

# Castability Study and Reducing Scrap with Optimization of a Steering Housing

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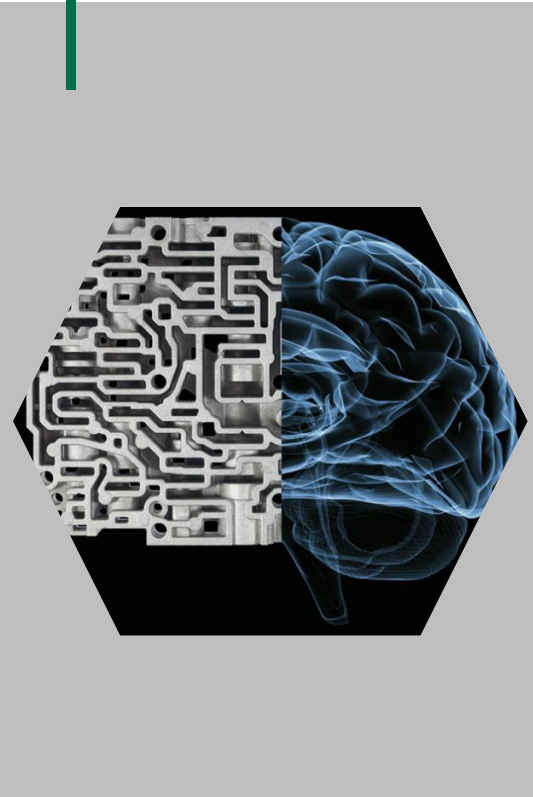
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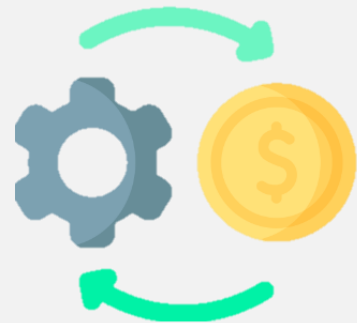
## Information About Part



## Part Castability Study



## Optimization Study





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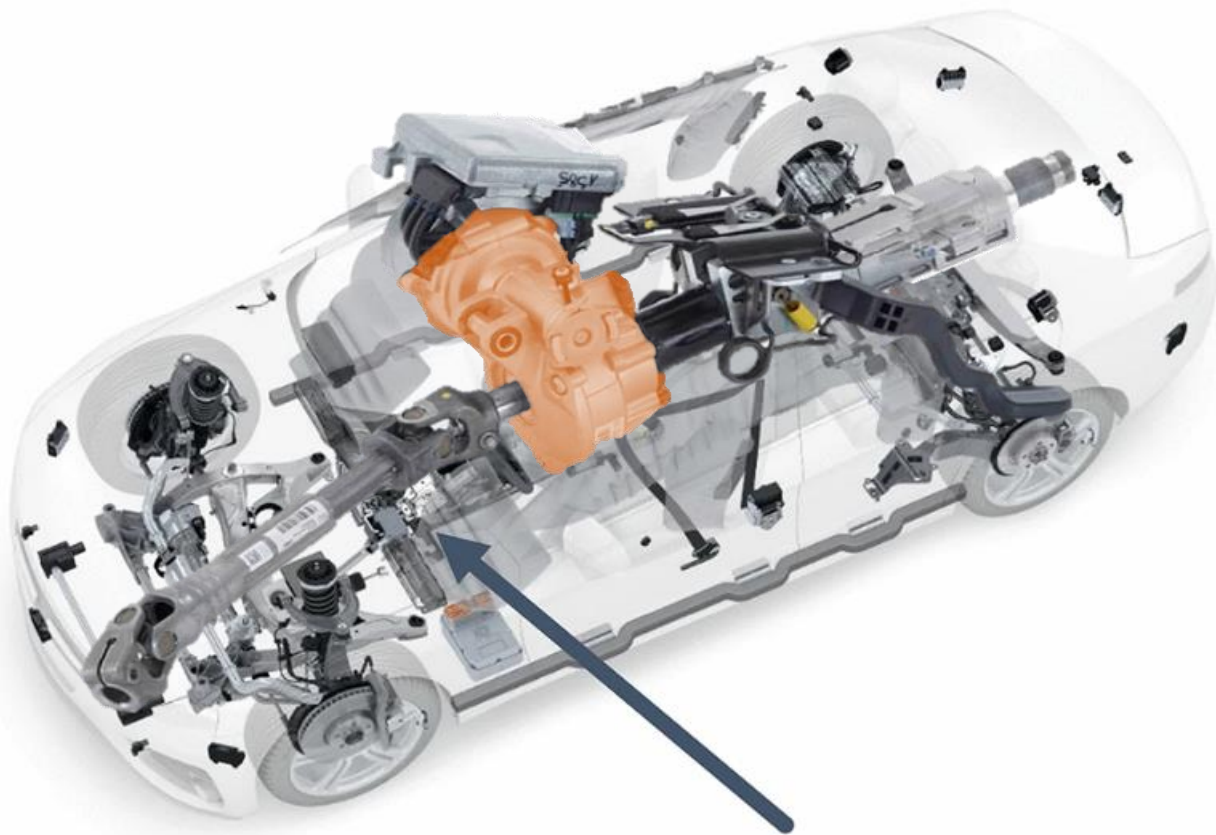
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## Part Information

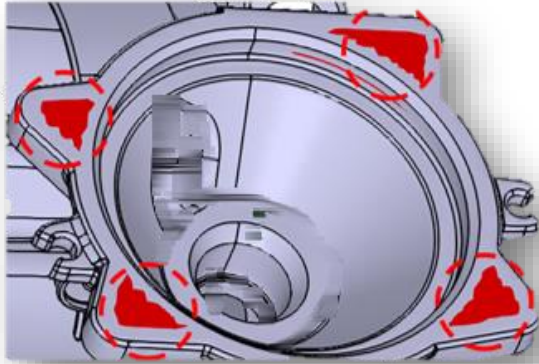
*C-EPS is a steering system which uses an electric motor and reduction gear system rather than hydraulic pressure to provide steering assist.*

*Steering Columns and Intermediate Shafts connect the steering wheel to the steering mechanism to control lateral motion by transferring the driver's input torque from the steering wheel.*

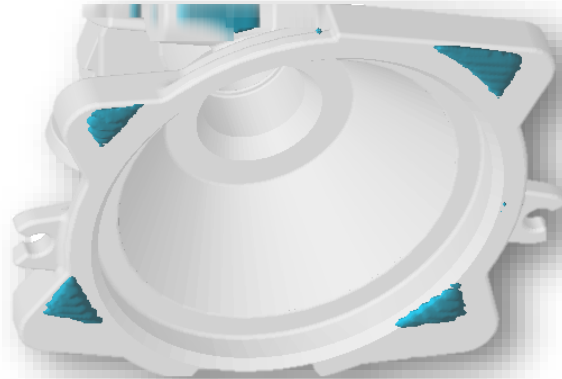




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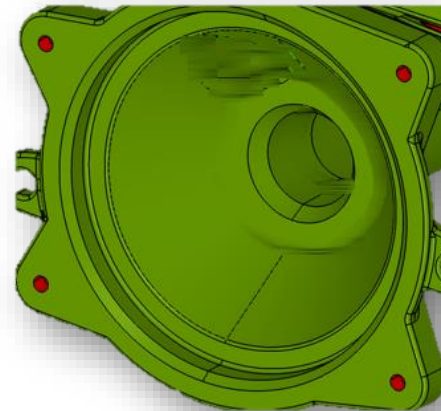


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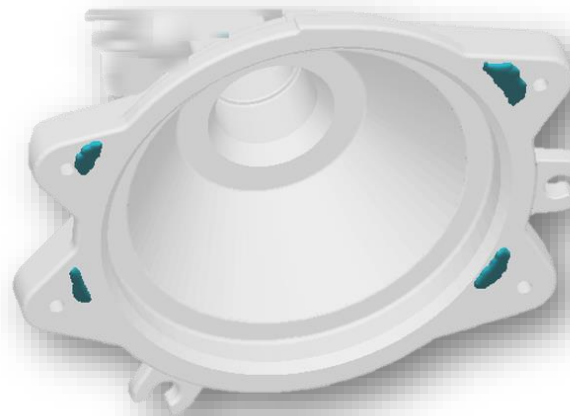


Pre-simulation result for the first model.

