

3D ANISOTROPIC MODELLING OF DEEP DRIFTS AT THE MEUSE/HAUTE-MARNE URL

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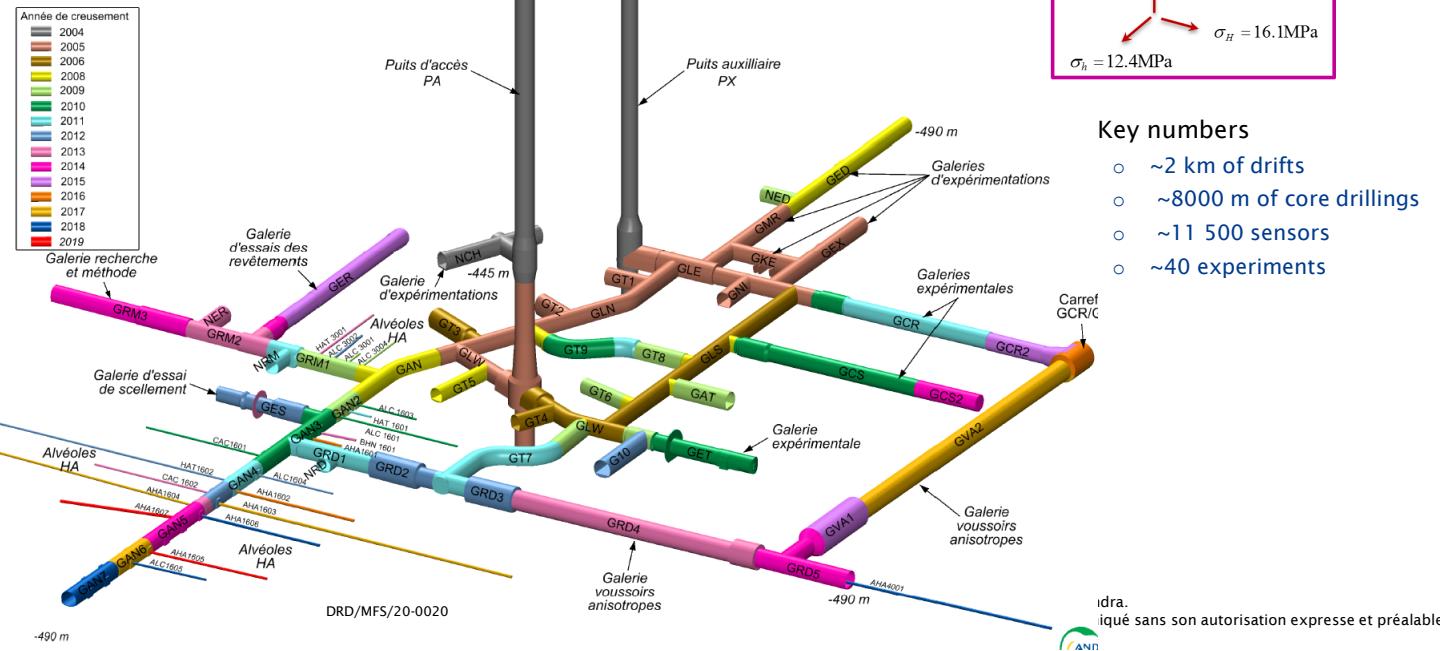
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Meuse/Haute Marne Underground Research Laboratory (Andra URL)

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Andra started in 2000 to build the URL for research on the feasibility of a possible deep geological repository (Cigéo project)

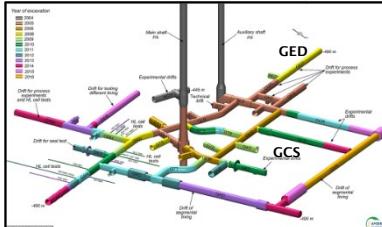
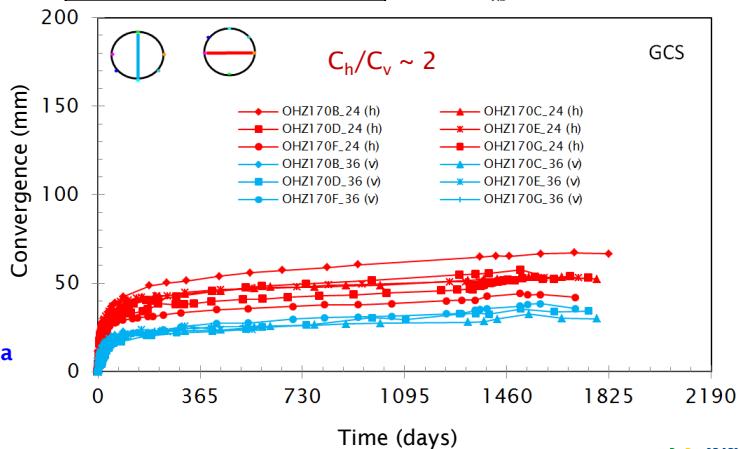
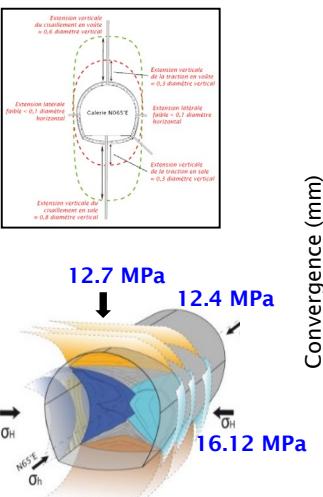
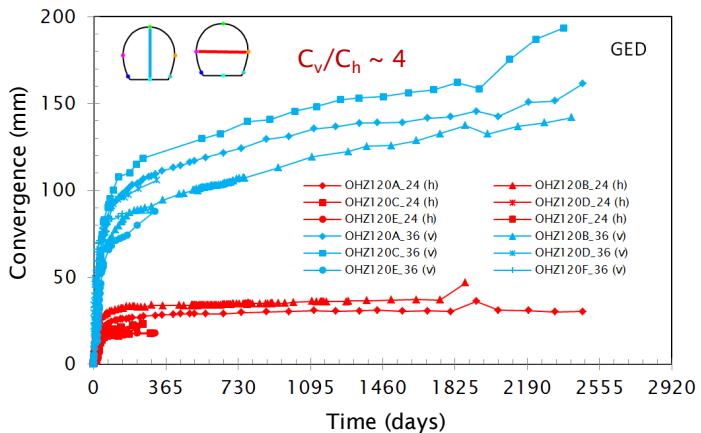
- **Scientific and technological program to**
 - Characterize the confining properties of the claystone CO_x
 - Test and Demonstrate the feasibility of the repository components
 - Optimize concept/design of the different components



