

Mid-Stage Validation as a Process Step in Simulation V&V

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Material testing for new product development

Material parameters for CAE,

material model validation





Store, analyze, compare any material data, create CAE material cards, master material files



Record & analyze any experimental and simulation data



Knowledge resource for CAE users related to materials in simulation



Mid-stage Validation

- Introduction to the concept
- Equipment and methods
- Case studies
 - 3D printed bike crank & extension to real life component
 - Ductile plastic
 - Rubber hyperelasticity
- Conclusions



Validation with actual prototype



Using mid-stage validation





Mid-stage validation features

- Standardized geometry
 - Geometry is complex, easily made, not like real-life part
- Complex load case
 - Mixed mode, accurately reproduced in simulation
- Material model
 - Correct model, actual material, environment, exposure
- Accuracy measures
 - Force-displacement &/or DIC



DIC Principle

- Speckle pattern is broken into facets (elements)
- Speckle pattern is tracked frame to frame
- Calibration of a volume is performed through measuring calibration panel in various orientations in the test space.
- Strains can be captured on the micro-strain level
- Strain field can be mapped over the actual part image





Case Study-1 3D printed bike crank

- Direct metal laser sintering
- Part features
 - No slip at fixed end
 - Rotation at load end
 - DIC for surface strain measurement
 - Tapered geometry to force failure in camera-viewable region





Material model

- EOS Aluminum AlSi10Mg
- Properties measured on 3D printed tensile bars
- Elastic-plastic material model
- Model fitted using Matereality
- Target solver = ANSYS





Linear analysis validation

- Quantitative and spatial match
 - Strain locations are correct
 - Strain levels are correct





Failure validation

- Crank failed at 1800N
- Force of 1800N applied using ANSYS
- ANSYS predicted force at
 - A = 446 MPa
 - B = 399 Mpa
- Fail strain of material = 400MPa





Real-life application

- Cessna bell crank
- Altair shape optimization
- DMLS laser printing
- EOS Aluminum AlSi10Mg





Prototype test







Comparing product test to simulation





Case Study-2 ductile plastic

- Part features
 - Injection molded plastic
 - Complex flow pattern
 - Plate with 2 large fins
- 3 point bend test with UTM
 - 1 mm/min nose displacement
- Stereo-camera DIC to capture 3D strain







Validation Abaqus v. DIC surface strain

- Same contour scales used for test and simulation plots
 - Apples to apples comparison
 - Remarkable correlation except at high strain





Validation

Force v. displacement comparison

Localized DIC strain comparison





Case Study-3 rubber hyperelasticity

- Part features
 - "standardized" compression test
 - Both faces slipping (closed loop case)
 - Top face fixed (open loop)
 - Top and bottom faces fixed (open loop)
- Simulate and compare to experiment
- Quantify simulation accuracy







Simulation complexities

- Choice of material model
 - Mooney-Rivlin
 - Ogden
- Contact
 - Fixed boundary has roll over which is addressed with the rough contact
 - The corner element and nearby mesh are distorted



Validation: simulation v. ANSYS







Conclusion

- Mid-stage validation is useful for confirming simulation accuracy prior to start of real-life applications
- Determine simulation accuracy
- Identify simulation limits
- Essential pre-step for design optimization and additive manufacturing
- Can be useful for all materials and processes