
MpCCI – A general Solution for Multidisciplinary Code Coupling



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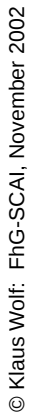
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 - MpCCI - System and Environment (Portings, Tools, ...)
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Fraunhofer Society

- Founded in 1949, non-profit organization
- Focus on application-oriented basic and industrial research
- 56 Research Institutes throughout Germany
- Staff of approximately 11000 people, majority of qualified scientists and engineers
- Annual research volume around 900 Million EURO

Joseph von Fraunhofer (1787 - 1826)



Researcher
discovery of “Fraunhofer Lines”
in the sun’s spectrum

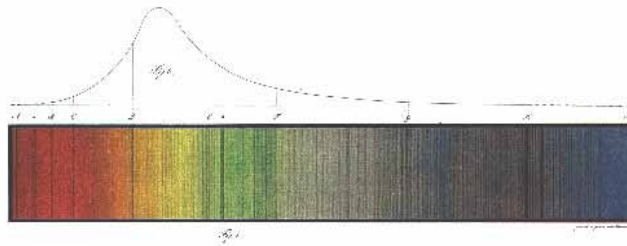
discovery of “Fraunhofer Lines”
in the sun’s spectrum

Inventor
new methods of lens processing

new methods of lens processing

Entrepreneur
head of royal glass factory

head of royal glass factory



Fraunhofer Society – Groups and Consortia of Institutes

Pooling expertise and services in...

- Information and Communication Technology (ICT Group)
15 Institutes, Staff of around 2000, Budget volume 160 Million US\$
- Life Sciences
- Microelectronics
- Surface Technology and Photonics
- Production
- Materials and Components
- Polymer

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Innovative SW Technology for Fast Simulation

Technologies and Competence

Staff: ~ 100 People

Master and Ph.D. students: 25

Budget: 6 Million € institutional
4 Million € third party

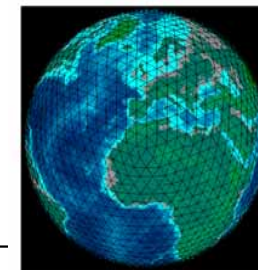
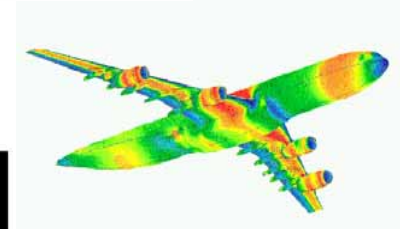
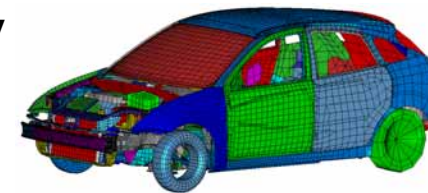
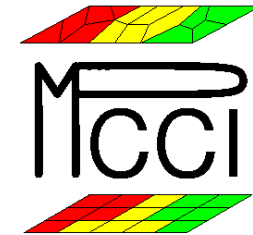
		Numerical Solvers		
	Computational Fluid Dynamics	Multi-disciplinary Simulation	Bioinformatics	Protein Alignment
	Computational Meteorology	Parallel Computing	Chemo Informatics	Molecular Docking
Crash Simulation	Computational Structural Mechanics	Data Mining	Discrete Optimization	Cutting and Packing
		Virtual Reality Visualization		

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Simulation Engineering

Target Areas

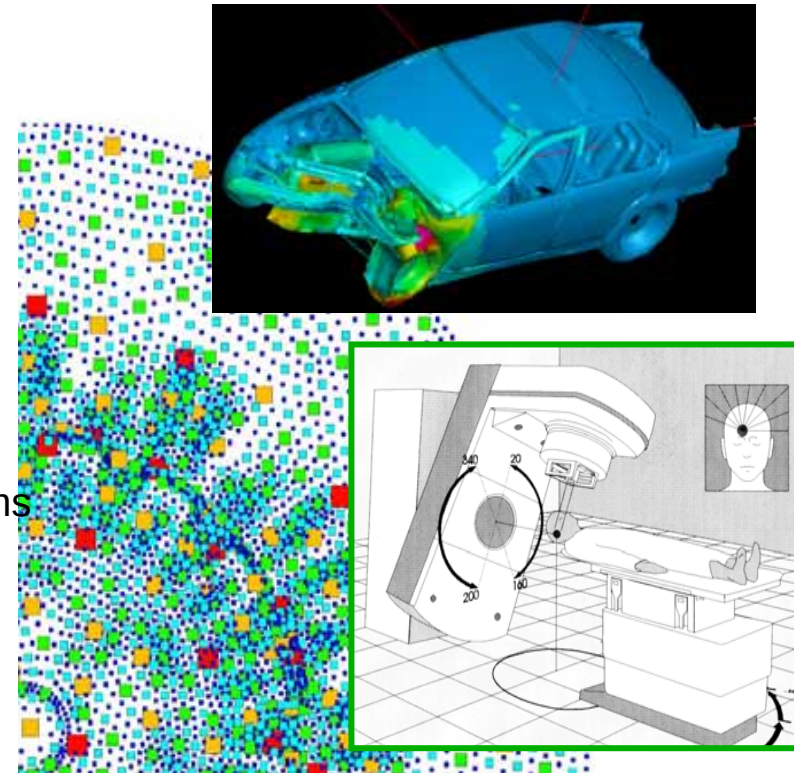
- **MpCCI – coupling interface, algorithms and library**
- **CAE data integration**
- **Multidisciplinary simulation and mapping**
- **Grid Computing**
- Computational fluid dynamics
- Numerical methods in meteorology and climate research



Simulation Methods

Target Areas

- Fast solvers (e.g. Algebraic Multigrid)
- Parallel computing (e.g. load balancing)
- **Parametric optimization**
- **Stability analysis of crash simulations**
- **Data mining in engineering applications**
- Compiler technology for data parallel systems

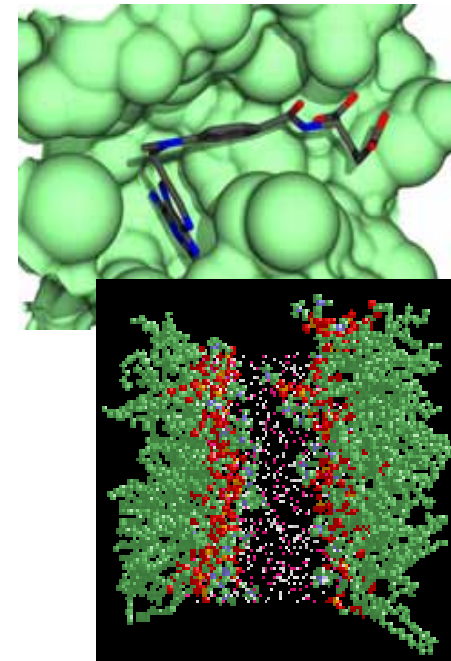


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Bioinformatics

Target Areas

- Bioinformatics
- Database-Management for BioInformatic
- Workflows for Bio



WebServices

Target Areas

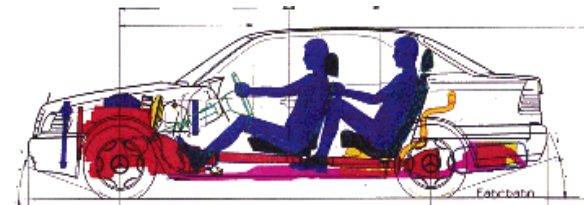
- Scheduling
- Intelligent postprocessing
- VR and visualization tools



Optimization

Target Areas

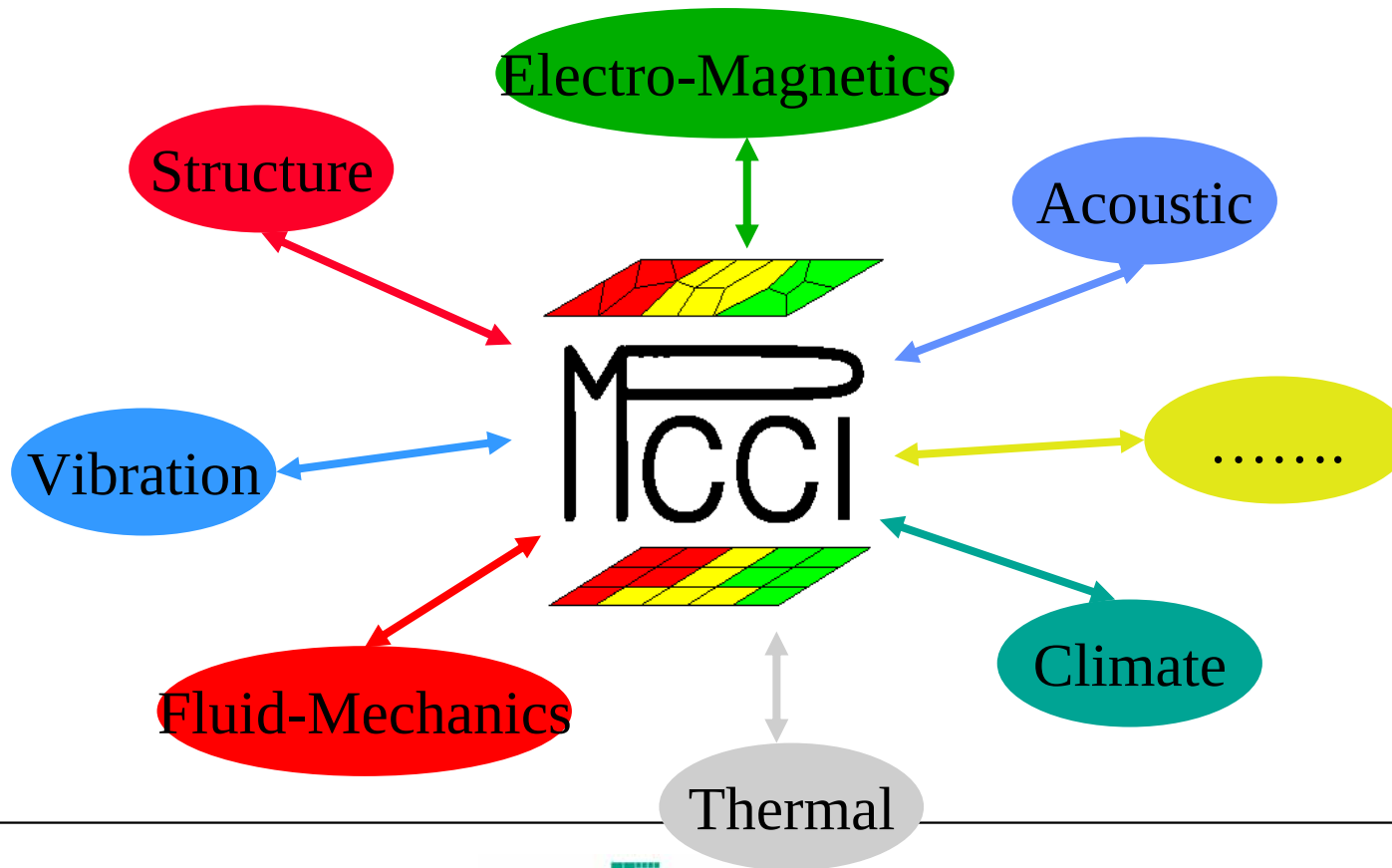
- Discrete optimization
- Cutting and packing problems



