



PERIPROSTHETIC FRACTURE MODELLING USING A COMBINED FINITE ELEMENT – SMOOTH PARTICLE HYDRODYNAMIC METHOD

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Introduction

- PPFs are the third most common reason for revision surgeries (Maier, 2015)
- High rate of PFFs during the early postoperative (EP) period (Abdel et al., 2016)
- Due to the lack of bone ingrowth in EP period the interface mechanics is important
- Computer models can aid in understanding EP fractures



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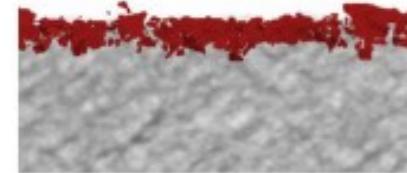


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- During the stem insertion, highly deformed trabecular bone transforms into bone debris
- Previous studies use element erosion strategy (Miles et al, 2015; Ovesy, 2020).
- Element erosion cause unphysical material loss.

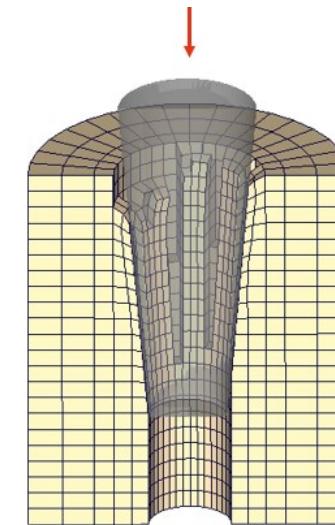
Aim:

Develop and validate a model to simulate stem insertion and predict PPFs using a combined approach based on finite element (FE) and smoothed particle hydrodynamics (SPH) methods



Bone Debris

Bone debris formations
(Bätz et al., Clin. Biomech.,
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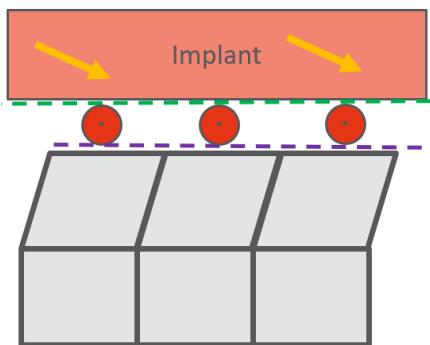
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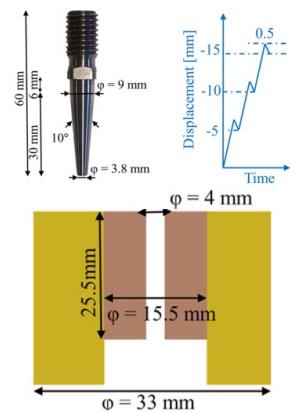
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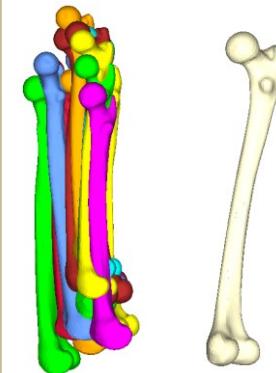
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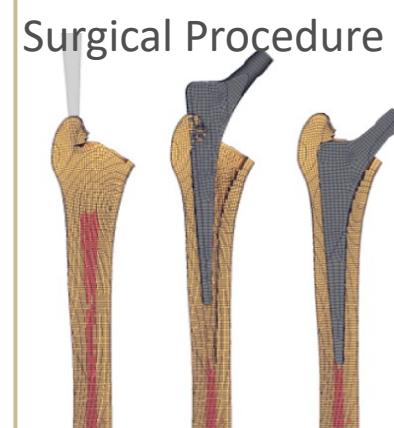
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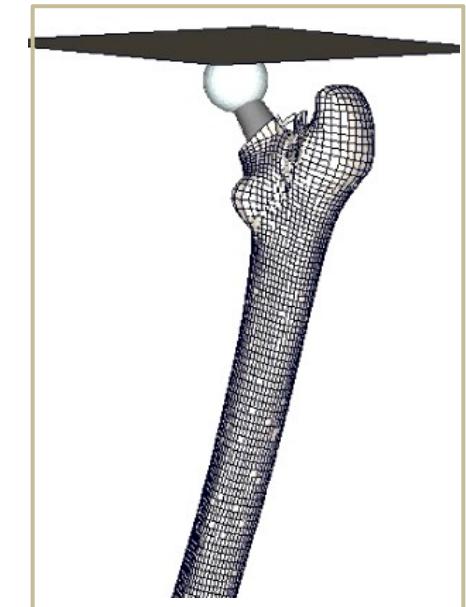


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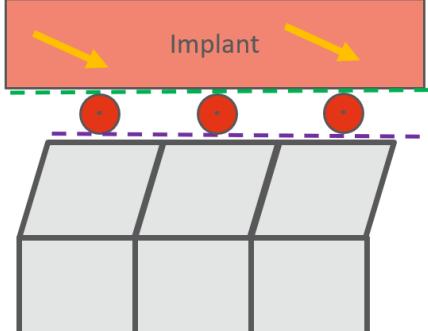




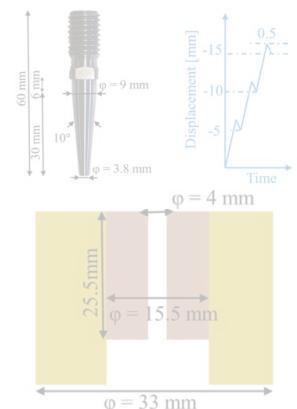
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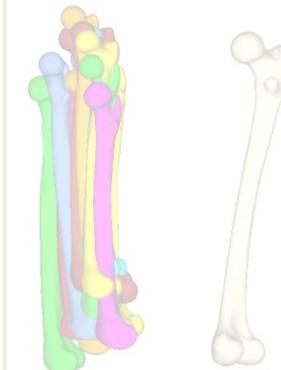
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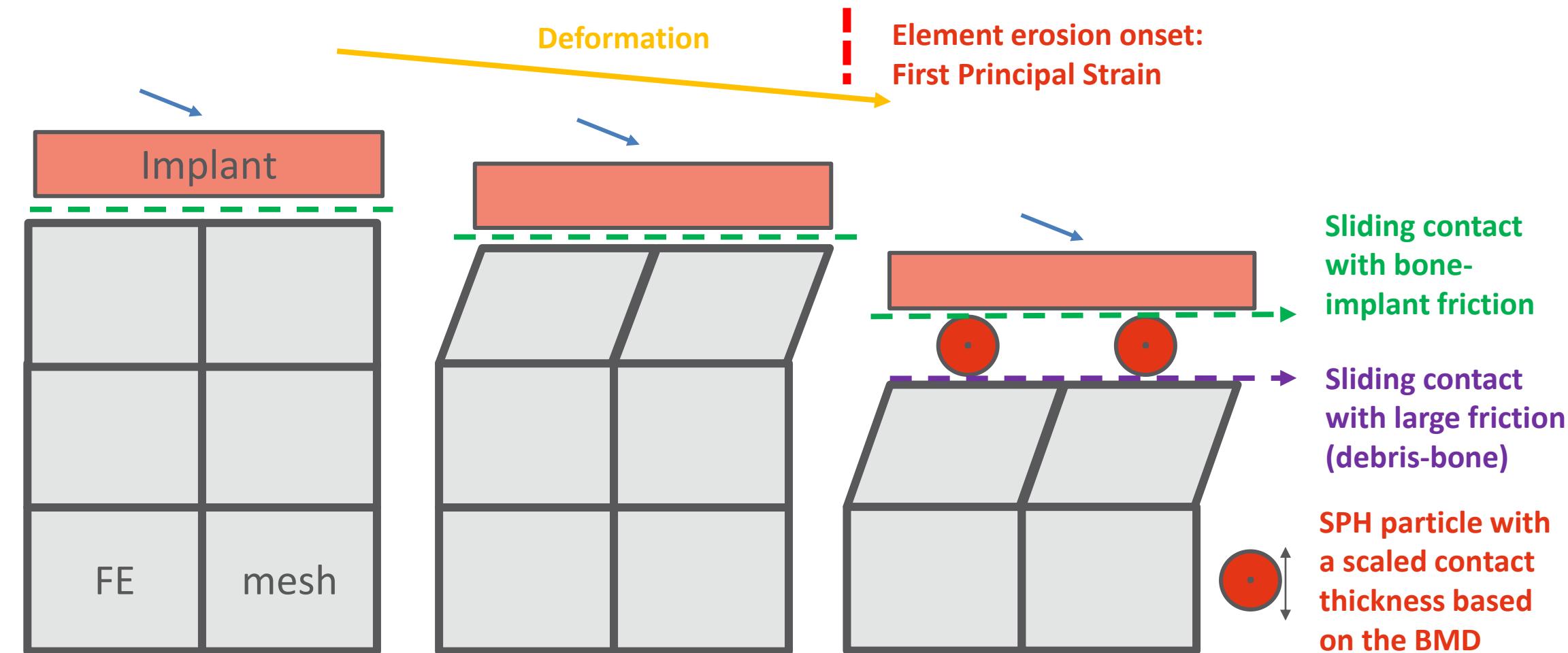
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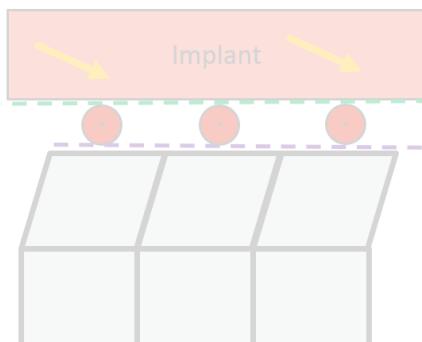




