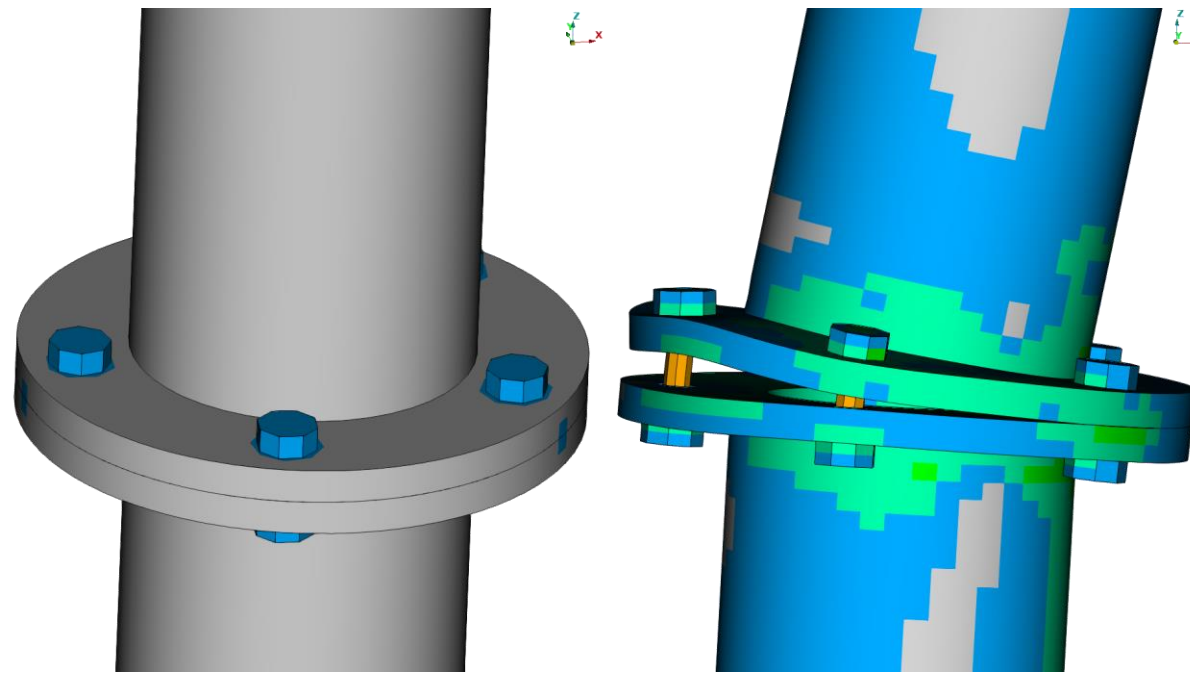


Pre-tensioning techniques in LS-DYNA implicit

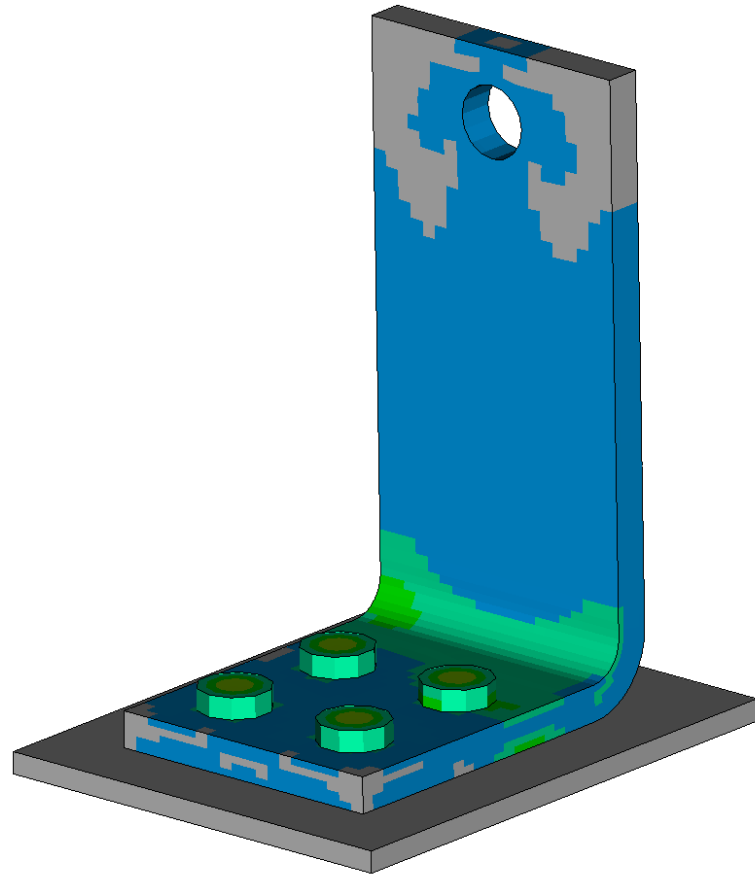
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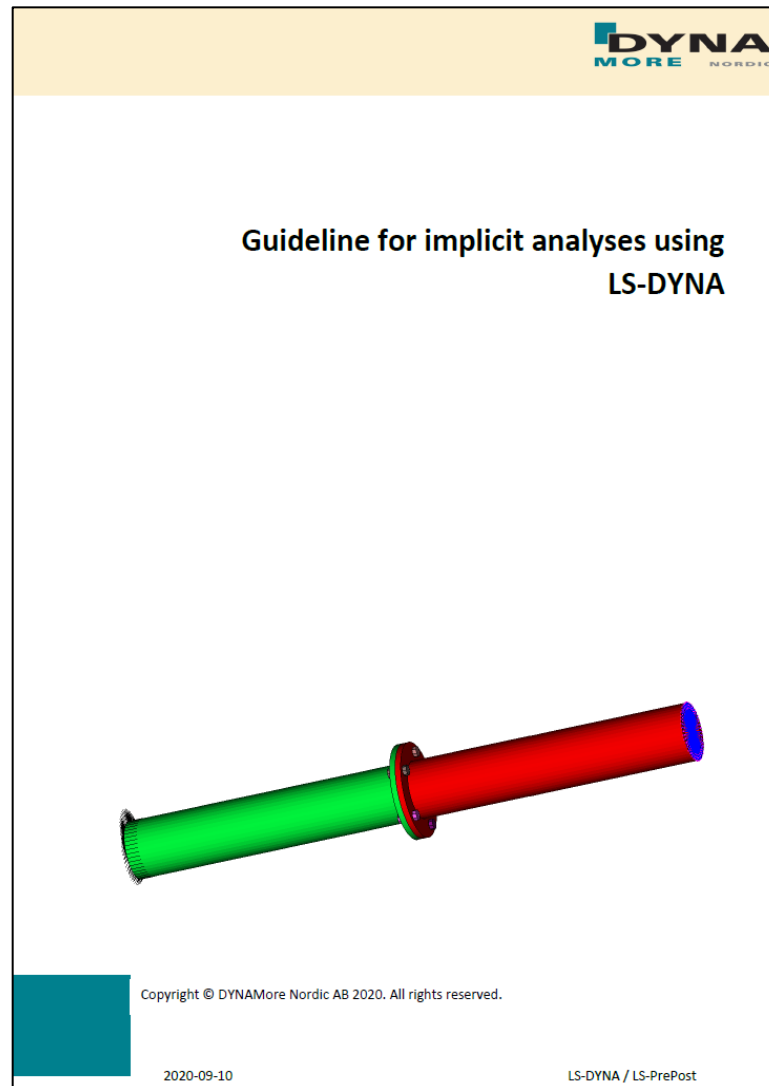
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 - For example forming

IMPLICIT SET-UP



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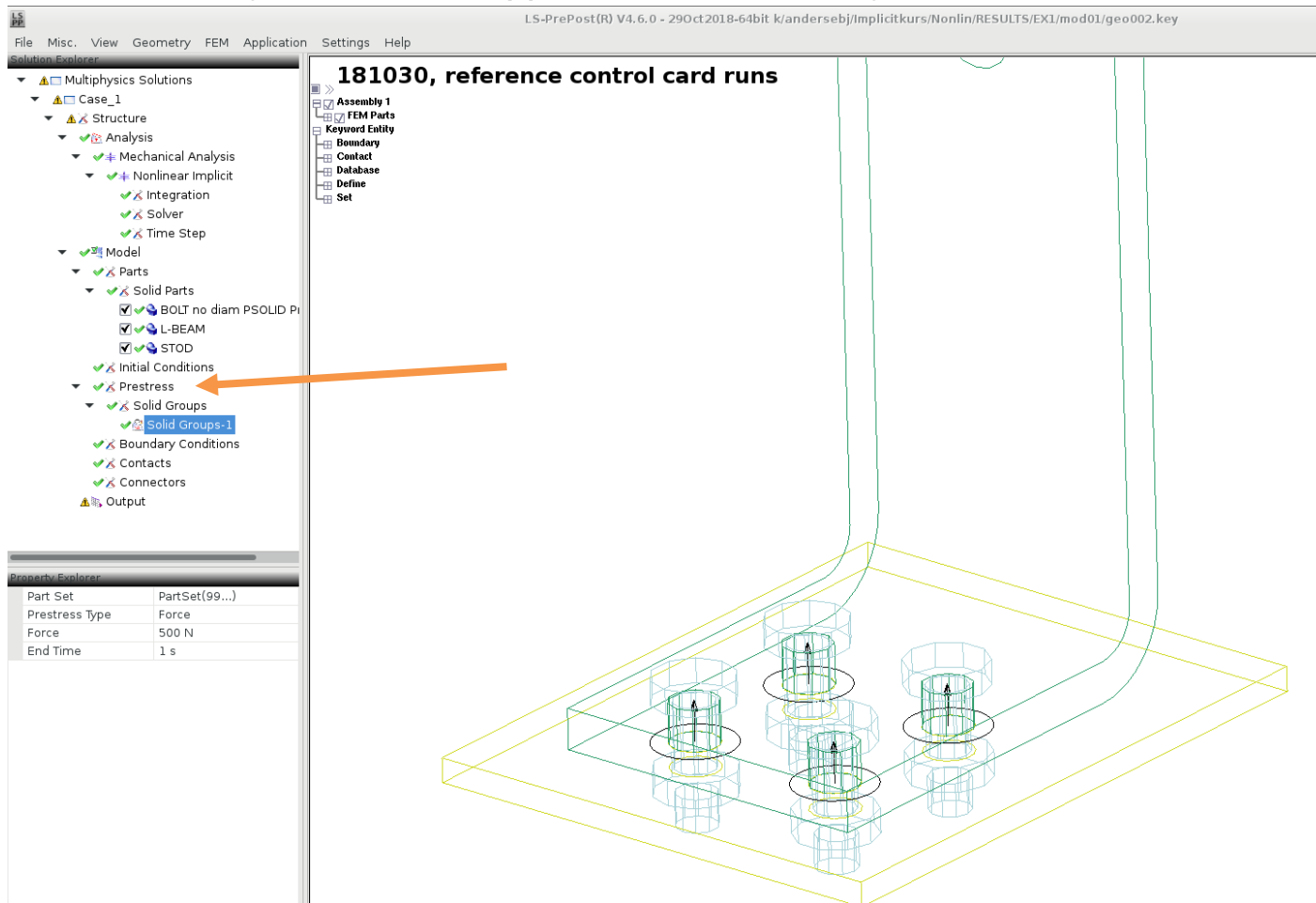
- The Guideline for implicit analyses is available for download for Dynamore Nordic customers, from files.dynamore.se > Client Area
- The **Appendix P** of the LS-DYNA keyword manual (R9.0 and later) also provides recommendations, background and motivation to implicit control card settings.
- A very educational Webinar from Christoph Schmied, DYNAmore Germany:

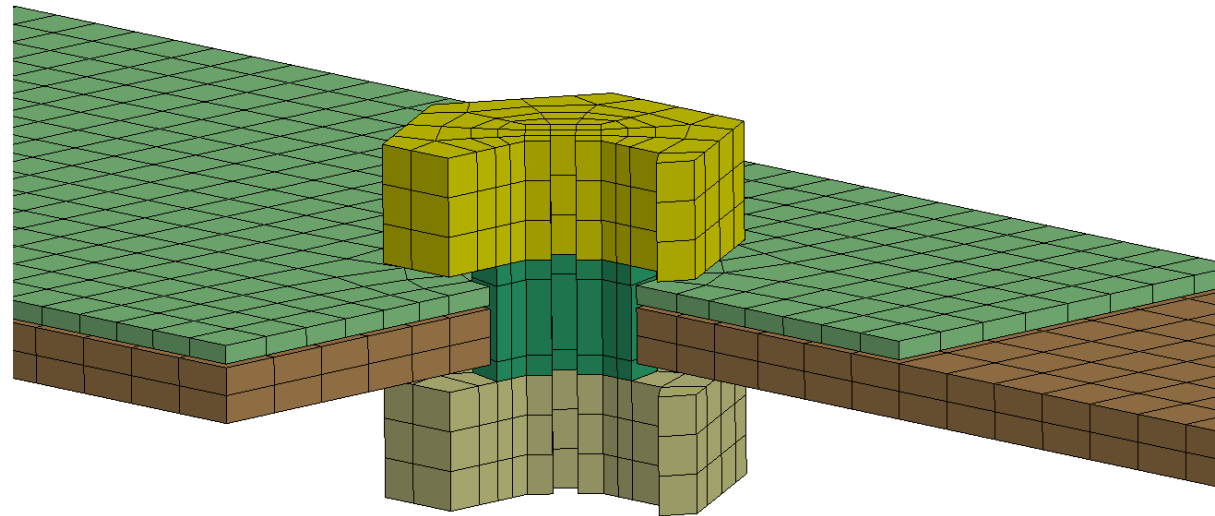
 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7SL321fO7_4&t=781s

- Dynamore / Ansys LST also gives courses in implicit analyses:
 - Non-linear implicit analysis in LS-DYNA (T. Borrvall)
 - From explicit to implicit (A. Jonsson)
 - Implicit analysis using LS-DYNA (DYNAmore Germany)
- see also: <https://www.dynamore.se/en/training/seminars> and <https://www.dynamore.de/en/training/seminars>

Pre-processing

- GUI dedicated for implicit set up is available in LS-PrePost from v4.6
- Including convenient support for Pre-stressing





