



# SIMULIA for the Automotive Industry

September 2011



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-  Products
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 **SIMULIA - The Dassault Systemes brand**  
dedicated to making...

# Realistic Simulation

an *integral*  
business practice

to Explore,  
Discover,  
Understand,  
Improve

*product, life, & nature*





...to **Reduce** Physical Testing, and

**Save** significant

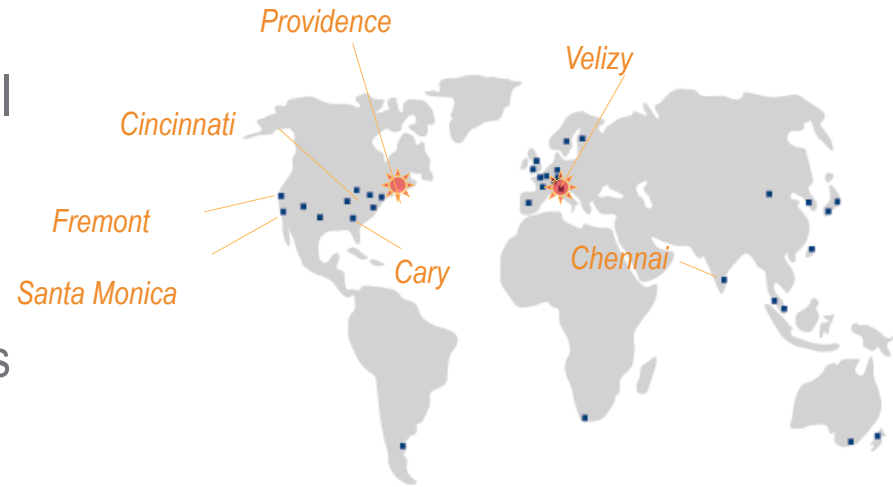
**Time** and **Money**



Courtesy Mechanical Design and Analysis Corporation, 2010 SCC

# Global Presence – Local Support

- Brand headquarters in Providence, RI
  - 300+ in RI, 800+ Worldwide
  - 30+ Centers for Simulation Excellence
  - Expansion through Dassault Systèmes Offices and Channels
  
- Strong focus on R&D
  - 7 R&D labs
  
- Dedicated to:
  - High-quality products and support
  - Innovative technology
  - Customer satisfaction





# Global Presence – Local Support

## Dedicated support staff in Plymouth, MI



### Local sales and support office

- Dedicated Support Staff
- Dedicated Consulting Staff (for overflow work and methods development)
- Regionally-located strategy and operations staff focused on automotive & transportation



### Support is part of the licensing

- On-line support and help
- Live telephone support with local staff
  - Extensive automotive and powertrain domain knowledge

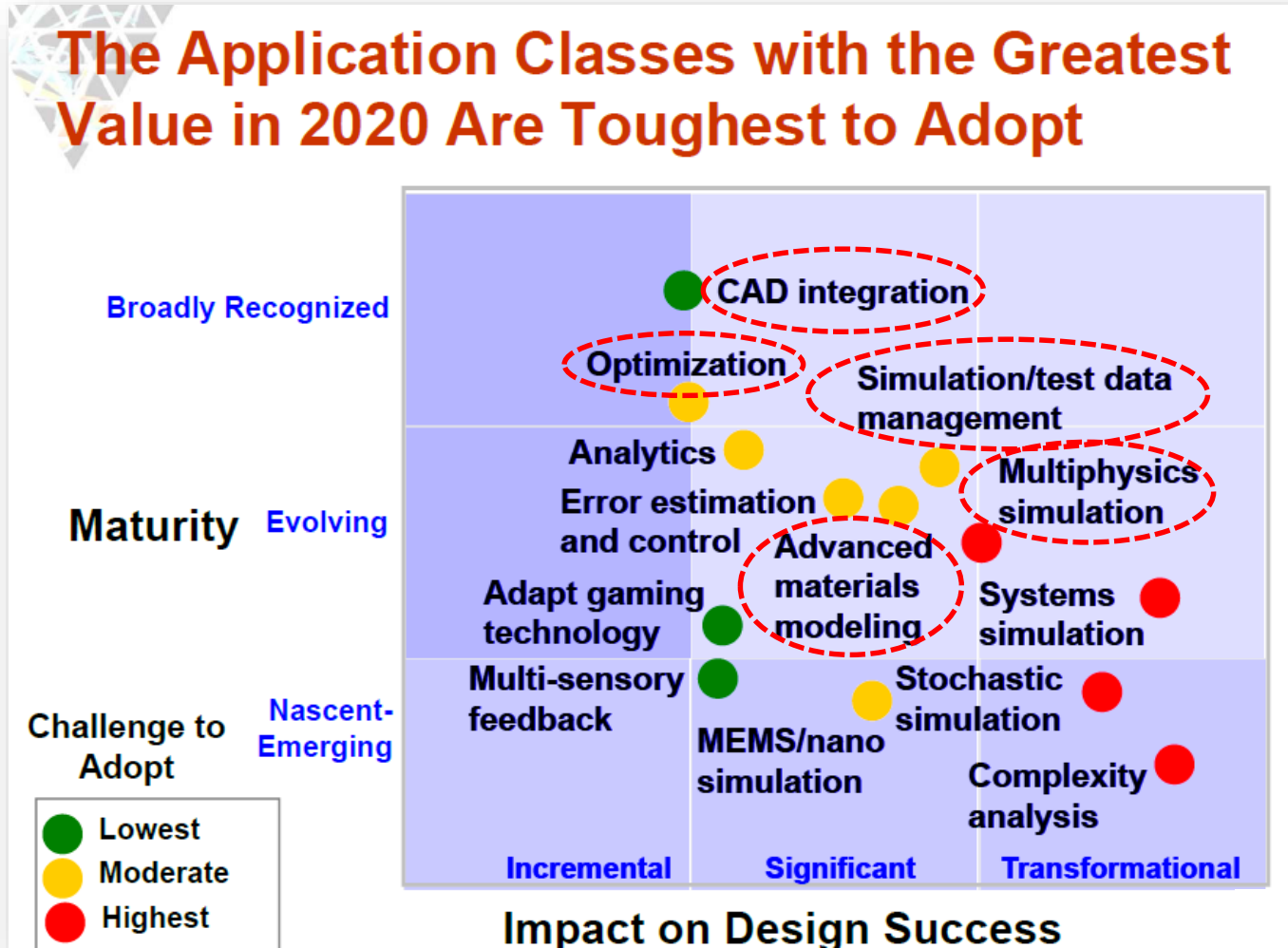
# Products



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# Gartner: Applications with Greatest Value



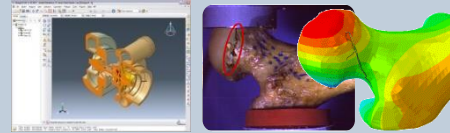
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# SIMULIA Product Portfolio

