

# **Harmonic Sweep**

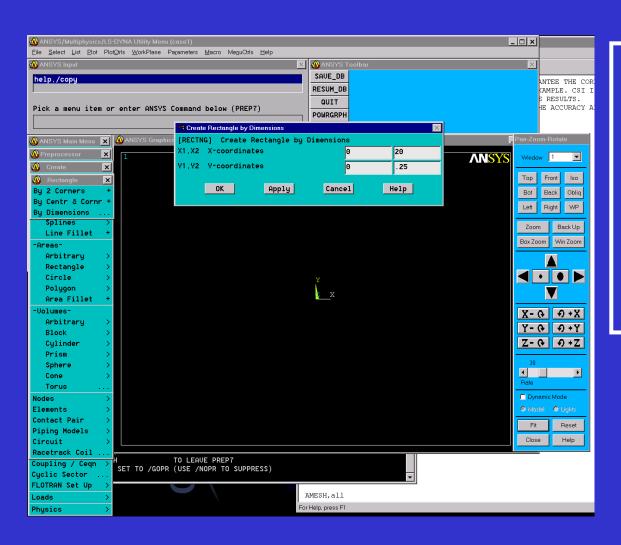
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# **Example Objectives**

- ·Build "base" Model
- •Create Large Mass
- •Connect Large Mass and "base" Model
- •Run Free-Free Modal Analysis
- •Run Harmonic Analysis
- •Post-process Frequency Vs. Response (x-y plots)
- •Copy Modal Results
- •Expand Frequency Vs. Response Results into .rst file
- •Post-process One Point in Time with a User Supplied Phase Angle





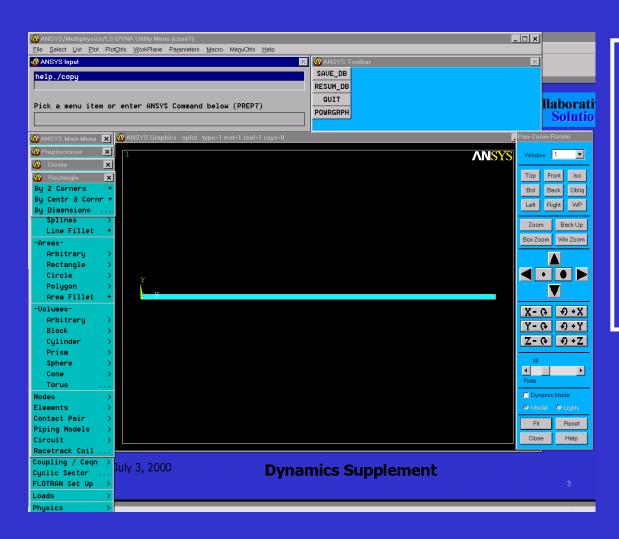
#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor>
Create> Rectangle> By Dimensions ...

## What's Happening:

Creating a 20x.25 rectangle (area).





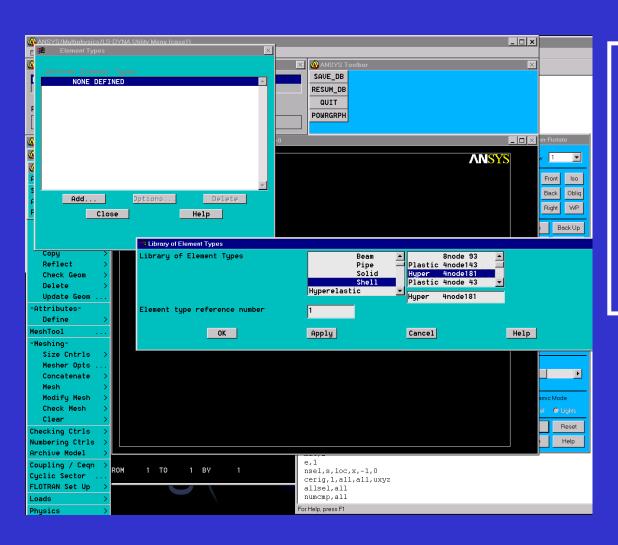
#### **Menu Picks:**

Utility Menu> Plot> Area

## What's Happening:

A plot of the rectangle (area) just created.





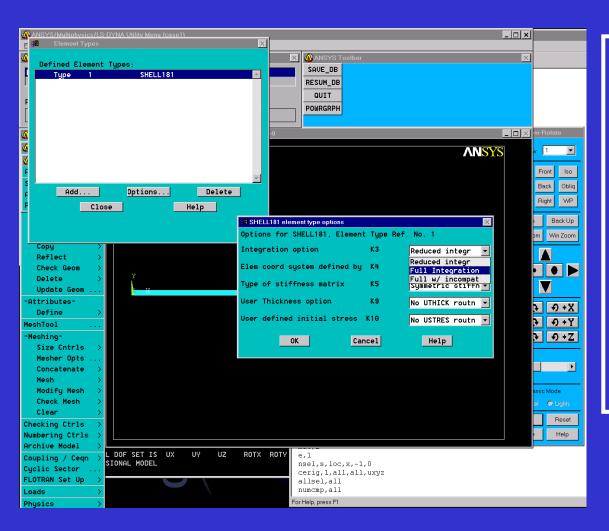
#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Element Type> Add/Edit/Delete ... Add ...

## What's Happening:

Creating an element type 1 to be Shell181 (4 or 3 node shell element).





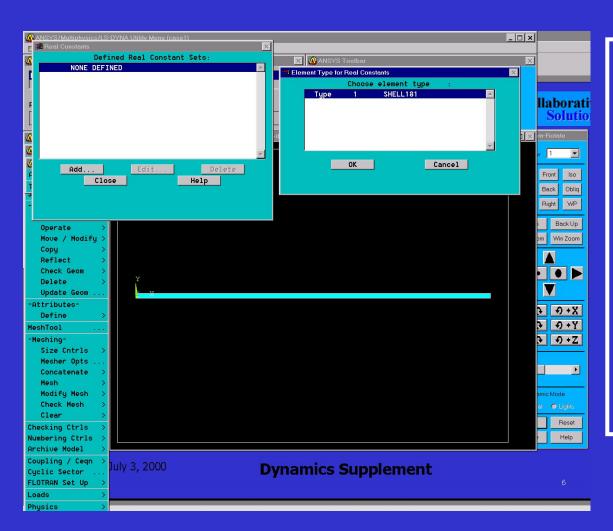
#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Element Type> Add/Edit/Delete ... Options ...

## What's Happening:

The default for shell181 is reduced integration. We a switching to full integration.





#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Real Constant> Add/Edit/Delete ...

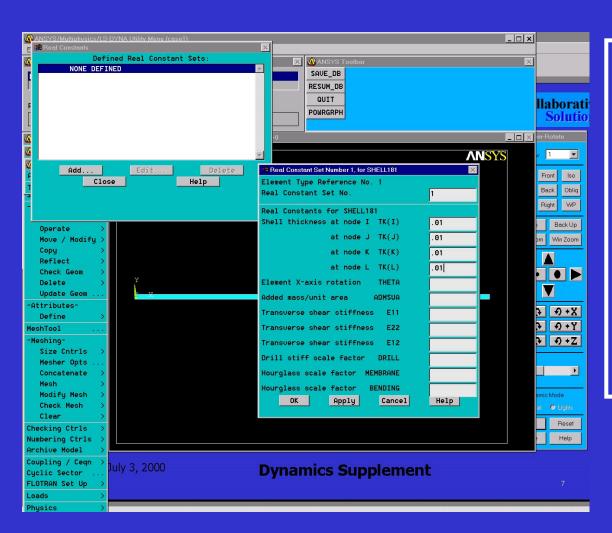
Add ...

Highlight Shell181 and pick OK

## What's Happening:

We are going to define the shell thickness (real constant).





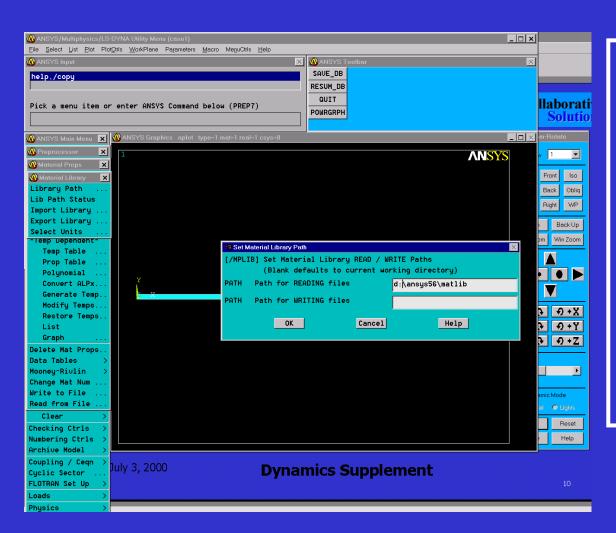
#### **Menu Picks:**

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### What's Happening:

Define the shell thickness to be .01 for all node that define the shell. This results in a shell having uniform thickness of .01.





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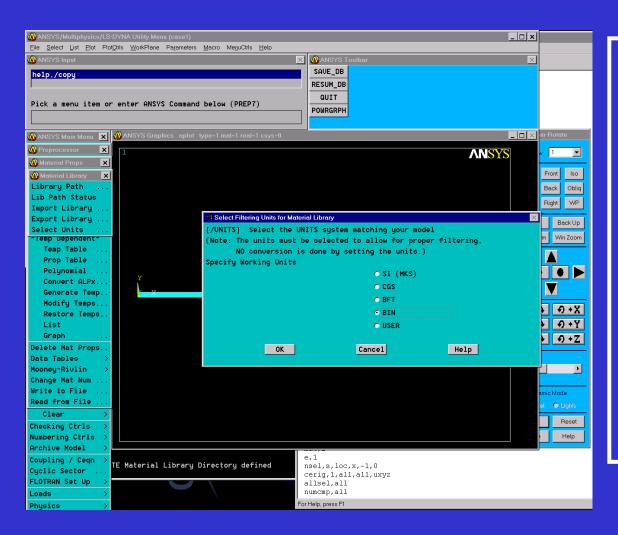
ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Material Properties> Material Library> Library Path ...

 $d:\ansys\matlib$ 

## What's Happening:

We are telling ANSYS where the ANSYS material library is located.





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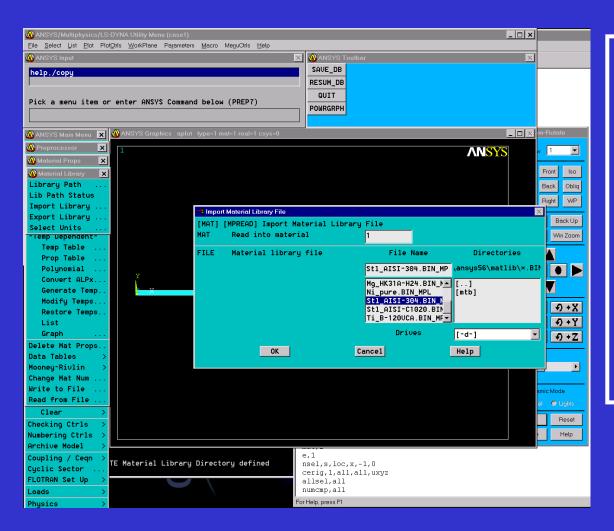
ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Material Properties> Material Library> Import Library ...