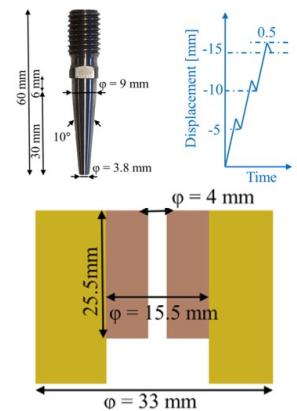
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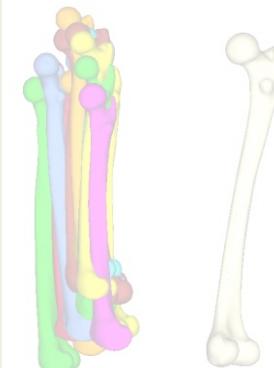
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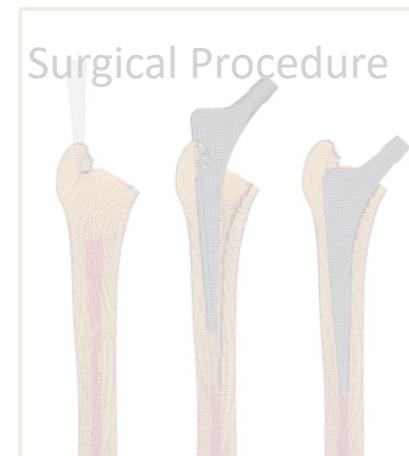
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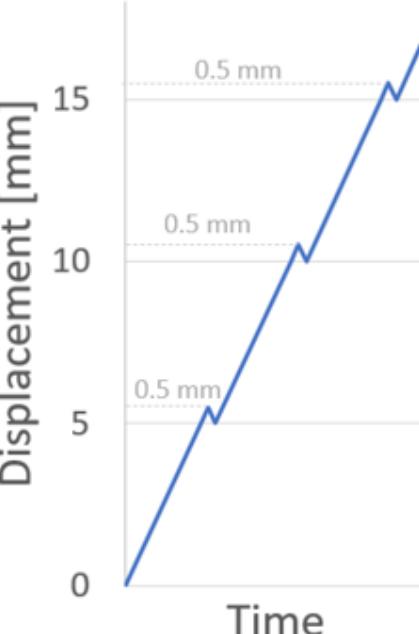
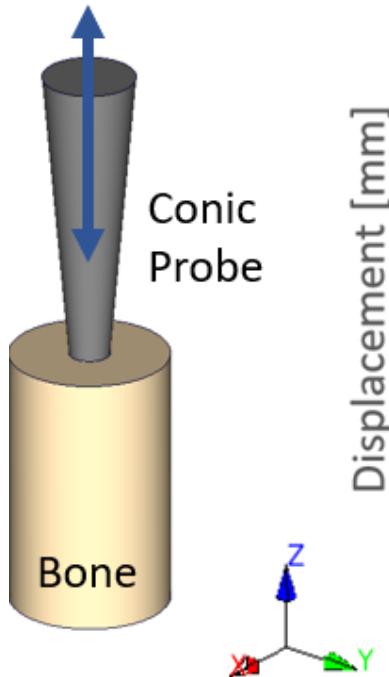
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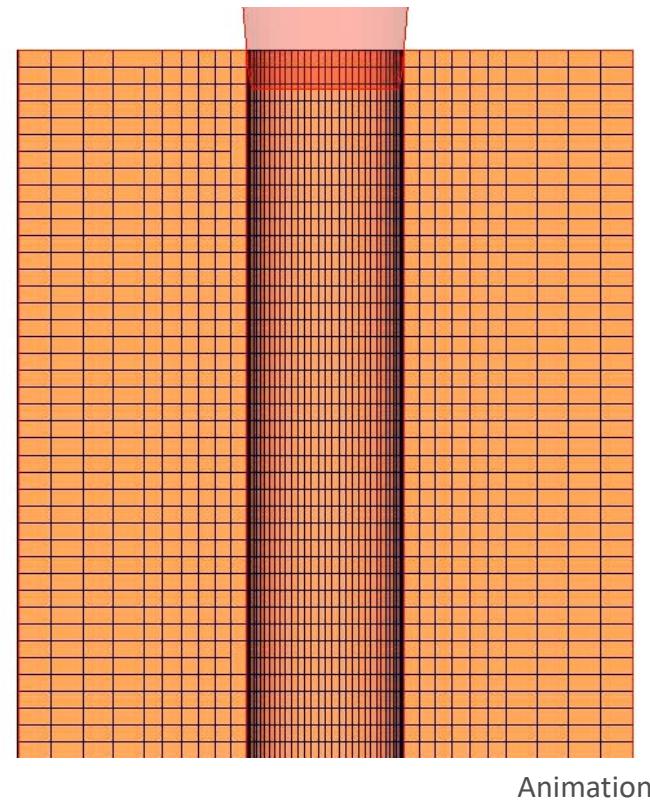


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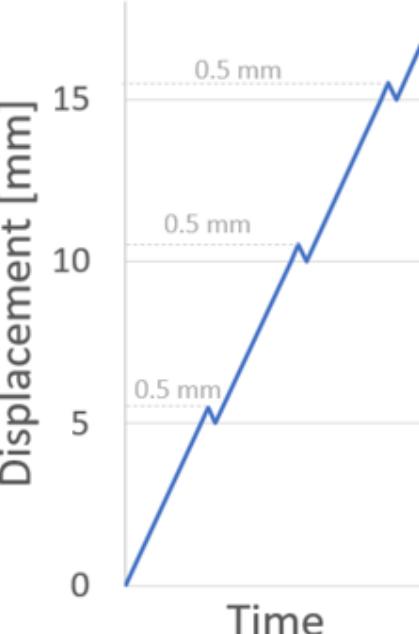
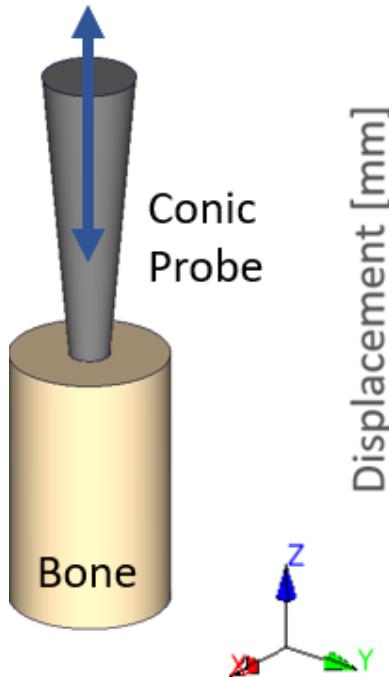
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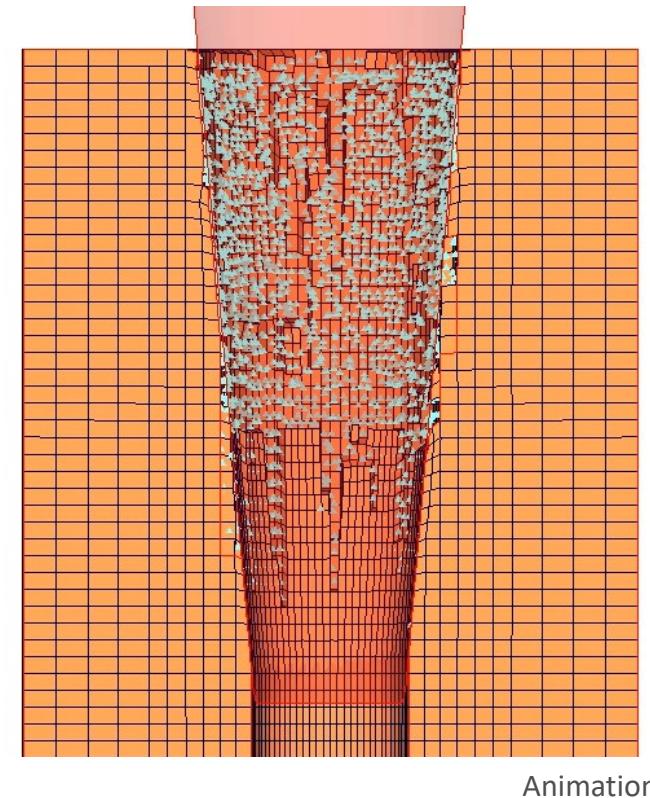


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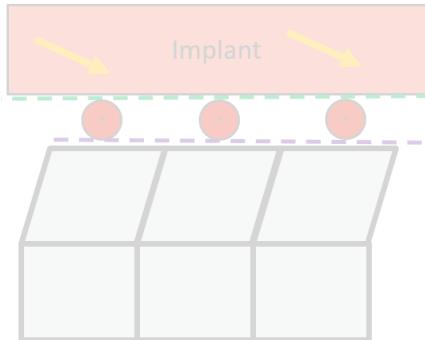
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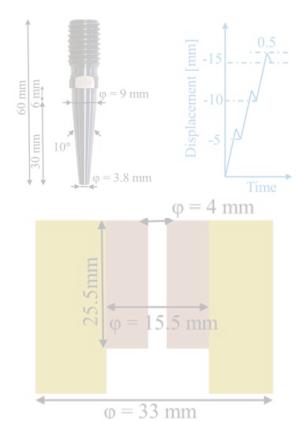
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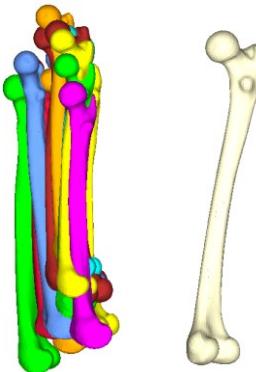
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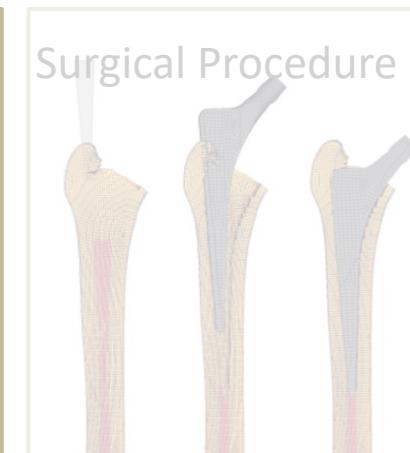
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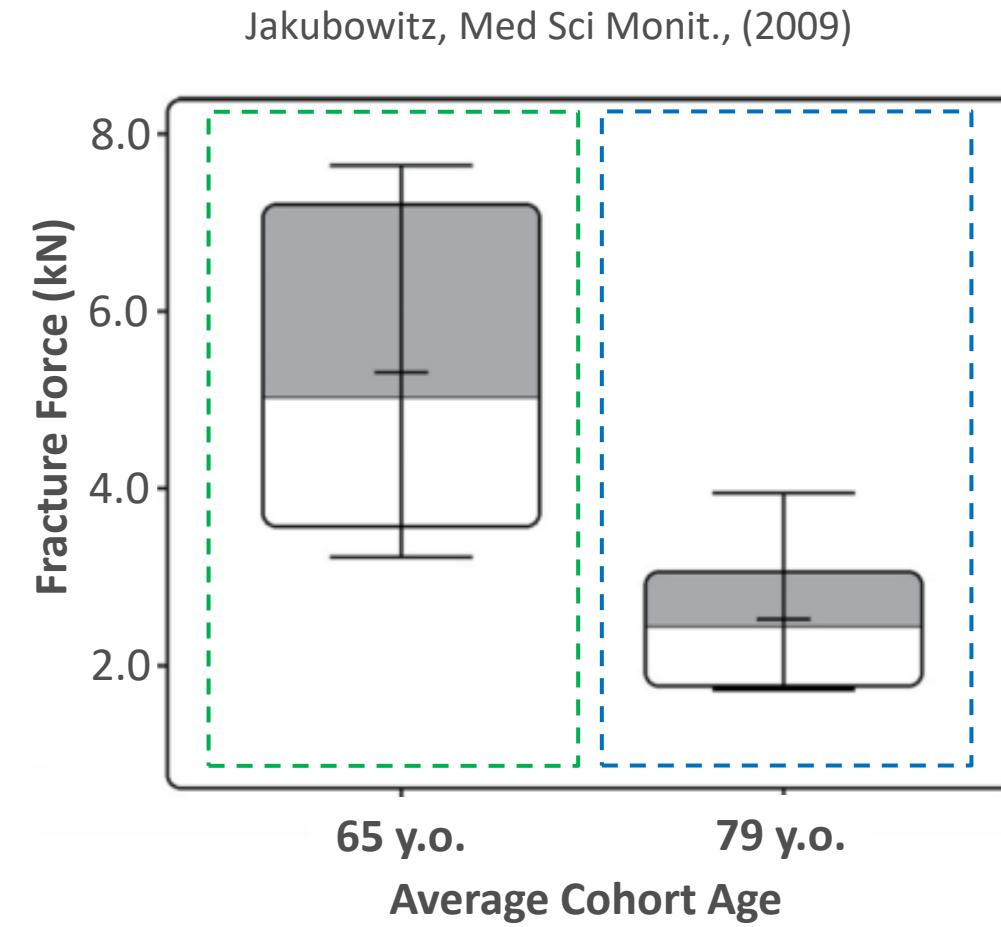
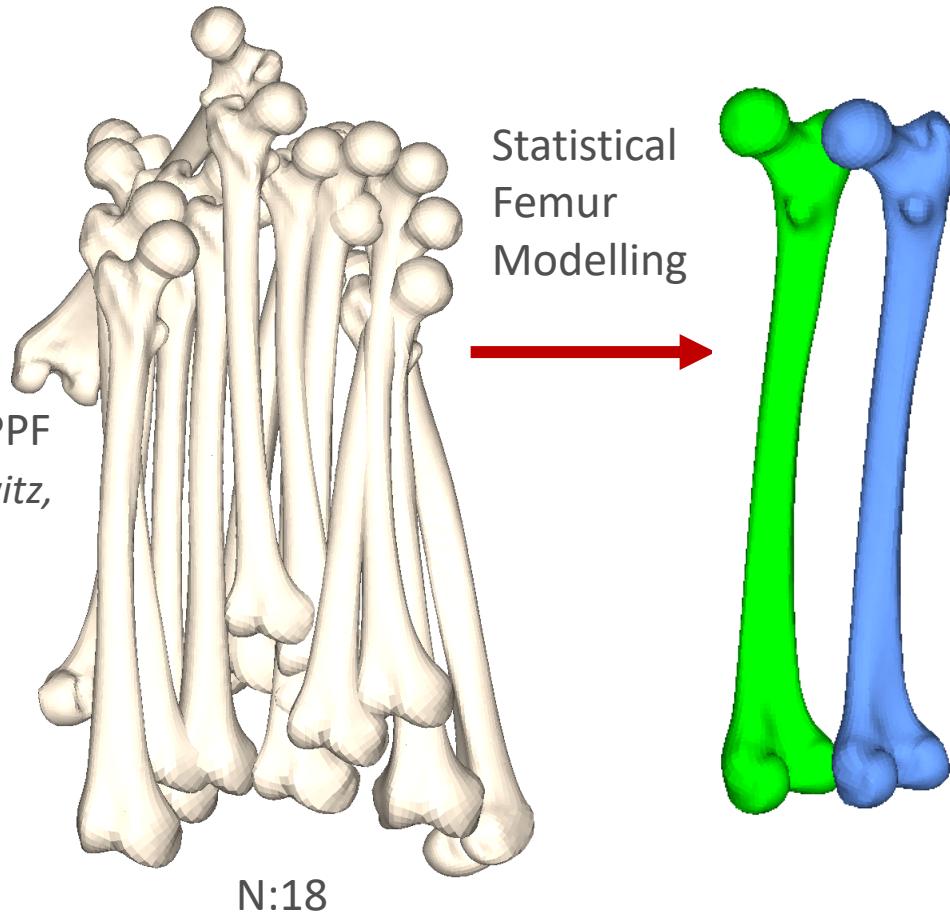
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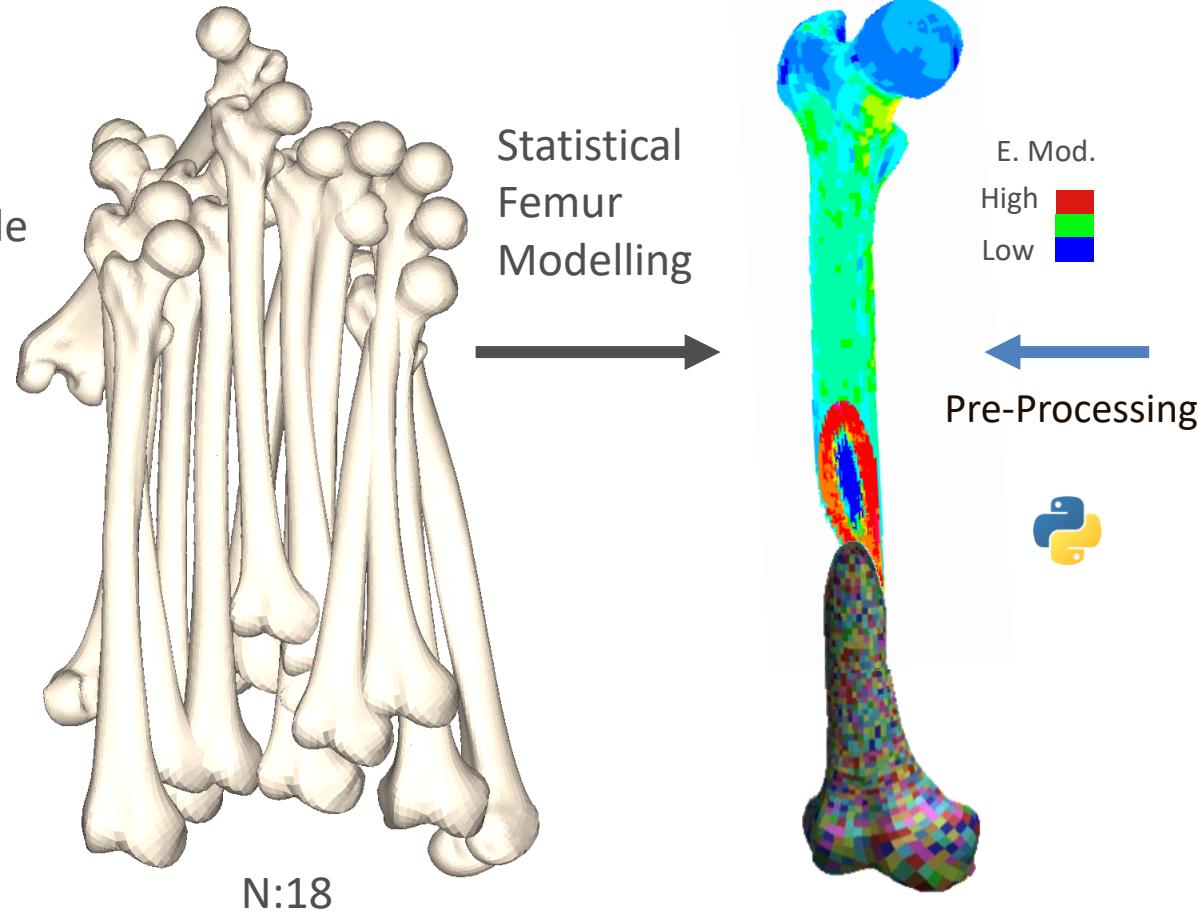
- Female femurs
- Age: **65** and **79** y.o.
- Cohort averages for PPF experiments (*Jakubowitz, 2009*)



