

USDFLD/VUSDFLD subroutines

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From the ABAQUS documentation:

ABAQUS/standard

Overview

User subroutine **USDFLD**:

- allows you to define field variables at a material point as functions of time or of any of the available material point quantities listed in the Output Variable Identifiers table (“Abaqus/Standard output variable identifiers,” Section 4.2.1 of the Abaqus Analysis User’s Guide) except the user-defined output variables **UARM** and **UARM_n**;
- can be used to introduce solution-dependent material properties since such properties can easily be defined as functions of field variables;
- will be called at all material points of elements for which the material definition includes user-defined field variables;
- must call utility routine **GETVRM** to access material point data;
- can use and update state variables; and
- can be used in conjunction with user subroutine **UFIELD** to prescribe predefined field variables.

Field variables

ABAQUS/explicit

Overview

User subroutine **VUSDFLD**:

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- can call utility routine **VGETVRM** to access material point data; and
- can use and update solution-dependent state variables.

(V)USDFLD subroutine

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ABAQUS/standard

Overview

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State dependent variables

ABAQUS/explicit

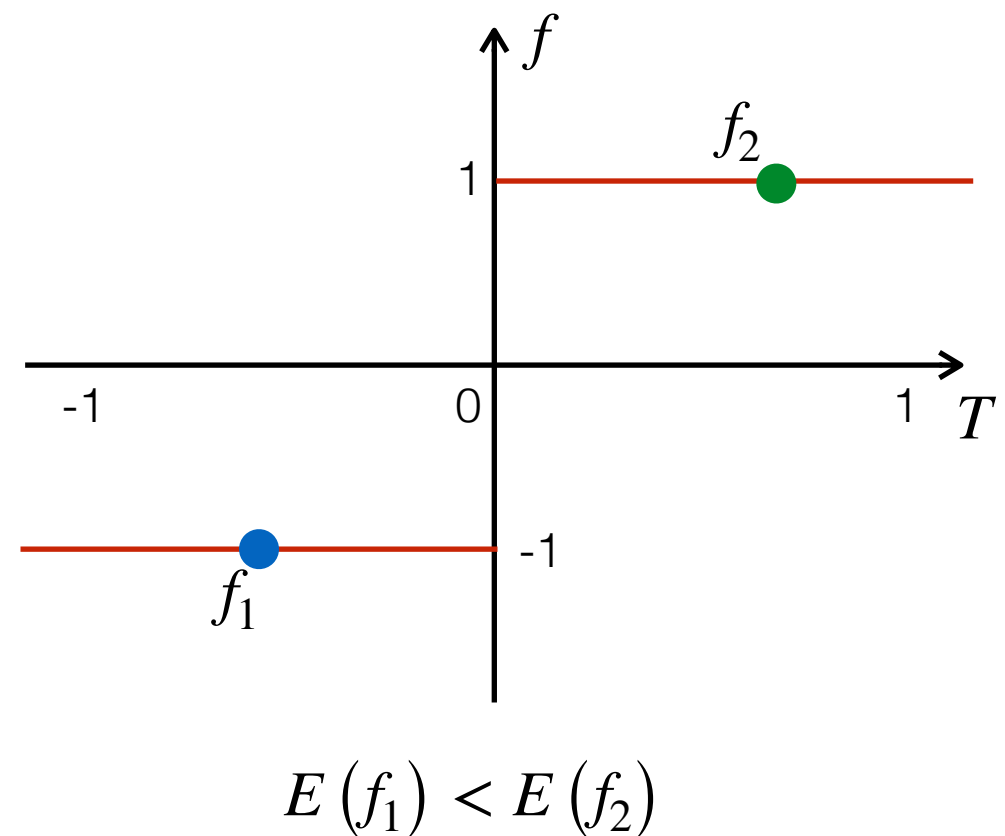
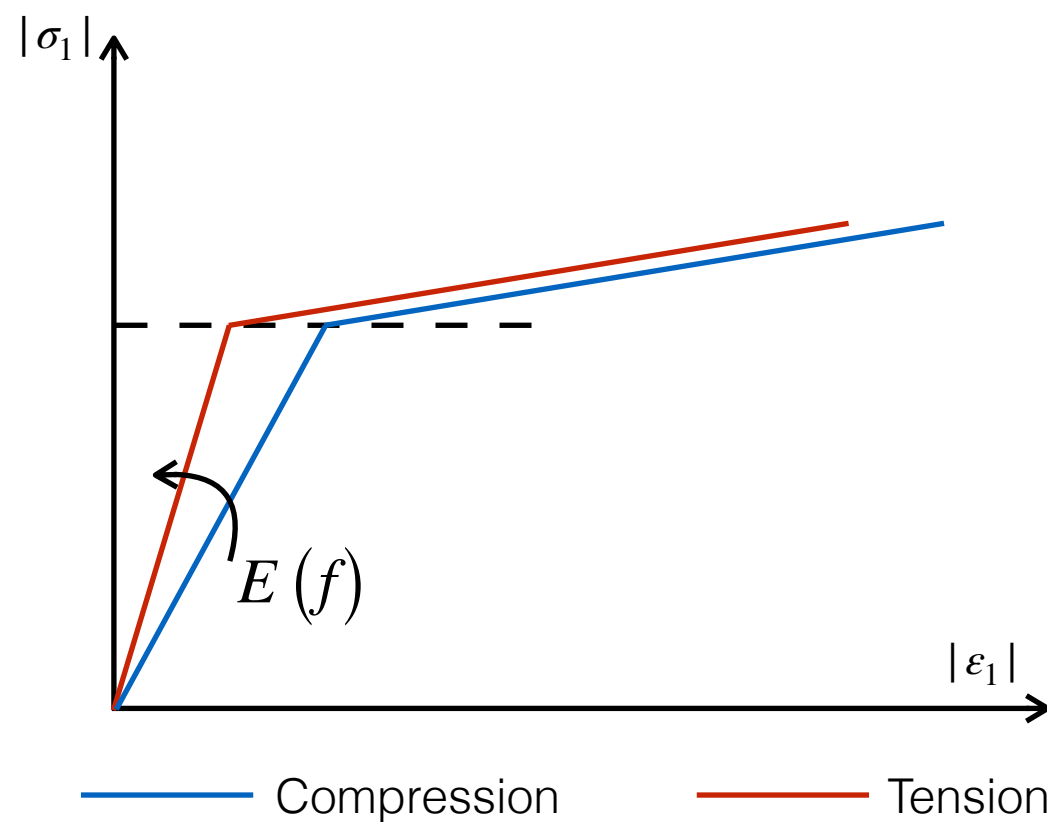
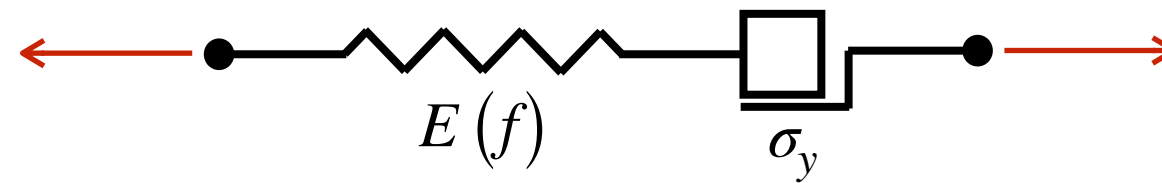
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- can call utility routine **VGETVRM** to access material point data; and
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(V)USDFLD subroutine

In this example, we want a material model where the Young's modulus E is different between tension and compression.



