

A novel approach of using existing model implementations in any numerical code interfacing with MFront

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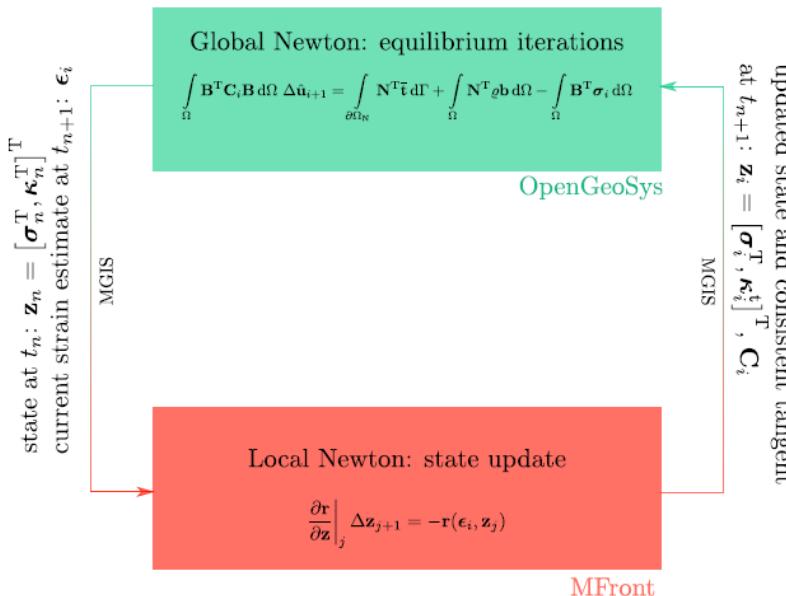
Motivation

- The development of constitutive modelling is a tedious task reserved to experienced engineers and scientists
- Numerous software companies developed workflows to help engineers to implement their user-defined models within these codes
- However problems arise when in the scope of safety critical applications two-men-rules have to be applied and several software have to be used
 - ➡ Same models must be develop in different software
- The development of the same model in different codes requires more resources, longer time and is prone to errors
- A novel approach of using existing model implementations in any numerical code interfacing with Mfront is presented

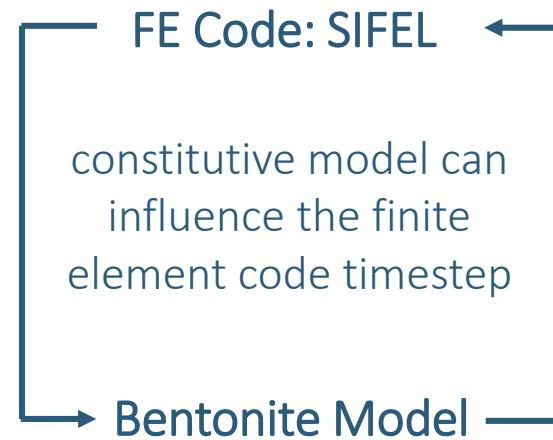
Conceptual approach

- Goal: How to use a bentonite model developed for the FE-code SIFEL in the FE-code OpenGeoSys (OGS)?

