## Short Introduction to LS-DYNA and LS-PrePost

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    - Composite tool



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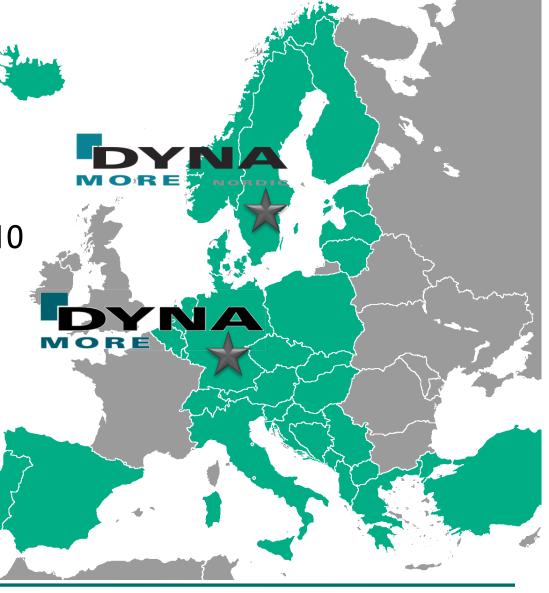
Distributor for LSTC

Personnel: 70

LSTC code developer: 10

Head office in Stuttgart, Germany







### **DYNAmore Group**

- Sweden
  - 17 Employees
  - 37 years in average
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  - 8 M.Sc.
  - 1 Economics/Adm
- Office in Linköping
- Office in Göteborg



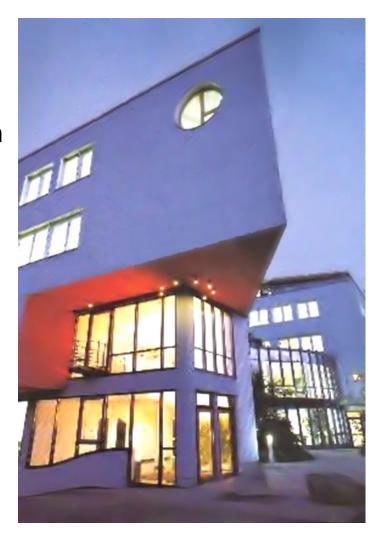




#### **DYNAmore GmbH**

#### Germany

- ~60 Employees
- Headquarters in Stuttgart-Vaihingen
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  - Ingolstadt
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  - Ingolstadt



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#### **Business** model



#### **Technical Software**

- Sales
- Support
- Training



#### Software development

- Development
- Research
- Implementation
- Improvement
- Support



#### Consultancy work

- Non-linear analysis
- Linear analysis
- Dynamic analysis
- Static analysis
- Optimization

## **DYNAmore Nordic AB**

- LS-DYNA
- LS-OPT
- Ansa
- Crash dummies
- Crash barriers
- Oasys Primer
- DynaForm
- FormingSuite
- Femzip

- Material modeling
- Contacts
- Element technology
- Training
- GUI development
- HPC Cluster

- Vehicle safety
- Explosion analysis
- Metal forming
- Offshore
- Energy
- Roadside safety
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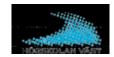




























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## Introduction to LS-DYNA



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## LS-DYNA

# One code strategy



"Combine the multi-physics capabilities into one scalable code for solving highly nonlinear transient problems to enable the solution of coupled multi-physics and multi-stage problems"

Explicit/Implicit



Heat Transfer



Mesh Free

EFG,SPH,Airbag Particle



User Interface

Elements, Materials, Loads



Acoustics Frequency

Posponso Modal Mothe

Response, Modal Methods



Discrete Element Method



Incompressible Fluids

R7

CESE Compressible Fluid



Solver

Electromagnetism

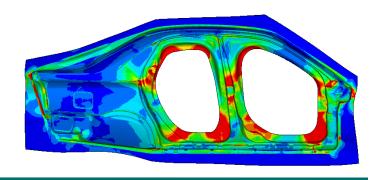
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### SBD – Simulation Based Design

- Instead of a physical prototype, a virtual model is created. The purpose of the model is to resemble the behaviour of the physical product.
- All development/testing is made in the virtual product. Thus, you treat the model as you would if it was a physical product.
- The benefits are several:
  - Shorter time to market
  - Reduce number of costly prototypes
  - Increased innovation
  - Lower development costs
  - Higher quality
- ... but also the challenges
  - Rethink development process
  - Trust the results
  - Educate personnel, new partners..

