# OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh Class Reference

This component is used to represent the articular surfaces in the Smith2018ArticularContactForce component. More...

▶ Inheritance diagram for OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh:

# OpenSim Properties, Sockets, Outputs, Inputs

#### Properties (single-value) std::string mesh\_file 'Path to triangle mesh geometry file representing the contact surface " "(supports .obj, .stl, .vtp)." More... double elastic modulus "Uniform Elastic Modulus value for every triangle in mesh. " "The default value is 1000000.0 Pa." More... double poissons\_ratio 'Uniform Poissons Ratio value for every triangle in mesh. " "The default value is 0.5." More... double thickness "Uniform thickness of elastic layer for entire mesh. " "The default value is 0.005 meters" More... bool use\_variable\_thickness "Compute the local thickness for each triangle in mesh\_file by " "calculating the distance along a normal ray cast from the center of ( "each triangle in the mesh\_file to intersection with the " "mesh\_back\_file. If use\_variable\_thickness is true, mesh\_back\_file " "must be defined and the 'thickness' property value is not used." "The Default value is false." More... SimTK::Vec3 scale factors "[x,y,z] scale factors applied to vertex locations of the mesh\_file " "and mesh\_back\_file meshes." More...

#### Properties (optional)

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double min\_thickness

"Minimum thickness threshold for elastic layer [m] when calculating " "cartilage thickness for each triangle." More...

double max\_thickness

"Maximum thickness threshold for elastic layer [m] when calculating " "cartilage thickness for each triangle." More...

#### Sockets

PhysicalFrame scale\_frame

"When using the ScaleTool, the scale factors from this frame will be " "used to scale the mesh." More...

- DenSim Properties, Sockets, Outputs, Inputs inherited from OpenSim::ContactGeometry
- OpenSim Properties, Sockets, Outputs, Inputs inherited from OpenSim::Component

#### **Public Member Functions**

	Smith2018ContactMesh ()
	Smith2018ContactMesh (const std::string &name, const std::string &mesh_file, const PhysicalFrame &frame)
	Smith2018ContactMesh (const std::string &name, const std::string &mesh_file, const PhysicalFrame &frame, const SimTK::Vec3 &location, const SimTK::Vec3 &orientation)
	Smith2018ContactMesh (const std::string &name, const std::string &mesh_file, const PhysicalFrame &frame, const SimTK::Vec3 &location, const SimTK::Vec3 &orientation, bool use_variable_thickness, const std::string &mesh_back_file, double min_thickness, double max_thickness)
SimTK::ContactGeometry	<pre>createSimTKContactGeometry () const override Create a new SimTK::ContactGeometry based on this object. More</pre>
const SimTK::PolygonalMesh &	getPolygonalMesh () const
int	getNumFaces () const
int	getNumVertices () const
const std::set< int > &	getNeighborTris (int tri) const
const std::vector< std::vector< int > > &	getRegionalTriangleIndices () const
const double &	getTriangleThickness (int i) const
const double &	getTriangleElasticModulus (int i) const
const double &	getTrianglePoissonsRatio (int i) const
const SimTK::Vector &	getTriangleAreas () const
const SimTK::Vector_< SimTK::Vec3 > &	getTriangleCenters () const
const SimTK::Vector_< SimTK::UnitVec3 > &	getTriangleNormals () const
const SimTK::Matrix_< SimTK::Vec3 > &	getFaceVertexLocations () const
const SimTK::Vector_< SimTK::Vec3 > &	getVertexLocations () const
const OBBTreeNode &	getOBBTreeNode () const
int	getOBBNumTriangles () const
bool	rayIntersectMesh (const SimTK::Vec3 &origin, const SimTK::UnitVec3 &direction, const double &min_proximity, const double &max_proximity, int &tri, SimTK::Vec3 intersection_point, SimTK::Rea &distance) const
void	generateDecorations (bool fixed, const ModelDisplayHints &hints, const SimTK::State &s,

