

## Tutorial 42: Performing FEM Stress and Displacement Analysis and Structural Optimization of Solids

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### Motivation for this tutorial: (Originally SolidGeometry 4.2 required)

Yinlun Sun of TU Munich has supplemented the SG-Library with functions that allow a structural and topological optimization of geometric bodies with surface representation.

### List of function introduced in this tutorial

- pdemodelofSG - creates a pde tetrahedron mesh-model from a solid surface geometry
- pdeplot3D - Plot 3-D solution or surface mesh
- SGofpdemodel - returns a solid geometry surface model of a pde model
- SGremsurfpoints - returns a surface model without surface points that are inside of a surface - boundary/edge points are unchanged
- SGremsurfedgepoints - returns a surface model without edge points and surface points that are inside of a surface
- pdegplot - Plot PDE tetrahedron mesh geometry
- FSplot - plots the featureEdges of TR, SG or VLFL
- pdeplotfaces - simply plots the surfaces to select; similar as FSplot
- SGplotsurfaceload - plots the surface load of a solid geometry
- pdesolvesurfaceload - calculates the FEM analysis using pde for a pde mesh model
- pdestressstatic - returns the calculated static stress inside a SG based on a pde model by YINLUN SUN
- SGshapeOptiCAO - returns the optimized shape of a given structure based on biological growth

```
function VLFL_EXP42
```

```
% clear all; close all;
```

## 1. Conversion between triangle surface model and tetrahedon volumen model

### 1.1 Create a simple bar type link

```
A=SGbox([100,40,40])
SGfigure; h=SGplot(A); view(-30,30); setplotlight(h,'g',0.5);
```

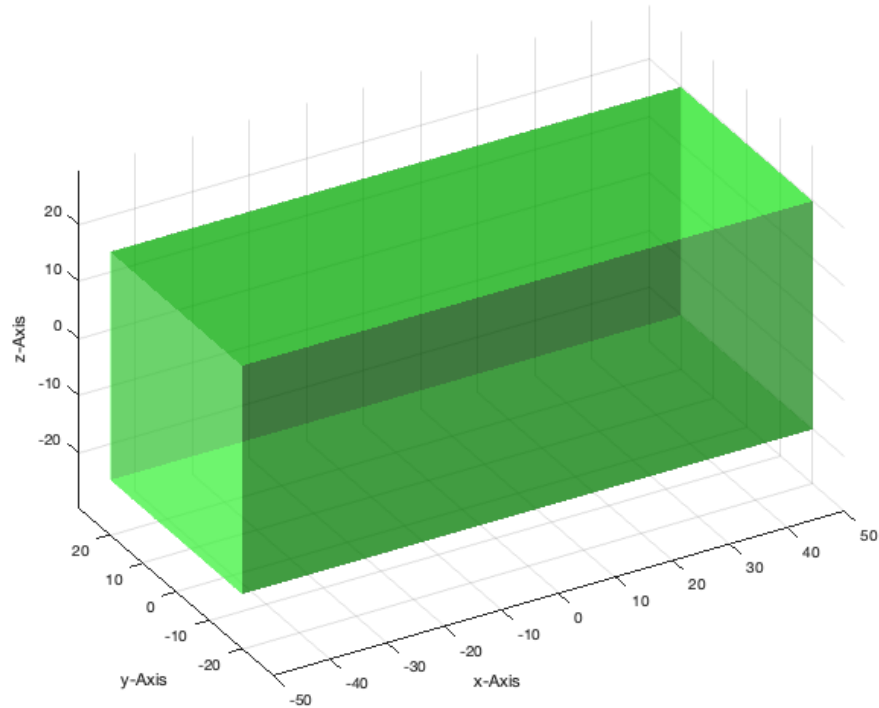
```
A =
  struct with fields:
```

```

VL: [8x3 double]
FL: [12x3 double]
Tname: {'B' 'F' 'X+' 'X-' 'Y+' 'Y-'}
T: {1x6 cell}
TFiL: {[ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]}

```

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## 1.2 Create a pde mesh model of the simple bar with voxel size 5mm

```
pdemodelofSG(A,5); model=ans
```

