



# **NEW COMBINE TO HEADER CONNECTION – CONCEPT FOR VERY WIDE PLATFORMS**

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- The Dresden Design Approach - fostering research by interdisciplinary innovation studies
- Focusing explicitly on mobile and stationary industrial goods
- From first concepts to working prototypes

# VENUM I OUTLINE

1 // Introducing crop-harvest

2 // Three innovation studies tackling major challenges

3 // The VENUM concept with foldable header

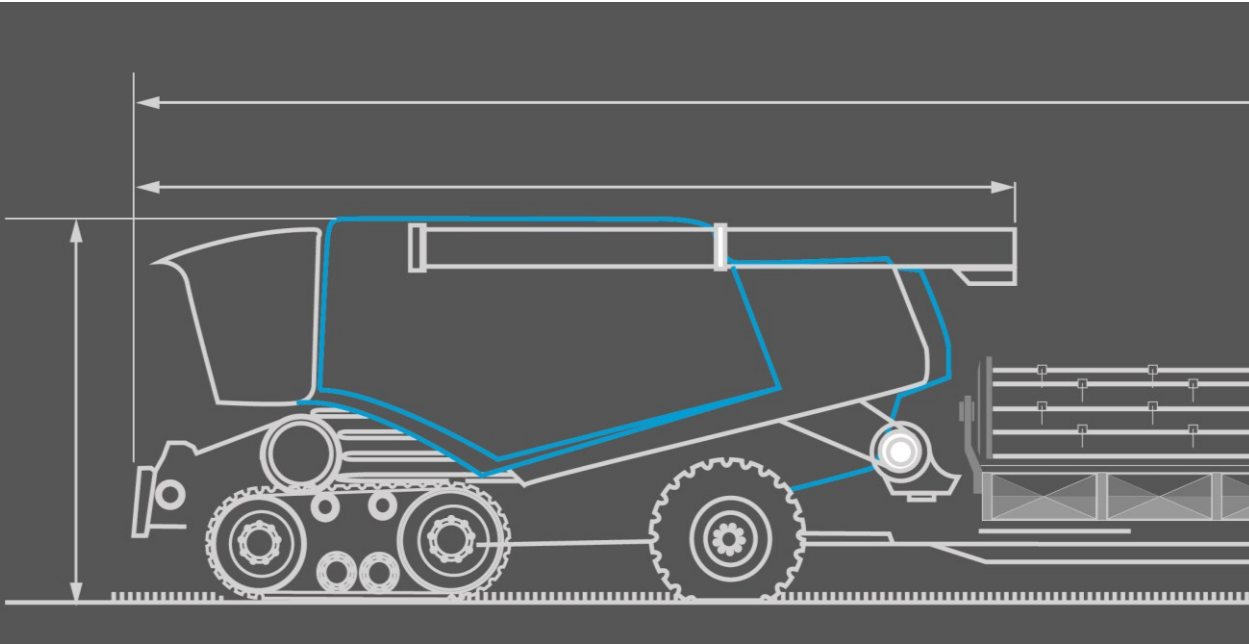
4 // Overall experience using a game engine, next research steps

# VENUM I COMBINE DEVELOPMENT



- Starting with two separated processes
- Developing into small and medium self propelled systems, ...

