



# 2018 VR&D Users Conference

*Experiences in Design Optimization*

## ***VR&D Products and Recent Updates***

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## Outline

- Introduction: Why use optimization?
- VR&D Products & New Features
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  - GENESIS
  - GTAM/GSAM
  - ESLDYNA
  - Design Studio
- Creo Topology Optimization Extension
- Summary



## Introduction: Why Use Optimization?

**To more efficiently and economically design products  
that are:**

**Safer, Lighter, Stiffer and Stronger**



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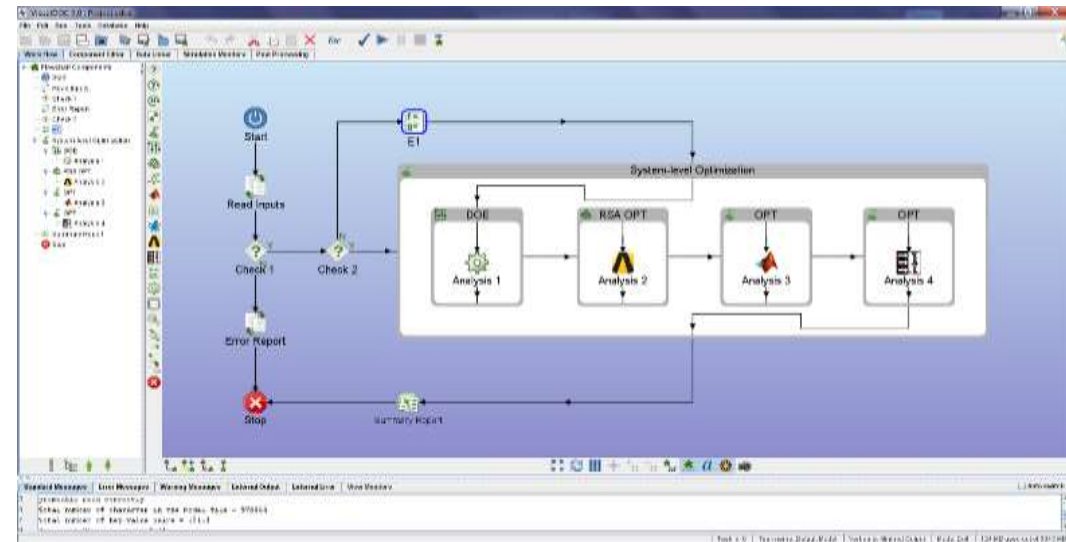
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## VisualDOC

- A general purpose multi-disciplinary design, optimization, design studies in a single simulation and process integration software
- Can add design modules to almost any analysis program (e.g. GENESIS, NASTRAN, ANSYS, LS-Dyna, FLUENT, STAR-CD, etc.)
- Multi-level/multiple disciplines



**NOT** a Collection of Public Domain Software

Our Software is Written by VR&D

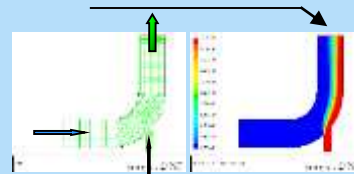
## VisualDOC

- History

1975; COPES Control Program for Engineering Synthesis

1992; DOC Design Optimization Control

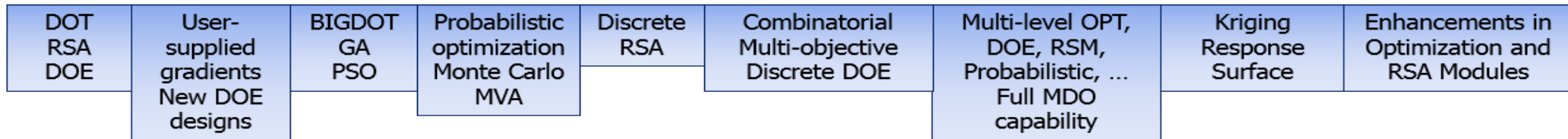
1998; VisualDOC GUI Based Multidiscipline Design Optimization



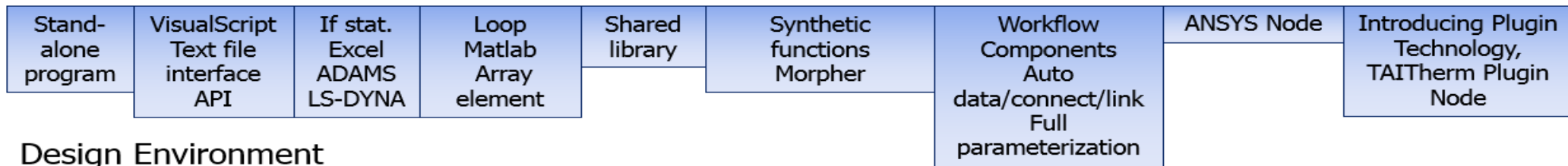


## Evolution of VisualDOC

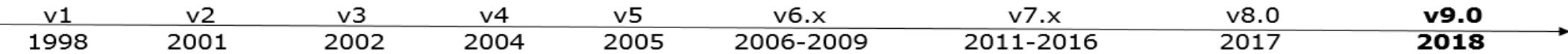
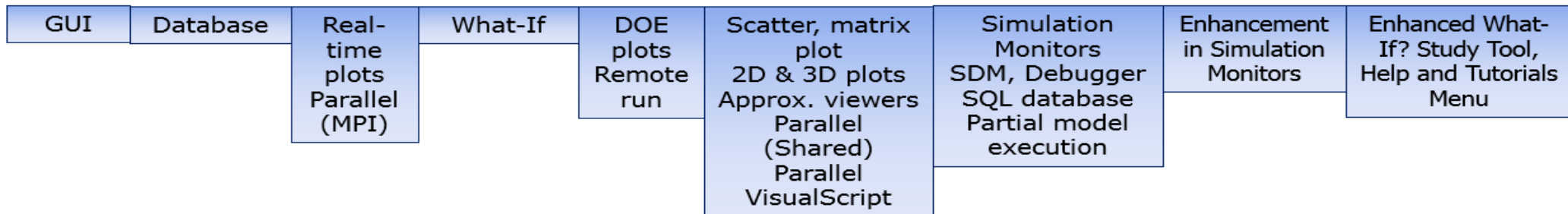
### Design Modules



### Process Integration

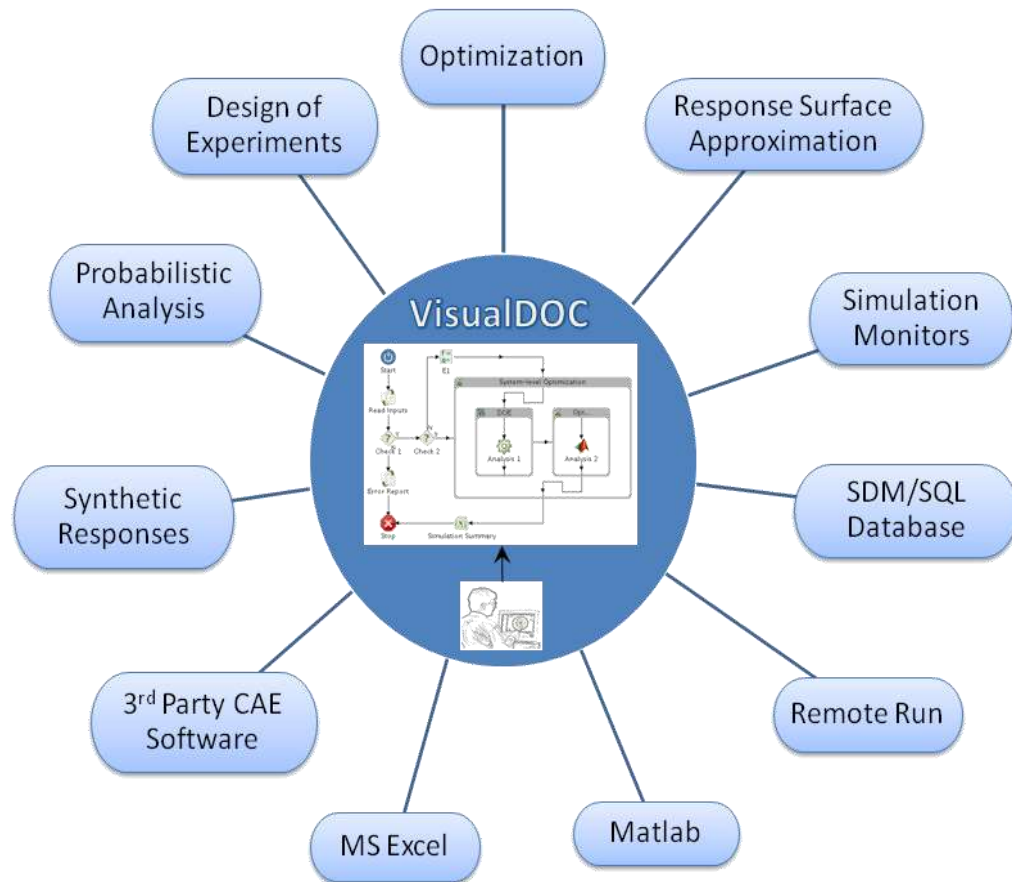


### Design Environment





## VisualDOC



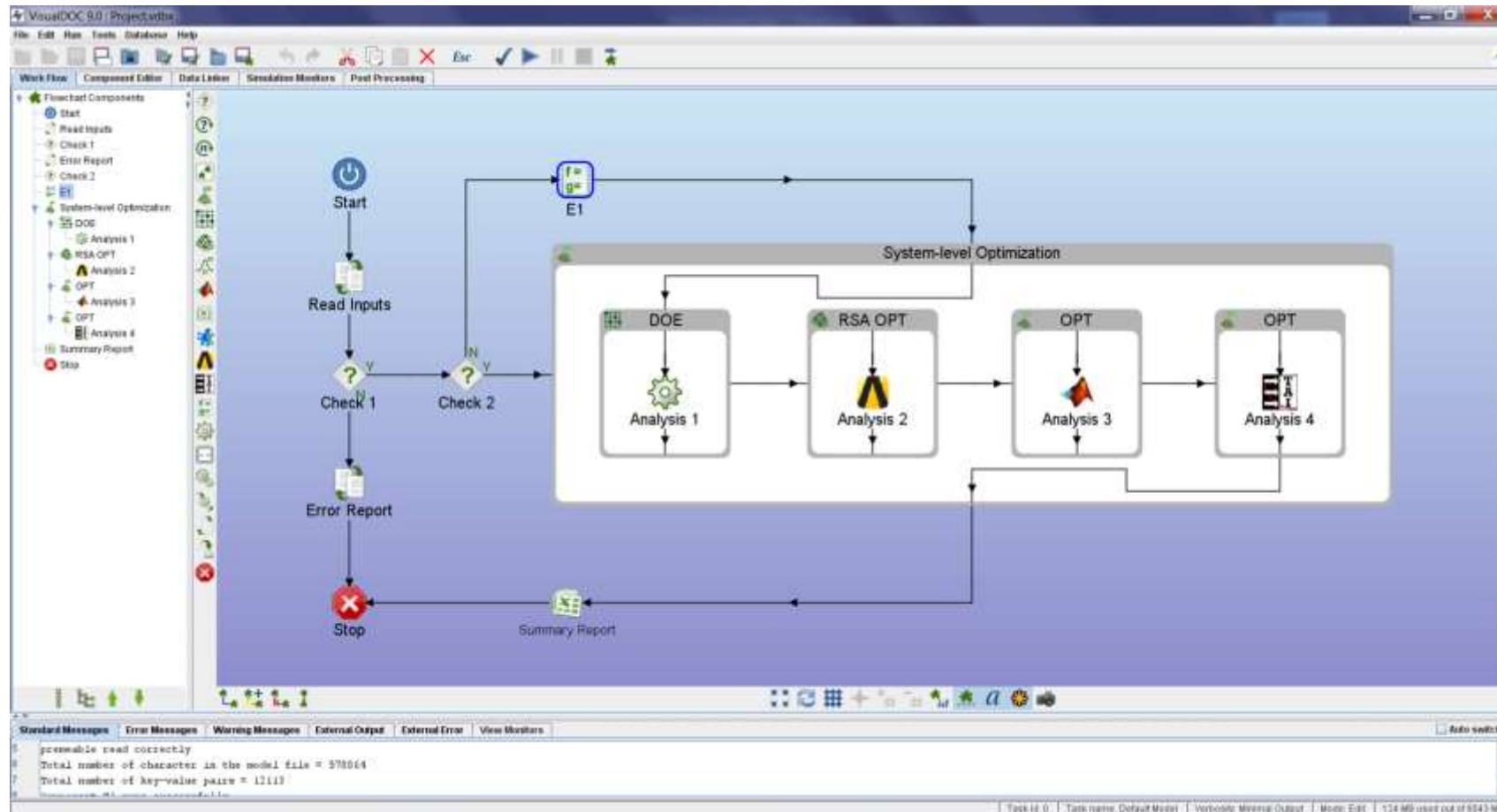
### Components in VisualDOC

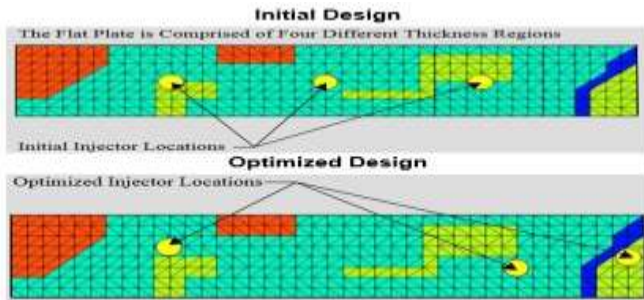




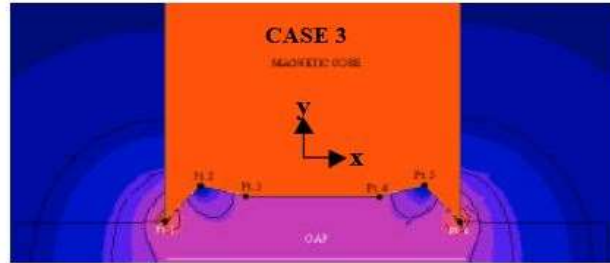
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## VisualDOC Interface

