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# Validation of Modeling and Simulation with Cielo using the SIM TOM3 Testbed

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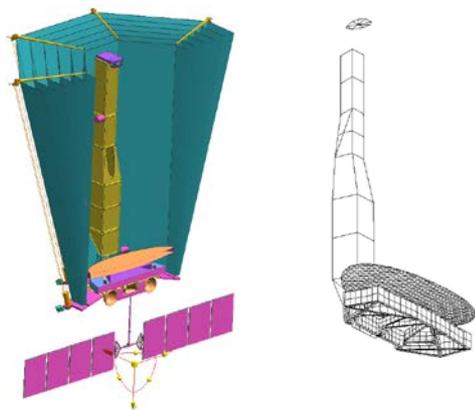
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- Optical aberration analysis,  
definition of optical element, rigid body filtering, optical aberration calculation  
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- Summary



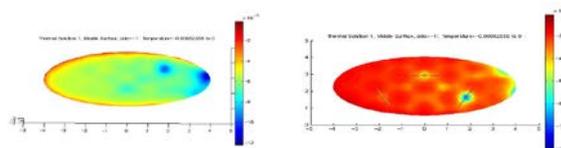
# What is Cielo ?

- General-purpose finite element-based computational tool for multi-physics analysis
- Provides integrated thermal, structural and optical aberration capabilities using a common model
- Nastran input file driven
- Matlab hosted
- Running on serial and parallel machines
- Extensible object-based architecture

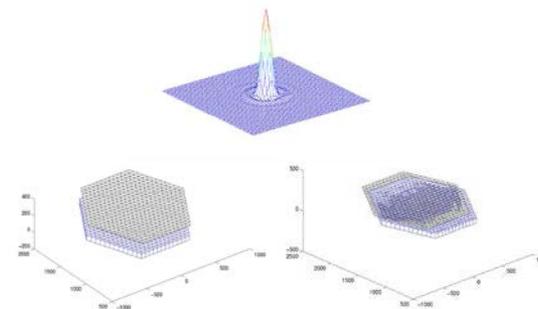
Integrated analysis capability facilitates development of detailed system-level model ...



Propagates thermal, structural & dynamic effects down to optical elements and mounts ...



And computes aberrations from which optical merit functions & sensitivity matrices can be assessed and optimized...





# Thermal and Structural Physics



- Equations of Thermal Equilibrium: ( $u(t) = temp$ )

$$[B]\{\dot{u}(t)\} + [K]\{u(t)\} + [R]\{u(t)^4\} = \{P(t)\} + \{N(t)\}$$

Capacitance  
(Sparse)

Conductance  
(Sparse)

Radiation  
(Dense,  
unsymmetric)

Loads  
(Multiple subcases,  
Sparse or dense)

- Time integration via generalized trapezoidal methods (Crank-Nicolson, etc.)
- Nonlinear iteration via Newton-Raphson method

- Equations of Structural Dynamic Equilibrium: ( $u(t) = disp$ )

$$[M]\{\ddot{u}(t)\} + f(u(t), \dot{u}(t)) = \{P(t)\}$$

Mass, Damping, Stiffness  
(Sparse)

Loads  
(Multiple subcases,  
Thermal strains)

- Situation further complicated by:
  - Temperature-dependent materials
  - Radiation-material interactions
  - Microdynamic, and other geometric/strain/material nonlinearities

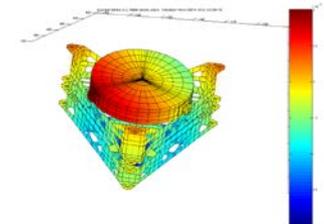
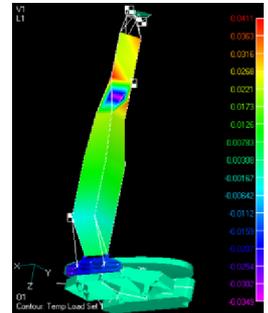
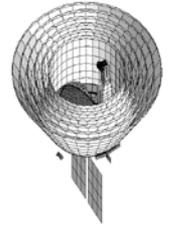
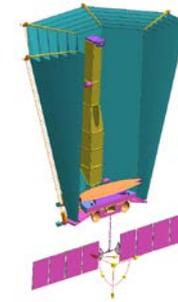
# Motivation

Overcome current limitations in precision deployable structures analysis:

- COTS-based tools are domain-specific (“bucket brigade” approach)
- Pre-flight, system-level hardware testing at operating conditions is impractical
- Analysis fidelity (millikelvin, picometers) proving to be a significant challenge

Enable analysis-driven systems engineering and design:

- Turnaround time improvement via common model approach
- Analysis fidelity via parallel computing
- Targeted methods development
- Integration with other domains (e.g. controls, optics) via MATLAB-hosting.