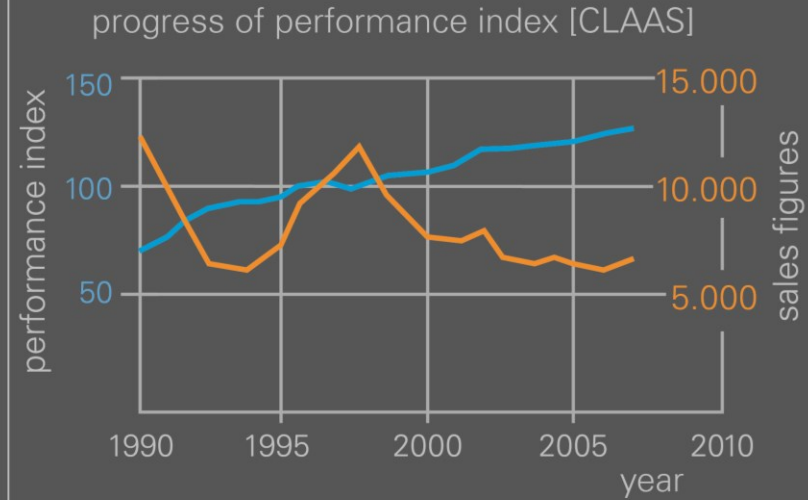
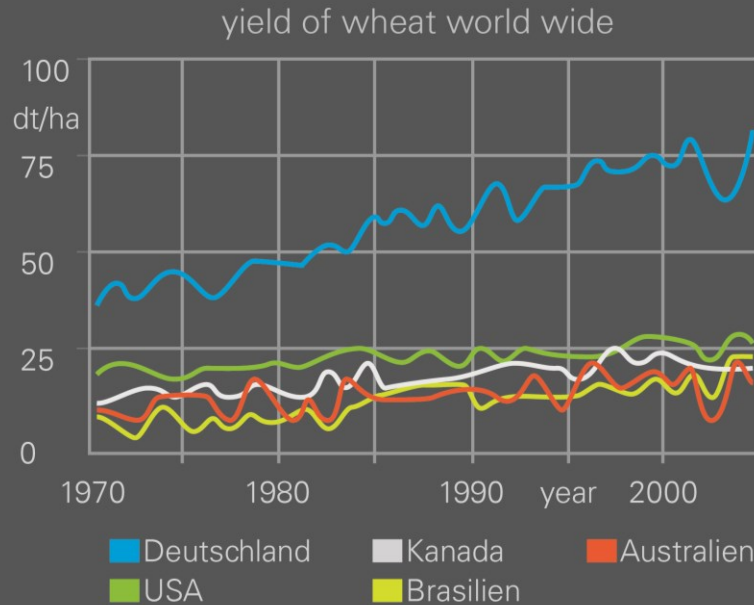
# VENUM I STATUS QUO - VERTEX



Quelle: Claas

- Max. 15 m / 18 m (with draper) headers with more than 20 m length over all
- Grain feed rate between 50 t/h – 100 t/h, 14,000 l grain tank
- More than 440 kW and up to 600,000 € invest

# VENUM I PROBLEMS



- Machines are at it's limits
- > increasing capacity by up scaling isn't the prior option anymore
- Efficiency problems especially with low yield fields
- Growing investment and time to ROI is necessary

