

HEPIA GENEVA WIND TUNNELS

A short presentation of the laboratory and the methodology used for motorsport aerodynamics

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THE HEPIA SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL

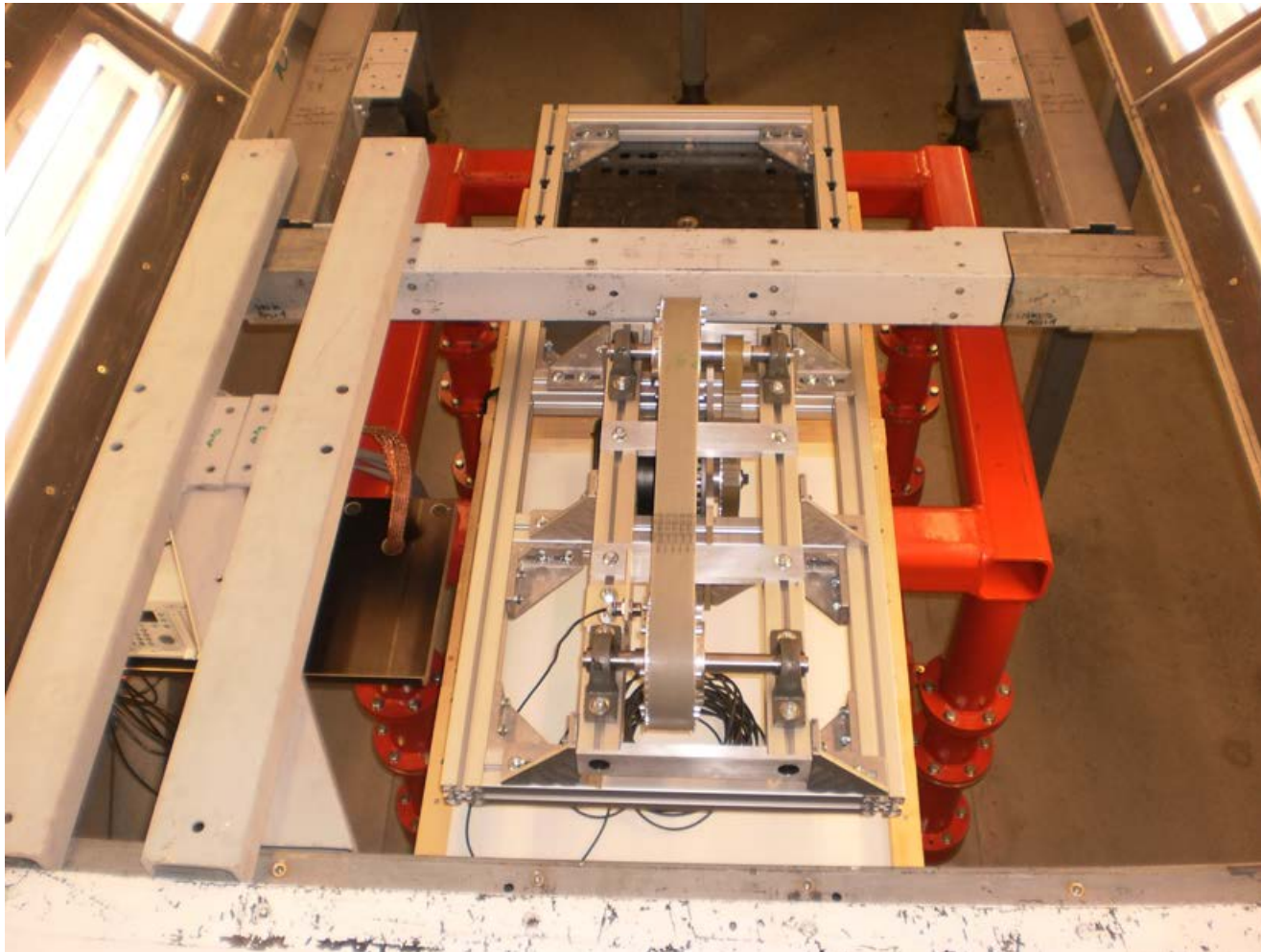


KTM Moto2 2017

- Test section: 2.0 m x 1.5 m
- Maximal speed: env. 280 km/h
- 6 component balances
- Measurement robot
- Visualization systems
- Thermal and cooling tests capabilities

