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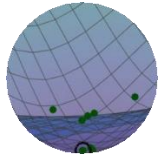
Meeting the Challenges of Design Optimization

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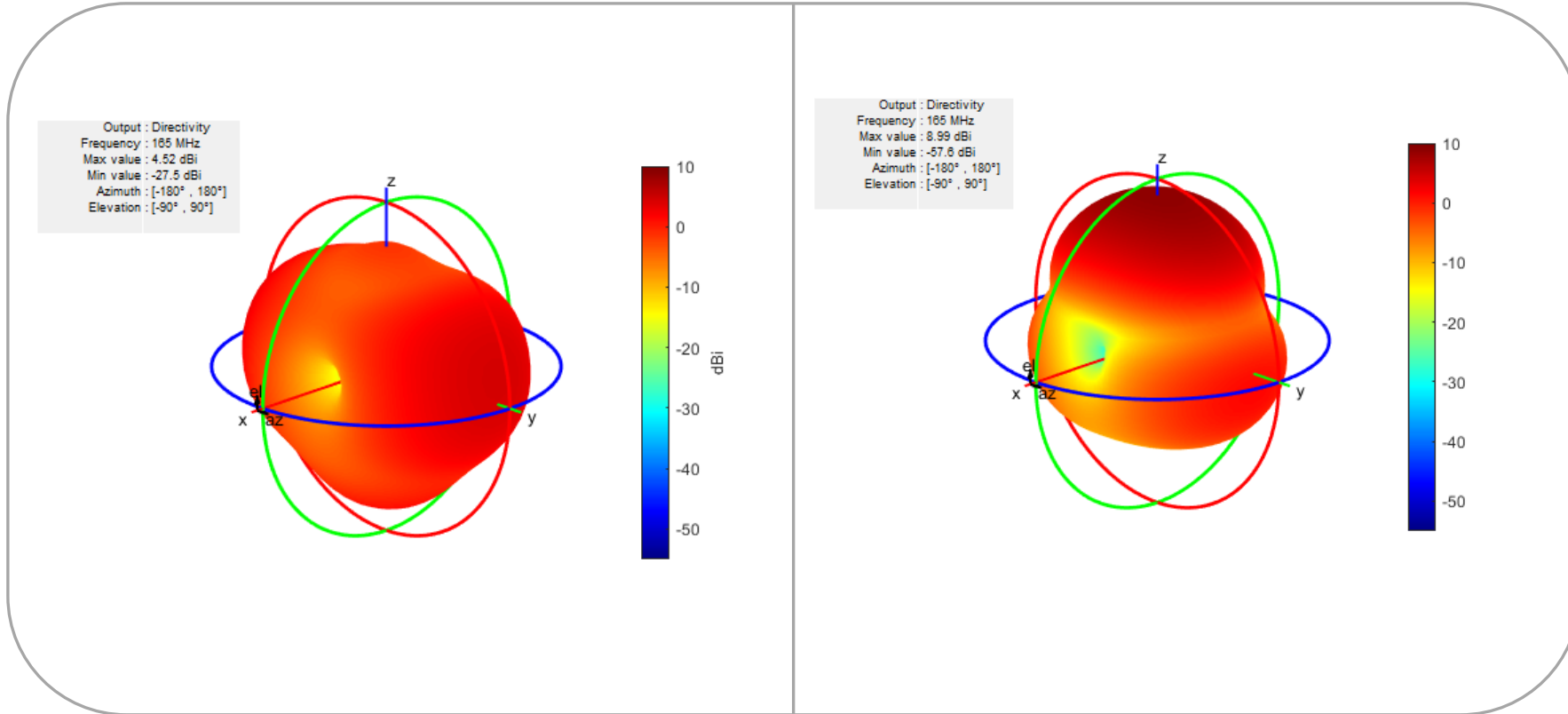


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How it started.

How it's going.

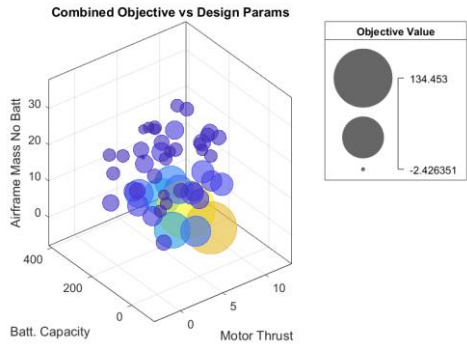
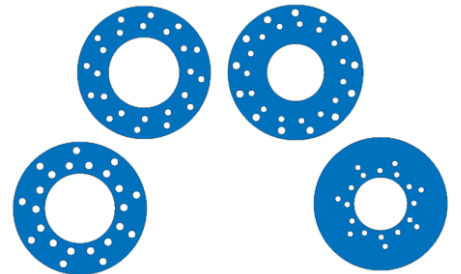


Optimization techniques improve and accelerate design



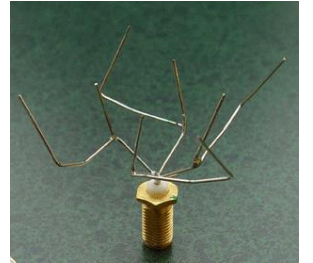
Find optimal designs while satisfying requirements

Reduce time of design iterations



Understand the design space and trade-offs

Find non-intuitive designs



Minimize cost of prototyping and production

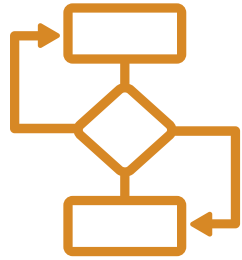
Automate routine decision-making



Design Optimization Workflow



Design Optimization Challenges



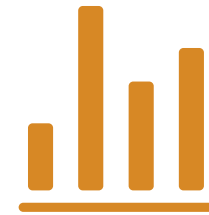
Difficult to set up

- *Formulate optimization*
- *Connect multiple models*
- *Conflicting goals*
- *Choose solver/options*



