

# HOW CAN WE TRANSFER THE RDI/AUTOMOTIVE KNOWLEDGE INTO THE OTHER BUSINESS AREAS

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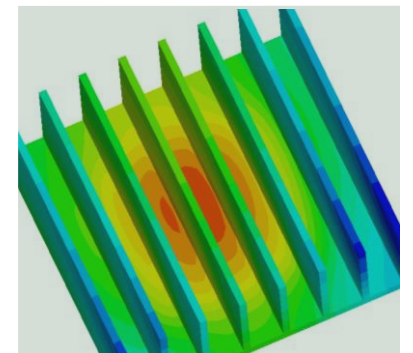
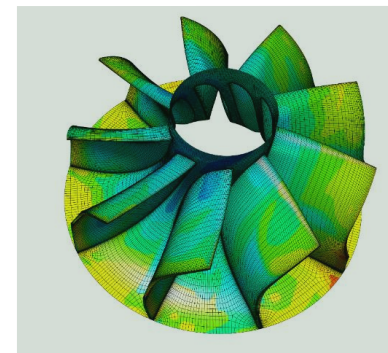
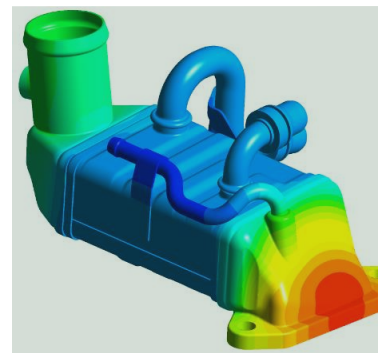
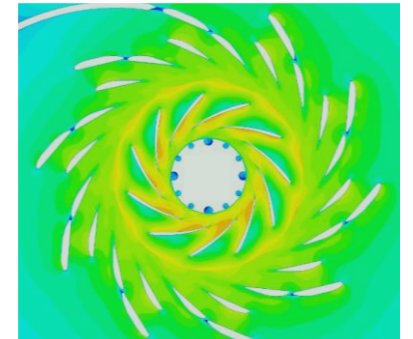
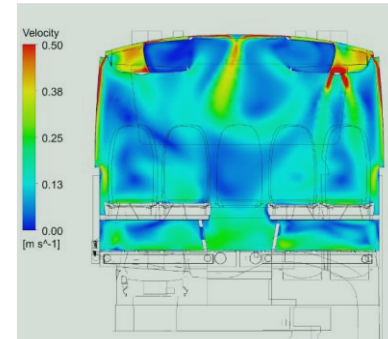
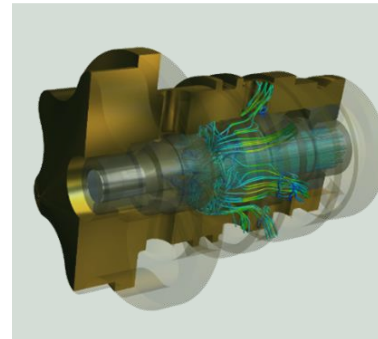
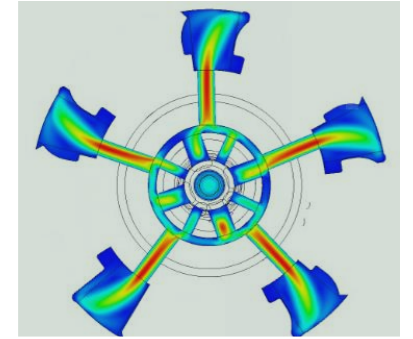
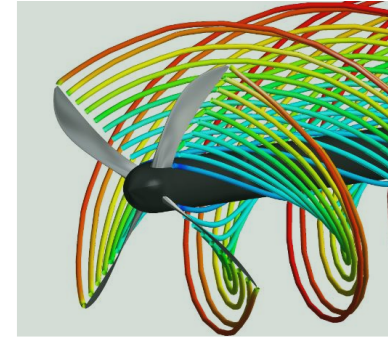
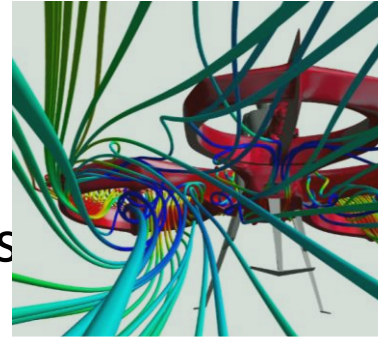
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# Intro & Business Model