Behavior of drifts within the Andra URL

In-situ observations – Excavation induced fractured zone

- Anisotropic induced fractured zone: extension is proportional to the drift diameter
- Fractured zone plays an important role for hydromechanical responses
 - Anisotropic convergence
 - Anisotropic pore pressure field around drift



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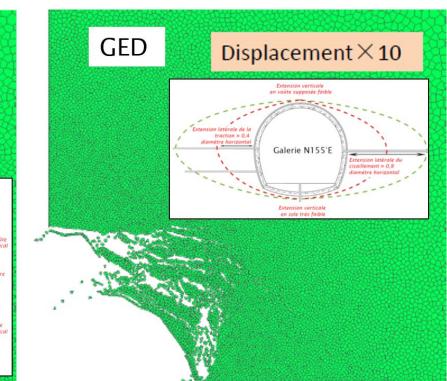
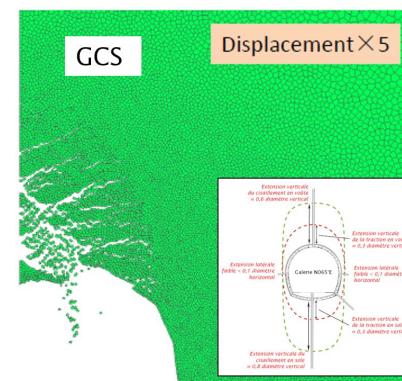
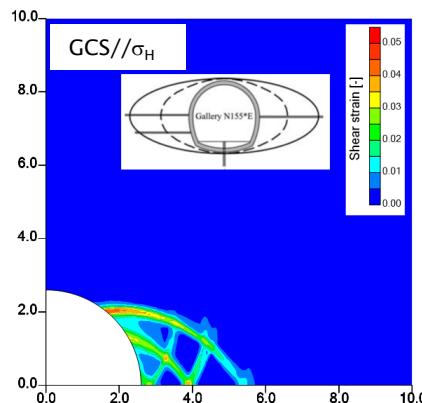
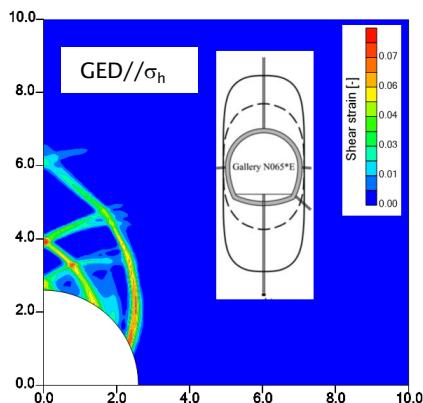
Overview of modeling- Excavation induced fractured zone

- ~15 teams have worked on the modeling of excavation induced damage around drifts in Andra URL

- Approches continuum mechanic/discrete/hybrid elements

- Differents constitutive models: elasto-damage, elasto-visco-plastic, ...
- Hydro-mechanical coupling
- Necessity of anisotropic stiffness and strength
- Advanced numerical modeling: non-local, second gradient regularization, far-field methods

2D representation

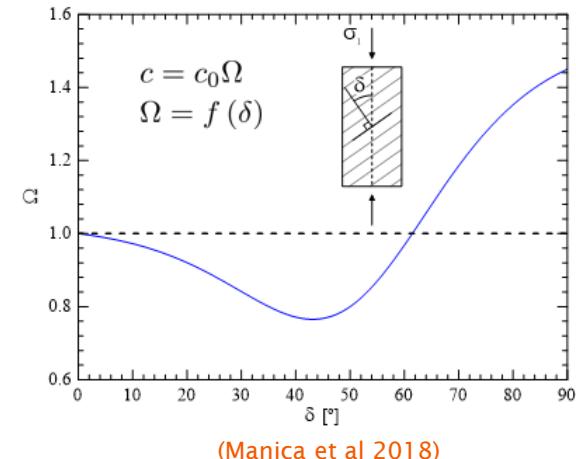


Non-local anisotropic elasto-visco-plastic model (Manica et al 2018)

Extended rigid block spring method (Yao et al 2017)

