



## STRUCTURAL WING AND FUSELAGE DESIGN

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# Motivation EXploration of electric Aircraft Concepts and Technologies



Conceptual study for environment-friendly flight

## Goals:

- identify **aircraft concepts** and **enabling technologies** for climate neutral flight
  - propulsion system concepts considering batteries, fuel cells and hydrogen
- expertise from different areas necessary
- wide design space studies of aircraft concepts



- a lower level of detail but high computational efficiency is required for fast overall aircraft design (OAD)
- analytical methods are used for structural sizing – more detailed than empirical handbook methods



# Methods



RCE used for integration of tools in a multidisciplinary workflow for overall aircraft design (OAD)

➤ Remote Component Environment

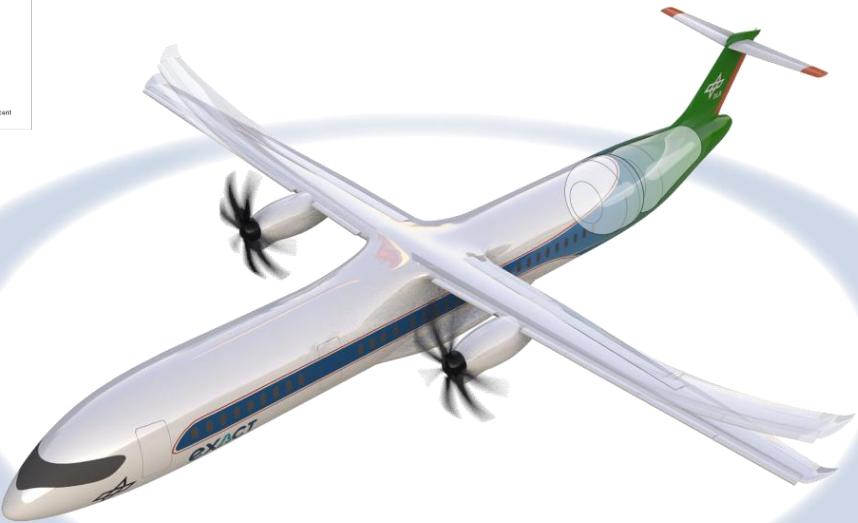
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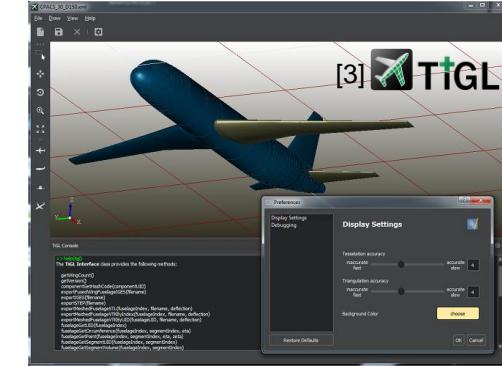
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CPACS used for data exchange between tools

- Common Parametric Aircraft Configuration Schema

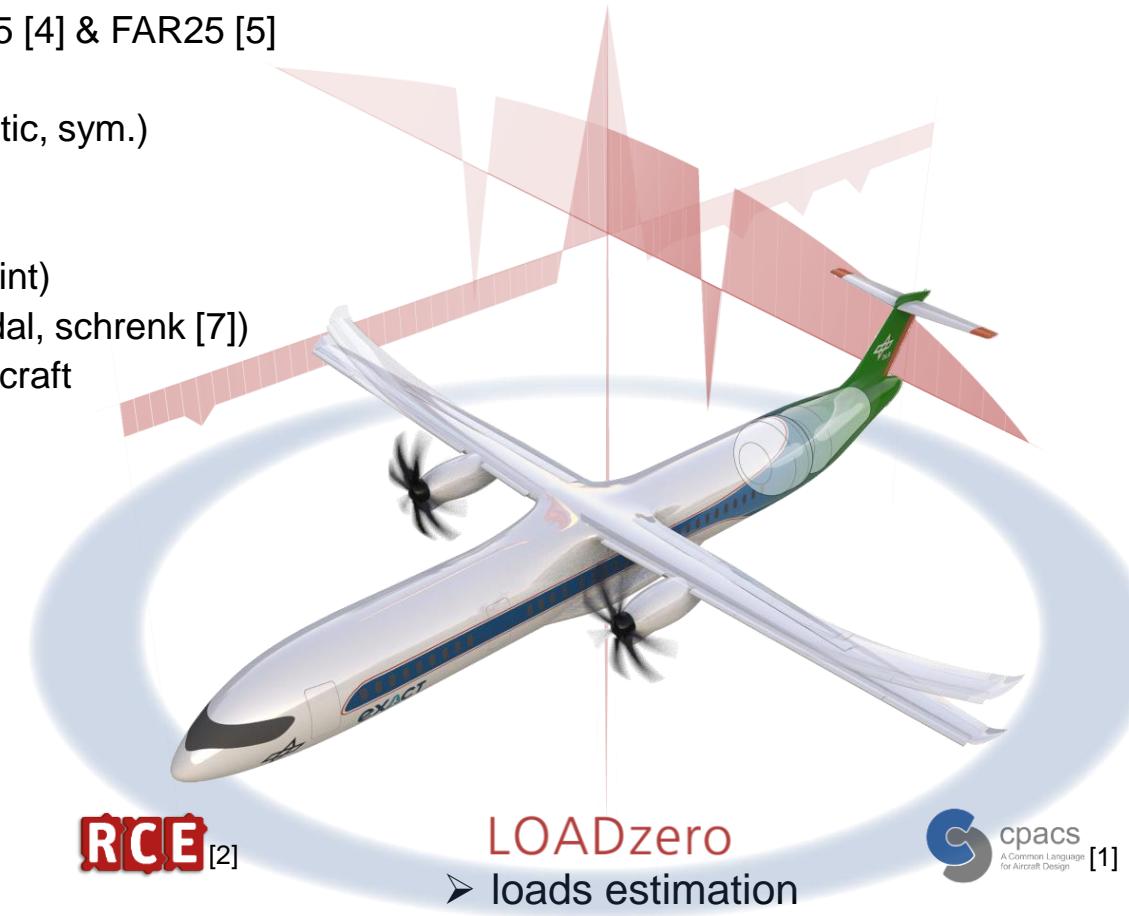
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# Methods