Highlight BIN

## What's Happening:

First ANSYS will prompt you for the units of the material you are importing. Be sure to use consistent units. We are using BIN unit for this example.





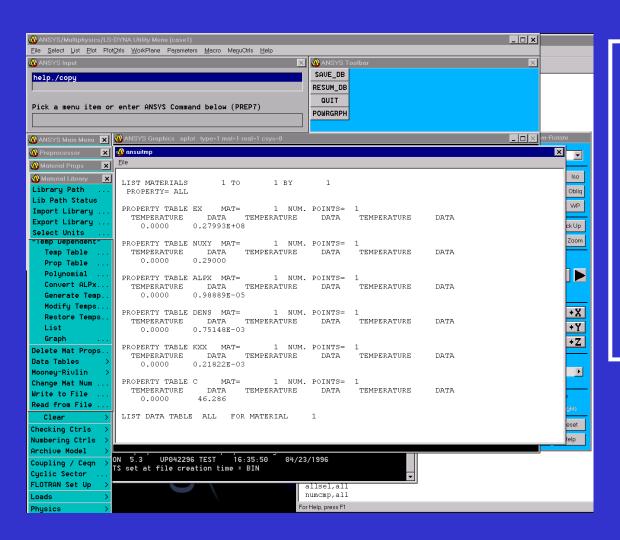
#### **Menu Picks:**

Continuation from the menu pick. Highlight Stl+AISI-304.BIN MP

### What's Happening:

We are telling ANSYS which material to use. In this case we are using a steel AISI 304.





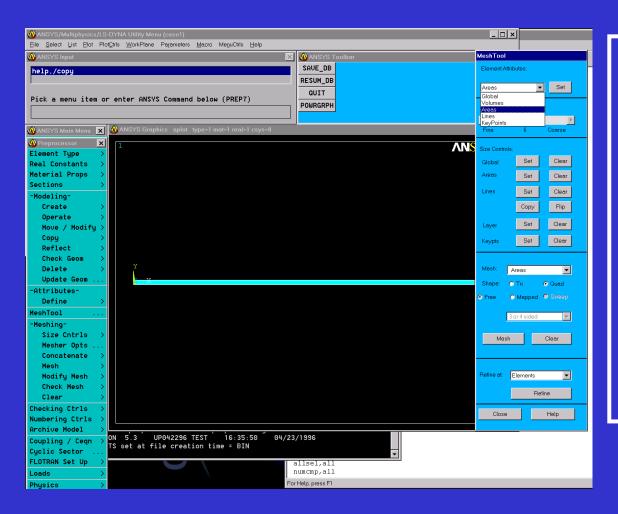
#### **Menu Picks:**

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### What's Happening:

ANSYS is tell us the material properties it will be using for material type 1.





#### **Menu Picks:**

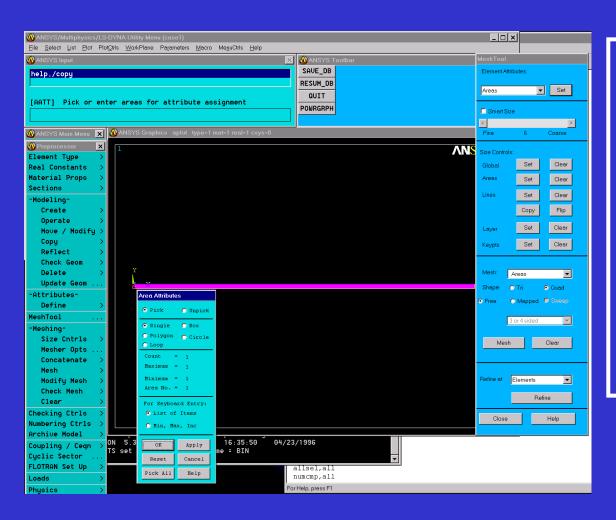
ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> MeshTool ...

Element Attributed

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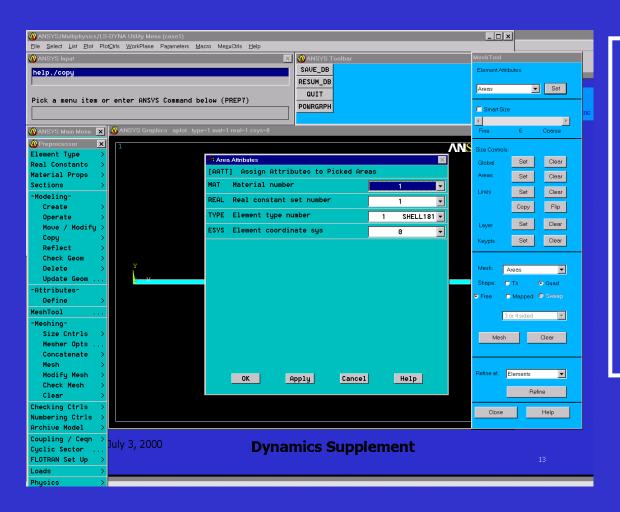
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### What's Happening:

You are going to pick the area you would like to assign attributes (element type, material properties, and real constants).





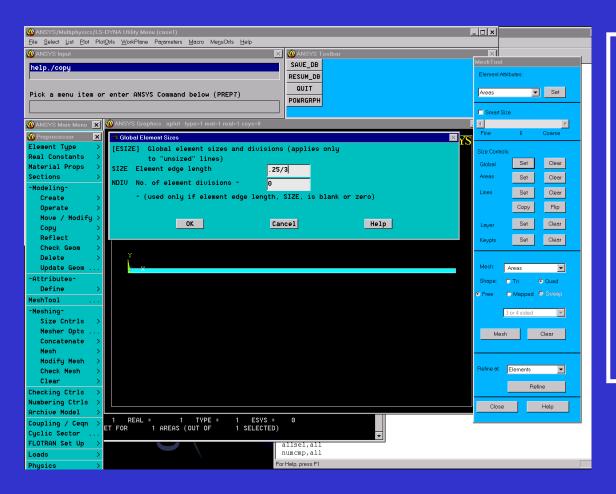
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### What's Happening:

You will toggle the attributes you would like to assign to the previously picked areas.





#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Preprocessor>

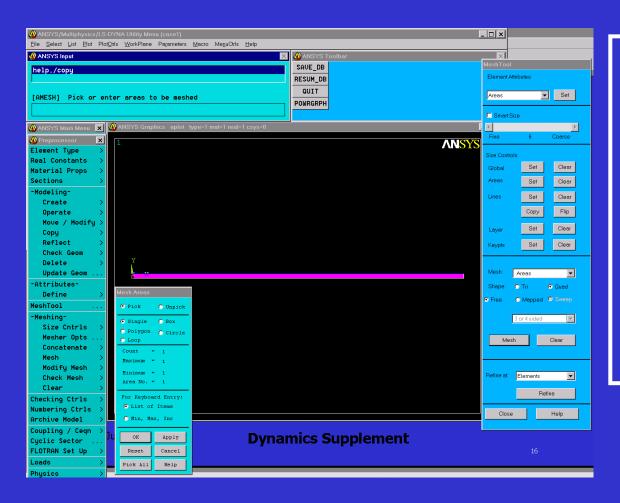
MeshTool ...

Size Control> Global> Set

## What's Happening:

You are specifying mesh controls for the entire model.





#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Preprocessor>

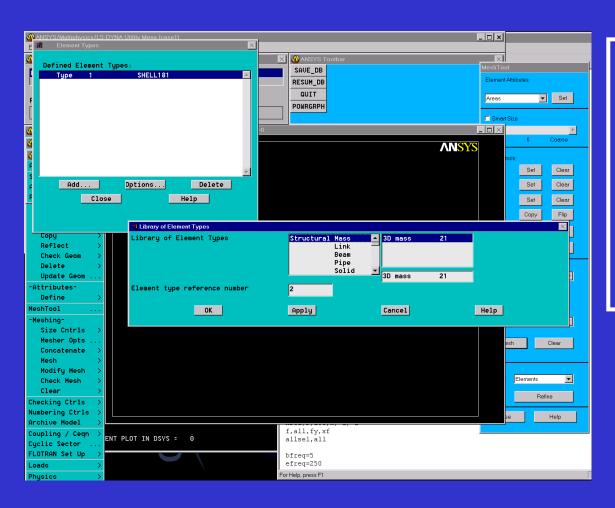
MeshTool ...

Mesh

## What's Happening:

You are going to mesh a user picked area.





#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Element Type> Add/Edit/Delete ... Add ...

## What's Happening:

Creating an element type 2 to be Structural Mass 21 (a 3-D mass).





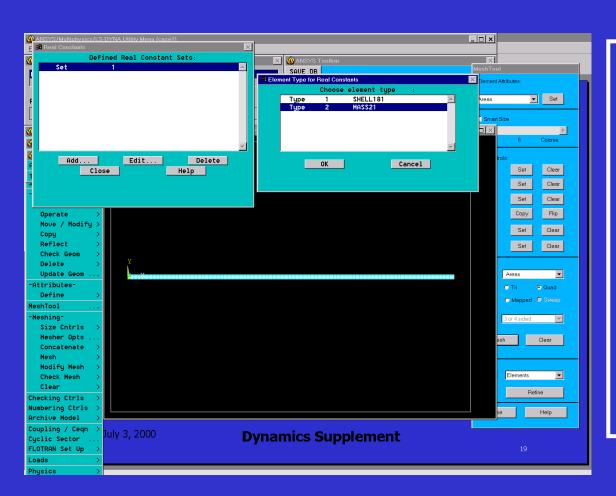
#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Element Type> Add/Edit/Delete ... Options...

## What's Happening:

Setting the keyoption 3 to be: 3-D with rotational inertia.





#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Preprocessor> Real Constant> Add/Edit/Delete ...

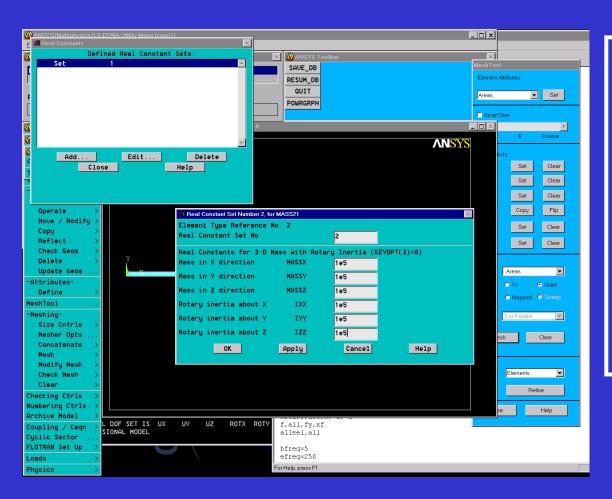
Add ...