- ▶ **Foundation: 2002**
- ▶ **Independent engineering consulting company for**
  - ▷ Engineering consultancy
  - ▷ Cooperative engineering
  - ▷ RDI
  - ▷ High-added value support
- ▶ **Regarding business fields**
  - ▷ Automotive
  - ▷ Aerospace
  - ▷ Composite
  - ▷ Construction
  - ▷ Healthcare
  - ▷ Energy industry
  - ▷ Agriculture
- ▶ **Computer Aided Engineering – CAE**
  - ▷ Finite Element Method
  - ▷ Computational Fluid Dynamics
  - ▷ Multi Body Systems
  - ▷ Electromagnetics
  - ▷ 1D System Simulations
- ▶ **Machine Design – automation**
  - ▷ Production Technology
  - ▷ Automatization Robotization
  - ▷ Single-Purpose Machines
  - ▷ Robot Cells and Testers
- ▶ **Software Distribution**
  - ▷ Ansys Channel Partner
  - ▷ Moldex3D Reseller
  - ▷ Cast-Designer Reseller

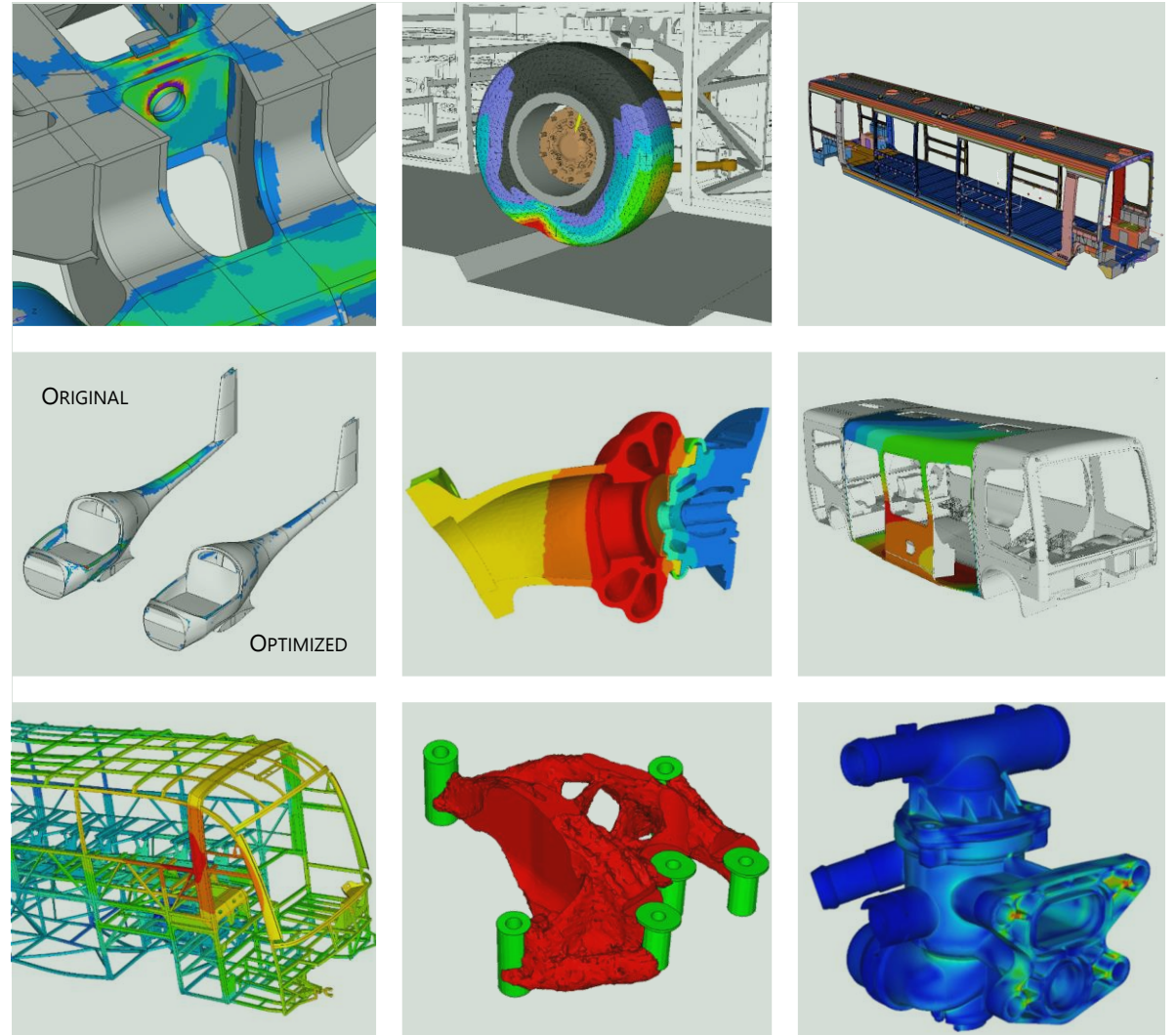
# CFD & 1D simulations

- ▶ Rotating machines
- ▶ Internal flow
- ▶ Multiphase and multicomponent flows
- ▶ External aerodynamics
- ▶ Conjugate heat transfer
- ▶ HVAC systems (1D and 3D)
- ▶ Fluid Structure Interaction
- ▶ 1D System simulations



# FEM simulations

- ▶ Model building
- ▶ Static, linear calculations
- ▶ Thermomechanics
- ▶ Durability and fatigue
- ▶ Topology optimization
- ▶ Non-linear problems
- ▶ Low and high speed crash
- ▶ Composite structures
- ▶ Multibody simulations
- ▶ Noise, Vibration and Harshness
- ▶ Low- and high-frequency electromagnetics
- ▶ Programming in Python



# Automation

## ▶ Robotics & assembly stations

- ▶ Pick&place stations
- ▶ Screwdriving stations
- ▶ Press-fit equipment
- ▶ Crimping stations
- ▶ End of line testers
- ▶ Orbital riveting stations
- ▶ Visual testers

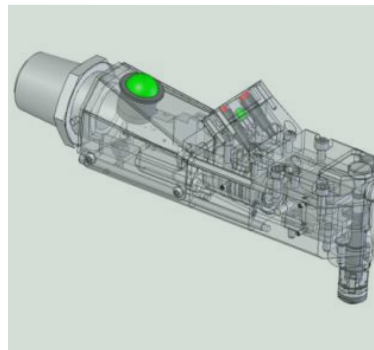
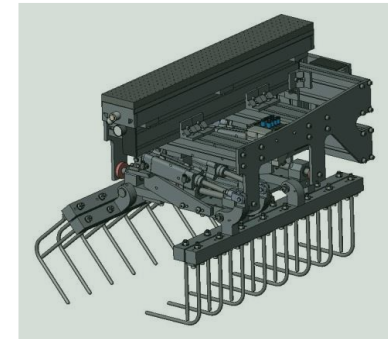
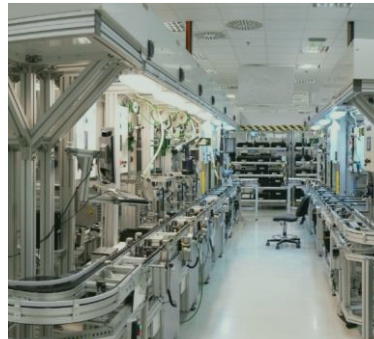
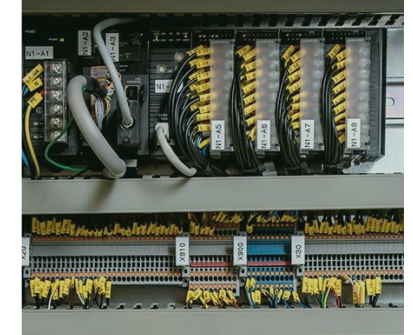
## ▶ Material handling

- ▶ Conveyor systems
- ▶ Balancer systems
- ▶ Special grippers

## ▶ Robot cells

- ▶ Palletising and depalletising
- ▶ Grinding

## ▶ PLC programming



# BMW Virtual Dummy Laboratory – overall concept

The task of the Virtual Dummy Laboratory is dummy **development**, **integration** and **quality assurance** of all dummies in all vehicle projects.

