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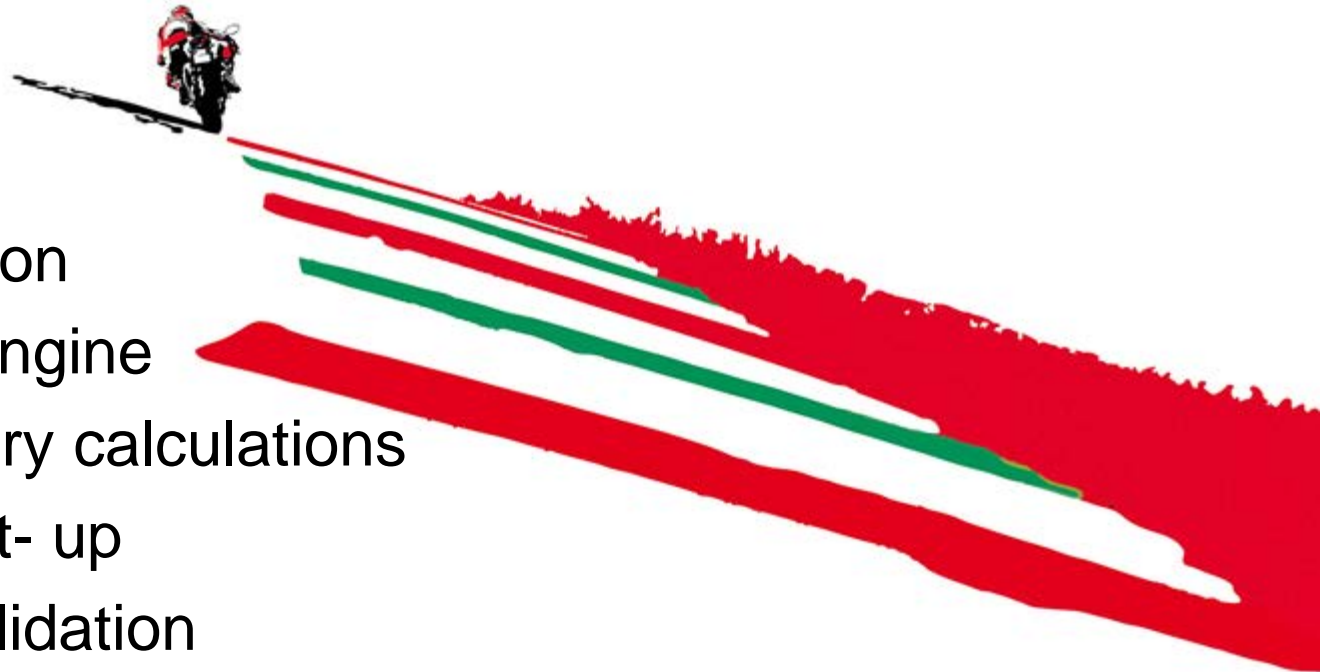
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VIRTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF A CRANK MECHANISM FOR A MotoGP ENGINE USING LATEST MODELING TECHNIQUES

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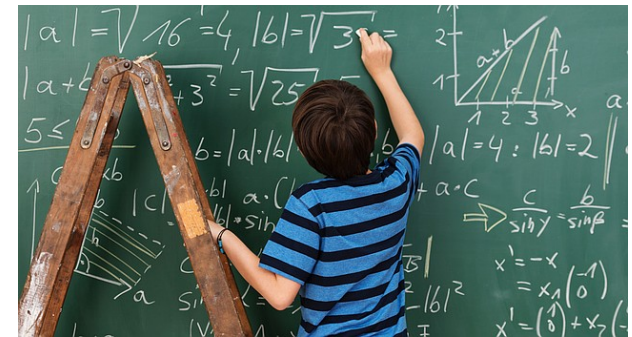
Introduction



How to produce a new version of crankshaft that is: powerful, safety, in a short time and with reduced experimental tests available?