Anisotropic behavior of geomaterials

- Sedimentary rock exhibits transverse isotropy
 - Mechanical behavior is a directional dependency: stiffness, strengths
 - Maximum strength generally corresponds to the direction perpendicular to bending
 - Minimum strength reached when θ between 30 to 60° with respect to bending
- 3 main classes of models for anisotropic geomaterials
 - Empirical description based on the variation of cohesion and/or friction
 - Models based on plasticity and/or damage theory formulated in the framework of the thermodynamics of irreversible processes
 - Discontinuous Weakness Plane (DWP) concept or « Ubiquitous joints »
 - Description of the physical mechanism related to the failure process
 - Extension of Griffith theory
- Purposes: 3D modeling for induced anisotropy of excavation induced damage around drifts in MHM-URL by a coupling between ubiquitous joints and elasto-plastic matrix implemented in FLAC3D
 - Induced anisotropy is due to
 - Failure of rock matrix based on elastoplastic approach
 - Failure of weakness planes occurs in post peak behavior of rock matrix



(Manica et al 2018)

Constitutive model

Rock matrix

- Shear yield functions (initiation, peak, residual) (Souley et al 2017)
 - Hoek-Brown criteria formulated by three stress invariant (p, q, θ)
 - Shear strength is lower in extension stress path than in compression stress path
 - Strain hardening (in pre-peak) and strain softening (in post-peak):
Parameters A (friction angle) and B (cohesion) = second order function of γ
plastic distortion
 - Shear strength depends on confining stress \rightarrow brittle – ductile transition

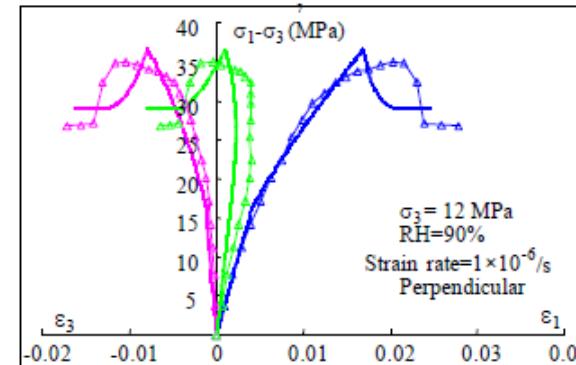
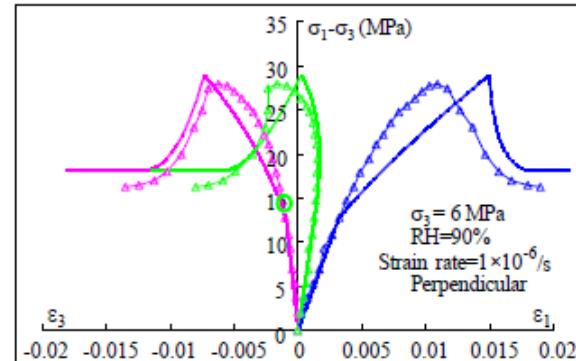
$$F_s^m = \frac{4 \cos^2 \theta}{3} q^2 + \left(\frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sin \theta}{3} \right) q + p - \frac{B}{A} \quad A = \sigma_c m \text{ et } B = s \sigma_c^2$$

- Shear plastic potential

$$G_s^m = \left(\frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{3}} - t_c \frac{\sin \theta}{3} \right) q + \beta(\gamma) p$$

$$\beta(\gamma) = \beta_m - (\beta_m - \beta_0) e^{-b_p \gamma}$$

- Tensile yield function $F_t^m = \sigma - \sigma_t$



Constitutive model

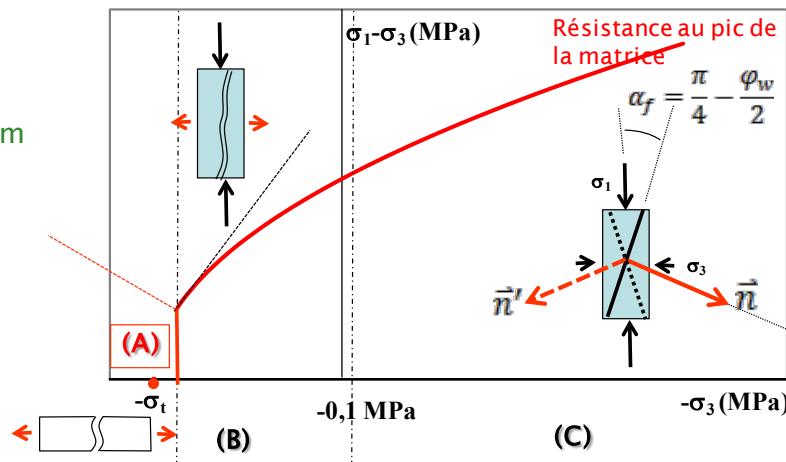
Weakness plane

- Induced fractures represented by weakness planes based on the notation of ubiquitous joints within the rock matrix
- Weakness plane orientation: based on fracture mechanics on brittle material
 - Extension fracture: tensile fracture ($\sigma_3 > \sigma_t$) and longitudinal splitting fracture (weak σ_3 or $\sigma_3 = 0$) \rightarrow weakness plane $\perp \sigma_3$
 - Shear fracture occurs in triaxial compressive stress path: conjugate planes
 - Direction of σ_3
 - normal to $(45^\circ - \Psi_{wp}/2)$ with respect to the axial load direction
 - normal to $\pm(45^\circ - \Psi_{wp}/2)$ with respect to the axial load direction
- Prefectly elastoplastic Mohr-Coulomb
 - Yield functions and plastic potential written in the local coordinate system

$$\begin{cases} F_s^{wp} = \tau + \sigma_{nn} \tan \phi_{wp} - C_{wp} \\ F_t^{wp} = \sigma_{nn} - \sigma_{wp}^t \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} G_s^{wp} = \tau + \sigma_{nn} \tan \psi_{wp} \\ G_t^{wp} = \sigma_{nn} \end{cases}$$