Time consuming

- *Design iterations take too long*
- *Can't take advantage of existing results*

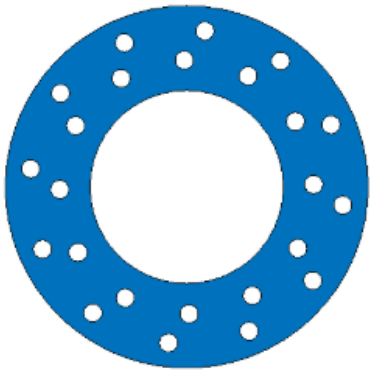


Difficult to analyze results

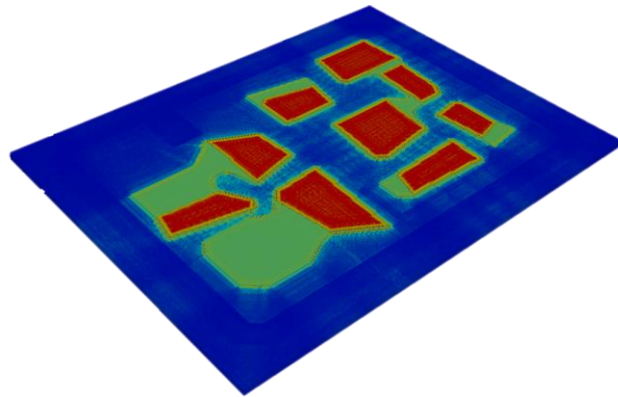
- *Understand solutions*
- *Understand trade-offs*
- *Collaborate with upstream/downstream teams*

We'll see some ways to meet design optimization challenges through these case studies

Disc Brake Design



5G RF Filter Design



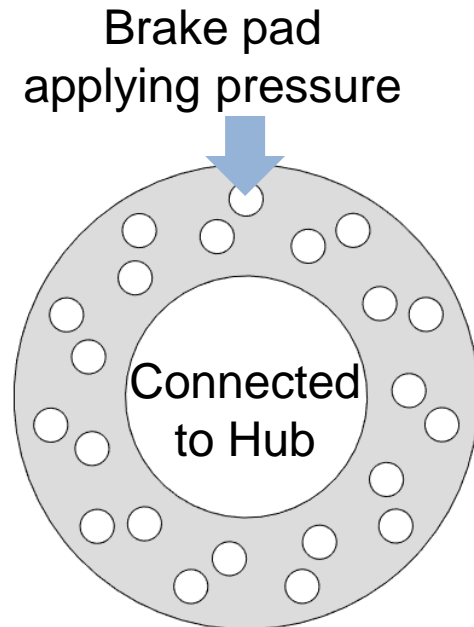
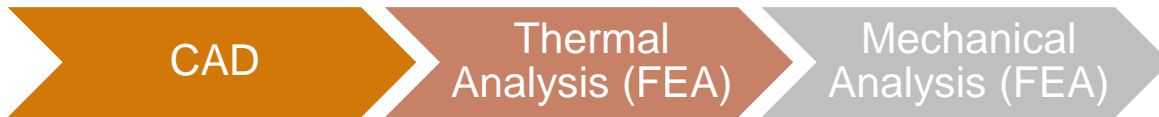
EV Gear Design



Quadcopter Design

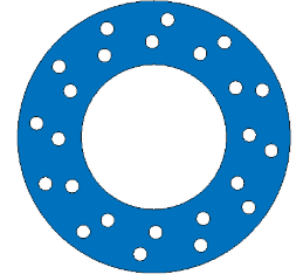


CAD and FEA can model a disc brake under Thermomechanical Stress



- **Goal:** A design with low manufacturing cost and that meets stress standards
- **Challenges:**
 - How to set up the optimization
 - Disc brake is modeled with external CAD software and with FEA
 - Model evaluation takes several minutes

Formulating an Optimization Problem: Disc Brake



Objective

What is my goal?

Variables

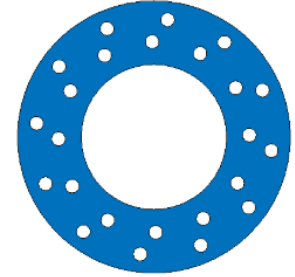
What are my choices?

Constraints

What restricts my choices?



Formulating an Optimization Problem: Disc Brake



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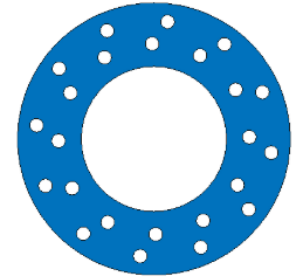
What are my choices?

disc diameter and thickness
number and diameter of holes
distance between holes

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Formulating an Optimization Problem: Disc Brake



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minimize volume

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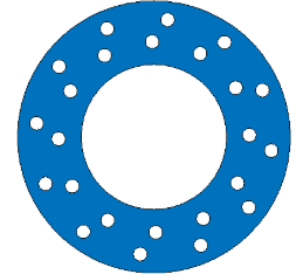
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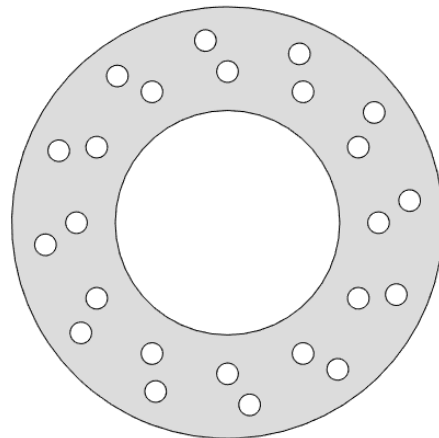
What restricts my choices?
stress limit
geometry parameter limits



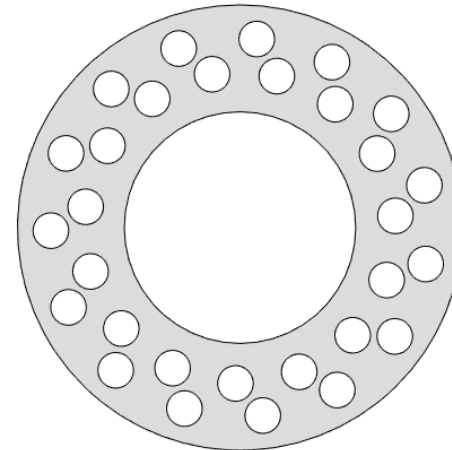
Surrogate Optimization finds an improved design

