



# LCF and TMF crack growth in cast nickel-base superalloy

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SOLID MECHANICS

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# Project informations

## *Goals*

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- Research programme: KME – Konsortiet för Materialteknik för termiska Energieprocesser
  - The goals of this KME project (KME 702) are:
    - investigate and model LCF and TMF crack propagation in cast nickel-based superalloys with special focus on STAL15
    - Different effects on the crack propagation like hold times, creep and at some point aging are investigated
    - Accounting of elastic and plastic anisotropy, as well as tension/compression asymmetry
    - Applicability of LEFM is to be investigated

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## *Work allocation*

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The work will be:

- Theoretical (in order to understand the material model and its implementation as well as the handling of the crack growth)
- Experimental (in order to verify the simulated results by laboratory tests and to give further insight in the material behavior under TMF loading)

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## *Participants*

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- Assistant supervisor II : Johan Moverare
- Assistant supervisor III: David Gustafsson (SiT)
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- Background studies on LCF crack propagation simulations on IN718 using FRAMC3D in master thesis
  - Method development for TMF crack growth simulations on IN792 using FRANC3D

# Overview – FRANC3D

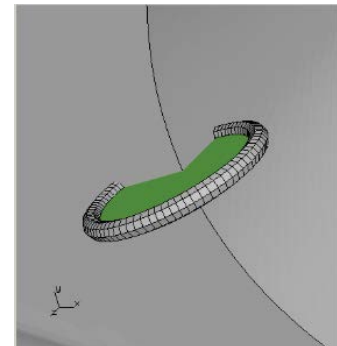
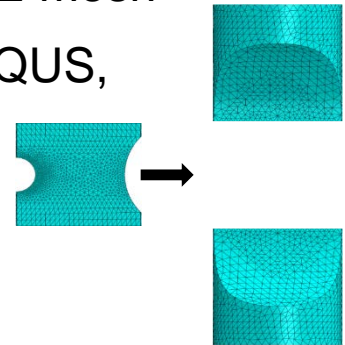
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Main Features:

- Crack growth software
- Supports automated crack growth in FE mesh
- Uses power of external FE code (ABAQUS, ANSYS, NASTRAN)
- Cracks are given in templates
- Possibility to extract sub-model

Only a local domain is remeshed, but whole FE-model is used for stress calculation

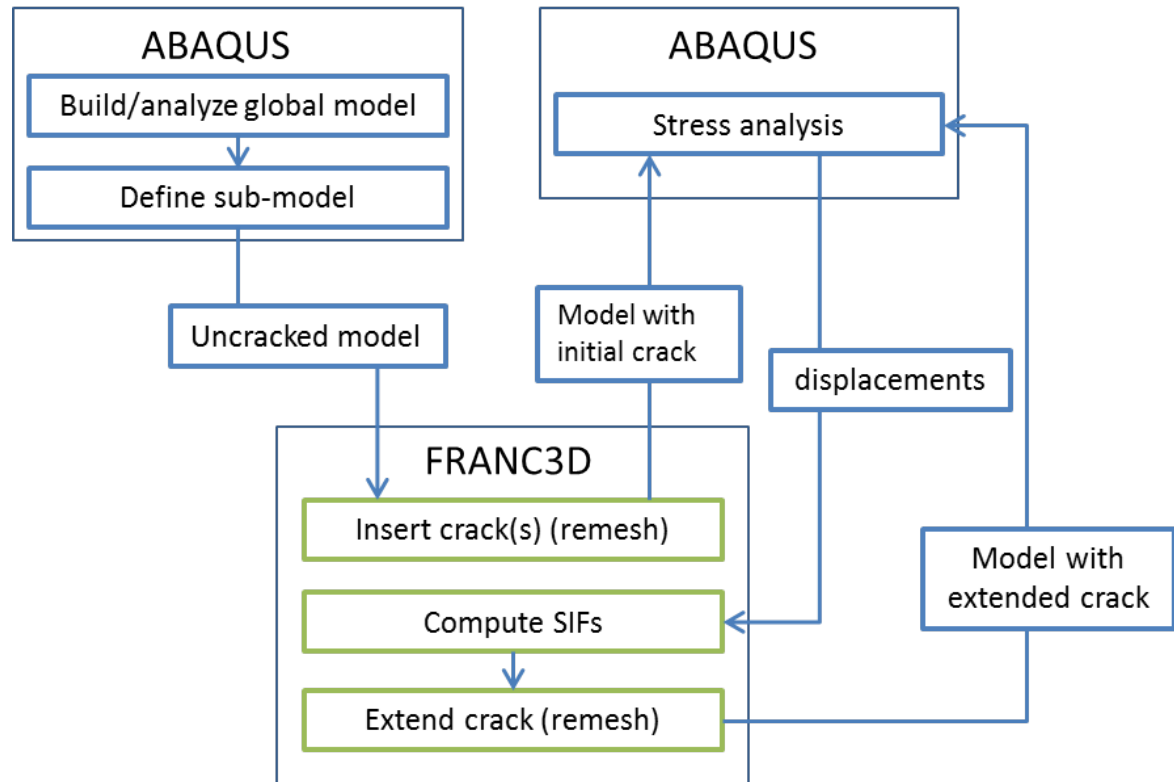


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General procedure:





# Spring activities – IN792

## *First part of project*

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- Write paper about methodologies of TMF crack propagation simulations using FRANC3D

### Content:

- Method using LE elements around crack tip
- "Newman method"
- Comparison to lab tests

### Difficulties:

- Current Lab tests are LCF-tests
- Waiting for TMF test results performed by SiT

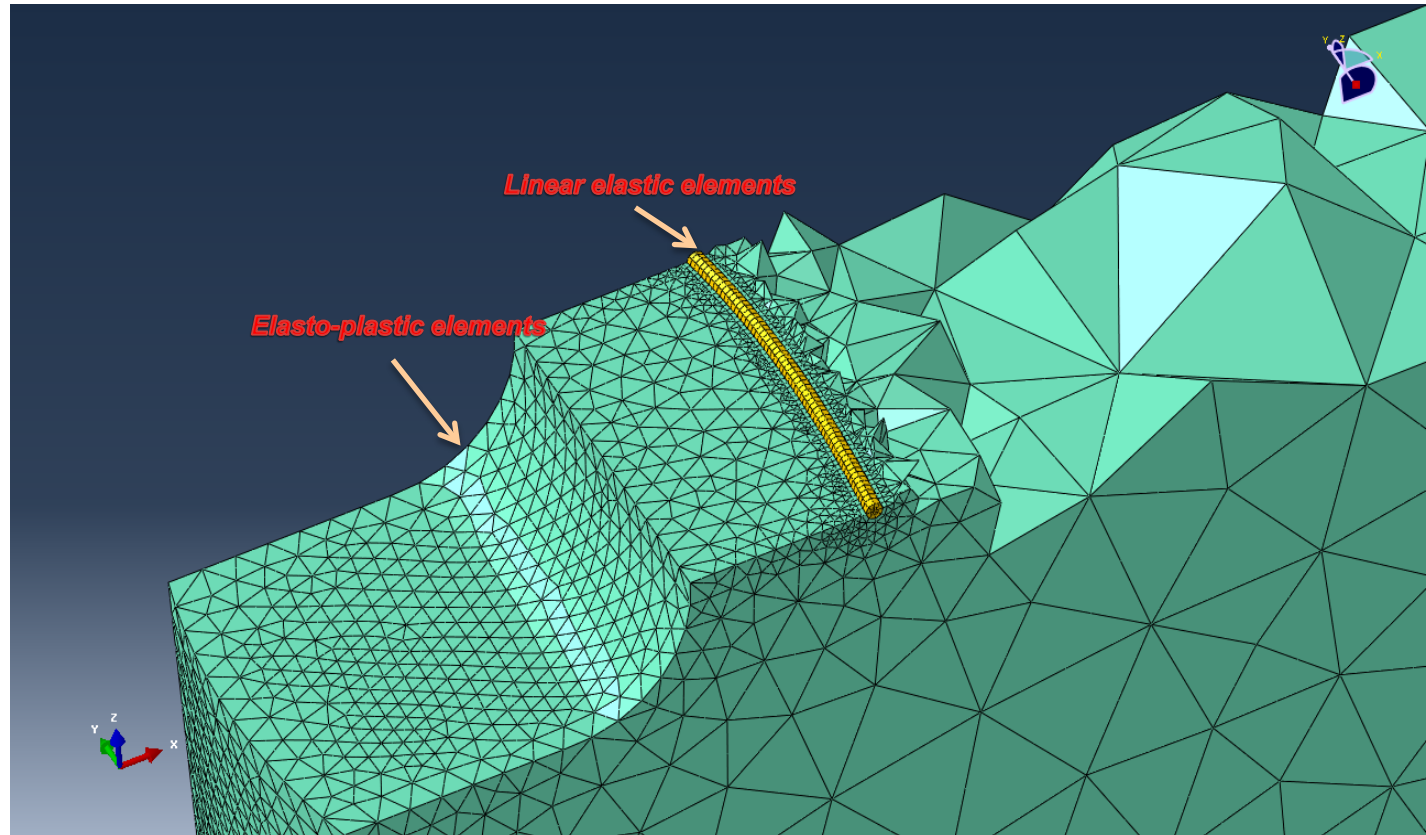


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## *Methodology*

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- LE elements around crack tip

