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# Recent Developments in LS-DYNA - Part I -

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#### LS-DYNA: Tightly Coupled, Scalable Multi-Physics Solver



#### **Release Management**

Every **alternative** year LS-DYNA release will get **Long-term support** e.g. R14, R16, R18... Existing versions used in production will continue to get LTS support until discontinued. \*

We continue to release new version with new features every year.

\*Workbench Mechanical uses a pre-determined stable LTS version of LS-DYNA.

Upcoming Releases							
LS-DYNA R12.2.2	LTS release	Service Pack	August 2024				
LS-DYNA R13.2	LTS release	Service Pack	Q4 2024				
LS-DYNA R14.1	LTS release	Service Pack	Q4 2024				
LS-DYNA R16.0	LTS release	New Release	2025 R1				



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## New features and enhancements in LS-DYNA R16

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# Airbag methods

CPG, CPM, S-ALE

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## History of airbag methods

- CV (Control Volume)
  - Simple pressure, too simple for deployment phase
- ALE (Arbiratry Lagrangian Eulerian)
  - Higher accuracy, but CPU intense and difficult to handle
- CPM (Corpuscular Particle Method)
  - Considers the effect of transient gas dynamics and thermodynamics by using a particle to represent a set of finite air or gas molecules
  - Current state-of-the-art: fast and robust
  - Hits accuracy limits for complex gas flows as observed in curtain airbags, for instance





Need for a more sophisticated approach

## Introducing CPG: A New CFD Approach to Airbag Deployment

- Continuum-based Particle Gas (CPG): Particle method solving Navier-Stokes equations
- Innovative CFD method particularly well-suited for airbag deployment simulations
- Superior accuracy for complex gas flows, as seen in curtain airbags
- Validation studies with multiple partners
- Brand new solver First release R16
- New keyword \*AIRBAG\_CPG





#### Introducing CPG: A New CFD Approach to Airbag Deployment

- Ongoing collaboration with Toyoda Gosei Co., Ltd to validate method and implementation
- Custom-made experimental setup to accelerate development
- The goal is to reduce the need for numerical tuning; this requires:
  - Good fabric material characterization
  - Excellent measurement of the inflator characteristics



Experimental data courtesy of Toyoda Gosei Co., Ltd. Numerical model courtesy of JSOL Corporation.



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## Introducing CPG: A New CFD Approach to Airbag Deployment

Bringing airbag deployment simulations to new levels of predictive accuracy.



Model and experimental testing courtesy of JSOL Corporation.







- 1. IAIR=4, front deployed faster than the rear
- 2. Use CPG (less tuning) to create the base run
- Based on the CPG results, new CPM (more tuning) feature (IAIR=6) is implemented for better kinematics



## \*AIRBAG\_SALE: Reviving ALE Airbag Deployment

#### • Three obstacles ALE airbags had

- Contact locking: Bag segments from different chambers stuck and locked
- Narrow bag gap: Gas flow constrained; bag opening slowed
- Speed: ALE formulation high cost. More than several days.
- \*AIRBAG\_SALE: airbag capability reimplemented in S-ALE
  - Anti Contact Locking: ILOCK option prevents chambers getting close.
  - Gas Front Segment Pre-opening: ILVL/DECAY option to pre-open segments ahead of gas front.
  - Faster: MPP efficiency and scalability. ~ a day.
  - User-friendly: A single wrapper keyword generating many S-ALE keywords.



#### \*AIRBAG\_SALE: Reviving ALE Airbag Deployment

Simple \*AIRBAG\_SALE model. Time = 0



#### A simple moving airbag



ILOCK on: Locking prevented

\*AIRBAG\_SALE, a centralized wrapper, holds all information to automatically generate general S-ALE keywords.

\*ALE\_STRUCTURED\_MESH with \_MOTION, ALE mesh to follow and expand to cover the moving airbag.