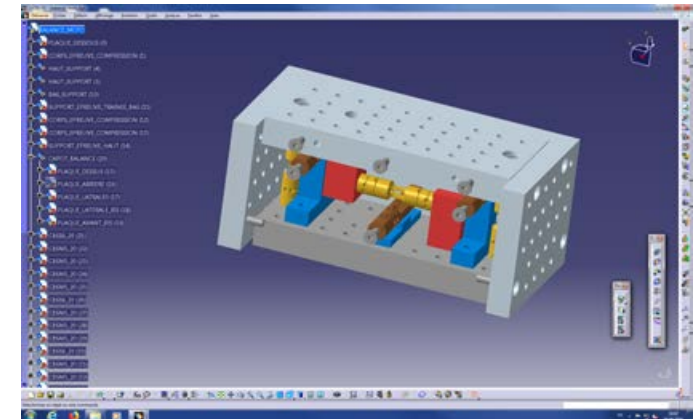
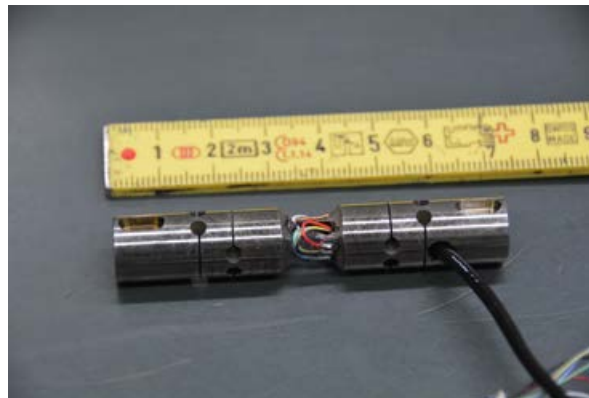
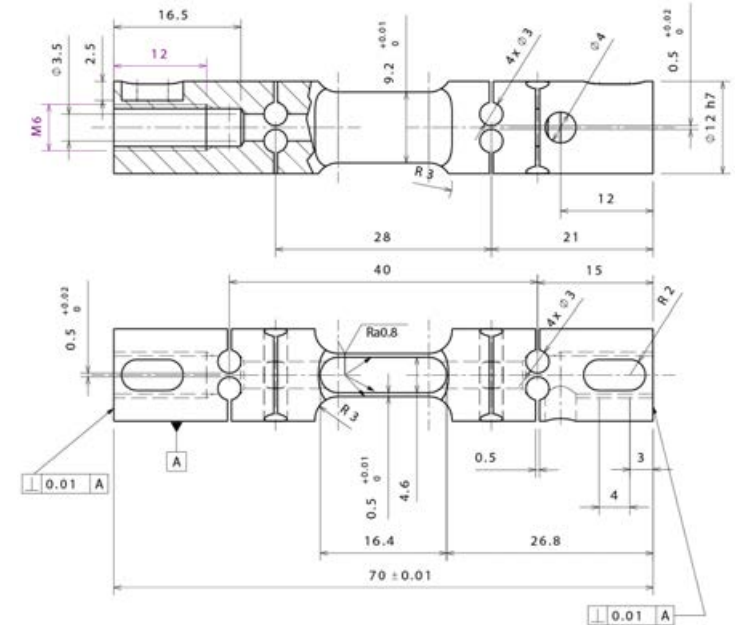
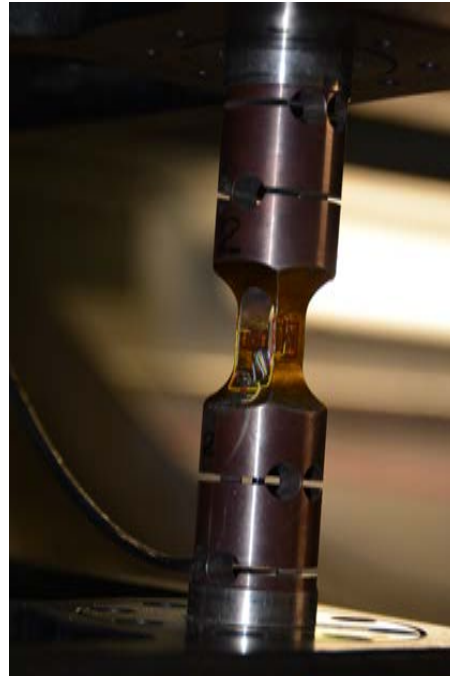


