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Value-driven Optimization Campaign Addressing Manufacturing, Supply Chain and Overall Aircraft Design Domains in the Early Development Stage

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Research Objective



Identify the “*Optimum Solution*” Accounting Simultaneously for Manufacturing, Supply Chain & Aircraft Design Variables



Formulation

Methodology to perform
MDO Campaign

Results

Optimum Solution for the Design, Manufacturing
and Supply Chain of Horizontal Tail Plane



**Value-driven
Multi-Domains Optimization (MDO)
Campaign**

Implementation

Models & Tools to perform
MDO Campaign

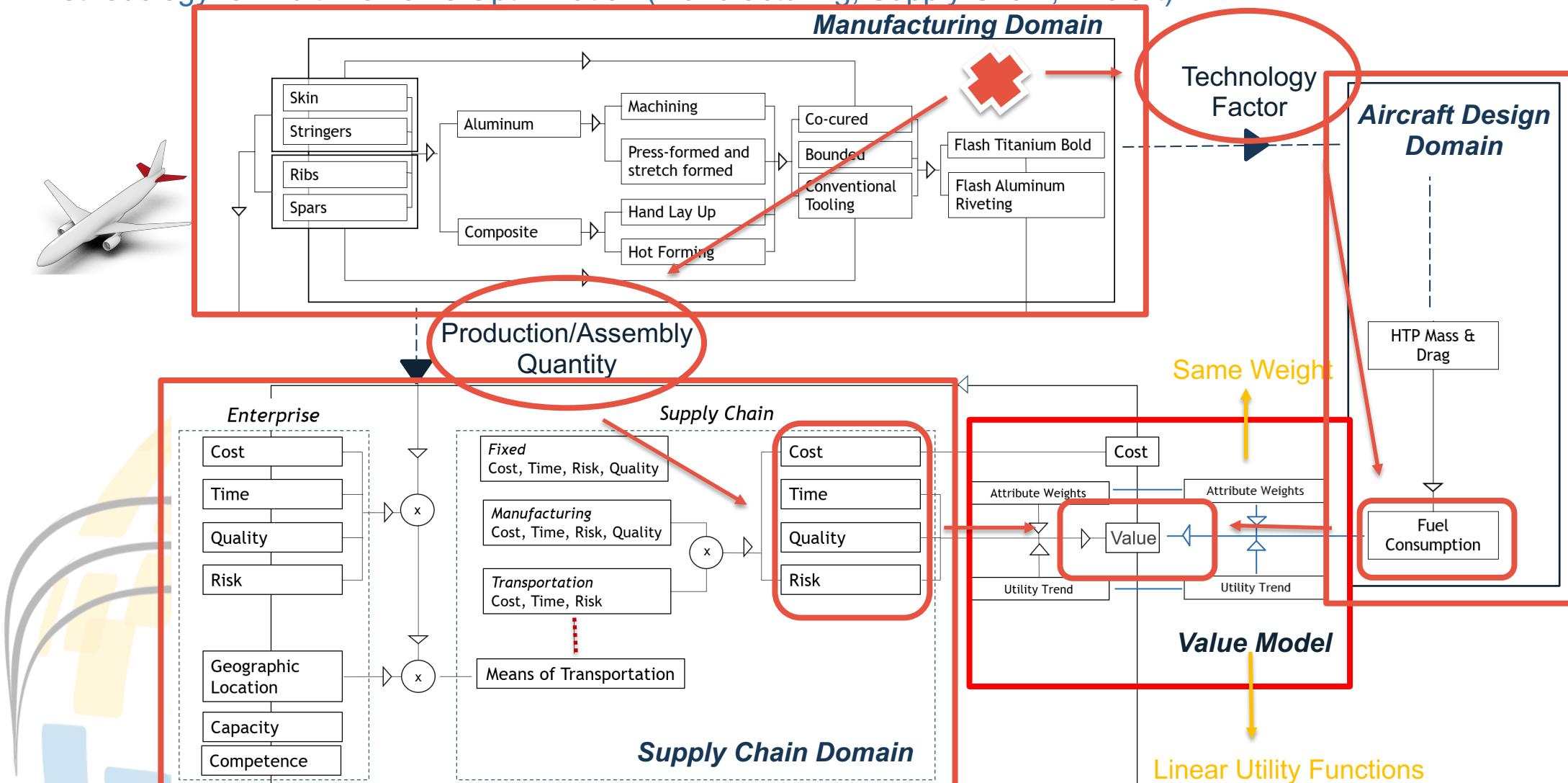
Conclusion & Further Activities

Key Fundings & Way
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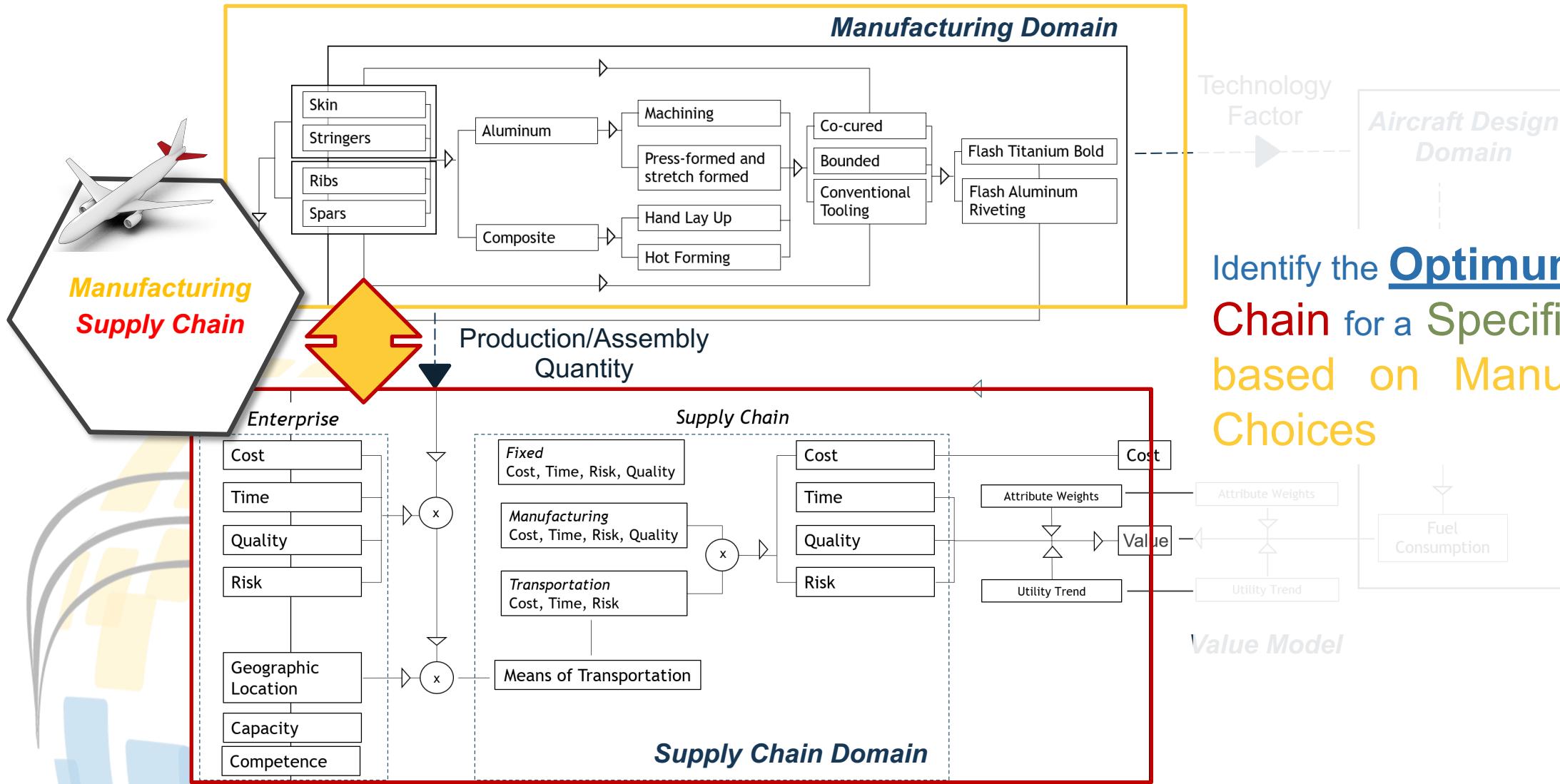
Methodology for Multi Domains Optimization (Manufacturing, Supply Chain, Aircraft)



Identify the **Optimum** Solution considering **Manufacturing, Supply Chain, Aircraft Domains** Simultaneously