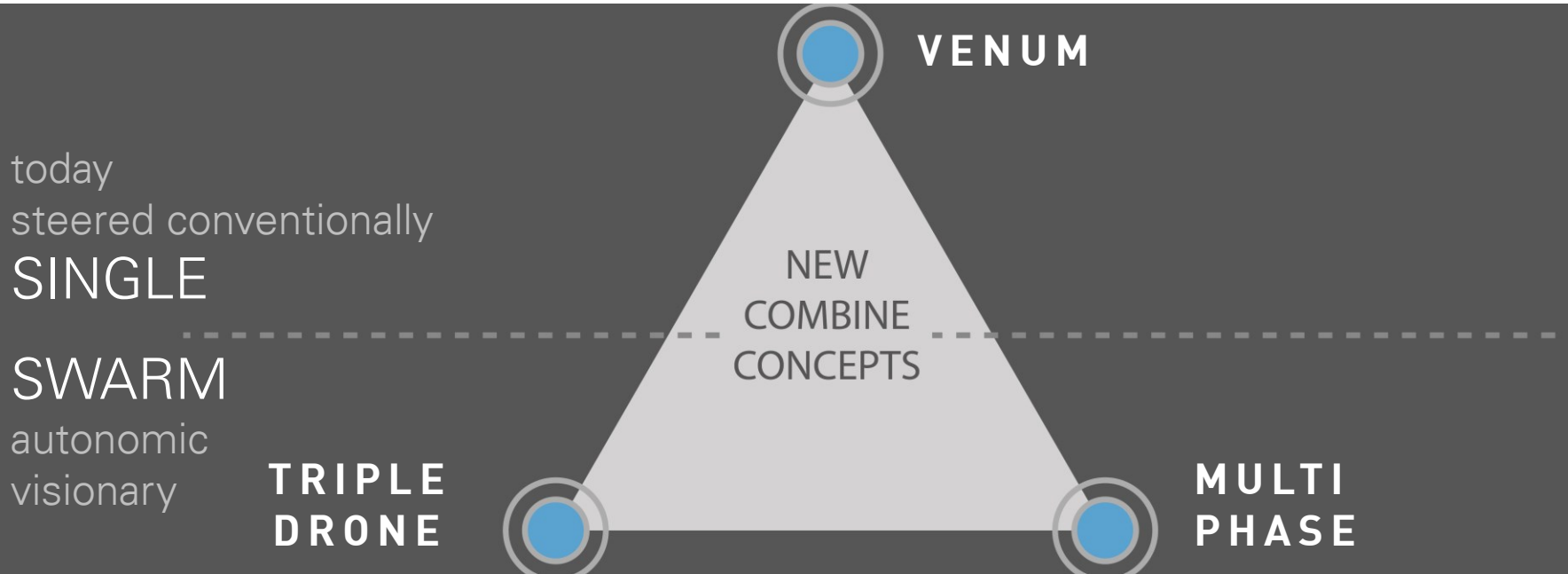
# VENUM I CHALLENGES

## INCREASING PERFORMANCE AND COST EFFICIENCY.

INCLUDING INVESTMENT AND RUNNING COST DESPITE  
GROWING PRICES FOR ENERGY, LABOUR, ...

- (1) Reducing soil compaction
- (2) Handle low yield fields
- (3) Match the European (and worldwide) traffic regulations

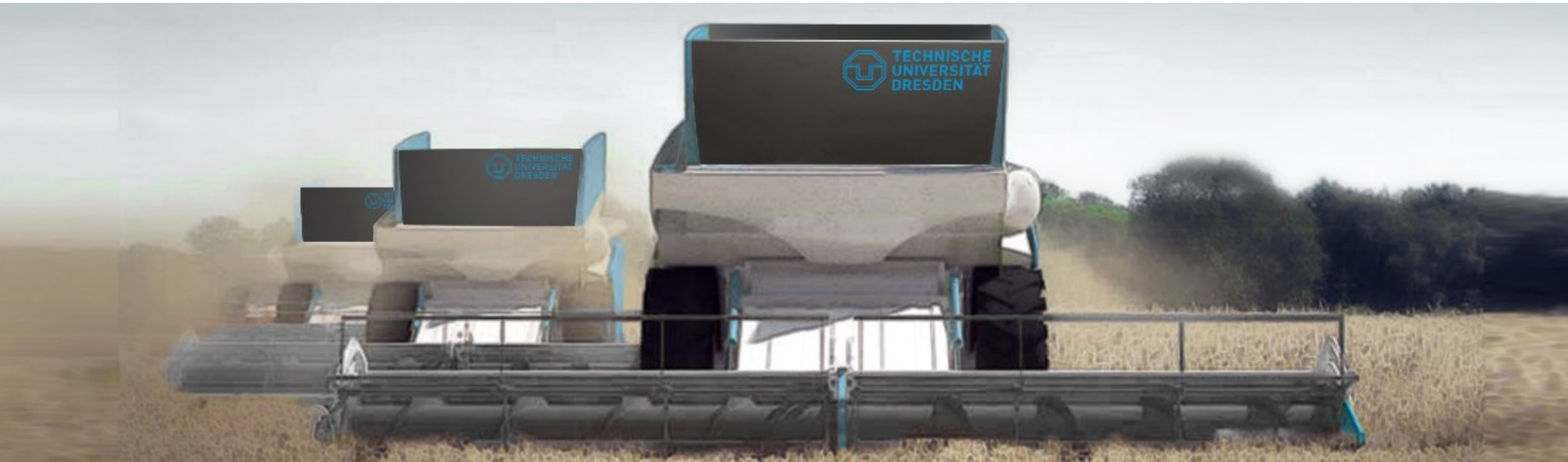
# VENUM I THREE POSSIBLE ANSWERS



- Three different approaches to tackle the enormous challenges
- Combining deep agricultural and engineering knowhow with industrial design tools and methods



