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Double Double (DD)

Opening the frontiers between manufacturing, materials
and optimum design of composite structures

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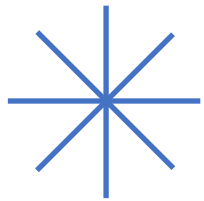
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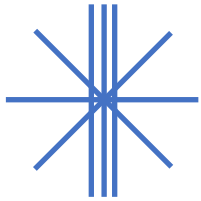
Double Double Performance vs Quad

Quad performance is managed by adding 0° , $\pm 45^\circ$ or 90° plies.

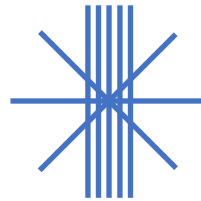
Quad is discrete.



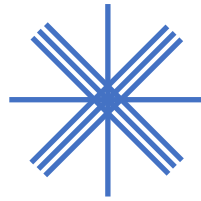
$\pi/4$: 4



Hard1: 6



Hard2: 8



Soft: 8

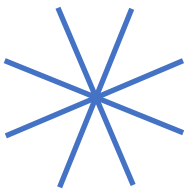
Must add number of plies: 4 to 6, 8, 10, ...

Thousands of stacking permutations

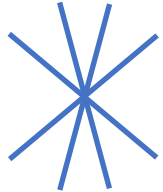
Cannot drops must be in pairs

Cannot maintain same properties

Double Double performance is managed by tuning Φ & Ψ . DD is continuous, adjustable.



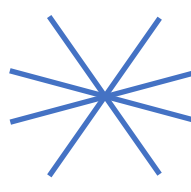
$\pi/4$: 4



Hard1: 4



Hard2: 4



Soft: 4

DD is always 4 plies, easier homogenization

Ply drop simple and one at a time

Keep same properties and save weight

What is your name?

Quad: my name is $[45/90/-45_2/90/-45/90/-45/0_2/45/0_2/45_2/0]_s$,

my siblings: $[90/45/-45_2/90/...$

$[90/-45/-45_2/90/...$

$[45_2/90/-45_2/90/...$

...

and over 100,000 of us!

How to choose the best. Humanly impossible.

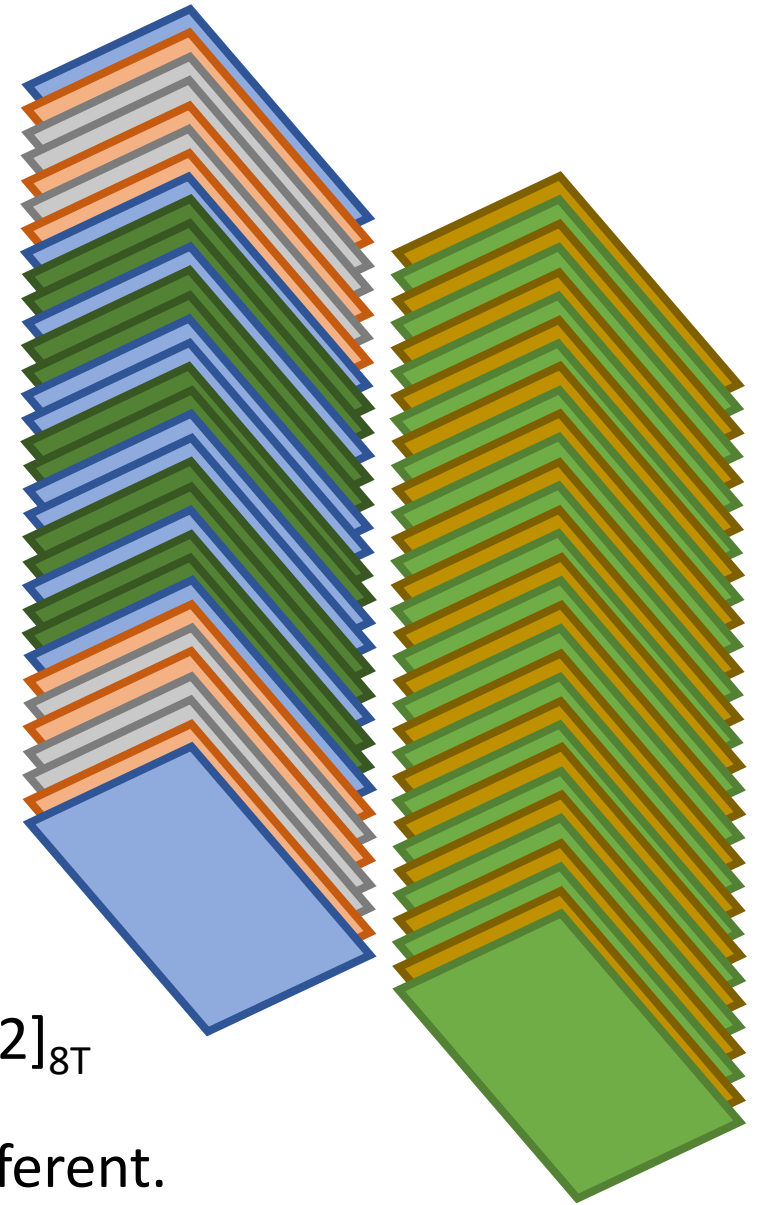
DD: my name is $[\pm 18/\pm 62/\pm 18/\pm 62/\pm 18/\pm 62/.../\pm 18/\pm 62]_T$, or

