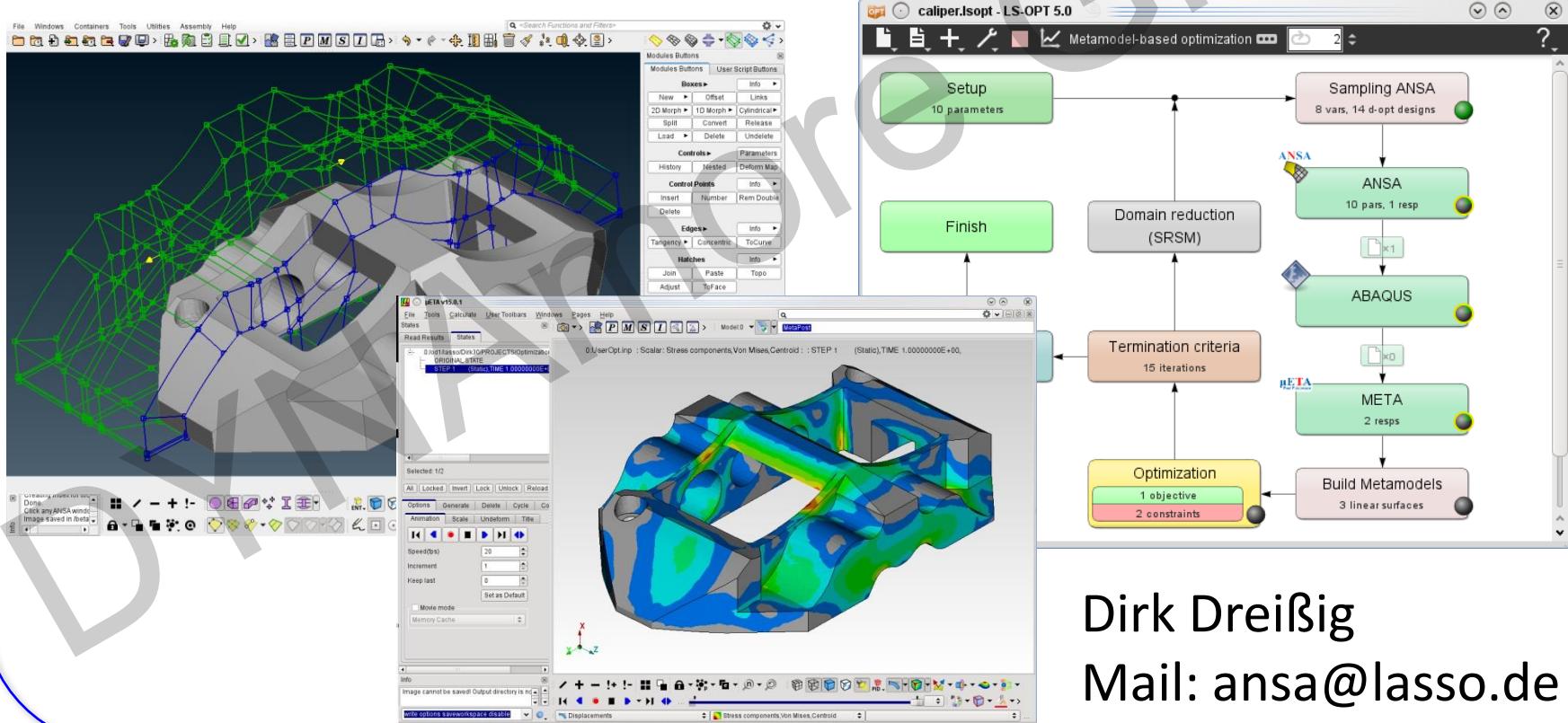


# The interaction between LS-OPT, ANSA and $\mu$ ETA



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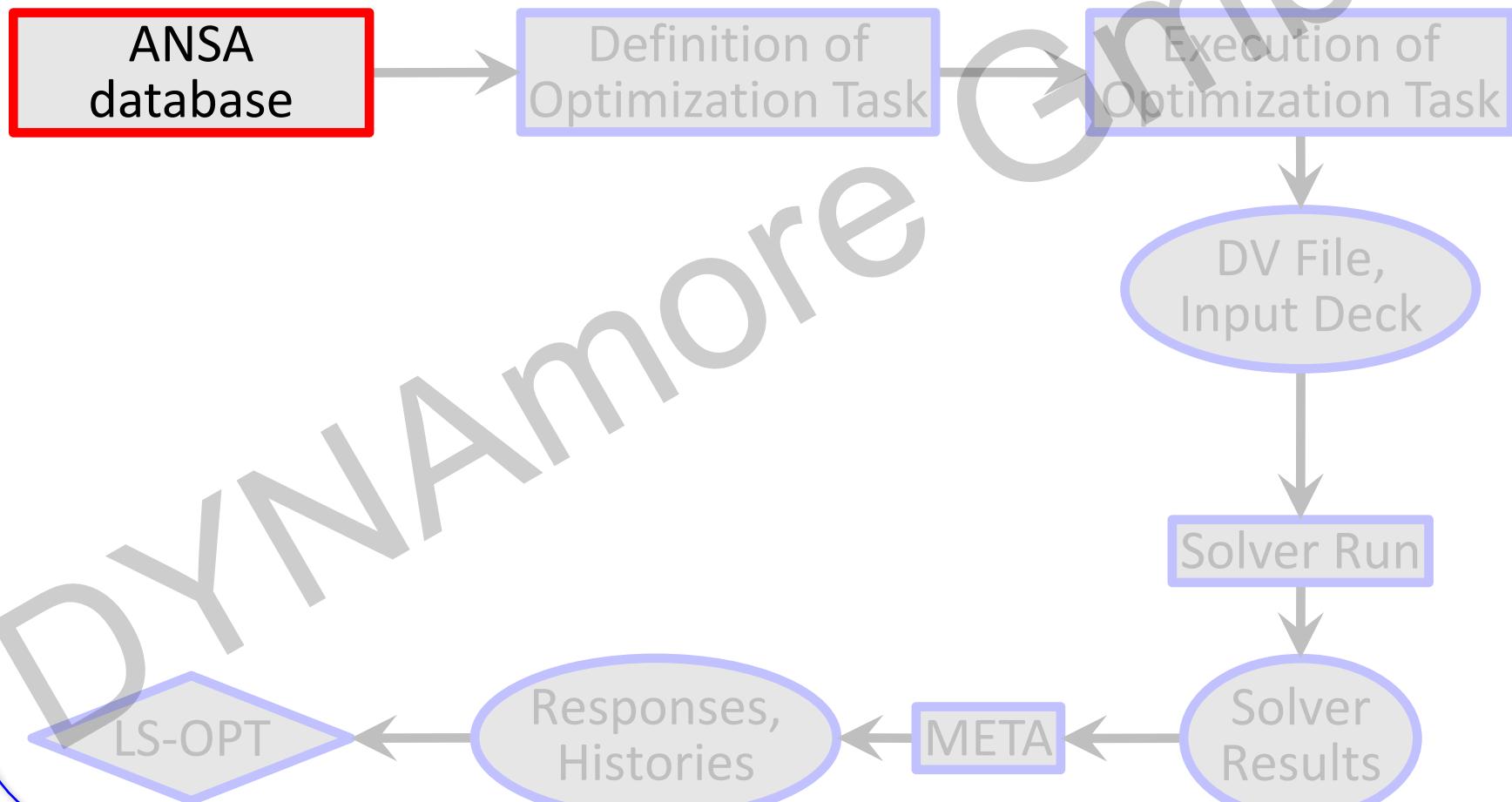
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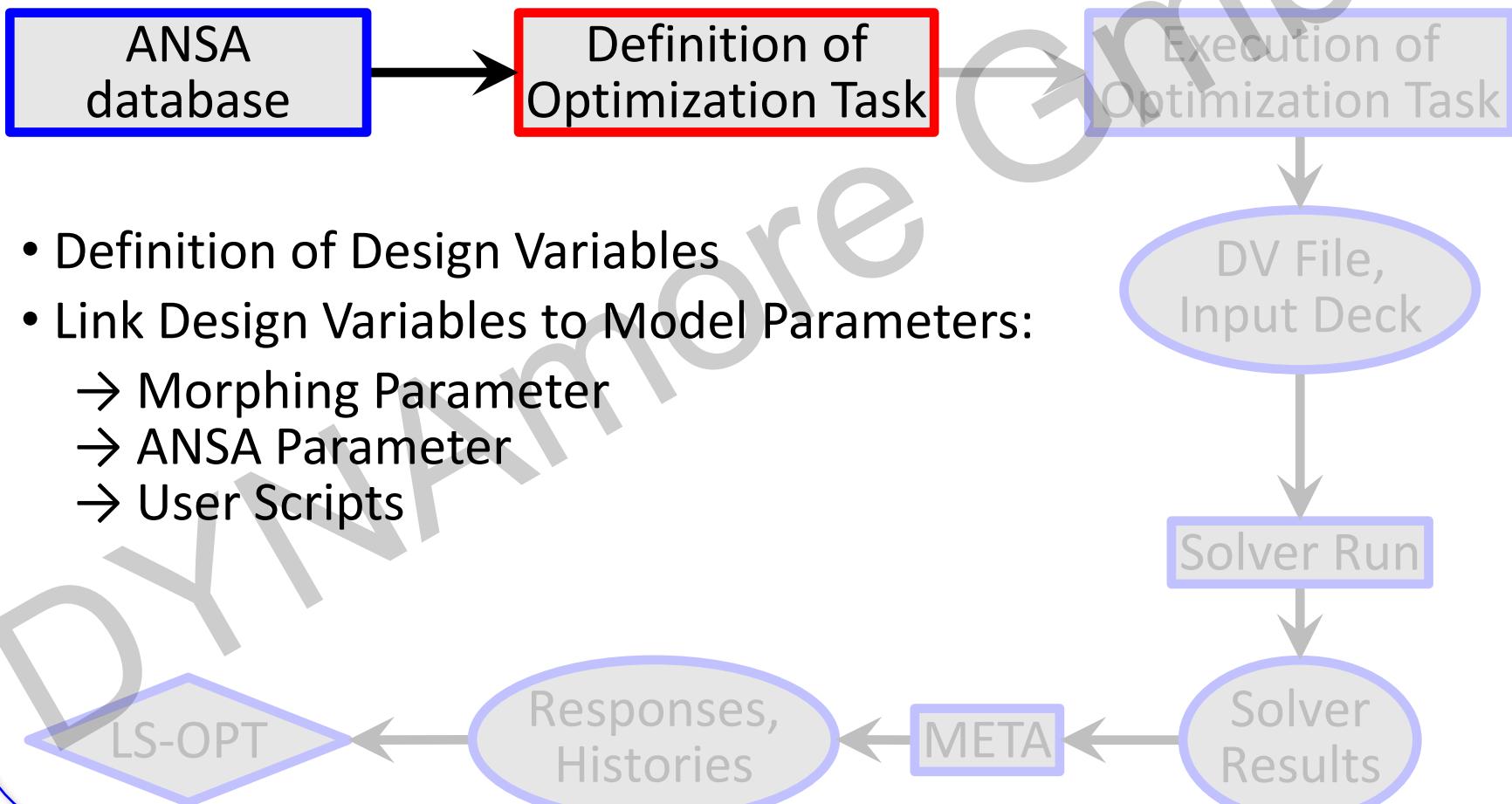
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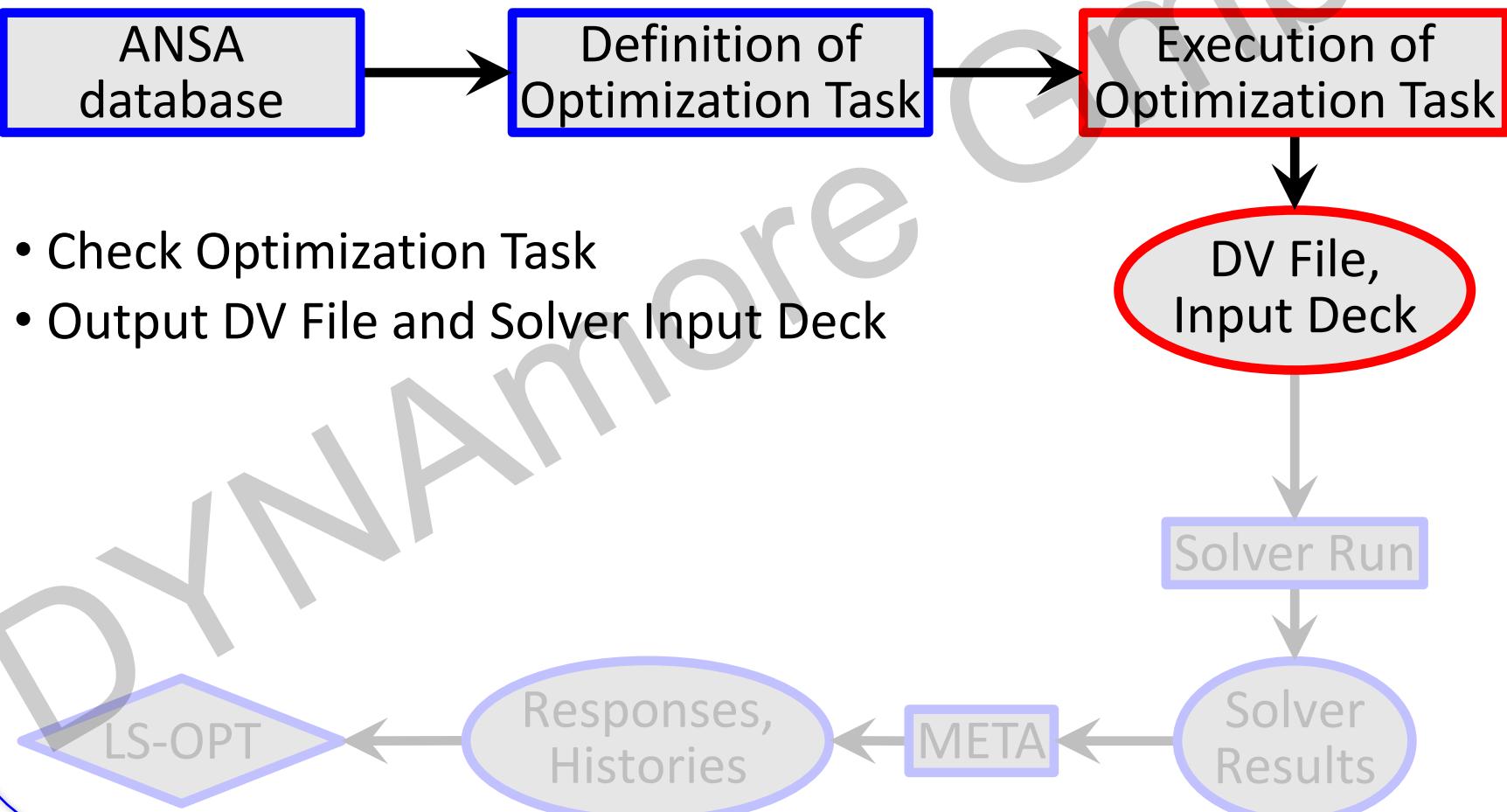
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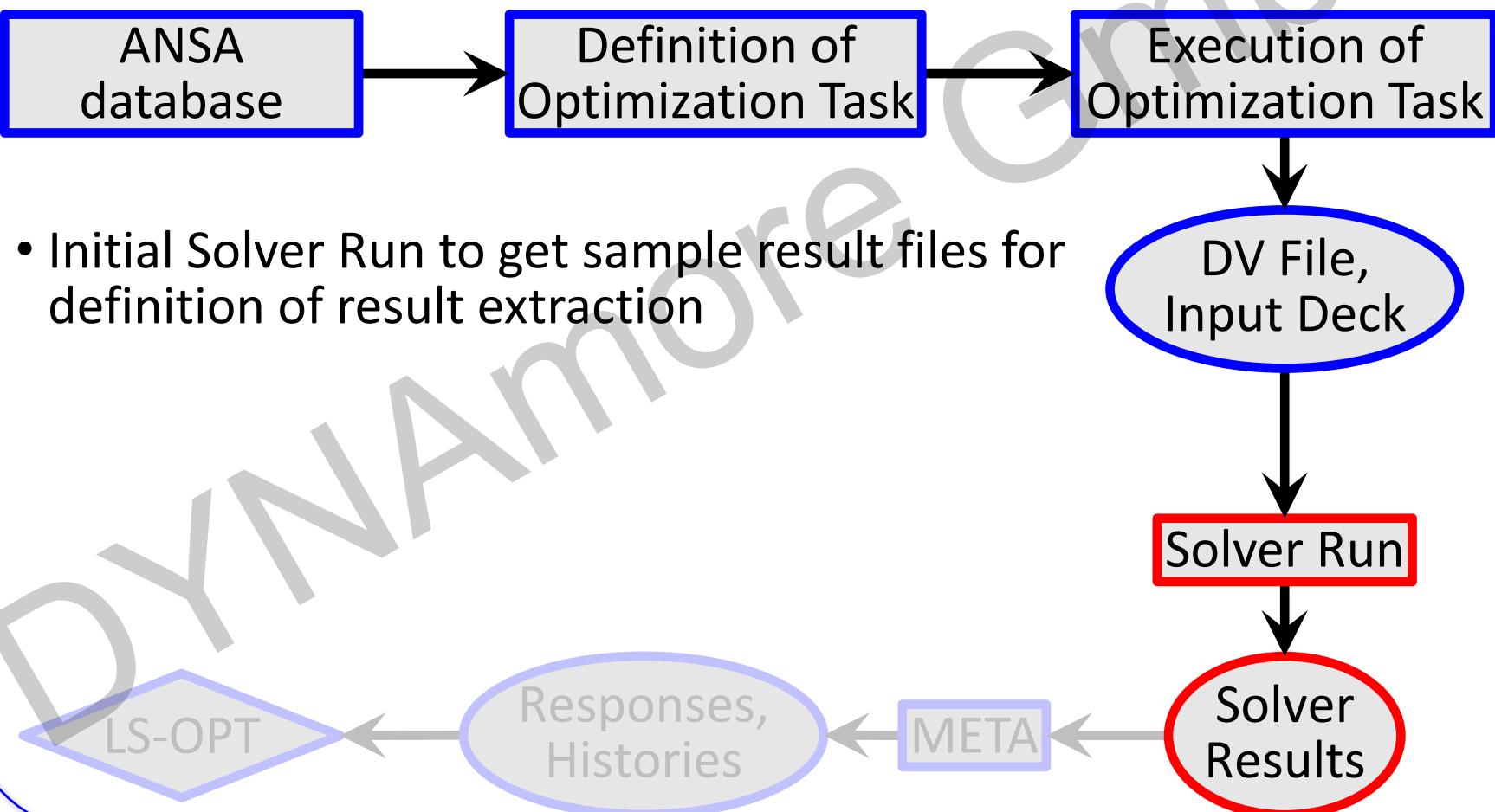
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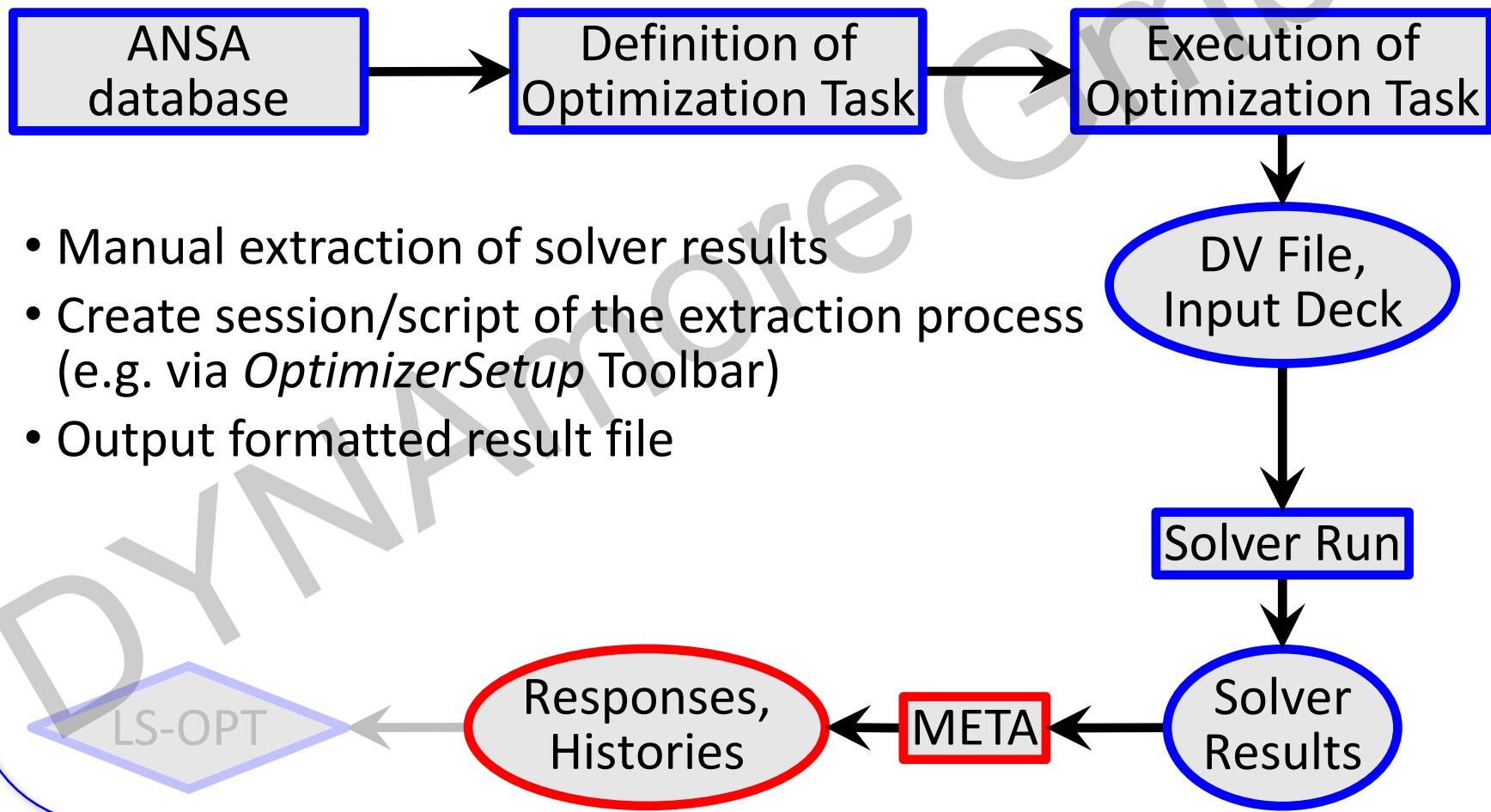
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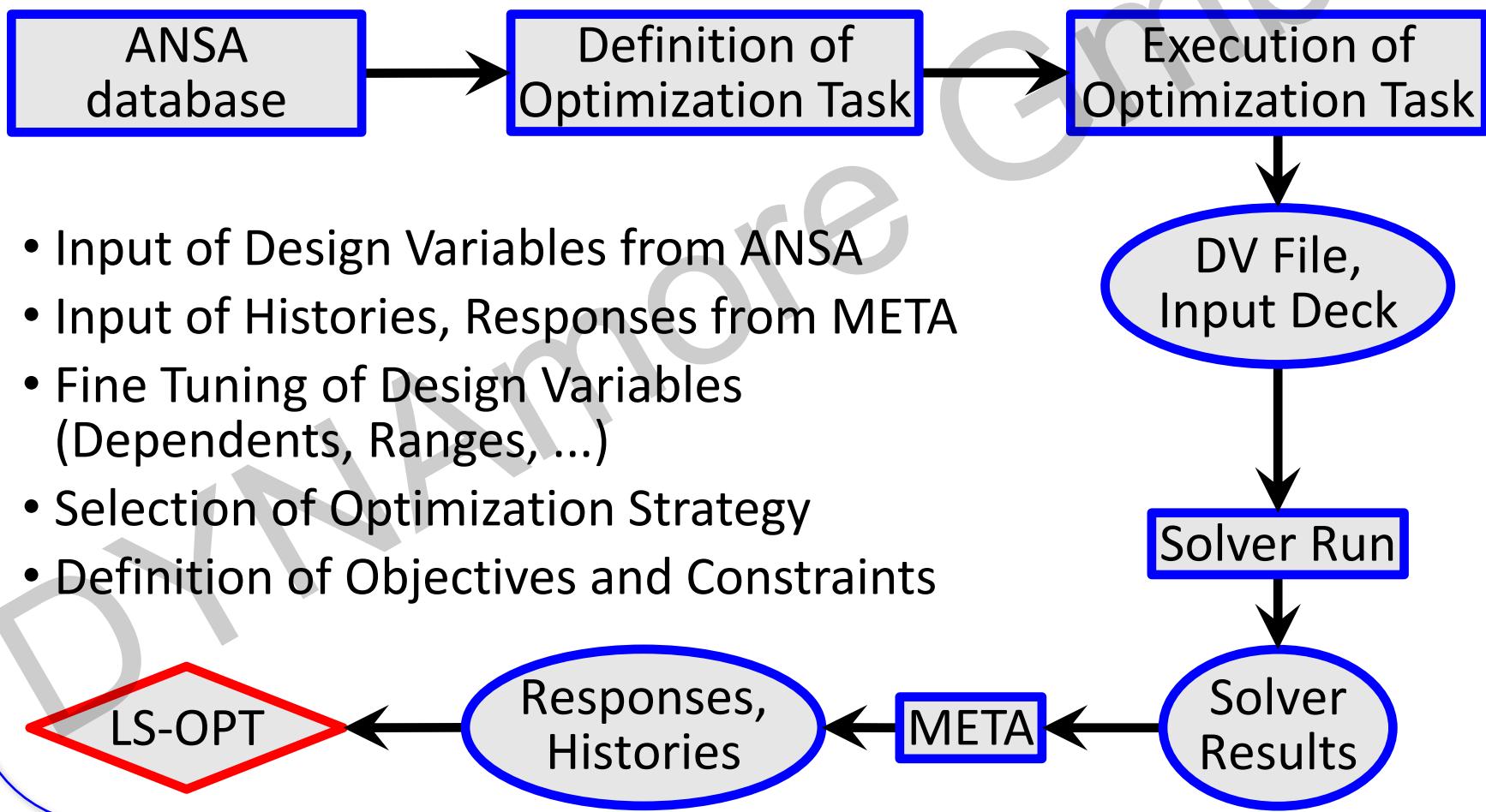
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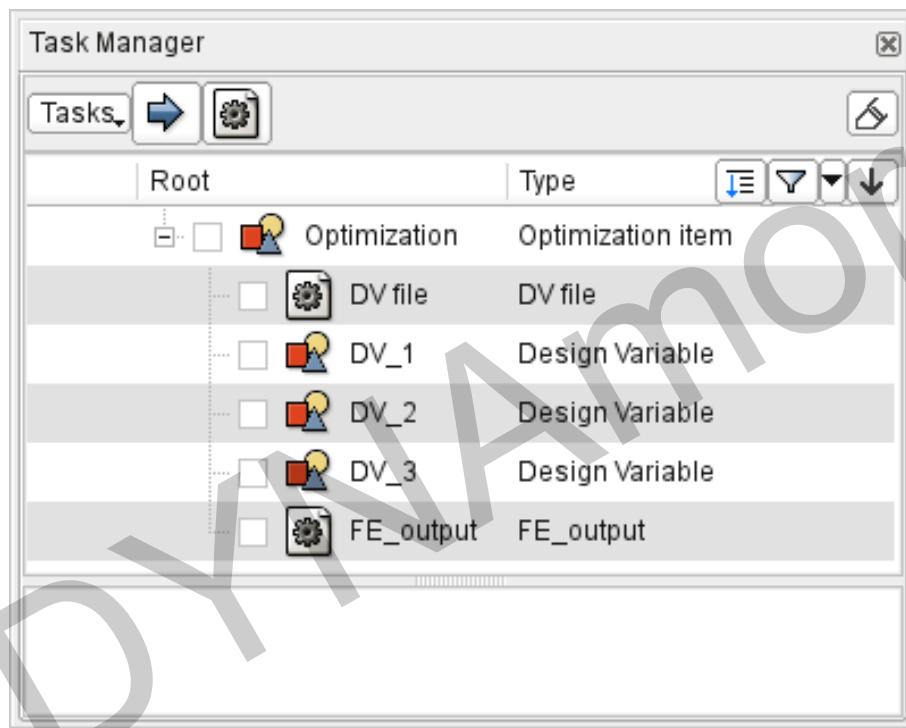
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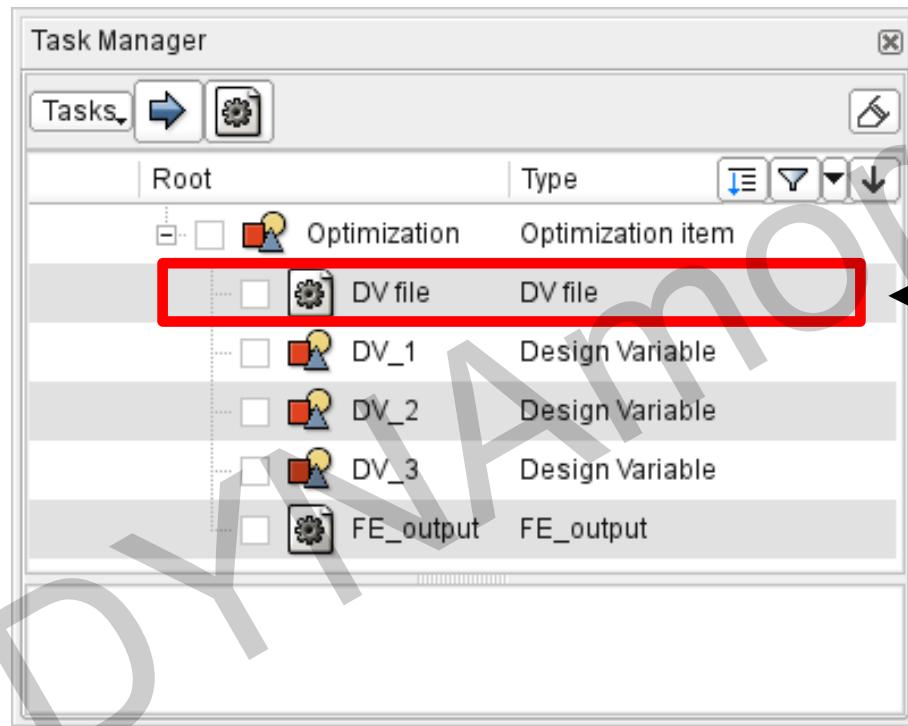
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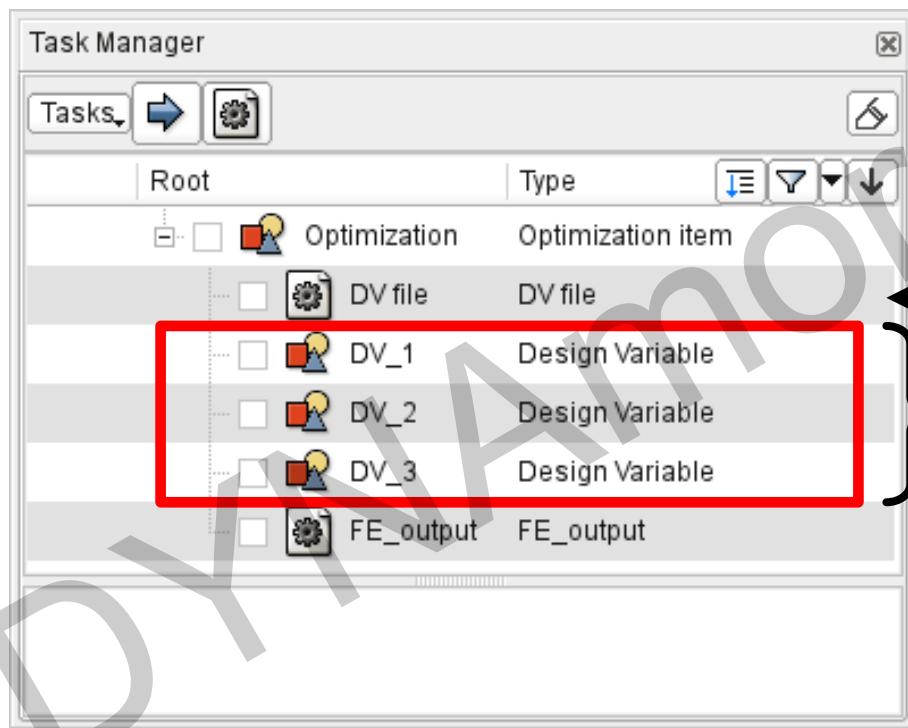
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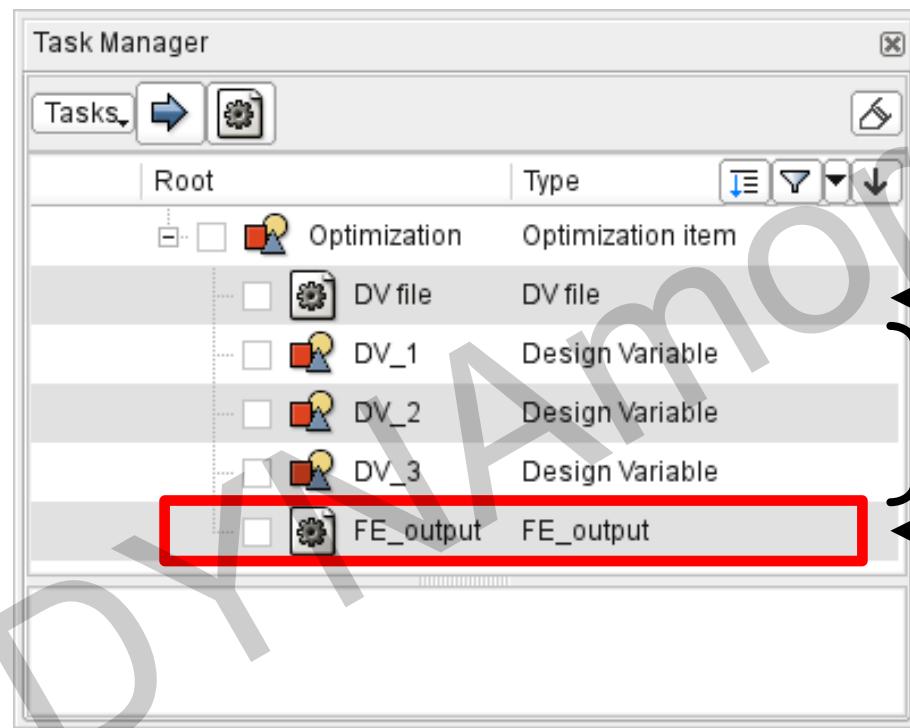
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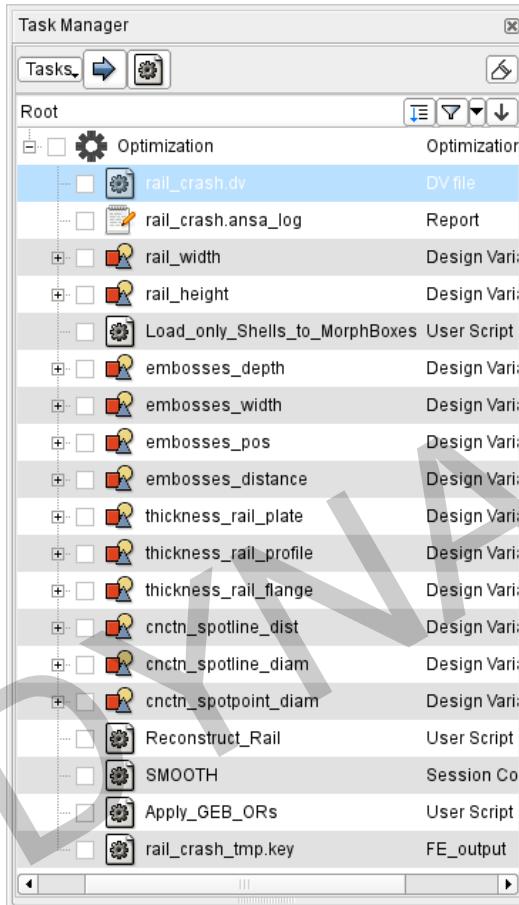
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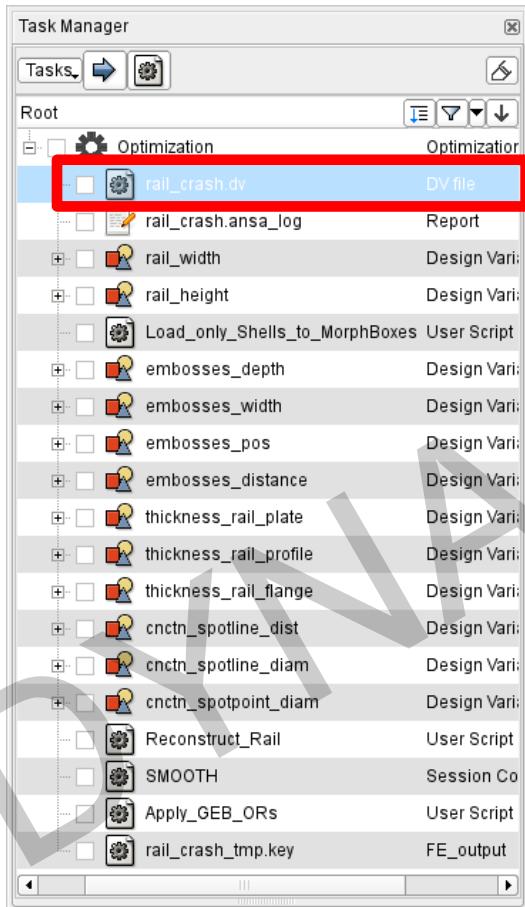
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3. Output Solver Deck