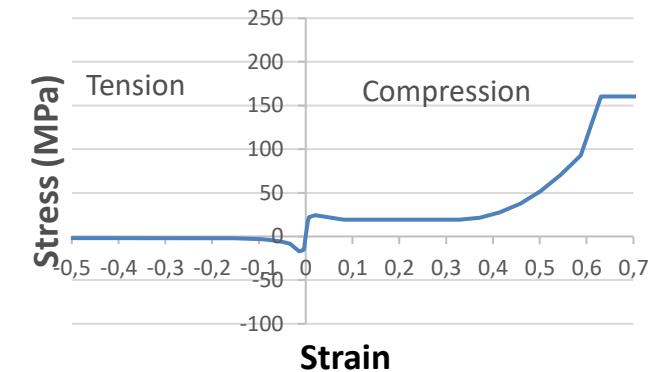


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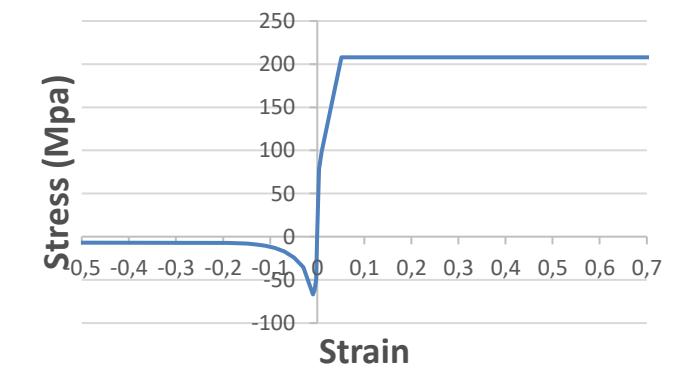
- Asymmetric Crushable foam -> Trabecular bone
- Asymmetric metal plasticity -> Cortical bone



Trabecular Bone: Crushable Foam



Cortical Bone: Metal Plasticity



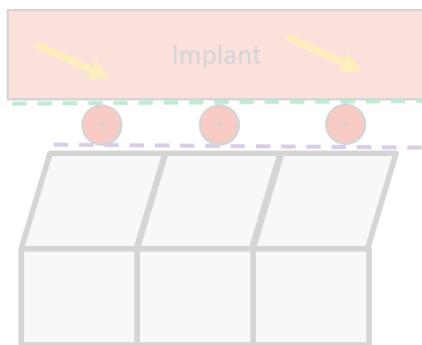
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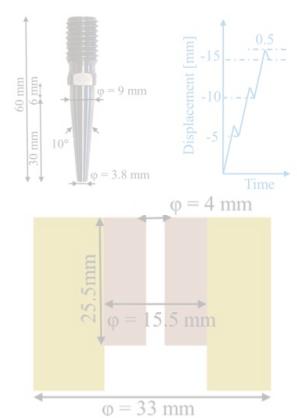
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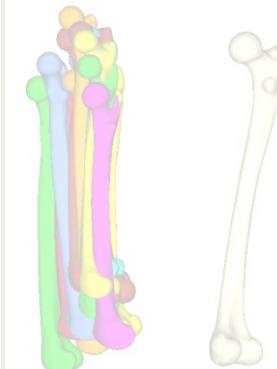
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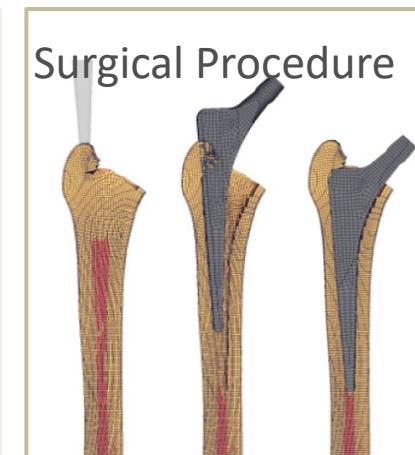
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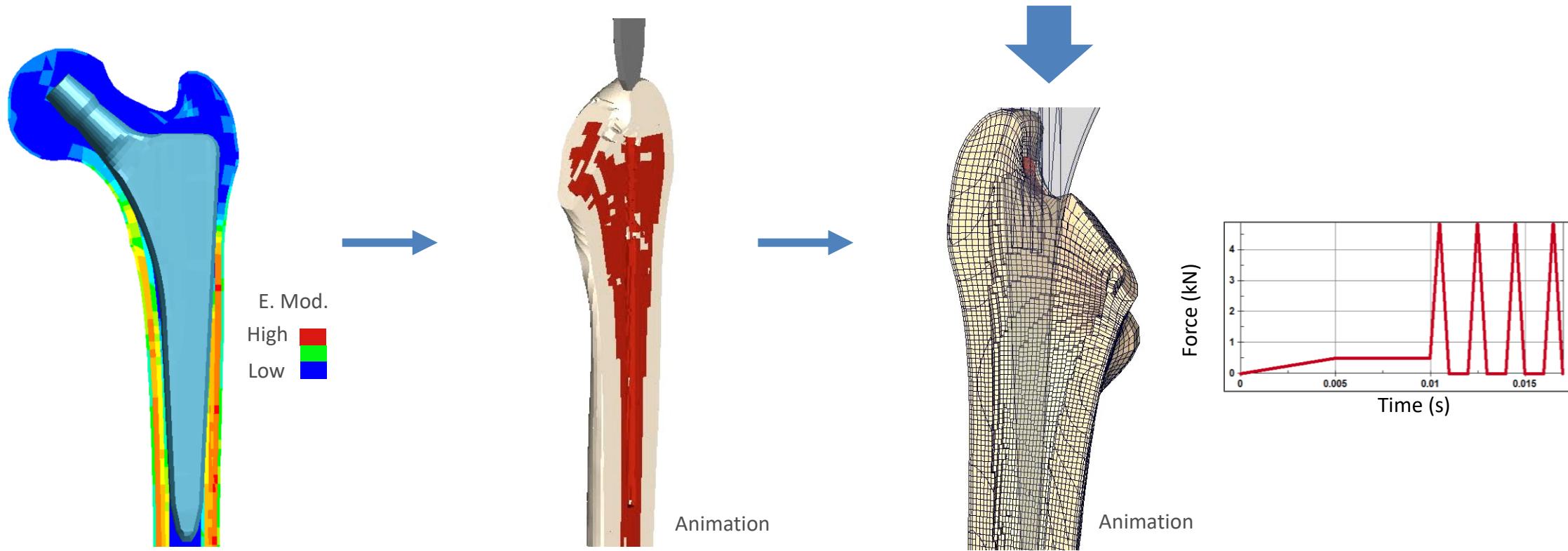