$[\pm 18/\pm 62]_{8T}$, for short. I have 3 siblings:

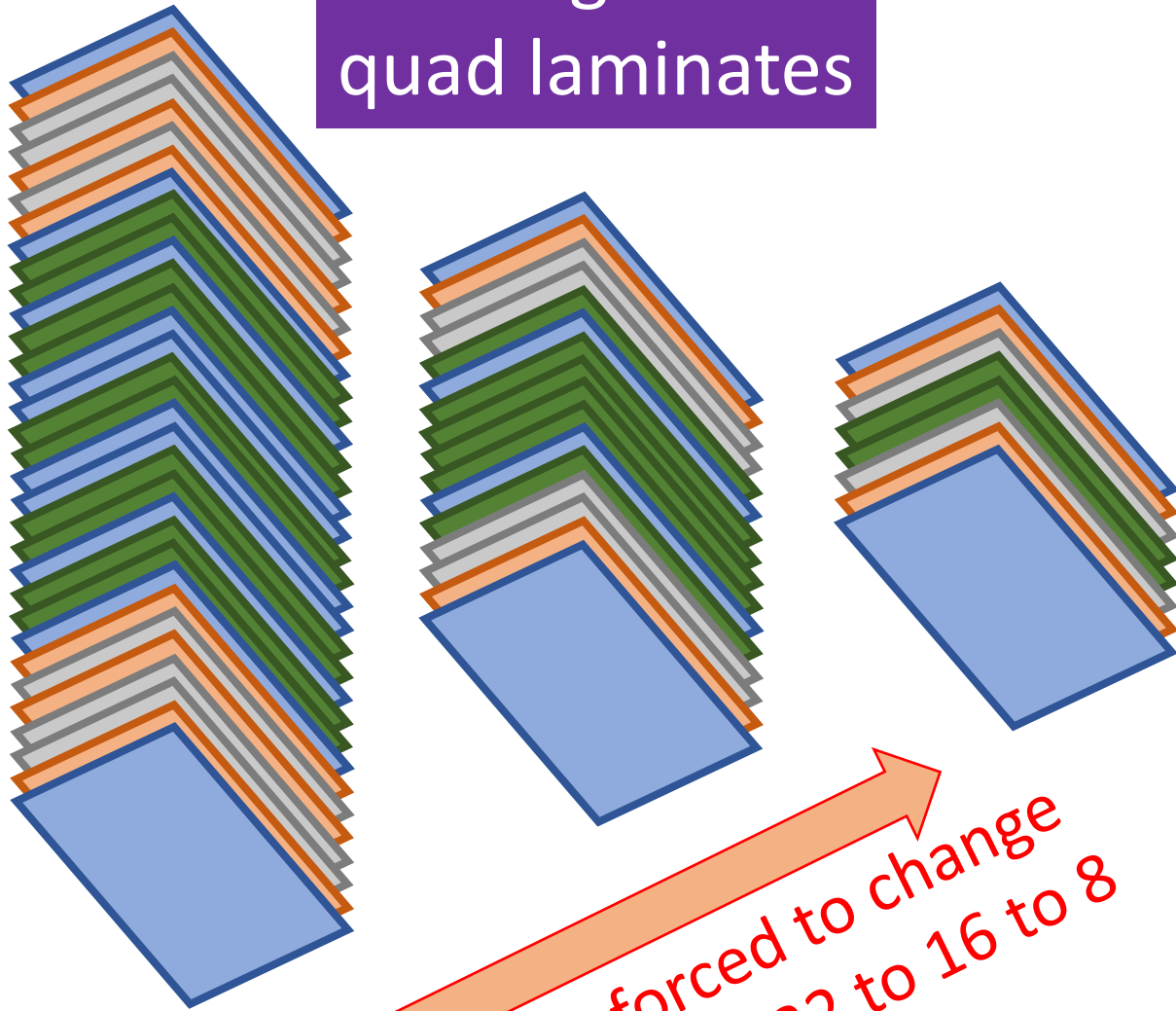
$[\pm 62/\pm 18]_{8T}$, $[18/62/-62/-18]_{8T}$, $[62/-18/18/-62]_{8T}$

Me and siblings are all the same inside. Only our faces are different.

Any one of us will do well. Same as the quad but much cleaner.