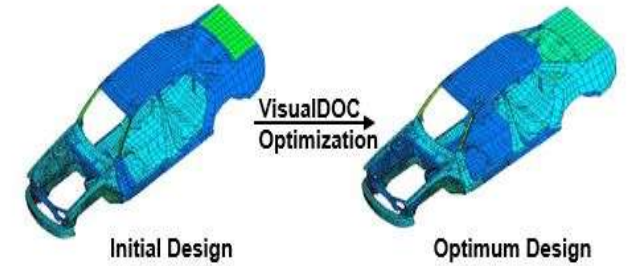




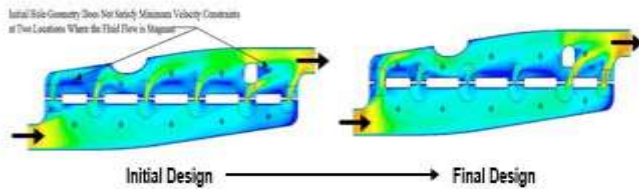
**Polymer Injector Location Optimization**



**Magnetic Flux Gap Density Optimization - VisualDOC/FLUX2D**



**Structural Optimization – VisualDOC/GENESIS**



**Geometric Fluid Hole Location Optimization - VisualDOC/FLUENT**

## Applications

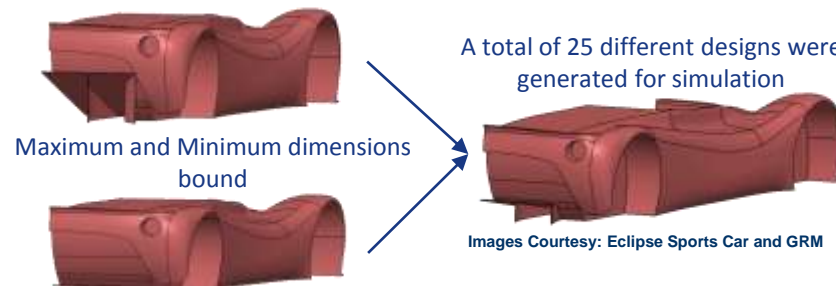


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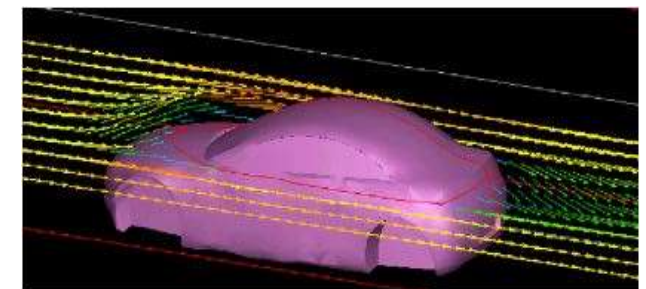
**Rocket Nozzle Optimization**



**Turbomachinery Component Optimization – VisualDOC/CFX**



**Diffuser Geometry Optimization**



**Aerodynamic shape Design of a Car Body – VisualDOC+ SC/Tetra + Think 3**



## Why VisualDOC?

### Why is VisualDOC your best Choice?

Many reasons. Here are just a few:

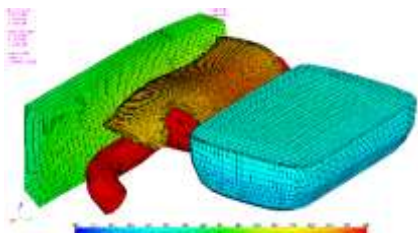
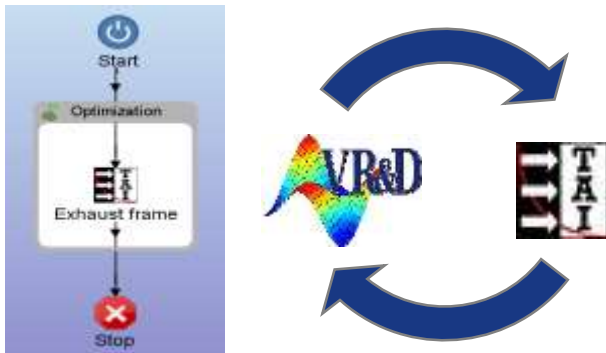
	Optimizers	Process Integration	DOE	Ease of Use	Real-time Design Monitors	Integration with VR&D Products
VisualDOC	DOT <sup>1</sup> BIGDOT <sup>1</sup>	Intuitive flowchart Automatic linkages Flexible components	13+ sampling designs	Comprehensive data checks Debug options Reusability of components	Monitors added/modified at any design stage, flexible in dimensions and chart types	Yes (GENESIS component)
Competitors	?	Most of them have rigid formats and manual links	Most of them offer limited DOE sampling	Most of them offer no debug options	Most of them have fixed format	Most of them not

<sup>1</sup> Developed by VR&D and Continuously Enhanced



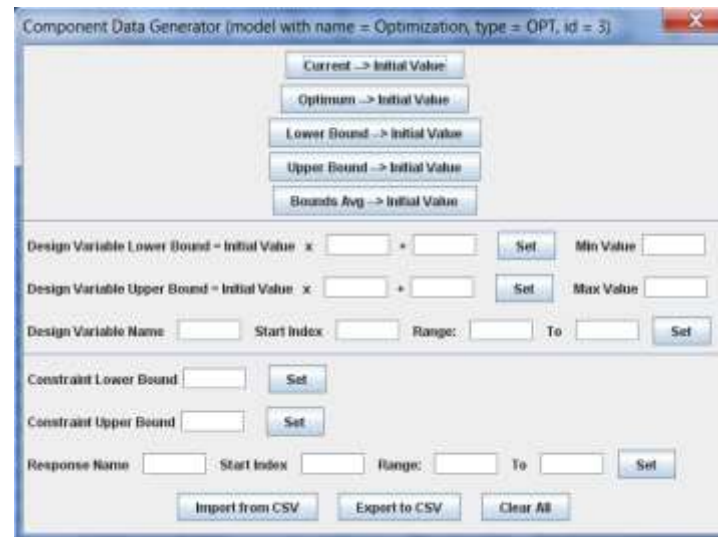
## VisualDOC 9.0 - New Features

### TAITherm Component



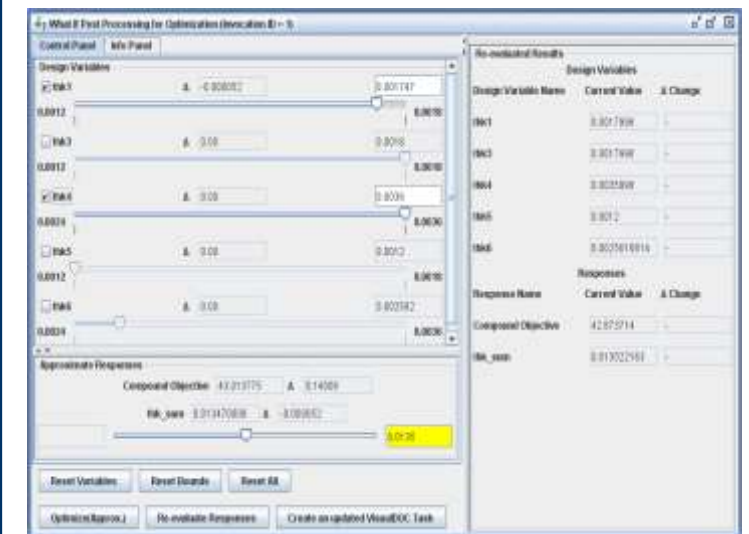
Exhaust Frame Optimization

### Component Data Generator



- Create component data with few clicks.
- Set names of variables with few clicks.
- Import data from csv file
- Export component data and save it in csv format.

### What-If? Study Tool



- Study the influence of small changes in optimization problem definition on the optimum results.
- Perform Approximate optimization.
- Run an actual analysis at the selected design point.



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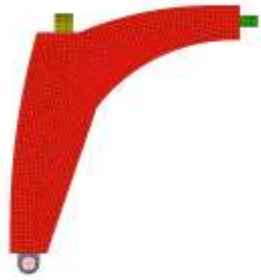
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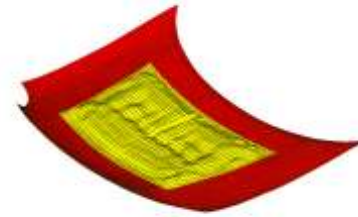
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## Structural Optimization Types in GENESIS

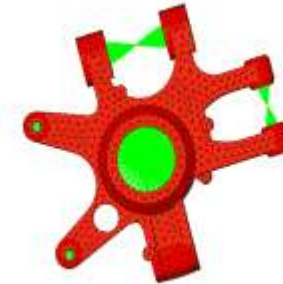
Six Main Types in GENESIS and GSAM



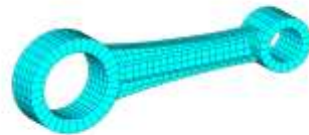
Topology Optimization



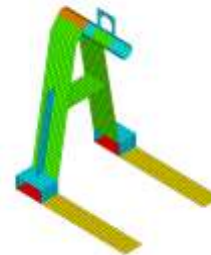
Topography Optimization



Shape Optimization



Freeform Optimization



Sizing Optimization



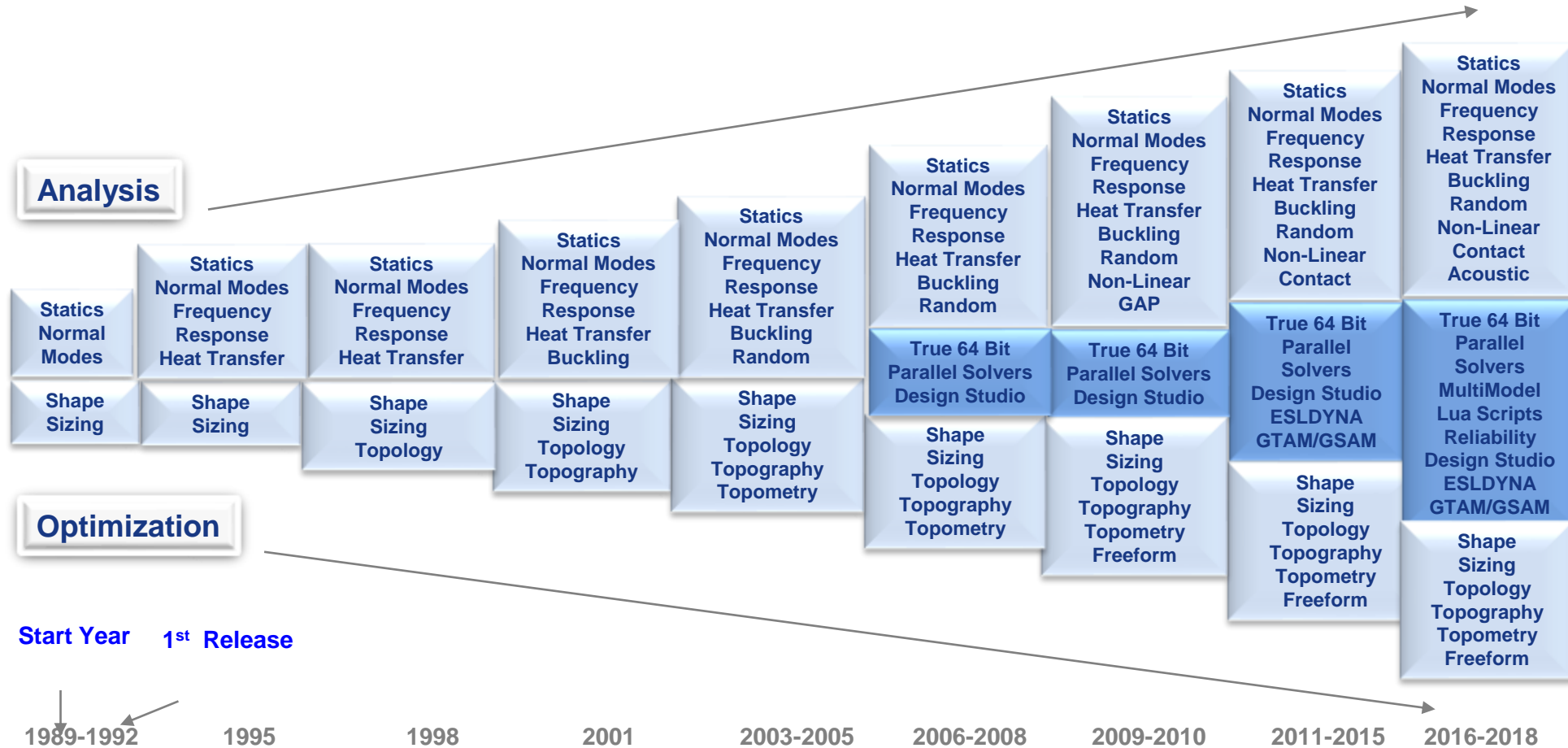
Topometry Optimization





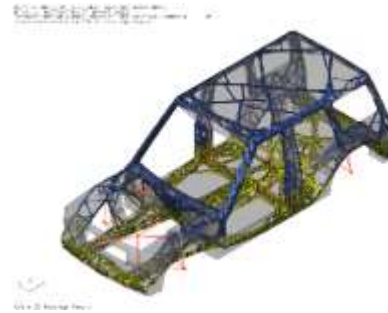
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## GENESIS Evolution





