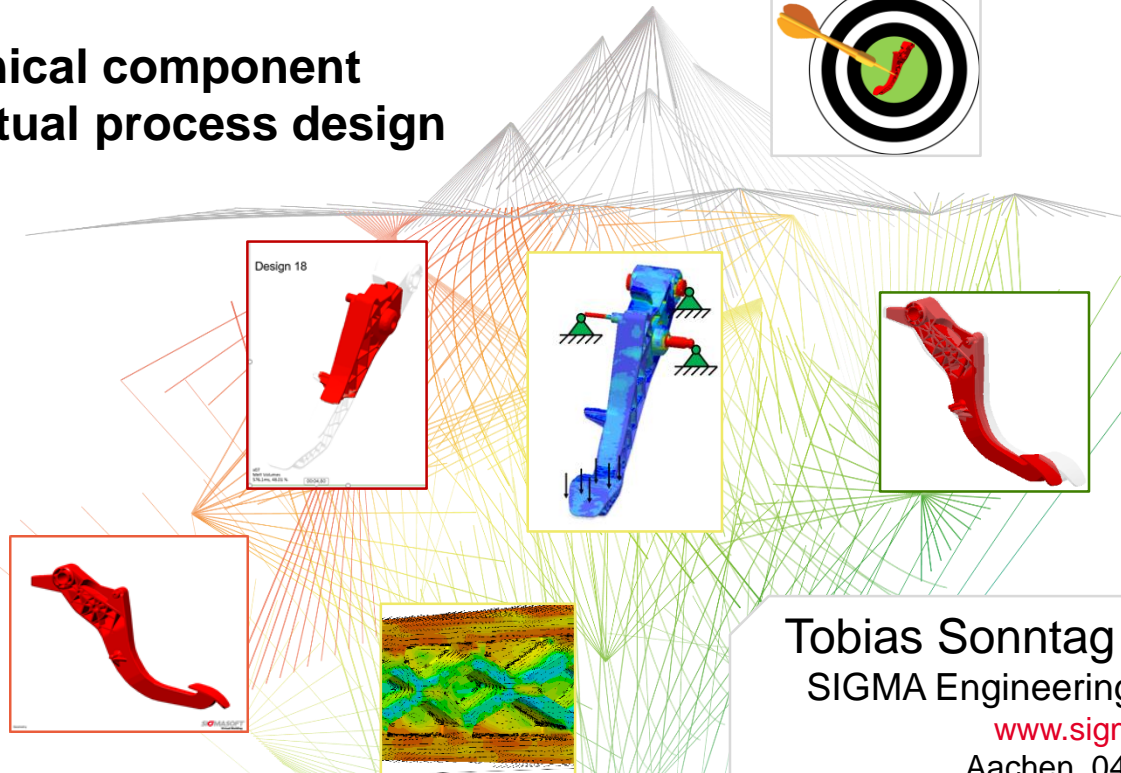




# Optimized mechanical component properties through virtual process design



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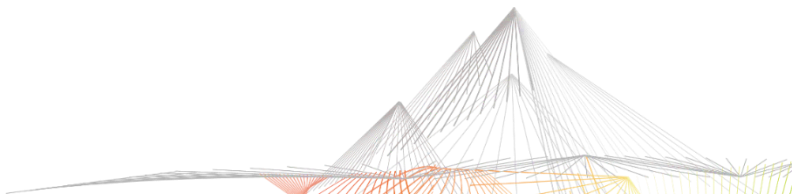
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# Intention

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Molding  
Simulation

Structural  
Simulation

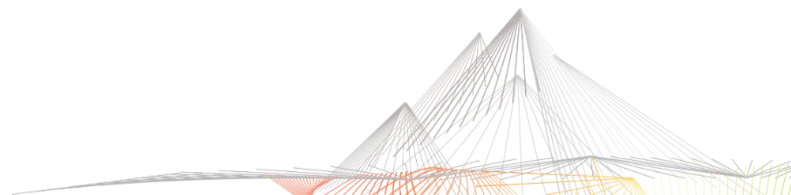
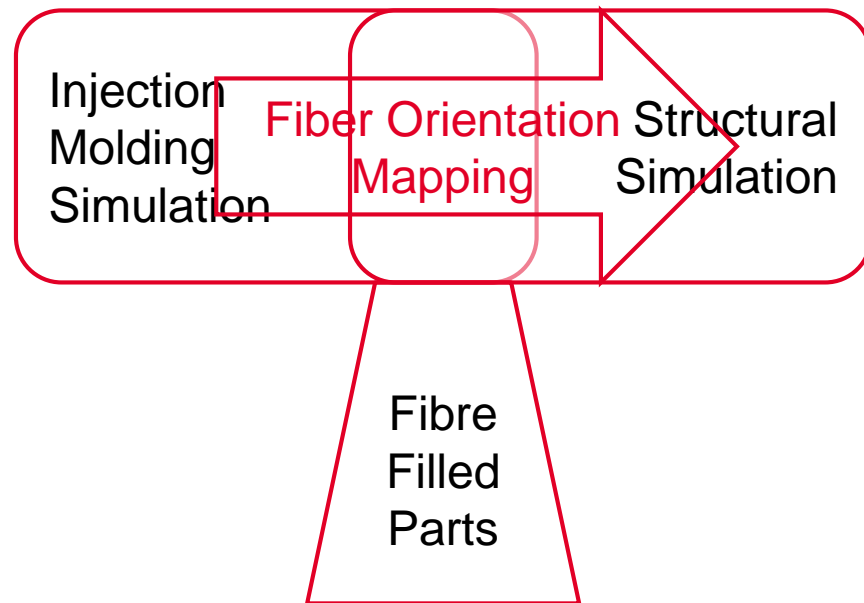
Fibre  
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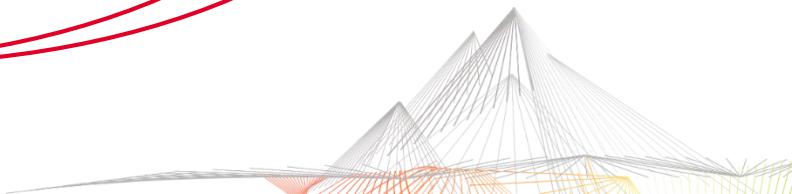
# Intention

