

Design the Difference

Liberare il potenziale dell'Additive Manufacturing con nuove
tecniche di progettazione

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Altair Numbers



Founded **1985**
Headquartered in Troy, MI US



48 offices
in 22 countries



\$323M
2016 Billings



50+
ISV partners under our unique,
patented licensing model



2500+
Engineers, scientists and creative thinkers



5000+
Customer Installations globally



60,000+
Users

Our Vision

To radically change the way organizations
design products and
make decisions



5,000 customers installations worldwide

Automotive



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Heavy Equipment



Government



Life/Earth Sciences



Electronics/Consumer Goods



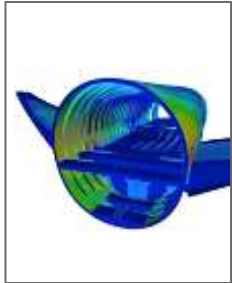
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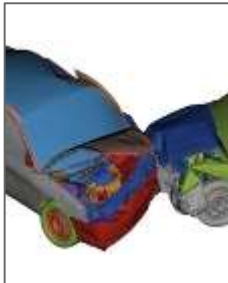
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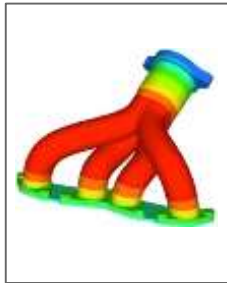
Altair Solver Technology



Structural
Analysis



Crash, Safety,
Impact & Blast



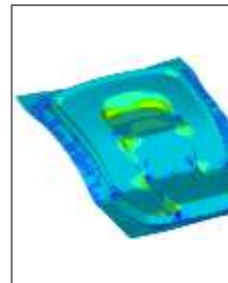
Thermal
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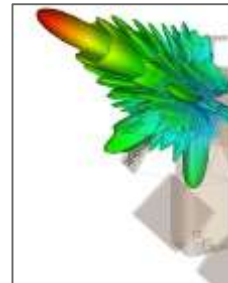
Fluid
Dynamics



Systems
Simulation



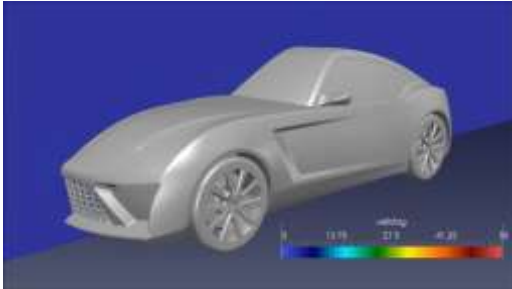
Manufacturing
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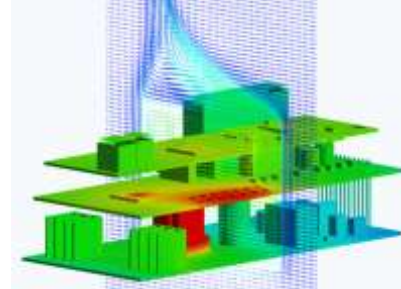
Electro-
Magnetics

Multiphysics Simulation and Optimization

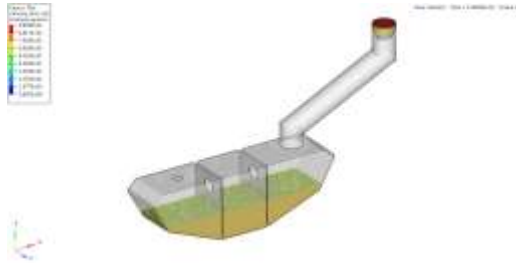
Fluid flow and Thermal



ultraFluidX: Aerodynamics



AcuSolve: Thermal Analysis

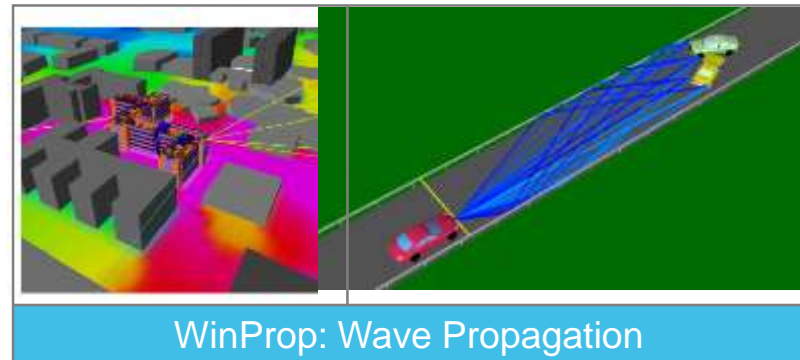
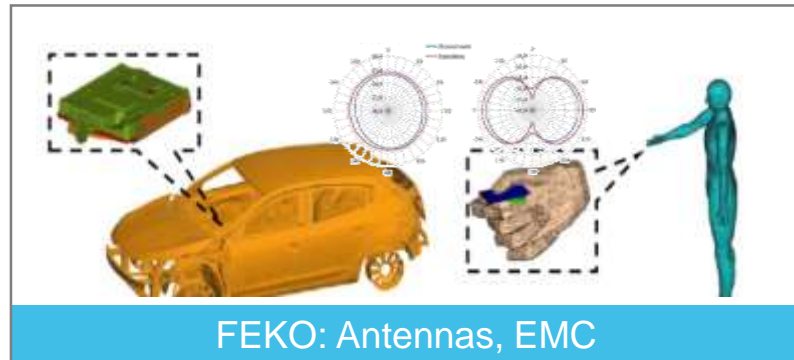
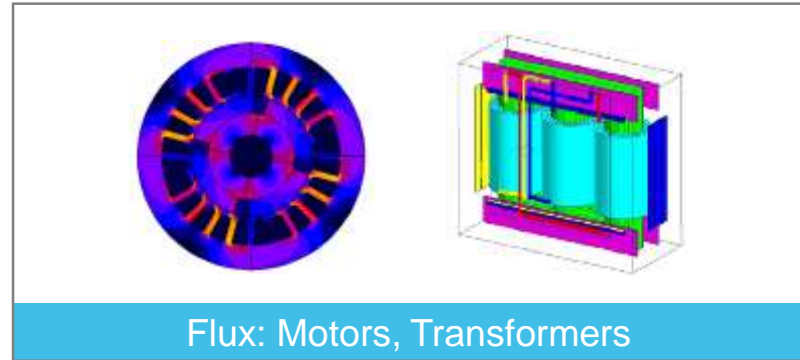
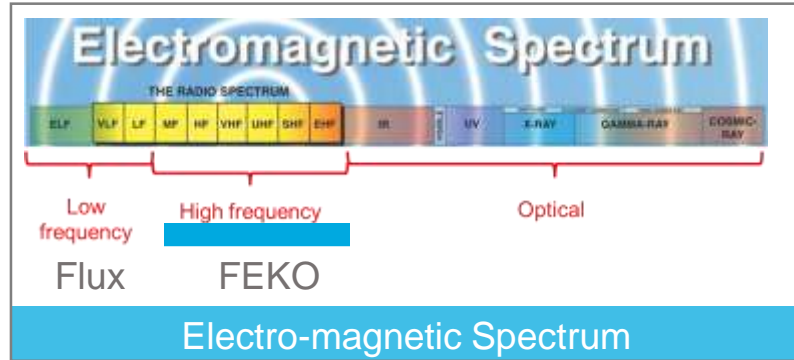


