

# *Function-driven Design with Topology Optimization*

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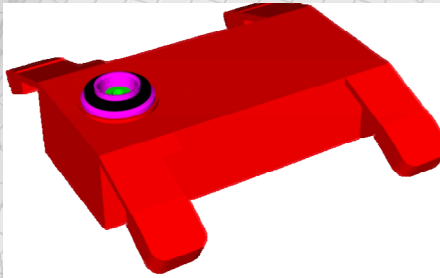
# Inversion of Design

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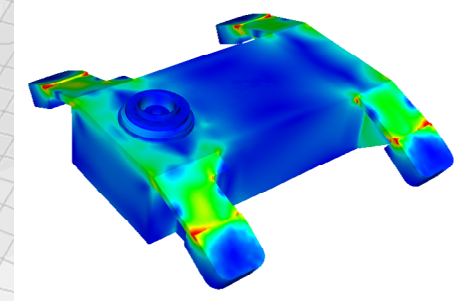
Specify Form



Design



Verify Function Using  
FEA

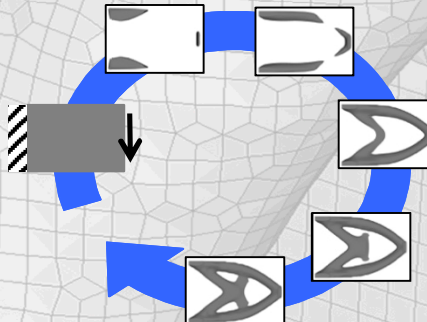


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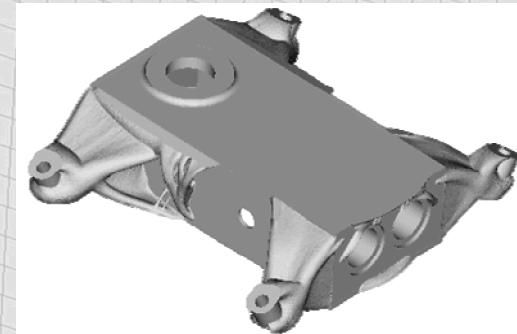
Specify Design Domain  
and Function



Use Topology Optimization (FEA) to  
Determine Form that Meets Function

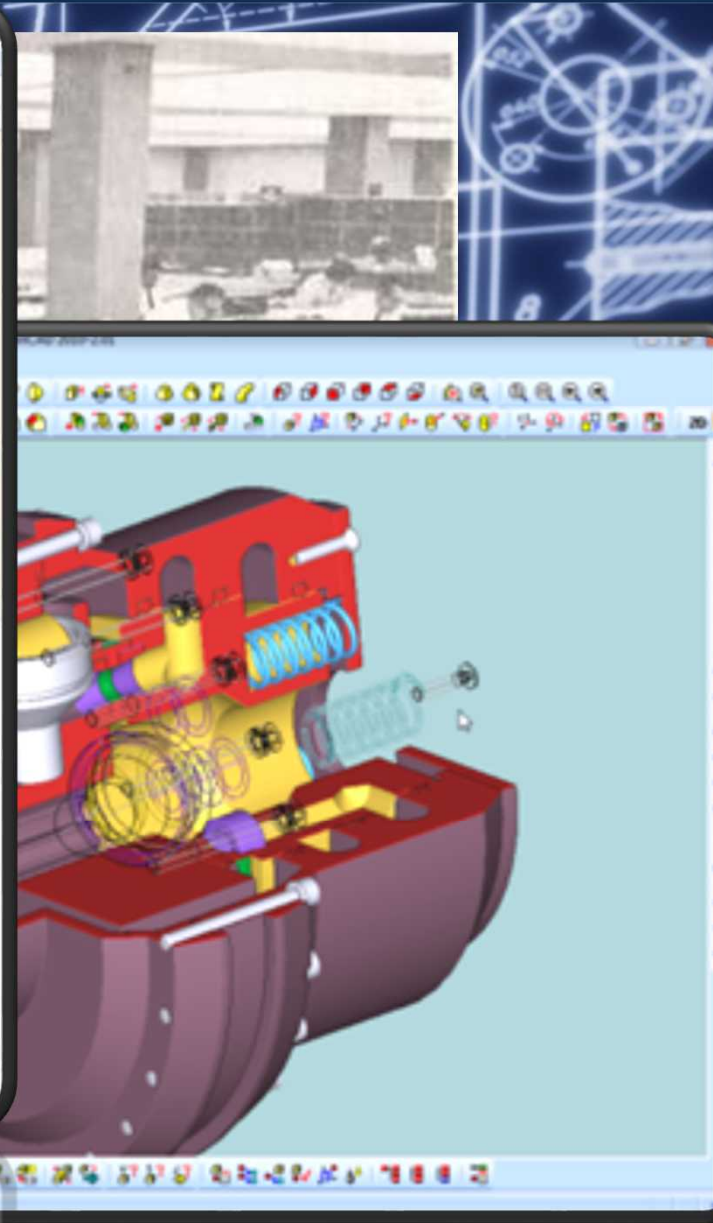
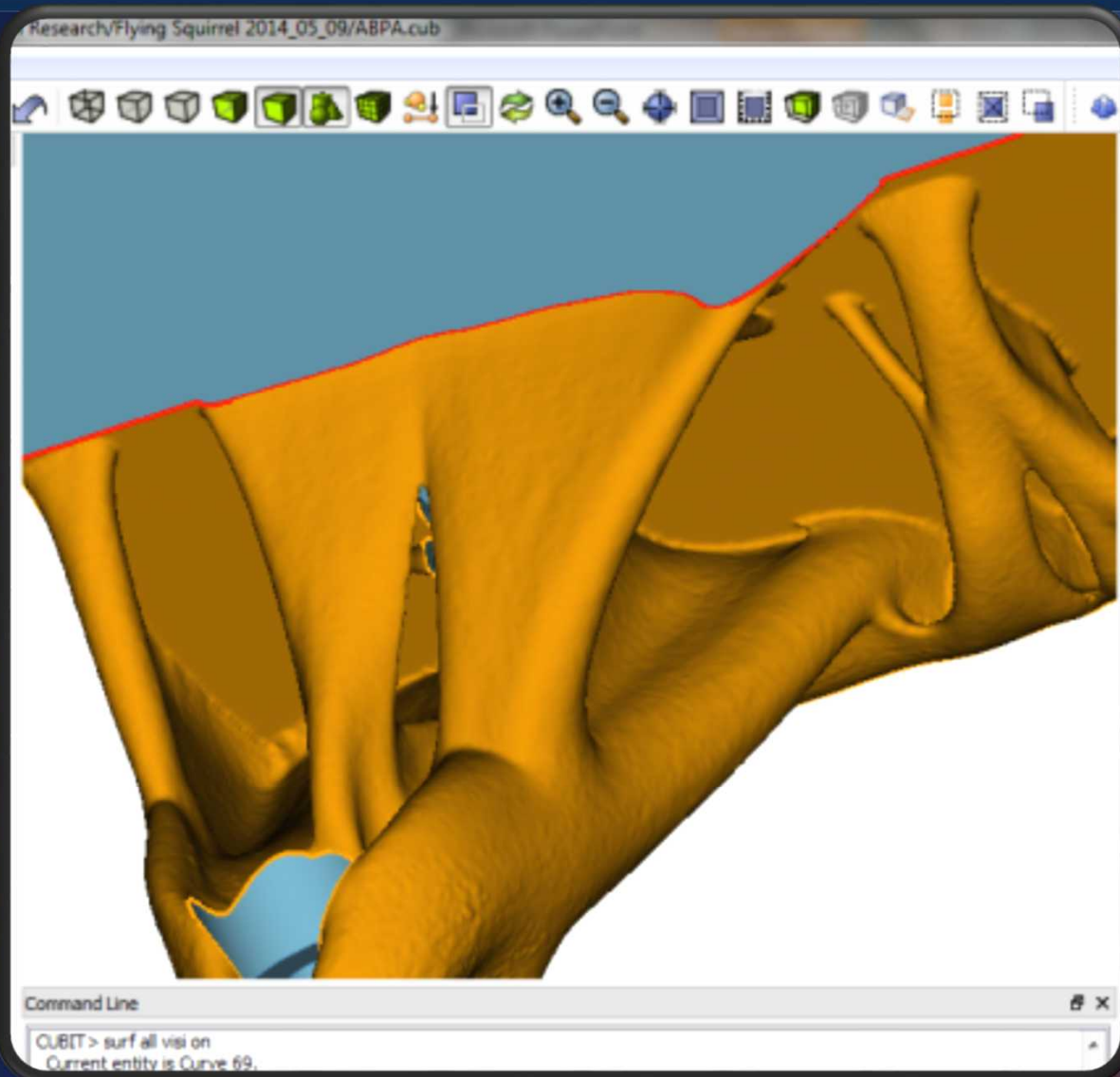


Optimized  
Design (Form)



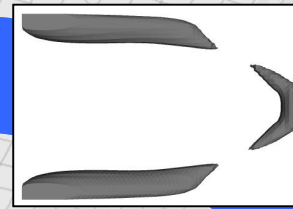
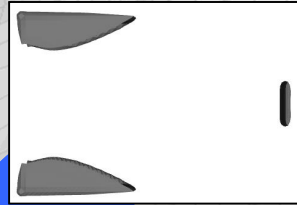
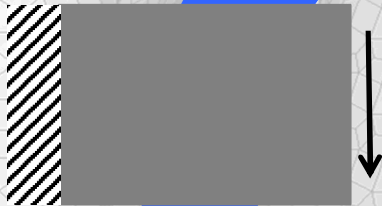


# A Design Revolution

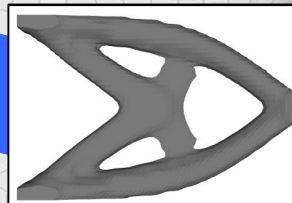
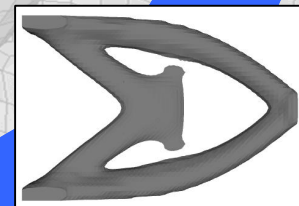
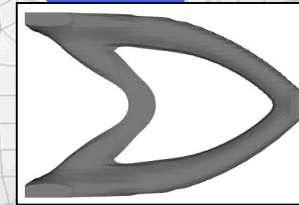


# Topology Optimization

Specify design domain  
and functional requirements.

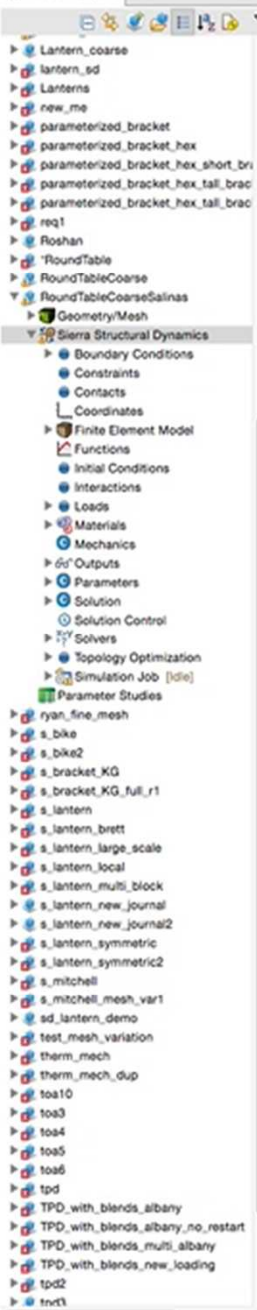


Iteratively solve physics  
simulations to determine  
optimal distribution of  
material.



The result is a design  
optimized for the  
functional requirements





RoundTableCoarseSalinas on skybrid

**Basic**

Code: Salinas

**Job Attrs**

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Job Stage: Sub

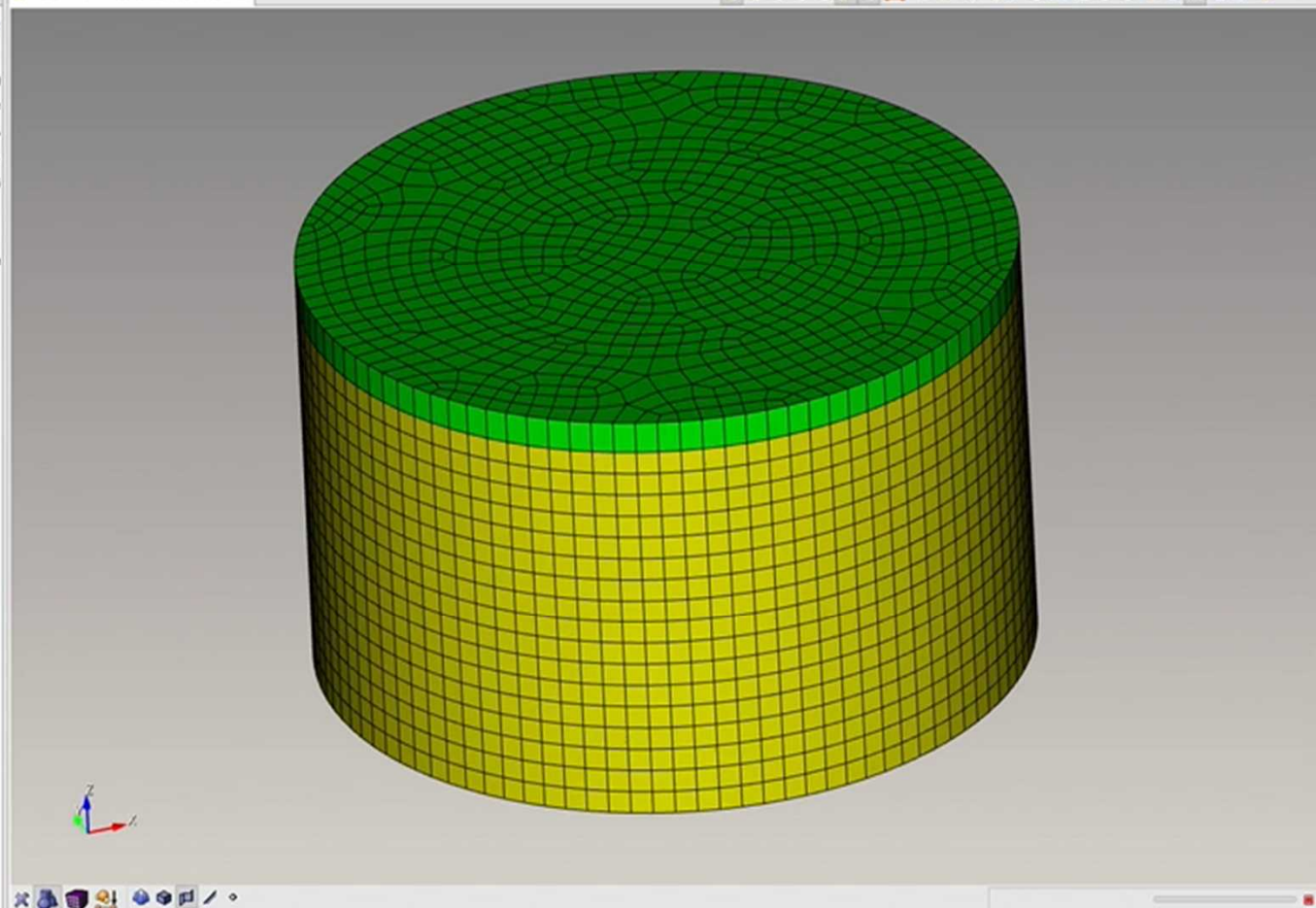
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RoundTableCoarseSalinas.i

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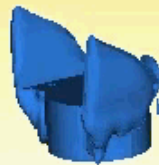
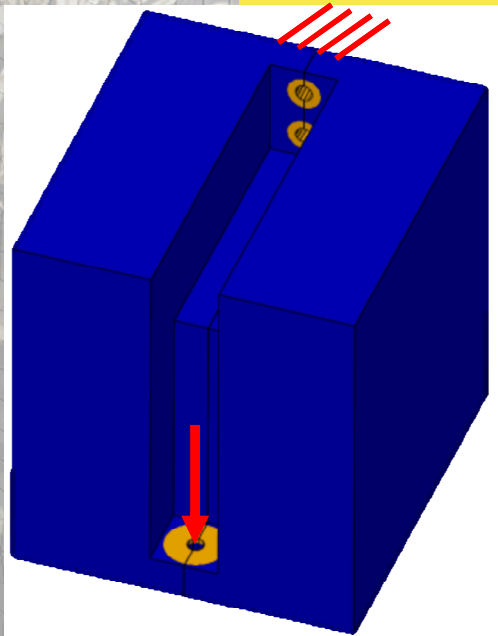
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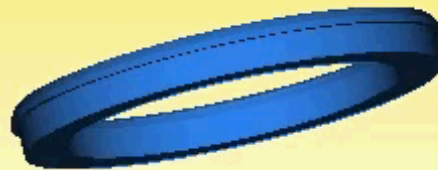
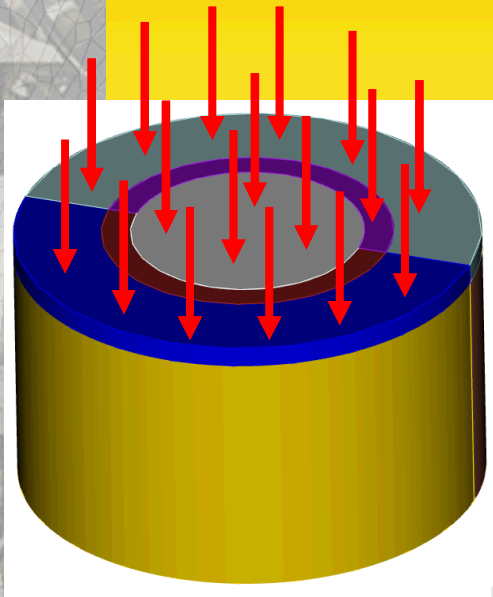
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# Examples





