A tiny introduction to MDO

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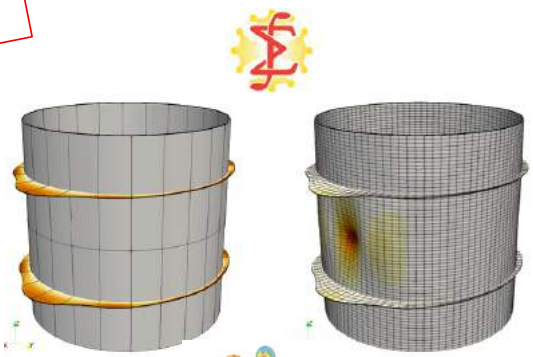

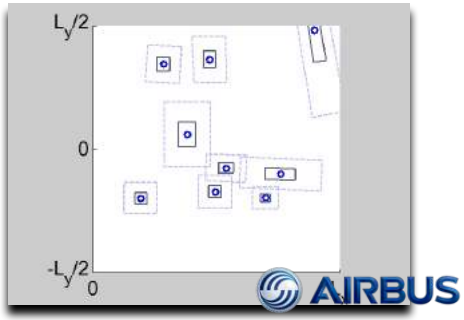

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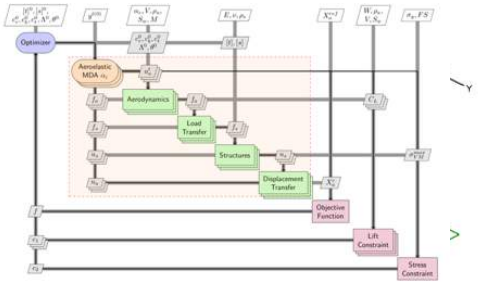

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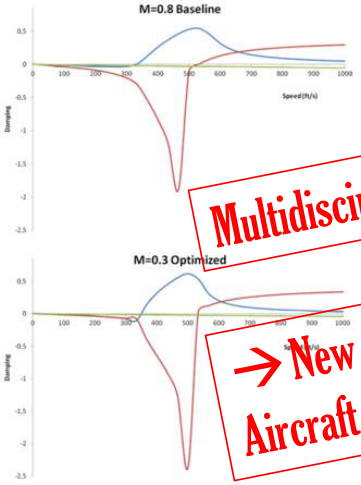
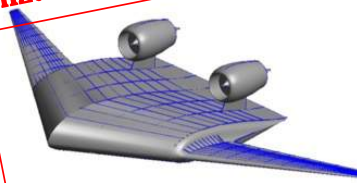


Multidisciplinary Design Optimization



→ New Aerostructures/ Aircraft Concept

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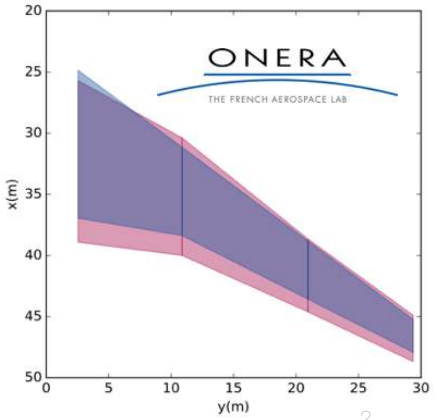

Optimized planform (red) and baseline (blue).

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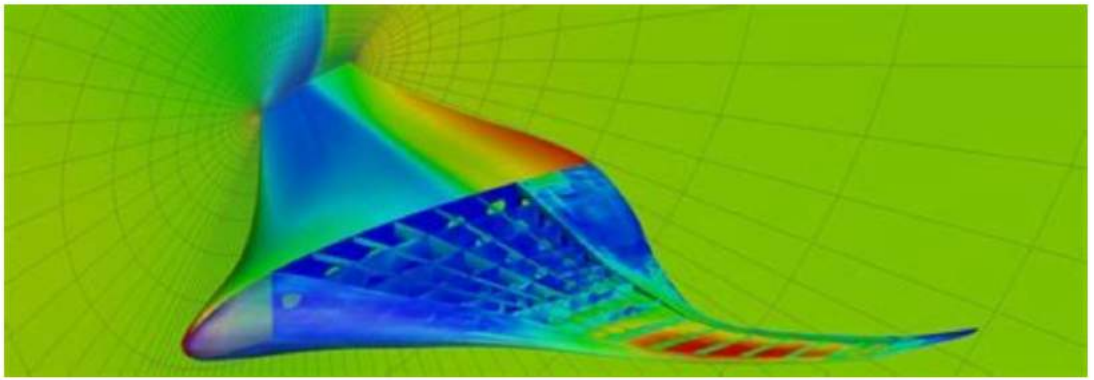
multidisciplinary Design optimization

multidisciplinary optimization

1. MDA
2. MDO
3. Codesign

Popularization



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Optimization [MDO] for connecting people?

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Professor in Structural and Multidisciplinary Design Optimization, ... any idea?
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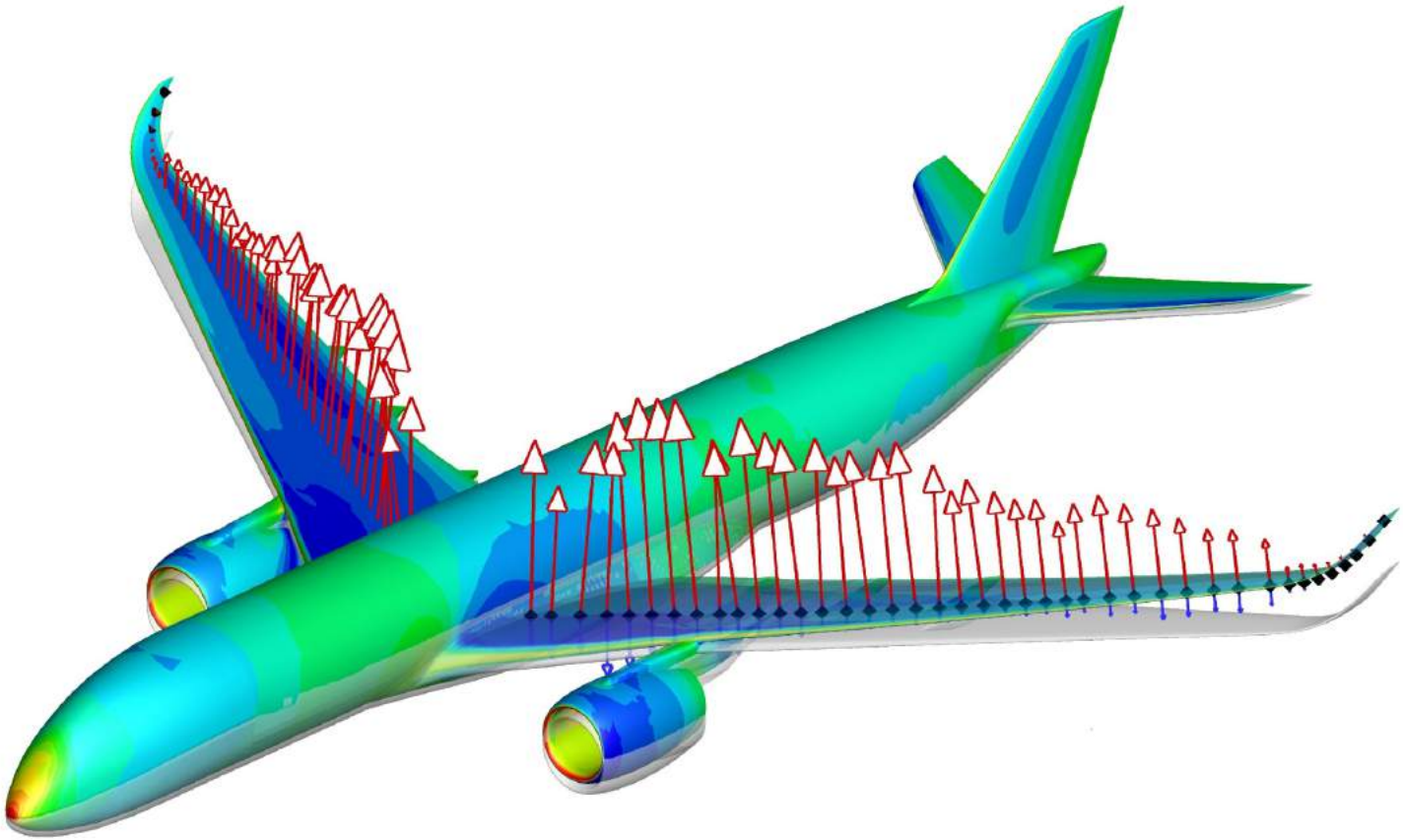
3. Codesign is MDO?

What is an MDA ? Static Aeroelasticity for example?



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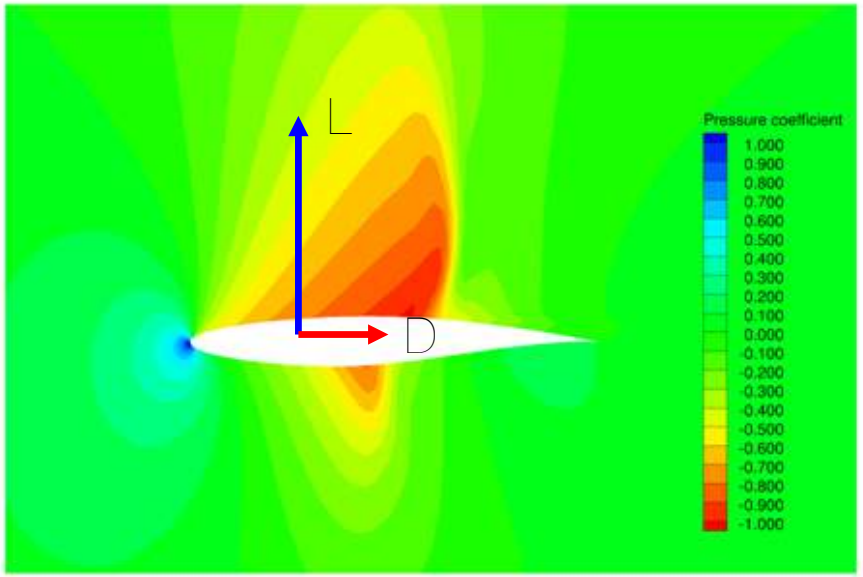
But first, what is Disciplinary Optimization?

