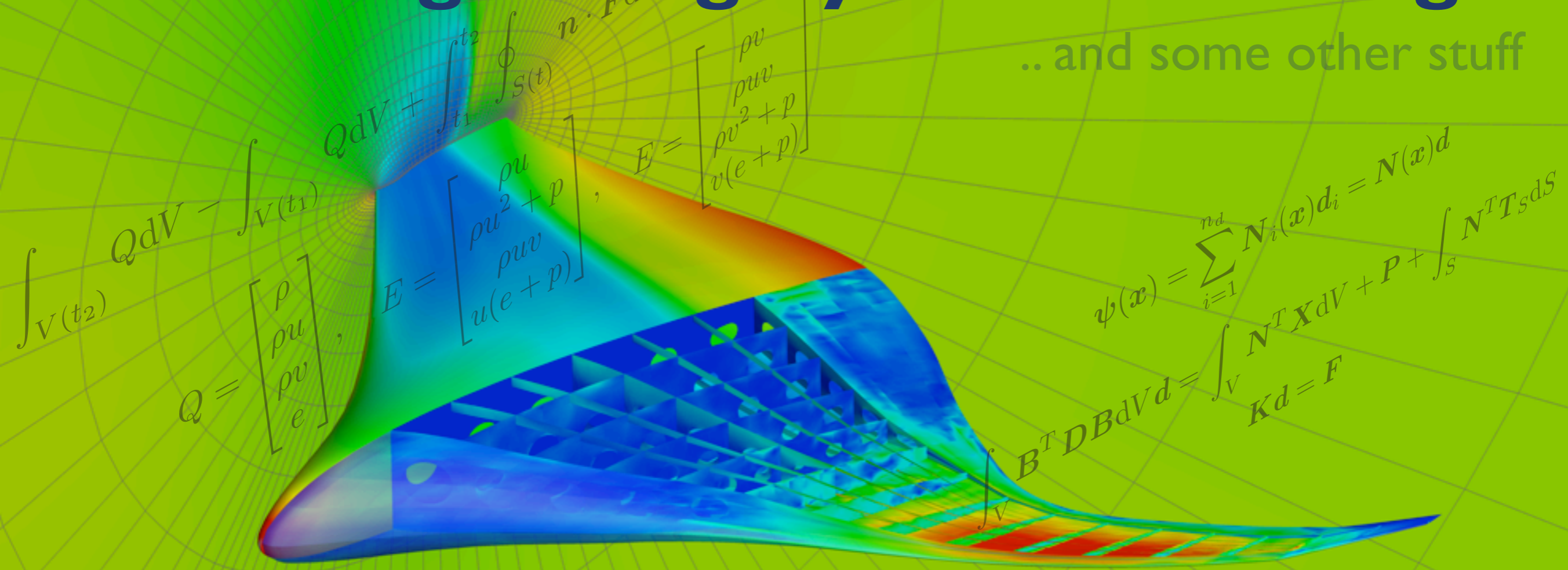


High-Fidelity Optimal Aeroelastic Tailoring of Highly Flexible Wings

.. and some other stuff



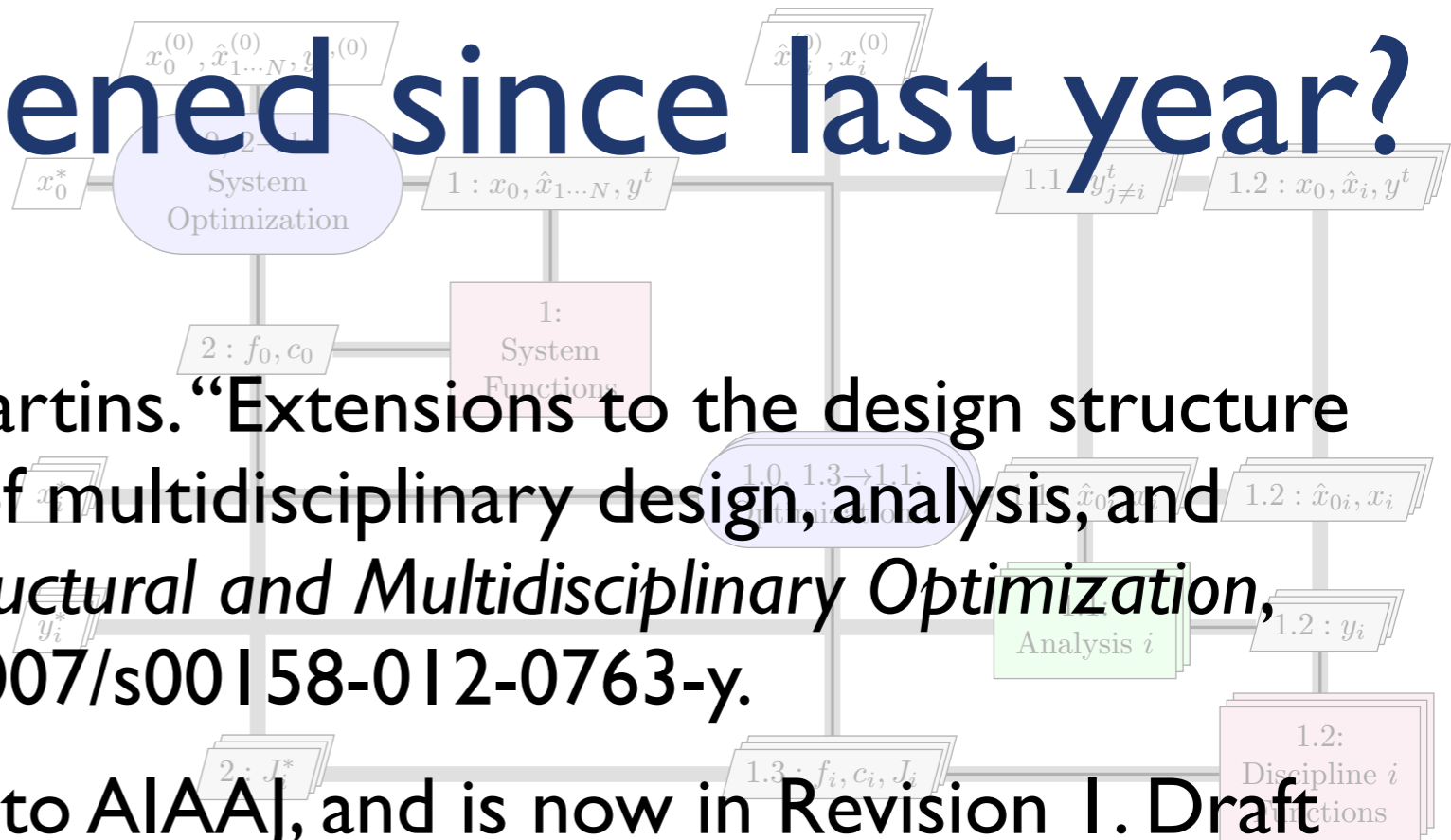
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What has happened since last year?

- XDSM paper has appeared:

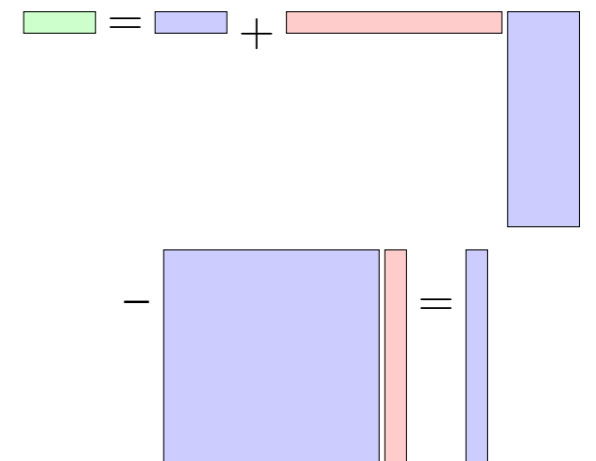
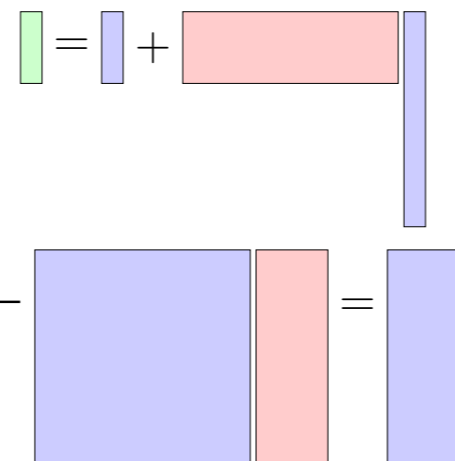
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- MDO survey was submitted to AIAAJ, and is now in Revision I. Draft available at: <http://mdolab.engin.umich.edu/publications>
- New paper on computing derivatives for coupled systems; presented at the AIAA SDM
- New aerostructural design optimization results
- New CAD-free geometry engine in development



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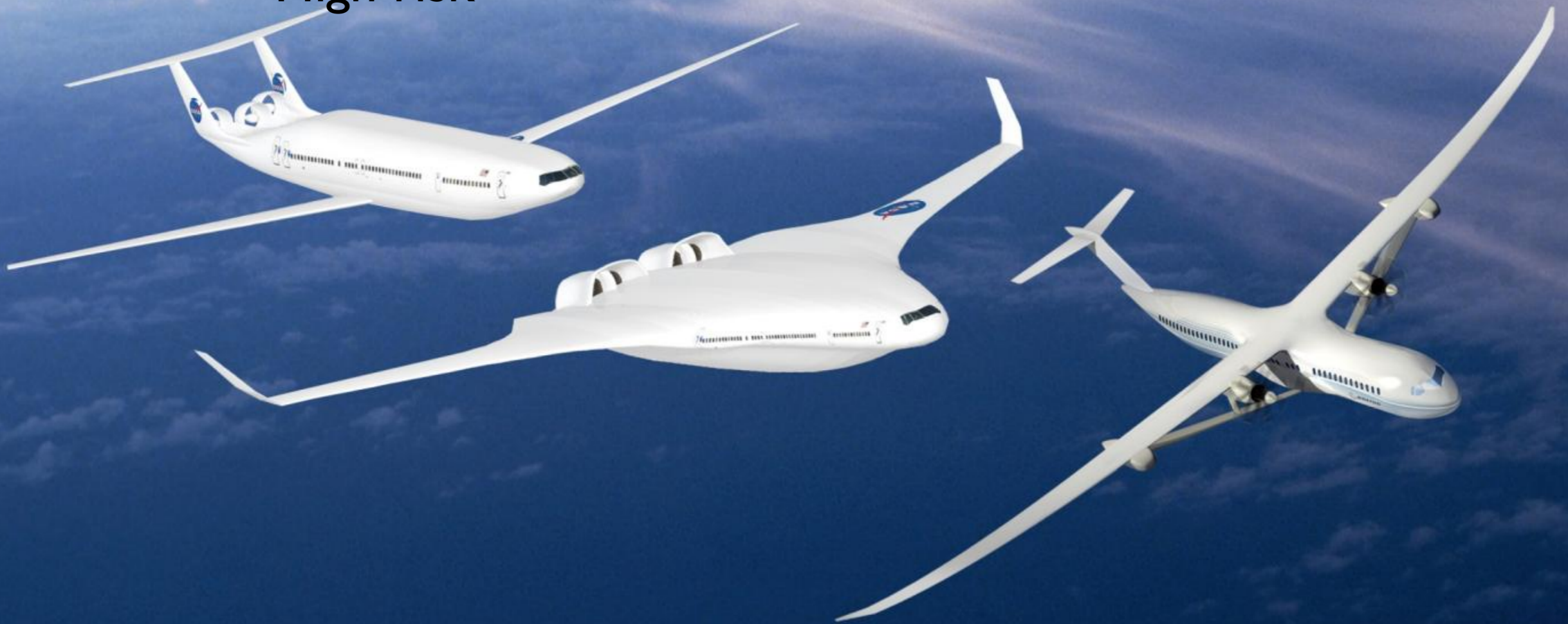
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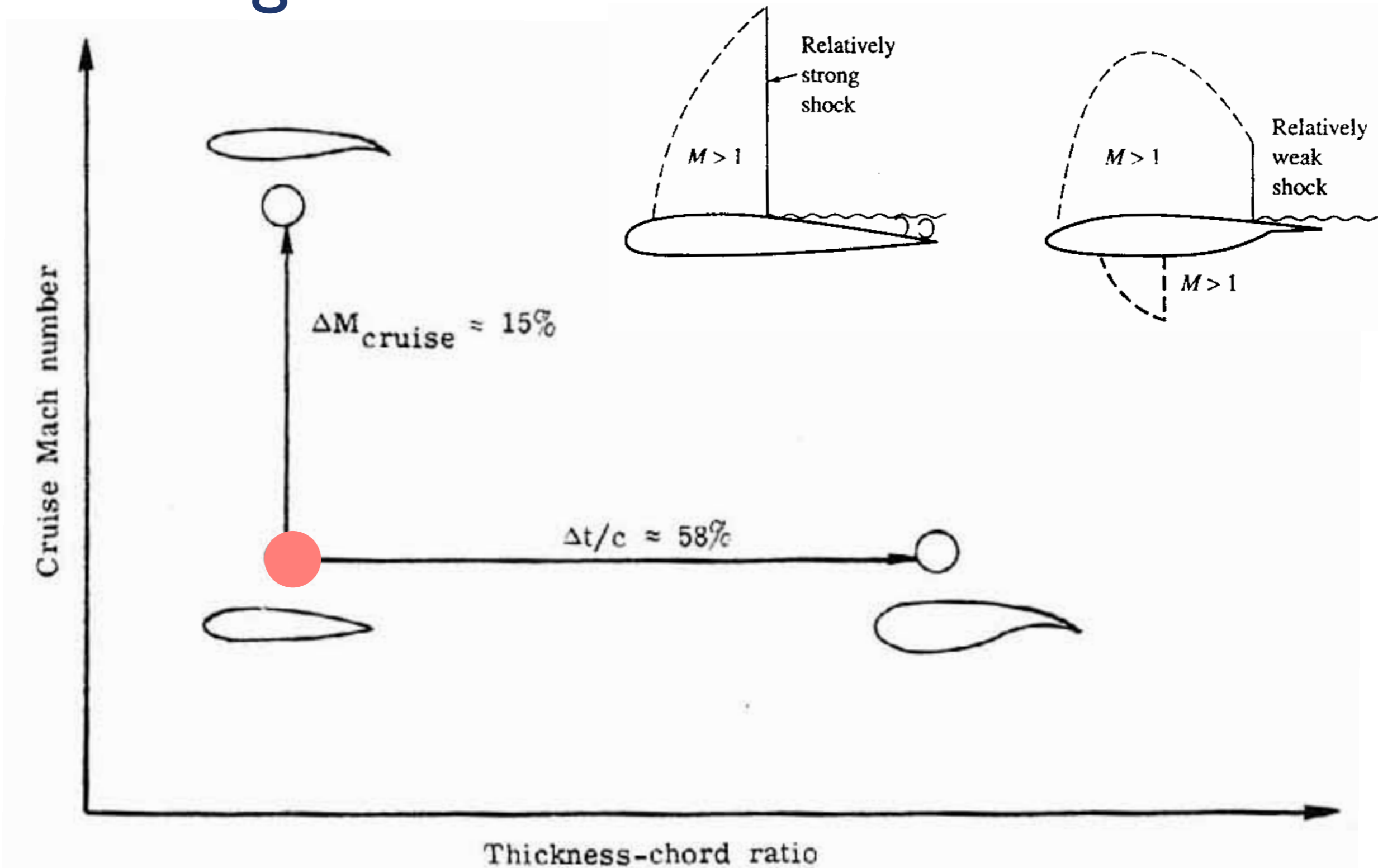
What
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The next generation of aircraft demands even more of the design process

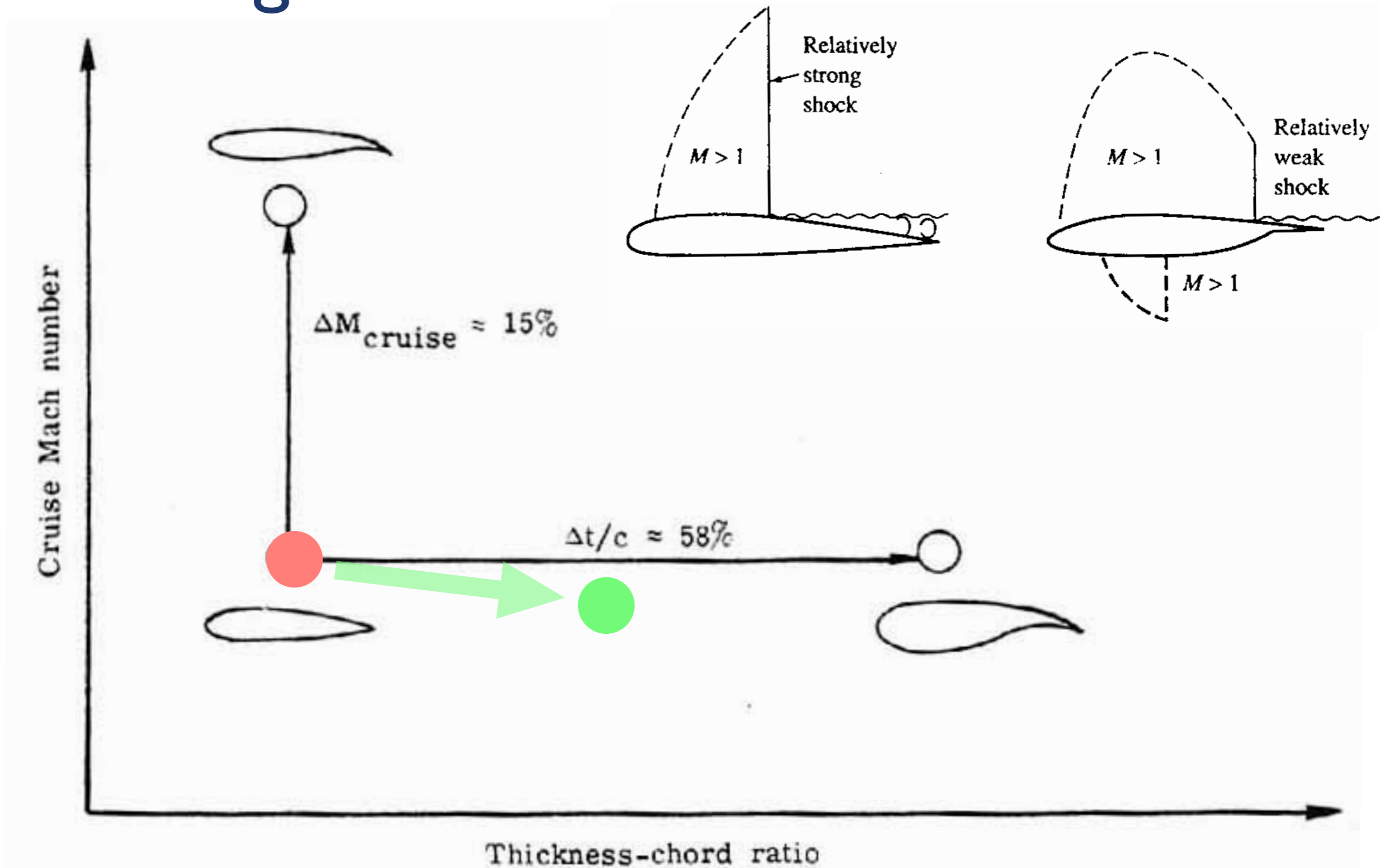
- Highly-flexible high aspect ratio wings
- Unknown design space and interdisciplinary trade-offs
- High risk



Why you should not trust an aerodynamicist (even a brilliant one) to make design decisions

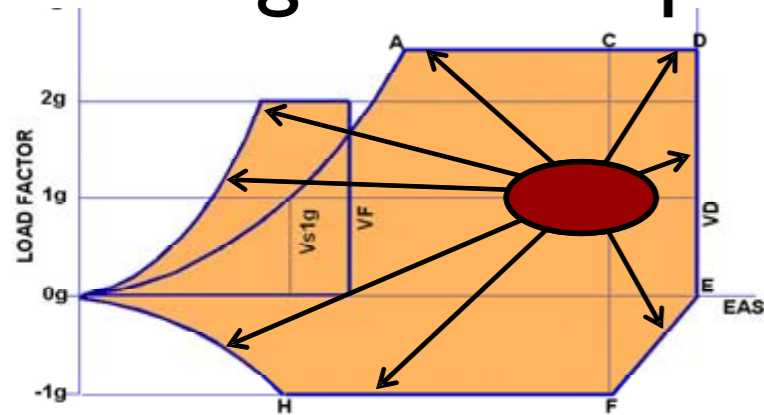


Why you should not trust an aerodynamicist (even a brilliant one) to make design decisions



Next generation MDO will be computationally demanding...

Full flight envelope



Configurations

clean



airbrakes deployed



high lift

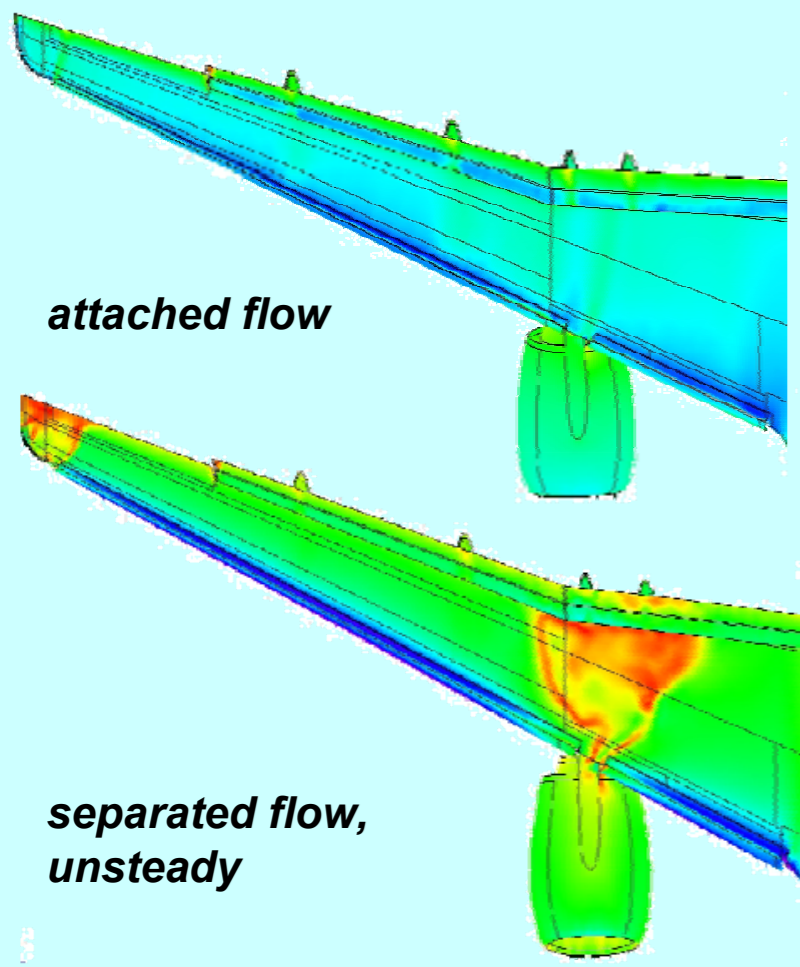


50 flight points
100 mass cases
10 configurations
5 maneuvers
20 gusts
4 control laws

