



ANSYS Workbench SwiftComp GUI

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- Overview



- **Name of the app: ANSYS Workbench SwiftComp GUI**
- **Target application: Mechanical and Design Modeler**
- **Description: It is a plugin to power ANSYS with efficient high-fidelity multiscale modeling for composites. It implements a true multiscale theory which assures the best models at a given level of efficiency to capture both anisotropy and heterogeneity of composites at the microscopic scale or any other scale of user's interest. It enables engineers to model composites as a black aluminum, capturing details as needed and affordable. This saves orders of magnitude in computing time and resources without sacrificing accuracy, while enabling engineers to tackle complex problems effectively.**

The version of the App and the supported versions of ANSYS are the ones indicated on the App Store.

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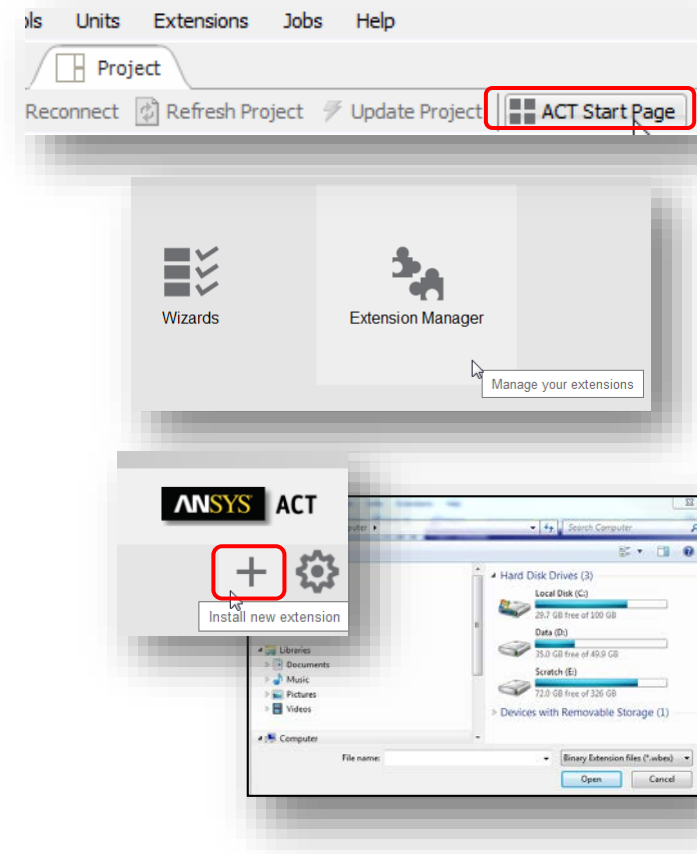
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Binary App Installation (1)

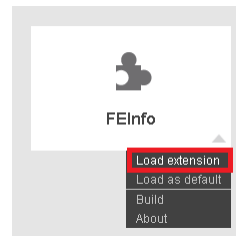
Installing from the ACT Start Page:

1. From the project page, select the “**ACT Start Page**” option
2. Click on “Extension Manager”
3. Press “+” symbol in the top right corner
4. It will open a file dialog to select the appropriate “***.wbex**” binary file
5. The extension is installed



Loading the extension:

1. From the Extension Manager, click on your extension and choose ‘Load Extension’
2. The extension is loaded



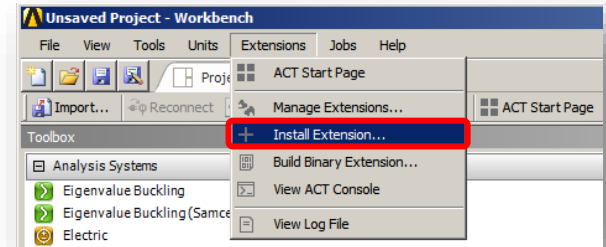
Notes:

- The extension to be installed will be stored in the following location: %AppData%\Ansys\[version]\ACT\extensions
- The installation will create a folder in this location, in addition to the .wbex file
- Example for [version]: v180

Binary App Installation (2)

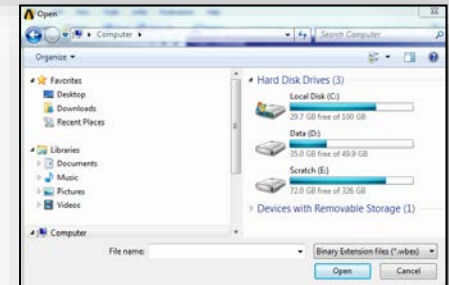
Installing from the Extensions menu:

1. From the Extensions menu, select the “*Install Extension...*” option
2. It will open a file dialog to select the appropriate “**.wbex*” binary file
3. Click “*Open*” to install the extension



Loading the extension:

1. From the Extension Manager, click on your extension and choose ‘Load Extension’
2. The extension is loaded

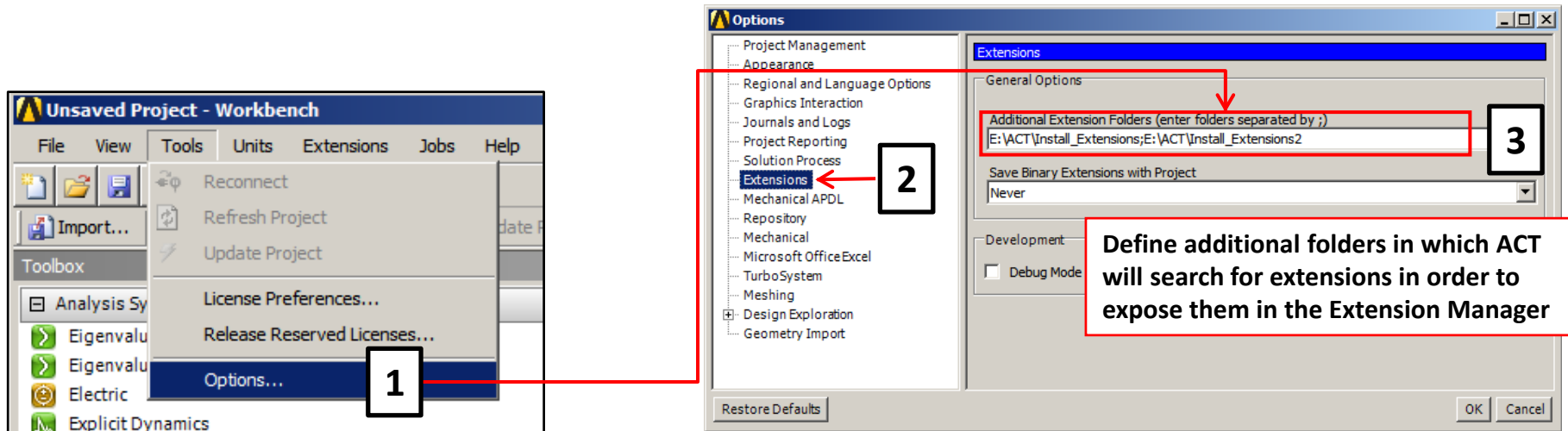


Notes:

- The extension to be installed will be stored in the following location: %AppData%\Ansys\[version]\ACT\extensions
- The installation will create a folder in this location, in addition to the .wbex file

Binary App Installation (3)

- Once the binary extension is installed at default location, one can move the *.wbex and the folder to any other location
 - Default path: `%AppData%\Ansys\[version]\ACT\extensions`
 - New path: Any location on your machine, shared drive etc.
- All users interested in using the extension need to include that path in their Workbench Options
 - In the **"Tools"** menu, select the **"Options..."**
 - Select **"Extensions"** in the pop up panel
 - Add the path under **"Additional Extensions Folder ..."**

