



# Conception optimale pour l'ingénieur (Aerospace)

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# AU PROGRAMME

## Python based

lundi 31 mars 2025			
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jeudi 03 avril 2025			
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Intro: Sustainable Aviation (Materials) With Both Eyes Open
Design optimization 1: constrained optimization, MOO, Sensibility with examples
Project DO 1 2 3

Topology Optimization with examples
Material ecoselection, Ashby Diagram and more

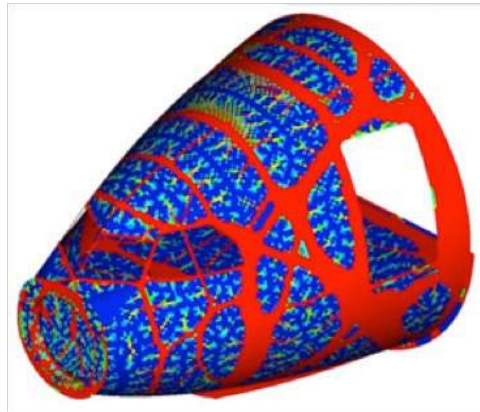
Projet DO 1 2 3
Wrap up and demo from students

Intro to MDAO Static Aeroelastic problem is a MDAO problem
Airbus PROJECT by TEAM of 3 (marked*)

vendredi 04 avril 2025		ORAL MARKED*	
		09h15 - 11h30	MORLIER Joseph MURADÁS ODRIOZOLA Daniel

# Part1 : On topology optimization

Lego?



<https://labs.sogeti.com/numerical-simulation-as-product-sculpture-topological-optimization/>

# History

- Homogenization of Microstructures was introduced by mathematics in the 1970s.
- First paper by Martin Bendsoe (Technical University of Denmark) and Noboru Kikuchi (University of Michigan) in 1988

A topology optimisation problem can be written in the general form of an optimization problem as

$$\min_{\rho} F = F(\mathbf{u}(\rho), \rho) = \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{u}(\rho), \rho) dV$$

subject to

- $\rho \in \{0, 1\}$
- $G_0(\rho) = \int_{\Omega} \rho(\mathbf{u}) dV - V_0 \leq 0$
- $G_j(\mathbf{u}(\rho), \rho) \leq 0$  with  $j = 1, \dots, m$

## TopOpt

Je choisis un bloc de marbre et j'enlève tout ce  
dont je n' ai pas besoin..  
Auguste Rodin (1840-1917)



Define the design space (marble block, fixed mesh)

Apply loads & BCs

Start optimization with hyper parameters

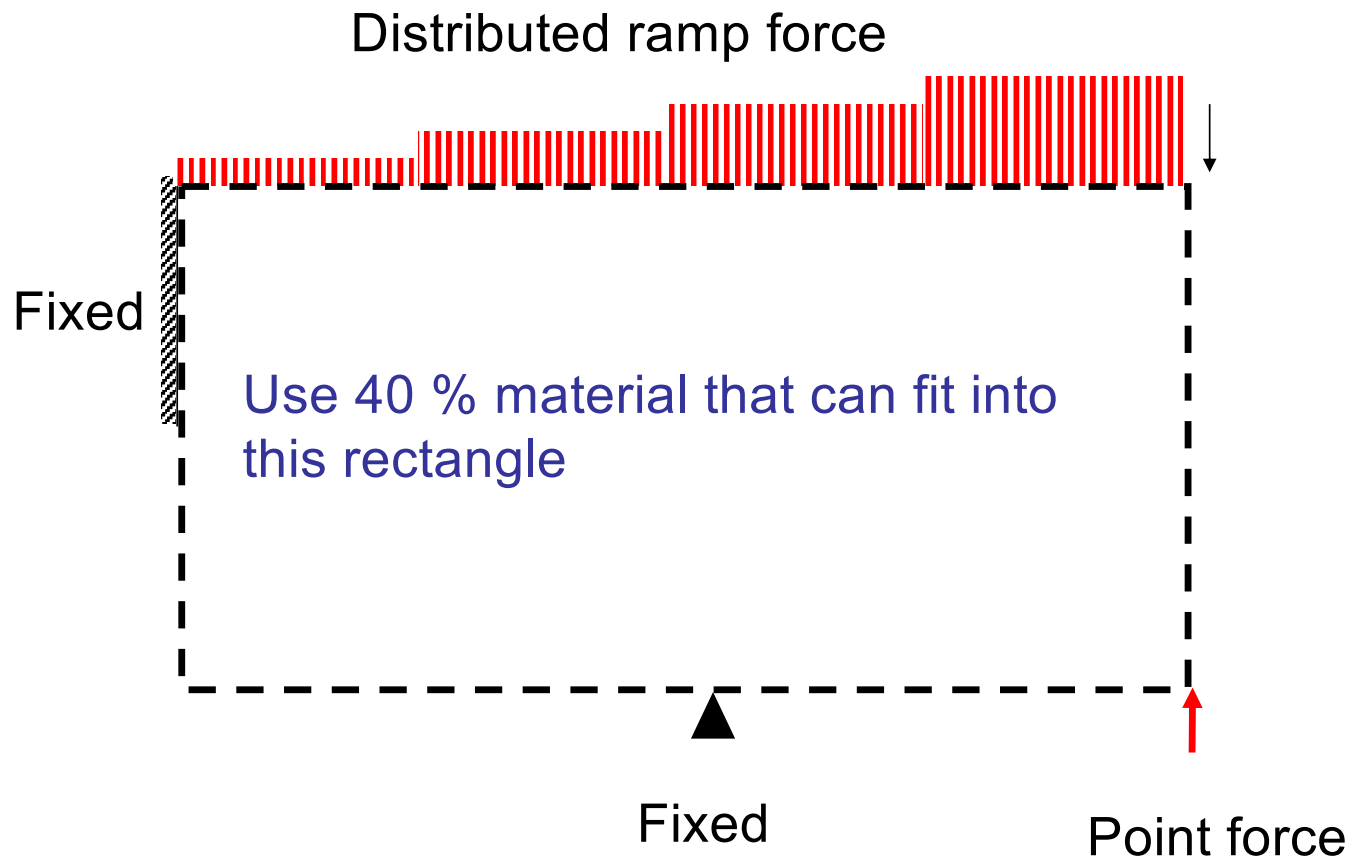
Interpreting the results

Optimal distribution of material (One can have an idea of the part to be reinforced, in addition to giving an excellent initial design ...)

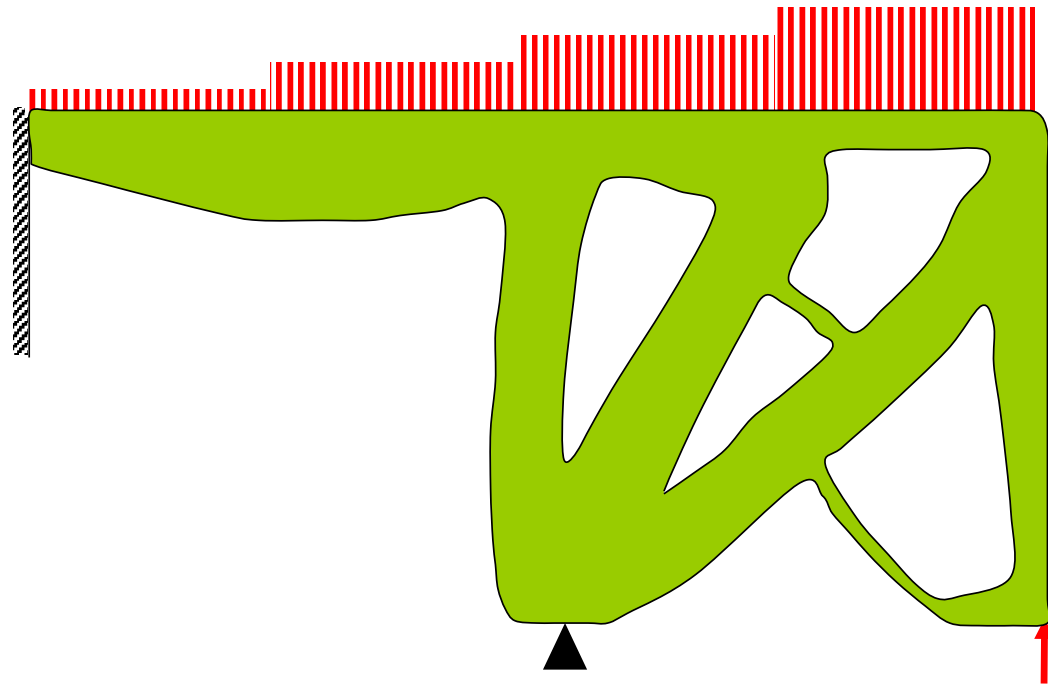
Why is it so powerful?

→ There is a lot of possible redistribution of FORCES (internal)

Stiff structure for your specifications



Stiff structure for your specifications



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## Well-Known example

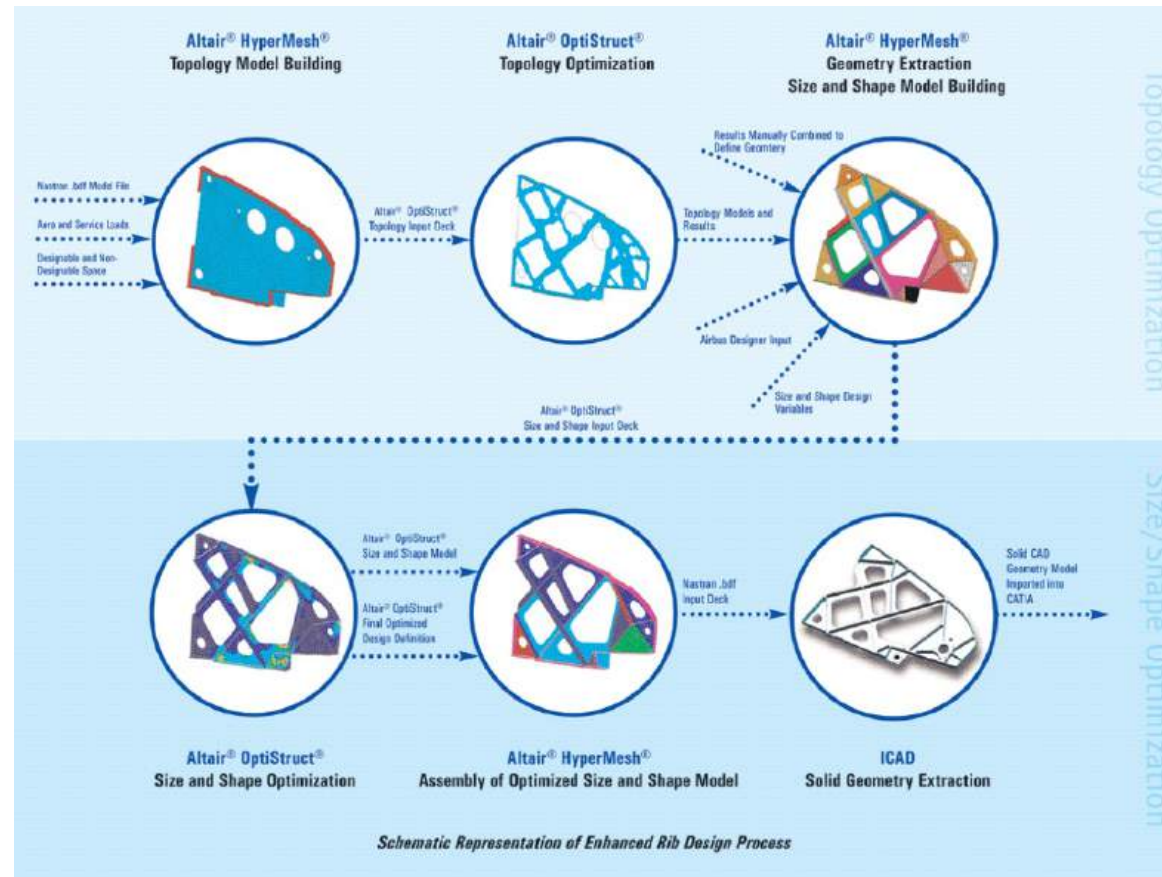
- Wing stiffening ribs of Airbus A380:



- Objective: reduce weight
- Constraints: stress, buckling

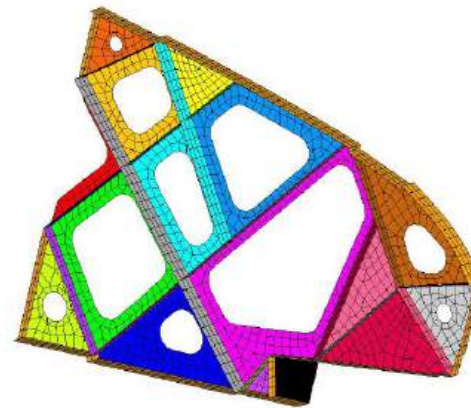
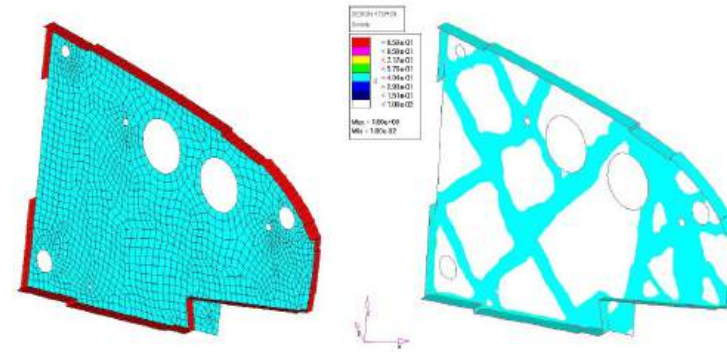


# Topology and shape optimization

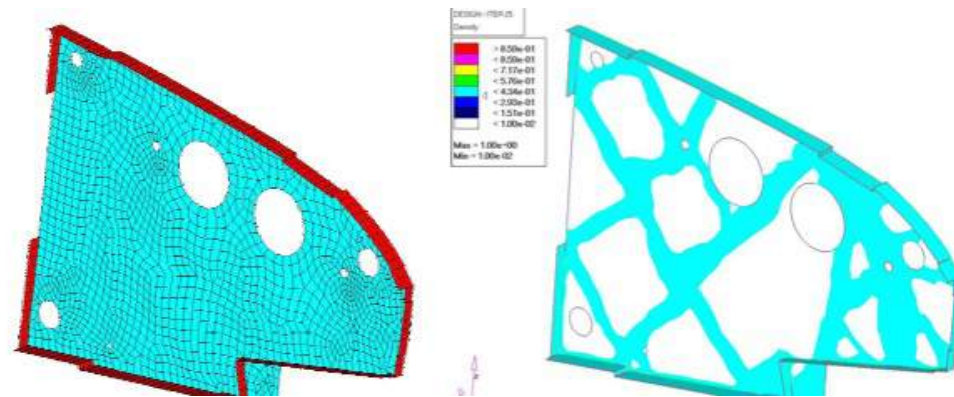


## Airbus A380 example (cont.)

- Topology optimization:
- Sizing / shape optimization:



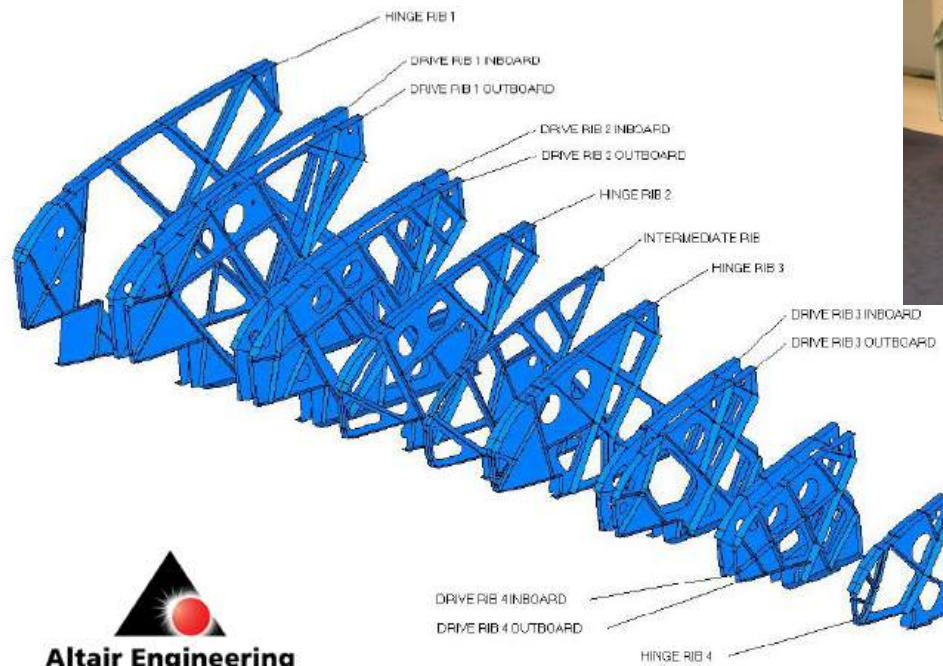
Finally...