## Development:

- **Centralizing** all dummy model tasks
- Transparency in **prognosis quality**
- Determination of need for action
- **Validation**/certification with standard and BMW-specific load cases
- **Open access** for dummy model suppliers

## Integration:

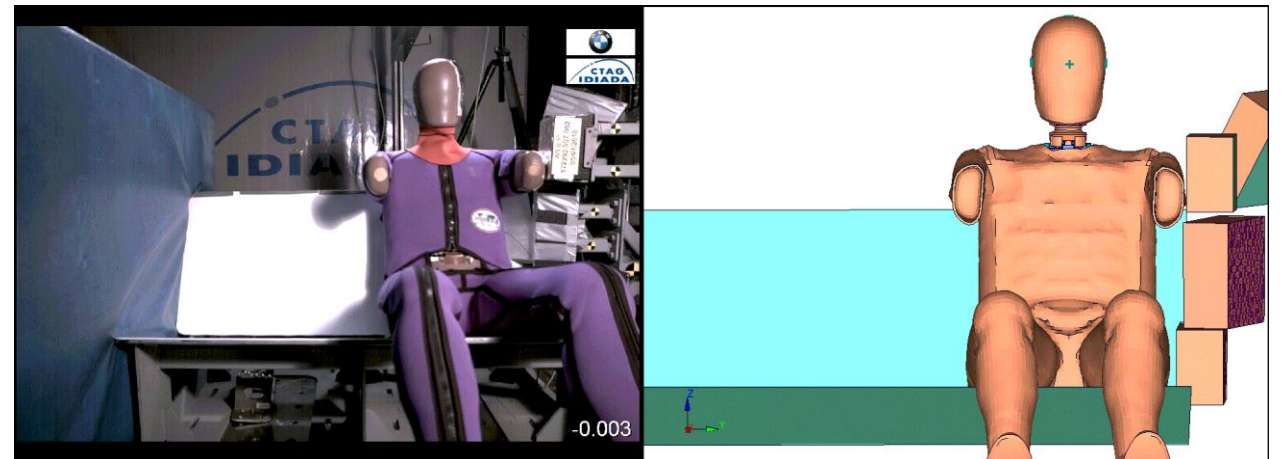
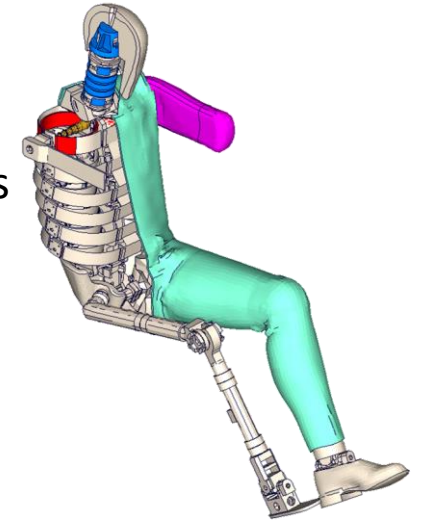
- **Integration** to BMW environment
- Managing cooperation with suppliers

## Quality assurance:

- **QA process** when changing/updating crash code
- Statistics and forecasting quality improvements

100+ measurement channels

- Acceleration
- Angular Velocity
- Displacement / Angle
- Force / Moment

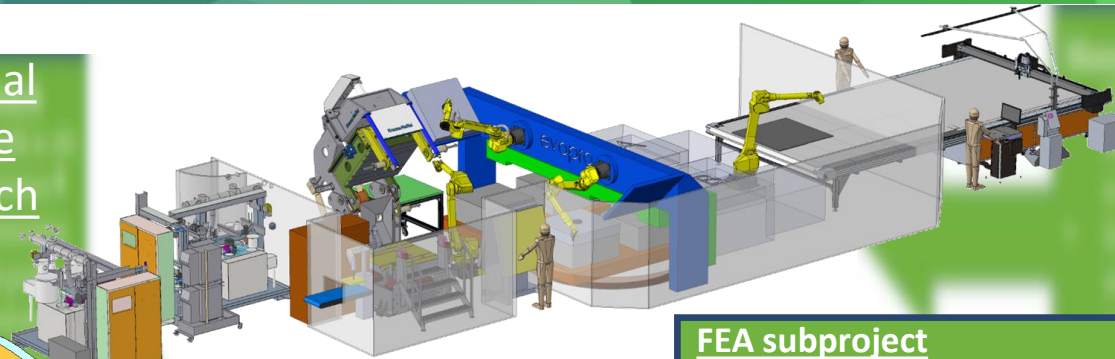


# R&D project for thermoplast composite material characterisation

- Development of low cycle time manufacturing process and high-fidelity design procedures of thermoplastic matrix composites for automotive use