Two bags Colliding Contact Locking



ILOCK off: Bags locked, FSI failed



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## Contacts

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#### Modular Contact

Goal

- Better performance and scalability harnessing modern CPU & GPU architectures
- Simpler keyword input for different contact definition
- Friction, failure, and other options will be available across all contact types

Current status

- New implementation of existing SOFT=0/1 contact (SOFT=2 in progress)
- Same keyword-input. Only difference: enabled by setting SOFT=10/11
- Currently supported CONTACT keywords:
  - AUTOMATIC\_SINGLE\_SURFACE, AUTOMATIC\_GENERAL[\_INTERIOR][\_EDGE\_ONLY], SINGLE\_EDGE
  - AUTOMATIC\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE
  - AUTOMATIC\_ONE\_WAY\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE, AUTOMATIC\_NODES\_TO\_SURFACE



## **Preliminary Performance Results**

- Car-2-car crash:
  - $\sim$ 10M elements per car
  - Two single-surface contacts with MC; surface-to-surface still "groupable"
  - Execution on 6 compute nodes, 44 cores each (264 cores overall)
  - => Contact time reduced from 1h38m27s to 1h01m03s (reduction by ~38%)
- Impact on woven textile fabric:
  - Small test example (~14k beams)
  - Mainly beam-to-beam contact
  - Execution on single node, single core
  - => Contact time reduced from 67s to 27s (reduction by ~60%)







#### Beam elements in segment-to-segment contacts

#### • SOFT=2

- has checked contact between shell elements, solid elements and thick shell elements for the past 23 years
- New in R16 is the addition of beam elements and discrete beam elements
  - Checks beam-to-beam, beam-to-shell, beam-to-solid, and beam-to-thick shell
  - Works with all keyword options that segment-to-segment contact supports
  - The interface must include edge-edge checking: DEPTH=5, DEPTH=15, DEPTH=35, DEPTH=55
  - Beams are assumed to have rectangular cross sections \_

#### Solid impactor penetrates woven fabric modeled by beam elements





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#### Constrained Tied Contacts and Selective Mass Scaling

- Up to now only partially supported with SMS
  - Offset treatments requires the correct kinematic assumptions to be incorporated into the momentum equations, this used to be treated in an ad-hoc manner
- Complexity in models often require that the segment side of different tied contact interfaces share nodes
  - This requires a "groupable" treatment of tied contacts, meaning that all are processed at once, but SMS is using the "non-groupable" branch
- New option **TIEOPT** on **\***CONTROL\_CONTACT to address both shortcomings
  - For SMS, this option is mandatory, implying that all combinations of tied contacts are properly supported

## Constrained Tied Contacts and Selective Mass Scaling

#### • Setting TIEOPT=1 (or using SMS) will result in

- SMP and MPP tied contacts are the same, and will find the same node/segment pairs
- The segment sides of different contact interfaces are allowed to share nodes
- The SHELL\_EDGE\_TO\_SOLID\_CONSTRAINED\_OFFSET option becomes available
- The kinematic properties (translations and/or rotations) of the nodes involved are accounted for, automatically "degrading" a tied contact when there is no sense in processing rotational DOF, or change the way rotational DOF are constrained



- Setting TIEOPT=2 will result in
  - Everything above, but the SHELL\_EDGE\_TO\_SURFACE will internally be converted to a SHELL\_EDGE\_TO\_SOLID option, justified by the hypothesis that avoiding rotational DOF on the segment side will increase robustness



## **Constrained Tied Contacts and Selective Mass Scaling**

- Two simple models for verification
  - Solid cohesive spotweld tied to shell panels
  - Shell panels tied to shell spotweld



- Six runs for each model
  - Constrained offset tied contacts combining
    - NODES\_TO\_SURFACE, SHELL\_EDGE\_TO\_SURFACE, and SHELL\_EDGE\_TO\_SOLID
    - Using one and two interfaces for the tie
- Monitoring energy balance and kinematic behavior





## **Thermal Contact Enhancements**

#### Single surface contact definition made available for simplified preprocessing

- Using the example of thermal runaway in battery packs
- Instead of ~100 surface to surface contacts, 1 single surface contact will suffice

#### • Thermal edge contact available

- Works for single surface as well as single surface contact
- Also developed in the context of battery packs
- Only if the underlying contact is mortar





