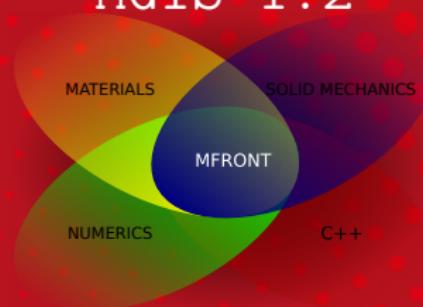


# Overview of TFEL-3.4 and MGIS-1.2



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## MFront User Meeting

25/11/2020

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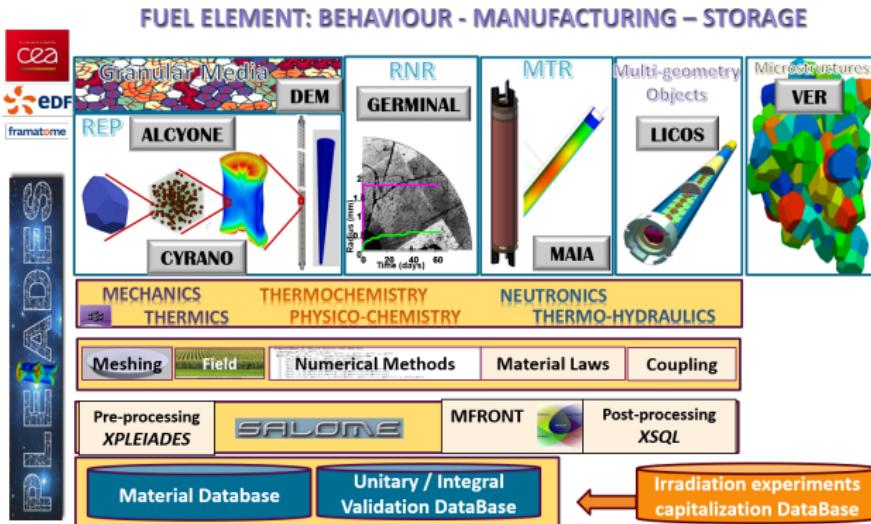
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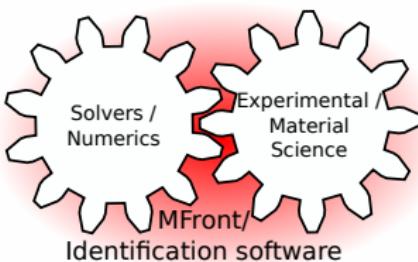
## A very coarse overview of MFront and MGIS

- ▶ For a more complete overview of MFront and MGIS, see :
  - Introducing the open-source mfront code generator : Application to mechanical behaviours and material knowledge management within the PLEIADES fuel element modelling platform. Computers & Mathematics with Applications. Available from : <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0898122115003132>
  - The MFrontGenericInterfaceSupport project. Journal of Open Source Software. 2020. Available from :  
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  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nldf7IEtnpM>

