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FOUNDED

1988

EXPERTS

35+

TURNOVER

3.0M€

PROJECTS

100/a



DESIGN WITH QUALITY



QUALITY

We are proud of our design quality

Continuous improvement for our knowledge and tools.



CUSTOMERS

We care about our customers.

We have a long experience from various fields of industry.



TOOLS

We use the best tool for each job.



PEOPLE

We have a good feeling around our people. The company culture is strong and supporting.

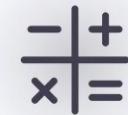
We have more than 35 experts.



WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES



MECHANICAL DESIGN



TECHNICAL CALCULATIONS



PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT



MACHINE SAFETY



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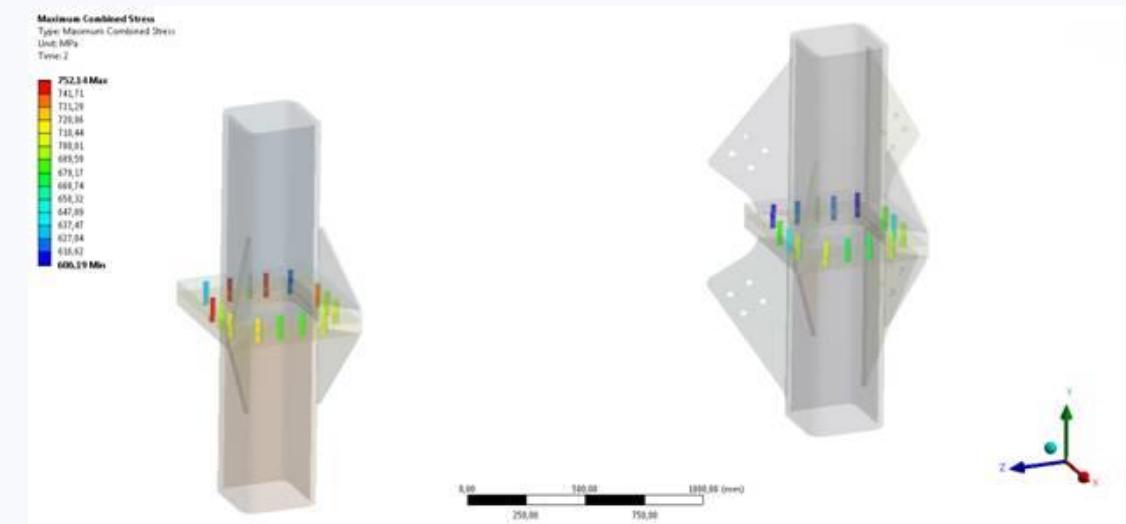
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AGENDA

- History
- Theory
- How?
- Where?
- Cases

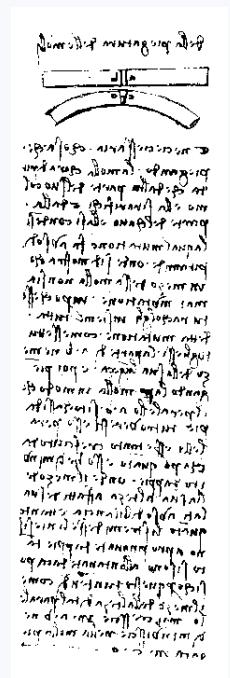


FINITE ELEMENT METHOD



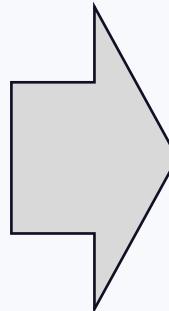
INTRODUCTION

- Mathematical representation of nature
- Leads to differential/integral equations
- Usually hard to solve analytically
- Achieve "Good enough" answer



FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS

- Elastic problems
- Thermal problems
- Fluid flow
- Electrostatics
- Etc



- Governing equation

$$L(\phi) + f = 0$$

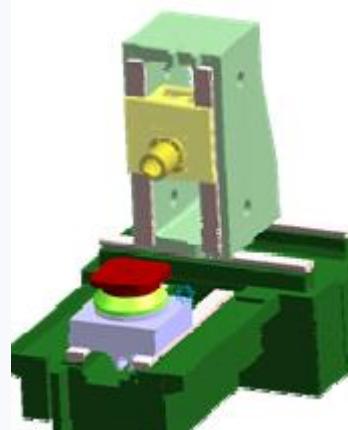
- Boundary conditions

$$B(\phi) + g = 0$$



IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

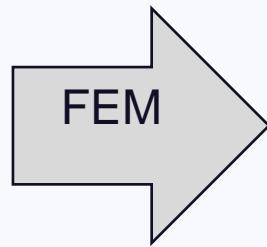
Machining
center:
Mechanical/
thermal loads



Set of simultaneous
equations

Governing
Equation: $L(\phi) + f = 0$

Boundary
Conditions: $B(\phi) + g = 0$



$$[K]\{u\} = \{F\}$$



FEM “FORMULA”

$$[\mathbf{K}] \{\mathbf{u}\} = \{\mathbf{F}\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \{\mathbf{u}\} = [\mathbf{K}]^{-1} \{\mathbf{F}\}$$

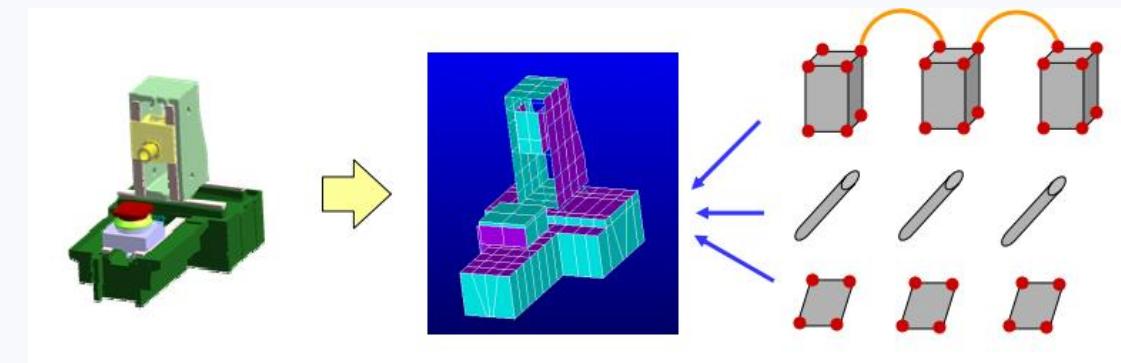
Property Behavior Action

	Property, K	Behaviour, u	Action, F
Elastic	Stiffness	Displacement	Force
Thermal	Conductivity	Temperature	Heat source
Fluid	Viscosity	Velocity	Body force
Electrostatic	Diaelectric permittivity	Electric potential	Charge



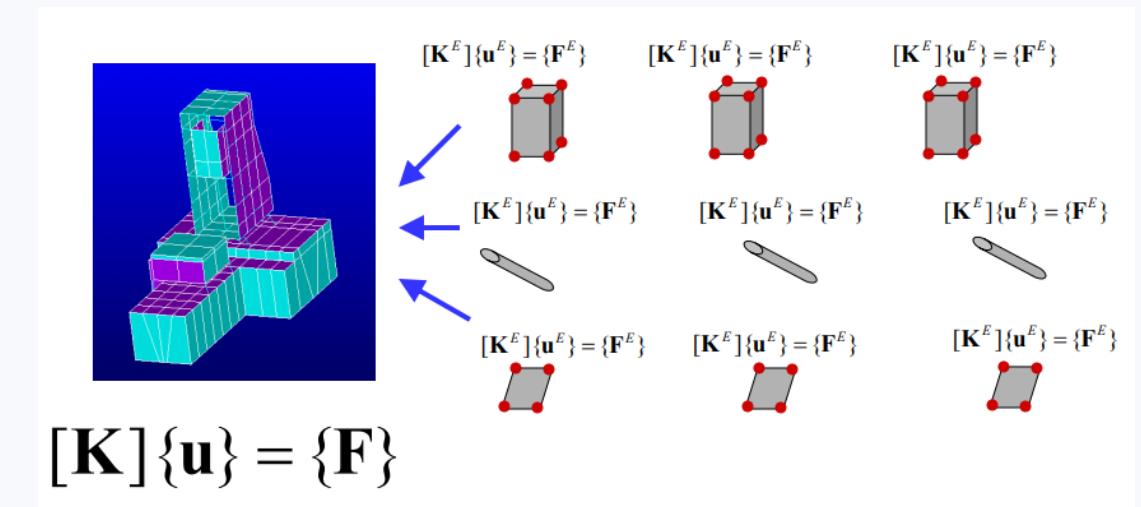
FINITE ELEMENT

- Cannot make algebraic equations over the domain
- Split the domain to finite pieces
- Polynomial equations along element
- Connect adjacent elements by nodes

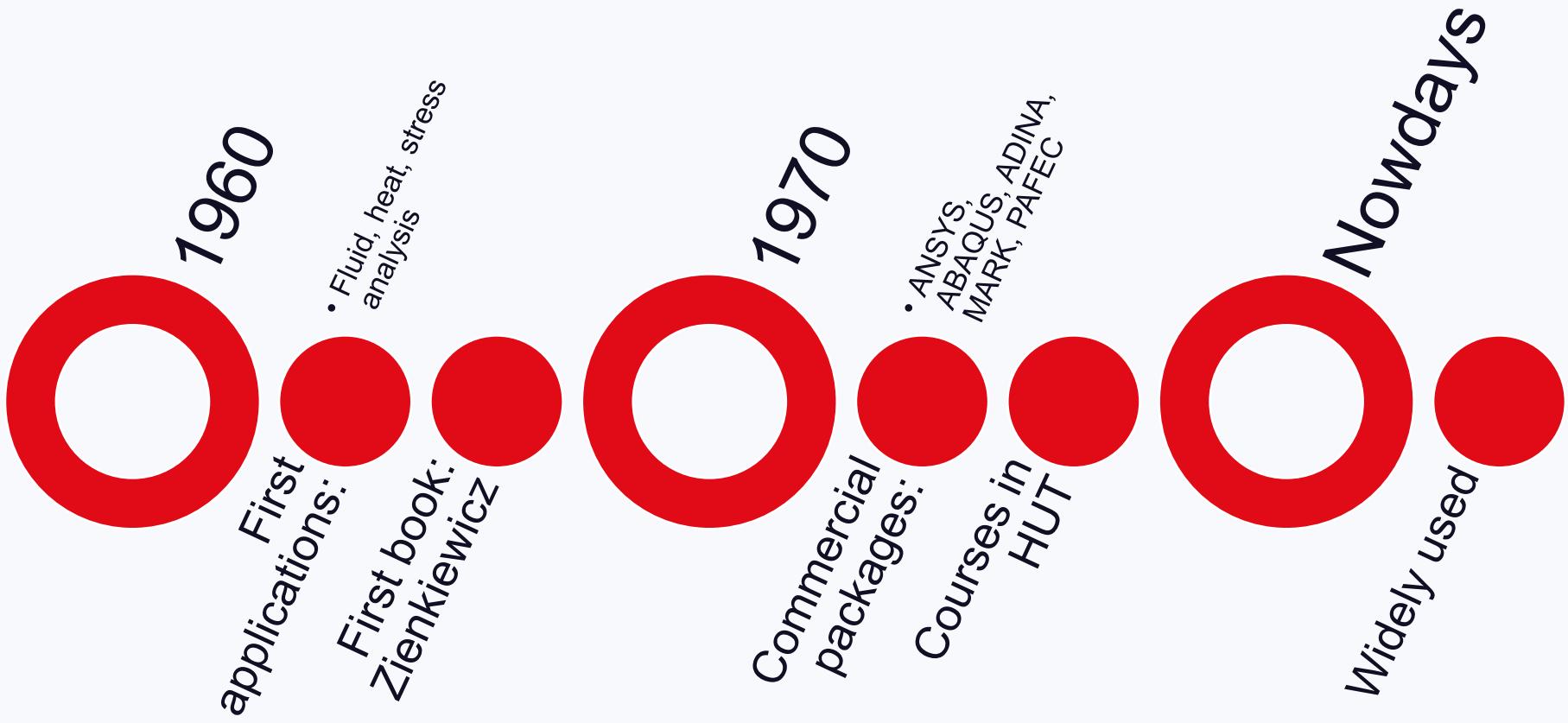


MORE FINITE ELEMENTS

- Form equations for each element (easy!)
- Assemble
- Solve



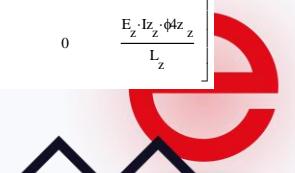
HISTORIC MILESTONES



NUMBERS

- In 1960: 100 beam elements (=300 dof)
- In 2000: ~10 000 shell elements (=60 000 dof)
- In 2010: ~400 000 solid elements (=1,6M dof)
- In 2020: ~3M solid elements (=12M dof)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{A_z \cdot E_z}{L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{A_z \cdot E_z}{L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{lz_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{lz_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{ly_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{ly_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot J_z}{2(v_z + 1) \cdot L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot J_z}{2(v_z + 1) \cdot L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{4y_z}}{L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{3y_z}}{L_z} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{4z_z}}{L_z} & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{3z_z}}{L_z} \\ -\frac{A_z \cdot E_z}{L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{A_z \cdot E_z}{L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{lz_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{lz_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{ly_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{ly_z}}{(L_z)^3} & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot J_z}{2(v_z + 1) \cdot L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot J_z}{2(v_z + 1) \cdot L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{3y_z}}{L_z} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{2y_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{y_z} \cdot \phi_{4y_z}}{L_z} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{3z_z}}{L_z} & 0 & -\frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{2z_z}}{(L_z)^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E_z \cdot I_{z_z} \cdot \phi_{4z_z}}{L_z} \end{bmatrix}$$



SHORT THEORY



STIFFNESS MATRIX

- System:

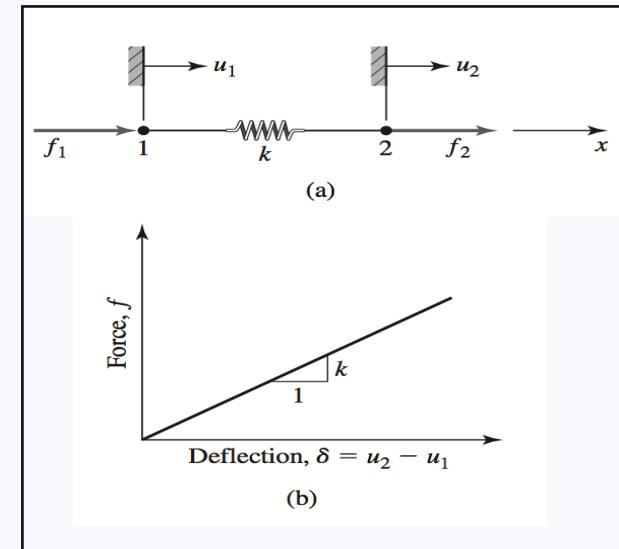
$$\begin{bmatrix} k & -k \\ -k & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