Engine Design

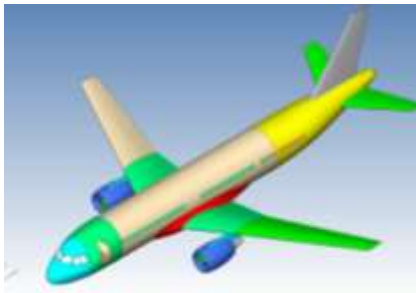


Car body Design



Support Structure

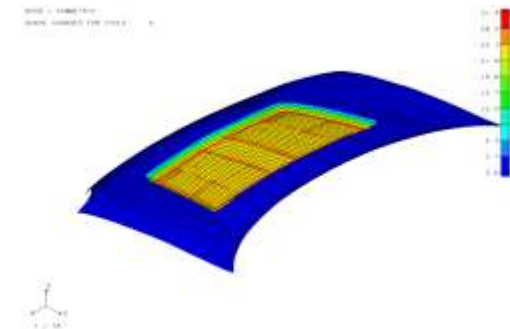
## Applications



Airplane Components



Sport Equipment



Components



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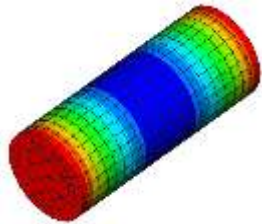
## Why GENESIS?

	Optimizer	Approximations	Topometry	Freeform	Shape
GENESIS	DOT <sup>1</sup> BIGDOT <sup>1</sup> DSCDOT <sup>1</sup> STRDOT <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation Invented by VR&D	Invented by VR&D	Fully Implemented	Built-in Domain Morphing with Distortion Control
Competitor 1	ADS <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Generation	Partially Borrowed	Not available	Only Raw Perturbations
Competitor 2	CONMIN <sup>3</sup>	Borrowed	Partially Borrowed	Partially Implemented	Only Raw Perturbations

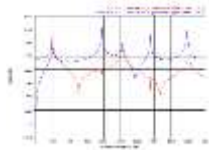
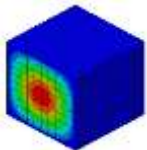
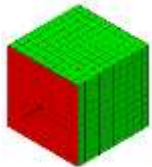
- 1 Developed by VR&D and Continuously Enhanced
- 2 Unsupported 1984 Research Code by Vanderplaats
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## GENESIS 17.0 - New Features

### ANALYSIS



New Acoustic Eigesolver

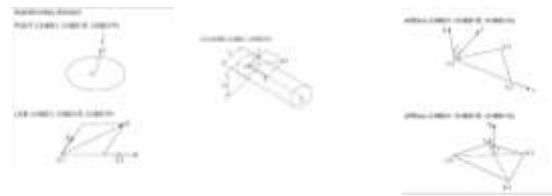


New Fluid-Structure Interactin Solver

### New Format

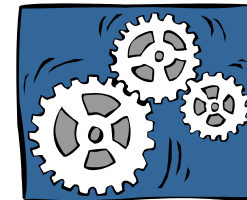


New Format for Scaler Elements



New Format for Heat Transfer Elements

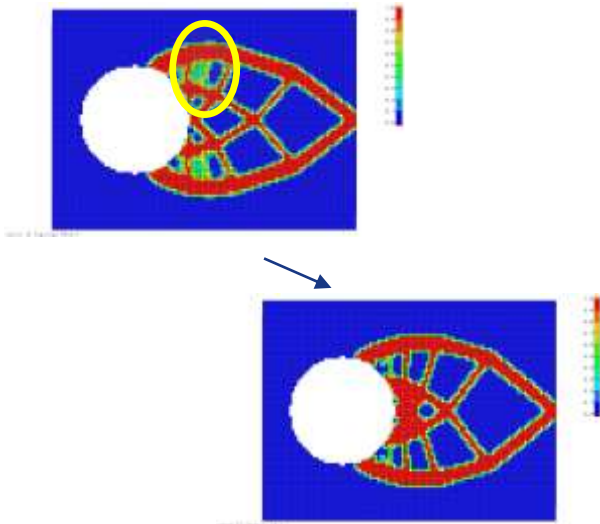
### Optimization



New Optimizer: CMBDOT

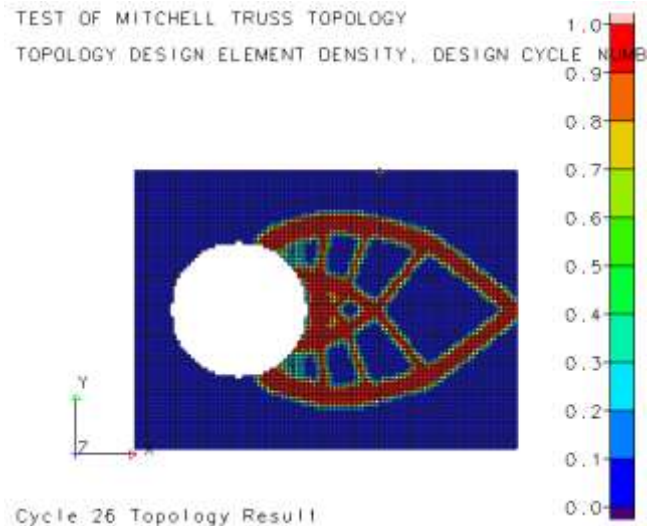
## GENESIS 17.0 - New Features

### New Progressive Rule



Interior Fuzziness eliminated

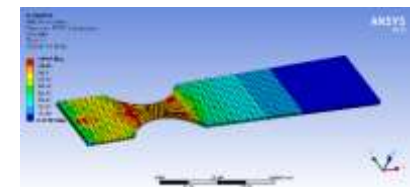
### New Hybrid Method



### Optimization



New Global Von mises Index



New Von mises PSD/RMS Random Responses: In GENESIS and GTAM/GSAM




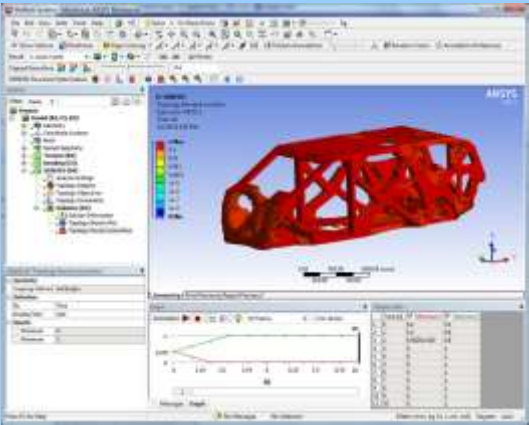
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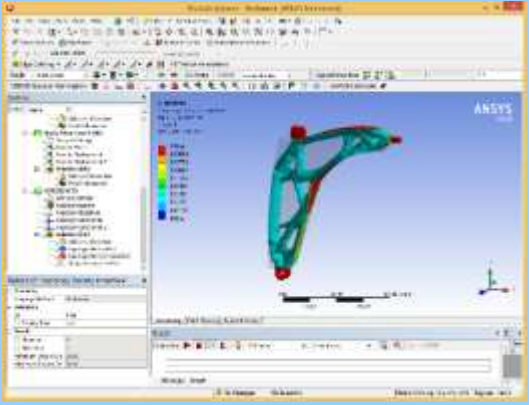