6 Feature Surfaces found! Only the largest 99.90% (4.000 .. 4000.0mm<sup>2</sup>), i.e. 6 of 6 are shown.

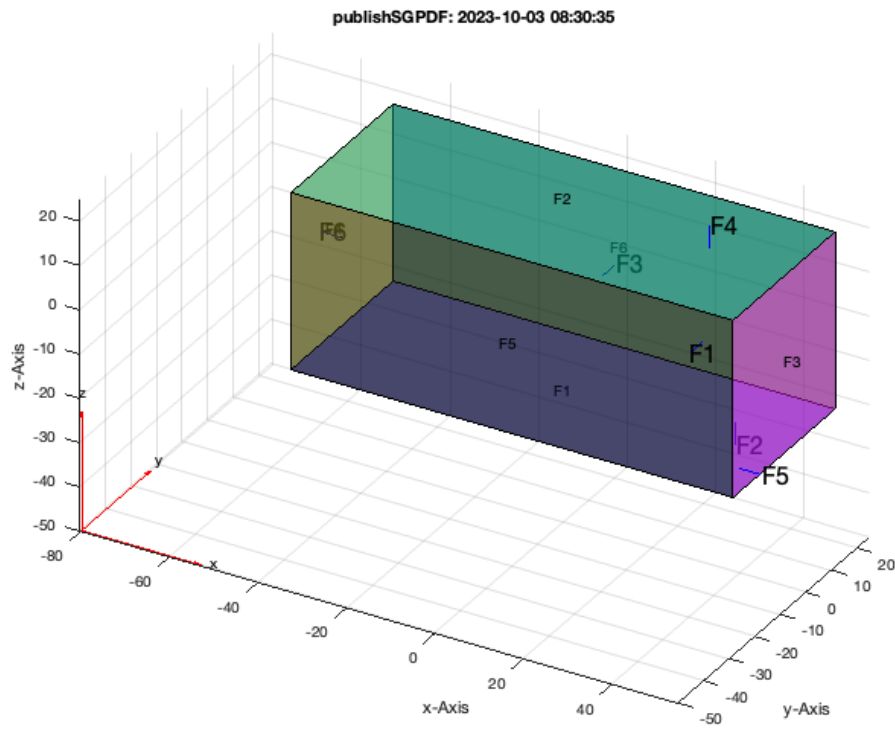
model =

PDEModel with properties:

```

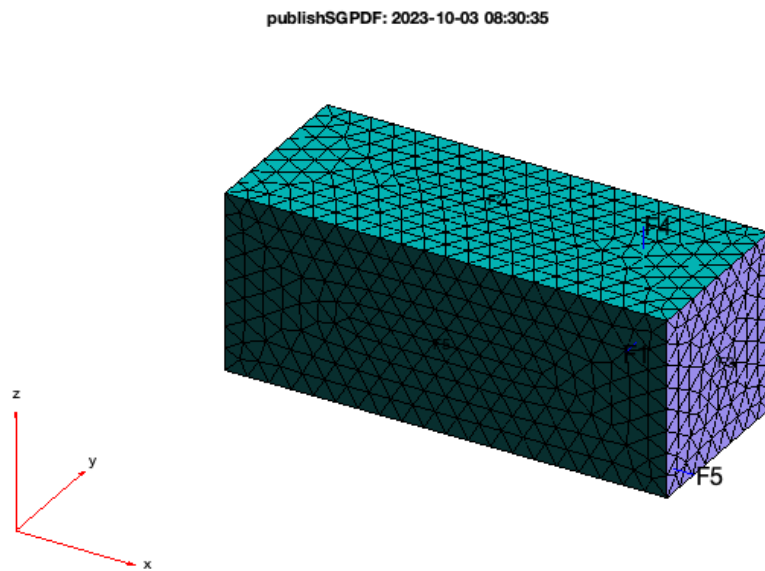
PDESystemSize: 3
IsTimeDependent: 0
Geometry: [1x1 DiscreteGeometry]
EquationCoefficients: [1x1 CoefficientAssignmentRecords]
BoundaryConditions: [ ]
InitialConditions: [ ]
Mesh: [1x1 FEMesh]
SolverOptions: [1x1 pde.PDESolverOptions]

```



**1.3 Show the tetrahedron volume structure of the mesh**

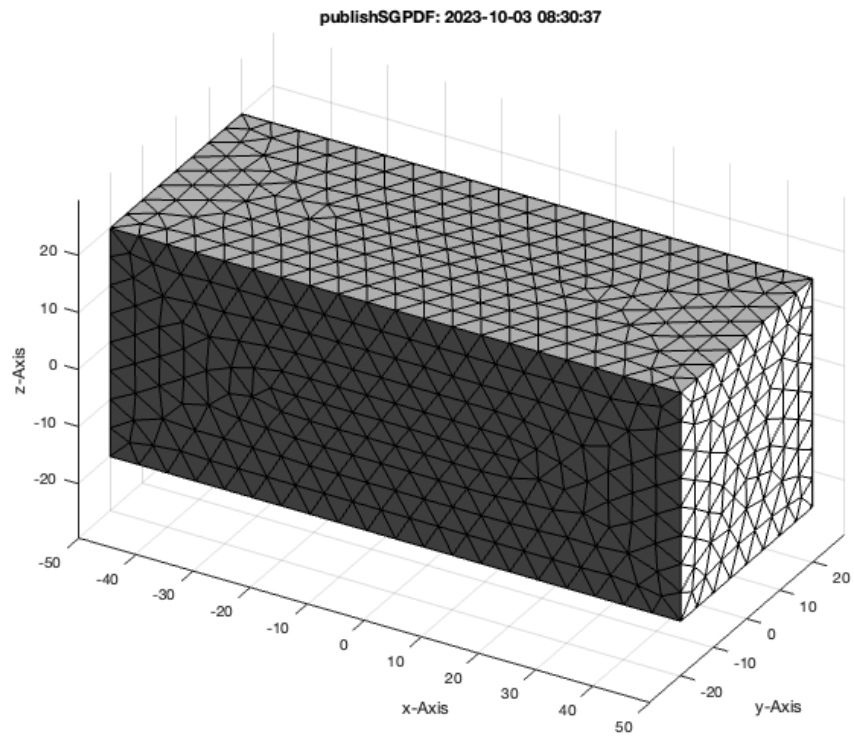
```
pdeplot3D(model);
```



**1.4 Convert the tetrahedron volume into a surface model**

```
SGofpdemodel(model); B=ans
```

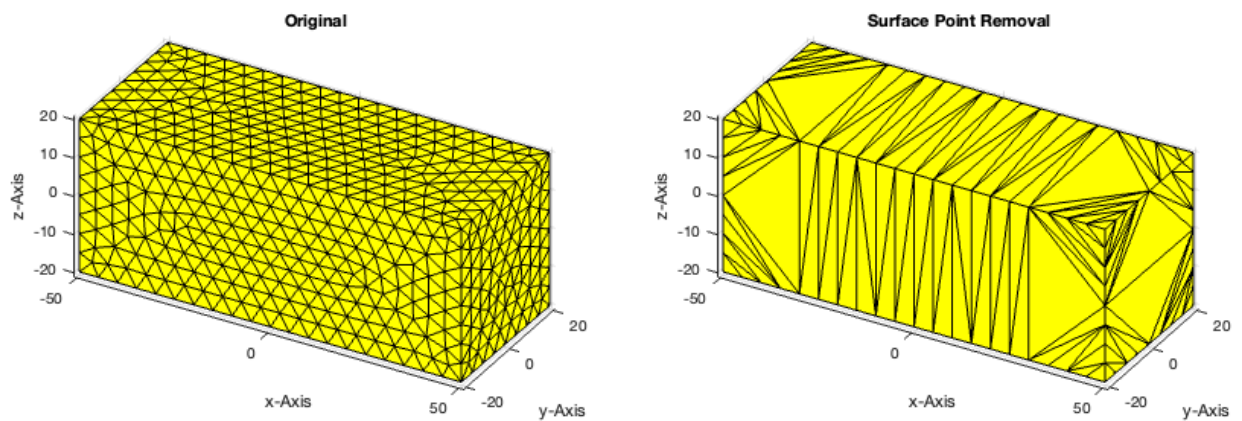
```
ans =  
Figure (1: AOI Matlab Solid Modeler app_2012_11_09) with properties:  
  
    Number: 1  
    Name: 'AOI Matlab Solid Modeler app_2012_11_09'  
    Color: [1 1 0.9000]  
    Position: [31 803 960 540]  
    Units: 'pixels'  
  
Use GET to show all properties  
B =  
struct with fields:  
  
    VL: [924×3 double]  
    FL: [1844×3 double]  
    FC: [1844×3 double]
```



