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FY14 K-Solution Update

AFGROW Workshop



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Overview of FY14 Activities



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- **Evaluation of new HPC computer**
- **New *K*-solutions**
- **Related work in *K* solutions**
- **Discussion**



EVALUATION OF NEW HPC COMPUTER



Evaluation of New HPC Computer



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- **New HPC Computers 2014: Armstrong and Shepard (sister systems)**
 - **Cray XC30 with 30,144 compute cores, 124 Xeon Phi nodes, (and on Armstrong 32 NVIDIA K40 nodes). Peak performance : $0.75 \cdot 10^{15}$ FLOPs (each system)**



- **Today's HPC Computer used for calculation of FY14 K-factors: Garnet**
 - **Cray XE6 with 150,912 compute cores. Peak performance: $1.50 \cdot 10^{15}$ FLOPs**
Example: S Fawaz used Garnet to execute many single 5000 core jobs (>200 crack configurations simultaneously) on Garnet when deriving K-factors FY14.
 - **Garnet will be de-commissioned 2015**





Evaluation of New HPC Computers (cont'd)



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- **Börje Andersson (PI) participated as a Pioneer User and evaluator of the Armstrong/Shepard system**
 - **Two software were tested on Armstrong**
 - **#1: STRIPE (FE-code)**
 - “On Armstrong we have in the pioneering period measured the highest I/O speeds and highest TFLOP-speeds ever seen on any HPC hardware running STRIPE”.
 - Able to solve problems of size a few hundred-million DOF problems *in-core, 25%-50% faster than out-of-core* (first tests – can probably be improved by 2x or 3x)
 - Was able to port from Garnet (Cray XE6) in less than 1 hour
 - **#2: BABEL (multi-level damage assessment, the system is used to derive the FY14 K_I – solutions)**



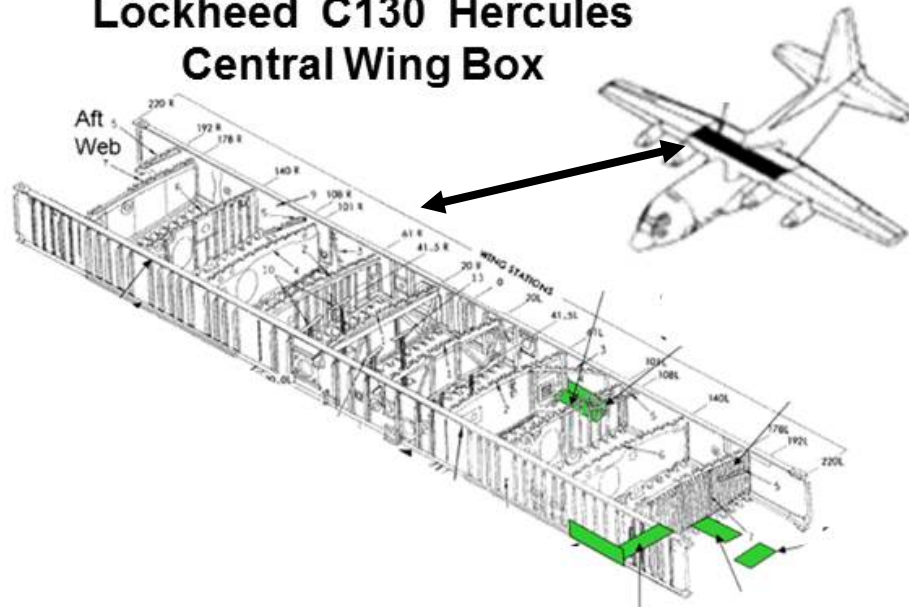
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STRIPE Large scale example



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Lockheed C130 Hercules Central Wing Box



Generic CWB Mesh:

L=10m, 20 frames, 60 stringers, 25k rivets
modelled as 3D objects

FE-Mesh: 7M HEX-elements

Model sizes: 0.6 GDOF's ($p=5$ elements)