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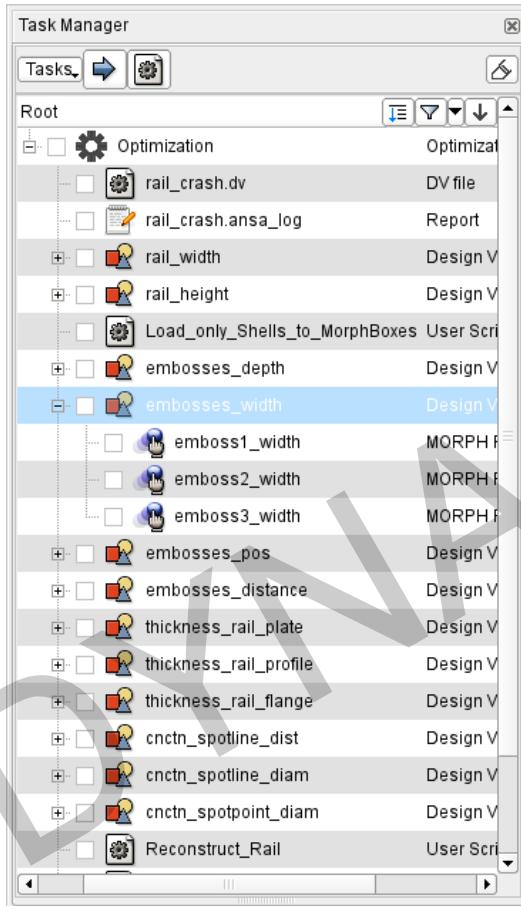


```
#  
# ANSA_VERSION: 14.2.3  
#  
# file created by ANSA Mon Feb 17 17:13:25 2014  
#  
# Output from:  
# /od1/lasso/Dirk30/PROJECTS/Optimierung_Rail_LS-OPT/Rail_MDO/rail_crash.ansa  
#  
# DESIGN VARIABLES  
#  
# ID | DESIGN VARIABLE NAME | TYPE | RANGE | CURRENT VALUE | MIN VALUE --> MAX VALUE | STEP  
#-----  
10, rail_width, REAL, BOUNDS, 10., -20., 20.  
11, rail_height, REAL, BOUNDS, 10., -20., 20.  
1, embosses_depth, REAL, BOUNDS, 7., 0., 7.  
3, embosses_width, REAL, BOUNDS, 10., -10., 10.  
2, embosses_pos, REAL, BOUNDS, -15., -50., 20.  
7, embosses_distance, REAL, BOUNDS, -15., -15., 50.  
4, thickness_rail_plate, REAL, STEP, 1.5, 0.5, 2., 0.1  
5, thickness_rail_profile, REAL, STEP, 1.5, 0.5, 2., 0.1  
8, thickness_rail_flange, REAL, STEP, 1.5, 0.5, 3., 0.1  
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9, cnctn_spotline_diam, REAL, STEP, 5., 2., 10., 1.  
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#
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Correctly formatted for  
import in LS-OPT

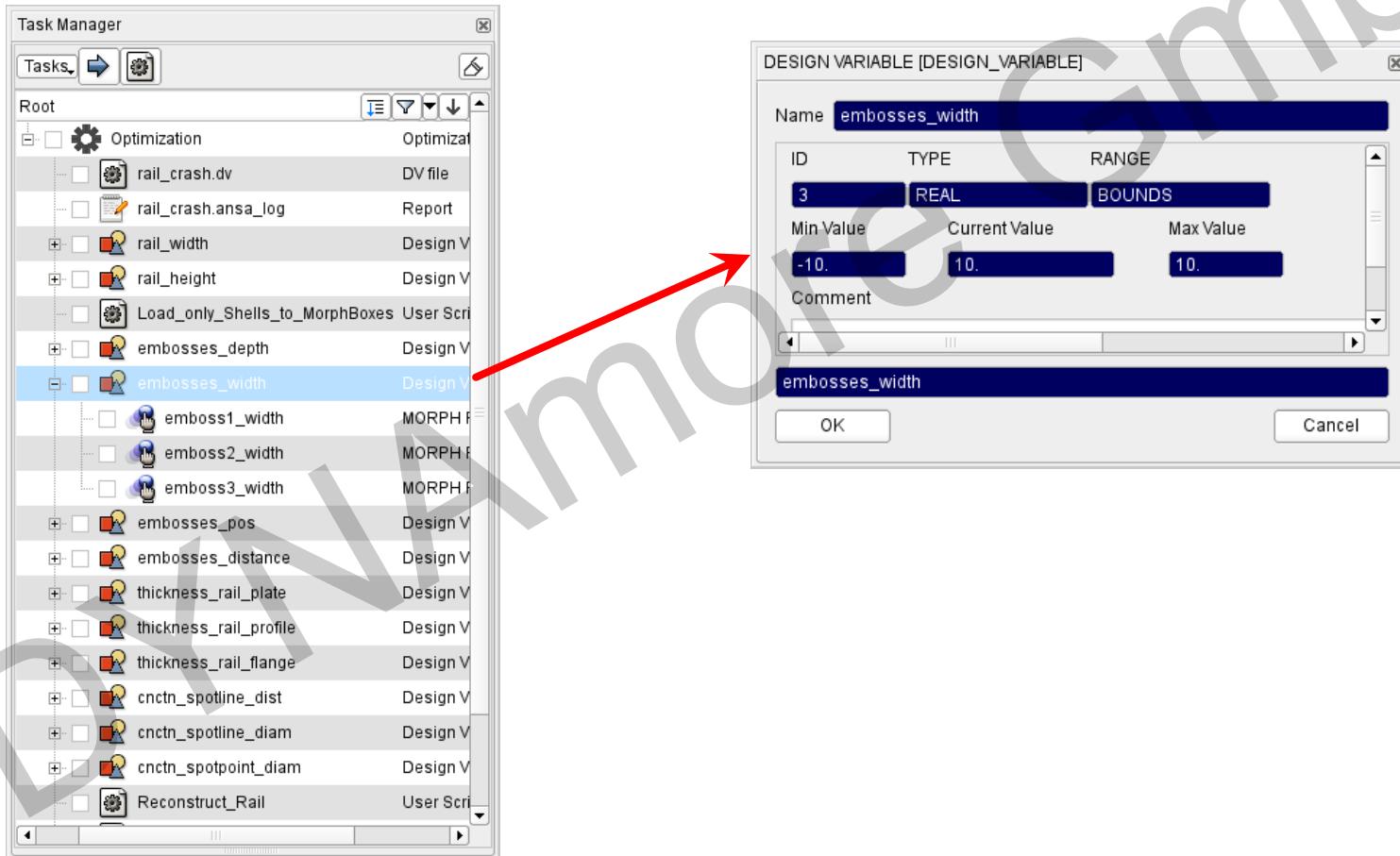
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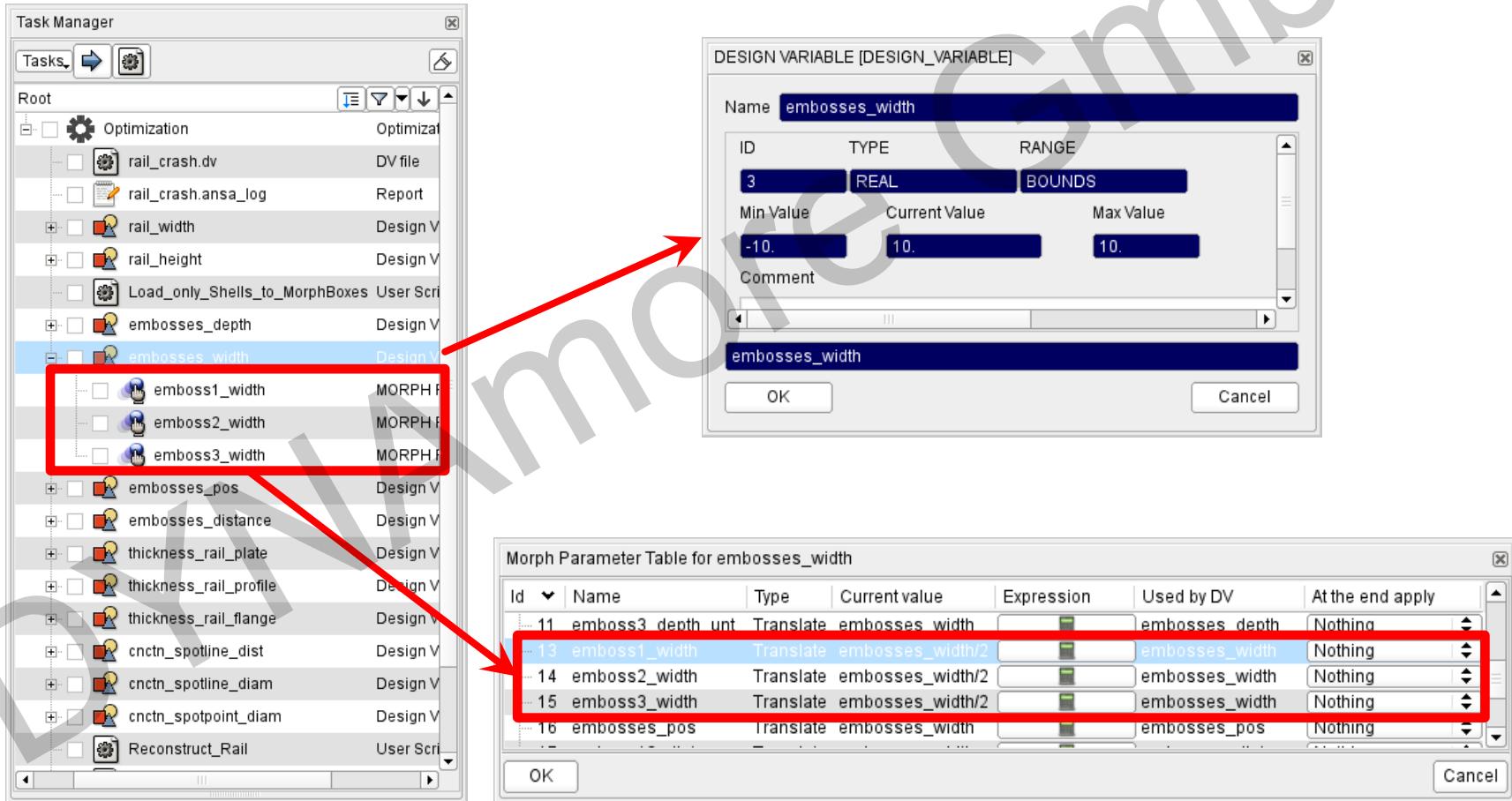
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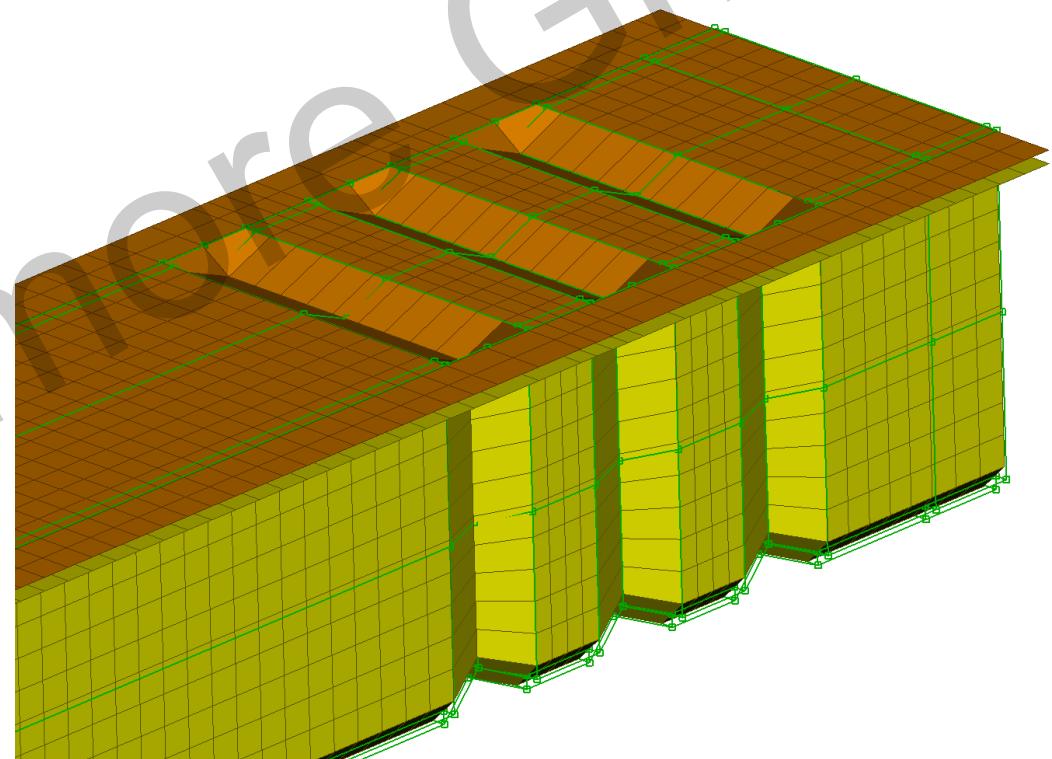
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Shape modification

Design Variable = 10.0

Morphing Parameter

Width of depressions