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6 component aerodynamic balance with rolling belt

PRODUCTION AND CALIBRATION OF AERODYNAMIC BALANCES



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3 or 6 component balances

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Heaters for the evaluation of thermal systems and cooling during aerodynamic tests



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Haute école du paysage, d'ingénierie
et d'architecture de Genève

CALCULATION CLUSTERS



- Baobab HPC :** Intel Sandy Bridge, 2'500 cores, 10 To RAM, infiniband (hepia + unige)
- Gordias HPC :** ClusterVision, 224 cores, 448 Go RAM, infiniband
- EoleC1-5 :** Oracle SUN, 44 cores, 132 Go RAM
- EoleC6 :** Dell, 96 cores, 256 Go RAM
- Workstations :** 8 workstations Dell and HP 16 cores, 126 Gb RAM
- Storage (NAS) :** 2 x 70 To = 140 To with confidentiality management
- CFD software :** ANSYS CFD Associate (industrial), Research and Teaching

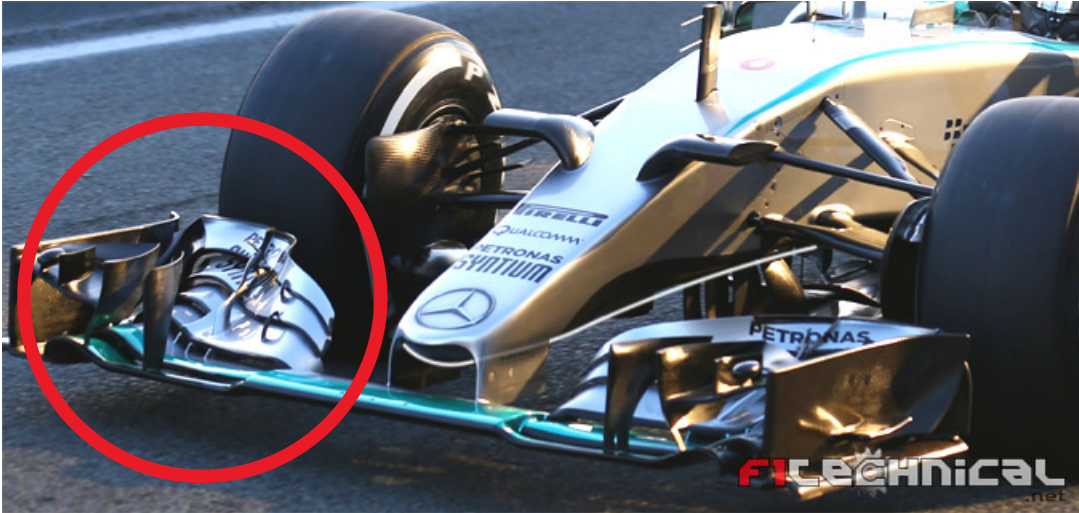
MECHANICAL SPORTS AT HEPIA (REFERENCES)

- Egli Motorradtechnik (1985)
- Motos ROC Annemasse (1992)
- ASM Formula 3 (2006)
- Eco-marathon Shell : Consomini, Biomobile.ch (2003 - actual)
- Motostudent PoliTo Turin (2011-12)
- Moto2 NCS Rapid Inside Modena (2011)
- Audit of the Formula 1 teams (2010 – 2013) P. Haas, R. Putzu
- MotoGP Akira Kawasaki (2014 - 2015)
- Moto2 Tech3 (2014)
- Vyrus 986 M2 Wings (2016)
- Moto2 KTM (2016 – actual)
- Moto2 Garage Plus et Technomag CarXpert : Suter, Kalex, KTM (2014 - actual)
- Moto2 Geotechnology NTS project (2016 – actual)



Moto2 Tech 3 Mistral

WHAT CAN BE LEARNED FROM THE FORMULA 1 TEAMS ?



Mercedes AMG F1 WA06



Ferrari SF15T, 2015

How they use CFD technics :

- CFD show all flow variables everywhere in the domain without disturbing anything for all scales of space and time !

Understanding of the flow behaviour → New ideas !