Injection  
Molding  
Simulation

Fiber Orientation  
Mapping

Structural  
Simulation

**How to reduce iterations ?**





# Anisotropic Material behaviour

## The problem behind is...

### Aluminium

Density: 2.7 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

E-Modulus: 70.000 MPa

Shrinkage: 1,25 %



### PA GF

Density: 1.5 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

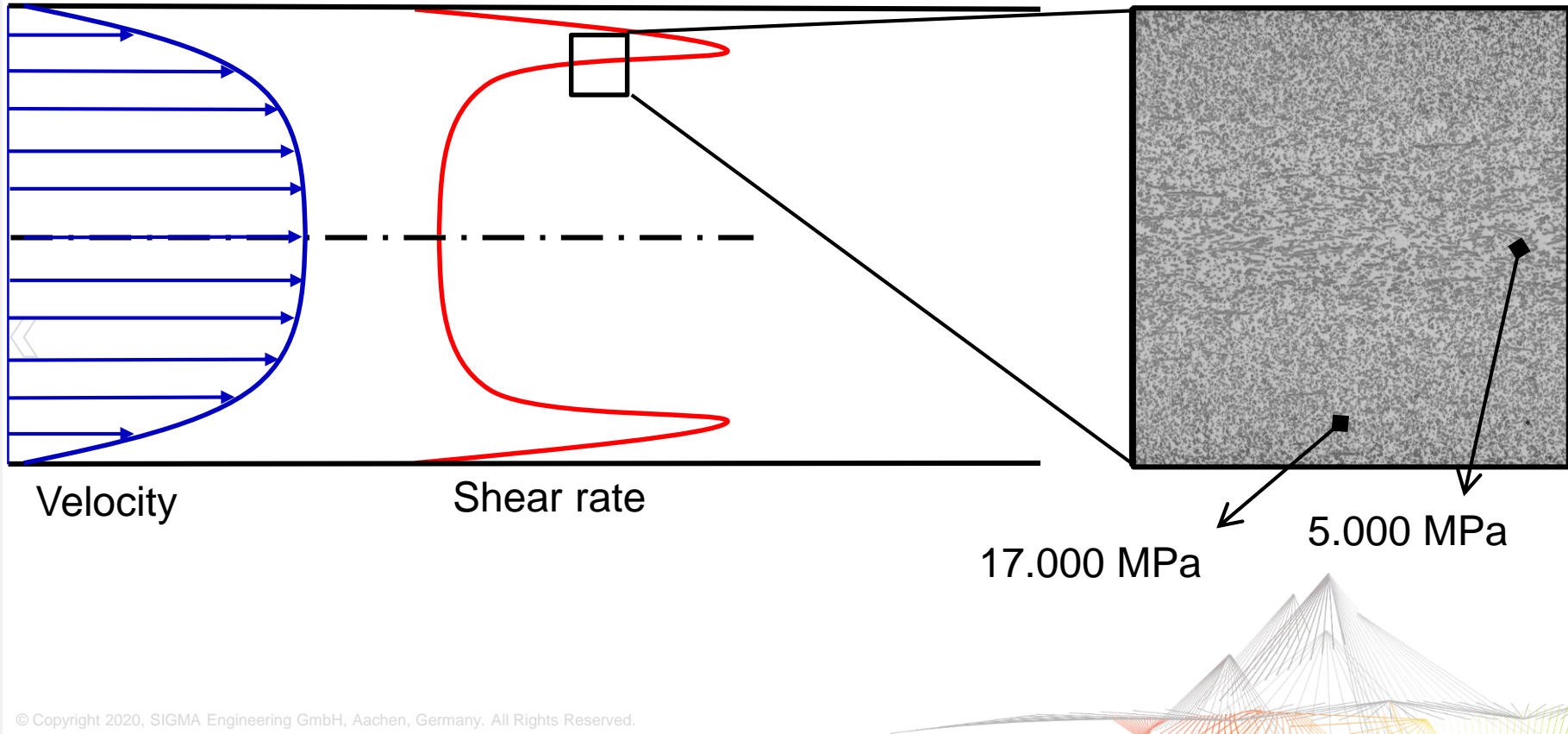
E-Modulus: 17.000 MPa

Shrinkage: 0,3 / 0,9 %



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# Which factor drives the fiber orientation ?

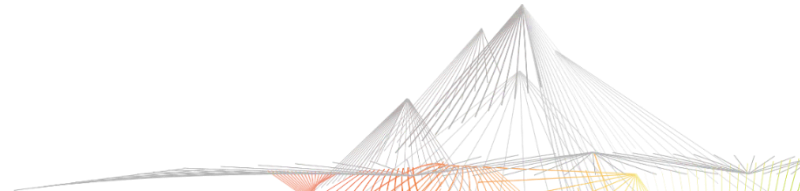
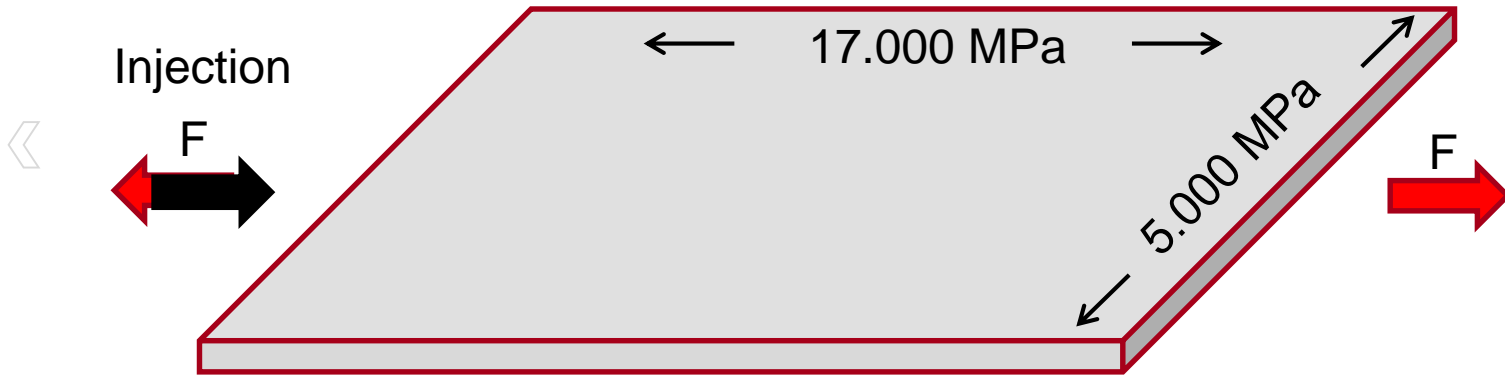




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# Use Fiber Orientation In A Targeted Purpose...

**...on the one hand to guarantee mechanical component stability in the loading direction**

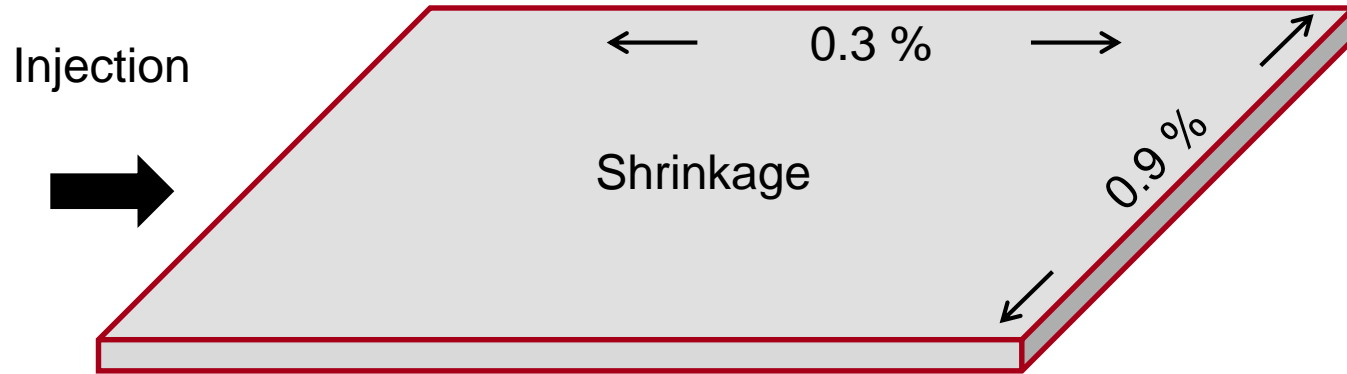




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# Use Fiber Orientation In A Targeted Manner...