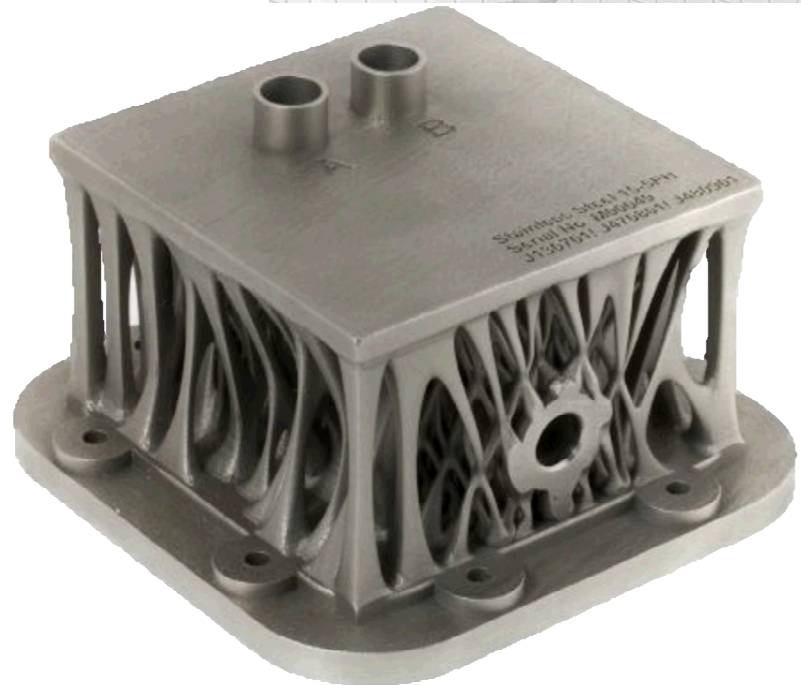
# Examples



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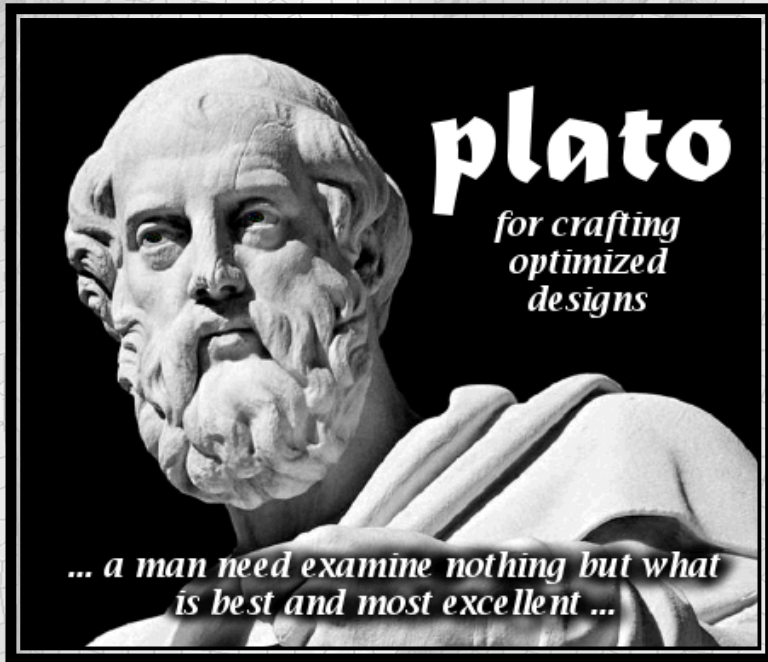


- Topology Optimization is not new
- Advancements in Additive Manufacturing technologies are making it possible to manufacture topologically optimized designs (in metals).





# Plato



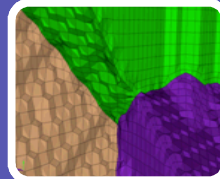
## Topology Optimization

- PLATO



## Physics Solvers

- SIERRA / ALBANY / ...



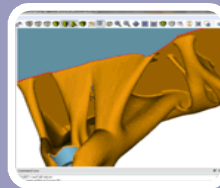
## Meshing and Geometry

- CUBIT / ACIS / KCM



## Optimization and UQ

- DAKOTA / ROL



## Design Environment

- SAW

# What are the challenges?

## Challenges

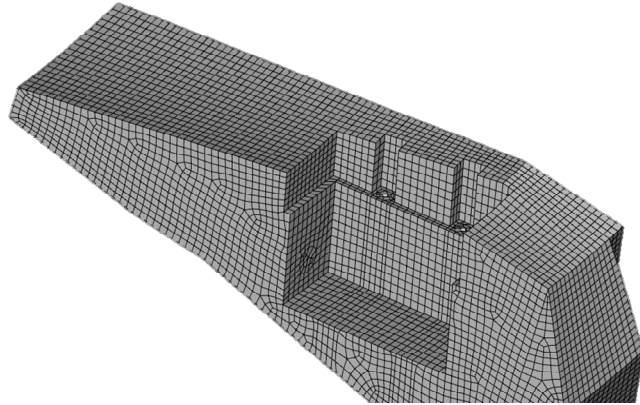
1. Incorporating more challenging physics
2. Interfacing with multiple physics codes
3. Designing with lattices
4. Designing to avoid support material
5. Delivering topology optimization in a usable tool
6. Getting topologically optimized designs back into a traditional workflow
7. Robust vs. optimized designs—taking into account uncertainty in loads and materials
8. Model representations in CAD, analysis, and synthesis

## What we are doing...

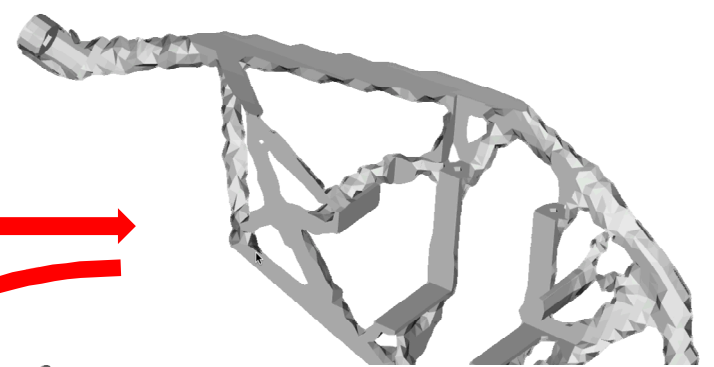
1. Stress minimization, modal analysis, CG constraint
2. Plato “engine” architecture, multi-physics problems
3. Homogenization and conformal lattice insertion
4. <Future>
5. HPC-enabled interactive design environment, prune/refine work
6. STL->CAD conversion
7. Forays into load uncertainty-enabled topology optimization
8. Volumetric-based geometry representations using level-sets



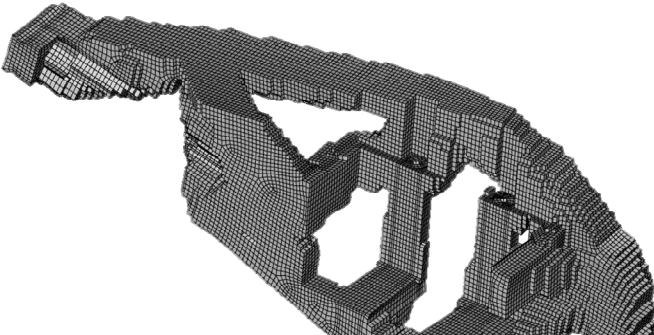
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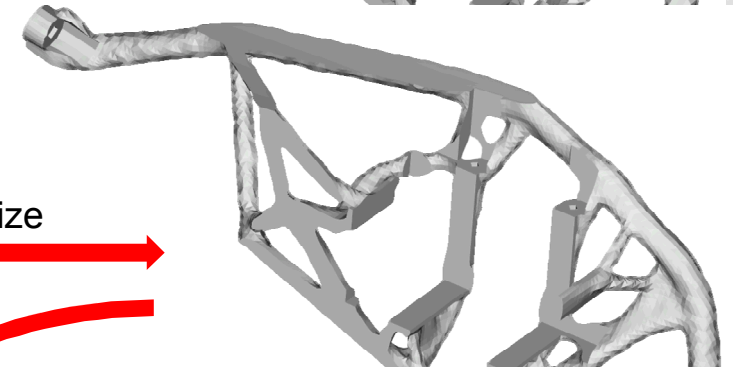
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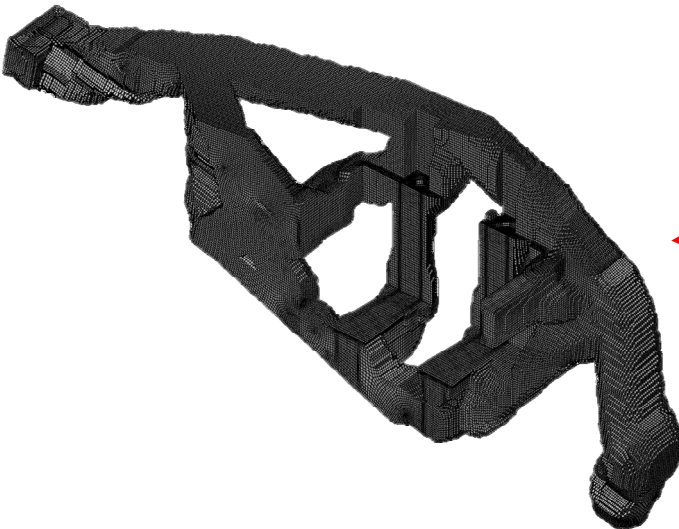
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refine mesh



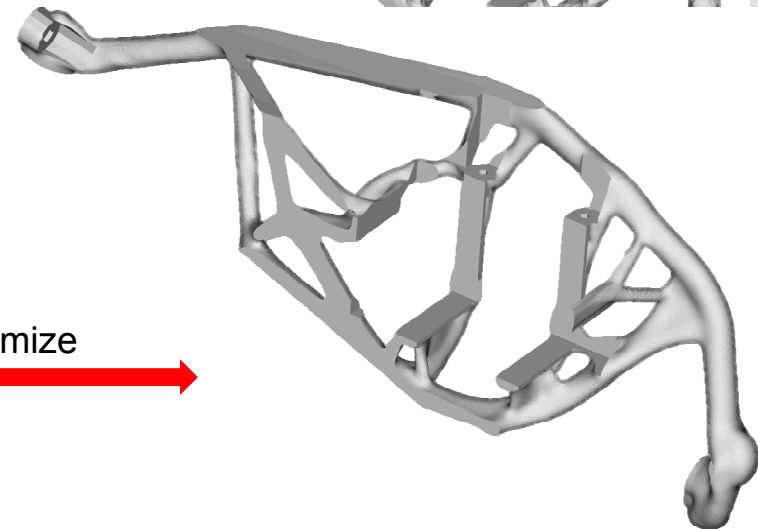
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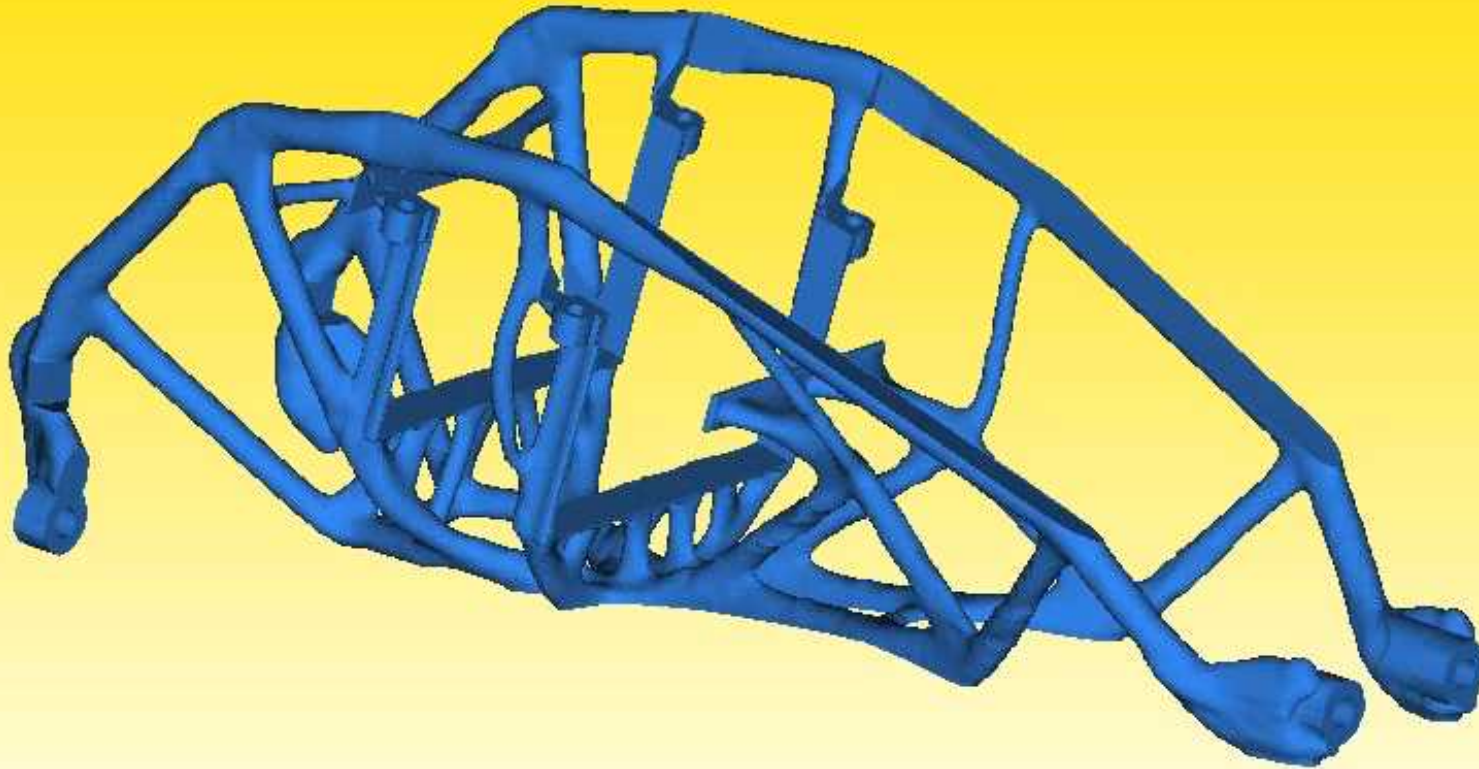
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5. Optimize



# Full Bracket





# Conversion to Geometric CAD



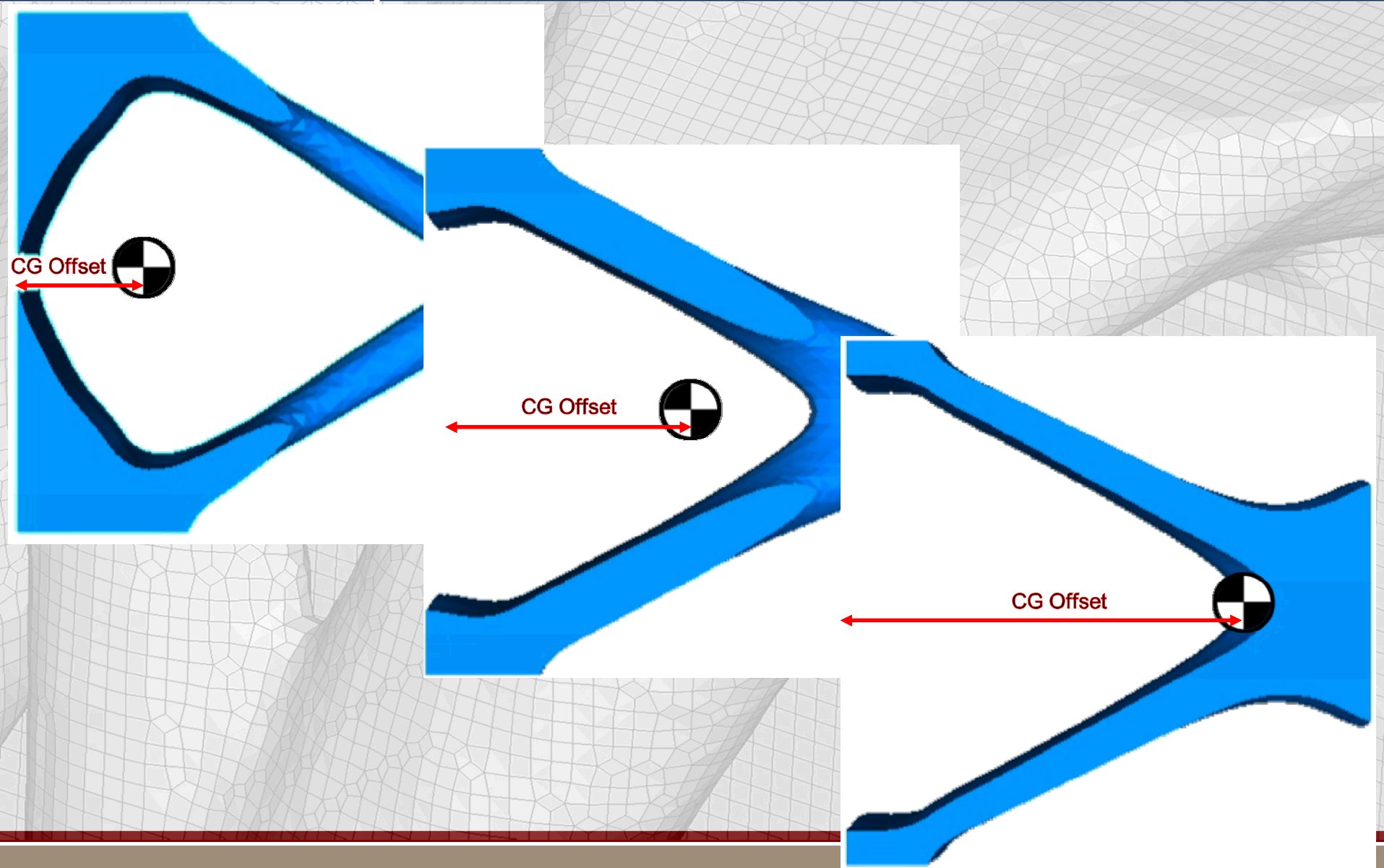


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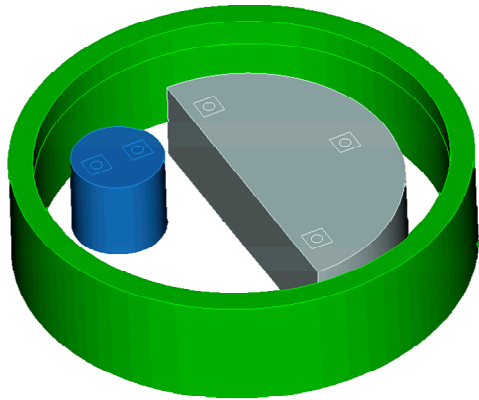