- CPACS minimal input – rigid aircraft
- load cases in accordance to CS25 [4] & FAR25 [5]
  - flight loads
    - manoeuvre (quasi-static, sym.)
    - gust (Pratt [6])
  - ground and landing loads
- mass model (volumetric, area, point)
- lift distribution (elliptical, trapezoidal, schrenk [7])
- load factor and acceleration of aircraft





# Methods



- Gradient-based structural design with flexible configuration options of the optimisation problem





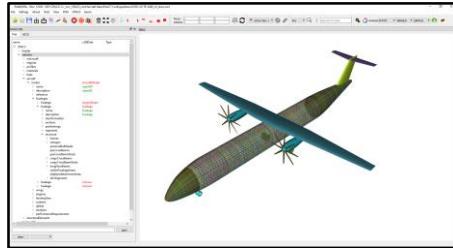
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PArametric Numerical Design and Optimization Routines for Aircraft

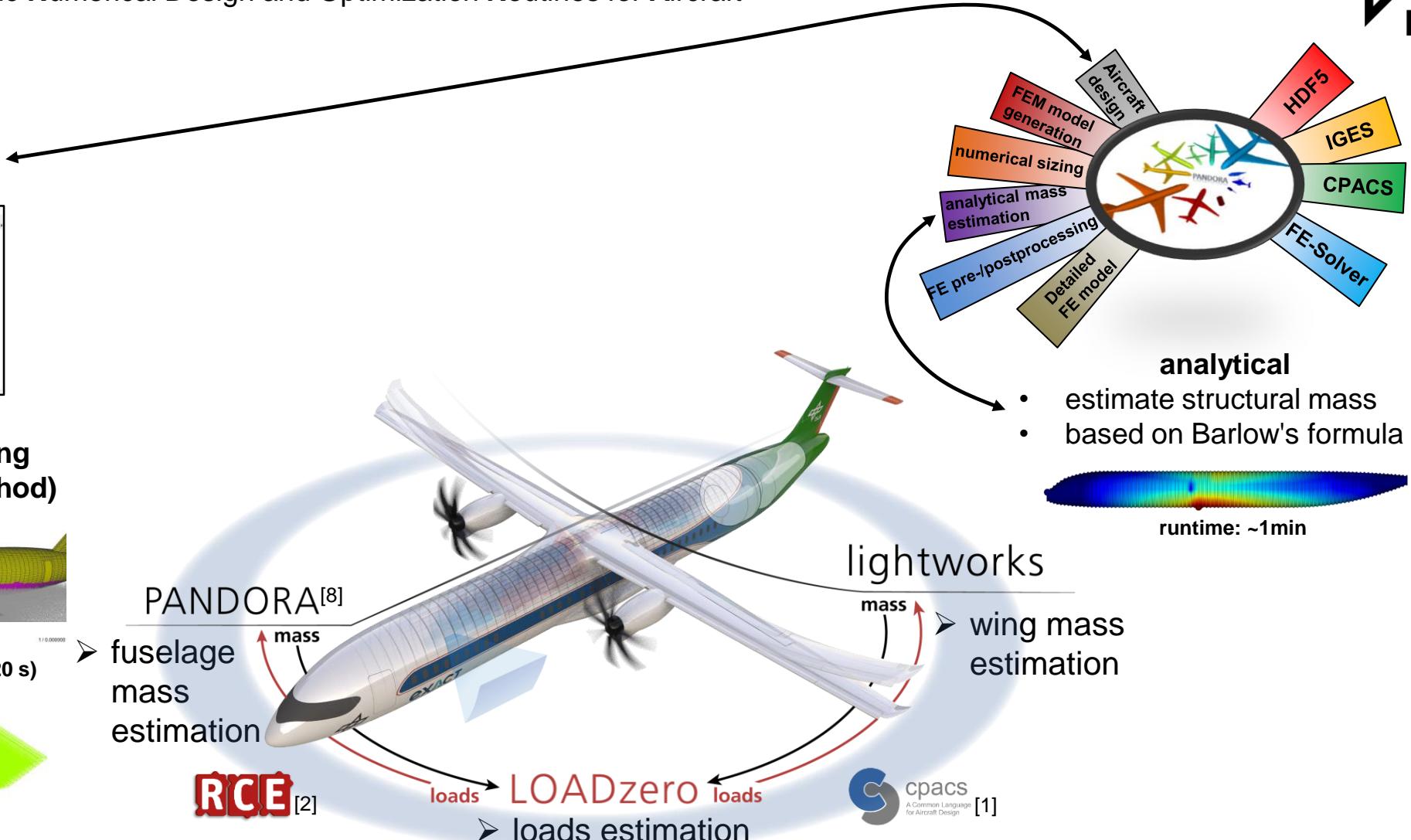
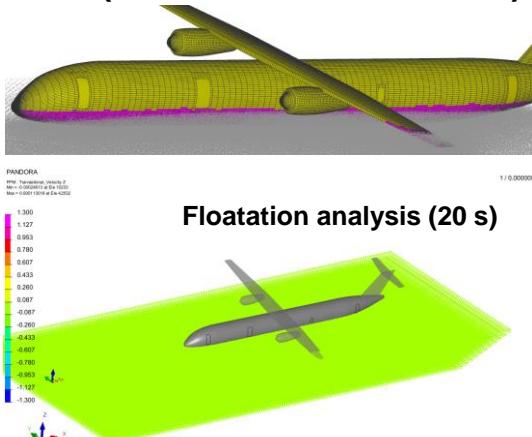


