

# PROPER GENERALIZED DECOMPOSITION SOLUTIONS OF COMPOSITE LAMINATES PARAMETERIZED WITH FIBRE ORIENTATIONS FOR FAST COMPUTATIONS

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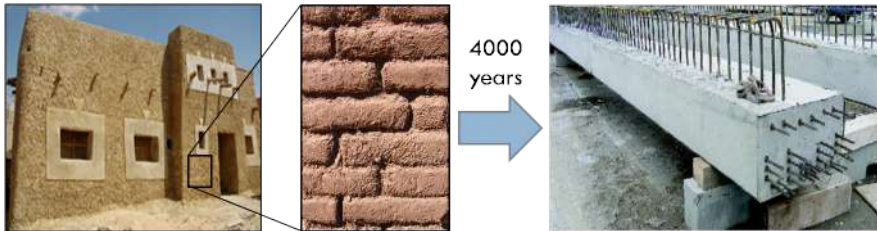
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# Background and Motivation

## Existence through time:

- Composite materials have been used since Mesopotemia and the Pharaonic civilisations
- Reinforced construction components for enhanced mechanical properties  $\Rightarrow$  brick and straw, reinforced concrete, etc...

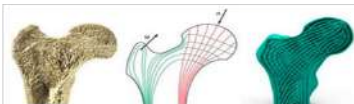
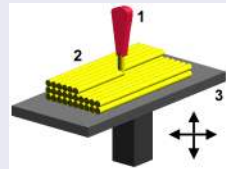


**Figure:** Typical ancient house in south of Egypt and a modern reinforced beam

# Background and Motivation

## Industrial needs:

- Enhanced mechanical properties  $\Rightarrow$  stiffness, load-carrying capacity, increased strength to weight ratio, etc...
- Numerical analyses for complex shapes and designs
- Ability to manufacture optimized complex designs
- Additive manufacturing deposits thermoplastic molten filament layer by layer.
- **3D printing steps:**  
CAD based 3D model  $\Rightarrow$  STL file  $\Rightarrow$  sliced layers  $\Rightarrow$  3D printing  $\Rightarrow$  part finishing.



# What are the different types of structural optimization?

## Structural optimization

- **Topology optimization:** how to remove material
- **Shape optimization:** how to change the shape of the boundaries
- **Size optimization:** how to change the thicknesses of components
- **Material optimization:** how to orient material

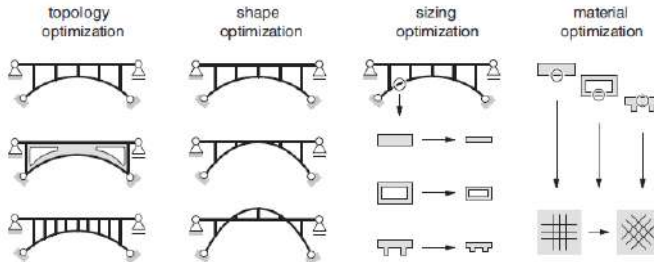
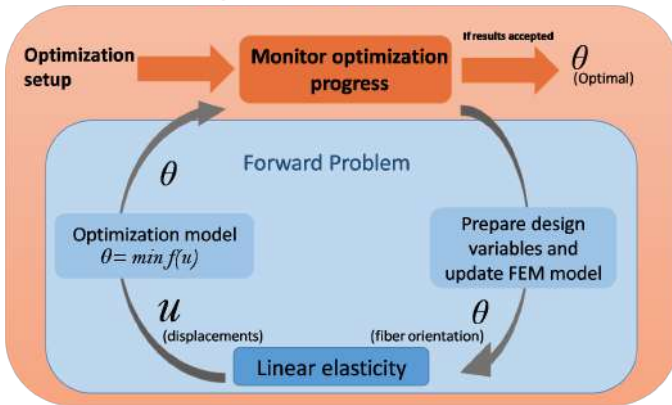


Figure: Four levels of structural optimization. Figure adapted from Ramm et al. (1998)

## Optimization Problem



### Optimization problem

Requires solving a large number of 3D forward models corresponding to different values of the parameters (orientation of material)



**Model Order Reduction (MOR) techniques**

## Proper Generalized Decomposition (PGD) framework

### Steps of PGD

Obtain pre-computed solutions in the form of a *computational vademecum* by

- 1 Considering the parameters as extra-coordinates in the problem
- 2 Making use of a separated representation of the solution to overcome the *curse of dimensionality*

### Offline phase

- Important computational resources only once
- Results in a generalized solution

### Online phase

- Very fast browsing of solutions
- Availability of the solution for any value in the parametric space

# Objectives

Present a new computational tool for the 3D numerical analysis of fibrous composite laminates with the goal of optimizing the orientation of fibers for 3D printing applications

## Main goals

- 1 Apply a set of newly in-house developed tools known as *encapsulated* PGD [Díez et al. (2018, 2019)]
- 2 Implement a post-process algorithm to solve the optimization problem
- 3 Apply the methodology to a couple of numerical examples to assess the capabilities of the model
- 4 Enhance the model by implementing and applying a data analysis algorithm

# Governing Equations: Linear Elasticity

## Strong form (Voigt's notation)

- Given a 3D domain  $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , find the displacement  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})$  satisfying the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla_{\mathbf{s}}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{b} &= \mathbf{0} && \text{in } \Omega && \text{(equilibrium)} \\
 \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{u}_D && \text{on } \Gamma_D && \text{(Dirichlet BC)} \\
 \mathbf{n}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\sigma} &= \mathbf{t}_N && \text{on } \Gamma_N && \text{(Neumann BC)} \\
 \boldsymbol{\sigma} &= \mathcal{C} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} && && \text{(Constitutive law)} \\
 \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} &= \nabla_{\mathbf{s}} \mathbf{u} && &&
 \end{aligned}$$