BOLT PRE-TENSIONING

Bolt pre-tensioning

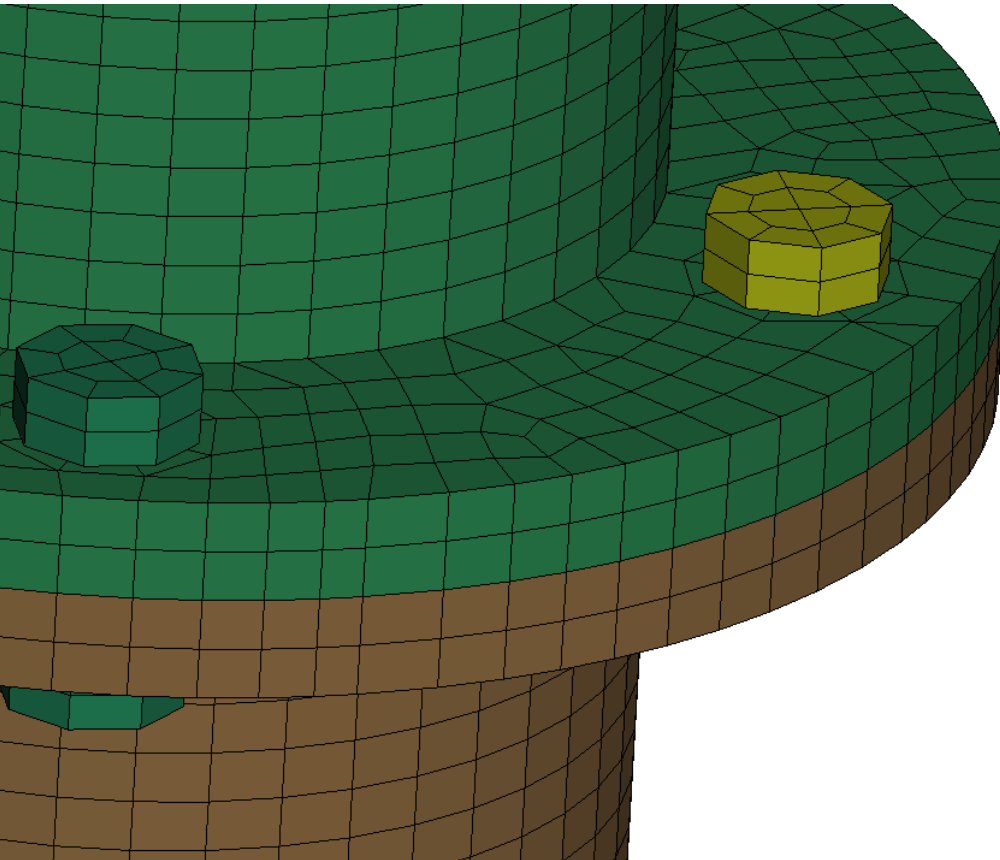
■ General background

- See <https://www.dynaexamples.com/show-cases/bolts>
- For an extensive description of bolts modelling, see Karajan, N., et al., Modeling bolts in LS-DYNA using explicit and implicit time integration, 15th Int. LS-DYNA Users Conf. (<https://www.dynalook.com/15th-international-ls-dyna-conference/implicit/modeling-bolts-in-ls-dyna-c-using-explicit-and-implicit-time-integration>)
- Webinar by J. Forsberg, Bolt pre-tensioning in LS-DYNA (2020-10-07), available from files.dynamore.se > Client Area > 7_Webinars

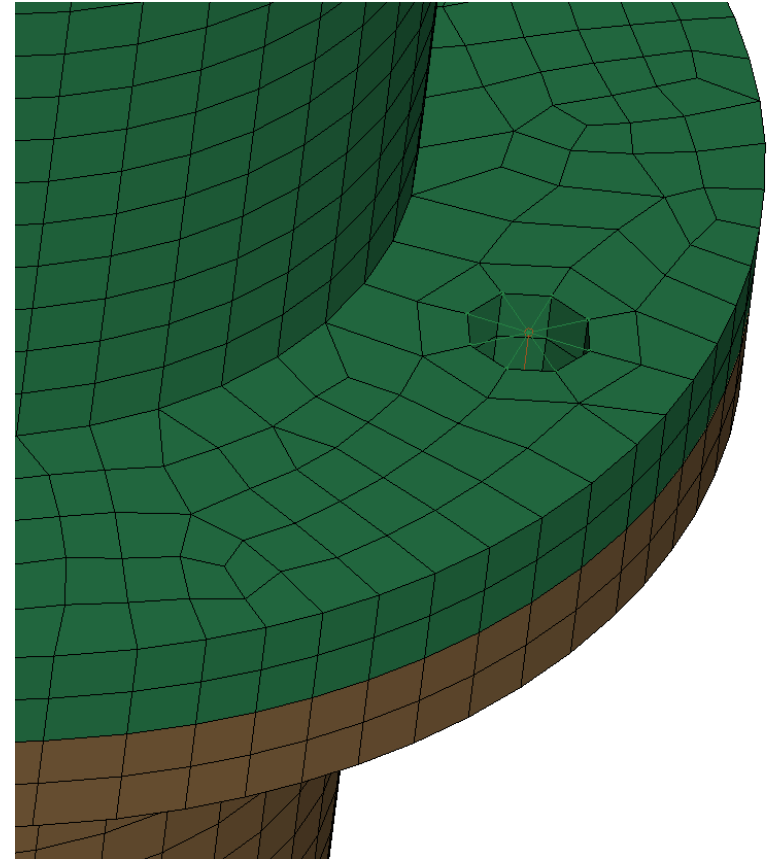
■ Bolt pre-tensioning

- Overview
- Solid bolts
- Beam bolts
- Some remarks on bending stiffness
- Bolt connections in ANSA
- Procedures for applying the pre-tensioning

Bolt pre-tensioning - overview

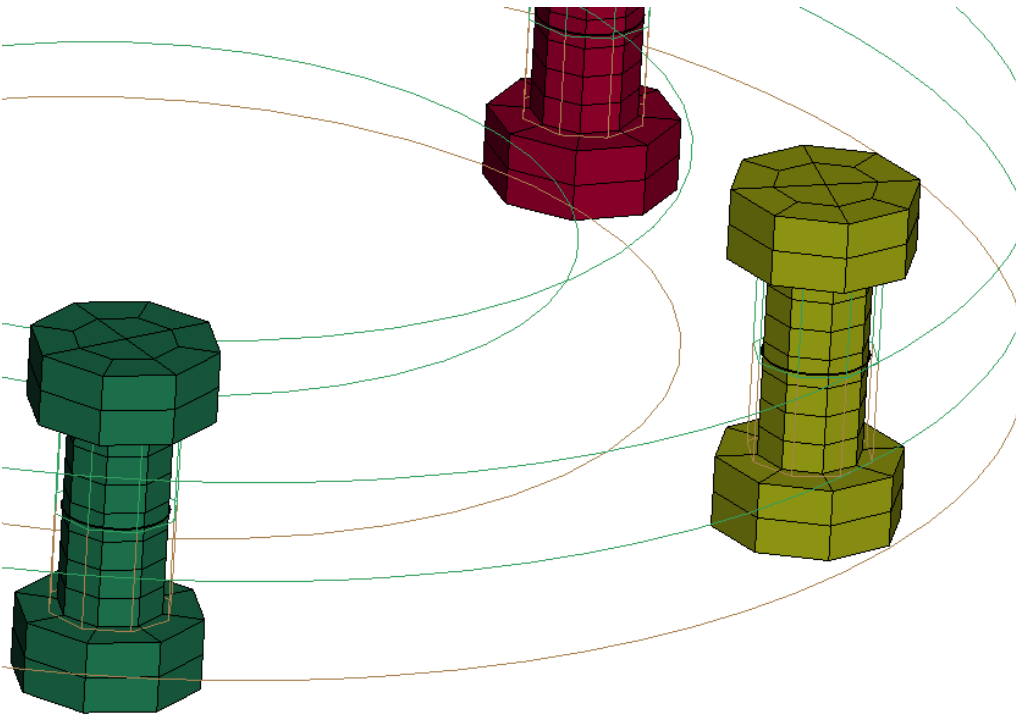


Solid bolts

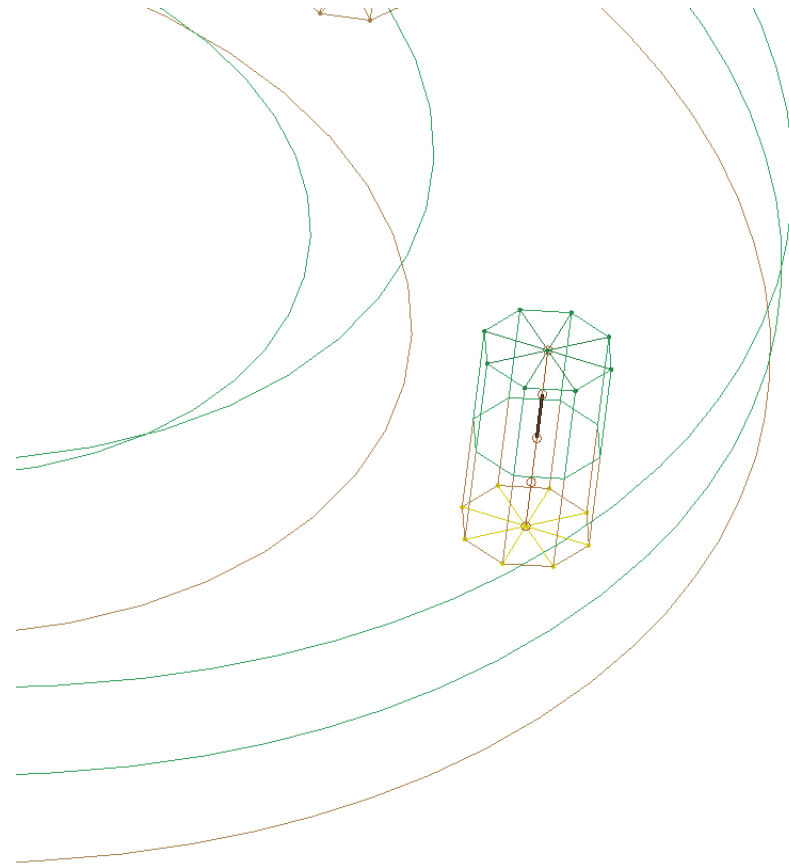


Beam bolts

Bolt pre-tensioning - overview



Solid bolts



Beam bolts

Bolt pre-tensioning - overview

Solid bolts

- Keyword:
*INITIAL_STRESS_SECTION and
*DATABASE_CROSS_SECTION
- Applies a stress.
- Solid element formulations ± 1 , ± 2
- Connected by contacts

Beam bolts

- Keyword:
*INITIAL_AXIAL_FORCE_BEAM
- Applies a force.
- Beam element formulation 9 and
*MAT_SPOTWELD
 - From R12.0.0, also beam element formulation 1 can be used, with any sensical material
- Connected by CNRBs

Bolt pre-tensioning - Load curves

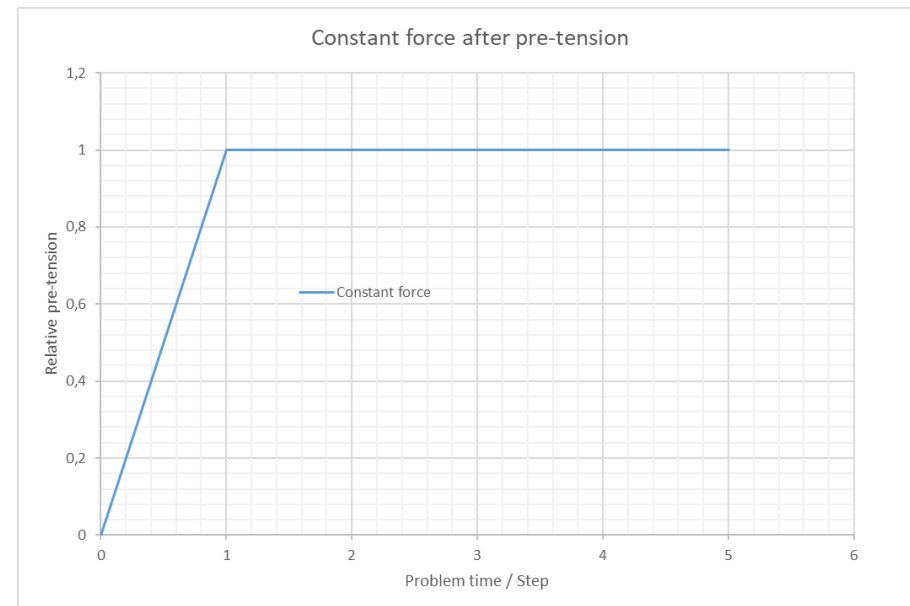
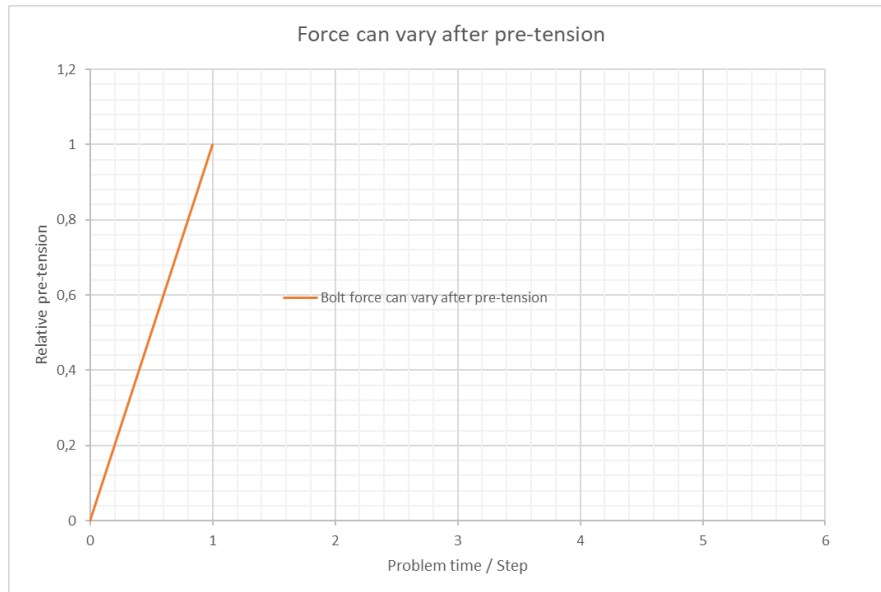
- A load curve is required to apply the pre-tensioning.
- Let the curve end when the initialization is completed.
- For example, for pre-tensioning in implicit (solid bolts):

```
*DEFINE_CURVE_TITLE  
Bolt pre-tensioning stress (MPa)  
100,  
0.,0.  
1.,400.
```

- This means that the pre-tensioning is ramped up from $t = 0$ to $t = 1$. During this time, the force in the bolt is controlled according to the curve.
- For $t > 1$, the force in the bolt can change due to the external loading.

