

# **LS-DYNA & LS-PrePost Application in Bulk Metal Forging**

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## ❑ Introduction

- Ansys LS-DYNA application areas: structural mechanics (including crash/safety), fluid dynamics, thermomechanical problems, and various manufacturing processes.
- Ansys LS-DYNA application industry: automotive, aerospace, defense, precision consumer product and electronics manufacturing industries.
- Simulate in the virtual world to optimize product designs and improve manufacturing processes efficiency, reduce physical DOEs, reduce waste, energy consumption and green house emissions.
- Forging is energy consumption intensive
  - ❖ Create virtual models of the forging process, various light weight materials.
  - ❖ Analyze materials under different temperatures, strain rates and tool design geometries.
  - ❖ Optimize:
    - Initial workpiece size and shape, tools' shape, # passes.
    - Assess and minimize defects.
    - Under-filled areas.
    - Predict forging tonnage (press capacity/allocation).
    - Reduce or eliminate physical DOEs.
    - Has the potential to drastically shorten product development and engineering cycles, and maximally increase manufacturing efficiency and productivity

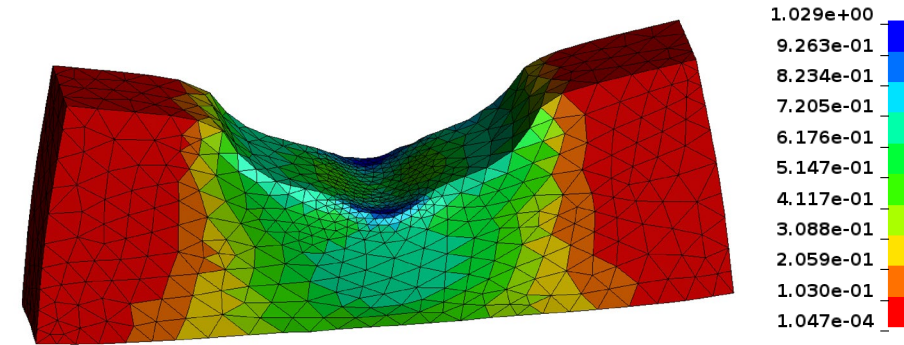
## ❑ 3D Adaptive Remeshing Features

- Tool curvature based; trigger: minimum time step size (DTMIN)
- Max, min element size specified
- ADPFREQ
  - Equal interval, one segment
  - Equal interval, multiple segments
- Explicit dynamic: mass scaling (DT2MS/DTMIN)
- Mesh refinement region: ADPENE
- Monotonic increased adaptive remeshing
- Explicit dynamic: Tool velocity scaling

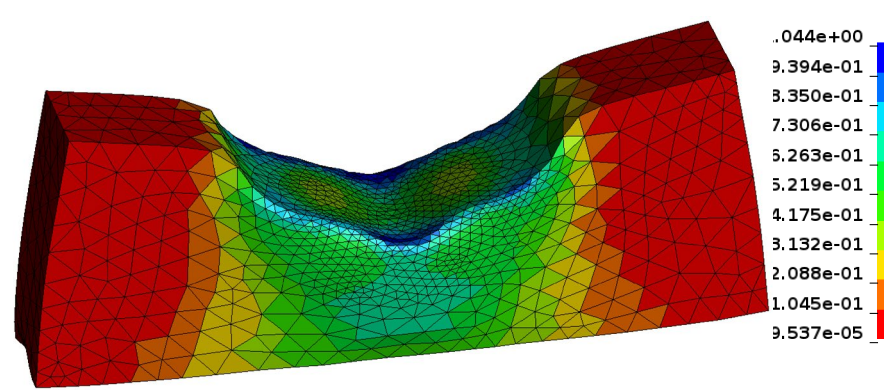


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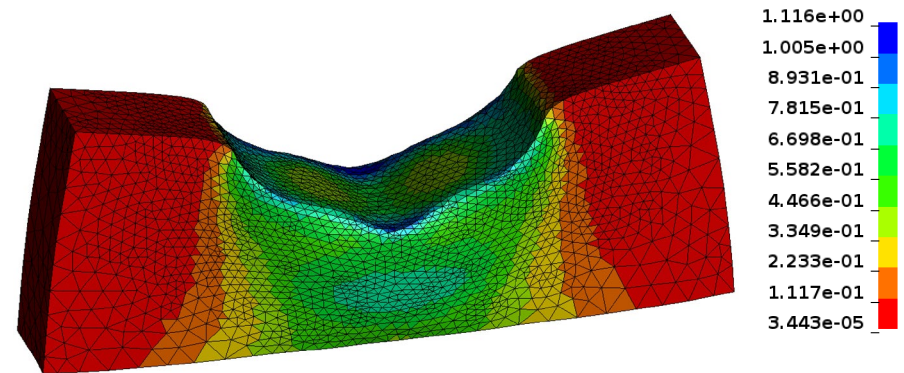
- Effect of ADPENE on mesh refinement and effective plastic strain (EPS).
- Initial element number: 7680



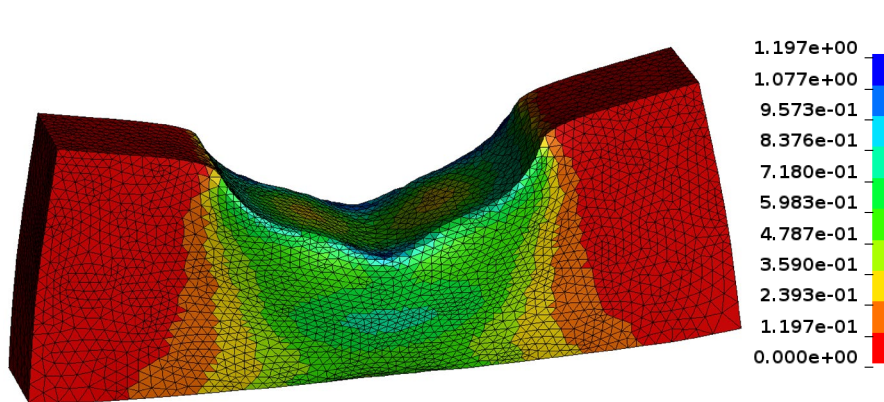
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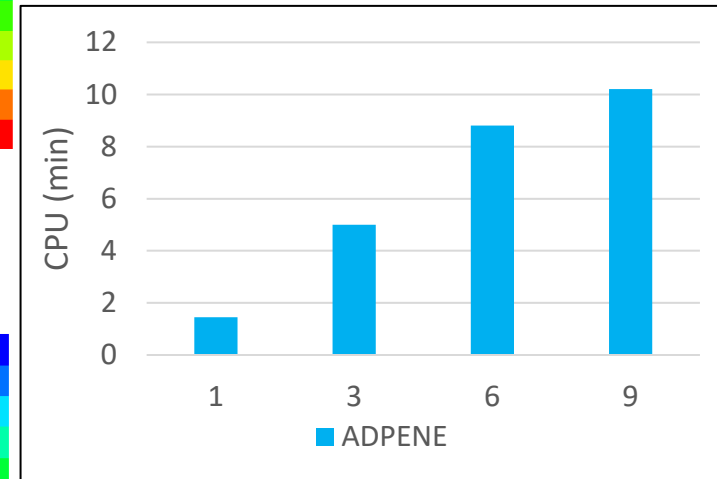
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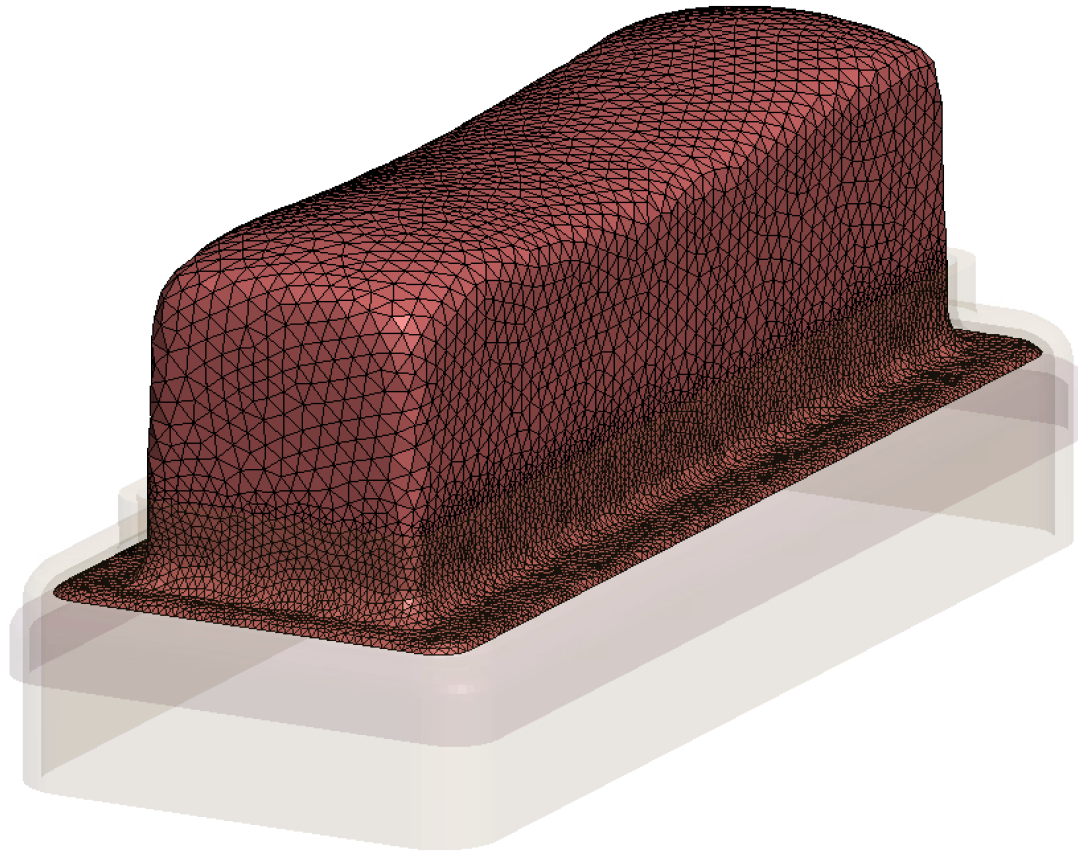


