Computational Mechanics: HDF Parallel I/O Implementation in Warp3D

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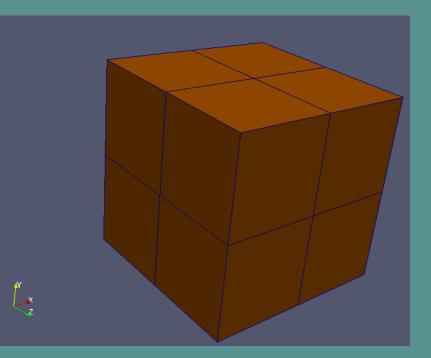




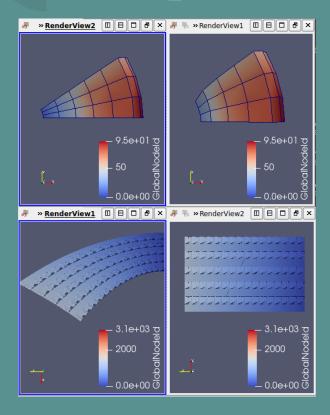
Project Overview

Create a workflow using multiple open source programs to create more complex geometries for Warp3D input

Use HDF5 to store output in parallel from Warp3D to be rendered by visualization software like Paraview



Warp3D

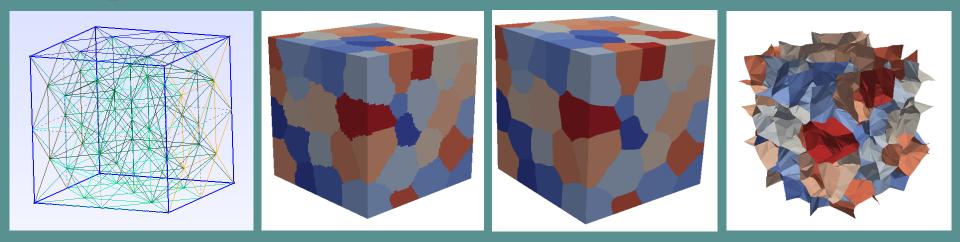


Description: Open source code for 3D nonlinear analysis of solids primarily for fatigue and fracture simulations for materials under static, dynamic ,and thermal loadings

Purpose: Analyze material mechanics under stresses to improve designs.

Code: Written in Fortran 1980's - Current) (Late

Front End





Dream3D

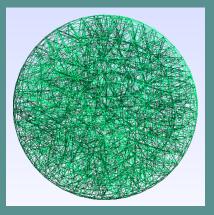
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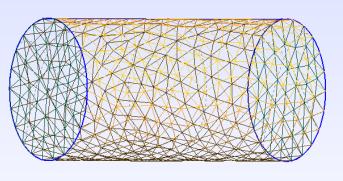
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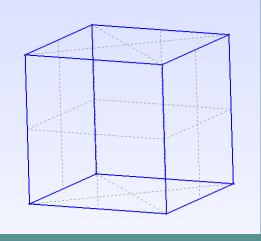
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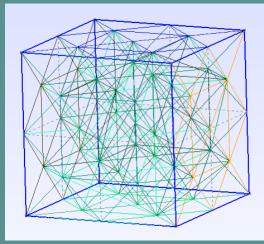
Description: Gmsh is a free 3D finite element mesh generator with a built-in CAD engine

Purpose: Gmsh was used to create model geometries and meshes. Gmsh comes ready to export model and mesh data to an STL file.





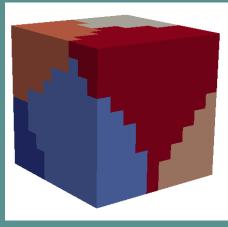


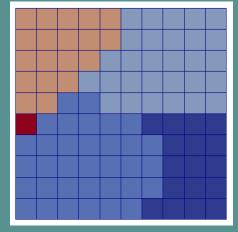


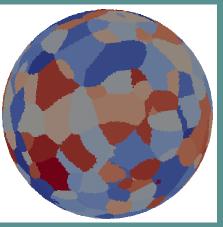
Dream3d

Description: Dream3D allows users to fill solid CAD models with microstructural grains created from input statistics and properties.

Purpose: Dream3D was used to create initial grain structures in Gmsh models. Dream 3D can input STL files from Gmsh and output a .dream3D file containing grain and model data.



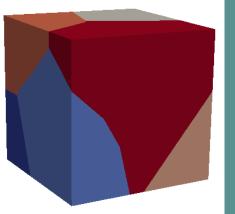


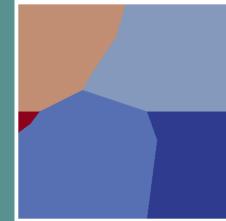


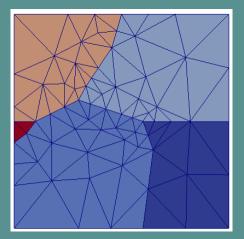
Voxel2Tet

Description: Voxel2Tet is a code written in C++ that can take voxel (cubic) grain structures and convert them to tetrahedral mesh with smooth interfaces.

Purpose: Voxel2Tet was used to make Dream3D grain structures smoother and more realistic. Users can input a .dream3D file, and Voxel2Tet will output an Abaqus .inp file containing grain and model data.

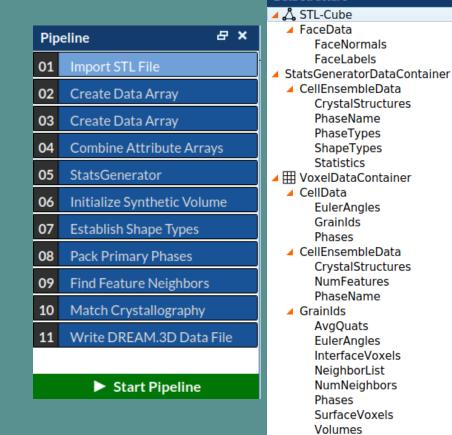






Voxel2Tet cont.

