

Development in code_aster ASTERXX in a nutshell



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...and is soooo good

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code_aster, a legacy code

tremendous heritage value

developments becoming tricky

Management of parallelism giving headache

New architecture more suitable for

User interaction

Use of the interactive Python console

Code coupling

Use of Python

Code reuseability

Object Oriented Design

High performance computing

Data encapsulation

What remains the same

Modelling

Old-style syntax still usable

```
1 DEBUT()  
2  
3 MAIL=LIRE_MAILLAGE(FORMAT='MED',);  
4  
5 MA=DEFI_MATERIAU(ELAS=_F(E=200000.0,  
6                     NU=0.3),);  
7  
8 MODE=AFFE_MODELE(MAILLAGE=MAIL,  
9                   AFFE=_F(TOUT='OUI',  
10                          PHENOMENE='MECANIQUE',  
11                          MODELISATION='C_PLAN',),);  
12  
13 MAIL=MODI_MAILLAGE(reuse =MAIL,  
14                   MAILLAGE=MAIL,  
15                   ORIE_PEAU_2D=_F(GROUP_MA='haut',),);  
16  
17 MATE=AFFE_MATERIAU(MAILLAGE=MAIL,  
18                   AFFE=_F(TOUT='OUI',  
19                          MATER=MA),);  
20  
21 CHAR=AFFE_CHAR_MECA(MODELE=MODE,  
22                    DDL_IMPO=( _F(GROUP_MA='bas',  
23                                   DY=0.0,),  
24                                   _F(GROUP_MA='gauche',  
25                                   DX=0.0,),),  
26                    PRES_REP=_F(GROUP_MA='haut',  
27                                   PRES=-100.0,),);  
28  
29 RESU=MECA_STATIQUE(MODELE=MODE,  
30                   CHAM_MATER=MATE,  
31                   EXCIT=_F(CHARGE=CHAR,),);  
32  
33 FIN();  
34
```

What does change

Pythonic approach

Position the environment in a shell

```
export PREFIX=/home/myNNI/dev/codeaster/install/  
. $PREFIX/share/aster/profile.sh
```

Run Python

```
import code_aster  
from code_aster.Commands import *  
code_aster.init()
```

```
monMaillage = code_aster.Mesh()  
monMaillage.readMedFile( 'test001f.mmed' )
```

```
monMaillage.debugPrint()
```

Introspection

```
Try help(code_aster) or help(code_aster.Mesh)
```

What does change

Command file example

```
1 #!/usr/bin/python
2 # coding: utf-8
3
4 import code_aster
5 from code_aster.Commands import *
6
7 code_aster.init()
8
9 test = code_aster.TestCase()
10
11 monMaillage = code_aster.Mesh()
12 monMaillage.readMedFile( 'test001f.mmed' )
13
14 monModel = code_aster.Model()
15 monModel.setSupportMesh( monMaillage )
16 monModel.addModelingOnAllMesh( code_aster.Physics.Mechanics,
17                               code_aster.Modelings.Tridimensional )
18 monModel.build()
19
20 acier = DEFI_MATERIAU(ELAS=_F(E=200000.0,
21                              NU=0.3),)
22
23 chmat = AFFE_MATERIAU(MAILLAGE=monMaillage,
24                      AFFE=_F(TOUT='OUI',
25                              MATER=acier),)
26
27
28 charmeca1 = AFFE_CHAR_MECA(MODELE=monModel,
29                           DDL_IMPO=_F(GROUP_MA="Bas",DX=0.,DY=0.,DZ=0.))
30
31 imposedPres1 = code_aster.PressureDouble()
32 imposedPres1.setValue( code_aster.PhysicalQuantityComponent.Pres, 1000. )
33 charmeca2 = code_aster.DistributedPressureDouble(monModel)
34 charmeca2.setValue( imposedPres1, "Haut" )
35 charmeca2.build()
36
37 monSolver = code_aster.MumpsSolver( code_aster.Renumbering.Metis )
38
39 mecaStatique = code_aster.StaticMechanicalSolver(monModel, chmat)
40 mecaStatique.addMechanicalLoad( charmeca1 )
41 mecaStatique.addMechanicalLoad( charmeca2 )
42 mecaStatique.setLinearSolver( monSolver )
43
44 resu = mecaStatique.execute()
45 resu.debugPrint( )
```

What does change

Supervisor and naming

No more computation supervisor

code_aster objects are real Python pointers

Can be destroyed, stored in lists, dictionaries or objects

Reuse a concept name was forbidden, now it deletes the previous value

Tip: Think "a=1; print a; a=2; print a"

tip: JEVEUX objects are no longer named with the user name (automatic named)

After "MAIL=LIRE_MAILLAGE()", the corresponding JEVEUX objects and their attributes are no longer « MAIL .COORDO »
« MAIL .GROUPMA » but « 000002.COORDO » « 000002.GROUPMA »



: confusing for the error messages!

Tip: use "myObject.debugPrint()" to see the content of an object

No more 8 characters limitation

Since code_aster objects are pointers, they can be as long as wanted

tip

What does change

Syntax

Old-style and new-style syntax can be mixed

In order to load the commands syntax, one needs `“from code_aster.Commands import *”`

Commands and methods

`code_aster` objects (concepts) are embedded in C++ objects

The commands are now methods on the objects

`“myMesh=LIRE_MAILLAGE ()”` is fully equivalent to `“myMesh=code_aster.Mesh ();
myMesh.readMedFile (‘myMEDFile.med’)”`

Definition and execution phases

All definition objects have a `“build”` method, all resolution objects have a `“execute”` method

End of presentation

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