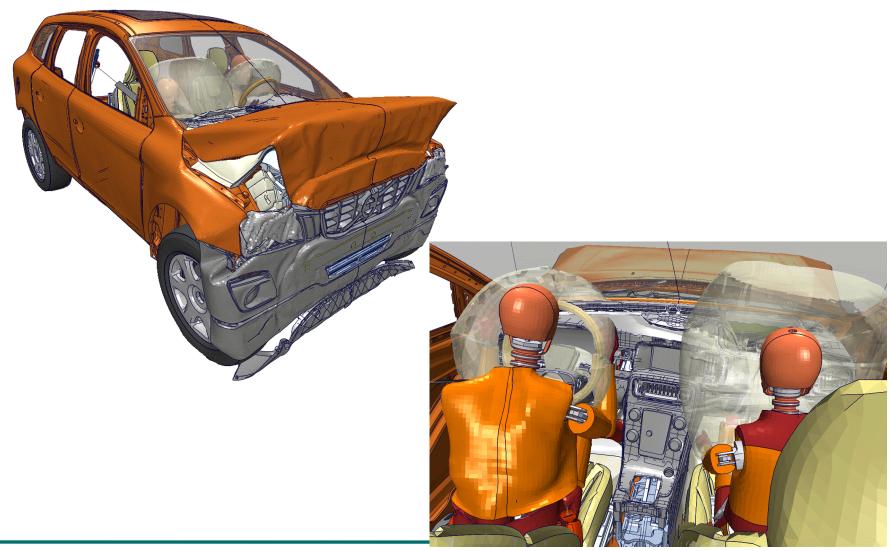






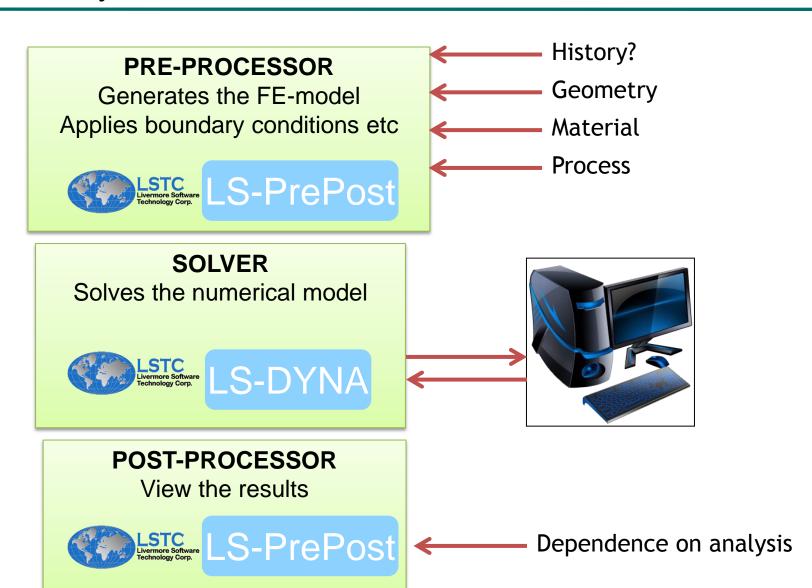


## Volvo XC60





### What do you need?





### Simulation process

#### **Build FE-model**

- -Parts
- -Material
- -Element

## LS-PrePost/ANSA

#### **Modify**

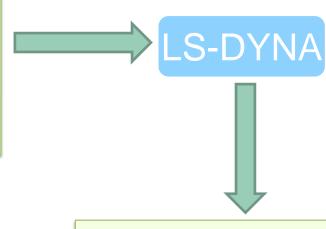
- -Process
- Initial powder volume
  - -Geometry



LS-PrePost

#### **Evaluate results**

LS-PrePost



#### Pre - simulation?

- -Initial stress/stress?
  - Bolts etc.

LS-PrePost





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## Introduction to LS-DYNA



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## Keywords and Elements



### **Keywords - Define Geometry**

#### Input file (.k)



### Newton's second law, F=ma, requires consistent units

**S**1

**S**2

**S**3

length	meter	millimeter	millimeter	
time	second	second	millisecond	
mass	kilogram	tonne	kilogram	
force	Newton	Newton	kiloNewton	
Young's modulus of steel	210.0E+09	210.0E+03	210.0	
density of steel	7.85E+03	7.85E-09	7.85E-06	
gravitation	9.81	9.81E+03	9.81E-03	



### Keyword User's manual

#### LS-DYNA KEYWORD USER'S MANUAL

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#### GENERAL CARD FORMAT

The following sections specify for each keyword the cards that have to be defined. Each card is defined in its rigid format form and is shown as a number of fields in an 80 character string. Most cards are 8 fields with a length of 10 and a sample card is shown below.

#### **Card Format**

	1	2	3			0	,	
Variable	NSID	PSID	A1	A2	A3	HAZ		
Туре	I	I	F	F	F	Ι		
Default	none	none	1.0	1.0	0	1		
Remarks	1			2		3		

The type is the variable type and is either F, for floating point or I, for an integer. The default gives the value set if zero is specified, the field is left blank or the card is not defined. The remarks refer to comments at the end of the section. The card format is given above the card if it is other than eight fields of 10. Free formats may be used with the data separated by commas.



### Input file - Keywords

#### Input file (.k) Element Mandatory \*KEYWORD \*TITLE Test example \$ Control cards govern entire model / simulation \*CONTROL TERMINATION \*CONTROL TIMESTEP \$ Define output of results \*DATABASE BINARY D3PLOT \*DATABASE GLSTAT \$ Define section and material Comment card \*PART begins with \$ \$ Define element types and integration \*SECTION SHELL \$ Define material properties \*MAT ELASTIC \*MAT FIBER \$ Define nodes and elements \*NODE \*ELEMENT SHELL \$ Define loads and BC

#### Mandatory

\*LOAD NODE

\*END



**PART** 

Material

Section

### **Keyword Format**

#### Input file (.k)



- Similar functions are grouped together under the same keyword
- A data block begins with a keyword and ends with the next keyword
- Keywords are left justified
- No distinction between lower and upper case letters
- Variables are right justified in their fields
- A '0' or blank means that the variable will get the default value
- The decimal point is always written out for floating point variables