- Voxel2Tet last updated in 2016.
- Source code modification to read most recent Dream3D data outputs
- Reading of source code to find required data and structure for Voxel2Tet to run successfully
- Created a specific dream3d pipeline to create suitable files for Voxel2Tet input

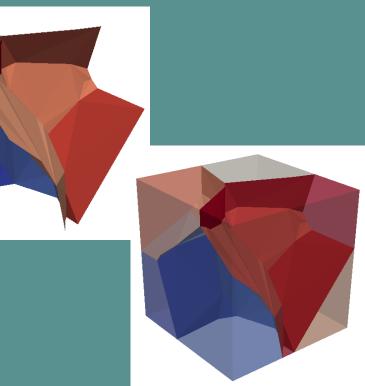


Data Structure

Discontinuous Element Insertion Program (DEIP)

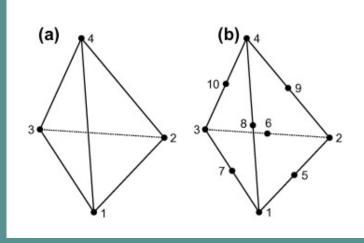
Description: Discontinuous Element Insertion Program is a program written in MATLAB that inserts zero-thickness elements in between grain surfaces in a finite element mesh in two and three dimensions

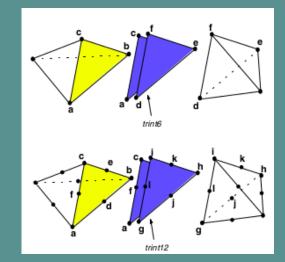
Purpose: DEIP was used to place interface elements between the Voxel2Tet grain structures. DEIP comes with a Warp3D input file writer to output model, grain, and grain interface data into Warp3D for simulation.



DEIP cont.

- MATLAB program was written to read the Voxel2Tet abaqus output file.
- Linear tetrahedral elements were converted to quadratic using code written by John Burkardt, this step was added to the DEIP program.
- Warp3D file writer needed modification to account for quadratic elements and surface elements





Overview of Front End Workflow

Gmsh	Dream3D	Voxel2Tet	DEIP
Gmsh is used to create initial geometry and mesh	Dream3D creates initial grain structures	Voxel2Tet smoothes and converts elements to tetrahedral	DEIP inserts interface elements and writes Warp3D input file

Back End

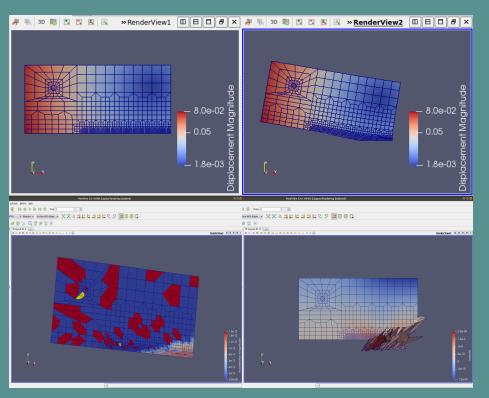






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Description: 3D Object Rendering Software

Purpose: Visualize a 3D object and represent displacements, temperatures, etc. calculated in Warp3D

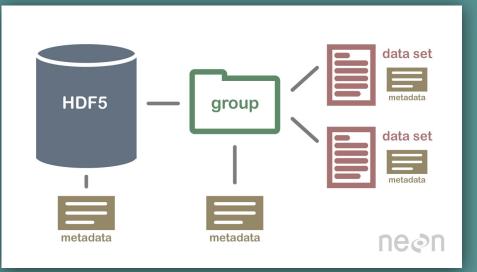
Program Use: Opens .exo file given by Warp3D or .xmf file used with .h5 file

HDF5

Description: File Type .h5

Purpose: Store files/data by efficient and compact means using a hierarchical format (similar to Unix file storage and directories)

Code: Written in C, C++, Fortran



XDMF

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Description: File Type .xmf

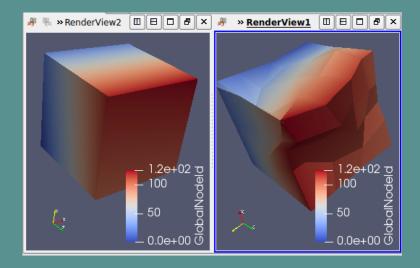
Purpose: XDMF uses XML to store Light data and describe the data Model. Either HDF5 or binary files can be used to store Heavy data.

Light data or "metadata" is used by software such as Paraview to read and render data from Heavy data files like .h5

Code: Written in C, C++, Fortran

Measures Taken

- Installed, compiled and ran all required programs separately
- Wrote program to convert .geo or Patran Format .text to .h5 and opened with Paraview by giving a .xmf to represent formatting and attributes
- Learned the structure of Warp3D source and subroutine calls
- Manipulated and developed Warp3D source code to write to .h5 from C function called in Fortran
- Developed workflow through various front end programs to better represent 3D objects resulting in more accurate simulations



What's next?

- Compare Warp3D results for models with and without grain structures and grain boundary interfaces.
- Implement parallelism in Voxel2Tet and DEIP to lower run times.
- Test input workflow on large scale, complex geometries to find real world solutions.
- Persist in achieving more accurately simulated models for optimal data most precise to the physical world
- Continue developing parallelism in input and output processing

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