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# **Simcenter 3D** for materials engineering

Increasing confidence in developing advanced materials and enhancing their product performance

#### **Solution benefits**

Reduce time and cost to market by simulating new material designs and eliminating poor iterations earlier in the development process

Optimize new material designs for the most cost-efficient performance

Gain insight into how, when and why damage to the microstructure will occur and how it will impact the global part

Use new materials to achieve weight reduction targets while providing safe and durable structures

Learn how the manufacturing process will affect the material microstructure and overall part performance

Account for material variability and defects using high-fidelity simulation models

Using homogenized material properties is not enough when considering new materials like foams and composites or new manufacturing techniques like additive manufacturing and automatic fiber placement. Simcenter™ 3D software, which is part of the Xcelerator™ portfolio, the comprehensive and inte-

grated portfolio of software and services from Siemens Digital Industries Software, helps you accelerate the product development lifecycle of materials by accurately accounting for microstructural details, defects and manufacturing-induced variations, as well as predicting behavior in advanced materials.

It enables manufacturers to implement advanced materials into their designs and make their products lighter, stronger and more durable. Simcenter 3D provides a complete set of features and digital



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workflows for multiscale modeling and simulation capabilities to help you identify behavior and the root cause of failure in advanced materials, literally zooming into the material's microstructure. It is used by companies working with novel materials to reduce development time and costs by virtually testing how behavior, and then damage at the microstructure, can lead to part failure and learning how controllable manufacturing conditions can ultimately lead to improved performance. Using Simcenter 3D also helps you streamline the simulation process of structures made from laminate composite materials.

# Facilitating microstructural modeling and materials engineering

Advanced materials often behave in ways that are difficult to predict, resulting in longer time and higher cost to bring new products to market. These materials are difficult to predict because of heterogeneity at the microstructural level. Simcenter 3D offers solutions for materials engineering that can help predict behavior for these materials at a microstructural level. Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering consists of a unique multiscale finite element (FE) software platform that extends the flexibility and robustness of the finite element method (FEM) down to the microstructural level, strongly coupling the part (macro) and material (micro) length scales and naturally embedding microstructural design variables into the design process; thus giving materials true degrees-offreedom (DOF). Along with this multiscale technology, Simcenter 3D includes many features that help facilitate the microstructural modeling and materials engineering process. It enables you to:

- Zoom into the material microstructure to obtain key insight into the material behavior, identify the root cause of failure and see what damage mechanisms play the most significant roles in structural performance
- Account for manufacturing variability and imperfections to maximize product reliability
- Optimize the material microstructure for the most cost-efficient performance
- Virtually create and test new and existing materials



# Supporting the modeling process for laminate composites

From material design to component design, Simcenter 3D delivers a powerful toolset for modeling continuous fiber laminate composite structures. A seamless connection with the Fibersim™ portfolio facilitates the transfer of the initial composite design into Simcenter 3D. Then easy-to-use ply and laminate definition tools in Simcenter 3D enable you to quickly



create FE models in 2D and 3D representing your design, and helps you optimize and validate composite structures using your preferred solver.

In addition to modeling, Simcenter 3D can help you validate your draping simulation to help you understand how the fibers will be oriented on your part.

At the microstructure level, the Simcenter 3D user interface allows you to easily generate a wide range of customized microstructure models automati-cally. This includes automatically creating or importing microstructure geometries and meshes,



creating and assigning material models for individual constituents and interfaces, quickly and easily setting up material virtual tests, coupling with optimization tools and launching fully coupled concurrent multiscale analyses.

Simcenter 3D offers the industry's most comprehensive set of simulation capabilities for composite design with faster and more efficient workflows to enable a concurrent process and extensive analysis-type coverage to support standard verifications approaches. It allows you to also address niche solutions that are unique to composite simulation challenges like durability and highly nonlinear effects like manufacturing simulation or progressive damage via a variety of modeling approaches, including stiffness reduction, element deletion, continuum damage models or automatic insertion of cracks or cohesive zone elements.

Simcenter 3D offers specific capabilities that are mandatory for the successful development of composites from the material design to the full component design.

#### Powerful solvers

Simcenter 3D provides powerful solvers for simulating structural and manufacturing performance of parts made from laminate composite materials and for simulation of models using advanced materials at the microstructural level.