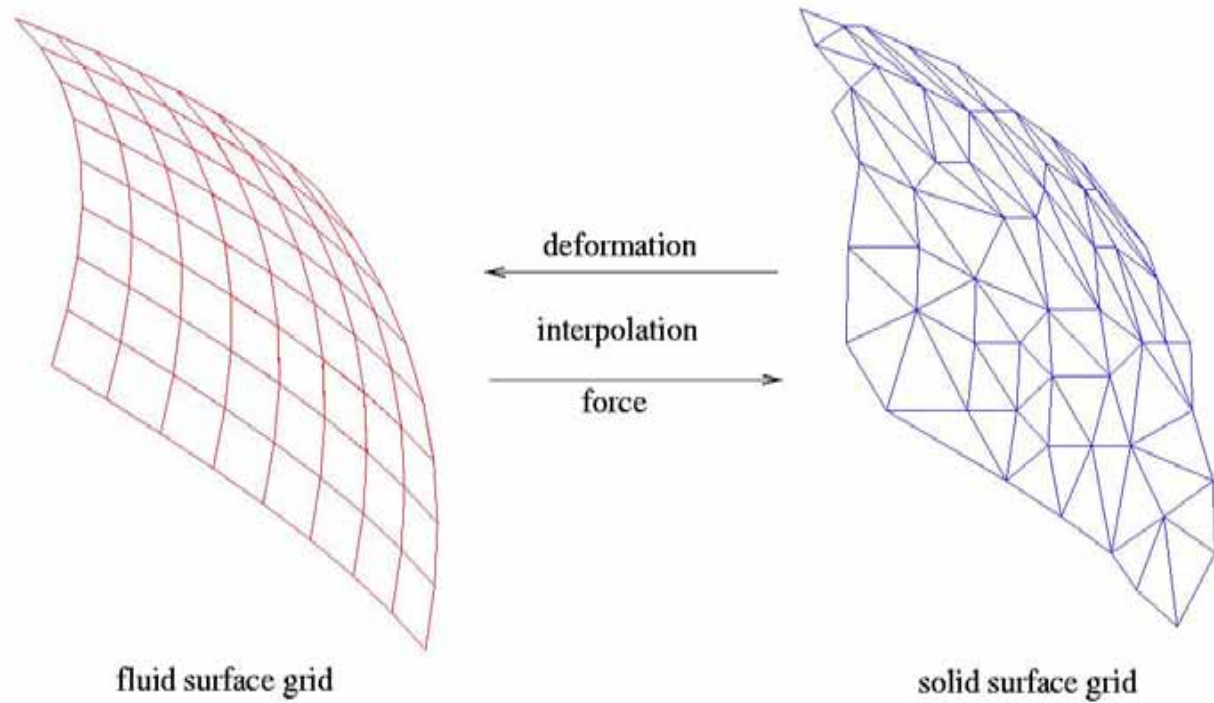
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Standard Interface for Coupling of Simulation Codes



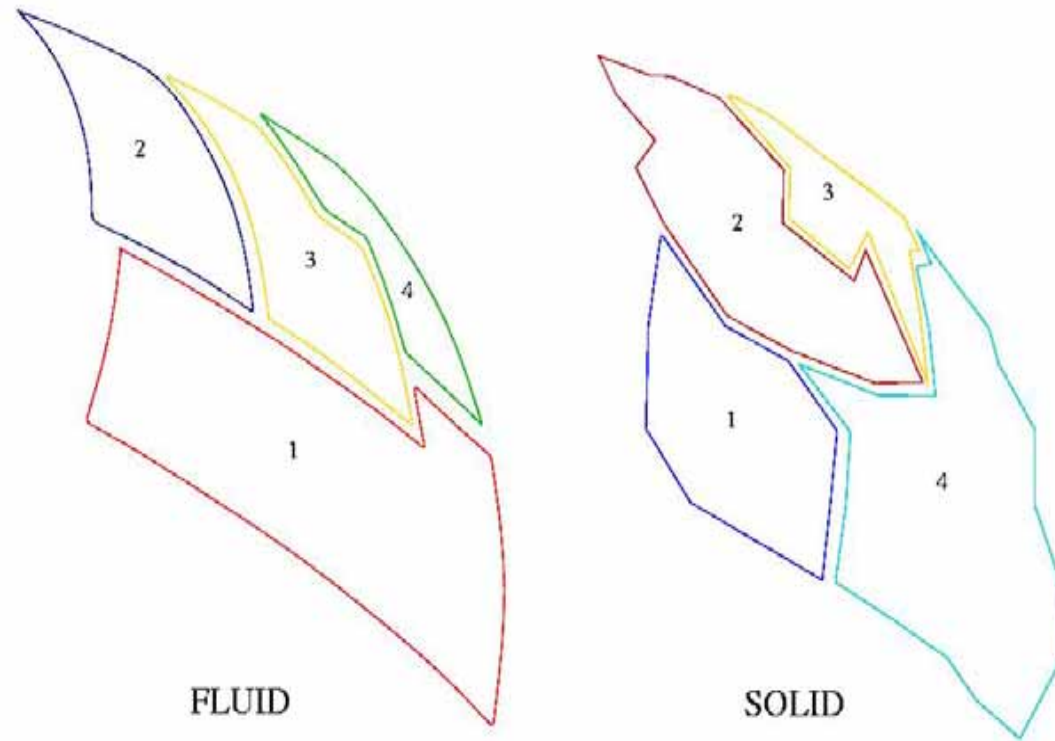
MpCCI Tasks



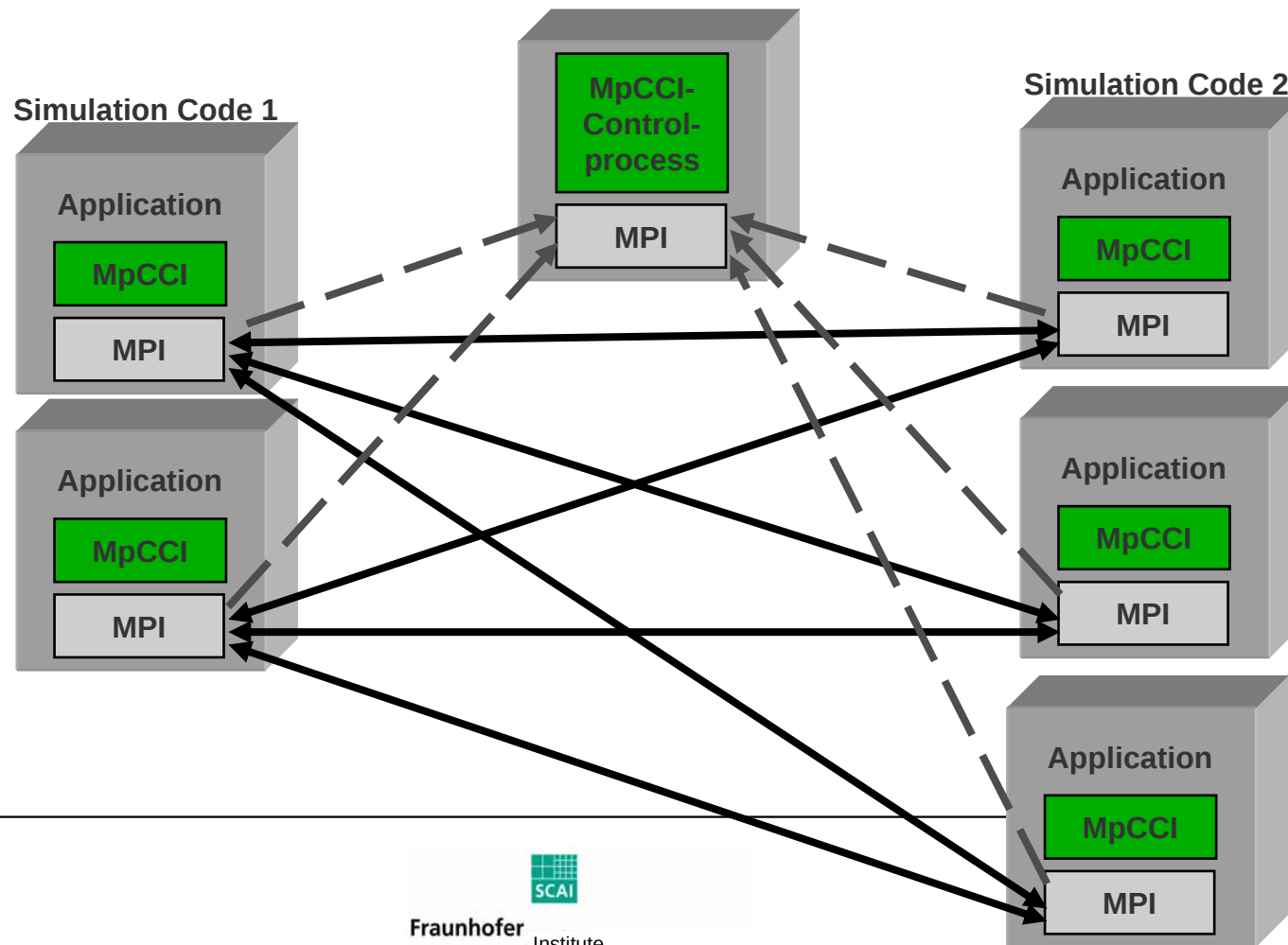
- Neighborhood search
- Interpolation
- Data transfer of coupling values

MpCCI Tasks

Coupling Regions
distributed over several
parallel processes



MpCCI Parallel Implementation



Technical Requirements

MpCCI is fully implemented in C++

Procedure Calls in C and Fortran (F77, F90)

Instalation Requirements :

- C++ runtime environment
- MPI

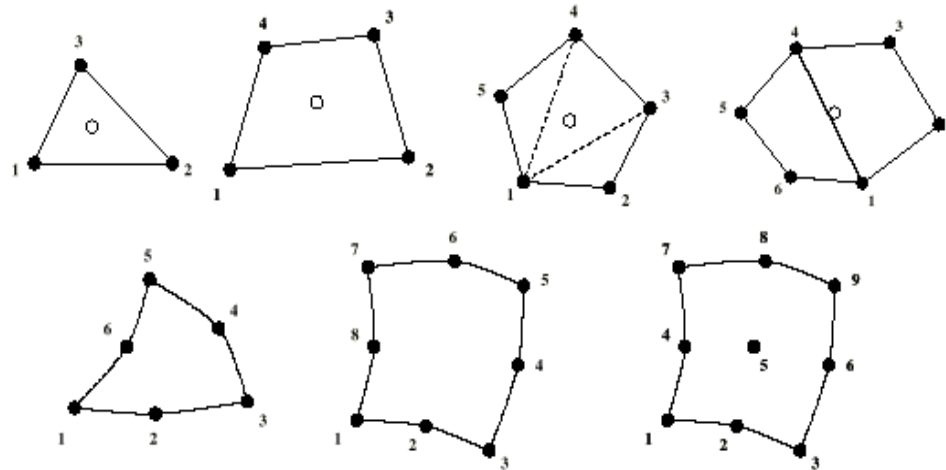
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MpCCI 1.3 / Interpolation Survey

MpCCI 1.3

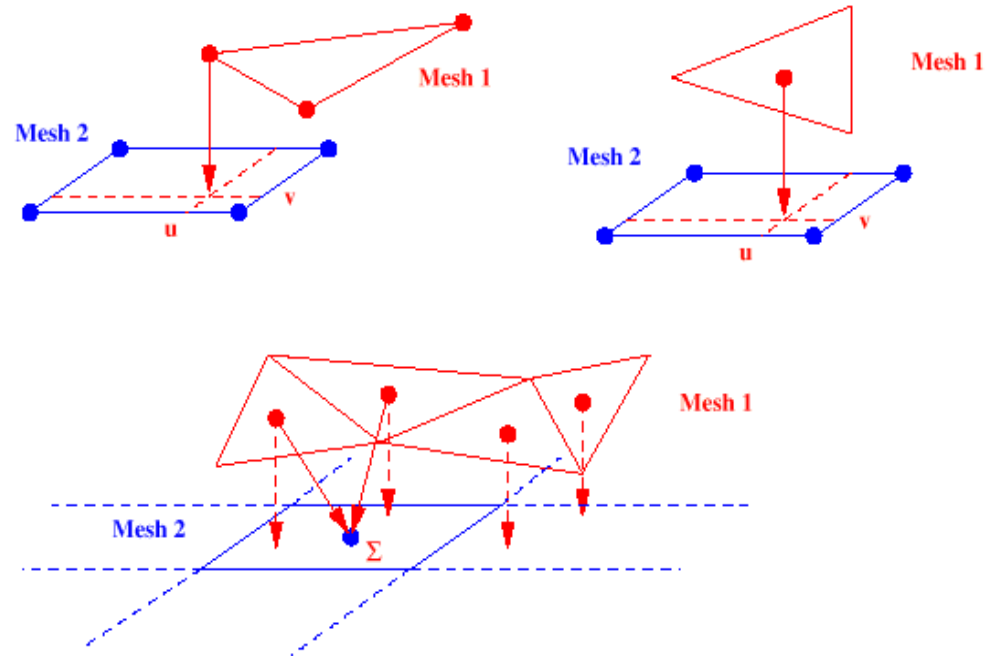
- Two dimensional coupling regions in the three dimensional space
- Element types with linear or quadratic interpolation



MpCCI 1.3 / Interpolation Survey

MpCCI 1.3

- Simple conservative mappings



MpCCI 2.0 / Intersection computations in 2D

The method

- is based on the determination of the area of the overlap region of the elements of two grids.