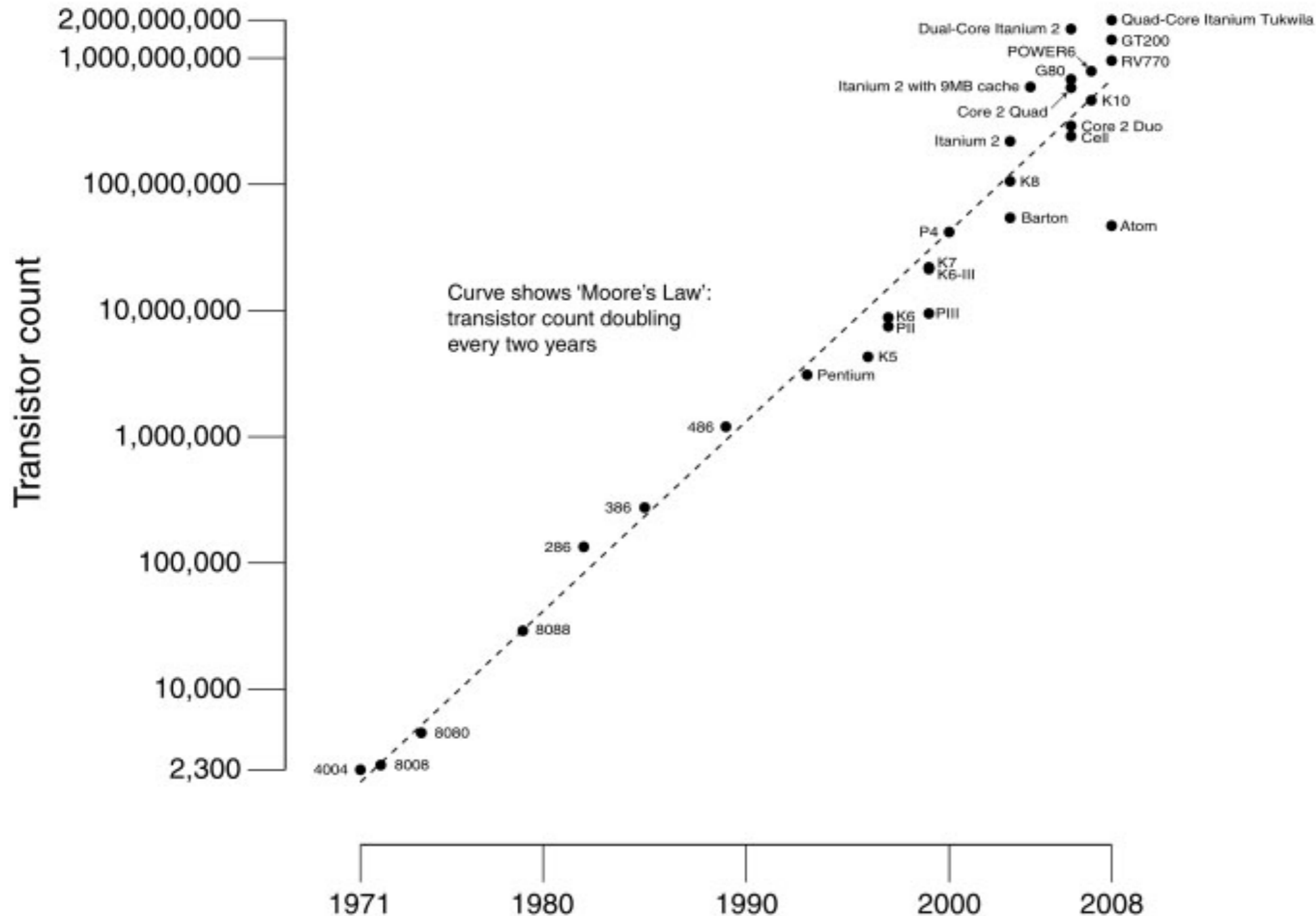
20 million analyses

Use engineering experience from conventional designs

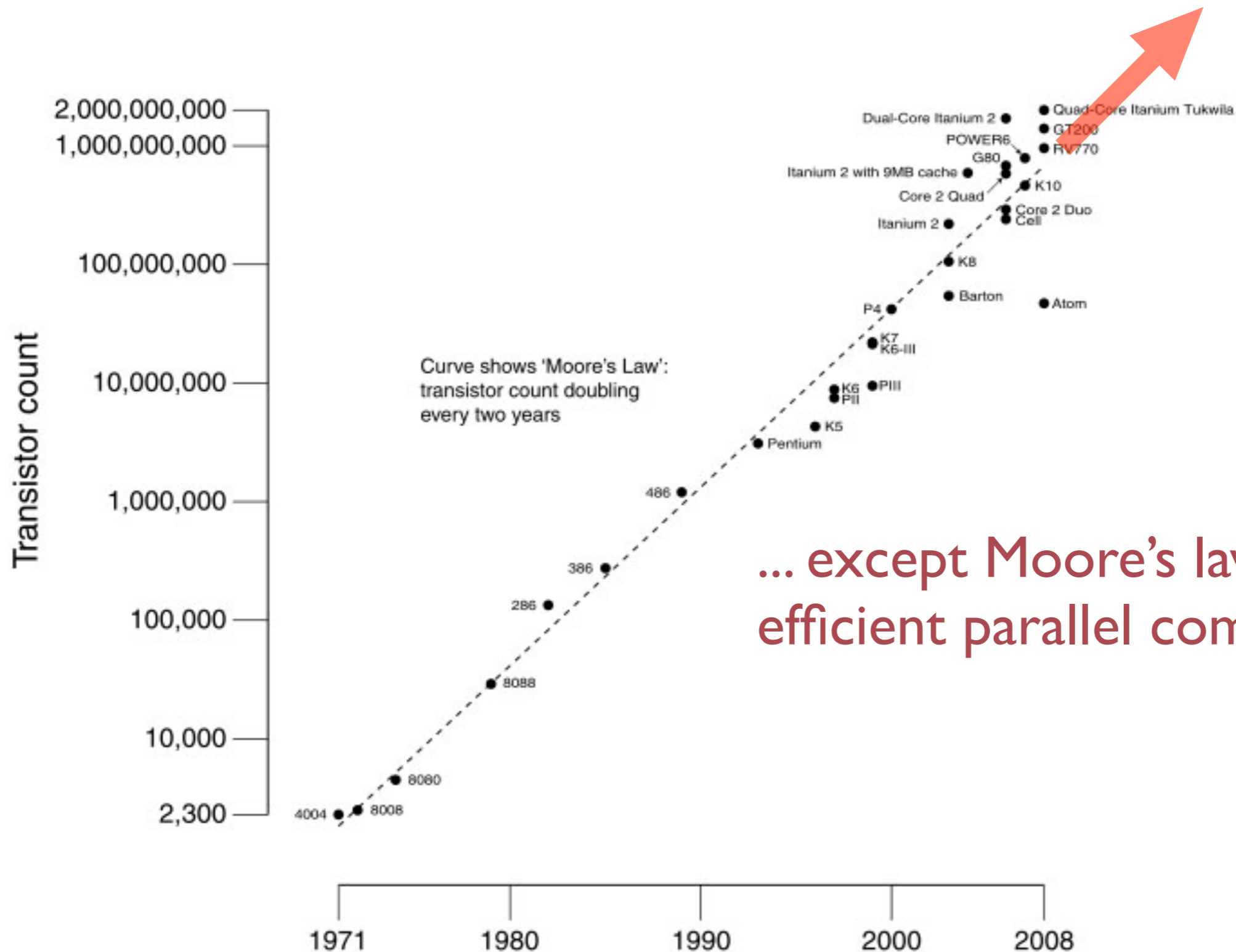
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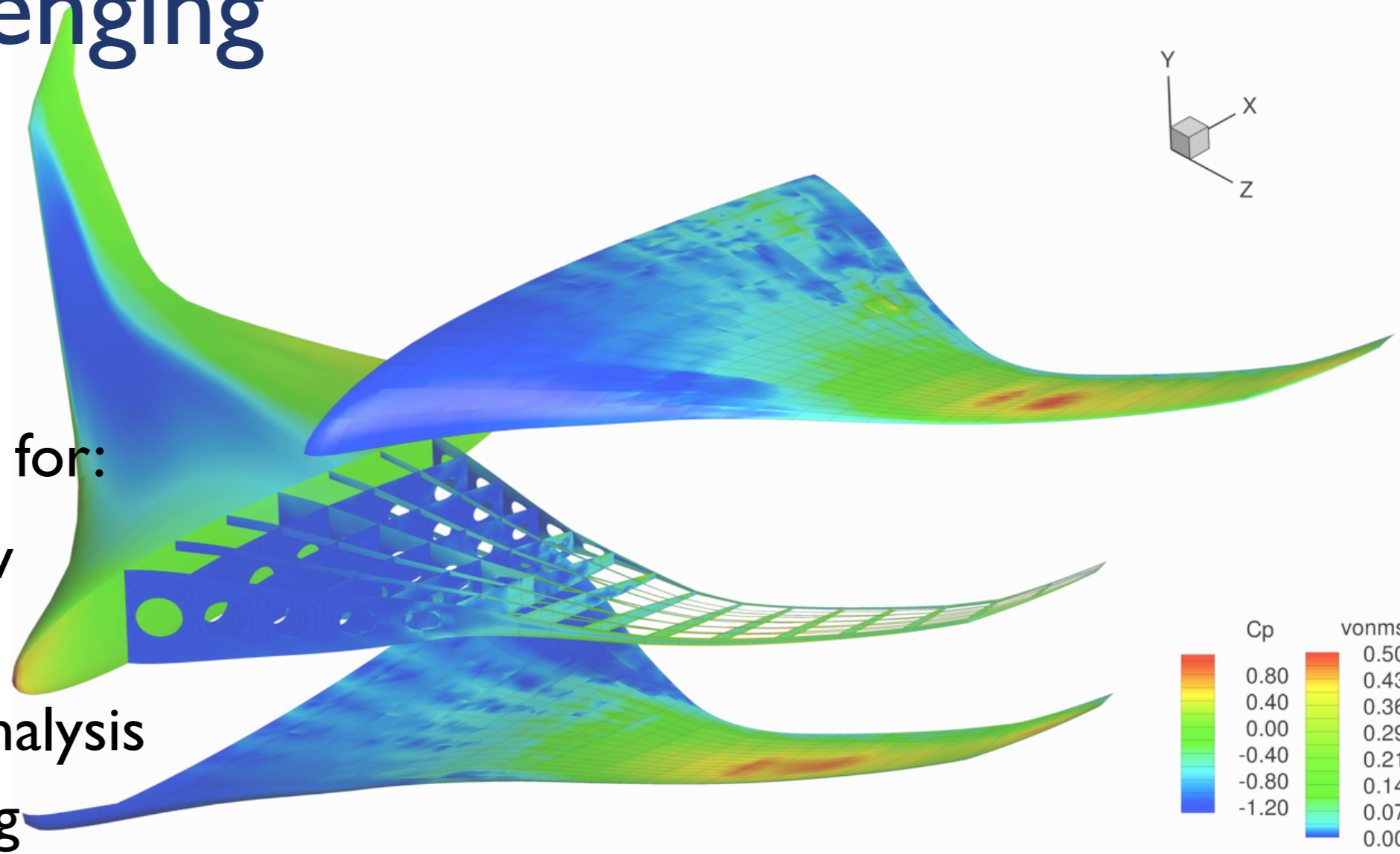
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Why we need high-fidelity MDO, and why it is so challenging

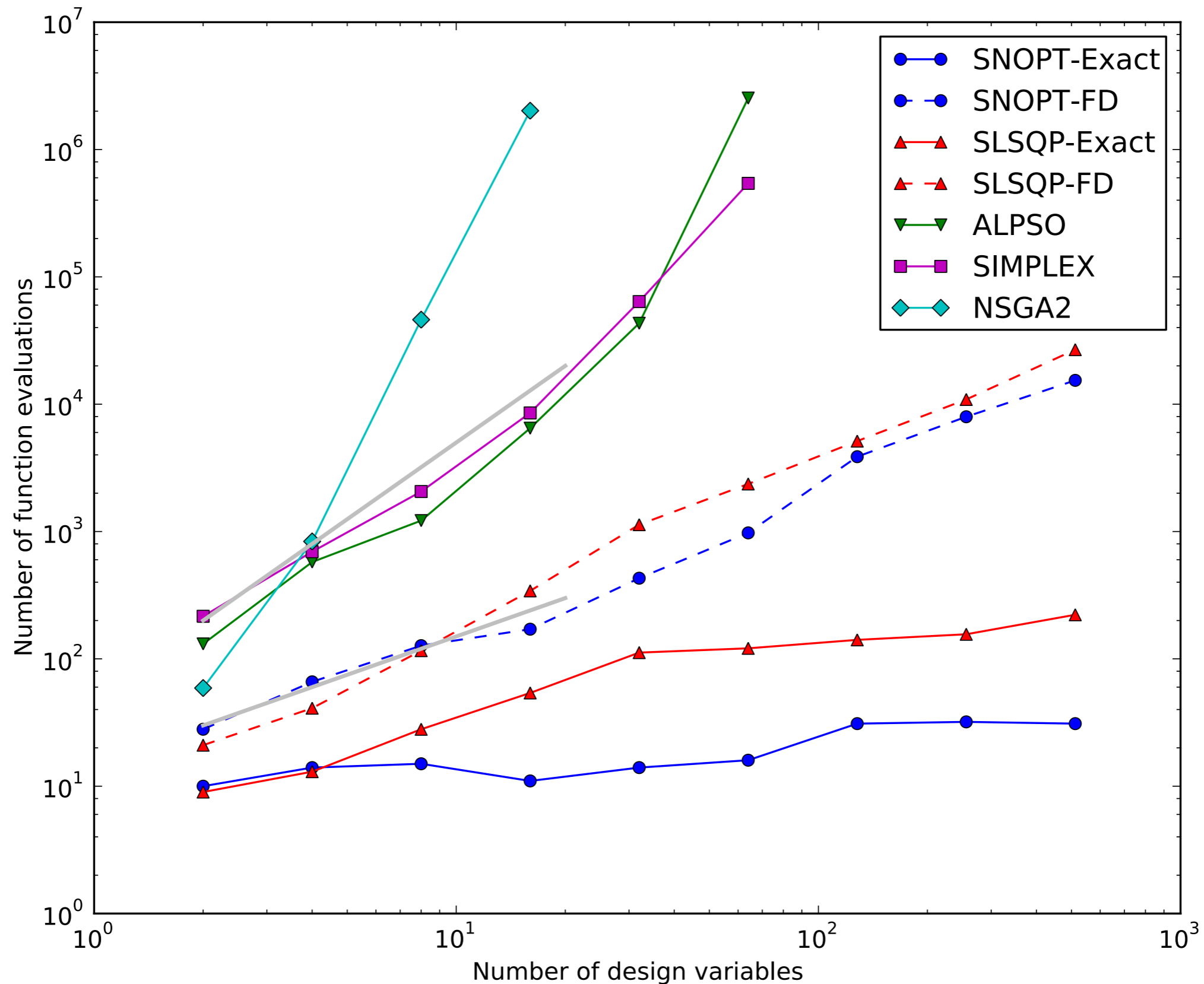


- High-fidelity needed for:
 - ▶ Compressible flow
 - ▶ Viscous drag
 - ▶ Accurate failure analysis
 - ▶ Nonlinear coupling
- As high-fidelity analyses mature, the question becomes: How do we use these analyses to design a system?
- How do we utilize the full potential of a new technology?
- Large numbers of design variables and constraints required to take advantage of high-fidelity analyses

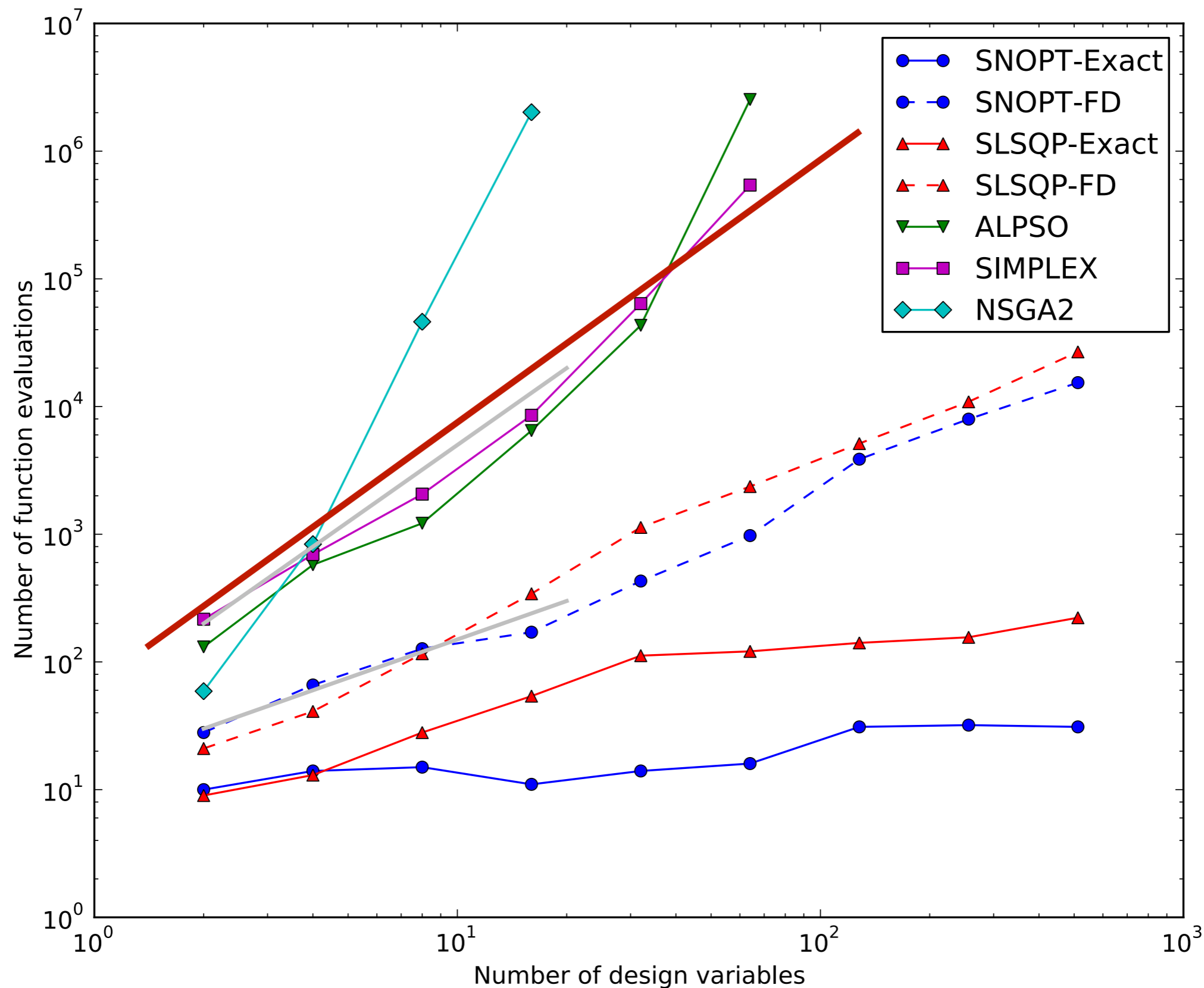
Some of the main challenges are:

1. Multiple highly coupled systems
2. High computational cost of analysis
3. Large numbers of design variables and constraints
4. Relevant problem formulation

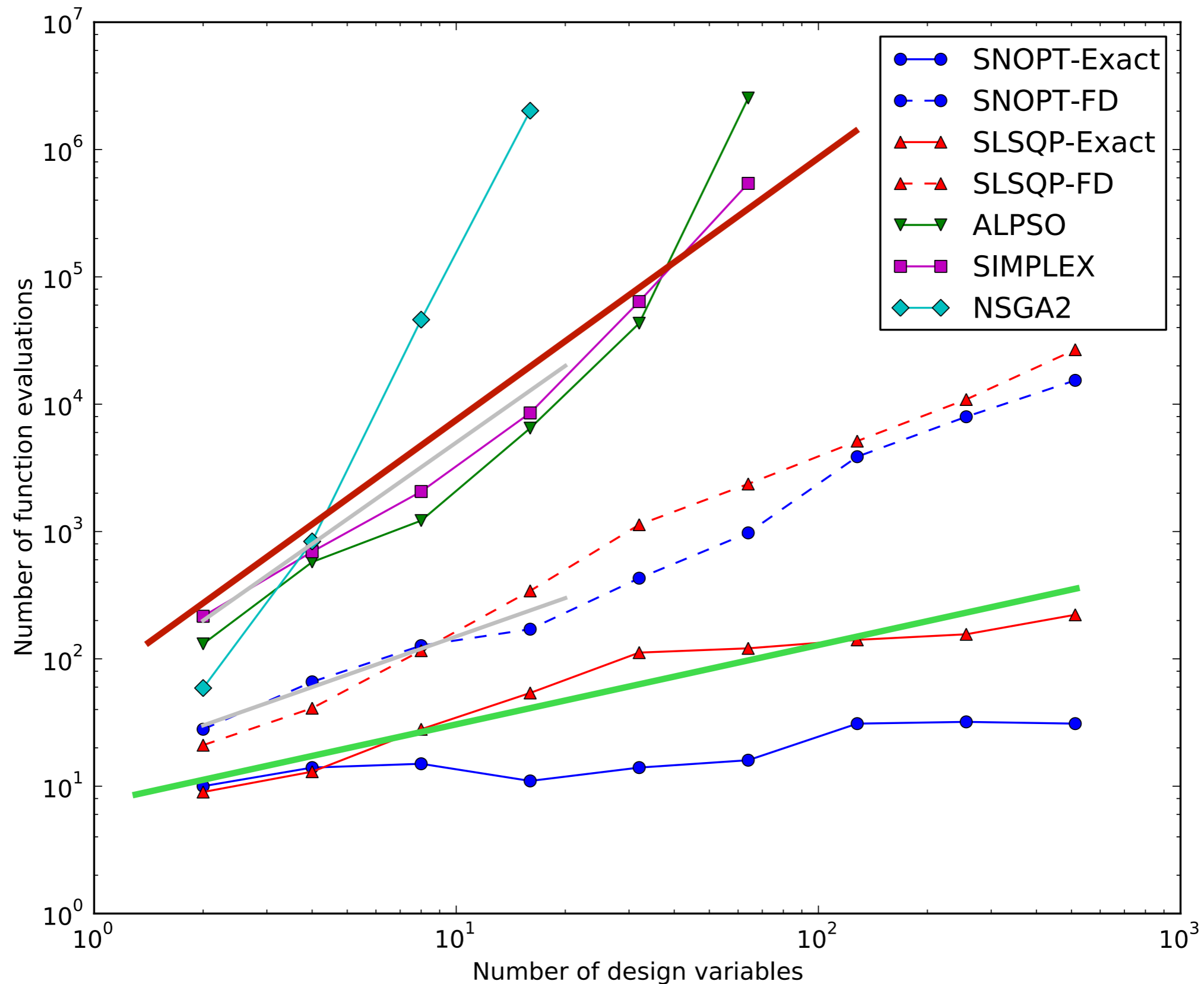
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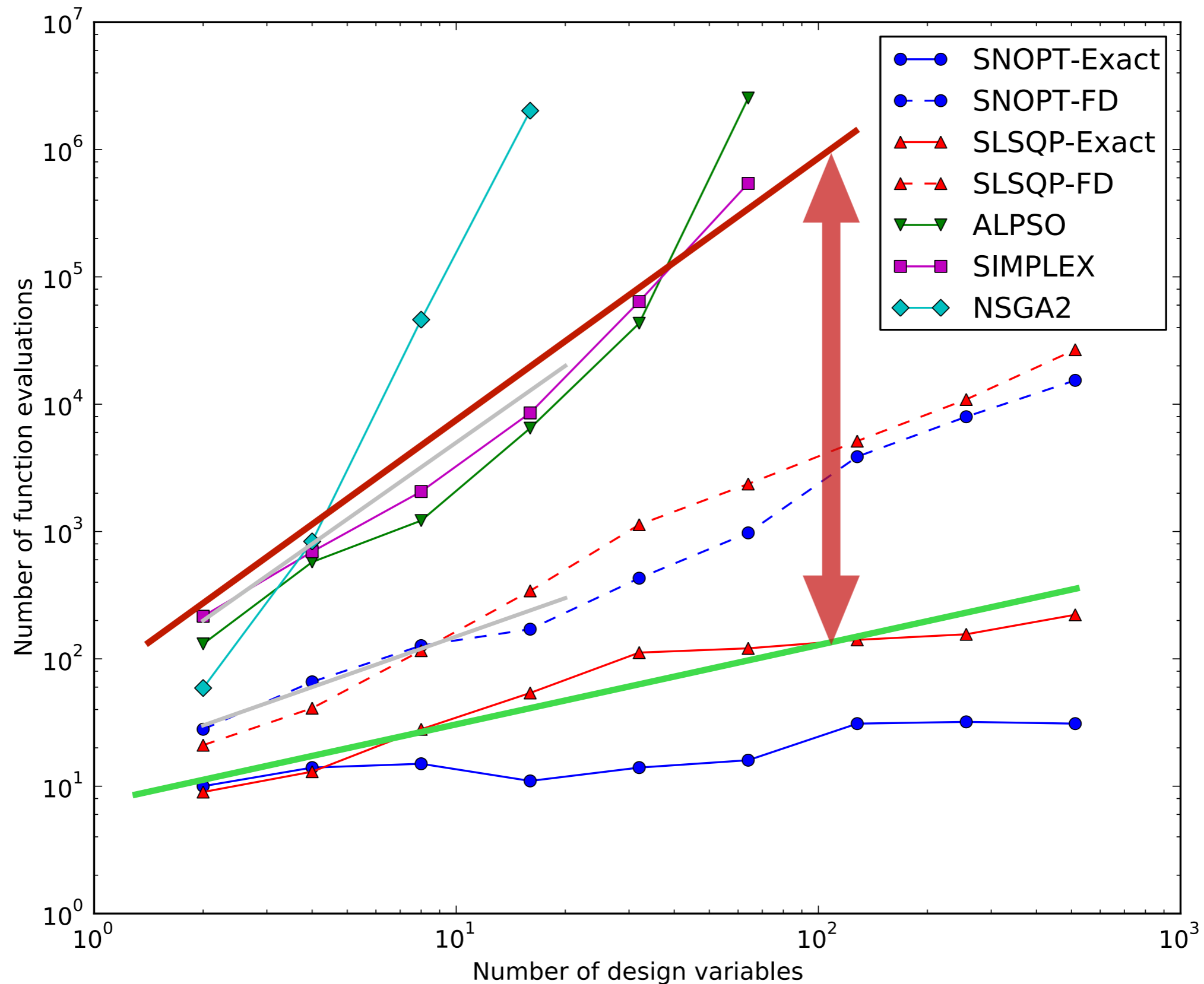
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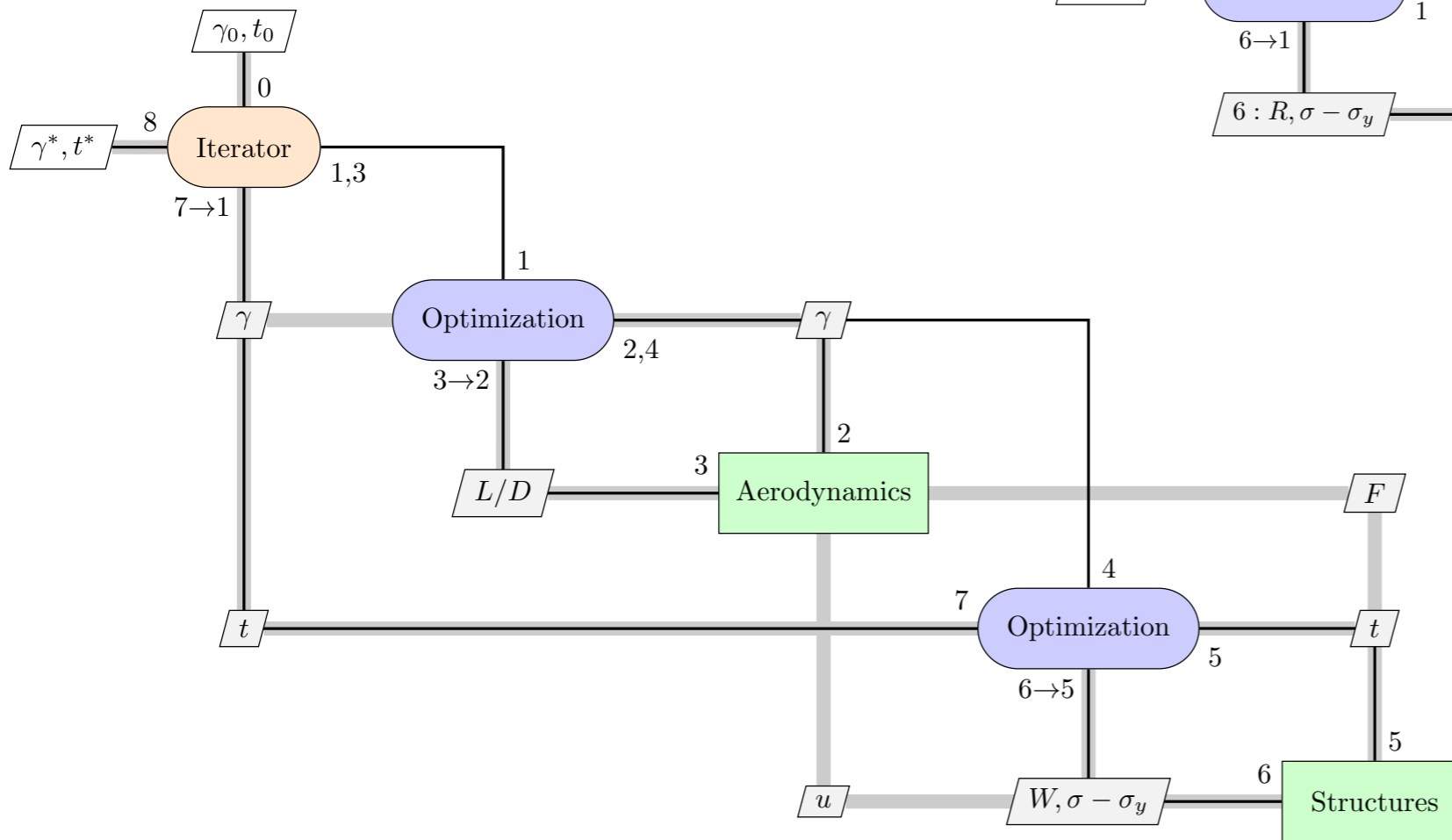


