Ansys Mechanical Linear and Nonlinear Dynamics

WS 05.1: Linear Perturbation with Two Beams

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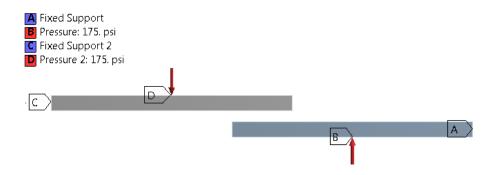
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Workshop 05.1 - Goals

- Our goal is to determine the effect a nonlinear pre-stress has on the first 6 natural frequencies and mode shapes of opposing cantilevered beams.
- The beams are manufactured of Aluminum and are subjected to large deformation, nonlinear contact, and plasticity.



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Workshop 05.1 – Project Schematic and Approach

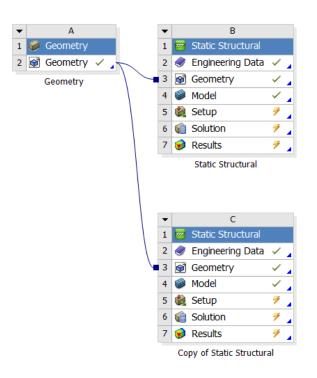
- Begin a new Workbench session and, from the Project page, open the archive file "WS05.1_Linear_Perturbation.wbpz" and save the project to a convenient location.
- The project contains two identical Static Structural Schematics. Schematic B will be used to conduct a modal analysis of two opposing cantilevered beams, considering the geometric deformation from the static analysis <u>WITHOUT including the pre-stress</u> effects.
- Schematic C will be used to conduct a pre-stressed modal analysis of the same two beams, considering both the geometric deformation as well as the pre-stress effects due to large deflection, contact status and plasticity.
- Results from both scenarios will be compared.

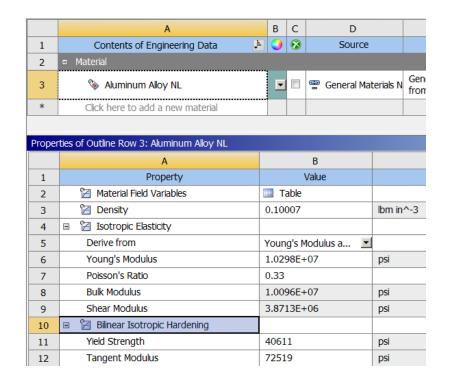


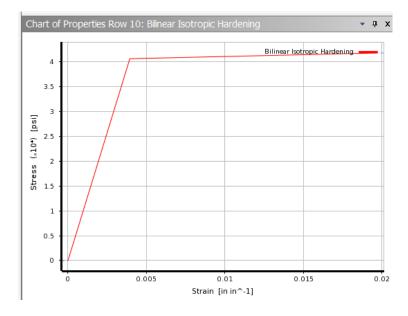
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Workshop 05.1 – Project Schematic and Approach

- Set the Project Units to U.S. Customary, and Display Values in Project Units.
- Edit the Engineering Data cell of Schematic B.
 - Examine the material properties for Aluminum, noting the Bilinear Plasticity



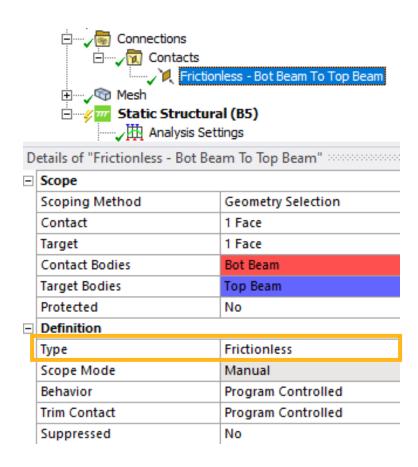






Workshop 05.1 – Confirm Static Structural Setup

- Return to the Project Schematic and Edit the Model cell (B4) to open the Mechanical application
- In Mechanical, set the units system as follows:
 - US Customary (in, lbm, lbf, °F, s, V, A)
- Expand Connections branch and confirm that the single contact definition is set to Frictionless behavior. This will allow the beams to deflect towards one another and eventually come into contact.