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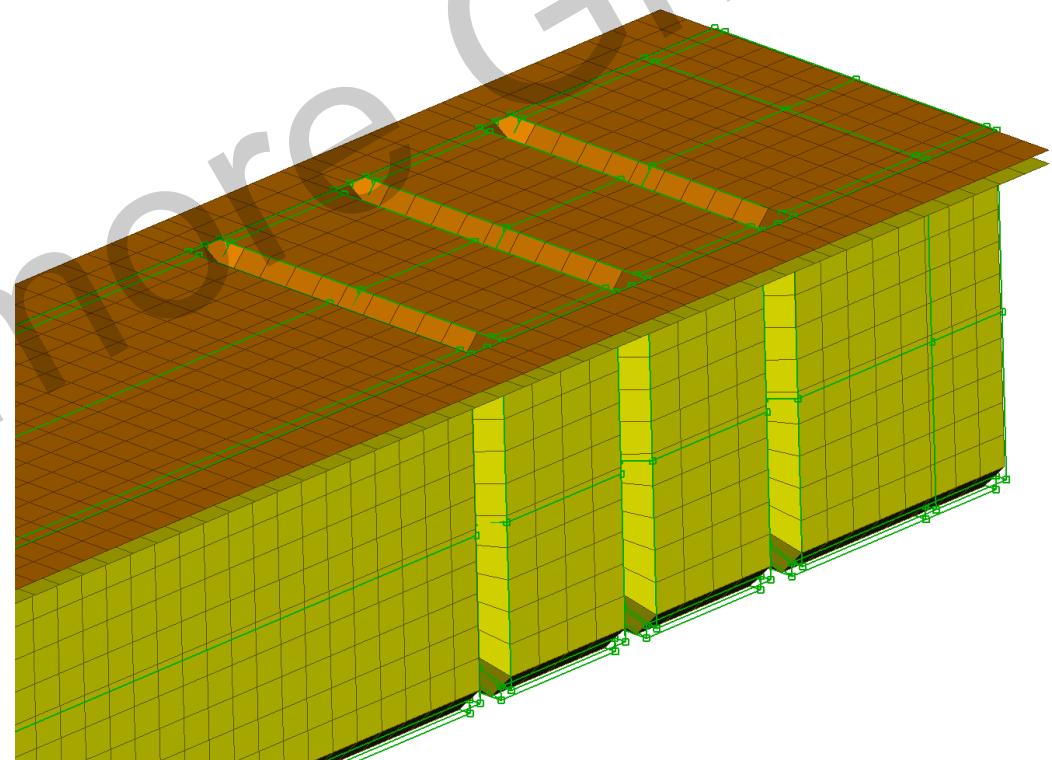
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Design Variable = -5.0

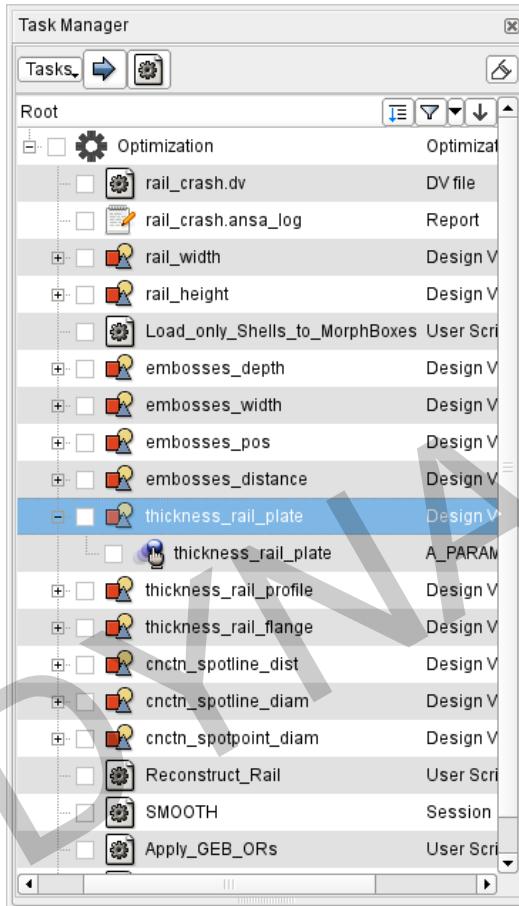
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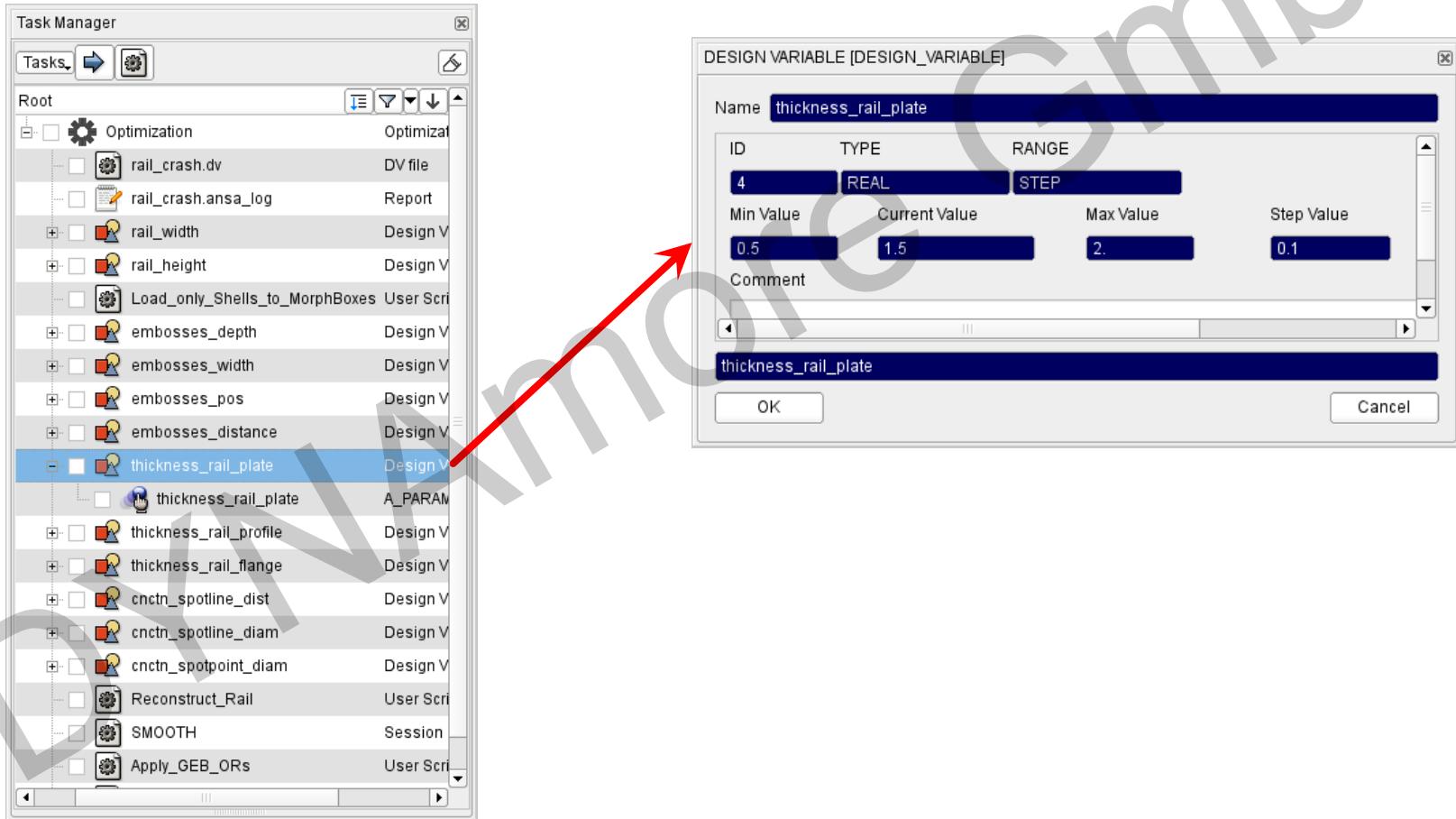
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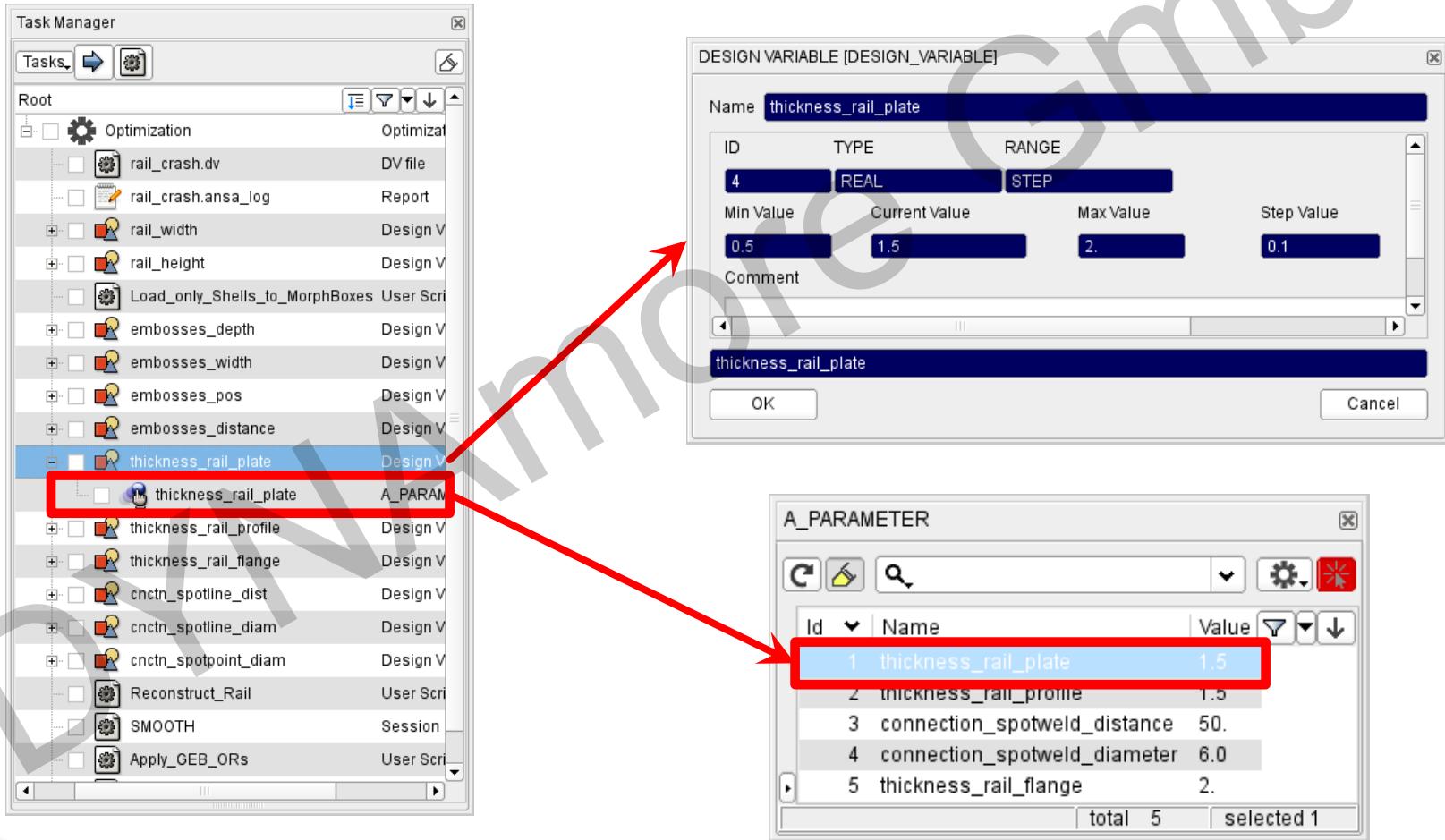
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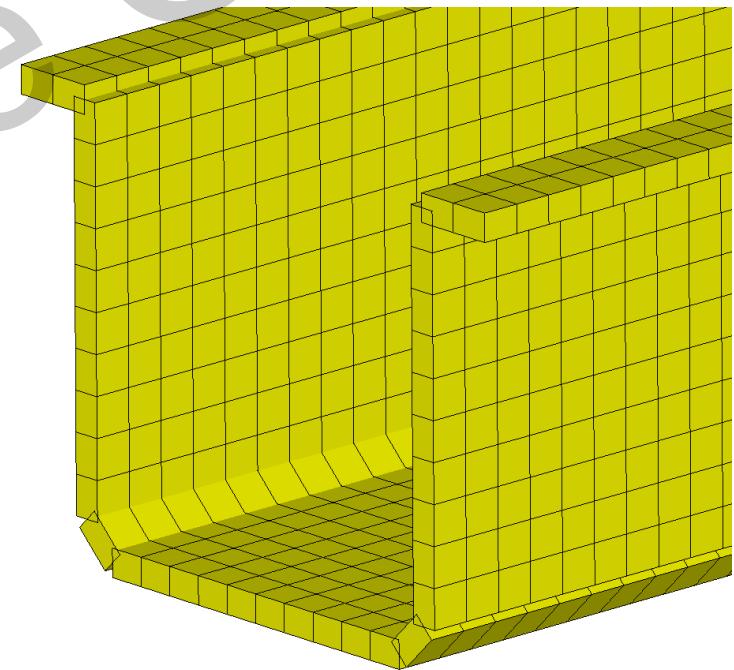
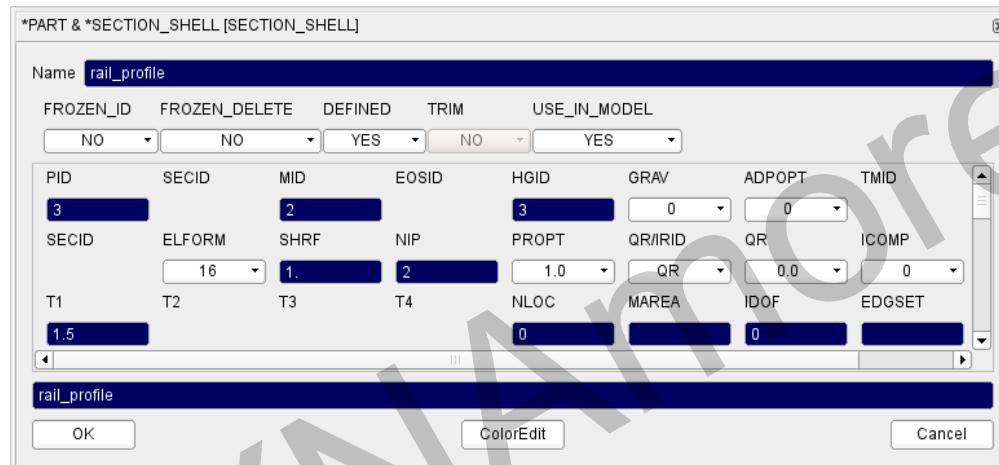
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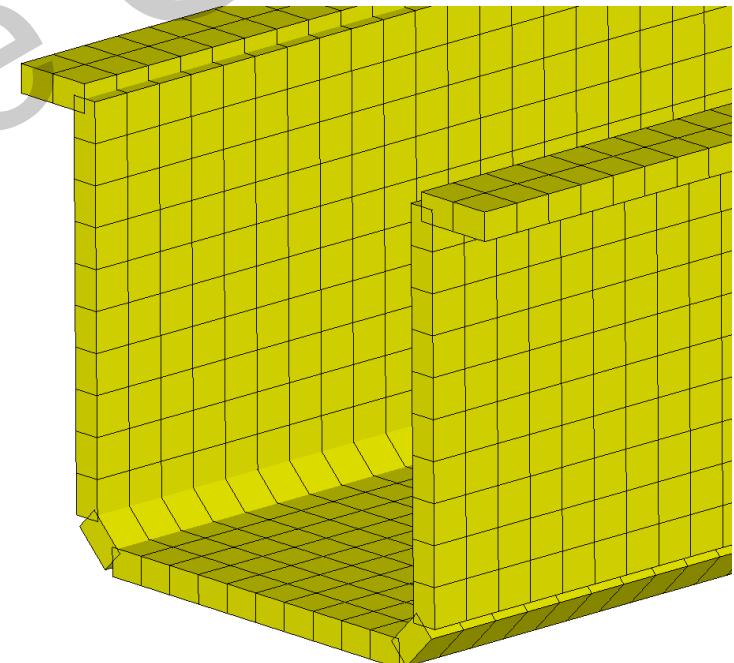
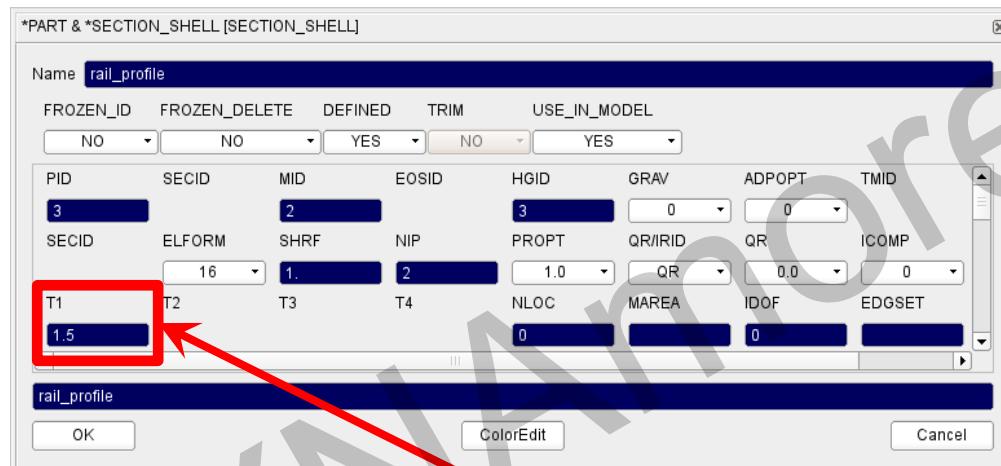
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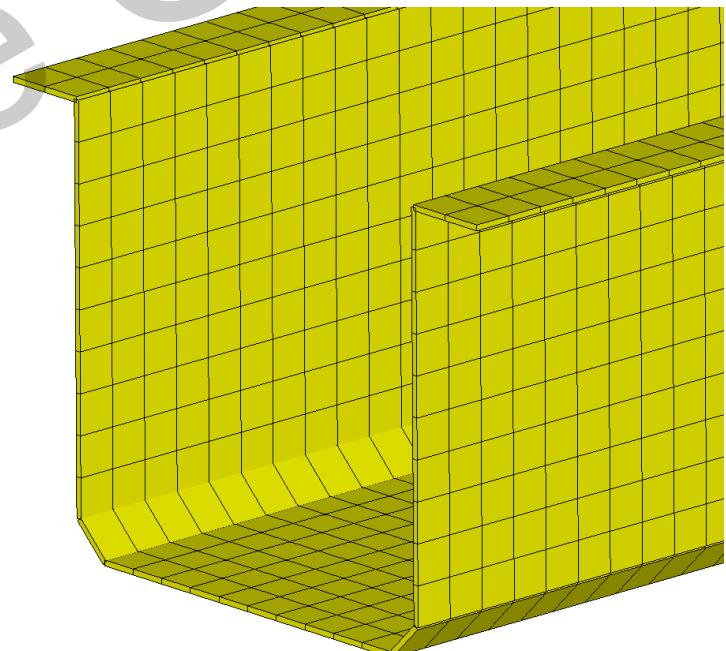
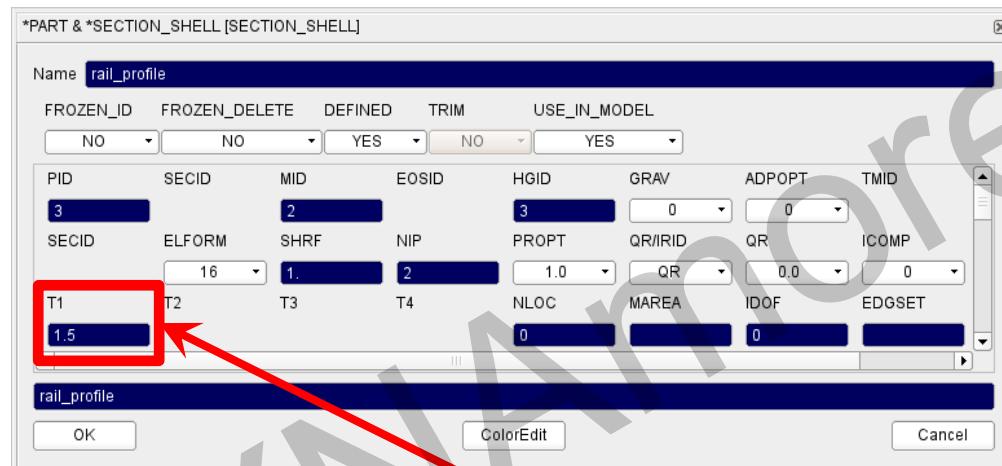
ANSA Parameter

Design Variable = 5.0

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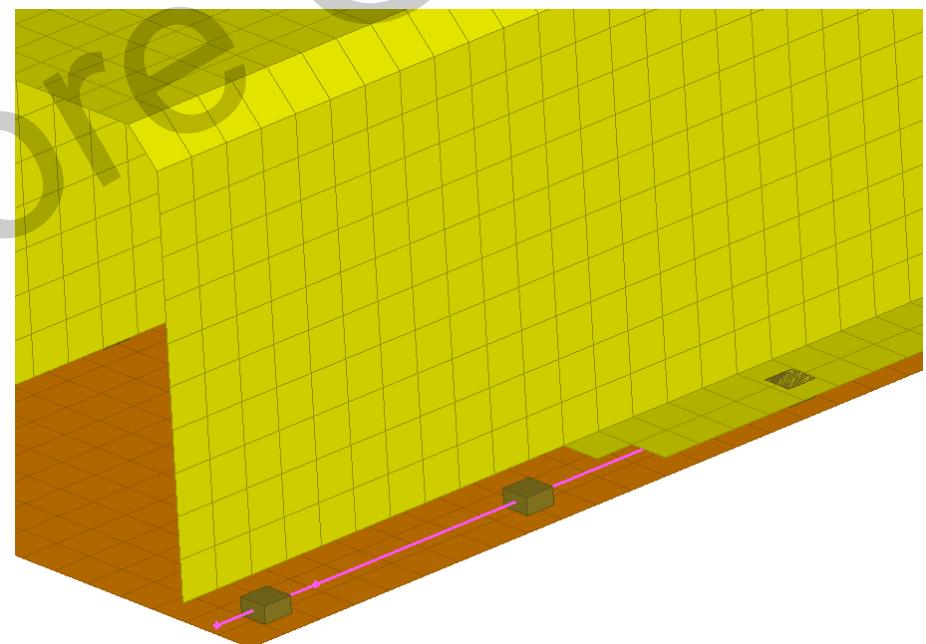
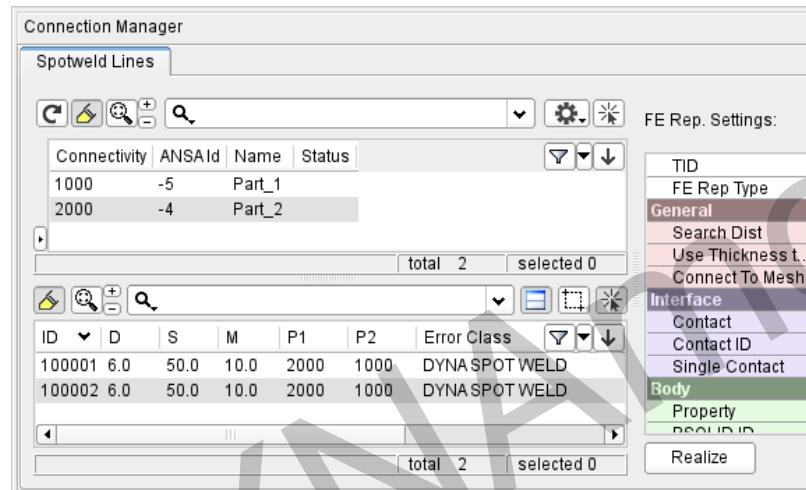
ANSA Parameter

Design Variable = 1.0

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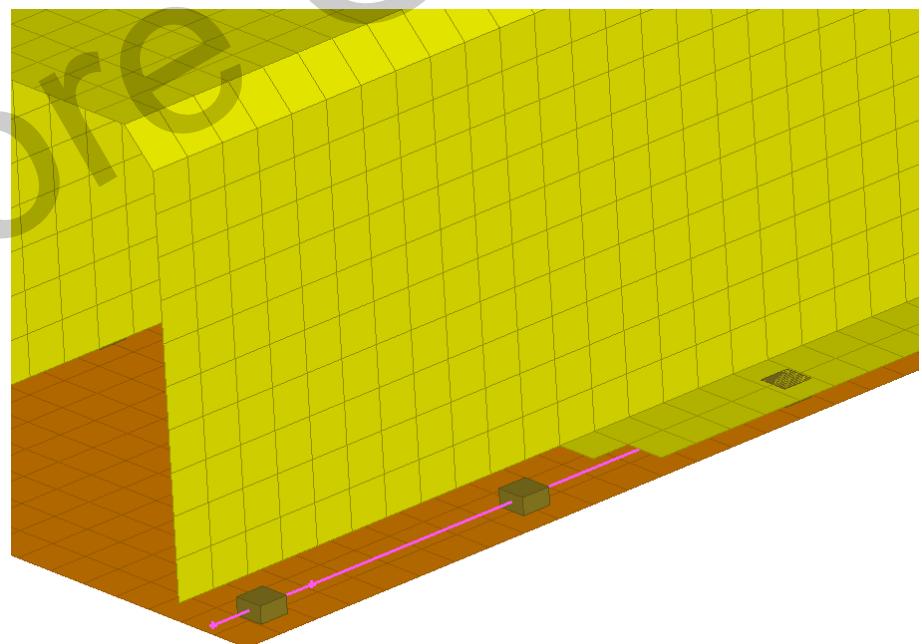
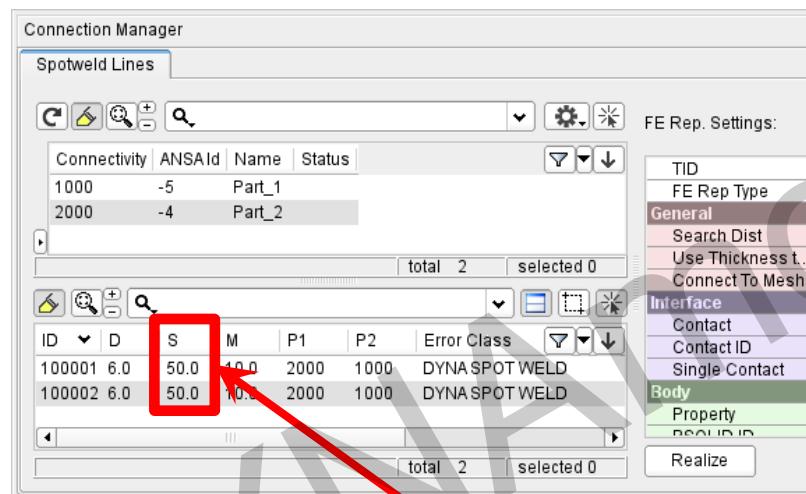
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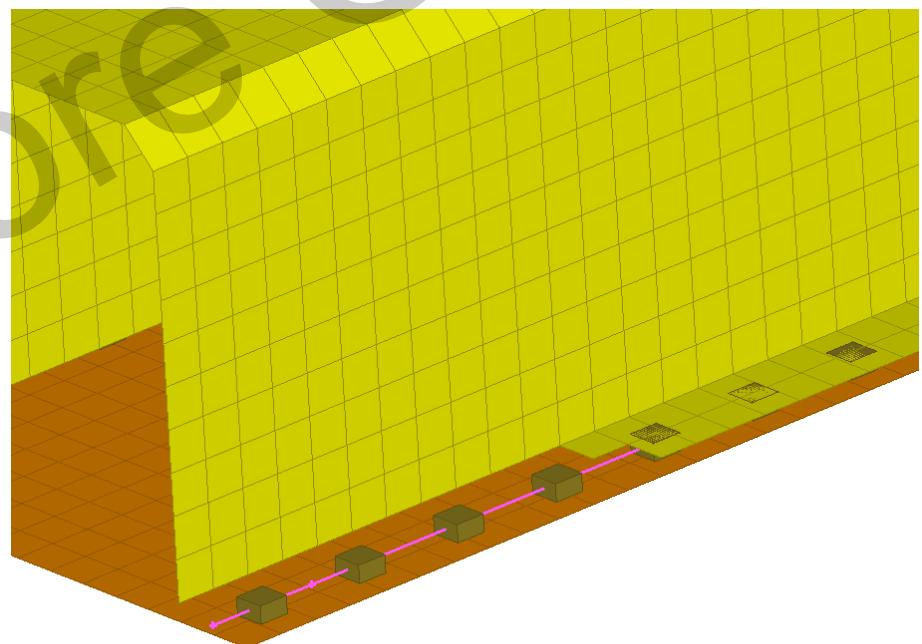
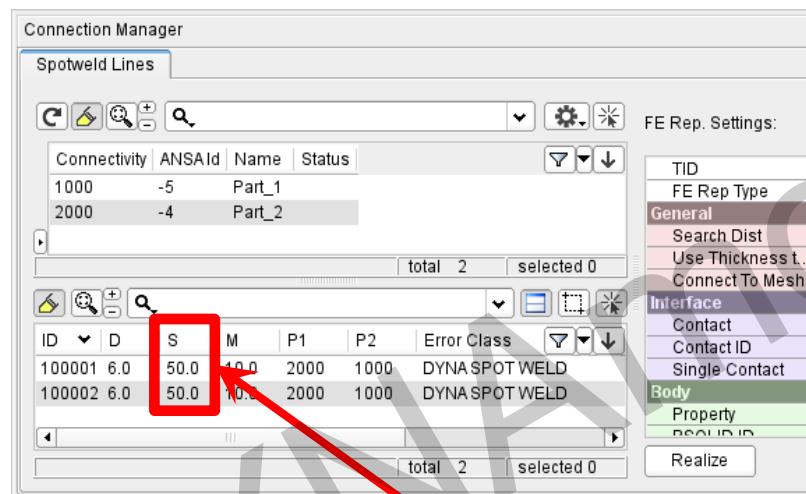
ANSA Parameter

Design Variable (weld spot distance) = 50

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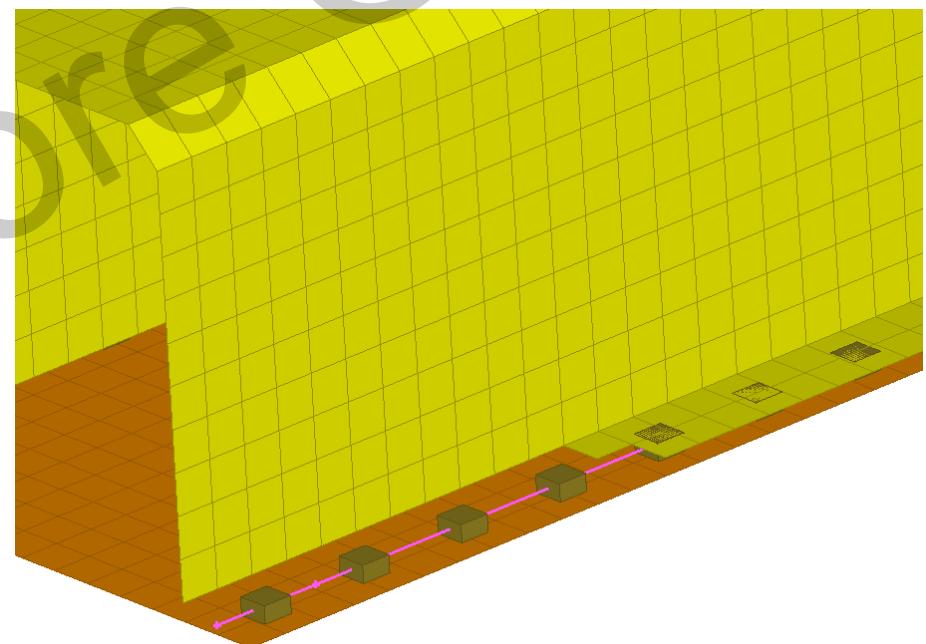
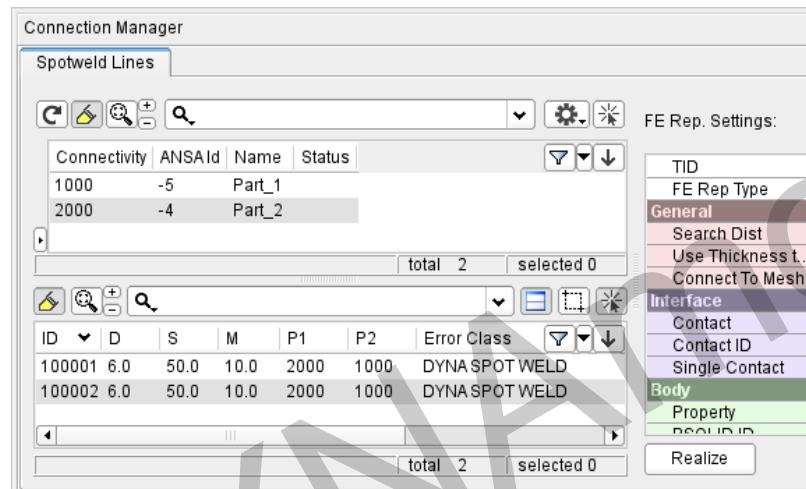


Design Variable (weld spot distance) = 20

