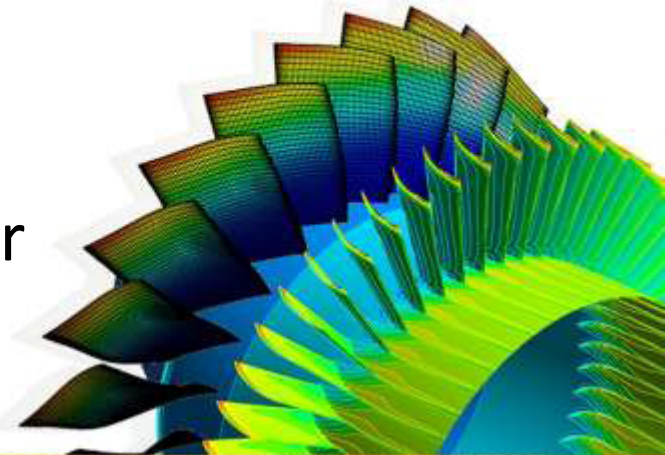


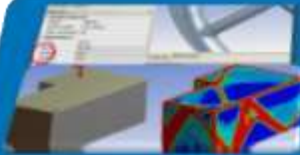
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# Parameter based 3D Optimization of the „TU Berlin TurboLab Stator“ with ANSYS optiSLang

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# Overview

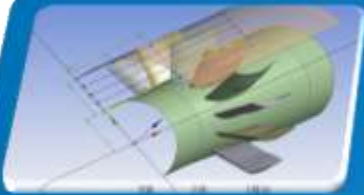


Adjoint vs. Parameter Based Optimization

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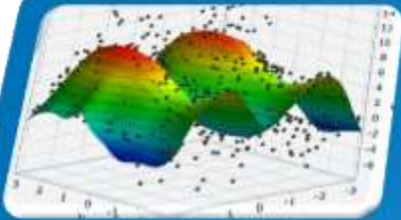
Parameter Based Optimization

- Theory and Strategy



Parametric Simulation Model

- Geometry, Meshing, CFD



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- Results

# Pro and Cons...

are in opposite



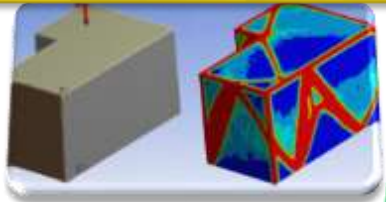
## Parameter based Optimization



- use of established software: CAD, Meshing, Solver...
- automatic add-on tool
- no "non-sense" solution
- optimal Design directly available in CAD

- „limited“ to parameterization
- requires certain amount of solver runs

## Parameter free Optimization



- free of limit
- innovative
- Optimization within solver run

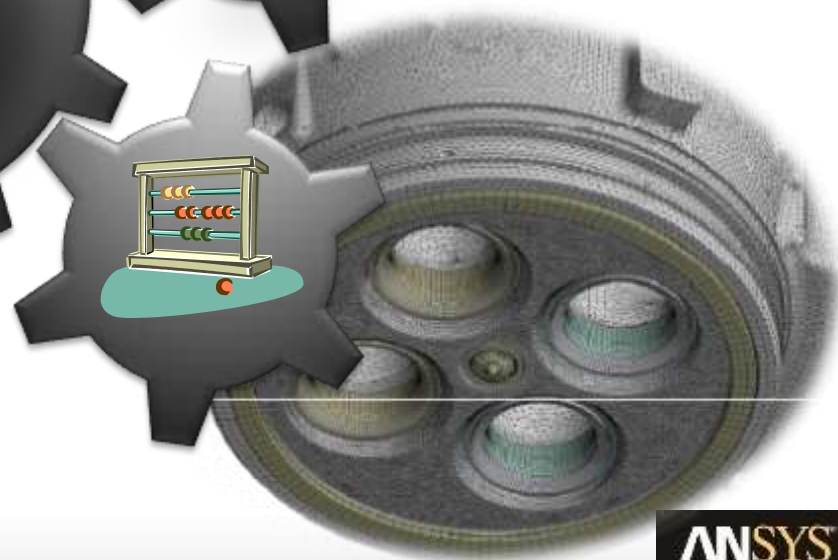
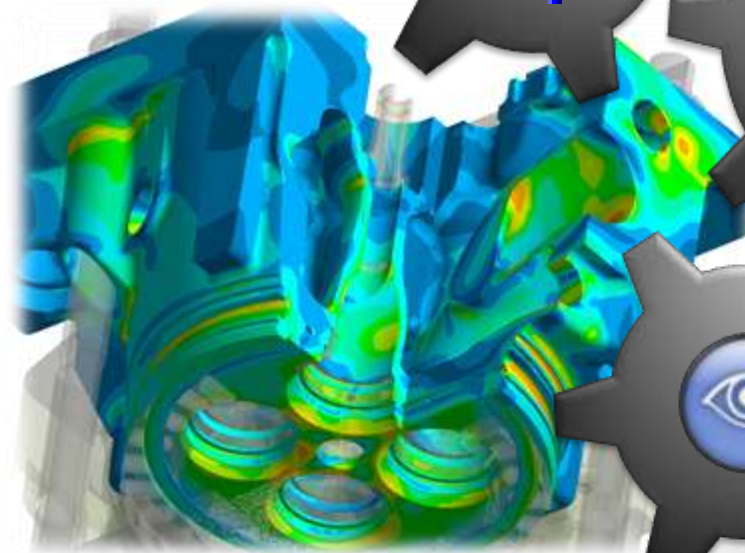
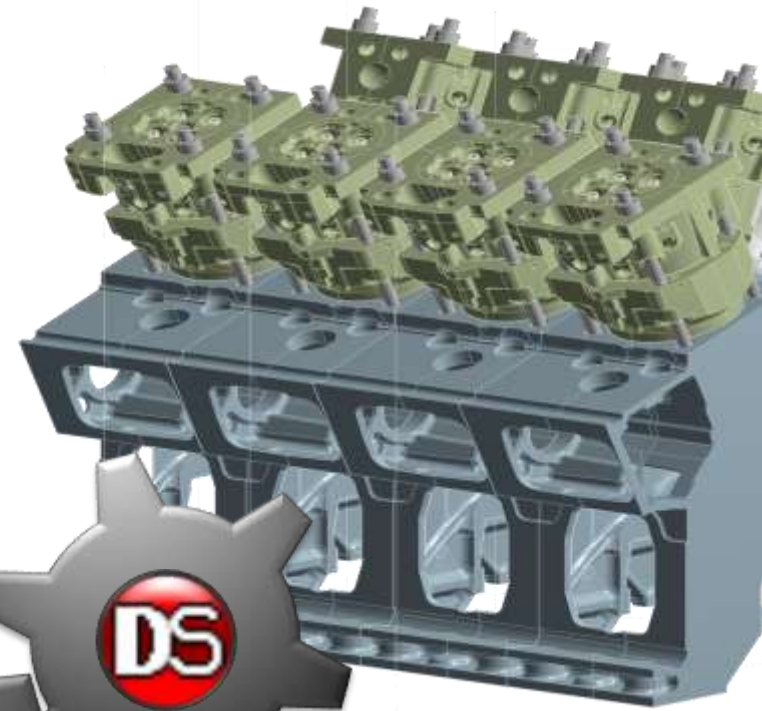
- Optimized designs
- need to be transferred to CAD
- Difficult to manufacture
- are often "non-sense"
- Solver is "different" from established one

Which algorithm is best?  
For which application?



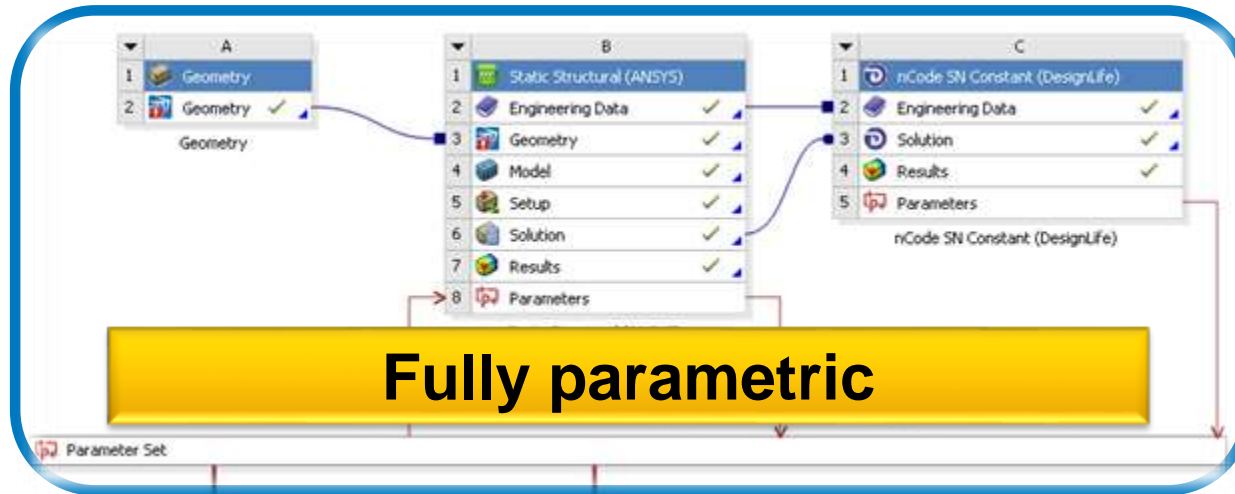


# Workbench Framework

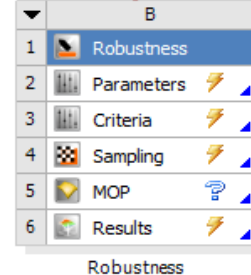
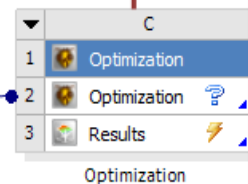
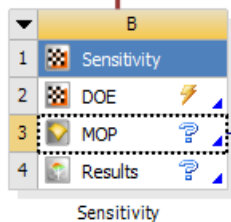


# Optimization inside Workbench

The Workbench Effect – easier to use



Easy parametric set up of complex simulations



easy use of best praxis automated flows inside Workbench

# Optimization Strategy

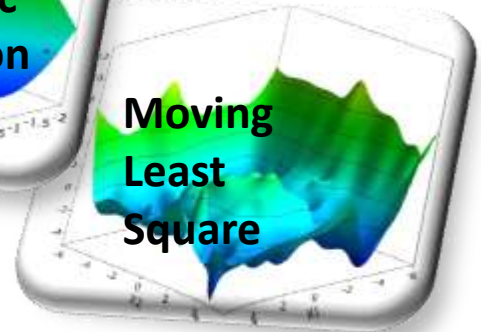
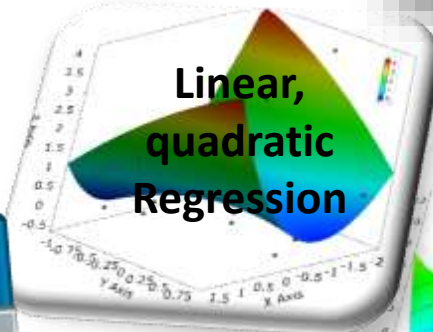
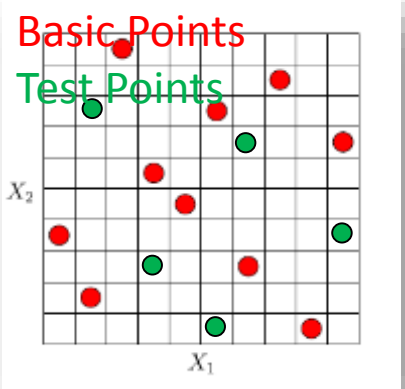
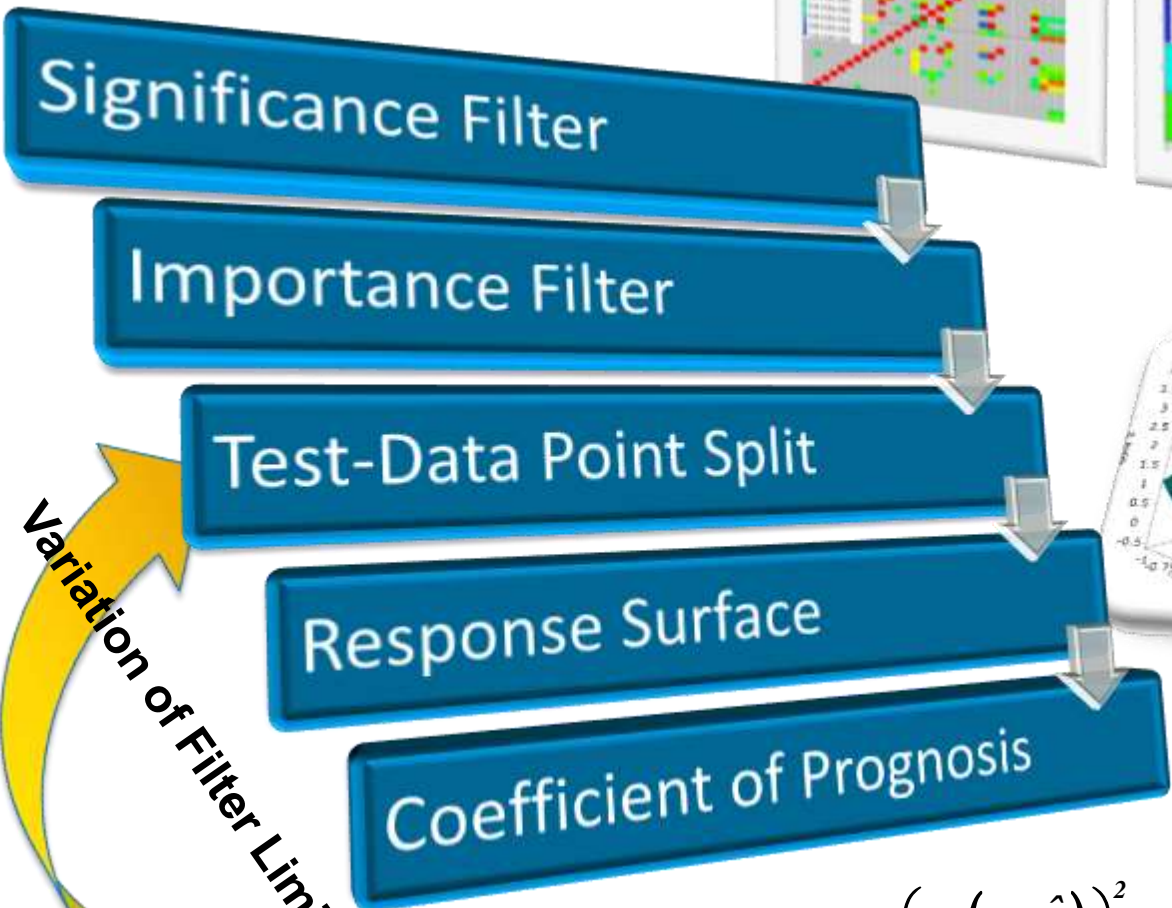
## General Procedure:

- Design Optimization
  - Gradient Based
  - Genetic
  - Evolutionary
  -
- Design of Experiments
  - Data Sampling
  - Detecting Correlations
  - Detecting Important Parameters
  - Parameter Space Reduction
  - Response Surface
- Design Optimization
  - ...



