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LTAS-Fracture Mechanics



❖ Keywords

- MODELISATION, FINITE ELEMENT BOUNDARY ELEMENT
- FRACTURE, DAMAGE, FATIGUE
- PLASTICITY, VISCOPLASTICITY
- LIMIT ANALYSIS AND LIMIT DESIGN
- COMPOSITES, CERAMICS

❖ Staff

- Four engineer-researchers, two PhD students
- One technician, one and a half secretary

❖ Research interests

- **Modelisation of cracks structures and estimation of toughness and duration of life.**
- **Simulation of propagation of the cracks under fatigue conditions.**
- **Delamination of composite and ceramic structures.**
- Direct computational of the limit states (limit analysis, shakedown analysis) using mathematical programming techniques.

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❖ Typical current research contracts (Failures by plastic deformations)

- *Development and improvement of the CEPAO software for the analysis and the optimal plastic design of frame structures in the conditions of simple and cyclic loading, **Continuous research.***
- *Limit and shakedown analysis of elbows pipes and nuclear components by finite element methods and mathematical programming techniques. **Research in collaboration with NNC, subsidized by CEE-AG2.***
- *Comparative studies of the direct determination of the limit states (limit analysis, limit shakedown) by mathematical programming the techniques with the step by step elastoplastic algorithm. **Research in collaboration with NNC, FPMS, subsidized by CEE-AG2.***

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❖ Typical current research contracts (Failures by fractures)

- *Comparative studies of the classic methods, V.C.E, E.D.I. and integral J for the computation of the stress of intensity factors of 3D cracked structures in linear and nonlinear conditions.* Research ordered by Aérospatiale-Toulouse, Eurocopter-Marignane and SEP via SAMTECH.
- *Determination of the toughness of the cracked structures (Multicrack problem, crack growth under fatigue by Boundary Element Method.* Continuous Research.
- *Automatic meshing into finite elements and automatic numerical sticking of a cracked box.* Research ordered by Eurocopter-Marignane via SAMTECH.
- *Modelisation of the delamination of the composites.* Research subsidized by the Mobilization Program on the Multimaterials, Walloon Region.



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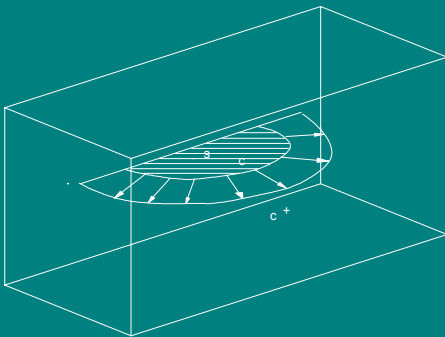
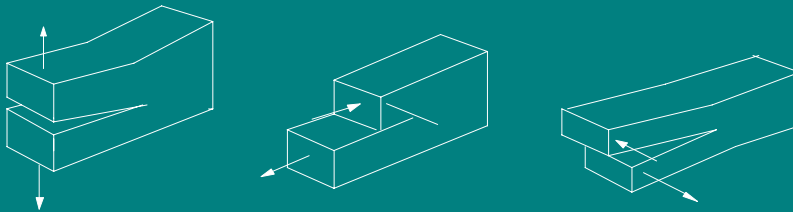
❖ Typical PhD thesis

- *On some problems in solid mechanics with convex potentials, (G. de SAXCE, 1986).*
- *Limit analysis with second order effects, (B. BORHANI, Compiègne - 1988).*
- *On the dual shakedown analysis of plates and shells using finite element method and mathematical programming techniques, (P. MORELLE, 1989).*
- *A singular family of hybrid finite elements useful for cracked metallic and composite structures, (C.H. KANG, Compiègne 1991, co-directed with G. de SAXCE).*
- *Limit states of elbows using finite element method and mathematical programming techniques, (R.J. JOSPIN, 1992).*
- *Comparison of direct and step by step elastoplastic analysis of structures subjected to repeated loading, (C.T. BUI, in preparation).*
- *Multiple cracks growth under fatigue by Dual Boundary Element Method, (A.M. JAN, in preparation)...*

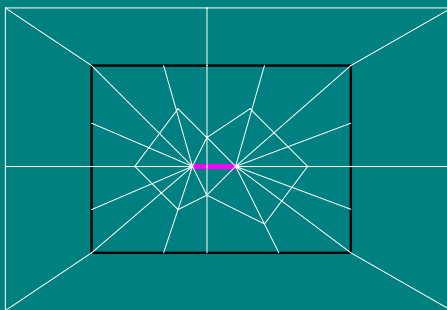
Effects of residual stresses in cracked structures (metallic) under fatigue - B1