## CPACS

- create aircraft
- define aircraft structure



## Floatation analysis using FPM (Finite Pointset Method)





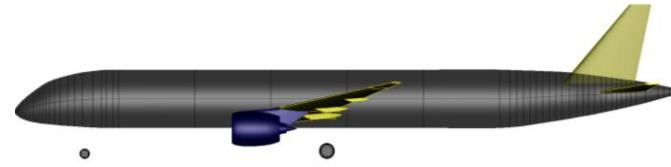
# Configurations short range



- fuel tanks require space with a margin for systems and maintenance
- typical integration of LH<sub>2</sub> tanks in the rear of the fuselage for manageable shifts in centre of gravity i.e. moderate tank size
- volumetric kerosene mass within wing due to LH<sub>2</sub> is absent

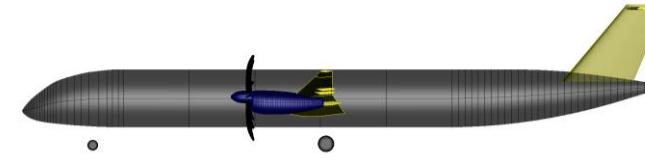
	short range
Design range [NM]	1500
Design PAX	250
Entry Into Service	2040

## ▪ Turbofan SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene



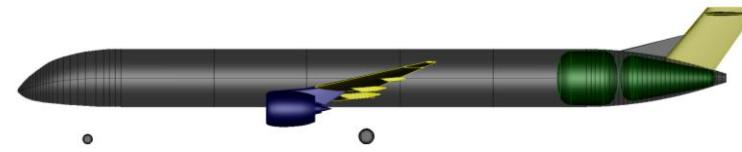
OEM: 47.7 t  
MTOM: 80.83 t  
Fuselage length: 46.85 m

## ▪ Turboprop SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene



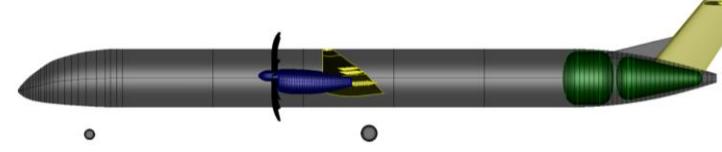
OEM: 44.9 t  
MTOM: 75.99 t  
Fuselage length: 45.19 m