AcuSolve: Tank Filling

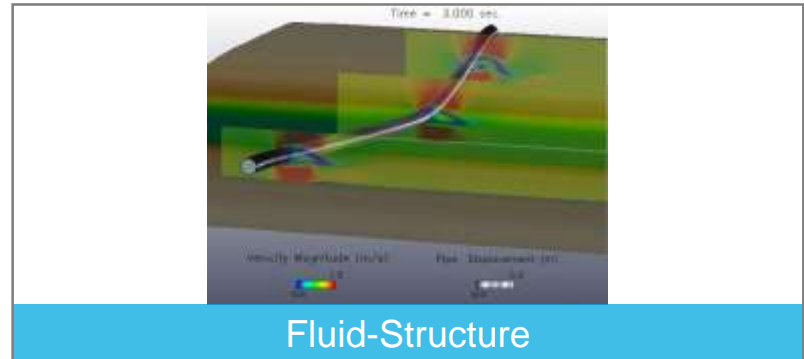
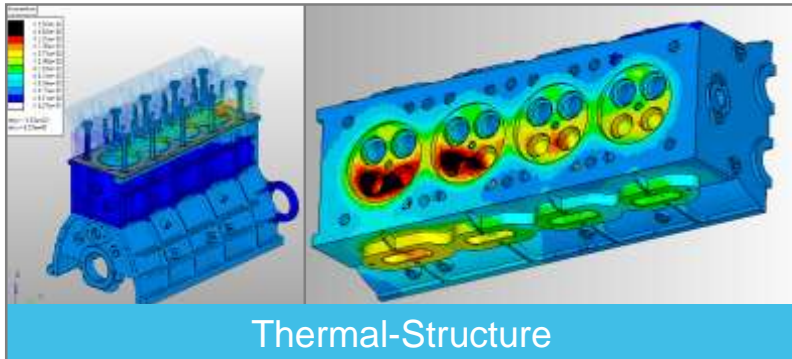
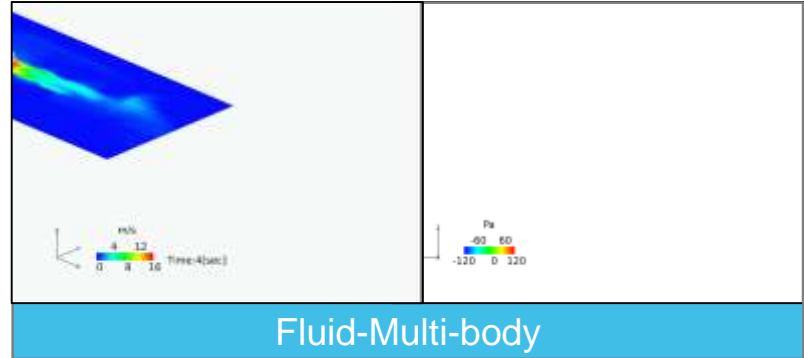
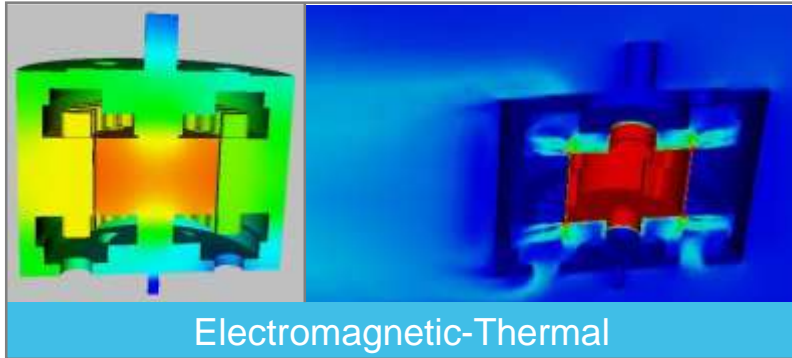


nanoFluidX: Gear and Engine Oiling

Electromagnetics



Multi-Physics



ALM Process

Main elements of ALM Technology



Design for Additive Manufacturing



Metallic Powders



AM Machines

How to get benefits



Slow Process

Very **expensive** Powders

Massive parts have huge **distorsion**

Huge **ratio** between material and void

Complexity is for free

Lattice is allowed



Mass reduction has a big impact on the whole result

To get most benefit we need to think complex shapes

Shape the Inspiration

The Additive Manufacturing Design Challenge



How can a designer come up with the best possible shape?