❖ Existing tools in SAMCEF for fracture mechanics



Box of crack

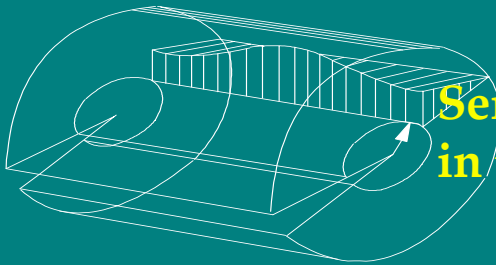
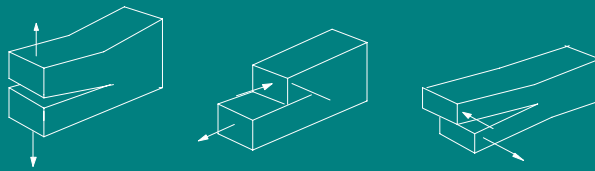


Numerical sticking

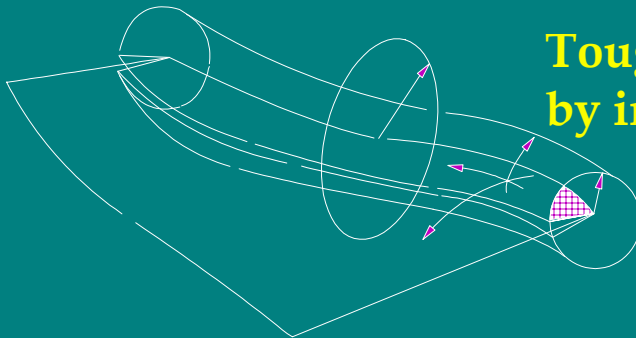
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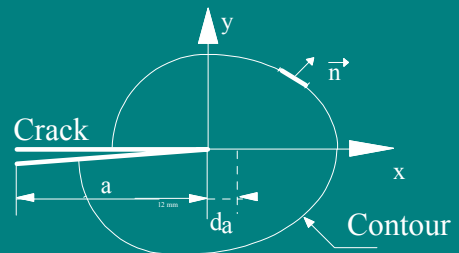
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Semi-automatic meshing in the neighbourhood of crack



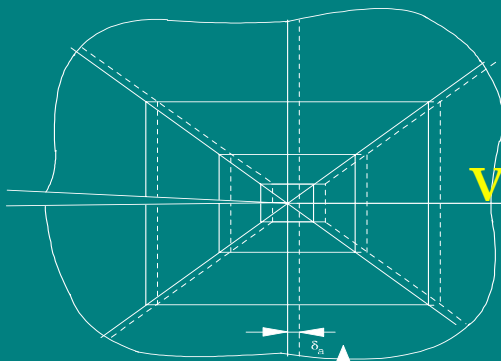
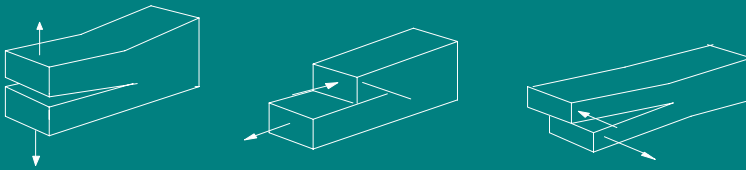
Toughness estimation by integral J via EDI method



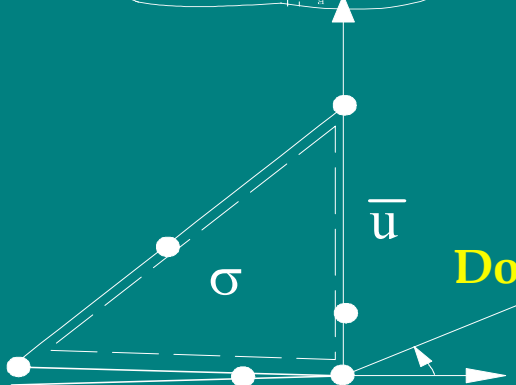
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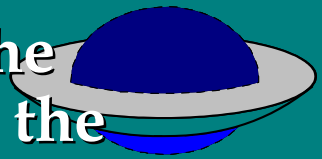
VCE estimation of toughness



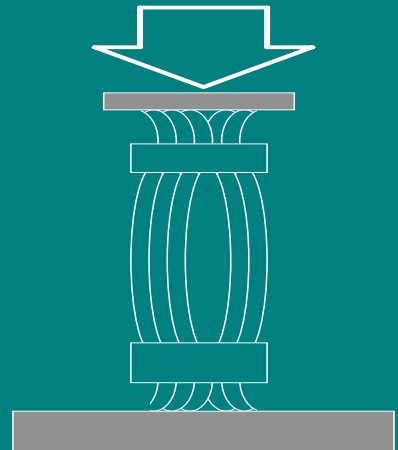
Doubly Singular Metis Element

Modelisation and simulation of growth of damage and failure of composite structures under fatigue loadings - B3