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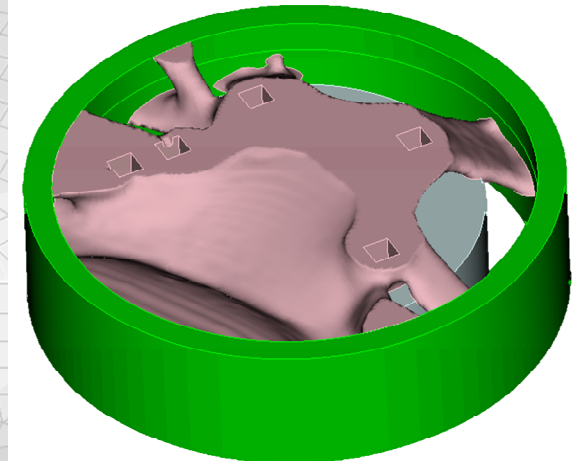
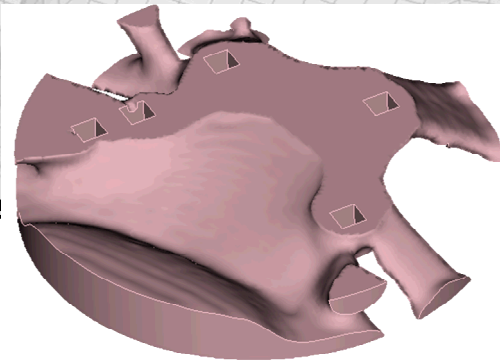
## Min Compliance with fixed CG Location



# Center of Gravity Constraint

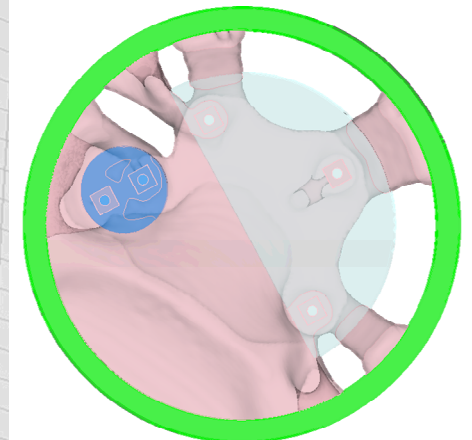
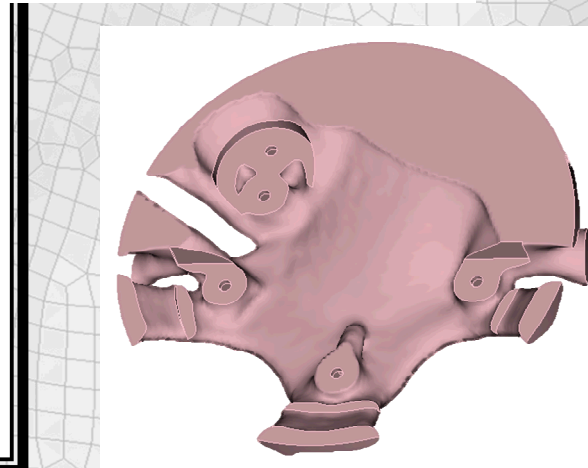


**Goal:** Design a bracket to secure the components and also move the center of gravity to the desired location



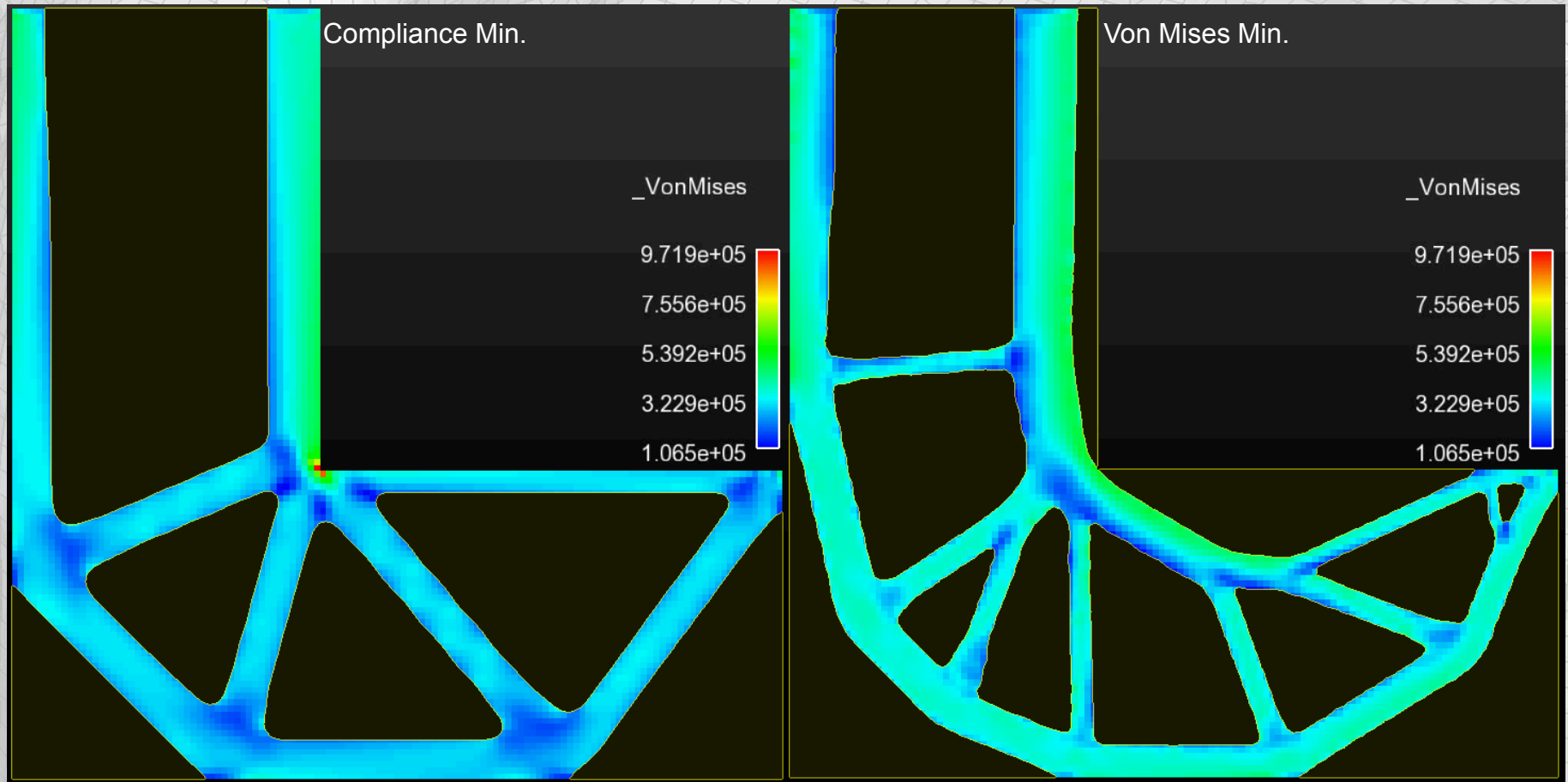
Center of gravity of 3 components

Desired center of gravity of whole system

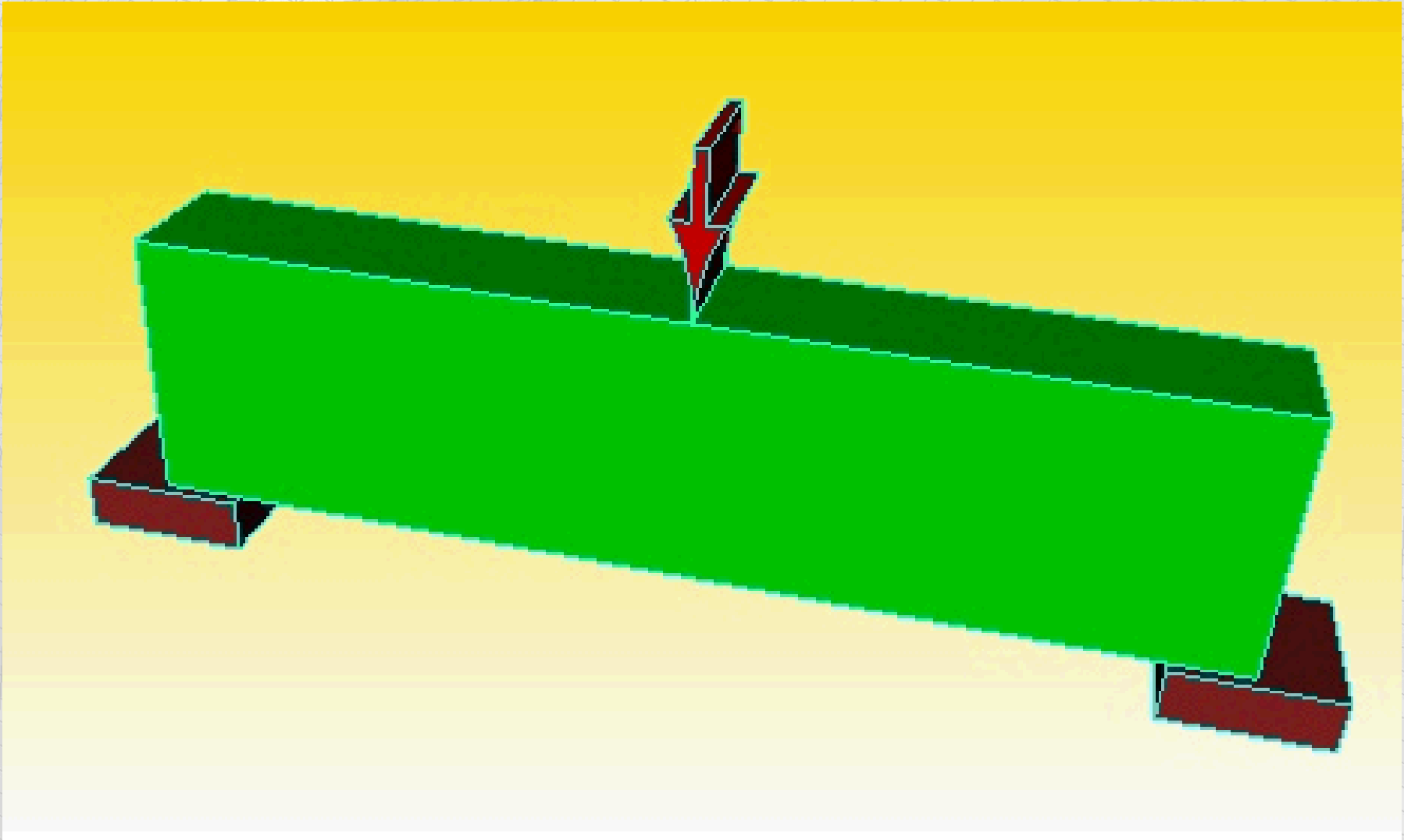




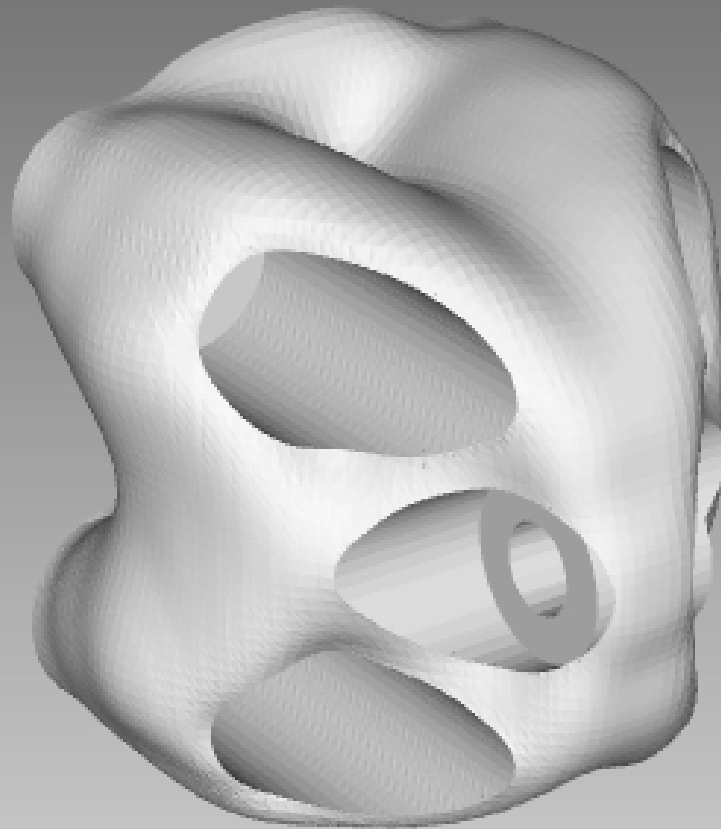
# Stress Minimization



# N-Material Optimizations

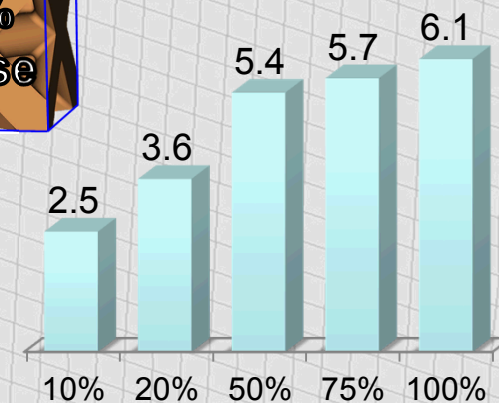
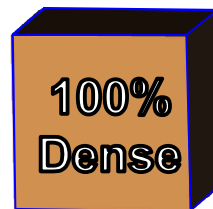
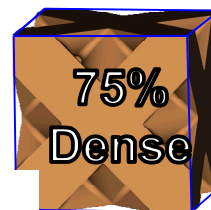
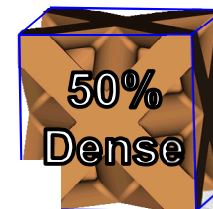
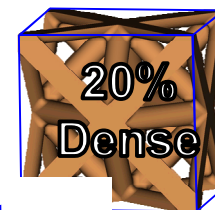
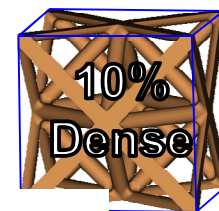
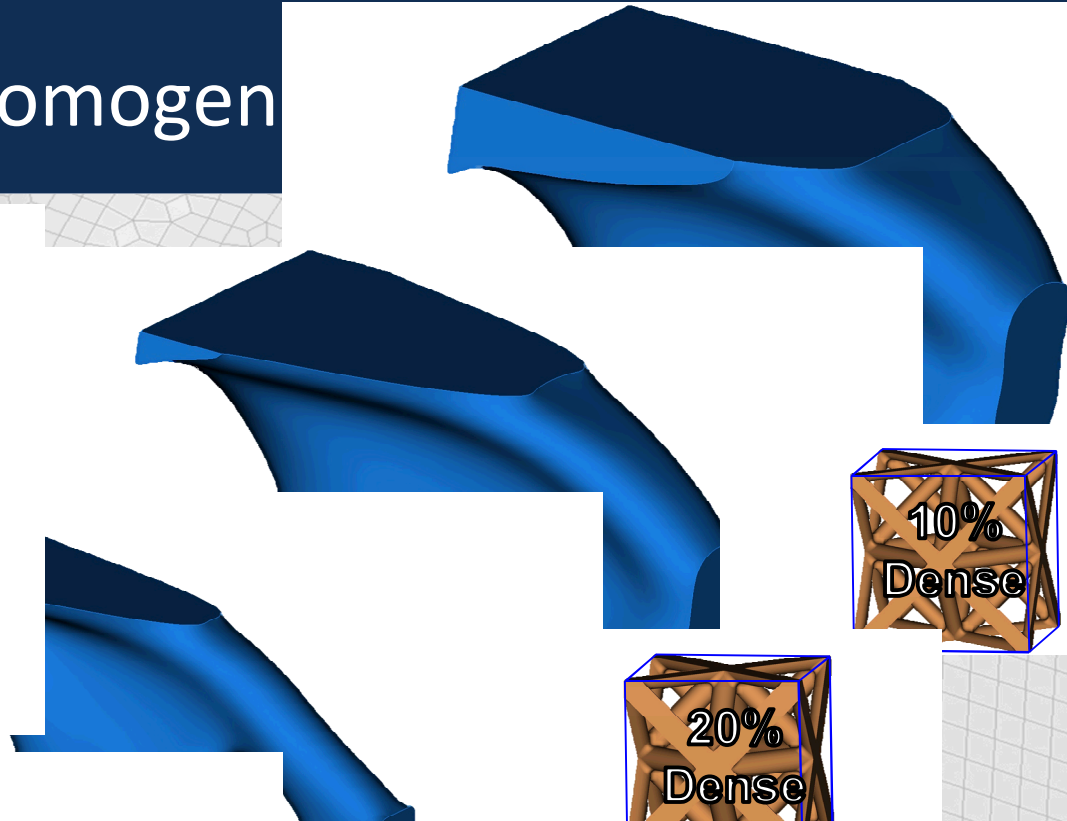
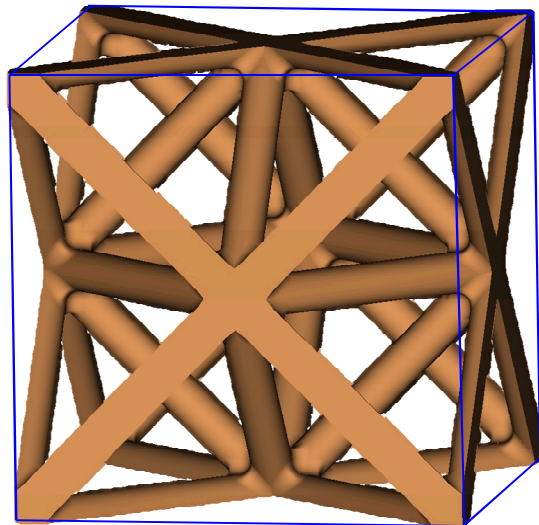