(V)USDFLD subroutine

```
77  **-----
78  ** MATERIALS
79  **-----
80  *material,name=EXAMPLE_VUSDFLD_V1
81  *density
82  7.8e-9
83  *elastic,dependencies=1
84  **      E,  NU, TEMP,  F
85  | 21000.0, 0.3,  0.0, -1.0
86  | 210000.0, 0.3,  0.0,  1.0
87  *plastic
88  250.0, 0.0
89  350.0, 1.0
90  *User defined field
91  **-----
```

Activate a field dependency

Tabulated data with the field variable f
Temperature must always be present

Call to the VUSDFLD subroutine

(V)USDFLD subroutine

Same input between ABAQUS/standard and ABAQUS/explicit:

ABAQUS/explicit

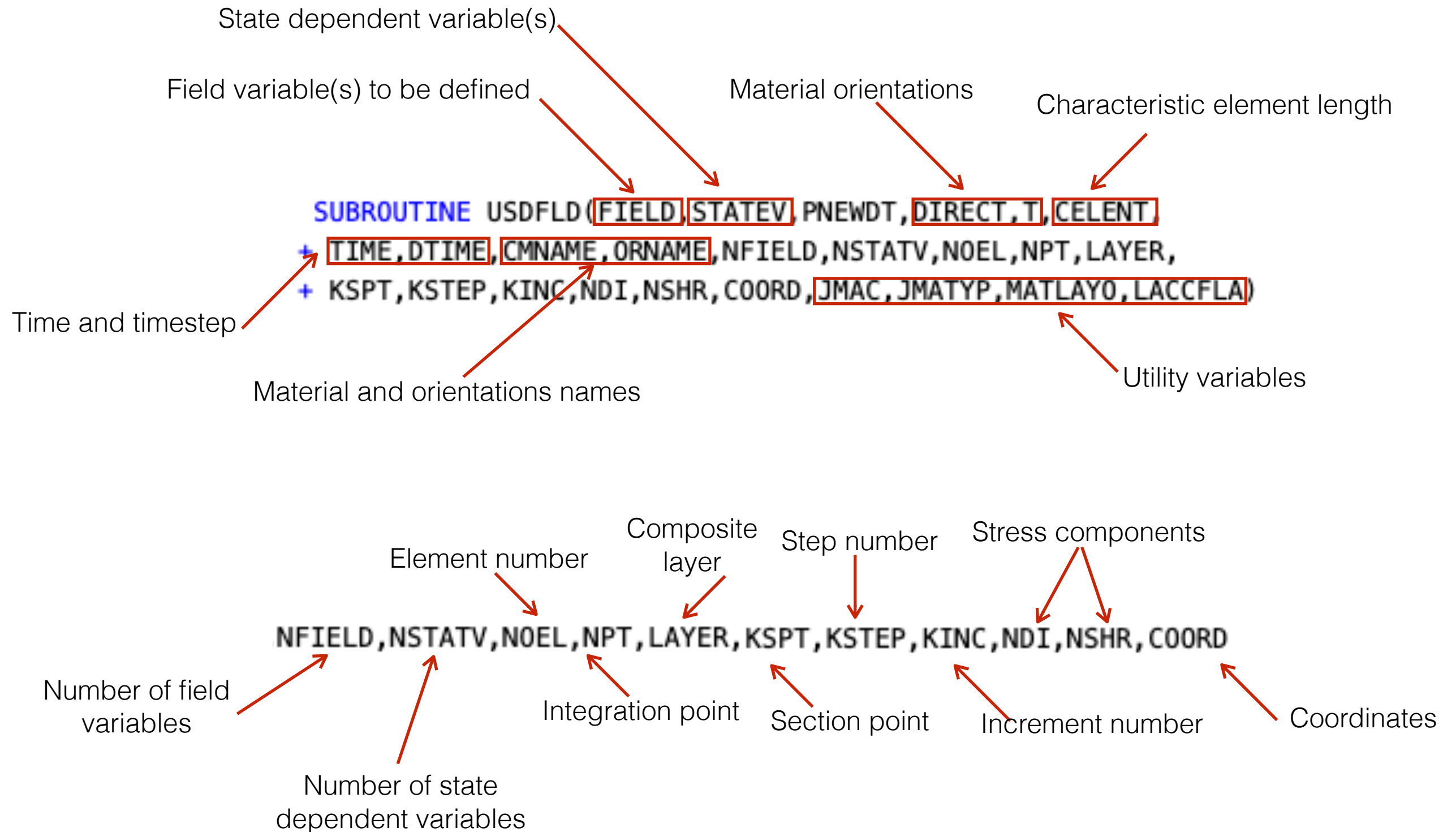
```
77  **-----
78  ** MATERIALS
79  **-----
80  *material,name=EXAMPLE_VUSDLFD_V1
81  *density
82  7.8e-9
83  *elastic,dependencies=1
84  **      E,  NU,  TEMP,      F
85  | 21000.0, 0.3,  0.0, -1.0
86  210000.0, 0.3,  0.0,  1.0
87  *plastic
88  250.0, 0.0
89  350.0, 1.0
90  *User defined field
91  **-----
```

ABAQUS/standard

```
77  **-----
78  ** MATERIALS
79  **-----
80  *material,name=EXAMPLE_USDLFD_V1
81  *elastic,dependencies=1
82  **      E,  NU,  TEMP,      F
83  | 21000.0, 0.3,  0.0, -1.0
84  210000.0, 0.3,  0.0,  1.0
85  *plastic
86  250.0, 0.0
87  350.0, 1.0
88  *User defined field
89  **-----
```

USDFLD subroutine

Description of the arguments for USDFLD:



USDFLD subroutine

Very similar coding to the UVARM subroutine:

```
6      SUBROUTINE USDFLD(FIELD, STATEV, PNEWDT, DIRECT, T, CELENT,  
7      + TIME, DTIME, CMNAME, ORNAME, NFIELD, NSTATV, NOEL, NPT, LAYER,  
8      + KSPT, KSTEP, KINC, NDI, NSHR, COORD, JMAC, JMATYP, MATLAYO, LACCFLA)  
9      INCLUDE 'ABA_PARAM.INC'  
10     !-----  
11     !-----Declaration ABAQUS variables  
12     !-----  
13     CHARACTER*80 CMNAME, ORNAME  
14     DIMENSION FIELD(NFIELD), STATEV(NSTATV), DIRECT(3,3)  
15     DIMENSION T(3,3), TIME(2), COORD(*), JMAC(*), JMATYP(*)  
16     !-----Data from ABAQUS  
17     DIMENSION ARRAY(15), JARRAY(15)  
18     CHARACTER*3 FLGRAY(15)  
19     !-----  
20     !-----Declaration internal variables  
21     !-----  
22     real*8 SIGH, SMISES, TRIAX  
23     !-----  
24     ! Access stress invariants  
25     !-----  
26     CALL GETVRM('SINV', ARRAY, JARRAY, FLGRAY, JRCD,  
27     + JMAC, JMATYP, MATLAYO, LACCFLA)  
28     c  
29     SIGH = ARRAY(3)  
30     SMISES = ARRAY(1)
```