- Design optimization – Parametric studies

THE HEPIA GLOBAL METHODOLOGY

Since 2011, hepia uses with success a global methodology including 5 chapters :

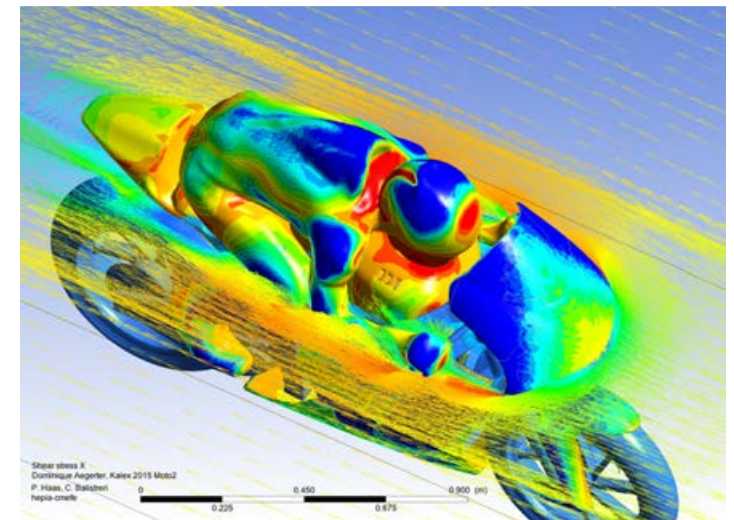
1. Full scale wind tunnel tests

- With riders, seat definition and position
- CFD validation on the wind tunnel case
- Continuity with experience (known values)



2. Model wind tunnel tests (half-scale)

- Availability of the model all the year long
- Size of the model for a correct aspect ratio (surface of the test section / surface of the model)
- Costs (more days to work!)



3. Simulations (CFD)

- Flow behaviour understanding
- New ideas
- Motor cooling and thermal studies

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THE HEPIA GLOBAL METHODOLOGY

4. On track measurements

- Instrumented motorcycle
- Full scale
- In open space (real case)
- Torque measurements at the wheel
- Work done on a MotoGP for studying the blocage in the wind tunnel at hepia.

5. Race data logger measurements

- Study of the data obtained during the races



Tom Lüthi 2017



- Recognize each method for their strengths and weaknesses
- Use a global methodology with only one objective:
Increasing the results on the track !

HEPIA MOTO2 AERODYNAMIC PROGRAM RESULTS

Aerodynamic resistance:

	x	$F^2 = \frac{1}{2} \rho SC_x V$	SCx
Moto2 Kalex Aegerter 2015 (with hepia work)			
Simulations CFD	:		0.230
WT full scale (corrected)	:		0.252
WT original Kalex (without hepia work)	:		0.279
Moto2 Kalex Aegerter 2016 (with hepia work)			
WT full scale (corrected)	:		< 0.245
WT original Kalex (without hepia work)	:		0.269
Moto2 Suter Aegerter 2014 (with hepia work)	:		0.262
Moto2 NCIS 2011 original	:		0.320

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ON THE TRACK...

- The swiss Moto2 is offently the fastest of the paddock...



Results and timing service provided by **TISSOT**

RED BULL INDIANAPOLIS GRAND PRIX

After the Race

Event Best Maximum Speed

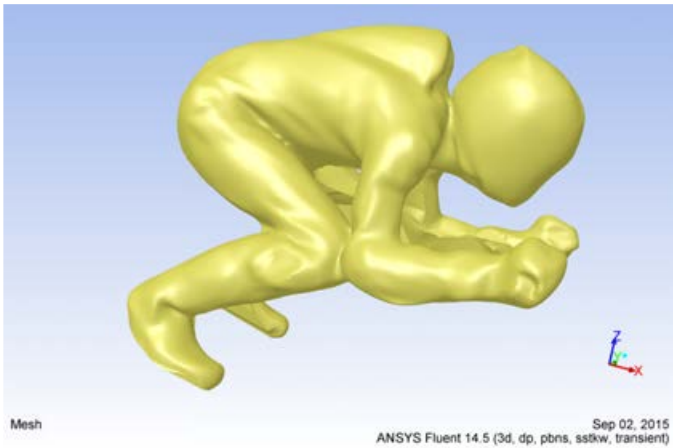
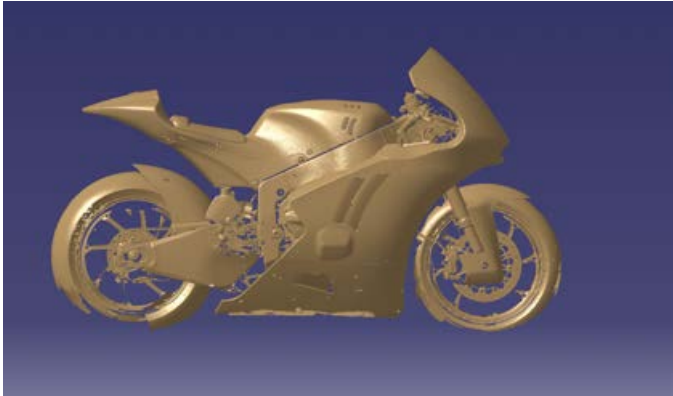
Moto2