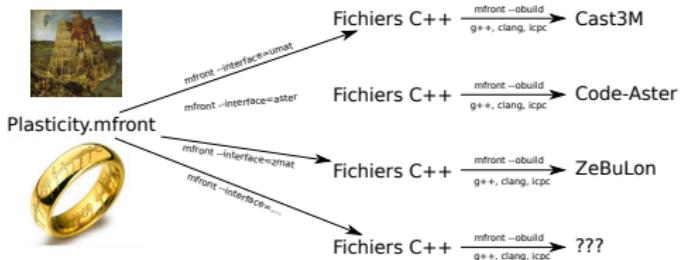
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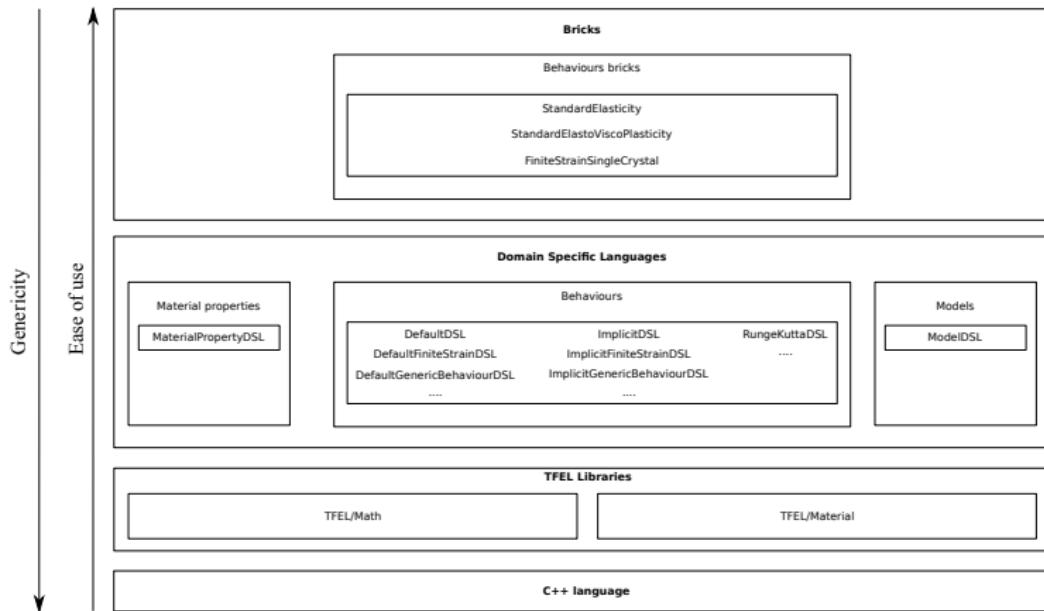
- ▶ A wide range of materials (ceramics, metals, composites).
- ▶ A wide range of mechanical phenomena and behaviours.
  - Creep, swelling, irradiation effects, phase transitions, etc..
- ▶ A wide range of mechanical loadings.



- ▶ The need to guarantee the quality of engineering studies has never been so high and is constantly growing.
- ▶ Every part of a study must be covered by strict AQ procedures :
  - The finite element solver on the one hand (see the `code_aster` documentation and unit tests).
  - The material knowledge (material properties, **mechanical behaviours**) and experimental data on the other hand.
- ▶ **One must guarantee a complete consistency from experimental data to engineering studies**
- ▶ See also the MFrontGallery project



- ▶ MFront is a code generation tool dedicated to material knowledge (material properties, mechanical behaviours, point-wise models) :
  - Support for small and finite strain behaviours, cohesive zone models, **generalised behaviours** (non local and or multiphysics).
- ▶ Main goals :
  - Numerical efficiency (see various benchmarks on the website).
  - Portability (Cast3M, Cyrano, code\_aster, Europlexus, TMFTT, AMITEX\_FFTP, Abaqus, CalculiX, MTest).
  - **Ease of use** : *Longum iter est per praecepta, breve et efficax per exempla* (It's a long way by the rules, but short and efficient with examples).



- ▶ Obviously, this may be disturbing for new users. Don't forget the forum and the gallery <http://tfel.sourceforge.net/gallery.html>

# An example of the StandardElasticity-VicoPlasticity brick

```
@DSL Implicit;
@Behaviour MohrCoulomAbboSloan3;

@Epsilon 1.e-14;
@Theta 1;

@Brick StandardElastoViscoPlasticity{
    stress_potential : "Hooke" {
        young_modulus : 150.e3,
        poisson_ratio : 0.3
    },
    inelastic_flow : "Plastic" {
        criterion : "MohrCoulomb" {
            c : 3.e1,           // cohesion
            phi : 0.523598775598299, // friction angle or dilatancy angle
            lodeT : 0.506145483078356, // transition angle as defined by Abbo and Sloan
            a : 1e1             // tension cuff-off parameter
        },
        flow_criterion : "MohrCoulomb" {
            c : 3.e1,           // cohesion
            phi : 0.174532925199433, // friction angle or dilatancy angle
            lodeT : 0.506145483078356, // transition angle as defined by Abbo and Sloan
            a : 3e1             // tension cuff-off parameter
        },
        isotropic_hardening : "Linear" {R0 : "0"}
    }
};
```

- The StandardElasticityVicoPlasticity brick allows a declarative syntax using predefined components.