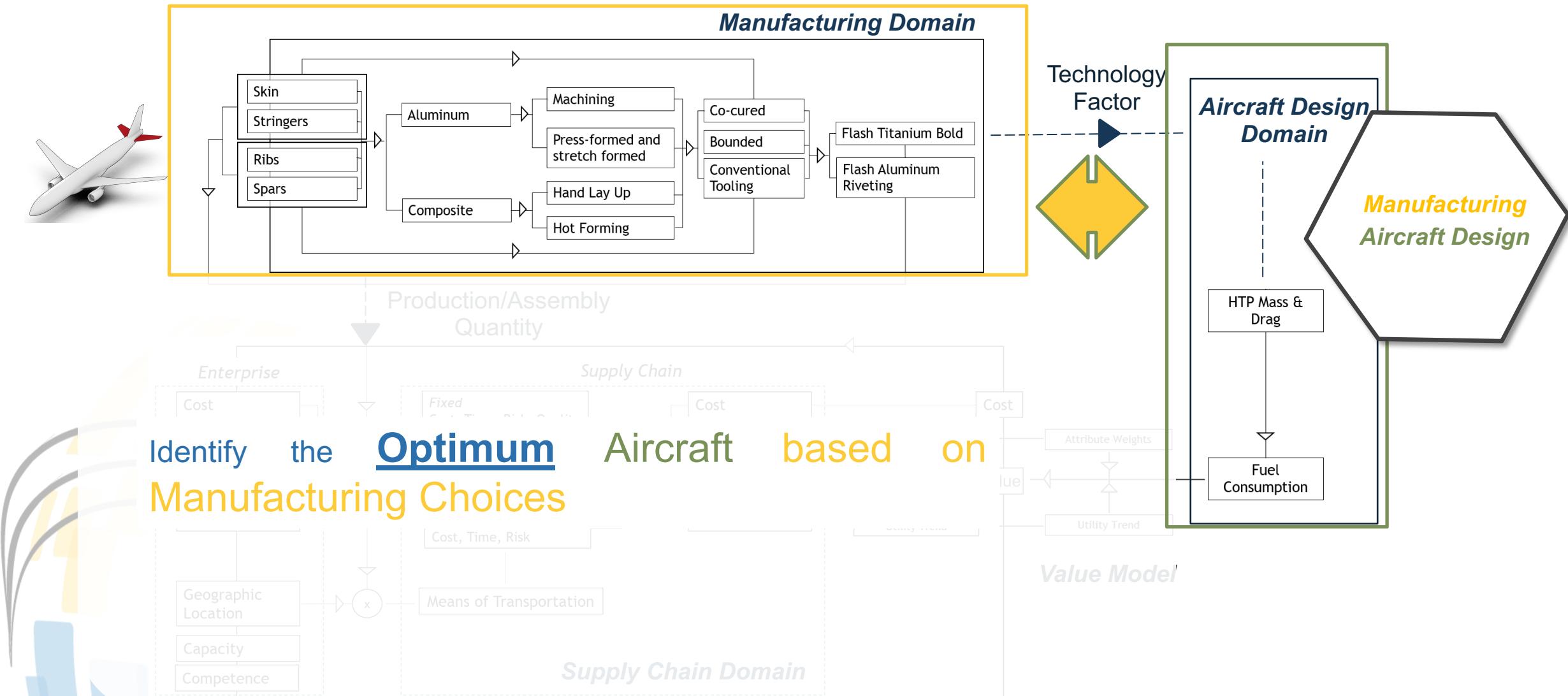
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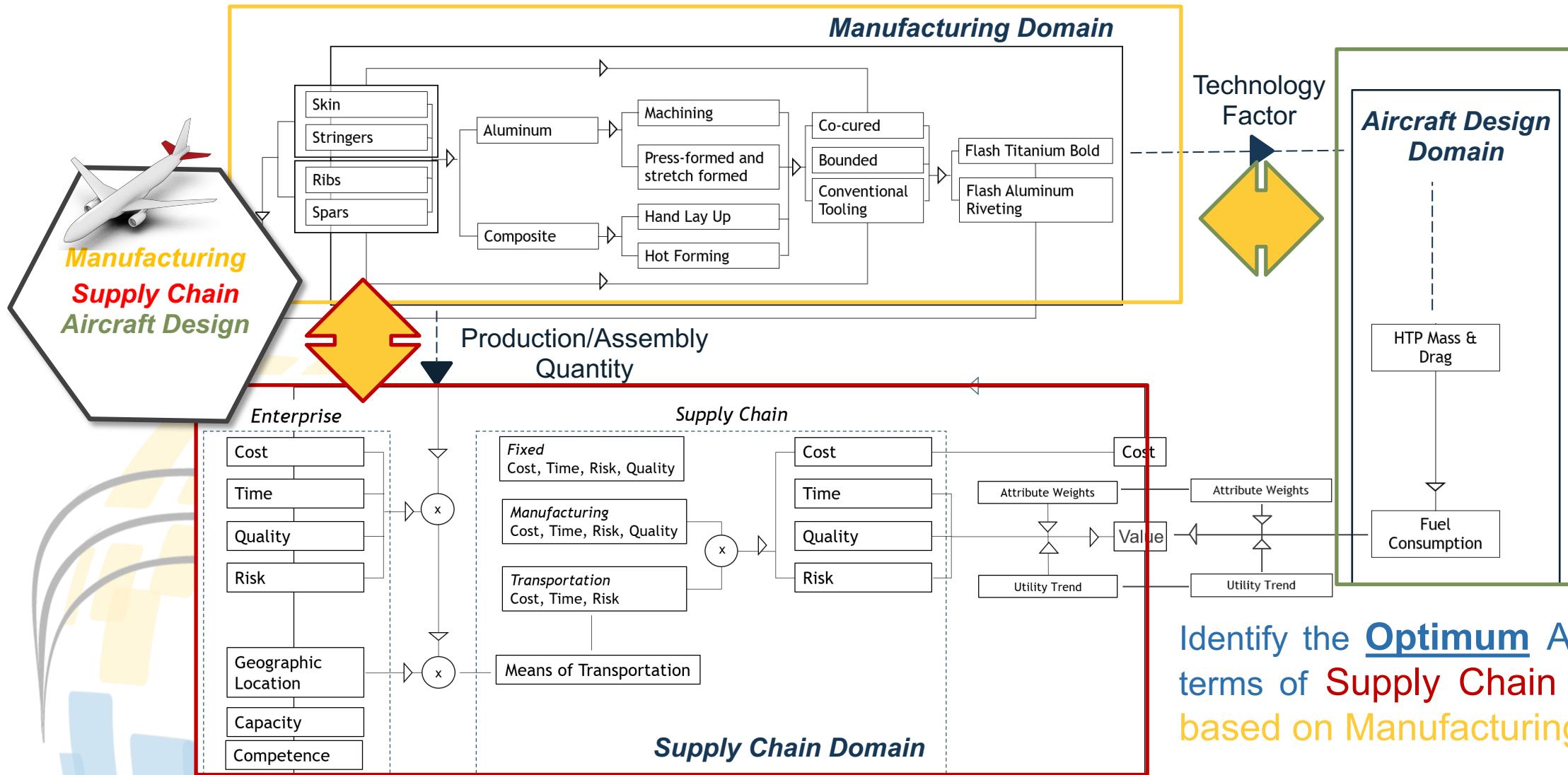
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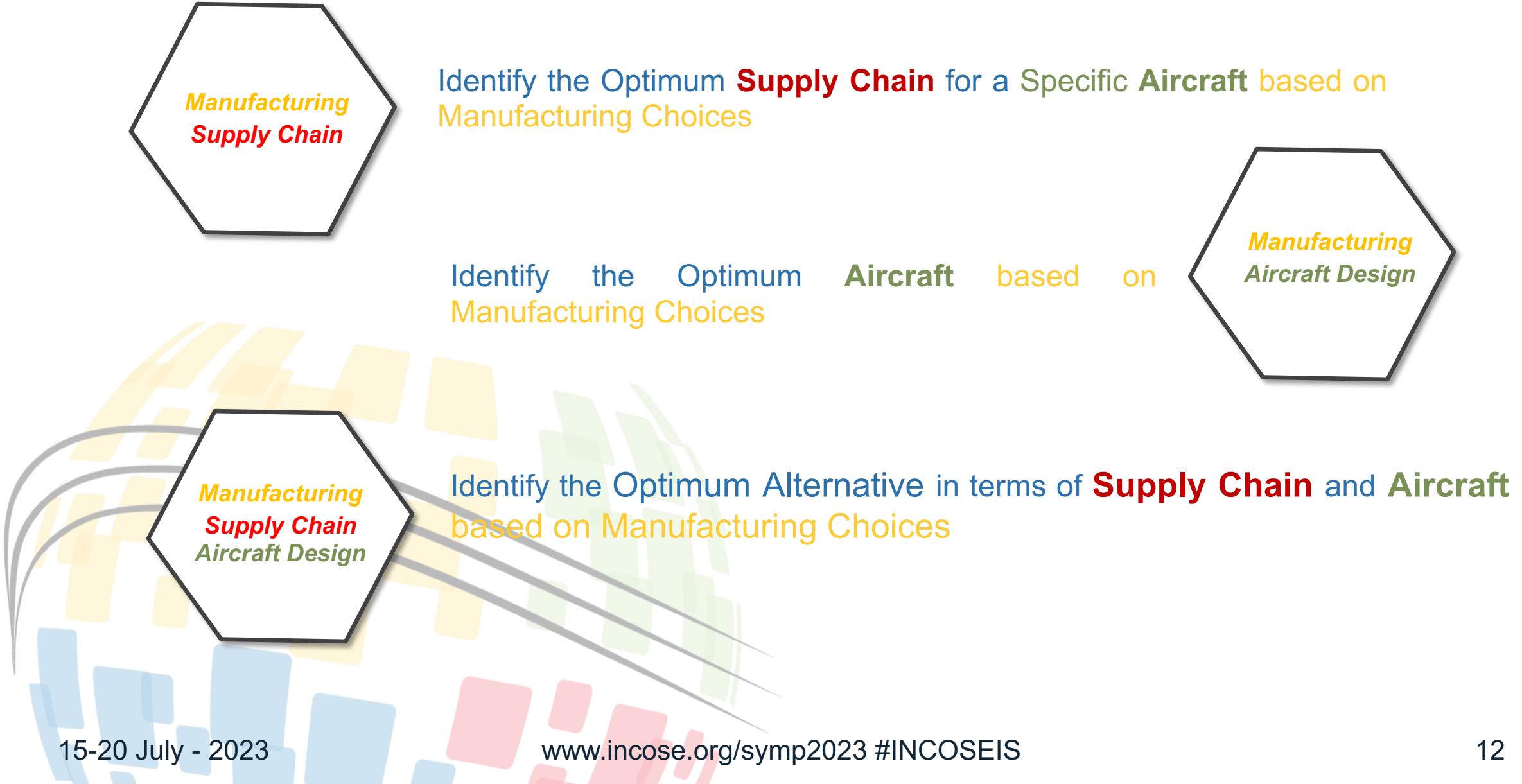