## Weak form

- The weak form is as follows, find  $\mathbf{u} \in U$  such that

$$\int_{\Omega} (\nabla_{\mathbf{s}} \mathbf{w})^{\top} \mathcal{C} \nabla_{\mathbf{s}} \mathbf{u} \, d\Omega = \int_{\Gamma_N} \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{t} \, d\Gamma + \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{b} \, d\Omega \quad \forall \mathbf{w} \in U_o$$



# Governing Equations: Linear Elasticity

## Finite dimensional

- The integration over the whole domain could be a sum of integrals over the elements  $\Omega_e$ .

$$\sum_{e=1}^{n_{e1}} \left\{ \int_{\Omega^e} (\nabla_S w_h^e)^T \mathbf{C} \nabla_S u_h^e d\Omega - \int_{\Gamma_N^e} w_h^{eT} \mathbf{t} d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega^e} w_h^{eT} \mathbf{b} d\Omega \right\} = 0$$

- After derivations, the element stiffness matrix and force vector read:

$$\mathbf{K}^e = \int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{B}^{eT} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{B}^e d\Omega \quad \mathbf{f}^e = \int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{N}^{eT} \mathbf{b} d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_N \cap \bar{\Omega}^e} \mathbf{N}^{eT} \mathbf{t} d\Gamma$$

- Applying assembly operators, the global stiffness matrix and force vector read:

$$\mathbf{K} := \sum_{e=1}^{n_{e1}} \mathbf{L}^{eT} \mathbf{K}^e \mathbf{L}^e \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{f} := \sum_{e=1}^{n_{e1}} \mathbf{L}^{eT} \mathbf{f}^e \quad \text{yielding: } \boxed{\mathbf{K} \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{f}}$$

# Material Parameterization

- The material properties are described by  $\mathcal{C}_0$  and its orientation is described by the angle  $\theta$ .
- The oriented material is described as follow:

$$\mathcal{C}(\theta) = \mathbf{T}^{-1}(\theta)\mathcal{C}_0\mathbf{T}^{-\top}(\theta)$$

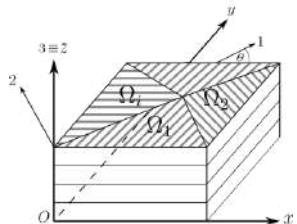
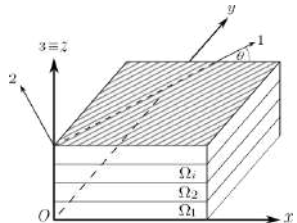
- Each parameter  $\theta_i$  is assigned to a sub-domain  $\Omega_i$ ,  $\Omega_i \subset \Omega$ , and many  $\Omega^e \subset \Omega_i$ .
- The element stiffness:

$$\mathbf{K}^e(\theta_i) = \int_{\Omega^e} \mathbf{B}^{e\top} \mathcal{C}(\theta_i) \mathbf{B}^e d\Omega$$

- The parametric linear system of equations:

$$\mathbf{K}(\boldsymbol{\theta})d(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathbf{f}$$

- The  $n_p$  parameters are gathered in vector  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = [\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{n_p}]^T$ .



## Tsai-Wu Failure Criterion

- The Tsai-Wu failure index:

$$\mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathcal{F} \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathbf{F}$$

- $\mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) \leq 1 \Rightarrow$  Material is safe.
- Alternative expression of the failure criterion:

$$\mathcal{I}_f(\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) = \mathcal{I}_f(\lambda \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \lambda^2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathcal{F} \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \lambda \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathbf{F}$$

- The critical value of  $\lambda$  corresponds to the onset of failure  $\mathcal{I}_f(\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) = 1$ .
- Assuming that  $\mathcal{F}$  is symmetric positive definite,  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathcal{F} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \geq 0$ , there is a unique positive root of the equation  $\mathcal{I}_f(\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) = 1$ .

$$\lambda_s = \frac{1}{2\boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathcal{F} \boldsymbol{\sigma}} \left( \sqrt{(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathbf{F})^2 + 4\boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathcal{F} \boldsymbol{\sigma}} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\top \mathbf{F} \right)$$

- The smallest positive root, denoted as  $\lambda_s$ , is the safety factor

## Tsai-Wu Failure Criterion

- **Our goal** is to obtain expressions  $\mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  and  $\lambda_s(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  that could be evaluated very fast
- Expressions of  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathbf{F}$  with respect to the global axes are obtained using the transformation matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}(\theta_i) &= \mathbf{T}^\top(\theta_i)\mathcal{F}_0\mathbf{T}(\theta_i) \\ \mathbf{F}(\theta_i) &= \mathbf{T}^\top(\theta_i)\mathbf{F}_0\end{aligned}$$

- Marking explicitly the parametric dependence, for  $\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_i$ , the failure index  $\mathcal{I}_f$  and the safety factor  $\lambda_s$  are rewritten as:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})) &= \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})^\top \mathcal{F}(\theta_i) \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})^\top \mathbf{F}(\theta_i) \\ \lambda_s(\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})) &= \frac{\sqrt{(\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})^\top \mathbf{F}(\theta_i))^2 + 4 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})^\top \mathcal{F}(\theta_i) \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})^\top \mathbf{F}(\theta_i)}{2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})^\top \mathcal{F}(\theta_i) \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})}\end{aligned}$$

- The failure index  $\mathcal{I}_f$  and the safety factor  $\lambda_s$  are our objective functions for the optimization problem.

