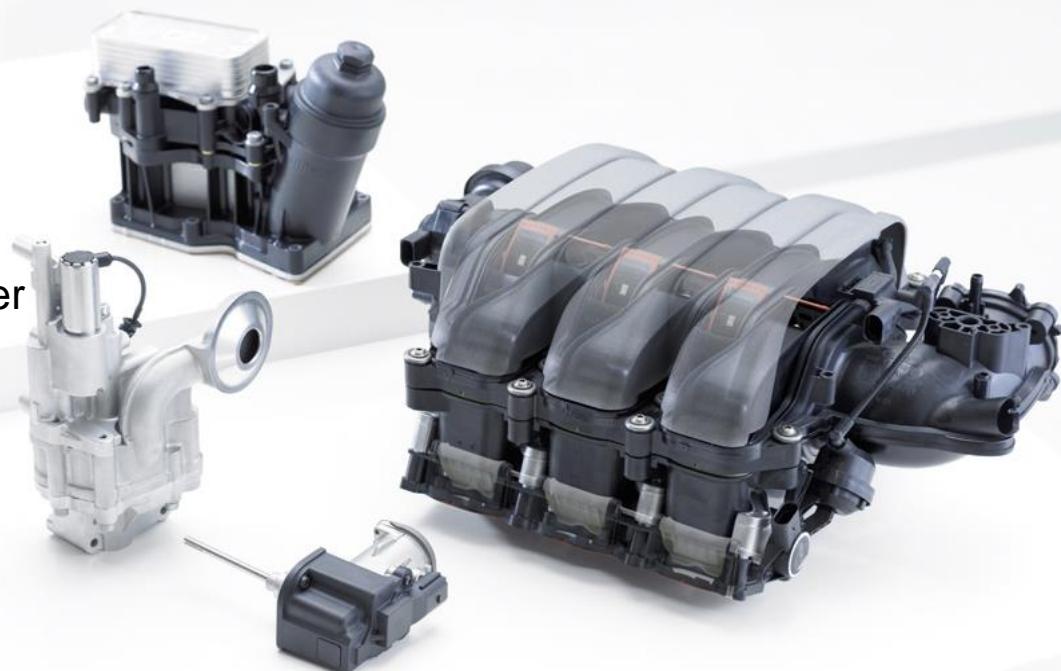


## PERMAS User Conference 2018

### The PERMAS-DIGIMAT interface – Accurate structural analysis of reinforced plastic components

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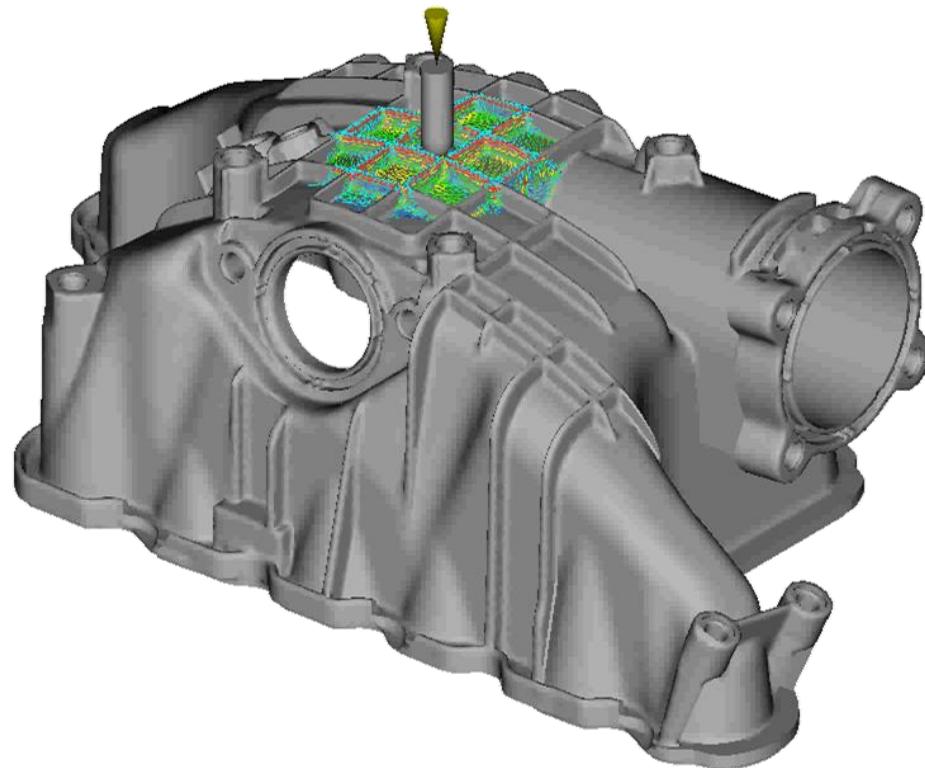
## Introduction fiber reinforced plastics

Advantage of FRP components:

- Very high design flexibility
- Allow realization of lightweight parts with integrated functions

Within the development it is mandatory to perform injection molding simulations:

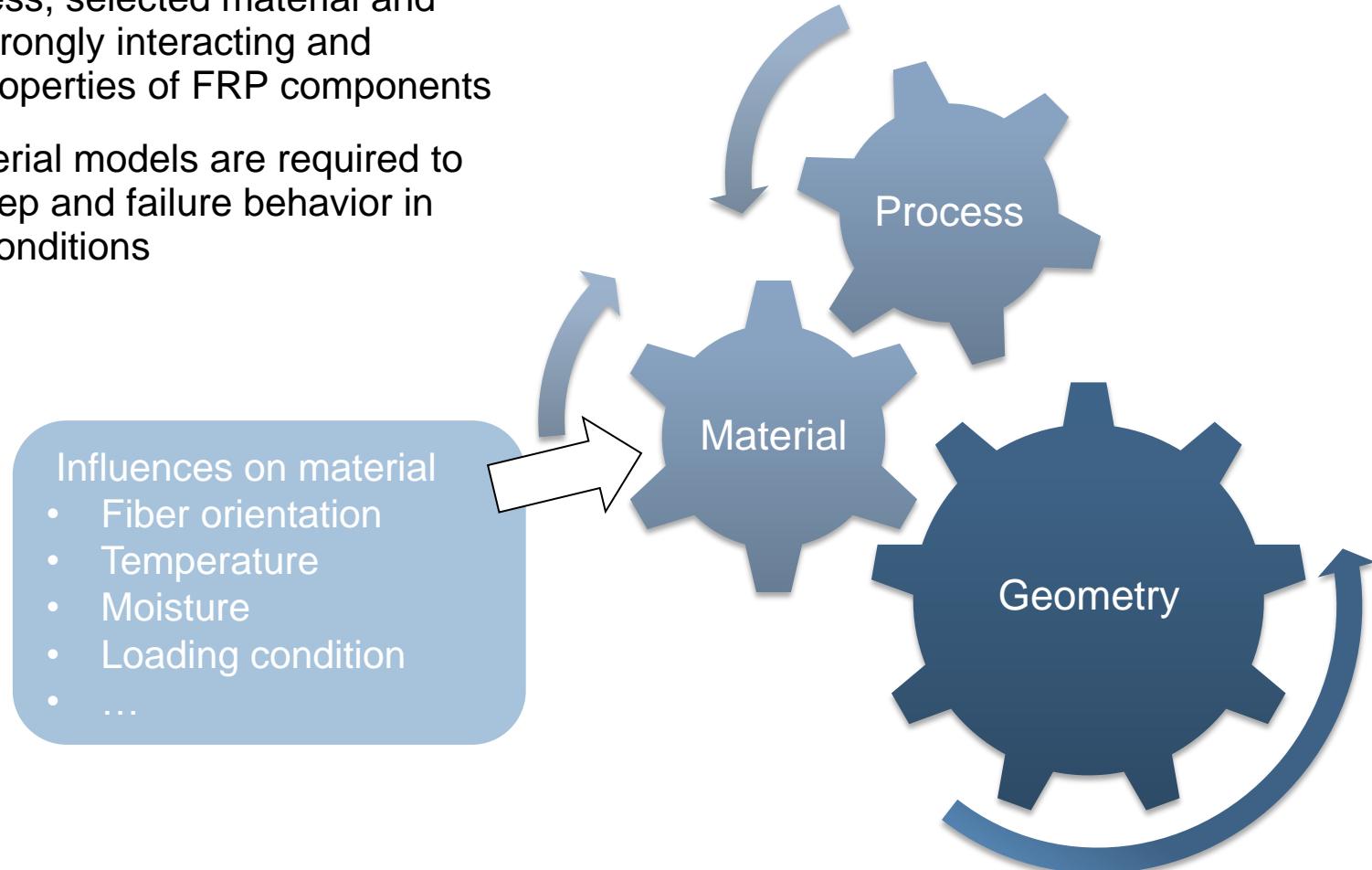
- Define molding parameters and ensure required machine size
- Optimize filling behavior
- Optimize position of joint lines
- Optimize final warpage
- Optional:  
Modification of tool geometry to further reduce warpage



