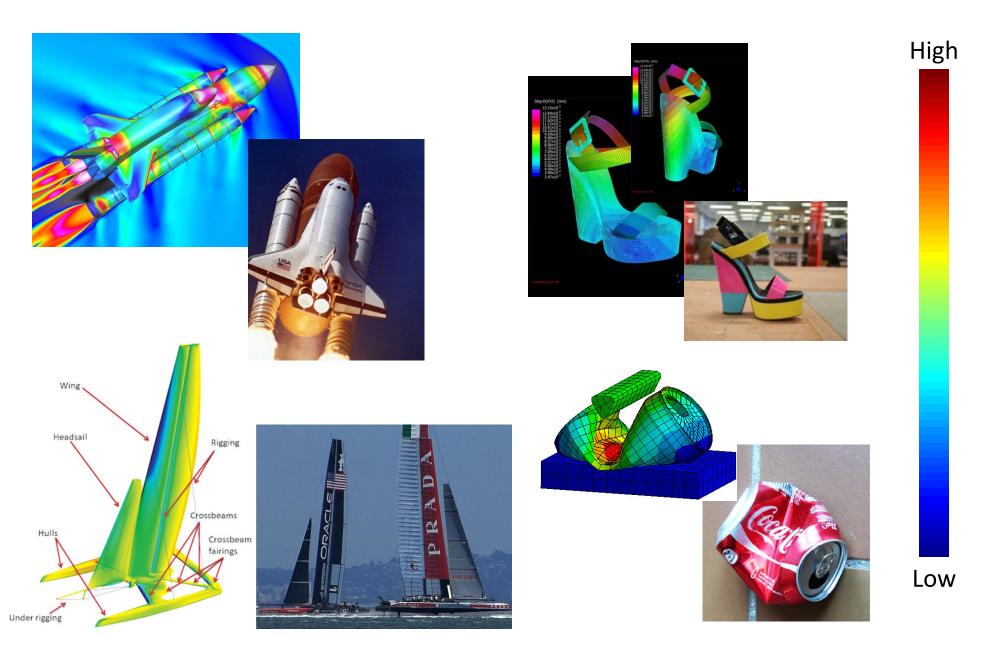
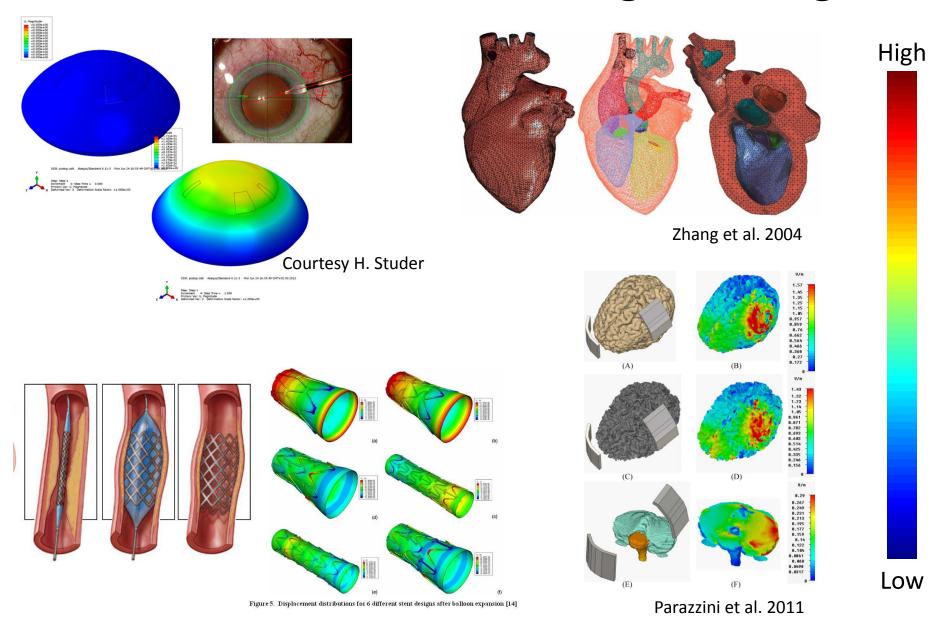
Part 1