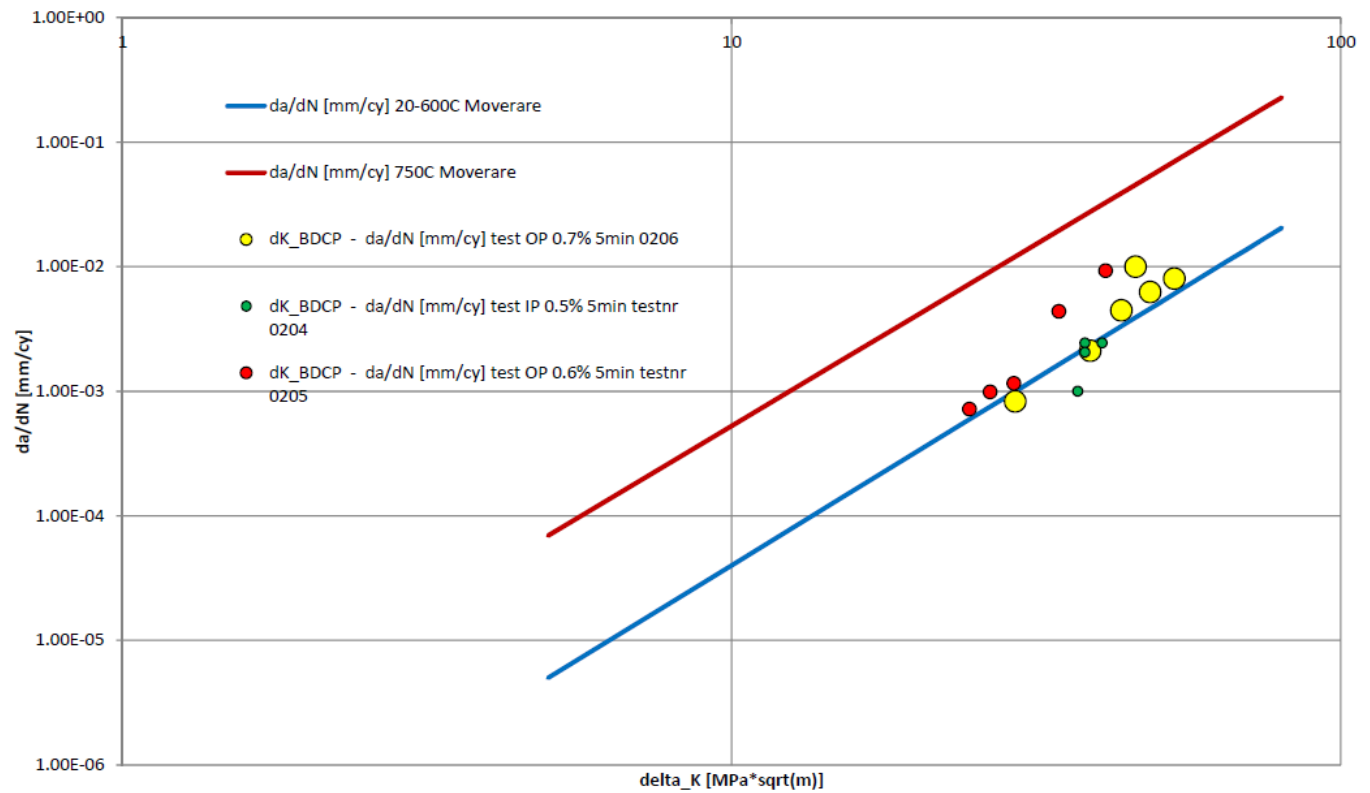


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## *Preliminary results*

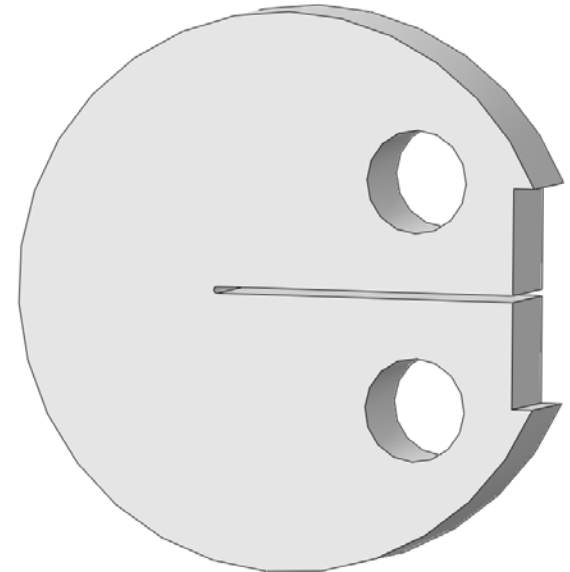
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- LCF crack propagation testing on the "Pacman" DCT specimen made of STAL15
  - Advantages with specimen geometry:
    - Easy manufacturing of different thicknesses
    - Easy manufacturing of different crystal orientations
    - Raw material already present from SiT