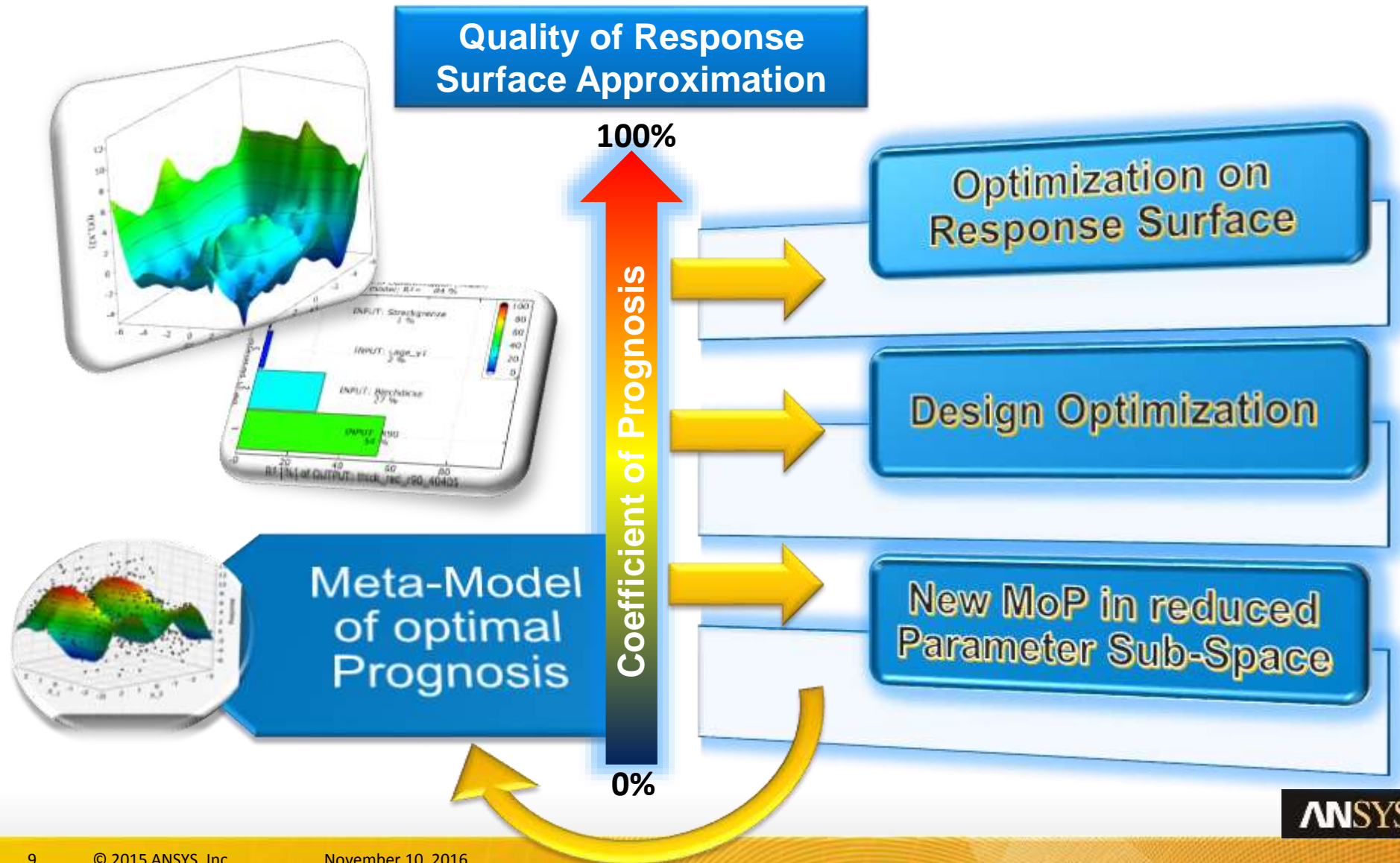


# Meta-Model of Optimal Prognosis, MoP



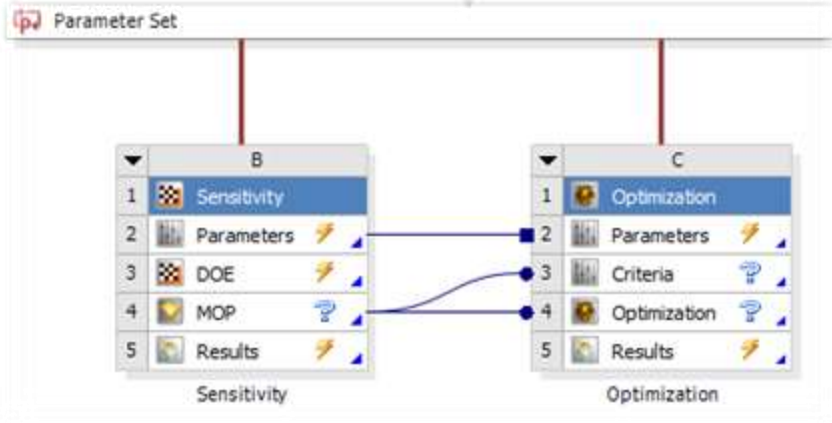
$$CoP = \left( \frac{E(Y \cdot \hat{Y})}{\sigma_Y \cdot \sigma_{\hat{Y}}} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N (y^{(k)} - \mu_y) \cdot (\hat{y}^{(k)} - \mu_{\hat{y}})}{(N-1) \cdot \sigma_Y \cdot \sigma_{\hat{Y}}} \right)^2$$

# Optimization Strategy, wrt to CoP





# Design Optimization



**Optimization Algorithms:**



**Strategy is required!  
and derived from SA**

**Evolutionary Algorithm**

**Gradient-Based Algorithms**

**Pareto Optimization**

**Adaptive Response Surface**

**Genetic Algorithm**

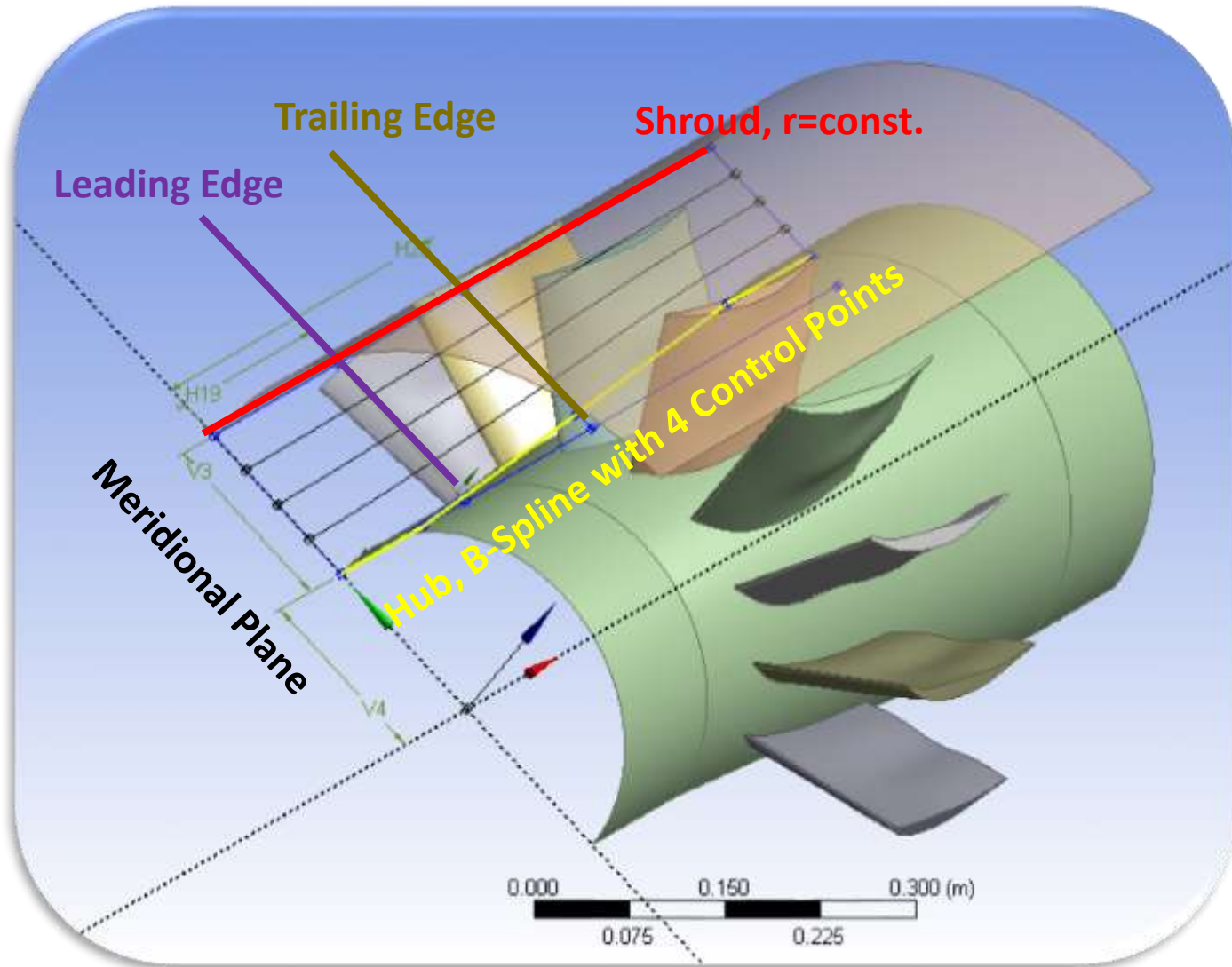
*Which one is the best?*

# Meta-Model of Optimal Prognosis, Best-Practice

- Number of Evaluated Designs?
  - Required Designs= $f(\#$ Important Variables, Non-linearity)
  - Check CoP for different number of Designs
- Numerical Error?
  - Best-Practice CFD!
- Model Error?
- Options:
  - Design Optimization
  - Meta-Model in Subspace

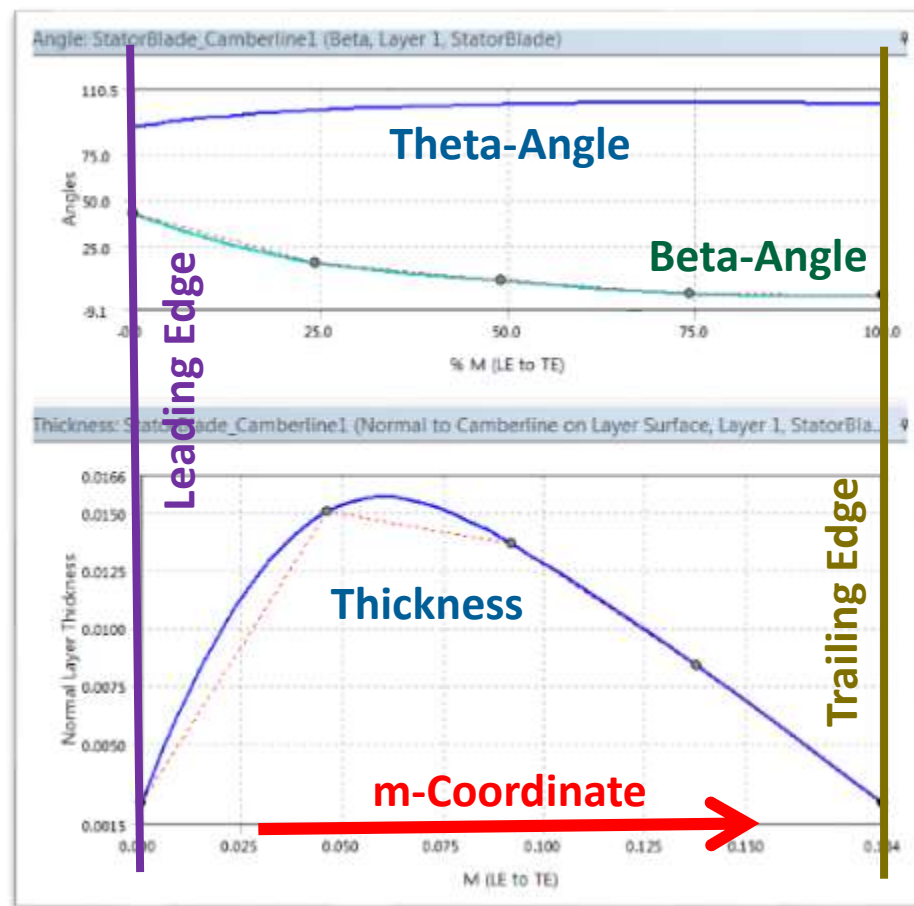
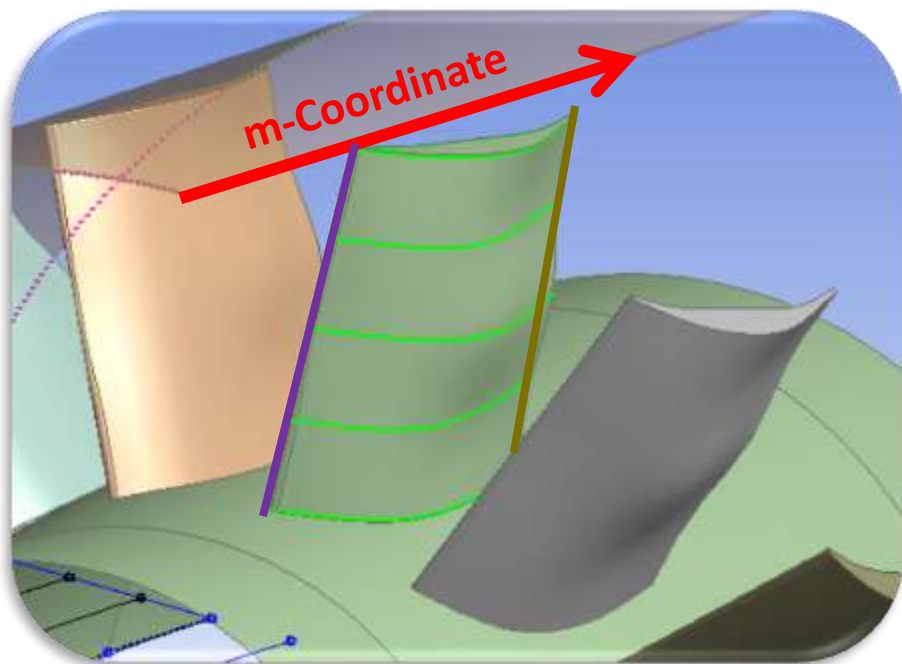