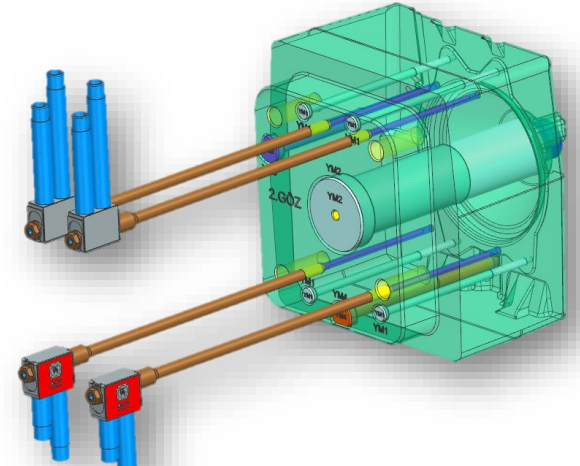
Shrinkage risk was observed in pre-simulation results.



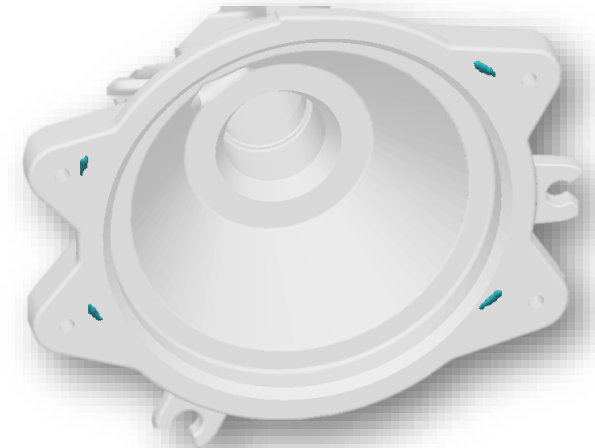
The thickness of the thick areas was reduced by adding a pre-hole on the part.



The risk of shrinkage porosity is reduced after the pre-hole is added.



Jet cooling system was added to the pre-holes on the mold.

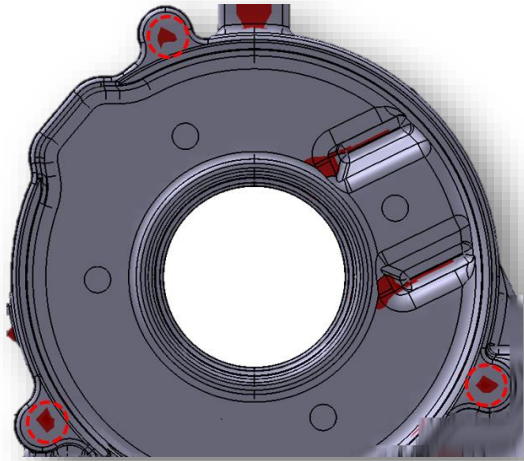


After the addition of the Jetcool system, the shrinkage porosity risk has reached an acceptable level.

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\*Areas larger than 8 mm are shown in red.

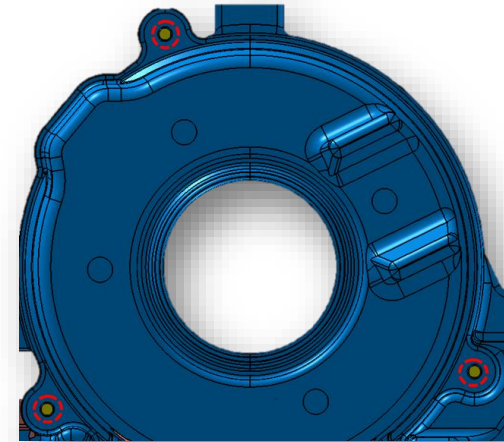
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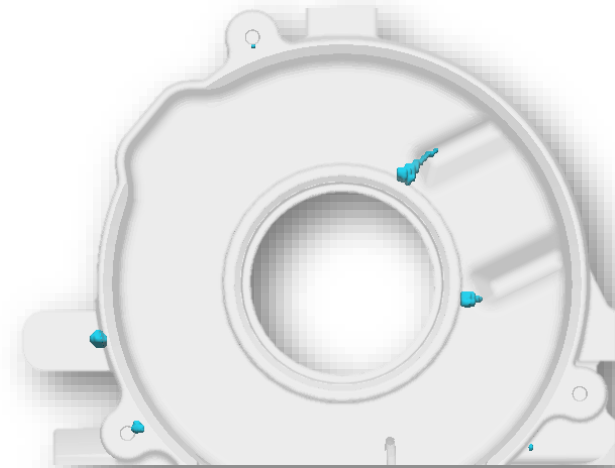
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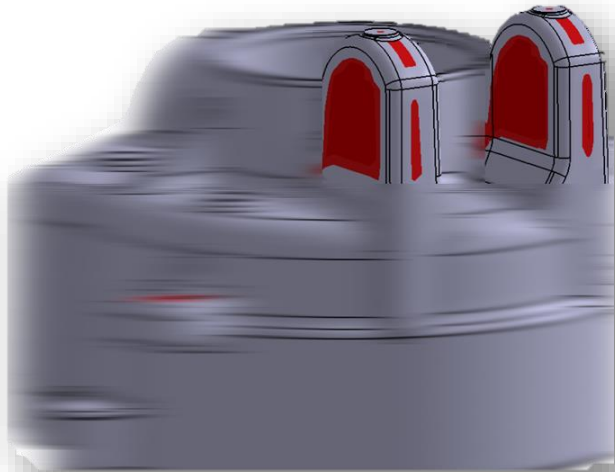
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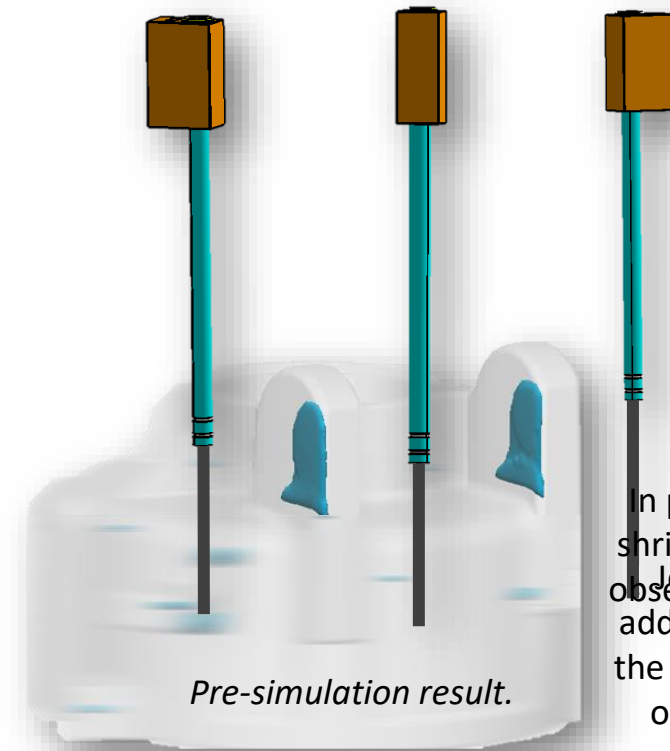
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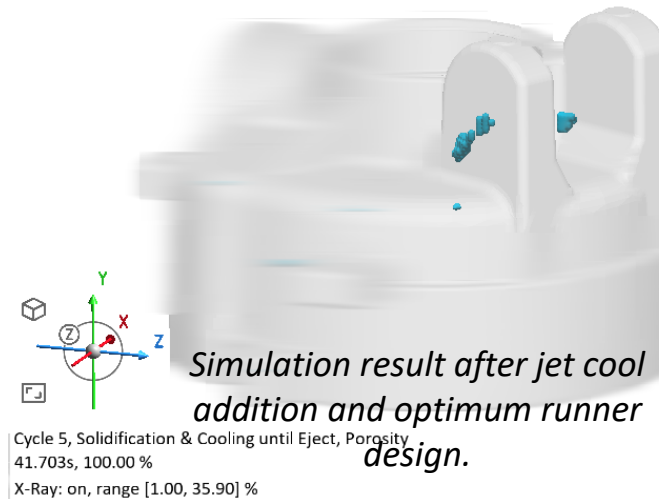


*In the areas marked in red, there was a risk of shrinkage porosity due to the high thickness. The same risk was also observed in the pre-simulation results.*

*\*Areas larger than 8 mm are shown in red.*



In pre-simulation studies, shrinkage porosity risk was observed in the thick figure. Jet cooling system was added to the thick areas on the mold to prevent the risk of shrinkage porosities.