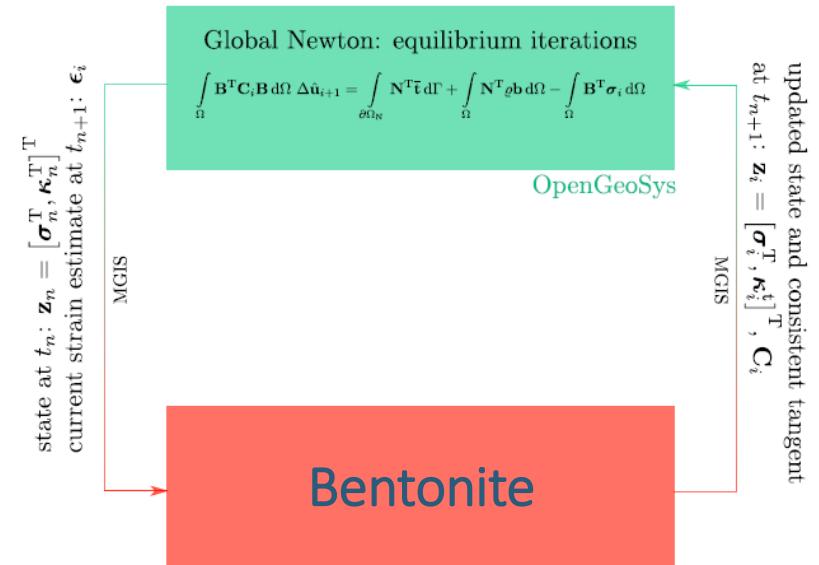
Model implementation in OGS



Actual implementation of the model in FE-Code SIFEL

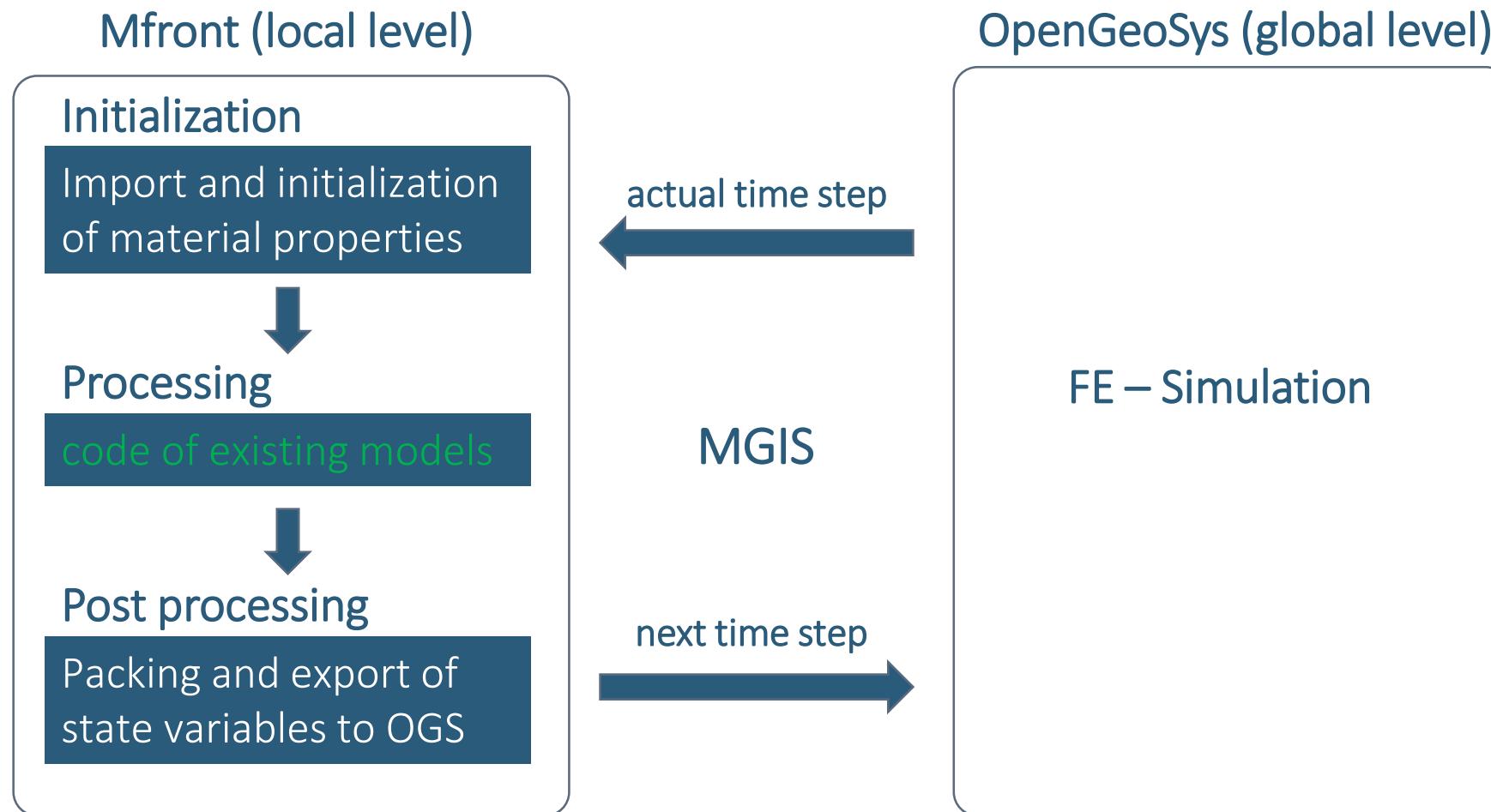


Integration of the bentonite model in Mfront



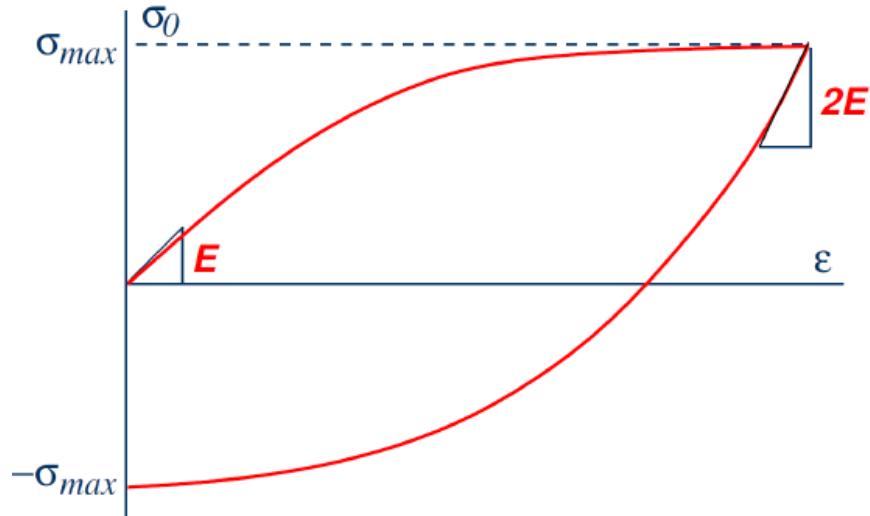
Implementation of a wrapper-interface in Mfront

- The implementation consists of „wrapping“ the existing code of the model in Mfront



Test of the wrapper using the hypoplastic model for clays

- The hypoplastic model for clays*



- Simple 1D hypoplastic model for shear:

