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Element-Free-Galerkin Method (EFG) in LS-DYNA — Implementation and Applications

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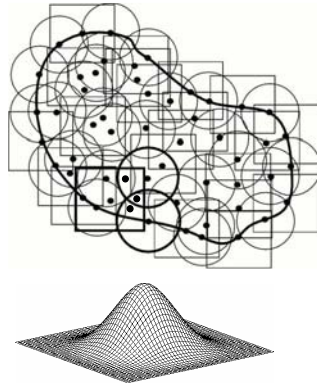


1. Overview on LS-DYNA-EFG

What is the Meshfree/Meshless/Particle Method ?

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— No mesh is needed and shape functions are constructed from sets of particles



Meshfree Shape Function

- Meshfree Method
 - Meshfree Collocation Method
 - Smooth Particle Hydrodynamics (SPH) [Monaghan 1977]
 - Finite Point Method [Onate et al.1996]
 - Meshfree Galerkin Method
 - Element Free Galerkin (EFG) [Belytschko et al. 1994]
 - Reproducing Kernel Particle Method (RKPM) [Liu et al. 1995]
 - Partition of Unity Method [Babuska and Melenk 1995]
 - HP-Clouds [Duarte and Oden 1996]
 - Free-Mesh Method [Yagawa et al. 1996]
 - Natural Element Method [Sukumar et al.1998]
 - Meshless Local Petrov-Galerkin Meshfree Method(MLPG) [Atluri et al.1998]
 - Local Boundary Integral Equation (LBIE) [Atluri et al. 1998]
 - Finite Sphere Method [1998] ...
- (FEM, Control Volume, BEM ...) + Meshfree Method
 - Coupled FEM/Meshfree Method [1995]
 - Extended FEM Method [1999]
 - Finite Particle Method [1999]



EFG Approximation

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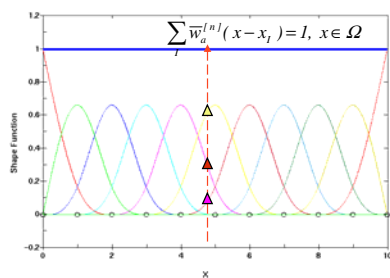
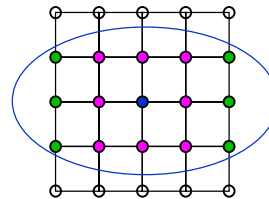
$$u^h(x) = \sum_{I=1}^{NP} \bar{w}_a^{[n]}(x-x_I) u(x_I) \Delta x_I$$

Moving Least-Squares approximation or Reproducing Kernel approximation

$$\bar{w}_a^{[n]}(x-x_I) = \underbrace{\mathbf{H}^{[n]T}(0) \mathbf{M}^{[n]}(x) \mathbf{H}^{[n]}(x-x_I)}_{n\text{-th order completeness}} \underbrace{w_a(x-x_I)}_{\text{weighting function}}$$

$$\bar{w}_{aI}^{[n]}(x_I) \neq \delta_{II}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-T} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \Delta \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{A}^{-T} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \Delta \mathbf{d} = -\mathbf{A}^{-T} \mathbf{R}$$



- Higher-order approximation
- More neighboring nodes
- Special treatment on B.C.
- Complicated domain integration (rely on background elements)



Mixed Formulation for Nearly Incompressible Material **LS-DYNA**

Hellinger-Reissner variational principle

$$\Pi(u, p) = \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} u_{(i,j)} \sigma_{ij} d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} p u_{i,i} d\Omega - W^{ext}$$

$$u_{i,i} + \frac{p}{\lambda} = 0$$

Discrete equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{K} & G \\ G^T & M \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{F} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