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## Airbus A380 example (cont.)

- Result: 500 kg weight savings!



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## Wing rib designs

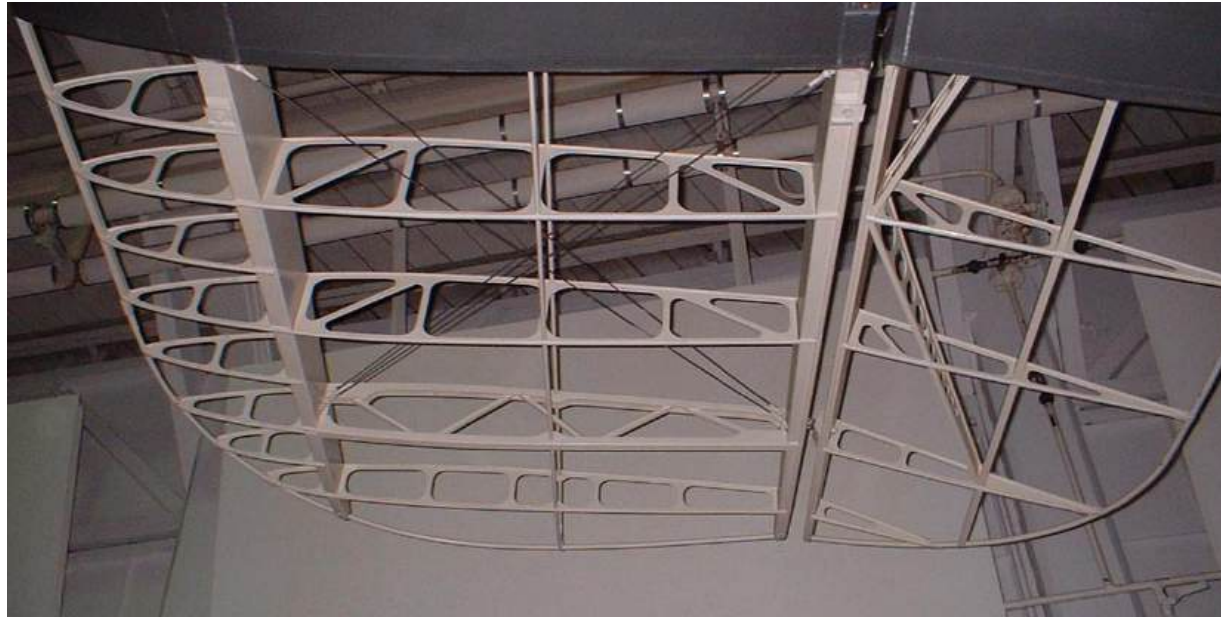
The perforated plates were replaced by reinforced lattice structures (think of the path of preferential internal forces)

Is this really a discovery?





# Supermarine Southampton, 1925



System approach automates the process!

## Industrial problems

TopOpt: Preliminary phases of a project

The idea is to find the best path of stiffening in a given volume of matter.

The mass is only found where it is needed, which is a good starting point for optimization of shape or dimensioning.

Adapted formulation:

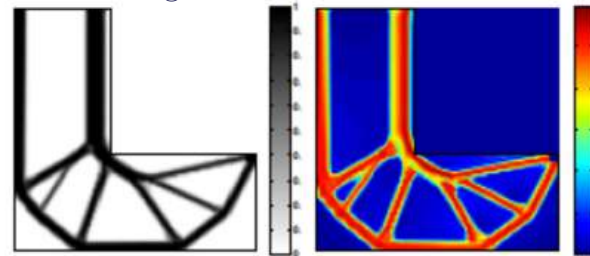
To find the structure with the best static behavior.

The paths of internal forces identified are those which help to rigidify the structure as well as possible

→ The structure will deform less, and stress levels will be possibly limited. But not only...

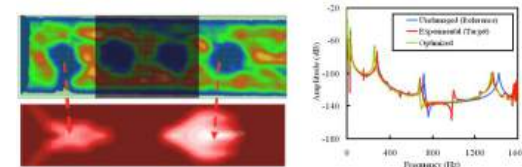
## → Lots of Actual Researches

### Fatigue

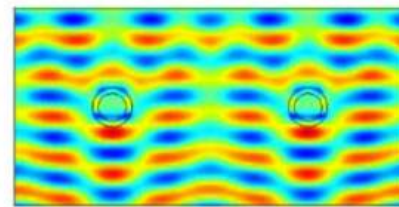
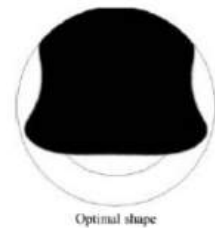


Global and clustered approaches for stress constrained topology optimization and deactivation of design variables. Erik

Holmberg, Bo Torstenfelt, Anders Klarbring



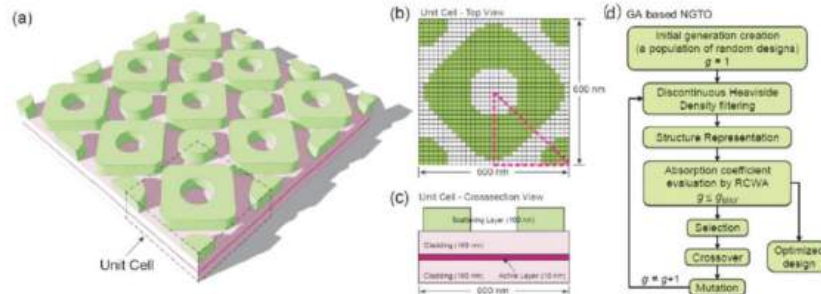
### Multiphysics



Topology Optimization of silver nano-particles in thin film solar cells  
SooHwan Byun,  
Jeonghoon Yoo

H. Niemann, J. Morlier, A. Shahdin and Y. Gourinat. Damage Localization using Experimental Modal Parameters and Topology Optimization. Mechanical Systems and Signal Processing. 24(3)636-652. 2010

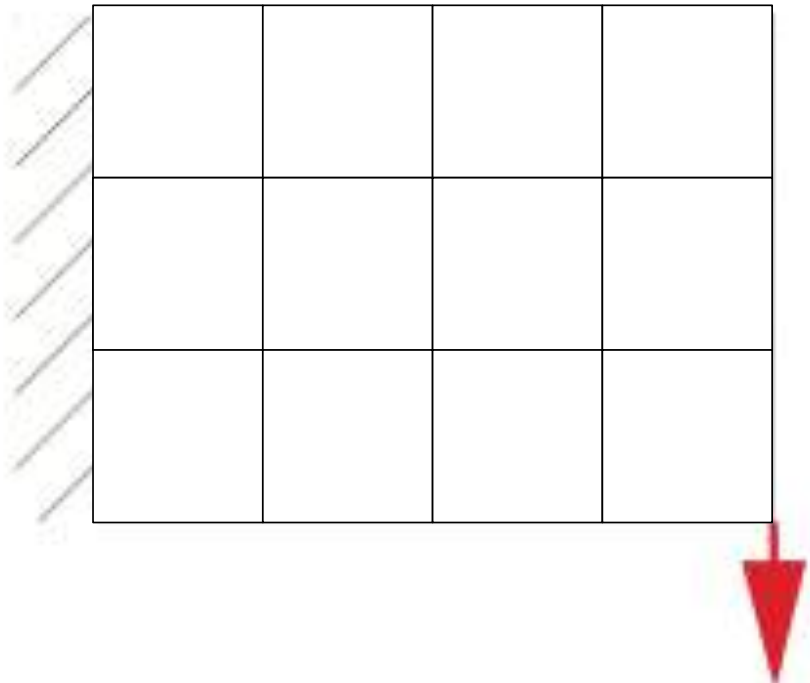
### Microstructures



Topology Optimization for Highly-efficient Light-trapping Structure in Solar Cell Shuangcheng Yu, Chen Wang, Cheng Sun, Wei Chen\*



Quiz ! draw material (black) or void (white)

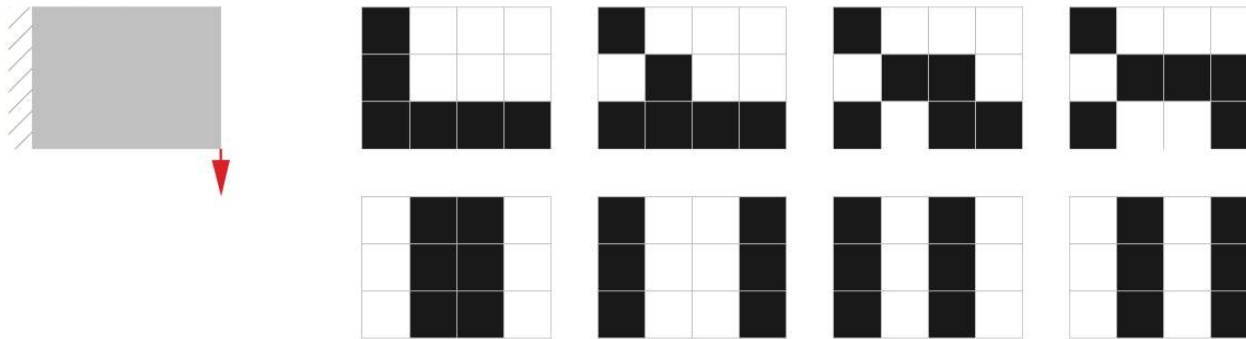


**Goal: 50%  
gain in mass**



# Pixels

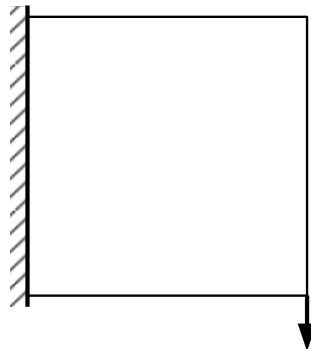
- Finding a solution by checking all the possible combinations is impossible since the number of topologies  $nT$  increases exponentially with the number of finite elements  $n$
- $nT = 2^n$ ,



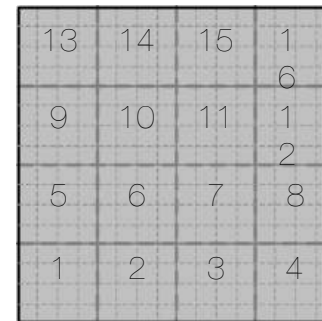
The legal (top) and some illegal (bottom) topologies with 4 by 3 elements

Division into elements (pixels or voxels) and binary decision for each  
or example 10,000 elements --> 210,000 possible configurations!

## Maximum stiffness in the plane of a plate by selecting the best orientations of fibers



Loads and boundary conditions



Design model with 4 \* 4 patches

Table 4 Material properties

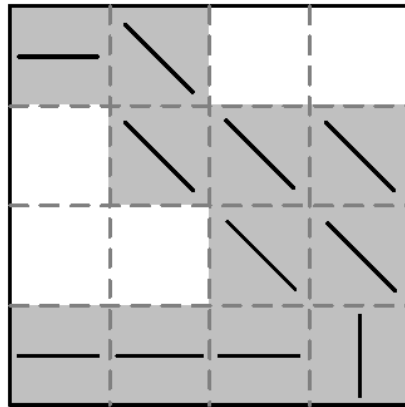
$E_x$	$E_y$	$G_{xy}$	$\nu_{xy}$
146.86GPa	10.62GPa	5.45GPa	0.33

Table 3 Orientations

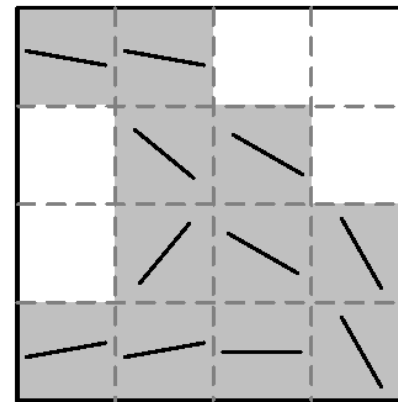
Number of material phases ( $m$ )	Number of design variables for each region ( $m_v$ )	Discrete orientation angle (°)
4	2	90/45/0/-45
9	4	80/60/40/20/0/-20/-40/-60/-80
12	4	90/75/60/45/30/15/0/-15/-30/-45/-60/-75

## Discrete Material Optimization: exemple

Topological optimization: vacuum + composite laminate  
Volume constraints:  $V < 11/16$



4 orientations  
90/45/0/-45

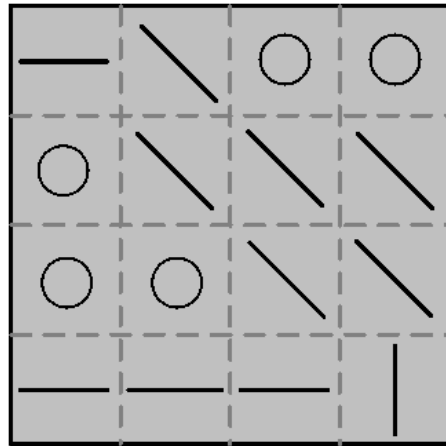


18 orientations  
90/80/70/60/50/40/30/20/10/0  
/  
-10/-20/-30/-40/-50/-60/-70/-  
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## Discrete Material Optimization: exemple

Use of both glass fibers and foam  
Limitation of the number of domains occupied by the fiber of glass