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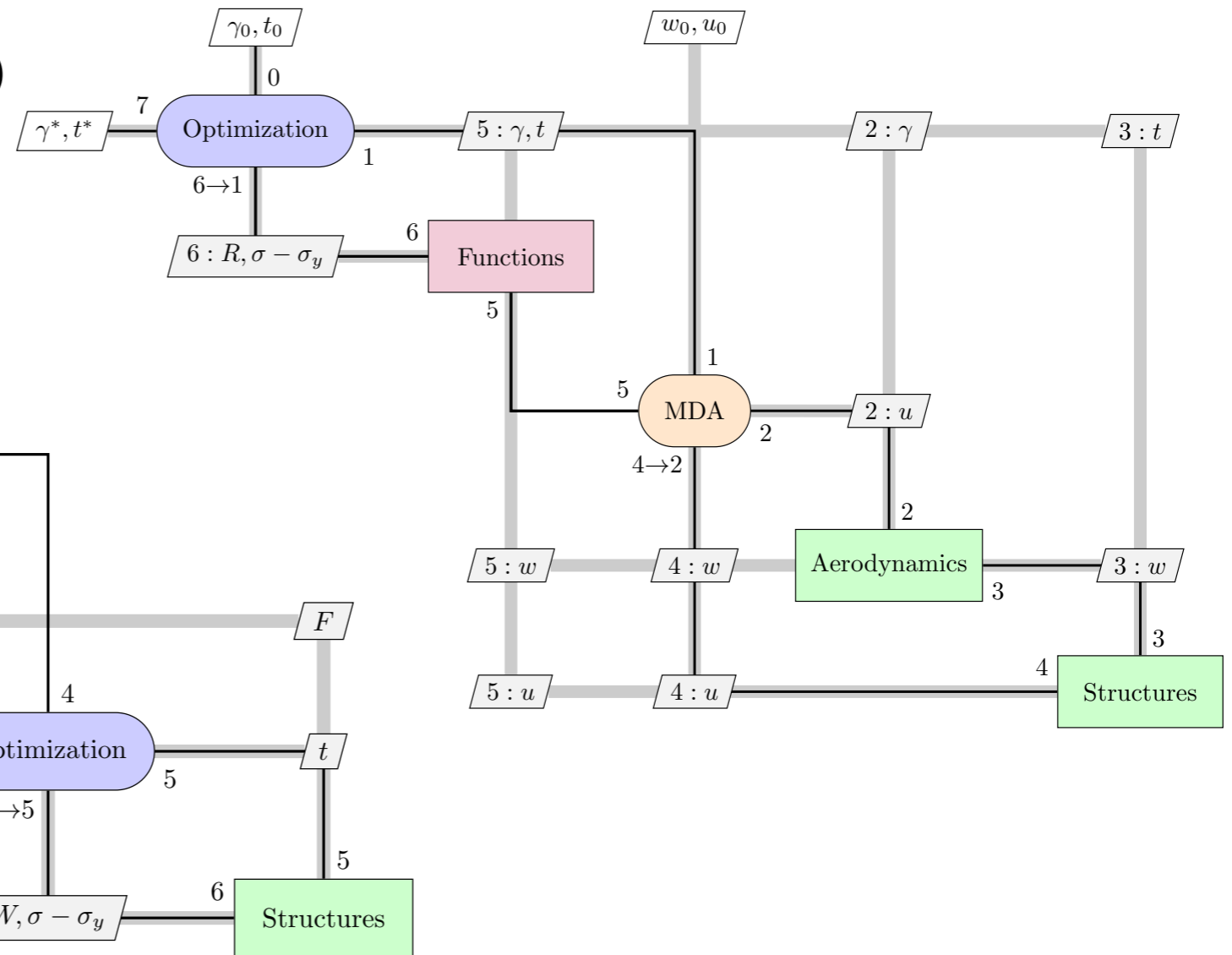


Why sequential optimization is not MDO: A wing design example

Sequential



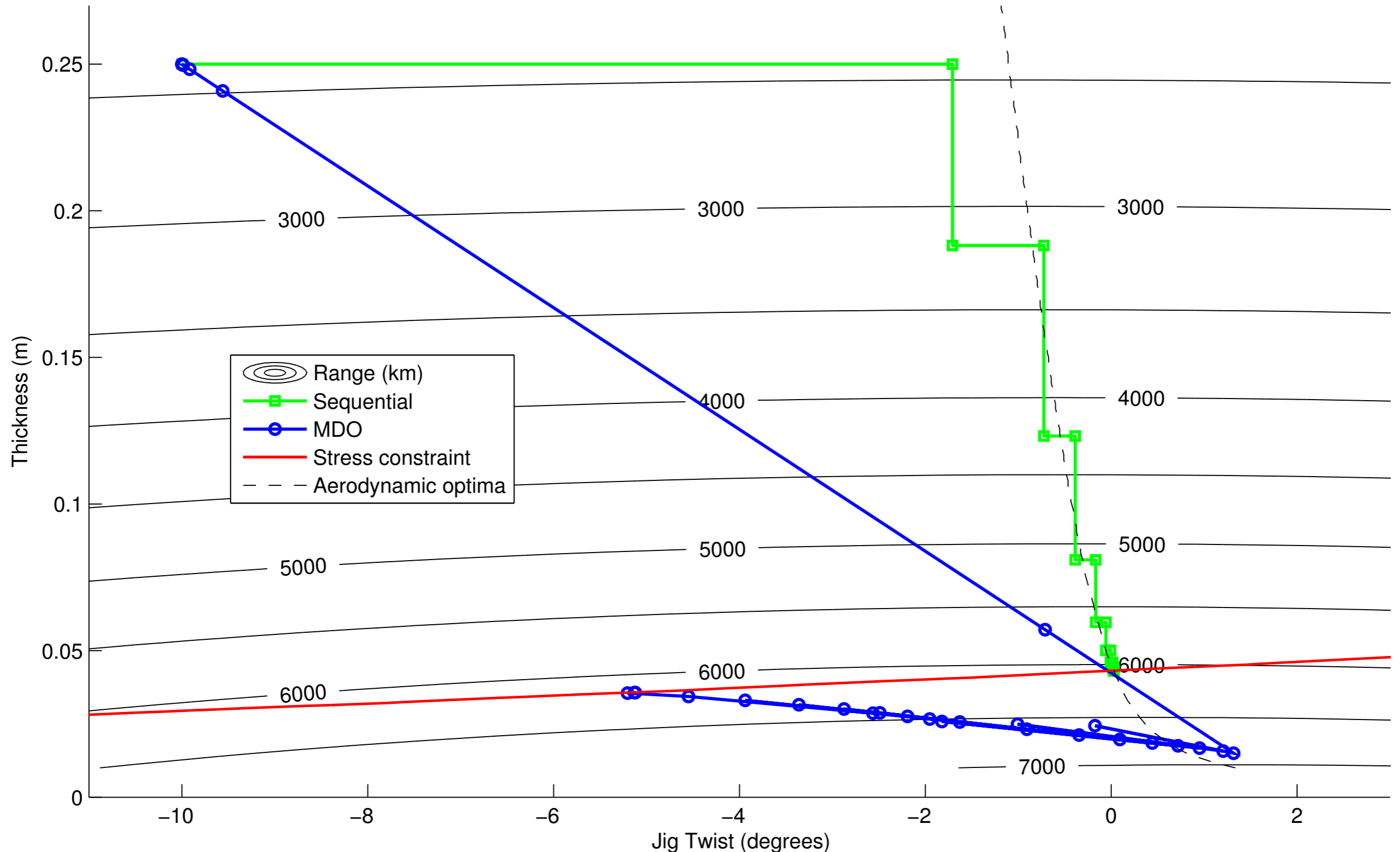
MDO



Aerodynamics: Panel code computes induced drag. Variables: wing twist and angle of attack

Structures: Beam finite-element model of the spar that computes the displacements and stresses. Variables: element thicknesses

Watch sequential optimization get stuck in a rut



[Chittick and Martins, *Structural and Multidisciplinary Optimization*, 2008]

Computing derivatives: a short review

One Chain to Rule Them All

The total variation of a variable with respect to another is

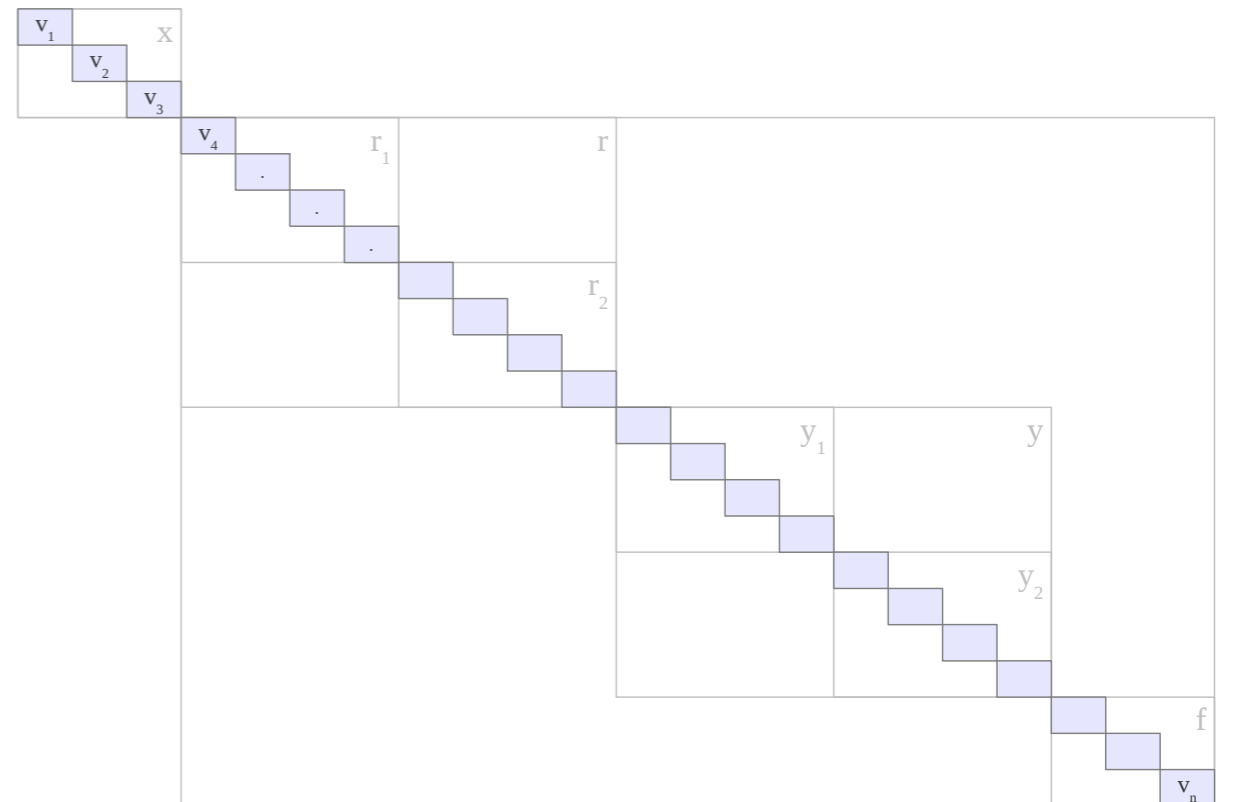
$$\Delta v_k = \sum_{l=j}^{k-1} \frac{\partial V_k}{\partial v_l} \Delta v_l$$

We want the total derivative

$$\frac{dv_i}{dv_j} = \frac{\Delta v_i}{\Delta v_j}$$

This yields the chain rule

$$\frac{dv_i}{dv_j} = \delta_{ij} + \sum_{k=j}^{i-1} \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial v_k} \frac{dv_k}{dv_j}$$



Chain Rule in Matrix Form

Define the partial and total derivative matrices

$$D_V = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial v_j} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & & & \\ \frac{\partial V_2}{\partial v_1} & 0 & \cdots & & \\ \frac{\partial V_3}{\partial v_1} & \frac{\partial V_3}{\partial v_2} & 0 & \cdots & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ \frac{\partial V_n}{\partial v_1} & \frac{\partial V_n}{\partial v_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial V_n}{\partial v_{n-1}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad D_v = \frac{dv_i}{dv_j} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & & \\ \frac{dv_2}{dv_1} & 1 & 0 & \cdots & \\ \frac{dv_3}{dv_1} & \frac{dv_3}{dv_2} & 1 & 0 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ \frac{dv_n}{dv_1} & \frac{dv_n}{dv_2} & \cdots & \frac{dv_n}{dv_{n-1}} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Use this notation to write the chain rule in matrix form

$$\frac{dv_i}{dv_j} = \delta_{ij} + \sum_{k=j}^{i-1} \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial v_k} \frac{dv_k}{dv_j} \quad \Rightarrow \quad D_v = I + D_V D_v$$

Yielding the linear system

$$\underbrace{(I - D_V)}_{n \times n} \underbrace{D_v}_{n \times n} = \underbrace{I}_{n \times n}$$

The Chain Rule in Reverse

The two matrices are each other's inverses, so

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V) \mathbf{D}_v &= \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \mathbf{D}_v = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V)^{-1} \Rightarrow \\ \mathbf{D}_v^T &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V)^{-T} \Rightarrow (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V)^T \mathbf{D}_v^T = \mathbf{I} \end{aligned}$$

And we get the reverse form of the chain rule

Both forward and reverse modes of the chain rule yield the identity

$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V) \mathbf{D}_v = \mathbf{I} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V)^T \mathbf{D}_v^T$$

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Forward and Reverse Chain Rule

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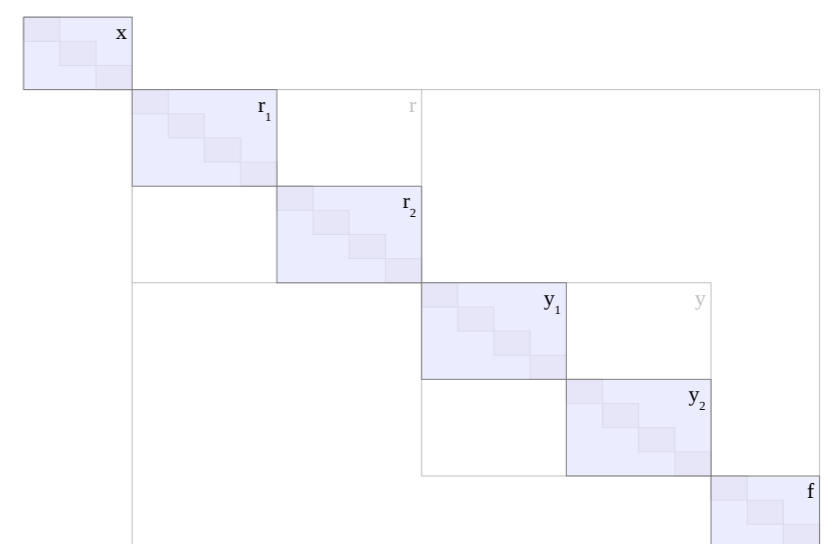
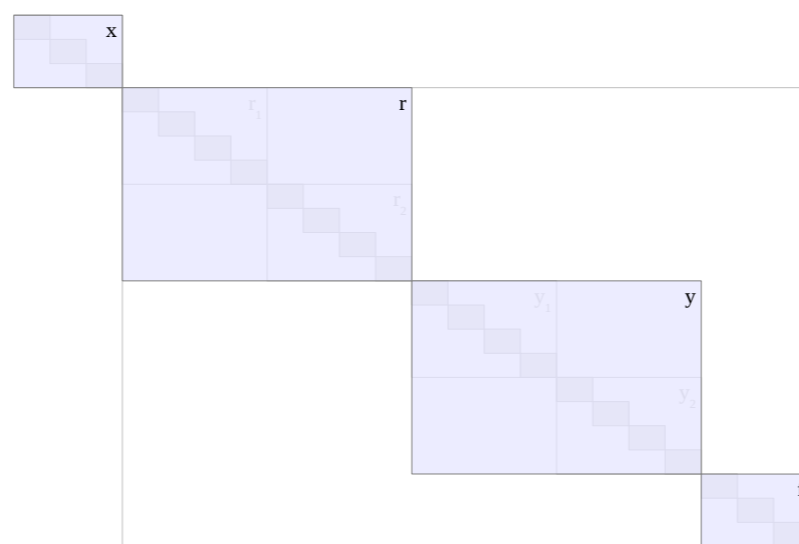
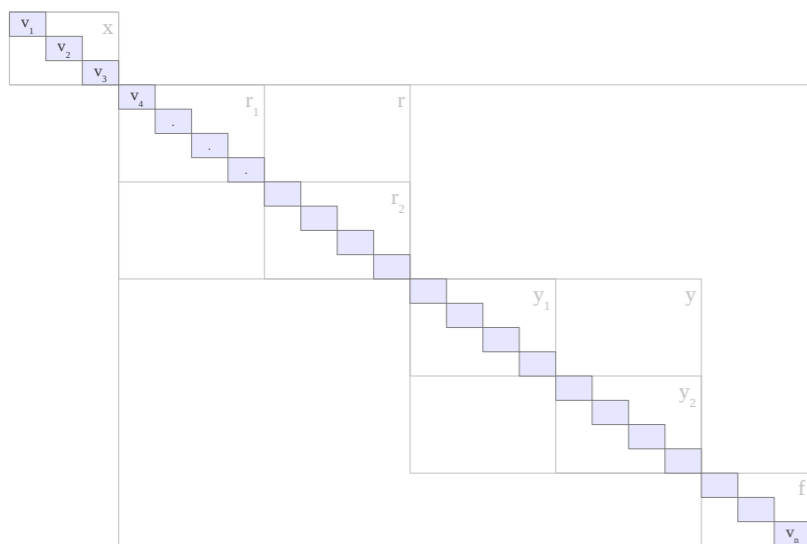
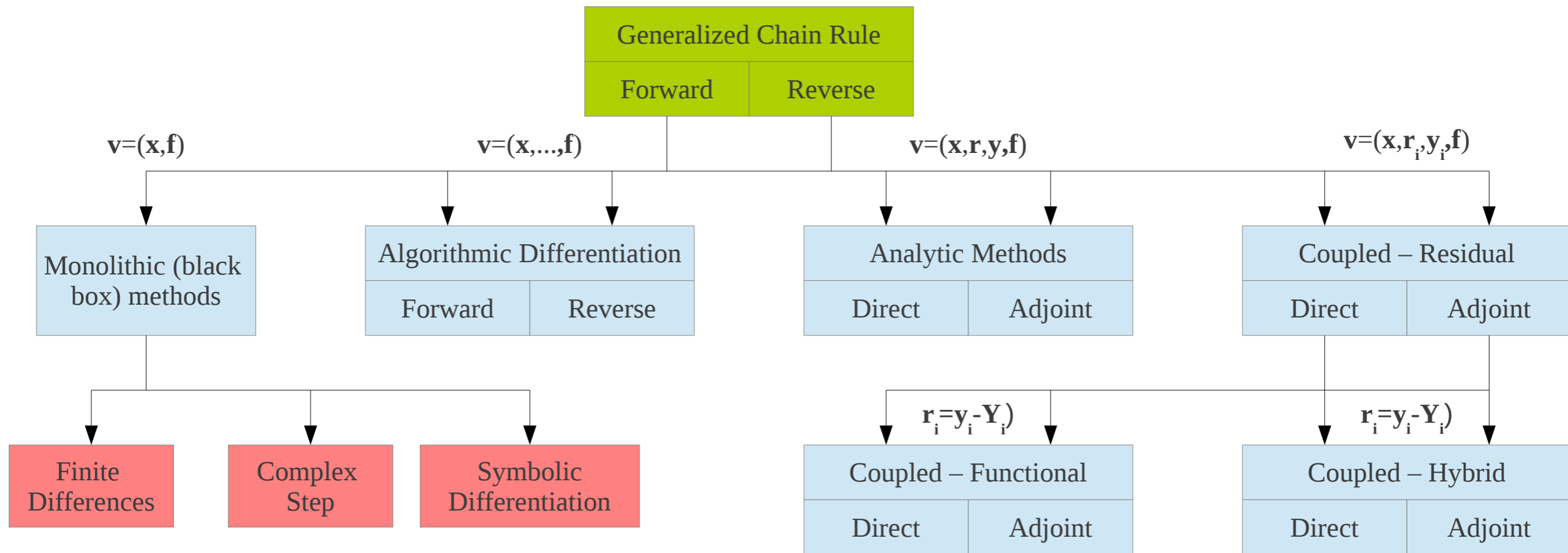
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Methods for Computing Derivatives

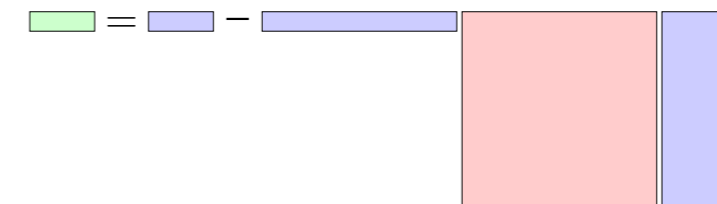
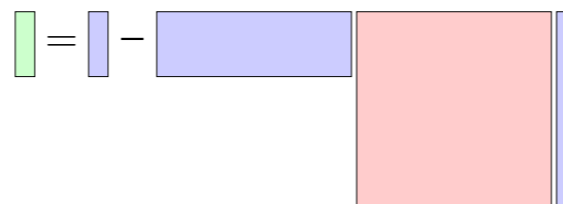


Direct vs. Adjoint Methods

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$$n_x > n_f$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{f}}{d\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \right]^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

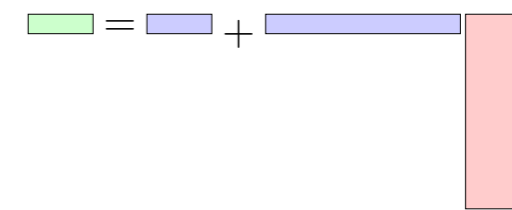
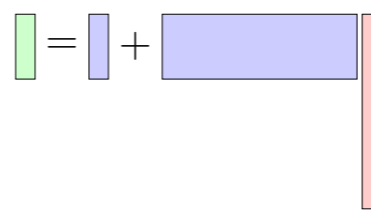


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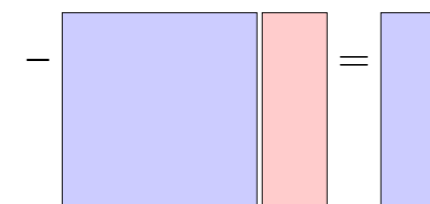
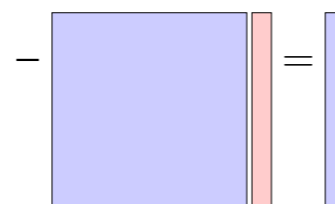
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$$- \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{d\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

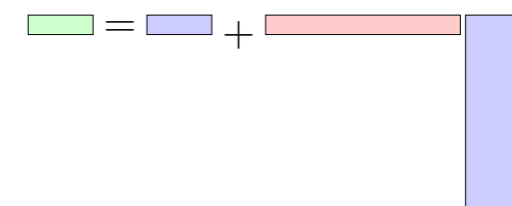
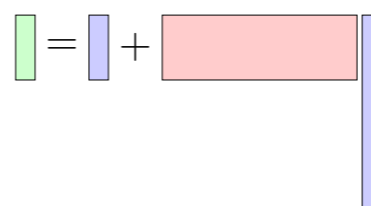


Adjoint method

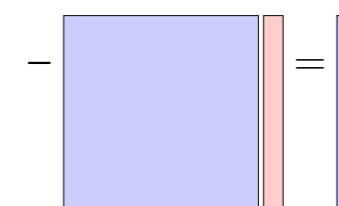
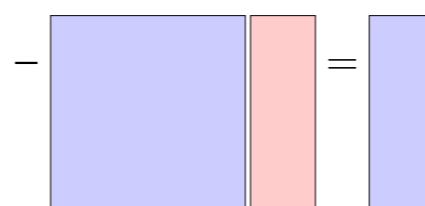
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$$- \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \right]^T \left[\frac{d\mathbf{f}}{d\mathbf{r}} \right]^T = \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \right]^T$$

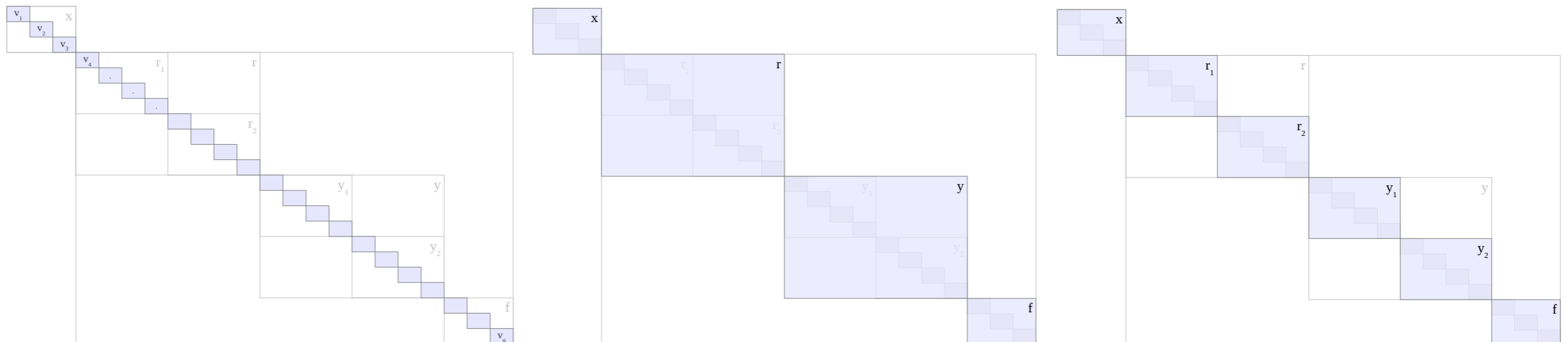


In a nutshell...

- Algorithmic differentiation (forward and reverse) and analytic methods (direct and reverse) can be derived from:

$$\boxed{(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V) \mathbf{D}_v = \mathbf{I} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}_V)^T \mathbf{D}_v^T}$$

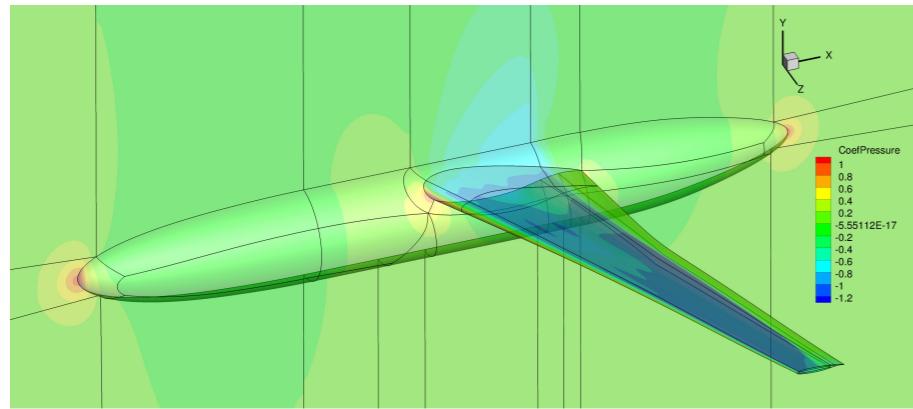
- It is all about defining the variables involved to the right level of decomposition
- More details in the paper



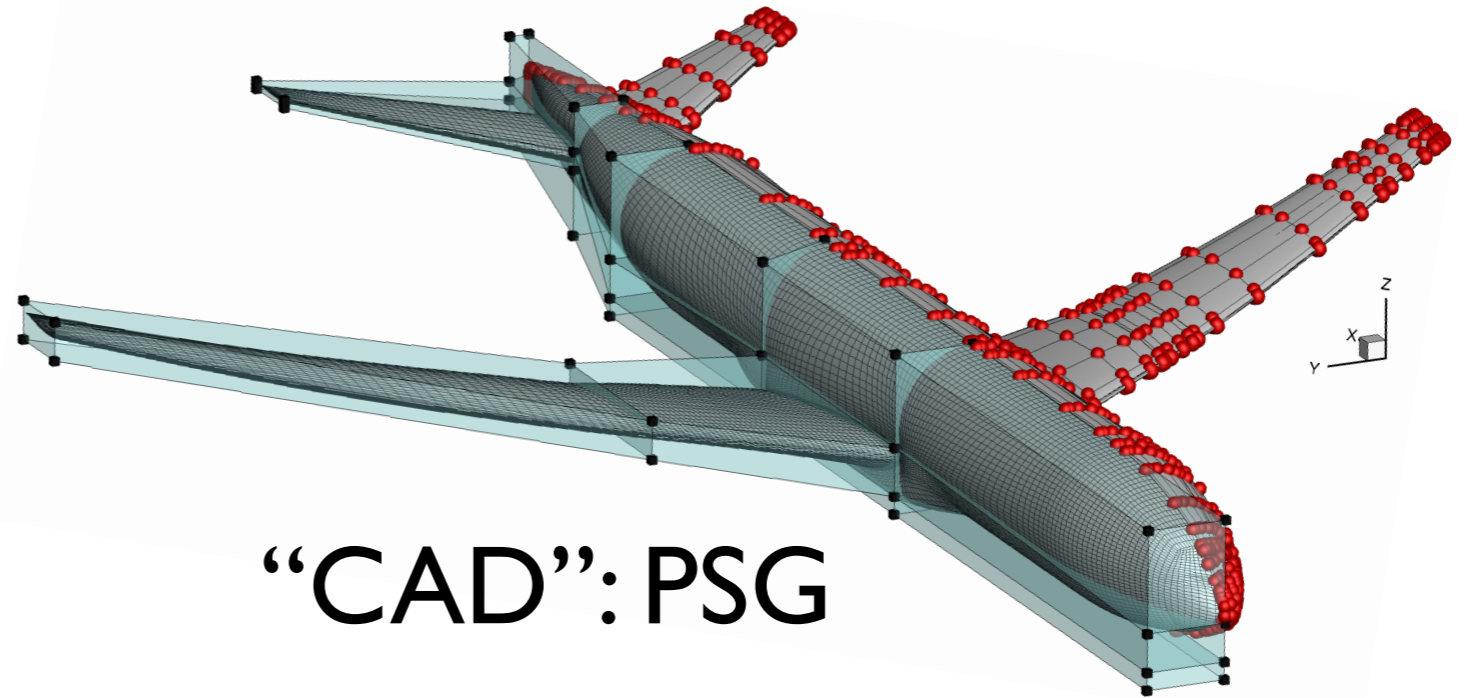
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What tools do we have for high-fidelity aerosturctural analysis and optimization?