Cranktrain dynamic model



D16GP engine

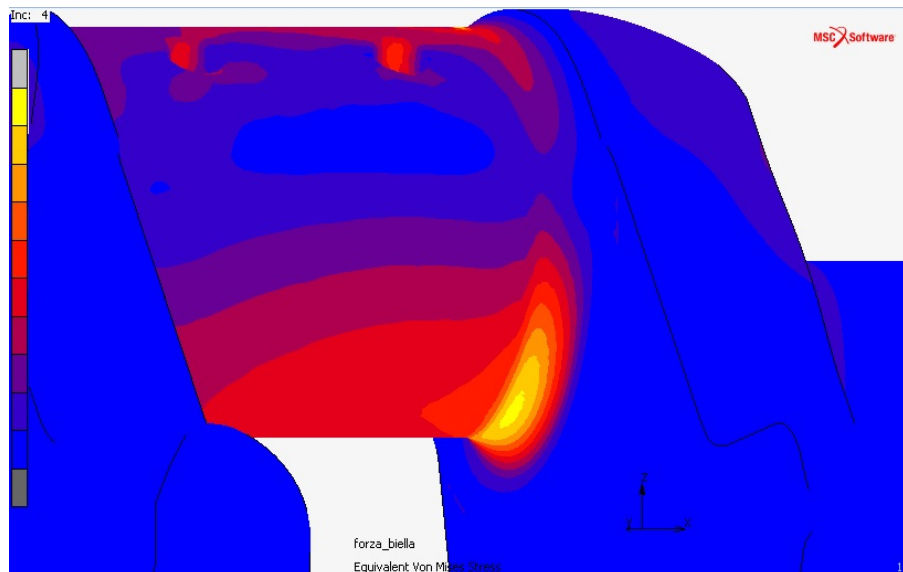
- ❑ 4 stroke spark ignition, 1000 cm³
- ❑ 4 cylinders, “V” lay- out
- ❑ 90° cylinder bank angle
- ❑ Desmodromic distribution

Note: the engine has been simulated as it were installed in the test bench.



