

Code_Aster Professional Network

The Code_Aster Professional Network aims to spread and to acknowledge the benefits of Code_Aster and Salome-Meca as open-source software.

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This report is the sixth issue, after the first five published since July 2015 ▼

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Summary of ProNet UPDATE 6

Meetings in France and regional meetings in the world

Applications submitted by members

- Biomedical Laboratory, AACHEN University of Applied Science – Germany
- Pole Modeling & Calculations CEVAA – France
- Aether Engineering – Italy
- DICEA (Università di Firenze), Kobe Engineering – Italy
- NOBO Solutions – Poland
- Cloud computing – SIMSCALE – Germany

Next release July 2017

A new GUI for Code_Aster in Salome-Meca, called **AsterStudy**, has been under development over the past two years, which will considerably improve the user experience of the software. It will bring a revamped module for the input of command files as well as the management of calculations.

AsterStudy will replace the Aster module of Salome-Meca in version 2017. As a consequence, EFICAS for Code_Aster will be replaced by the data settings features of AsterStudy. For now, ASTK will remain available for the management of study files and calculations.

Dedicated forum for the members

The discussions conducted in the ProNet forum are dedicated to all cooperative exchanges between members of the network, expression of needs, follow-up of developments and all feedbacks.

Code_Aster Open source for sustainable development join the network ProNet

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New members

Since 07/2016

ALGERIA



CHILE



UK



GERMANY



ITALY



March 2017
75 members
(see last page)

Training and Meetings in the world

➔ In China

An open-training session on Code_Aster was organized by EDF R&D China center jointly with CAS-CNIC (Chinese Academy of Science, Computer Network and Information Center) in **Beijing** from **February 21st to 24th, 2017**.

In total, **33 trainees** from academic and industrial sectors participated in this open training session: CGN, CNNC, SNPTC, SAFRAN China, XJTU, Dalian U., East China University of Science and Technology, Guangzhou U., EDF China, Korean researchers from KISTI (ProNet member) as well as other consulting companies.

Half of the participants were from the nuclear sector. The key nuclear actors in China (CGN, CNNC, SNPTC, XJTU) were all represented in this session. For organization, a local team of 4 people from EDF R&D China and 2 colleagues from EDF R&D/AMA department delivered the complete training session.

This four days training focused on the presentation of the large scope of application domains provided by Code_Aster to deal with civil engineering, thermo-mechanics, fracture mechanics), but also to work on the development of dedicated functions or customized software based on **Code_Aster**.



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➔ Quebec user's meeting Third event

For the third consecutive year, the University Sherbrook will hold a workshop on Structures and mechanics of power lines on **Thursday May 17th** at IREQ (Research Institute HYDRO-QUEBEC), dedicated to users of **Code_Aster** from Universities, Hydro-Quebec and RTE.

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➔ University of Manchester and EDF Energy

On the 13th - 14th - 15th September 2017, a **free** three day training session for **Code_Aster** is planned for introduction to Code_Aster and Salome-Meca, with the new interface AsterStudy. The last day will be dedicated to fracture mechanics modelling.

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➔ Numerical simulation and sustainable development in Maghreb

Three meetings between **January** and **April 2017** in **Monastir (Tunisia)**, **Oran (Algeria)** and **Meknes (Morocco)** for the deployment of **Code_Aster Open source** in universities and school of engineers as help for local industrial development. More information in the next issue.

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TRAINING

For **2017** several organizations propose **training sessions** for **Code_Aster** and **Salome-Meca** in France and Germany



phimeca.com/Formations



www.code-aster-services.org



www.cevaa.com



www.code-aster.de/services

TUTORIALS

The course materials used by EDF for internal teaching are online and written directly in English.