### 1.5 Remove surface points of the surface model but protect the edge points

```
SGremsurfpoints(B); C=ans
```

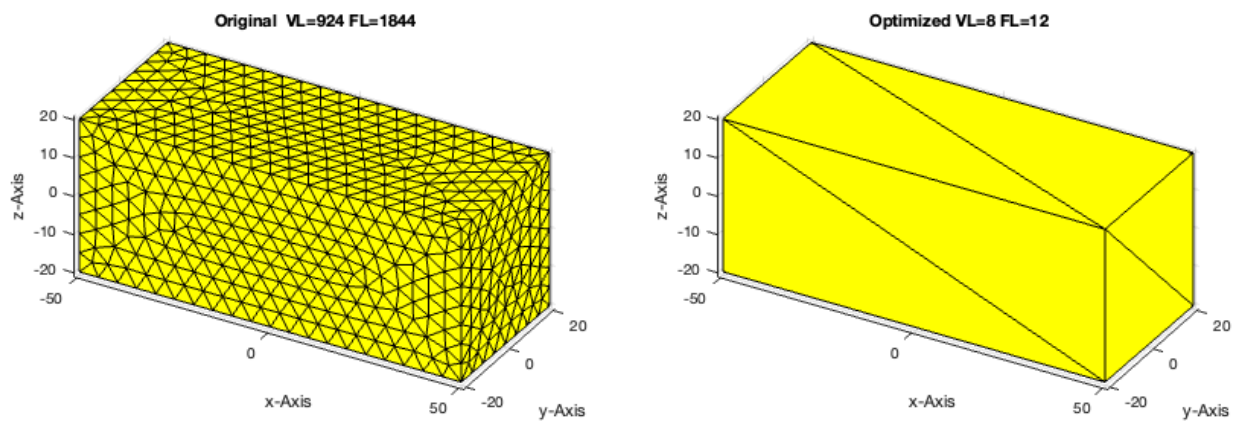
```
C =  
struct with fields:  
  
    VL: [140×3 double]  
    FL: [276×3 double]  
    FC: [276×3 double]
```



### 1.6 Remove unused edge points and surface points of the surface model

```
SGremsurfedgepoints(B); C=ans
```

```
C =  
struct with fields:  
  
    VL: [8×3 double]  
    FL: [12×3 double]  
    FC: [12×3 double]  
    Tname: {}  
    T: {}  
    TFiL: {}
```