	Initial	Surrogate Optimization*
Volume (m ³)	4.75e-4	1.34e-4
Stress Ratio	0.19	0.49

*250 function evaluations



Initial

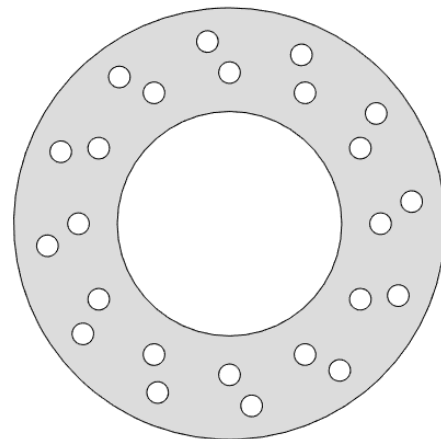


Surrogate
Optimization

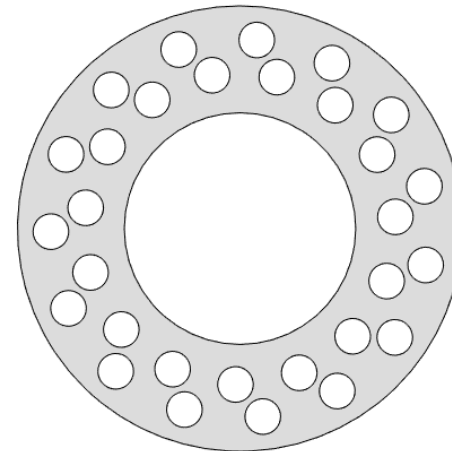
Surrogate Optimization finds a better design than the Genetic Algorithm when restricting the number of function evaluations

	Initial	Surrogate Optimization*	Genetic Algorithm*
Volume (m ³)	4.75e-4	1.34e-4	1.64e-4
Stress Ratio	0.19	0.49	0.92

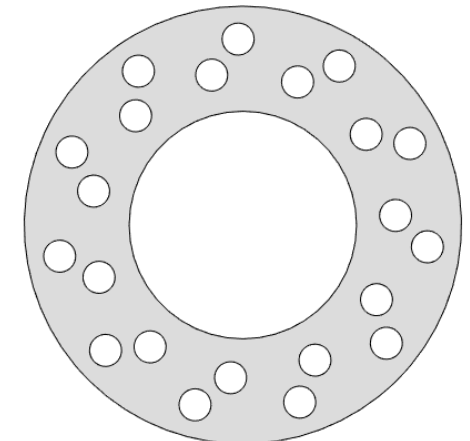
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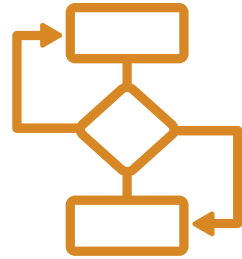
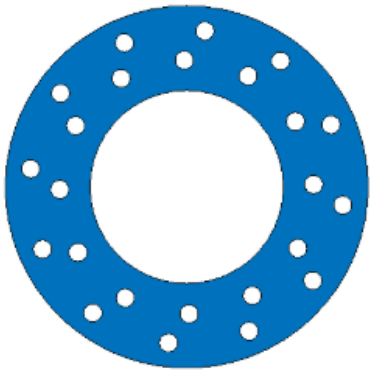
Surrogate
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Genetic Algorithm

How we met the design optimization challenges

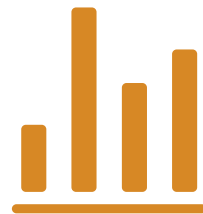
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- *File-based I/O & “system” command to connect multiple models*
- *Optimize task for formulating problem and guidance on solver*



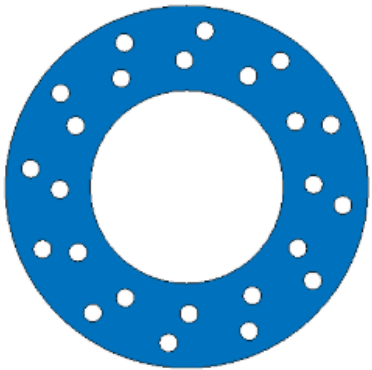
- *Surrogate optimization*
- *Use existing results to start optimization*
- *Checkpoint for restarting optimization*
- *Accelerate with parallel computing*



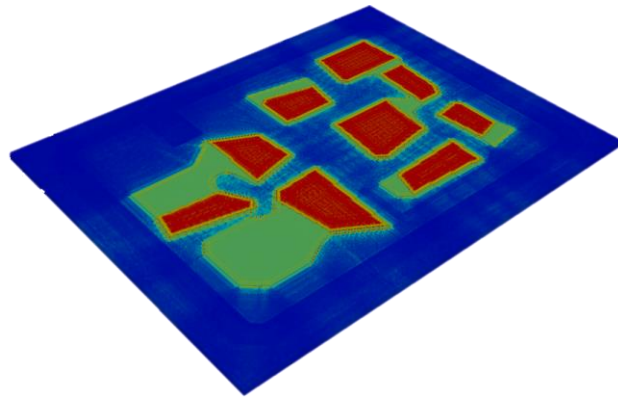
- *Progress plots*
- *Visualization of the temperature, stress, and design*

