

# Shape and Topology Optimization Powered by MFEM

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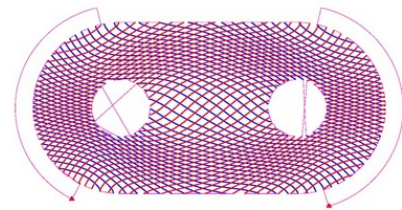
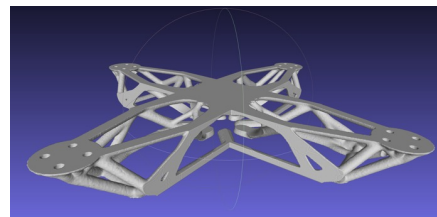
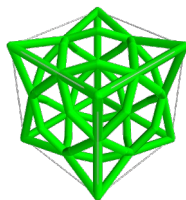
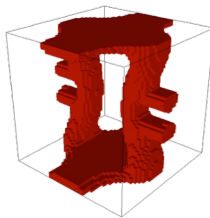
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# Systematic Design Optimization

## Livermore Design Optimization (LiDO) code:

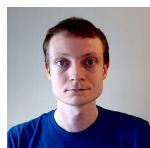
- Developing production-quality design optimization tools for Lab community and collaborators
- HPC-enabled design for coupled, transient, and nonlinear physics
- Developing and using optimization-aware machine learning models
- AM process optimization
- Manufacturing constraints
- Design under uncertainty



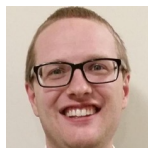
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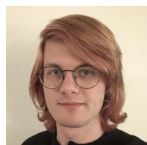
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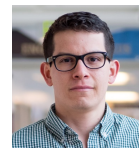
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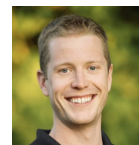
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Johnson



Schmidt



Swartz



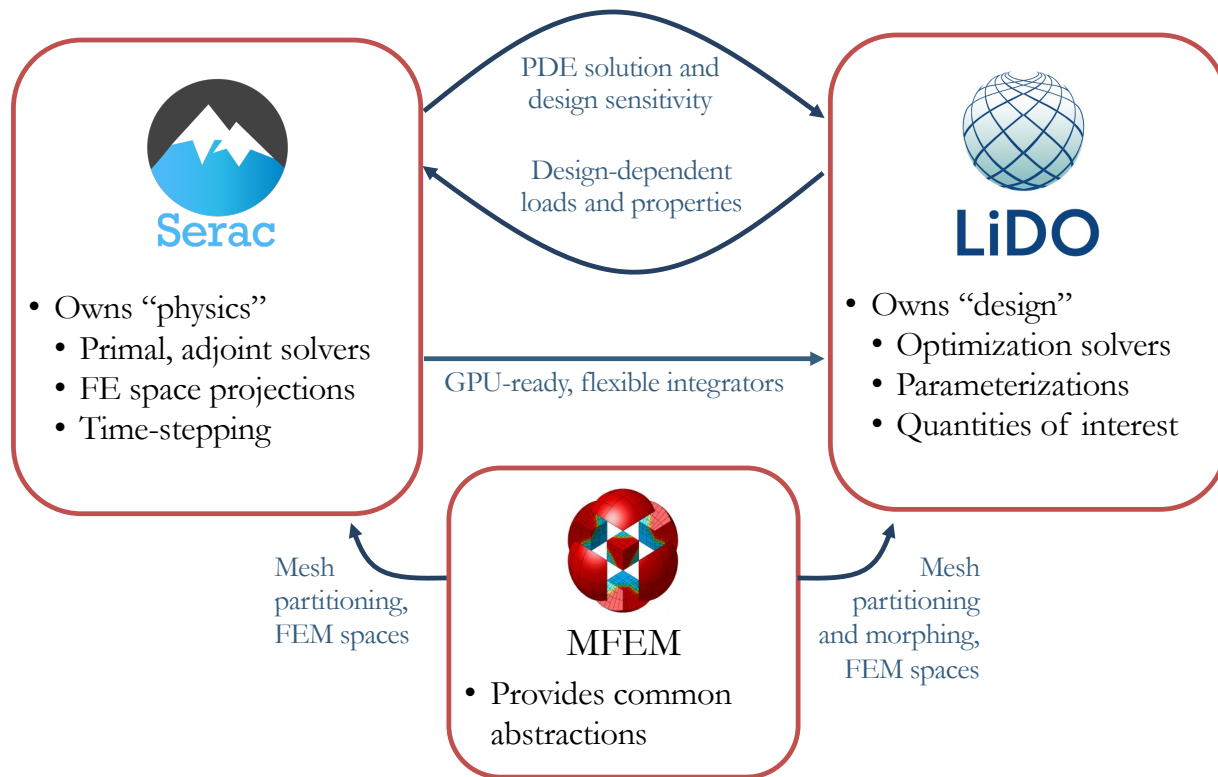
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# Optimization Framework: Building Blocks

