

Accelerated Insertion of Materials - Composites



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AIM-C Alignment Tool

The objective of the AIM-C Program is to provide concepts, an approach, and tools that can accelerate the insertion of composite materials into DoD products

AIM-C Will Accomplish This Three Ways

Methodology - *We will evaluate the historical roadblocks to effective implementation of composites and offer a process or protocol to eliminate these roadblocks and a strategy to expand the use of the systems and processes developed.*

Product Development - *We will develop a software tool, resident and accessible through the Internet that will allow rapid evaluation of composite materials for various applications.*

Demonstration/Validation - *We will provide a mechanism for acceptance by primary users of the system and validation by those responsible for certification of the applications in which the new materials may be used.*

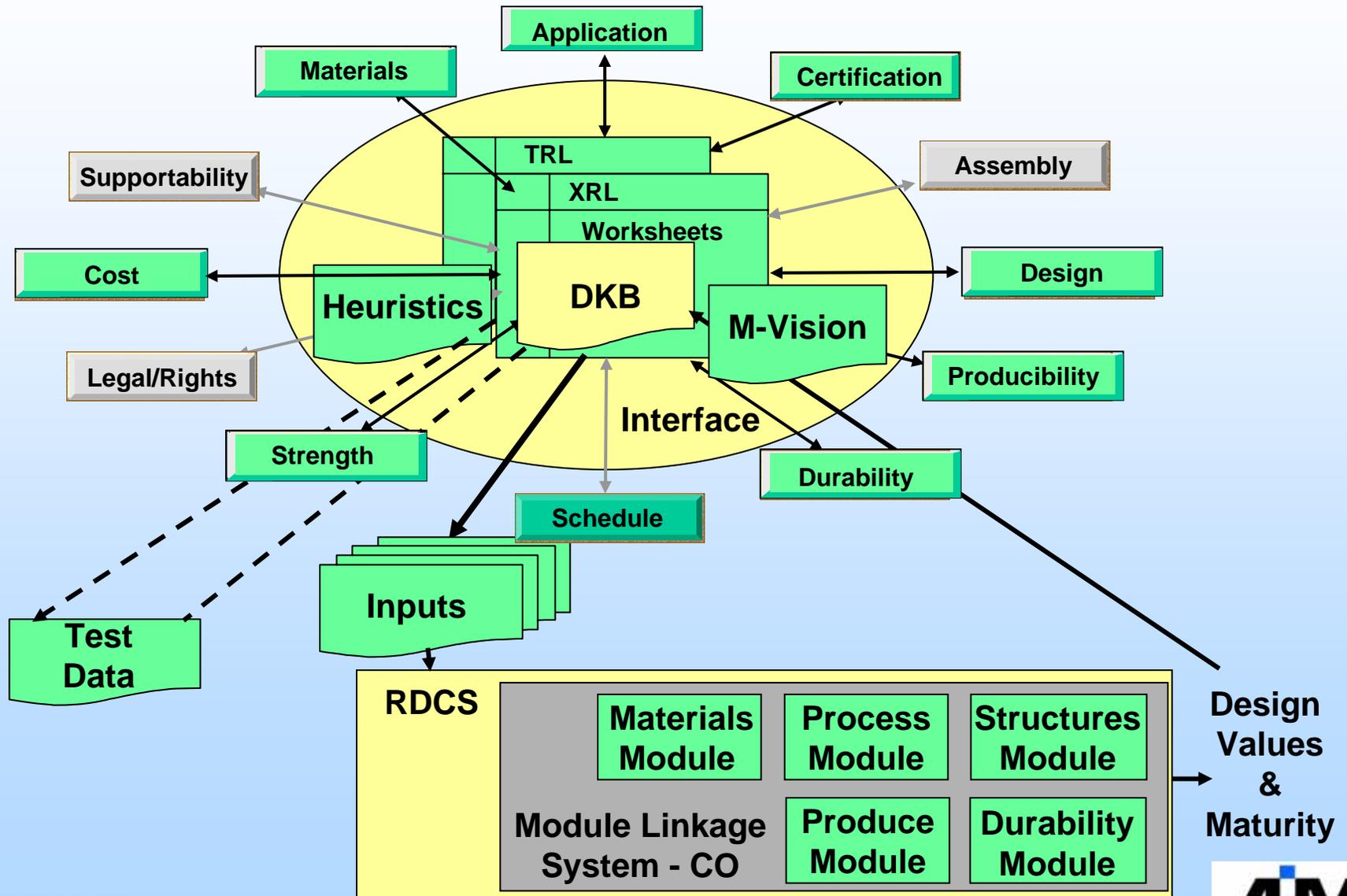


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AIM-C System Vision

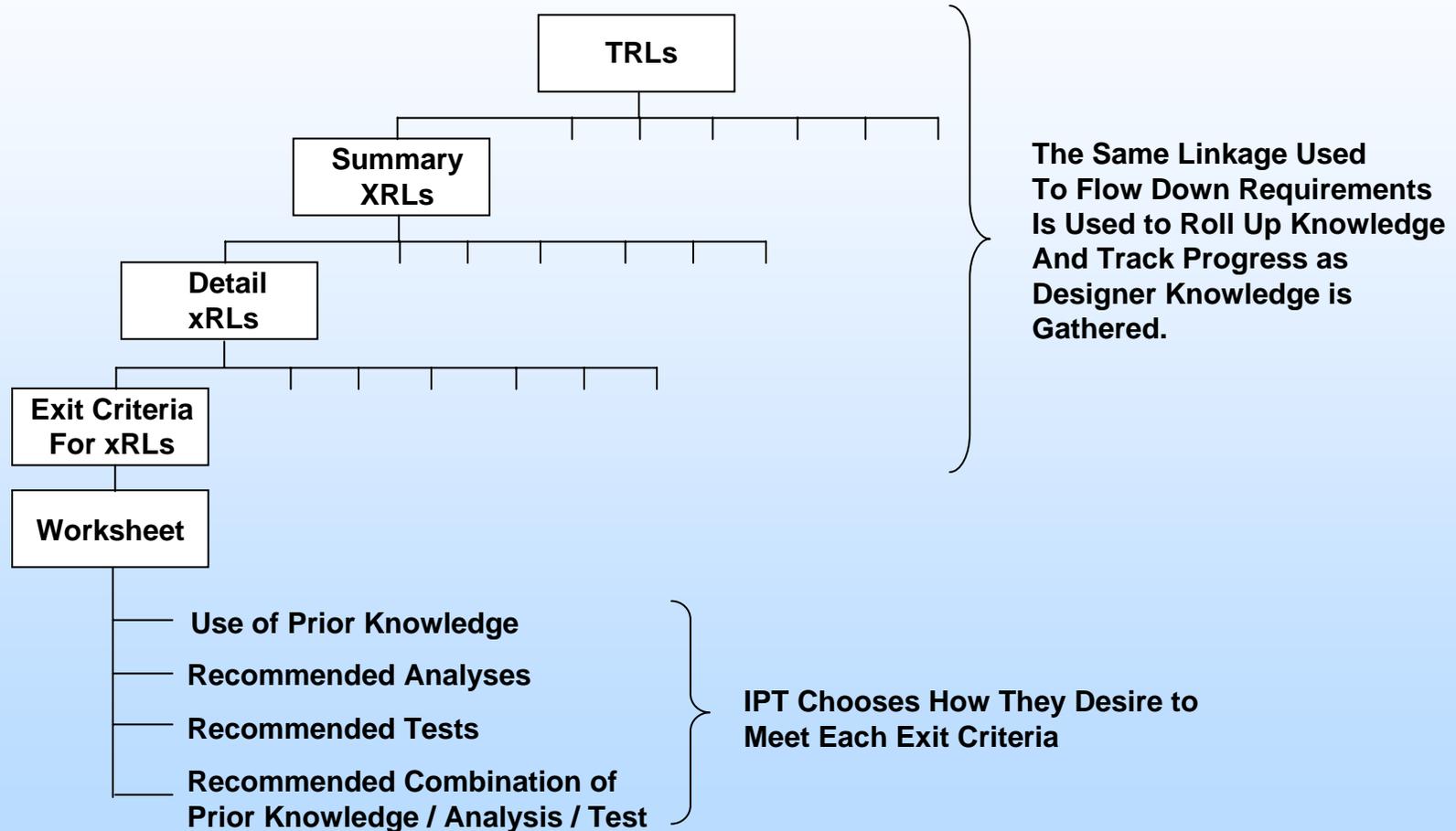


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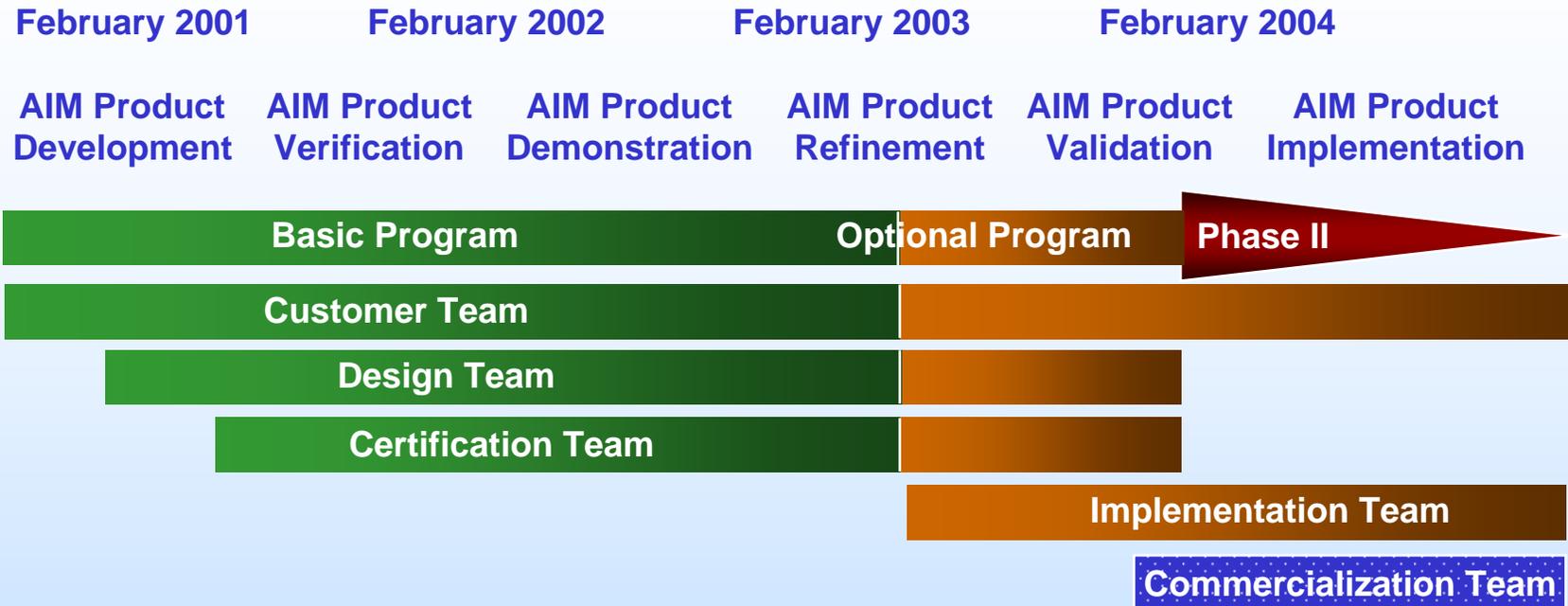




AIM Methodology Becomes a Requirements Flow Down and a Completion Roll Up



AIM-C Transition Plan



Customer Team – To ensure that the product meets the needs of the funding agents

Design Team – To ensure acceptance among users in industry

Certification Team – To ensure acceptance among the certification agents for structures

Implementation Team – To ensure acceptance among the user community

“Commercialization” Team – To ensure support of users

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AIM-C Certification Team



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To Insure That the Methodology, Verification, and System Validation We Do Satisfies Certifying Agencies

Conceptual Display



AIM-C Main Menu



Alpha Minus Version [Help](#)

- Home
- Setup DKB
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Designer's Knowledge Base

Coefficient of Thermal Expansion

Thermal Expansion Properties are Reported as a Function of the State Properties Degree of Cure, Temperature, and Moisture Content