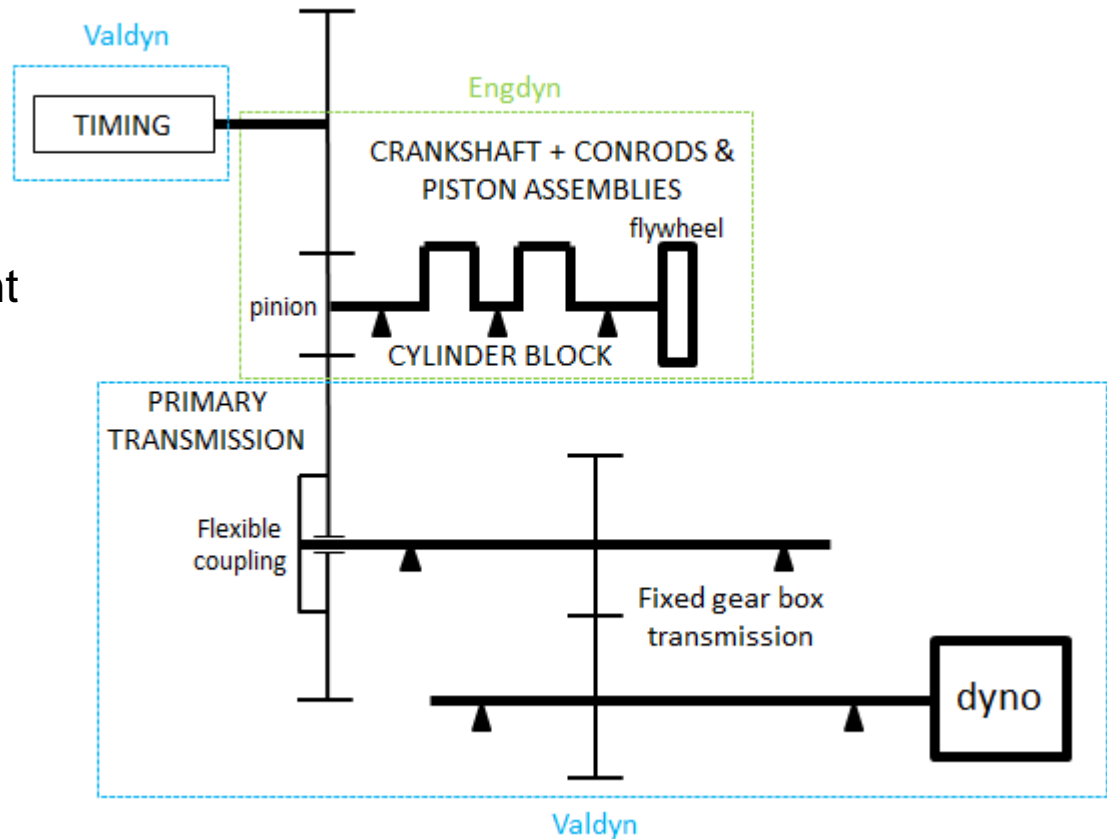
Preliminary calculations

- ❑ Simplified FEM model to investigate different crankshaft geometries with MSC Marc.
- ❑ Two geometries selected and tested with Engdyn\Valdyn (different main and pin journals radii and thicknesses).



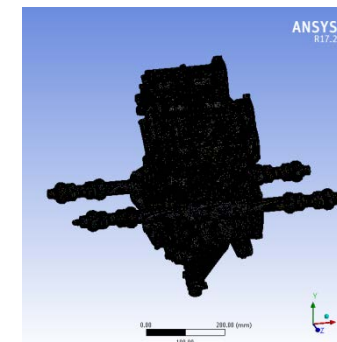
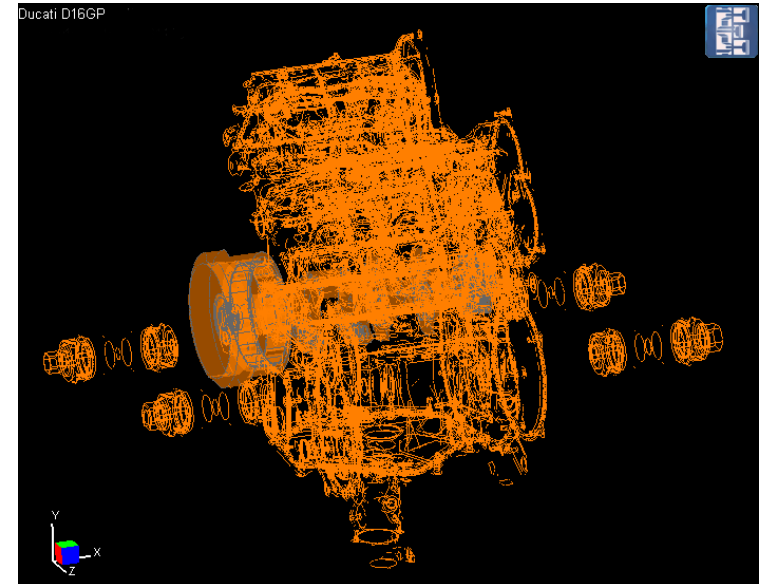
Model set-up

- Motorcycle engine layout! → Engdyn\ Valdyn co-simulation.
- Very high engine speed → vibrations predominant (both from cranktrain & engine block).