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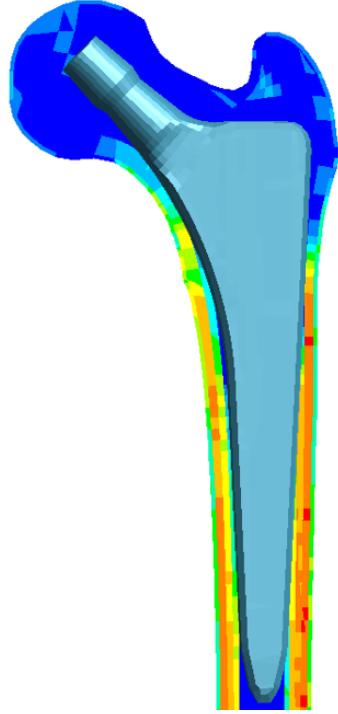
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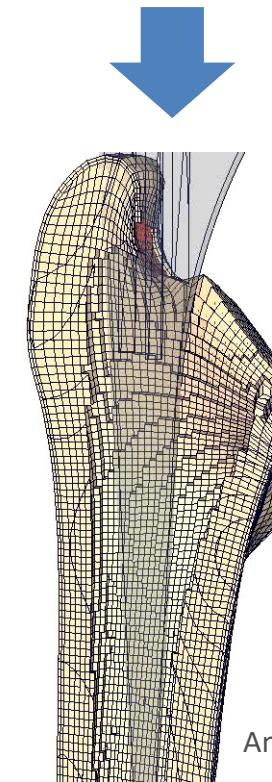
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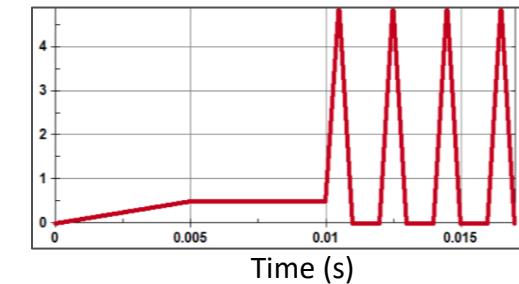
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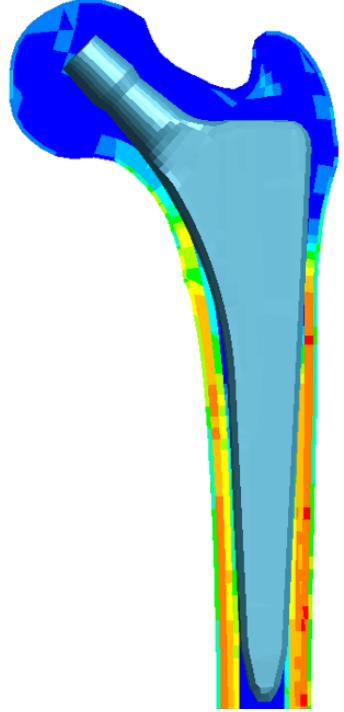
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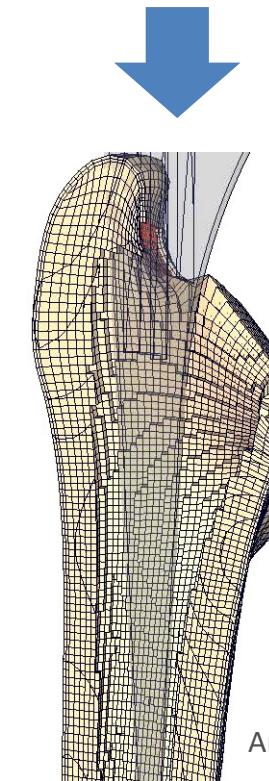
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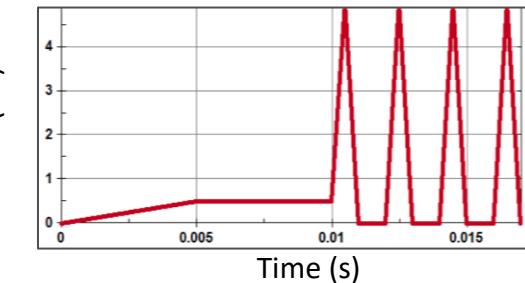
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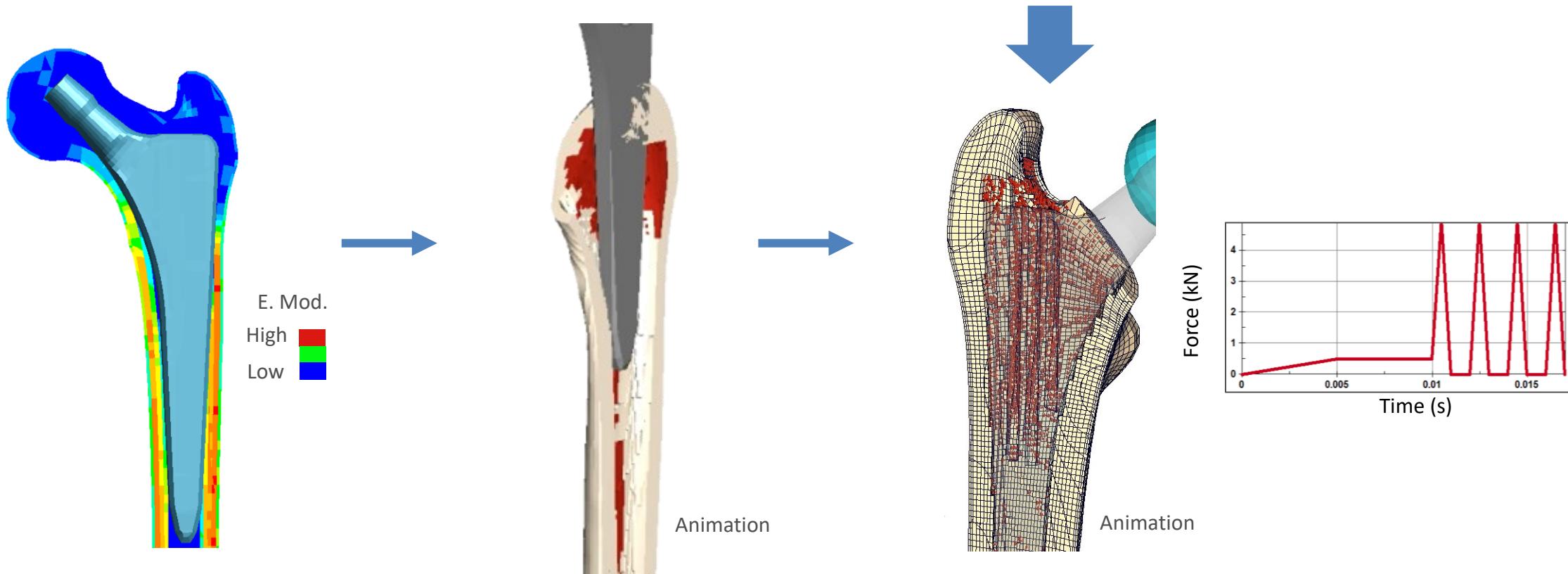
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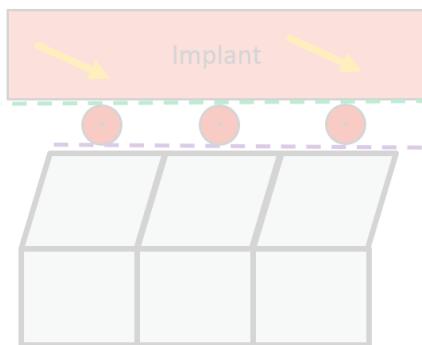
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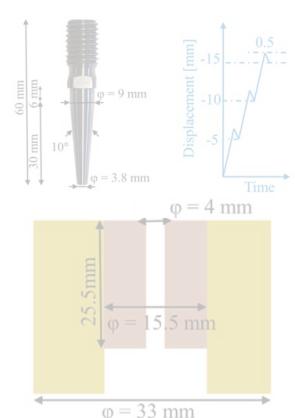
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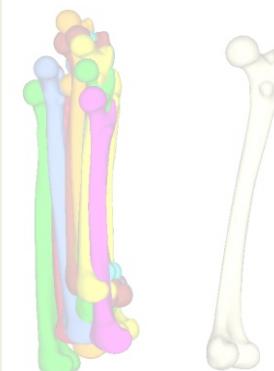
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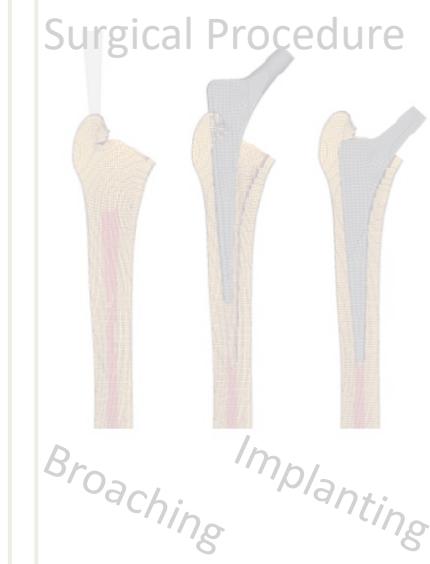


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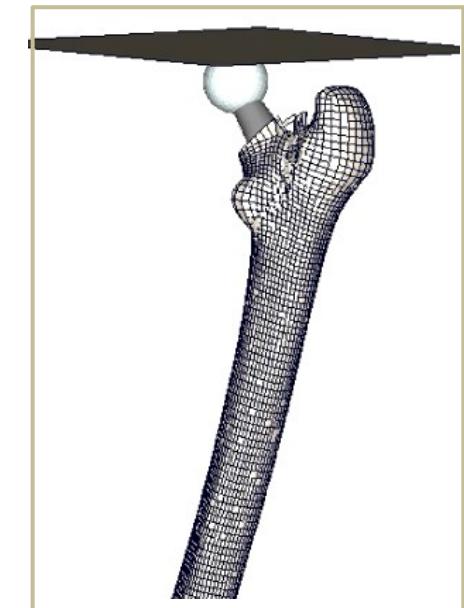


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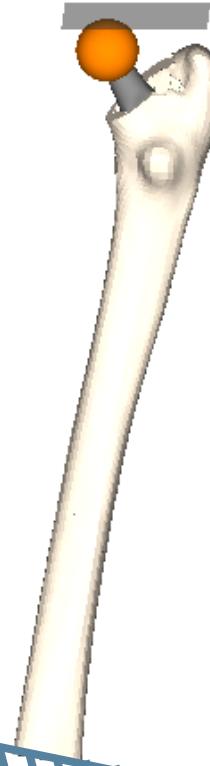
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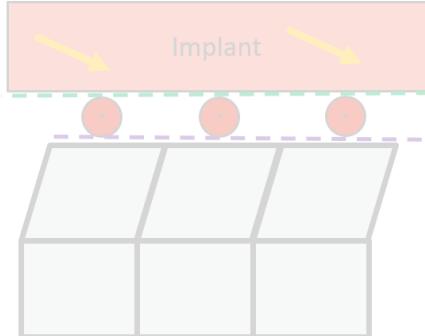