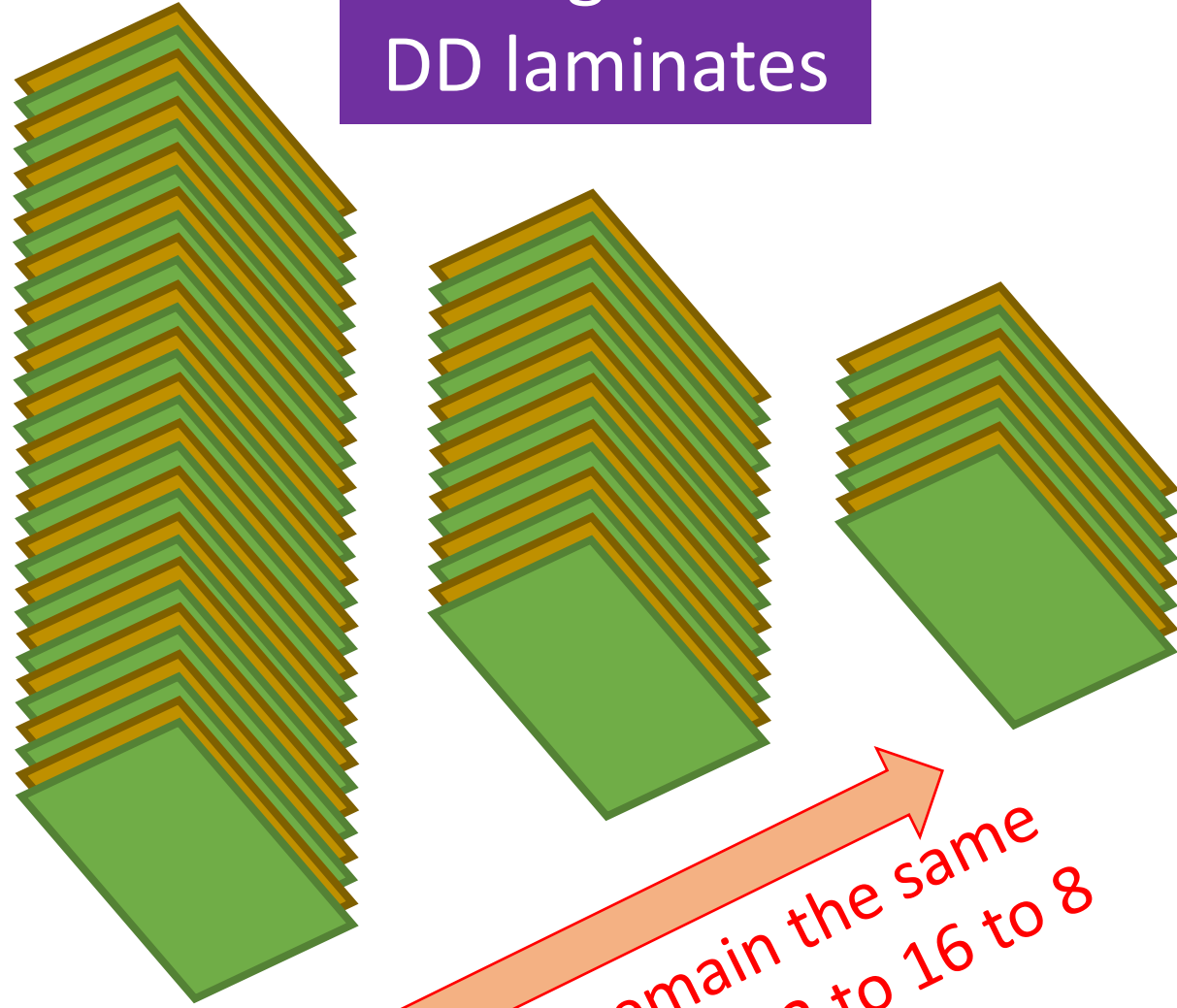


Heterogeneous quad laminates



Properties forced to change
as plies go from 32 to 16 to 8

Homogeneous DD laminates



Properties remain the same
as plies go from 32 to 16 to 8

