

**MAGMA**

# Optimizing Gating Design For Iron Casting



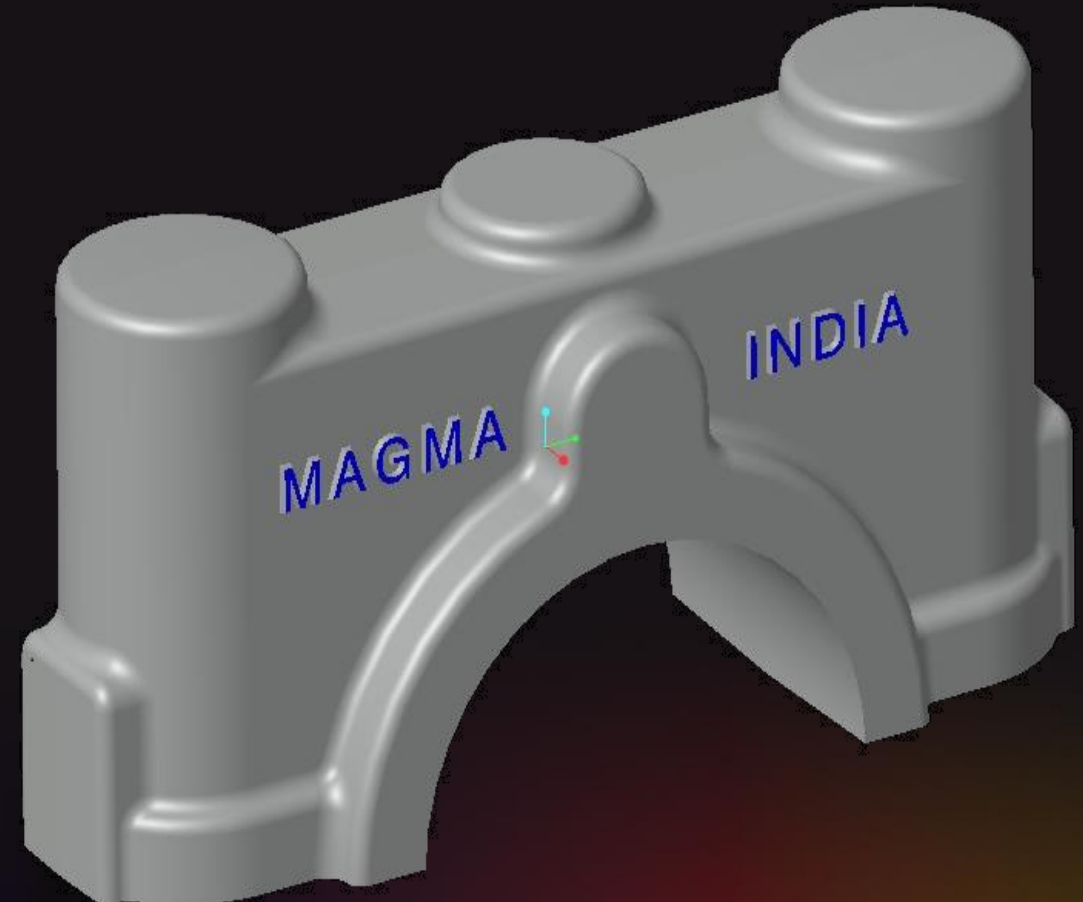
# Gating System Design For- IRON

## HPML-Vertical Green Sand Molding Process

Description : Bearing CAP-MAGMA

Material Type : Ductile Iron / GJS-400

Casting Weight : 1.60 Kg



# STEP-01 : To find the feedmod from CAD :

## Mass Properties :

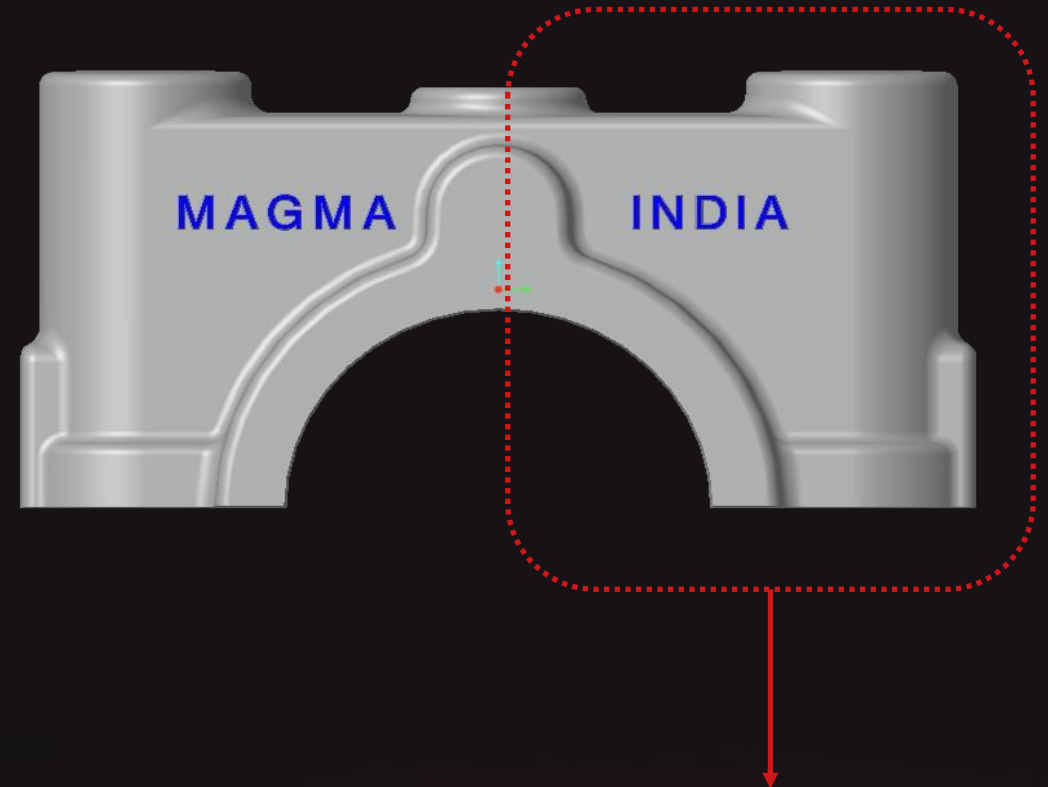
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→ Surface area of the casting,  $A_c = 28.96 \text{ mm}^2$

→ Formula,  $Mc = V_c, \text{ mm}^3 / A_c, \text{ mm}^2$

→  $Mc = 219.3, \text{ mm}^3 / 28.96, \text{ mm}^2 ; 7.58 \text{ mm}$

**$Mc = 8 \text{ mm (or) } 0.8 \text{ cm, Approx.}$**

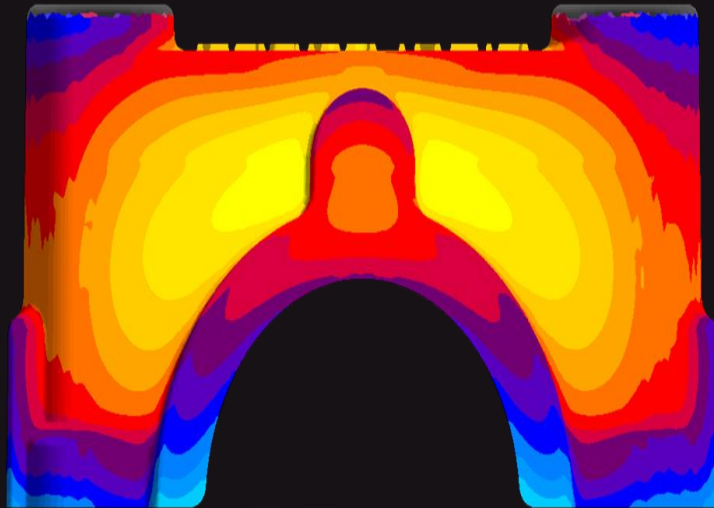


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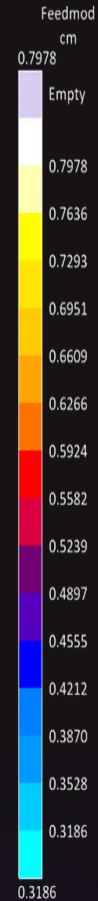
# STEP-02: To find feedmod from MAGMASOFT® :

Feed Modulus

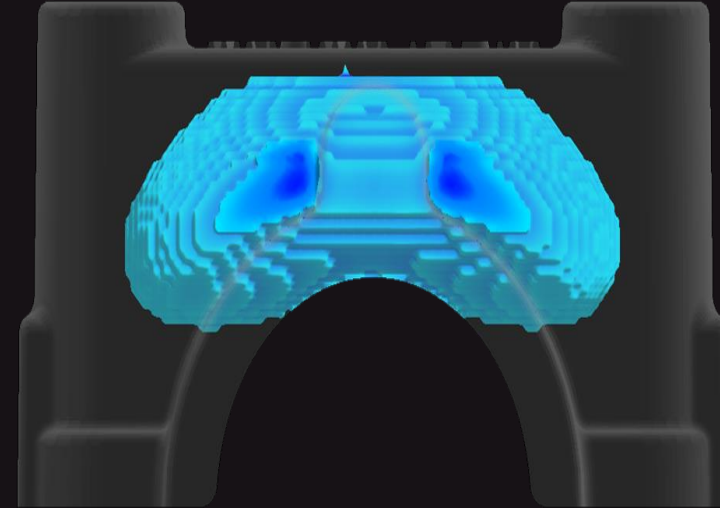


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Solidification & Cooling, Feedmod  
21min 13.5s  
X-Ray: on

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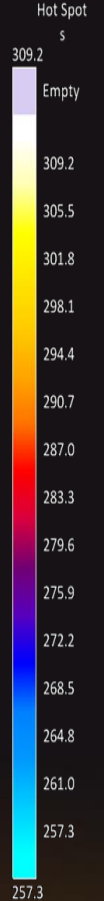