Bolt pre-tensioning - Load curves

- In order to end the pre-tensioning, let the load curve end
- Should a constant force be required, let the load curve continue on a constant level



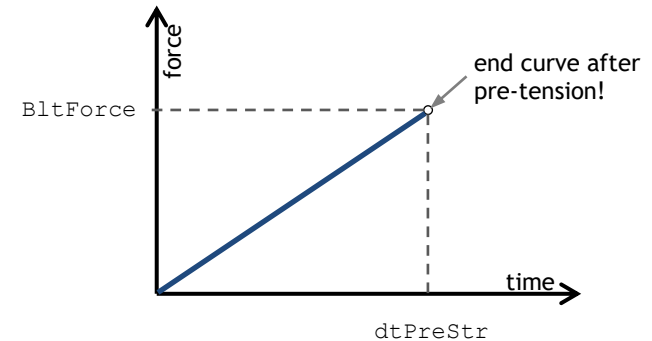
Bolt pre-tensioning - Load curves

- In order to end the pre-tensioning, let the load curve end
- Should a constant force be required, let the load curve continue on a constant level
- LS-DYNA will print an information message in the d3hsp - file when the pre-tensioning is completed
 - For beams: `"beam stress initialization is off"`
 - For solids: `"stress initialization is off"`
 - For solids, from R12.0.0, additional information is printed
`"initial stress complete for cross-section N at time ..."`

Bolt pre-tensioning - Beam bolts

- `*INITIAL_AXIAL_FORCE_BEAM` for pre-tension of beam-style bolts. Applies a force.
- NOTE! Spotweld beam (elform 9) with `*MAT_SPOTWELD` must be used.
 - From R12, also beam elform 1 is allowed, with any (reasonable) material
- Make sure that all DOFs of the beam end nodes are connected! Avoid release conditions on CNRB:s! If `*CONSTRAINED_INTERPOLATION` is used, set `DDOF = 123456`

```
*INITIAL_AXIAL_FORCE_BEAM
$#    bsid    lcid    scale    kbend
      100     100         1         1
*DEFINE_CURVE_TITLE
Pre-tension ramp
$#    lcid    sidr    sfa    sfo    offa    offo
      100          &dtPreStr &BltForce
$#          a1          o1
          0.0          0.0
          1.0          1.0
```



- `bsid`: beam set ID containing the (spot weld) beams to be pre-tensioned
- `dtPreStr`: parameter defining the initialization time of the pre-tension
- `BlтForce`: parameter defining the pre-tension force
- Bending stiffness of bolt during initialization
 - `kbend=0`: no bending stiffness
 - `kbend=1`: beam has bending stiffness (from R10)

Bolt pre-tensioning - Solid bolts

■ Initialization of a normal stress in a cross section of the solid elements

```
*INITIAL_STRESS_SECTION
$#   issid   csid   lcid   psid   vid   izshear
      100     100     100     100     100       2

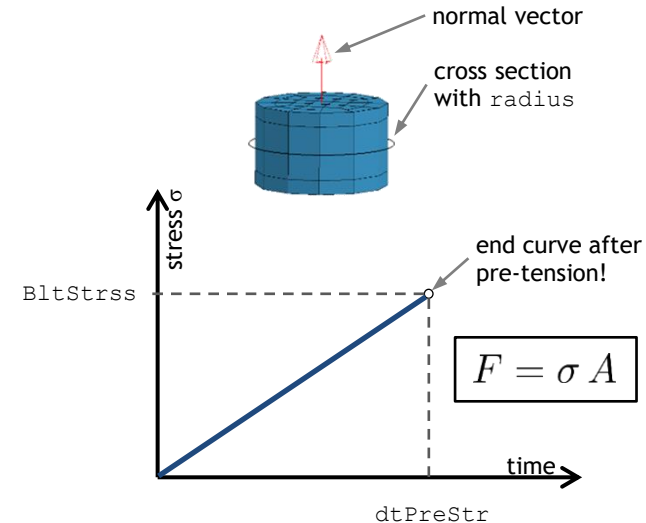
*DEFINE_CURVE_TITLE
Pre-tension stress ramp
$#   lcid   sidr   sfa   sfo   offa   offo   dattyp   lcint
      100           &dtPreStr &BlStress

$#           a1           o1
           0.0           0.0
           1.0           1.0

*DATABASE_CROSS_SECTION_PLANE_ID
$#   csid   title
      100   Cross Section Bolt

$#   psid   xct   yct   zct   xch   ych   zch   radius
      100           -1.6           0.6           5.5

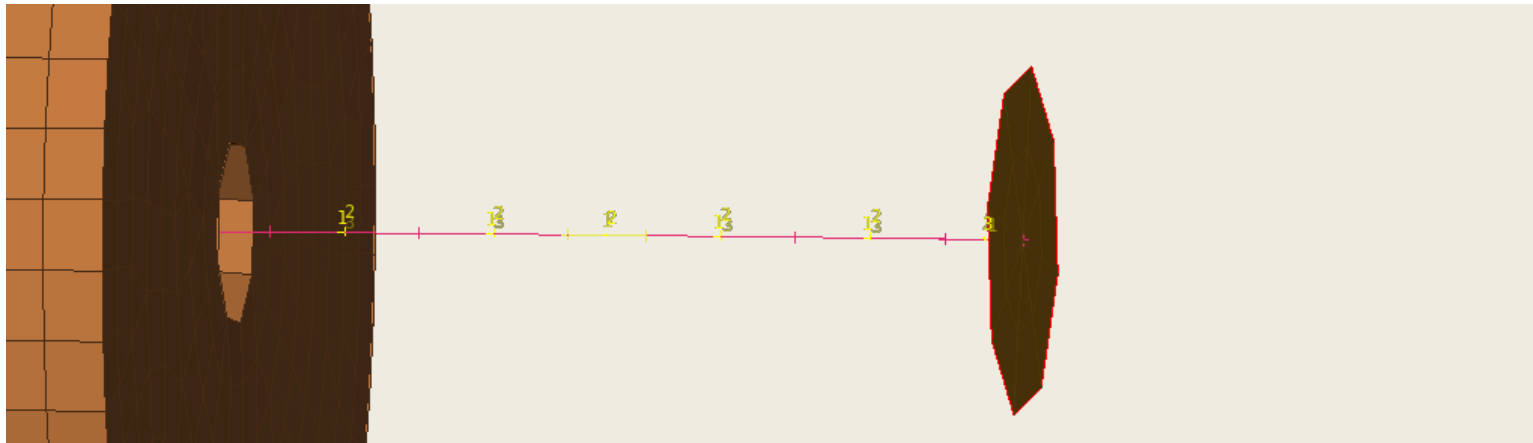
$#   xhev   yhev   zhev   lenl   lenm   id   itype
```



- psid: part set ID containing the solid elements to be pre-stressed
- vid: normal vector, required if *DATABASE_CROSS_SECTION_SET defines the section
- {x,y,z}ct {x,y,z}ch: head and tail coordinate of normal vector of the cross section
- BltStress: the (normal) stress to be applied (provide reasonable value!)
- izshear: flag to activate shear (and bending) stiffness during pre-stressing phase

Bolt pre-tensioning - recommendations

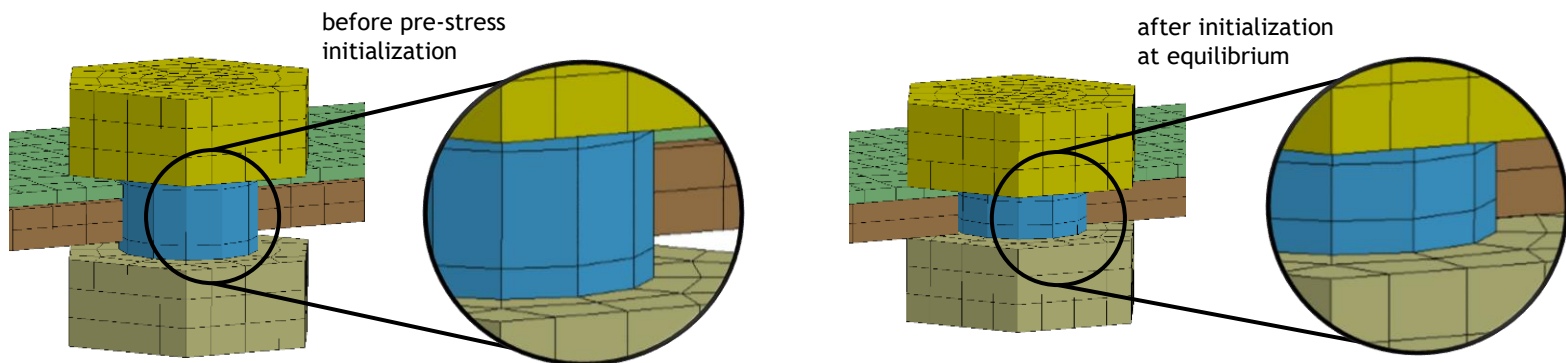
- If possible, minimize gaps between bolt heads / nuts and flanges
- If a beam bolt consists of many beam elements, apply
*INITIAL_AXIAL_FORCE_BEAM to one beam element per bolt.
 - Set $KBEND = 1$ to account also for the bending stiffness of the beam



- Add *DATABASE_HISTORY_BEAM_SET for the beam elements which are being pre-tensioned.
 - Forces in spotweld beams (elform 9) are by default output in the `swforc` - file, if
*DATABASE_SWFORC is active

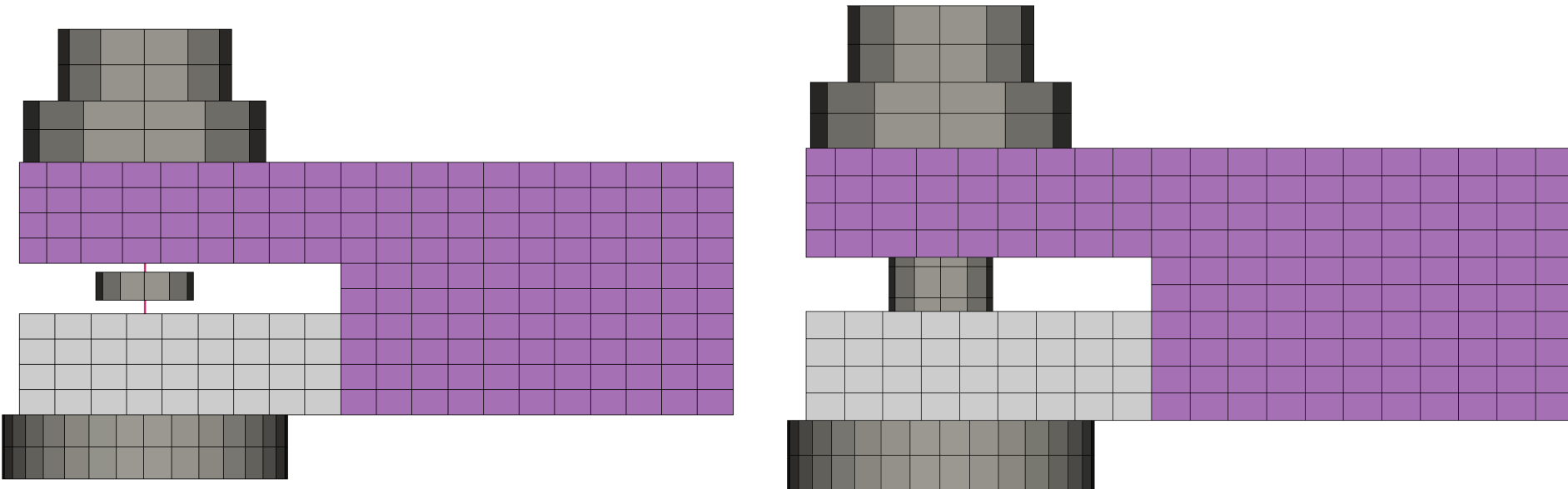
Bolt pre-tensioning - recommendations

- Use an individual `*DATABASE_CROSS_SECTION_PLANE` for each `*INITIAL_STRESS_SECTION` for solid element bolts. By this, cross section forces and moments can be evaluated for each bolt individually from the `secforc` - file.
- Including geometric stiffness effects (IGS = 1 on `*CONTROL_IMPLICIT_GENERAL`, active in User's guide control cards) may aid convergence for pre-tensioning of solid bolts.
- Beware that if the elements are initially (very) “small” and/or the structure surrounding the bolt is weak, there is a risk of ending up with `Error termination due to Negative volume in solid element`. The remedy is often simply to mesh the pre-tension section a bit coarser.



Bolt pre-tensioning - options: kbend, izshear

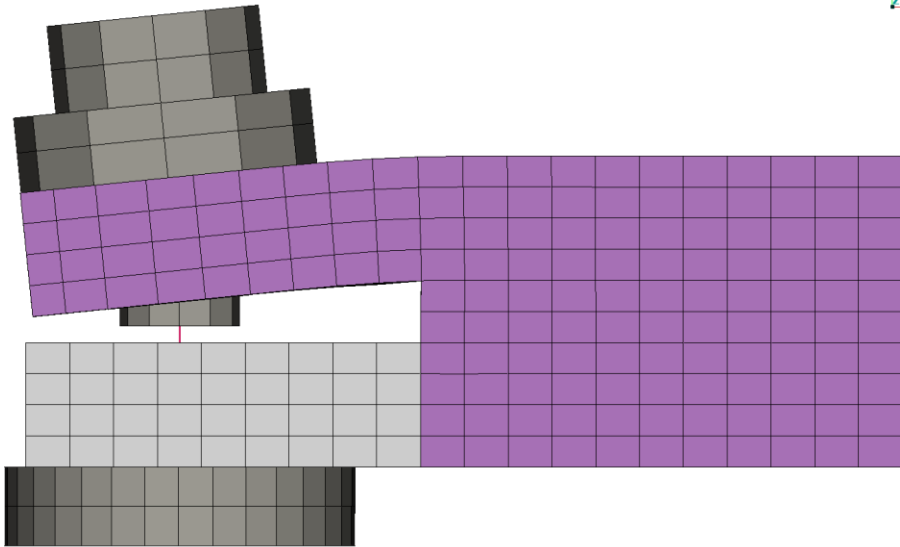
- By default, LS-DYNA applies the pre-tensioning only in the axial direction. Stress gradients are not considered.