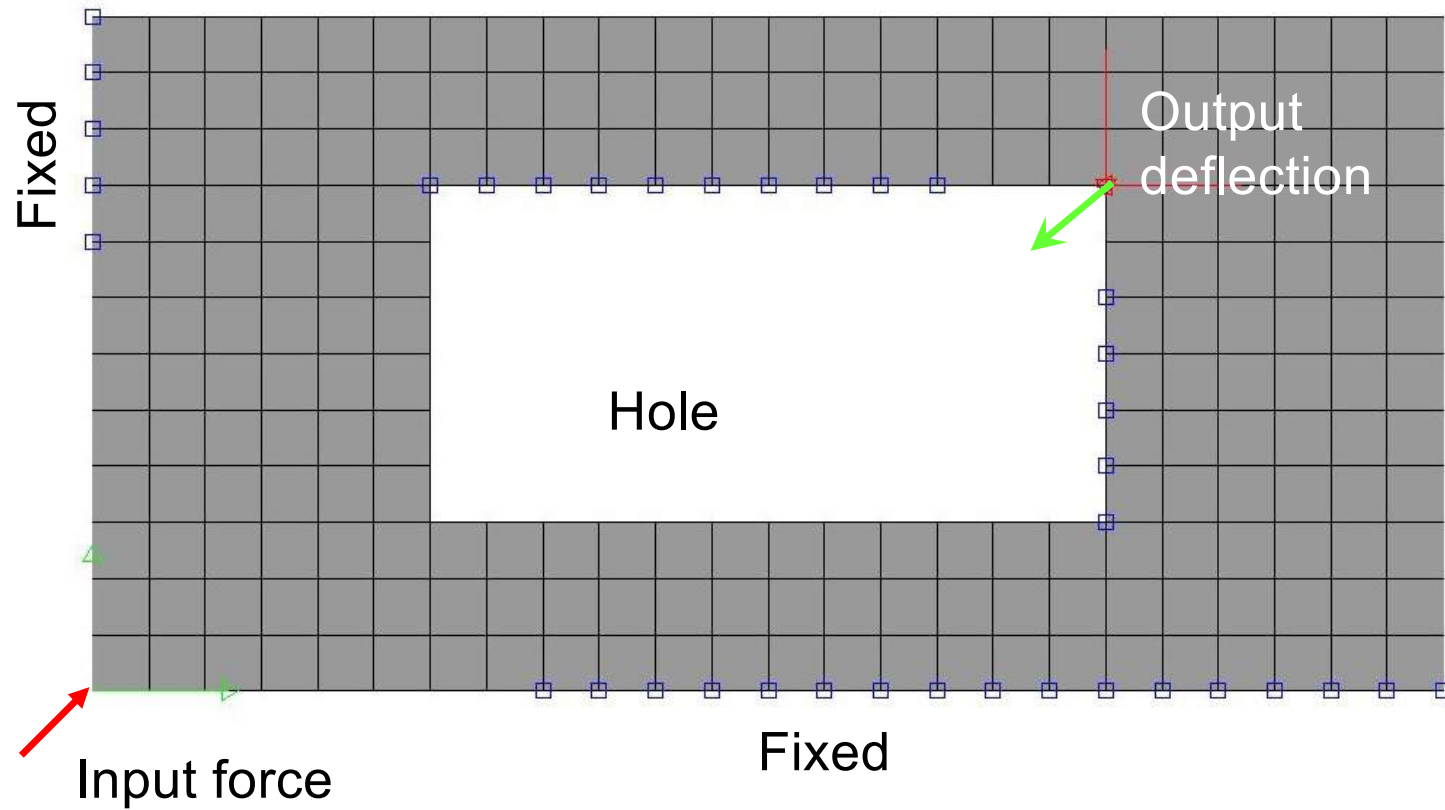


Optimization result of the square  
plate under vertical force with  
volume constraint

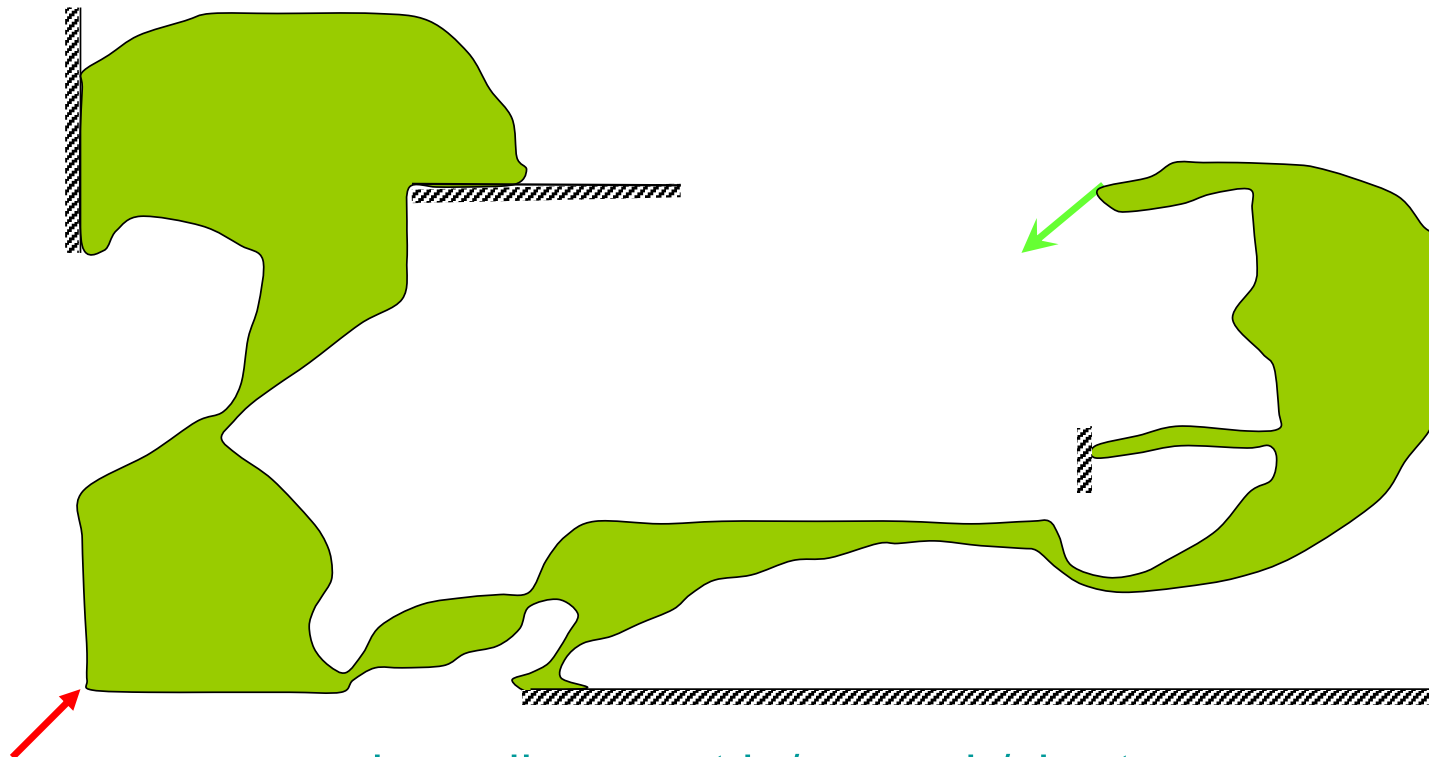
Glass-epoxy with 4 orientations  
(90/45/0/-45) and polymer-foam

# Compliant mechanism to your specifications

Use 30 % material

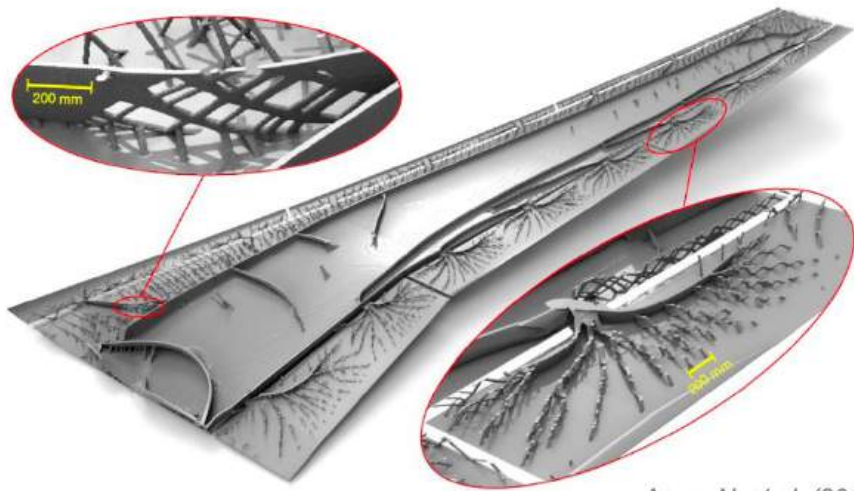


Compliant mechanism to your specifications

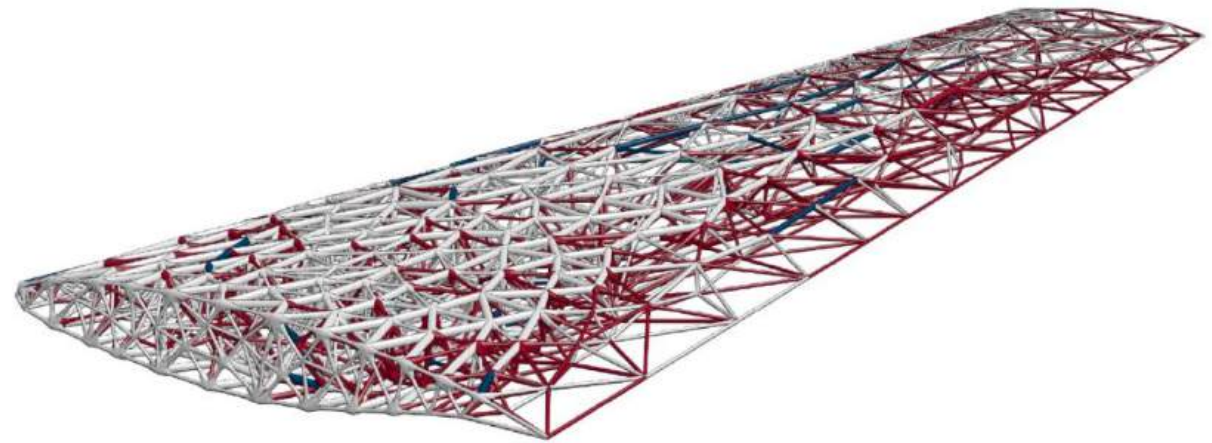


[www.mecheng.iisc.ernet.in/~suresh/shortcourse](http://www.mecheng.iisc.ernet.in/~suresh/shortcourse)

## Concurrent method TOPOPT vs LAYOPT (continuous vs discrete)

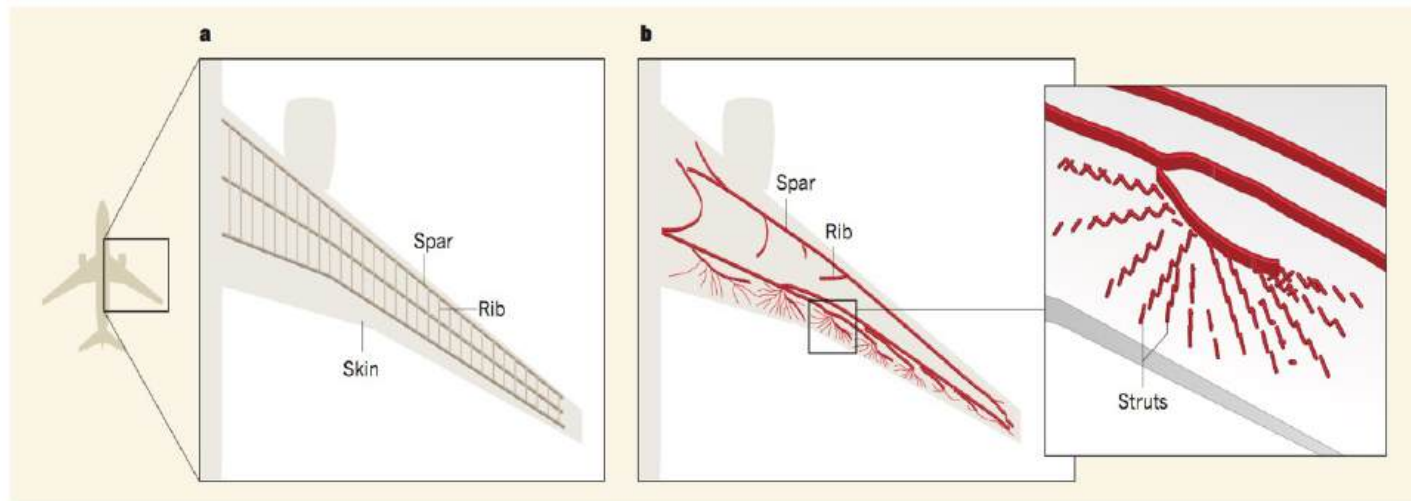


*Aage, N. et al. (2017)*



*Opgenoord, M. M. and Willcox, K. E. (2018)*





<https://www.nature.com/articles/nature23911>

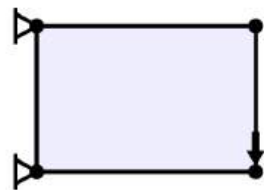
More recently

<https://www.layopt.com/truss/>

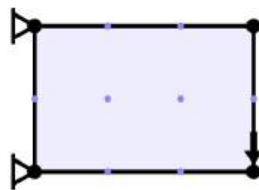
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8OuU5K4iwSM>

### Layout Optimization

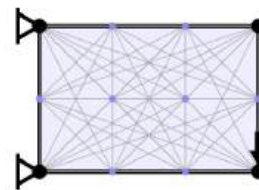
It was realized in the 1960s that minimum volume structures could be identified computationally. The steps in the numerical layout optimization procedure used by LayOpt are shown in the image below. First, the design domain (the region within which the structure is permitted to lie) is populated with nodes. Each pair of nodes is then connected with a potential structural member to create a "fully connected ground structure". Finally, a mathematical optimization problem is solved to identify the minimum volume subset of members and their sizes.



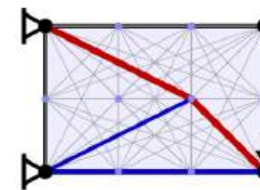
Step 1: The problem is specified (domain, loads and supports).



Step 2: Nodes are added to the design domain



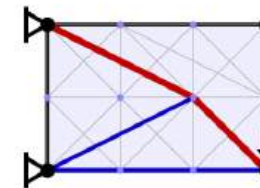
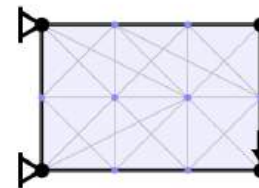
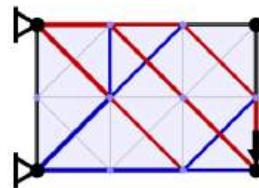
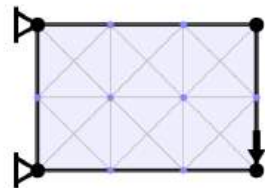
Step 3: The nodes are connected by potential members.



Step 4: The optimal set of members is identified.

In LayOpt, nodes are located at the intersections of grid lines, and at locations where the grid lines cross the edges of the design domain. The coarseness of the grid can be adjusted using the slider. When a very fine nodal grid is employed a very close approximation of the true minimum volume is obtained. However, increasing the number of nodes also increases the computational resources required, and usually the complexity of the resulting structure.