Highlight Mass21 and pick OK

## What's Happening:

We are going to define the mass for the mass elements





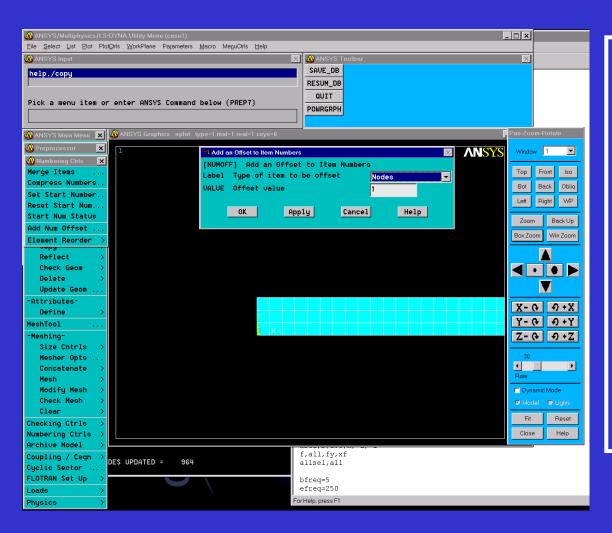
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### What's Happening:

Define the mass of the mass elements to be 1e5 (3-4 orders of magnitude larger then the structures mass, large mass).





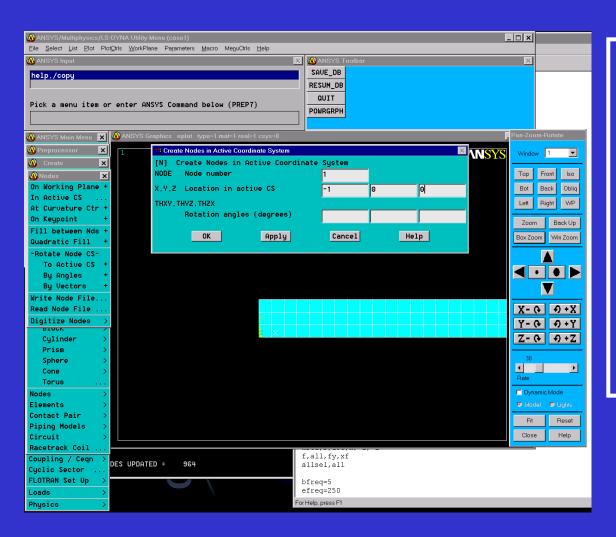
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Preprocessor> Numbering Cntrls> Add Num Offset ...

### What's Happening:

Offsetting all the nodes numbers in the base model by 1. This is done so the large mass, which will be defined next will have the lowest node number. This makes it easier to define the rigid link between the large mass and the structure.





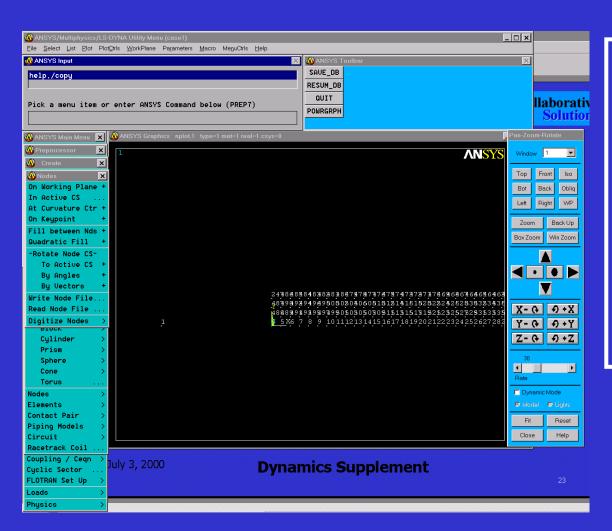
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Preprocessor> Create> Nodes> In Active CS ...

## What's Happening:

Defining nodes number 1 to be located at position x=-1, y=0, and z=0. This will become our large mass.





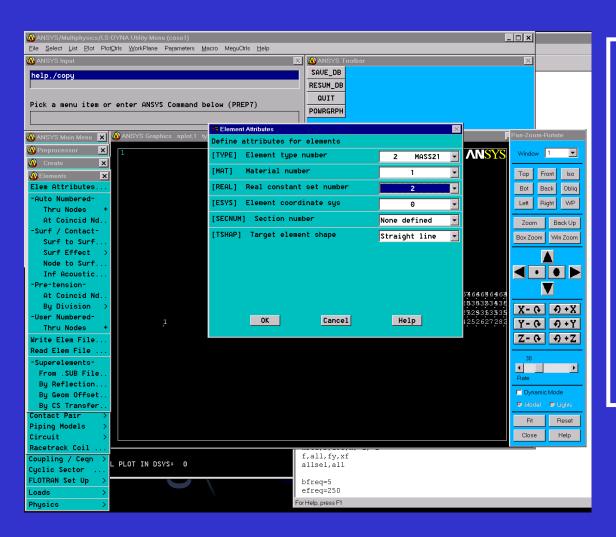
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## What's Happening:

This is a node plot, showing the structure and the node we just defined. The node we just defined will soon become our large mass.





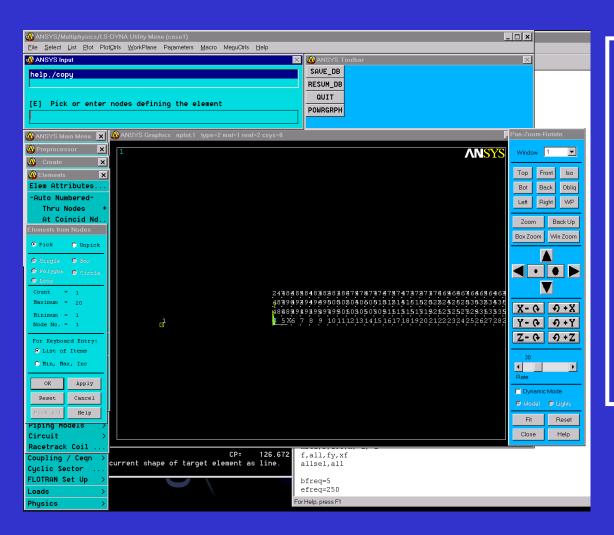
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Pre-processor> Create> Elements> Elem Attributes ...

### What's Happening:

Setting the default element attributes to be consistent with the large mass (type=2, real=2, mat=(it does not matter, mass elements do not you a material type)).





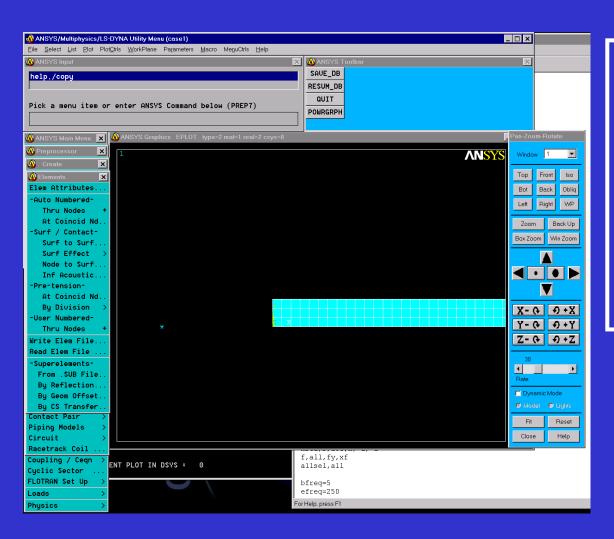
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Pre-processor> Create> Elements> Thru Nodes +

## What's Happening:

We will pick node 1, such that node 1 will now be associated with a mass element (element type 2) with real constant set 2. This is now our large mass.





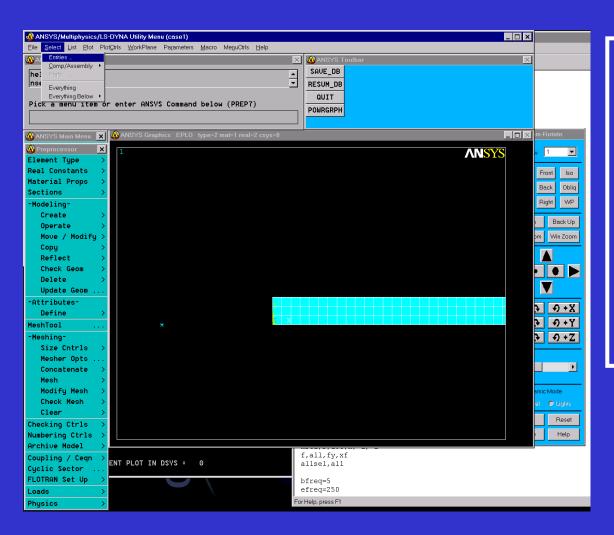
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## What's Happening:

Element plot. Zoomed in on the large mass.





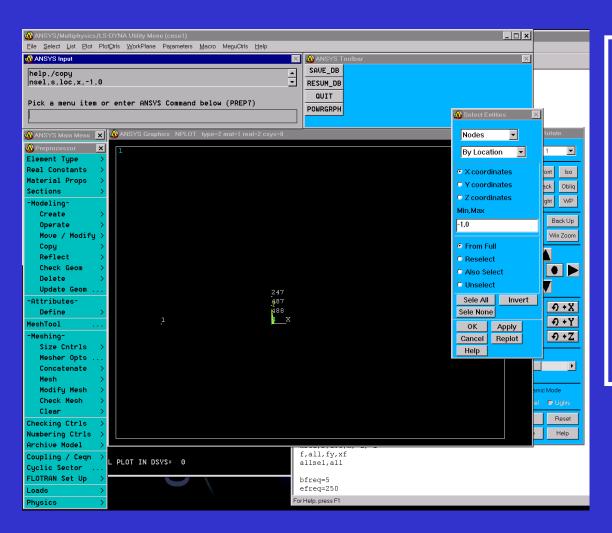
#### **Menu Picks:**

Utility Menu> Select> Entities ...

## What's Happening:

We are going to select the nodes associated with the large mass and the node where the large mass would connect to.





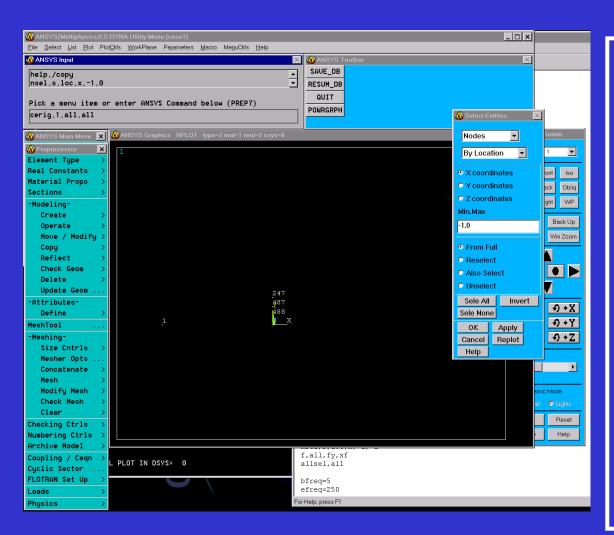
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## What's Happening:

We are going to select all the nodes from x=-1 to x=0. These represent the nodes making up the large mass and the base structure where the large mass attaches to.





#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Input (type the following command into the input window)

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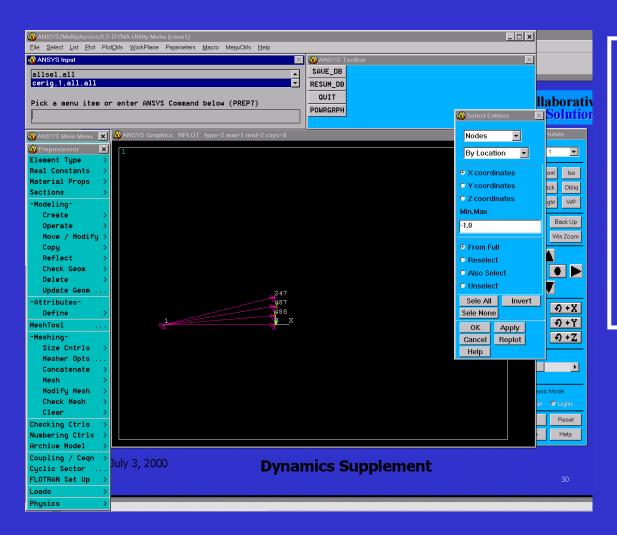
### What's Happening:

We are creating a rigid constraint between the large mass and the base structure.

