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Employees and robots working directly together in production: Mercedes-Benz Cars receives international award for groundbreaking “Robot Farming” production concept

Left to right: Dr. Michael Zürn, Senior Manager Process Engineering Joining and Assembly Technology at Mercedes-Benz Cars, receives the ‘IEEE Robotics and Automation Award for Product Innovation’ from Dr. Raja Chatila, President Executive Committee IEEE Robotics & Automation Society.

- Markus Schäfer, Member of the Divisional Board of Mercedes-Benz Cars, Production and Supply Chain Management: “The award for the “Robot Farming” production concept affirms our position in progressive, revolutionary production technologies of tomorrow.”
- Successful testing of applications involving light-duty robots for series production

Stuttgart/Hong Kong –Mercedes-Benz Cars has received an award for its groundbreaking “Robot Farming” production concept at the annual International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) in Hong Kong. “Robot Farming” stands for overcoming previously irreconcilable antitheses in production technology: The concept allows people and robots to work together directly in production, without a protective fence. In this interaction,

the movements of the robot are directly influenced by the actions of the person. In this way, the person and the lightweight robot can carry out intricate assembly work together as part of an optimized production process. Mercedes-Benz Cars received the “IEEE Robotics and Automation Award for Product Innovation”. Since 2010, the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) has bestowed this award for new, innovative and commercially viable developments and products in the field of automation and robotics.

“The award for the “Robot Farming” production concept affirms our position in progressive, revolutionary production technologies of tomorrow,” says Markus Schäfer, Member of the Divisional Board of Mercedes-Benz Cars, Production and Supply Chain Management. “We aim for premium cars and top quality.

These innovative technologies will bring us forward in automotive production in terms of quality and efficiency. At the same time, the robot facilitates the work of our employees by taking over tiring tasks.”

About “Robot Farming” at Mercedes-Benz Cars

Mercedes-Benz was the first automotive manufacturer to recognize the potential of the reactive light-duty robot, and successfully test it in series production in the course of pilot applications. This is based on a strategic partnership with the robot and machine engineering company KUKA AG from 2012. In operating tests, employees of both companies investigate procedures including screwing processes in vehicle assembly. In the adaptable production systems of the future, innovative new lightweight robots and employees will work together very closely without the robot replacing the person. Mercedes-Benz calls this holistic production system “Robot Farming”, which combines the

cognitive and physical abilities of the person with the consistency, precision and stamina of the robot. Depending on the unit volumes and production scopes required, the employee can add one or more robots and assign them flexibly to various workstations, or even work with them in the same area without a protective fence. The robot can be positioned in a way that provides the best ergonomic support for the employee. For example, the light-duty robot can take on taxing duties like overhead work.

About the IEEE award

The IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) is the world's largest professional association of engineers in the fields of electronics and IT, with more than 395,000 members in over 160 countries. Its activities include organizing professional conferences, and it publishes a number of specialist journals.



- Ford China May sales reach 93,323 wholesales, up 32%; year-to-date sales reach 461,473 vehicles, up 39%;
- CAF passenger car May sales reach 67,454 wholesales, up 32%; year-to-date sales reach 330,771 vehicles, up 43%;
- JMC May vehicle sales reach 21,342 wholesales, up 25%; year-to-date sales reach 113,926 vehicles, up 21%;

SHANGHAI, China, June 6, 2014 - Ford China sales grew 32 percent in May with 93,323 wholesales sold compared to 70,449 wholesales in May 2013. Year-to-date sales were up 39 percent, with 461,473 wholesales sold compared to 332,308 wholesales sold in the first five months of 2013.

Passenger car sales for Ford China—which include imported cars—grew 35 percent in May with 71,981 vehicles sold compared to 53,392 in May 2013. Ford has sold 347,547 passenger cars so far in 2014, up 46 percent from 238,100 vehicles sold during the same period last year.