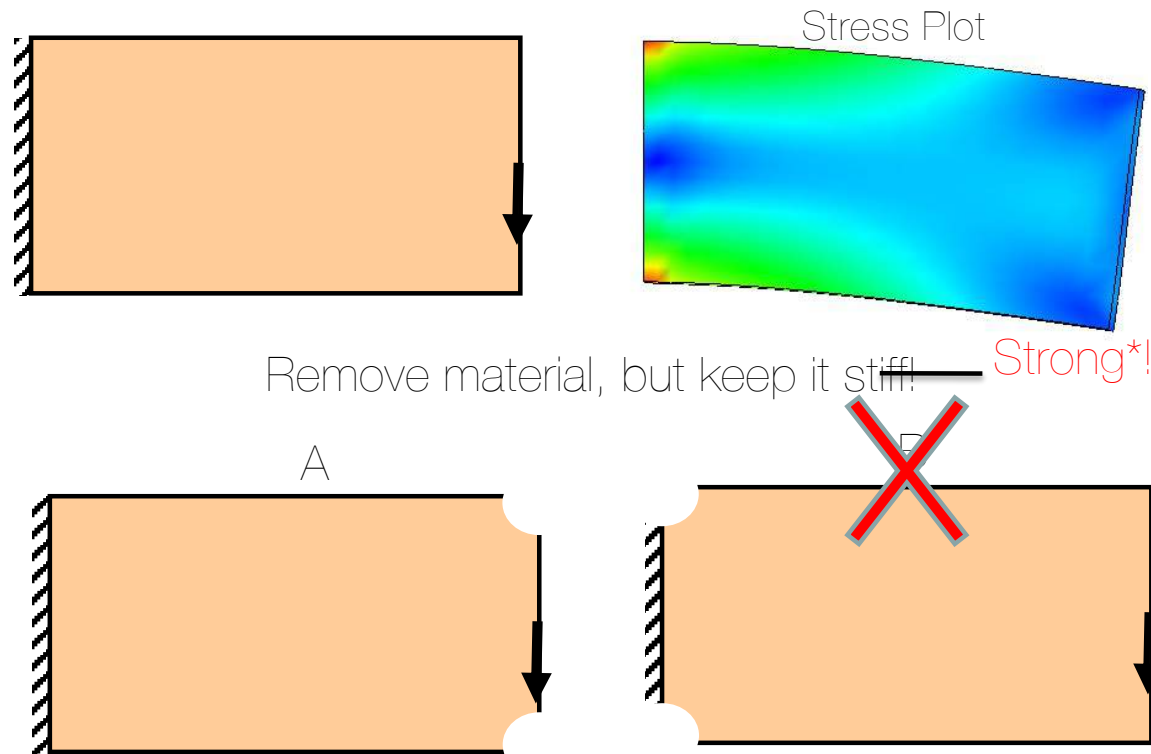
To increase the computational efficiency LayOpt makes use of the adaptive member adding method proposed by Gilbert and Tyas (2003). This only requires a subset of the possible connections to be considered initially (here only adjacent nodes are initially connected). Once this problem is solved, each initially neglected potential member is checked to see if it is likely to reduce the calculated volume. If so, then it is considered for addition to the problem in the next iteration. This process continues until no potential members can be found that have the potential to reduce the volume of the structure. At this point the volume of the structure will be identical to the solution of the corresponding problem which included all potential member connections from the outset. LayOpt shows the result of each member adding iteration as it is calculated, allowing you to see how the optimal design is being identified.



Intuition ...

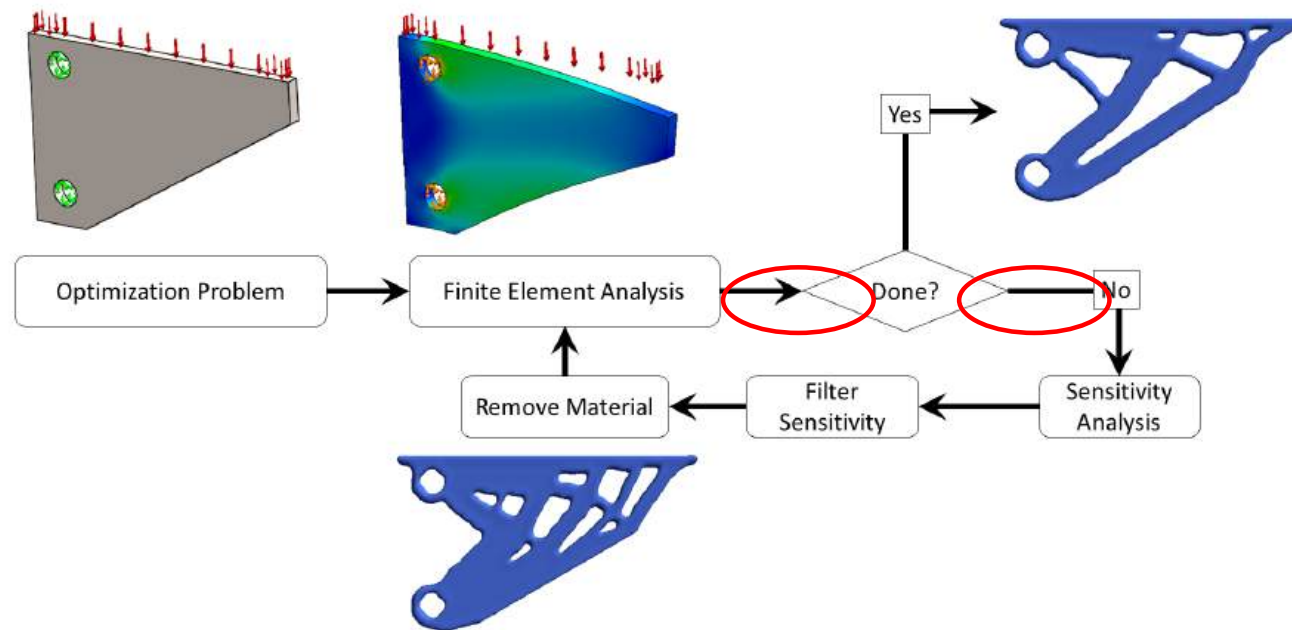
\*See Prof Suresh's work:

<https://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=1861606>



TopOpt relies on FEA

Online computation: <http://www.cloudtopopt.com>



# TopOpt



$$Ku = f$$

$$\text{Compliance } J = f^T u$$

$$\text{Compliance} = 1/\text{Stiffness}$$

1. Objective?
2. Constraints?
3. Method?

Minimize Compliance

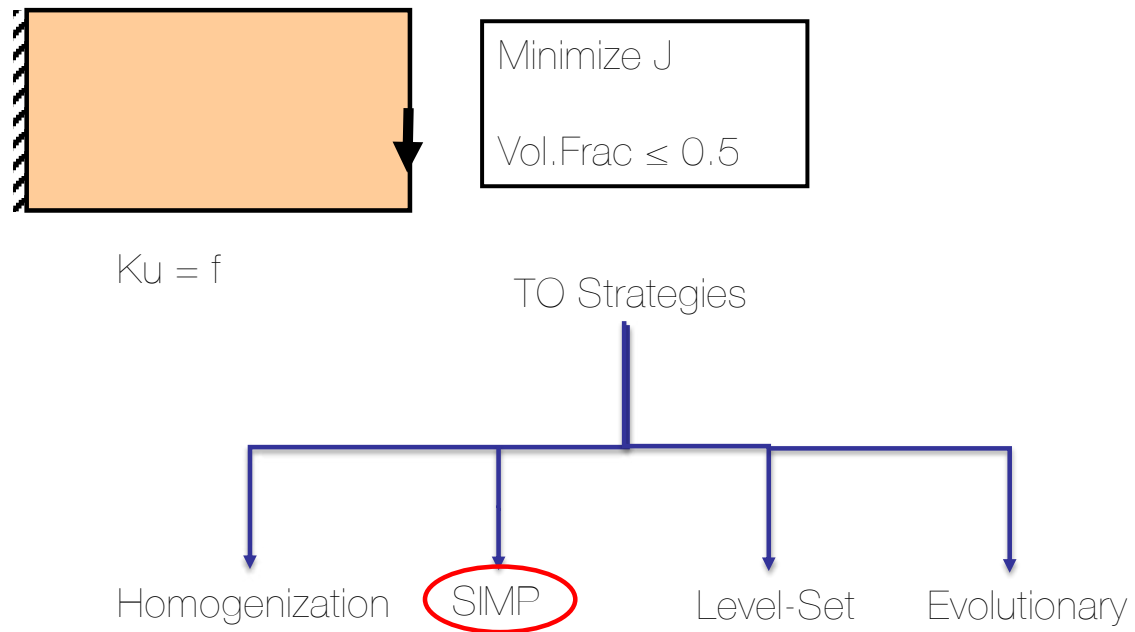
Volume Constraint

Minimize  $J$

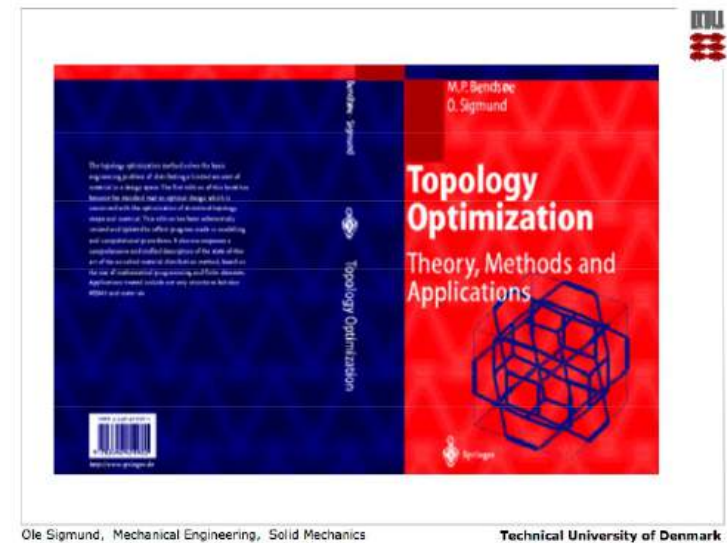
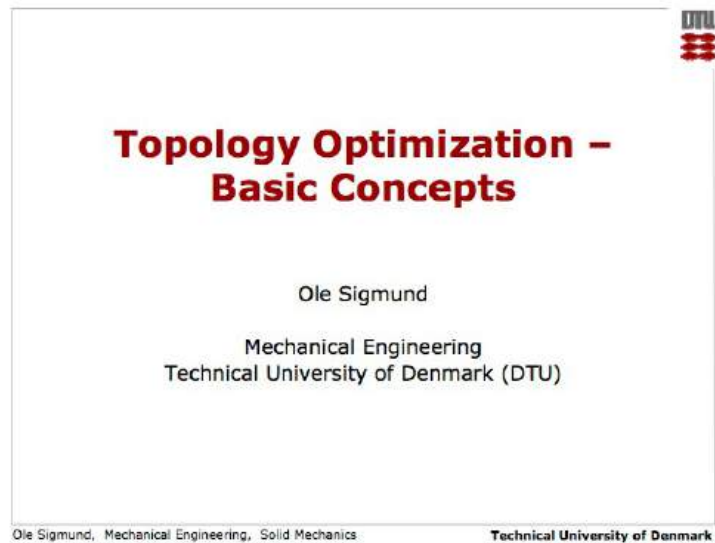
$\text{Vol.Frac} \leq 0.5$

Method: Gradient based:  
Need sensitivities...

## Current TO Strategies

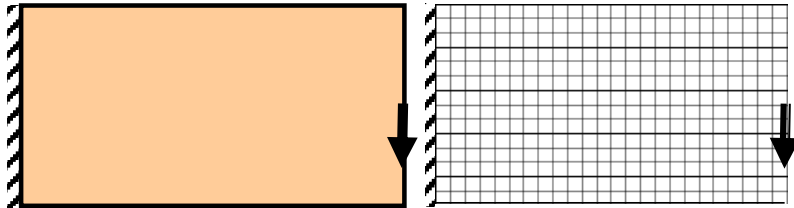


One pioneer, SIMP (Solid Isotropic Material with Penalization)



# SIMP

SIMP: Solid Isotropic Material with Penalization



*Min* Compliance  
 $v = 0.5v_0$

$0 < \rho_e \leq 1$ : 'PseudoDensity'

Where do we add  
 holes?

*Min* Compliance  
 $\rho_e$   
 $\sum \rho_e v_e = 0.5v_0$



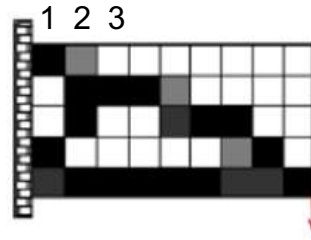


Pixels?



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# Intuitive Problem? Quadratic Form



$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 1 \\ x_2 &= 0.5 \\ x_3 &= 0 \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

- Objective function; Strain energy

$$\min c(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{U} \quad \text{with} \quad x_e = \frac{\rho_e}{\rho_0} \quad (4)$$

with  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}_0 \sum_{e=1}^N x_e^p$  one can write:

$$\min c(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{e=1}^N (x_e)^p \mathbf{u}_e^T \mathbf{k}_0 \mathbf{u}_e \quad \text{Scalar} \quad (5)$$

- Constraints: mass target

$$\frac{V(\mathbf{x})}{V_0} = f = \text{const} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{e=1}^N V_e x_e - V_0 f = 0 = h(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{Scalar}$$

$$0 < \rho_{\min} \leq \rho_e \leq 1$$

$$\min c(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{e=1}^N (x_e)^p \mathbf{u}_e^T \mathbf{k}_0 \mathbf{u}_e$$

## Quadratic Form

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}, \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$$

Quadratic form :  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$

$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$  is a scalar value.

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \quad \searrow \quad \searrow \\ (1 \times m) \times (m \times m) \times (m \times 1) \rightarrow 1 \times 1 \end{array}$$

K is linked through E and x<sub>e</sub>

Rozvany, G.I.N. , Zhou, M., and Gollub, M. (1989). Continuum Type Optimality Criteria Methods for Large Finite Element Systems with a Displacement Constraint, Part 1. *Structural Optimization* 1:47-72.

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}_0 \sum_{e=1}^N x_e^p \quad x_e = \frac{\rho_e}{\rho_0}$$

What is p,  
(simP)????????

- But HOW ??

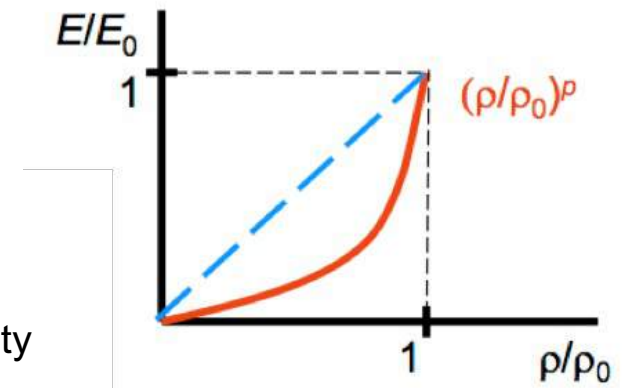
Avoid intermediate densities !