# VENUM I TRIPLE DRONE



- Three joined drones sum up to a cutting width of 18 m reducing soil compaction by more than 50 % simultaneously
- Grain feed rate between 50 t/h - 100 t/h, more than 20,000 l grain tank in total
- more than three times 200 kW with less than 7.5 t per single drone

# VENUM I MULTI PHASE HARVESTING



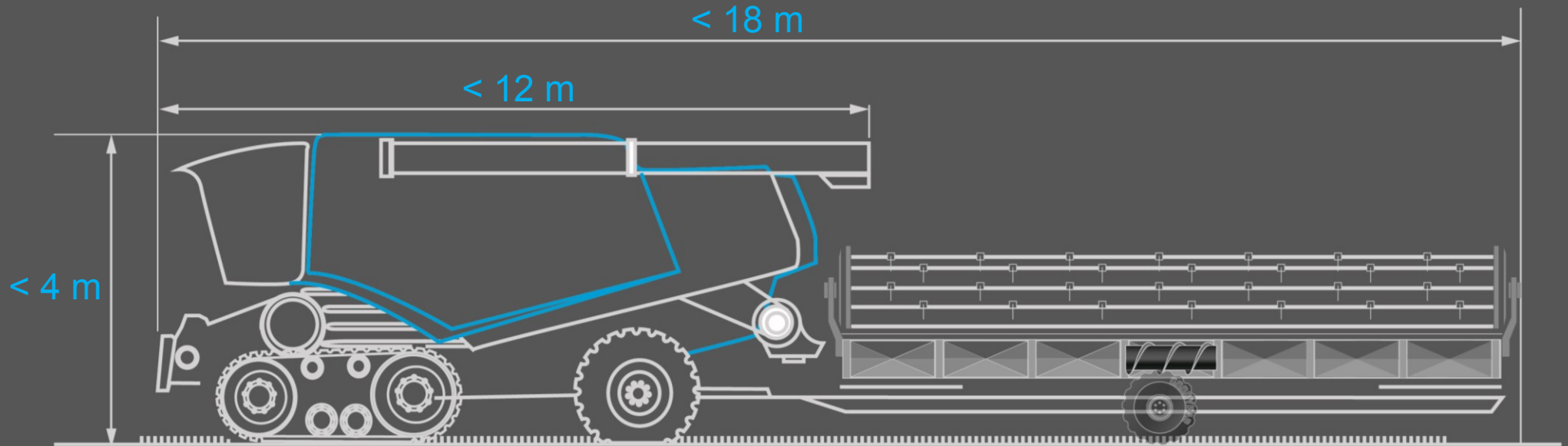
- Three separated mobile units for cutting, one stationary threshing unit
- 36 m cutting width for 100% more volume and mass, leading to a grain feed rate between 50 t/h – 100 t/h even on low yield fields
- 30% more efficiency through continuously threshing by reduced grain loss