## GENESIS Integration With ANSYS Mechanical

**GTAM**

**GENESIS  
Topology  
Optimization  
for ANSYS  
Mechanical**

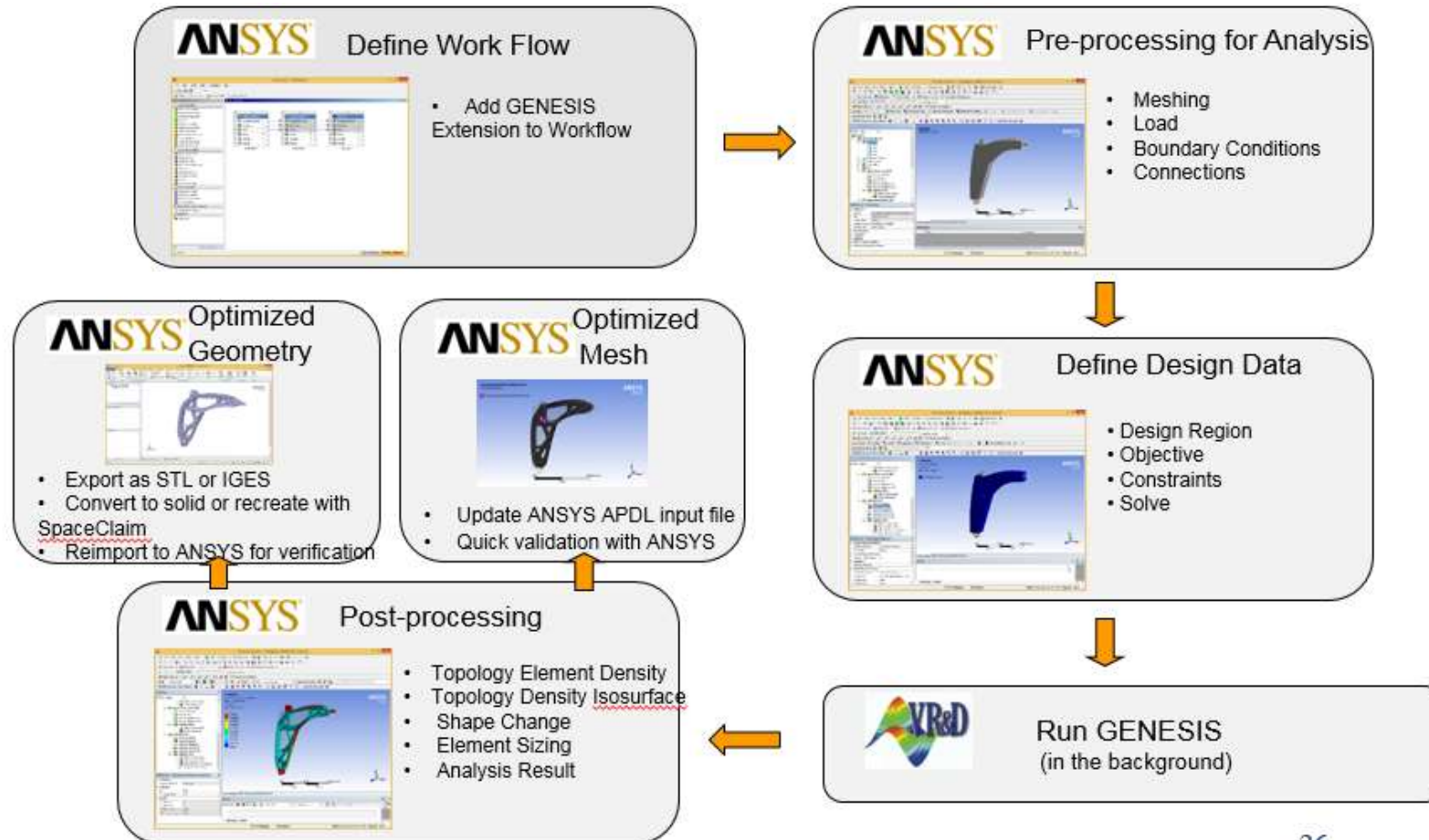
  


**GSAM**

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Mechanical**



## GTAM/GSAM Process

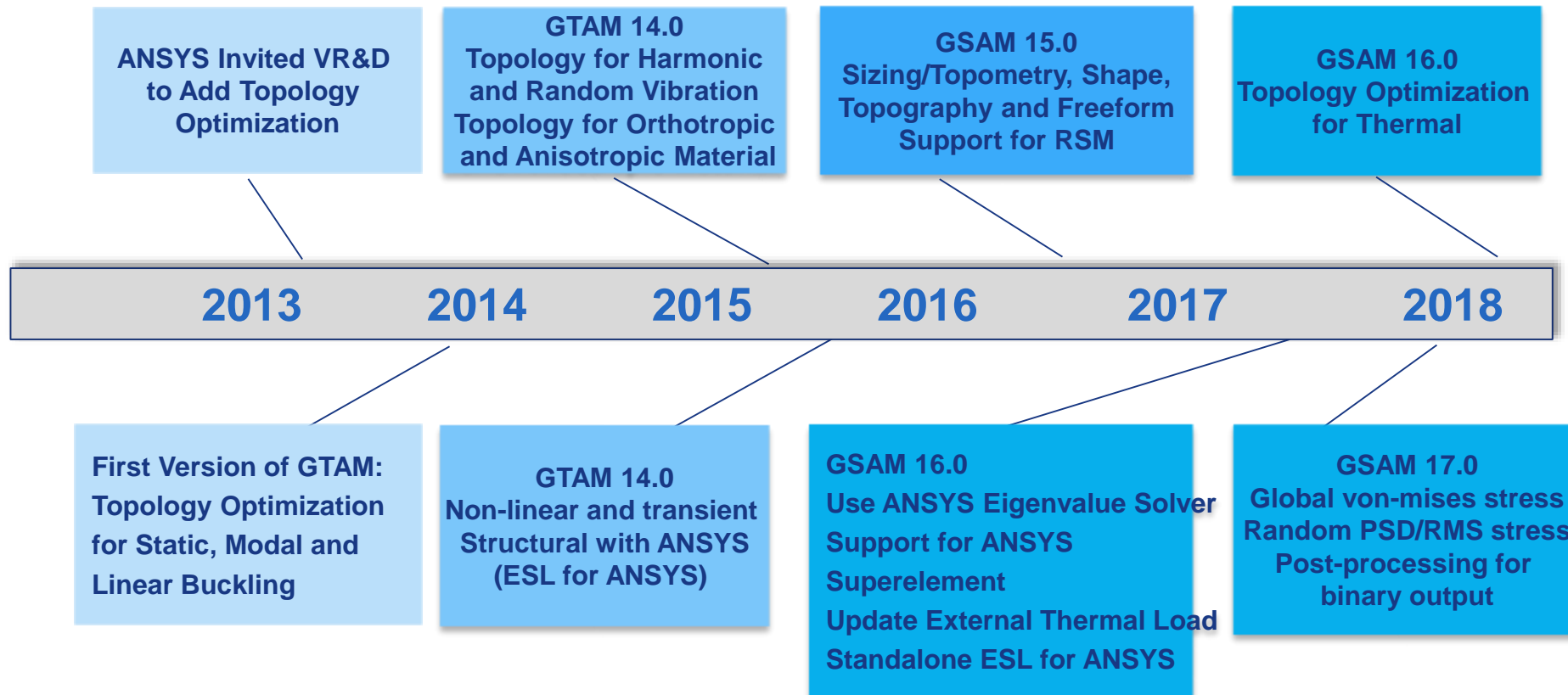






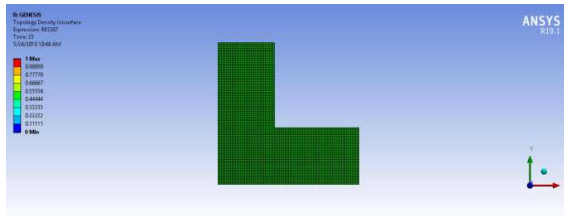
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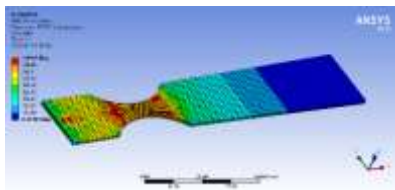


## GTAM/GSAM 17.0 - New Features

### ANALYSIS

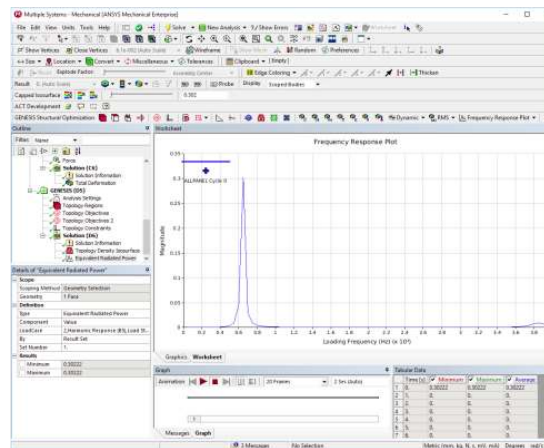
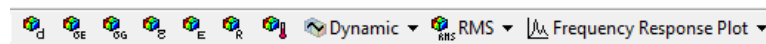


New Global von Misses Index



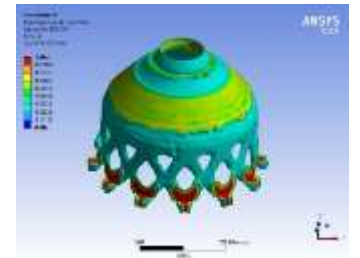
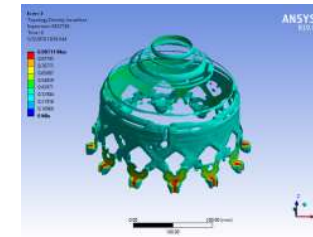
New Von mises PSD/RMS Random Responses

### New Postprocessing



ERP

### Optimization



New Topology Rule



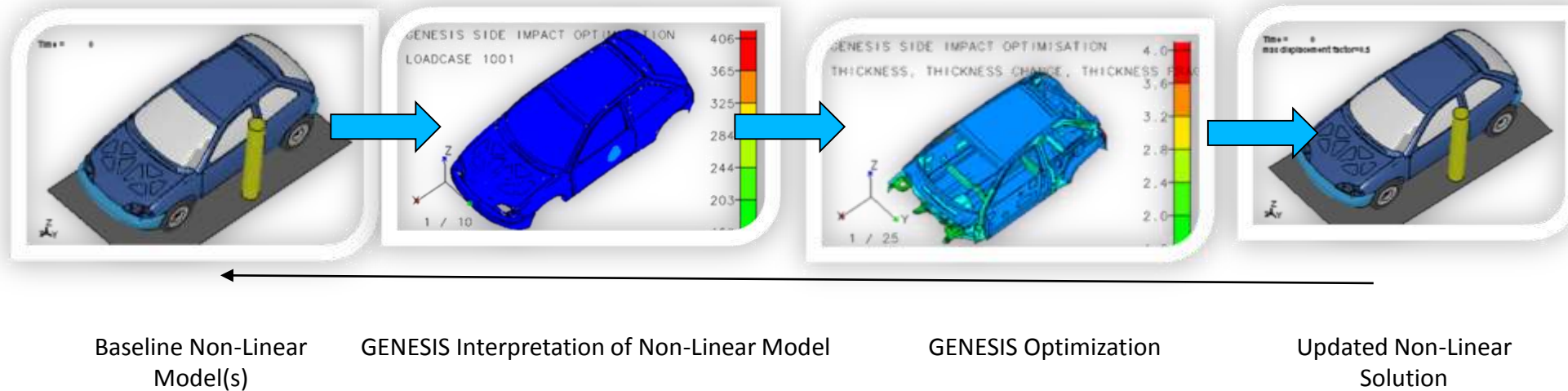
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## ESLDYNA

### Extends GENESIS Optimization to LS-DYNA





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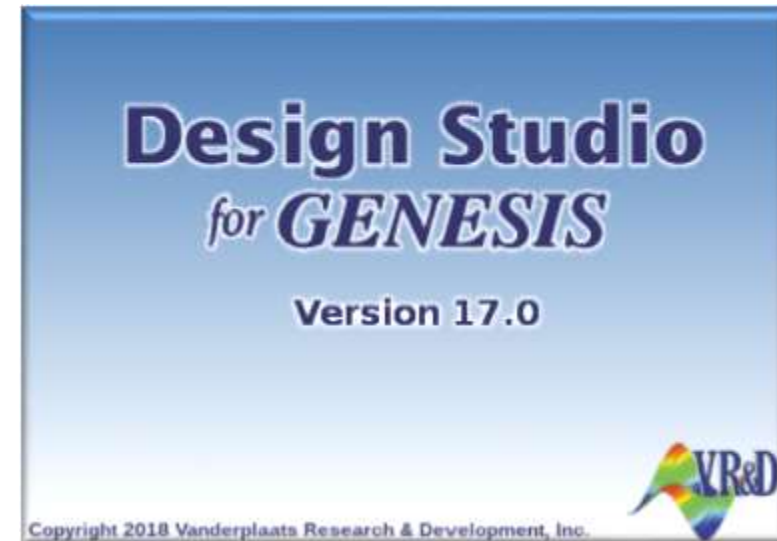
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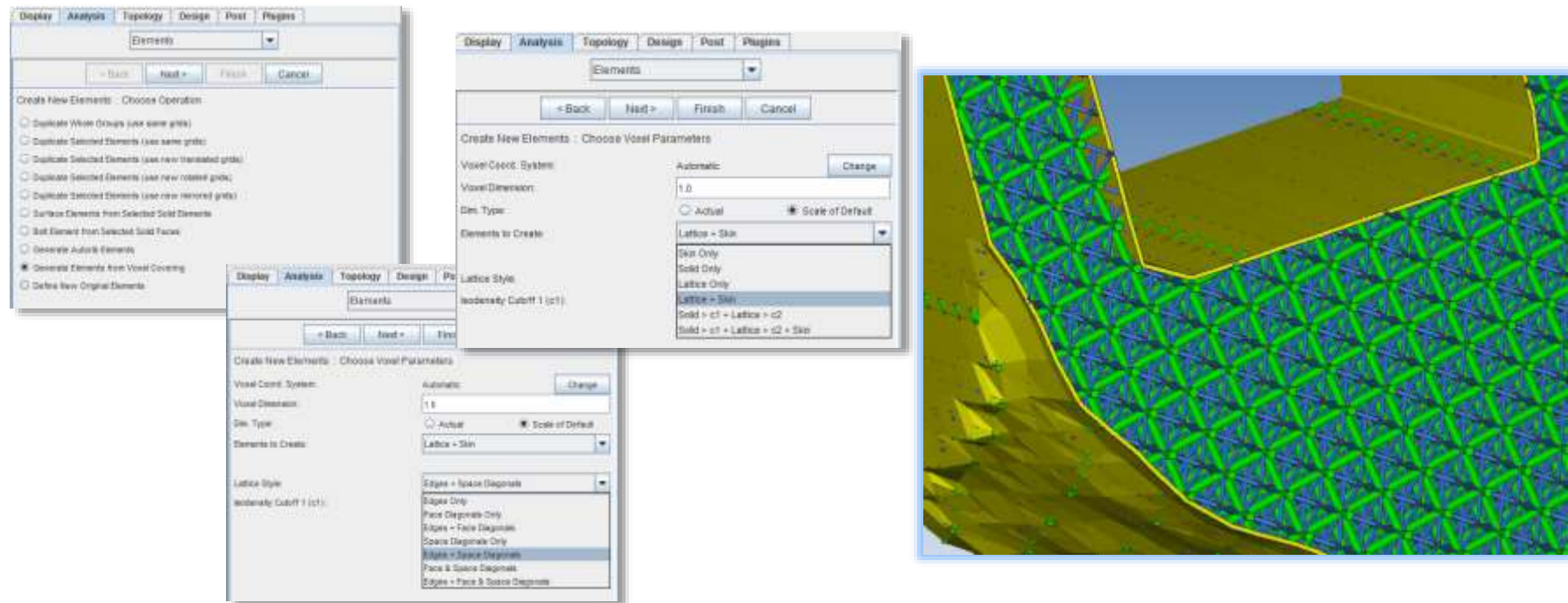
## Design Studio Enhancements in 17.0

- Import/Export the View Catalog
- Pick Grids Along a Feature Line
- Renumber Item Edit Menu/Toolbar Button
- Create Elements from Voxel Covering
- Analysis Data Edit Enhancements
- Postprocessing Enhancements



## Create Elements from Voxel Covering

- Create Solid Elements and/or Lattice Bars
- Can Use Topology Result

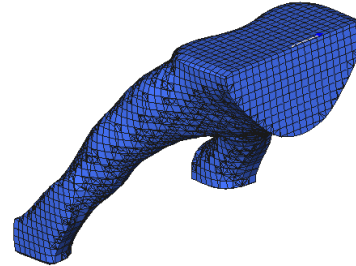




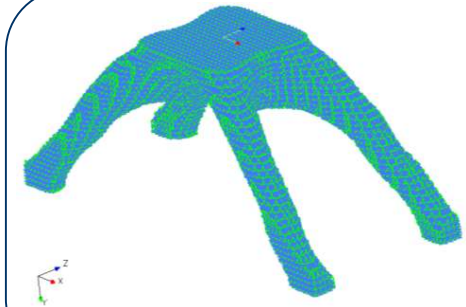
## Lattice and/or Shell and/or Solid Topology Results