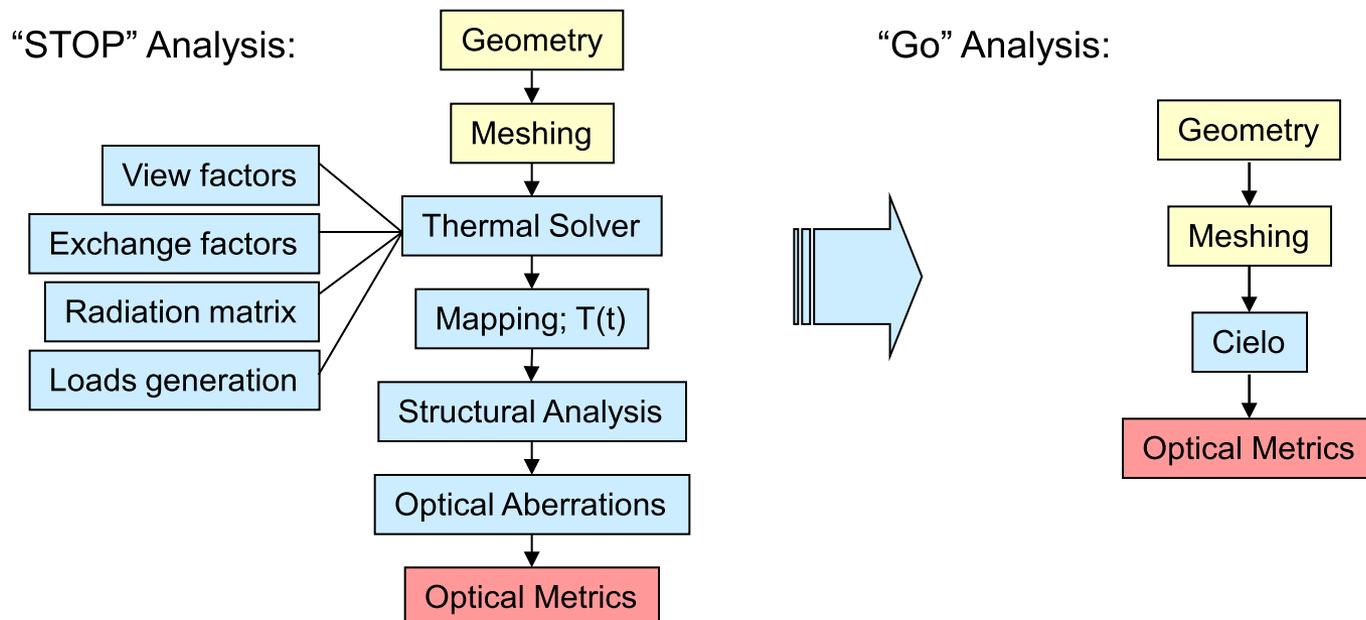




# Solution Approach



- Common finite element model representation
  - Single model with multidisciplinary attributes
  - Data-driven via augmented NASTRAN file formats
- MATLAB hosting
  - Open, extensible, scalable architecture enabled by rich MATLAB environment
  - mexFunction modules for specific, cpu-intensive phases
  - Solution control, postprocessing in MATLAB
  - Toolbox deployment





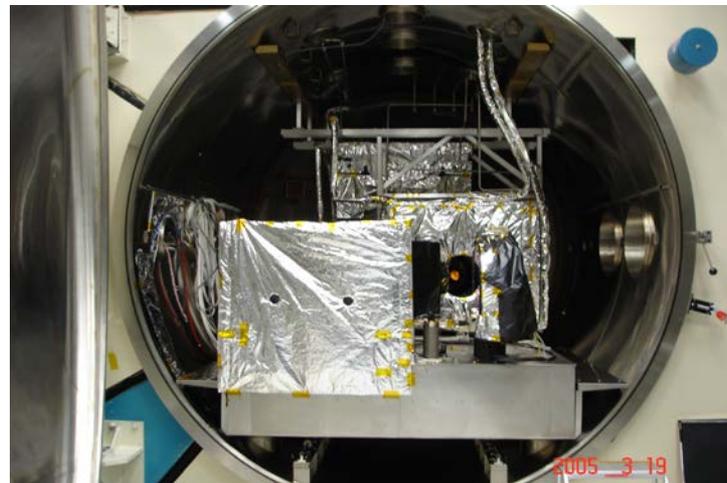
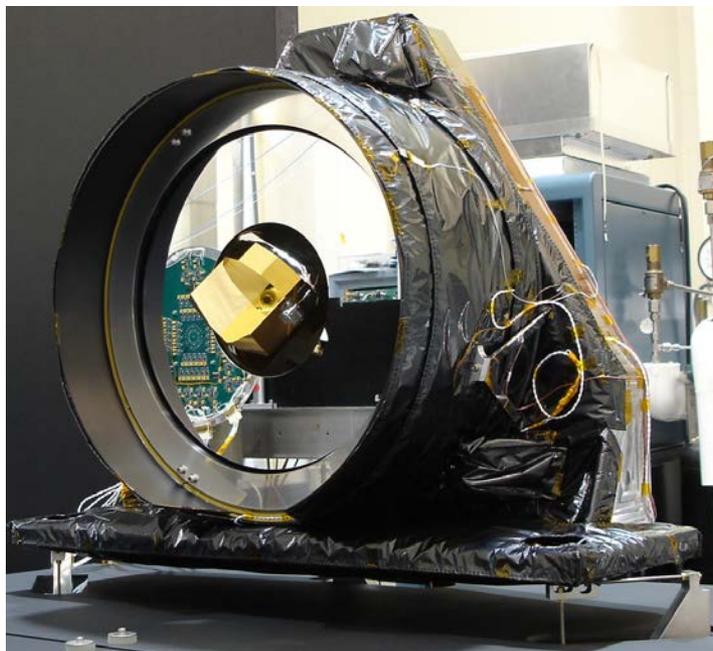
# SIM TOM-3 Testbed



## Space Interferometry Mission Thermo-Opto-Mechanical Testbed

Measure thermally induced optical deformations of a full-size flight-like beam compressor and siderostat in flight like thermal environments

Fine optical path difference measurement with a common path heterodyne interferometer (COPHI)



3.3 m diameter vacuum chamber,  
beam compressor and shroud with  
siderostat inside