... and on the other hand to keep component distortion low



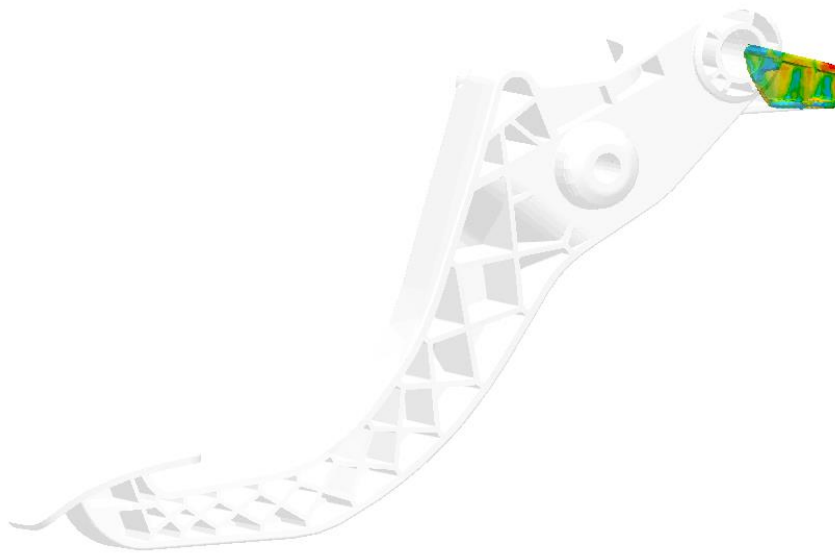




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# The Challenge With Glass Fiber Filled Parts

Fiber orientation depending on the injection point



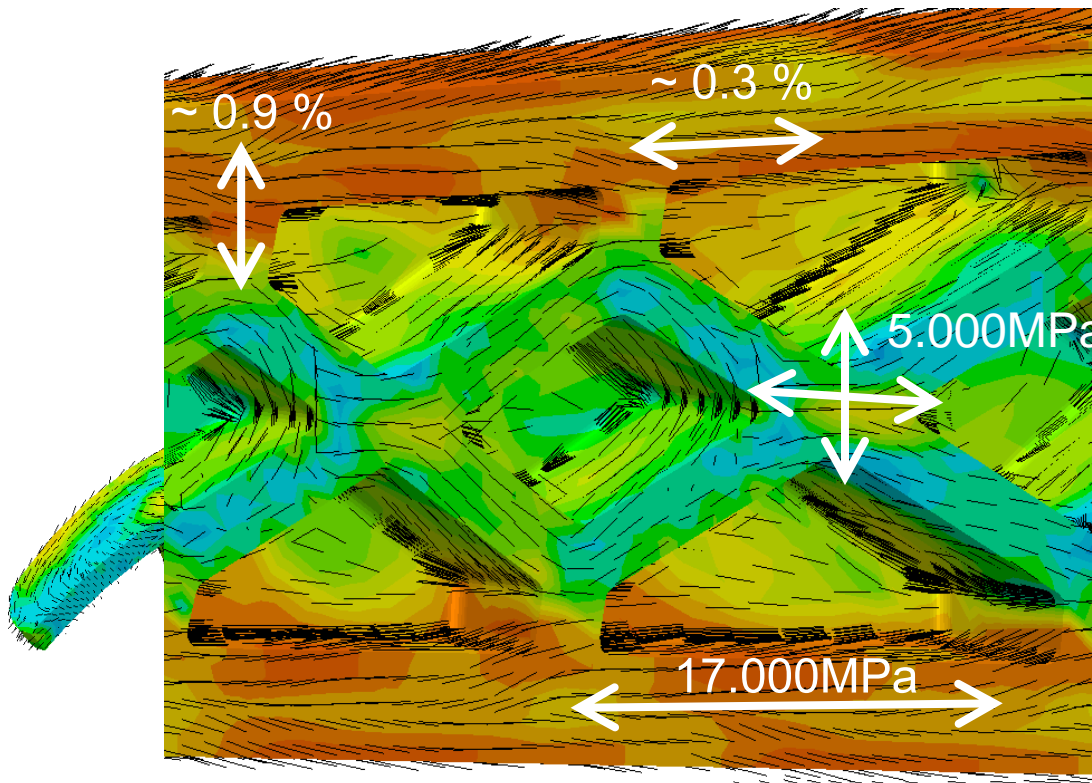
Cycle 1, Filling, Fiber  
24.3ms, 2.03 %  
3D-Faserorientierung

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Virtual Molding



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# The Challenge With Glass Fiber Filled Parts



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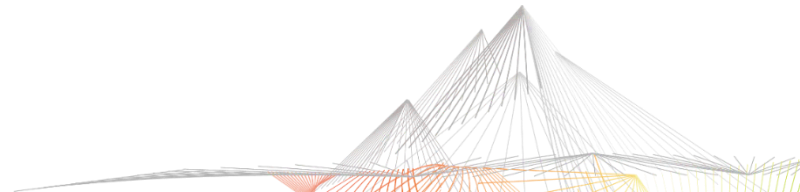


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# One Target



Use fiber orientation in a targeted purpose in order to fulfill the requirements





# Typical requirements

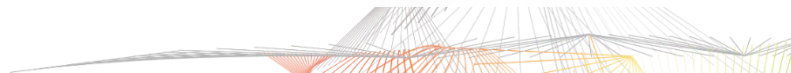
Mechanical  
behavior



Process  
behavior

- depend mainly on the injection point
- process and mechanical challenge are unavoidably linked together by the fiber

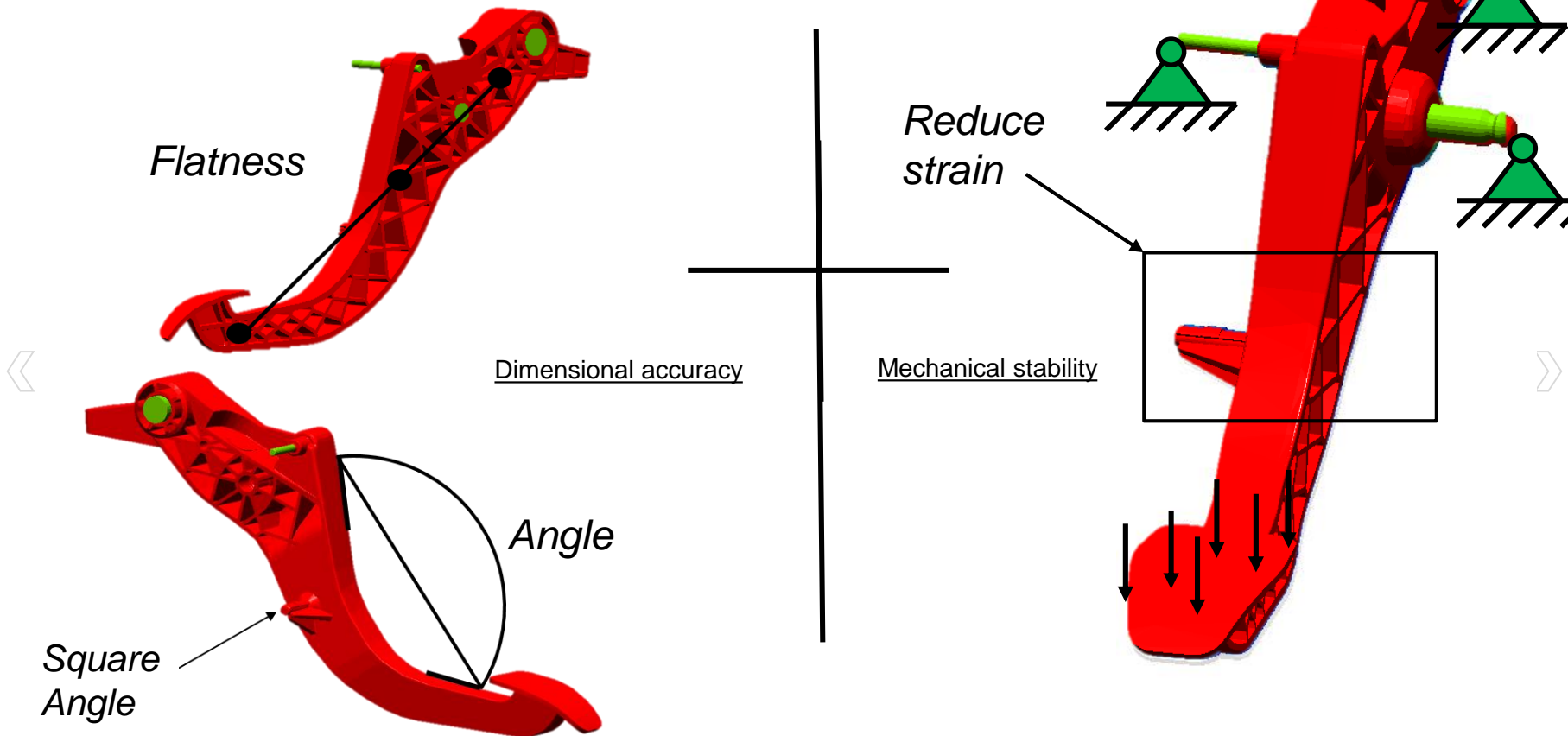
- Ensure low filling pressure  
→ Guarantee manufacturability





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# Requirements to the fibre orientation





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# These requirements are driven by...