### **Keyword Format**

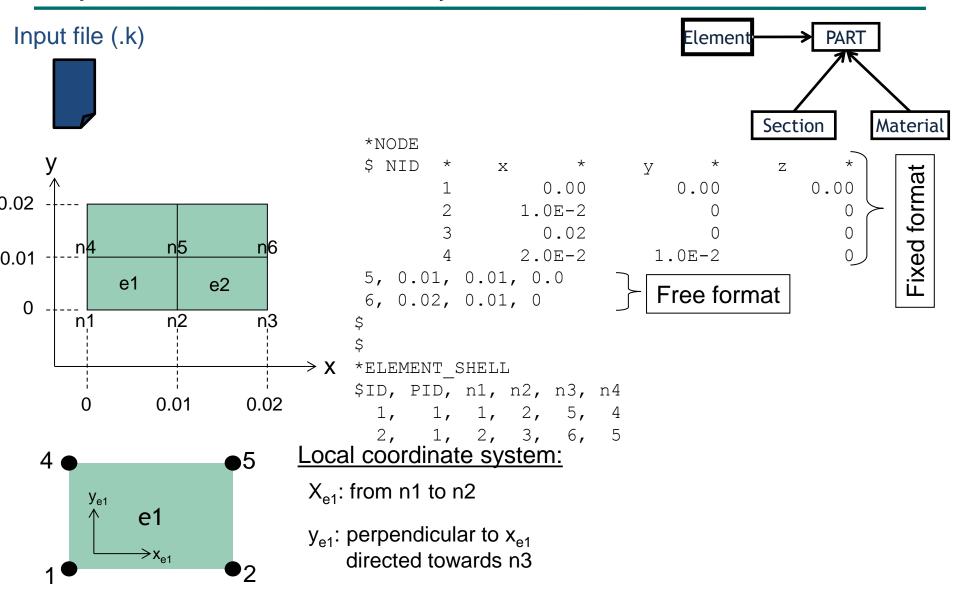
#### Input file (.k)



- Comments rows are written after a dollar sign in the first position
- \*COMMENT keyword exist
- Do not use 'tabs' when editing or creating your file
- Line feed signs may cause problems when transferring files from Dos to Unix



### **Keywords - Define Geometry**





#### **Elements**

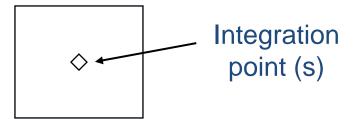
Some element formulations are more costly than others

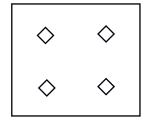
- Stresses and strains are calculated at the integration points
- Accelerations, velocities and displacements are evaluated at the nodes



### Under Integrated and Fully Integrated Elements

- Most element formulations in LS-DYNA are underintegrated, i.e. the stresses and strains are only calculated in the mid-point of each element.
- Advantage: Computational efficiency. The material model is called once per integration point and time step.
- Disadvantage: The element formulation contains zeroenergy modes (hourglass modes)

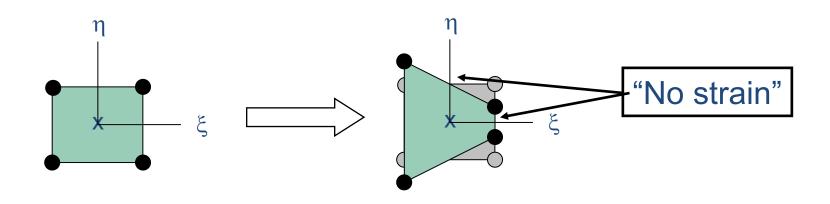






### Under Integrated and Fully Integrated Elements

- The following element deformation does not yield any strains in the integration point, and thus no stress
- There is deformation, but no associated internal energy, hence the name zero-energy modes.
- These modes have to be suppressed using "hourglass control"

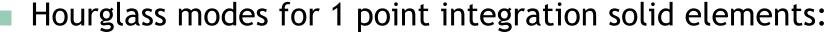


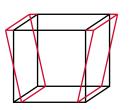


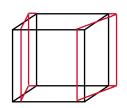
### **Hourglass Control**

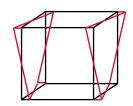
- Zero energy modes = Hourglass modes
- Hourglass controlled by \*CONTROL\_HOURGLASS and \*HOURGLASS
- Hourglass modes for 1 point integration Q4 shell elements:

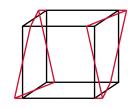












+8 more!



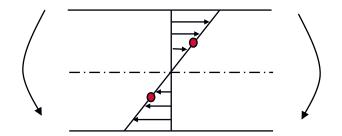
### SECTION\_SHELL

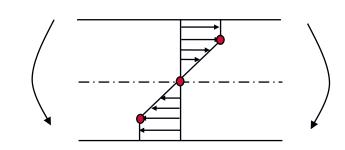
- Element formulation
  - Belytschko-Tsay
  - Belytschko-Wong-Chiang
  - Hughes-Liu
  - Belytschko-Leviathan
  - Fully integrated shells
  - Higher order shells 6/8 noded tria/quad
  - •••••
- Element thickness
- Number of integration points through shell thickness



