

A4 Technologietag, Kunststoffe auf dem Prüfstand – Testen und Simulieren

Multi-physics simulations with LS-DYNA

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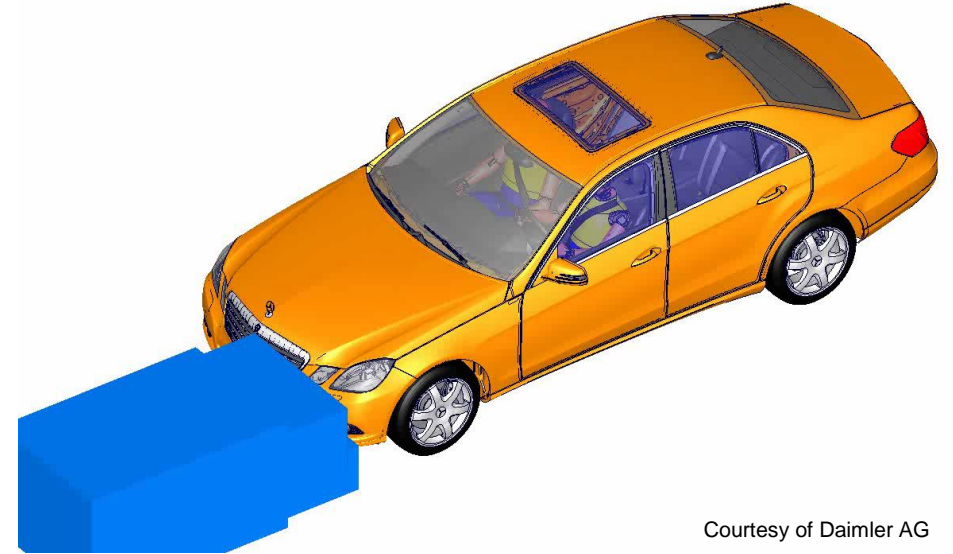
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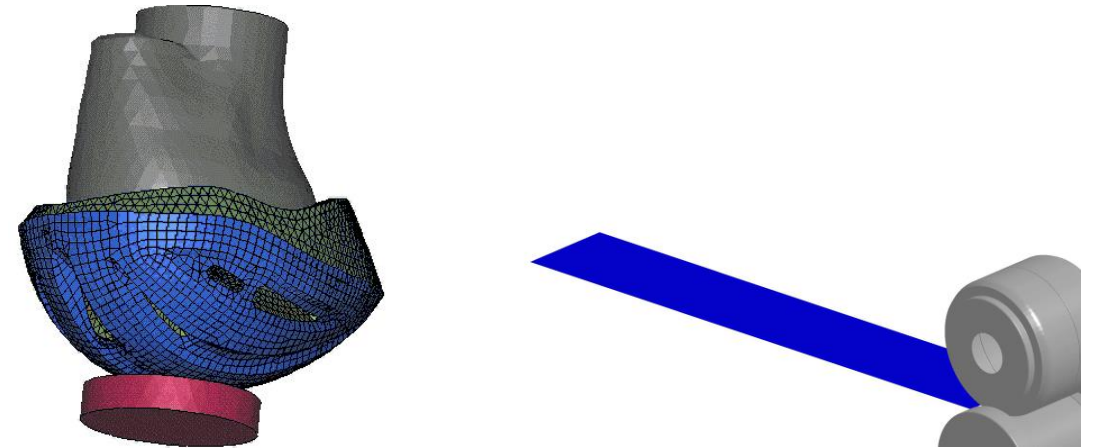
Introduction

■ History of LS-DYNA and DYNAmore GmbH

- 1976: John Hallquist develops DYNA3D at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories
- 1987: John Hallquist founds LSTC in Livermore CA, DYNA3D becomes LS-DYNA3D
- 1988: Prof. Schweizerhof + co-workers start with crash simulations in Germany
- 2001: DYNAmore is established
- 2011: DYNAmore acquires ERAB Nordic
- 2011: DYNAmore assigned as Master distributor
- 2011: DYNAmore SWISS established
- 2013: DYNAmore Italia S.r.l. established
- 2015: DYNAmore France established
- 2017: DYNAmore Corp. established