Design Variables [Possible designs: 84]



## Design Variables

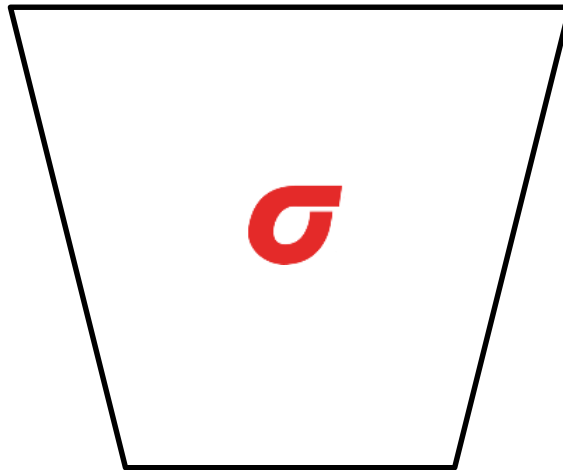
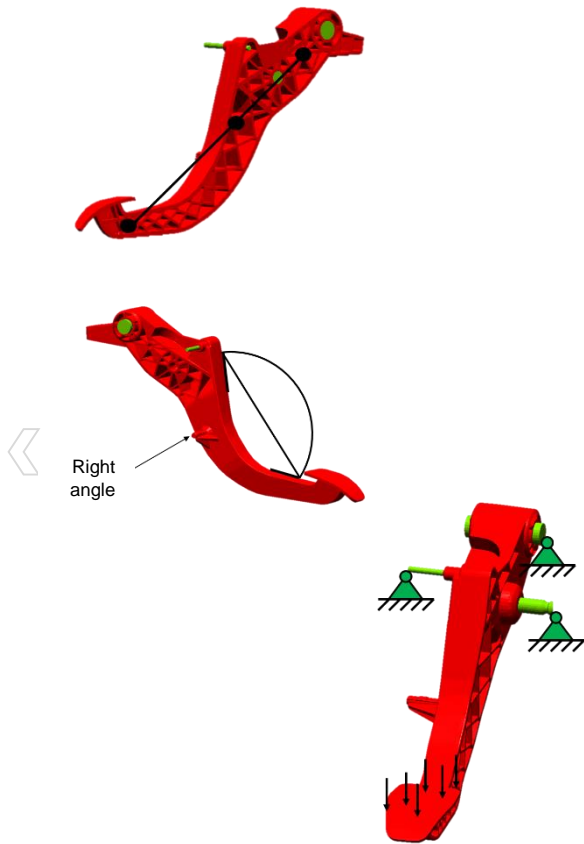
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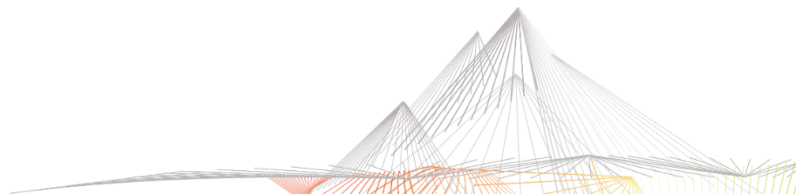
# Design Of Experiments – Required fiber orientation



14 injection points

2 packing  
pressure level

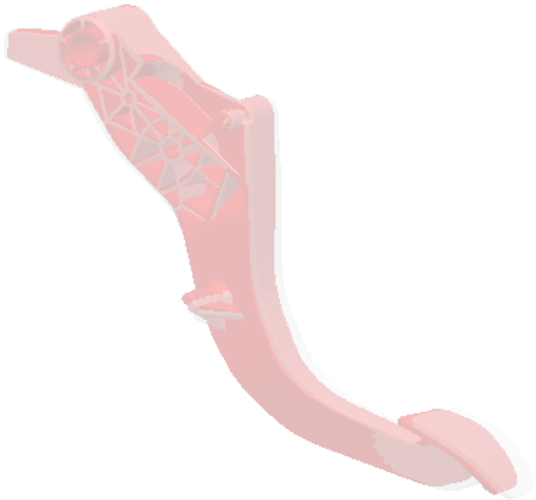
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PA 50 GF





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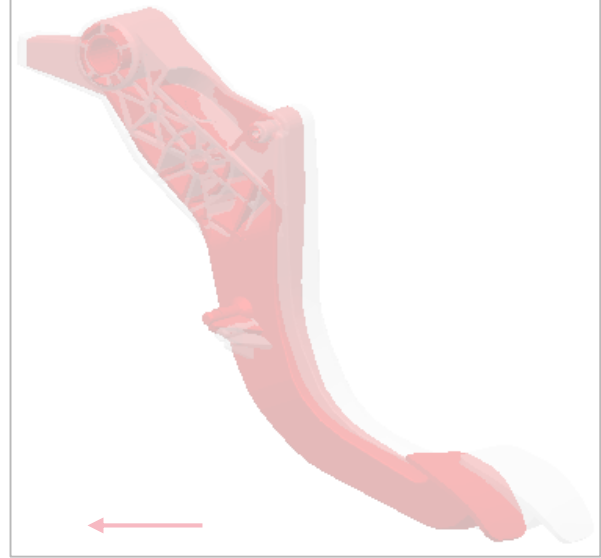
# Which Is The Best Design ?



Design 16

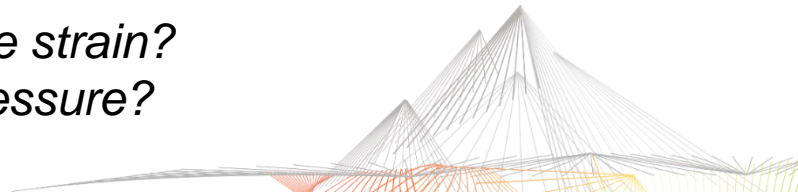


Design 79



Design 14

*But what about the strain?  
And the filling pressure?*







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# Automatic Ranking



... compromise  
from all goals

- filling pressure
- flatness
- angle
- strain
- ...