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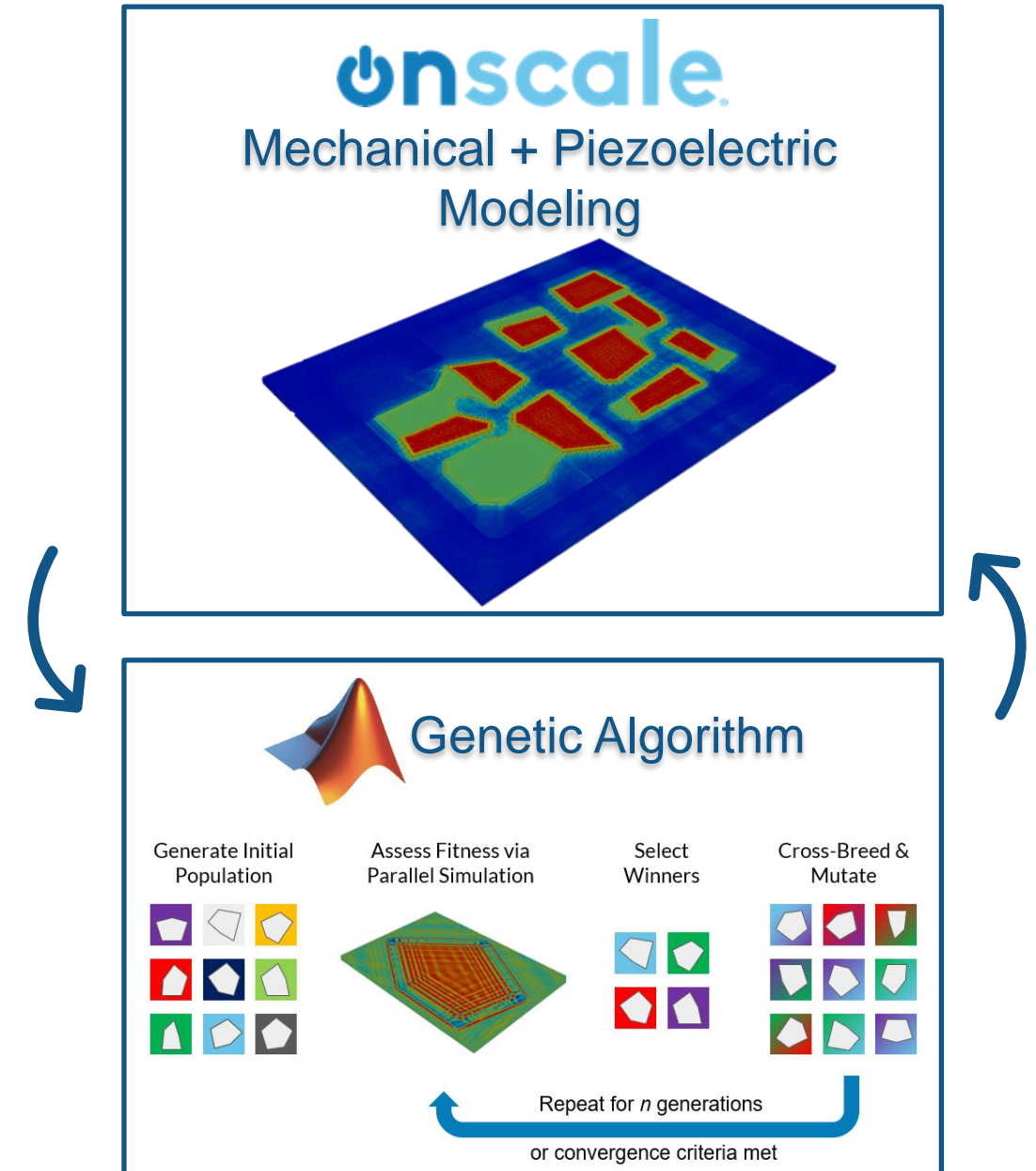
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5G RF MEMS Filter Design

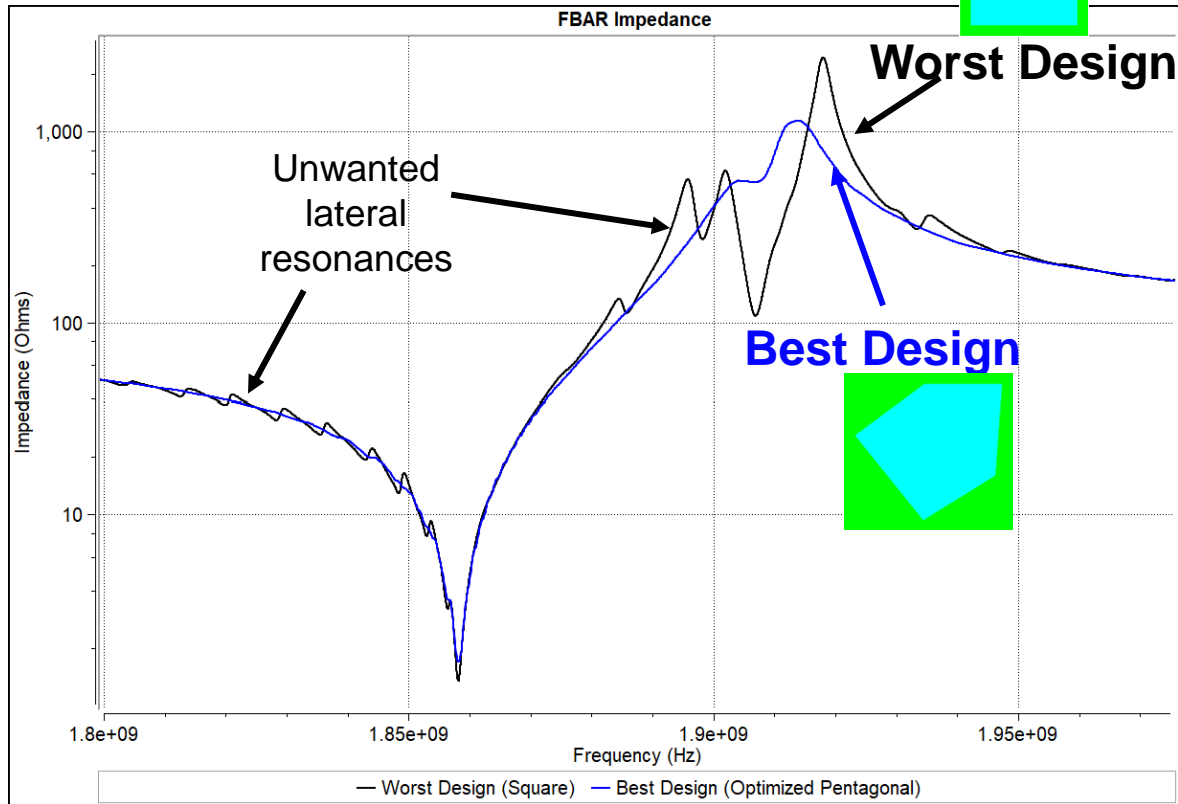
Partner: OnScale

- **Goal:** Find optimal electrode alignment of FBAR resonator by minimizing spurious modes
- **Challenges:** Full 3D simulation and exploring design space are time consuming
 - Population of 70, 52 Generations, 3,640 Simulations, >3,000 Core Hours



