

CAE^{Up} - Update of CAE models on actual manufactured shapes

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Summary

- Introduction robust design concepts
- Cluodifacturing project
- CAE^{Up} Experiment
- Radial Basis Functions mesh morphing and projection
- Test case
- Conclusions







- The actual **manufactured shapes** represent the nominal geometry within a prescribed tolerance
- The effect on performances can be predicted in advance (mesh morphing and RS method are typically adopted)
- The effect on performances can be **evaluated after manufacturing** (an update of CAE models is required!)
- The same concepts can be applied to parts that passed QA (i.e. deviations within prescribed tolerances) as well to off-design parts (for instance repaired ones)
- According to the **Digital Twin** concept we want the CAE model to be individual part specific

Introduction - Robust design concepts



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• The mission of **Cloudifacturing*** is to optimize production processes and producibility using **Cloud/HPC-based** modelling and simulation. By leveraging online factory data and advanced data analytics, the project contributes to the competitiveness and resource efficiency of **manufacturing SMES**, ultimately fostering the vision of **Factories 4.0** and the **circular economy**.





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- CAE^{Up} succeeded the II call and aims to solve an important need of industrial design and optimization in a reliable and cost-effective way
- The need consists of the **verification** of the actual geometry of manufactured parts, adopting the **Digital Twin** approach
- The digital representation consists in updating the numerical models in the respect of the real shape of the manufactured products using RBF mesh morphing





Local workstation







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CAE^{Up} Experiment – Service benefits and features



- effective tool, that can be run through web, characterized by a high level of automation;
- increased accuracy in numerical prediction through CAE computing;
- reduced production costs obtained by quality assessment related to actual local shape;
- high level of security for the data.





- RBFs are a mathematical tool capable to **interpolate** in a generic point in the space a function **known** in a discrete set of points (**source points**).
- The interpolating function is composed by a radial basis and by a polynomial: x_{k_1}





- If evaluated on the source points, the interpolating function gives exactly the input values: $s(x_{k_i}) = g_i$ $h(x_{k_i}) = 0$ $1 \le i \le N$
- The RBF problem (evaluation of coefficients γ and β) is associated to the solution of the linear system, in which M is the interpolation matrix, P is a constraint matrix, g is the vector of known values on the source points:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M} & \mathbf{P} \\ \mathbf{P}^{\mathrm{T}} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\gamma} \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{g} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \quad M_{ij} = \varphi \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}_{k_i} - \boldsymbol{x}_{k_j} \end{pmatrix} \quad 1 \le i, j \le N \quad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{k_1} & y_{k_1} & z_{k_1} \\ 1 & x_{k_2} & y_{k_2} & z_{k_2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{k_N} & y_{k_N} & z_{k_N} \end{bmatrix}$$

RBF Background



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• Once solved the RBF problem each displacement component is interpolated:

$$\begin{cases} s_x(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i^x \varphi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{k_i}) + \beta_1^x + \beta_2^x x + \beta_3^x y + \beta_4^x z \\ s_y(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i^y \varphi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{k_i}) + \beta_1^y + \beta_2^y x + \beta_3^y y + \beta_4^y z \\ s_z(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i^z \varphi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{k_i}) + \beta_1^z + \beta_2^z x + \beta_3^z y + \beta_4^z z \end{cases}$$

• Several different radial function (kernel) can be employed:

RBF	φ(r)	RBF	φ(r)	Marco Evan
Spline type (Rn)	r ⁿ , n odd	Inverse multiquadratic (IMQ)	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+r^2}}$	Fast Basis for F
Thin plate spline	r ⁿ log(r) <i>n even</i>	Inverse quadratic (IQ)	$\frac{1}{1+r^2}$	Арр
Multiquadratic (MQ)	$\sqrt{1+r^2}$	Gaussian (GS)	e^{-r^2}	



• Let's consider the RBF of a scalar field (cubic radial function)

$$s(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \gamma_i \left(\sqrt{(x - x_{s_i})^2 + (y - y_{s_i})^2 + (z - z_{s_i})^2} \right)^3 + h(\mathbf{x})$$

• It can be differentiated in closed form

$$\frac{\partial s(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x} = 3 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \gamma_i \left(x - x_{s_i} \right) \sqrt{\left(x - x_{s_i} \right)^2 + \left(y - y_{s_i} \right)^2 + \left(z - z_{s_i} \right)^2} + \beta_1$$

$$\frac{\partial s(\mathbf{x})}{\partial y} = 3 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \gamma_i \left(y - y_{s_i} \right) \sqrt{\left(x - x_{s_i} \right)^2 + \left(y - y_{s_i} \right)^2 + \left(z - z_{s_i} \right)^2} + \beta_2$$

$$\frac{\partial s(\mathbf{x})}{\partial z} = 3 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \gamma_i \left(z - z_{s_i} \right) \sqrt{\left(x - x_{s_i} \right)^2 + \left(y - y_{s_i} \right)^2 + \left(z - z_{s_i} \right)^2} + \beta_3$$



• The analytic gradient

$$\nabla s(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial s(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial s(\mathbf{x})}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial s(\mathbf{x})}{\partial z} \end{cases}^T$$

• can be used to project a point on iso-surfaces of the scalar field

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \frac{s(\mathbf{x}_k)}{\|\nabla s(\mathbf{x}_k)\|^2} \nabla s(\mathbf{x}_k)$$



- **Source** points of the RBF are defined:
 - On centroids (f = 0)
 - On inner offset points (f = -1)
 - On outer offset points (f = 1)
- The gradient projects onto the 0 iso-surface
- Offset distance (uniform along the normal direction) should be tuned to avoid clash of offset points







Test case – baseline stress





Test case – shape deviation



- The example examines the effects of manufacturing errors on a simplified **turbine blade** model
- A scan of the manufactured shape was not available and so a synthetic 3d scanned shape was generated by the application of a variable pressure field on the pressure side fillet and then by updating the shape according to local stress (BGM). A **maximum deviation of 0.4 mm** was applied.
- The shape perturbation was created adopting a fictitious loading condition (root clamped + constant pressure on the airfoil surface)





- A colour map is used to show the **deviation** between the two geometries
- The largest differences are in the fillet area, and the **maximum deviation** values are 0.38 mm for the inside area and 0.28 mm for the outside area



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Results

- The **morphed mesh** matches almost perfectly the target model
- The distance of almost all the sample points of the morphed body from the target one is **less than 0.01mm**
- The measured difference between the two geometries is contained within an interval of 0.03mm, that means less than 8% of the manufacturing tolerance





Results



 The numerical solution shows a little increase of the maximum equivalent stress that changes from 109 MPa to 111 MPa approximately, namely below 2% in absolute terms



Results



 To test the goodness of the mesh morphing process, it was also made a comparison between element quality of the original mesh and the morphed mesh





- The adoption of the described procedure, based on the use of RBF mesh morphing, was showcased using a test case of a simplified blade
- Surface projecting technique based on the use of RBF implicit surface confirmed to guarantee high accuracy and flexibility in tackling geometrical reconstruction problems providing the capability to significantly reduce the effort if compared to a model reconstruction procedure adopting CAD systems.
- The workflow today demonstrated for **structural (FEA)** example is adopted for **multi-physics simulation** (including CFD) and the service of CAE Up is designed to accept different mesh format to accomadate multiple physics



Thank you!

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