## Solid Isotropic Material with Penalization (SIMP)

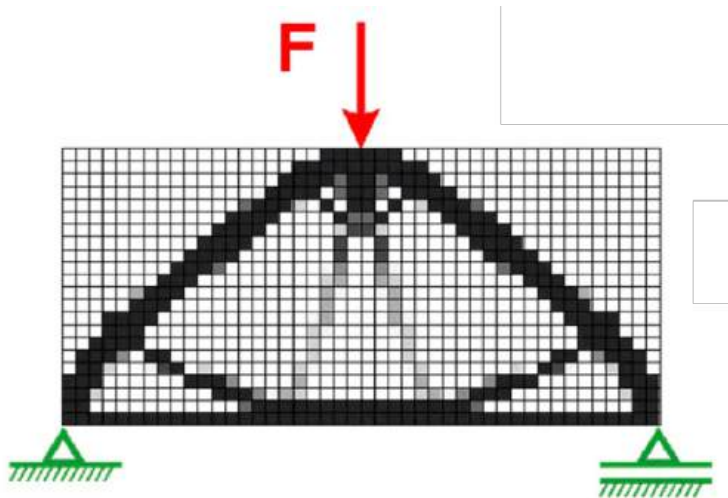
$$E(x) = E_{min} + (E_0 - E_{min})x^p$$

$p$  is the penalty parameter to push densities to black (1) and white (0).

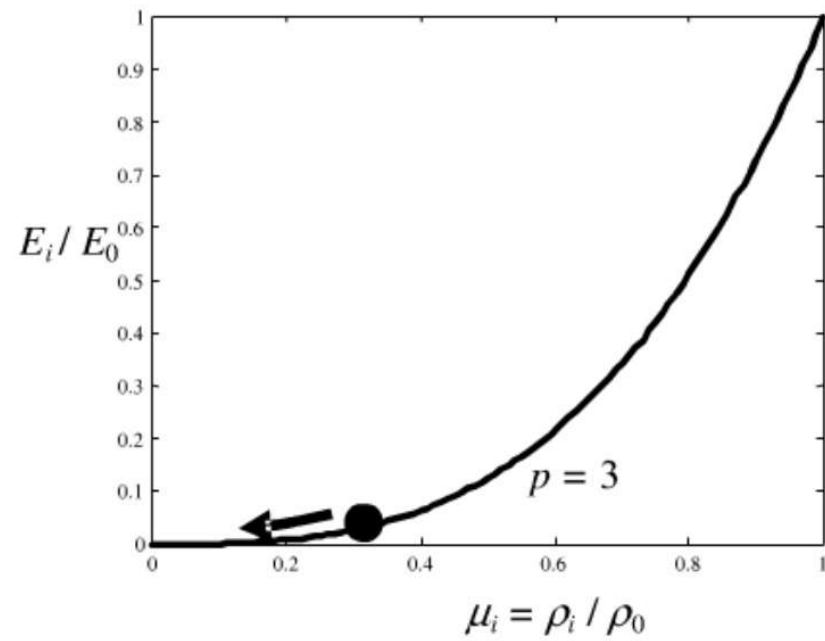
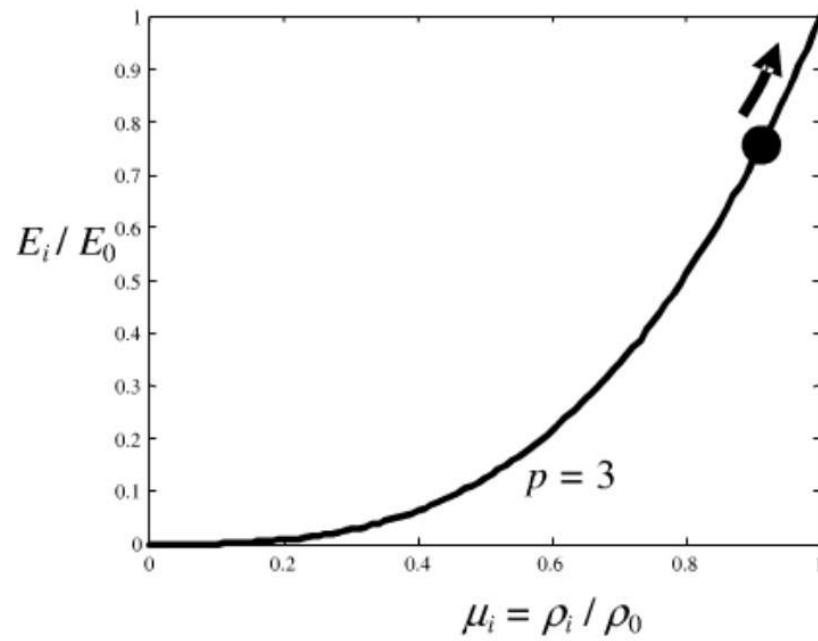
$E_{min}$  is a small value that avoid stiffness matrix singularity



Penalization for altering stiffness locally



Let's take  $p=3$



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# Penalty parameter in the SIMP method: Proof

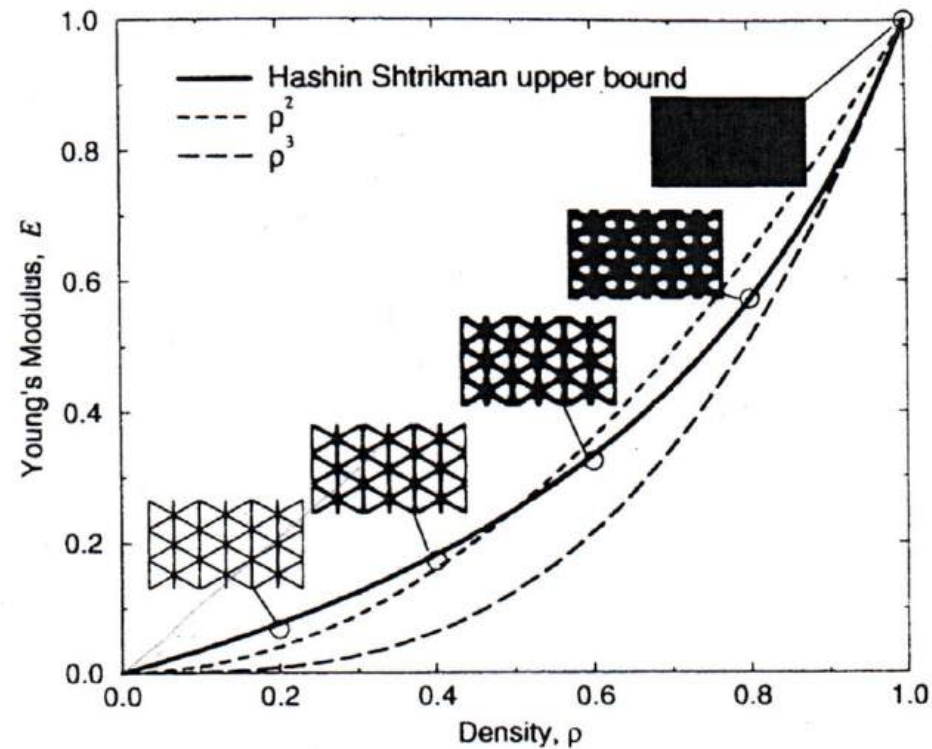
Hashin-Shtrikman bounds

$$0 \leq E \leq \frac{\rho E^0}{3 - 2\rho}$$

Therefore,

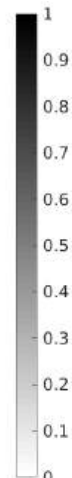
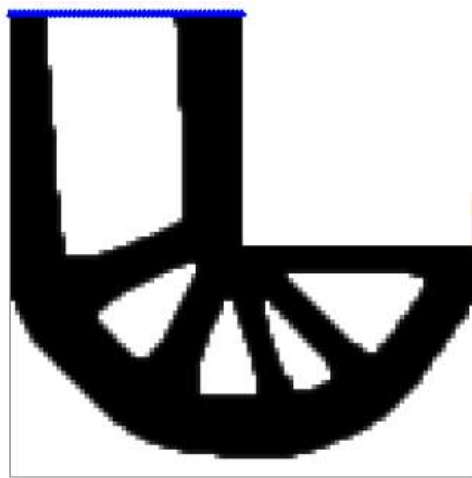
$$\rho^p E^0 \leq \frac{\rho E^0}{3 - 2\rho}$$

$$\Rightarrow p \geq 3$$

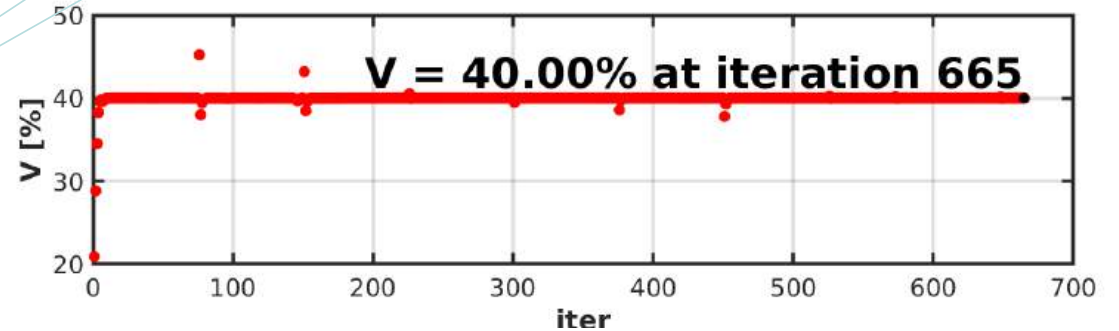
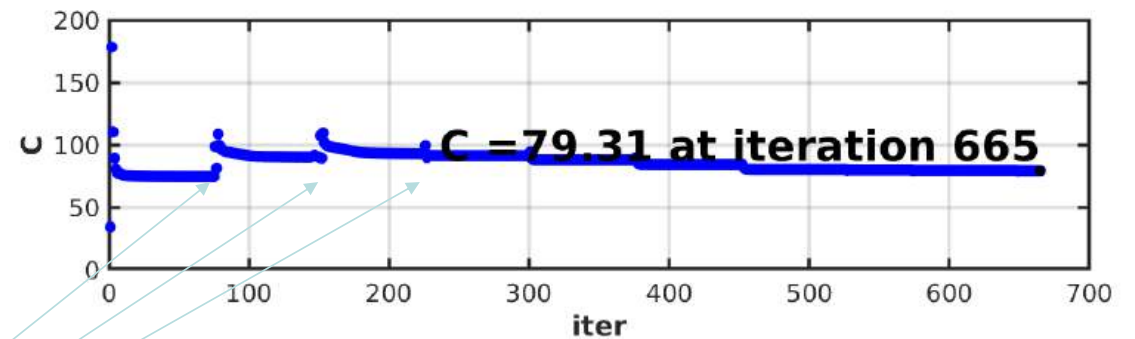


Bendsøe, M.P. and Sigmund, O., "Material Interpolation Schemes in Topology Optimization," *Archives in Applied Mechanics*, Vol. 69, (9-10), 1999, pp. 635-654.

# Penalty parameter in the SIMP method: Continuation Methods



Increase  $p$   
Reduce the filter radius  
Increase  $\beta$





Nice idea !

1. Transform discrete variables continuously (TO USE gradient-based algorithms)
2. Find an objective function with "cheap" derivatives (we will see this later)

## Others formulations

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \max_{l=1,\dots,nc} C_l &= \mathbf{F}_l^T \mathbf{q}_l \\ \sum_i \mu_i V_i &\leq \bar{V} \\ 0 &< \underline{\mu}_i \leq \mu_i \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

- If several load cases nc
- we can minimize the maximal compliance
- with  $\mathbf{q}_l$  obtained by solving  $\mathbf{K}\mathbf{q}_l = \mathbf{F}_l$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \sum_i \mu_i V_i \\ q_j &\leq \bar{q}_j \quad j = 1, \dots, m \\ 0 &< \underline{\mu}_i \leq \mu_i \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

- Prescribed displacement
- we can minimize the volume (mass)
- wrt amplitude at node j inferior to a certain displacement

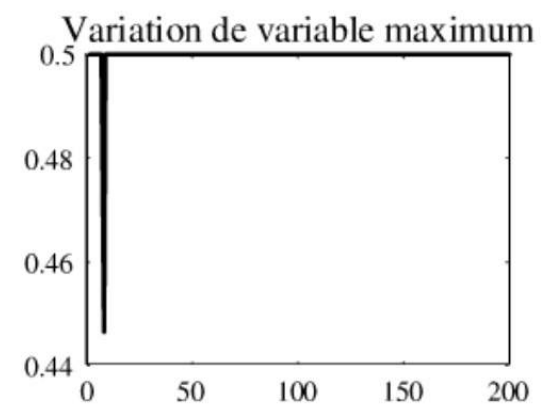
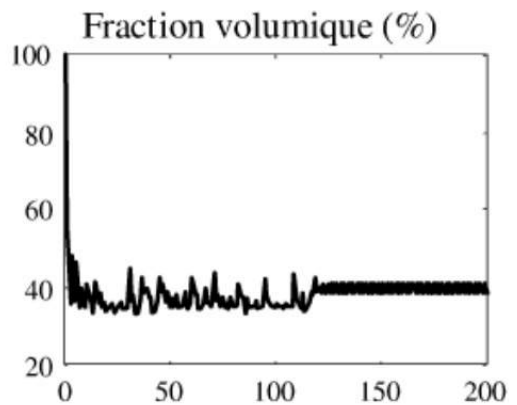
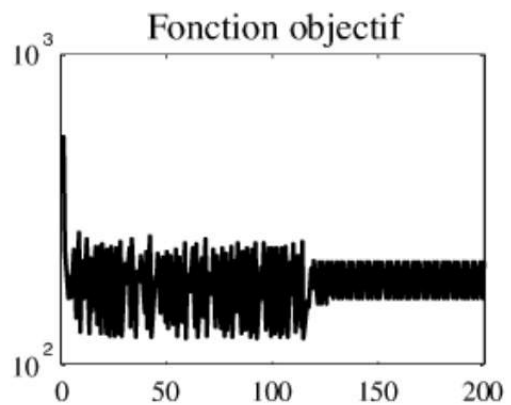
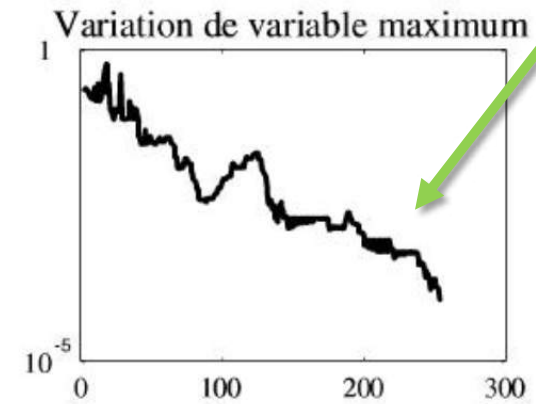
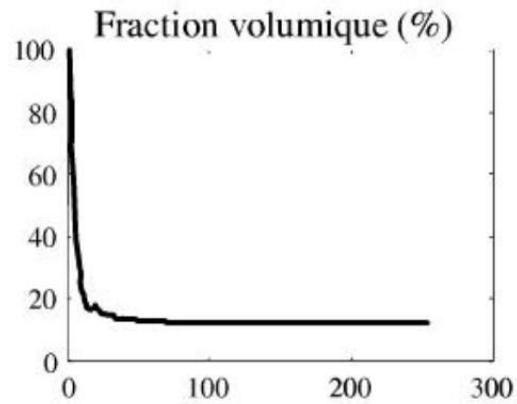
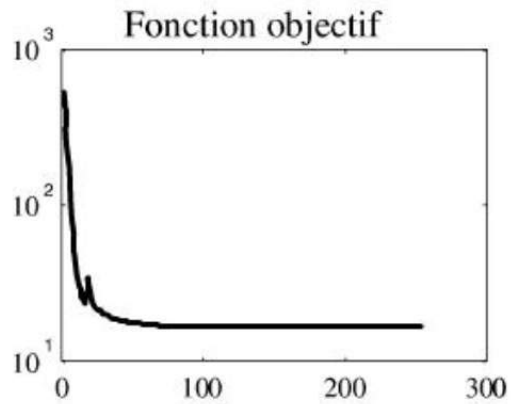
## Others formulations

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\underline{\mu}} \min_{k=1, \dots, n_f} \omega_k \\ & \sum_i \mu_i V_i \leq \bar{V} \\ & 0 < \underline{\mu}_i \leq \mu_i \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

- Eigensolver to obtain the stiffest structure at a certain volfrac

→ wrt a vibration ccriteria

Which is the best optimizer? why ?