5G RF MEMS Filter Design

Partner: OnScale



>3000 core hours required <48 Hour on 64-Core Cloud HPC



```
% Configure GA object
myGA = GAOnScale("RF_GA", "GA of Pentagonal FBAR");

% Create account object
myGA.Account = Account("MyAccount");

% Assign input files to genetic algorithm
myGA.setGAFiles(["fbar.flxinp", "baw.prjmat"]);

% Set termination constraints
myGA.setGATerminate(5, 10, 28, Inf);

% Set input variables and limits
myGA.setGAVariables(["a", "b", "c", "d", "e", "f", "g"], ...
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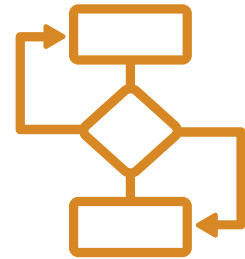
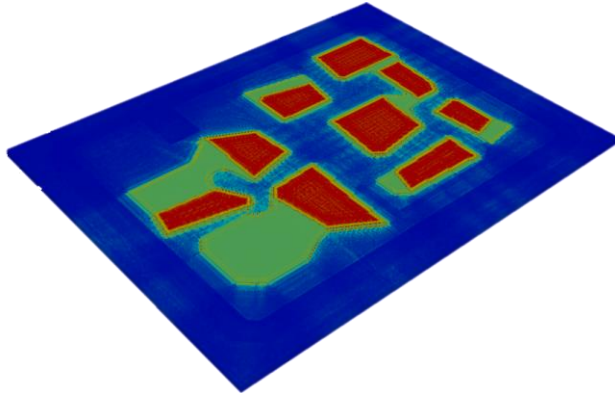
% Set score function
myGA.setScoreFunction(@scoreFun);

% Run GA
myGA.startOrContinue();
```

*Easy set up from MATLAB Toolbox by
OnScale or OnScale API*

How we met the design optimization challenges

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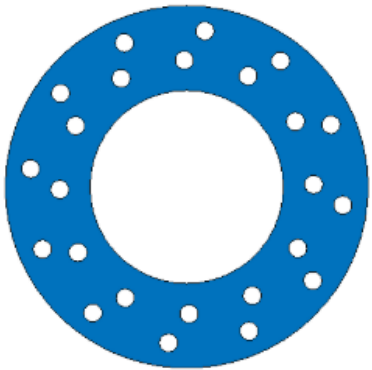
- *Genetic algorithm is easy to use*
- *MATLAB enables integration with external platforms*



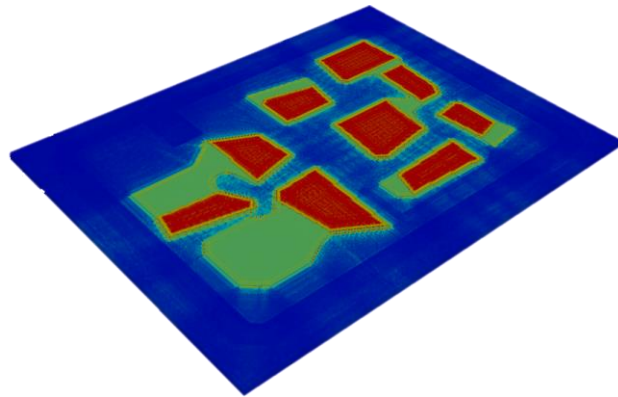
- *Cloud-based, high-performance computing through OnScale (MathWorks Partner)*

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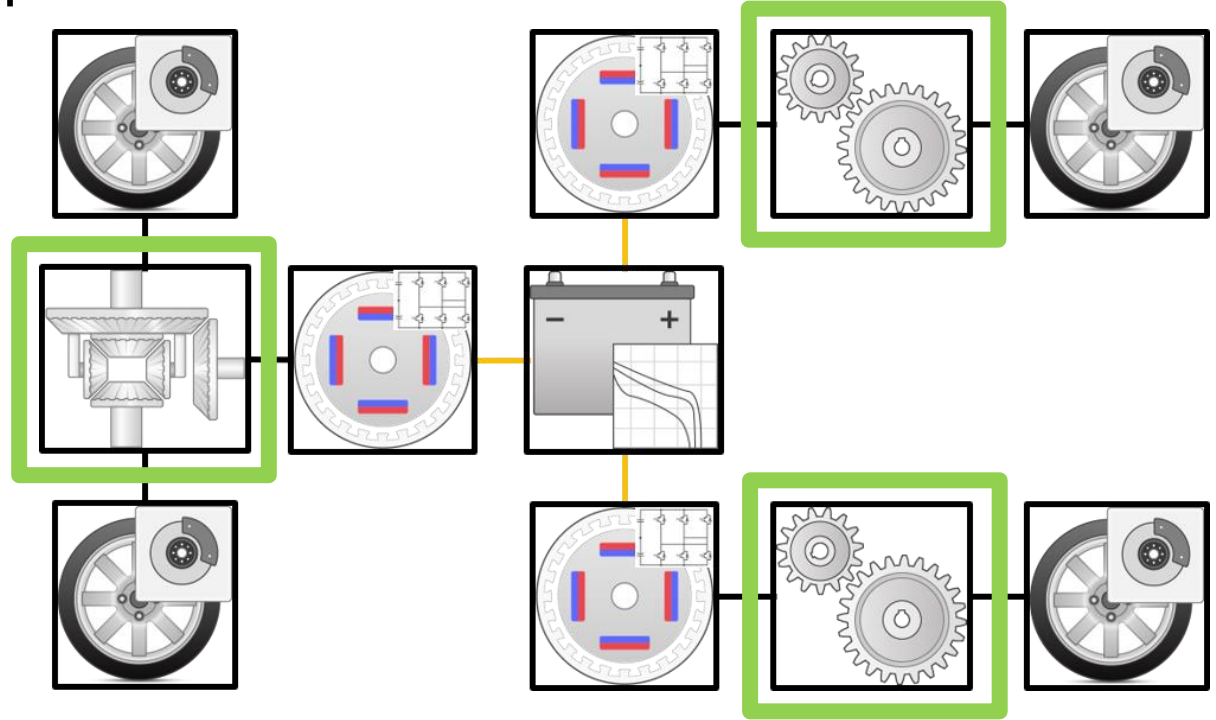