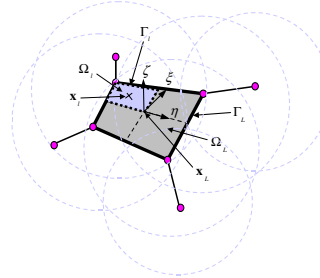
$$(\bar{K} - GM^{-1}G^T)u = \bar{F}$$

$$p^{(P)} = -M^{-1}G^T u$$

$$G_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \tilde{B}_i^{vT} \Psi_j d\Omega$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon}^d = \sum_I \tilde{B}_I^d \hat{d}_I$$

$$\bar{F}_I^{int} = \int_{\Omega} \tilde{B}_I^T (\sigma + p^{(P)}) d\Omega$$



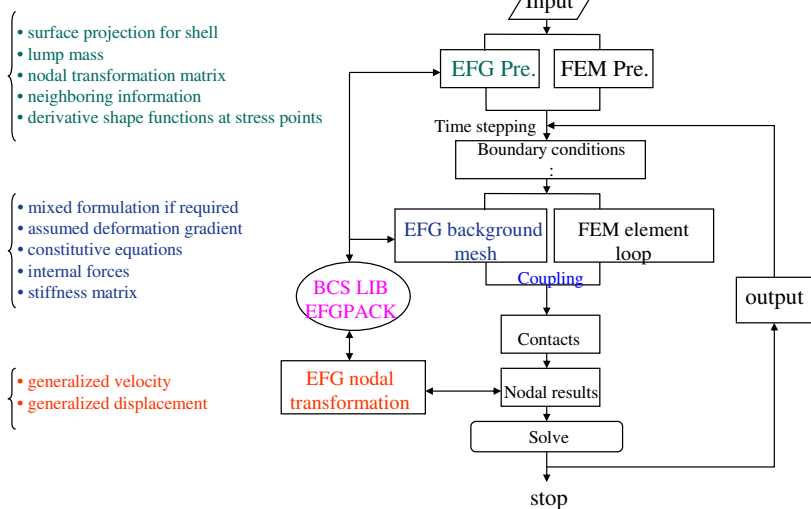
Smoothed Gradient Matrix

$$\tilde{B}_I(x_i) = \frac{1}{V_i} \int_{\Omega_i} B_I d\Omega$$



Overall Flowchart

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- surface projection for shell
 - lump mass
 - nodal transformation matrix
 - neighboring information
 - derivative shape functions at stress points
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- mixed formulation if required
 - assumed deformation gradient
 - constitutive equations
 - internal forces
 - stiffness matrix
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- generalized velocity
 - generalized displacement

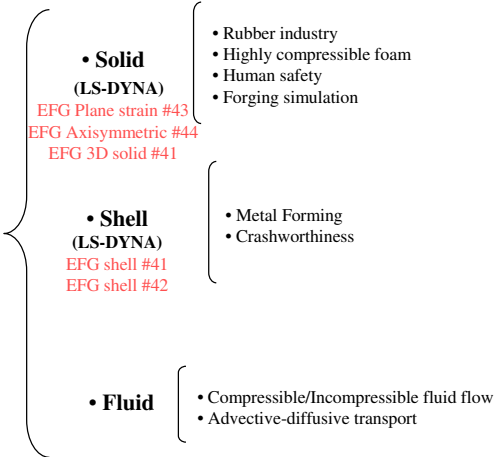


LS-DYNA-EFG for Industrial Applications



Mesh-free Basic Features

1. Smoother stress and strain
2. Less sensitive to the discretization
3. No hourglass control
4. Higher accuracy
5. Easier adaptivity
6. Higher CPU
7. More memory
8. More difficult in theory
9. More developments and refinements on theory



Crashworthiness: ODB Model



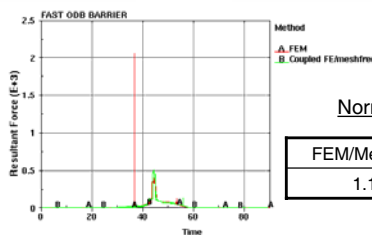
FAST ODB BARRIER
FEM(movie)



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FEM/Meshfree (movie)



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Normalized CPU Time

FEM/Meshfree	FEM
1.12	1.00



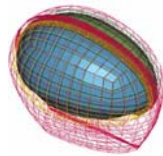
Brain Injury Simulation

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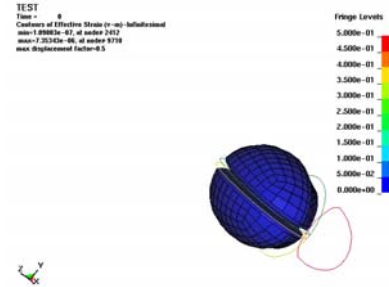
FEM/Meshfree(discretization)

