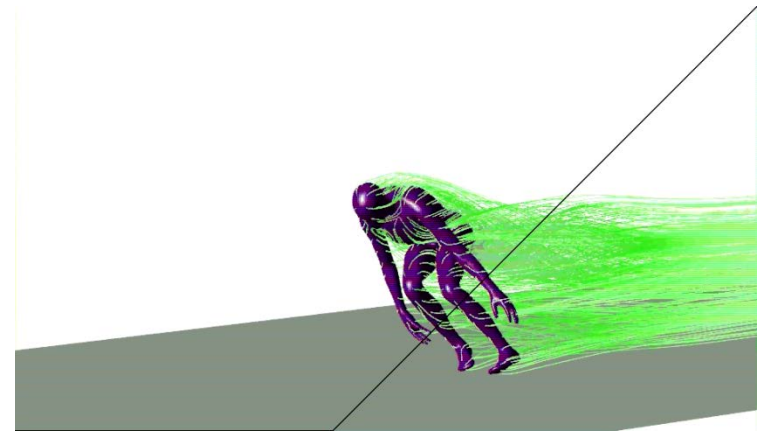


Simulating Strongly Coupled Fluid-Structure Interactions using Abaqus and FlowVision



FlowVision



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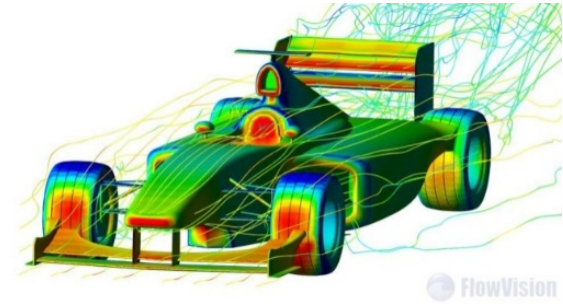
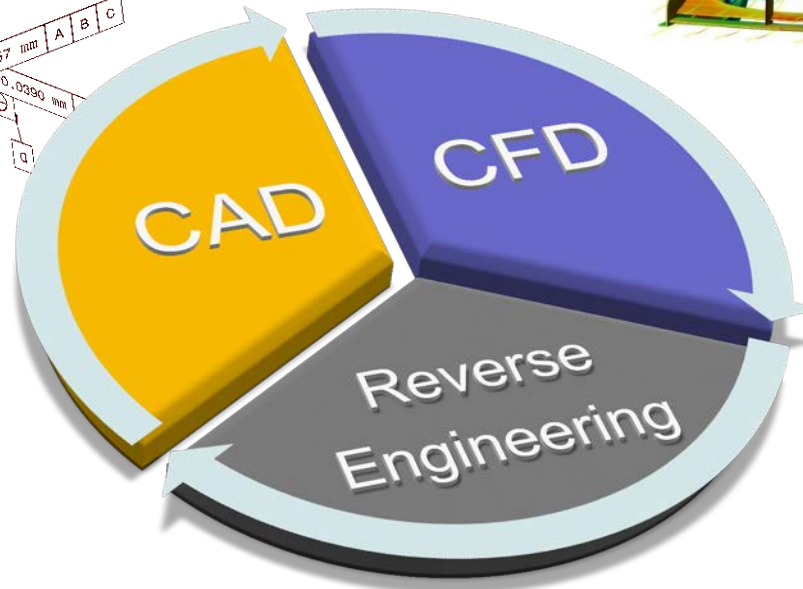
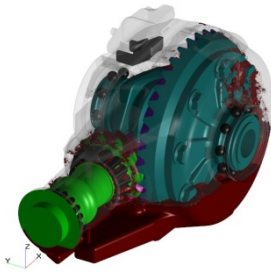
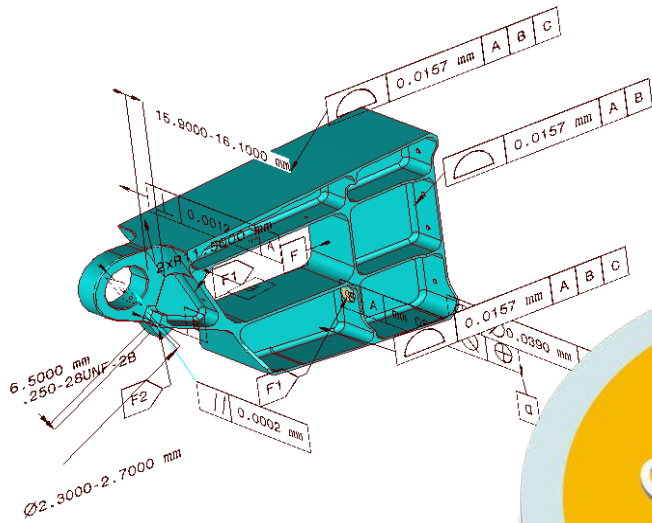
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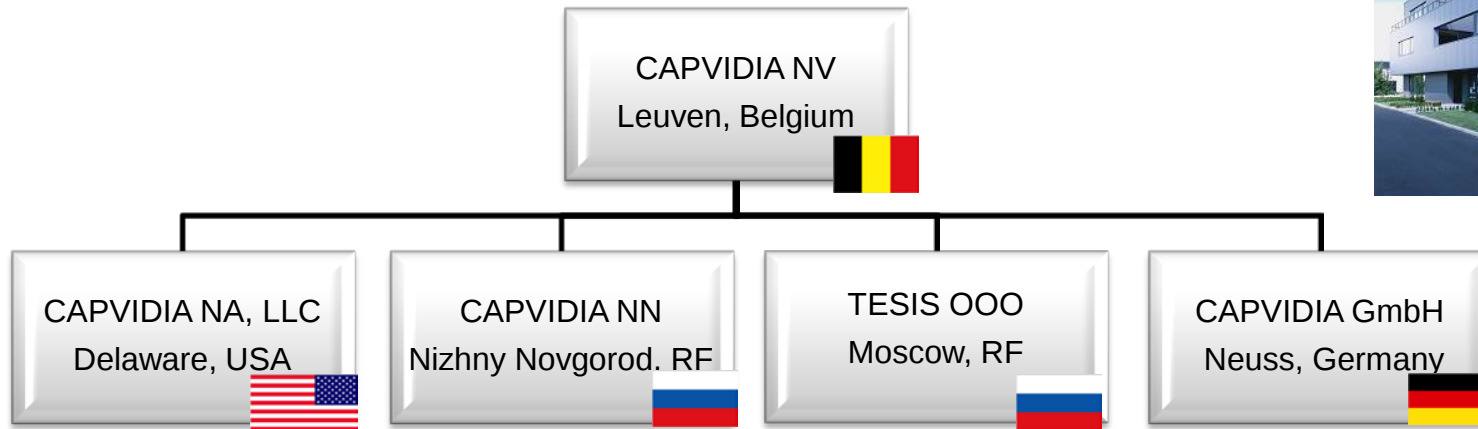
Company