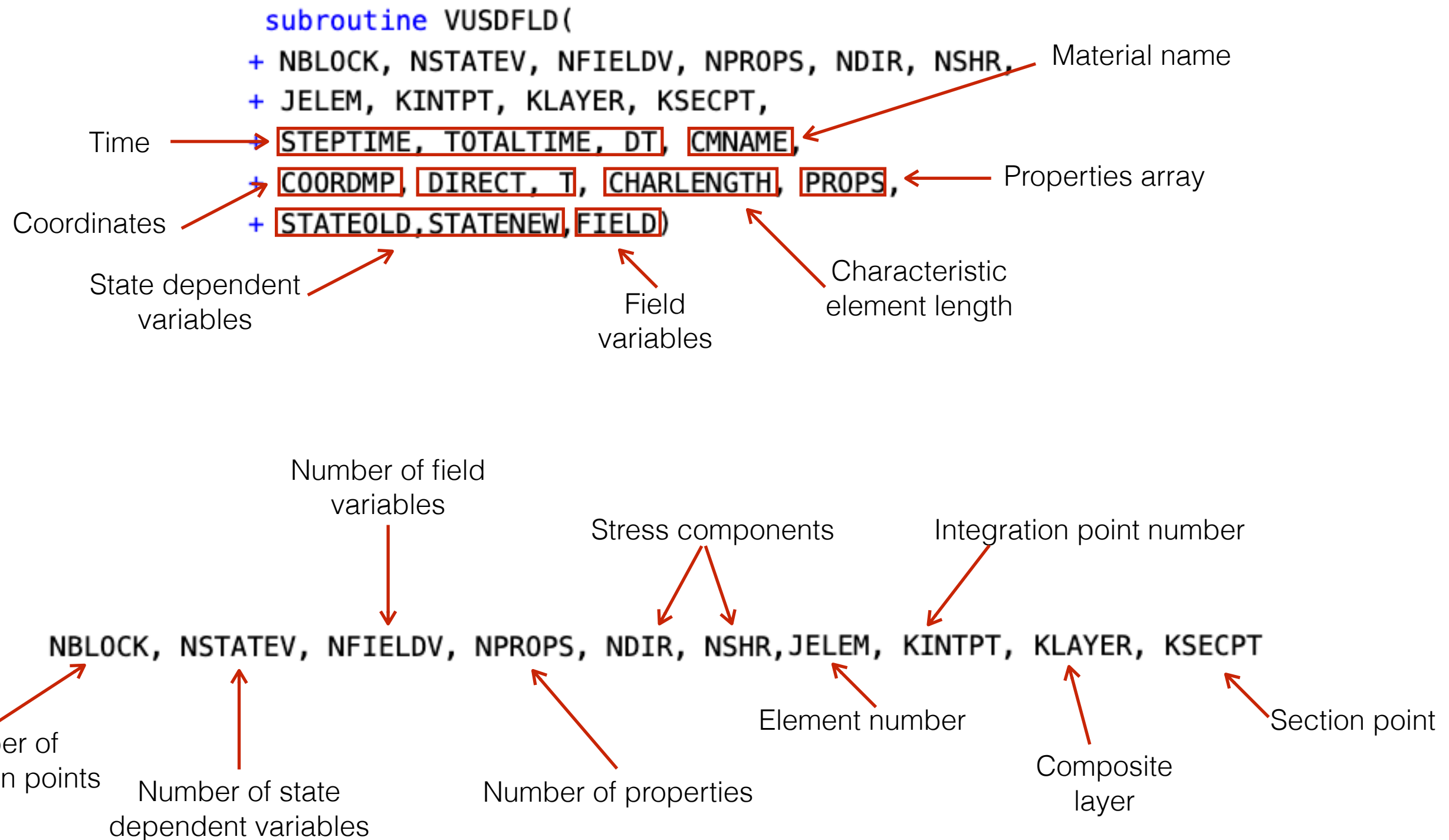
Access to ABAQUS variables

```
31     !-----  
32     ! Compute the stress triaxiality  
33     !-----  
34     if(SMISES.gt.0.0)then  
35         TRIAX = -SIGH/SMISES  
36     else  
37         TRIAX = 0.0  
38     endif  
39     !-----  
40     ! Update field variable  
41     !-----  
42     if(TRIAX.ge.0.0)then  
43         FIELD(1) = 1.05  
44     else  
45         FIELD(1) = -1.05  
46     endif  
47     !-----  
48     ! End of subroutine  
49     !-----  
50     RETURN  
51     END
```

Field variable f

VUSDFLD subroutine

Description of the arguments for VUSDFLD:



VUSDFLD subroutine

```
6  subroutine VUSDFLD(
7    + NBLOCK, NSTATEV, NFIELDV, NPROPS, NDIR, NSHR,
8    + JELEM, KINTPT, KLAYR, KSECPT,
9    + STEPTIME, TOTALTIME, DT, CMNAME,
10   + COORDMP, DIRECT, T, CHARLENGTH, PROPS,
11   + STATEOLD, STATENEW, FIELD)
12   include 'vaba_param.inc'
13   !-----Declaration ABAQUS variables
14   !-----
15   !-----
16   dimension JELEM(nblock),COORDMP(nblock,*),DIRECT(nblock,3,3),
17   .          T(nblock,3,3),CHARLENGTH(nblock),PROPS(nprops),
18   .          STATEOLD(nblock,nstatev),STATENEW(nblock,nstatev),
19   .          FIELD(nblock,nfieldv)
20   character*80 cmname
21   !-----Data from ABAQUS
22   dimension stressdata(maxblk*(ndir+nschr))
23   integer jSData(maxblk*(ndir+nschr))
24   character*3 cSData(maxblk*(ndir+nschr))
25   integer jStatus
26   !-----Declaration internal variables
27   !-----
28   !-----
29   integer i
30   real*8 s(nblock,6)
31   real*8 SMISES(nblock),SIGH(nblock),TRIAx(nblock)
32   !-----
33   ! Access stress tensor
34   !-----
35   call vgetvrm( 'S' , stressdata,jSData,cSData,jStatus)
36   !-----
```

Access to ABAQUS variables

```
36   !-----
37   ! Extract data from stressdata
38   !-----
39   if(nschr.gt.1)then
40     do i=1,nblock
41       s(i,1) = stressdata(i)
42       s(i,2) = stressdata(i+nblock)
43       s(i,3) = stressdata(i+nblock*2)
44       s(i,4) = stressdata(i+nblock*3)
45       s(i,5) = stressdata(i+nblock*4)
46       s(i,6) = stressdata(i+nblock*5)
47     enddo
48   else
49     do i=1,nblock
50       s(i,1) = stressdata(i)
51       s(i,2) = stressdata(i+nblock)
52       s(i,3) = stressdata(i+nblock*2)
53       s(i,4) = stressdata(i+nblock*3)
54     enddo
55   endif
```

Accessing ABAQUS variables

Utility routine VGETVRM:

```
Maximum block size (given)
dimension rdata(maxblk*(nvar))
integer jData(maxblk*(nvar))
character*3 cData(maxblk*(nvar))
integer jStatus

call vgetvrn('VAR', rdata, jData, cData, jStatus)
```

Diagram annotations:

- Maximum block size (given) points to `maxblk` in the `dimension` statement.
- To be defined points to `nvar` in the `dimension` statement.
- Output variable key points to `'VAR'` in the `call` statement.
- Array with values points to `rdata` in the `call` statement.
- Integer array with components points to `jData` in the `call` statement.
- Array with flags points to `cData` in the `call` statement.
- Error code points to `jStatus` in the `call` statement.