## ▪ Turbofan Mild-Hybrid LH<sub>2</sub>



OEM: 55.3 t  
MTOM: 82.58 t  
Fuselage length: 50.57 m

## ▪ Turboprop Mild-Hybrid LH<sub>2</sub>



OEM: 51.0 t  
MTOM: 77.60 t  
Fuselage length: 49.38 m

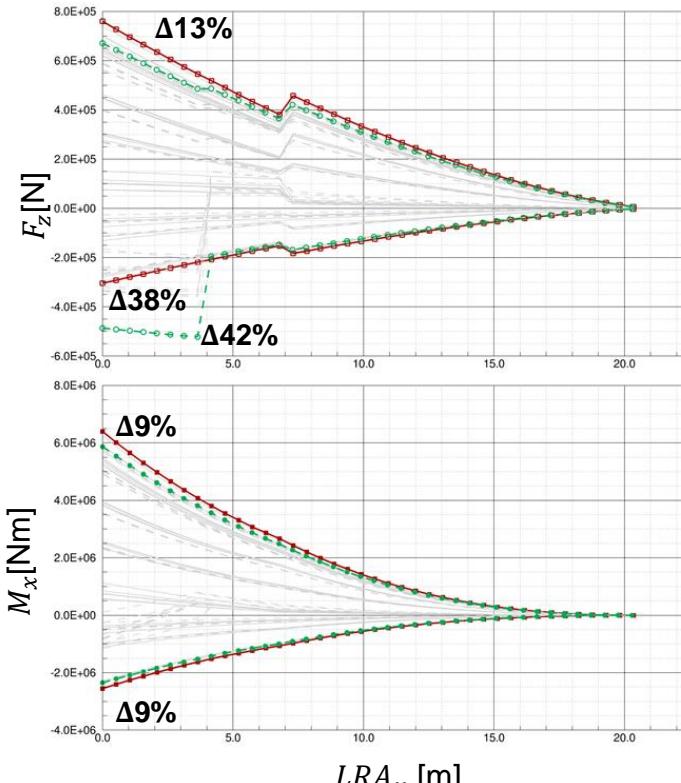
- How does the conceptual loads and mass estimation change when LH<sub>2</sub> is used?



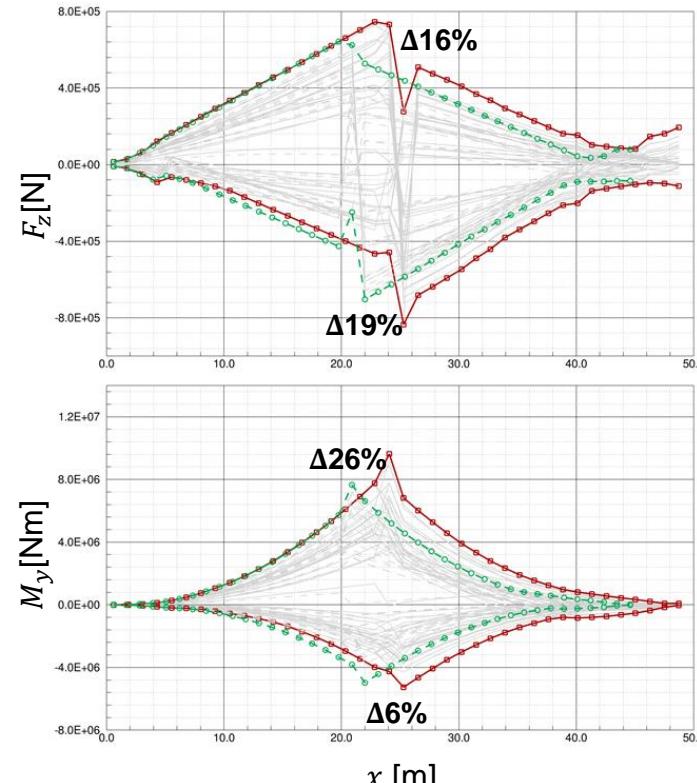
# Assessment of loads, wing and fuselage mass Comparison Turboprop