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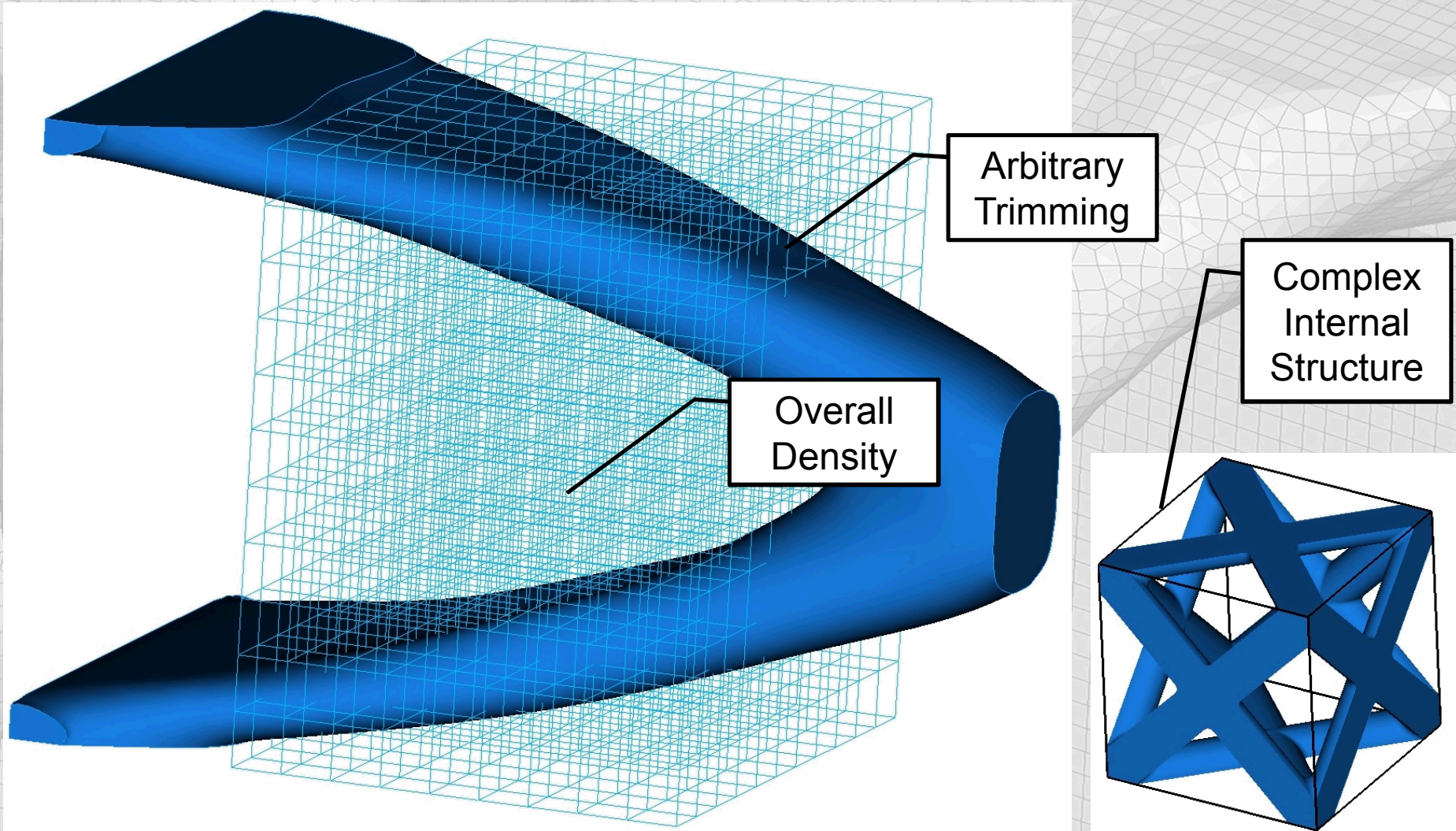




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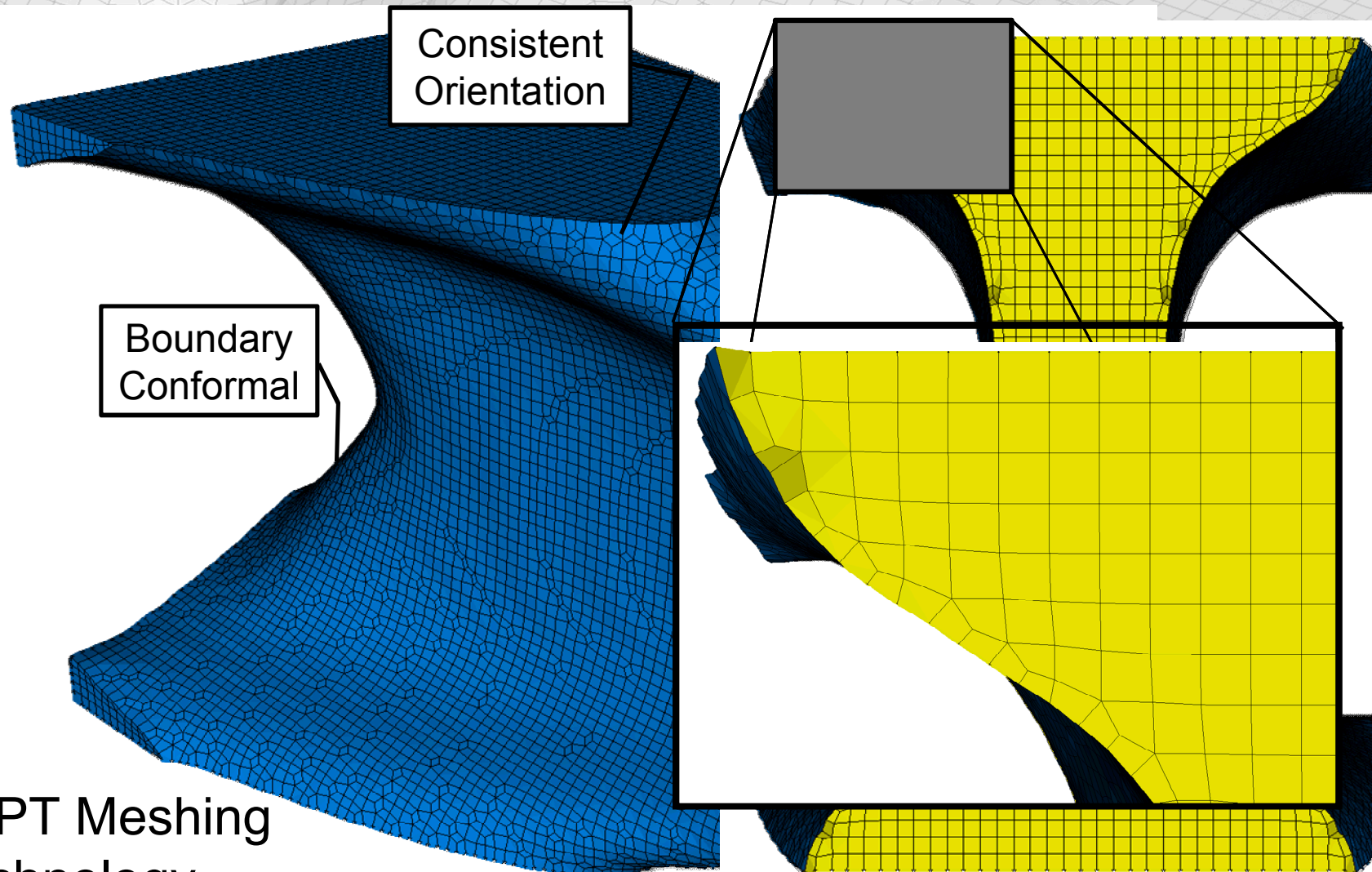


# Careful Crafting: Feasible Lattice Printing





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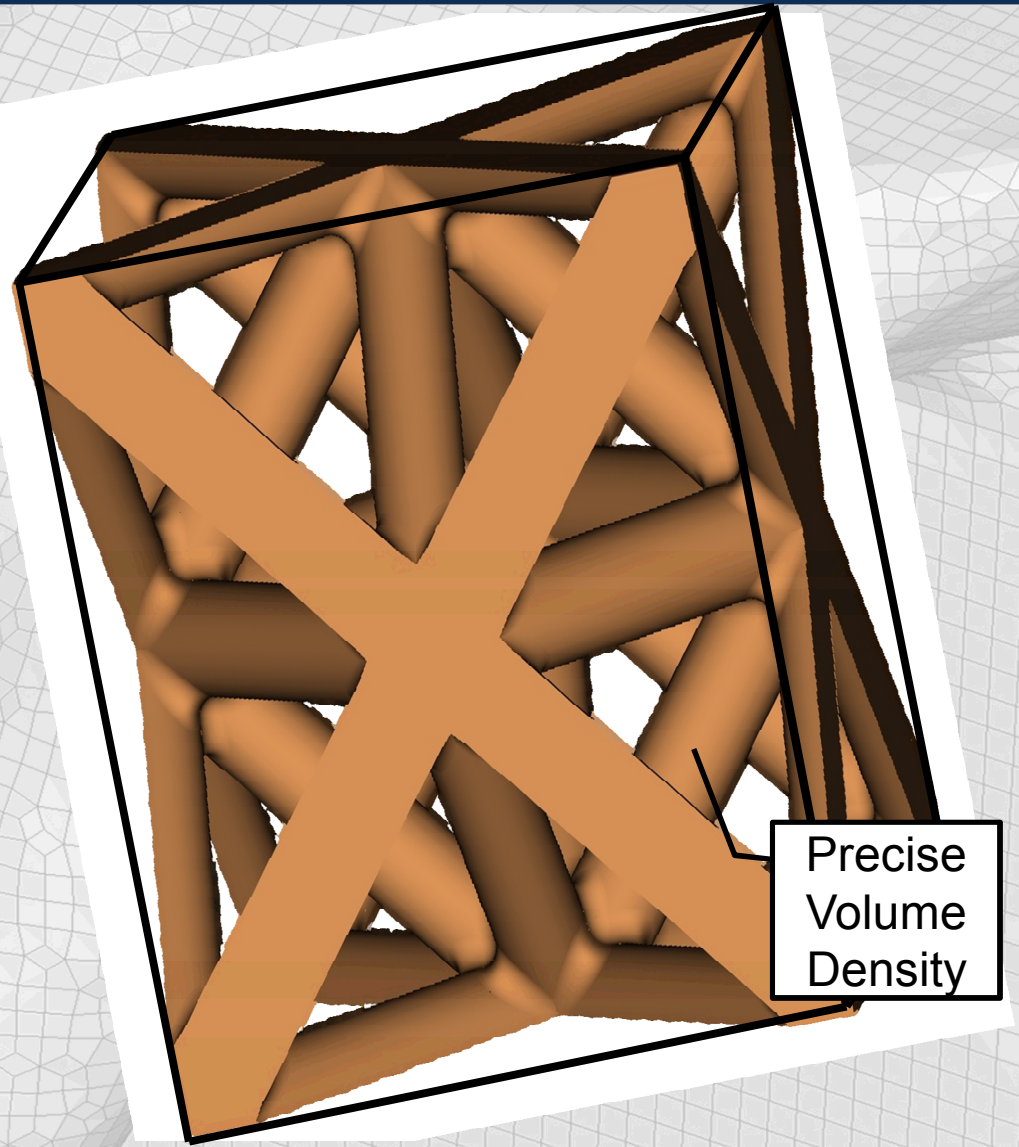
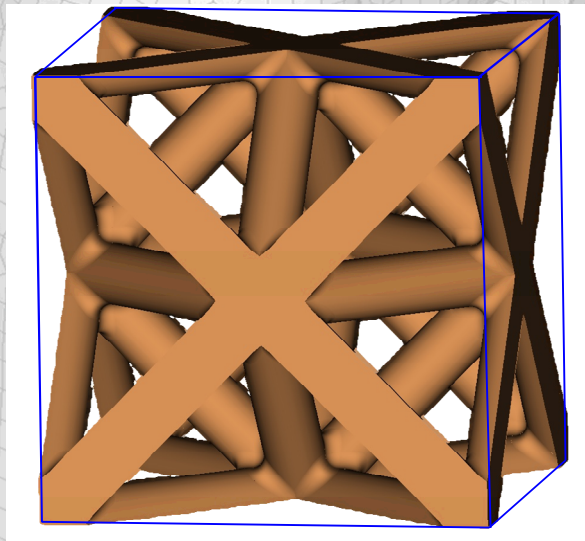


SCULPT Meshing  
Technology



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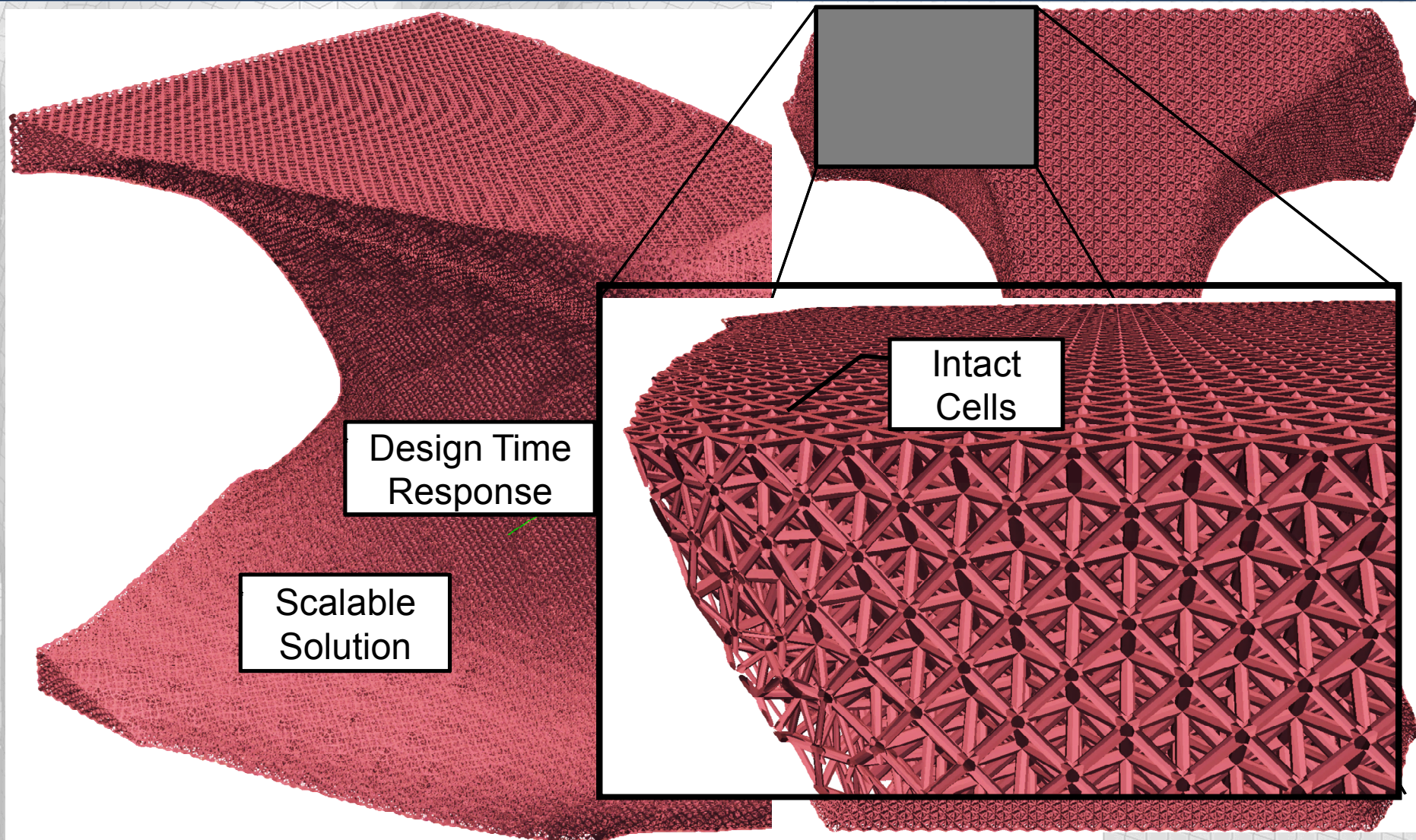
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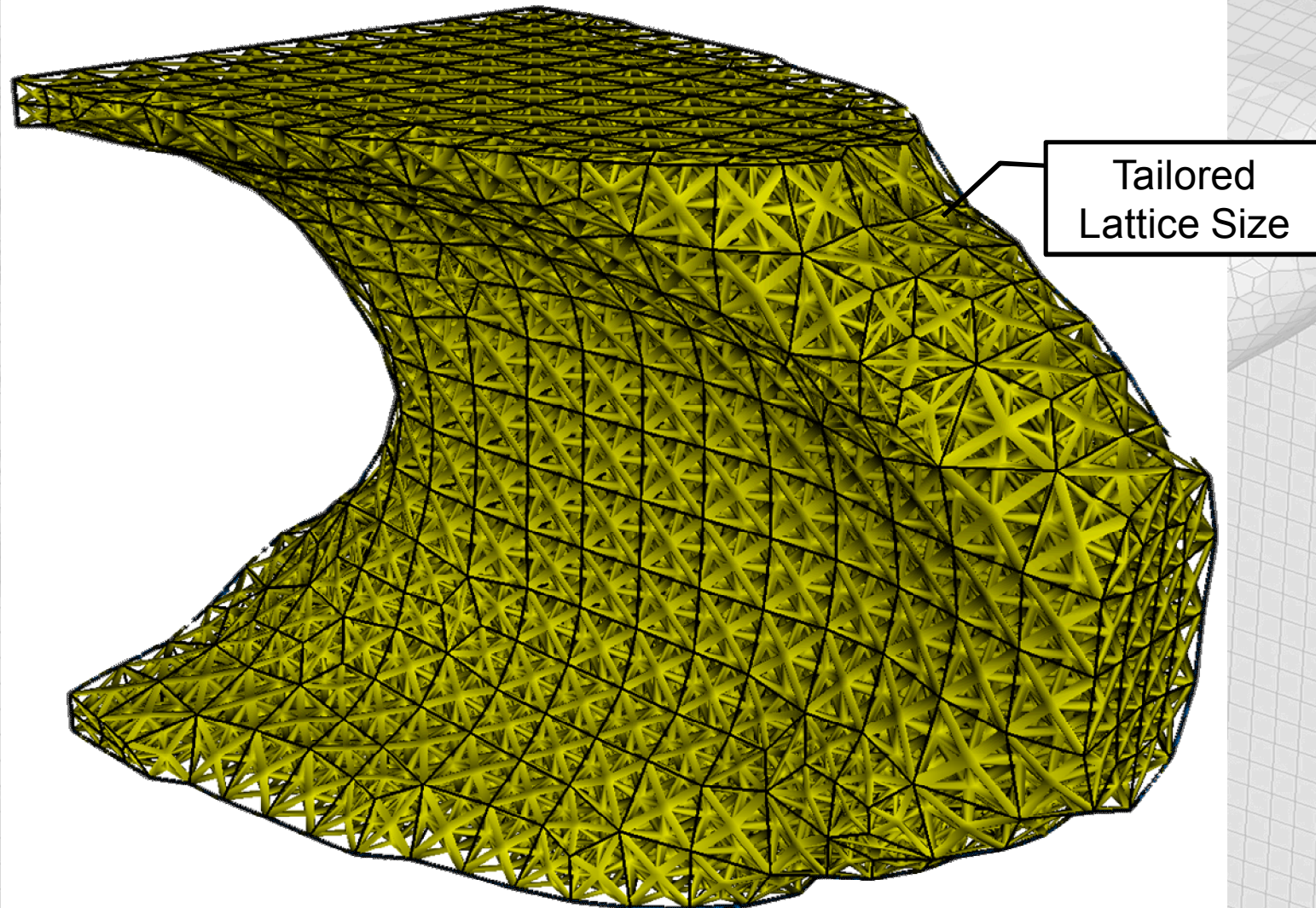