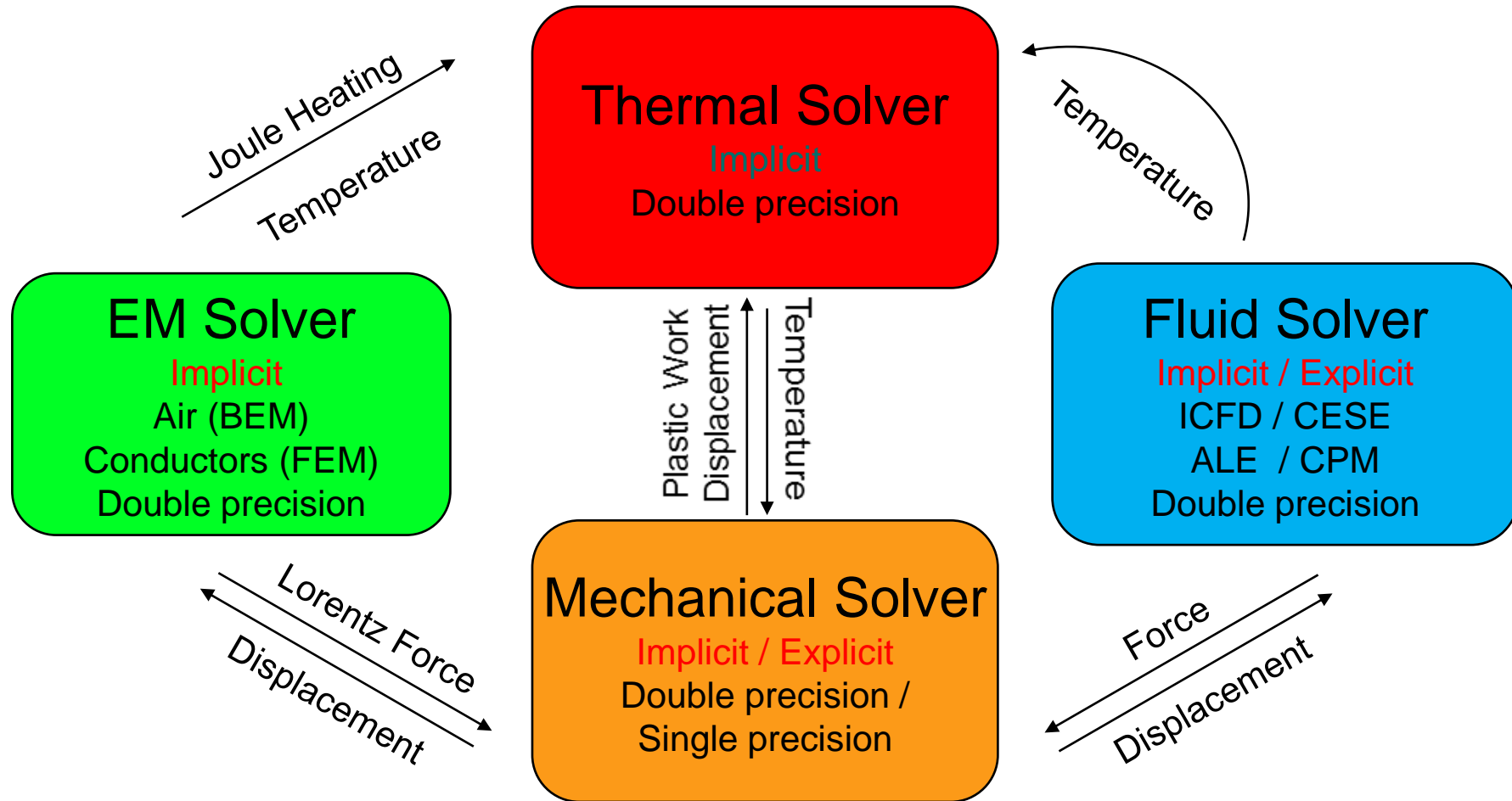


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Introduction

■ Multi-physics coupling in LS-DYNA



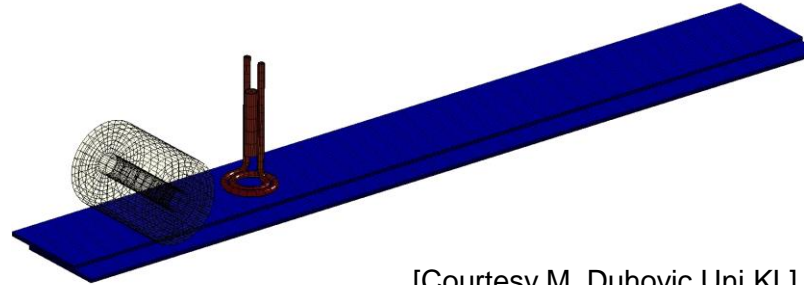
Introduction

■ Combining the capabilities of different solvers

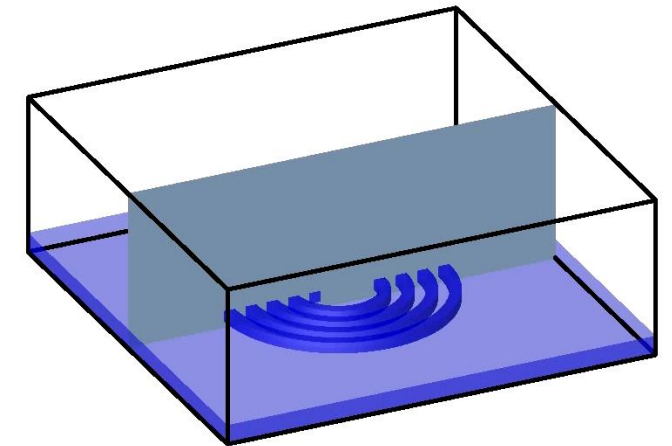
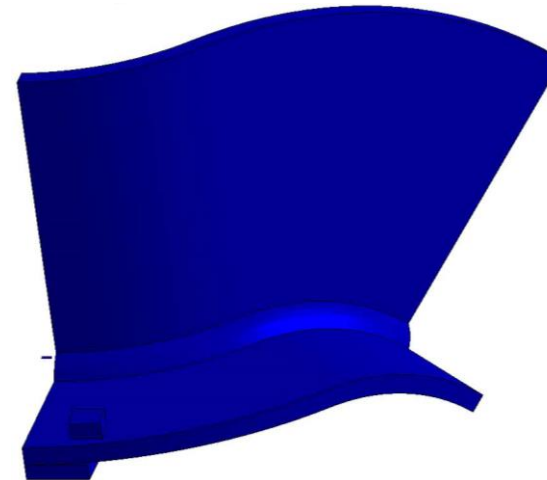
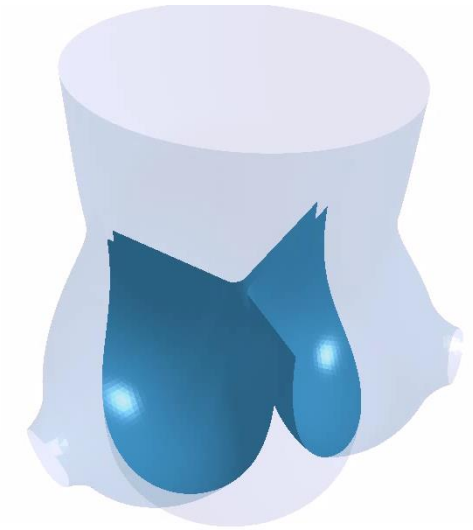
- Explicit/implicit structural solver
- Thermal solver and heat transfer
- Incompressible fluid solver (ICFD)
- Compressible fluid solver (CESE)
- Electromagnetics solver (EM)
- Frequency domain solver (NVH)
- FEM, ALE, EFG, SPH, DEM, ...
- User-defined subroutines (elements, materials)

■ One-code strategy

- Static and nonlinear transient problems
- Efficient solution of coupled multi-physics problems
- Massively parallel solution strategy



[Courtesy M. Duhovic, Uni KL]



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■ Fibre-reinforced plastics

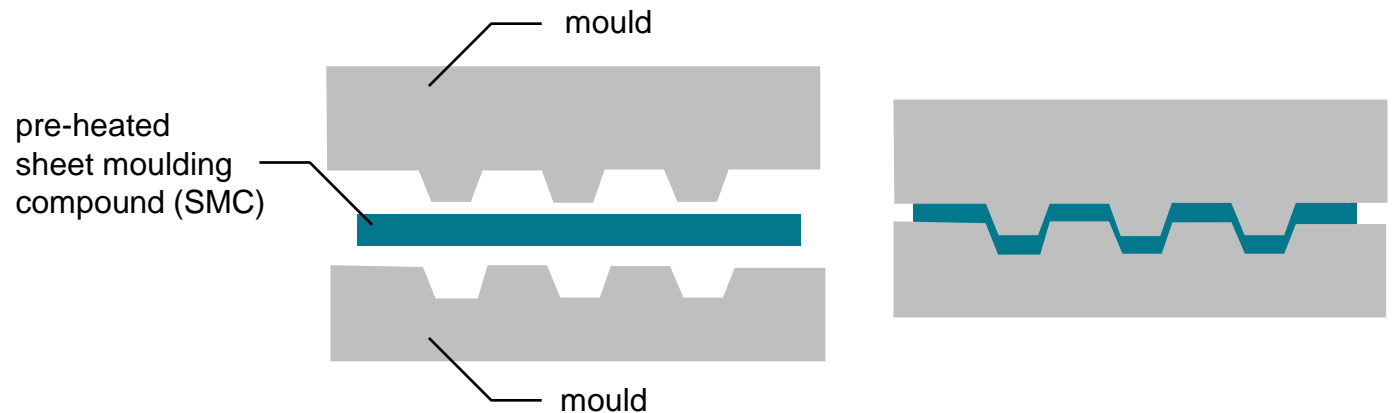
- Compound of a fibre network and a supporting matrix
- Engineered material
 - enhanced stiffness/strength-to-weight ratio, design of weak spots
 - material and structure are built together (manufacturing process influences product quality)



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■ Compression moulding

- Production of complex-shaped structures
- High-volume compression method
- Advanced composite thermoplastics, e. g.
 - Unidirectional tapes
 - Woven fabrics
 - Randomly-oriented fibre mats



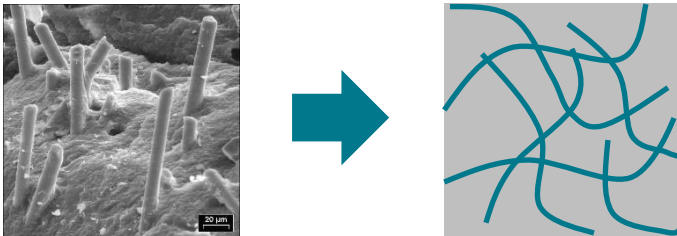
Compression moulding of long-fibre-reinforced plastics

■ Why to simulate the manufacturing process?

- Moulding forces
- Temperature distribution
- Spatial distribution of fibre density and fibre directions
- Contour accuracy

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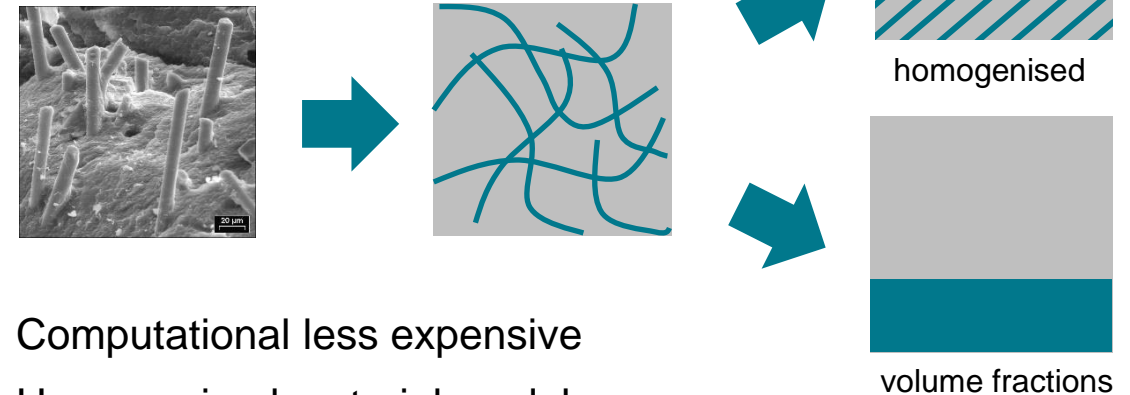
- Description of the microstructure as it is
 - Direct description of fibre-fibre interactions
 - Direct description of fibre-matrix interaction