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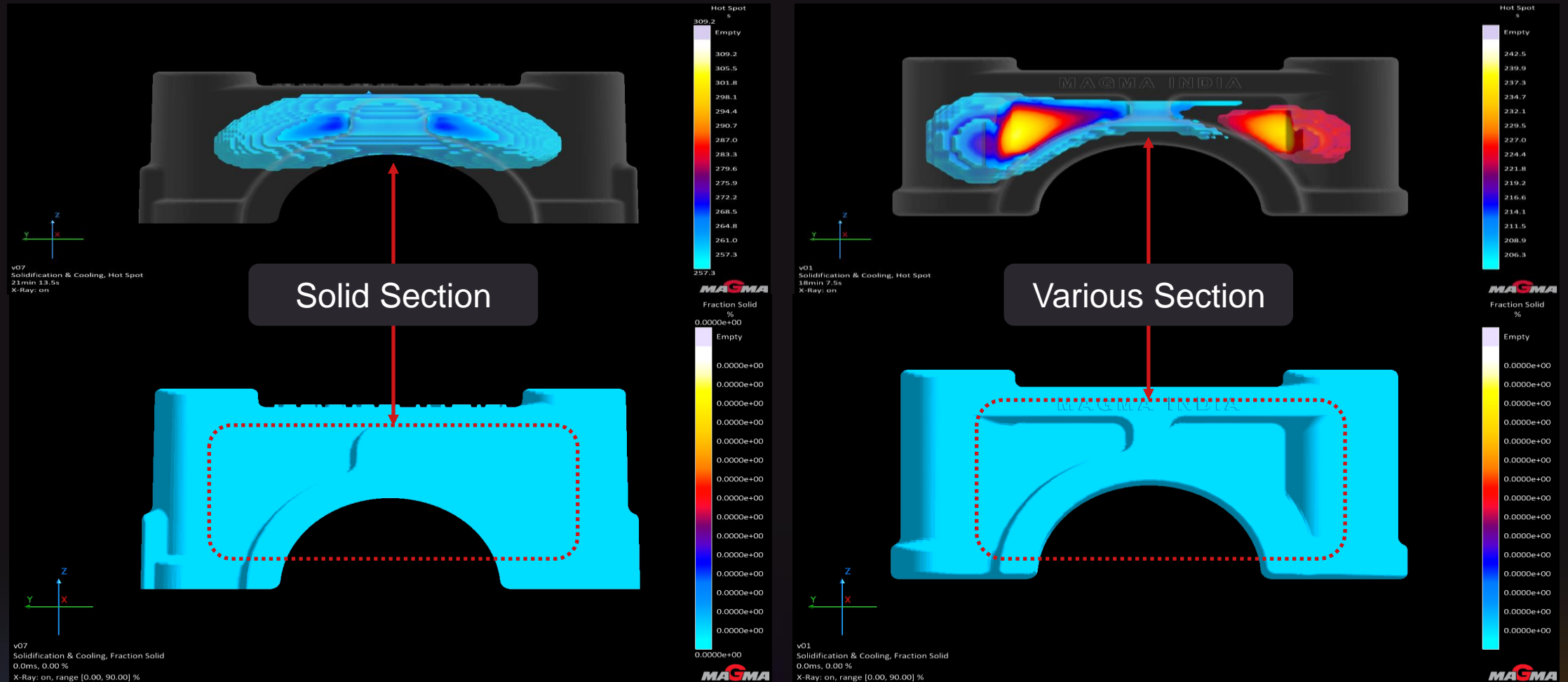


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Hotspot : 309.2 sec



# STEP-03: Understanding of Directional Solidification :



# STEP-04 : Feeder Design Calculation:

→ Measured  $M_c = 8 \text{ mm}$  (or)  $0.8 \text{ cm}$ , Approx.

→ Feedmod,  $M_F = M_c \cdot 1.2 \text{ to } 1.4$  for SG iron

→ Feedmod,  $M_F = M_c \cdot 1.2 \text{ to } 0.8$  for Grey Iron

→  $M_F = M_c \cdot 1.2$  ;  $0.8 \cdot 1.2 = 0.96 \text{ cm}$ , min

→  $M_F (\text{cylinder}) = 3 \cdot D_F / 16$  ;  $M_F (\text{Sphere}) = D_F / 6$ , cm

→  $V_F (\text{cy}) = 3 \cdot \pi \cdot D_F^3 / 8$  ;  $V_F (\text{Sphere}) = \pi \cdot D_F^3 / 16$ , cm



$D_F (\text{sphere}) = M_F \cdot 6$  ;  $5.76 \text{ cm}$  (or)  $\varnothing 60$  Approx.

$V_F (\text{Sphere}) = (\pi \cdot D_F^3 / 6) / 1000$ ,  $\text{mm}^3$  ;  $113.2 \text{ mm}^3$

$W_F (\text{Sphere}) = (V_F \cdot L_p) / 1000$ , Kg ;  $0.82 \text{ Kg}$ , Min

**Note :** If any space constrain in mold, we can slightly optimize feeder dia with maintained wt :  $0.82 \text{ Kg}$



# STEEP-05: Feeder Neck Design Calculation:

→ Measured  $M_F = 0.96 \text{ cm}$  (or) **1.0 cm**, Approx.

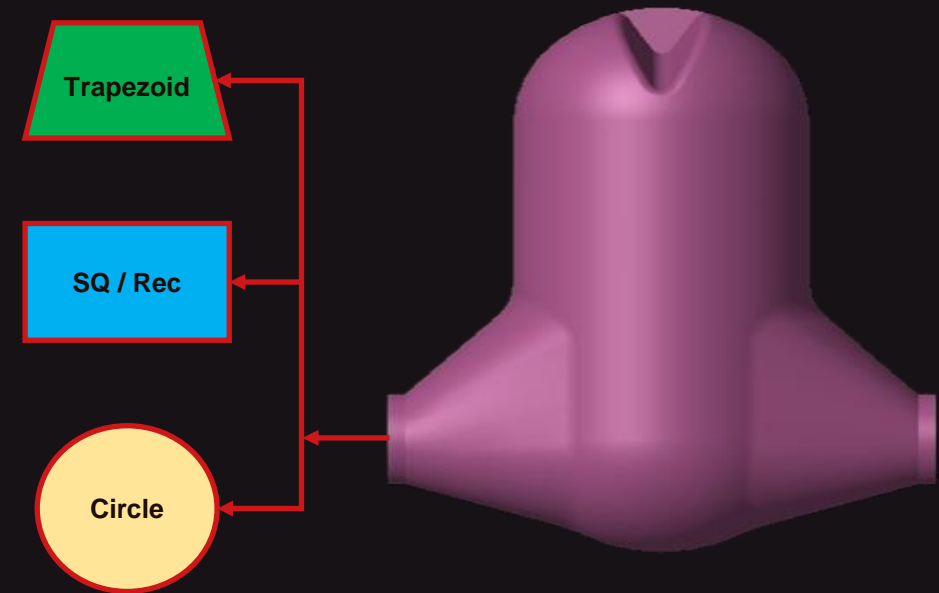
→ Feedmod,  $M_N = M_F / 2$ , min for SG iron,

→ Feedmod,  $M_N = M_F / 3$ , min for Grey Iron

→  $M_N = M_F / 2$  ;  $1 / 2 = \mathbf{0.50 \text{ cm}}$ , min

→  $M_N = a / 4$  (for SQ) &  $M_N = D / 4$  (for Dia)

→  $M_N = D / 4$ , cm ;  $D = (M_N * 4 * 10)$ , in mm



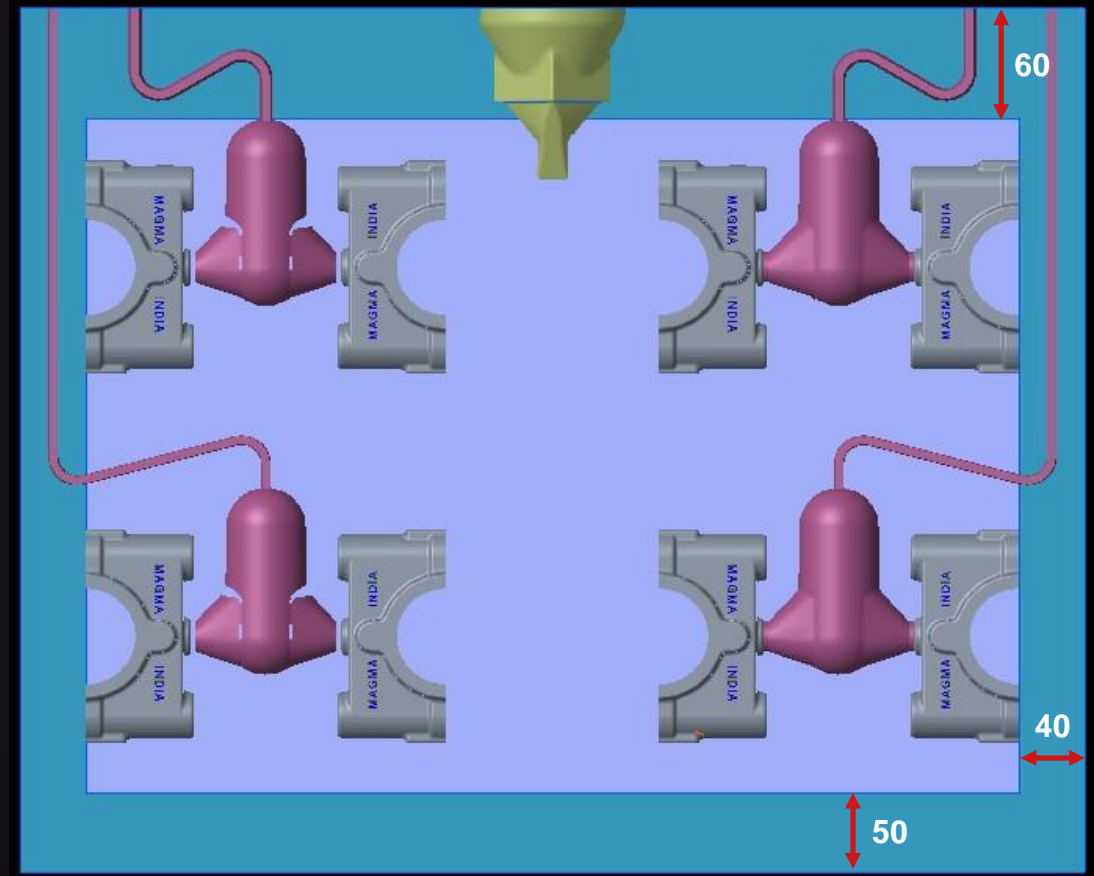
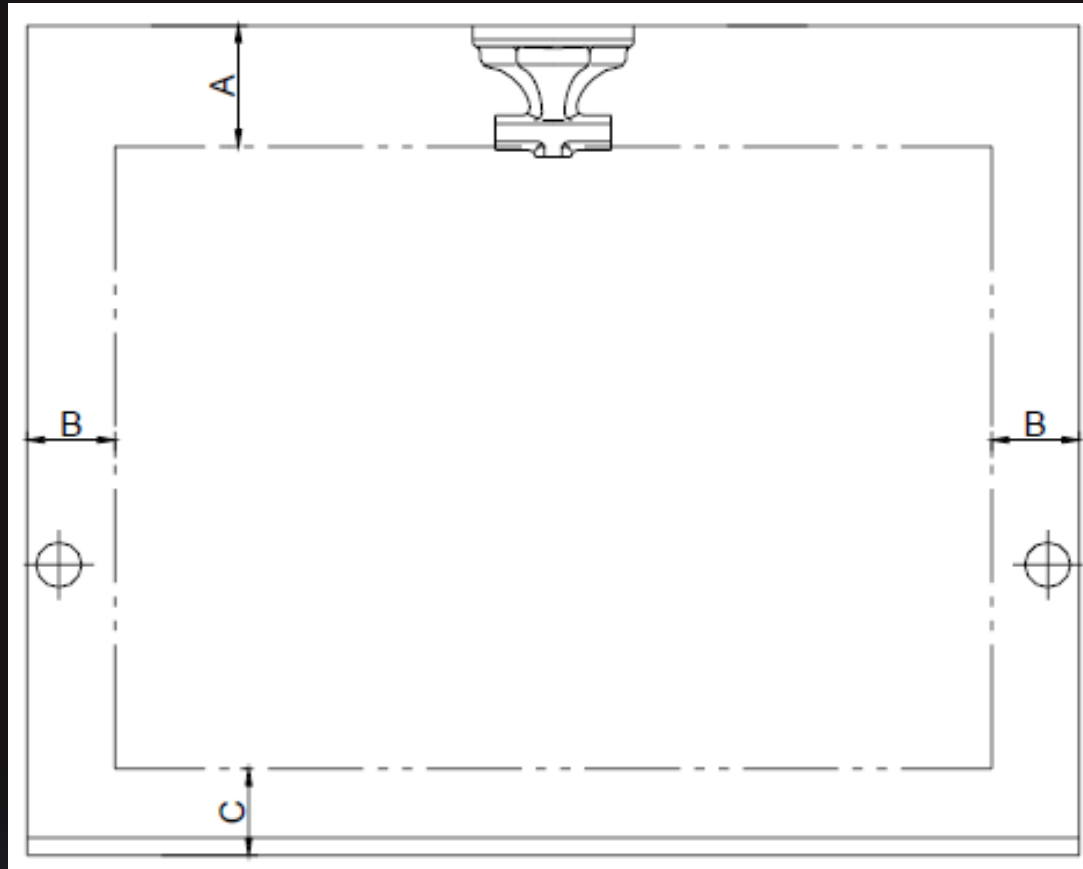
$$D = (M_N * 4 * 10) ; (0.5 * 4 * 10) ; \text{Ø}20, \text{ in mm}$$

$$A_N = (\pi / 4 * D^2) ; (0.7854 * 20^2) ; 314 \text{ mm}^2, \text{ min}$$

**Note :** We can follow any geom for neck design with maintained calculated min neck area **314 mm<sup>2</sup>**



# STEP-06: Pattern Layout & Mold Utilization:



**Note :** With followed specific m/c safety distances from edges of the molds we should arrive the layout



# STEP-07: Gate Area Calculation (Ac):

→ For Iron, Gate Area,  $A_c = (1036 * W_c) / (Fr * t * \sqrt{H})$ , Here  $A_c$  bottom : **88mm<sup>2</sup>** /  $A_c$  top : **147mm<sup>2</sup>**