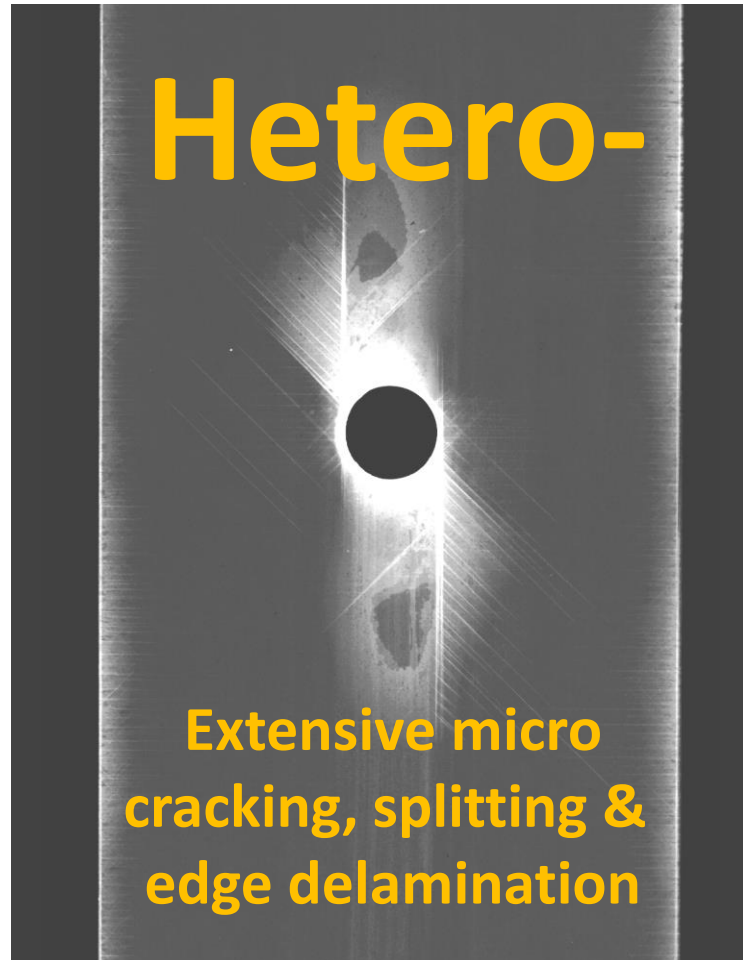
Hetero- vs homo-geneous hard laminate

Sangwook Sihn

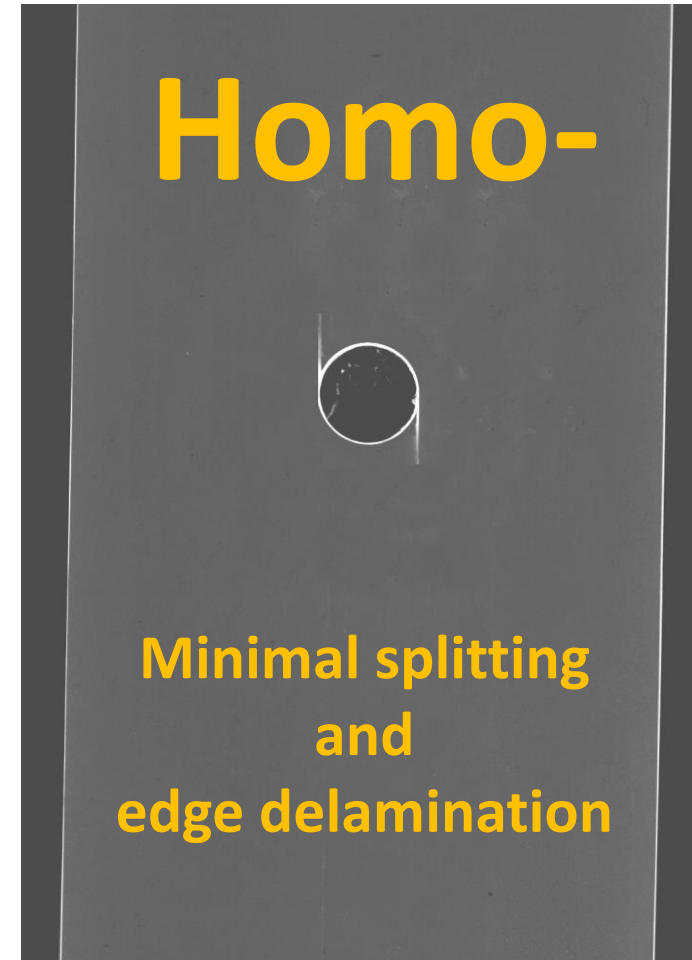
$\sigma_{\max} = 70$ ksi (70% static), $R = 0.1$, $f = 5$ Hz, after 73,000 cycles