Example: Aerodynamics



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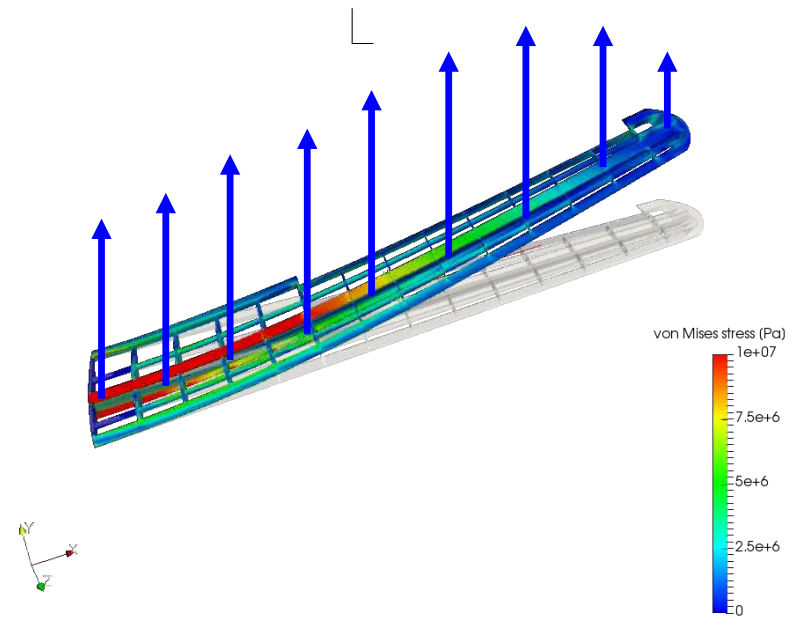
Minimize D
w.r.t. shape, α
Subject to L = W

What is Disciplinary Optimization (2)?

Another example: Structures



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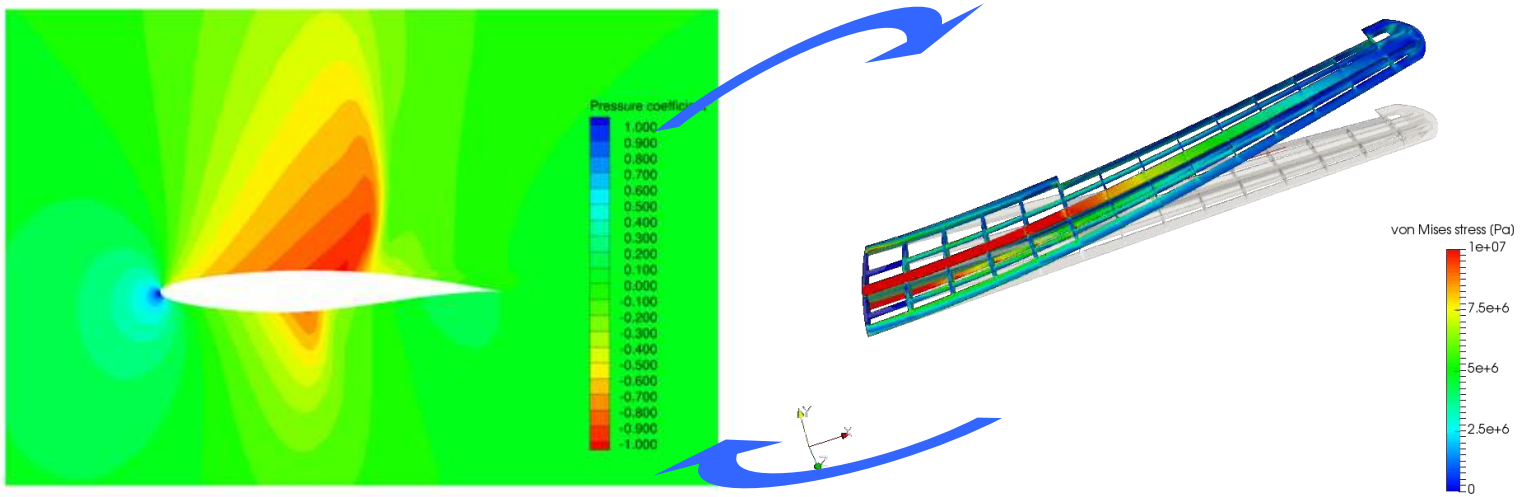
Minimize Mass
w.r.t. thicknesses
Subject to $\sigma \leq \sigma_y$

However… Disciplines are not isolated:



Structural deformation of wing → changes in the shape exposed to airflow

Changes in the shape exposed to airflow → changes in the aerodynamic loads

Then, how do we solve the complete system?

Nodal forces

Structure Analysis

Nodal displacements

Load Transfer

The solution of the complete system is the set of displacements and forces that "satisfy" this loop

Radial Basis Function displacement interpolation (same for y and z)

$$u_x = \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} \alpha_i^x \phi(\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x_i}\|) + \gamma_0^x + \gamma_x^x x + \gamma_y^x y + \gamma_z^x z$$

Displacement interpolation matrix

$$u_a = H u_s$$

Loads using principle of virtual work

$$f_s = H^T f_a$$

Rendall, T. C. S., & Allen, C. B. (2008). Unified fluid–structure interpolation and mesh motion using radial basis functions. International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering, 74(10), 1519-1559.

Forces on aero grid points

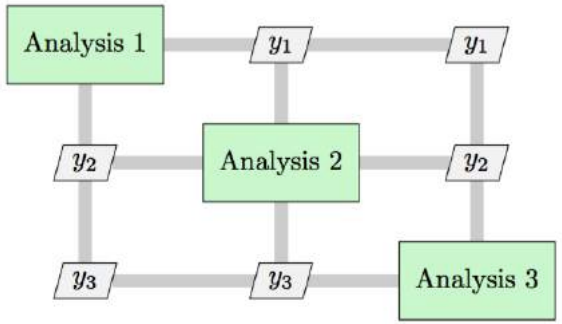
Aerodynamic Analysis

Aero grid displacements

Multi-Disciplinary Analysis

- Computation of the state variables at equilibrium for given x and z
  - Generally computed using a fixed-point algorithm (Jacobi or Gauss-Seidel)
  - Or a root-finding method (Newton-Raphson)

Input: Design variables x
Output: Coupling variables, y
0: Initiate MDA iteration loop
repeat
1: Evaluate Analysis 1 and update $y_1(y_2, y_3)$
2: Evaluate Analysis 2 and update $y_2(y_1, y_3)$
3: Evaluate Analysis 3 and update $y_3(y_1, y_2)$
until $4 \rightarrow 1$: MDA has converged



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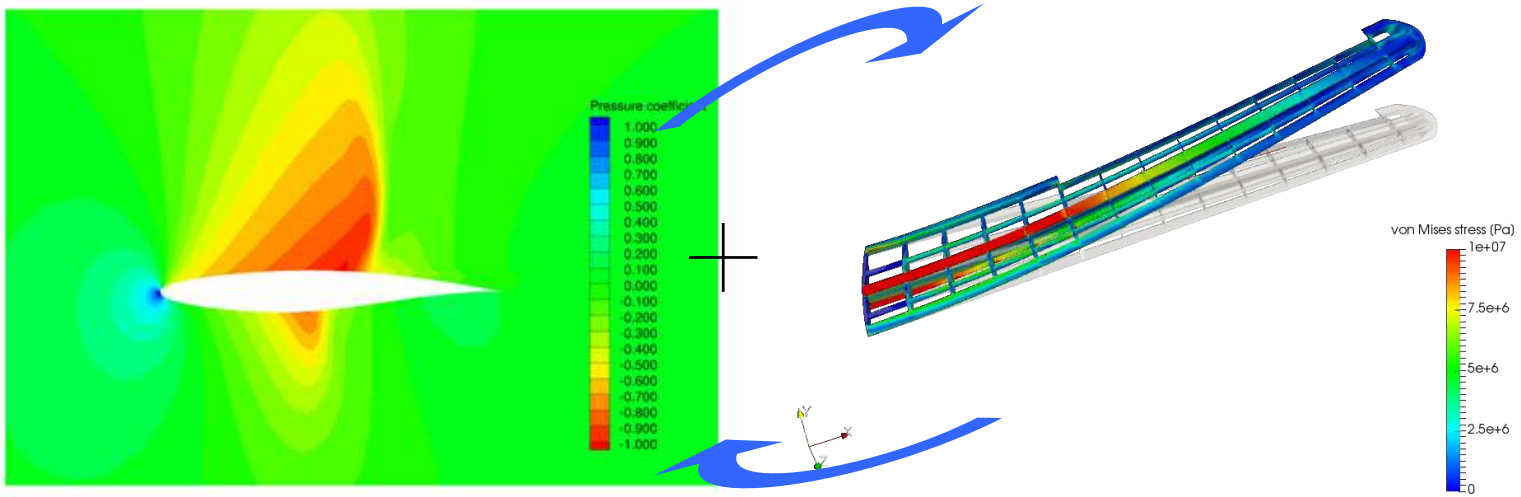
Examples of MDA

- file:///Recherche /Cours/optimstructures3A/SMO_Newcourse/coursJO/Day3/MDA_Intro/TutorialFPI/PROF/tutorialFPI.html
- https://github.com/nasa/NASTRAN-95
- https://github.com/mid2SUPAERO/aerostructures

In consequence, we need to analyze BOTH disciplines at the SAME TIME (MDAO)



Minimize D, or Mass, or a combination of D and Mass
w.r.t. shape, α, thicknesses
Subject to:

$$L = W$$

$$\sigma \leq \sigma_y$$

In practice, how do we solve that problem?

One possible approach: MultiDisciplinary Feasible (MDF, probably the most intuitive one…)

Steps:

1. Start from a set of particular design variables: shape, α, thicknesses
2. Solve the complete system (with all the interactions) for these values
3. Evaluate objective function and constraints
4. From these values, the optimizer proposes a new set of design variables.

These steps are repeated until the optimum is reached.

Next: MDO …The big picture

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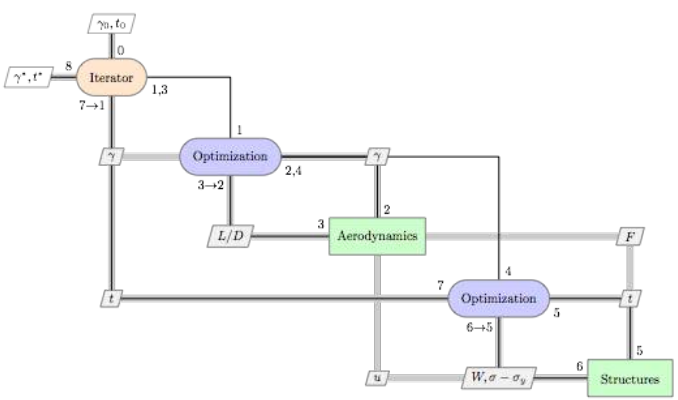
MDO optimizes all variables simultaneously, accounting for all the couplings

Sequential optimization



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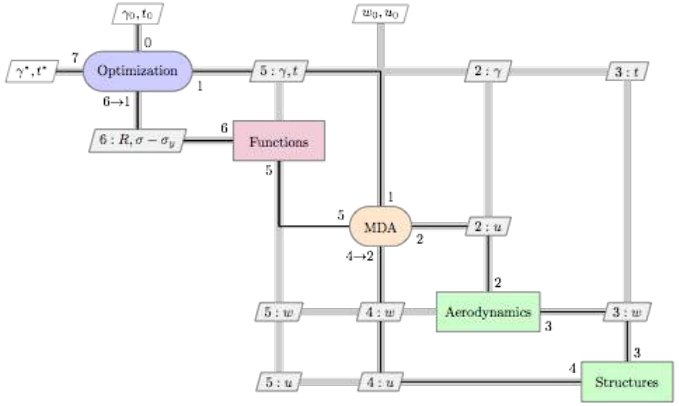

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Sequential optimization fails to find the multidisciplinary optimum