Siderostat mirror with double cube-corner  
including cans, yoke, and blankets

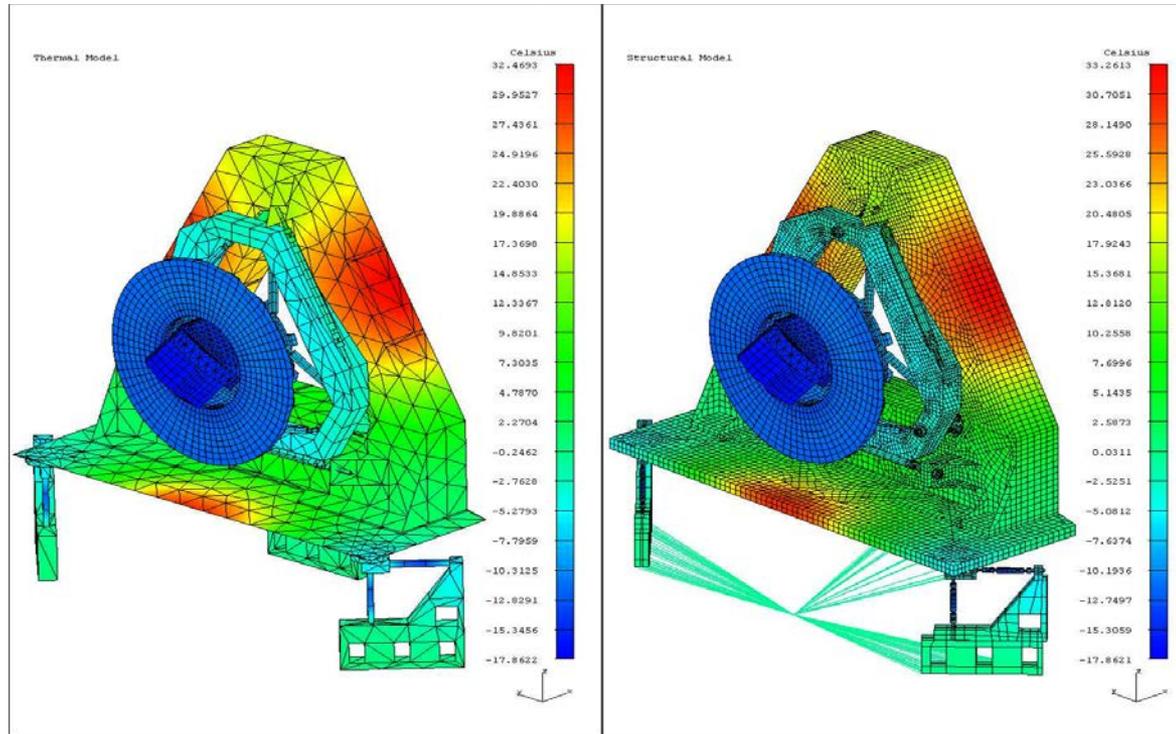


# Scope of the Validation



- Demonstrate the use of a single computational model for thermal, structural and optical aberration analysis with Cielo, show high fidelity and compare with measurements of the TOM3 testbed and with results from COTS tools
- Build and validate the common model
- Compare results
  - in particular results on the siderostat mirror, steady state and transient temperatures, optical path differences (OPD)
  - Experimental results from the TOM3 test bed
  - Numerical results from TMG (temperatures) and NX/Nastran (OPD)

# Existing Siderostat Models



1. Thermal Model (TMG)
2. Structural Model (NX/Nastran)
3. 20 node thermal model in Sinda for quick design studies
4. Matlab scripts extract displacements from Nastran output files, transform data for input to offline optical aberration analysis



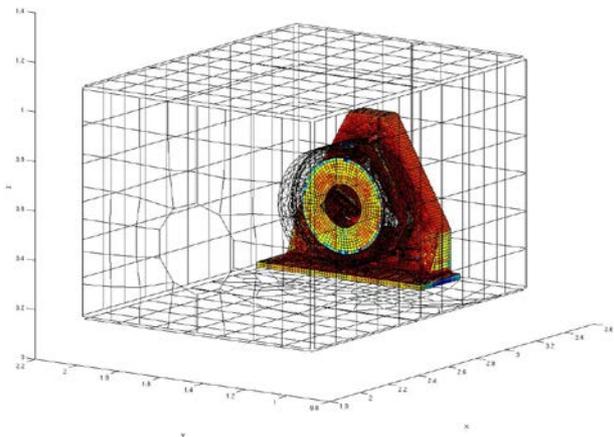
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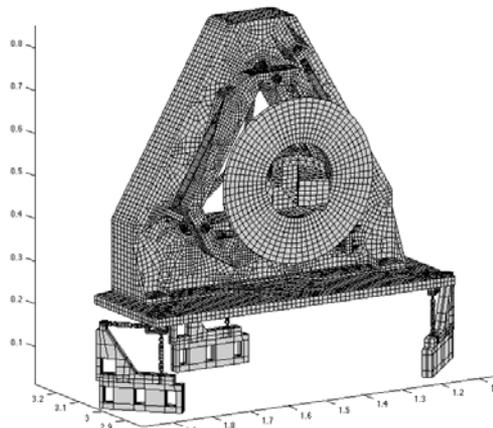
- Used existing NX/Nastran structural model as a base to create a single model for thermal and structural analysis
  - Saving modeling time for this exercise was the main motivation
  - Existing quadratic elements were converted to linear elements
- Thermal attributes were added using I-deas
  - Thermal cans and box enclosure were added from the TMG model
  - Thermal surface elements were added with work-around, limited support in I-deas
  - Blankets (Chblin Elements) were added using a Matlab script
- Time dependent thermal boundary conditions were added at the Matlab script level
- Optical element was added
- Temperatures, thermal deformations and optical aberrations are all computed from single, common model