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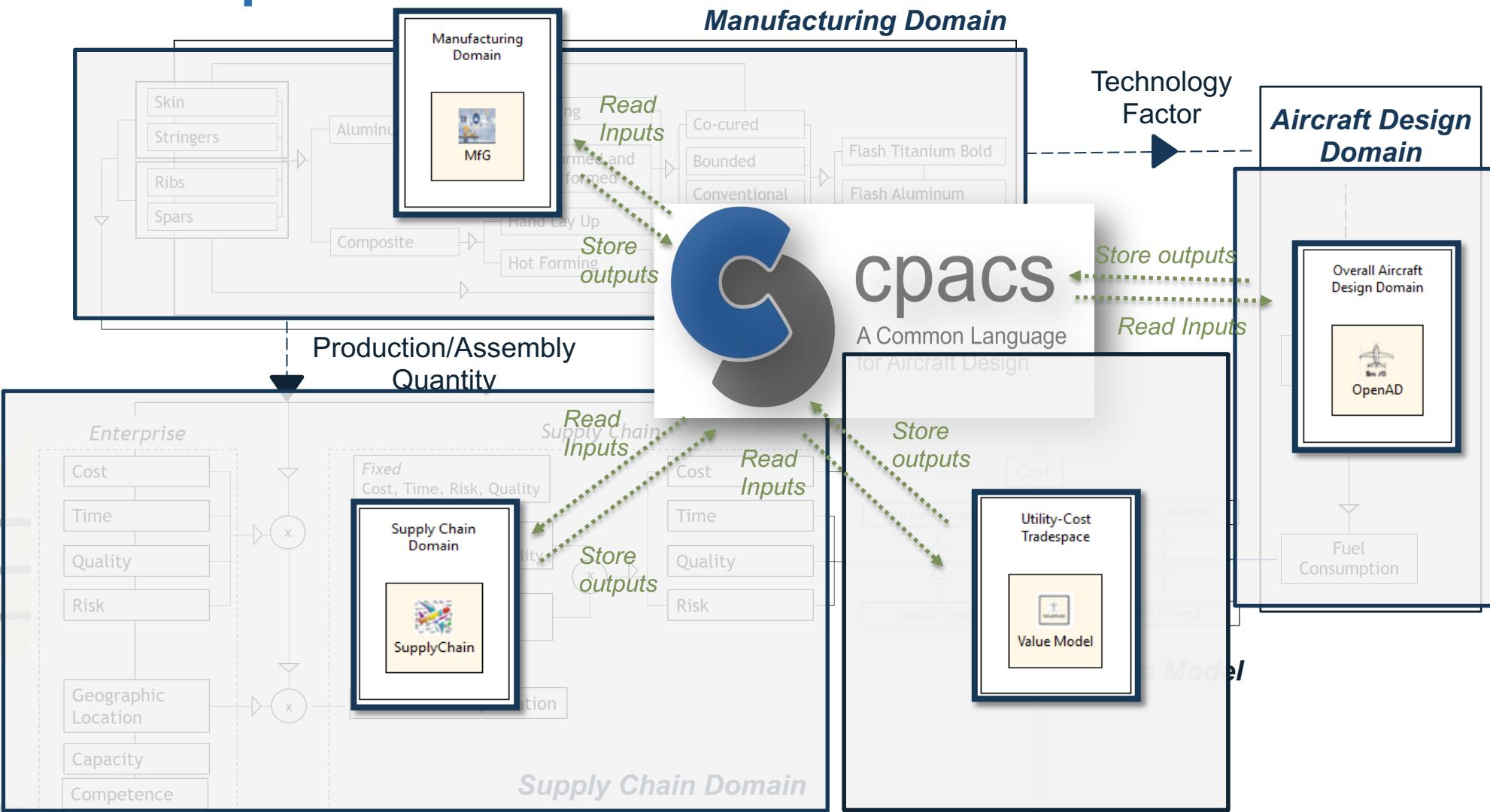
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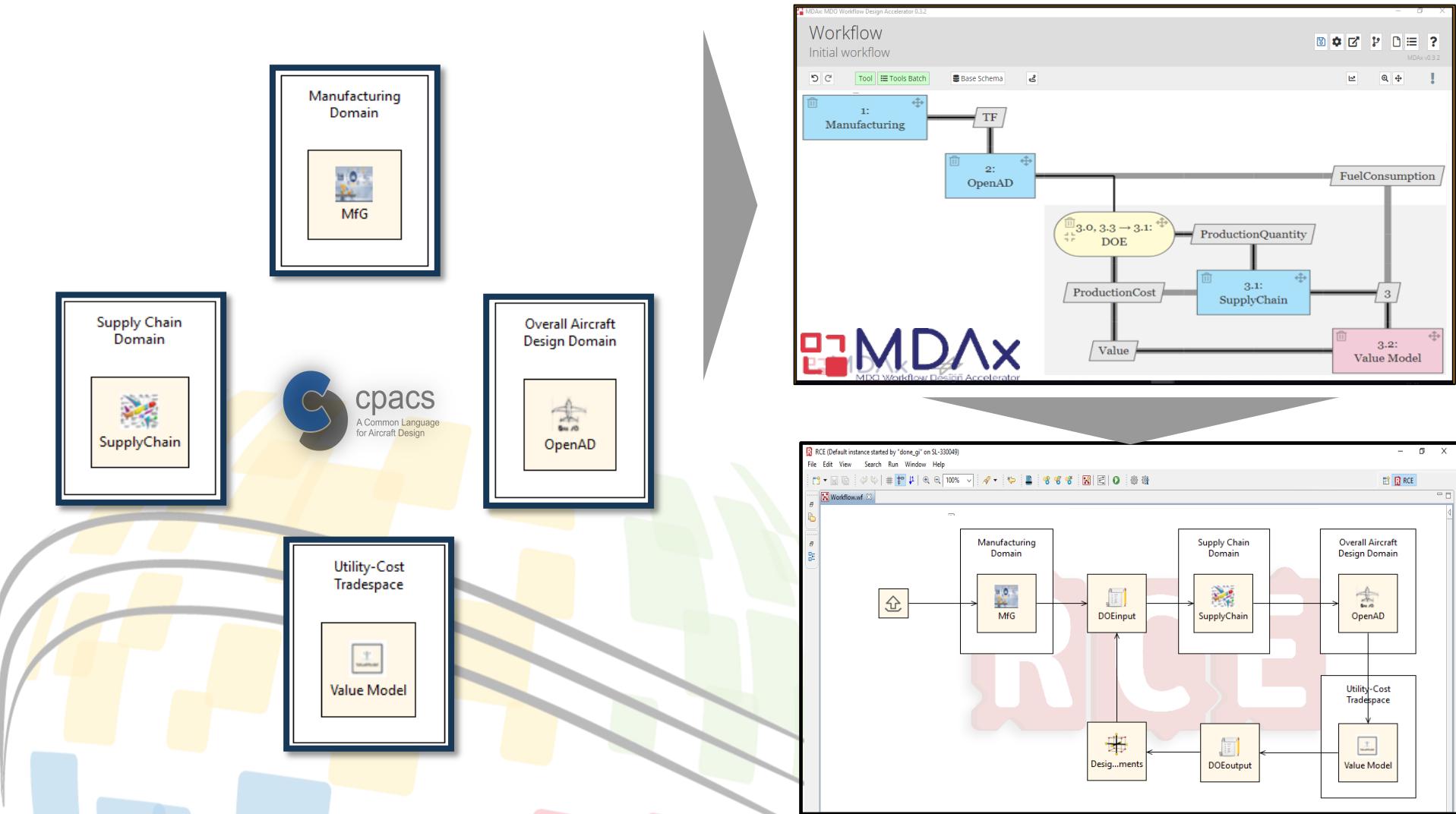
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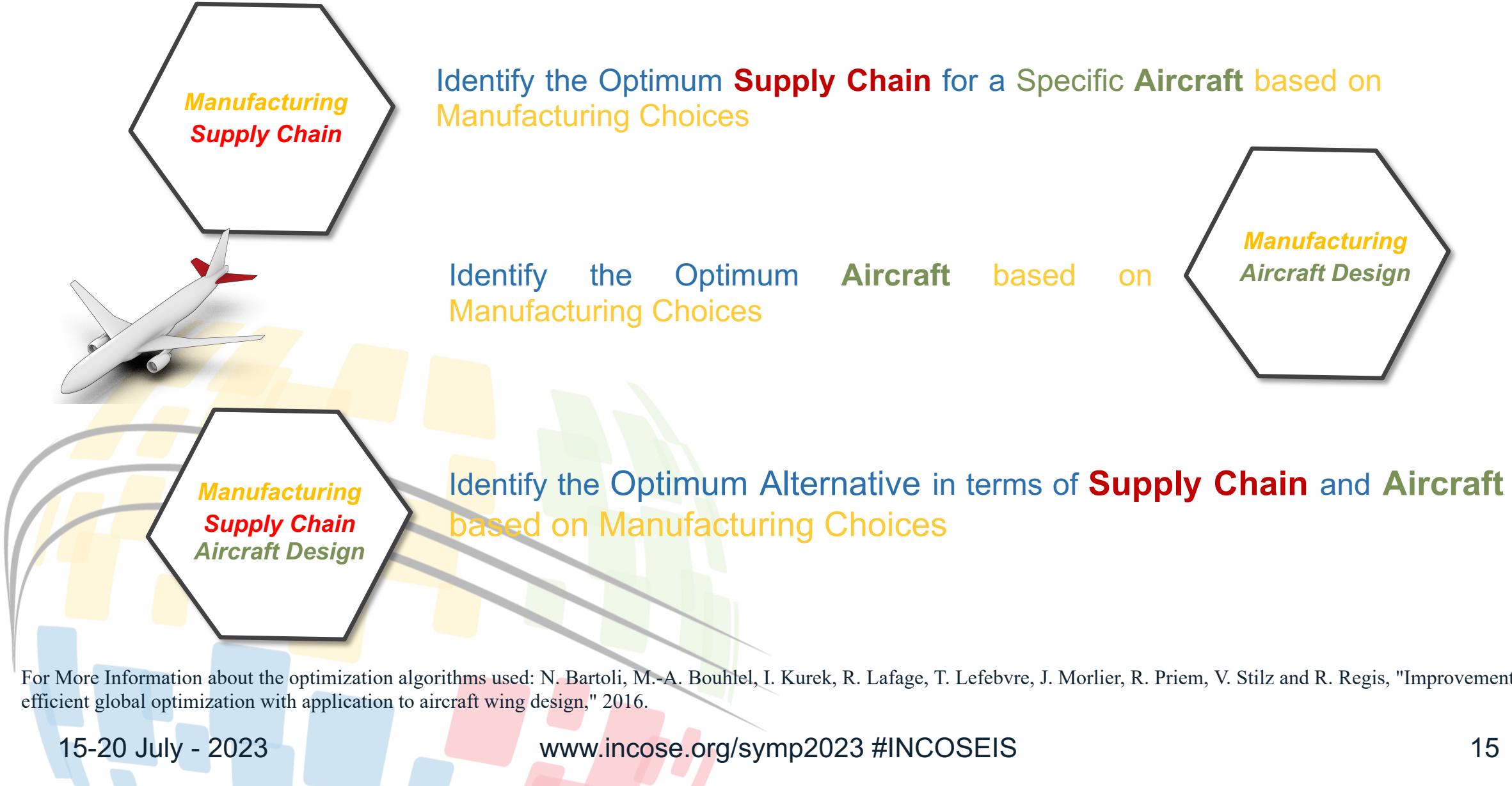