Process simulation:  
Glass fiber orientation during injection molding

## Introduction fiber reinforced plastics

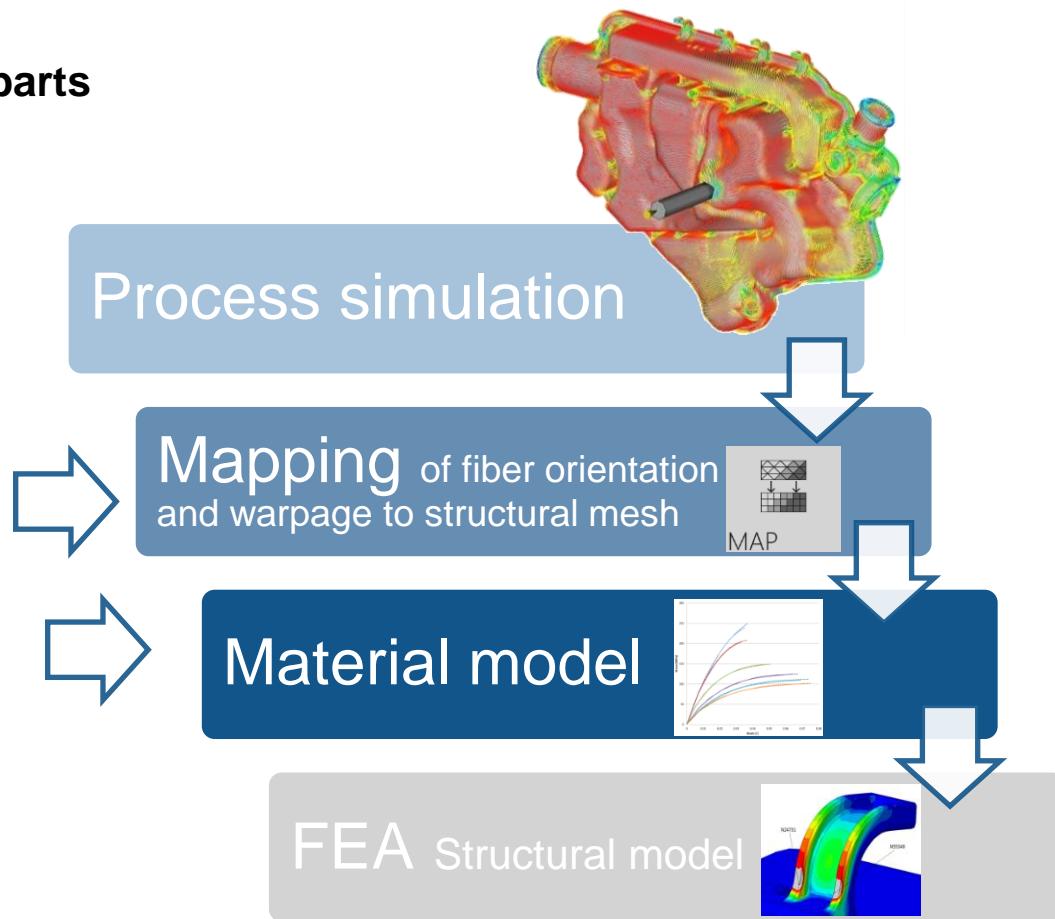
- Manufacturing process, selected material and part geometry are strongly interacting and influence the final properties of FRP components
- Highly complex material models are required to predict stiffness, creep and failure behavior in different operation conditions



Isotropic Property	How determined
Young's modulus	Use initial gradient of stress-strain curve from CAMPUS and subtract x% due to unknown GF orientation or correlate Young's modulus by panel frequencies of real parts
Thermal expansion	Mean value of the two expansion coefficients along fiber and across fiber direction
Material damping	Fixed or frequency depending value according to experience
Non-linear material behavior and creep	According to availability of data from material suppliers, CAMPUS data are usually not sufficient, isotropic properties not useful
Fatigue and crash	Hard to determine, isotropic properties not useful

- Standard approach based on averaged and isotropic material properties is not accurate enough to virtually predict absolute results
- **Integrative simulation required**

### Workflow for injection molded parts



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# e-Xstream engineering



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+ 20 TBH in 2018



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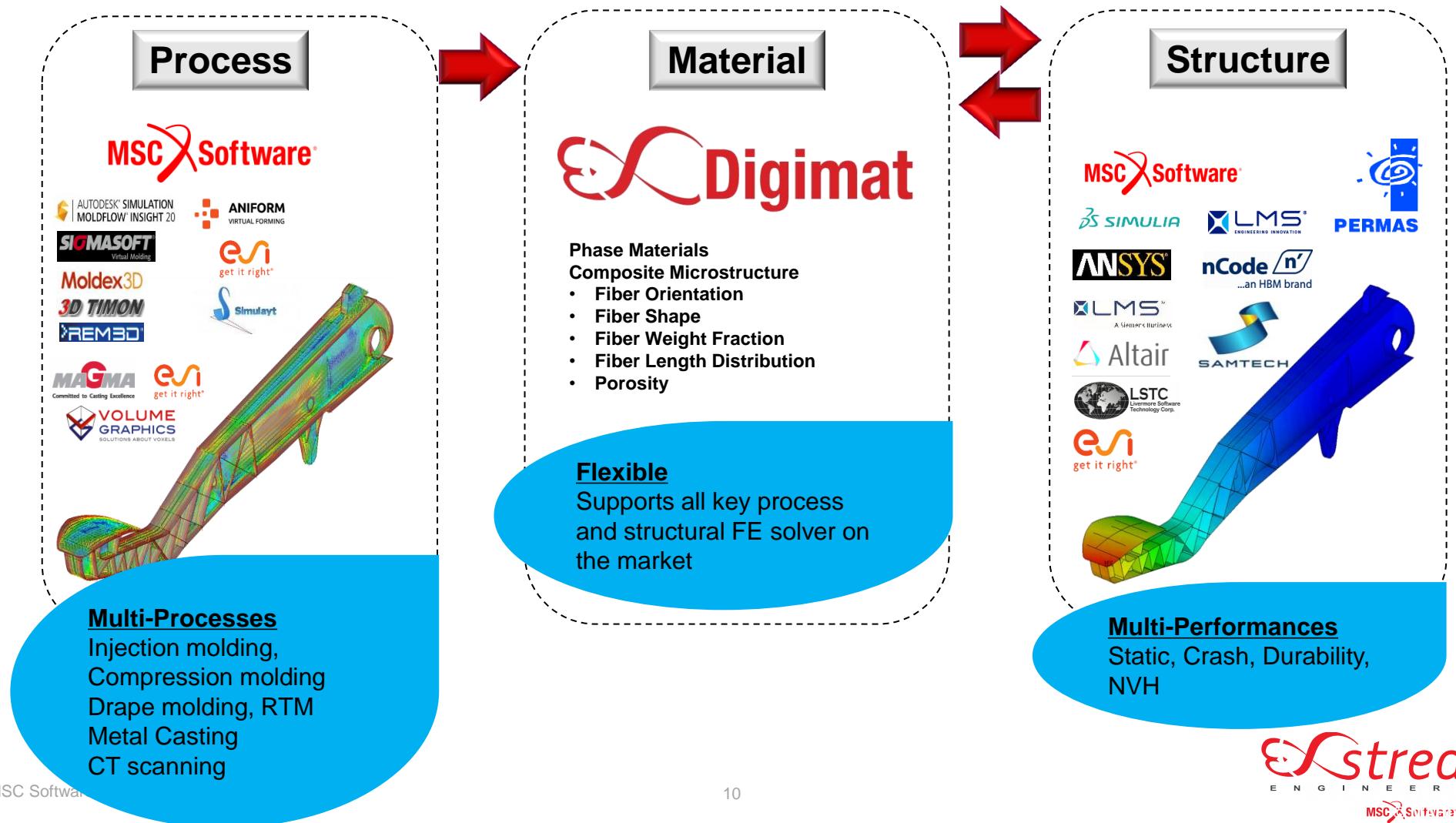