The Simcenter Multimech<sup>™</sup> platform is a nonlinear finite element solver capable of performing two-way coupled, multiscale analyses of parts, as well as streamlined virtual testing of material microstructural models. Simcenter Multimech multiscale solver technology provides unprecedented speed without sacrificing accuracy by combining two breakthrough innovations – a new mathematical formulation and an adaptive multiscale algorithm. Additionally, it is fully parallelized across threads and central processing unit (CPU) cores to achieve even greater gains in performance. Simcenter Multimech can also be coupled with Simcenter Nastran<sup>®</sup> and Simcenter Samcef<sup>®</sup> software as well as third-party FE solvers.



Using Simcenter Samcef<sup>®</sup> software enables the user to simulate components made of composite materials. It facilitates not only classical linear and nonlinear analysis but can be used to predict manufacturing-induced defects as they grow, including intraand interlaminate defects. This includes delamination and complex scenarios in which both defect types grow together in a fully coupled way. Other manufacturing-induced effects covered by this solver are part distortion, both during the additive manufacturing build-process and during thermoset composites curing.

#### **Open for leveraging third-party solvers**

Take advantage of the unique and fast modeling and postprocessing capabilities of Simcenter 3D and use them in connection with investments in other popular FE solvers. Simcenter Multimech can be run with the Abaqus and Ansys solvers for fully coupled multiscale analysis. Other features like de-homogenization, mapping fiber orientation data and defect insertion are also available.

You can also create laminate composite-based FE models in Simcenter 3D for use with Simcenter Nastran, Abaqus, Ansys or MSC Nastran solvers. The results from these solvers can be read back into Simcenter 3D for postprocessing and evaluating results.

#### Providing a platform for multidiscipline simulation

The Simcenter 3D solutions for materials engineering are part of a larger, integrated multidiscipline simulation environment with Simcenter 3D Engineering Desktop at the core for centralized pre-/postprocessing for all Simcenter 3D solutions. This integrated environment helps you to achieve faster computer-aided engineering (CAE) processes and streamline multidiscipline simulations such as motion analysis and/or the noise, vibration and harshness (NVH) analysis of composite components. You can also validate your structure's fatigue life using Simcenter 3D durability modules and validate your FE model with test results using correlation and model updating tools.





#### **Industry applications**

Simcenter 3D supports applications across multiple industries where companies are investigating advanced materials to improve product performance and cost effectiveness.

#### Aerospace and defense

- Nonlinear deformation and failure analysis of composite structures like wing spars and fuselage ribs
- Accurate fully coupled sub-modeling and multiscale capabilities to analyze the general aircraft and individual components
- Facilitation of virtual material certification of advanced materials
- Simulate distortion from manufacturing processes, like additive manufacturing or curing



#### Automotive and transportation

- Structural performance of body and chassis components made from laminate composite materials
- Noise, vibration, and harshness analysis of composite materials for primary structures like the chassis
- Curing simulation for laminate composite components

#### **Material and chemical**

- Minimize the number of physical tests required to develop and certify new materials
- Virtually test materials to better understand microscale mechanisms that drive material performance and gain insights using simulation results not obtainable via physical testing
- Optimize materials to achieve customer-specific performance requirements

 Increase adoption of advanced materials by enabling materials end users to leverage simulation in their product design process

#### Marine

- Manufacturing process simulation for glass fiber composites for hulls
- Bolt bearing and delamination analysis for composite joints



#### **Consumer goods**

- Durability and stiffness of heterogenous materials for packaging
- Composite analysis for fiber wound golf shafts, energy absorbing protective equipment and other recreational applications

#### Electronics

- Thermal cracking, cycling and fatigue for electronic assemblies
- Drop tests for hand-held devices
- Overcome issues in directly modeling small micro and nanostructures

#### Energy

- · Analysis of composite risers for oil and gas exploration
- Prediction of burst pressure of continuous fiber reinforced tubes and pressure vessels, including the effect of defects
- · Analysis of fiber reinforced wind turbine blades

# **Simcenter 3D** Materials Engineering Standard

Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard allows you to perform multiscale modeling and simulate failure in advanced materials directly within the Simcenter 3D environment. Using Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering, you can identify when, where, how and why a material may fail at the microstructural level, and how this will affect the performance of the overall part.

Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard comes with a full suite of tools to enable you to accurately model and simulate the performance of your advanced materials using true multiscale technology. Users can also leverage its capabilities in additive manufacturing workflows to account for the effect of microstructural features such as defects, metal grain morphologies and grain boundaries, as well as homogenization and optimization of lattice structures.