# Optimization problem

- The first choice is to find  $\theta$  that minimizes the maximum value of  $\mathcal{I}_f(\sigma(x, \theta))$  evaluated at all points  $x$  in  $\Omega$ .

$$\theta_f^{\text{opt}} = \arg \min_{\theta} \max_x \mathcal{I}_f(\sigma(x, \theta))$$

- The second choice is to find  $\theta$  that maximizes the minimum value of  $\lambda_s(x, \theta)$  evaluated at all points  $x$  in  $\Omega$ .

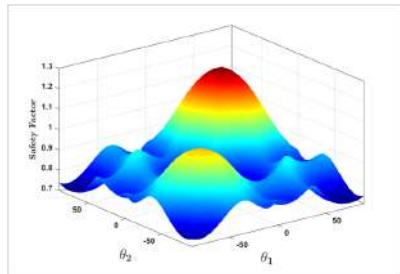
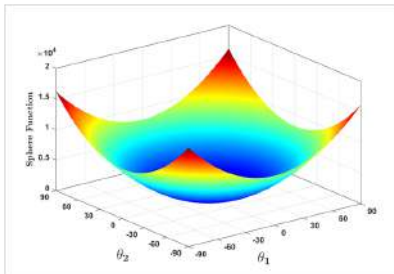
$$\theta_s^{\text{opt}} = \arg \max_{\theta} \min_x \lambda_s(x, \theta)$$

- The objective functions are not necessarily smooth and they are non convex-concave which might lead to being stuck in local minima/maxima

# Optimization Algorithms

## Types of algorithms

- The optimization algorithms are classified into deterministic and stochastic algorithms.
- Gradient-based methods (Newton method) converge fast but are easily stuck in local minima/maxima.
- Evolutionary methods (Genetic Algorithm) converge slow but yield a global optimal in complex problems.



## PGD at a glance

- 1 The parameters are taken as extra coordinates stating the problem in a multidimensional framework; finding an approximation to  $\mathbf{d}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{n_d} \times \mathbf{I}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ .
- 2 The solution is sought in a separable format reducing the order of the problem

$$\mathbf{n}_{\text{full}} = \mathbf{n}_d \prod_{i=1}^{n_p} n_{D,i} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbf{n}_{\text{PGD}} = \mathbf{n}_d + \sum_{i=1}^{n_p} n_{D,i} \quad \text{with } \mathbf{n}_{\text{PGD}} \ll \mathbf{n}_{\text{full}}$$

- 3 The PGD solver is based on a greedy strategy (computing one rank-one term at a time) and an alternating directions method to solve the nonlinear rank-one problems.

# Encapsulated PGD

Separated global stiffness matrix is needed for the PGD solver!

- **Input:** the global separated stiffness matrix  $\mathbf{K}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ .

$$\mathbf{K}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \mathbf{K}^{\text{sep}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{k=1}^{n_k} \mathbf{K}^k \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} \varphi_j^k(\theta_j)$$

- **Output:** the unknown vector of displacements  $\mathbf{d}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ .

$$\mathbf{d}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \mathbf{d}_{\text{PGD}}^n(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{m=1}^n \beta^m \mathbf{d}^m \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} G_j^m(\theta_j)$$

- *Encapsulated PGD* provides tools that directly produce computational vademecums for the high-dimensional tensor data.
- The toolbox<sup>1</sup> permits the performance of operations such as: solving linear system of equations, compression, addition, multiplication, division, etc...

<sup>1</sup>Publicly available at <https://git.lacan.upc.edu/zlotnik/algebraicPGDtools>



# PGD compression

- The goal is to remove excess terms associated with redundant information from the PGD solution and increase orthogonality between terms
- Least-squares projection of the PGD solution into the same approximation space:

find a PGD-type approximation  $\mathbf{d}_{\text{com}}^{n_c}$  minimizing

$$\|\mathbf{d}_{\text{com}}^{n_c} - \mathbf{d}_{\text{PGD}}^n\|_{L^2(I_\theta)} = \int_{I_1} \cdots \int_{I_{n_p}} (\mathbf{d}_{\text{com}}^{n_c} - \mathbf{d}_{\text{PGD}}^n)^2 d\theta_{n_p} \cdots d\theta_1$$

- The number of terms  $n_c$  in the compressed solution  $\mathbf{d}_{\text{com}}^{n_c}$  is significantly lower than the original one ( $n_c \ll n$ )

## Separation of input for PGD solver

- The separated representation of  $\mathcal{C}(\theta)$ :

$$\mathcal{C}(\theta_i) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_t} \mathcal{C}^\ell \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} \phi_j^{\ell,i}(\theta_j) \quad \phi_j^{\ell,i}(\theta_j) \equiv 1 \text{ for } j \neq i$$

- The element stiffness,  $\Omega_e \in \Omega_i$ , yields:

$$\mathbf{K}^e(\theta_i) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_t} \left[ \int_{\Omega_e} \mathbf{B}^{e\top} \mathcal{C}^\ell \mathbf{B}^e d\Omega \right] \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} \phi_j^{\ell,i}(\theta_j)$$

- Assembling the global stiffness matrix yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}(\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{n_p}) &= \sum_{e=1}^{n_{e1}} \mathbf{L}^{e\top} \mathbf{K}^e(\theta_i) \mathbf{L}^e \\ &= \sum_{e=1}^{n_{e1}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_t} \left[ \int_{\Omega_e} \mathbf{L}^{e\top} \mathbf{B}^{e\top} \mathcal{C}^\ell \mathbf{B}^e \mathbf{L}^e d\Omega \right] \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} \phi_j^{\ell,i}(\theta_j) \end{aligned}$$