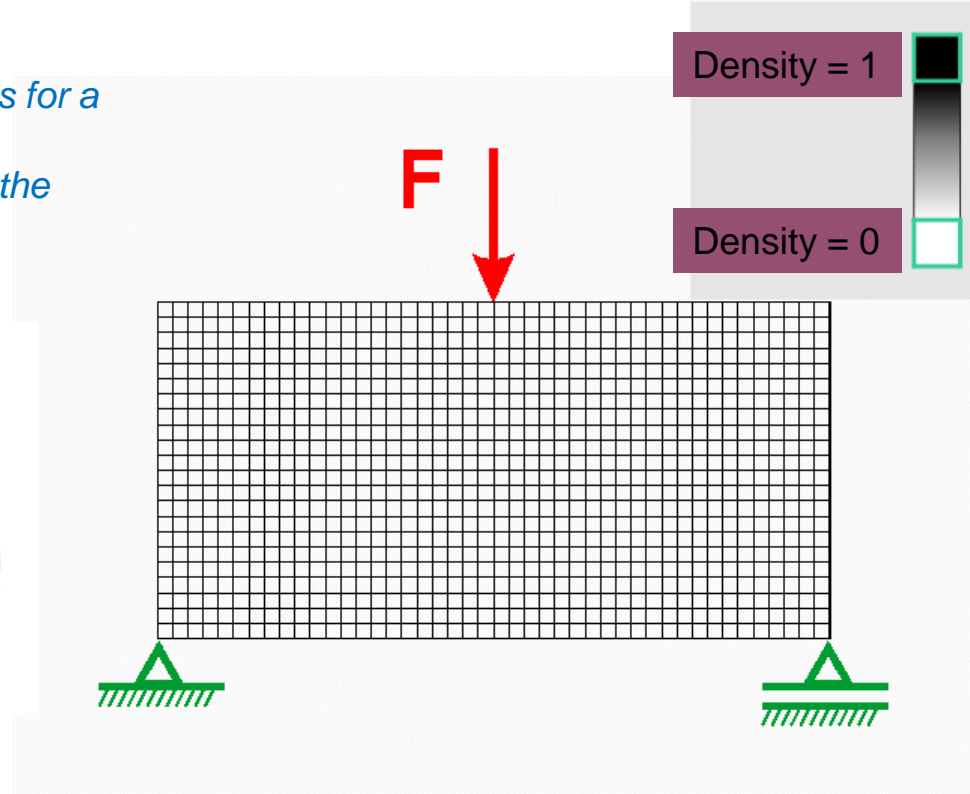


picture by courtesy of Laser Zentrum Nord 

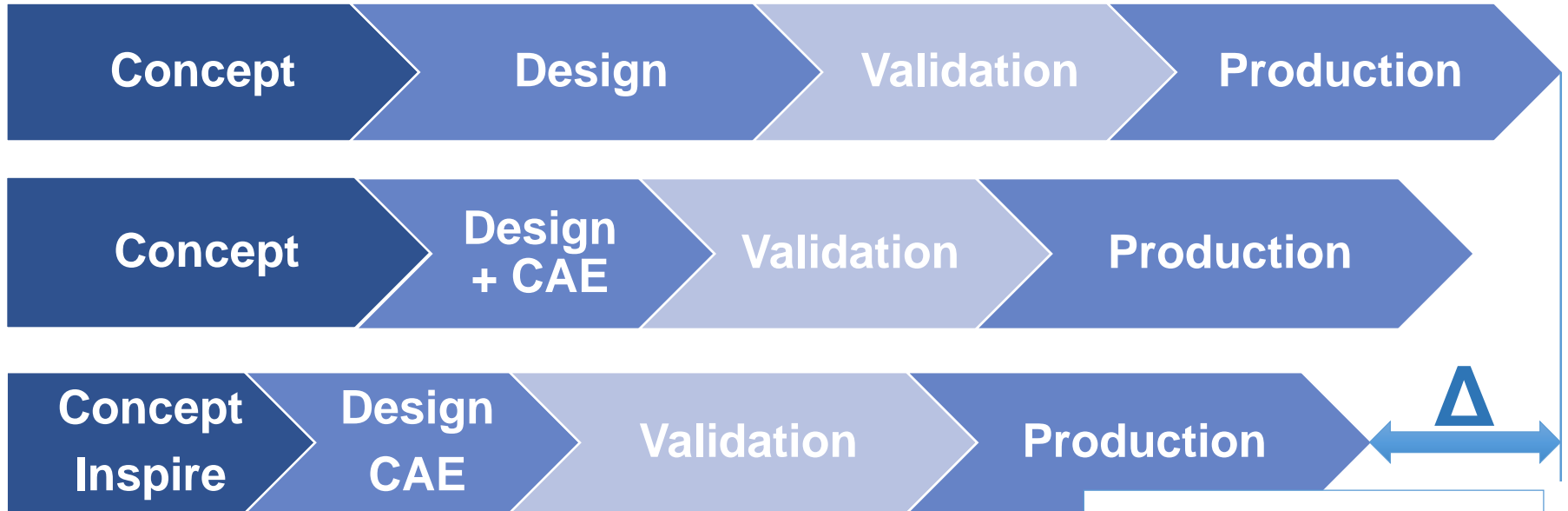


Topology Optimization

Given the package space and loading conditions for a design problem, optimization quickly generates the ideal shape.



Never too soon to optimize



- ✓ Weight saving
- ✓ Time saving
- ✓ Cost saving

Altair Topology Optimization is OptiStruct



Altair is the premier provider of design optimization software, driving design processes of leading manufacturers for over 20 years



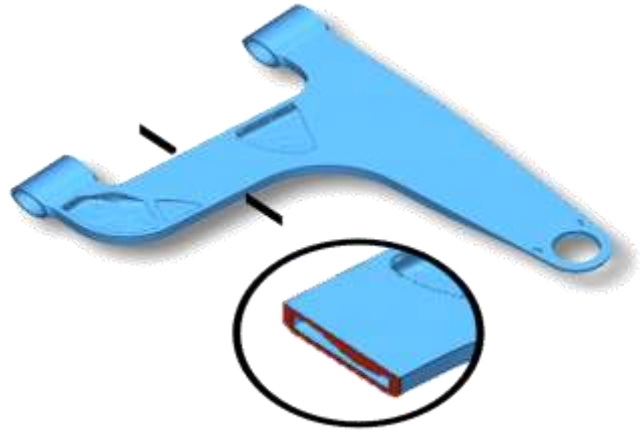
Not just an exercise



Make the design Manufacturable



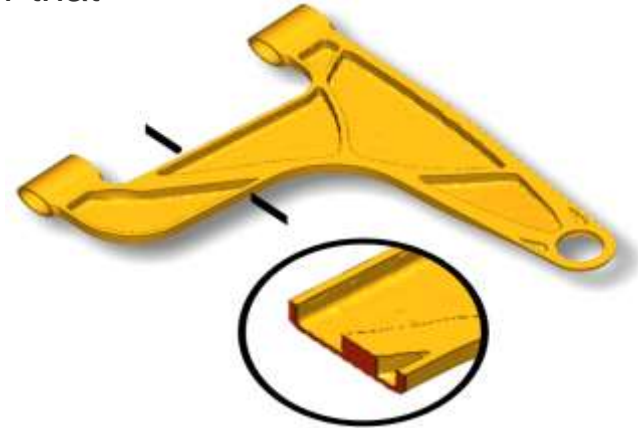
Introducing Manufacturing constraints the final design has more doable shape for that manufacturing technology,
But with the



Suitable for Casting - ALM

Same Performaces

- **Stress**
- **Stiffness**
- **Mass...**

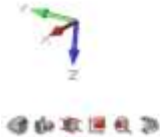
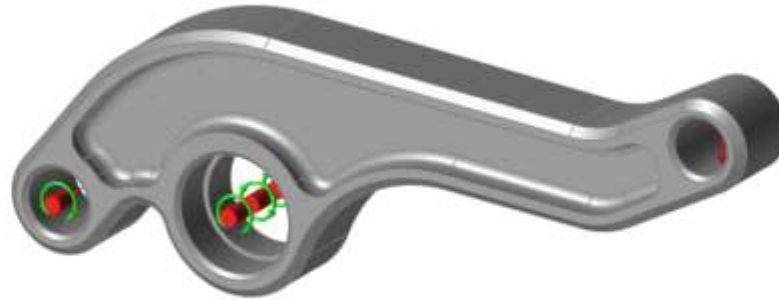