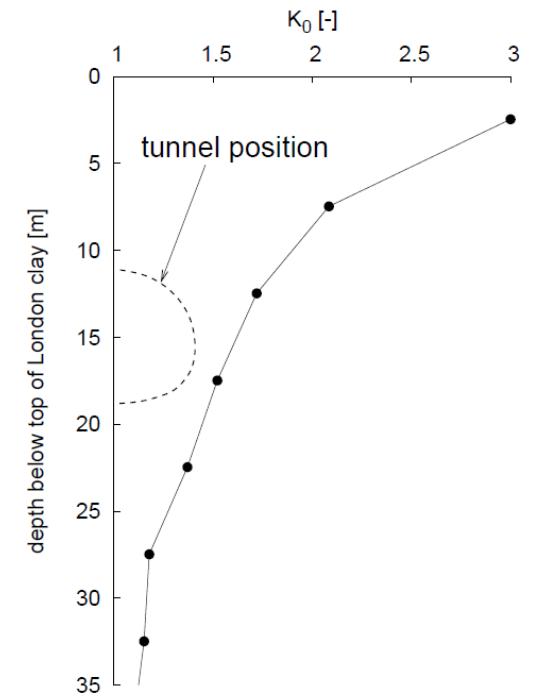
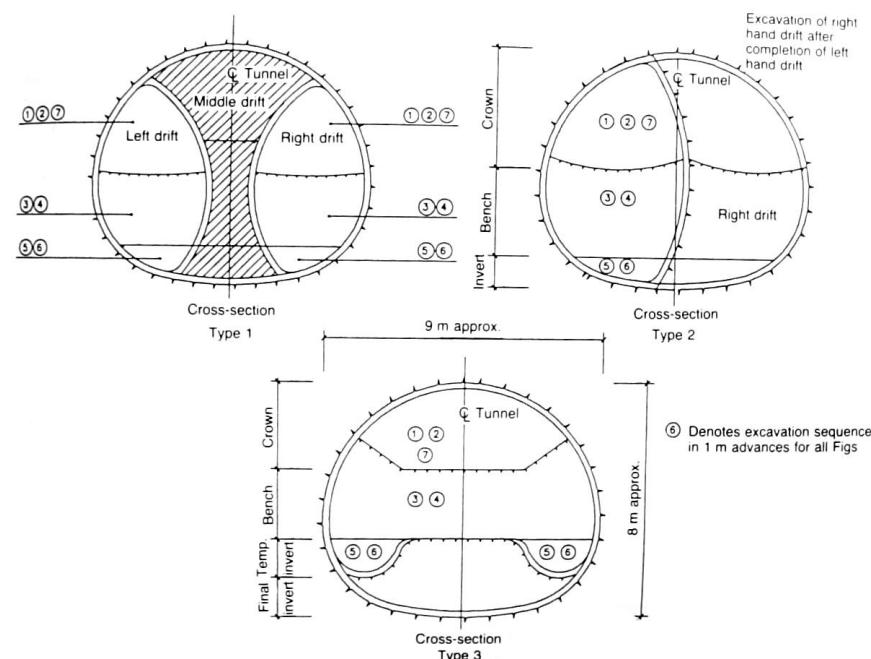
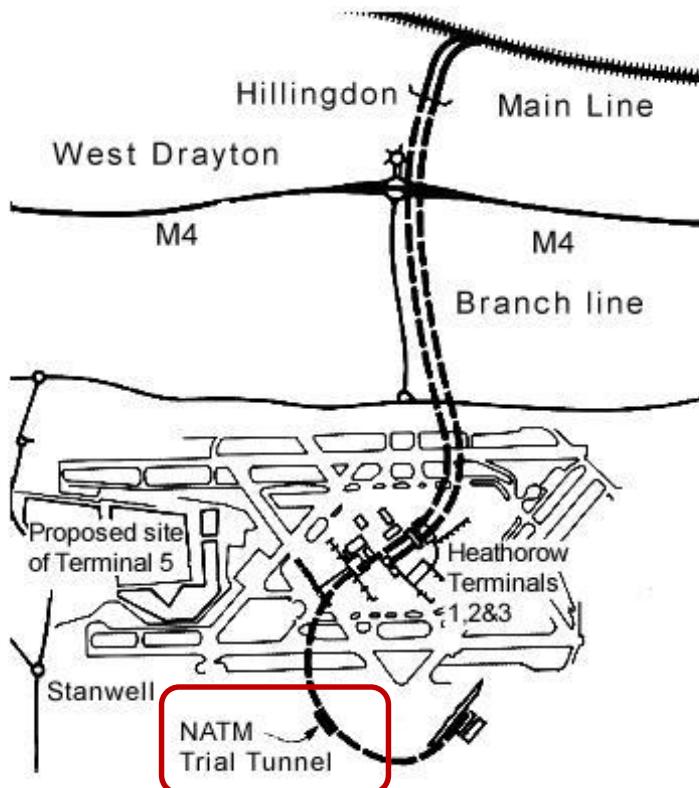
$$\dot{\sigma} = f_s(\mathcal{L} : \dot{\epsilon} + f_d \mathbf{N} \|\dot{\epsilon}\|)$$

- When $\sigma = 0$ and loading ($\Delta\epsilon > 0$), then stiffness is E .
- When $\sigma = \sigma_{max}$ and loading, then stiffness is 0 (failure predicted): σ_{max} is approached *asymptotically*.
- When $\sigma = \sigma_{max}$ and unloading, then stiffness is $2E$.

*Masin, D. (2014). Géotechnique 64, No. 3, 232–238 [<http://dx.doi.org/10.1680/geot.13.P.065>] TECHNICAL NOTE

Model applications

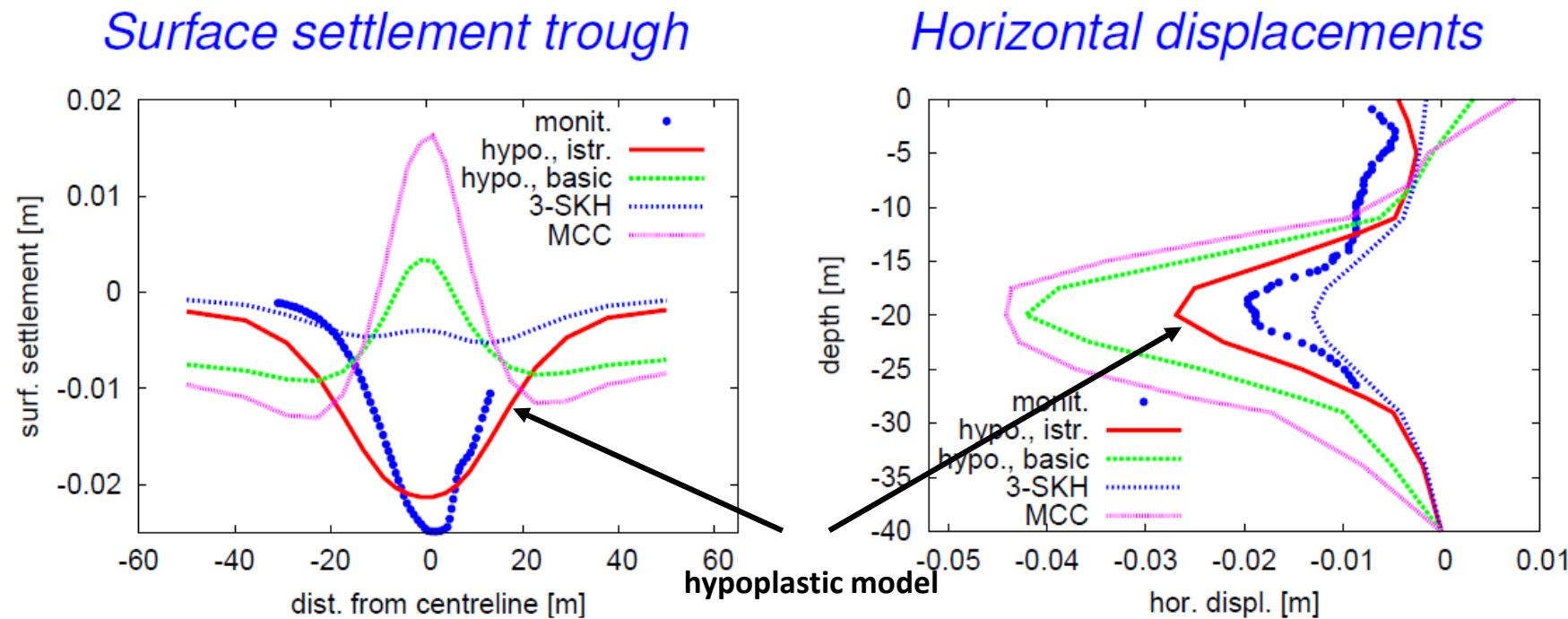
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Quantitative comparison of predictions and monitoring