## Abaqus Unified FEA

- Abaqus/CAE
- Abaqus Standard/Explicit
- Abaqus for CATIA V5

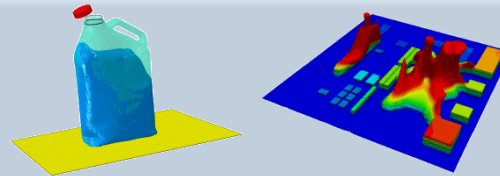


Continued technology leadership & innovation

Advanced Materials

## Multiphysics

- Fluids (CEL, CFD)
- FSI
- Co-simulation

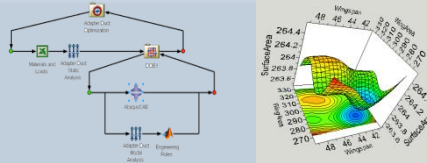


More physics, open co-simulation

Multiphysics

## Isight

- Design/Runtime Gateway
- Application Components
- Process Drivers

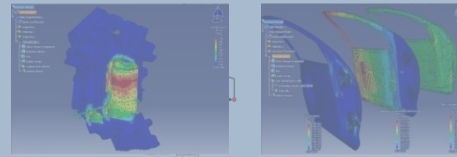


Design exploration & optimization

Optimization

## V5 Design Analysis

- Non-Linear Analysis
- Thermal Analysis
- Advanced Meshing

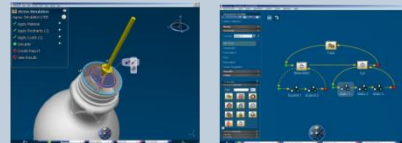


Simulation for designers using V5

CAD Integration

## SIMULIA V6

- DesignSight
- General Purpose Products
- Open Scientific Platform

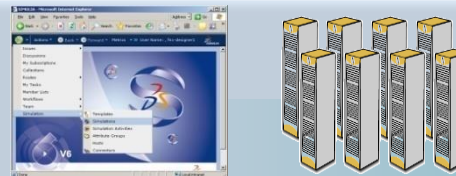


Next-gen tools for designers & Abaqus users

Simulation Management

## SLM

- Scenario Definition
- Live Simulation Review
- Execution Engine



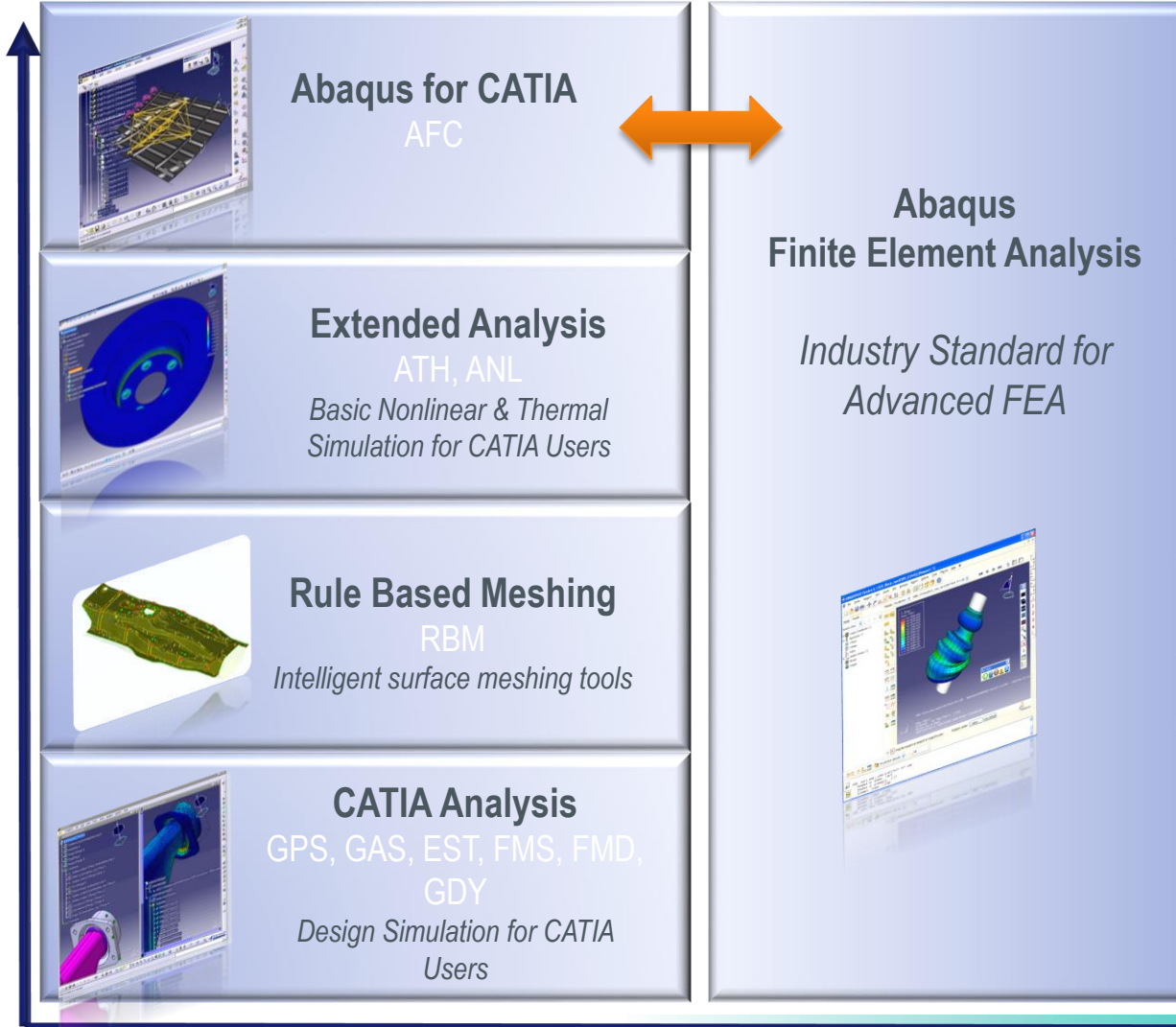
Manage simulation data, processes & IP



# SIMULIA Product Portfolio: Unified FEA

Scalable solutions

Technology Sophistication



Designers

Engineer<sub>10</sub>

CAE Specialist



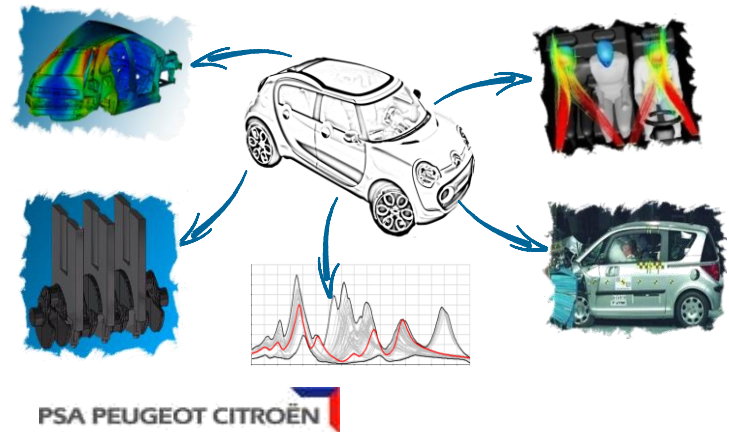
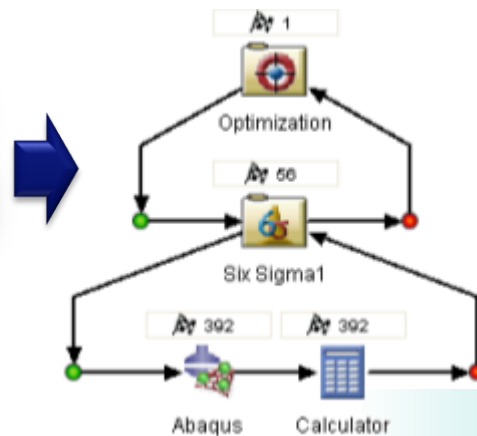
# Isight: Automation & Optimization