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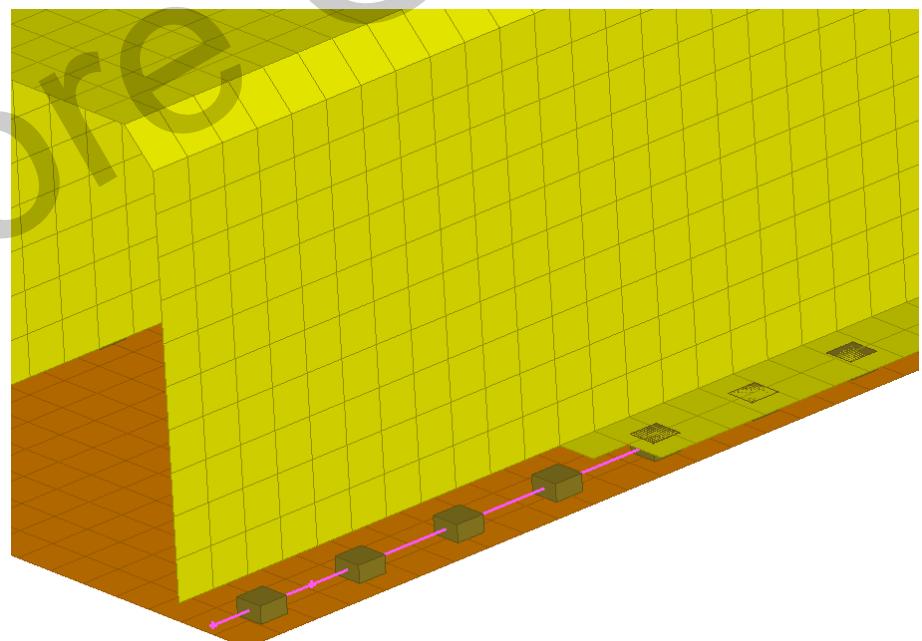
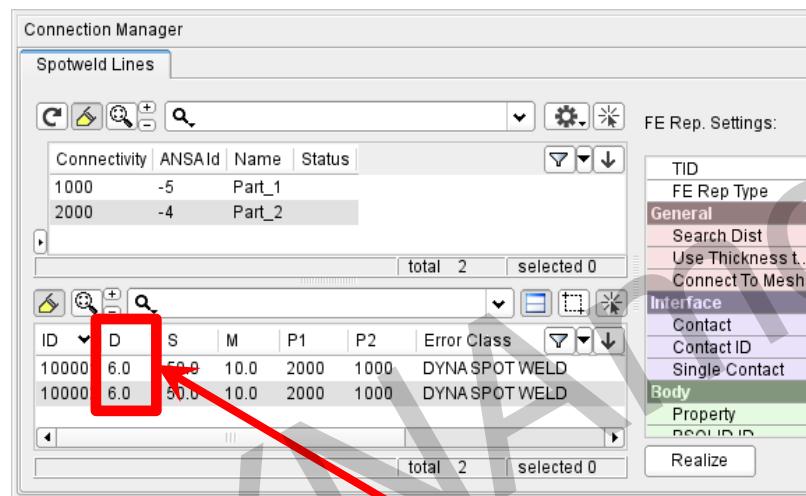
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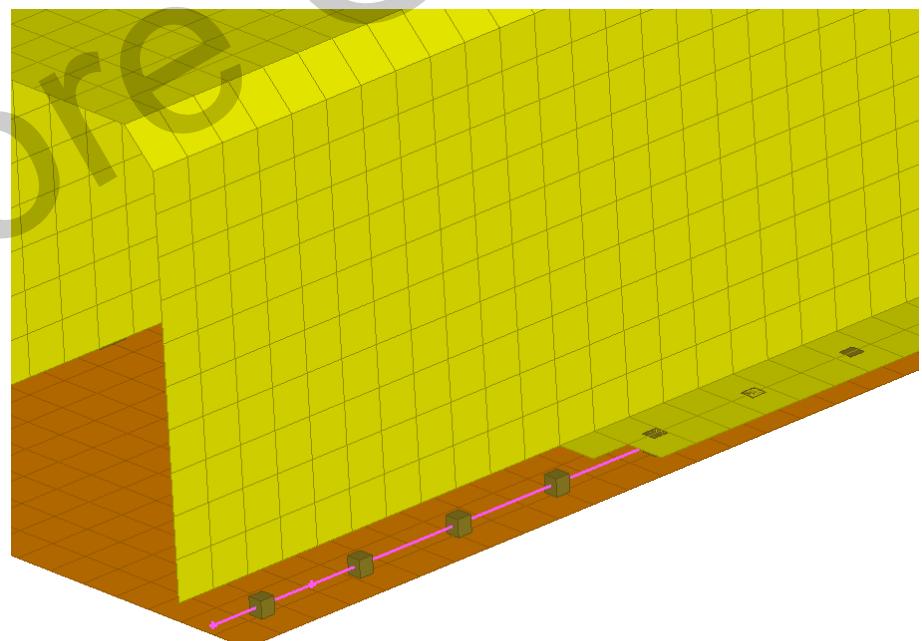
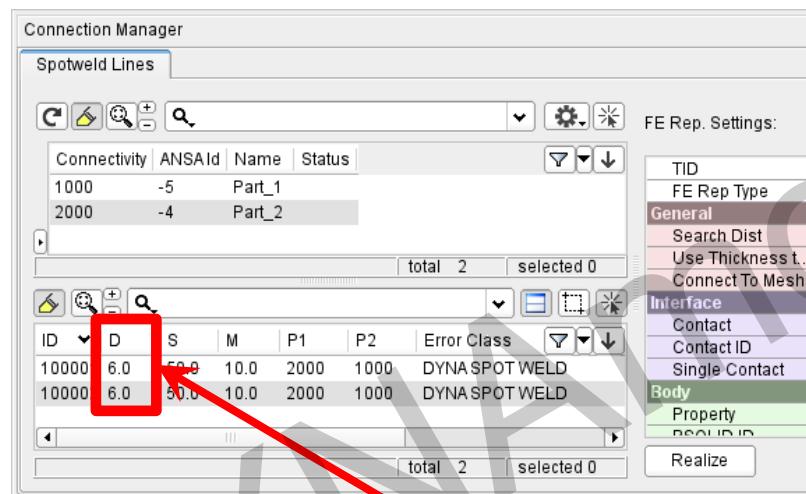
ANSA Parameter

Design Variable (weld spot diameter) = 6.0

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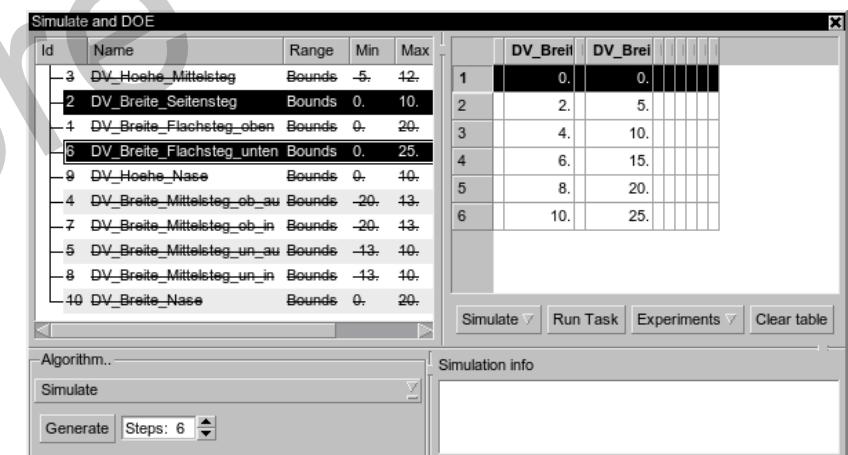
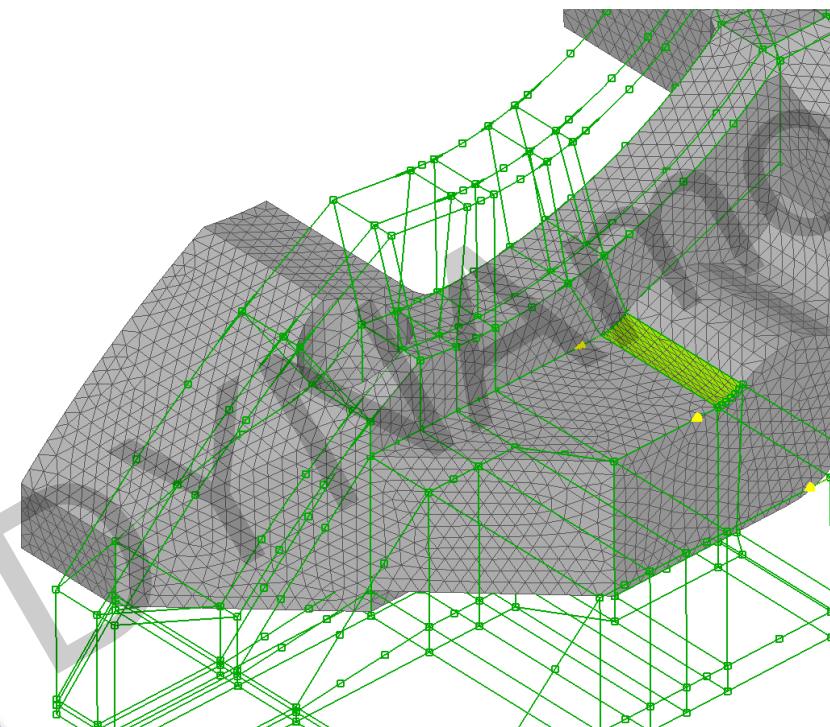
ANSA Parameter

Design Variable (weld spot diameter) = 3.0

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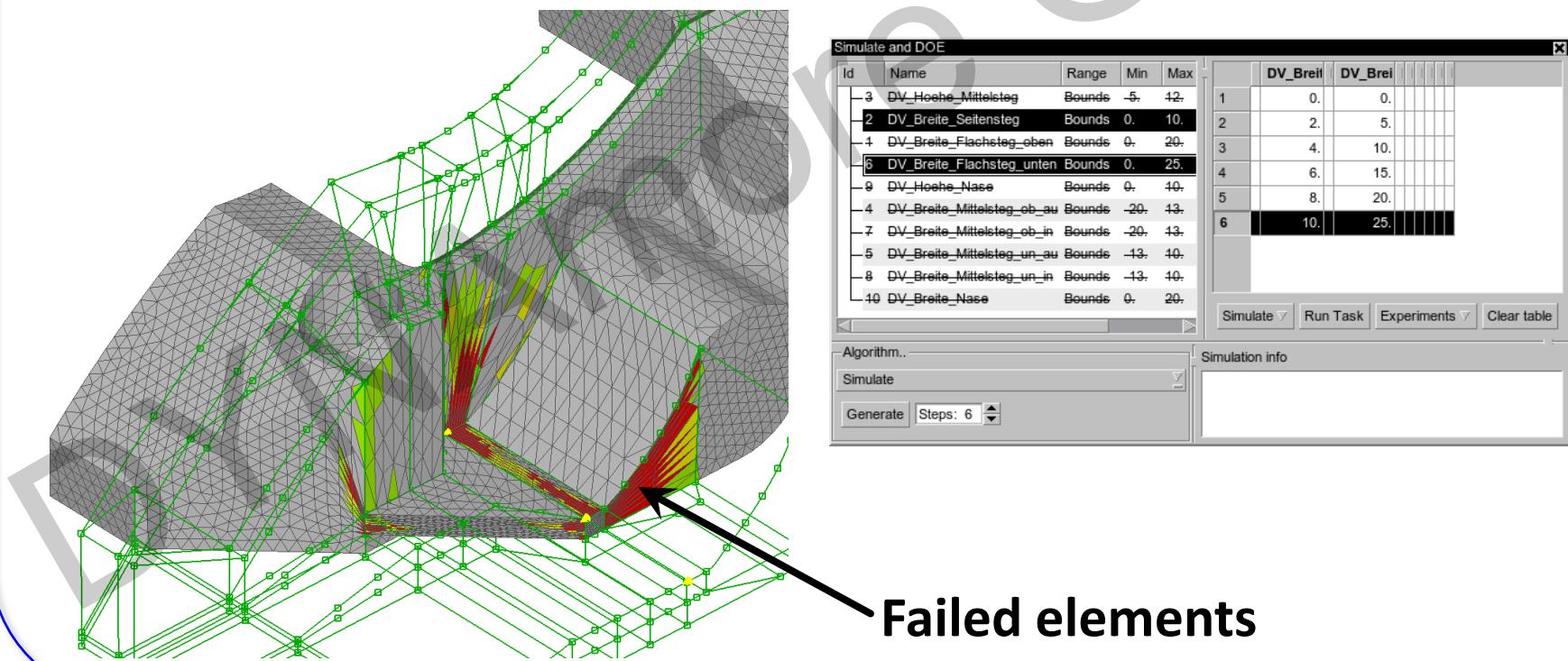
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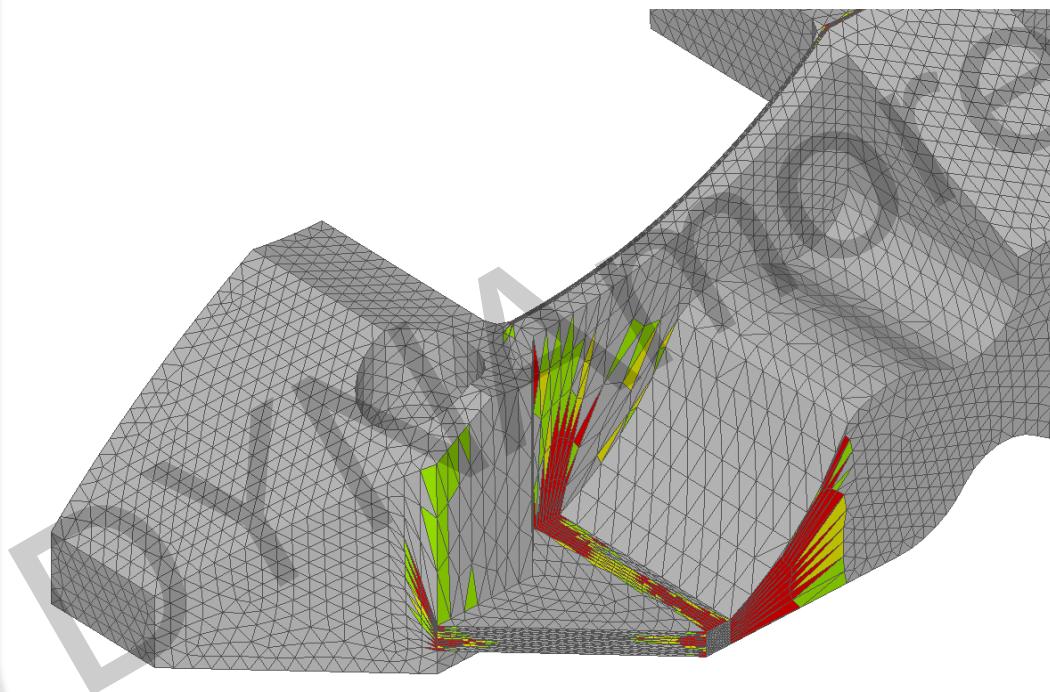
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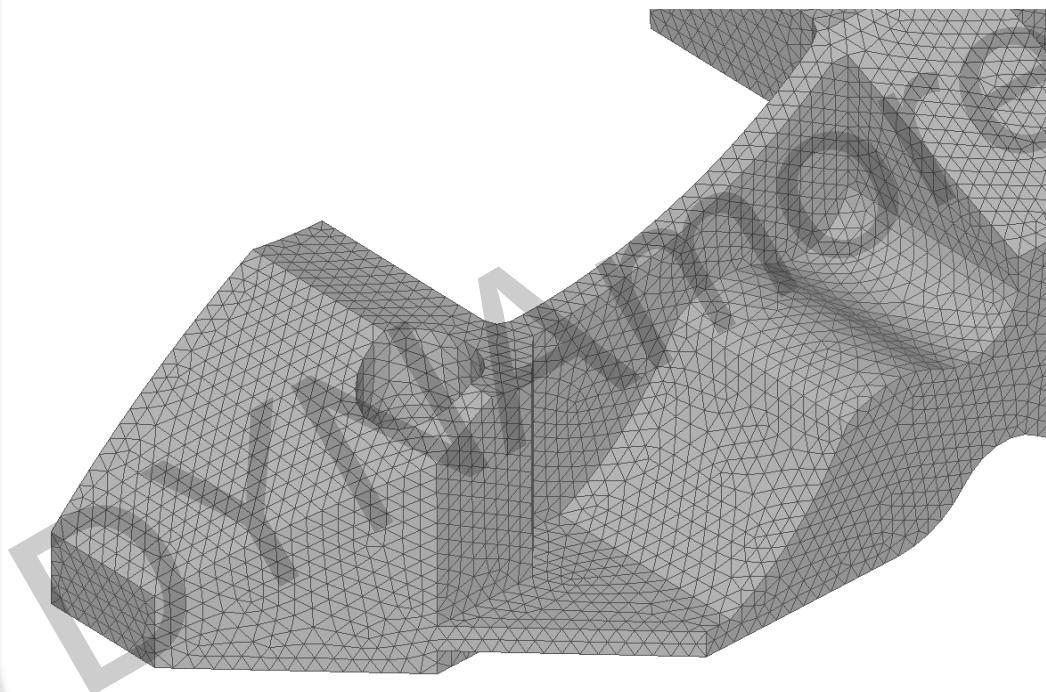
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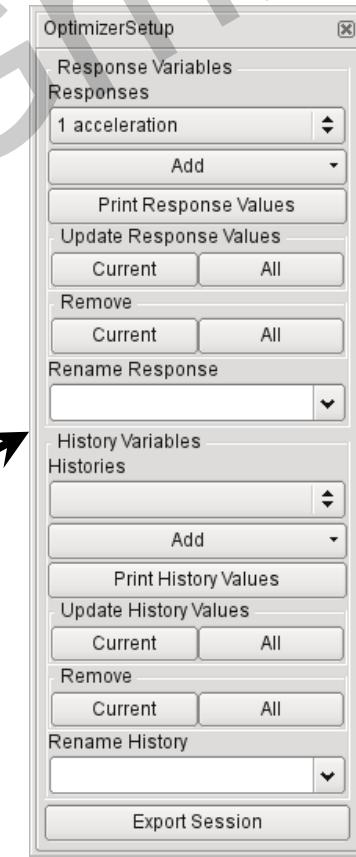
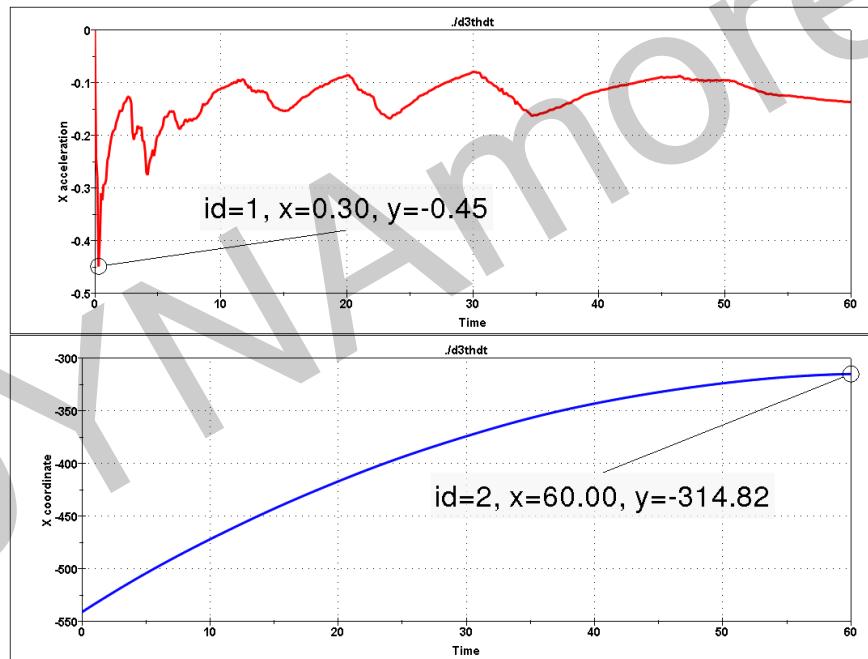
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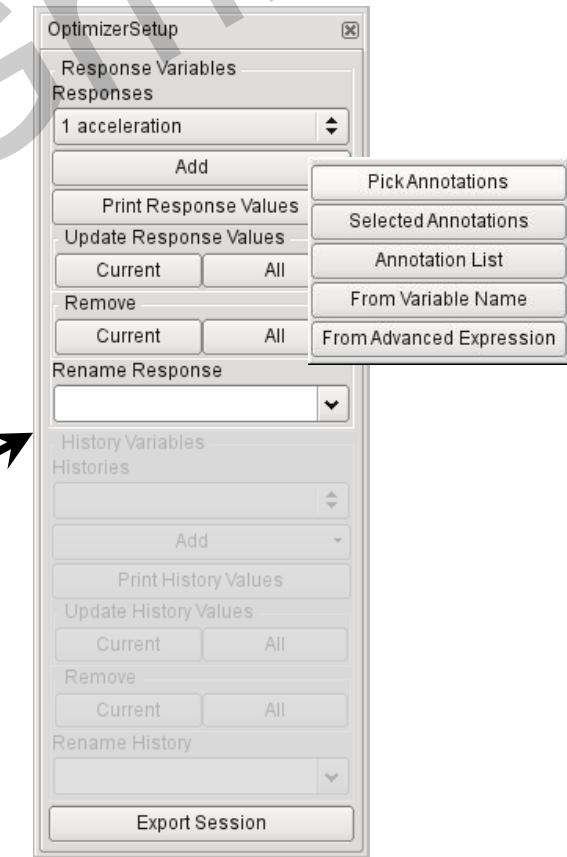
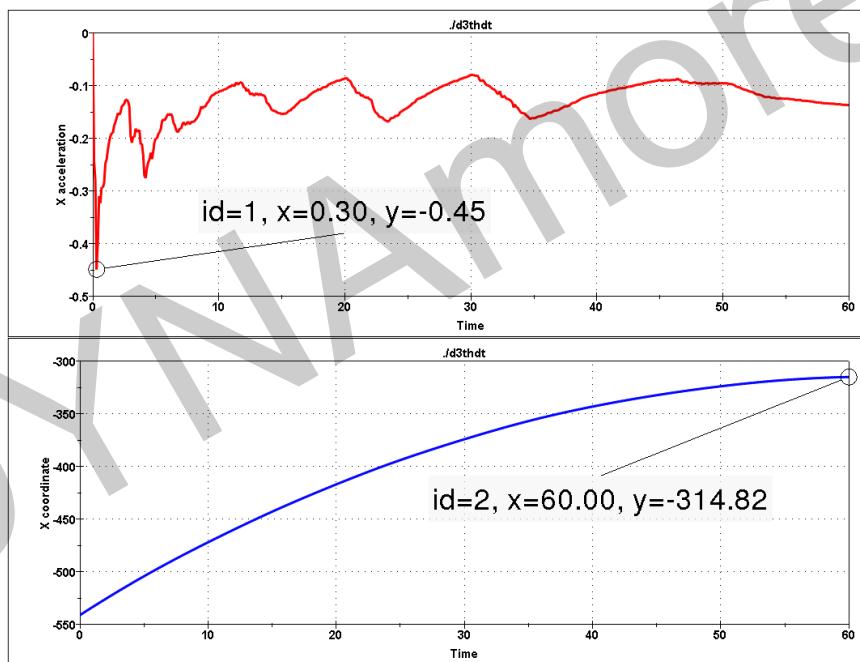


# **μETA** – OptimizerSetup Toolbar



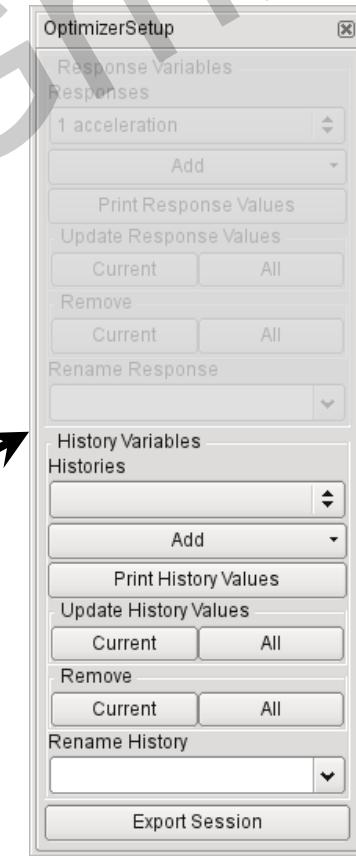
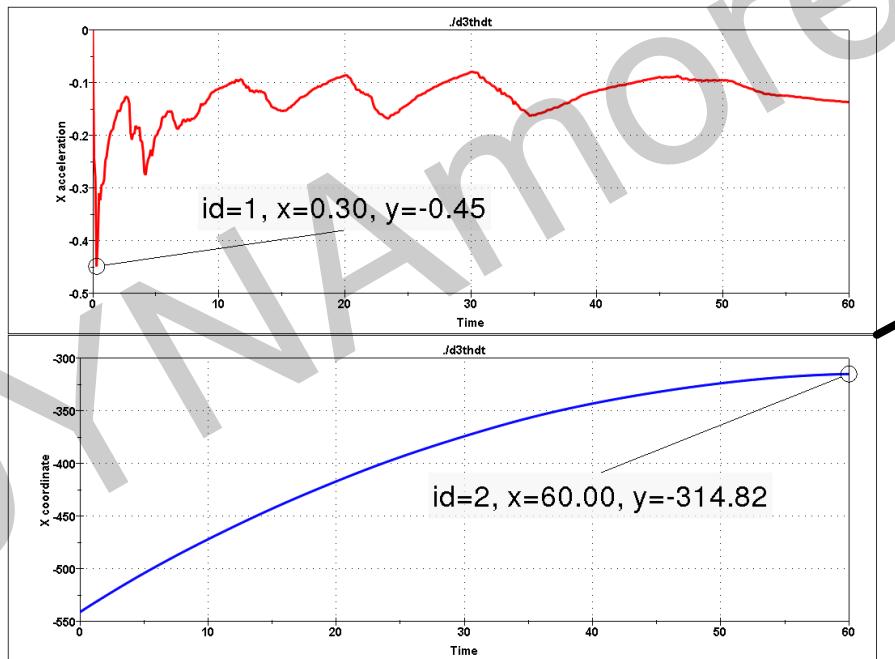
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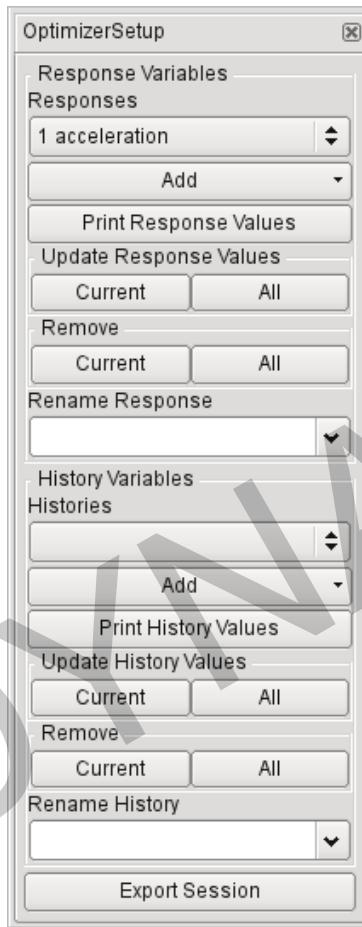


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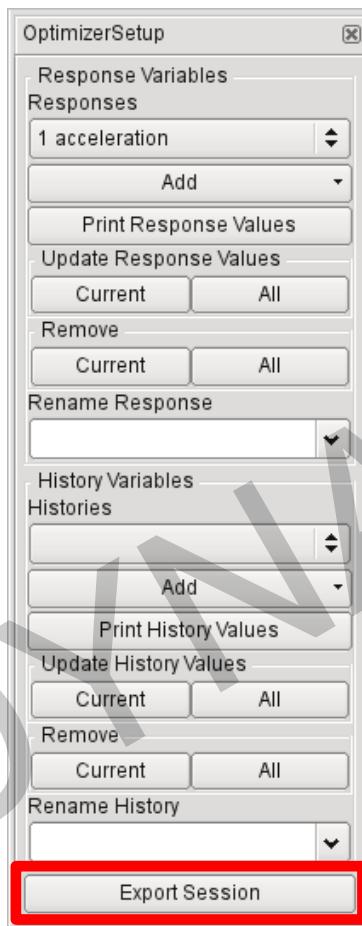
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## Exports:

- Session file (for reproduction of results extraction)
- Output file, containing responses and histories