#### **Module benefits**

- Optimize performance of advanced materials before a physical sample is built
- Reduce number of physical iterations required to test and certify new materials
- Gain valuable insight into how microstructural behavior will impact part or system performance
- Account for microstructural details, including defects and manufacturing-induced variations in the design process
- Optimize materials to achieve customer-specific performance requirements

- Automatic microstructure generation tool to generate geometry and meshing of your microstructural models for a wide range of materials, including continuous fiber, chopped fiber, particulates, voids, (stacked) fabrics, combinations of different inclusions, laminates and more, as well as import from third-party tools
- Perform multiscale, material virtual testing and de-homogenization simulations
- Analytical homogenization methods for simpler analyses
- Postprocessing of multiscale results, including concurrent visualization of part and full-field results from microstructural models
- Reverse engineering of material parameters
- Enable multiscale modeling in Simcenter Nastran (solution 401/402) and Simcenter Samcef. Simcenter Nastran and Simcenter Samcef can be purchased separately
- Up to two parallel threads/cores in Simcenter Multimech. High performance computing (HPC) add-on can be purchased, with each add-on enabling four additional parallel threads/cores in Simcenter Multimech

# Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Advanced

Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Advanced allows you to perform multiscale modeling and simulate failure in advanced materials directly in the Simcenter 3D envi-

ronment. This module builds on the capabilities delivered by Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard and adds advanced capabilities for automatic defect workflows and the ability to interface with CT scanning software.





#### **Module benefits**

- Simplify modeling process for defects and variations in material microstructures
- Quickly convert CT scans of physical parts into microscale material models
- Get results quicker through high performance computing
- Design injection molded parts accounting for material microstructure and manufacturing induced variations

- Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard is a prerequisite
- The injection molding interface data mapper tool allows manufacturing process simulation results (including Fibersim, Moldflow and Moldex3D) to be mapped onto a structural mesh
- Interface with VoxTex software used for analysis of micro-computed X-ray tomography images and their transformation into finite element models
- Automatic defect insertion workflows
- Includes one HPC add-on for four additional parallel threads/ cores in Simcenter Multimech. More HPC add-ons can be purchased

# Simcenter Multitech

Simcenter Multimech is an advanced nonlinear finite element solver for materials modeling, capable of performing two-way coupled true multiscale analyses of parts, as well as streamlined virtual testing of material microstructural models. It empowers the multiscale solutions available in Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering platform and is also included as part of plugins for Ansys and Abaqus.





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- Advanced nonlinear finite element solver, including mechanical (quasi-static implicit and dynamic explicit), thermal diffusion and coupled thermomechanical analysis, with a rich library of material models and element types
- Perform multiscale, material virtual testing and de-homogenization simulations, using implicit or explicit FEA
- In addition to standalone simulation jobs, Simcenter Multimech can be coupled with other FE solvers for concurrent multiscale analyses, including Simcenter Nastran, Simcenter Samcef, Ansys and Abaqus
- Progressive failure modeling capabilities, including stiffness reduction, element deletion, continuum damage and a unique algorithm for automatic insertion of 2D/3D cracks or cohesive zones, with automatic correction of interpenetrating interface elements
- Stochastic failure modeling via statistical distribution of failure parameters
- Simulate curing and induced residual stresses at the material microstructural level
- Up to two parallel threads/cores. HPC add-ons can be purchased, with each add-on enabling four additional parallel threads/cores

# Simcenter Multitech HPC Add-on

The Simcenter Multimech HPC Add-on increases the number of parallel threads/cores the Simcenter Multimech solver can use for computation. The base solver supports up to two parallel threads/cores, and each HPC add-on module adds four additional parallel threads/cores that can be used.

#### **Module benefits**

• Expands the number of parallel threads/cores used for computation so that you can solve larger, more complex models faster

#### **Key features**

• Adds up to four parallel threads/cores for each add-on module



# **Simcenter 3D** Laminate Composites

Simcenter 3D Laminate Composites features easy-to-use ply and laminate definition tools which help you create and validate composite structure models. You can use Simcenter 3D Laminate Composites to prepare models for the Simcenter Nastran, Simcenter Samcef, MSC Nastran, Ansys, Abaqus, or LS-Dyna solvers. Laminate post reporting processes solver stresses or shell resultants to generate contour and tabular results, including envelopes of ply stresses, strains and failure metrics over multiple load cases.