- Dilatancy rate

$$tg(\psi) = \begin{cases} tg(\psi_{wp}) & \text{si } \gamma_{wp} \leq (\gamma^{ult} - \gamma^{pic}) \\ tg(\psi_{wp})e^{(1 - \gamma_{wp})/(\gamma^{ult} - \gamma^{pic})} & \gamma_{wp} > (\gamma^{ult} - \gamma^{pic}) \end{cases}$$



Implementation in FLAC3D via UDM

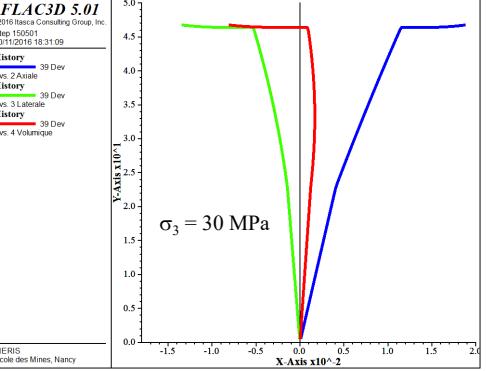
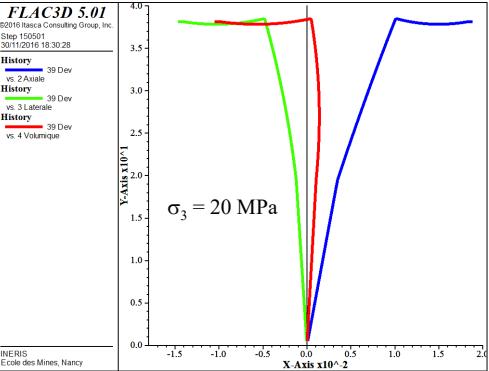
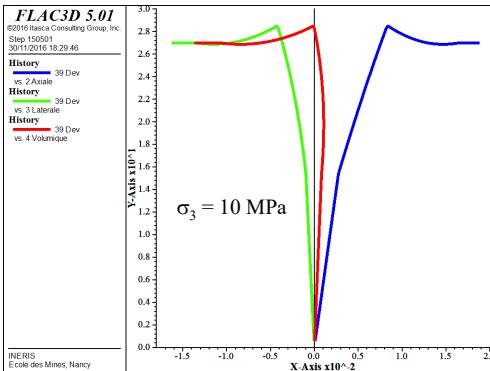
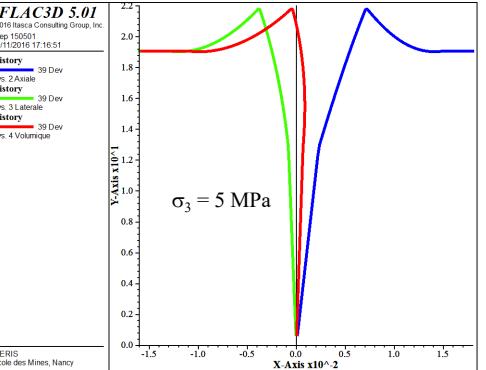
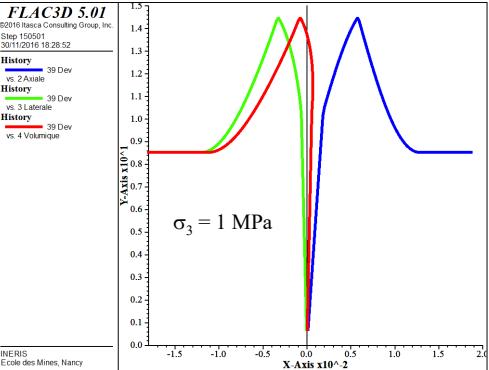
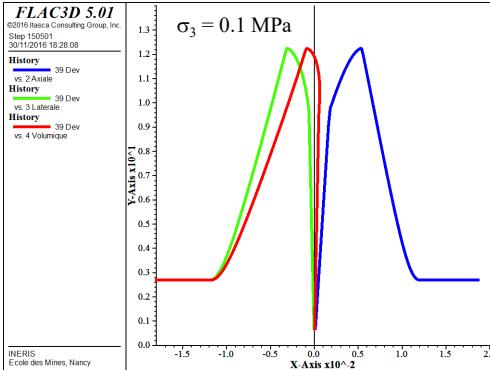
Algorithm

- Input $\Delta\varepsilon$, σ^{old} , κ^{old}
- Computation of the first approximation stress tensor σ^i (p^i, q^i, θ^i)
- Verification of yield function for rock matrix
 - $F^m(p^i, q^i, \theta^i) \leq 0$ the current stress $\sigma^0 = \sigma^i$
 - $F^m(p^i, q^i, \theta^i) > 0$ make correction to get σ^0
- Writing σ^0 in the local system of weakness plan σ'^0 (σ'_n, τ')
- Verification of yield function for weakness plan
 - $F^{wp}(\sigma'_n, \tau') \leq 0$ the current stress $\sigma'^n = \sigma'^0$
 - $F^{wp}(\sigma'_n, \tau') > 0$ make correction to get σ'^n
- Back to global system (x,y,z) σ^{new}
- Update internal plastic variable κ^{new}
- Next step