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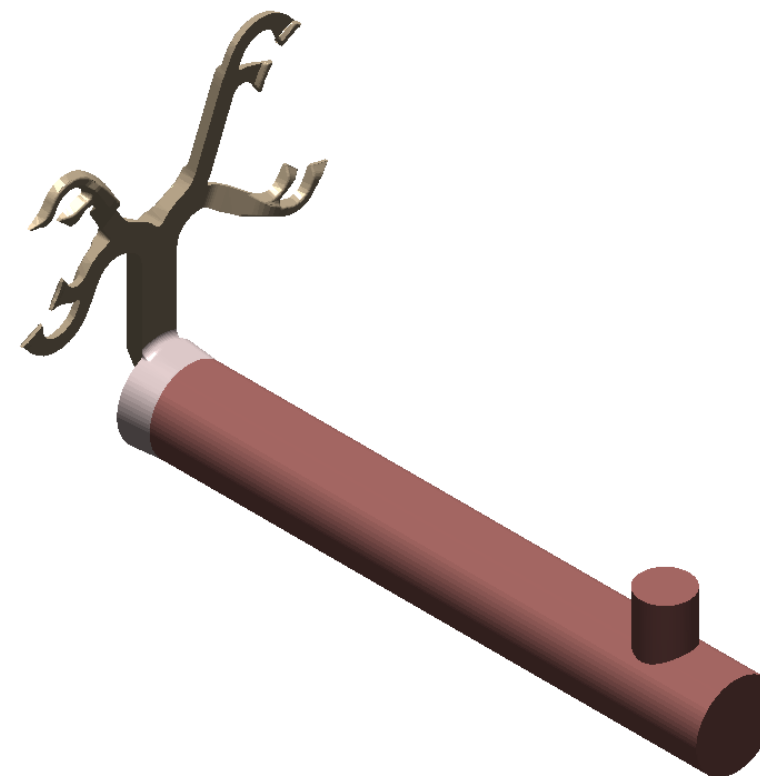
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***Purpose of performing 1st phase optimization:***

*Deciding the 1st phase velocities with the least air left in the shot chamber.*

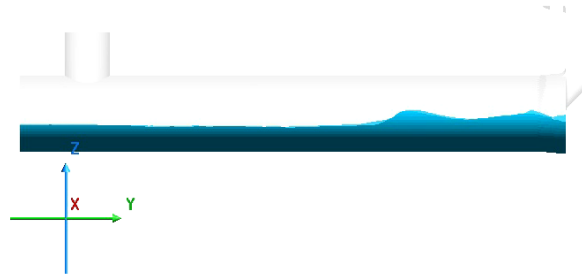
***Velocities tested in '1st phase optimization'***

Design Variables		
Range of Variation		
Lower limit	0.15	m/s
Upper limit	0.3	m/s
Step	0.05	m/s



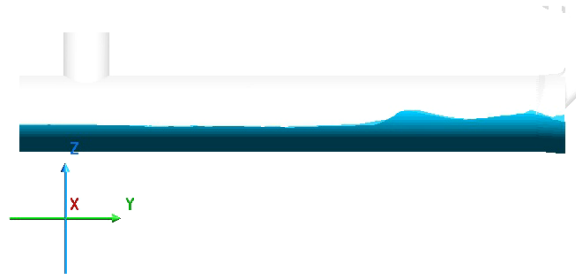
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# 1st Phase Optimization



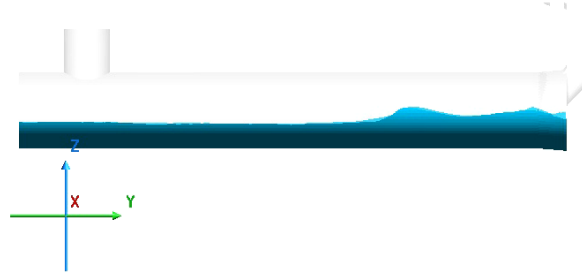
v16\_d1  
Cycle 5, Filling, Absolute Velocity  
0.0ms, 7.06 %  
Plunger position: 0.00 mm  
X-Ray: on

*1st phase velocity=0,15 m/s*



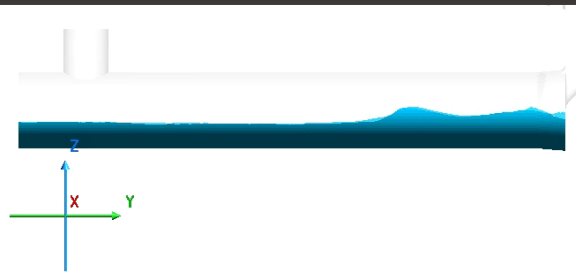
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X-Ray: on

*1st phase velocity=0,20 m/s*



v16\_d3  
Cycle 5, Filling, Absolute Velocity  
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Plunger position: 0.00 mm  
X-Ray: on

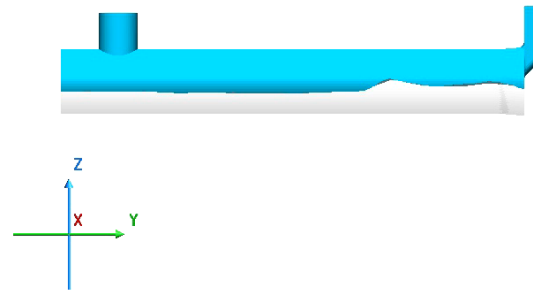
*1st phase velocity=0,25 m/s*



v16\_d4  
Cycle 5, Filling, Absolute Velocity  
0.0ms, 7.06 %  
Plunger position: 0.00 mm  
X-Ray: on

*1st phase velocity=0,30 m/s*

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Cycle 5, Filling, Air Pressure  
0.0ms, 7.06 %  
Plunger position: 0.00 mm  
X-Ray: on

*1st phase velocity=0,15 m/s*



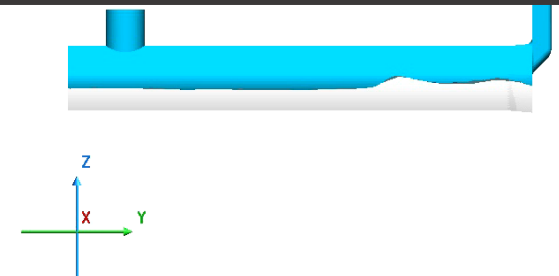
Cycle 5, Filling, Air Pressure  
0.0ms, 7.06 %  
Plunger position: 0.00 mm  
X-Ray: on

*1st phase velocity=0,25 m/s*



Cycle 5, Filling, Air Pressure  
0.0ms, 7.06 %  
Plunger position: 0.00 mm  
X-Ray: on

*1st phase velocity=0,20 m/s*



Cycle 5, Filling, Air Pressure  
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Plunger position: 0.00 mm  
X-Ray: on