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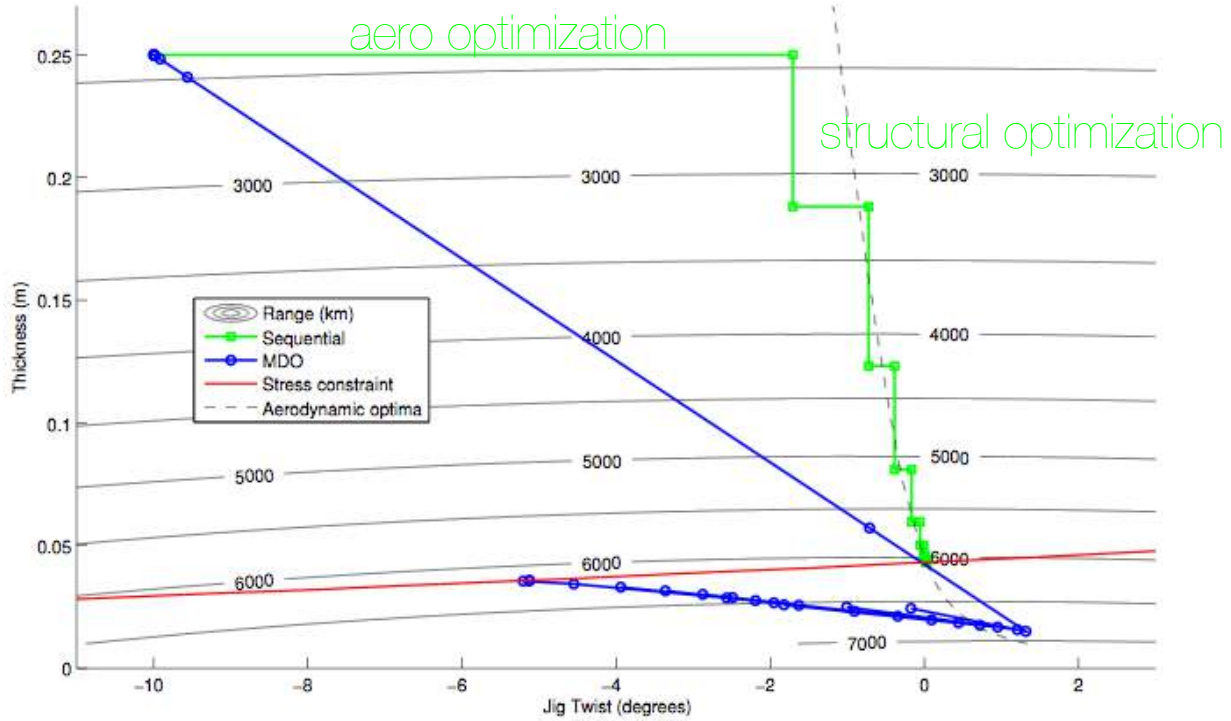
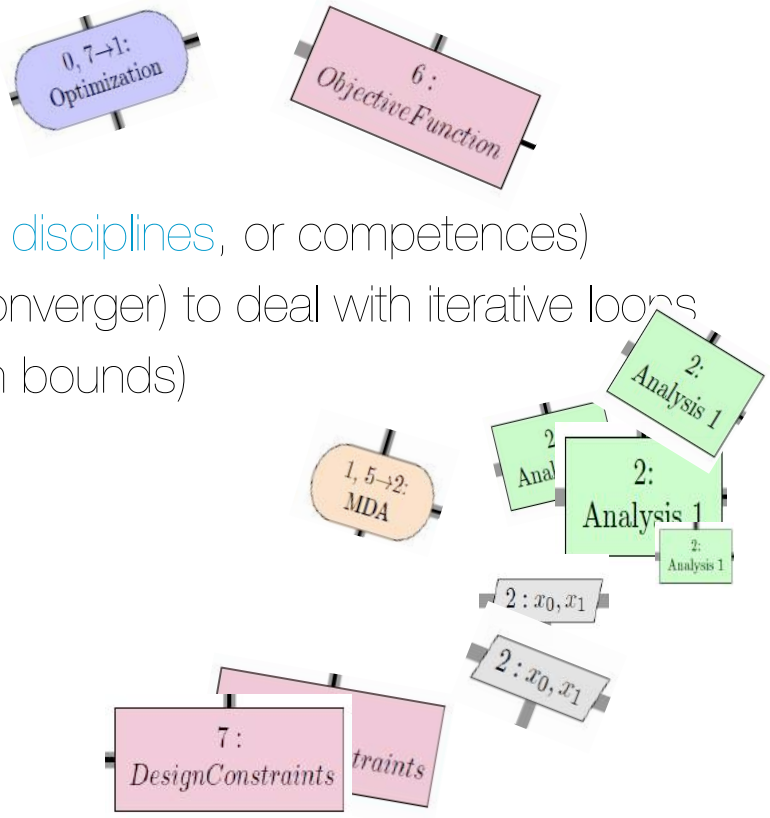


Assembling MDO systems

In order to assemble an MDO "architecture" we need a number of components:

- One (or more) optimizers
- One (or more) objectives
- A number of disciplinary tools (or disciplines, or competences)
- Possibly some coordinator (or converger) to deal with iterative loops
- A bunch of design variables (with bounds)
- Some constraint specification



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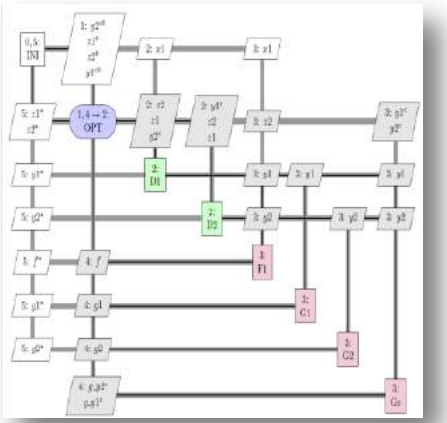
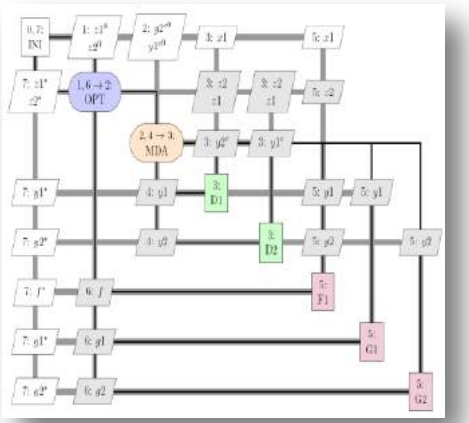
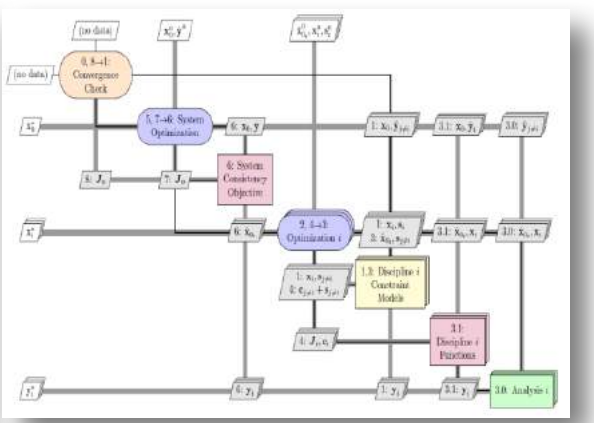
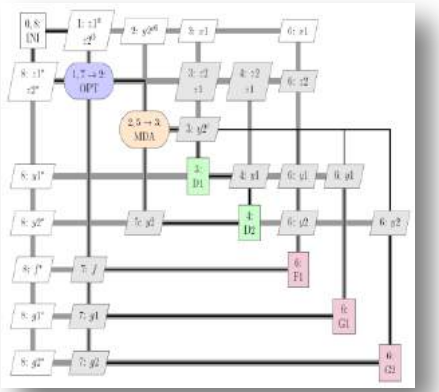
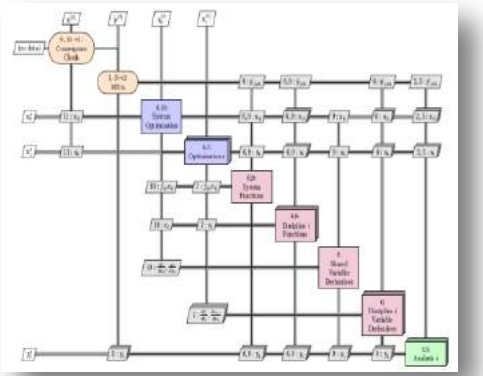
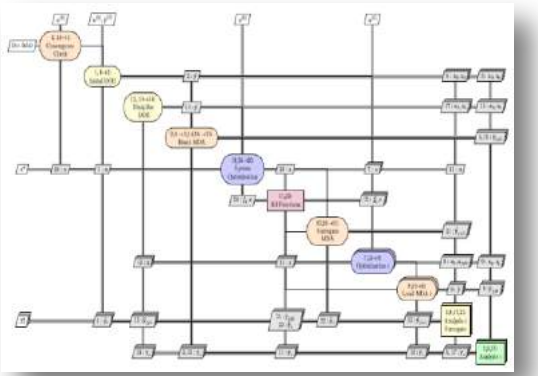












- MDF Multidisciplinary Feasible approach—a complete analysis is performed at every optimization iteration. Also known as the All-in-One approach.
- IDF Individual Disciplinary Feasible approach—system analysis is performed simultaneously with system optimization.
- AAO All-at-Once approach—system analysis, optimization, and determination of state variables performed simultaneously. Useful for systems involving differential equations.
- ATC Analytical Target Cascading—each system element has its own optimizer. 'Parent' design problems coordinate the design of 'child' design problems. Useful for systems with a hierarchical structure.

Illustrative example: the Sellar problem

2 disciplines involved

Variables: x_1, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2

We'll see later what are the differences between these variables ...

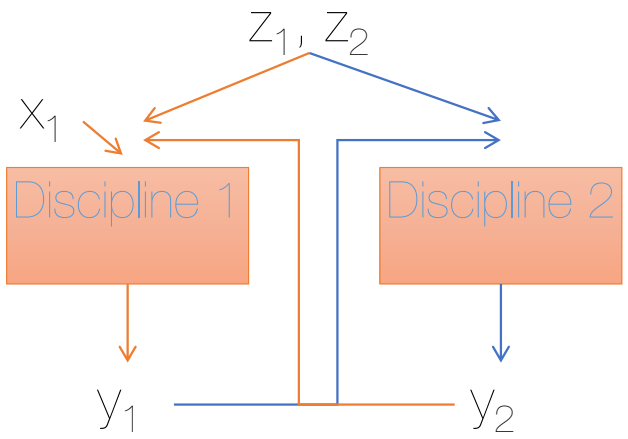
$$\begin{gathered}\text{minimize } x_1^2 + z_2 + y_1 + \exp(-y_2) \\ \text{with respect to } z, x \text{ or } (z_1,\ z_2,\ x_1) \\ \text{subject to :} \\ 3.16 - y_1 \leqslant 0 \\ y_2 - 24 \leqslant 0 \\ -10 \leqslant z_1 \leqslant 10 \\ 0 \leqslant z_2 \leqslant 10 \\ 0 \leqslant x_1 \leqslant 10\end{gathered}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Discipline 1} &: y_1(z_1, z_2, x_1, y_2) = z_1^2 + x_1 + z_2 - 0.2y_2 \\ \text{Discipline 2} &: y_2(z_1, z_2, y_2) = \sqrt{y_1} + z_1 + z_2\end{aligned}$$

Sellar, R. S., Batill, S. M., and Renaud, J. E., "Response Surface Based, Concurrent Subspace Optimization for Multidisciplinary System Design", 34th Aerospace Sciences Meeting and Exhibit, Aerospace Sciences Meetings, 1996.