FEM/Meshfree(movie)

Visco-hyperelastic Material



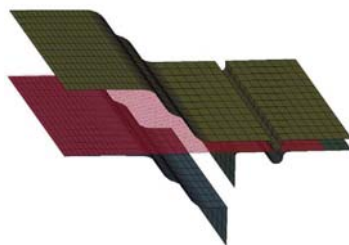
DOT/NHTSA
SIMon model



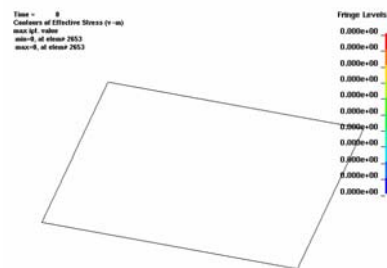
Channel Forming Simulation (Explicit)

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Meshfree(discretization)



EFG nodes 19026



Meshfree(movie)



Recent Developments of LS-DYNA-EFG **LS-DYNA**

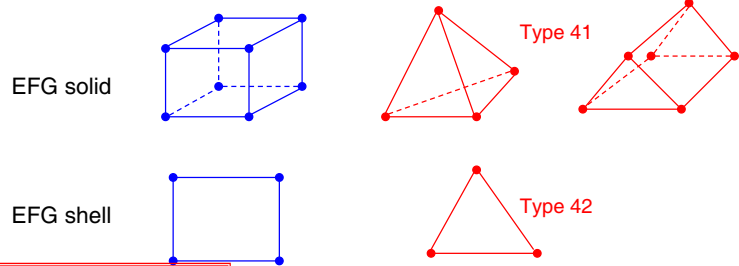
- Inclusion of Different EFG Background Elements
- Parallel Mesh-free Computation
- Implicit Mesh-free Shells



Inclusion of Different EFG Background Element **LS-DYNA**

- Tetrahedron Element in FEM
 - 1. 4-noded constant stress (#10)
 - 2. 10-noded 5-stress points (#16)
 - 3. 4-noded nodal pressure for bulk forming(#13)

■ Inclusion of Background Element in EFG



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Inclusion of Different EFG Background Element (cont.) **LS-DYNA**

■ Tetrahedron Background Element in EFG

Lagrangian Strain Smoothing + Assumed Strain Method

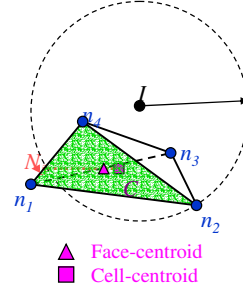
$$\Delta \tilde{u}_{i,j}(X_L) = \left[\sum_I \int_{\Delta} \Psi_I N_k d\Gamma \Delta d_{ij} \right] \tilde{F}_{ij}^{-1}(X_L)$$

$$\delta \Pi(u, \tilde{F}) = \int_{\Omega} \delta \tilde{F}_{ik} \tilde{F}_{kj}^{-1} \tilde{\epsilon}_{ij}(\tilde{F}) \tilde{J}^0(\tilde{F}) d\Omega - \delta W^{ext}(u)$$

$$f_i^{int} = \sum_{L=1}^{NP} \tilde{B}_i^T(X_L) \tilde{G}^T(X_L) \tilde{\epsilon}(\tilde{F}(X_L)) \tilde{J}^0(X_L) A_L$$

Second-order accuracy for cell-averaged data
[Frink et al. 1994]

$$\Psi_i(X_{F(124)}) = \Psi_i(X_c) + \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{3} (\Psi_i(X_{N1}) + \Psi_i(X_{N2}) + \Psi_i(X_{N4})) - \Psi_i(X_{N3}) \right]$$

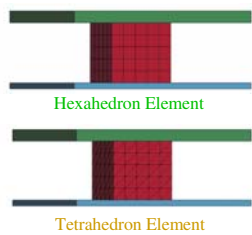


- 1. 4-noded (#41) in ls971 [• non-rotational foam materials
- 2. 4-noded in nearly incompressible limit (?) *Requires research !*