## Post-process and Sensitivities

- PGD gives the displacement  $\mathbf{d}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{m=1}^n \beta^m \mathbf{d}^m \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} G_j^m(\theta_j)$
- The parametric strain tensor is a linear output of the overall displacements  $\mathbf{d}$
- The parametric stress tensor  $\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathcal{C}(\theta_i) \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  with  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_g^m = \mathbf{B}_g^e \mathbf{L}^e \mathbf{d}^m$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_t} \beta^m \mathbf{C}^\ell \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_g^m \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} \phi_j^{\ell,i}(\theta_j) G_j^m(\theta_j)$$

- Using the parametric stress tensor and the transformed strength tensors, the failure index could be reconstructed:

$$\mathcal{I}_L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_g^\top \mathbf{F}(\theta_i) \text{ and } \mathcal{I}_Q(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_g^\top \mathcal{F}(\theta_i) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_g$$

# Failure Vademecums

- The expressions for the quadratic and linear terms:

$$\mathcal{I}_Q(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})) = \sum_{b=1}^{n_Q} \tilde{\gamma}^b \tilde{A}_g^b \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} \tilde{H}_j^{b,i}(\theta_j) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{I}_L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})) = \sum_{v=1}^{n_L} \hat{\gamma}^v \hat{A}_g^v \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} \hat{H}_j^{v,i}(\theta_j)$$

- The final expression for the failure index  $\mathcal{I}_f$  is readily recovered by summing up  $\mathcal{I}_Q$  and  $\mathcal{I}_L$

$$\mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})) = \mathcal{I}_Q(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})) + \mathcal{I}_L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_g(\boldsymbol{\theta})) = \sum_{f=1}^{n_Q+n_L} \gamma^f A_g^f \prod_{j=1}^{n_p} H_j^{f,i}(\theta_j)$$

- The quantities  $\gamma^f$ ,  $A_g^f$  and  $H_j^{f,i}(\theta_j)$  depend on the index  $f$

$$\gamma^f, A_g^f, H_g^f = \begin{cases} \tilde{\gamma}^f, \tilde{A}_g^f, \tilde{H}_g^f & \text{if } f \leq n_Q \\ \hat{\gamma}^{f-n_Q}, \hat{A}_g^{f-n_Q}, \hat{H}_g^{f-n_Q} & \text{if } f > n_Q \end{cases}$$

## Failure Index $\mathcal{I}_f$ Sensitivities

- The gradient of the failure index  $\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ :

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} = \sum_{f=1}^{n_q+n_L} \gamma^f A_g^f \left[ \frac{dH_k^{f,i}}{d\theta_k}(\theta_k) \right] \prod_{j \neq k}^{n_p} H_j^{f,i}(\theta_j)$$

- For optimization methods requiring the Hessian matrix, for  $k \neq \tilde{k}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k \partial \theta_{\tilde{k}}} = \sum_{f=1}^{n_q+n_L} \gamma^f A_g^f \left[ \frac{dH_k^{f,i}}{d\theta_k}(\theta_k) \frac{dH_{\tilde{k}}^{f,i}}{d\theta_{\tilde{k}}}(\theta_{\tilde{k}}) \right] \prod_{j \neq k, \tilde{k}}^{n_p} H_j^{f,i}(\theta_j)$$

- And for the diagonal terms

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{I}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k^2} = \sum_{f=1}^{n_q+n_L} \gamma^f A_g^f \left[ \frac{d^2 H_k^{f,i}}{d\theta_k^2}(\theta_k) \right] \prod_{j \neq k}^{n_p} H_j^{f,i}(\theta_j)$$

## Safety Factor $\lambda_s$ Sensitivities

- The gradient of the safety factor  $\nabla_{\theta} \lambda_s(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ :

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_q(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} = \sum_{b=1}^{n_q} \tilde{\gamma}^b \tilde{A}_g^f \left[ \frac{d\tilde{H}_k^{b,i}}{d\theta_k}(\theta_k) \right] \prod_{j \neq k}^{n_p} \tilde{H}_j^{b,i}(\theta_j)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} = \sum_{v=1}^{n_L} \hat{\gamma}^v \hat{A}_g^f \left[ \frac{d\hat{H}_k^{v,i}}{d\theta_k}(\theta_k) \right] \prod_{j \neq k}^{n_p} \hat{H}_j^{v,i}(\theta_j)$$

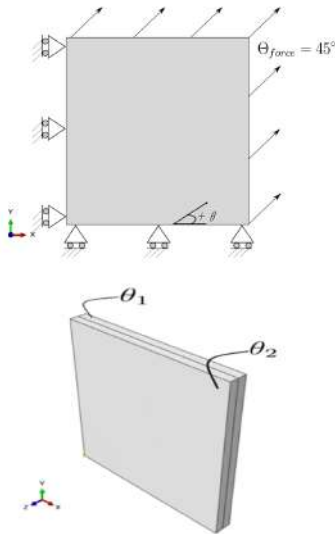
- Recalling the safety factor expression, and applying the quotient rule for derivatives of divisions

$$\lambda_s(\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})) = \frac{-\mathcal{I}_L + \sqrt{\mathcal{I}_L^2 + 4\mathcal{I}_q}}{2\mathcal{I}_q}$$

$$\frac{\partial \lambda_s(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} = \frac{\mathcal{I}_q \left[ -\frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} + 0.5(\mathcal{I}_L^2 + 4\mathcal{I}_q)^{-1/2} \cdot \left( 2\mathcal{I}_L \frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} + 4 \frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_q(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_q(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} \left[ -\mathcal{I}_L + \sqrt{\mathcal{I}_L^2 + 4\mathcal{I}_q} \right]}{2\mathcal{I}_q^2}$$