Skin mesh created



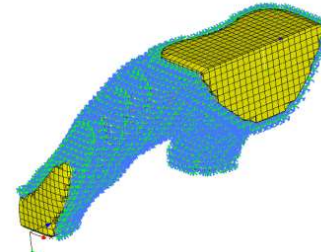
Solid mesh created



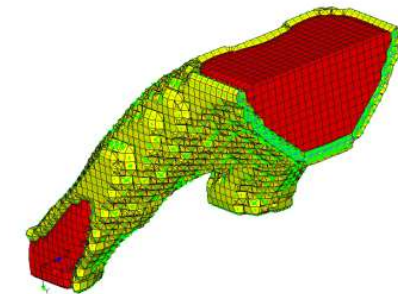
Lattice mesh created



Skin and lattice mesh created



Solid and lattice mesh created

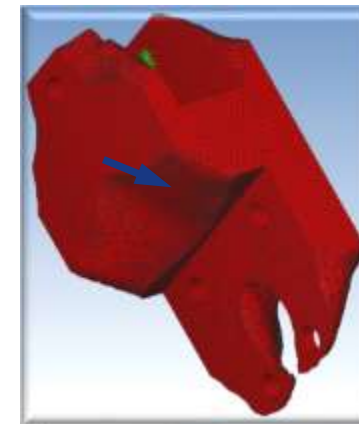
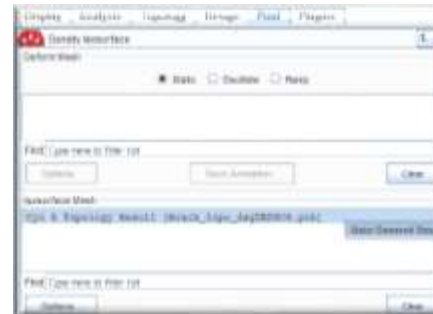
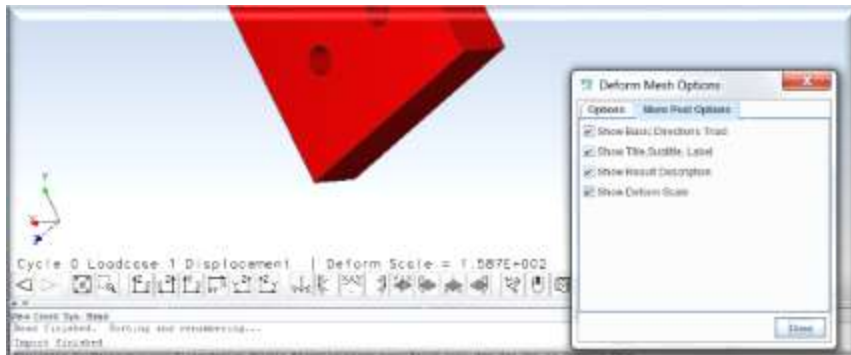


Skin & shell and solid mesh created



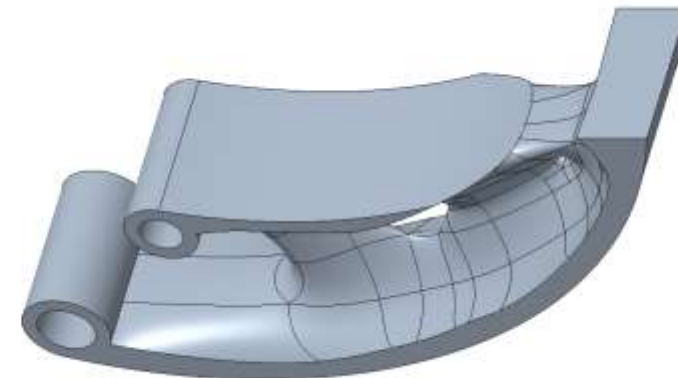
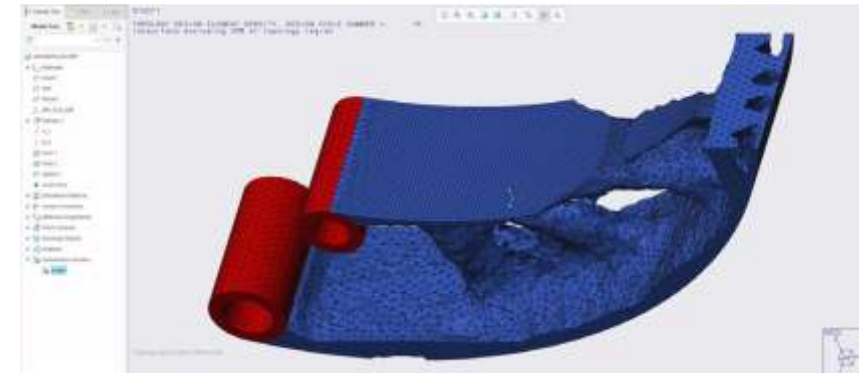
## Postprocessing Enhancements

- Deform Scale in Viewport
- New Synthetic Result Functions
- Pick Feature Bounded Surface in Color Mesh
- Show/Hide Chart Windows



## Creo Topology Optimization Extension (PTC)

- Features and Benefits
  - Ease-of-use, including the familiar Creo UI and workflow
  - Fast optimization set-up
  - Rapidly convert topology optimization results into rich CAD data
  - Define manufacturing constraints for additive as well as traditional manufacturing process
  - Structural, modal, and thermal analysis



The standard output of the Topology Optimization can be converted to a solid model in the form of a Creo freestyle feature. STL format is another option.



## Summary

- VR&D has a powerful and robust portfolio of optimization products
- VisualDOC provides extensive MDO capabilities that can be used with practically any analysis program
- GENESIS/GTAM/GSAM/ESLDYNA can efficiently solve large scale structural optimization problems
- Design Studio is a powerful GUI for GENESIS



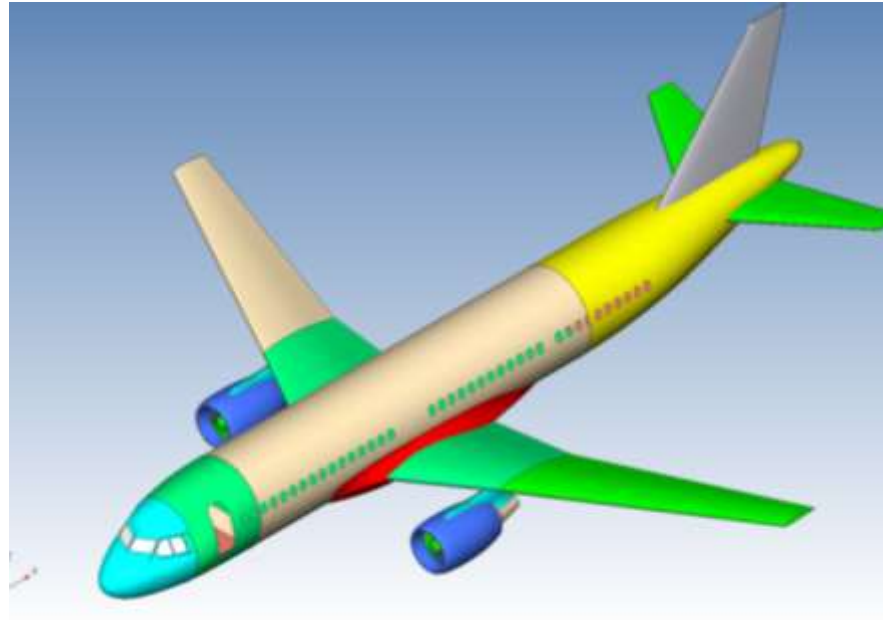
## Concluding Remarks

- VR&D Products are Continuously Being Improved for Functionality
- Numerous User-Requested Features has been Added and Described



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Thank You





## Appendix

- Additional Slides



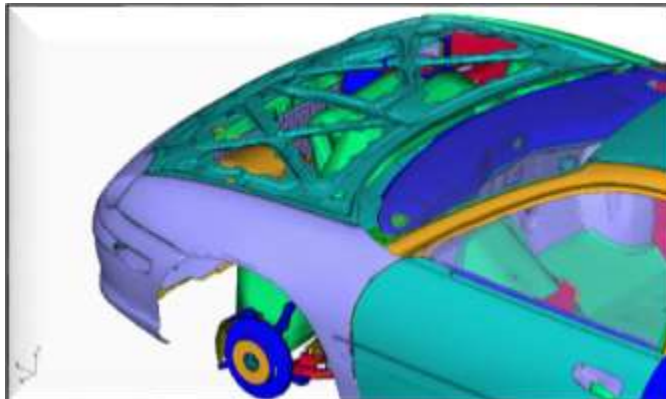
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## SMS - A Fast Eigenvalue Solver

	Eigenvalue Method	Elapsed Time (seconds)	Disk Usage (Gb)	Speed-up
NASTRAN	Lanczos	26370	29	1
GENESIS	SMS	1485	16	18



Over 18 Times Faster than NASTRAN Lanczos

Built-in GENESIS  
Available in DMAPs for MSC/NASTRAN

Speed-up of 10 x typical for most applications





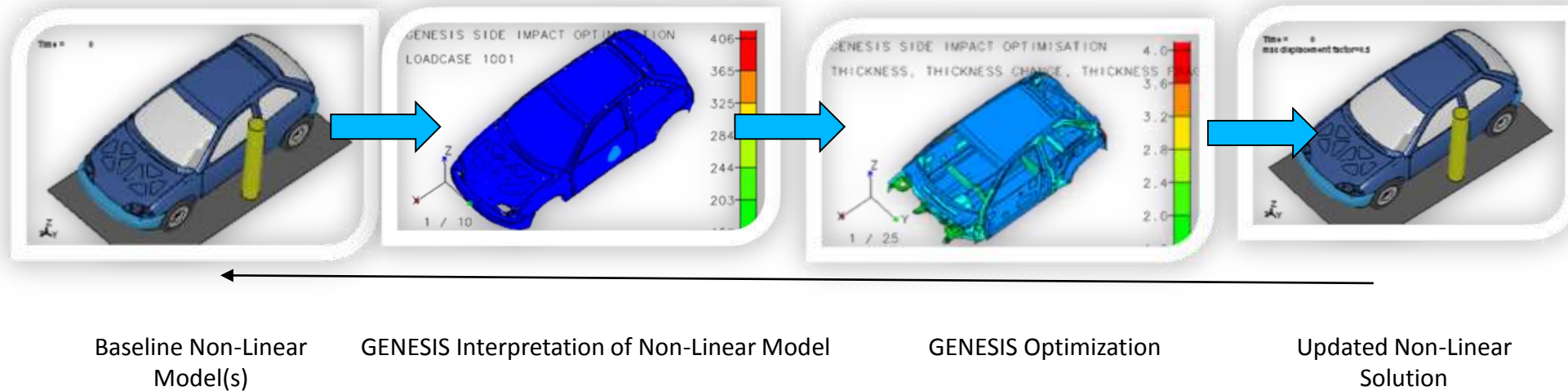
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## Complimentary Product Lines

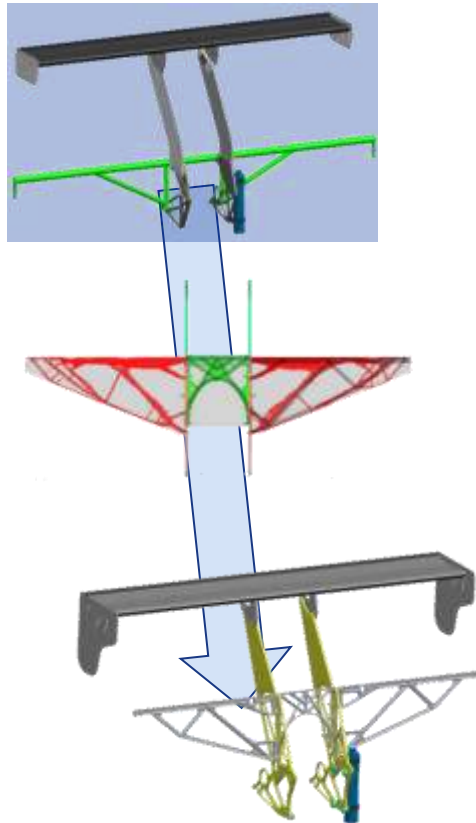
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## ESLDYNA

