

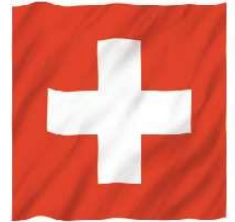




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- What's New: - PTC Creo Simulate 1.0  
- PTC Creo Simulate 2.0
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- Live-Demos: - Mechanism-Connections  
- Connections with Stiffness (e.g. Roller-Bearing)
- Questions

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## What's New: PTC Creo Simulate 1.0

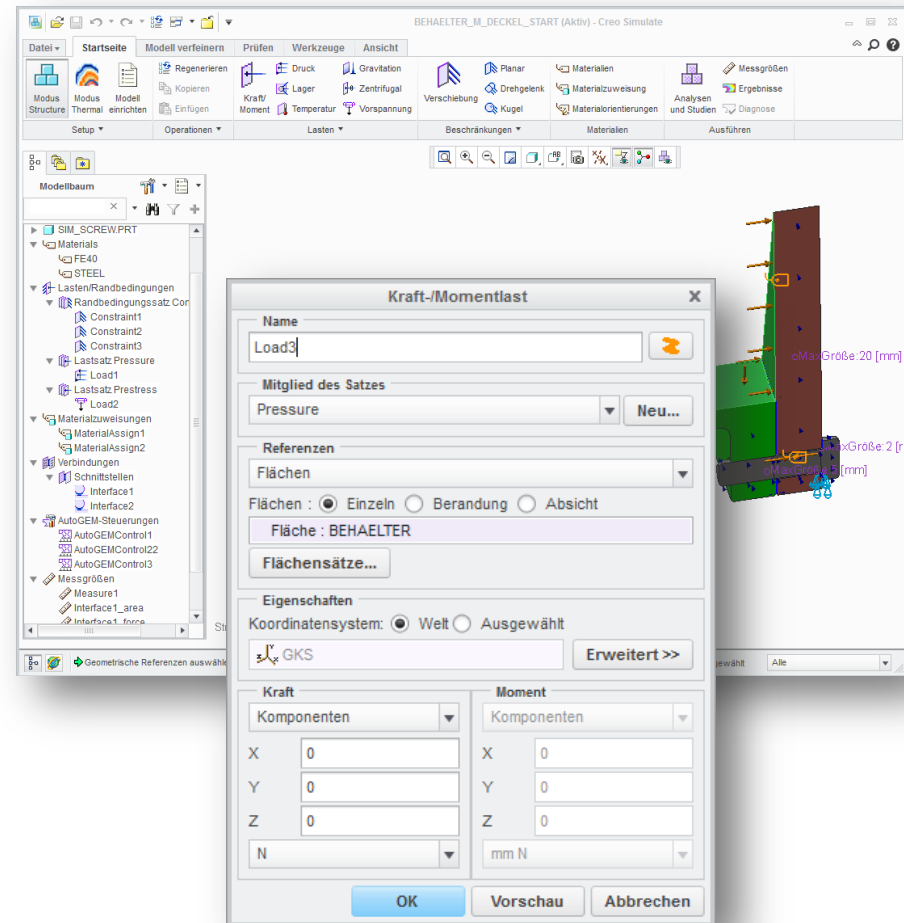
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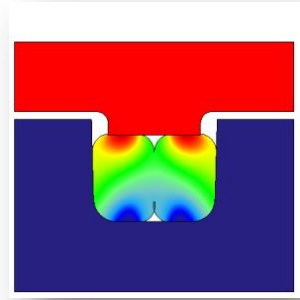
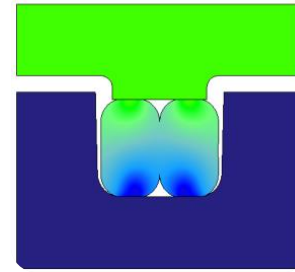
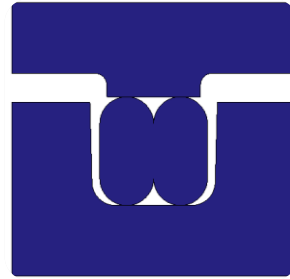


- > PTC Creo Simulate Standalone
- > Ribbon UI
- > Unit Support on all dialogs / Results
- > Moments/Rotations active when valid
- > Distributed Batch Support
- > Process Guide Template editor
- > 3D icons for loads, constraints
- > Mesh display in exploded view



## > General Large Displacement Analysis:

- Contacts
- Plasticity
- Hyper-Elasticity



## > Nonlinear Thermal Analysis:

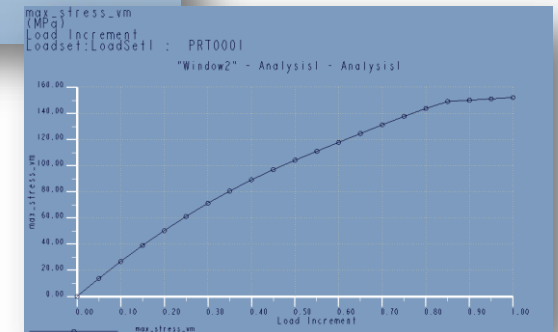
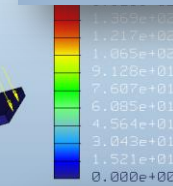
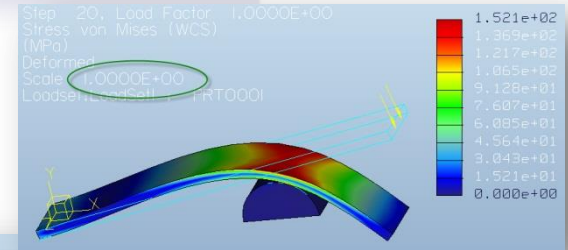
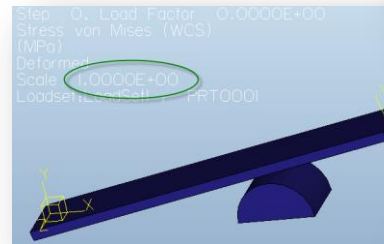
- Temperature Dependent Conductivity
- Generalized Convection Conditions
- Radiation Conditions

## > Modeling of nonlinear springs

## > Ordering of nonlinear loads

## > 2D axi-symmetric LDA

## > Modeling of UCS constraints in LDA





## > Moving Heat Loads:

- Heat loads as combined functions of time and space
- Heat loads on composite curves
- Heat Loads as functions of arc length

## > Generalized modeling of Total Volume Heat Load

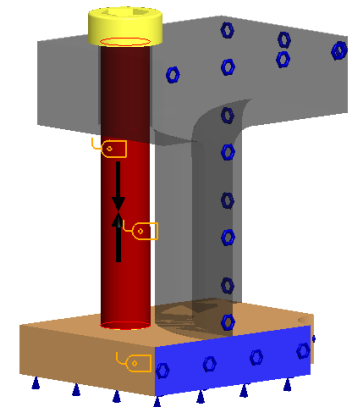
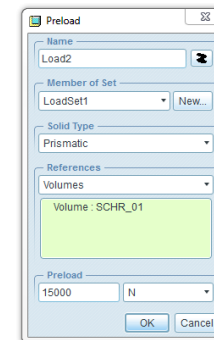
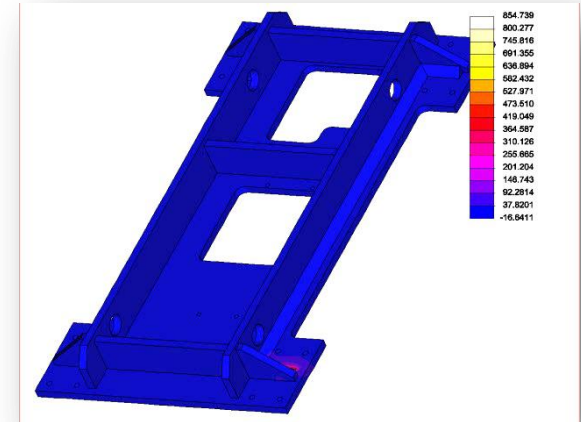
## > Base Excitation Enhancements:

- Different histories in different directions
- Linear and rotational motion of the supports
- Support  $G^2/Hz$  units of PSDs

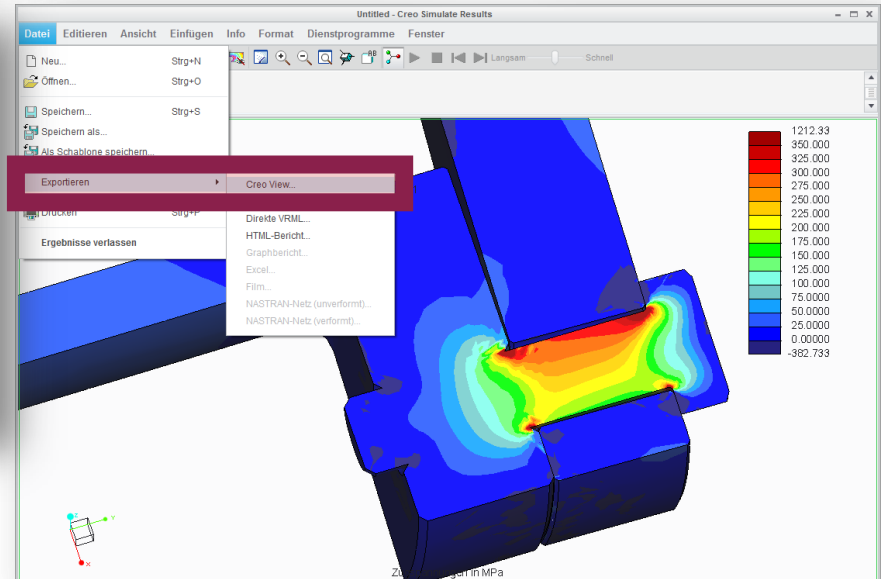
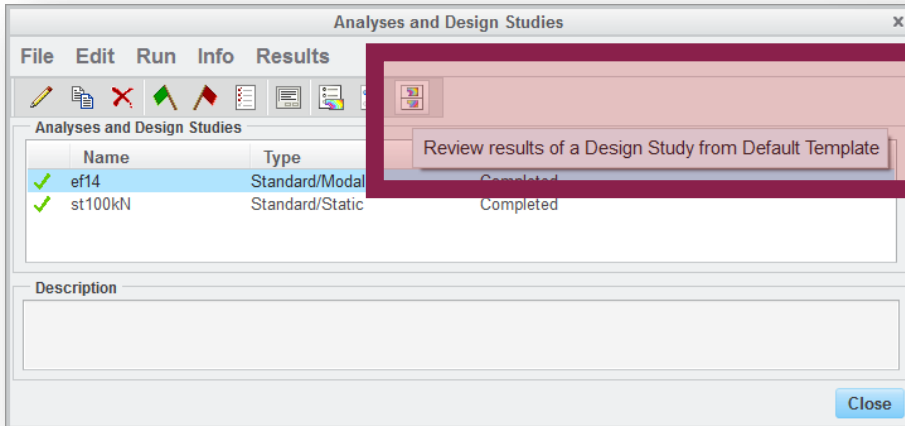
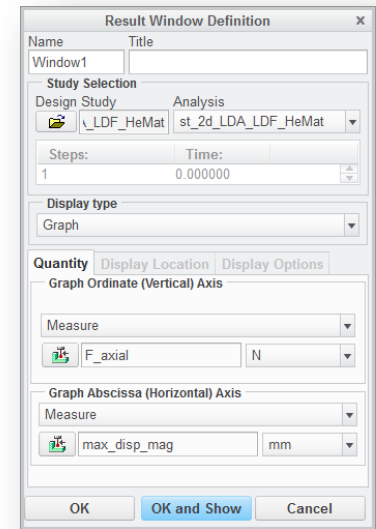
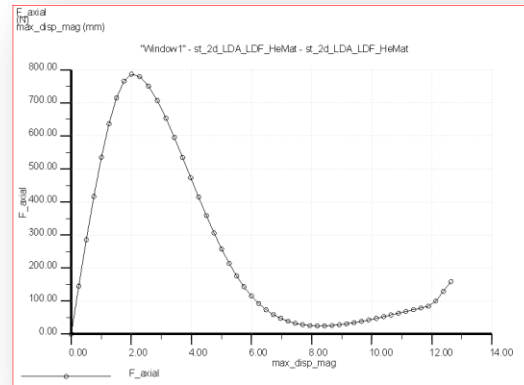
## > Calculation of von Mises stress results in Random Analyses