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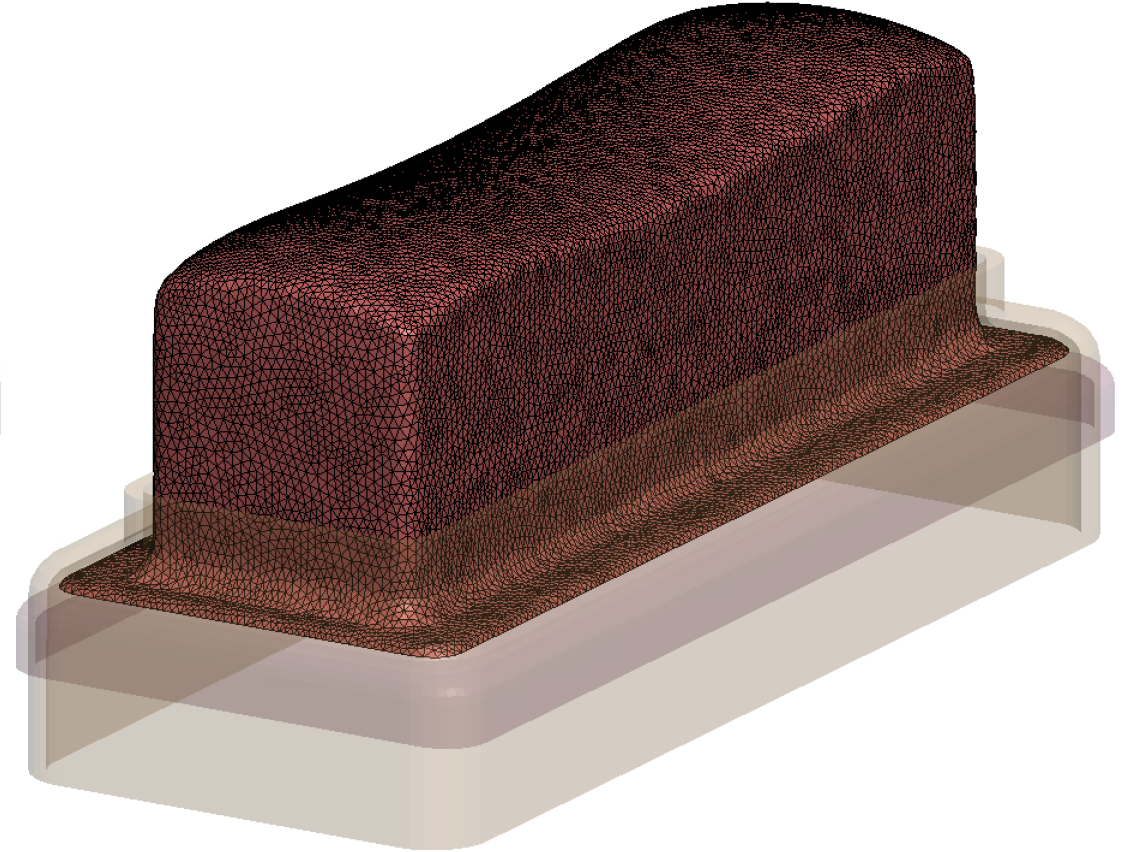


## ❑ 3D Adaptive Remeshing Features

- monotonic resizing: adaptive remeshing cannot coarsen a mesh during the simulation. This feature is critical in maintaining the feature lines of the forged parts.

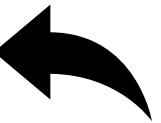


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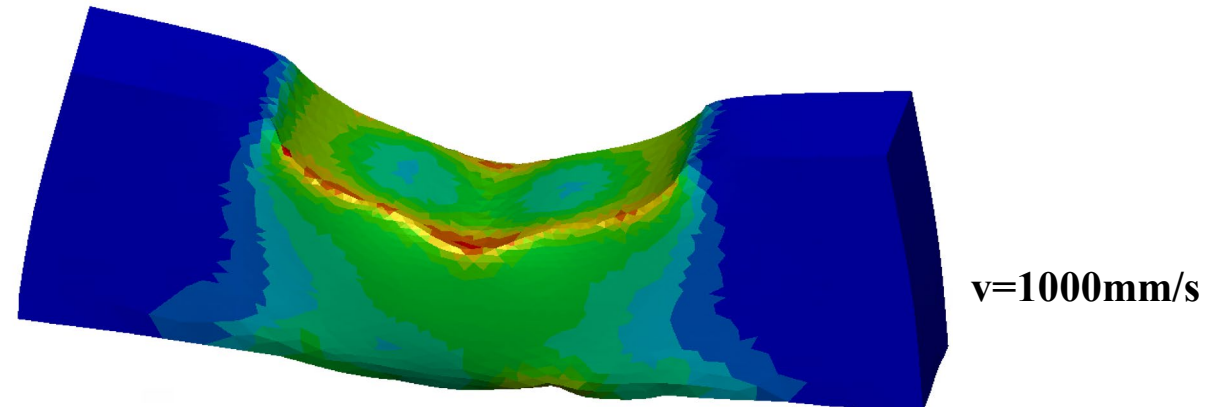
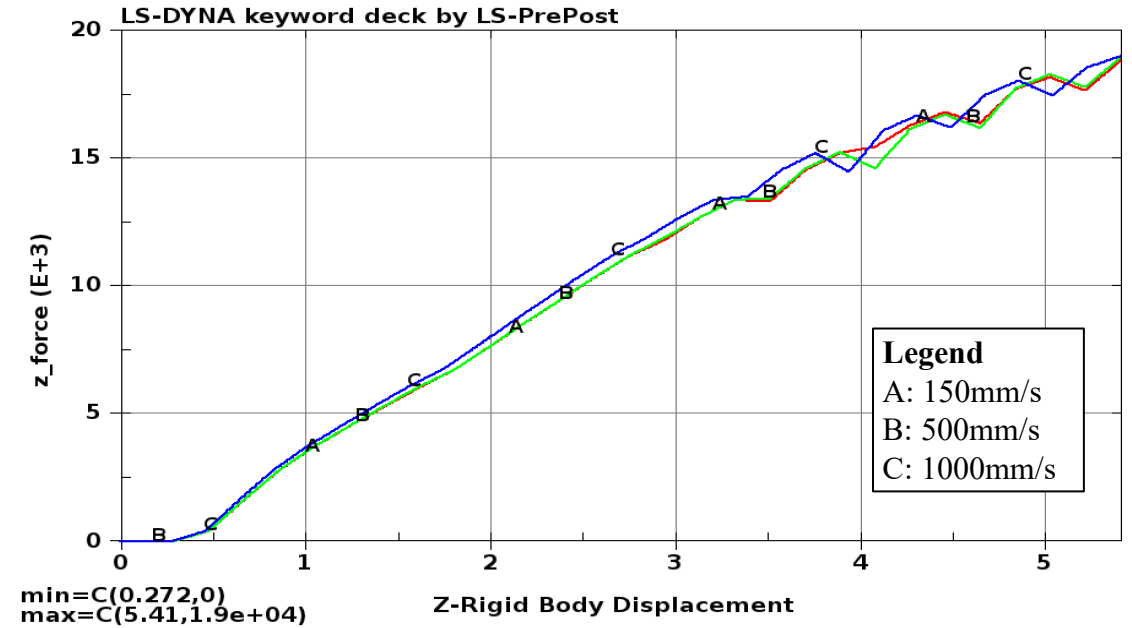
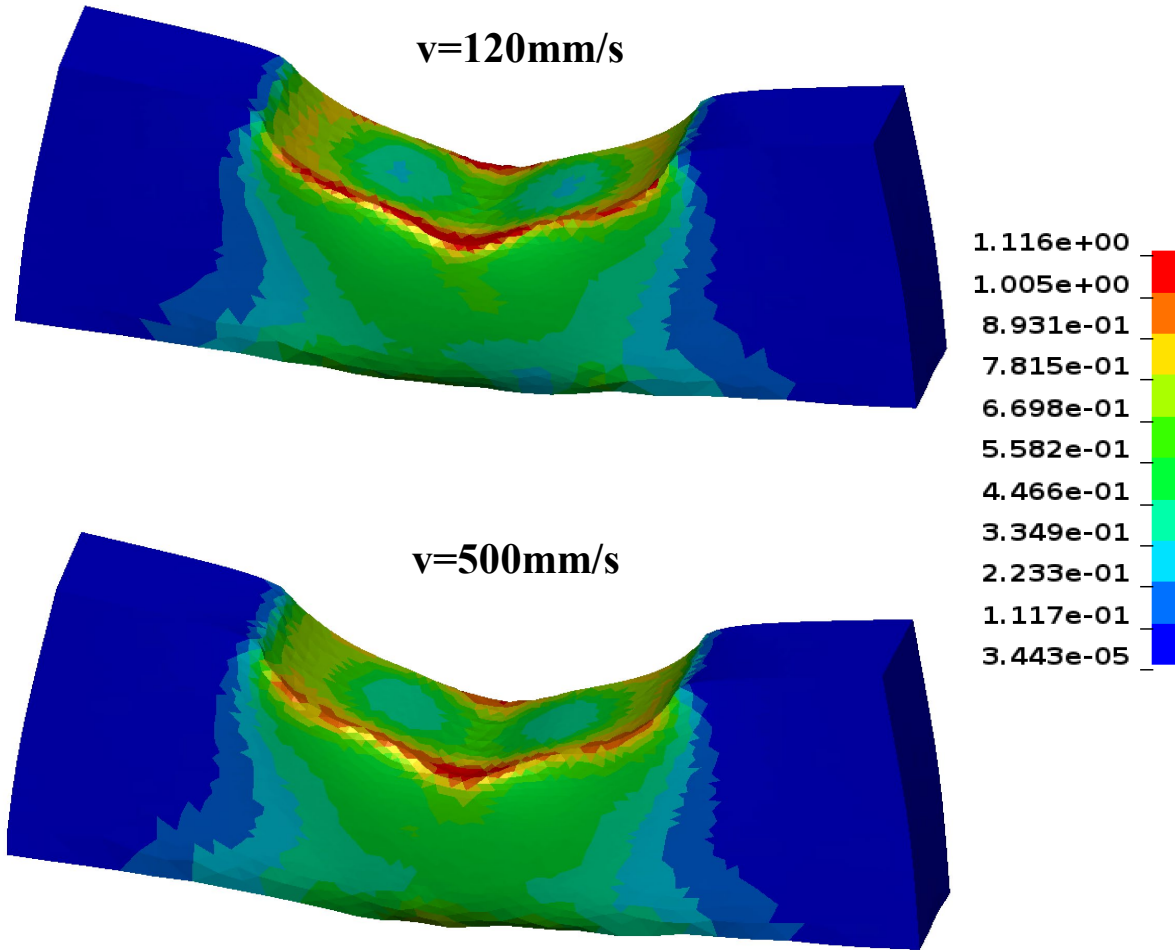
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Initial element number: 516150



## □ Tool velocity scaling

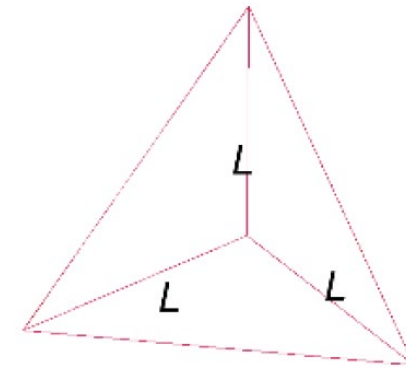
- Tonnage estimate and EPS for different tool speeds.
- For strain rate insensitive materials.