# An simple example with the Implicit DSL and the StandardElasticity brick

```

@DSL Implicit;
@Behaviour Norton;
@Brick StandardElasticity;

@MaterialProperty stress E;
E.setGlossaryName("YoungModulus");
@MaterialProperty real v, A, nn;
v.setGlossaryName("PoissonRatio");
A.setEntryName("NortonCoefficient");
nn.setEntryName("NortonExponent");

@StateVariable real p;
p.setGlossaryName("EquivalentViscoplasticStrain");

@Integrator{
    constexpr const auto Me = Stensor4::M();
    const auto μ = computeMu(E, v);
    const auto σe = sigmaeq(σ);
    const auto iσe = 1 / (max(σe, real(1.e-12) · E));
    const auto vp = A · pow(σe, nn);
    const auto ∂vp/∂σe = nn · vp · iσe;
    const auto n = 3 · deviator(σ) · (iσe / 2);
    // Implicit system
    fεel += Δp · n;
    fp -= vp · Δt;
    // jacobian
    ∂fεel/∂Δεel += 2 · μ · θ · dp · iσe · (Me - (n ⊗ n));
    ∂fεel/∂Δp = n;
    ∂fp/∂Δεel = -2 · μ · θ · ∂vp/∂σe · Δt · n;
} // end of @Integrator

```

- ▶ Implicit integration.
- ▶ Implicit system :

$$\begin{cases} f_{\underline{\epsilon}^{el}} = \Delta \underline{\epsilon}^{el} - \Delta \underline{\epsilon}^{to} + \Delta p \underline{n} \\ f_p = \Delta p - A \sigma_{eq}^n \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Jacobian :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial f_{\underline{\epsilon}^{el}}}{\partial \Delta \underline{\epsilon}^{el}} = \underline{I} + \frac{2 \mu \theta \Delta p}{\sigma_{eq}} (\underline{\underline{M}} - \underline{n} \otimes \underline{n}) \\ \frac{\partial f_{\underline{\epsilon}^{el}}}{\partial \Delta p} = \underline{n} \\ \frac{\partial f_p}{\partial \Delta \underline{\epsilon}^{el}} = -2 \mu \theta A n \sigma_{eq}^{n-1} \Delta t \underline{n} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ All programming and numerical details are hidden (by default).

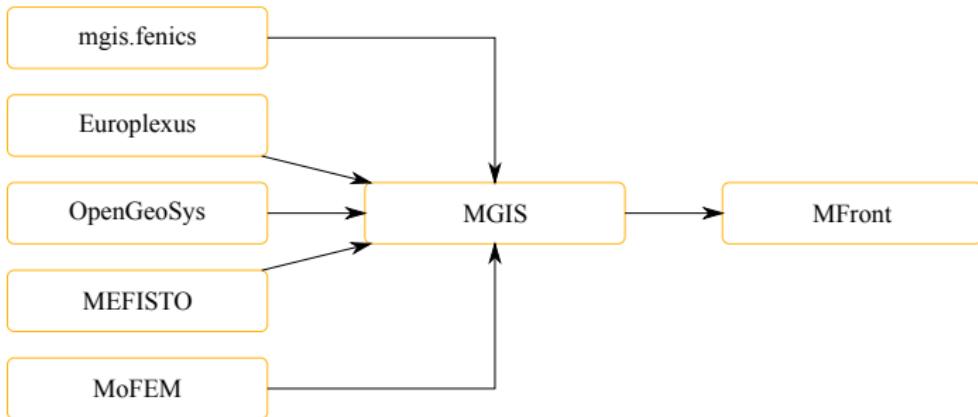
# Overview of the MFrontGenericInterfaceSupport project (MGIS)