Illustrative example: the Sellar problem

- Design variables: z_1, z_2, x_1 to minimize the objective
- Shared (or global) variables: z_1, z_2
- Local variable: x_1
- Coupling variables: y_1, y_2



$$\text{minimize } x_1^2 + z_2 + y1 + e^{-y_2}$$
$$\text{with respect to } z_1, z_2, x_1$$

subject to:

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$$1 - \frac{y_2}{24} \geq 0$$
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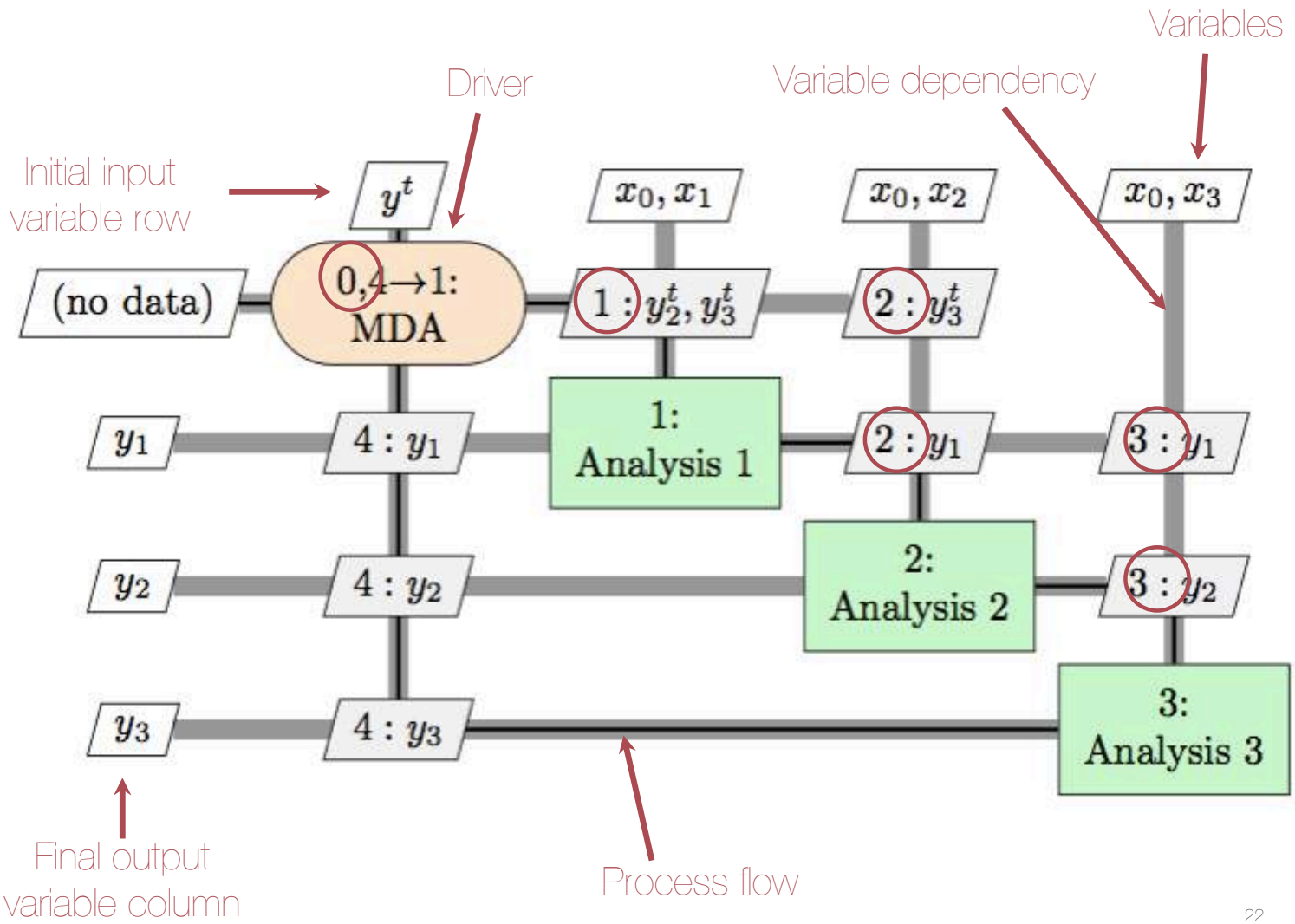
Multidisciplinary analysis (MDA) consists in solution of the following equations

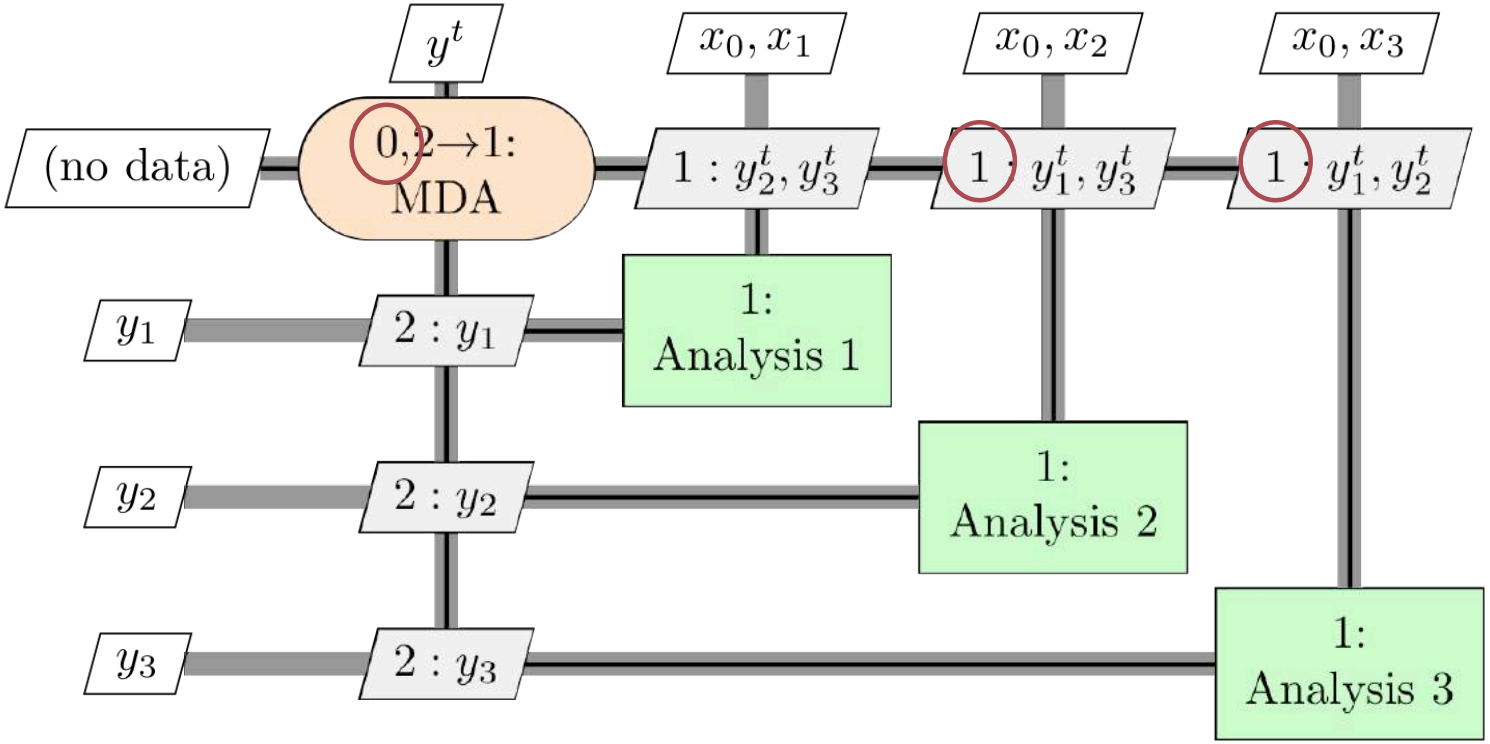
$R_1 = 0$ ➔ y_1 and y_2 solutions

$R_2 = 0$

A Gauss–Seidel Multidisciplinary Analysis Example



A Jacobi Multidisciplinary Analysis Example



openMDAO

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- Originally developed by team at NASA Glenn
- Python-based, open source framework for coupling multiple models and optimization
- Facilitates collaboration between industry, academia, and government
- Provides a common platform for the development of new multidisciplinary analysis and design methods

System is the base class in OpenMDAO

- System: base class for Component and Group classes. Represents a system of equations with variables:
  - params: input variables
  - unknowns: variables that are solved for. Can be explicitly defined (outputs) or implicitly defined (states)
  - resids: define the states implicitly
- The main System member functions are
  - solve_nonlinear: computes the unknowns for a give set of params.
  - apply_nonlinear: computes the residual values for a given state value

Component is lowest level class

- Component is a System (i.e., inherits from it) and it is the only class allowed to create params, states, outputs, and resids.

```
class MyComp(Component):
    def __init__(self):
        super(MyComp, self).__init__()
        self.add_param('x', val=0.)
        self.add_output('y', shape=1)
        self.add_state('z', val=[0., 1.])
```

```
def solve_nonlinear(self, params, unknowns, resids):
    unknowns['y'] = params['x']**2 + 2
```

Group is used to create hierarchy

- Group is also a System and it can contain Component instances or other Group instances.

```
c1 = MyComp()
c2 = MyComp()
c3 = MyComp()

g1 = Group()
g1.add('comp1', c1)
g1.add('comp2', c2)

g2 = Group()
g2.add('comp3', c3)
g2.add('sub_group_1', g1)
```