Capvidia provides software solutions for 3D CAD/CAM/CMM data interoperability and CFD simulation to simplify processes, increase quality and reduce costs



The Capvidia Group



- **Established in 1994**
- **Annual turnover 8.5 million USD**
- **+80 employees**
- **Privately owned**
- **International operation: Europe, USA, China, Korea, India, Japan**



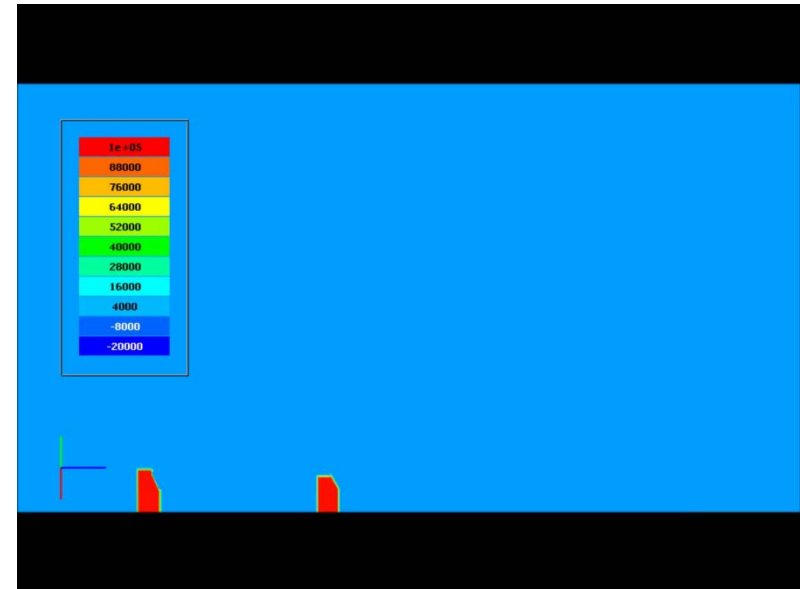
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FlowVision: main features

- Fully Automatic Mesh Generator with Dynamic Adaptation
- Steady and Transient State Flow
- Moving Rigid and Deformable Bodies
- VOF and Free Surface Tracking
- Conjugated Heat Transfer
- Mass Transfer
- Turbulence Modeling
- Fluid Structure Interaction
- Flow Through Porous Media
- Non-Newtonian Fluids
- High Scalability HPC

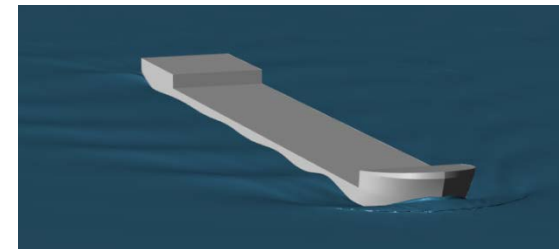
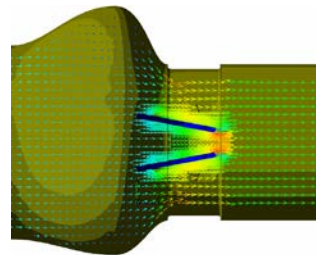
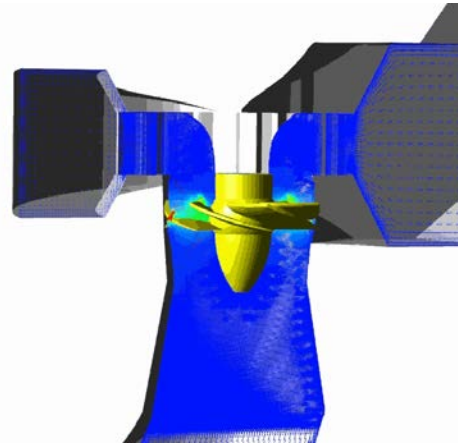
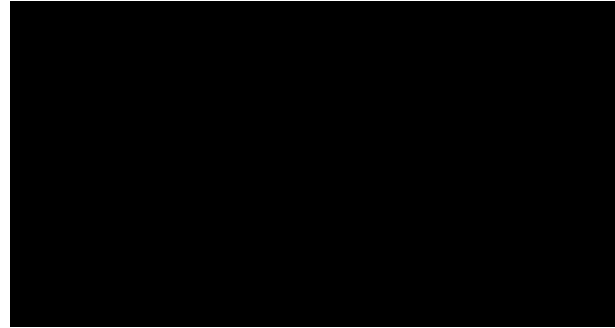


Spacecraft Automatic Rescue System (ARS)



FlowVision: application areas

- Aerospace
- Automotive
- Shipbuilding
- HVAC
- Defense
- Microelectronics
- Nuclear energetics
- Power generation
- Consumer goods
- Turbomachinery
- Life science
- Sport
- Medicine