### Extends GENESIS Optimization to LS-DYNA



## Wing Frame Topology Optimization

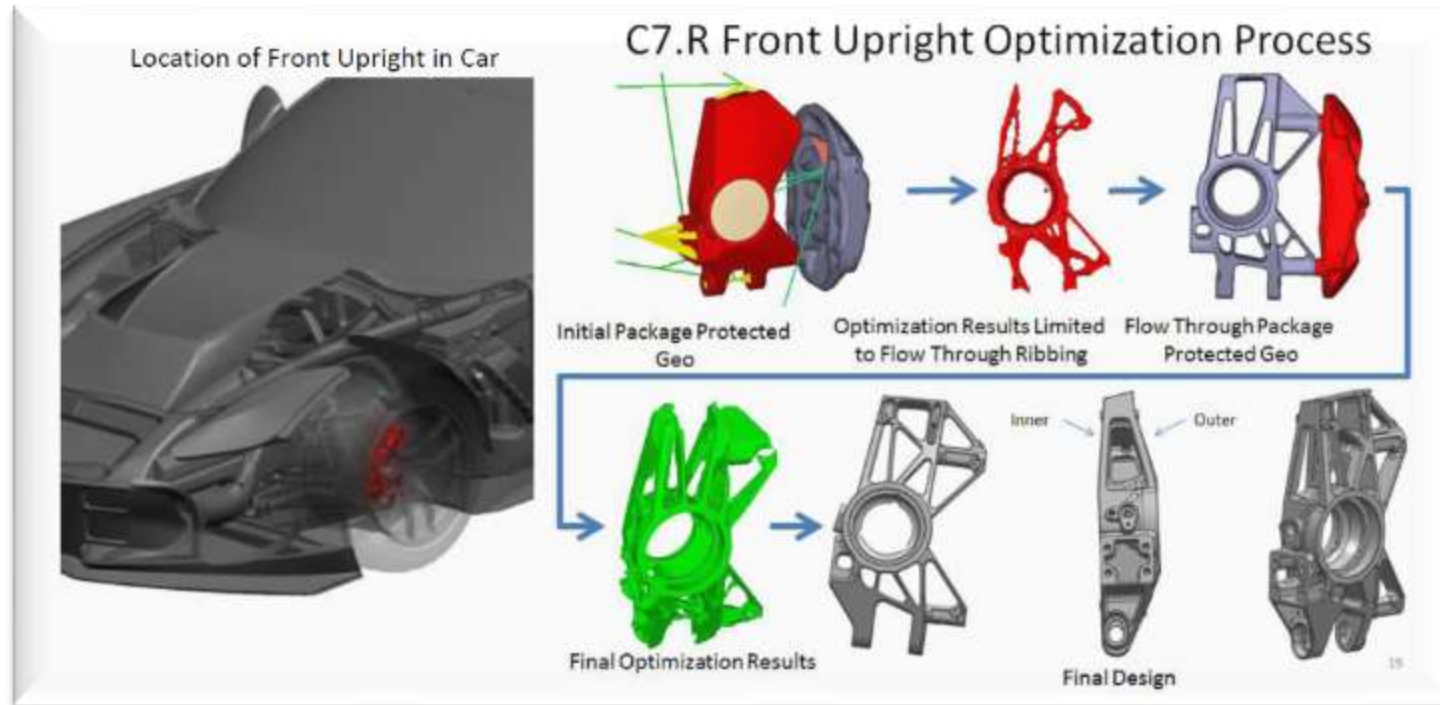


2012 Corvette  
Daytona Prototype



Estimated Mass savings: 33%

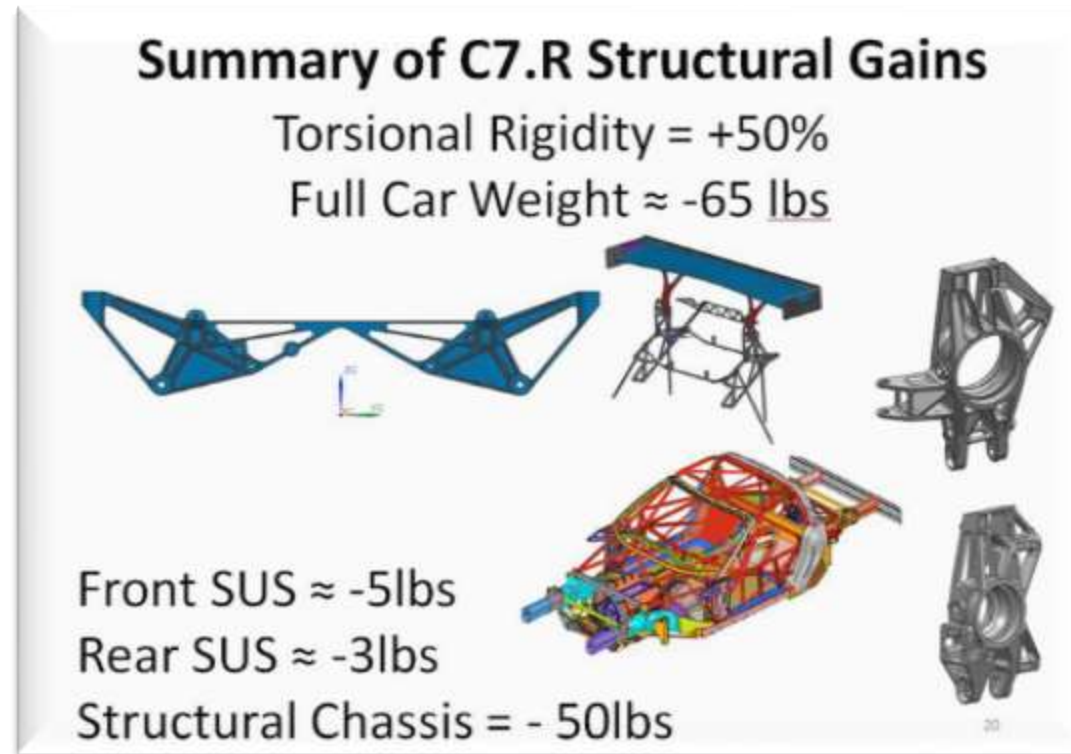
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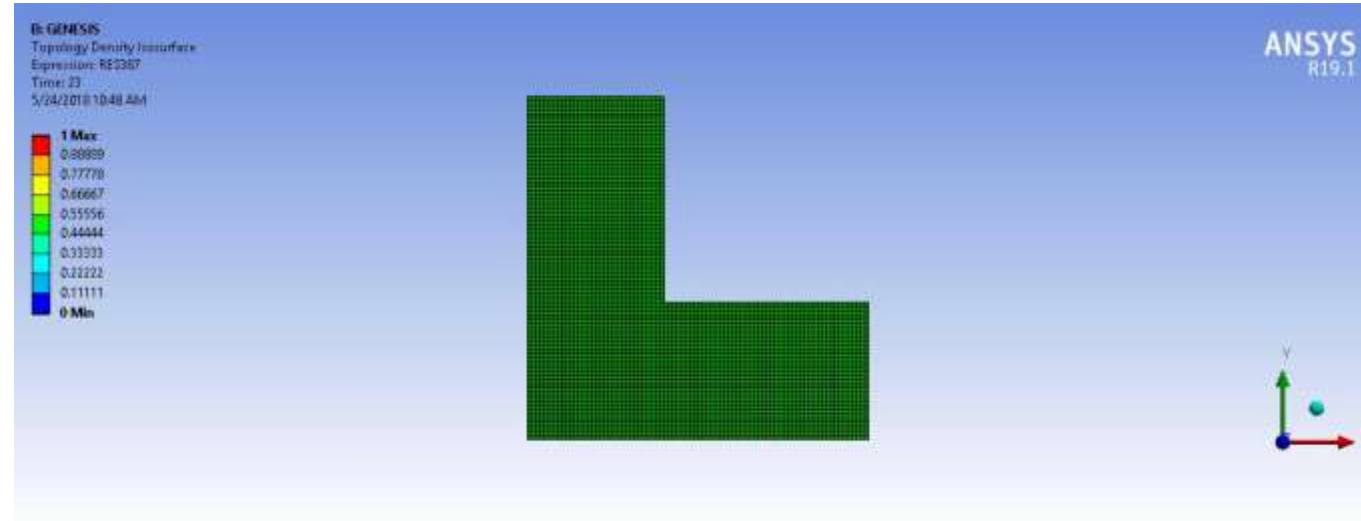


## New Features in GSAM/GTAM v17.0

- New Global von Mises Stress Response
- New RMS/PSD Stress Responses for Random Vibration
- Write only Loadcases Referred by Optimization
- Support Post-processing for Binary OUTPUT2 Format
- Support Post-processing for More Result Types
- Support Importing Results for All Design Cycles

# Structural Optimization Enhancement

- New Global von Mises Stress Response
  - The new VMINDEX response allows the user to economically and efficiently impose von mises stress constraints in topology and other types of optimization







## Structural Optimization Enhancement

- New Global von Mises Stress Response
  - Upper bound for von mises index response is typically set as 1.0
  - This constraint uses the yield strength on material as the stress limit
  - Impose on all geometries with the given material
  - Loadcase dependent

Properties of Outline Row 3: Structural Steel

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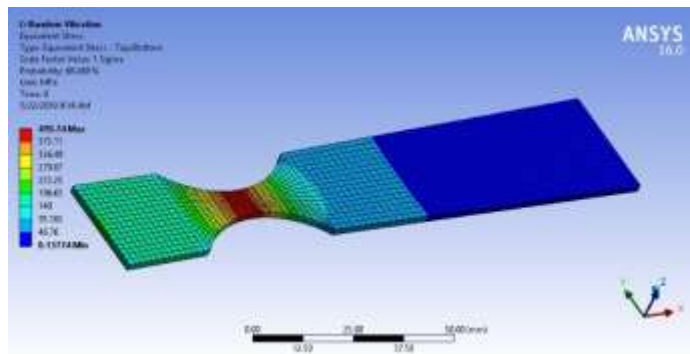


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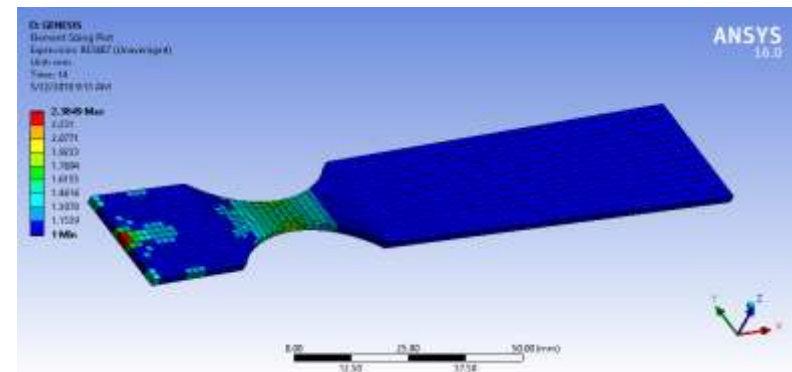
- Random Stress Responses
  - The Power Spectral Density (PSD) stresses and the Root Mean Square (RMS) stress responses are now available for all shell and solid elements.
  - The type of stresses are all stress tensor components (Normal-x, Normal-y, Shear xy, etc). For RMS stress, the user can also design for von Mises stress

## Structural Optimization Enhancement

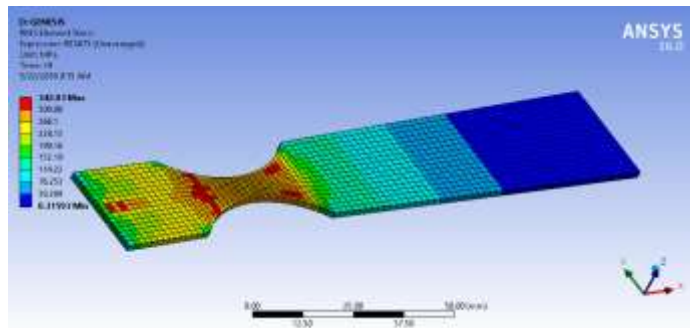
- Example: Topometry optimization to reduce Random RMS Stress



RMS von mises stress = 419 MPa in the original model



Shell thickness distribution



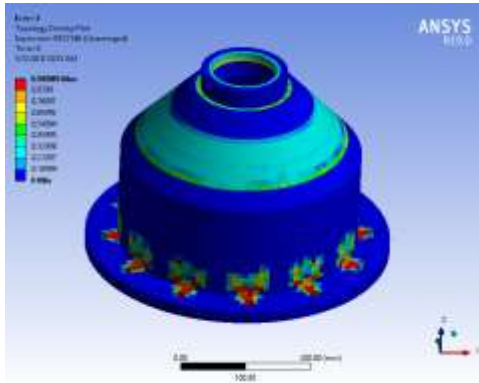
RMS von mises stress = 342 MPa in the optimized model



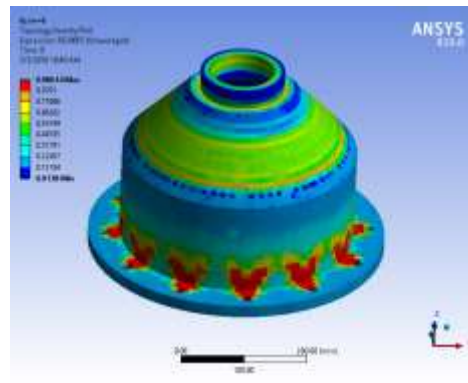
Export optimized geometry

## Structural Optimization Enhancement

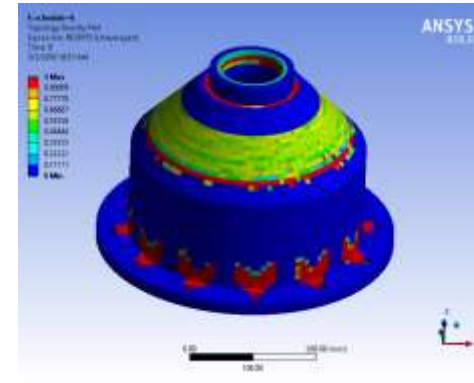
- New Progressive Rule for Topology Optimization



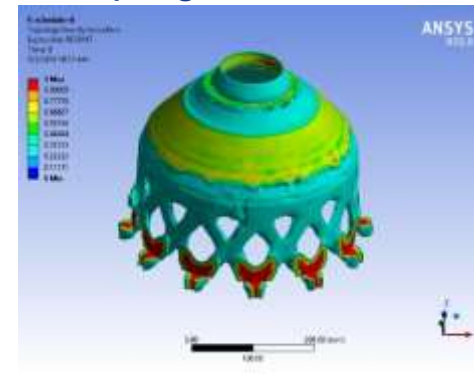
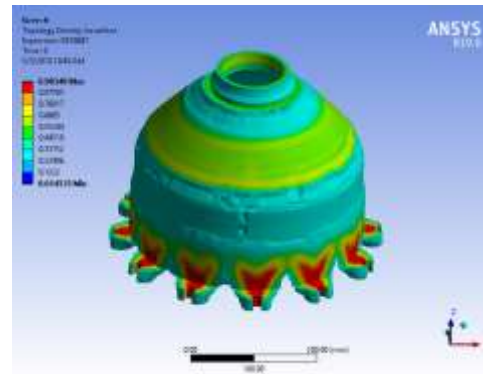
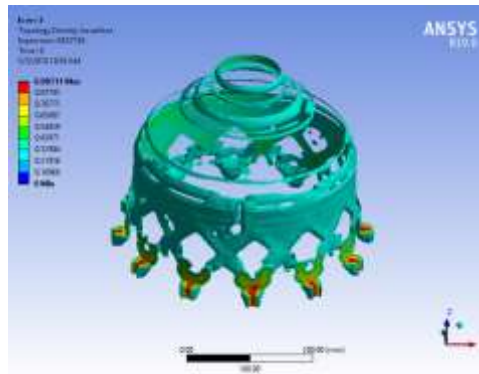
Rv1= 3