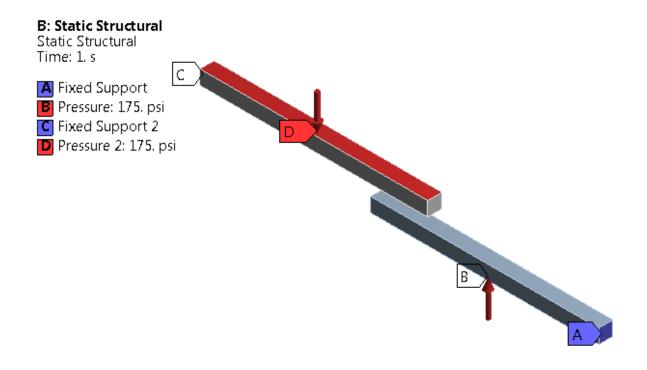




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Workshop 05.1 – Confirm Static Structural Setup

• Examine the Fixed Support and Pressure load applied to each beam.

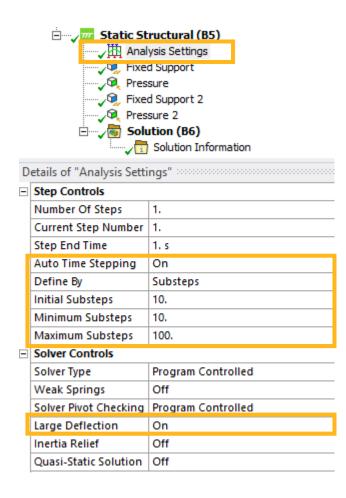




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Workshop 05.1 – Confirm Static Analysis Settings and Solve

- Highlight the Analysis Settings Branch.
 - Confirm Automatic Time Stepping is enabled, with 5 initial/minimum and 10 maximum substeps
 - Confirm Large Deflection effects are turned on. This ensures greatest accuracy in the static structural solution
- Solve the Static Structural Analysis.



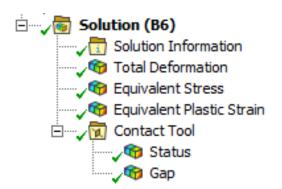


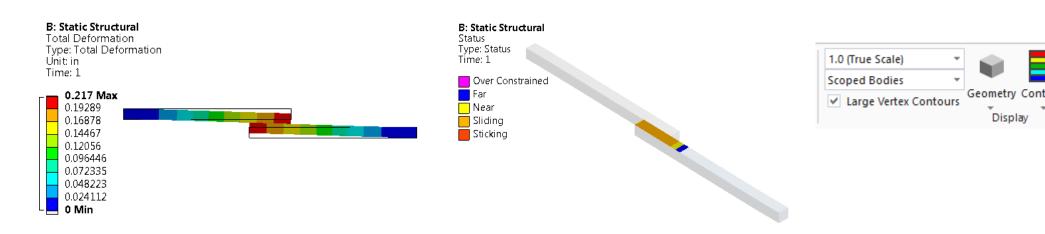


Workshop 05.1 – Post Process the Static Structural Solution

Note: your result magnitudes may vary slightly throughout this workshop due to mesh and software release differences

- Highlight the Solution Branch and:
 - Insert "Total Deformation", "Equivalent Stress", and "Equivalent Plastic Strain"
 - Insert a "Contact Tool"
 - Evaluate all these results and review each
- Set the deformed shape scale to "True Scale" and confirm that the beams have established frictionless, sliding contact.