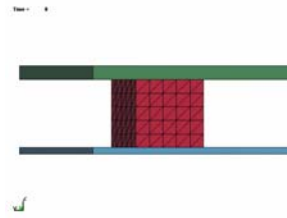


Foam Material Simulation

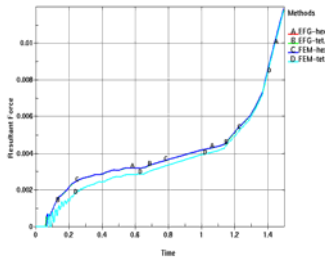
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Low-density foam



EFG-tet.(movie)



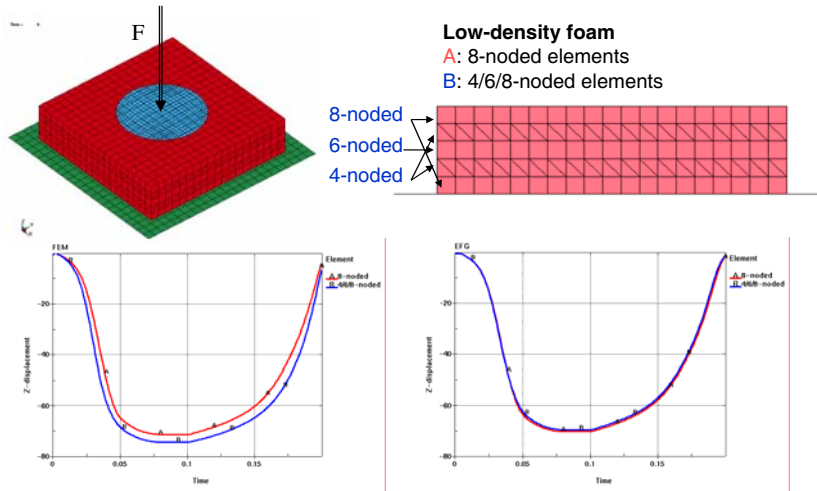
Compressibility

FEM RI-hex.#1	FEM-tet.#10	EFG-hex.#41	EFG-tet.#41
95 %	95 %	95 %	95 %



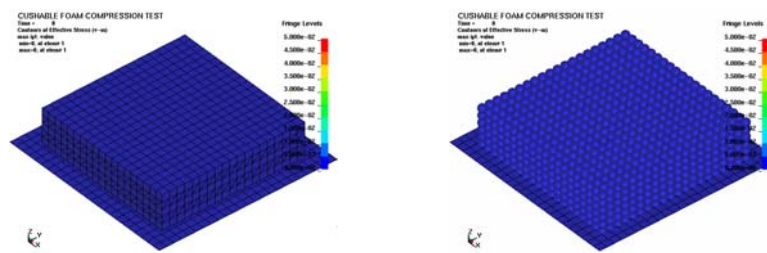
Compression Test

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Compression Test (cont.)

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FEM(movie)

Meshfree(movie)

Normalized CPU Time

FEM RI	EFG
1.0	5.4



Parallel Mesh-free Computation

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□ SMP

➤ Scalability depends on the efficiency of the matrix multiplication with the transformation matrix

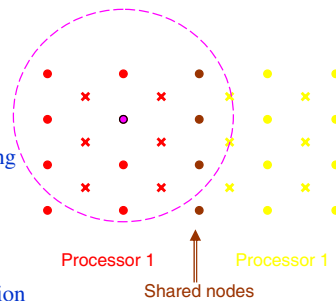
□ MPP

➤ Difficulty computing A inverse in MPP

➤ More communications in a EFG region among processors

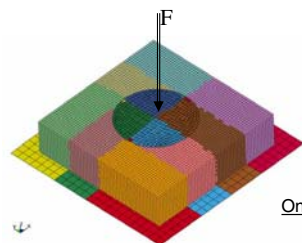
✓ More neighbors involve in nodal force computation