## > Preload on bolts modeled as solids

## > Modeling of variable thickness shells



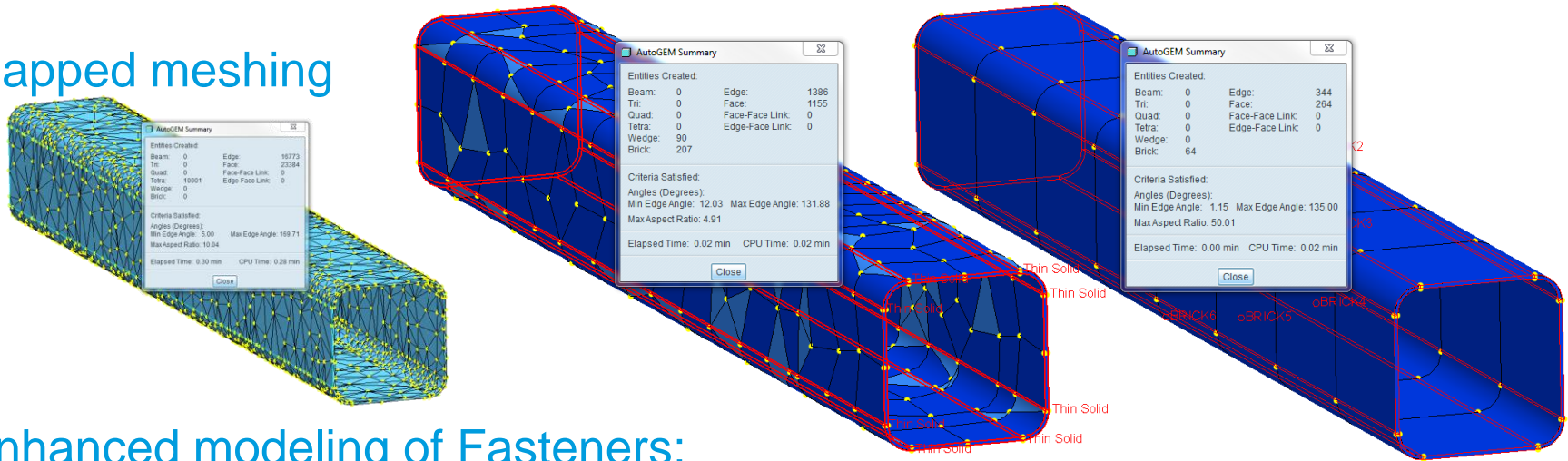
- > Animation of Dynamic Frequency results
- > Measure vs. Measure graphs
- > Animation on cutting planes
- > Default Result templates
- > Output to PTC Creo View







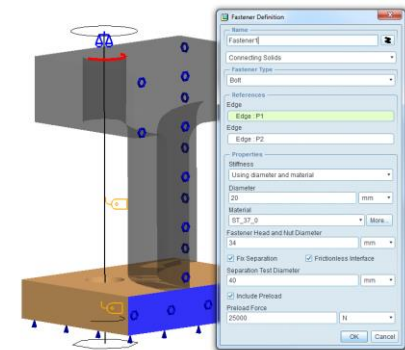
- > Ability to mesh thin regions with bricks and wedges
- > Ability to mesh prismatic regions with bricks and wedges
- > Mapped meshing



- > Enhanced modeling of Fasteners:
  - More accurate modeling of interface between bolted components
  - Modeling of bending and torsion effects
  - New measure calculations

> Filtering of negative Buckling Factors

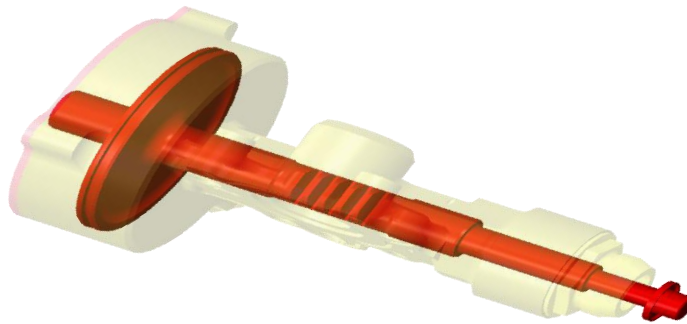
> Increased solver memory





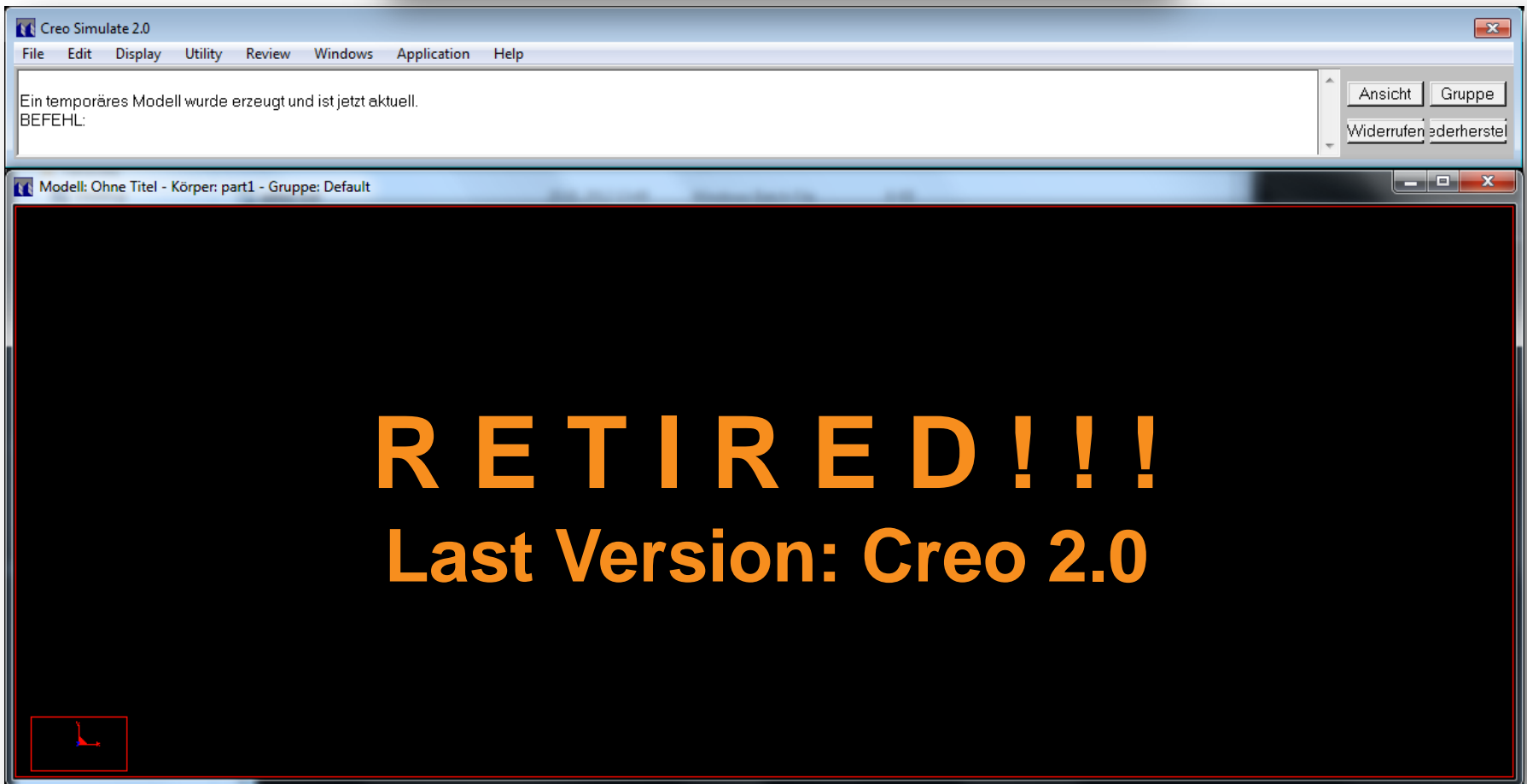
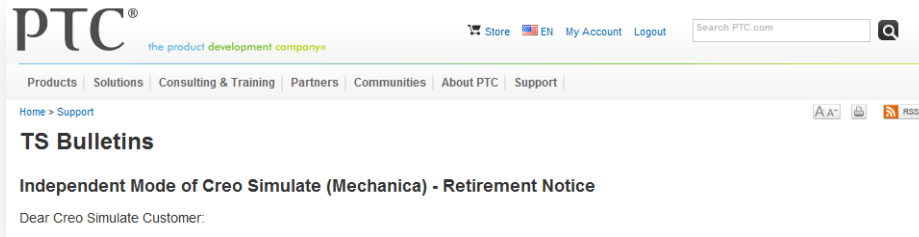
## What's New: PTC Creo Simulate 2.0

- > Temperature History as Load of Nonlinear Static Analysis
- > Lightweight Assembly Representations in Creo Simulate
- > Online Help Links in Diagnostics
- > Speedup of Dynamic Analysis Calculations
- > General Performance Tuning



The screenshot displays three overlapping windows from the PTC Creo Simulate software interface:

- Diagnostics : AutoGEM Mesh**: A window showing simulation diagnostics for AutoGEM. It contains a table with columns for 'Source' and 'Ig...'. The table lists several items, including 'The highlighted part AutoGEM' and 'Part : PRT0002'. Below the table, there is a text box explaining that AutoGEM will not create elements for the model due to missing material properties, surfaces, or curves. A 'Close' button is visible at the bottom.
- Help Center**: A window showing the 'creo' logo and a search bar. The left sidebar contains a tree view of help topics, with 'About Material Assignment' selected.
- About Material Assignment**: A help page titled 'About Material Assignment' providing instructions on how to assign material to 2D and 3D models, including details on material orientation, structural constraints, and thermal loads.

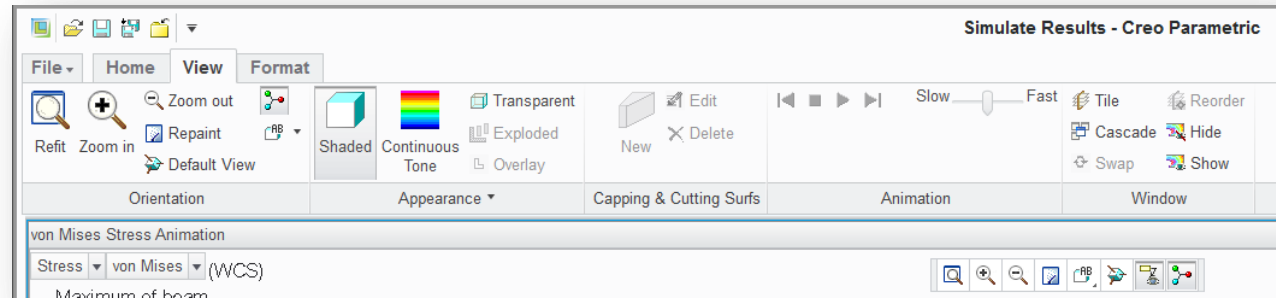




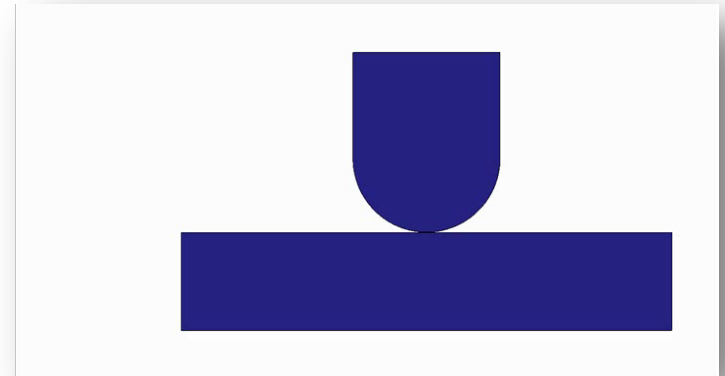
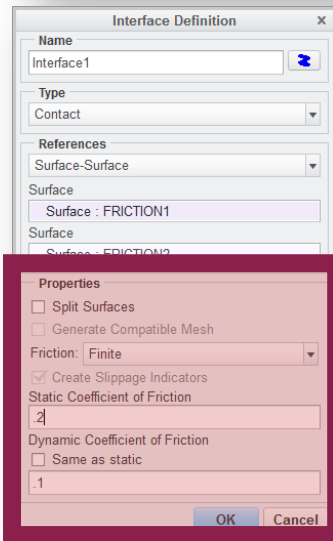
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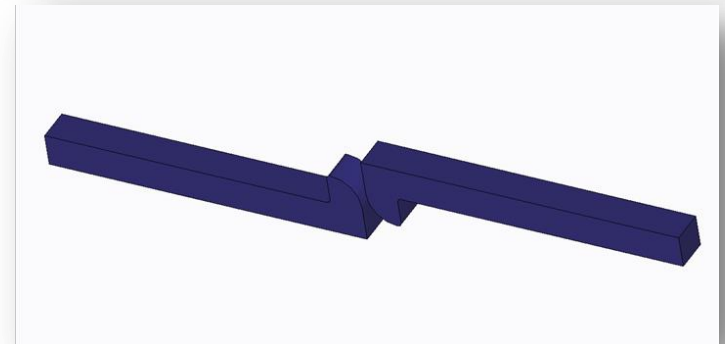
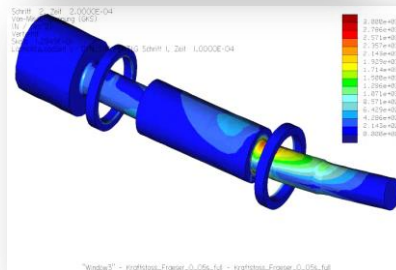
> New Ribbon-based UI for Results