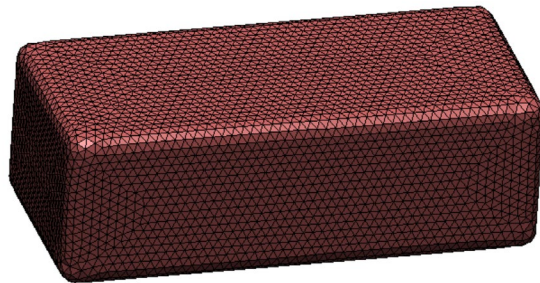
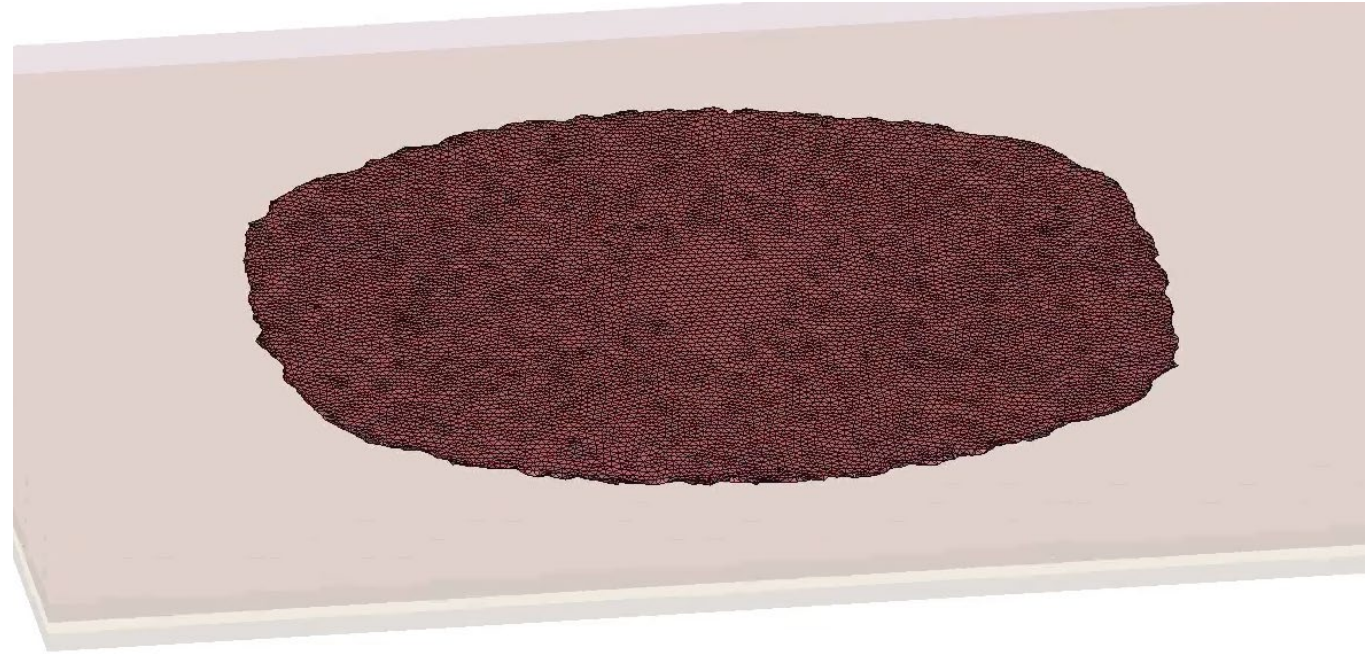
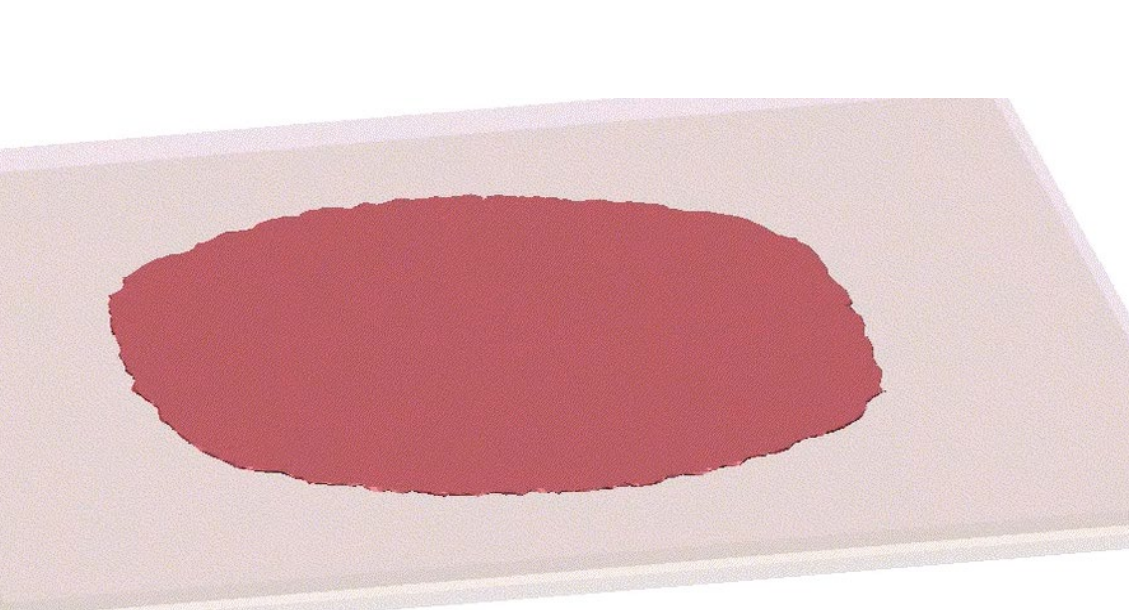
## □ Elements

- **Workpiece:** Element type 13, Adaptive, 1 point nodal pressure tetrahedron to reduce volumetric locking.
  - Workhorse for many application w/ severe deformation
    - Good for rubber, specifically for ductile elastoplastic metals bulk forming
    - Very stable, takes severe/extreme mesh distortion (rubbers/metal, etc.), nearly collapsed shape.
    - No kinematic modes: no hourglass control needed.
  - Average the volumetric strain over neighboring elements to smooth the pressure response
  - Prevent volumetric locking with nodal volumes and evaluating average nodal pressures in terms of these volumes.
- **Tools:**
  - Rigid: Element type 1 solid (1 point integration).
  - Deformable: -1 (8 point integration, poor aspect ratio).



## ❑ Element type

- Element type 13 pancake crushing test



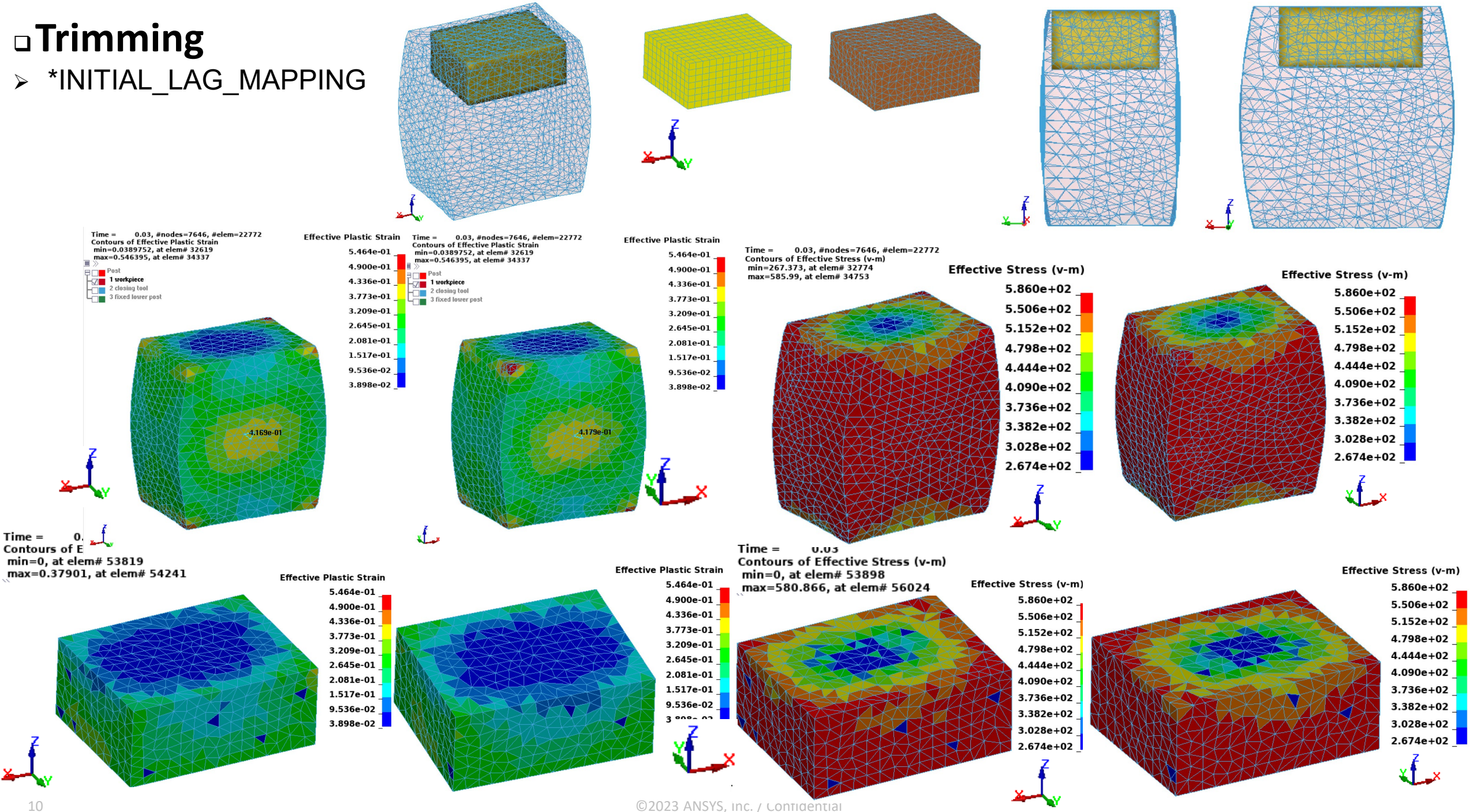
14.8 x 6.6 x 5 (mm)

Final thickness: 0.18 mm thick



# Trimming

## ➤ \*INITIAL\_LAG\_MAPPING



## □Contact/Thermal Contact

- Explicit: \*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE, \_THERMAL.
- Implicit: \*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE, \_THERMAL
- Explicit and Implicit: \*CONTACT\_AUTOMATIC\_SINGLE\_SURFACE
  - Penalty contact, two way.
  - Gaps for heat transfer conductance.
  - Temperature dependent friction.
  - Pressure dependent thermal contact conductance.



## □ Material Models

- Ansys LS-DYNA has 300+ different material models covering a wide range of different engineering materials.
  - \*MAT\_024: arbitrary piecewise linear plasticity, strain rates, cold/hot (thermal only) forging.
  - \*MAT\_106: elastic viscoplastic thermal, strain rates, temperature, workhorse for thermomechanical forging.
  - \*MAT\_107: Johnson-Cook, strain rates, material softening, Cockcroft-Latham damage
  - \*MAT\_224: Tabulated Johnson-Cook, strain rates, material softening, Cockcroft-Latham damage

➤ **\*MAT\_224**

$$\sigma_y = \left\{ A + Br^n + \sum_{i=1}^2 Q_i [1 - \exp(-C_i r)] \right\} \left( 1 + \frac{\dot{r}}{\dot{\epsilon}_0} \right)^c \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T - T_r}{T_m - T_r} \right)^m \right]$$

$r$ : damage-equivalent plastic strain defined as  $\epsilon_p = \frac{r}{1-\beta D}$

$\beta$ : equal to one for coupled damage and equal to zero for uncoupled damage.

Tabulated flow stress:

$$\sigma_y = k_1(\epsilon_p, \dot{\epsilon}_p) \frac{k_t(\epsilon_p, T)}{k_t(\epsilon_p, T_R)}$$

Cockcroft-Latham damage:

$$D = \frac{D_C}{W_C} \int_0^{\epsilon_p} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle d\epsilon_p$$

$\sigma_1$ : first principal stress.

$D_C$ : critical damage value. For most materials  $D_C$  is 1.0.

$W_C$ : critical plastic work, user input.

$\epsilon_f$ : critical failure strain.

$$W_C = \int_0^{\epsilon_f} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle d\epsilon_p$$

No coupling is assumed between ductile damage and the constitutive relation.