## wing loads comparison



## fuselage loads comparison

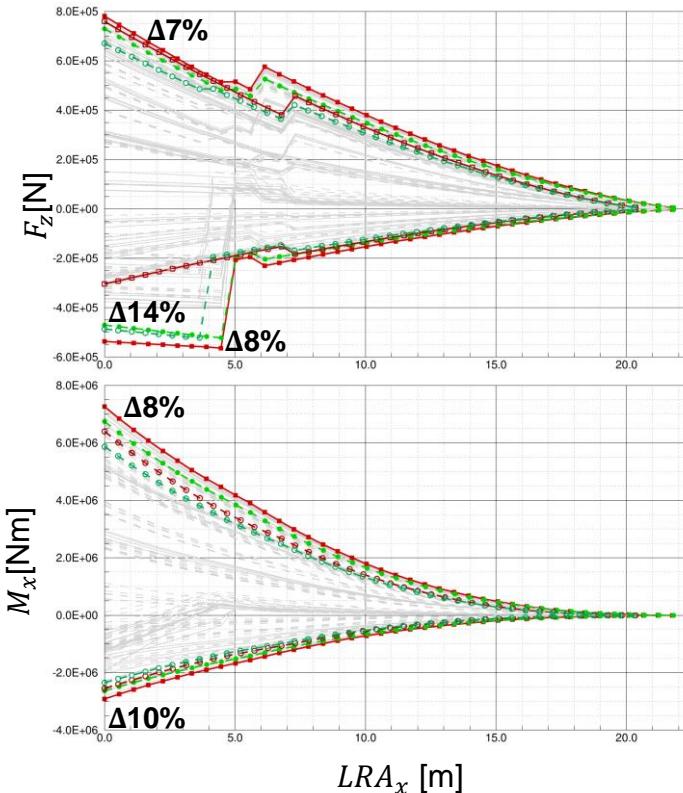




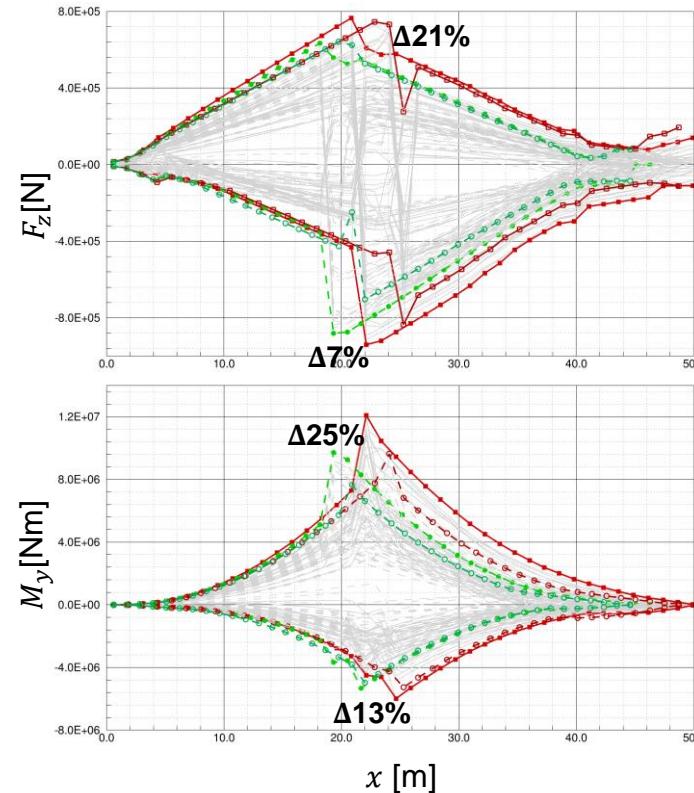
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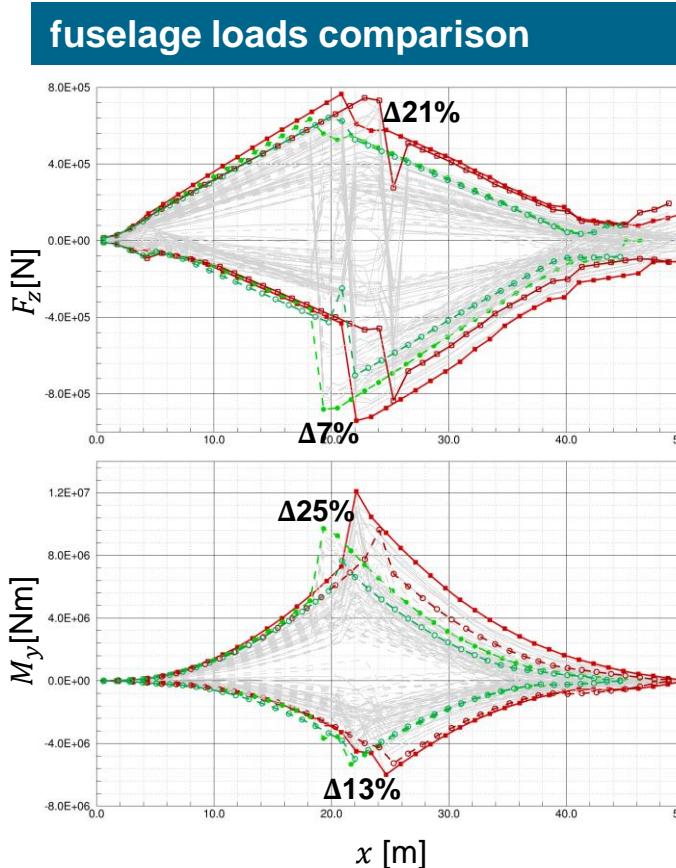
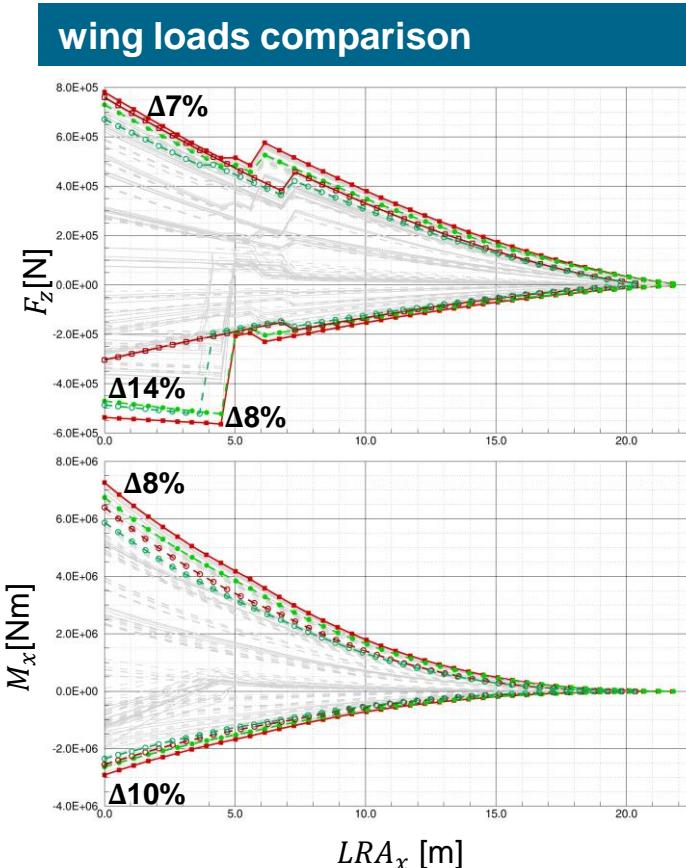
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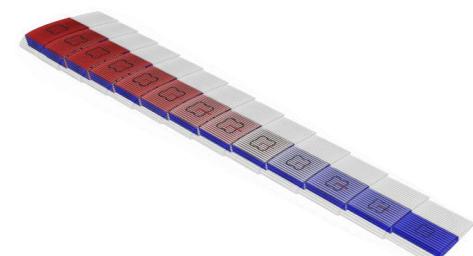