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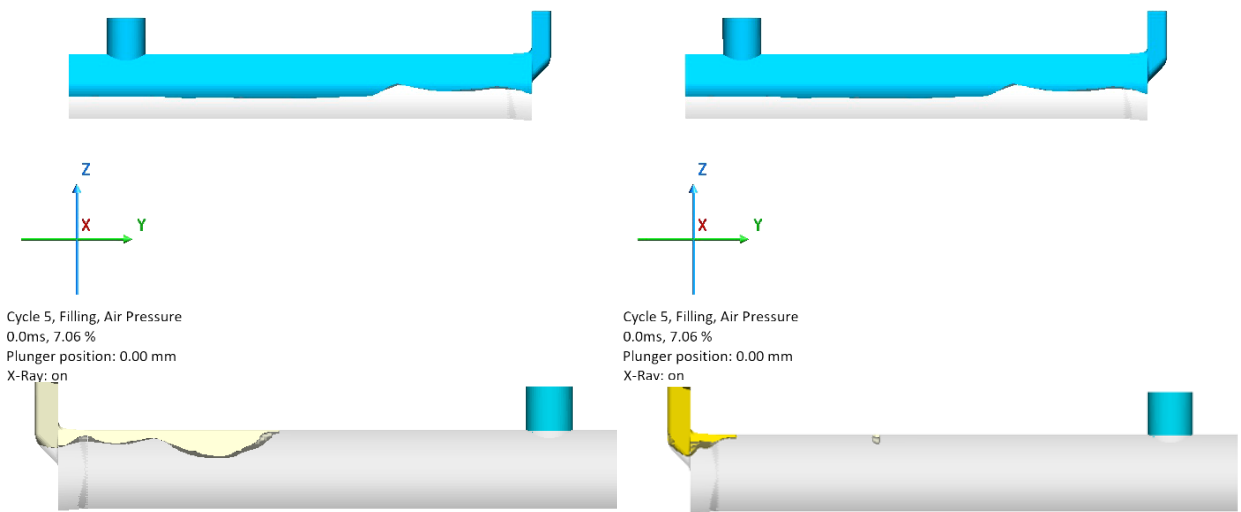
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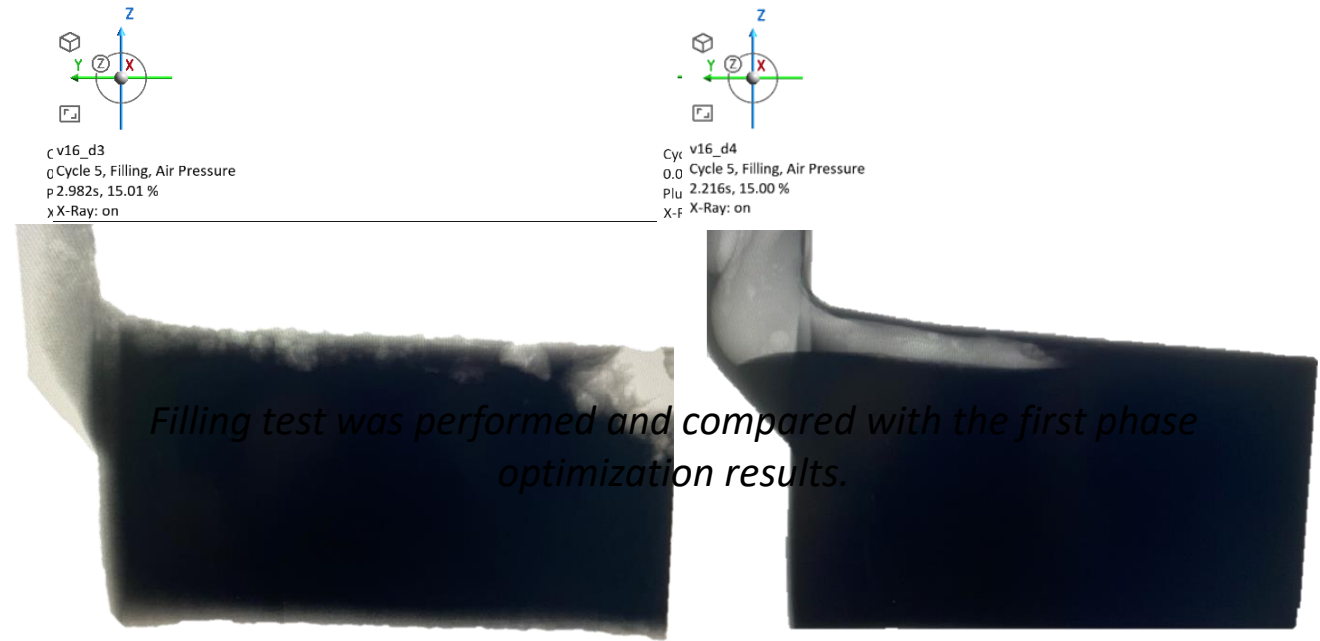


# 1st Phase Optimization

Simulation Result

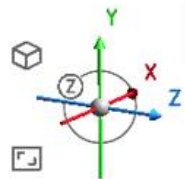
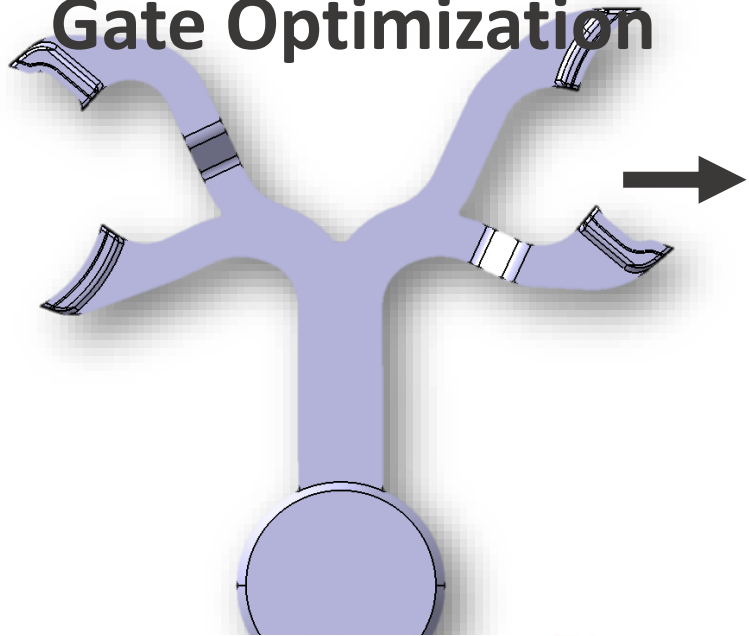


X-Ray Result  
(Filling Test)

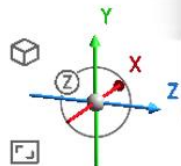
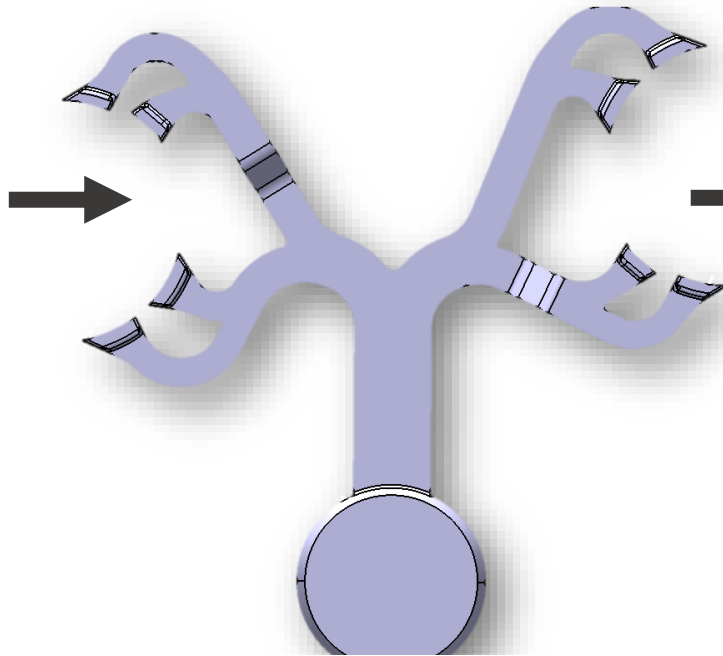
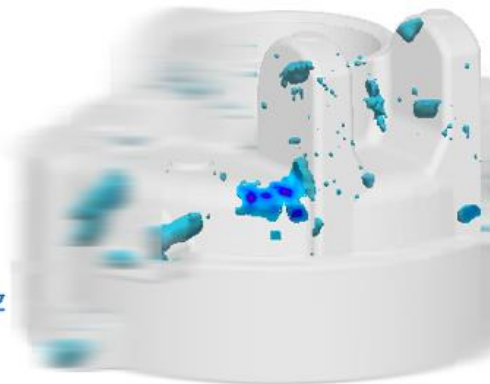


Filling test was performed and compared with the first phase optimization results.

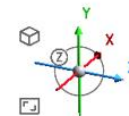
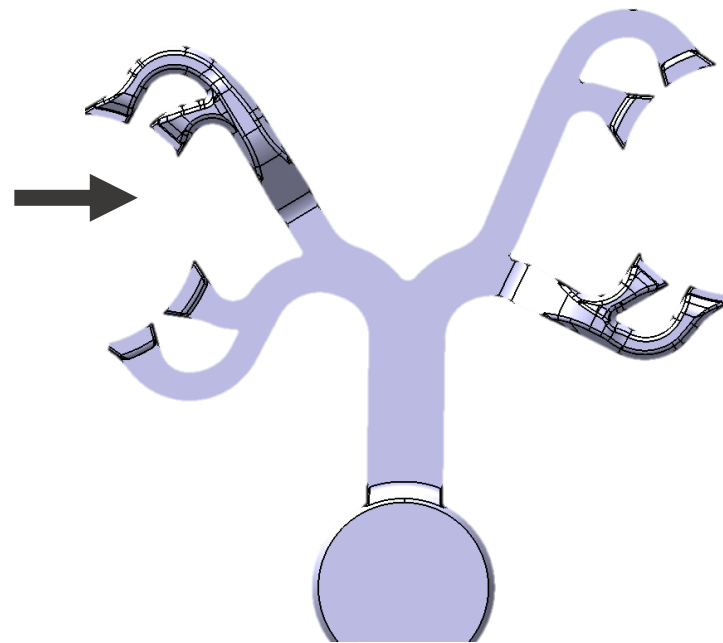
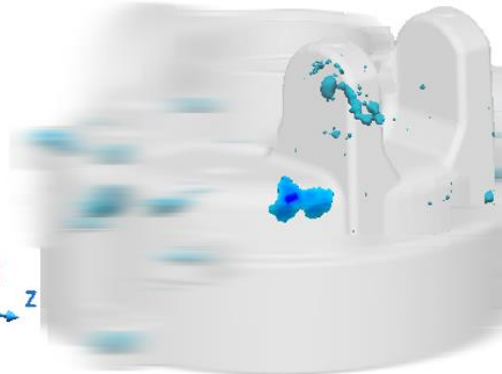
# Gate Optimization



v01  
Cycle 4, Filling, Intensification Air Entrapment  
3.279s  
X-Ray: on, range [1.00, 66.84] %



v06  
Cycle 4, Filling, Intensification Air Entrapment  
4.502s  
X-Ray: on, range [1.00, 32.34] %



v16\_d4  
Cycle 5, Filling, Intensification Air Entrapment  
2.714s  
X-Ray: on, range [1.00, 29.92] %