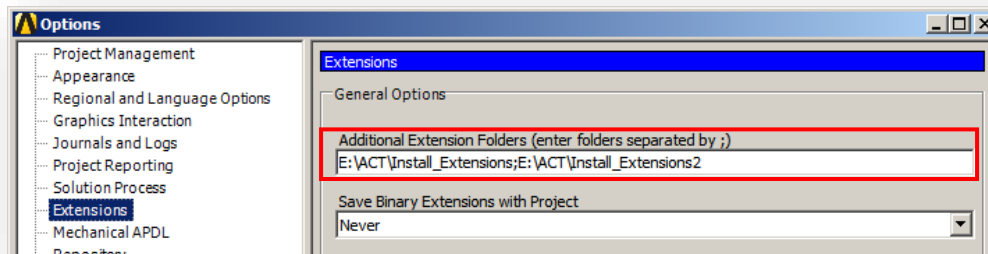


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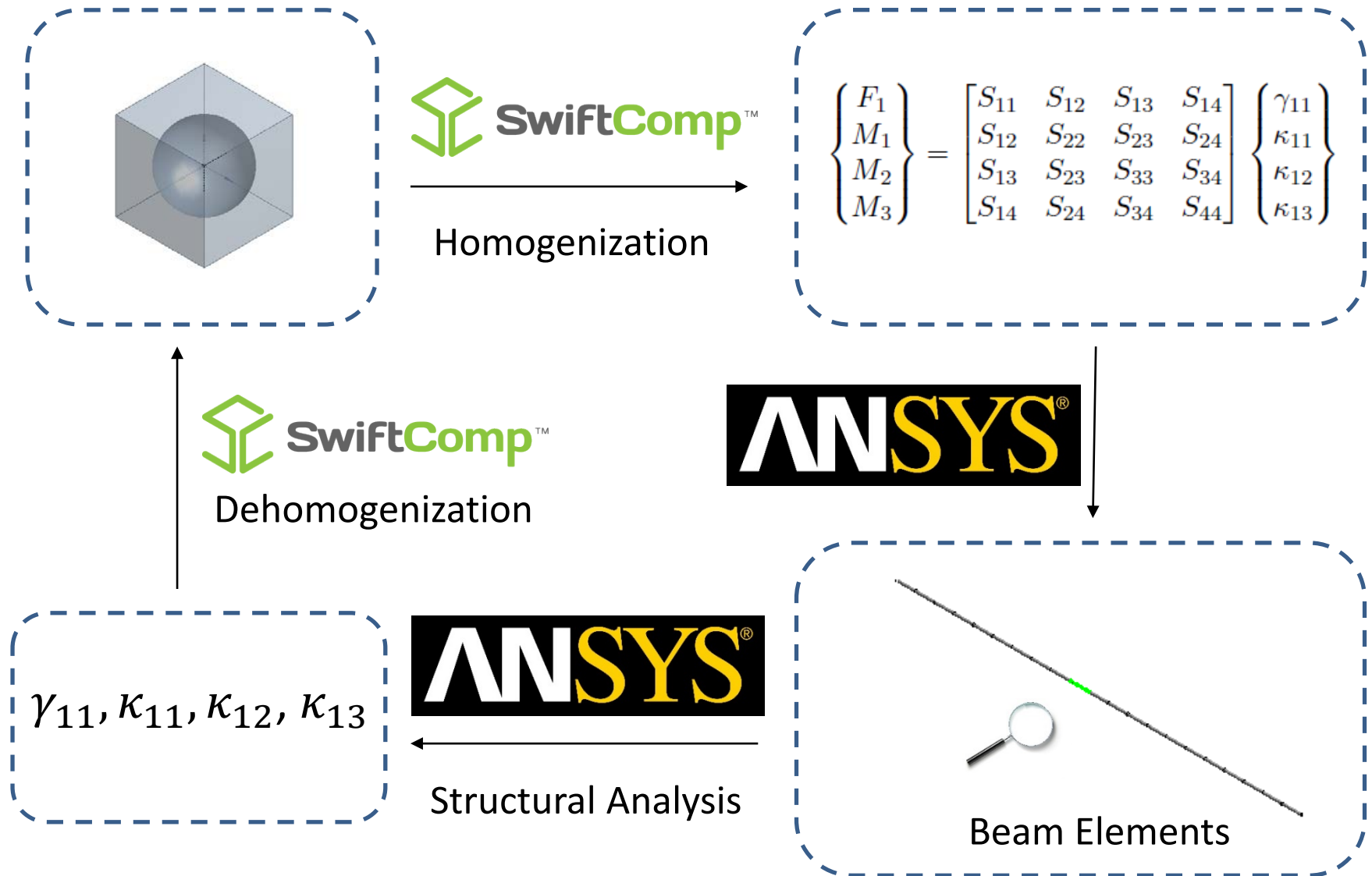
- During the scan of the available extensions, the folders will be analyzed according to the following order:
 - The application data folder(e.g. `%AppData%\Ansys\[version]\ACT\extensions`)
 - The additional folders defined in the "Additional Extension Folders" property
 - The installation folder
 - The "extensions" folder part of the current Workbench project (if the project was previously saved with the extension)
- If an extension is available in more than one of these locations, the 1st one according to the scan order is used

Scripted App Installation (source code)