Rv1= 6



Built-in progressive schedule 6





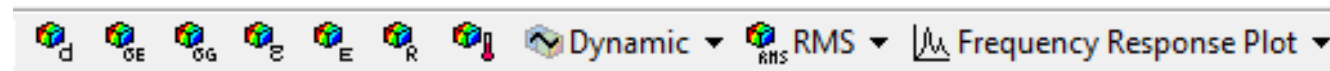
## Post-processing Enhancement

- Support Post-processing for Binary OUTPUT2 Format
  - Now the default format for output files is set as binary OUTPUT2
  - This will help reduce the output file size and improve the speed for post-processing



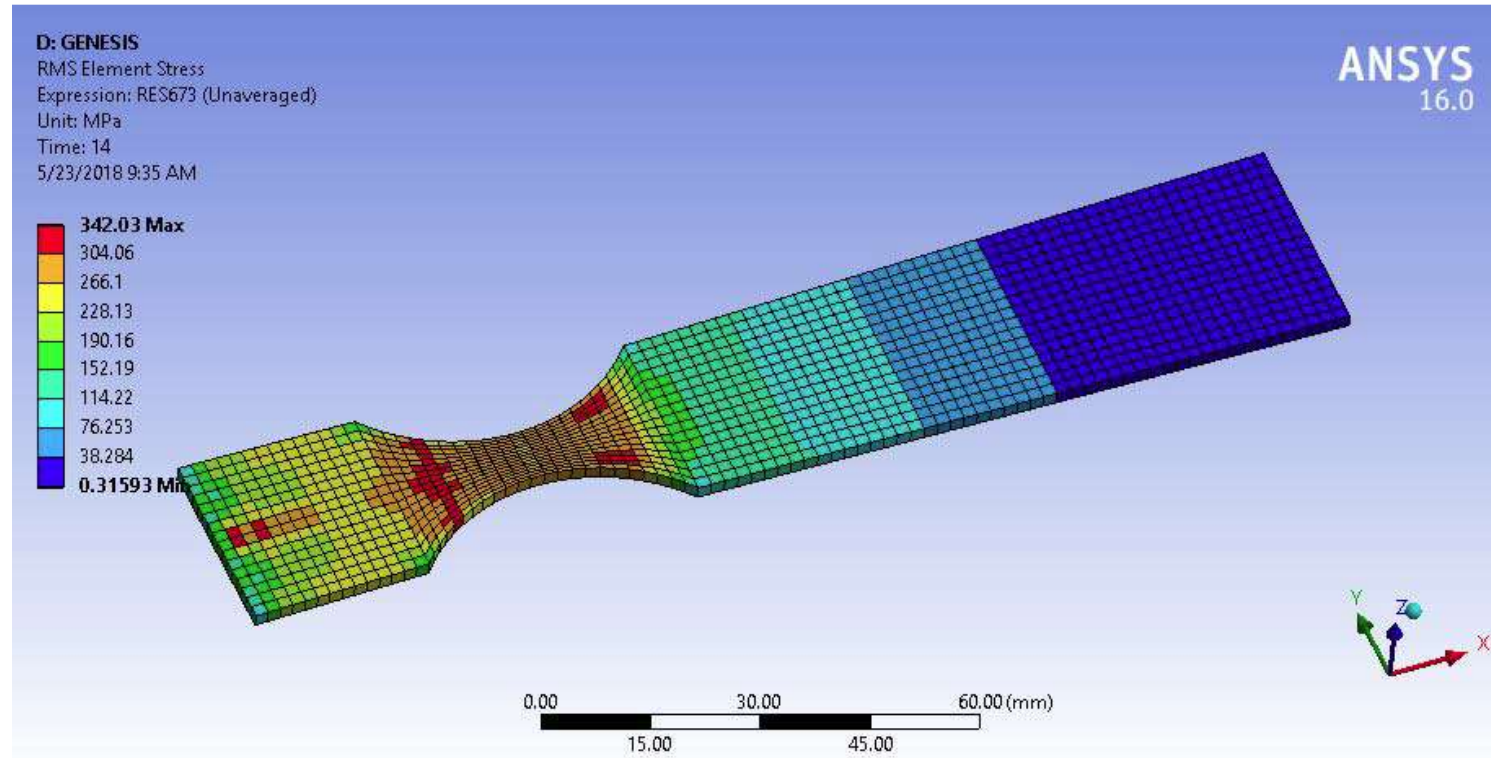
## Post-processing Enhancement

- Support Post-processing for More Result Types
  - Reaction force contour plot
  - Dynamic displacement/velocity/acceleration/stress contour plot
  - RMS displacement/velocity/acceleration/stress contour plot
  - Frequency response chart plot for dynamic/PSD displacement, velocity, acceleration, stress and ERP



## Post-processing Enhancement

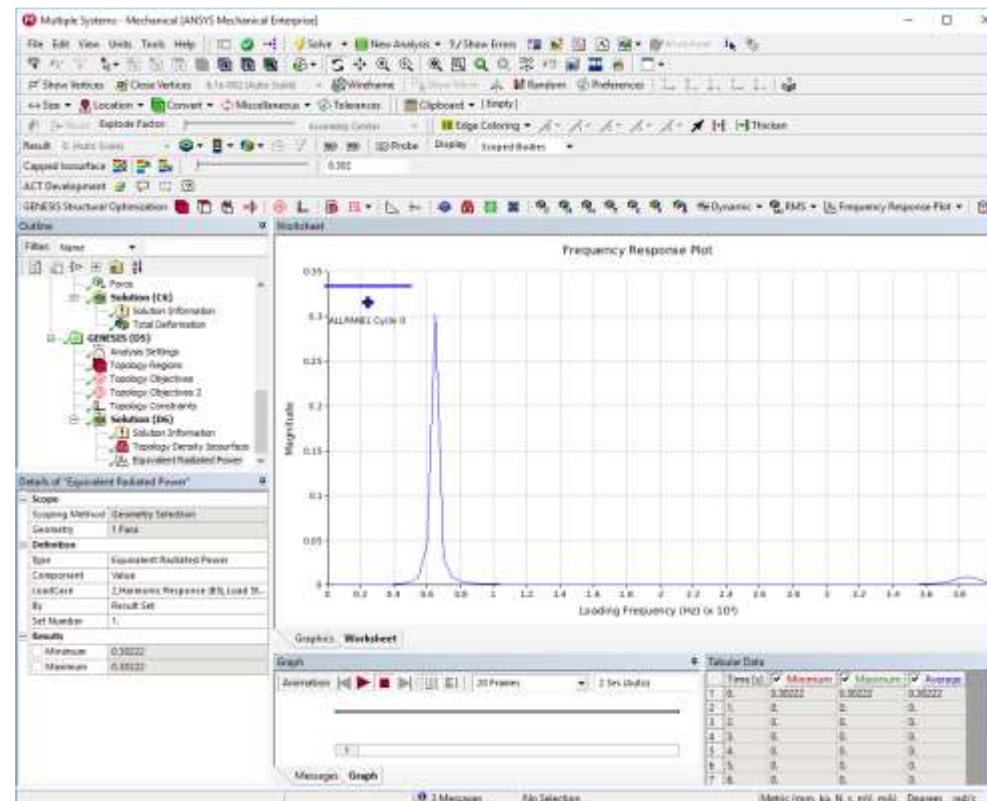
- Example: RMS von mises stress





## Post-processing Enhancement

- Example: ERP frequency response plot



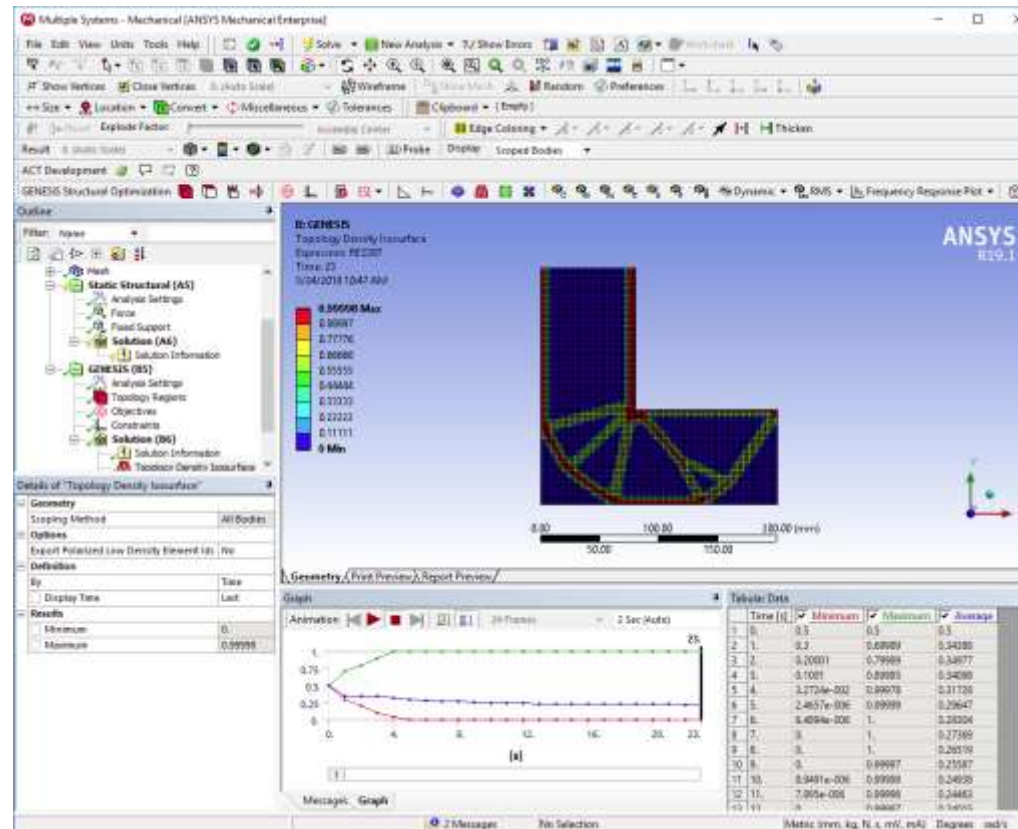


## Post-processing Enhancement

- Support Importing Results for All Design Cycles
  - By default, the optimization results at all design cycles will be imported when post-processing.
  - The user can view an animation or view the results at each design cycle by going through all result sets
  - When viewing the animation, two options
    - Distributed
      - Type in the total number of result sets as number of frames
        - For example, optimization ends at cycle 15, there are total 16 result sets including cycle 0
    - Result sets