SimTK::Array\_< SimTK::DecorativeGeometry > &geometry) const override

Optional method for generating arbitrary display geometry that reflects this Component at the specified

const PhysicalFrame &	getMeshFrame () const
Property-related functions	and much the O court
const std::string &	get_mesh_file () const Get the value of the mesh_file property. More
std::string &	<pre>upd_mesh_file () Get a writable reference to the mesh_file property. More</pre>
void	<pre>set_mesh_file (const std::string &amp;value) Set the value of the mesh_file property. More</pre>
const double &	<pre>get_elastic_modulus () const Get the value of the elastic_modulus property. More</pre>
double &	<pre>upd_elastic_modulus () Get a writable reference to the elastic_modulus property. More</pre>
void	set_elastic_modulus (const double &value) Set the value of the elastic_modulus property. More
const double &	<pre>get_poissons_ratio () const Get the value of the poissons_ratio property. More</pre>
double &	<pre>upd_poissons_ratio () Get a writable reference to the poissons_ratio property. More</pre>
void	set_poissons_ratio (const double &value) Set the value of the poissons_ratio property. More
const double &	get_thickness () const Get the value of the thickness property. More
double &	<pre>upd_thickness () Get a writable reference to the thickness property. More</pre>
void	set_thickness (const double &value) Set the value of the thickness property. More
const bool &	<pre>get_use_variable_thickness () const Get the value of the use_variable_thickness property. More</pre>
bool &	<pre>upd_use_variable_thickness () Get a writable reference to the use_variable_thickness property. More</pre>
void	set_use_variable_thickness (const bool &value) Set the value of the use_variable_thickness property. More
const std::string &	<pre>get_mesh_back_file () const Get the value of the mesh_back_file property. More</pre>
std::string &	<pre>upd_mesh_back_file () Get a writable reference to the mesh_back_file property. More</pre>
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	upd_max_thickness () Get a writable reference to the max_thickness property. More
	set_max_thickness (const double &value) Set the value of the max_thickness property. More
	get_scale_factors () const Get the value of the scale_factors property. More
SimTK::Vec3 &	<pre>upd_scale_factors () Get a writable reference to the scale_factors property. More</pre>
void	set_scale_factors (const SimTK::Vec3 &value) Set the value of the scale_factors property. More
Socket-related functions	
void	<pre>connectSocket_scale_frame (const Object &amp;object) Connect the 'scale_frame' Socket to an object of type PhysicalFrame. More</pre>

- ▶ Public Member Functions inherited from OpenSim::Component
- ▶ Public Member Functions inherited from OpenSim::Object

# **Auto-generated functions**

static Smith2018ContactMesh *	safeDownCast (OpenSim::Object *obj) For use in MATLAB and Python to access the concrete class. More
static const std::string &	getClassName () This returns "Smith2018ContactMesh". More
Smith2018ContactMesh *	clone () const override Create a new heap-allocated copy of the concrete object to which this Object refers. More
const std::string &	getConcreteClassName () const override  Returns the class name of the concrete Object-derived class of the actual object referenced by this Object, as a string. More

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

- ▶ Static Public Member Functions inherited from OpenSim::ContactGeometry
- ▶ Static Public Member Functions inherited from OpenSim::ModelComponent
- Static Public Member Functions inherited from OpenSim::Component
- ▶ Static Public Member Functions inherited from OpenSim::Object

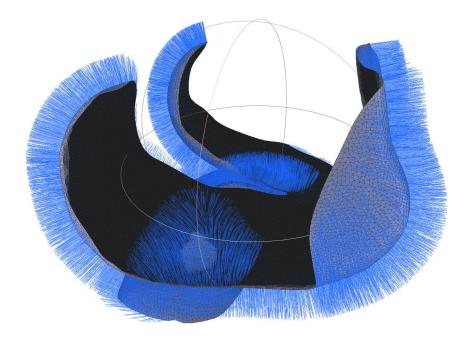
# **Detailed Description**

This component is used to represent the articular surfaces in the Smith2018ArticularContactForce component.