# Parametric Geometry – Meridional Design





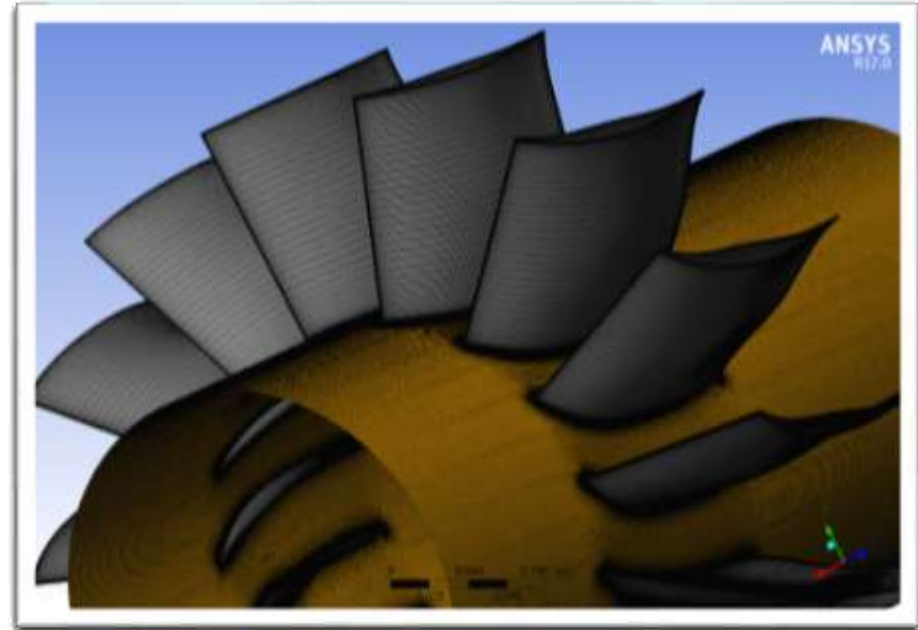
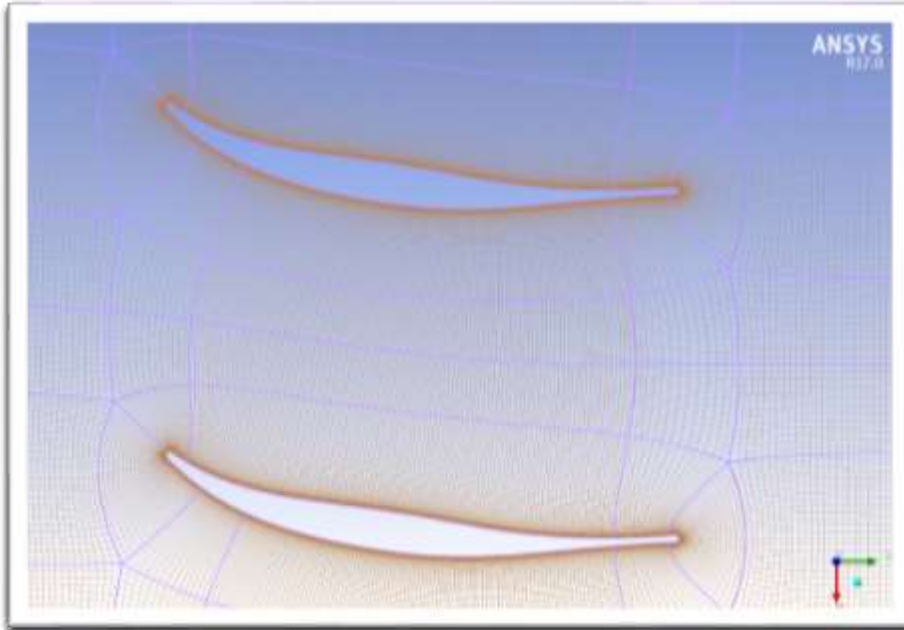
# Parametric Geometry – Blade Design



## Blade Design on 5 Layers:

- Blade (Beta) Angles: Bezier-Curve, 5 Control Points
- Thickness Distribution: Bezier-Curve, 5 Control Points

# Meshing

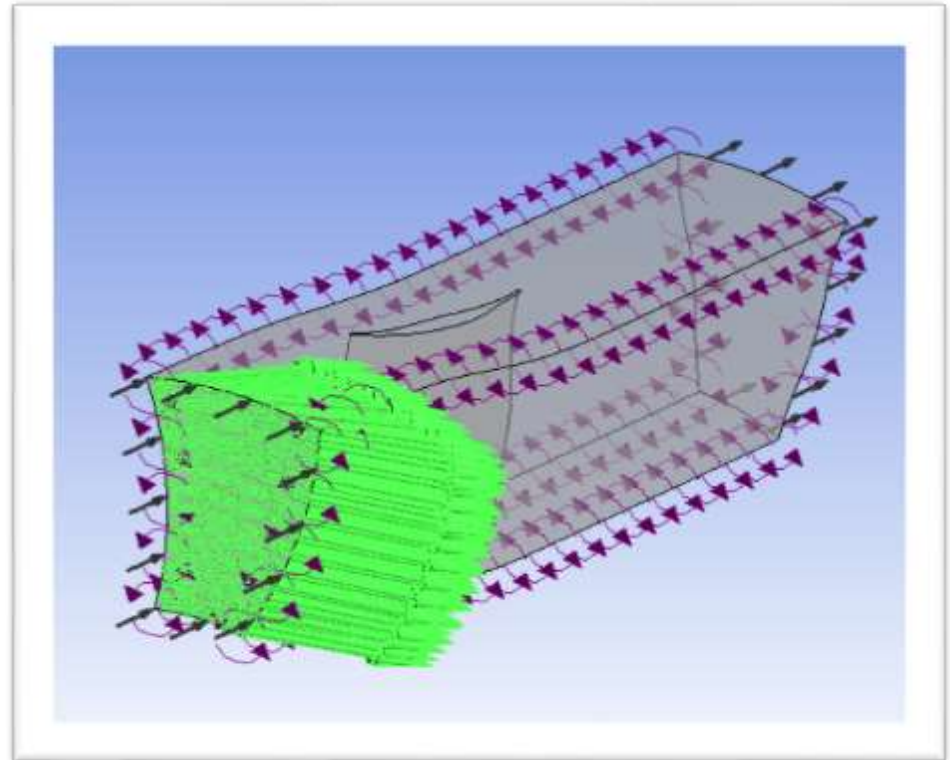


**Scalable Block  
Structured Mesh,  
automatically  
smoothed**

#Control Volumes	Min Angle [°]	Volume Ratio [-]
500000	46.4	2.90
1000000	46.0	2.37
2000000	45.3	2.13
4000000	45.8	1.92

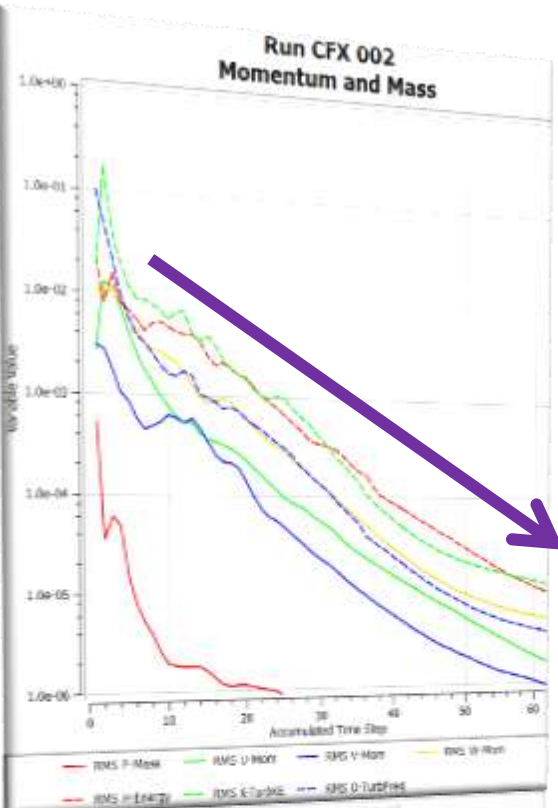
# CFD Set-Up

- Model: 1 Segment with periodic boundary conditions
- Material: Air Ideal Gas
  - $R = 287$  [J/kg/K]
  - $c_p = 1004$  [J/kg/K]
- Equation System:
  - Mass
  - Momentum
  - Total Energy (+viscous heating)
  - SST Turbulence Model
- Inlet:
  - Total Pressure=102713.0[Pa]
  - Total Temperature=294.314 [K]
  - Flow Angle (wrt axis)=42°
- Outlet:
  - Mass Flow Rate (360°)=9.0 [kg/s]