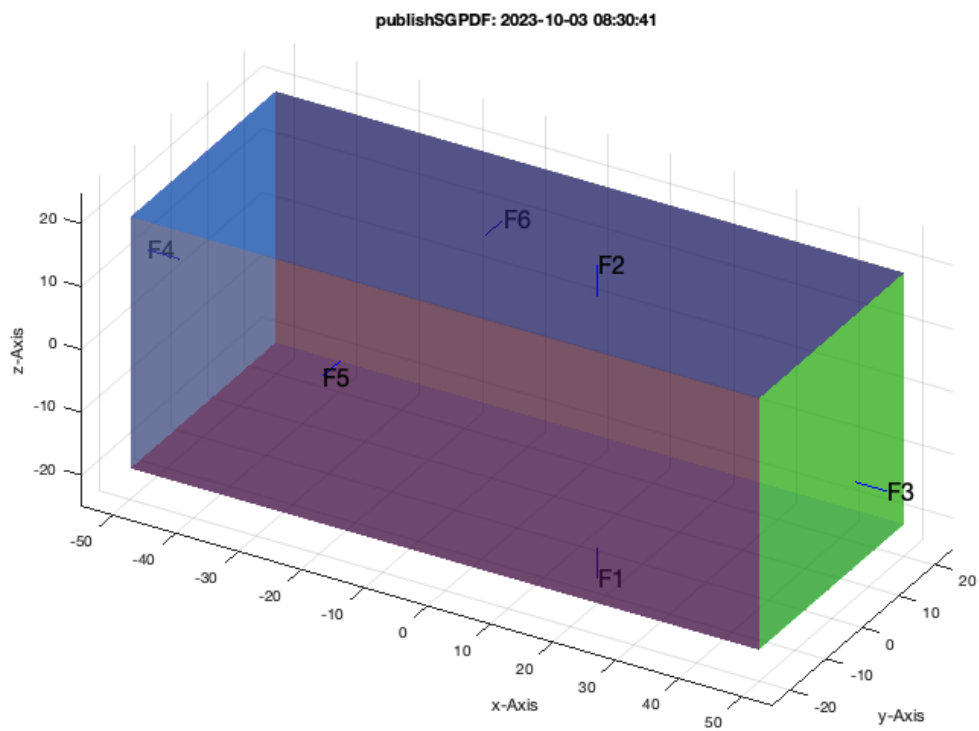


## 2. Selection of Feature Surfaces for load specification

### 2.1 Feature surface plot on surface model level

```
SGfigure; view(30,30);  
FSplot(A);
```

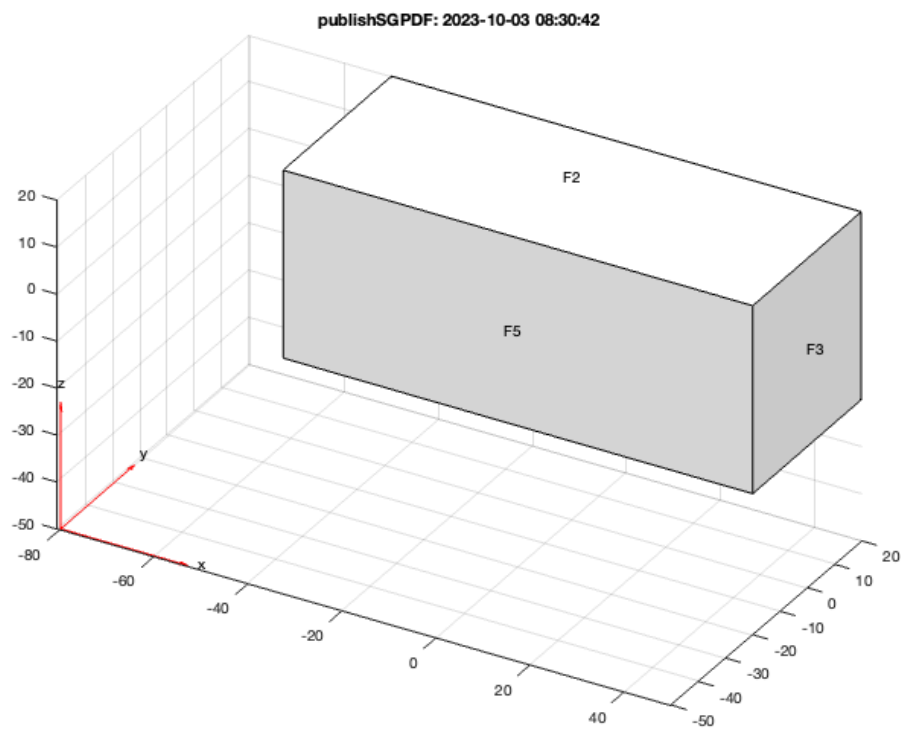
6 Feature Surfaces found! Only the largest 99.90% (4.000 .. 4000.0mm<sup>2</sup>), i.e. 6 of 6 are shown.



## 2.2 Feature surface plot on pde model level

```
SGfigure; view(30,30)  
pdeplotfaces(model);
```

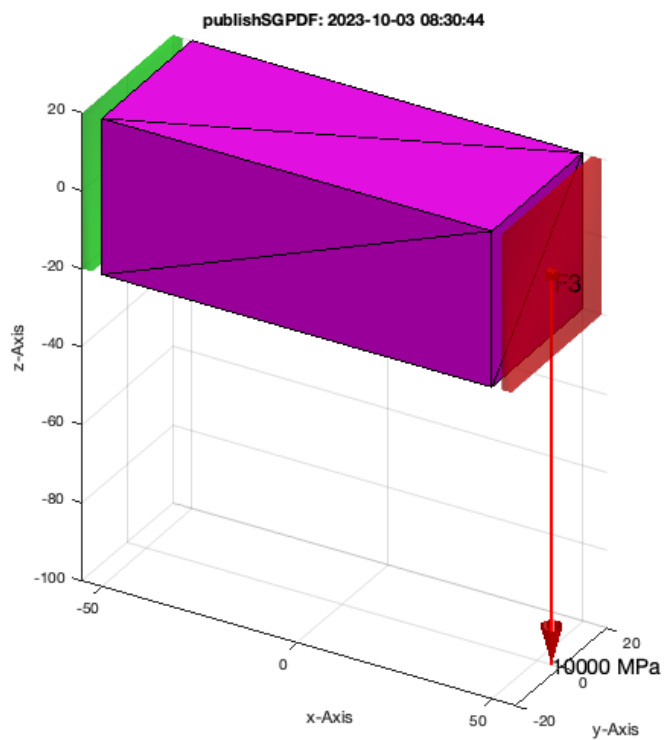




### 3. Calculating surface load dependend displacement and von-Miss stress situation

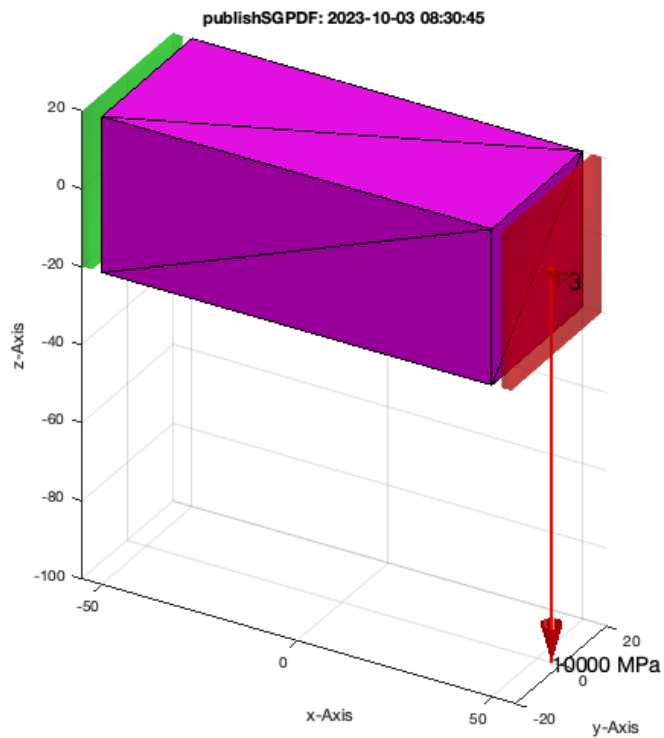
#### 3.1 Display a loading condition Fixed facet is 4, loaded surface is 3, load vector in z using Property names

```
SGfigure; SGplot(A, 'm'); view(30,30);  
SGplotsurfaceload (A, 'FixedFaceIndices',4, 'LoadFaceIndices',3, 'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
```