Note node 1 is the master node, and has to be because will will be applying our load to it later I the forced vibration section of this exercise.

Note we typed in the command because if the GUI were used it requires the user to pick every node of the rigid region. For this model it would be trivial, but for a more realistic model it could mean quite a bit of picking.





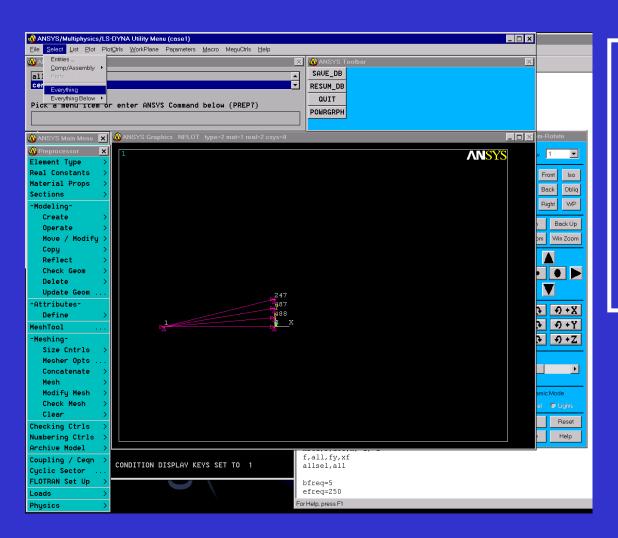
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### What's Happening:

Node plot, showing the constraint equations symbols.





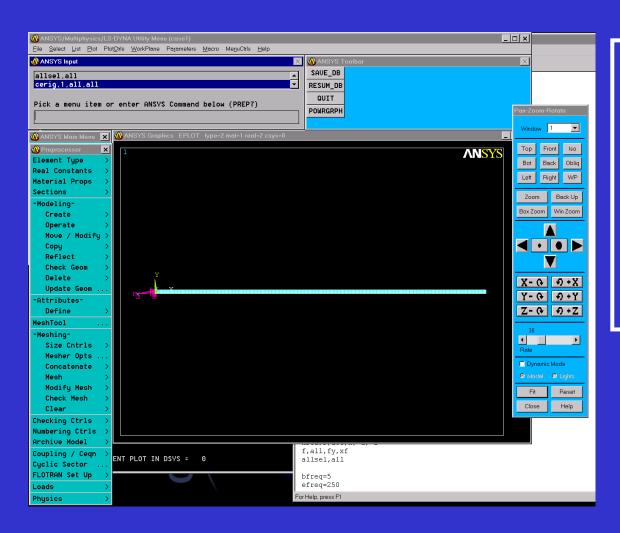
#### **Menu Picks:**

Utility Menu> Select> Everything

## What's Happening:

Selecting/Activating the entire model





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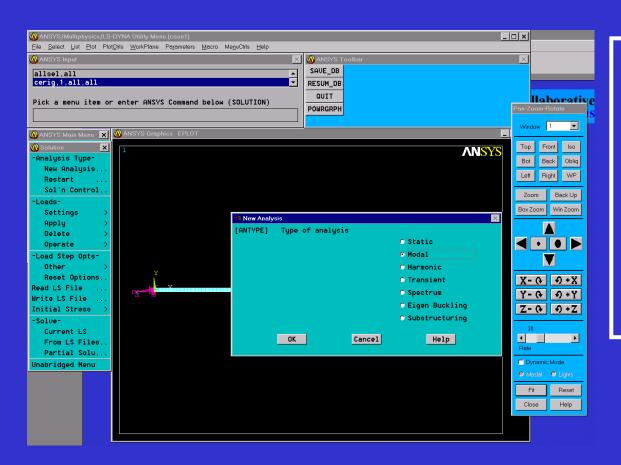
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## What's Happening:

Element plot of whole model, with the constraint equations symbols turned on.



# Run Free-Free Modal Analysis



#### **Menu Picks:**

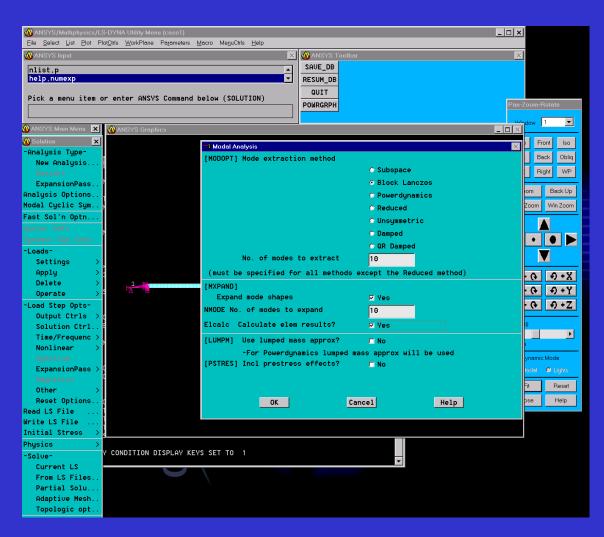
Main Menu> Solution>
New Analysis ...

### What's Happening:

Define the analysis type to be Modal.



## Run Free-Free Modal Analysis



#### **Menu Picks:**

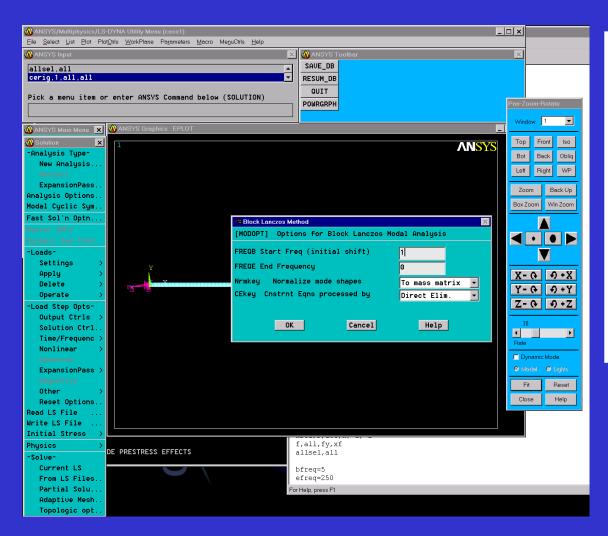
Main Menu> Solution> Analysis Options ...

### What's Happening:

Set the solver to use for modal extraction (block lanczos), set the number of modes to calculate (10), set the number of modes to expand (10), and set ANSYS to calculate element results.



# Run Free-Free Modal Analysis



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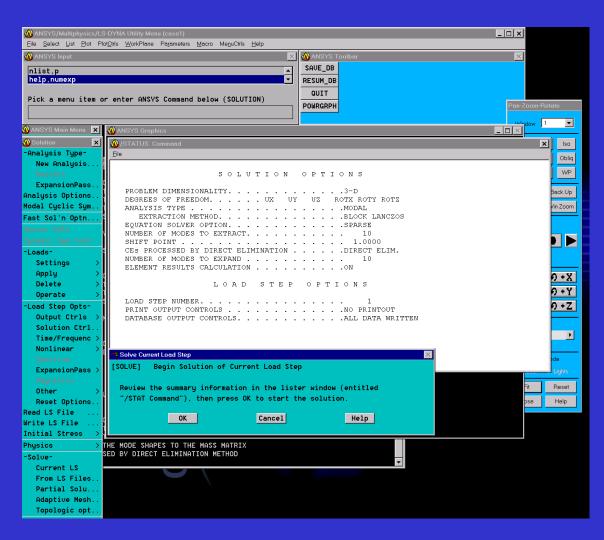
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### What's Happening:

Set the beginning frequency to be 1HZ. This is necessary because there are no constraints on the model, otherwise there would be 6 rigid body modes.



## Run Free-Free Modal Analysis



#### Menu Picks:

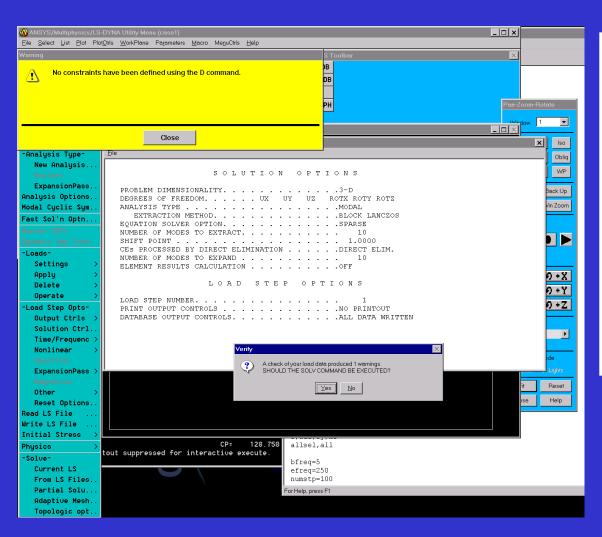
Main Menu> Solution> Current LS

## What's Happening:

Solving the model using the previously define settings.



## Run Free-Free Modal Analysis



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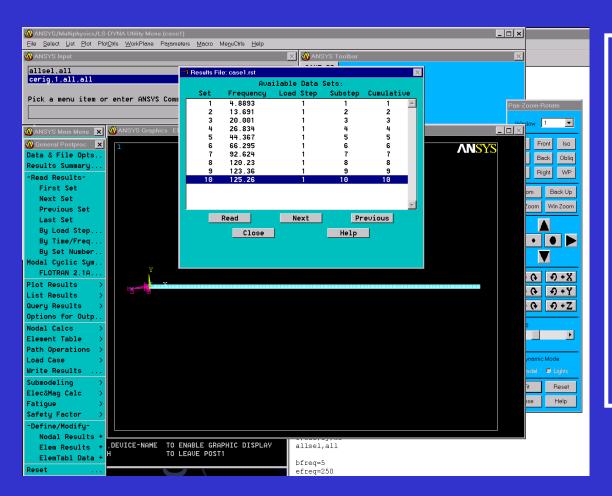
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### What's Happening:

There are no constraints define and ANSYS will warning you of this fact, but for this model we do not want any constraints (free-free modal analysis).



## Run Free-Free Modal Analysis



### **Menu Picks:**

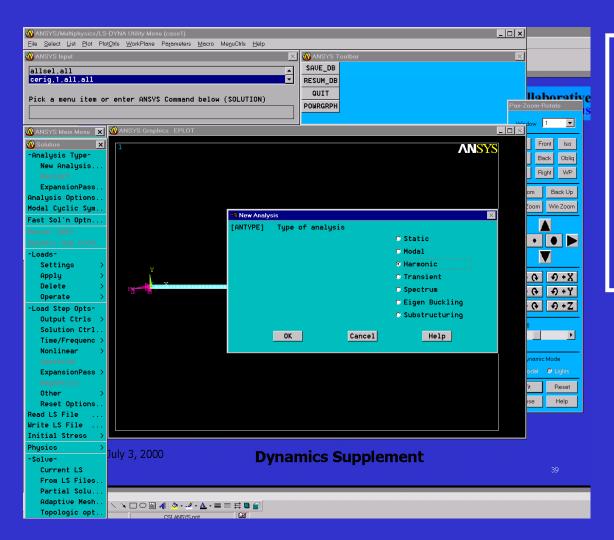
Main Menu> General Postprocessor> Results Summary ...