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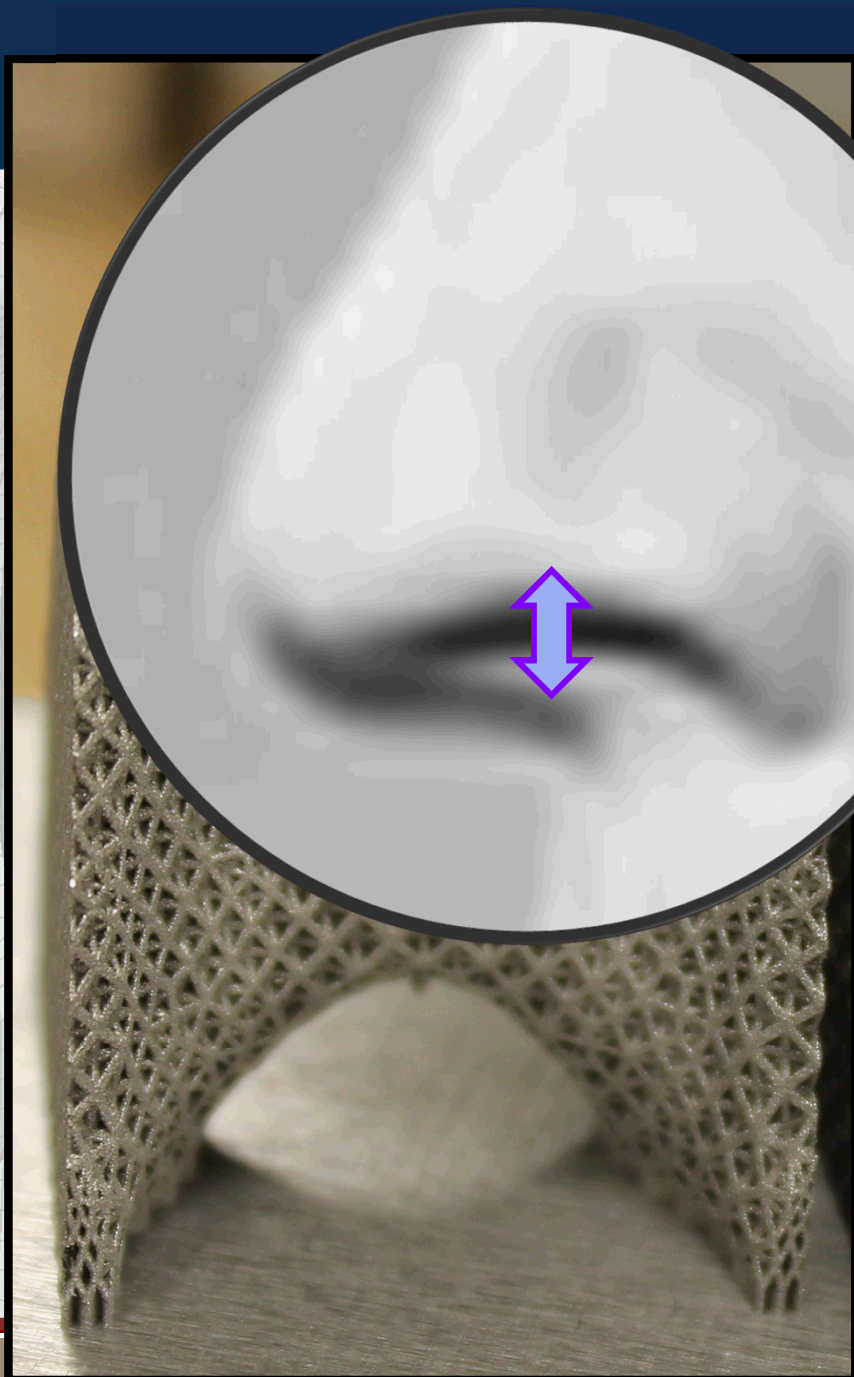


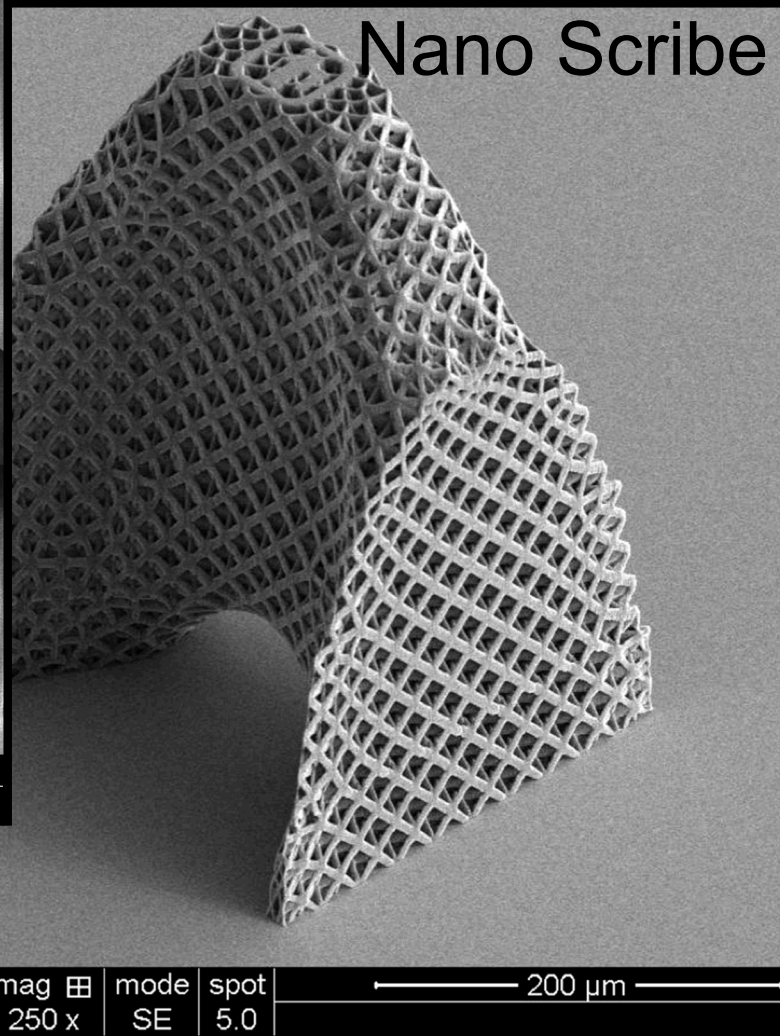
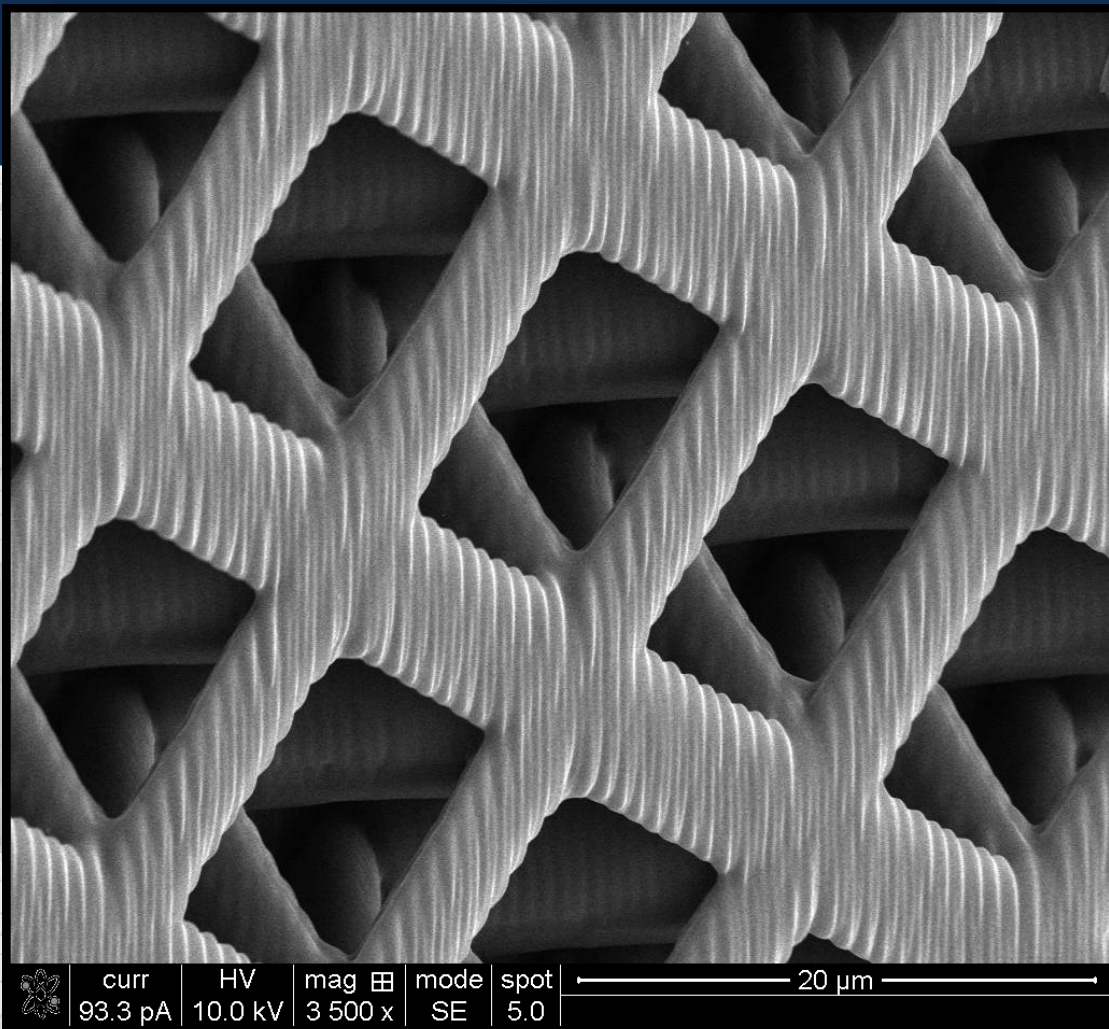


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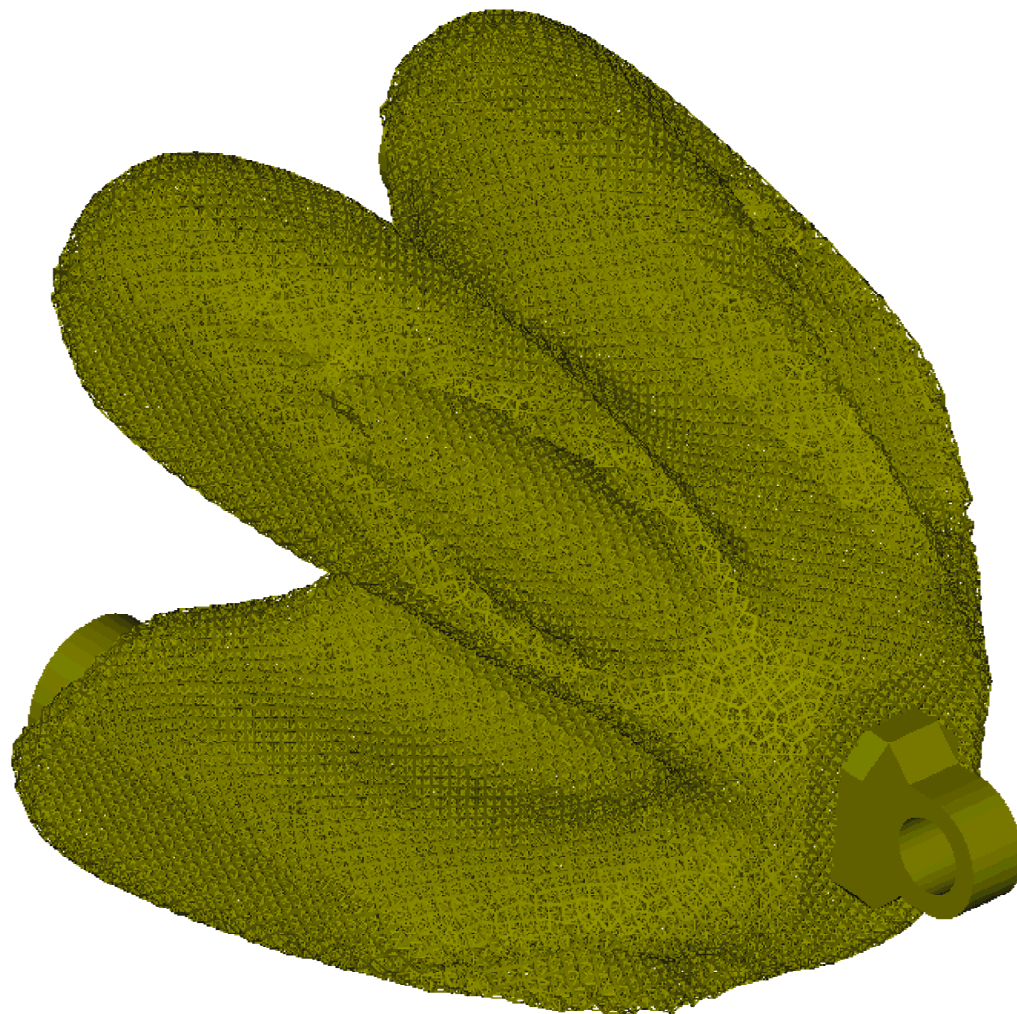






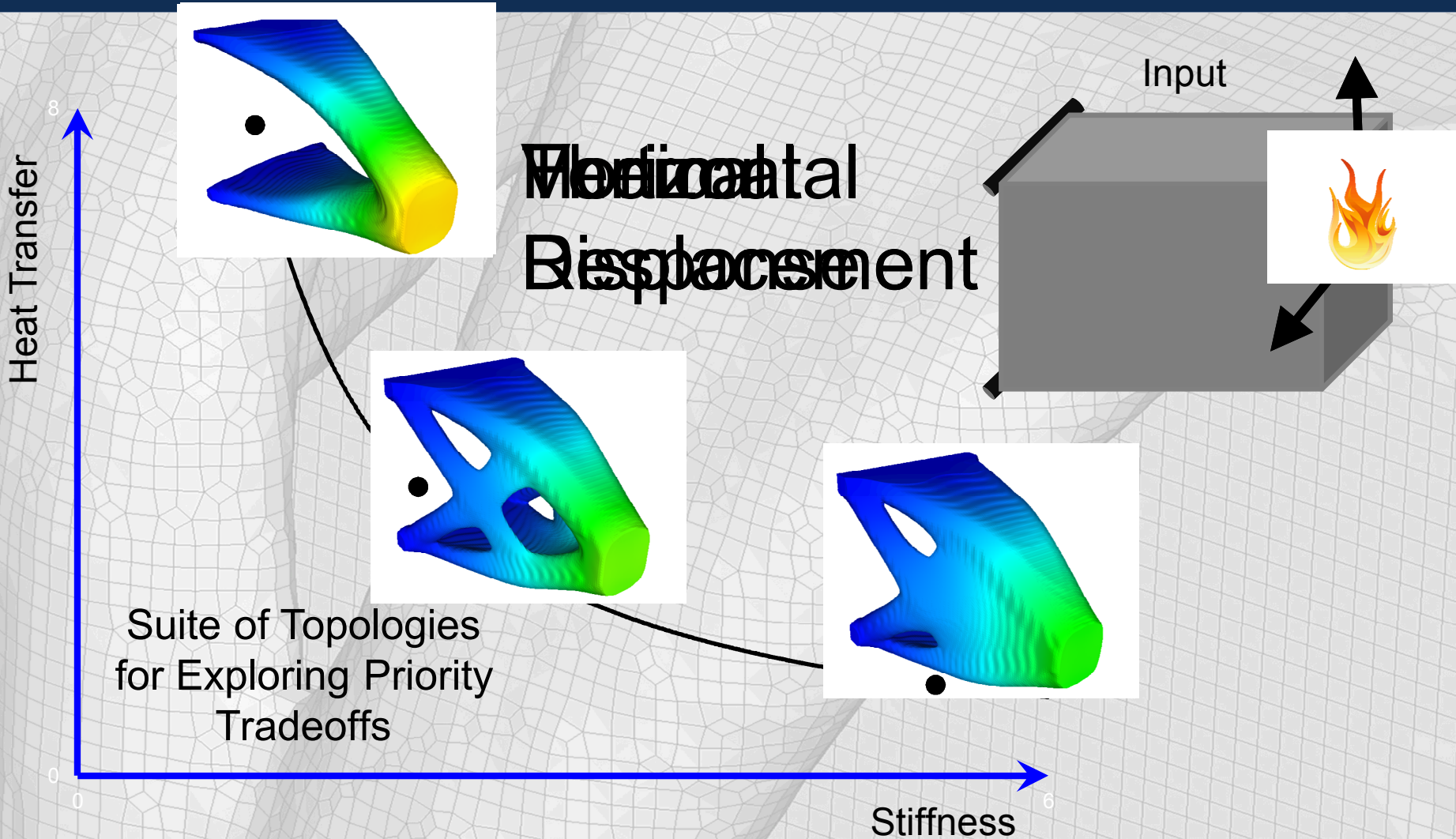








# Multi-objective/physics



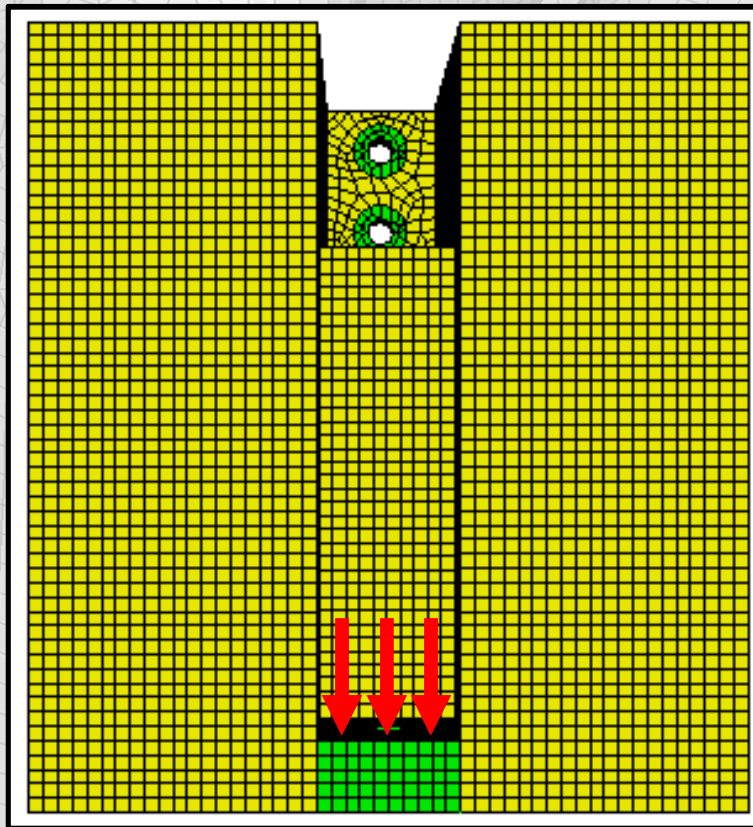
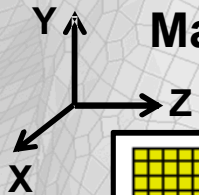
# Stochastic Reduced Order Model (SROM) Structural Topology Optimization

