

From Topology Optimization to Robust Design Optimization

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Overview for Optimization in ANSYS Workbench



Example for Topology Optimization: PowerWind GmbH

6 different loadcases were considered



by courtesy of PowerWind GmbH



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Project Description

Create a design within a predefined space, that

- consists of beams with predefined cross section profiles
- where the beams do not exceed a predefined stress
- where the 1st frequency will be as large as possible
- where the structure will be a 2- σ design or higher due to appearing stresses





Topology Optimization

Steps to do topology optimization with <u>several</u> load cases:





Topology Optimization



- → Use Topology Optimization in Workbench
- \rightarrow Several load cases can be considered:
- \rightarrow a "one-click-solution"





Topology Optimization

Use topology idea, to create a manufacturable concept:



Parameterize the beam structure to allow different design constellations:

Parameter Manager		
splitl	=	0.64
split2	=	0.45
split3	=	0.75
split4	=	0.45
split5	=	0.65
split6	=	0.5



Topology Optimization

What's been done so far:





Robust Design Optimization with "optiSLang inside Workbench"

General Information:

Dynardo integrated "optiSLang" in ANSYS Workbench as an easy-touse tool.

It's called "optiSLang inside Workbench"



 \rightarrow It will be used for the "Robust Design Optimization" Workflow



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General Workflow in ANSYS Workbench:



Robust Design Optimization with "optiSLang inside Workbench"

Step 1: Sensitivity Analysis - Setup



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Stress:88 %Deformation:84 %Frequency:80 %

→ Important parameters:

split2, split3, split6



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Step 2: First Optimization







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Step 2: First Optimization - Results







Stress = 40.87 < 41.5 (limit) Deformation = 0.169 < 0.17 (limit) 1^{st} Frequency = 27.9



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Step 3: Robustness Evaluation with optimized design



The current sigma level for this design is: (41.5-41.16)/0.242 = 1.4

 \rightarrow not good enough



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Step 4: Second Optimization with changed constraint

Define new stress constraint: $\sigma < 41.2$ d < 0.17frequency \rightarrow max





Stress = 39.0 < 41.5 Deformation = 0.168 < 0.17 1st Frequency = 27.8



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Step 5: Robustness evaluation with second optimized design



Now, the sigma level is $> 2\sigma$

→ ok! optional: 3rd run with interpolated stress-





Conclusion

- \rightarrow Topology Optimization good for finding a concept
- → Parametric Optimization good to work with manufacturable parameters and in more than 1 physics domain
- → Robust Design Optimization can now be done inside Workbench in a very quick way: "optiSLang inside Workbench"
- \rightarrow easy-to-use tool, that safes time for the user:



Thanks for your attention!