### Elements (shell) - NIP

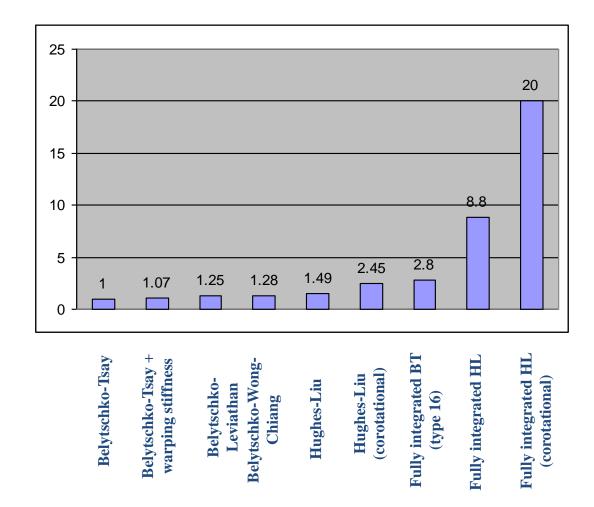
- 1 point integration through the thickness gives a membrane element
- 2 point integration through the thickness is the default (sufficient for a linearly elastic material)
- For plastic bending behaviour, at least 3 points are needed through the thickness
- 5 points recommended for sheet metal stamping.7 points for springback
- Use odd numbers to include the neutral axis







#### **Element Performance**





#### \*CONTROL\_ACCURACY

- Invariant node numbering
  - particularly important when large shear forces are present in an element
- 2nd order stress update
  - spinning bodies such as turbine blades, rotating tires
  - sometimes for stiffness hourglass control
  - implicit solutions with large strains in each step



## Material Models



#### Material Models

- Over 200 models for various applications exists in LS-DYNA.
- Determine the stress based on strain, strain-rate, temp etc.
- Not materials, but models subject to restrictions:
  - Load magnitude
  - Deformation speed (strain rate)
  - Temperature
- The models are defined by material parameters
  - **E**, ν, ρ, etc.



## Hypoelasticity

Hypoelasticity relates a strain rate to a corresponding stress rate

$$\dot{\sigma} = \mathbf{C} : \mathbf{D}$$

Hooke's law:

$$\sigma = E\varepsilon$$

Stress is incrementally updated from the strain rate with aid of the constitutive tensor C

$$\Delta \sigma = \dot{\sigma} \Delta t$$

$$\Delta \varepsilon = D\Delta t$$

Most of the materials in LS-DYNA are based on this formulation for the elastic response.



### Merits and drawbacks (theoretical)

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It is fairly straightforward to use and easy to implement in a finite element code

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- The response is path-dependent, the stress for a closed strain cycle can be nonzero, it should be used when the elastic deformation is relatively small
- It is difficult to deal with anisotropic constitutive models because the constitutive tensor C is restricted to be isotropic for nonlinear analysis. This is however solved in LS-DYNA with a co-rotational update.



### Hyperelasticity - definition

- A material is hyperelastic if the internal work is independent of the deformation path.
- It is characterized by the existence of a strain energy function that is a potential for the stress.

$$\mathbf{S} = 2 \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{C})}{\partial \mathbf{C}} = \frac{\partial W(\mathbf{E})}{\partial \mathbf{E}}$$

- S Second Piola Kirchhoff stress tensor
- E Green strain tensor
- C Right Cauchy Green tensor
- Typically used when elastic deformation is substantial, e.g. rubber.

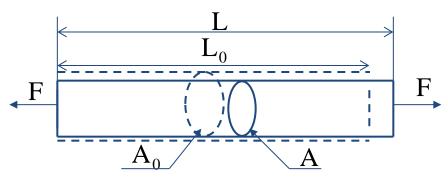


#### Stress and strain - uni-axial deformation

## Tensile test:

Engineering stress  $\sigma_E = F/A_0$ 

Engineering strain  $\epsilon_{\scriptscriptstyle E} = (L - L_{\scriptscriptstyle 0})/L_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}$ 



### In LS-DYNA:

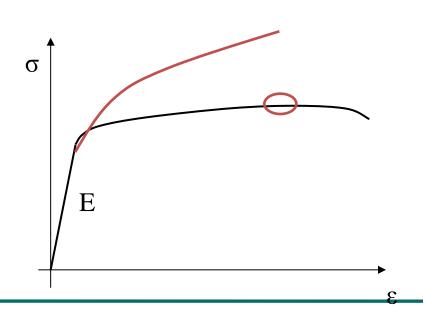
True stress  $\sigma = F/A$ 

True strain  $\varepsilon = \ln(L/L_0)$ 

# Elastic response:

Hooks law:  $\sigma = E\varepsilon$ 

Area reduction:  $A = A_0(1-2v\epsilon)$ 



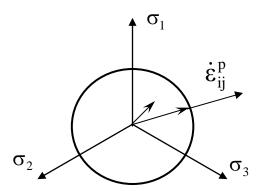


# Elasto-plasticity in 3-D - multi-axial deformation

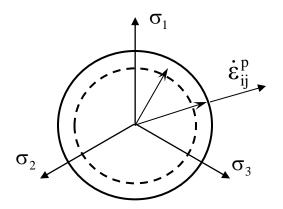
Deviatoric stressVolumetric stress

Stress decomposition....: 
$$\sigma_{ij} = S_{ij} + \delta_{ij} \sigma_{kk} / 3$$

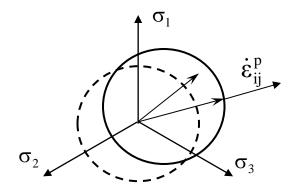
Von Mises yield criterion...: 
$$f = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} s_{ij} s_{ij}} - \sigma_y(\varepsilon_p)$$







Isotropic hardening



Kinematic hardening

# Elastic-visco-plastic material

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*MAT_PIECEWISE_LINEAR_PLASTIC
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MID RO E PR SIGY ETAN FAIL TDEL

<u>C</u> <u>P</u> LCSS <u>LCSR VP</u>

EPS1 EPS2 ......