### 3.2 Display a loading condition Fixed facet is 4, loaded surface is 3, load vector in z using varargin

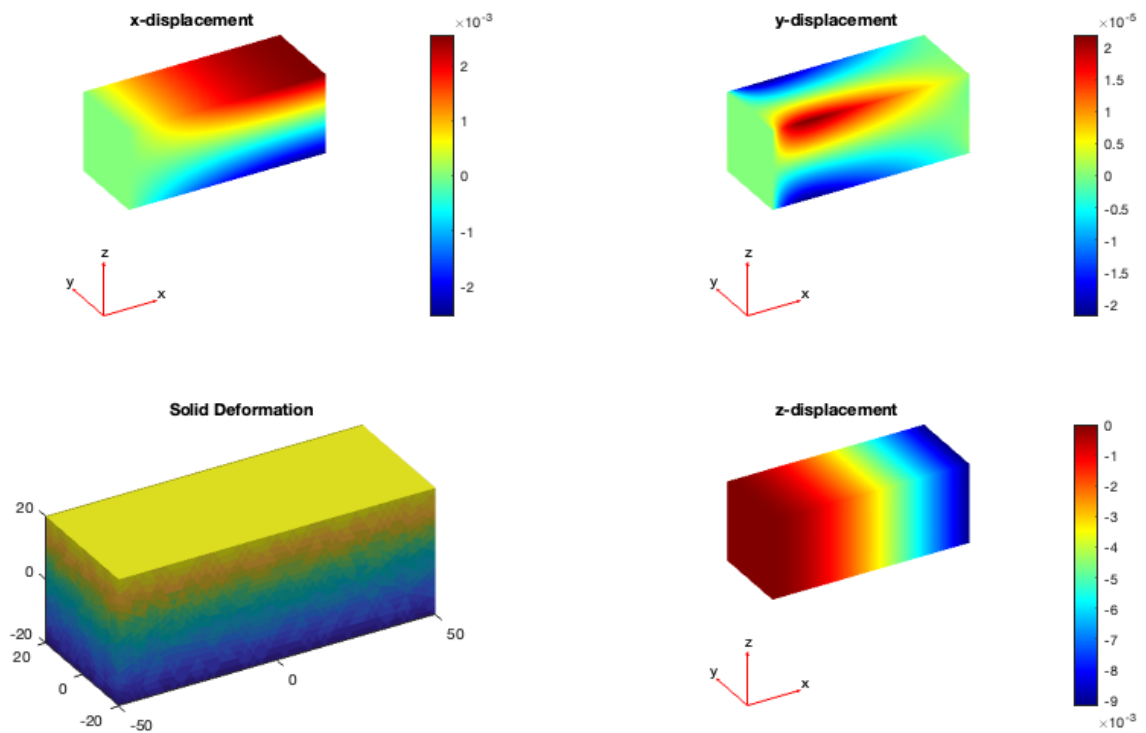
```
SGfigure; SGplot(A, 'm'); view(30,30);  
SGplotsurfaceload (A,4,3,[0 0 -1e4]);
```



### 3.3 Fixed facet is 4, loaded surface is 3, load vector in z using varargin

```
pdesolvesurfaceload(model,4,3,[0 0 -1e4]);
```

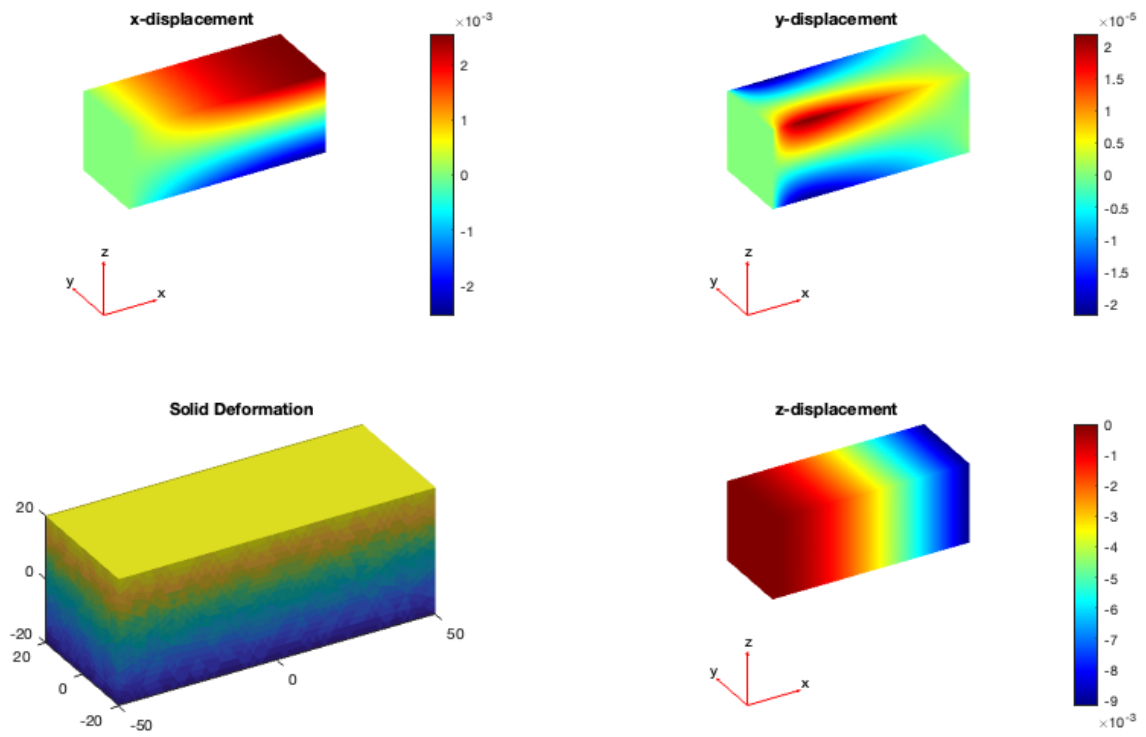
ATTENTION: The already existing pde BoundaryConditions are deleted first



### 3.4 Fixed facet is 4, loaded surface is 3, load vector in z using PropertyNames

```
pdesolvesurfaceload(model, 'FixedFaceIndices',4, 'LoadFaceIndices',3, 'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
```

