

# Load Items: Element Load

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## Functions

afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo, const VARIANT FAR &varDirection, const VARIANT FAR &varPressure, const VARIANT FAR &varX1, const VARIANT FAR &varY1, const VARIANT FAR &varX2, const VARIANT FAR &varY2) Adds pressure load to plate elements.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo, const VARIANT FAR &varLoadVaryDirection, const VARIANT FAR &varLoadDirection, const VARIANT FAR &varStartPressure, const VARIANT FAR &varEndPressure) Adds Hydrostatic pressure loading to plate elements.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::AddElementTrapPressureEx</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo, const VARIANT FAR &varDirection, const VARIANT FAR &varLoadDirection, const VARIANT FAR &varStartPressure, const VARIANT FAR &varEndPressure, const VARIANT FAR &varPressure3, const VARIANT FAR &varPressure4) Adds trapezoidal pressure loading to plate elements.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoadCount</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo) Gets the number pressure load(s) for the specified plate.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoads</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo, VARIANT FAR &varDirection, VARIANT FAR &varW1, VARIANT FAR &varX1, VARIANT FAR &varY1, VARIANT FAR &varX2, VARIANT FAR &varY2) Returns the pressure load(s) with all the parameters for the specified plate.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoadCount</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo) Returns the number of concentrated load for specified plate.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoads</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo, VARIANT FAR &varDirection, VARIANT FAR &varW1, VARIANT FAR &varX1, VARIANT FAR &varY1) Returns the concentrated load(s) with all the parameters for the specified plate.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSLoadUI::GetElementLoadInfo</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varloadIndex, VARIANT FAR &varDir, VARIANT FAR &varForce, VARIANT FAR &varDist) Gets element load information generated by specified load item in specified load case. Please select the loadCase from UI (ElementLoadPressure only supported).

## Detailed Description

These functions are related to element load.

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## Function Documentation

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- ◆ AddElementHydrostaticPressure()

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```
VARIANT OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo,
                                                 const VARIANT FAR & varLoadDirection,
                                                 const VARIANT FAR & varInterpolateDirection,
                                                 const VARIANT FAR & varMinLoad,
                                                 const VARIANT FAR & varMaxLoad )
```

Adds Hydrostatic pressure loading to plate elements.

### Parameters

[in] <b>varPlateNo</b>	Plate number ID(s) VARIANT array.
[in] <b>varLoadDirection</b>	Load direction: (= 3 to 6 for LocalZ, GlobalX, GlobalY, GlobalZ, respectively)(type - Integer)
[in] <b>varInterpolateDirection</b>	Interpolate along Global Axis(Int or Long), valid direction codes are 1, 2, 3 for Interpolate along Global X, Y, Z. No other direction is a valid input.
[in] <b>varMinLoad</b>	minimum Pressure load (double).
[in] <b>varMaxLoad</b>	maximum Pressure load (double).

### Return values

**1/True** OK.

**0/False** General error.

### C++ Syntax

```
// Add global X direction hydrostatic force, force varying in Y direction from 2.0 units
// to 5.0 units
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure(varPlateNo, 3, 1, 2.0, 5.0);
```

### VBA Syntax

```
Option Explicit
Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String

    Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
    If stdFile = "" Then
        MsgBox "Bad"
        Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
        Exit Sub
    End If

    Dim RetVal As Variant
    Dim nLCNum As Long
    nLCNum = 1
    Dim bRes As Boolean
    bRes = objOpenStaad.Load.SetLoadActive(nLCNum)
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```

```
plateArray(1) = 10
plateArray(2) = 12
plateArray(3) = 13

Dim varInterpolateDirection As Integer
varInterpolateDirection = 1 'Interpolate along Global Axis 1=GX, 2=GY, 3=GZ
Dim loadDirection As Integer
loadDirection = 3 'Load Direction 3 = Local Z; 4 = Global X; 5 = Global Y; 6 =
    Global Z
Dim startPre As Double
startPre = 2
Dim endPre As Double
endPre = 5
RetVal = objOpenStaad.Load.AddElementHydrostaticPressure(plateArray, loadDirection,
    varInterpolateDirection, startPre, endPre)
End Sub
```

## See also

[OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoadCount](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoads](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementTrapLoadCount](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementTrapPressureLoads](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementLoadInfo](#)

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## ◆ AddElementPressure()

```
VARIANT OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & varDirection,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & varPressure,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & varX1,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & varY1,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & varX2,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & varY2 )
```

Adds pressure load to plate elements.