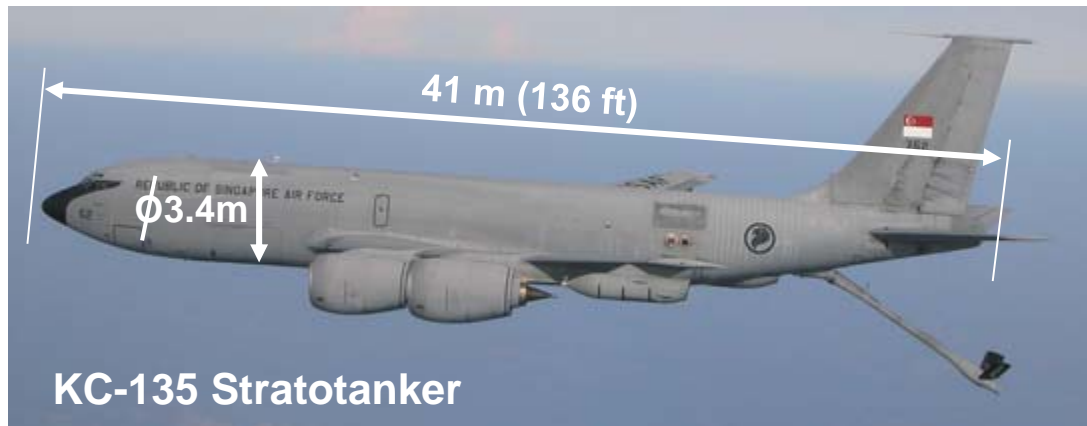
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The largest STRIPE benchmark case



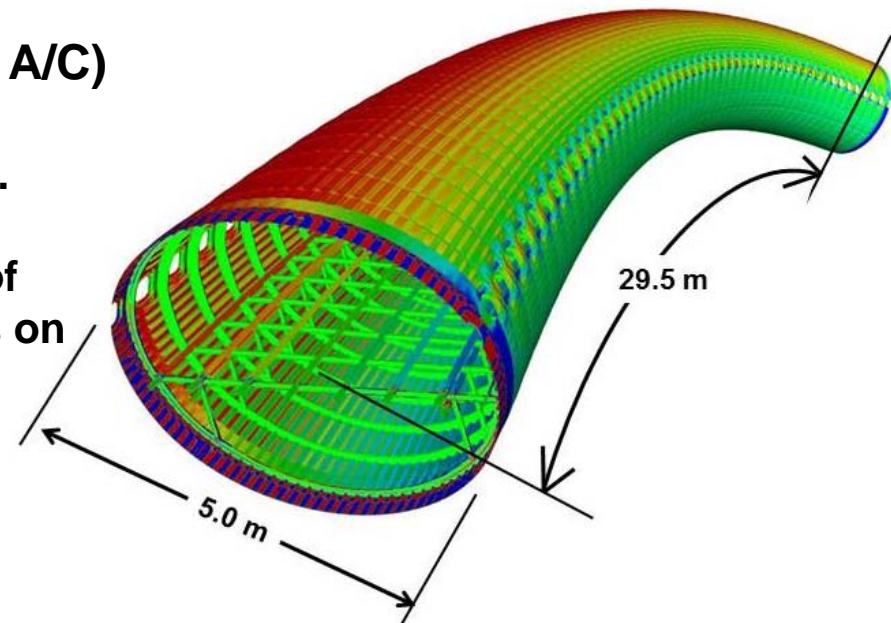
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Model Scenario: Stress, fatigue and residual strength analysis of full A/C



Generic FE-model of fuselage (civil A/C)

Mesh has 40 million HEX finite elements.
Element size 4mm x 4mm x thickness.
The model having 2.02 billion degrees of freedom was solved (STRIPE) in 3 hours on Shepard system using 21600 cores in a single run.