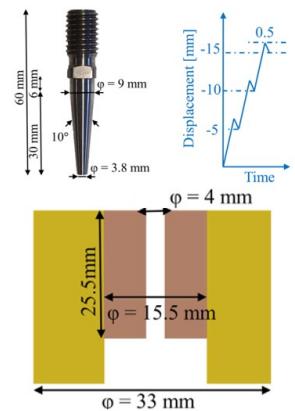
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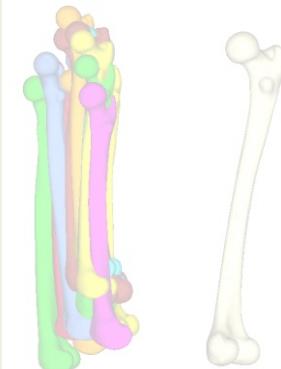
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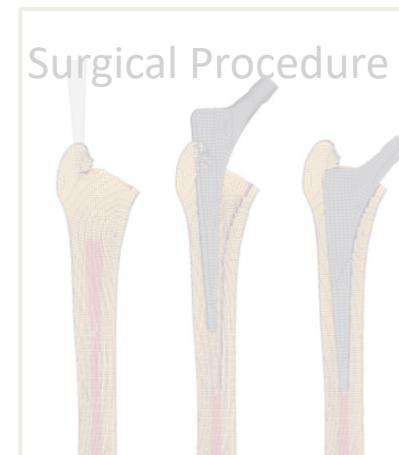
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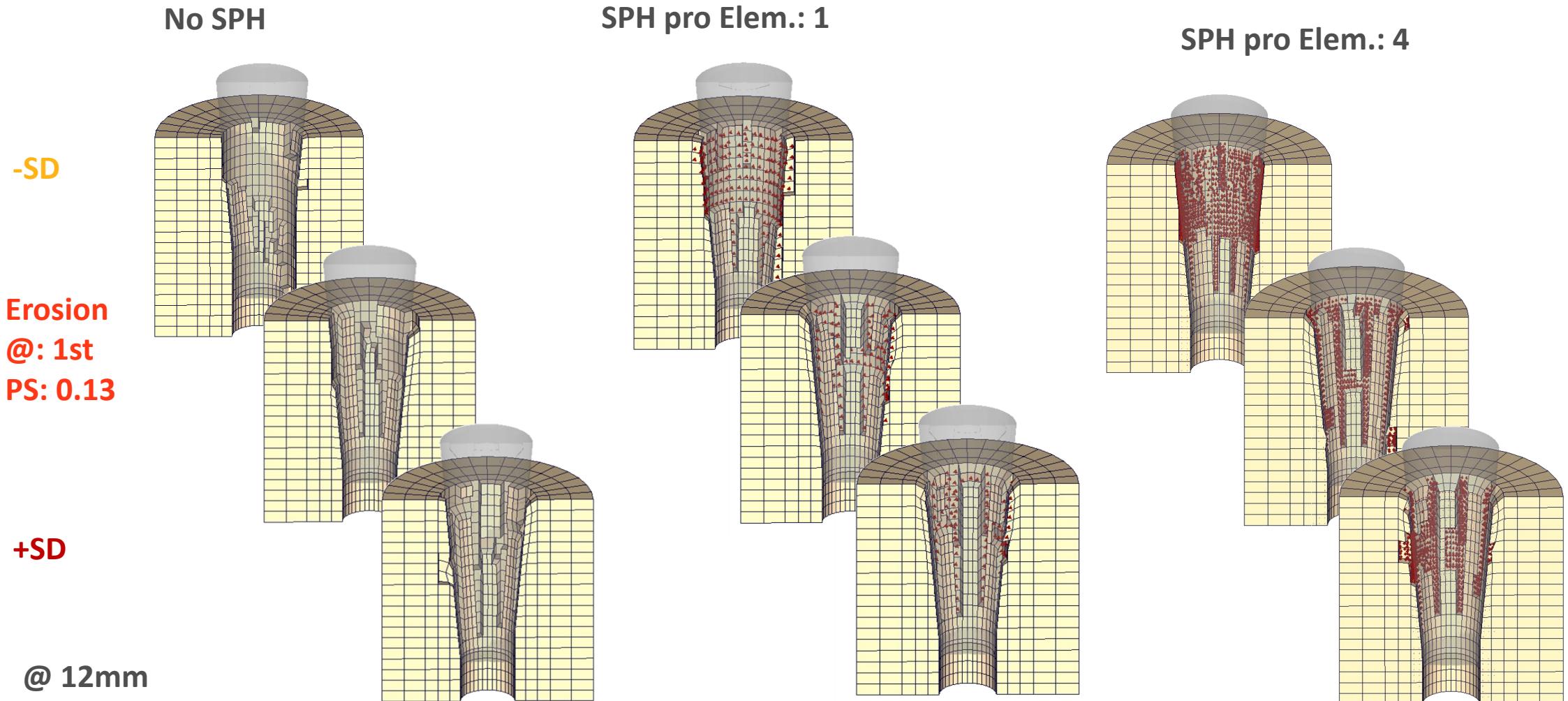


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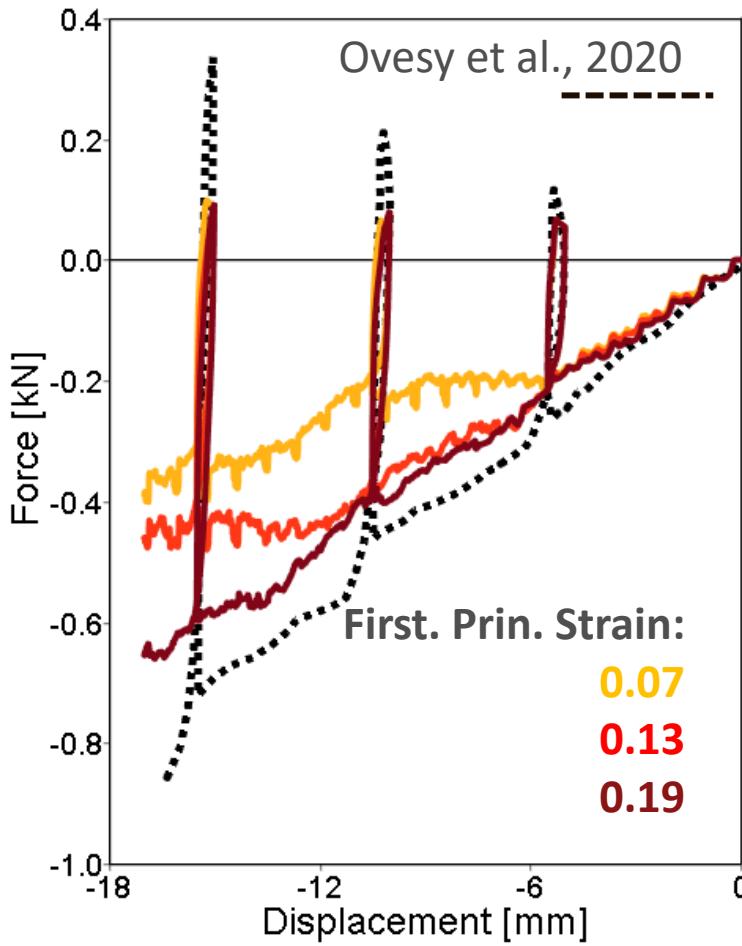


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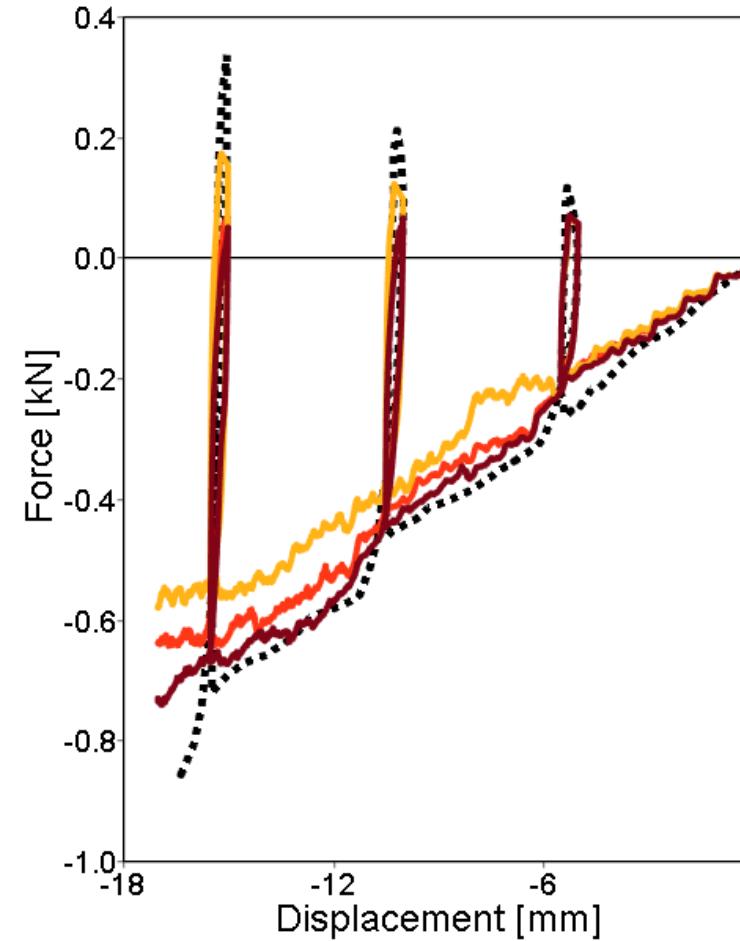


