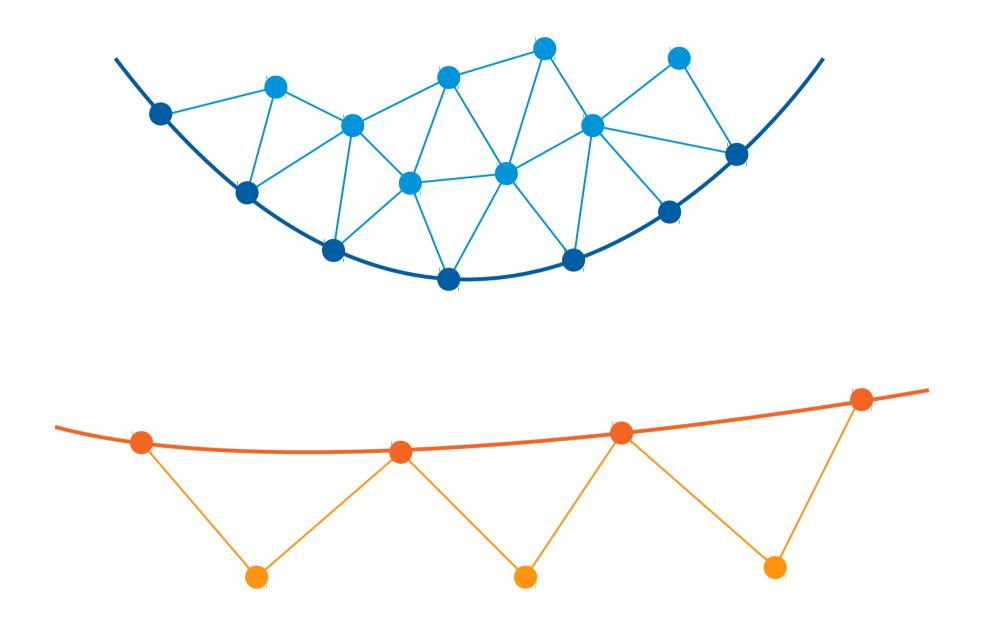
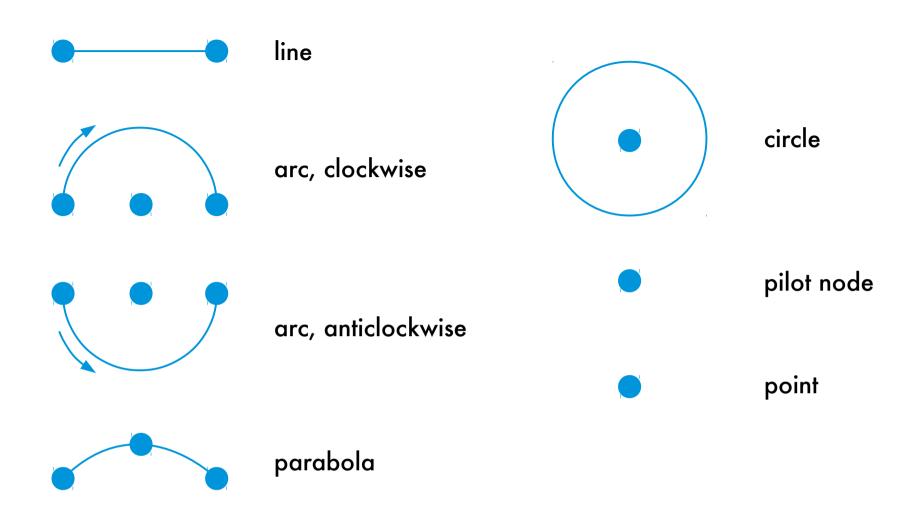
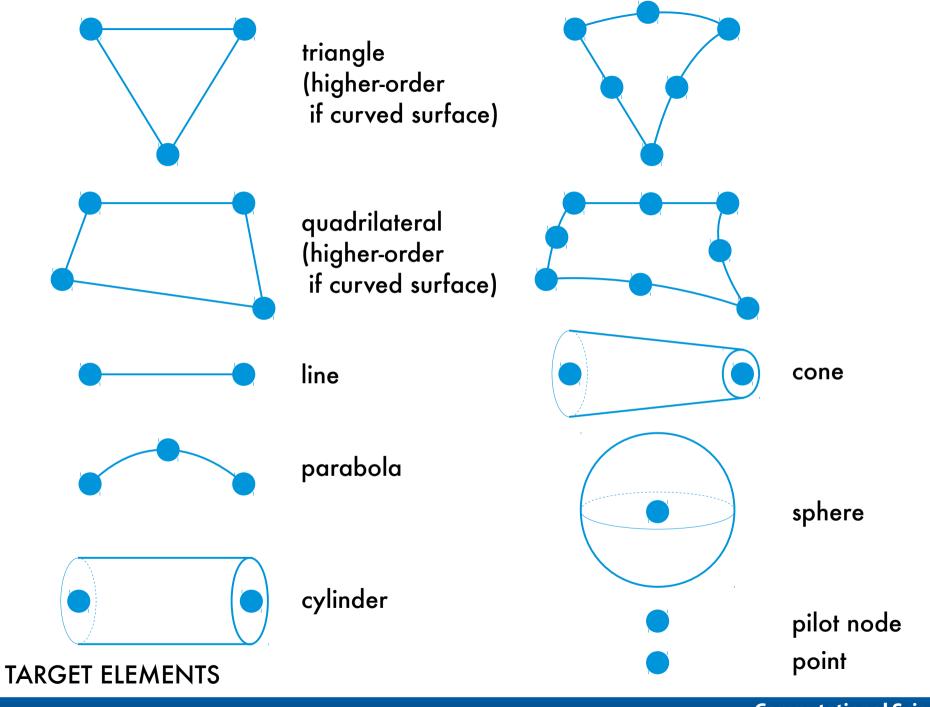