- In ABAQUS explicit, there is a limited number of variables which can be accessed but the `vgetvrn` utility subroutine
- The list is given in the documentation of the subroutine

Accessing ABAQUS variables

Utility routine VGETVRM:

Tensor are not stored as matrix but as a long vector:

```
!-----Data from ABAQUS
dimension stressdata(maxblk*(ndir+nshr))
integer jSData(maxblk*(ndir+nshr))
character*3 cSData(maxblk*(ndir+nshr))
integer jStatus

32  !-----
33  !   Access stress tensor
34  !-----
35  |   call vgetvrn( 'S' , stressdata,jSData,cSData,jStatus)
36  !-----
37  !   Extract data from stressdata
38  !-----
39  |   if(nshr.gt.1)then
40  |       do i=1,nblock
41  |           s(i,1) = stressdata(i)
42  |           s(i,2) = stressdata(i+nblock)
43  |           s(i,3) = stressdata(i+nblock*2)
44  |           s(i,4) = stressdata(i+nblock*3)
45  |           s(i,5) = stressdata(i+nblock*4)
46  |           s(i,6) = stressdata(i+nblock*5)
47  |       enddo
48  |   else
49  |       do i=1,nblock
50  |           s(i,1) = stressdata(i)
51  |           s(i,2) = stressdata(i+nblock)
52  |           s(i,3) = stressdata(i+nblock*2)
53  |           s(i,4) = stressdata(i+nblock*3)
54  |       enddo
55  |   endif
```


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Access to ABAQUS variables

```
26 !-----
27 !-----Declaration internal variables
28 !-----
29 integer i
30 real*8 s(nblock,6)
31 real*8 SMISES(nblock),SIGH(nblock),TRIAX(nblock)
32 !-----
33 ! Access stress tensor
34 !-----
35 call vgetvrm( 'S' , stressdata,jSData,cSData,jStatus)
36 !-----
37 ! Extract data from stressdata
38 !-----
39 if(nshr.gt.1)then
40   do i=1,nblock
41     s(i,1) = stressdata(i)
42     s(i,2) = stressdata(i+nblock)
43     s(i,3) = stressdata(i+nblock*2)
44     s(i,4) = stressdata(i+nblock*3)
45     s(i,5) = stressdata(i+nblock*4)
46     s(i,6) = stressdata(i+nblock*5)
47   enddo
48 else
49   do i=1,nblock
50     s(i,1) = stressdata(i)
51     s(i,2) = stressdata(i+nblock)
52     s(i,3) = stressdata(i+nblock*2)
53     s(i,4) = stressdata(i+nblock*3)
54   enddo
55 endif
```

```
56 !-----
57 ! Compute von Mises equivalent stress and hydrostatic stress
58 !-----
59 if(nshr.gt.1)then
60   do i=1,nblock
61     SIGH(i) = (s(i,1)+s(i,2)+s(i,3))/3.0
62     SMISES(i) = sqrt(s(i,1)*s(i,1)+s(i,2)*s(i,2)
63 +               +s(i,3)*s(i,3)
64 +               -s(i,1)*s(i,2)-s(i,2)*s(i,3)
65 +               -s(i,3)*s(i,1)
66 +               +3.0*(s(i,4)*s(i,4)+s(i,5)*s(i,5)
67 +               +s(i,6)*s(i,6)))
68   enddo
69 else
70   do i=1,nblock
71     SIGH(i) = (s(i,1)+s(i,2)+s(i,3))/3.0
72     SMISES(i) = sqrt(s(i,1)*s(i,1)+s(i,2)*s(i,2)
73 +               -s(i,1)*s(i,2)+3.0*s(i,4)*s(i,4))
74   enddo
75 endif
76 !-----
77 ! Compute stress triaxiality
78 !-----
79 do i=1,nblock
80   if(SMISES(i).gt.0.0)then
81     TRIAX(i) = SIGH(i)/SMISES(i)
82   else
83     TRIAX(i) = 0.0
84   endif
85 enddo
86 !-----
87 ! Update field variable
88 !-----
89 do i=1,nblock
90   if(TRIAX(i).ge.0.0)then
91     field(i,1) = 1.05
92   else
93     field(i,1) = -1.05
94   endif
95 enddo
96 !-----
97 ! End of subroutine
98 !-----
99 return
100 end
```

Field variable f

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Odb file structure:

Field variable f



Field Output

Step/Frame
Step: 1, load
Frame: 100

Primary Variable | Deformed Variable | Symbol Variable | Status Variable | Stream Variable

Output Variable

☐ List only variables with results:

Name	Description (* indicates complex)
FV1	Predefined field variables at integration points
PEEQ	Equivalent plastic strain at integration points
S	Stress components at integration points
U	Spatial displacement at nodes

Invariant

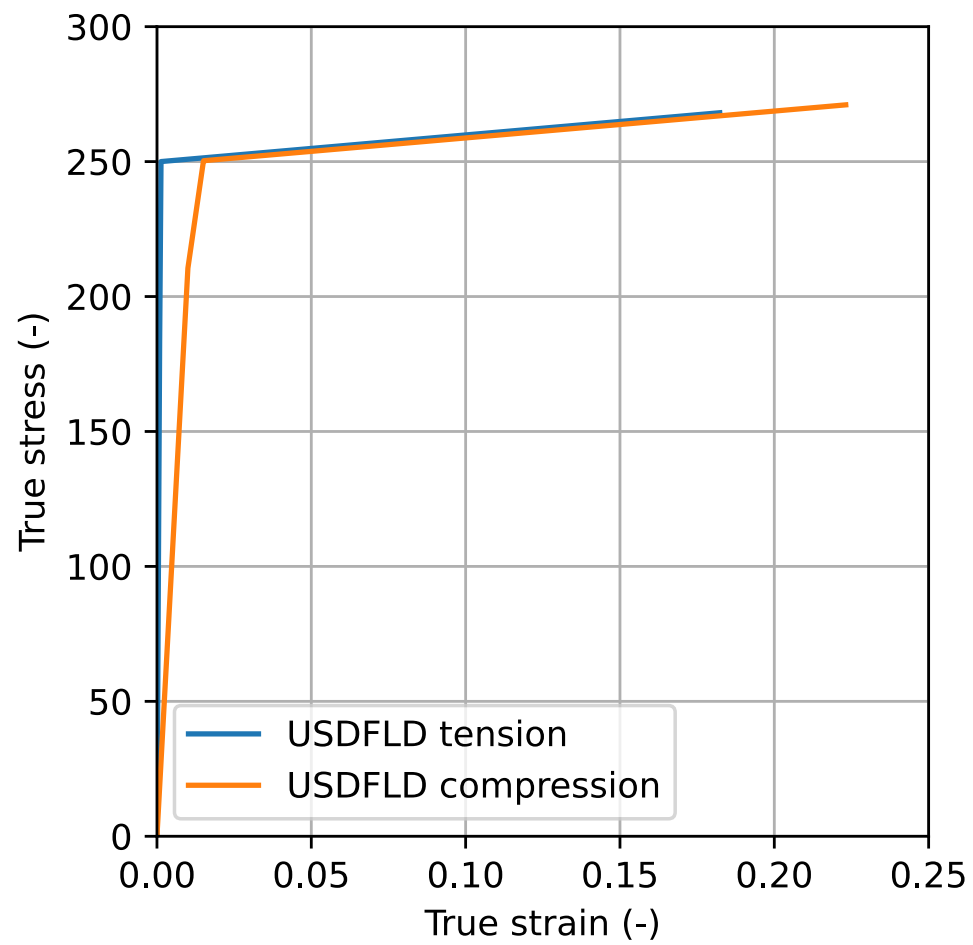
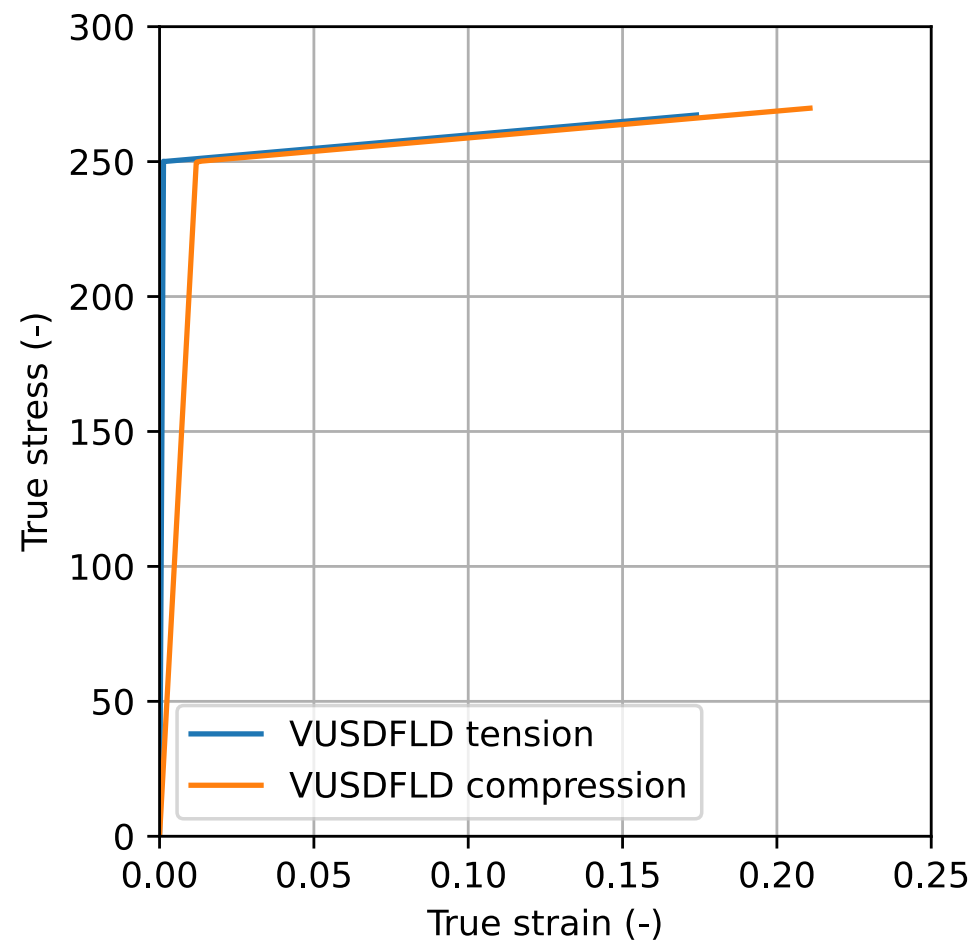
Component