Simulation triaxial test without WP

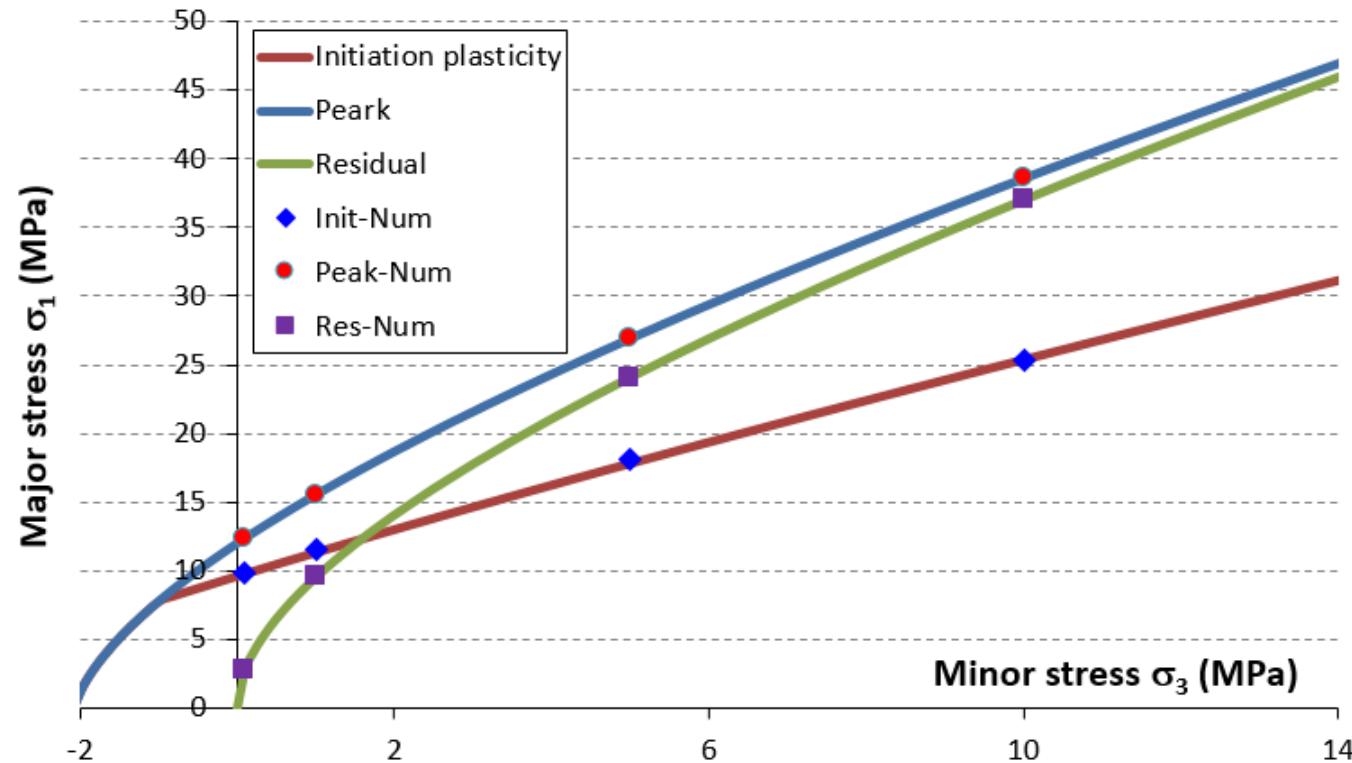
Stress-strain curves

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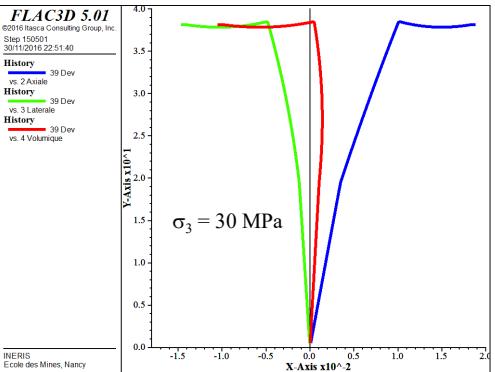
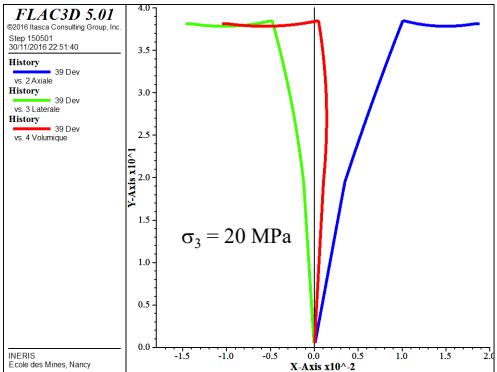
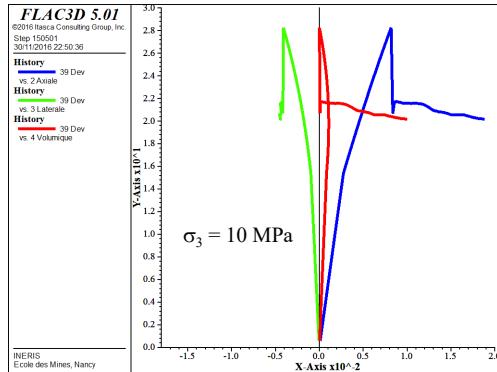
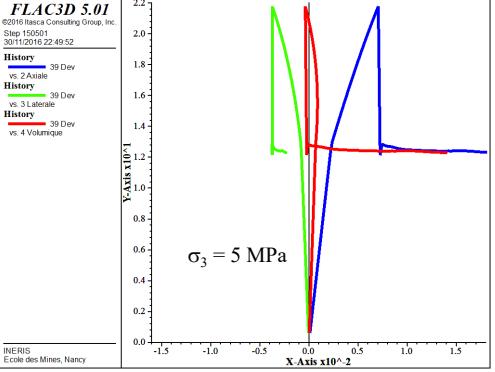
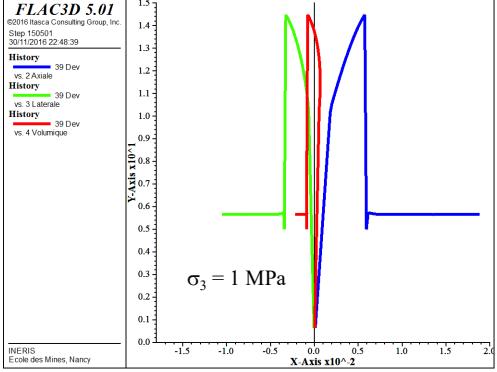
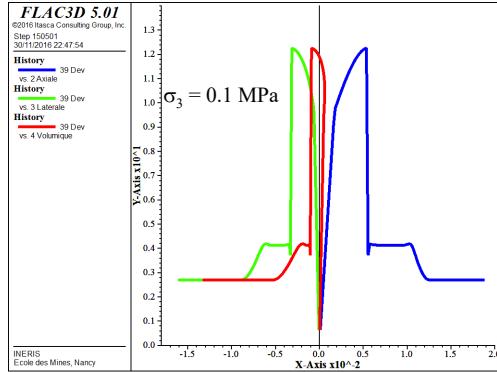
Simulation triaxial test (WP=0)