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# Material models

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## \*MAT\_RRR\_POLYMER/\*MAT\_317

- New material model for thermoplastics
  - Developed in collaboration with IKEA
  - Handles impact, stress relaxation, and material recovery
  - Builds on the rheologic network framework, containing three links with springs and dampers



Both springs and dampers are functions of strain; allows improvements without adding more links

 Requires 24 material parameters, and a sophisticated parameter fit





#### Kinderhocker FÖRSIKTIG



#### Basic incremental failure (BIF)

- Easy-to-use incremental failure model
  - Requiring only tensile test for calibration
  - Ideal to get good failure modeling when material data is scarce
  - It works for shell and solid elements (triaxiality and Lode parameter dependence)





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## Glass strength prediction model

- Available as \*MAT\_GLASS\_SPM
  - Monte-Carlo based fracture initiation predictor
  - combines the theories of linear elastic fracture mechanics (LEFM) and sub-critical crack growth (SCG)
  - generates a representative sample of virtual glass plates which are monitored during the simulation
  - GSPM predicts tensile strength, initiation location, and initiation time for the 1<sup>st</sup> crack, then \*MAT\_280 takes over for crack propagation
  - Model details and calibration procedure for new parameters described in Rudshaug et al. (2023)







## Glass strength prediction model

- Capabilities of the new method
  - Can describe the probabilistic fracture behavior of glass and SCG
  - Predicts the strength of glass plates of various geometries exposed to many different load cases
  - User can select a representative case of a glass plate fracture strength simply by altering the failure percentile parameter
  - Example: windshield impact





## \*MAT\_COMPOSITE\_TABULATED\_PLASTICITY\_DAMAGE V1.3.7

#### \*MAT\_213 features

 orthotropic, visco-elastic-plastic material with temperature and rate dependencies, damage, failure, and probabilistic analysis

#### • New in R16

- Thick shells, Tsai-Wu Failure Criterion tied to postpeak damage curve, enhanced input check, improved error messages, and updated User Guide



Bird Strike on Rotorcraft Fuselage Structure at NASA-GRC



Simulations at NASA-GRC





Simulations of NASA-GRC High Velocity Impact Tests at ASU MAT\_213 Project: ASU, OSU, GMU, FAA, NASA, Honda, Ansys



Simulations of low velocity crush testing at Honda NA



## Deep Material Network (DMN)

- DMN: AI method for multiscale analysis of fiber-reinforced composites
- New in R16: Moldex3D ~ LS-Dyna simulation workflow enhanced for multi-component injection molded products
- New in R16: \*MAT\_303 is extended to offer multiscale anisotropic failure prediction for short-fiber composites



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#### Enhancements for curves

- \*DEFINE\_CURVE uses internal rediscretization (equally spaced points) since many years
  - Until 2007: 100 points per curve
  - 2007-2015: global LCINT on \*CONTROL\_SOLUTION
  - Since 2015: curve specific LCINT possible (but memory still set by max. LCINT)
- Now from 2025 (R16): new storage scheme
  - Significant memory reduction, particularly when different curves have different values of LCINT
  - Evaluating these curves is also more efficient
  - Changes necessary for user materials



#### e.g. 10,000 curves with mostly LCINT=1000 + a few with LCINT=5000

OLD  $\approx$  200 megawords (800 MB in single prec.) NEW  $\approx$  10 megawords (40 MB in single prec.)



## Reference configuration treatment

#### • \*NODE\_REFERENCE

- Nodal coordinates in a reference configuration
- \*ELEMENT\_SOLID/SHELL\_REFERENCE
  - Connectivities of elements "of interest"
    - The EID corresponds to the same EID in the \*ELEMENT\_... list of elements
    - The N1,... references nodes in the \*NODE\_REFERENCE list and *not* the ones in \*NODE
- Whenever an \*ELEMENT\_SOLID/SHELL\_REFERENCE is present in an input deck, this will be taken as the reference configuration of this element, overriding any other option
- Provides a seamless approach to dealing with hyperelasticity in a dynain context