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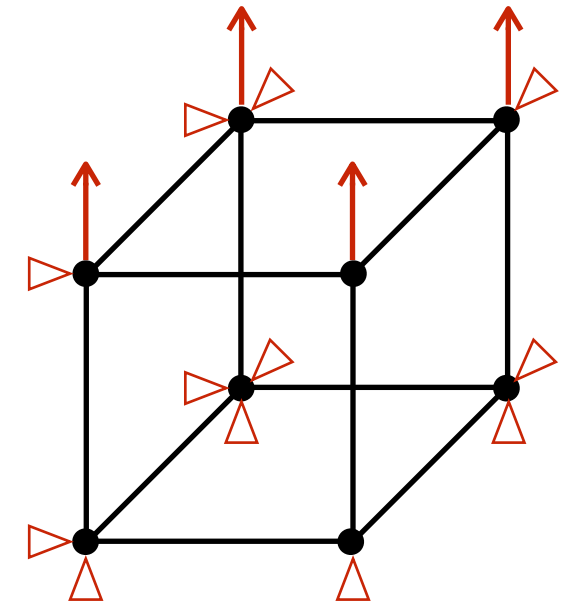
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(V)USDFLD subroutine

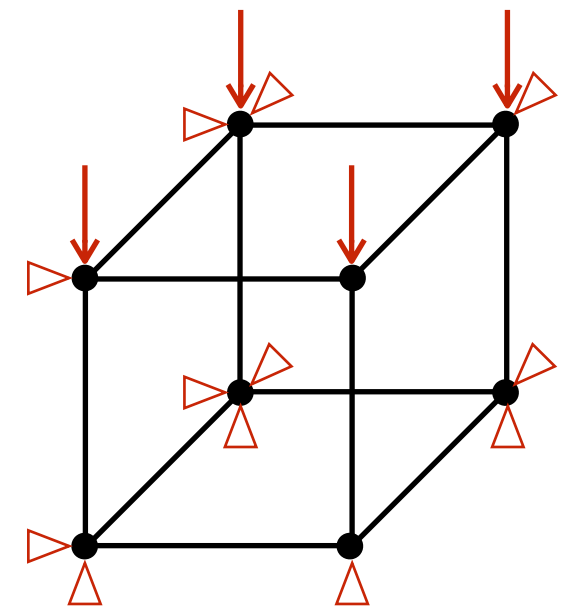
Results from the USDFLD_V1 and VUSDFLD_V1 subroutines



