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**Abstract**

A modern perspective on the design of mechatronic systems is grounded in the revised VDI/VDE 2206:2021 guideline, which updates earlier practices to better address today's cyber-physical and strongly interconnected environments. In contrast to previous versions, that concentrated primarily on cross-disciplinary conceptual design, the 2021 update introduces an enriched V-model structure specifically adapted for both mechatronic and cyber-physical system development, supporting the process from requirements definition through validation and system integration in a coherent and structured manner. This revised approach highlights the importance of interdisciplinary cooperation and encourages a flexible interpretation of the V-model depending on the context of each project, rather than enforcing fixed tools or rigid workflows. Instead, it offers a conceptual backbone that enables engineers to shape tailored design methodologies suited to practical applications, promoting consistency across mechanical, electrical, and software domains without imposing a predefined organizational scheme.