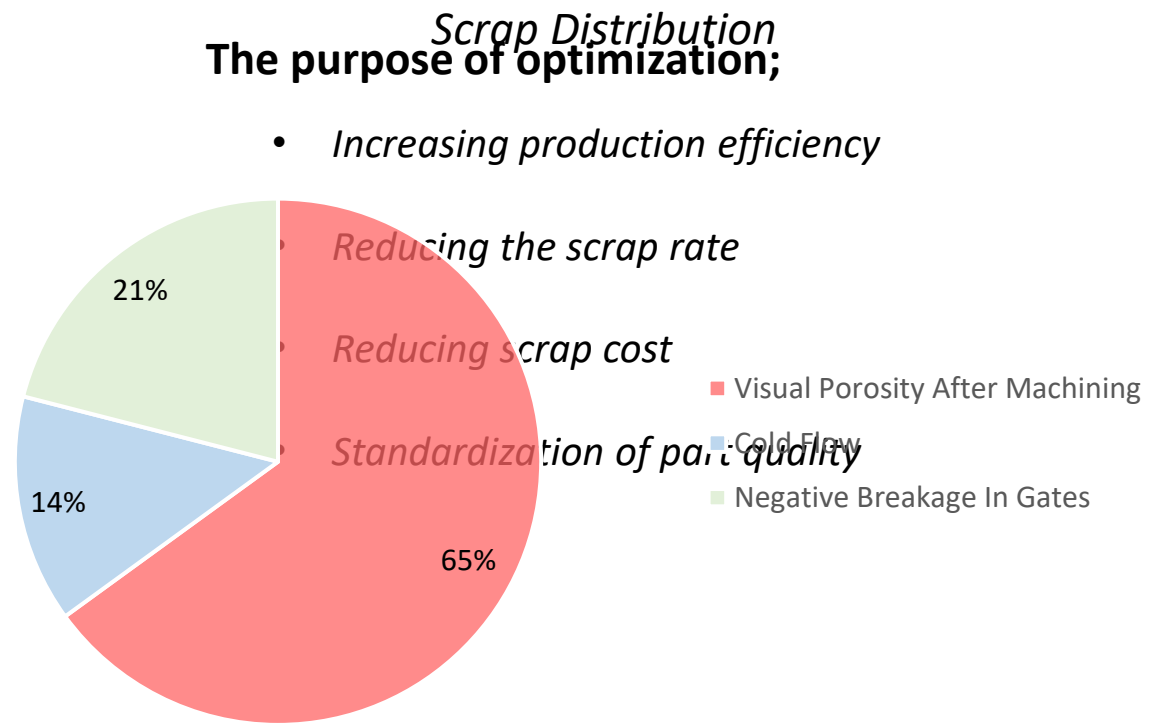
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# Scrap Rate Information

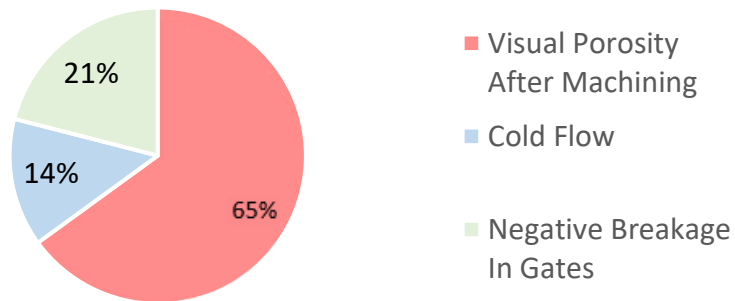
*Our aim for this part is to achieve a 3,5% scrap after machining. However, the scrap level after machining is at 9,2% in mass production.*



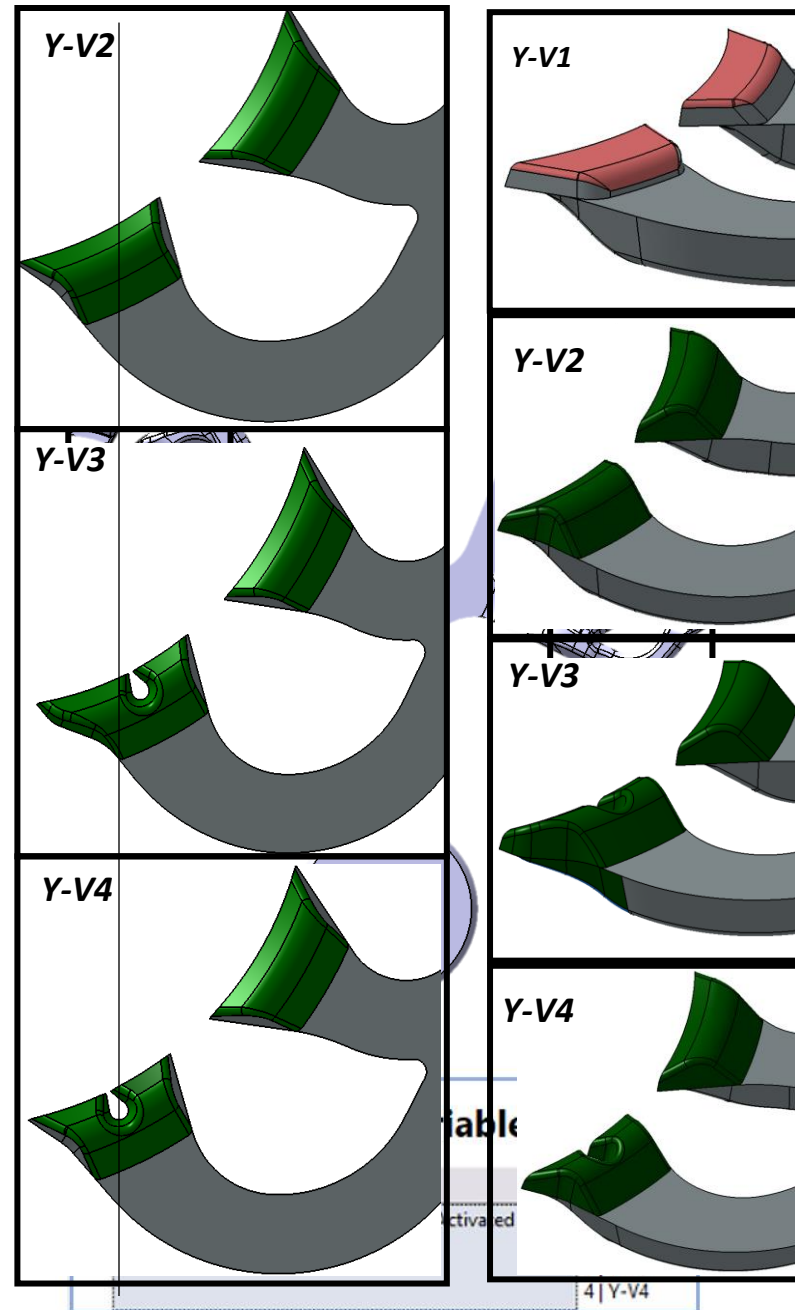
# Geometry Exchange Optimization

## Scrap Distribution

Our optimization aim: Reduce Visual Porosity Scrap Rate



In order to reduce the scrap, an optimization study was carried out with 'geometry exchange' on 4 different gates. *Serial Runner Design*




*Different types of gates have been designed to prevent the visual porosity problems on the figure.*



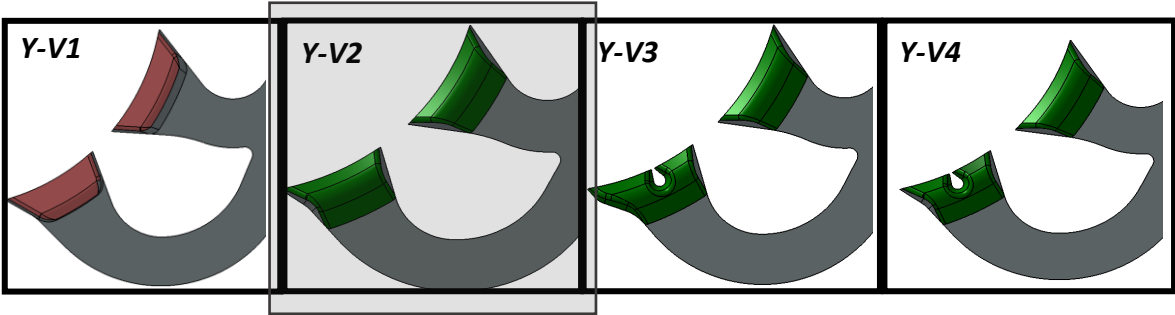


# Geometry Exchange Optimization

Results to be evaluated in 'Geometry Exchange' Optimization.