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# DIGIMAT Technology

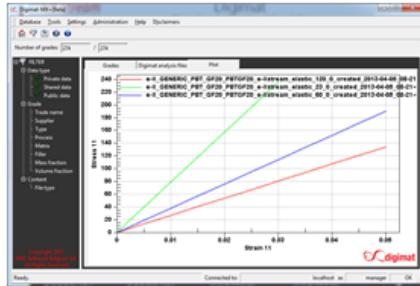
Bridging the gap between the manufacturing process and the structural finite element analysis

- Digimat offers interfaces to all key FE solvers (process & structure)

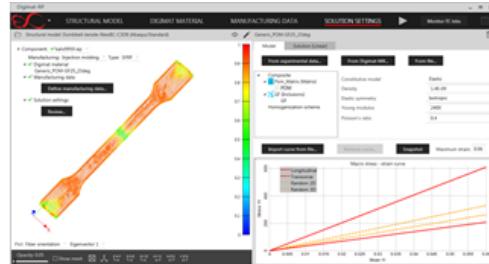


# Linear solution background

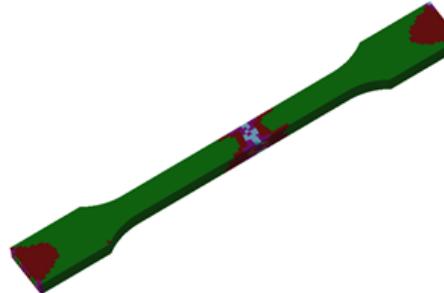
## Entry level Digimat solution for SFRP structural analysis



MF  
MX



RP GUI  
MAP  
CAE/Structural  
CAE/Linear



FEA

Material engineering

As-manufactured  
structural analysis  
prepro

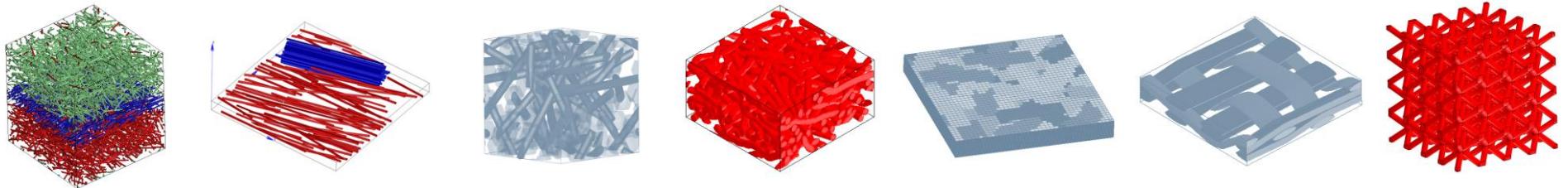
FEA run

- **Methodology**

- Digimat-RP writes native FEA orthotropic material cards corresponding to the local fiber orientation tensor family
- Limitation: linear (thermo-)elasticity and single component only

# Technology integration in Digimat-RP solution

## New: As of 2018.0



SFRP / injection molding	LFRP / injection molding	SFRP / MicroCellular	SMC / Compression molding	DFC / Compression molding	CFRP / Draping, RTM, AFP	Unfilled & reinforced polymer / AM
<div>Fiber orientation</div> <div>Weldlines</div> <div>Residual stresses</div>	<div>Fiber orientation</div> <div>Fiber volume fraction</div> <div>Fiber length</div> <div>Weldlines</div>	<div>Fiber orientation</div>	<div>Fiber orientation</div> <div>Fiber volume fraction</div> <div>Weldlines</div> <div>Fiber waviness</div>	<div>Chip orientation</div> <div>Chip volume fraction</div> <div>Chip waviness</div>	<div>Fiber orientation</div> <div>Porosity</div>	<div>Toolpath</div> <div>Residual stresses</div>