EP1 ES2 ......

For: Metals, loading exceeding yielding stress, rate effects

In: All element types

Theory: Isotropic plasticity model with visco-plasticity option

E Young's Modulus  $\underline{C},\underline{P}$  Strain-rate parameters RO Density LCSS Load curve for  $\sigma_{_{y}}(\epsilon_{_{p}})$ 

PR Poisson's Ratio <u>LCSR</u> Load curve for strain-rate scaling

SIGY Yield stress <u>VP</u> Visco-plastic flag

ETAN Tangent modulus EPS1... Piecewise linear def.



# Elastic-visco-plastic material

# Activating visco-plasticity: ( $\sigma_y^s$ =static yield stress)

 $C, P = 0 \Rightarrow$  No visco-plastic effects

$$C, P \neq 0, VP = -1 \Rightarrow \text{Scale } \sigma_y^s \text{ by: } 1 + \left(\frac{\dot{e}}{C}\right)^{1/P}, e_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ij} - \delta_{ij}\varepsilon_{kk}$$

$$C, P \neq 0, VP = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Scale } \sigma_y^s \text{ by: } 1 + \left(\frac{\dot{\varepsilon}}{C}\right)^{1/P}, \dot{\varepsilon} = \sqrt{\dot{\varepsilon}_{ij}\dot{\varepsilon}_{ij}}$$

$$C, P \neq 0, VP = 1 \Rightarrow \text{ Yield stress is given by: } \sigma_y = \sigma_y^s \left\{ 1 + \left( \frac{\dot{\mathcal{E}}_{eff}^p}{C} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right\}$$

VP=1 is recommended as it uses a consistent visco-plastic theory



# Elastic-plastic material with Bauschinger efftect

\*MAT\_PLASTIC\_KINEMATIC

MID RO E PR SIGY ETAN BETA

SRC SRP FS VP

For: Metals under large loading

In: All element types

Theory: Isotropic and kinematic hardening plasticity, viscoplastic

E Young's Modulus

RO Density

PR Poisson's Ratio

SIGY Yield stress

ETAN Tangent modulus

BETA Hardening parameter FS Failure strain

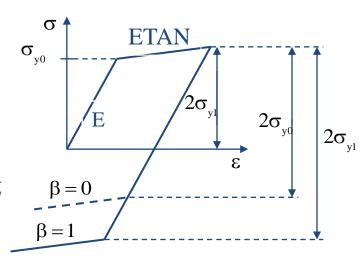
SRC Strain rate parameter C VP Rate formulation flag

SRP Strain rate parameter P



# Elastic-plastic material with Bauschinger efftect

#### Definition of material hardening:



Kinematic hardening

Isotropic hardening

Other models with kinematic hardening:

\*MAT\_PLASTIC\_GREEN-NAGHDI\_RATE

\*MAT\_ANISOTROPIC\_VISCOPLASTIC



#### \*EOS

- Certain material models only solve for the deviatoric part of the stress tensor
- An Equation of State (EOS) is required to find the pressure part of the stress tensor
- Mostly used in conjunction with fluid-like behaviour (high explosives, airbag inflation ...)
- Solid elements only



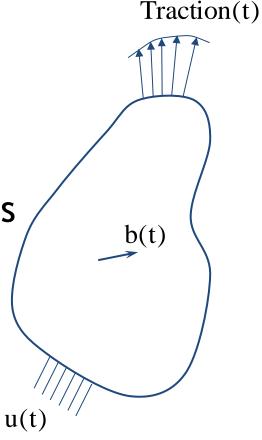
# Boundary/Initial Conditions



# Initial and Boundary Conditions

- Variation in time using load curves
- Variation in space
- Arbitrary directions using
  - Local coordinate systems
  - Vectors

But limited to cartesian coordinates





#### \*LOAD

## \*LOAD\_NODE[\_SET|\_POINT]

NODE/NSID DOF LCID SF CID M1 M2 M3

Nodal loads for one node or a set of nodes

DOF Direction of load in current coordinate system

LCID Load curve ID for variation in time

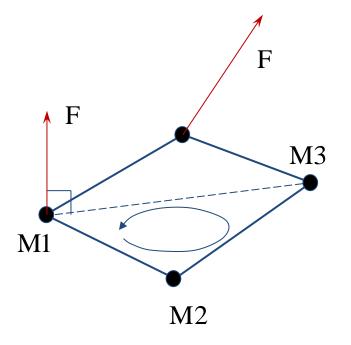
SF Scale load curve amplitude

CID Define a local coordinate system

M1-M3 Follower force definition

Singularities at point loads may be a problem.

Multiple load cards are accumulated.





#### \*INITIAL

# \*INITIAL\_STRESS[\_BEAM|\_SHELL|\_SOLID] \*INITIAL\_STRAIN[\_SHELL|\_SOLID]

Initialise the state of stress and strain in elements

Normally used to carry results obtained in one simulation to another.