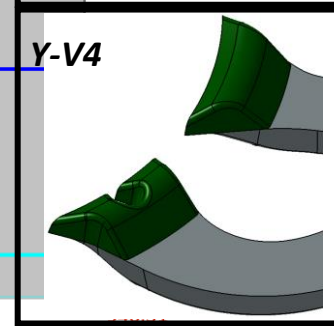
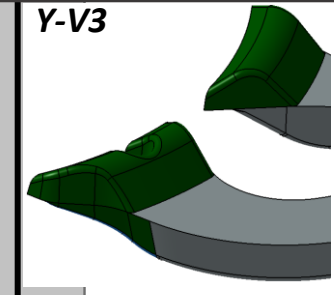
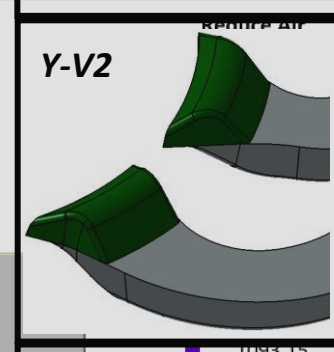
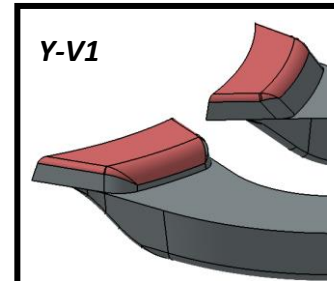
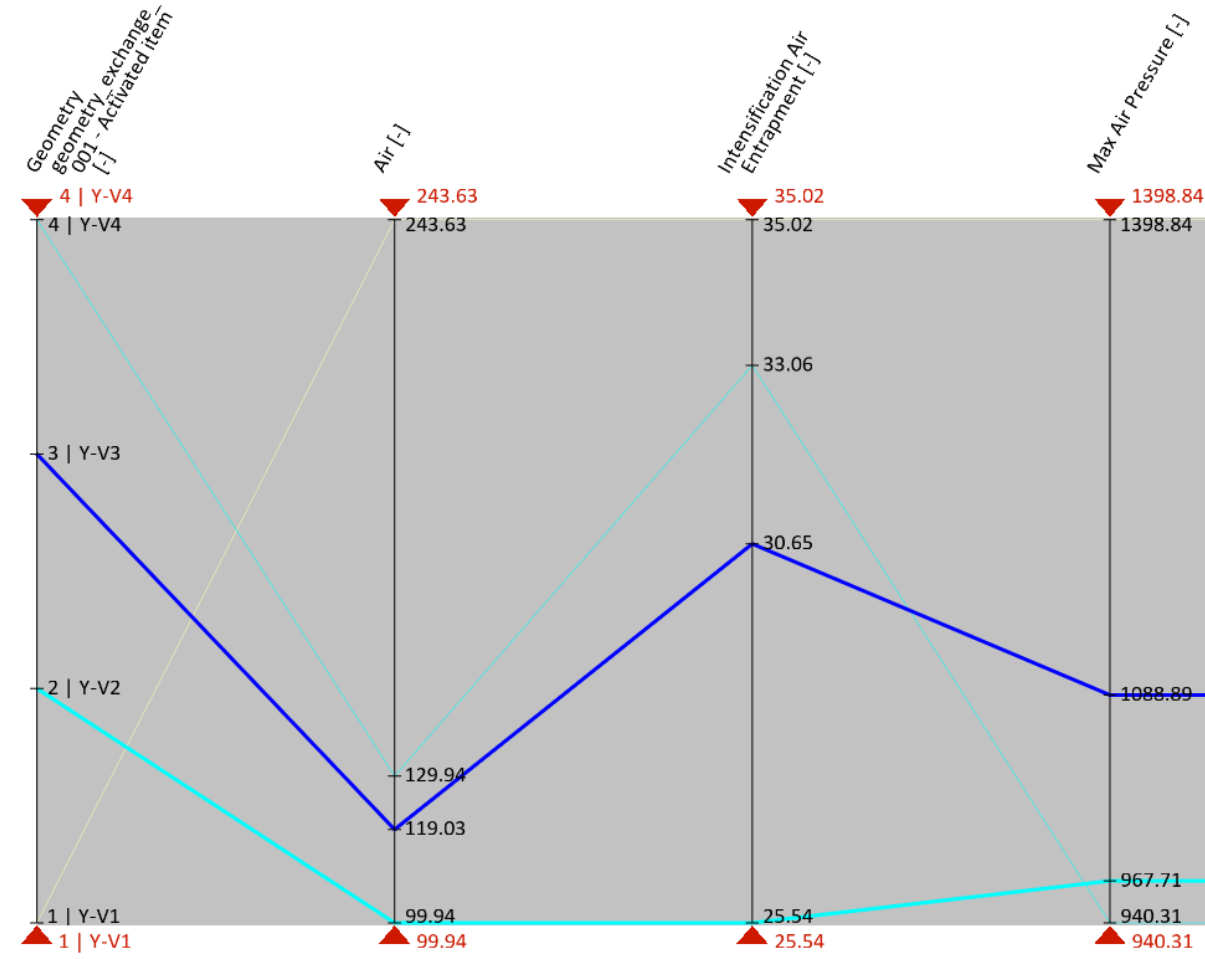
 Objectives			
Name	Type	Value	Expression
Reduce Air Pressure	Minimize ▾		{Cycle 5/Filling/Max Air Pressure/End of Filling/Max/Casting All IDs}
Air	Minimize ▾		{Cycle 5/Filling/Air/End of Filling/Max/Casting All IDs}
Intensification Air Entrapment	Minimize ▾		{Cycle 5/Filling/Intensification Air Entrapment/Max/Casting All IDs}
Max Air Pressure	Minimize ▾		{Cycle 5/Filling/Max Air Pressure/End of Filling/Max/Casting All IDs}

Design	Geometry geom...	Air (-)	Intensification Ai...	Max Air Pressure...	Reduce Air Press...
Design 2	2   Y-V2	99.94	25.54	967.71	967.71
Design 4	4   Y-V4	129.94	33.06	940.31	940.31
Design 3	3   Y-V3	119.03	30.65	1088.89	1088.89
Design 1	1   Y-V1	243.63	35.02	1398.84	1398.84





