



topology optimization with LS-TaSC and Genesis/ESL for crash-loading

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KMU-innovative project (BMBF)



→ topic:

methodical and software-technical implementation of topology optimization for crash-stressed vehicle structures

→ sponsor:



Bundesministerium
für Bildung
und Forschung

project execution organization:



→ cooperation:



→ associated partner:

Adam Opel AG, Daimler AG, Dr.-Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG, Constellium / Alcan GmbH,
Benteler Aluminum Systems Norway AS

→ process chain of cooperation partners:

1st step:

pre-optimization with LS-TaSC (HCA) / Genesis/ESL - DYNAmore

2nd step:

interpretation of topology as shell structure (SFE CONCEPT - SFE)

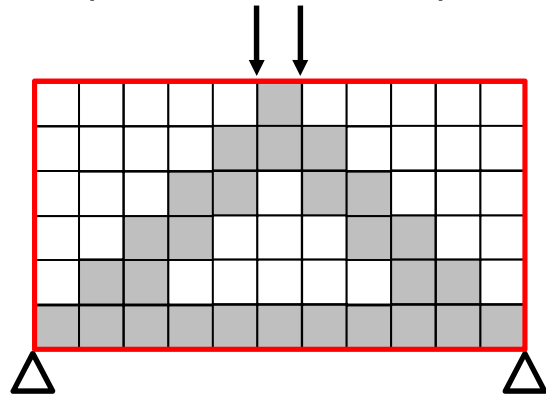
3rd step :

topology optimization of shell struct. via graph method (GRAMB, TOC) - HAW Hamburg

non-linear topology optimization

topology optimization

within design space:
complete freedom to find an
optimal structural shape



design variables:

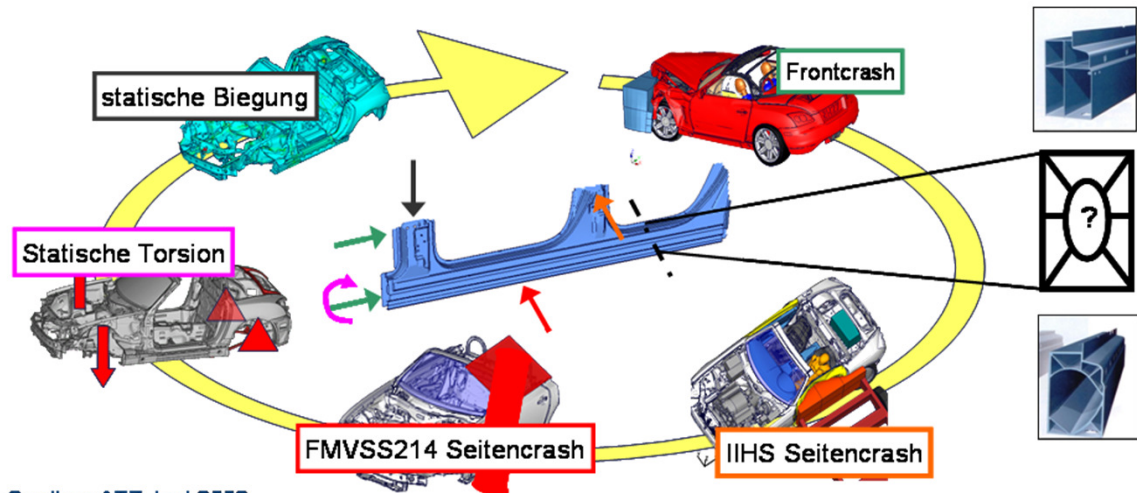
relative density within the
finite elements

result:

pixelated material distribution
topology of the structure

→ state of art: *linear* topology optimization

→ new: topology optimization for crash-stressed vehicle structures



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dynamic, contact, nonlinear material behavior, large deformations

→ two approaches:

- LS-TaSC: Hybrid Cellular Automata Method (HCA)
- Genesis/ESL: Equivalent Static Loads Method

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LS-TaSC / HCA - method

- **origin:** PhD-thesis Neal M. Patel:
“Crashworthiness Design using Topology Optimization” University Notre Dame (Indiana, US)

- **heuristic method**

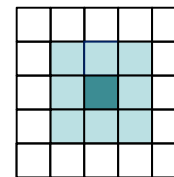
- **objective: homogenization of internal energy density:** $IED = \int_{\varepsilon=0}^{\varepsilon^{final}} \sigma d\varepsilon$

➔ density distribution ρ_{rel} is adapted, so that $\widetilde{IED} \approx const$ for given mass

➔ density ρ_{rel} is increased in the area of high \widetilde{IED} ,
density ρ_{rel} is reduced in the area of low \widetilde{IED}

- **smoothing of internal energy density \widetilde{IED}**

typical neighborhood (Cellular Automata):

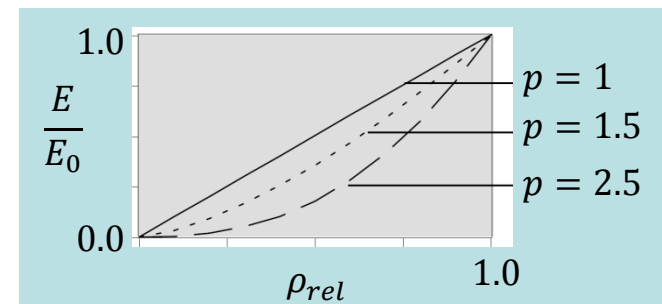


8 neighbors (2D)
26 neighbors (3D)

- **material parameterization with SIMP-model**

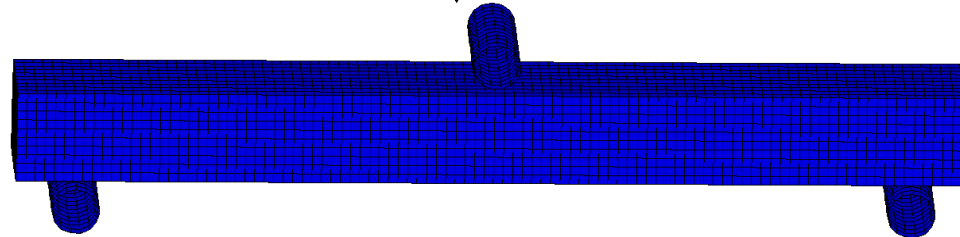
e.g.: $E(x, \rho_{rel}) = (\rho_{rel}(x))^p E_0$