### Parameters

- [in] **varPlateNo** Plate number ID(s) VARIANT array.
- [in] **varDirection** Load direction: (= 1 to 9 for LocalX, LocalY, LocalZ, GlobalX, GlobalY, GlobalZ, ProjectedX, ProjectedY and ProjectedZ respectively).
- [in] **varPressure** Magnitude of the pressure or concentrate load on the element.
- [in] **varX1** Top-Left coordinate X (local).
- [in] **varY1** Top-Left coordinate Y (local).
- [in] **varX2** Bottom-Right coordinate X (local).
- [in] **varY2** Bottom-Right coordinate Y (local).

### Remarks

**dX1, dY1, dX2 and dY2 are 0:** Pressure applied over the full area of the element.

**dX1, dY1, dX2 and dY2 are *not* 0:** Pressure applied over the area between (**dX1 , dY1**) and (**dX2 , dY2**) measured from the center of plate(s) in the local axis system.

**dX1 and dY1 are *not* 0, but dX2 and dY2 are 0:** Concentrate load applied on (**dX1 , dY1**) measured from the center of plate(s) in the local axis system.

For additional information, please refer to Section 5.32.3.1 of the Technical Reference manual.

### Return values

- 0** OK.
- 1** General error.
- 8001** Load direction is invalid.

### C++ Syntax 1

```
// Add full plate pressure of 2.0 units on plate(s) in global X direction
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure(varPlateNo, 4, 2.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);
```

### VBA Syntax 1

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```
Dim RetVal As VARIANT = OSLoadUI.AddElementPressure(varPlateNo, 4, 2.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,  
0.0)
```

## C++ Syntax 2

```
// Add global X direction concentrate force of 2.0 units on plate(s) at (3.0, 3.5) of  
coordinate origin at center of plate(s).  
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure(varPlateNo, 4, 2.0, 3.0, 3.5, 0.0, 0.0);
```

## VBA Syntax 2

```
' Add global X direction concentrate force of 2.0 units on plate(s) at (3.0, 3.5) of  
coordinate origin at center of plate(s).  
Dim RetVal As VARIANT = OSLoadUI.AddElementPressure(varPlateNo, 4, 2.0, 3.0, 3.5, 0.0,  
0.0)
```

## C++ Syntax 3

```
// Add global X direction concentrate force of 2.0 units on plate(s) area between (0.0,  
0.0) and (3.0, 3.5).  
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure(varPlateNo, 4, 2.0, 0.0, 0.0, 3.0, 3.5);
```

## VBA Syntax 3

```
' Add global X direction concentrate force of 2.0 units on plate(s) area between (0.0,  
0.0) and (3.0, 3.5).  
Dim RetVal As VARIANT = OSLoadUI.AddElementPressure(varPlateNo, 4, 2.0, 0.0, 0.0, 3.0,  
3.5)
```

## See also

[OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoadCount](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoads](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementTrapLoadCount](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementTrapPressureLoads](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementLoadInfo](#)

## ◆ [AddElementTrapPressureEx\(\)](#)

```
VARIANT OSLoadUI::AddElementTrapPressureEx ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo,
                                              const VARIANT FAR & varLoadDirection,
                                              const VARIANT FAR & varLoadVaryDirection,
                                              const VARIANT FAR & varStartPressure,
                                              const VARIANT FAR & varEndPressure,
                                              const VARIANT FAR & varPressure3,
                                              const VARIANT FAR & varPressure4 )
```

Adds trapezoidal pressure loading to plate elements.

## Parameters

<b>[in] varPlateNo</b>	Plate number ID(s) (type - VARIANT array of.Long)
<b>[in] varLoadDirection</b>	Load direction: (= 3 to 6 for LocalZ, GlobalX, GlobalY, GlobalZ, respectively) (type - Integer)
<b>[in] varLoadVaryDirection</b>	Load varying direction: (= 1, 2 ,3 for X, Y and JOINT respectively) (type - Integer)
<b>[in] varStartPressure</b>	Pressure at loading starting point.(Node1 when JOINT is selected) (type - Double)
<b>[in] varEndPressure</b>	Pressure at loading ending point.(Node2 when JOINT is selected) (type - Double)
<b>[in] varPressure3</b>	Pressure at loading point.(applicable only when JOINT is selected) (type - Double)
<b>[in] varPressure4</b>	Pressure at loading point.(applicable only when JOINT is selected) (type - Double)

## Return values

**1/True** OK.

**0/False** General error.

## C++ Syntax