- Create simulation process flows
- Execute multiple simulation studies automatically
- Distribute simulations across multiprocessor compute resources
- Evaluate multiple design options in one step
- Find the Best Design
  - Design-to-target for simulation attributes and quality
  - Manage variations in materials, loads and tolerances

## Components



## Isight



# Automotive Applications



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# SIMULIA in Automotive

30-year history in the Automotive industry

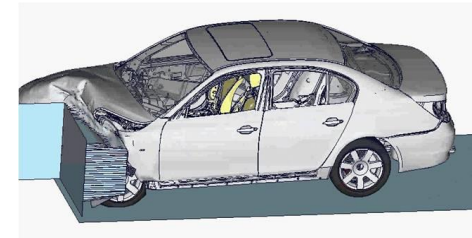
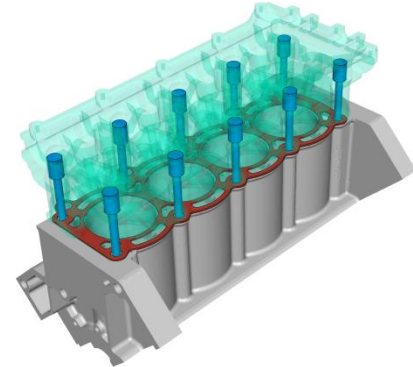
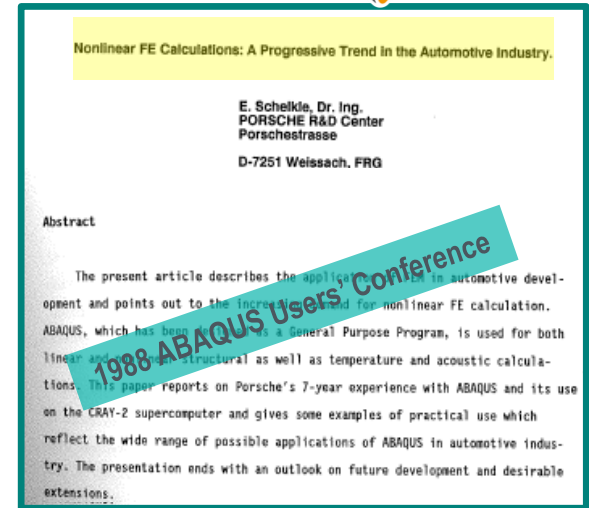
 SIMULIA presence at large majority of Automotive OEMs and suppliers

- Automotive represents largest SIMULIA industry segment

 Extensive functionality to address wide range of structural workflows

- Nonlinearity (Materials, Contact, Large Deformations,...)
- Linear, Advanced Linear; High Performance
- Accuracy, Quality

 Strong technical support and customer relationships

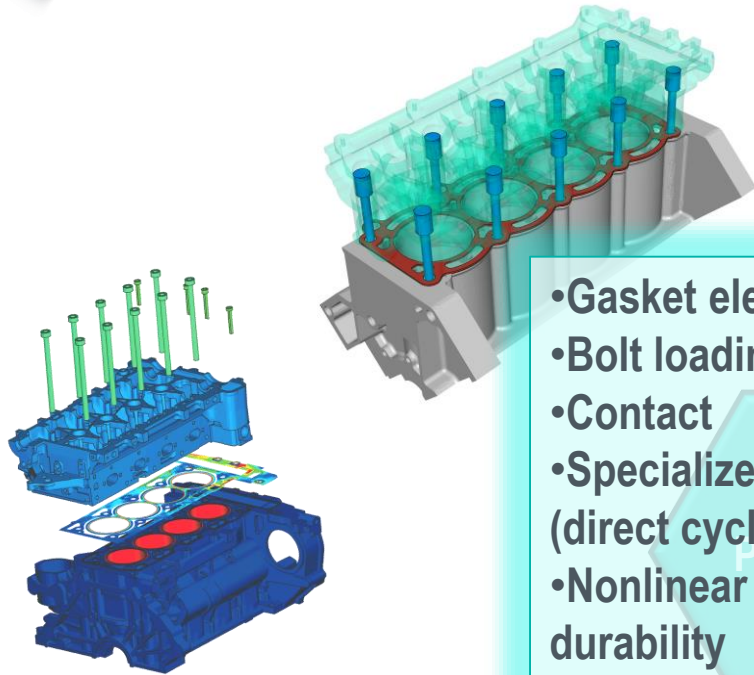


# Key Automotive Simulation Solutions

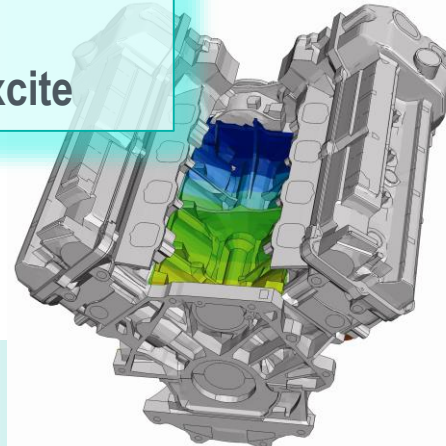
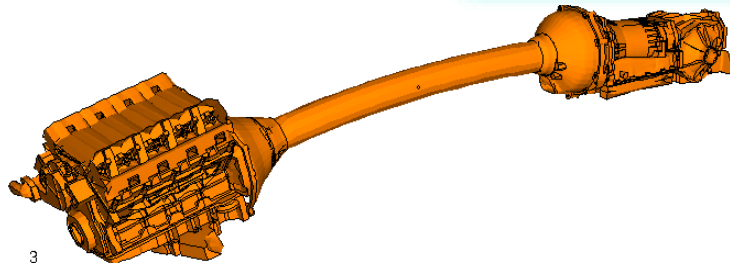
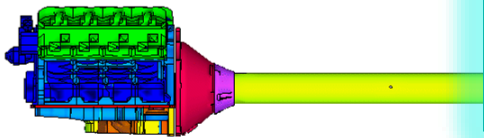
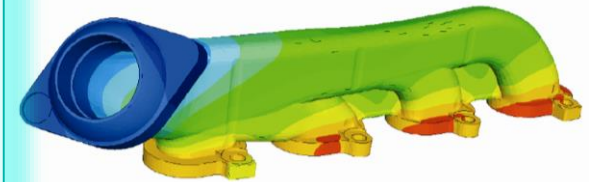
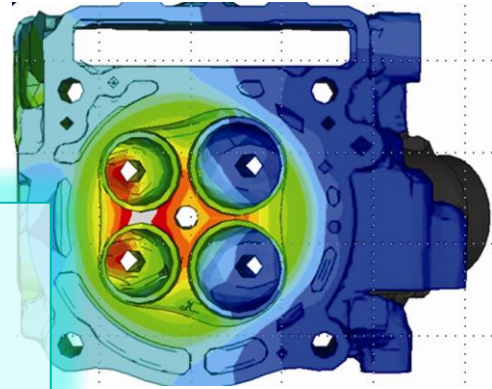




# Key Automotive Workflows



- Gasket elements
- Bolt loading
- Contact
- Specialized procedures (direct cyclic,...)
- Nonlinear thermomechanical durability
- Performance/parallelization
- Direct and iterative solvers
- Full N&V capabilities
- Coupling with AVL Excite