- Single element

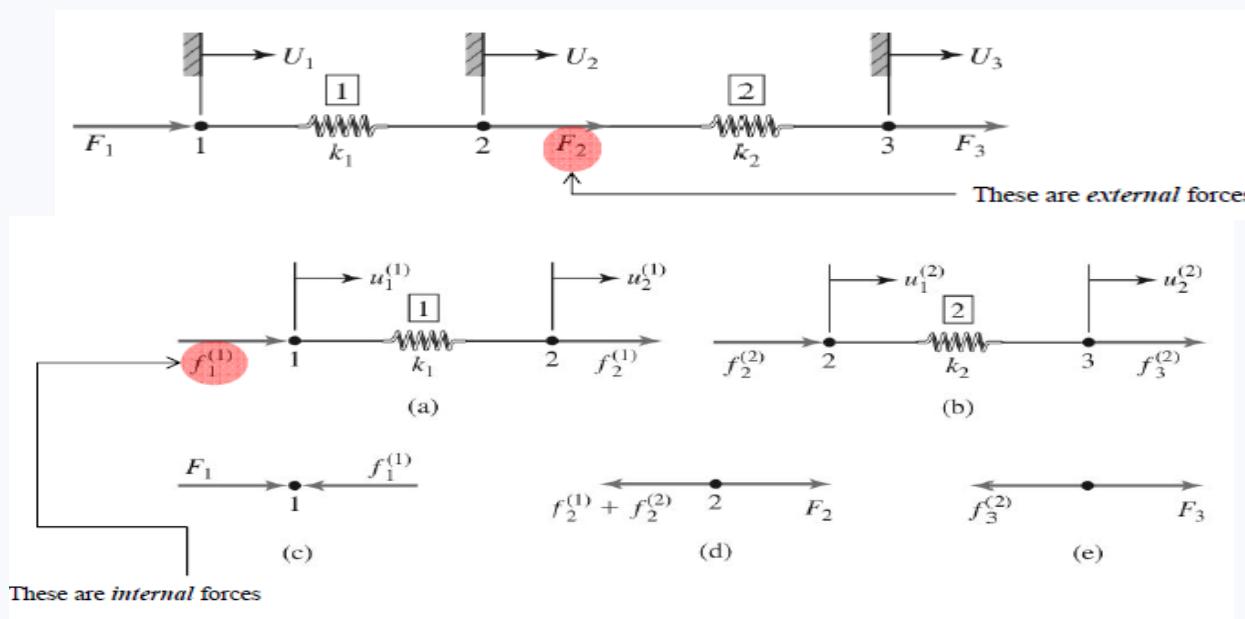
$$[k_e] = \begin{bmatrix} k & -k \\ -k & k \end{bmatrix}$$

- Formula

$$\{F\} = [K] \{X\}$$



SYSTEM OF TWO ELEMENTS



SYSTEM OF TWO ELEMENTS

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_1 & -k_1 \\ -k_1 & k_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1^{(1)} \\ u_2^{(1)} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} f_1^{(1)} \\ f_2^{(1)} \end{Bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1^{(2)} \\ u_2^{(2)} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} f_2^{(2)} \\ f_3^{(2)} \end{Bmatrix}$$

Superscript refers to element

Boundary conditions

$$u_1^{(1)} = U_1 \quad u_2^{(1)} = U_2 \quad u_1^{(2)} = U_2 \quad u_2^{(2)} = U_3$$



SYSTEM OF TWO ELEMENTS

Element matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_1 & -k_1 \\ -k_1 & k_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} f_1^{(1)} \\ f_2^{(1)} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_2 \\ U_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} f_2^{(2)} \\ f_3^{(2)} \end{Bmatrix}$$

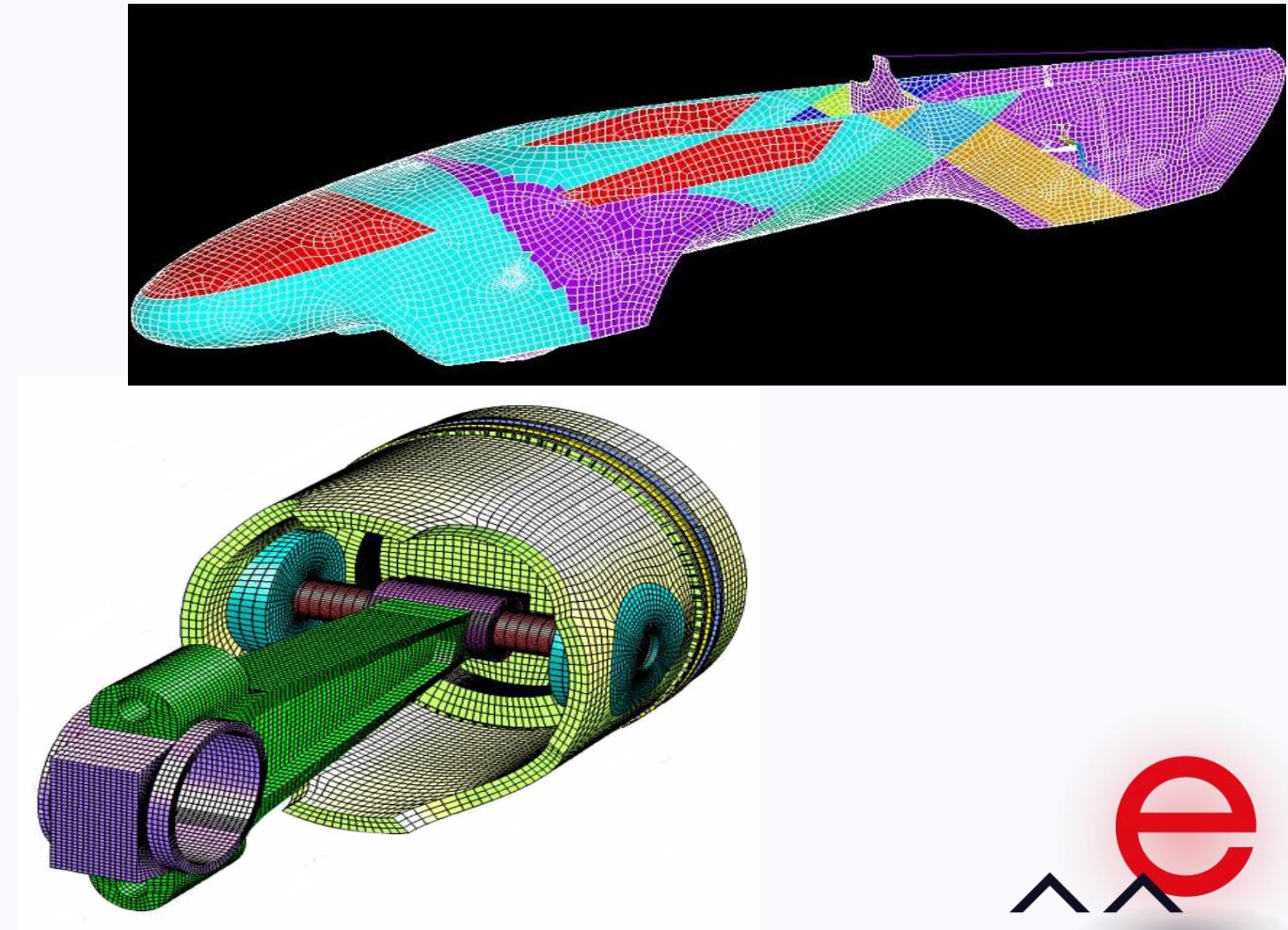
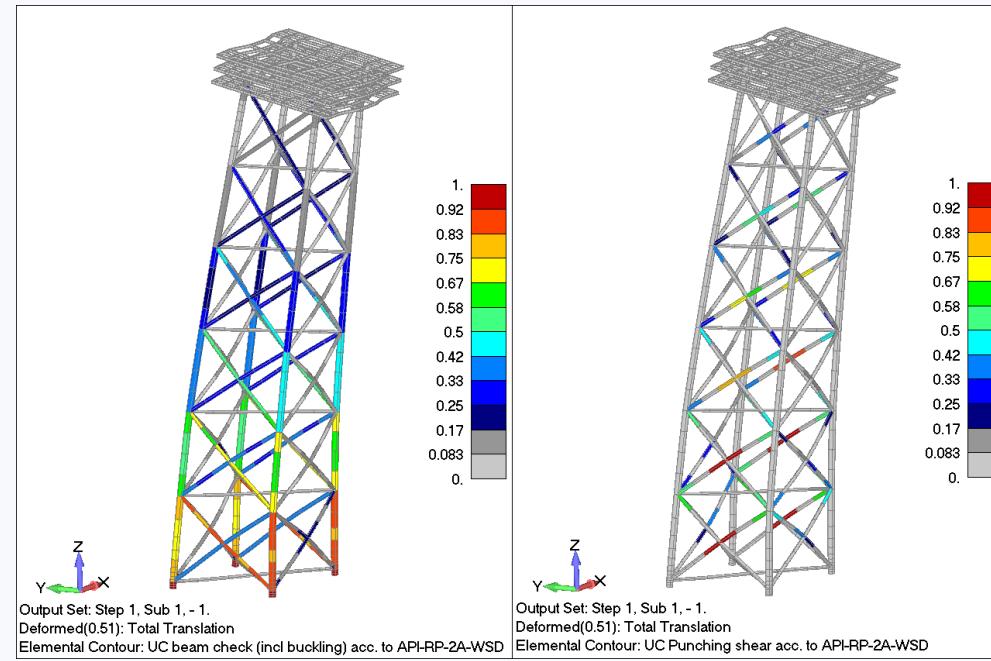
System matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_1 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ 0 & -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \\ U_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} f_1^{(1)} \\ f_2^{(1)} + f_2^{(2)} \\ f_3^{(2)} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\{\mathbf{F}\} = [\mathbf{K}] \{\mathbf{X}\}$$

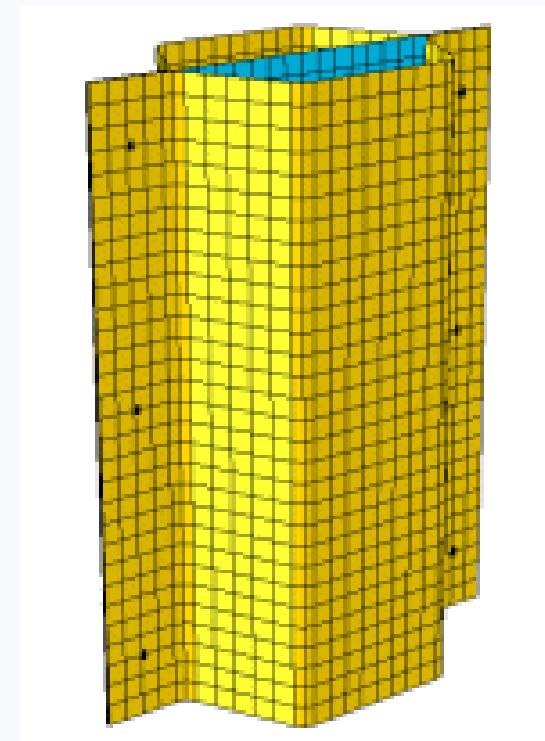


ELEMENT TYPES



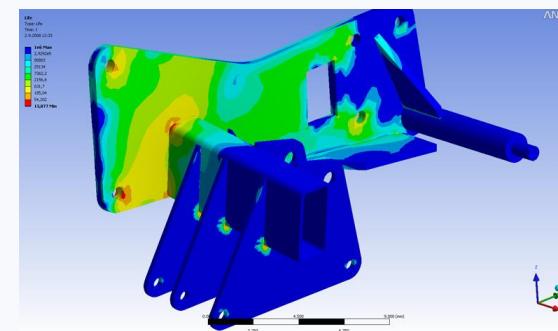
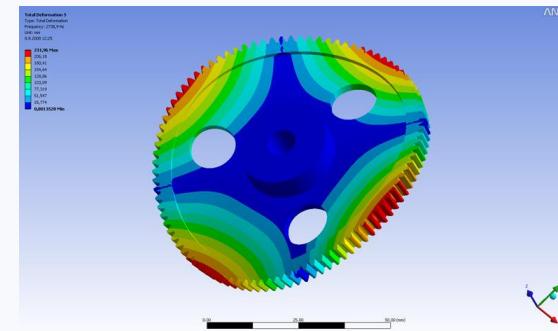
USAGE SCENARIOS

- Structures
- Heat
- Fluids
- Magnetics
- Sound/noise
- Coupled physics

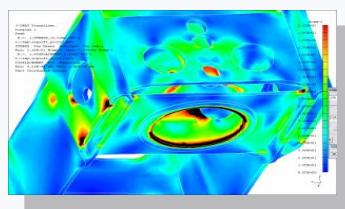


FEM IN PRACTCE

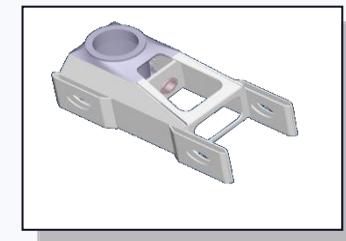
- Predict product's behaviour in real life using mathematical models.
- Achieve engineering results (stresses, displacements etc)
- Numerical approximation



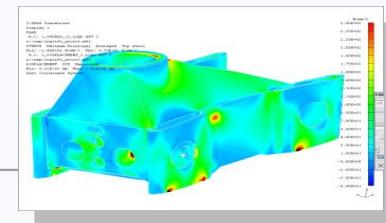
PROCESS



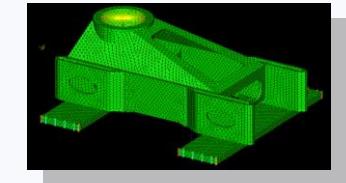
Results



Geometry



Solver



FE model



TOOLS



Abaqus



LS-dyna

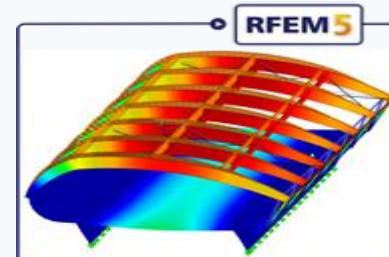


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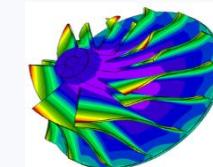
NX for Simulation

