

Reduced Oder Modeling techniques to predict the risk of fatigue fracture of peripheral stents

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The vascular disease in peripheral arteries and its treatment



Left: angiographic findings of superficial femoral artery (SFA) stent Right: popliteal Artery (PA) occlusion in an elderly gentleman with ischaemic rest pain in the foot and dusky discolouration of the toes.



A) Preoperative angiographic imaging showing lesion at the level of tibiofibular trunck;

B) Suboptimal treatment with percutaneous transluminal angioplasty andC) successful stenting with Chromis Deep stent (Invatec, Roncadelle, Italy).



Conformational change in the femoropopliteal artery with leg movement



Straight leg

Crossed leg

Klein et al. Catheter Cardiovasc Intervent 2009;74:787–798



In vivo peripheral stent deformation with leg movement



Two stent-grafts in a recanalized femoropopliteal segment.



Ten stents placed to recanalize a long SFA occlusion

Kroger et al. J Endovasc Ther 2004;11:686–694



'If we could compute the risk of stent fatigue fracture while the surgeon is planning or performing the intervention, the computer could give a warning when the combination of patient-specific and surgery-specific factors create risk for the patient, and drastically reduce the incidence of this important complication.'









Scheninert et al. JACC 2005

Stent fracture leads to in-stent restenosis



Safe or unsafe conditions ?



Goodman diagram at a fixed fatigue life (experimental data for Nitinol)



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ANSYS Comprehensive Robust Design Optimization & Design for Six σ Becomes a 4 Stages Process



3 out of these 4 stages are standard tools already available through DesignXplorer



stent simulations in a vessel with atherosclerotic plaque

\rightarrow Simulation of a stenting procedure in a vessel with atherosclerotic plaque



Stent *crimping* with a cyindrical rigid body

Angioplasty with a cylindrical rigid body as a balloon

Deflation of the balloon for angioplasty

Deployement of the stent into the vessel

ANSYS Response Surface of angioplasty procedure

Load Steps of the angioplasty simulation







| Input Parameters | Description | Variation range |
|------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| | | |
| D _V | Inner diameter (mm) | 3.464 - 6.062 |
| L _P | Plaque length (mm) | 40 - 190 |
| RL | Residual lumen | 0.65 - 0.95 |
| As | Asymmetry coefficient | 0 - 1 |
| S | Sharpness | 0.1 - 1 |
| %ID | Percentage inner diameter | 0.85 - 1.15 |
| %Stretch | Percentage initial stretching | 0. – 0.20 |



response surface results corresponding to geometry partition (1 node = 1 vertex and 1 element = 1 solid)

ANSYS Angioplasty Response Surface

Around 450 Angioplasty solves launched in parallel on the CINECA PLX Cluster: Intel Xeon E5645 @2.4Ghz

• Average computation time for converged simulations (4 CPU used per run): 78 min

2 sets of design points

- Learning set to build the response surface
- Validation set to compare interpolated results and reference results

Parameterization of solution fields based on

- Singular Value Decomposition of the list of vectors
- Scalar output parameters computed from solution fields

Variation of the number of learning points

Variation of the number of modes

Validation using scalar output parameters accuracy

ANSYS Response Surface Validation



Validation using the full set of points (around 450)

ANSYS Response Surface Validation

Results on Maximum Von Mises Stress

Variation from 0.16 to 2.29 Mean Value = 0.94 From -83% To +144%





Validation using the full set of points (around 450)





Residual Stenosis wrt Inner Diameter

Residual Stenosis wrt Plaque Length

Response Surface Validation





Residual Stenosis wrt Residual Lumen

Residual Stenosis wrt Plaque Assymmetry Coefficient

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0.6

0.8

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Residual Stenosis wrt Sharpness

Residual Stenosis wrt Percentage Inner Diameter

ANSYS Response Surface Validation



Residual Stenosis wrt Percentage Initial Stretching

ANSYS Simplified Model for stenting and fatigue risk

Building a simplified model: why and how?