```
// Add global X direction trapezoidal force, force varying in Y direction from 2.0 units
// to 5.0 units to plate element 1
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::AddElementTrapPressureEx(1, 3, 2, 2.0, 5.0, 0.0, 0.0);
```

## VBA Syntax

```
Option Explicit

Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String

    Loading [MathJax]/extensions/MathZoom.js GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    Set objOpenStaad = CreateObject("StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.OpenFile stdFile, "TRUE"
```

```
If stdFile="" Then
    MsgBox"Bad"
    Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
    Exit Sub
End If
Dim RetVal As Variant
' Add global X direction trapezoidal force, force varying in Y direction from 2.0
    units to 5.0 units to plate element 1
Dim nLCNum As Long
nLCNum = 1
Dim bRes As Boolean
bRes = objOpenStaad.Load.SetLoadActive(nLCNum)
Dim plateArray(0) As Long
plateArray(0) = 1
Dim loadVaryDirection As Integer
loadVaryDirection = 2
Dim loadDirection As Integer
loadDirection = 3
Dim startPre As Double
startPre = 2.0
Dim endPre As Double
endPre = 5.0
Dim pre3 As Double
pre3 = 0
Dim pre4 As Double
pre4 = 0
RetVal= objOpenStaad.Load.AddElementTrapPressureEx(plateArray, loadDirection,
    loadVaryDirection, startPre, endPre, pre3, pre4)
MsgBox"Macro Ending"
Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
End Sub
```

## See also

- [OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure](#)
- [OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure](#)
- [OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoadCount](#)
- [OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoads](#)
- [OSLoadUI::GetElementLoadInfo](#)

## ◆ [GetElementConcLoadCount\(\)](#)

## VARIANT OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoadCount ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo )

Returns the number of concentrated load for specified plate.

### Parameters

[in] **varPlateNo** Plate number ID.

### Return values

<Val> The number of concentrated load on specified plate.

-1 General error.

### C++ Syntax

```
// Count the concentrated load(s) on plate #2.  
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoadCount(2);
```

### VBA Syntax

```
' Count the concentrated load(s) on plate #2.  
Dim RetVal As VARIANT = OSLoadUI.GetElementConcLoadCount(2)
```

### See also

[OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoads](#)

### ◆ [GetElementConcLoads\(\)](#)

```
VARIANT OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoads ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo,
                                         VARIANT FAR & varDirection,
                                         VARIANT FAR & varW1,
                                         VARIANT FAR & varX1,
                                         VARIANT FAR & varY1 )
```

Returns the concentrated load(s) with all the parameters for the specified plate.

## Parameters

- [in] **varPlateNo** Plate number ID
- [out] **varDirection** If non-null, the direction.
- [out] **varW1** If non-null, the pressure.
- [out] **varX1** If non-null, the first d x coordinate.
- [out] **varY1** If non-null, the first d y coordinate.

## Return values

- 0** OK.
- 1** General error.

## C++ Syntax

```
// Get the concentrated load(s) information on plate#2.
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoads(2, &varDirection, &varW1, &varX1, &varY1);
```

## VBA Syntax

```
' Get the concentrated load(s) information on plate#2.
Dim RetVal As VARIANT = OSLoadUI.GetElementConcLoads(2, &varDirection, &varW1, &varX1,
&varY1)
```

## See also

[OSLoadUI::GetElementConcLoadCount](#)

## ◆ [GetElementLoadInfo\(\)](#)

```
VARIANT OSLoadUI::GetElementLoadInfo ( const VARIANT FAR & varloadIndex,
                                         VARIANT FAR &           varDir,
                                         VARIANT FAR &           varForce,
                                         VARIANT FAR &           varDist )
```

Gets element load information generated by specified load item in specified load case. Please select the loadCase from UI (ElementLoadPressure only supported).

## Parameters

- [in] **loadIndex** Load item index (Zero based).
- [out] **varDir** Load direction: (= 0 to 8 for LocalX, LocalY, LocalZ, GlobalX, GlobalY and GlobalZ, ProjectedX, ProjectedY, ProjectedZ respectively).
- [out] **varForce** Element pressures VARIANT array: dW1, dW2, dW3 and dW4 (see commands for add element pressure).
- [out] **varDist** Element force distances VARIANT array: dX1, dY1, dX2 and dY2 (see commands for add element force).

## Return values

- 1** Successful.
- 0** Unsuccessful.
- 1** Not Implemented.

## C++ Syntax