“Our sales are a direct reflection of our continued commitment to bring the best of Ford to China with a great lineup of Ford cars and utilities that offer high quality, great fuel efficiency, world class safety and smart technologies,” said John Lawler, Chairman and

Chief Executive Officer, Ford Motor China. “We are honored that customers are increasingly deciding that Ford vehicles are the best choice to power their lives.”

Changan Ford Automobile (CAF), Ford's passenger car joint venture, sold 67,454 vehicles in May, up 32 percent from 51,008 sold during the same period last year. Year-to-date sales reached 330,771 vehicles, up 43 percent compared to the first five months of 2013.

Featuring great fuel-efficiency, safety, quality, and smart technologies, demand for both the Ford Mondeo and the Ford Focus continued to increase last month. Ford Mondeo nameplate sales were up 90 percent with 10,395 vehicles sold in May while Ford Focus nameplate sales reached 33,341 vehicles, up 22 percent compared to May 2013

Jiangling Motors Corporation (JMC), Ford's commercial vehicle investment in China, also continued to turn in steady growth, with sales rising 25 percent in May, selling 21,342 vehicles compared 17,057 sold in May 2013. JMC's year-to-date sales were up 21 percent with 113,926 vehicles sold, up from 94,208 in the first five months of 2013.

Late last month, Ford China launched its flagship Conservation and Environmental Grants China (CEGC) program, and Level Up!, its capacity-building program for green NGOs. This year, CEGC will be awarding RMB2

million in grants to better support domestic environmental efforts.

Since its establishment 14 years ago, CEGC has awarded the great work of 325 grassroots environmental leaders and groups in China. For more information, please visit www.fordgreen.com.cn.

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Editor's note: All sales figures quoted are based on wholesale numbers.



(Source: Royal Navy; issued June 17, 2014)

The Navy's newest helicopter paid its first visit to one of the grand old ladies of the Fleet when Wildcat landed aboard HMS Illustrious off the Cornish coast.

The state-of-the-art helicopter, based with 700W Naval Air Squadron, dropped in on the veteran assault ship as the latter took part in the biggest anti-submarine exercise the Royal Navy has run in decades, Deep Blue.

Nine Merlin Mk2 helicopters have joined Lusty for the three-week war game, which began off the Lizard peninsula before moving out into the grey wastes of the Western Approaches.

New Wildcat Debuts Aboard Illustrious

The Navy's new helicopter has paid its first visit to HMS Illustrious – dropping in on the veteran carrier during a submarine hunting exercise off Cornwall. Wildcat, which will replace the long-serving Lynx on the front line from next year, touched down on Lusty in the middle of Exercise Deep Blue.

The Merlins are flying around the clock as they try to hunt down Dutch diesel and British nuclear boat in the eternal game of anti-submarine warfare cat and mouse.

To support the exercise, however, there are regular flights between Royal Naval Air Stations back in the UK – delivering personnel, supplies, stores and the like.

The Wildcat was making one such delivery – on deck for a matter of minutes to drop off a passenger and take on fuel.

The successor to the Lynx is in the middle of extensive trials before entering front-line service next year.

“On a busy flight deck operating Merlin and Sea King helicopters, the latest addition to the Fleet Air Arm looked right at home,” said Cdr Mike Ryan, *Illustrious*’ Commander Air.

“As someone who was closely involved with bringing Wildcat into service, it was both a great pleasure and privilege to welcome this highly impressive new helicopter on to *Illustrious* for the very first time.”

Wildcat will continue training and trials with 700W, based at RNAS Yeovilton in Somerset, until the end of July.

Then the squadron disbands and a new Wildcat squadron forms on August 1, 825 NAS, which will be the parent unit for training all air and ground crew working on the new helicopter, as well overseeing the flights which will operate from Royal Navy frigates and destroyers deployed around the globe.