```
#OptimizerSetup Response & history File created by META post
RESPONSES
1,acceleration,-1.18
2,intrusion,-440.07
END
```

Correctly formatted for import in LS-OPT

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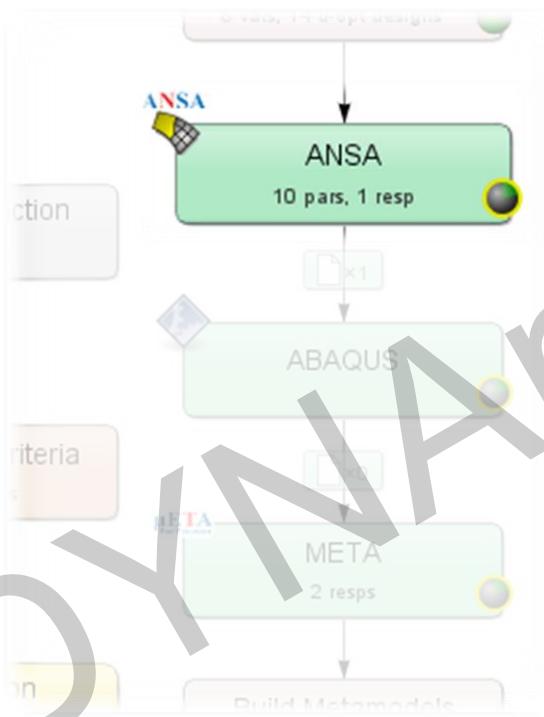


# Connecting **ANSA** to LS-OPT

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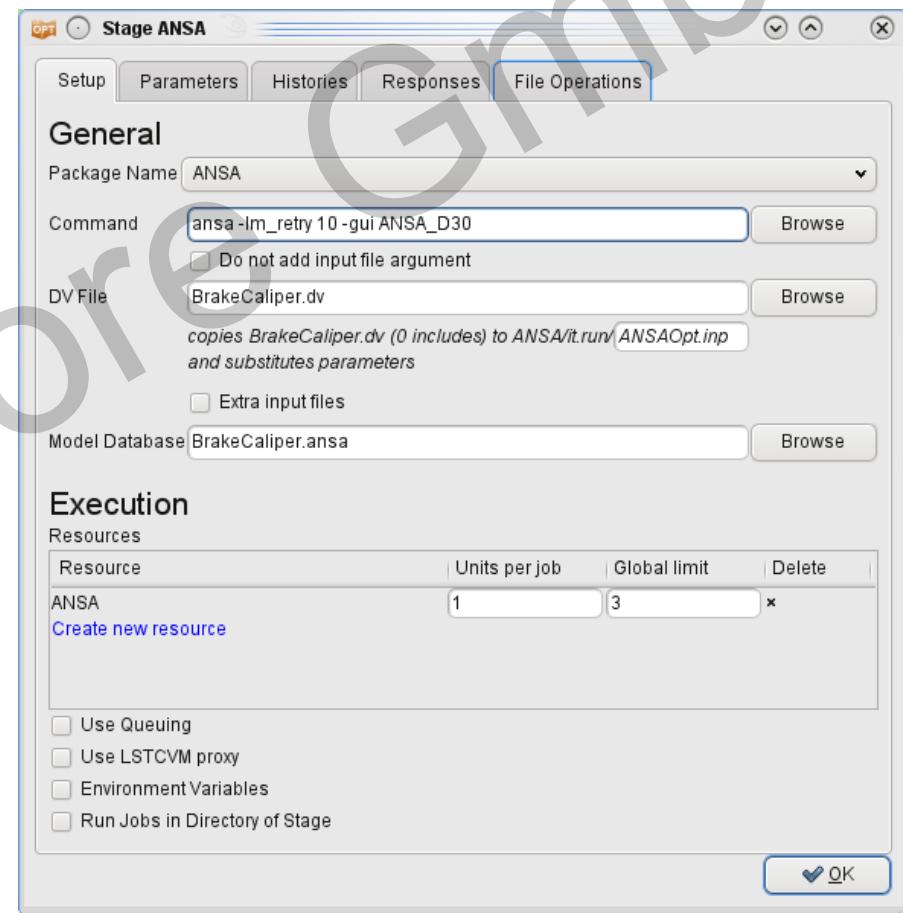
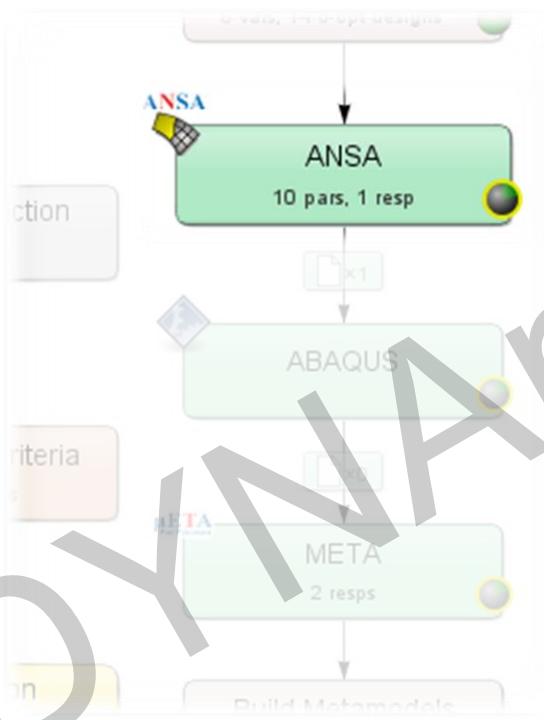
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Stage for **ANSA**



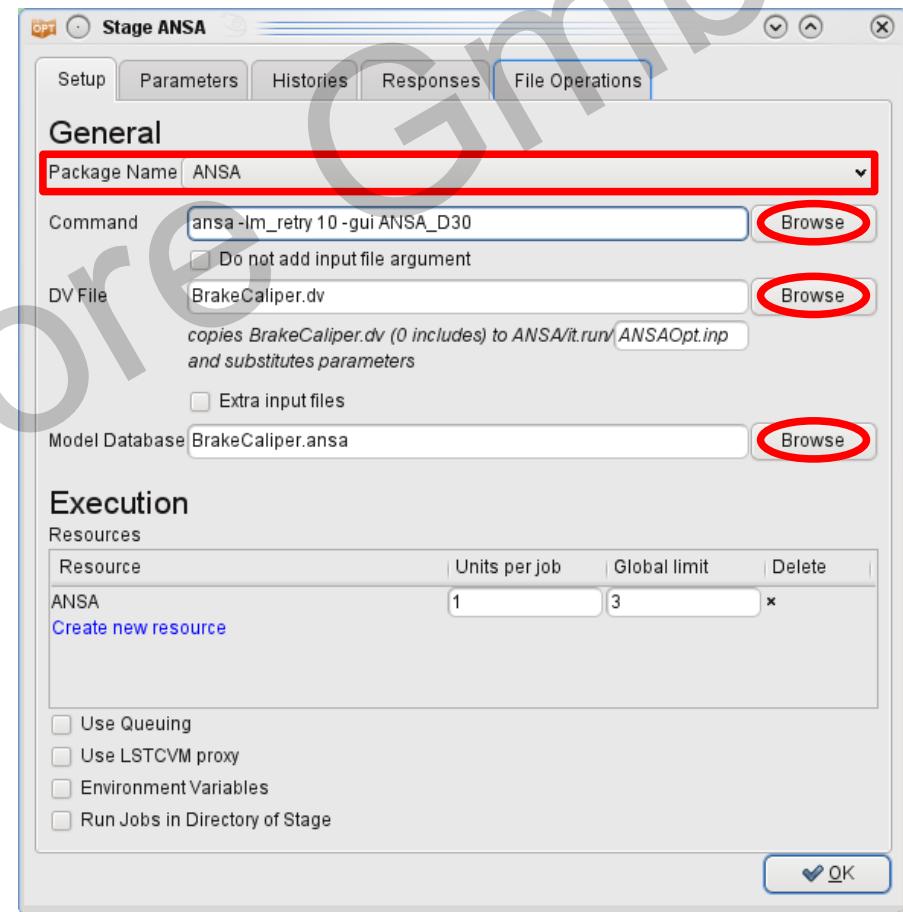
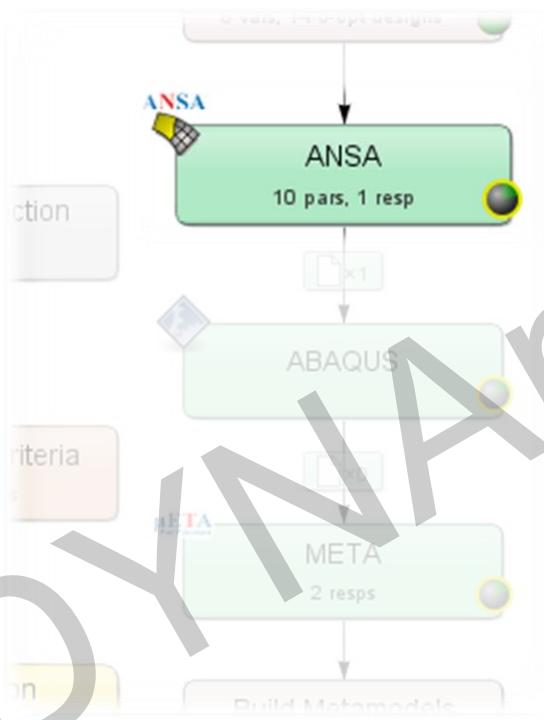
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## Stage for **ANSA**



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## Stage for ANSA



# Connecting **ANSA** to LS-OPT

**ANSA** → DV file → Design Variables in LS-OPT