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Can you comment this ? Compliance are re

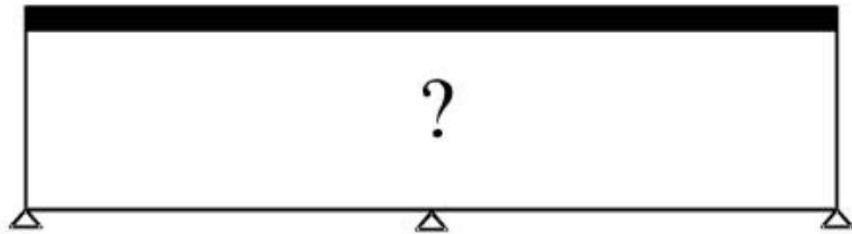


Figure 13.18 Problème du pont.

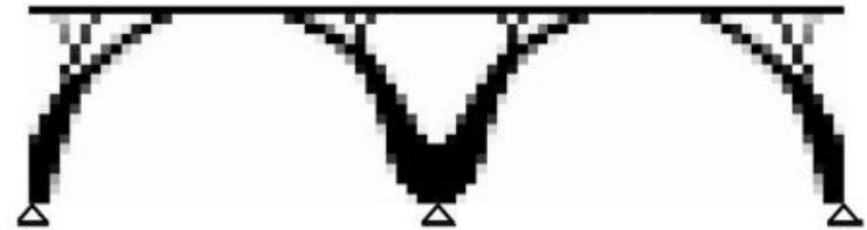


Figure 13.19 Solution du problème du pont avec MMA.



Figure 13.20 Solution du problème du pont avec GCMMA.

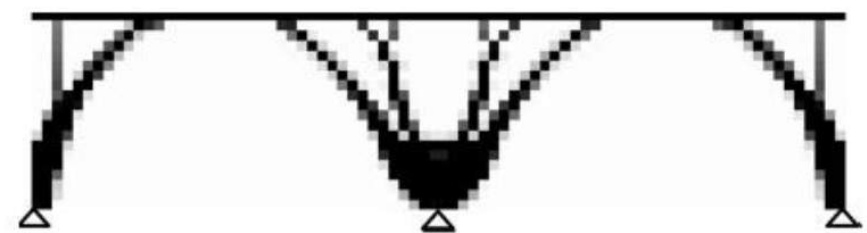
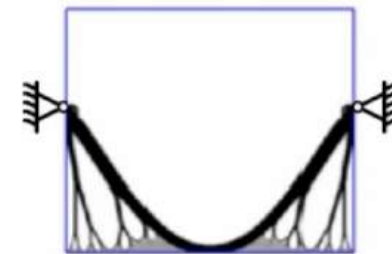
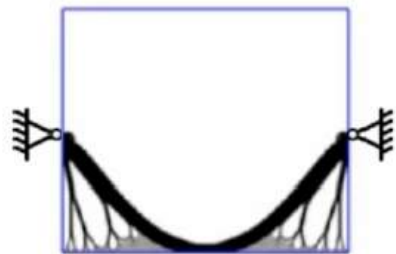
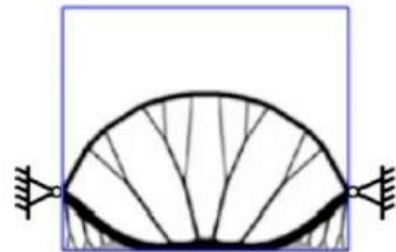
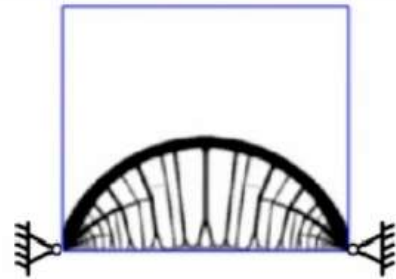


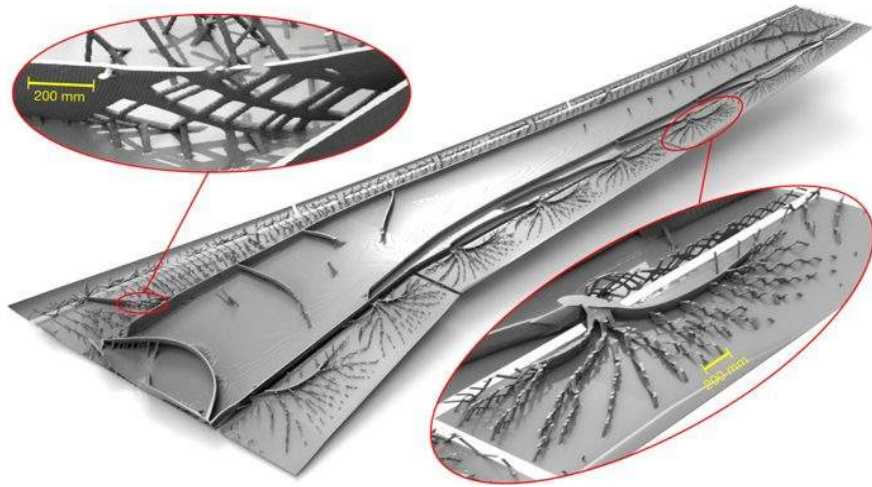
Figure 13.21 Solution du problème du pont avec GCM.

Small changes in BCs ...



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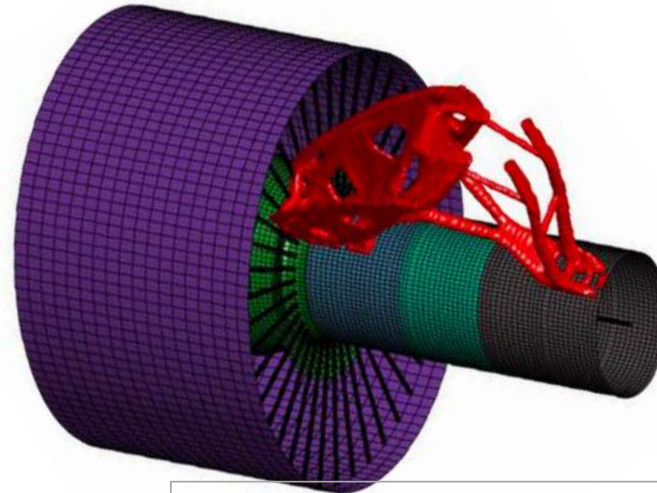
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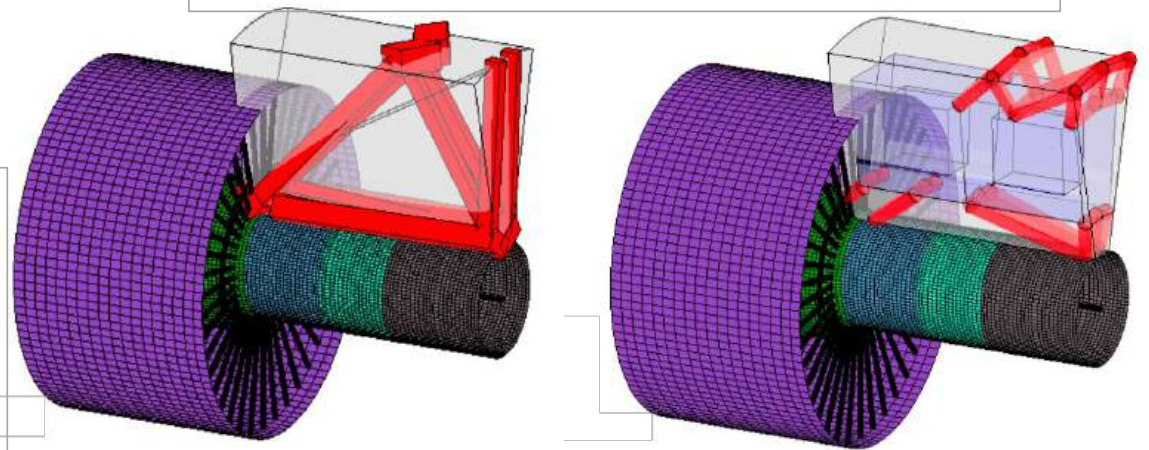
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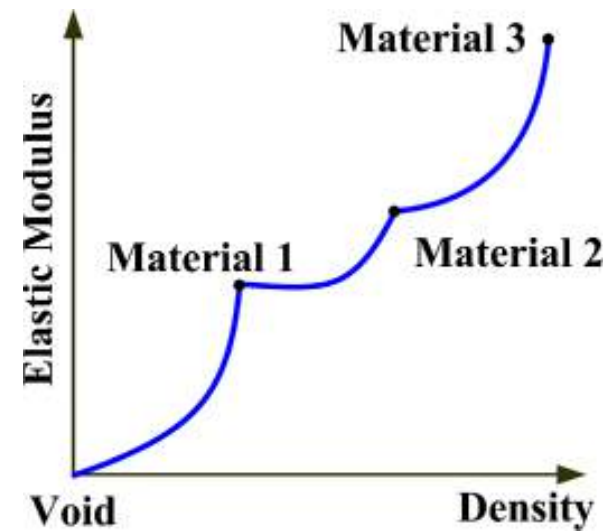


# MULTIMATERIAL

- Solid Isotropic Material with Penalization (SIMP)

- $E_e(\rho_e) = A_E * \rho_e^p + B_E$  ,

$$\rho_e \in [\rho_i, \rho_{i+1}] , \quad A_E = \frac{E_i - E_{i+1}}{\rho_i^p - \rho_{i+1}^p} , \quad B_E = E_i - A_E * \rho_i^p$$



Zuo, W., & Saitou, K. (2016). Multi-material topology optimization using ordered SIMP interpolation. *Structural and Multidisciplinary Optimization*, 55(2), 477-491. doi:10.1007/s00158-016-1513-3

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# Part2: TOPOPT in practice


Lego?

BUT ...IN PRACTICE?

## Educational article:

O. Sigmund , A 99 line topology optimization code written in Matlab Struct Multidisc Optim 21, 120–127 Springer-Verlag 2001

Heuristic formulation (intuitive method of optimisation, but with no convergency proofs) to update  $x_e$  by bi-section algorithm



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## History (1988, Bendsoe)

A topology optimization problem based on the power-law approach, where the objective is to minimize compliance can be written as

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \min_{\mathbf{x}}: \quad c(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{U} = \sum_{e=1}^N (x_e)^p \mathbf{u}_e^T \mathbf{k}_0 \mathbf{u}_e \\ \text{subject to:} \quad \frac{V(\mathbf{x})}{V_0} = f \\ \quad \quad \quad : \quad \mathbf{K} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F} \\ \quad \quad \quad : \quad \mathbf{0} < \mathbf{x}_{\min} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{1} \end{array} \right\}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{F}$  are the global displacement and force vectors, respectively,  $\mathbf{K}$  is the global stiffness matrix,  $\mathbf{u}_e$  and  $\mathbf{k}_e$  are the element displacement vector and stiffness matrix, respectively,  $\mathbf{x}$  is the vector of design variables,  $\mathbf{x}_{\min}$  is a vector of minimum relative densities (non-zero to avoid singularity),  $N$  ( $= \mathbf{nelx} \times \mathbf{nely}$ ) is the number of elements used to discretize the design domain,  $p$  is the penalization power (typically  $p = 3$ ),  $V(\mathbf{x})$  and  $V_0$  is the material volume and design domain volume, respectively and  $f$  (`volfrac`) is the prescribed volume fraction.

# State-of-Art – SIMP<sup>1,2</sup>

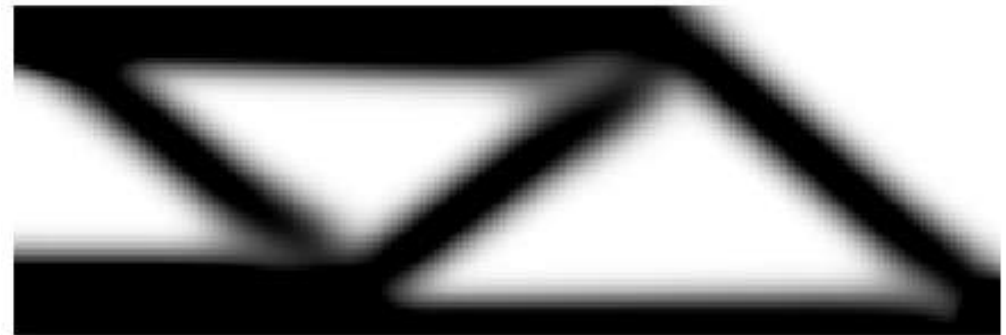
Predict an optimal distribution of the material in a design space for given boundary conditions and design constraints

Density-based toptopt

$$E_e = E_{min} + x_e^p (E_0 - E_{min})$$

$$c(x) = U^T K U = \sum_{e=1}^N E_e (x_e)^p u_e^T k_0 u_e$$

MBB problem result by top88<sup>3</sup>



$c = 222.3$

1 - Bendsøe MP (1989) Optimal shape design as a material distribution problem.

2 - Zhou M, Rozvany G (1991) The COC algorithm, part II: topological, geometrical and generalized shape optimization.

3 - Andreassen E, Clausen A, Schevenels M, Lazarov B, Sigmund O (2010) Efficient topology optimization in MATLAB using 88 lines of code

## Compliance minimization **self adjoint**

- Compliance is the opposite of stiffness

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{u}$$

- Inexpensive derivatives (use chain rule)

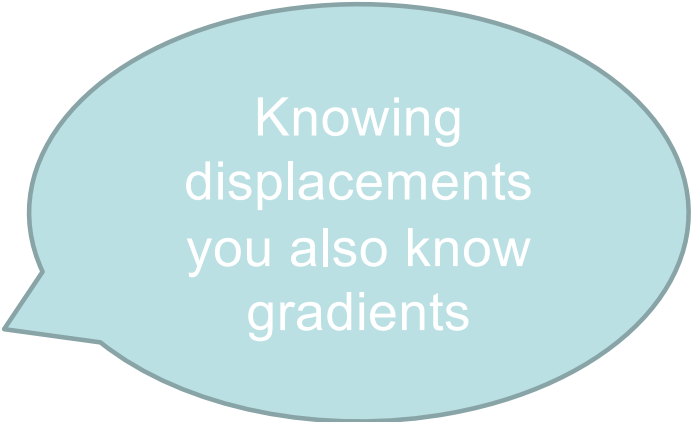
$$\frac{dC}{dx} = 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{K} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dx} + \mathbf{u}^T \frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dx} \mathbf{u}$$

But since  $\mathbf{K}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$  if  $\mathbf{f}$  does not depend on  $x$

$$\mathbf{K} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dx} = -\frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dx} \mathbf{u}$$

$$\frac{dC}{dx} = -\mathbf{u}^T \frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dx} \mathbf{u}$$

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Knowing  
displacements  
you also know  
gradients

## Density design variables

Need a DEMO ?