Nastran



Elmer

Calculix



FreeFem++

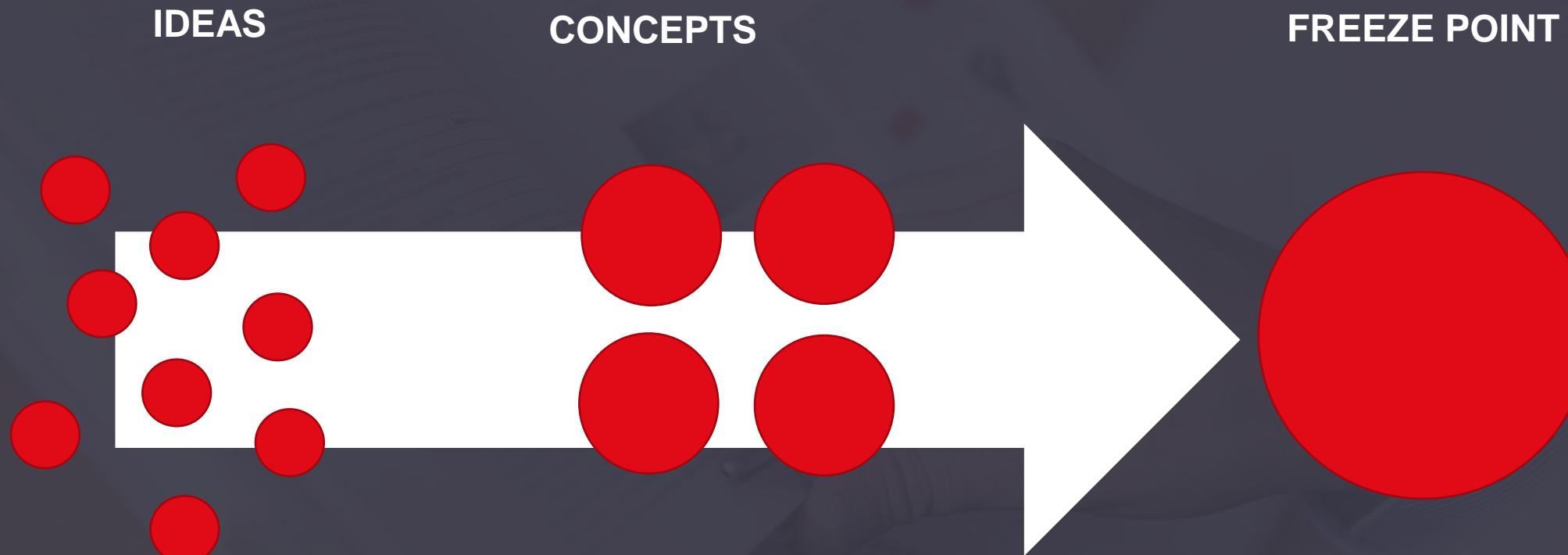


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ROLES IN R&D



CONCEPT DESIGN



“BRING HARD FACTS TO CONCEPT EVALUATION”



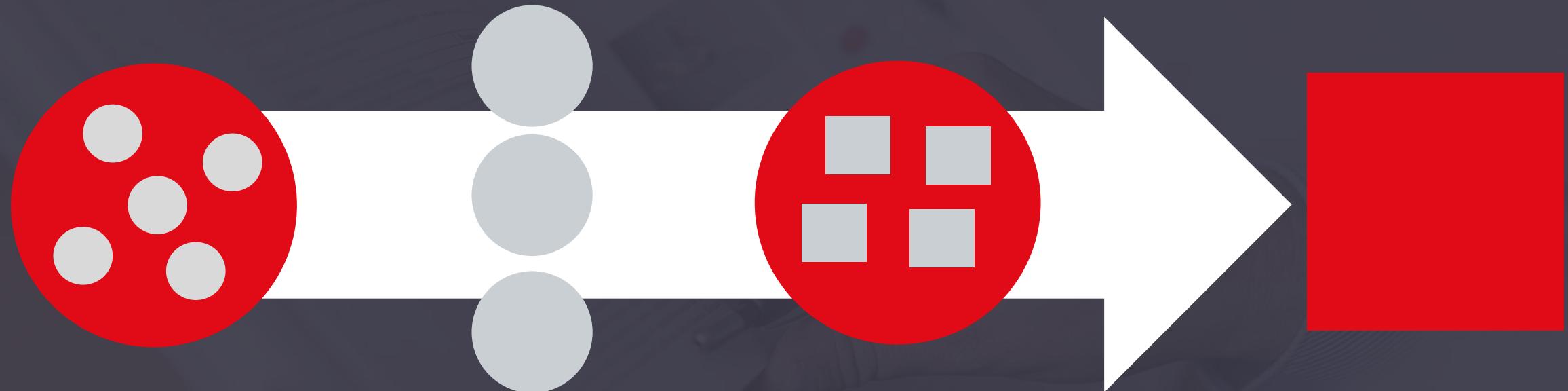
PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

SIMULATE

OPTIMIZE

EVALUATE

VERIFY



“VIRTUAL PROTOTYPES, VIBRATIONS.”

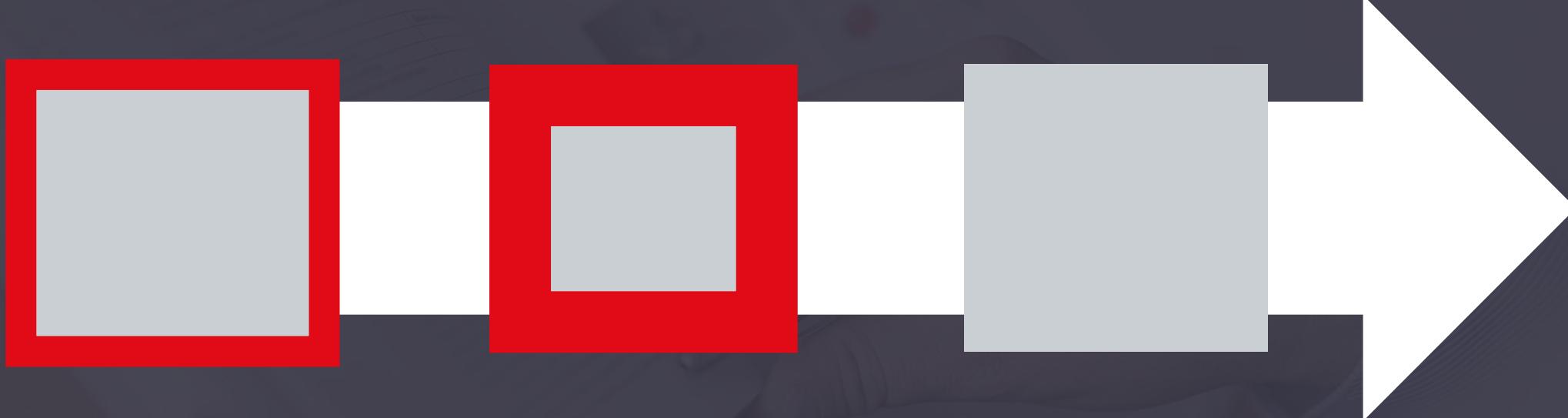


PRODUCT LAUNCH

SIMULATION FOR
MANUFACTURING

VERIFICATION
DOCUMENTS

PRODUCT SUPPORT



STANDARDS, VERIFICATION



SPECIAL SERVICES

- Study of the failed structures.
- Vibration analysis.
- Mechanical testing.
- Thermal analysis and testing.
- Electronics analysis and testing.

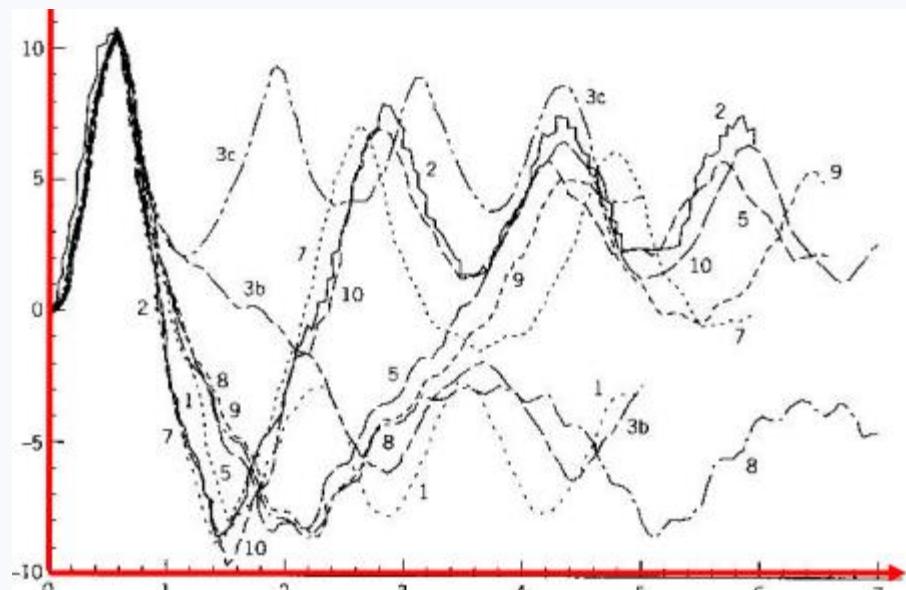
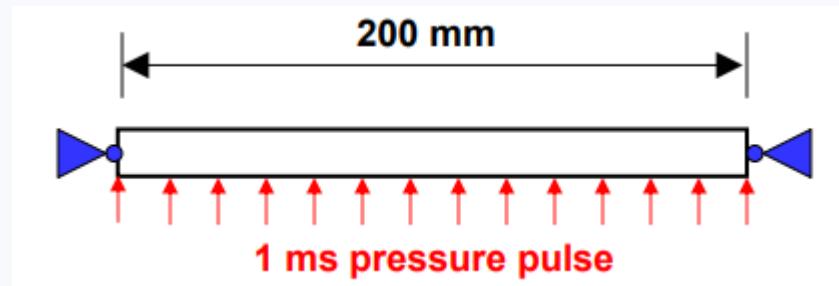


ERRORS AND PITFALLS



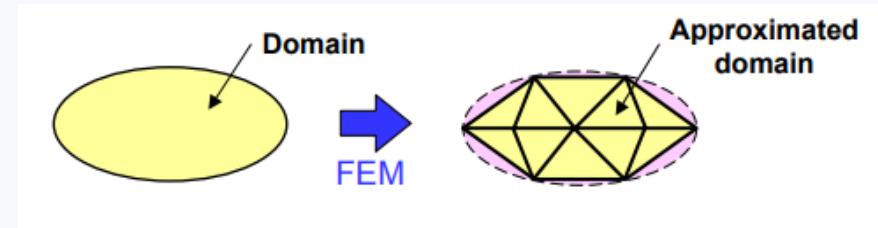
THE USER

- Hinged supports
- Pulsed pressure loading
- Unknown: midpoint displacement
- over time
- Analysis done by 10 experts with different FEM programs

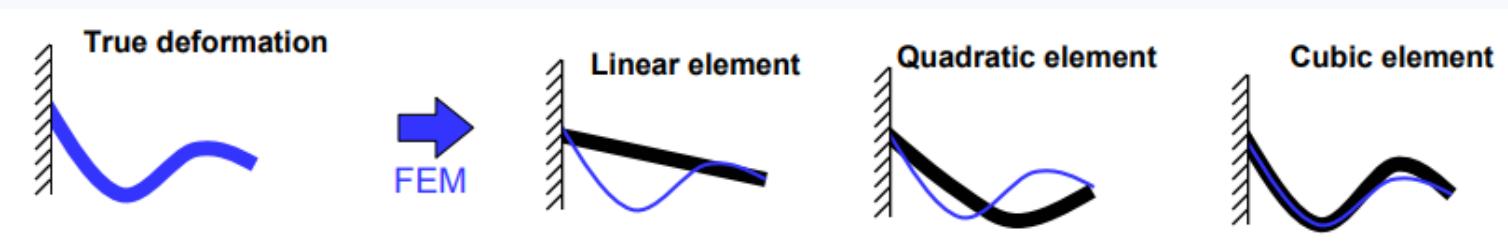


MATHS BEHIND THE HOOD

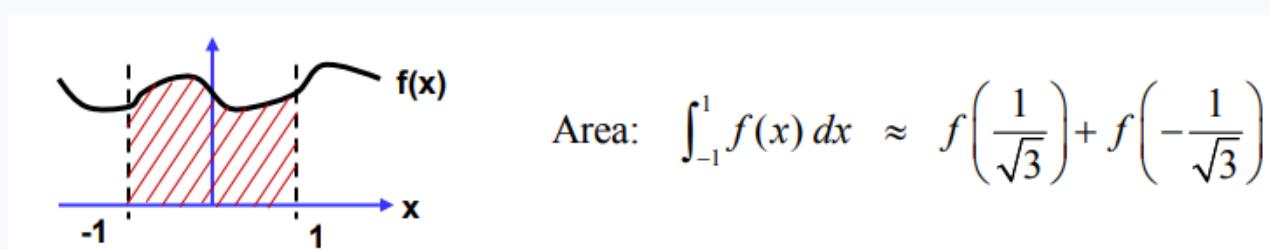
- Geometry is simplified



- Variables are assumed to be polynomial over element



- Generally very simple integration techniques



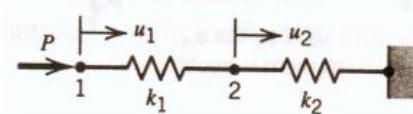
COMPUTING

- Computers can handle only finite number of digits

- Numerical difficulties

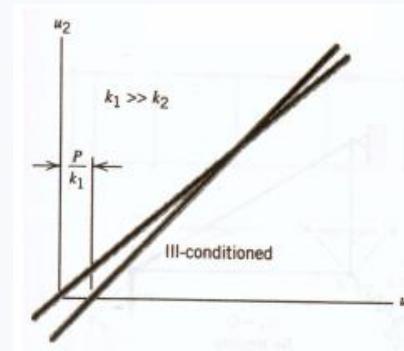
$$\sqrt{2} = 1.41421356, \quad \pi = 3.14159265$$