Transformers: The Movies that Made Camaro a Star

– A Chevrolet Camaro that converts into the iconic Bumblebee

A look at the evolution of Bumblebee in the Transformers movie franchise

DETROIT – A Chevrolet Camaro that converts into the iconic Bumblebee returns to the big screen in Michael Bay’s “Transformers: Age of Extinction” in theaters June 27.

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“In all the Transformers films, Chevrolet vehicles get to play the heroes,” said Tim Mahoney, chief marketing officer, Global Chevrolet. “These movies have helped us get our vehicles in front of a younger audience around the world.”

This is the Camaro’s fourth appearance in a Transformers film. The first three movies

helped propel Camaro to sales leadership in its segment for the past four years.

“Being a part of the Transformers franchise is an incredible way to showcase the design work of which GM is capable,” said Ed Welburn, vice president of GM Global Design. “The global series gets our cutting-edge designs in front of more potential customers than we could through traditional methods.”

Transformers (2007) In the first film of the series, Bumblebee goes through arguably his biggest change. The car starts off as a hand-me-down 1977 second-generation Camaro. The car is anything but flashy, with rust and primer spots, its famous yellow paint covered in patina.

Bumblebee eventually converts into a fifth-generation Camaro. However, this was in July 2007, two years before the Camaro would go on sale, so Chevrolet had to build a one-off running concept for the movie.

The vehicle used body panels made from the same molds that were used for the 2006 Camaro Concept, which was on the auto show circuit the year before. The body was fit to a chassis of a Holden Monaro to make it capable of performing in the film.

Its starring role in Transformers helped cement the fifth-generation Camaro as one of the coolest cars to come on the market in the following years.

Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (2009) and Transformers: Dark of the Moon (2011)

With Revenge of the Fallen coming out only a few months after the latest Camaro went on sale, the movie depicted a modified production version of the Camaro. The yellow Camaro sported the signature black rally stripes on the hood and trunk deck lid, a mailslot hood, and a custom front bumper.

For Dark of the Moon, Bumblebee was upgraded to the SS model with a subtle update to its color, sporting a more amber hue than the previous model's pure yellow. The vehicle sported darker wheels and a new paint scheme that included wider rally stripes and black side mirrors.

Transformers: Age of Extinction (2014) For the latest installment, Michael Bay asked the design team at GM to redesign Bumblebee to give him an updated look. With a specific focus on making him look more aggressive and muscular, the job was well suited to the North Hollywood Design Center.

The Center is just down the street from Paramount Pictures and as GM's advanced design center, pens some of the most forward-looking designs to wear a bowtie badge.

The team designed a vehicle specifically for the movie with a new fascia and bulked up sides to create a leaner, meaner Bumblebee, with design cues that could put it years into the future.

But one Transformer can't fight on his own, which is why the team was also tasked with designing an Allspark Green Tint Corvette Stingray to play Crosshairs and a Chevrolet Sonic rally car. Those vehicles will be joined by the Trax, which recently went on sale in China, and is set to go on sale in the U.S. early next year.

The movie makes extensive use of GM facilities as settings for the film. Scenes were filmed on Milford, Mich. Proving Ground, at the GM Design Center in Warren, Mich., including Welburn's office and the Lansing, Mich., Delta Township Assembly Plant.

For example, at the Warren Technical Center, the production brought 200 people and 50 semi-trailers and filmed with minimal disruption to the work going on during the day.

About Chevrolet

Founded in 1911 in Detroit, Chevrolet is now one of the world's largest car brands, doing business in more than 140 countries and selling more than 4.9 million cars and trucks a year. Chevrolet provides customers with fuel-efficient vehicles that feature spirited performance, expressive design, and high quality. More information on Chevrolet models can be found at www.chevrolet.com.