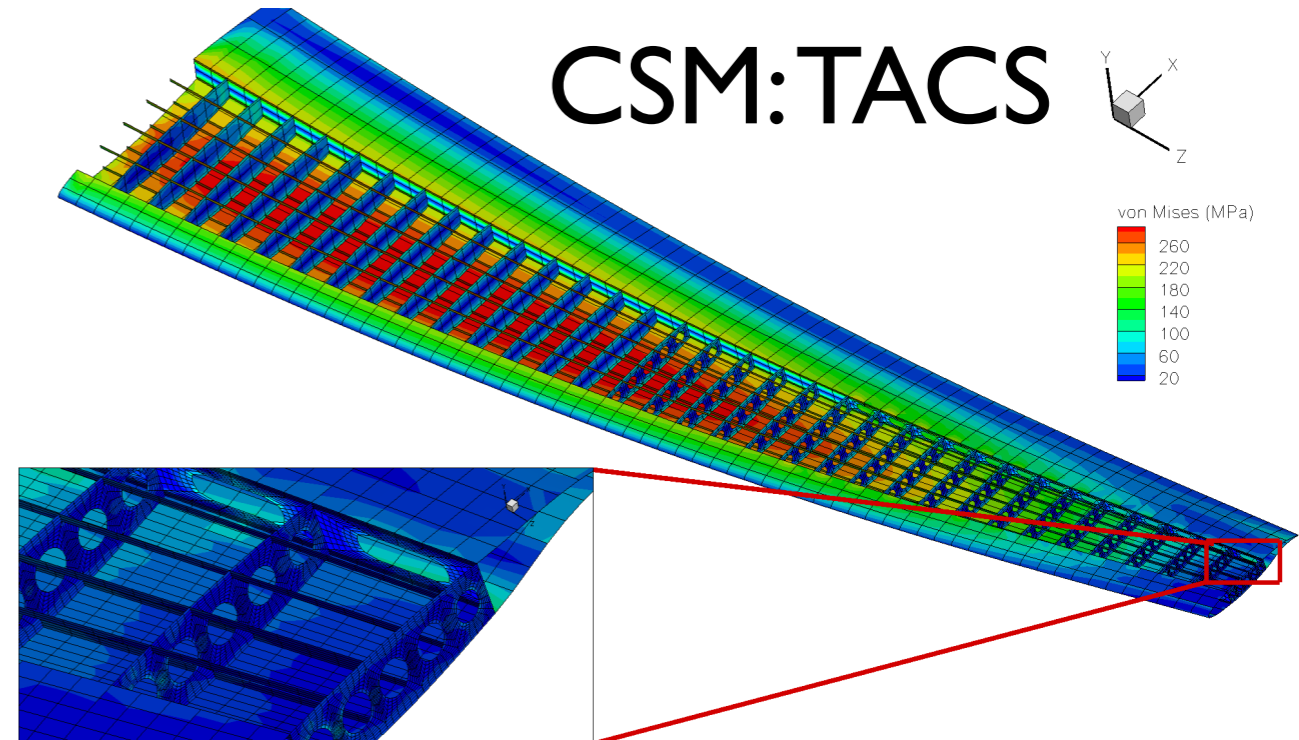
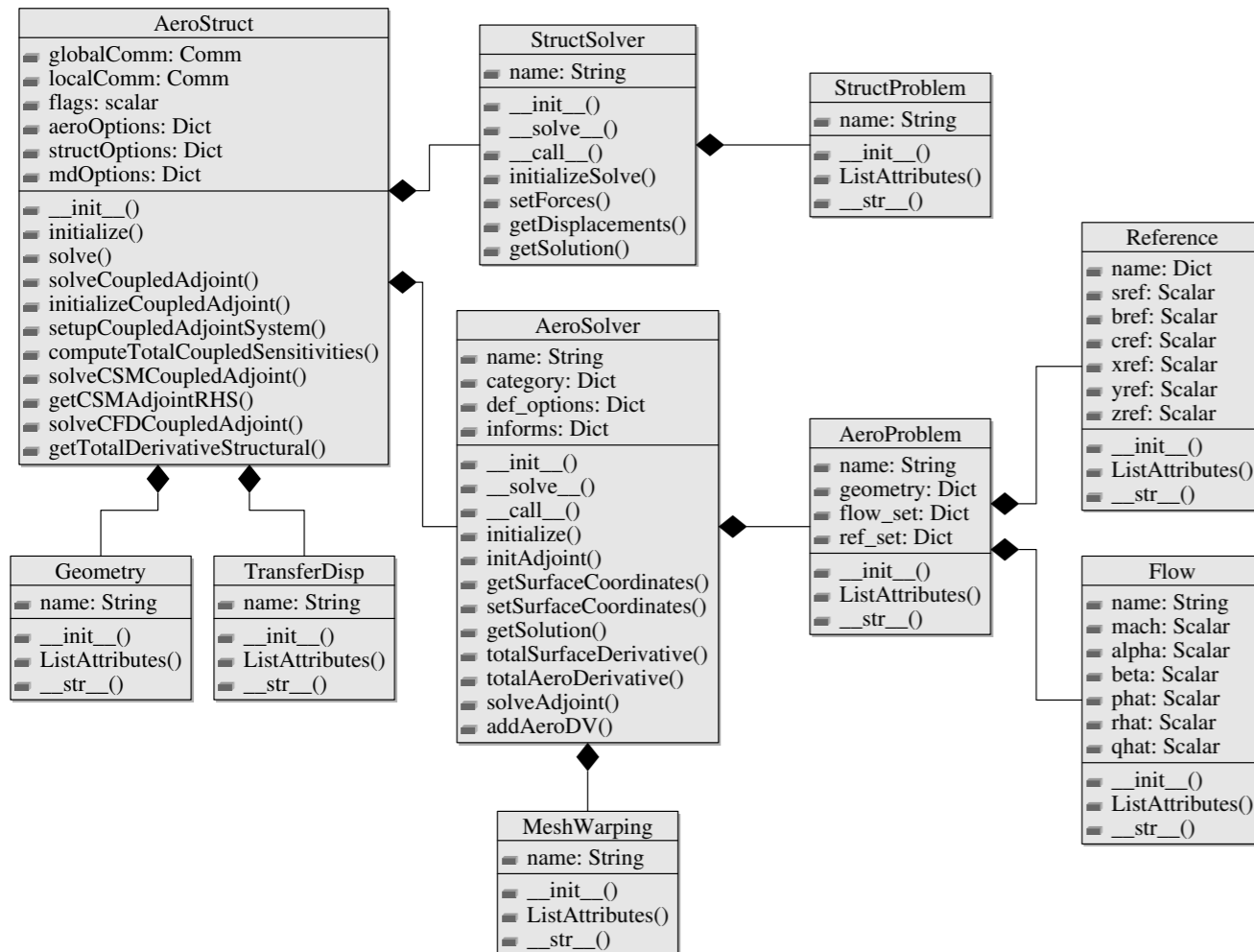
MDO for Aircraft Configurations with High-fidelity (MACH)



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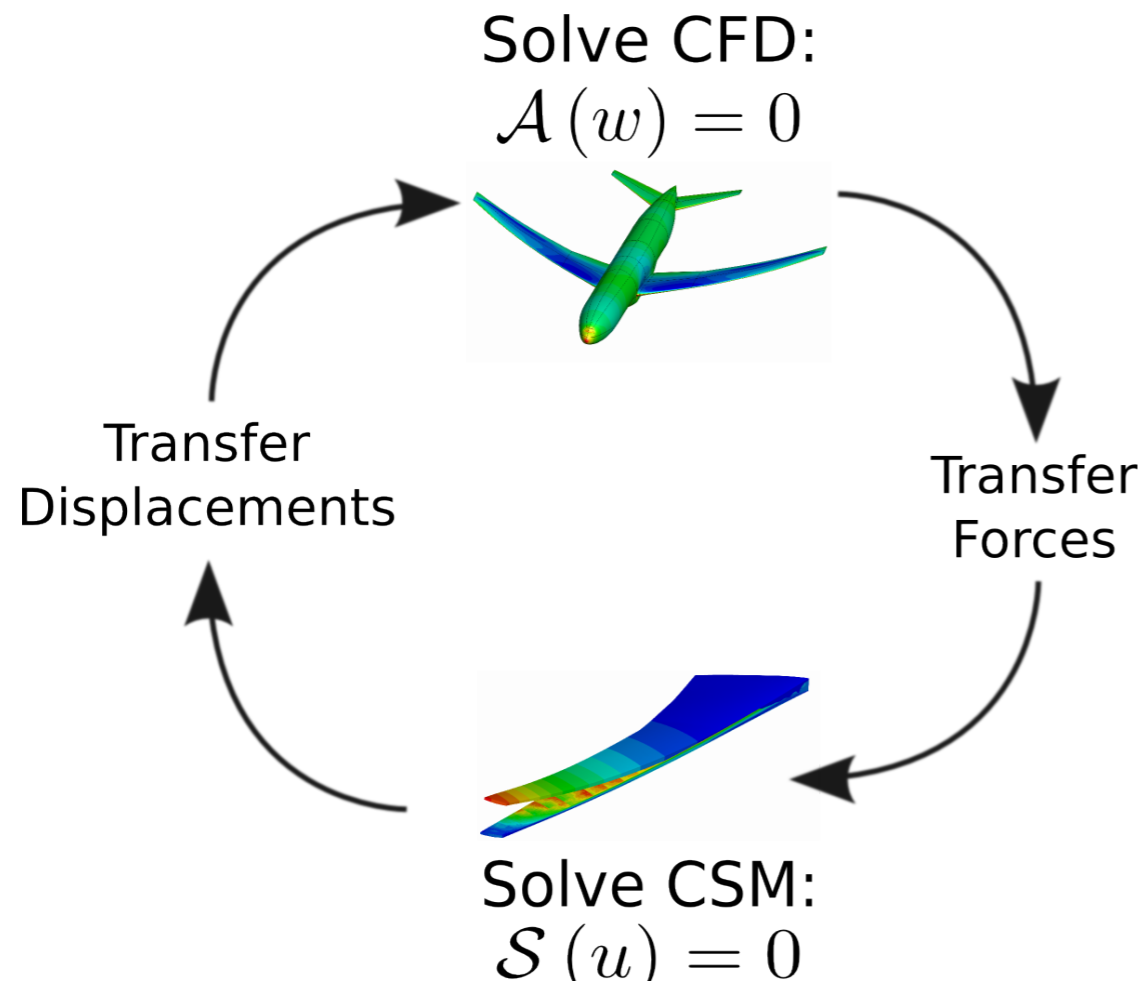


“CAD”: PSG



CSM: TACS

Fully coupled aerostructural analysis



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

Two available methods:

- A nonlinear block Gauss–Seidel method with Aitken acceleration
- A coupled Newton–Krylov method

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathcal{A}}{\partial w} & \frac{\partial \mathcal{A}}{\partial u} \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial w} & \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial u} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta w \\ \Delta u \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}(w) \\ \mathcal{S}(u) \end{bmatrix}$$

The coupled adjoint is the reason we require the source code for each component

Adjoint equations for the aerostructural system

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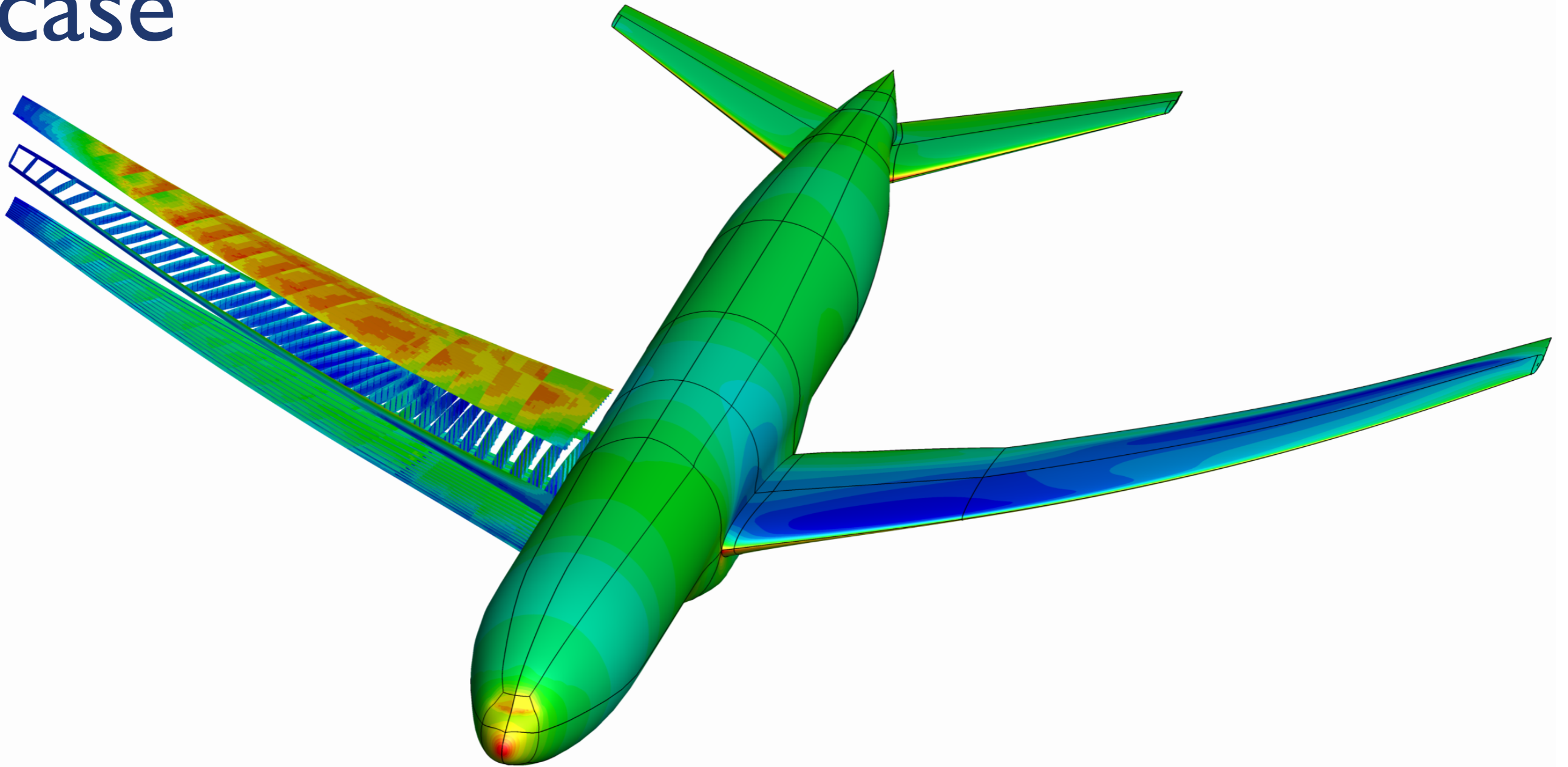
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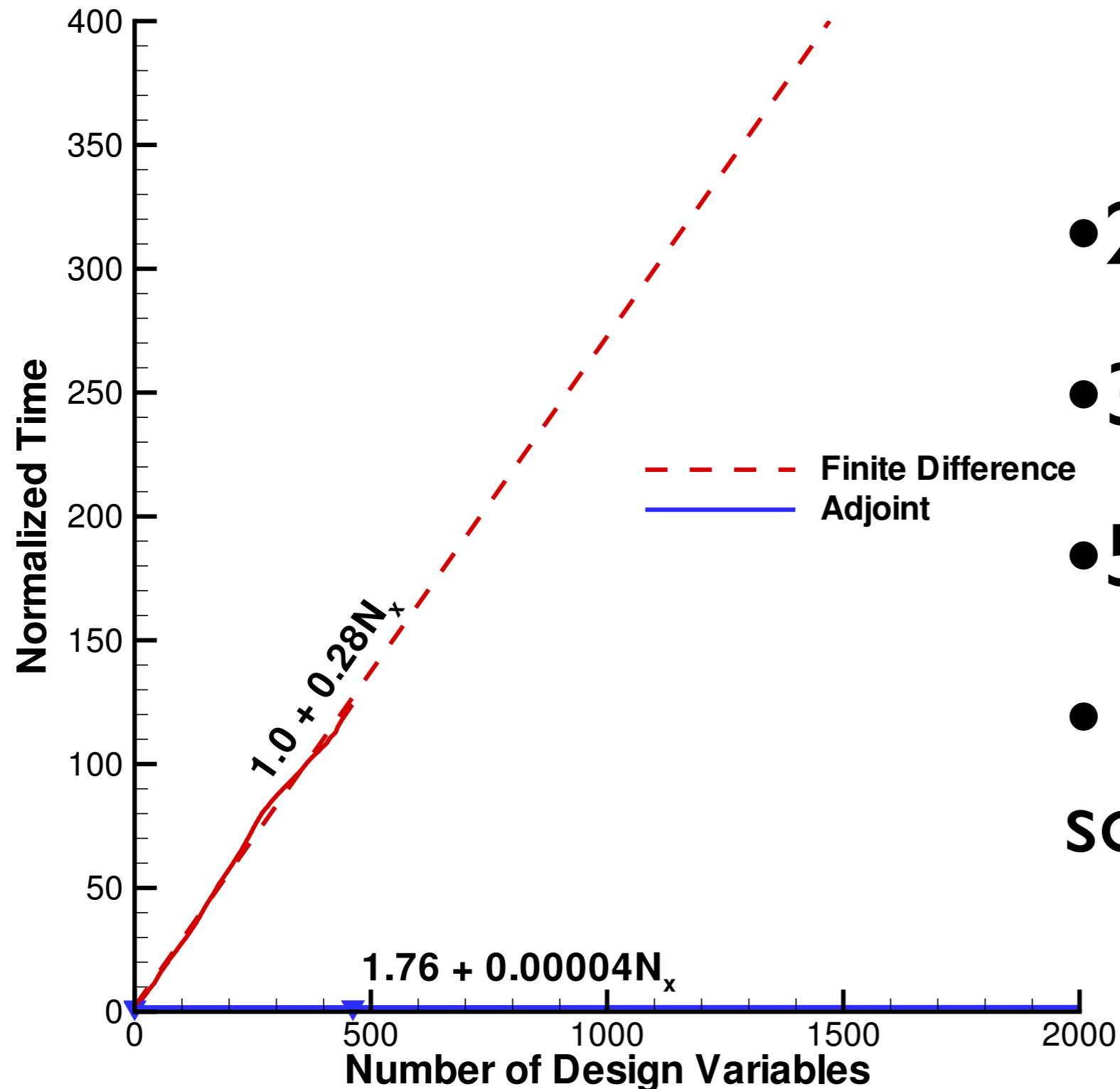
Let's optimize a
wing!

Chose the CRM geometry as a first case



- Common Research Model (CRM) from DPW4
- 2 million cells in CFD mesh
- Includes a structural model with 300 thousand DOFs

The coupled adjoint is the key for correct and efficient gradients



- 2M CFD cells
- 300k CSM DOFs
- 56 processors
- 1 aerostructural solution = 5.5 min

The baseline aircraft is similar to a 777-200ER



Design and Maneuver Conditions

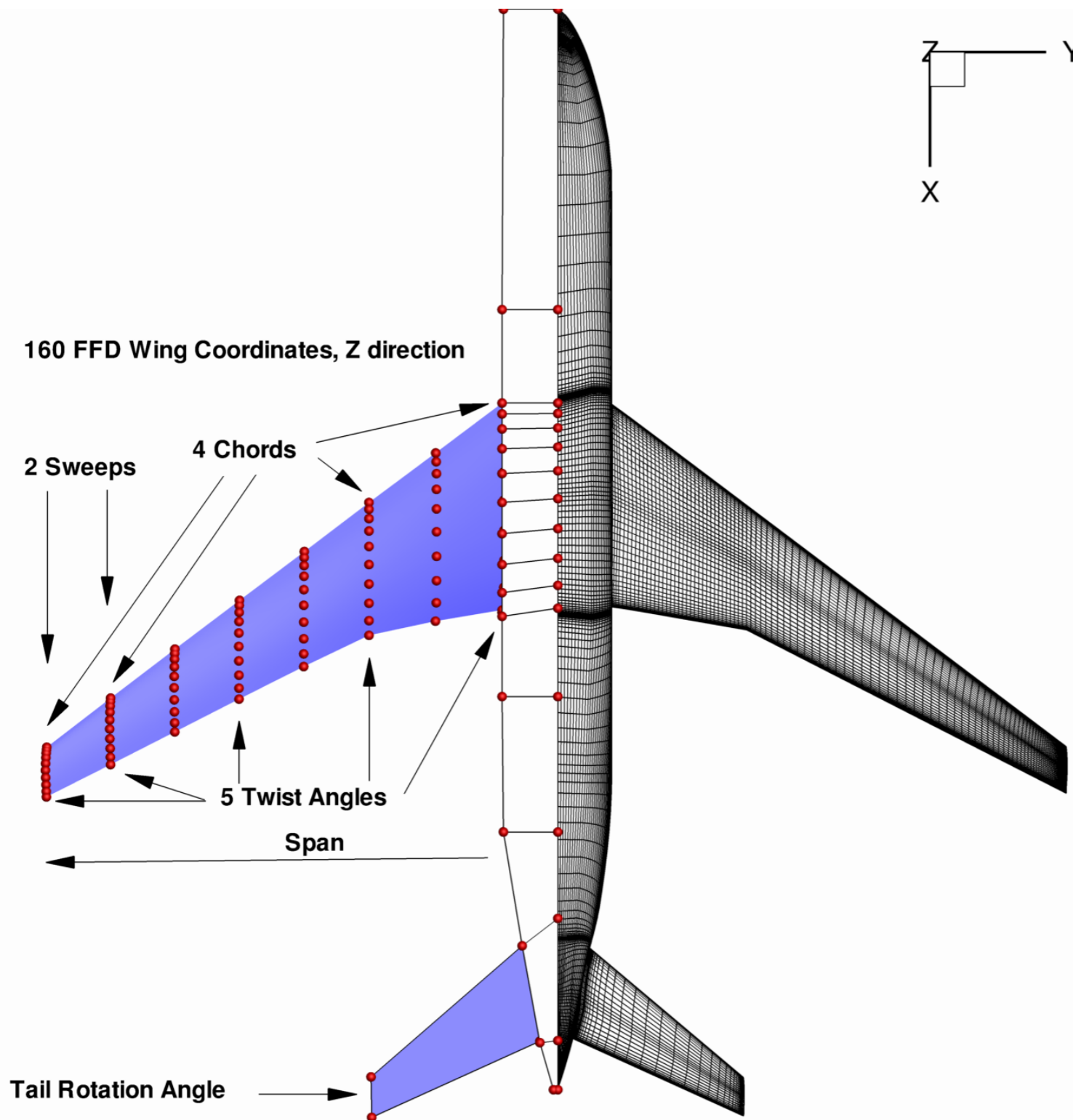
- Multi-point optimization considered a necessity in transonic flow with sufficient design freedom

Group	Identifier	Mach	Altitude, (ft)	Load Factor
Cruise	1	0.85	35 000	1.0
	2	0.84	35 000	1.0
	3	0.86	35 000	1.0
	4	0.85	34 000	1.0
	5	0.85	36 000	1.0
Maneuver	1	0.86	20 000	2.5
	2	0.85	32 000	1.3
Stability	1	0.85	35 000	1.0

- Static margin estimate requires an additional flow analysis to estimate derivatives C_{M_α} and C_{L_α}

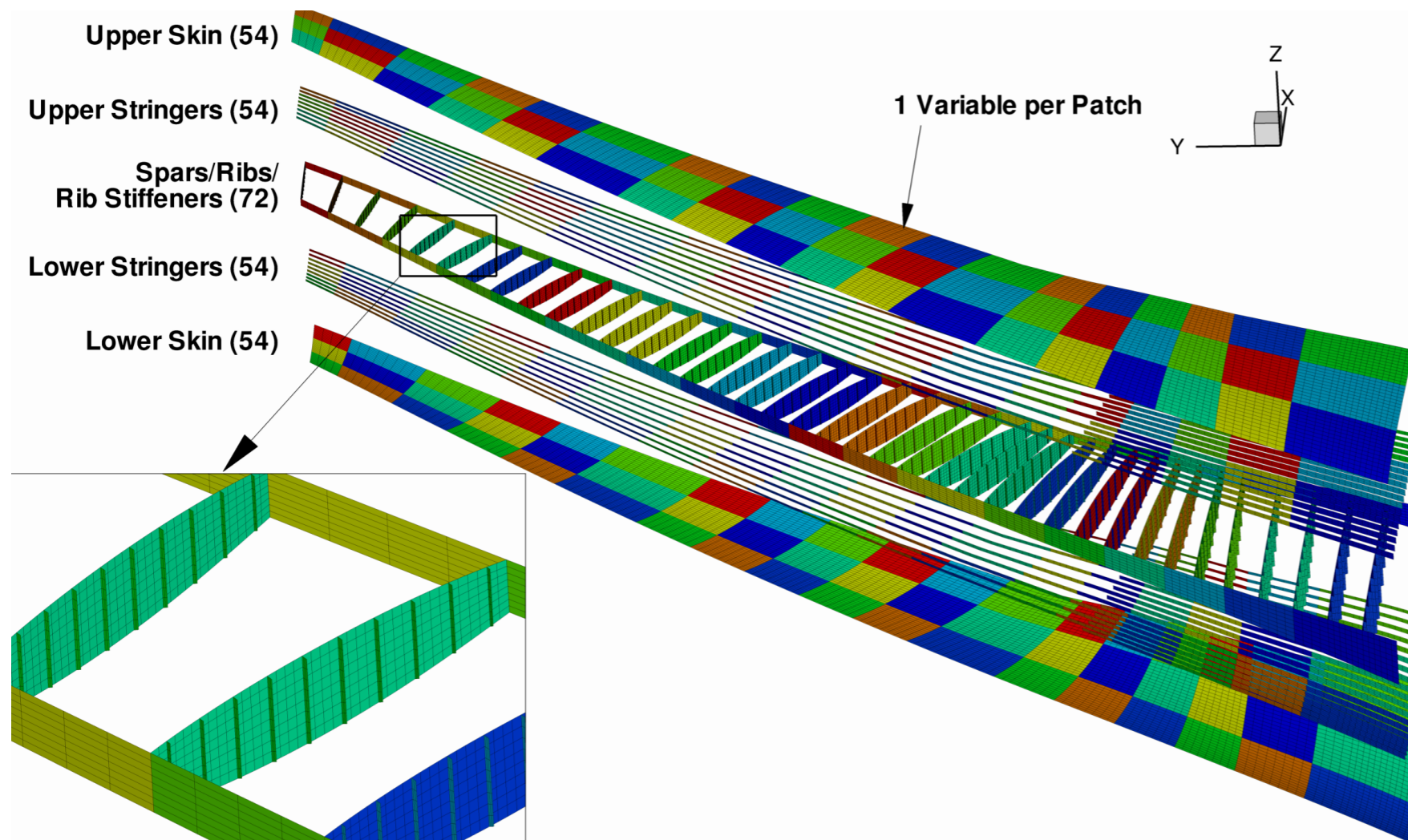
$$K_n = -\frac{C_{M_\alpha}}{C_{L_\alpha}}.$$