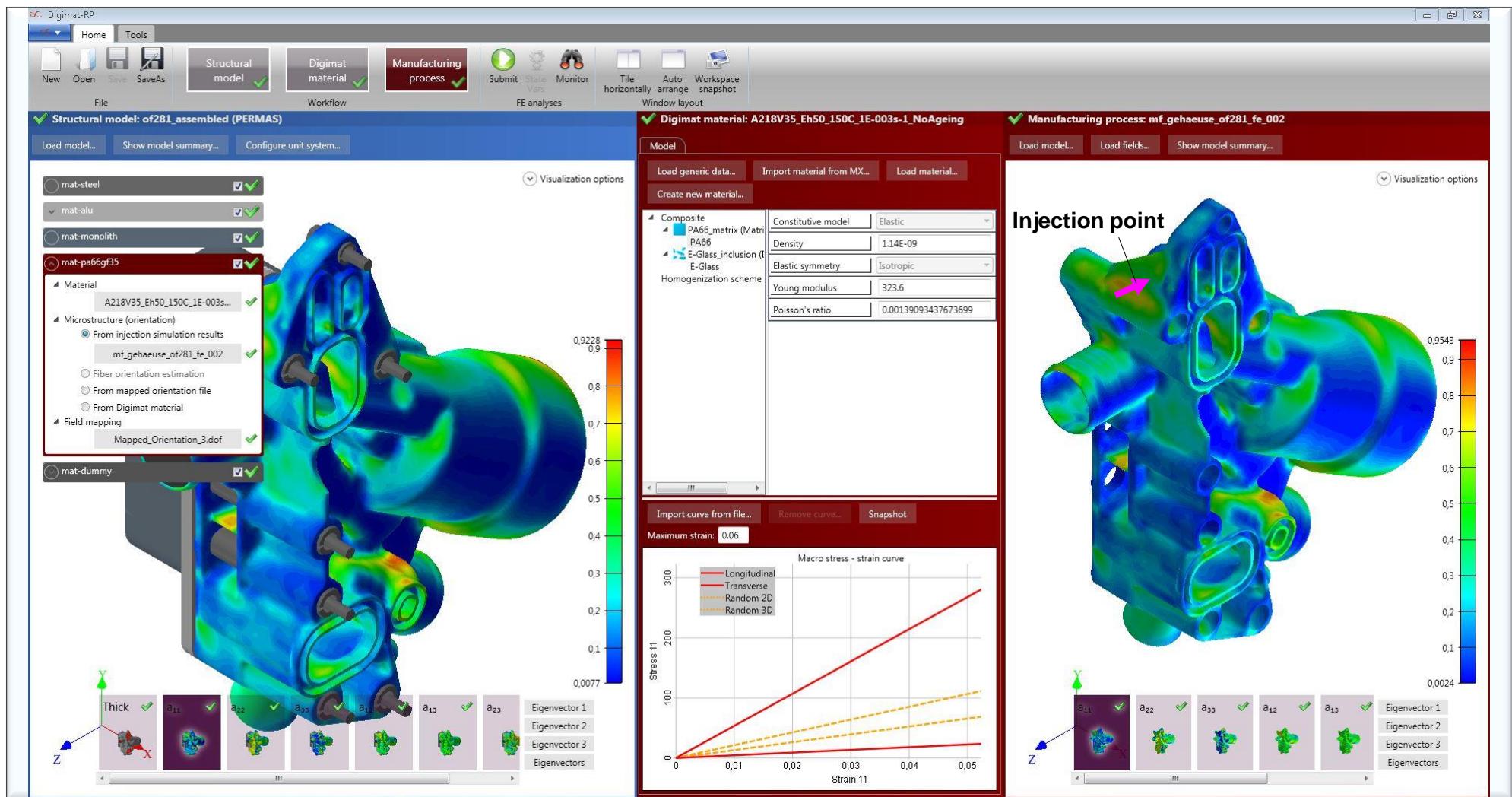
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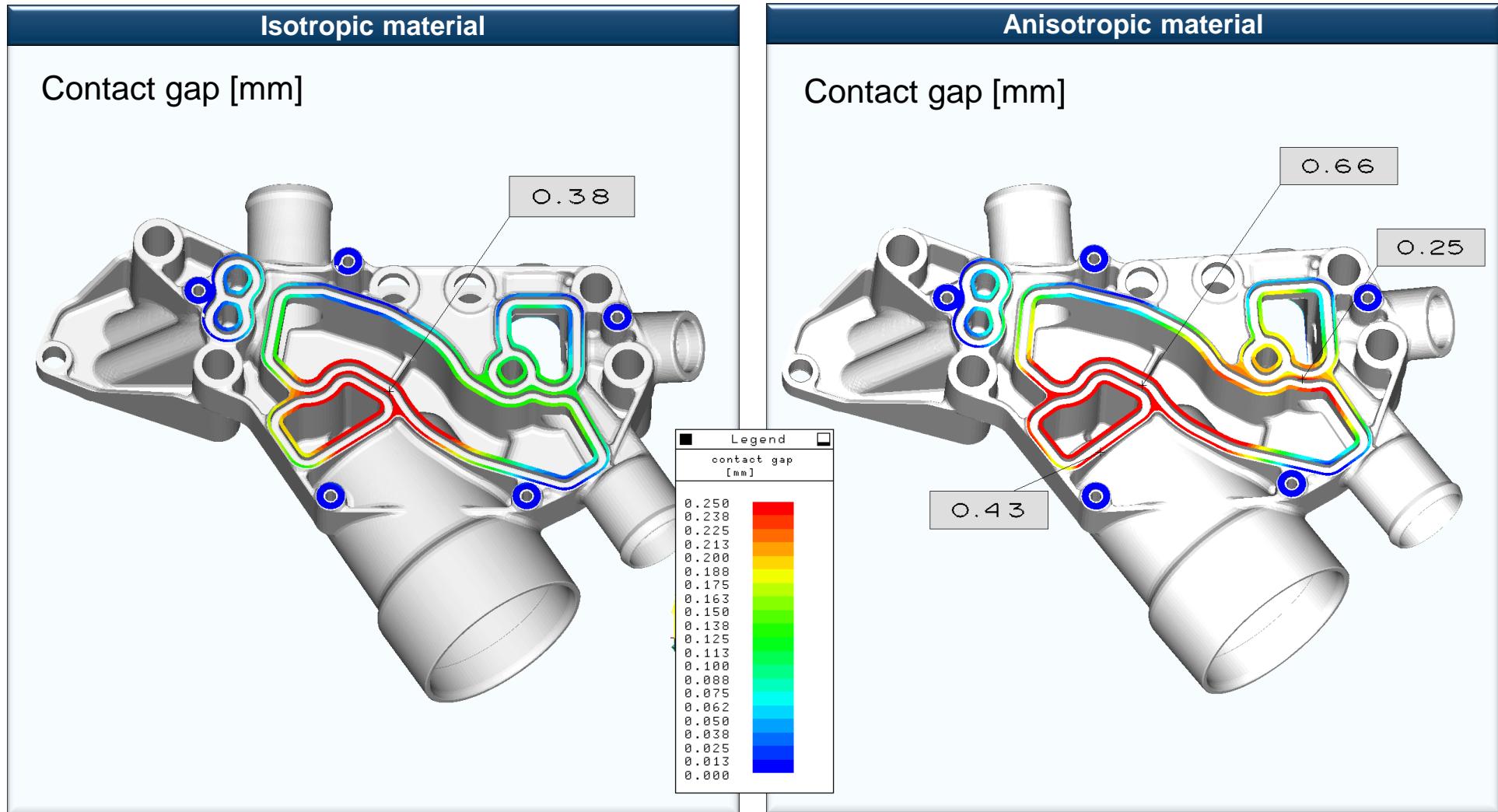
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## Example 1: Oil Filter Module Digimat User Interface Screenshot