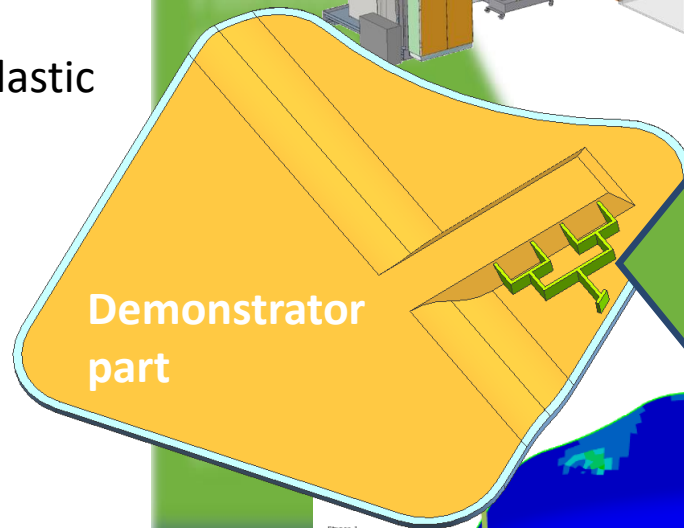


Material science research



Manufacturing technology subproject

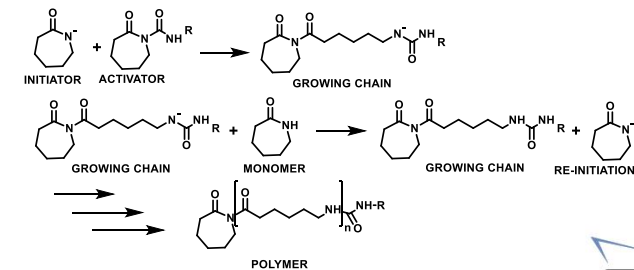
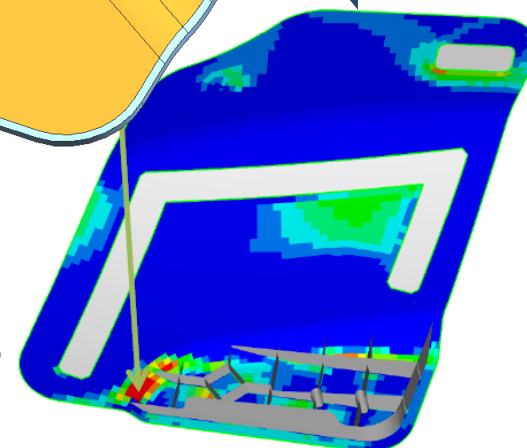
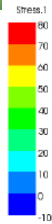
System design work  
Process optimisation