- Knowledge of microstructure needed
- Usually computational expensive

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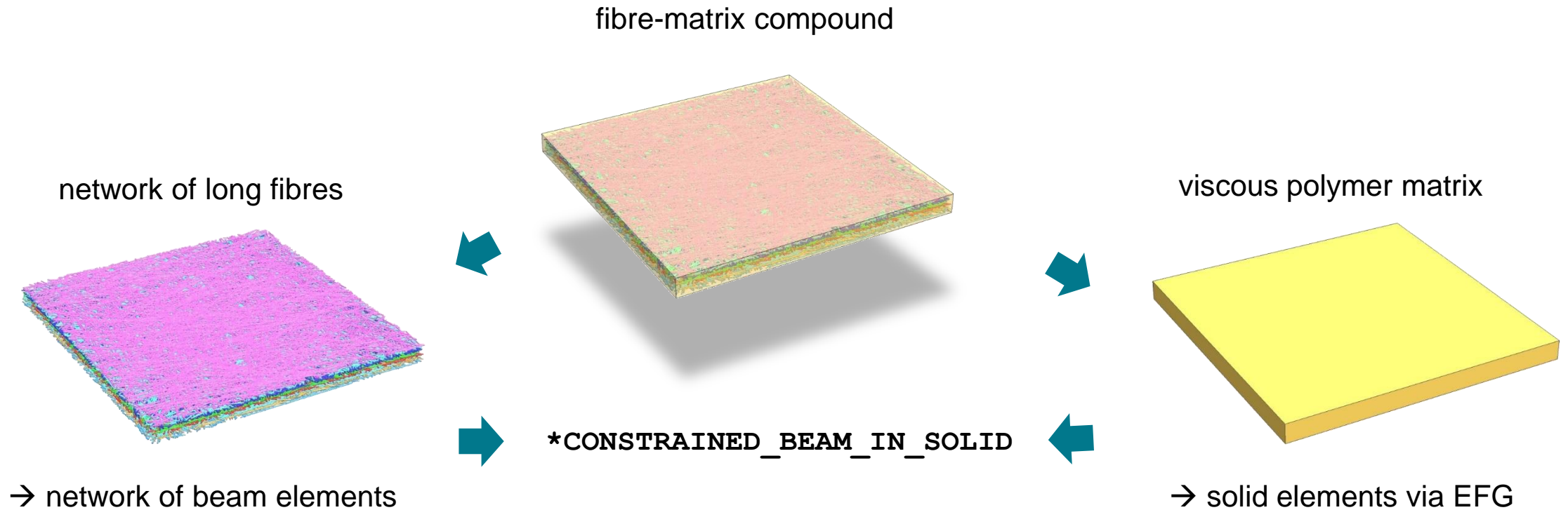
- Homogenised description of microstructure
 - Indirect interactions via homogenised material model



- Computational less expensive
- Homogenised material models

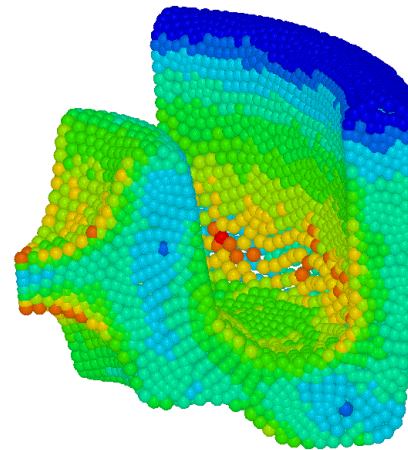
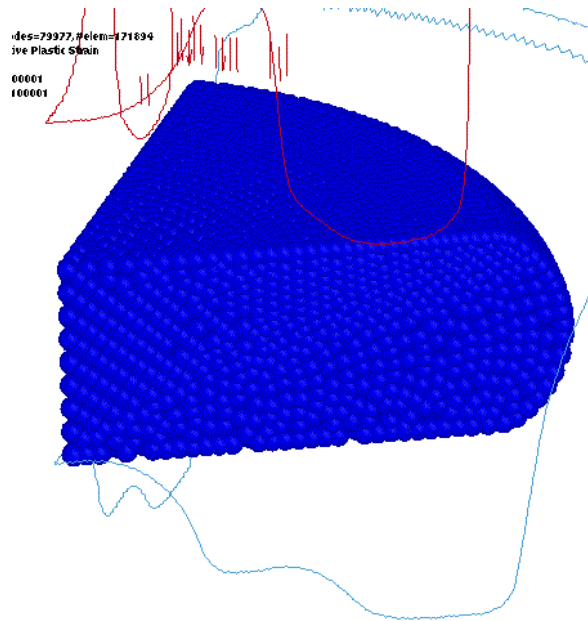
Compression moulding of long-fibre-reinforced plastics

- Microscopic modelling approach in LS-DYNA [Hayashi, Chen & Hu 2017] (JSOL & LSTC)
 - Fibre-matrix interaction via `*CONSTRAINED_BEAM_IN_SOLID` (CBIS)
 - Fibre-fibre interaction (fibre network) through `*CONTACT_AUTOMATIC_GENERAL`
 - Large deformations of the fibre-matrix compound via Element-free Galerkin (EFG)

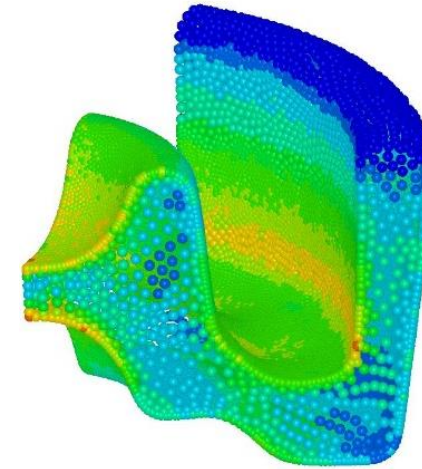


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- Microscopic modelling approach in LS-DYNA [Hayashi, Chen & Hu 2017]
 - Viscous polymer matrix through viscoelastic material (***MAT_ELASTIC_WITH_VISCOSITY**) and EFG method
 - EFG allows for large deformations including mesh-refinement (global and local)
 - Coupled thermal-structural simulation possible, e. g. heat-triggered curing
 - Macroscopic viscosity (composed of matrix viscosity and fibre sliding within matrix)



global refinement



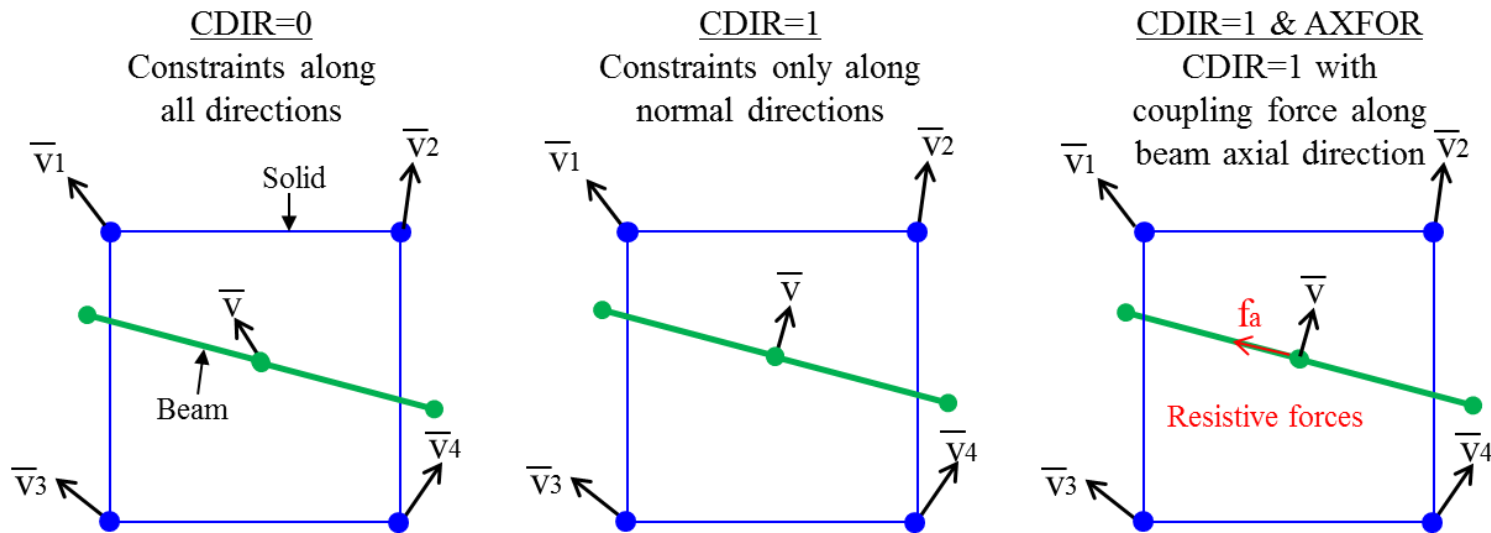
local refinement

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■ *CONSTRAINED_BEAM_IN_SOLID (CBIS)