Examples of FEM

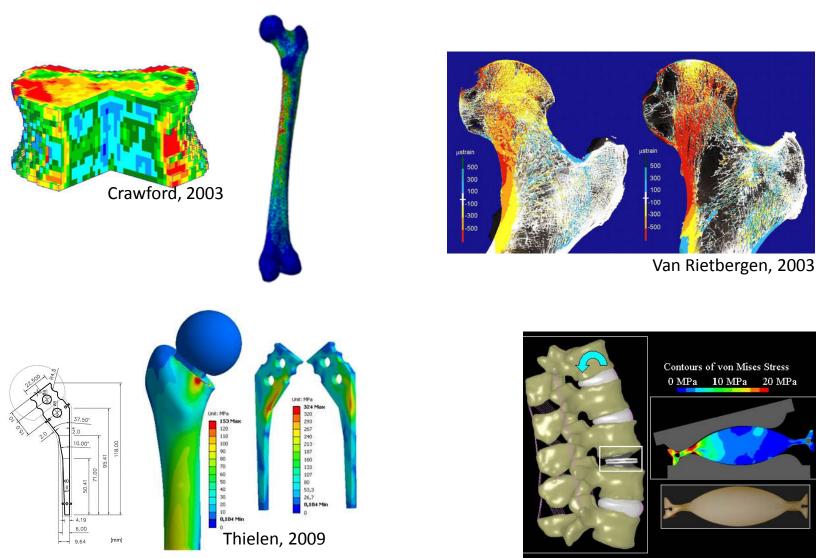
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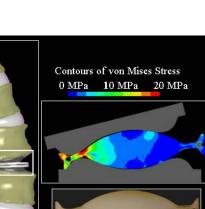
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Finite Element in Bones



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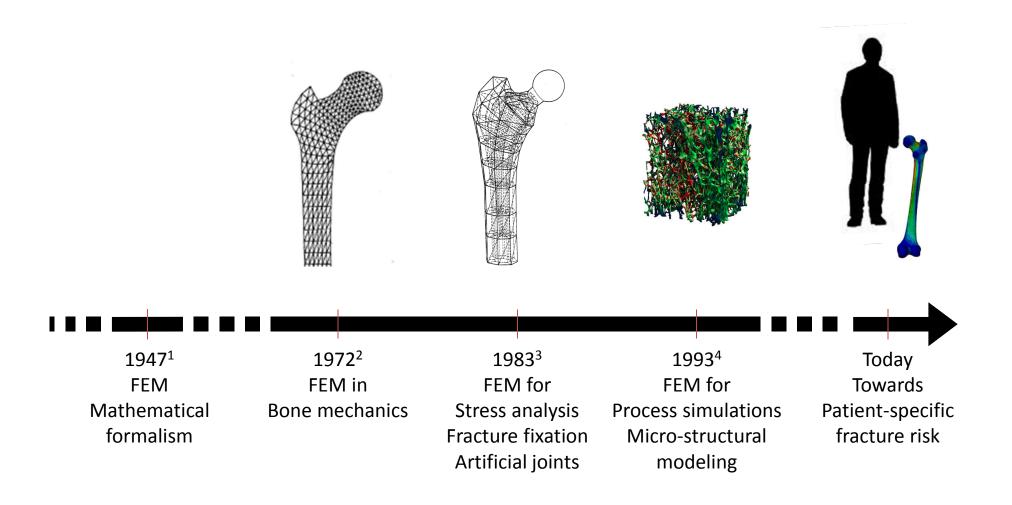