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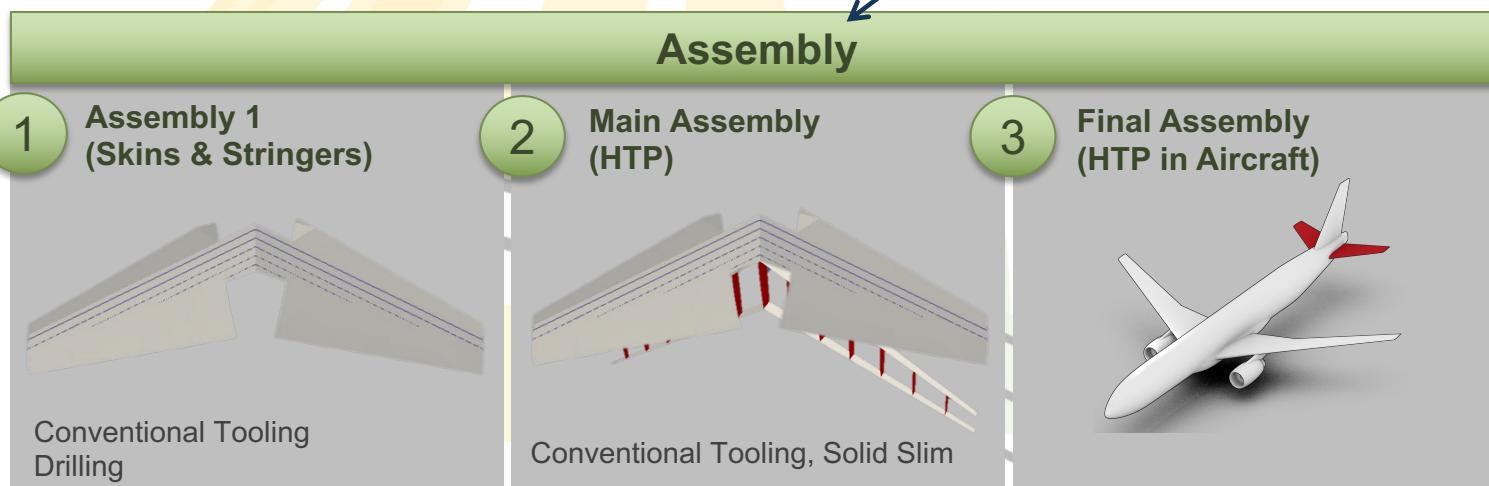
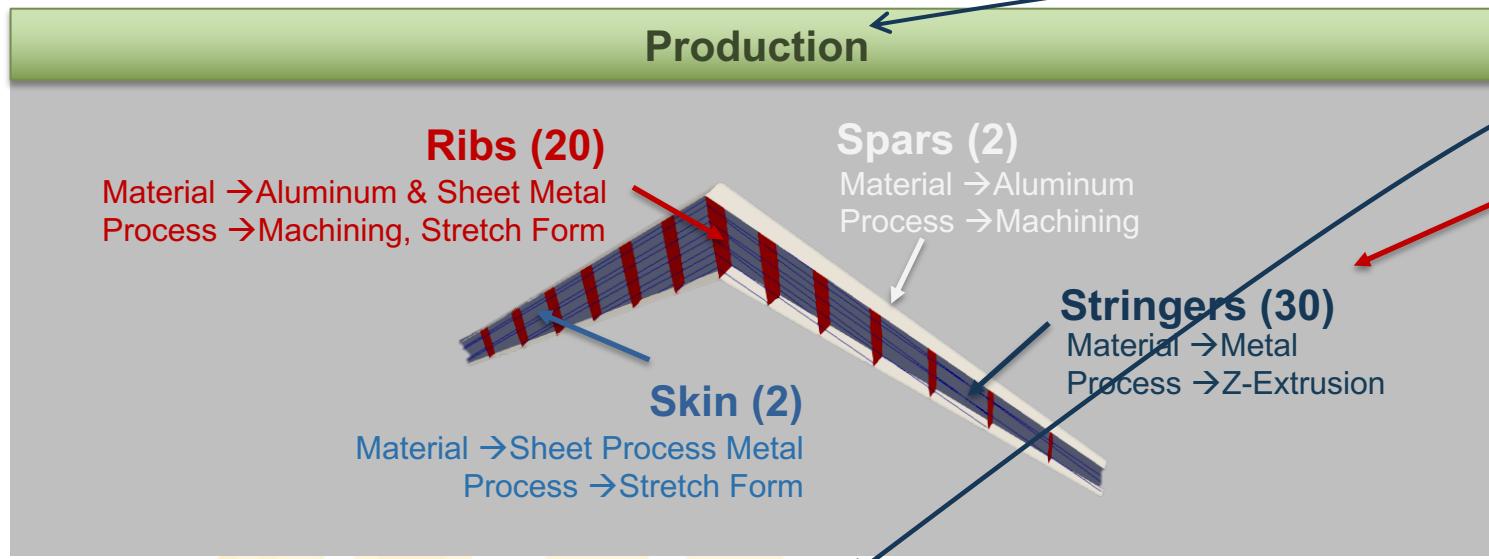
MDAx: Page Risueño et al., "MDAx: Agile Generation of Collaborative MDAO Workflows for Complex Systems," in AIAA AVIATION 2020
RCE: <https://rcenvironment.de/>.

Value-driven MDO Campaign



Manufacturing & Supply Chain MDO

Identify the Optimum Supply Chain for a Specific Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