# VENUM I HIGH END BUT FULLY FEASIBLE



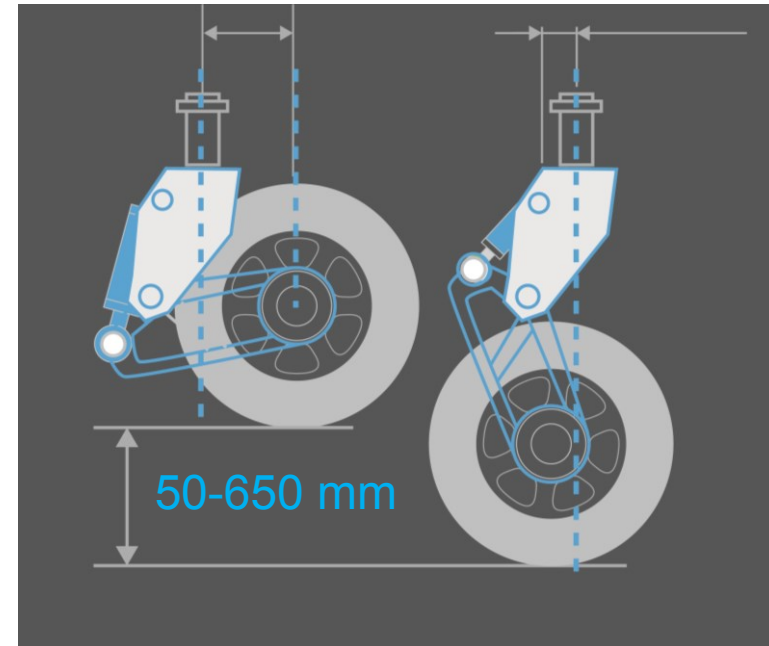
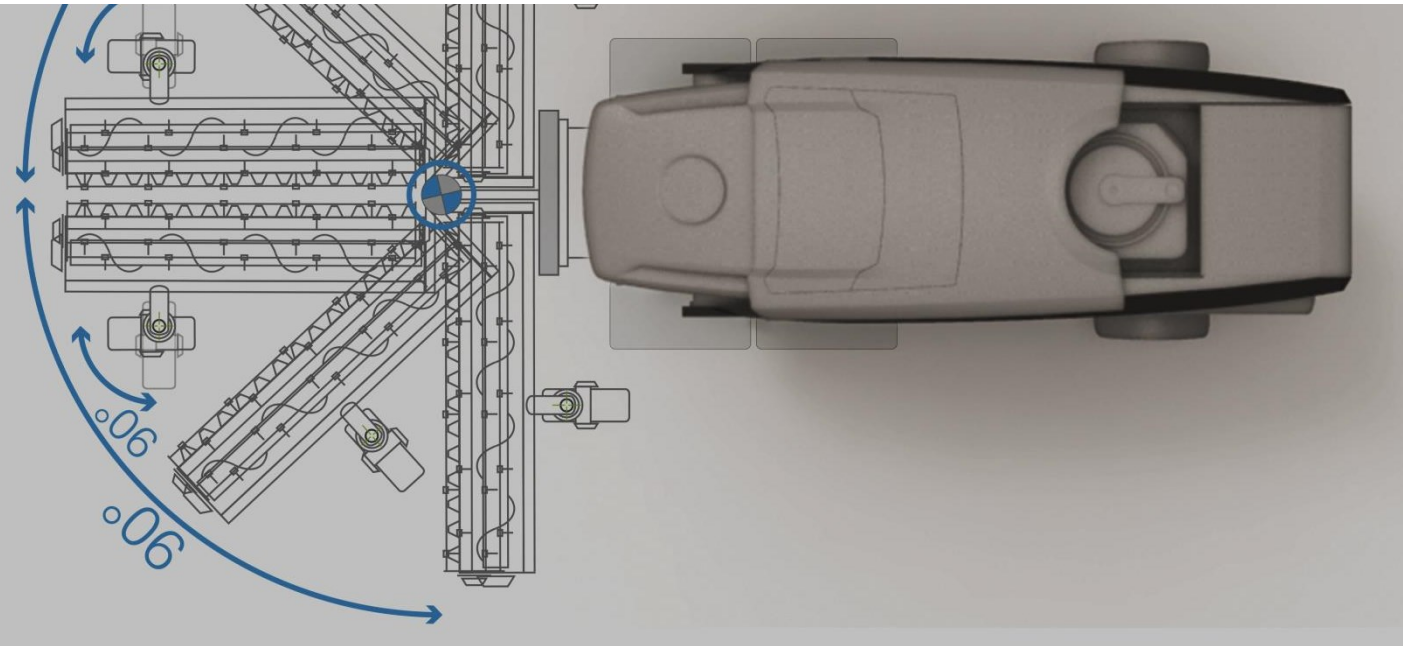
- Inside world wide regulations on field and! road
- Grain feed rate between 50 t/h – 100 t/h with a 14,000 l grain tank
- Efficiency fostered by extra 10% through speeding set up times by the integrated header trailer and the two cabin layout