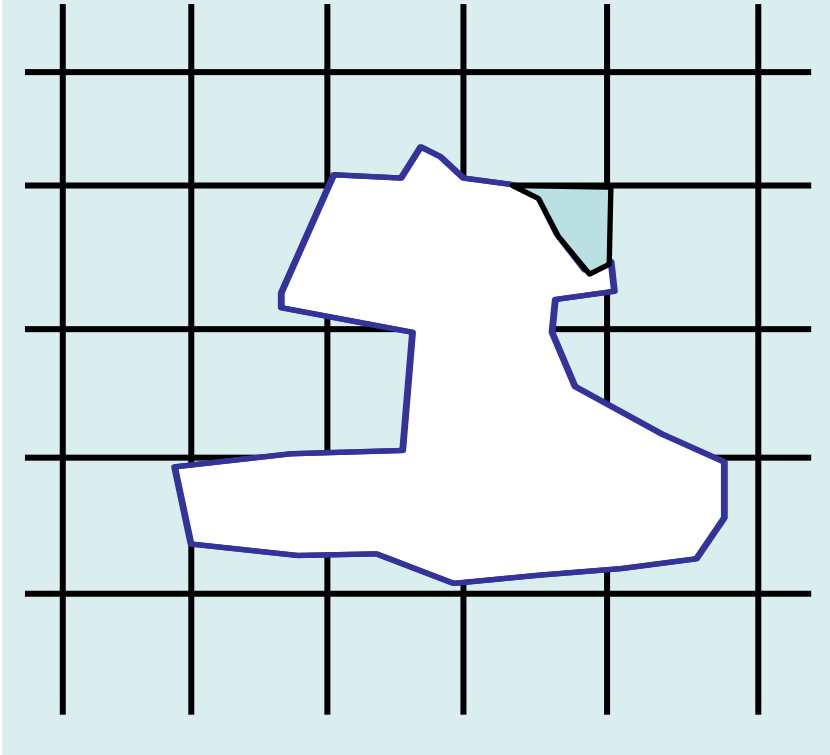


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Meshing: SubGrid Geometry Resolution (SGGR)

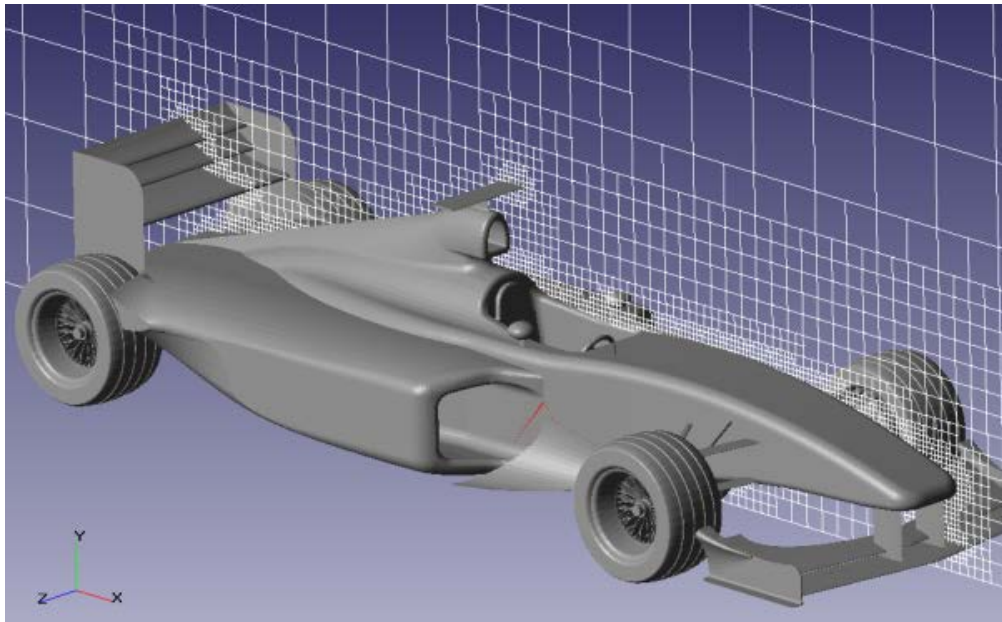


- Rectangular initial mesh
- Shape imported as facet B-rep (STL, WRL)
- Boolean subtraction of object volume from initial mesh
- Cell is arbitrary polyhedron

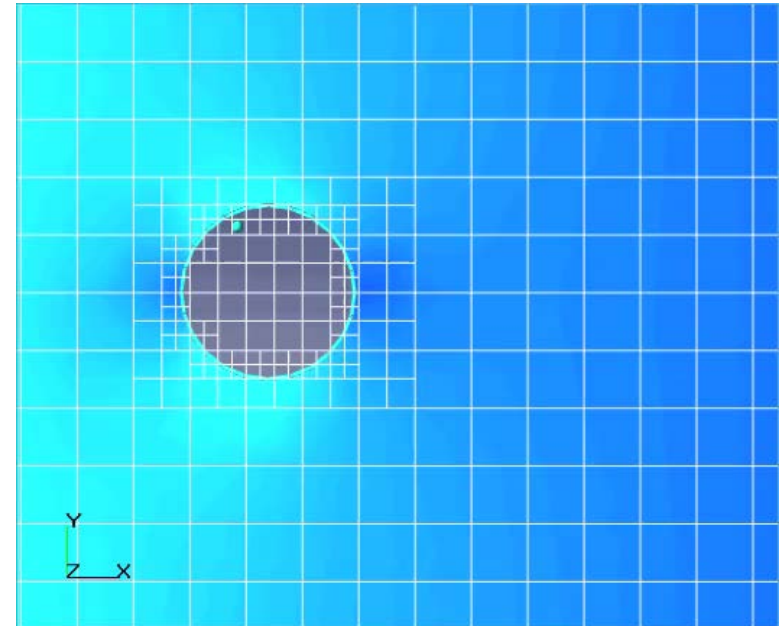
Finite-volume approach is used to approximate equations on this mesh

Meshing: Mesh Adaptation

- to raise simulation accuracy by resolving high gradients of flow variables
- to save computer resources using fine meshes in places where they are need