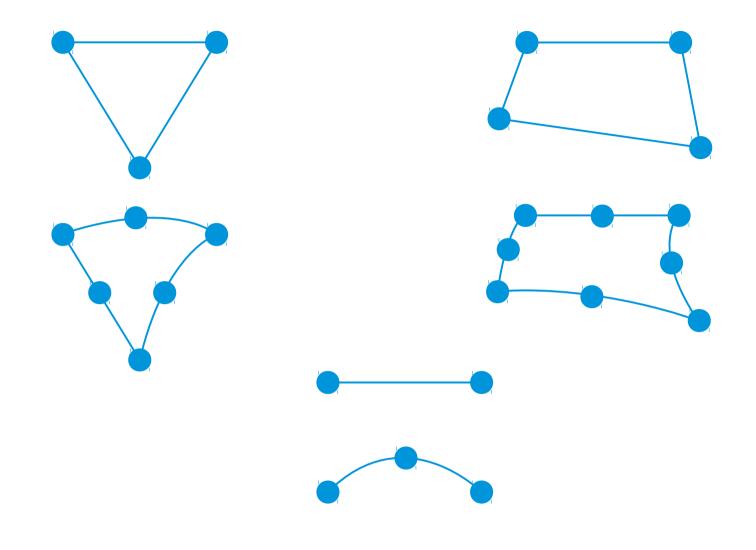
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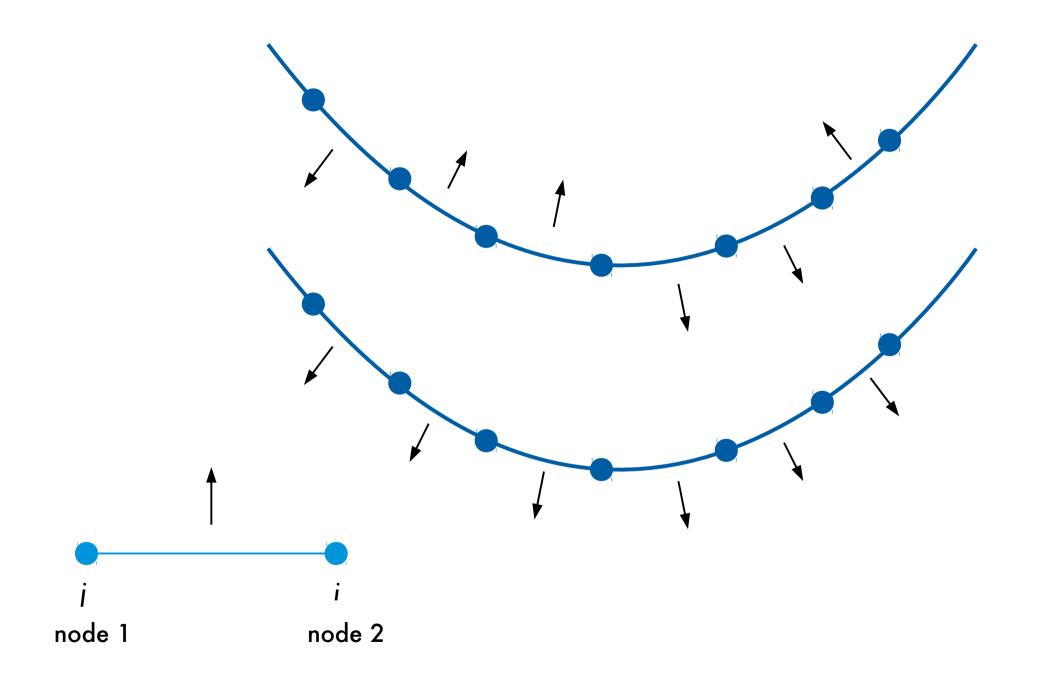