Evaluation of New HPC Computers (cont'd)

Large scale models



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HPC-Hardware	Structure	No of HEX finite elements/ p -level	Problem Size (millions of unknowns)	Computational Nodes/Cores	Wall Time (hr)
Armstrong	Wingbox	7M $p=5$	607	400/9600	3
<i>Hawk (2009)</i>	<i>Wingbox</i>	<i>7M</i> <i>$p=7$</i>	<i>1381</i>	<i>2/1024</i>	<i>287</i>
Armstrong	Fuselage	15M $p=4$	1661	400/9600	6
Armstrong	Fuselage	40M $p=2$	2024	900/21600	3



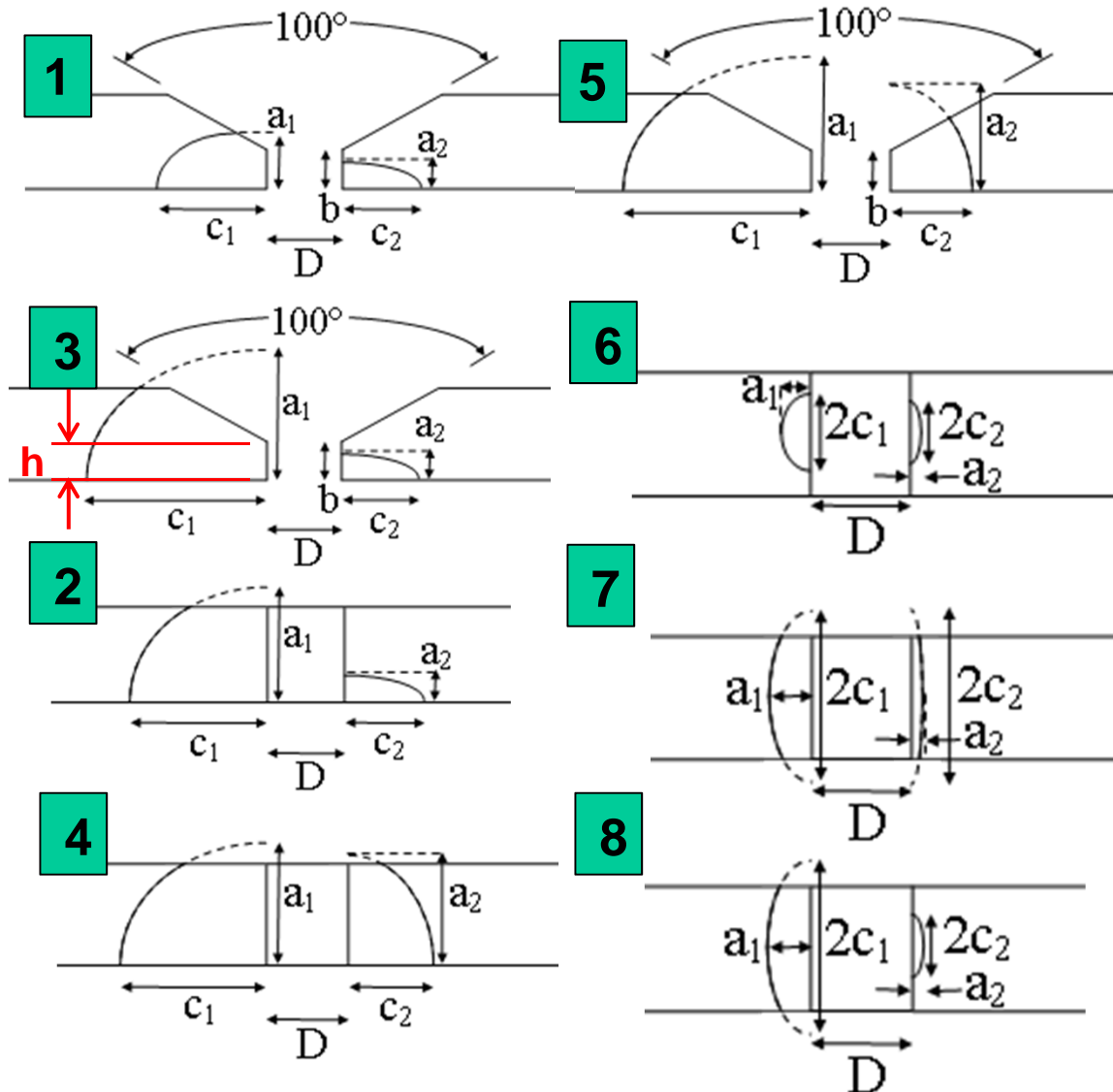
NEW K-SOLUTIONS



Plate *K*-Solutions Parameter Values



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Totally ≈ 20 M solutions

Parameter values:

- $0.075 < R/t < 3$, 8 values
- $0.1 \leq a/c \leq 10$, 25 values
- $0.1 \leq a/t \leq 0.99$, 11 values
- $1.05 \leq a/t \leq 10$, 7 values
- $0.05 \leq b/t \leq 0.75$, 4 values



New K-Solutions



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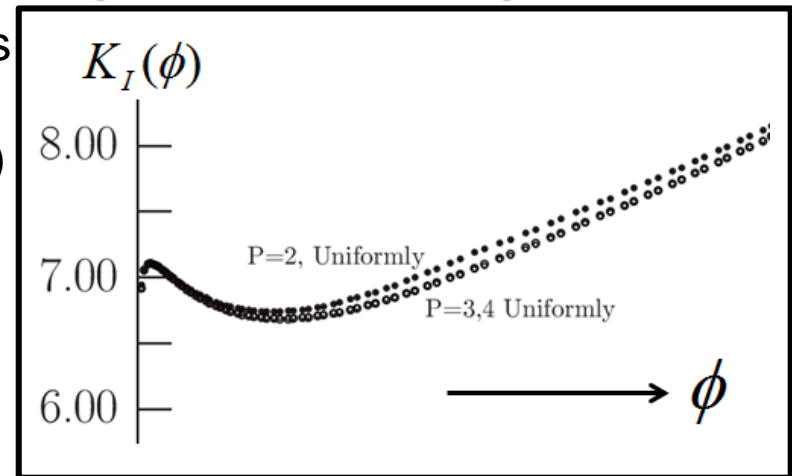
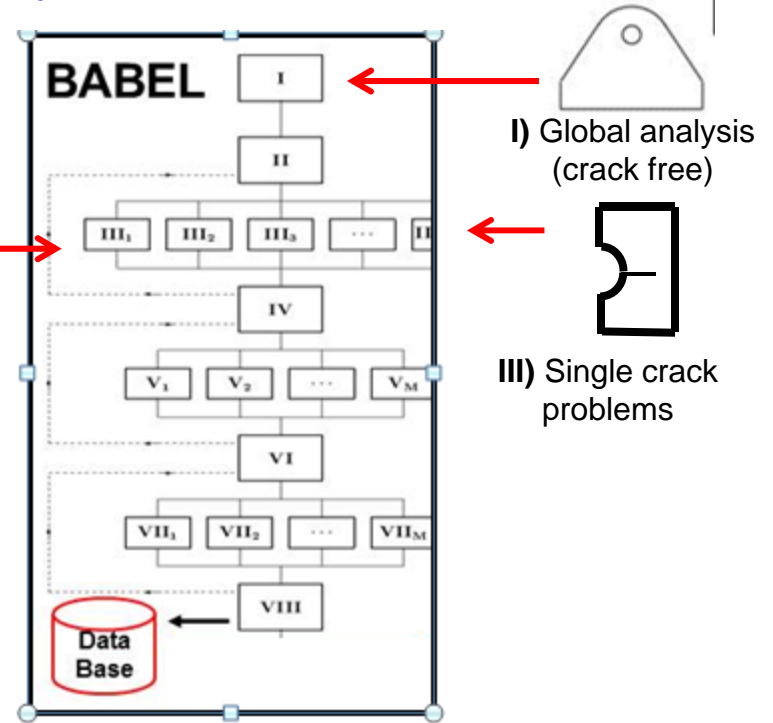
- Priority order for FY14 was solution cases 2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, and 7
- Solutions, 2,4,6 8 and 7 have been derived (using BABEL+STRIPE) for the parameter space shown on previous slide and are currently being checked in several ways described below
- The mesh generator for cracks intersecting with the conical surface of the countersunk hole had some flaws for extreme a/c and is currently being rewritten
- **All solutions in the table will have been verified during 2014.**

Case	Crack configuration
1	
3	
5	
2	
4	
6	
7	
8	

How were solutions checked?

