

Two cubes of different materials

Fino test case 070-two-cubes

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1 Problem description

Two cubes of $10\text{mm} \times 10\text{mm} \times 10\text{mm}$ each share a common face (fig. 1). One cube is “hard” and has a Young’s modulus $E = 100 \text{ GPa}$ and $\nu = 0.25$. The other one is “soft” with $E = 10 \text{ GPa}$ and $\nu = 0.35$. The free end of the hard cube is fully fixed and the free face of the soft cylinder is loaded with a tensile force $F_x = -200 \text{ N}$ in the axial direction and a bending force $F_z = -10 \text{ N}$ in the transversal direction. The objective of the case is to compare the three different inter-element averaging (or lack of) methods to compute nodal values of secondary fields (i.e. strains and stresses) that Fino provides.

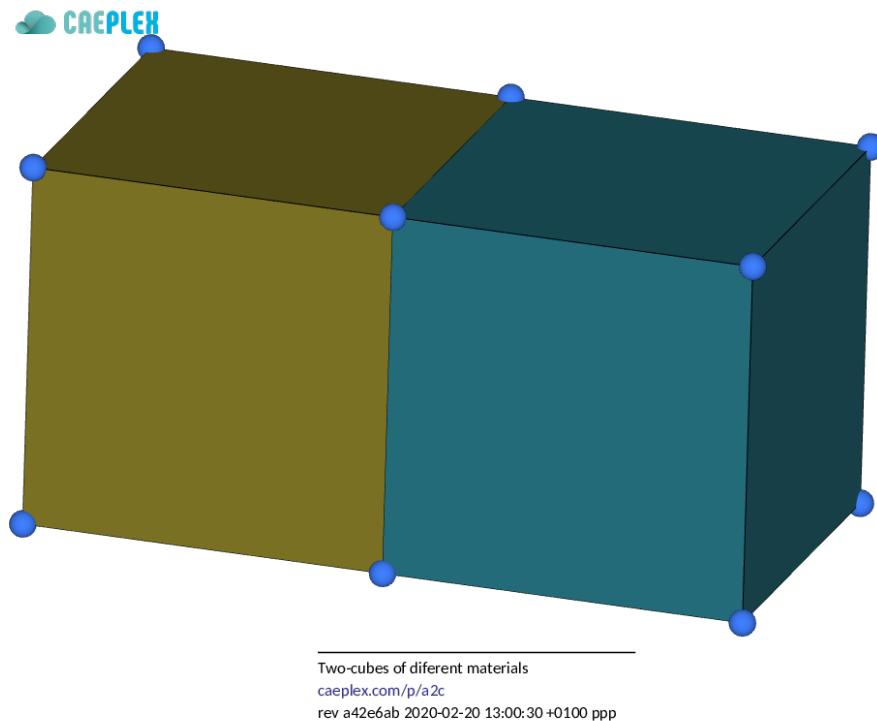


Figure 1: Two cubes of different materials CAD from CAEplex <https://caeplex.com/p/a2c96>

2 Geometry and mesh

The two cubes are created with the OpenCASCADE kernel and then meshed by Gmsh:

```
SetFactory("OpenCASCADE");

a = 10;
Box(1) = {-a,-a/2,-a/2,a,a,a};
Box(2) = {0,-a/2,-a/2,a,a,a};
Coherence;

Mesh.CharacteristicLengthMax = 10;
Mesh.CharacteristicLengthMin = 4;
Mesh.Algorithm = 1;
Mesh.ElementOrder = 2;

Physical Surface("fixed", 1) = {1};
Physical Surface("load", 2) = {7};

Physical Volume("solid1") = {1};
Physical Volume("solid2") = {2};
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The mesh is excessively coarse to better illustrate the point of this case. The elements are still of second order in order to obtain non-uniform derivatives of the displacements within each element.

3 Input file

The annotated input file `two-cubes.fin` should be self-explanatory. The only important detail is that it reads a command line argument from Fino's invocation which should be either `always`, `never` or `material` and is passed to the `FINO_SOLVER SMOOTH` keyword. Sec. 5 shows what the differences between these three modes are.

```
DEFAULT_ARGUMENT_VALUE 1 always
FINO_SOLVER SMOOTH $1 # put Fino in either "always", "never" or "material" mode

MESH FILE_PATH two-cubes.msh DIMENSIONS 3 # read mesh file

# material properties
MATERIAL solid1 E 100e3 nu 0.25      # the names solid1 and solid2 are the
MATERIAL solid2 E 10e3 nu 0.35        # physical groups in the .geo file

PHYSICAL_GROUP NAME fixed BC fixed    # fix one end face
PHYSICAL_GROUP NAME load BC Fz=-10 Fx=-200 # load the other face

FINO_STEP # solve the problem!