<http://code-aster.org/spip.php?rubrique68>

Applications submitted by members

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Salome-Meca au service de l'ingénierie vibro-acoustique

Diagnostic d'un problème de bruit

Calculer les modes couplés fluide-structure d'un régulateur de pression de carburant, pour identifier la cause d'un sirènement



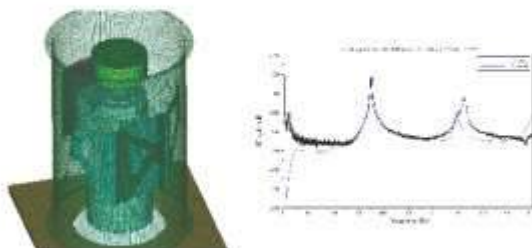
Validation d'un prototype virtuel

Simuler un essai d'endurance d'un système mécatronique pour valider sa tenue mécanique à des excitations vibratoires



Corrélation Calculs / Essais

Construire un modèle précis pour diagnostiquer une rupture pendant les essais d'endurance et permettre un redimensionnement



Modélisation vibro-acoustique

Utiliser un modèle paramétré pour orienter la conception d'une traversée de tablier automobile en phase avancée de développement



Applications submitted by members

Biomechanical Simulation of reconstructing the Female Pelvic Floor Dysfunctions using Mesh Implants

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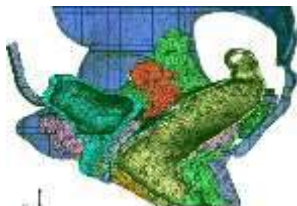
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- Motivation -

Female pelvic floor dysfunctions such as stress urinary incontinence (involuntary urine leakage) and uterine prolapse (uterus falling into the vaginal canal) could be caused by sudden increase of the intra-abdominal pressure (IAP) during physical activities such as coughing, laughing, and others. In old ages, they are induced by the laxity of the supporting ligaments, fascias and muscles. To fix these dysfunctions, more than 20 million prosthetic meshes are implanted each year worldwide [1]. We try to optimize the position and orientation of the mesh implant for maximum support against IAP via the finite element method (FEM) using the software **Salome** and **Code_Aster**.

- Model -

3D finite element (FE) model of a 70 year old female

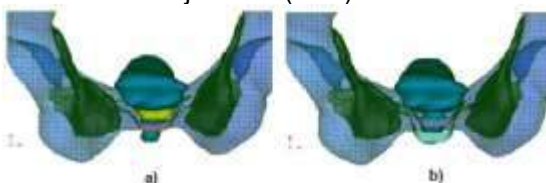


- The hyper elastic material parameters for the Mooney-Rivlin class of strain energy function

$$W = C_{10}(I_1 - 3) + C_{01}(I_2 - 3) + C_{20}(I_1 - 3)^2$$
- C_{10} , C_{01} and C_{20} : empirical hyper elastic material constants
- I_1 and I_2 : the first and second strain invariants of the right Cauchy- Green deformation tensor
- Frictionless contact between the anterior and posterior vaginal walls
- FE simulations are performed with an IAP of 10 kPa during straining to analyze the organ response as suggested by the integral theory

Stress Urinary Incontinence (SUI)

- Insertion of an mesh implant inside the fascia behind the urethra at four different positions, for treating stress urinary incontinence
- Choosing of mid-proximal position to resist against urethro-vesical junction (UVJ) movement

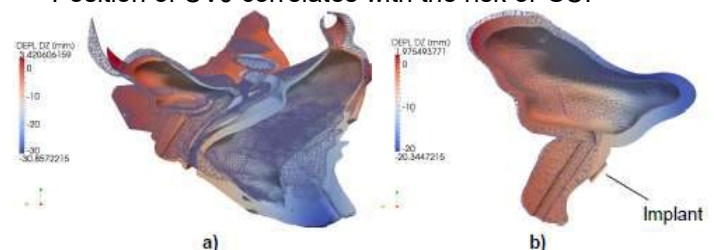


Possible position of the prosthetic meshes.
a) proximal, b) mid-urethral

- Result -

Stress Urinary Incontinence

- Position of UVJ correlates with the risk of SUI



Distribution of deflection in a PUL
a) with 80 % impairment,
b) with implant. Wireframe models are in healthy state