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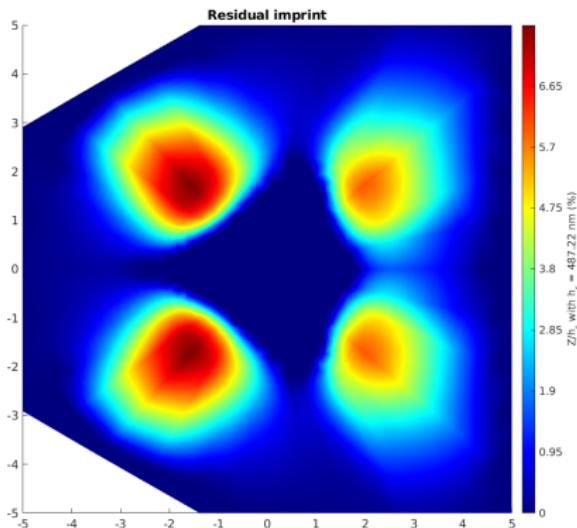
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- ▶ Written in 'C++'. Bindings exists for 'C', 'Fortran2003', 'python', 'Julia'



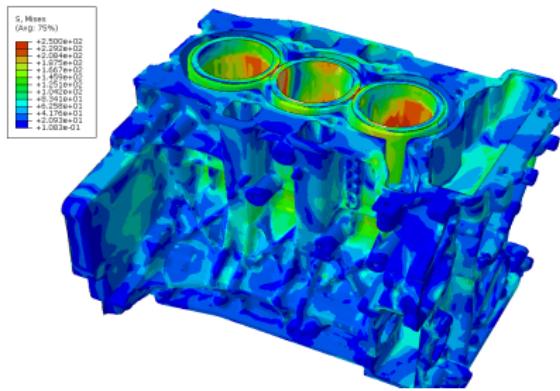
- ▶ And also XPer, Kratos Multiphysics, JuliaFEM, NairMPM, esys.escript, DUNE, HELIX (based on MFEM).
- ▶ Others are planned.

# **Some noticeable applications of MFront in 2020**

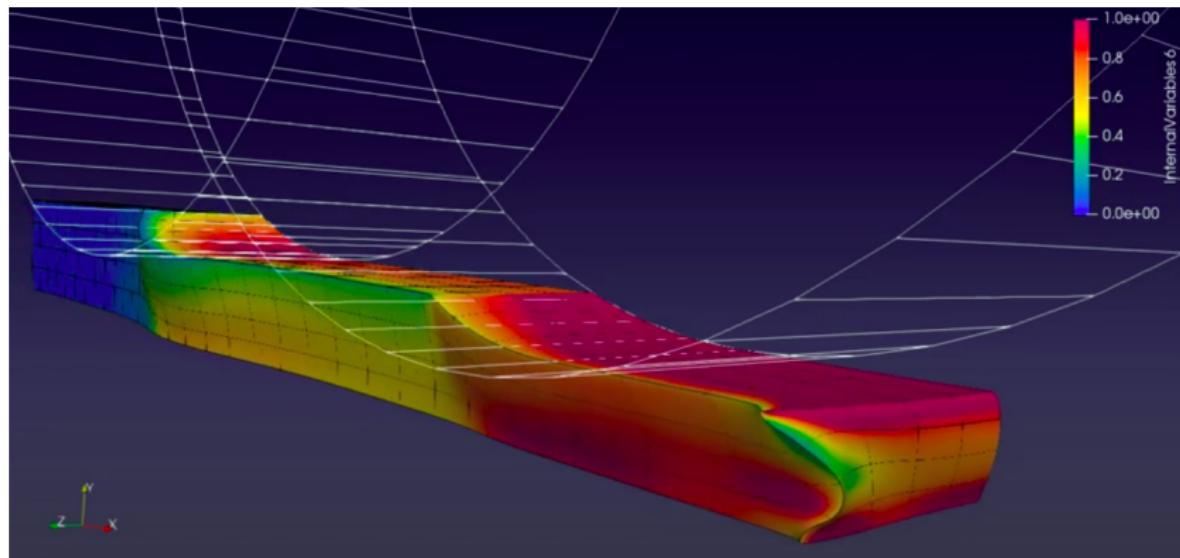


- ▶ Normalised residual topography after an indentation test on a single crystal of copper using Ansys
- ▶ Courtesy of A. Bourceret, FEMTO
- ▶ The implementation of the behaviour is described here : <http://tfel.sourceforge.net/MericCailletaudSingleCrystalPlasticity.html>