Model applications

- Excavation of Komorany tunnel in sand, Prague

The excavation is 170 m long, 50 m wide and up to 30 m deep



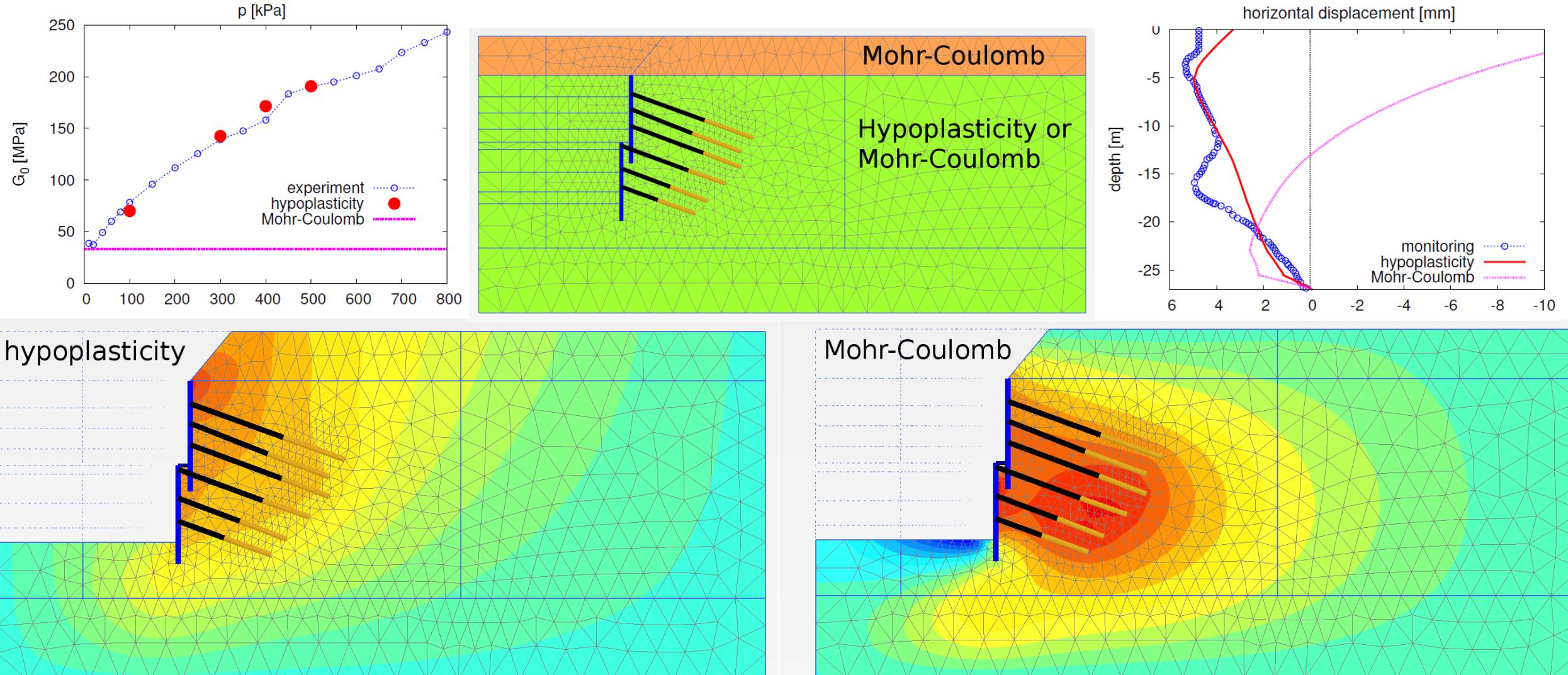
Zakladani staveb (2008)

Two types of support: Corner area supported by bored pile wall, the rest of the excavation supported by timber lagging wall.