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**Mesh:** 139,540 HEX8

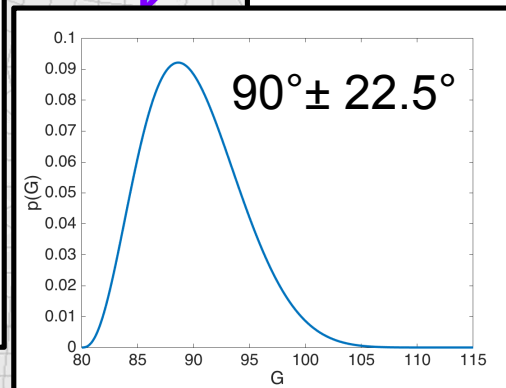
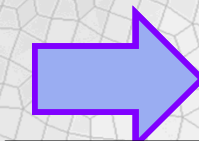
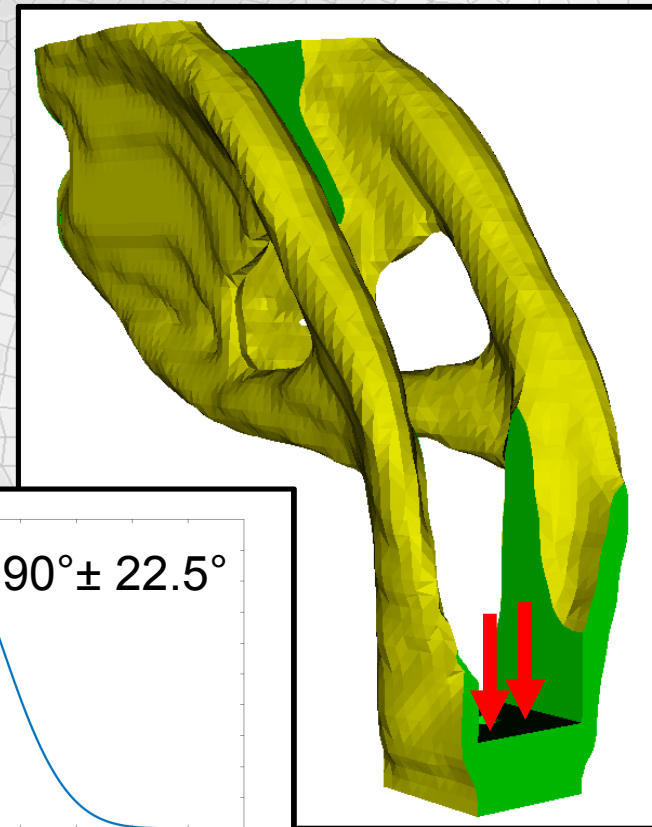
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Poisson Ratio=0.3



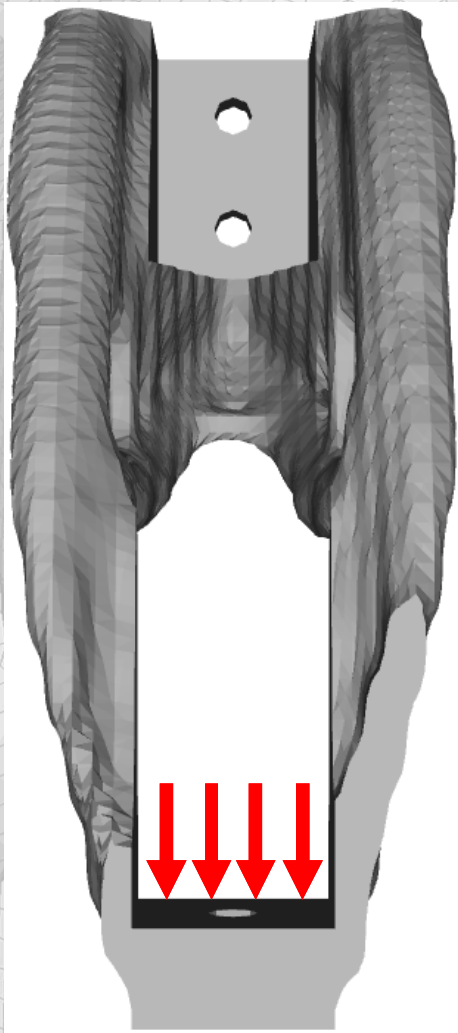
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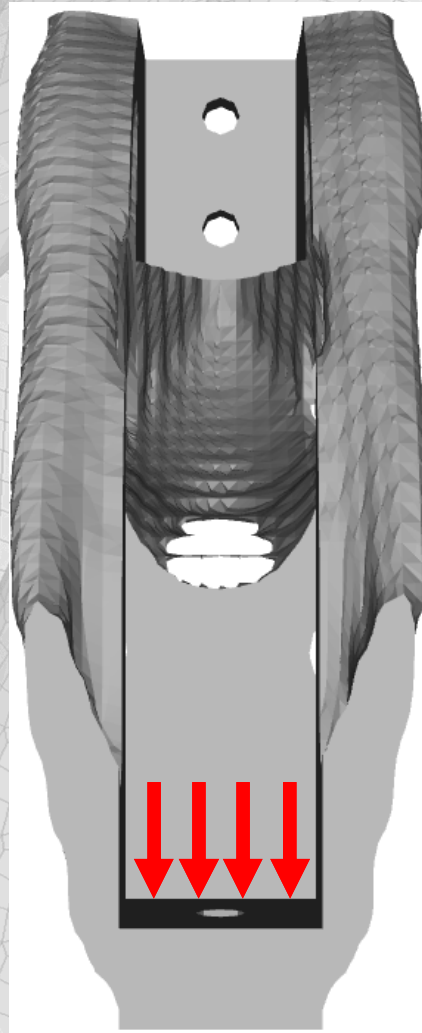


# Results: Uncertainty Aware Structural Topology Optimization

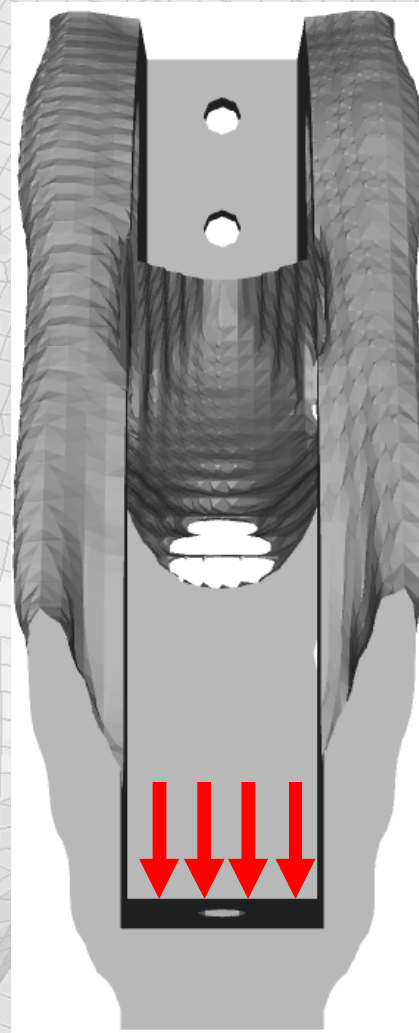
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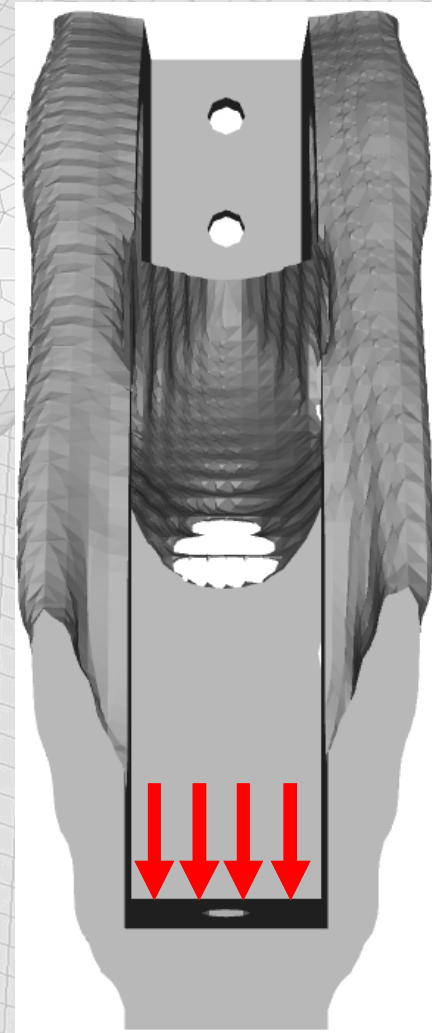
5 Samples



10 Samples



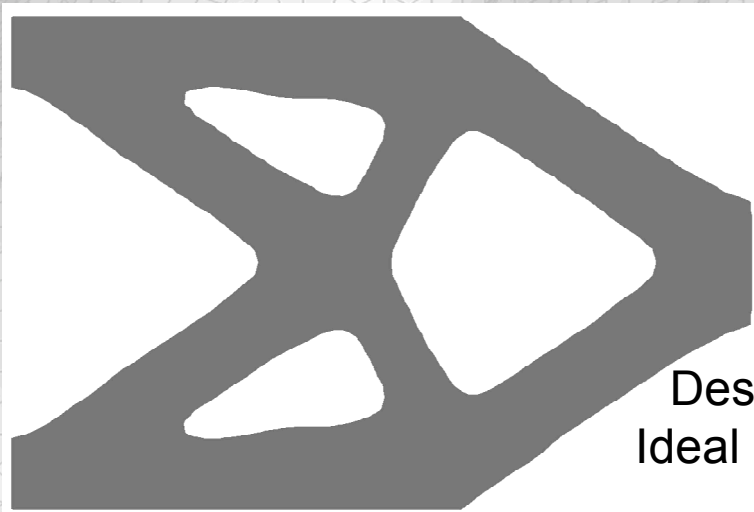
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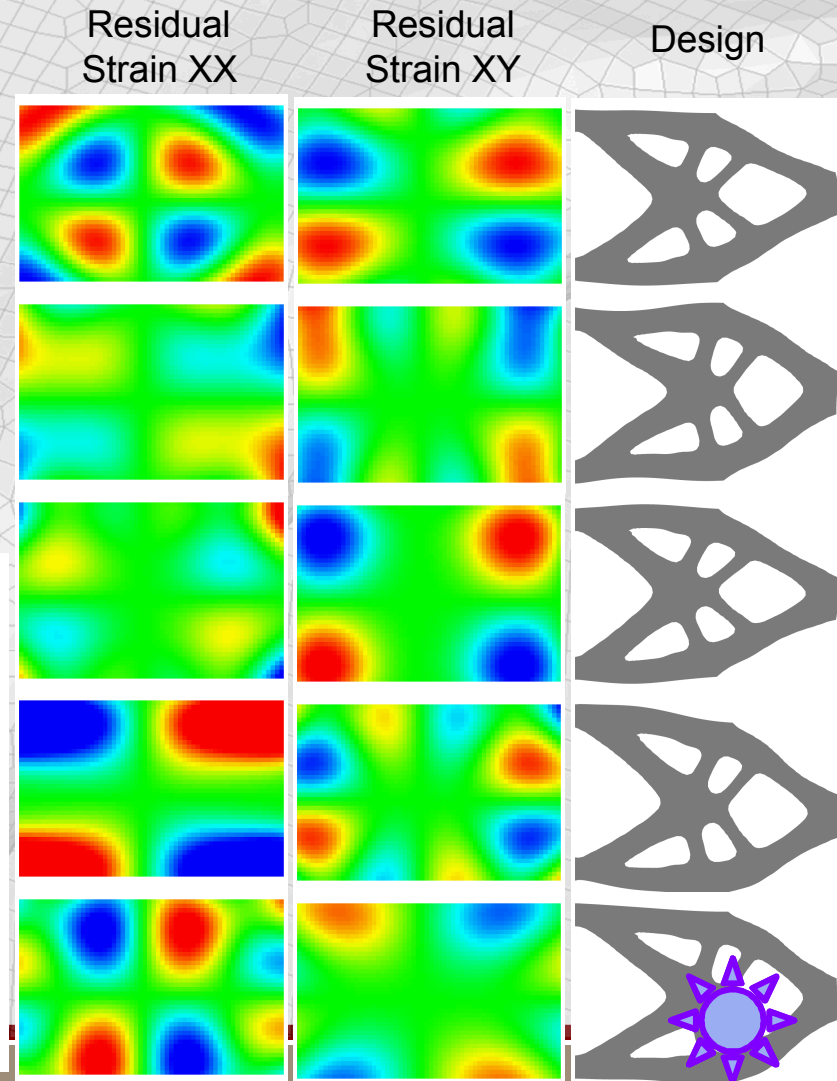
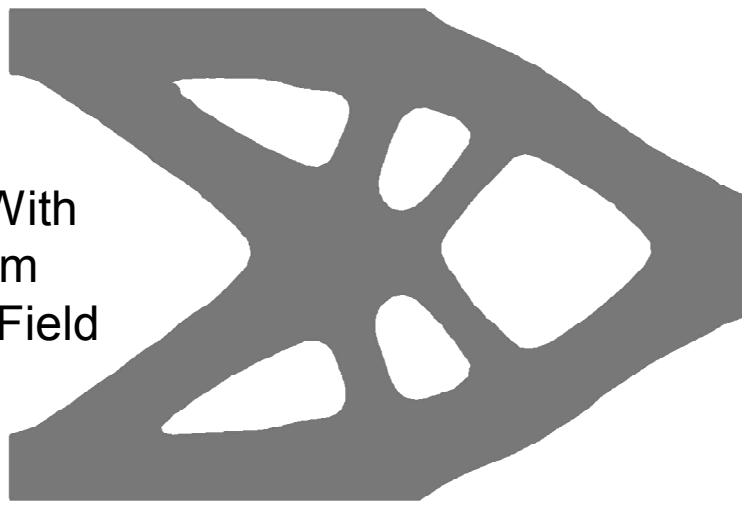


# Robust Designs to Random Residual Stress

$$\min: (\alpha) * (\text{Strain Energy}) + (1-\alpha) * (\text{Random Strains})$$