# Powertrain

## MAHLE Powertrain

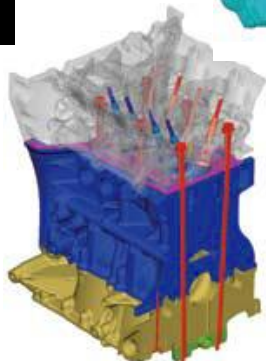
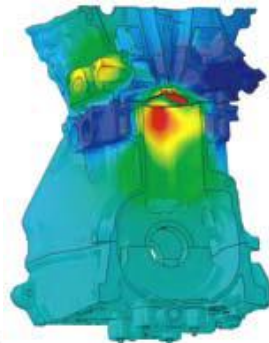
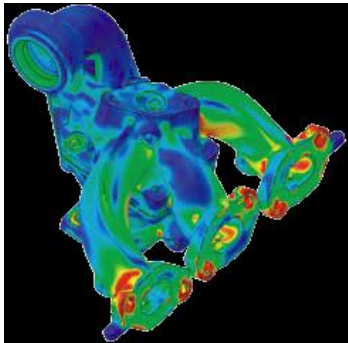
### Engine downsizing

- Meeting stringent emissions requirements
- While maintaining strong performance characteristics



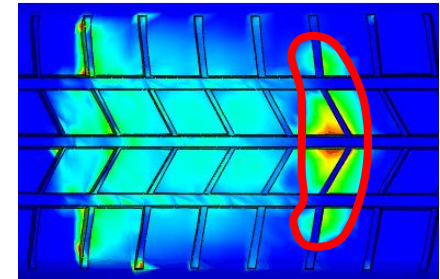
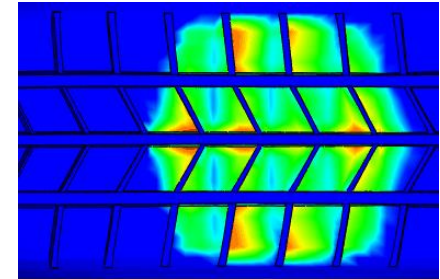
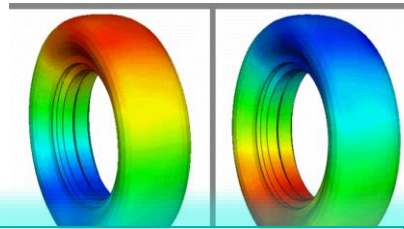
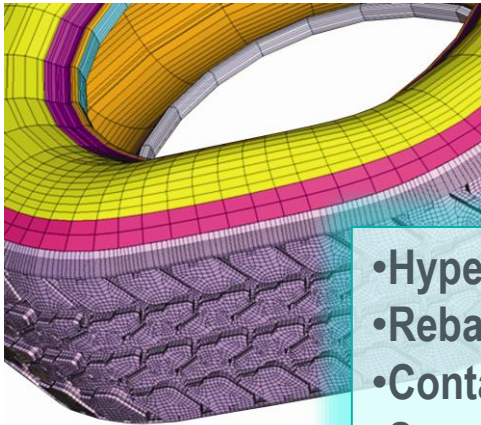
### Multiple design simulation applications

- Crankshaft dynamics
- Head/Block assembly thermomechanical durability
- Exhaust manifold fatigue life
- ...

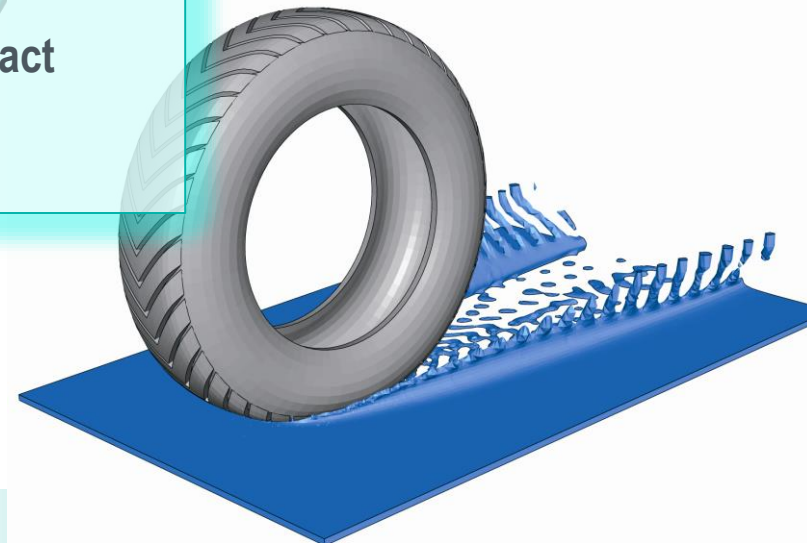
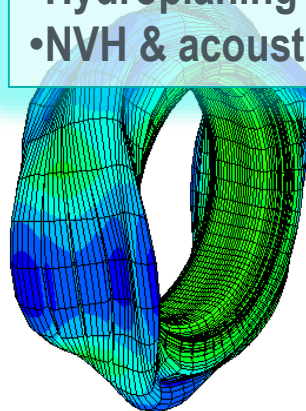
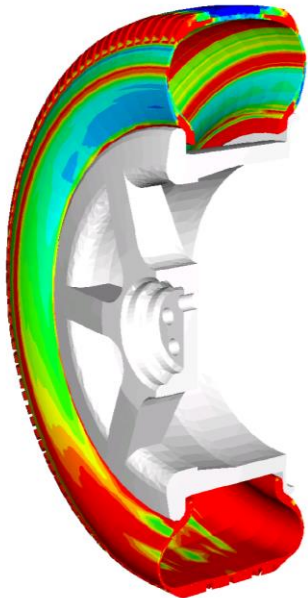




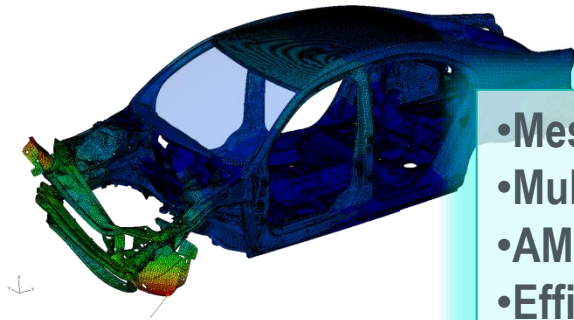
# Key Automotive Workflows



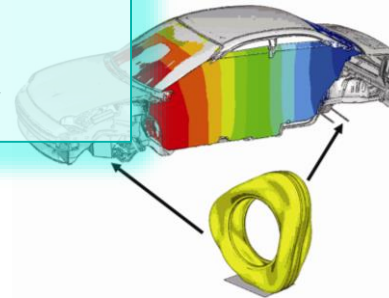
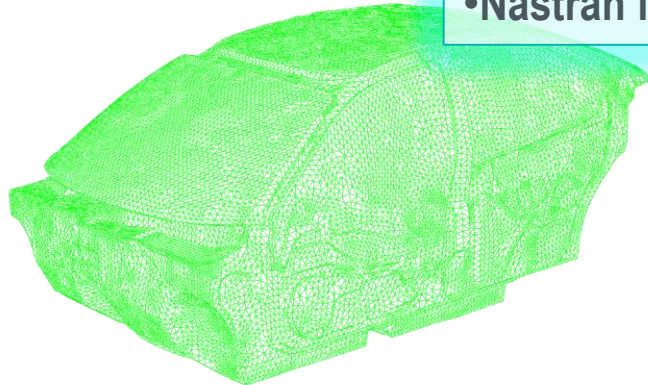
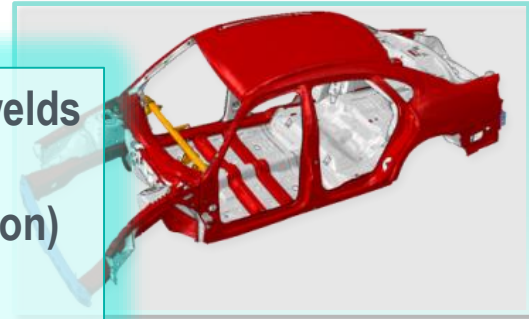
- Hyperelasticity, viscoelasticity
- Rebar (reinforcement)
- Contact
- Symmetric model generation
- Mounting/Inflation/Footprint
- Steady-state rolling
- Durability/wear
- Abusive loading/impact
- Hydroplaning
- NVH & acoustics