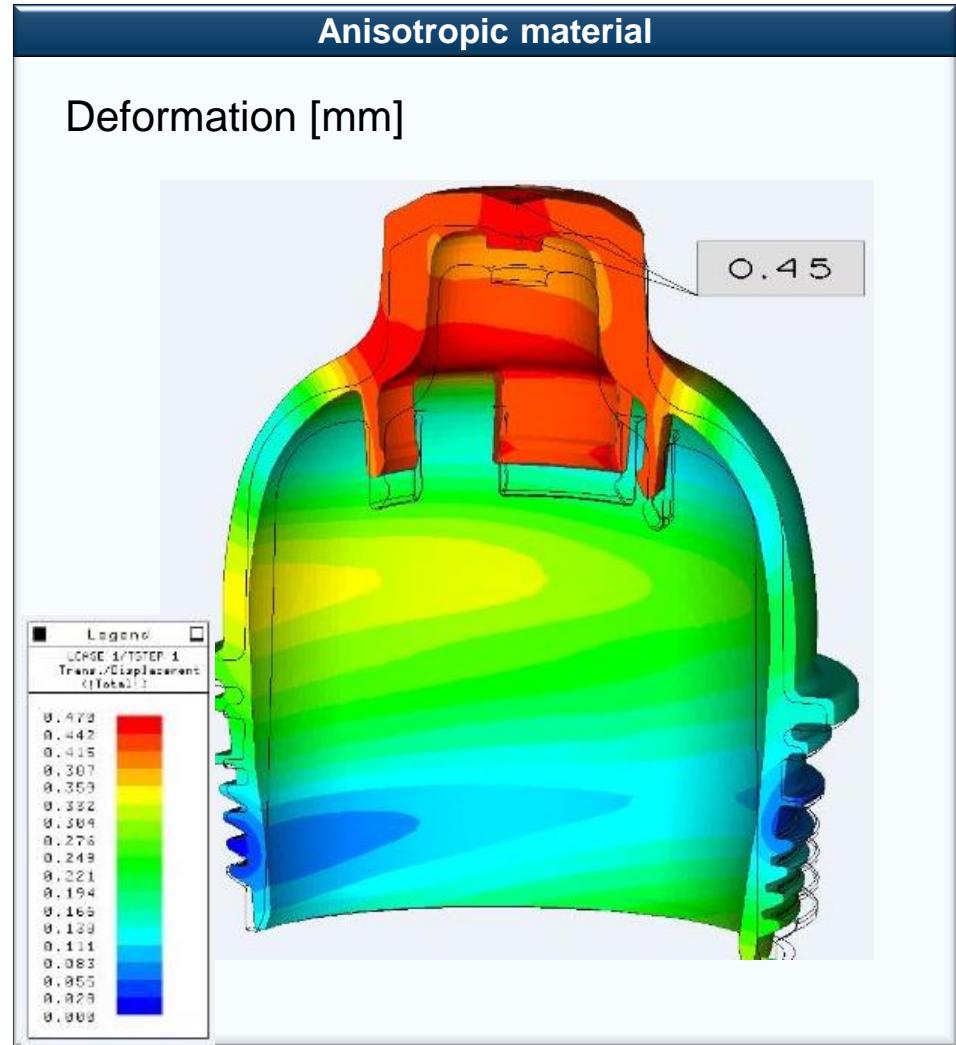
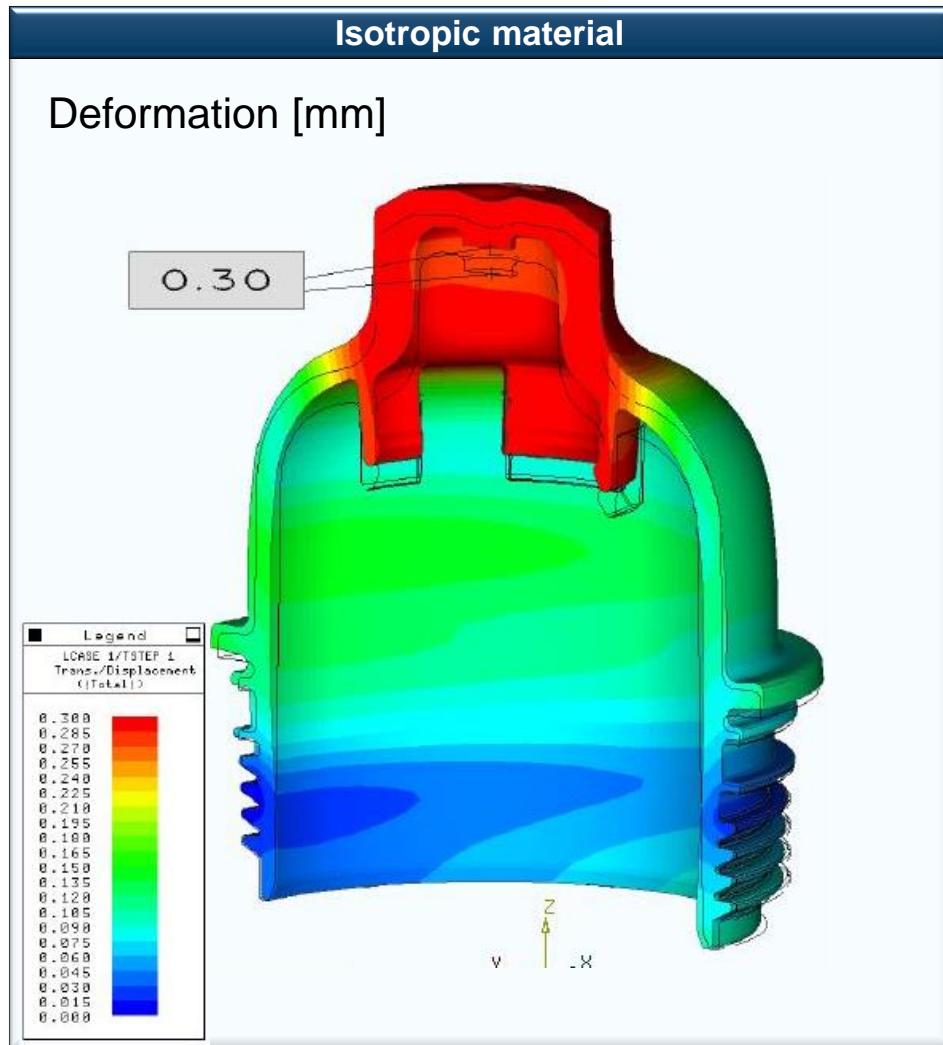
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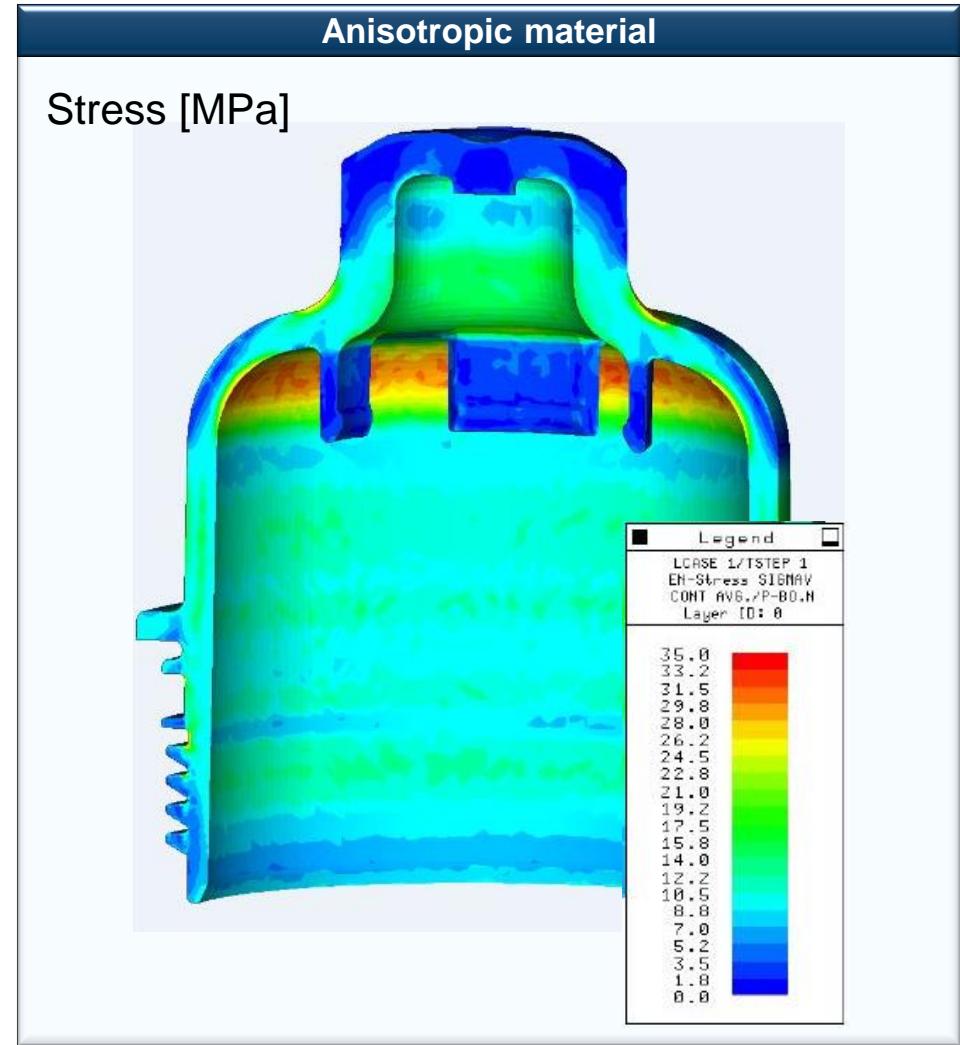
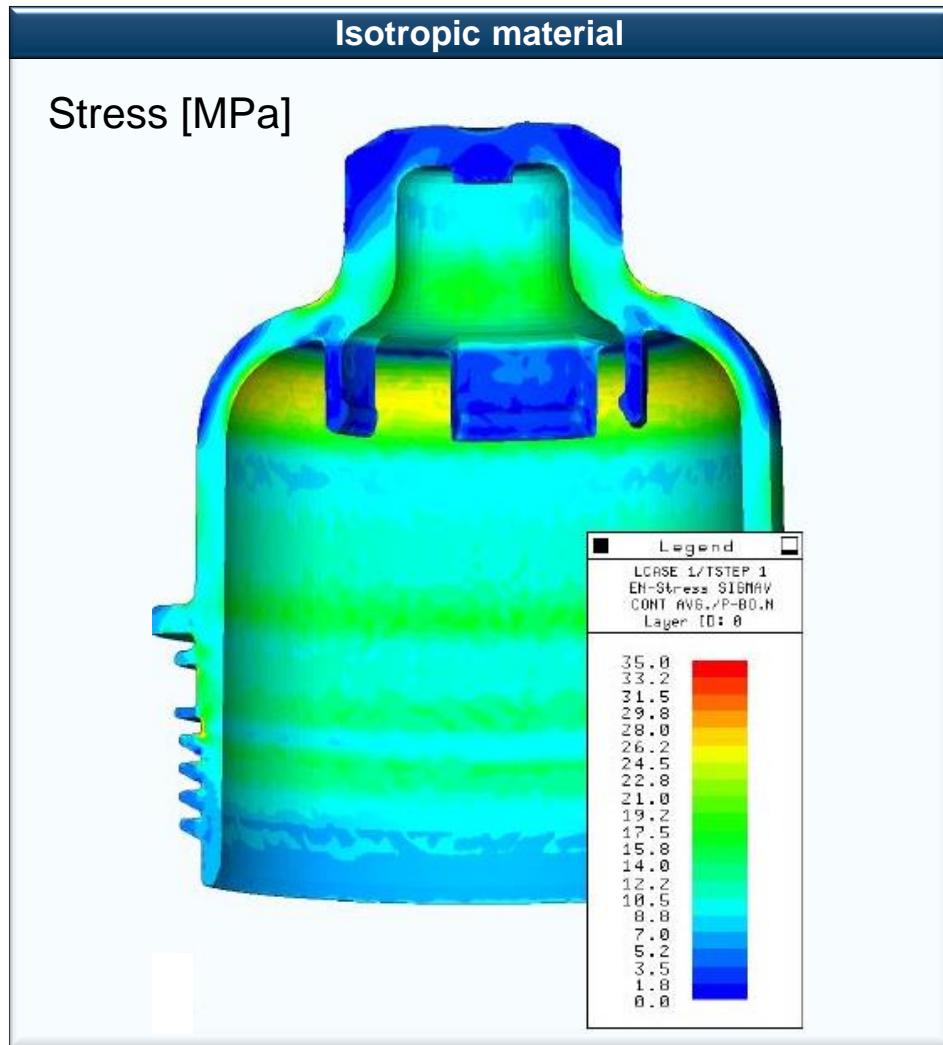
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## Example 2: Pressurized Oil Filter Cap