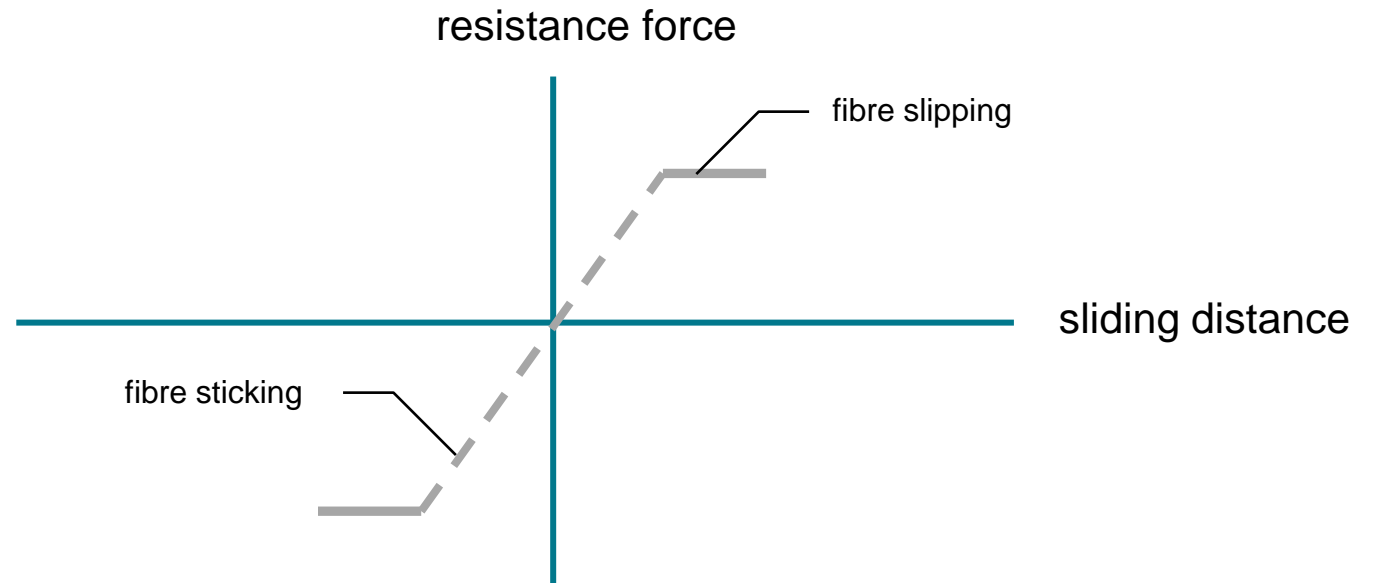
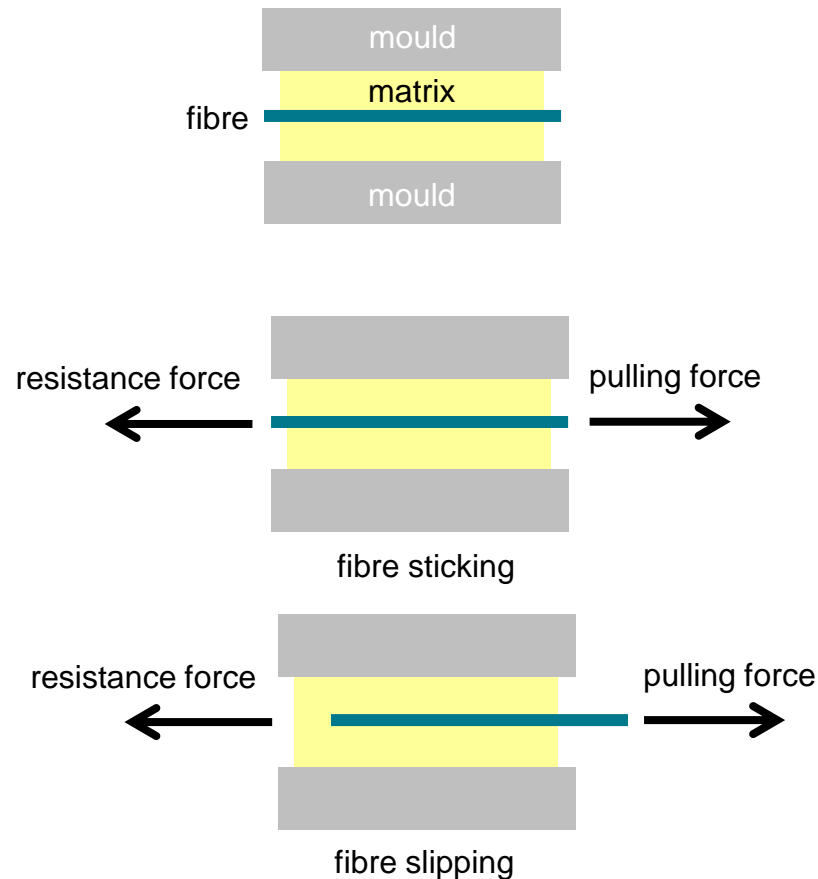
- Regular beams embedded into solid structure
- Constraint acceleration and velocity, like `CTYPE=2` in *CONSTRAINED_LAGRANGE_IN_SOLID
- Several fibre-matrix interaction are possible, e. g. via user-defined function