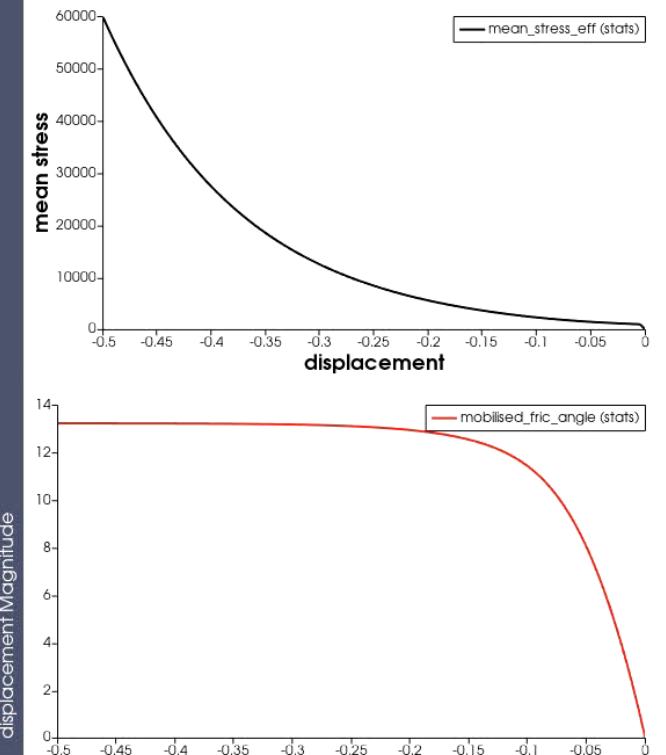
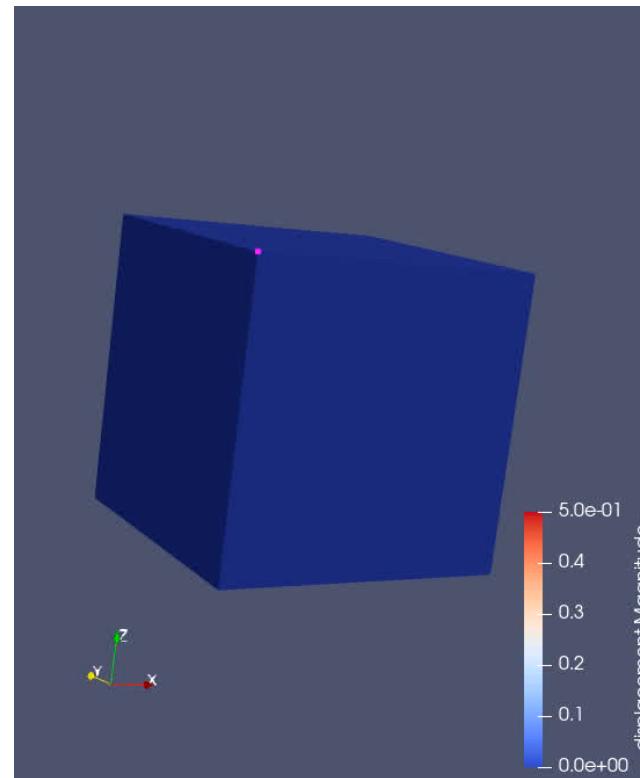
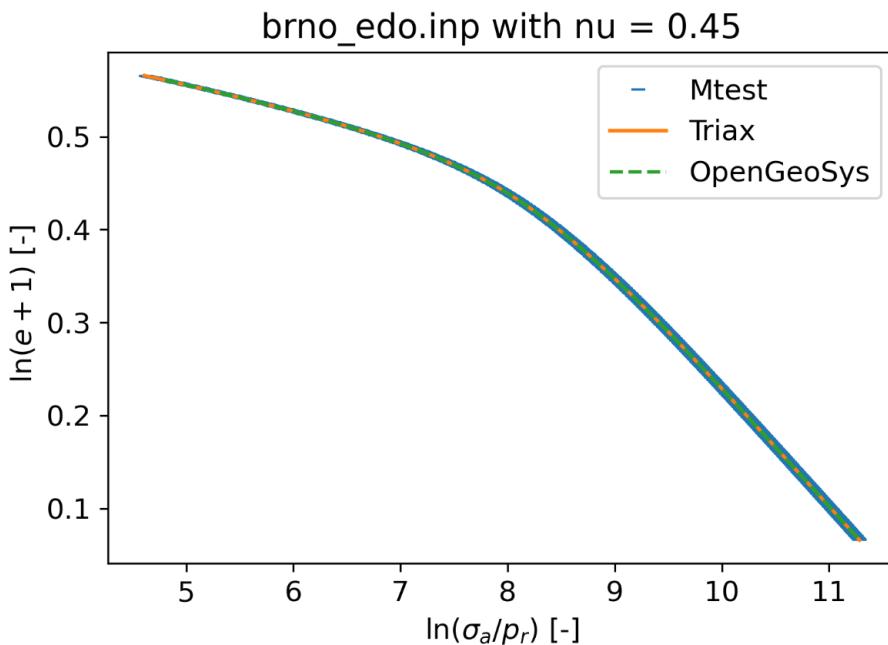
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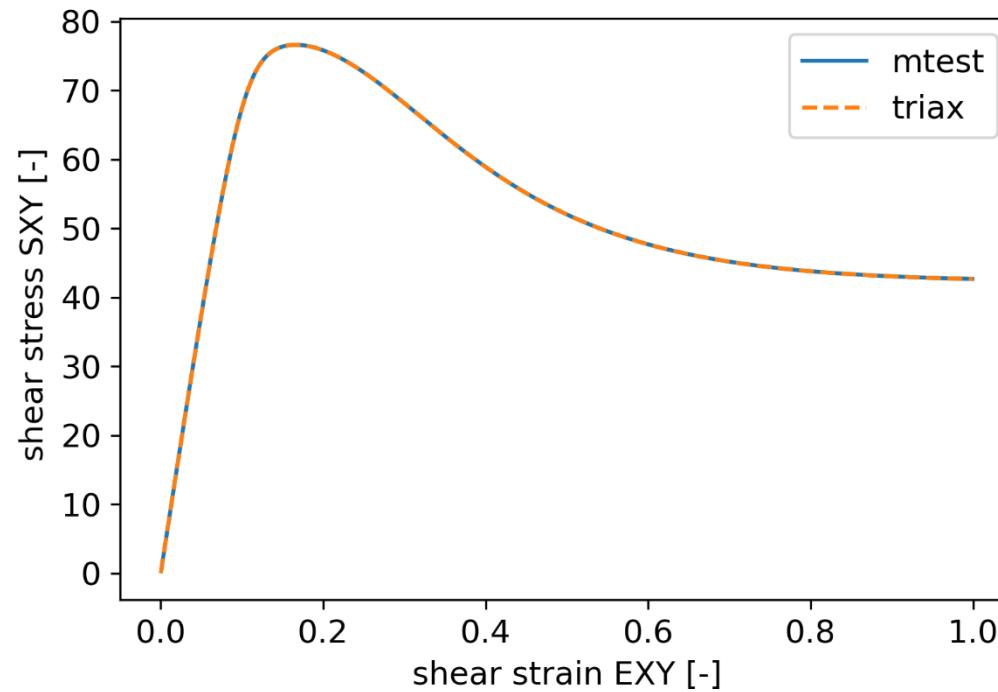
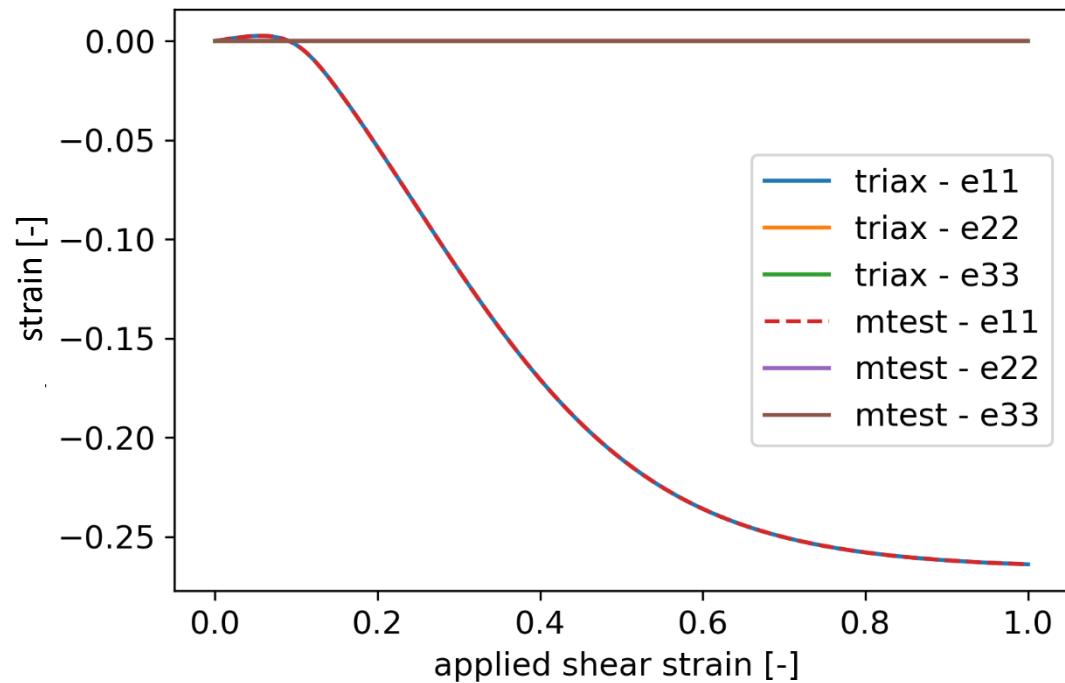
Tests at the local level