# Plate under tensile load: Description

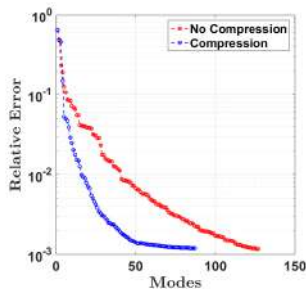
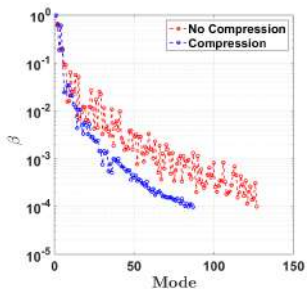
- **Plate dimensions:**  $60 \times 60 \times 6 \text{ mm}^3$ .
- **Type and number of elements:** Serendipity 800 elements.
- **Parameters range:**  
 $\theta_1 \in I_1 = [-90^\circ, 90^\circ]$   
 $\theta_2 \in I_2 = [-90^\circ, 90^\circ]$ .
- **Parametric mesh:** 181 nodes.
- **Material:** Carbon Fibre ABS.



## Plate under tensile load: PGD performance

- The stopping criterion for computing terms is controlled by  $\xi = \frac{\beta^m}{\beta^1}$ .
- The number of modes is reduced by 31.5% in the compressed solution.
- The relative error between FE and PGD is 0.1%

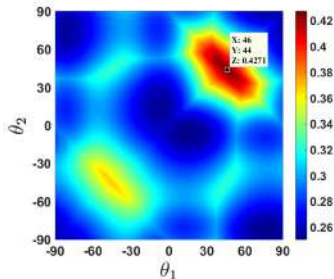
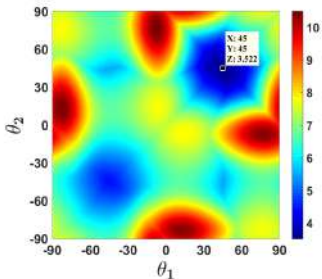
$$\varepsilon_{glob} = \frac{\|d_{PGD} - d_{FE}\|_{\Omega \times I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n_p}}}{\|d_{FE}\|_{\Omega \times I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n_p}}}$$





# Plate under tensile load: Optimization output

- Maps represent the objective functions in the parametric space.
- The optimal  $(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (45^\circ, 45^\circ)$ .

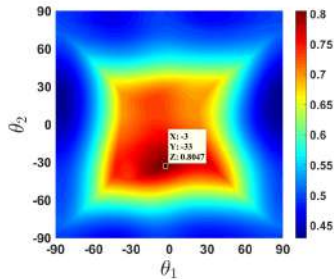
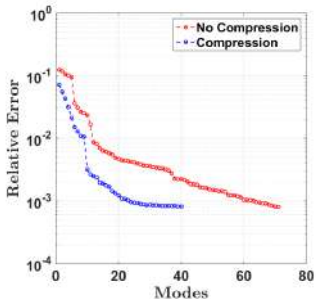
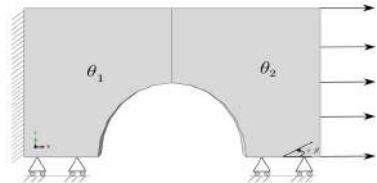


## CPU time

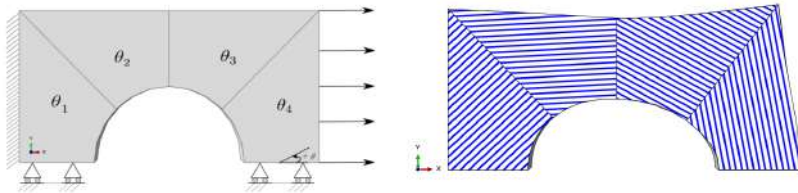
- The CPU time for the FE whole solution is  $\sim 6.5$  days with 32761 FE solves.
- The CPU time for the offline PGD solution is  $\sim 2.5$  hours and the online browsing is in seconds.

# Plate with circular hole under tensile load: Two parameters

- No more symmetry in the optimal solution due to patches of elements.
- The optimal solution is ambiguous due to the hole existence.
- The compression yields a reduction in the number of modes 43.5%.



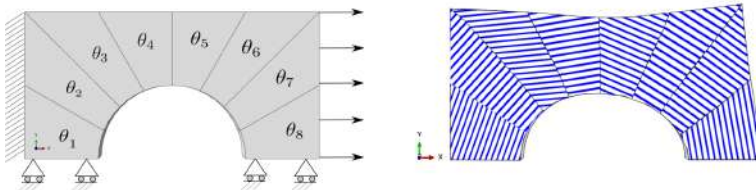
# Plate with circular hole under tensile load: Four parameters



Optimal Angles		
	ga function	fmincon function
$\theta_1$	42°	42.062°
$\theta_2$	3°	2.9944°
$\theta_3$	-22°	-22.4586°
$\theta_4$	-83°	-84.1544°
Index value	$\max(\min \lambda_s) = 0.8254$	$\max(\min \lambda_s) = 0.8255$
CPU time	~ 40 min	~ 1 min