# Creation of a Common Model

## Box, Cans, Siderostat

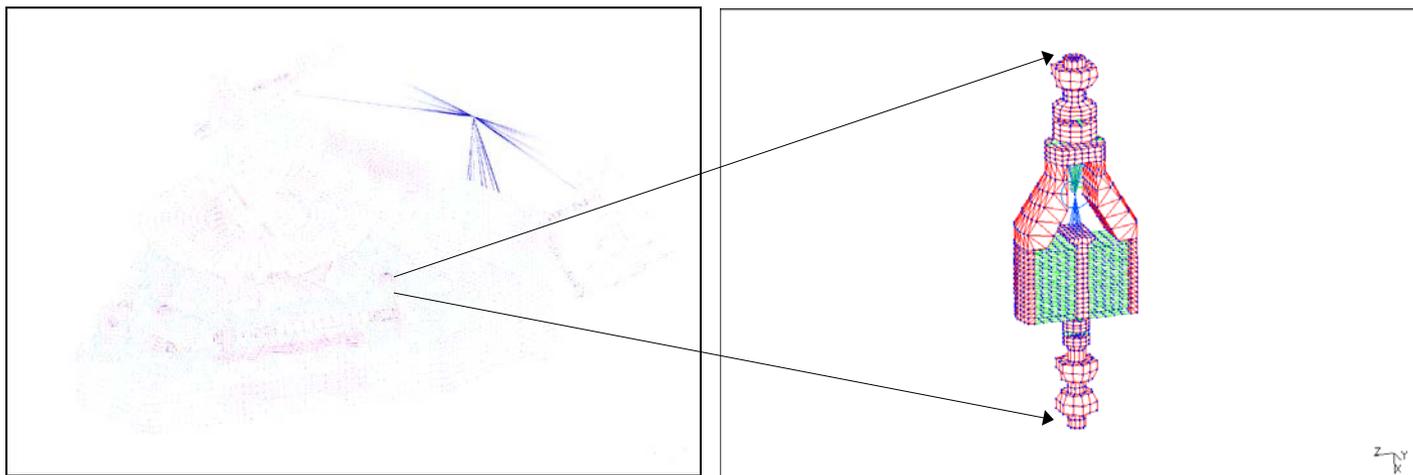


## Siderostat



celas1	3290
chbdyg	57567
chbdyp	1
chblin	1094
chexa	14516
cord*	11
cpenta	4773
cquad4	13497
ctetra	9874
ctria3	3325
grid	48370
mat*	14
param	9
pelas	6
phbdy	1
phblin	3
pshell	26
psolid	204
radm	19
rbe3	7
rbe2	1
spc	1449
tempd	1
tstepnl	1

## Level of detail in existing siderostat model



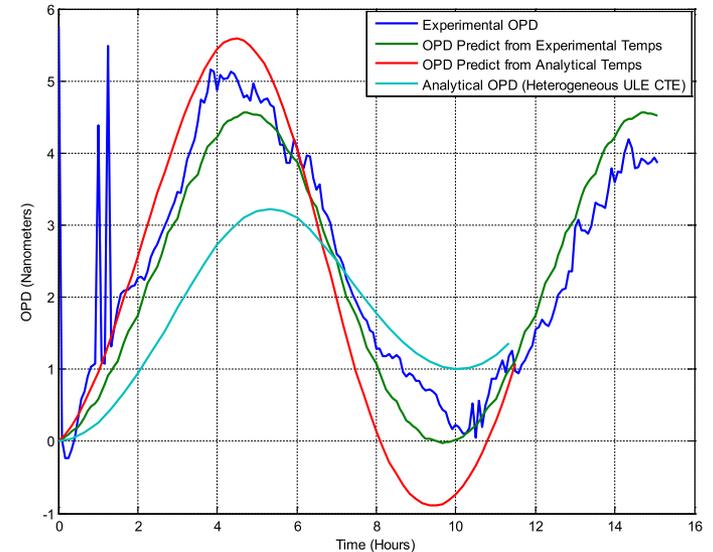


# V&V Test Plan



Previous results from the “10X slew constant power thermal test”

- In thermal analysis, emissivities had been tuned to get closer to measured temperatures
- In structural analysis, coefficients of thermal expansion (CTE) had been measured and tuned to get closer to the measured OPD
- Overall, OPD varied by a factor of 2 due to emissivity and CTE tuning



These “tuned” parameter values were taken as common model starting points in Cielo for thermal and structural analysis to make meaningful comparisons

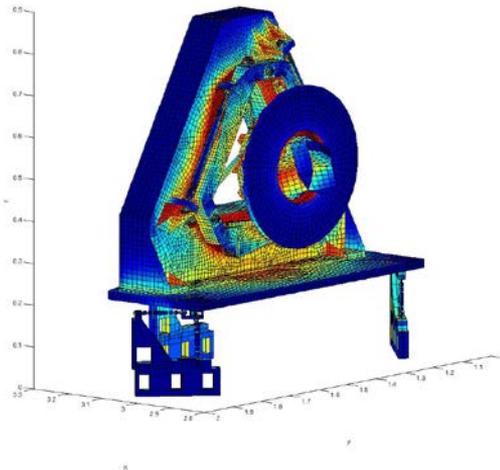
- Run steady state thermal
- Run transient thermal analysis with loads from slew maneuver
- Run static analysis for the last 70 time steps with temperature loads from the preceding thermal analysis
- Calculate OPD



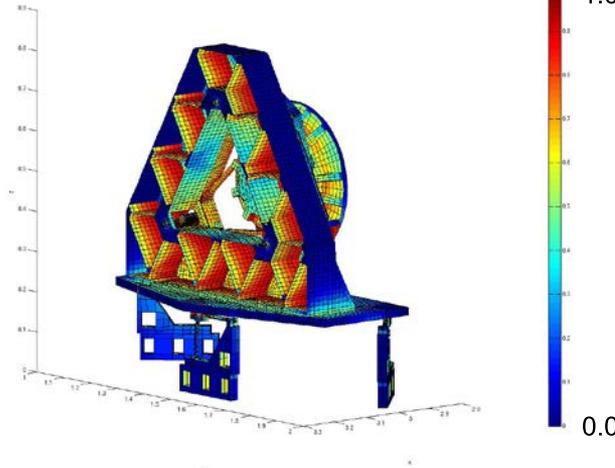
# View Factor Calculation



View Area Factors row sums.