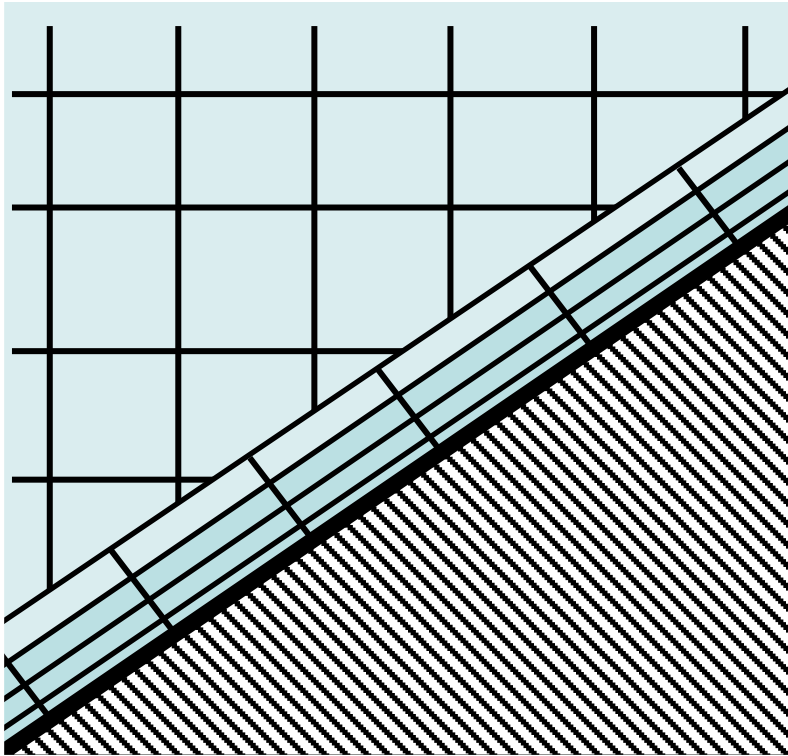


Dynamic adaptation near surfaces

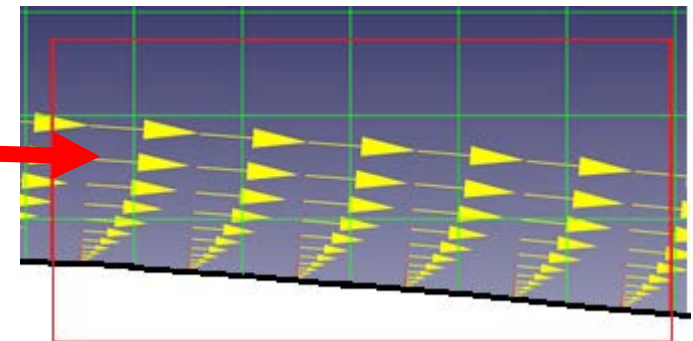
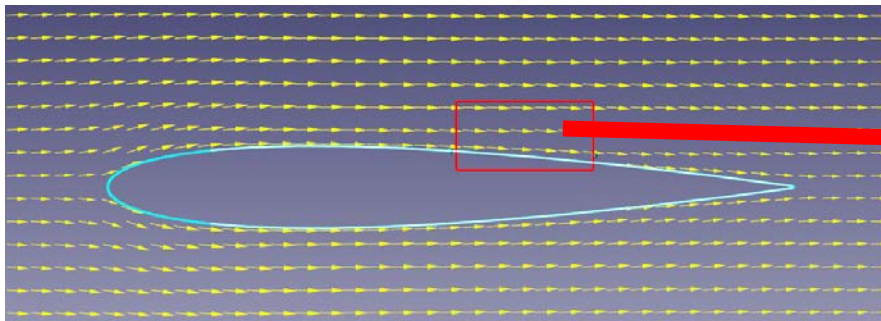


Dynamic adaptation due to a velocity gradient

Meshing: Resolving boundary layers



- For RANS simulation is very important to resolve boundary layer leaving outside mesh rough
- Prismatic mesh for resolving boundary layer generated between body surface and main mesh



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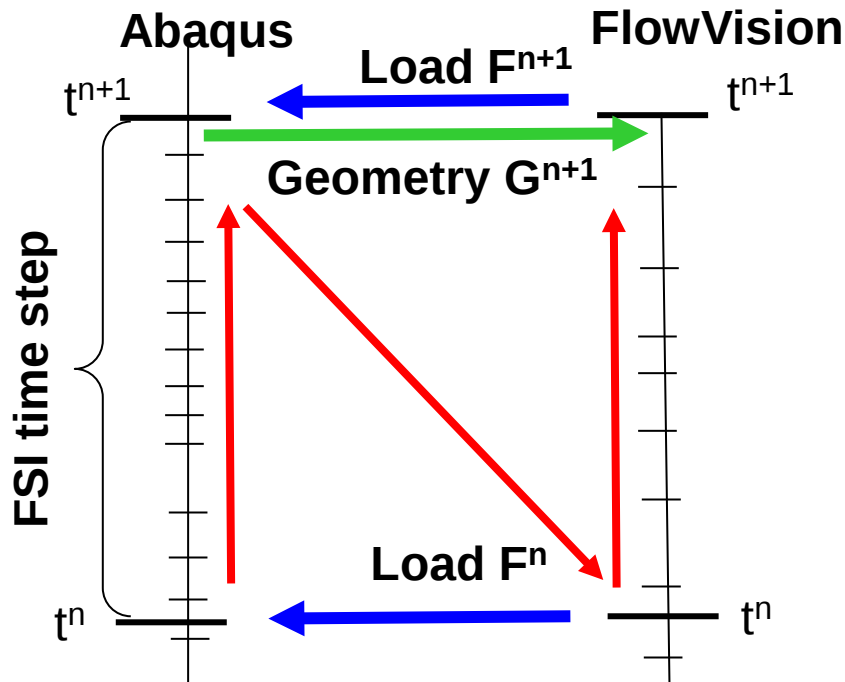
Co-simulation

Abaqus and FlowVision

	Explicit Coupling	Implicit Coupling
+	Fast	Stable even for large time steps
-	Limited stability (use small time steps or artificial stabilization methods)	Slow
Implementation Method	DCI (Direct Coupling Interface)	-
	CSE (Co-Simulation Engine)	CSE (Co-Simulation Engine)