Problem contains and runs the system

```
class MultiplyByTwoComponent(Component):
    def __init__(self):
        super(MultiplyByTwoComponent, self).__init__() # always call the base class constructor first
        self.add_param('x_input', val=0.) # the input that will be multiplied by 2
        self.add_output('y_output', shape=1) # shape=1 => a one dimensional array of length 1 (a scalar)

        # an internal variable that counts the number of times this component was executed
        self.counter = 0

    def solve_nonlinear(self, params, unknowns, resids):
        unknowns['y_output'] = params['x_input']*2
        self.counter += 1

root = Group()
root.add('indep_var', IndepVarComp('x', 7.0))
root.add('my_comp', MultiplyByTwoComponent())
root.connect('indep_var.x', 'my_comp.x_input')

prob = Problem(root)
prob.setup()
prob.run()

result = prob['my_comp.y_output']
count = prob.root.my_comp.counter
print(result)
print(count)
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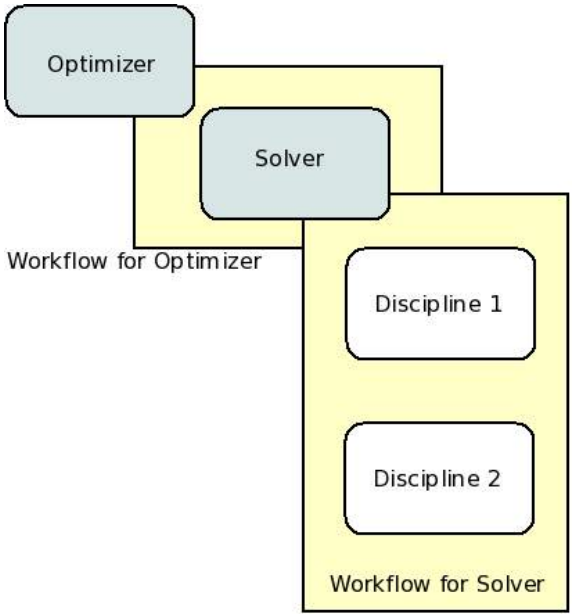
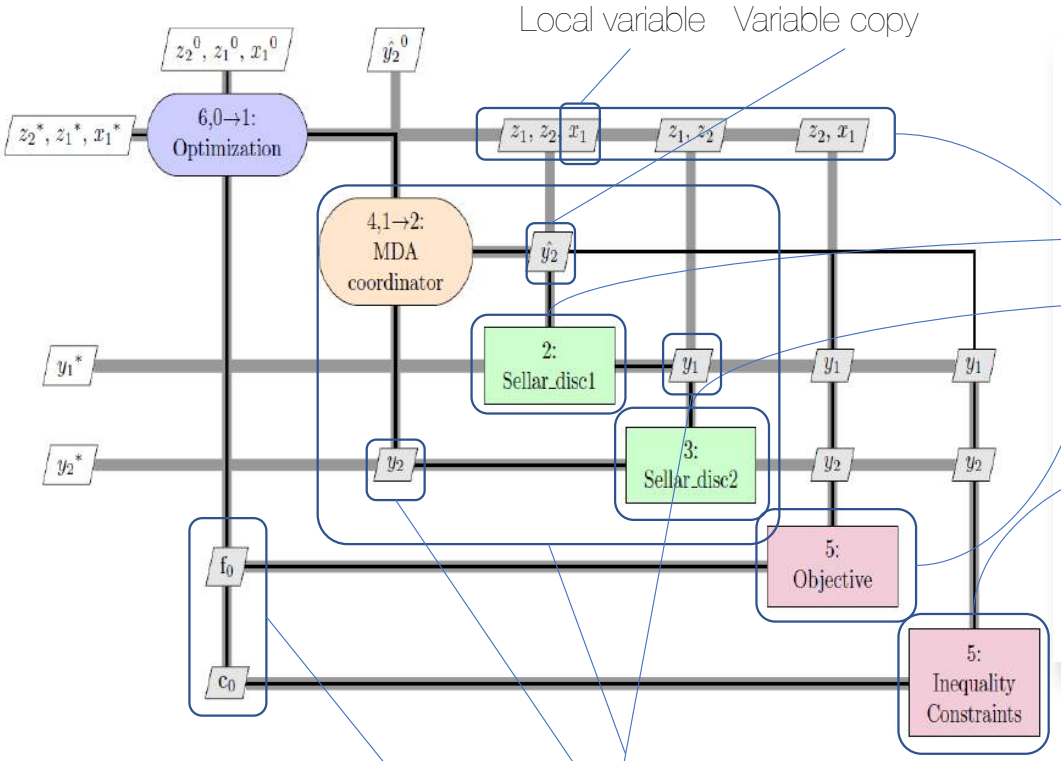
Multidisciplinary Feasible (MDF)

- The MDF architecture is the most intuitive for engineers
- The optimization problem formulation is identical to the single discipline case, except the disciplinary analysis is replaced by an MDA

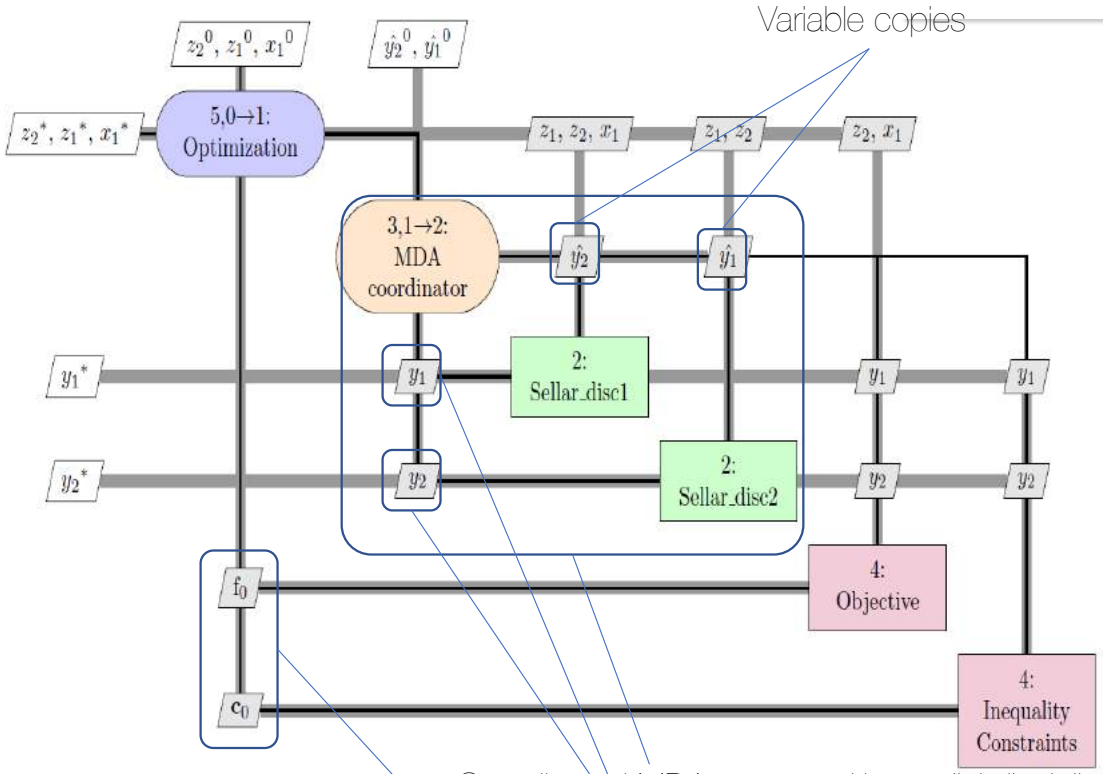


MDF illustration on the Sellar problem:
MDF – Gauss-Seidel variant



Coordinated MDA system with sequential discipline execution
Objective and constraints are sent to optimizer
only after MDA coordinator has converged ($y_2 = \hat{y}_2$)
Coupling variables

MDF illustration on the Sellar problem:
MDF - Jacobi variant



minimize:

$$f = x_1^2 + z_2 + y_1 + e^{-y_2}$$

where:

$$y_1 = z_1^2 + x_1 + z_2 - 0.2y_2$$

$$y_2 = \sqrt{y_1} + z_1 + z_2$$

subject to:

$$\frac{y_1}{3.16} - 1 \geq 0$$

$$1 - \frac{y_2}{24} \geq 0$$

with respect to:

$$z_1, z_2, x_1$$

Sellar problem

Coordinated MDA system with parallel discipline execution

Objective and constraints are sent to optimizer only after MDA coordinator has converged (y_1=^y_1 and y_2=^y_2)

Coupling variables

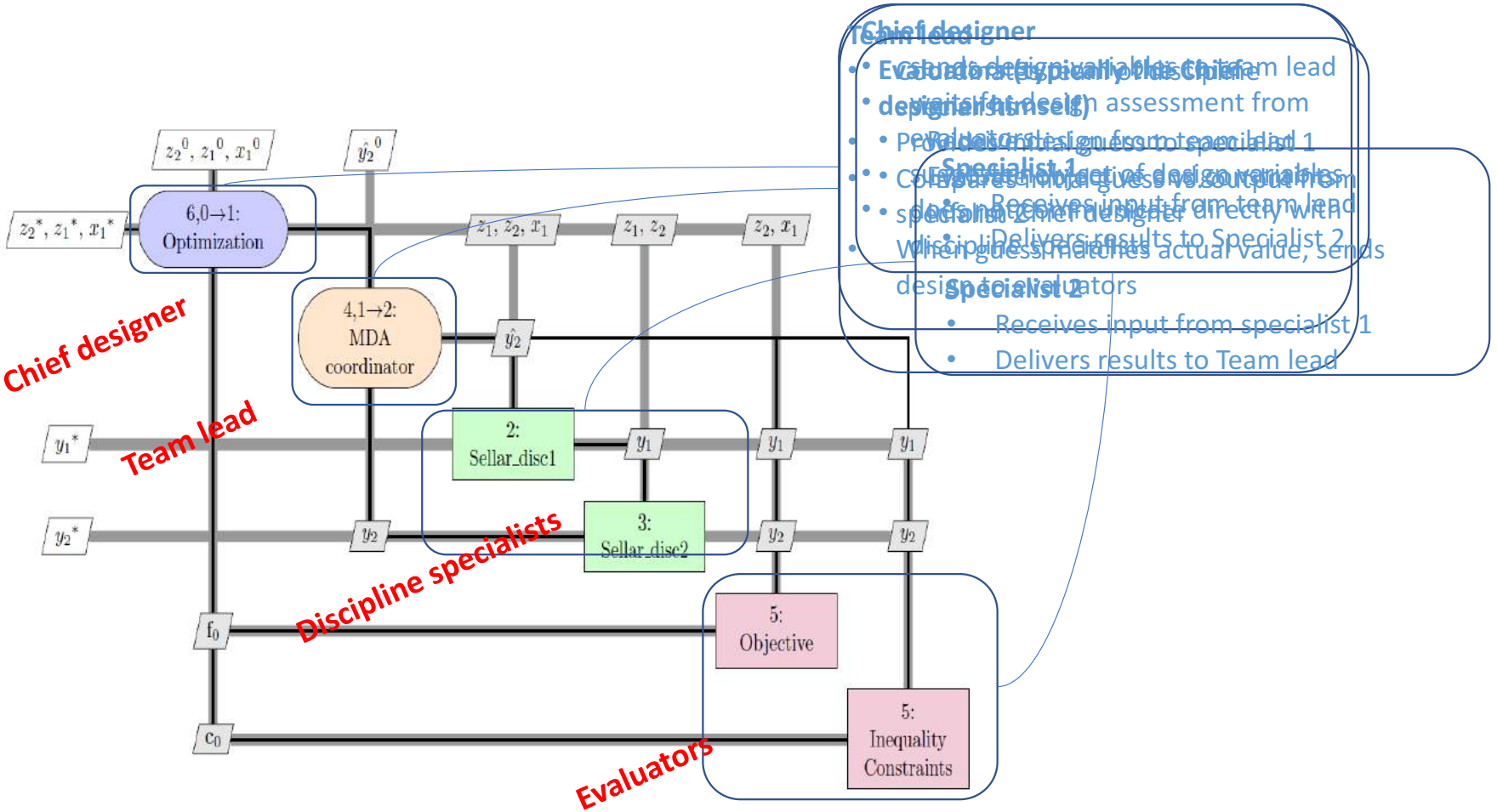
Multidisciplinary Feasible (MDF)

- Advantages:
  - Intuitive procedure/no specialized knowledge required → Easy to incorporate existing models
  - Always return **a system design that satisfies the consistency constraints**, even if the optimization process is terminated early – good from a pratical engineering point of view
  - Optimization problem with the minimum number of design variables and constraints to handle

- Disadvantages:
  - Intermediate results do not necessarely satisfy the optimization constraints
  - Cannot be parallelized
  - Developing **the MDA procedure might be time consuming**, if not already available

Gradients of the coupled system more challenging to compute

MDO architectures to mimic different design processes in the company (MDF)



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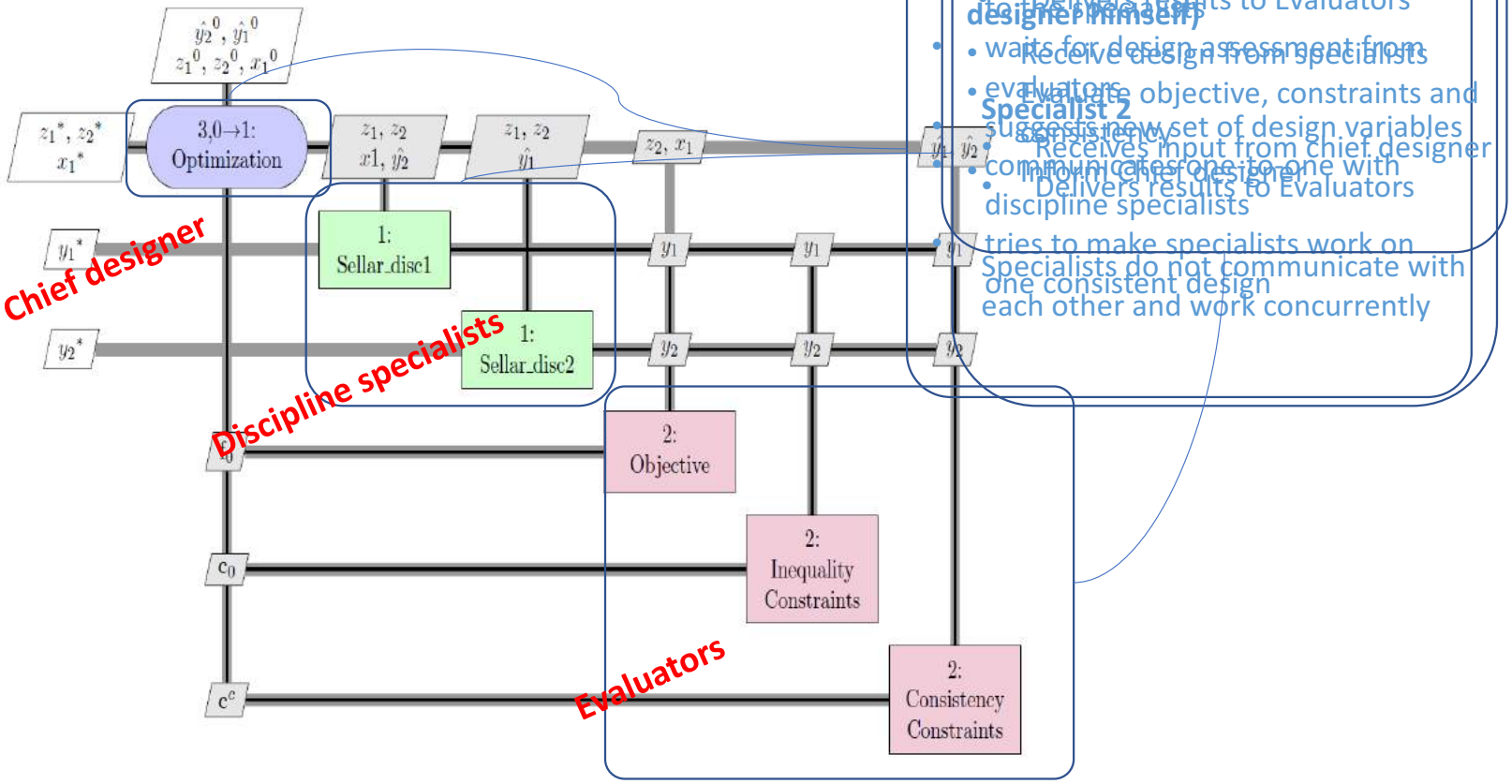
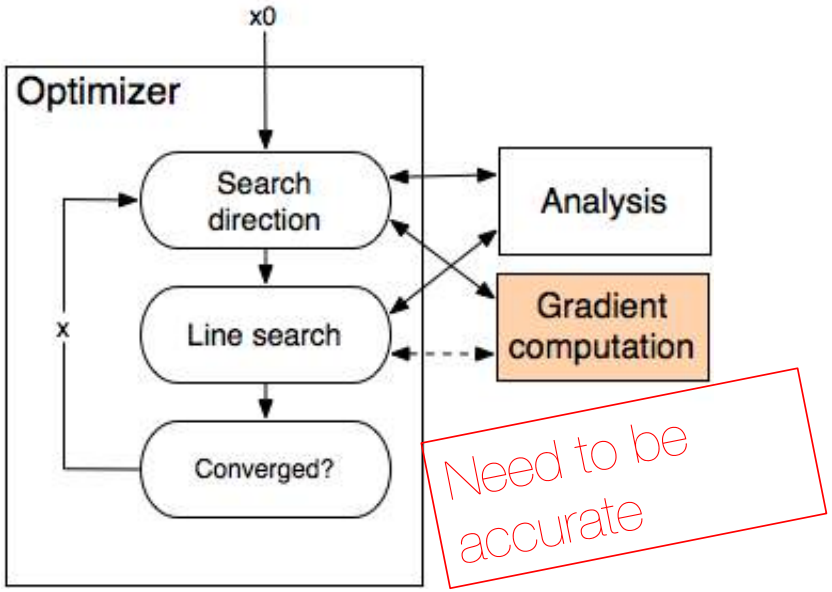


Optimizer solver

- Requirements
- Problem to solve $\begin{cases} \min f(x) \\ wrt\ x \in R^d \\ st\ g_i(x) \leq 0 \text{ for } i = 1, \dots m \end{cases}$



- Derivative free Optimizer
- Evolutionnary Algorithm,
- **Surrogate based Optimizer**
- …
- Gradient based Optimizer
- Computation of the derivatives of $f(x)$ and $g_i(x)$ to iterate and satisfy the KKT optimality conditions

➔ Focus : computation of sensitivities (adjoint vs direct) $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i}, \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_i}$

SURROGATE MODELING (learning for Optimizing)

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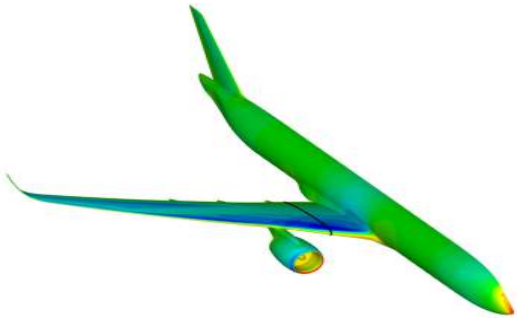
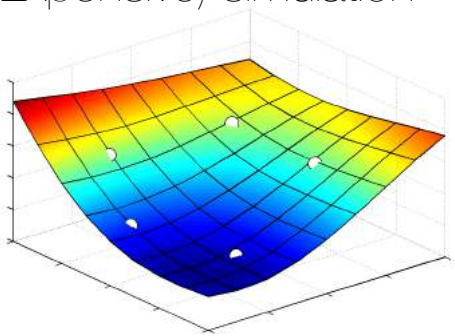
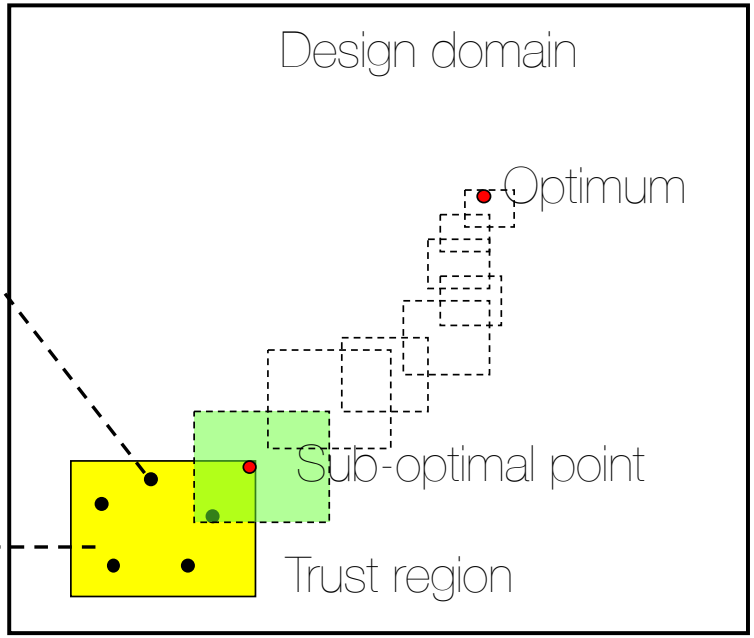


(Expensive) simulation



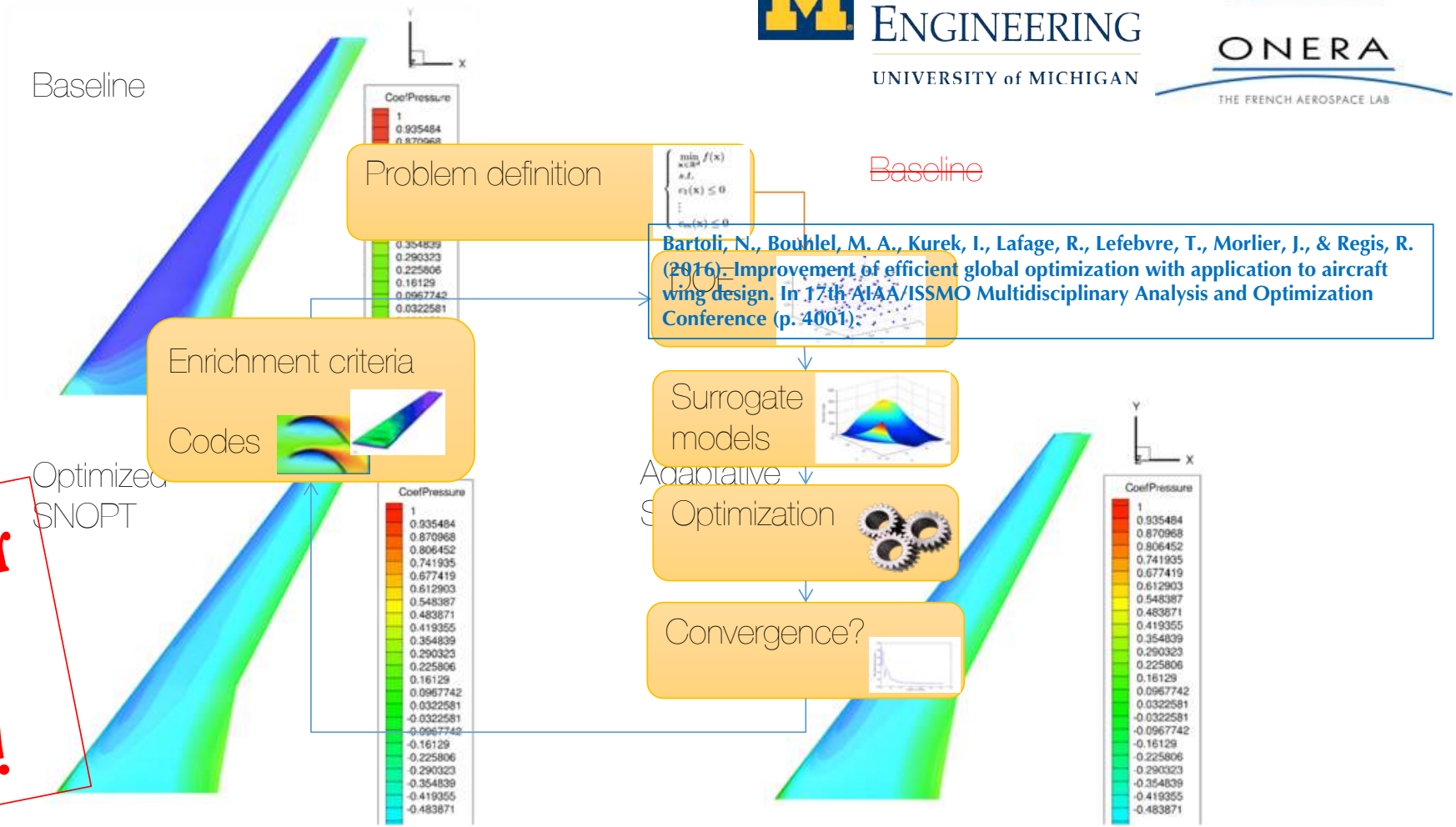
Response surfaces

Or metamodels, surrogate models etc…



But Why?

SBO

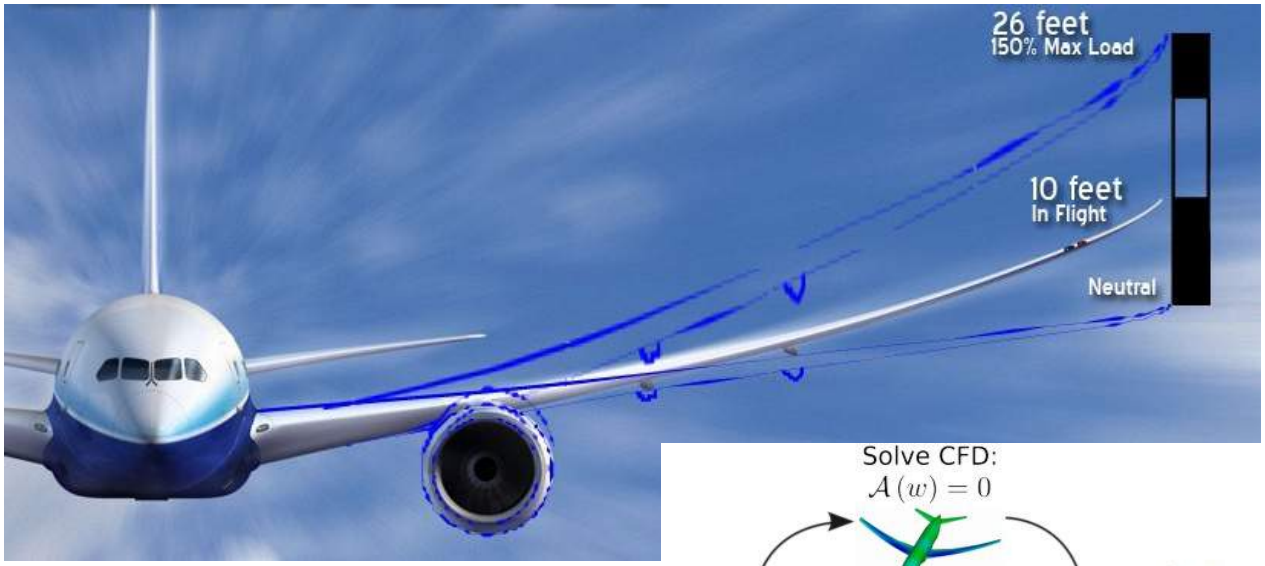


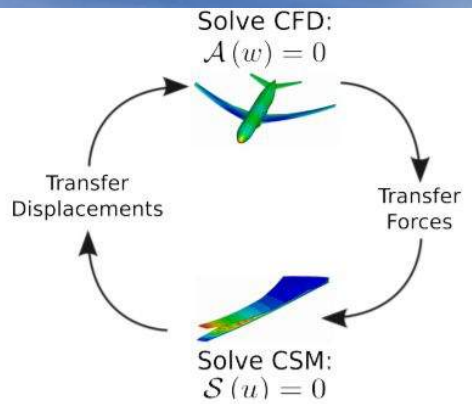
Use SMT for surrogate modeling !

1. MDA
2. MDO

3. Codesign?

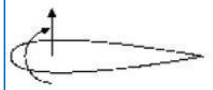
The importance of aerostructural coupling





$\mathcal{A}$: Aerodynamic residuals
w: Aerodynamic states
$\mathcal{S}$: Structural residuals
u: Structural states

+ control law*:


Lift and Moment
Due to Wing