▪ Adiabatic heating:

$$\dot{T} = \chi \frac{\sigma: d^p}{\rho C_p} = \chi \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_{eq} \dot{r}}{\rho C_p}$$

$\rho$ : density

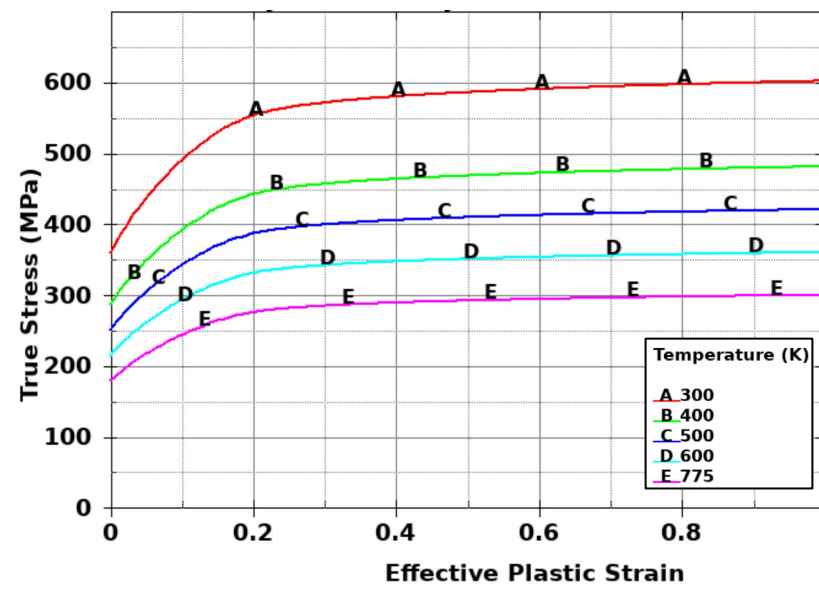
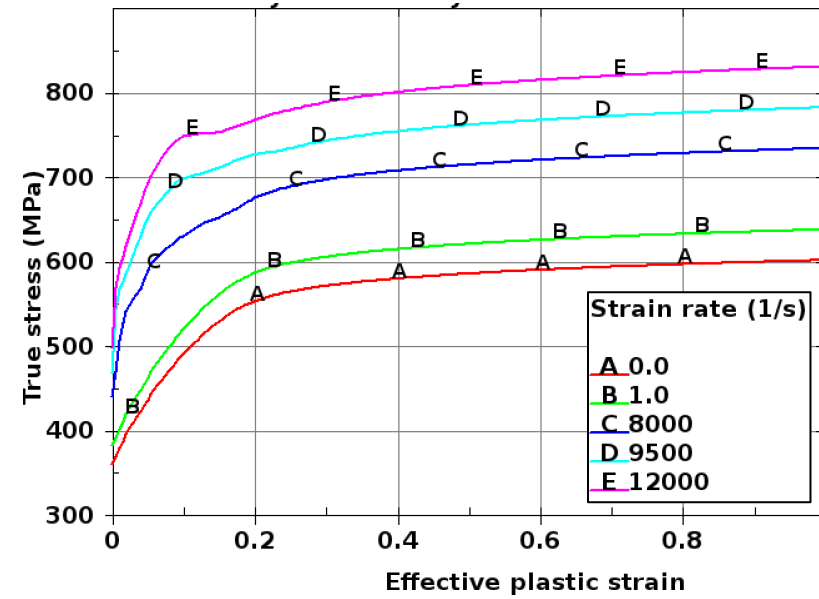
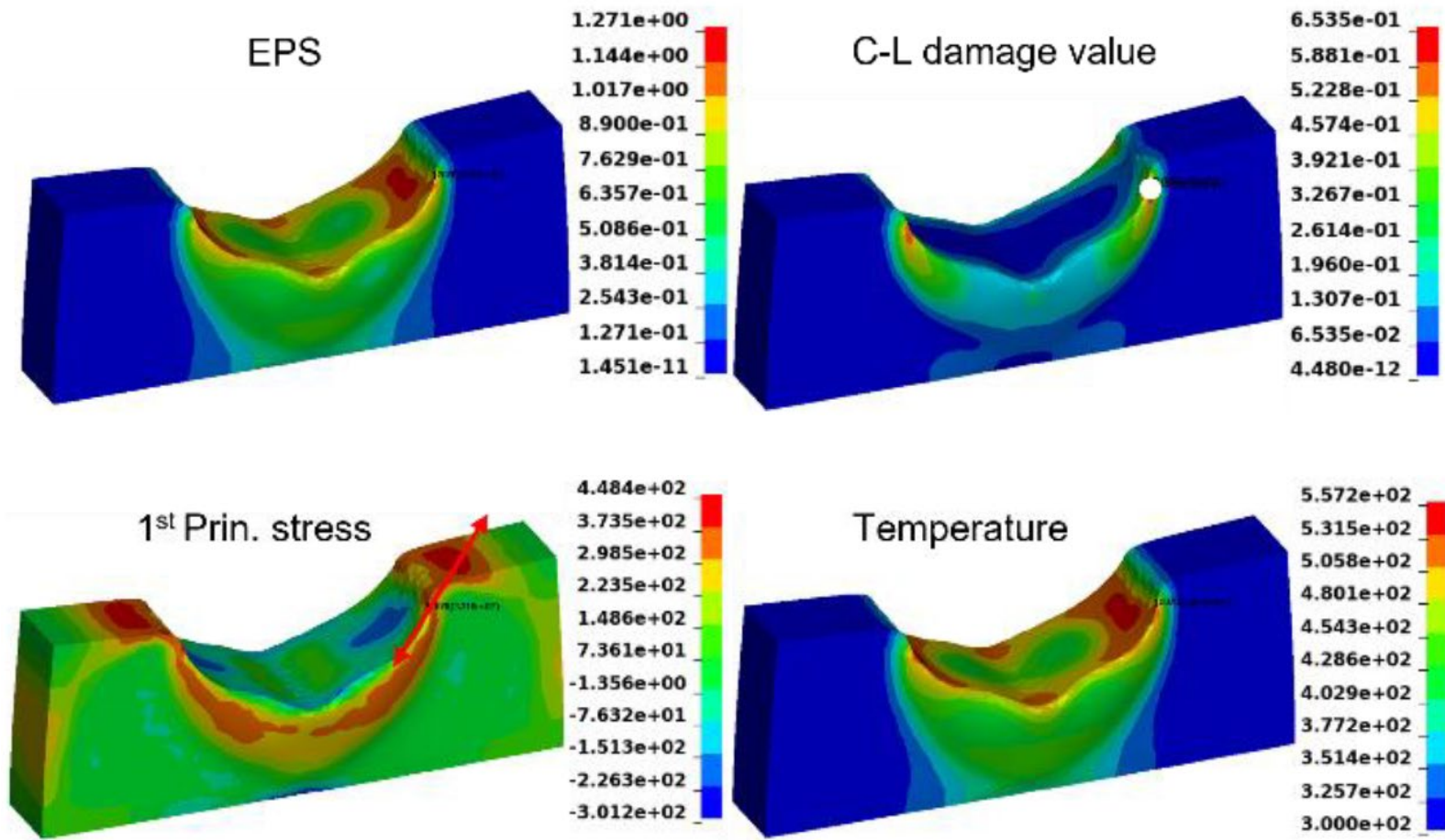
$C_p$ : specific heat

$\chi$ : Taylor-Quinney parameter



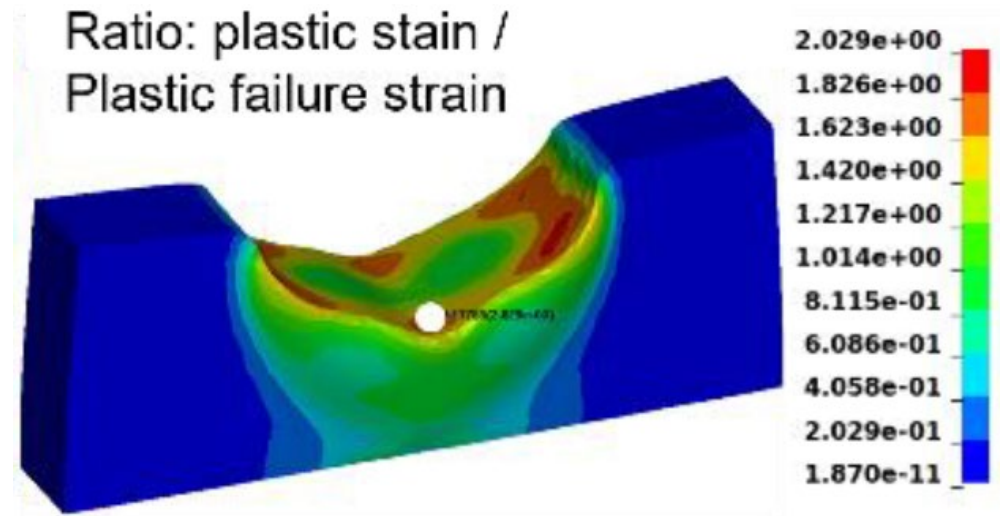
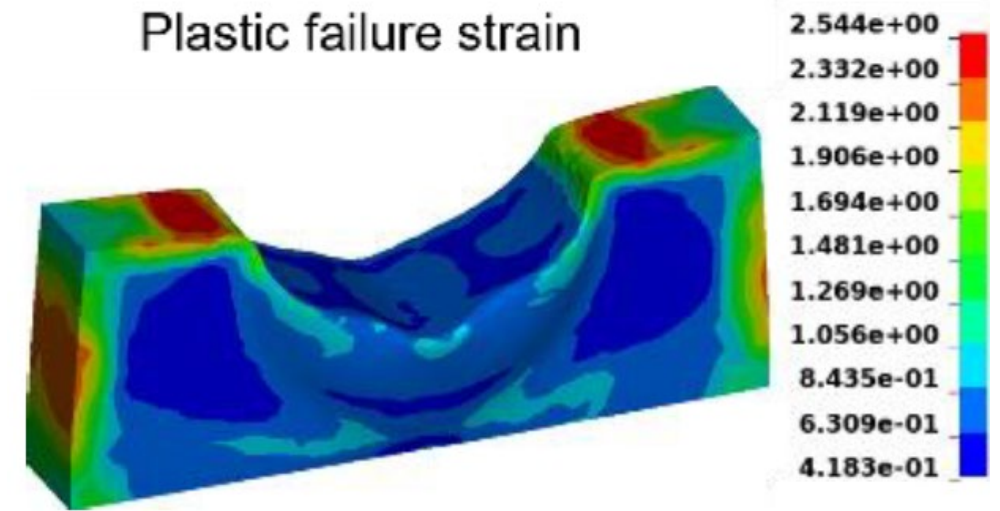
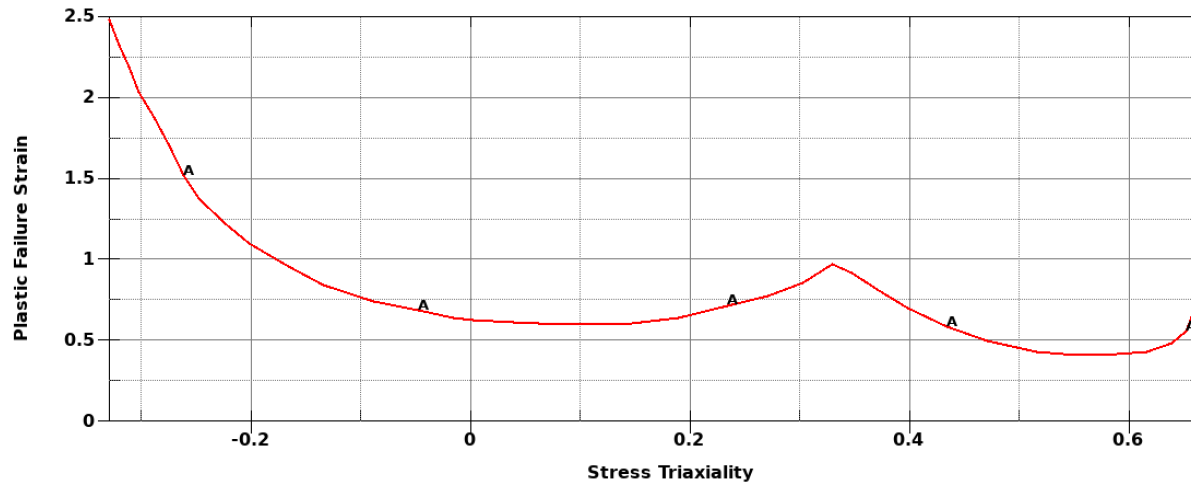
# Material Models

- \*MAT\_224, damage model, mechanical only simulation.
- The maximum C-L damage accumulation value: high levels of  $\sigma_1$  (tension) and EPS.
- Plastic heating induced temperature: EPS, work, C-L/ $\sigma_1$ .