The Importance of Engineering Simulation for Innovation

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NickVeikosInnovation. We hear the word with increasing frequency in today's business environment. In the April 2014 issue of the Harvard Business Review (HBR Vol. 92, No. 4), the editors used Google's Ngram Viewer to track the frequency of a variety of familiar business terms used in books over the past century. Their premise was that language is a reflection of our culture, and the phrases used reflect our shifting priorities. In this study, the word "innovation" showed more than a five-fold increase in frequency of use over this period; much larger than either "management" or "leadership."

In the same issue of HBR, "innovation in response to customer requirements" was

highlighted as one key way in which manufacturers in developed countries are competing successfully with those in emerging economies with much lower labor costs.

The U.S patent office received over 575,000 patent applications in 2012, more than six times the number received in 1962, and 60% more than in 2002. So, innovation is not only increasing, it is accelerating rapidly.

Enabling Innovation

There are many factors that enable innovation. A culture of creativity and flexibility is key, but so is the ability to quickly test new ideas and identify those that merit further development.

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With the use of computer aided engineering (CAE) simulation, today's trials can be virtual. This approach can be orders of magnitude faster and cheaper than innovation by building one physical prototype after another. In our rapidly moving and competitive world, vetting new ideas and processes in a virtual environment provides significant advantages compared with traditional physical experiments. An engineer can dream up a new concept during a morning shower, flesh it out a bit more during the drive to work, simulate it by lunchtime to prove feasibility, and have a solid, defensible proposal on the manager's desk by 3 o'clock. With sufficient computer hardware, a hundred different variations of the original concept will be ready to review by morning. Someone taking the traditional physical testing approach would be lucky to have the paperwork requesting lab resources completed in this same timeframe.

Savings in time and cost are not the only advantages that simulation has to offer. Sometimes, innovation happens by accident. For example, making minor modifications

during product testing or changing materials may yield huge performance benefits. The reasons for the improvement may not always be understood; testing is great for answering what happened, but not always so good for answering why it happened. You need a lot more testing for that — or you can simulate.

Because simulation can help engineers visualize the relevant parameters, it can provide insight and understanding not easily achievable by testing. New products that rely on multiple physics working together are the most complex to test and are those where simulation brings the most benefits. Simulation answers the "why" question, which is critical when filing for a patent or when deciding whether to further pursue a concept.

Simulate Early and Often

The pace of change is fast and getting faster with breakthrough technologies like additive manufacturing. Traditional manufacturing constraints will soon disappear, opening a new universe of potential designs for even everyday items.

With this increased pace comes increased risk. A company may be looking at dozens of innovative ideas. How does it decide which ones to proceed with? While the basis of this decision is multi-faceted, simulation can certainly help. One obvious way is to model the innovation to ensure that it can achieve the performance and benefits required for success. In addition, CAE simulation can help determine the manufacturing methods, tolerances and material requirements for a successful implementation, thereby helping to put a number on production cost and timeframe. Without simulating early on, it is difficult to

rationally draw these conclusions before committing significant time and resources.

Like most things that have increased risk, there is also potential for increased reward. Businesses at the forefront of innovation who embrace simulation level the playing field as they compete with more established and conservative rivals.

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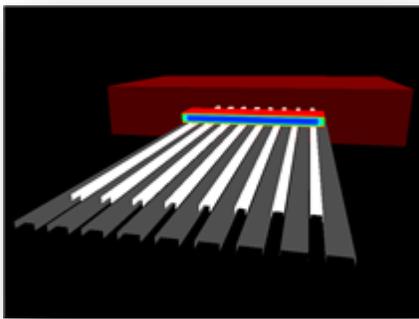
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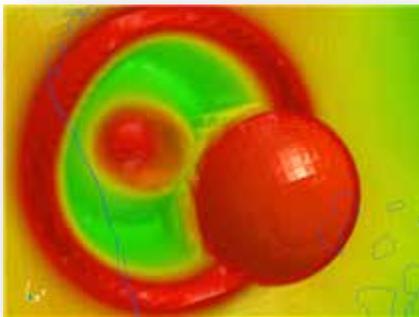