Explicit coupling FlowVision-Abaqus



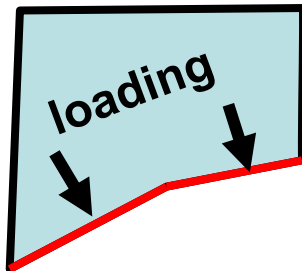
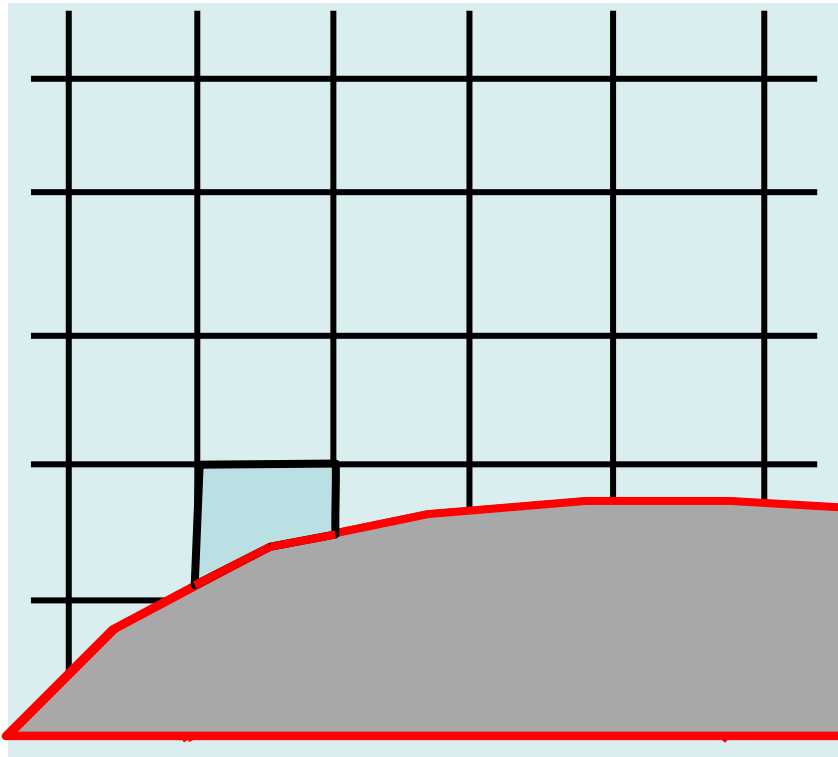
- FlowVision and Abaqus exchange simulation results at some time moments
- FSI time step could be bigger than both Abaqus and FlowVision time increments
- Abaqus makes FSI step first with load F^n and generates geometry G^{n+1}
- FlowVision applying linear changes G^n to G^{n+1} to finish FSI step with new geometry

Implicit coupling FlowVision-Abaqus

	Sequential Scheme	Parallel Scheme
+	Robust, requires less iterations for convergence	Codes don't wait for each other
-	Codes wait each other	Requires more iterations for convergence

Matching FE with CFD:

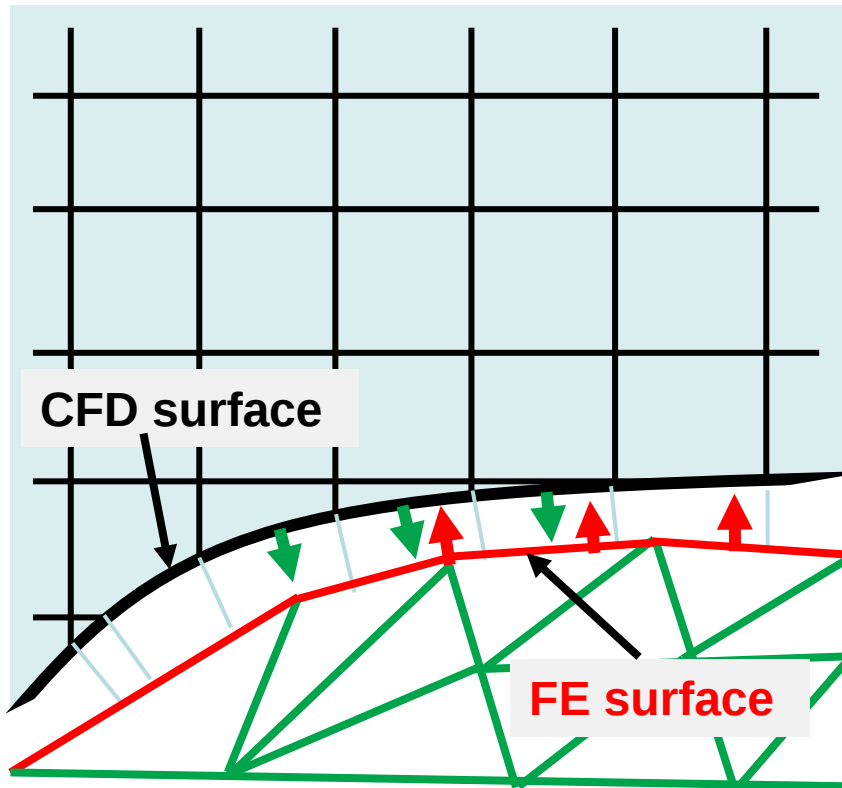
Method 1: Outside FE mesh forms CFD surface



- Importing FE mesh
- Mesh generation: Boolean subtraction of FE mesh volume from CFD mesh.
Outside FE mesh==CFD boundary
- Each cell contains a piece of FE mesh volume **outside border**
- Easy to calculate loads & to track the surface motion

Matching FE with CFD

Method 2: Outside FE surface $\neq$ CFD surface



- CFD (partner) surface not equals to FE surface
- CFD and FE surfaces are mapped using FlowVision mapper:
 - Conservative for forces and fluxes
 - Smooth for node speeds and structure temperature

→ Mapping forces and fluxes

→ Mapping node speeds/temperature

Matching FE and CFD mesh

	Method 1	Method 2
+	Direct interpolation of data from CFD to FEA and back	CFD surface and FE surface are independent – fine CFD surface could be used together with rough FE surface
-	Excessive, fine FE mesh is required (e.g. flutter, aeroelasticity)	Mapping between CFD and FE surfaces has unavoidable interpolation errors
Implementation	DCI/CSE	DCI/CSE



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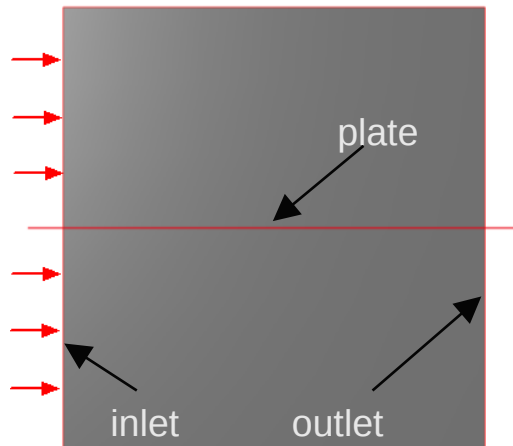
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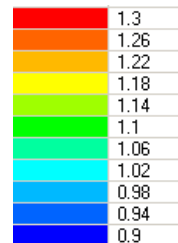
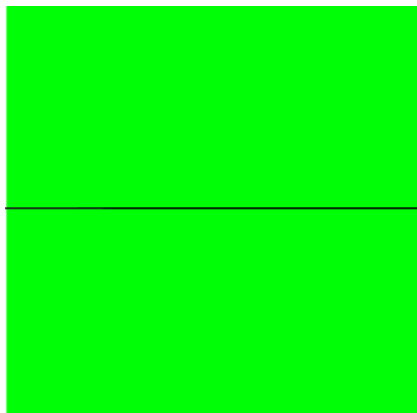
Supersonic flutter of flexible plate