TARGET ELEMENTS





CONTACT ELEMENTS

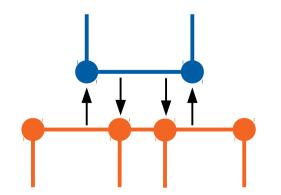


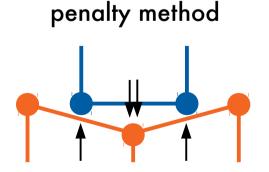
- 1. Create the model geometry and mesh.
- 2. Identify the contact pairs.
- 3. Designate contact and target surfaces.
- 4. Define the target surface.
- 5. Define the contact surface.
- 6. Set the element KEYOPTs and real constants.
- 7. Define/control motion of target surface (rigid-to-flexible only).
- 8. Apply necessary boundary conditions.
- 9. Apply fluid pressure-penetration loads.
- 10. Define solution options and load steps.
- 11. Solve the contact problem.
- 12. Review the results.

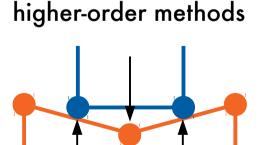


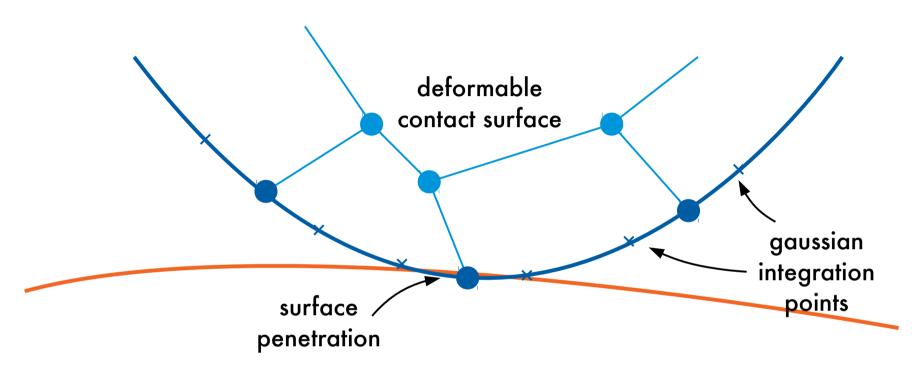
Contact Algorithms

- Penalty method
- Augmented Lagrangian (default)
- Lagrange multiplier (two options)
- Internal multipoint constraint (MPC)