Single solid element
in uniaxial tension



Single solid element in
uniaxial compression



(V)USDFLD subroutine

ABAQUS/standard

Overview

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State dependent variables

ABAQUS/explicit

Overview

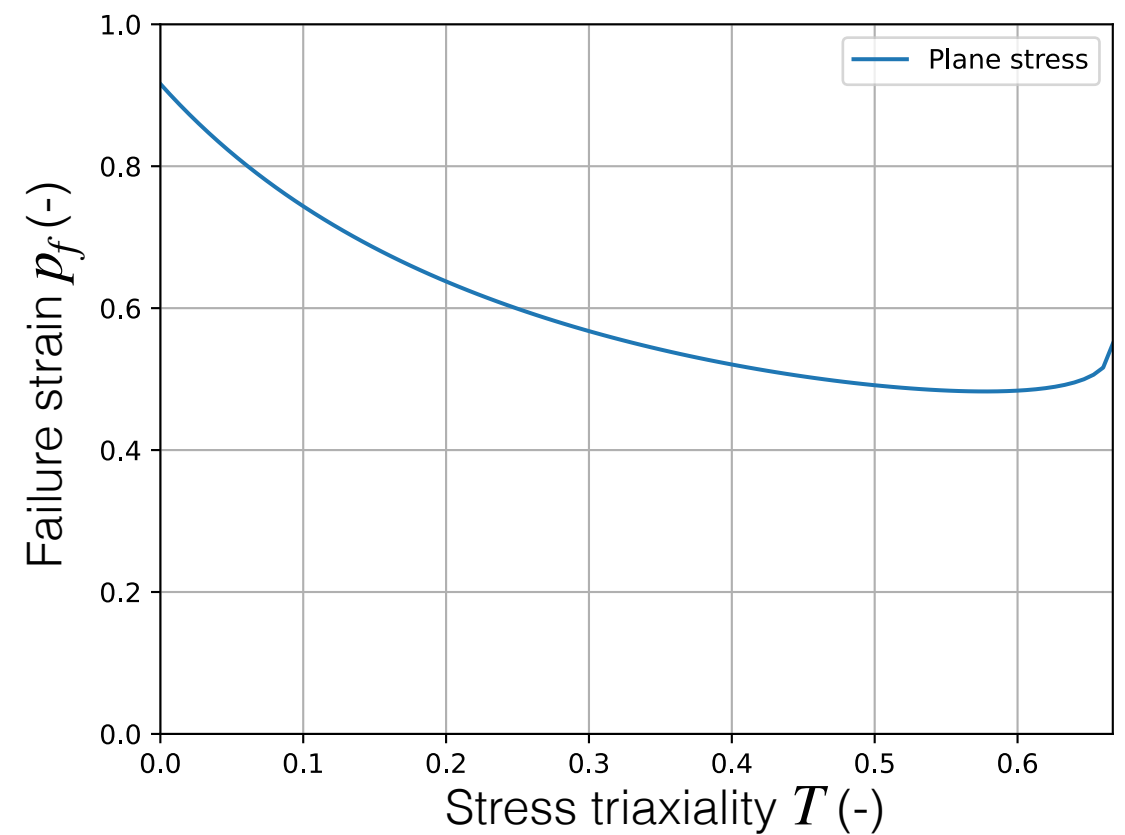
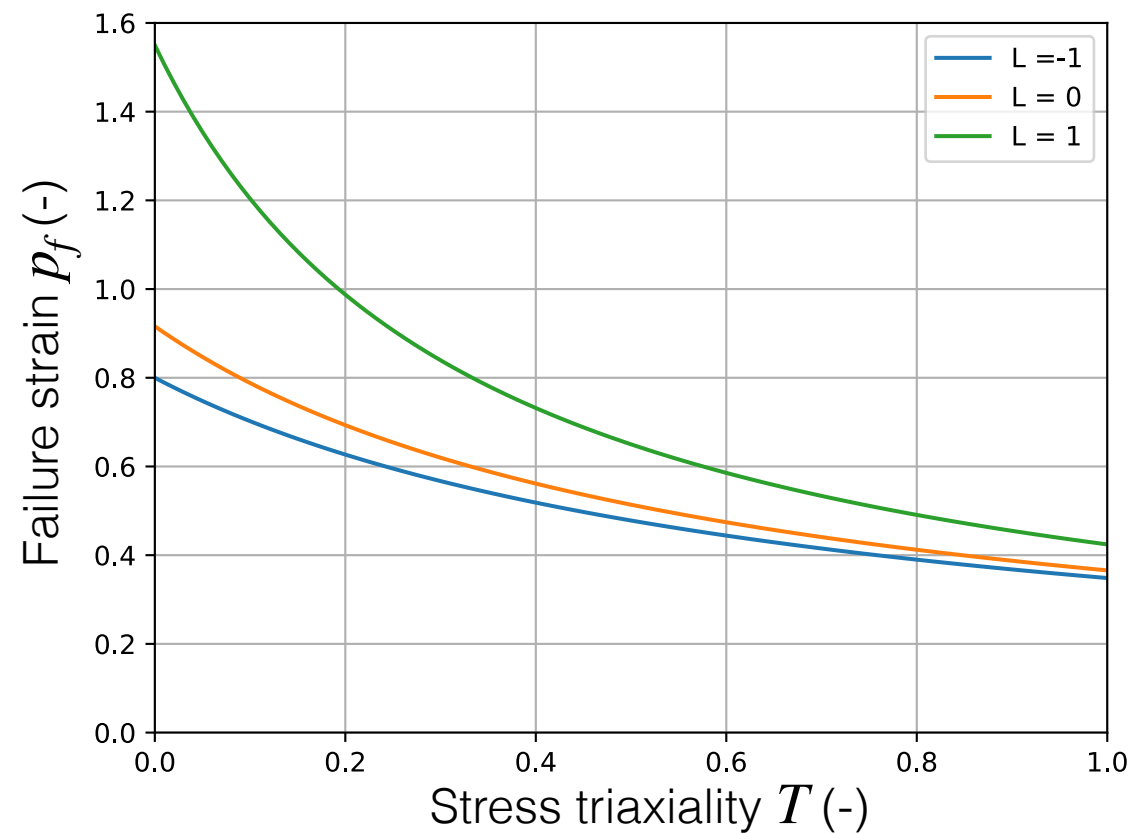
User subroutine **VUSDFLD**:

- allows the redefinition of field variables at a material point as functions of time or of any of the available material point quantities listed in “Available output variable keys” in “Obtaining material point information in an Abaqus/Explicit analysis,” Section 2.1.7;
- can be used to introduce solution-dependent material properties since such properties can be easily defined as functions of field variables;
- will be called at all material points of elements for which the material definition includes user-defined field variables;
- can call utility routine **VGETVRM** to access material point data; and
- can use and update solution-dependent state variables.

(V)USDFLD subroutine

In this example, we want to add a user-defined fracture model to a built-in plasticity model from ABAQUS.

Cockcroft-Latham criterion:
$$D = \int_0^{p_f} \frac{\langle \sigma_1 \rangle}{W_c} \dot{p} \leq 1$$



(V)USDFLD subroutine

Cockcroft-Latham criterion:

$$D = \int_0^{p_f} \frac{\langle \sigma_1 \rangle}{W_c} \dot{p} \leq 1$$

Call to the VUSDFLD subroutine

W_c

State dependent variables

```
**-----  
** MATERIALS  
**-----  
*material,name=EXAMPLE_VUSDFLD_V2  
*density  
7.8e-9  
*elastic  
210000.0, 0.3  
*plastic  
250.0, 0.0  
350.0, 1.0  
*User defined field, properties=1  
100.0  
*Depvar, delete=3  
3,  
1,PEEQ,'Equivalent plastic strain'  
2,D,'Damage variable'  
3,STATUS,'Failure status'  
**-----
```

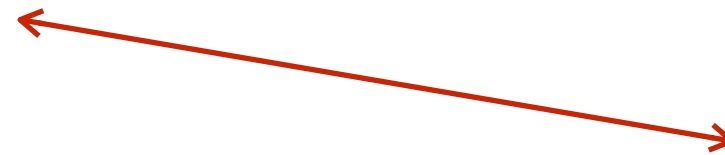
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ABAQUS/standard

```
**-----  
** MATERIALS  
**-----  
*material,name=EXAMPLE_VUSDLFD_V2  
*elastic  
210000.0, 0.3  
*plastic  
250.0, 0.0  
350.0, 1.0  
*User defined field  
*Depvar, delete=3  
3,  
1,PEEQ,'Equivalent plastic strain'  
2,D,'Damage variable'  
3,STATUS,'Failure status'  
**-----
```

ABAQUS/explicit

```
**-----  
** MATERIALS  
**-----  
*material,name=EXAMPLE_VUSDLFD_V2  
*density  
7.8e-9  
*elastic  
210000.0, 0.3  
*plastic  
250.0, 0.0  
350.0, 1.0  
*User defined field, properties=1  
100.0  
*Depvar, delete=3  
3,  
1,PEEQ,'Equivalent plastic strain'  
2,D,'Damage variable'  
3,STATUS,'Failure status'  
**-----
```




Properties can not be given to the ABAQUS/standard USDFLD subroutine

(V)USDFLD subroutine

ABAQUS/standard

```
**-----  
** MATERIALS  
**-----  
*material, name=EXAMPLE_VUSDFLD_V2  
*elastic  
210000.0, 0.3  
*plastic  
250.0, 0.0  
350.0, 1.0  
*User defined field  
*Depvar, delete=3  
3,  
1, PEEQ, 'Equivalent plastic strain'  
2, D, 'Damage variable'  
3, STATUS, 'Failure status'  
**-----
```

```
**-----  
** STEP  
**-----  
*Step, name=LOADING, nlgeom=YES, inc=1000  
*Static  
0.001, 1., 1e-06, 0.01  
*FIELD  
**-----
```



The *FIELD keyword must be present in ABAQUS/Standard to activate the USDFLD subroutine

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State Dependent Variables (SDV):

Trigger element elimination according to SDV 3

```
*Depvar, delete=3
```

Total number of variables → 3,

Variable number → 2, D, "Damage variable" ← Variable definition

Variable identifier → 3, STATUS, "Failure status"