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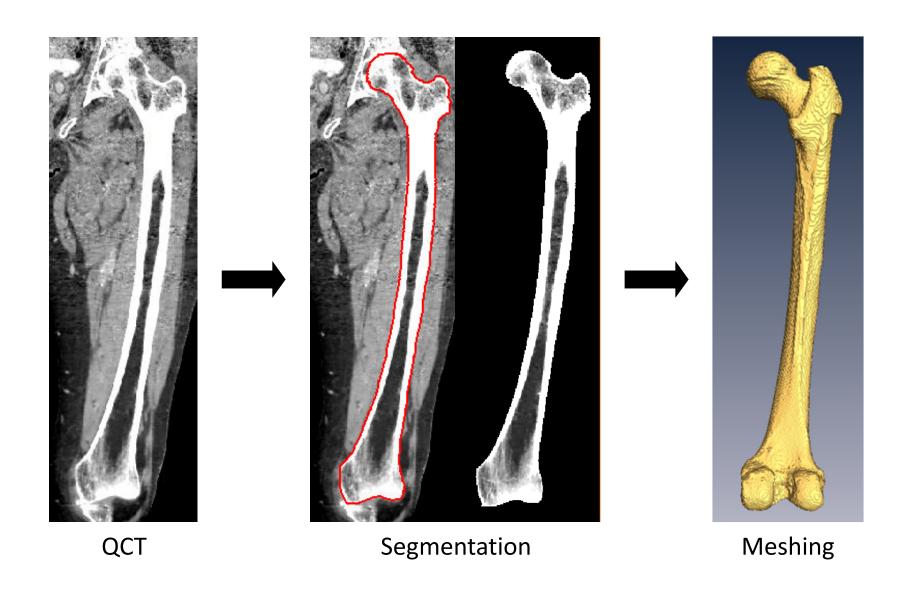
FEM in bones

Timeline of FE in bone studies

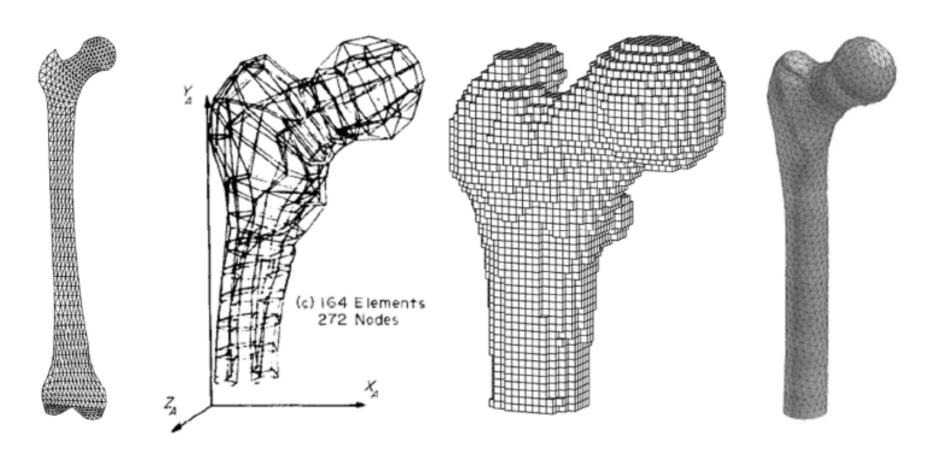


¹http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Olgierd_Zienkiewicz ²Brekelmans W. et al. Acta orthop scand. 43 (5), 301–17. 1972.

Geometry (1/2)



Geometry (2/2)



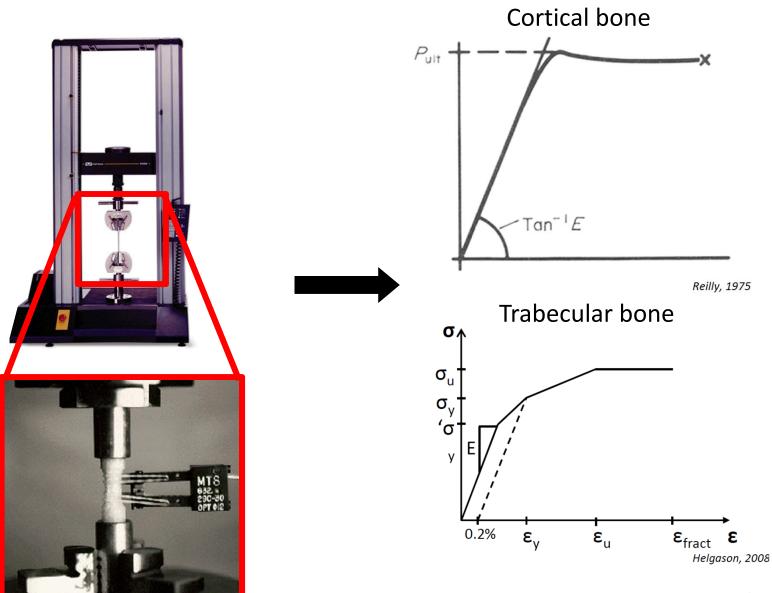
Triangular surface mesh [Brekelmans , 1972]

Eight-node volumetric mesh [Villiappan, 1977]