Suitable for Milling, Stamping

Shape the Inspiration



Model Preparation



Shape the Inspiration



Model Preparation

Conceptual
Optimization



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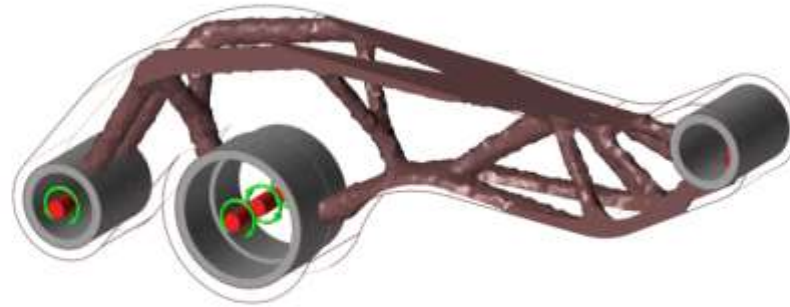
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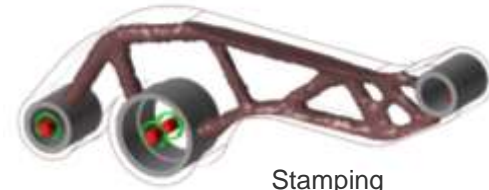
Concept
Validation



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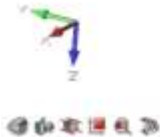
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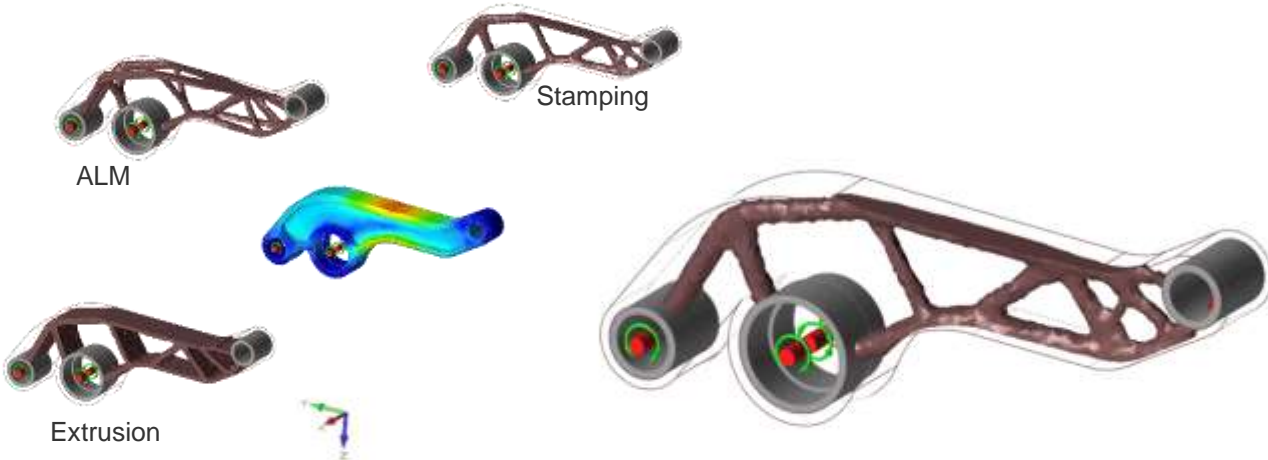
Stamping



Extrusion



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Compare Results

Part	Mass Total	Mass Part 1	Compliance
Benchmark Conventional Design/Min Mass SF 2 (I)	0.0034963 kg	0.0315680 kg	1.489356
Benchmark Conventional Design/Min Mass SF 2 (2)	0.0088871 kg	0.0379936 kg	1.748302
Benchmark Conventional Design/Min Mass SF 2 (H)	0.125394 kg	0.0934664 kg	0.000064

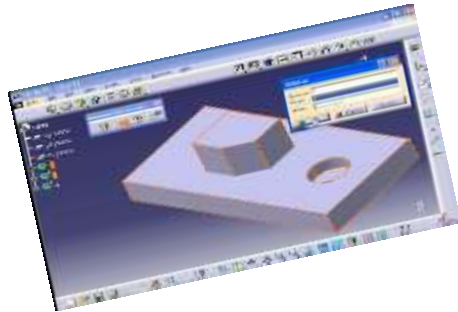


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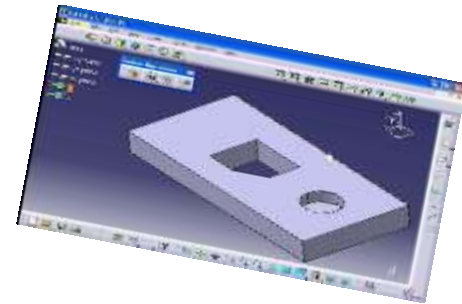


How to sketch such a complex part?

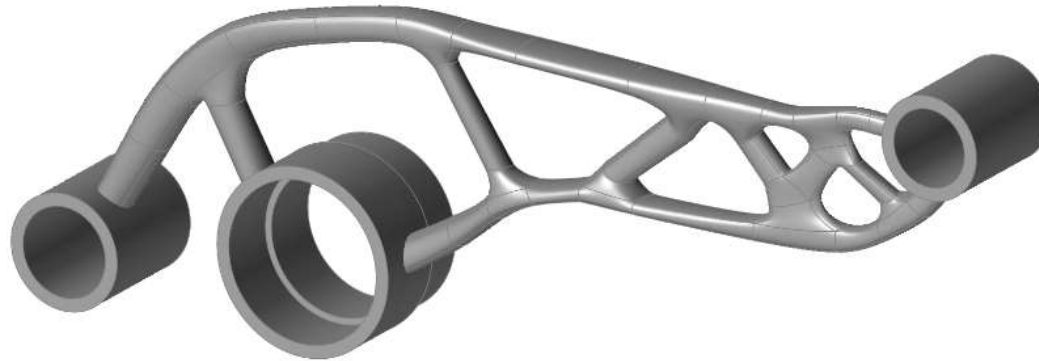
Too Complex



Organic shape



Shape the Inspiration



Shape the Inspiration



EVOLVE
solidThinking™ / WHERE IDEAS TAKE SHAPE

Advance geometry reconstruction via full PolyNurbs technology and many more

Process Exploration

Is the ALM technology Limitless?

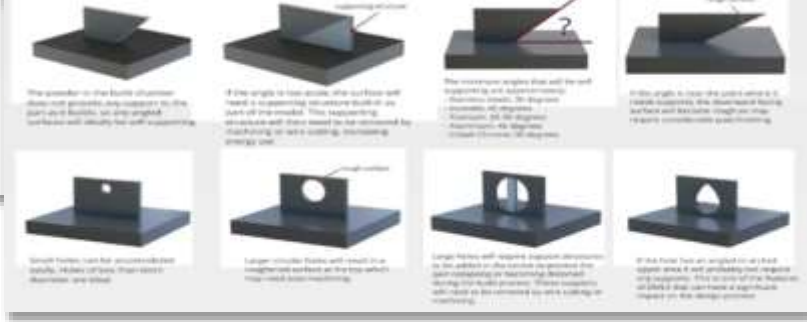
Types of support



Downward facing surfaces



Angled surfaces and holes



How to consider the NEW Manufacturing Constraints?