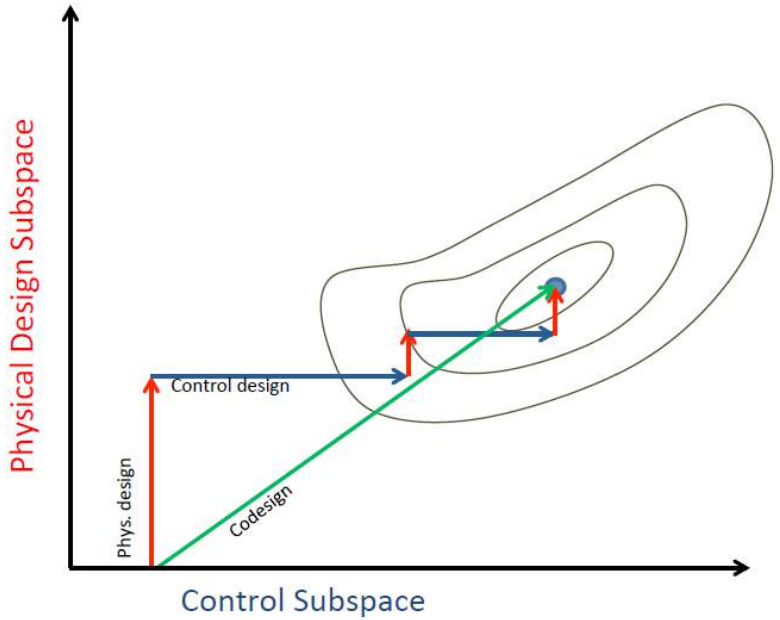

Lift and Moment
Due to Control Surface

*J. R. Wright, J. E. Cooper. Introduction to Aircraft Aeroelasticity and Loads. 2007.

Co-Design:
Integrated Physical and Control System Design *

Navigate in physical and control design subspaces simultaneously.

↪ Tailor structural/mechanical/control system designs: system optimality

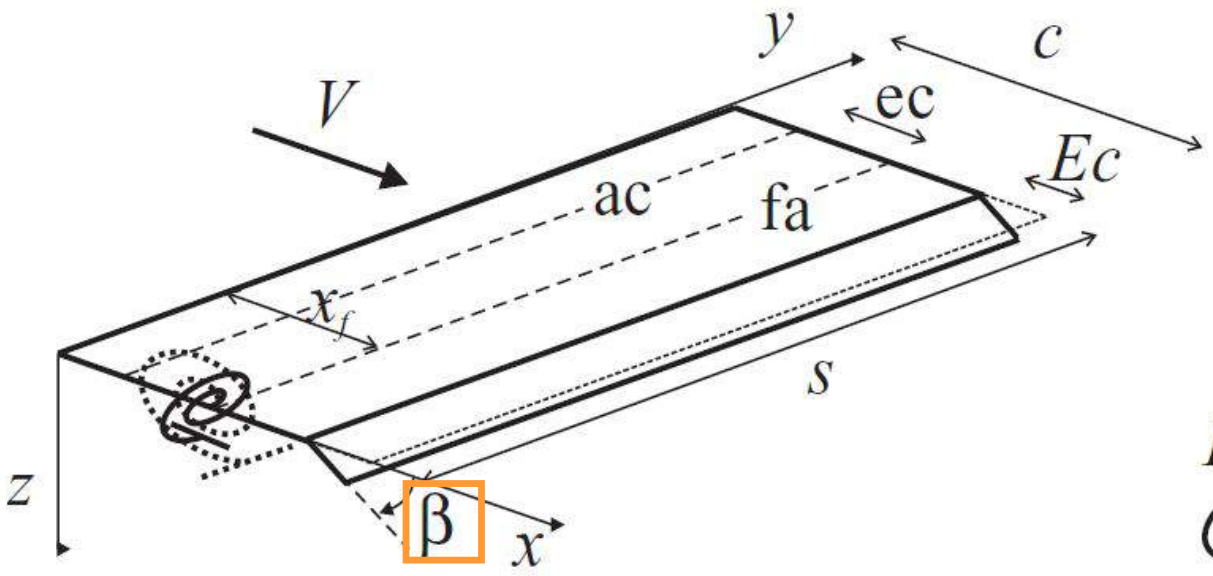


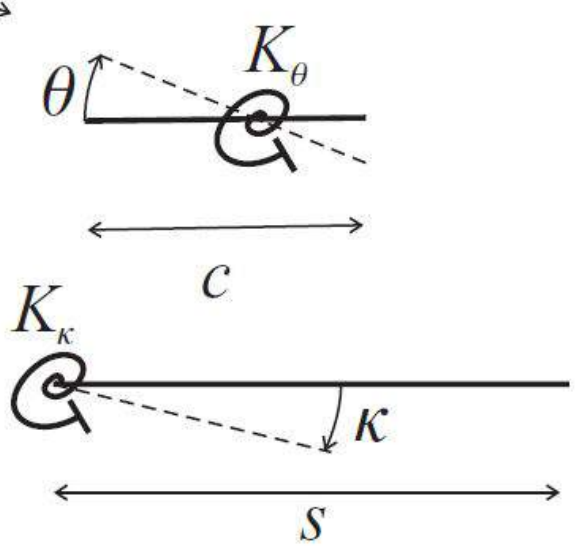
Deshmukh, A. P., & Allison, J. T. (2016). Multidisciplinary dynamic optimization of horizontal axis wind turbine design. Structural and Multidisciplinary Optimization, 53(1), 15-27.

A toy model*

(G. Fillipi MsC)

Degrees of freedom:
pitch θ and flap κ





control surface angle

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State space modelling

soved with Direct Transcription Method

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_k & I_{k\vartheta} \\ I_{k\vartheta} & I_\vartheta \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{k} \\ \ddot{\vartheta} \end{Bmatrix} + \rho V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{cs^3 a_w}{6} & 0 \\ -\frac{c^2 s^2 e a_w}{4} & -\frac{c^3 s}{8} M_\vartheta \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{k} \\ \dot{\vartheta} \end{Bmatrix} + \left(\rho V^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{cs^2 a_w}{4} \\ 0 & -\frac{c^2 s e a_w}{2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} K_k & 0 \\ 0 & K_\vartheta \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{Bmatrix} K \\ \vartheta \end{Bmatrix} = \rho V^2 cs \begin{Bmatrix} -\frac{s a_c}{4} \\ \frac{c b_c}{2} \end{Bmatrix} \beta + \rho V cs \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{s}{4} \\ \frac{c}{2} \end{Bmatrix} w_g$$

structural inertia	aerodynamic damping	aerodynamic stiffness	structural stiffness	control surface angle	gust term

$$A\ddot{q} + \rho V B\dot{q} + (\rho V^2 C + E)q = g\beta + hw_g$$

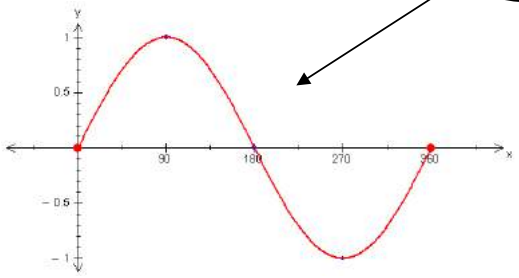
Objective function (multiObj → monoObj)

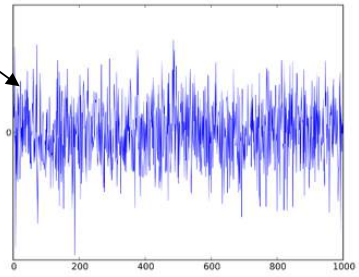
r_i

handling + comfort + control cost

$$J = \int_0^{t_F} \left(r_1 z^2 + r_2 \ddot{z}^2 + r_3 u^2 \right) dt$$

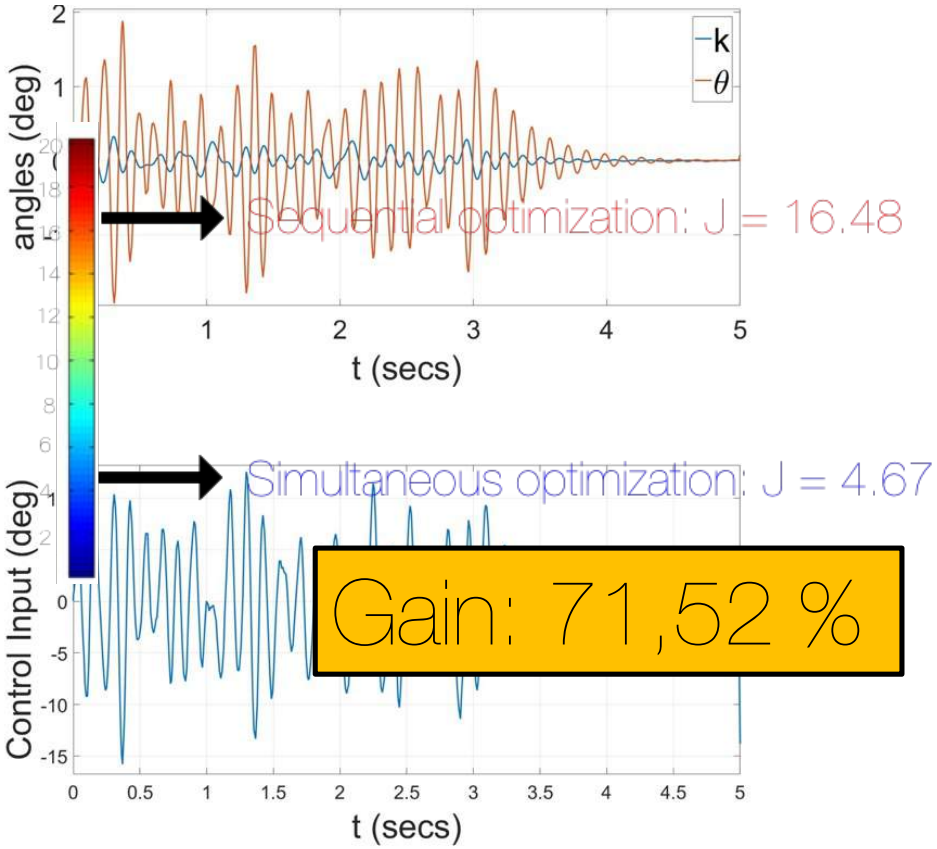