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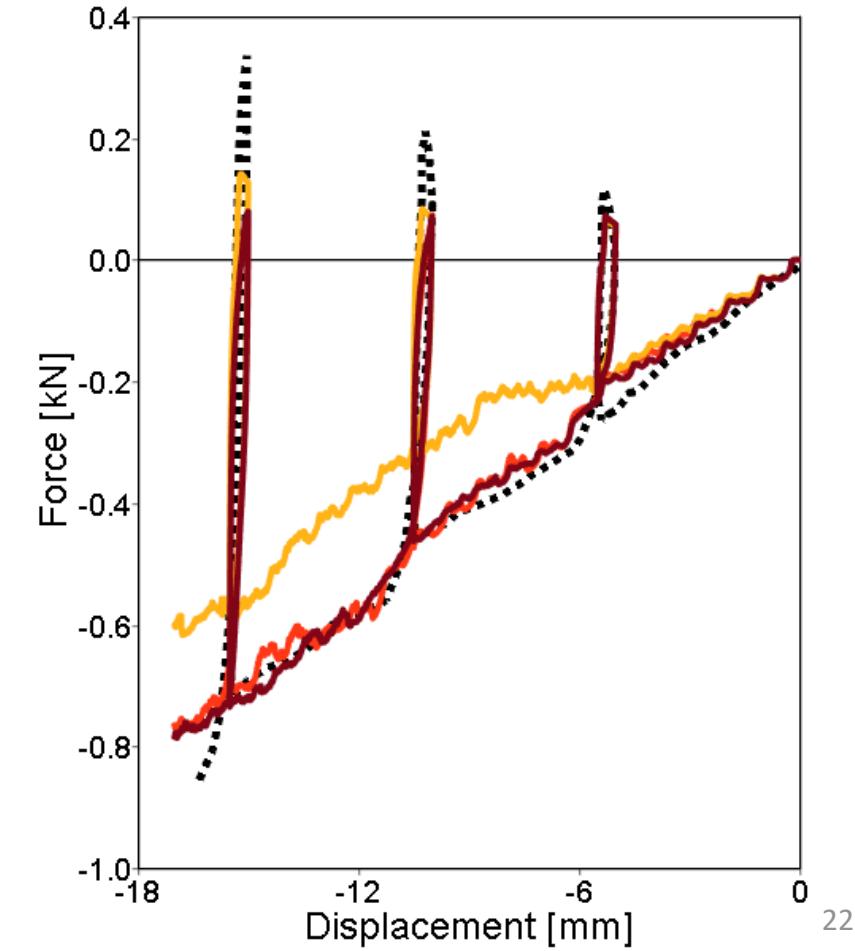
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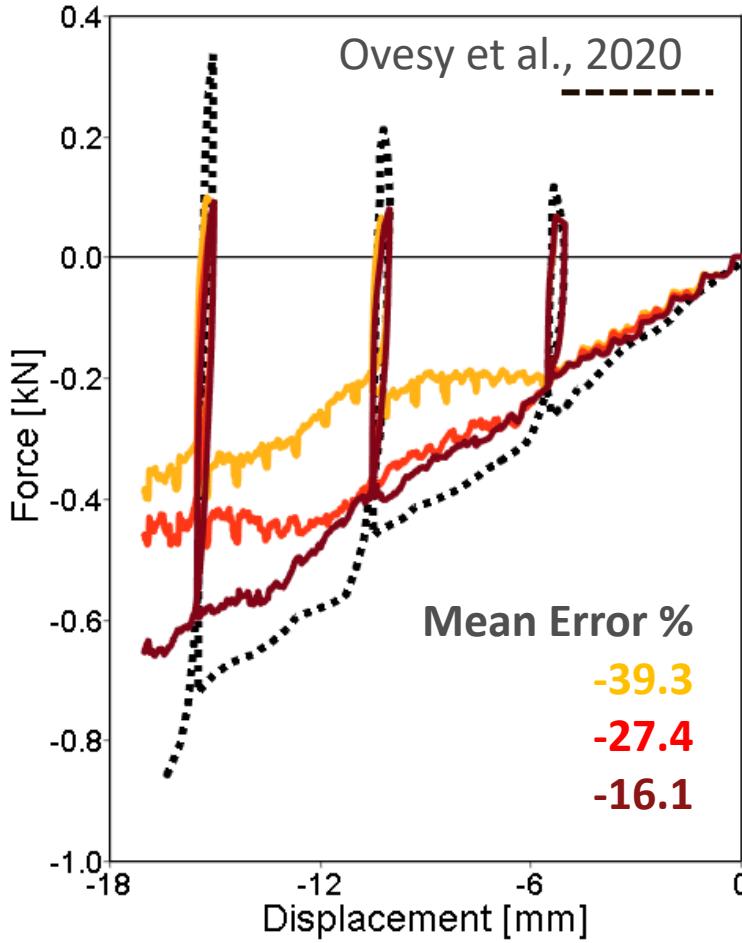
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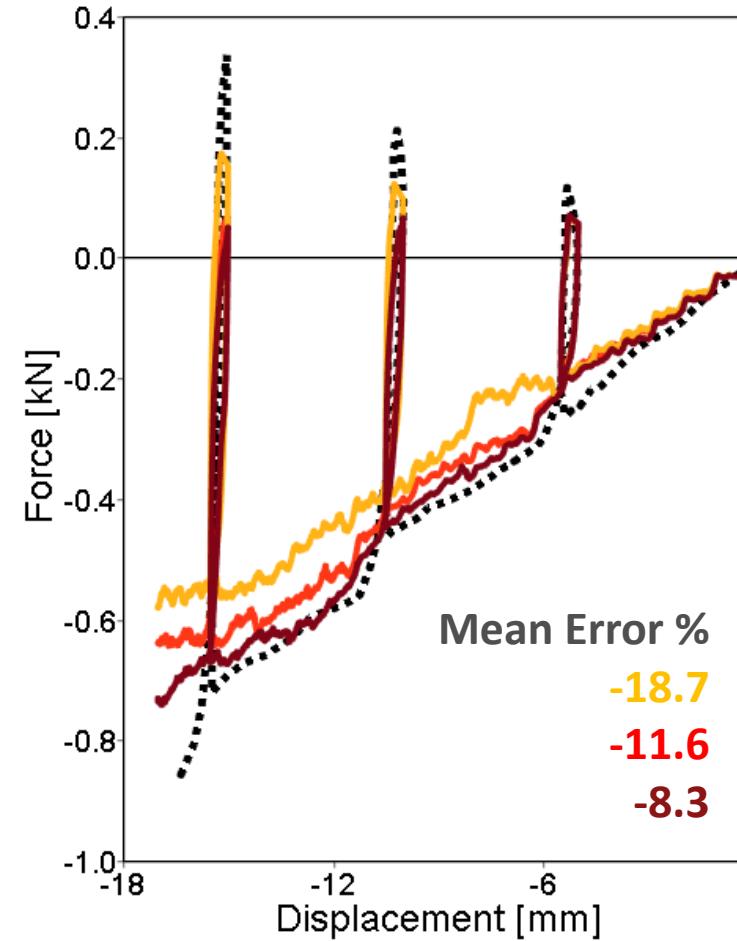


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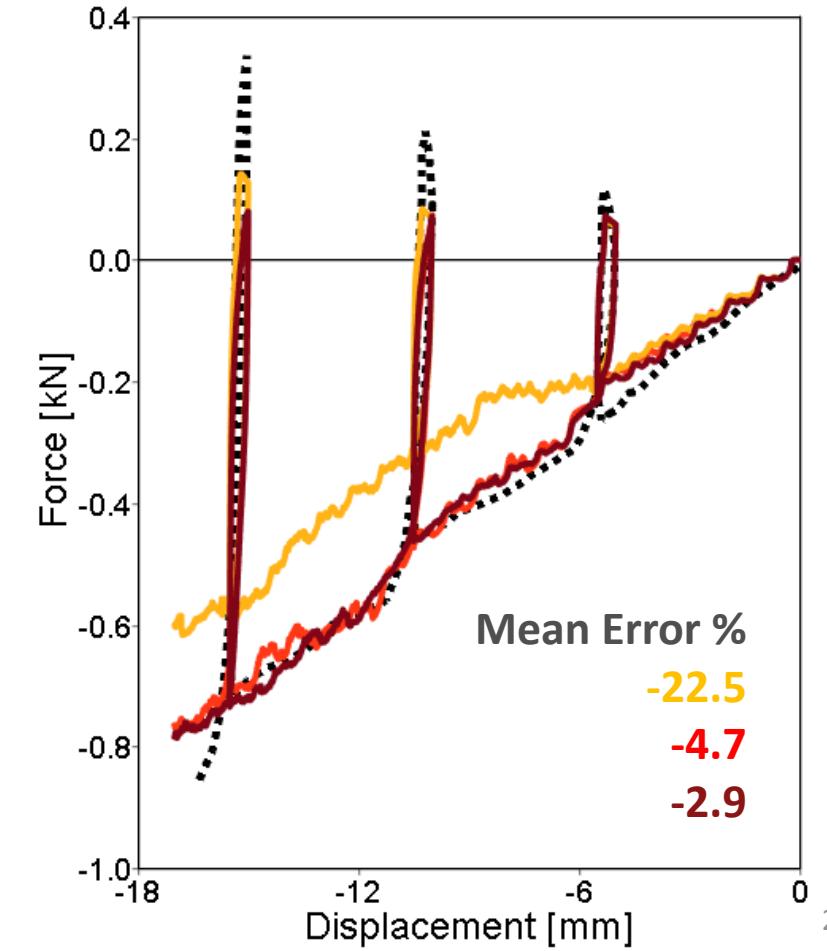
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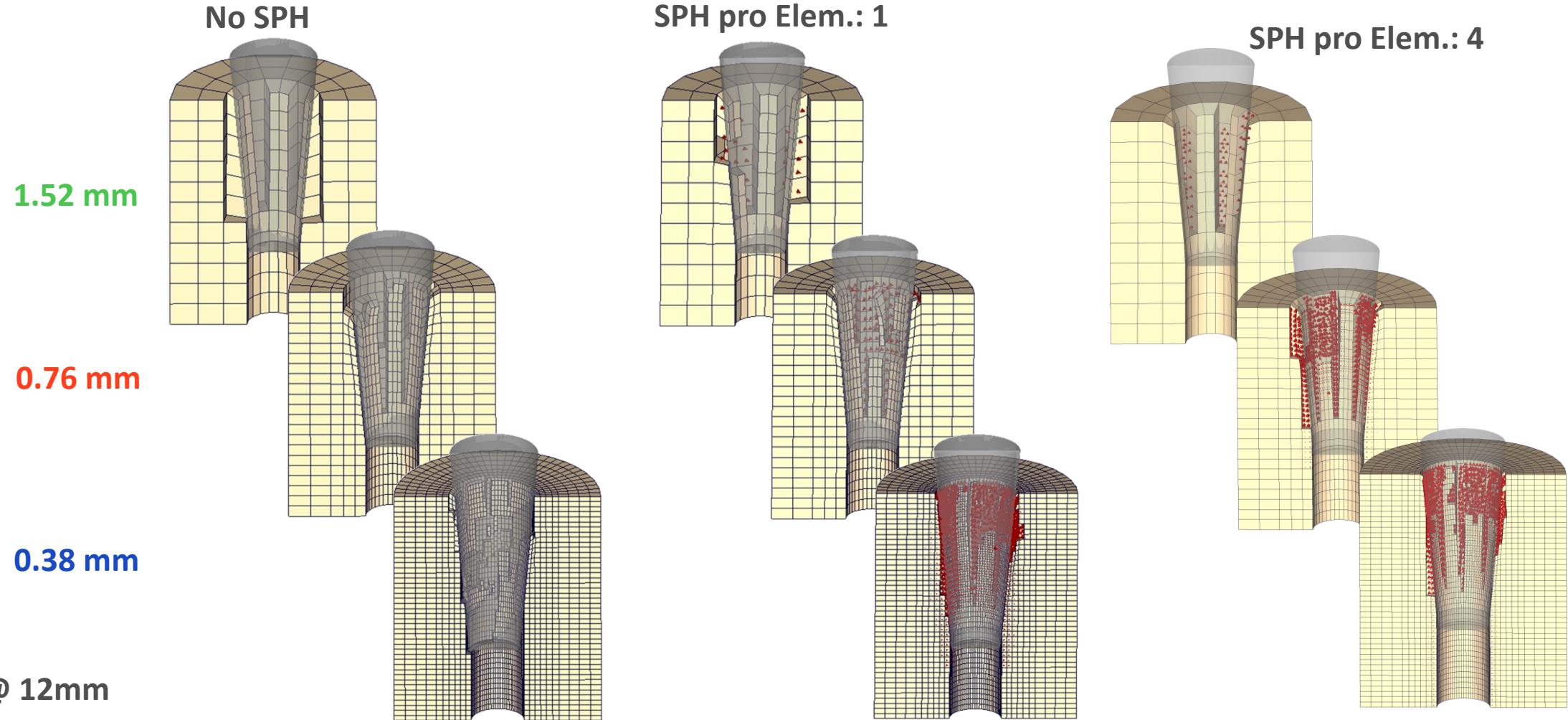


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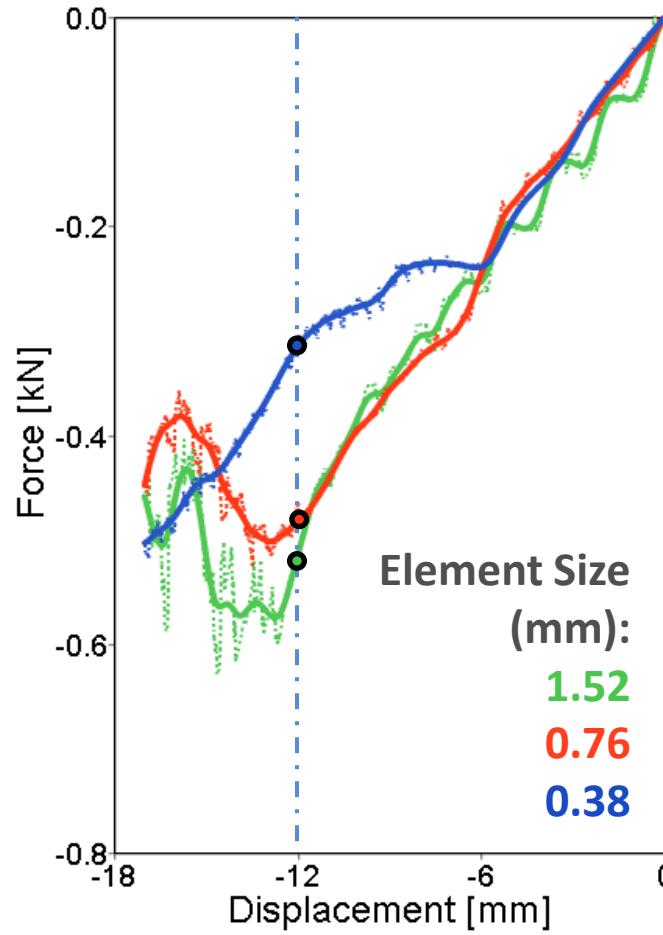
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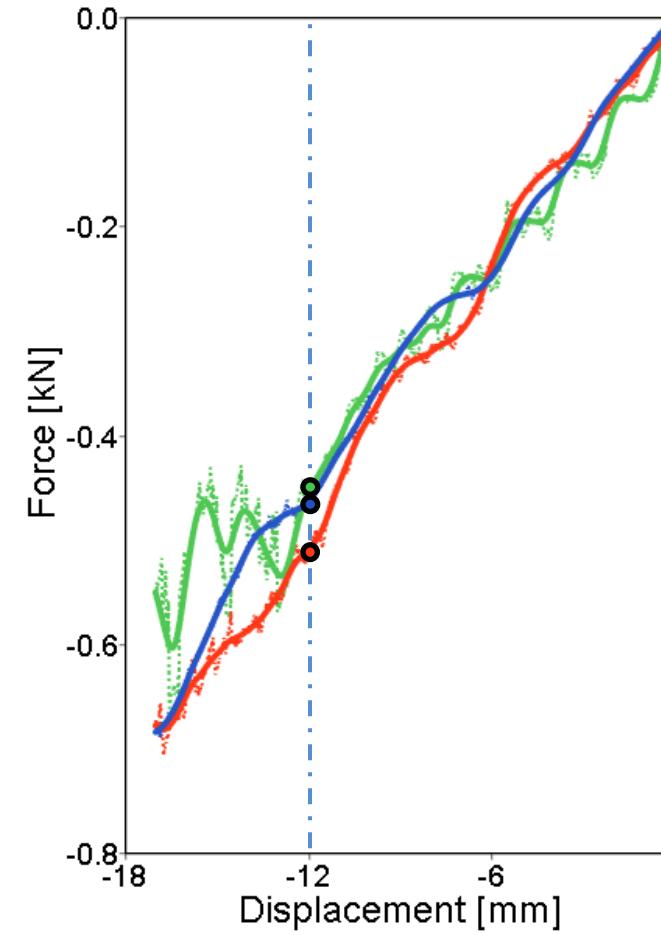