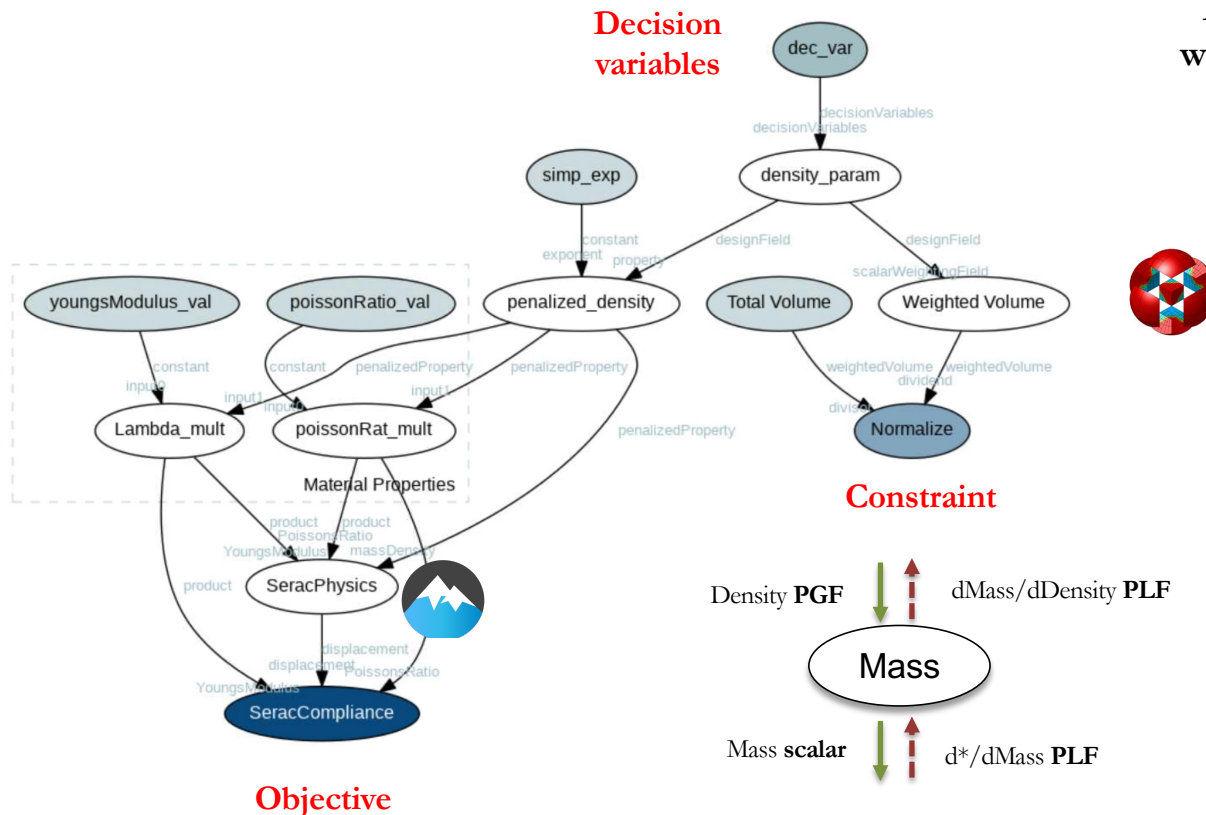
Smith and LiDO are being co-developed to improve utility, integration, and performance



# Example of LiDO Graph Data Flow

Forward physical analysis

Performance metric (i.e., objective and constraints)



Note: data/computations of any vertex can come from user-defined module!

# Gradient-based topology and shape optimization

Current alternatives for gradient-based optimization in LiDO:

Design evolves  
automatically via

**Topology optimization  
(TopOpt)**

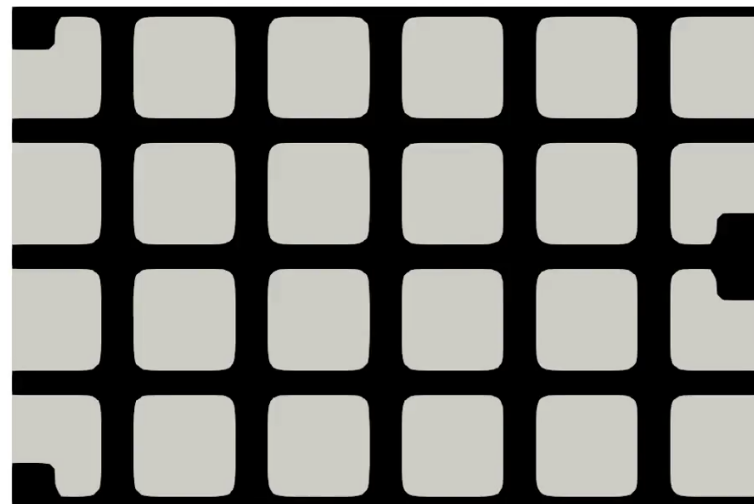


Parameterizes

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbb{C}(\mathbf{d}) [\nabla \mathbf{u}] dv = 0$$

Fields

**Shape optimization  
(ShapeOpt\*)**



Domain

$$\int_{\Omega(\mathbf{d})} \nabla \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbb{C} [\nabla \mathbf{u}] dv = 0$$

\*Under active development

# TopOpt: Multi-material design considering geometric measures

A mass mock part designed for additive manufacturing with two materials (red and clear) to match a given total mass, center of mass, and multiple moments of inertia.

$$\min_p \quad \theta(\mathbf{p}) = w_0 \int_{\Omega} p(1.0 - p) dV$$

such that  $g_1(p) = w_1 (\mathcal{M}(p)/\bar{\mathcal{M}} - 1.0)^2 \leq 0$

$$g_2(p) = w_2 (\mathcal{I}_{XX}(p)/\bar{\mathcal{I}}_{XX} - 1.0)^2 \leq 0$$

$$g_3(p) = w_3 (\mathcal{I}_{YY}(p)/\bar{\mathcal{I}}_{YY} - 1.0)^2 \leq 0$$

$$g_4(p) = w_4 (\mathcal{I}_{ZZ}(p)/\bar{\mathcal{I}}_{ZZ} - 1.0)^2 \leq 0$$

$$g_5(p) = w_5 (\mathcal{C}_X(p) - \bar{\mathcal{C}}_X)^2 \leq 0$$

$$g_6(p) = w_6 (\mathcal{C}_Y(p) - \bar{\mathcal{C}}_Y)^2 \leq 0$$

$$g_7(p) = w_7 (\mathcal{C}_Z(p) - \bar{\mathcal{C}}_Z)^2 \leq 0$$

$w_i$  : weights to adjust sensitivity contributions

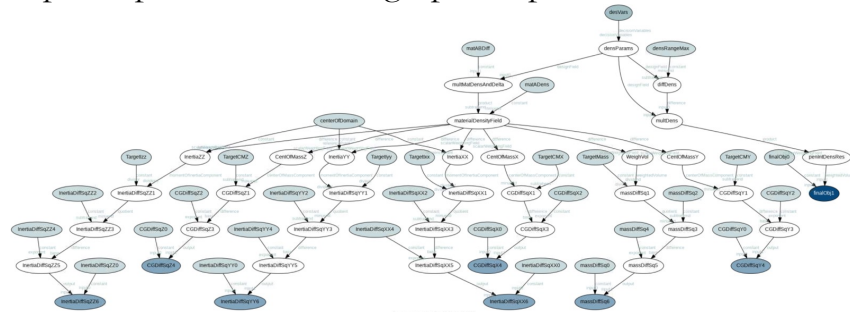
$$\mathcal{M}(p) = \int_{\Omega} \rho(p) dV$$