The reason

- for implementing a new method for the conservative data transfer from elements on elements is, that the present mapping
 - ★ is based on the position of the midpoint of an element of one grid w.r.t. the elements of another grid and
 - ★ does not depend on areas/volumes of the elements.

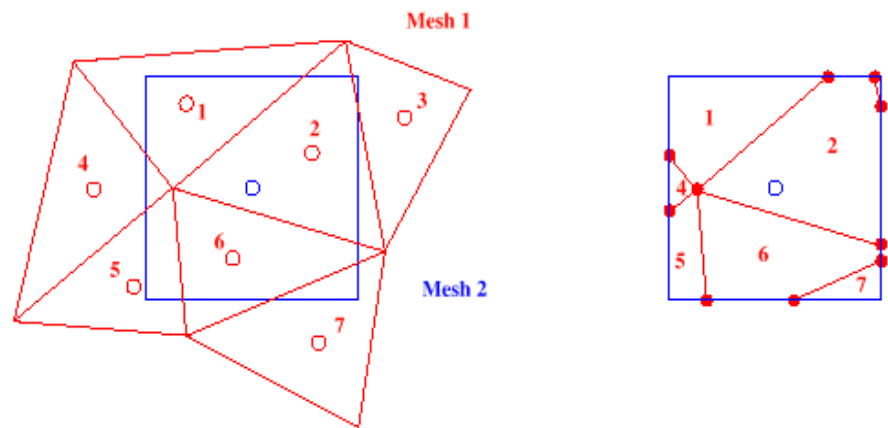
This may cause a lack of accuracy for the data transfer from a coarse to a fine grid.



MpCCI 2.0 / Intersection computations in 2D

The status

- is, that an intersection method for surface coupling is currently implemented.



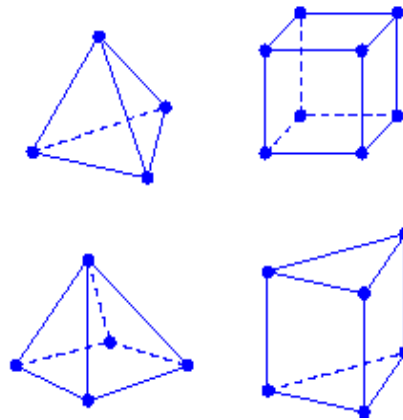
The aim

- is to offer intersection methods for all kind of coupling regions which are supported by MpCCI.

MpCCI 2.0 / Volume Interpolation

Volume elements

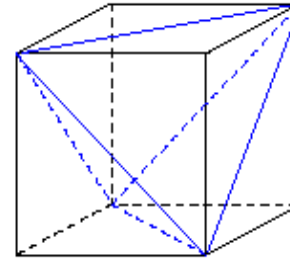
- Three dimensional coupling region
- Non-conservative interpolation: linear or lesser accuracy
- Simple mappings of conservative quantities
- Tetrahedron, hexahedron, prism and pyramid



MpCCI 2.0 / Volume Interpolation

The neighborhood computation

- is based on the decomposition of the elements into tetrahedrons.



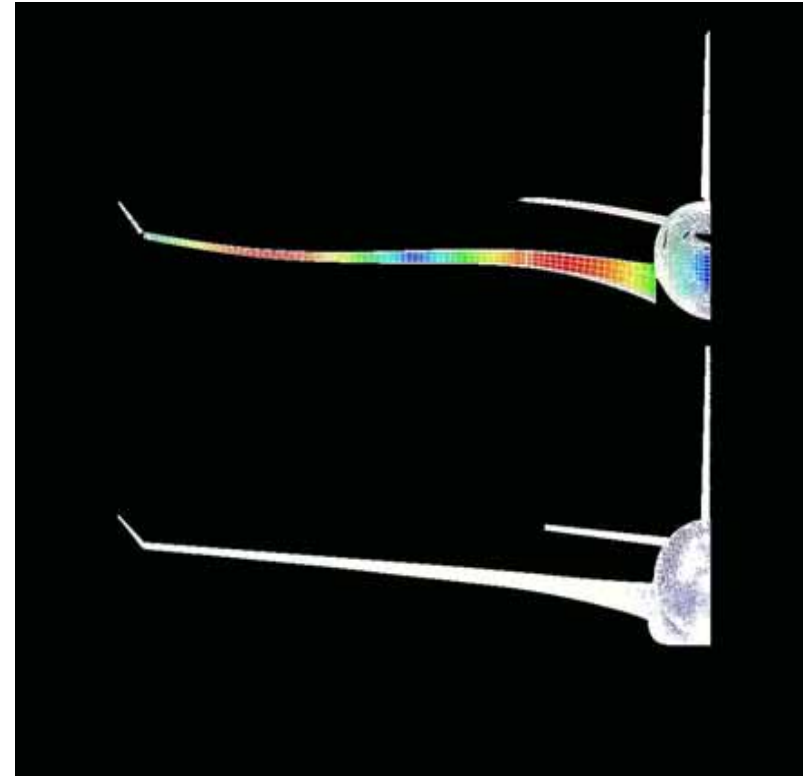
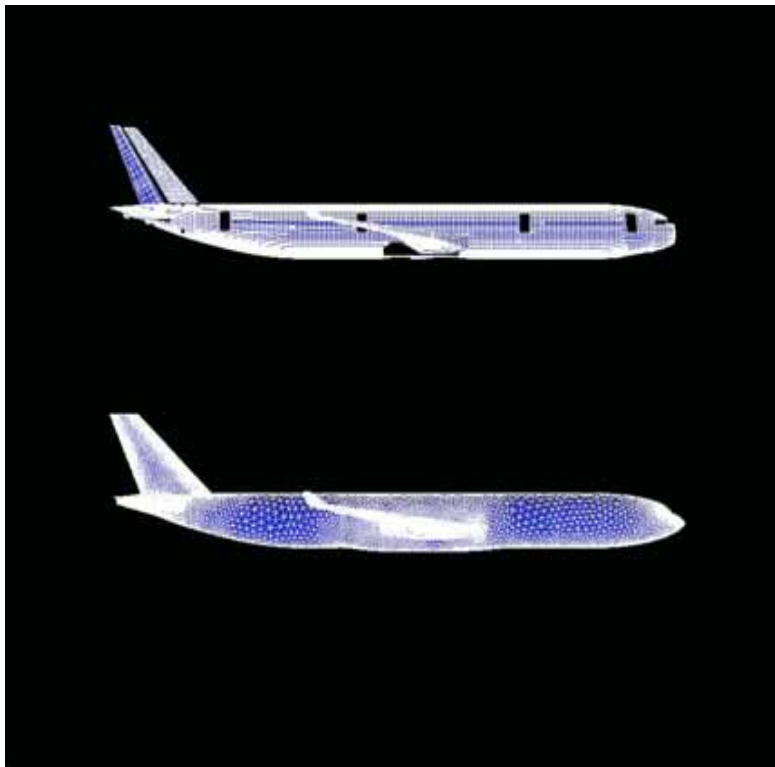
The reduction

- of the number of elements for the computation of the local coordinates is done with the help of a bucket search algorithm.

The matching criterion

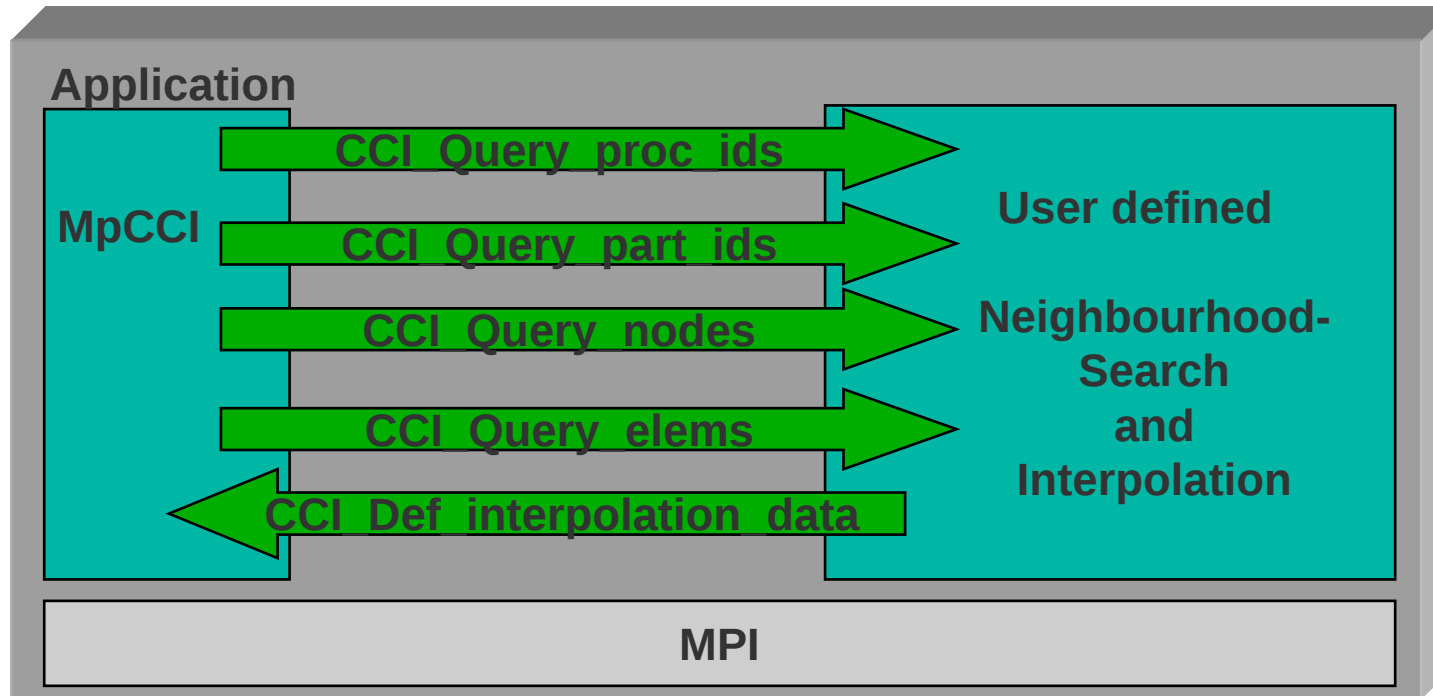
- for the neighborhood search is based on the local coordinates of the nodes of one mesh w.r.t. the other mesh.