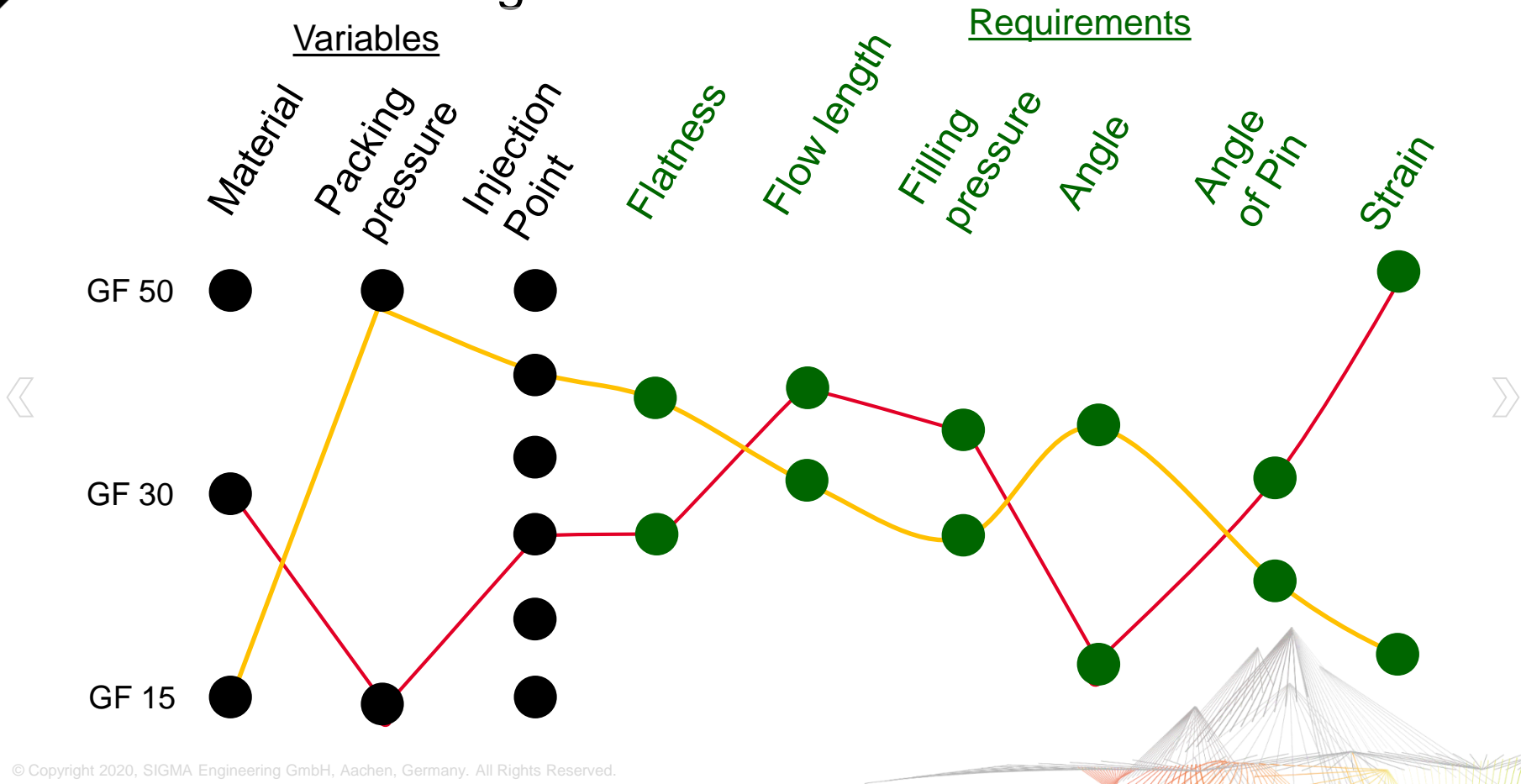
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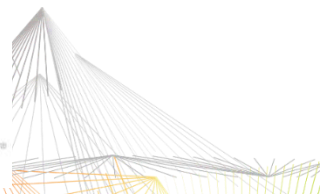
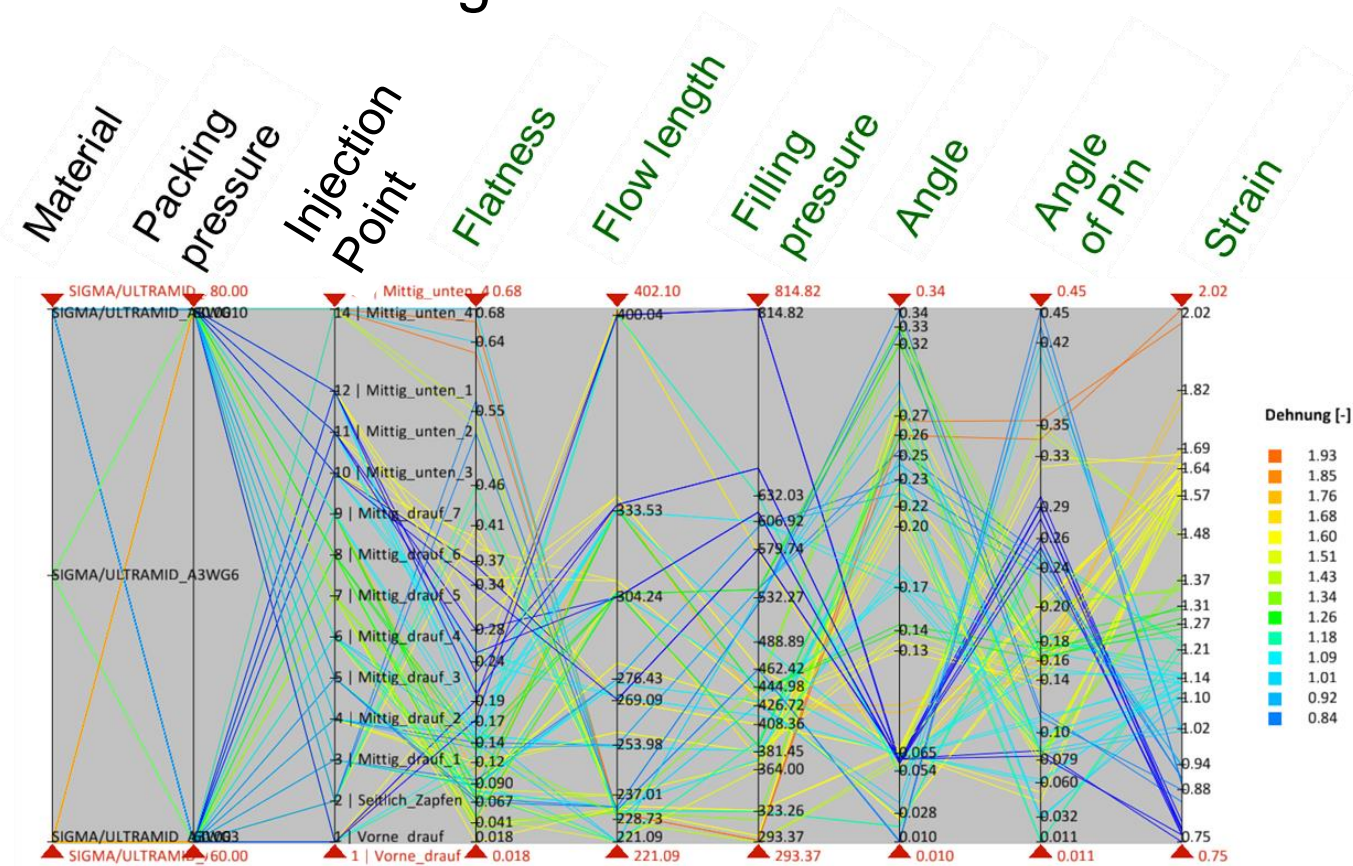