#### **Module benefits**

- Reduce laminate model creation time by choosing between zone-based modeling, ply-based modeling or a mixture of both approaches
- Leverage the open solver architecture of Simcenter 3D to perform state-of-the-art dynamic, nonlinear, progressive failure and delamination simulations

- Define laminates on 2D meshes, 3D meshes or both
- Keep your model up-to-date with the latest design using geometry associativity
- Interact with computer-aided design (CAD) based composites definitions from Fibersim, CATIA and others
- Use Simcenter standard materials, or create ply materials from the constituent fiber and matrix material properties, to simulate plies made of woven, unidirectional, randomly oriented short fibers and particulates and represent cores
- Conveniently assign laminates and plies to your choice of geometry, meshes and/or elements
- Improve finite element modeling accuracy by accounting for distorted fiber orientations
- Postprocessing tools allow you to quickly identify critical plies and load cases using classical and user-defined failure theories and create reports





# Simcenter Samcef

Simcenter Samcef is used as a solver to simulate components made of composites and additive manufacturing materials. It facilitates not only classical linear and nonlinear analysis, but can be used to predict defects, including intra- and interlaminate defects, as they grow. This includes delamination and complex scenarios in which both types of defect grow simultaneously.

Curing of thermoset materials induces undesirable deformations that require iterations in the manufacturing process. By combining robust thermal and structural analysis technologies, Simcenter Samcef offers thermal, chemical and mechanical capabilities to predict the residual strain from the curing cycle. This allows you to optimize your process, comparing manufacturing options for the curing cycle and the design, and applying mold compensation techniques to minimize spring back effects at demolding. It is then possible to simulate as-built composite component rather than as-designed.

#### **Module benefits**

- Achieve weight reduction targets and provide safe, durable structures
- Design as manufactured and for manufacturability
- Capture and identify the behavior of layered composite components, reducing safety concerns
- Identify and optimize unexpected deformation during the additive manufacturing process and during curing cycle

- Static/dynamic/thermal analysis of composite models including material and geometrical nonlinear behaviors
- Comprehensive finite element library for 2D shell or 3D solids, cohesive zone modeling
- Orthotropic, anisotropic, bilinear, accurate progressive damage prediction including intra- and interlaminar damage with coupling of the corresponding damage
- Failure indices, strength ratios, usual finite element outputs





### Pre/post capabilities for materials engineering simulation

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General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter 3D Laminate Composites	Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard	Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Advanced	General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter 3D Laminate Composites	Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard	Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Advanced
Automa	atic microstructure generation	on				Laminate modeling			
Continuous fibers						Ply-based modeling	•		
(hex pack, square pack, random pack)			•			Zone-based modeling	•		
Short fibers			•			2D laminates (layered shell)	•		
Particulates, shells			•			3D laminates (layered 3D solids) including automatic	•		
Voids/porosity			•			3D inflation			
Fabrics/woven (stacked)			•			Automatic generation of cohesive layers	•		
Laminates Combination of different		•	•		Laminate modeling and validation	Drop off element			
inclusions			•			Anisotropic behavior of sheared woven plies	•		
Coating	Multiscale analysis		•			ABDS matrices and equiva- lent properties	•		
True multiscale (con-						Fiber orientation displays	•		
current, 2-way coupled, 2+ scales)			•			Ply section displays	•		
Homogenization	Analytical	•	•			View laminate core sampling	•		
	Numerical		•			Fibersim	•		
Dehomogenization			•		CAD Interfaces	CATIA/laminate tools	•		
Material virtual testing and Parameter Identification			•			Graphical and spreadsheet reporting	•		
Postprocessing of microstructural cracks			•			Enveloping by ply and load case	•		
	Integrations					Management of post			
	Ansys					reports and prerequisite solutions	•		
	Abaqus	•	•			Classical and user-defined failure theories	•		
	MSC Nastran LS-Dyna	•			Postprocessing and reporting	Multiple failure theories in single report	•		
Third-party software	Catia Composite Design	•				Ply failure indices, strength ratios and margins of safety			
	WiseTex		•			Dynamic base excitation			
	VoxTex			•		metasolutions	•		
	TexMind TexComp		•			Harmonic with phase-con- sistent failure metrics	•		
						Random with confi-			
	TexGen								
	TexGen Simcenter Nastran	•	•			dence-based peak failure metrics	•		
		•				dence-based peak failure metrics	•		
Siemens software	Simcenter Nastran		•				•		