- Material mechanical testing
- FEM based method development

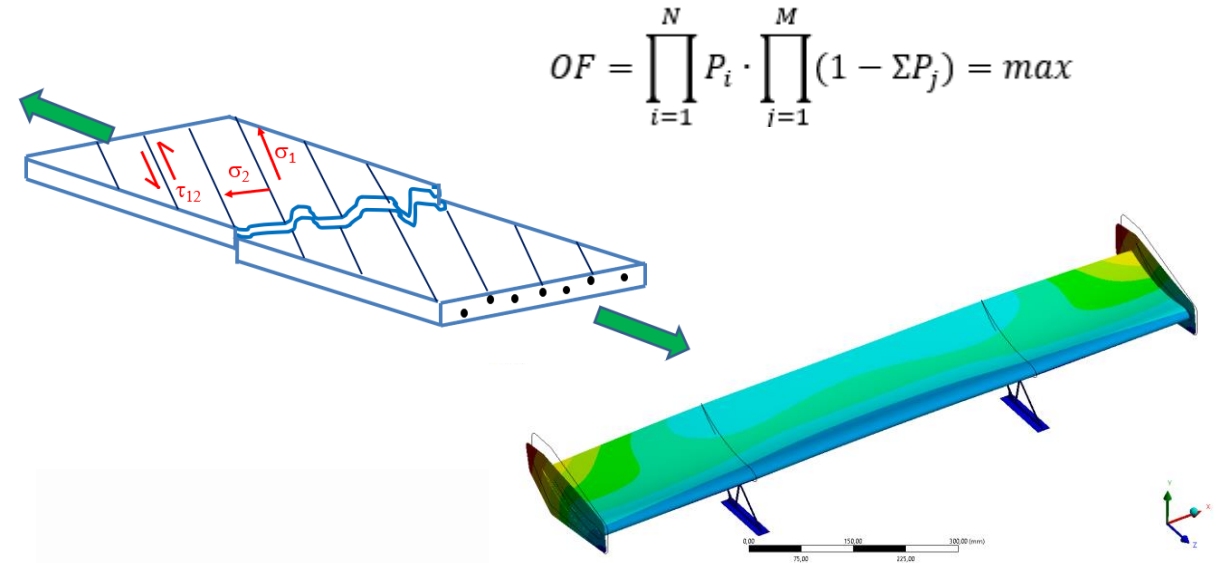
## FEA subproject

- Establish validated methods to reliably and efficiently predict for any critical feature of a composite product with any stackup sequence and reinforcement structure the followings:
  - Deformation, strength, failure characteristics
  - Fatigue behaviour
  - Structural behaviour (stiffness and strength) of joints (adhesive, rivet etc.)
  - Effect of manufacturing defects on structural characteristics

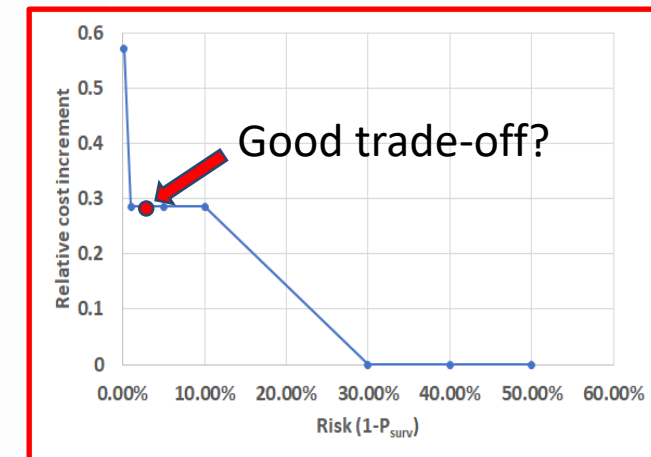
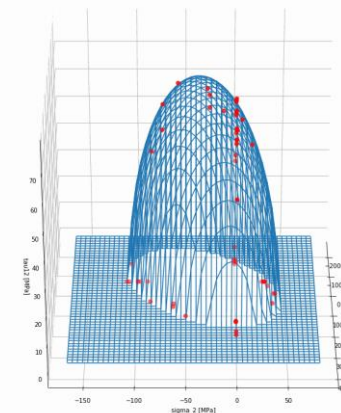


# Advanced composite parameter fitting methods

- High-fidelity material parameter fitting processes including UQ and probabilistic methods
- Input: raw test data, output: orientation dependent material model parameters for direct FE use
- Method for direct evaluation of stiffness constants and the variation of them
- Method for direct evaluation of failure model parameters and the variation of them (Tsai-Wu, Puck, Hashin etc.)
- Possibility to derive FE material input corresponding to predefined probability of survival
- Opportunity to compute cost of safety