# VENUM I TIGHT REQUIREMENTS



- Even so it's the most feasible one it's by far the most difficult concept
- Small zone for innovation and a quite complex system of components
- Requires a sophisticated and fully integrated design

# VENUM I FOLDABLE HEADER



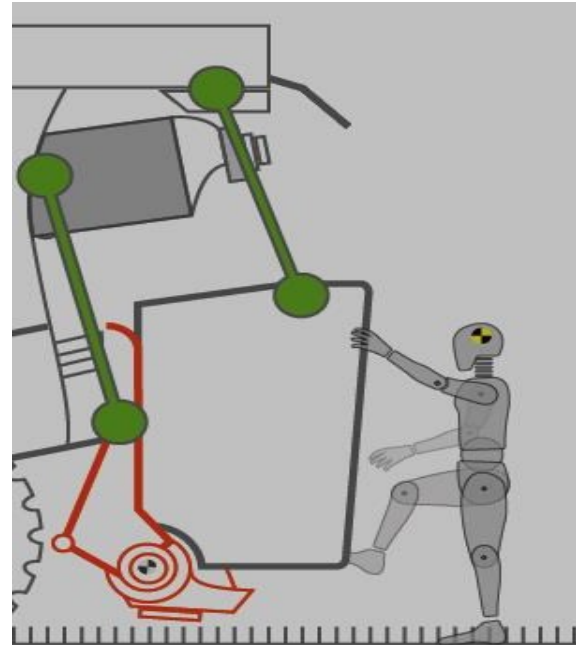
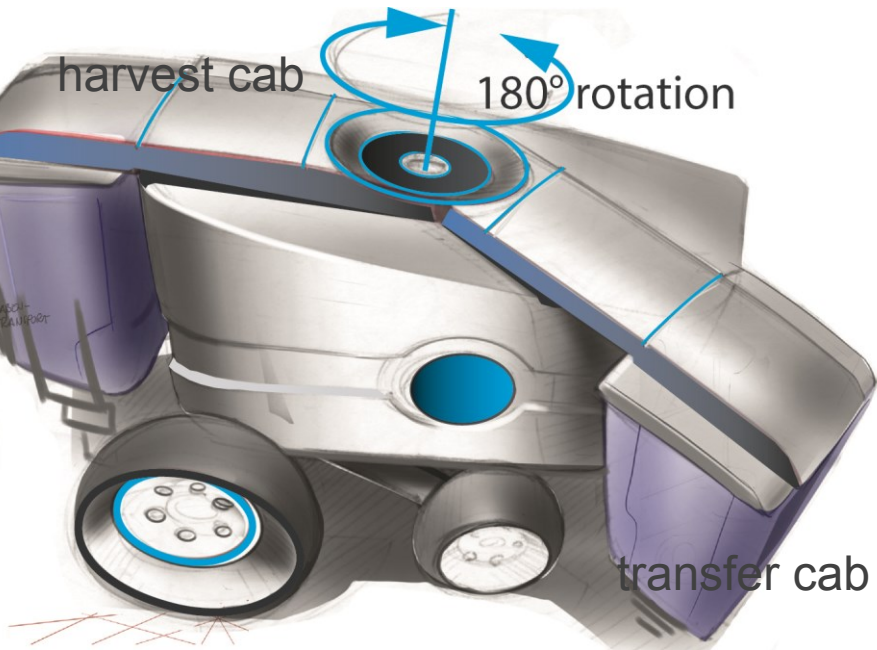
- 17.6 m wide foldable header
- Integrated header trailer leading to only 9.2 m transport length
- Separate height adjustable chassis overcompensate the extra weight