→ **1036** - Gravity acceleration of liquid metal @1400°C in density 6.9 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, (Default) / **1036**

→ **W<sub>c</sub>** - Casting weight including feeder, in Kg (**≠ Here, Do not apply Bunch wt.,**) / **5.20 Kg**

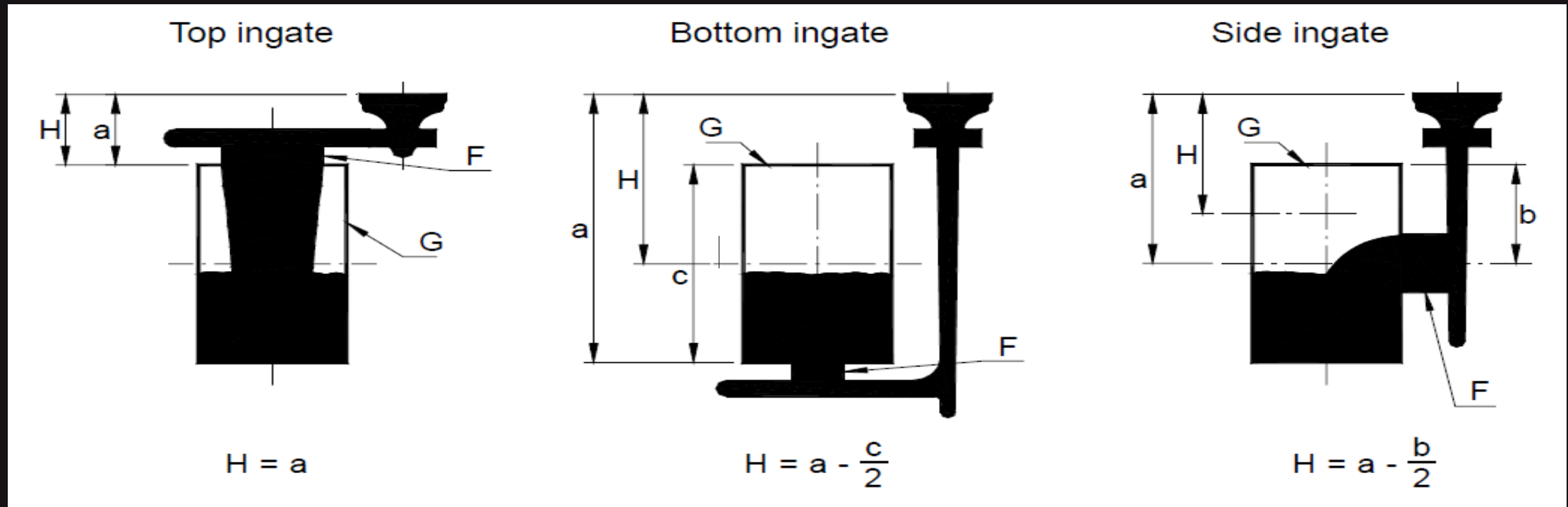
→ **Fr** - Friction factor ;  $Fr = \text{Fluidity (k)} / 40$  (for Iron) ;  $k = (14.91 * \text{CEL}) + (0.05 * T^{\circ}\text{F}) - 155$  / **0.9**

→ **t** - Time to take fill cavity alone, in sec ;  $t = \sqrt{2.2 * W_c}$  ;  $t = \sqrt{2.2 * 5.2}$  / **3.3 sec**

→  **$\sqrt{H}$**  - Ferro static height with respective feeding type (**≠ Top / Side / Bot**) / **H1-19.13 & H2-11.44**



# Ferro static Calculation ( $\sqrt{H}$ ):



→  $\sqrt{H}$  indicates - Ferro static height with respective feeding type ( $\neq$  Top / Bottom / Side Ingate)

→ Reference from DISAmatic



# STEP-08: Non-Pressurized Gating Design:

Ref Gating Ratio :  $A_G > A_{R \text{ Horizontal}} > A_{R \text{ Vertical}}$

$A_G = 1 > A_{R \text{ Hor}} = A_G * 0.8 > A_{R \text{ Vertical}} = A_{R \text{ Hor}} * 0.8$

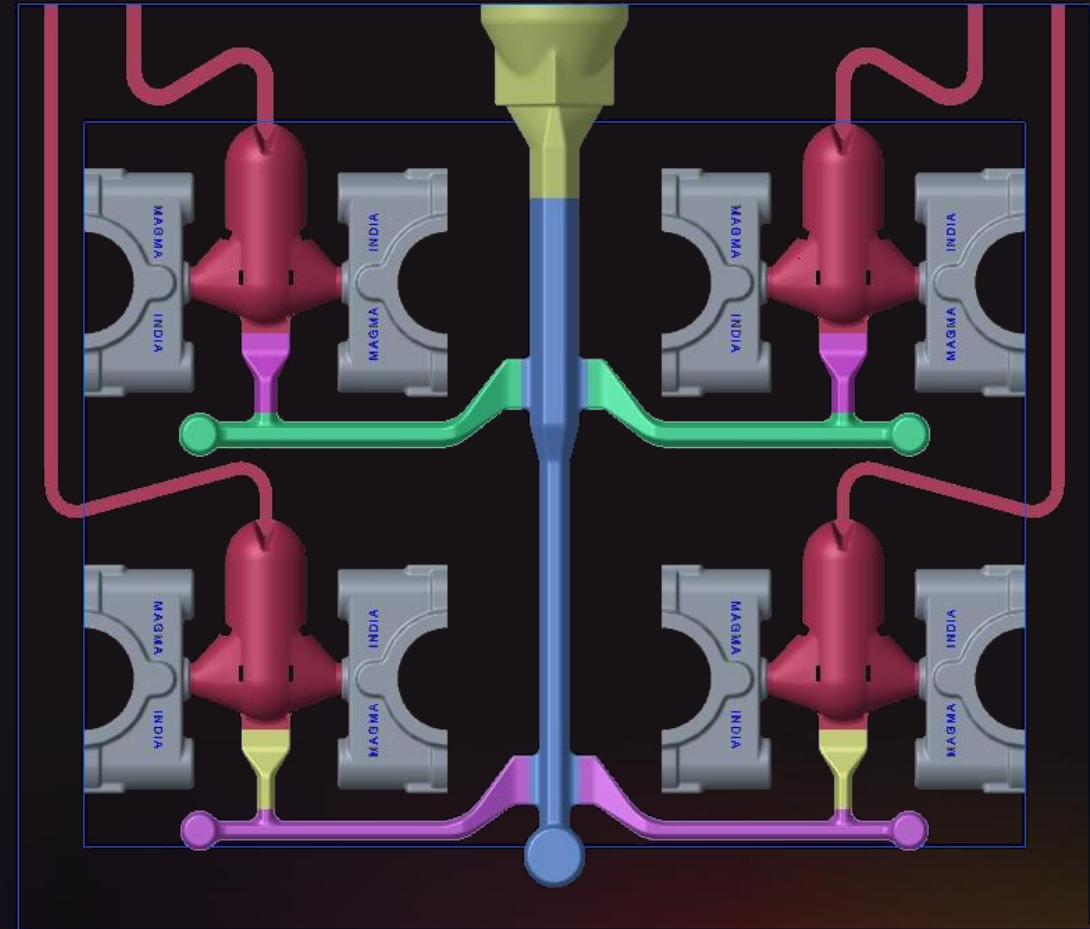
$A_{G1} = 88 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R1 \text{ Hor}} = 70 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R1 \text{ Ver}} = 112 \text{ mm}^2$

**Note** :  $A_{R1 \text{ Ver}} = (A_{R1 \text{ Hor}} * 2) * 0.8 = 112 \text{ mm}^2$

$A_{G2} = 147 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R2 \text{ Hor}} = 118 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R2 \text{ Ver}} = 300 \text{ mm}^2$

**Note** :  $A_{R2 \text{ Ver}} = (A_{R2 \text{ Hor}} * 2) * 0.8 + A_{R1 \text{ Ver}} = 300 \text{ mm}^2$

Est, Bunch wt : **23.5 Kg** ; Filling time = **7.2 sec**



# STEP-09: Pressurized Gating Design:

Ref Gating Ratio :  $A_g < A_{R \text{ Horizontal}} < A_{R \text{ Vertical}}$

$A_g = 1 < A_{R \text{ Hor}} = A_g * 1.2 < A_{R \text{ Vertical}} = A_{R \text{ Hor}} * 1.2$

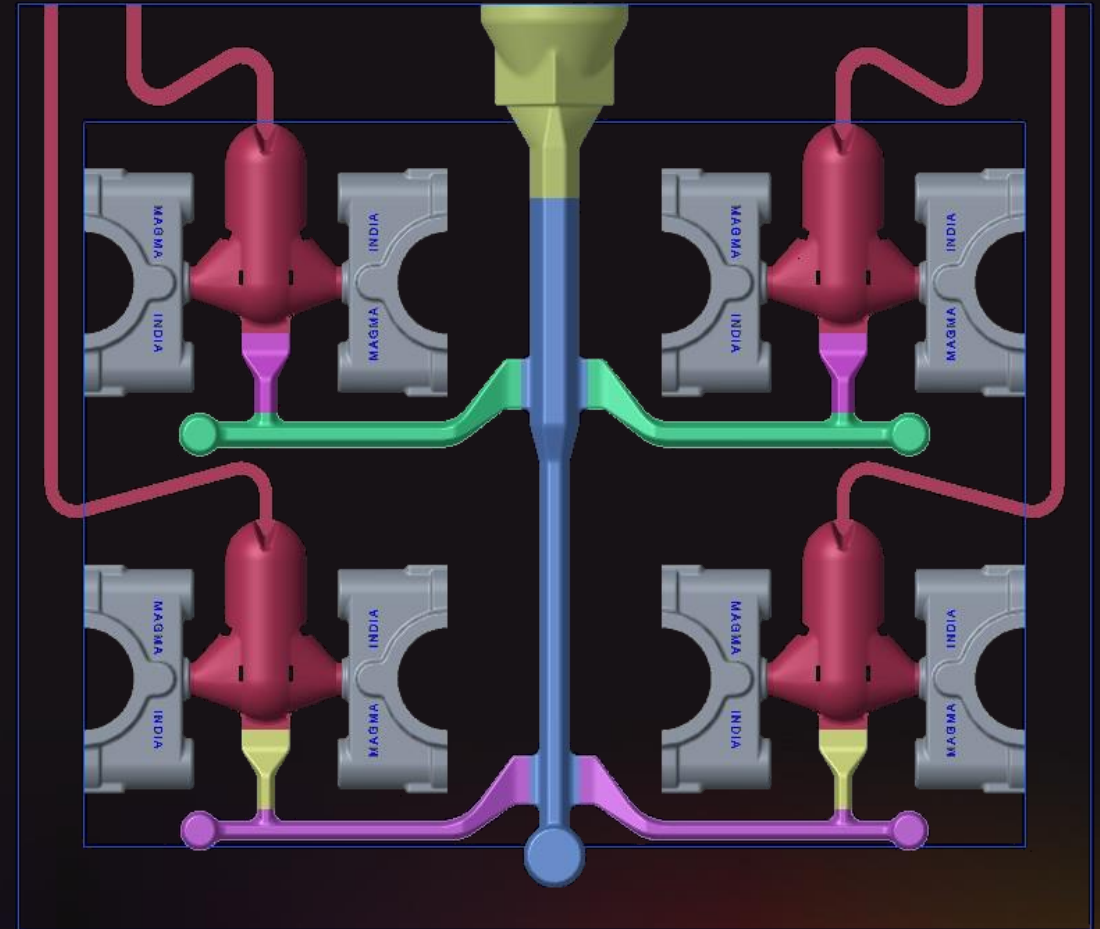
$A_{g1} = 88 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R1 \text{ Hor}} = 106 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R1 \text{ Ver}} = ?$