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- The strategy selected for verification is based on the fact that the about 10^{12} possible crack scenarios are built up by a **3-4 thousand unique single cracks** of quarter- or semi-elliptical shape located in the basic domains considered.
- Each of the 3-4 thousand solutions are analysed with T/Mb loading. The hp -version of the finite element method and so called advanced methods for K -evaluation are used which gives exponentially fast convergence to the exact mathematical solution. K -solutions were checked for convergence.
- For small cracks ($a/t, c/t, a/R, c/R$ small) the solutions on the database can be compared with approximate handbook solutions (Newman), just to guarantee that there is no serious handling error has occurred





How were solutions checked, cont.



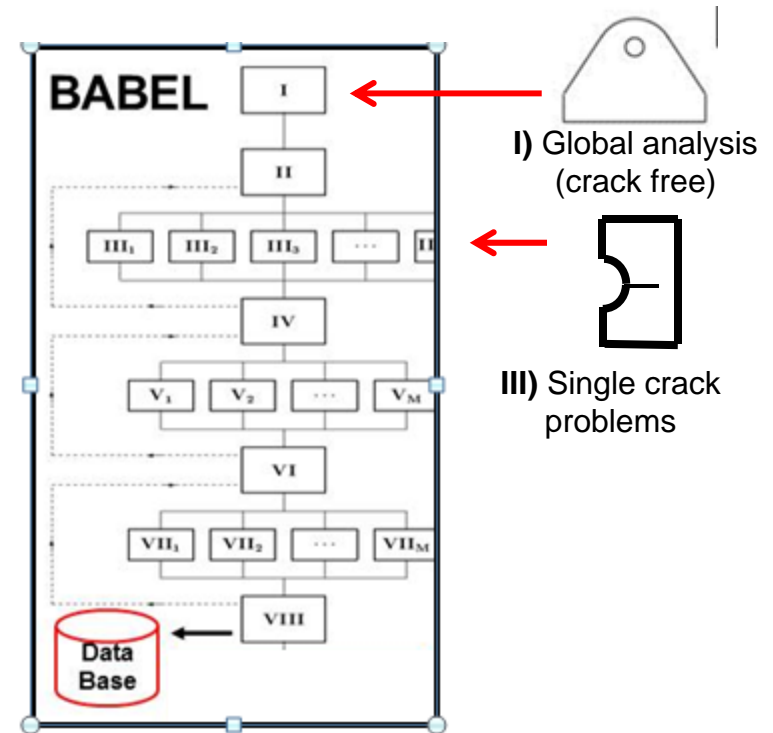
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- The BABEL software is quite complex and checking its functionality is tricky. Two time-consuming tests have been performed 2014:
 - Two very different software versions BABEL exists (2010, 2013) with very different data structure. Both were rewritten slightly so cases 2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, and 7 could be solved with both systems and the two complete databases could be compared (for the cases mentioned)
 - A special version of the BABEL system was created where the loads applied on levels I, and III were artificially constructed, i.e. surface tractions and volume loads were calculated from the exact displacement solution:

$$u_i = \sum_{j=0}^{j=5} \sum_{k=0}^{k=5} \sum_{m=0}^{m=5} C_{ijkm} \cdot X^j \cdot Y^k \cdot Z^m$$

where C_{ijkm} are 648 nonzero selected coefficients.

By comparing the analytical displacement solution with FE-solutions* on levels I, III and V, every single number can be controlled with 10-12 digits accuracy. Any scaling, transformation, mapping, software error in BABEL will be detected!!!



* If STRIPE jobs on levels I, III, V are solved using $p=6$ (or larger) the FE-solution will be identical to the analytical solution (round-off=0).