# VENUM I GROUND CONTOURING SYSTEM



- Suitable for rough grounds
- Closer to intended cutting height
- Contour system leads to reduced crop loss

# VENUM I EARLY CAB CONCEPTS



- Moving the cabin instead of moving the header
- Many possible options were sketched and proofed
- The result: two separate cabs instead of one moving cabin

# VENUM I TWO DIFFERENT CABS



- Two perfectly equipped cabins for two different purposes
- Transfer cab fulfils the StVZO steering requirement with wheel on the road
- Steering by joystick while harvesting on the field

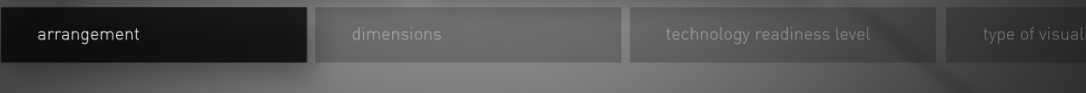
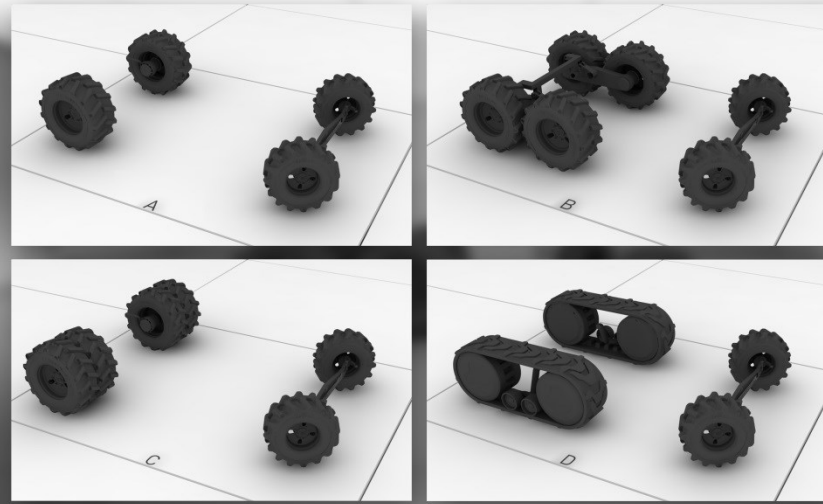
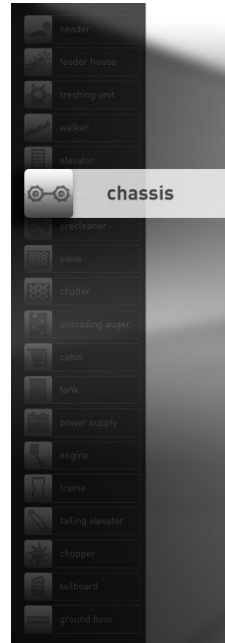
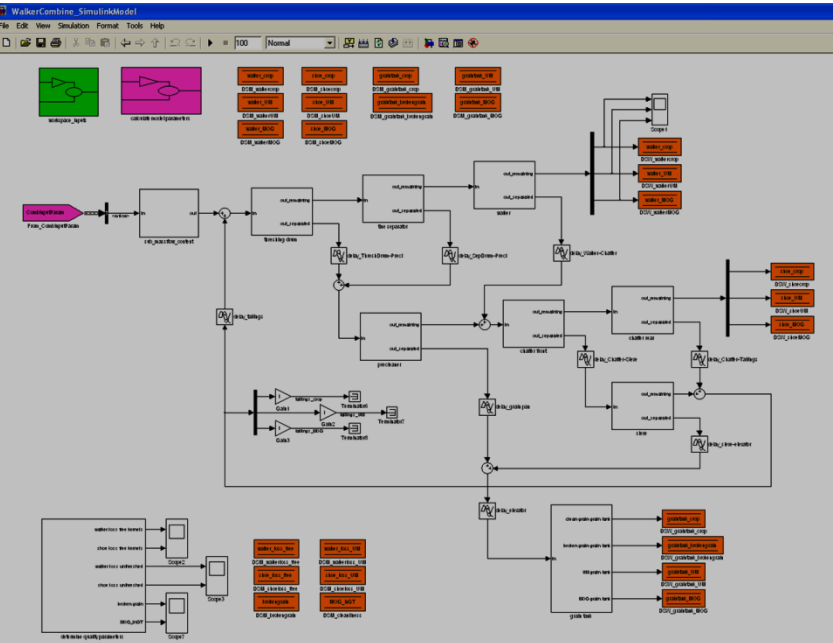