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## Comparison wing mass



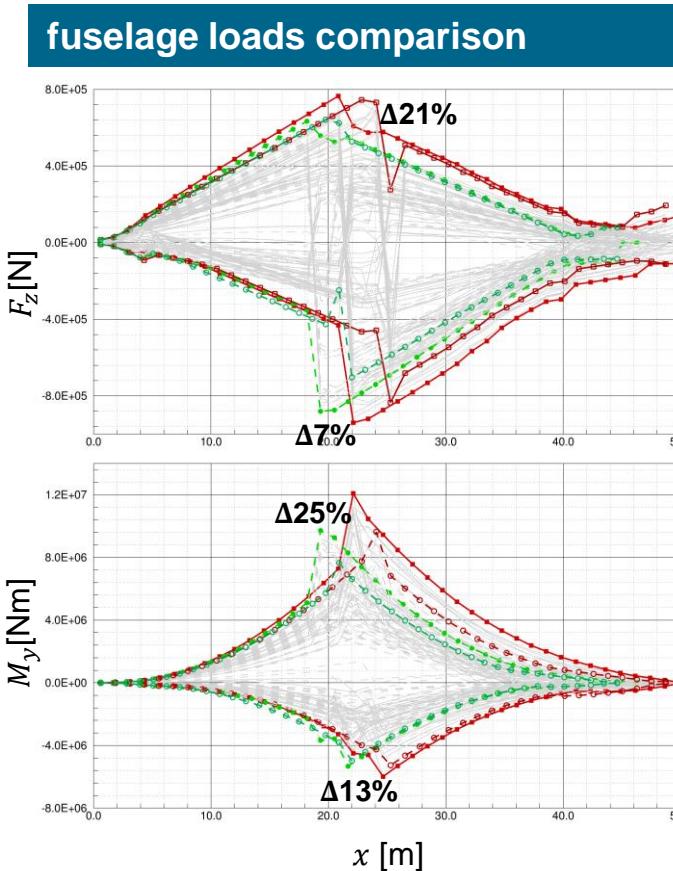
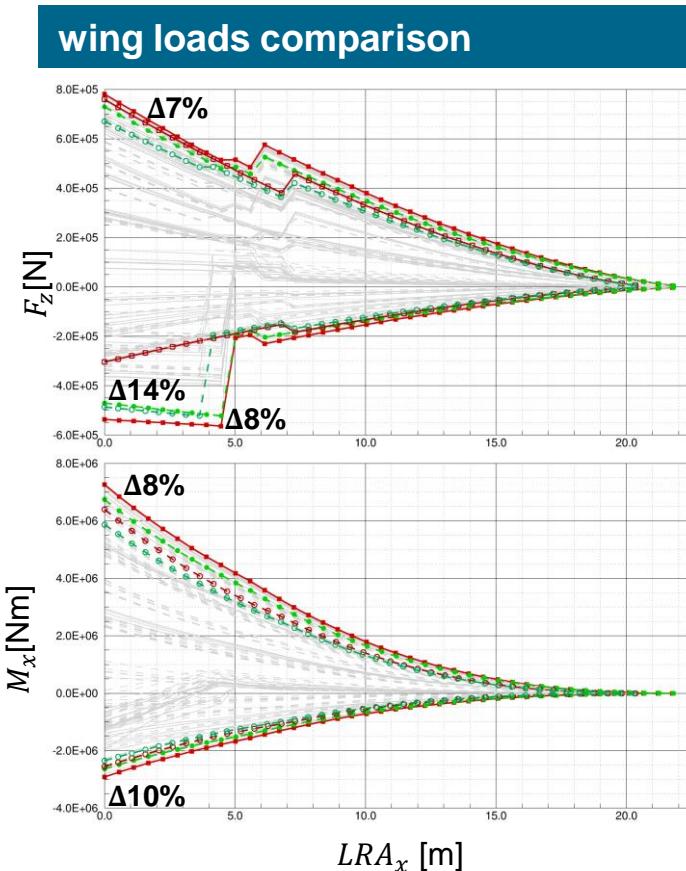
Aircraft	wing mass [kg]
Turboprop Mild-Hybrid LH2	7127.6
Turboprop SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene	7001.7
Comparison TP	1.8%
Turbofan Mild-Hybrid LH2	8981.4
Turbofan SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene	8477.4
Comparison TF	6.0%



