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DESIGN PROCESS

Calculations

Model the forces acting on the car
Derive equations to predict expected forces during maximum braking
Predicted internal pressure of the system

Simulation

Model the system in SOLIDWORKS and perform stress analysis
Generate heat maps across the rotor face and determine maximum thermal stresses

Component Selection

Select the master cylinders, calipers, brake routing and fittings
Select suitable material for rotors and brake pads

Fatigue

Analyze fatigue on individual components

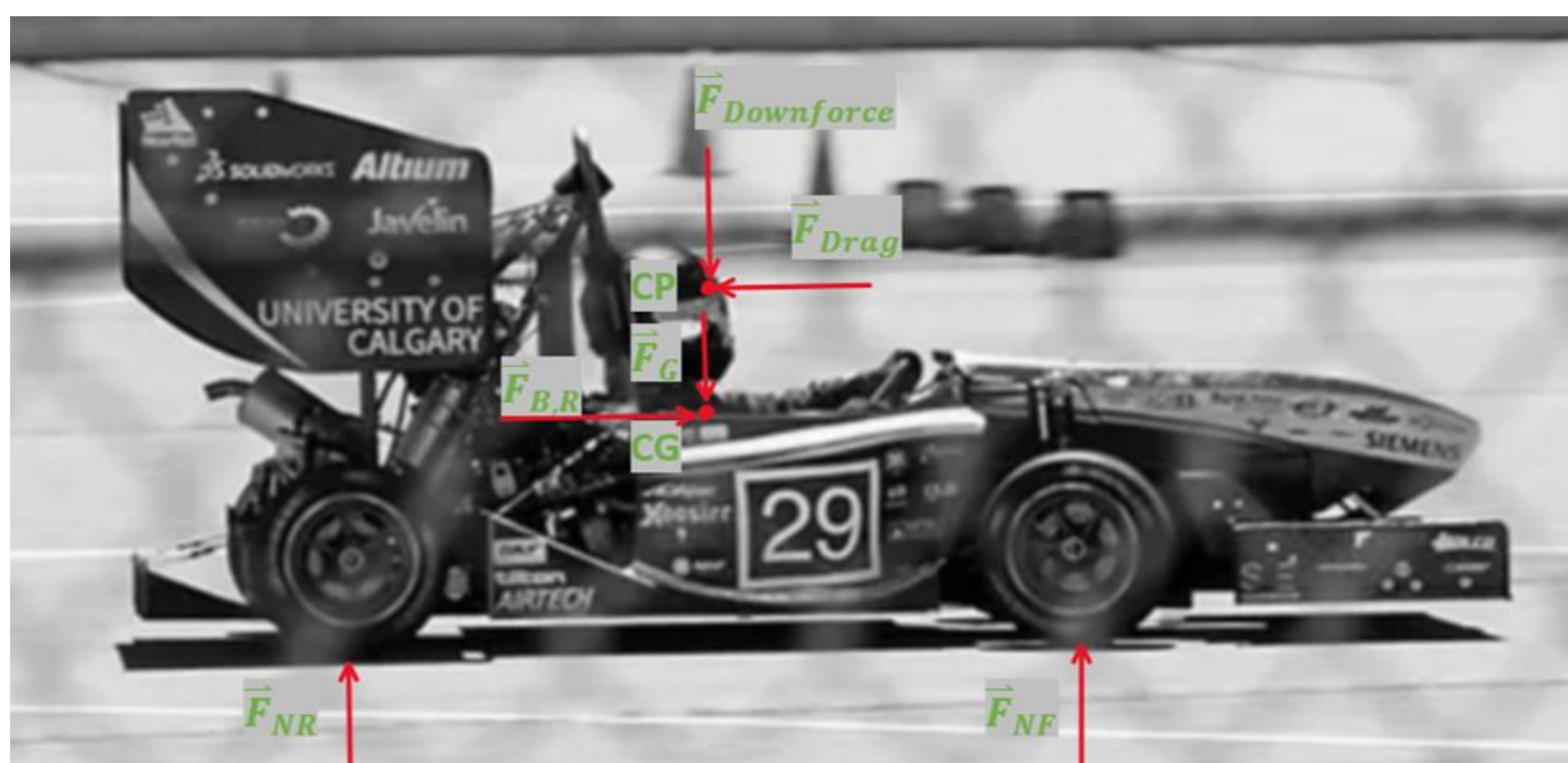


Figure 1. Force-moment Diagram

ASSEMBLY

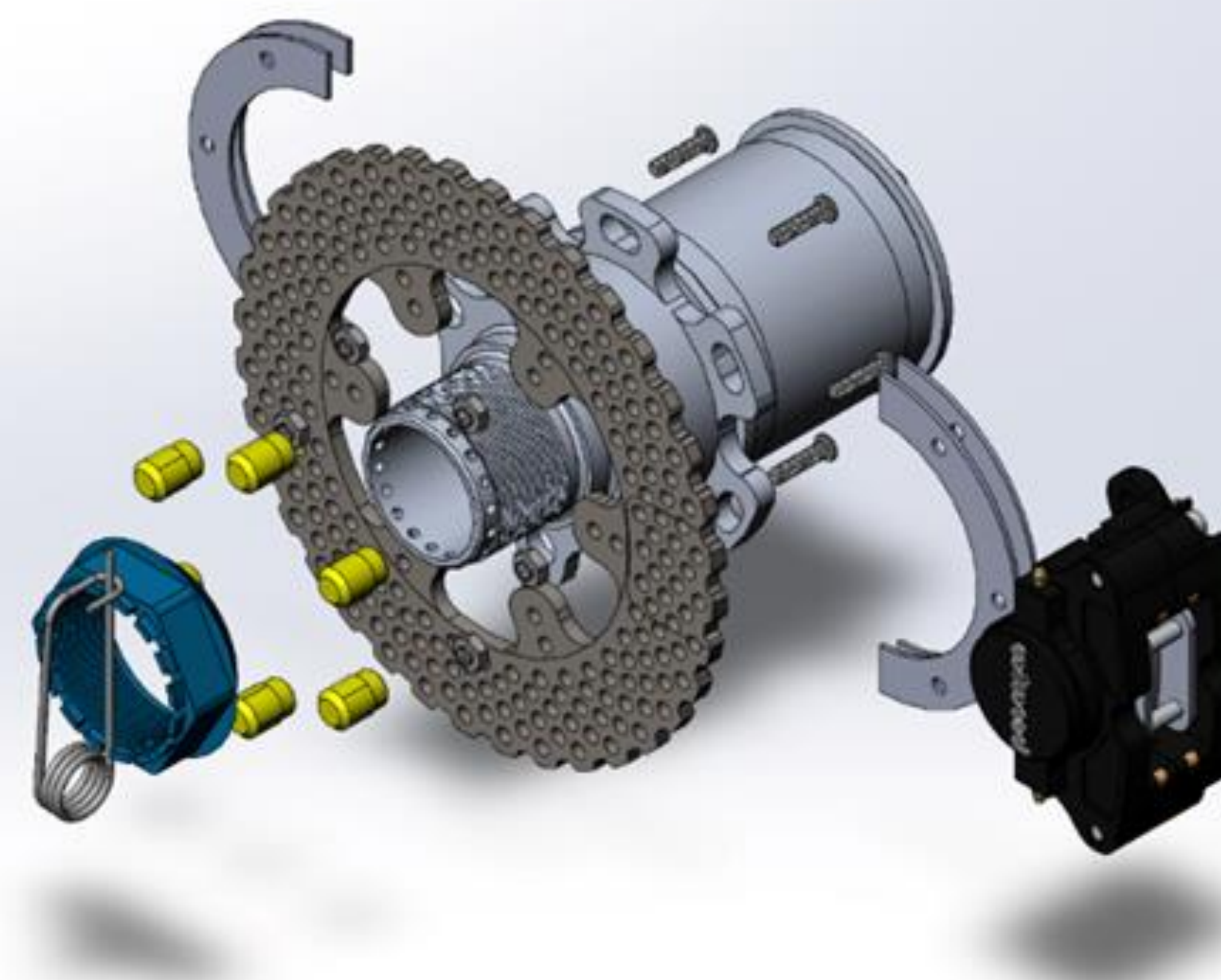


Figure 2. Wheel hub assembly

TESTING

Determine the best combination of materials and designs to optimize temperature control, brake fade, pad wear, and line pressure.