Yield functions: theoretical vs numerical solutions



Simulation triaxial test with WP

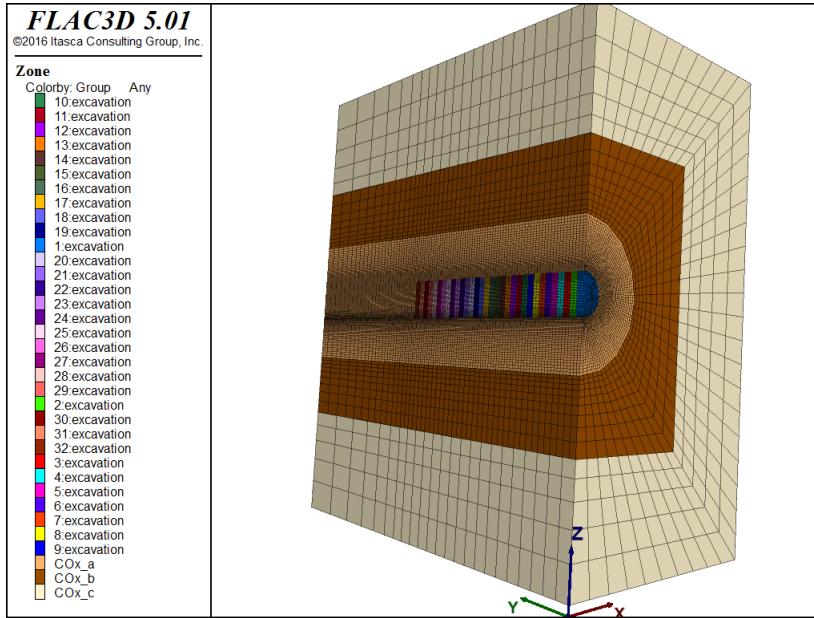
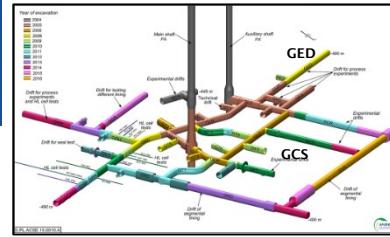
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3D Simulation of structures

Numerical model

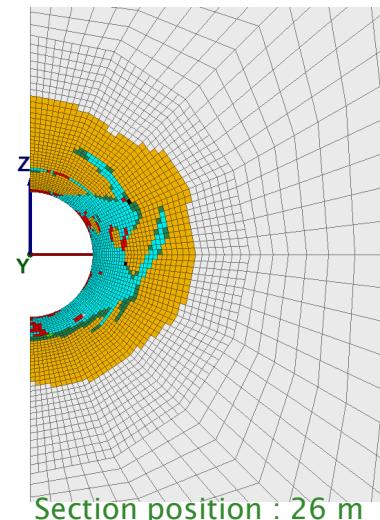
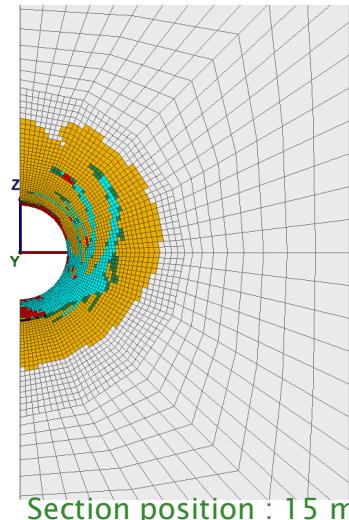
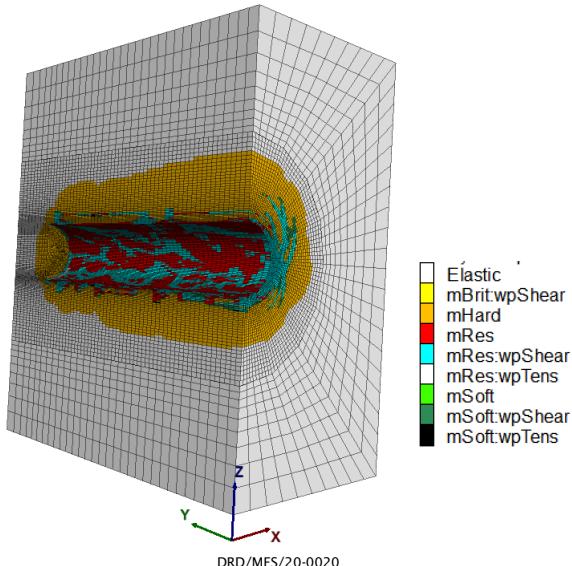
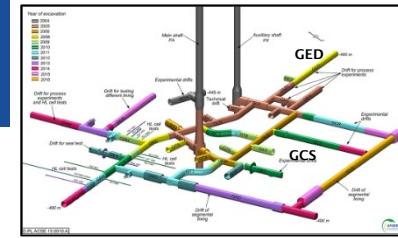
- Two drifts at the main level of Andra URL (-490 m): GCS and GED
 - In situ stresses: $\sigma_H = 16.1$ MPa, $\sigma_h = 12.4$ MPa, $\sigma_v = 12.7$ MPa (Armand et al 2017)
 - Drifts' circular section: radius 2.6 m; length 32 m
 - GCS// σ_H and GED// σ_h
 - 32 steps of excavation