Ply thickness = 0.04 mm, Laminate thickness = 3.2 mm

$[45_5/0_{10}/-45_5/90_5/45_5/0_{10}/-45_5/0_5]_S$



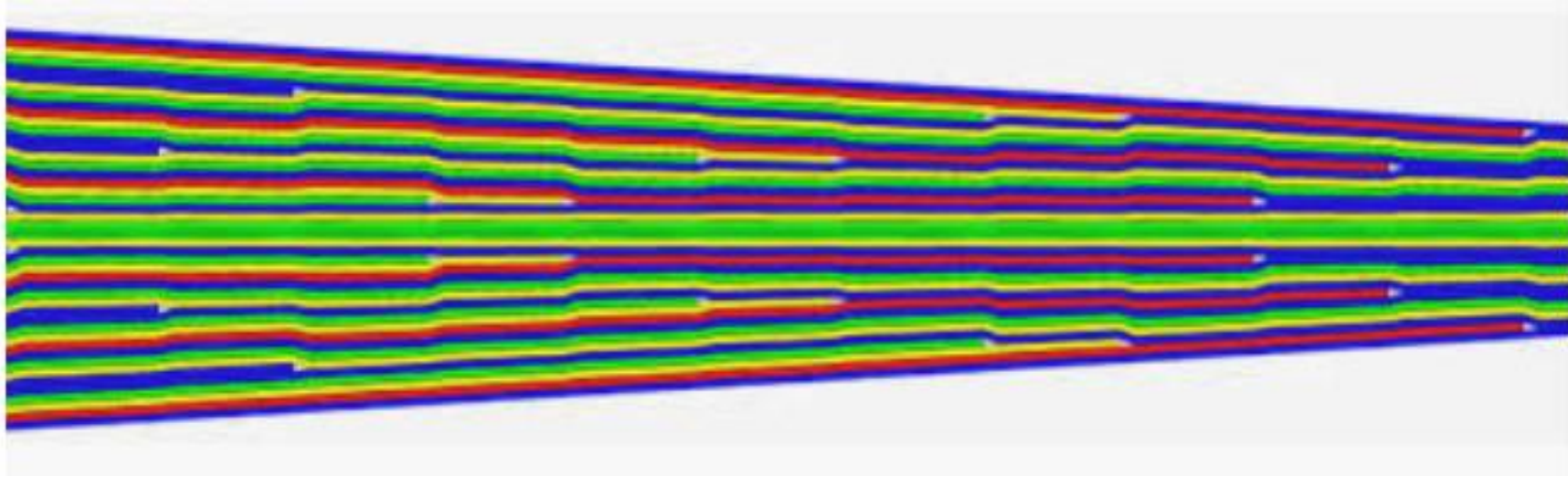
$[45/0_2/-45/90/45/0_2/-45/0]_{SS}$



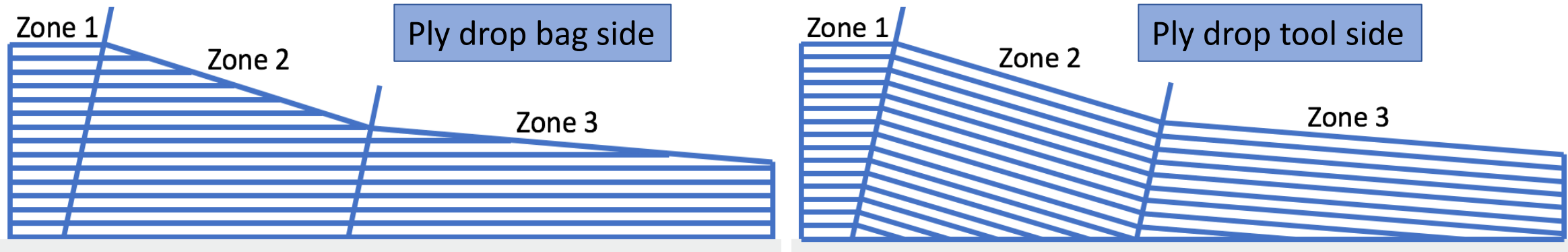
Legacy quad vs double-double: homogenization