```
#  
# ANSA_VERSION: 15.0.1  
#  
# file created by A N S A  Fri Feb 14 15:49:00 2014  
#  
# Output from:  
# ansaout.ansa  
#  
# DESIGN VARIABLES  
#-----  
# ID | DESIGN VARIABLE NAME | TYPE | RANGE | CURRENT VA  
#-----  
3, DV_Hoehe_Mittelsteg, REAL, BOUNDS, 0., -5.  
2, DV_Breite_Seitensteg, REAL, BOUNDS, 0., -5.  
1, DV_Breite_Flachsteg_oen, REAL, BOUNDS, 0.  
6, DV_Breite_Flachsteg_unten, REAL, BOUNDS, 0.  
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7, DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_ob_in, REAL, BOUNDS,  
5, DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_un_au, REAL, BOUNDS,  
8, DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_un_in, REAL, BOUNDS,  
10, DV_Breite_Nase, REAL, BOUNDS, 0., 0., 20.  
#
```

The diagram illustrates the workflow for connecting ANSA design variables to LS-OPT. On the left, a box contains the ANSA DV file code. An arrow points from this box to the right, where the LS-OPT Parameter Setup dialog is shown. The dialog has tabs for Parameter Setup, Stage Matrix, Sampling Matrix, Resources, and Features. The Sampling Matrix tab is selected. It includes a checkbox for 'Show advanced options' which is checked. Below this are tables for Type, Name, Starting, Init. Range, Minimum, and Maximum. The table lists 10 continuous design variables corresponding to the entries in the ANSA DV file.

Type	Name	Starting	Init. Range	Minimum	Maximum
Continuous	DV_Breite_Flachsteg_oen	0		0	15
Continuous	DV_Breite_Flachsteg_unten	0		0	25
Continuous	DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_ob_au	0		0	13
Continuous	DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_ob_in	10		-20	13
Continuous	DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_un_au	0		0	10
Continuous	DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_un_in	5		-13	10
Continuous	DV_Breite_Nase	0		0	20
Continuous	DV_Breite_Seitensteg	0		-5	10
Continuous	DV_Hoehe_Mittelsteg	0		-5	12
Continuous	DV_Hoehe_Nase	0		0	10

**Add...**

**OK**

# Connecting **ANSA** to LS-OPT

Fine Tuning of Design Variables, e.g.

Parameter Setup		Stage Matrix		Sampling Matrix		Resources		Features	
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Continuous	DV_Breite_Flachsteg_oen	0	8	0	15				
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Continuous	DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_ob_au	0	6	0	13				
Dependent	DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_ob_in	Definition: DV_Breite_Mittelsteg_ob_au							
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Continuous	DV_Breite_Nase	0	10	0	20				
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# Connecting **ANSA** to LS-OPT

Fine Tuning of Design Variables, e.g.

- Ranges

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# Connecting **ANSA** to LS-OPT

Fine Tuning of Design Variables, e.g.

- Ranges
- Dependencies
- etc.

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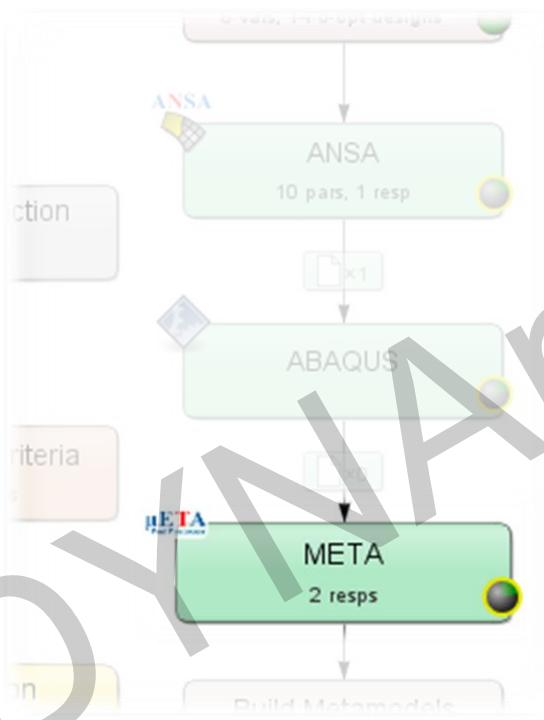


# Connecting **μETA** to LS-OPT

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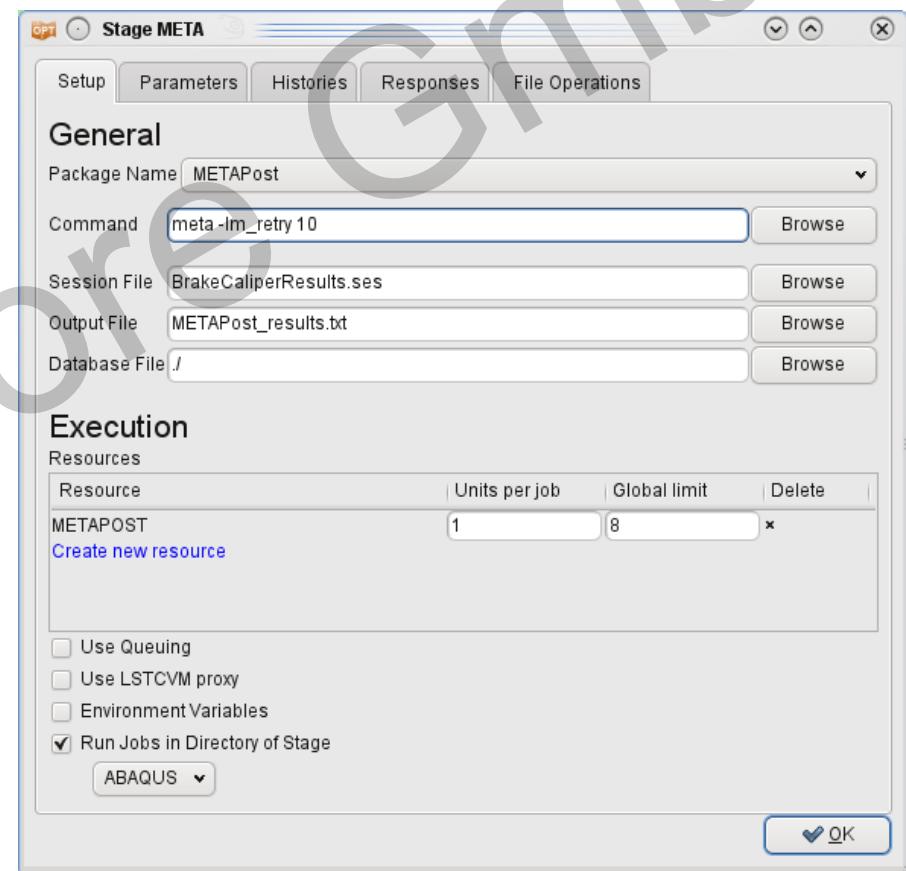
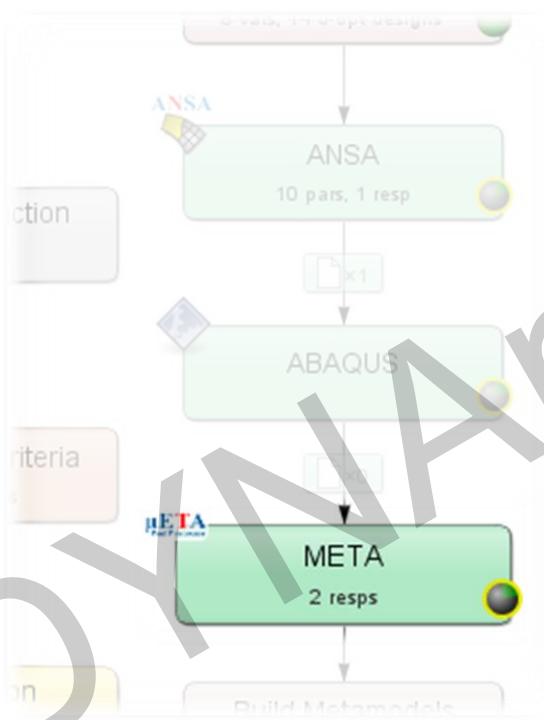
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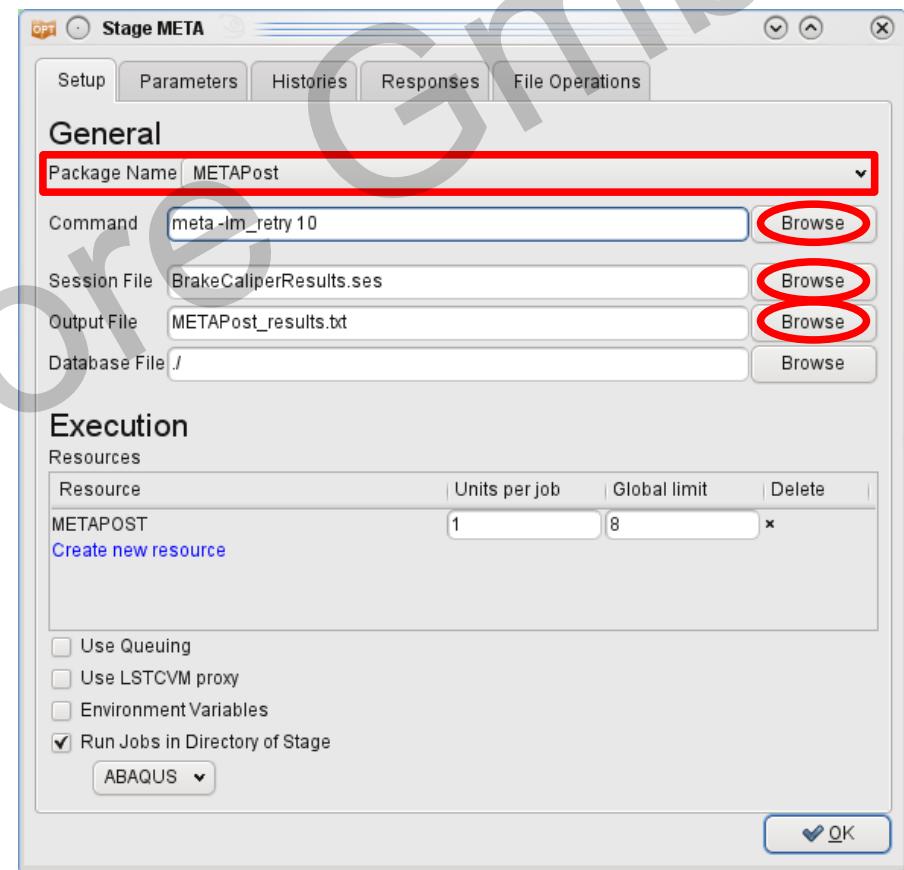
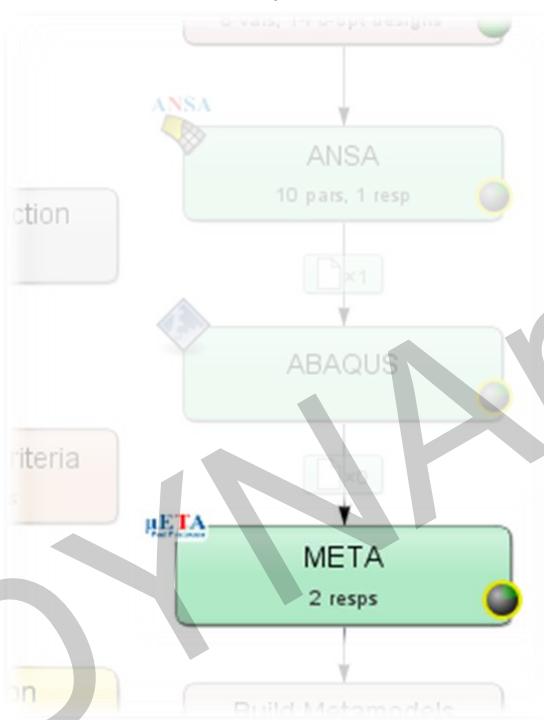
# Connecting **μETA** to LS-OPT

## Stage for **μETA**



# Connecting **μETA** to LS-OPT

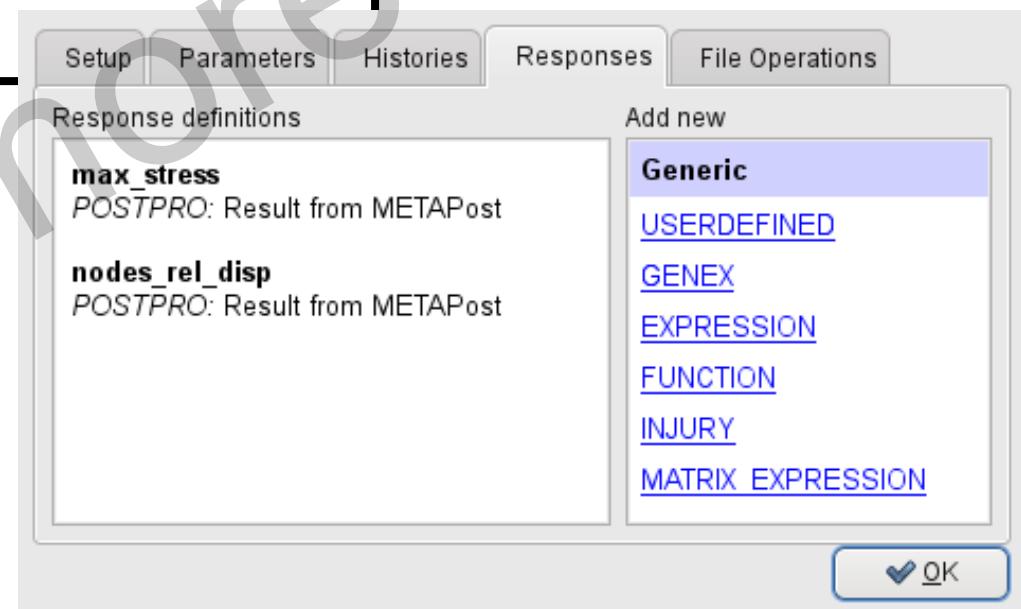
## Stage for **μETA**



# Connecting **μETA** to LS-OPT

**μETA** → Output file → Responses and Histories in LS-OPT

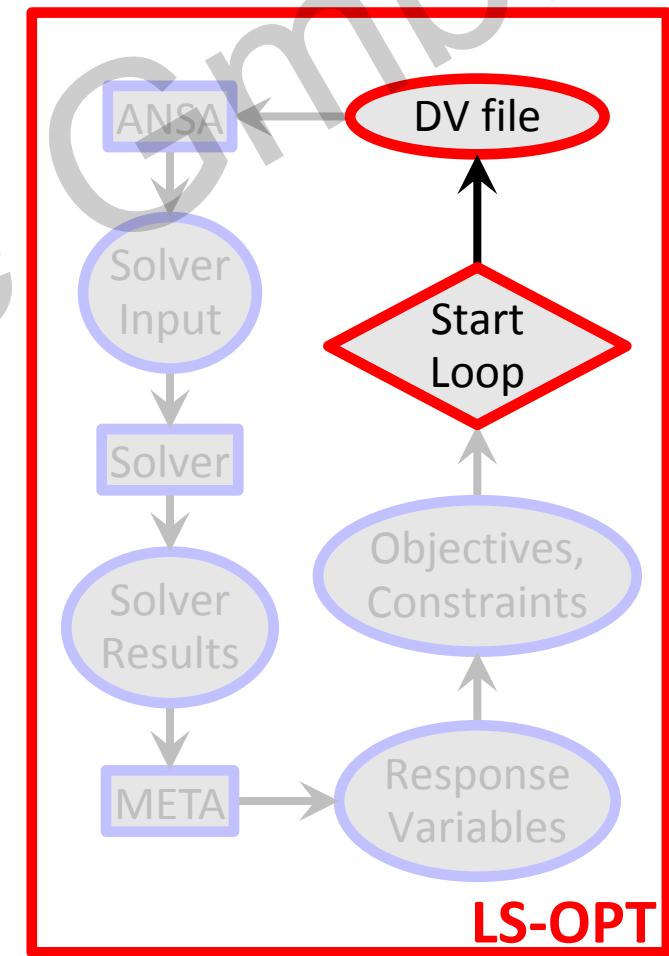
```
#OptimizerSetup Response & history File created by META post
RESPONSES
 1,nodes_rel_disp,0.174171448
 2,max_stress,169.780731
END
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# Optimization Run