$$J_{\text{tot}} = J_{gust} + J_{turb}$$





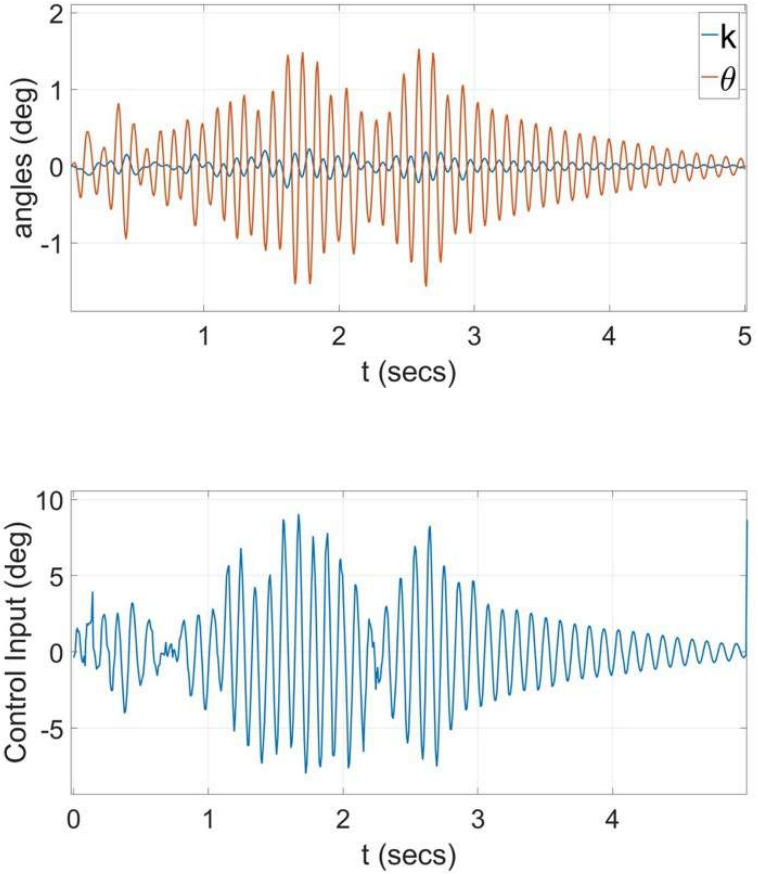
System response (Gust+Random)

Response to Random turbulence



sequential

Response to Random turbulence



vs simultaneous optimization

Conclusion

- In general, disciplines are not isolated in real world applications → coupled systems

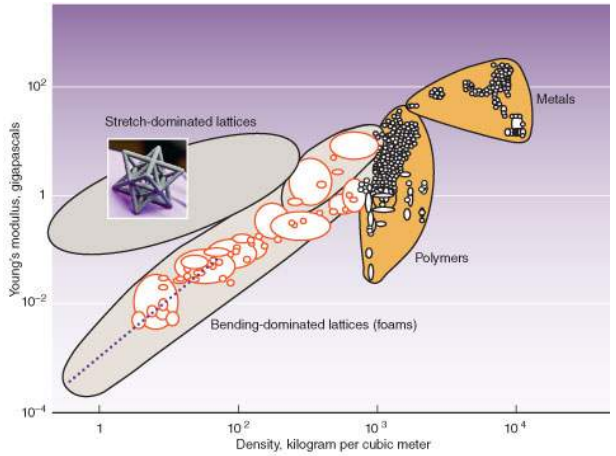
- Optimizing each discipline separately can lead to underperforming results, as we are missing the interactions that will take place in the « real » operating conditions

- We can use the MultiDisciplinary Feasible approach to optimize the complete problem simply using openMDAO for example

- In the MDF, we solve the complete system for every set of variables proposed by the optimizer → One problem, One optimizer (to be tuned)

Next we move on Material Design Optimization with Edouard & Miguel

"By controlling the architecture of a microstructure, we can create materials with previously unobtainable properties in the bulk form."



OpenSource tools

KADMOS => https://bitbucket.org/imcovangent/kadmos

CMDOWS => http://cmdows-repo.agile-project.eu
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RCE => http://rcenvironment.de/

openMDAO => http://openmdao.org/

VISTOMS => https://www.agile-project.eu/files/VISTOMS_SellarProblem
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AIRCRAFT 3RD GENERATION MDO
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THE 2 LAST SLIDES are linked with my next talk

MDO course

https://github.com/mid2SUPAERO

Prof J. Morlier's group

- NB: Since 2013 new course at SUPAERO : MDO [Structural&Multidisciplinary Design Optimization, 2*30H] (MsC level] with ONERA/AIRBUS

- Since 2017 we offer some fund to students to do research with us in order to be « PhD ready ». Part of this presentation has been made by SUPAERO MsC Students:

Mostafa Meliani (KTH), Mahfoud Herraz (ICA) already started a PhD

Please Visit :
https://github.com/SMTorg/SMT
https://github.com/mid2SUPAERO for student's project

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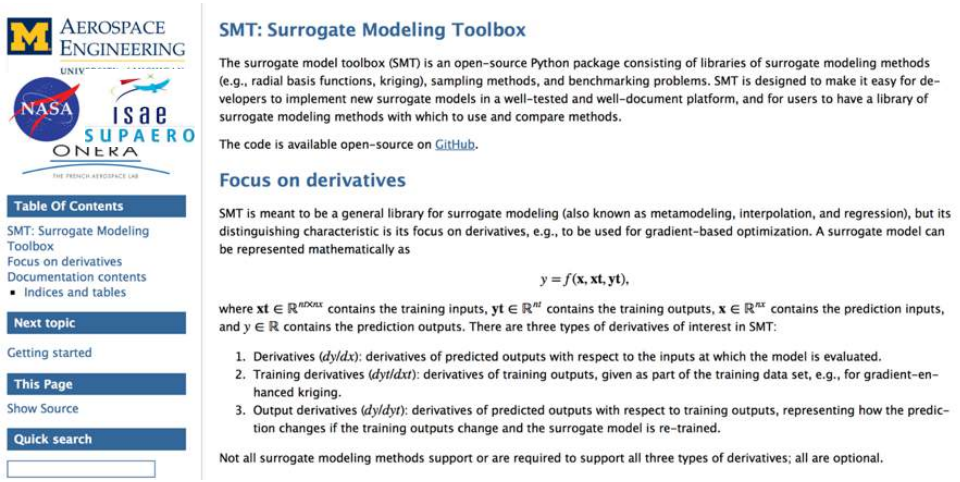
Surrogate modeling in HD, focus on derivatives



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