- High computational costs of the "full 3D fatigue simulations": from 5 to 10 days using 8 cores for a single fatigue analysis
- Focus on a small portion (e.g. a single or few rings) of a specific stent design and evaluate its risk of fatigue fracture as a function of a few important factors related to the main local features of the stenotic vessel where the stent is implanted





ANSYS Axial Fatigue model

Artery+plaque mesh : 58 000 nodes, 12 000 elements
Crimping surface : 3 500 nodes, 3 400 elements
Stent mesh : 125 200 nodes, 80 850 elements



ANSYS Axial Fatigue simulation

→8 steps for the full simulation :

Step 1 : The vessel (representing artery+plaque) is axially stretched ; at the same time, the stent is crimped and introduced into the vessel

Step 2 : The stent is deployed in the vessel

→ Steps 3/4, 5/6, 7/8 : 3 fatigue cycles are applied on the vessel by successive tensile and compressive displacements



ANSYS Axial Fatigue response surface

4 parameters can vary:

- Inner Diameter of the tube : [4.2 mm ; 7 mm]
- Young Modulus of the tube : [0.15 MPa ; 1.5 MPa]
- \rightarrow Initial stretching of the tube (Is) : [3% ; 20%]
- Cyclic axial stretching : [20% x ls ; 100% x ls]
- A 4-parameters Design Of Experiment of 200 points is launched on CINECA cluster
- → 4 additionnal 1-parameter DOE are launched for verifications (4*16 points)
- For each run, the following results are stored for the 2 central rings of the stent:
 - Displacements for each step on each node
 - First Principal Strains for the last fatigue cycle (steps 7 and 8) on each element: Str_{LS7} and Str_{LS8}

ANSYS Axial Fatigue response surface

Using CINECA PLX Cluster: Intel Xeon E5645 @2.4Ghz

Metrics on the 200 points DOE :

- Number of calculation completed : 158 (42 runs aborted due to I/O errors on the cluster)
- \rightarrow 8 CPU per run used
- Average computation time (for 1 run) : 19 hours
- Minimum computation time : 7 hours
- Maximum computation time : 70 hours

Metrics on the 4*16 (64) points DOEs :

- Number of calculation completed : 60
 (3 runs aborted due to I/O errors on the cluster, 1 diverged)
- \rightarrow 8 CPU per run used
- Average computation time (for 1 run) : 16 hours
- Minimum computation time : 7 hours
- Maximum computation time : 42 hours



Reduced Order Model Building

\rightarrow 158 point in the DOE:

- ightarrow 107 used as learning points
- \rightarrow 51 used as verification points

ROM of the result X = (DefLS7 + DefLS8) /2

- → Built with 107 learning points
- →7 modes

ROM of the result Y = (DefLS7 - DefLS8) /2

- Built with 107 learning points
- →16 modes

Exploitation of the 2 ROM to build the fatigue cloud for each point in the parameter space

ANSYS Validation of the ROM : Step 1 (1) Building the fatigue cloud for the 158 points of the initial DOE

Error criteria : for a point of the DOE the error criteria is the max difference in Y value between the exact points and the points obtained by using ROM

6 - 10⁻* exact cloud ROM cloud Error criteria = max (delta Y) 3 2 X = (DefLS7 + DefLS8)/20.035 -0.005 0.005 0.02 0.01 0.015 0.025 0.03

Y = abs(DefLS7 - DefLS8)/2



Validation of the ROM : Step 1 (2)

\rightarrow Error criteria for the 158 points of the initial DOE



Validation of the ROM : Step 1 (3)



Validation of the ROM : Step 2

Exploitation of the 2 ROM to build the fatigue cloud for several points of lines in the parameter space

\rightarrow from the central point of the parameter space:

Inner Diameter = 5.6 mm

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- Young Modulus =0.825 Mpa
- → Initial Stretching =11.5%
- > Cyclic Axial Stretching = 60%



Line 1: We vary the first parameter (Inner Diameter) from the min value to the max value: exact run for 15 points on this line

 \rightarrow Line 2 : variation of the 2nd parameter (Young Modulus)

ightarrowLine 3 : variation of the 3rd parameter (Initial Stretching)

Line 4 : variation of the 4th parameter (Cyclic Axial Stretching)



















ROM are an Essential Component for Efficient Full System Modeling

Detailed 3D Multiphysics



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