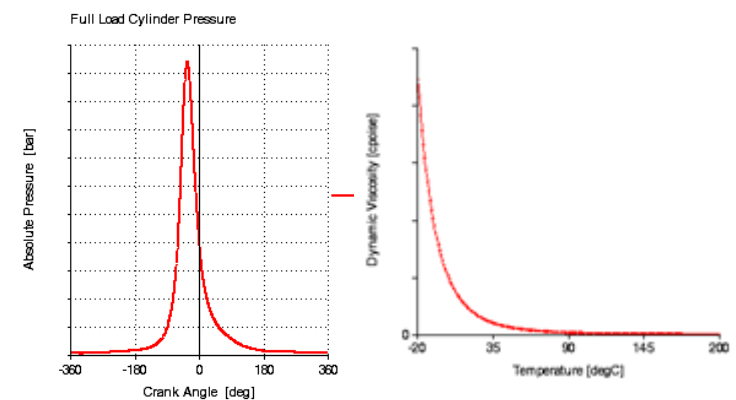
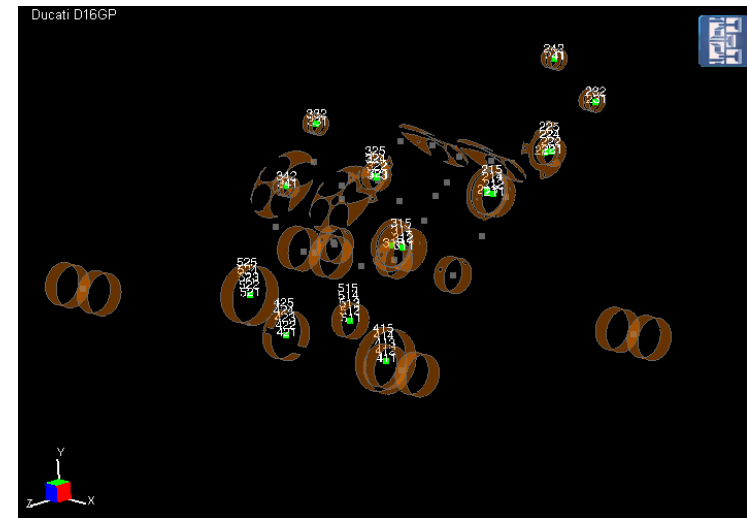
Model set- up: Engdyn

- ❑ Crankshaft: dynamic. Mass and stiffness properties derived from a mesh discretization. The assembly includes: crankshaft, pinion and flywheel.
- ❑ Cylinder block: component mode synthesis of the first 50th modes. The assembly includes: carters, heads, covers and the test bench frame.
- ❑ Meshes obtained with Ansys 17.2.