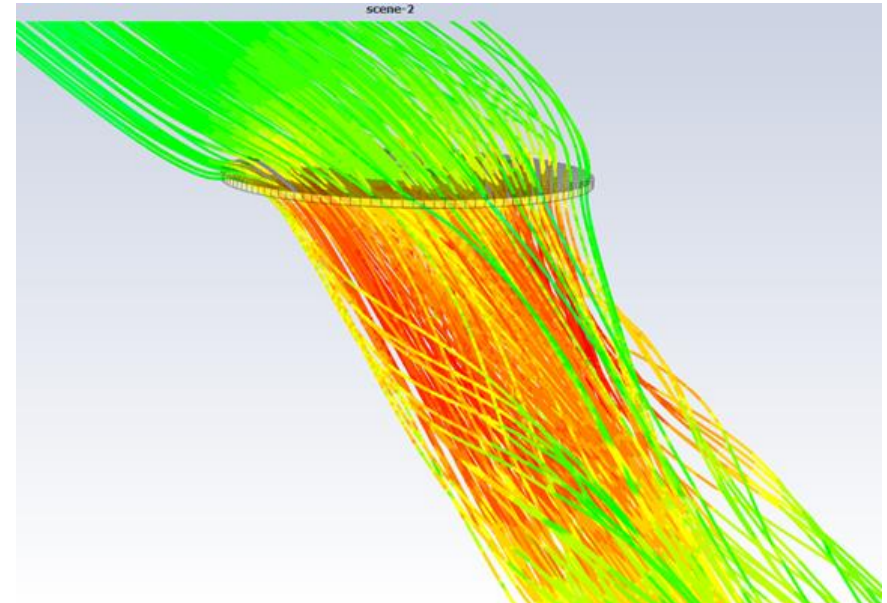
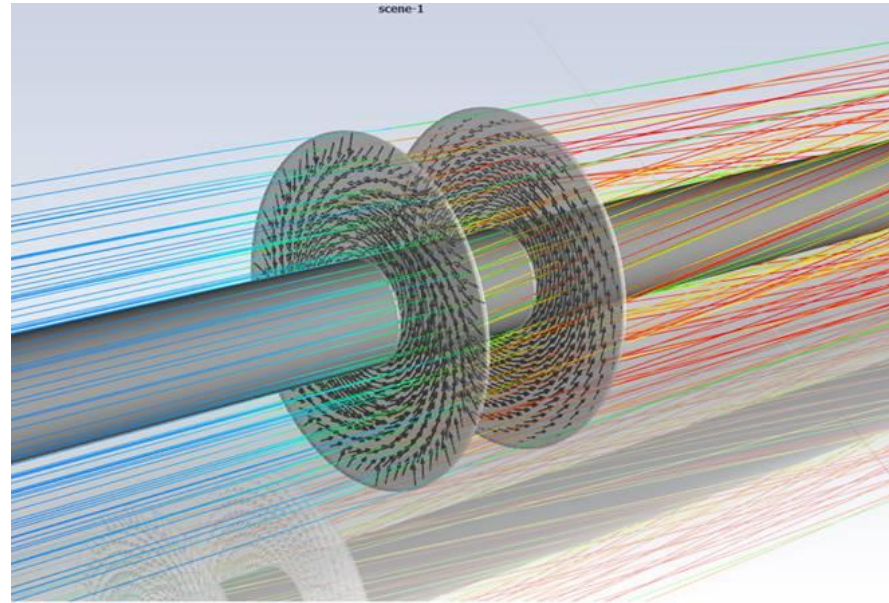
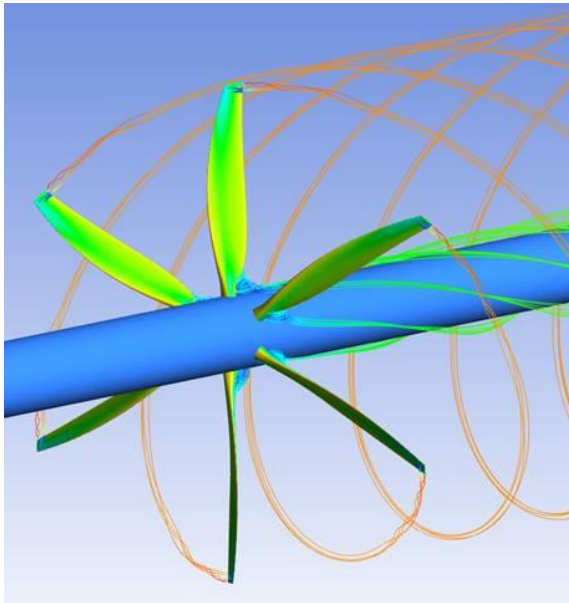
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