✓ Another set of neighbors in transformation



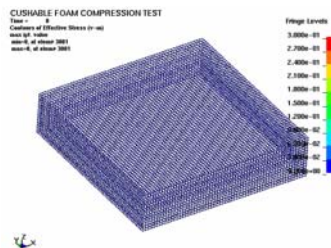
Compression Test

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Crushable Foam Material
Total 53624 EFG nodes
SGI ORIGIN 2000 16-CPU 500 MHz

One EFG part on 8 processors



Normalized SMP and MPP CPU Time

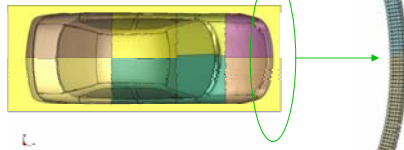
No. of CPU's	1	2	4	8
SMP	1.00	0.55	0.43	0.32
MPP	0.99	0.52	0.25	0.15



Front Impact of a Neon Car

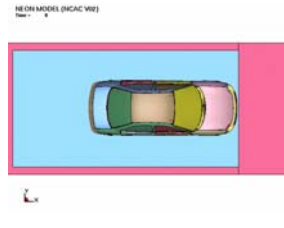
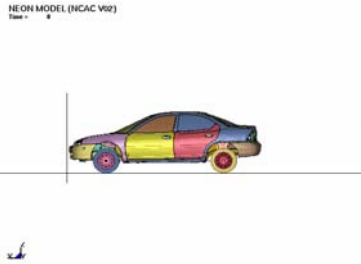
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Decomposition on 8 processors



Total nodes 285879
 Total solid elements 2969
 Total shell elements 269107
 EFG solid: foam bumper 1200
 SGI ORIGIN 2000 16-CPU 500 MHz

One EFG bumper on 2 processors



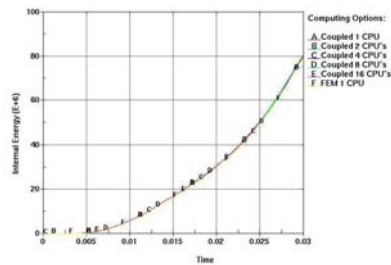
Front Impact of a Neon Car (cont.)

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Comparison of Internal Energy



IA-64 HP-UX Clusters
 rx2600 (2u 2p)
 GigE (IB Q2'04)
 ClusterPak



HP Benchmarking Systems

Clusters of HP RX2600 (2 1.5 MHz CPU's per node)
 OS: HP-UX 11.23
 LS-DYNA: double precision MPP 971.2875
 Thanks to Dr. Yih-Yih Lin of HP

Normalized MPP CPU Time

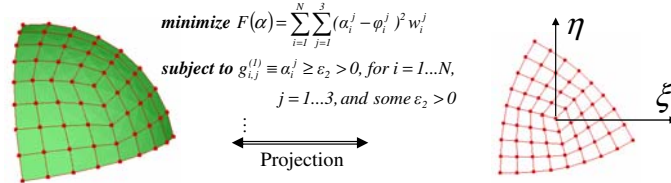
No. of CPU's	1	2	4	8	16
Coupled FEM/EFG	1.00	0.71	0.36	0.22	0.15



Development of Meshfree Shell [Wu and Guo 2002] **LS-DYNA**

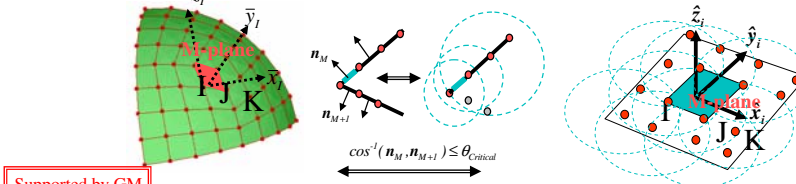
■ Global Approach

Angle-based triangular flattening (Sheffer and Sturler, 2001)+ Moving least-squares



■ Local Approach

Moving least-squares + (Area-weighted) smoothing



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Constructed Meshfree Surface

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Meshfree Global Approach Meshfree Local Approach	Meshfree Global Approach Meshfree Local Approach	Meshfree Local Approach