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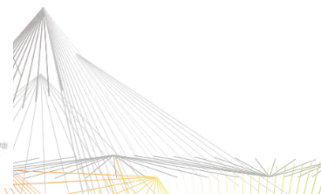
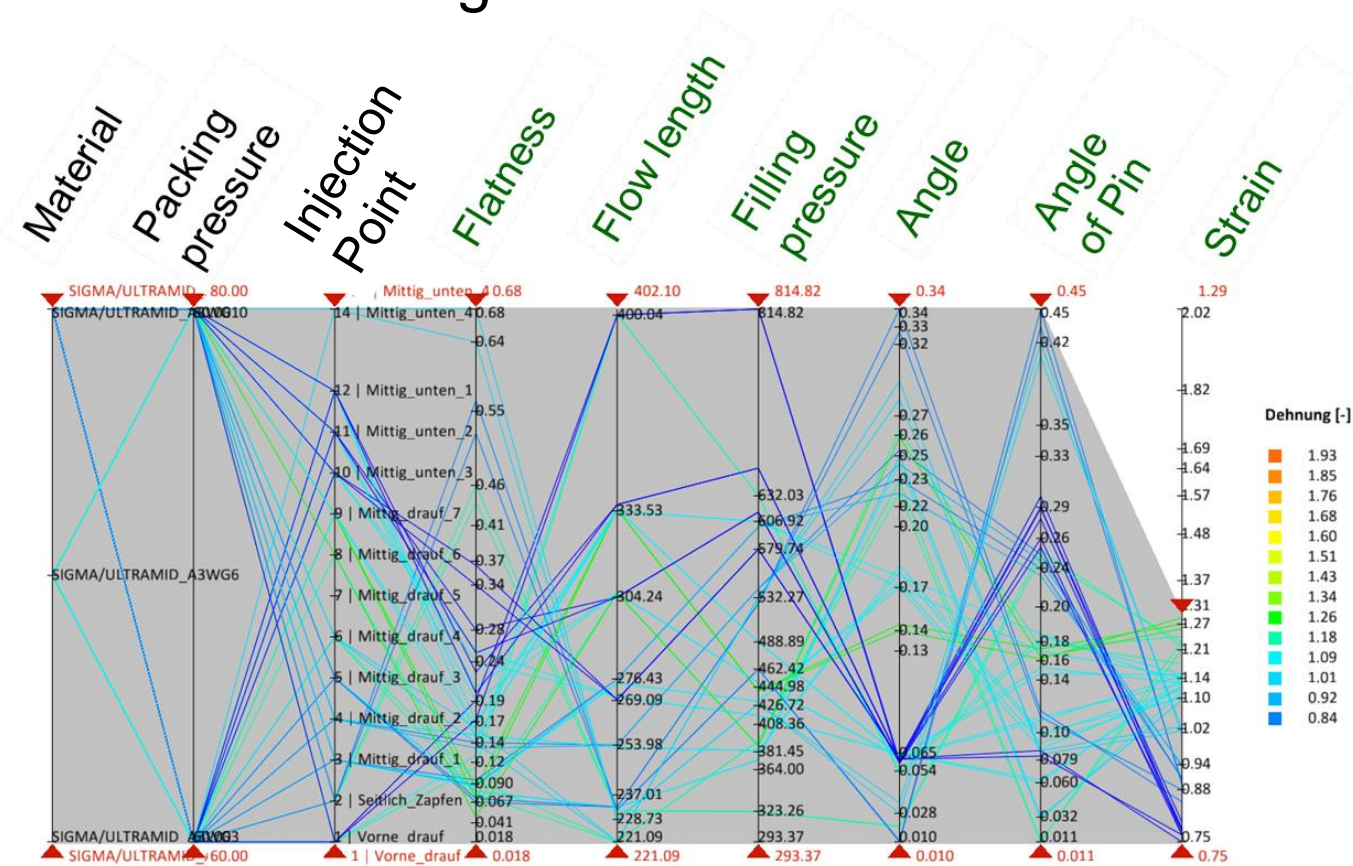
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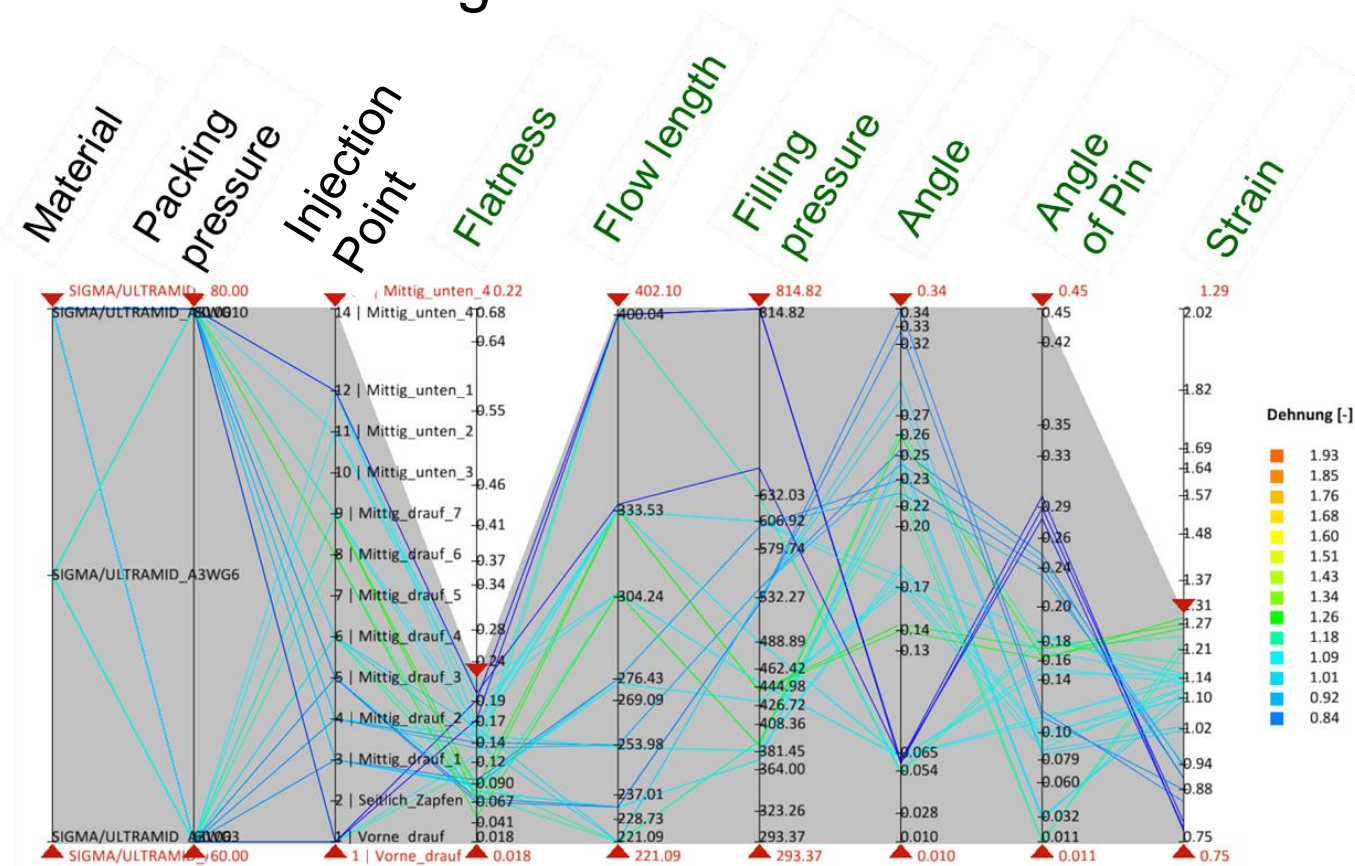