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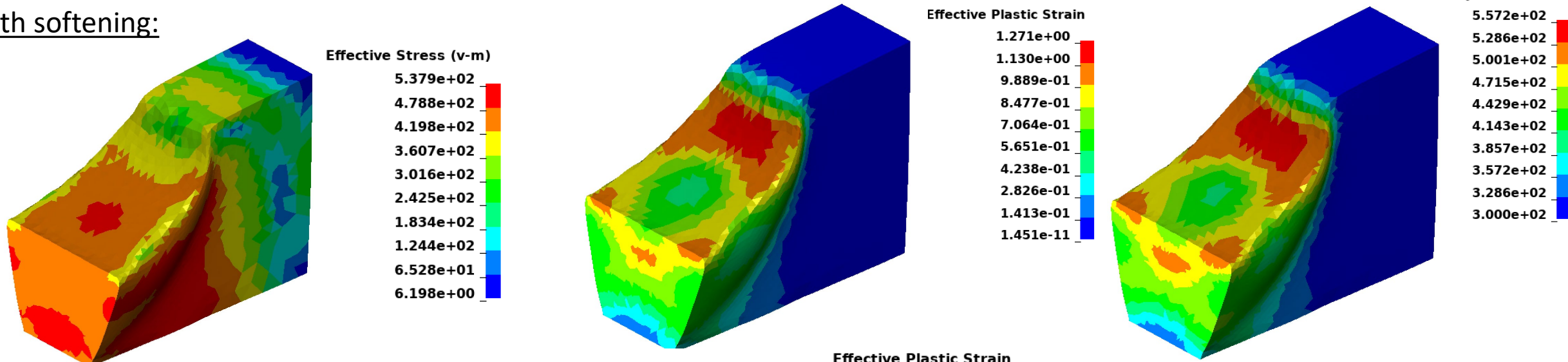
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- Max ratio in negative  $\sigma_1$  area.



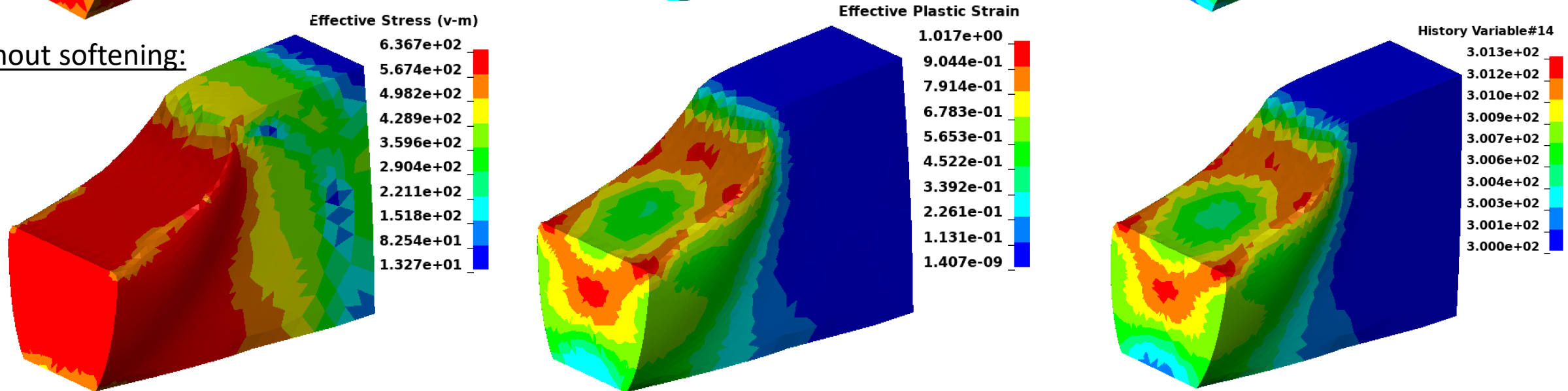
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With softening:



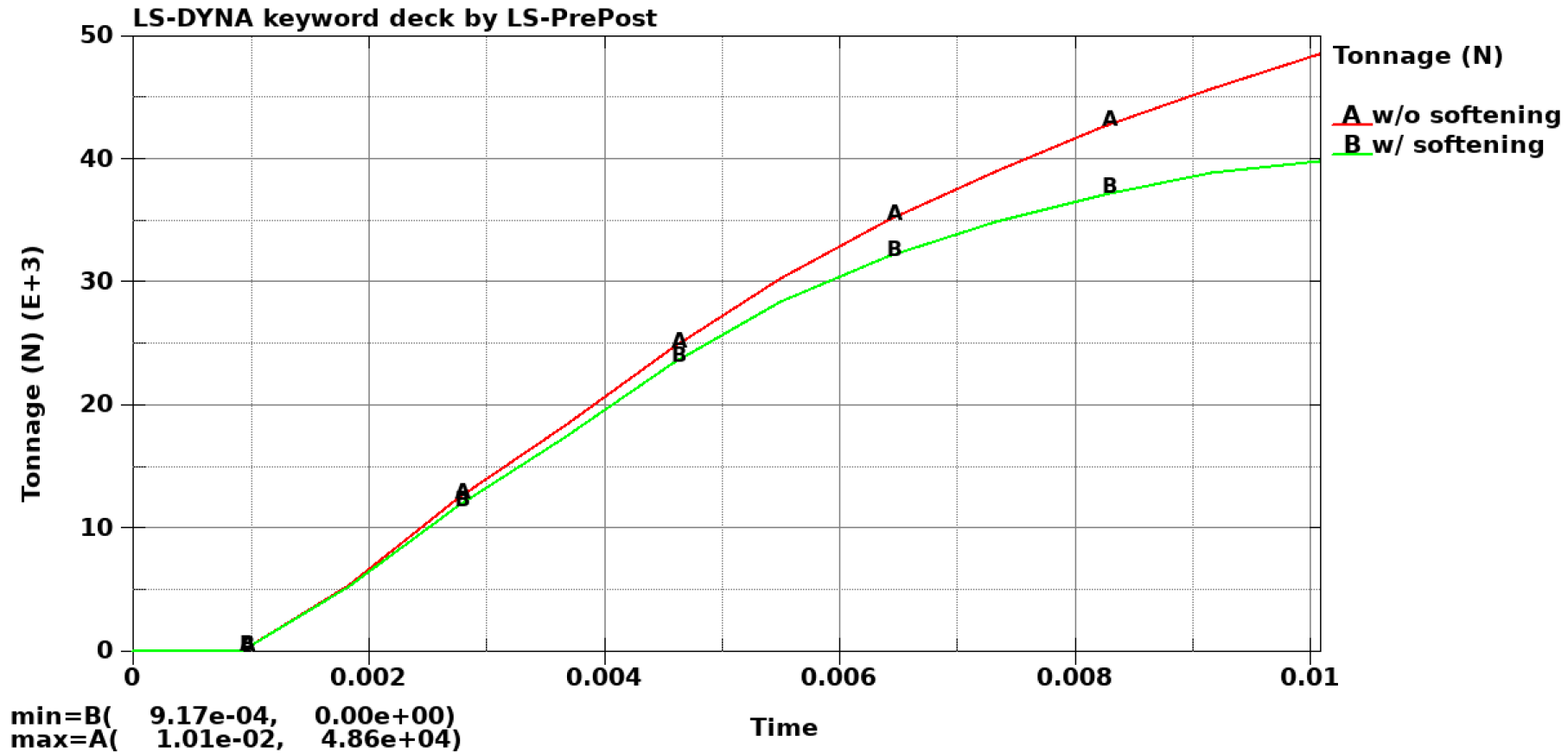
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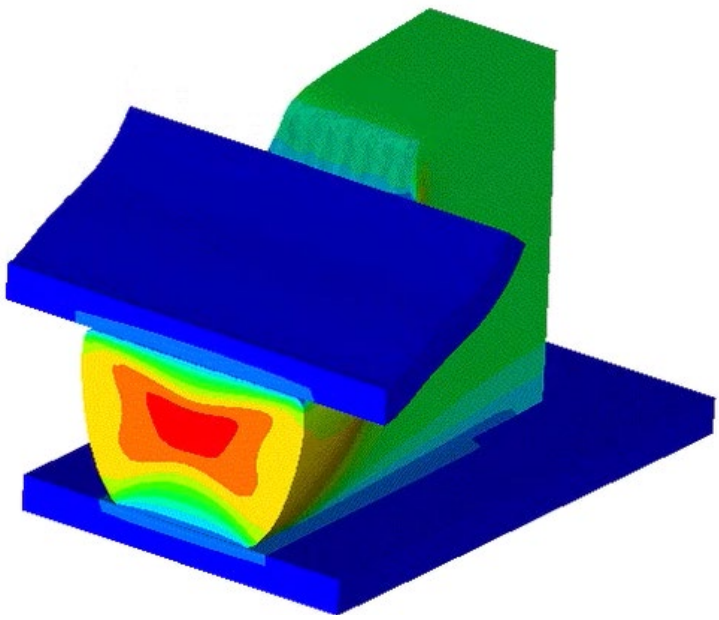
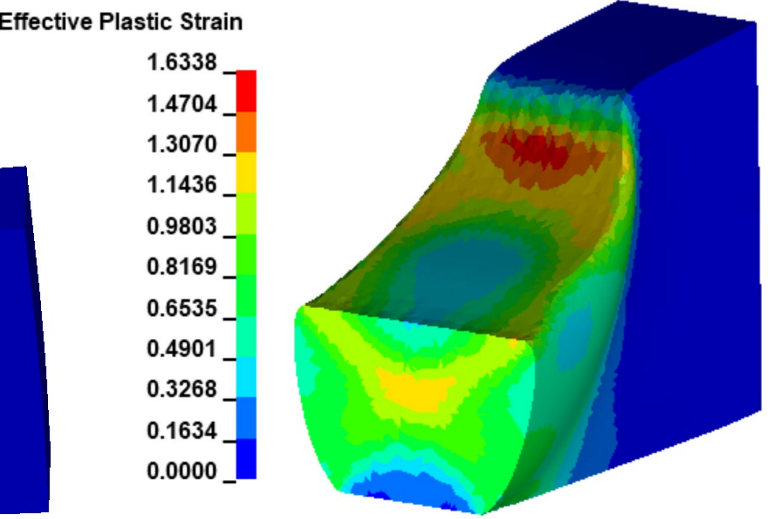
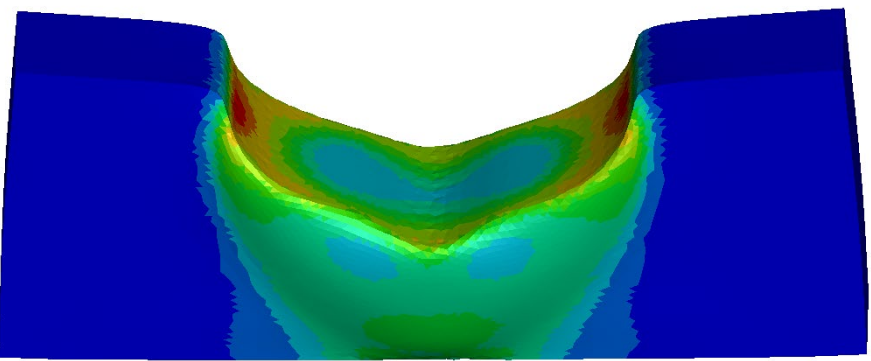
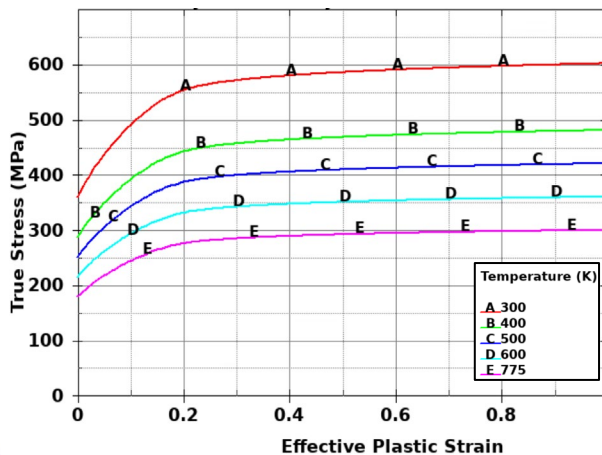
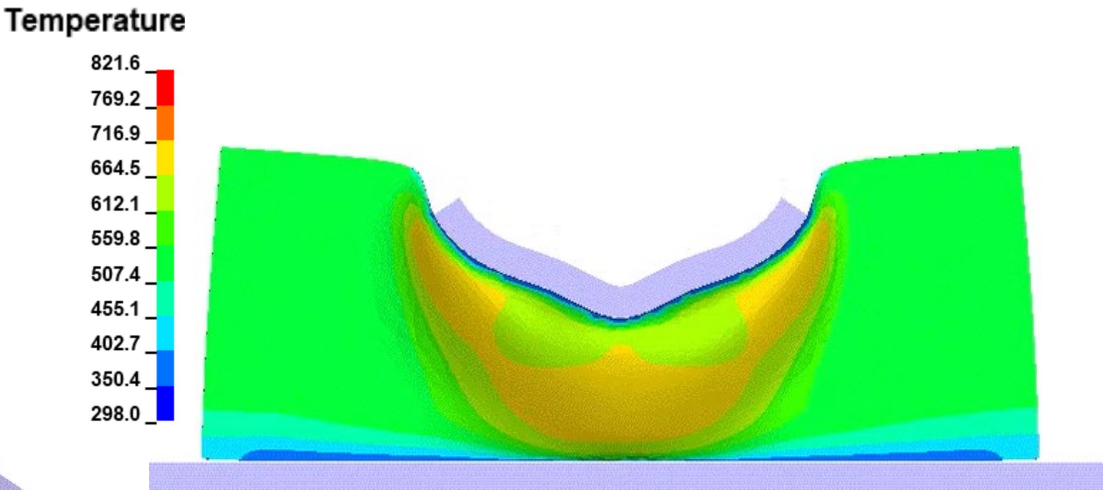
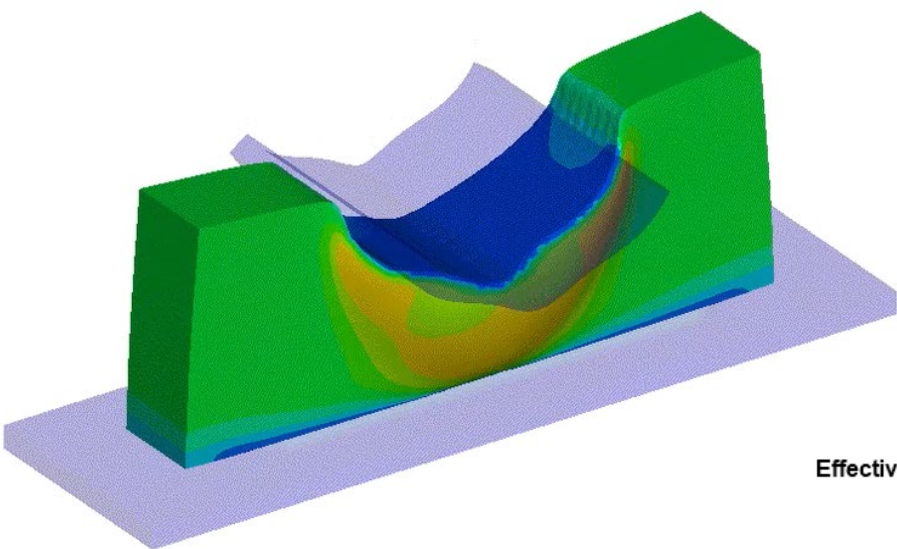
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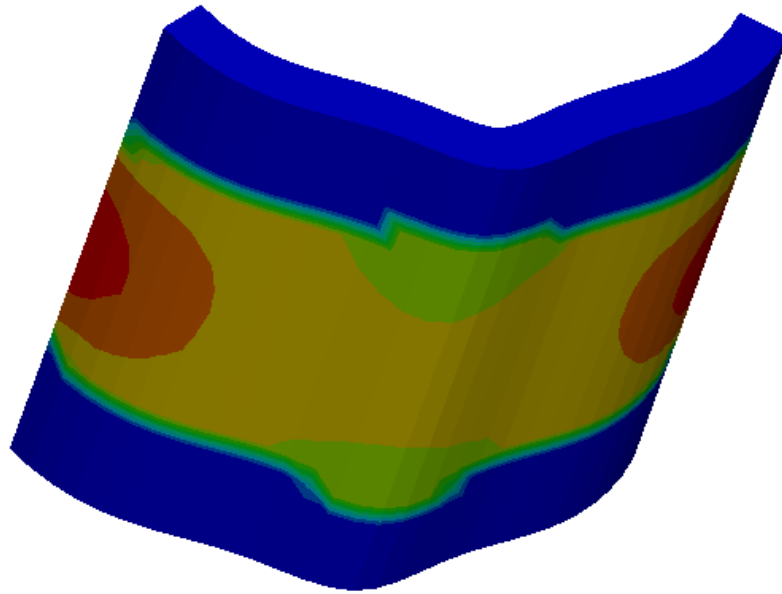
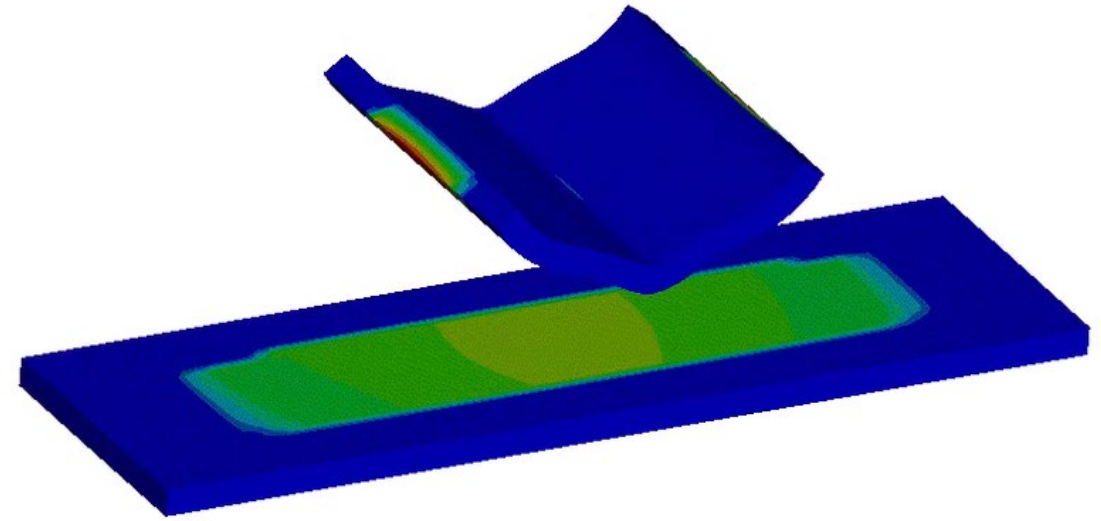
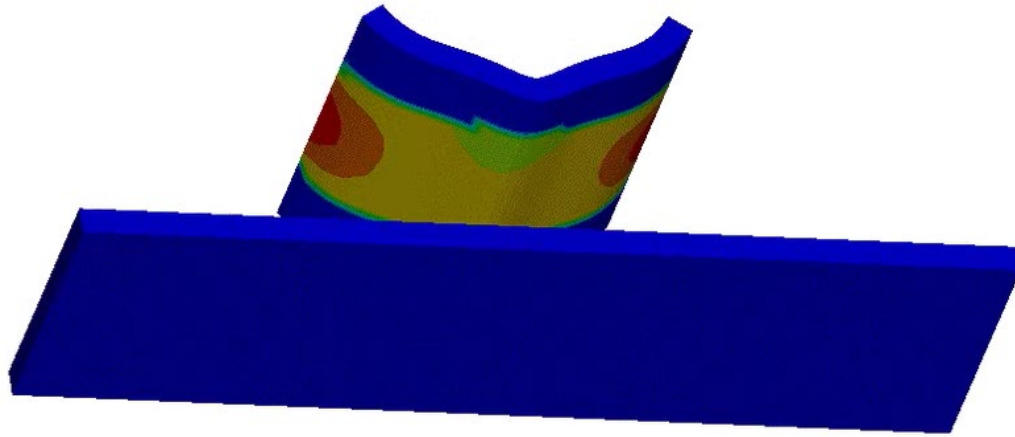
# Material Models

- \*MAT\_106, Thermomechanical
- Temperature and strain rate



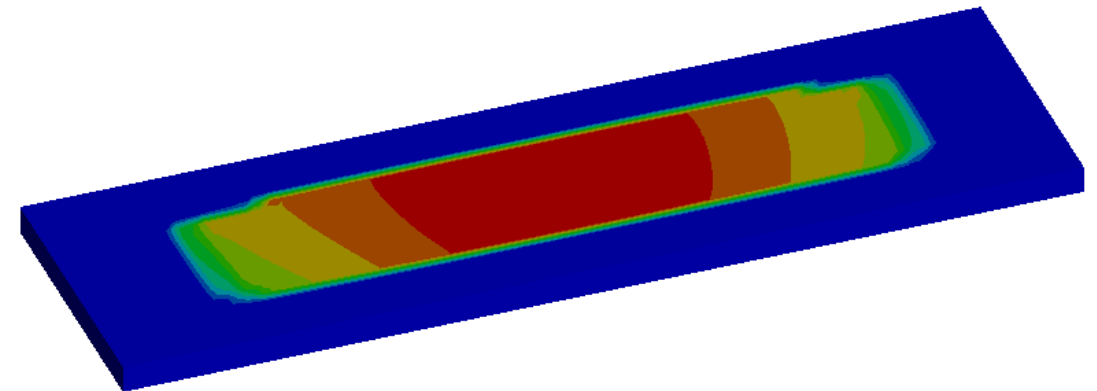
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- \*MAT\_106, Thermomechanical



Temperature

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405.1513  
393.2456  
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321.8114  
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298.0000



Temperature

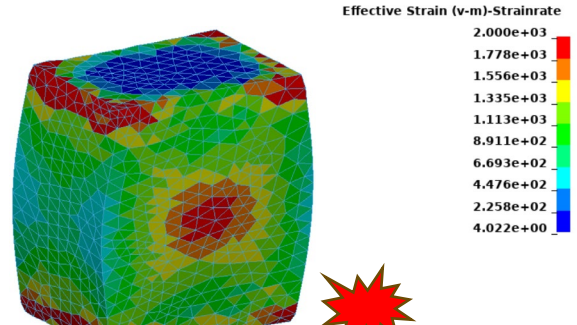
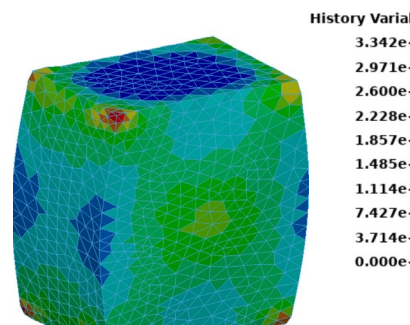
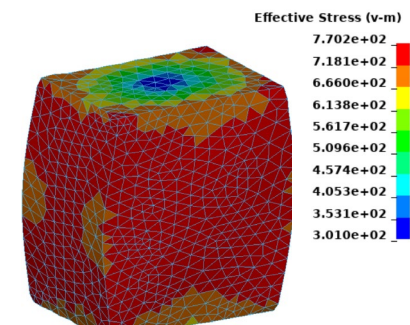
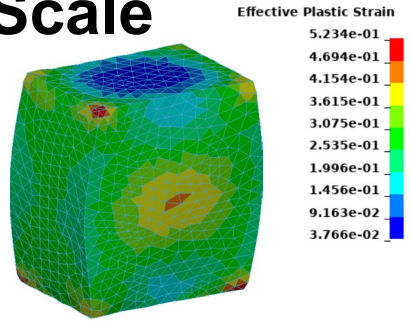
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# Strain Rate Scale