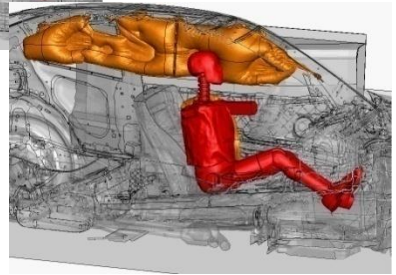
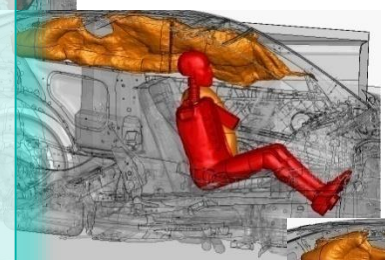
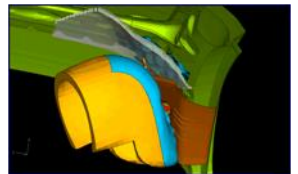
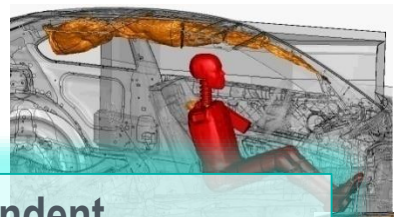
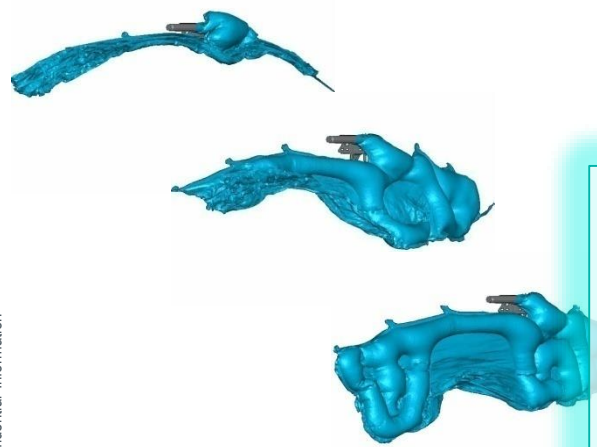
# Key Automotive Workflows



- Mesh independent spotwelds
- Multilevel substructures
- AMS (eigenvalue extraction)
- Efficient linear dynamics
- Acoustics
- Body N&V
- Advanced effects (damping, rolling tires, nonlinear preloading)
- Nastran interoperability

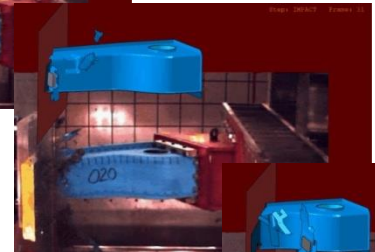
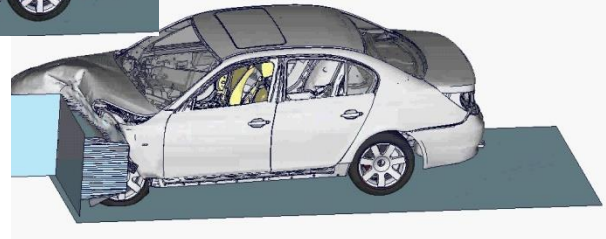
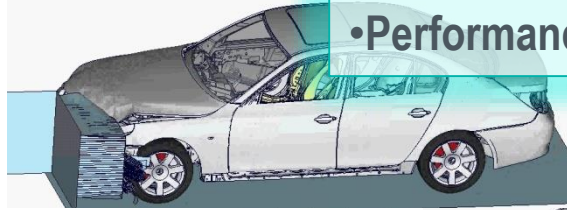
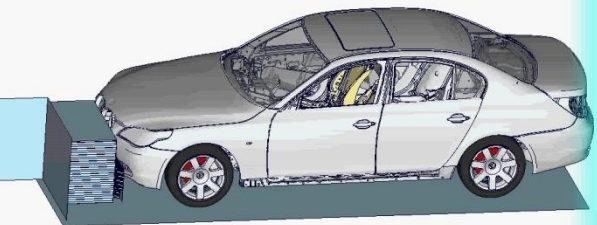


# Key Automotive Workflows



- Mesh independent connections
- Material, connection damage/failure
- Composites crushing
- Robust general contact
- Dummy, impactor, barrier models
- Restraint systems (seatbelts, folded airbag deployment)
- Performance/parallelization

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# Passive Safety

## BMW

### Zero prototype design process objective

- Significant cost savings and greater efficiency
- **“Predictiveness”** for design simulation of central importance

**Predictive Crashworthiness Simulation in a Virtual Design Process without Hardware Testing**

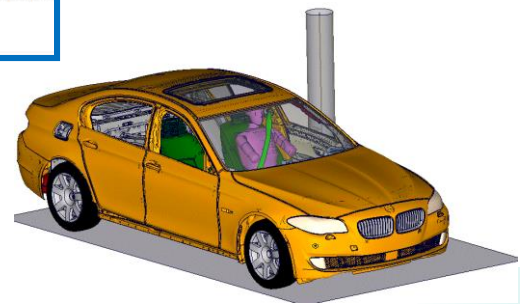
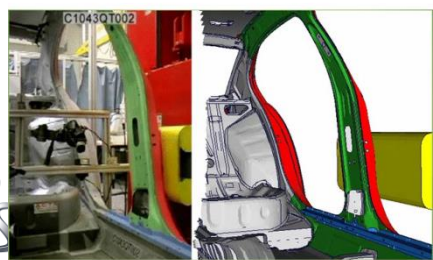
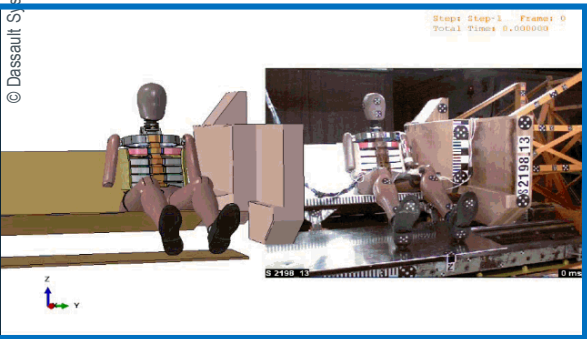
Jürgen Lescheticky, Hariakto Hooputra, and Doris Ruckdeschel  
BMW Group, Munich

*In 2006 BMW made a decision to use Abaqus/Explicit for all issues concerning passive safety in the virtual design process. Code quality and reliability of simulation results were identified as the primary reasons to change, and from that decision point forward, all product development teams began migration activities to switch to Abaqus/Explicit.*

*Meanwhile, the entire vehicle design and development process within BMW began to undergo fundamental changes, from one which previously incorporated key milestones involving physical prototypes, to one which seeks to largely eliminate physical prototypes and associated physical tests. Nowadays, BMW design engineers will get the first feedback from physical tests only after the series production tools have been manufactured. Therefore, design changes at that point will be extremely expensive. Furthermore, no physical test results will be available to calibrate and improve finite element models of virtual crash cars in the earlier phases of the development process. So predictiveness is now the most important criterion for BMW's passive safety*