#### Rubber test



#### End of first simulation



#### Beginning of second simulation



- A rubber cube with \*MAT\_BLATZ-KO is deformed according to above, after which a dynain file is written
- A second simulation just holds it in place

- "All" combinations of FMATRX, FTYPE, including second simulation running both explicit and implicit
  - A total of 32 cases
- All cases provide the correct stress state at the beginning of the second simulation



#### New concept of external variables - Introduction

- New keyword \*LOAD\_EXTERNAL\_VARIABLE defines temporally varying spatial distribution of an external variable field
  - e.g., moisture, state-of-charge, carbon content, absorbed hydrogen, ...
  - Direct, tabular input per node or node set (curve)
  - Result data from a previous run interpreted as external variable (LSDA file)
- External variable distribution used to modify
  - Thermal material properties in \*MAT\_T08 and \*MAT\_T10
  - Structural material properties in \*MAT\_106 and \*MAT\_251
  - Phase change parameters in \*MAT\_254
  - Volume of a part with \*MAT\_ADD\_EXTVAR\_EXPANSION



## New concept of external variables – Case hardening example

- Heating of a steel specimen in an oven with a carbonaceous environment
  - Austenitization in the material (due to heating)
  - Diffusion of carbon into the material (using temperature as external variable)



 Carbon concentration locally improves martensite formation
 Result w/o carburization

Details: T. Klöppel@14:25 (KLEINER SAAL)











# Miscellaneous

Cables, Connections, Rigid bodies, Autodyn

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## Simplified electric cable modeling with \*DEFINE\_CABLE

- Simple creation and analysis of electric cables for modeling wire failure in vehicle crash
  - Automatic creation of cables from beam elements
  - Final cables can be a mix of solids/shells/beams
  - Links cross-section data to each original beam element
- Data available in binout (\*DATABASE\_CABLE)
  - Compression (contact) force
  - Cross-section area
- Data summary available in ASCII-file
  - Time and location for maximum compression force and minimum cross-section area for each cable and for whole model



#### Data summary

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## Enhancements for SPR2/SPR3 connectors

\*MAT\_100

SPR3

 $f = \left(\frac{\sigma_n}{\sigma_n^F}\right)^{m_n} + \left(\frac{\sigma_b}{\sigma_h^F}\right)^{m_b} + \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau^F}\right)^{m_\tau} - 1$ 

Details: M.Hübner@14:45

- Optional failure criterion (SPR3)
  - Force-based criterion developed to simplify transition from \*MAT\_SPOTWELD  $f_c = \left(\frac{\langle f_n \rangle}{\text{FFN}}\right)^{\text{EXFC}} + \left(\frac{m_b}{\text{FFB}}\right)^{\text{EXFC}} + \left(\frac{f_t + \text{MFSFC} \bullet m_t}{\text{FFS}}\right)^{\text{EXFC}} - 1$
- New search method (SPR2 & SPR3)
  - Sometimes better in difficult mesh conditions
- Added viscous damping (SPR3)
  - Reduces high-frequency noise
- New option STIFF2<0 (SPR3)
  - Load curve input for shear stiffness vs load angle: allows better fit of elastic mixed mode response
- Add TITLE option (SPR2 & SPR3)
  - This is used as the part title/name of the visualization beams





## Rigid Body Constraint in Arbitrary Point

- Until now, constraints (applied through |CMO| = 1) and prescribed motion have always been translated to act in the center of gravity of a rigid body.
- By setting |CMO| = 2, the constraints or prescribed motion of the rigid body can be applied in a user specified coordinate.
- This enhancement is available also for nodal rigid bodies.





- Simulating the closing of body closures is done with rigid bodies, rotating at the hinges.
- Before update, the only way to achieve this was using \_INERTIA to set the center of gravity at the hinges.
   However, this changes the physical properties and will not lead to accurate results.