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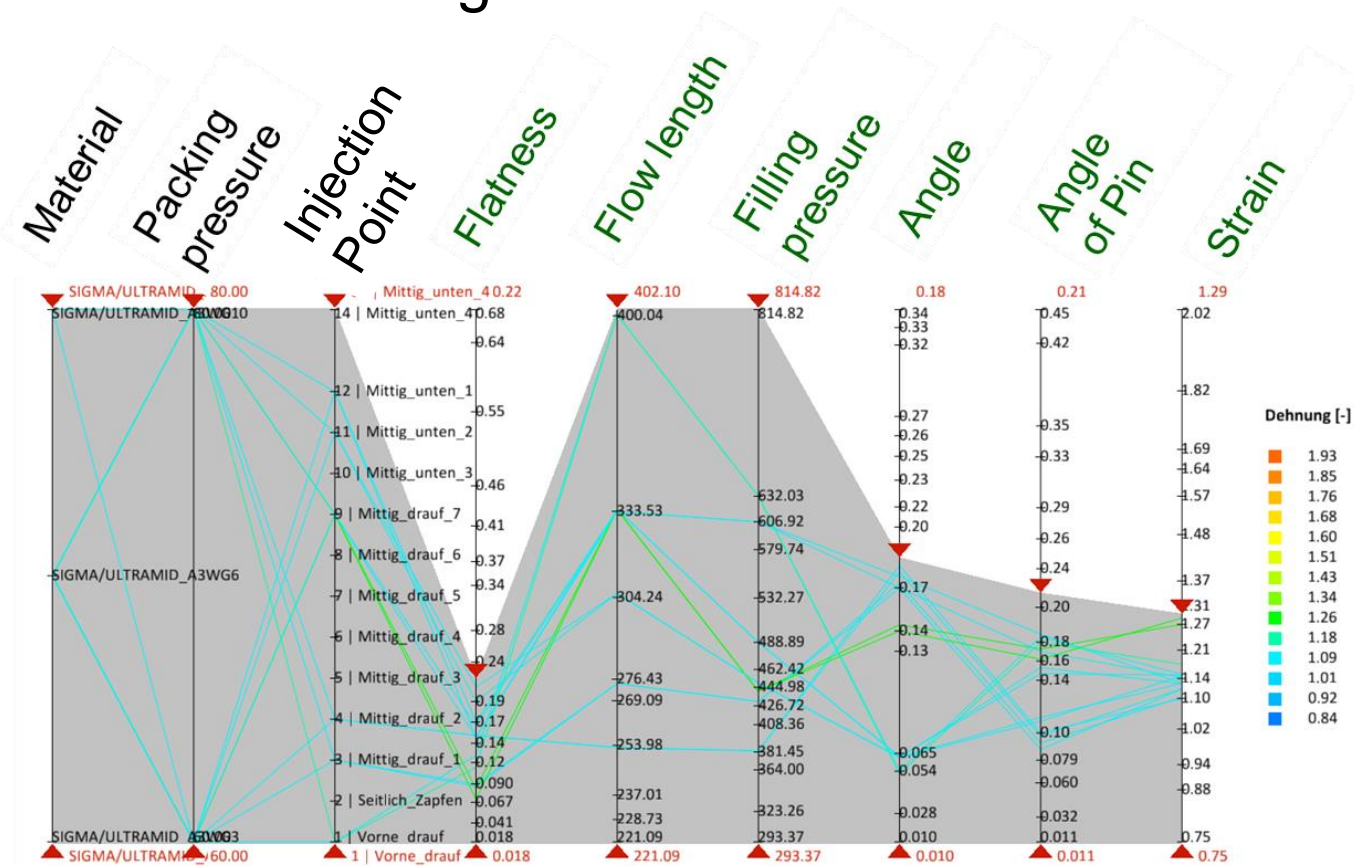
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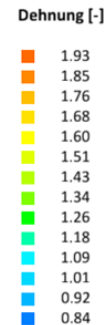
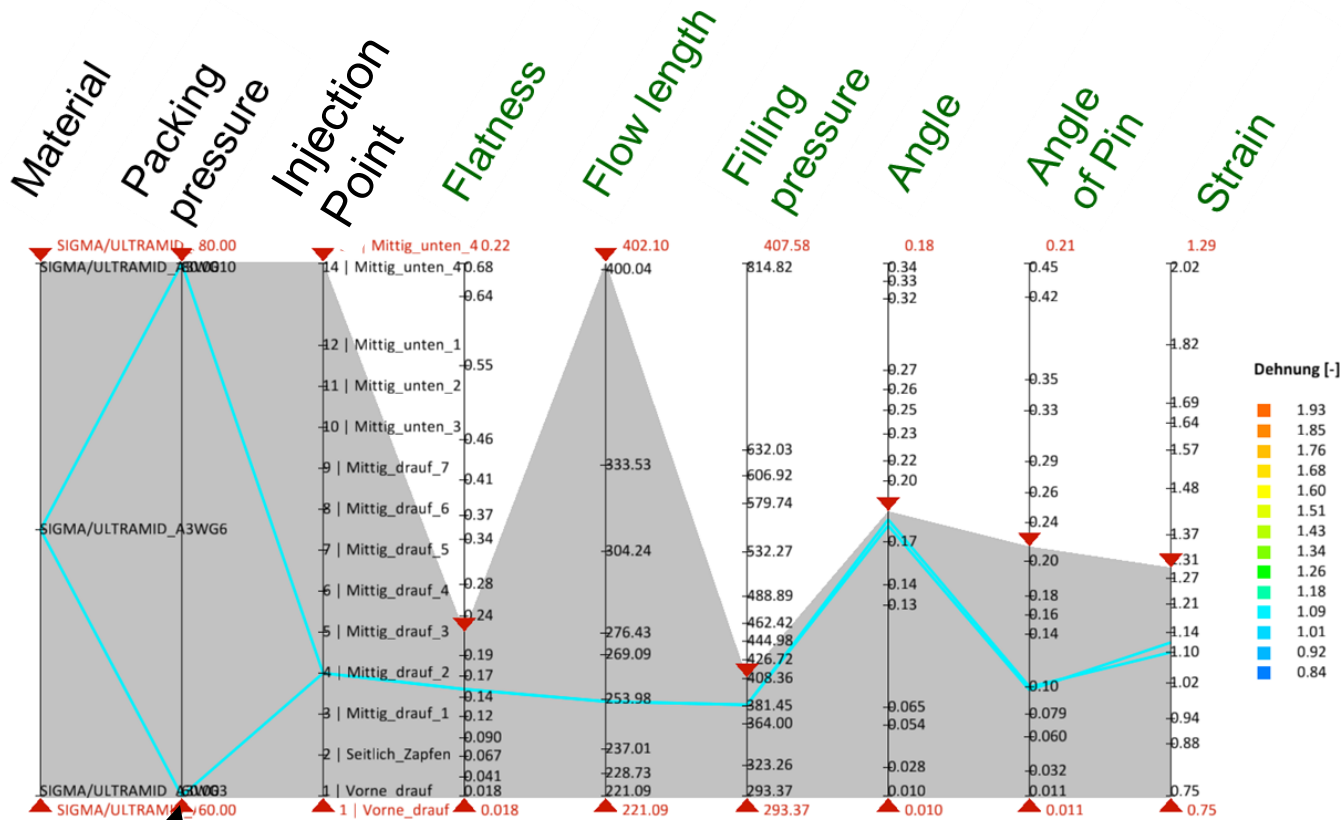
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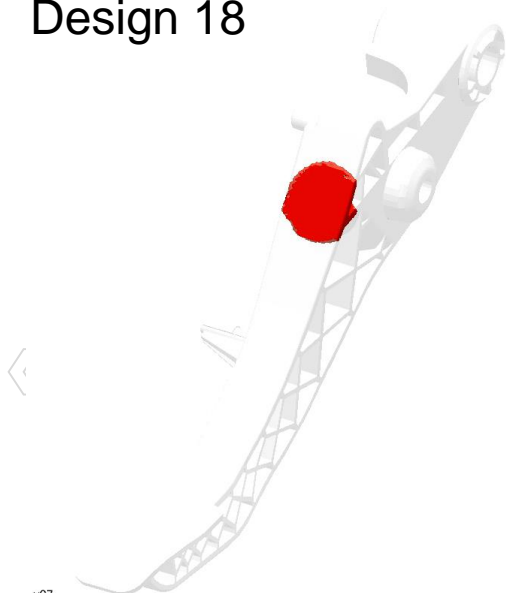
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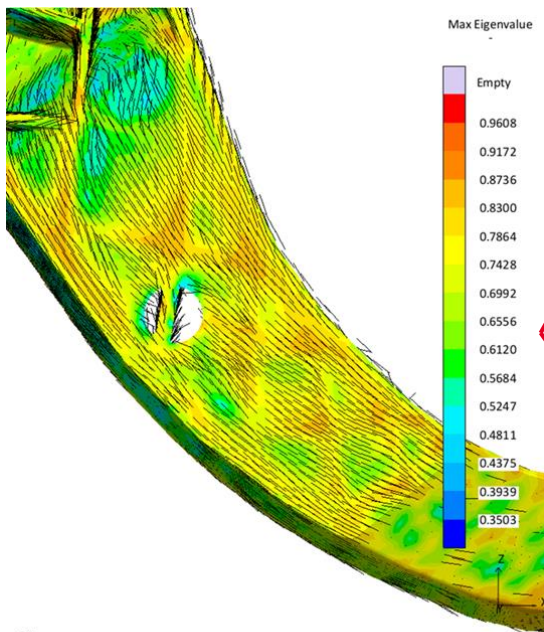
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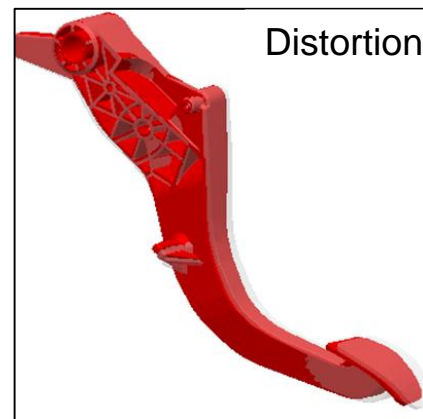
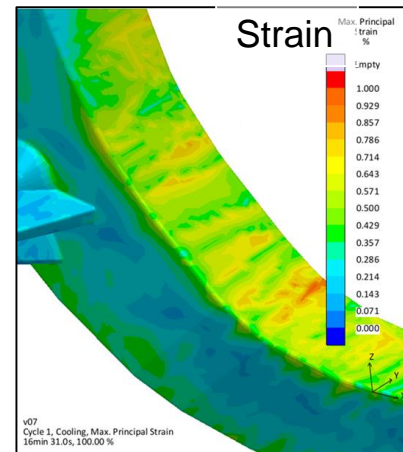
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Melt Volumes  
24.1ms, 2.01 %