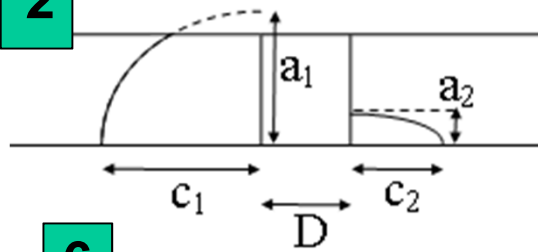
Plate K-Solutions



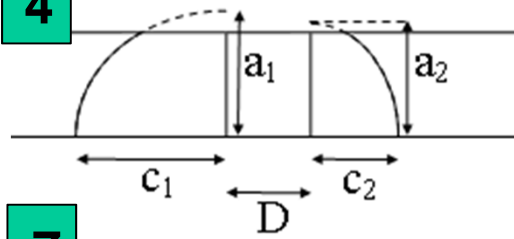
Which solution spaces are complete?

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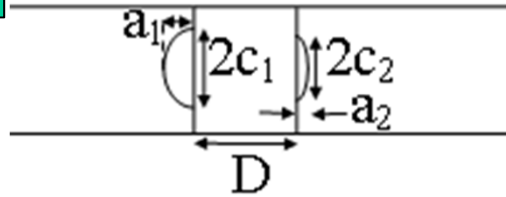
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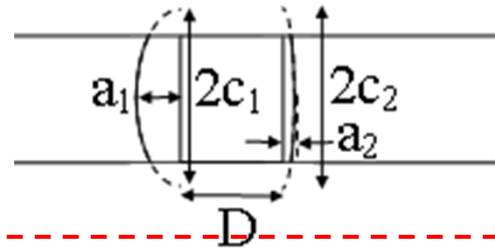
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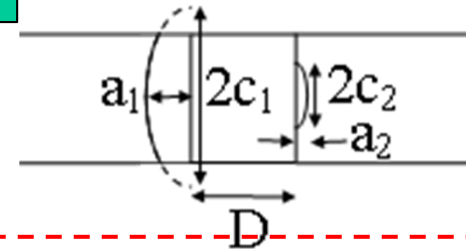
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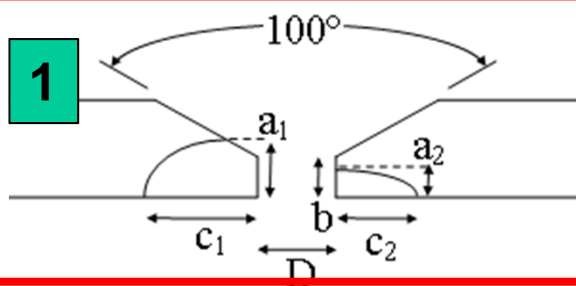


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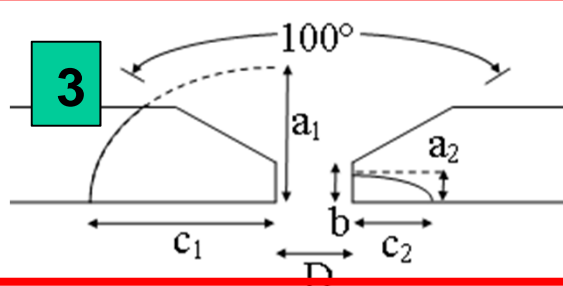


Currently being tested - - -
There are holes in the DB's —
Work Sept-Dec 2014 —

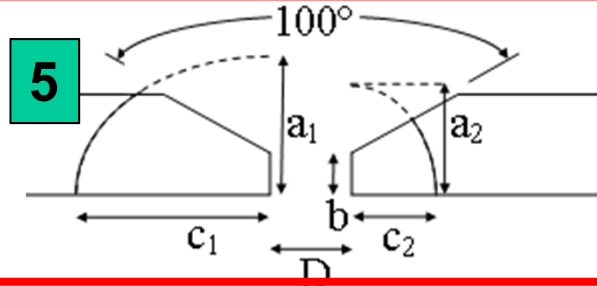
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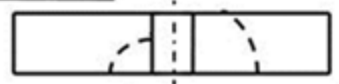
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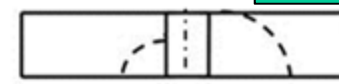
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Next *K*-Solutions



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- Lugs, will be available during 2014
- Discussion?