- **Triaxial compression test:** test of the volumetric behaviour of the model



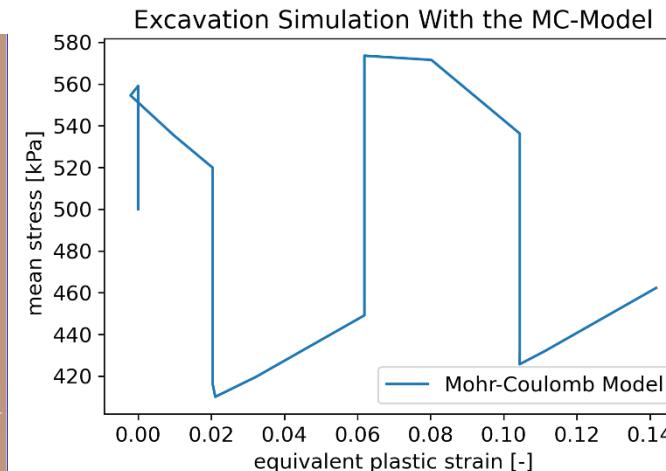
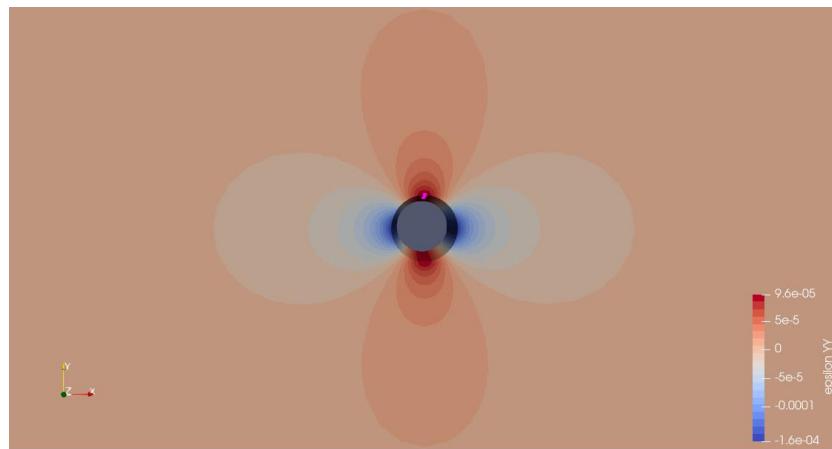
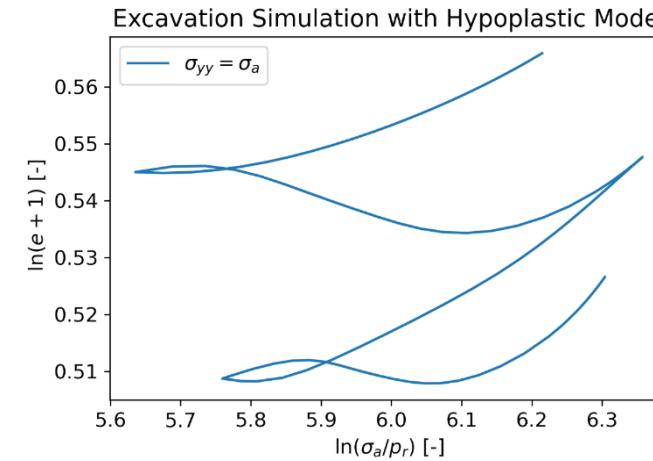
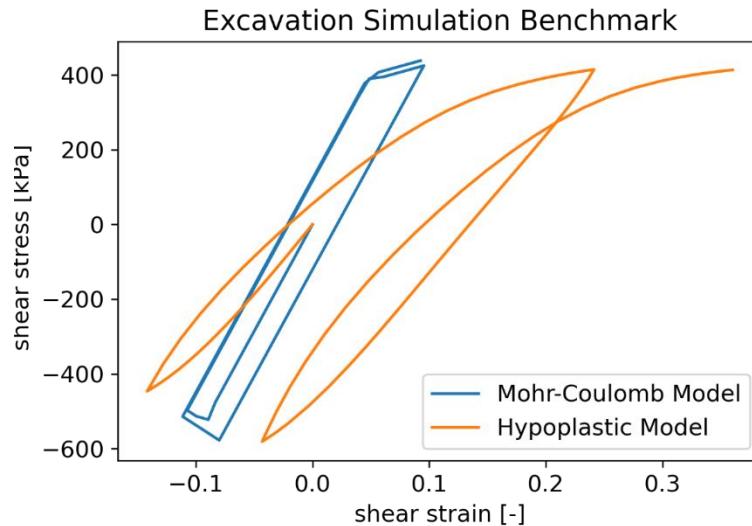
Tests at the local level