MpCCI 2.0 / Customising for Aeroelastics

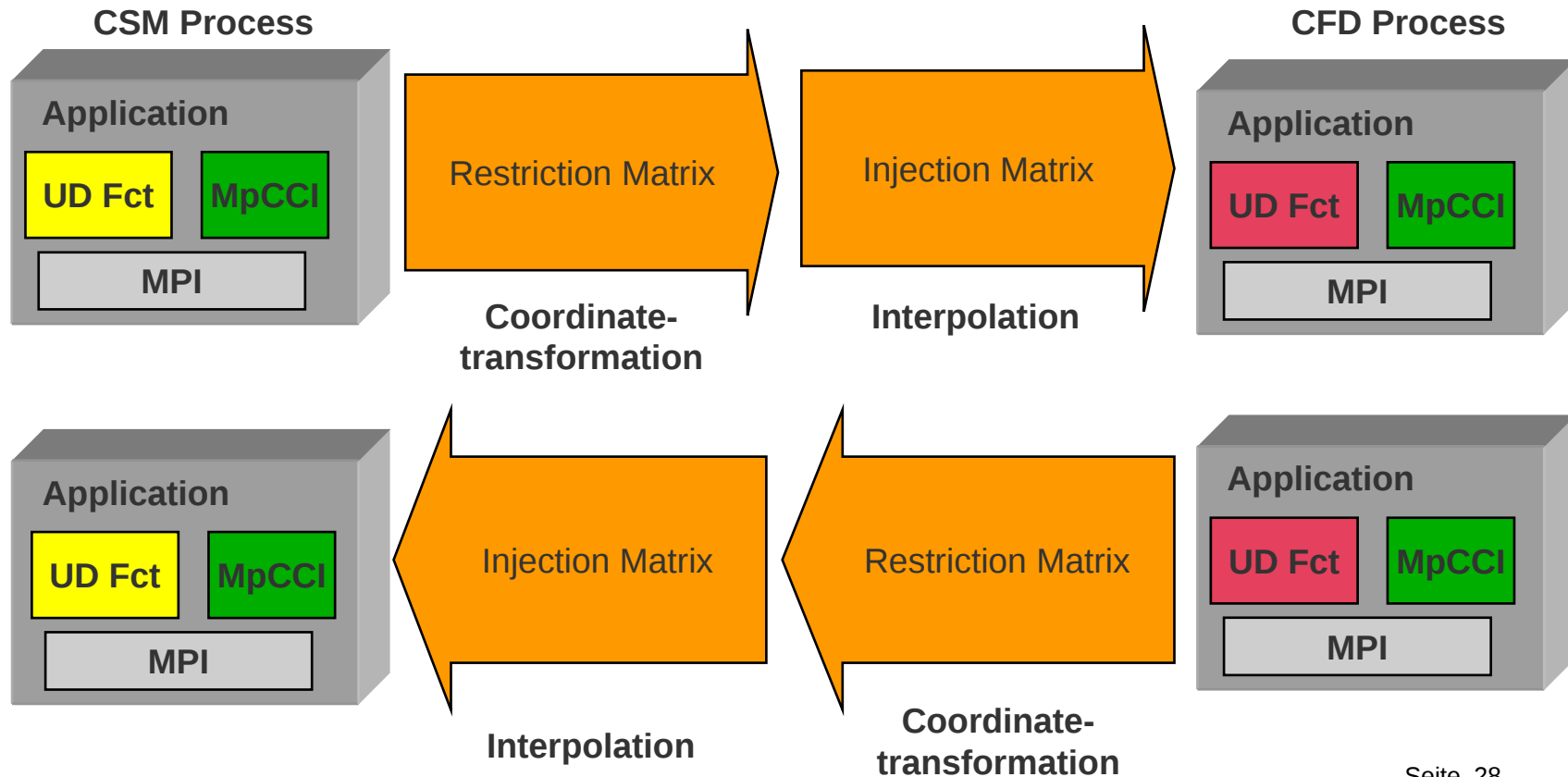


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MpCCI 2.0 Internal Interface for User Defined Interpolation



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MpCCI 2.0 / Extensions for Radial Basis Functions

Thin Plate Spline
Funktion

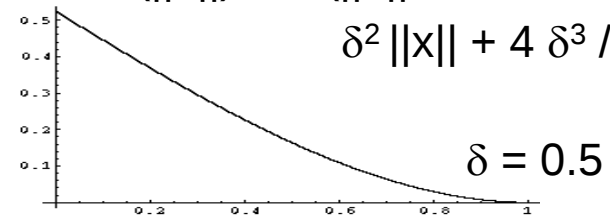
$$\Phi(||x||) = ||x||^2 \log ||x||$$

Volume Spline
Funktion

$$\Phi(||x||) = ||x||$$

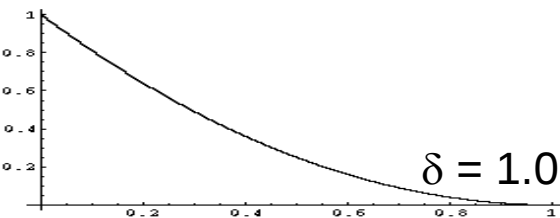
Euclid's Hat Funktion

$$\Phi(||x||) = \pi (||x||^3 / 12 - \delta^2 ||x|| + 4 \delta^3 / 3)$$



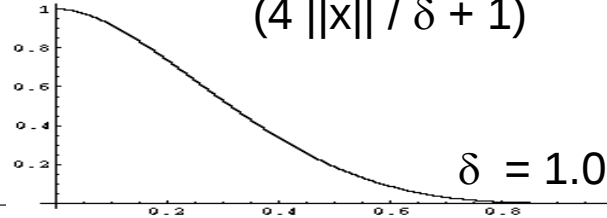
Wendland's Funktion 1

$$\Phi(||x||) = (1 - ||x|| / \delta)^2$$



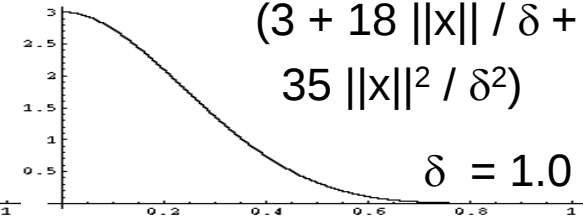
Wendland's Funktion 2

$$\Phi(||x||) = (1 - ||x|| / \delta)^4 (4 ||x|| / \delta + 1)$$



Wendland's Funktion 3

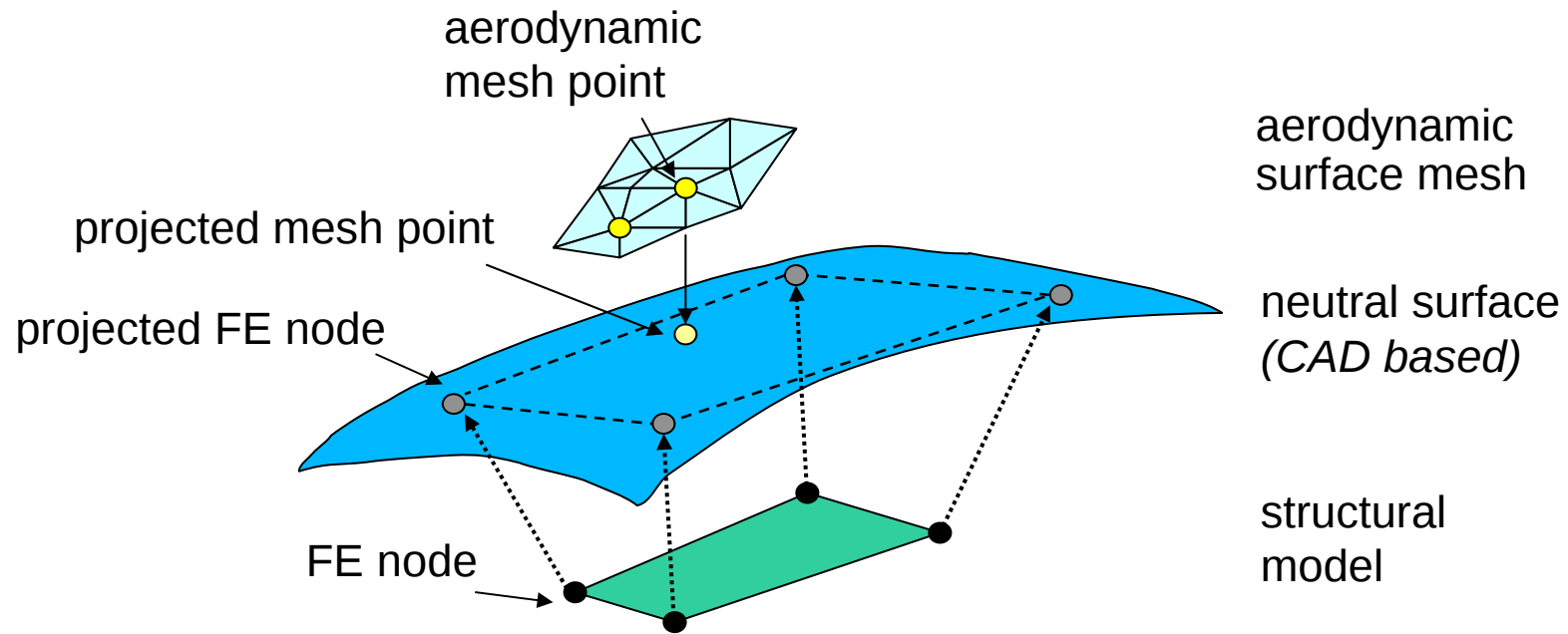
$$\Phi(||x||) = (1 - ||x|| / \delta)^6 (3 + 18 ||x|| / \delta + 35 ||x||^2 / \delta^2)$$



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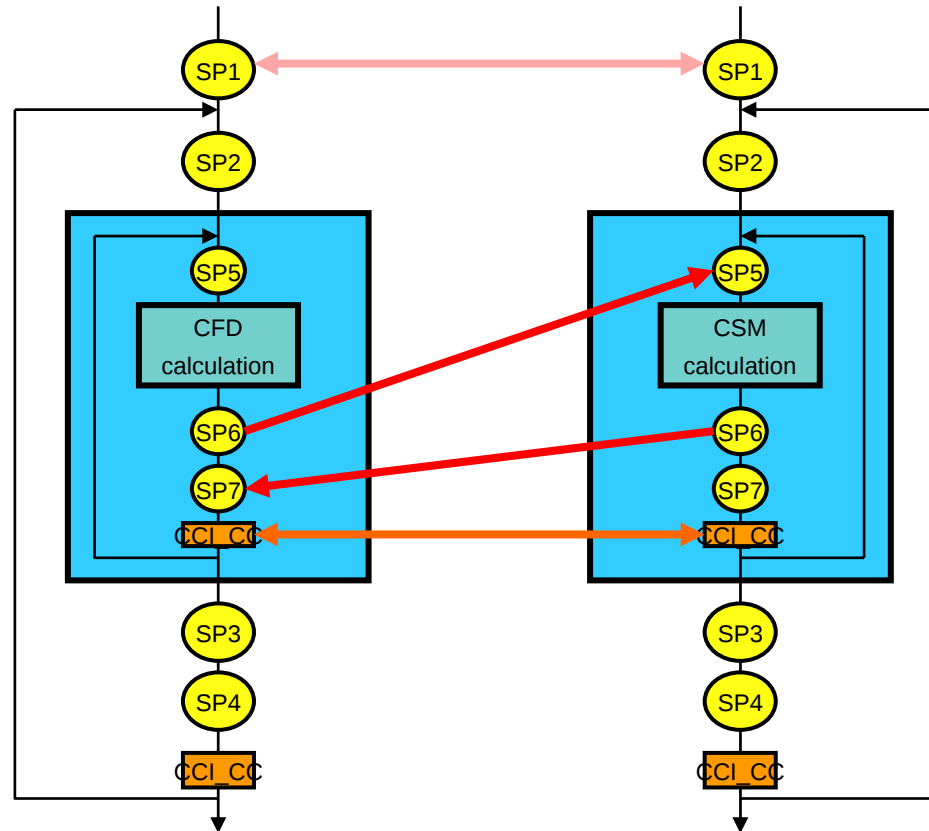
MpCCI 2.0 / Extensions for NURBs based Neutral Interface



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MpCCI Synchpoints



idea

- Make the coupling configurable
→ well-suited for commercial codes
- Syncpoints are **central points** in the coupling algorithm where **communication** with the remote code makes sense
- A step towards **general coupling capability** of a code (independent of a specific remote code)

handling

- The **end-user** puts the synchpoints of the individual codes together
- The end-user defines in the **MpCCI input file**, what quantities are to be exchanged at what point
- **one synchpoint** of code A can be **mapped to several** synchpoints of code B

MpCCI Synchpoints

coupling

...

```
syncpt myCodeA( 5 ) : send( force      / "leftBorder",  
                           heat       / "rightBorder" ),  
                           recv( displacements / "upperBorder",  
                               timestep   / "global" );
```