Vertical movement of the UVJ during straining

- 4,8 mm : healthy
- 8.5 mm : 80% impairment
- 8.02 mm : reconstructed



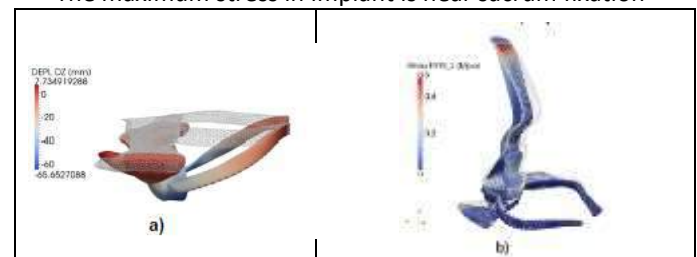
Stress distribution on the implant

- Maximum principle stresses in the implant

$$\sigma_{max}^{zz} : 2.51 \text{ MPa}$$

Uterine Prolapse

- Constrained movement of the uterus due to sacrocolpexy : 12,08 mm versus 65,65 mm
- The maximum stress in implant is near sacrum fixation



a) Uterus displacement due to weak apical support
b) Stress distribution on the mesh implant

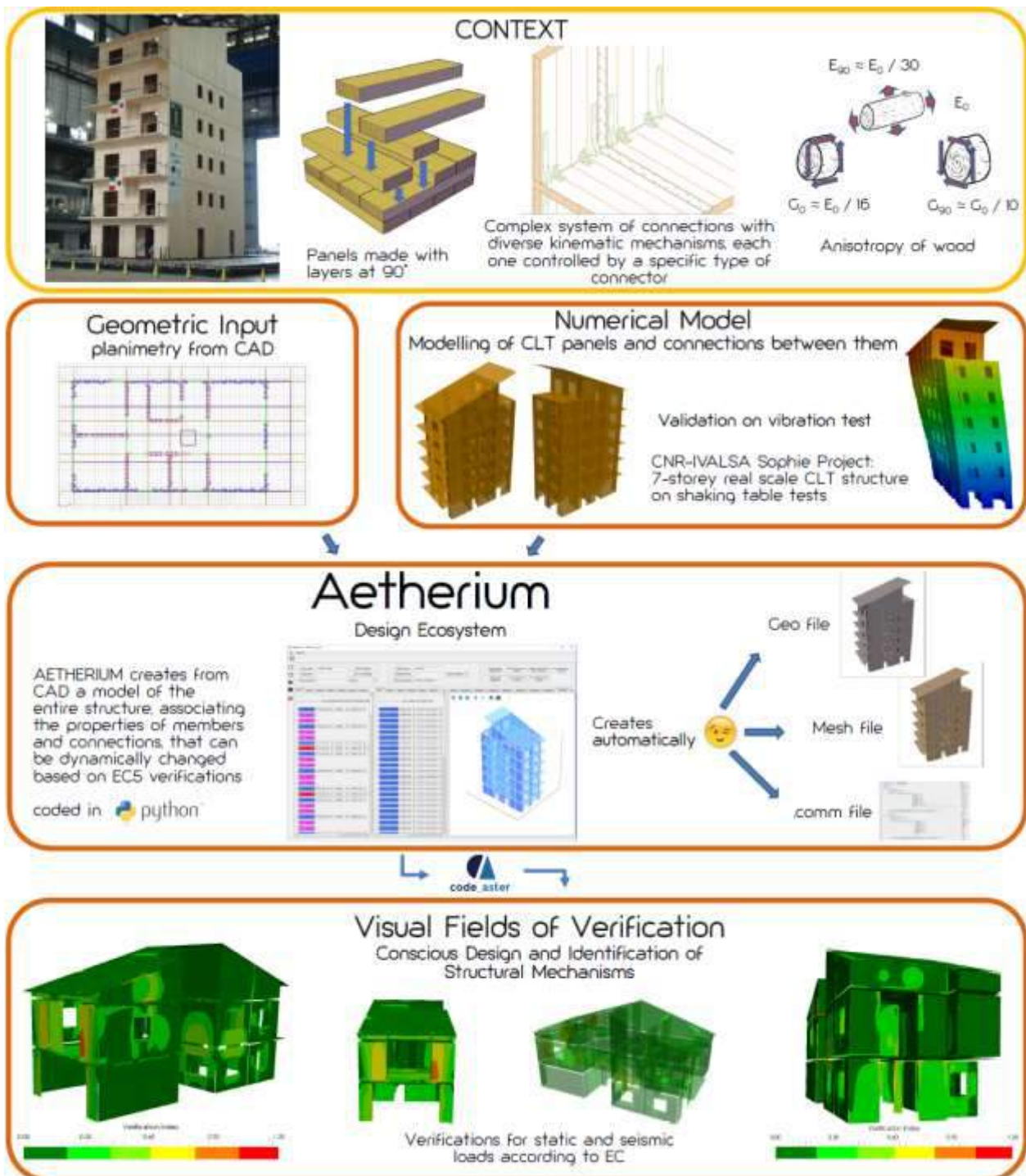
- Conclusion -

- Urethro-vesical junction can be uplifted using mesh implant to help SUI problem.
- Cervical-ring suspension can be reduced using the mesh implant
- Stress distributions on adjacent tissues need to be investigated

Applications submitted by members

Code_Aster and non-conventional civil engineering structures : Cross laminated timber buildings

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Applications submitted by members

Code_Aster and non-conventional civil engineering structures : Masonry buildings

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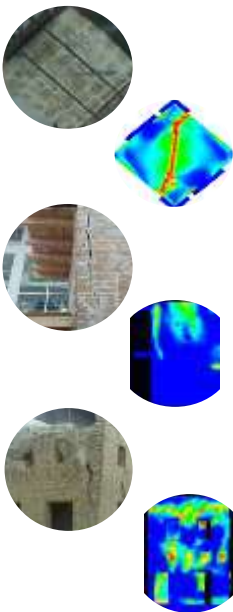
Project knowledge transfer from research to application

Validation of damage based constitutive models (Mazars) for masonry-type structures [2012]

To validate the use of a concrete damage based constitutive law for masonry applications, data from diagonal tests and earthquake shaking table tests were considered (T.R.E.M.A. project – 2008).