- Very large and very small numbers



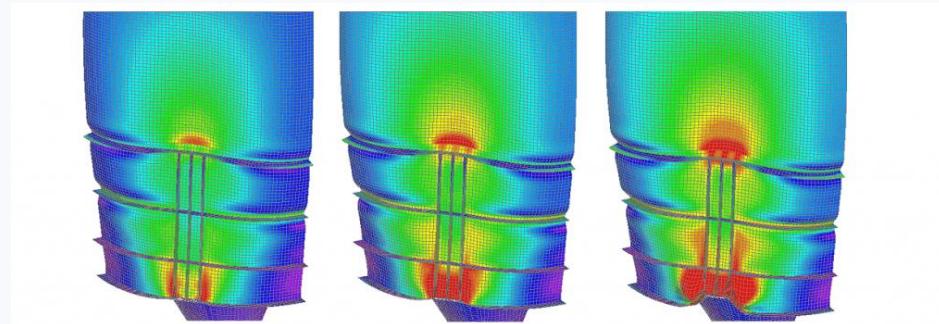
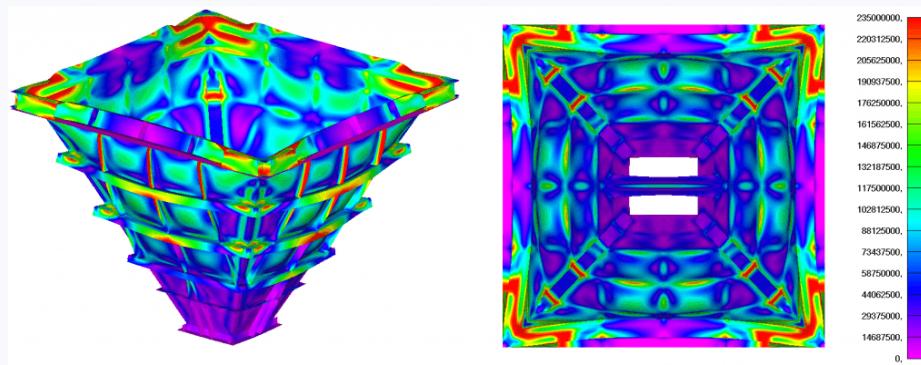
$$k_1 \gg k_2, \quad k_2 \approx 0$$

$$[(k_1 + k_2) - k_2]u_2 = P \Rightarrow u_2 = \frac{P}{k_2} \approx \frac{P}{0}$$



READING THE RESULTS

- What is acceptable limit?
- What was asked?
- Singularities
- Verification
- Hand
- Another analysis
- Second opinion



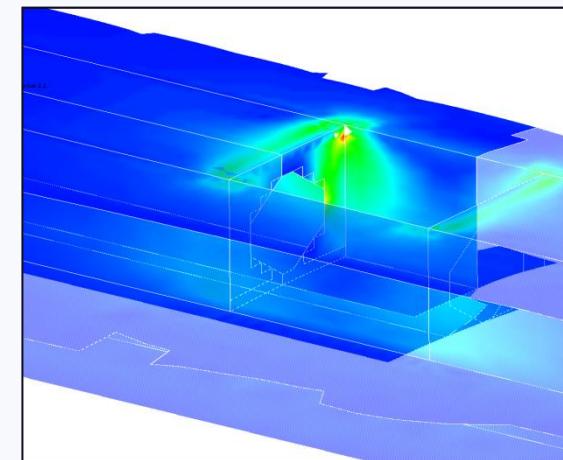
MISUSE OF TOOLS

- Wrong elements used. I.e. Solids used instead of shells
- Distorted elements
- Insufficient supports
- Inconsistent units
- Too large numerical differences
- Misplaced forces

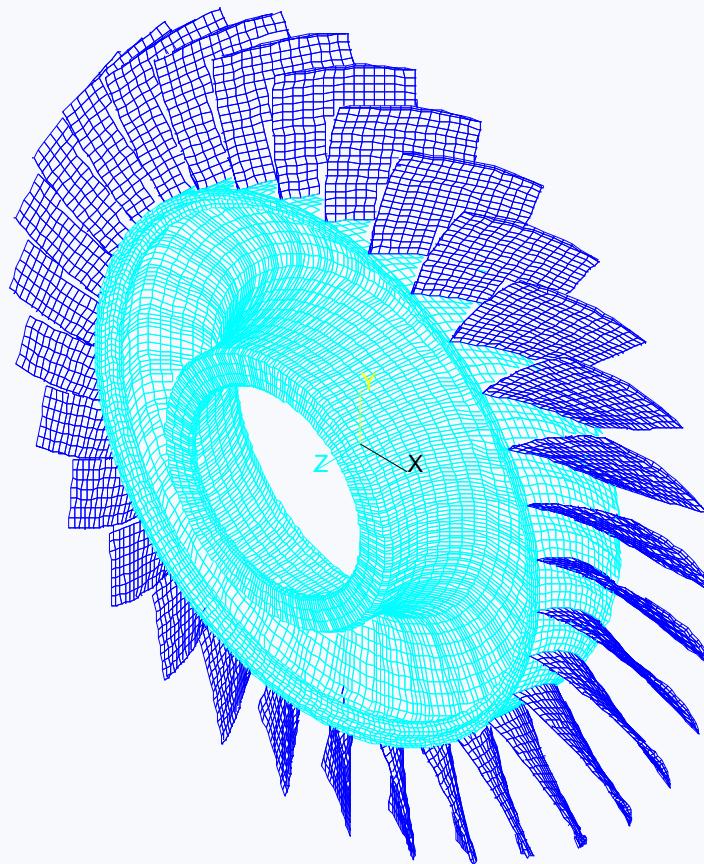


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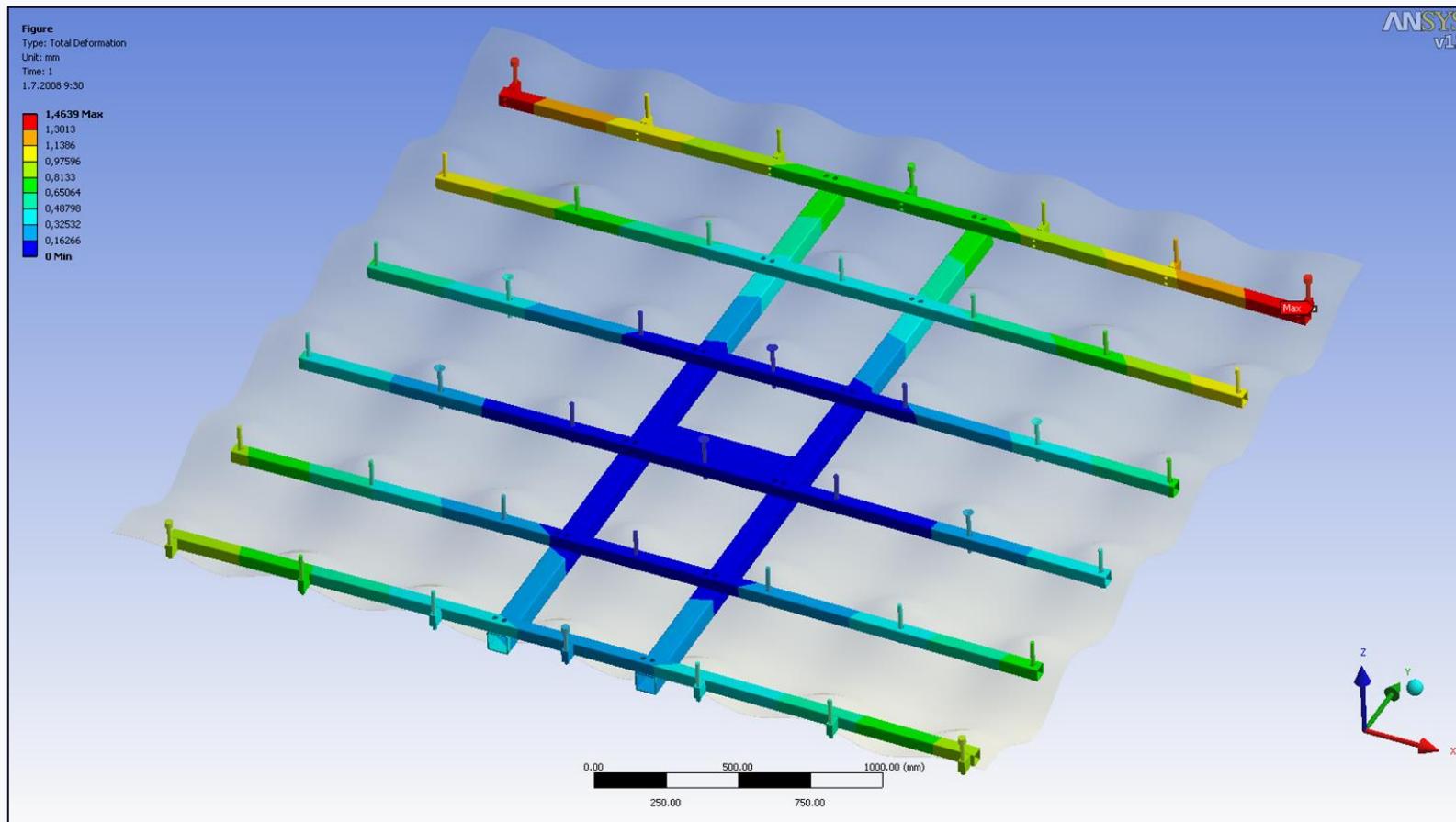
- Sometimes hard to find correct loads and boundary conditions
- Model is always idealised version of reality
- Material models
- Specialist required
- Might lead to "shoot with shotgun"