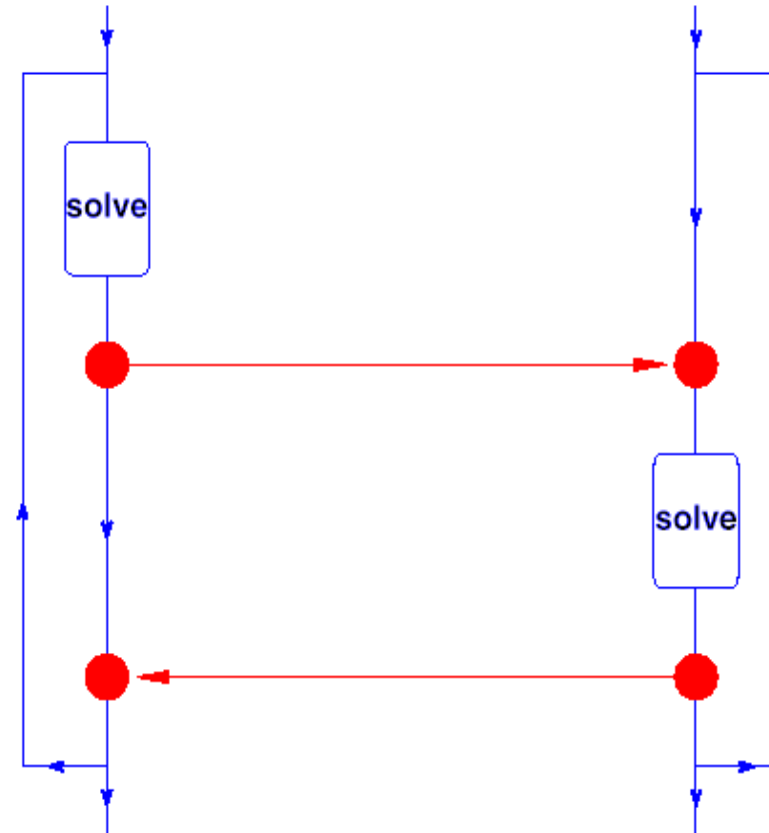
...

```
match_syncpt myCodeA( 5, 6, 7, - )  
              = myCodeB( 21, 21, -, 22 )  
              = myCodeC( 41, -, 41, 42 );
```

end

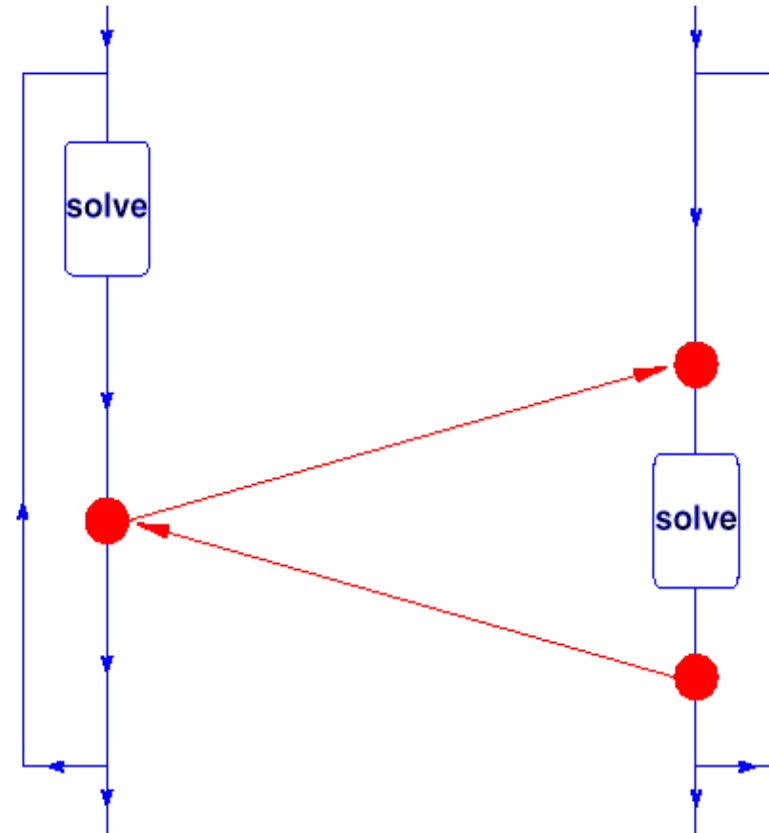


Gauss-Seidel coupling algorithm

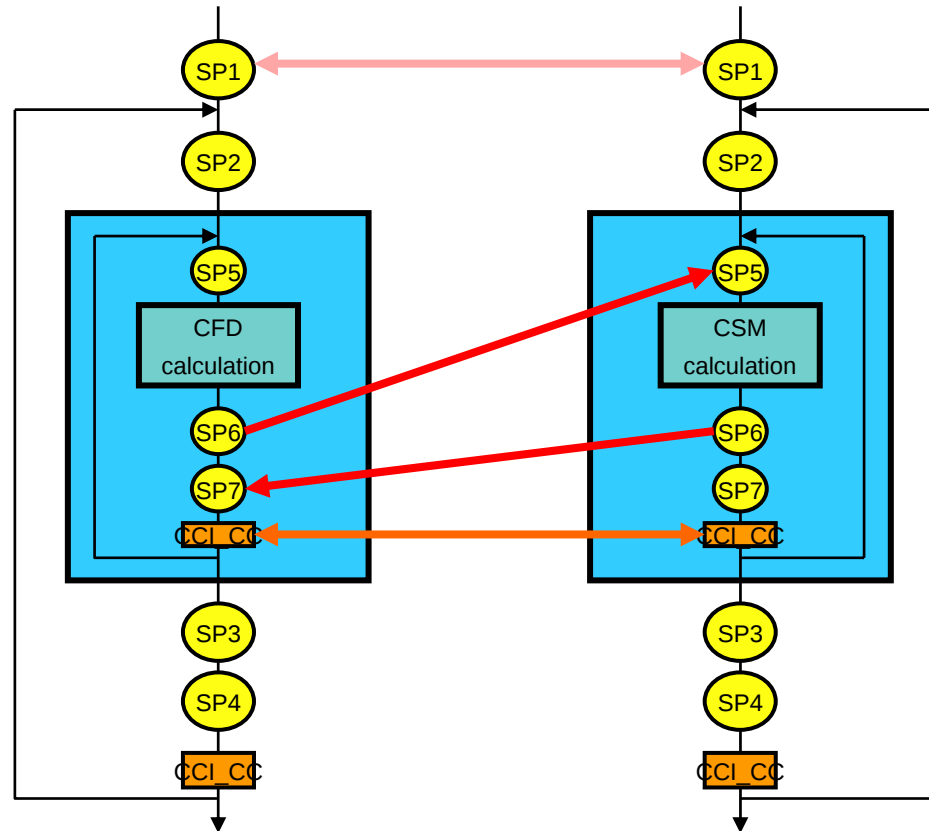


Gauss-Seidel coupling algorithm

map one syncpoint
to two



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MpCCI Version 1.3 (April 2002)

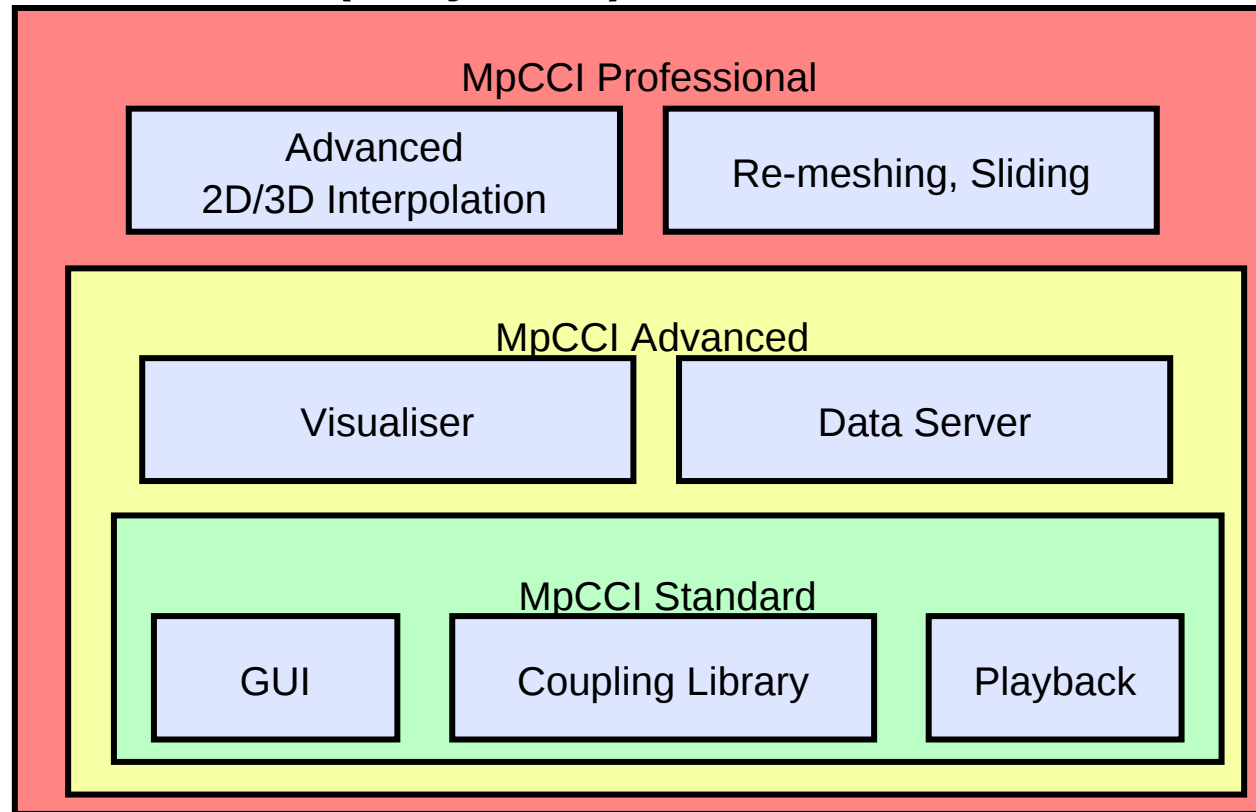
major new features

- extended synchronization point concept
- remeshing
- GUI for setup
- revised **tracefile** format for **MpCCI-Visualizer**
- **2D coupling** along a line
- licence key (date, system id)
- many minor improvements