## What's Happening:

Listing the modes from the previous modal analysis.

Note this is a free-free modal analysis, but because our base structure is connected to such a massive structure it is as if the base structure is "fixed" where it connects to the large mass.





#### Menu Picks:

Main Menu> Solution>

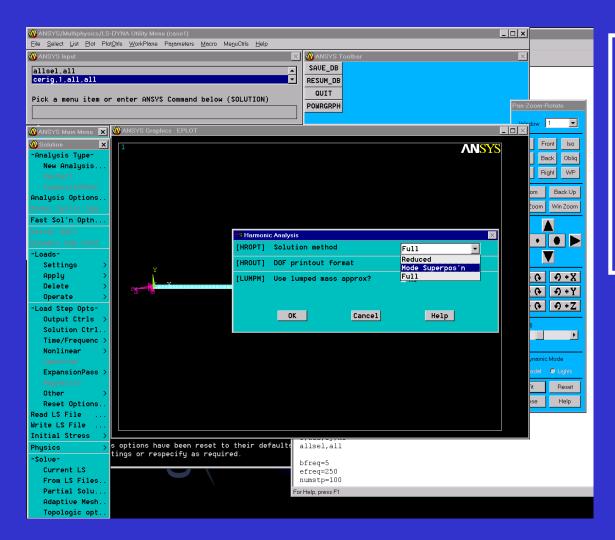
New Analysis ...

Harmonic

## What's Happening:

Setting the analysis type to be harmonic (forced vibrations).





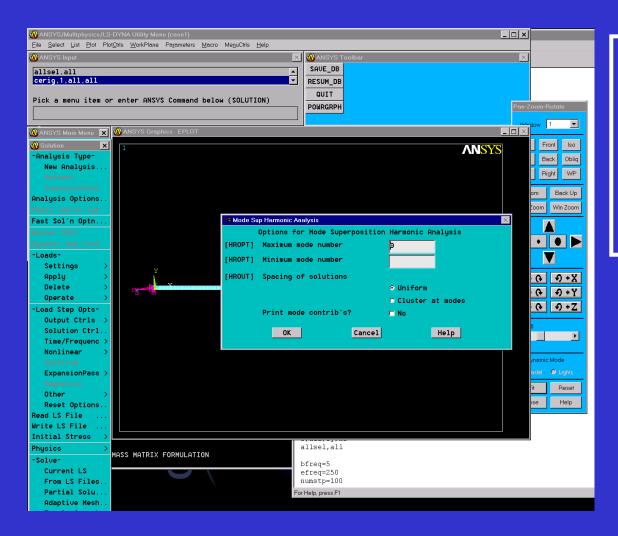
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Solution> Analysis Options ...

## What's Happening:

Setting modal super position to be the numerical technique of calculating the harmonic response.





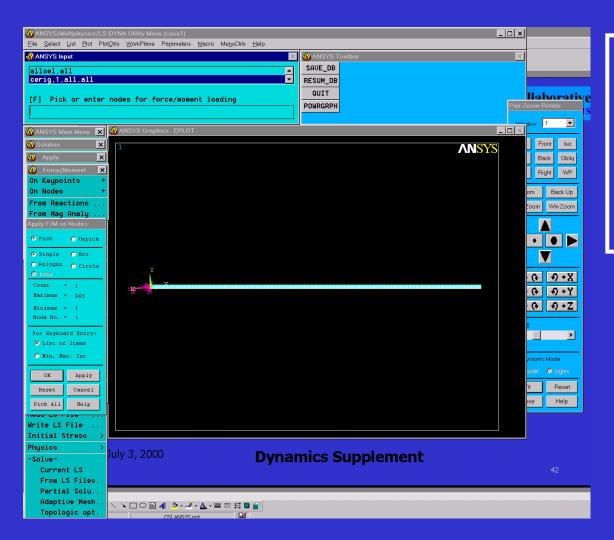
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## What's Happening:

Setting the modes to use for modal super position. By using the default ANSYS will use all the modes.





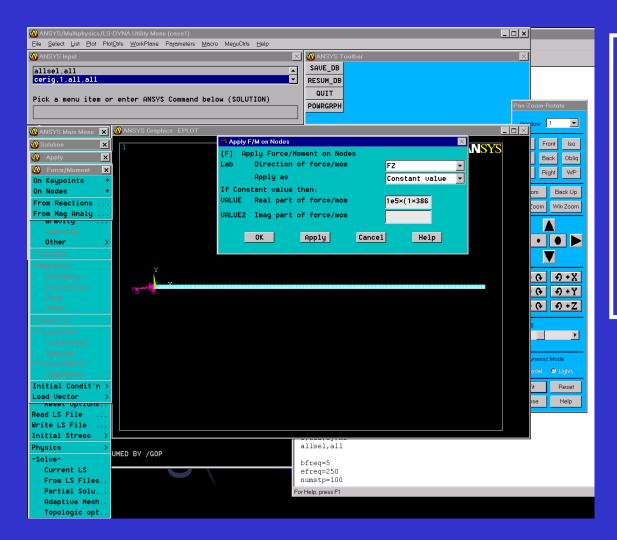
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Solution>Apply> Force/Moment> On Node ...

## What's Happening:

Pick the node associated with the large mass.





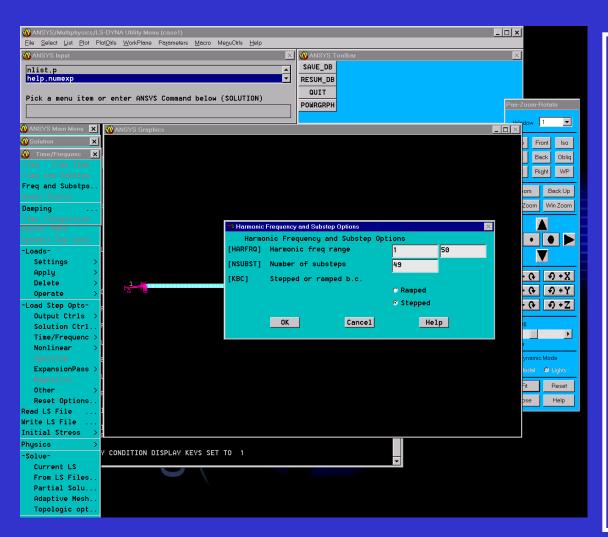
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### What's Happening:

Applying a force in the z-direction. The force is the amplitude of the harmonic load. The value of force will be related to the desired acceleration (f=ma). In this example we are applying 1 g of acceleration.





#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Solution> Time Frequency> Freq and Substeps ...

## What's Happening:

Setting the frequency sweep range and step size.

Note the beginning frequency will be as follows:

sfreq=bfreq+(efreq-bfreq)/nsub

where,

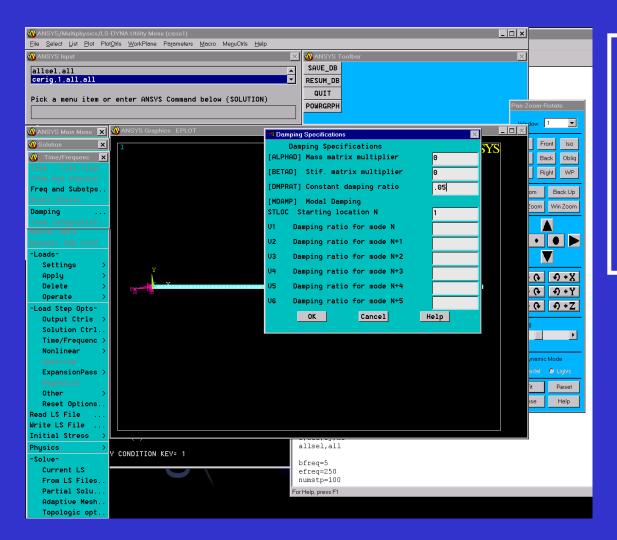
sfreq=1st freq solved for

bfreq=1st freq in the range command

efreq=last freq solved for and the 2nd freq in the range command

nsub= the number of total freq to solve for.





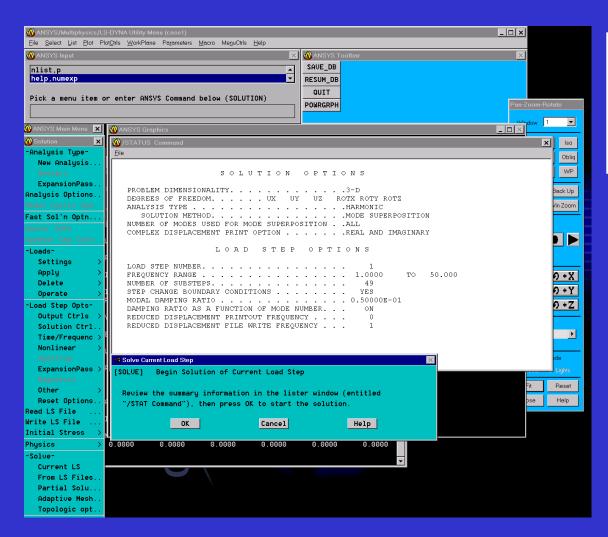
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Solution>Time Frequency> Damping ...

## What's Happening:

Setting the constant damping ratio. For our example we are setting this to be .05 of 5%.





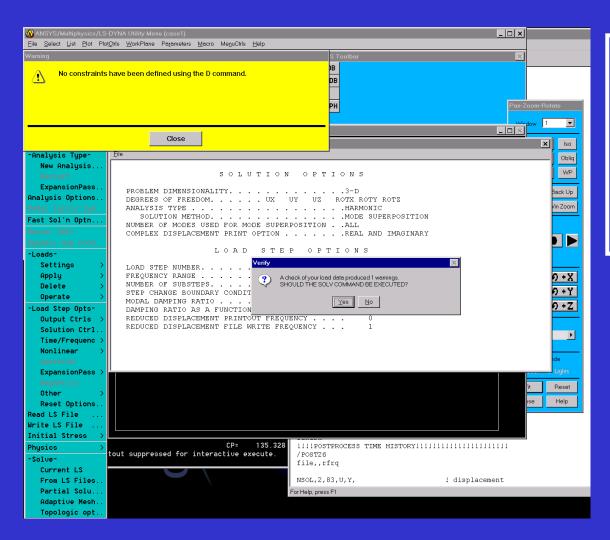
#### Menu Picks:

Main Menu> Solution>Current LS

## What's Happening:

Solving the harmonic analysis.