The comparison between experimental data and numerical results, together with the damage pattern allows for a reliable use of the homogenized approach for a «textured» material.

Betti M., Bartoli G., Corazzi R., Kovačević V. (2012). Strumenti Open Source per l'ingegneria strutturale. Modellazione meccanica non lineare di edifici in muratura. Bollettino Ingegneri, Collegio Ingegneri della Toscana, LX (12), 3-15.



Identification of damage causes in a Renaissance Italian palace through nonlinear analysis [2013]

Palazzo Bourbon Del Monte in Piancastagnaio, Tuscany, exhibits a severe and variegated vertical and horizontal cracking pattern. Due to the damage and the consequent structural risk, the palace was evacuated during the '80s.

After the installation of a monitoring system and several in situ tests, a *Code_Aster* nonlinear model was employed to look for an interpretation of the manifested damage.

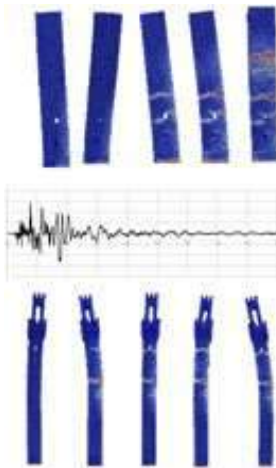
The results allowed an extensive comprehension of the causes of the damage pattern, which were found in the ground instability and water pore pressure changes.



Nonlinear dynamic analysis of masonry towers and tower-like structures, RiSET project [2016]

A seismic vulnerability campaign was initiated on different types of masonry tower structures, including the Torre del Mangia in Siena. After a study on the reliability of different nonlinear constitutive laws for cyclic loading in masonry modeling, the ENDO_ORTH_BETON model was chosen to perform nonlinear dynamic analyses on the towers, revealing a great sensibility of higher vibrating modes for slender elements and in the collapse progression of stiffer structures.