Legacy quad

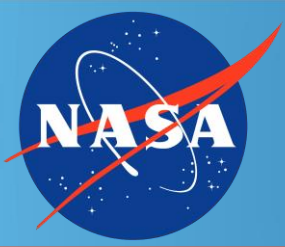
Thousands of
discontinuities



DD



Homogenized body: no internal discontinuities

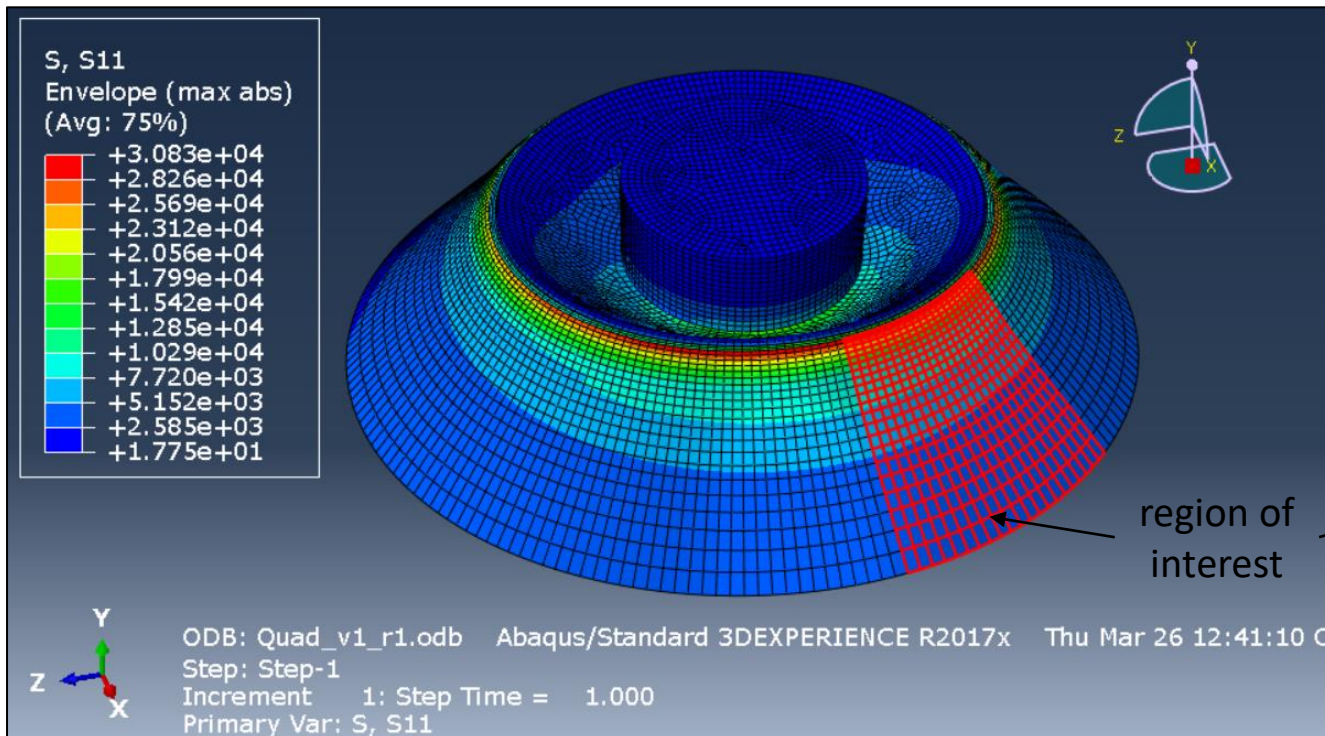


Post-processing

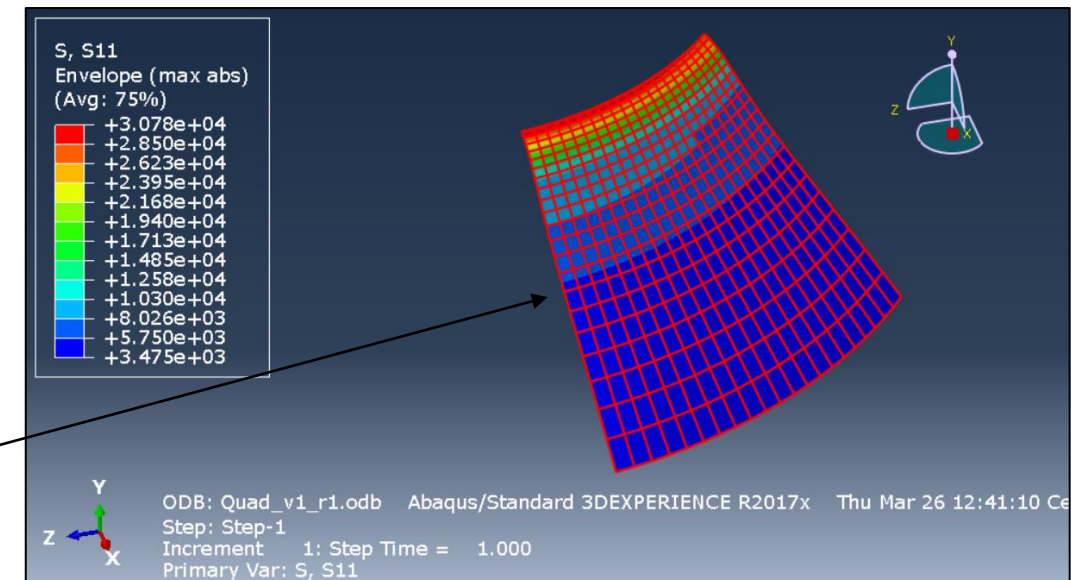


Stresses

- 21x21 mesh in worst-case location on adapter considered; stresses averaged over 49 regions (each region includes 9 elements)
- Local stresses (S11, S22, S12) for each ply extracted from Abaqus, then used to calculate Tsai-Wu stress ratios (R-values) over 49 regions in each ply
- Critical R-values and corresponding ply locations identified from ply-by-ply data