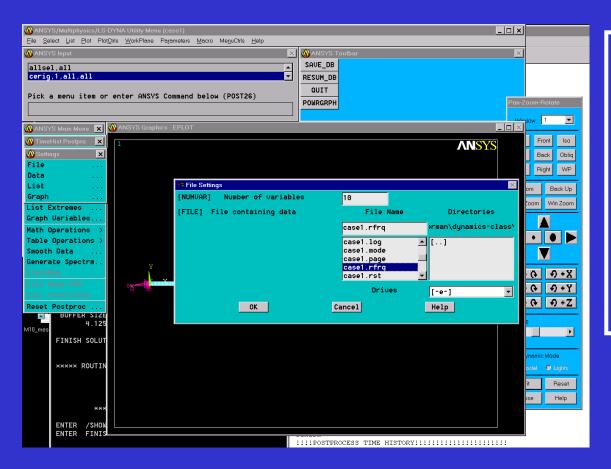
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## What's Happening:

ANSYS is warning the user that there are no displacement constraints set. We know this, and it is OK for this model.





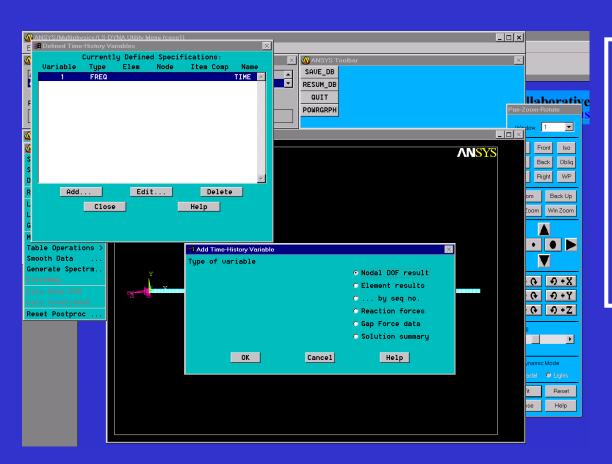
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> TimeHistory
Postprocessor> Settings> File...

## What's Happening:

Setting the .rfrq file as the file the post processor uses. This is necessary because the default file is the .rst file and because we use modal super position and have not expanded the result all we have is a .rfrq file.





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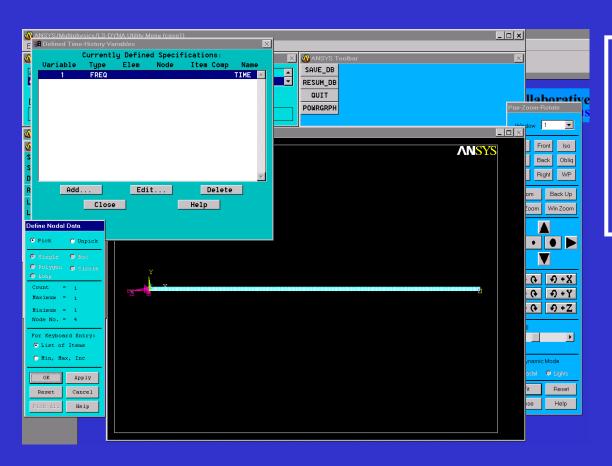
Main Menu> TimeHistory
Postprocessor> Define Variables ...

Nodal DOF results

## What's Happening:

We are defining results at a node for later post processing. This will allow us to plot x-y plot of results vs.. frequency.





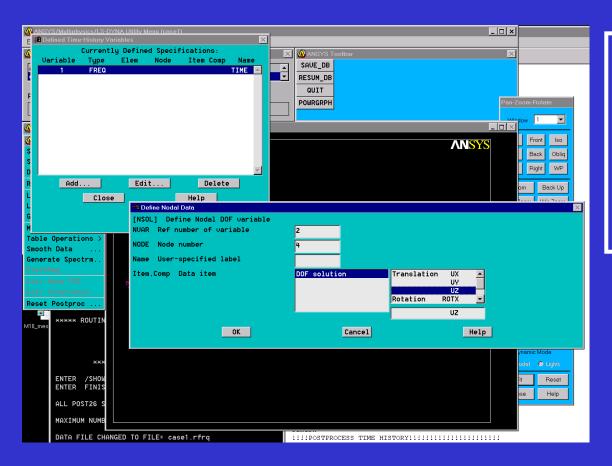
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## What's Happening:

Picking the node we would like to define the results of.





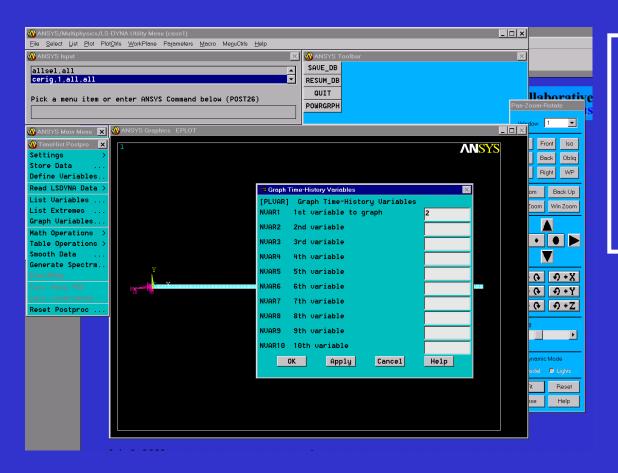
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## What's Happening:

Defining the specific result we would like to define. In this example we are defining displacement in the z direction.





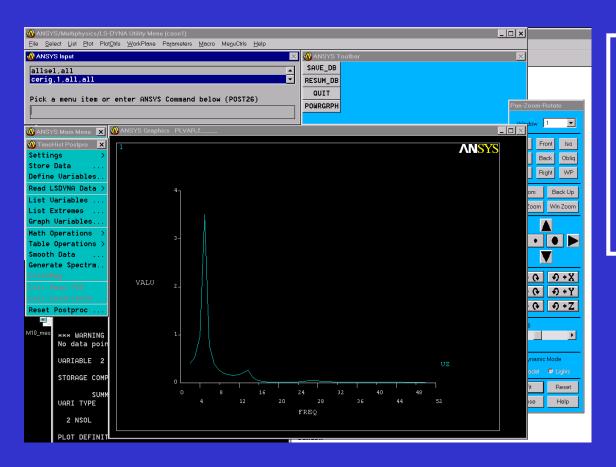
#### Menu Picks:

Main Menu> TimeHistory
Postprocessor> Graph Variables ...

## What's Happening:

Graphing the results of the variable we had just defined.





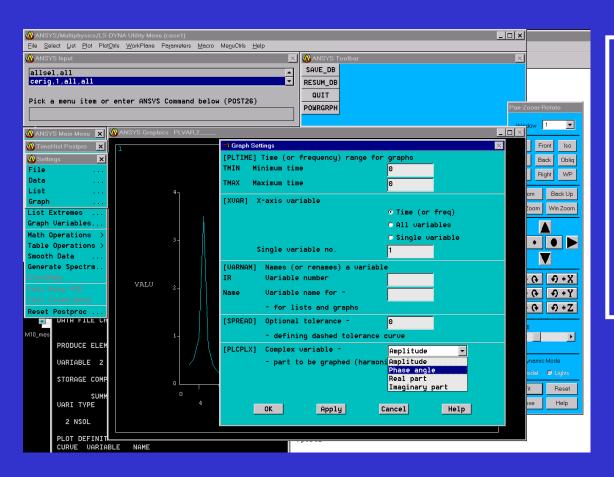
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## What's Happening:

x-y plot of response (amplitude) vs. frequency. For this example this is UZ Vs. Frequency.





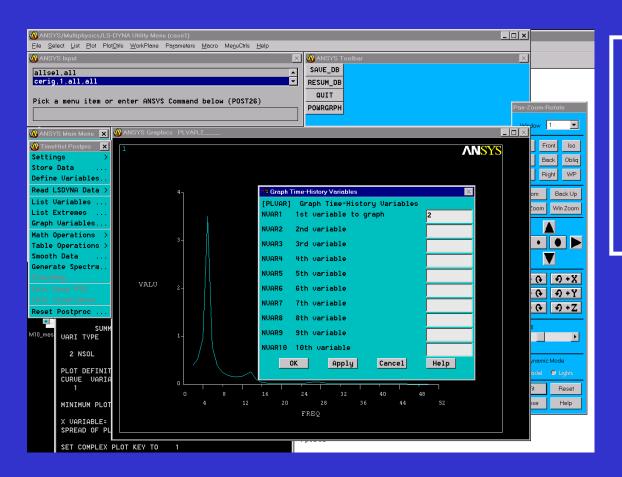
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> TimeHistory
Postprocessor> Settings> Graph ...

## What's Happening:

The previous plot was amplitude (the default) of the UZ vs. frequency. By changing from amplitude to phase angle you can plot phase angle of UZ vs. frequency.





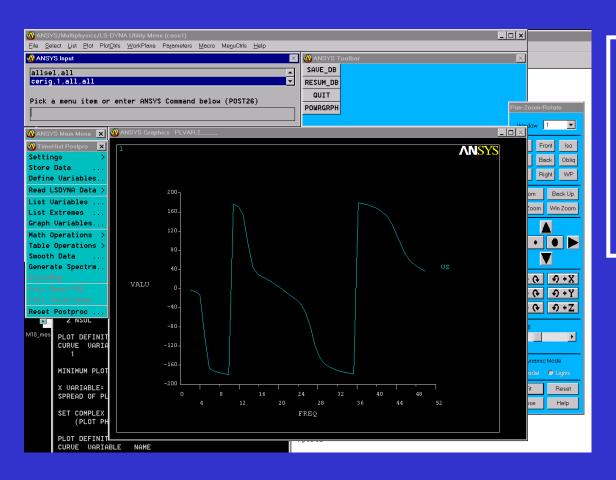
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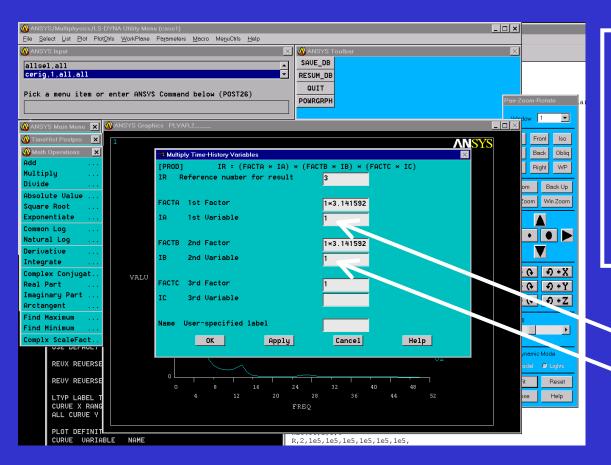
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## What's Happening:

x-y plot of response (phase angle) vs. frequency. For this example this is UZ Vs. Frequency.





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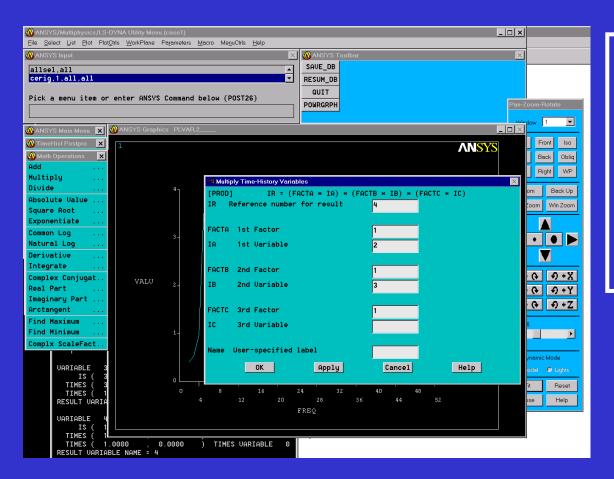
ANSYS Main Menu> Time History Postprocessor> Math Operations> Multiply ...