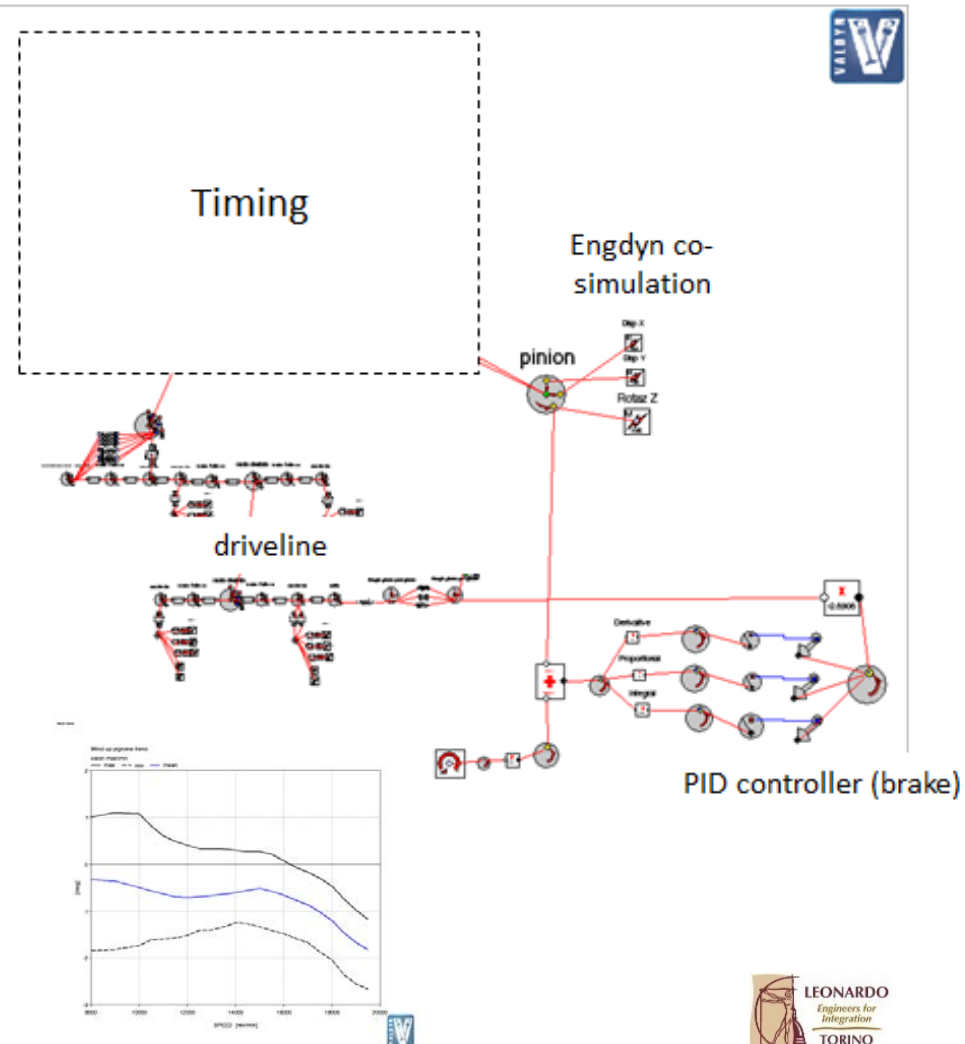
Model set-up: Engdyn

- ❑ Mechanical links defined to receive forces and moments from Valdyn and send displacements to Valdyn.
- ❑ Interfaces involved with the co-simulation: timing bearings, drive line bearings, pinion gear.
- ❑ The cylinder block simulated in Engdyn sees all the main loads, thermal ones excluded for the moment, though they can be added during the modal reduction (planned).
- ❑ Oil properties derived from internal data base.
- ❑ Cylinder pressure derived from CFD Ducati Corse models.



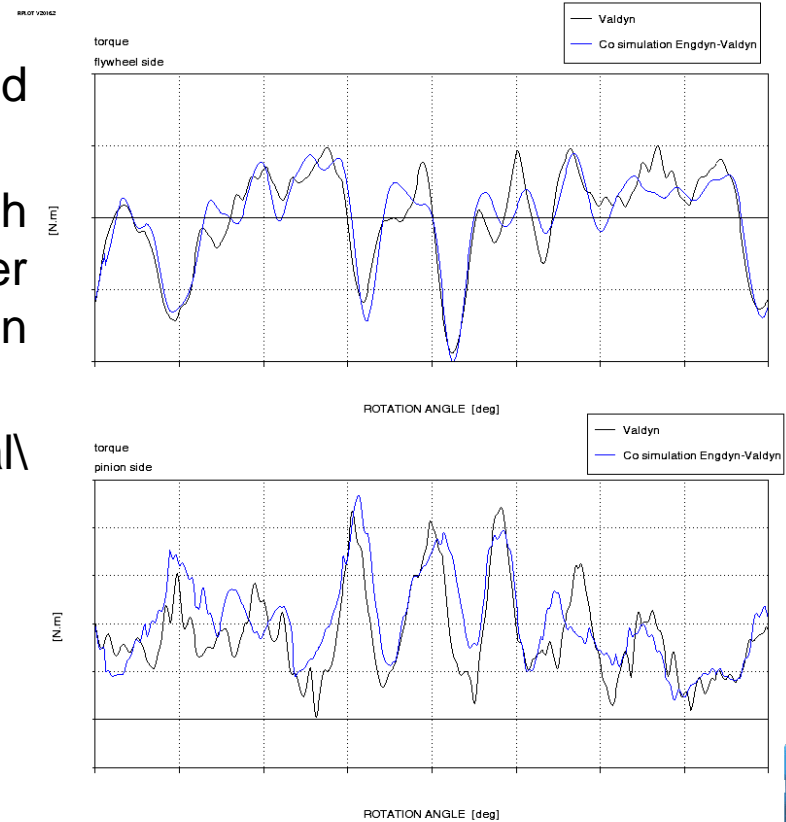
Model set-up: Valdyn

- The pinion\primary gearing influences the crankshaft's behavior.
- A detailed representation of drive line and timing has been set-up.
- A PID controller has been adopted to avoid wind-up problems deriving from lash and low stiffness components (especially brake's elastomeric joint).