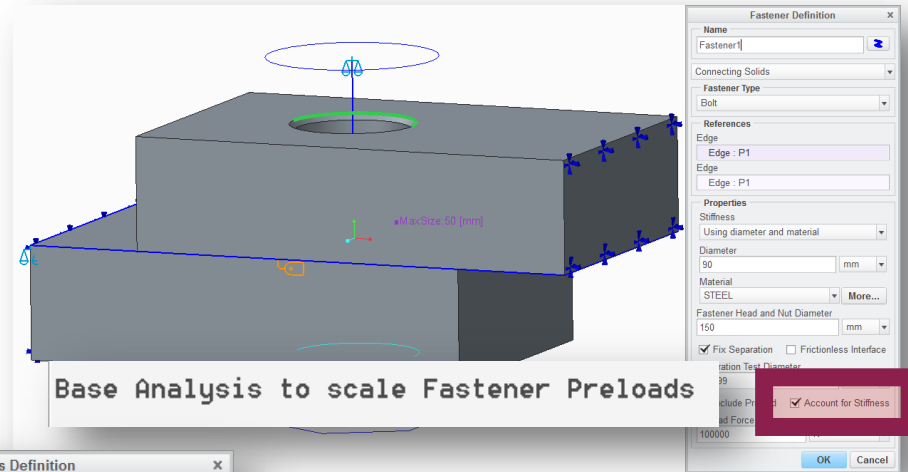
> Contact with sliding finite friction



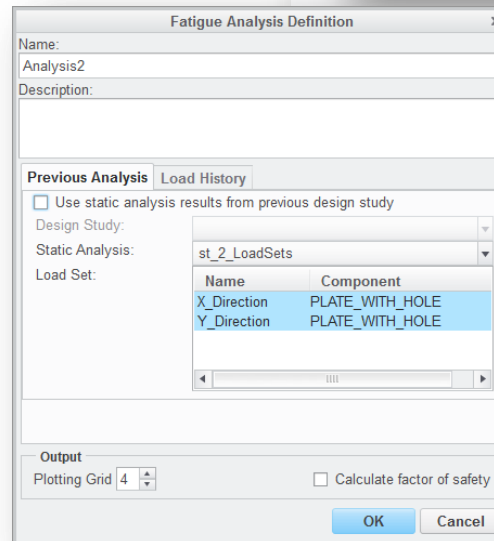
> Faster dynamic analyses



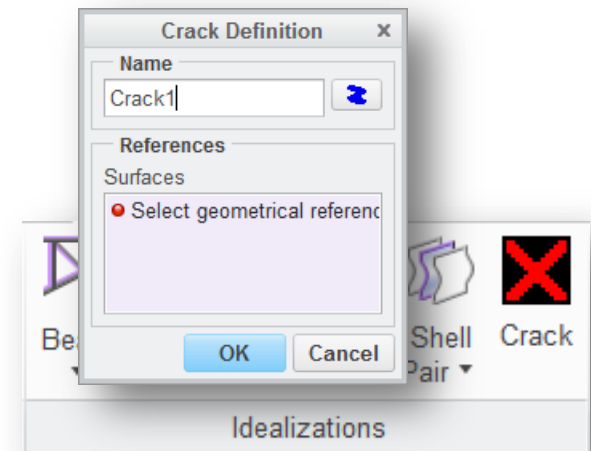
> Automatic preloads for fasteners



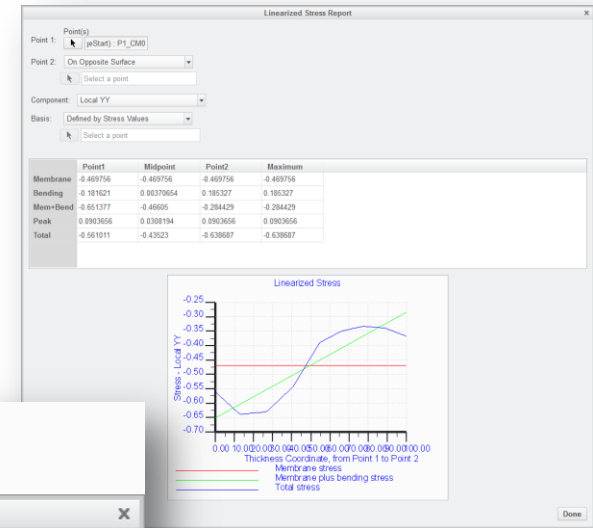
> Fatigue Analysis with Multiple Load Sets



> Stress intensity factor measures for cracks



> Improved UI for linearized stresses



> Can enter Simulate with failed features

Round 2  
Move 1  
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**Warning**

This model failed to regenerate. You may enter Creo Simulate with the model, run analyses or standard design studies, and view the results. However, you cannot run sensitivity and optimization design studies until regeneration failures are resolved.

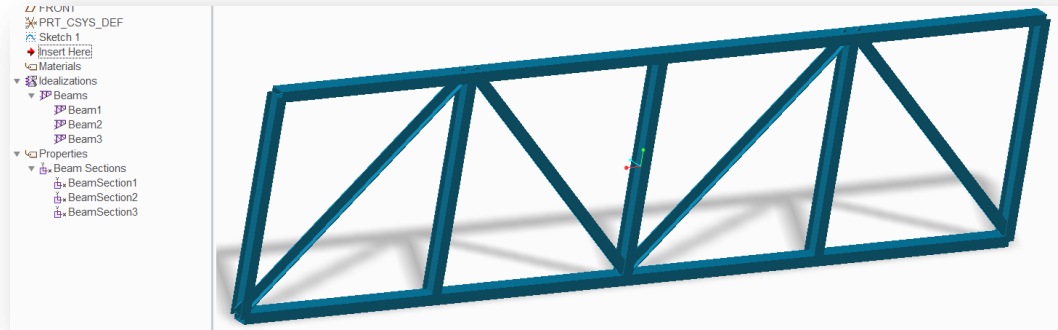
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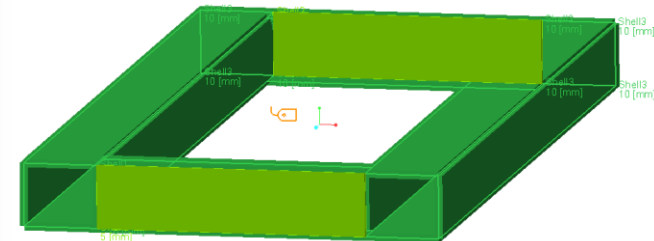
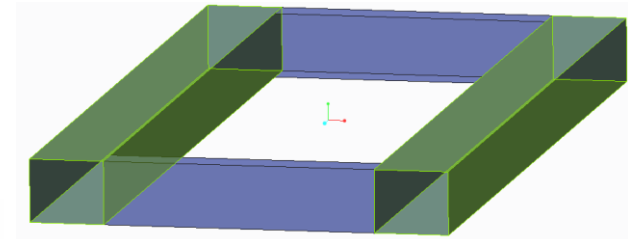
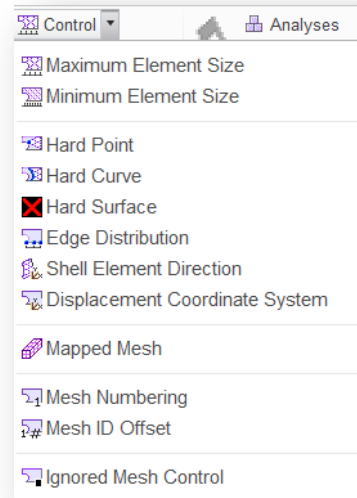
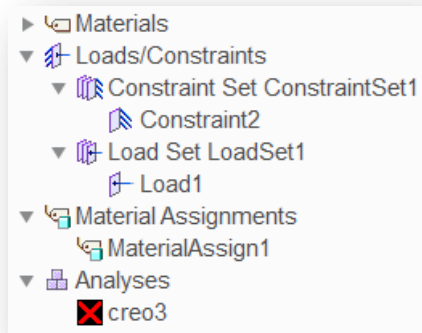
> Faster entrance into Simulate from Creo Parametric & Creo Direct

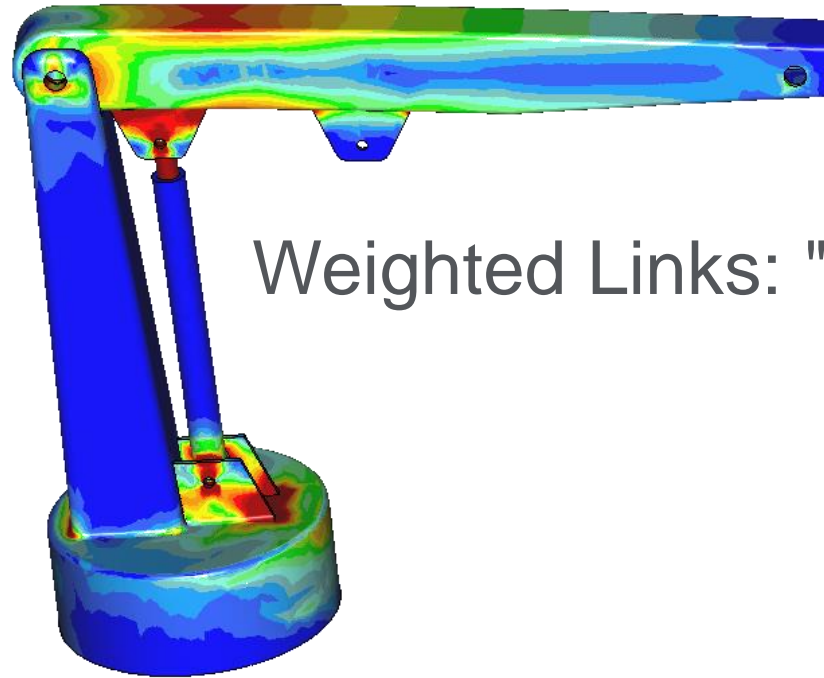
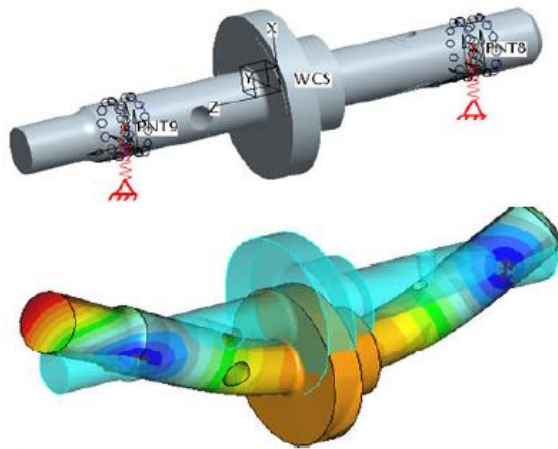


> Beams, shells, fasteners displayed as solid geometry



> In addition there are many other small, less impactful features added to Creo 3.0





## Weighted Links: "Tips & Tricks"

## Theoretical Background:

- Weighted Links allow to transfer the displacements of so called independent references (points, edges/curves or surfaces) to one dependent point.
- A special technique is used to weight (average) and transfer them to the dependent point.
- The dependent point may also rotate if the independent references enforce a rotation by their displacements; however, a pure local rotation of an independent reference (e.g. of a shell or beam) is not taken into account for the dependent point rotation.
- In opposite to rigid links the selected references do not become a rigid body; they stay flexible.