**-----

(V)USDFLD subroutine

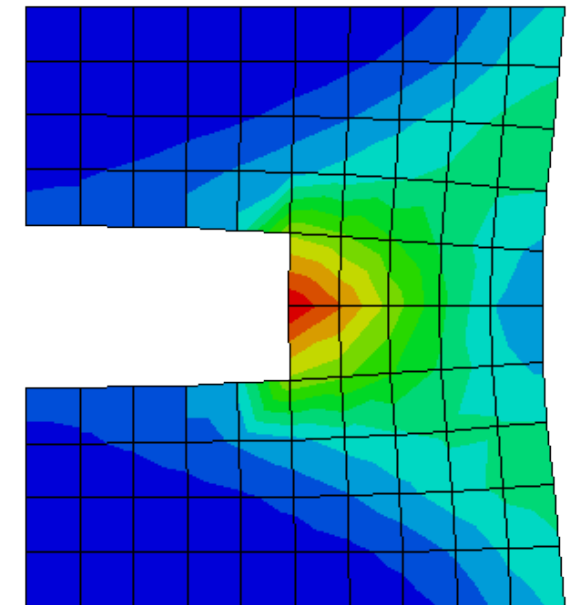
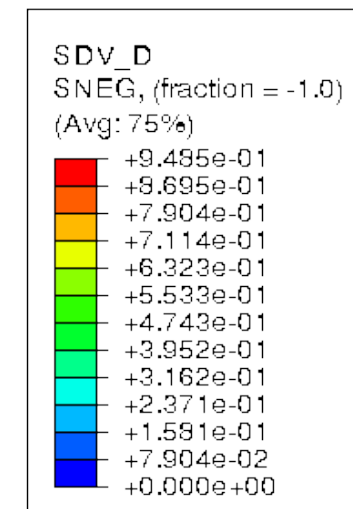
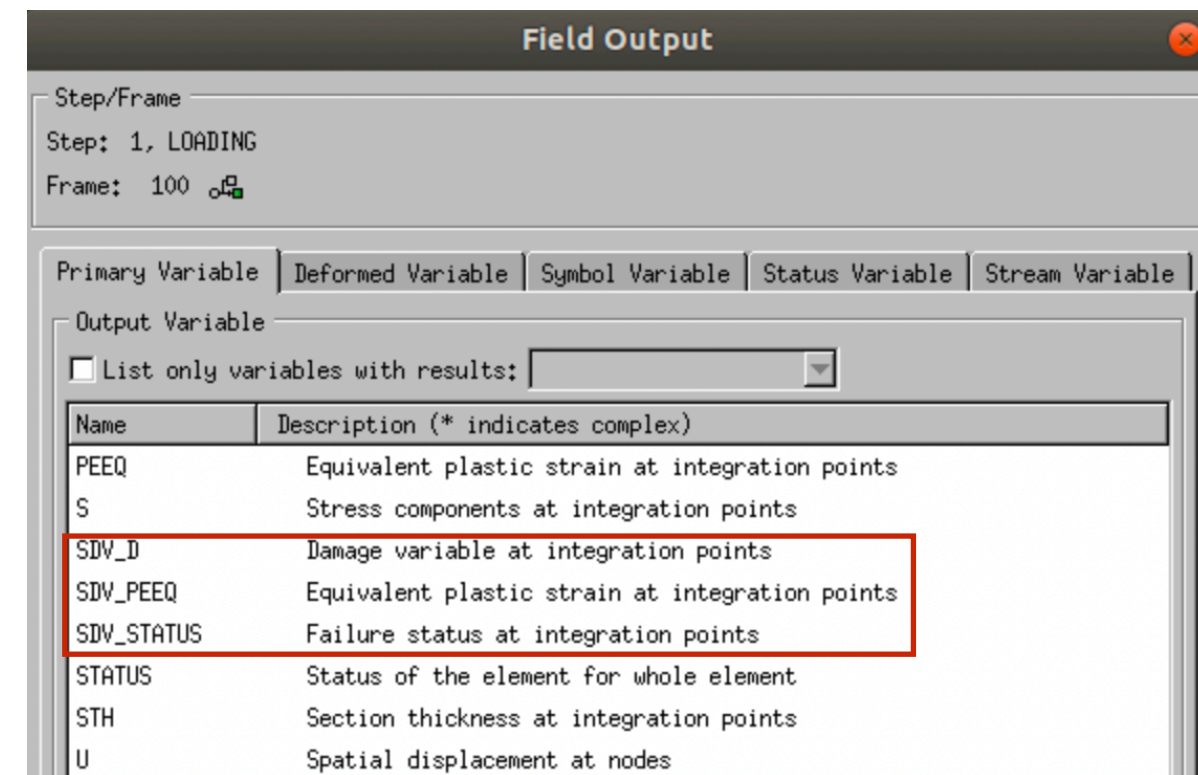
Input file structure:

```
**-----  
** FIELD OUTPUT  
**-----  
*Output, field, number interval=100, time marks=YES  
*Element Output, directions=YES  
PEEQ, S, SDV, STATUS  
*Node Output  
U
```

State dependent
variables

Status for element
elimination (from odb file)

Odb file structure:



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ABAQUS/standard

ABAQUS/explicit

Status = 0 means inactive (failed) integration point

```
63  !-----
64  !   Check for fracture
65  !-----
66  if(damage.ge.1.0)then
67  |   STATEV(3) = 0.0
68  else
69  |   STATEV(3) = 1.0
70  endif
71  !-----
```

```
101 !-----
102 !   Check for fracture
103 !-----
104 do i=1,nblock
105 |   if(damage(i).ge.1.0)then
106 |   |   stateNew(i,3) = 0.0
107 |   else
108 |   |   stateNew(i,3) = 1.0
109 |   endif
110 |   enddo
```

Status = 1 means active integration point

(V)USDFLD subroutine

Variables at t when
USDFLD is called

Variables at $t + \Delta t$ to
be updated in USDFLD

ABAQUS/standard

```
SUBROUTINE USDFLD(FIELD, STATEV, PNEWDT, DIRECT, T, CELENT,  
+ TIME, DTIME, CMNAME, ORNAME, NFIELD, NSTATV, NOEL, NPT, LAYER,  
+ KSPT, KSTEP, KINC, NDI, NSHR, COORD, JMAC, JMATYP, MATLAYO, LACCFLA)
```