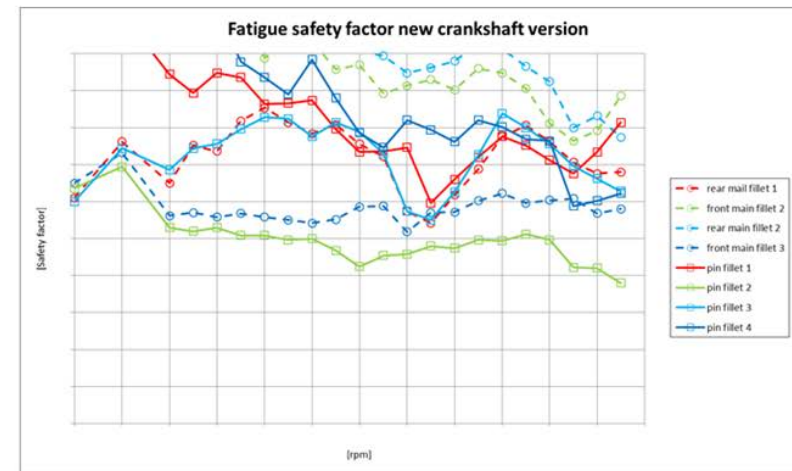
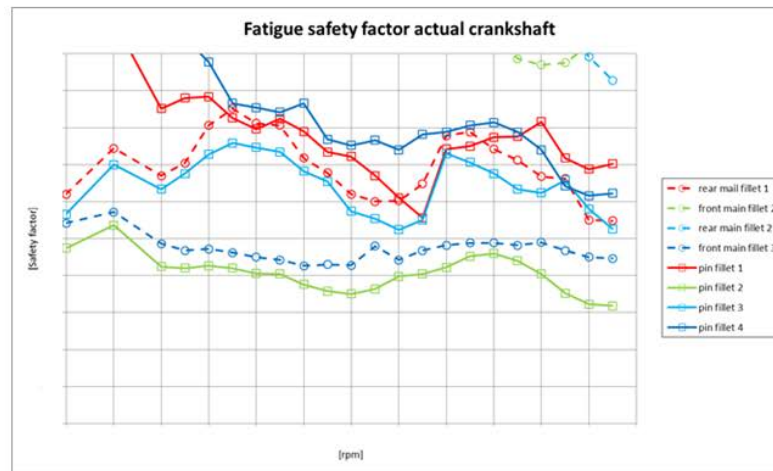
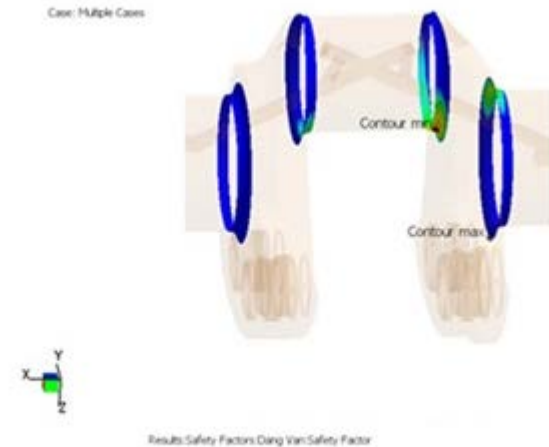
Model validation

- ❑ Checks through kinetostatic model and FEM modal analysis.
- ❑ Deeper validation of the model through a numerical comparison with another virtual engine model historically used in Ducati Corse built with Valdyn.
- ❑ Direct comparison numerical\experimental planned.