- Recall  $\frac{dC}{dx} = -\mathbf{u}^T \frac{dK}{dx} \mathbf{u}$
- For density variables

$$\frac{dC}{d\rho^e} \propto -\mathbf{u}^T \rho^{p-1} K^e \mathbf{u}$$

- Want to increase density of elements with high strain energy and vice versa
- To minimize compliance for given weight can use an optimality criterion method.

And for other responses?

$$0 = f(x, U)$$

$$\frac{\partial 0}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f^T}{\partial U} \frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$$

$$KU = F$$

$$\frac{\partial K}{\partial x} U + K \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial 0}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f^T}{\partial U} \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial f^T}{\partial U} K^{-1} \frac{\partial K}{\partial x} U = -\frac{\partial f^T}{\partial U} \delta$$

$$K\lambda = \frac{\partial f}{\partial U} \text{ Adjoint Method}$$

$$K\delta = \frac{\partial K}{\partial x} U \text{ Direct Method}$$

Either one solution per  
response  
Either one solution per  
design variables  
That's why  
Compliance!

# Matlab Code

```

x(1:nely,1:nelx) = volfrac; % INITIALIZE

loop = 0; change = 1.;
while change > 0.01 % START ITERATION While Xk+1>>Xk
    loop = loop + 1;
    xold = x;
    [U]=FE(nelx,nely,x,penal); % FE-ANALYSIS
    [KE] = lk;
    c = 0.;

    for ely = 1:nely
        for elx = 1:nelx
            n1 = (nely+1)*(elx-1)+ely;
            n2 = (nely+1)* elx +ely;
            Ue = U([2*n1-1;2*n1; 2*n2-1;2*n2; 2*n2+1;2*n2+2; 2*n1+1;2*n1+2],1);
            c = c + x(ely,elx)^penal*Ue'*KE*Ue; % OBJECTIVE FUNCTION
            dc(ely,elx) = -penal*x(ely,elx)^(penal-1)*Ue'*KE*Ue; % SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS
        end
    end
end
end

```

## Sensitivity

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial x_e} = -p(x_e)^{p-1} \mathbf{u}_e^T \mathbf{k}_0 \mathbf{u}_e$$

## Update rule

### ► OPTIMALITY CRITERIA METHOD

$$B_e = \begin{cases} \max(x_{\min}, x_e - m) & \text{if } x_e B_e^\eta \leq \max(x_{\min}, x_e - m), \\ x_e B_e^\eta & \text{if } \max(x_{\min}, x_e - m) < x_e B_e^\eta < \min(1, x_e + m) \\ \min(1, x_e + m) & \text{if } \min(1, x_e + m) \leq x_e B_e^\eta, \end{cases}$$

$$B_e = \frac{-\frac{\partial c}{\partial x_e}}{\lambda \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_e}}$$

## • Optimality criterion

- If “ $-\frac{\partial c}{\partial \rho_i}$ ” is large, increase  $\rho_i$
- Otherwise, decrease  $\rho_i$
- How to determine large or small?
- Bisection search for a threshold



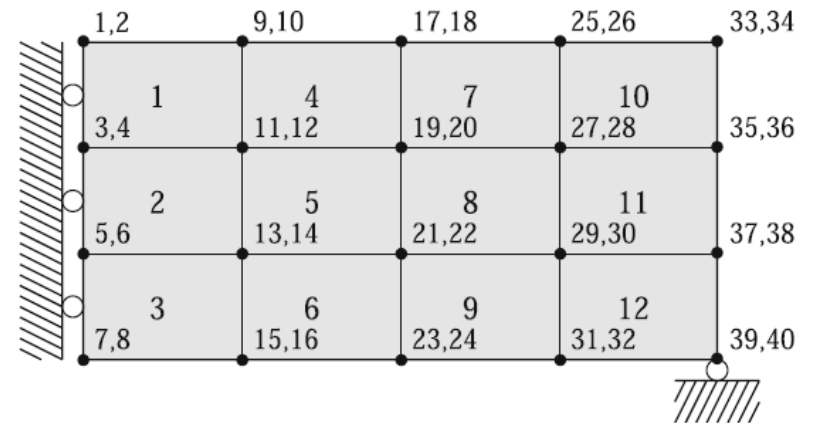
# Element Stiffness Matrix

$$\mathbf{K}_e = \int_{-b}^b \int_{-a}^a \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{E} \mathbf{B} t dx dy$$

$8 \times 8$       $8 \times 3$       $3 \times 3$       $3 \times 8$

```
function [KE]=lk
%Element Stiffness Matrix
```

```
E = 1.;
nu = 1/3.;
k=[ 1/2-nu/6 1/8+nu/8 -1/4+nu/12 -1/8-nu/8
   -1/4-nu/12 -1/8+3*nu/8 ... nu/6 1/8-3*nu/8];
KE = E/(1-nu^2)* ...
[ k(1) k(2) k(3) k(4) k(5) k(6) k(7) k(8)
  k(2) k(1) k(8) k(7) k(6) k(5) k(4) k(3) k(3) k(8) k(1) k(6)
  k(7) k(4) k(5) k(2) k(4) k(7) k(6) k(1) k(8) k(3) k(2) k(5)
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  k(8) k(3) k(2) k(5) k(4) k(7) k(6) k(1)];
```



## FEM Analysis (2D mesh is invariant wrt to homotheties)

```
function [U]=FE(nelx,nely,x,penal)
[KE] = lk;
K = sparse(2*(nelx+1)*(nely+1), 2*(nelx+1)*(nely+1));
F = sparse(2*(nely+1)*(nelx+1),1); U = zeros(2*(nely+1)*(nelx+1),1);
for elx = 1:nelx
    for ely = 1:nely
        n1 = (nely+1)*(elx-1)+ely;
        n2 = (nely+1)* elx +ely;
        edof = [2*n1-1; 2*n1; 2*n2-1; 2*n2; 2*n2+1; 2*n2+2; 2*n1+1; 2*n1+2];
        K(edof,edof) = K(edof,edof) + x(ely,elx)^penal*KE;
    end
end
F(2*(nelx+1)*(nely+1),1)=-1;
fixeddofs=union([1,2],[2*nely+1:2*(nely+1)]);
alldofs = [1:2*(nely+1)*(nelx+1)];
freedofs = setdiff(alldofs,fixeddofs);
% SOLVING
U(freedofs,:) = K(freedofs,freedofs) \ F(freedofs,:);
U(fixeddofs,:)= 0;
```

## TO HAVE REAL DISPLACEMENT

- 1) Choose consistent units **N, mm, MPa** for example (*Remember Nastran Course*)
- 2) Put the real Young's modulus  $E=210^3$  **MPa** for example;
- 3) Multiply the unit load by true amplitude  $F$  for example  $54 \times 10^3$  **N** ;
- 4) Multiply the elementary stiffness matrix by the thickness (**mm**)
- 5) 2D mesh is invariant wrt to homotheties ; Need to check that  $n_{elx}$  and  $n_{ely}$  are related to the true value for example **140 and 50 mm**
- 6) Apply the BCs

The compliance unit is **mJ**.

# OPTIMALITY CRITERIA

```
function [xnew]=OC(nelx,nely,x,volfrac,dc)
l1 = 0; l2 = 100000; move = 0.2;
while (l2-l1 > 1e-4)
    lmid = 0.5*(l2+l1);
    xnew = max(0.001,max(x-move,min(1.,min(x+move,x.*sqrt(-dc./lmid)))));
    if sum(sum(xnew)) - volfrac*nelx*nely > 0;
        l1 = lmid;
    else
        l2 = lmid;
    end
end
```

lmid: 50.0000	l1: 0.0000	l2: 50.0000
lmid: 25.0000	l1: 0.0000	l2: 25.0000
lmid: 12.5000	l1: 0.0000	l2: 12.5000
lmid: 6.2500	l1: 6.2500	l2: 12.5000
lmid: 9.3750	l1: 6.2500	l2: 9.3750
lmid: 7.8125	l1: 6.2500	l2: 7.8125
lmid: 7.0313	l1: 7.0313	l2: 7.8125
lmid: 7.4219	l1: 7.0313	l2: 7.4219
lmid: 7.2266	l1: 7.2266	l2: 7.4219
lmid: 7.3242	l1: 7.3242	l2: 7.4219
lmid: 7.3730	l1: 7.3242	l2: 7.3730
lmid: 7.3486	l1: 7.3242	l2: 7.3486
lmid: 7.3364	l1: 7.3364	l2: 7.3486
lmid: 7.3425	l1: 7.3425	l2: 7.3486
lmid: 7.3456	l1: 7.3425	l2: 7.3456
lmid: 7.3441	l1: 7.3441	l2: 7.3456
lmid: 7.3448	l1: 7.3448	l2: 7.3456
lmid: 7.3452	l1: 7.3448	l2: 7.3452
lmid: 7.3450	l1: 7.3450	l2: 7.3452
lmid: 7.3451	l1: 7.3450	l2: 7.3451

Can also use:

- fmincon
- MMA...

The MMA approach, which was initially proposed by Svanberg (see Mini Project) is based on the first-order Taylor series expansion of the objective and constraint functions.

With this method, an explicit convex subproblem is generated to approximate the implicit nonlinear problem.

## Matlab code command

`top(nelx, nely, volfrac, penal, rmin)`

- nelx and nely: number of elements in the horizontal and vertical directions,
- volfrac: volume fraction,
- penal: penalization power,
- rmin: filter size (divided by element size).

## Example 1

Numerical instability

- `top(40, 20, 0.5, 3, 1.0)`



effect → Checkerboard Pattern

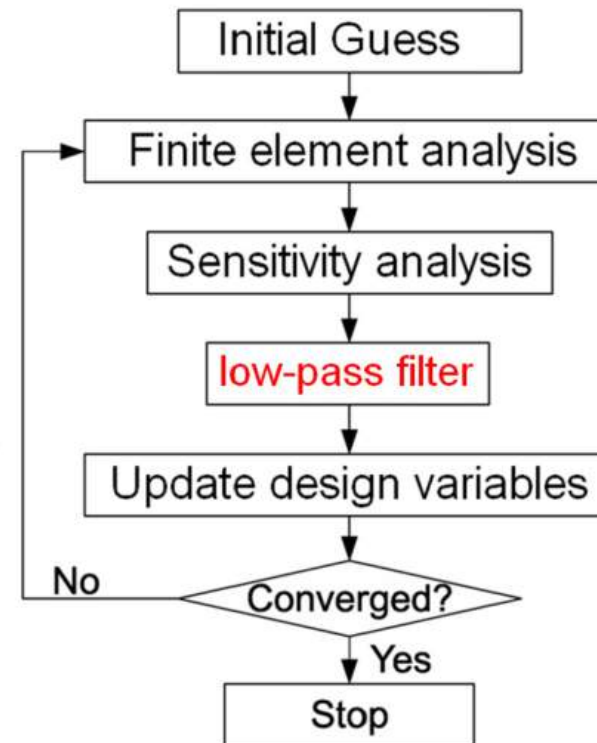
## Example 1 -- Checkerboard Pattern Problem

→ Solution: LOW PASS Filter

$$\widehat{\frac{\partial c}{\partial x_e}} = \frac{1}{x_e \sum_{f=1}^N \hat{H}_f} \sum_{f=1}^N \hat{H}_f x_f \frac{\partial c}{\partial x_f}.$$

$$\hat{H}_f = r_{\min} - \text{dist}(e, f),$$

$$\{f \in N \mid \text{dist}(e, f) \leq r_{\min}\}, \quad e = 1, \dots, N$$



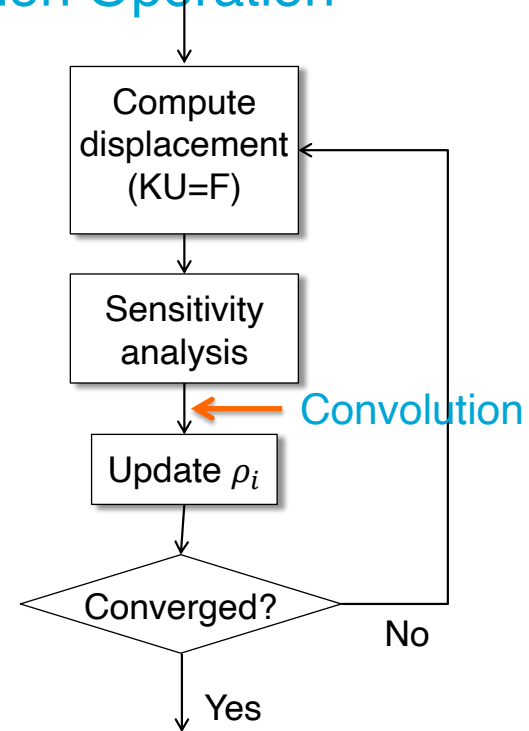
```
[dc] = check(nelx, nely, rmin, x, dc);
```

```
% FILTERING OF SENSITIVITIES
```