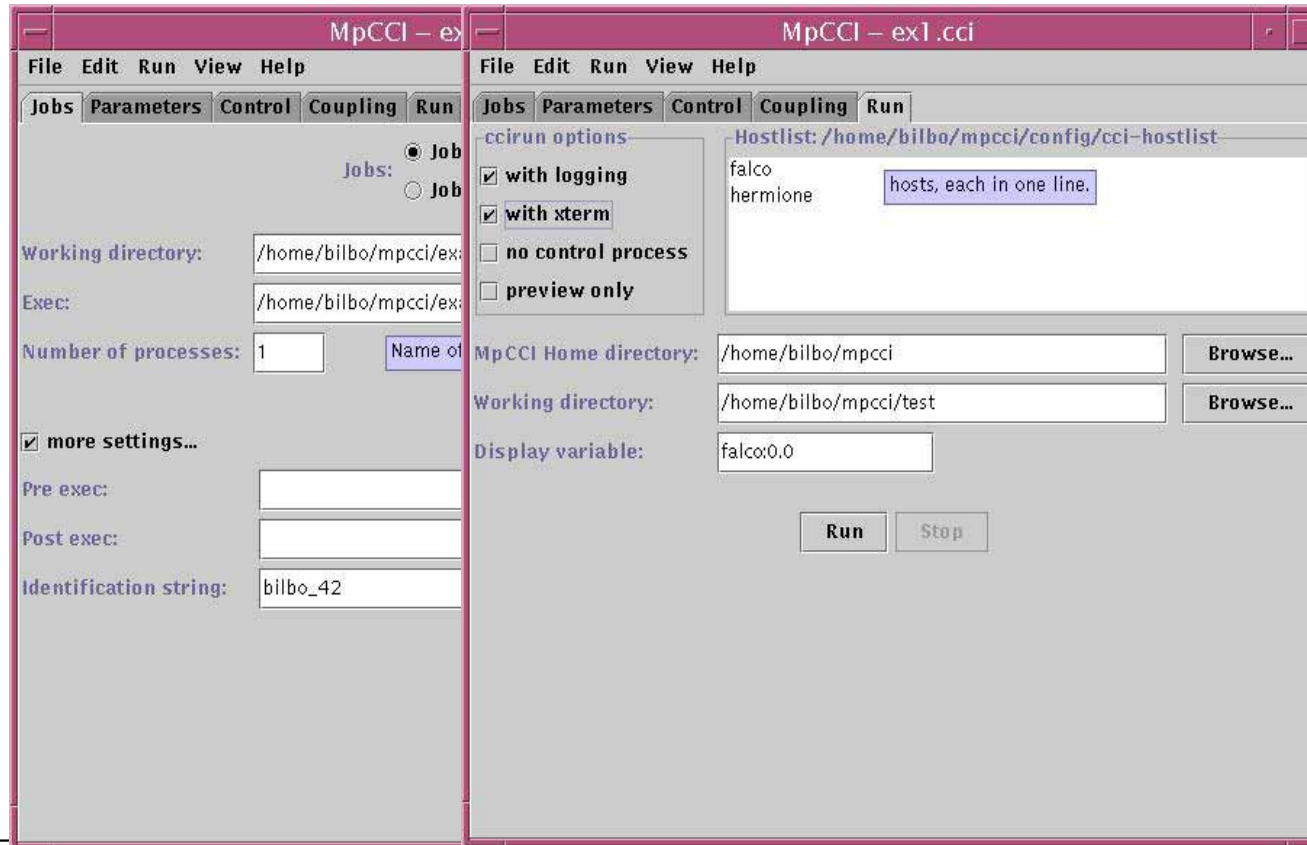
environment

- MPICH 1.2.3

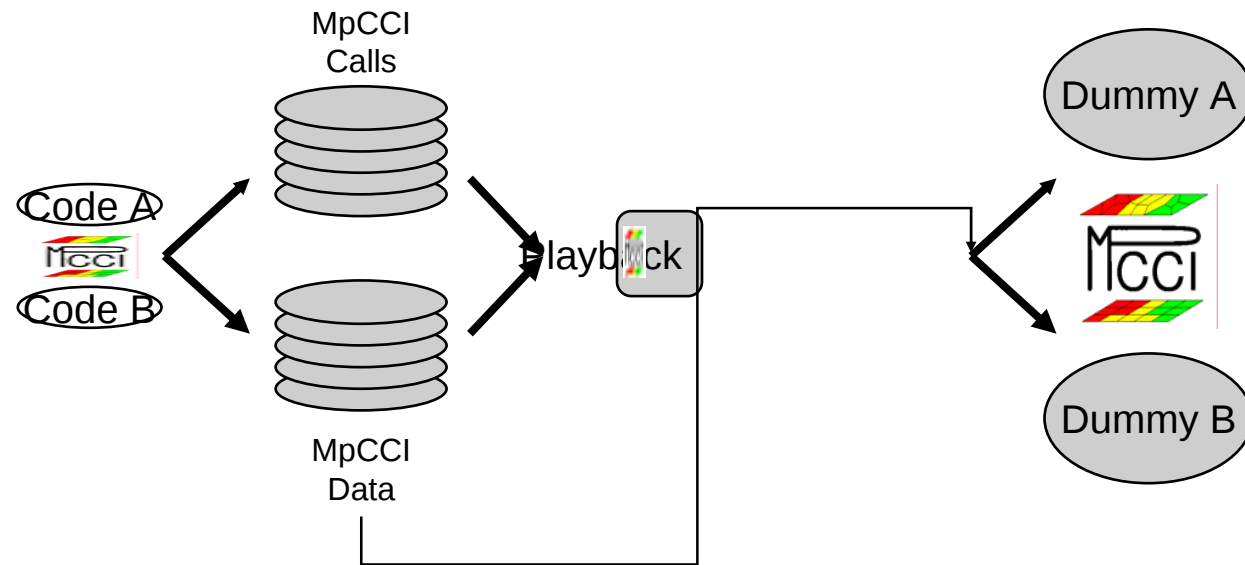
MpCCI 2.0 Levels (early 2003)



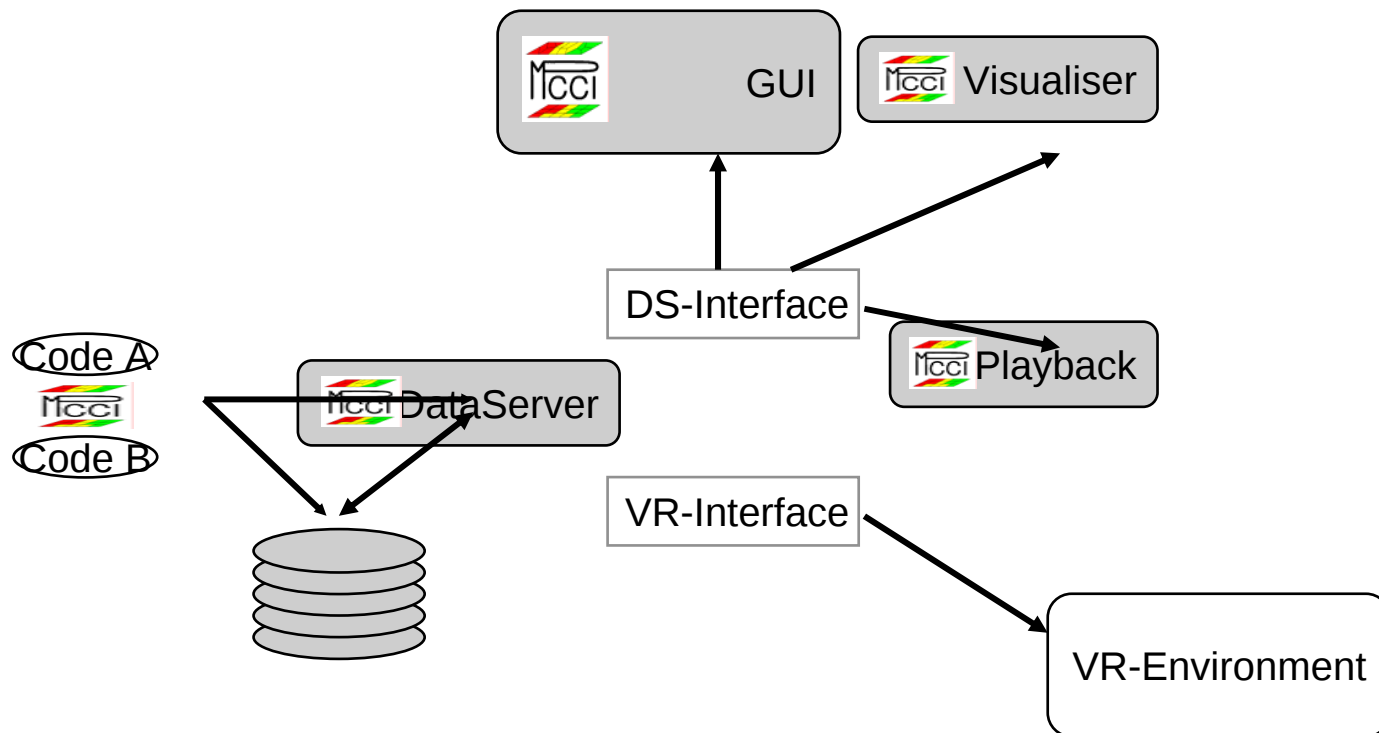
MpCCI 2.0 Standard / GUI



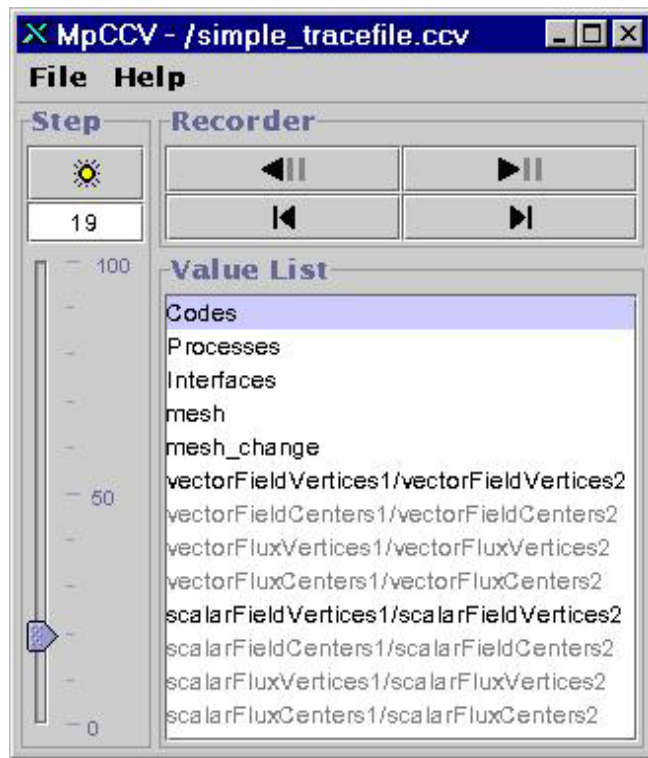
MpCCI 2.0 Standard / Playback



MpCCI 2.0 Advanced / Architecture

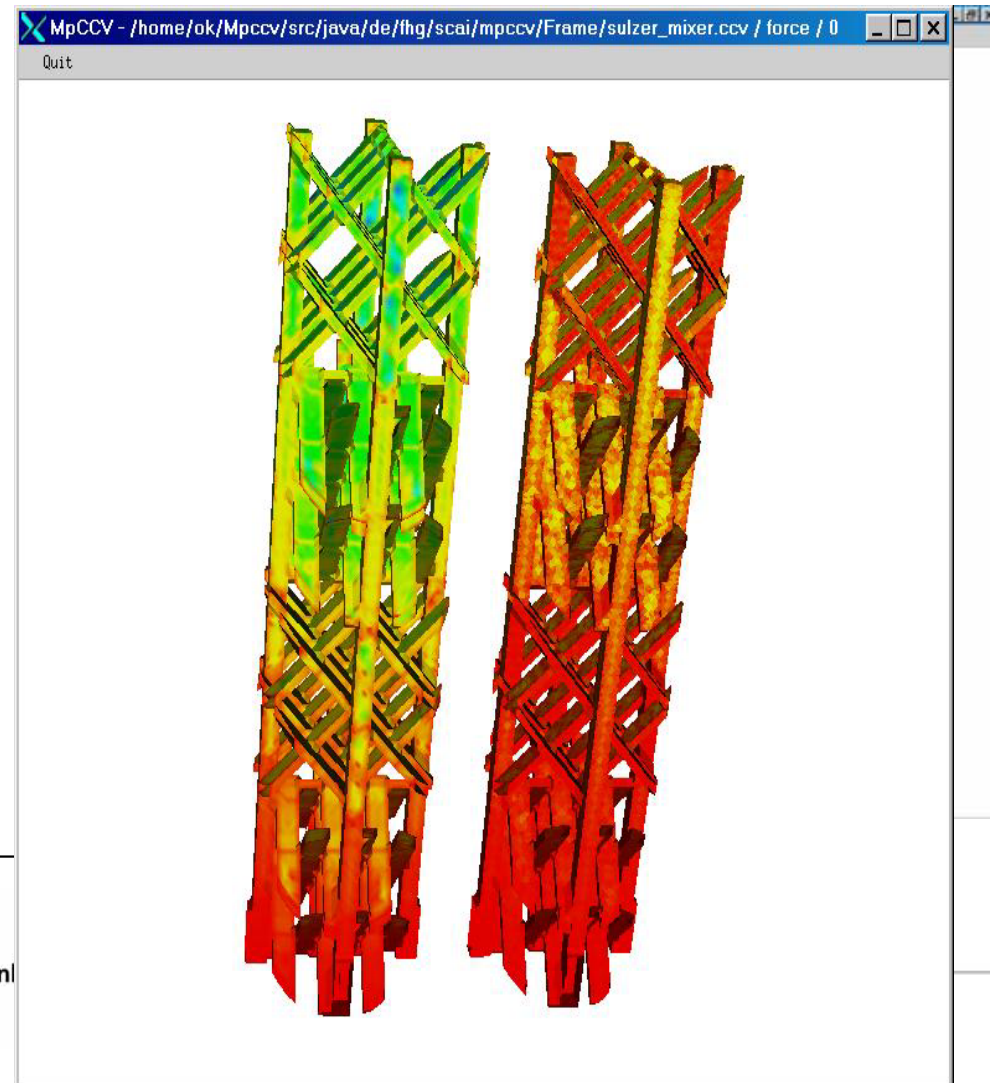


MpCCI 2.0 Advanced / Visualiser



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MpCCI 2.0 Professional

- Numerical Extensions
- Sophisticated Support for 3D-Coupling Areas
- New Interpolation Schemes
 - 3D Linear and Bi-Linear Interpolation
 - 2D and 3D Intersection of Elements
- Fast Remeshing Support
- Coordinate Transformation