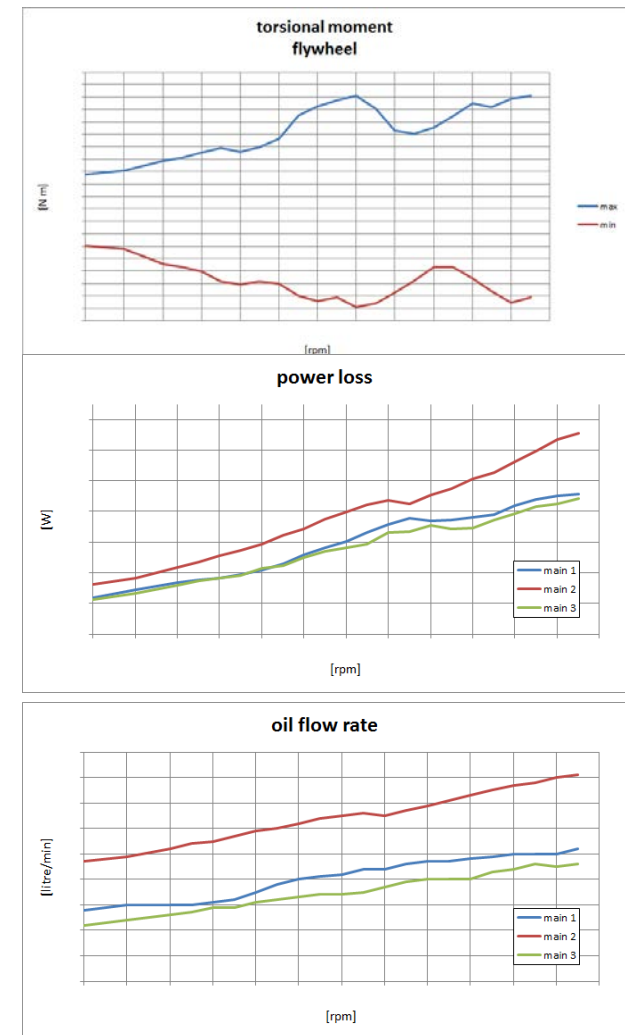
Results

- Time of calculation to do a complete sweep of engine speeds with co-simulation: 18 hours.
- Safety factors in the main and pin journals fillets of the crankshaft.



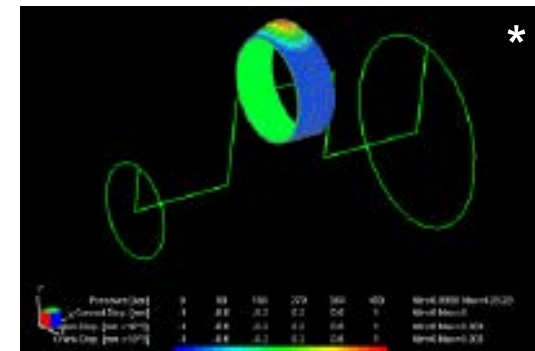
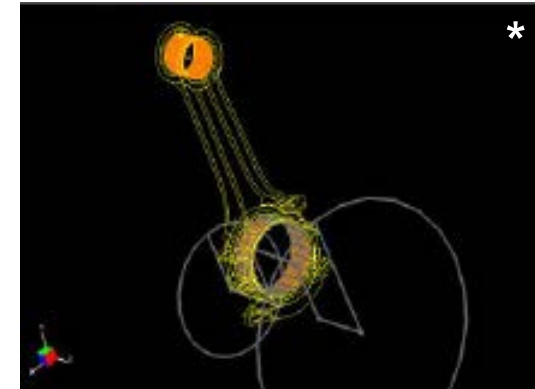
Results

- ❑ Huge amount of data extracted with the model, included hardly measurable outputs.
- ❑ Torsional and bending moments extracted to generate the boundary conditions of some other FEM analysis (for ex. Flywheel durability).
- ❑ Bearings' power loss and oil flow rate: comparison with Ducati Corse's CFD calculation and considerations about frictions' reduction.