“Aerodynamic” shape variables also affect the structure directly



- 12 global geometric design variables
- 160 local shape design variables
- 2.1 million cell CFD mesh
- 1 angle of attack and 1 tail rotation angle for each operating condition

Structural sizing patchwork



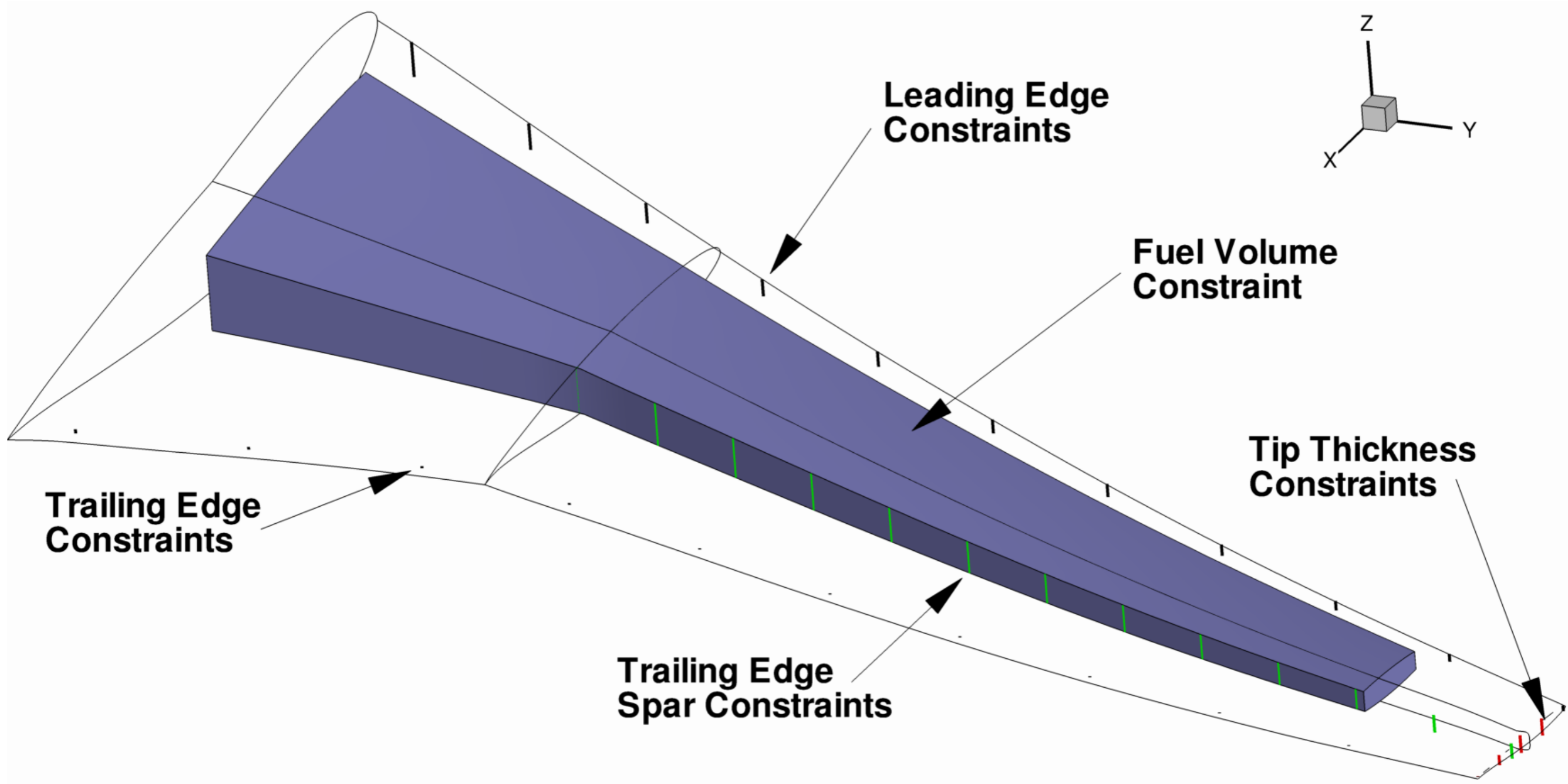
- 288 thickness design variables
- 300 000 structural degrees of freedom
- 476 total design variables

Need these constraints to make it realistic (and probably more)

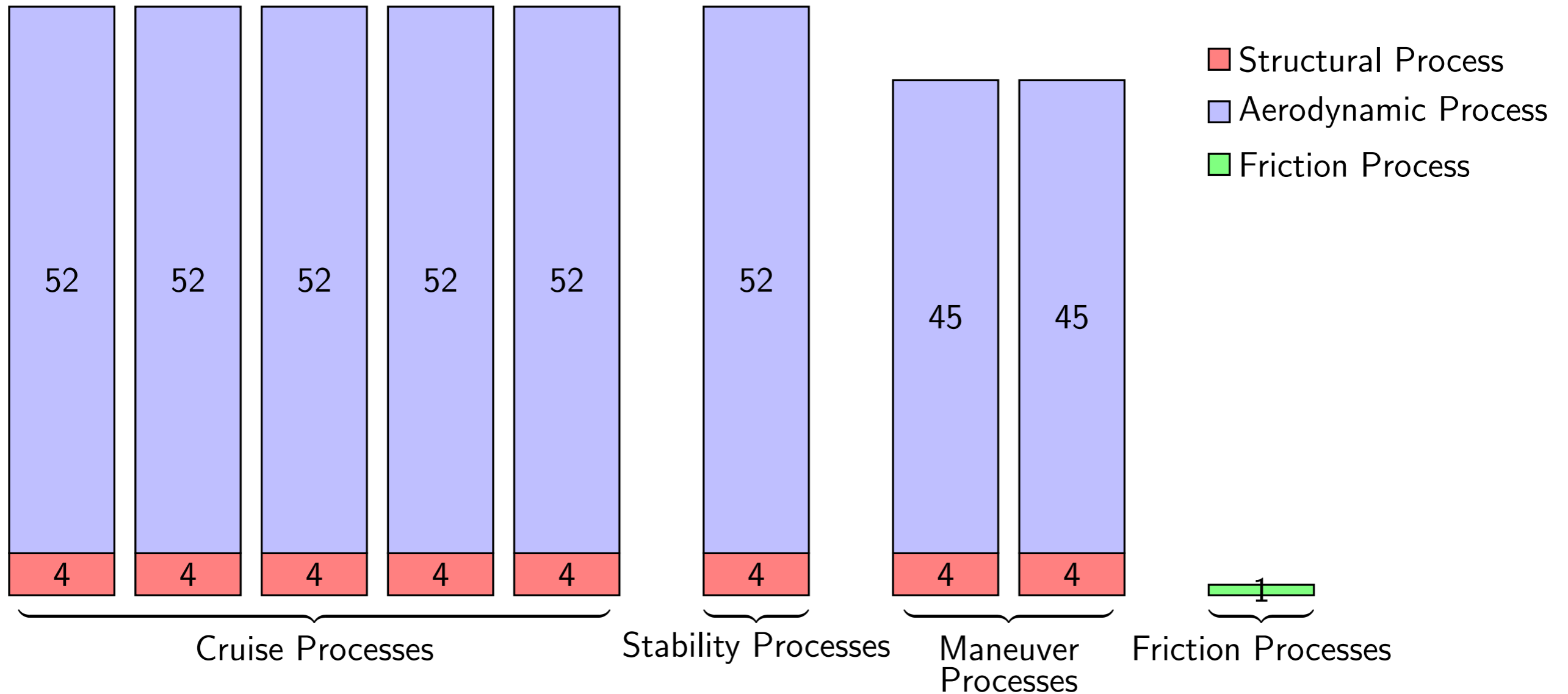
- A variety of geometric constraints are required to produce physically realistic designs
- Lift and moment constraints at each cruise and maneuver condition
- Three Kreisselmeier–Steinhauser (KS) yield stress constraint aggregation functions each maneuver condition

Geometric/target constraints				Aerodynamic constraints				Structural constraints				
Description		Quantity		Description		Quantity		Description		Quantity		
$t_{LE}/t_{LE_{init}}$	\geq	1.0	11	$(L - W)_{cruise}$	$=$	0.0	5	2.5 g Lower skin: <i>KS</i>	\leq	1.0	1	
$t_{TE}/t_{TE_{init}}$	\geq	1.0	11	$C_{m_y}_{cruise}$	$=$	0.0	5	2.5 g Upper skin: <i>KS</i>	\leq	1.0	1	
A/A_{init}	\geq	1.0	1	$(L - W)_{Manvr.}$	$=$	0.0	2	2.5 g Rib/spars: <i>KS</i>	\leq	1.0	1	
V/V_{init}	\geq	1.0	1	$C_{m_y}_{Manvr.}$	$=$	0.0	2	1.3 g Lower skin: <i>KS</i>	\leq	0.42	1	
$t_{TE\ Spar}$	\geq	0.20	5	Cruise K_n	\geq	0.15	1	1.3 g Upper skin: <i>KS</i>	\leq	1.0	1	
$t_{tip}/t_{tip_{init}}$	\geq	0.5	5					1.3 g Rib/spars: <i>KS</i>	\leq	1.0	1	
MAC-MAC*	$=$	0.0	1									
$X_{CG} - X_{CG}^*$	$=$	0.0	1									
Total			36	Total			15	Total			6	
										Grand total		57

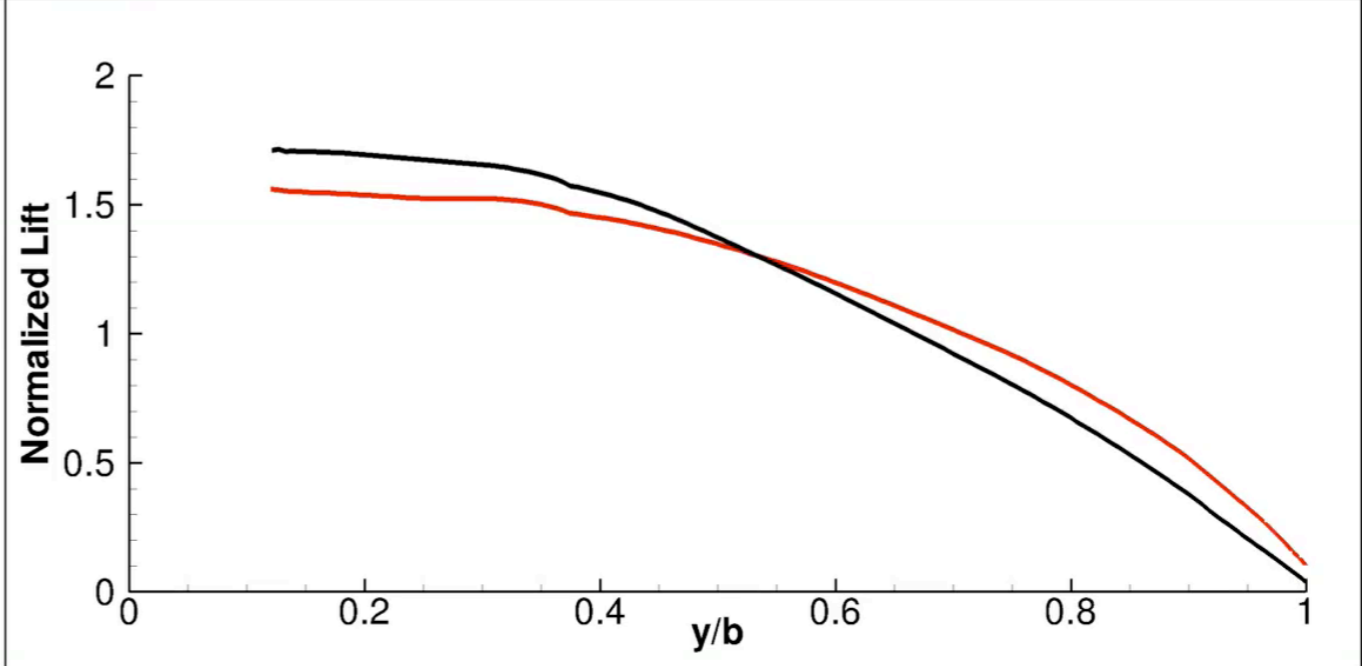
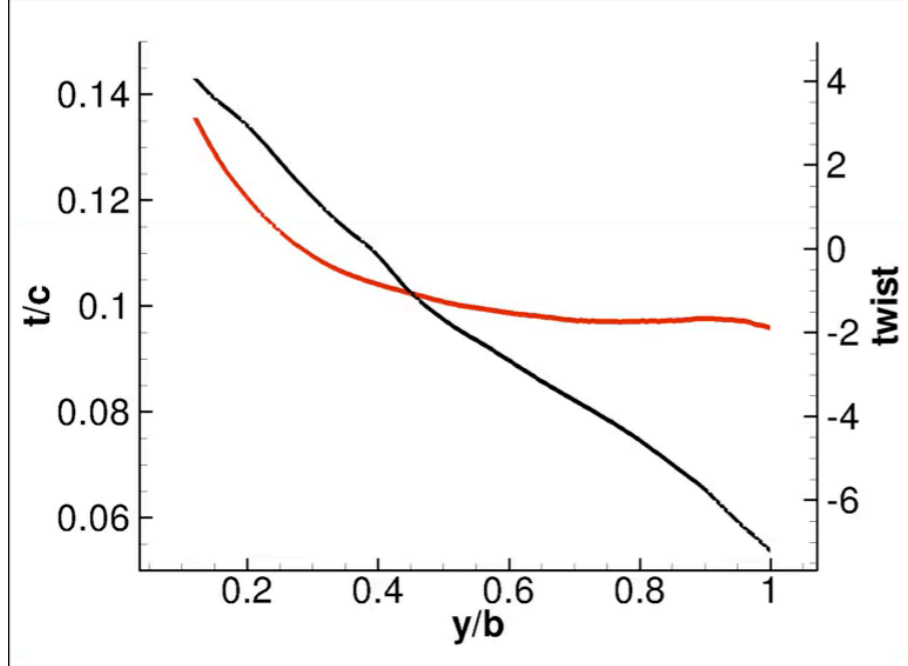
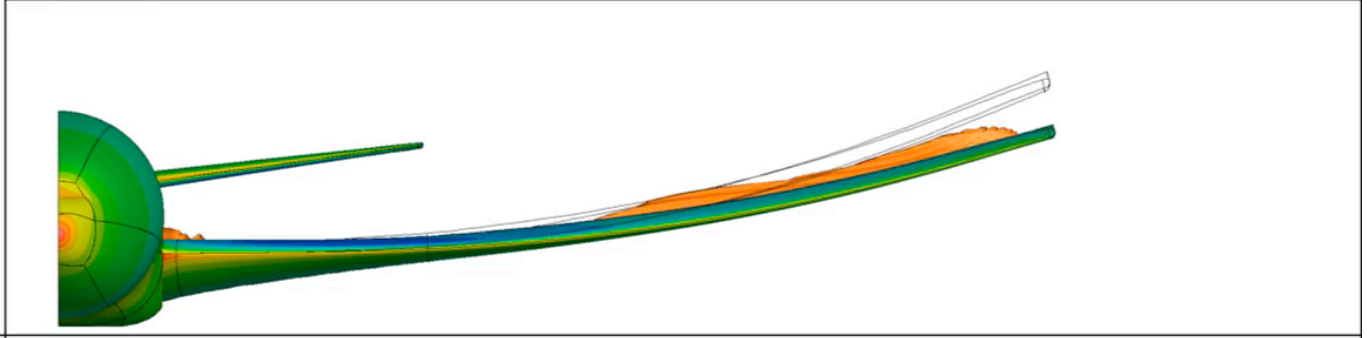
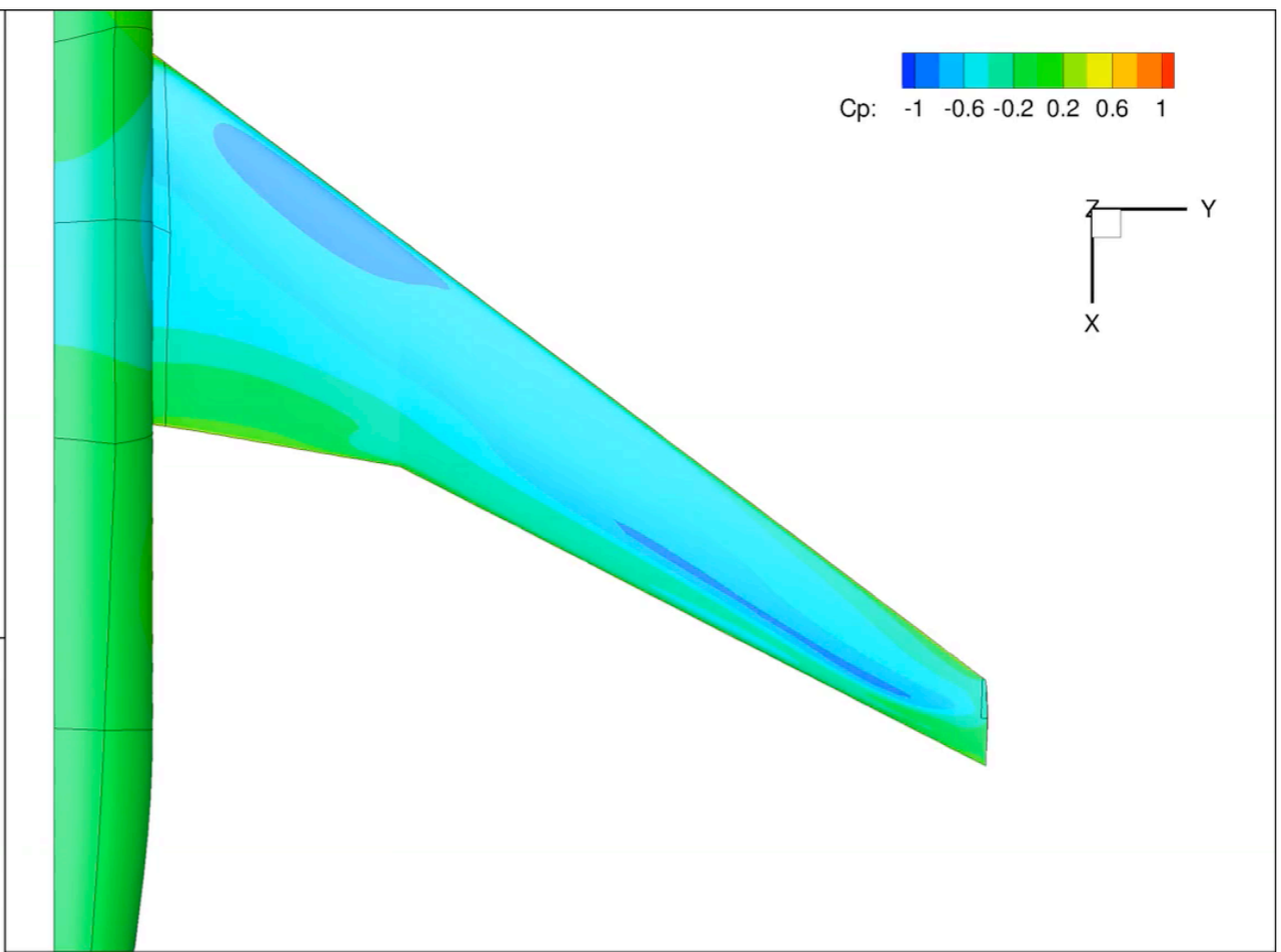
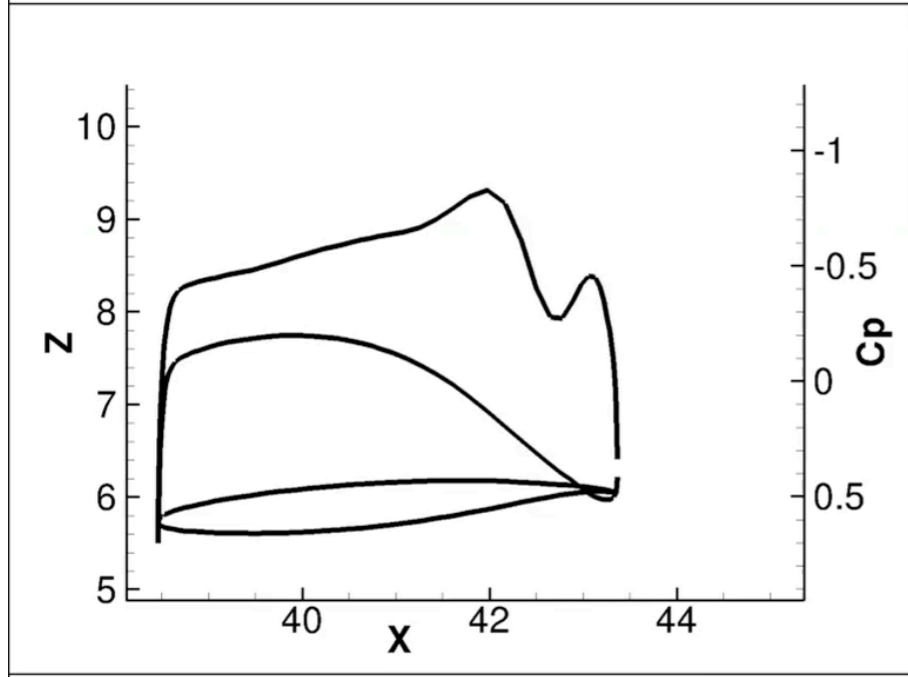
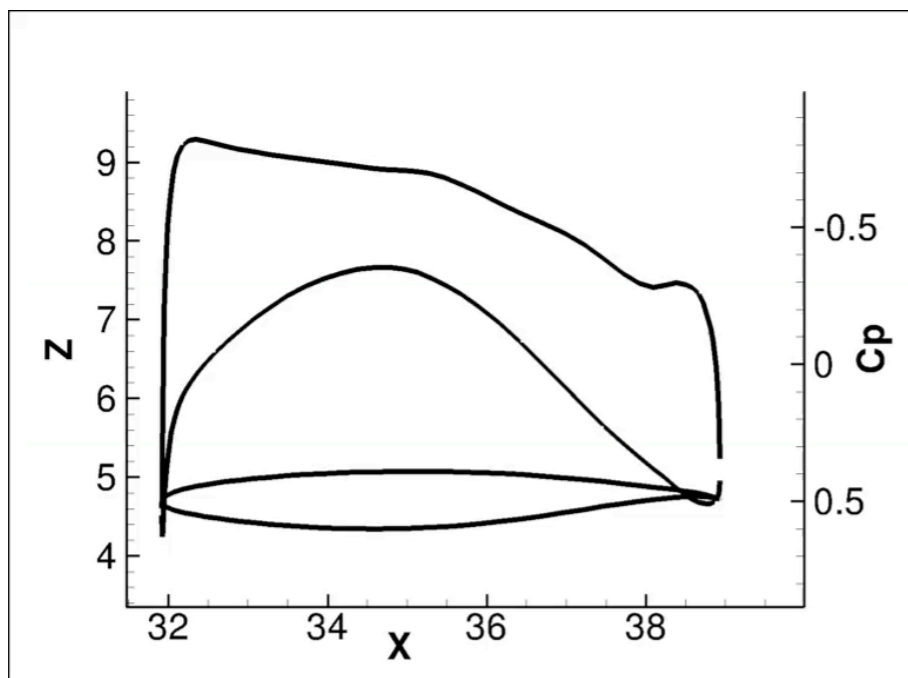
Don't forget the fuel!