➔ obtain a 0.0-or-1.0 density distribution



illustrating example LS-TaSC (HCA)

$$v_0 = 10000 \text{ mm/s} \downarrow$$



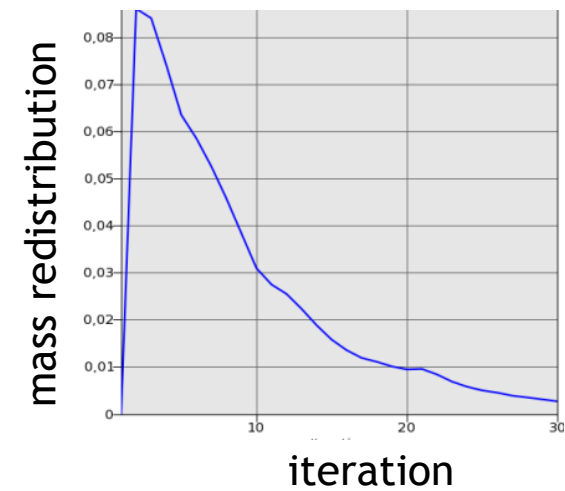
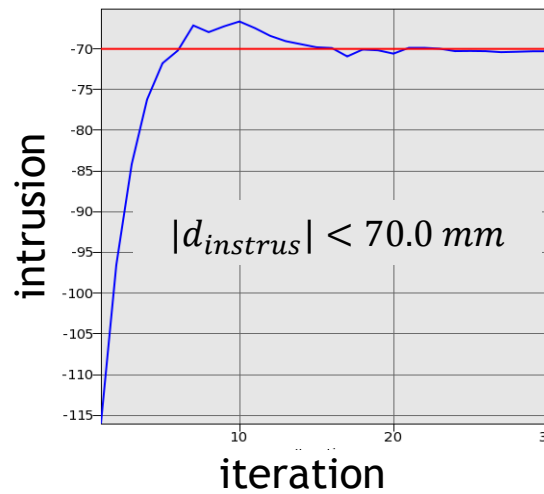
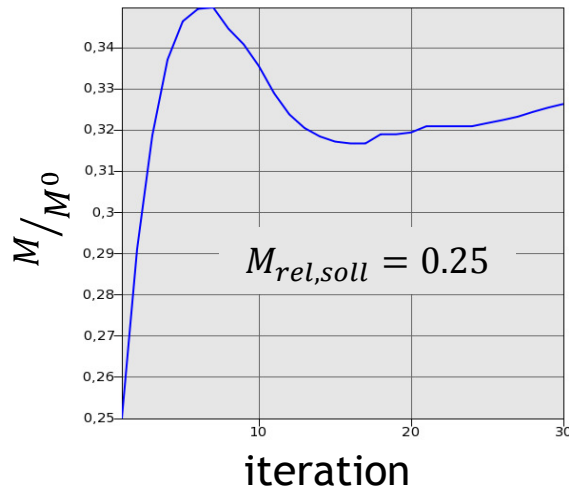
constraints: $M_{rel,expect} = 0.25$ $|d_{intrusion}| < 70.0 \text{ mm}$



mass constraint:

displacement constraint:

convergence:



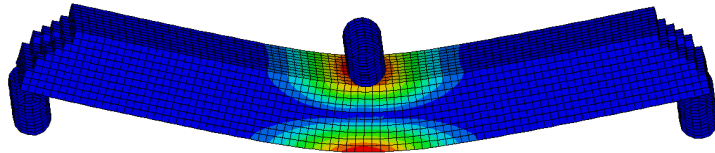
constraints: search for minimal mass, that fulfills displacement constraint

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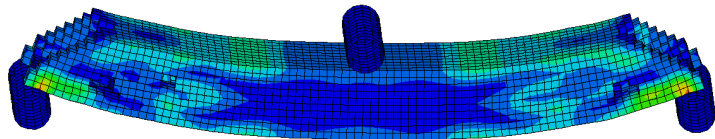
1st iteration: $\rho_{rel} = 0.25$ all over the design space

structural analysis: $IED [0, 22.0 \text{ N/mm}^2]$

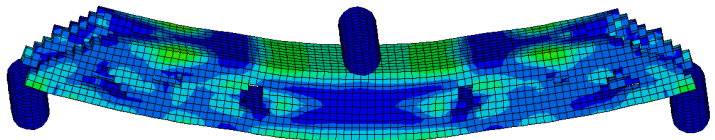
4th iteration:



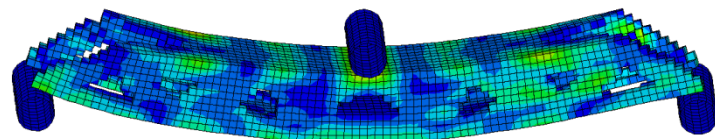
9th iteration:



15th iteration:

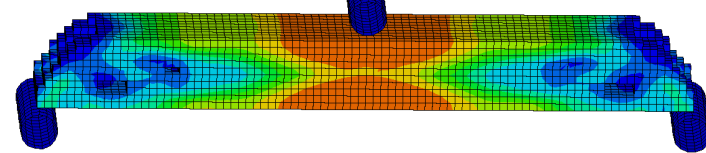


25th iteration:

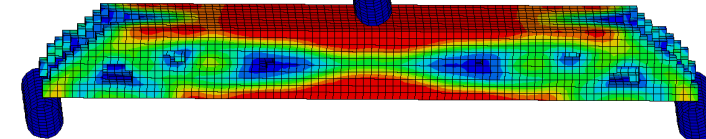


density update: $\rho_{rel} [0,1]$

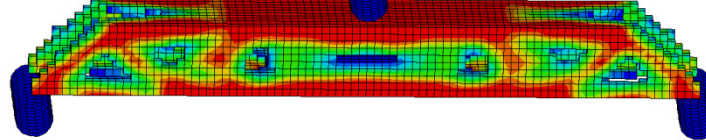
7th iteration:



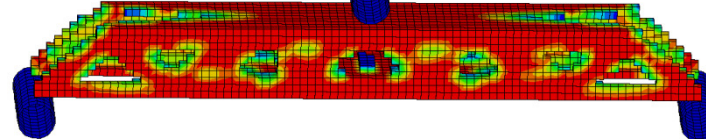
12th iteration:



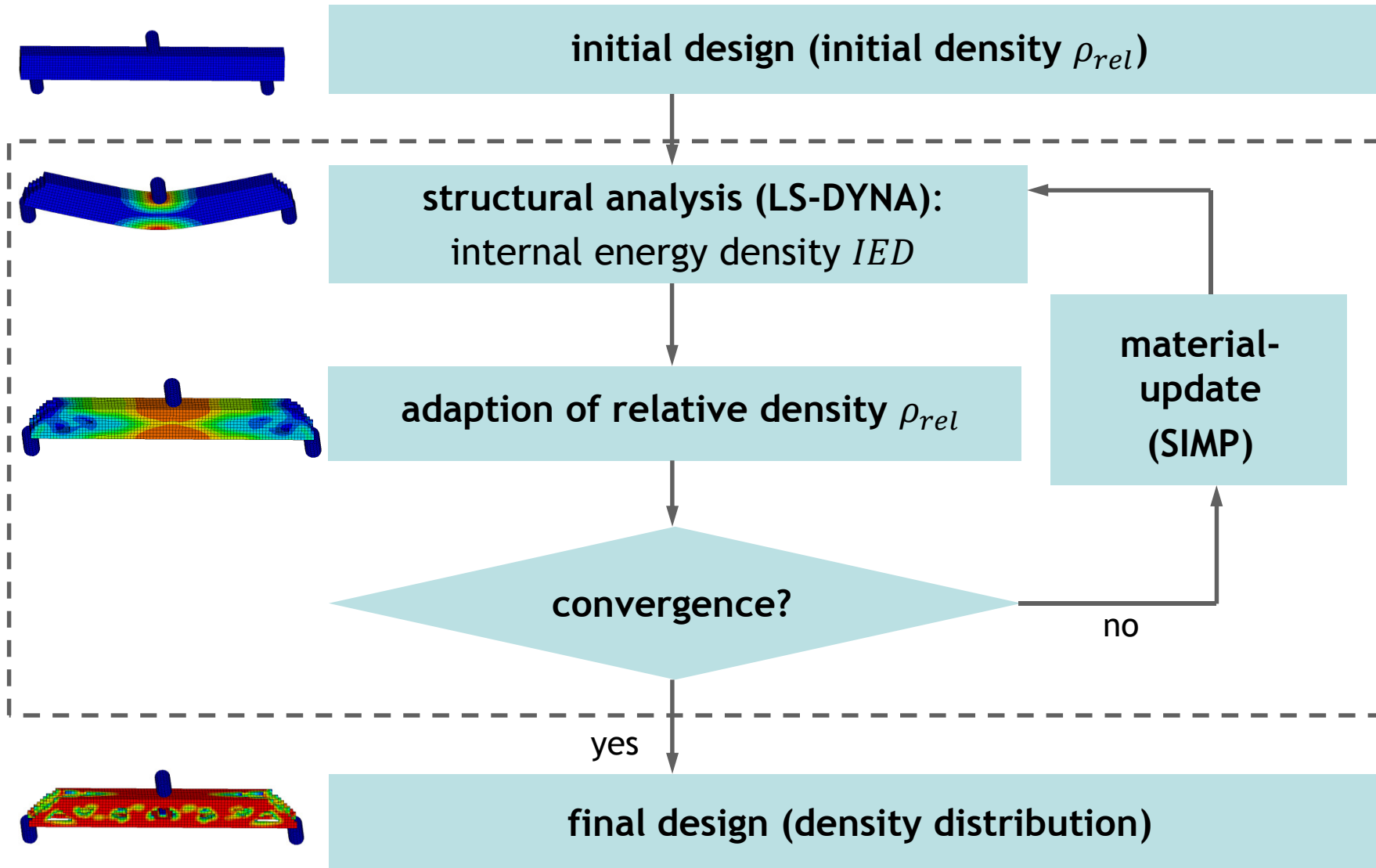
18th iteration:



30th iteration:



LS-TaSC / HCA- algorithm



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- HCA - method (LS-TaSC)

- **ESL - method (Genesis/ESL)**

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- **origin:**

Hanyang University, Korea:

Shin MK, Park KJ, Park GJ (2007):” *Optimization of structures with nonlinear behavior using equivalent load*”, *Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg.*

- **idea:**

break down the nonlinear dynamic optimization task into:

nonlinear dynamic structural analysis → displacement field

equivalent static loads for selected time steps (time discretization)

linear static multi-loading optimization

iterative process (convergence of objective and constraints fulfilled)