Application: flutter of supersonic airplane surfaces at different Mach

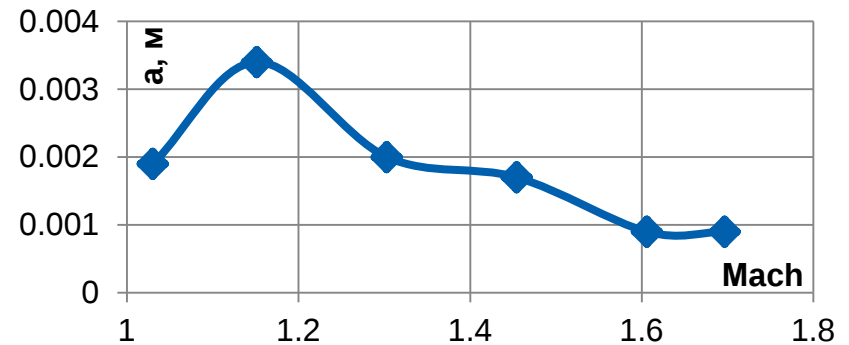
Goal: Understanding physics of this complex phenomena.



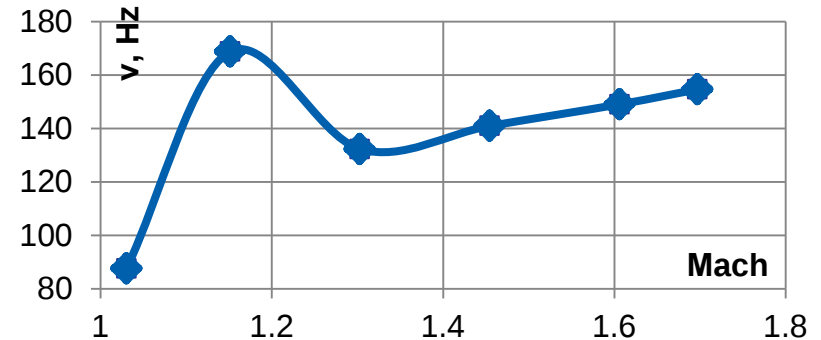
Mach number



Amplitude of center plate deviation



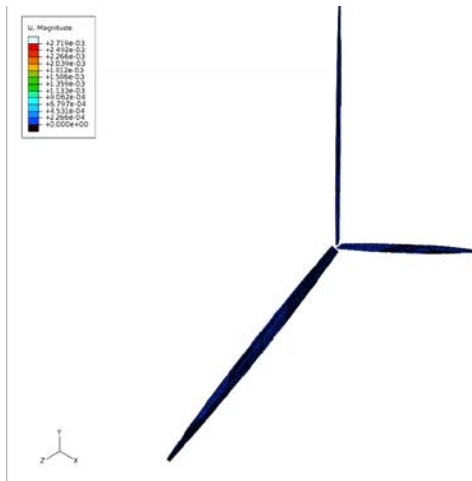
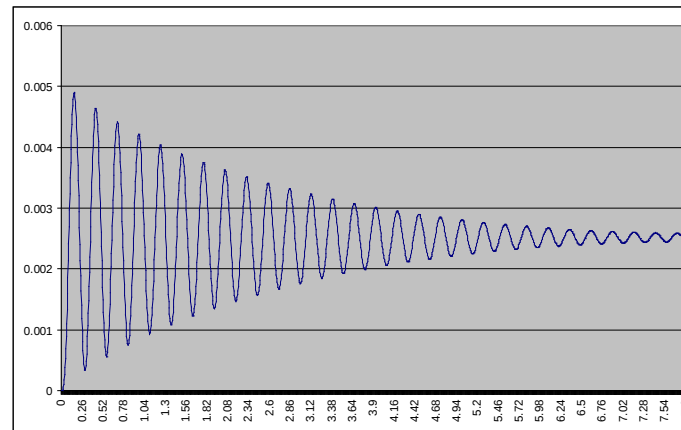
Flutter frequency



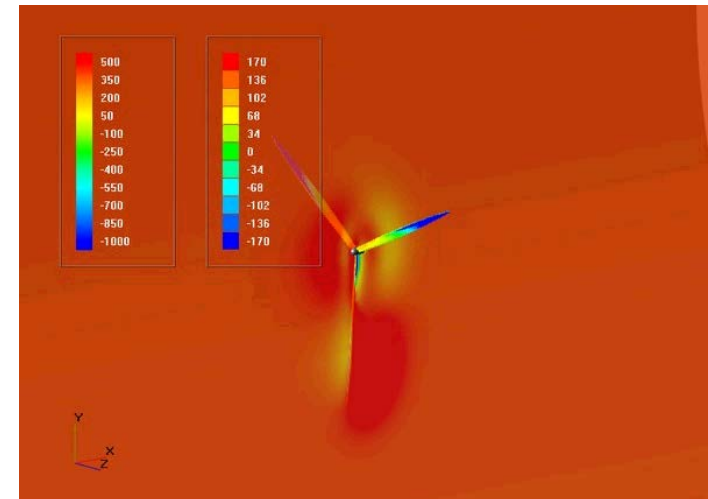
Wind turbine with flexible blades

Application: Wind turbine
Goal: Improvement wind turbine effectiveness with taking into account blade flexibility