# VENUM I VENUM SYSTEM IN MOTION



- Using the FARMING SIMULATOR 2013 for dynamic real time animation
- A chance to evaluate the interaction with combine and environment through the help of more than 1 Mio. possible test drivers
- Support official mod download is planned for early 2014

# VENUM I NEXT RESEARCH STEPS



- Complex simulation of different system configurations to clarify the overall performance and costs
- Visualization and configuration tool for different machine concepts to support platform strategies and reduce uncertainty in early development stages

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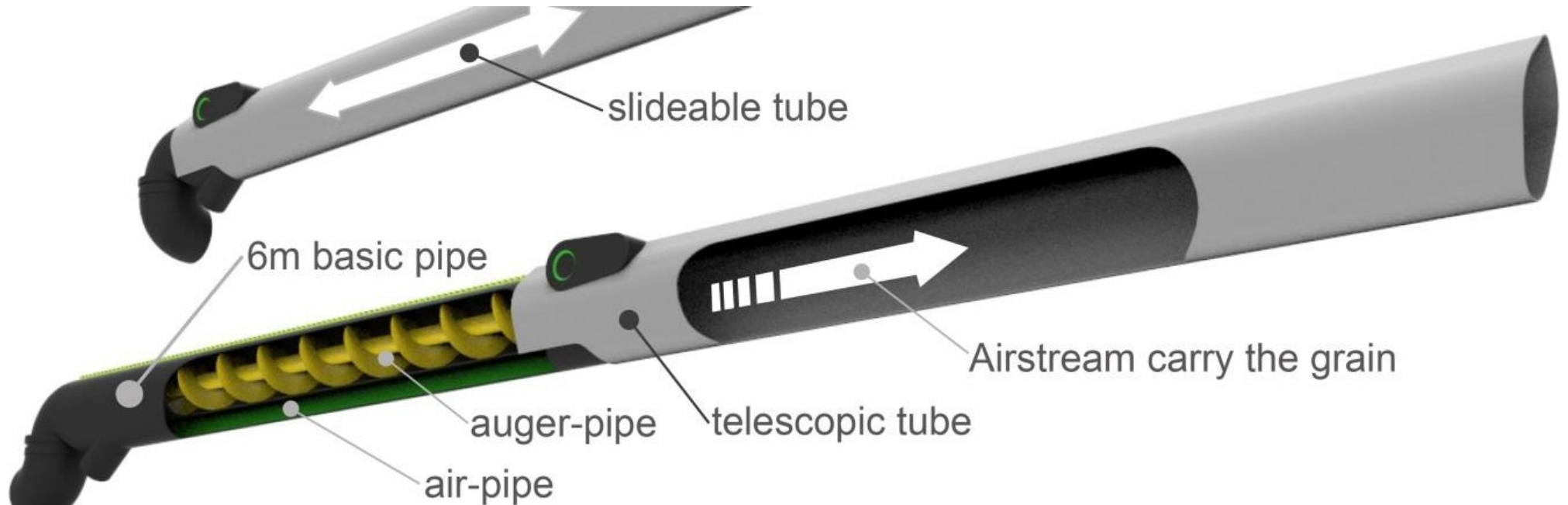
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# VENUM I EXPANDABLE UNLOADING AUGER



- 11 m length on the field without additional length during transport on the road
- 6 m moved with auger, the last 5 m supported by compressed air and auger generated pressure