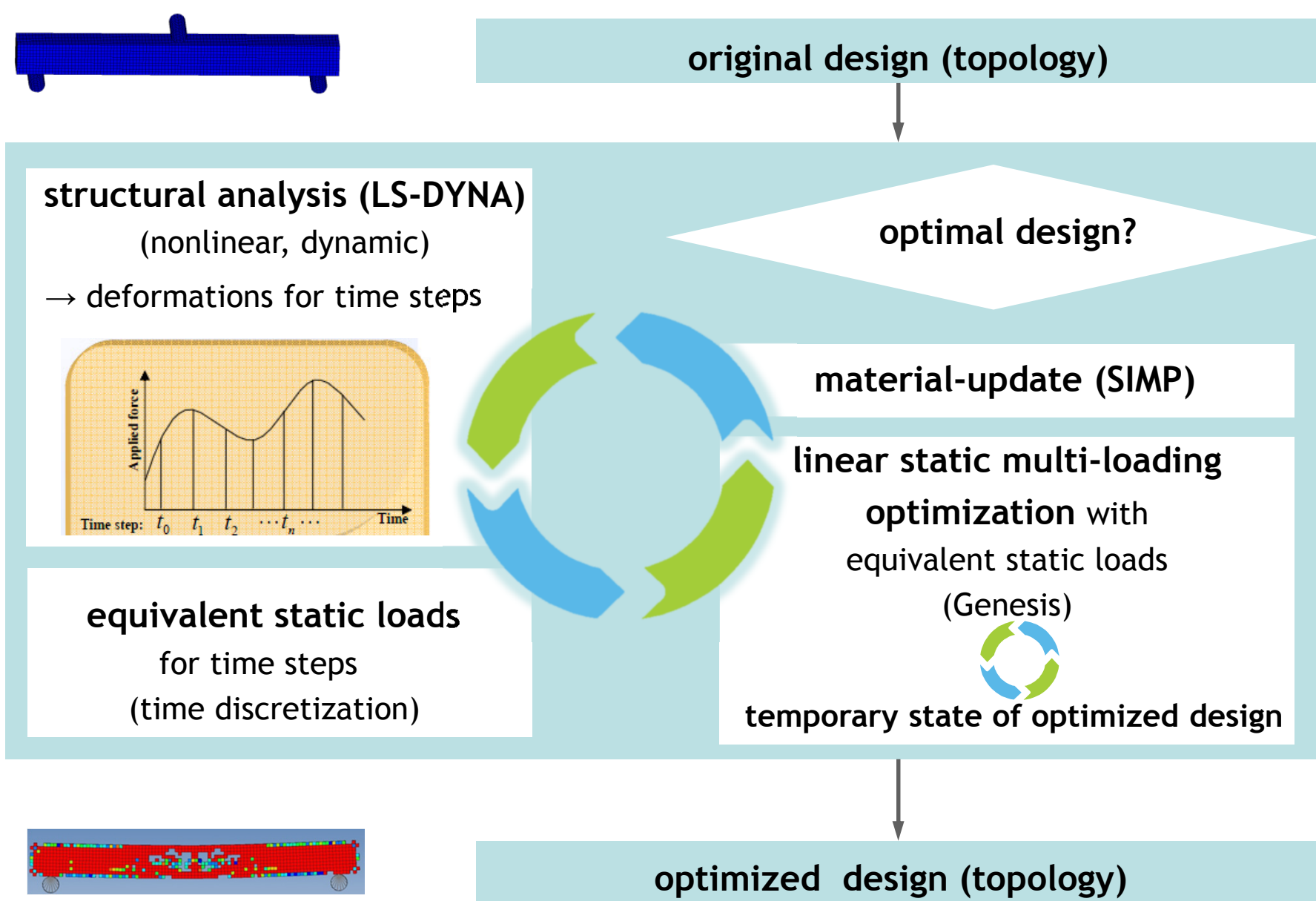
- **realization:**

nonlinear dynamic FE-Solver: **LS-DYNA (others possible)**

evaluation of the equivalent static loads: **Genesis/ESL**

linear optimizer: **Genesis**

Genesis/ESL: algorithm



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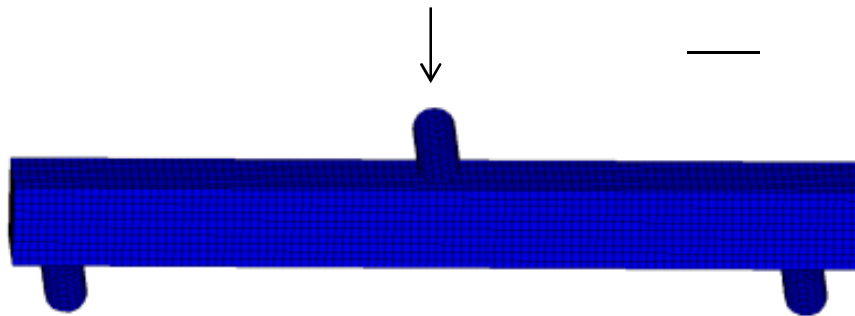
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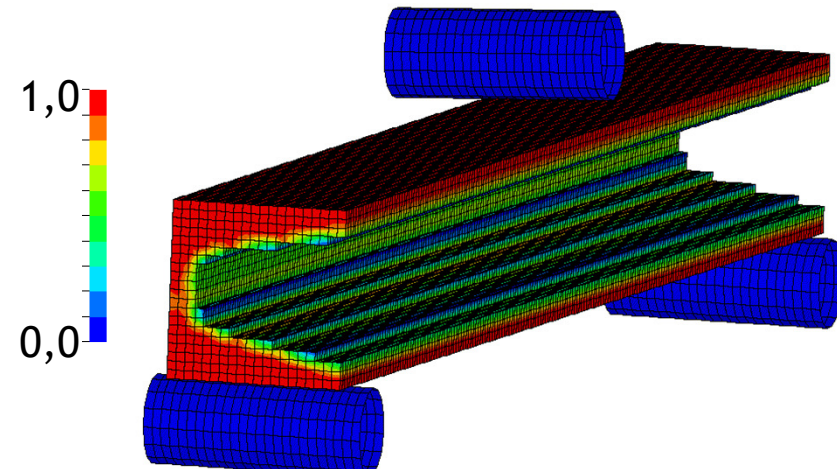
excentric impact LS-TaSC (HCA)

- objective: homogenization of internal energy density
- constraints:
 - mass:
 - displacement:
 - extrusion

