Lecture Title: Research Opportunities at the Cross-Roads of Design, Manufacturing and High-Performance Computing

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Abstract
This talk addresses some of the research challenges and opportunities that lie at the cross-roads of design, manufacturing and high-performance computing.

In the first part of this talk, an overview of design optimization methods will be presented. Following this, a level-set based topology optimization method, namely $Pareto$, will be introduced. $Pareto$ relies on the concept of topological sensitivity, and can efficiently solve a variety of multi-physics, multi-constrained design problems.

In the second part, current efforts on integrating topology optimization and additive manufacturing will be summarized; topics include support structure minimization, microstructural and multi-material optimization.

Finally, the role of high-performance computing in design and manufacturing will be explored. A novel physics based $assembly-free$ deflated FEA will be introduced, and its impact on large-scale simulation will be presented. Comparisons will be made against commercial implementations. The talk will conclude with open research challenges.

Biography
Dr. Krishnan Suresh is currently a Professor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He received a Master’s in Manufacturing Engineering from UCLA in 1992, and a Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering from Cornell in 1998. He later served as an Engineering Manager at Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Philadelphia from 1998 to 2002.

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