Overhang angle Constraint

In general supports represent a problem:

- Wasted material
- Time consuming
- Influence the surface finish
- Manual operation

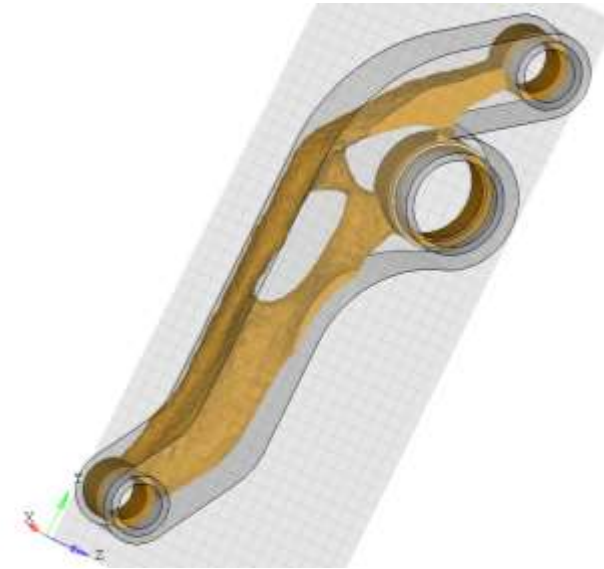


Initial design "Free" No manufacturing constraint

**Minimise Support Structure by Overhang Angle Control
45° respect to Building Direction**



Building
Direction



Expansion to third party software

Altair's business model allows for programs such as the [Altair Partner Alliance \(APA\)](#)

Third Party Organizations' products are included under the Altair licensing for [seamless access by customers](#)

No additional costs for customers

[92%](#) of customers who have access to APA have downloaded an APA product

[600](#) companies downloaded a product they'd never tried before just in 2016

50 signed partners and 1500+ companies with APA access to date



Process Exploration via APA softwares

In ALM process simulation Altair can offer different softwares to manage model reconstruction and process simulation.



Fast and advanced
geometry reconstruction
starting from STL



Process simulation
(Meso and Macro scale)



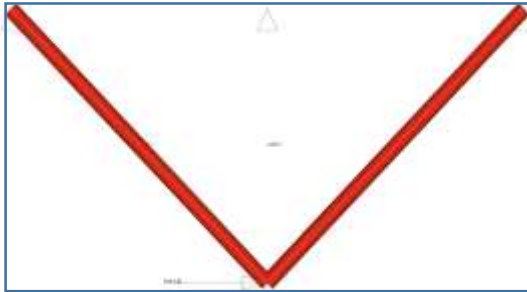
Process simulation
(Macro scale) with
Inherent Strain Approach

Robust Design

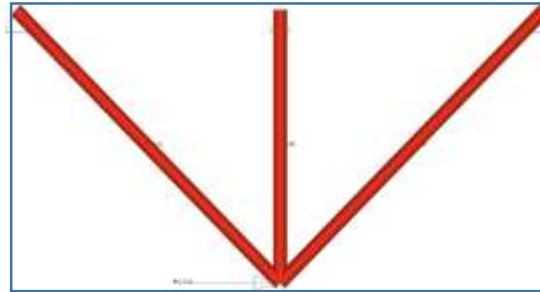
Fail Safe

- A fail safe design is one that in an event of failure, responds or results in a way that will cause no or minimum harm
- Fail-safe structure must support 80-100% limit loads without catastrophic failure (*Airframe structural design by Michael NIU*)

Not failsafe

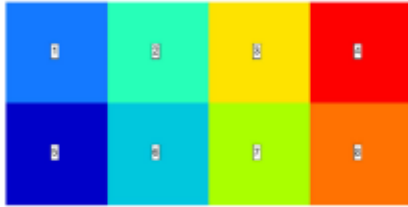


Failsafe

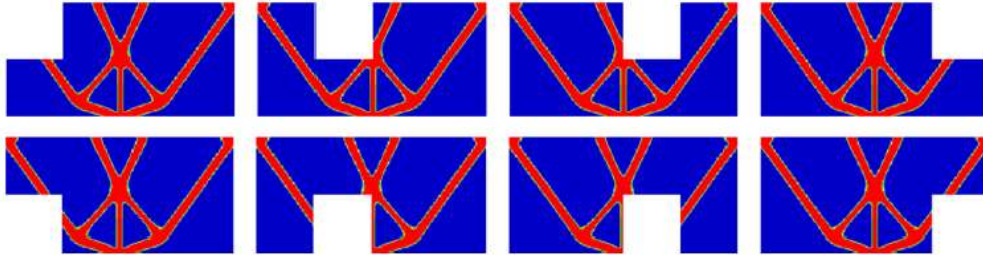


Delta airlines flight 1288, the aircraft suffered an engine explosion however the rest of the plane remained controllable and the most passengers survived unharmed.

Fail Safe Optimization



Setting damage Zones in all the design space



Create several models with defects.
Each variation has to fits the topology optimization requests

Final results is the Optimal compromise
amongst all the defected variations
Redundant load-path

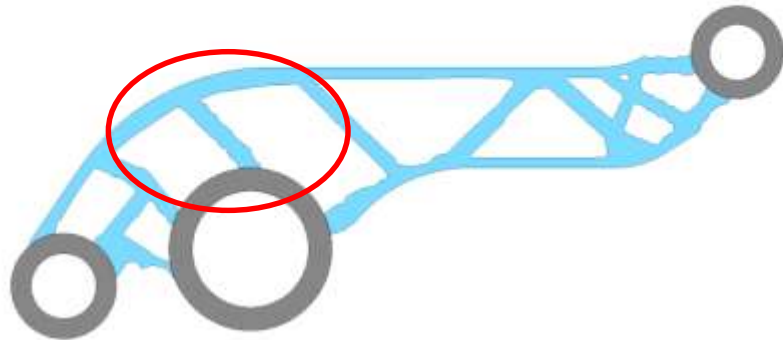


Fail Safe Optimization



Classic Topology Optimization

Introducing «Defect zones» inside the Design space

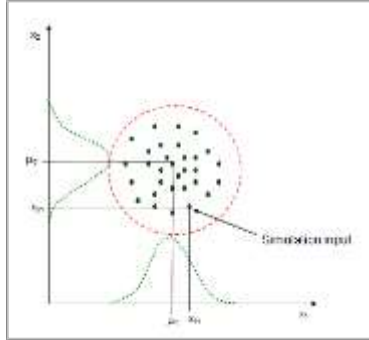
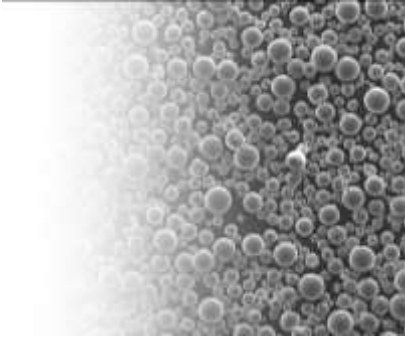