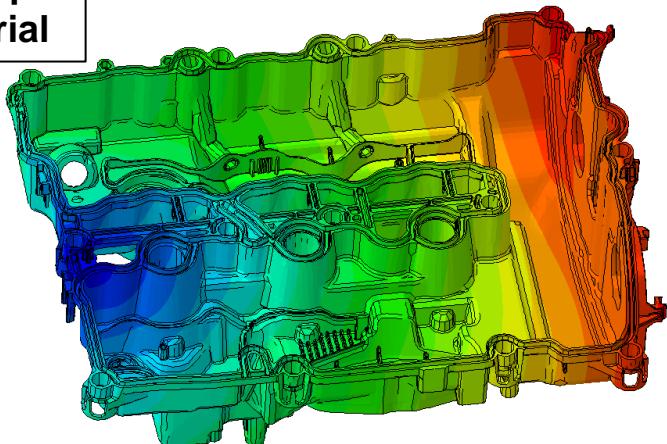
## Example 2: Pressurized Oil Filter Cap



# Example 3: Thermal Expansion of a Valve Cover

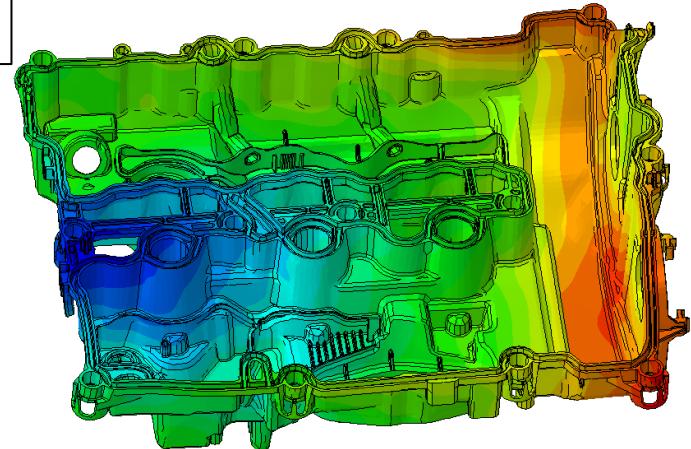
## Free Thermal Expansion

Isotropic material



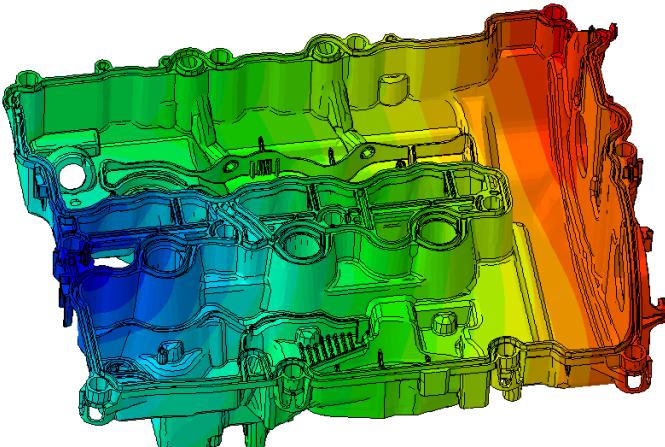
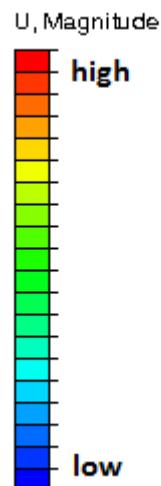
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Orthotropic material