Parallelize, and then parallelize some more



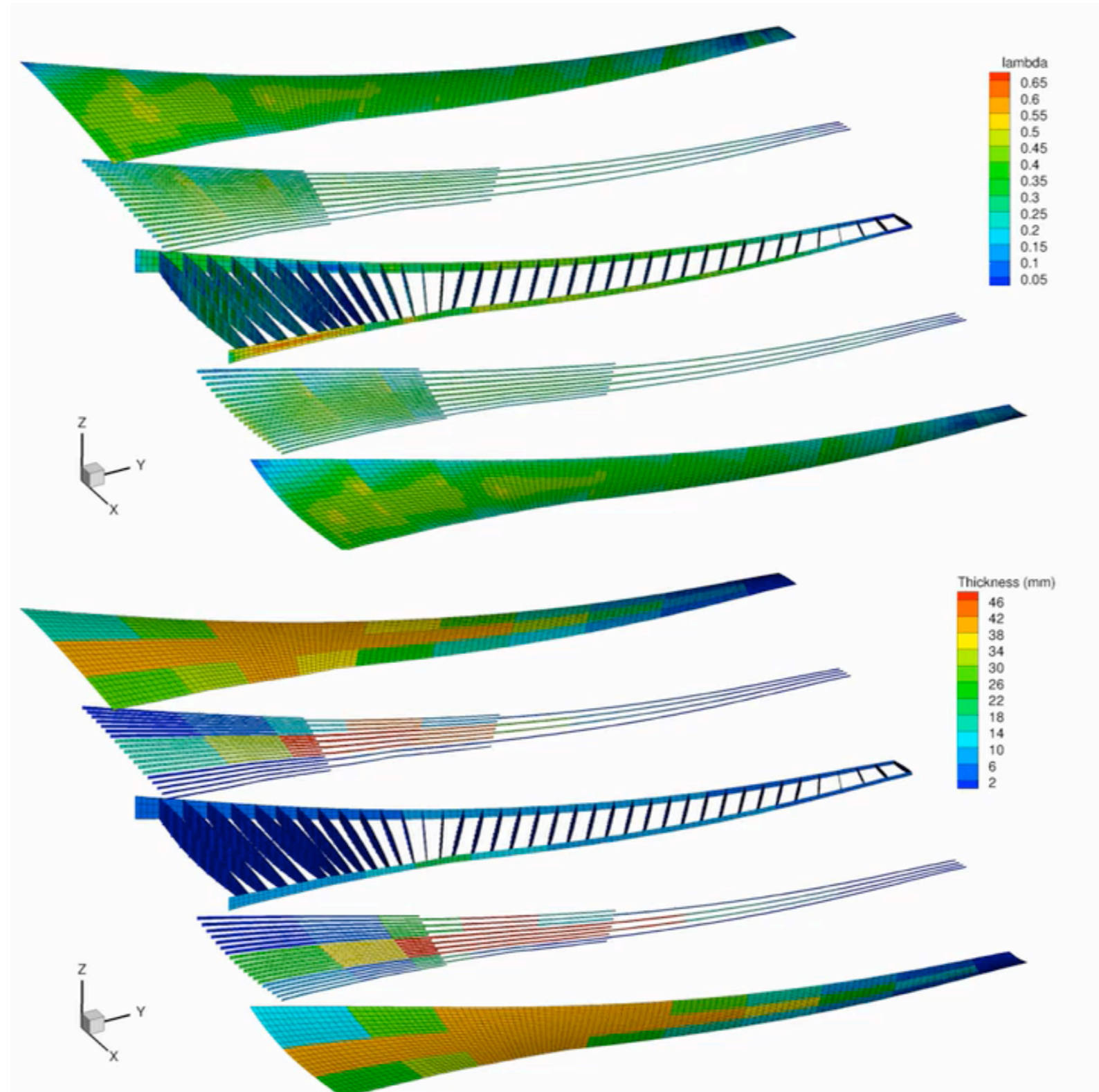
Total: 435 processors



[Click here to see the video](#)

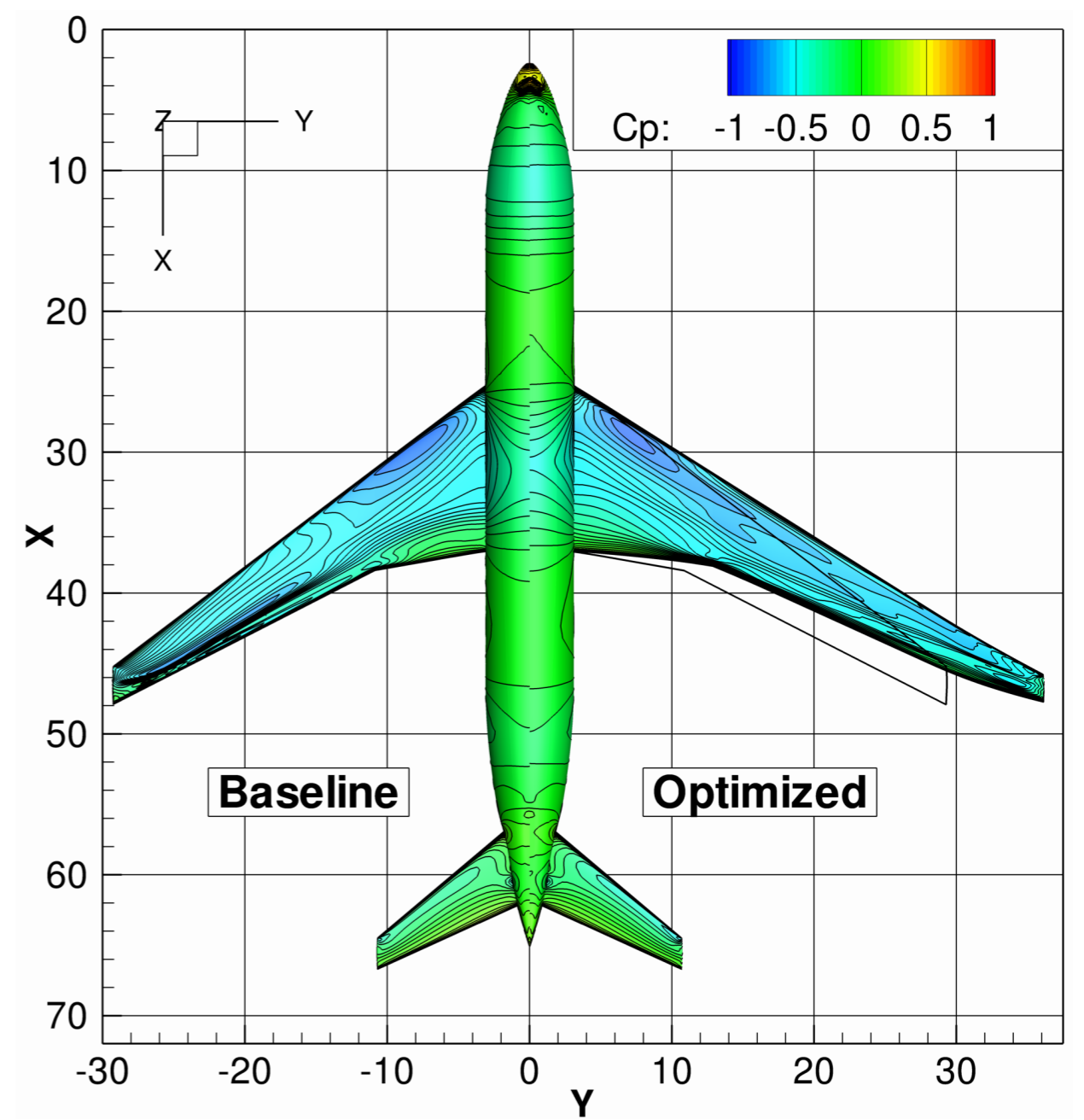
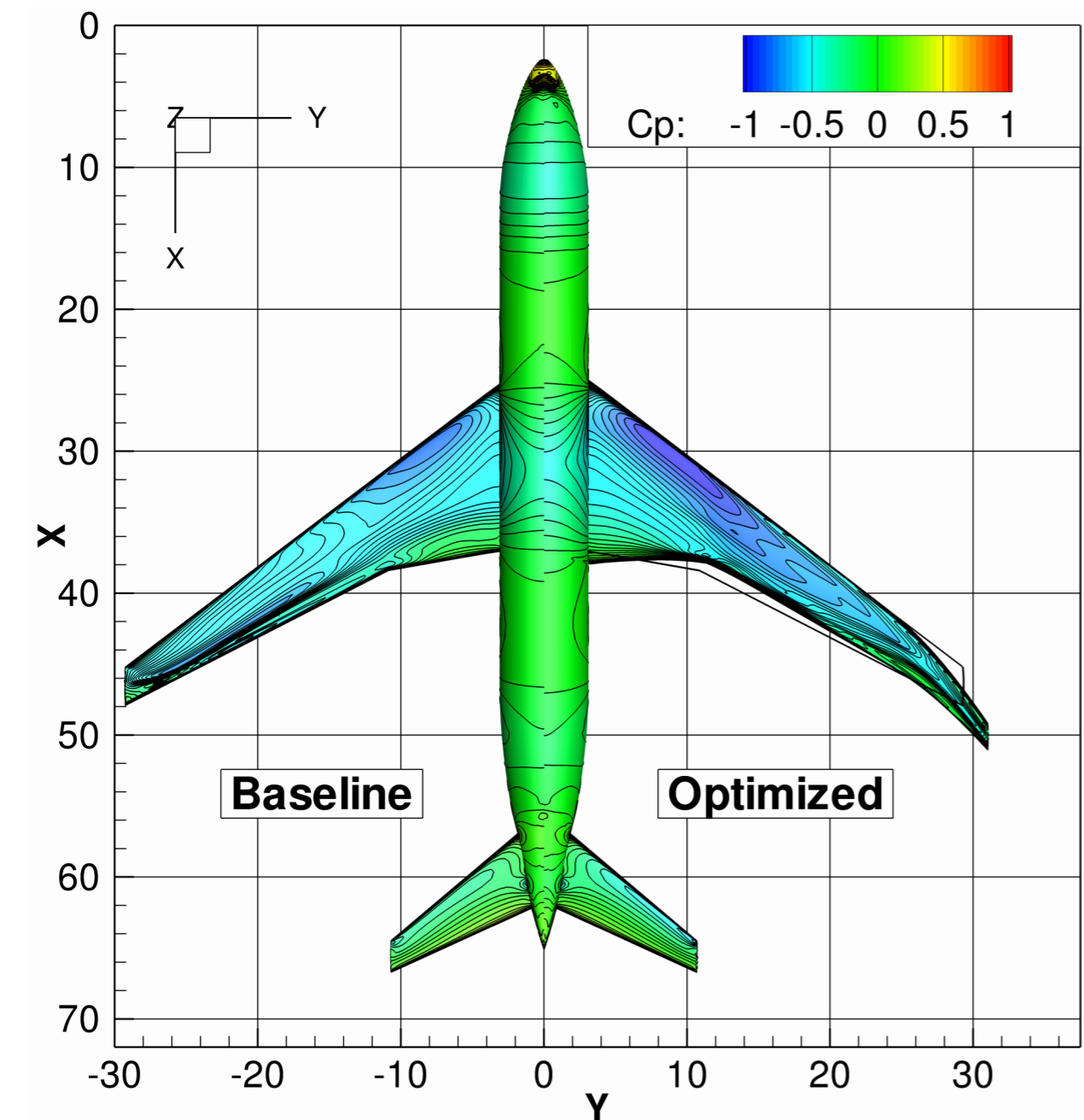
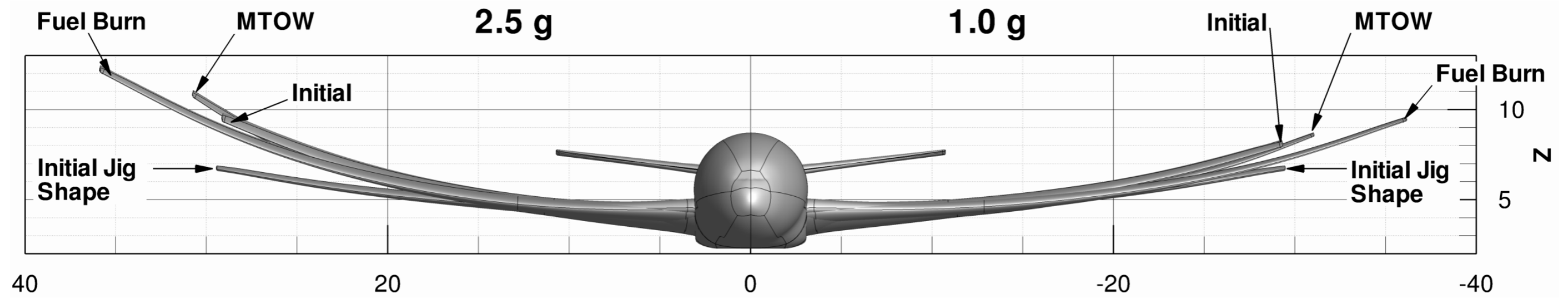
Let's see what
happened when we
minimized the TOGW...

At the same time, under the skin, the structural sizing processors did their job



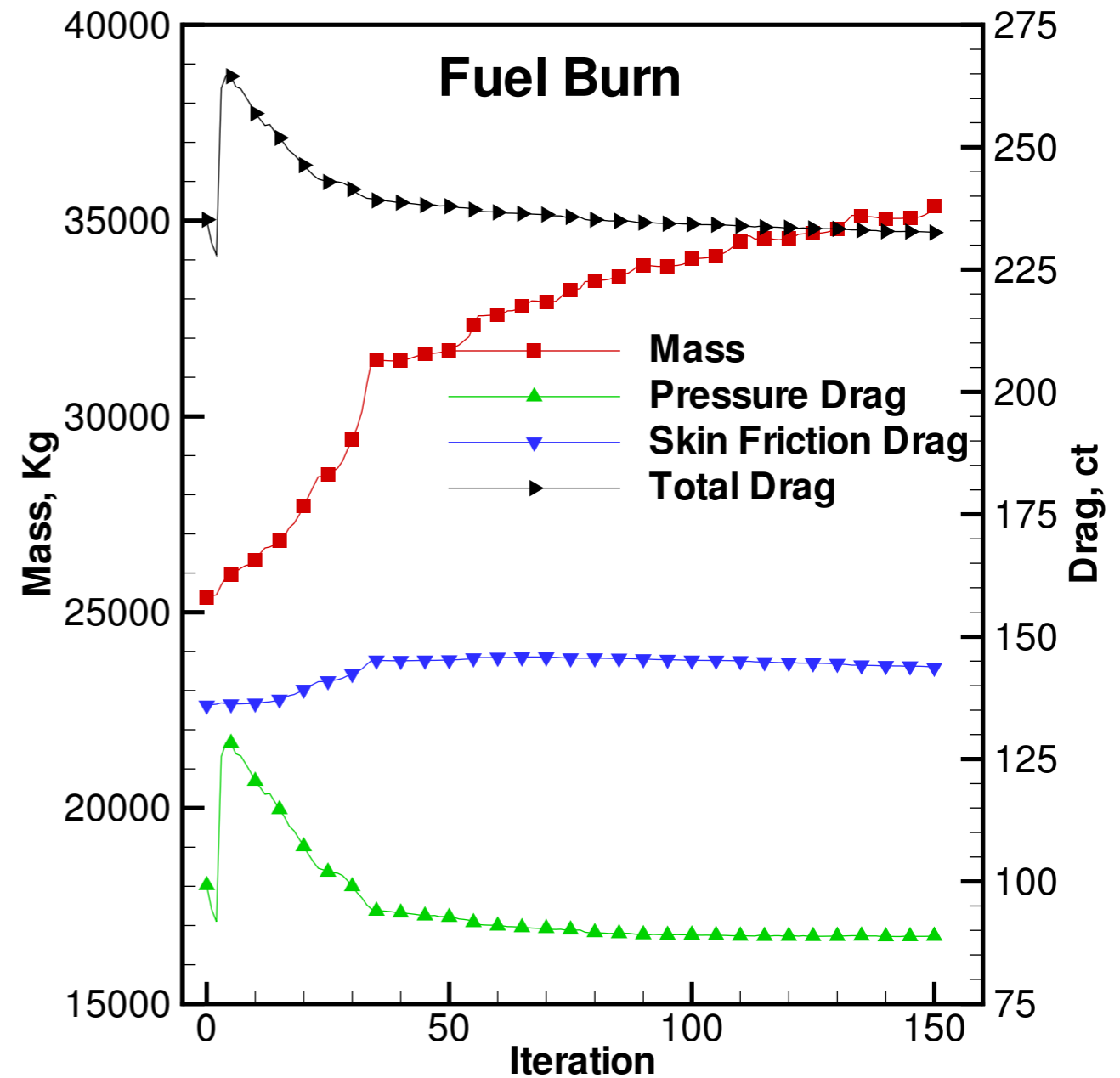
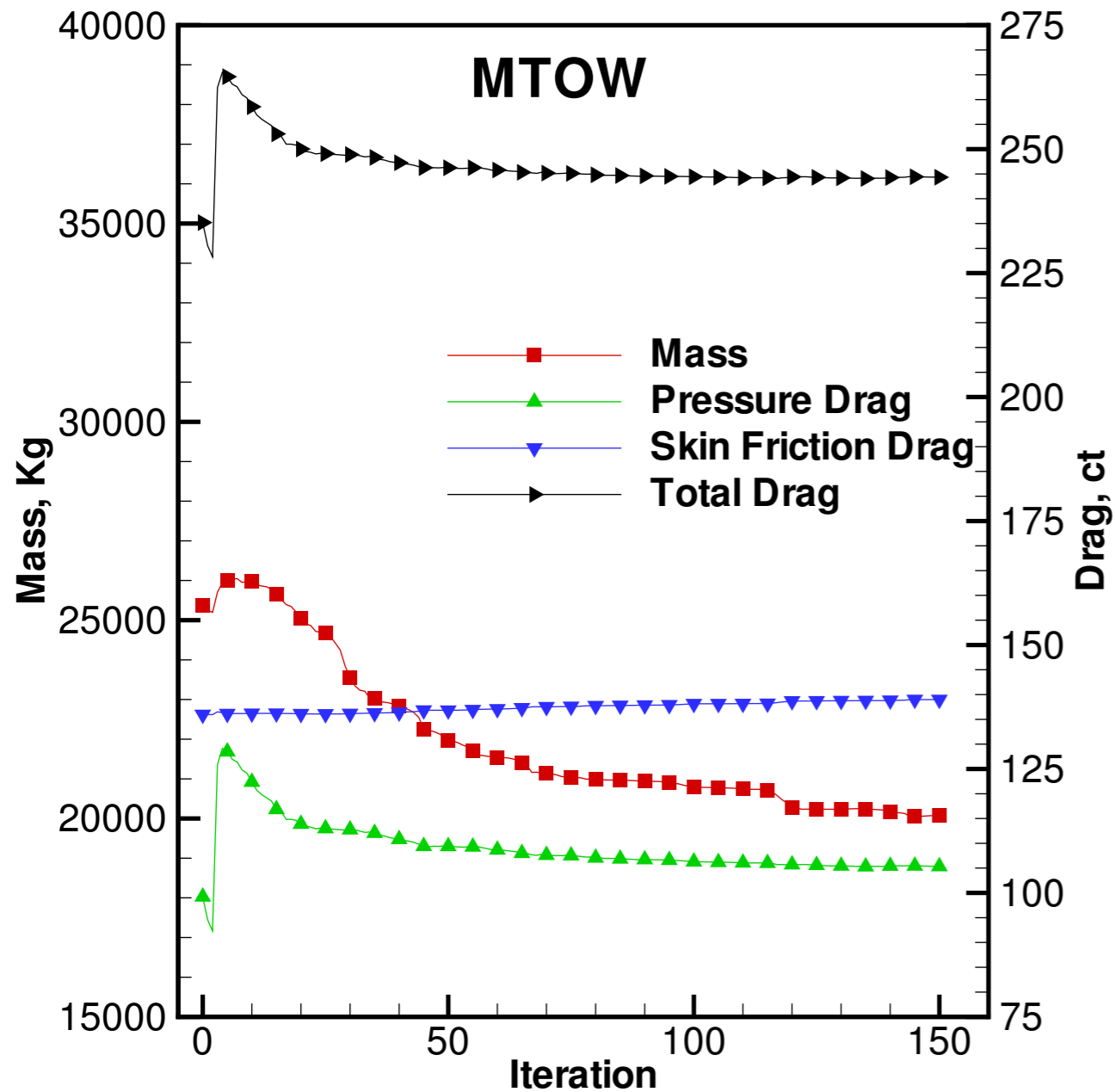
Let's compare this
result with a fuel burn
minimization...

...with custom visualization!



[Kenway, Kennedy and Martins, AIAA SDM 2012]

The tale of two objective functions

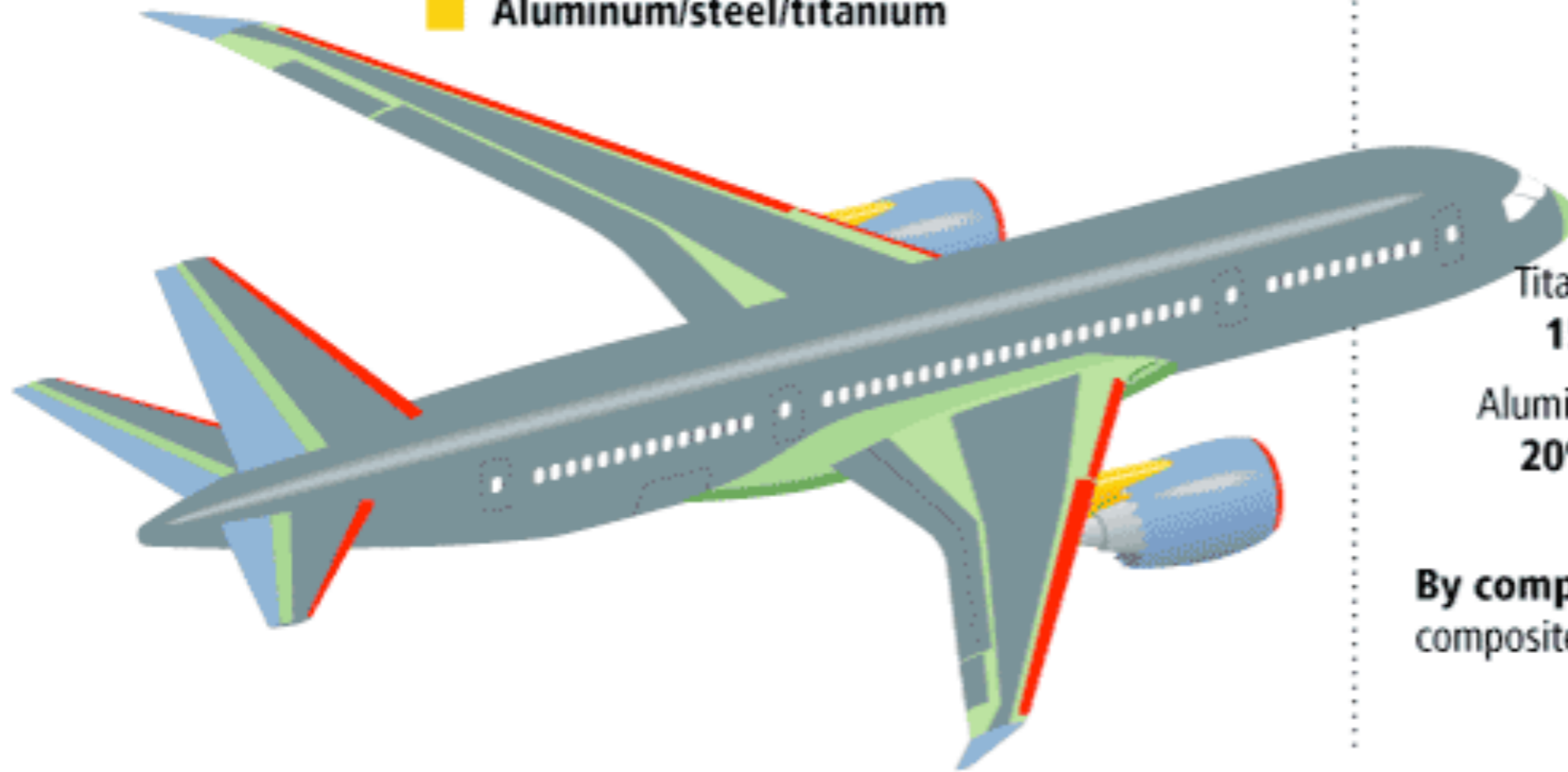


Composites

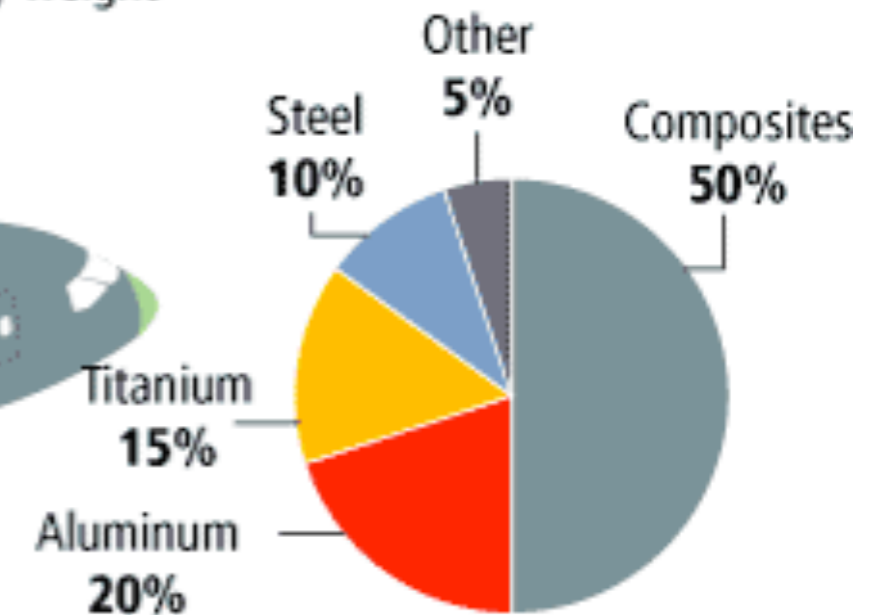
I have just one
word for you:

It's taken decades, but composites finally made it to commercial airplanes

Materials used in 787 body

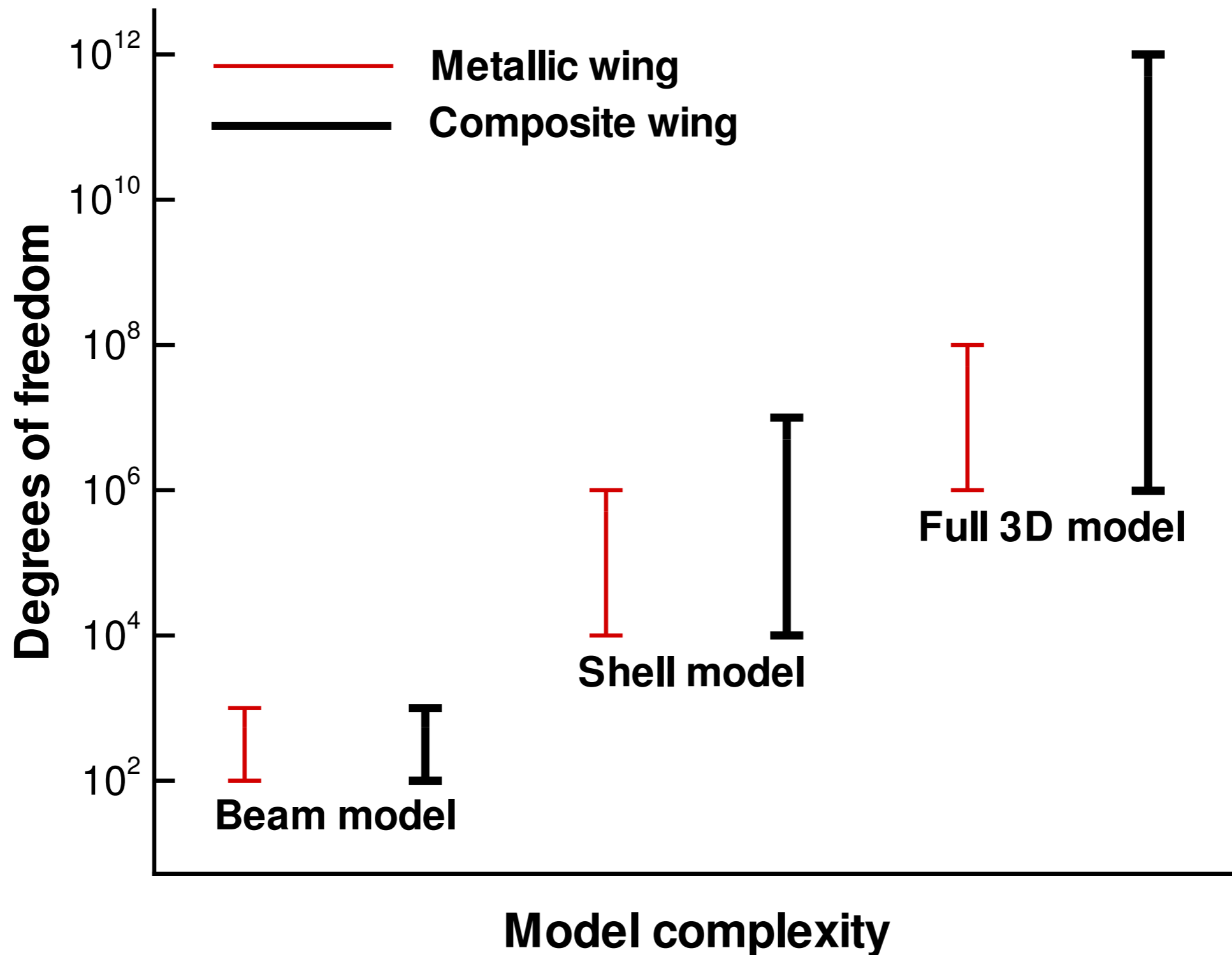


Total materials used By weight



By comparison, the 777 uses 12 percent composites and 50 percent aluminum.