- Shear test: test of the deviatoric behaviour of the model



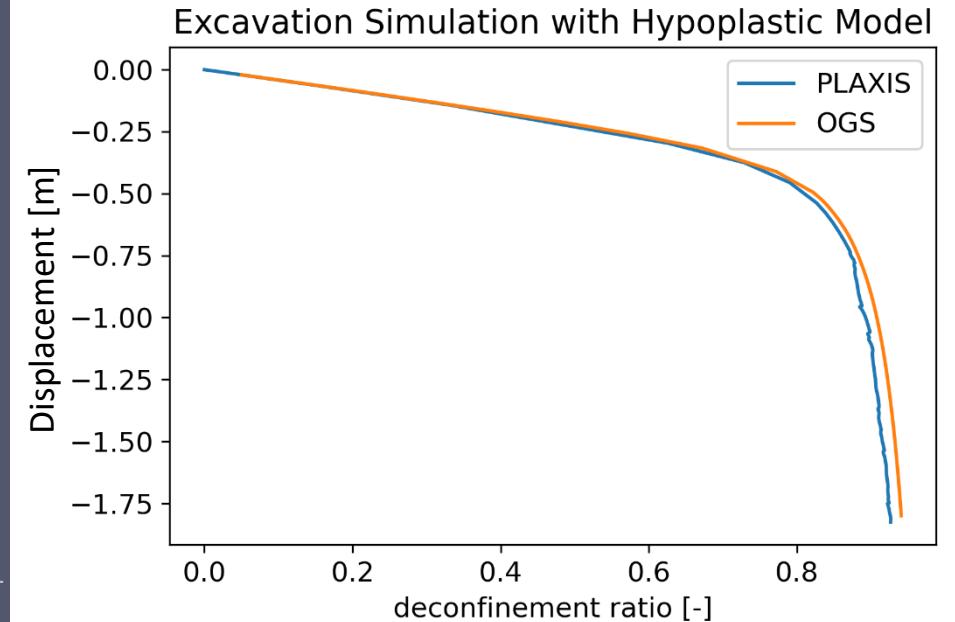
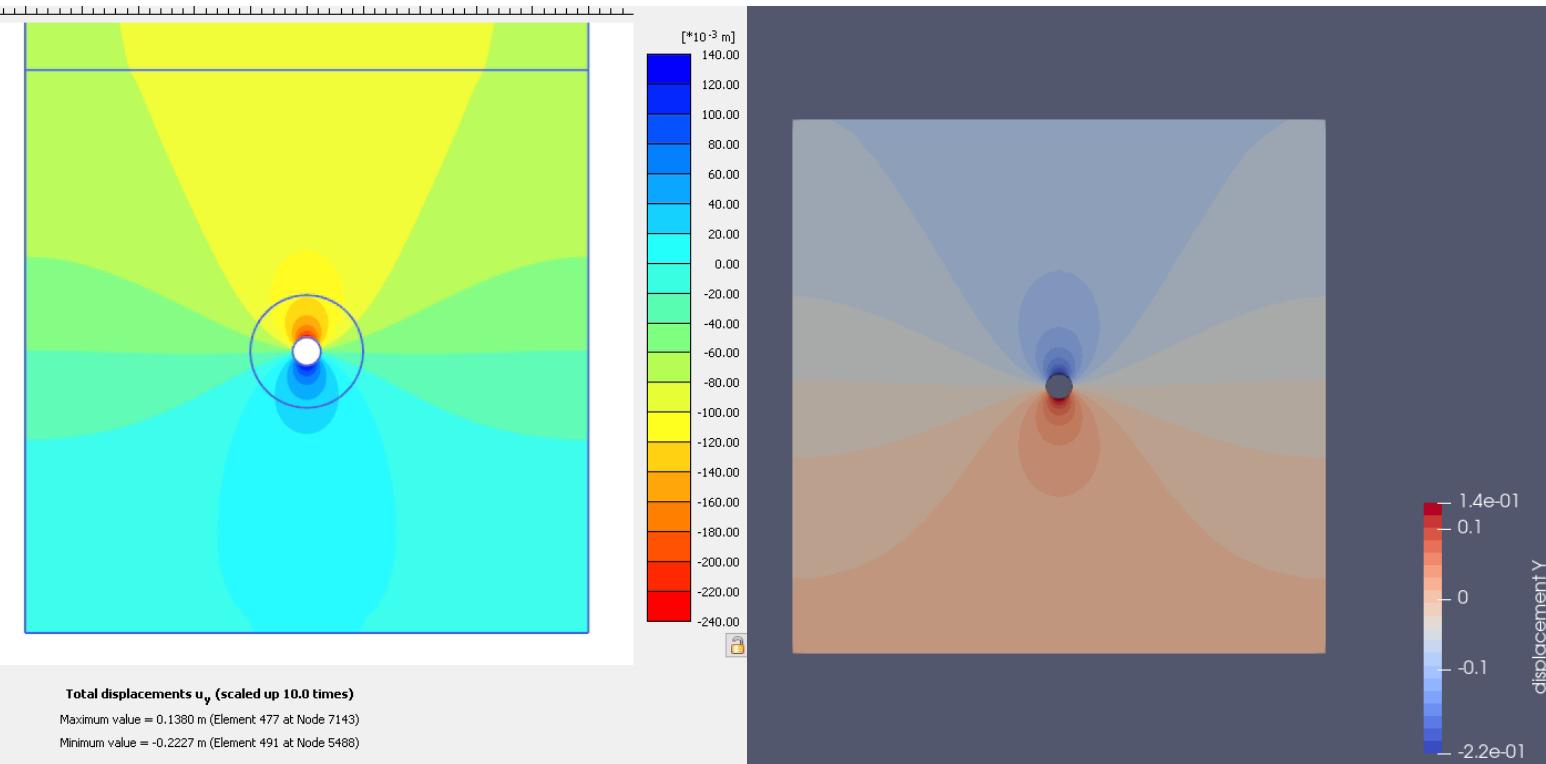
Tests at global level