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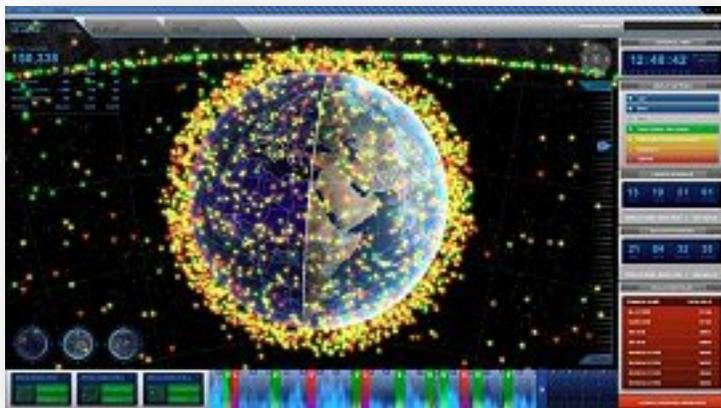


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Debris from space collisions. Spent rocket stages. Dead satellites. Numbered in the tens of thousands, these and other fast-moving “space junk” orbiting the earth can be lethal to spacecraft and satellites in their path.

These threats will be combatted by the U.S. Air Force’s Space Fence program, which today was awarded to Lockheed Martin under a five-year \$914.7 million contract to build an advanced ground-based radar system on the Kwajalein Atoll to improve the way we identify and track objects in space. Utilizing a powerful, new ground-based radar, Space Fence will enhance the way the U.S. detects, tracks, measures and catalogs orbiting objects and space debris with improved accuracy, better timeliness and increased surveillance coverage.

Lockheed Martin will deliver up to two advanced S-band phased array radars for the Space Fence program. The Space Fence radar system will greatly improve Space Situational

Awareness of the existing Space Surveillance Network.

“Space-based technologies enable daily conveniences such as weather forecasting, banking, global communications and GPS navigation, yet everyday these critical services are being threatened by hundreds of thousands of objects orbiting Earth,” said Dale Bennett, executive vice president of Lockheed Martin’s Mission Systems and Training business. “Space Fence will locate and track these objects with more precision than ever before to help the Air Force transform space situational awareness from being reactive to predictive.”

The system’s design incorporates a scalable, solid-state S-band radar with a higher wavelength ...

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PDB WorldSID-50

DYNAmore has developed a model of the WorldSID 50%. The model is validated with material, component and sled tests. The model was developed with a consortium of the German OEMs (PDB: Audi, BMW, Daimler, Porsche, and VW). The methods applied are the same as in the previous projects with the FAT for the ES-2, ES-2re, USSID, and BIORID model. The table below provides some general information about the release 2.0.1 of the WorldSID 50th percentile male model:

FTSS SID-IIs Model

The dummy represents a small female body and is used in an IIHS side impact load case, in the FMVSS214 and the US-NCAP load cases. The table below provides some general information about the release 3.1a of the SID-IIs model. A version for Build Level C (BLC) and Level D (BLD) is available.

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The dummy is used in the legal authorization in South Korea, Australia, China and India. The

FAT ES-2 and ES-2re Dummy Model

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table below provides some general information about the actual release 3.6 of the model.

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The latest model of the FAT US-SID is version v5.0. The dummy is used in the subsiding FMVSS214 regulation and in the SINCAP load case. The modified version, the SIDHIII v5.1 is used in lateral impact to a pole. For both dummies a detailed model is available. The table below provides some general information about the actual multiple validated model of the US-SID.