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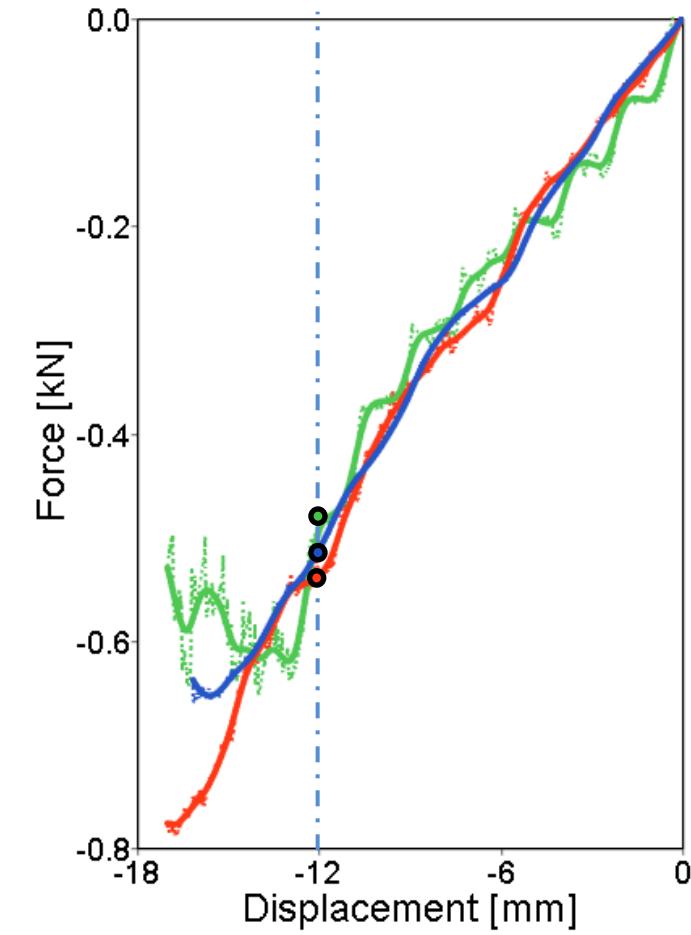
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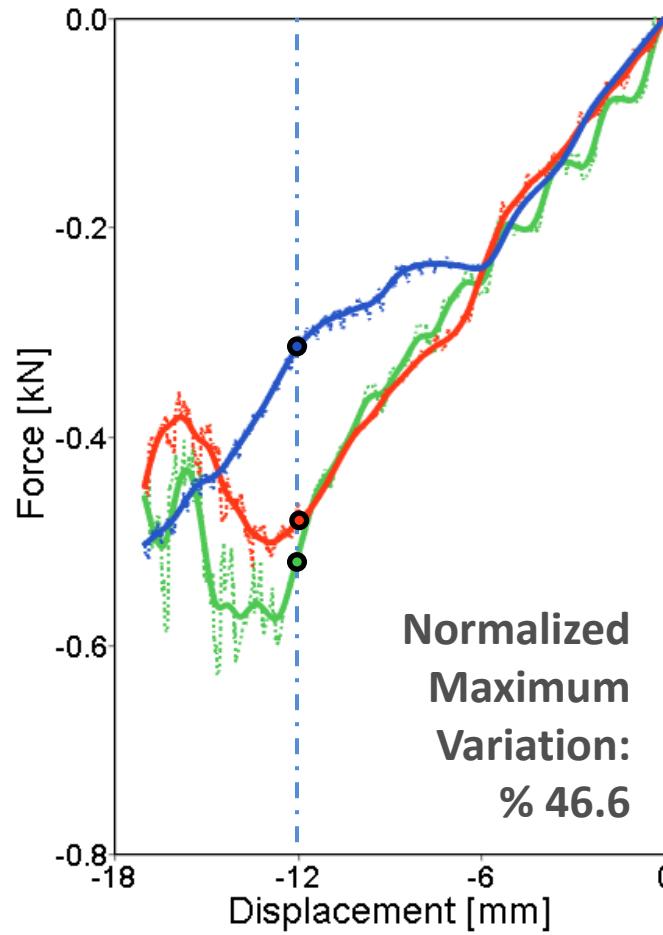
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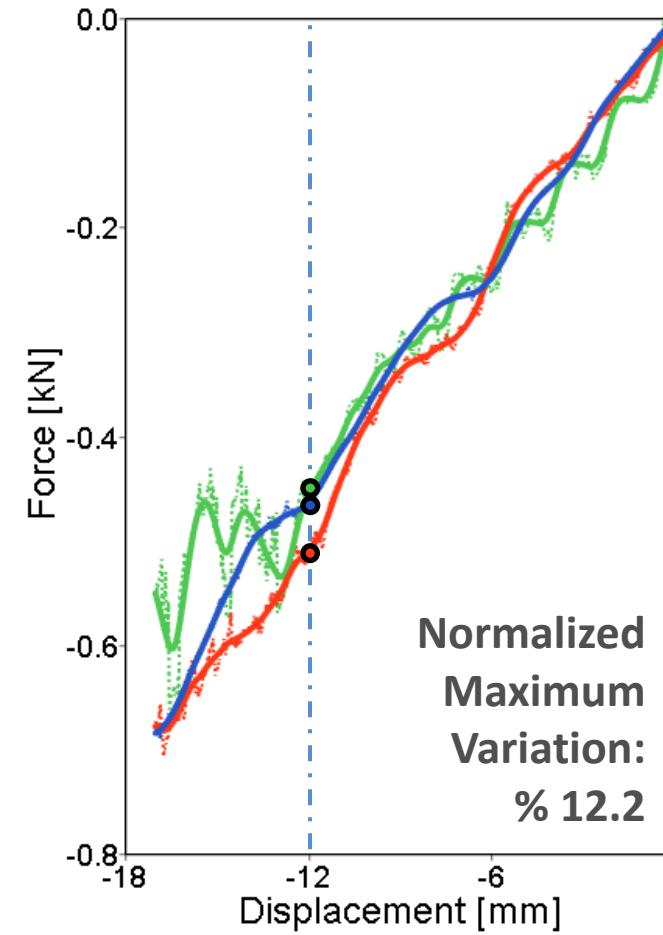


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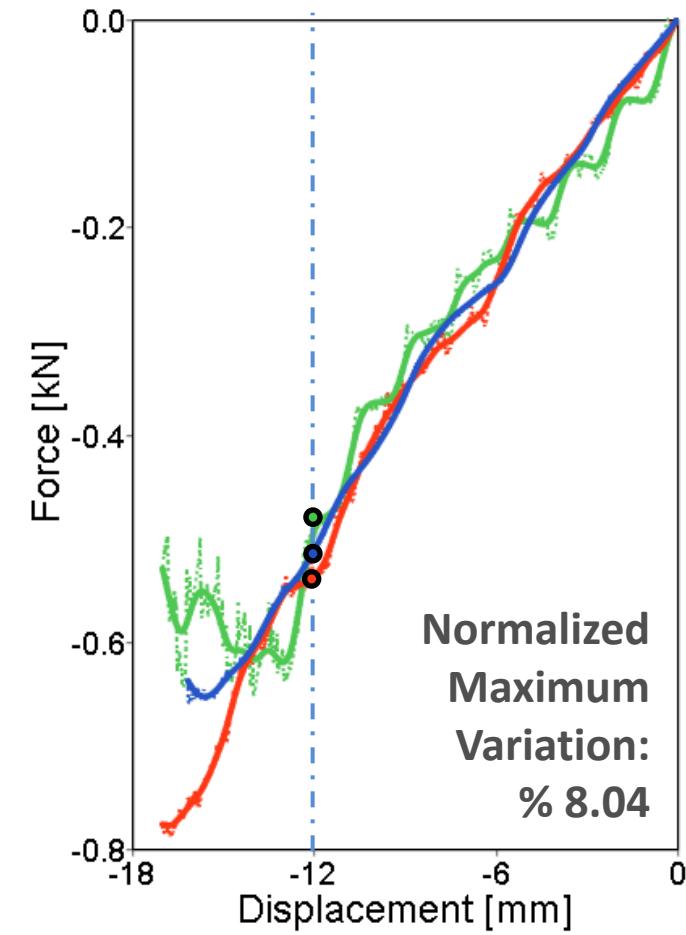
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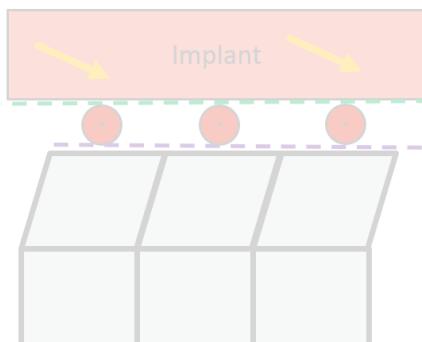




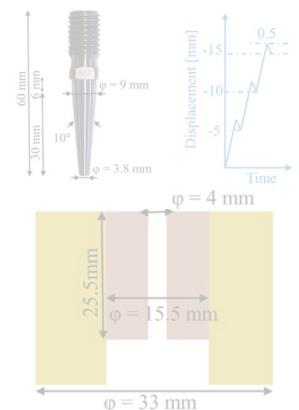
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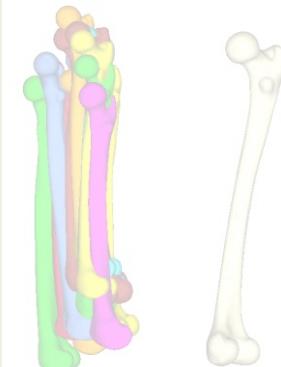
Interface Validation



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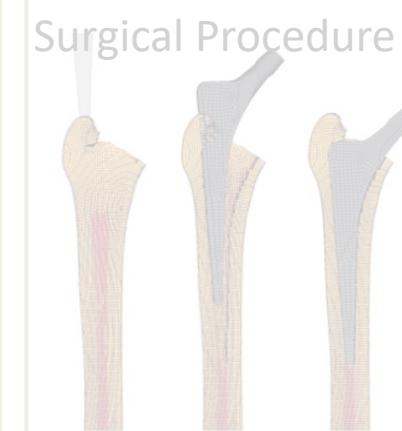
Implanted femur preparation