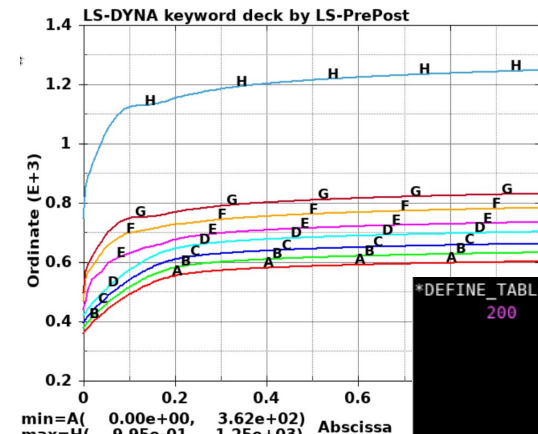
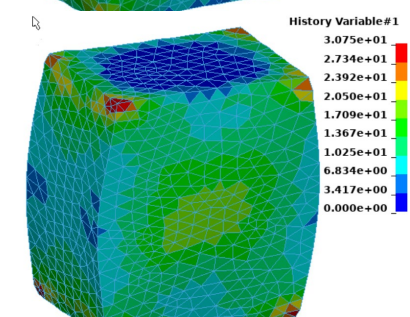
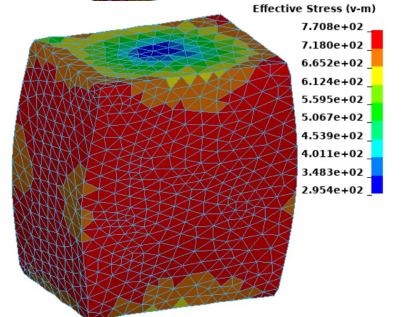
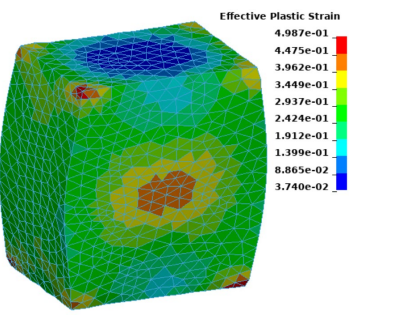
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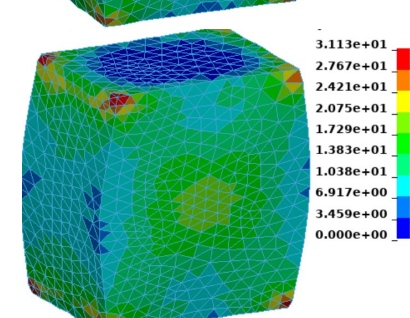
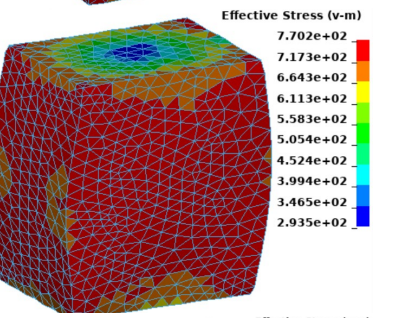
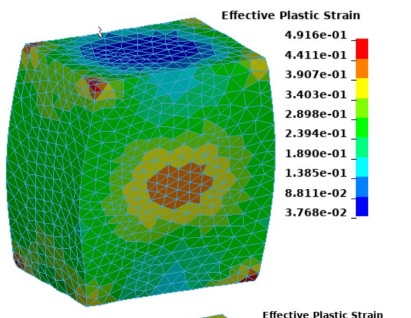


Define Curve  
A. (Curve 201)  
B. (Curve 202)  
C. (Curve 203)  
D. (Curve 204)  
E. (Curve 205)  
F. (Curve 206)  
G. (Curve 207)  
H. (Curve 208)

*DEFINE_TABLE		
200		
0.000		201
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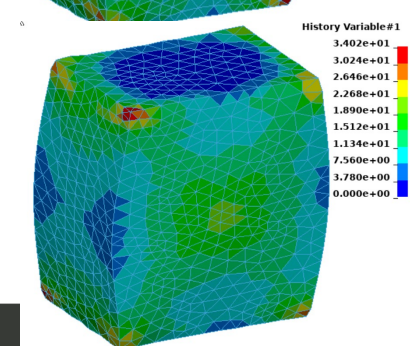
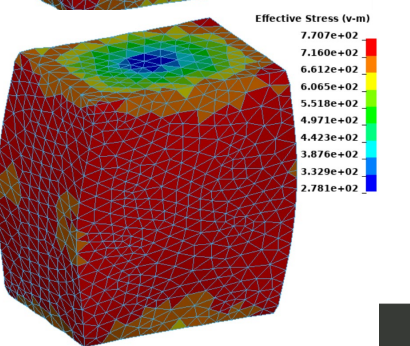
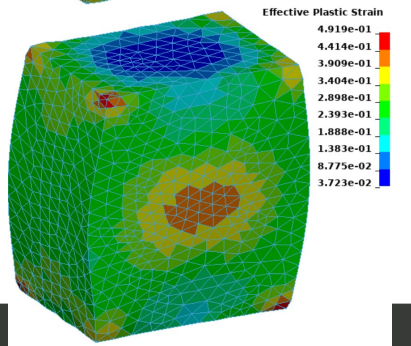
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V=100mm/s

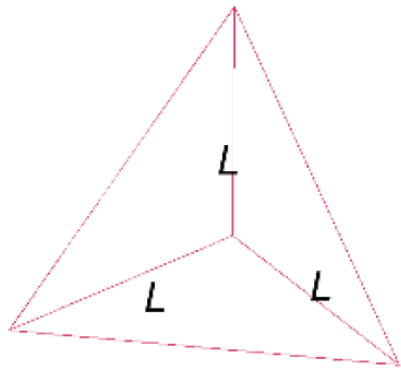
Adpsize(rate  
scale=1



CPU comparison (32 cores):  
v10K, rscale 100, 50 sec.  
V5k, rscale 50, 1 min  
V500, rscale 5, 5 min7sec  
V100, rscale 1, 22.5 min



## □ Solvers: Explicit and Implicit

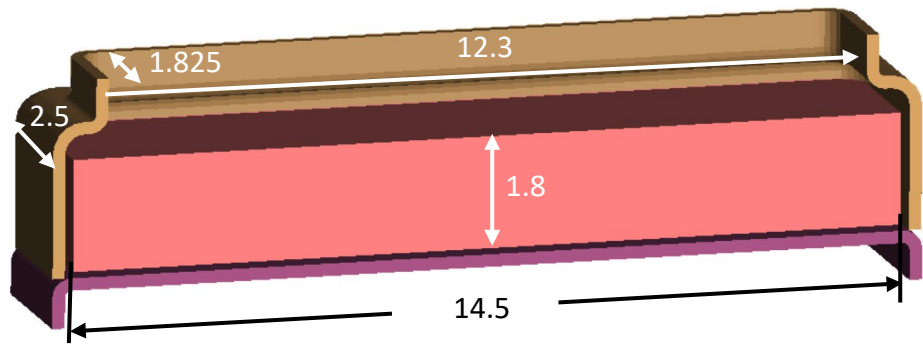
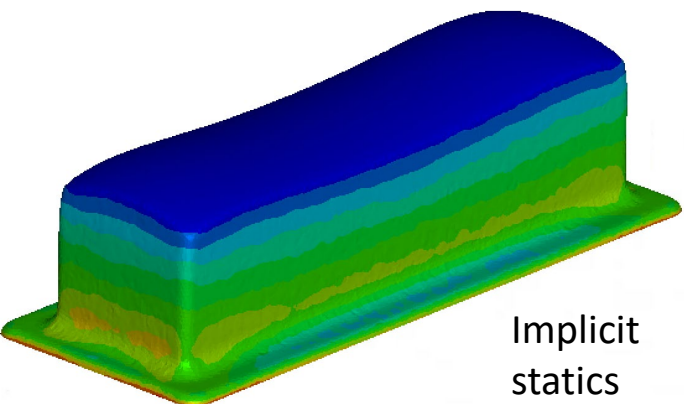
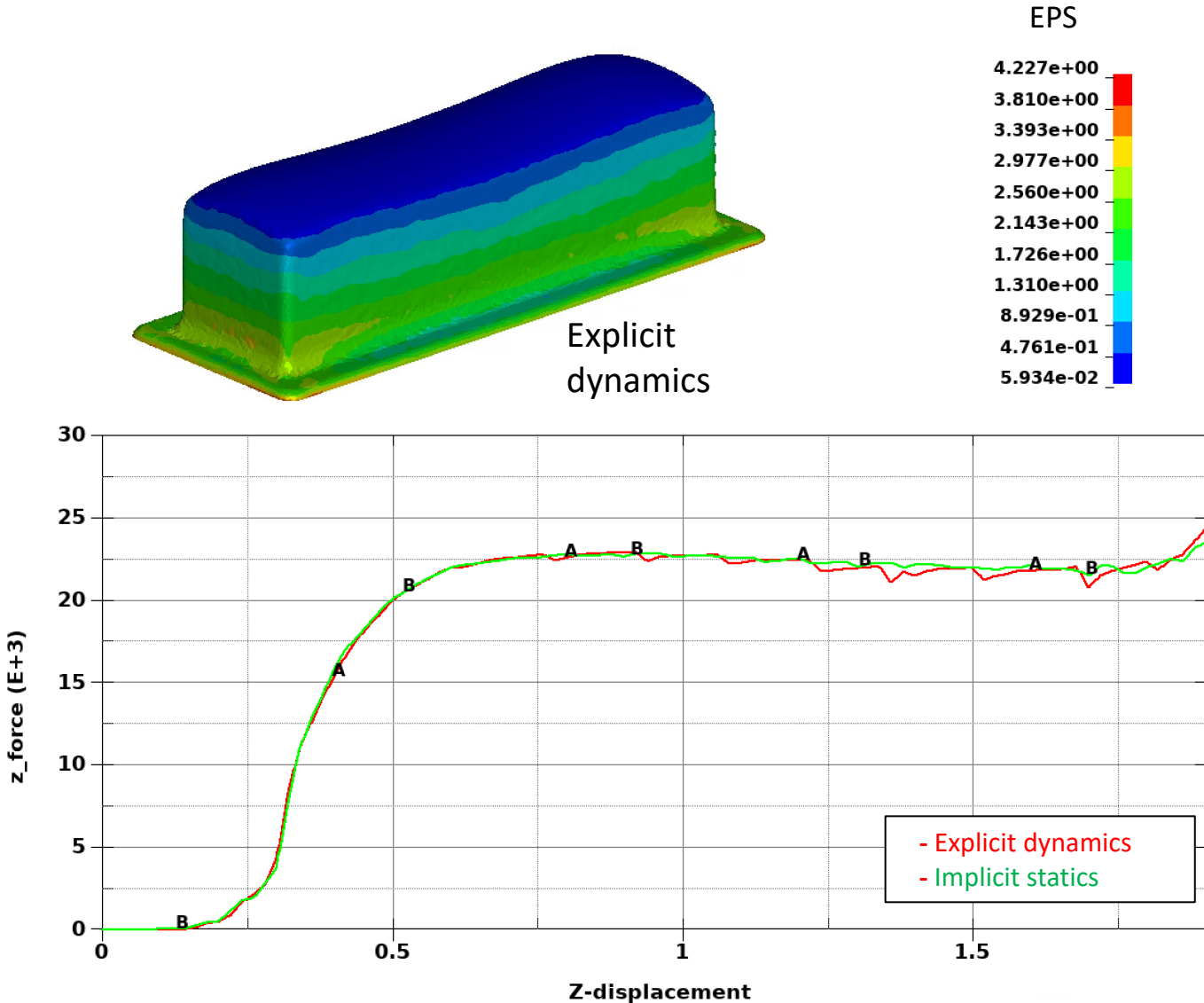


Tetra element edge length $L \times L \times L$ (mm)	Characteristic length (mm)	CFL time step size (sec.)
$1 \times 1 \times 1$	0.577	$8.6\text{E-}8$
$0.5 \times 0.5 \times 0.5$	0.289	$4.3\text{E-}8$
$0.25 \times 0.25 \times 0.25$	0.144	$2.2\text{E-}8$
$0.01 \times 0.01 \times 0.01$	0.00577	$8.6\text{E-}10$

Table 1. CFL time step size of a trirectangular tetrahedron of an aluminum alloy.

