

# Research project offer



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**Department :** DMSM

**Research group :** "Joining" transversal axis [MSC and MS2M]

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## OFFER DESCRIPTION

**Title :** Modelling and simulation of the mechanical behavior of bonded repairs

**Proposed duration and period :** 6 months, S1 2021

### Context

A structural repair consists mainly in removing material around the damaged area (fatigue crack, impact, corrosion) then in adding healthy material. The addition of healthy material passes by a joining phase. The classical joining techniques are bolting, adhesive bonding and hybrid bolting / bonding. The adding material can be made in a different material from the parent one leading to the multimaterial interfaces (composite, metal).

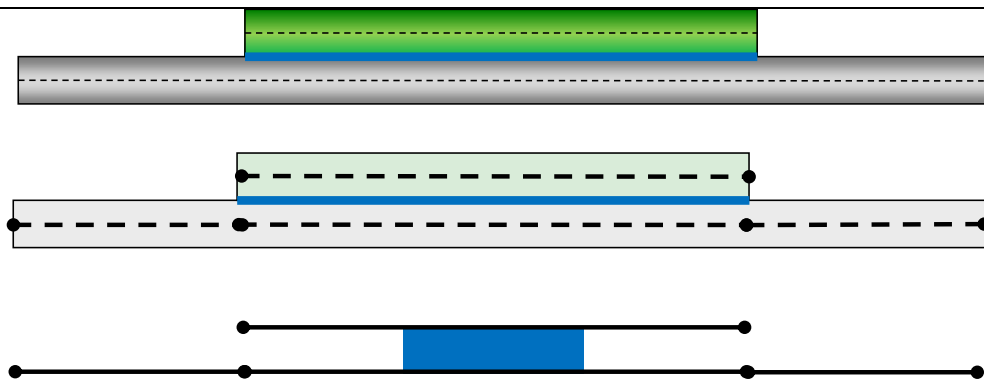
Nowadays, the civil aviation does not use adhesive bonding for structural repairs on aircraft, due to the damage tolerance requirements applied to primary structures. One remaining lock is the ability the sizing of adhesive bonding joints [1-2].

### Objectives and work

Experimental test were performed on technological specimen representative for bonded repairs using a stepped patch. The objective is to simulate these experimental tests. Several modelling will be developed involving various sets of hypotheses of graded complexities. The modelling of progressive failure of matrix and fibers make use of a dedicated methodology, which has been developed for more than 20 years at ICA [4]. At the simplified stage, the macro-element (ME) modelling will be used. The ME modelling of bonded joints is developed at Institut Clément Ader (ICA) since 2004 [4-5] (Figure 1).

#### References

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- adhesive properties. *International Journal of Adhesion and Adhesives*, 97, 102505.



**Figure 1.** ME modelling

**Possibility to continue with a PhD (Yes/No) :** TBD

**REQUIRED APPLICANT PROFILE AND SKILLS**

**Study level**  
(tick possible choices)

- Undergraduate students (3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year)
- Master students (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year)
- PhD students

**Required profile and skills**

This offer is suitable to students in last year of MSc, MEng in Solids Mechanics, Structures Mechanics.

The expected specific skills are :

- Fundamentals of strength of materials
- Basics on the FE method and CAD

**Other useful information**

Feel free to take contact