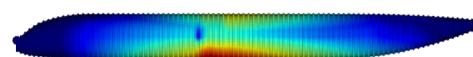


# Assessment of loads, wing and fuselage mass

## Comparison fuselage mass



Aircraft	fuselage mass [kg]
Turboprop Mild-Hybrid LH2	13399.7
Turboprop SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene	12220.0
Comparison TP	9.7%
Turbofan Mild-Hybrid LH2	13865.3
Turbofan SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene	12636.1
Comparison TF	9.7%

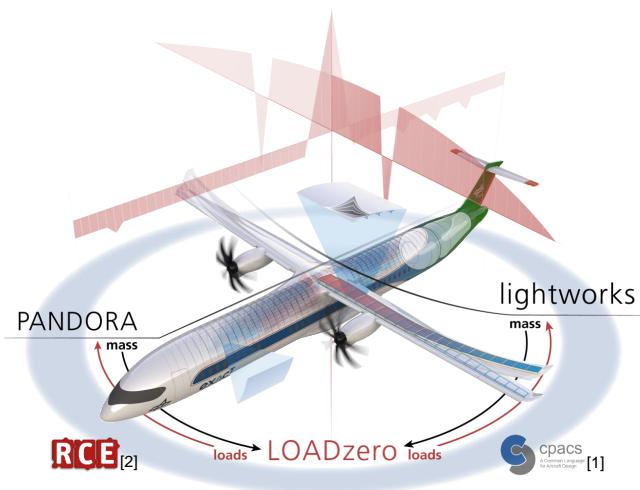




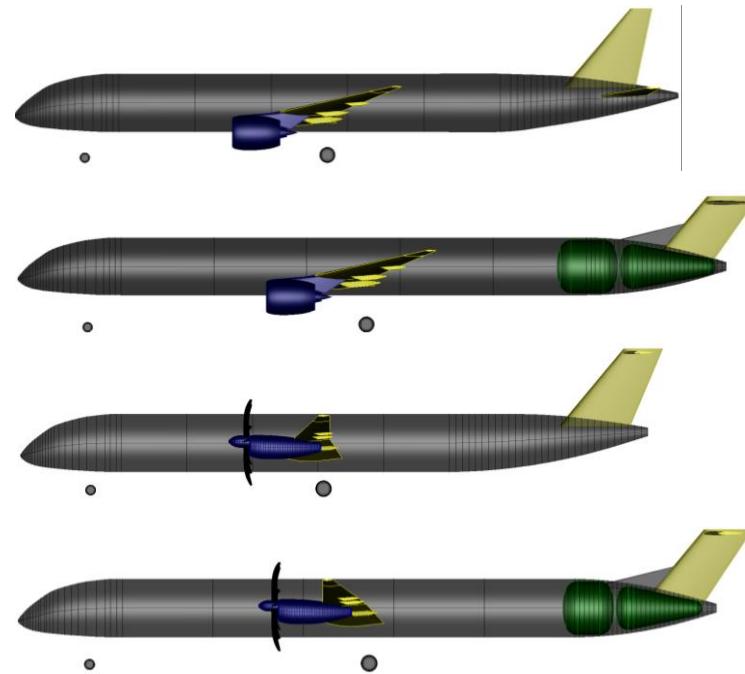
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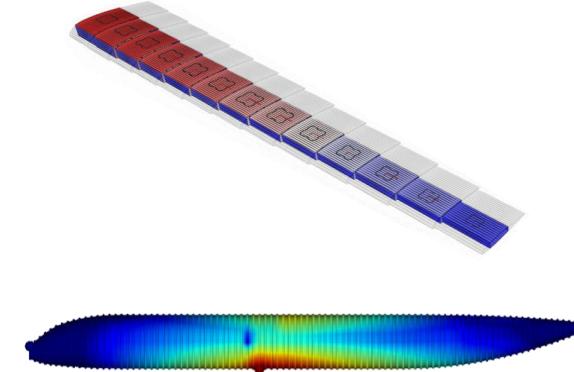
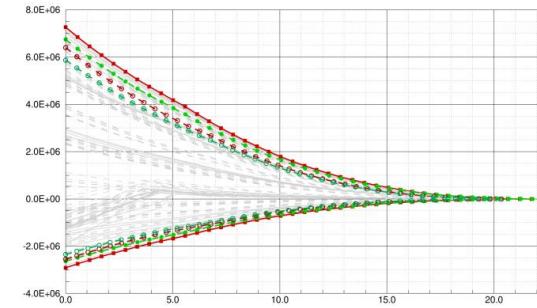
## methods