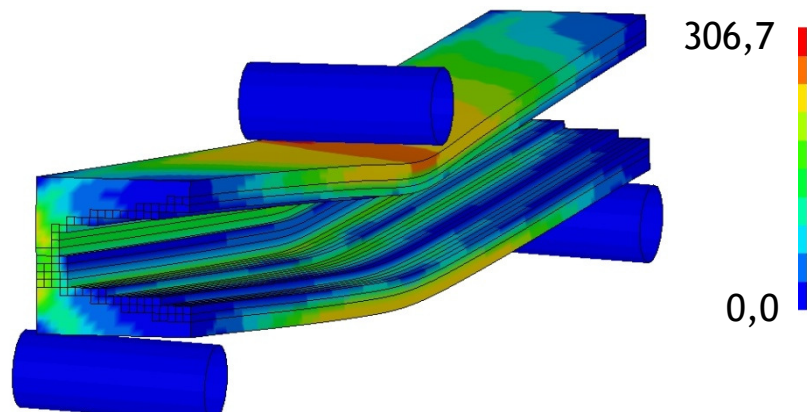
aluminum



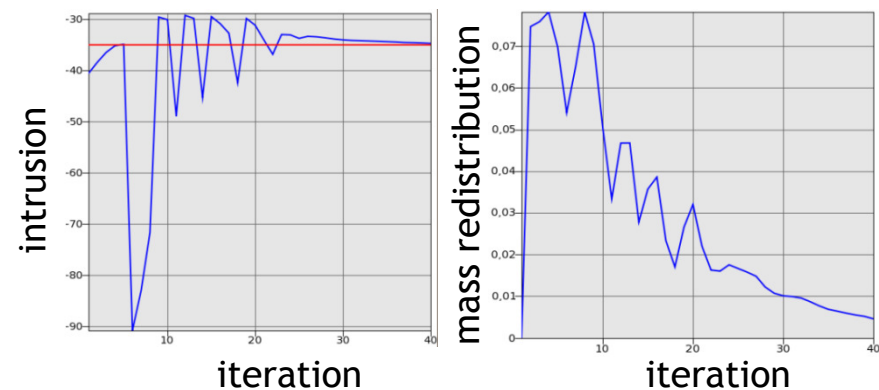
relative density



deformation, v.Mises stress, t= 0.012s

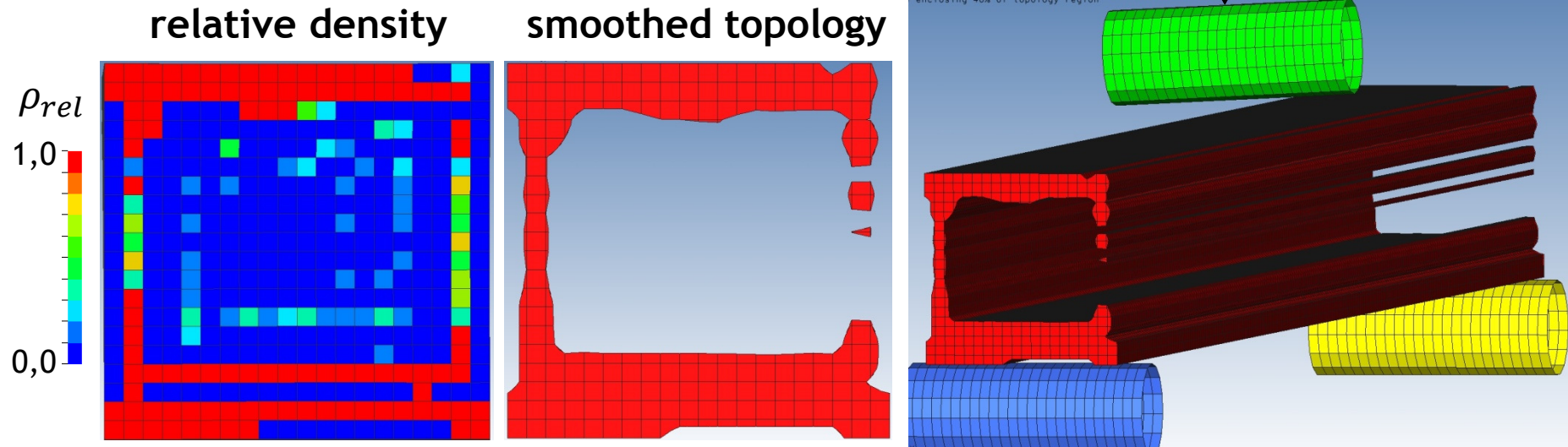


convergence



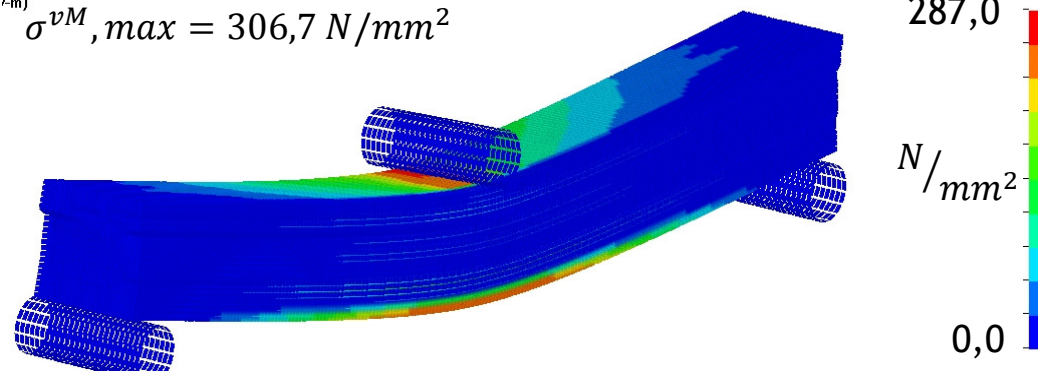
excentric impact Genesis/ESL

- objective: minimal internal energy
- constraints:
 - mass: $M_{rel,soll} = 0.25$
 - displacement: $|d_{ein}| < 35.0 \text{ mm}$
 - extrusion