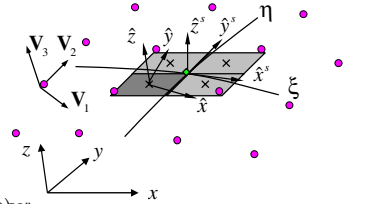


- First-order shear deformable shell theory with 5/6 –parameter approach

$$\mathcal{B} := \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \mathbf{x}(\xi, \eta, \zeta, t) = \phi(\xi, \eta, t) + \zeta \mathbf{V}_3(\xi, \eta, t) \text{ with } \zeta \in \left[-\frac{h}{2}, +\frac{h}{2} \right] \right\}$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{V}_3 = -\mathbf{V}_2 \Delta \alpha + \mathbf{V}_1 \Delta \beta$$

- A co-rotational coordinate system is embedded at each in-plane integration point and defined by the convected coordinates



Two approximations for local velocity

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_i = \sum_{I=1}^{NP} \tilde{\Psi}_I \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{iI} + \zeta \sum_{I=1}^{NP} \tilde{\Psi}_I \frac{t_I}{2} \left[-\mathbf{V}_{2II} \quad \mathbf{V}_{1II} \right] \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{\alpha}_I \\ \dot{\beta}_I \end{Bmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{V}_{3i}^{n+1} = \mathbf{R}_{ij}(\Delta\theta) \mathbf{V}_{3i}^n$$

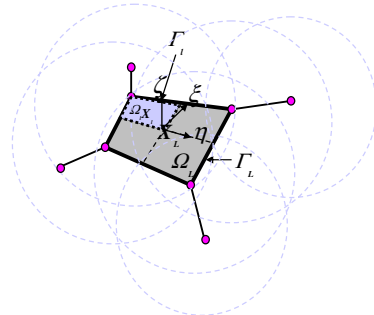
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- Lagrangian smoothed strains in co-rotational system [Chen and Wu 1998]

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^m = \sum_I \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^m \mathbf{d}_I \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^b = \zeta \sum_I \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^b \mathbf{d}_I \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^s = \sum_I \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^s \mathbf{d}_I$$

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^m(\mathbf{x}_I) = \frac{1}{A_I} \int_{\Gamma_I} \hat{\mathbf{B}}_I^m \cdot \mathbf{n} d\Gamma \\ \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^b(\mathbf{x}_I) = \frac{1}{A_I} \int_{\Gamma_I} \hat{\mathbf{B}}_I^b \cdot \mathbf{n} d\Gamma \\ \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^s(\mathbf{x}_I) = \frac{1}{A_L} \int_{\Gamma_I} \hat{\mathbf{B}}_I^s \cdot \mathbf{n} d\Gamma \end{cases} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{cases} \sum_{J=1} \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{\Psi}_J(\mathbf{X}) W_J = 0 \\ \sum_{I=1} \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{\Psi}_I(\mathbf{X}) = 0 \\ \sum_{I=1} \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{\Psi}_I(\mathbf{X}) X_{ii}^2 = X_i \end{cases}$$



- Internal nodal force

$$\mathbf{f}_I^{int} = \int_{\Omega} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^{mT} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} \zeta \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^{bT} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_I^{sT} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} d\Omega$$

Summary

- thin to moderate thick shell
- Show advantages in membrane and bending-dominant problems



Clamped Shallow Cap Under Inflation

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S/R Hughes-Liu (1981)



Belytschko-Tsay (1983)



Assumed Strain (1990)



Belytschko-Leviathan (1994)