## What's Happening:

Creating a variable that is equal to frequency squared in radians.

Should be 2.0





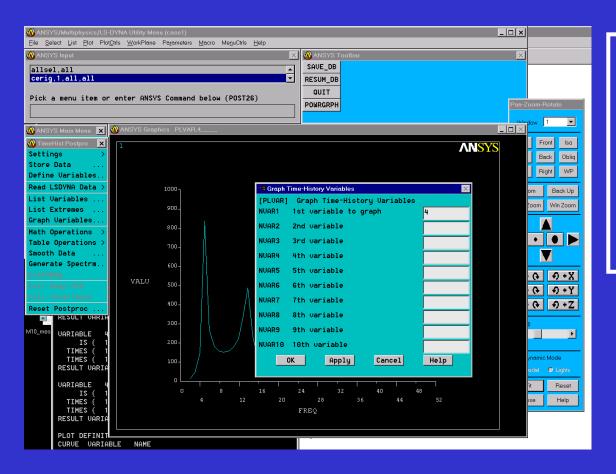
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## What's Happening:

Creating a variable that is equal to UZ (variable 2) times frequency squared. This will be acceleration.





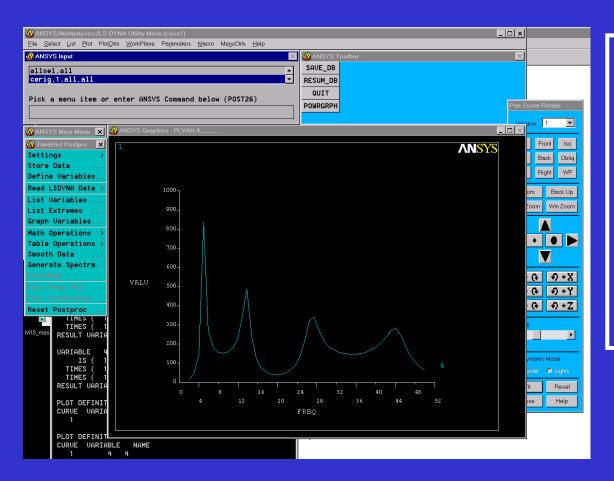
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ANSYS Main Menu> Time History Postprocessor> Graph Variables ...

## What's Happening:

Plotting variable 4 (this was previously created). This will result in a plot of acceleration vs. frequency.





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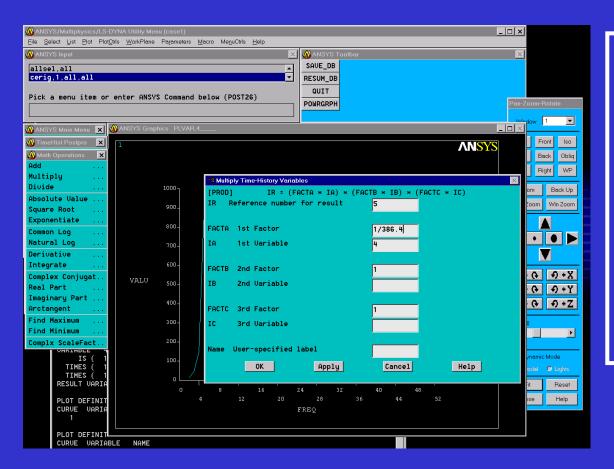
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## What's Happening:

x-y plot of response (amplitude) vs. frequency. For this example this is acceleration Vs. Frequency.

Note: The step of setting the graph back to amplitude was not shown. If you did not do this please set the graphs back to amplitude.





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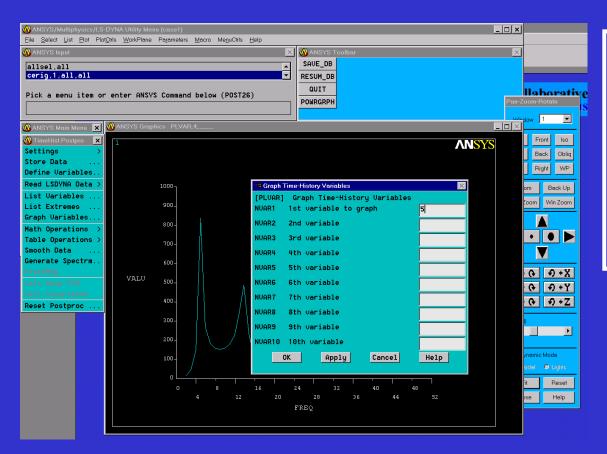
ANSYS Main Menu> Time History Postprocessor> Math Operations> Multiply ...

## What's Happening:

Creating a variable that is equal to UZ (variable 2) times frequency squared times 1/gravity. This will be g's.

Note depending on the system of unit being used the user may have to use different values of gravity.





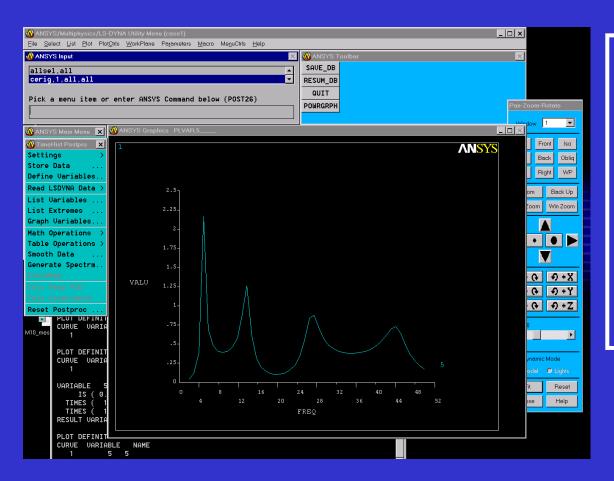
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ANSYS Main Menu> Time History Postprocessor> Graph Variables ...

## What's Happening:

Plotting variable 5 (this was previously created). This will result in a plot of g's vs. frequency.





### **Menu Picks:**

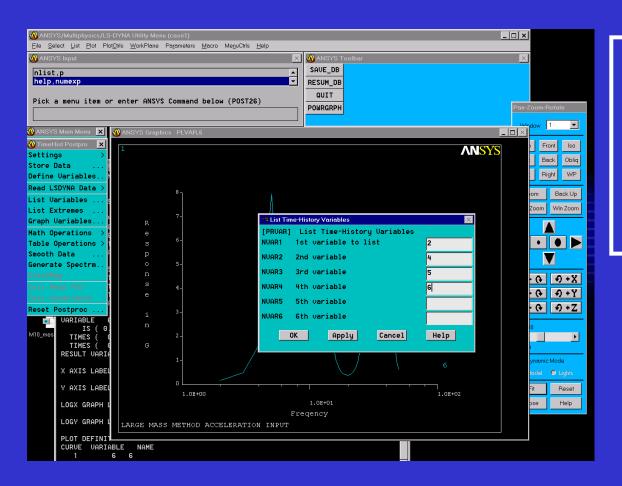
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## What's Happening:

x-y plot of response (amplitude) vs. frequency. For this example this is g's Vs. Frequency.

Note: The step of setting the graph back to amplitude was not shown. If you did not do this please set the graphs back to amplitude.





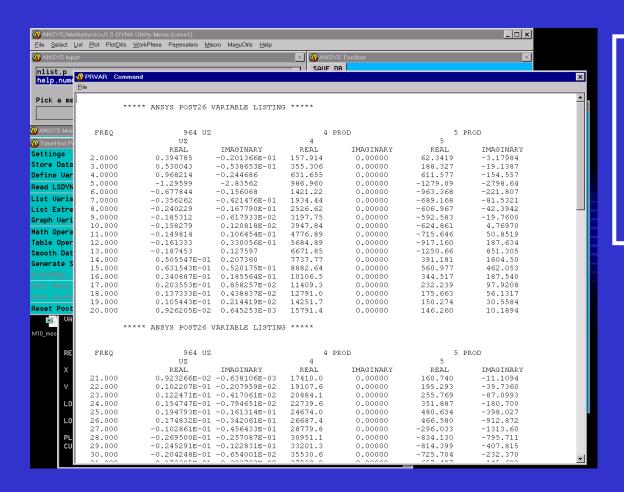
#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Time History Postprocessor> List Variables ...

## What's Happening:

Creating a list of all the variables create thus far in this example.





#### **Menu Picks:**

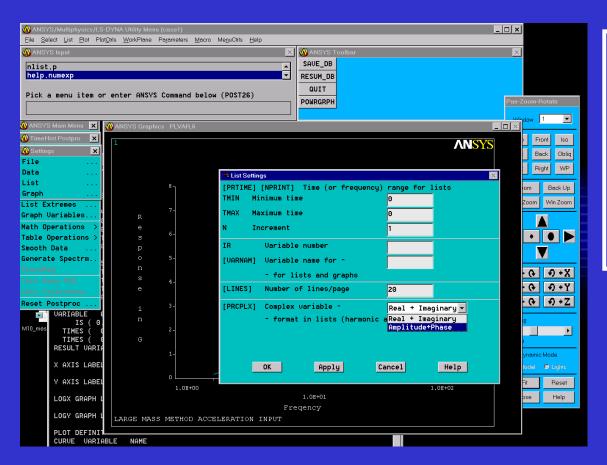
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## What's Happening:

List of all the variables created thus far.

Note the list is real and imaginary.





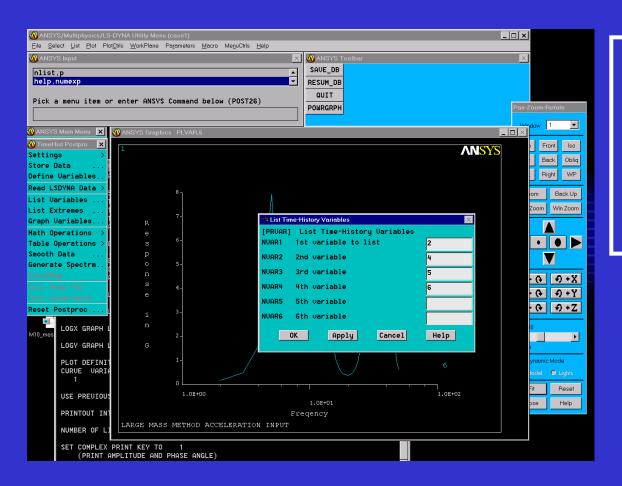
#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> TimeHistory
Postprocessor> Settings> List ...

## What's Happening:

The previous list was real and imaginary. We are setting subsequent list to be amplitude and phase.





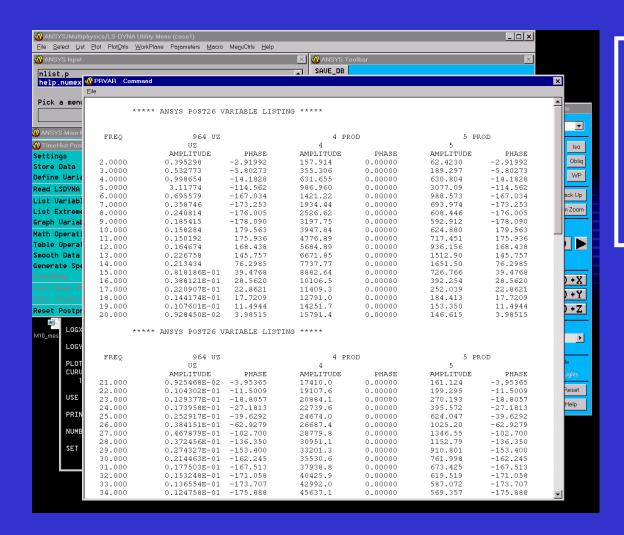
#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu> Time History Postprocessor> List Variables ...