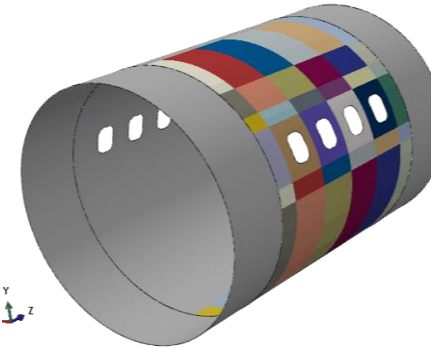
577 lb reduced to 302 lb: -48%



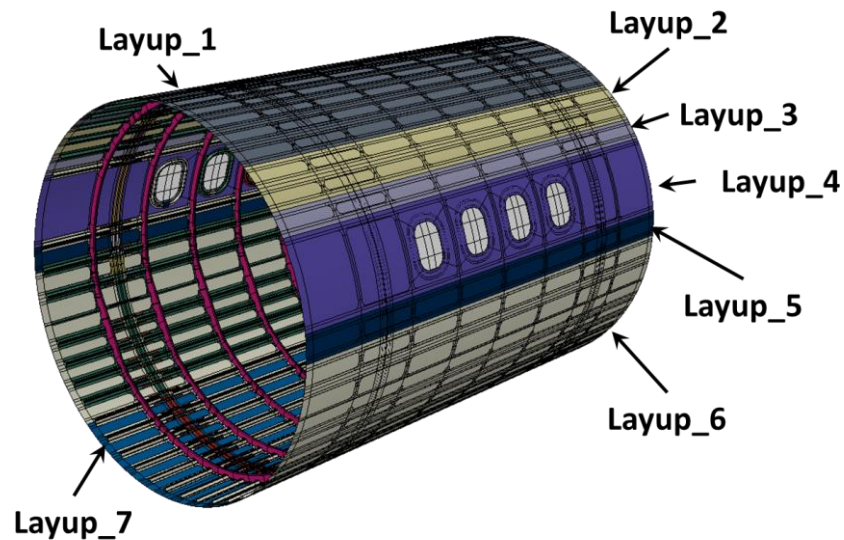
Cell Definition

- The Fuselage barrel has been divided in $7 \times 6 = 42$ cells
- The stacking sequence has been set constant within each cell
- The starting skin has been divided in 7 regions with the same layup

Weight reduced: 48%



Defined cells



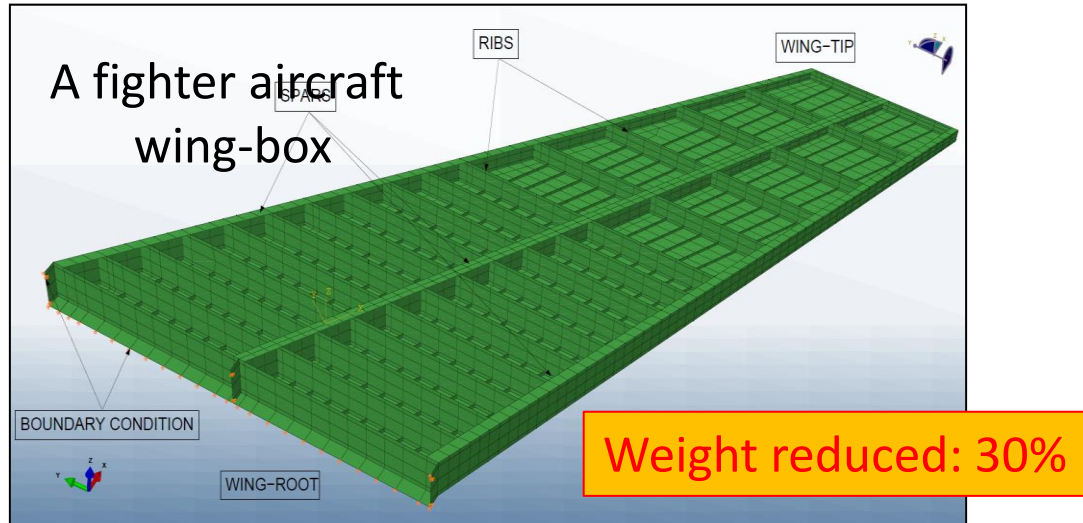
Regions with the same layup



	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	A_1	B_1	C_1	D_1	E_1	F_1
2	A_2	B_2	C_2	D_2	E_2	F_2
3	A_3	B_3	C_3	D_3	E_3	F_3
4	A_4	B_4	C_4	D_4	E_4	F_4
5	A_5	B_5	C_5	D_5	E_5	F_5
6	A_6	B_6	C_6	D_6	E_6	F_6
7	A_7	B_7	C_7	D_7	E_7	F_7