Fail Safe Optimization



Different Load-paths
Redundant members

Robust Design – Topology Optimization (RBTO)



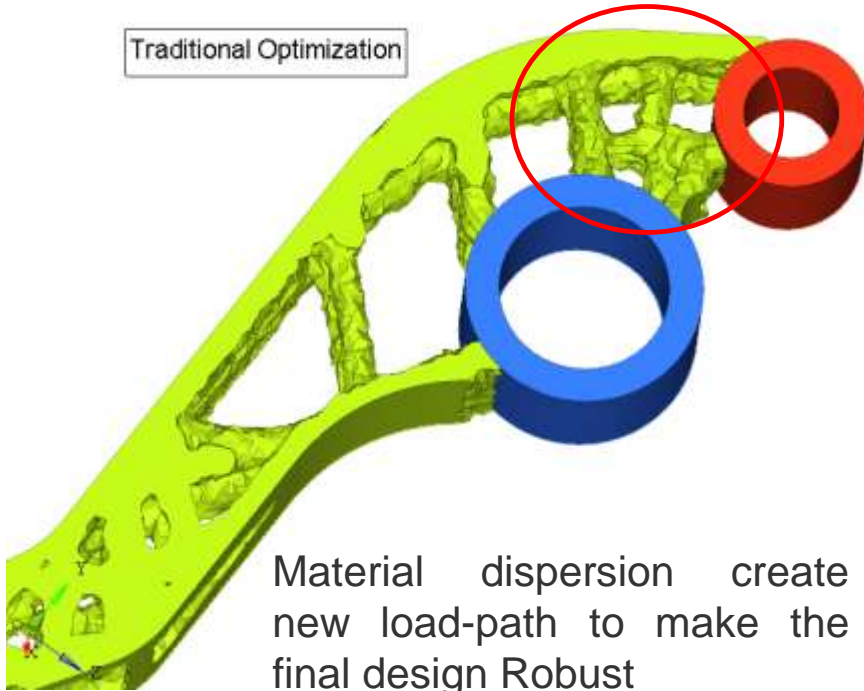
Due to manufacturing process we introduce a set of variable parameters like:

- UTS of the material
- Young Modulus
- Orthotropy (before Heat treatment)

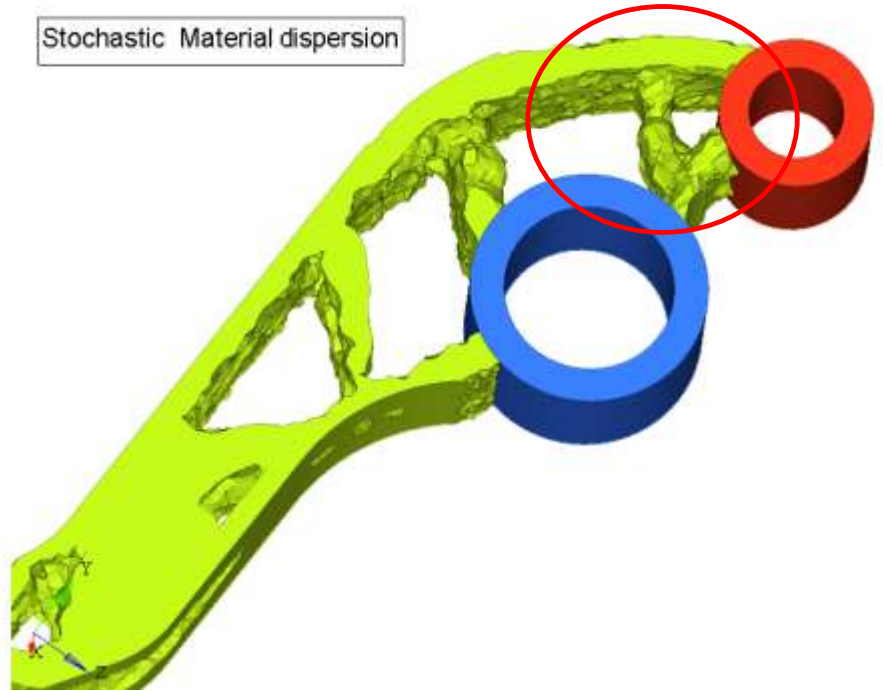
We need to switch to deterministic approach to Stochastic approach since the very beginning as Topology Optimization

Robust Design – Topology Optimization (RBTO)