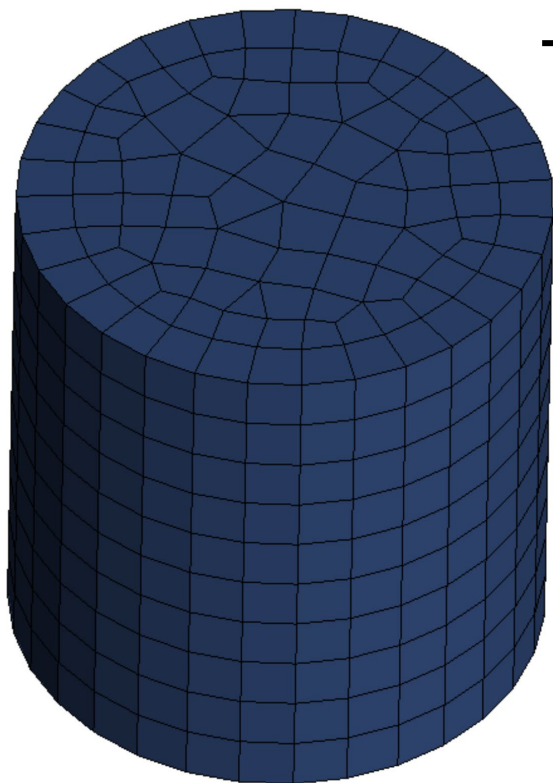


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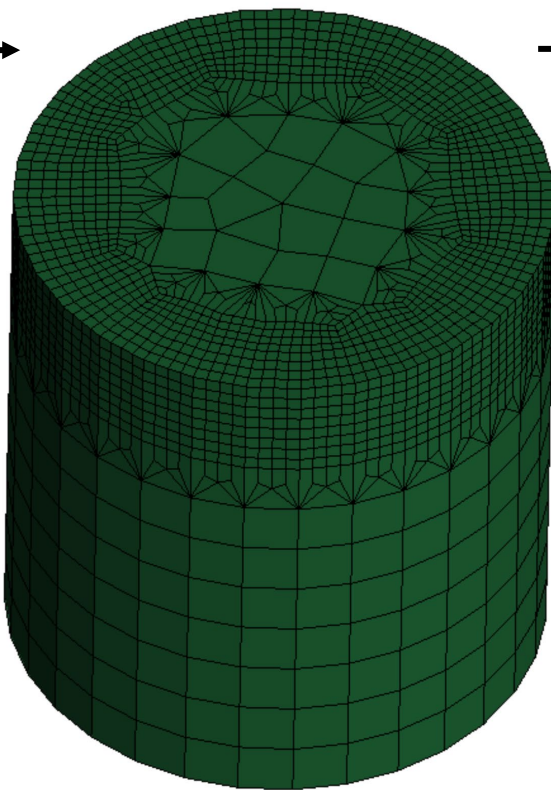


## □LS-PrePost Meshing Features: workpiece meshing

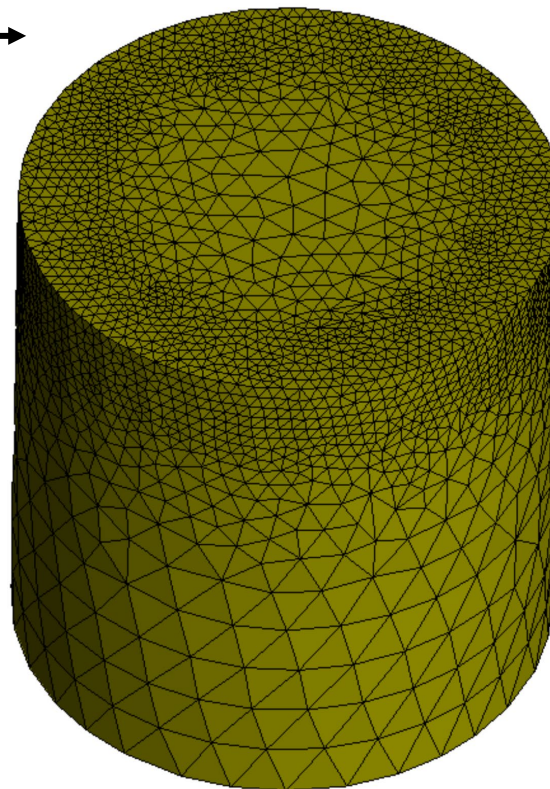
2mm QAUD



0.5~2mm TRI/QAUD



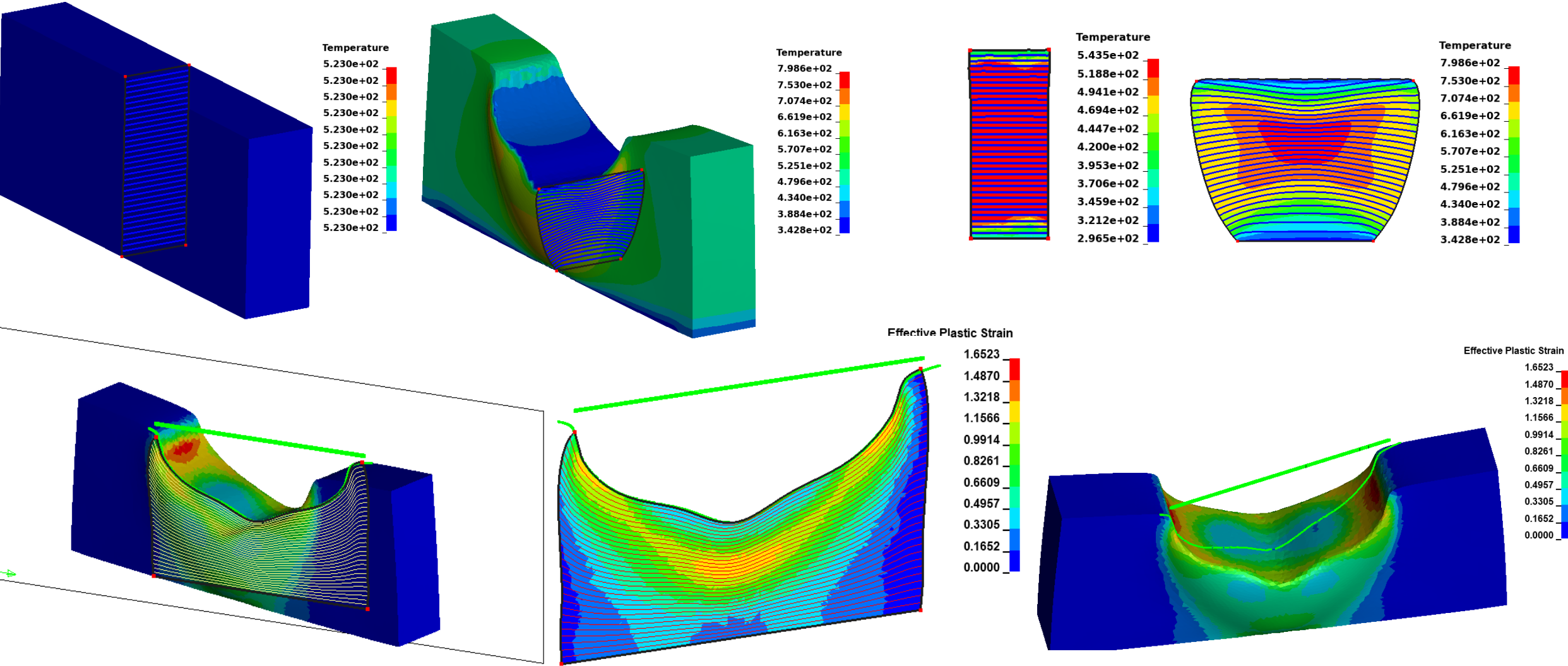
0.4~2mm Remeshed TRI



0.4~2mm Remeshed TETRA

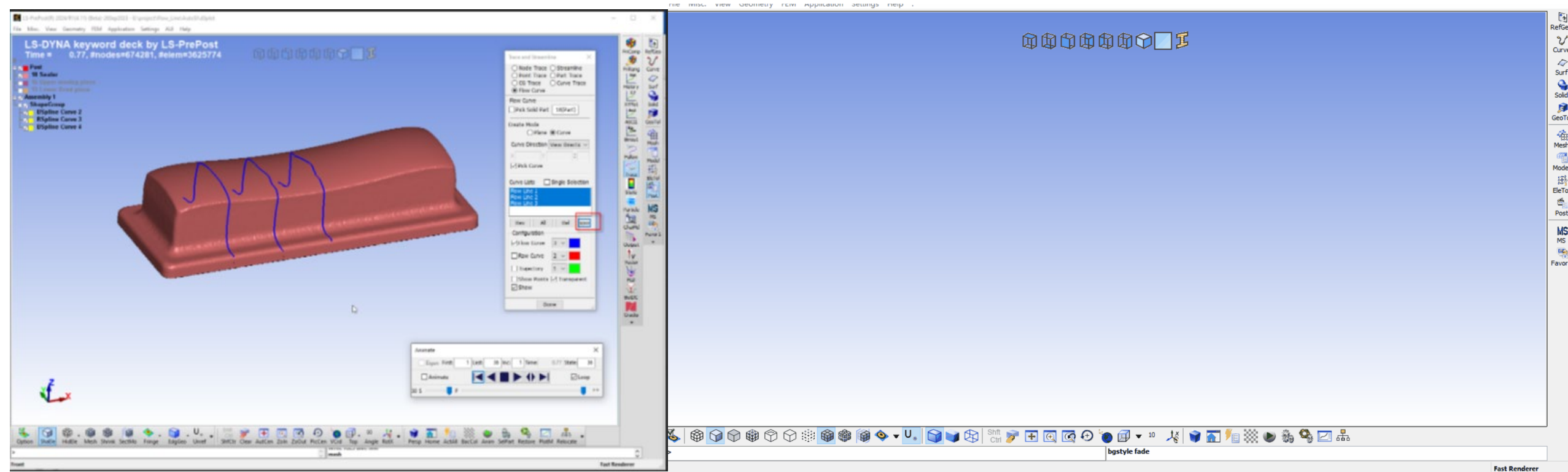


# LS-PrePost Features: Flow Curves (Internal)





# LS-PrePost Features: Flow Curves (Surface)



## □ **Summary**

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- ❖ **Element, Trimming, Contact**
- ❖ **Material models, C-L damage/failure, strain rate scaling**
- ❖ **Explicit/implicit solvers**
- ❖ **Thermomechanical coupled forging**

Thank You For Your Attention

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