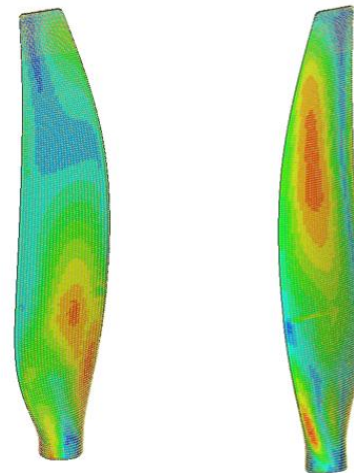
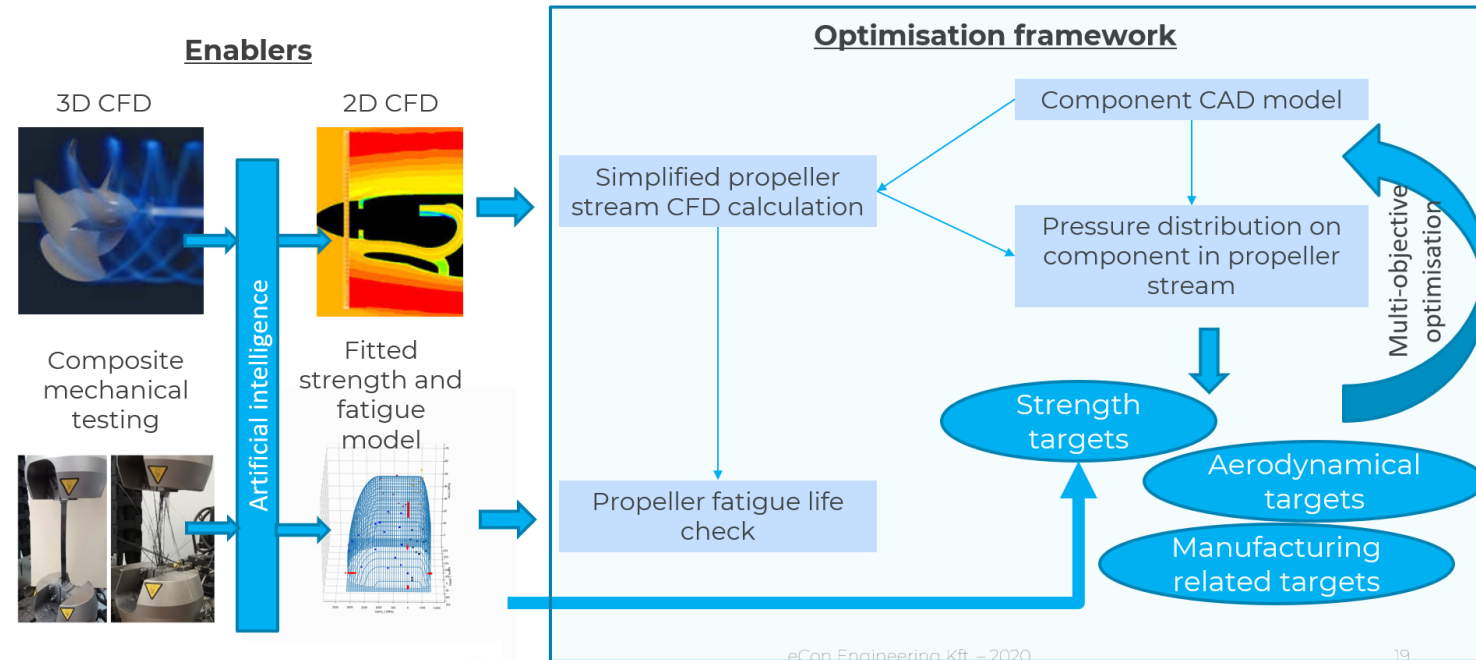
# CFD Simulation method and workflow development