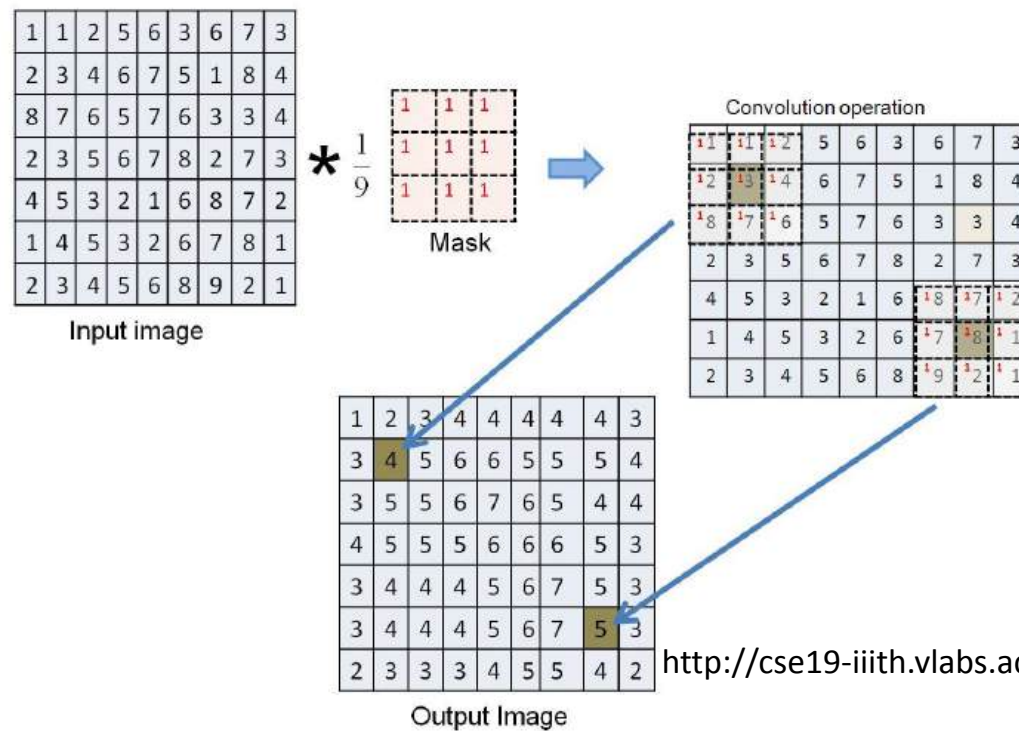
# Filtering

## Sensitivity Filtering by a Convolution Operation



# Filtering

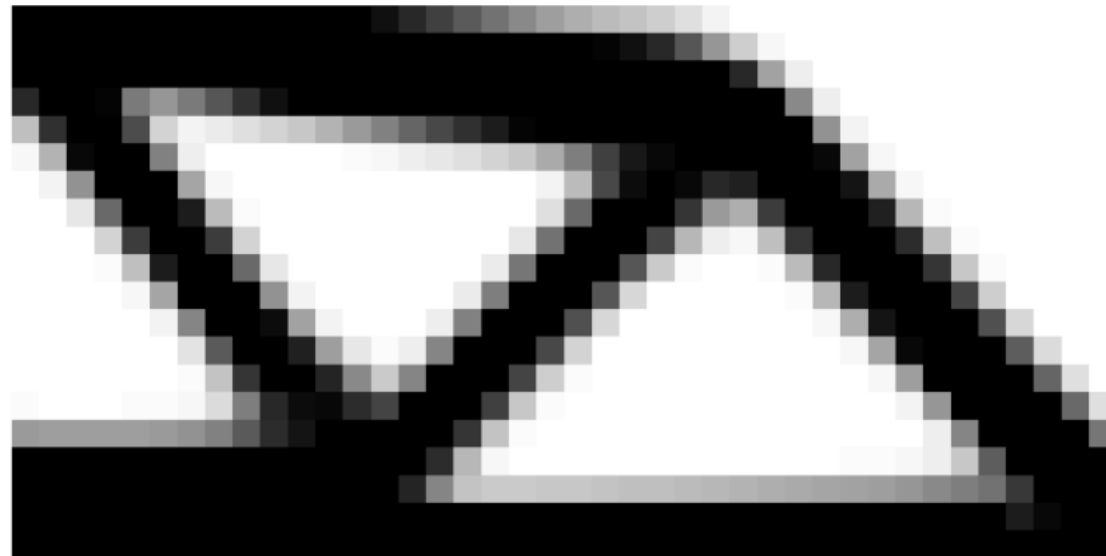
## Convolution Operation



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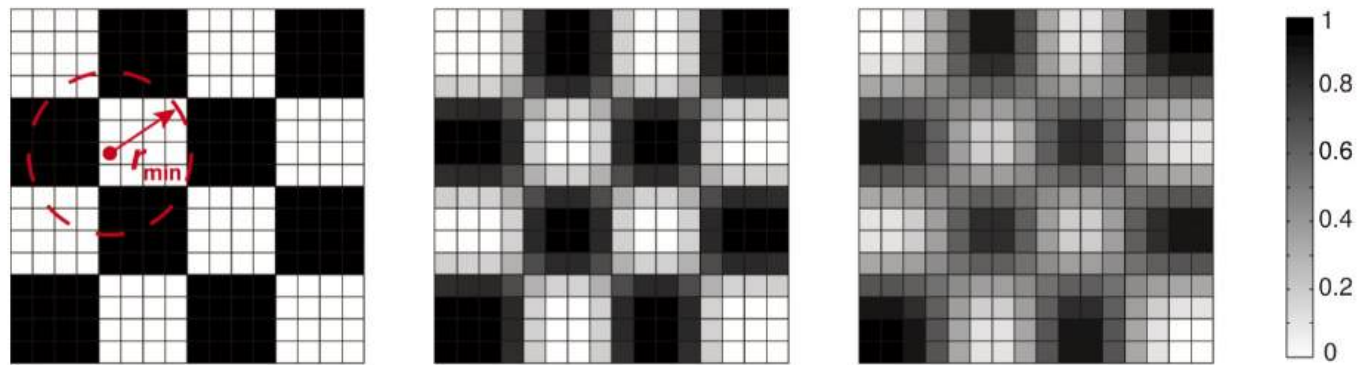
## Example 2

- `top(40, 20, 0.5, 3, 1.5)`



- `top(40, 20, 0.5, 3, 3)` effect?

# Filter

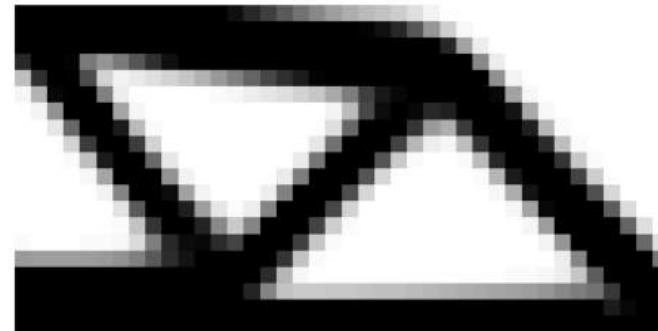


A checkerboard field and filtered fields ( $r_{\min} = 1.5l_e$  and  $3l_e$ )

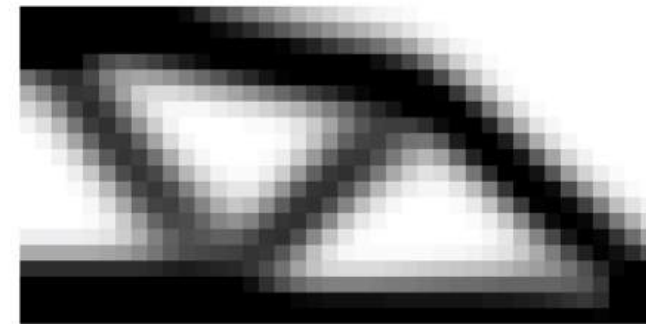
## Example 3

→ Size of the filter makes it possible to obtain a more physical representation (Unblur?)

- $r_{\min}=1.5$   
Obj=82.7562;



- $r_{\min}=3$   
Obj=99.1929;

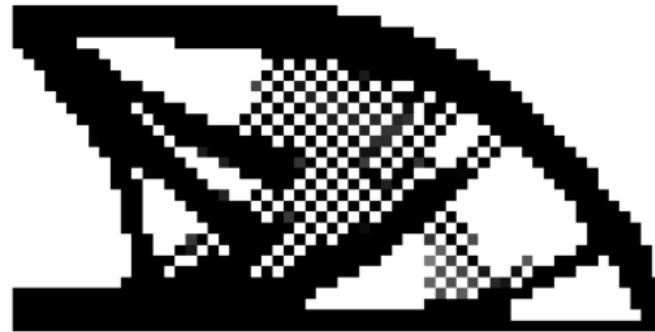


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## Example 3: Change mesh !

- `top(60, 30, 0.5, 3, 1.0)`

Obj: 83.0834



- `top(40, 20, 0.5, 3, 1.0)`

Obj: 80.4086;

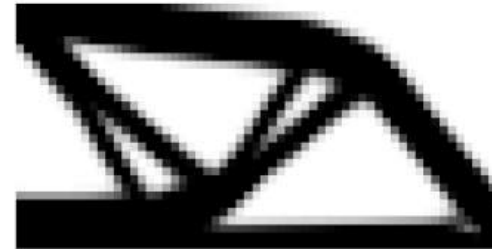


## Example 4: mixing



- `top(60, 30, 0.5, 3, 1.5)`

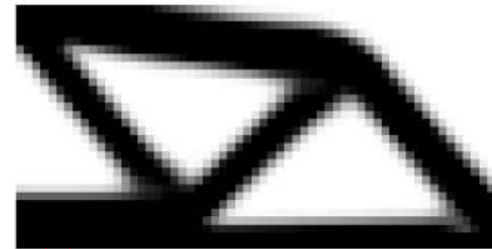
Obj: 81.3491



- `top(60, 30, 0.5, 3, 2.25)`

Obj: 83.5963

→ Filter size



→ +mesh dependency, combined eddect It's complicated

- `top(40, 20, 0.5, 3, 1.5)`

Obj=82.7562;



## Common questions ?

- Grayness level ?

```
%% Greyness Level
```

```
gl = 4/nele*sum(xPhys(:).*(1-xPhys(:)));
```

- How to obtain B&W for the final design ?

```
function xPhys=automatic_threshold(xPhys)
% %code to input xPhys and obtain the B&W design at respected volfrac
```

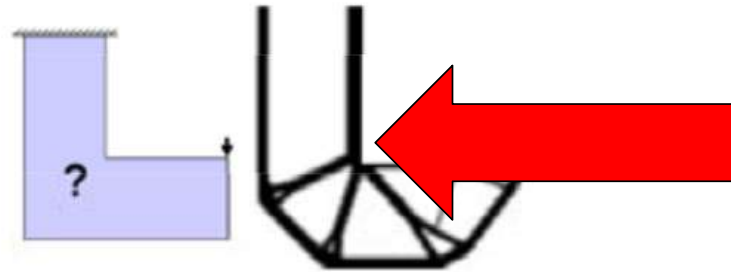
```
xPhys01=xPhys;
volfrac=mean(mean(xPhys))
lowlim=0;
highlim=1;
difVF=1;
while difVF>0.0001 && highlim-lowlim > 0.000001
midlim=(lowlim+highlim)/2;
xPhys01(xPhys>=midlim)=1;
xPhys01(xPhys<midlim)=0;
volfrac01=mean(mean(xPhys01));
difVF=abs(volfrac01-volfrac);
if volfrac01<volfrac
highlim=midlim;
else
lowlim=midlim;
end
end
xPhys=xPhys01;
```



First Exercise

Read and finish the notebook called  
top88\_Student.ipynb

At this time the structure is rigid... but feasible?



Check the  
stress?

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Stress-based (your project)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Find } \mathbf{X} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N]^T \\
 & \text{minimize } f(\mathbf{X}) = W(\mathbf{X}) \\
 & \text{subject } \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{X})\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{F} \\
 & \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{X}) - [\boldsymbol{\sigma}] \leq \mathbf{0} \\
 & \quad \frac{V(\mathbf{X})}{V_0} \leq f \\
 & \quad 0 < x_{\min} \leq x_e \leq x_{\max} \leq 1
 \end{aligned}$$

## Constraints Aggregation (Reduce the Number of Constraints)

$$\boxed{\hat{\rho}_i \leq \alpha, \forall i} \iff \boxed{\max_{i=1, \dots, n} |\hat{\rho}_i| \leq \alpha} \iff \boxed{\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|\rho\|_p = (\sum_i (\hat{\rho}_i)^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \alpha}$$

Too many constraints!

A single constraint  
But non-differentiable

A single constraint  
and differentiable  
Approximated with  $p = 16$

# Stress Based TO

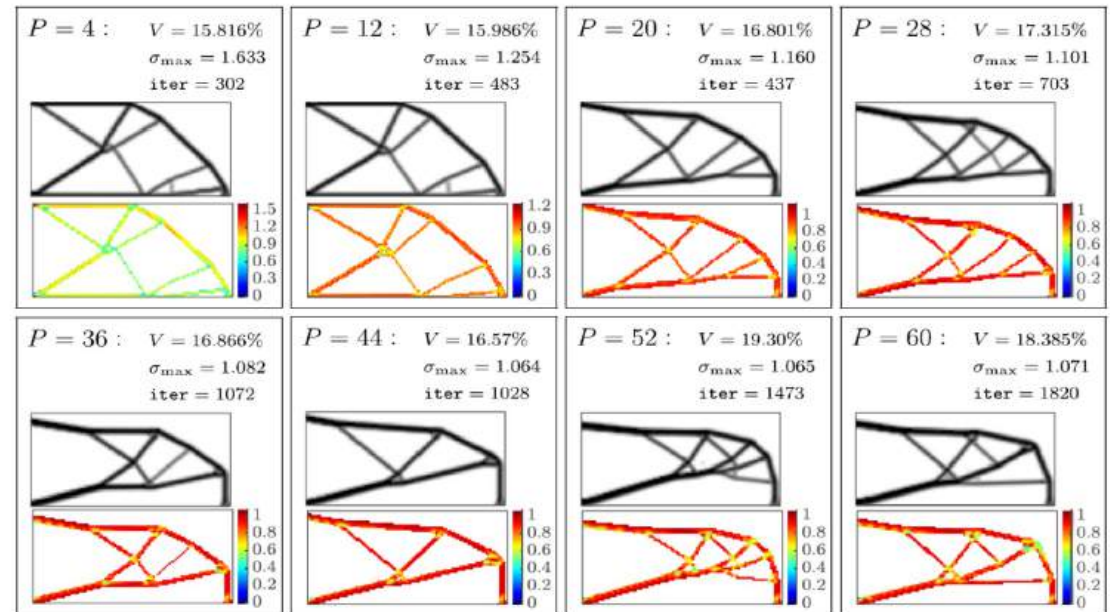
## Microscopic stress tensor

$$\sigma_e = C_e(E_0) \langle \epsilon_e \rangle$$

$$\bar{g}_j = \rho_j \left( \frac{\sigma_j}{\sigma_{\lim}} - 1 \right) \leq 0.$$

## Aggregation

$$G_{KS}^L = \Psi_{KS}^L = \frac{1}{P} \ln \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N e^{P \bar{g}_i} \right) \leq 0.$$

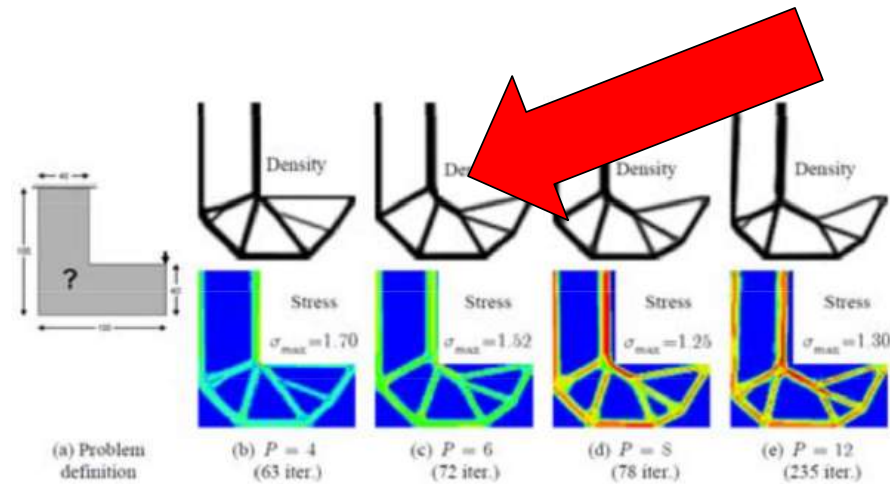


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# Results



Le et al., SMO (2010)

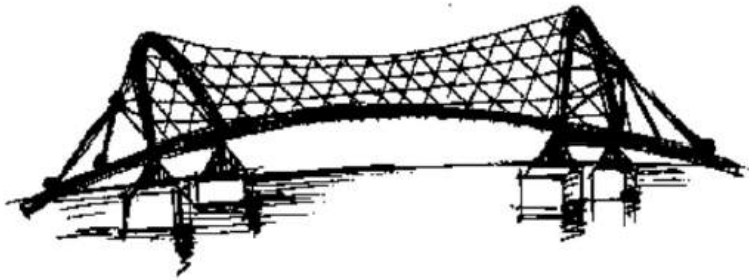
Is it better?

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## Conclusion

**"The art of structure is  
where to put the holes"**

Robert Le Ricolais  
French-American engineer and philosopher  
(1894-1977)



"What is the optimal form for a tall building?  
We don't know..." — William Baker, Skidmore  
Owings and Merrill, Lecture at the Harvard  
Graduate School

"The significant design decision is not how big  
is the beam to be, but rather to have a  
beam." — Sir Alan Harris, Co-founder, Harris &  
Sutherland