# Design of a cylinder block

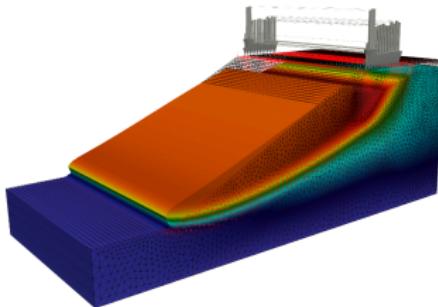
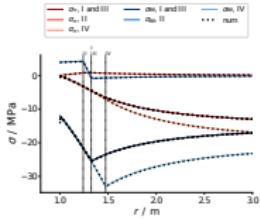
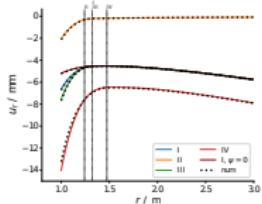


- ▶ Industrial thermomechanical design of a cylinder block with MFront and Abaqus at Groupe PSA.
- ▶ This study is one result of the PhD thesis of L. Jacquinot which provides a continuous modelling of the AlSi9Cu3Mg aluminium alloy behaviour from manufacturing to final usage (see the attached figure).
- ▶ The finite element model contains 11e6 dofs (3e6 elements) and has been solved using a 72 cores computers with Abaqus 2016.



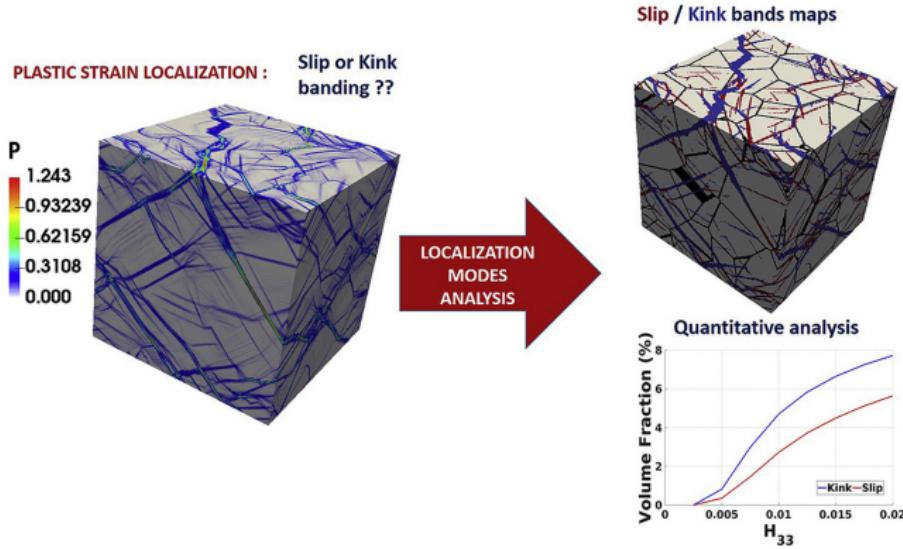
- ▶ Simulation of rolling using the innovative CEA' proto-application MEFISTO (implicit/explicit solver)
- ▶ Courtesy of O. Jamond, CEA

Slope failure analysis with phi-c-reduction in OpenGeoSys



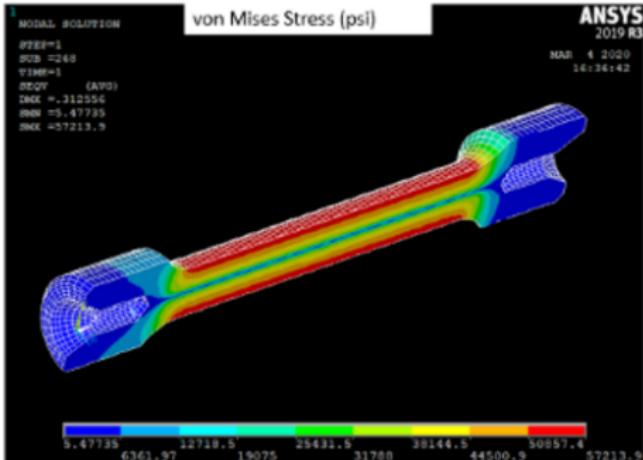
- ▶ Analytical verification (left)
- ▶ Slope failure analysis with strength reduction in OpenGeoSys by T. Deng and T. Nagel (Technische Universität Bergakademie Freiberg)
- ▶ For details, see [https://opengeosys.org/docs/benchmarks/small-deformations/slope\\_stability.pdf](https://opengeosys.org/docs/benchmarks/small-deformations/slope_stability.pdf).
- ▶ The implementation of the behaviour is described here :  
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# Intragranular localization induced by softening crystal plasticity