- Multistage forming
- Forming -> Crash
   Keyword data normally generated automatically by preprocessors.



#### **Kinematic Conditions**

- Prescribe motion in the model
- \*BOUNDARY: w.r.t cartesian coordinates
  - Fixed supports
  - Symmetric boundaries
- \*CONSTRAINED: internal definitions
  - Mechanical Joints
  - Merging shell-brick elements
  - Define rigid bodies



### \*BOUNDARY\_PRESCRIBED\_MOTION\_\*\*

# \*BOUNDARY\_PRESCRIBED\_MOTION[\_NODE|\_SET|\_RIGID] ID DOF VAD LCID SF VID DEATH BIRTH

Apply nodal displacement, velocity, or acceleration to the model; translations or rotations

DOF Direction of load, global or local direction, see manual!

VAD Type of load

LCID Load curve ID for variation in time

SF Scale amplitude of the loadcurve

VID Vector ID for vector to be used if DOF=4 or 8

DEATH/BIRTH Active range of time for this boundary condition

Use the \_RIGID option for rigid bodies.

For local directions with rigid bodies see the MAT\_RIGID keyword.



#### \*CONSTRAINED

#### \*CONSTRAINED\_NODAL\_RIGID\_BODY

PID CID NSID PNODE IPRT

Create a new rigid body using existing nodes

PID Part id req. is a unique one

CID Coordinate system for output

NSID Node set

PNODE Optional centre node

IPRT Print flag

RB

For spot-welds and other types of rigid connections.



#### \*CONSTRAINED

\*CONSTRAINED\_JOINT\_"JOINTTYPE"

N1 N2 N3 N4 N5 N6 RPS DAMP

Define mechanical joints between rigid bodies

N1-N6 Nodes in the rigid bodies

RPS Scale the penalty stiffness

DAMP Dynamic damping

N1,N3,N6 in RB1. N2,N4,N6 in RB2.

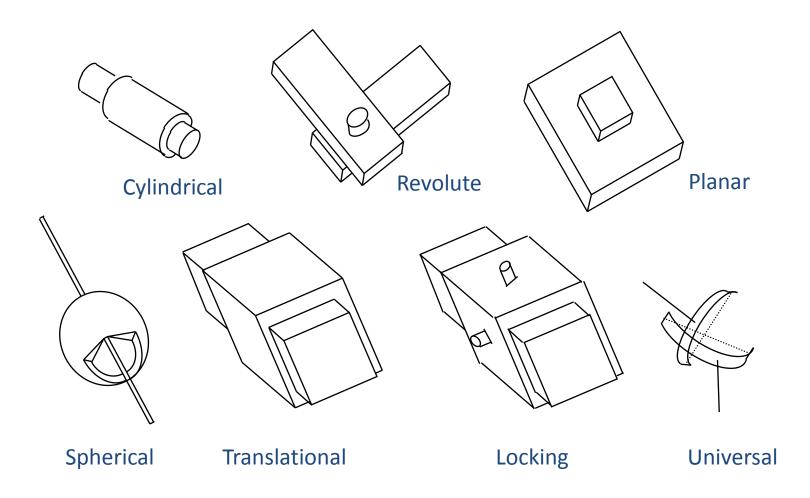
Place the nodes in one RB far apart.

(N1,N2) etc. initially coincident, except universal joint, read the manual!

Motor and gear joints are available for advanced mechanisms.



## \*CONSTRAINED





# Contacts



#### Some of the available contacts \*CONTACT\_option\_option\_...

AIRBAG SINGLE SURFACE AUTOMATIC GENERAL AUTOMATIC GENERAL INTERIOR AUTOMATIC NODES TO SURFACE AUTOMATIC NODES TO SURFACE TIEBREAK AUTOMATIC ONE WAY SURFACE TO SURFACE AUTOMATIC SINGLE SURFACE AUTOMATIC SURFACE TO SURFACE AUTOMATIC SURFACE TO SURFACE TIEBREAK CONSTRAINT NODES TO SURFACE CONSTRAINT SURFACE TO SURFACE DRAWBEAD ERODING NODES TO SURFACE ERODING SURFACE TO SURFACE FORCE TRANSDUCER CONSTRAINT FORCE TRANSDUCER PENALTY FORMING NODES TO SURFACE TIEBREAK FORMING ONE WAY SURFACE TO SURFACE FORMING SURFACE TO SURFACE NODES TO SURFACE

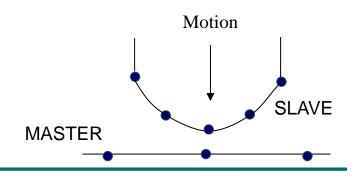
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#### Contact

- A way of treating interaction between different parts
- Contacts are defined by sets (node/part/segments) or a box
- Generally there is a master side and a slave side of the contact
- The master side can be a mathematically described with a geometrical surface (rigid)
- The thickness of shells are normally taken into account
- Most recommended contacts are based on the penalty method
- Several contacts treating special applications exists
- Old contact types kept for compatibility reasons



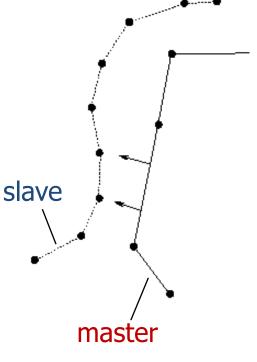
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## Interesting Keywords for Contacts

