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The **CAMMS'** objective is developed numerical methods and procedures for the prediction and characterization of the performance of composites and advanced materials, and to use these methods in the analysis of large multifunctional structures that are found in all engineering fields: naval, energy, aeronautical, civil, automotive, etc.







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Advanced constitutive modelling for composite materials

Novel and advanced constitutive models have been developed and applied for the simulation of failure process in unidirectional fibre reinforced polymers. The failure of a multidirectional laminate has been studied using **a coupled plastic and damage constitutive model**.



Stress and Strain energy (vs Strain) during matrix cracking at the microstructural level (left side). Full numerical simulation of Open Hole under compression load and its comparison with experimental results







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Numerical models to predict the performance of additive manufactured materials

The group is working on the characterization of the mechanical performance of additive manufactured composite materials by means of anisotropy models coupled with composite formulations such as the serial-parallel mixing theory



Characterization of an additive manufactured dog bone specimen made of PLA material with different printing orientations (0° and 45°)





Design of architectured materials and lattice structures

New fast algorithms have been defined and implemented in the group to obtain lightweight structures. Through a new dehomogenization technique, the team has developed new algorithms for the design of lattice structures



New algorithms developed to rapidly design optimal lattice structures



Shape and topology algorithms implemented for generative design of materials and structures





Design of 3D lightweight structures

New algorithms have been developed for the design of materials including metamaterials, and architectured materials.







Generative design for additive manufacturing

New designs have to fulfil the manufacturing requirements. New algorithms have been developed to consider additive manufacturing constraints in the design process including overhang constraints





Overhang constraints implemented in topology optimization algorithms. Now structures may be built using 3D printers





Reduced order models to characterize composite beams

The existing anisotropy of composite pultruded beams can be captured by a reduced order model that is obtained from a full 3D characterization of the beam configuration. The results obtained from the reduced order model are then condensed to a standard beam formulation in order to facilitate their use by standard finite element codes.



Subdomain deformation modes of an omega pultruded beam obtained with the reduced order model





Analysis of structural connections and shell discontinuities by means of reduced order models

The analysis of large composite structures is usually conducted with shell elements that cannot capture irregularities such as connections, stiffeners and other discontinuities. The group is working on the definition of new shell elements that obtain their stiffness matrix from the analysis of a detailed 3D solid model.



Analysis of a stiffened shell element with the reduced order model developed





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Understanding the porous and viscous effects of brain tissue (collaboration with FAU in Erlangen, Germany).





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Influence of mechanics on bone growth and joint formation (collaboration with Northeastern University in Boston US).







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Mechanobiological mechanisms in the vacuum-assisted closure of an oesophagal anastomotic leakage (collaboration with B. Braun Barcelona).





High cycle fatigue formulation

Numerical capabilities in the HCF study.

- Close link with experiment. The model is calibrated through standard information: 2 SN curves + strength/stiffness evolution information.
- Continuous description of the phenomenon. After the model calibration any $S_{max} R$ pair can be addressed and constant/variable amplitude loading.
- **Crack path detection**. The analysis allows to detect the initiation and describe the evolution of the associated degradation.
- **Multi-material application**. The model has been used on AHSS, PHS, aluminum, GFRP and CFRP materials.
- **Geometry independent material parameters.** Calibration of S-N curves is done at coupon level followed by processing into geometry independent curves, ensuring transferability to component scale.



Resulting in a tool easy to implement, versatile allowing for an advanced study of the phenomenon, useful for optimization and design purposes



















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Reinforced concrete as composite material – application to prestressed structures







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Plastic damage constitutive models for monotonic and cyclic loading

<u>Uncoupled plastic-damage CL</u>, $(\cdot)_{uc}^{pd}$

Model based on the RoM particularized for two "component CLs": damage and plasticity.

$$\begin{split} & \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{uc}^{pd} = k^{d} (1-d) \cdot \mathbb{C}_{0} : \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} + (1-k^{d}) \cdot \mathbb{C}_{0} : (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} - \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{p}) \\ & \textbf{Yield criteria:} \qquad \mathbb{F}_{0}^{d} = S_{0} - \mathcal{K}_{0}^{d} \leq 0 \qquad \wedge \qquad \mathbb{F}^{p} = S - \mathcal{K}^{p} \leq 0 \\ & \textbf{Flow rule:} \qquad d \sim S_{0} \qquad \wedge \qquad \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^{p} = \dot{\lambda} \frac{\partial \mathbb{G}^{p}}{\partial \sigma^{p}} \\ & \textbf{Semi-coupled plastic-damage CL,} (\cdot)_{sc}^{pd} \\ & \textbf{Model proposed by Luccioni and latter used by Barbu for the study of LCF processes.} \\ & \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{sc}^{pd} = (1-d) \cdot \mathbb{C}_{0} : (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} - \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{p}) \\ & \textbf{Yield criteria:} \qquad \mathbb{F}^{d} = S - \mathcal{K}^{d} \leq 0 \qquad \wedge \qquad \mathbb{F}^{p} = S - \mathcal{K}^{p} \leq 0 \end{split}$$

Damage and plasticity consistency conditions.

Reinterpretation of the model proposed by Meschke et al [18] and Wu and Cervera [19] based on a normalised dissipation variable, κ_{pd} . Yield criteria: $\mathbb{F}^{pd} = S - \mathcal{K}^{pd} \le 0$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{c}^{pd} = \mathbb{C}_{s} : \left(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} - \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{p}\right)$$

Flow rule: $\dot{d} \wedge \dot{\varepsilon}^p \sim f(\dot{\lambda})$

<u>Coupled plastic-damage CL</u>, $(\cdot)_{c}^{pd}$

Flow rule:
$$\dot{\mathbb{D}} = \xi \, \dot{\phi} \, \Omega \, \mho$$
 \wedge $\dot{\varepsilon}^p = (1 - \xi) \cdot \dot{\phi} \frac{\partial \mathbb{G}^{pd}}{\partial \sigma_c^{pd}}$





Fluctuating (un)coupled plastic-damage model

- **Objective:** adapting the material response (plasticity-damage) along the simulation.
- First step in the direction of the **unified analysis**. $k^d \longrightarrow k^d(?) \wedge \xi \longrightarrow \xi(?)$
- Uniqueness condition. This affects both models, where the material stress state is k^d-dependent in the uncoupled case and the threshold is ξ-dependent in the coupled case.







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Initiation of the fatigue crack in the three-point bending configuration under mode I loading compared with the experimental data at R = 0.1

Initiation of the fatigue crack in double-notch shear configuration in R = 0.1



Contact and tire mechanics

Methodologies to model implicit frictional contact and tire mechanics

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Fluid – Structure Interaction

Finite Element Method (FEM)

- ✓ **Large displacement** (Total Lagrangian)
- ✓ Fracture mechanics
- ✓ Element removal

Particle Finite Element Method (PFEM)

- Lagrangian method for large deformations problems
- ✓ Massive remeshing
- ✓ Time step solution with FEM









Fluid – Structure Interaction







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Fluid – Structure Interaction

















Displacement [mm]





Thermomechanical calculations

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Contact Mechanics – forming simulations







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• Optimize macro model parameters to match micro scale masonry







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