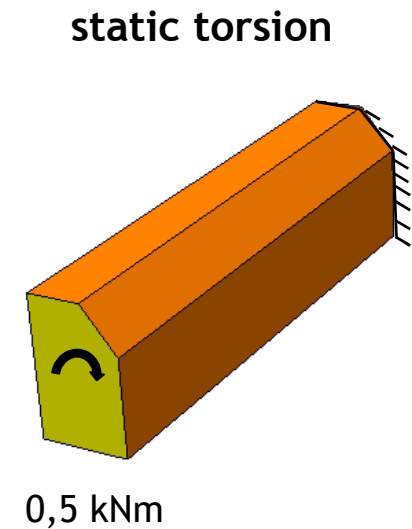
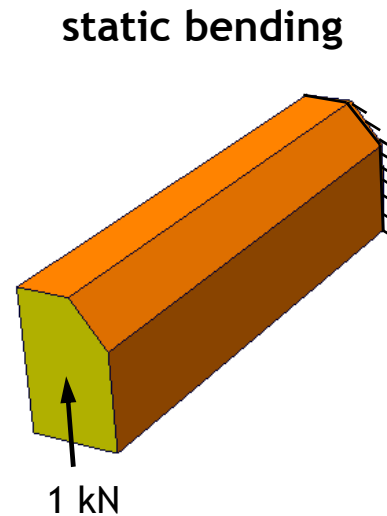
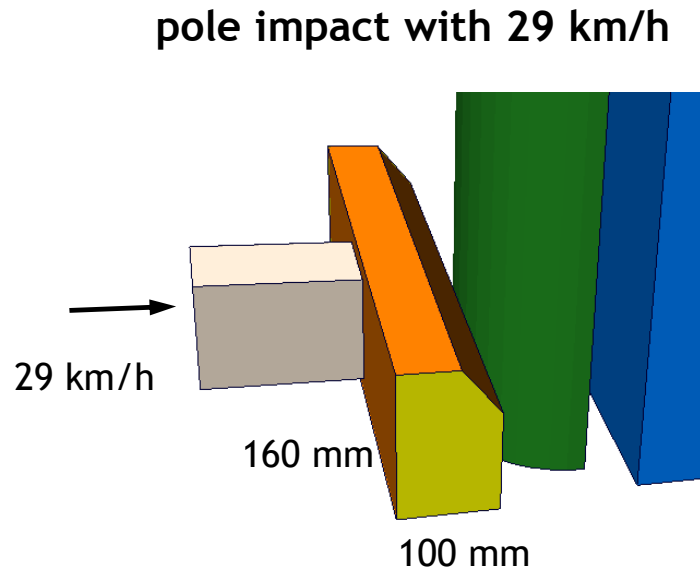
deformation, v.Mises stress, $t = 0.012s$

$\sigma^{vM}, max = 306,7 \text{ N/mm}^2$



topology optimization of a door sill

- part of a structure: door sill (model in collaboration with project partners)
- 3 loading cases:



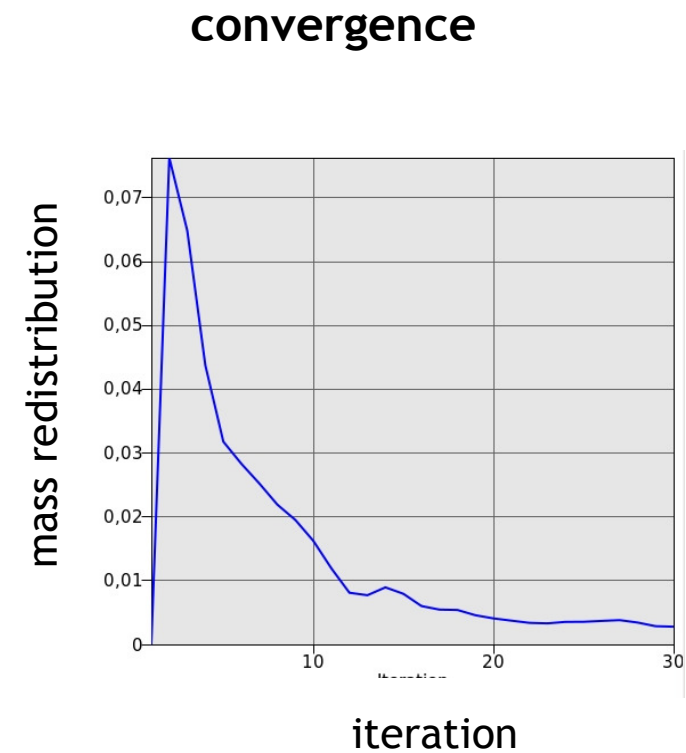
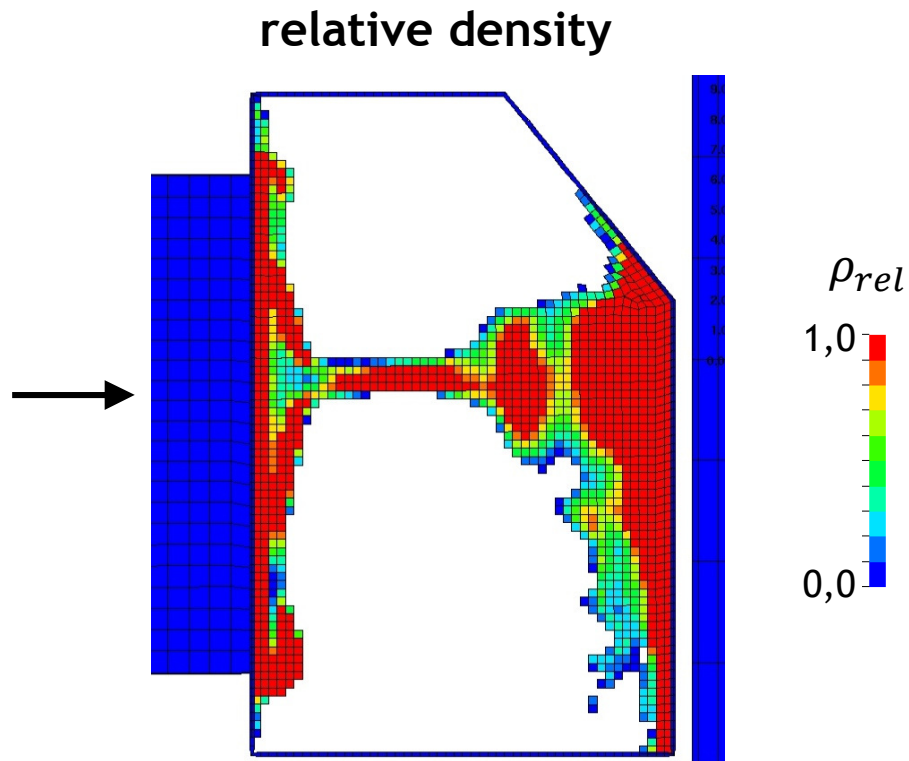
- door sill material: aluminum, extrusion profile, boundary shape is given