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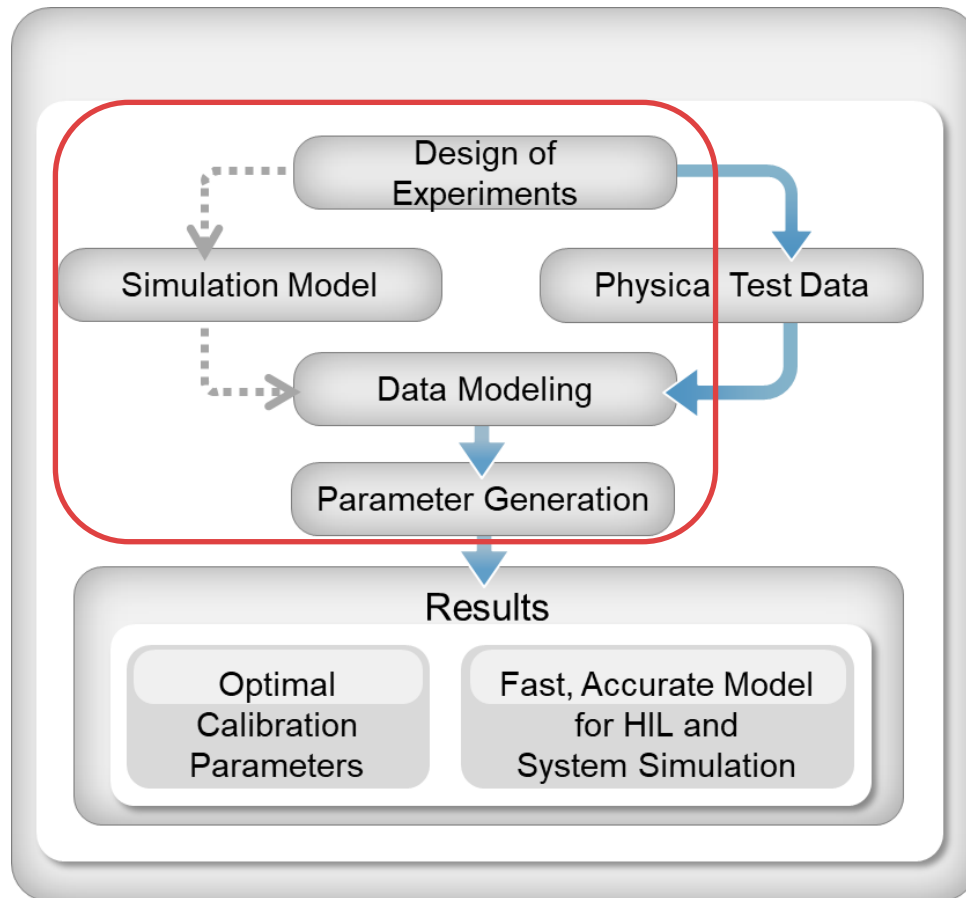


Electrified Powertrain Gear Ratio Case Study

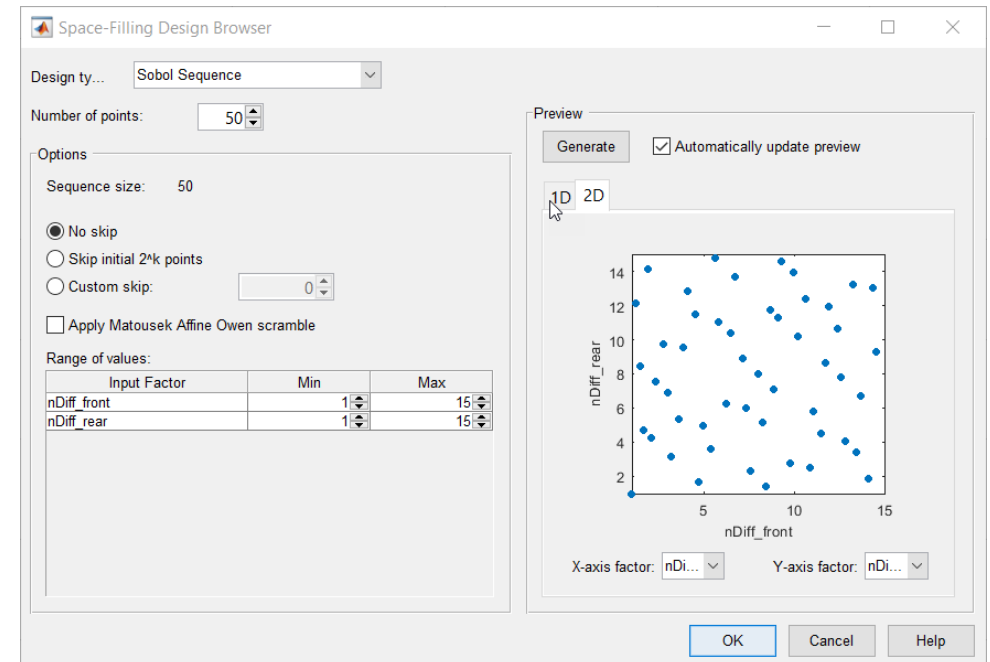
- **Goal:** Determine gear ratios of a 3-motor EV to optimize competing objectives:
 - Fuel economy
 - Acceleration
- **Challenges:**
 - Fuel economy and acceleration are competing objectives
 - The simulation takes 18 minutes to run