33-34			1-2	0.9	0.9
				0.7	0.7
35-36			1-2	1.8	1.8
				1.6	1.6

For these small global domains we can solve $R/t=4,5,6,7,8,9,10$ without large run-off Problems, is there a need?

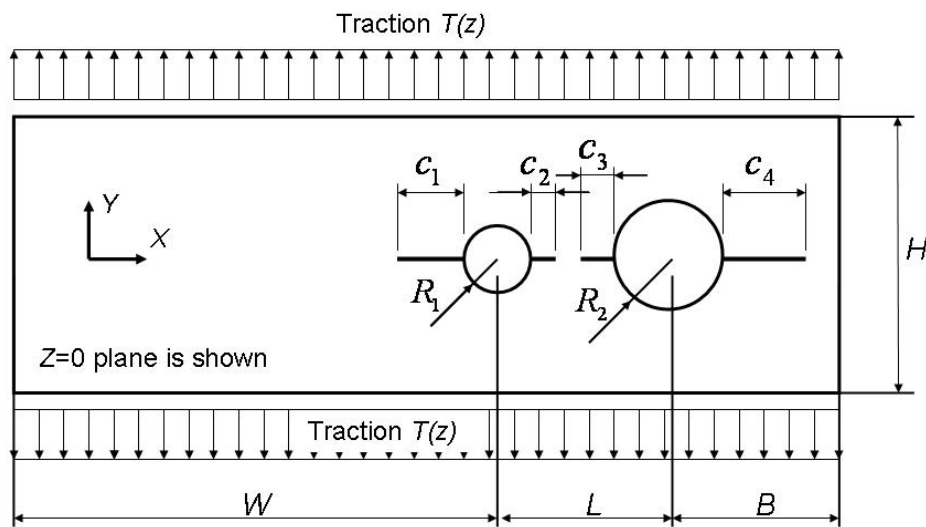


New K-Solutions

BABEL for generation of K-solutions



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Example: $R/t=1.0$, $L=3D$, $B=2D2$, $R1/R2=0.5$

Loc. →	1	2	3	4	Cracks in location 1-4
Through thickness	74	57	57	50	238
Not "-"	120	118	118	112	468
Sum →	194	175	175	175	706

$R/t = 0.075, 0.1, 0.2, 0.333, 0.5, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0$ and ~~6.0~~ ($r = \text{Min}\{R_1, R_2\}$)

$L = 1D, 2D, 3D, 4D$ where $D = \text{Max}\{D_1, D_2\}$

$B = 1D_2, 2D_2, 3D_2, 4D_2$

$R_1 / R_2 = 0.5, 1.0$ and 2.0

Hence there are 384 global geometries (8 r/t -, 4 L -, 4 B and 3 R_1 / R_2 -values) to be analysed.

From these 706 single cracks results for **2B crack scenario** (1-, 2-, 3- or 4 cracks) are generated using **BABEL**.

Computational effort is not very large:
Of order < 10k Cpu-hours to create the result data base on Shepard (Aug 2014)



RELATED WORK IN *K* SOLUTIONS



Related *K*-Solution Work



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- **Analysis of findings from teardown analysis programs**
 - **Fleet life assessments—retired aircraft**
 - **Post test assessments—FSFT**
- **One program [very large] is executing a detailed fleet impact analysis of teardown analysis program findings**
- **Large body of finding data infrequently correlates to available *K* solutions and AFGROW configurations**
 - **Hole with many radial cracks**
 - **Multiple adjacent surface cracks close to a hole**
- **CASTLE will continue to track and report to the AFGROW and ASIP community**
 - **Share new solutions as they are created**
 - **Potential interest for future solutions**



Discussion



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