**Table:** Optimized angles for square plate with circular hole using the safety factor as objective function.

# Plate with circular hole under tensile load: Eight parameters



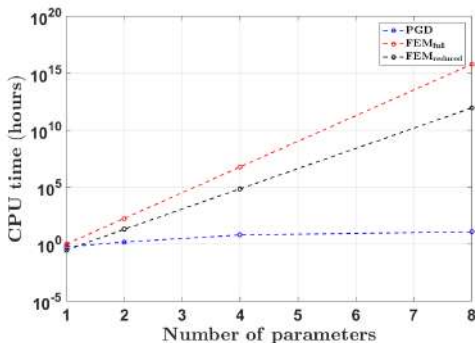
Optimized angles of the safety factor using GA

# of GA evaluations	1000	10,000	100,000	1,000,000
$\theta_1$	81°	86°	70°	84°
$\theta_2$	42°	43°	42°	41°
$\theta_3$	5°	6°	6°	4°
$\theta_4$	-6°	8°	8°	-20°
$\theta_5$	-20°	-21°	-23°	17°
$\theta_6$	-24°	-25°	-26°	-51°
$\theta_7$	-26°	-25°	-30°	-61°
$\theta_8$	45°	-86°	-85°	-82°
$\max(\lambda_s)$	0.8249	0.8803	0.879	0.8501
CPU time	~ 1.2 min	~ 12 min	~ 120 min	~ 1300 min

Table: Different number of evaluations yielding different GA precision

## Plate with circular hole under tensile load: Computational cost

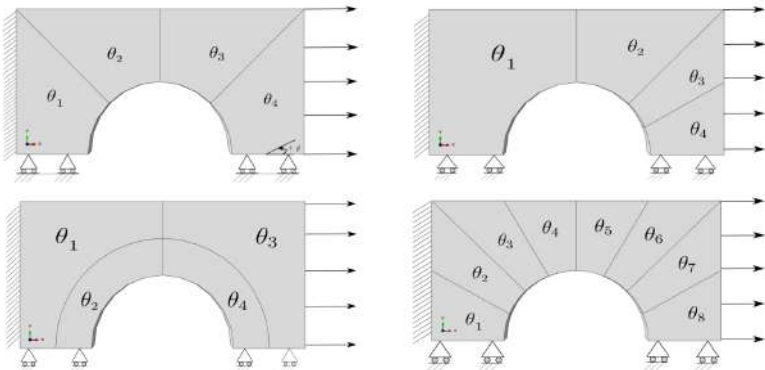
- **Four parameters:** PGD provides a solution in  $\sim 30$  hours while computing the standard FE solution at every parametric point would take  $\sim 10^6$  hours.
- **Eight parameters:** PGD provides a solution in  $\sim 42$  hours while computing the standard FE solution at every parametric point would take  $\sim 10^{16}$  hours.



The computational cost is drastically reduced when using PGD!

# Domain decomposition strategy: Introduction

- Changing the partitioning patterns and increasing the number of partitions affects the optimal fibre orientation results.
- Increasing the number of subdomains does not guarantee fast convergence



We need to find a smarter partitioning strategy!!!

## Domain decomposition strategy: Clustering algorithm steps

- Clustering techniques are unsupervised learning techniques such as: K-means, hierarchical clustering.
- Clustering aims to group elements having similar features in a data set into coherent groups.
- The clustering strategy is applied as a preprocess before solving the mechanical problem using PGD.

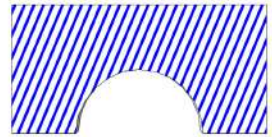
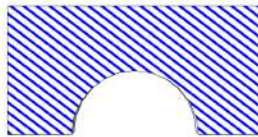
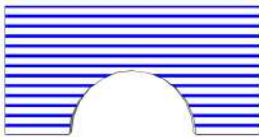
### Clustering techniques for efficient partitioning of the domain

- 1 **Preanalyses:** snapshots of the system at each finite element for different orientations are taken and stored.
- 2 **Principal Component Analysis:** responsible for the data transformation from correlated fields to uncorrelated new components.
- 3 **Clustering of factors and their intersection:** the clustering techniques are applied to the factors (components) obtained from PCA.
- 4 **Error computation and clustering optimization:** clustering optimization in order to find the best clusters representing the data.

# Domain decomposition strategy: Clustering algorithm steps

## Prealyses

- Collecting as much data as possible.
- The data represents a quantity of interest taken at different fibres configurations in each FE.
- More data  $\Rightarrow$  accurate results.
- We assume a unidirectional laminate in each single snapshot.
- The quantity of interest is the safety factor at each element.
- The data is stored, in the  $n_{el} \times N_c$  matrix  $\tilde{\lambda}_s$ , to be manipulated and analyzed.





# Domain decomposition strategy: Clustering algorithm steps

## Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- PCA reduces the dimensionality of the data while maintaining its variance as high as possible.
- First we find the covariance matrix

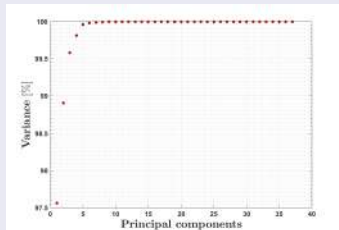
$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{n_{el}} \tilde{\lambda}_s^T \tilde{\lambda}_s$$