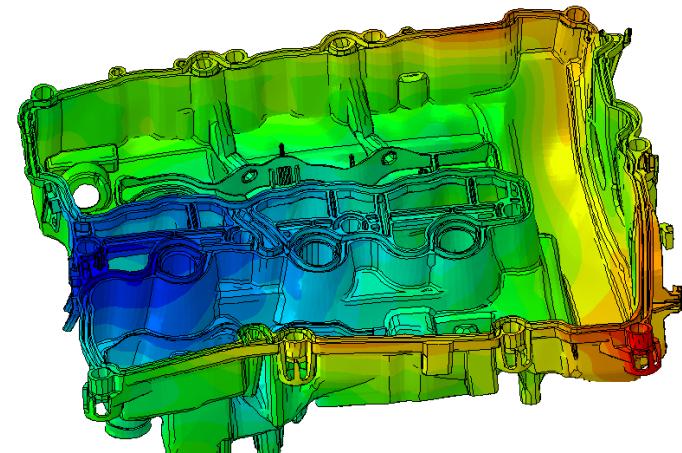


T=-40°C

➤ Deformation  
overscaled



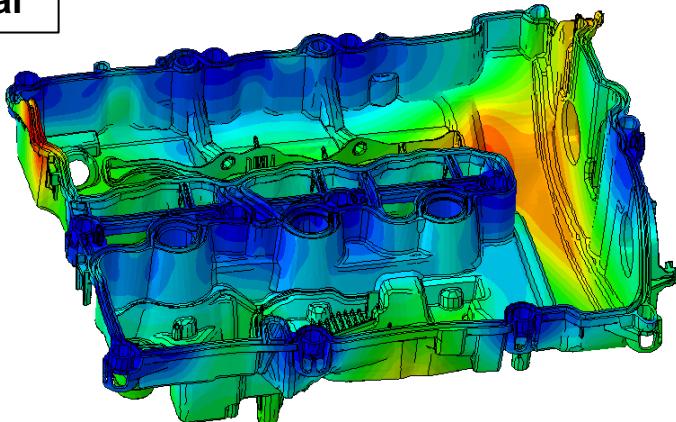
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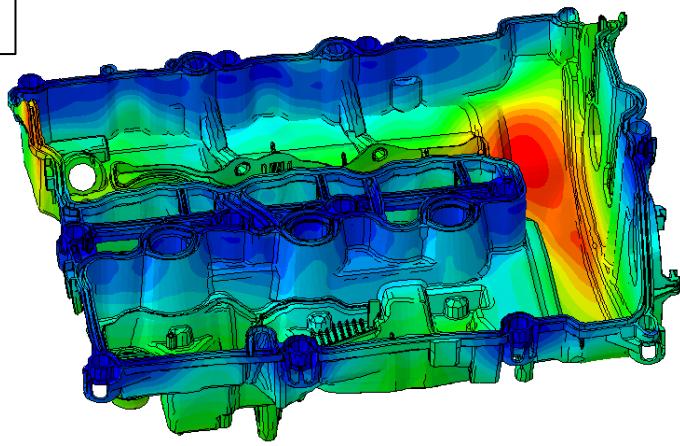
# Example 3: Thermal Expansion of a Valve Cover Mounted Thermal Expansion

Isotropic  
material



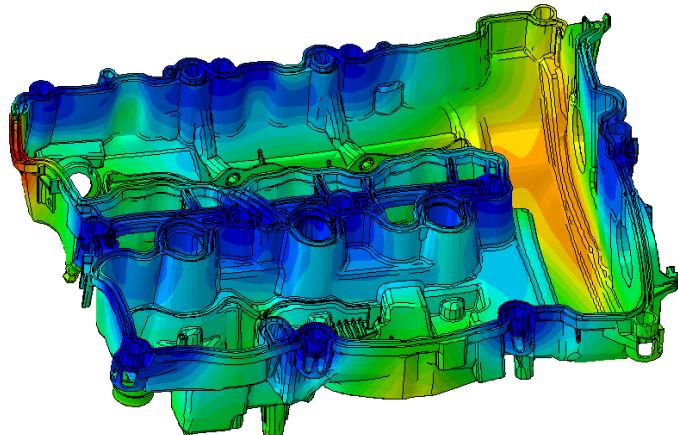
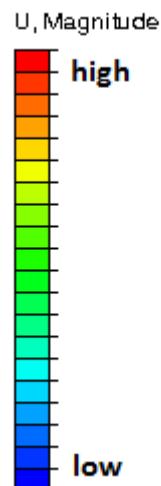
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Orthotropic  
material

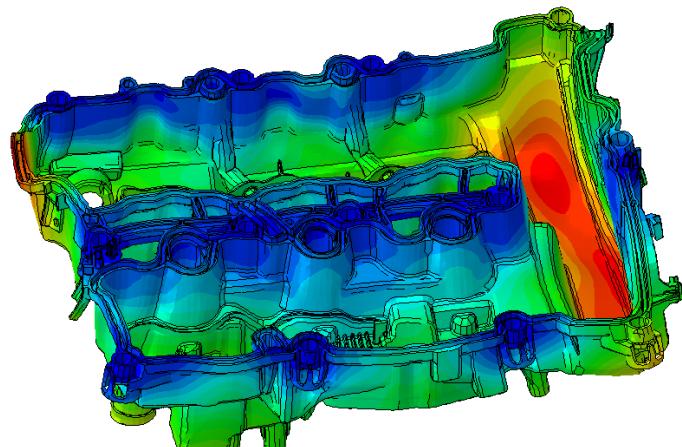


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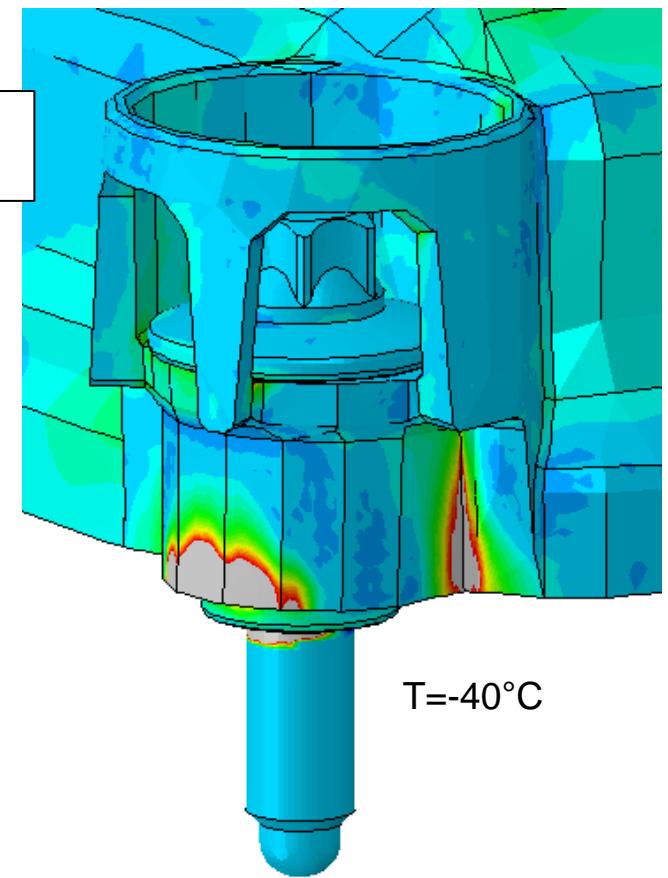
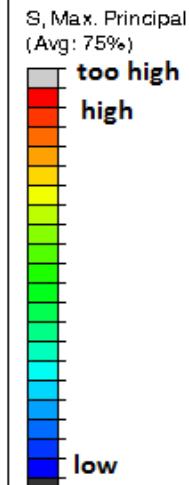
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Thermo Cycle Test results



Integrative simulation results

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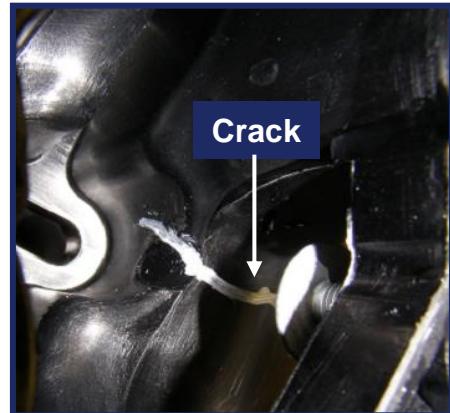