Voxel-based mesh
[Keyak, 1990]

Tetrahedric mesh
[Viceconti, 1990]

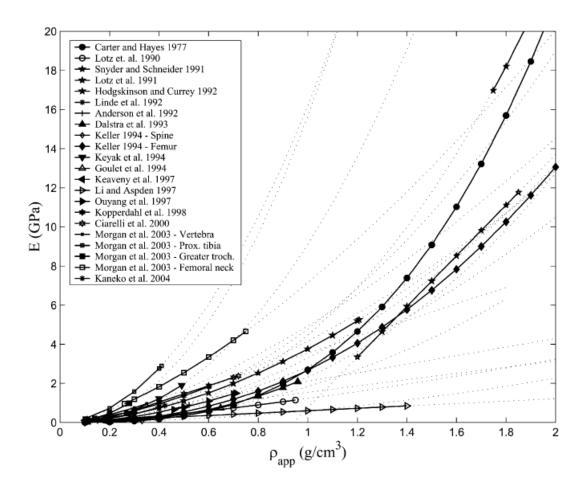
Material properties (1/4)



Dependence on age, sex, ethnicity

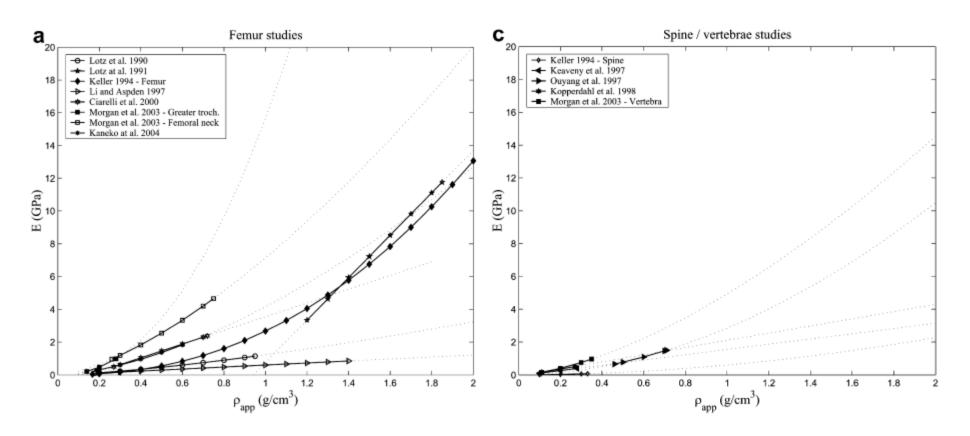
Material properties (2/4)

- Density Young's modulus
 - Power laws: $E = a \rho^b$



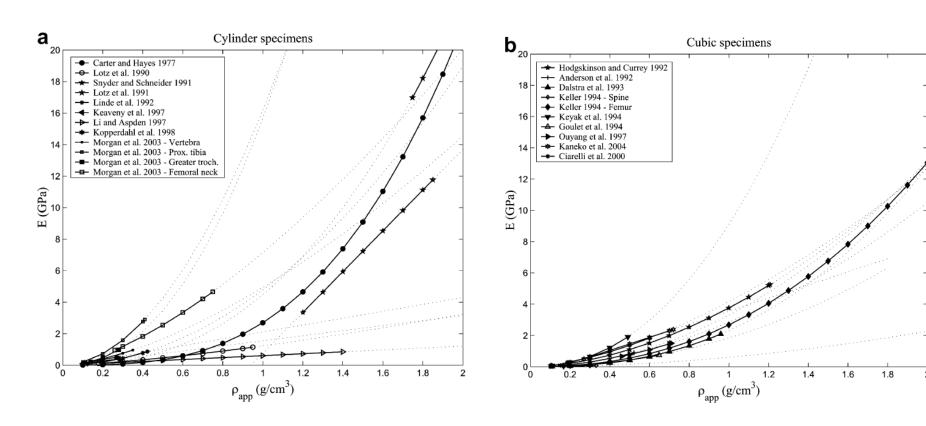
Material properties (3/4)