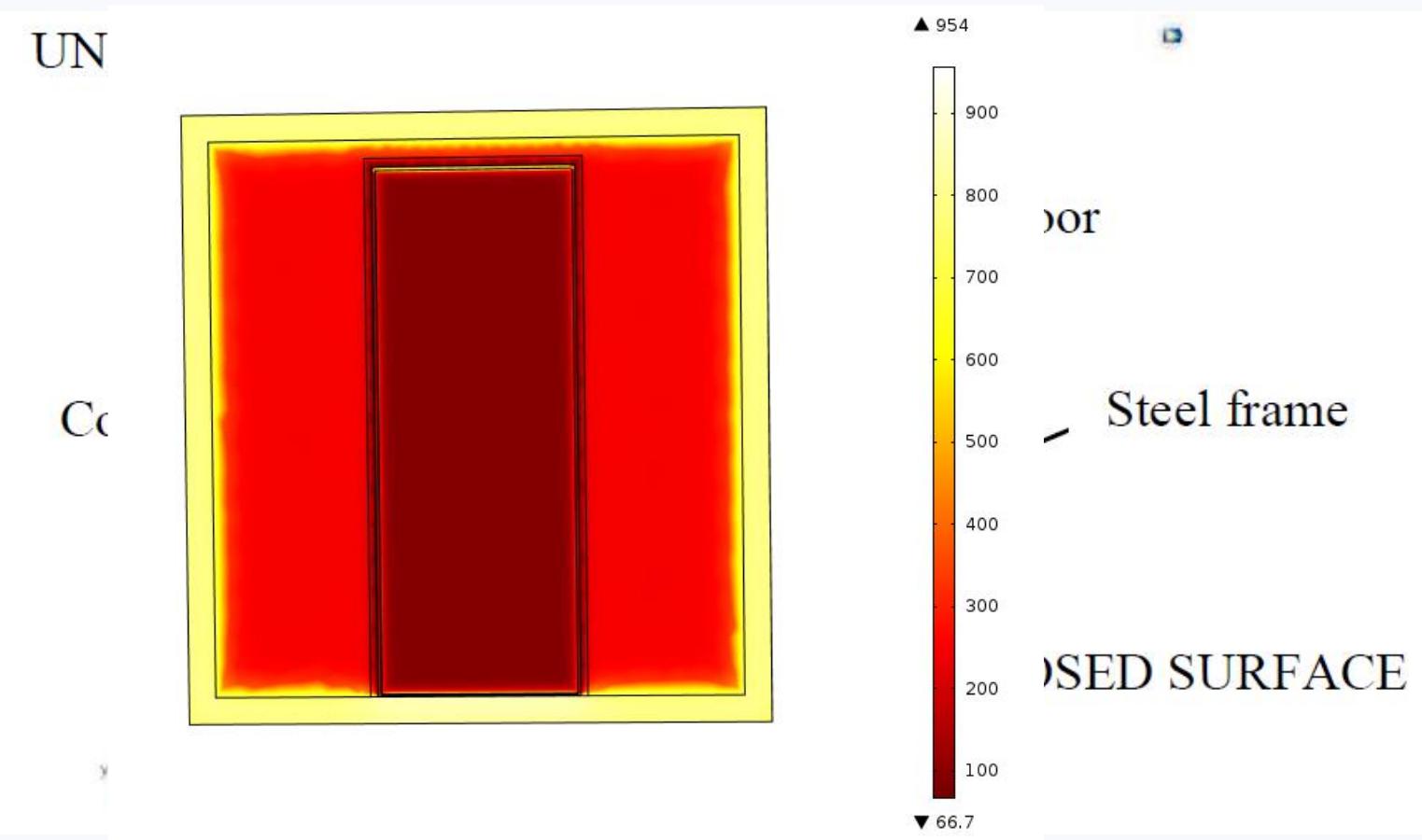
CASES



ALUMINIUM FRAME



FIRE SIMULATION



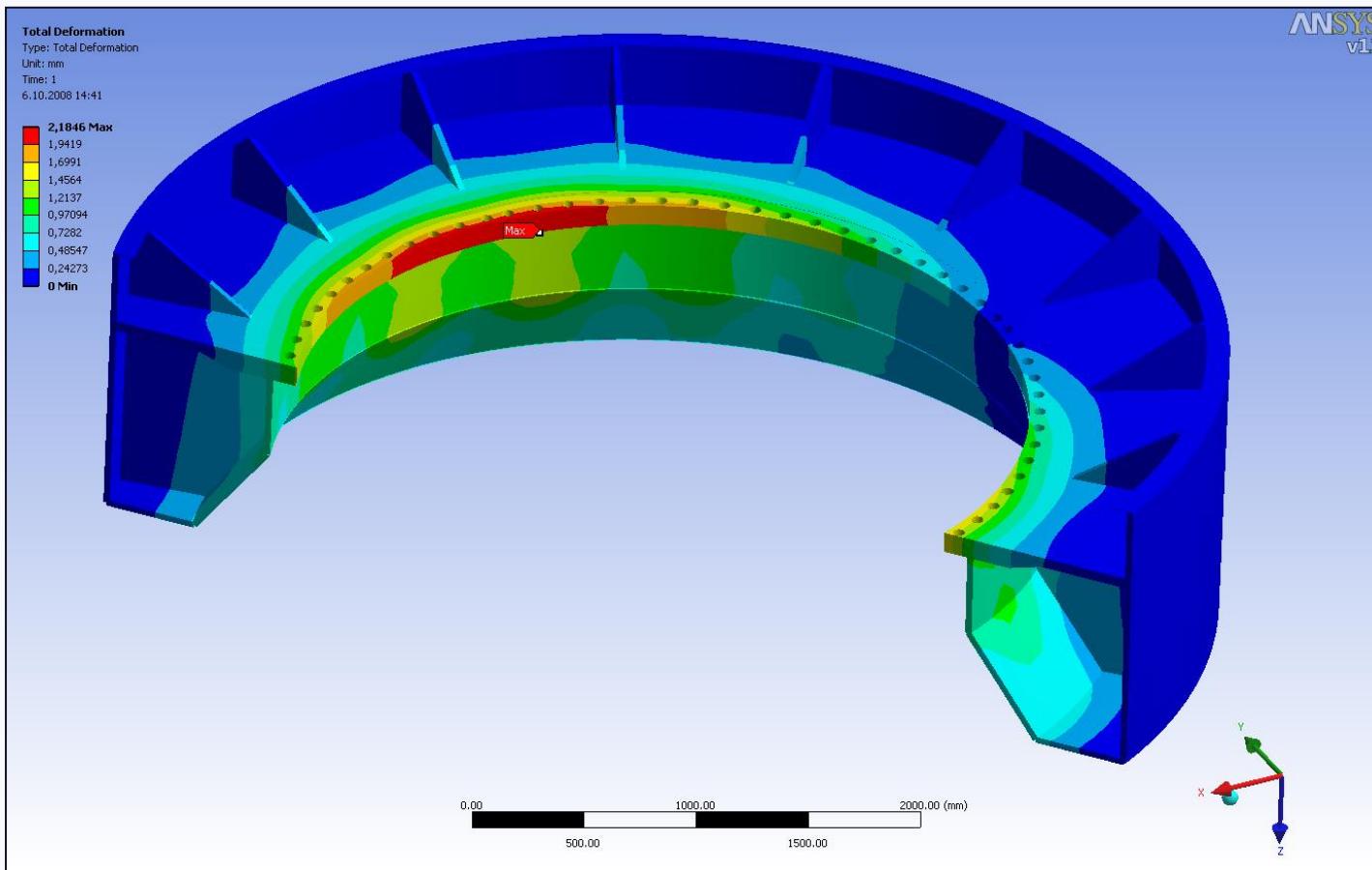
BOLT CONNECTION



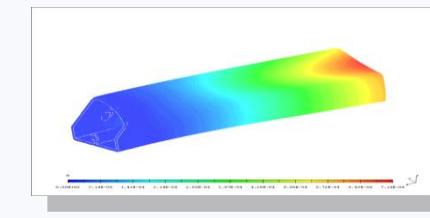
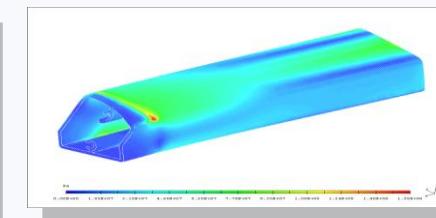
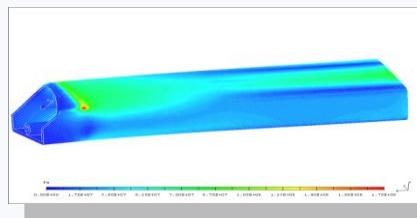
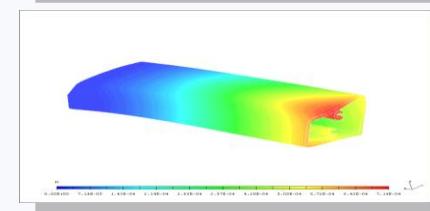
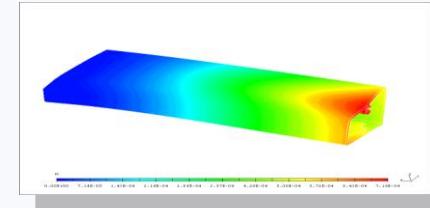
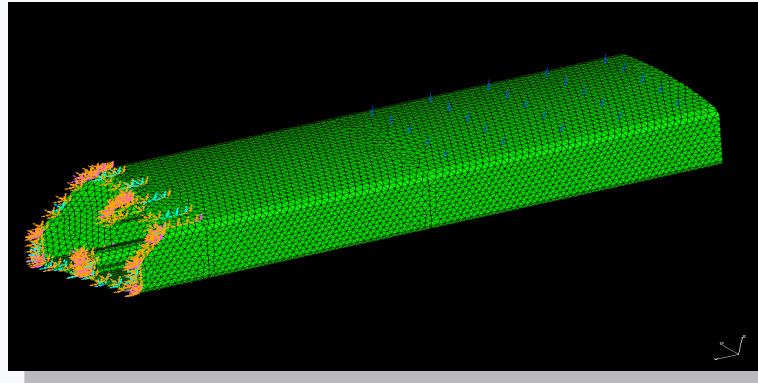
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R15.0



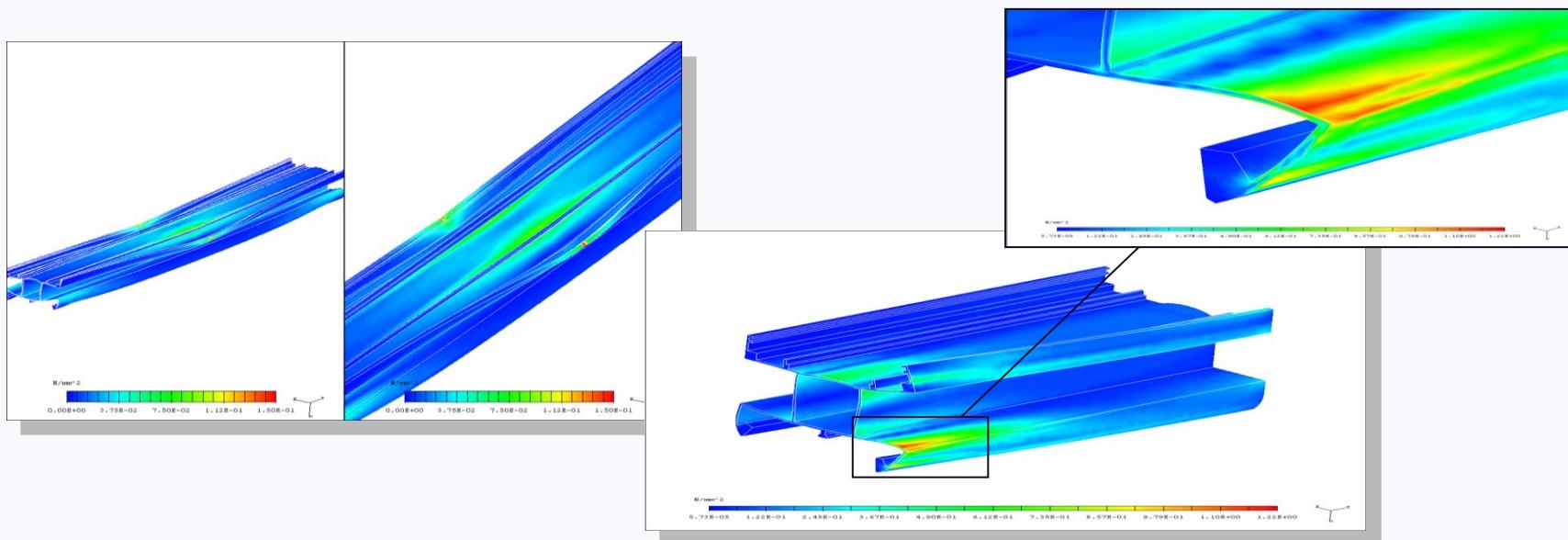
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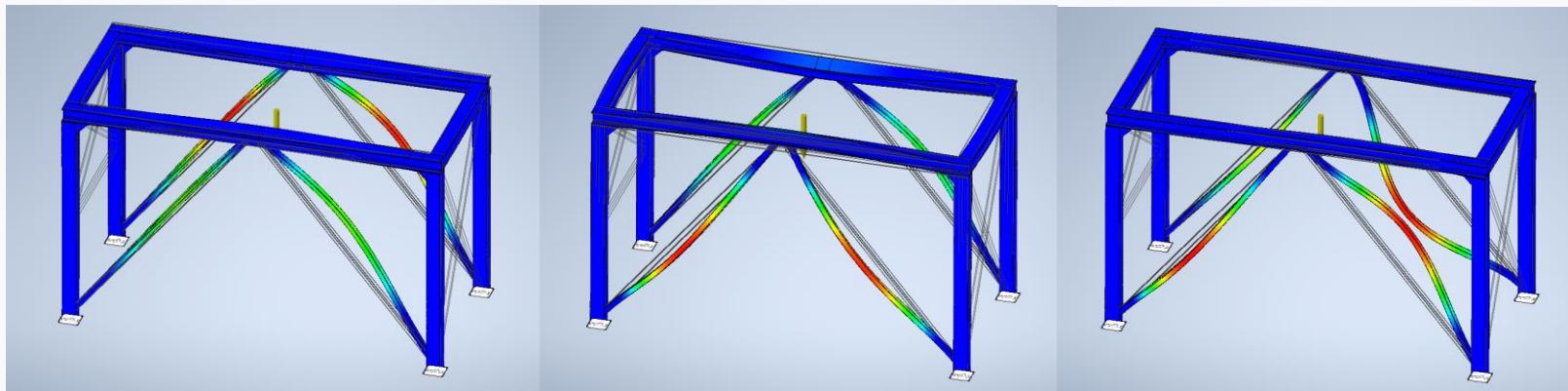
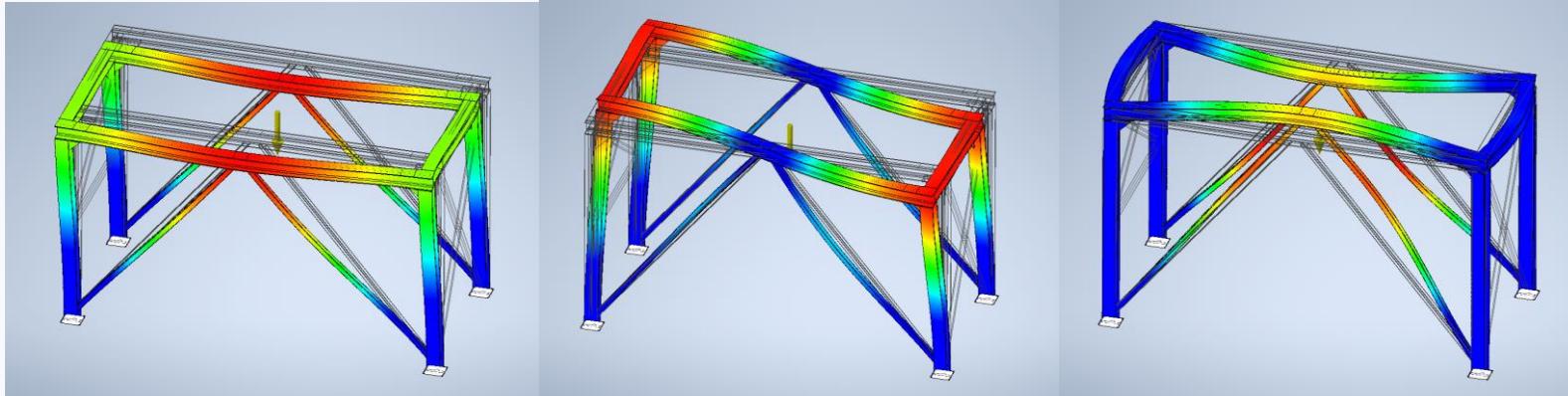
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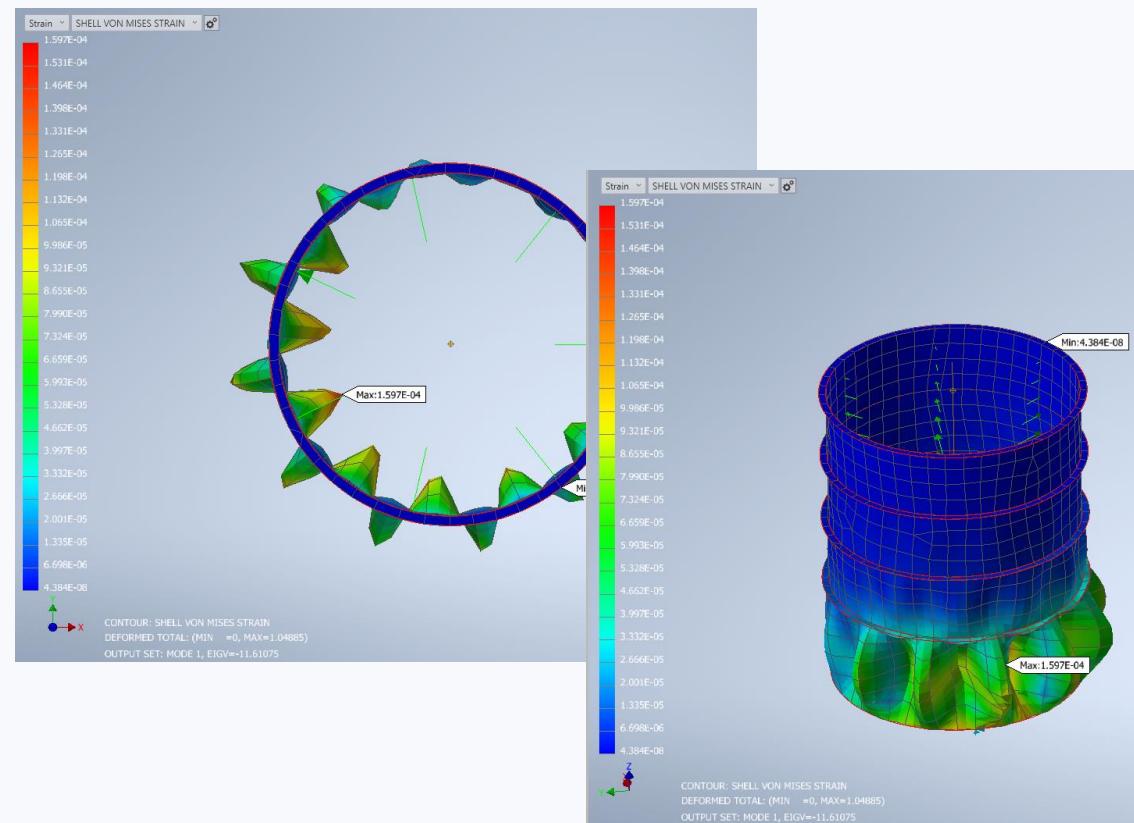
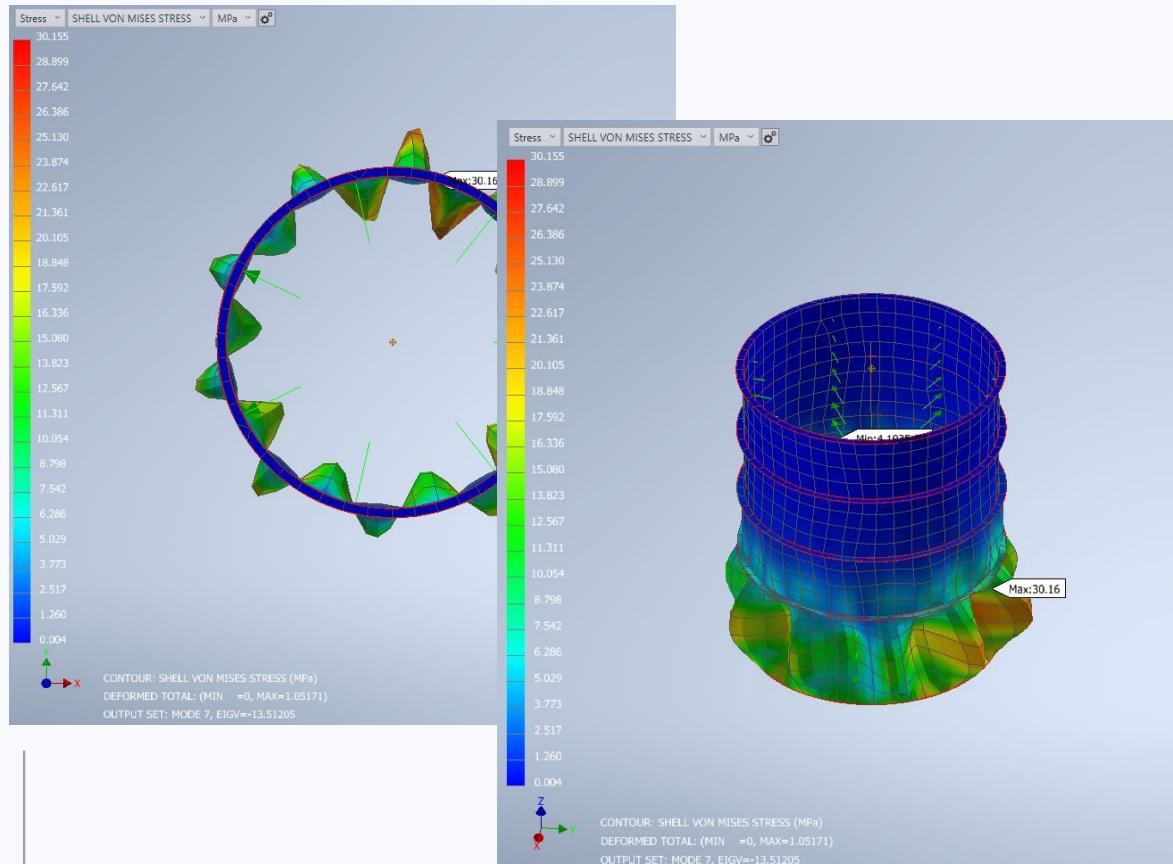
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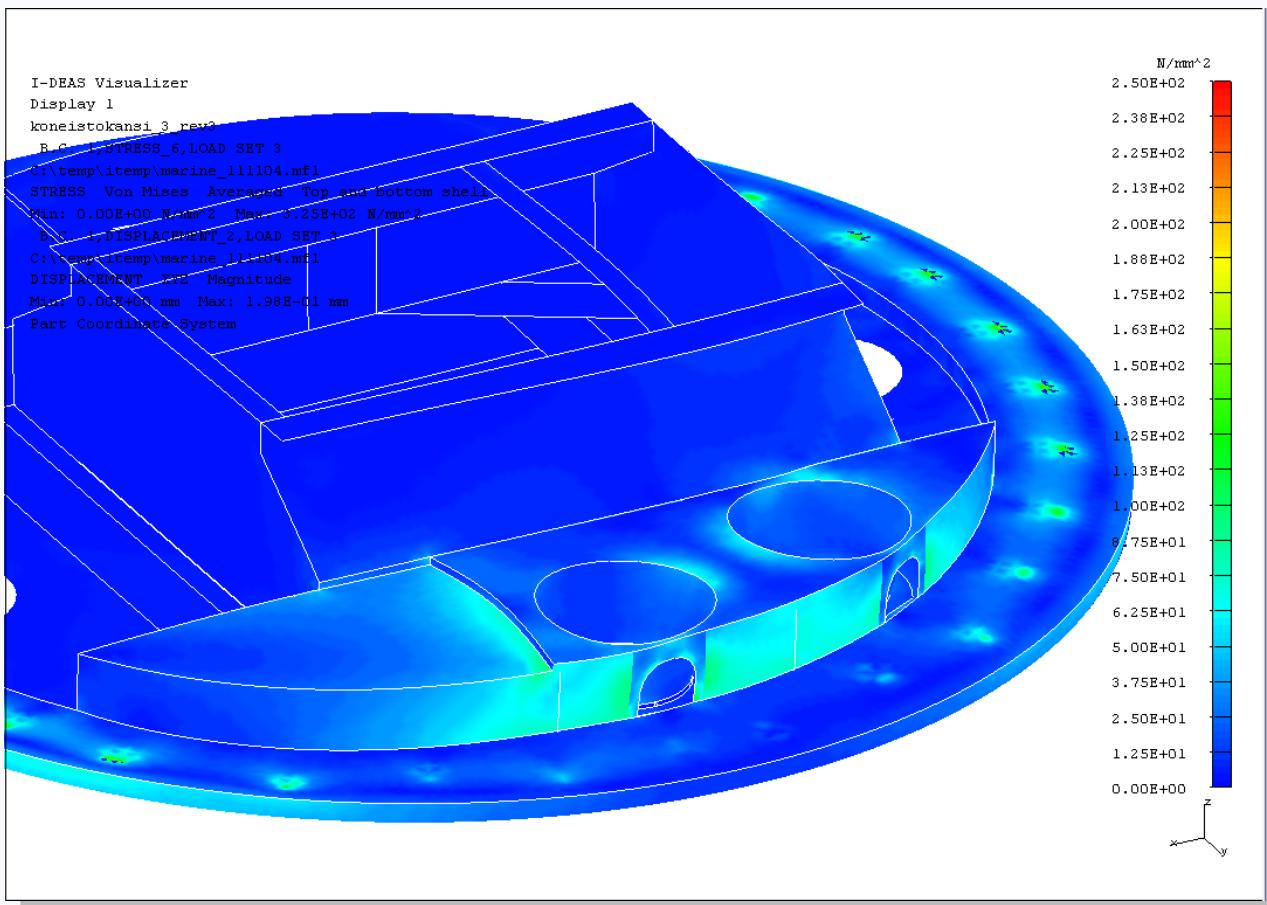
NATURAL FREQUENCIES