## Ansys Autodyn<sup>®</sup>: Enablement within LS-DYNA Solver

- Explicit analysis software with particular strength in simulating explosives
- Selected Autodyn solver technology available inside LS-DYNA solver as \*EFV\_...
  - EFV = Euler Finite Volume
  - 2 solvers: Multi-Material-Euler (2D,3D) and Euler-FCT (2D,3D)
- Allows coupling with LS-DYNA structures
- LS-DYNA ALE results can be used in subsequent EFV simulations
- Accessible via Ansys LS-DYNA or LSTC LS-DYNA
   -> no separate license needed
- Exposure inside LS-PrePost and Keyword Manual



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# SPG/ISPG

(Incompressible) Smooth Particle Galerkin

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## MPP SPG Particle-to-Surface Contact Algorithm

- R16 introduces MPP version for SPG particle-to-surface contact algorithm developed in R15 SMP
  - Unique contact algorithm for the stability and accuracy in SPG simulation.
  - Improved efficiency in large-scale problems.



Collaboration with Ansys ACE (Ram Gopisetti, Amit Nair, Alex Rycman)

## SPG Failure Simulation in Orthotropic Wood Materials

- R16 SPG can model orthotropic wood material (\*MAT\_WOOD\_PINE)
  - Wood material properties vary with orientation.
  - SPG bond failure does not rely on continuum damage mechanics (CDM) and element erosion, thus the conservation of system mass and momentum.



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## ISPG for Adhesive Fluid Dispensing and Dispersing

- Adhesive dispensing technique: auto, electronics, high-tech, biomedical and pharmaceutical industries
- Full-implicit high-viscous non-Newtonian ISPG fluid can be used to model this process
  - New adaptive refinement scheme to handle the fluid thinning effect
  - Including chemical reagents, biological fluids, and industrial adhesive fluids (epoxy, silicone, solder paste, ...)



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## MPP ISPG for Solder Bridging Defect Prediction

- Solder bridging defect is one of main soldering issues in Ball Grid Array (BGA) chip packaging
- R16 implicit ISPG introduces the MPP version for large-scale solder bridging defect prediction





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# LS-OPT and LS-TaSC

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## Recent Developments in LS-OPT

- Metamodels: <u>Method of Optimal Prognosis (MOP)</u>
  - Integrated from optiSLang
    - $\rightarrow$  automatically selects the best metamodel
- Twin Builder interface
  - LS-DYNA ROM coupling: preparation of LS-DYNA output to generate ROM with Twin Builder
  - Twin Builder as low fidelity solver for LS-OPT tasks

12:15, STUDIO VI **LS-OPT Pro: Status and Outlook** 



#### Metamodel performance comparison: Frontal crash



#### New Features in LS-TaSC

- Multidisciplinary design optimization for shell thickness
  - for combination of impact, static, and NVH load cases
- User customization
  - responses / FE model editing / design procedures
- User-defined load cases
  - import results from other analysis software (i.e., Ansys Mechanical, MSC Nastran, ...)
- Minimum/maximum feature size controlling
  - mega-castings to integrate with energy absorption

14:45, STUDIO II Overview of LS-TaSC and New Feature Highlights



Shell thickness design of a clamped plate for static (stiffest structure) and NVH (max. fundamental frequency) load cases.



Design evolution of a rear torque box for energy absorption casting together with the minimum & maximum feature size controlling, which prevents the holes from casting.





# PyDYNA



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#### PyDYNA V0.5.0 Released

• Pythonic package for providing a convenient and complete way to

- build input deck, submit it to the LS-DYNA solver, and finally postprocess the results
- PyDYNA contains two submodules

#### ansys.dyna.core.pre

Highly abstracted APIs for creating and setting up DYNA input decks. Supports many classes:
DynaMech, DynaIGA, DynaICFD, DynaSALE,
DynaEM, DynaNVH, DynaMaterial, ...
→ used to generate LS-DYNA keywords.

#### ansys.dyna.core.solver

API to interact directly with the LS-DYNA solver. Service provides a way to push input files to the solver, monitor the state of the running job, change the value of a load curve, and finally retrieve result files back from the server.

#### Documentation and Examples: <u>https://dyna.docs.pyansys.com/version/stable/</u>

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