$$\rho = \rho_A + p(\rho_B - \rho_A)$$

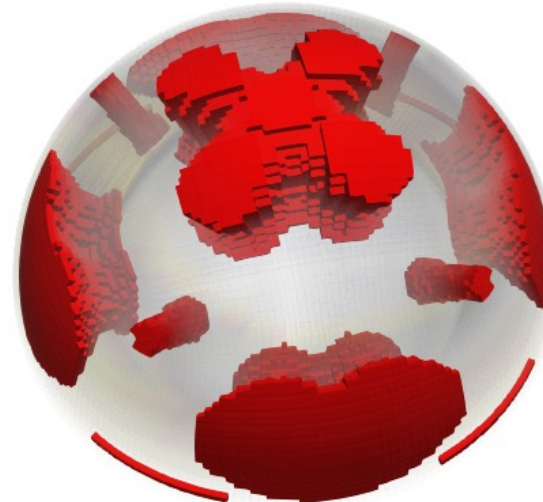


Skin thickness of 0.1 inches

Simple implementation of graph despite number of vertices.



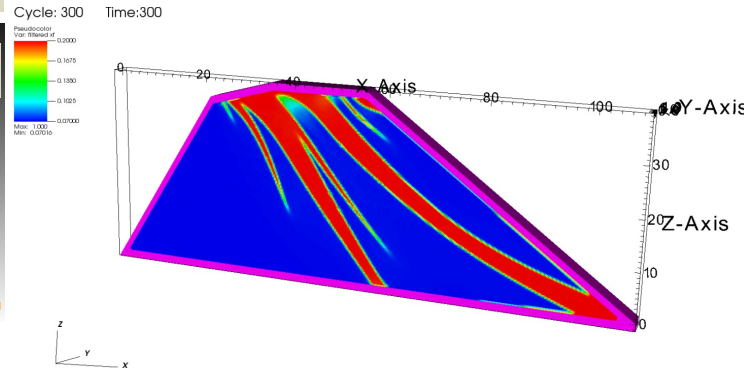
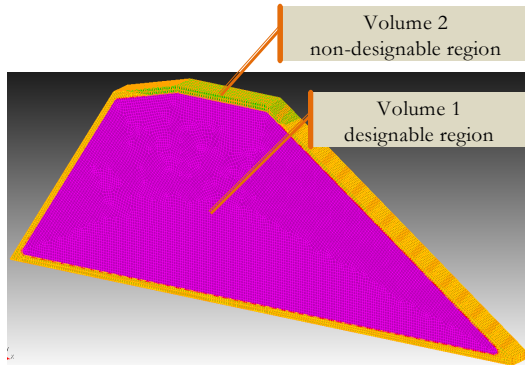
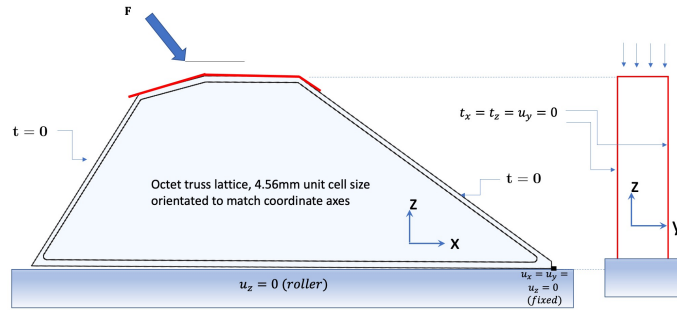
Optimal design



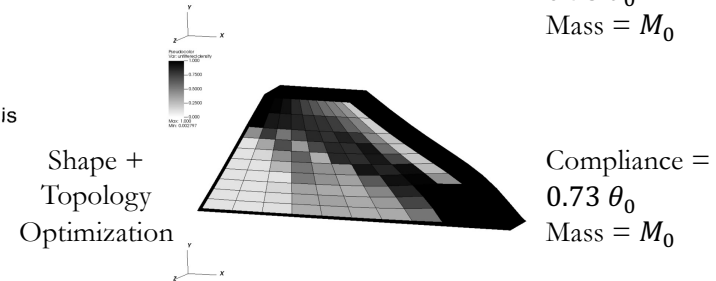
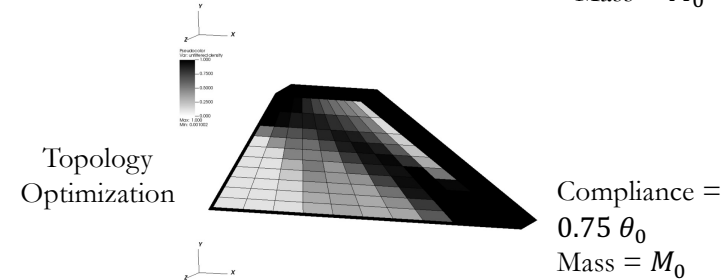
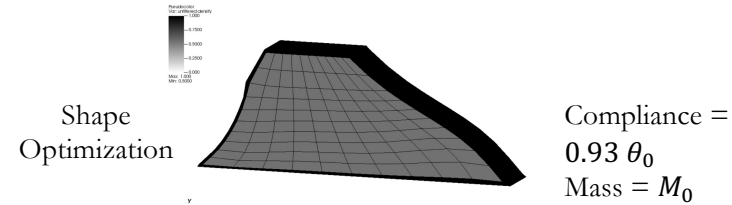
# TopOpt: Field-based octet truss lattice structural design

Minimize compliance,  
subject to the mass fraction  
constraint:

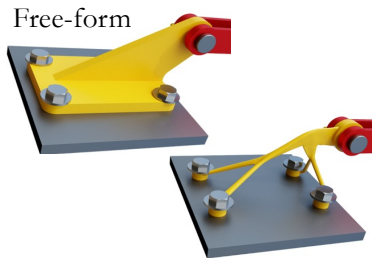
- mass fraction of designable region  $\leq 10\%$ , where the designable region is made up of an octet lattice.