v07  
Max Eigenvalue  
1.201s, 100.00 %





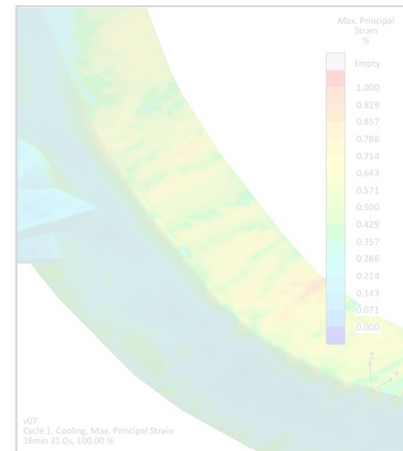
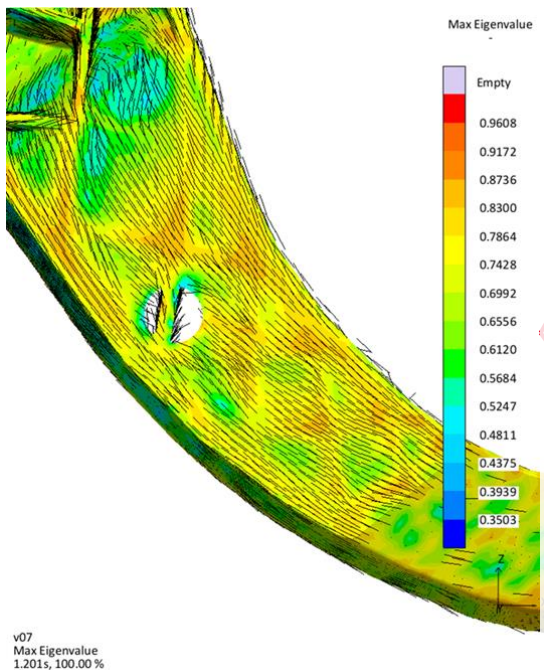


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This orientation  
can be used as  
a good starting  
point for further  
FEM calculation

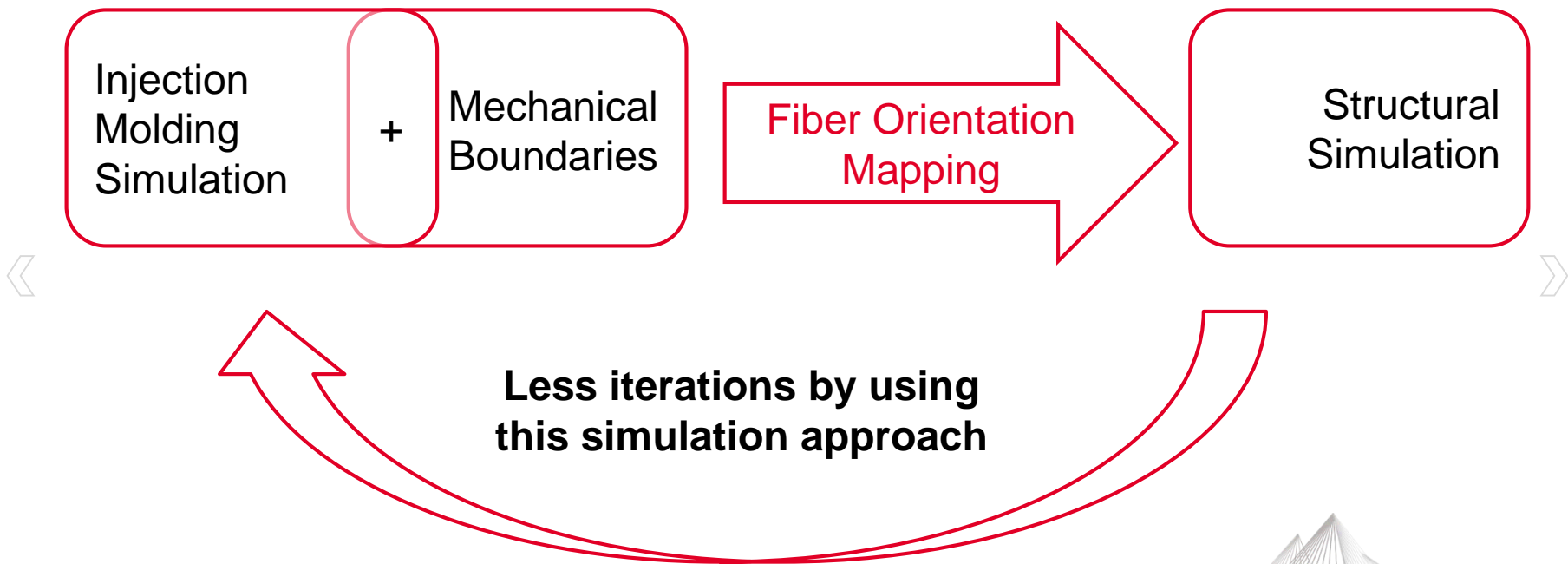


v07  
Melt Volumes  
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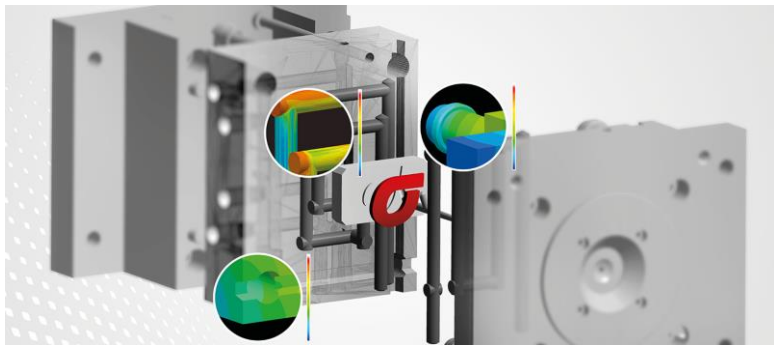
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