Cell ID

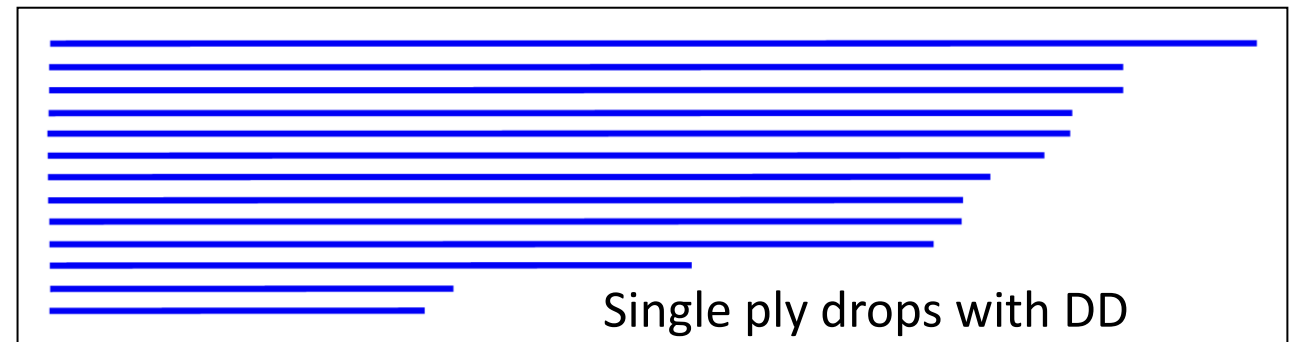
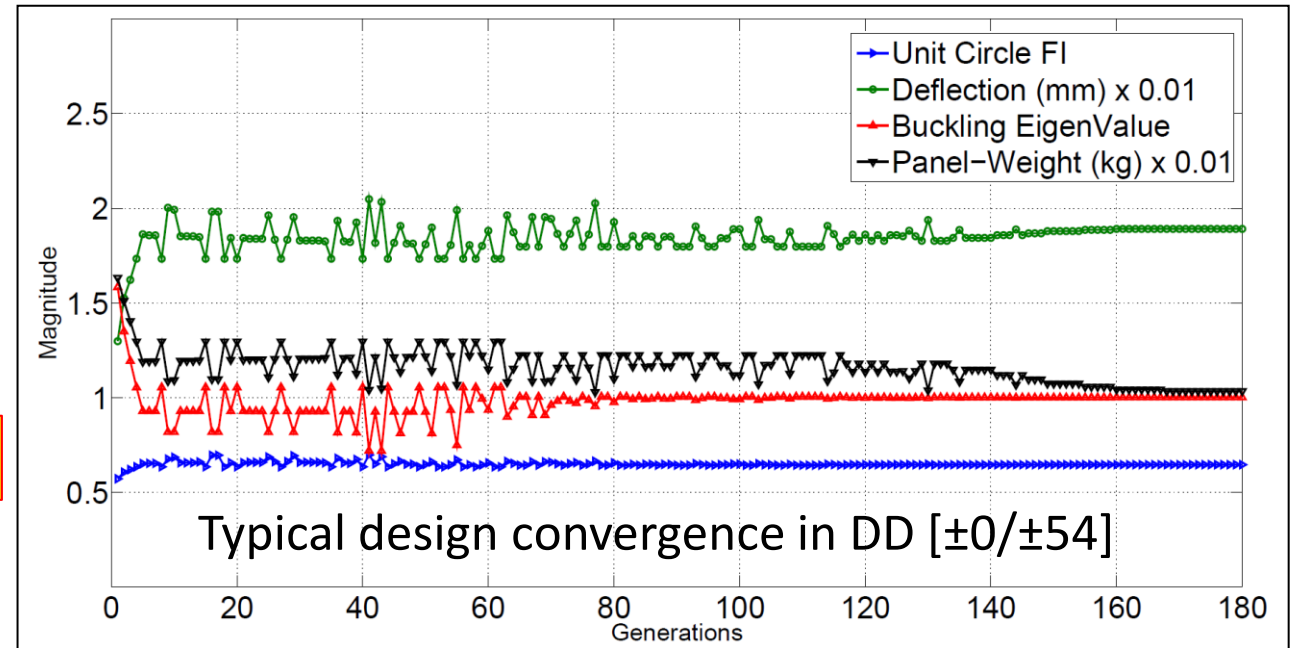
Double-double optimized wing box



Weight reduction of 30 percent with use of DD $[\pm 0/\pm 54]_T$ over an optimized quad in $[0/45/0/90/-45/0/90/45]_S$

Homogenized DD profile with highly tapered profile showed no adverse warping during curing at simulated elevated temperature – a very important asset of DD

One-axis layup is fast, less-prone to error and wrinkling, no internal resin pockets and fiber breaks; all leading to high quality and low cost manufacturing unique with DD



Otto Aviation Celera 500L

FLIGHT TEST COMPARISON

129 GALLONS ————— 27 GALLONS



Measure Up

A real world flight test of the chase plane, Piper 350 and our Celera 500L

	PIPER NAVAJO 350	CELERA 500L
Gallons consumed	129	27
Cabin volume	180 ft ³	448 ft ³
Max power	700 hp	500 hp
Flight duration	1:53 hour	1.53 hour

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zD1kFSvhq_k&feature=youtu.be

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Features

Laminar flow surfaces reduce drag

Turbo-diesel engine is fuel efficient with low Carbon emissions

High aspect ratio wing is very efficient

DD carbon fiber layup reduces weight

Performance

460 mph
5,600 mi range
20-25 mpg fuel efficiency
5x reduction in Carbon emissions

Double-double (DD) Key Benefits

DD leads to lighter parts

- **DD optimization is continuous** (quad is discrete)
- 4 plies minimum gage allows fine **thickness tuning**
- **Simple Ply drop** strategy

DD optimization by zone is achieved by **thickness variation with a unique DD, better than metal**

DD laminate is homogeneous : If sufficient repeat is achieved **and thus requiring no symmetry, not stacking dependent, and aggressive taper to save weight not possible with traditional quad**

Efficient manufacturing and easier repair

- Always the same simple 4-ply $[\pm\Phi/\pm\Psi]$ **with no challenge of blending with quad**
- DD can be tapered to reduce weight by additive lay up or subtractive **ply drop**
- $[\pm\Phi]$, $[\pm\Psi]$, and/or $[\Phi/-\Psi]$ can be prebuilt to speed up deposition rate using Non Crimp Fabrics C-Ply™ **with 1-axis layup that reduce time, error, and scrap**
- High compaction/wrinkle-free product made possible with no internal ply drops