Accelerating Innovation Effectiveness: Model-Facilitated Collaboration by Regulators, Technical Societies, Customers, and Suppliers

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Certification of Aircraft Articles

- How do you certify an article?
 - Demonstrate compliance with the applicable regulations
 - Sometimes in a single step and can be part of certification at aircraft level
 - Oftentimes, articles approved to an industry standard, then compliance to the applicable regulation is later demonstrated
 - Technical Standard Order (TSO)

- Generally, compliance is through physical testing!



Certification of Aircraft Articles

- If regulation/policy states testing OR analysis, applicant can use analytical modeling without a deviation
- Example: Advisory Circular 20-146 provides guidance for seats on:
 - How to validate the computer model
 - Under what conditions the model may be used in support of original certification and design changes
 - If proposing to model vs. test, supply data proving model represents testing conditions/environment
- FAA considering development of general M&S guidance



Certification by Analysis

• AC 20-146a

- Completed FAA comments
- Completed Public comments awaiting tech writer/legal review

New master AC

- Include AC 20-146a, but make generally applicable
- ASME V&V 10
 - Overarching validation document

• SAE ARP 5765B

- Working on expanding

LSDYNA Aerospace Working Group

- Data sharing resolved, activities moving forward
- Industry Processes
 - Reviewing proposals and working to implement



FAA AC 20-146

- Methodology for Dynamic Seat Certification by Analysis
- Provides high-level guidance on the validation of seat models
- Defines the conditions under which computer modeling can be used in support of certification
- Applicants using for case analysis
- AC 20-146a Revision
 - Completed public comments
 - In Queue for tech writer and legal review before release

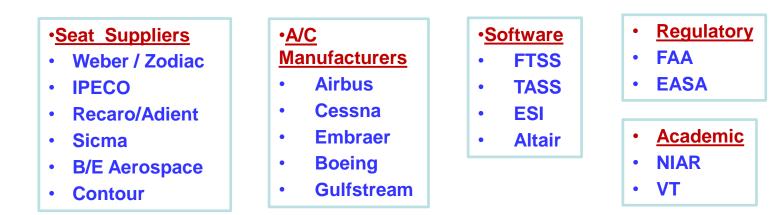




ARP5765: Analytical Methods for Aircraft Seat Design and Evaluation

- The primary objectives are to provide
- Quantitative method to measure and evaluate the degree of correlation between a model and a physical test
- Best modeling practices to improve the accuracy and predictability of seat analyses

Technical Specialist from





Objectives

ASME V&V 10

- ASME committee focused on writing consensus standards on verification and validation (ANSI approved)
- Membership includes multiple national laboratories (LLNL, LANL, SNL), DoD, FAA, GM, Boeing, non-profits (SWRI), universities, and consultants
- 2 documents published, 2 under development

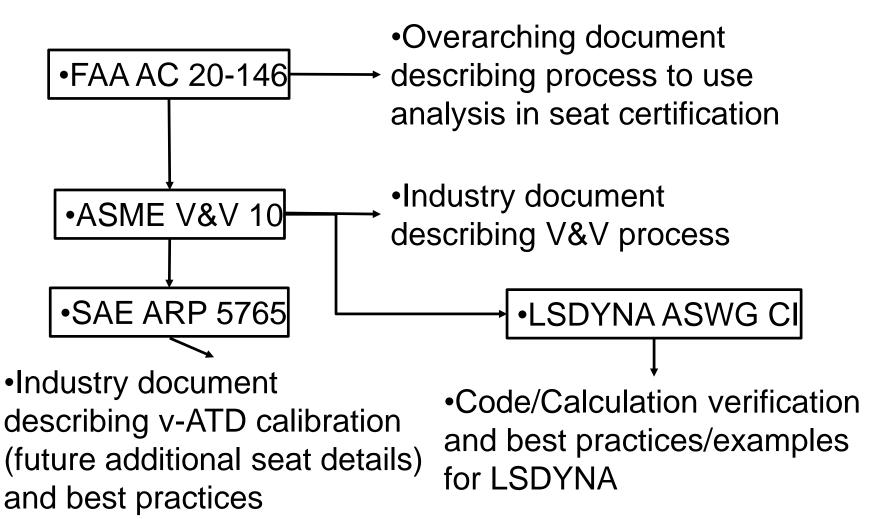


ASME V&V 10-2006

- Guide for Verification and Validation in Computational Solid Mechanics
- High level document that provides a framework for implementing verification and validation of computational models for complex systems in solid mechanics
- Provides a common language and process definition
- ASME V&V 10.1-2012: An Illustration of the Concepts of Verification and Validation in Computational Solid Mechanics



M&S Guidance - Process

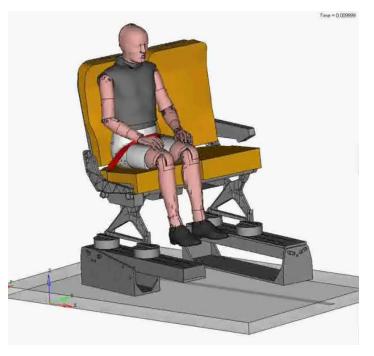




Outreach

Dynamic Impact Analytical Methods training course

- Training for AC 20-146 and SAE ARP 5765; Combined training with other disciplines
 - Birdstrike/Engine/Structures
 - Goal to work on master AC
- FAA working with academia and NASA to expand publically available information
 - Most industry work is proprietary





Outreach

- Participation in Technical Societies
 - ASME
 - SAE International
 - ASTM
- Suppliers
 - LSTC LS-Dyna Aerospace
 Working Group
 - Humanetics v-ATD models
- Industry Support
 - Review of process proposals





Questions?





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