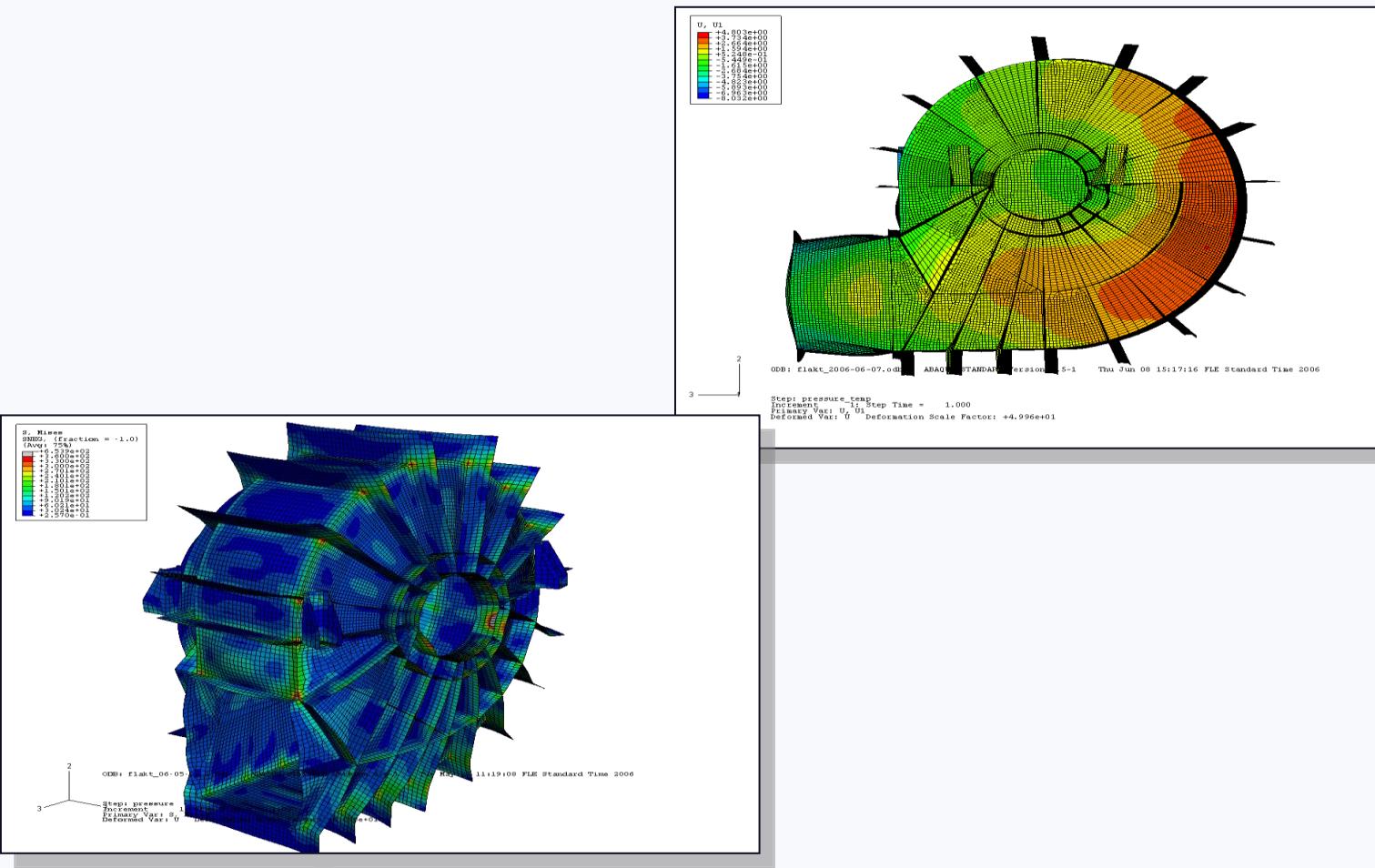
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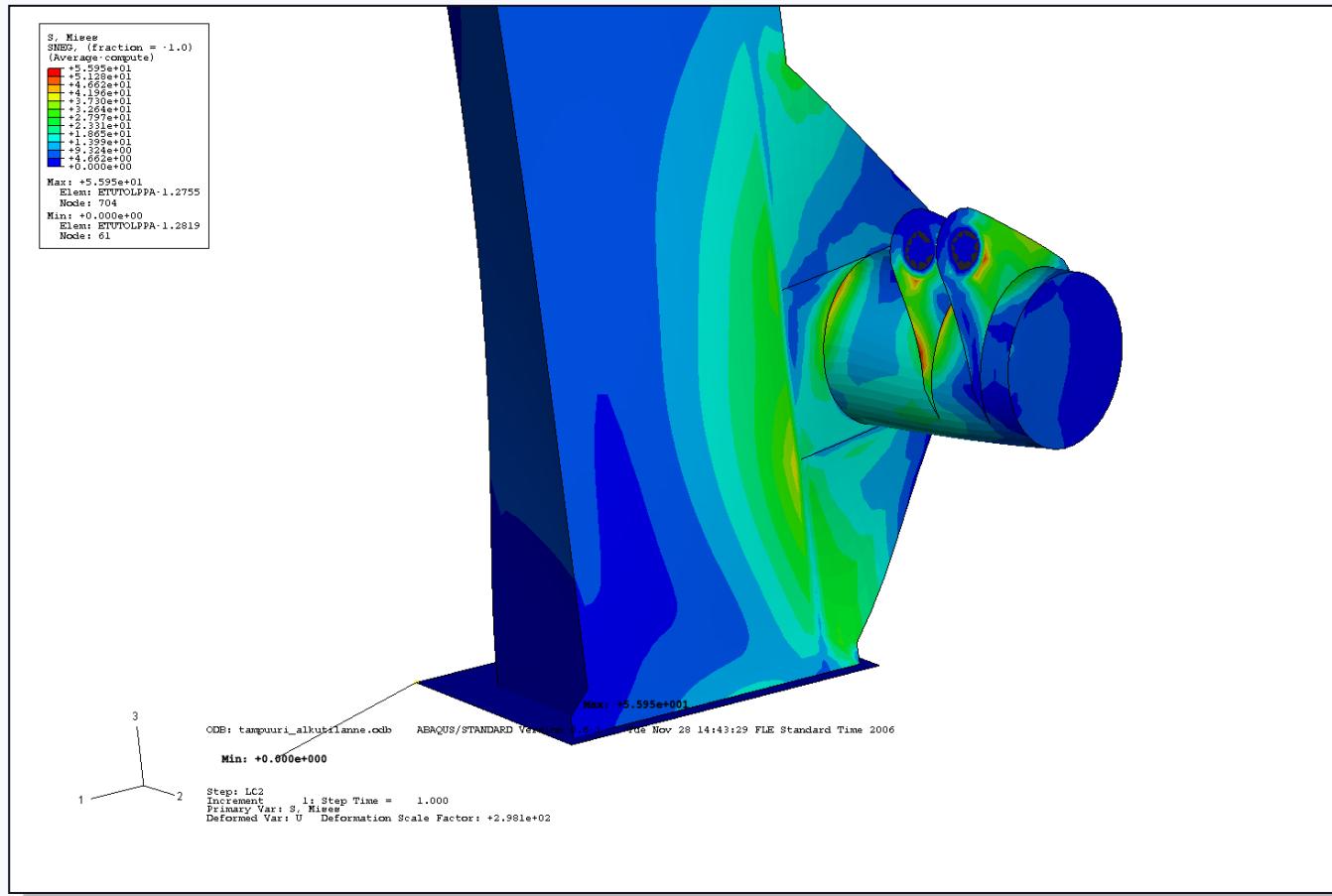
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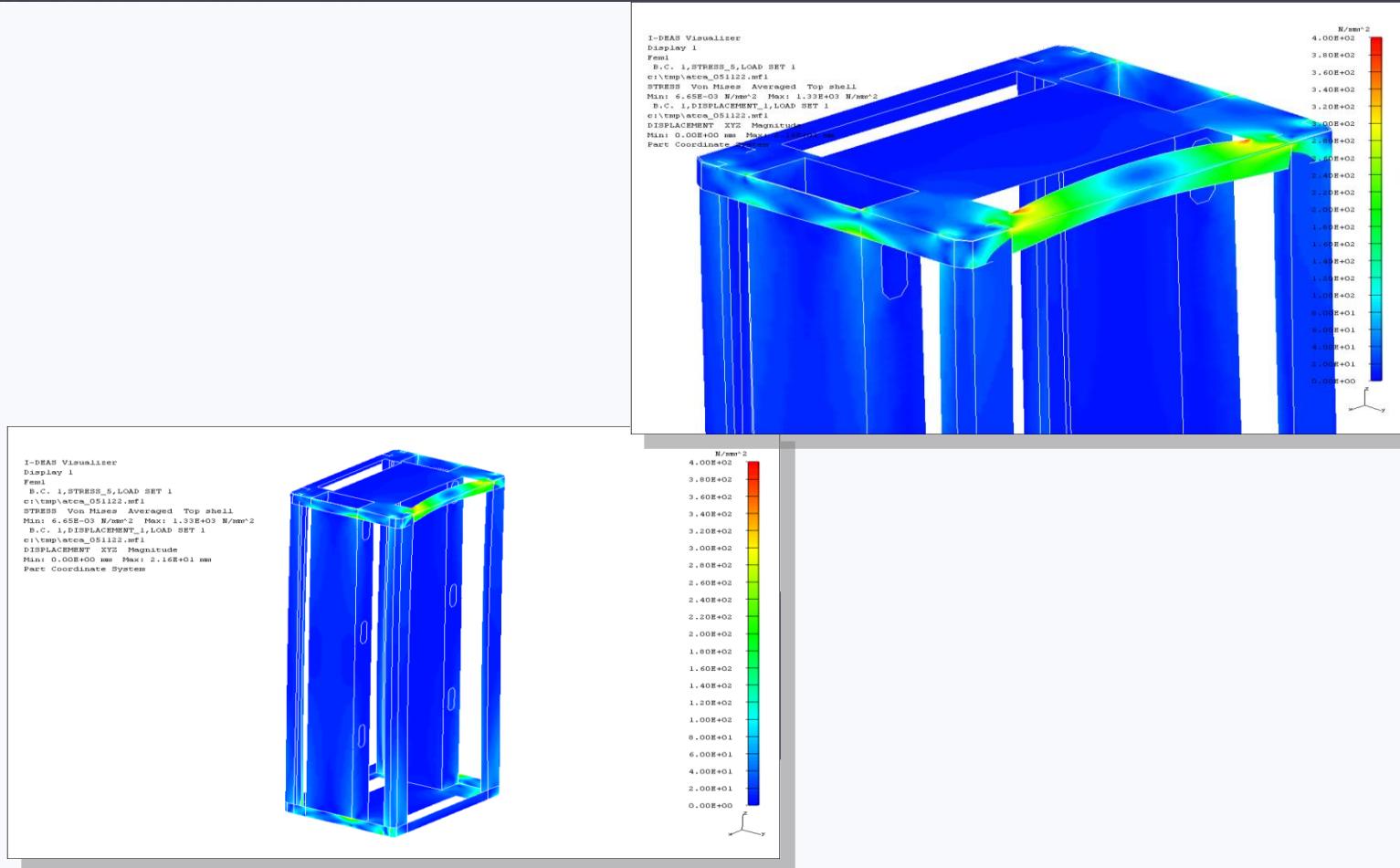
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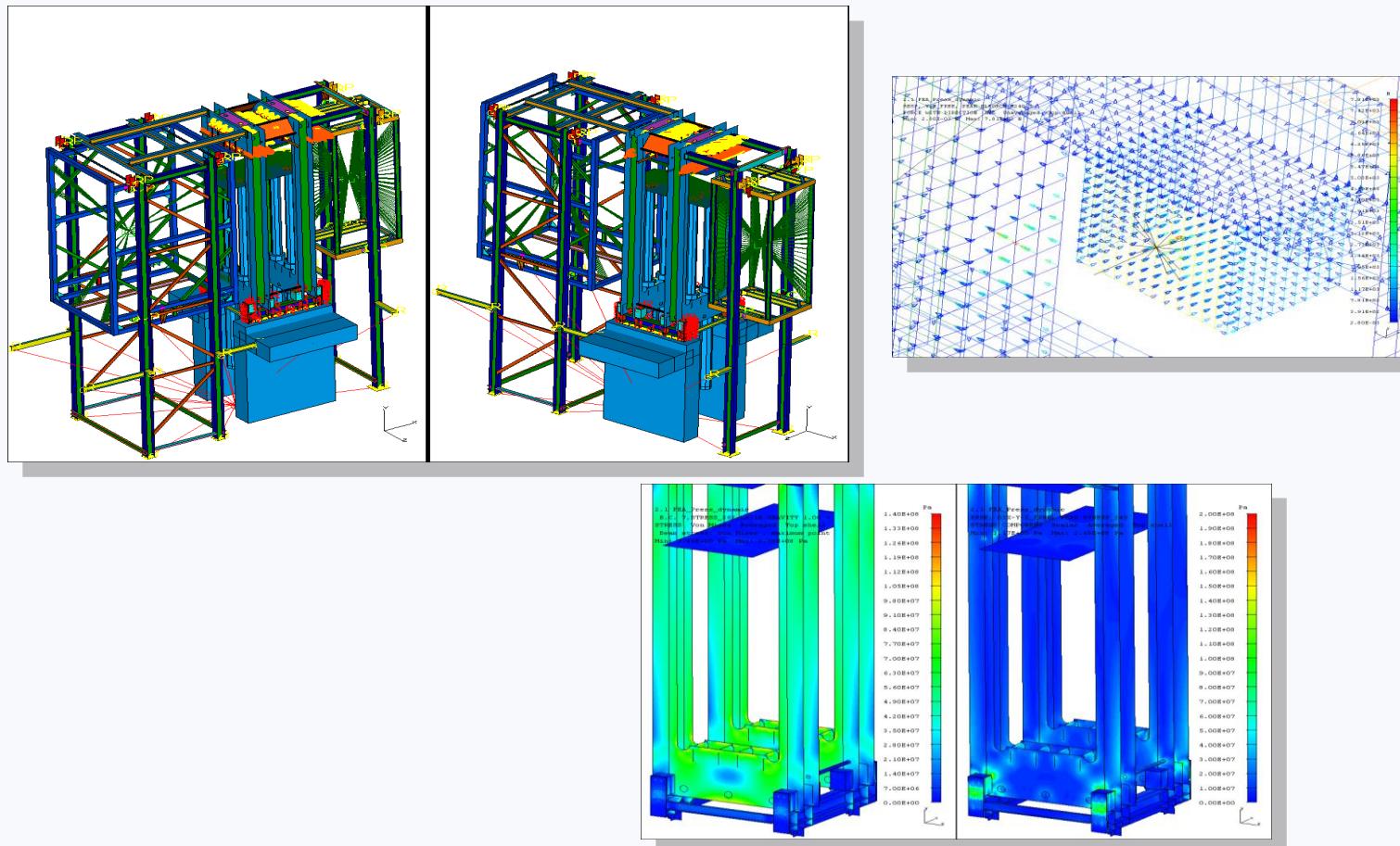
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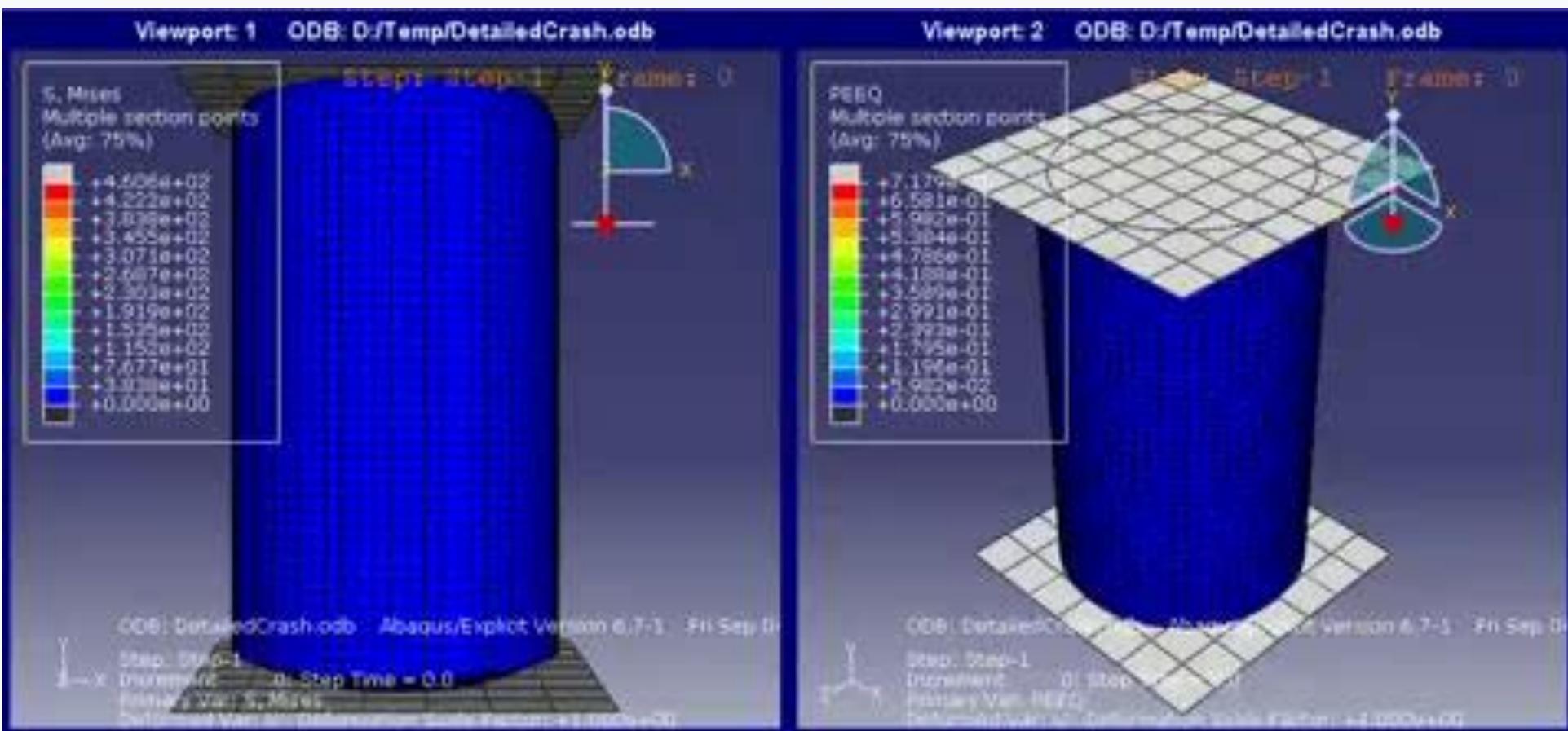