```
// Gets element load assigned with load item #1 in Load Case #2.
long RetVal = OSLoadUI::GetElementLoadInfo(0, 0, &varDir, &varForce, &varDist);
```

## VBA Syntax

```
Option Explicit

Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String

    Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFfile stdFile, "TRUE"
    Dim RetVal As Variant
    Dim varDirection As Long
    Dim varForce(3) As Double
    Dim varDist(3) As Double
    Dim itemsCount As Long
    Dim LoadCaseNo As Long
    Dim i As Long
    Dim IsEleLoad As Long

    LoadCaseNo = 1
    Loading [MathJax]/extensions/MathZoom.js enStaad.load.GetLoadItemsCount(LoadCaseNo)
    If itemsCount > 0 Then
```

```
For i = 0 To itemsCount -1
    IsEleLoad = objOpenStaad.load.GetLoadItemType(LoadCaseNo, i)
    If IsEleLoad = 3310 Then
       RetVal = objOpenStaad.load.GetElementLoadInfo(i, varDirection, varForce,
        varDist)
        End If
    Next
End If

End Sub
```

## See also

[OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure](#)  
[OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetLoadItemsCount](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetLoadItemType](#)

## ◆ [GetElementPressureLoadCount\(\)](#)

## VARIANT OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoadCount ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo )

Gets the number pressure load(s) for the specified plate.

### Parameters

[in] **varPlateNo** Plate number ID.

### Return values

<Val> The number of pressure load(s).

-1 General error.

### C++ Syntax

```
// Counts the pressure load(s) on plate #2.  
VARIANT nPresLoad = OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoadCount(2);
```

### VBA Syntax

```
' Counts the pressure load(s) on plate #2.  
Dim nPresLoad As VARIANT = OSLoadUI.GetElementPressureLoadCount(2)
```

### See also

[OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure](#)  
[OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoads](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementTrapLoadCount](#)  
[OSLoadUI::GetElementTrapPressureLoads](#)

### ◆ GetElementPressureLoads()

```
VARIANT OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoads ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo,
                                            VARIANT FAR & varDirection,
                                            VARIANT FAR & varW1,
                                            VARIANT FAR & varX1,
                                            VARIANT FAR & varY1,
                                            VARIANT FAR & varX2,
                                            VARIANT FAR & varY2 )
```

Returns the pressure load(s) with all the parameters for the specified plate.

## Parameters

- [in] **varPlateNo** Plate number ID.
- [out] **varDirection** Load direction = 1 to 9 for LocalX, LocalY, LocalZ, GlobalX, GlobalY, GlobalZ, ProjectedX, ProjectedY and ProjectedZ respectively (in VARIANT array).
- [out] **varW1** Magnitude of the pressure load(s) in VARIANT array.
- [out] **varX1** Top-Left coordinate X (local) in VARIANT array.
- [out] **varY1** Top-Left coordinate Y (local) in VARIANT array.
- [out] **varX2** Bottom-Right coordinate X (local) in VARIANT array.
- [out] **varY2** Bottom-Right coordinate Y (local) in VARIANT array.

## Return values

- 0** OK.
- 1** General error.

## C++ Syntax

```
// Get the pressure load(s) information for plate #2.
VARIANT RetVal = OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoads(2, &varDirection, &varW1, &varX1,
&varY1, &varX2, &varY2);
```

## VBA Syntax

```
' Get the pressure load(s) information for plate #2.
Dim RetVal As VARIANT = OSLoadUI.GetElementPressureLoads(2, &varDirection, &varW1,
&varX1, &varY1, &varX2, &varY2)
```

## See also

- [OSLoadUI::AddElementPressure](#)
- [OSLoadUI::AddElementHydrostaticPressure](#)
- [OSLoadUI::GetElementPressureLoadCount](#)
- [OSLoadUI::GetElementTrapPressureLoads](#)

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