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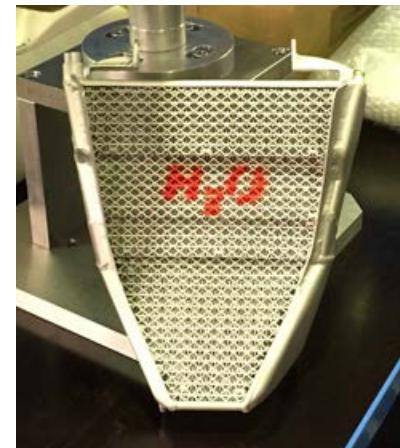
	Rider	Nation Team	Motorcycle	Km/h
12	Thomas LUTHI	SWI Derendinger Racing Interwetten	KALEX	290.0 Race
77	Dominique AEGERTER	SWI Technomag Racing Interwetten	KALEX	289.3 Free Practice Nr. 1
25	Azlan SHAH	MAL IDEMITSU Honda Team Asia	KALEX	288.7 Race
11	Sandro CORTESE	GER Dynavolt Intact GP	KALEX	287.6 Free Practice Nr. 3
73	Alex MARQUEZ	SPA EG 0,0 Marc VDS	KALEX	286.9 Race
21	Franco MORBIDELLI	ITA Italtrans Racing Team	KALEX	286.8 Race
1	Tito RABAT	SPA EG 0,0 Marc VDS	KALEX	286.8 Race
39	Luis SALOM	SPA Paginas Amarillas HP 40	KALEX	286.3 Qualifying
40	Alex RINS	SPA Paginas Amarillas HP 40	KALEX	286.0 Race
36	Mika KALLIO	FIN Italtrans Racing Team	KALEX	285.9 Race
07	Valentino VERRI	SPA Tech 2	TECH 2	285.0 Race

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WITH TUNNEL TESTS WITH HALF-SCALE MODEL