Bartoli G., Betti M., Vignoli A. A numerical study on seismic risk assessment of historic masonry



Dynamic vibration modes identification on Michelangelo's David in comparison with experimental data [2015]

Every year about a million and a half tourists visit the Michelangelo's David in the Accademia Gallery in Florence (Italy). Such a large number (about four thousand people each opening day) motivated in the last few years several concerns. After a two day monitoring with a interferometric radar, a numerical model of the statue was built based on a laser scanner geometrical survey and subsequently employed to evaluate the experimental results.

Pieraccini M., Betti M., Forcellini D., Devis D., Papi F., Bartoli G., Facchini



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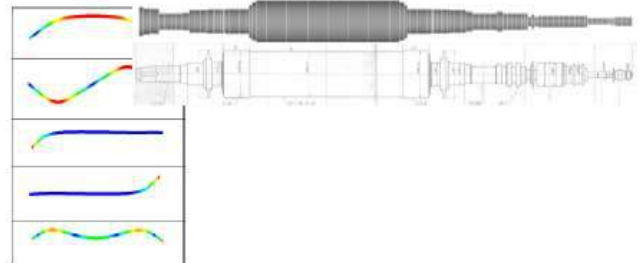
Code_Aster in simulation Based Research & Development Services
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Power Generation

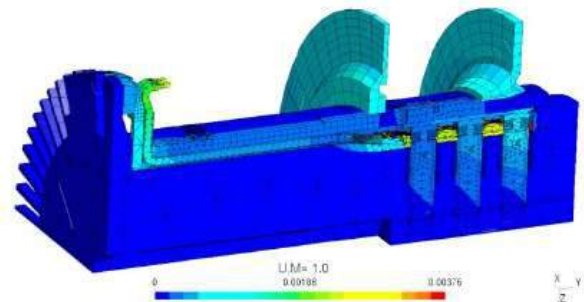
Rotordynamics

Code_Aster as a fundamental tool allows Nobo Solutions to offer a broad scope of rotor dynamics analyses for new and retrofitted rotors for conventional and nuclear turbogenerators applications. The analyses include static deflection, critical speeds and mode shape forms, torsional vibrations, n-alpha diagrams and more.



Structural Integrity

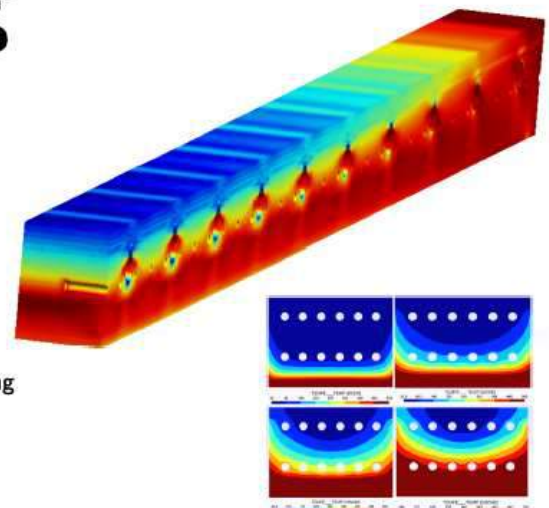
State of the art material models and element formulations in Code_Aster is an important tool for Nobo Solutions in projects where comprehensive structural integrity studies are required. Nobo Solutions expertise in fatigue, fracture and structural dynamics is supported by proven and reliable FE solver. Stress and strain fields obtained for relevant load cases are further used in life-time assessments in in-house developed engineering tools.



Civil Engineering

Composite Materials

For the purpose of a new civil engineering concrete, steel reinforced component mechanical and thermal numerical simulations in Code_Aster were performed. Two constitutive models i.e. Double Drucker-Prager (BETON_DOUBLE_DP) and a model for the anisotropic damage (ENDO_ORTH_BETON) were employed. Both of them gave satisfactory results confirmed by experimental testing. Finally, BETON_DOUBLE_DP was chosen because of its capability to change of properties in dependence of increasing/decreasing thermal load.