Portability

SUN	Solaris	CC/gcc	MPICH/MetaMPI
SGI	IRIX	CC/gcc	MPICH/SGI-MPI
IBM	AIX	xlC/gcc	IBM-MPI/STAMPI
HP	HP-UX	aCC/gcc	MPICH
Cray T3E/T94	Unicos	CC/KCC	Cray-MPI/MetaMPI
Hitachi SR8000	HI-UX	KCC	Hitachi-MPI
NEC SX4	SUPER-UX	c++	NEC-MPI/STAMPI
PC	Linux	gcc/g77/pgf90/lf95	MPICH/SCAMPI
PC	Windows	VisualC/BorlandC	WMPI/MPICHNT
Compaq			
Fujitsu			

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Cooperations with Software Vendors

- AEA Technology: **CFX-5**
- ANSYS: **ANSYS (FLOTRAN)**
- CD-adapco: **STAR-CD**
- Intes: **PERMAS**
- MSC.Software: **MSC.Marc**, **MSC.Nastran**
- Fluent: **Fluent**
- AVL: **Fire, Swift, Boost, ...**
- ESI: **PAM-Flow, PAM-Crash**
- EXA: **PowerFLOW**
- HKS: **Abaqus**
- **CFDRC, ITASCA, MAGMA, Access/Cast**

MpCCI – Commercial Distribution



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- Owner of all Rights
- Further Development of MpCCI and Coupled Applications
- Creation of new Multidisciplinary Tools



- Exclusive Distribution Partner
- Support and Services around



- Sub-Distribution Licence under Negotiations

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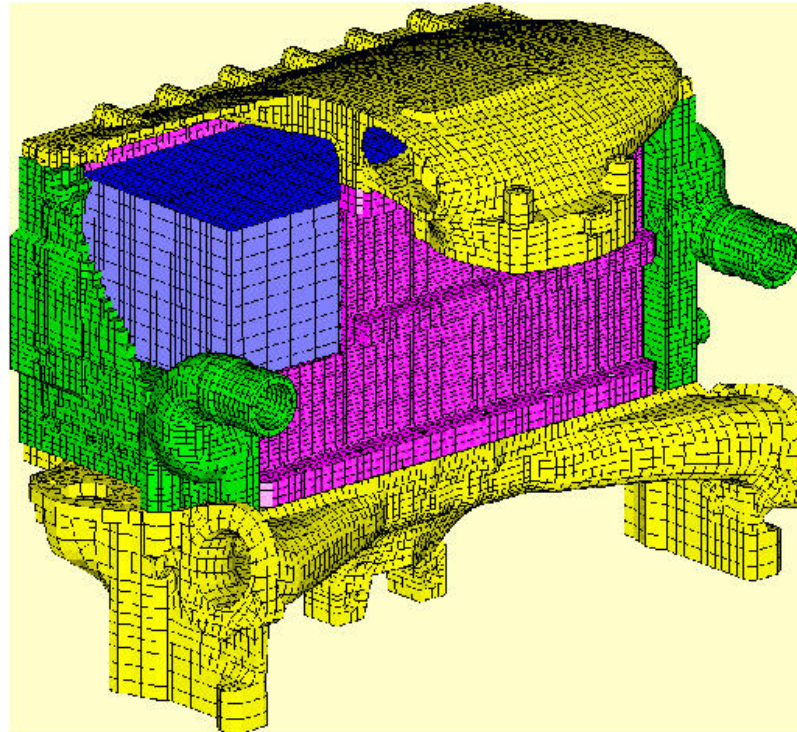
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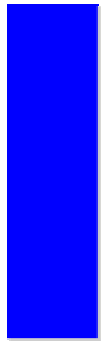


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Fluid Dynamics and Thermal Analysis



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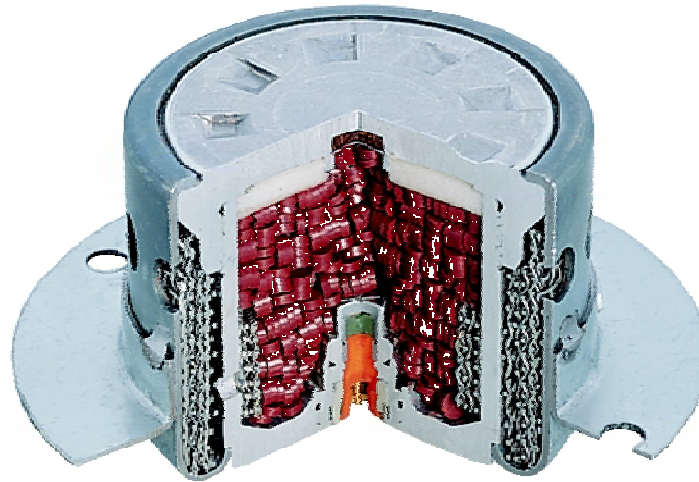
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Gas Generator (TRW Airbag Systems)



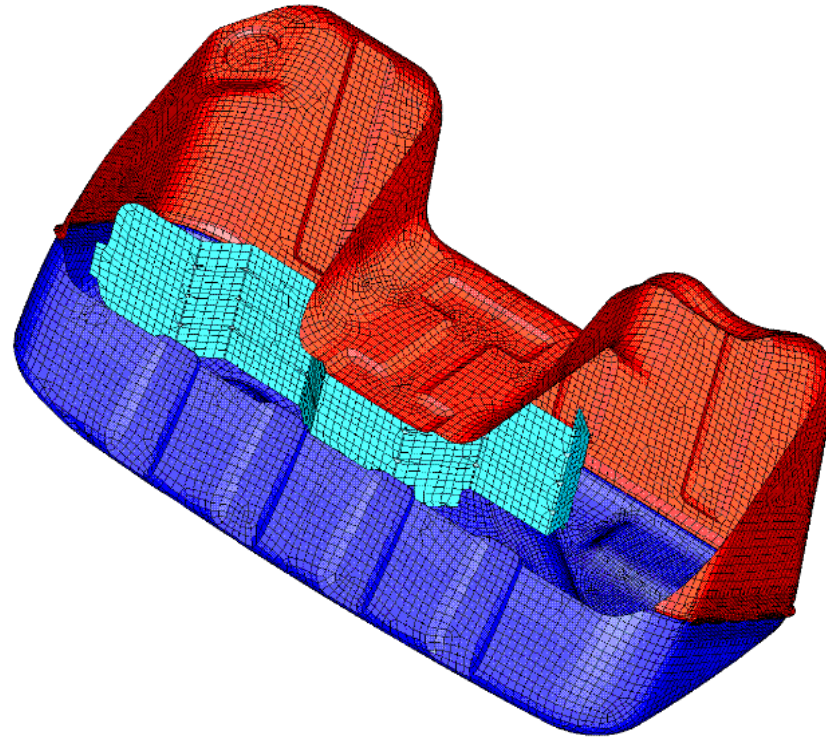
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Sloshing in Tanks (DaimlerChrysler)



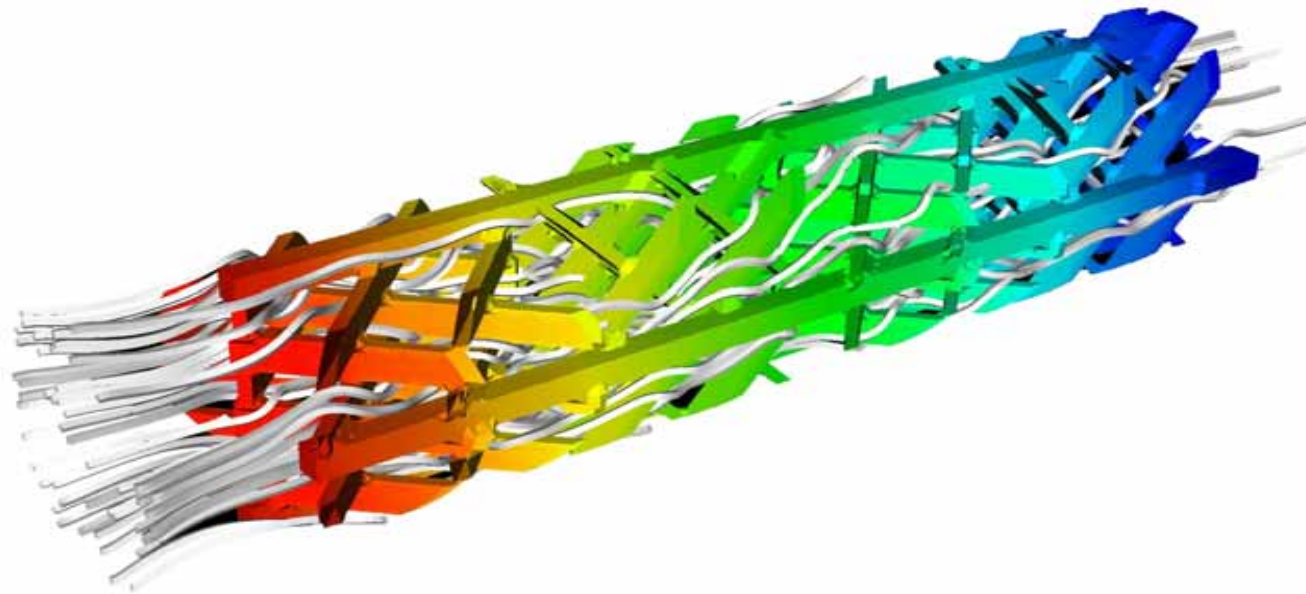
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Polymer Mixer(Sulzer Innotec)



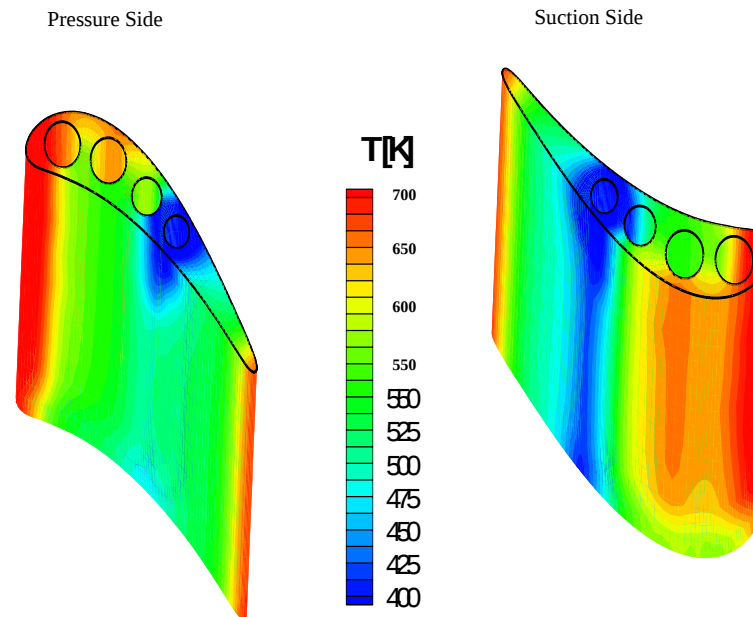
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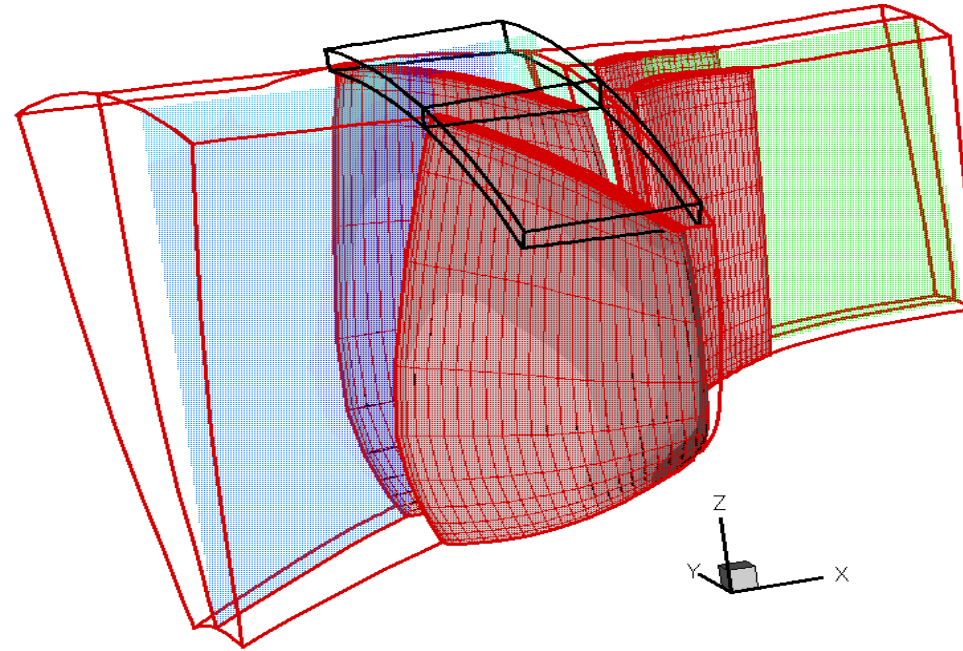
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Heat Transfer in Turbines