Manufacturing & Supply Chain MDO

3 MDO Problems Executed

❖ MDO Problem 1

Production of All HTP components, Few enterprises Involved

→ Test Tools Compatibility, Explore Optimization Strategy to follow

❖ MDO Problem 2

Production of Skins & Stringers, High Number of Enterprises Involved

→ Test Tool Compatibility for Remote Execution, Explore Optimization Algorithms

❖ MDO Problem 3

Production of All HTP Components & High Number of Enterprises Involved

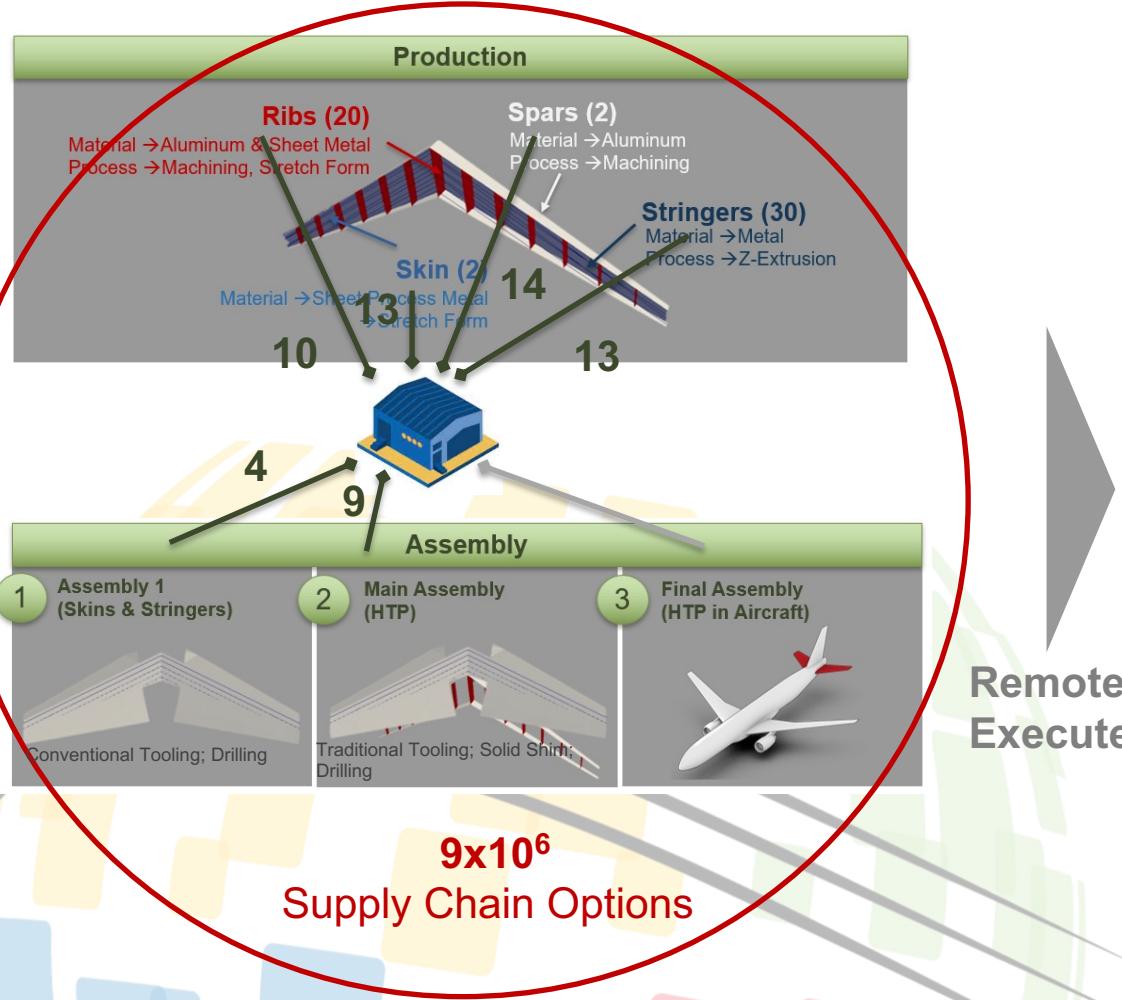
Complexity

- Number of Components to be Produced
- Number of Enterprises

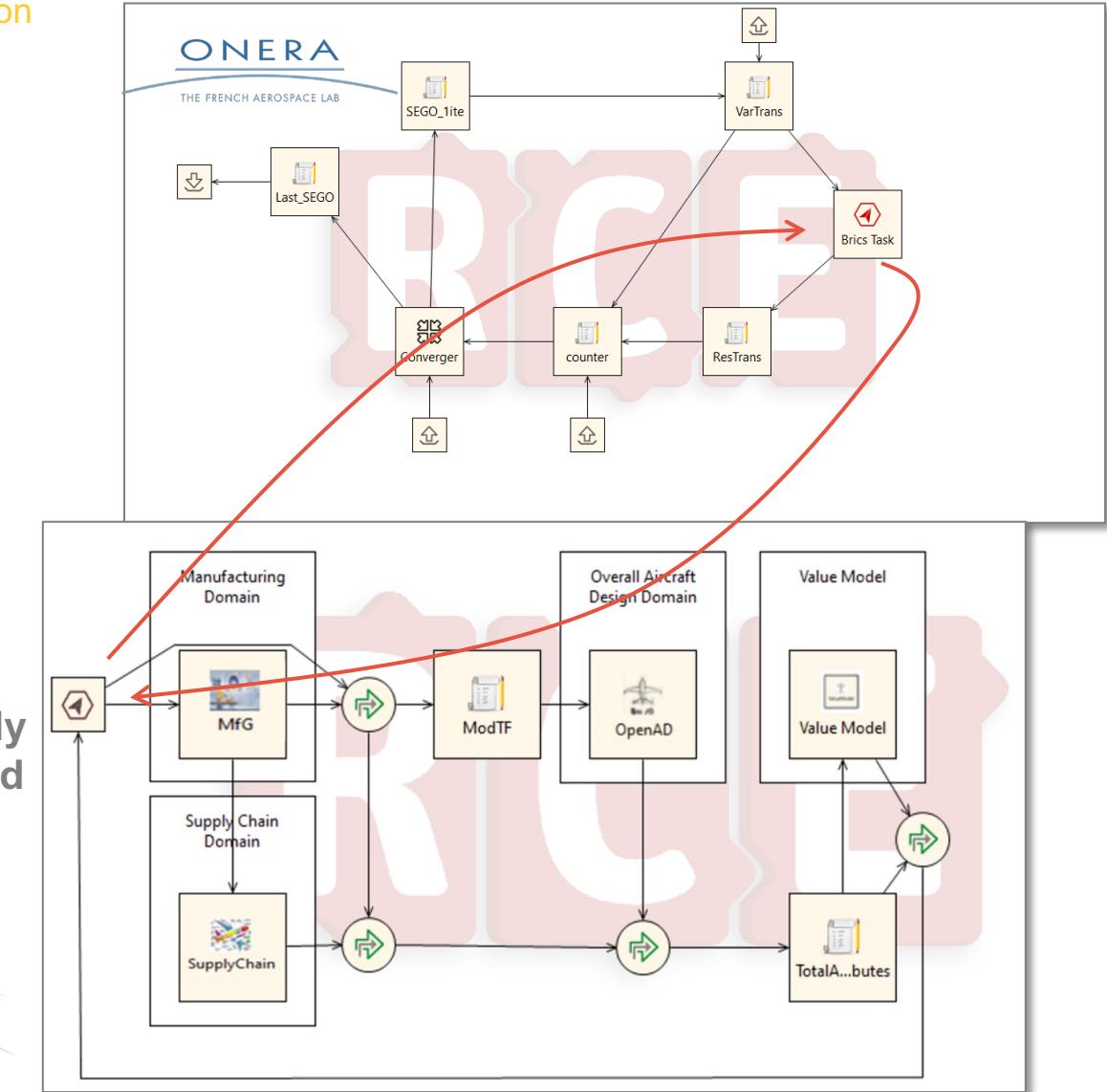
For More Information about the complete optimization design campaign: Merola's Master Thesis (Value-driven Optimization Campaign, 2022)

MDO Problem 3: Set-up & Execution

Identify the Optimum Supply Chain for a Specific Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



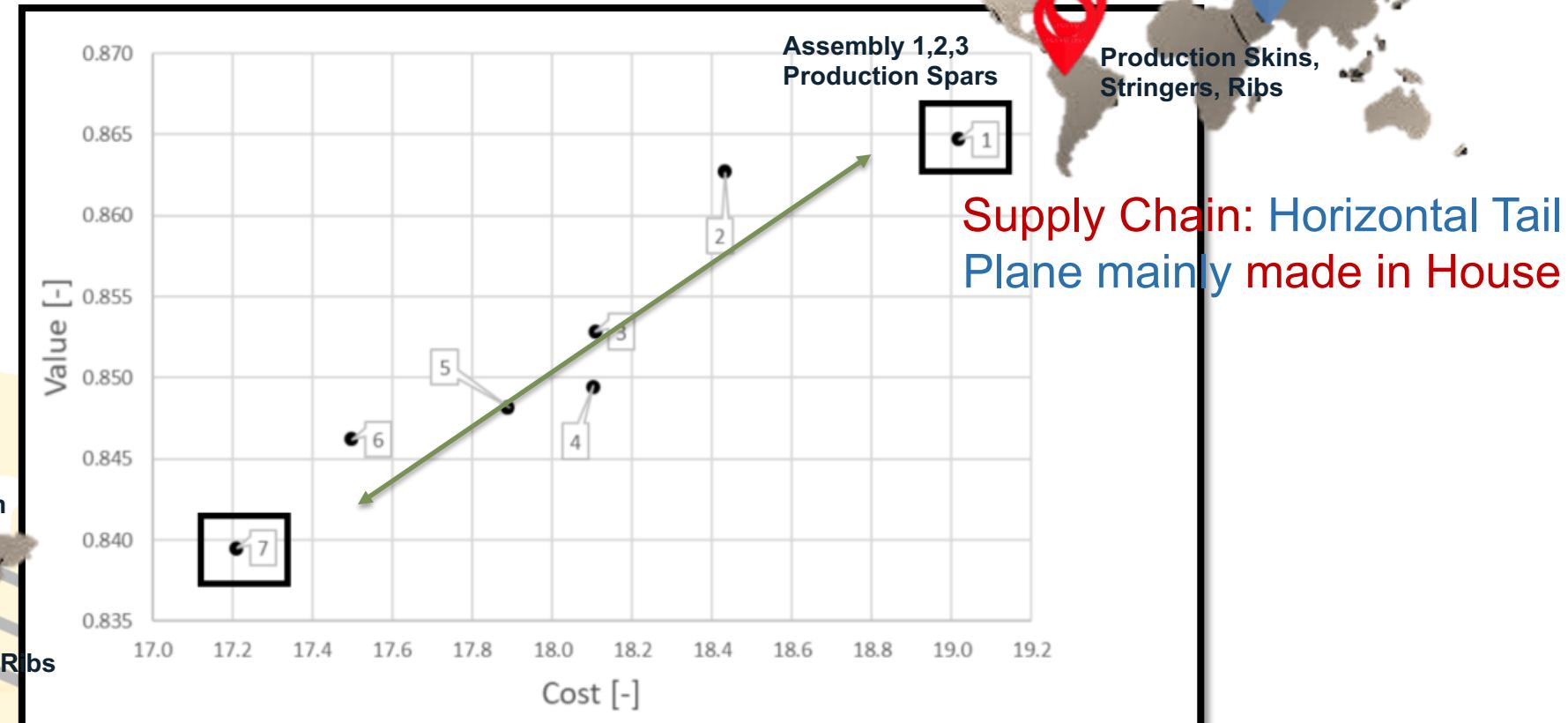
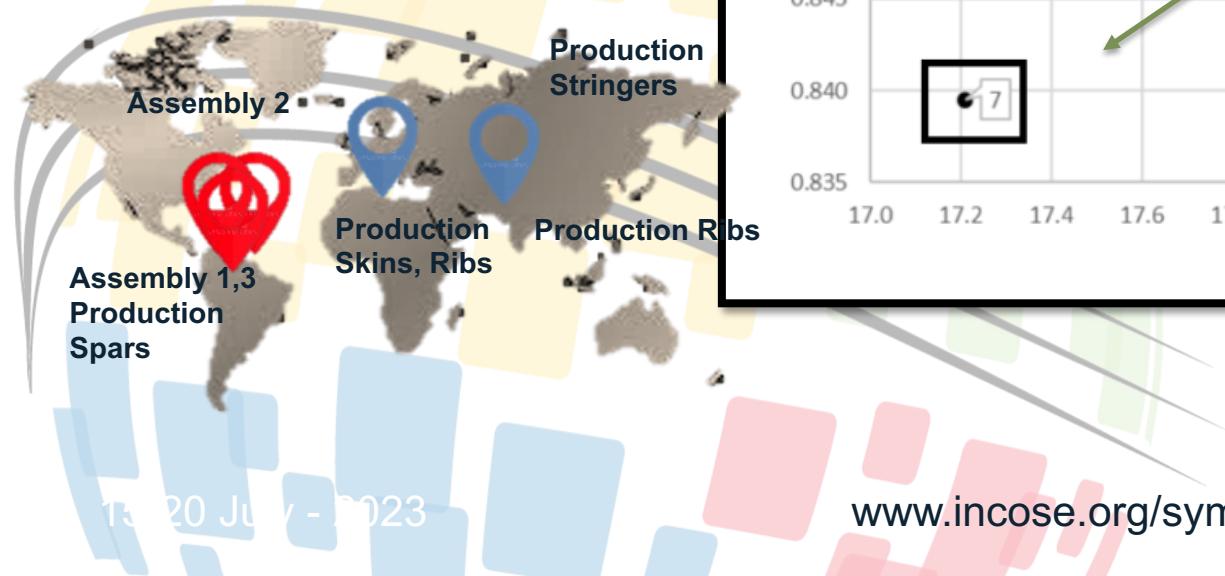
Remotely Executed



MDO Problem 3: Value-driven Pareto-Front

Identify the Optimum Supply Chain for a Specific Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices

Supply Chain: Horizontal Tail
Plane mainly Outsourced



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Identify the Optimum **Supply Chain** for a Specific Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices

- Collaborative Workflow Working
- Computational Time Increasing over MDO Problems (Increasing size)
- Limitation from Optimization Algorithms in Managing High Size MDO problems