# Geometry Exchange Optimization



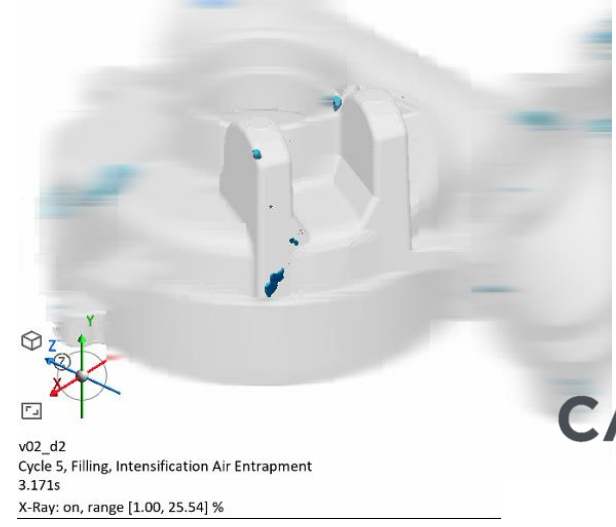
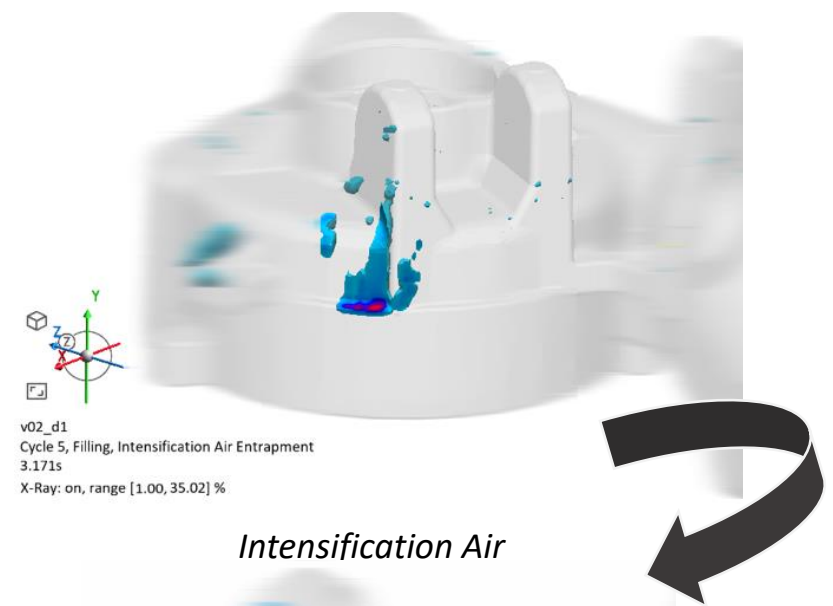
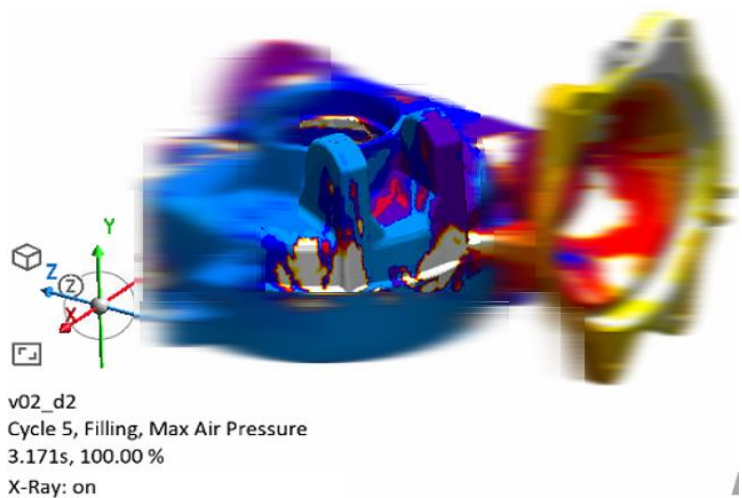
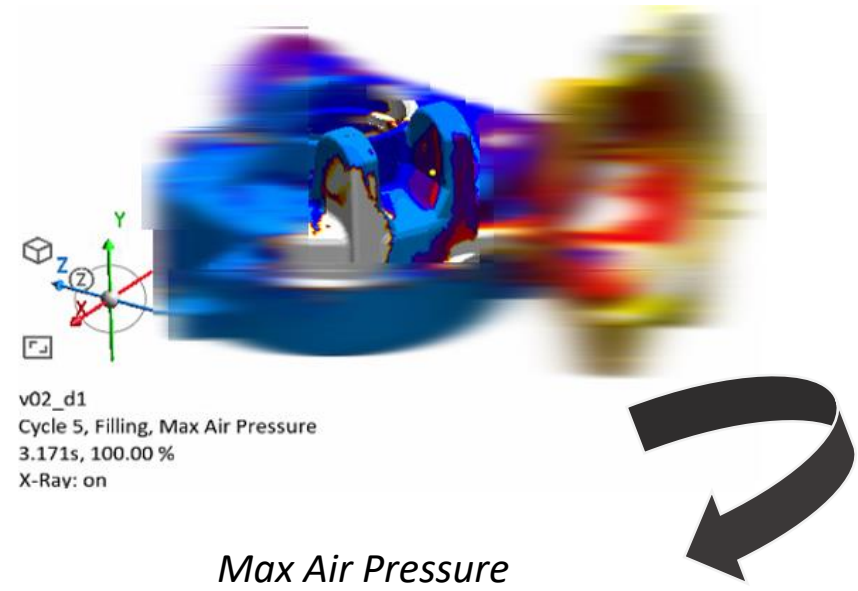
Selected Design(s): 2;3



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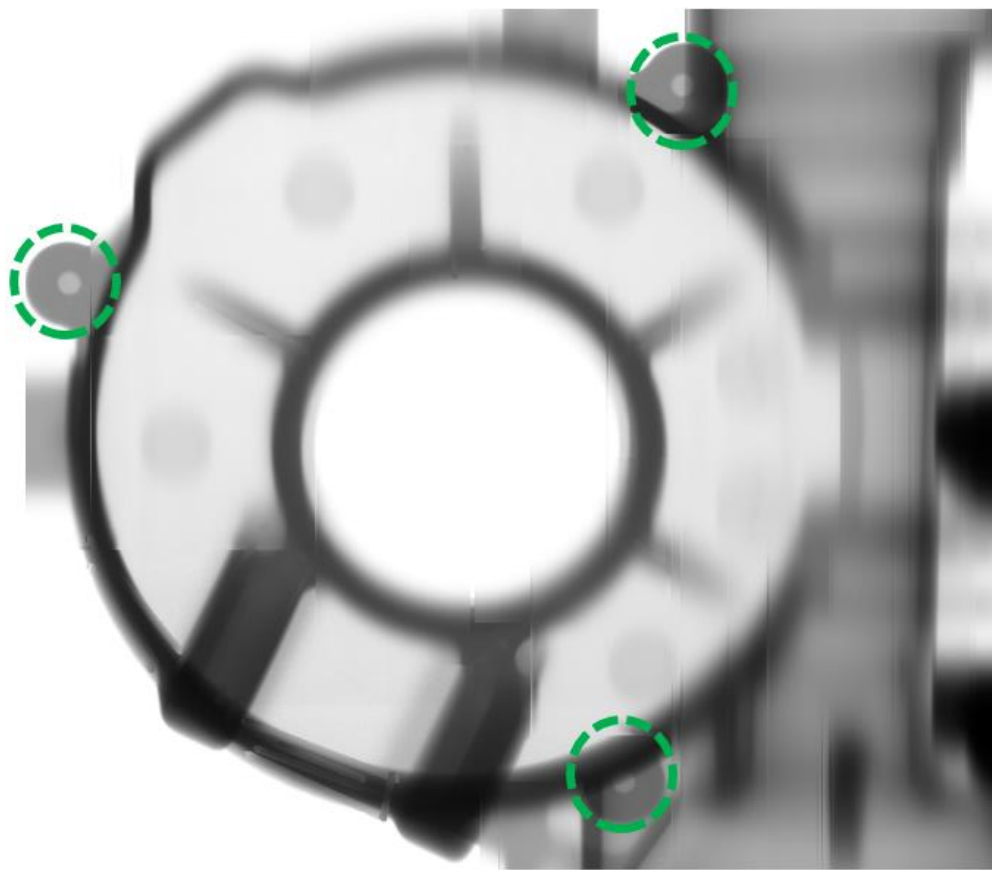
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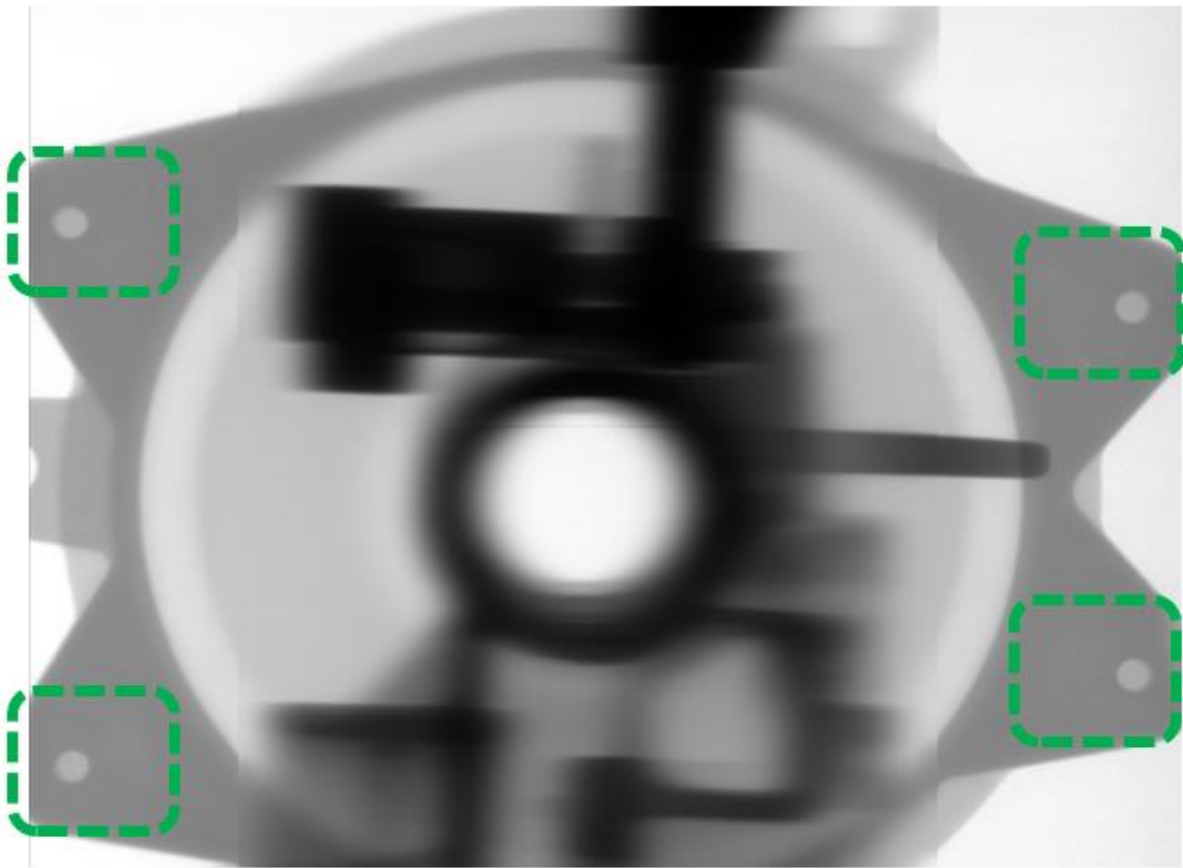