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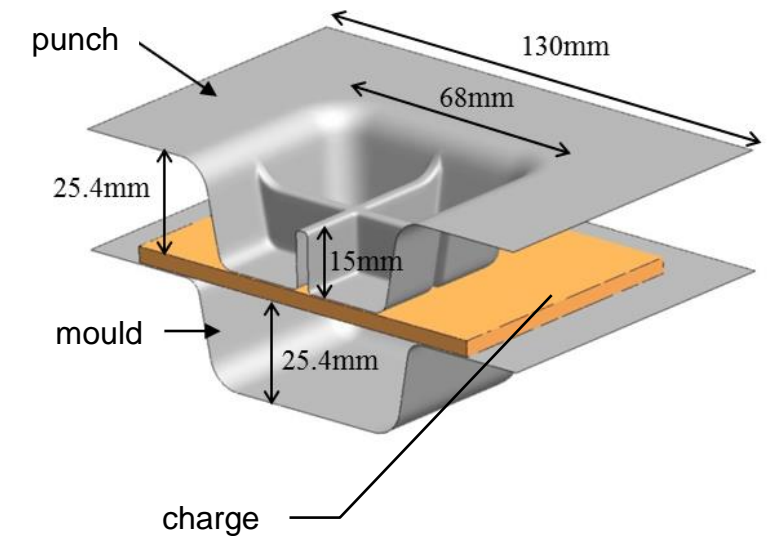
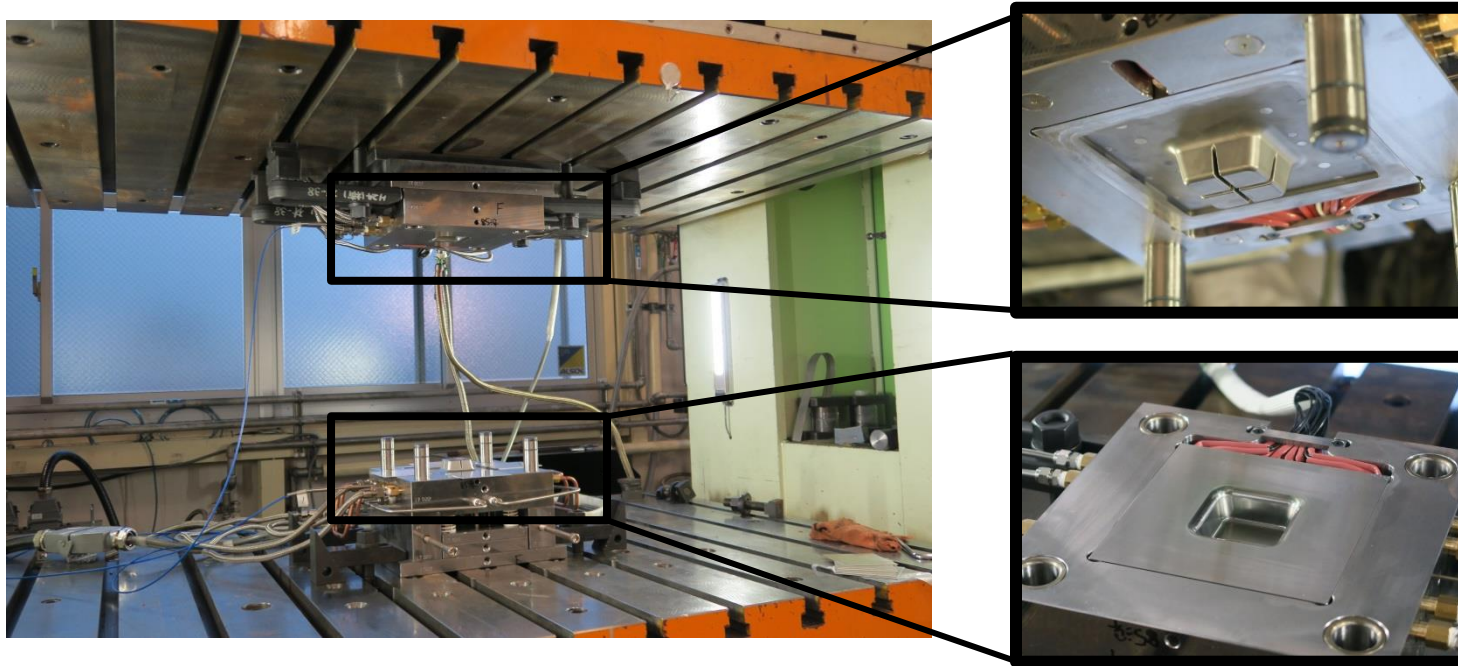
■ Fibre-matrix interaction



→ elasto-plastic sliding interaction via a user-defined subroutine

Compression moulding of long-fibre-reinforced plastics

■ Example problem (cross-ribbed component)

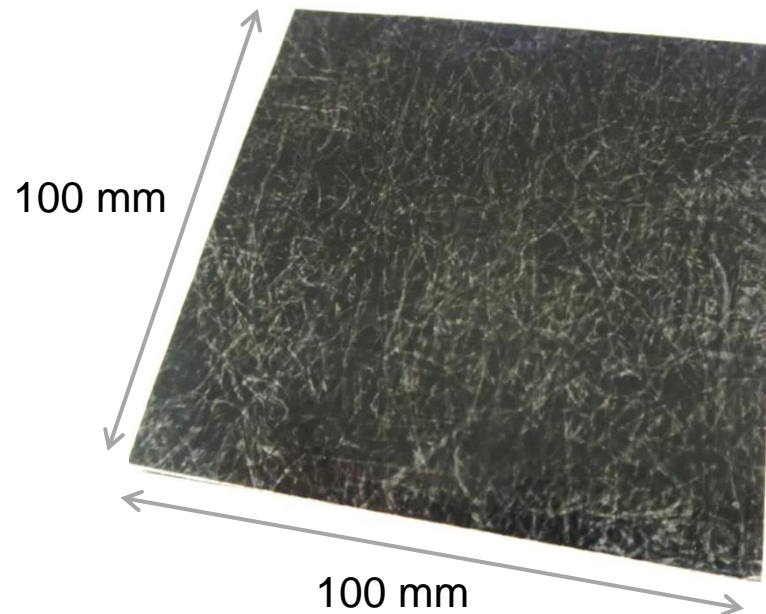


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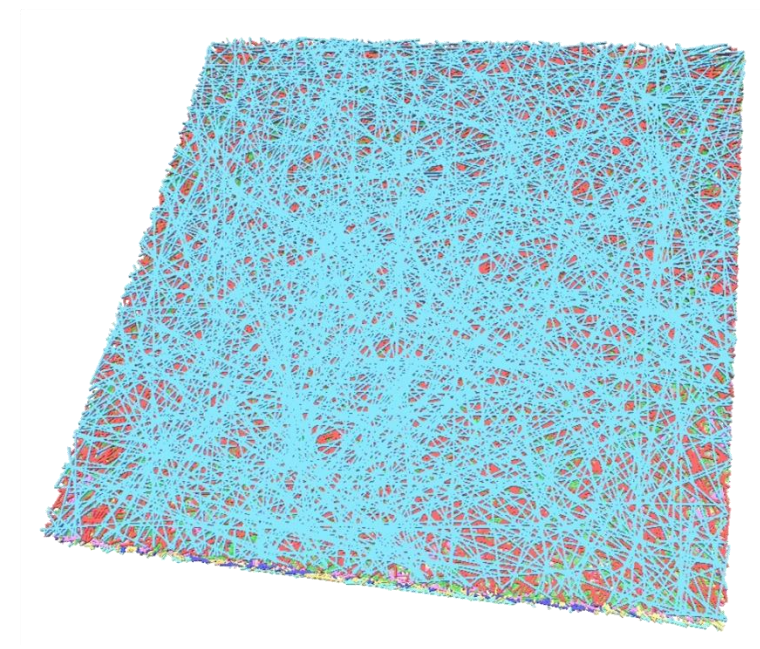
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■ Tepex® flowcore (Bond-Laminates GmbH)

- Glass fiber length: 30-50mm
- Fiber orientation: 2D random
- Volume fraction: 47%
- Matrix: Polyamide Nylon6 (PA6)