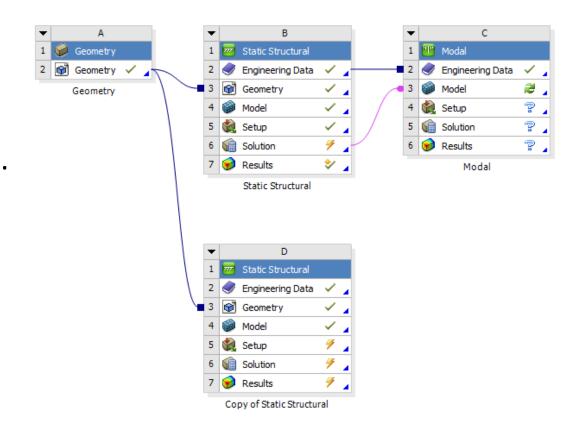






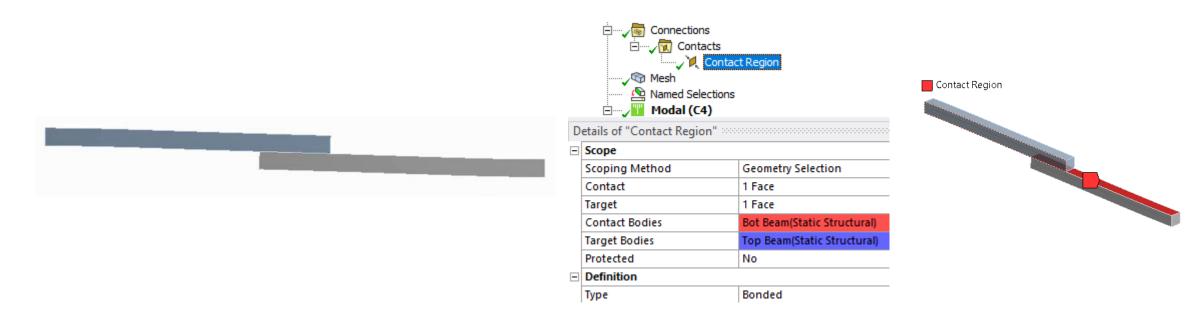


- Return to Project Page, drag and drop a Modal analysis to the right of Schematic B, but do not link any cells.
- Link the Engineering Data cells (B2 > C2). This will share the Aluminum material.
- Link the Solution cell to the Model Cell (B6 > C4).
 Note this will remove the Geometry cell in the Modal analysis. This step uses the deformed geometry from the Static Structural as the starting geometry for the model, WITHOUT including pre-stress effects.



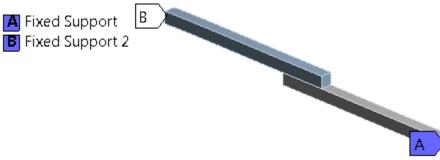


- Update cell B6, Refresh cell C3, then edit the Model cell (C3) in order to open the Mechanical Modal.
- Confirm the geometry represents the deformed geometry from the static structural solution.
- Confirm that a bonded contact pair has automatically been detected between the two beams.





Apply a fixed support on one end of each beam, identical to those in the structural analysis.

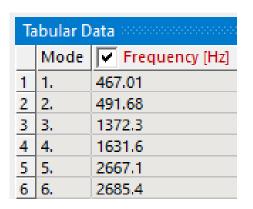


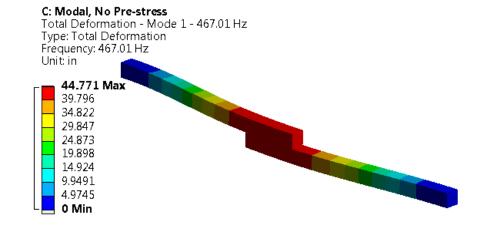
- Highlight the Solution branch and Solve for the first 6 (default) mode shapes.
- When the solution finishes, click on the Solution branch, RMB in the timeline:
 - Select all
 - Create mode shape results
 - Evaluate results





 Make a note of the 6 natural frequencies. Your frequencies may differ slightly from those shown here. We'll compare them with those obtained from a Modal Analysis with Linear Perturbation.