Traditional Optimization

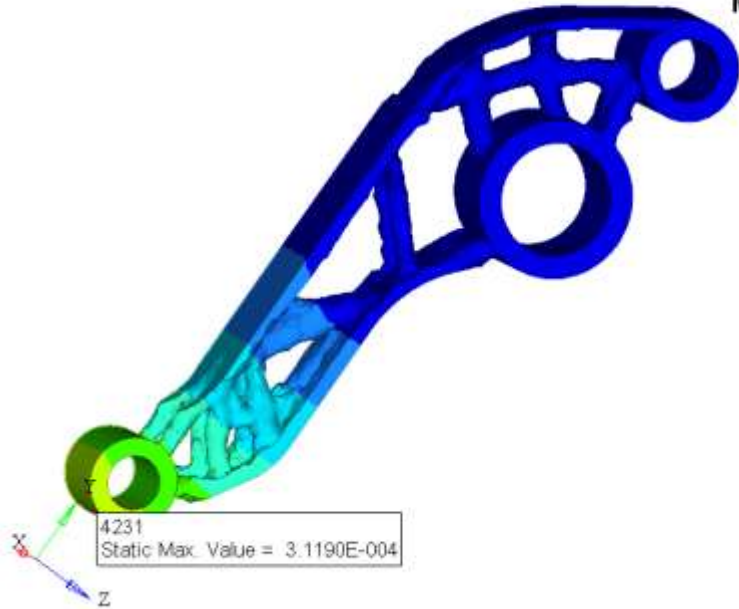


Stochastic Material dispersion

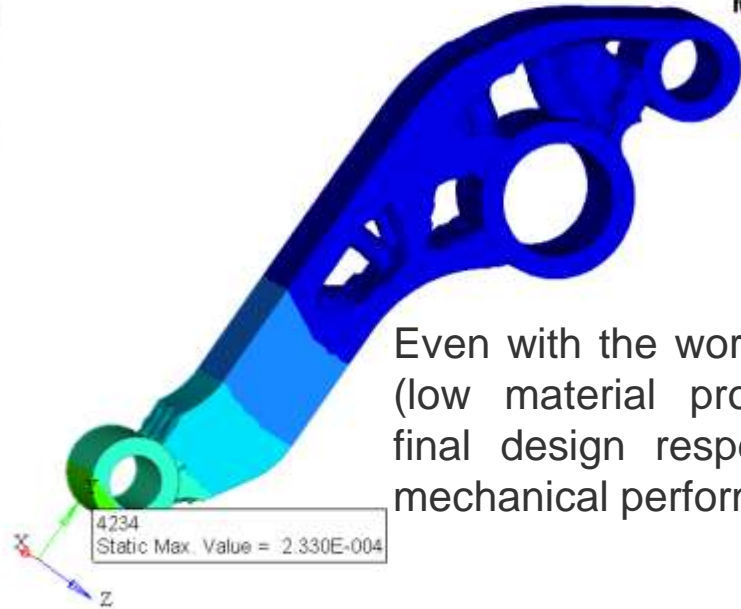


Robust Design – Validation

STANDARD_OPTIMIZATION
LOAD= 1000N
YOUNG=116.5Gpa
OBJ=MIN MASS
MAX DISPL=0.5mm

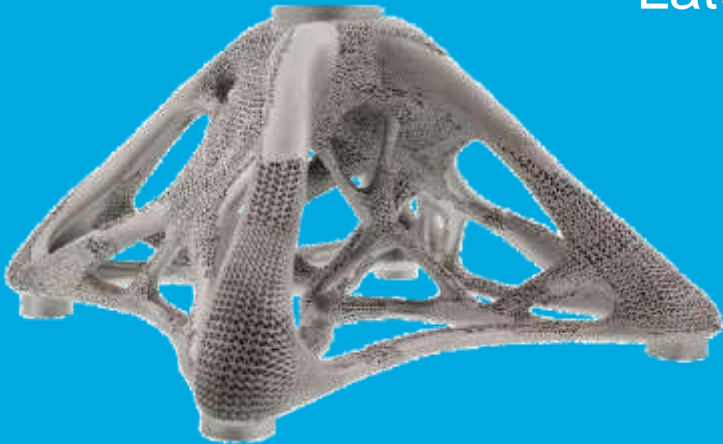


RBTO RESULT VARIABLE MATERIAL
LOAD= 1000N
YOUNG=93.2Gpa
OBJ=MIN MASS
MAX DISPL=0.5mm

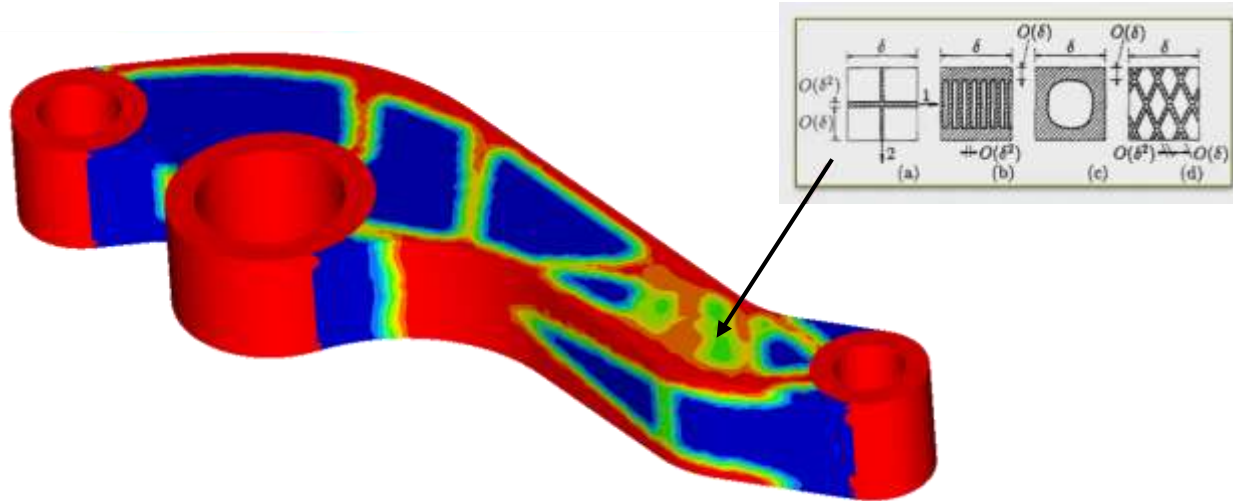


Even with the worst scenario (low material property) the final design respect all the mechanical performances