Resin

Fiber

State Variables

Degree of Cure

Temperature

Moisture Content

Layup Definition

Calculation Method

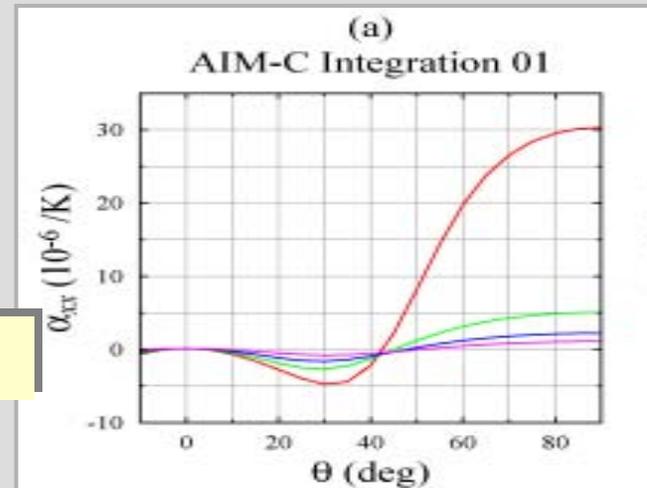
Export to CSV

Link to Model

1. Hexcel IM7
2. Hexcel AS4

1. 0/90, +/-0
2. Carpet Plot
3. Unidirectional
4. Custom Defined

1. CAT (Linked Modules)
2. From Data Base

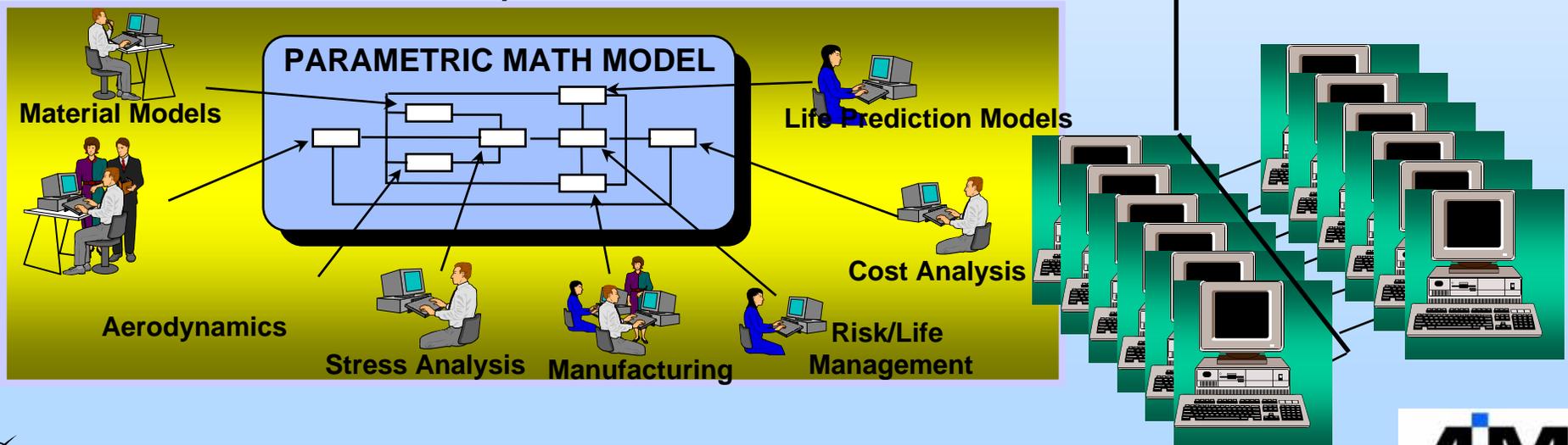
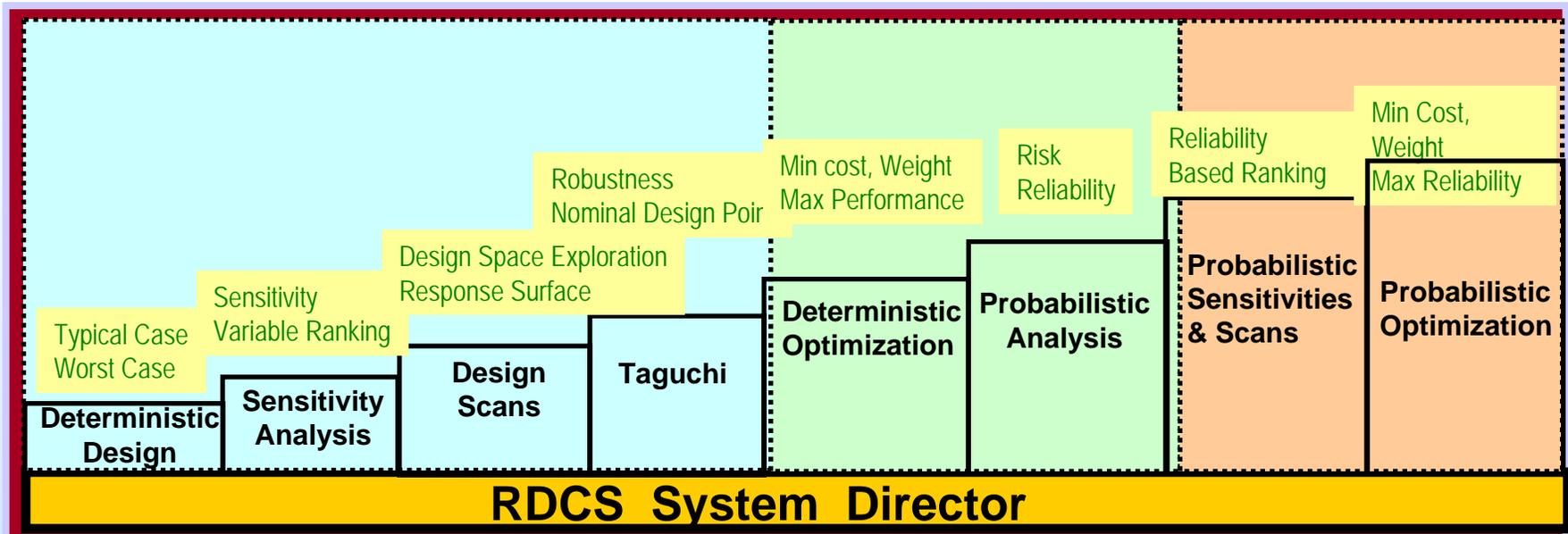