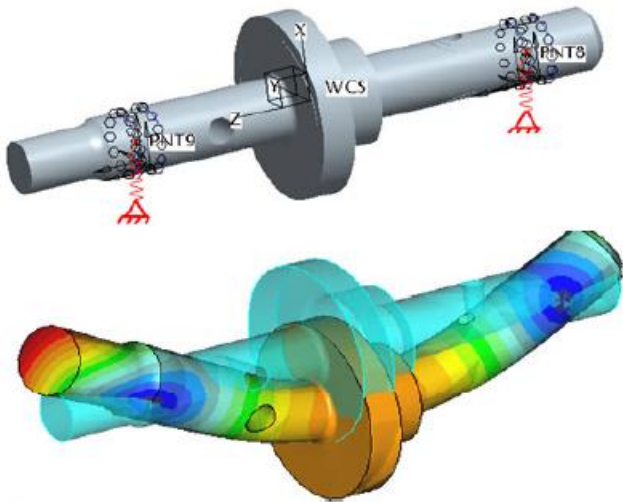
## Functionality Purpose:

- It is not easy to understand how weighted links work; in case of doubts try it out on a simple model.
- Real structures, who are idealized with help of rigid or weighted links, often behave somehow in between: They are neither infinite stiff nor do not add any stiffness.
- A big advantage of weighted links compared to rigid links is that there are no stiffness jumps at the edges of their referenced surfaces, the surfaces can still deform.
- So, a weighted link is a good idealization e.g. to built cylindrical joints: Connect a beam end point (the beam represents the axis) as dependent point to the bearing hole surface (=independent surface).

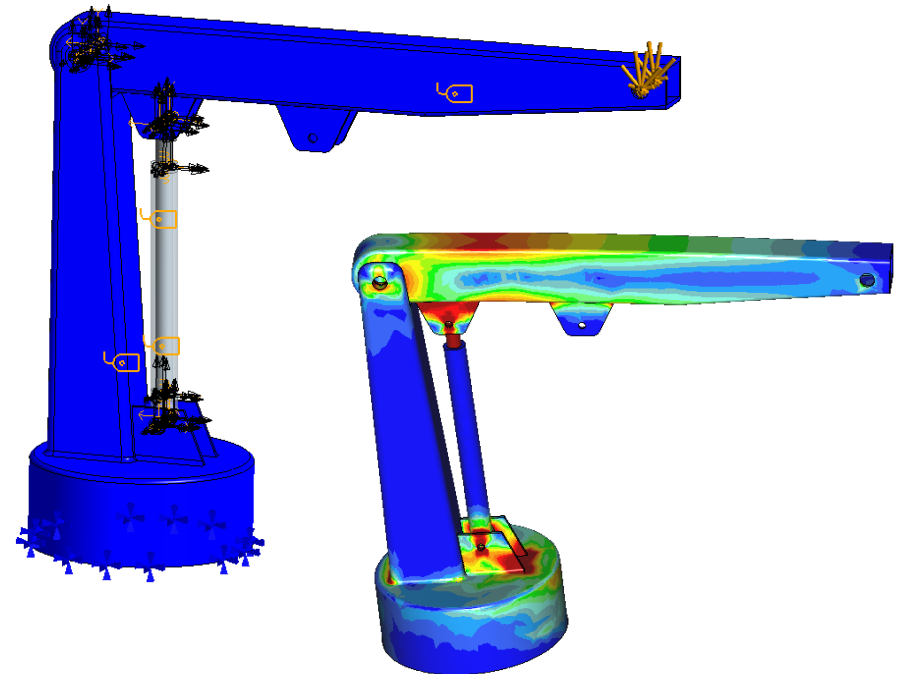
## Functionality Purpose:

- Idealized connection of references from one or more parts or simulation elements to obtain a certain structural behavior

## Mechanism-Connections



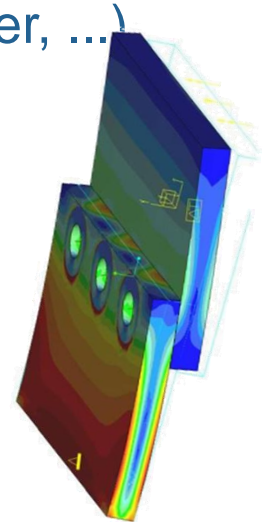
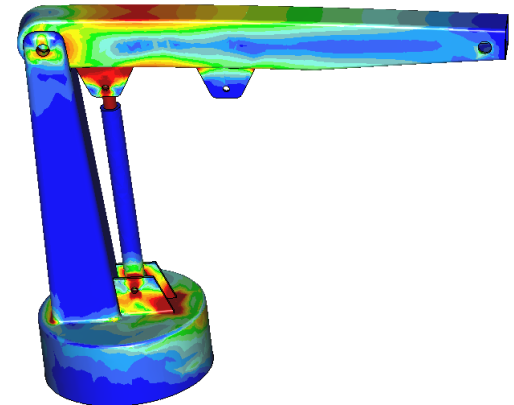
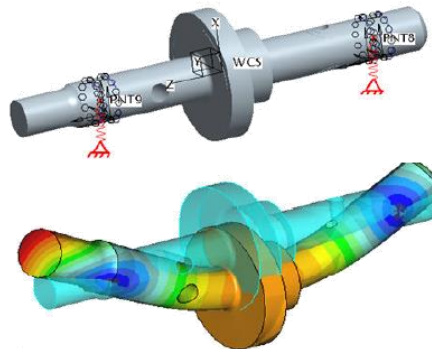
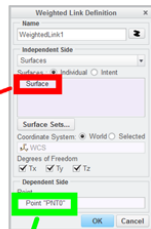
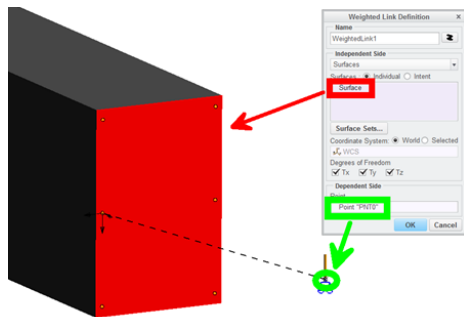
Simply supported shaft under bending and torque



Wide application spectrum:

- Modeling Connections with Stiffness (e.g. Roller-Bearing)
- Modeling Mechanism-Connections (e.g. Pin, Cylinder, Ball, Slider, ...)
- Modelling Prestressed Screw (with Beams/Shells)
- Total Load Applied at Point: Measuring the Point-Deflection
- Applying a Moment-Free Enforced Displacement
- Connecting Mass Elements
- Avoid Singularities

- ...



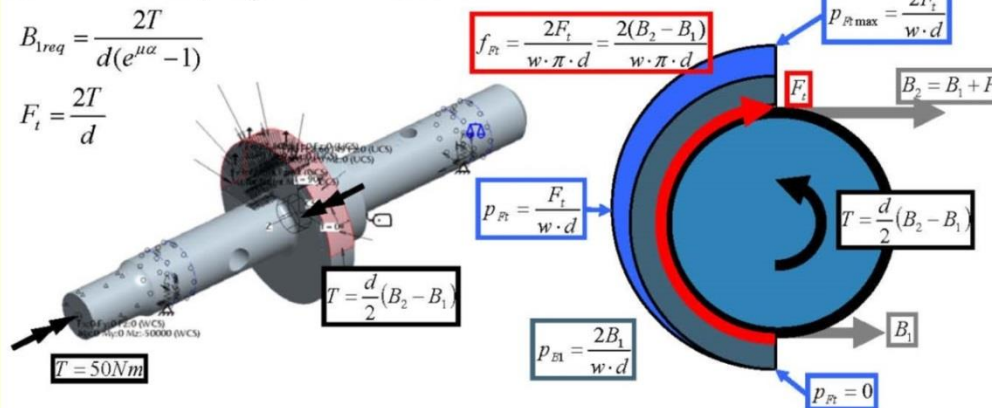
## Modeling Connections with Stiffness (e.g. Roller-Bearing)

We want to study displacements and stress of a traction sheave shaft. From the belt drive, the shaft is loaded in bending and torque. From limp belt theory, we have derived the equations shown below for a wrap angle of  $180^\circ$ . Note it is assumed that a belt tensioning pulley holds the belt force  $B_1$  constant. We are interested in the components of the shaft loading (1. pressure from belt pretension, 2. torque equilibrium, 3. additional belt pressure from the transferred torque). We want to transfer a nominal torque of 50 Nm.

1. Open the part "traction\_sheave\_shaft"
2. Study the components of belt loading shown right and think about which components belong into which load set regarding the three points listed above.
3. Create the simulation model and run an SPA analysis with load sets for each of the three components of loading listed above. For details, see cards II-IV.

### A belt drive with $180^\circ$ wrap angle:

T:	Torque to be transferred = 50 Nm
$B_{1req}$ :	Minimum required belt pretension force to transfer torque = 1824.1 N
$B_1$ :	Selected belt pretension (force in the loose side of the belt) = 2500 N
$B_2$ :	Tensile force in the loaded side of the belt = 5357.14 N
$F_t$ :	Tangential force (transfers the torque) = 2857.14 N
d:	Traction sheave diameter = 35 mm
w:	Belt width = 6 mm
$p_{B1}$ :	Belt pressure from selected belt pretension = 23.8095 MPa
$p_{Ftmax}$ :	Maximum additional belt pressure from tangential force = 27.2109 MPa
$f_{Ft}$ :	Belt tangential traction from tangential force = 8.6615 MPa
$\mu$ :	Friction coefficient belt-sheave = 0.3
$\alpha$ :	Wrap angle = $180^\circ = 3.1415$ rad



### Exercise Purpose:

- Using multiple load sets
- Creating bearing constraints for simple support of a shaft (tilting moment free fixed and floating bearing)
- Creating interpolated forces with points
- Defining forces in cylindrical coordinates

### Prerequisites:

- Outline: Loads
- Outline: Constraints
- Outline: Analysis Definition – Linear Static Analysis

### Context Information:

- Functionality: Rigid and Weighted Links
- Functionality: Springs (see the workshop booklet "Mechanica Fundamentals II")

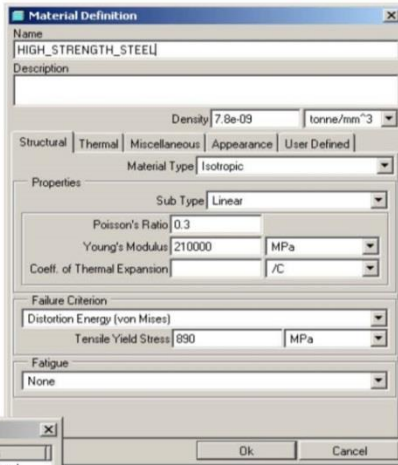
The steps shown left and on the following slides just describe the most important basics. Use the cards listed under "Prerequisites" as a minimum for more details. Check your work with help of → Techniques: Assuring Result Quality. The example results for comparing with your own analysis results are shown hereafter.

## Modeling Connections with Stiffness (e.g. Roller-Bearing)

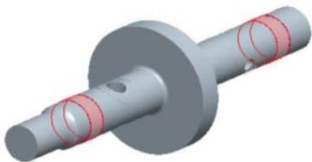
Define material. Create surface regions and constraints to idealize fixed and floating shaft bearings.