The **Smith2018ContactMesh** reads in a triangle mesh from the mesh\_file property (.stl, .vtp, .obj) that represents only the contact surface. This component can only be used with the **Smith2018ArticularContactForce** component to be in contact with another **Smith2018ContactMesh**.

# **Mesh Requirements**

The mesh does not need to be closed (ie water tight) and a smaller number of triangles in the mesh will lead to faster collision detection performance. The normal vectors of the mesh should be pointing outwards from the articular surface towards the opposing contact mesh. Misdirected triangle normals is a common issue when constructing new meshes.



# Variable Thickness

The **Smith2018ContactMesh** can calculate the local thickness at each triangle to generate spatially varying thickness maps. Here the optional mesh\_back\_file property must be defined using a mesh to represent the subchondral bone or back side of an implant component. The thickness is calculated by casting a normal ray from the center of each triangle in the mesh\_file mesh towards the mesh\_back\_file mesh. The thickness is clipped so that it remains within the range defined by min\_thickness and max\_thickness.

# **Scaling**

The mesh can be linearly scaled in the x,y,z directions using the scale\_factors property. When using the **ScaleTool**, these scale factors are set based on the frame set in the scale\_frame socket. It is generally advisable to scale both **Smith2018ContactMesh** meshes used as a contacting pair by the same scale factors to ensure the congruency of the articulating surfaces is not substaintially altered. For example, in a knee joint the scale\_frame socket for both the femur and tibia Smith2018ContactMeshes would be connected to the femur frame to ensure both meshes are scaled by the femur scale factors.

# Choosing the coarseness of the mesh

Because the contact force and potential energy are calculated based on the triangle areas and normals, and the derivatives of these outputs with respect to joint coordinates are commonly calculated in integrators and optimizers, the best performance will be achieved with a smooth mesh whose triangle areas are similar sized. In some extreme cases where the mesh becomes excessively coarse, the simulation slow down caused by jumps in the computed forces outweighs the speed up in collison detection gained by reducing the number of triangles in the mesh. For details on a convergence study based on triangle area see [1]. Note that the GPU implementation described in the paper is not implemented here.

# **Collison Detection**

The collision detection algorithm is described in the Smith2018ArticularContact class description. The **Smith2018ContactMesh** stores all geometric mesh data and also performs ray intersection tests with a individual mesh triangles or an Oriented Bounding Box (OBB) hierarchy. Here, a SimTK::OrientedBoundingBox is constructed for the mesh\_file geometry using code adapted from SimTK::ContactGeometry::TriangularMesh::OBBTreeNodeImpl.

#### **Constructor & Destructor Documentation**

Smith2018ContactMesh() [1/4]

```
OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::Smith2018ContactMesh()
```

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Smith2018ContactMesh() [3/4]

Smith2018ContactMesh() [4/4]

```
OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::Smith2018ContactMesh (const std::string &
                                                                                  name,
                                                                                 mesh_file,
                                                           const std::string &
                                                           const PhysicalFrame & frame,
                                                           const SimTK::Vec3 &
                                                                                 location,
                                                           const SimTK::Vec3 &
                                                                                  orientation,
                                                                                  use_variable_thickness,
                                                           hool
                                                           const std::string &
                                                                                  mesh back file,
                                                           double
                                                                                  min_thickness,
                                                           double
                                                                                  max_thickness
```

# **Member Function Documentation**

#### clone()

# Smith2018ContactMesh\* OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::clone ( ) const

inline override virtual

Create a new heap-allocated copy of the concrete object to which this Object refers.

It is up to the caller to delete the returned object when no longer needed. Every concrete object deriving from Object implements this pure virtual method automatically, via the declaration macro it invokes (e.g., <code>OpenSim\_DECLARE\_CONCRETE\_OBJECT()</code>). Note that the concrete class overrides modify the return type to be a pointer to the *concrete* object; that still overrides the base class method because the return type is covariant with (that is, derives from) Object.