- ▶ **Development of Virtual Blade Model (VBM) with built-in 3D aerodynamic correction using artificial intelligence**
  - ▷ 3 years R&D project founded by the Hungarian government
  - ▷ Substitution of explicit propeller models in CFD with VBM to speed up simulations without losing flow characteristics induced by blades' spanwise 3D load distribution
  - ▷ Optimisation of features washed by the propellers' wake becomes feasible

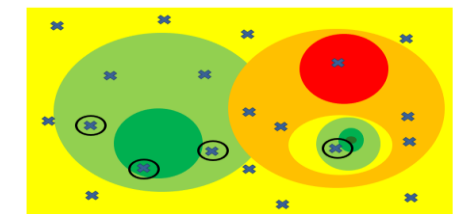


# Applying AI in engineering applications

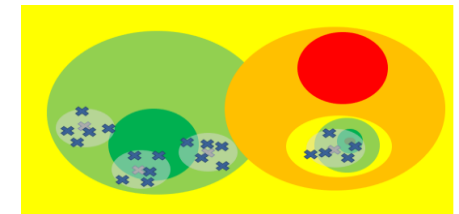
- Hungarian government funded domestic R&D project
- Exploiting AI in propeller optimisation from cfd and strength POV
- Two main subprojects
  - CFD project aims developing 2D to 3D blade correction for 2D based virtual blade modelling
  - FEM projects aims developing intelligent composite material parameter fitting methods including static and cyclic strength
- Side project: development of a virtual (numerical) predictive model for the fatigue behaviour of TP matrix based continuous fibre reinforced composites
- All models integrated in an optimisation workflow



Generation 0



Generation 1



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