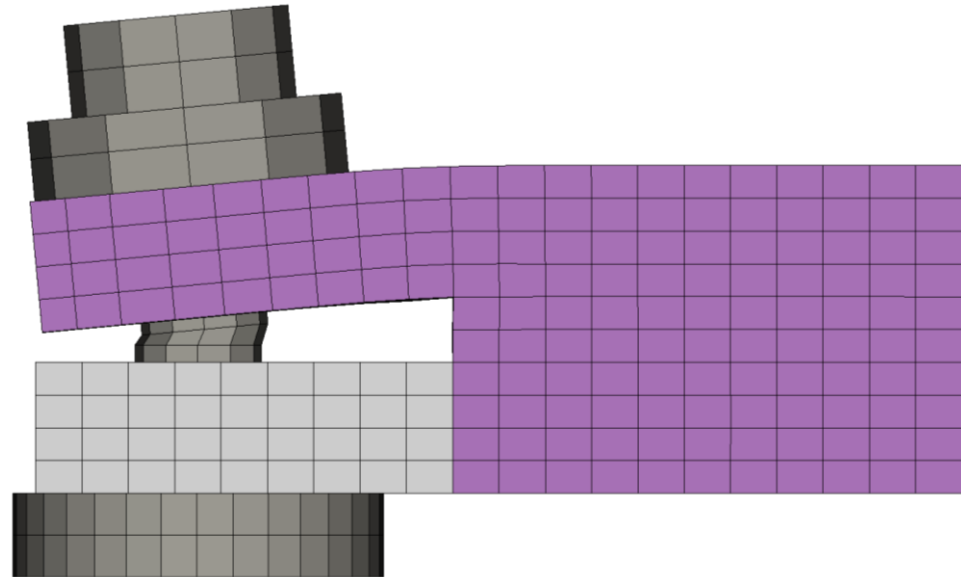
Bolt pre-tensioning - options: kbend, izshear

- By default, LS-DYNA applies the pre-tensioning only in the axial direction. Stress gradients are not considered.

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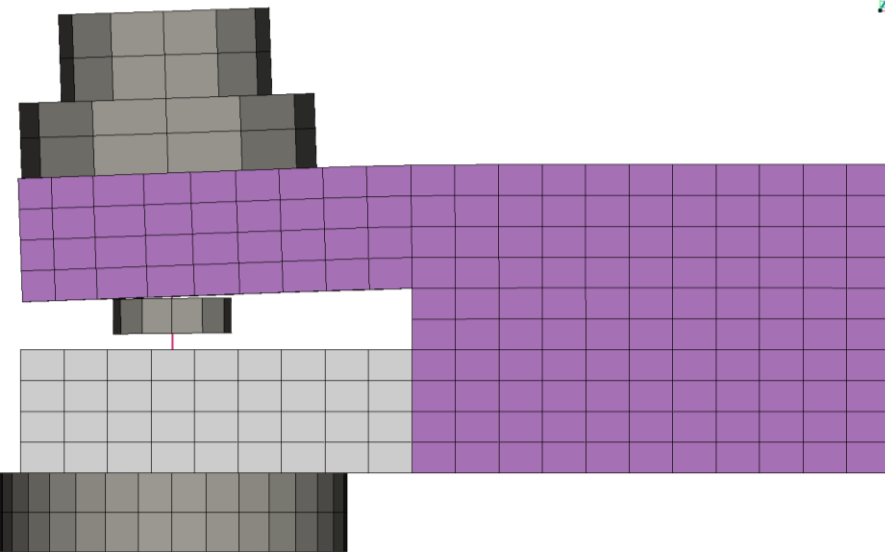
$kbend = 0$



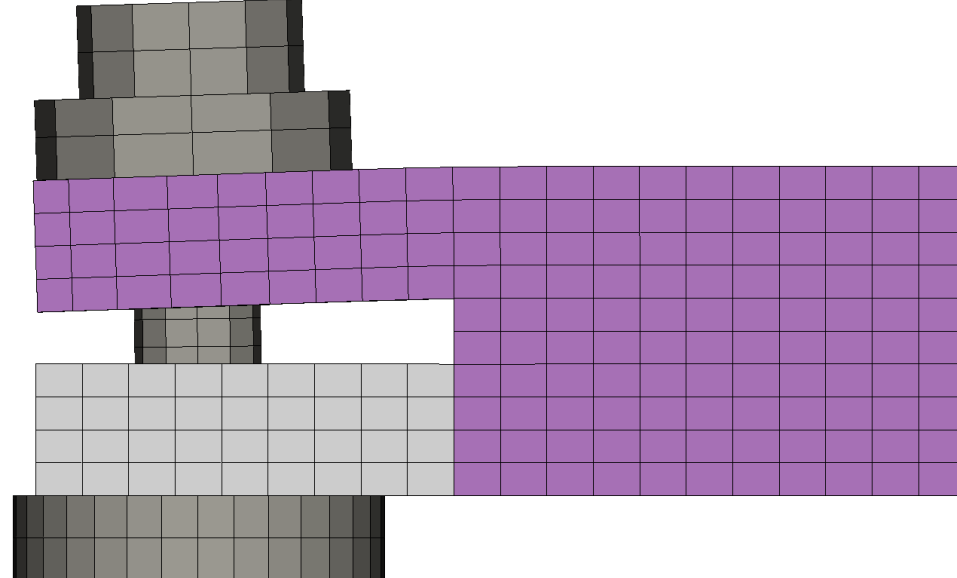
$izshear = 0$

Bolt pre-tensioning - options: kbend, izshear

- For beam bolts, set `kbend = 1` on the pre-tension card to account also for the bending stiffness of the beam.
- For solid bolts, set `izshear = 2` on the pre-tension card to account also for the stress gradient across the pre-tension section.



0:d3plot : 181108, bolt pre-tension by solids, IZSHEAR = 2 : STATE 28 ,TIME 2.00000000E+00

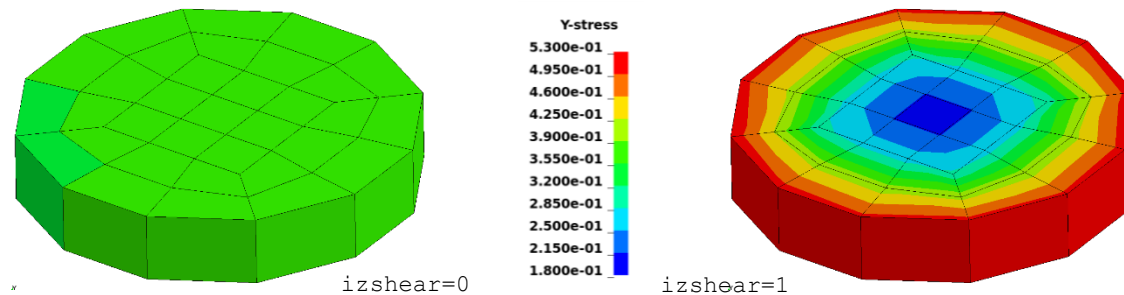


`kbend = 1, from R9`

`izshear = 2, R11.1`

Bolt pre-tensioning - *IZSHEAR*

- `izshear`: Allow shear stresses to develop during the pre-stressing phase
 - Yields more realistic distribution of the normal stresses
 - Normal stress distribution in the bolt at equilibrium using LS-DYNA implicit (from R11.1)
 - `izshear=0`: yields homogeneous normal stress of 0.38 GPa
 - `izshear=2`: yields inhomogeneous normal stresses averaging 0.38 GPa over the cross section



- Revised for implicit from R11.1
 - For explicit analysis this will be available as `izshear=2`
 - For implicit `izshear=1` and `izshear=2` are synonymous

Bolt pre-tensioning - options: kbend, izshear

- For `*INITIAL_AXIAL_FORCE_BEAM` the bending stiffness in the beam can be accounted for by setting the flag `KBEND = 1` (available from R10)

```
*INITIAL_AXIAL_FORCE_BEAM
$#      bsid      lcid      scale      kbend
      123          1      70.E3          1
```

- For `*INITIAL_STRESS_SECTION` the bending stiffness of the cross section can be accounted for by setting the flag `IZSHEAR = 2` (available from R11.1).

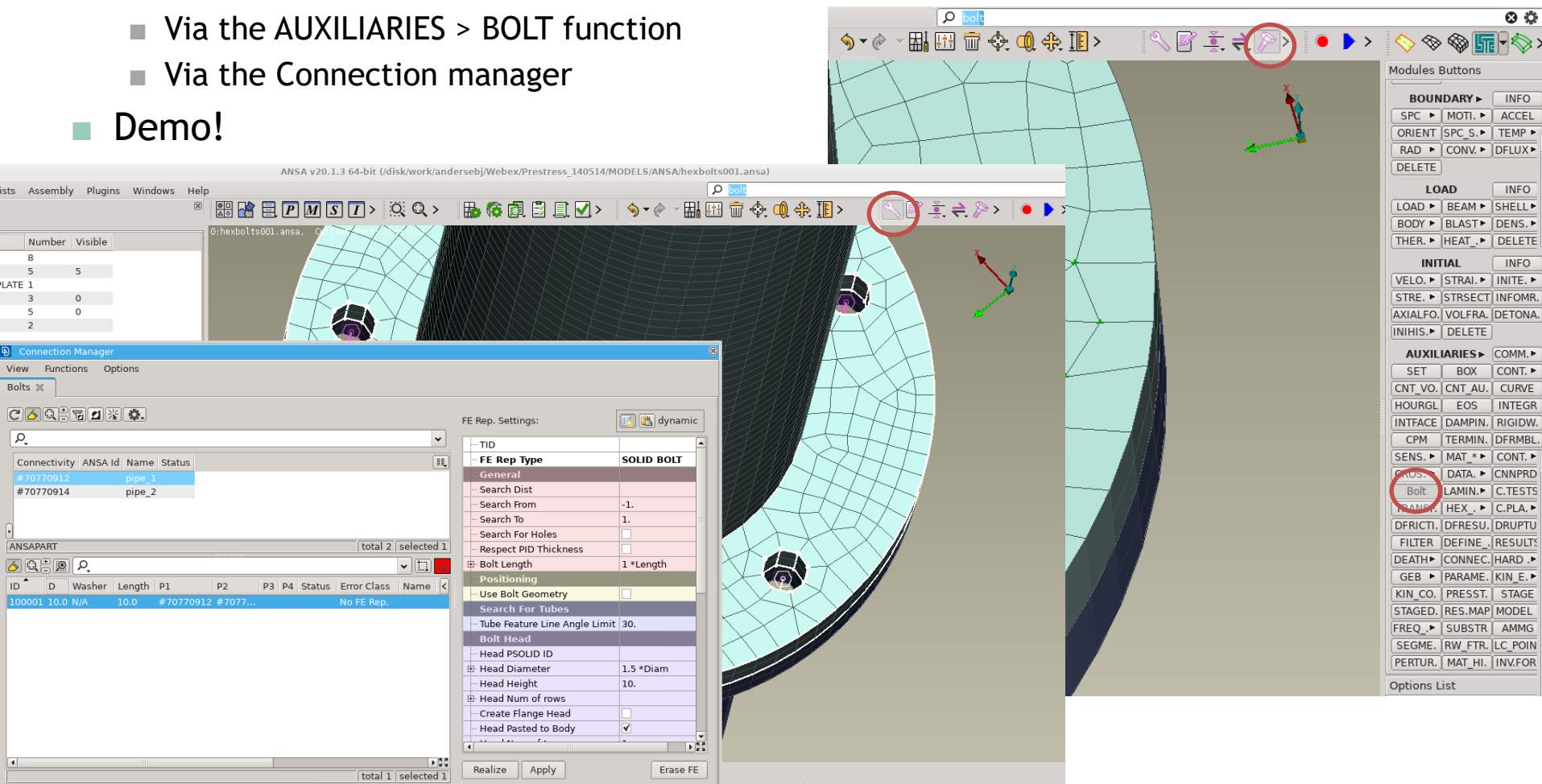
```
*INITIAL_STRESS_SECTION
$      issid      csid      lcid      psid      vid      izshear
          1          1      1002      101          2
```

Creating bolts in ANSA

■ There are two ways of creating bolts in ANSA

- Via the AUXILIARIES > BOLT function
- Via the Connection manager

■ Demo!



Procedures for applying the pre-tensioning

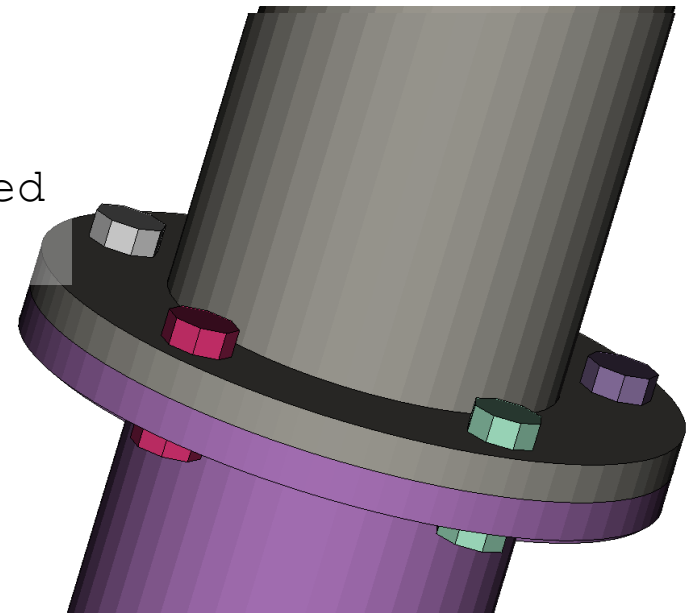
- Implicit static
- Implicit dynamics → implicit statics
- Dynamic Relaxation
 - Implicit
 - Explicit, followed by implicit
- (Explicit dynamics → implicit)

Pre-tensioning using implicit statics

- Pre-tensioning is applied just like “normal” load application.
 - Don’t use a “too small” first time step size.
- Statics should work for beam bolts connected to the structure by constrained nodal rigid bodies.
 - Make sure that all DOFs of the beam nodes are connected! Avoid release conditions on CNRB:s! If `*CONSTRAINED_INTERPOLATION` is used, set `DDOF = 123456`
- If the assembly only is connected by the (solid) bolts and contacts, the model will have rigid body modes at $t = 0$.
 - LS-DYNA will print negative eigenvalue warnings.

```
*** Warning 60124 (IMP+124)
      11 negative eigenvalues detected
```

- Still, the pre-tensioning may converge.