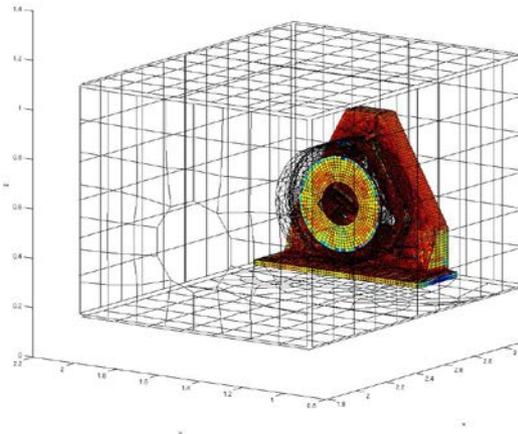
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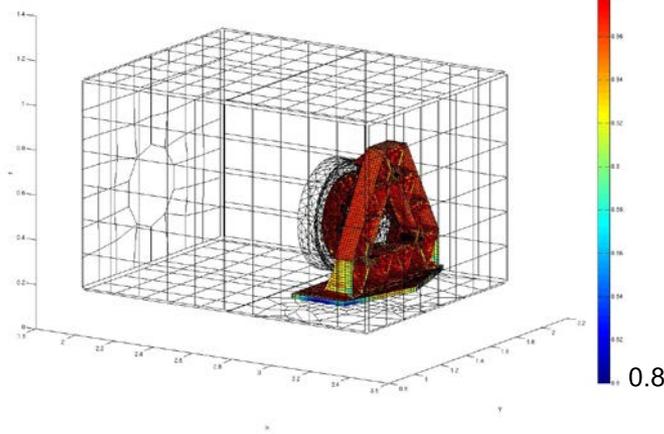
## Verification of view factor calculations

Diffuse view factors of siderostat seeing space (normalized row sums)

Tom3 siderostat. View Factors row sums.



Tom3 siderostat. View Factors row sums.



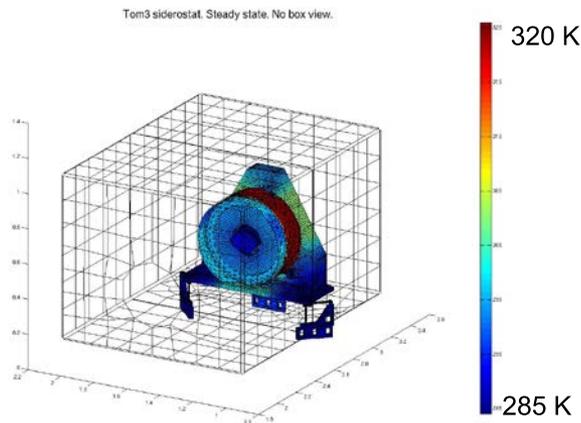
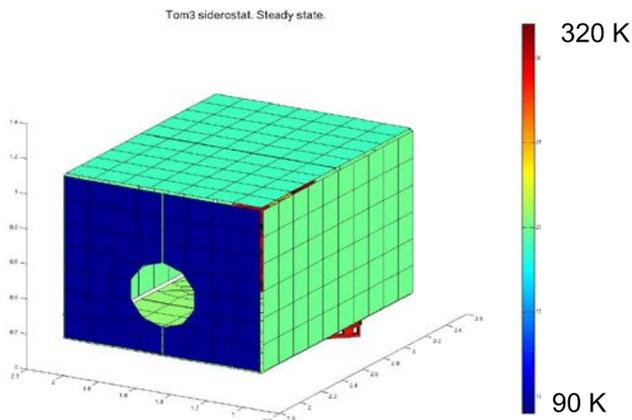
## View factors of the siderostat in the TOM3 testbed (normalized row sums)

58,000 surface elements ( 58,000 <sup>2</sup> view factors )

Wall clock time  
24 hours on 256 CPUs

# Thermal Steady State

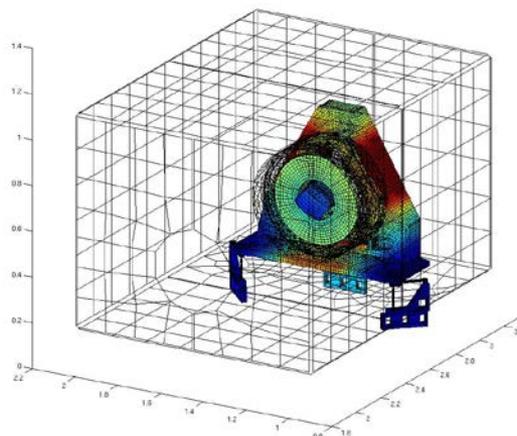
- Verification of the thermal model by running pure conduction with enforced temperature at one grid of a part
- Ran steady state thermal to reach equilibrium initial condition for transient