**Note** :  $A_{R1 \text{ Ver}} = (A_{R1 \text{ Hor}} * 2) * 1.2 = 255 \text{ mm}^2$

$A_{g2} = 147 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R2 \text{ Hor}} = 176 \text{ mm}^2$  ;  $A_{R2 \text{ Ver}} = ?$

**Note** :  $A_{R2 \text{ Ver}} = (A_{R2 \text{ Hor}} * 2) * 1.2 + A_{R1 \text{ Ver}} = 677 \text{ mm}^2$

Est, Bunch wt : **24.80 Kg** ; Filling time = **7.4 sec**

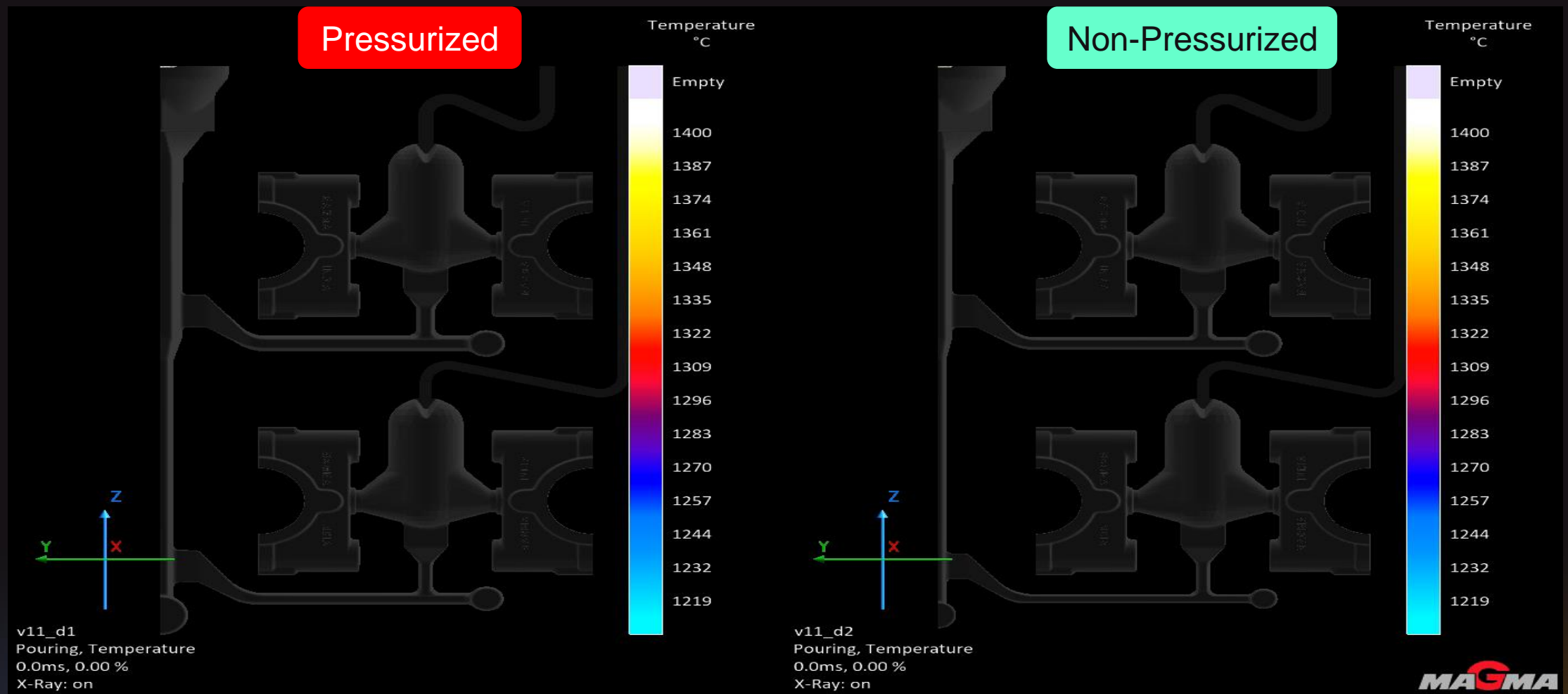


# Gating Validation

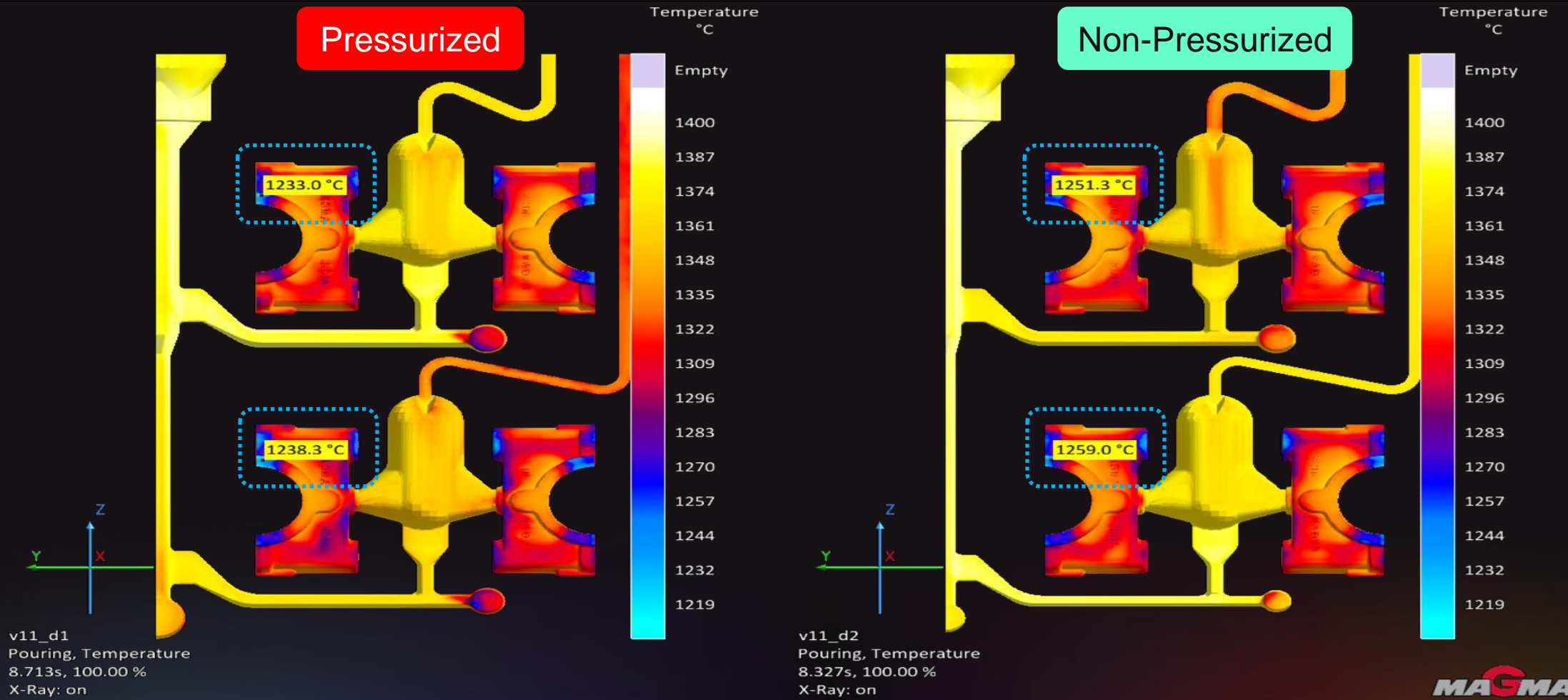