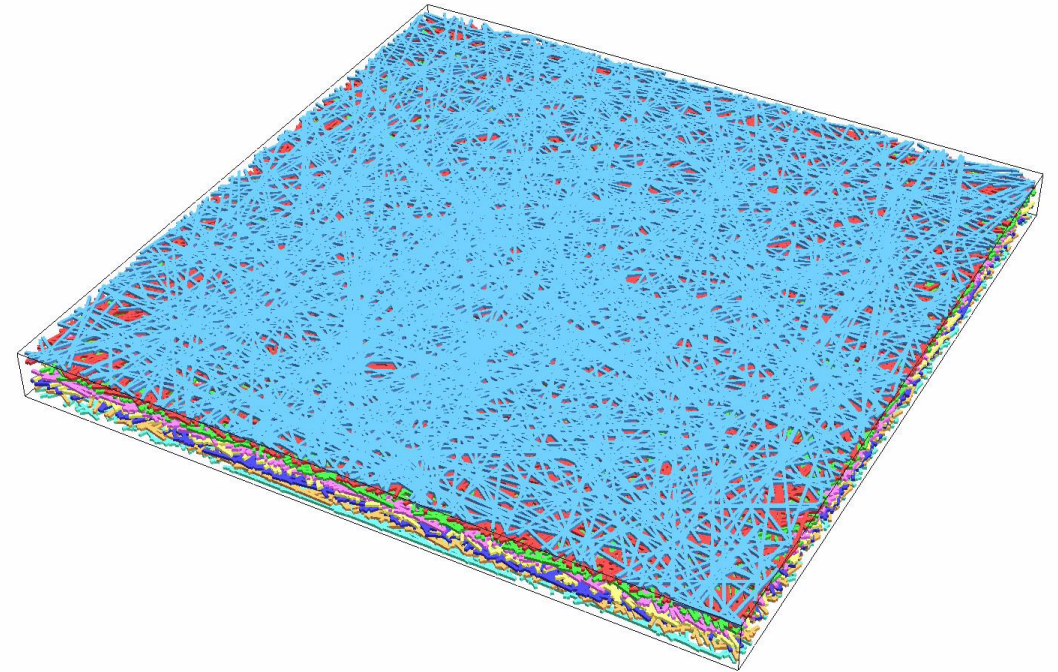
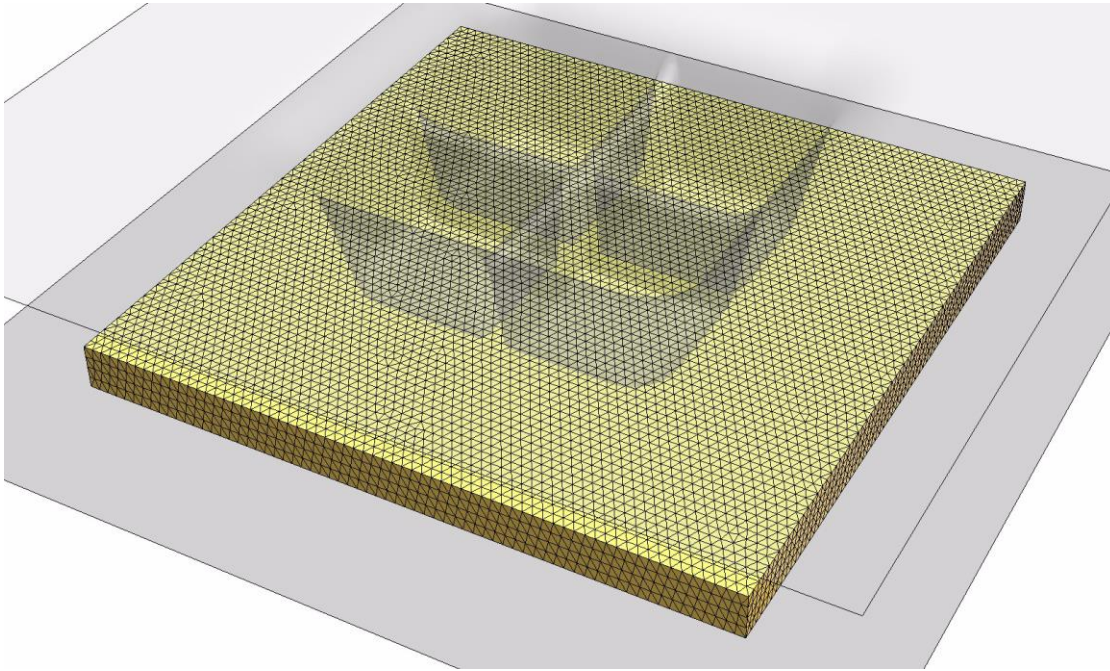


LS-DYNA model



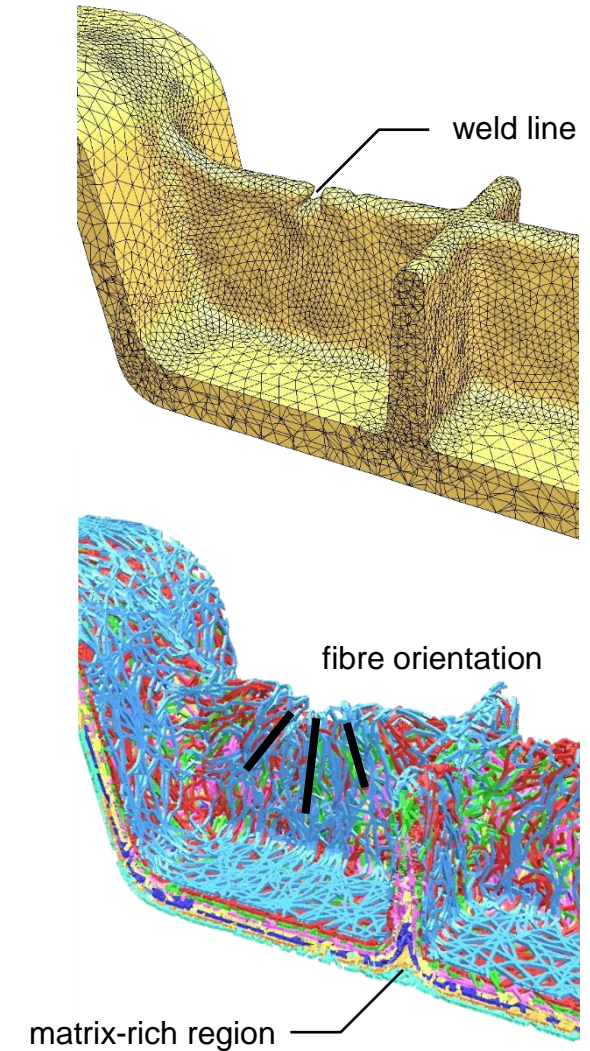
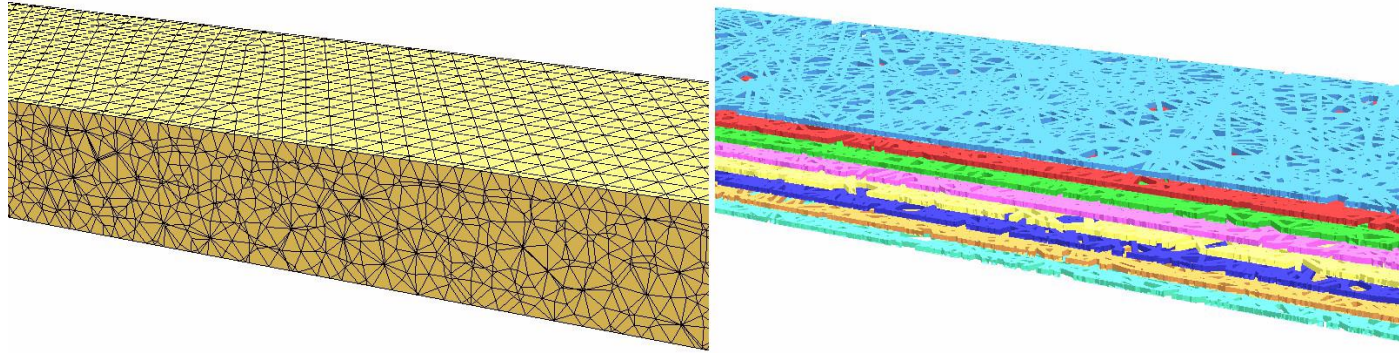
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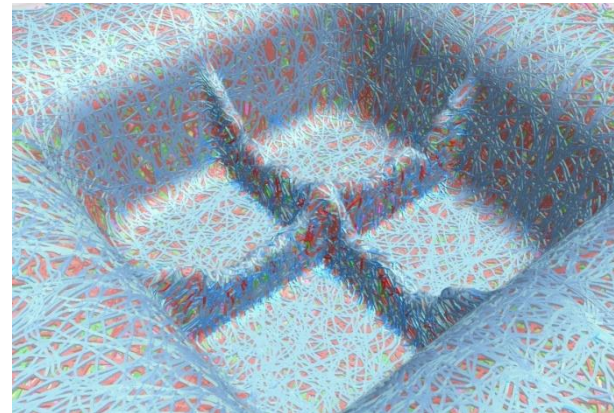
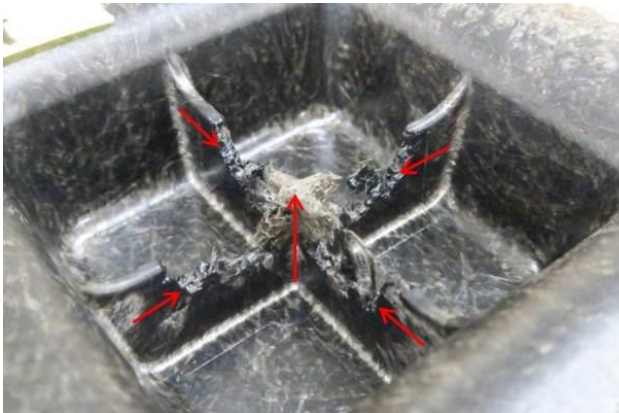
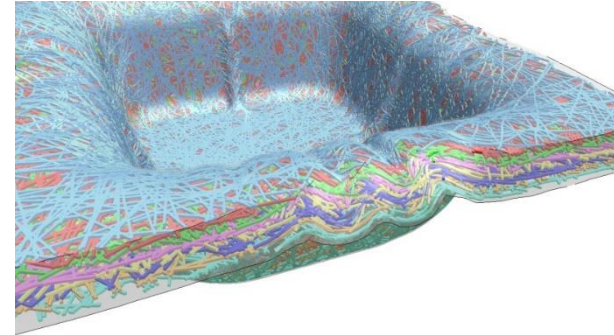
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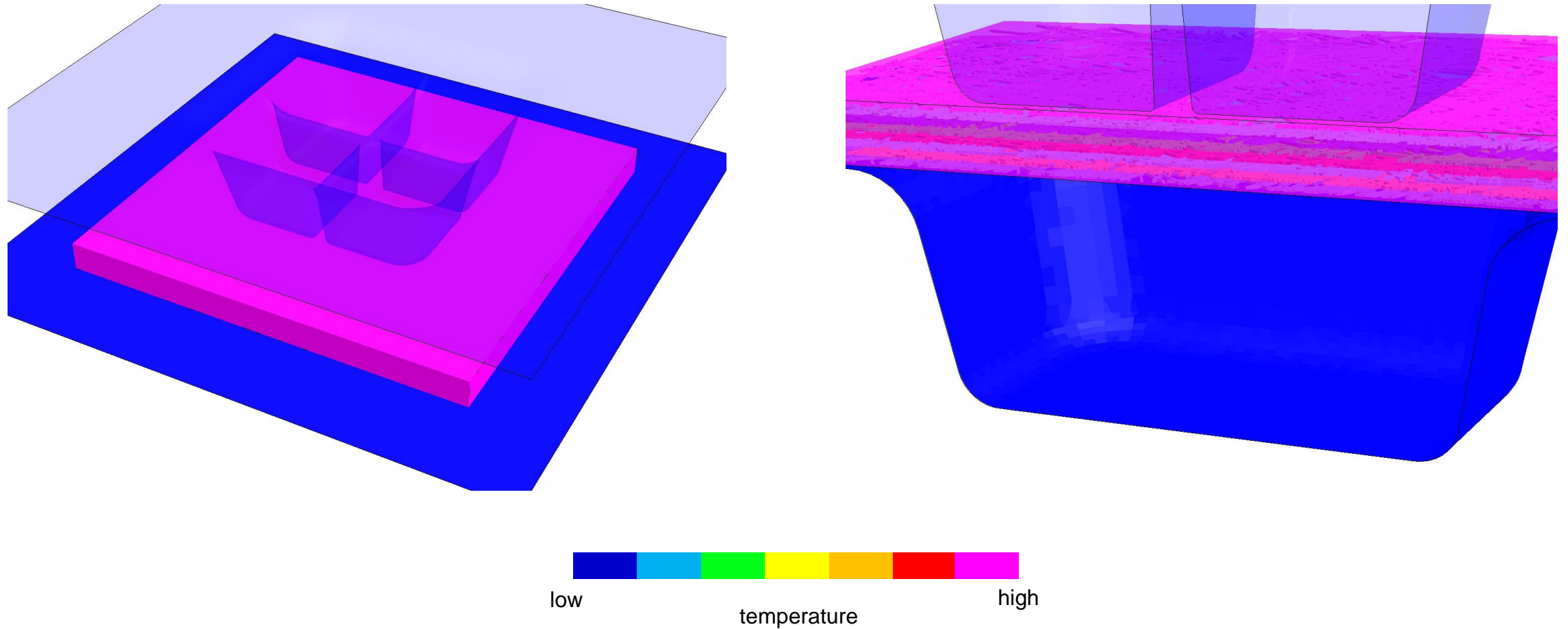
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Compression moulding of long-fibre-reinforced plastics