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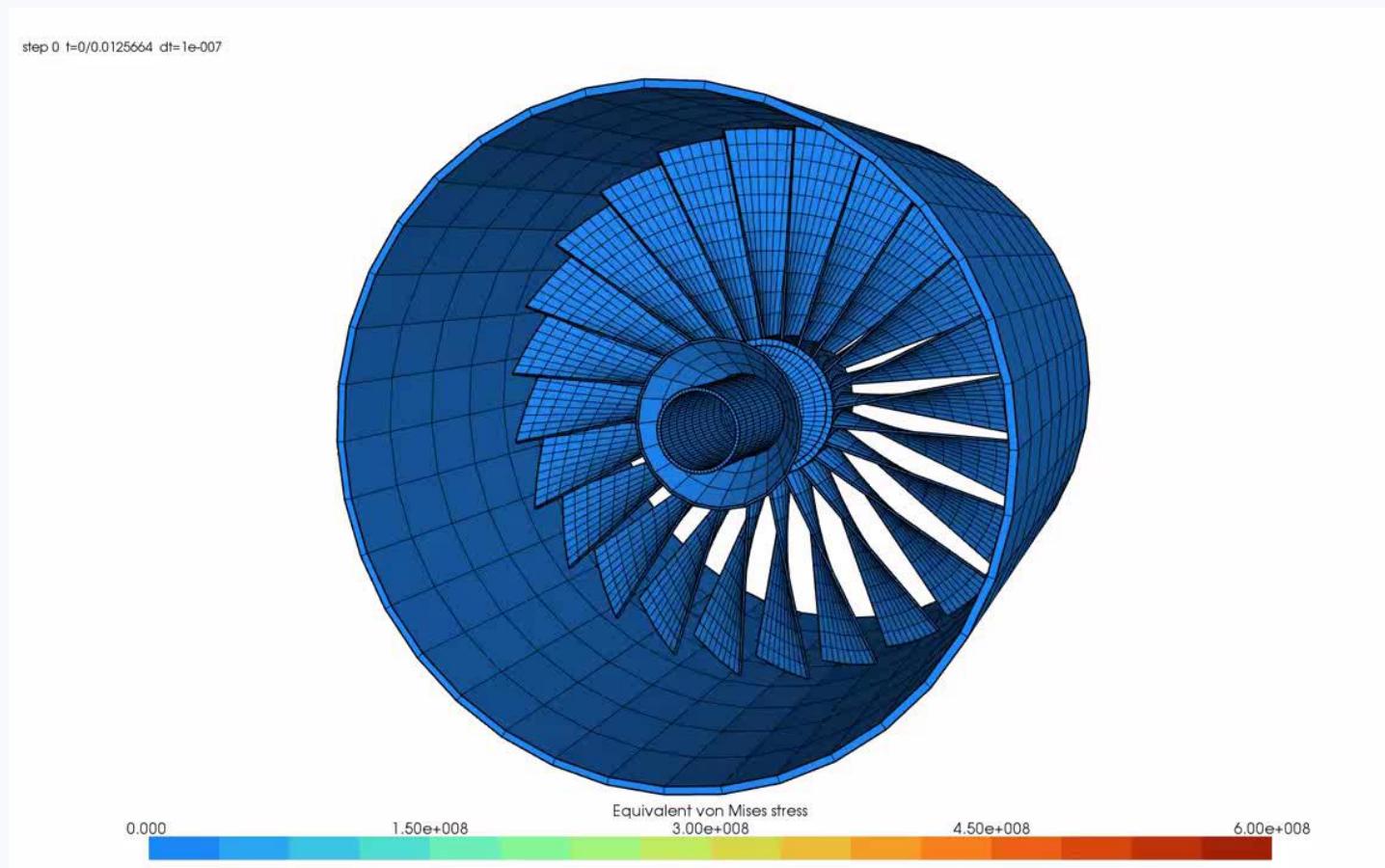
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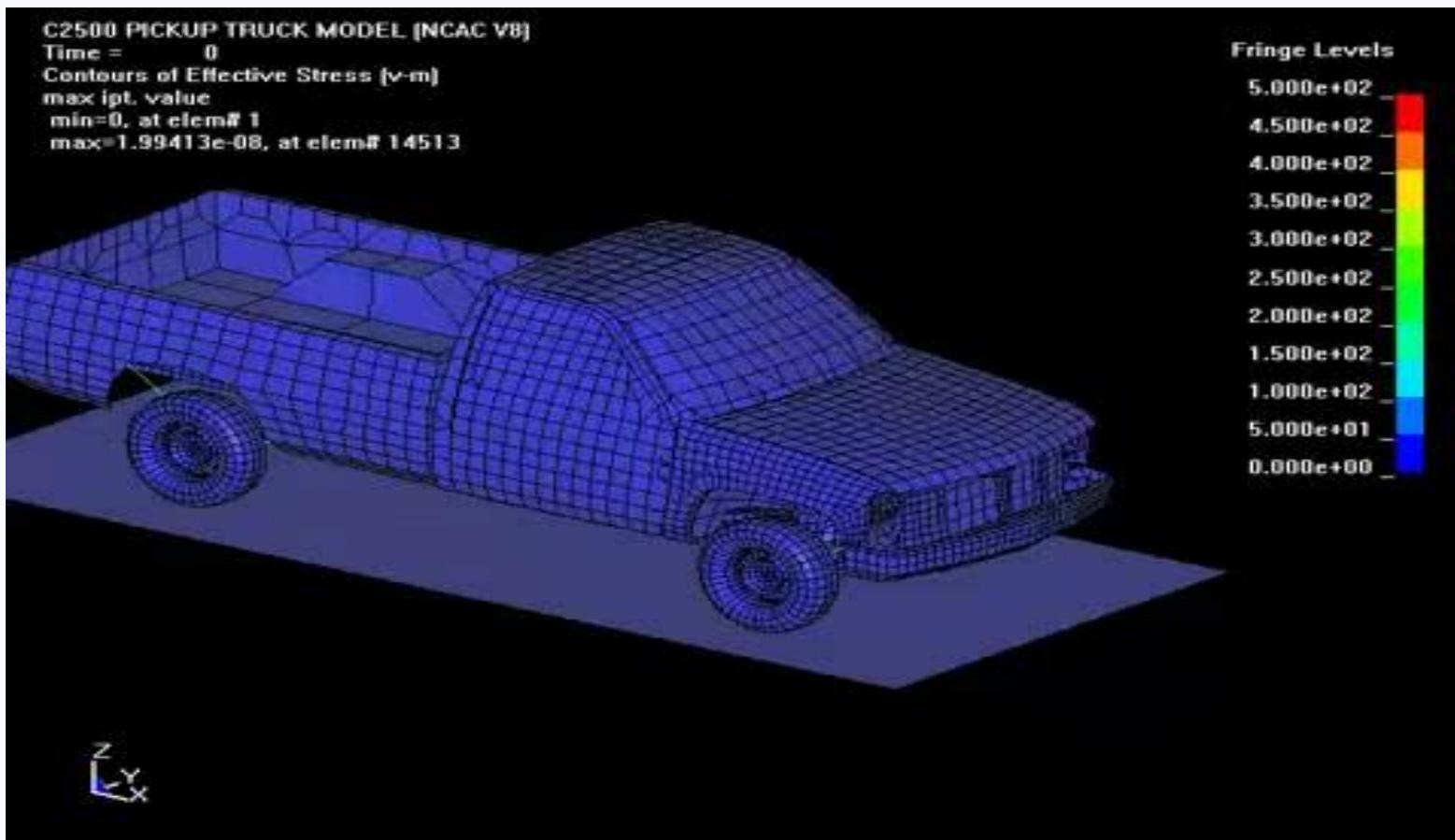
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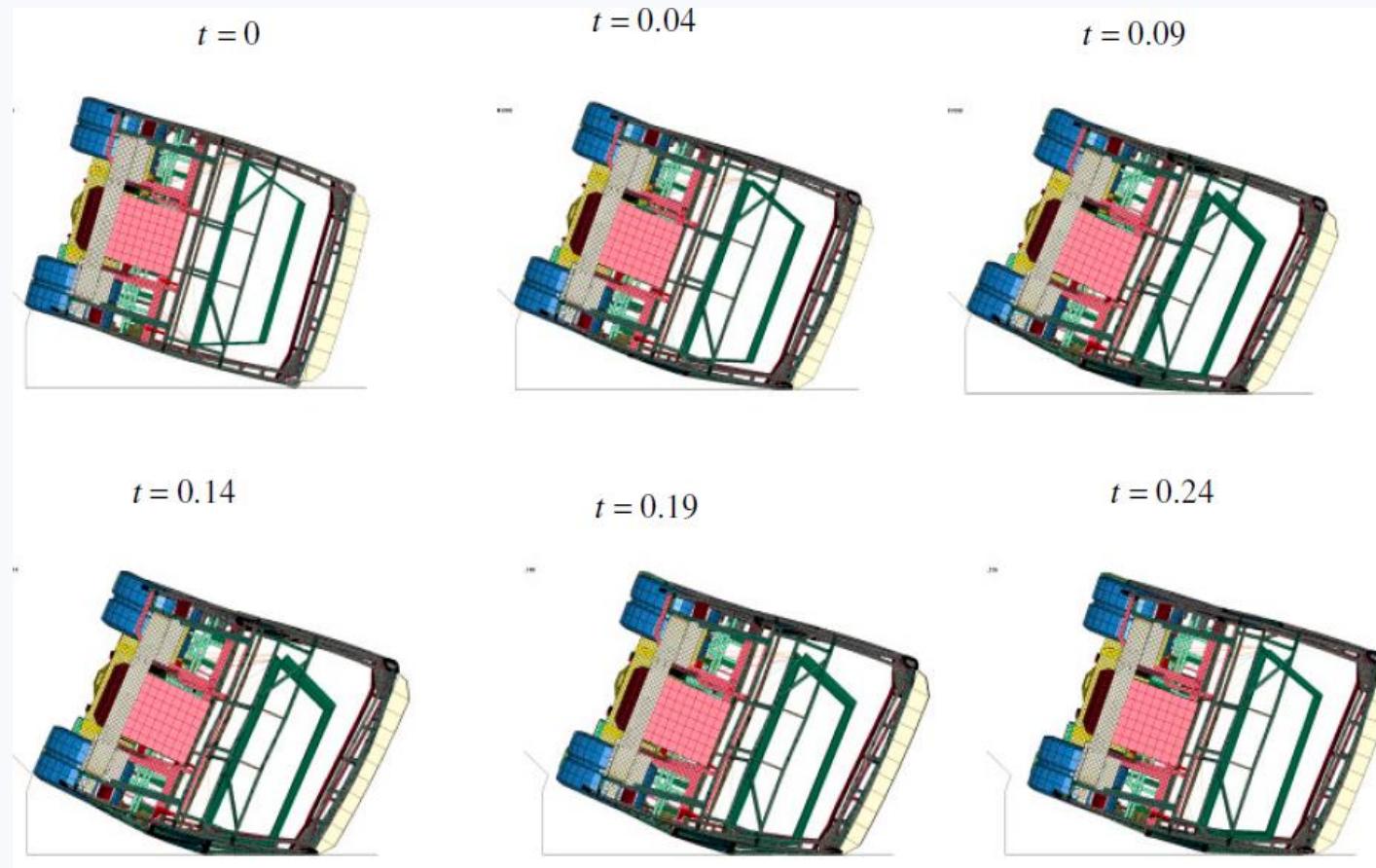
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CRASH SIMULATION