Parametric Femur models

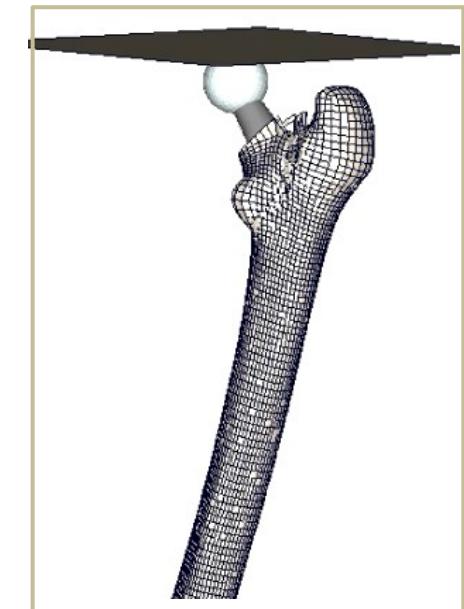


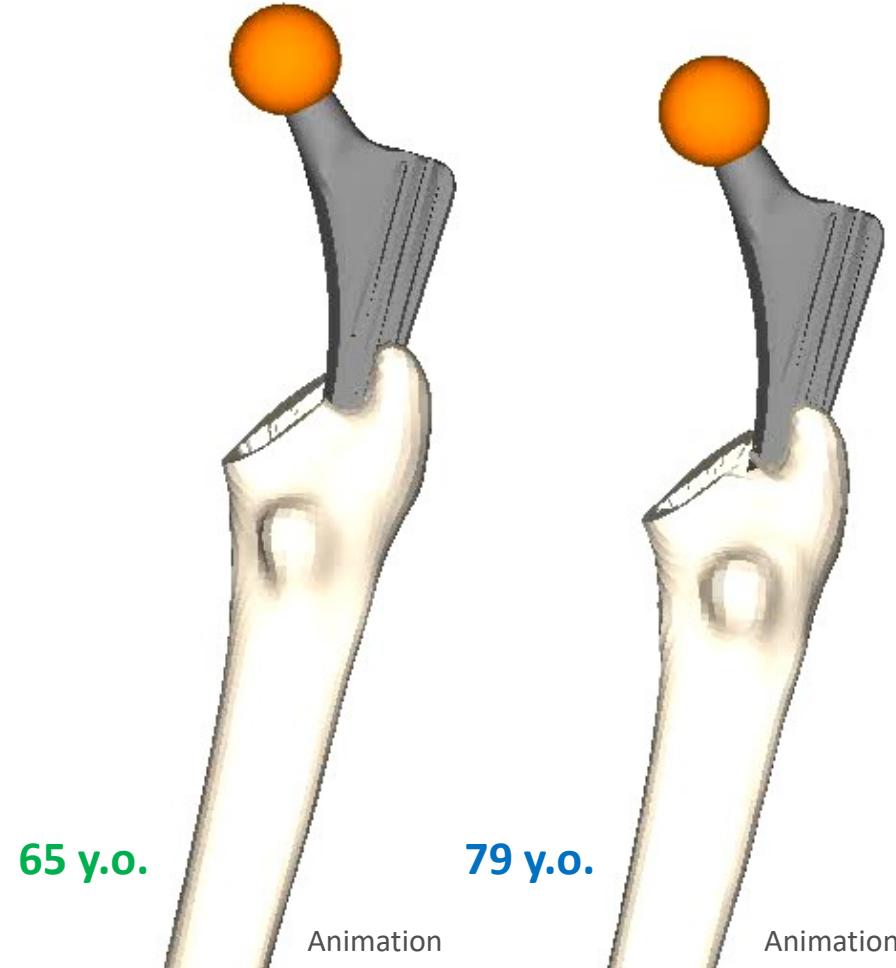
Surgical Procedure

Broaching
Implanting

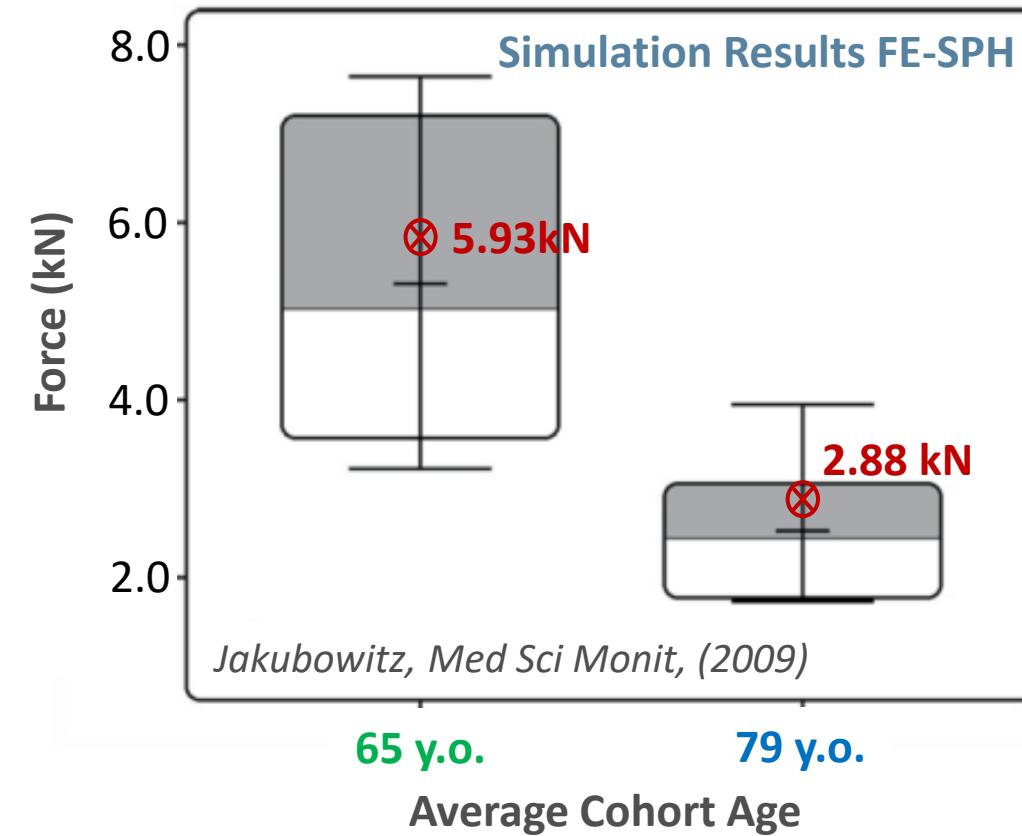


PPF Verification
based on experiments



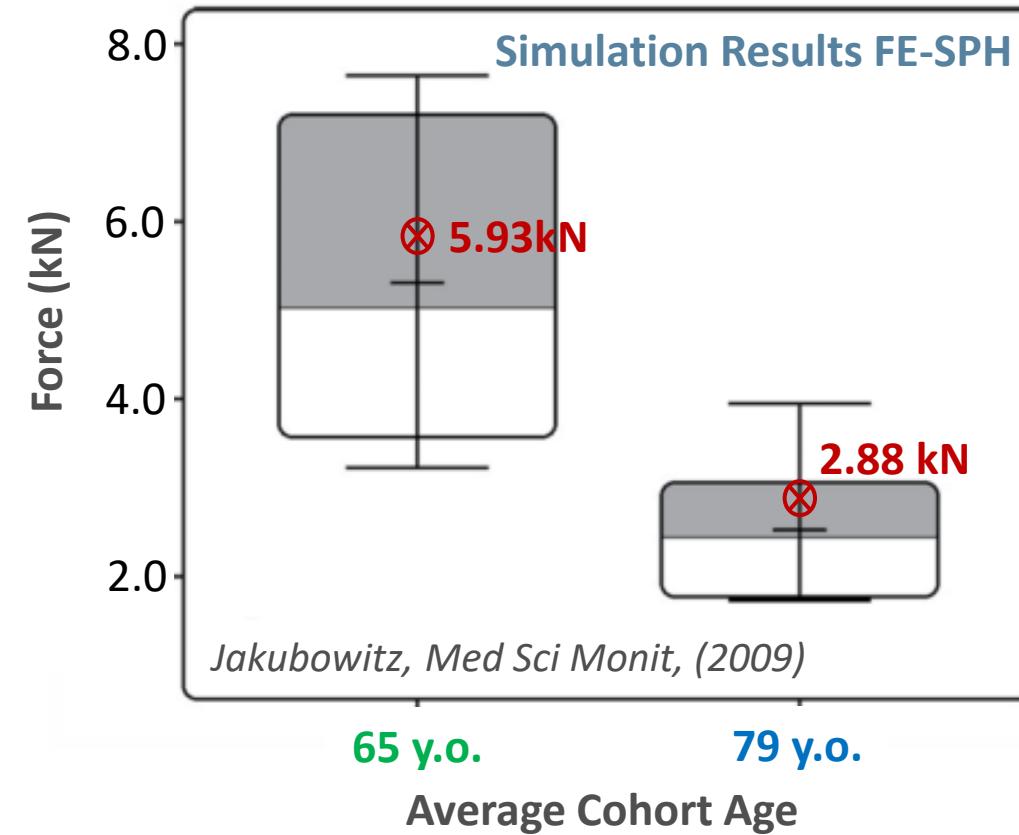
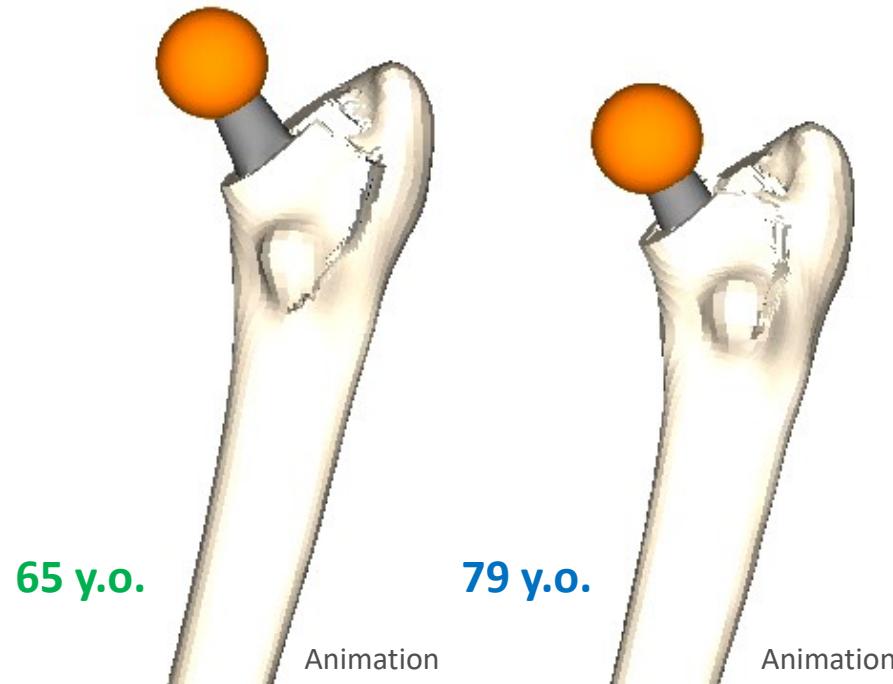


Results- PPF Verification





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Age	Experiments (sd.)	Simulation	Error (%)
65 y.o.	5.02 (1.82) kN	5.93 kN	11.98%
79 y.o.	2.42 (0.64) kN	2.88 kN	14.53%

Conclusion and Outlook

- • Combined SPH-FE approach can represent the stem insertion experiment realistically
- • Reduced sensitivity on element erosion criteria using the combined SPH-FE approach
- • Reduced element size sensitivity using the combined SPH-FE approach
- • PPF simulations provided comparable results with the experiments
- • Pull out forces were predicted with large error and bone debris mechanics require further research

Conclusion and Outlook

- • Orthotropic-asymmetric material models will be included for cortical bone
- • In near future models will be validated based on ex-vivo experiments
- • In future developed models can be used to optimize stem designs and the intraoperative procedures which might help to mitigate PFFs



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