# write a vtk file with the mode in the name
MESH_POST FILE_PATH two-cubes-$1.vtk \
dux dudy dudz \
dvdx dvdy dvdz \
dwdx dwdy dwdz \
sigmax sigmay sigmaz \
tauxy tauyz tauzx \
sigma sigma1 sigma2 sigma3 \
E VECTOR u v w
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4 Execution

The parameters `always`, `never` and `material` are successively passed to the `two-cubes.fin` input above:

```
$ gmsh -v 0 -3 two-cubes.geo
$ fino two-cubes.fin always
$ fino two-cubes.fin never
$ fino two-cubes.fin material
$
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5 Results

Fig. 2 illustrates the difference in the computed stresses.

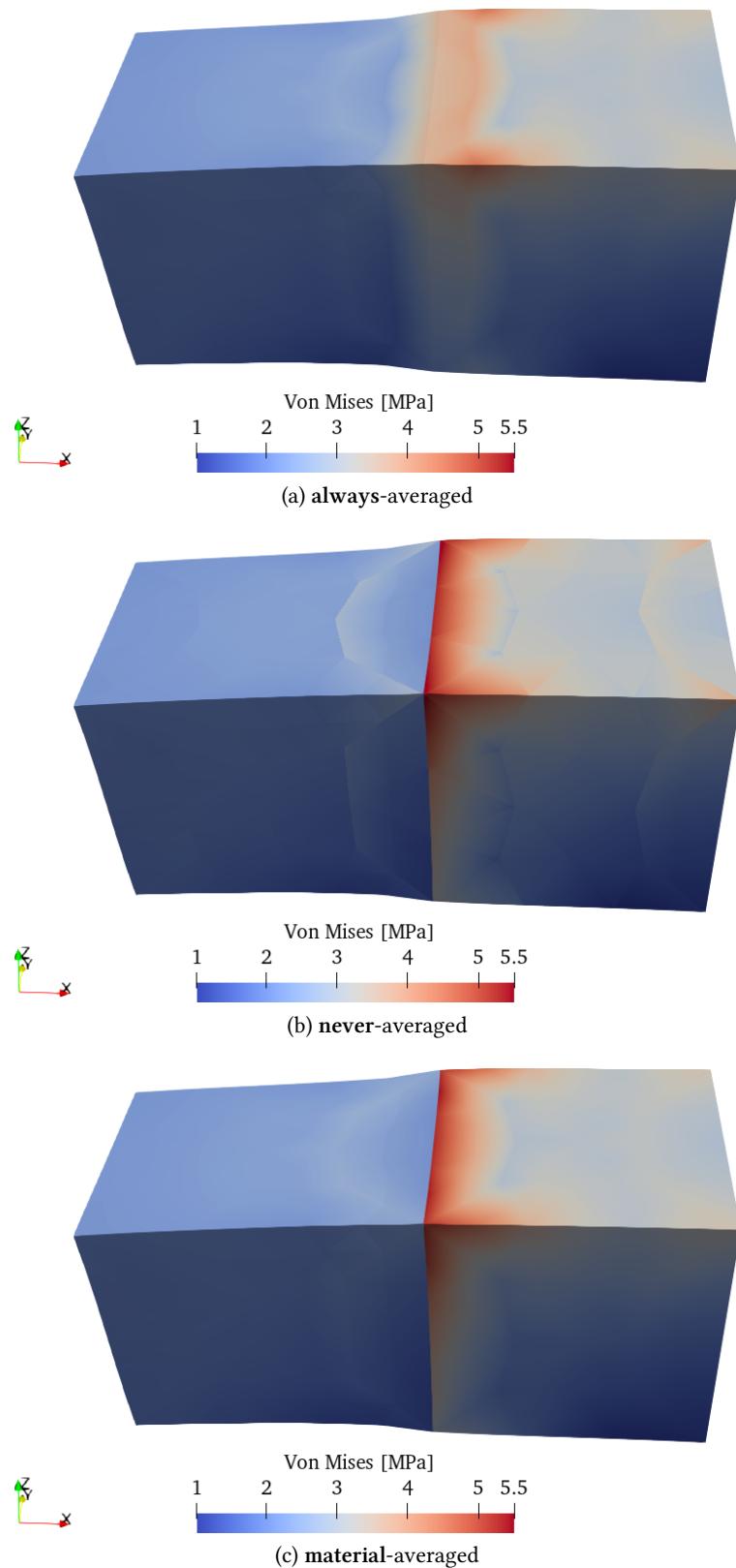


Figure 2: Von Mises stresses depending on the averaging scheme chosen in Fino.