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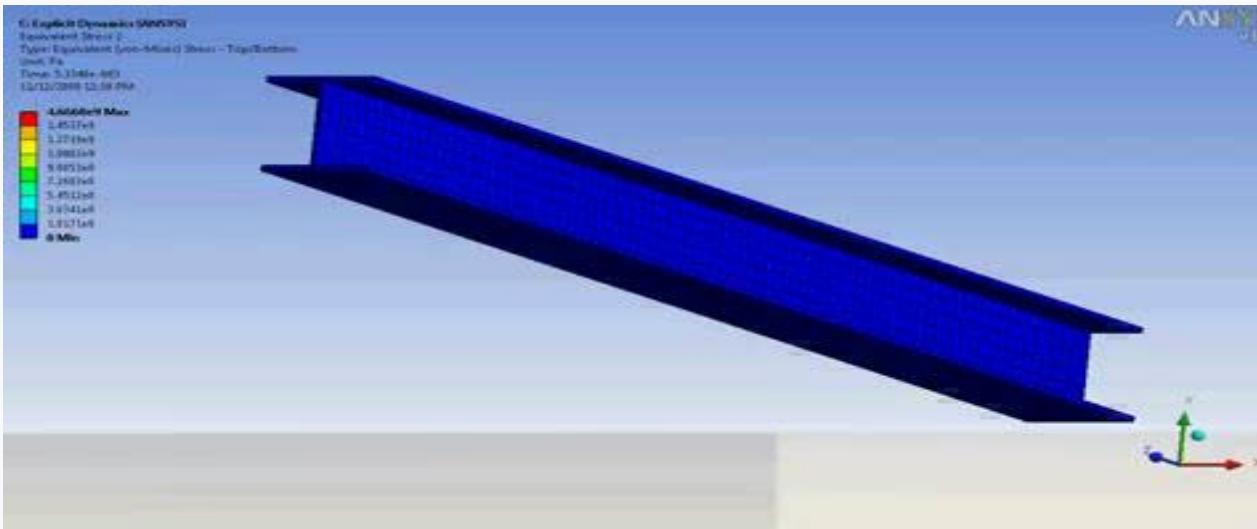
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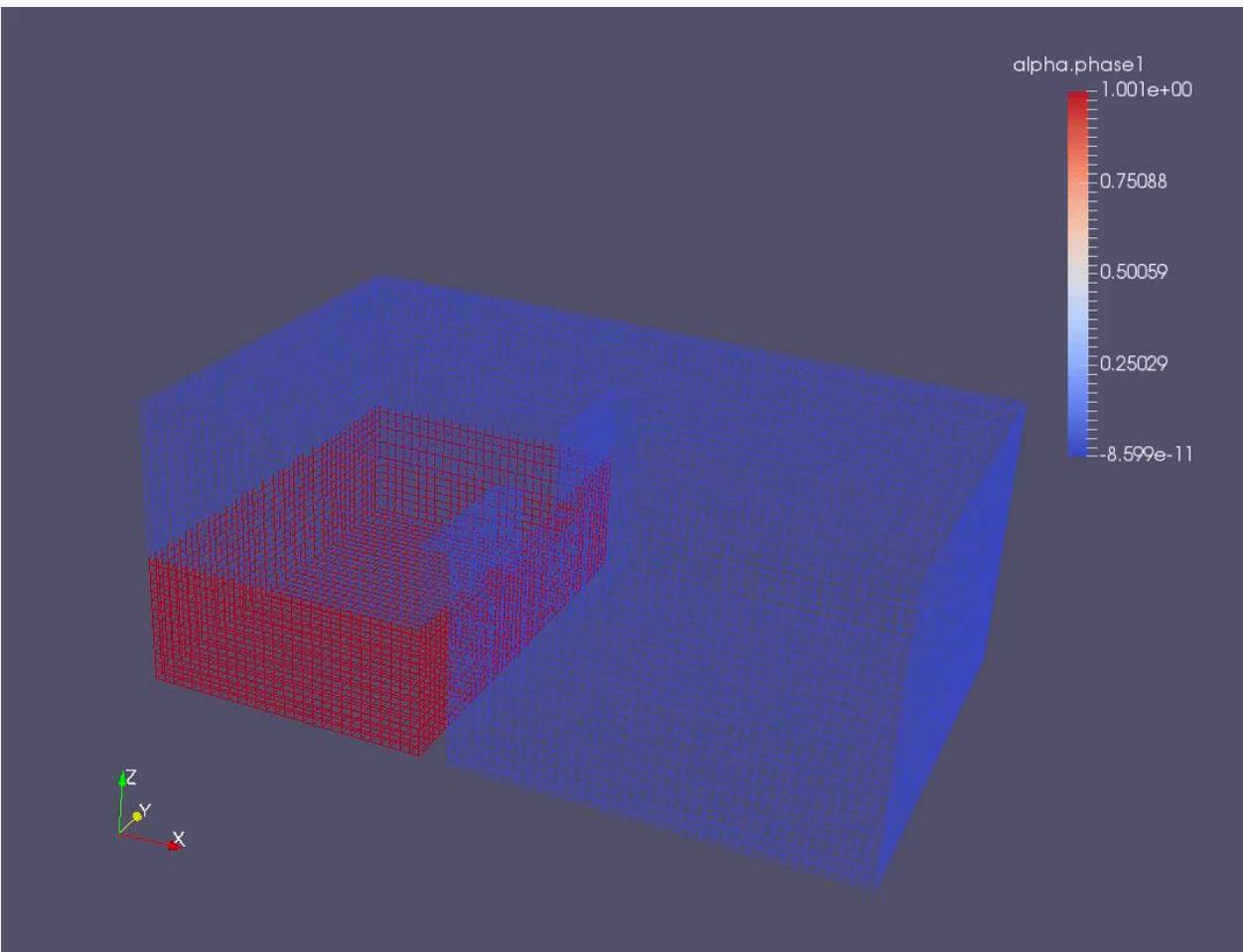
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FLOW ANALYSIS



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