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LS-TaSC (HCA-method)

load case pole impact, shells with 1mm thickness on the boundary

- **objective:** homogenisation of internal energy density
- **constraints:** mass: $M_{rel,expect} = 0.25$
extrusion



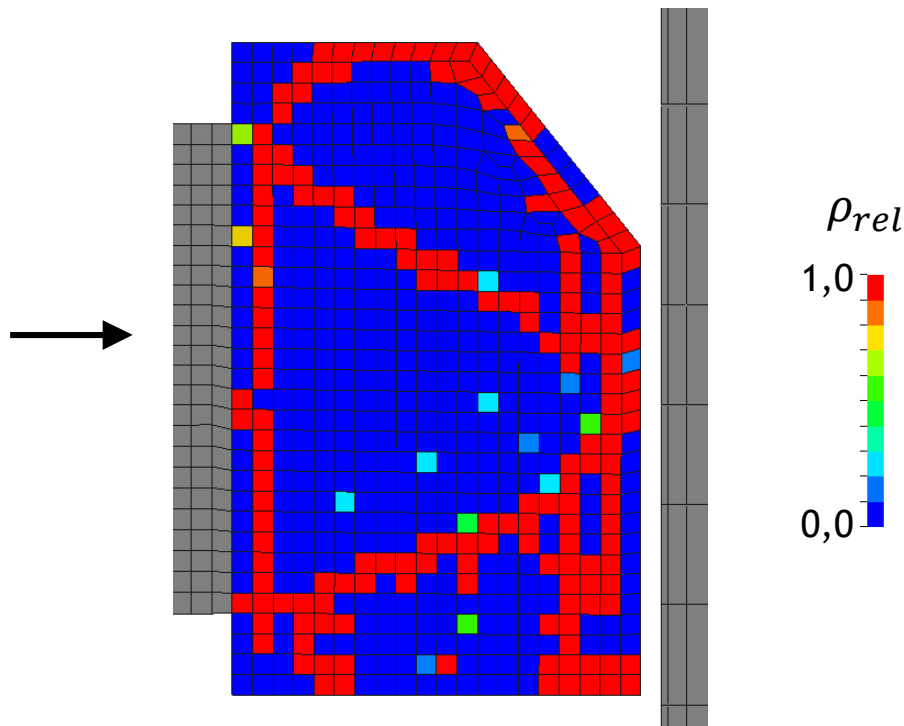
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Genesis/ESL

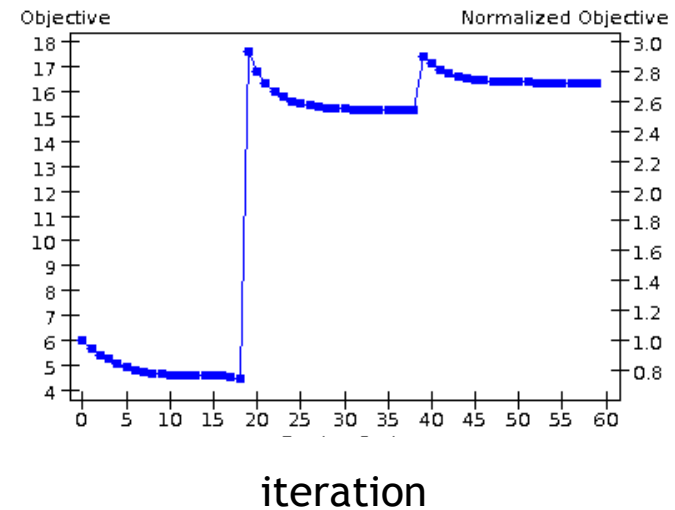
all 3 load cases, shells with 1mm thickness on the boundary

- **objective:** minimal internal energy
- **constraints:** mass: $M_{rel,expect} = 0.2$
extrusion

relative density



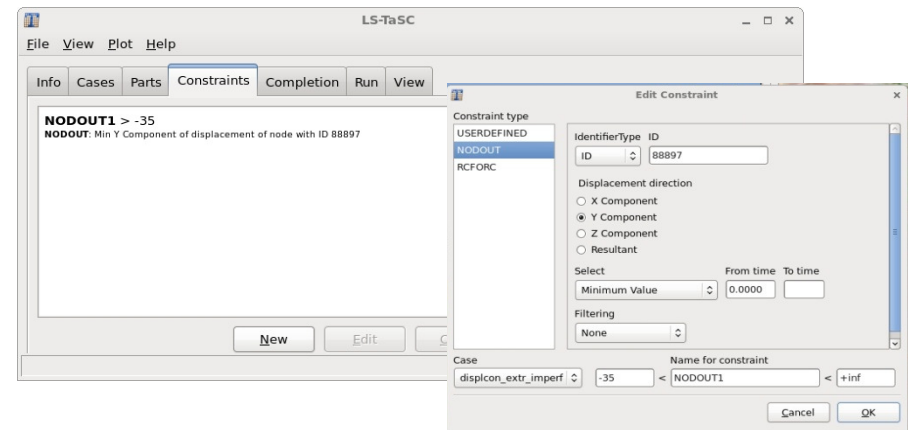
convergence



remarks to LS-TaSC (HCA)

- ➔ heuristic optimization method with obligatory objective: homogenization of *IED*. Does this objective fit?
- ➔ constraints: are introduced indirectly through adaption of mass constraint. I.e. the mass constraint cannot be fulfilled exactly for the case of further constraints.