Implements OpenSim::ContactGeometry.

# connectSocket\_scale\_frame()

void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::connectSocket\_scale\_frame ( const Object & object )

inline

Connect the 'scale\_frame' **Socket** to an object of type **PhysicalFrame**.

Call **finalizeConnections()** afterwards to update the socket's connectee path property. The reference to the connectee set here takes precedence over the connectee path property.

# createSimTKContactGeometry()

SimTK::ContactGeometry OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::createSimTKContactGeometry ( ) const

inline override virtual

Create a new SimTK::ContactGeometry based on this object.

Implements OpenSim::ContactGeometry.

# generateDecorations()

```
void
OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::generateDecorations ( bool const ModelDisplayHints & hints, const SimTK::State & state, SimTK::Array_< SimTK::DecorativeGeometry > & appendToThis const override virtual
```

Optional method for generating arbitrary display geometry that reflects this Component at the specified state.

This will be called once to obtain ground- and body-fixed geometry (with fixed=true), and then once per frame (with fixed=false) to generate on-the-fly geometry such as rubber band lines, force arrows, labels, or debugging aids.

Please note that there is a precondition that the state passed in to generateDecorations be realized to Stage::Position. If your component can visualize quantities realized at Velocity, Dynamics or Acceleration stages, then you must check that the stage has been realized before using/requesting stage dependent values. It is forbidden to realize the model to a higher stage within generateDecorations, because this can trigger costly side- effects such as evaluating all model forces even when performing a purely kinematic study.

If you override this method, be sure to invoke the base class method first, using code like this:

```
void MyComponent::generateDecorations
                                                fixed.
   (bool
    const ModelDisplayHints&
                                                hints,
    const SimTK::State&
                                                state
    SimTK::Array <SimTK::DecorativeGeometry>&
                                                appendToThis) const
    // invoke parent class method
    Super::generateDecorations(fixed,hints,state,appendToThis);
    // ... your code goes here
    // can render velocity dependent quanities if stage is Velocity or higher
    if(state.getSystemStage() >= Stage::Velocity) {
        // draw velocity vector for model COM
    // can render computed forces if stage is Dynamics or higher
    if(state.getSystemStage() >= Stage::Dynamics) {
        // change the length of a force arrow based on the force in N
}
```

#### **Parameters**

[in] **fixed**If true, generate only geometry that is fixed to a **PhysicalFrame**, configuration, and velocity. Otherwise generate only such dependent geometry.

[in] **hints**See documentation for **ModelDisplayHints**: you may want to alter the geometry you generate depending on what you

[in] hints See documentation for ModelDisplayHints; you may want to alter the geometry you generate depending on what you find there. For example, you can determine whether the user wants to see debug geometry.

The State for which geometry should be produced. See below for more information.

[in,out] appendToThis Array to which generated geometry should be appended via the push\_back() method.

When called with fixed=true only modeling options and parameters (Instance variables) should affect geometry; time, position, and velocity should not. In that case **OpenSim** will already have realized the state through Instance stage. When called with fixed=false, you may consult any relevant value in state. However, to avoid unnecessary computation, **OpenSim** guarantees only that state will have been realized through Position stage; if you need anything higher than that (reaction forces, for example) you should make sure the state is realized through Acceleration stage.

Reimplemented from OpenSim::Component.