- Simulations to predict
 - Punch reaction force
 - Heat transfer and temperature distribution
 - Filling behaviour and timing
 - Distribution of fiber volume fraction
 - Fiber orientation and deformation
 - Axial force of fibers
 - Stress occurring in matrix
 - Identification of weld line locations and matrix rich region

Additive manufacturing

Additive manufacturing (AM)

- Material is added to build structures

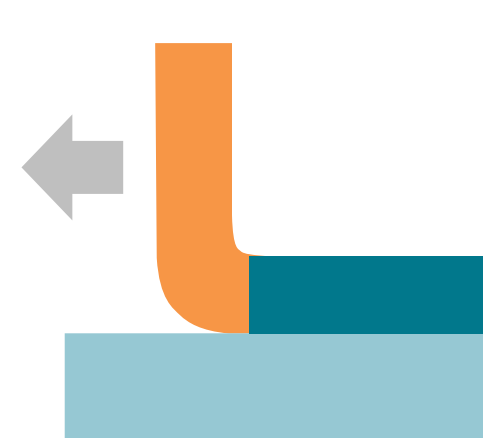
- Manufacturing of complex shapes
- Rapid prototyping (reduced lead time and costs)

- Different strategies, e. g.

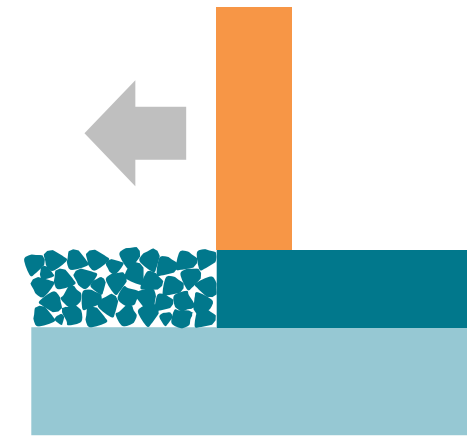
- Fused-deposition modelling (FDM)
 - Extrusion of small beads or streams of material (filament)
 - Thermoplastic or metal filament is heated within nozzle head
 - Layer-wise build of structure
- Selective laser sintering (SLS)/Selective laser melting (SLM)
 - Melting of powder granules using high-energy laser
 - Layer-wise build of structure

- Why to simulate?

- Contour accuracy and mechanical properties of the final work piece
- Initial stress/strain distribution before mechanical analysis of structure
- Optimisation of production cycle



FDM



SLS/SLM

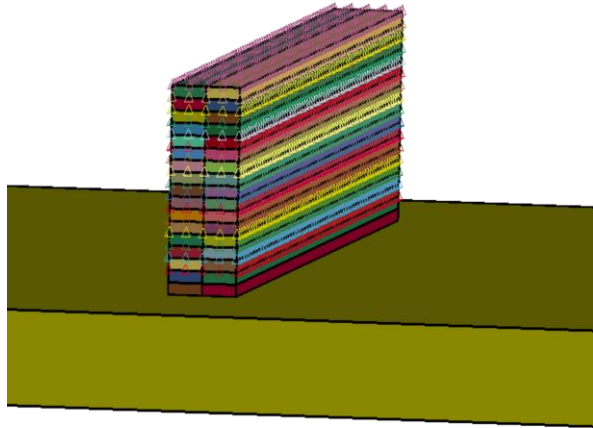
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■ Modelling approaches in LS-DYNA

- Simulation needs to account for thermal problem (heat transfer) and material adding
- Approaches by DYNAmore Nordic AB to tackle **material adding** and heat transfer problem

FULL MODELL

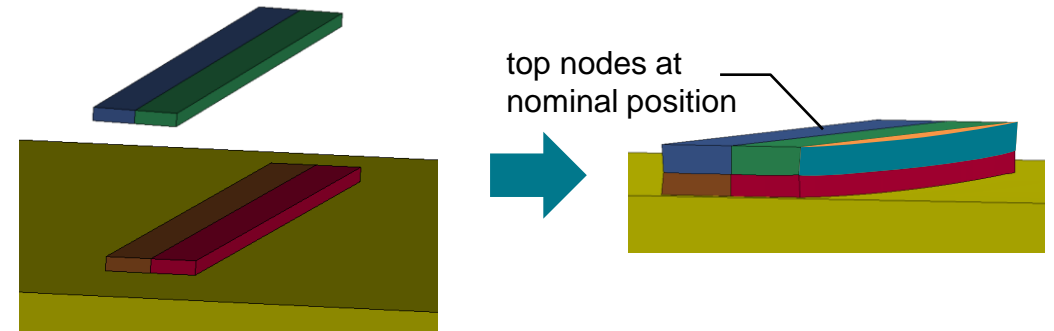
- Whole model available but inactive (ghost model)
- Layers are gradually activated



- Layers follow vertical deformation of active material
- However, high simulation costs due to ghost model