- Density Young's modulus
 - Dependence on anatomical site



2. Material properties (4/4)

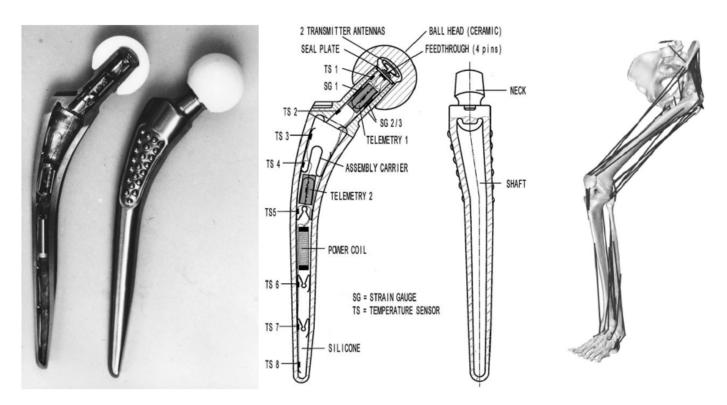
- Density Young's modulus
 - Dependence on experimental setup



Boundary conditions



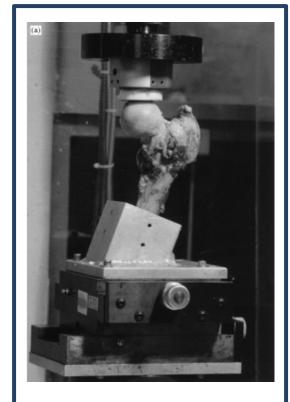
Gait analysis [Heller,2001]



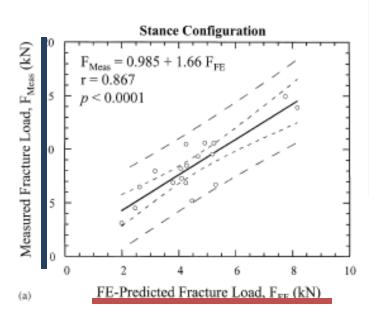
Instrumented hip implants [Bergmann, 2008]

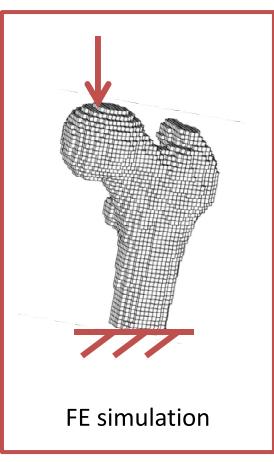
Simulation of interaction between bones and muscles [Heller, 2001]

Validation - FE



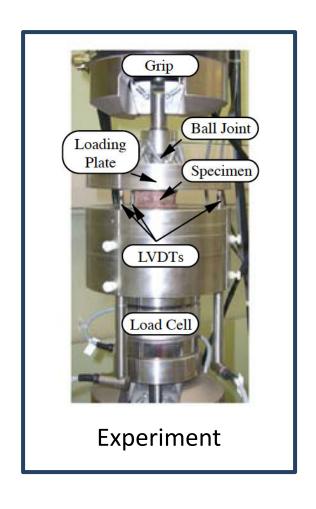
Experiment

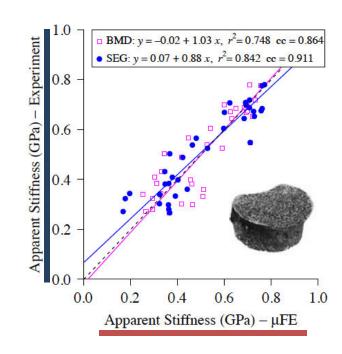


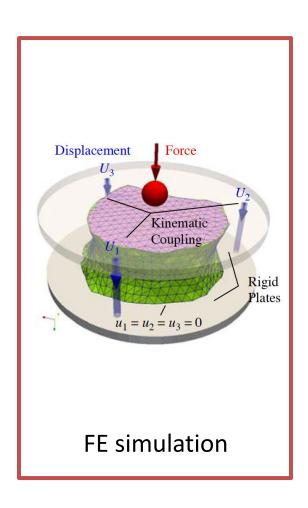


[Keyak, 1998]

Validation - μFE







Conclusive summary

- FEM is a tool for the investigation of mechanical behavior of bone
 - Simulations of reality
 - Repeatability with different boundary conditions
- Applications of FEM
 - Bone mechanical behavior
 - Fracture dynamics and fracture risk
 - Monitor effect of treatments / drug study design