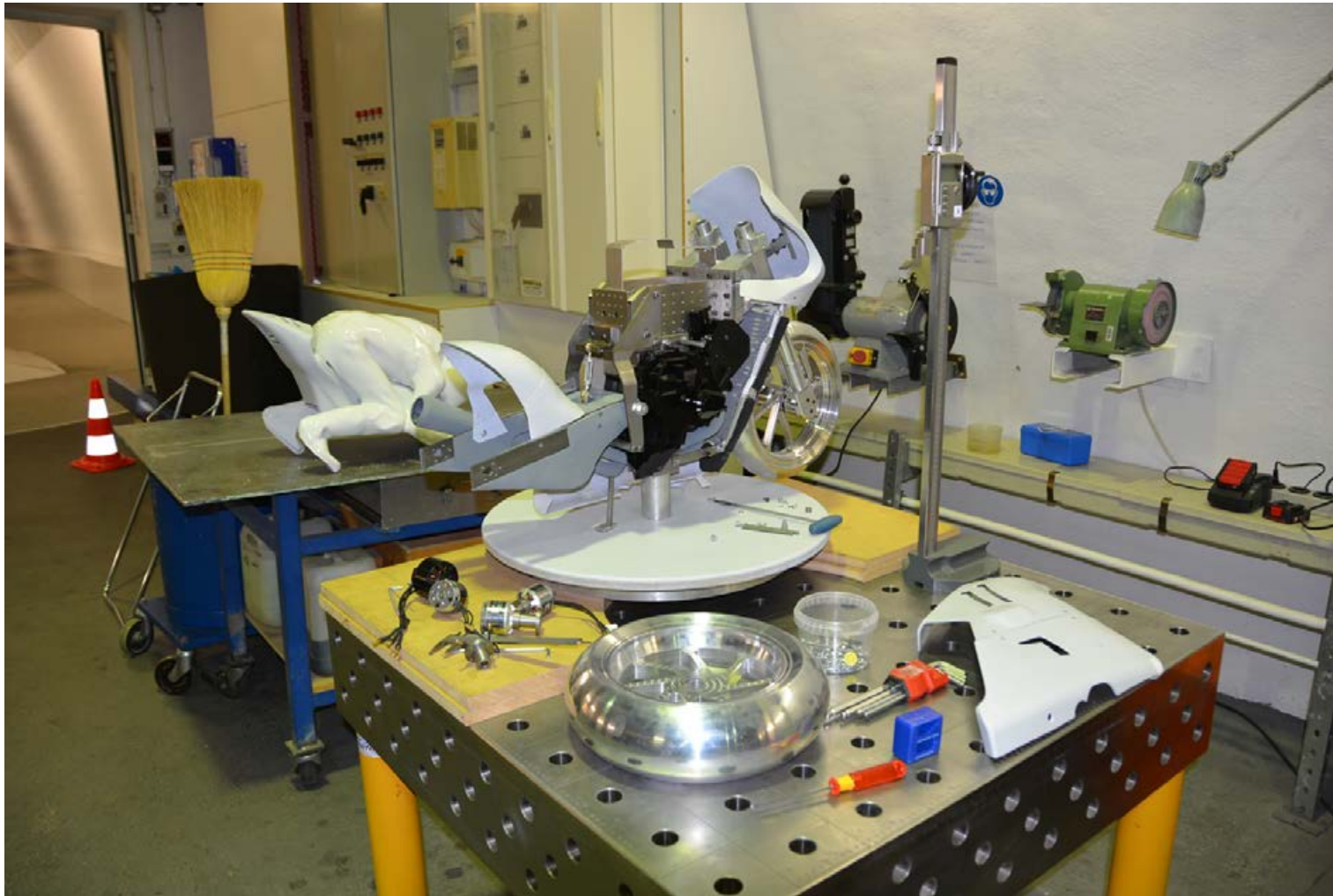


Scan 3D and production with 3D printers



Half-scale radiator

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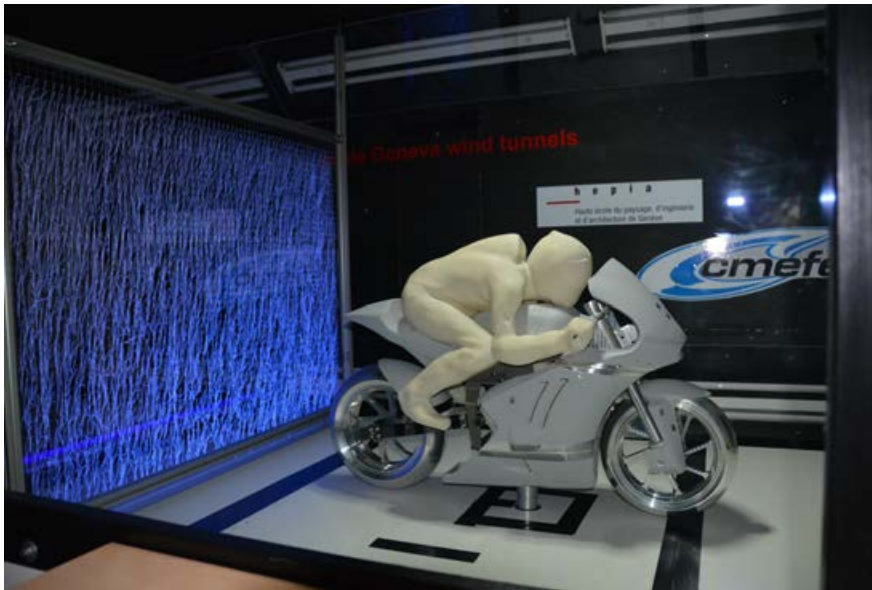
Model production