SINGLE LAYER

- Structure is build layer-wise by gradually importing the layers



- Only active layers are simulated → numerical efficient
- But, amount of added material is incorrect as only bottom nodes follow deformation → volume consistent approach, which requires pre-processing stage before layer placement

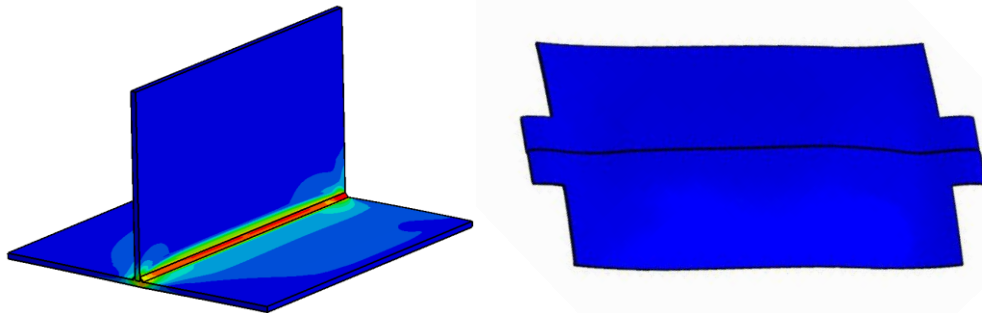
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INCREMENTAL HEAT SOURCE

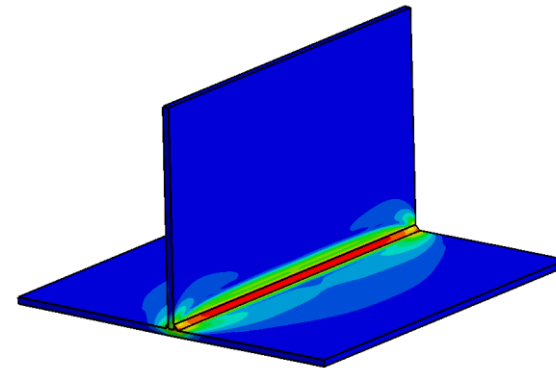
- Inherit from welding simulation
→ heat source follows a predefined path followed up by a cooling simulation



- Time consuming as path can be long

HEAT DUMPING

- Commonly used in welding simulations
- Whole weld is heated up through volumetric heat source followed up by a cooling simulation



- Thermal loading depends on the volume, speed and length of the weld and a temperature rise time

Additive manufacturing (AM)

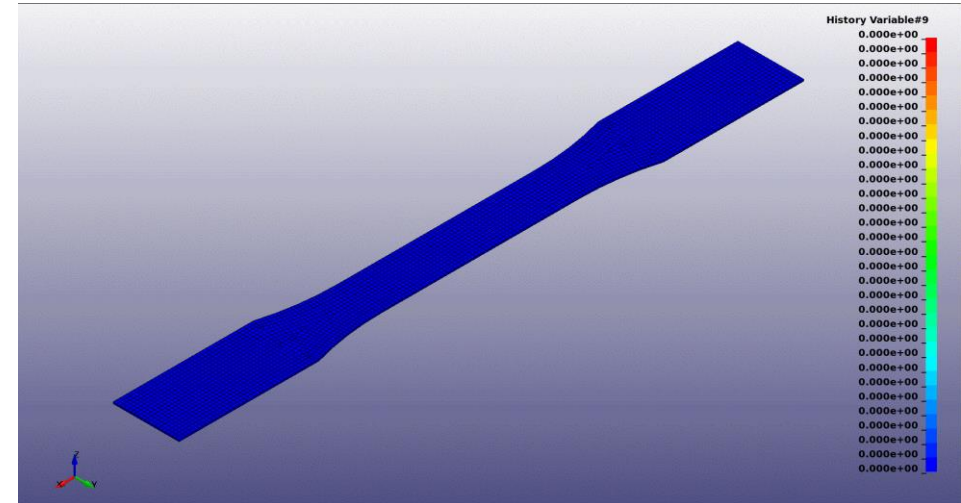
■ Modelling in LS-DYNA

- Approach by DYNAmore (C. Liebold & T. Klöppel)

GHOST ELEMENTS

- Elements of structure exists from the beginning, but are inactive → ghost elements
- Elements are gradually activated by distant heat source once heat threshold (melting temperature) is exceeded
- Material properties of ghost elements
 - Should have a negligible influence on simulation
 - But provide mesh movement at weld seam
- Welding path controlled by G-Code format

```
G21 ;metric values
G90 ;absolute positioning
M82 ;set extruder to absolute mode
M107 ;start with the fan off
G28 X0 Y0 ;move X/Y to min endstops
G28 Z0 ;move Z to min endstops
G1 Z15.0 F9000 ;move the platform down 15mm
G92 E0 ;zero the extruded length
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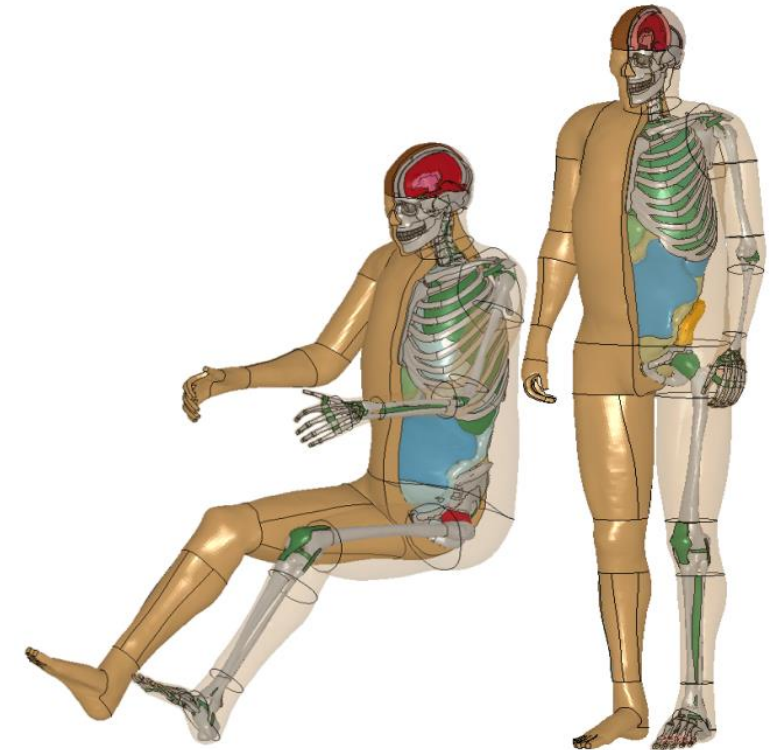


Summary

- Applications in LS-DYNA
 - Compression moulding of fibre-reinforced plastics
 - Additive manufacturing
 - FEM-based layer-wise approach by DYNAmore Nordic AB
 - FEM-based ghost-element approach by DYNAmore → consideration of DEM approach

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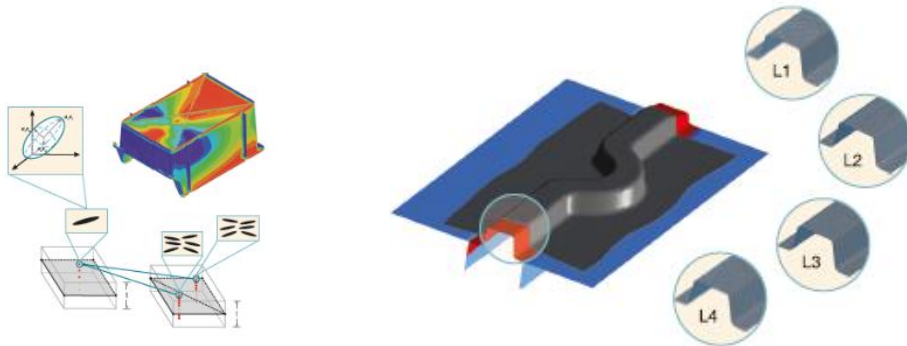


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- Presentations from BMW, DLR, EDAG, JSOL, Opel Automobile, Politecnico di Torino and DYNAmore.
- Agenda and Registration:
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- <http://www.ls-dynaconferences.com>
 - 600 attendees expected

■ 15. Deutsches LS-DYNA Forum 15-17 October 2018, Bamberg

- www.dynamore.de/forum201
 - 350 attendees expected
 - Workshops on specific topics



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