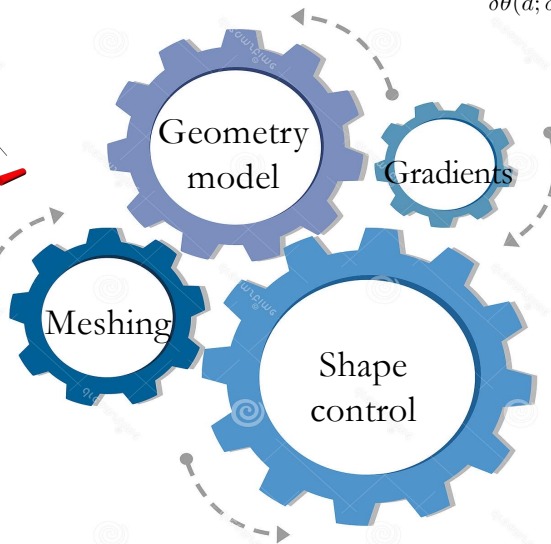
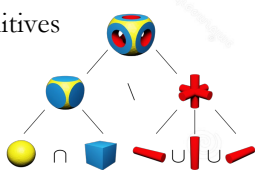
Combining design optimization approaches



# Shape Optimization 101

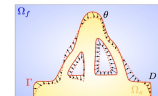


Combining geometric primitives

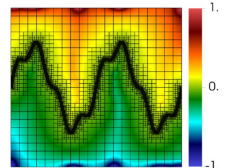
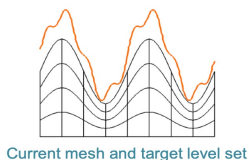


Shape sensitivity analysis

$$\delta\theta(d; \delta d) = \int_{\Omega} \left( -\frac{\partial g}{\partial \nabla \mathbf{u}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \nabla \mathbf{v}_d + g \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_d \right) dv - \int_{\Omega} \left( -\nabla \mathbf{w} \nabla \mathbf{v}_d \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \nabla \mathbf{w} \cdot \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{\partial \nabla \mathbf{u}} [\nabla \mathbf{u} \nabla \mathbf{v}_d] - \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{b} + (\nabla \mathbf{w} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{b}) \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_d \right) dv$$

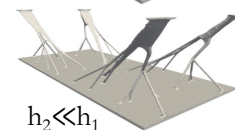
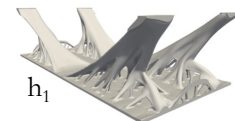
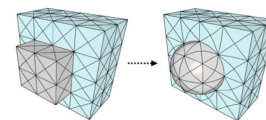


Discretization

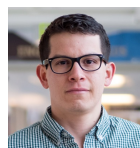


Level set on a background mesh

Accurate mesh morphing, feature size control, ...



Shape Optimization Team



Barrera



Mittal



Schmidt



Swartz



Tomov



Tortorelli



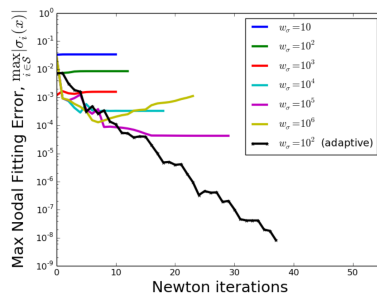
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# ShapeOpt: Pre-processing Discretized Design Domain

- MFEM's TMOP adapt structured meshes to parameterized geometry (uses GSLib too)

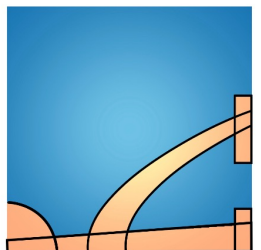
$$F(\mathbf{x}) = \underbrace{\sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}} \int_{E_t} \mu(T(\mathbf{x})) dx_t}_{F_\mu} + \underbrace{w_\sigma \int_{\mathcal{S}} \sigma^2(\mathbf{x})}_{F_\sigma}$$



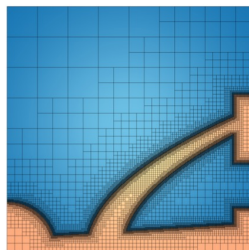
$$\frac{\partial F_\sigma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_{a,i}} = 2w_\sigma \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sigma(x_s) \frac{\partial \sigma(x_s)}{\partial x_a} \frac{\partial x_a(\bar{x}_s)}{\partial x_{a,i}} = 2w_\sigma \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sigma(x_s) \frac{\partial \sigma(x_s)}{\partial x_a} \bar{w}_i(\bar{x}_s),$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_\sigma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_{b,j} \partial x_{a,i}} = 2w_\sigma \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \left( \frac{\partial \sigma(x_s)}{\partial x_b} \frac{\partial \sigma(x_s)}{\partial x_a} + 2w_\sigma \frac{\partial^2 \sigma(x_s)}{\partial x_b \partial x_a} \right) \bar{w}_i(\bar{x}_s) \bar{w}_j(\bar{x}_s),$$

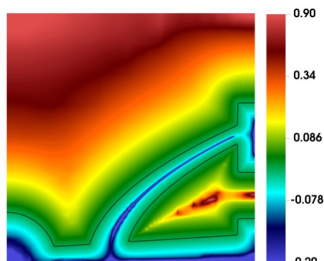
$$a, b = 1 \dots d, \quad i, j = 1 \dots N_x.$$



Fischer-Tropsch reactor like domain using CSG

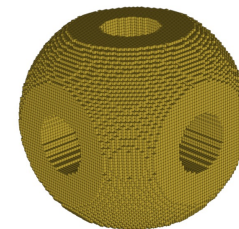
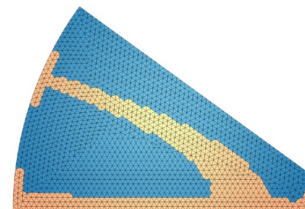