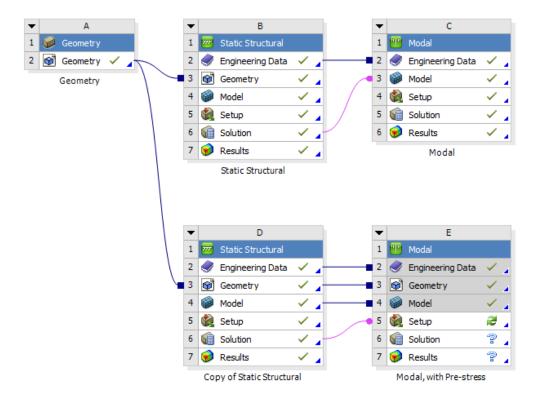








- Return to the Project and click "Update Project"
- This will solve the Static Structural Schematic D, in preparation for the Pre-stressed Modal analysis using Linear Perturbation
- Drag a Modal Analysis System and drop it onto Cell D6. Rename this Schematic to "Modal, with Prestress".





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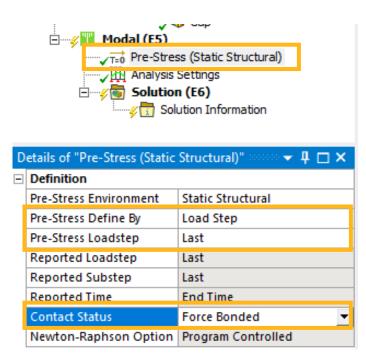
Workshop 05.1 – Set Up Modal Analysis, with Pre-stress

- Refresh Cell E5, then open Mechanical from cell E5.
- Confirm results from Static Structural Solution once again (they will be the same as those from slide 8.



Workshop 05.1 – Establish Pre-stress Conditions

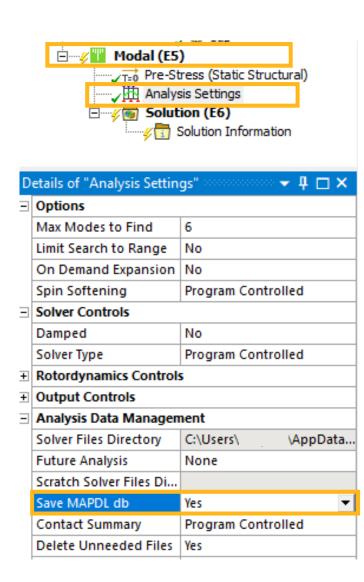
- Click on "Pre-Stress (Static Structural)" and in the details:
 - Set "Pre-stress Define By" to Load Step
 - Set "Pre-stress Loadstep" to Last
 - Set "Contact Status" to Force Bonded
- By setting Contact Status to Force Bonded, we will treat the original frictionless contact as permanently bonded.
- Notice at this point that the geometry appears as the original geometry, prior to the static deflection. Recall that in Phase II of the Perturbation process, the geometry used in the Modal analysis is updated from the deformed geometry of the static analysis. This occurs as a background process and will therefore not be visible in Mechanical.





Workshop 05.1 – Establish Pre-stress Conditions

- Notice at this point that the Modal Analysis is ready for solution. Displacement constraints are not needed, as they are managed (inherited) from the Static Structural analysis.
- Prior to solving, we will request an MAPDL database file be saved, as we will use it for later post-processing purposes.
- Highlight Analysis Settings
- Under "Analysis Data Management" set Save MAPDL db to Yes
- Solve







- Generate results for the 6 modes calculated
- Review the mode shapes. You may have to set the Deformed Shape scaling to "Auto Scale"

• Compare the frequencies against those obtained without pre-stress effects:

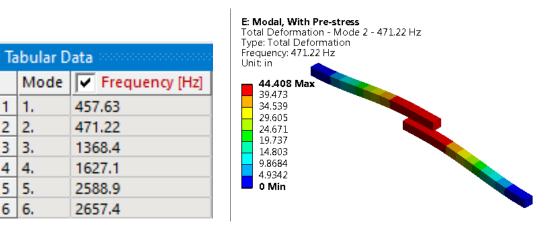
Scoped Bodies

✓ Large Vertex Contours

Without Pre-stress

C: Modal, No Pre-stress Total Deformation - Mode 2 - 491.68 Hz Tabular Data Type: Total Deformation Frequency: 491.68 Hz Mode Frequency [Hz] 467.01 43.466 Max 38.636 491.68 33.807 28.977 1372.3 24.148 19.318 1631.6 14.489 2667.1 9.6591 4.8296 2685.4

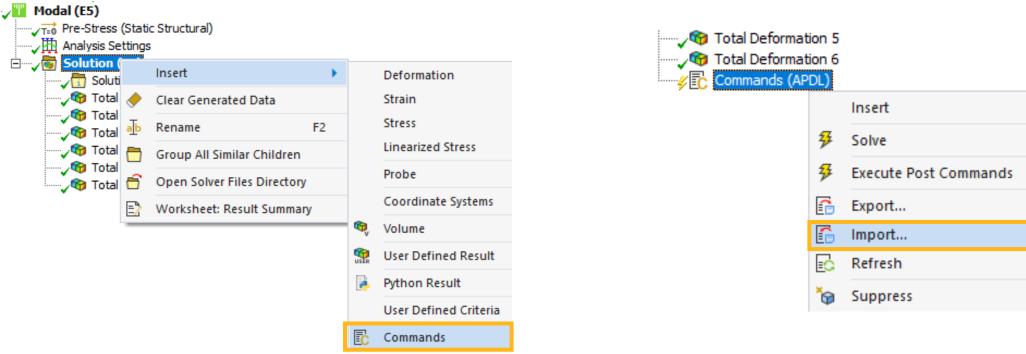
With Pre-stress



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Workshop 05.1 – Post Process the Pre-stressed Modal Analysis

- In order to confirm that the geometry was properly updated, highlight the solution branch and insert Commands.
- RMB on Commands and choose Import; click yes to the message asking if you want to continue.



• Browse to the file called "post commands.txt" supplied with this workshop.



• The resulting window is shown here. Review the commands, along with their description. The file instructs Ansys to recall the MAPDL database file saved as part of the modal solution. The contents of this database include the updated geometry from the static structural analysis once the beams have contacted one another.

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Commands inserted into this file will be executed immediately after the Ansys /POST1 command
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        Active UNIT system in Workbench when this object was created: U.S. Customary (in, 1bm, 1bf, s, V, A) temperature units of F
     !!!! CHANGE APDL BACKGROUND FROM BLACK TO WHITE
    /RGB, INDEX, 100, 100, 100, 0
    /RGB, INDEX, 80, 80, 80, 13
    /RGB, INDEX, 60, 60, 60, 14
    /RGB, INDEX, 0, 0, 0, 15
15
    /VIEW, 1, 0, 0, 1 !SET VIEW ORIENTATION TO Z AXIS
                !FIT THE MODEL TO THE VIEW
    /SHOW, PNG
                     !DIRECT PLOTS TO PNG FORMAT
                     !PLOT ELEMENTS (UPDATED GEOMETRY FROM BASE ANALYSIS)
21
    /VIEW, 1, 1, 1, 1 !SET VIEW ORIENTATION TO ISOMETRIC
    /AUTO, 1
24
    !LOOP THROUGH EACH MODE SHAPE AND GENERATE DEFORMATION PLOTS
                 !READ EACH MODE SHAPE INTO MEMORY
                   !PLOT TOTAL DEFORMATION
                 !END OF *DO LOOP
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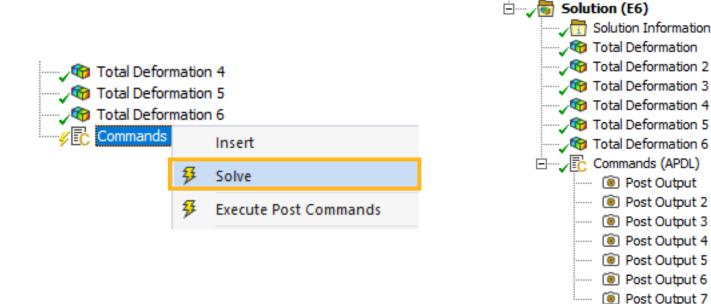
- The file then instructs Ansys to plot the elements of the deformed geometry.
- Finally, we loop through all 6 mode shapes, capturing plots of each.