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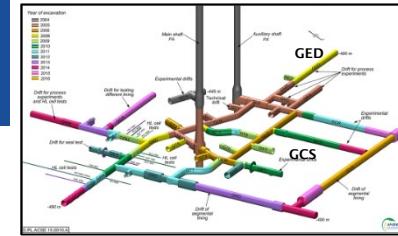
GCS drift // σ_H : Fractured zones

- 3D character
 - distribution of fractured zone varies from one section to another
 - fractures occur behind the front
- Two distinct zones: connected (EDZ) and discrete (EdZ) fracture zones
- Good agreement with in-situ observation in fractured zones' extension
 - Armand et al (2014): Horizontal extensions EDZ = 0.15xD to 0.5xD, EdZ = 0.5xD to 1xD

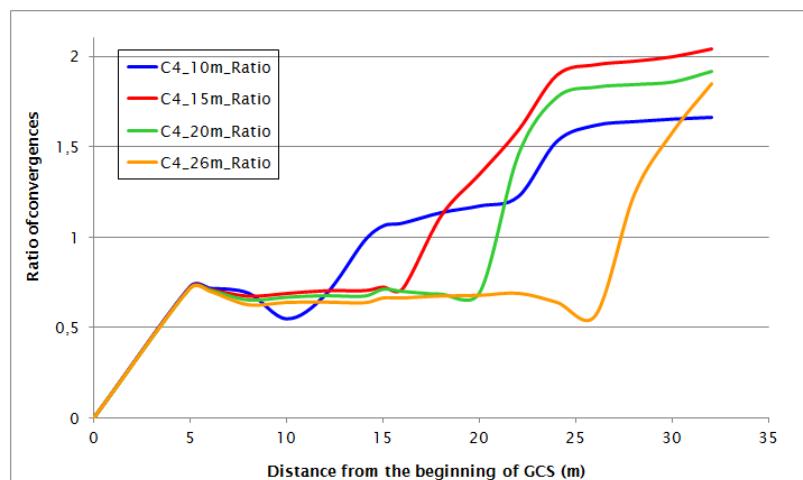
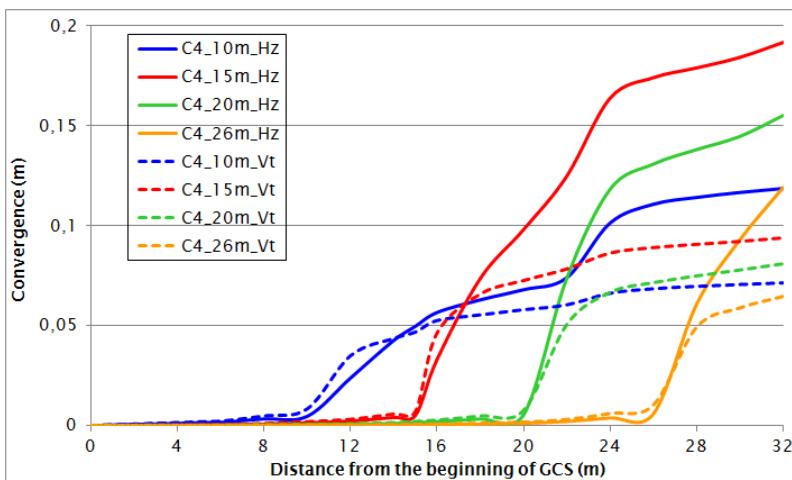


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GCS drift // σ_H : Convergences



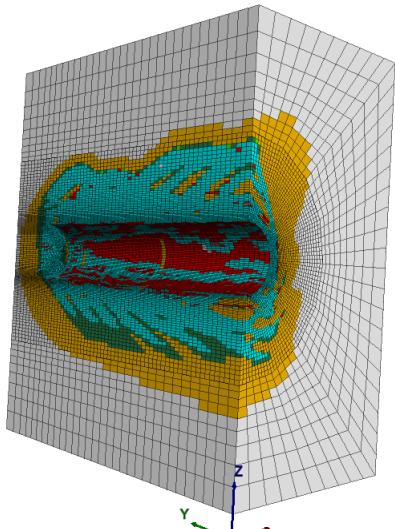
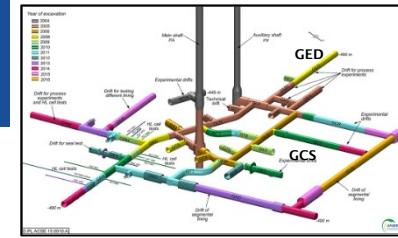
- 3D character
 - Instantaneous convergence varies from one section to another
- Magnitude and ratio of convergences ($Ch/Cv \sim 2$) is in a good agreement with
 - In-situ observation (Armand et al 2013)
 - Empirical model (Guayacan-Carrillo et al 2017)