**LS-OPT** → ANSA → Solver → META → LS-OPT

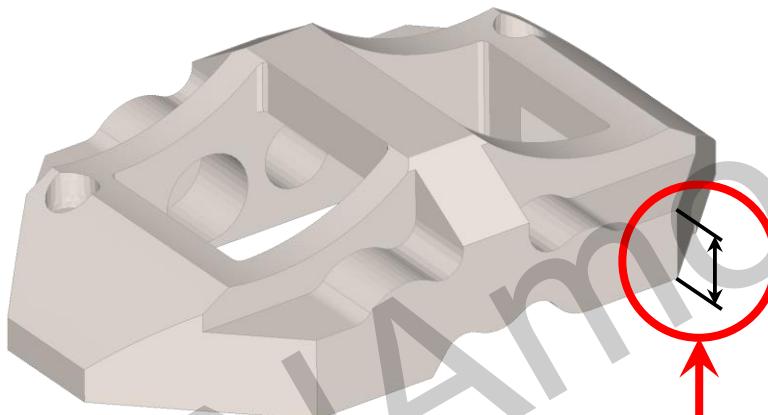
LS-OPT determines set of DV and outputs DV file



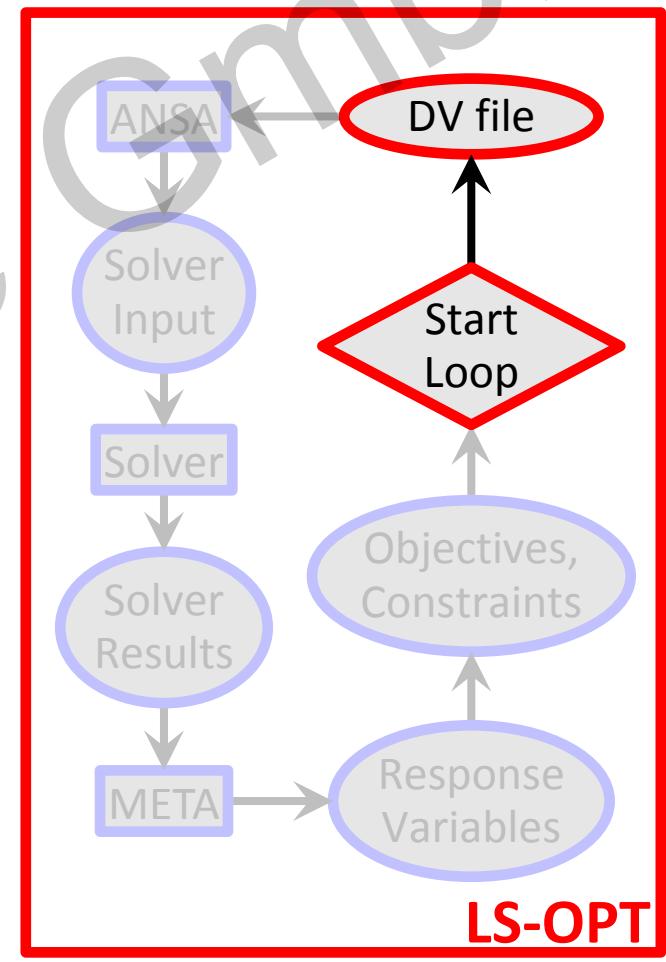
# Optimization Run

**LS-OPT** → ANSA → Solver → META → LS-OPT

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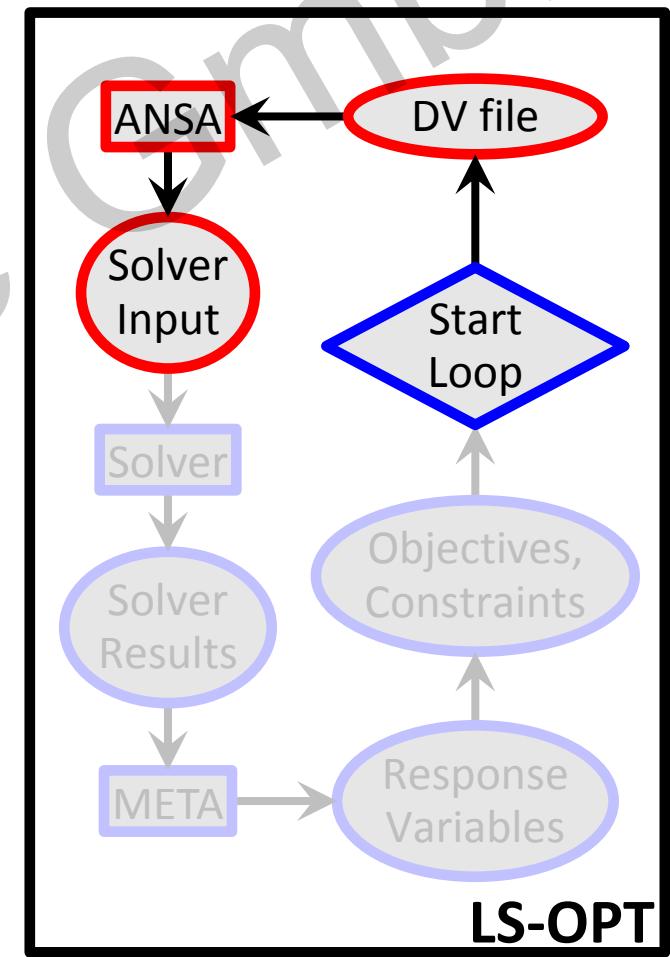
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#						
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2,	DV_Breite_Seitensteg,	REAL,	BOUNDS,	0., -5., 10.		
1,	DV_Breite_Flachsteg_oen,	REAL,	BOUNDS,	0., 0., 20.		
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# Optimization Run

LS-OPT → **ANSA** → Solver → META → LS-OPT

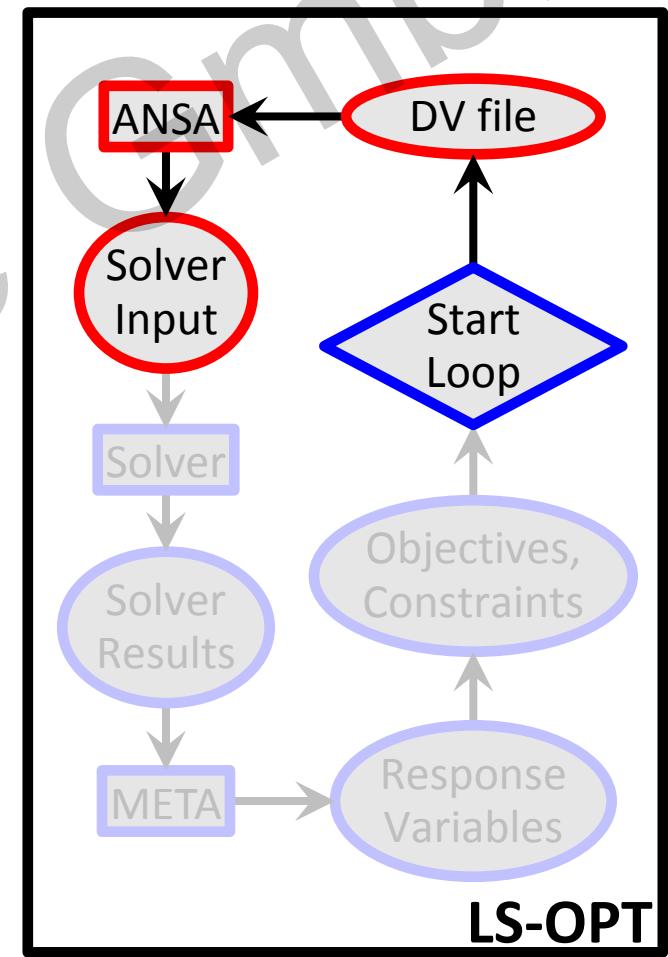
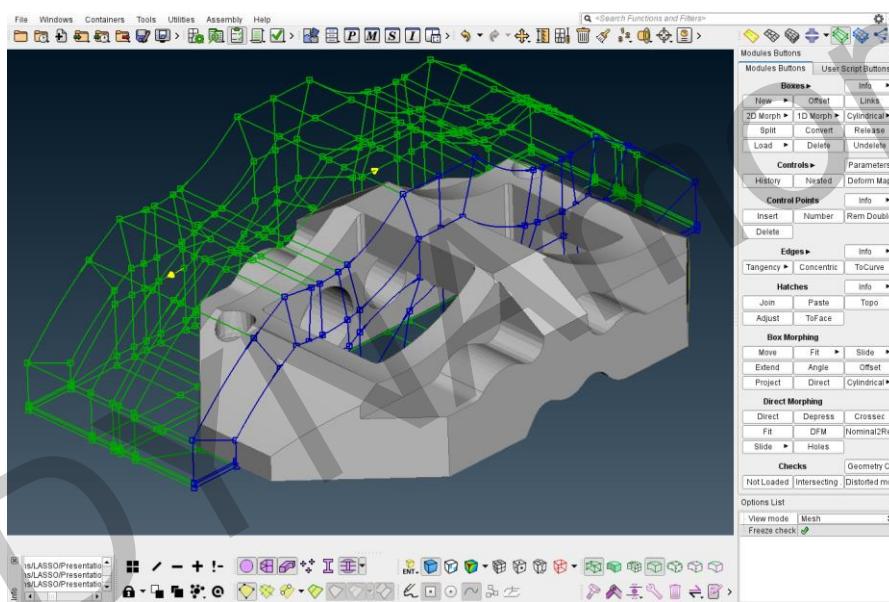
- ANSA reads DV from DV file,



# Optimization Run

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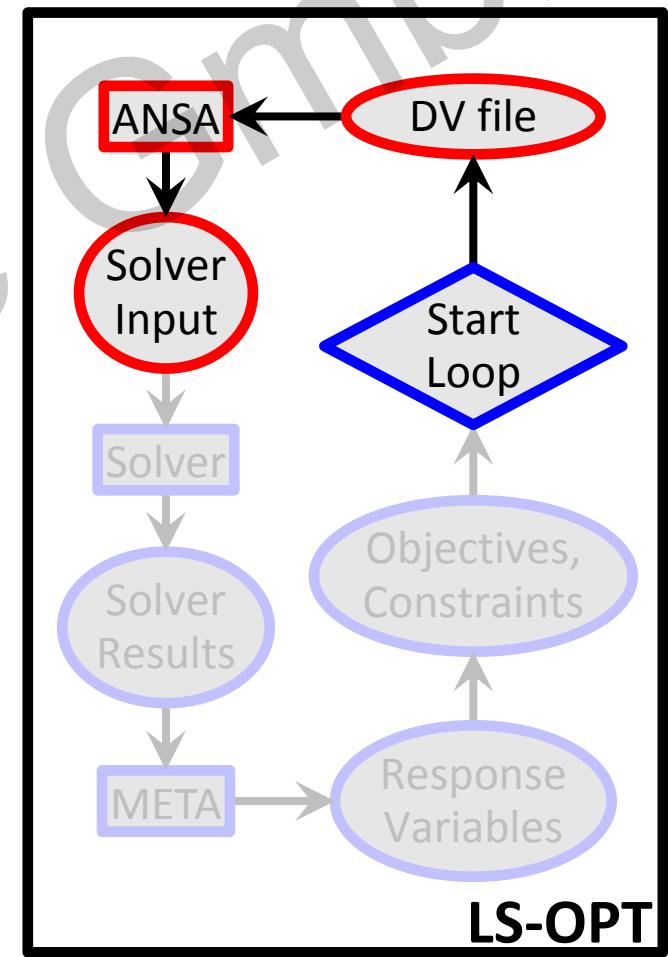
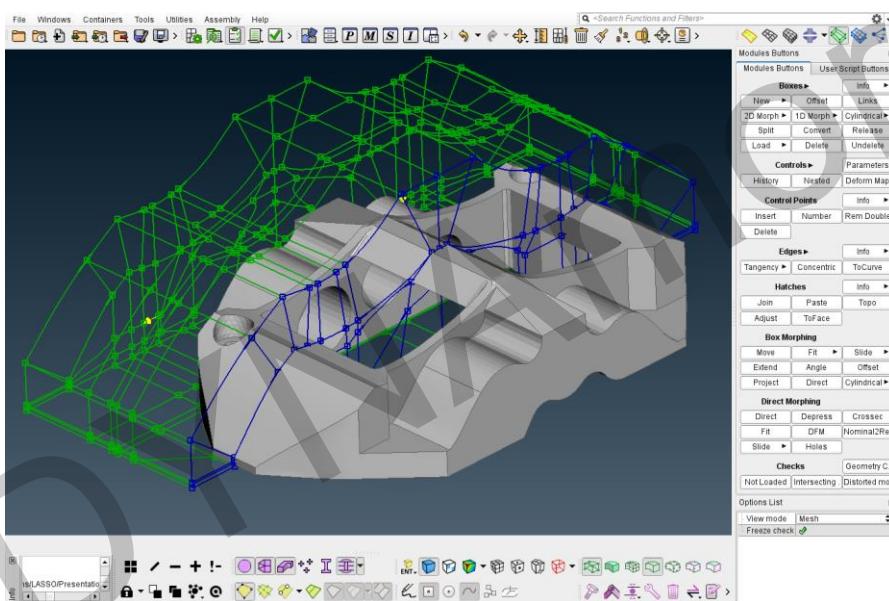
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# Optimization Run

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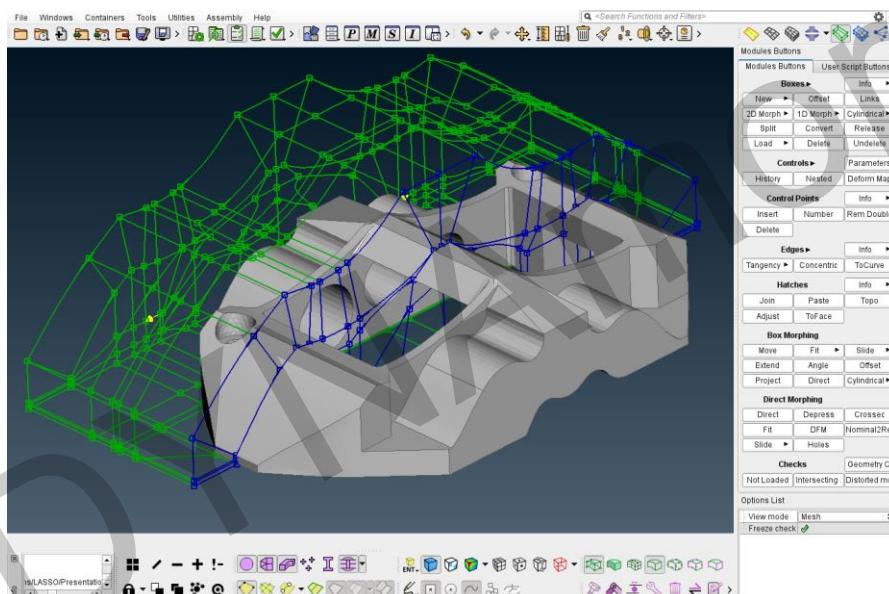
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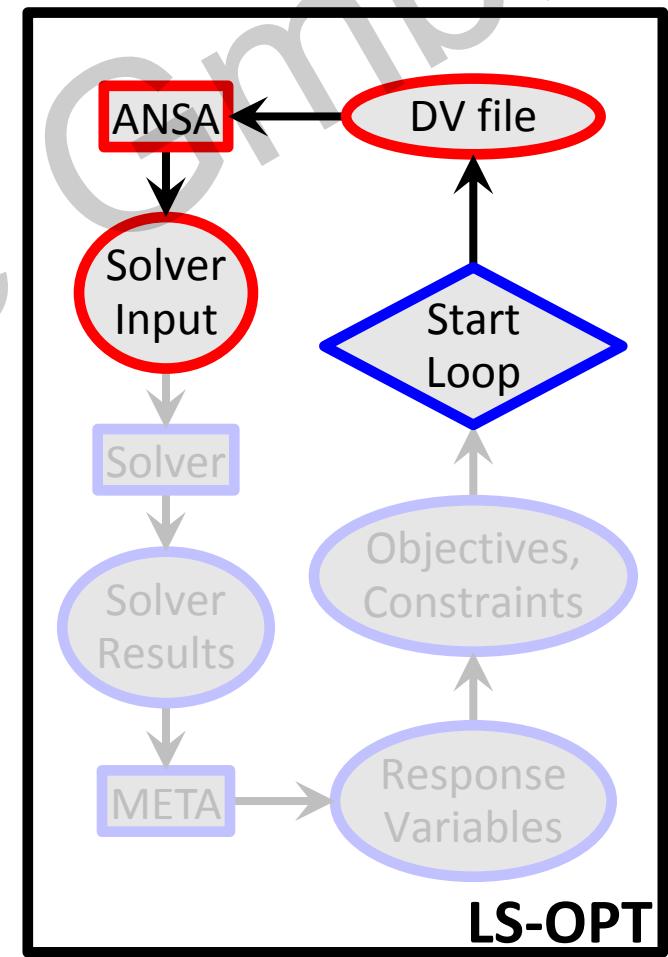
# Optimization Run

LS-OPT → **ANSA** → Solver → META → LS-OPT

- ANSA reads DV from DV file,
- executes Optimization Task sequence
- and outputs solver input deck



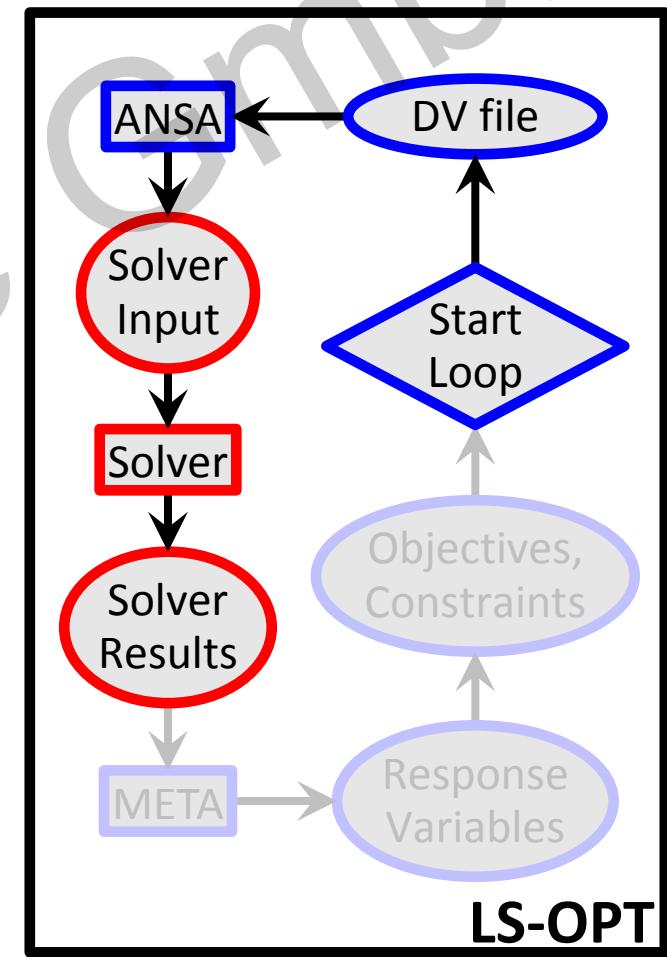
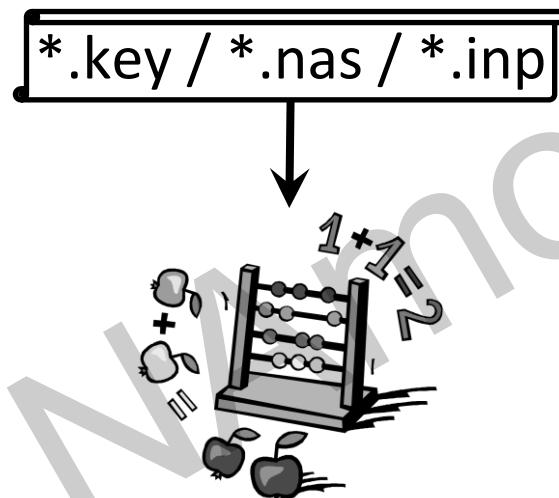
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# Optimization Run