AMR around the 0 level set

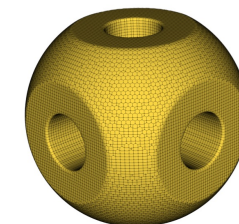
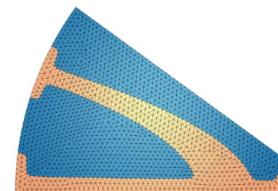


Distance function from the 0 level set

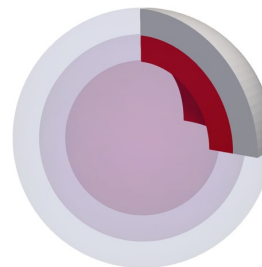
Initial mesh



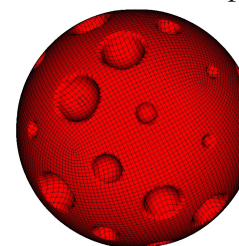
Morphed mesh



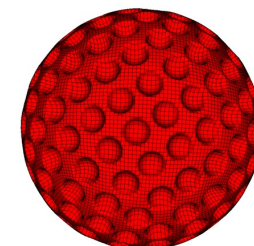
Initial mesh



Flexible parameterization



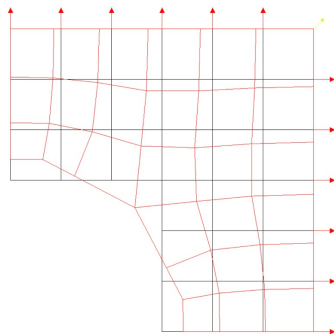
Number of spheres = 40  
Sphere radii range = 0.05-0.20



Number of spheres = 180  
Sphere radius = 0.1

# ShapeOpt: Alternatives Explored

**Option 1:** node coordinates as decision variables



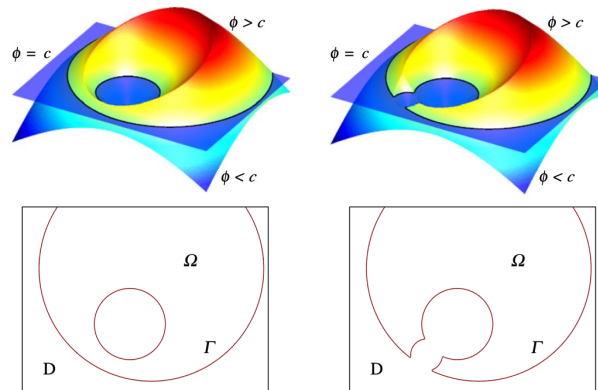
**Node aware shape optimization**

$$r_d(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d, \tilde{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{u}_d) = 0 = \int_{\Omega_0} (\nabla \tilde{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \gamma \nabla \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d + \tilde{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d) dv - \int_{\Omega_0} \tilde{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \mathbf{u}_d dv$$

$$\min_{\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d \in \mathcal{H}_c} \theta_\gamma = \int_{\Omega_0} |\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d - \mathbf{u}_d|^2 dv + \gamma \int_{\Omega_0} |\nabla \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d|^2 dv$$

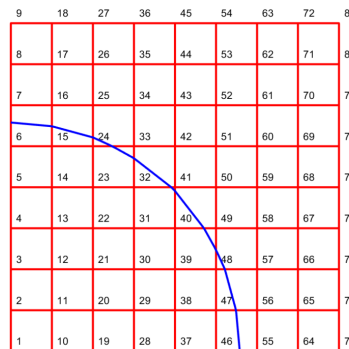
$$\delta \theta_i(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d; \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_d) = \delta \theta_i^E(\mathbf{x}; \delta \mathbf{x}) - \delta r^E(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}; \delta \mathbf{x})$$

**Option 2:** interface/boundary defined implicitly by isocontour of a level set function

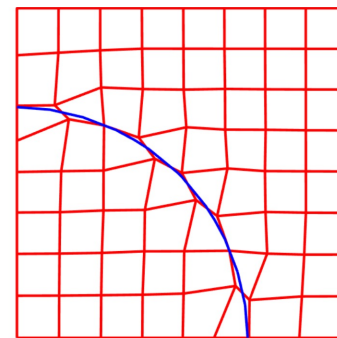


**Level set shape optimization**

Design (fixed) mesh

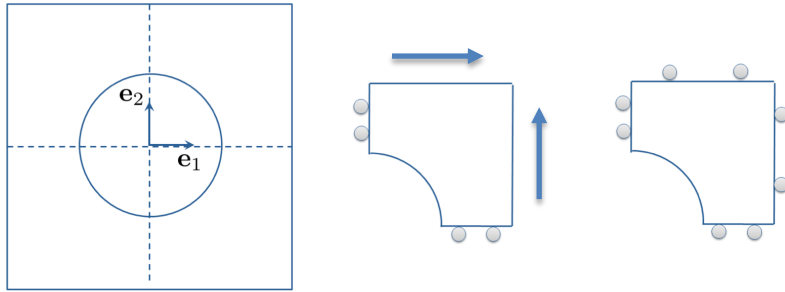


Analysis (morphing) mesh



# ShapeOpt: Structural design of benchmark stress problem

Plate with Hole:



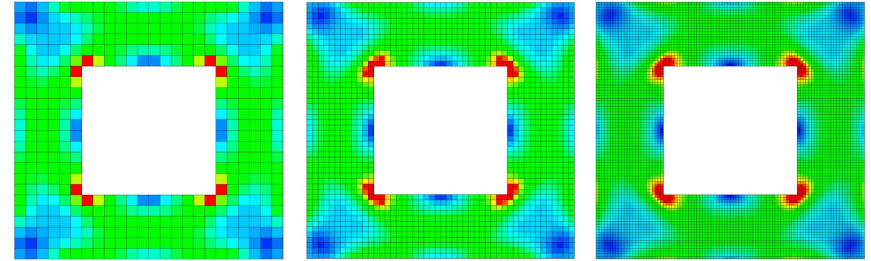
$$\min_{\mathbf{u}_d \in \mathcal{H}_H} \theta_0 = \left( \int_{\Omega} \sigma_{VM}^p dv \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

such that

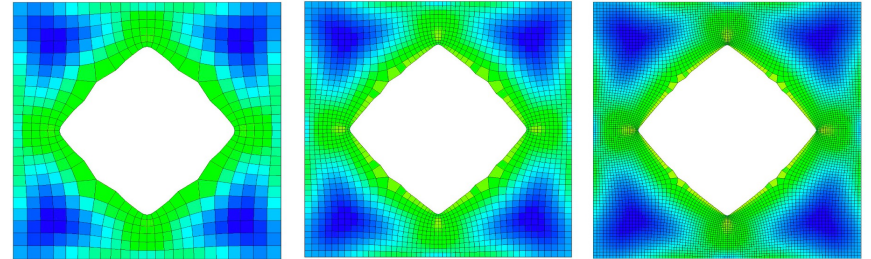
$$\theta_1 = \int_{\Omega} dv - \bar{V} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_d \leq \mathbf{u}_d \cdot \mathbf{e}_i \leq \bar{u}_d \text{ for } i = 1, 2$$

Initial configuration

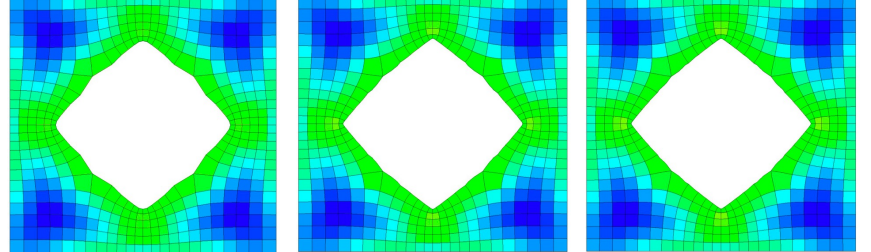


Optimize configuration



h-refinement

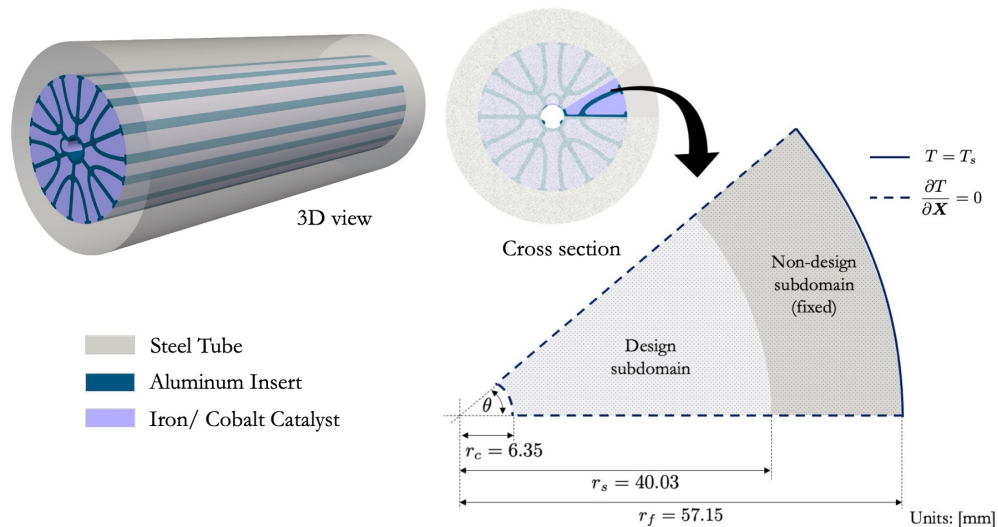
Optimize configuration



p-refinement

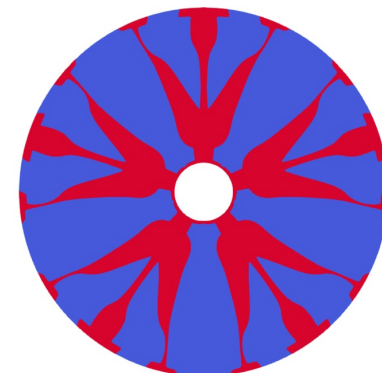
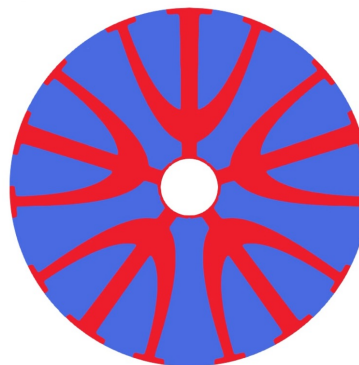
# ShapeOpt: Reactor Design for Thermal Management

Design optimization of integrated cooling inserts in modular Fischer-Tropsch reactors



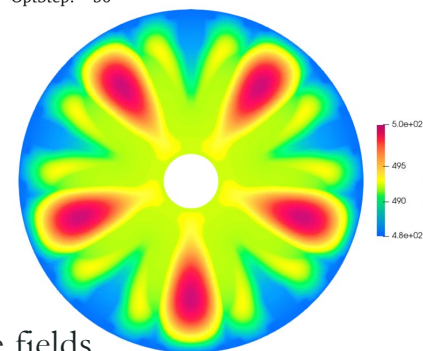
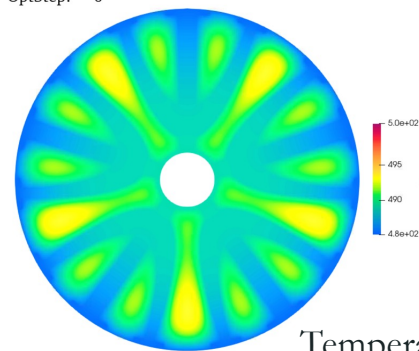
Initial design