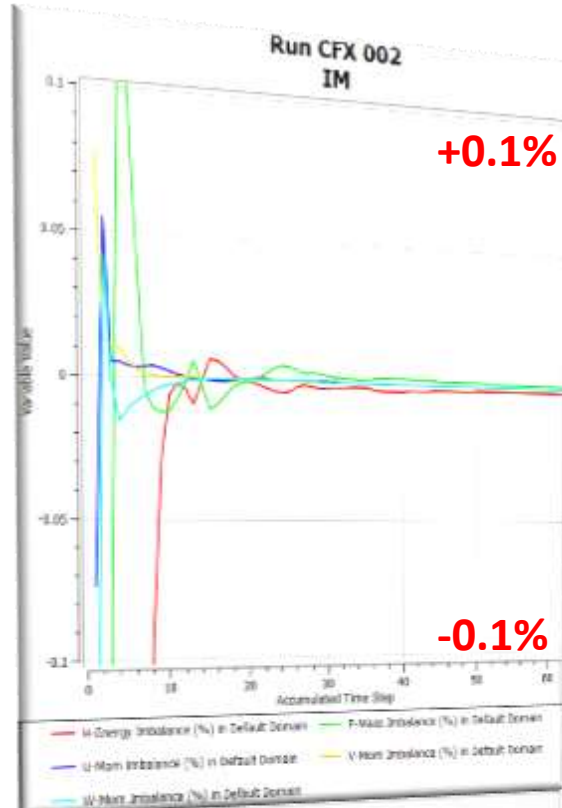




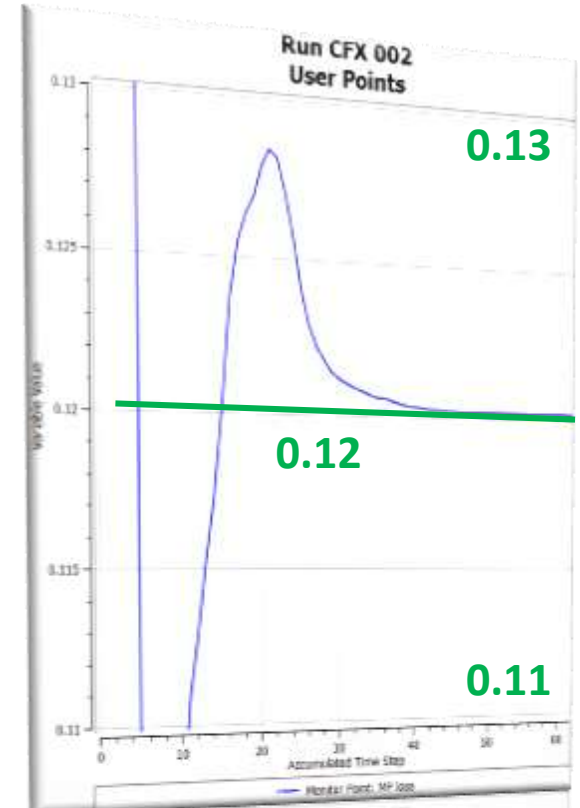
# CFD, Convergence Study



Monotonic convergence of all residuals

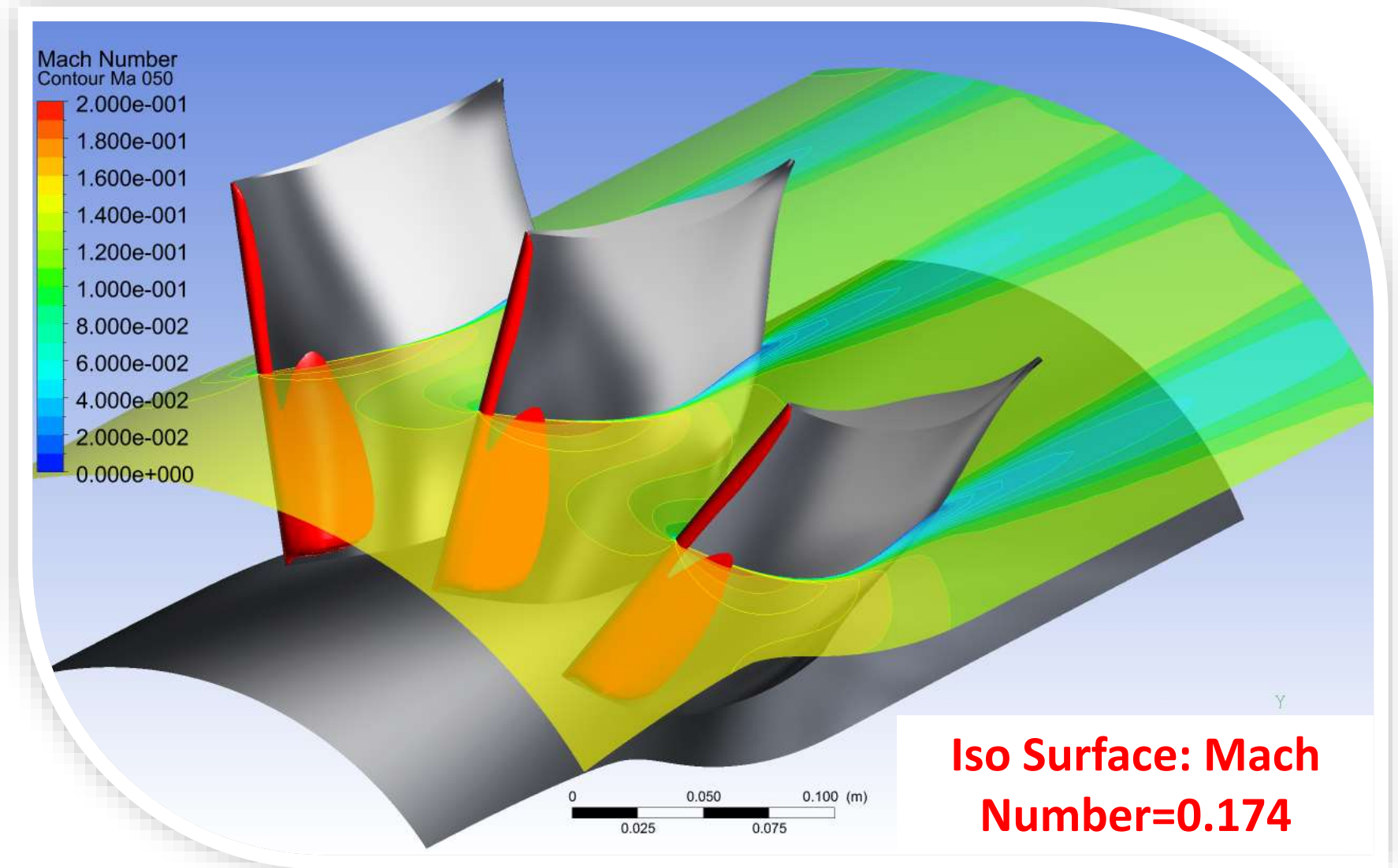


Abs of all imbalances lower than 0.01%



Monitor value stationary

# CFD Result - Mach Number



# CFD Result – Losses and Entropy

## Incompressible Loss Definition:

$pt\ in = massFlowAve(Total\ Pressure)@Inlet$

$pt\ out = massFlowAve(Total\ Pressure)@Outlet$

$ps\ in = massFlowAve(Pressure)@Inlet$

**Loss =  $(pt\ in - pt\ out)/(pt\ in - ps\ in)$**

## Thermodynamic Loss Definition:

$s0 = massFlowAve(Static\ Entropy)@Inlet$

$Entropy = (Static\ Entropy - s0) / R$

**Loss S =  $massFlowAve(Entropy)@Outlet$**

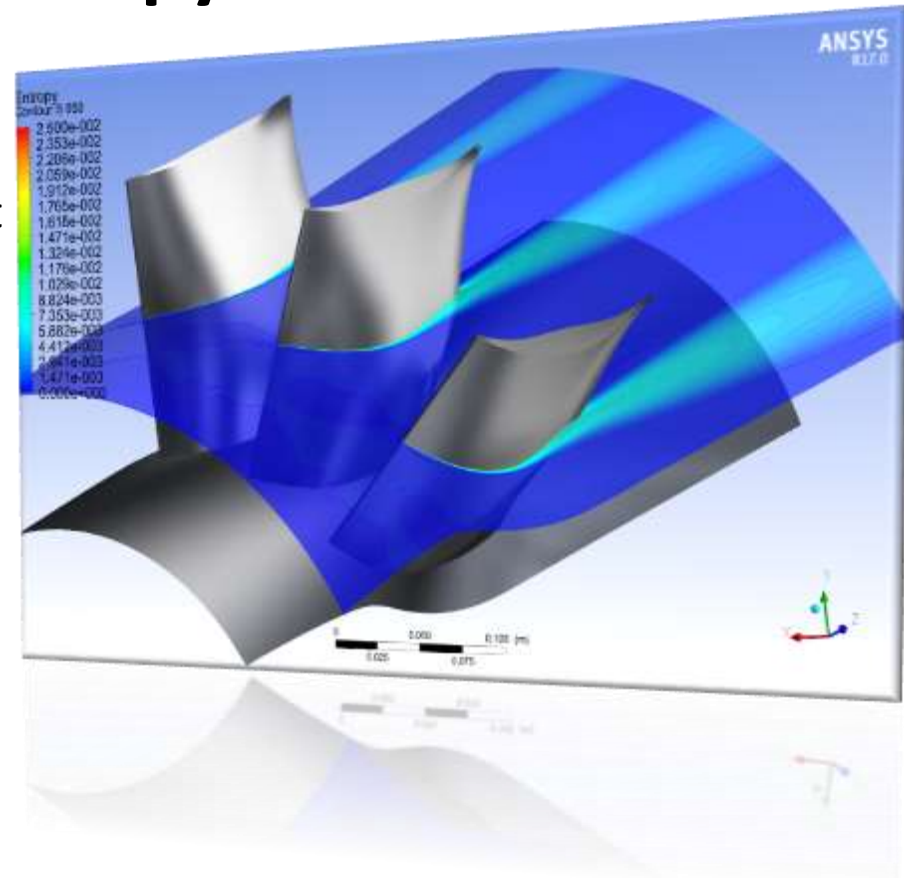
## Flow Angle @ Outlet:

$Flow\ Angle = atan2(Velocity\ Circumferential, Velocity\ w)$

**DirOut5 =  $areaAve(Flow\ Angle)@Outlet$**

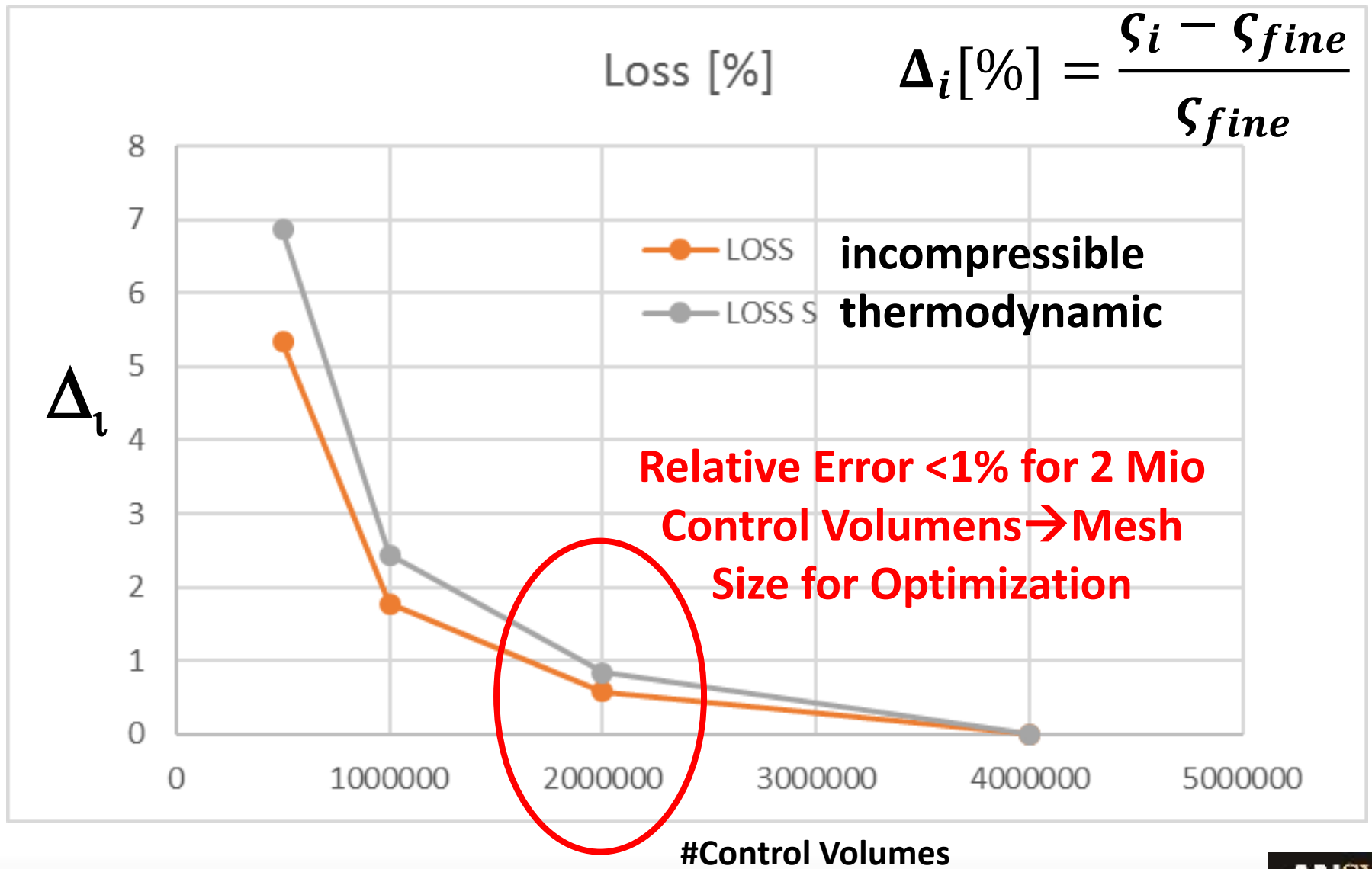
*DirOut4 =  $sum(((Velocity\ Flow\ Angle - 90[deg]) * pi / 180[deg])^2)@Outlet$*

*sum: wrt to number of nodes @ Outlet!*



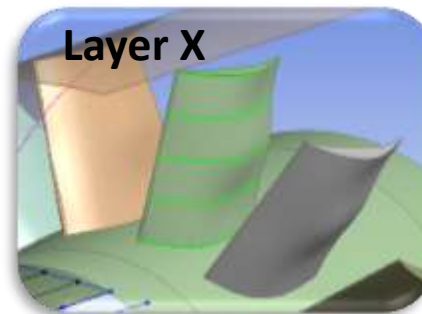


# CFD, Mesh Study

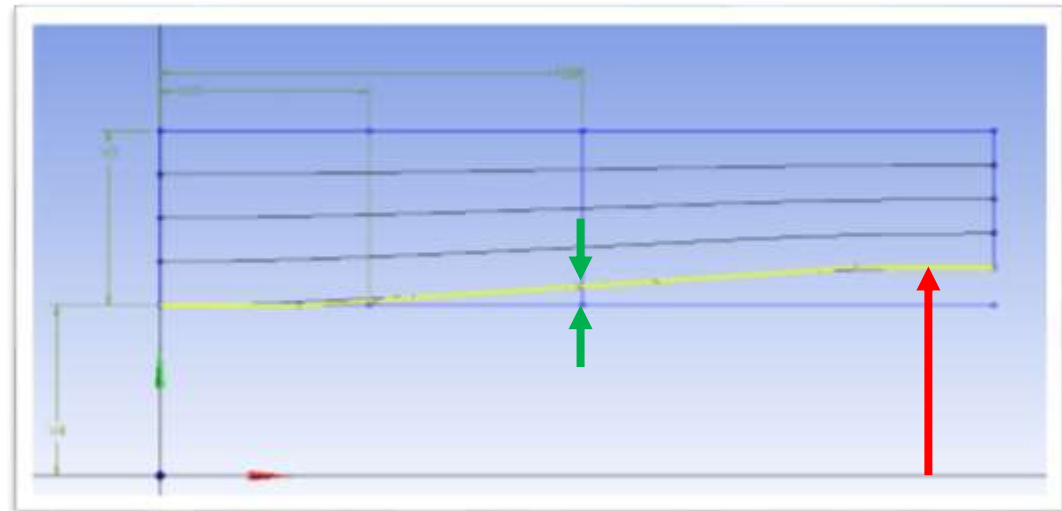
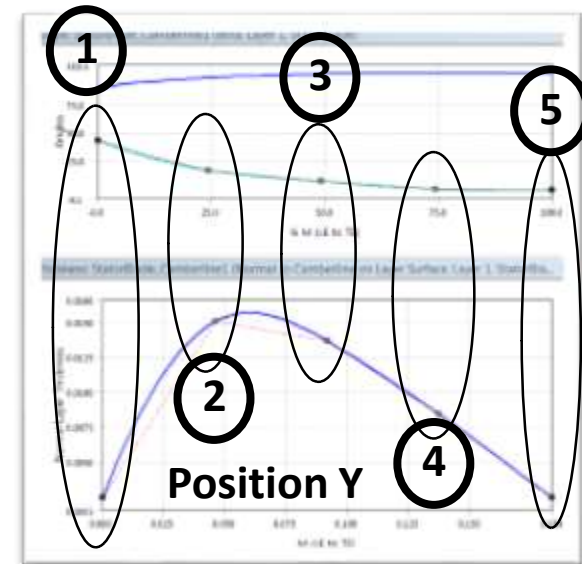


# Parameter Space

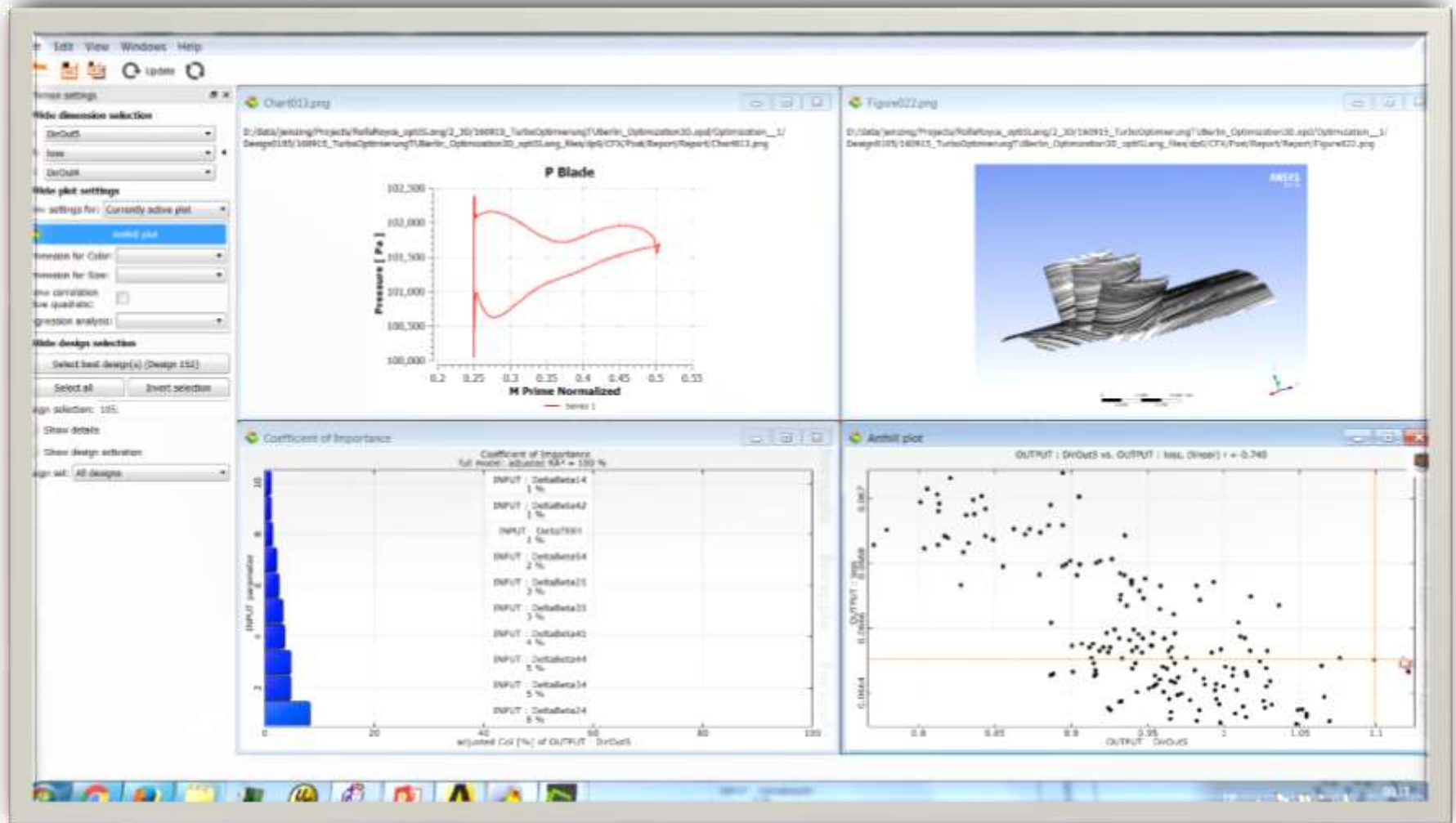
- Input Parameter
  - DeltaBetaXY [-5°; +5°]
    - Layer X, Position Y (1-5)
  - DeltaThicknessXY [-0.001; 0]
    - Layer X, Position Y (1-5)
  - Hub Radius @ Outlet
  - Hub Radius Relative @ TE
  - Ellipse Ratio, LE/TE  
Hub&Shroud
- Total 56 Parameter
- Output Parameter:
  - Loss
    - incompressible
    - thermodynamic
  - Flow Angle