- We then solve for the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  and the eigenvectors  $v^i$
- The factors or principal components are defined

$$f^i = \tilde{\lambda}_s v^i$$

- The eigenvalues expressed in terms of the obtained factors

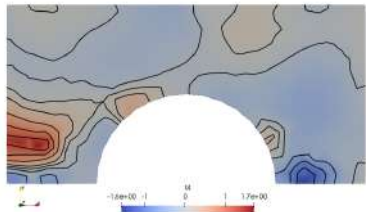
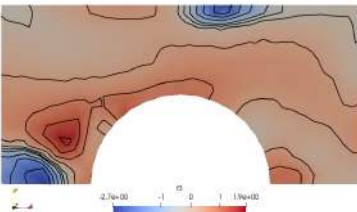
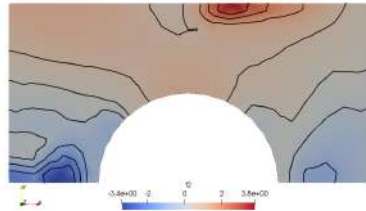
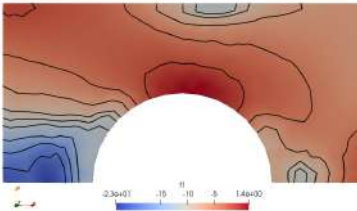
$$\lambda_i = \frac{1}{n_{el}} \sum_{j=1}^{n_{el}} (f_j^i - \hat{f}^i)^2 \quad \text{with } \lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_{N_c}$$



# Domain decomposition strategy: Clustering algorithm steps

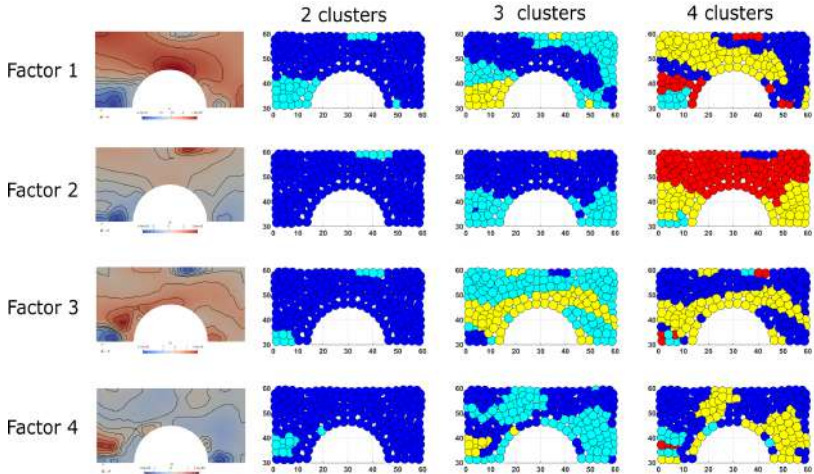
## First four factors from PCA:

Factors based on the safety factor data  $\tilde{\lambda}_s$  that will be clustered using the K-means algorithm



# Domain decomposition strategy: Clustering of factors

## K-means clustering of four factors



## Domain decomposition strategy: Error computation

- **Our goal:** find the best partition  $\mathcal{P}$
- The optimization objective is to minimize the error measure called Sum of Squares Error (SSE) [Alaimo et al. (2019)].
- SSE is a measure of discrepancy between the data of an element and the average of the data in the cluster where the element belongs.

$$E(\mathcal{P}) = \sum_{s=1}^{N_c} E^s(\mathcal{P}) = \frac{1}{E_{max}} \sum_{s=1}^{N_c} \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_s} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\ell}(\mathcal{P})} (\omega_i^s - \bar{\omega}_{,\ell}^s)^2$$
$$E_{max} = \sum_{s=1}^{N_c} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{e1}} (\omega_i^s - \bar{\omega}^s)^2$$

- Each finite element is a cluster on its own  $n_s = n_{e1} \Rightarrow E(\mathcal{P}) = 0\%$
- Partition  $\mathcal{P}$  consists of only one cluster  $n_s = 1 \Rightarrow E(\mathcal{P}) = 100\%$

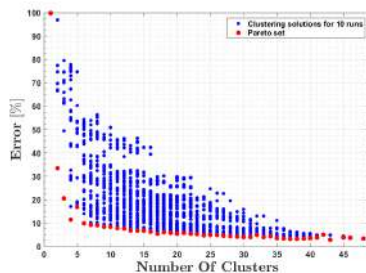
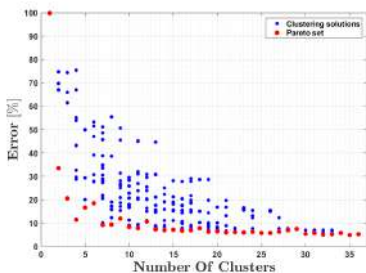
## Domain decomposition strategy: Clustering optimization

- The clustering multi-objective problem is defined as

$$\mathcal{P}^{\text{Opt}} = \arg \min_{\mathcal{P}} \{E(\mathcal{P}), \mathbf{n}_s(\mathcal{P})\} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathcal{P} \in \mathbb{P}$$

- There exists a *Pareto optimality situation*.
- A *Pareto set* has optimization solutions that are superior to the rest of the solutions in the search space  $\mathbb{P}$ .
- The solutions among the set do not dominate each other.
- A partition  $\mathcal{P}_1$  is said to dominate another partition  $\mathcal{P}_2$  only when the following inequalities hold

$$\begin{array}{l} E(\mathcal{P}_1) \leq E(\mathcal{P}_2) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{n}_s(\mathcal{P}_1) \leq \mathbf{n}_s(\mathcal{P}_2) \\ E(\mathcal{P}_1) < E(\mathcal{P}_2) \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{n}_s(\mathcal{P}_1) < \mathbf{n}_s(\mathcal{P}_2) \end{array}$$