Pre-tensioning using implicit dynamics

- Initial rigid body modes will be taken care of by the dynamics.
 - When dynamics is active, time means “physical time”. The time to ramp up the pre-tensioning becomes important.
 - For example, if the model is in the mm - ms - kg system, time is ms, and a ramp-up time of perhaps 100 ms may be required.
- Dynamic effects can then be ramped down, as the contacts establish, and the rest of the analysis can be performed as static.

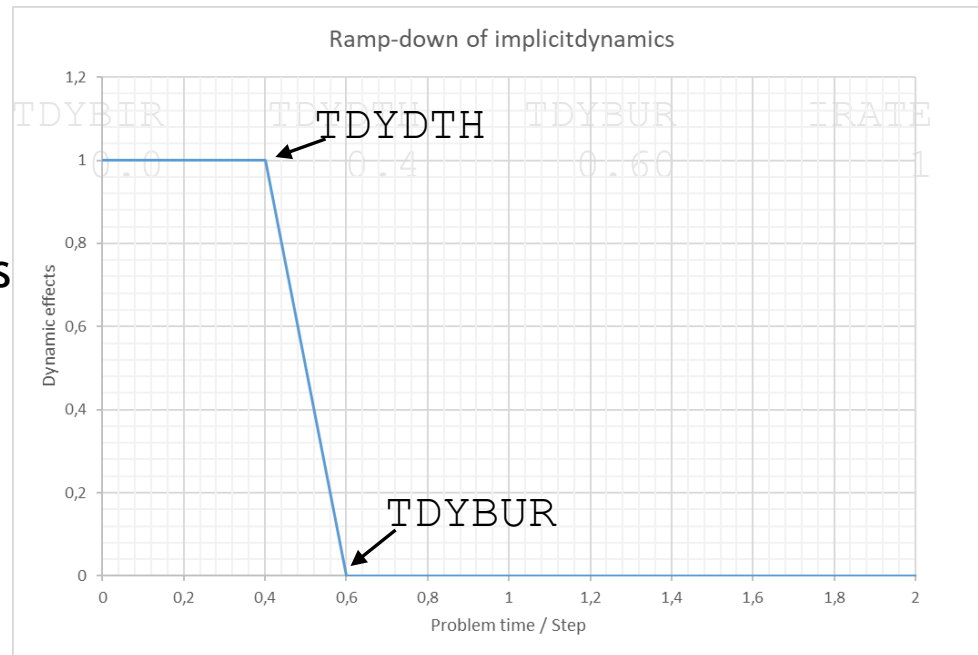
```
*CONTROL_IMPLICIT_DYNAMICS
```

```
$ IMASS  
1
```

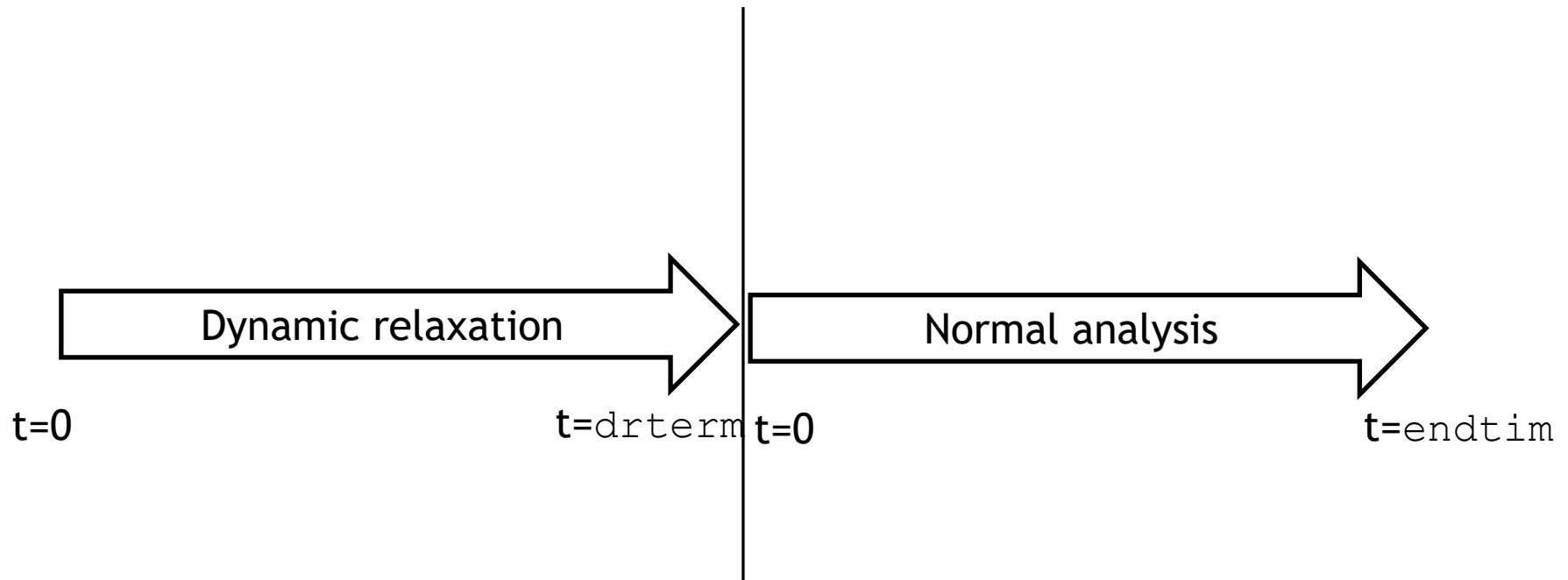
GAMMA
0.6

BETA
0.38

Settings for quasi-statics

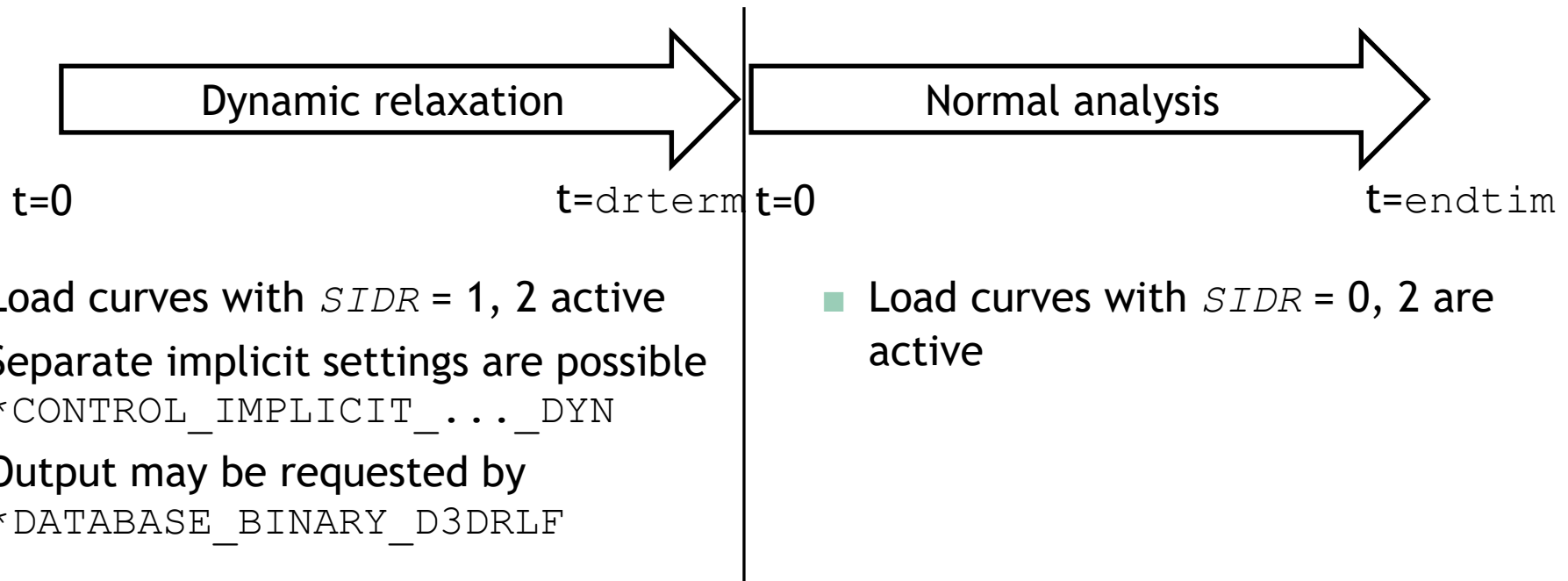


Dynamic relaxation



- Dynamic Relaxation (DR) is a way of splitting a LS-DYNA analysis into two “phases”.
- In the first phase, the Dynamic Relaxation, pre-loading can be applied
- The “actual” loading of the structure (including pre-load) then takes place in the Normal analysis

Dynamic relaxation



- Load curves with $SIDR = 1, 2$ active
 - Separate implicit settings are possible
`*CONTROL_IMPLICIT..._DYN`
 - Output may be requested by
`*DATABASE_BINARY_D3DRLF`
-
- Load curves with $SIDR = 0, 2$ are active
-
- For bolt pre-tensioning, DR is “easy” to set up (bolt pre-tension is complete when the force/stress load curve ends, so only a load curve using $SIDR = 1$ is required) but care must be taken in the general case.
 - Also take care with “birth” and “death” - time of for example contacts and prescribed displacements (if applicable)

Pre-tensioning using implicit dynamic relaxation (DR)

- Implicit dynamic relaxation can be static and/or dynamic.
- Set *SIDR* = 1 on the pre-tension load curve to activate DR
- Set *DRTERM* on **CONTROL_DYNAMIC_RELAXATION* to specify the end time of the Dynamic Relaxation
 - Also set *NRCYCK* = 1 to make sure that convergence is checked after each iteration
- From R11, it is possible to specify separate implicit settings for the DR
 - **CONTROL_IMPLICIT_GENERAL_DYN*
 - **CONTROL_IMPLICIT_AUTO_DYN*
 - **CONTROL_IMPLICIT_DYNAMICS_DYN*
 - **CONTROL_IMPLICIT_SOLUTION_DYN*

Pre-tensioning using implicit dynamic relaxation (DR)

- Set $SIDR = 1$ on the pre-tension load curve
 - Other load curves that are to be active during DR should have $SIDR = 1$ or 2 for example to specify variation of max time step

```
*DEFINE_CURVE_TITLE
Bolt pre-tension 600 MPa
$      LCID      SIDR
      1002        1
0.,.0
1.,600.
```

Pre-tensioning is
ramped up

```
*CONTROL_DYNAMIC_RELAXATION
$      NRCYCK      DRTOL      DRFCTR      DRTERM      TSSFDR      IRELAL      EDTTL      IDREFLG
      1            1            1            1            1            1            1            5

*CONTROL_IMPLICIT_AUTO_DYN
$      IAUTO      ITEOPT      ITEWIN      DTMIN      DTMAX      DTEXP
      1            100          20          0.          -701.          0.

*CONTROL_IMPLICIT_DYNAMICS_DYN
$      IMASS      GAMMA      BETA      TDYBIR      TDYDTH      TDYBUR      IRATE
      1            0.6        0.38      0.0          0.4           0.60          1
```

Pre-tensioning using explicit dynamic relaxation (DR)

- Can be very efficient for structures with many loose parts.
- Add contact damping to aid “convergence” ($VDC = 20 - 40$) of explicit DR.
- Set $SIDR = 1$ on the pre-tension load curve.
- In case of an implicit analysis, also setting $IDRFLG = 1$ on `*CONTROL_DYNAMIC_RELAXATION` will be required to activate explicit DR.
- `*CONTROL_TIMESTEP` is also recommended. Use moderate mass scaling ($< 10 - 15 \%$) by $dt2ms < 0$.
- Explicit DR Applies similar to a mass damping to reduce nodal velocities
 - $DRFCTR$ can be set on `*CONTROL_DYNAMIC_RELAXATION`, default is 0.995

$$\alpha = \frac{(1 - DRFCTR)}{\Delta t}$$

- Adding stiffness damping ($\sim 2.5 \%$) to parts in contact and up to 10% to parts being pre-tensioned is recommended

Pre-tensioning using explicit dynamic relaxation (DR)

- For explicit Dynamic relaxation, it is often most efficient to apply the pre-tension instantaneously, or using a very sharp ramp (~ 1 ms)
 - Try to minimize gaps between the parts subjected to pre-tension

```
*DEFINE_CURVE_TITLE
Bolt pre-tension 600 MPa
$      LCID      SIDR
      1002        1
0.,600.
1.,600.
*CONTROL_TIMESTEP
$      TDINT      TSSFAC      ISDO      TSLIMIT      DT2MS
                                -5.E-04
*CONTROL_DYNAMIC_RELAXATION
$      NRCYCK      DRTOL      DRFCTR      DRTERM      TSSFDR      IRELAL      EDTTL      IDRFLG
                                                                1
*DAMPING_PART_STIFFNESS_SET
...
*CONTACT_AUTOMATIC_SINGLE_SURFACE_..._ID
  19000001Global contact
      111          2
$      FS          FD          VDC
      0.1          40
```