Delta wrt to pre-optimized 2D design



# Sensitivity Analysis – Monitoring



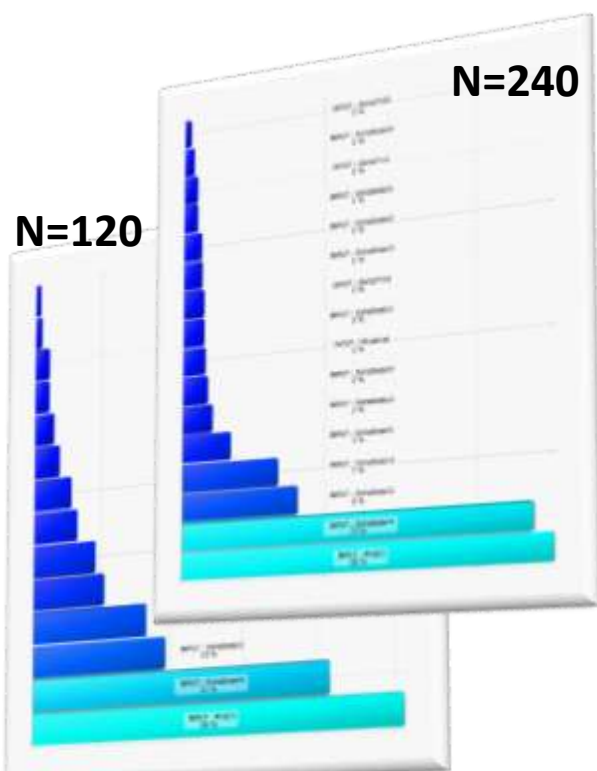


# Sensitivity Analysis - Summary

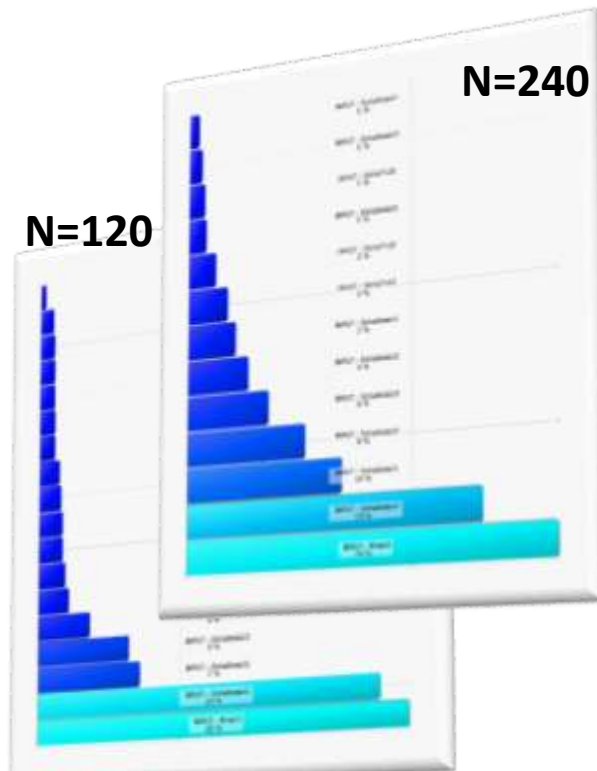
CoP = f(#Designs)	120	240
Loss incompressible	80	80
Loss thermodynamic	79	81
Flow Angle	96	96

## Conclusion:

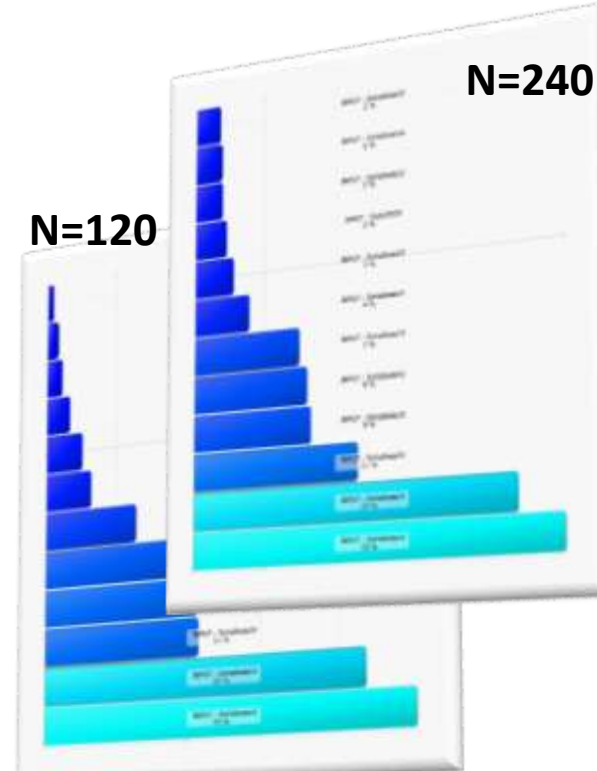
- CoP small increase
- Important Parameters: small change
- 2 dominating Parameter per Output



Loss incompressible



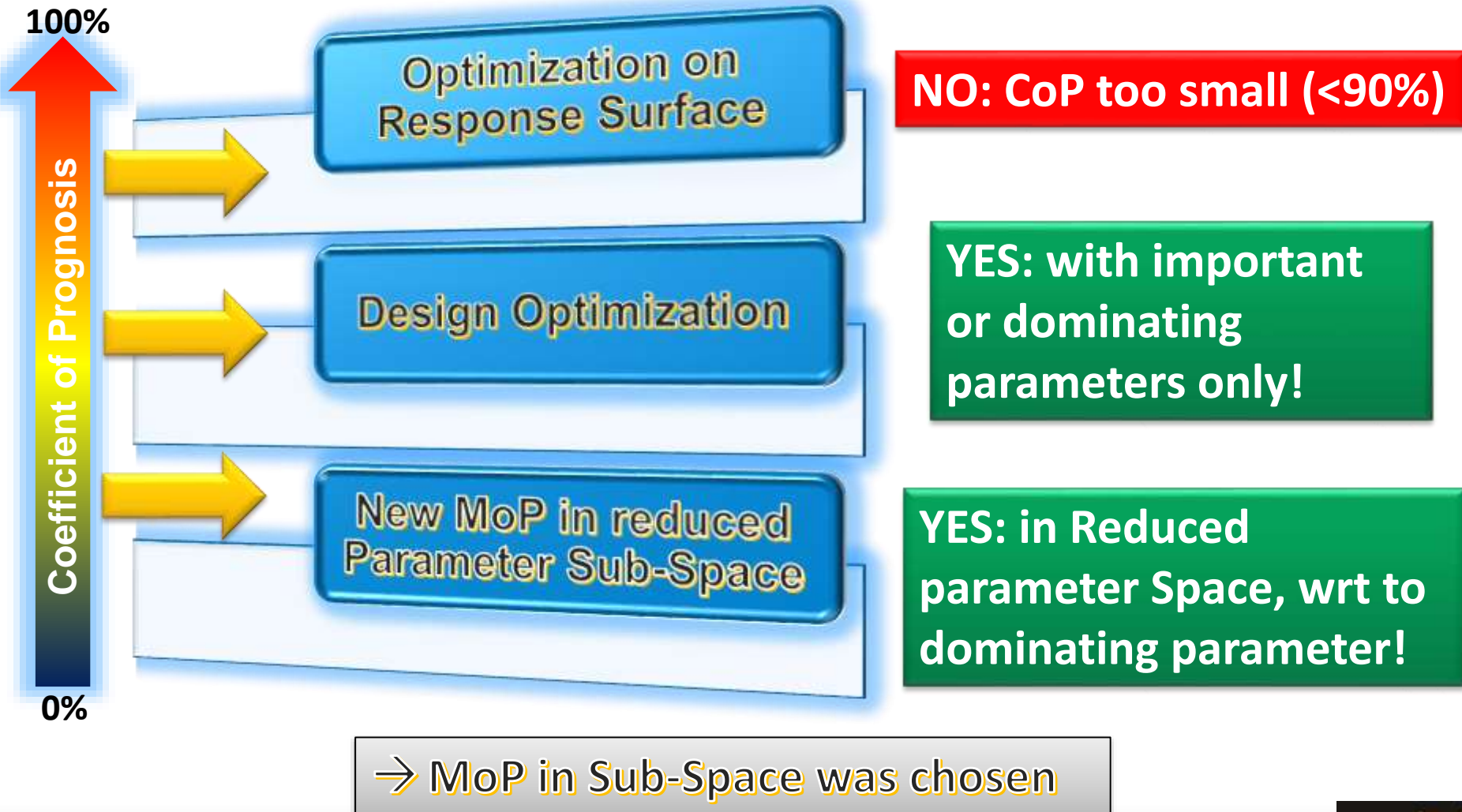
Loss thermodynamic



Flow Angle



# Sensitivity Analysis – next Step

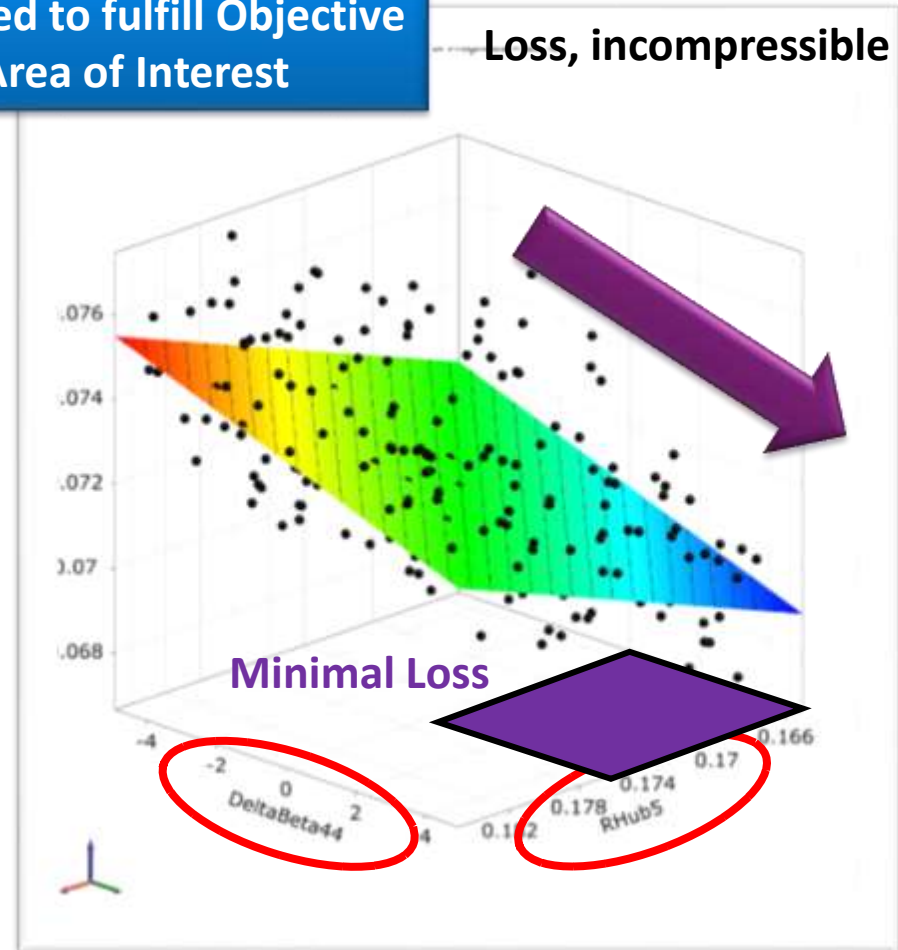
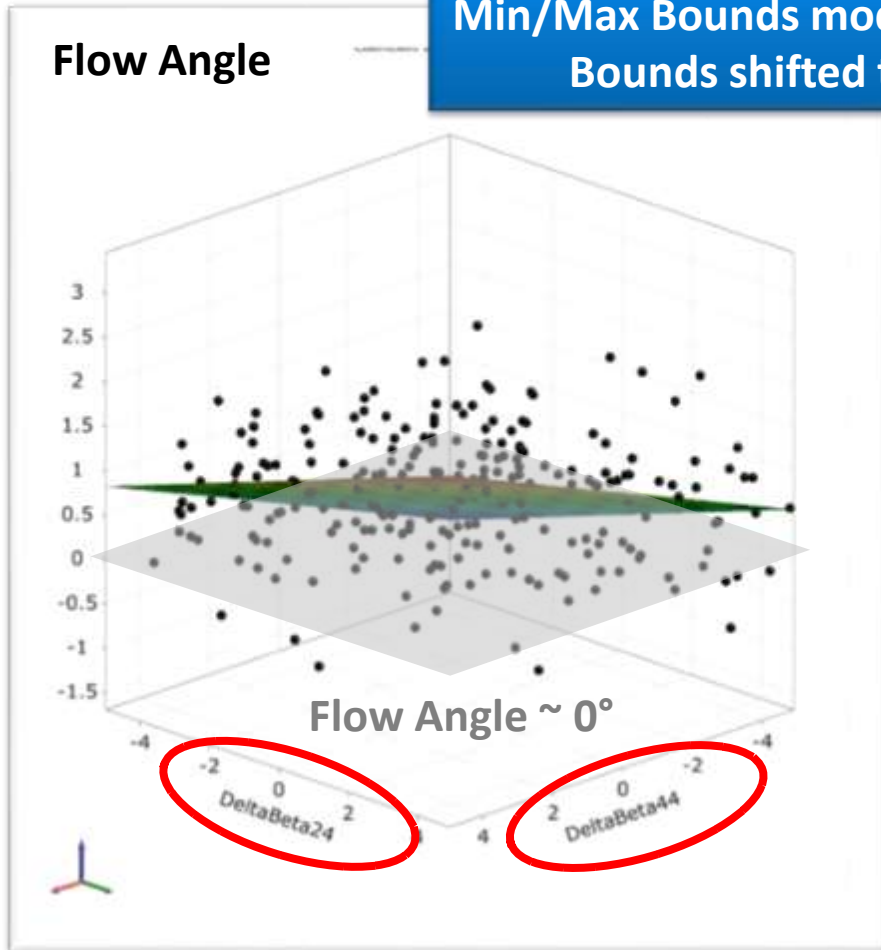