x-direction displacement
of the turbine blade



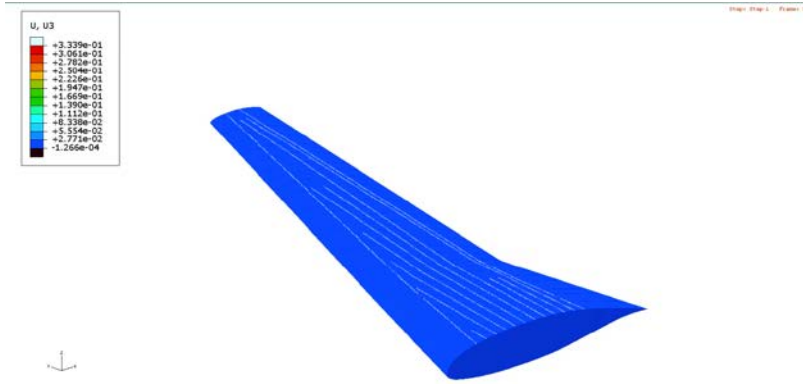
Steps: Step-1 Frames: 8



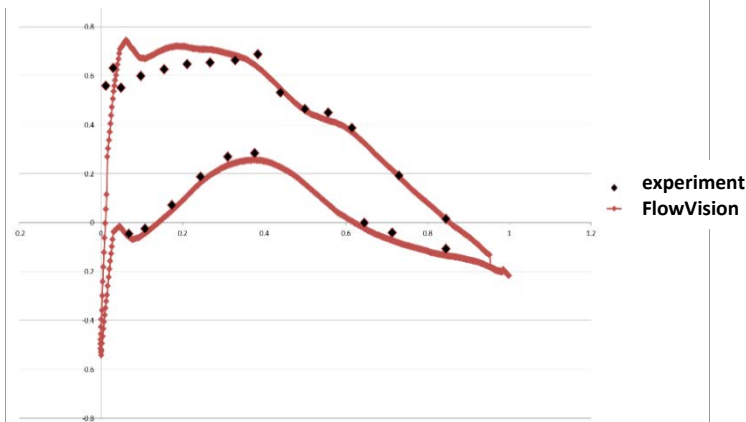
TESTING: Wing aeroelasticity and flutter

Dynamic equilibrium
HIRENASD experiment

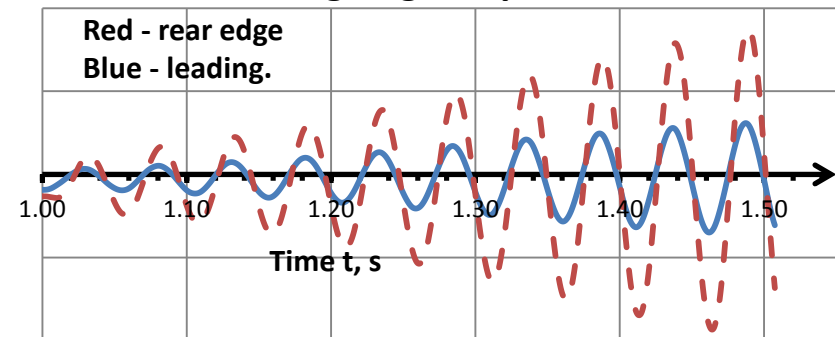
Wing flutter,
AGARD 445.6 benchmark



Pressure distribution in wing cross section:
comparison with experiment



wing edge displacement



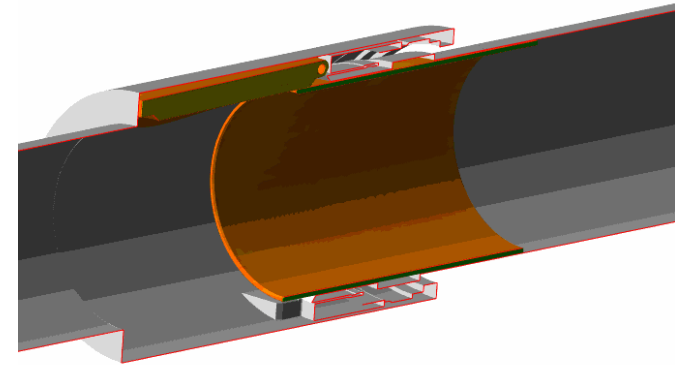
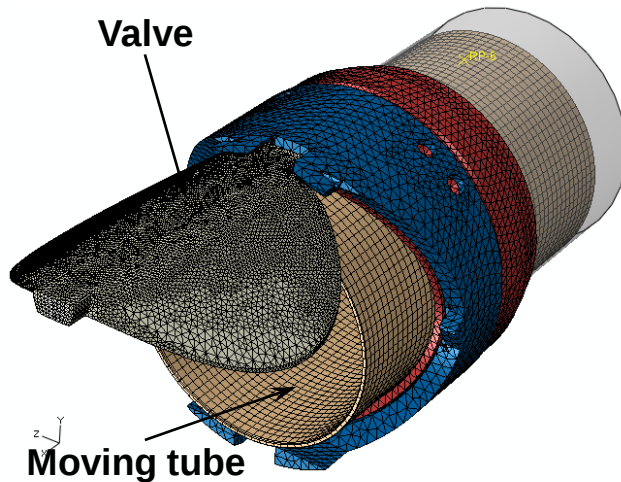
Mach	Experimental frequency, rad/s	Simulation frequency, rad/s	Accuracy %
0.499	128.1	123.65	3.5
0.678	113	115.5	2.21



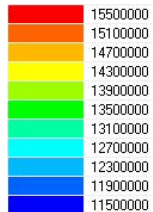
High-pressure valve closing

Application: Simulating high-pressure valve closing at gas pipe

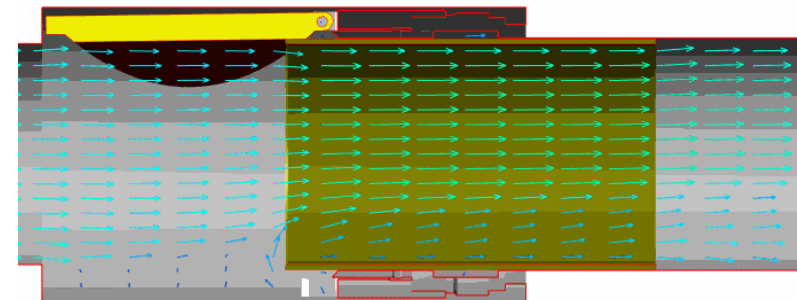
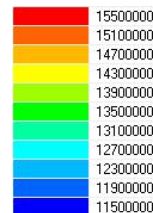
Goal: Define speed of valve closing and load on valve parts