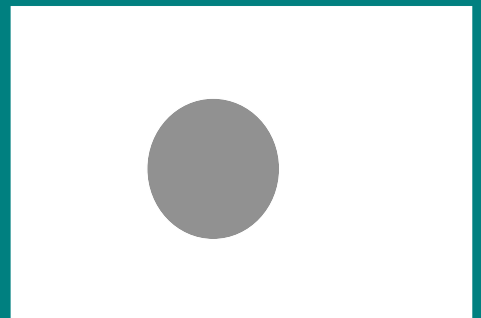
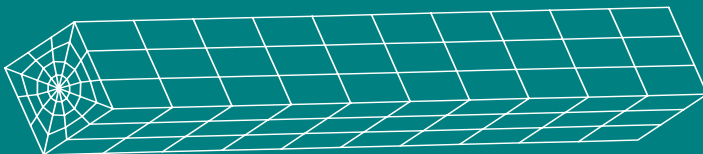
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Delamination
Damage
Fatigue ?
Impact ?



Homogenization

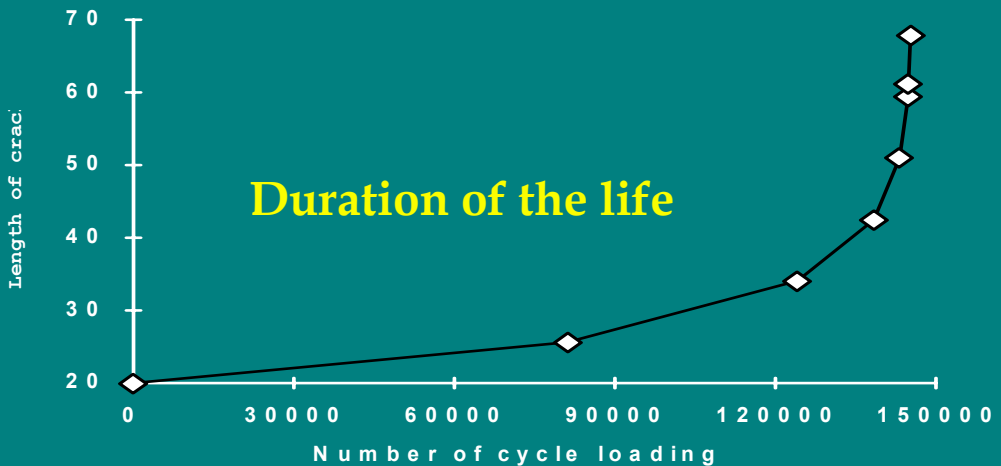
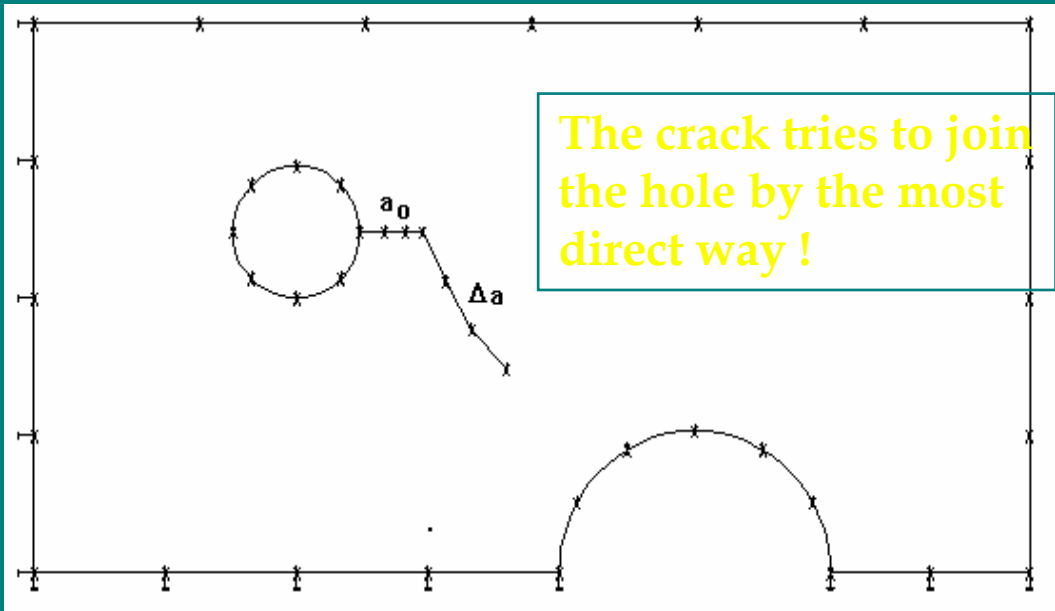