Step aside CFD; meet the new CPU hog



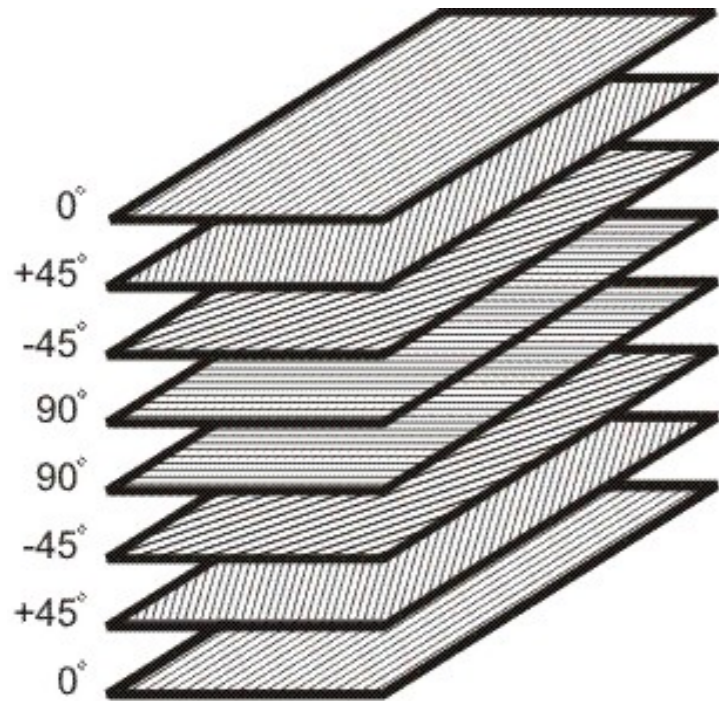
How to tackle 10^{75} possible lamination sequences

Lamination sequence design:

- Determine a sequence of lamination angles $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n\}$ to optimize structural performance

Issues:

- Available ply angles may be limited to a discrete set of values, $\Theta = \{-45^\circ, 0^\circ, 45^\circ, 90^\circ\}$
- Parametrization should handle design for strength, buckling and stiffness
- Constrain lamination sequence: matrix cracking



Common approaches:

- Genetic algorithms
- Discrete material optimization (DMO) – a SIMP-type method

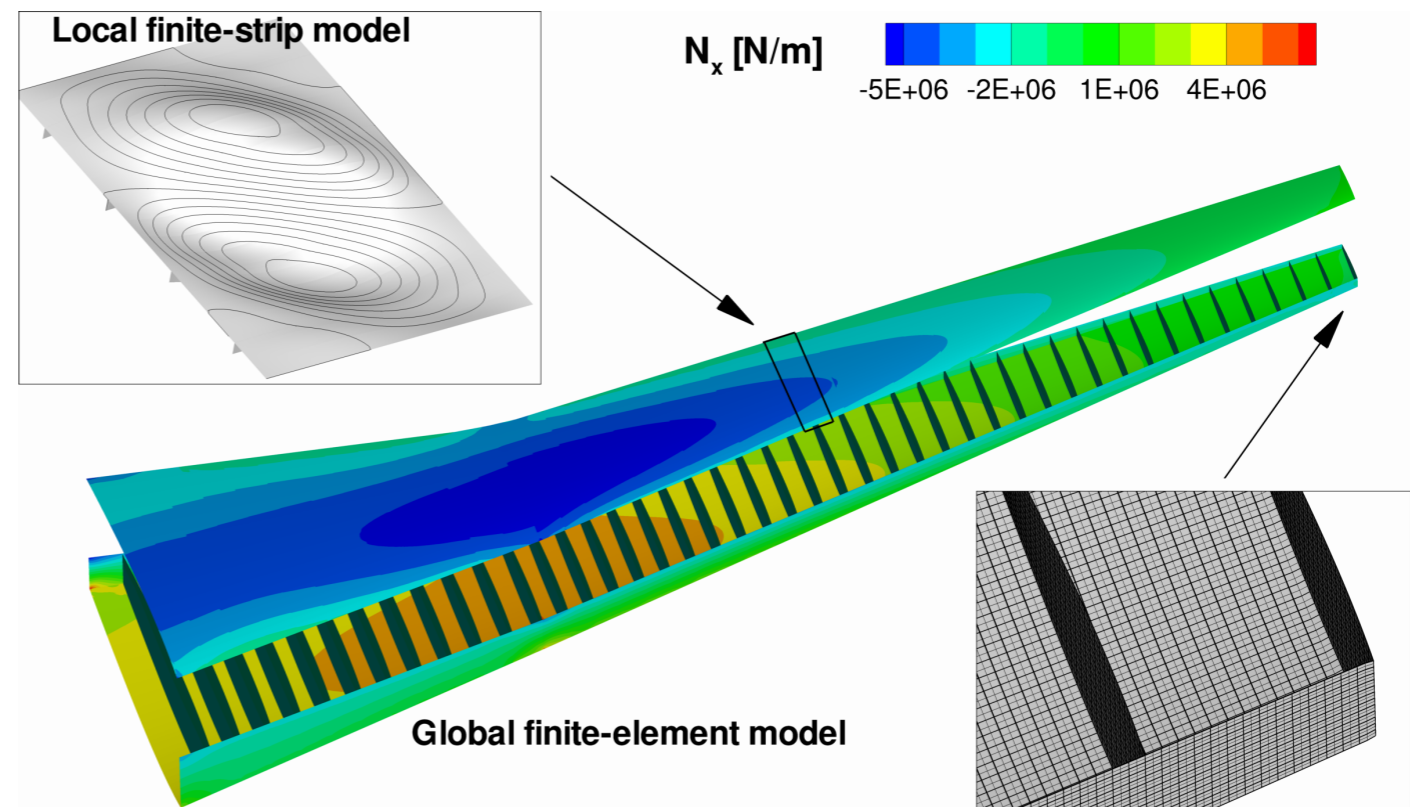
Our proposed approach:

- Use continuous design variable weights for a discrete set of angles
- Use gradient-based optimization so we can handle large problems

Also developed a global-local approach for wing box optimization

- 1 Initial sizing: mass-minimization using structural thicknesses, stiffener geometry and lamination parameters
- 2 Layup design using the proposed parametrization technique: maximize load factor with fixed stiffener geometry

- Approximate planform of a 777-200 wing
- Two maneuver conditions: 2.5g and -1g loads
- Global-local approach: local panel model with discrete stiffeners, global model with smeared stiffeners



- Global model contains 67 584, 3rd order MITC9 shell elements, with just over 1.6 million degrees of freedom
- 64 processors: function evaluation: 30s, gradient using adjoint: 45s

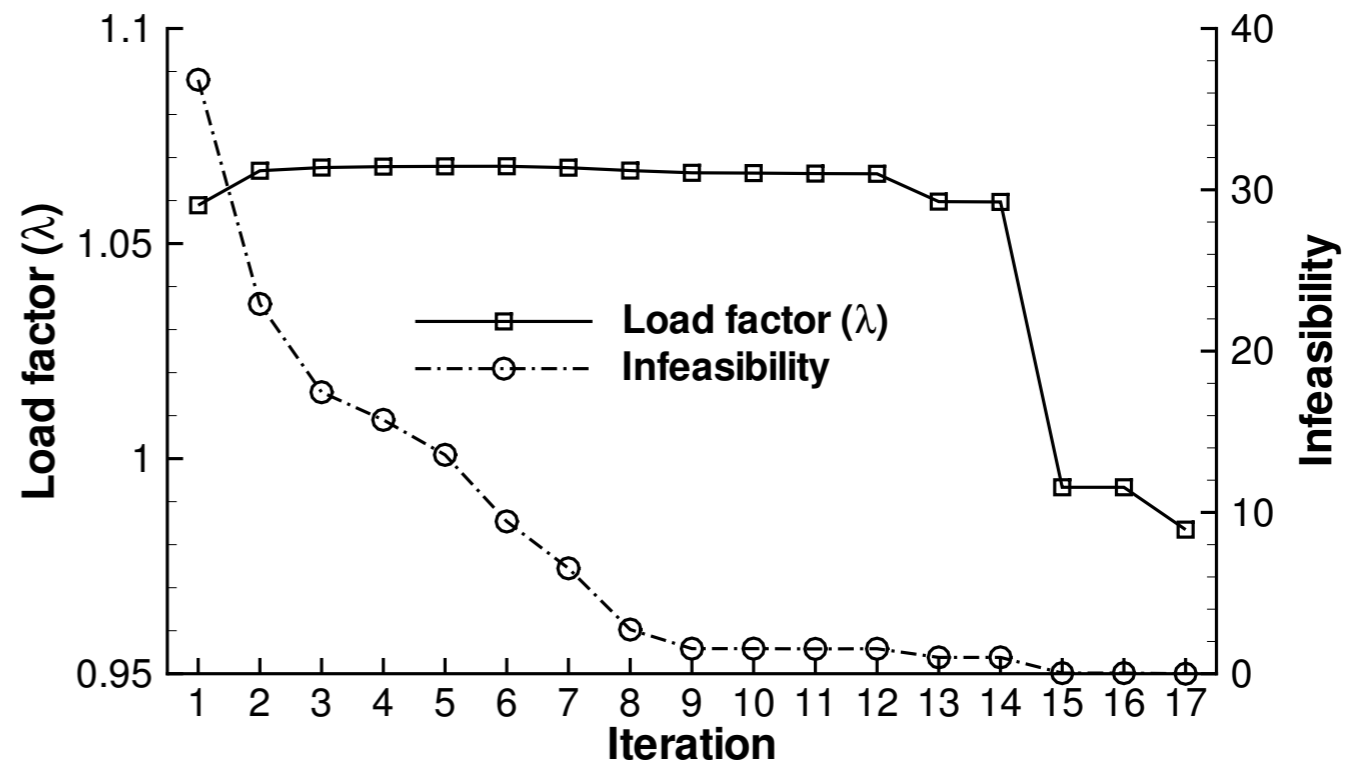
40 hours later... we have an optimum

Lamination sequence:

- Use a thick, guide laminate: changes in thickness accomplished by removing outer-most layers
- Group plies into 0_2° , $\pm 45^\circ$ and 90_2°
- No more than four contiguous 0° or 90° plies

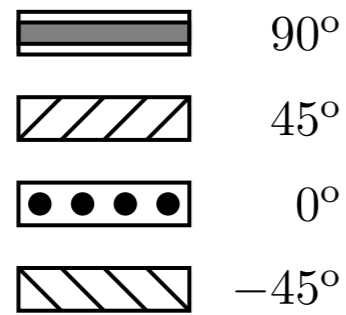
The design problem:

- 157 plies, 472 design variables
- 30 KS failure and 30 KS buckling constraints: 15 for each load case
- 298 contiguity constraints
- There are $3^{157} \approx 8 \times 10^{74}$ possible sequences
- Optimization time: 39 hours 53 minutes on 64 processors
- 3230 function evaluations, 1101 gradient evaluations

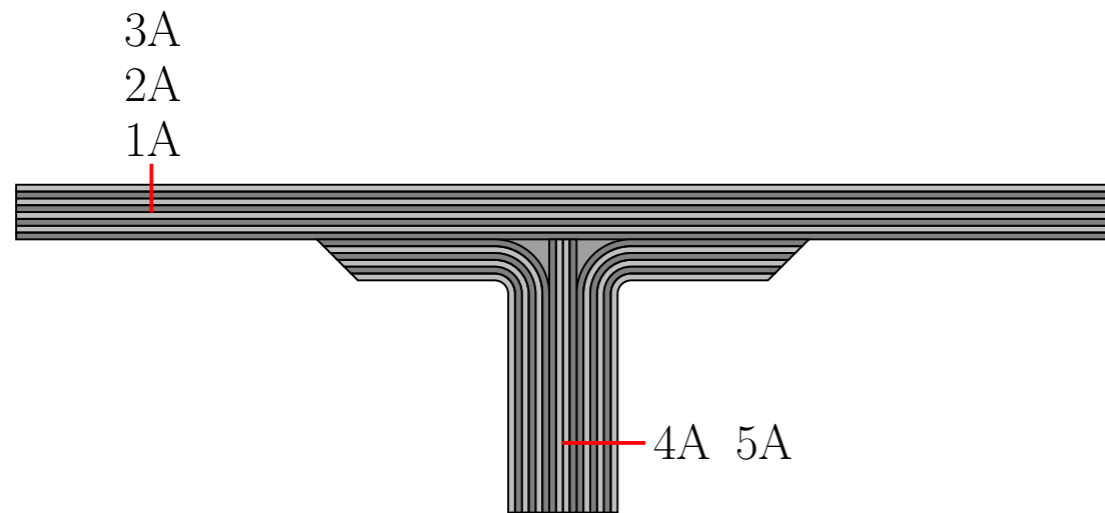


How these results stack up

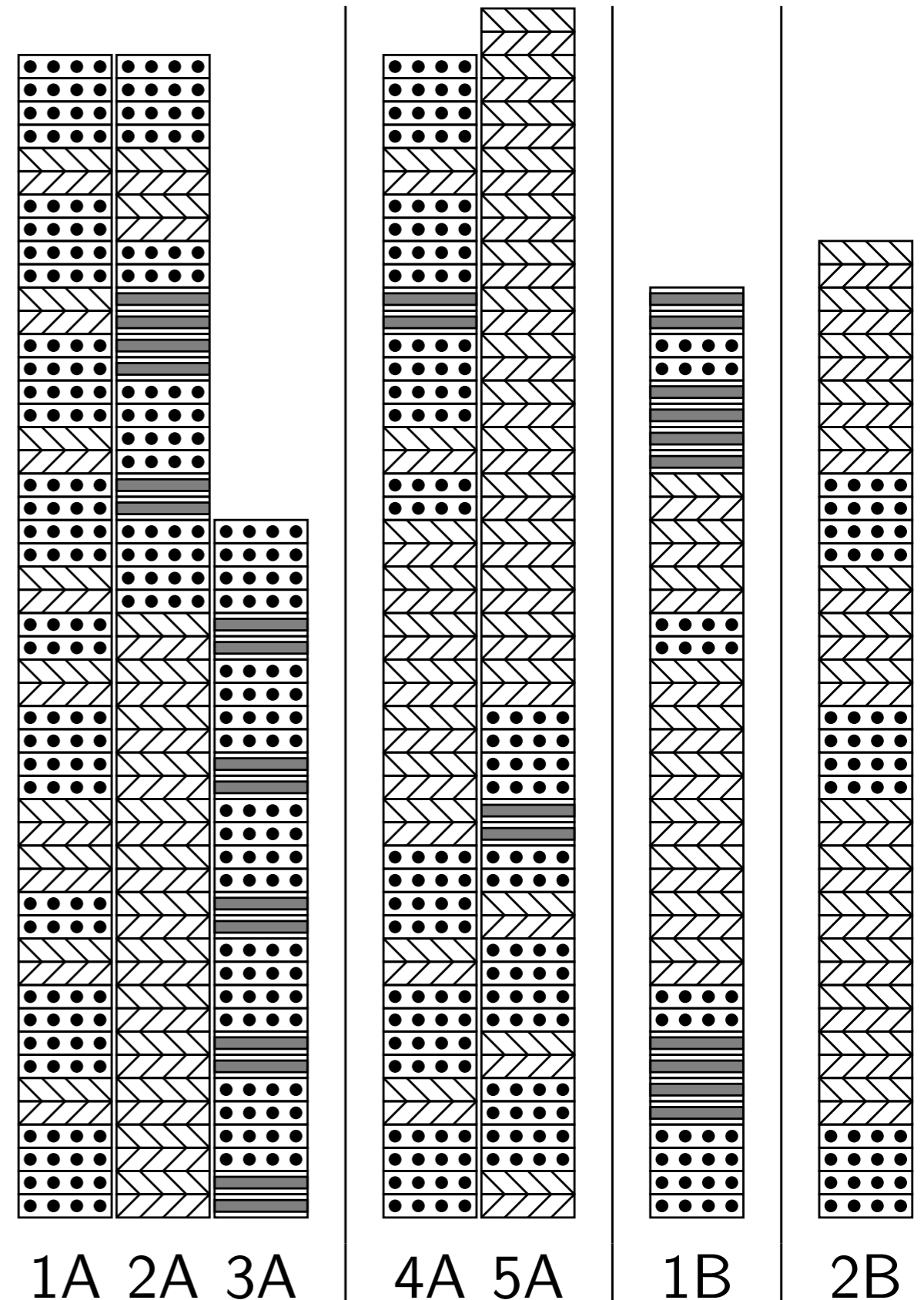
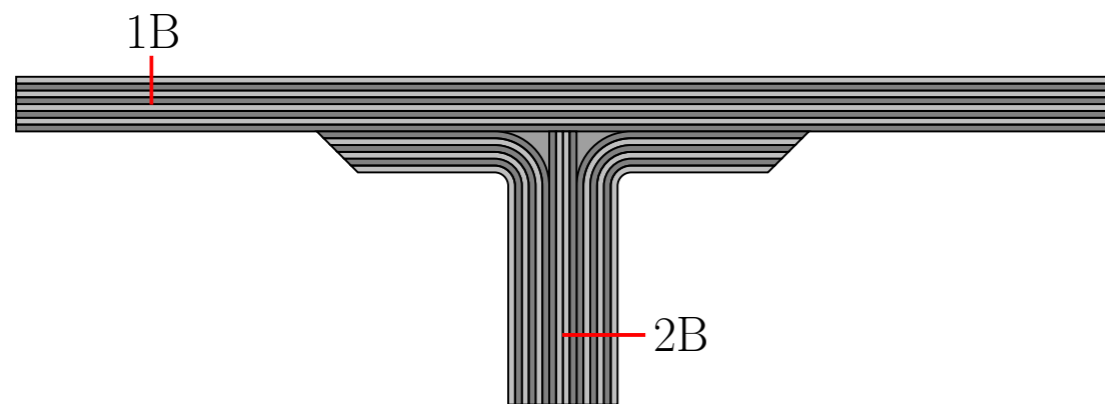
- Symmetric laminates: sequence from the middle to outer layer



Top skin layup



Bottom skin layup

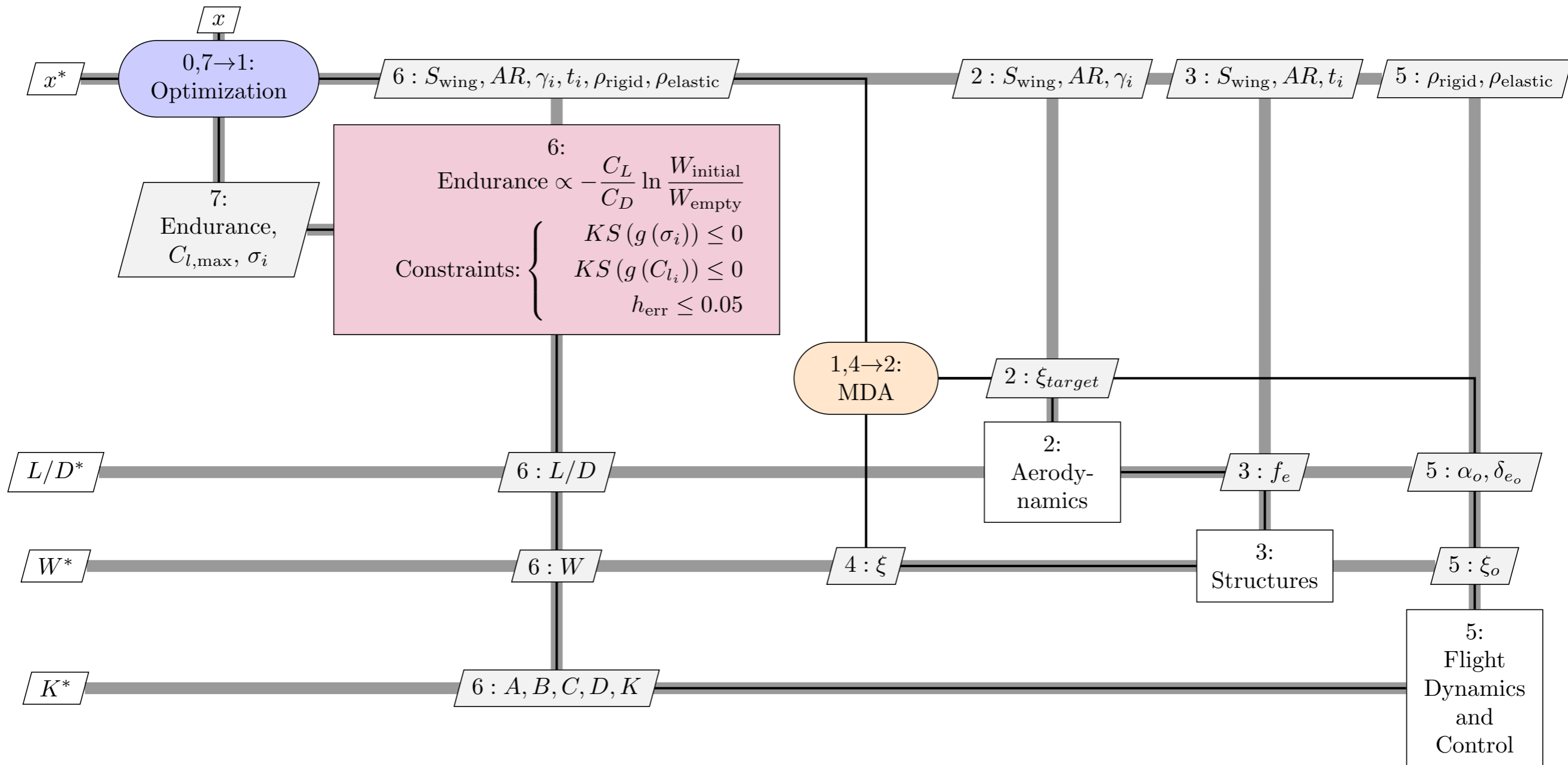


Why can't we just all work together?

Aerodynamic shape + Structural sizing + Control gains =

Aeroservoelastic Optimization

This aeroservoelastic optimization considers maneuver and gust loads

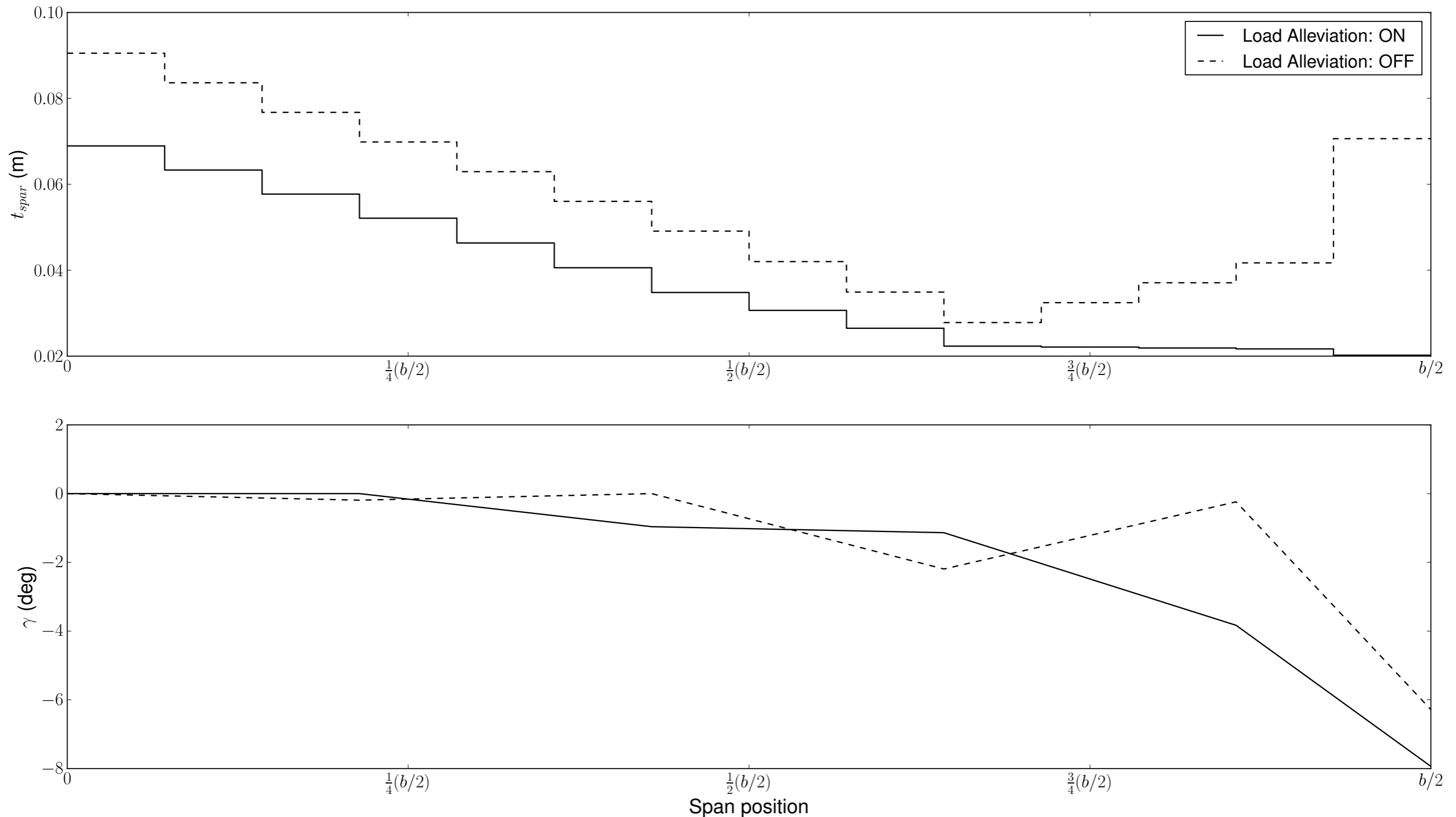


Aeroservoelastic optimum was significantly better than the aerostructural one...

Optimization results with and without load alleviation system.