Optimal design



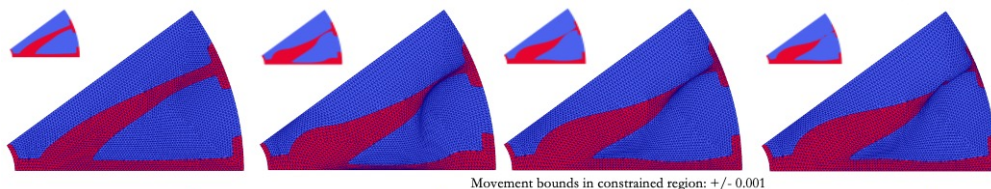
OptStep: 0

OptStep: 50



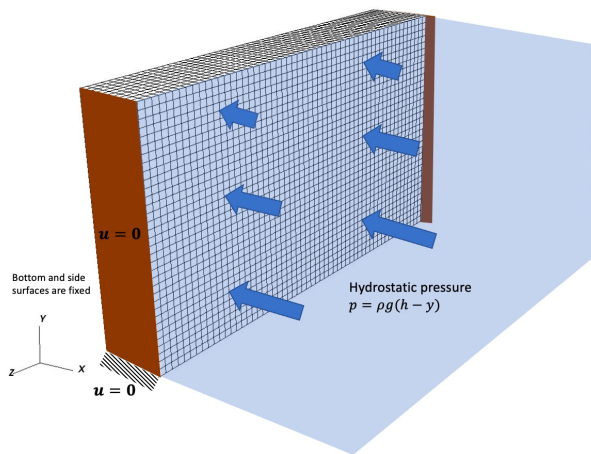
Temperature fields

Controlling minimum feature size in topology preserving designs



# ShapeOpt: Dam Structural Design

Shape optimization of a concrete dam. Enforcing an anisotropic stress constraint yields a familiar compression arch shape.