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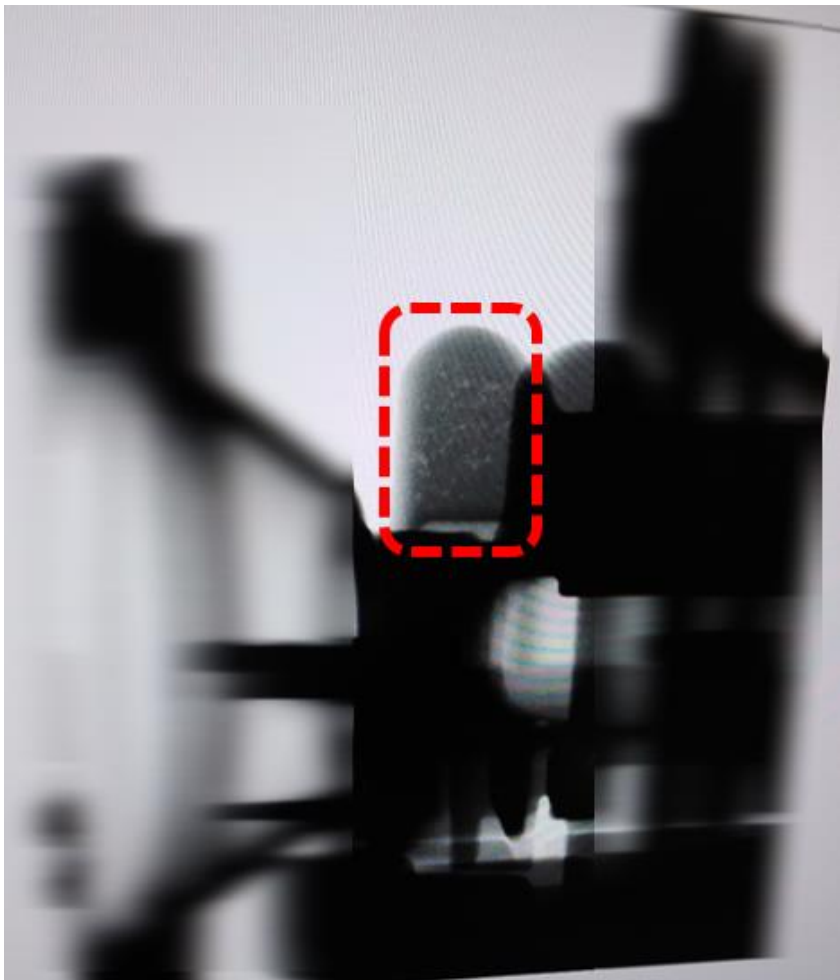
*X-ray Result after 'pre hole' addition.*



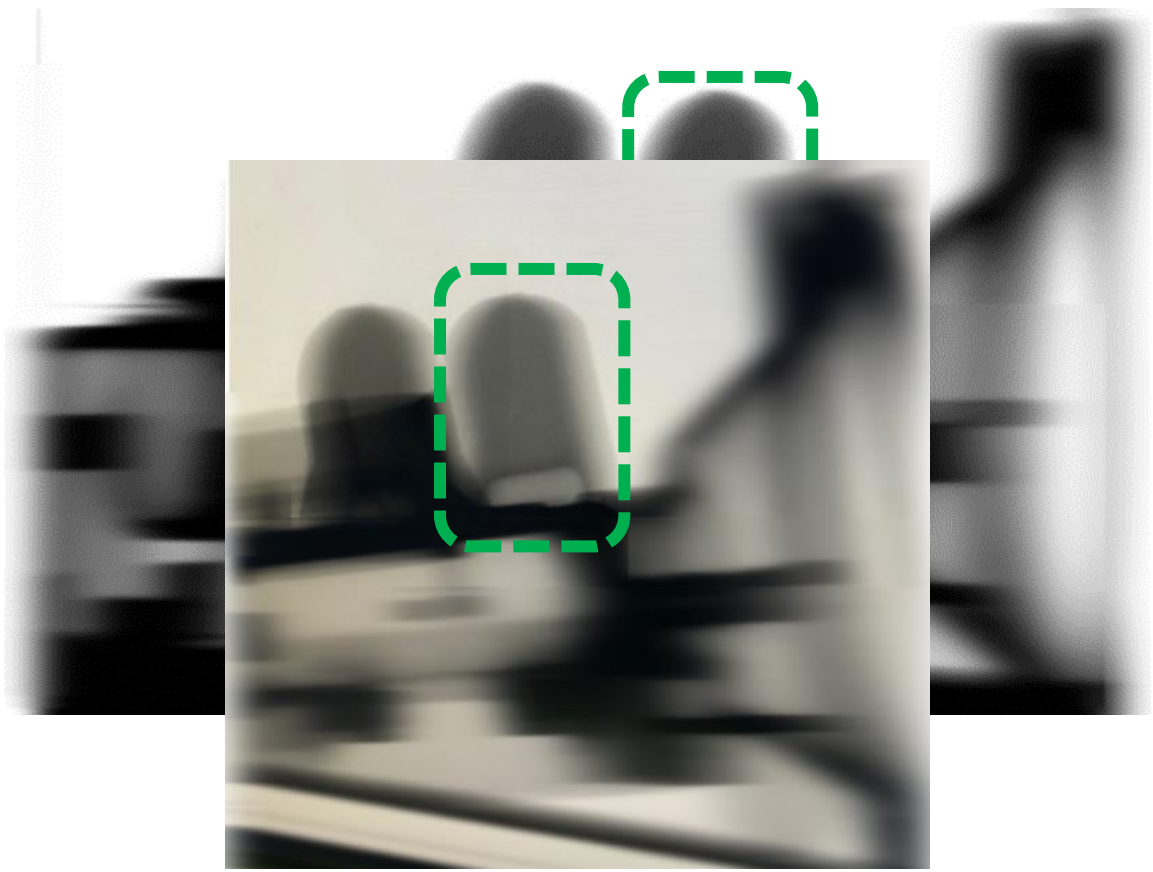
*X-ray Result after 'pre hole' and 'jet cool' addition.*



# X-Ray Result



*Before*



*After*

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## Machining Result



*Before*



*After*

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# Conclusions of Studies

*The scrap rate was reduced from 9.2% to 3.7% as a result of the improvements made.*

## Conclusion of the Studies;

- *Production Efficiency Increased* ↑
- *Scrap cost decreased* ↓
- *Scrap rate decreased* ↓
- *Standardization of part quality was achieved.*





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Thank You

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