

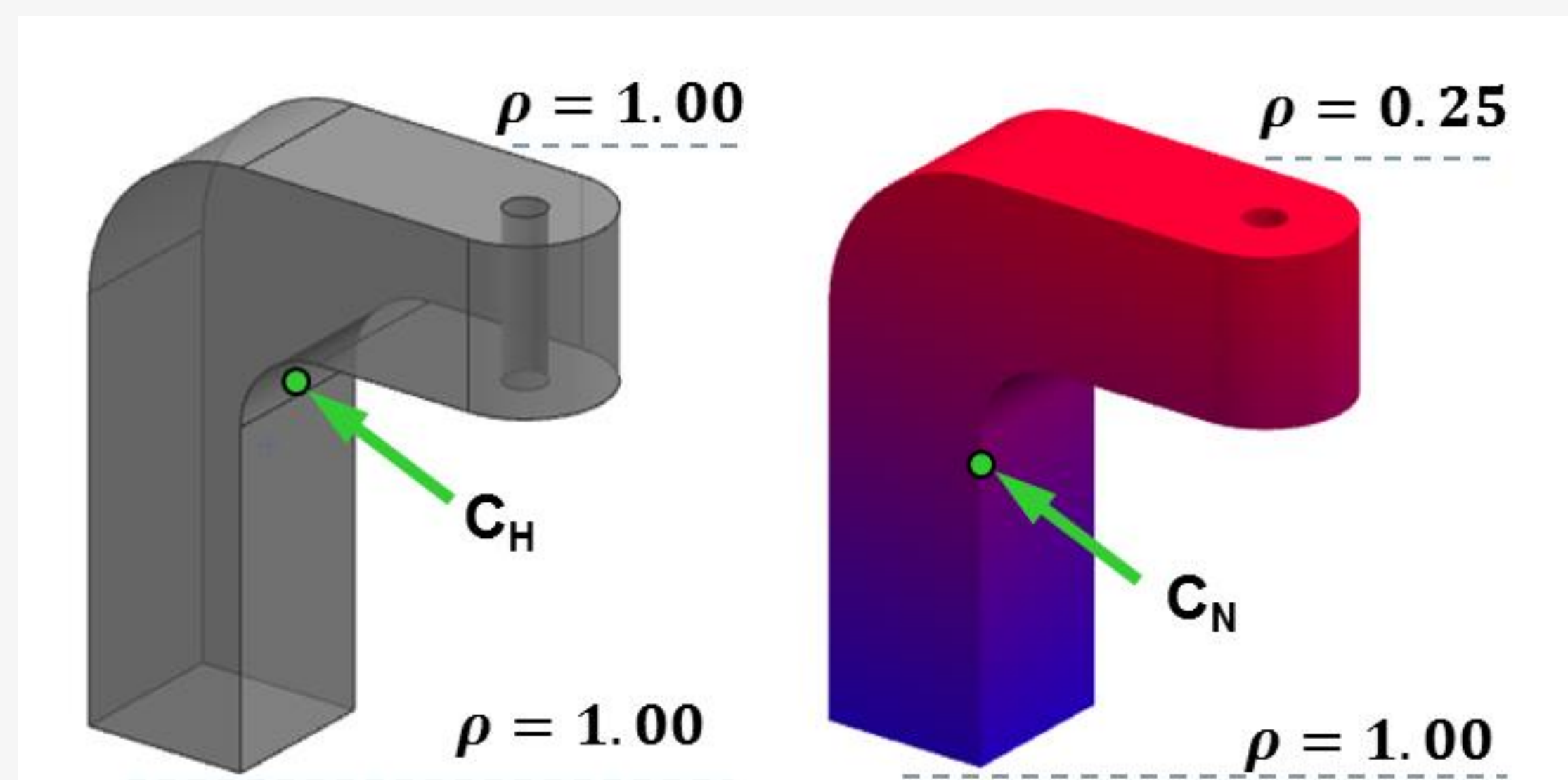
# Computing Mass Properties of Objects with Continuously Varying Density Distributions

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Additive manufacturing enables continuously varying material density distributions