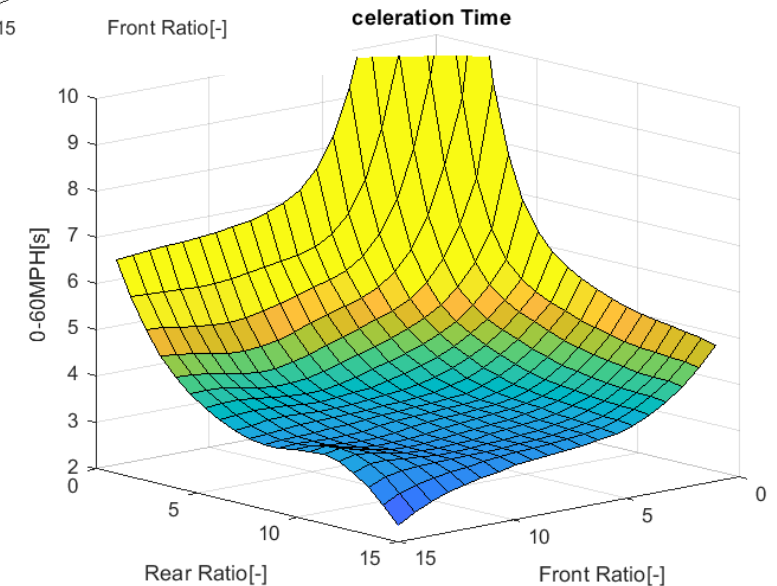
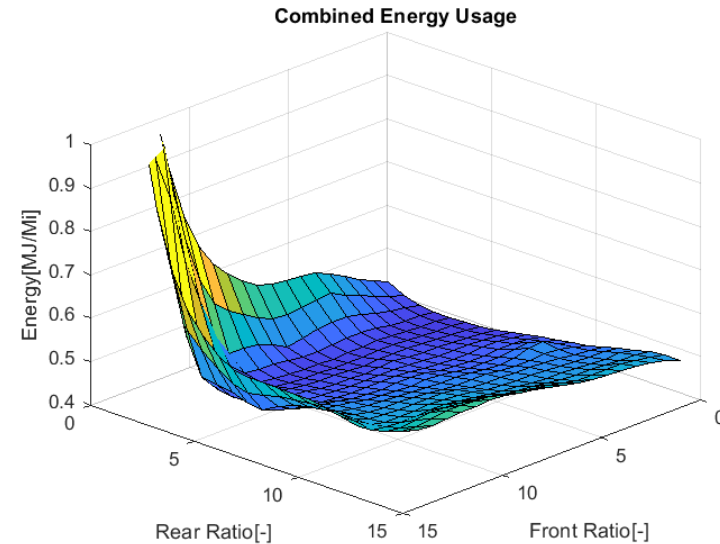
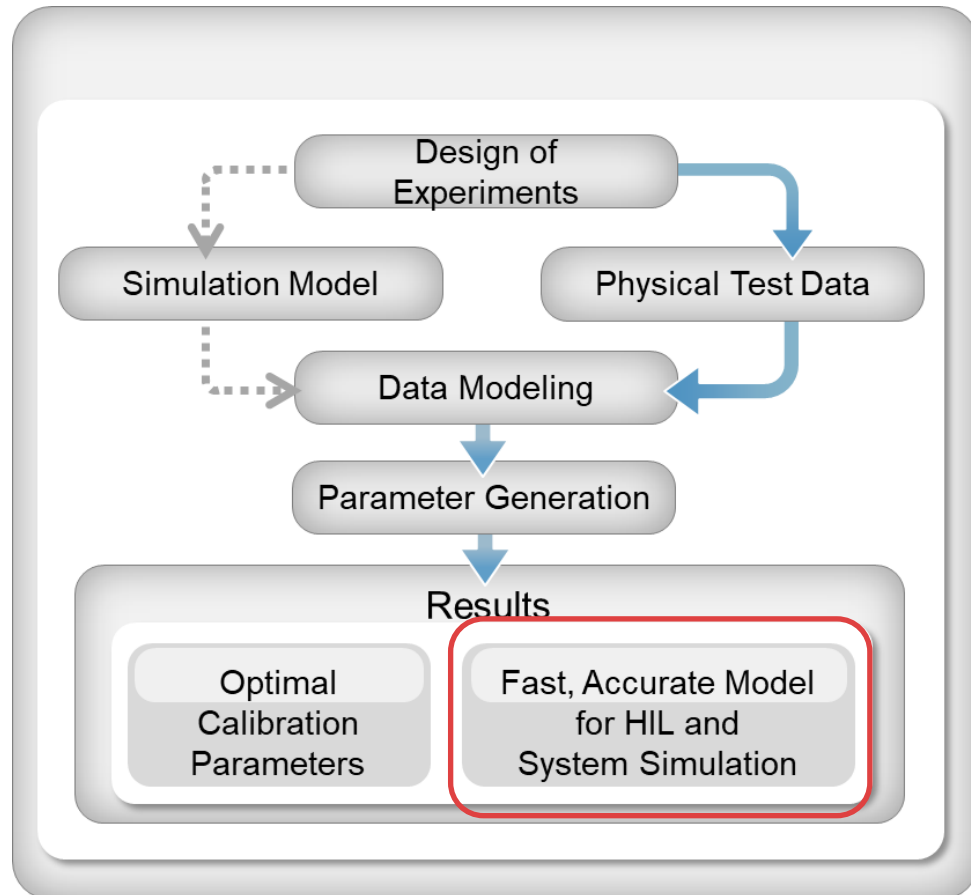
Build surrogate models with Model-Based Calibration Toolbox for fast model evaluations



- Generate Design of Experiments
- Evaluate Powertrain Blockset model for fuel economy and acceleration
- Fit response model

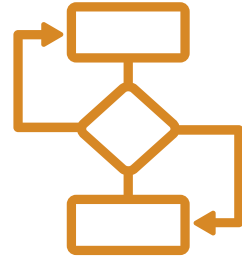


Create look-up tables from the response models using Model-Based Calibration Toolbox



How we met the design optimization challenges

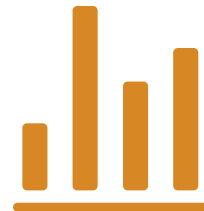
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- *Multiobjective formulation for the competing objectives*