WITH TUNNEL TESTS WITH HALF-SCALE MODEL



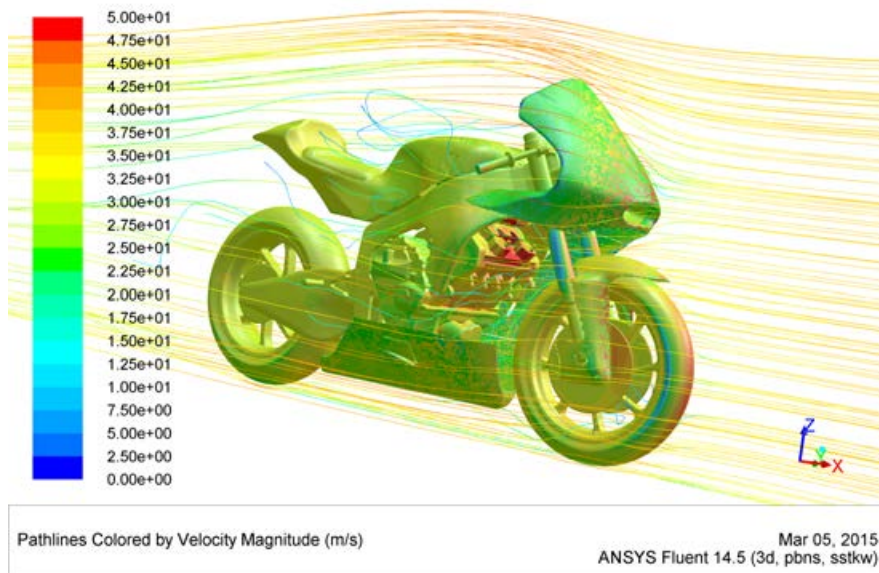
Moto2 Kalex with Dominique Aegerter

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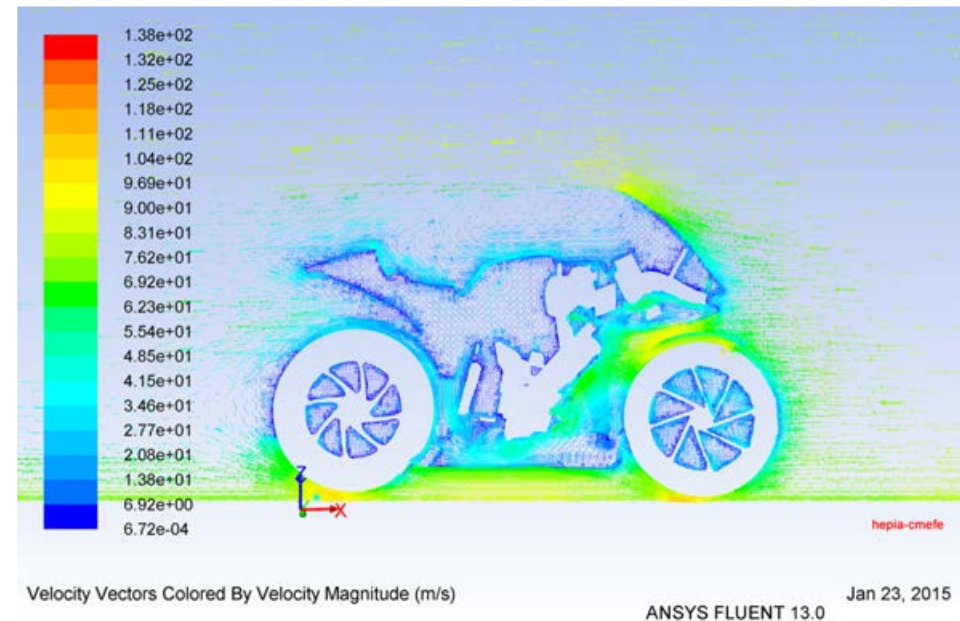
CFD SIMULATION