➔ robust implementation, GUI is user friendly



➔ features of the actual version:

- different constraints are possible (displacements, accelerations, forces)
- nonlinear material behavior, large deformations
- multiloading optimization, weighting of the load cases
- manufacturing constraints as extrusion. Possible as well following curved lines, and with notches
- alternative objective: homogenization of the von Mises stress
- shell thickness optimization is possible as well

remarks to Genesis/ESL

- ➔ automatic process chain between LS-DYNA and Genesis, Genesis/ESL
- ➔ linear optimization includes an implicit analysis:
 - the related implicit Genesis-Nastran input file is automatically generated by Genesis
 - for some DYNA-Keywords this “translation” is not realized
 - workaround: Parser DYNA - Genesis-Nastran
- ➔ how far do simplifications of the method (linearization and multi loading instead of the dynamic process) reach?
 - check convergence (objective and constraints) with nonlinear dynamic analysis
 - store d3plot-files, d3hsp-files and the DYNA-input files of all ESL iterations
- ➔ check the Genesis-Nastran model: Deformation results due to equivalent static loads should agree with the deformation results of the LS-DYNA-analysis
- ➔ Genesis: well established software for linear optimization
 - gradient based optimization
 - ESL is not restricted to topology optimization. Shape optimization, sizing optimization, topometry optimization,... are possible as well.
 - numerous different objectives and constraints possible
 - multi-loading
 - fabrication constraints

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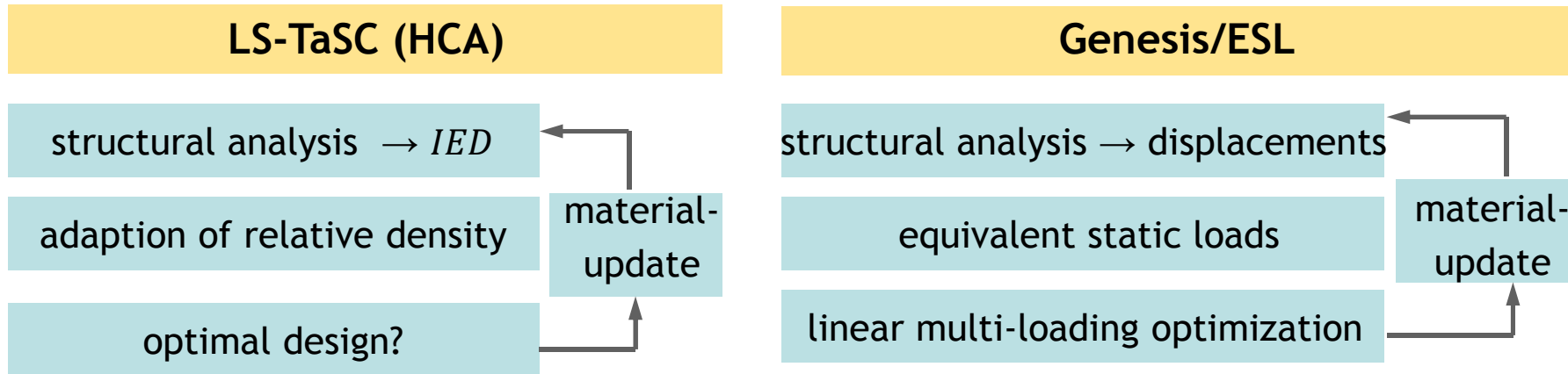
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summary, comparison of the methods

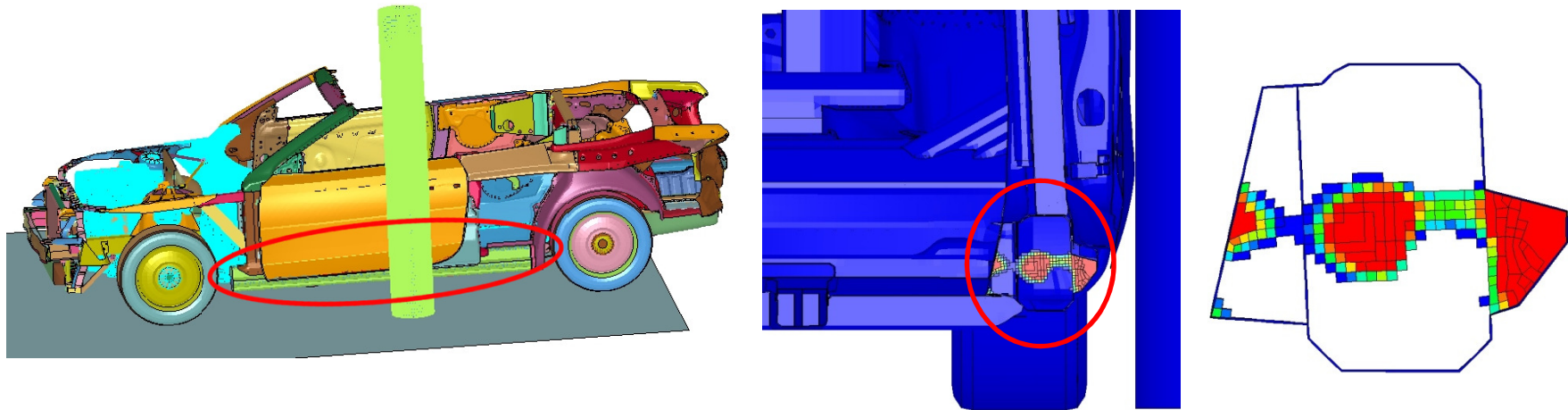


comparison of the methods:

- ➔ LS-TaSC and Genesis/ESL: reasonable optimization results for contact, dynamics, material and geometrical nonlinearity
- ➔ limit of HCA (LS-TaSC): objective determined, multiple constraints cannot be exactly fulfilled
- ➔ limit of ESL (Genesis/ESL): how far do the assumptions of linearization and multiple loadings instead of a dynamical process bear?

outlook

- in context of the process chain of the KMU innovative project:
refinement of the pre-optimized topologies by project partners
(interpretation of topology as shell structure, shape optimization)
- application of LS-TaSC (HCA) and Genesis/ESL to realistic crash model



- topometry optimization of a hood for passenger safety (head impact) with Genesis/ESL
- topometry optimization of a occupant cabin under crash with Genesis/ESL