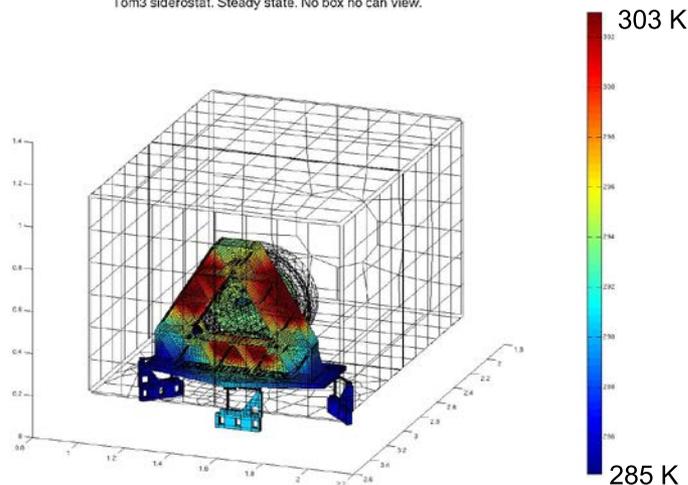
Steady state temperatures

Steady state run  
1 hour on 256 CPUs

Tom3 siderostat. Steady state. No box no can view.

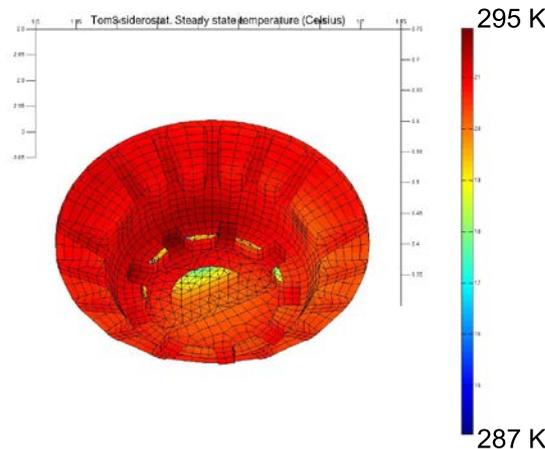
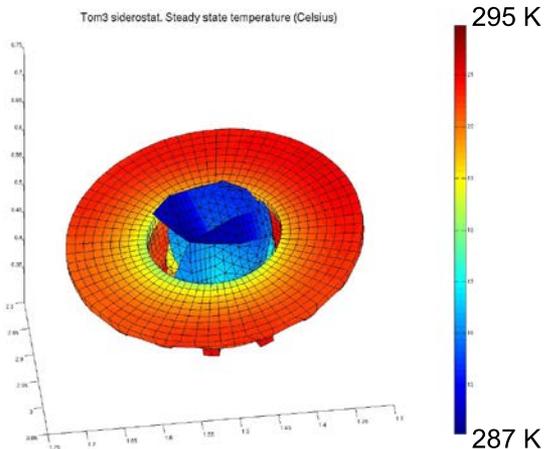


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# Cielo Thermal Steady State Comparison with Test and TMG



**Cielo steady state temperatures front and back of the siderostat mirror**

TMG temperatures are visually identical to Cielo

**Comparison of steady state temperatures at selected elements on the mirror**

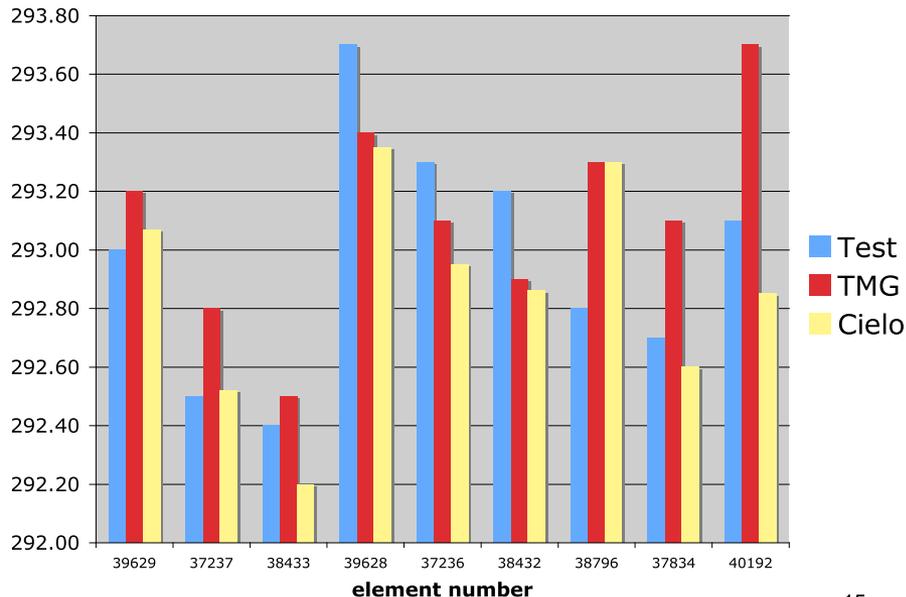
**Test / TMG / Cielo**

**Average deviation from test for 9 measured temperatures**

**TMG 0.32 K**

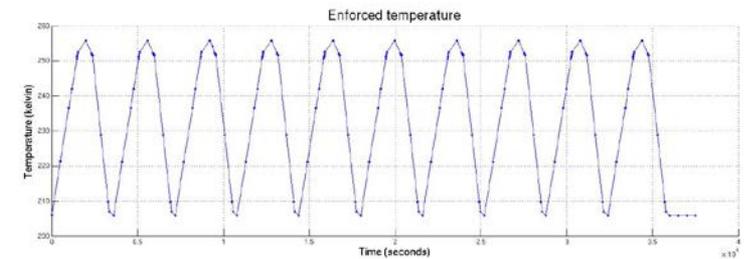
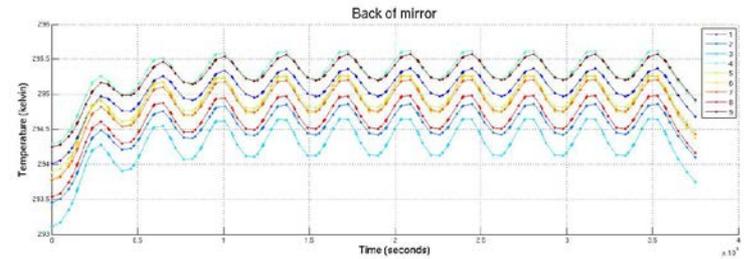
**Cielo 0.24 K**

