

Annotation in design and product engineering: an introduction to the special issue

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Abstract

The annotation of a document involves the embedding of data such as a textual note, a symbol or structured data in an original document at a specific location (Ovsiannikov et al. 1999). For centuries, people have used annotations in paper documents and drawings in the course of their work—for example, an author of a document may use annotation to assist in the development and refinement of the text of the document; other readers may use annotation to assist in recall, to indicate corrections or for the purposes of comment, assessment and review. Annotations have been applied to a wide variety of document types including books, reports, papers and transcripts, engineering drawings and diagrams, photographs and other images, and in this way have been widely used in product development.

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