## What's Happening:

Creating a list of all the variables create thus far in this example.





#### **Menu Picks:**

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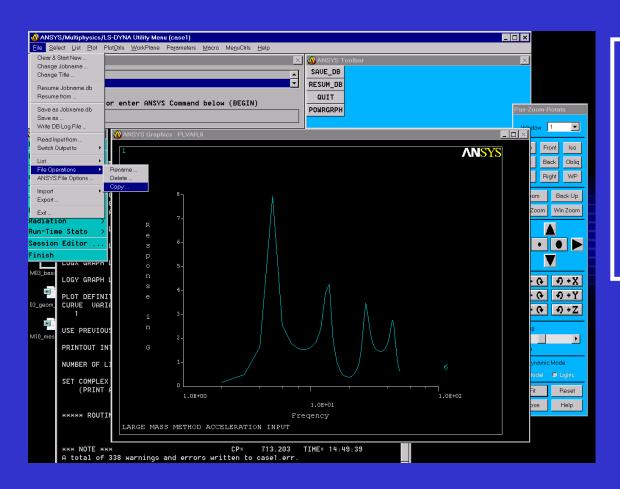
## What's Happening:

List of all the variables created thus far.

Note the list is amplitude and phase.



# Copy Modal Results



#### **Menu Picks:**

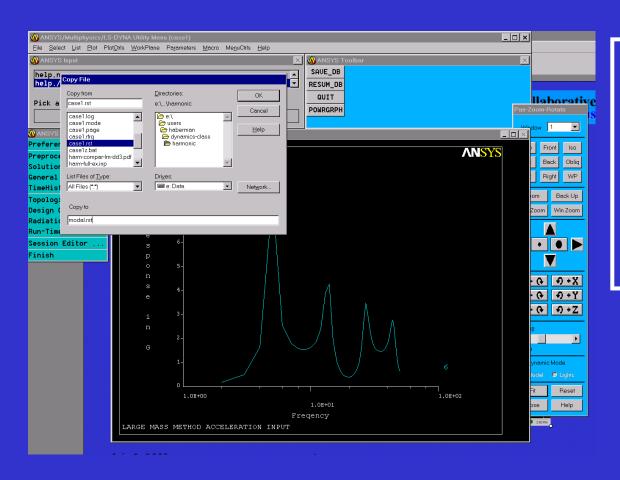
Utility Menu> File Operations> Copy ...

## What's Happening:

We are going to copy the .rst file to a different name. This is so the modal results are not overwritten when we expand the harmonic results.



# Copy Modal Results



### Menu Picks:

Continuation of the previous slide.

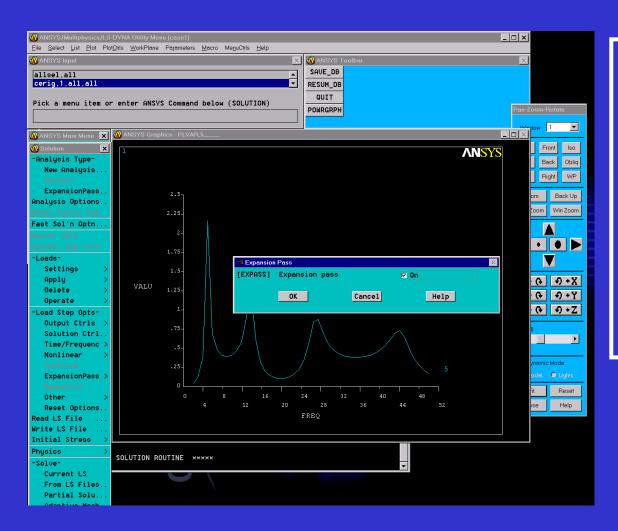
## What's Happening:

Writing the modal .rst file to a file called modal.rst.

Note for your own models the file you copy the modal results to is arbitrary.



# Expand Frequency Vs. Response Results in .rst file



#### Menu Picks:

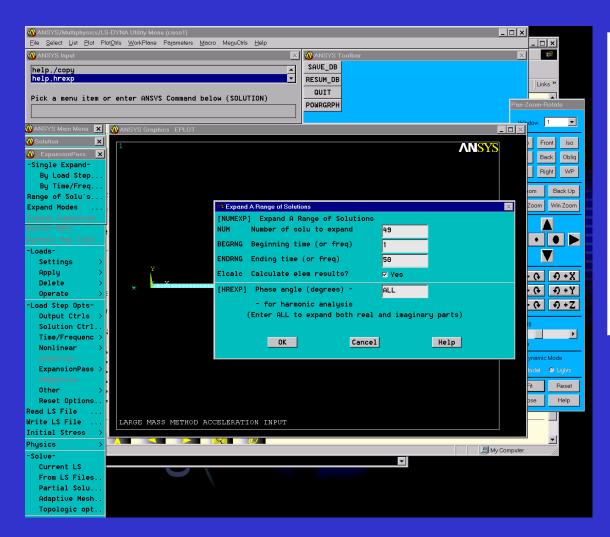
Main Menu> Solution> ExpansionPass ...

## What's Happening:

Turning on the expansion pass, so we can expand the harmonic analysis.



# Expand Frequency Vs. Response Results in .rst file



#### **Menu Picks:**

Main Menu> Solution>

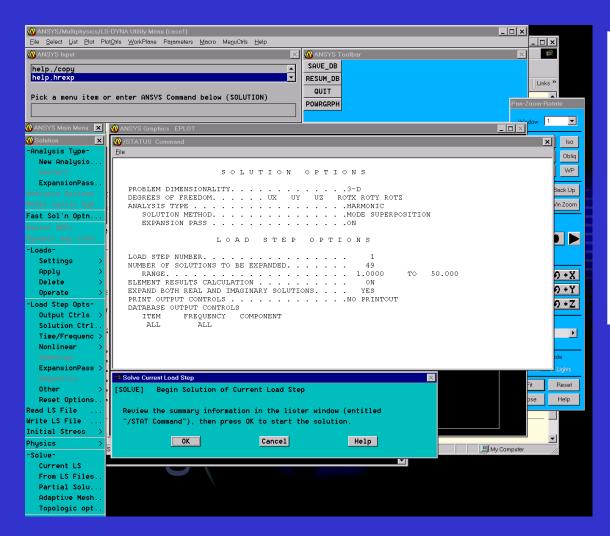
ExpansionPass> Range of Solu's ...

## What's Happening:

Setting a range of solutions to expand.



# Expand Frequency Vs. Response Results in .rst file



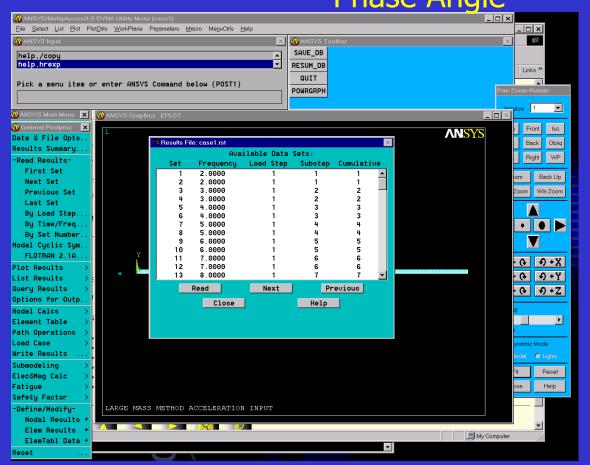
#### Menu Picks:

Main Menu> Solution> Current LS ...

### What's Happening:

Expanding the results from the previous harmonic analysis.





### **Menu Picks:**

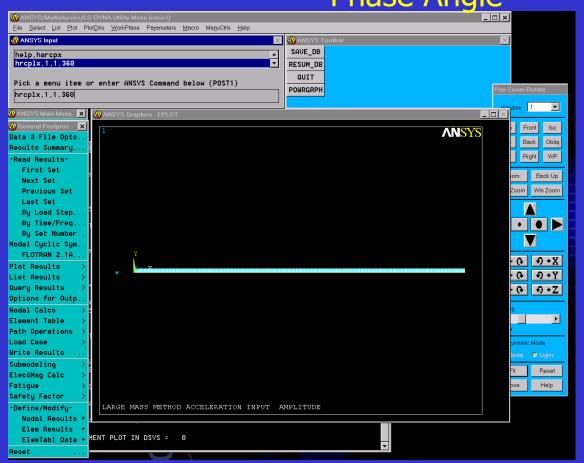
ANSYS Main Menu>General Post Processor> Results Summary ...

## What's Happening:

Expanded results from the harmonic analysis.

Note we have both real and imaginary results





### **Menu Picks:**

**ANSYS Input** 

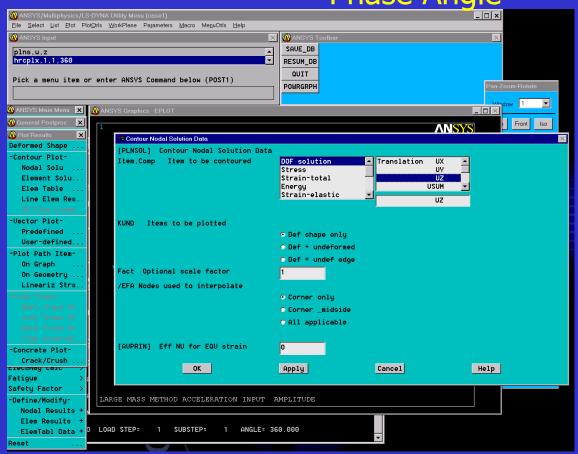
hrcplx,1,1,360

## What's Happening:

Combining the real and imaginary SRSS.

Note it may not be appropriate to combine the real and imaginary as SRSS. For those case it is required to get the phase angle are the node of interest and combine the real and imaginary with the appropriate phase angle.





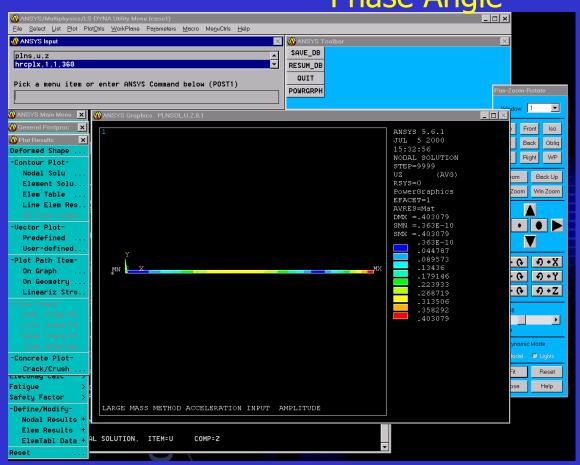
#### **Menu Picks:**

ANSYS Main Menu>General Post
Processor> Plot Results> Nodal Solu ...

## What's Happening:

Plot the SRSS results.





### **Menu Picks:**

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## What's Happening:

Plot of SRSS UZ displacement.