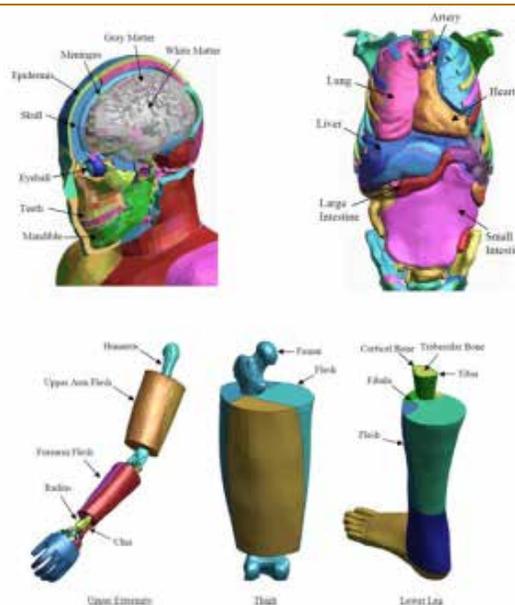
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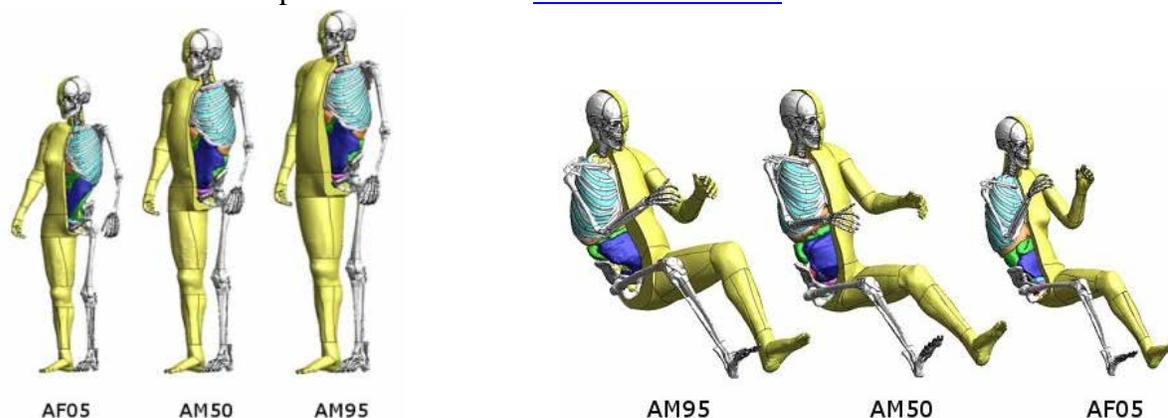


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His primary work focus is in the area of multi-physics simulations, crash simulation, impact simulation, and material model development for isotropic and composite materials..

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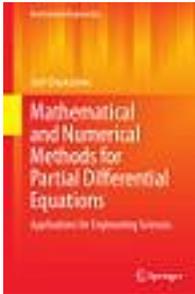
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Excerpt of: [Mild Traumatic Brain Injury-Mitigating Football Helmet Design Evaluation](#)

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ABSTRACT

Concussion, as known as mild Traumatic Brain Injury (mTBI), is the most common sport-related head injury. Football is the most common sport with higher concussions in USA. Helmet is the equipment being used in mitigation of mTBI. There are numerous designs of helmets which meet the requirements of sport regulation committee. In this paper, a football helmet is evaluated using numerical methods. The brain and the tissues in human head are modelled using continuum Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics (SPH). The brain tissues are generated by segmentation from human brain MRI data. The LSTC dummy is used to represent the football players. The brain tissue is fitted in the cavity of the dummy headform. Two different impact scenarios are simulated in this study. The results for these impact conditions are presented.

INTRODUCTION

Concussion, as known as mild Traumatic Brain Injury (mTBI), is the most common sport-related head injury. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates reveal 1.6 million to 3.8 million concussions occur each year in USA. Football is the most common sport with higher concussion risk due to the nature of the sport. A professional football player will receive an estimated 900 to 1500 blows to the head during a season. Impact speed of a football player tackling a stationary player is around 25mph. The topic of concussions and the effect that they have on the human brain are being increasingly scrutinized by media, political personnel and research community.