#### get\_elastic\_modulus()

```
const double& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::get_elastic_modulus ( ) const

Get the value of the elastic_modulus property.
```

#### get\_max\_thickness()

```
const double& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::get_max_thickness ( ) const

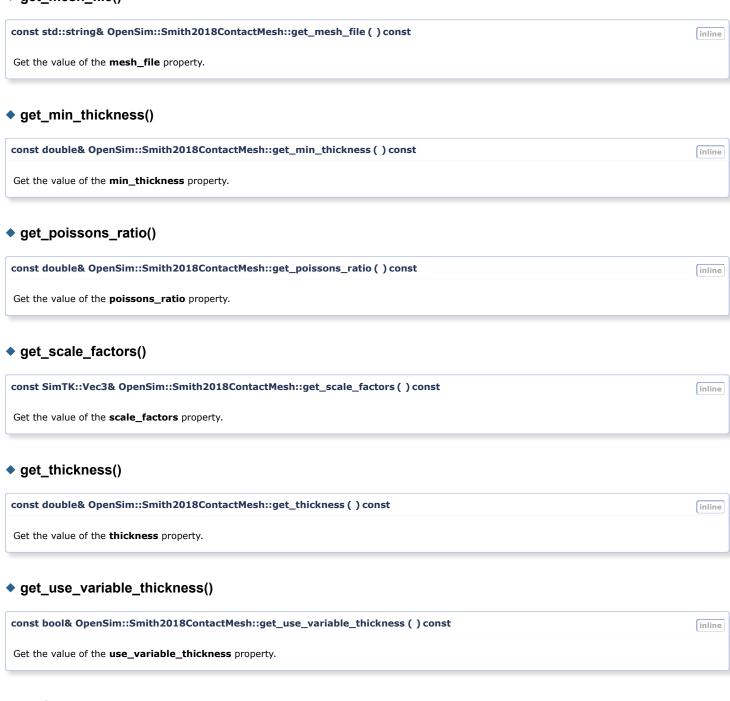
Get the value of the max_thickness property.
```

## get\_mesh\_back\_file()

```
const std::string& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::get_mesh_back_file ( ) const

Get the value of the mesh_back_file property.
```

## get\_mesh\_file()



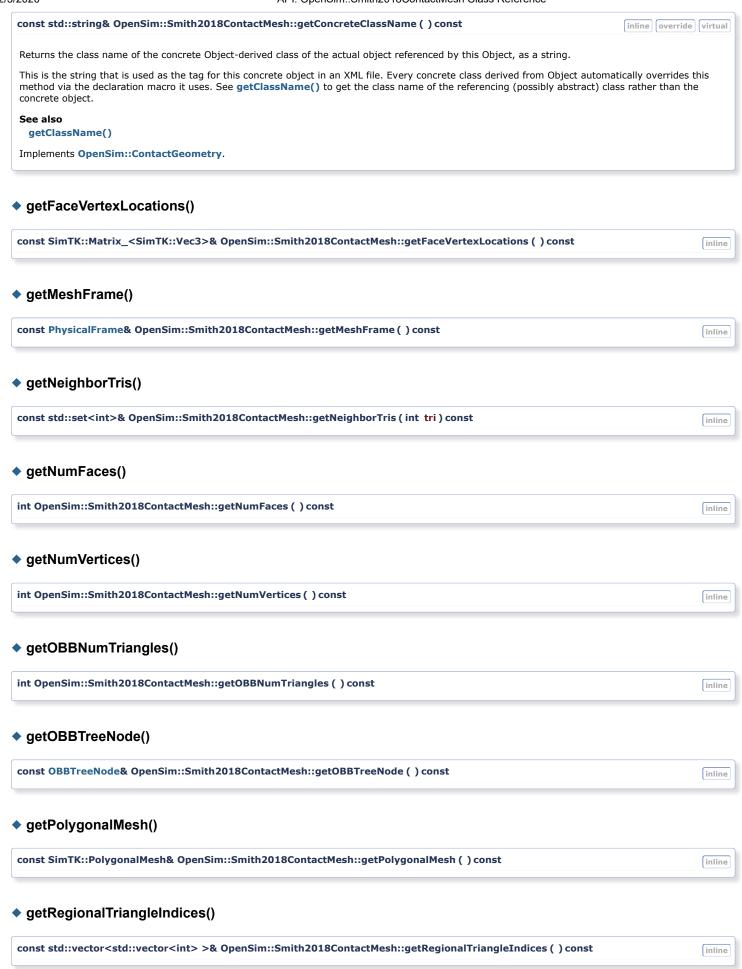
## getClassName()

static const std::string& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getClassName()

This returns "Smith2018ContactMesh".