LS-OPT → ANSA → **Solver** → META → LS-OPT

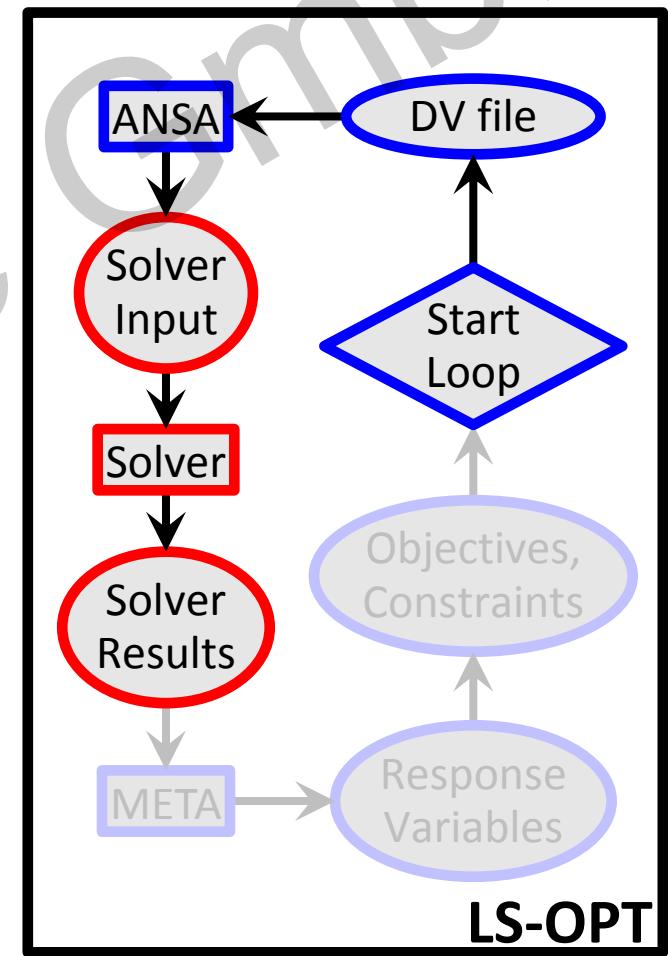
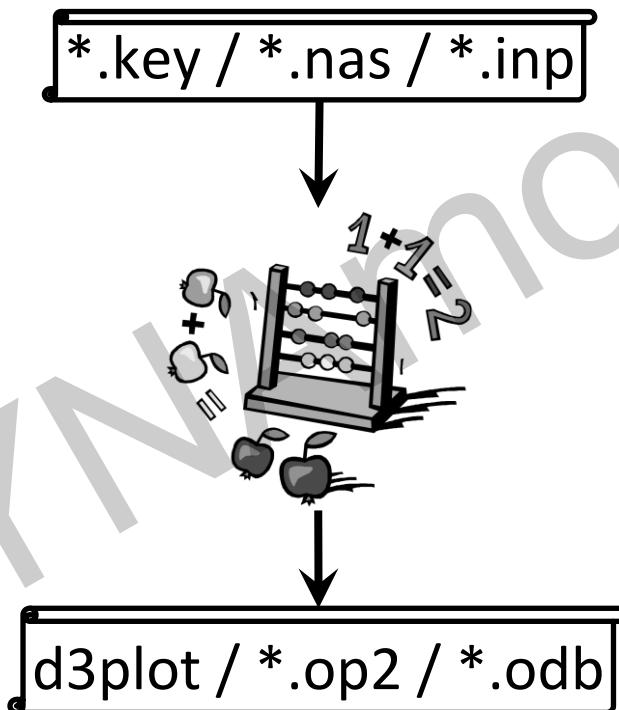
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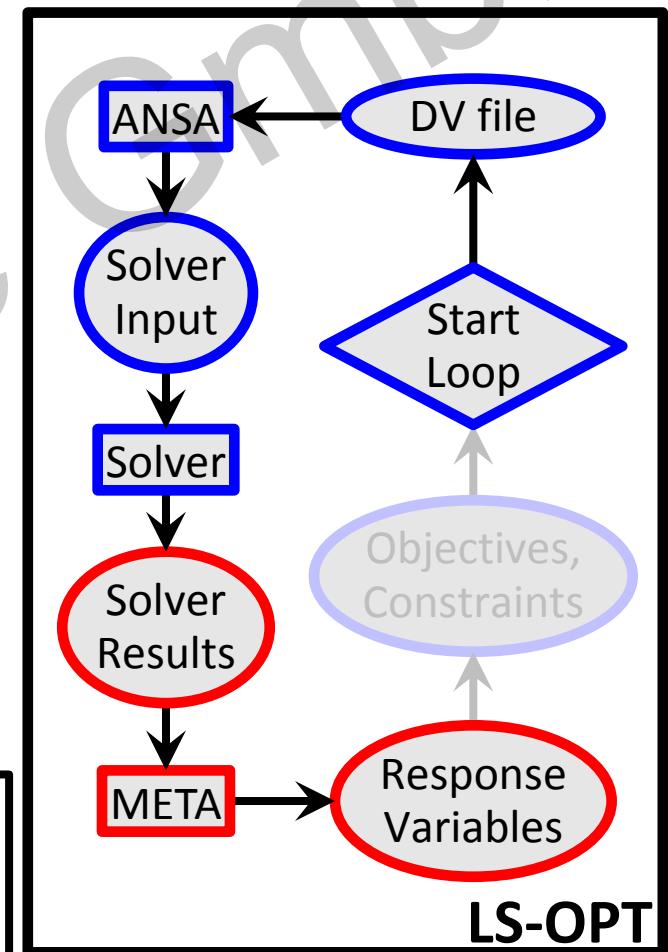
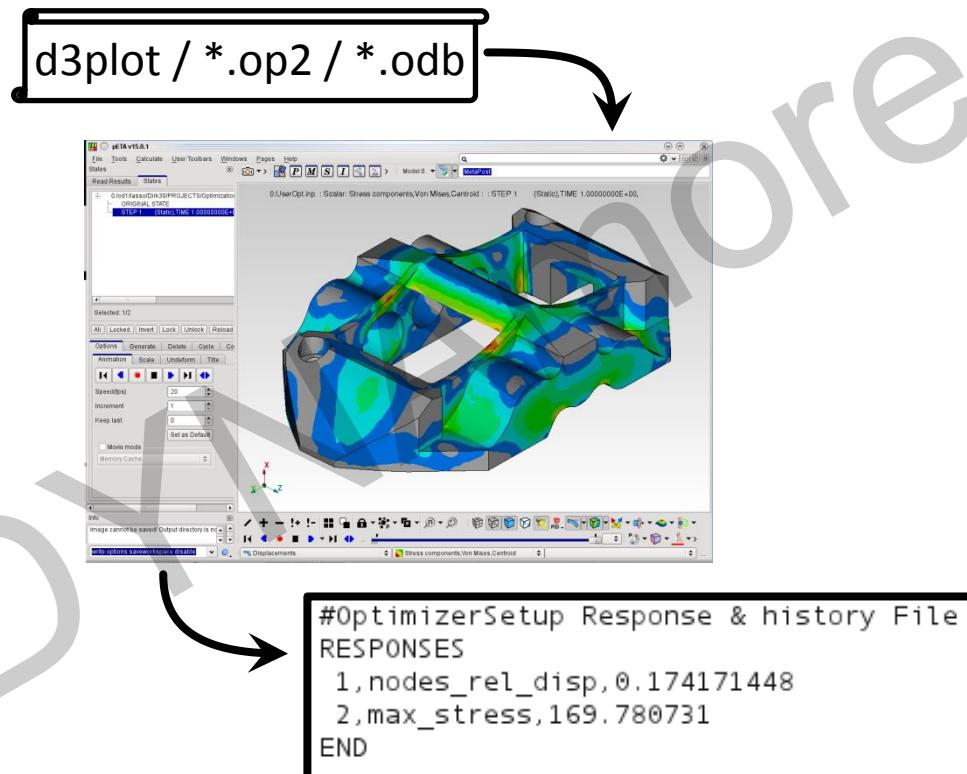
- LS-OPT invokes solver runs
- Solver produces result files



# Optimization Run

LS-OPT → ANSA → Solver → **META** → LS-OPT

META extracts responses from solver result files

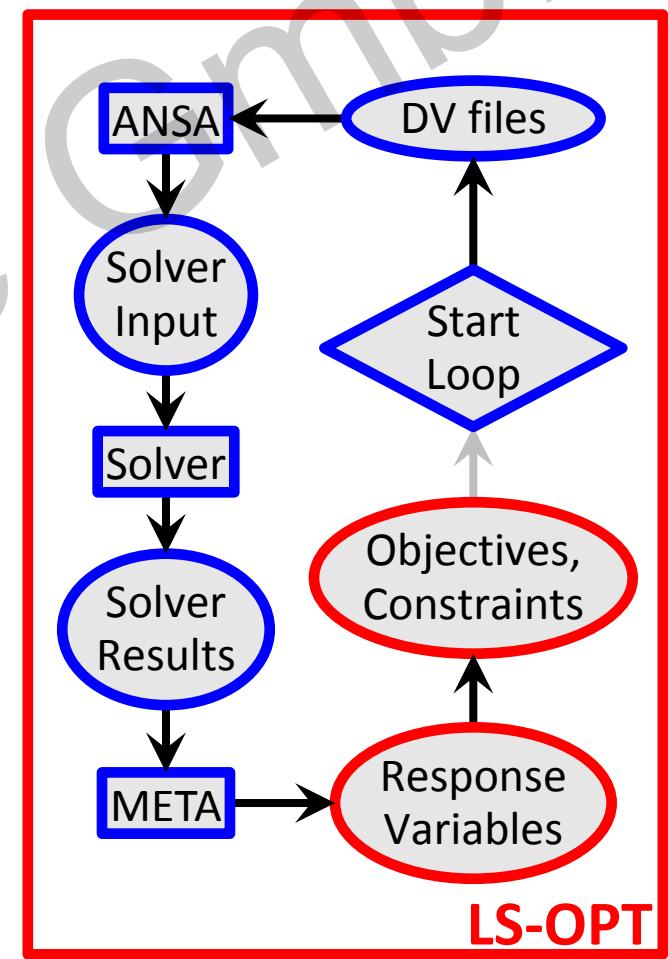
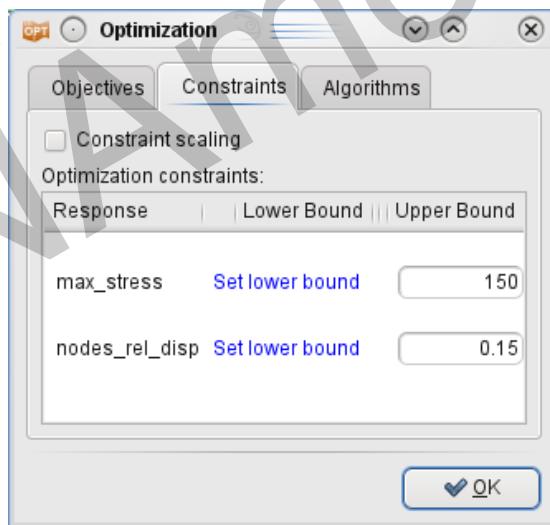


# Optimization Run

LS-OPT → ANSA → Solver → META → LS-OPT

LS-OPT reads responses and evaluates objectives/constraints

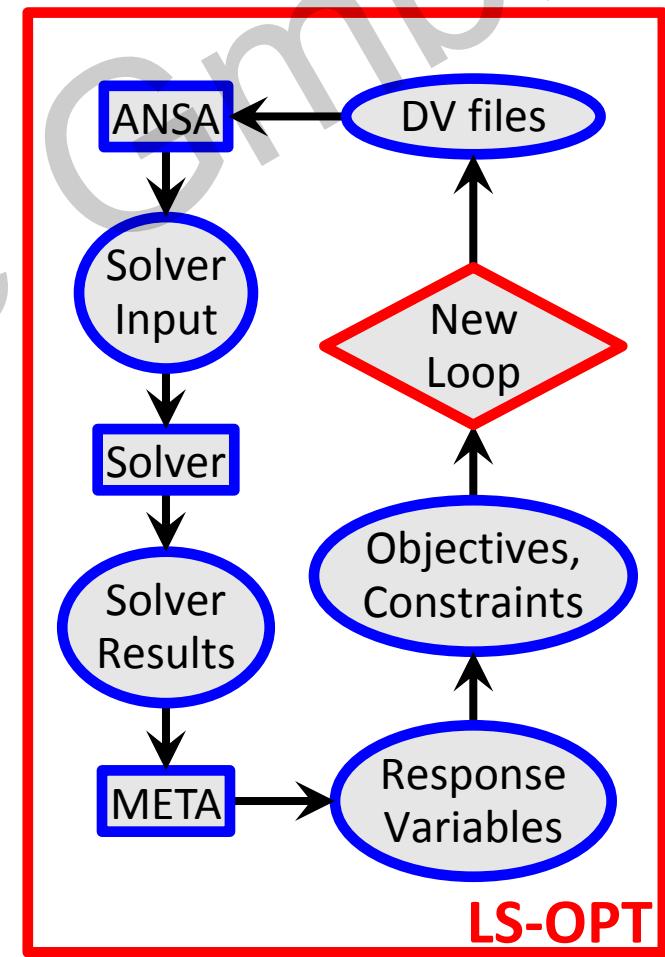
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**LS-OPT** → ANSA → Solver → META → **LS-OPT**

- LS-OPT calculates new values for DVs

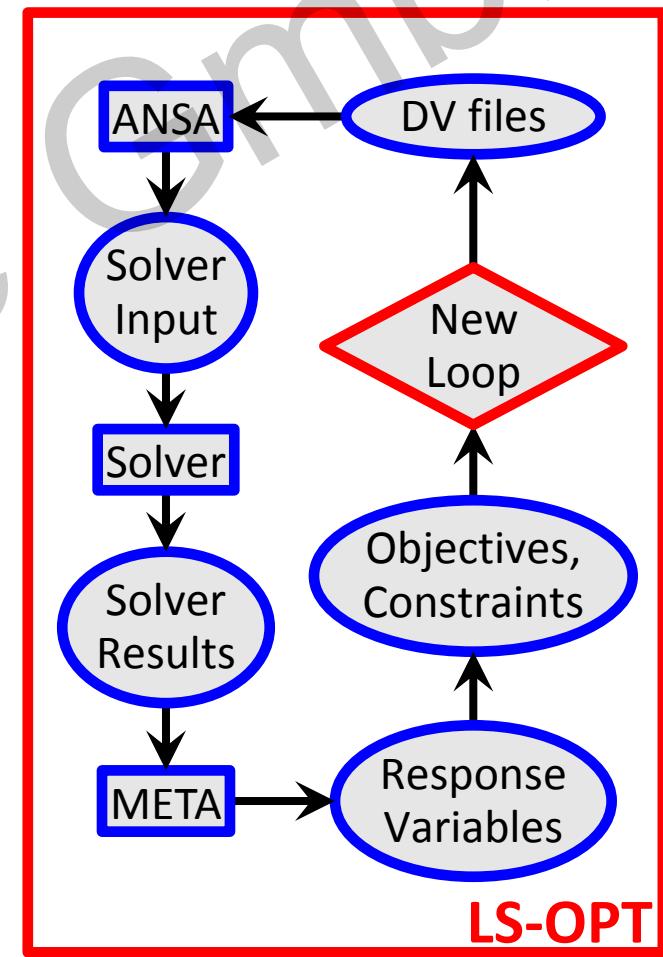
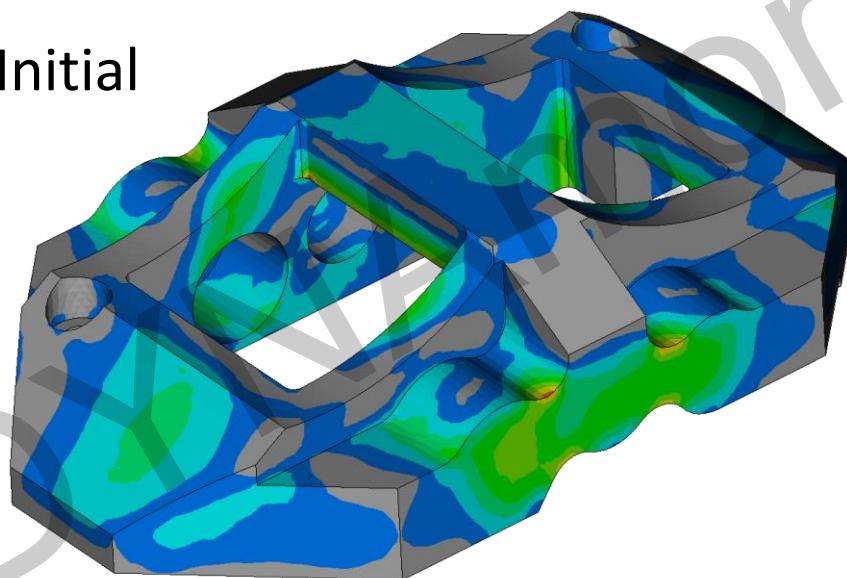


# Optimization Run

**LS-OPT** → ANSA → Solver → META → **LS-OPT**

- LS-OPT calculates new values for DVs
- Whole process repeated until optimal solution

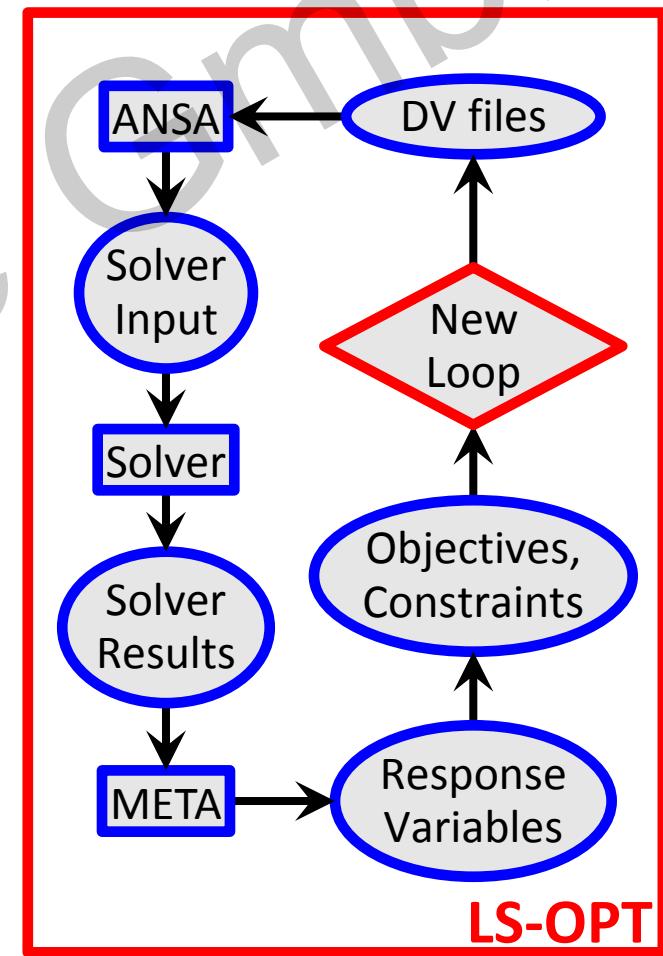
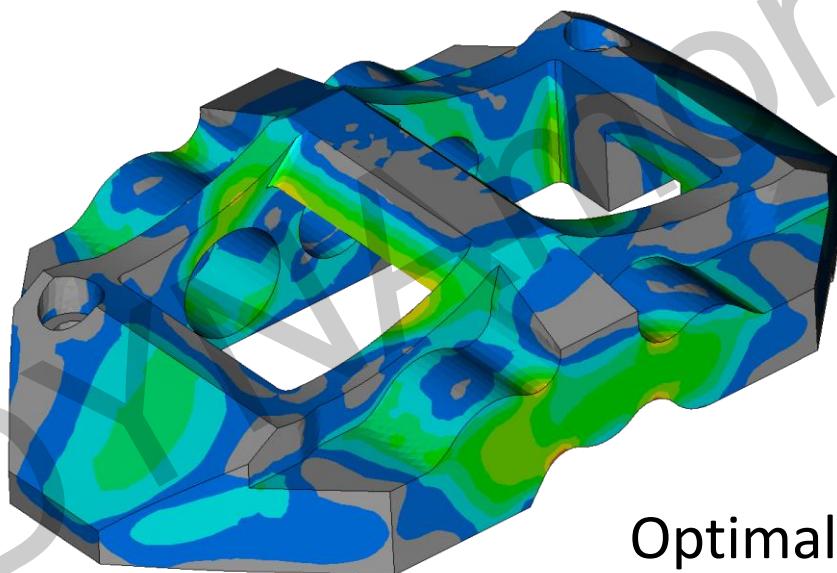
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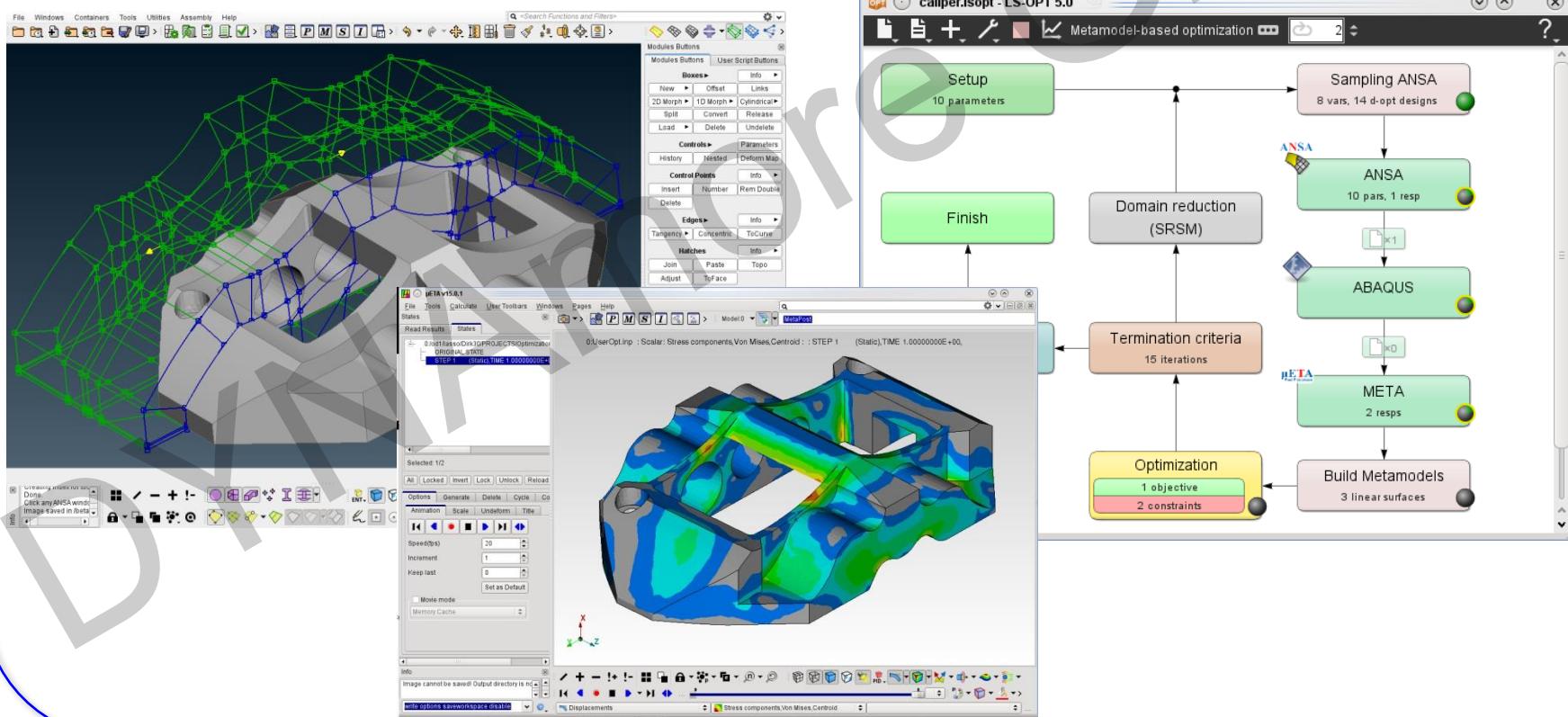
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