Tremendous amount of research studies have been conducted by medical, defense and academic communities in understanding the etiology of concussion, treatment protocols and mitigation strategies by designing better equipment.

Helmets are being developed and marketed in order to mitigate the mTBI. These helmets meet the requirements of the existing standards by National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE) [1]. Helmet testing to assess the impact performance is documented in Reference[2]. Impact test comparison of 20th and 21st century American football helmets is provides by

Bartsch, et al[3]. The helmet designs vary widely. The designs are based upon simple inner foam padding, energy absorbing adapting head protection system, multi-directional protective systems, use of shear-thickening fluid layers, etc. The effects of pad composition, geometry and material stiffness were studied by Moss et al.[4]. Viano, et al studied the effect of mouthguards on head responses and mandible forces in football helmet impacts[5].

Externally applied foam is also used in football helmets for impact reduction [6].

The numerical analysis of the human head models using the finite element technique is being used extensively for the past few decades. A literature review of the finite element human head models which are used in the medical and engineering fields is given by Samaka et al. [7]. Patient specific finite element head models are generated by Johnson Ho [8] based on Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) scans. A multiscale computational estimation of axonal damage under inertial loading of the head was investigated by Wright et al.[9] using two dimensional finite element models of the head constructed from detailed MRI and Diffusion Tensor Imaging (DTI).

Full-scale anthropomorphic test devices (ATD) that simulates dimensions and weight of the human body are being used in automotive crash testing and occupant protection modeling. The finite element model of ATD for impact analysis is available from Livermore Software Technology Corporation (LSTC).

The brain that basically floats inside the skull is surrounded by cerebral spinal fluid. The head is subjected to linear acceleration and or a rotational acceleration during an impact or a blow. During the linear impact, the brain strikes the inner skull in acceleration and then hits the opposite side of the skull in deceleration and in the rotational acceleration scenario, the brain tissues are subjected to shear due to rotation of the head. In either case, the delicate neural pathways in the brain can become damaged, causing neurological disturbances.

In this study, a generic helmet with foam padding is used in design evaluation for mitigation of brain injury. The brain geometry is developed from MRI image using segmentation technique. The brain is modeled using continuum SPH technique. The player is represented by H3 LSTC 50th percentile dummy.

METHODS

BRAIN MODELING: A brain section is shown in Figure 1.

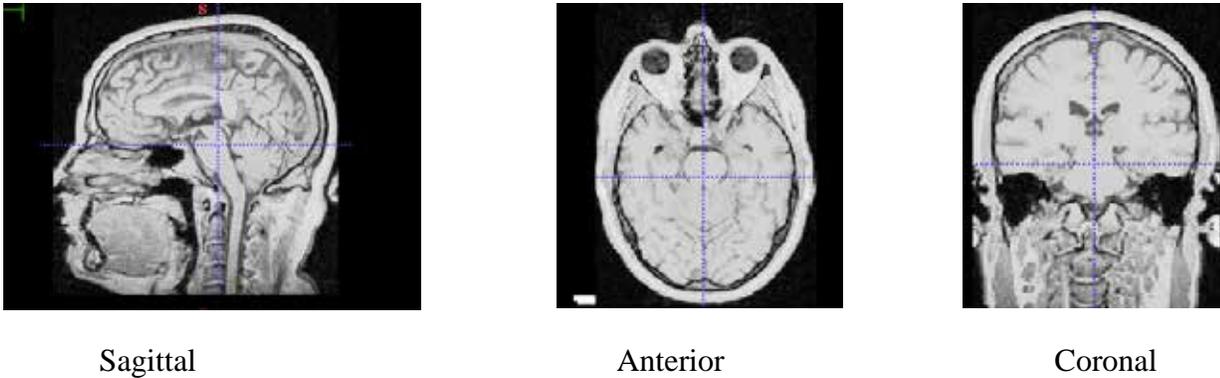


Figure 1. Brain Sectional Views

3D view of the brain tissue is obtained by segmentation of the MRI image using ITK-SNAP [10] program. The SPH model of the whole brain is shown in Fig. 2.