**Absolute Temperatures on Siderostat**

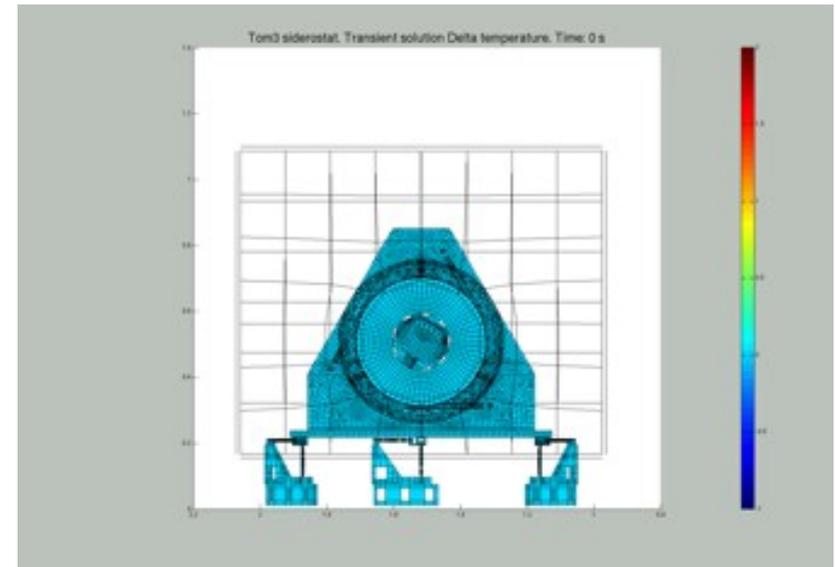
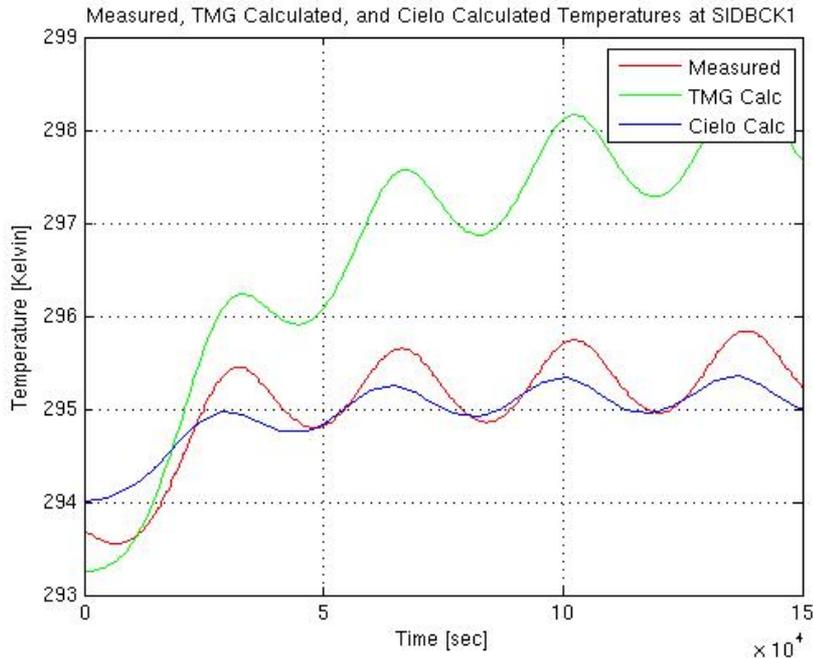


# Thermal Transient Analysis

- Starts from steady state equilibrium
- Implicit time step integrator, mid-point alpha method, with time step control
- Enforced temperature boundary conditions at the box walls
- 18 hours wall clock time on 256 CPUs to calculate 10 cycles