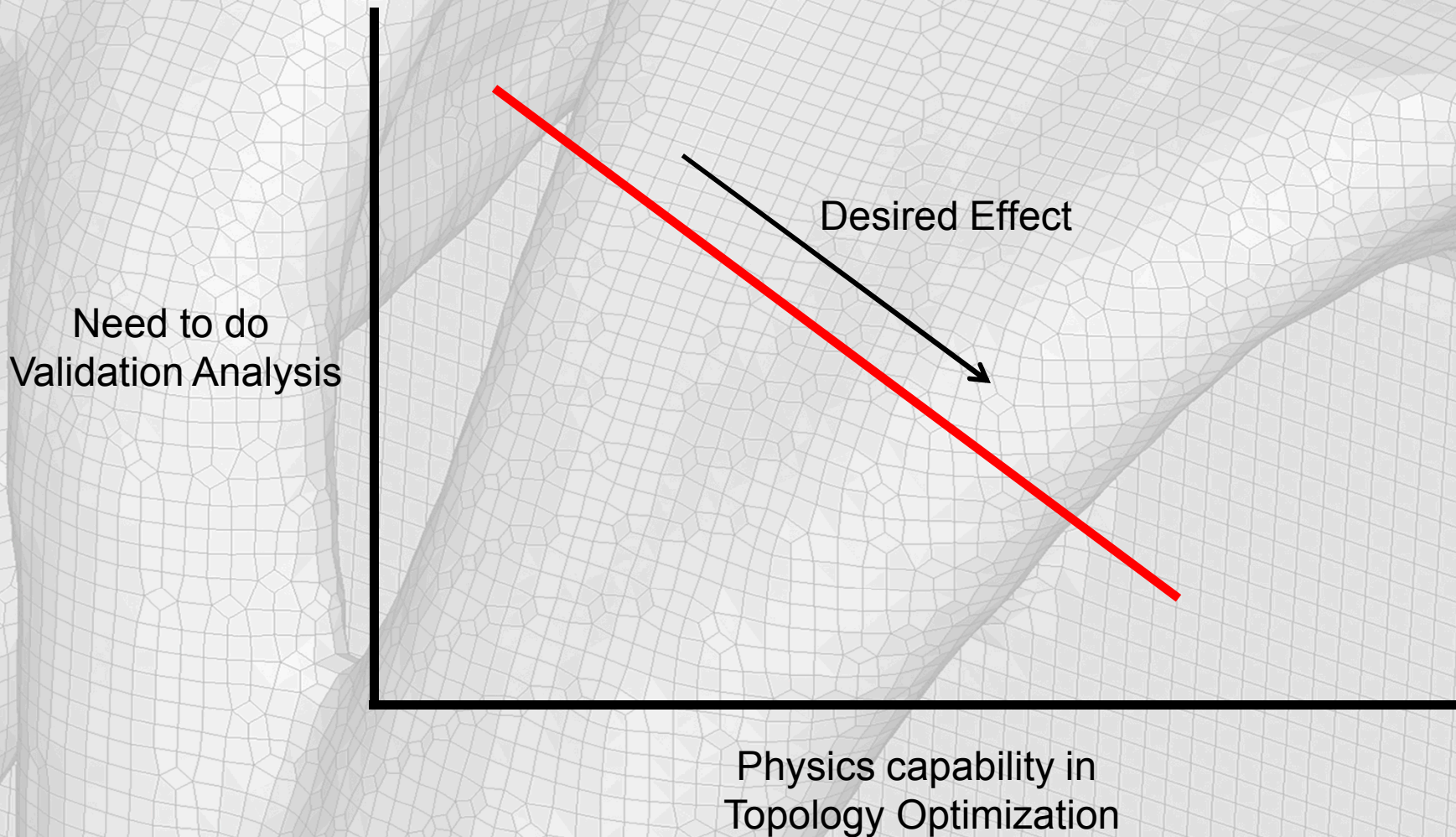


Design With  
Random  
Residual Field



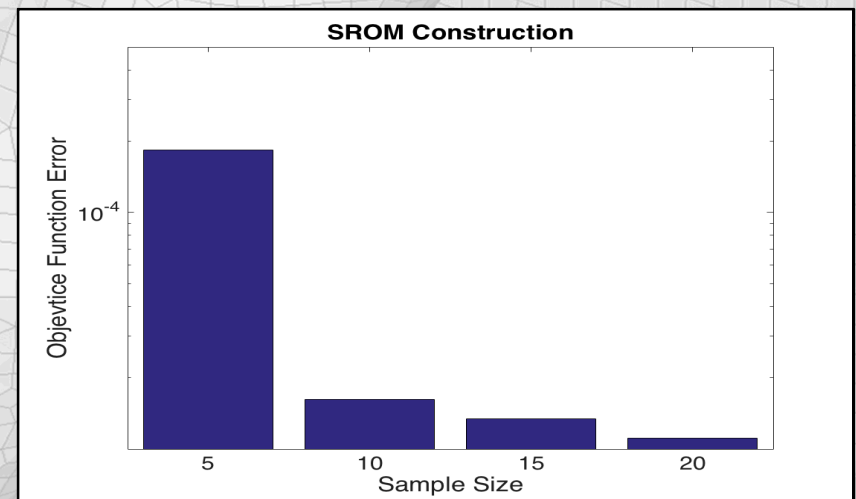
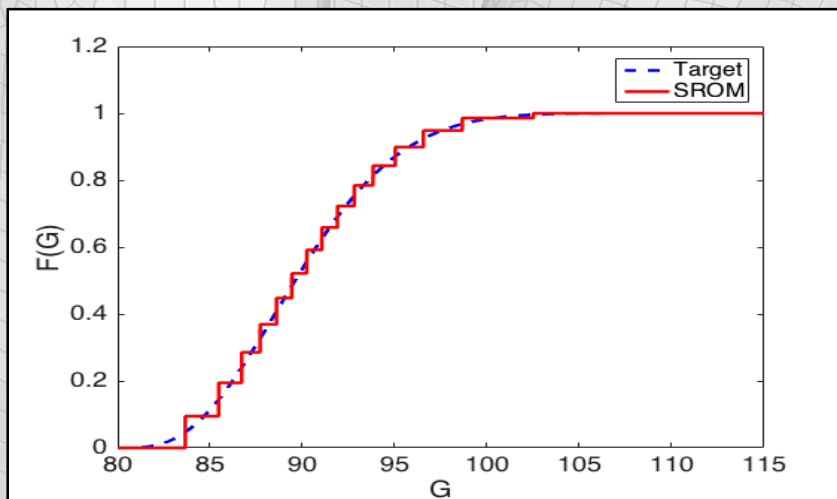
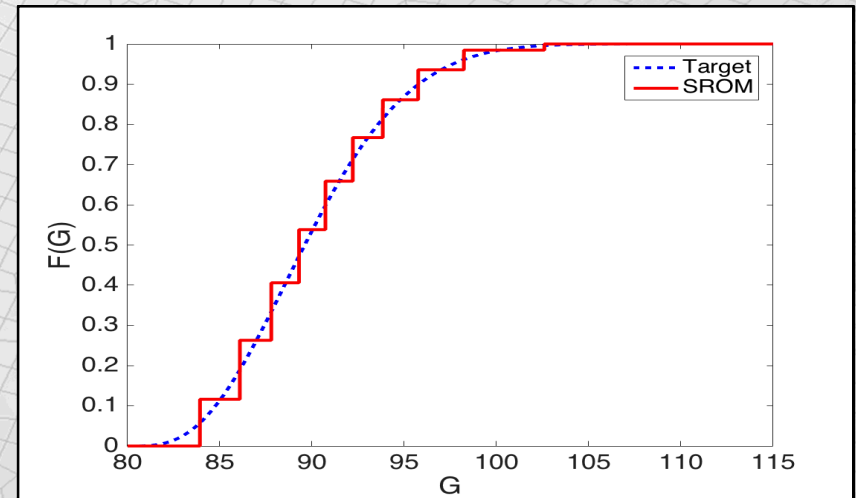
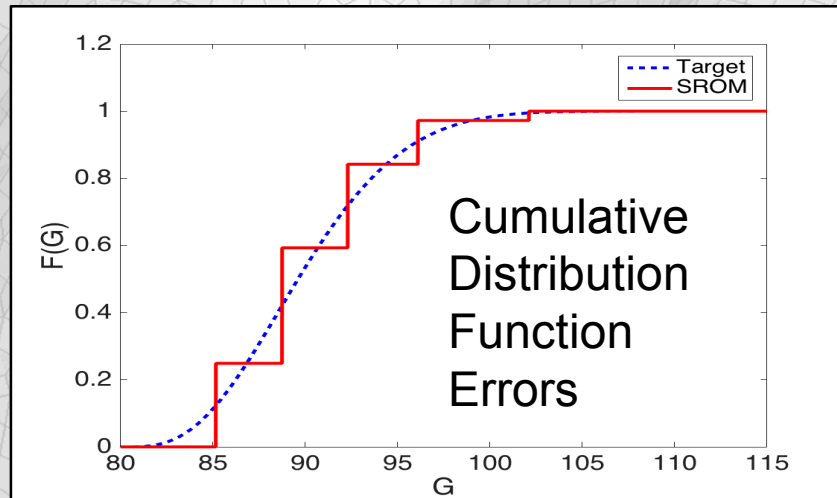
# Backup Slides

# Pushing Analysis Upstream





# Results: Uncertainty Aware Compliance Minimization



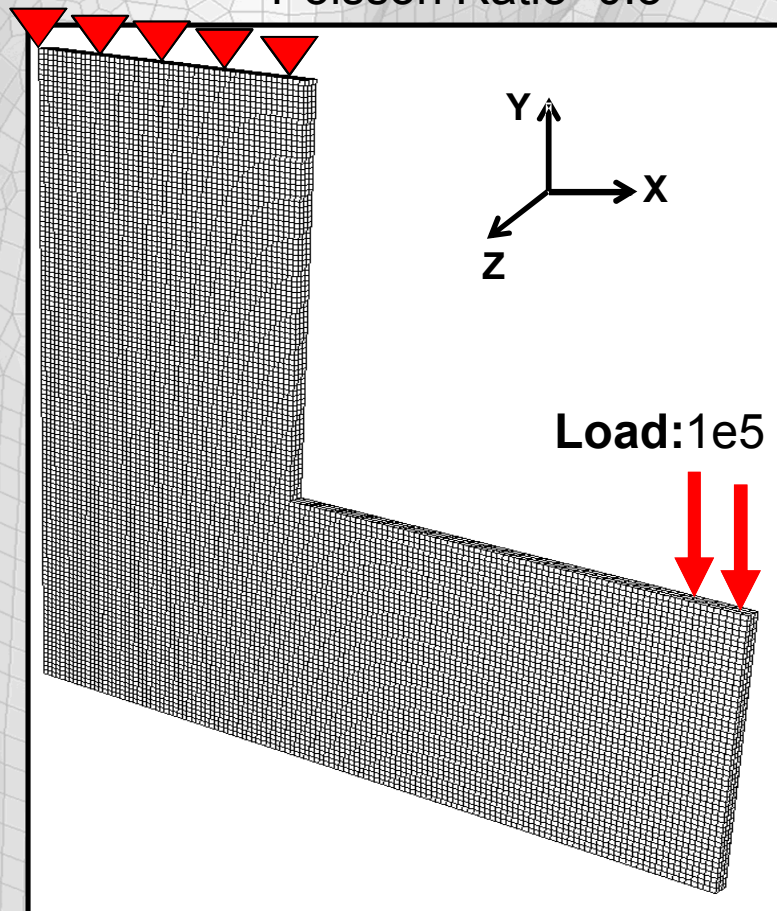
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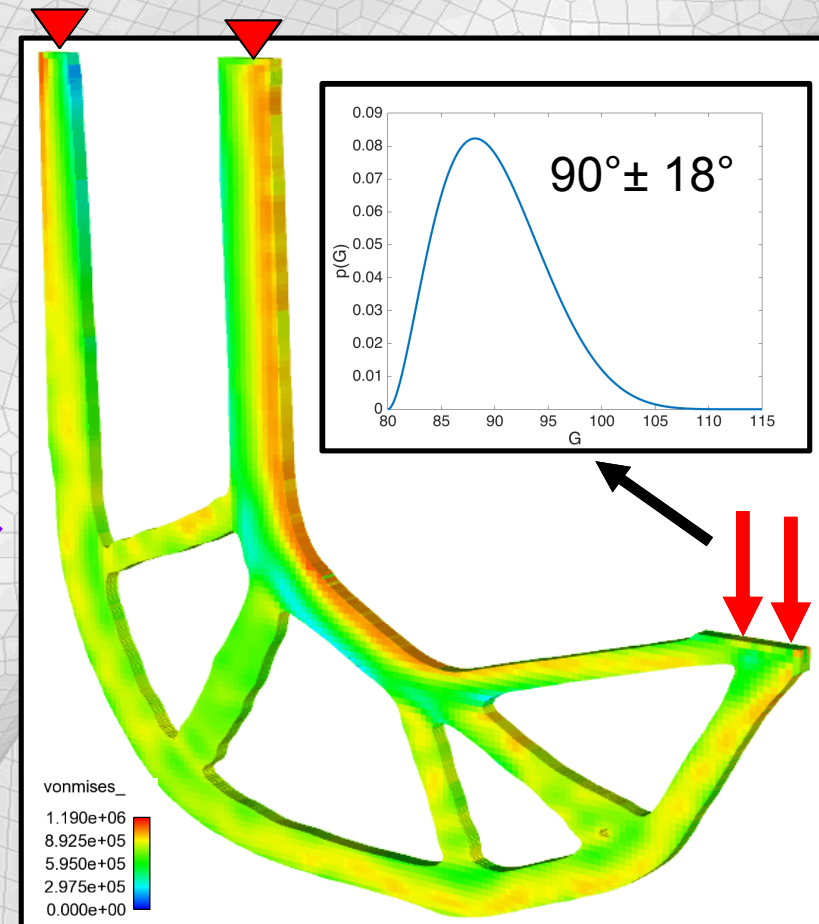
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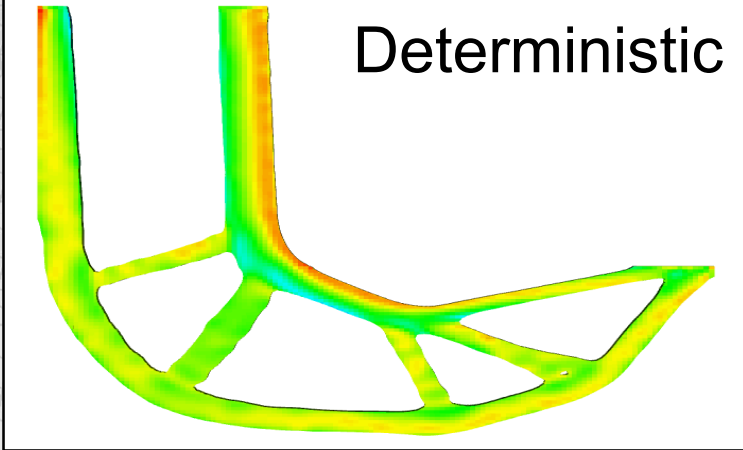


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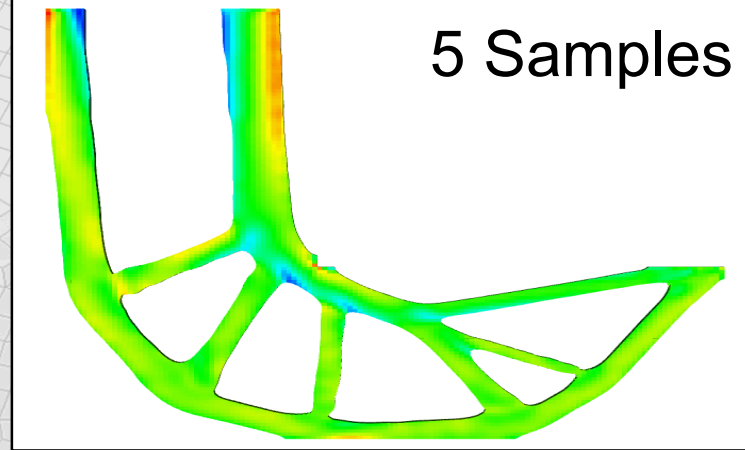