Pre-tensioning is constant

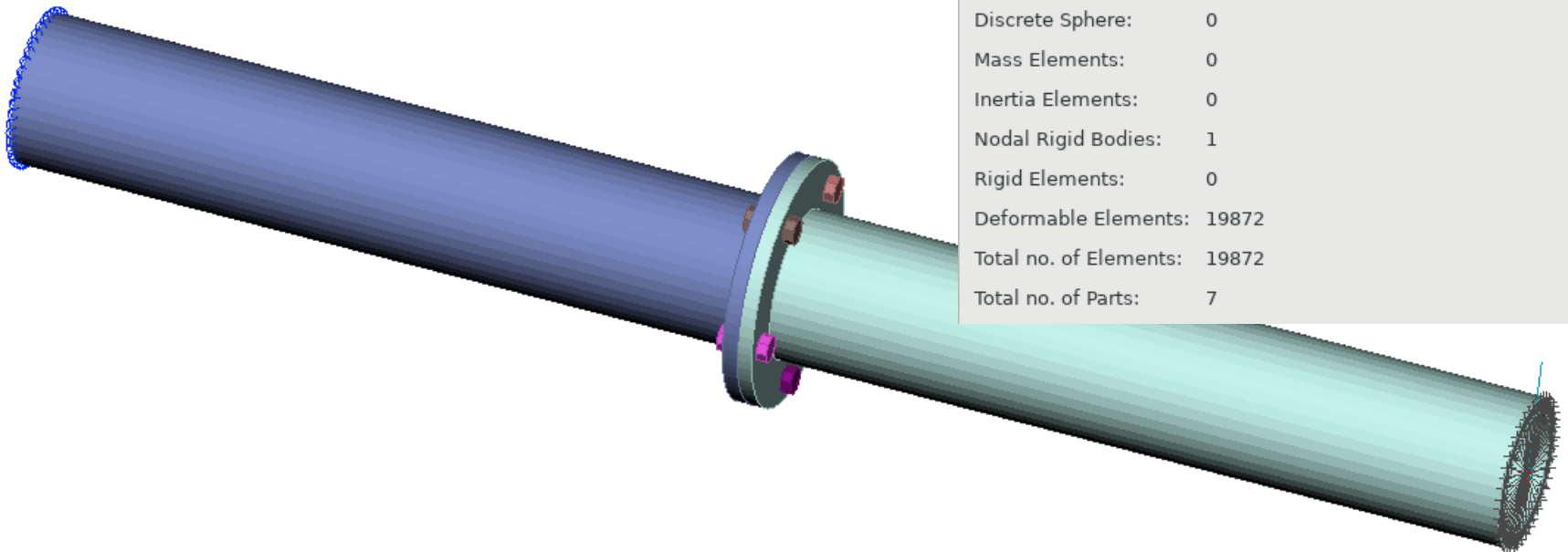


Procedures for applying the pre-tensioning in implicit

- Implicit static
- Implicit dynamics → Statics
- Using dynamic relaxation (DR)
 - Implicit dynamics → Statics
 - Explicit
- Solution times comparison

General Info

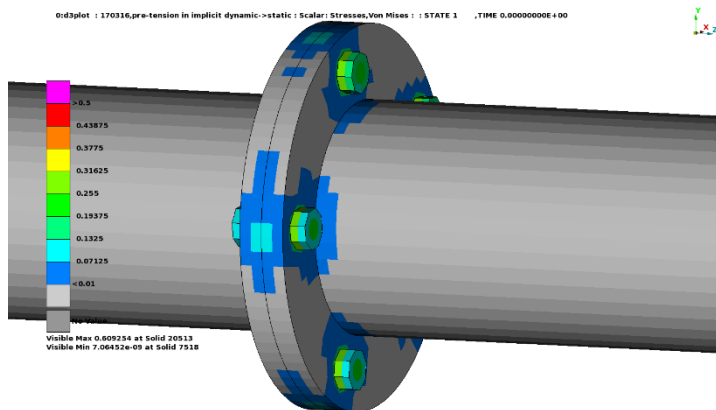
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Shells:	0	Shell Parts: 0
TShells:	0	TShell Parts: 0
Solids:	19872	Solid Parts: 7
SPH Nodes:	0	SPH Parts: 0
Discrete Elements:	0	Discrete Parts: 0
Seatbelt Elements:	0	Seatbelt Parts: 0
Nurbs Elements:	0	Nurbs Parts: 0
Discrete Sphere:	0	
Mass Elements:	0	
Inertia Elements:	0	
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Possible procedures for applying bolt pre-tensioning

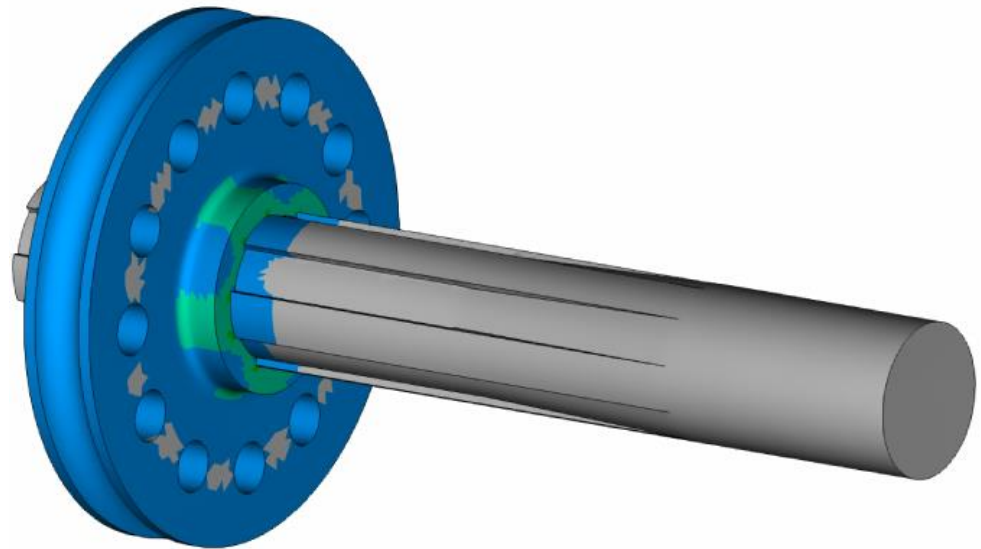
- Solution times for the pipe example. Run on 4 cores on Dynamore's newest cluster nodes, using mpp/LS-DYNA R11.1 and $IZSHEAR = 0$

Option	Time / seconds	Comment	Keyword file example
Dynamic → Static implicit	52	No negative eigenvalues	pretens002.key
Implicit DR	52 ⁽¹⁾ / 70 ⁽²⁾	Same time for bolt pre as in Normal time	pretens004.key
Implicit static	79	11 negative eigenvalues during first time step	pretens001b.key
Explicit DR	32 ⁽¹⁾ / 56 ⁽²⁾	The fastest bolt pre!	pretens003.key



Notes: (1) Time for bolt pre-tensioning. (2) Total time to normal termination, run 1 time unit with no additional loading

PRESS-FIT



Press fit in contacts

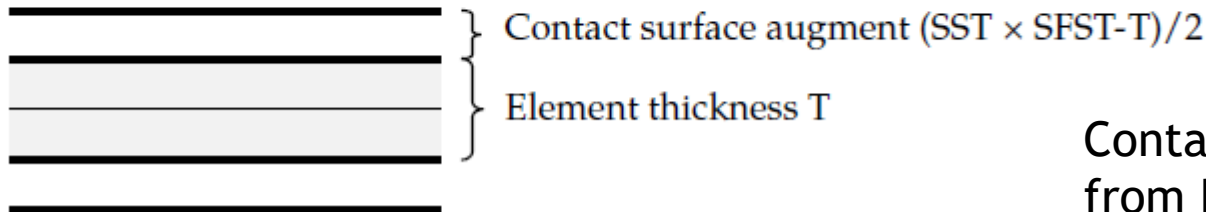
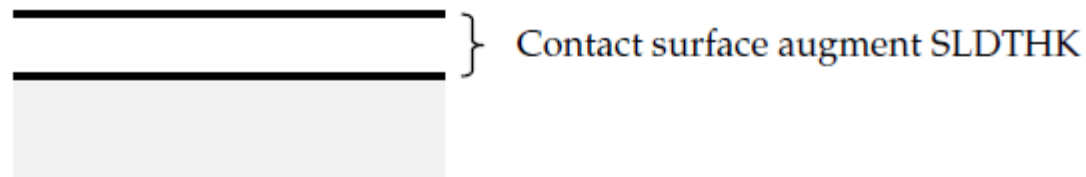
- Use Mortar contacts for implicit analyses,
*CONTACT_AUTOMATIC...SURFACE_MORTAR_ID
- Mortar contact can also resolve press-fit
- Parameters on Optional Card C
 - *MPAR1* to specify time to resolve the initial penetrations.
 - *MPAR1* < -1.0: $|MPAR1|$ is the ID of a curve defining the relative penetration reduction as function of time.
 - *IGNORE* = 3 for “small” penetrations (found in normal contact search)
 - *IGNORE* = 4 for “finite” penetrations, and *MPAR2* to specify search distance for penetrating nodes.
 - The solid contact thickness (*PENMAX* on Optional Card B) may require adjustment

Press fit in contacts

- Use Mortar contacts for implicit analyses,
*CONTACT_AUTOMATIC...SURFACE_MORTAR_ID
- Mortar contact can also resolve press-fit
- The contact surface is adjusted at $t = 0$ so that no initial penetrations exist
- The contact surface is then moved out to coincide with the meshed surface
- It is possible to parametrize the grip by contact surface augmentation. For solids, the parameter *SLDTHK* (optional card B of the contact definition) can be used to directly specify the thickness increase.

Press fit in contacts

- It is possible to parametrize the grip by contact surface augmentation. For solids, this is most conveniently done in R10, where the parameter *SLDTHK* (optional card B of the contact definition) can be used to directly specify the thickness increase. Note that both master and slave side will be augmented!
- NOTE! *SLDTHK* < 0 is also allowed



Contact surface augmentation
from R10

Contacts - Press-fit

■ Mortar example for small penetration / press-fit

*CONTACT_AUTOMATIC_SURFACE_TO_SURFACE_MORTAR_ID

\$#	cid								title
	1	interference							
\$#	ssid	msid	sstyp	mstyp	sboxid	mboxid	spr	mpr	
	9	10	3	3	0	0	0	0	
\$#	fs	fd	dc	vc	vdc	penchk	bt	dt	
	0.100000								
\$#	sfs	sfm	sst	mst	sfst	sfmt	fsf	vsf	
\$#	soft	sofscl	<i>MPAR1 is the time when the press-fit should be resolved</i>				bsort	frcfrq	
\$#	penmax	thkopt	thkmin	thkcy	thkym	thksc	sldthk	sldstf	
\$#	igap	ignodprfac	mpadtstif	mpar2	unused	unused	flangl	cid_rcf	
	1	3	1.000000						

Set *IGNORE* = 3 for “small” interference

Contacts - Press-fit

■ Mortar example for large penetration / press-fit

*CONTACT_AUTOMATIC_SURFACE_TO_SURFACE_MORTAR_ID

\$#	cid	title							
	linterference								
\$#	ssid	msid	sstyp	mstyp	sboxid	mboxid	spr	mpr	
	9	10	3	3	0	0	0	0	
\$#	fs	fd	dc	vc	vdc	penchk	bt	dt	
	0.100000								
\$#	sfst	sfmt	fsf	vsf					
\$#	soft	sofscl	bsort	frcfrq					
\$#	penmax	thkopt	sldthk	sldstf					
	3.0								
\$#	ignodprfac	mpadtstif	mpar2	unused	unused	flangl	cid_rcf		
	1	4	1.000000	3.000000					

PENMAX may require modification

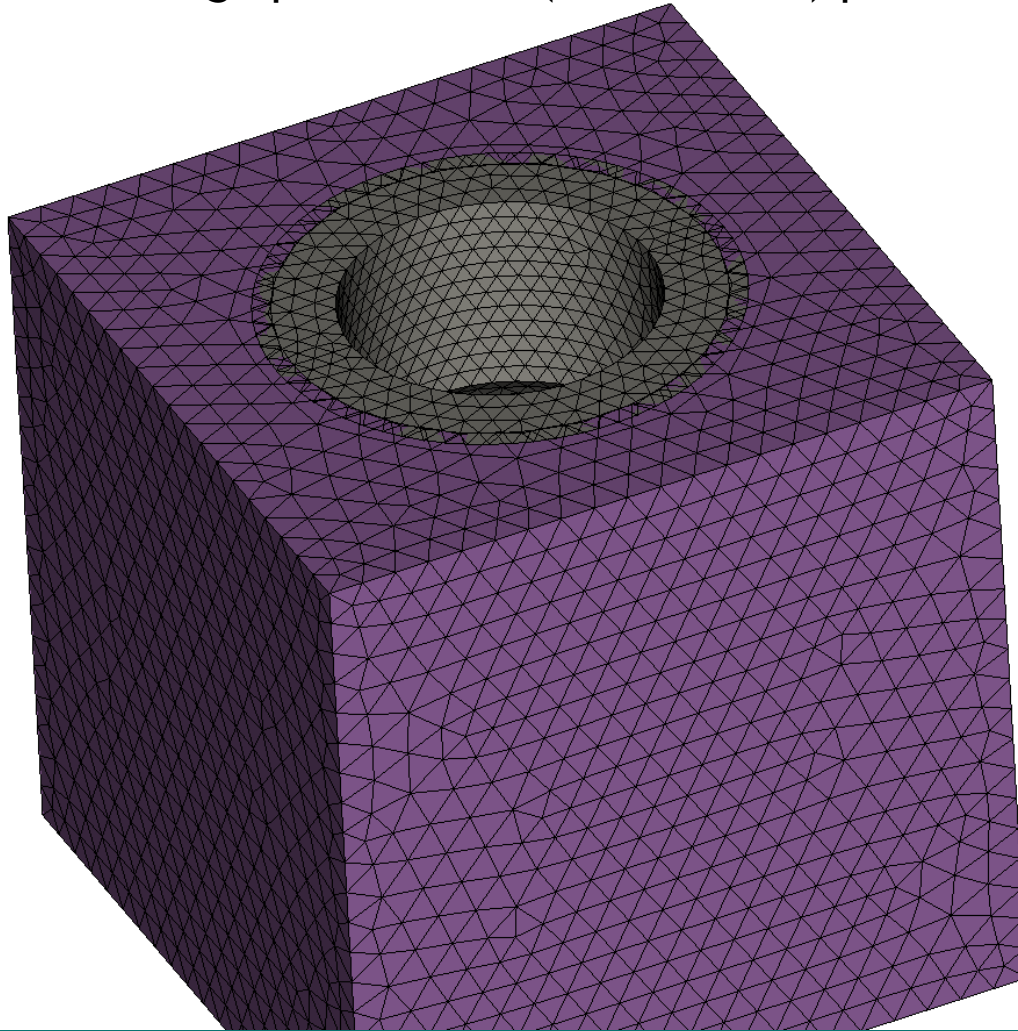
MPAR1 is the time when the press-fit should be resolved