## Comparison Test / TMG / Cielo





# Cielo Thermal Deformations and Optical Aberrations

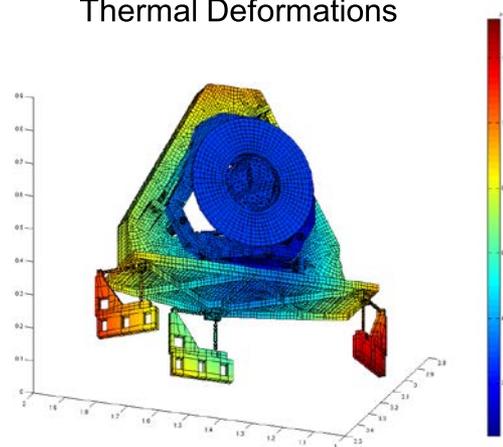


- Verified structural analysis by comparison with NX/Nastran

Maximum displacement normal to the mirror

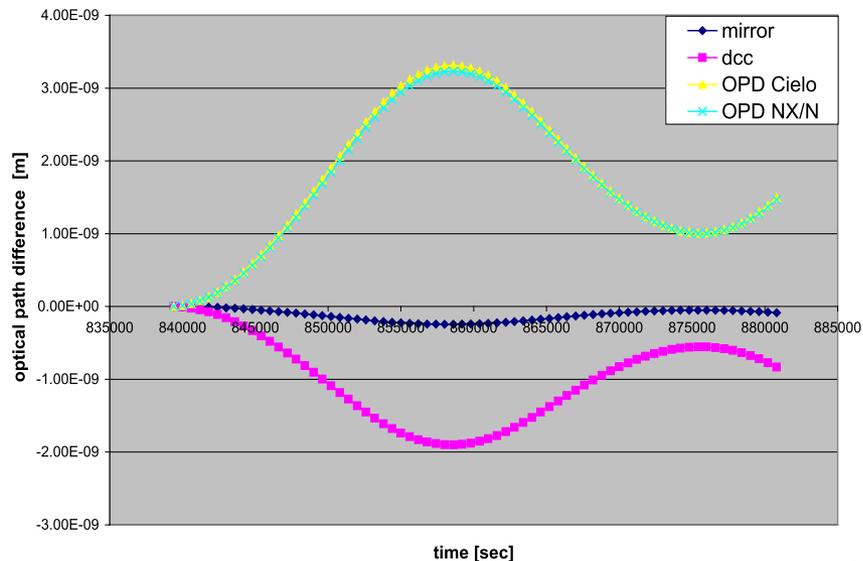
Code/ Elem.	NX Q9/T6	NX Q4/T3	Cielo Q4/T3
d max [m]	1.100e-11	1.090e-11	1.084e-11
delta	0.0%	1.0%	1.6%

Thermal Deformations



slew\_10x\_cp\_temps Optical Path Difference

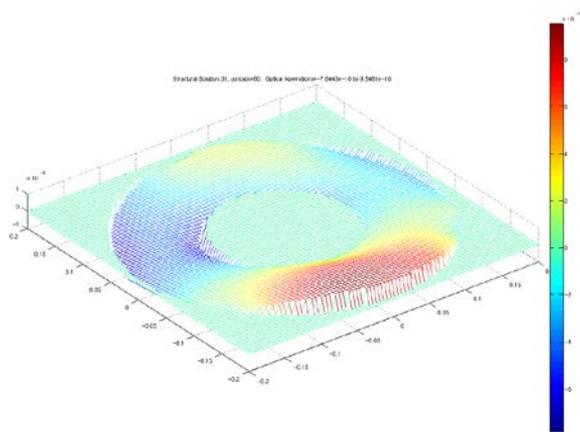
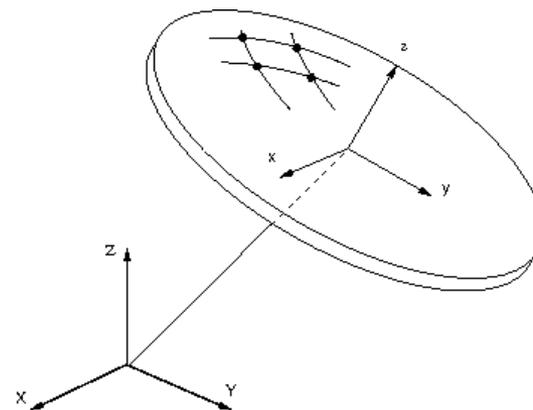
- 70 temperature fields for one cycle are read from the data base or are resident in the Matlab workspace
- 70 subsequent linear static analyses each followed by optical aberration calculations based on user specified optical elements
- 15 min. run time on our new SUN machine (in serial) to produce all thermal deformations and optical aberrations over time



# Computing Optical Aberrations from Thermal Deformations in Cielo

*For every optical element, for every load case,*

- Partition displacement solutions to optical degrees of freedom
- Transform displacements to optical coordinate system
- Compute best-fit rigid body components with respect to optical coordinate systems
- Construct deformed optical surface with, or without rigid-body contributions
- Use underlying finite element interpolation functions to compute aberrations as differences between deformed, undeformed surfaces at interferogram locations



- XYZ – finite element basic coordinate system
- xyz – local optical coordinate system shared with MACOS, CODE V, et al.
- COPTC – optical element definition (surface degree-of-freedom associativity, local coordinate system specification)
- OPTCABS – subcase-dependent data recovery requests



# Discussions of Margins and Uncertainties



- Physics
  - Assumption of diffuse radiation
- Material Parameters
  - **Emissivities** of surfaces, especially for the cans are the most uncertain parameters and to make matters worse, they are also the most sensitive in this radiation dominated problem
  - Effective emissivities for the blankets are uncertain and sensitive as well
  - Conductivity and capacitance are available with sufficient accuracy
  - Young's moduli for structural analysis are available with sufficient accuracy
  - **Coefficients of thermal expansion (CTE)** are uncertain and sensitive
- Accuracy in modeling and simulation for thermal analysis
  - Growth in temperature response in the TMG solver ?
- In the previous TOM3 test report, it was concluded that the variations in OPD predictions by a factor of 2 are within the required margins
- Questions remain about uncertainties in sensitive parameters like emissivities and CTEs
- A tool like Cielo can make the necessary parameter studies in a reasonable time frame provided that sufficient computer wall clock time is available



# Summary



- The common model approach reduces turn around time by at least a factor of 3 compared to the standard approach
- Cielo is able to produce high fidelity thermal results by allowing model sizes which can not be handled by COTS tools
- Run times for view factors and thermal transient analysis are within acceptable range assuming access to a cluster with 256 nodes
- Run times for linear static analysis are not critical
- Higher fidelity in values of emissivity and coefficient of thermal expansion is necessary
- Computer time must be further reduced to make parameter studies feasible