- Radiator as a model (head loss and thermal source)
- Rotating wheels

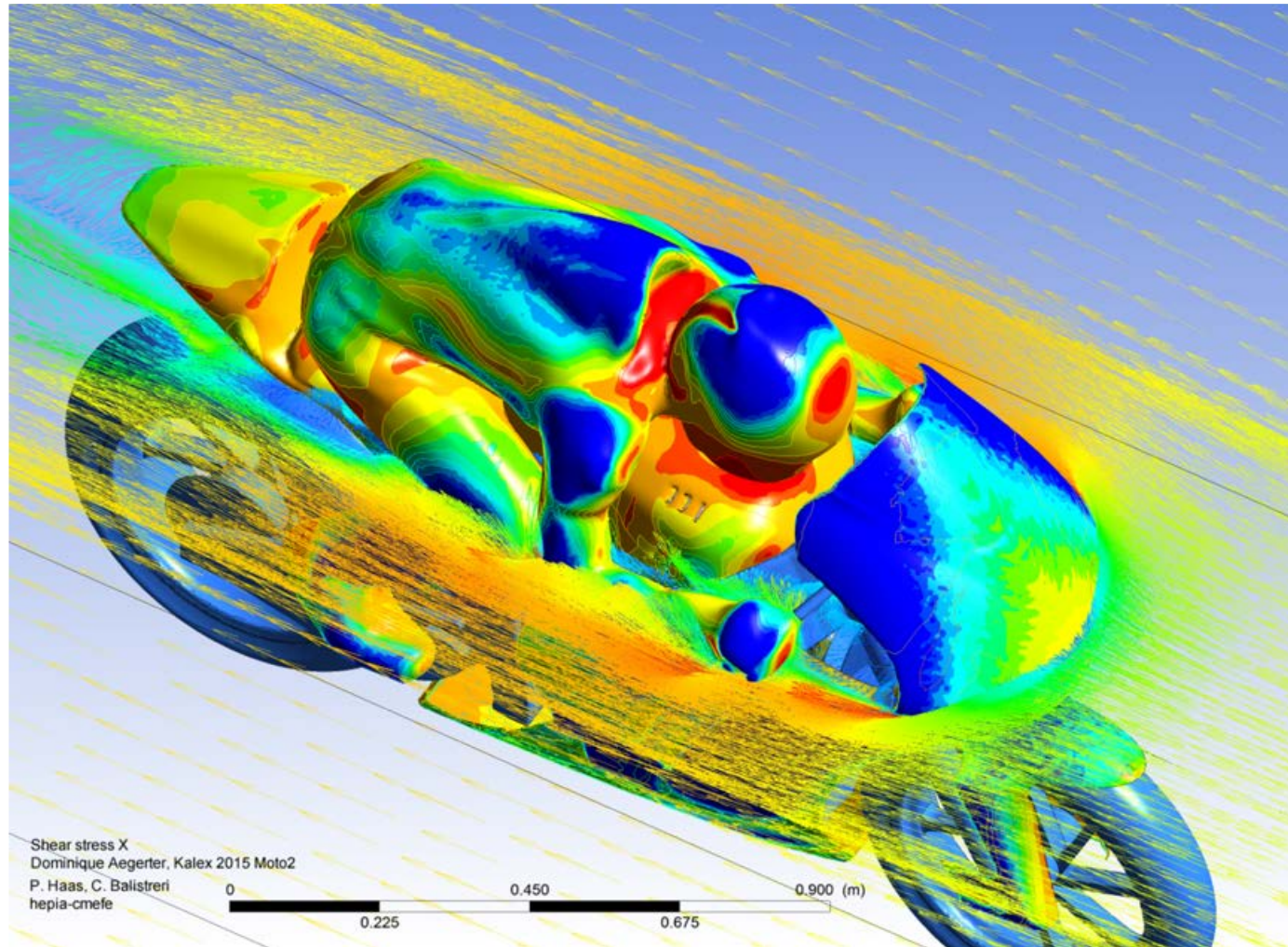
Objectives

- Internal and external aerodynamics
- Drag optimization
- Cooling and thermal evaluation



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CFD SIMULATION



*Moto2 Kalex with Dominique Aegerter
Shear stress x and speed in a x-y plan*

THE USE OF CFD IN THE HEPIA METHODOLOGY



We have demonstrated in the Moto2 program, CFD is an important part of the methodology. At least:

- Flow understanding
- Blocage ratio correction
- Design optimization

hepia work actually using this methodology in quasi all projects performed for our industrial partners.

In a recent project, the concept has been pushed to the limit :

We performed the validation of the CFD for a case in wind tunnel at full scale and with a very large model for the test section :

- Same physics (flow, thermal, time dependent situations, ecc.)
- Approximately same gradient values
- Full details



Then, the final values have been calculated using the CFD model !

QUESTIONS ?




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