Property To Display

1. Alpha x vs. Layup
2. Alpha y vs. Layup
3. Alpha z vs. Layup
4. Alpha x vs. T at a Given Theta
5. Alpha y vs. T at a Given Theta
6. Alpha z vs. T at a Given Theta



Robust Design Computational System



RDCS Edge of Flange Disbond Study

The Problem

Application Objective

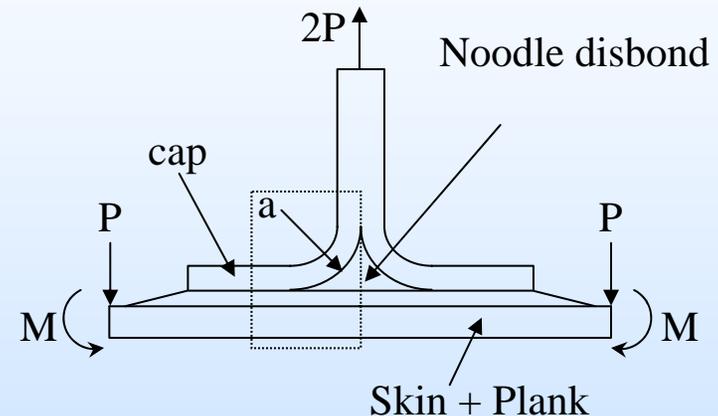
- Investigate the effect of skin-stringer panel geometric parameters on maximum moment at the flange and margin of safety for stringer pull-off
- To aid in the selection of appropriate stiffener geometry and spacing

High Level Description

- **Design variables:** Skin Thickness, Flange Thickness, Stiffener Height, Total Flange Width
- **Response Variables:** Maximum Flange Moment, Pull-off Margin
- **Solvers/Methods:** RDCS, ANSYS/LEFM

Solution Scope

- **RDCS:** Sensitivity analysis, Factorial Design Space Explorations
- **ANSYS:** Static non-linear large deflection analysis
- **Solution Cases:** 81 Large Scale FEM Solutions