Lattice Structures



Lattice structures are natural from Topology results

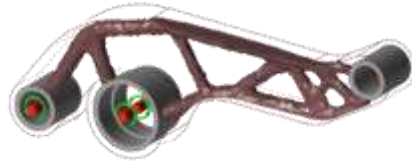


Lattice Structure Workflow

Classic ALM redesign process



Define desing Space



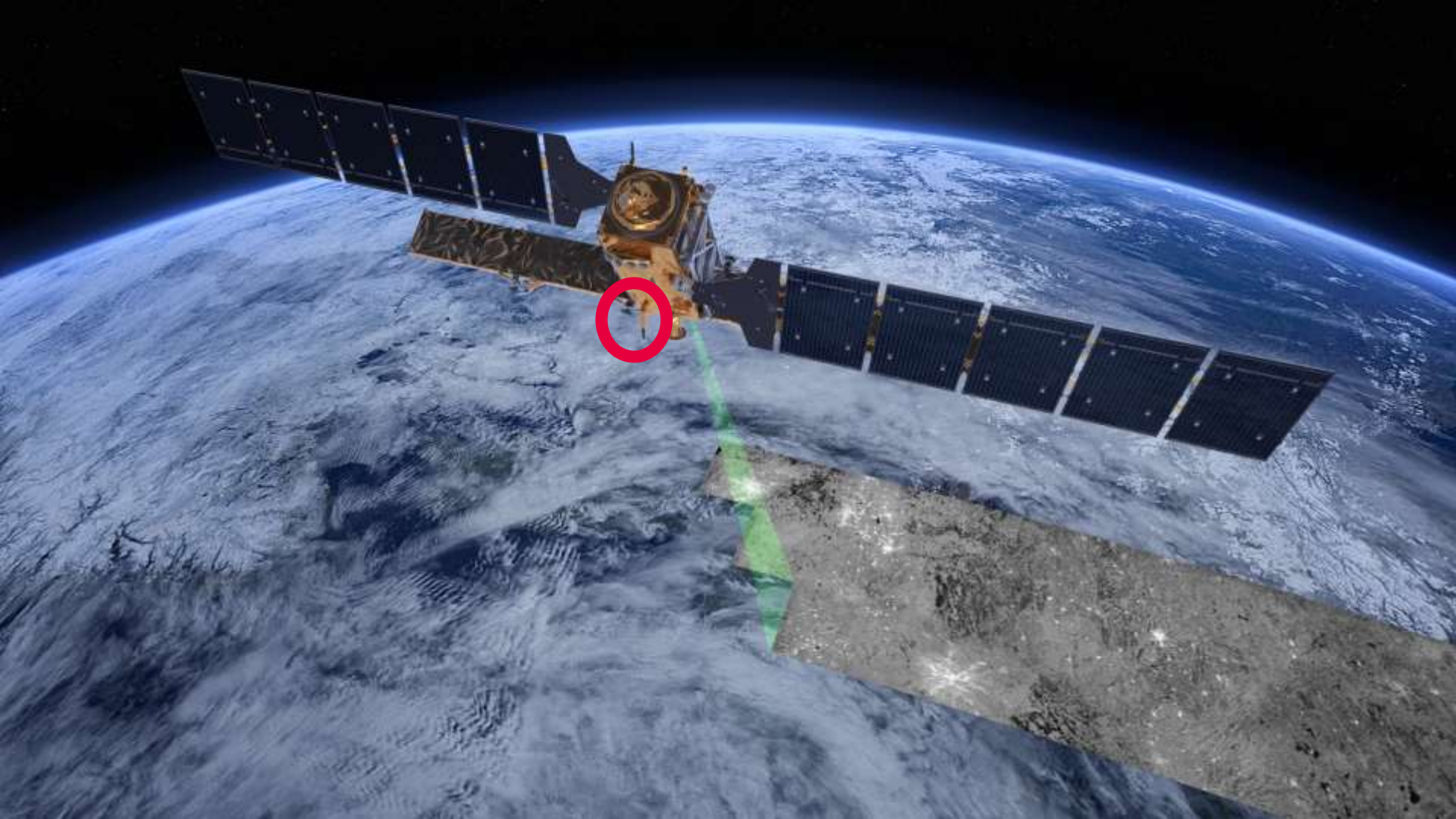
Topology Results



Geometry Interpretation



How all of this becomes REAL



From the Printer into Space



3D Printed Antenna Bracket for Sentinel-1 Satellite:

- **43% weight reduction**
(from 1.626 kg to 0.936 kg)
- Increased Eigen frequency
(70Hz → 90 Hz)
- Improved static behaviour, strength, stiffness, stability

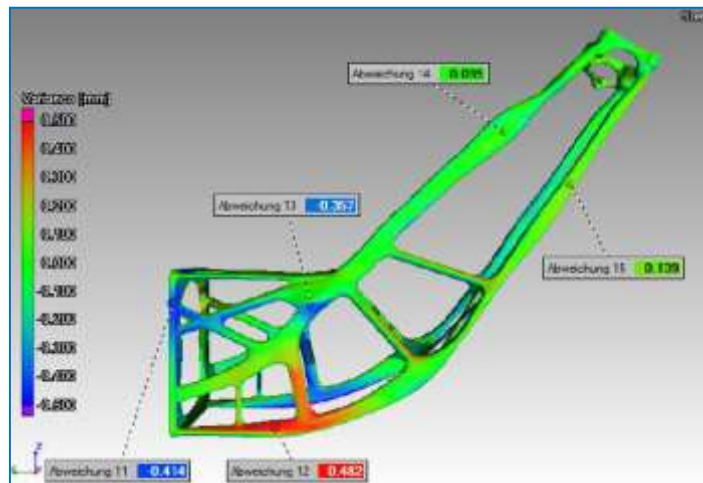
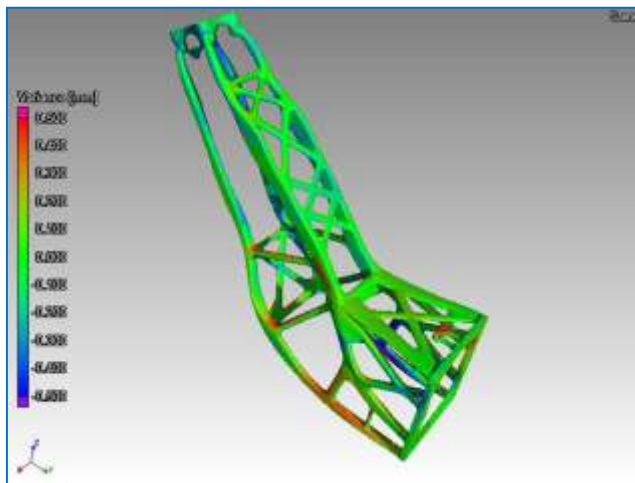
Together
ahead. **RUAG**



Verification



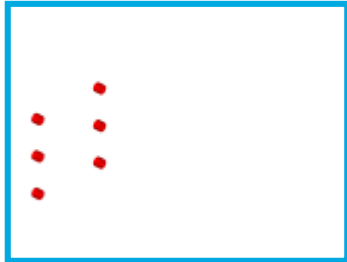
- Comparison of CAD model with physical model through Computer Tomography.
- Scan resolution of 320 μm



Design process summary

Design

- Functional analysis
- Topology optimization
- CAD Interpretation
- Size/Shape optimization
- Detail stress analysis



Manufacturing

- Optimization
- Post-Processing
- Samples definition
- Process control



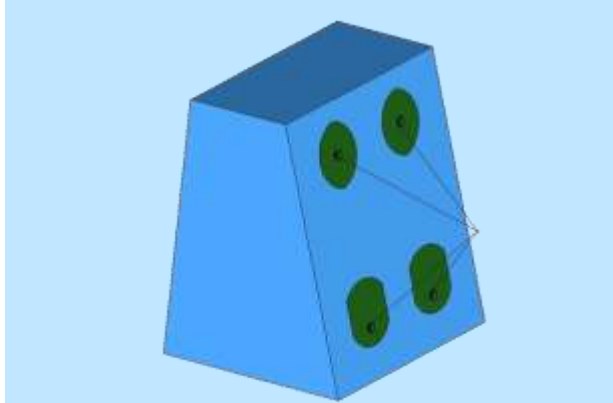
Verification / Testing

- Quality control
- Test definition
- Qualification testing
- Model correlation



42% Weight save

Camera bracket – Optimization model and problem definition



- Material: **Titanium**
- Package Space Defined by Airframe Compartment
- Non-Design Regions to Accommodate Fixings
- Loading and Boundary Conditions Consistent with Baseline
 - Lateral
 - Longitudinal
 - Modal

Objective**Minimise Mass****Constraints**

First Mode Natural Frequency
Longitudinal Displacement
Lateral Displacement

Design process summary