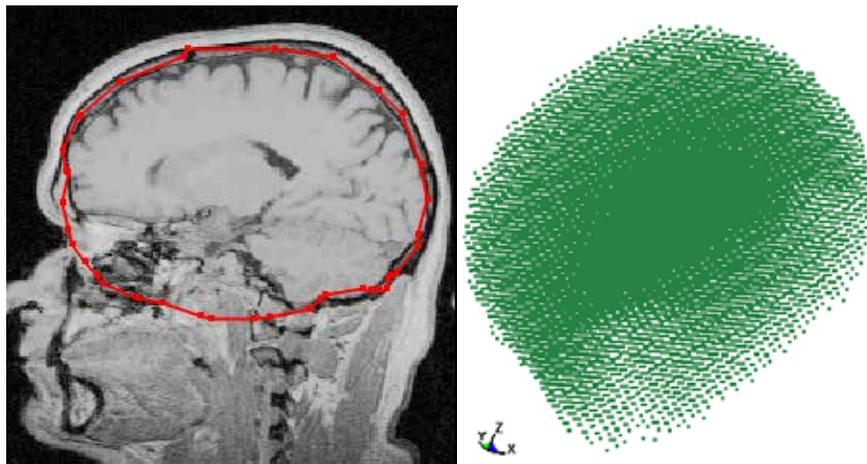


Fig.2 MRI image and approximated SPH mesh.

The material model for approximated brain is assumed as viscoelastic material and the constants used in the analyses are:-

Density = 1100 kg/m³, Bulk Modulus = 500 MPa, G₀ = 2.0MPa, G_i=1Mpa and Beta = 700/sec.

HELMET MODEL: A generic helmet model is shown in Fig. 3.

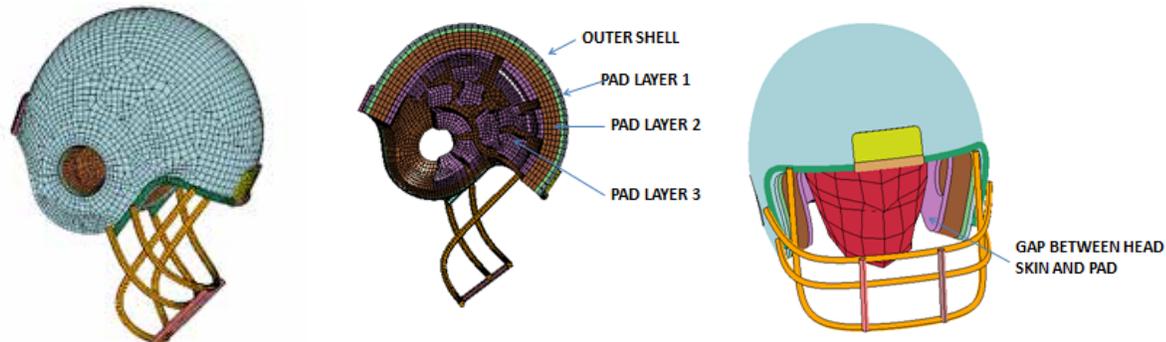


Fig. 3 Helmet Model and Energy Absorbing Pads.

The outer shell is modeled as plastic_kinematic material with Density=1200 kg/m³, Young's modulus = 1.50GPa, Yield Stress = 80MPa and Tangent Modulus =1.5 MPa.

The energy absorbing pads are modeled as low density EPP foam with varying densities, Distribution of the foam is unsymmetrical and symmetric as shown in Fig 3. The symmetric foam model has some gaps between the skin and the foam pad as shown in the figure 3.

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