## Pressurized **vs** Non-Pressurized



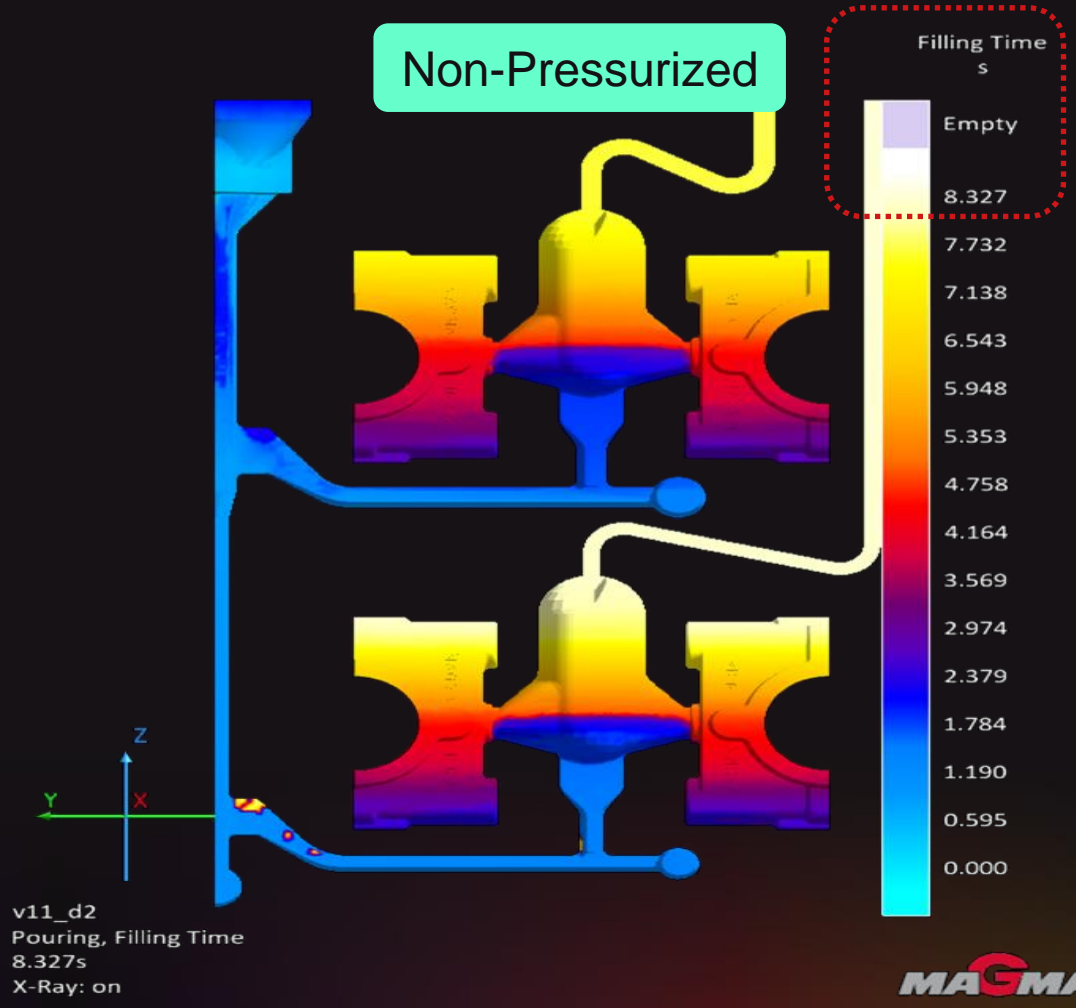
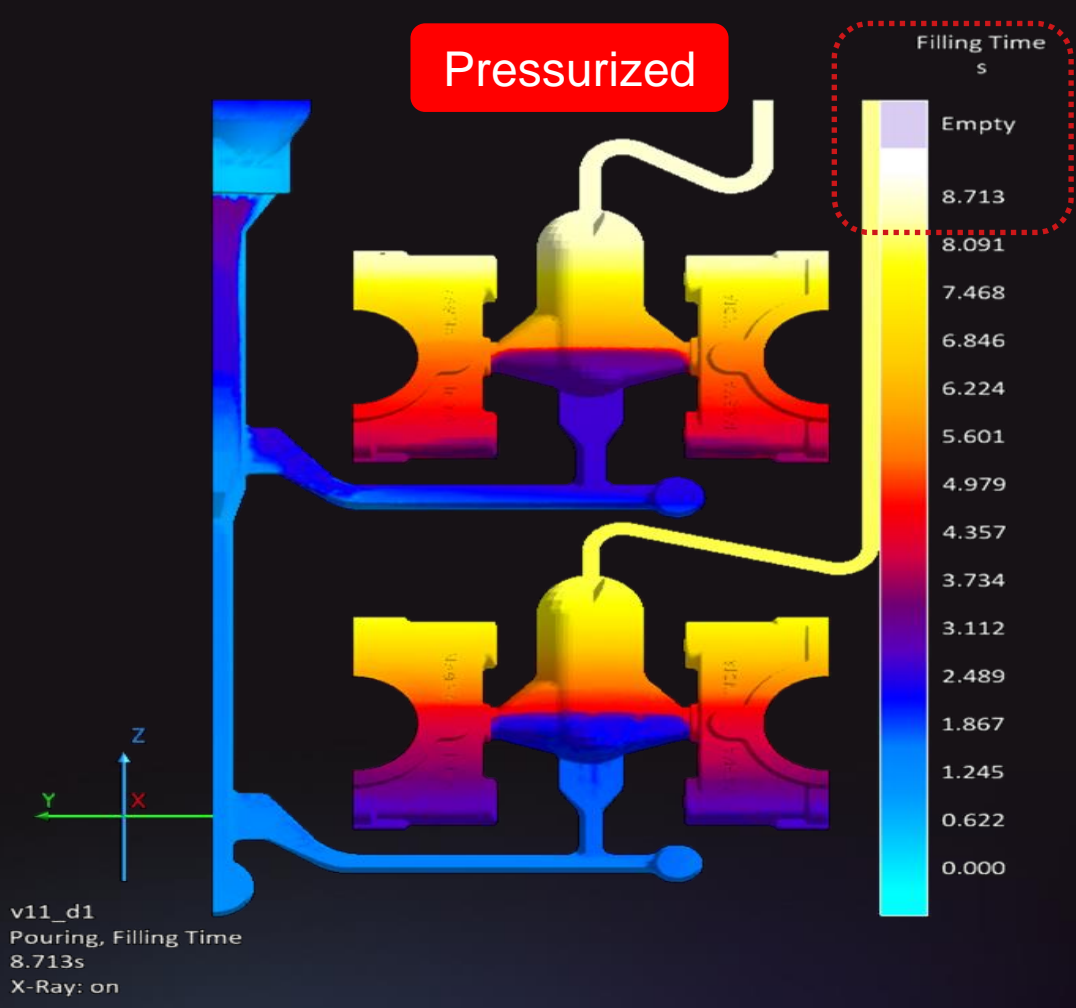
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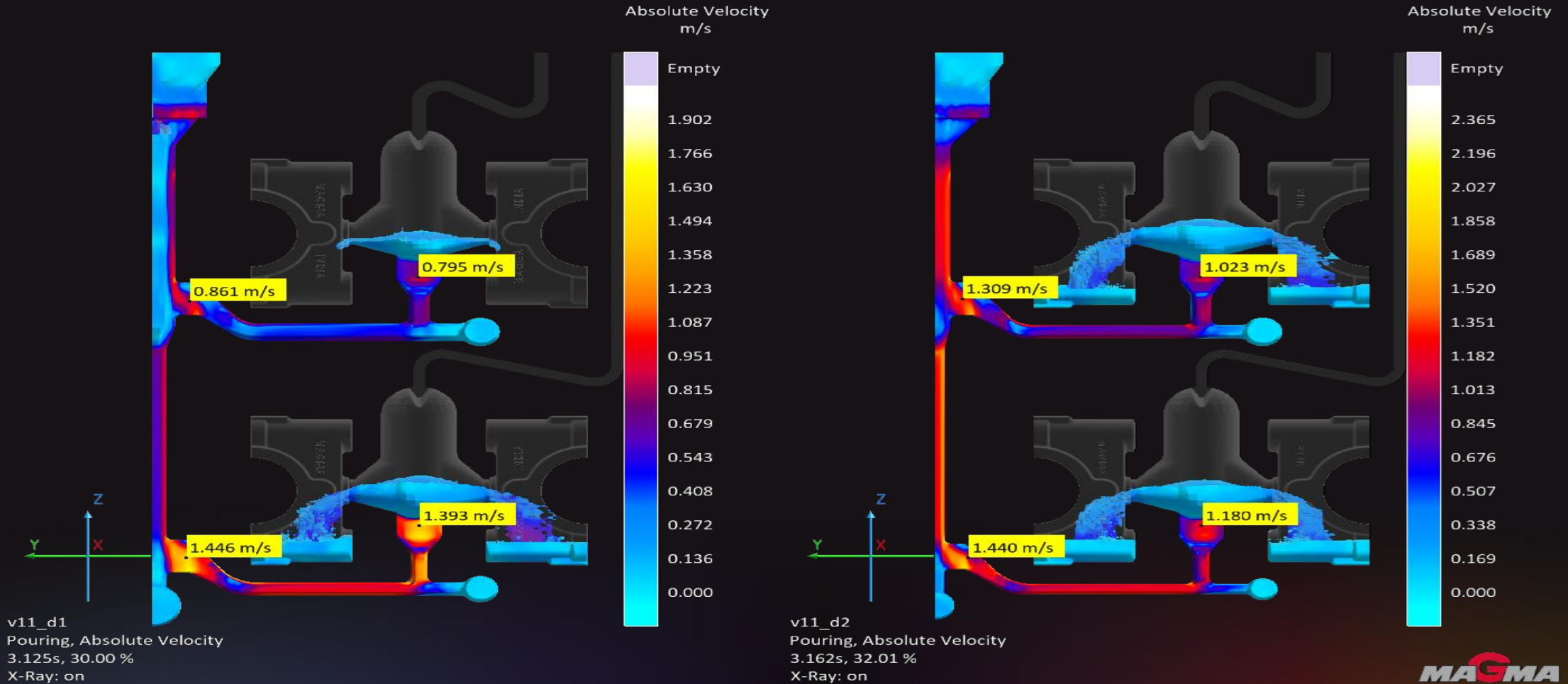
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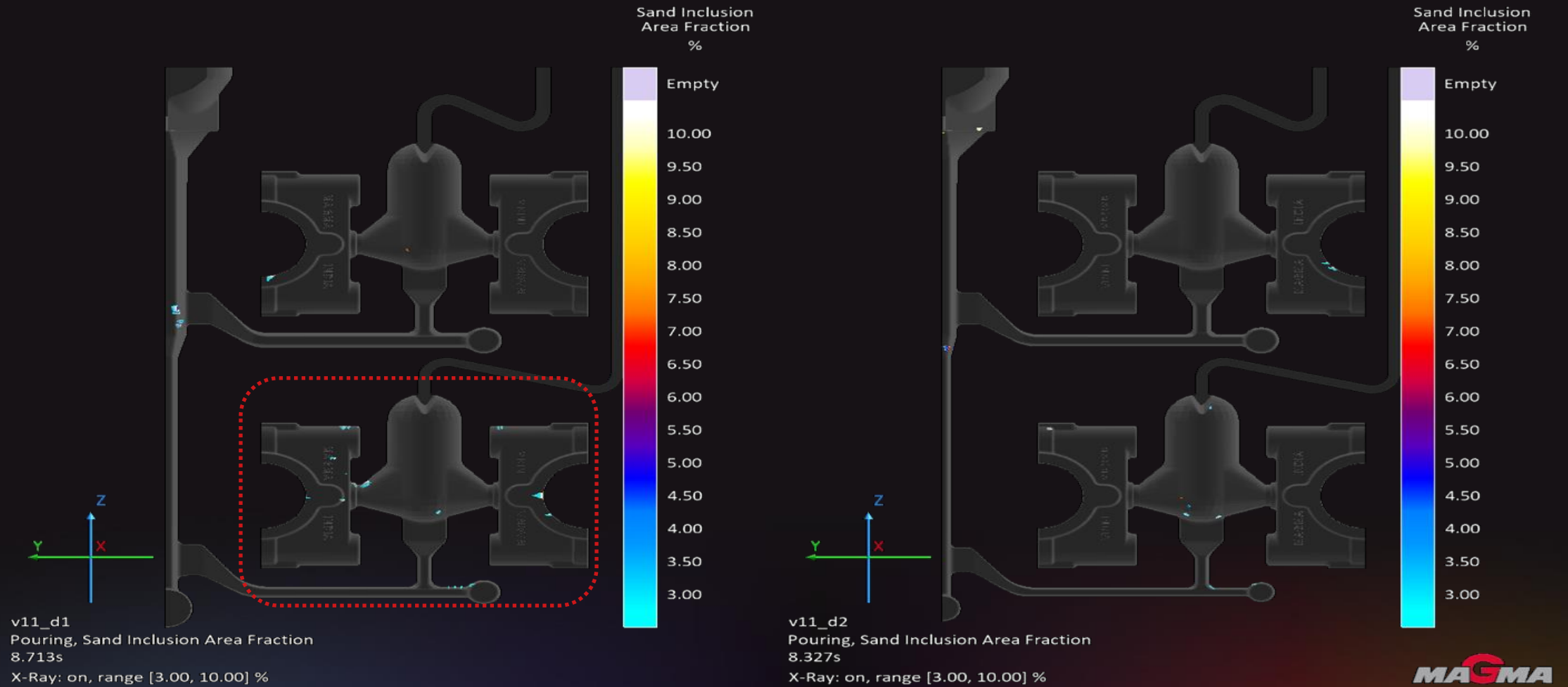
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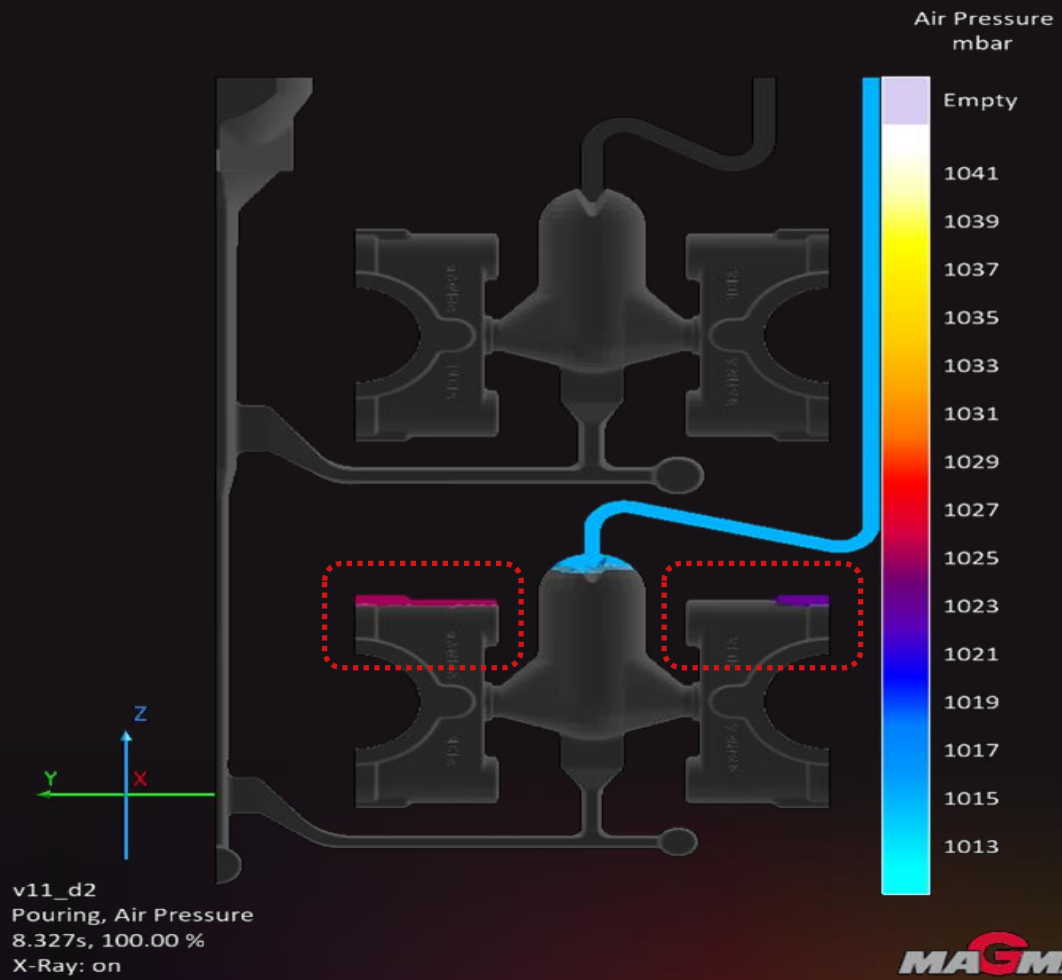
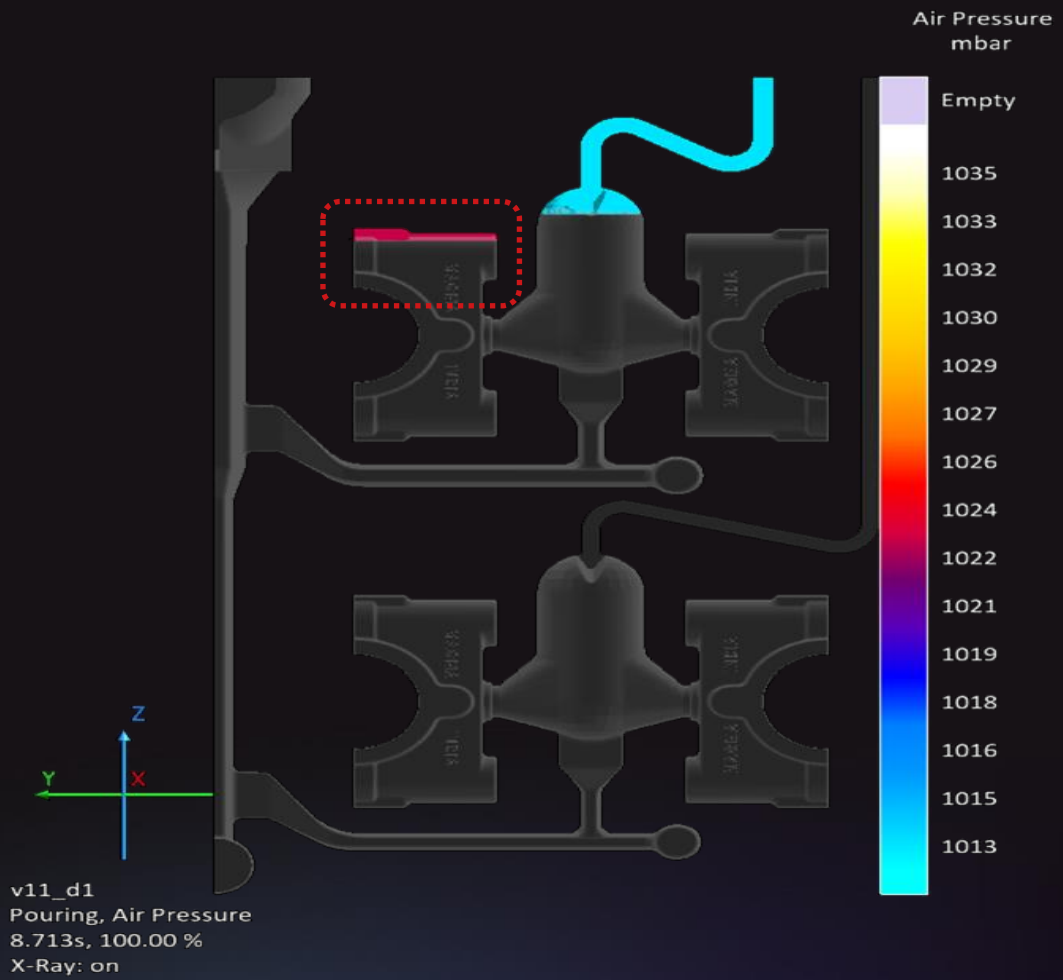
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# Air Pressure Comparison:



## Conc:

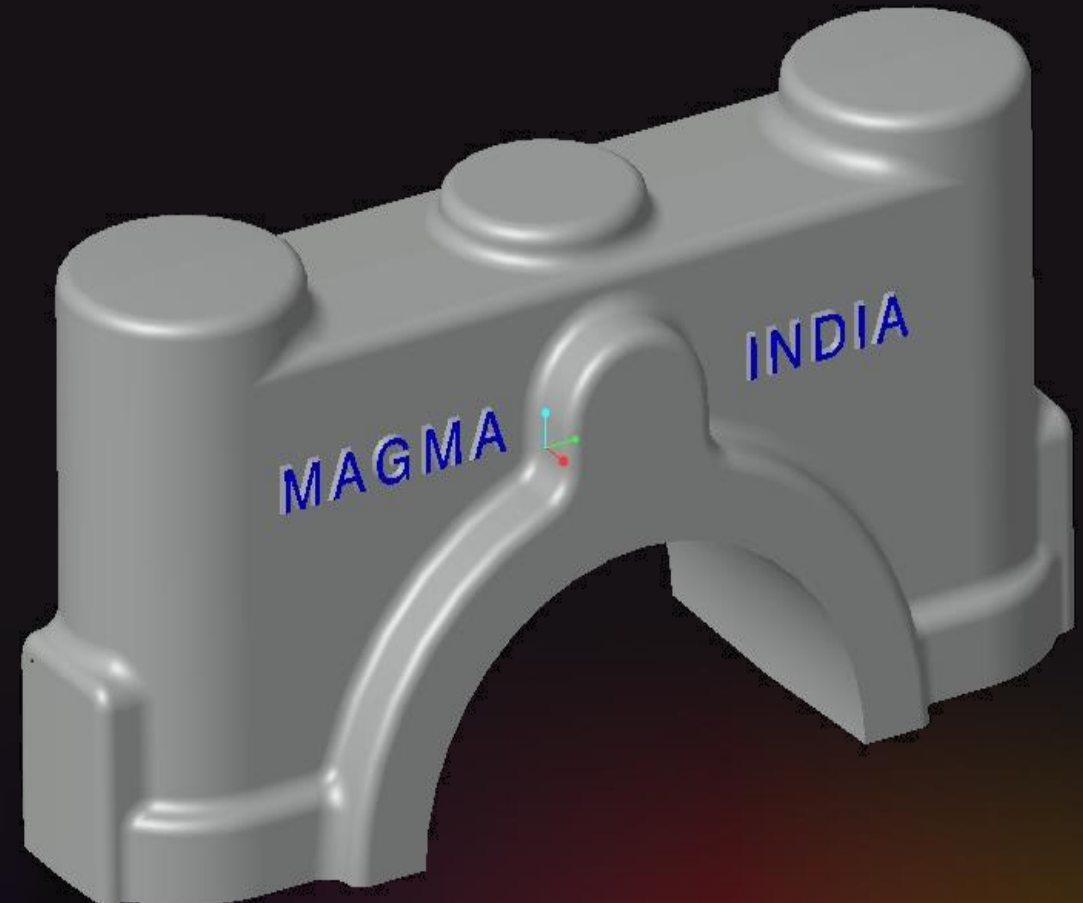
- Compared with Pressurized gating design.
- Filling seems smooth & balance in non-pressurized gating design.
- Temp drop less in non-pressurized gating design.
- Filling time less in non-pressurized gating design.
- Sand inclusion intensity less in non-pressurized gating design.
- The possible air-entrapment noticed in both design and need to improve venting system in both design.
- Finally, we choose Non-Pressurized Gating Design for further optimization and improvements.