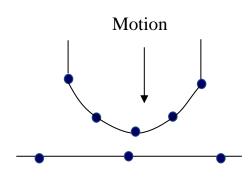
- Contacts in LS-DYNA is affected by many different keywords
  - \*SECTION\_SHELL (Shell thicknesses, middle/top/bottom surface meshed)
  - \*MAT\_xxx (Penalty stiffness, E, pr, dens)
  - \*DEFINE\_FRICTION (Friction behavior between parts)
  - \*PART\_CONTACT (Contact behavior for parts)
  - \*CONTROL\_CONTACT (Overall contact behavior)
  - \*CONTACT\_xxx (Contact definition)
- The different parameters on different keywords might be used, depending on contact type.
- The parameter might have a different meaning depending on contact type use.
- Makes contact definition tricky in LS-DYNA! Some of the most interesting parameters found on different cards will be examined in this presentation.

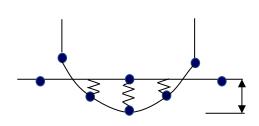




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## Important contact parameters: penalty method (default)





 $\delta_i$ = penetration

Contact force

c = penalty factor

$$F_i = \delta_i \, k$$
 k= interface spring stiffness Solid elements Shell elements

$$k = \frac{cKA}{V/A}$$
 
$$k = \frac{cKA}{diagonal}$$
 K= bulk modulus

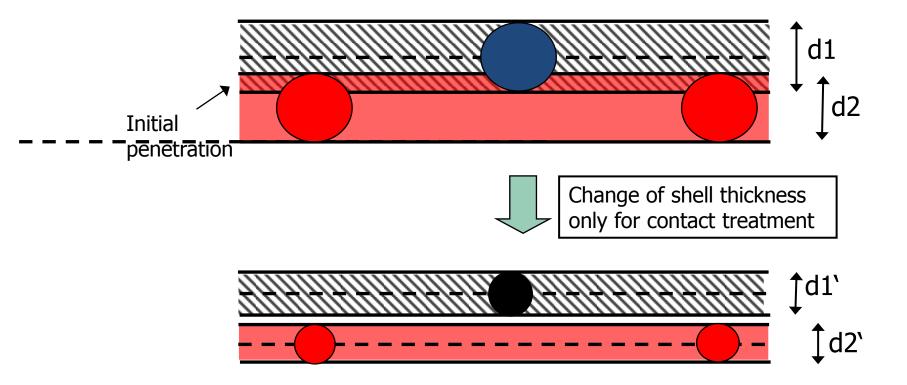
The time step of the analysis is determined by LS-DYNA from the elements of the FE-mesh without considering the contact interfaces!



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#### Contact Thickness and Initial Penetrations





## Important contact parameters: friction

- Sliding friction FS, FD, DC and VC
  - Defined in keyword \*CONTACT
  - Based on Coulomb friction
  - Default values gives no friction

$$\mu_c = FD + (FS - FD)e^{-DC|V_{rel}|}$$

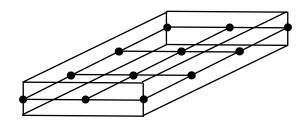
- FS and FD are static respectively dynamic friction coefficient
- DC decay coefficient
- If FD and FS not are equal, then FD should be less than FS and DC nonzero
- VC is the coefficient for viscous friction and limits the friction force (typically 3-½ of yield stress)
- Viscous damping VDC improves stability. For metal contacts use 20% and for soft material 40-60%

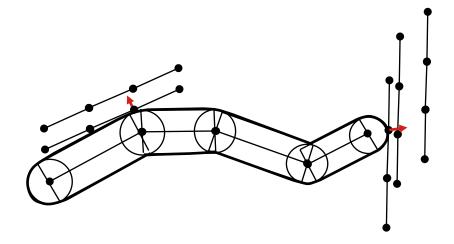


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#### Automatic contacts without self contact

- \*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_NODES\_TO\_SURFACE
- \*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE
  - Thickness taken into account
  - Contact surface is offset by half thickness from mid-plane
  - Orientation of segments not needed
  - Contact from both sides
  - Handles disjoint meshes
  - Applies a smooth surface based on a radii at the edges (including free edges)
  - Initial penetrations are detected
  - Possible to change or scale contact thickness
  - Friction and damping available







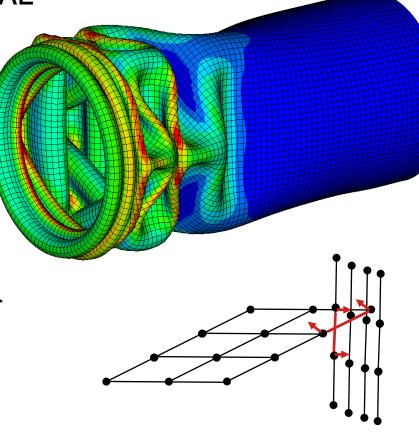
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# Single-surface contacts (self contact)

\*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_SINGLE\_SURFACE

\*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_GENERAL

- Same features as the automatic contacts
- Only require definition of the slave surface
- Include self contact
- Sensitive to initial penetrations
- Possible to use only one contact definition forthe complete model
- Beam and edge to edge contacts are included\*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_GENERAL





## **Edge/Beam Contacts**

#### \*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_GENERAL (26)

- exclude interior edges
- entire length of each exterior edge is checked for contact
- OBS, the edge cylinder is not affected by OPTT or TH when using part\_contact.