## Post-processing Enhancement

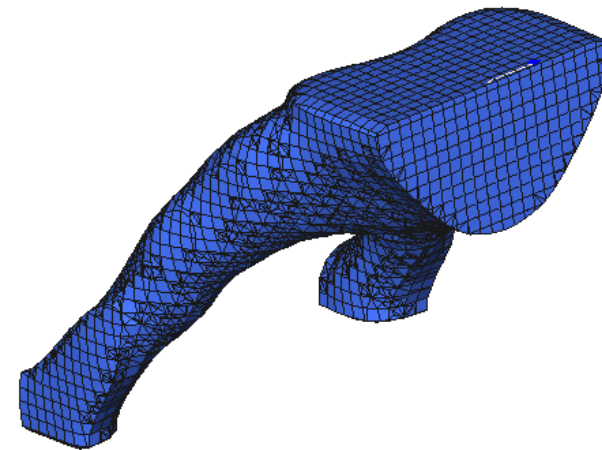
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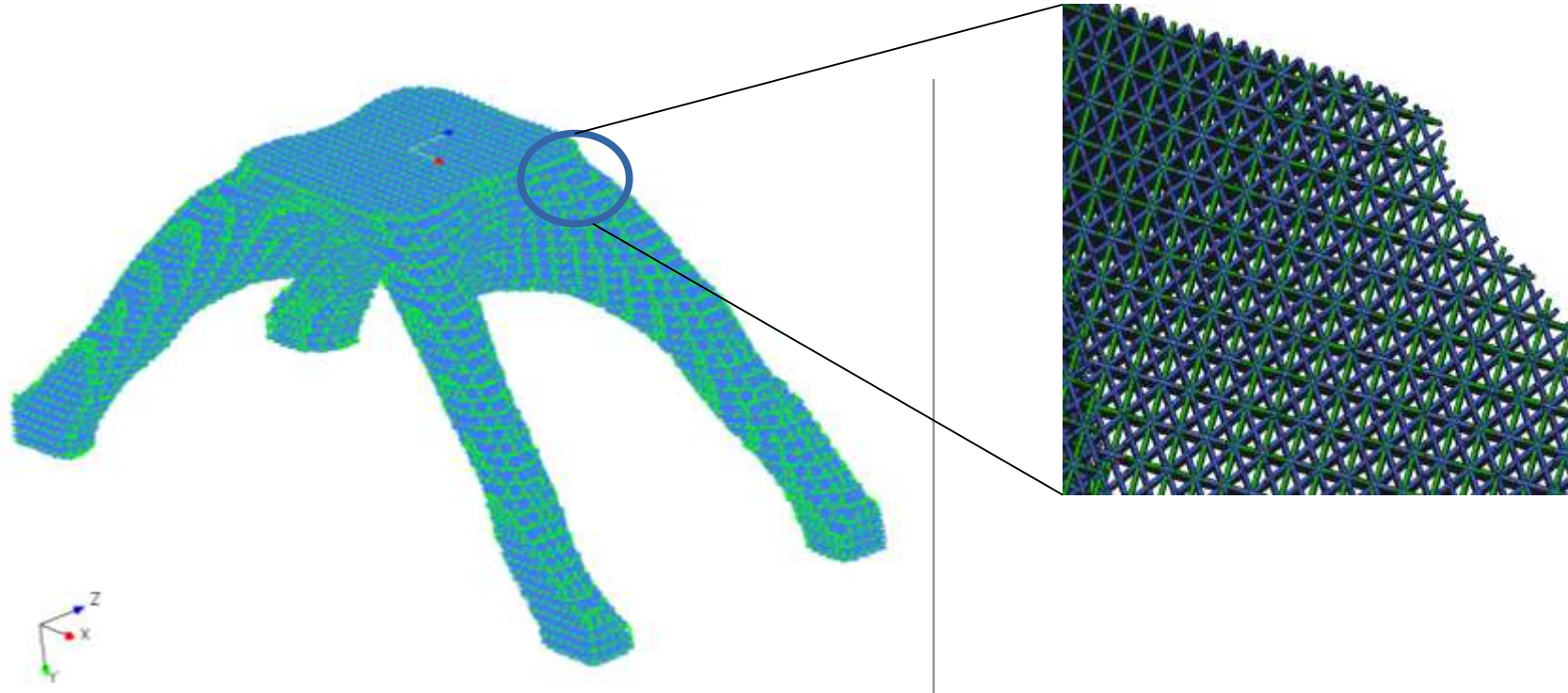


Solid mesh created



Cut section of the solid mesh created

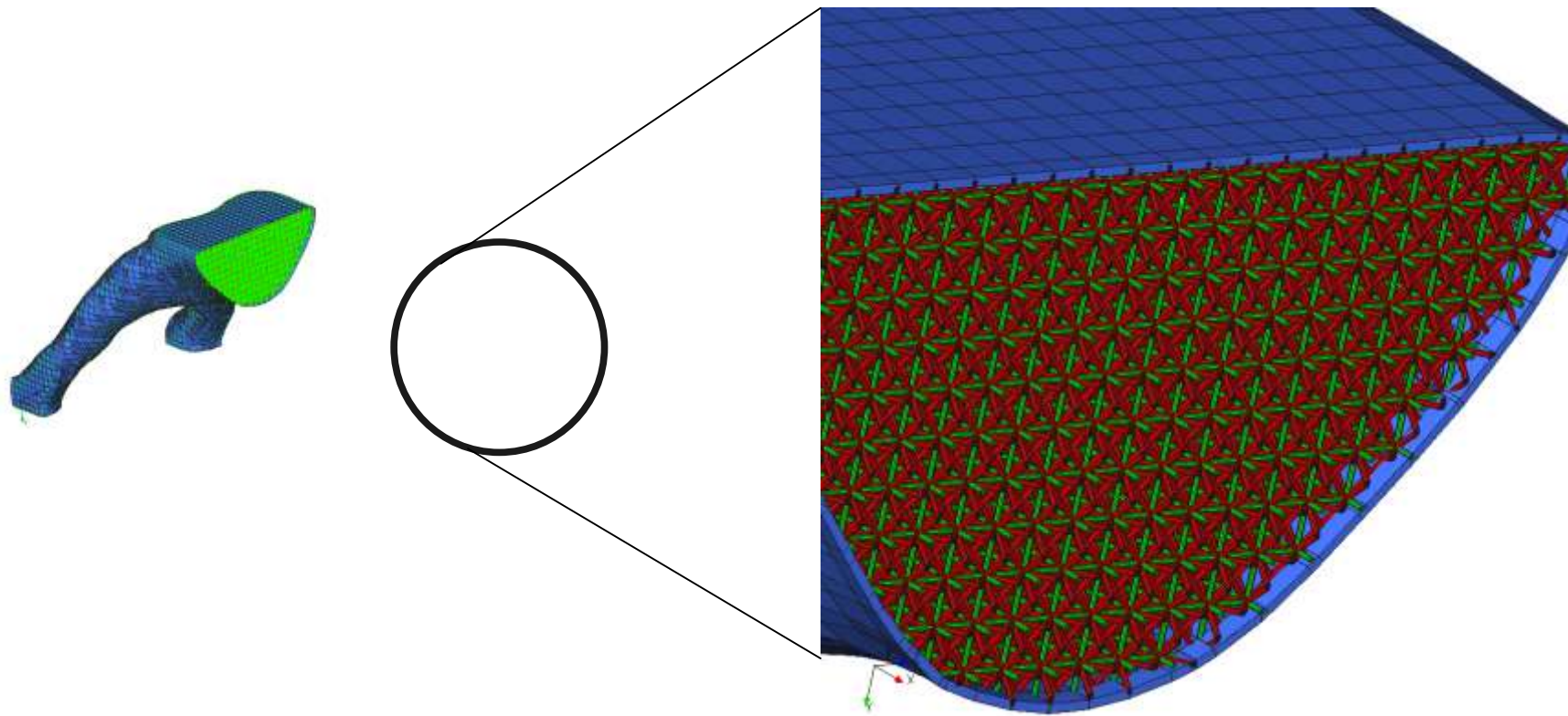
## Lattice only Mesh from Topology Result



Lattice mesh created

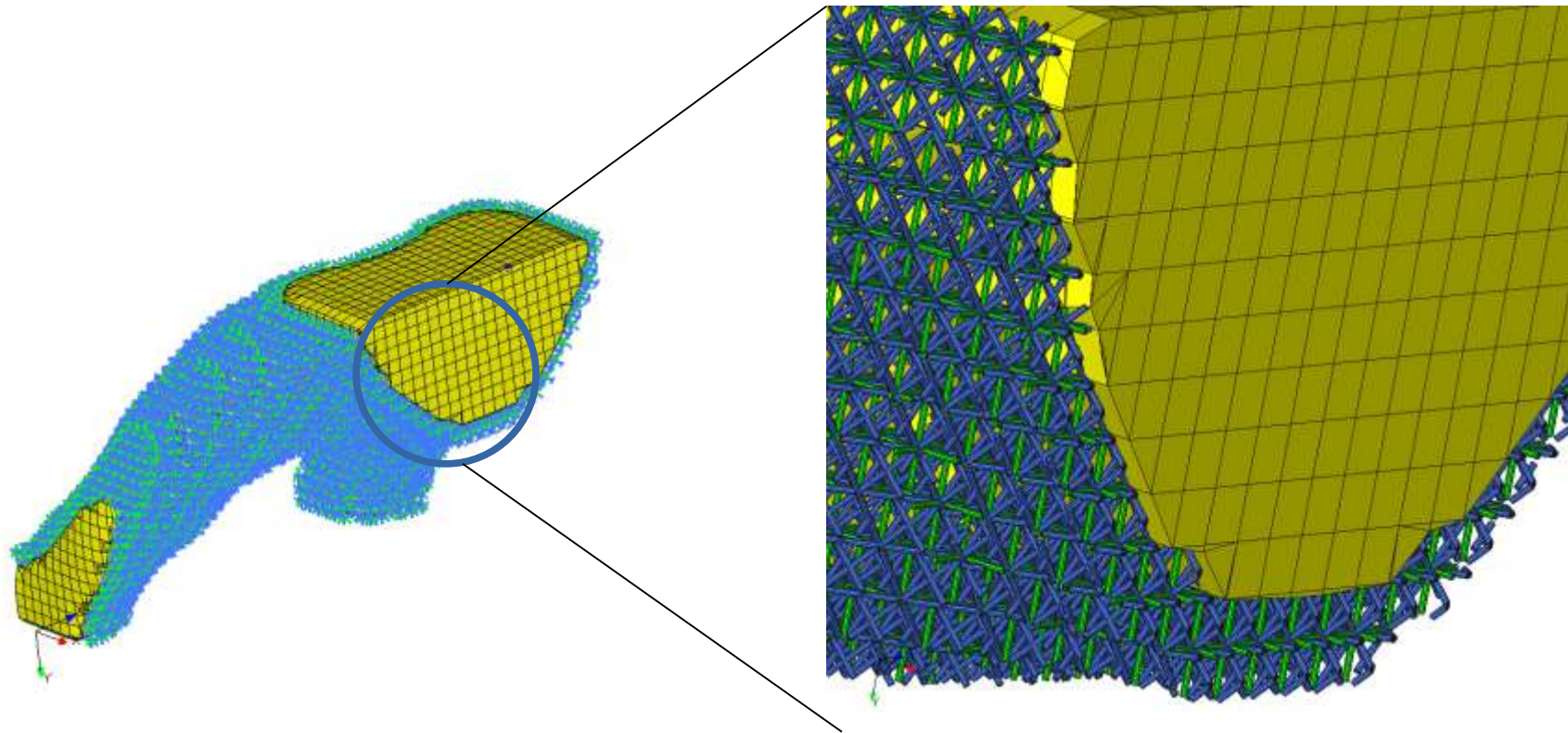


## Lattice+Skin Mesh from Topology Result



Cut section of the lattice+skin mesh created

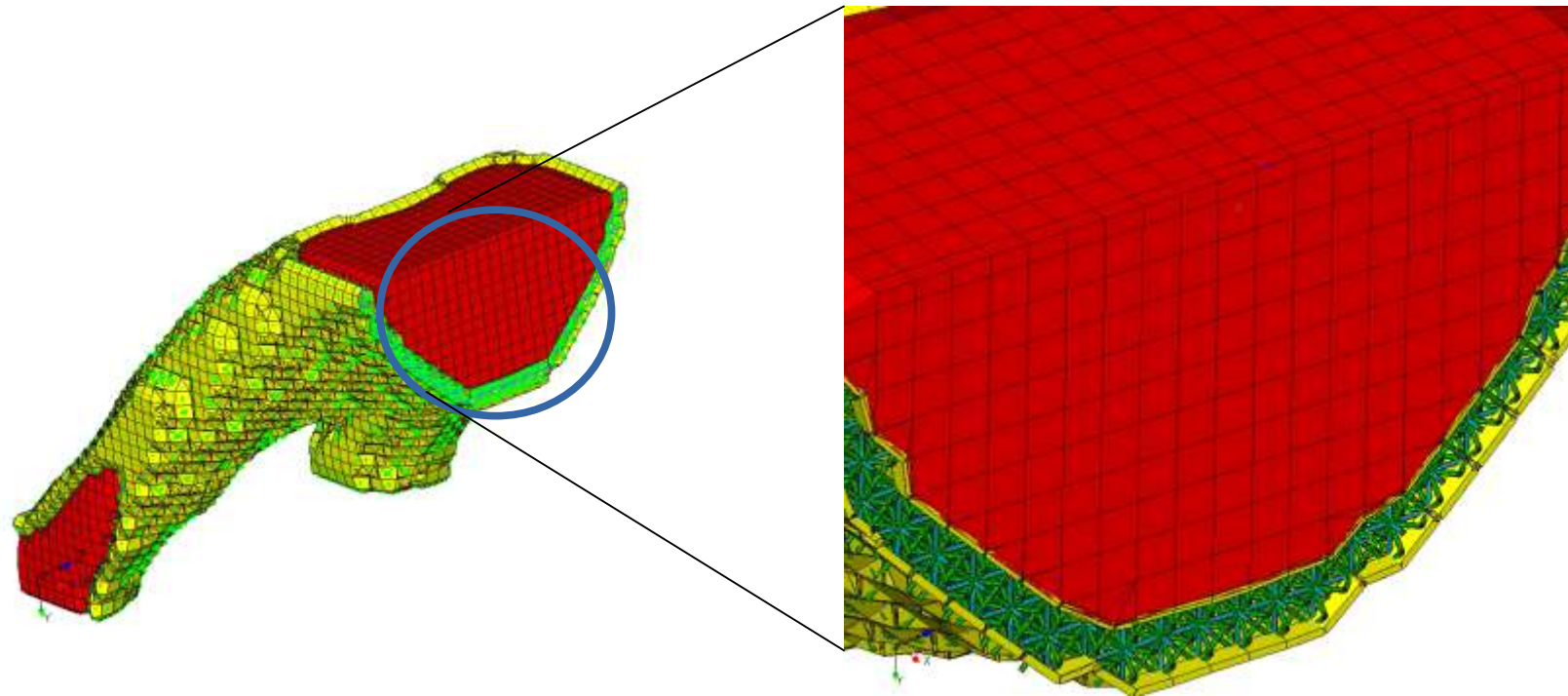
## Lattice+Solid Mesh from Topology Result



Cut section of the lattice+solid mesh created



## Lattice+Skin+Solid mesh from topology result



Cut section of the lattice+skin+solid mesh created