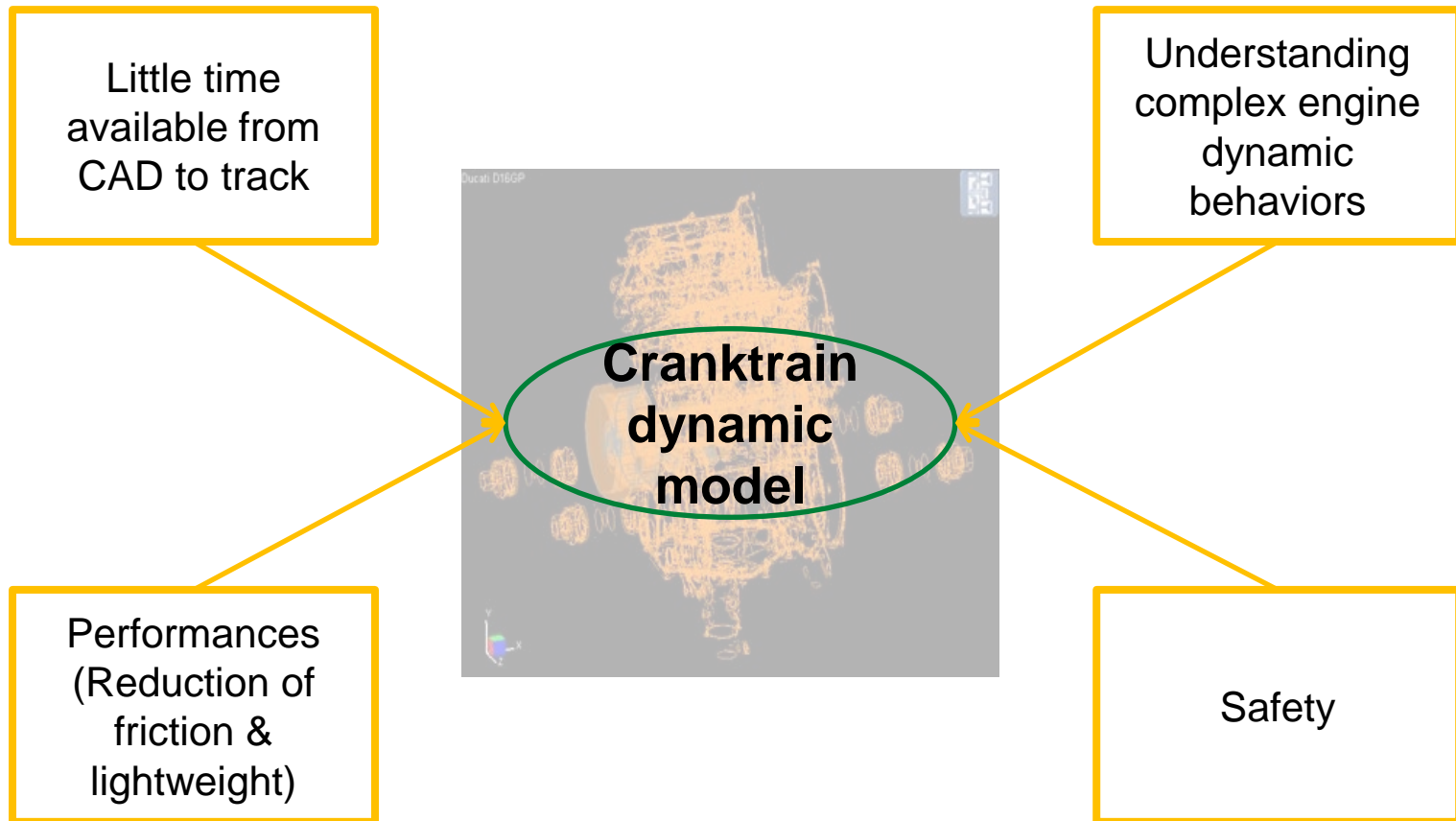
Future developments

- ❑ Direct experimental measures to complete the model validation.
- ❑ More detailed description of the connecting rod & piston.
- ❑ Detailed calculations focused on the bearings → elasto-hydrodynamic bearing model.
- ❑ FEM analysis of the cylinder block using all the dynamic loads calculated by the model + thermal loads → cylinder block safety factors.



* Courtesy of Ricardo Software

Conclusions



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