Temperature Rise: Measure rotor surface temperature during braking

Brake fade: Temporary reduction in braking power due to overheating

Pad Wear: To estimate pad and rotor life expectancy

Line Pressure: How much pressure is required to generate adequate braking force

PERFORMANCE

Lightweight: Our design is 100 grams lighter than the original

Minimal brake fade: Braking force remains consistent even under hard braking conditions

Consistent braking feel: Stopping force is equally distributed on both side of the car

Responsive: Braking and release occur instantaneously

Robust design: The design is resilient to environmental conditions

Economical: Final design was built within budget

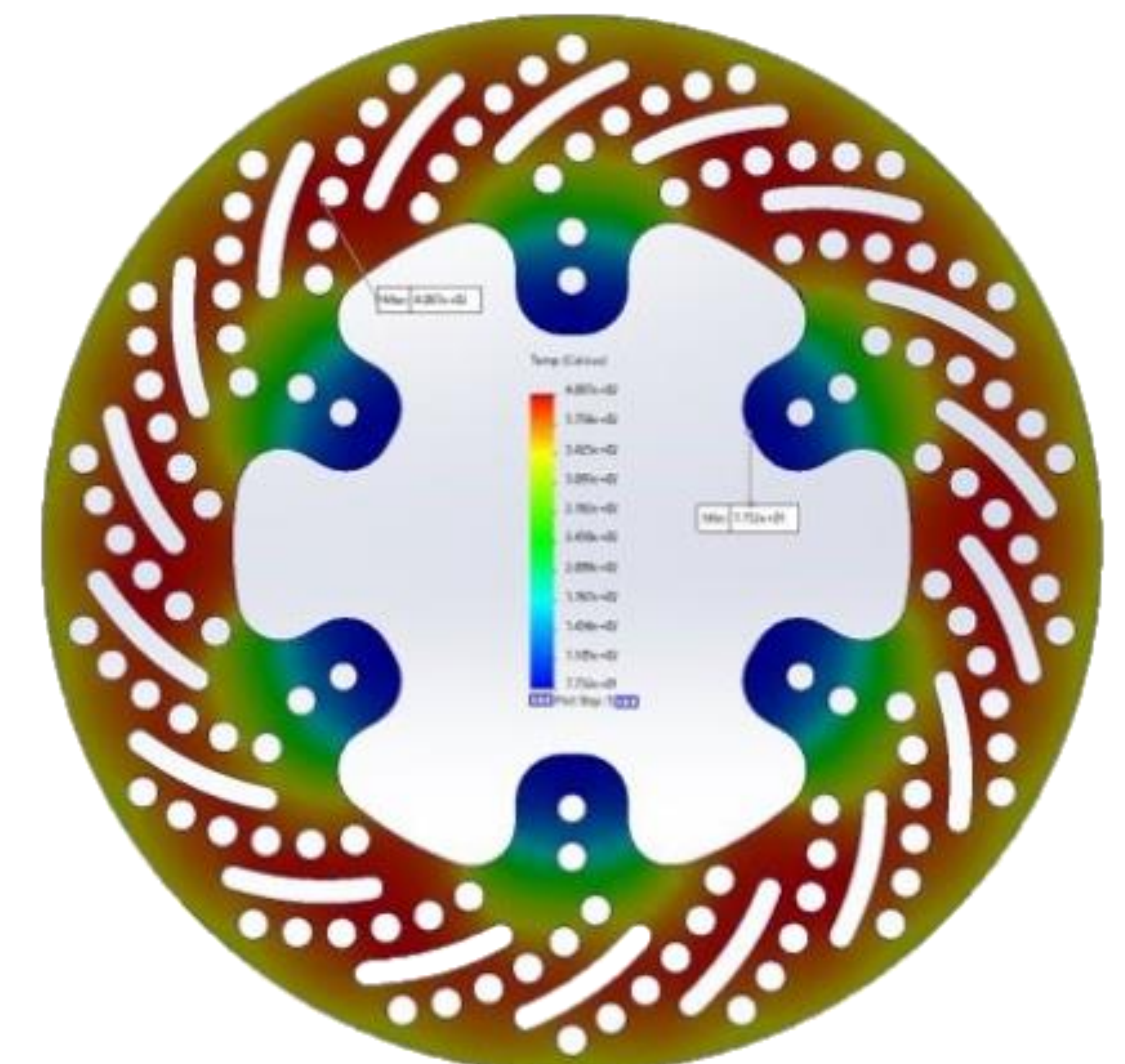


Figure 3. Rotor thermal simulation