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MFront for the Code-Aster'users and beyond

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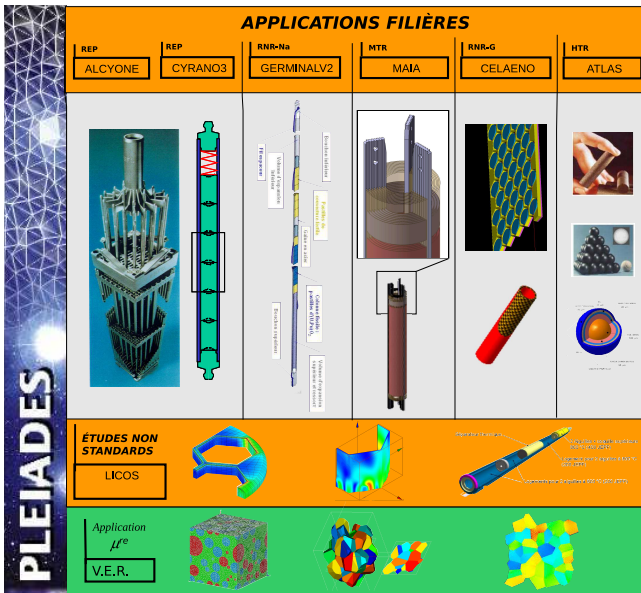
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PLEIADES goals : building high quality fuels performance codes

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- usable in Code-Aster through the python interface.
- also in C, C++, fortran, excel, Cast3M, etc..
- usable in MFront's mechanical behaviours !

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  Martin, DG
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@Input T, f;                // inputs of the material property
T.setGlossaryName("Temperature");
f.setGlossaryName("Porosity");

@PhysicalBounds T in [0:.*]; // Temperature is positive
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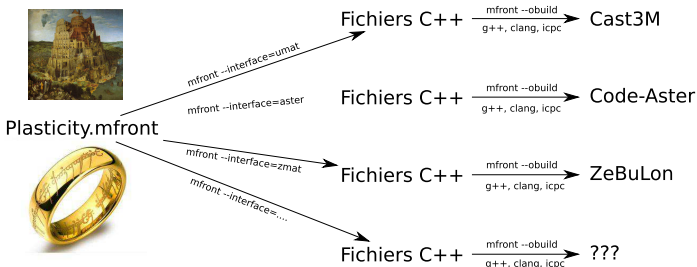
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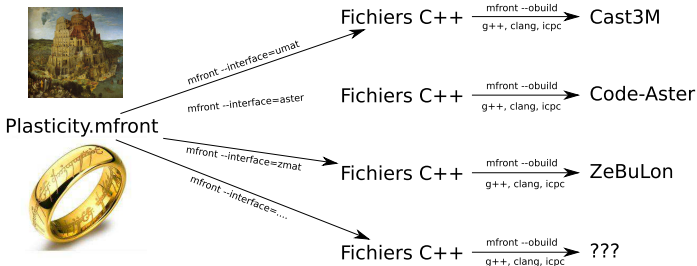
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 - general small strain behaviours, general finite strain behaviours, cohesive zone models
 - any mechanical behaviour, including plasticity, viscoplasticity, damage, etc...
 - ▶ explicit or implicit integration schemes are available

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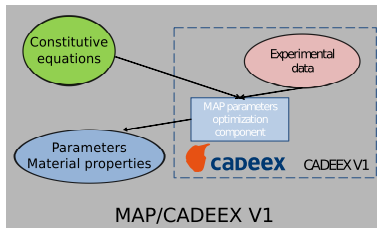
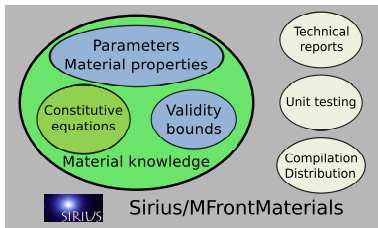
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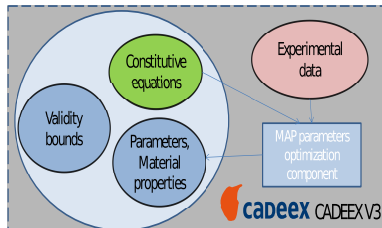
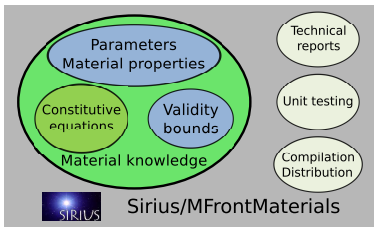
Stronger quality assurance for the end user studies

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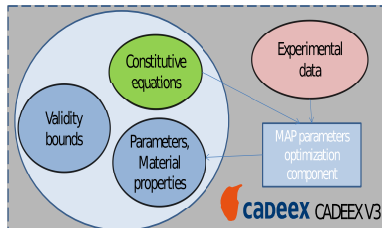
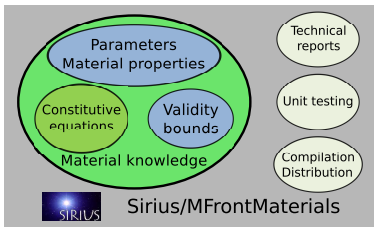
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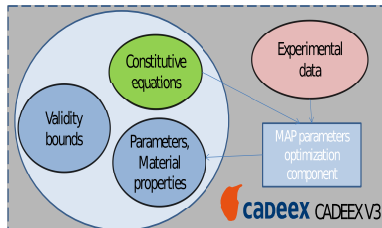
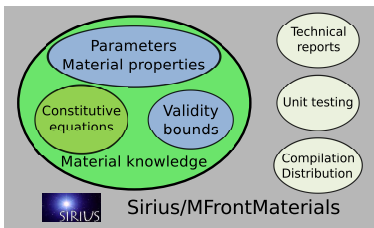
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- Solver inputs files would greatly benefit from **allowing access to the underlying material data (Salome again)**

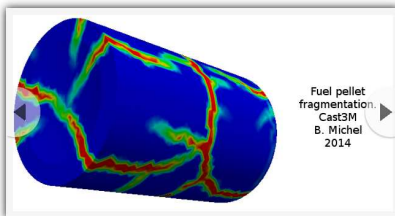
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MFronT: a code generation tool dedicated to material knowledge



New users/contributors are welcomed !

<http://tfel.sourceforge.net>

Appendix

- To meet CEA and EDF needs, TFEL 2.0 is released under a multi-licensing scheme :
 - open-source licences :
 - ▶ GNU Public License : This licence is used by the Code-Aster finite element solver.
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