# Sensitivity Analysis – Space Reduction

3 dominating Parameters  
Min/Max Bounds modified to fulfill Objective  
Bounds shifted to Area of Interest

Flow Angle

Loss, incompressible

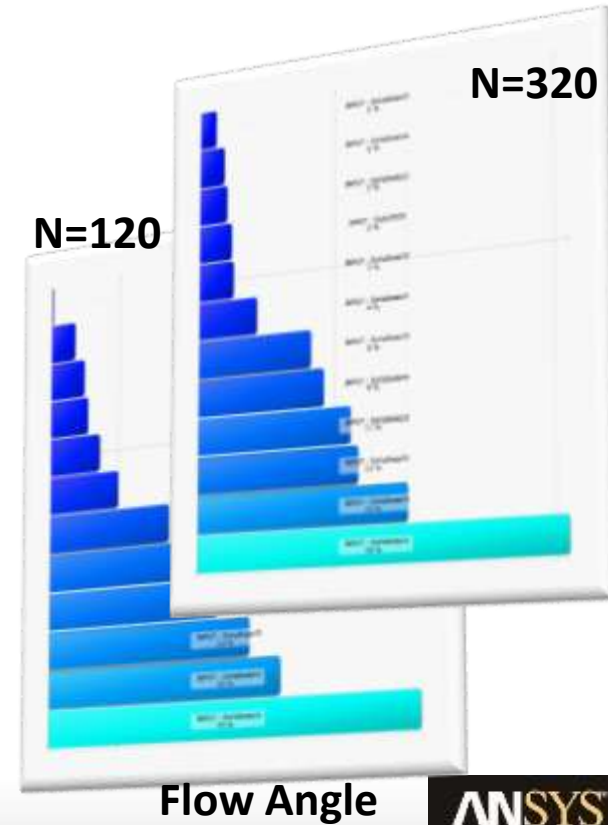
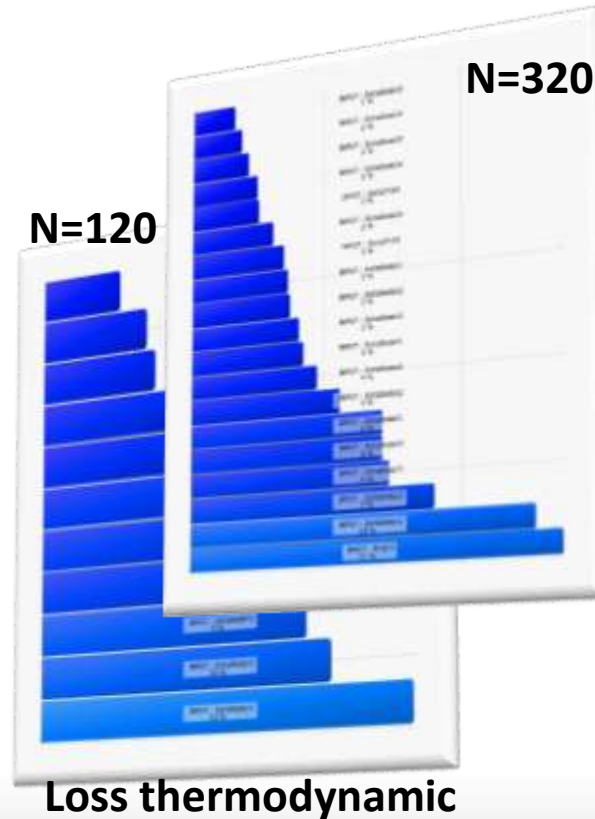
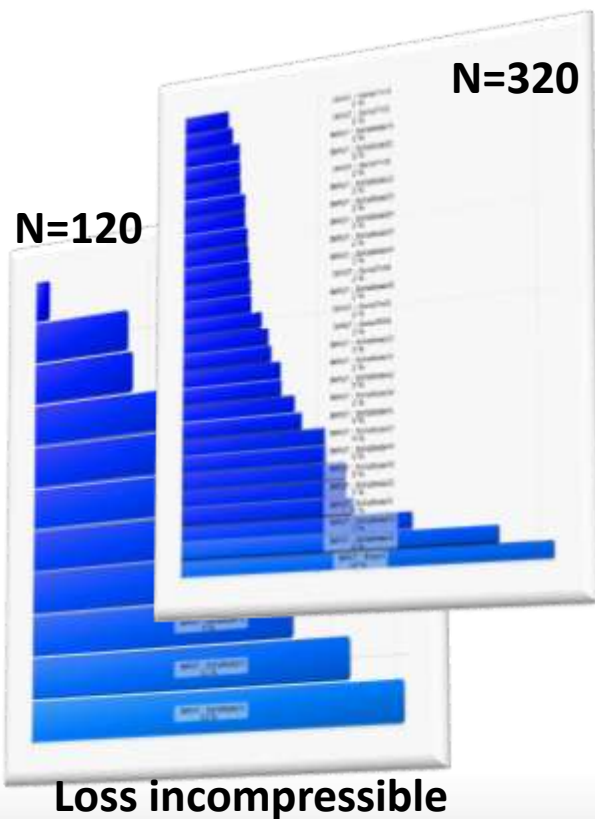


# Sensitivity in Sub-Space - Summary

CoP = f(#Designs)	120	320
Loss incompressible	70	70
Loss thermodynamic	68	70
Flow Angle	95	96

## Conclusion:

- CoP small increase/decrease
- Important Parameters: increase
- High dimensional MoP!



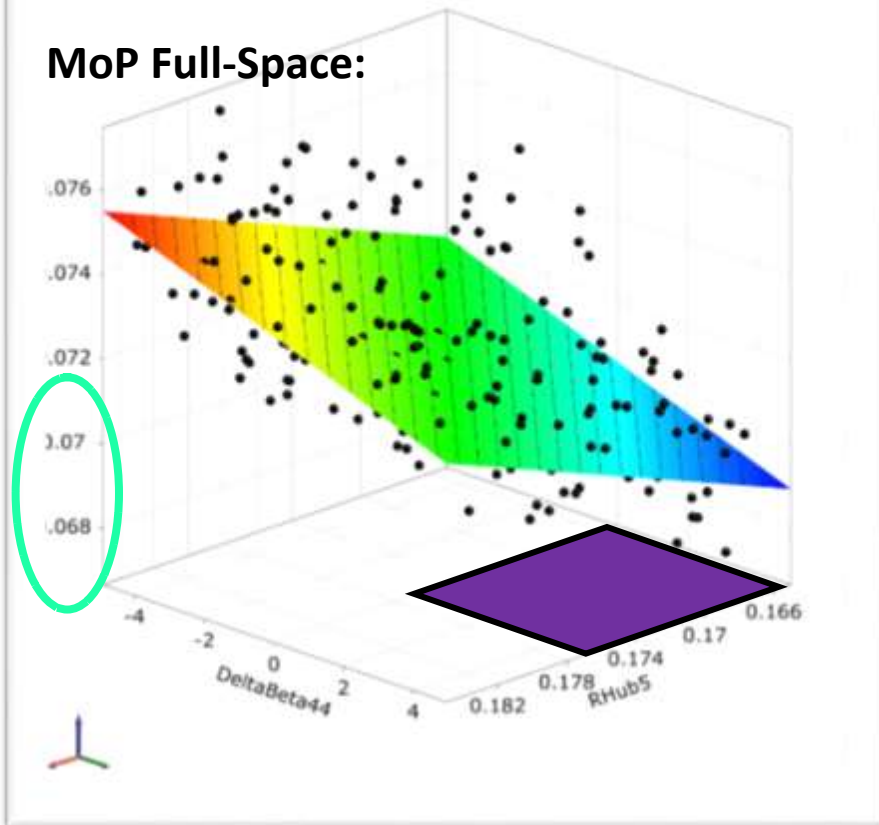


# Sensitivity in Sub-Space – Response Surface

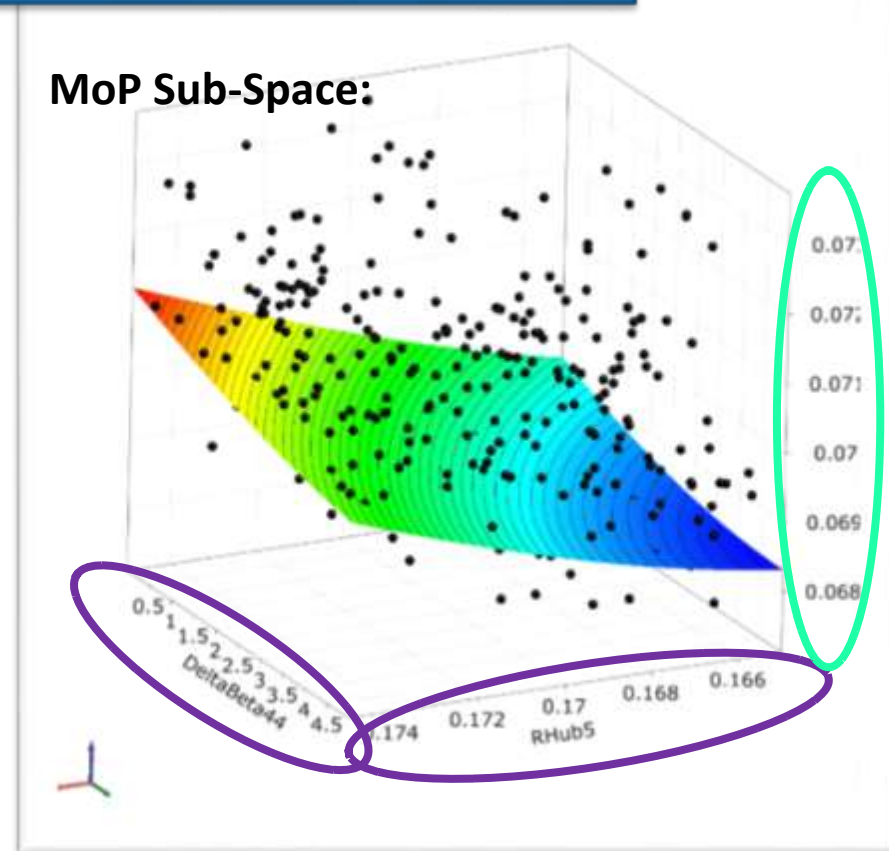
Loss incompressible: Full-Space to Sub-Space

- Visual: “refined area, with additional curvature”
- Sub-Space is high dimensional, medium CoP

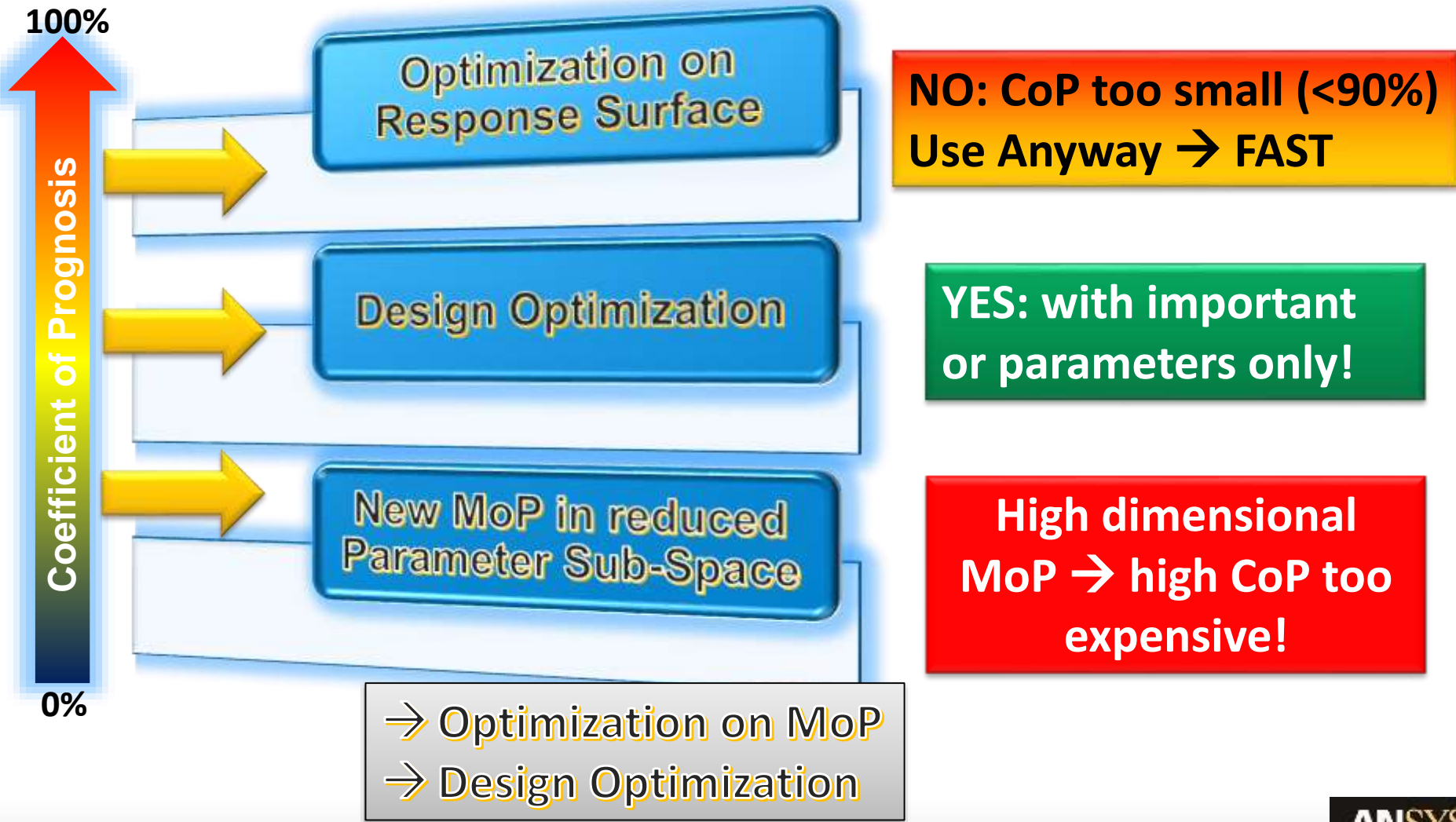
MoP Full-Space:



MoP Sub-Space:

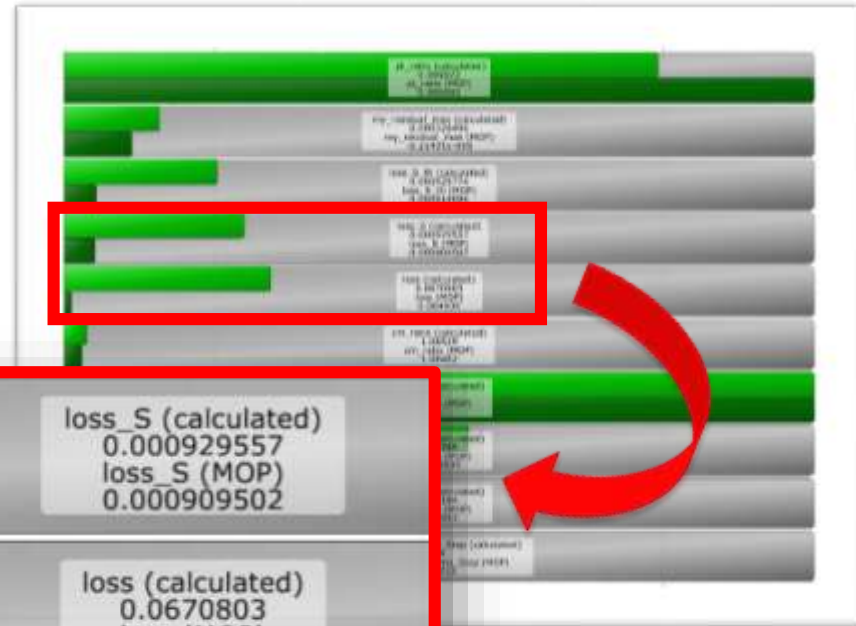
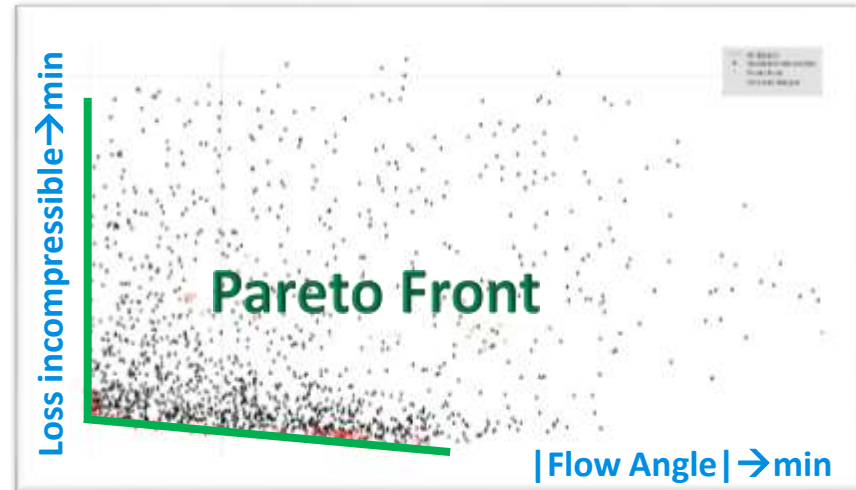


# Sensitivity in Sub-Space – next Step



# Design Optimization – on MoP

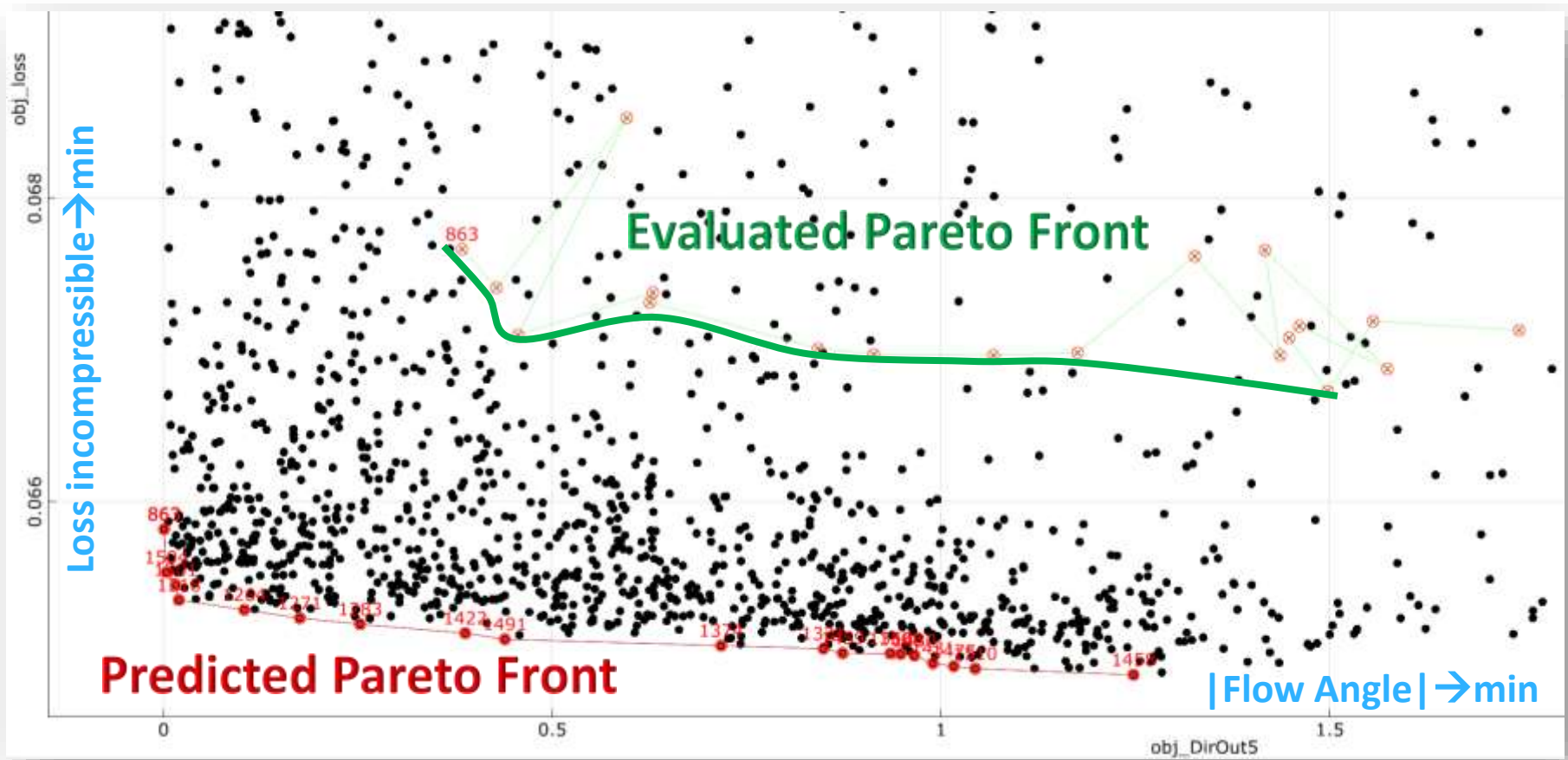
- Pareto Optimization=expensive!
- Optimization Conflict?
  - Loss  $\rightarrow$  min
  - |Flow Angle|  $\rightarrow$  min
  - Yes, but week
- Optimization on MoP=FAST!
  - Used, even with medium CoP
  - MoP Prediction has medium Quality, due to medium CoP!



	loss_S (calculated) 0.000929557 loss_S (MOP) 0.000909502
	loss (calculated) 0.0670803 loss (MOP) 0.064936

# Design Optimization – on MoP

Quality of Prediction is medium → Design Optimization required  
Weak Conflict between objectives → Single Objective Optimization → faster





# Design Optimization – on CFD

Single Objective Optimization  $\rightarrow$  loss  $\rightarrow$  min  
Constraint:  $|\text{Flow Angle}| < 1^\circ$   
All important Parameter from Sub-Space  
Meta-Model included

Evolutionary Algorithm,  
Convergence

Loss incompressible  $\rightarrow$  min

Constraint:  
 $|\text{Flow Angle}| < 1^\circ$

Best Design

MoP: Evaluated  
Pareto Front

Predicted Pareto Front

$|\text{Flow Angle}| \rightarrow$  min

# Design Optimization – Summary

All Results wrt to  
Parameter Space!

Meta-Model:  
→ Improved Design  
→ “Area of Interest”  
→ Important Variables

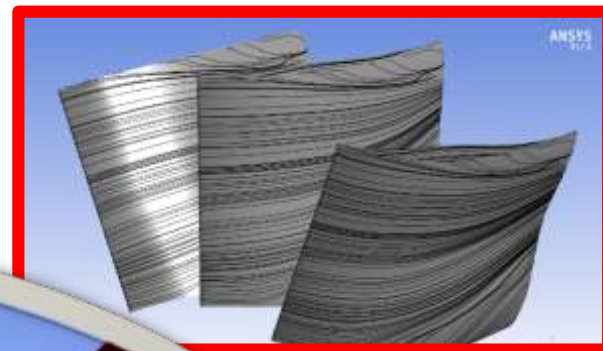
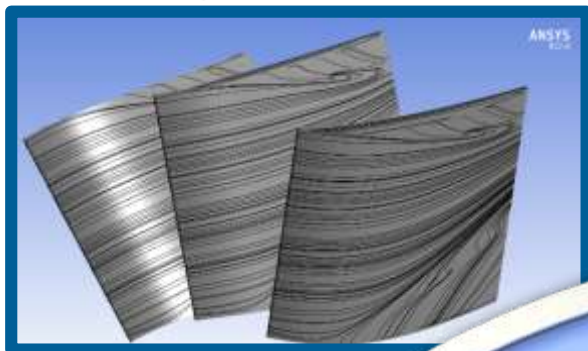
Design Optimization:  
→ Further Improvement  
→ More efficient due to  
→ Important Variables  
→ “Area of Interest”

Knowledge Gain



	Initial Design	Meta-Model Prediction	Meta-Model Evaluated	Design Optimization	Δ Initial vs Optimized
Loss incompr. [%]	<b>6.92</b>	6.49	6.71	<b>6.63</b>	<b>-4.2%</b>
Loss therm. [1e-3]	<b>0.961</b>	0.909	0.929	<b>0.919</b>	<b>-4.4%</b>
Flow Angle [°]	<b>3.49</b>	0.989	1.45	<b>0.998</b>	<b>-2.5°</b>
#Designs	<b>1</b>	320	1	<b>169</b>	

# Design Optimization – Result



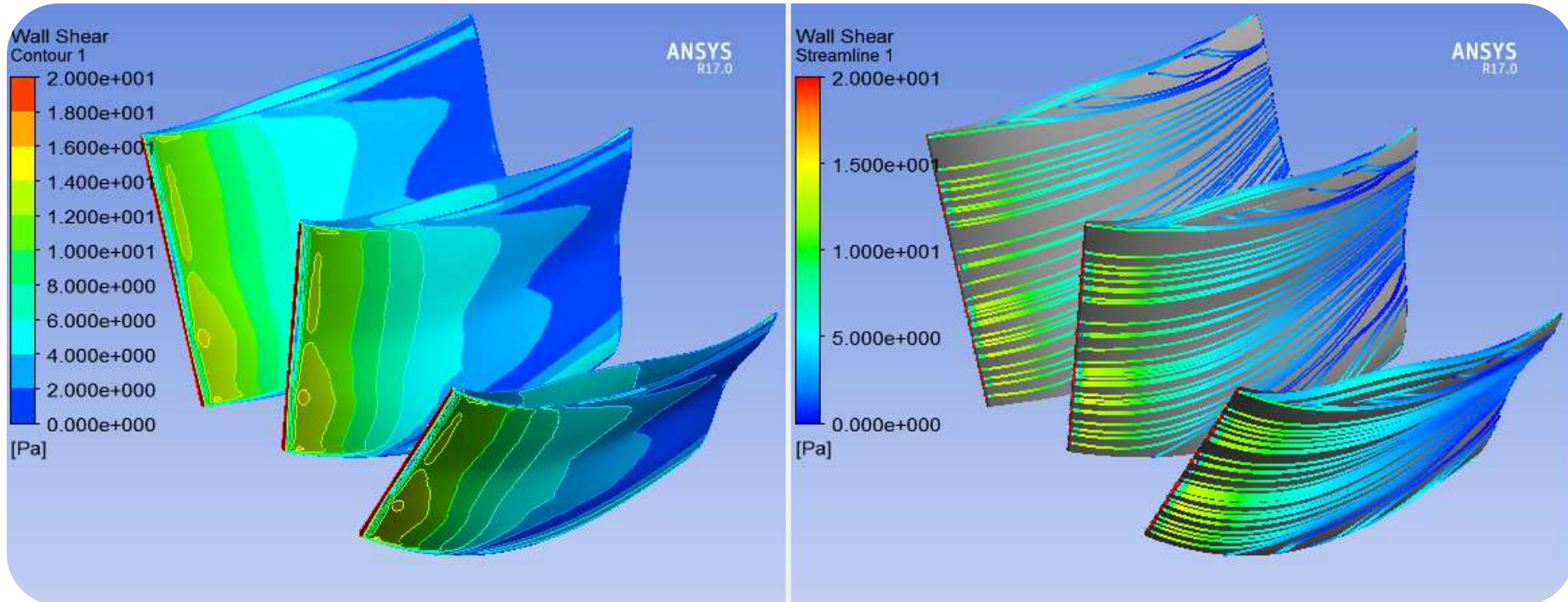
**Initial  
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**Optimized  
Design**