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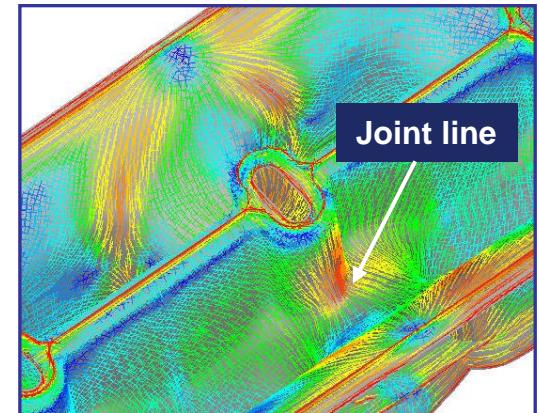
## Example 4: Burst test of Intake Module Failure Criterion

For static simulations a target for maximum stress is no longer applicable

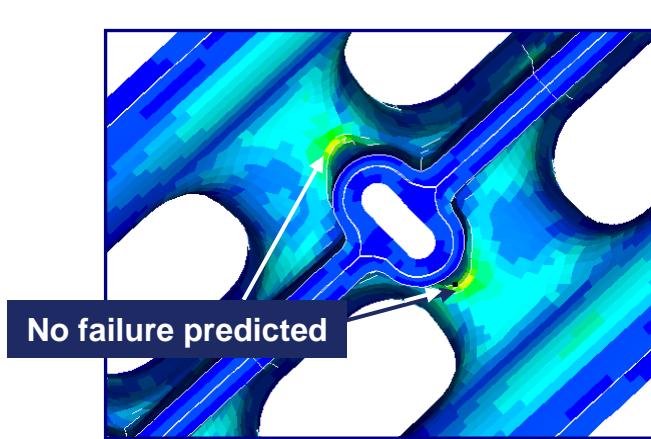
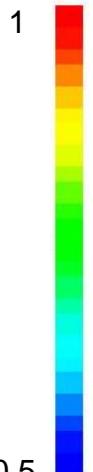
Definition of failure criterion is required



Crack after burst pressure test



Fiber orientation [-]

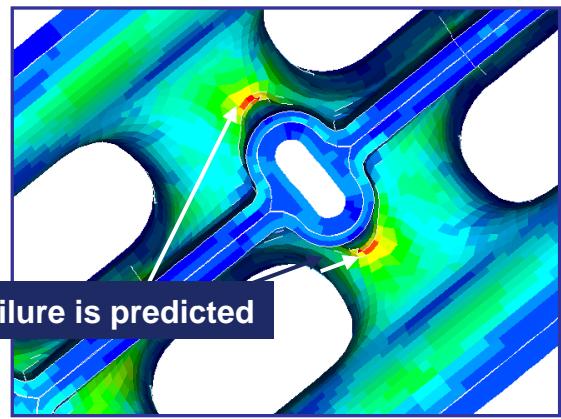
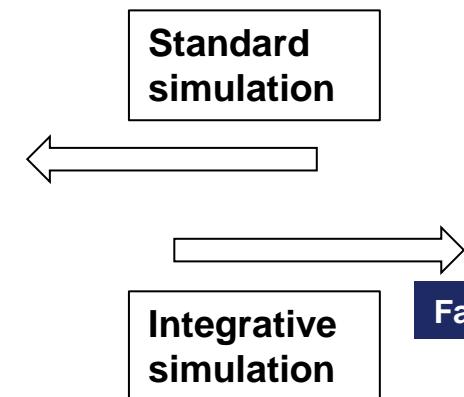


No failure predicted



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Principal stress [MPa]



Failure is predicted

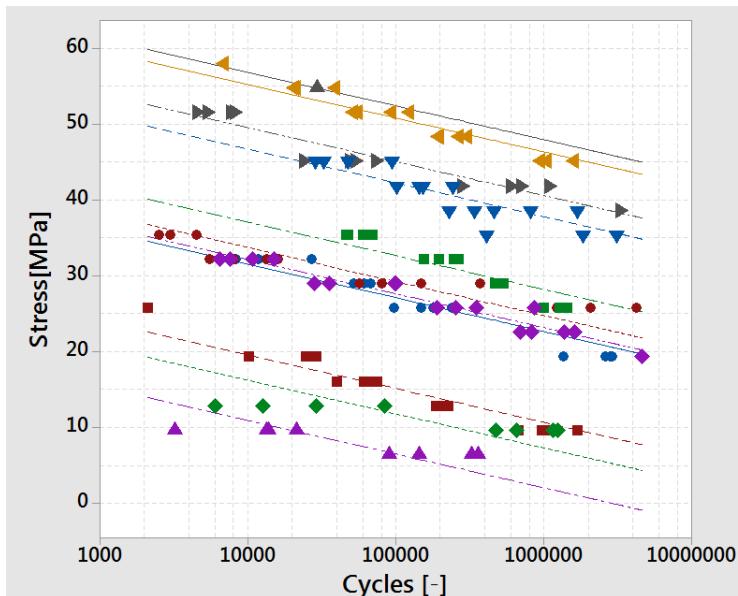


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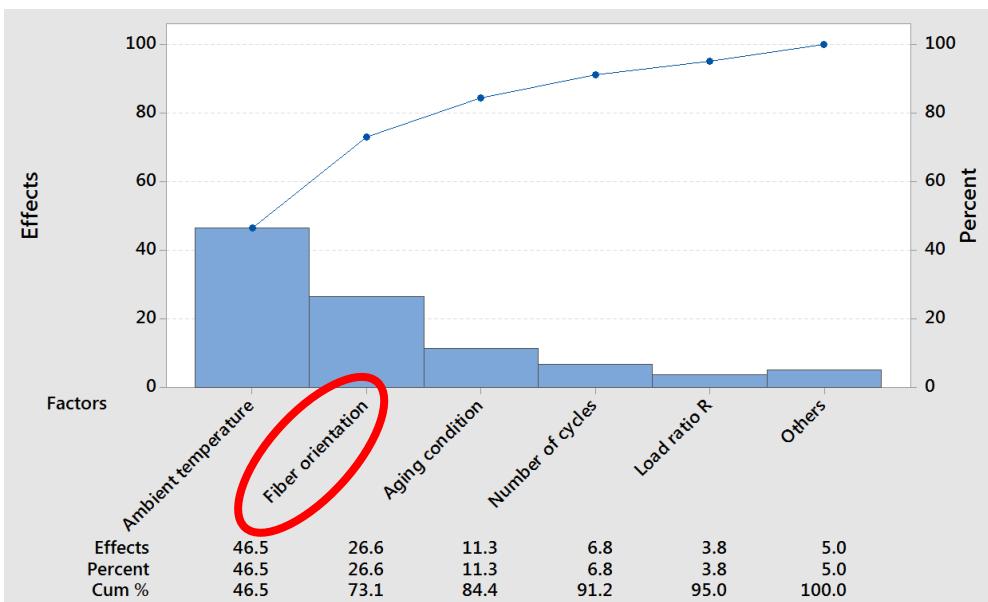
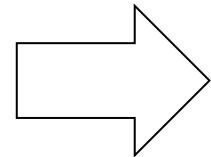
Tsai-Wu failure criterion [-]

## Example 5: Fatigue

Orthotropic material models for FRP components are mandatory for fatigue evaluation



Regression analyses



### Woehler curves of a PA66GF35

Dependent on temperature,  
aging condition and fiber orientation

### Influences on fatigue limit

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- Integrative simulation for plastic components improves the simulation accuracy
- SFRP material properties for static analyses are mostly included in the DIGIMAT database
- PERMAS interface is currently available for linear thermo-elastic properties
- Enhancement of PERMAS interface to non-linear material behavior planned within 2018
- Further simulation tasks (fatigue, crash, creep...) require specific data to feed the material models

# Questions?