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                        !RESUME DATABASE FROM PERTURBED MODAL ANALYSIS
    RESUME, FILE, DB
                    !ENTER THE POST PROCESSOR
    !!!! CHANGE APDL BACKGROUND FROM BLACK TO WHITE
    /RGB, INDEX, 100, 100, 100, 0
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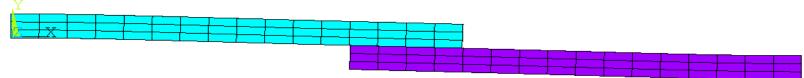
 RMB on Commands and select Solve. Ansys will execute the commands in the background and return seven static image captures under the Commands branch.



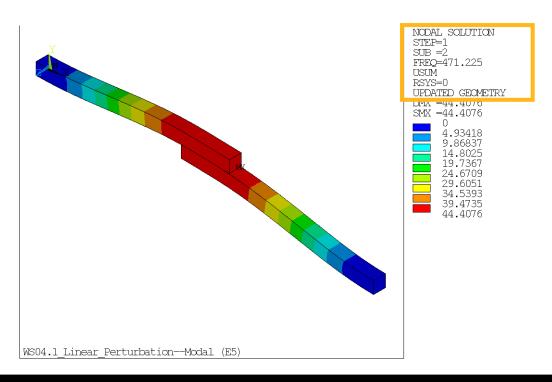
Clicking each "Post Output" item will display the corresponding graphic in the Mechanical graphics window, confirming the updated geometry without the presence of a gap between the beams. This behavior is a result of having large deflection turned "on" in the static structural prestress solution.



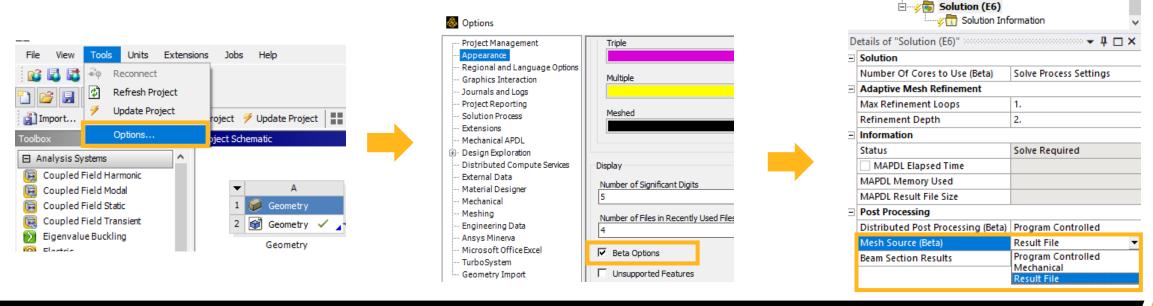
Pre-stressed geometry:



Representative mode shapes (mode 2 shown):



- Another way to view the modal shapes based upon the deformed geometry is by using the Mesh Source (Beta) feature.
- On the Workbench Project page, select Tools > Options and then select the Appearance option. Scroll down and activate the Beta Options check box. Click OK and return to Mechanical
- In the Details of the Solution object notice the newly added Mesh Source (Beta) feature. Set it to Result File and generate results.





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Workshop 05.1 – Post Process the Pre-stressed Modal Analysis

 Go Further! – Experiment with the various options available for the "Contact Status" definition under "Pre-Stress (Static Structural)", solving each and noting the change in

behavior of the model.