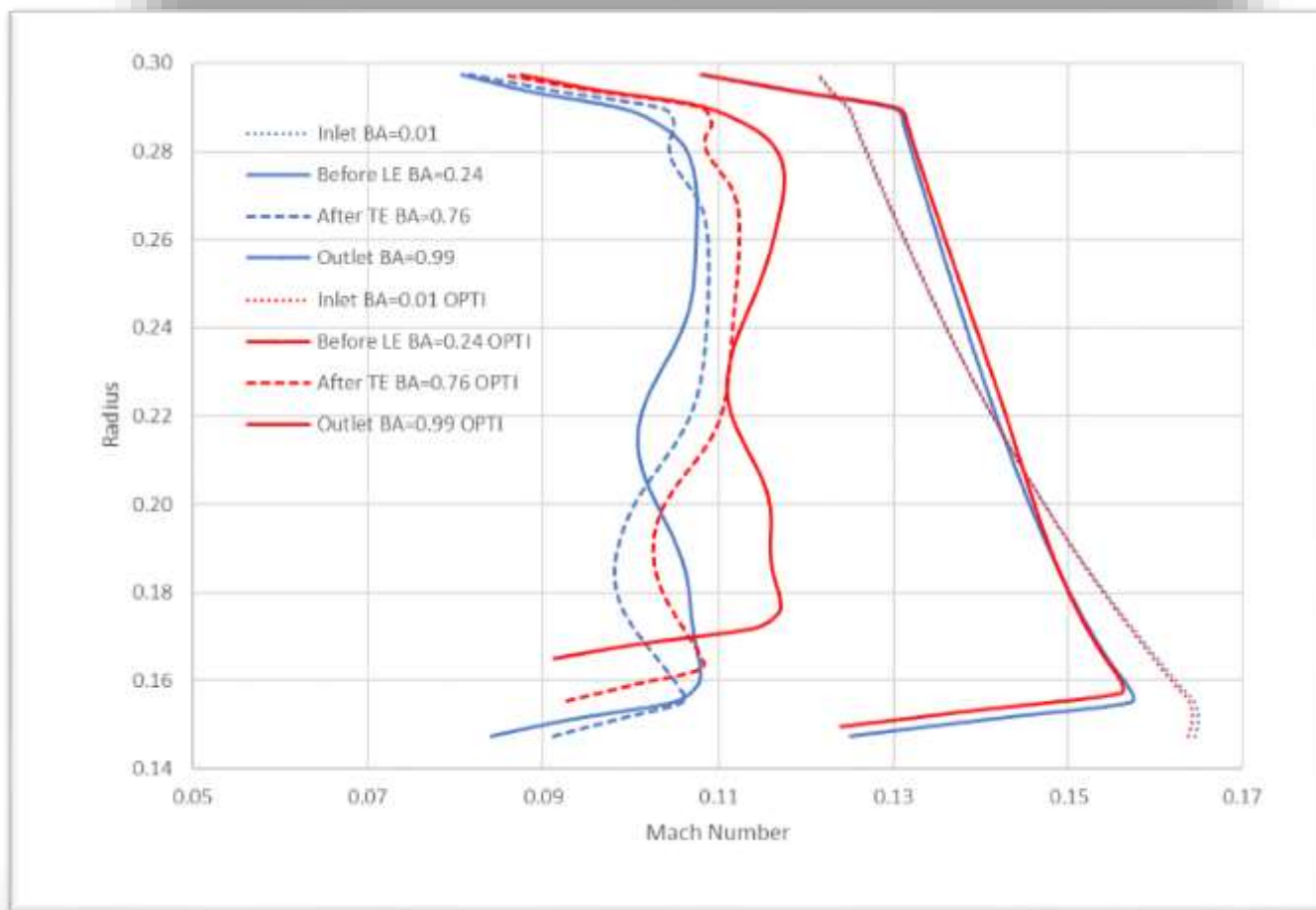
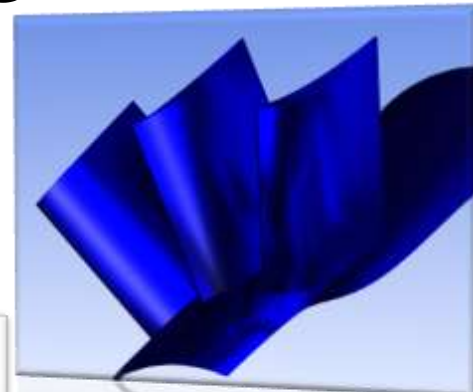
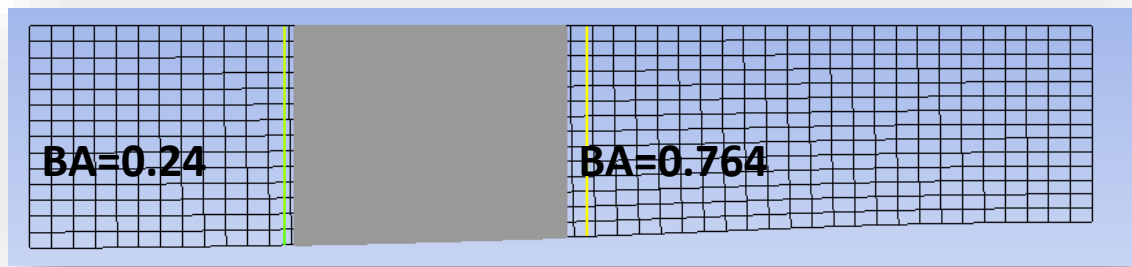
# Design Optimization – Outlook

Recirculation could not be removed in defined Parameter Space  
→ Review Parameter and Limits to avoid recirculation

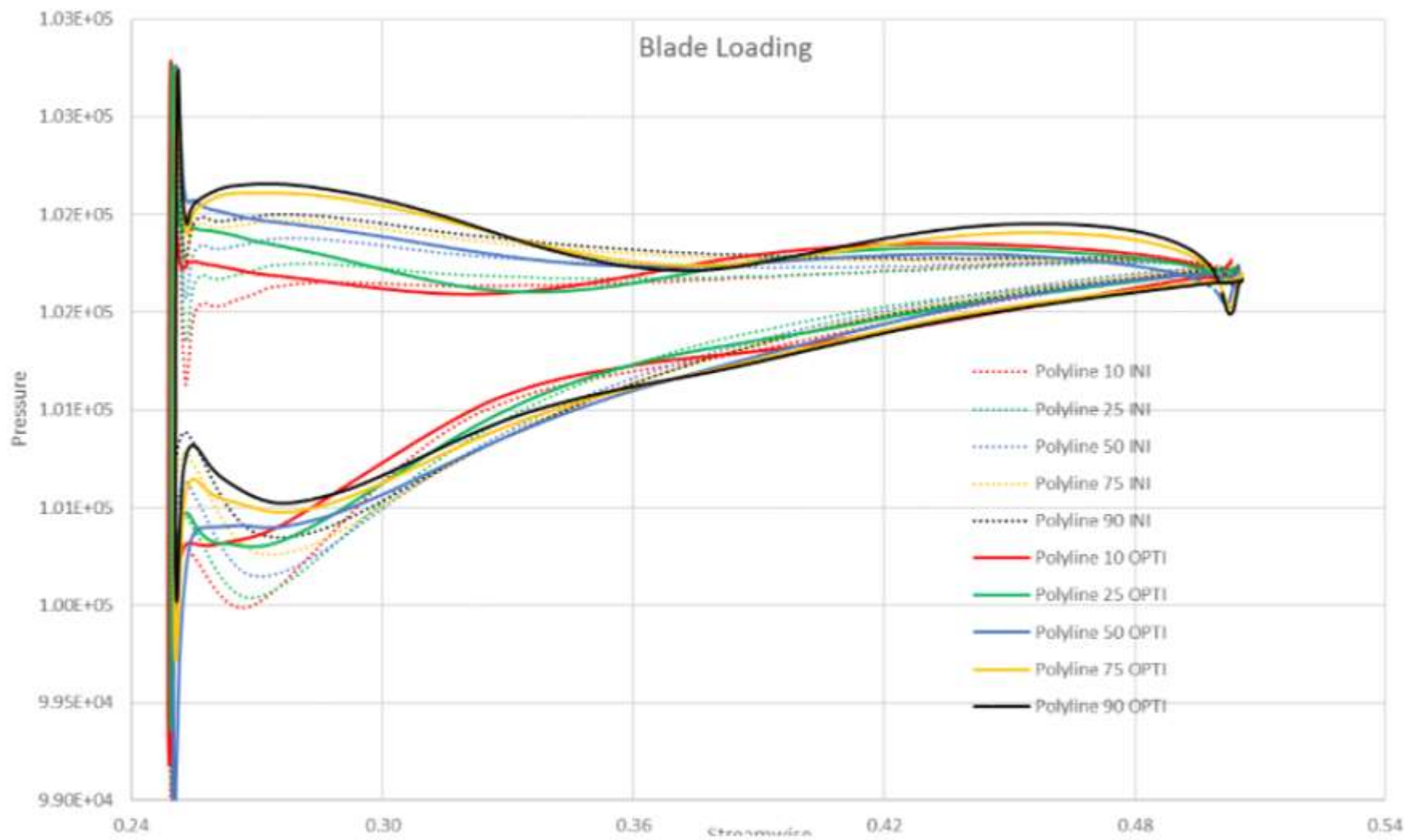




# Design Optimization – Velocity Profile



# Design Optimization – Blade Loading



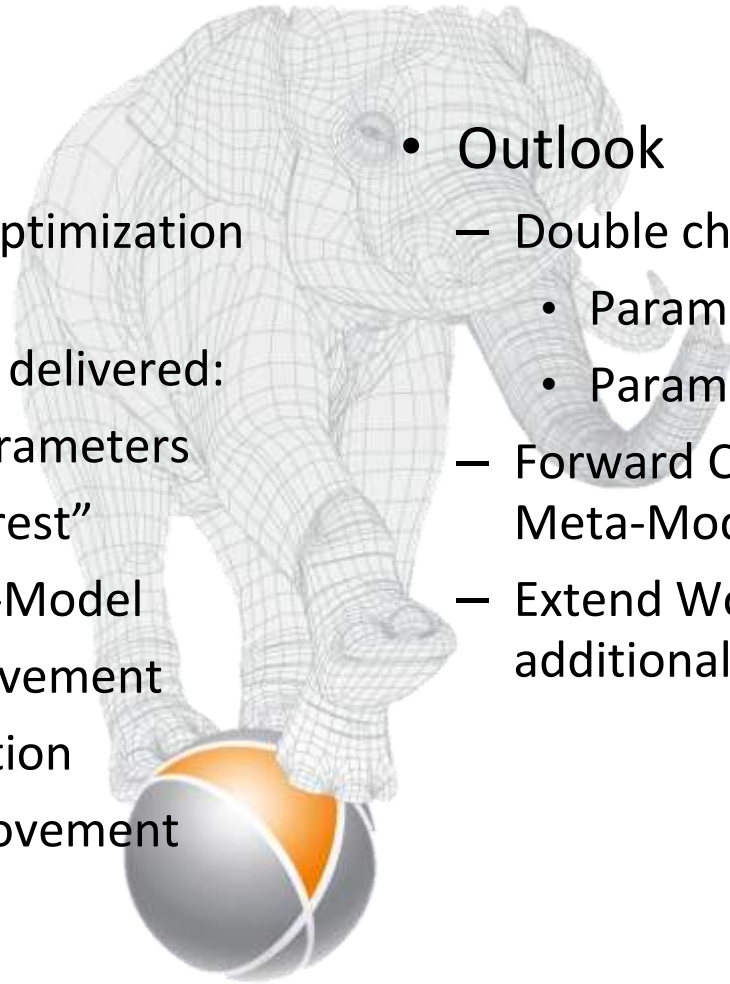
# Summary & Outlook

- Summary

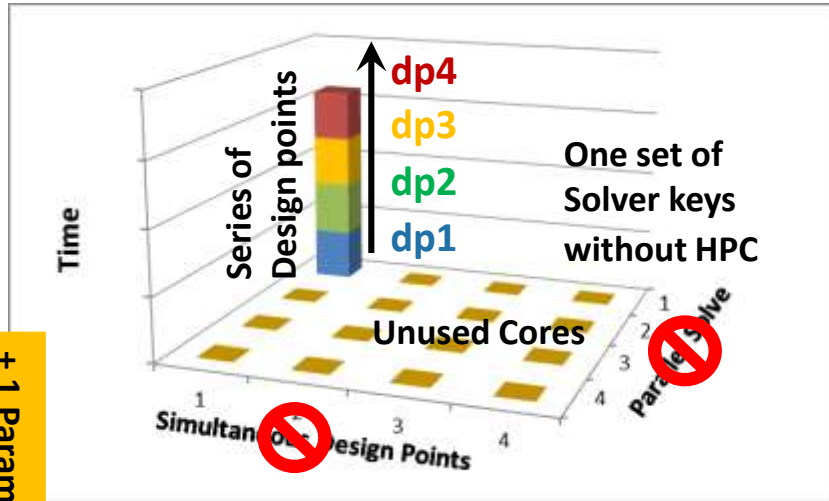
- GUI supported Optimization Process
- Full Meta-Model delivered:
  - important Parameters
  - “Area of Interest”
- Sub-Space Meta-Model
  - Design Improvement
- Design Optimization
  - Further Improvement

- Outlook

- Double check initial:
  - Parameterization
  - Parameter Bounds
- Forward Convergence Study of Meta-Model
- Extend Workflow with additional operating Points

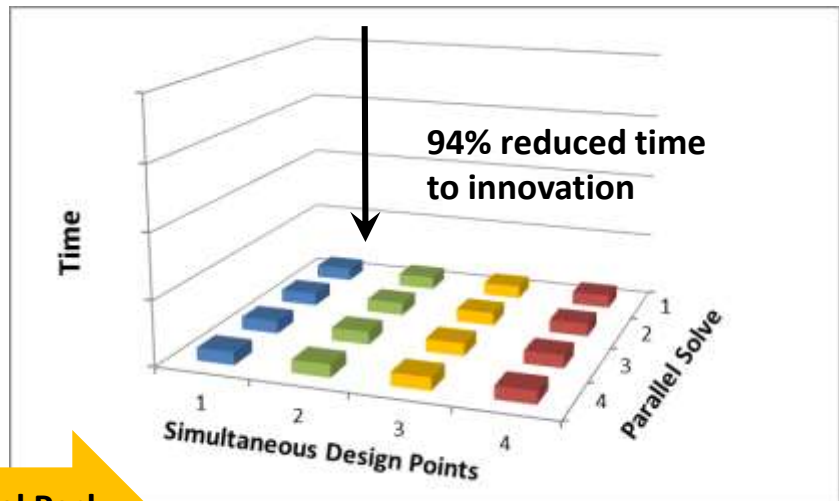
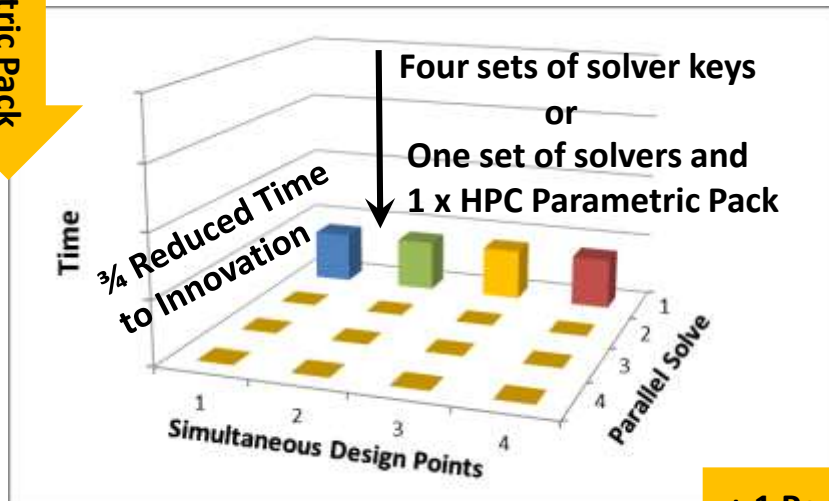


# Optimization and HPC Pack License



- A lot of calculations!
- How can these calculations be done in a quick way?

+ 1 Parametric Pack



+ 1 Parallel Pack