# Lecture 11: Three-dimensional topology optimization. Domain Decomposition methods and parallel computing.

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Our goal: solve generic topology optimization problems of the type

$$\min_{\Gamma} \quad J(\Gamma, \boldsymbol{v}(\Gamma), \boldsymbol{p}(\Gamma), \mathcal{T}(\Gamma), \boldsymbol{u}(\Gamma)) \\ \text{s.c.} \quad g_i(\Gamma, \boldsymbol{v}(\Gamma), \boldsymbol{p}(\Gamma), \mathcal{T}(\Gamma), \boldsymbol{u}(\Gamma)) = 0, \ 1 \le i \le p \cdot h_i(\Gamma, \boldsymbol{v}(\Gamma), \boldsymbol{p}(\Gamma), \mathcal{T}(\Gamma), \boldsymbol{u}(\Gamma)) \le 0, \ 1 \le i \le q$$

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