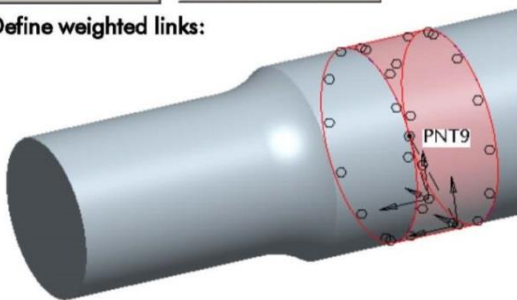
### 1. Define and assign material:



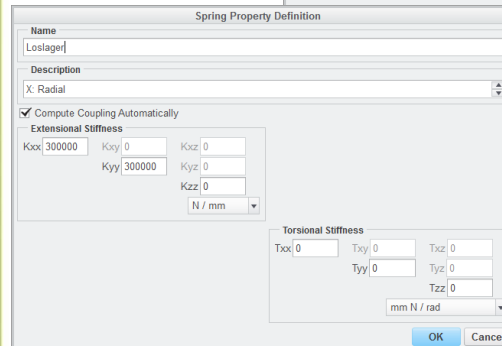
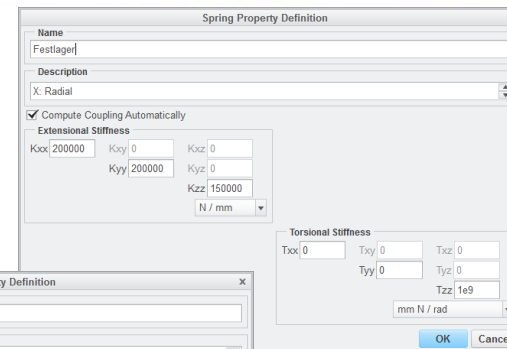
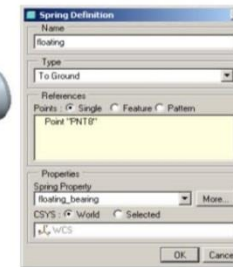
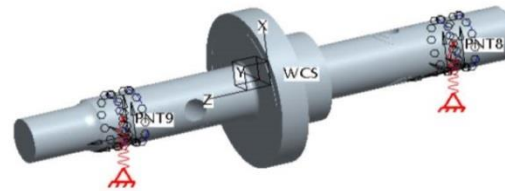
### 2. Define surface regions: (use the existing curves!)



### 3. Define weighted links:



### 4. Define «To Ground» Springs with Roller-Bearing Stiffness (at bearing center points)



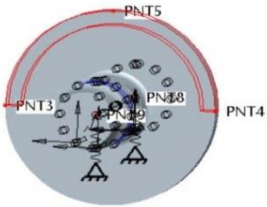


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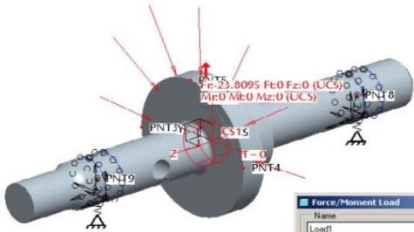
Create Volume regions and loads. Finally, create the analysis using all three load sets.



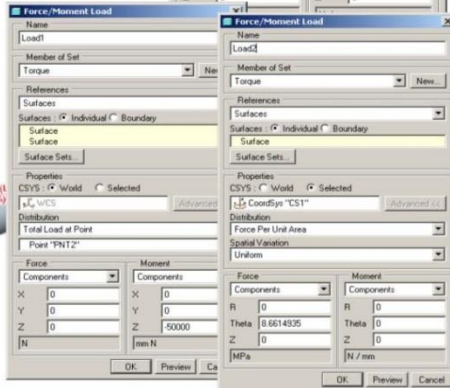
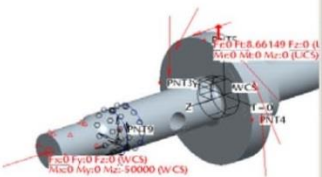
### 6. Create the volume region:



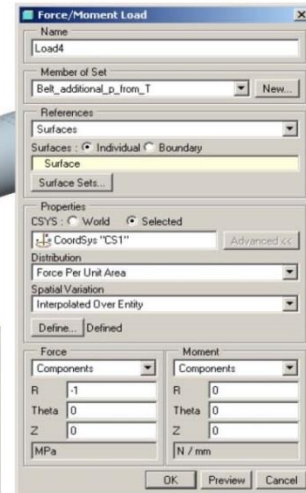
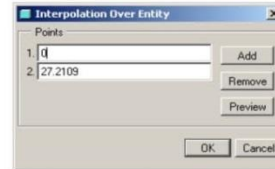
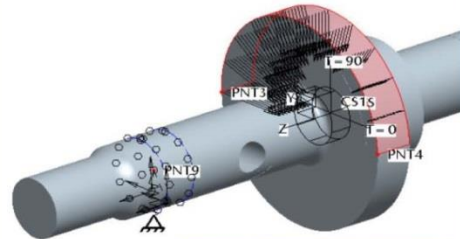
### 7. Create the load set "Belt\_preload" and define the according force (use cyl. CS):



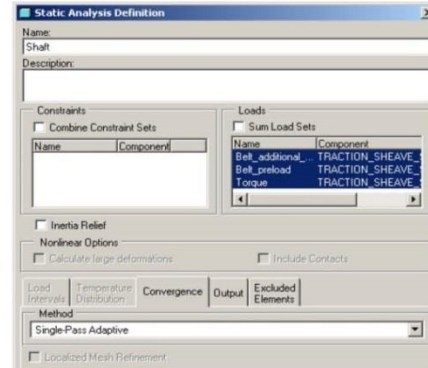
### 8. Create load set "Torque" and define according loads:



### 9. Create load set "Belt\_additional\_p\_from\_T" and define the last acting load:



### 10. Create the analysis:





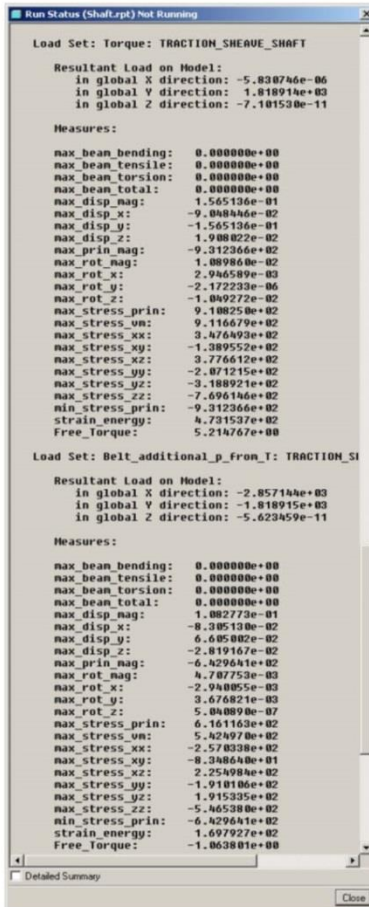
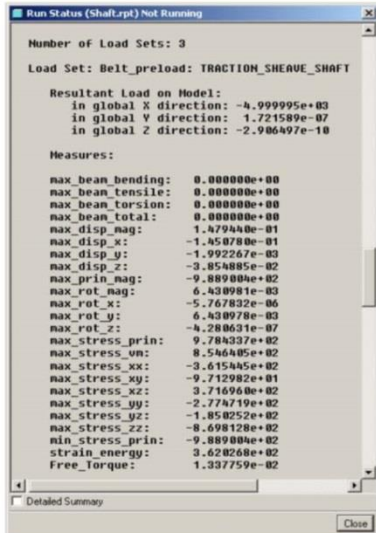
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These images show the results you should obtain when you performed all steps correctly.



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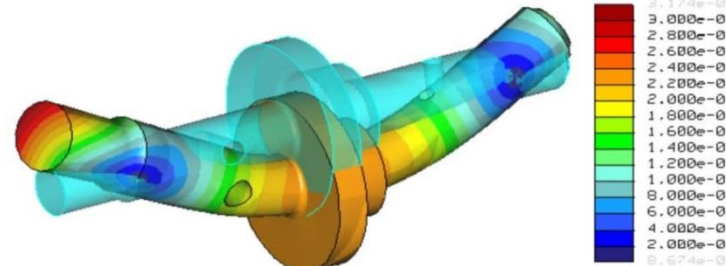
Examine the single load sets results also in the result window and combine them. Note that load set "Torque" and "Belt\_additional\_p\_from T" in reality just appear simultaneously!



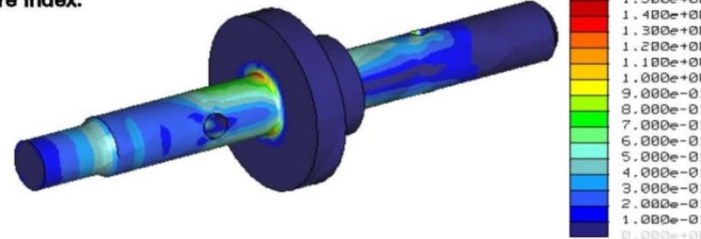
### All loadcases combined:

Displacement magnitude:  
(Scale factor 50 absolute)

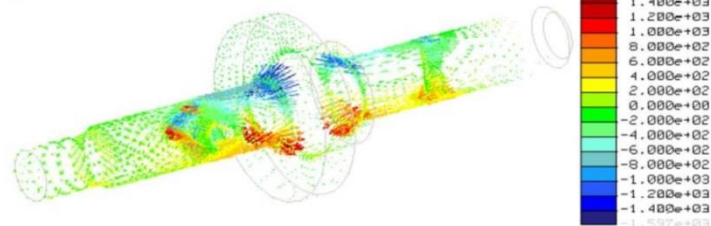
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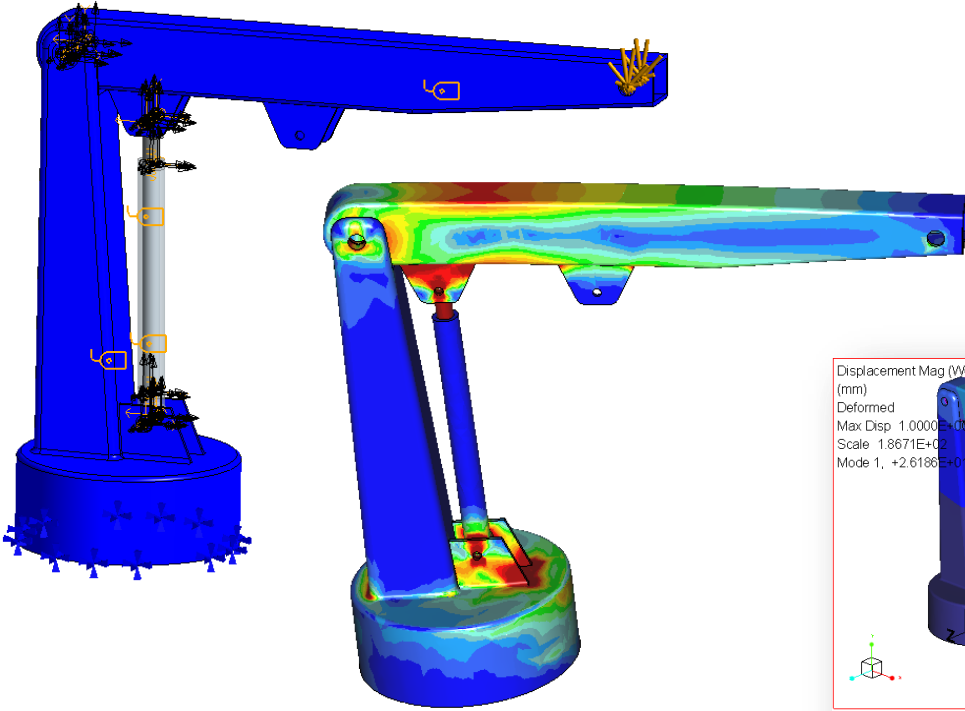
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### Principal stress vectors:

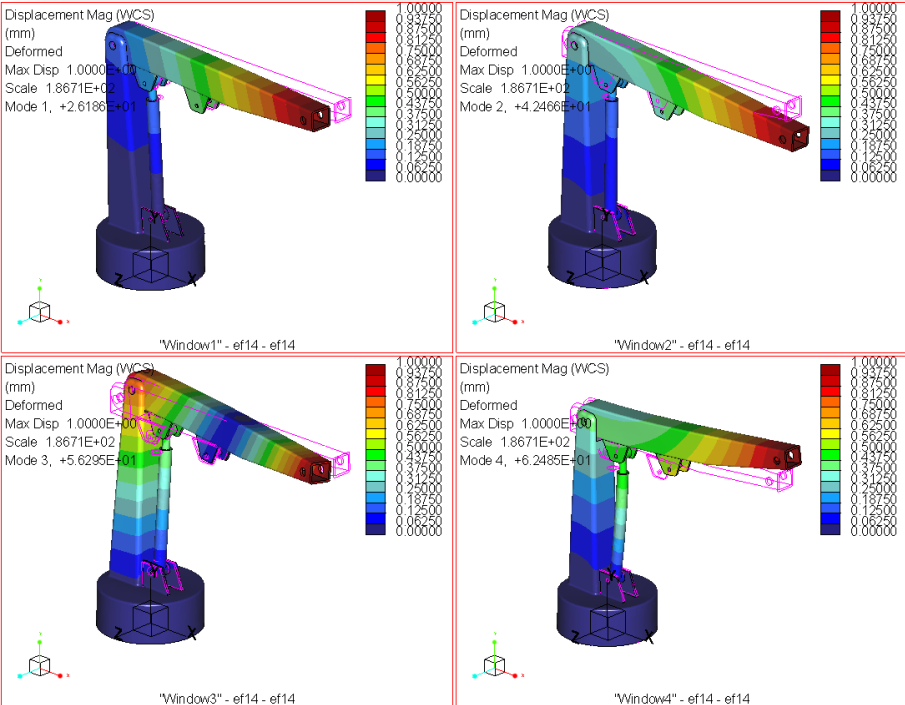


## Modeling Mechanism-Connections (e.g. Pin, Cylinder, Ball, Slider, ...)



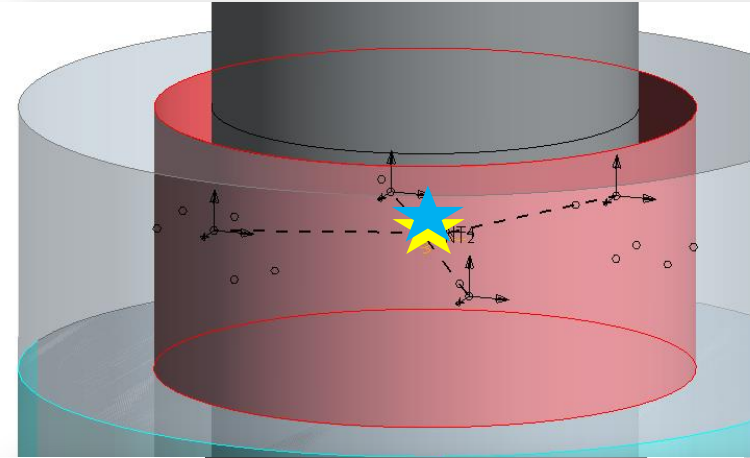
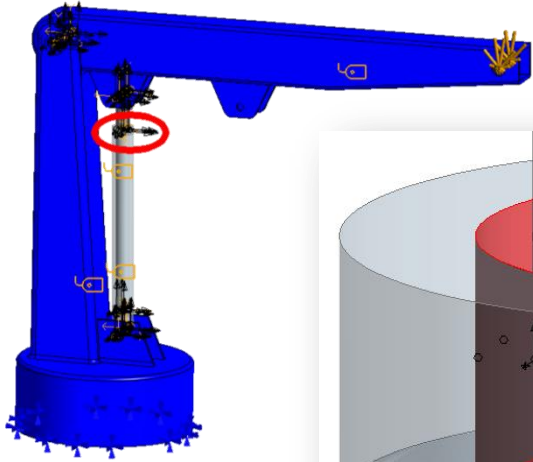
Static Analysis

## Modal Analysis



## Modeling Mechanism-Connections (e.g. Pin, Cylinder, Ball, Slider, ...)

- ▼ Idealizations
  - ▼ Springs
    - Spring1
    - Spring2
    - Spring7
    - Spring8
    - Spring3
    - Spring4
    - Spring5
    - Spring6
  - ▼ Connections
    - ▼ Weighted Links
      - WeightedLink1
      - WeightedLink3
      - WeightedLink5
      - WeightedLink6
      - WeightedLink7
      - WeightedLink8
      - WeightedLink9
      - WeightedLink11
      - WeightedLink13
      - WeightedLink14
      - WeightedLink15
      - WeightedLink16
      - WeightedLink17
      - WeightedLink18
      - WeightedLink19
      - WeightedLink20



Weighted Link Definition

Name: WeightedLink13

Independent Side

Surfaces: Surfaces

Surfaces:  Individual  Intent

Surface : HYDR\_CYL\_HOUSING

Surface : HYDR\_CYL\_HOUSING

Surface Sets...

Coordinate System:  World  Selected

WCS

Degrees of Freedom

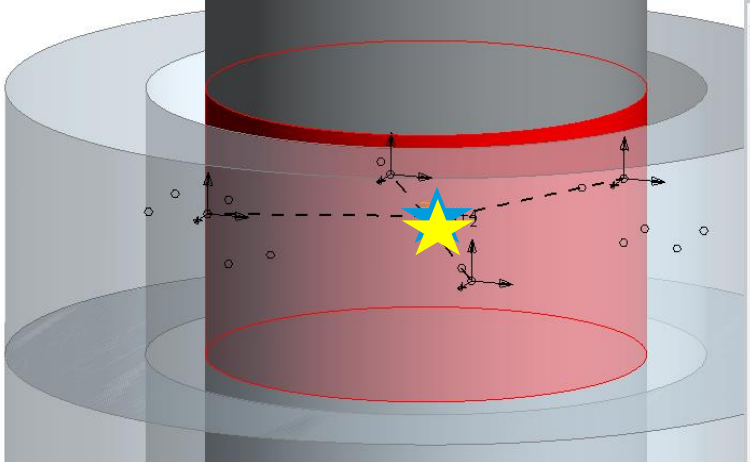
Tx  Ty  Tz

Dependent Side

Point

Point "PNT2" : HYDR\_CYL\_HOUSING

OK Cancel



Weighted Link Definition

Name: WeightedLink14

Independent Side

Surfaces: Surfaces

Surfaces:  Individual  Intent

Surface : HYDR\_CYL\_PISTON

Surface : HYDR\_CYL\_PISTON

Surface Sets...

Coordinate System:  World  Selected

WCS

Degrees of Freedom

Tx  Ty  Tz

Dependent Side

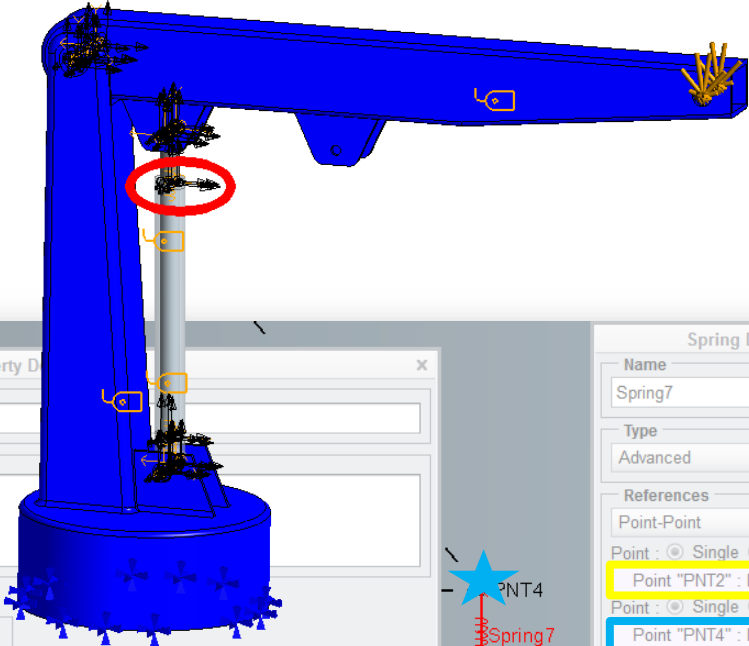
Point

Point "PNT4" : HYDR\_CYL\_PISTON

OK Cancel

## Modeling Mechanism-Connections (e.g. Pin, Cylinder, Ball, Slider, ...)

- ▼ Idealizations
  - ▼ Springs
    - Spring1
    - Spring2
    - Spring7
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    - Spring3
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- ▼ Connections
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    - WeightedLink14
    - WeightedLink15
    - WeightedLink16
    - WeightedLink17
    - WeightedLink18
    - WeightedLink19
    - WeightedLink20



### Spring Property Definition

Name: CYL

Description:

Compute Coupling Automatically

Extensinal Stiffness

Kxx: 0	Kxy: 0	Kxz: 0
	Kyy: 1e9	Kyz: 0
		Kzz: 1e9

mm N / mm

Torsional Stiffness

Txx: 0	Txy: 0	Txz: 0
	Tyy: 1e9	Tyz: 0
		Tzz: 1e9

mm N / rad

OK Cancel

### Spring Definition

Name: Spring7

Type: Advanced

References

Point-Point

Point:  Single  Feature  Pattern

Point "PNT2": HYDR\_CYL\_HOUSING

Point:  Single  Feature  Pattern

Point "PNT4": HYDR\_CYL\_PISTON

Properties

Spring Property: CYL

Orientation

Y-Direction defined by Vector in WC

X: 0

Y: 1

Z: 0

Additional Rotation

0 deg

OK Cancel

## Modelling Prestressed Screw (with Beams/Shells)

The screenshot displays the Creo Parametric interface for a model named "M10 (Active) - Creo Parametric". The software is in "Native Mode" with a "Default Bonded Interface".

**Model Tree:**

- M10.PRT
  - T-BASIS
  - T-RECHTS
  - T-OBEN
  - T-VORNE
  - A\_1
    - Sketch 1
    - Fill 1
    - DTM1
    - Sketch 2
    - Fill 2
    - PNT0
    - PNT1
    - Insert Here
    - Materials
    - Idealizations
      - Beams
        - Beam1
      - Shells
        - Shell1
        - Shell2
      - Connections
        - Weighted Links
          - WeightedLink1
          - WeightedLink2
      - Properties
      - AutoGEM Controls
      - Measures

**Weighted Link Definition**

Name: WeightedLink1

Independent Side: Surfaces

Surfaces: Individual (selected) Intent

Surface Sets...

Coordinate System: World (selected) Selected

WCS

Degrees of Freedom: Tx, Ty, Tz (all checked)