### Wide range of passive safety applications

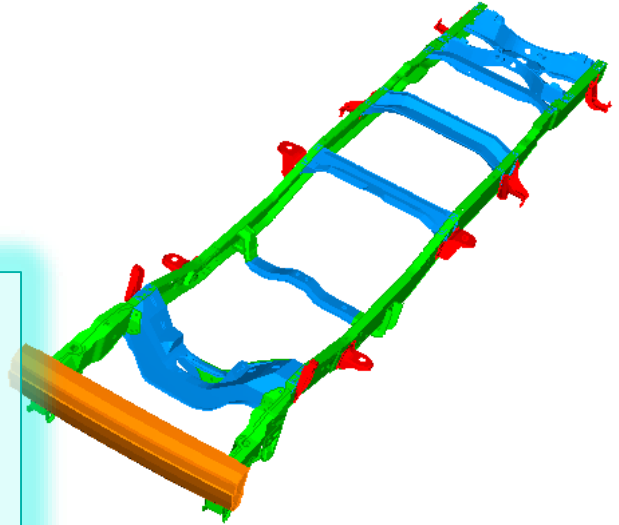
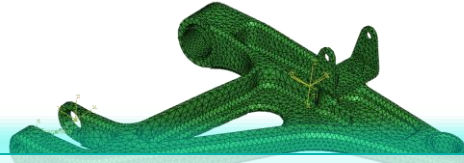
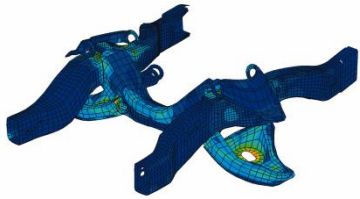
- Structural crashworthiness
- Occupant safety
- Pedestrian safety
- ...
- Simultaneously accounting for both global response and detailed local behavior (damage/failure)



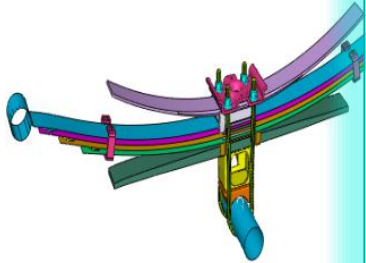
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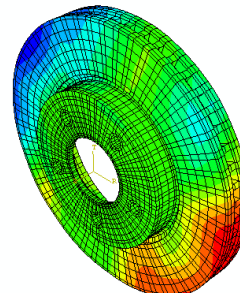
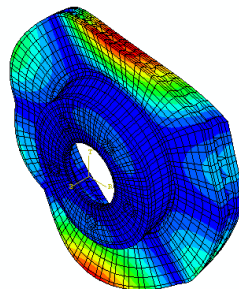
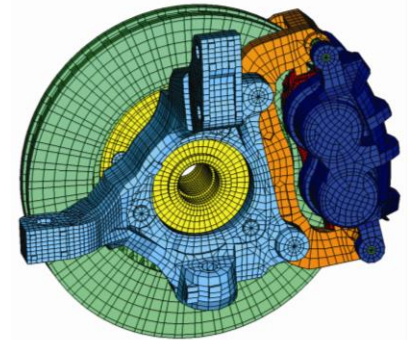
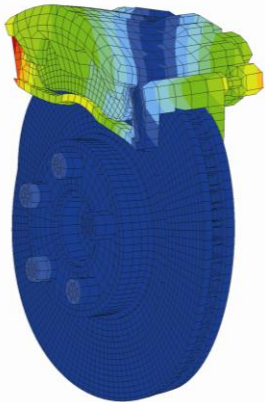
# Key Automotive Workflows



- Plasticity, contact, other nonlinearities
- Joints, mechanisms (connectors)
- Brake squeal (complex eigensolver)
- Thermomechanical durability



Chassis / Brakes

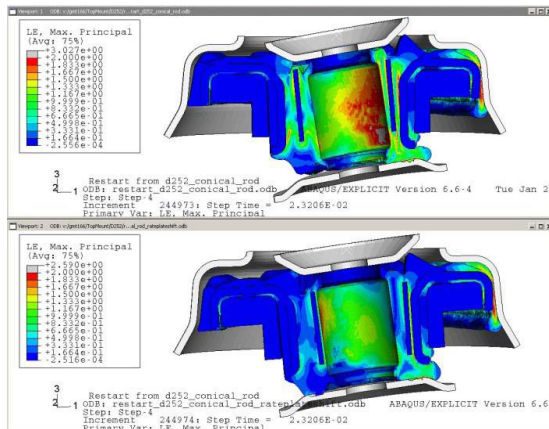


# Chassis Durability

## GENERAL MOTORS

Simulation incorporated into mainstream product design processes

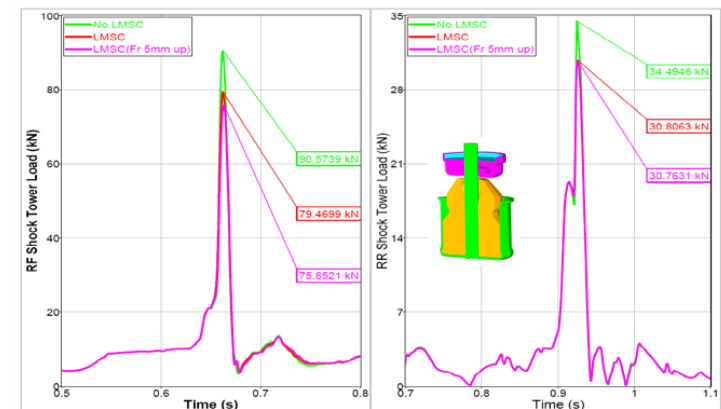
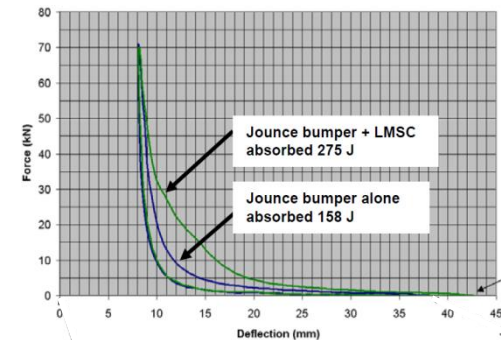
- Strength/durability design simulation for metallic and elastomeric components and assemblies
- Static, dynamic; nonlinear, linear



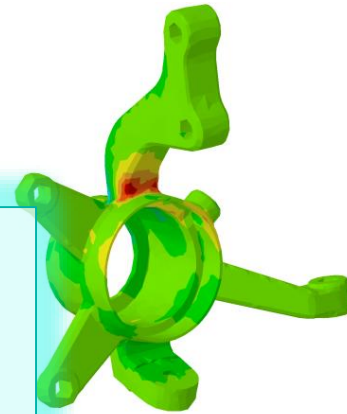
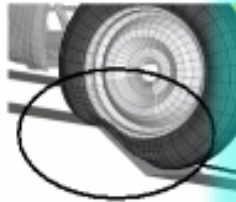
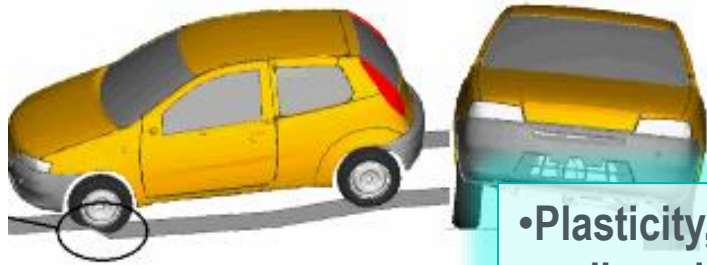
## Recent Applications of Abaqus/Explicit in GM Chassis CAE