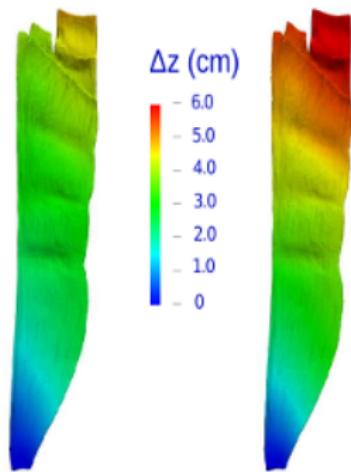
- ▶ <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1359645419303696>
- ▶ Based on the CEA' AMITEX\_FFTP solver
- ▶ Courtesy of L. Gelebart (CEA)

# Torsional twist of a bar



**Torsional twist of a  
notched bar using an  
Hosford plastic  
behaviour  
with a bilinear  
hardening law  
Alex Grishin  
Ansys MAPDL  
2020**

- ▶ Plastic behaviour based on the Hosford criterion. Implementation described here : <http://tfel.sourceforge.net/hosford.html>



**Modelling of abdominal muscles**  
**Lluís Tuset, Gerard Fortuny,**  
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**Josep M. López**  
**Code\_Aster**  
**2019**

- ▶ Hyperelastic behaviour in code\_aster

## New features in TFEL-3.4 and MGIS

- ▶ <http://tfel.sourceforge.net/release-notes-3.4.html>
  - Exhaustive list of new features and bug fixes.
- ▶ Extended features for the computations of the consistent tangent operator in implicit scheme.
- ▶ Extensions of the StandardElastoViscoPlasticity brick.
- ▶ Support of the Madnex file format :
  - <https://github.com/thelfer/madnex>
- ▶ Integration of MTest in an ICOCO component :
  - Development prior to the use of MFront behaviours in CATHARE3.

# Extended features for the computations of the consistent tangent operator in implicit scheme

```
@TangentOperatorBlock{
     $\partial f_{\epsilon^{+1}} / \partial \Delta T = \dots;$ 
     $\partial fp / \partial \Delta T = \dots;$ 
    auto  $\partial \Delta \epsilon^{+1} / \partial \Delta T = Stensor();$ 
    getIntegrationVariablesDerivatives_T( $\partial \Delta \epsilon^{+1} / \partial \Delta T$ );
    const auto  $\lambda = \dots;$ 
    const auto  $\mu = \dots;$ 
    const auto  $\partial \lambda / \partial T = \dots;$ 
    const auto  $\partial \mu / \partial T = \dots;$ 
    const auto  $De = \lambda \cdot (I_2 \otimes I_2) + 2 \cdot \mu \cdot I_4;$ 
    const auto  $\partial De / \partial T = \partial \lambda / \partial T \cdot (I_2 \otimes I_2) + 2 \cdot \partial \mu / \partial T \cdot I_4;$ 
     $\partial \sigma / \partial \Delta T = De \cdot \partial \Delta \epsilon^{+1} / \partial \Delta T + \partial De / \partial T \cdot \epsilon^{+1};$ 
}
```

```
@TangentOperatorBlock{
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    const auto  $\mu = \dots;$ 
    const auto  $De = \lambda \cdot (I_2 \otimes I_2) + 2 \cdot \mu \cdot I_4;$ 
    // computation of  $\partial \sigma / \partial \Delta T$ 
     $\partial f_{\epsilon^{+1}} / \partial \Delta T = \dots;$ 
     $\partial fp / \partial \Delta T = \dots;$ 
    const auto  $\partial \Delta \epsilon^{+1} / \partial \Delta T = -(IJ_f \epsilon^{+1} \cdot \partial f_{\epsilon^{+1}} / \partial \Delta T + IJ_f \epsilon^{+1} \cdot p \cdot \partial fp / \partial \Delta T);$ 
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}
```

$$\nabla \frac{\partial \vec{\Sigma}}{\partial \Delta g} = \frac{\partial \vec{\Sigma}}{\partial \vec{Y}|_{t+\Delta t}} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{Y}|_{t+\Delta t}}{\partial \Delta g}$$

$$\nabla F\left(\vec{Y}|_{t+\Delta t}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{Y}|_{t+\Delta t}}{\partial \Delta g} = J^{-1} \cdot \frac{\partial F}{\partial \Delta g}$$