See getConcreteClassName() if you want the class name of the underlying concrete object instead.

# getConcreteClassName()



## getTriangleAreas()

const SimTK::Vector& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getTriangleAreas ( ) const inline getTriangleCenters() const SimTK::Vector\_<SimTK::Vec3>& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getTriangleCenters ( ) const inline getTriangleElasticModulus() const double& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getTriangleElasticModulus ( int i ) const inline getTriangleNormals() const SimTK::Vector\_<SimTK::UnitVec3>& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getTriangleNormals ( ) const inline getTrianglePoissonsRatio() const double& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getTrianglePoissonsRatio(int i)const inline getTriangleThickness() const double& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getTriangleThickness ( int i ) const inline getVertexLocations() const SimTK::Vector\_<SimTK::Vec3>& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::getVertexLocations ( ) const inline rayIntersectMesh() bool OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::rayIntersectMesh ( const SimTK::Vec3 & origin, const SimTK::UnitVec3 & direction, min\_proximity, const double & const double & max\_proximity, int & SimTK::Vec3 intersection\_point, SimTK::Real & distance const

# safeDownCast()

static Smith2018ContactMesh\* OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::safeDownCast ( OpenSim::Object \* obj )

For use in MATLAB and Python to access the concrete class.

Example: c0bj = Smith2018ContactMesh.safeDownCast(obj). This is equivalent to dynamic\_cast<Smith2018ContactMesh\*>(obj) in C++.

## set\_elastic\_modulus()

void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_elastic\_modulus ( const double & value ) inline Set the value of the **elastic\_modulus** property. set\_max\_thickness() void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_max\_thickness ( const double & value ) inline Set the value of the max\_thickness property. set\_mesh\_back\_file() void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_mesh\_back\_file ( const std::string & value ) inline Set the value of the **mesh\_back\_file** property. set\_mesh\_file() void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_mesh\_file ( const std::string & value ) inline Set the value of the **mesh\_file** property. set\_min\_thickness() void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_min\_thickness ( const double & value ) inline Set the value of the min\_thickness property. set\_poissons\_ratio() void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_poissons\_ratio ( const double & value ) inline Set the value of the poissons\_ratio property. set\_scale\_factors() void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_scale\_factors ( const SimTK::Vec3 & value ) inline Set the value of the scale\_factors property. set\_thickness() void OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::set\_thickness ( const double & value ) inline Set the value of the **thickness** property.



upd\_thickness()

double& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::upd\_thickness()

Get a writable reference to the thickness property.

# upd\_use\_variable\_thickness()

bool& OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::upd\_use\_variable\_thickness()

inline

inline

Get a writable reference to the use\_variable\_thickness property.

#### OpenSim Property, Socket, Output, Input Documentation

#### elastic\_modulus

double OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::elastic\_modulus

"Uniform Elastic Modulus value for every triangle in mesh. " "The default value is 1000000.0 Pa."

This property appears in XML files under the tag **<elastic\_modulus>**. This property was generated with the **OpenSim\_DECLARE\_PROPERTY** macro; see **Property** to learn about the property system.

#### See also

get\_elastic\_modulus(), upd\_elastic\_modulus(), set\_elastic\_modulus()

## max\_thickness

double OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::max\_thickness

"Maximum thickness threshold for elastic layer [m] when calculating " "cartilage thickness for each triangle."

This property appears in XML files under the tag <max\_thickness>. This property was generated with the OpenSim\_DECLARE\_OPTIONAL\_PROPERTY macro; see Property to learn about the property system.