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- ❖ Modelisation of crack growth using Dual Boundary Element Method

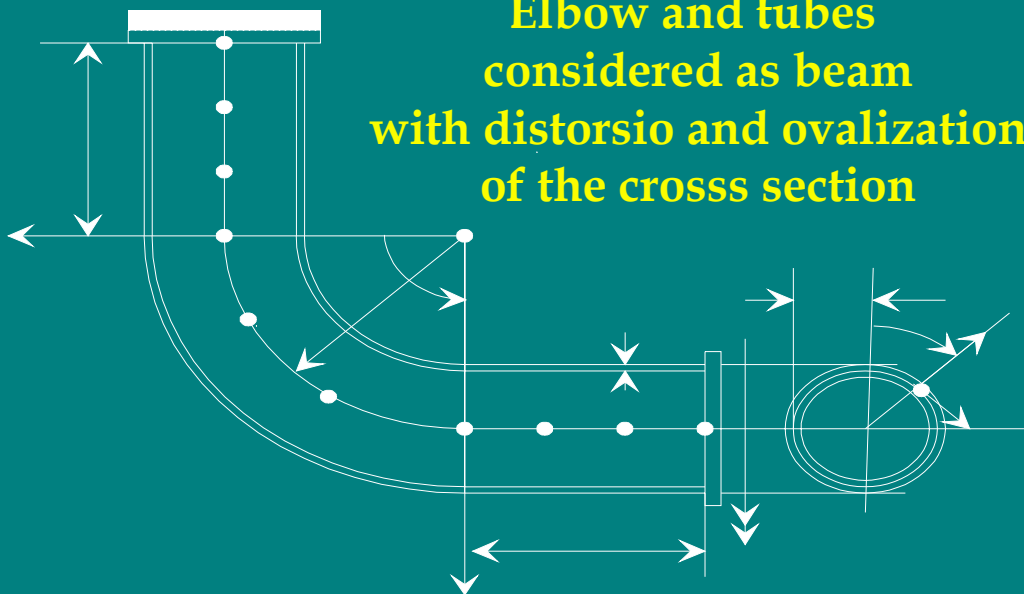
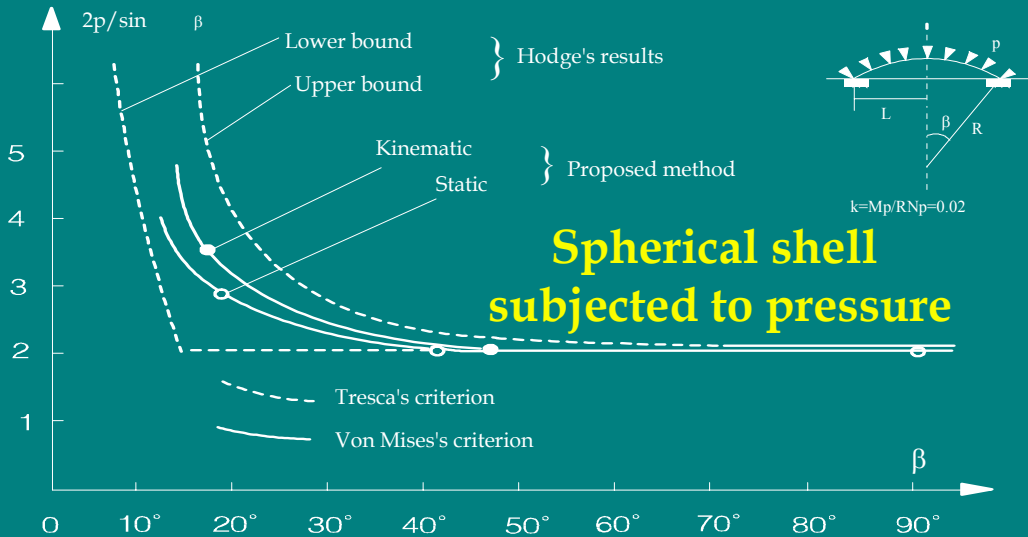


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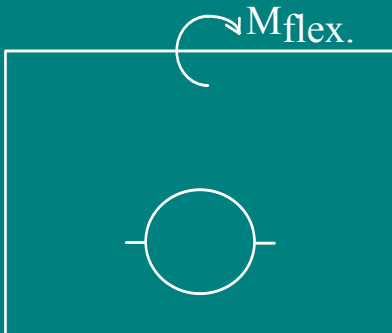


- ❖ Limit analysis and shakedown analysis of plates, pipes and shells



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Toughness computation
of 3 D structures
Von-Mises stresses distribution