General capabilities Manı	Specific capabilities	Simcenter 3D Laminate Composites	Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard	Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Advanced
Defects workflow				•
				•
Injection molding workflow	Autodesk Moldflow interface			•
	Moldex3D interface			•
Import of micro-CT scan voxel mesh				•

#### Notes:

- Simcenter 3D Engineering Desktop is a minimum prerequisite for all Simcenter 3D products.
- Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Standard includes Simcenter Multimech solver base package
- Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Advanced requires Simcenter Materials Engineering Standard
- Simcenter 3D Materials Engineering Advanced includes 1 x Simcenter Multimech HPC Add-on

### Solver capabilities for materials engineering simulation

	General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech
	Ν	Iultiscale analysis		
	True multiscale (concur- rent,two-way coupled, two+ scales)		•	•
	Numerical homogenization, dehomogenization and virtual material testing			•
		Analysis		
	Implicit linear and nonlinear quasi-static		•	•
	Explicit linear and nonlinear dynamic			•
	Thermal analysis (steady state or transient)		•	•
	Coupled thermomechanical		•	•
	Modal analysis		•	
	Buckling analysis (form linear statics analysis) with several load cases		•	
ĺ	Finite deformation		•	•
	Finite deformation - Total lagrangian		•	•
	Standalone bucking		•	
	Mapping of temperature field/glass temperature/ degree of cure		•	
	Superelement generation, recovery on superelement		•	

General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech
Cyclic symmetry recombination		•	
Auto-time stepping		•	•
Shared memory parallel (SMP)		•	•
Distributed memory paralled (DMP)		•	•
Superelements		•	
Superelements - recovery including stresses		•	
Cyclic symmetry modes		•	
Multi-stage cyclic symmetry		•	
Harmonic modes		0	
Restart		•	
	Materials		
	Isotropic linear thermoelastic	•	•
	Orthotropic linear thermoelastic	•	•
	Anisotropic linear thermoelastic	•	
	Temperature dependence of elastic properties	•	•
Elasticity	Isotropic tabular/multilinear thermoelastic	•	•
	Isotropic linear elastic with bi-modulus	•	•
	Orthotropic nonlinear elastic with bi-modulus		•

General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech
	lsotropic linear thermo-visco- elastic with aging	•	•
Viscoelasticity	lsotropic continuum damage thermo-viscoelastic with aging		•
	Anisotropic linear thermo-visco- elastic with aging		•
	lsotropic Von Mises thermo-elastoplastic		•
	lsotropic Drucker Prager thermo-elastoplastic		•
	Temperature dependence	•	
	Bilinear	•	
Elastoplasticity	Multilinear	•	
	Rupture	•	•
	Isotropic hardening	•	•
	Kinematic hardening	•	•
	Mixed hardening	•	•
	Strain rate effect	0	
Elasto-viscoplasticity	lsotropic Von Mises thermo-elastoviscoplastic	•	•
	Isotropic continuum damage thermoelastic		•
	Orthotropic continuum damage thermoelastic		•
Continuum damage	lsotropic continuum damage thermo-viscoelastic with aging		•
	lsotropic continuum damage elastic with bi-modulus		•
	Orthotropic continuum damage elastic with bi-modulus		•
	Linear decay		•
	Bilinear	•	•
	Bilinear rate dependent		•
Cohesive zone models	Tvergaard		•
	Allen nonlinear viscoelastic		•
	Material interface (automatic crack/cohesive zone insertion)		•
Multiscale material models	Microscale RVE		•
	Microscale cohesive zone RVE		•
Diffusion models	Isotropic Fourier		•
	Isotropic Fourier (thermo active)		•
			•
	Moony-Rivlin	•	
Hyperelastic	Arruda- Boyce	0	
	Ogden	•	
	Foam	•	
	Hart-Smith	0	

General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech
	Alexander	0	
	Marlow	0	_
	Test based	0	
	Mullins effect	•	
	Viscoelastic effect Gasket	0	
Hyperelastic		0	
(continued)	Creep Bailey Norton model	•	
	Strain hardening power model	•	
	Norton model	0	
	Garafolo model	o	
	Temperature dependent	•	
	User defined	o	
	Failure modeling		
Failure index rious failure envelopes)			
Stiffness reduction			•
Element deletion			•
Continuum damage			•
Automatic insertion of 2D/3D cracks and cohesive zones			•
Automatic correction of interpenetrating interface elements			•
Multiscale damage upscaling			•
Stochastic failure			•
	Elements		
	4-node tetrahedron	•	•
	10-node tetrahedon	•	•
	8-node hexagon	•	•
	20-node hexagon	•	•
	8-node hexagon infinite	•	
	12-node hexagon infinite		•
	8-node quadrilateral interface	•	
3D solids	16-node quadrilateral interface		
	6-node triangle interface		
	-	•	•
	12-node triangle interface	•	•
	2-node line	•	•
	3-node line	•	•
	5-node pyramid	•	•
	13-node pyramid	•	•