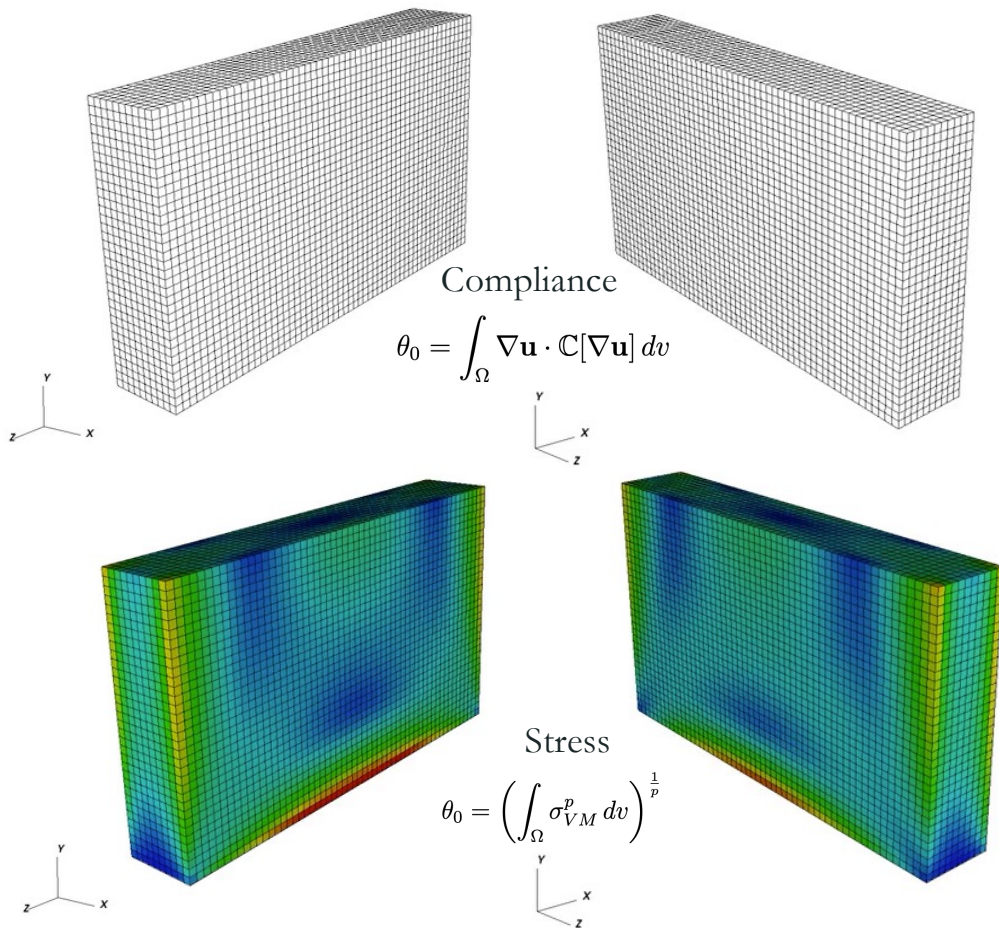


$$\min_{\mathbf{u}_d \in \mathcal{H}_H} \theta_0$$

such that

$$\theta_1 = \int_{\Omega} dv - \bar{V} = 0$$

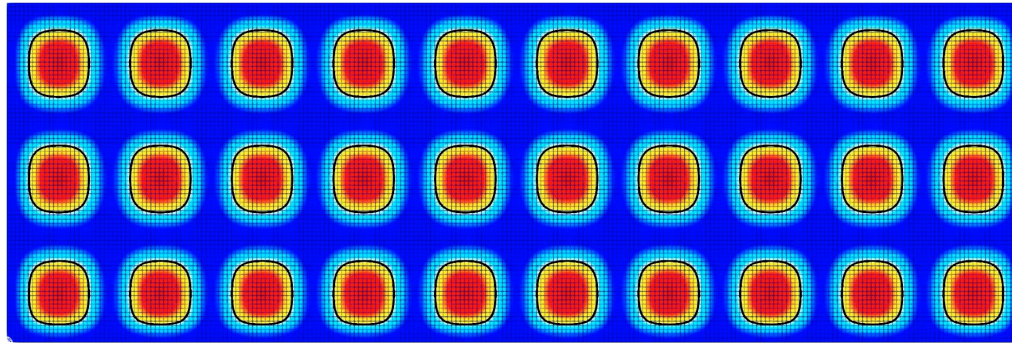
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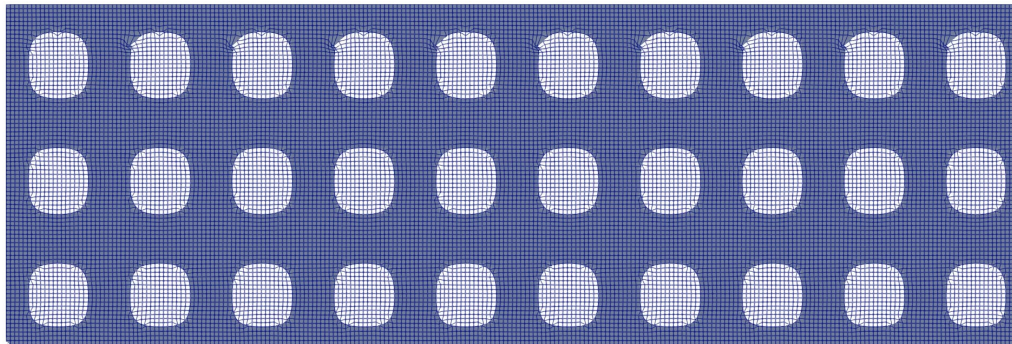
# ShapeOpt: Parameter-free via Level Sets

- Two meshes: one fixed for design and another that morphs for analysis.
- Leverages graph, TMOP, and (in the near future) Serac's shape sensitivities.
- Current approach allows for topological changes and circumvents remeshing by redefining the element attributes of the mesh to be morphed.

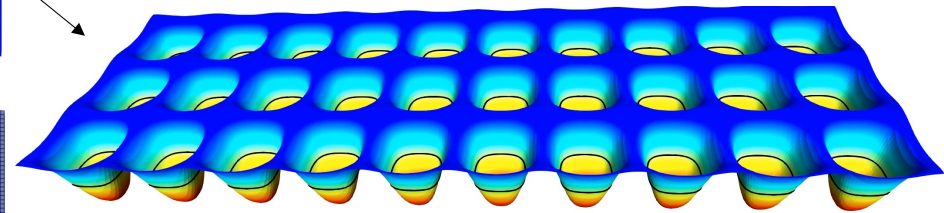
MBB Beam compliance minimization with mass constraint



Opt Iter: 1

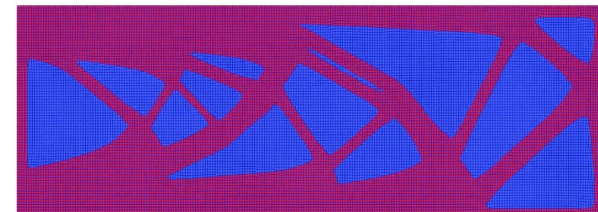
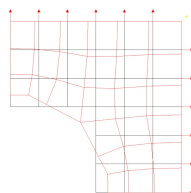
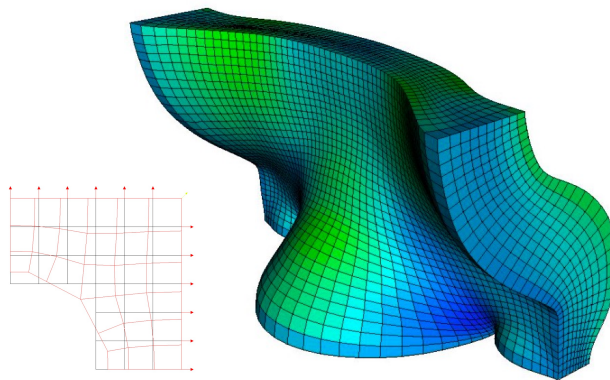
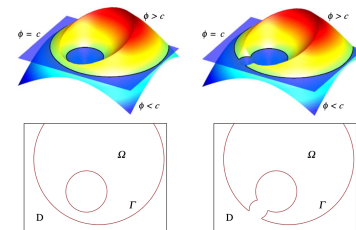
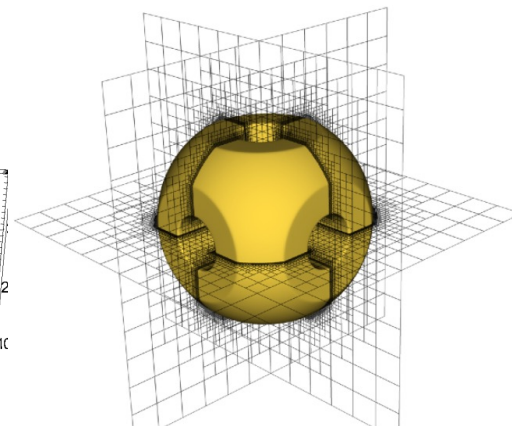
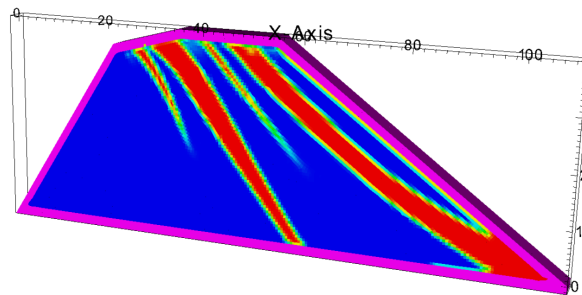


LS regularization via Heat Method using MFEM's Miniapp to compute a signed distance function.



# Summary

- LiDO->Serac-> MFEM
- Graph paradigm aids in modularization.
- Flexibility to exchange building blocks based on applications.
- Robust topology optimization (fictitious density/volume fraction fields) for various physics in 2D and 3D.
- Level set shape optimization using TMOP for mesh morphing.
- Potential application of shape optimization approaches to large scale problems since they are purely based on MFEM abstractions.



# Thank you!

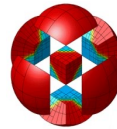
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**LiDO**



**Serac**



**MFEM**







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