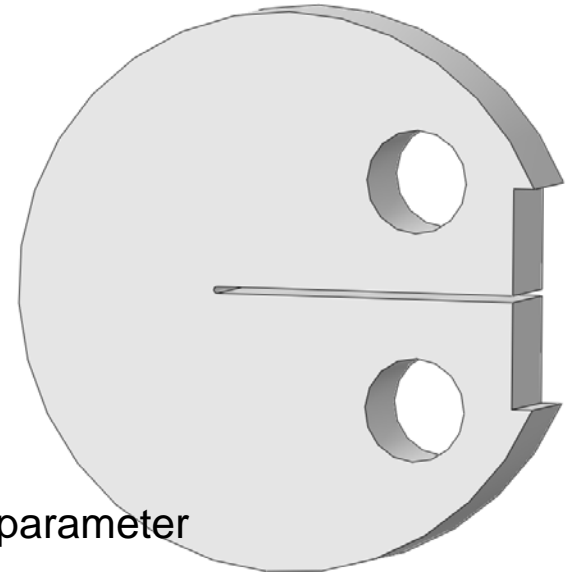


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To do:

- Find best boundary conditions for simulations
- Test model with BC's in FRANC3D and compare with handbook solutions
- Perform isothermal tension/compression testings at RT, 500C, 750C and in [001], [011] and [111]
- Get material model for single-crystals working in ABAQUS
- Calibrate model with material parameters
- Generate crack growth parameter



# Teaching activities in 2015

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- TMHL14 – DPU basic course for 1 class, VT1
  - TMHL62 – Advanced FEM laborations, VT2
  - TMHL22 – M basic course lessons for 2 classes, HT1
  - TMHL19 – Advanced material and computational mechanics laborations, HT1

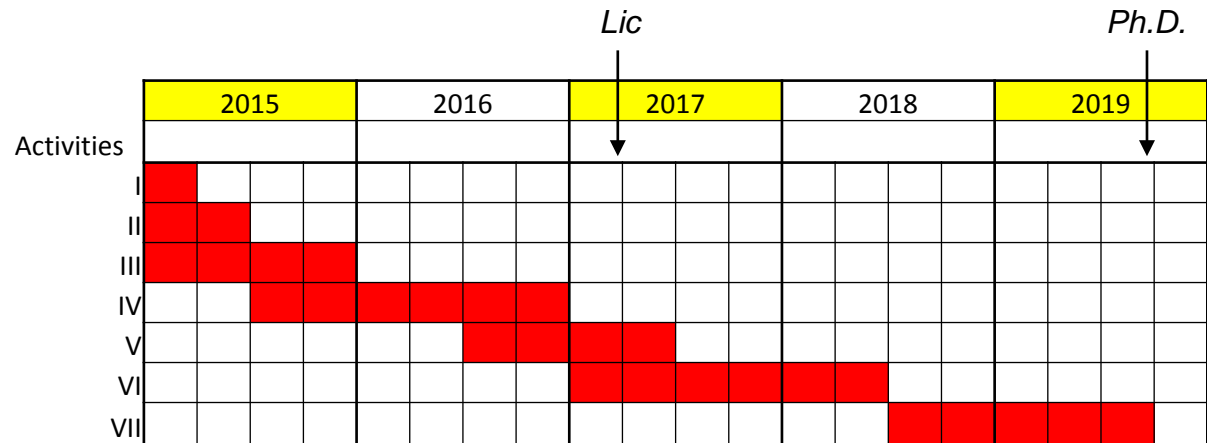
# Ph.D. courses

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- Advanced FEM, 10P
  - Continuum mechanics, 10P
  - Material models, 10P
  - Superalloys, 8P
  - Fatigue, 10P
  - Methodology / Ethics, 6P
  - Pedagogics I, 6P
  - Total: 60P

# Future Work

## Project Plan

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- I : Finishing paper on IN718 LCF crack growth (master thesis)
- II : Finishing TMF crack growth investigations on IN792 and write paper
- III : Pacman simulations of LCF tests on STAL15 SX
- IV : TMF crack propagation behaviour, Hold-time and creep influences
- V : Same as IV but aging is considered
- VI : More component like geometries are considered
- VII: Open





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