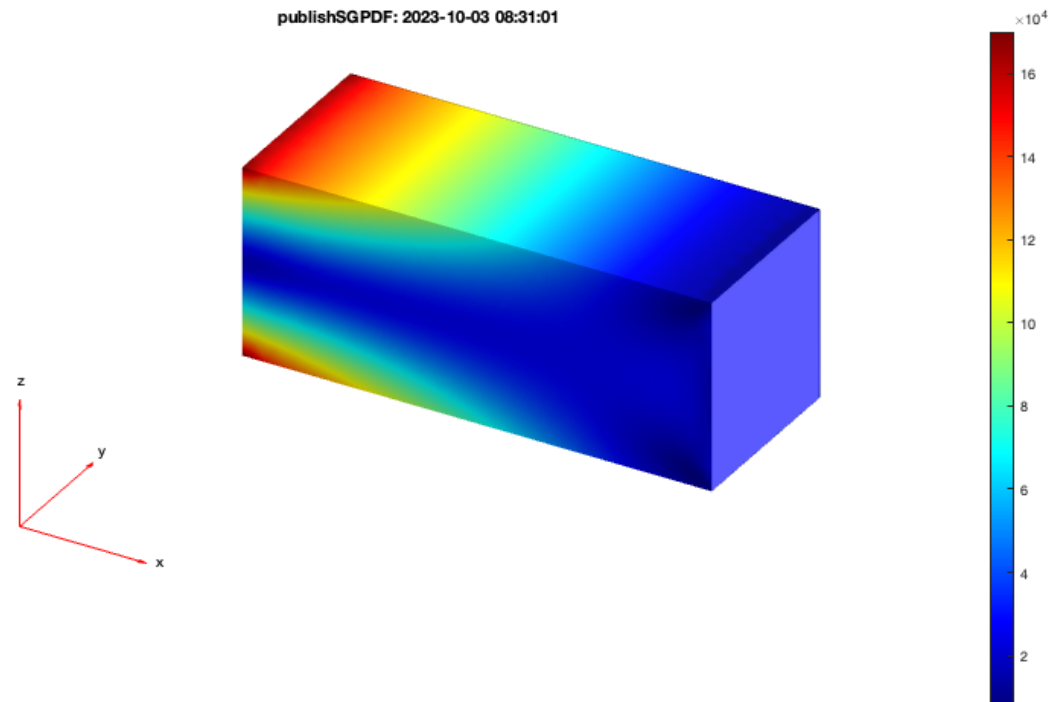
ATTENTION: The already existing pde BoundaryConditions are deleted first



### 3.5 Show von-mises-Stress for load condition

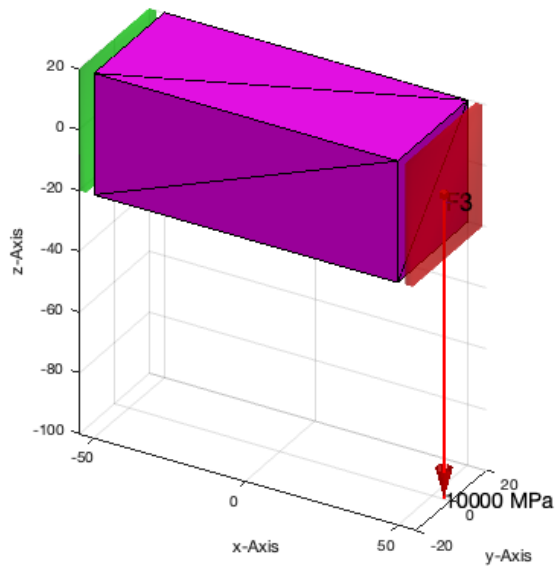
```
[result,model]=pdesolvesurfaceload(model,'FixedFaceIndices',4,'LoadFaceIndices',3,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
pdestressstatic(model,result);
```

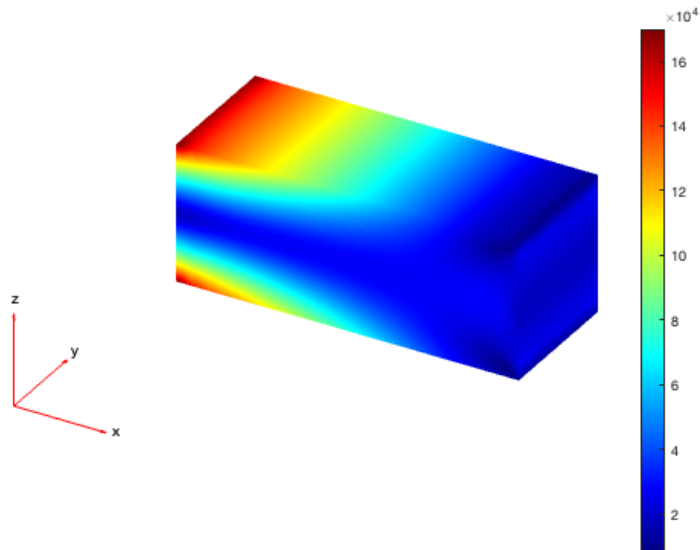
ATTENTION: The already existing pde BoundaryConditions are deleted first



### 3.6 Show von-mises-Stress and load condition

```
close all; figure(1); view(30,30); SGplot(A,'m');
SGplotsurface(A,'FixedFaceIndices',4,'LoadFaceIndices',3,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
figure(2); view(30,30);
[~,stress]=pdestressstatic(model,result);
pdeplot3D(model,'colormapdata',stress);
```





### 3.7 Do the same for the matlab standard fem solid: BracketWithHole

```
A=SGreadSTL(which('BracketWithHole.stl'),1000);
model=pdemodelofSG(A);
[result,model]=pdesolvesurfaceload(model,'FixedFaceIndices',3,'LoadFaceIndices',9,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
close all; figure(1); view(30,30); FSplot(A);
SGplotsurfaceload(A,'FixedFaceIndices',3,'LoadFaceIndices',9,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
figure(2); view(30,30);
[~,stress]=pdestressstatic(model,result);
pdeplot3D(model,'colormapdata',stress);
```

```
LOADING ASCII STL-File: /Applications/MATLAB_R2023a.app/toolbox/pde/pdedata/BracketWithHole.stl scaling factor: 1000
Processing 2102 lines:
Finishing solid bracket_with_hole_meters
ATTENTION: The already existing pde BoundaryConditions are deleted first
9 Feature Surfaces found! Only the largest 99.90% (39.433 .. 39433.2mm^2), i.e. 9 of 9 are shown.
```