# Gating System Design For- IRON

## HPML-Horizontal Green Sand Molding Process

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Casting Weight : 1.60 Kg



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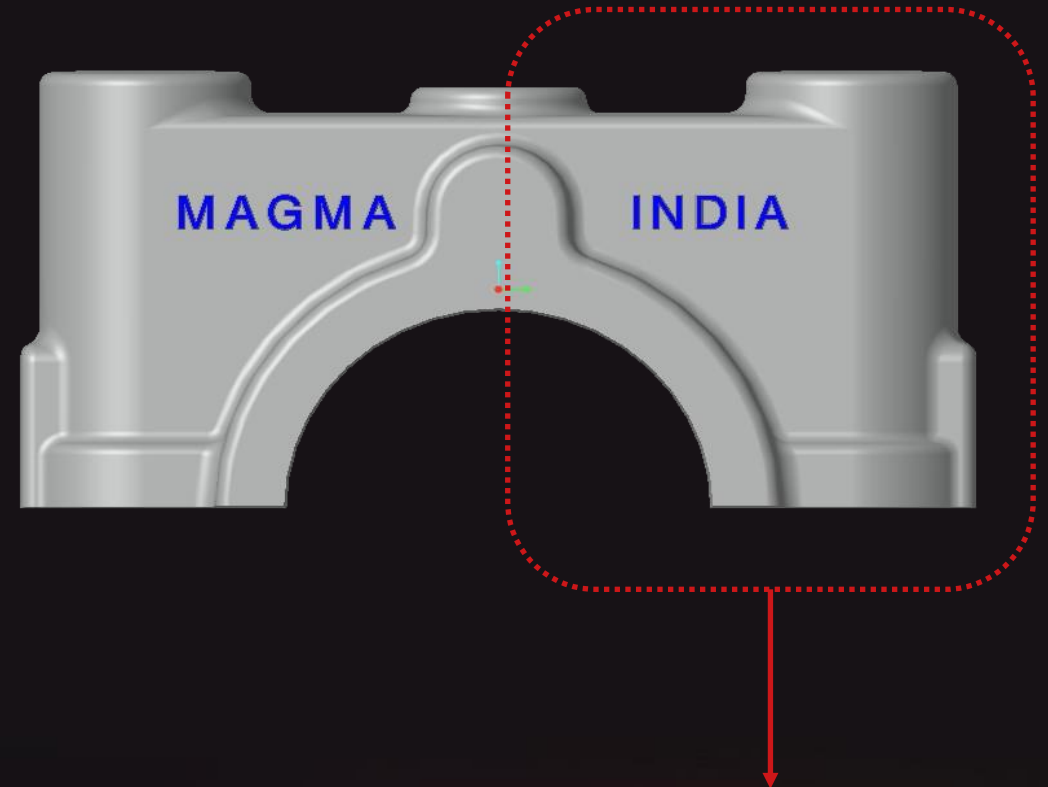
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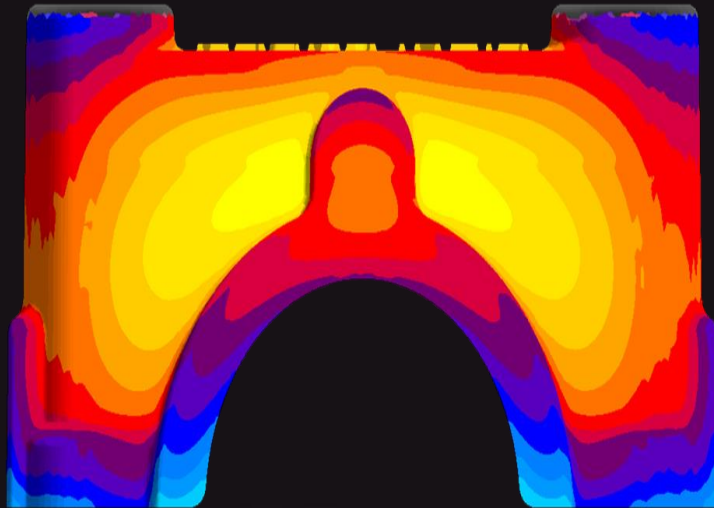


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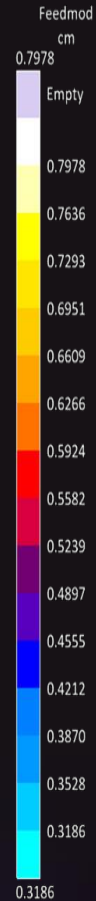
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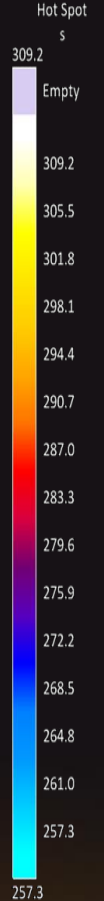
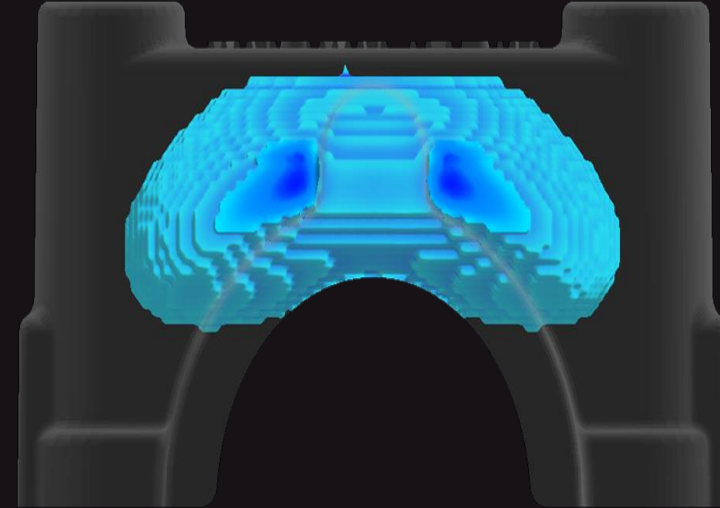
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Hotspot



Hotspot : 309.2 sec



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→  $V_F (\text{cy}) = 3 \cdot \pi \cdot D_F^3 / 8$  ;  $V_F (\text{sphere}) = \pi \cdot D_F^3 / 16$ , cm



$D_F (\text{cy}) = M_F \cdot 16 / 3$  ;  $5.2 \text{ cm}$  (or)  $\varnothing 55$  Approx.

$V_F (\text{cy}) = (3 \cdot \pi \cdot D_F^3 / 8) / 1000$ ,  $\text{mm}^3$  ;  $196 \text{ mm}^3$

$W_F (\text{cy}) = (V_F \cdot L_p) / 1000$ , Kg ;  $1.40 \text{ Kg}$ , Min

**Note :** We can use any feeder material (Sand / Exo / HD sleeve) with maintained  $M_F = 0.96 \text{ cm}$ , min



## STEP-04: Gate Area Calculation ( $A_c$ ):

→ For Iron, Gate Area,  $A_c = (1036 * W_c) / (Fr * t * \sqrt{H})$ , Here  $A_c : 170 \text{ mm}^2$

→ **1036** - Gravity acceleration of liquid metal @1400°C in density 6.9 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, (Default) / **1036**

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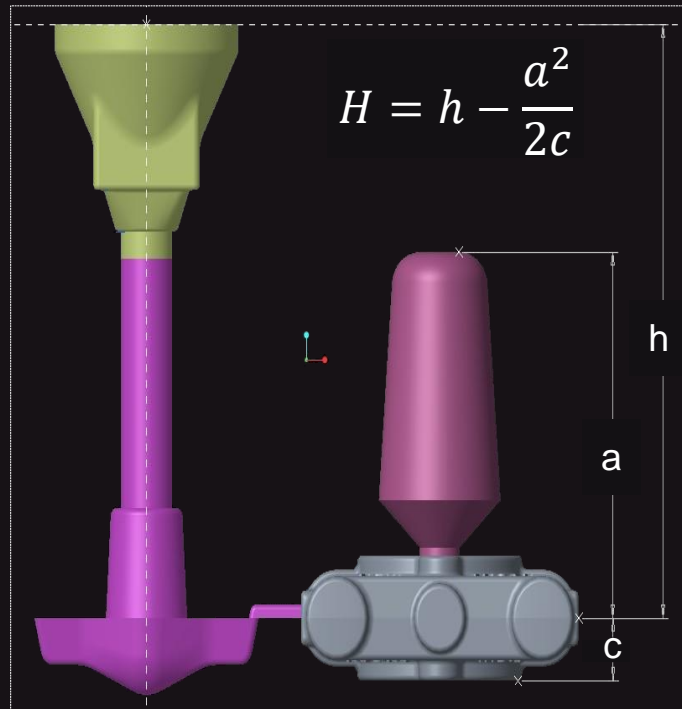
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→  **$t$**  - Time to take fill cavity alone, in sec ;  $t = \sqrt{2.2 * W_c}$  ;  $t = \sqrt{2.2 * 5.2}$  / **3.3 sec**

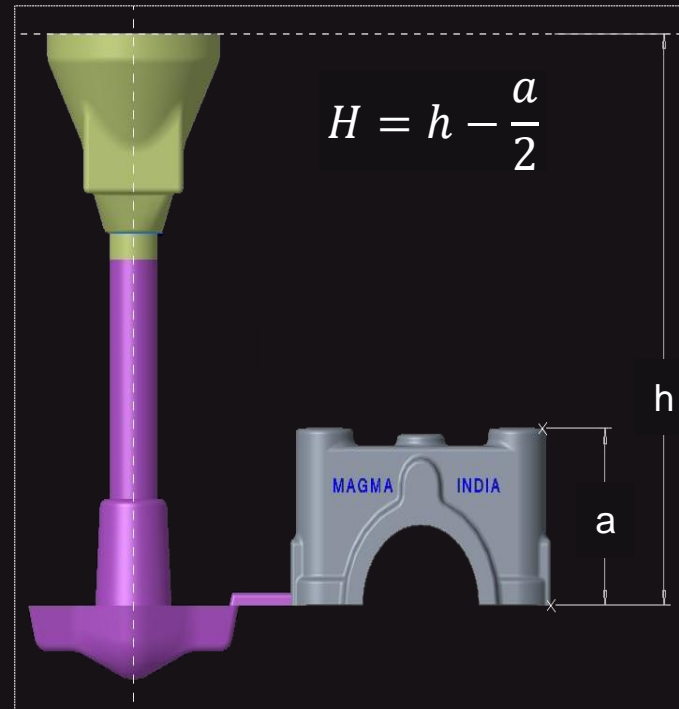
→  **$\sqrt{H}$**  - Ferro static height with respective cavity position into the mold (**Cope / Drag / Both**)



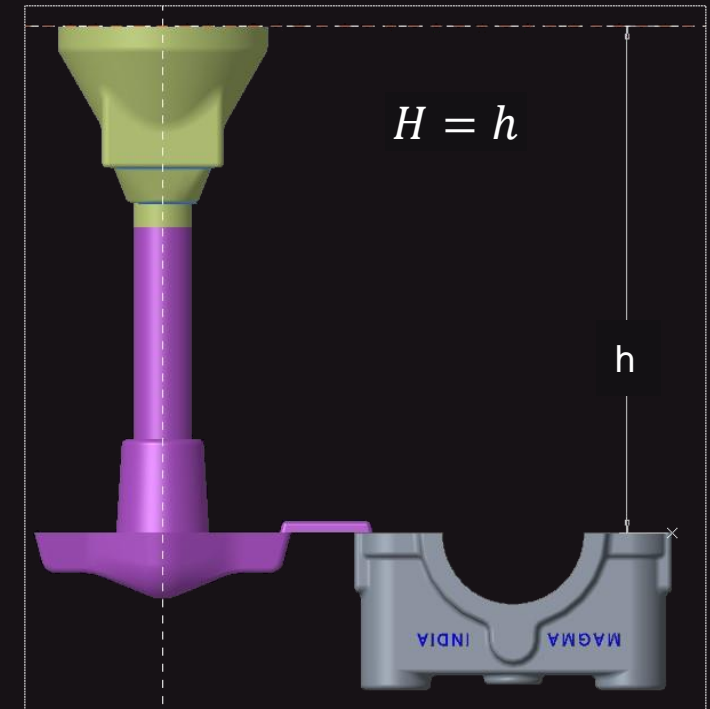
# Ferro static Calculation ( $\sqrt{H}$ ):



Condition : 1



Condition : 2



Condition : 3

→  $\sqrt{H}$  indicates - Ferro static height with respective feeding type ( $\neq$  Top / Bottom / Side Ingate)



# STEP-05: Non-Pressurized Gating Design:

Ratio :  $A_G = 1 > A_R = A_G * 0.8 > A_s = A_R * 0.8$

Gate area,  $A_{G1} = 170 \text{ mm}^2$ ;  $(A_G = A_{G1} * 4) = 340 \text{ mm}^2$

Runner area,  $A_{R1} = A_{G1} * 0.8 = 136 \text{ mm}^2$  ( $A_R = A_{R1} * 2$ )

Down sprue,  $A_s = A_R * 0.8 = 218 \text{ mm}^2$

$A_s = 218 \text{ mm}^2$ ;  $D = \sqrt{218 / 0.7854}$ ;  $\text{Ø } 16.7 \text{ mm}$