See also

get\_max\_thickness(), upd\_max\_thickness(), set\_max\_thickness()

#### mesh\_back\_file

std::string OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::mesh\_back\_file

"Path to traingle mesh geometry file representing the backside of " "contact surface elastic layer (bone / backside of artifical " "component) mesh geometry file (supports .obj, .stl, .vtp). "

This property appears in XML files under the tag <mesh\_back\_file>. This property was generated with the OpenSim\_DECLARE\_OPTIONAL\_PROPERTY macro; see Property to learn about the property system.

See also

get\_mesh\_back\_file(), upd\_mesh\_back\_file(), set\_mesh\_back\_file()

# mesh\_file

std::string OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::mesh\_file

"Path to triangle mesh geometry file representing the contact surface " "(supports .obj, .stl, .vtp)."

This property appears in XML files under the tag <mesh\_file>. This property was generated with the OpenSim\_DECLARE\_PROPERTY macro; see Property to learn about the property system.

See also

get\_mesh\_file(), upd\_mesh\_file(), set\_mesh\_file()

#### min\_thickness

#### double OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::min\_thickness

"Minimum thickness threshold for elastic layer [m] when calculating " "cartilage thickness for each triangle."

This property appears in XML files under the tag <min\_thickness>. This property was generated with the OpenSim\_DECLARE\_OPTIONAL\_PROPERTY macro; see Property to learn about the property system.

#### See also

get\_min\_thickness(), upd\_min\_thickness(), set\_min\_thickness()

#### poissons\_ratio

#### double OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::poissons\_ratio

"Uniform Poissons Ratio value for every triangle in mesh." "The default value is 0.5."

This property appears in XML files under the tag <poissons\_ratio>. This property was generated with the OpenSim\_DECLARE\_PROPERTY macro; see Property to learn about the property system.

#### See also

get\_poissons\_ratio(), upd\_poissons\_ratio(), set\_poissons\_ratio()

## scale\_factors

#### SimTK::Vec3 OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::scale\_factors

"[x,y,z] scale factors applied to vertex locations of the mesh\_file " "and mesh\_back\_file meshes."

This property appears in XML files under the tag **<scale\_factors>**. This property was generated with the **OpenSim\_DECLARE\_PROPERTY** macro; see **Property** to learn about the property system.

#### See also

get\_scale\_factors(), upd\_scale\_factors(), set\_scale\_factors()

#### scale\_frame

#### PhysicalFrame OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::scale\_frame

"When using the ScaleTool, the scale factors from this frame will be " "used to scale the mesh."

In an XML file, you can set this **Socket**'s connectee path via the **<socket\_scale\_frame >** element. This socket was generated with the **OpenSim\_DECLARE\_SOCKET** macro; see **AbstractSocket** for more information.

### See also

connectSocket\_scale\_frame()

### thickness

#### double OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::thickness

"Uniform thickness of elastic layer for entire mesh. " "The default value is 0.005 meters"

This property appears in XML files under the tag <thickness>. This property was generated with the OpenSim\_DECLARE\_PROPERTY macro; see Property to learn about the property system.

#### See also

get\_thickness(), upd\_thickness(), set\_thickness()

# use\_variable\_thickness

## bool OpenSim::Smith2018ContactMesh::use\_variable\_thickness

"Compute the local thickness for each triangle in mesh\_file by " "calculating the distance along a normal ray cast from the center of " "each triangle in the mesh\_file to intersection with the " "mesh\_back\_file. If use\_variable\_thickness is true, mesh\_back\_file " "must be defined and the 'thickness' property value is not used." "The Default value is false."

This property appears in XML files under the tag **<use\_variable\_thickness>**. This property was generated with the **OpenSim\_DECLARE\_PROPERTY** macro; see **Property** to learn about the property system.

#### See also

get\_use\_variable\_thickness(), upd\_use\_variable\_thickness(), set\_use\_variable\_thickness()

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