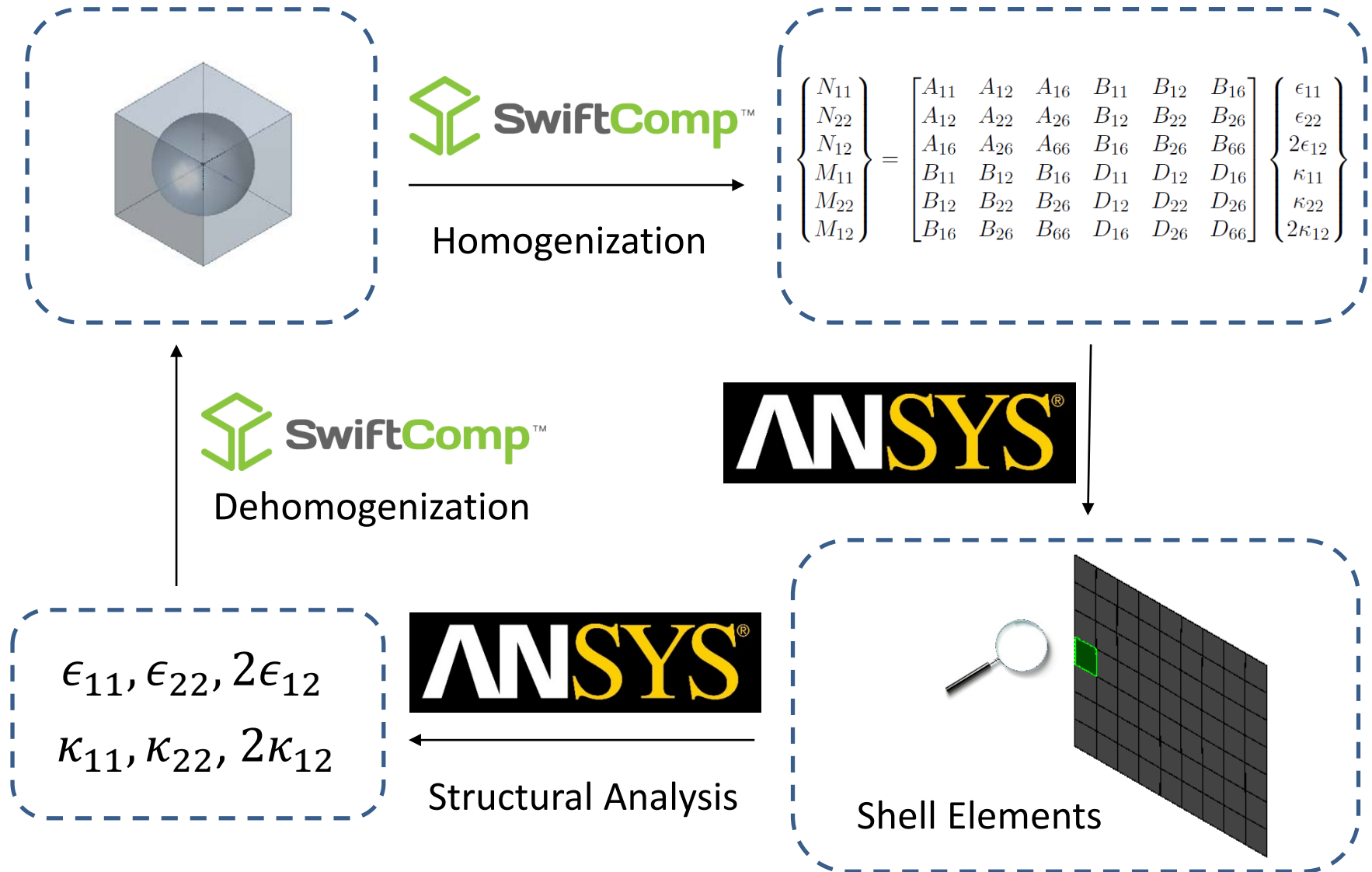
- Paste the XML file and the corresponding folder on your computer. You can paste them either:
 - In the default path: *%AppData%\Ansys\[version]\ACT\extensions*
 - In a user defined path: any location on your machine, shared drive etc.
- If the files are located in the default path, the extension is automatically available in the Extension Manager
- If the files are in a user defined path, it is required to define the “Additional Extension Folder” under Workbench menu (Tools → Options...) to make it available in the Extension Manager:



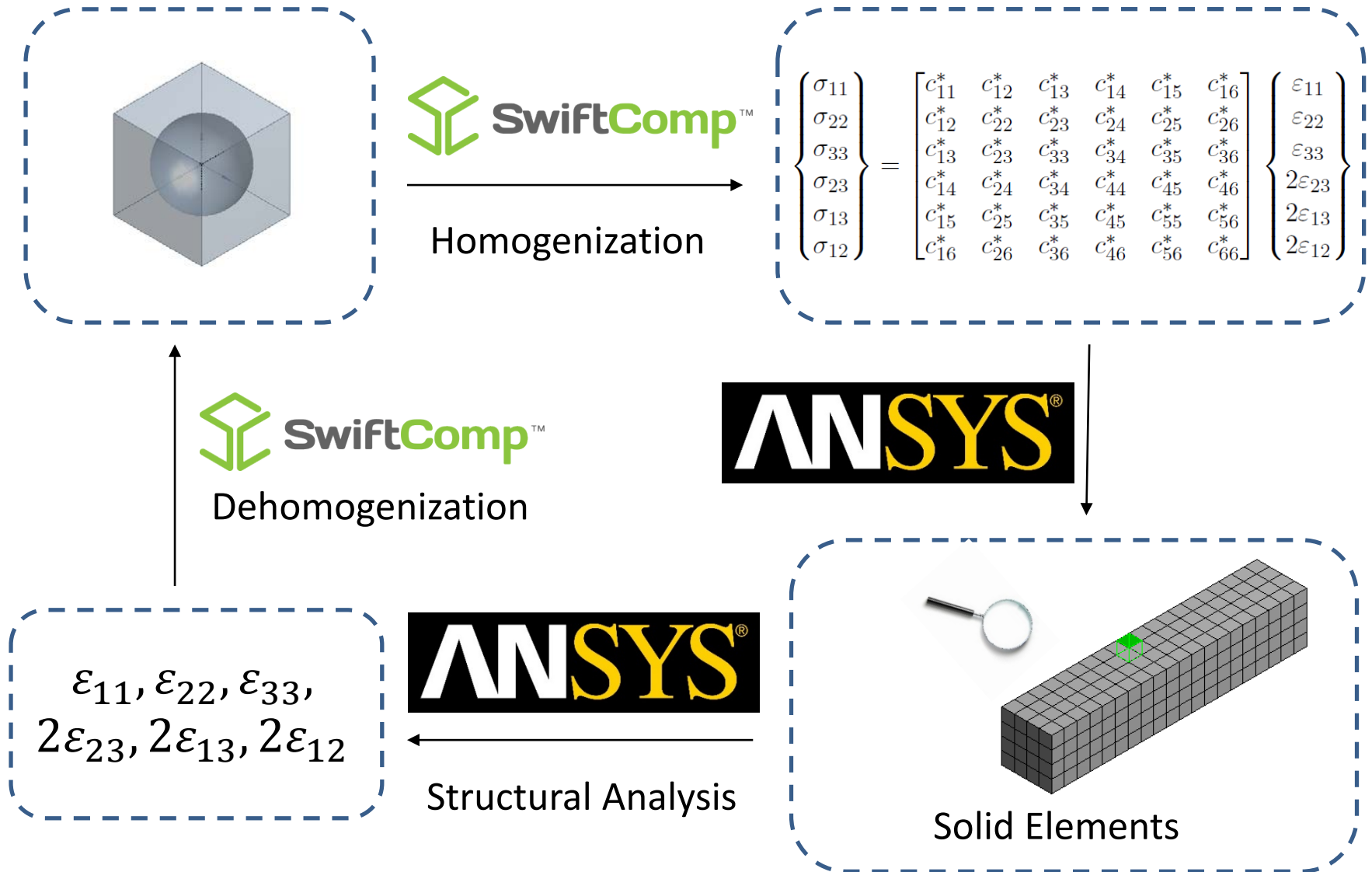
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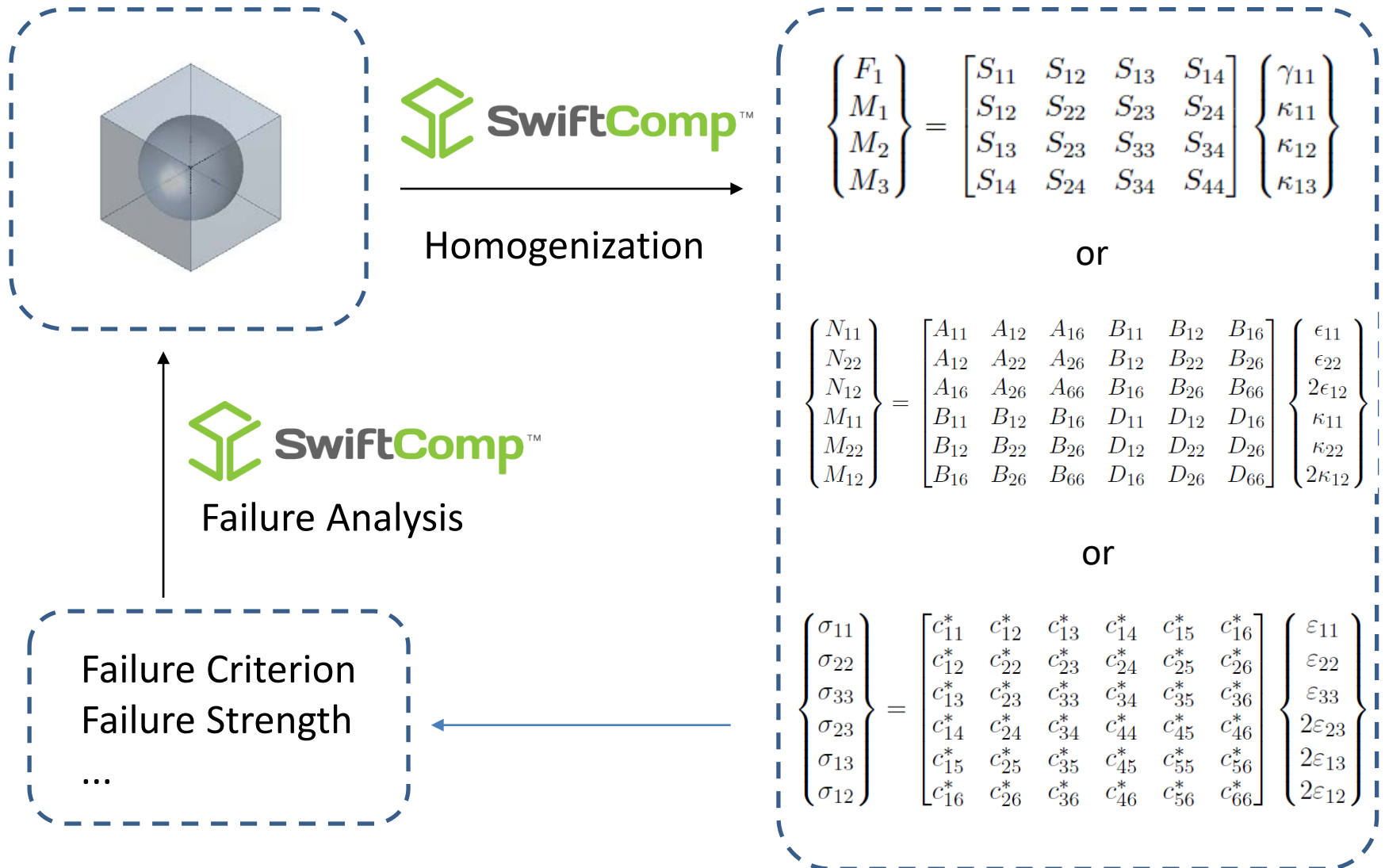
Multiscale Modeling Workflow for Plate Like Structure



Multiscale Modeling Workflow for 3D Structure



Multiscale Modeling Workflow for Failure Analysis



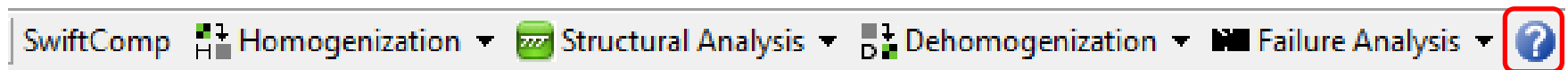
References

- User Manual

For the details, please refer the user manual which is located at download package

...\doc\User_Manual.pdf

You can also open the same document from SwiftComp extension tool as shown below figure.



- Reference Paper

1. Yu, W.: "A Unified Theory for Constitutive Modeling of Composites," Journal of Mechanics of Materials and Structures, vol. 11, no. 4, 2016, pp. 379-411.

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