Applications submitted by members

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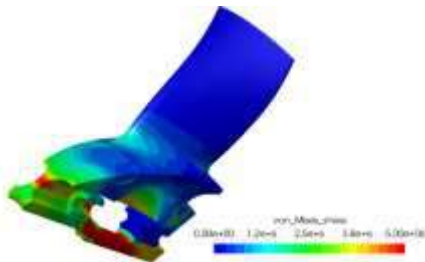
INDUSTRIAL APPLICATION EXAMPLES



The team at Malaika tested the primary ISOfix of world's first Range of child car seats that will surpass every international Safety standard with SimScale.

A static linear analysis was performed with **Code_Aster** on **SimScale** to test the worst case scenario at a force of 3600 N on the bar. The bar and rail were bonded together whereas a sliding contact was defined between the teeth. With a mesh of nearly 360K nodes, it took under 20 min. to complete the simulation on an 8 core machine.

The outcome on the right shows that a small region under teeth has reached the yield point of steel. This allows engineers at Malaika to decide over a design change in order to avoid catastrophic failure during crash.



The team at Schübeler analyzed the stress acting on a turbomachinery blade made out of composite materials for model planes using SimScale.

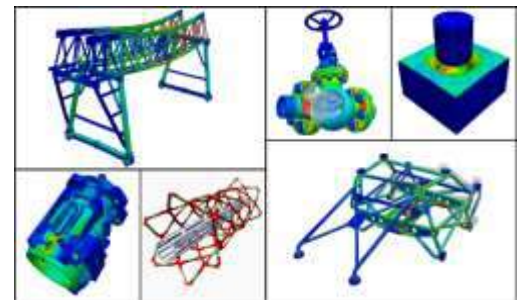
A static nonlinear analysis was performed with **Code_Aster** on **SimScale** to analyze the stresses in a turbomachinery blade rotating at nearly 50 000 rounds per minute. To analyze the actual behavior, physical contacts were defined between blade, ring and axis. With a mesh of nearly 95 K nodes, it only took 21 min. to complete the simulation on 32 core machine

COMMUNITY EXAMPLES

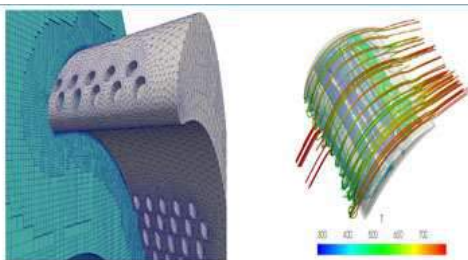
On the **SimScale** community more than 80.000 engineers, professionals, students, hobbyists are using **Code_Aster** to simulate real world problems. Until now, there are around 6000 public projects performed using **Code_Aster** on **SimScale**.

Some of the finished projects from different community users are shown in the right figure that include projects using static, dynamic, thermal and thermo- mechanical solvers.

The complexity of the projects performed daily on **SimScale** shows the true usability of **Code_Aster** in solving problems that may belong to automotive, aerospace, oil & gas, electronics or construction industry without the premise of expert knowledge related to the specificities of the solver.



ACADEMIC EXAMPLES



In the course of a master thesis in a collaboration with TU Hamburg-Harburg and TU München, a structural optimization algorithm was developed based on the Level Set Method in conjunction with the XFEM functionality provided already within **Code_Aster**. Project OGACA, developed by Frédéric Renou, formed the initial starting point. Results showed a very good convergence speed as well as a good performance of the final shape compared to literature as well as results of commercially available tools

In a second master thesis work a partitioned approach to perform conjugate heat transfer analysis was developed. The coupling was done with the multiphysics coupling library preCICE using OpenFOAM and **Code_Aster** solvers to handle the fluid and structural domain respectively.

Industrial and research centers, services providers and teachers are welcome

75 members - 17 countries

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France	UK	France	France	France	Czech Republic	France
Germany	Canada	Spain	France	France	Germany	France
UK	Germany	Germany	France	Korea	Italy	France
France	France	France	UK	France	France	Poland
Switzerland	France	France	Switzerland	Germany	France	Spain
France	France	Japan	France	Poland	France	Germany
France	Poland	France	France	Germany	Switzerland	Italy
Germany	Canada	Germany	Mexico	China	France	Canada
	Latvia	Germany	Germany	Chile	Algeria	