MPAR2 is the search distance

Set IGNORE = 4 for “finite” interference

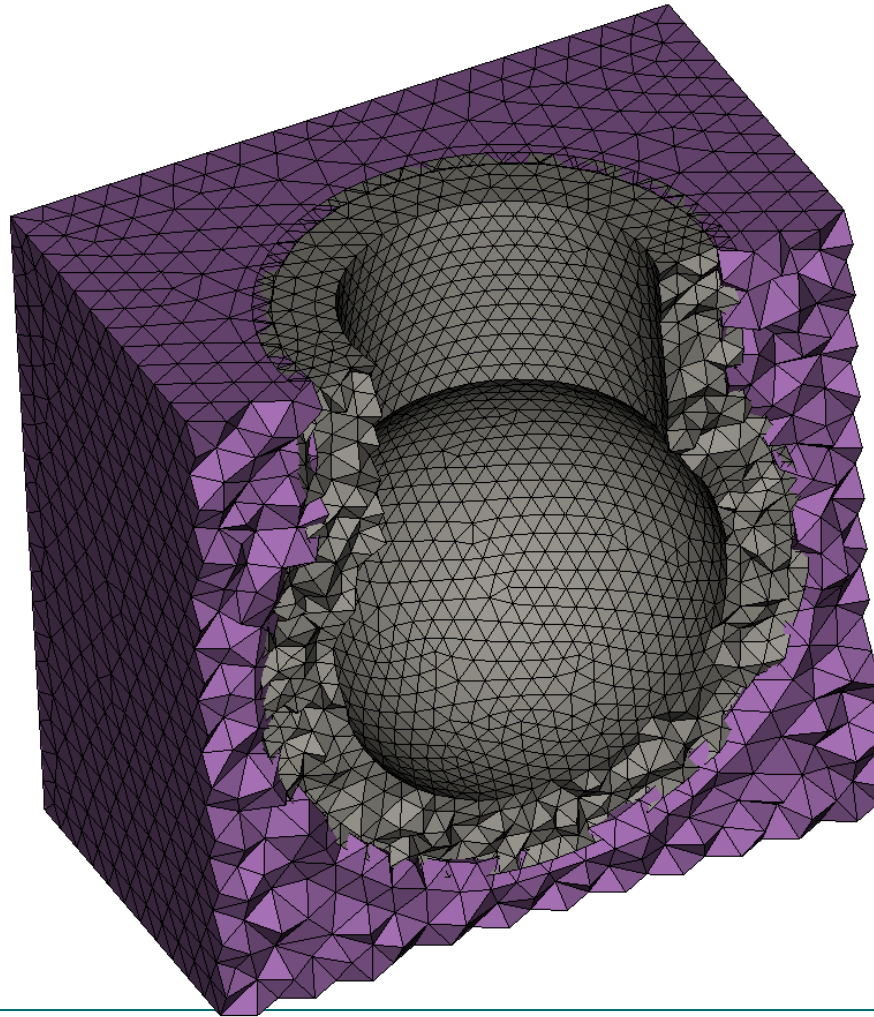
Contacts - Press-fit

- Mortar example for large penetration (*IGNORE* = 4) press-fit



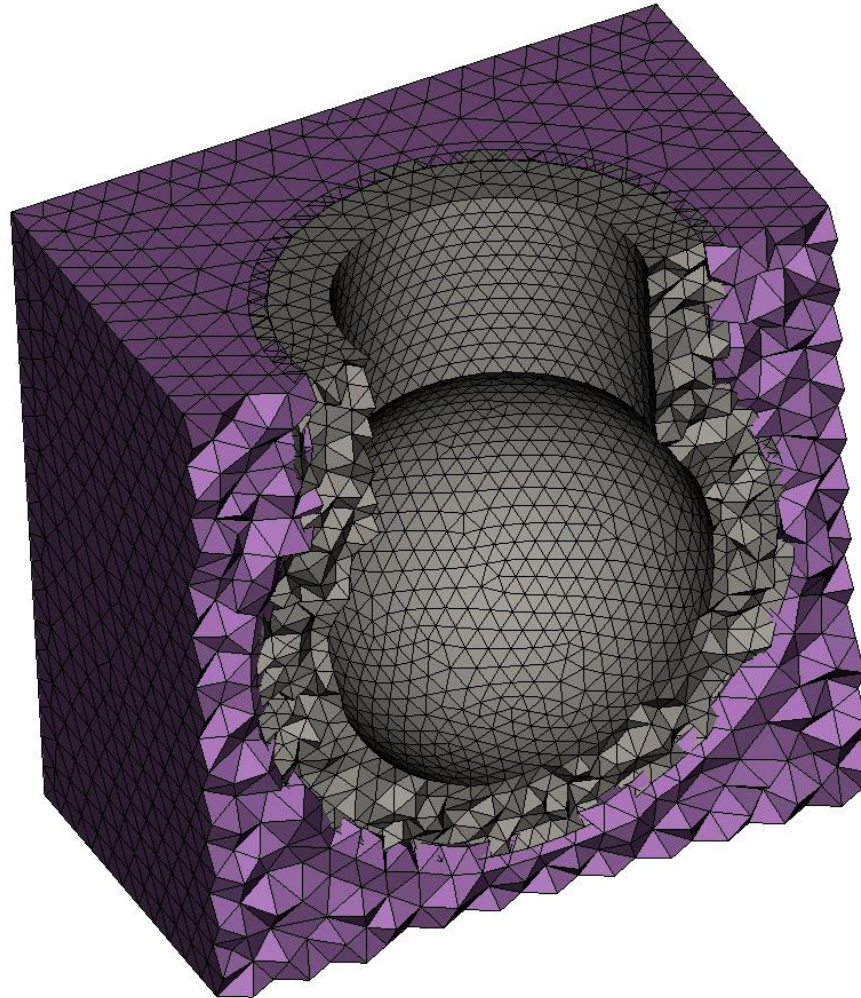
Contacts - Press-fit

- Mortar example for large penetration (*IGNORE* = 4) press-fit



Contacts - Press-fit

- Mortar example for large penetration (*IGNORE* = 4) press-fit



Press fit in contacts

- In some cases for press-fit (often finite penetrations, *IGNORE* = 4) analyses using the Mortar contact may run into (convergence) problems.
- An option to try out is then

```
*CONTACT_SURFACE_TO_SURFACE_INTERFERENCE_ID
```

```
$#      cid                                     title
      1014Bellow - locking ring

$#      ssid      msid      sstyp      mstyp      sboxid      mboxid      spr      mpr
      101         104         3         3

$#      fs         fd         dc         vc         vdc      penchk      bt      dt
      0.6

$#      sfs         sfm         sst         mst         sfst         sfmt      fsf      vsf

$#      lc1d1      lc1d2      lc1dab      maxpar      sbopt      depth      bsort      frcfrq
      0           1014

$#      soft      sofscl      lc1dab      maxpar      sbopt      depth      bsort      frcfrq

$#      penmax      thkopt      shlthk      snlog      isym      i2d3d      sldthk      sldstf
      1.0           1           2

$#      igap      ignodprfac/mpadtstif/mpar2      unused      unused      flangl      cid_rcf
      2
```

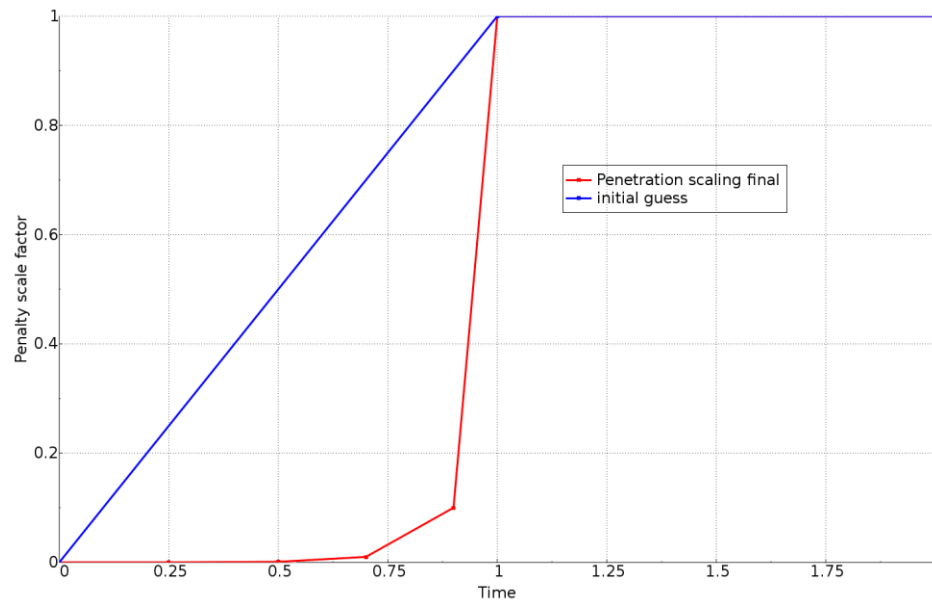
Curve for scaling penalty stiffness.
Start at (0., 0.) end at (t, 1.)

Activate shell thickness

Set *IGAP* = 2 to disable “sticky” contact

Press fit in contacts

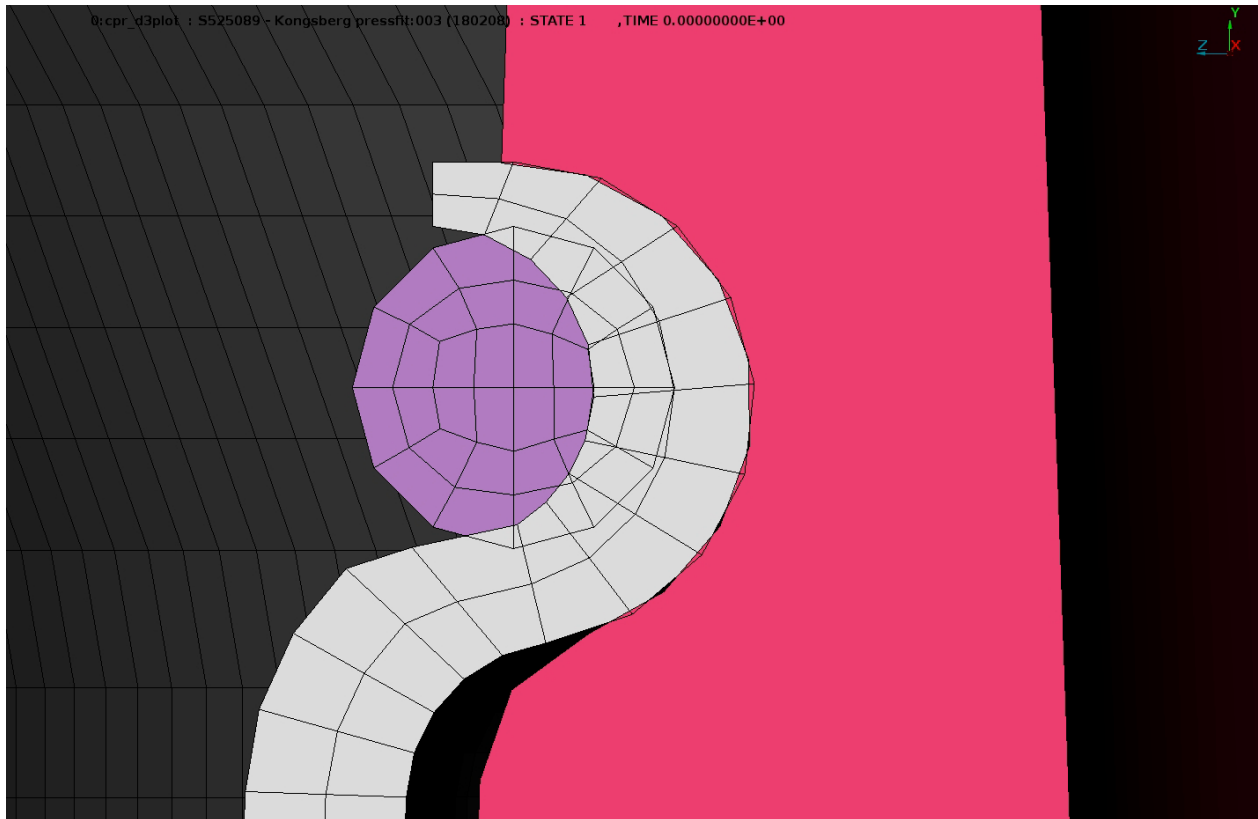
- `*CONTACT_SURFACE_TO_SURFACE_INTERFERENCE_ID`
- A curve - starting at (0., 0.) - is given for scaling the penalty stiffness up to 1.
 - May need some iterations to find the “right” curve. Start with linear ramp



- Set $IGAP = 2$ to disable “sticky” contact
- Activate shell thickness by $THKOPT = 1$, $SHLTHK = 2$
- Check orientation of shells in contact

Contacts - Press-fit

- In some cases for press-fit (often finite penetrations, IGNORE = 4) analyses using the Mortar contact may run into (convergence) problems.
- An option to try out is then
*CONTACT_SURFACE_TO_SURFACE_INTERFERENCE_ID



Press fit in contacts

- *CONTACT_AUTOMATIC_..._SURFACE_MORTAR_ID
 - Developed for implicit
 - No “sticky” option, it is always off
 - Contact surface is “moved” away until no initial penetrations exist, then “moved” back to the original position
 - Cannot be used with Dynamic Relaxation (in current versions)

- *CONTACT_..._INTERFERENCE_ID
 - Developed for explicit
 - Separate option to resolve interference in Dynamic Relaxation
 - “Sees” all penetrations. Contact stiffness is ramped up to resolve them.
 - This contact has the “sticky” option on by default. Set *IGAP* = 2 to disable.