## configurations



## results



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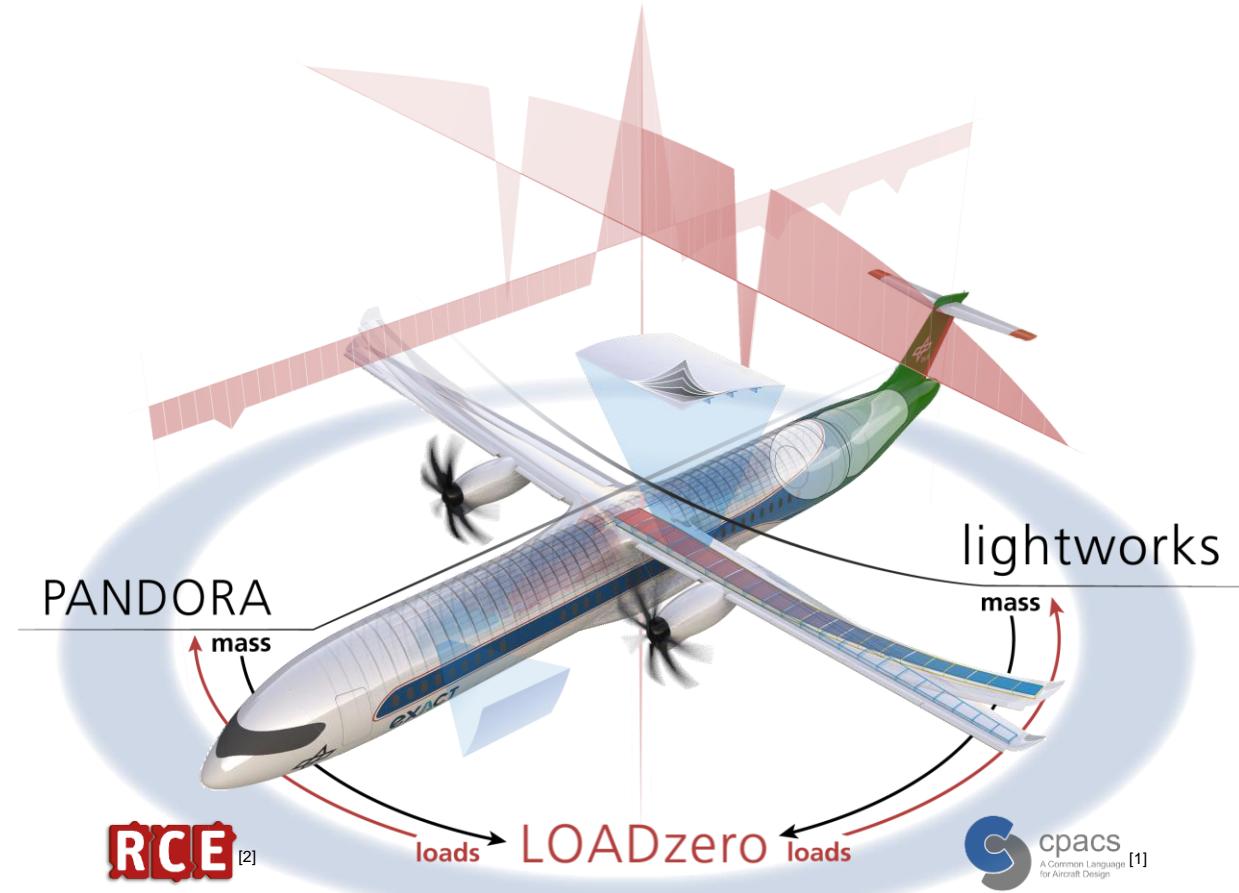
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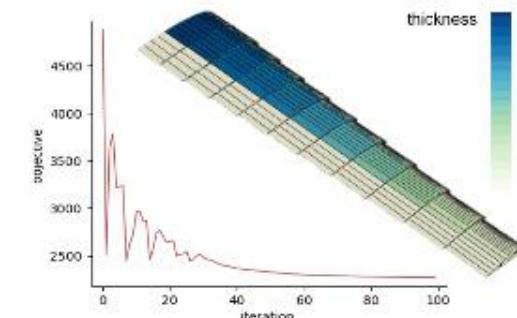
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# Assessment of wing mass



Aircraft	Turbofan SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene	Turbofan Mild-Hybrid LH2	Comparison
span	42	42	0%
area	220	232	5.5%
wing mass	8477.4	8981.4	6.0%
wingbox mass	5074.5	5290.7	4.3%
ribs mass	440.6	478.1	8.5%
shells mass	3941.9	4077.6	3.4%
spars mass	691.9	735.0	6.2%





# Assessment of fuselage mass



Aircraft	Turbofan SynFuel / Fossil Kerosene	Turbofan Mild-Hybrid LH2	Comparison
length	46.85m	50.57m	7.9%
mass	12636.1	13865.3	9.7%
mass / length	269.7 kg/m	274.18 kg/m	1.6%
struc mass	6650.9	8076.0	21.4%
bulkhead mass	194.4	356.4	83.3%
skin panels mass	3834.8	4613.5	20.3%
stringers mass	1917.4	2306.7	20.3%
frames mass	704.3	799.4	13.5%