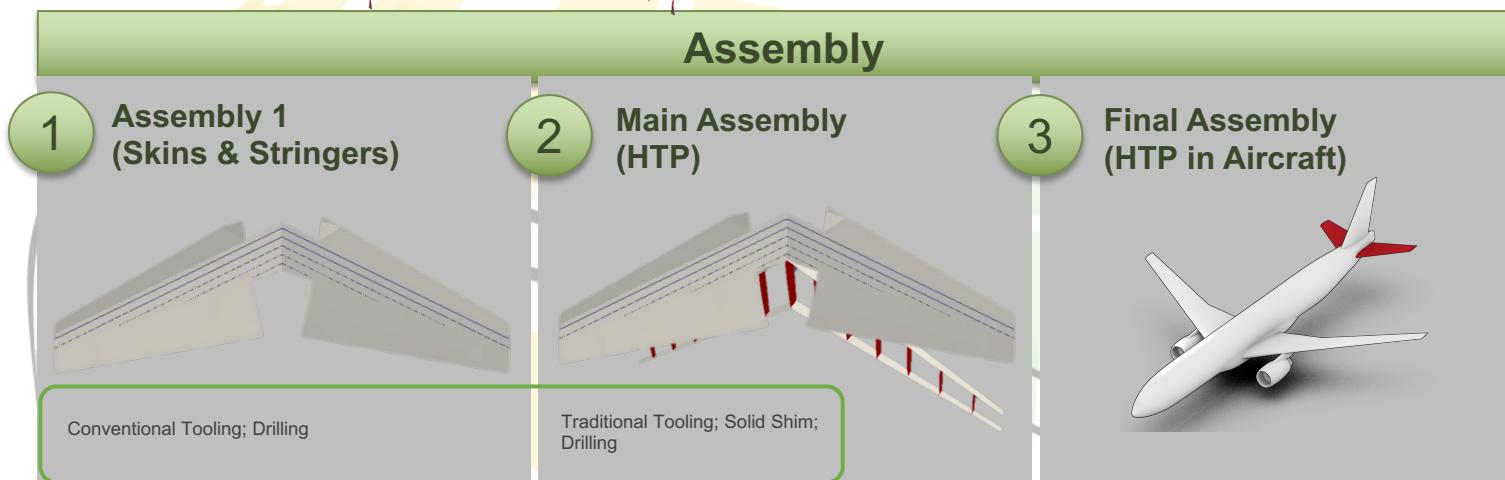
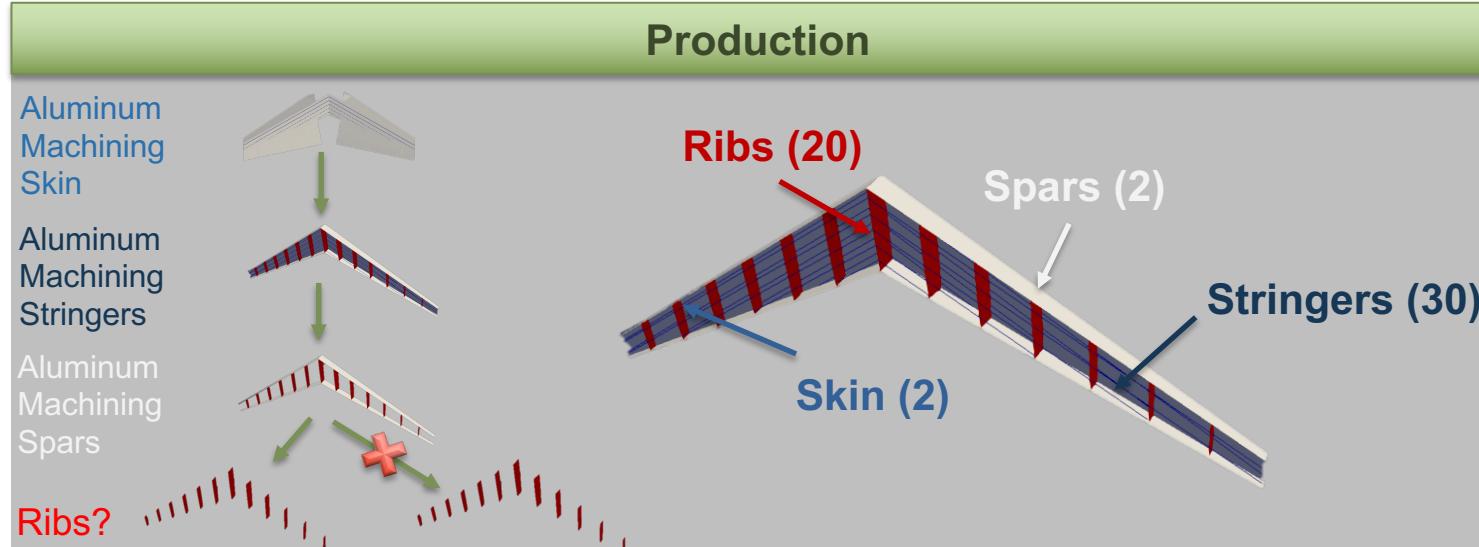


Identify the Optimum Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



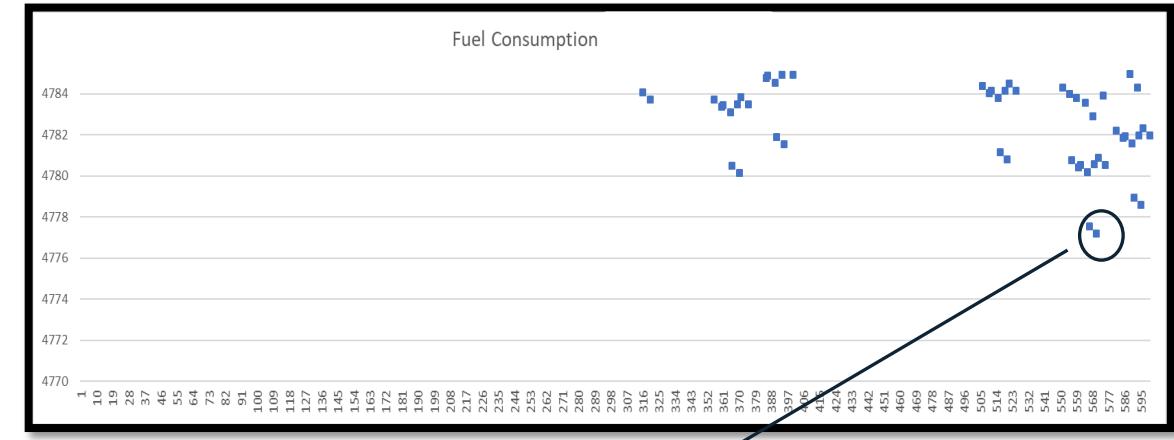
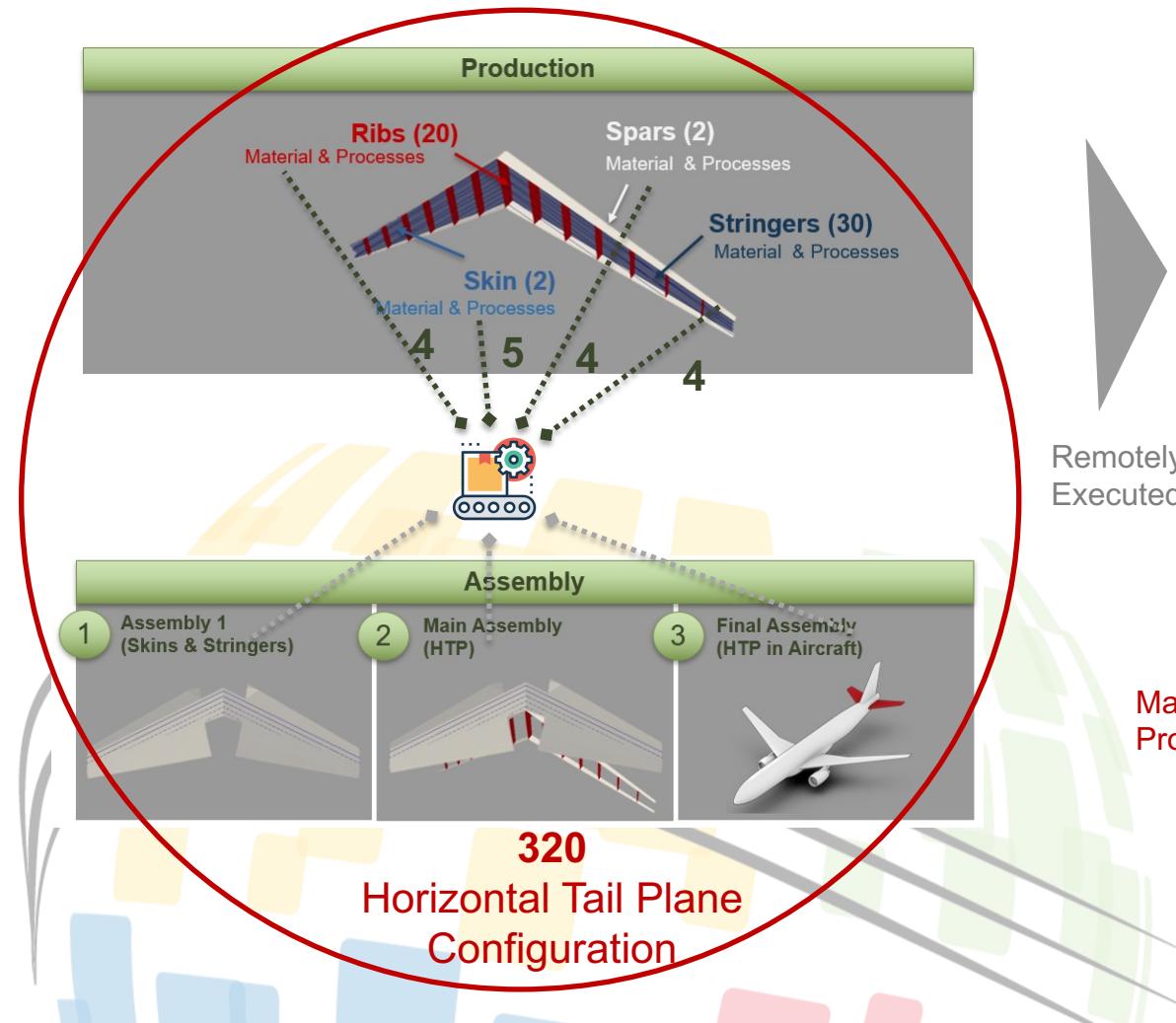
Manufacturing & Design MDO

Identify the Optimum Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



Manufacturing & Design – Set-up/Execution/Results

Identify the Optimum Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



Optimum: Aircraft with Horizontal Tail Plane mainly made by Composite

Ribs (20)

Material → Composite
Process → TPTtherm

Spars (2)

Material → Composite
Process → TSFibPI

Stringers (30)