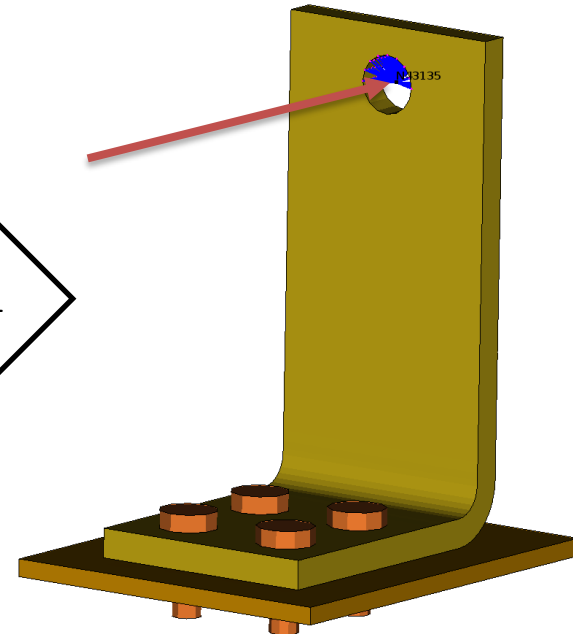
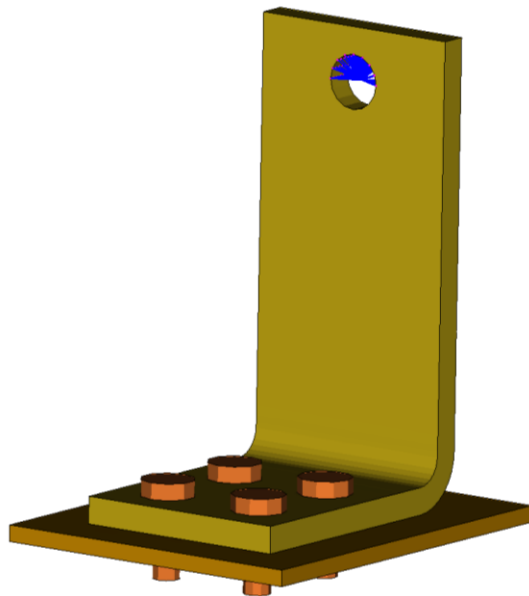
STRESS INITIALIZATION

Stress initialization

- The classical application of implicit: Springback after forming
- Use `*INTERFACE_SPRINGBACK_LSDYNA` to request `dynain` file
 - ASCII keyword format or LSDA Binary format
- LS-DYNA will output the deformed geometry and residual stresses. Keywords: `*NODE`, `*ELEMENT_...`, `*INITIAL_STRESS_...`
 - Note: Hyperelastic materials, like rubbers (`MAT_77`, `MAT_181 ...`) and foams, are initialized by `*INITIAL_FOAM_REFERENCE_GEOMETRY`
- May be useful for multi-step simulations, assembly in several steps
- May require re-pretension of bolts to obtain correct pre-tension, due to loss of information regarding contact status
- From R11.2, a binary format including contact state for Mortar contacts is available
 - Re-pretension should not be required
 - Should account for hyperelastic materials
 - Binary format under development, may be missing features

Stress initialization example

- Bolt pre-tensioning followed by loading



Step 1: Bolt pre-tension

```
*INITIAL_STRESS_SECTION  
*INTERFACE_SPRINGBACK_LSDYNA
```

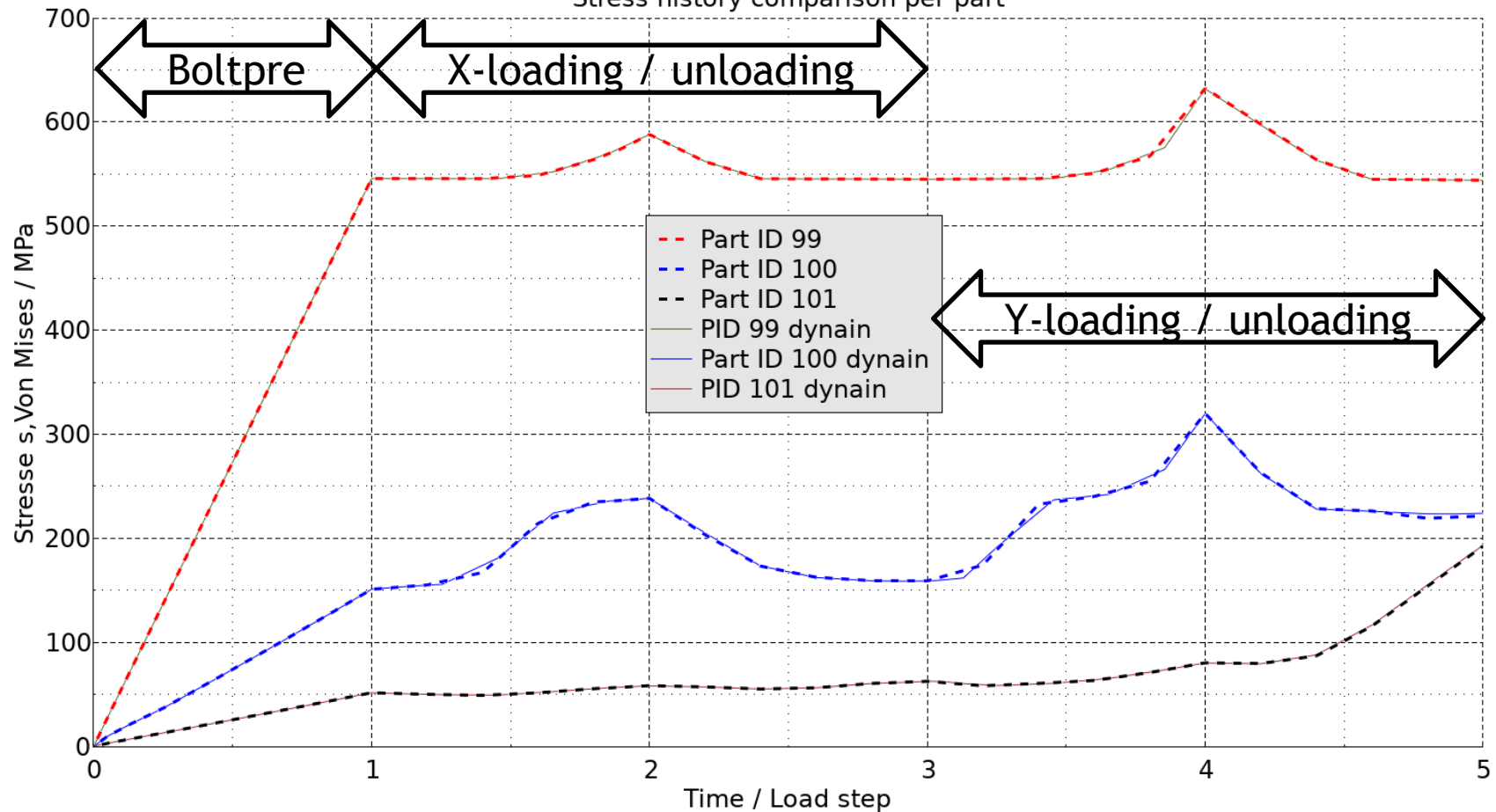
Step 2, 3: Loadings

```
*INCLUDE  
dynain.lsd  
*LOAD_NODE_SET
```

Stress initialization example

■ Bolt pre-tensioning followed by loading

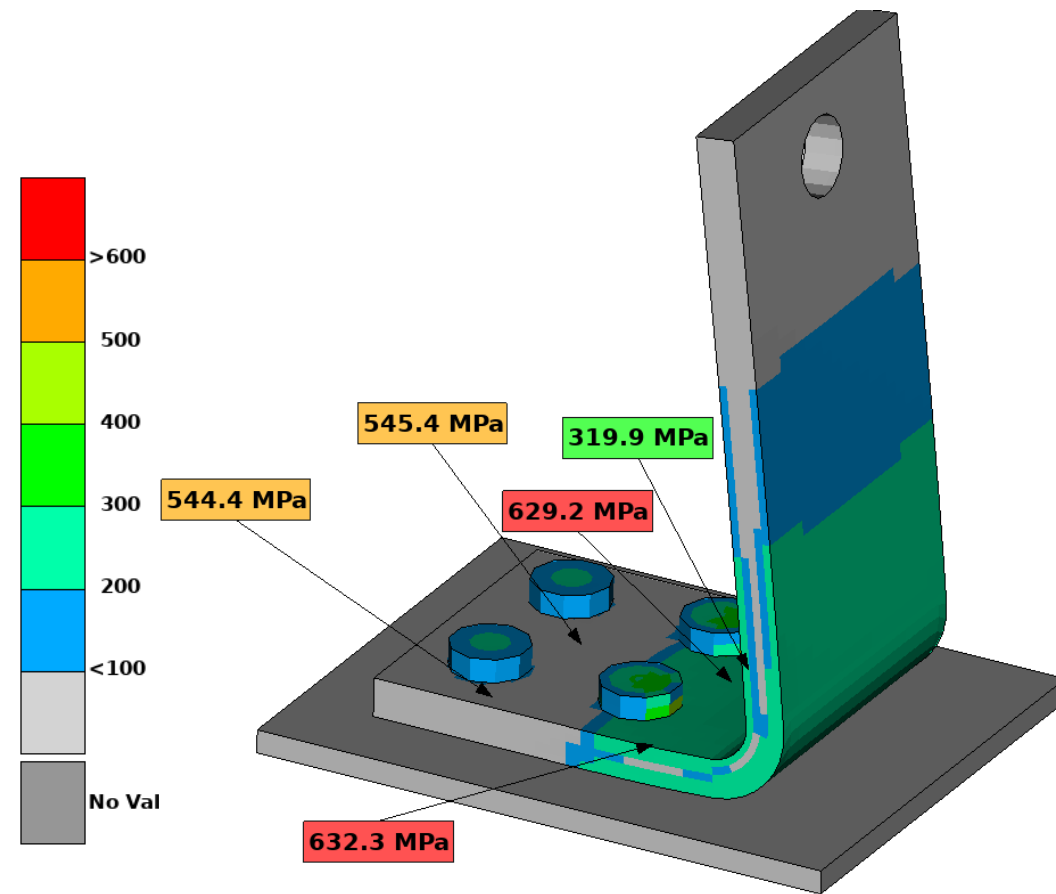
Stress history comparison per part



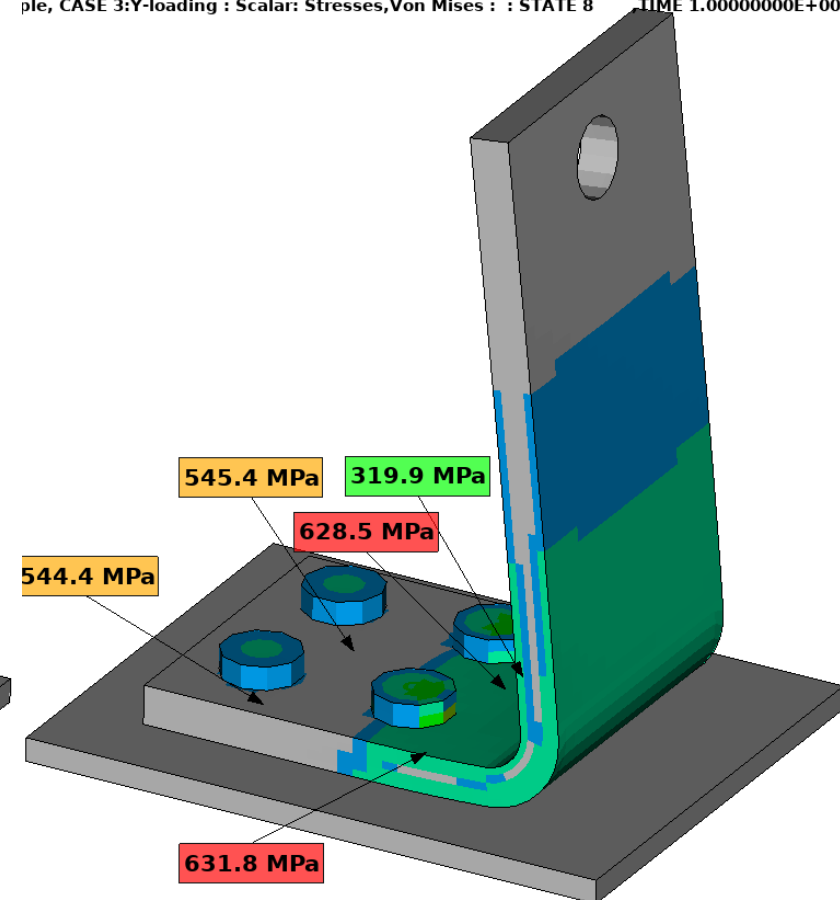
Stress history comparison: dynain.lsd w. solid lines, all-in-one with dashed

Stress initialization example

■ Stress at peak Y-loading



ple, CASE 3:Y-loading : Scalar: Stresses,Von Mises : : STATE 8 TIME 1.00000000E+00



Peak stress all-in-one

Peak stresses using dynain.lsd

Summary

- Main keywords in LS-DYNA for bolts pre-tensioning
 - `*INITIAL_AXIAL_FORCE_BEAM` for pre-tension of beam-style bolts. Applies a force. Requires a spotweld beam (elform 9) with `*MAT_SPOTWELD`. To obtain an elastic beam bolt, specify a high yield stress.
 - From R12, also beam elform 1 works.
 - `*INITIAL_STRESS_SECTON` for solid element bolts. Applies a stress. Works for the solid element formulations ± 1 , ± 2
- For press-fit in contacts, use MORTAR contact with `IGNORE = 3` (“small” penetrations) or 4 (“finite penetrations”)
 - `*CONTACT_...INTERFERENCE` may be an option in some cases for “finite” penetrations
- Stress initialization can be used in a stepwise simulation process, using `dynain` - files (`*INTERFACE_SPRINGABACK_LSDYNA`)

Thank you!