## 4 Structural Optimization

### 4.1 CAO Optimization using load face 9

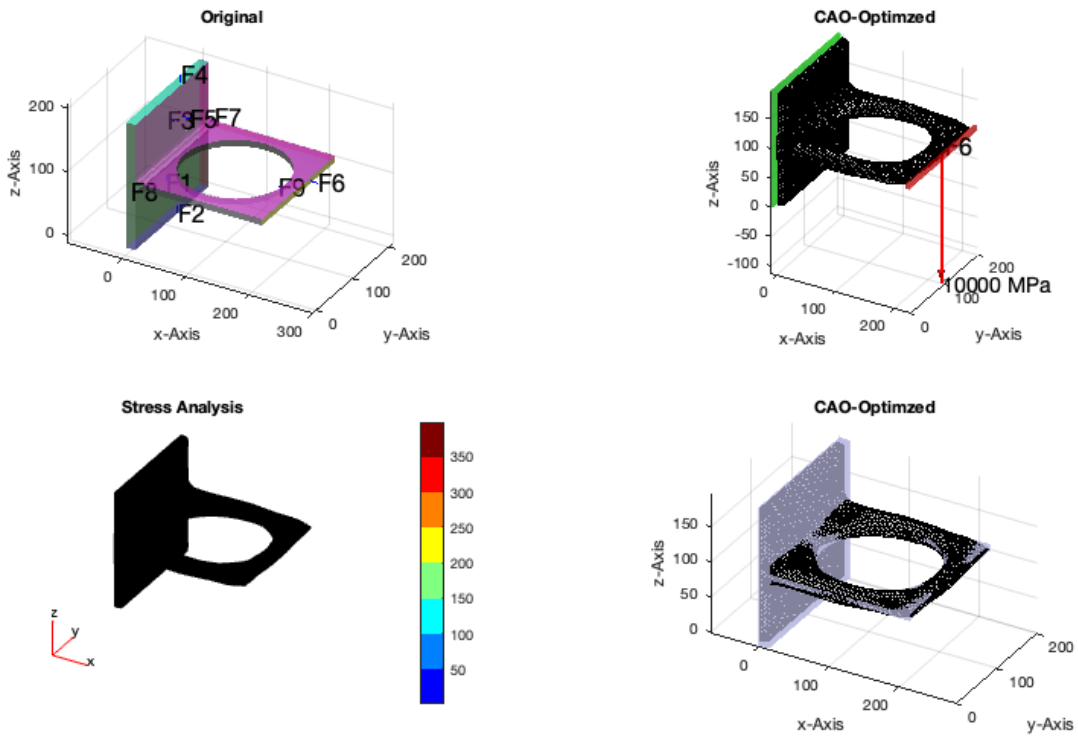
```
SGshapeOptiCAO(A,'FixedFaceIndices',3,'LoadFaceIndices',9,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
```

### 4.2 CAO Optimization using load face 6

```
SGshapeOptiCAO(A,'FixedFaceIndices',3,'LoadFaceIndices',6,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
```

```
Iteration 0: Volume of SG is 801084.6513
Iteration 1: Volume of SG is 789935.0822
Iteration 2: Volume of SG is 779164.6696
Iteration 3: Volume of SG is 770958.1838
Iteration 4: Volume of SG is 764234.1656
Iteration 5: CAO end: CAO process stops because meshing size does not fit.
```

```
***** CAO result *****
Original volume: 801084.6513 mm^3
Optimized volume: 764234.1656 mm^3
Original maximal von Mises stress: 1679.0178 N/mm^2
Optimized maximal von Mises stress: 397.9235 N/mm^2
9 Feature Surfaces found! Only the largest 99.90% (39.433 .. 39433.2mm^2), i.e. 9 of 9 are shown.
```



### 4.3 CAO Optimization using load face 5

```
SGshapeOptiCAO(A,'FixedFaceIndices',3,'LoadFaceIndices',5,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
```

### 4.4 CAO Optimization using load face 1

```
SGshapeOptiCAO(A,'FixedFaceIndices',3,'LoadFaceIndices',1,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
```

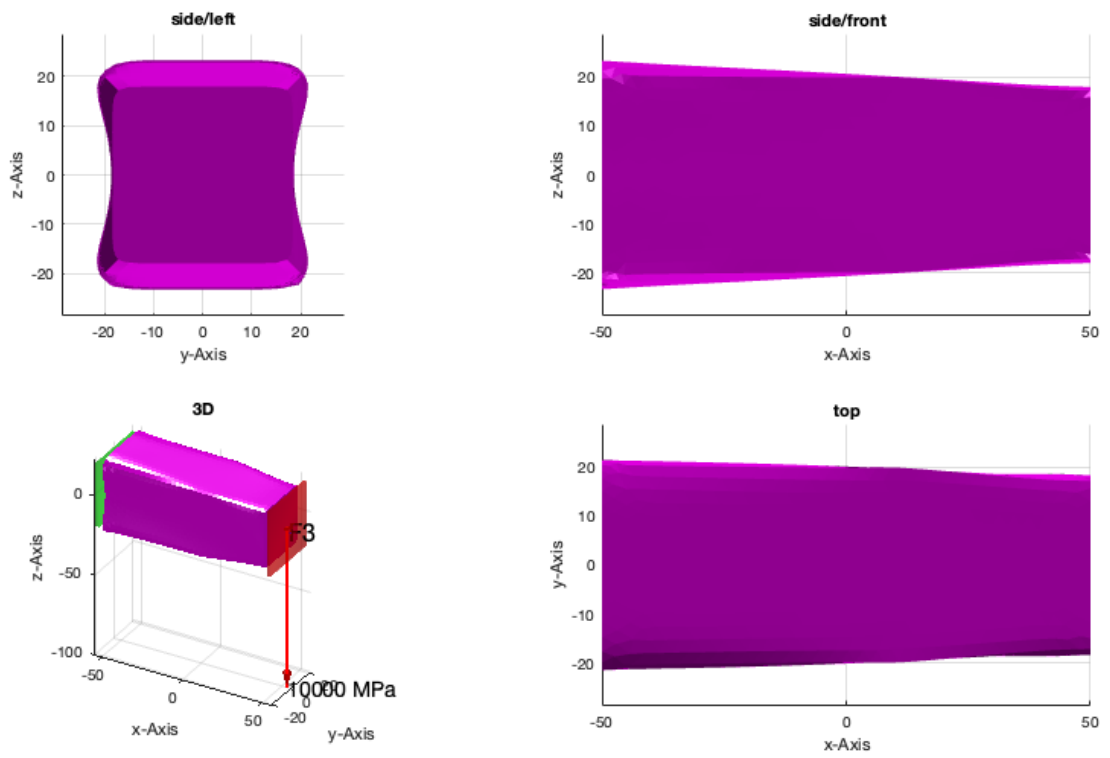
### 4.5 CAO Optimization of a simple bar

```
A=SGbox([100,40,40])
[B,result,model]=SGshapeOptiCAO(A,'FixedFaceIndices',4,'LoadFaceIndices',3,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
SGplot4(B,'m');
subplot(2,2,3); SGplotsurfaceload(A,'FixedFaceIndices',4,'LoadFaceIndices',3,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
```

```
A =
  struct with fields:
    VL: [8x3 double]
    FL: [12x3 double]
    Tname: {'B' 'F' 'X+' 'X-' 'Y+' 'Y-'}
    T: {1x6 cell}
    TFIL: {[ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]}
Iteration 0: Volume of SG is 160000
Iteration 1: Volume of SG is 159744.8536
Iteration 2: Volume of SG is 159463.2535
Iteration 3: Volume of SG is 159127.165
Iteration 4: Volume of SG is 158756.2911
Iteration 5: Volume of SG is 158383.9463
Iteration 6: Volume of SG is 158029.9453
Iteration 7: CAO end: CAO process stops because meshing size does not fit.
```