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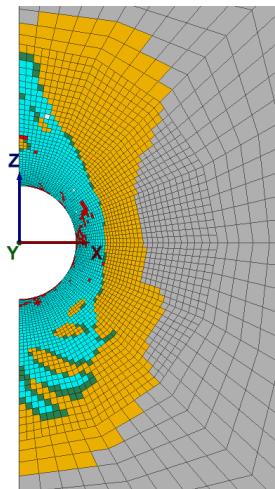
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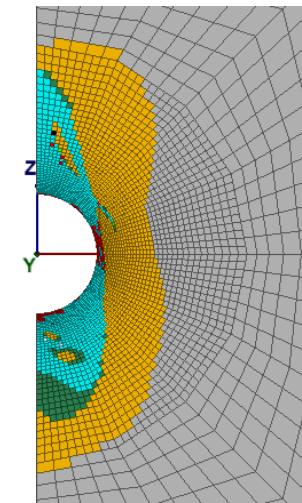


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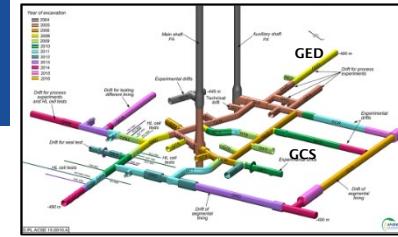
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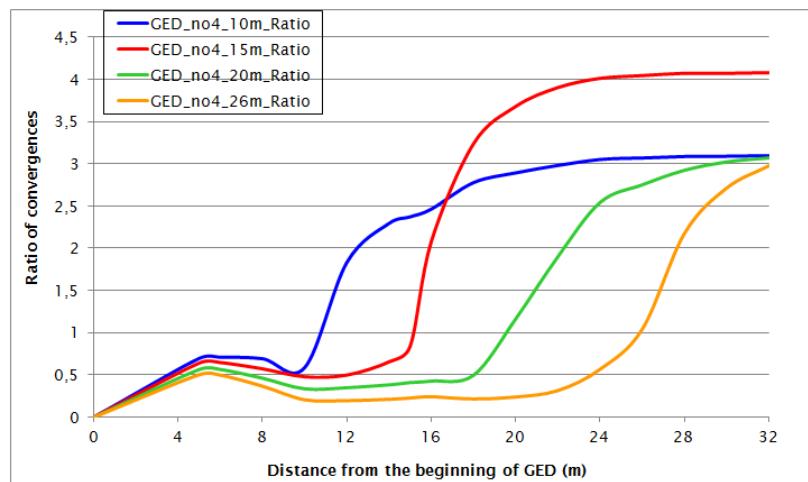
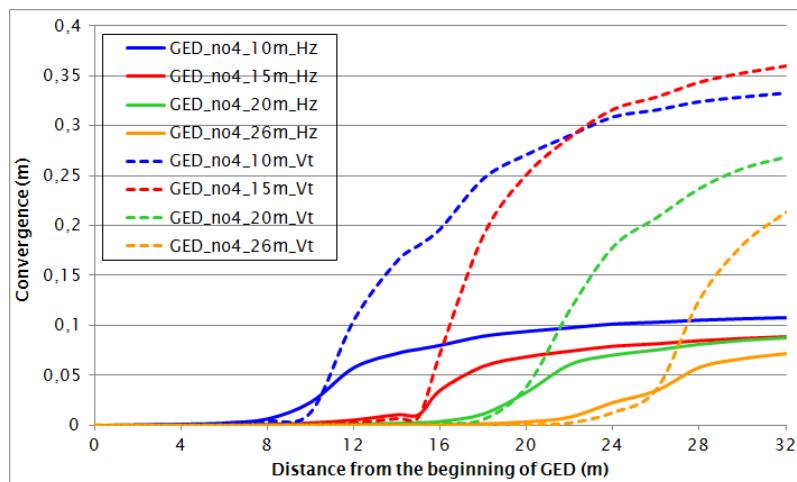
Section position : 26 m

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GED drift // σ_h : Convergences



- 3D character
 - Instantaneous convergence varies from one section to another
- Magnitude and ratio of convergences ($Ch/Cv \sim 3-4$) is in a good agreement with
 - In-situ observation (Armand et al 2013)
 - Empirical model (Guayacan-Carrillo et al 2017)



Conclusions

Induced anisotropy represented by

- Elasto-plastic rock matrix
- Weakness planes (ubiquitous joints) occurring during the post-peak stage
 - Their orientation depends on stress state

Application of the proposed model to describe the 3D excavation of two drifts GCS ($/\sigma_h$) and GED ($/\sigma_h$) in Andra URL

- 3D charaters of excavation induced damage zone and of deformation
- A good agreement with in-situ observations and emperical prediction

First 3D phenomenological model dedicated to both drifts GCS and GED

Further developements (already done)

- Hydromechanical coupling
- Time-dependent behavior
 - Rock matrix (Souley et al 2017)
 - Weakness plane

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