► Two new methods :

- Using the `getIntegrationVariablesDerivatives_*` functions.
- Using the blocks of the invert of the jacobian matrix

# Extensions of the StandardElastoViscoPlasticity brick

- Extension to porous plasticity (see the talk of M. Shokeir et al.)
- New inelastic flow HarmonicSumOfNortonHoffViscoplasticFlows.  
The equivalent viscoplastic strain rate  $\dot{p}$  is defined as :

$$\frac{1}{\dot{p}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\dot{p}_i}$$

where  $\dot{p}_i$  has an expression similar to the the Norton-Hoff viscoplastic flow :

$$\dot{p}_i = A_i \left( \frac{\sigma_{eq}}{K_i} \right)^{n_i}$$

- New tutorial on how to introduce a new stress criterion :  
[https://www.researchgate.net/publication/340280305\\_Extending\\_the\\_StandardElastoViscoPlasticity\\_brick\\_with\\_a\\_new\\_stress\\_criterion](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/340280305_Extending_the_StandardElastoViscoPlasticity_brick_with_a_new_stress_criterion)
- A second tutorial on how to introduce a new porous stress criterion is to be published soon.

- ▶ <https://thelfer.github.io/mgis/web/release-notes-1.2.html>
- ▶ Support of orthotropic behaviours (based on new developments of the generic behaviour).
- ▶ The `mgis.fenics` python module by Jérémie Bleyer :
  - [https://thelfer.github.io/mgis/web/mgis\\_fenics.html](https://thelfer.github.io/mgis/web/mgis_fenics.html)
  - Various tutorials are already written which illustrates both `mgis.fenics` and some advanced features of MFront (generic behaviours).
  - See Jérémie Bleyer's talk.

## Conclusions and perspectives

- ▶ Since its release in open-source, the community of users of MFront keeps increasing.
- ▶ We are in debt to all the contributors including :
  - direct contributors (new developments, new pages of tutorials, feed-backs, proposal of improvements, benchmarks, etc.)
  - indirect contributors (package managers, developers of solvers, project managers, etc..)

- ▶ MFront is an ever improving code generation tool dedicated to material knowledge with one foot in the industrial world and one foot in the academic world.
- ▶ The development of TFEL-3.4 (this year version) has been geared around three main axes :
  - Generalised behaviours
  - Porous plasticity
  - Extension and implementation of the Madnex specifications for the storage of MFront files.
- ▶ The development of TFEL-3.4.1 is meant to finalize some developments and requested features.
  - Versions TFEL-3.4.x will provide stable upgrades to TFEL-3.4
  - Versions TFEL-3.4.x will not be limited to bug fixes
- ▶ The development of TFEL-4.0 (next year) will be driven by :
  - The port to the C++-17 standard. MFront files will be backward-compatible.
  - Homogeneisation
  - Data driven simulation?

## Gallery

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- ▶ This talk is just an *introduction* to MFront.
- ▶ The MFront gallery is good way to start :  
<http://tfel.sourceforge.net/gallery.html>
- ▶ When starting with MFront, your mileage may vary :
  - Some do rapidly very complex things on their own.
  - Some find the learning curve abrupt. Don't hesitate to ask for help!
  - The best way to start is to write a new entry in the MFront gallery.
  - From time to time, a 2-days formation is organized. Just ask!



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- ▶ Citations and illustrations
- ▶ Feed-backs, feed-backs, and feed-backs!
  - Please use the forum.
  - Enhancement suggestions (code, documentation, algorithm, etc...)
- ▶ Submit new behaviours implementation and tests.
- ▶ Submit pages to the gallery.
- ▶ Code (for the braves)



**Thank you for your attention.  
Time for discussion!**

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