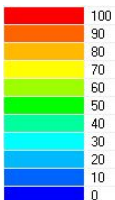
Pressure distribution over surfaces, Pa



Pressure distribution in central plane, Pa



Gas velocity, m/s

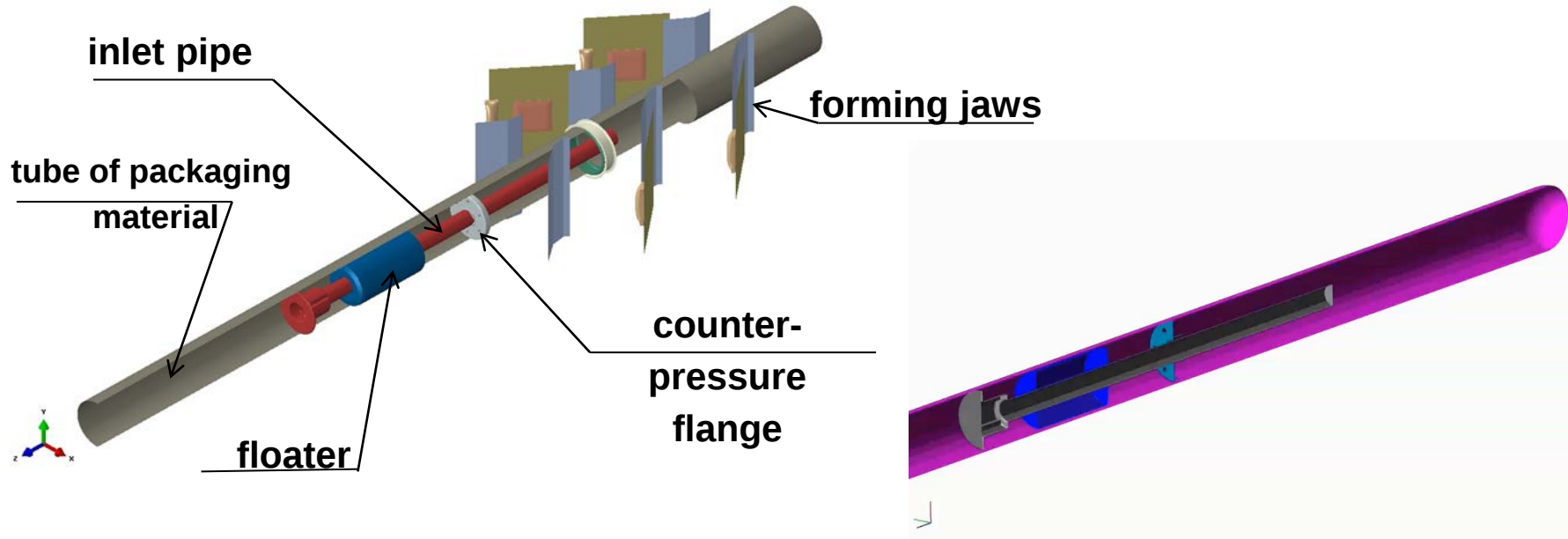


Numerical simulation of filling and forming TetraPak packages



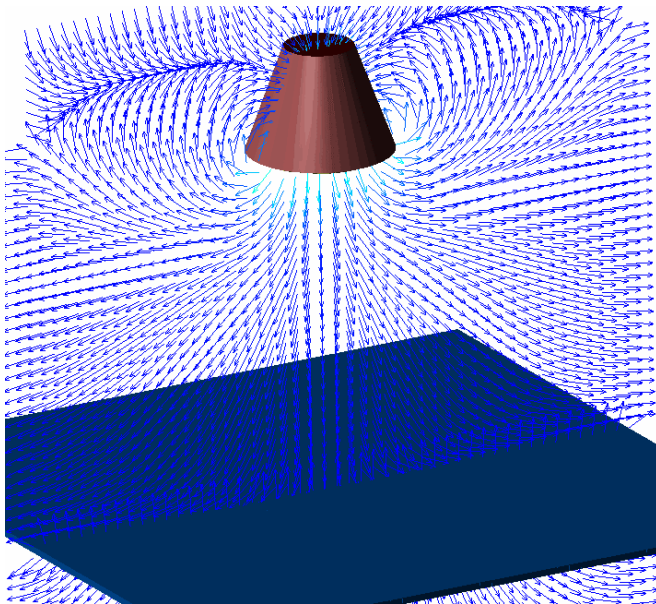
Complex FSI problem:

- Highly flexible packaging material
- Free surface (water and air)
- Floater moves in computational domain
- Liquid consumption depends on floater position

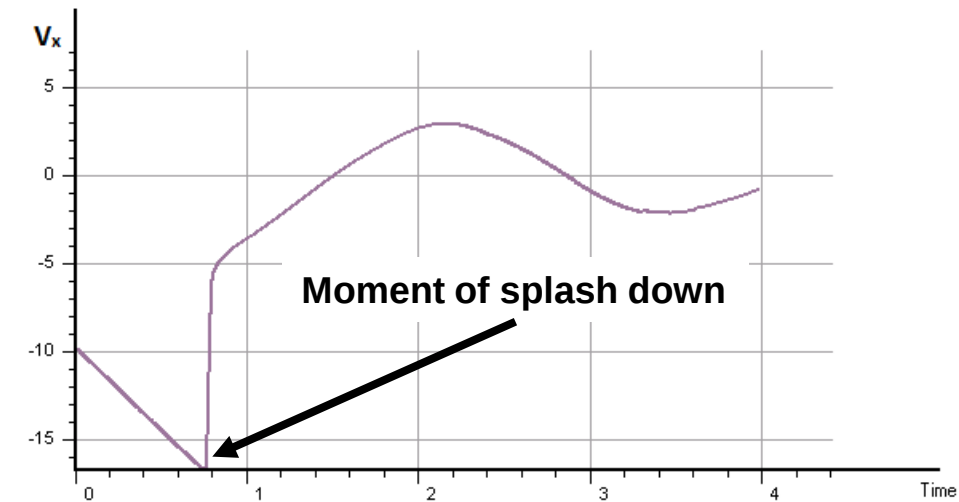


Spacecraft splash down

- Application:** Simulating perspective spacecraft during emergency splash down
- Goal:** Define forces and acceleration on spacecraft hull to prevent injuring crew and damaging the spacecraft.
- Features:** Influence air and water compressibility



Vertical speed of spacecraft



Conclusion

FlowVision-Abaqus coupling main benefits:

- **Easy-to-use**
- **Designed for realistic FSI simulations**
- **Solves most complex strong FSI problems**

Also, how to use FlowVision for simulating life-science problems (medicine, sport) you can find on CAPVIDIA exhibition desk.