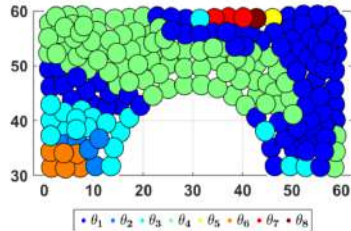
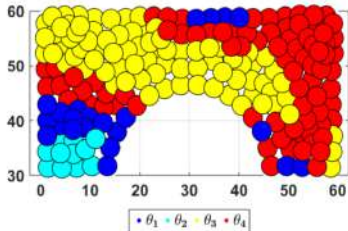


Pareto set error comparison				
	Stress based clusters		Safety factor based clusters	
	4 clusters	8 clusters	4 clusters	8 clusters
K-means single run	38%	29%	11.5%	9.5%
K-means 10 runs	37%	29%	11.2%	9.1%
Ward's method	41%	26%	11.9%	9.3%

**Table:** Pareto set error comparison between K-means with a single run, K-means with 10 runs, and Ward's method

# Domain decomposition strategy: Clustered domains

Optimal domain decomposition obtained from the clustering algorithm



	Domain with 4 parameters	Domain with 8 parameters
Stress based clustering with K-means	0.7863	0.8788
Stress based clustering with Ward's	0.8653	0.9037
Transformed safety factor clustering with K-means	<b>1.013</b>	<b>0.9934</b>
Transformed safety factor clustering with Ward's	0.7973	0.8244
Based on intuition	0.8254	0.879

**Table:** Safety factor index  $\lambda_s$  obtained from PGD based on different domain parameterization

## Domain decomposition strategy: Experimental testing

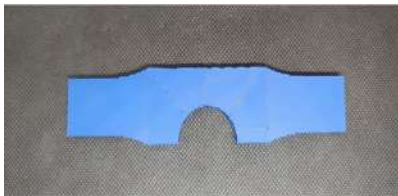
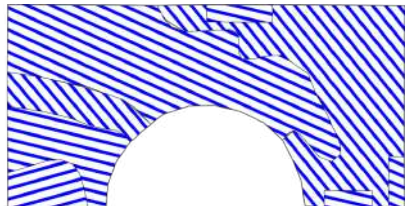
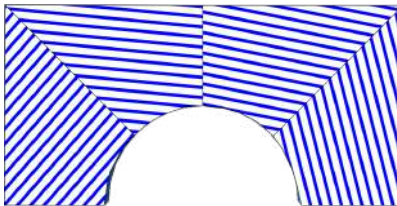
### Experimental testing for the validation of the model using 3D printing

- ① **Simulation and analysis:** Run the model to obtain optimal fibre orientation in different domains.
- ② **Specimen preparation and 3D printing:** The preparation of the STL files of the components to be printed and slicing the part for the G-Code generation.
- ③ **Tensile test and monitor results:** Perform traction on the part until failure occurs and then record the corresponding load for comparison.

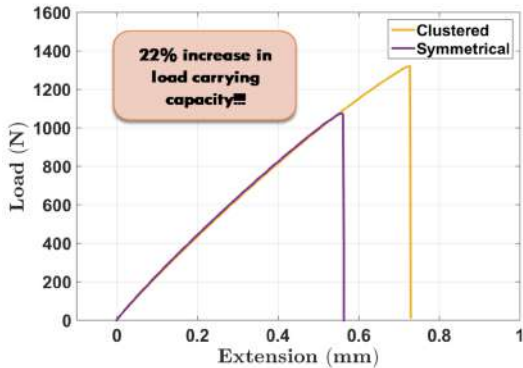
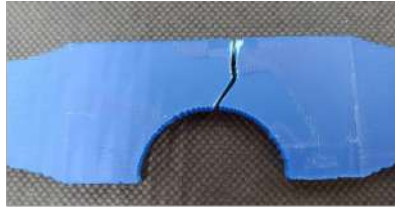
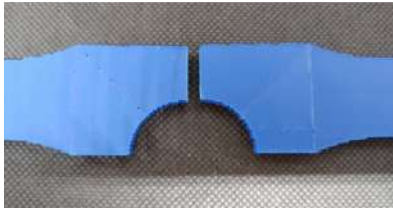


# Domain decomposition strategy: Experimental tests

Optimal fibre orientation in optimized partitions in the domain



# Domain decomposition strategy: Experimental tests



## Conclusions

- PGD reduces the computational cost significantly.
- Applying the encapsulated PGD concept facilitates the manipulation of high-dimensional data.
- Using PGD in optimization problems is extremely efficient since we have the whole space of solutions available.
- Applying clustering techniques as a pre-process leads to better optimization results.
- The whole methodology opens the door for customized mechanical components.
- Experimental tests show the improvement in the load carrying capacity of the optimized 3D printed components
- The clustering techniques approach reduces the CPU time for the PGD.

## Future work

- **Enhancement of the model:**

From the PGD point of view, it is important to enhance the vademecum by including geometrical parameterization, load location parameter, and boundary conditions parameterization.

- **Programming languages:**

From the programming point of view, the PGD package could be implemented using high-efficiency languages such as C/C++ and/or FORTRAN. Moreover, modern simulation applications on smartphones could be developed to make use of the fast response of the PGD vademecums.

- **Error estimation:**

Obtaining an error estimator of a quantity of interest to be able to accurately choose the stopping criterion for the greedy algorithm in the PGD.

- **Additive manufacturing:**

The need to explore the possibility of printing continuous fibres with the aim of enhancing the mechanical properties of 3D printed components by avoiding jumps between partitions.

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