#### \*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_GENERAL\_INTERIOR (i26)

- like \*CONTACT AUTOMATIC GENERAL,
- but interior edges are treated like exterior edges
- Alternative way to treat edge contact:
- creating null beam elements (\*ELEMENT\_BEAM,\*MAT\_NULL) approximately 1mm in diameter along every edge wished to be considered for edge-to-edge contact and including these null beams in a separate AUTOMATIC\_GENERAL contact

### \*CONTACT\_SINGLE\_EDGE (22)

- Treats only edge-to-edge contact
- no thickness offset at the contact edge

#### \*CONTACT\_xxx\_MORTAR()

- edge-to-edge contact
- no thickness offset at the contact edge



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#### Tied contacts

- CONTACT\_TIED\_NODES\_TO\_SURFACE
- \*CONTACT\_TIED\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE
- \*CONTACT\_TIED\_SHELL\_EDGE\_TO\_SURFACE ....\_OFFSET
  - Possibility to "tie" nodes to a surface (segment)
  - NODES\_... and SURFACE\_... ties translational d.o.f
  - SHELL\_EDGE\_.. ties translational and rotational d.o.f
  - Constraint based. Thus, will not work with rigid bodies.
  - ...\_OFFSET allows for a segment thickness and is penalty based.
  - ...\_TIEBREAK\_... has failure options.
  - Can be used to model glue, spotwelds etc.



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# Control Cards & Execution



#### **Control Cards**

# The purpose is:

- Activate solution options; implicit solution, adaptive remeshing, mass scaling ...
- Change default values on options and parameters

### Remember that:

- Ordering between them and position are arbitrary
   Good practise is to put them first in your input file
- Do not use more then one control card of each type
- All control cards are optional except \*CONTROL\_TERMINATION



#### Control Card Default Values

- Default values exist for all options and most parameters
- Control cards change default values globally
- Default values are defined hierarchically The order between them are:
  - LS-DYNA defaults
  - Control card input
  - Individual Keyword input
- Set your defaults with the control cards and change the keyword input where default values not should be used
- Input of '0' will normally give the default value which is shown in the manual



## Most Important Control Cards

- Always consider the following control cards since they can strongly affect your results or output
  - \*CONTROL\_ACCURACY
  - \*CONTROL\_CONTACT
  - \*CONTROL\_ENERGY
  - \*CONTROL\_HOURGLASS
  - \*CONTROL\_SHELL
  - \*CONTROL\_SOLID
  - \*CONTROL\_TERMINATION
  - \*CONTROL\_TIMESTEP



## Implicit Solution Types

# Linear Analysis

- static or dynamic
- single, multi-step

## Eigenvalue Analysis

- frequencies and mode shapes
- linear buckling loads and modes
- modal analysis: extraction and superposition
- Dynamic analysis by modal superposition (971)

# Nonlinear Analysis

- Newton, Quasi-Newton, Arclength solution
- static or dynamic
- default LS-DYNA: static and nonlinear!



# **Output Files**

- Binary files (can be viewed in LS-PrePost)\*DATABASE\_BINARY\_Option
- ASCII files for more detailed output (graphs can be shown in LS-PrePost)
   \*DATABASE\_Option
- Data in the binary and ASCII files is controlled by \*DATABASE\_EXTENT\_Option
   \*DATABASE\_HISTORY\_Option
- Control files (d3hsp)
- Message files (messag)



## **Output Files**

- D3PLOT (database for complete output states)
- D3DUMP (complete database for restart)
- RUNRSF (running restart file, overwritten)
- D3PART (as D3PLOT but includes just specified parts)
- D3THDT (database for time history data of element subsets)
- D3DRLF (dynamic relaxation database)
- D3MEAN (CFD database)
- INTFOR (database for output of contact interface data)
- XTFILE (extra time history data)
- D3EIGV (modal data from eigenvalue analysis)
- D3CRCK (crack data from Winfrith concrete model)



## **ASCII Output Files**

- GLSTAT (global data)
- MATSUM (material energies)
- RCFORC (resultant interface forces)
- SLEOUT (sliding interface energy)
- NODOUT (nodal point data)
- ELOUT (element data)
- SECFORC (cross section forces)
- RWFORC (rigid wall forces)
- SSSTAT (subsystem data)
- DEFORC (discrete elements)
- NCFORC (nodal interface forces)
- DEFGEO (deformed geometry)
- SPCFORC (SPC reaction forces)
- NODFOR (nodal force groups)

- ABSTAT (airbag statistics)
- BNDOUT (boundary condition force/ energy)
- RBDOUT (rigid body data)
- GCEOUT (geometric contact entities)
- JNTFORC (joint force)
- SBTOUT (seat belt output)
- AVSFLT (AVS database)
- SWFORC (nodal constraint reaction forces)
- MOVIE
- MPGS
- TRHIST (trace particle history)
- TPRINT (thermal output)
- SPHOUT (SPH data)





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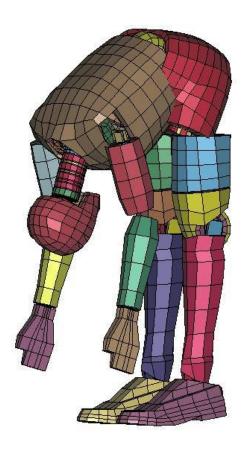
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- PreProcessing
- PostProcessing



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# Thank you!





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