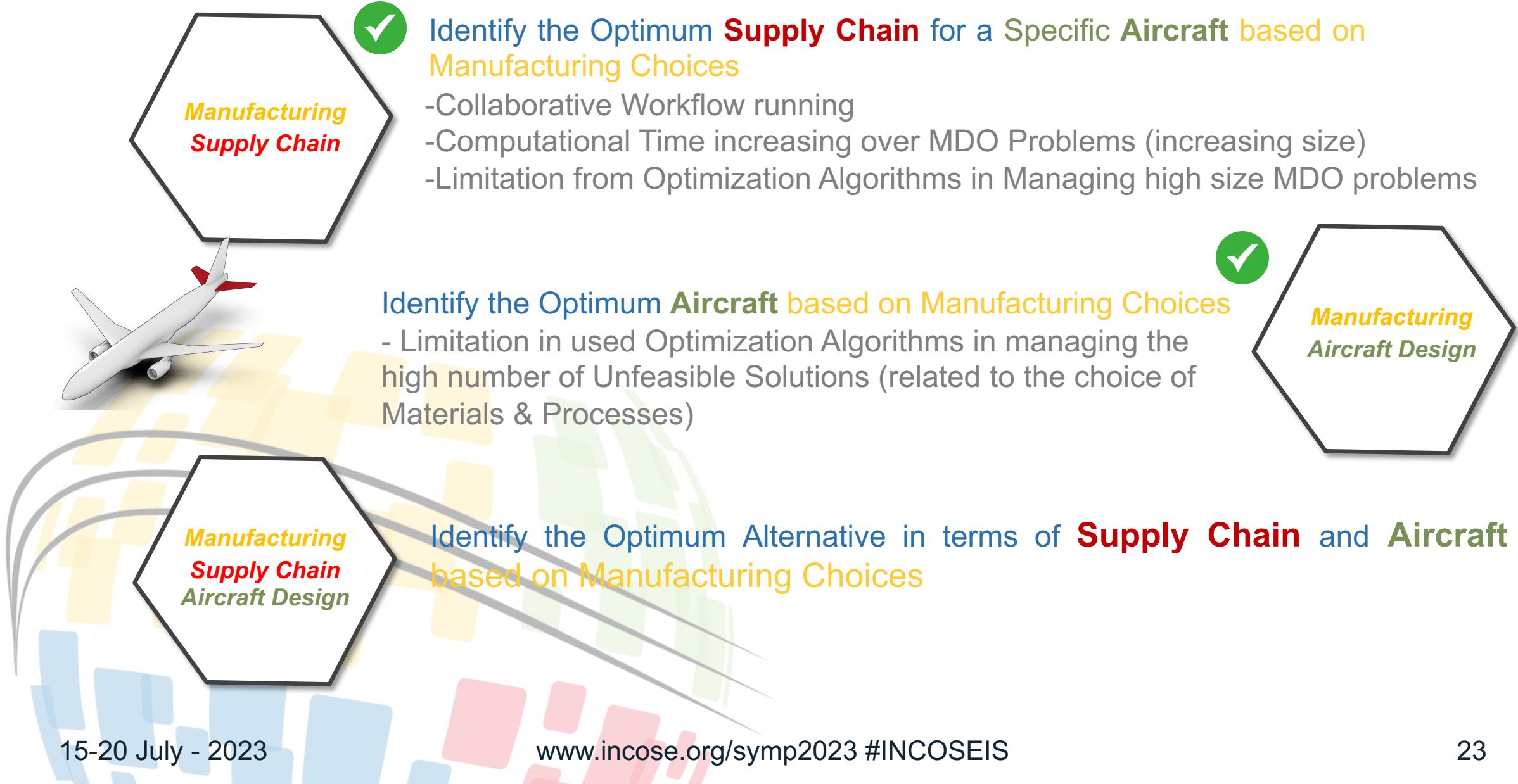
Material → Composite
Process → TSHand

Skin (2)

Material → Composite
Process → TSFibP

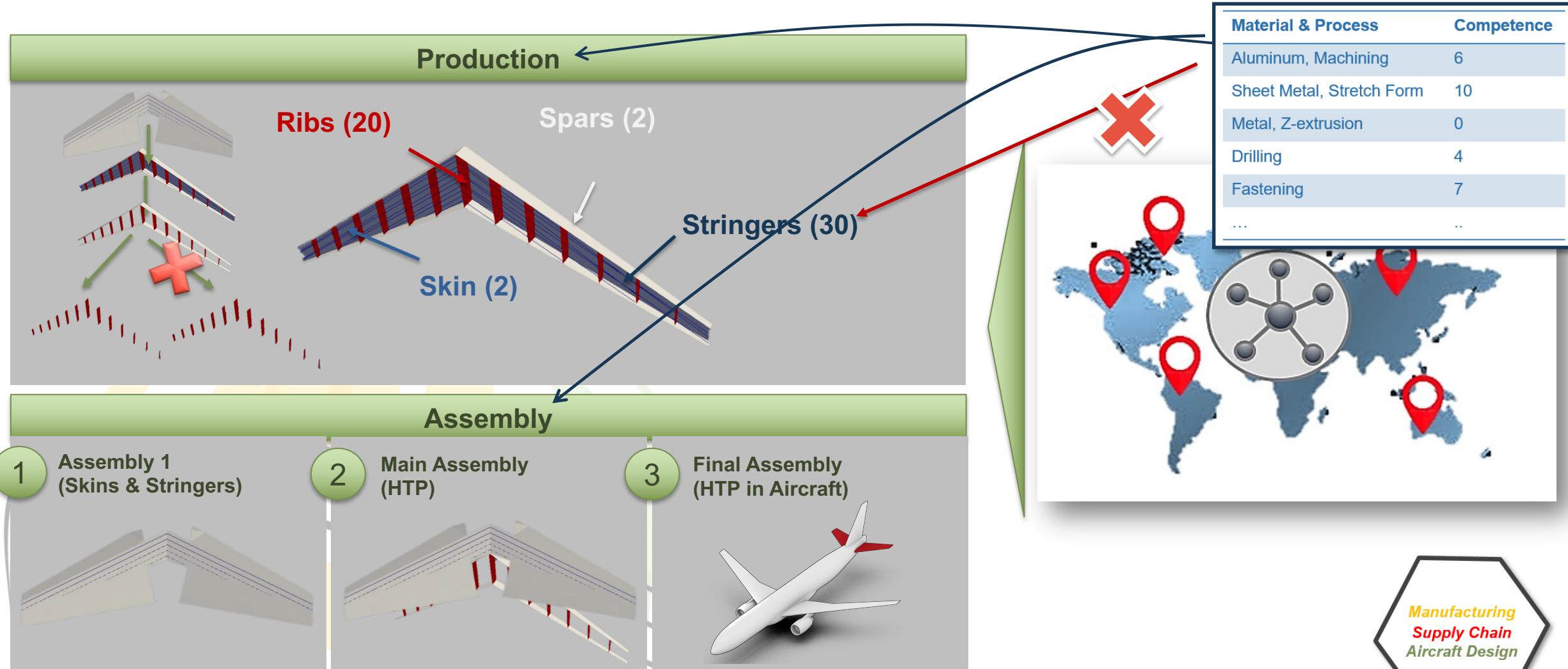


Value-driven MDO Campaign



Manufacturing, Design & Supply Chain MDO

Identify the Optimum Alternative in terms of Supply Chain and the Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



Manufacturing, Design & Supply Chain MDO

Identify the Optimum Alternative in terms of **Supply Chain** and the **Aircraft** based on Manufacturing Choices

2 MDO Problems Executed

❖ MDO Problem 1

Few Manufacturing Choices, Few enterprises Involved
→ Proof of Concept

❖ MDO Problem 2

High Number of Manufacturing Choices, High Number of Enterprises Involved

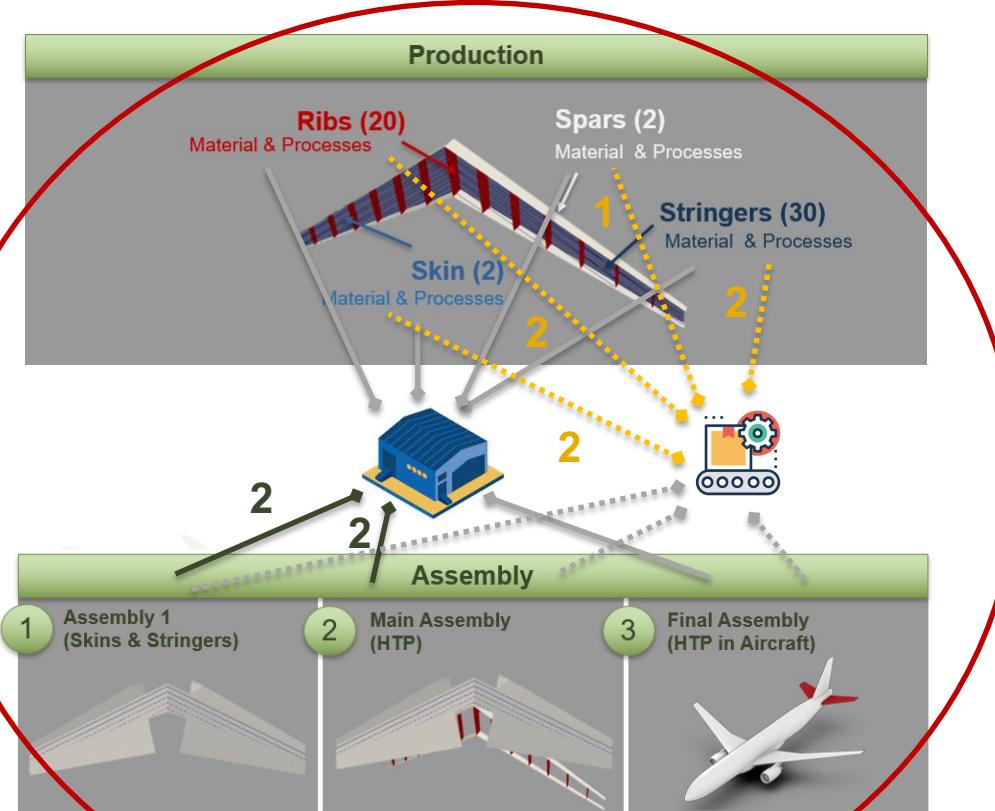


Complexity ↓

- Number of Components to be Produced
- Number of Enterprises
- Number of Materials & Processes

MDO Problem 1

Identify the Optimum Alternative in terms of Supply Chain and the Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



16 Alternatives: 8 HTP configurations made by 2 Supply Chain Options

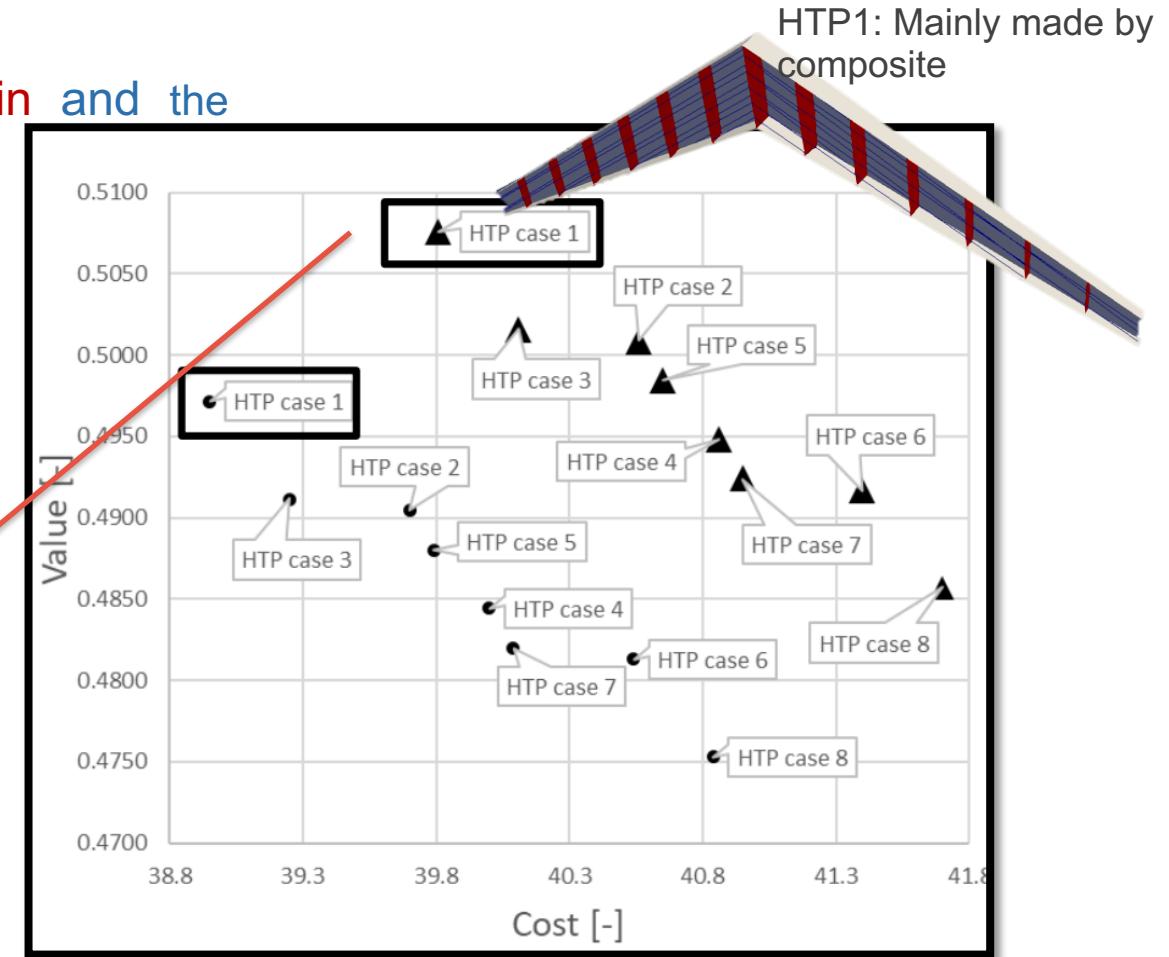
MDO Problem 1

Identify the Optimum Alternative in terms of Supply Chain and the Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices

Each Solution refers to an Aircraft Configuration (or Horizontal Tail Plane) and Supply Chain

HTP1 has highest value, however the one produced by Supply Chain 1 has a Higher Value than the one produced by Supply Chain 2

Optimum Performant & Competitive Aircraft!



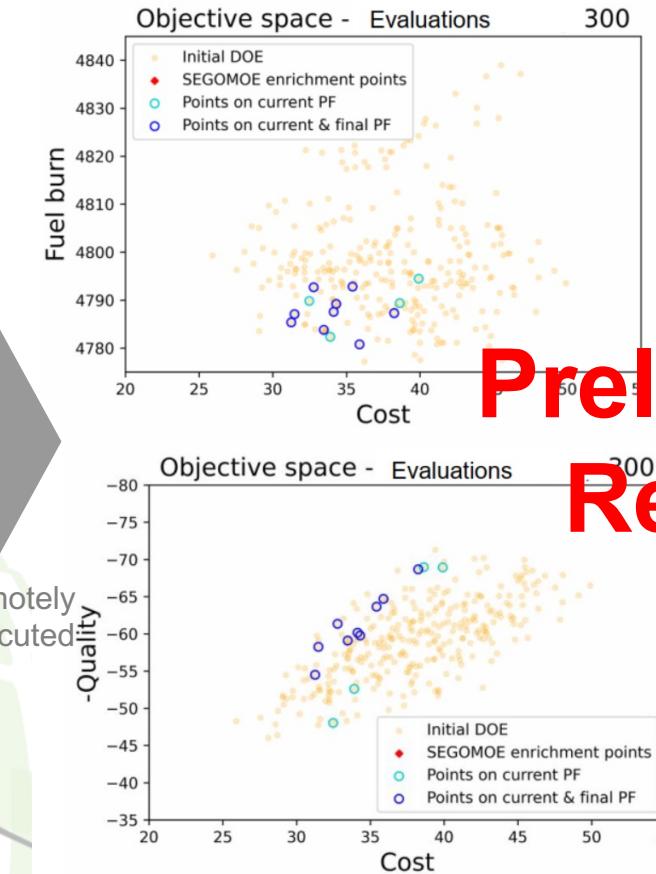
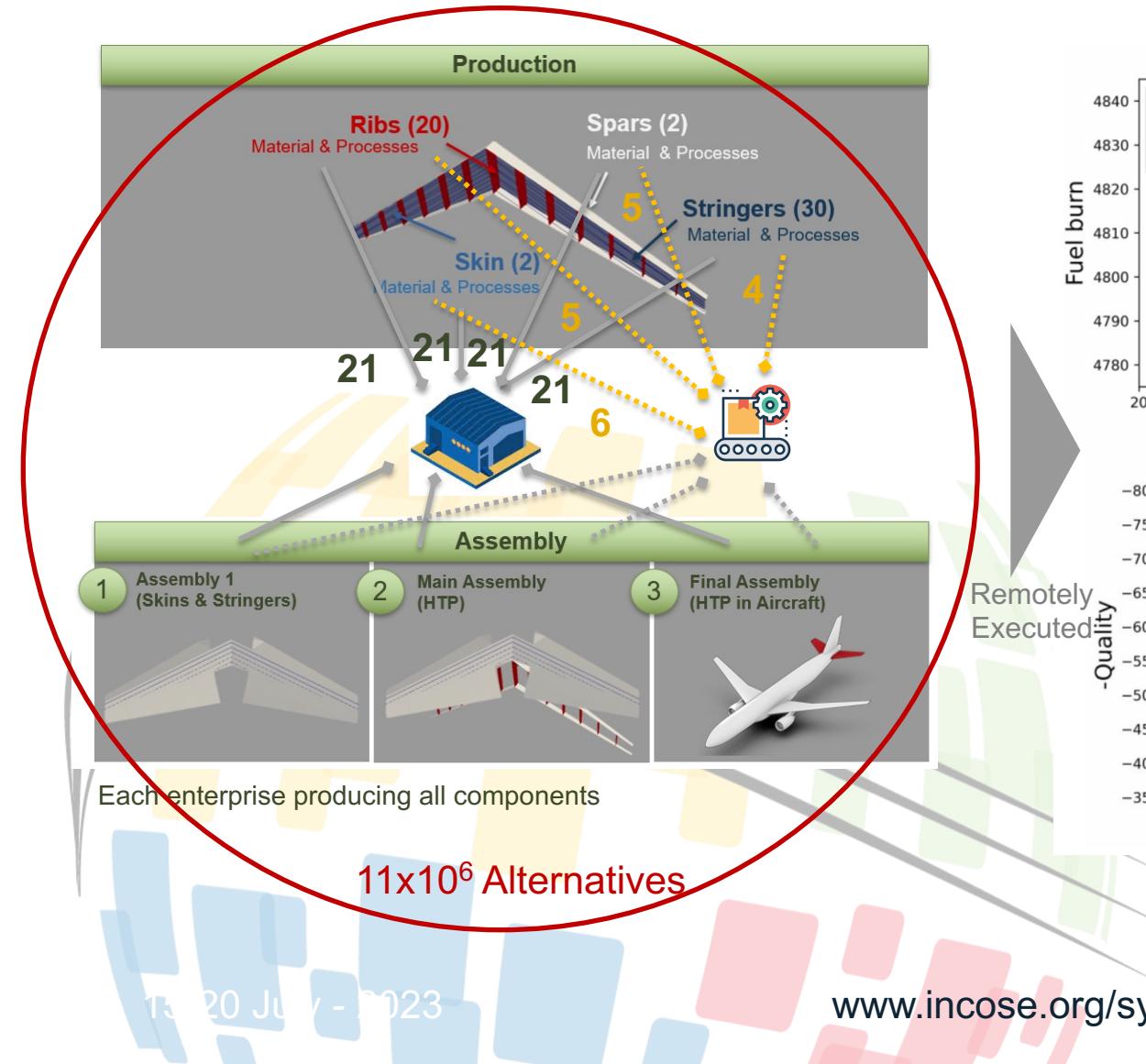
▲ Supply Chain Option 1

● Supply Chain Option 2



MDO Problem 2: Preliminary Results

Identify the Optimum Alternative in terms of Supply Chain and the Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices



Preliminary
Results

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Identify the Optimum Aircraft based on Manufacturing Choices

- Limitation in used Optimization Algorithms in managing the high number of Unfeasible Solutions (related to the choice of Materials & Processes)

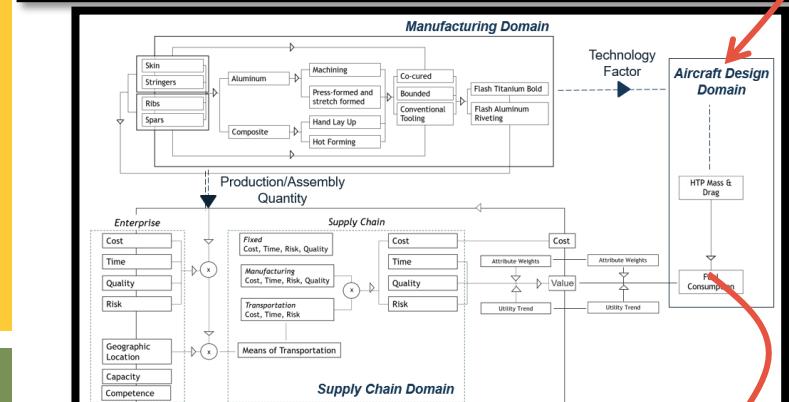
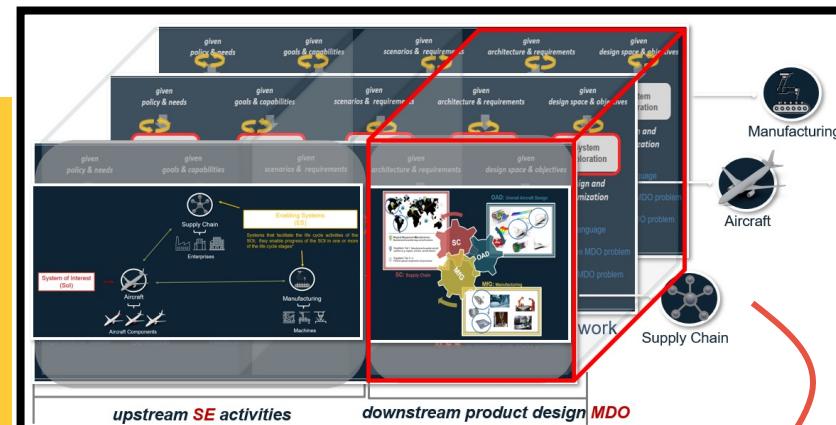


Identify the Optimum Alternative in terms of **Supply Chain** and **Aircraft** based on Manufacturing Choices

- Genetic Optimization Algorithm well suit this MDO problems
- Computation Time Drastically Increase

Conclusions & Further Activities

- Multi Domains Optimization Campaign including Manufacturing, Supply and Aircraft Design allows to identify the Performant and Competitive Solution
- Value-driven Pareto Front simplify the visualization of Multiple Objective Pareto-front
- Limitations in Optimization Capabilities limit the Exploration of the Design Space



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