Robert L. Geisler, Ravindra Patil, Dr. Joseph Schudt, Dr. Sung-Ling Twu  
General Motors Global Product Development – Chassis CAE

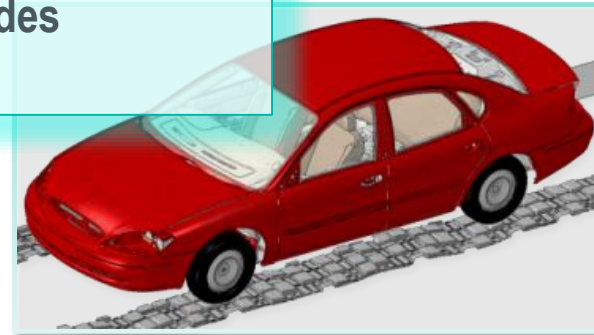
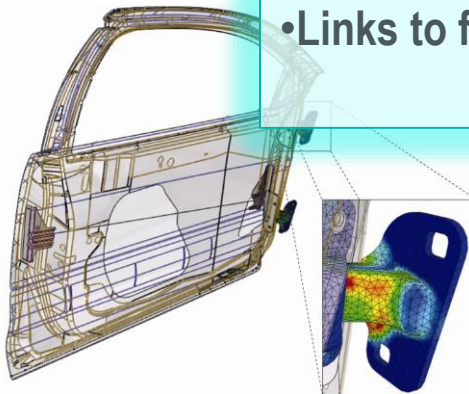
*Abstract: GM Chassis CAE has used ABAQUS successfully for many years. In the past most problems examined were more traditional durability and strength analyses of metallic structural components. Recently we have used ABAQUS/Explicit to great advantage to assess and solve for a wider range of component materials and loadings such as elastomers, sealing and impact. This presentation highlights some recent examples of these types of analyses, as well as sharing some general conclusions and lessons learned from these studies.*



# Key Automotive Workflows



- Plasticity, contact & other nonlinearities
- Tires, substructures, connectors,...
- Implicit-Explicit co-simulation
- Full vehicle simulation (abusive event, rough road)
- Links to fatigue codes



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# Full Vehicle Durability

## FIAT

Enhanced simulation realism for vehicle durability

- Abusive events (pothole,...)
- Fatigue reference roads

### Vehicle Fatigue Load Prediction based on Finite Element TIRE/ROAD Interaction implemented in an Integrated Implicit-Explicit Approach

E. Duni, G. Toniato

FIAT Group Automobiles

R. Saponaro, P. Smeriglio

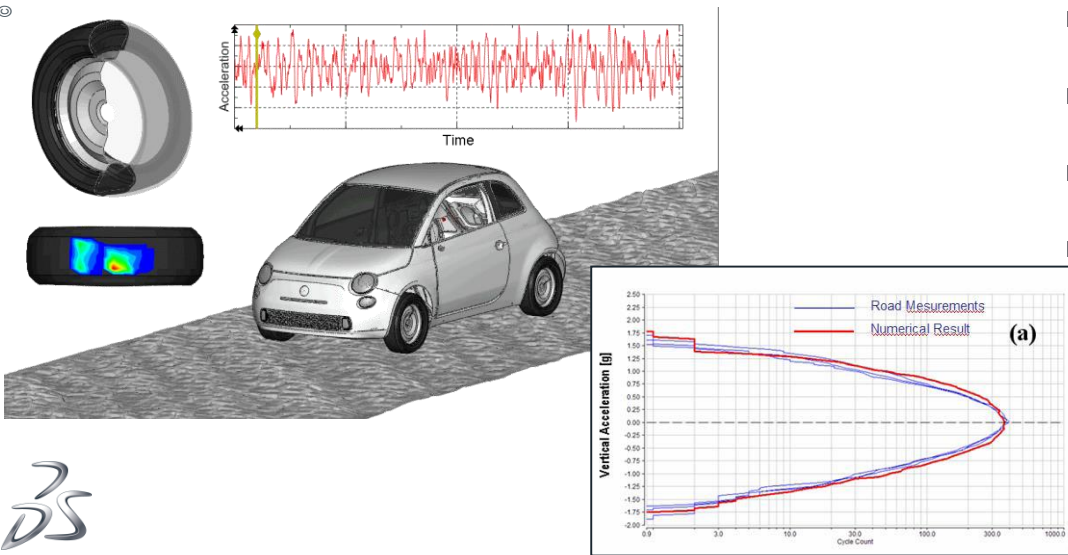
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*Abstract: This work describes a numerical methodology based on the Finite Element approach able to simulate the dynamic maneuver of the full vehicle running on fatigue reference roads. The basic idea of present work stays in combining a moderately complex and general tire model with traditional full-vehicle methods, including both implicit and explicit finite element techniques, in order to predict – within the early design phases when no prototypes are available – the loads transmitted to the vehicle running on the real fatigue reference roads. Some simulated data...*

Leveraging several Abaqus features simultaneously

- Standard-Explicit co-simulation
- Nonlinearities: contact, material,...
- Substructures, connectors
- Tire modeling

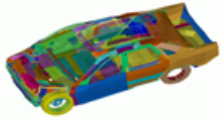
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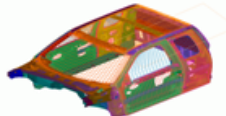
## Automotive application examples



Frontal impact model

Reference	Baseline	Optimum	Improvement (%)
Weight (kg)	654	590	15.4
Char. Gap			47
HC			11.6
Increase (in)			2.4
Increase (mm)	2940	2990	1.9

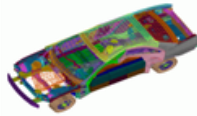
Weight ↓ 10.6 kg



Roof crush model

Reference	Baseline	Optimum	Improvement (%)
Weight (kg)	405.8	403.3	3.2
Displacement (mm)	7069	7234	2.2

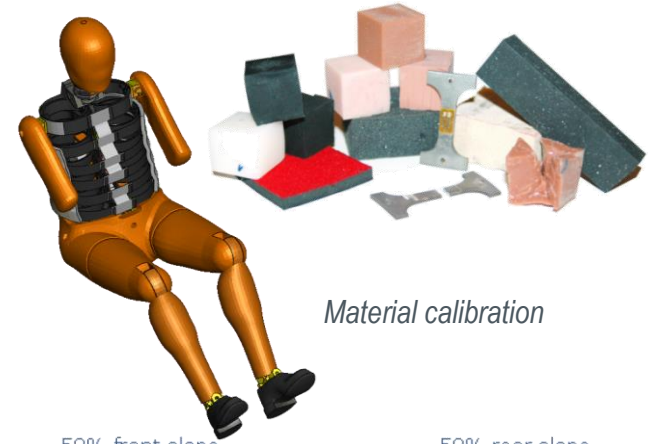
Weight ↓ 13.3 kg



Side impact model

Performance	Baseline		Optimum	
	Design	Rating Score	Design	Rating Score
Weight (kg)	23.15	—	23.10	—
Adhesion Force (kN)	0.46	4	0.46	4
Class 1 Failure Probability (P-F) (ppm)	14.0	1.6	11.1	0.15
Failure Mechanism Weight (kN)	0.07	0.08	0.12	0.04
ROI	—	4	4	—
Total Score	—	14.2	—	19.2