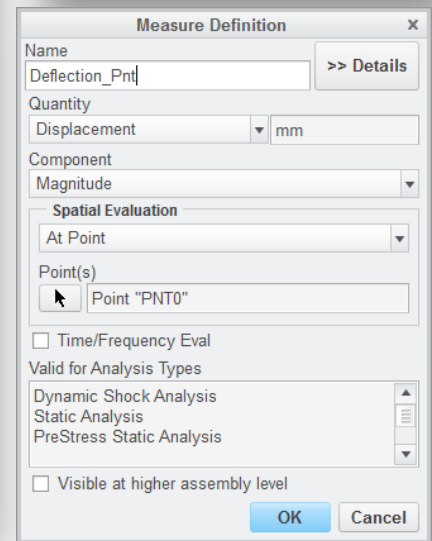
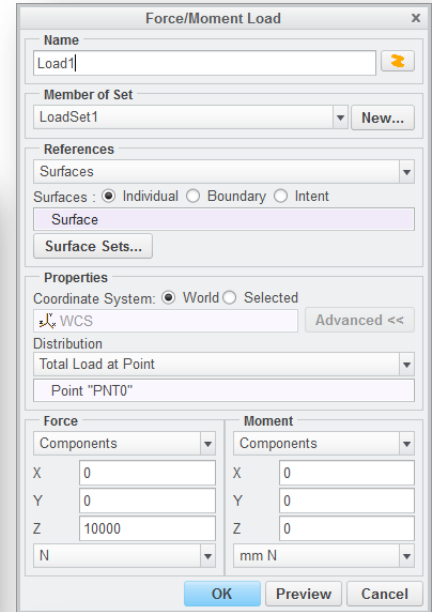
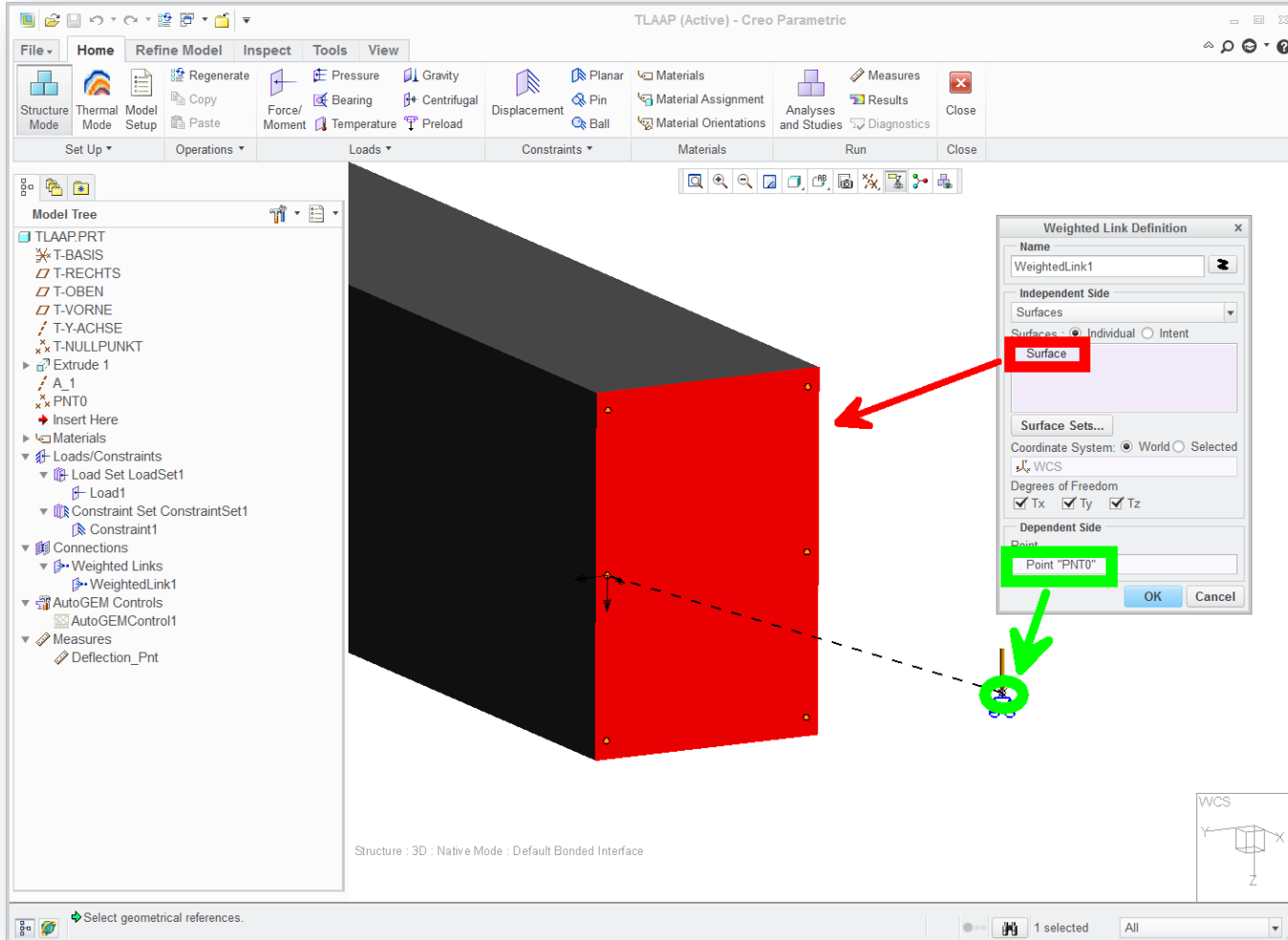
Dependent Side: Point

Point: "PNT1"

Buttons: OK, Cancel



## Total Load Applied at Point: Measuring the Point-Deflection





## Applying a Moment-Free Enforced Displacement”

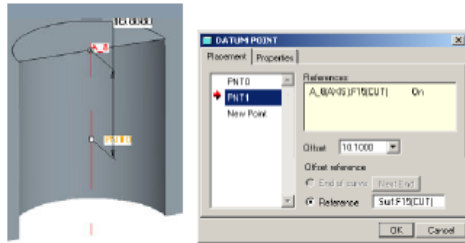
In the first approach, we were not successful in answering the question: “What force do we need if we bend the leg end 1.25 mm upwards, and what are the resulting stresses?” This card shows how we can define a moment-free enforced displacement at the thread hole that leads to correct results.

**Remark:** Applying an enforced point constraint in the upper hole surface is not a good solution, since then we create a singularity and an unrealistic high local deformation there!

1. Delete the surface constraint in the hole defined for the previous analysis.
2. Create two points within the hole axis (→Step 1).
3. Create a weighted link (→Step 2).
4. Create a simple spring (→Step 3).
5. Create an enforced displacement at the free spring end (→Step 4).
6. Define an MPA analysis with 5 % on local disp, strain energy and global RMS stress.
7. Evaluate the results.

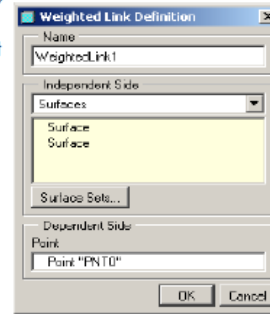
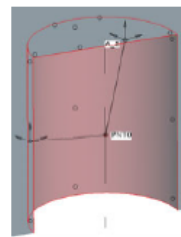
### Step 1:

Create two very close points on the hole axis. Distances from the upper hole end surface are 10 (PNT 0) and 10.1 mm.



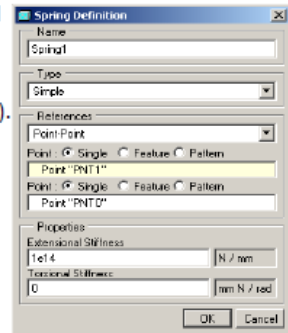
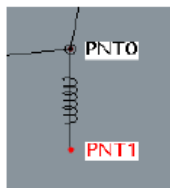
### Step 2:

Insert / Connection / Weighted Link... The dependent point is PNT0.



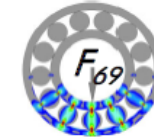
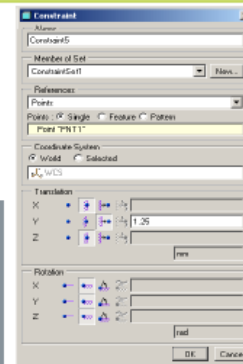
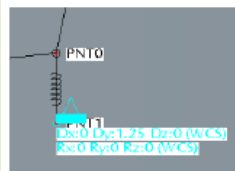
### Step 3:

Create a very rigid simple spring between the two points (K=1E+14 N/mm).



### Step 4:

Move the spring end point PNT1 1.25 mm upwards by a constraint.



### Technique Purpose:

- Applying enforced “surface” displacement constraints that do not create unwanted bending moments
- Use resulting force measures

### Prerequisites:

- Example: An Office Chair Leg
- Techniques: Applying a Moment-Free Enforced Displacement

### Context Information:

- Functionality: Rigid and Weighted Links
- Functionality: Springs
- Functionality: Measures (all cards are in the workshop booklet “Mechanica Fundamentals II”)


The steps shown left just describe the most important basics. Use the cards listed under “Prerequisites” as a minimum for more details.

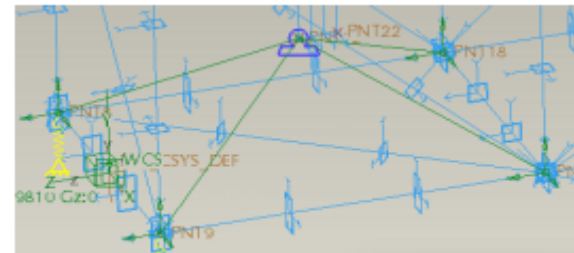
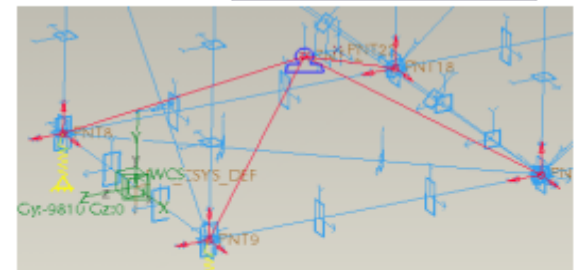
Check your work with help of →Techniques: Assuring Result Quality.

The example results for comparing with your own analysis results are shown on the back side of this card.

## Connecting Mass Elements

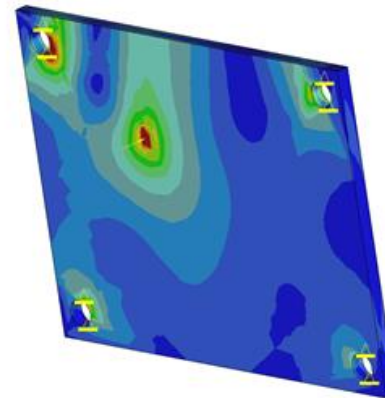
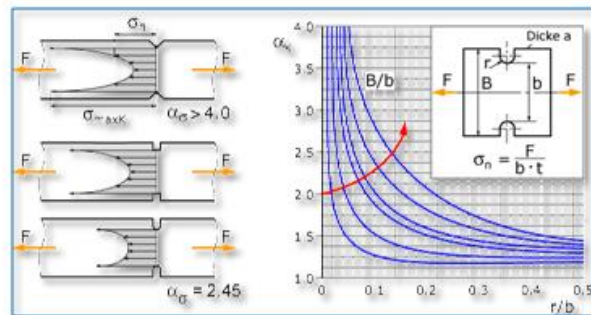
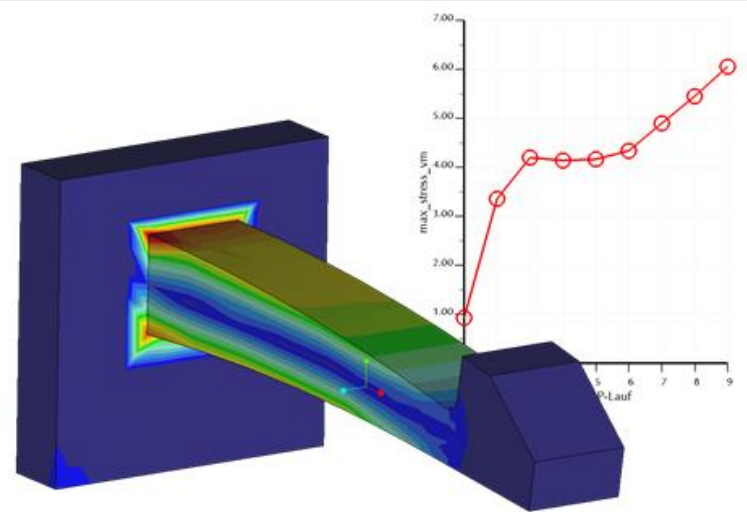
### Connecting Mass Elements – Weighted Links (If Advanced Licence available)

- ❑ In WF2, use light stiff beams or rigid links to connect the a mass element representing the engine mass to the chassis. We will connect the engine mass to the chassis with Point to point Weighted Links
- ❑ In WF3 can use Weighted Links from PNT12 to the four points at the bottom corners of the engine bay
- ❑ Go to Insert>Connections>Weighted Links or click on the Weighted Link Icon 
- ❑ For the 'Dependent Side', select PNT12, the point to which the Engine mass element is attached.
- ❑ For the 'Independent Side', select the 4 points at the corners at the bottom of the engine bay; PNT2, PNT3, PNT11, PNT18
- ❑ Then click OK
- ❑ These points will then show as connected in the model



## Avoid Singularities

- Reasons for singularities can be:
- Constraints (Rigid Regions)
- Loads (point-, edge-loads)
- Geometry („inner“ sharp corners)
- Result of a singularity are stress-peaks
- A „Multi Pass“ analysis will not converge with dominant singularities in the model
- When analyzing a singular model with „Multi Pass“: use local measures as convergence criteria
- **Do NOT interpret stresses near to a singularity !!!**
- **Solution: → Use Weighted Links**