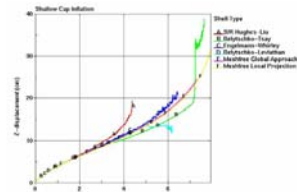
Meshfree Global Approach



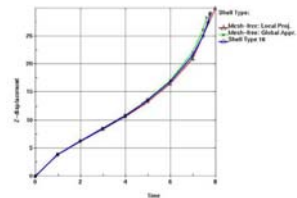
Meshfree Local Projection



Explicit Analysis

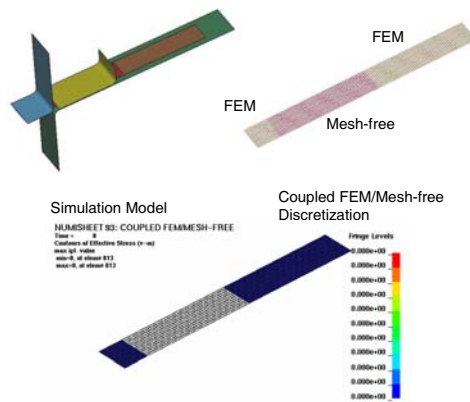


Implicit Analysis

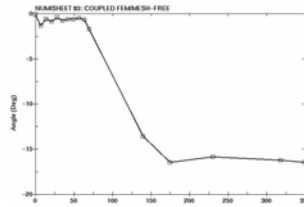


Spring-back Analysis (Explicit-Implicit Switch)
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Workpiece Angle Change



Springback Angle

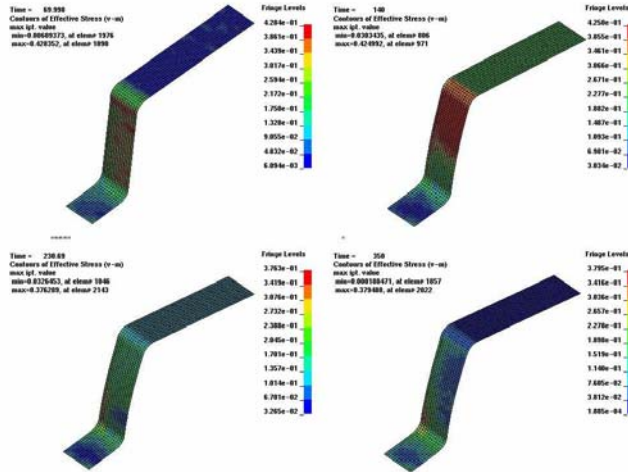
Meshfree	Experiment
16.4	17.1

Coupled FEM/Mesh-free (movie)



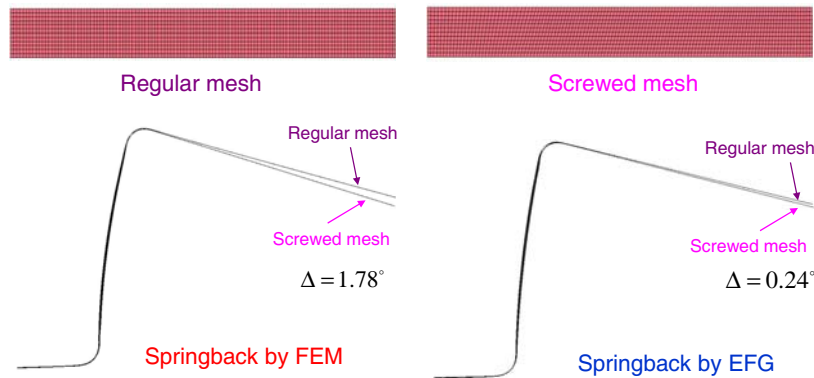
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Effective Stress during Springback



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Springback Analysis: Discretization Effect





Required Improvements and Main Issues in EFG Analysis

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- **Methodology**
 - Material separation
 - Mixed formulation in nearly incompressible limit
- Discretization and **Approximation**

- Numerical Integration
 - Spatial integration** Inclusion of tetrahedron and pentahedron background elements
 - Time integration
- **Objective or multiplicative Stress Update**

- Others
 - Contact algorithm**
 - Parallilization** SMP, MPP, Optimized



On-going and Future Plans

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2004 LS-DYNA EFG Update

	2D & 3D SMP	Mix formulation	Inclusion of 4/6/8-noded elements	Solid MPP	Two explicit EFG shells
ls970	✓	✓	✓		
ls971	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

	Fast EFG method	3D EFG material erosion	Thickness stress for shell
ls970			
ls971	✓	✓	✓

Future Plans

- Discrete and continuous fracture analysis in mesh-free solid and shell
- Coupling systems
- Mesh-free based contact algorithm
- 3D Interactive adaptivity
- Fluid and Gas formulations