Weight ↓ 5.6 kg  
Safety rating score ↑ 1 point



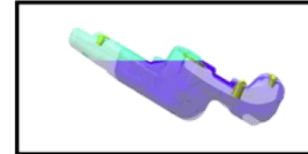
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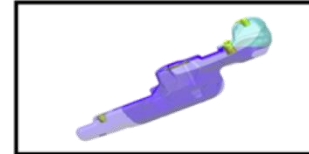
Weight reduction & Robust design



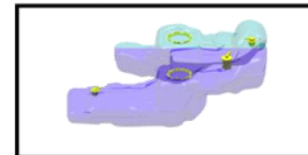
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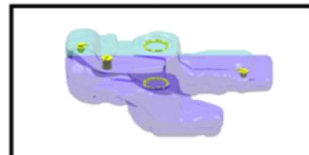
50% rear slope



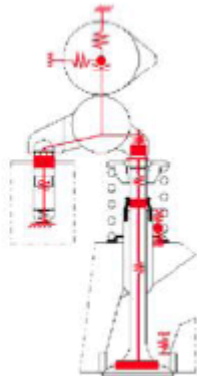
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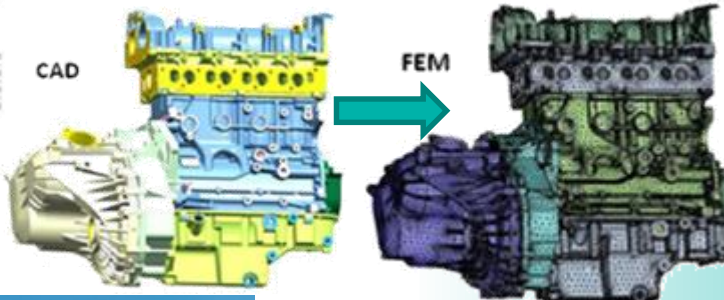
50% left slope



Optimization of position and number of valves in fuel tank venting process



Valve profile optimization



Cost savings from 5 days to 3 hours

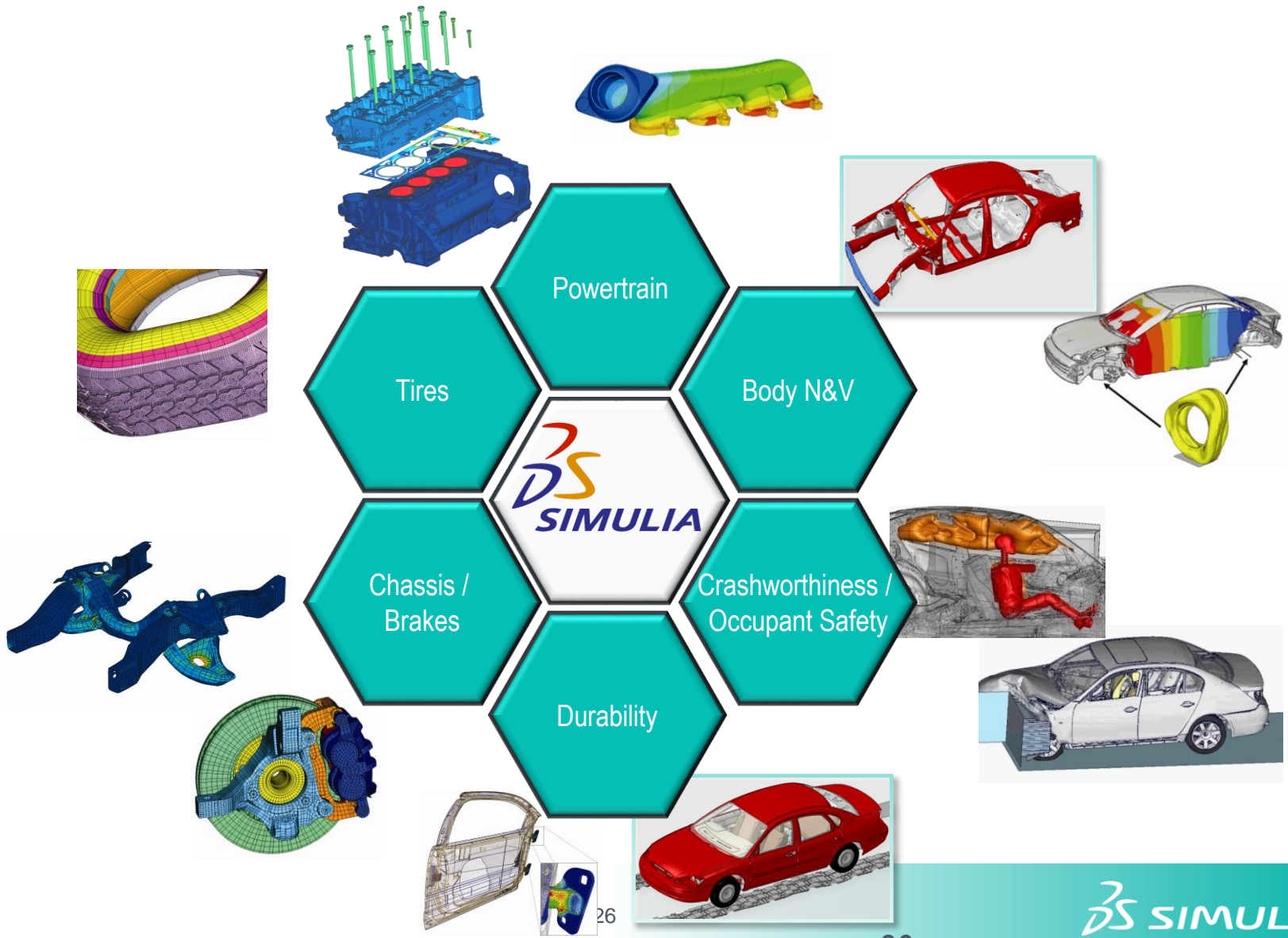


Process automation: FE mesh generation



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# Key Automotive Simulation Solutions



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# Key SIMULIA Solution Strengths

## Technology

- Broadest structural offering for the Automotive market
  - Powerful features for all automotive structural applications
- Competitive and leading technologies across broad automotive categories
  - Powertrain
  - Tires
  - Noise & Vibration
  - Durability
  - Crashworthiness / Occupant Safety

## Industry-leading customer support

- Local personnel
- Deep knowledge of automotive processes

# Leveraging Realistic Simulation as an Integral Business Practice

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**Proven Technology Available**
  - Robust Realistic Simulation solutions
  - Process Automation and Design Optimization
  - Design-integrated Realistic Simulation
  - Simulation Lifecycle Management
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**Simulation experts needed to champion and guide transformation**
  - Deep understanding of simulation technology and methods
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**Visionary managers needed to drive process improvements and culture change**
  - Document, capture, and deploy best practices

Recognized	CAD Integration Optimization	Simulation Management	
Evolving	Advanced Materials	Multiphysics	
Emerging			
	Incremental	Significant	Transformational

**Impact on Design Success**



# Realistic Simulation Delivers Real Business Value

- Deeper Understanding of Product Behavior
- Better products
  - ...reduced physical testing
  - ...faster to market
  - ...lower costs
- Improved competitiveness and profitability







Your Partner to Make...

Realistic Simulation

an

*integral*

business practice...



*Thank You!*