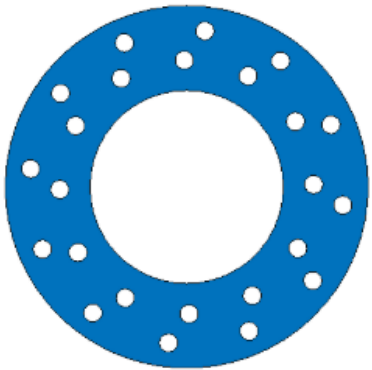
- *Parallel computing to build response surface model*
- *Look-up table for fast evaluations*
- *Pareto search solver for efficient solution*



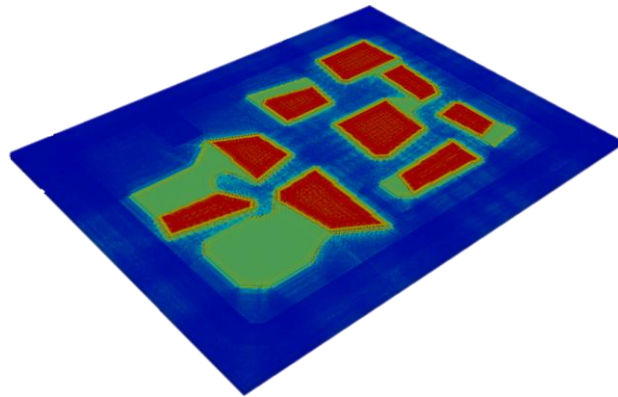
- *Pareto curves to explore tradeoffs*

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Use Design of Experiments and Optimization to understand trade-offs in the conceptual design stage

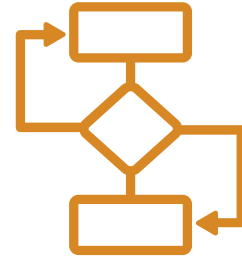
- **Goal:** Choose components to
 - Maximize endurance and power-to-weight ratio
 - Minimize cost
- **Challenges:**
 - Competing objectives
 - Work with architecture in System Composer
 - No model to use for analysis
 - Need to understand tradeoffs of objectives and requirements

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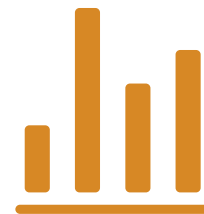
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- *Problem-based formulation*
- *Multi-Disciplinary Analysis and Optimization*
- *Design of Experiments*



- *Quick analysis before going to detailed models*



- *Create Plot task for visualizations*
- *Trade-off studies at system-level*
- *Integrate with System Composer*

Tools for Design Optimization



Generic design optimization

MATLAB

Statistics & Machine Learning Toolbox

Optimization Toolbox

Global Optimization Toolbox

Parallel Computing Toolbox

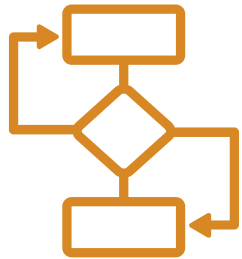
Domain-specific design optimization

Simulink Design Optimization

Model-Based Calibration Toolbox

Antenna Toolbox

Answers for the Challenges of Design Optimization



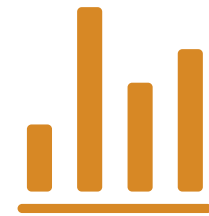
Difficult to set up

- *MATLAB workflow integration*
- *Optimize task*
- *Problem-based optimization*
- *Multiobjective solvers*



Time consuming

- *surrogateopt & paretosearch*
- *Starting with existing solutions*
- *Surrogate models*
- *Parallel computing*



Difficult to analyze results

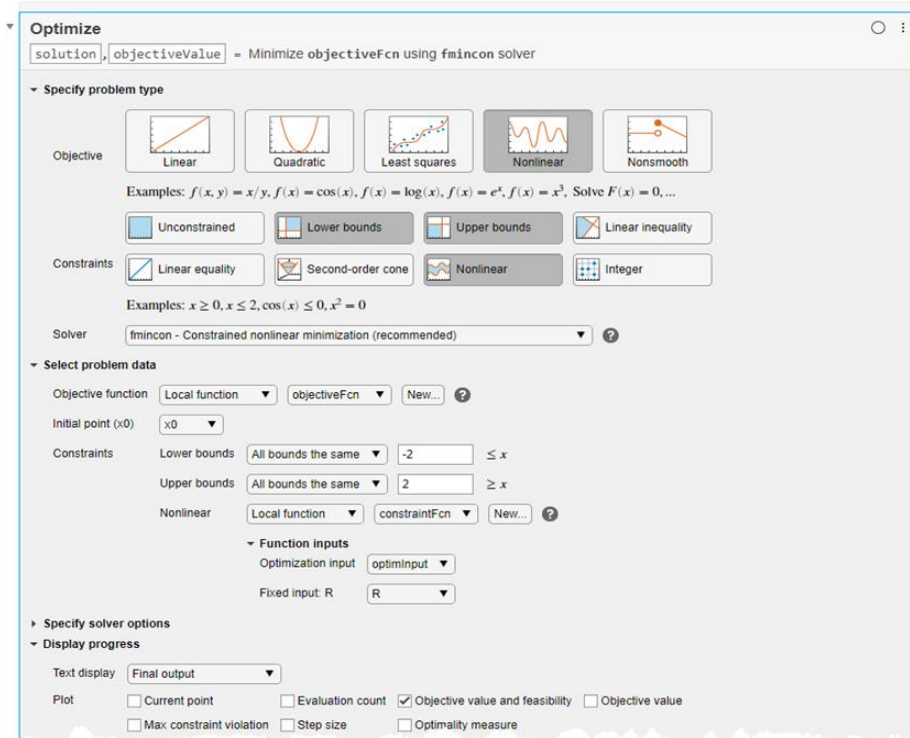
- *Create Plot task*
- *Many plot types*
- *Pareto plots*
- *Progress plots*

Do More

Try the Optimize task

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Try problem-based optimization



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Last hour of Expo Day 2

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Antenna Design	Circuit Component Selection

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