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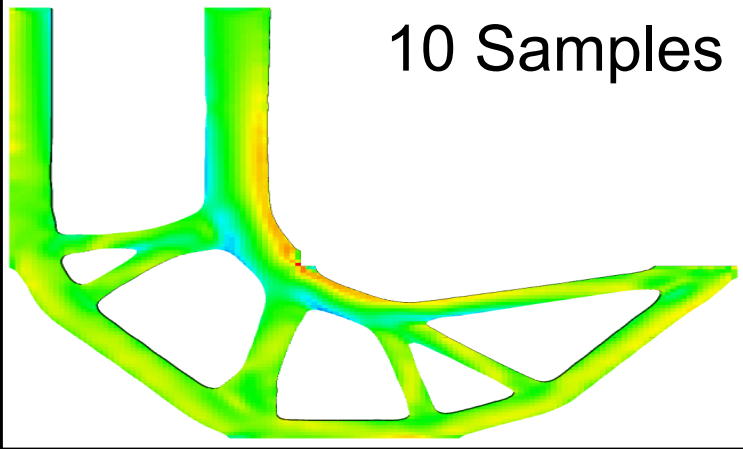
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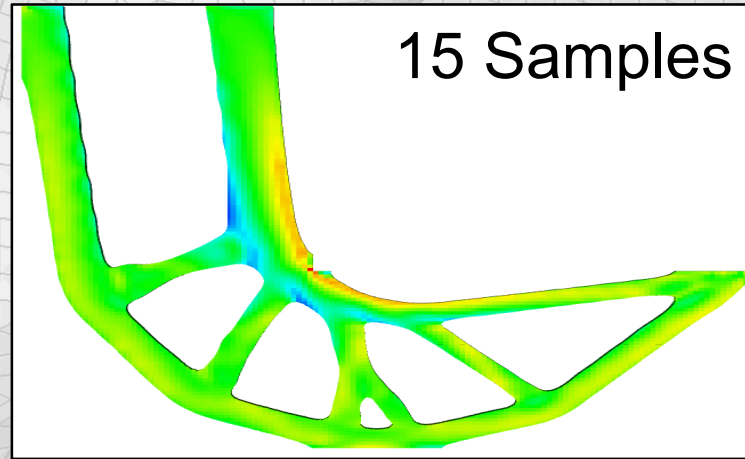
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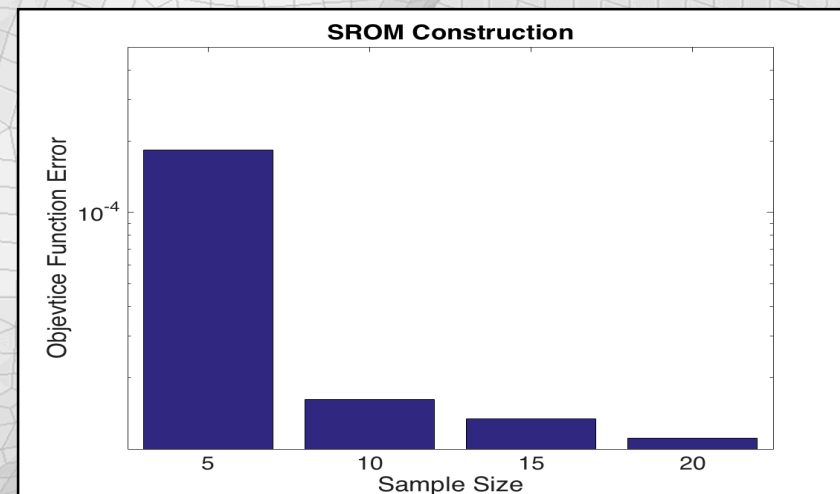
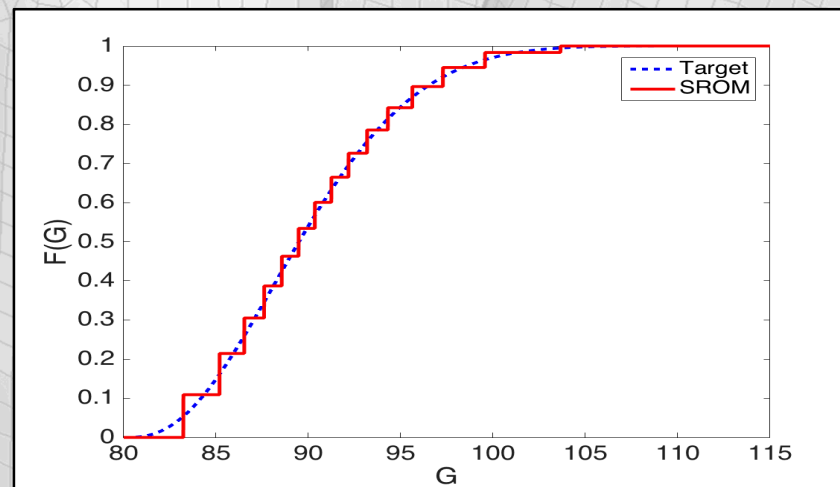
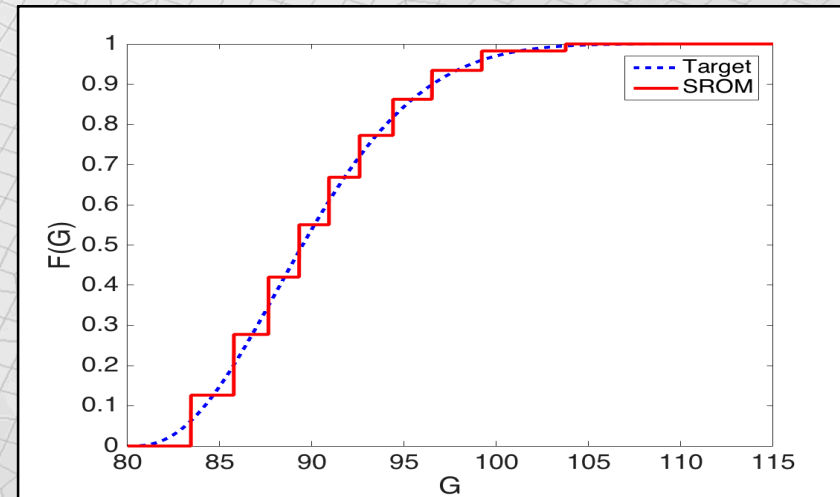
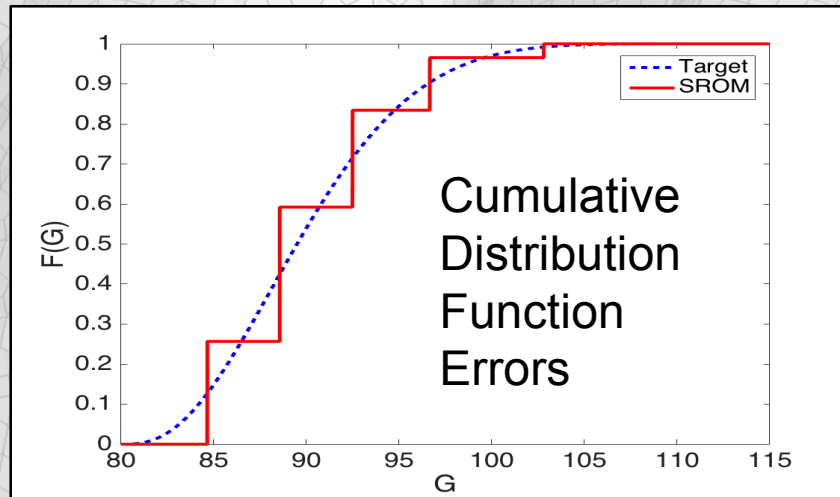


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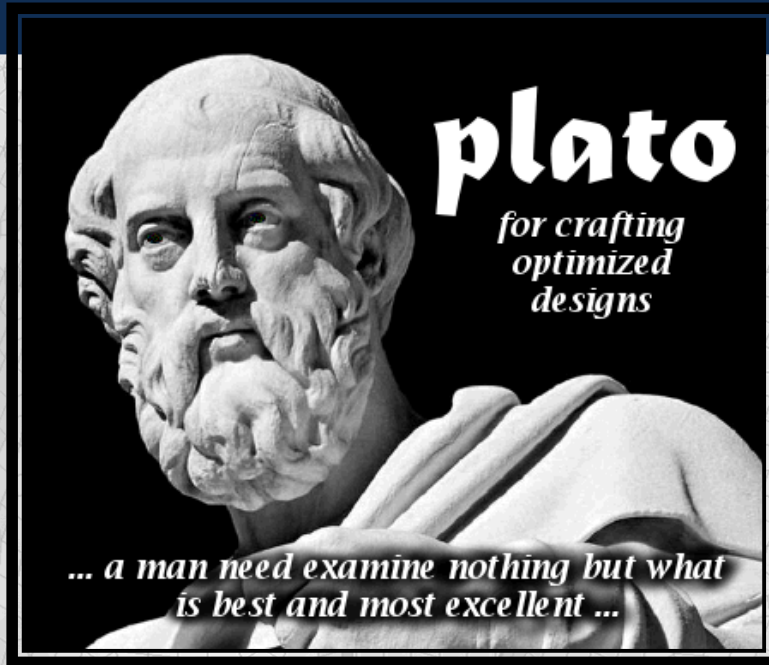
# Results: Uncertainty Aware Stress Minimization



1. Government = FREE
2. Needs a Government Use Notice (GUN)  
[sierradist.sandia.gov](http://sierradist.sandia.gov)
3. Questions?:  
[plato3d-help@sandia.gov](mailto:plato3d-help@sandia.gov)
4. Windows (sort of), Linux and Mac
5. Jobs can be run locally or on massively parallel environments
6. Includes user's manual and tutorials



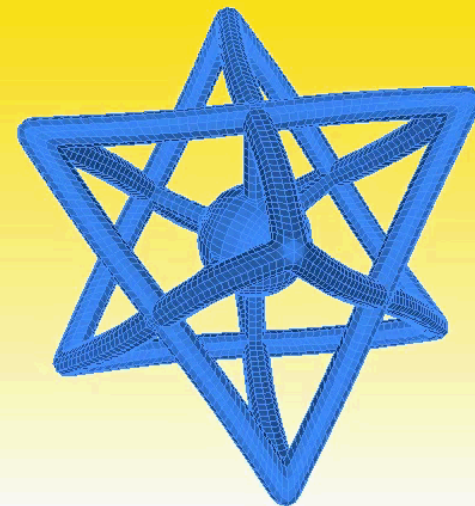
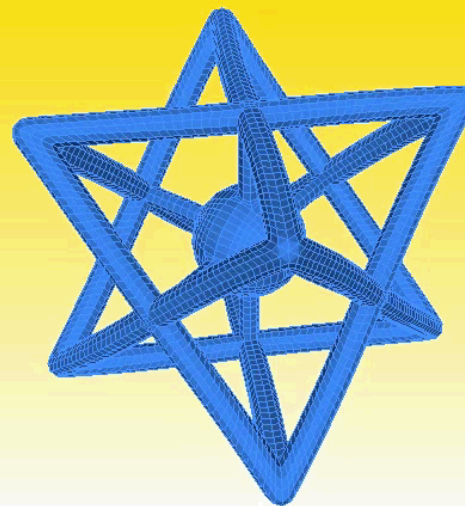
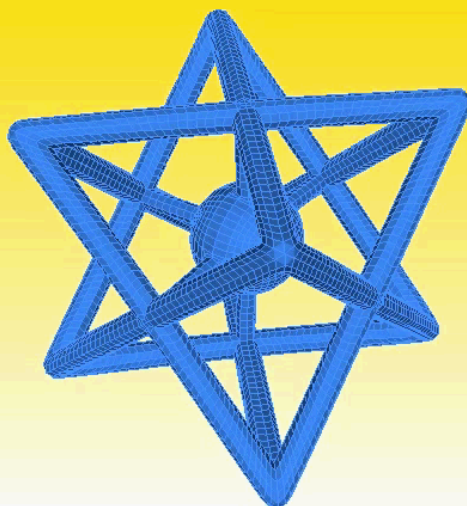
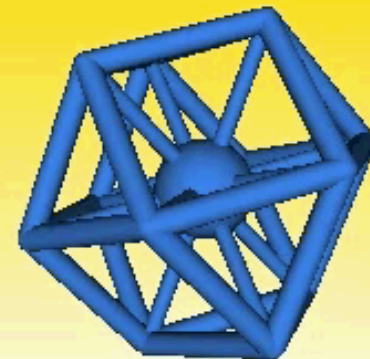
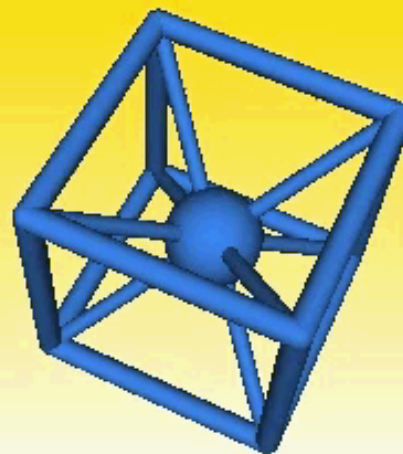
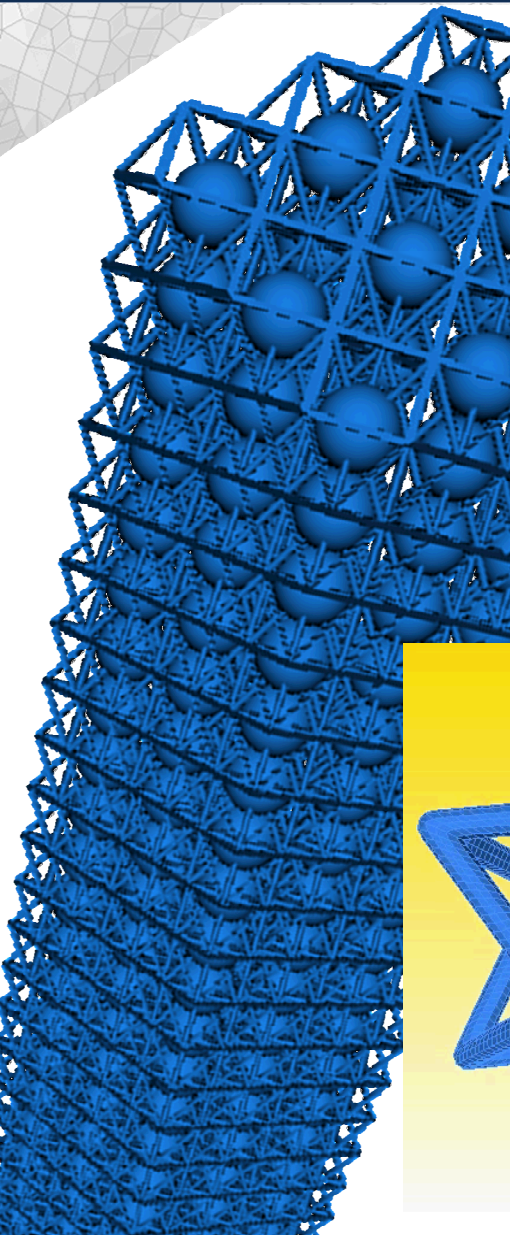
# Revolution: Where Does It Go From Here?



- Research to Production
- Meta-Material Design Focus
- AM Process-Aware / Process Optimal
- Plug-N-Play Solvers
- Level Sets: Shape Optimization Coupling
- Performance
- More Physics (Thermal / EM / Fluids)
- Design Option Overload

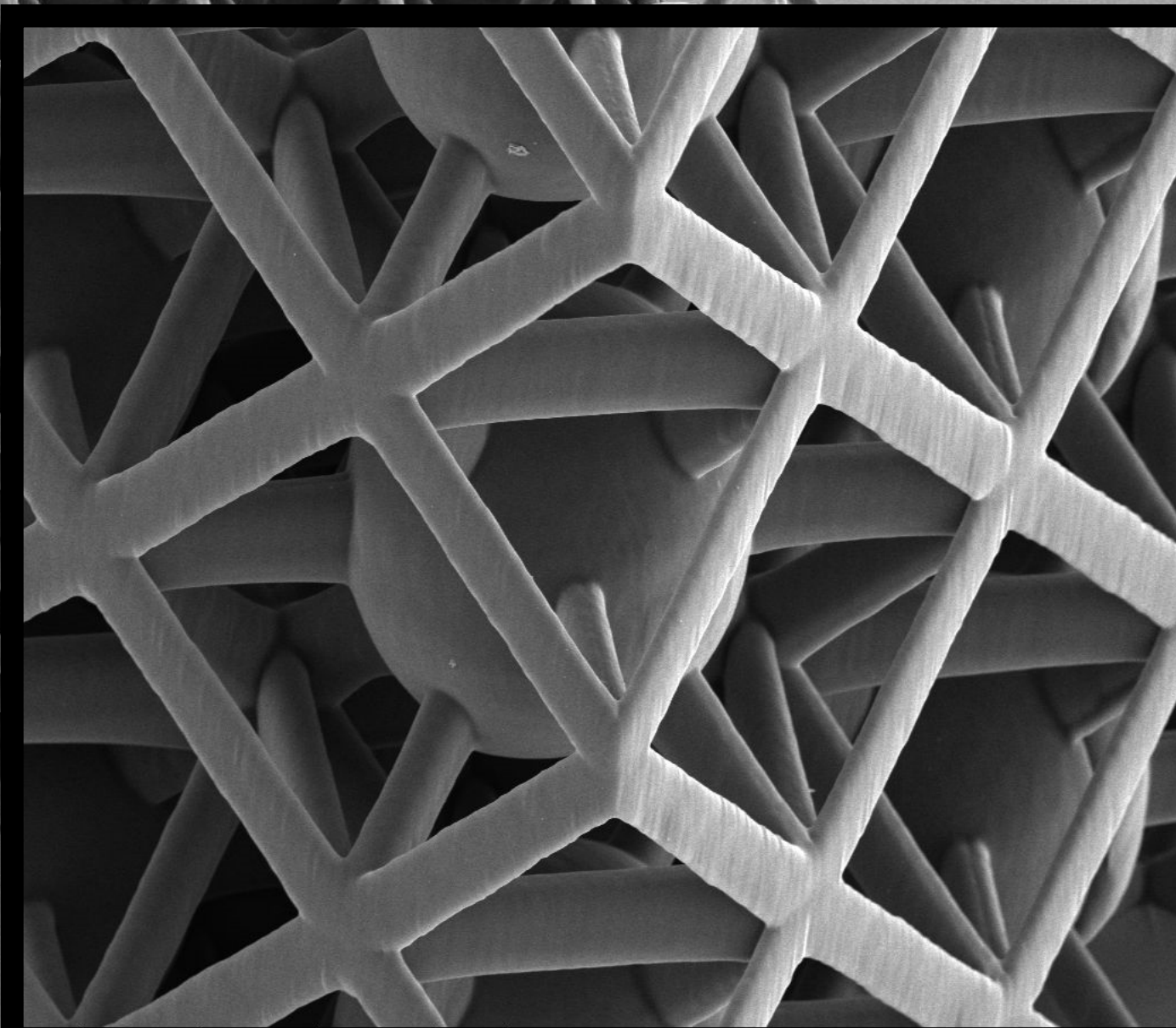
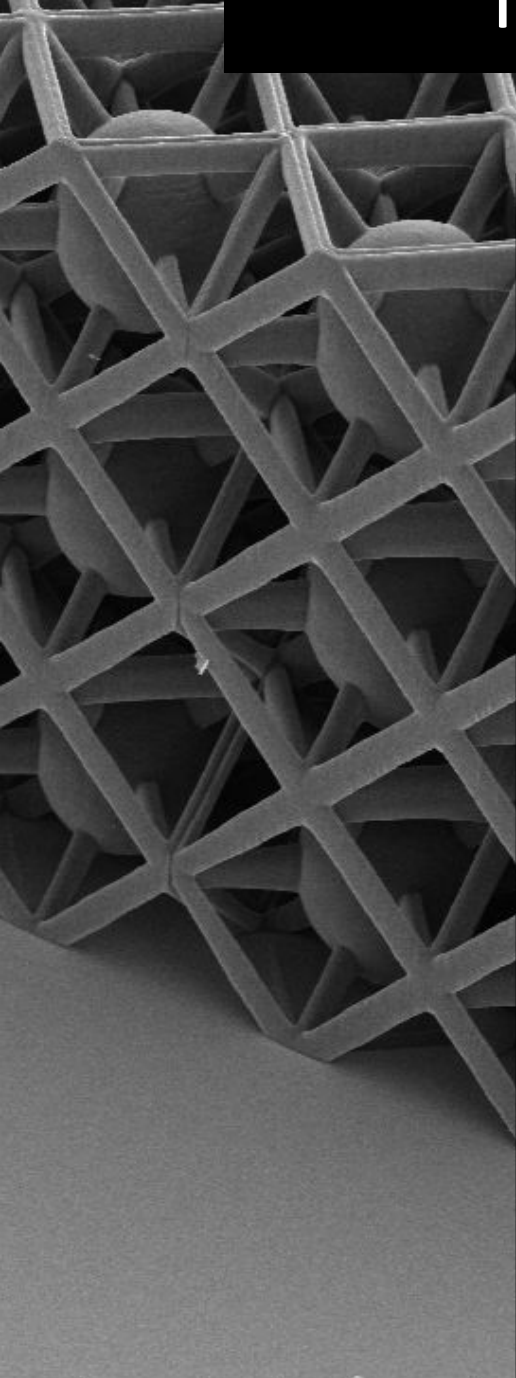
# Transient Response Tailoring

- Shock mitigation & redirection





# Nanoscribe Structures



# Recent Munitions Pusher Example

Allowable Space

Fixed Boundary

Mating Ring

Pressure Plate

Spatially Varying Pressure



# Effect of Lattice Density

Min:  $(1-\alpha)^* \text{compliance} + \alpha^* \text{thermal}$