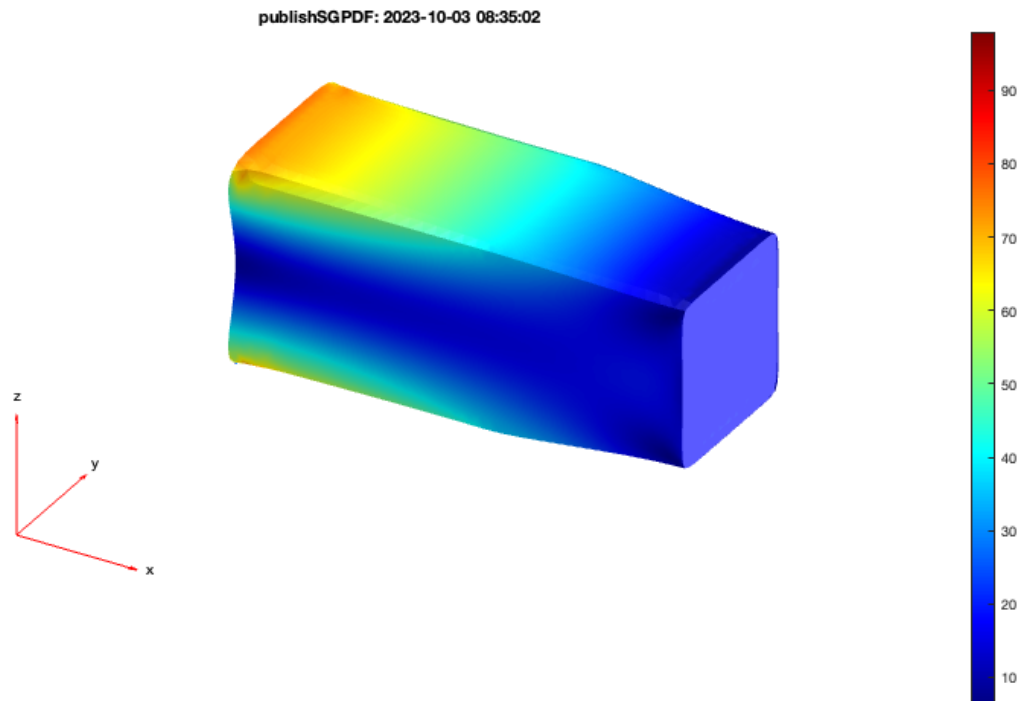
```
***** CAO result *****
Original volume: 160000 mm^3
Optimized volume: 158029.9453 mm^3
Original maximal von Mises stress: 110.8547 N/mm^2
Optimized maximal von Mises stress: 86.9479 N/mm^2
```





**4.6 Show the stress distribution in the CAO optimized shape**

```
SGfigure; pdestressstatic(model,result);
view(30,30);
```



**Final Remarks**

```
close all
```

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```

Error using matlab.ui.Figure/addprop
Invalid or deleted object.
Error in internal.matlab.publish.PublishFigures/leavingCell (line 108)
    addprop(f, obj.publishGeneratedFigure);
Error in snapnow>leavingCell (line 212)
    newFiles = data.plugins(iPlugins).instance.leavingCell(iCell);
Error in snapnow (line 144)
    data = leavingCell(iCell(k), data, doCapture(k));
Error in VLFL_EXP42 (line 144)
SGshapeOptiCAO(A,'FixedFaceIndices',3,'LoadFaceIndices',9,'Load',[0 0 -1e4]);
Error in evalmxdom>instrumentAndRun (line 116)
text = evalc(evalstr);
Error in evalmxdom (line 21)
[data,text,laste] = instrumentAndRun(file,cellBoundaries,imageDir,imagePrefix,options);
Error in publish

Error in publishSGPDF (line 15)
    publish(vname,form);
Iteration 0: Volume of SG is 801143.4667
Iteration 1: CAO end: CAO process stops because meshing size does not fit.

***** CAO result *****
Original volume: 801143.4667 mm^3
Optimized volume: 801143.4667 mm^3
Original maximal von Mises stress: 549.3953 N/mm^2
Optimized maximal von Mises stress: 549.3953 N/mm^2
9 Feature Surfaces found! Only the largest 99.90% (39.433 .. 39433.2mm^2), i.e. 9 of 9 are shown.

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