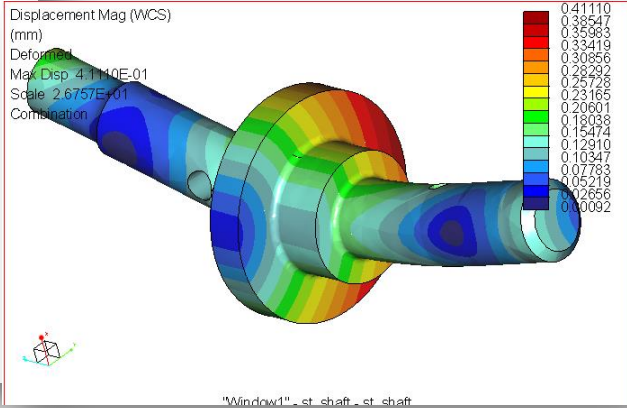
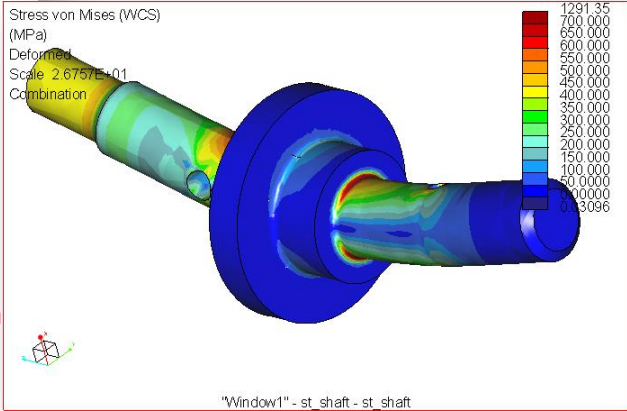
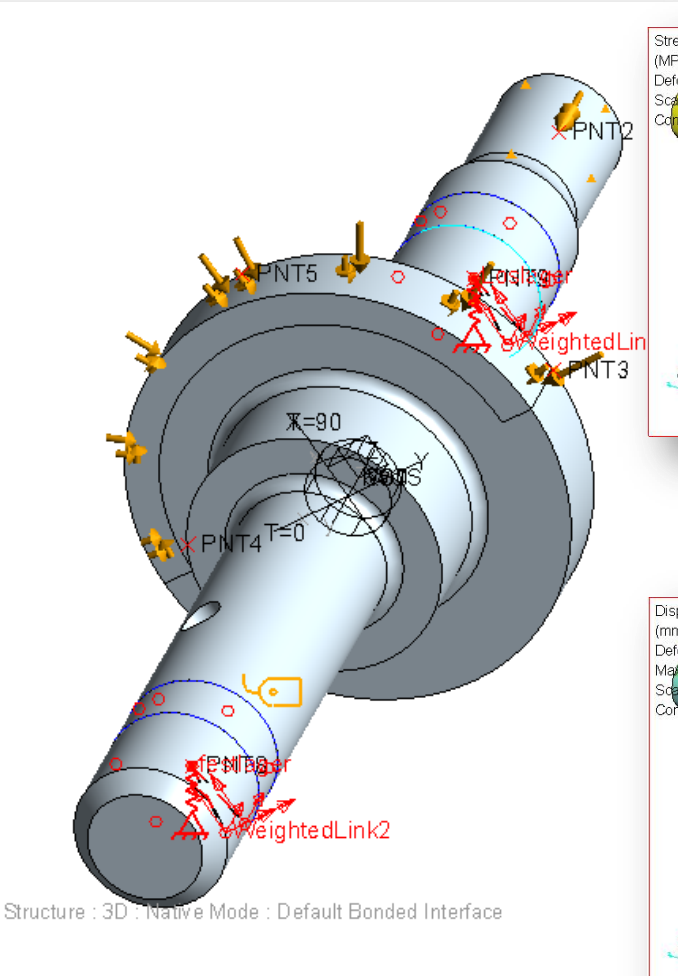
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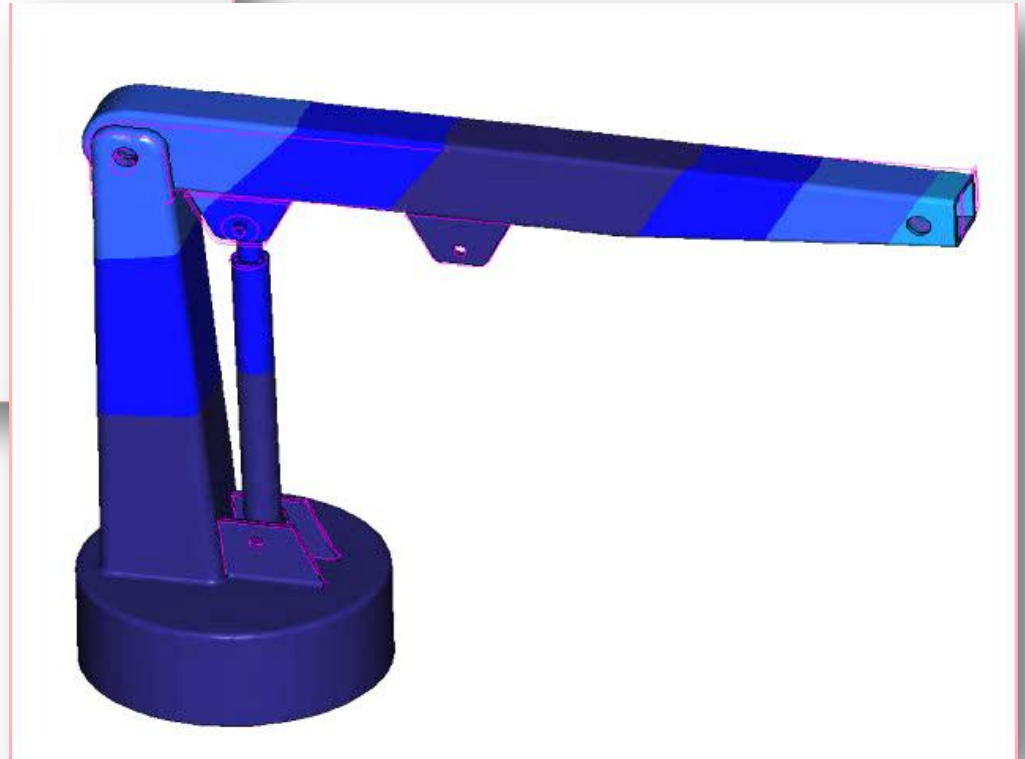
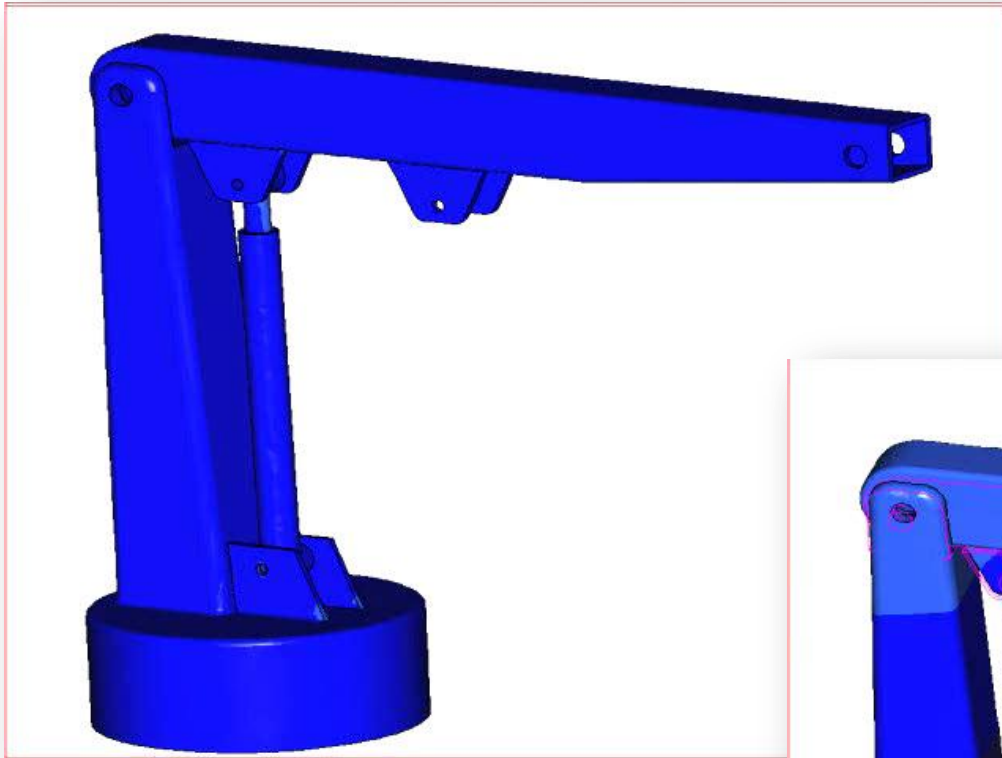


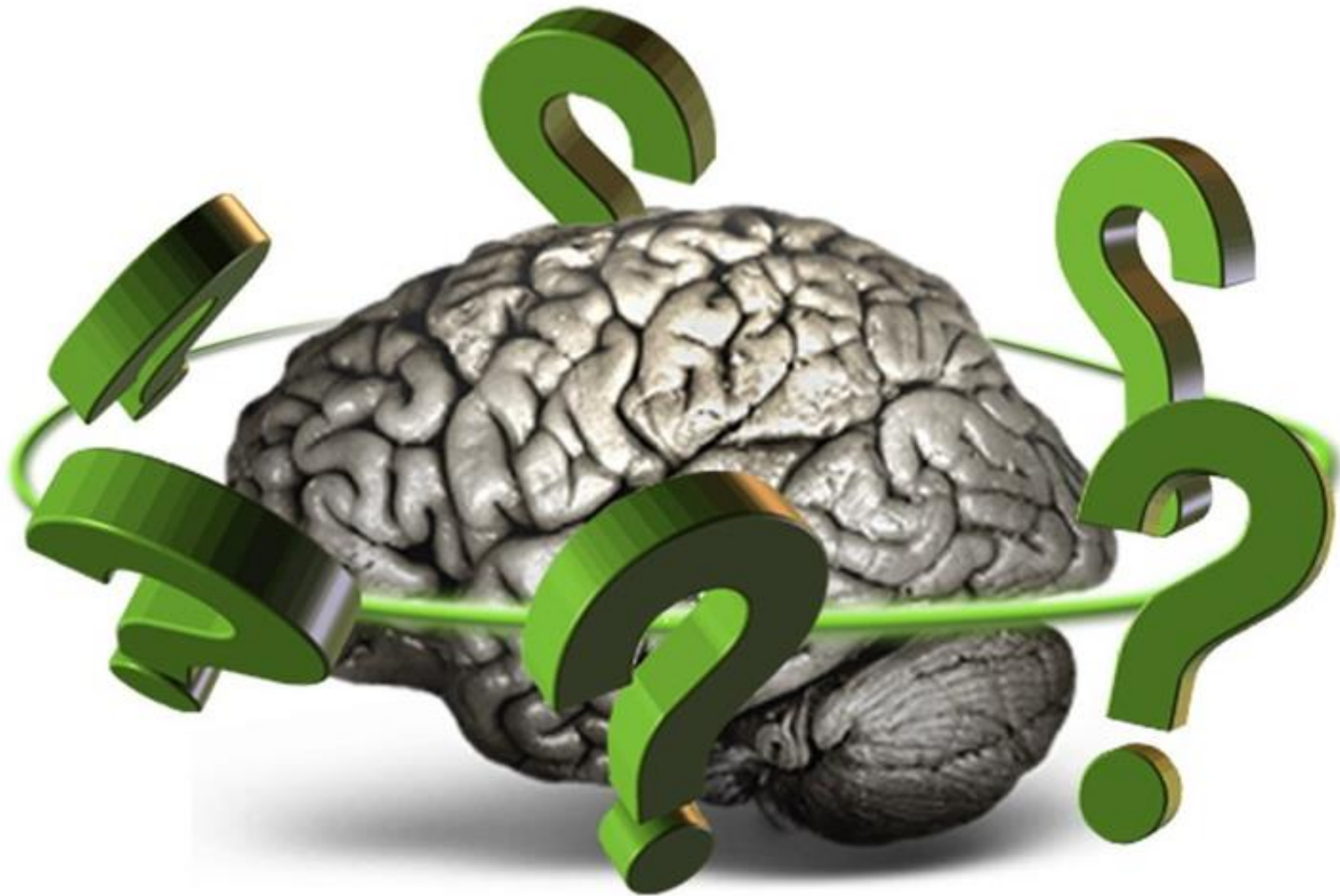
## Live-Demos



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    - Load2
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    - Load1
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Thank You