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	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech	General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech
3D solids	6-node wedge	•	•		Drop off element	•	
(continued)	15-node wedge	•	•	Laminate modeling and validation	Anisotropic behavior of sheared woven plies	•	
	Axisymmetric	•	•	(continued)	ABDS matrices and equivalent		
	Plane stress	•	•		properties	•	
	Plane strain	•	•		Enveloping by ply and load case	•	
	Generalized plane strain	o	•	Postprocessing and reporting	Multiple failure theories in sin- gle report	•	
	3-node triangle	•	•	reporting	Ply failure indices, strength ratios and margins of safety	•	
	6-node triangle	•	•		Composite		
2D solids	4-node quadrilateral 8-node quadrilateral	•	•	Shell elements			
	4-node quadrilateral infinite	•	•	(mono and multilayers)		•	
	5-node quadrilateral infinite	•	•	Solid elements (mono and multilayers)		•	
	4-node line interface	•		Failure indices		•	•
	6-node line interface	•		Strength ratios		•	
	2-node line	•	•	Cohesive delamination		•	•
	3-node line	•	•	Progressive failure		•	•
		•		Non-local laws		•	
Shell	Thickness output	•		Curing simulation		•	•
Membrane		•			Connections		
		•				•	
		•		Glue	Sliding glue	•	
	Nonlinear effects	•			Large displacement	•	
		•				•	
	Nonlinear force displacement	•			1D	•	
Rods		•	•	Bolted joints	2D	•	
	Large rotation effect	•			3D	•	
Rigid	Stiff rigid (RBE2)	•			Bolt sequencing by steps	•	
	Constraint rigid (RBE3)	•			Bolt force output	•	
		•		Multipoint constraint (MPC)		•	•
		0			Elastic frictionless		•
Add/remove		•	•		Coulomb friction	•	
La	aminate modeling				Other friction models	•	
	Ply-based modeling	•			No separation contact	•	
	Zone-based modeling	•		Contact	Fluid pressure penetration contact		
Laminate modeling and validation	2D laminates (layered shell)	•			Temperature dependence	•	
	3D laminates (layered 3D solids) including automatic 3D inflation	•			Separation distance output	•	
	Automatic generation of cohe- sive layers	•			Slip/slide distance output	•	

General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech
	Change by steps	0	
Contact	Node-to-face contact	o	
(continued)	Node-to-node contact	•	•
	Face-to-face contact		•
Kinematic joints		o	
Loads a	nd boundary conditions		
	Prescribed support		•
			•
		•	•
		•	•
Mechanical		o	
		•	•
		o	•
	Surface		•
	Volume		•
	3D (spatial variation)	•	•
Temperature	4D (spatial and temporal variation)	•	•
	Temperature loads from external file	•	
Enforced motion		•	
Initial stressistics	Unbalanced	•	
Initial stress/strain	Balanced	o	
Initial damage for composite		•	
		•	
Restraints	Change by steps	•	
Geometry imperfections		•	
Free-volume strain			•

General capabilities	Specific capabilities	Simcenter Samcef Solver	Simcenter Multimech
Microscale boundary conditions	Linear displacements		•
	Periodic displacements		•
	Planar displacements		•
	Uniform tractions		•
	Initial temperature	•	•
	Prescribed temperature	•	•
	Heat sources		
	Nodal	•	•
Thermal diffusion	Surface	•	•
	Volume	•	•
	Surface convection	•	•
	Internal heat source	•	•

#### Legend:

- Supported in solver and in the Simcenter 3D environment
- Means the solver supports this capability, but it is not supported in the Simcenter 3D environment.

Notes:

- Simcenter Multimech base package allows executing jobs with up to 2 parallel threads[cores. Additional parallel computing can be enabled by Simcenter Multimech HPC Add-on.
- Each Simcenter Multimech HPC Add-on enables 4 additional parallel threads cores. Can be sold in multiple quantities, except for node locked licenses, which limits to 1 HPC add-on seat

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