Est, Bunch wt : 23.8 Kg ; Filling time = 7.2 sec

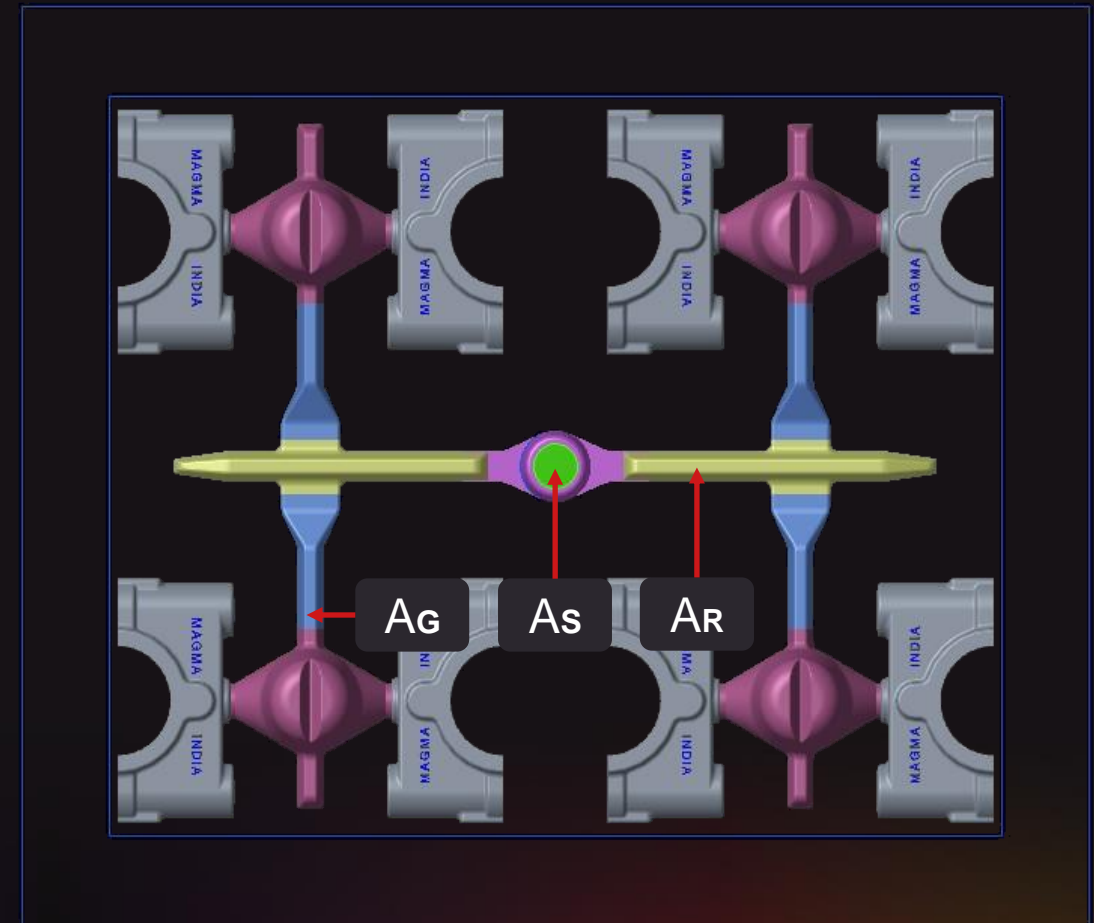
Standard →

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# STEP-06: Pressurized Gating Design:

Ratio :  $A_G = 1 < A_R = A_G * 1.2 < A_S = A_R * 1.2$

Gate area,  $A_{G1} = 170 \text{ mm}^2$ ;  $(A_G = A_{G1} * 4) = 340 \text{ mm}^2$

Runner area,  $A_{R1} = A_{G1} * 1.2 = 204 \text{ mm}^2$  ( $A_R = A_{R1} * 2$ )

Down sprue,  $A_S = A_R * 1.2 = 490 \text{ mm}^2$

$A_S = 490 \text{ mm}^2$ ;  $D = \sqrt{490 / 0.7854}$ ;  $\text{Ø } 24.9 \text{ mm}$

Est, Bunch wt :  $23.8 \text{ Kg}$ ; Filling time =  $7.2 \text{ sec}$

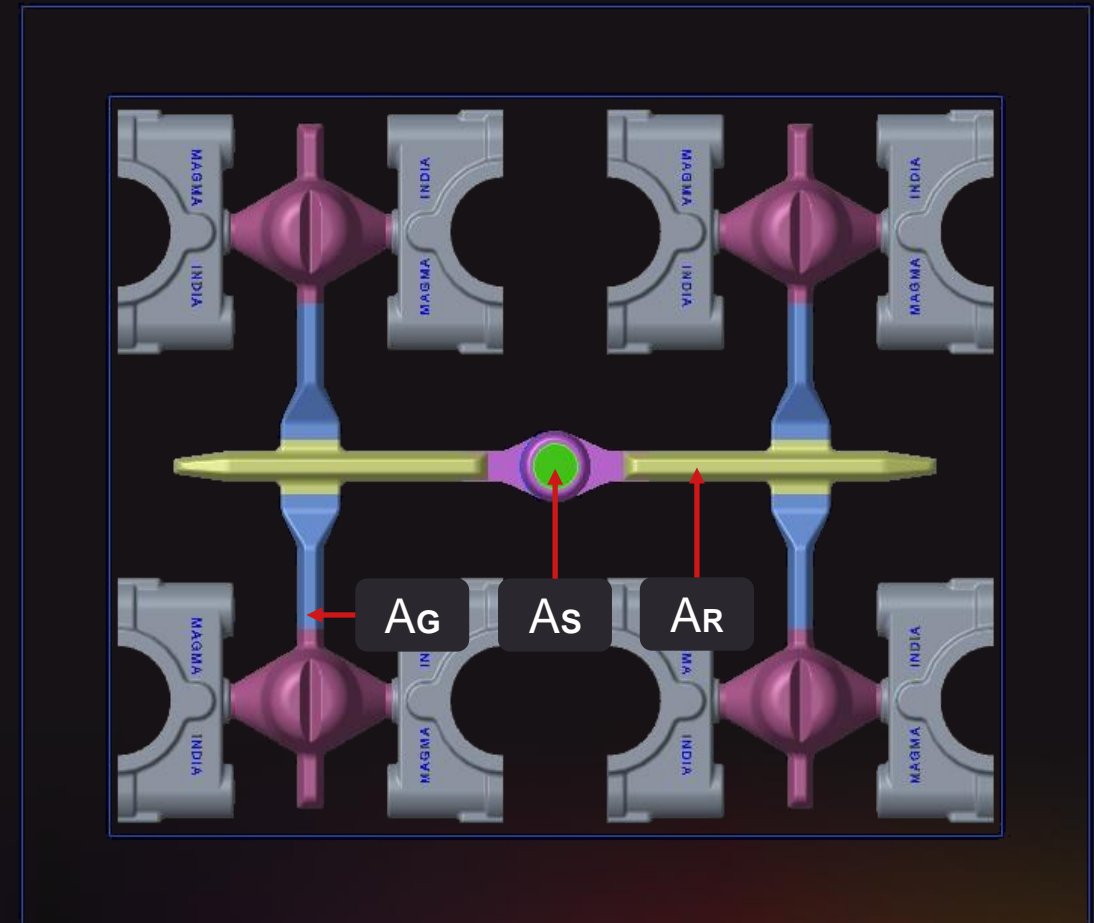
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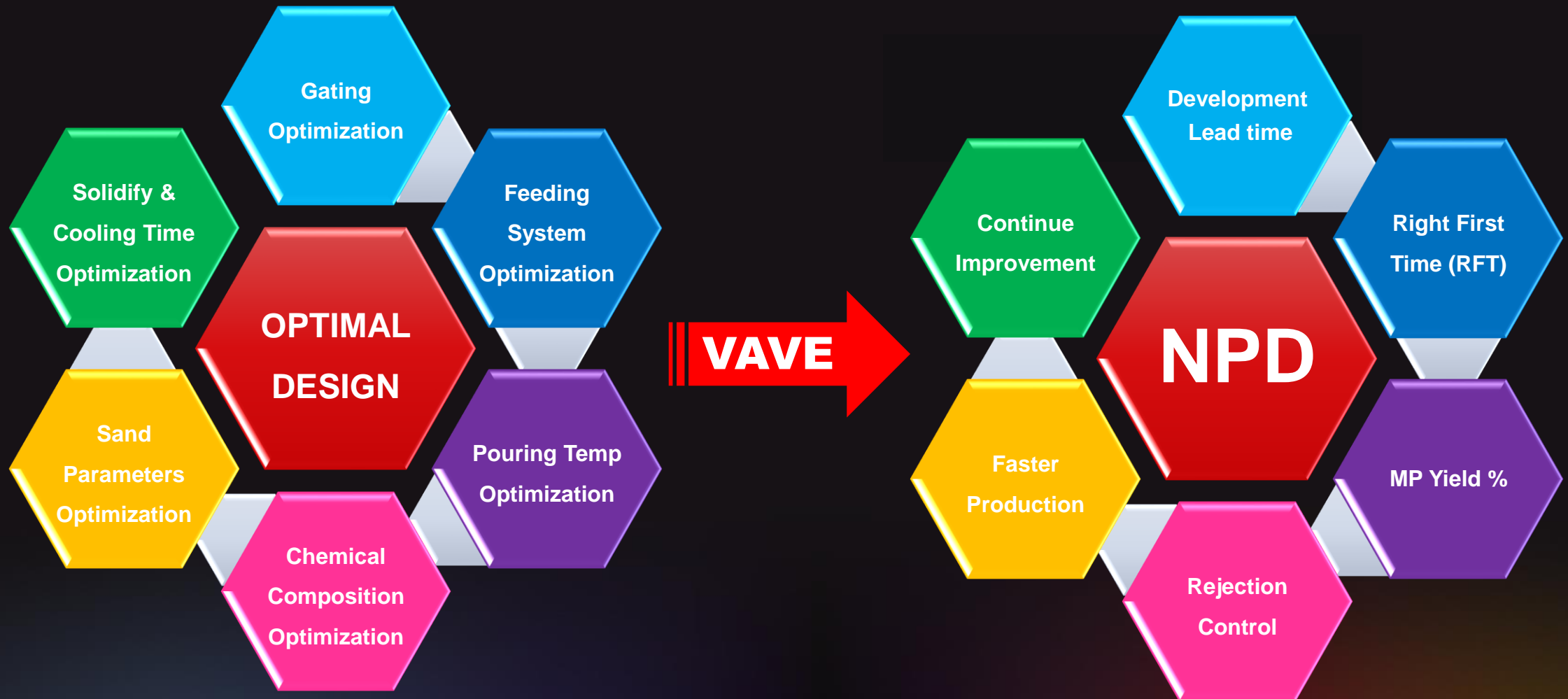
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# How MAGMASOFT® Leading NPD KRA:



# Advantages of MAGMASOFT®

- **MAGMASOFT®** is the comprehensive and effective simulation tool for Improving metal casting quality, optimizing process conditions and Substantially reducing costs in production.
- It software enables the establishment of robust process conditions and optimized casting layouts for all cast materials and process.
- It software is designed to predict total metal casting quality by Simulating mold filling, solidification and cooling.
- It optimizes given iterations & ranks the best ideas based on our object priorities, Like Balance filling b/w cavity / Low gate velocity / Less Temp Drop / Shrinkage / Sand Inclusion / Mold erosion...etc.,
- It shows porosity in specified evaluated area for better understanding of defect intensity.



# Thank you

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