Load alleviation	Off	On	
S_{ref} (m^2)	219.18	191.47	14.5% smaller
AR	13.98	14.03	
L/D	34.29	34.37	
q_{elastic}	1499.95	1499.88	
q_{rigid}	90.63	75.71	
Wing mass (kg)	13,378	7,817	41.5% lighter
Endurance factor	31.90	38.83	21.7% higher

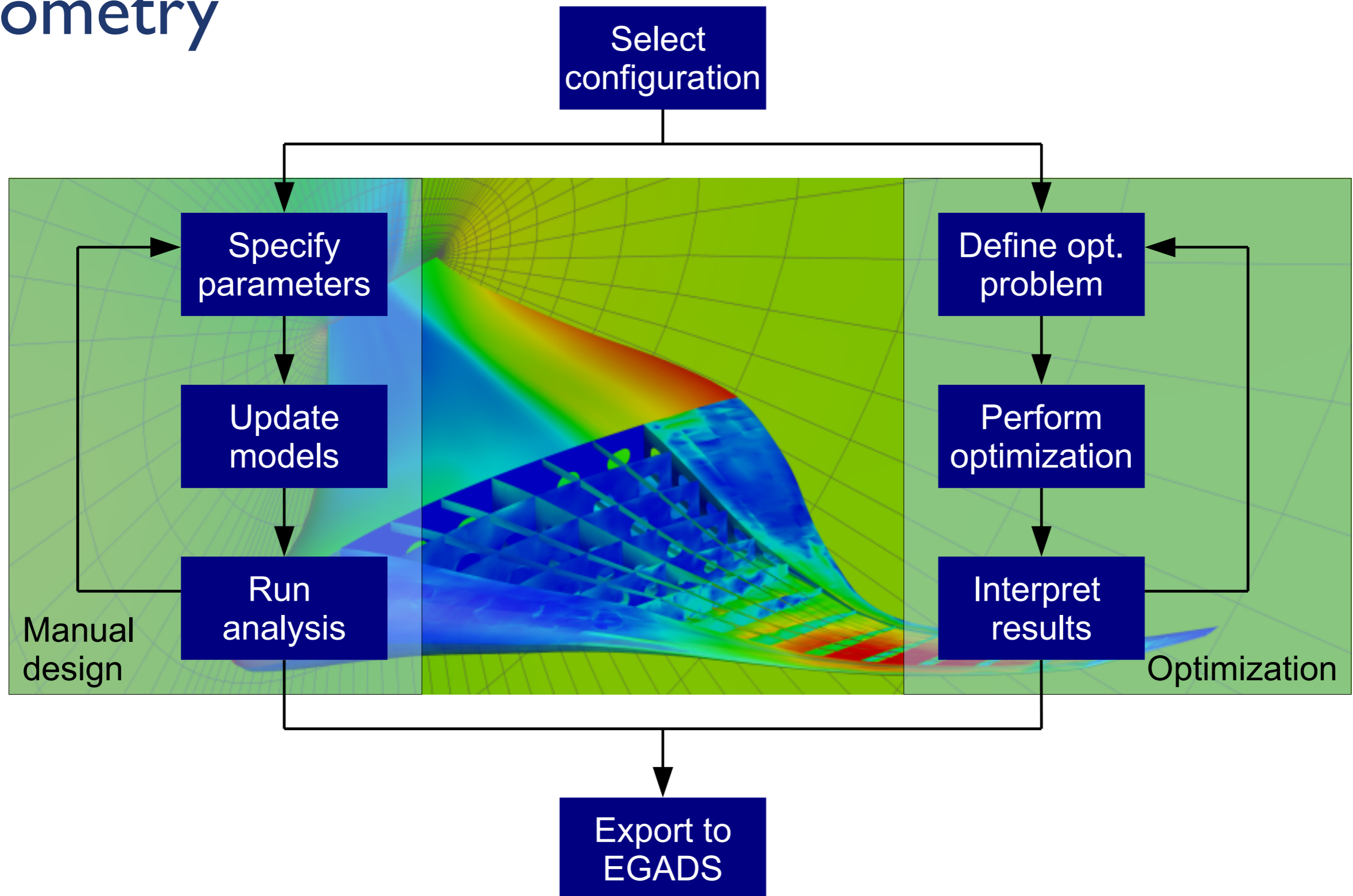
... but the aerostructural optimization found it's own way to alleviate loads



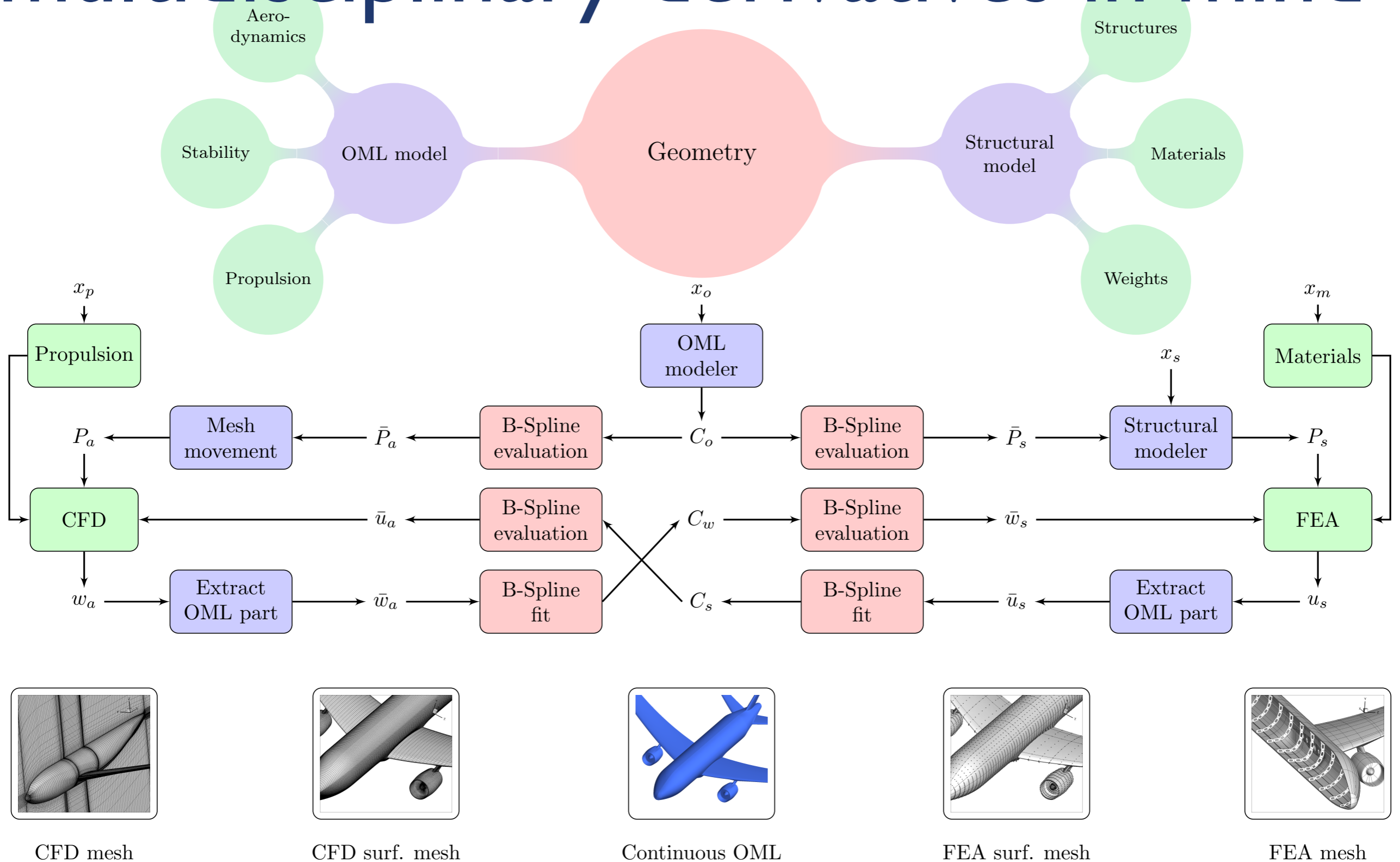
[Haghighat and Martins, *Journal of Aircraft*, 2012]

CAD-free
(but CAD-friendly)
Geometry

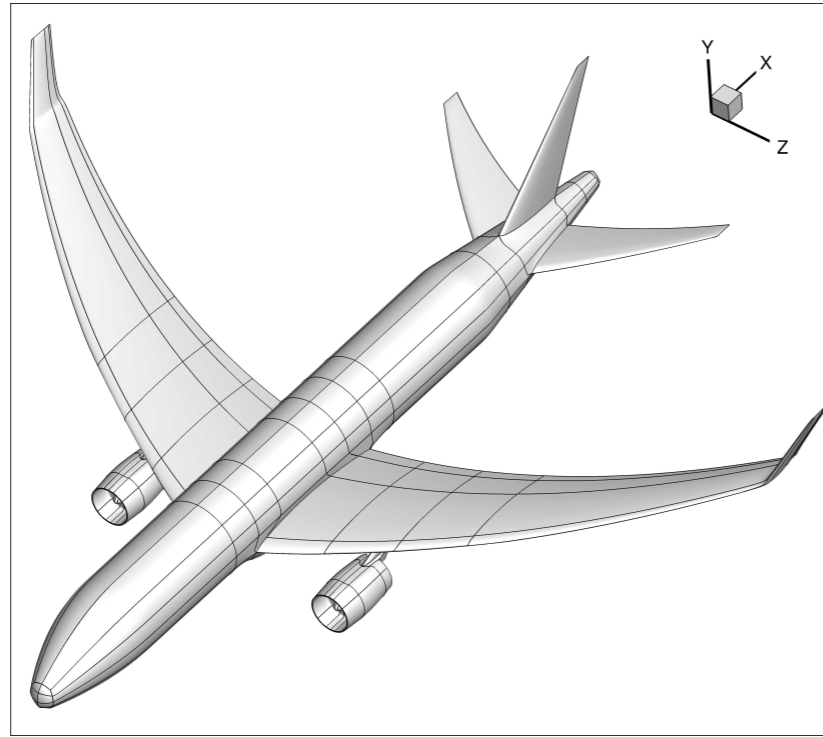
GeoMACH is a NASA-funded open-source project to handle parametric aircraft geometry



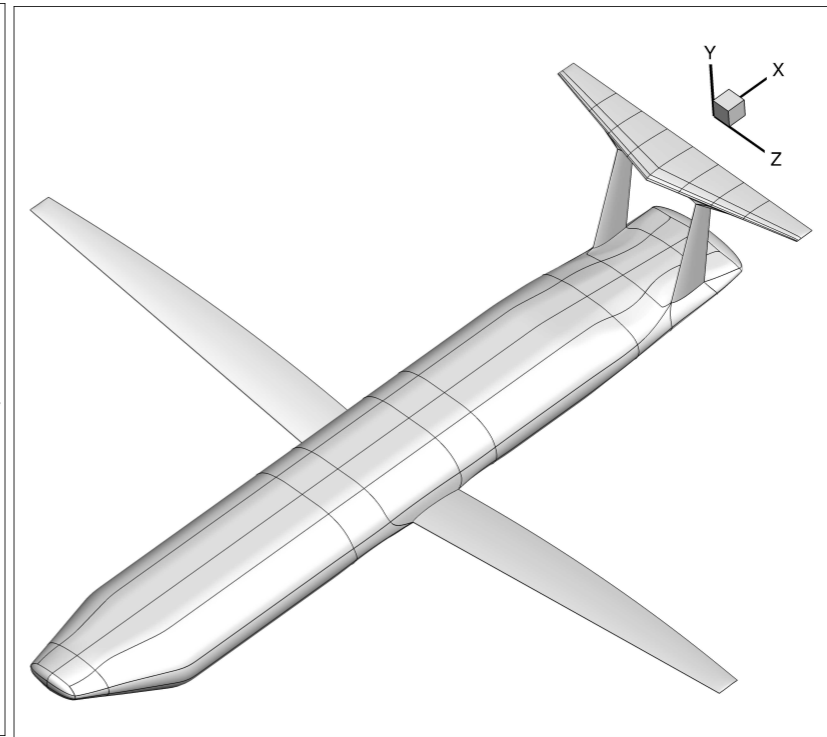
OML modeler developed with multidisciplinary derivatives in mind



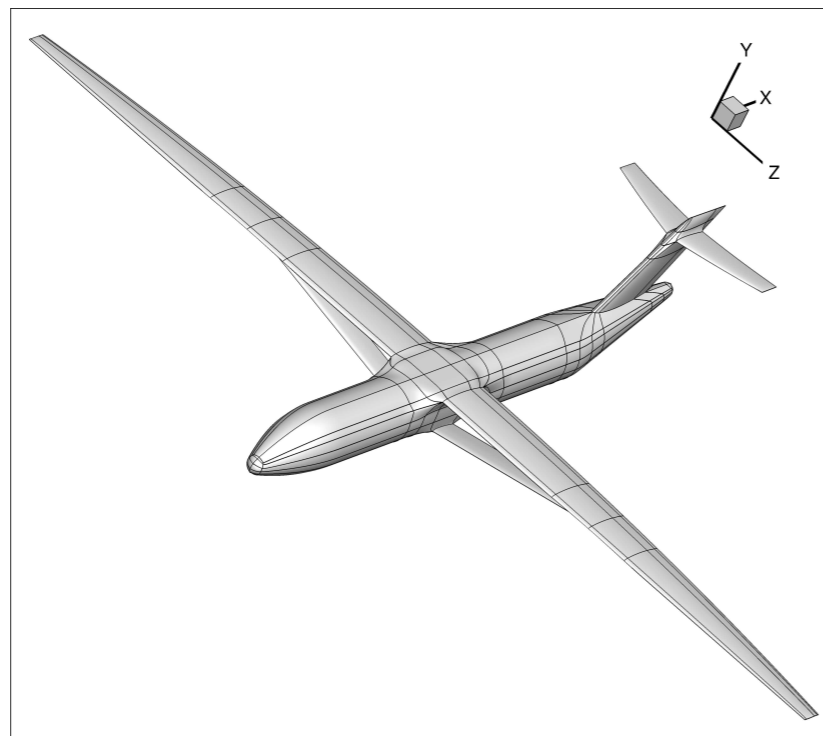
Parametric aircraft configurations can be created with 10–20 lines of code



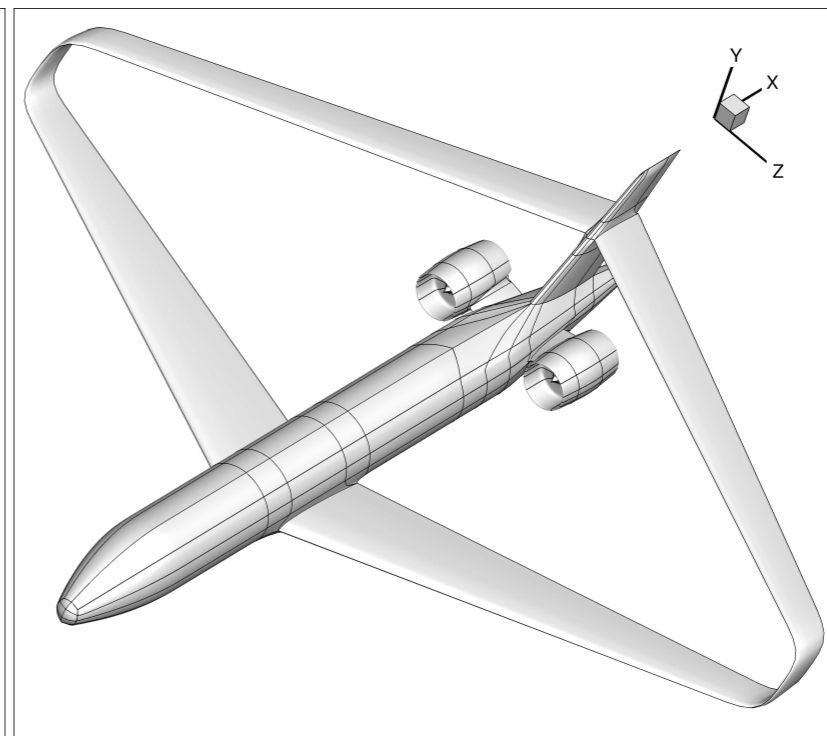
Conventional with winglets



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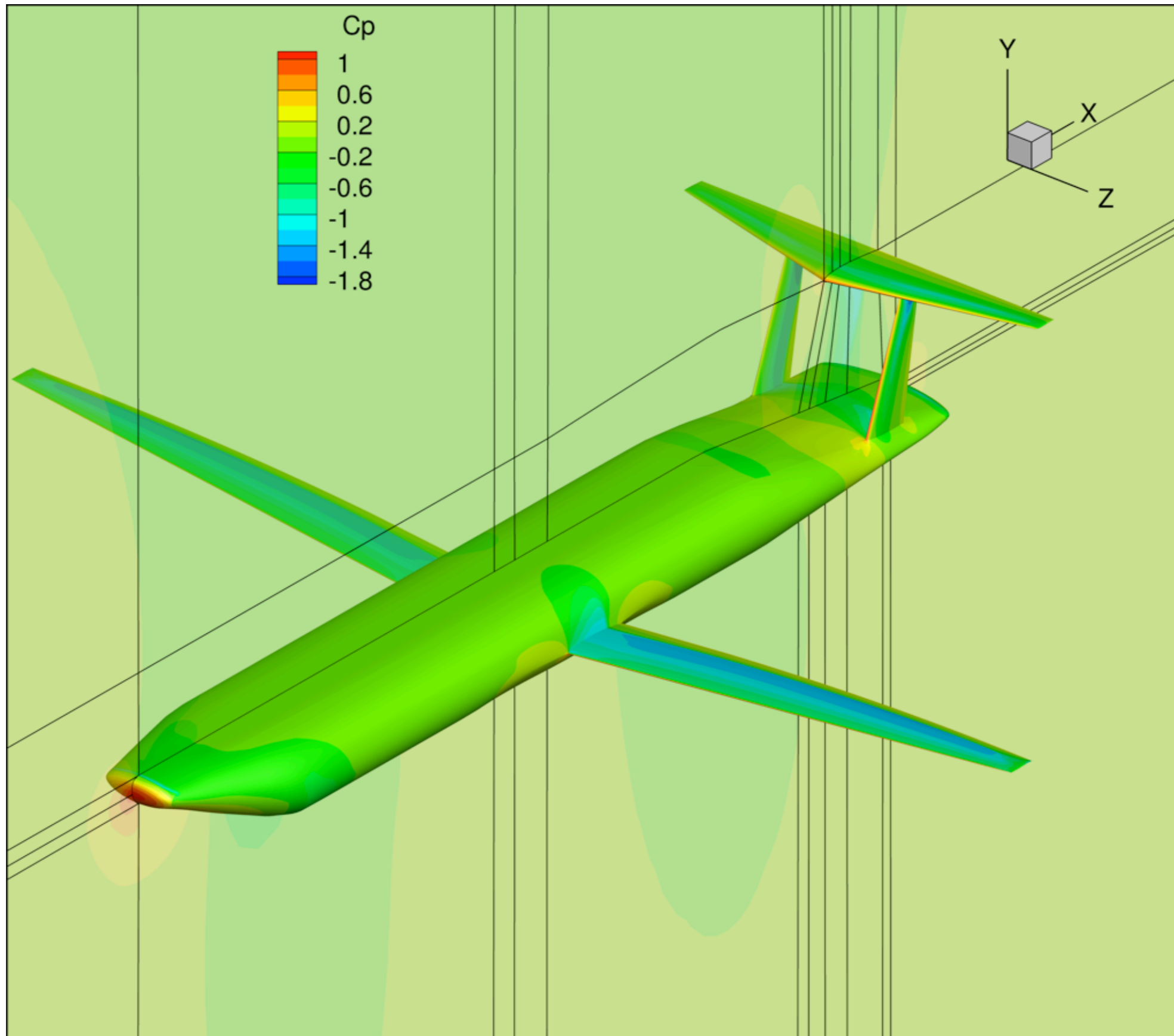


Strut-braced wing

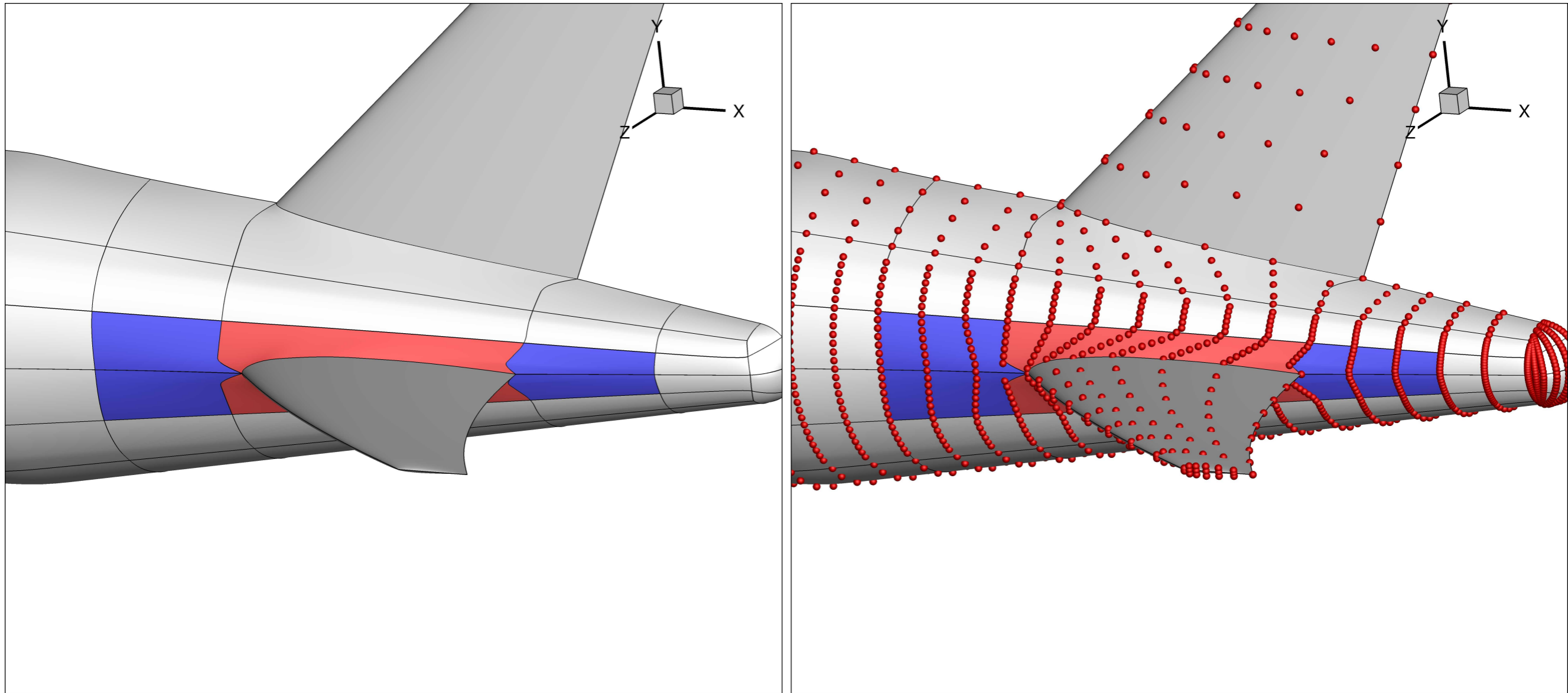


Joined wing

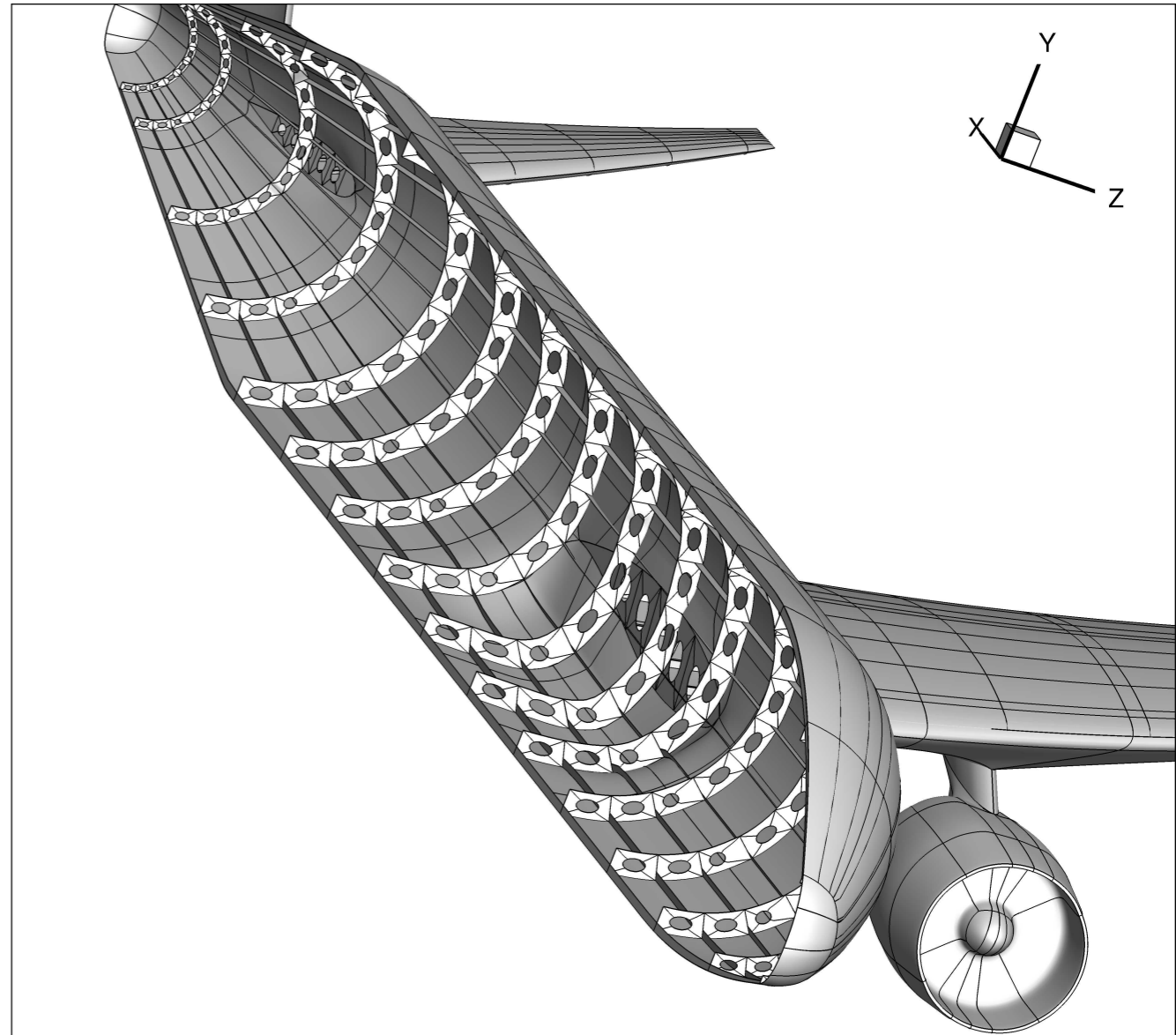
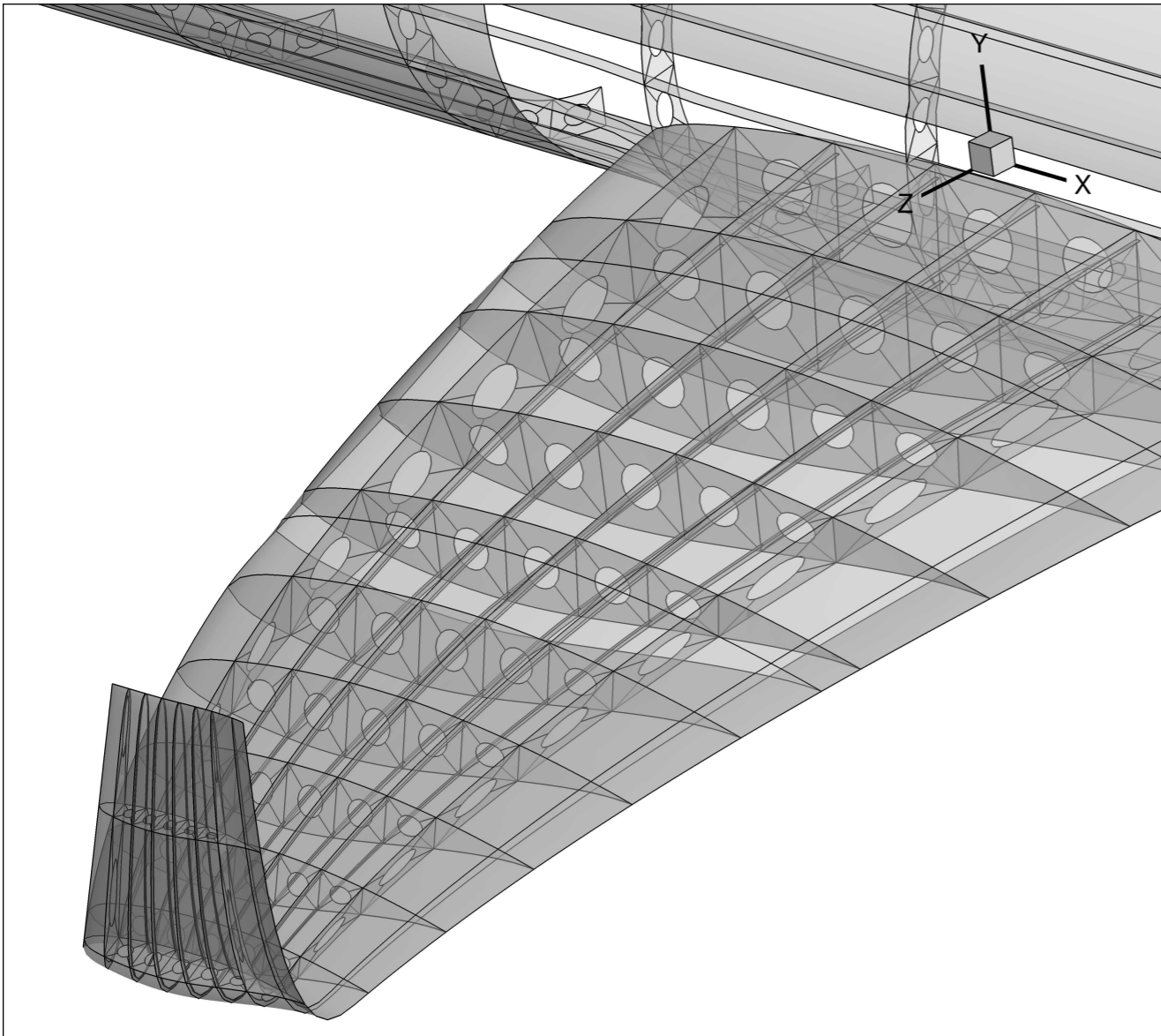
CFD grid for each configuration



The devil is in the junctions



In addition to the OML, we also generate the internal structure



Morphing video

Thanks to my ~~minions~~ heroes



Thank you!