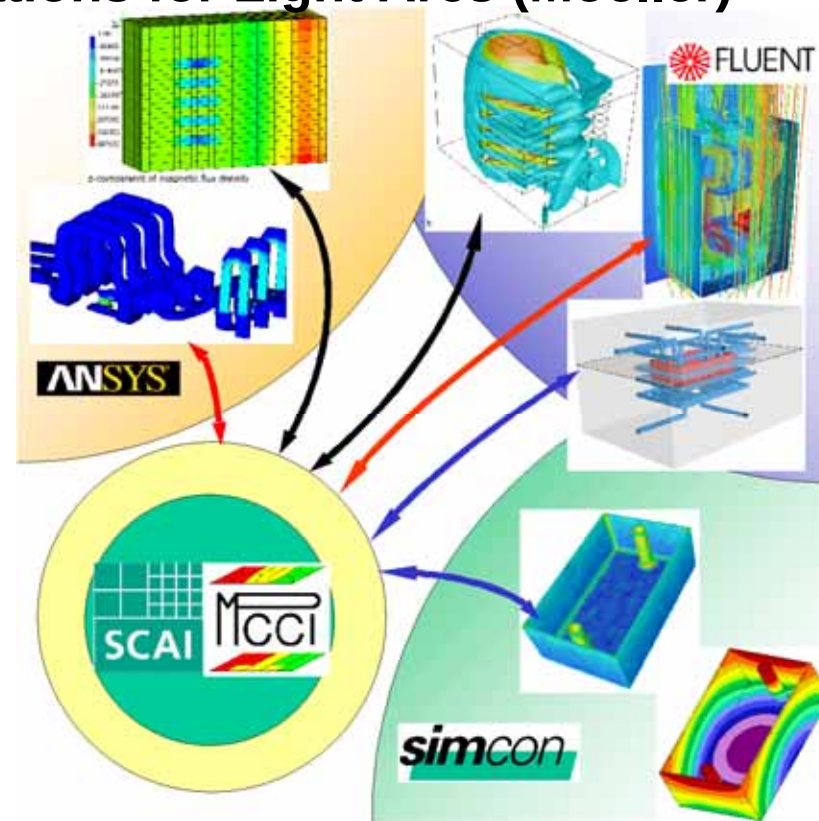
Fluid-Fluid-Coupling in Turbines (MTU Turbo Engines)



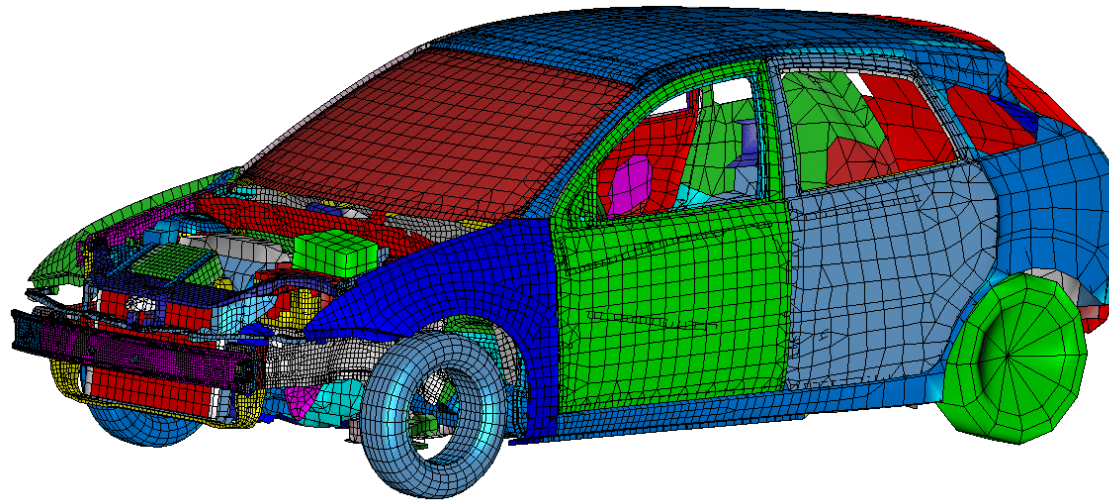
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Coupled Simulations for Light Arcs (Moeller)



Coupled Stamping-Crash-Simulation (Ford)



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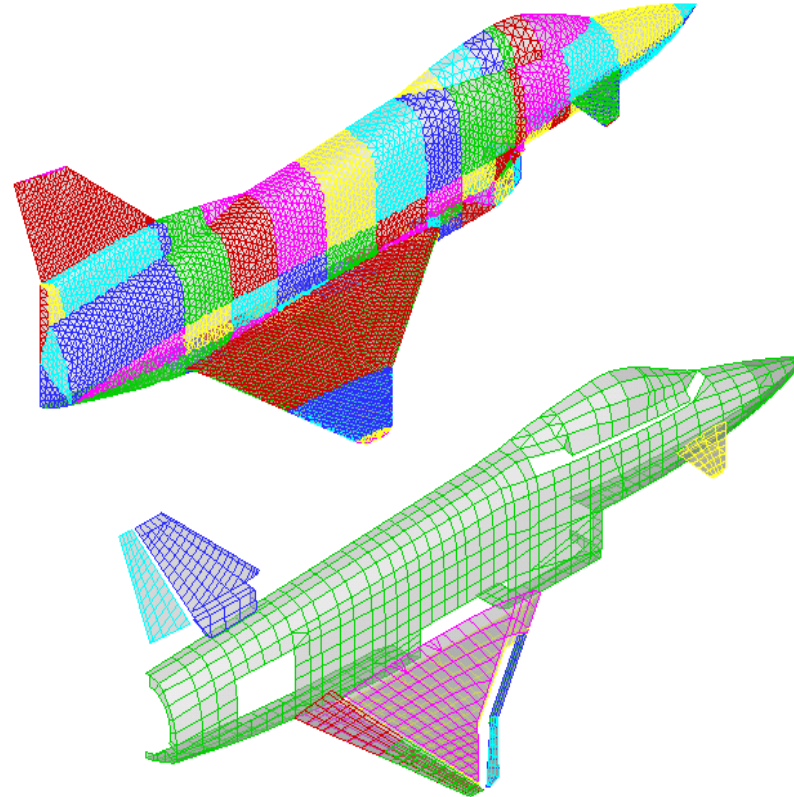


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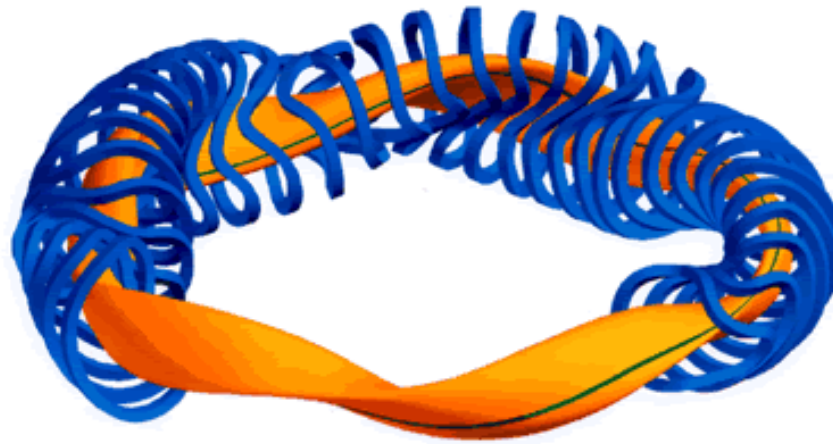
Aeroelastic Simulations (EADS)



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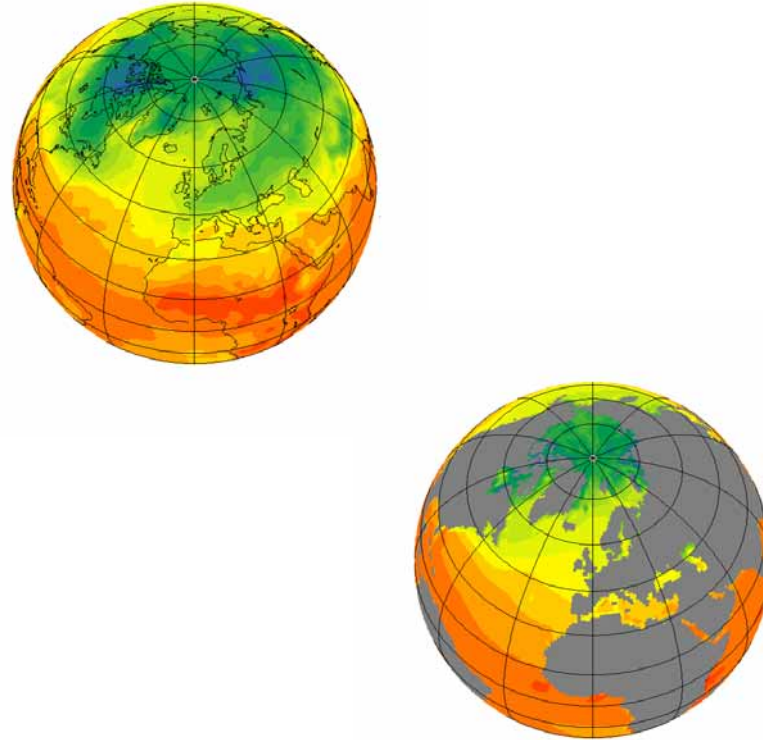
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Electrodynamic-Structure-Coupling (University of Rostock)

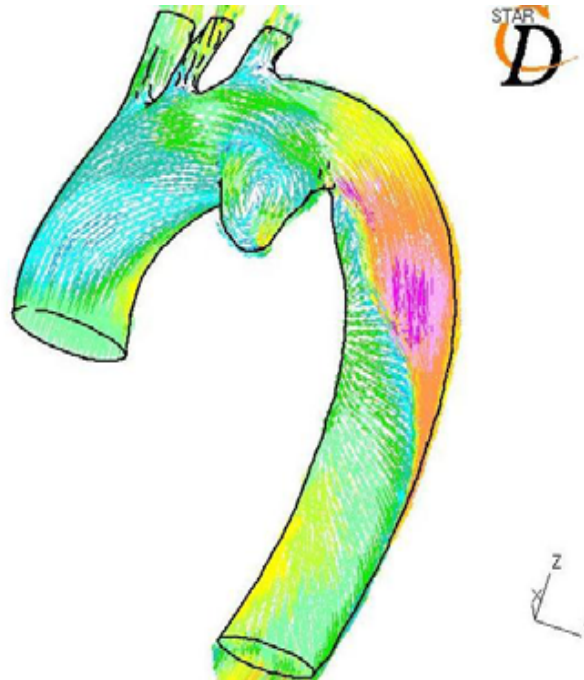


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Coupled Climate Models



Simulation of Arterial Biomechanics (JAERI)



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Conlusion

- MpCCI is an accepted industrial standard for code coupling
- MpCCI is not limited to any application areas
- MpCCI provides solution for communication, spatial interpolation and coupling control
- MpCCI provides an increasing set of additional tools .

Outlook

There are upcoming new application types

- Coupling of simulation and experimental data
- Coupling of mesh-based and mesh-less codes (e.g. CSM and MBS)
- Increasing requirements for mapping and geometry processing facilities



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Thank You very much for Your Audience!!