- Loading cycle test at the contour of a tunnel in clay medium :
 - Model benchmark: hypoplastic model vs. elasto-plastic Mohr Coulomb model



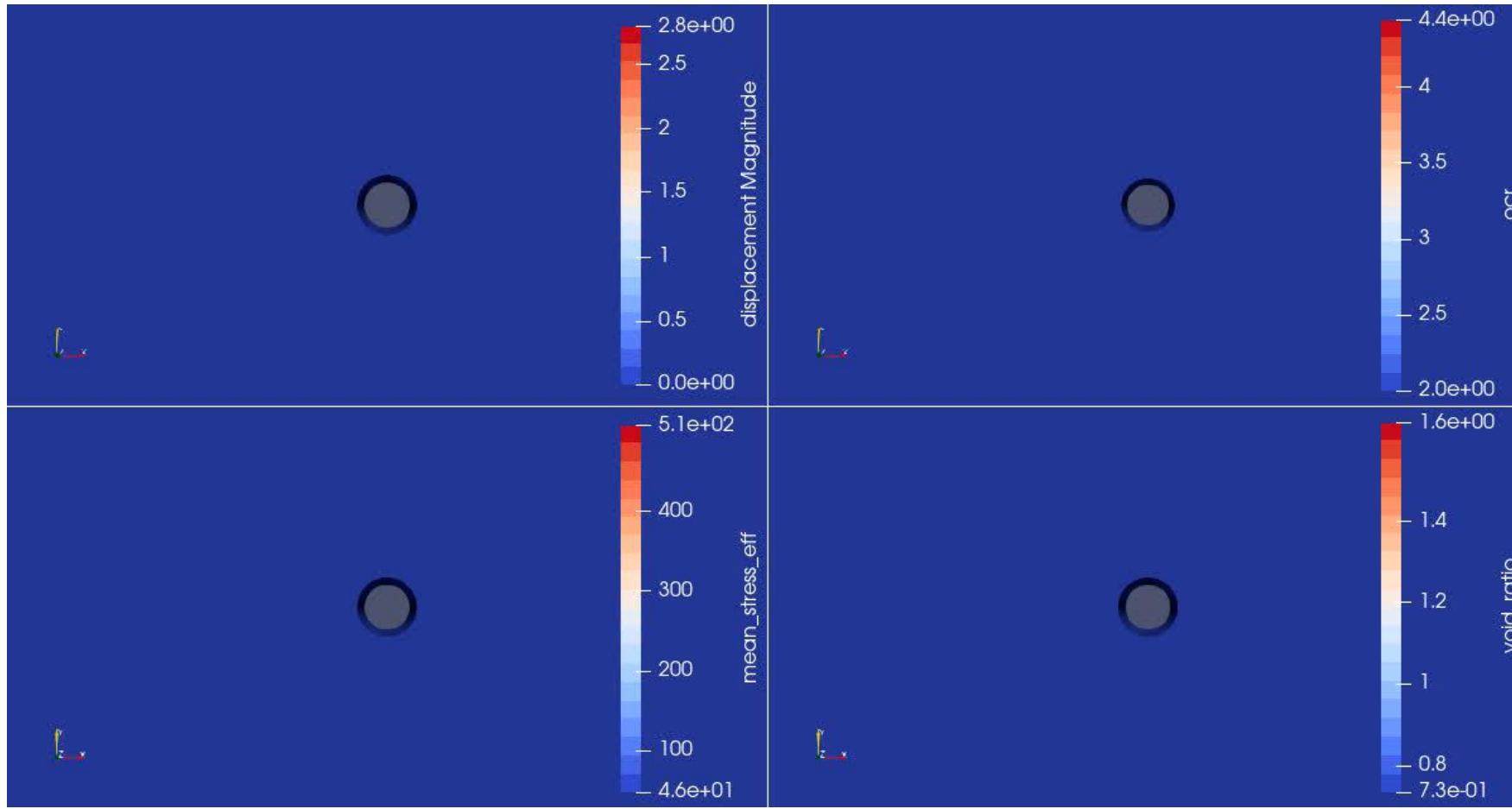
Tests at global level

- Excavation simulation of a tunnel in clay medium :
 - Software benchmark: Comparison PLAXIS vs. OGS



Tests at global level

- Excavation simulation of a tunnel in clay medium :
 - Visualisation of the state variables of the model



Outlook

- The feasibility of the proposed approach has been demonstrated
- The approach has been tested so far with UMAT-, C++- and Fortran-models → the approach is universally applicable
- The hypoplastic model now available in OGS will be used for benchmark activities in the EURAD project: Modelling of EDZ in BOOM (WP HITEC)
- The approach will be tested for more complex models (with double porosity) and for coupled processes (THM)

Next steps

- MGIS Interface between OGS and Mfront works actually with mechanical models only
- OpenGeoSys does not take into account models with a double porosity structure
- Thus, further developments are needed in OGS prior to the implementation of more complex models
- The THM-model of bentonite with double structure porosity will be made available in OGS using the proposed approach



Thank you for your attention!