ICME with ModelCenter

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Industry Trends



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• Empower Design for Manufacturing (DFM)

- Enables engineers to understand how a product is designed to function, how it is manufactured, and how it fails at the limits of performance
- ICME Integrated Computational Materials Engineering
 - "the <u>integration</u> of materials information, captured in computational tools, with engineering and product performance analysis and manufacturing process simulation" (National Research Council 2008b)



Business Challenges

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Design as Manufactured - Welding

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What Is Weld Distortion?

- "Due to local heating and cooling during welding, complex thermal stresses occur during welding; and residual stress and distortion result after welding."
- These local residual stresses build until enough force is created to permanently deform the structure.







What are the Benefits of Predicting Weld Distortion?

- Better Planning
 - Software Tools can provide accurate distortion predictions.
 - Lead to Less Weld Distortion \rightarrow Less Repair \rightarrow Less Costs

Less Costs = Opportunity to Build More Parts = Higher Profits

- Why Are Software Tools Not Used Everywhere Today?
 - Current Tools Are NOT Intuitive (easy to use), nor provide a clear path to minimize distortion.

Basically... Today's tools require a dedicated analyst to utilize.

- Unrealistic Expectation & Lack of Trust
 - If the analyst says the part should distort 1", it better distort 1"



What are the Benefits of Predicting Weld Distortion?

- What is the Answer?
 - Simplify the Models (Use the 80% Rule To Solve Majority of Problems – Not all welding and distortion problems).
 - 2. Provide a Wizard to Drive the Process
 - 3. Utilize ModelCenter to Drive Best Weld Sequence to Minimize Distortion.
 - 4. Incorporate new weld sequences into manufacturing process.
 - 5. Ensure feedback between engineering and manufacturing so process continually improves.



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Minimize Weld Distortion Through Sequence Optimization

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Simple Demonstrator

- ESI WeldPlanner simulation
 - Steel Structure with Stiffening plates
 - Weld Sequence Optimization
 - 3D Elements (Can also be done with 2D Elements for thin wall structures) Through-cuts

Access holes

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Simple Demonstrator

- ESI Weld Planner Model File Is Passed to Phoenix Integration ModelCenter
- Sensitivity Analysis Is Completed to Determine Worst Weld Paths
- Stochastic-Optimization
 Sequence is Created and Run to Minimize Distortion
- Results Provide Plot Of Outliers and Best Discovered Sequence



Weld Planner Results







Weld Planner Model File

ModelCenter Sensitivity, Stochastic-Optimization Optimal Sequence Established



Results

- 72 Permutations were created and run
- Each Permutation are Variations in Sequence
- Max Distortion is Calculated throughout each permutation.
- Results are gathered and Sorted Based On Max Distortion.
- **Final Sequence is Provided**
- New Sequence Resulted in 17% Reduction in Distortion





Weld Sequence Optimization



All 72 Permutations (Sequences) are Shown



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Design as Manufactured - Casting

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ProCAST

 Simulates the casting process

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- Given geometry, materials and a casting process, ProCAST can predict the material behavior during the steps of the casting process
- What happens if you don't like the result?
 - Utilize human expertise to manually try alternate solutions



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Model Setup

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Automating ProCAST



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Design Optimization

- Run virtual experiments
 - Run ProCAST 10's, 100's, or even 1000's of times in an automated fashion
- Trade Study Types:
 - Sensitivity
 - Design of Experiments
 - Optimization
 - Probabilistics



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Parametric Studies



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Welding Optimization

Casting Optimization





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