ABAQUS/explicit

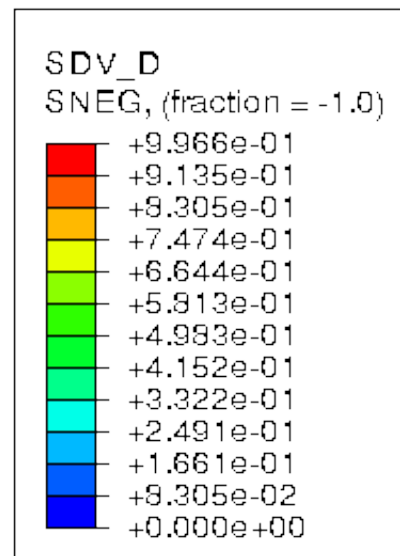
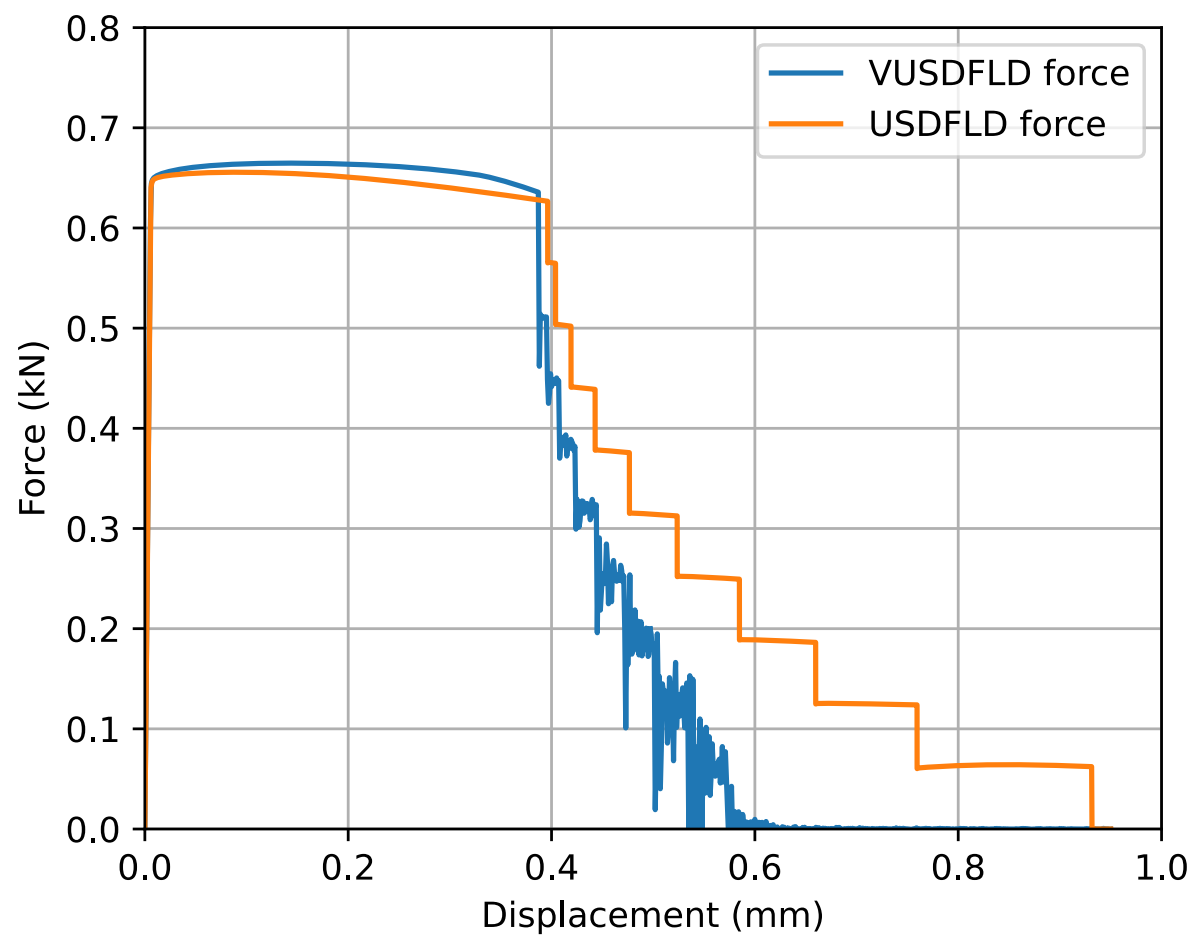
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subroutine VUSDFLD(  
+ NBLOCK, NSTATEV, NFIELDV, NPROPS, NDIR, NSHR,  
+ JELEM, KINTPT, KLAYE, KSECPT,  
+ STEPTIME, TOTALTIME, DT, CMNAME,  
+ COORDMP, DIRECT, T, CHARLENGTH, PROPS,  
+ STATEOLD, STATENEW, FIELD)
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Variables at t

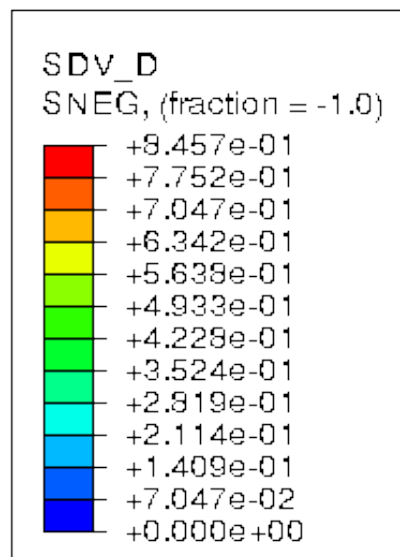
Variables at $t + \Delta t$
to be updated

(V)USDFLD subroutine

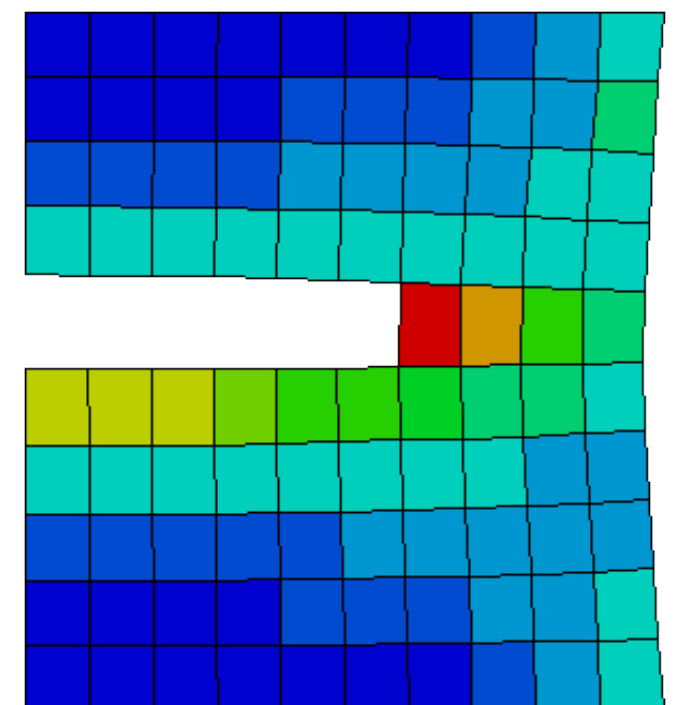
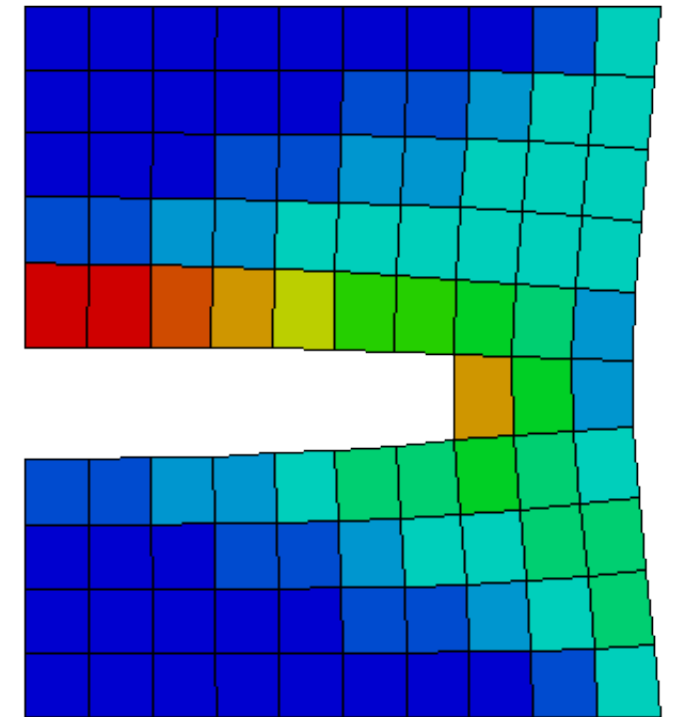
Results from the USDFLD_V2 and
VUSDFLD_V2 subroutines



VUSDFLD_V2



USDFLD_V2



(V)USDFLD subroutine

These are quite flexible subroutine which can be used for various applications.



- One limitation for the USDFLD subroutine is that we can not input properties and must therefore “hard-code” them.
- The update of SDVs will be explicit (i.e. updated with previous time-step data) this can lead to strong time-step dependency.
- In ABAQUS/explicit there is a limited number of variables which can be accessed through the vgetvrm utility subroutine.