Leverage material density gradation in design



Constant density  
Part unstable

Graded density  
Improved stability

Mass properties are required to compute static and dynamic behavior of objects

Mass properties are volume integrals over object S  
Existing approaches assume density  $\rho = \text{constant}$

$$\text{Volume: } v = \int_S dx dy dz \quad \text{Mass: } m = \int_S \rho dx dy dz$$

Center of mass:

$$C = \frac{1}{m} \left( \int_S x \rho dx dy dz, \int_S y \rho dx dy dz, \int_S z \rho dx dy dz \right)$$

$$\text{Moments of Inertia: } I^O = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx}^O & -I_{xy}^O & -I_{xz}^O \\ -I_{yx}^O & I_{yy}^O & -I_{yz}^O \\ -I_{zx}^O & -I_{zy}^O & I_{zz}^O \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I_{xx}^O = \int_S (y^2 + z^2) \rho dx dy dz \quad I_{xy}^O = I_{yx}^O = \int_S xy \rho dx dy dz$$

$$I_{yy}^O = \int_S (z^2 + x^2) \rho dx dy dz \quad I_{xz}^O = I_{zx}^O = \int_S xz \rho dx dy dz$$

$$I_{zz}^O = \int_S (x^2 + y^2) \rho dx dy dz \quad I_{yz}^O = I_{zy}^O = \int_S yz \rho dx dy dz$$

Proposed Method: Adaptive numerical integration algorithm using Shunn-Ham Quadrature Rules

1. Triangulate object S surface. Pick reference point Q.
2. For each triangle ABC, construct tetrahedron T with vertices QABC.

3. Compute mass properties of tetrahedron T

- a. If integrand is polynomial (degree  $d \leq p$ ), compute exact integral using Shunn-Ham precision 'd' rule

$$\int_T f dx dy dz = v \sum_{j=1}^m w_j f(N_j)$$

- b. Else, compute integral using Shunn-Ham precision 'p' rule with adaptive subdivision of tetrahedron

$$\int_T f dx dy dz \approx v \sum_{j=1}^m w_j f(N_j)$$

4. Aggregate mass properties of tetrahedra

$$\int_S f dx dy dz \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{T_i} f dx dy dz$$

Validation on Unit Tetrahedron

Mass property	Proposed Method (Quartic Precision)	Actual (Mathematica) $\rho = 1 + x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2$
m	0.266666	4/15 = 0.266666
(C <sub>x</sub> , C <sub>y</sub> , C <sub>z</sub> )	(0.239583, 0.260416, 0.281250)	(23/96 = 0.239583, 25/96 = 0.260416, 9/32 = 0.281250)
I <sub>xx</sub> ; I <sub>yy</sub> ; I <sub>zz</sub>	0.281250; 0.029365; 0.033333	8/315 = 0.025396; 37/1260 = 0.029365; 1/30 = 0.033333
I <sub>xy</sub> ; I <sub>yz</sub> ; I <sub>zx</sub>	0.013095; 0.014682; 0.013888	11/840 = 0.013095; 37/2520 = 0.014682; 1/72 = 0.013888

Mass property	Proposed Method (Quartic Precision)	Actual (Mathematica) $\rho = \cos(x)\cos(y)\cos(z)$
m	0.142829976	(1/8)(-Cos[1]+2Sin[1]) = 0.142829957
(C <sub>x</sub> , C <sub>y</sub> , C <sub>z</sub> )	(0.245475760, 0.245475760, 0.245475760)	C <sub>x</sub> = C <sub>y</sub> = C <sub>z</sub> = Sin[1]/(3 (-Cos[1]+2 Sin[1])) = 0.245475749
I <sub>xx</sub> ; I <sub>yy</sub> ; I <sub>zz</sub>	0.013653457; 0.013653457; 0.013653458	I <sub>xx</sub> = I <sub>yy</sub> = I <sub>zz</sub> = 1/48 (9 Cos[1]-5 Sin[1]) = 0.013653454
I <sub>xy</sub> ; I <sub>yz</sub> ; I <sub>zx</sub>	0.007014365; 0.007014365; 0.007014365	I <sub>xy</sub> = I <sub>yz</sub> = I <sub>zx</sub> = 1/96 (-19 Cos[1]+13 Sin[1]) = 0.007014364