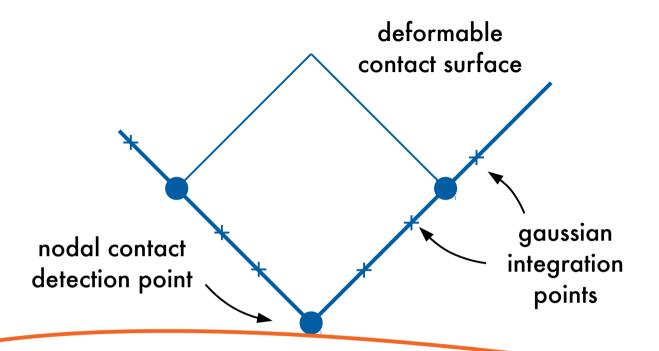








rigid or deformarble target body



rigid or deformarble target body

Friction Algorithms

Coulomb friction

$$\tau = \mu p + \text{COHE}$$

Exponential decay friction

$$\mu = MU \times (1 + (FACT - 1) \exp(-DC \times V_{rel}))$$

Isotropic friction

$$\mu = \sqrt{\frac{(\mu_1^2 + \mu_2^2)}{2}}$$

Surface Contact Models

- standard unilateral contact
- perfectly rough frictional contact without sliding
- no separation contact (several models)
- bonded contact (several models)

- convex in contact with flat or concave:
 flat/concave should be target
- fine in contact with coarse:
 coarse should be target
- stiff in contact with soft: stiff should be target
- higher-order under surface:
 - lower-order under surface should be target (2D) lower-order under surface should be contact (3D)
- larger in contact with/surrounding small:
 larger should be target

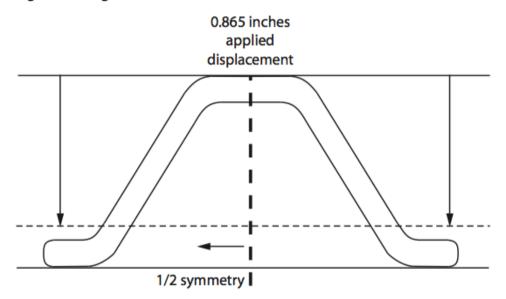


In Abaqus terminology:

contact → slave

target → master

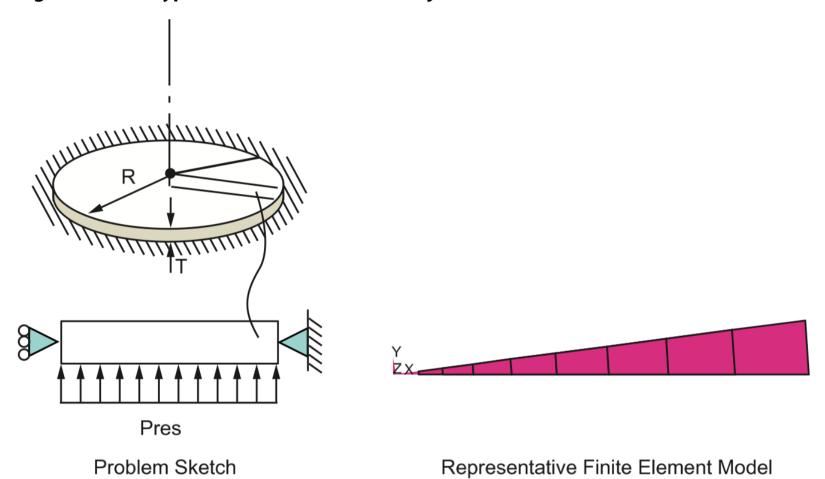
Figure 1: Diagram of Planar Seal Model



Planar seal example, ANSYS Mechanical APDL Contact Technology Guide, pp. 171–177.

A flat circular membrane made of a rubber material is subjected to uniform water pressure. The edges of the membrane are fixed. Determine the response as pressure is increased to 50 psi.

Figure 218.1: Hyperelastic Circular Plate Project Sketch



Material Properties	Geometric Properties	Loading
C ₁ = 80 psi	R = 7.5 in	Pres = 50.0 psi
$C_2 = 20 \text{ psi}$	T = 0.5 in	