RDCS Application Benefits

- **Rapid factorial design calculations for external ANOVA study and response surface with significant cycle time reduction**
- **ANOVA helps identify critical factors and interactions**
- **Accurate surrogate response surface model helps simplify the design process**



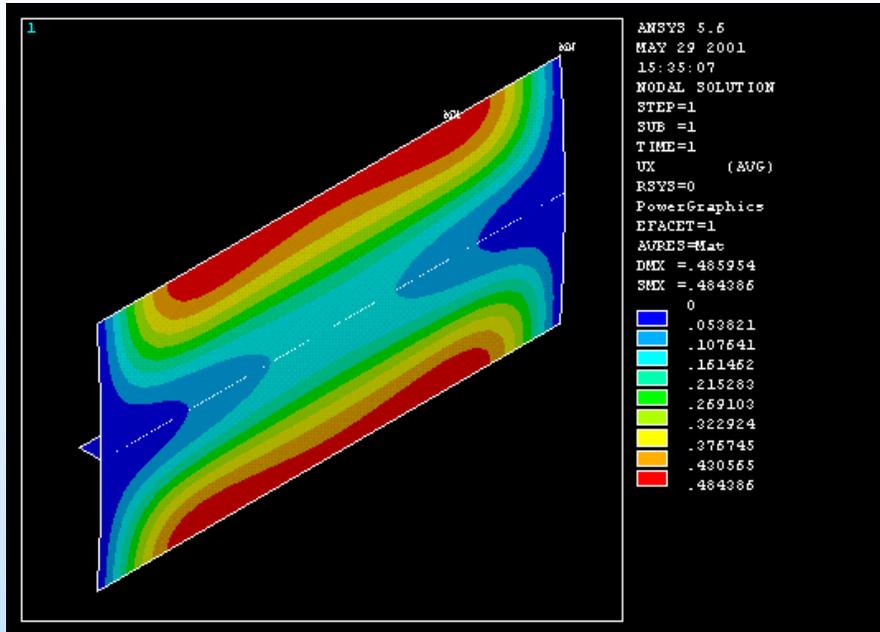
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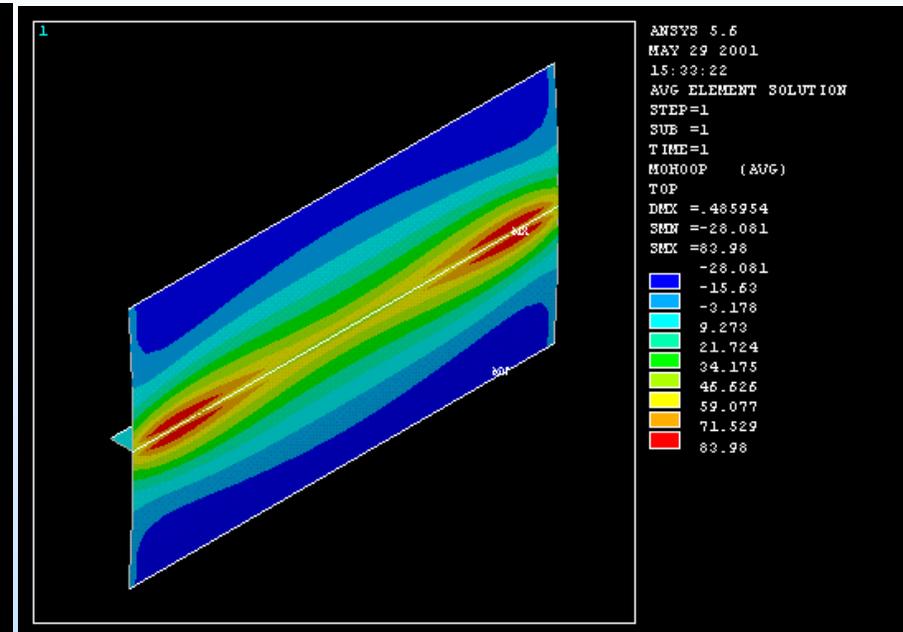


RDCS Edge of Flange Disbond Study

The Problem



Internal Pressure (or postbuckling) create large pillowing deflections between stringers

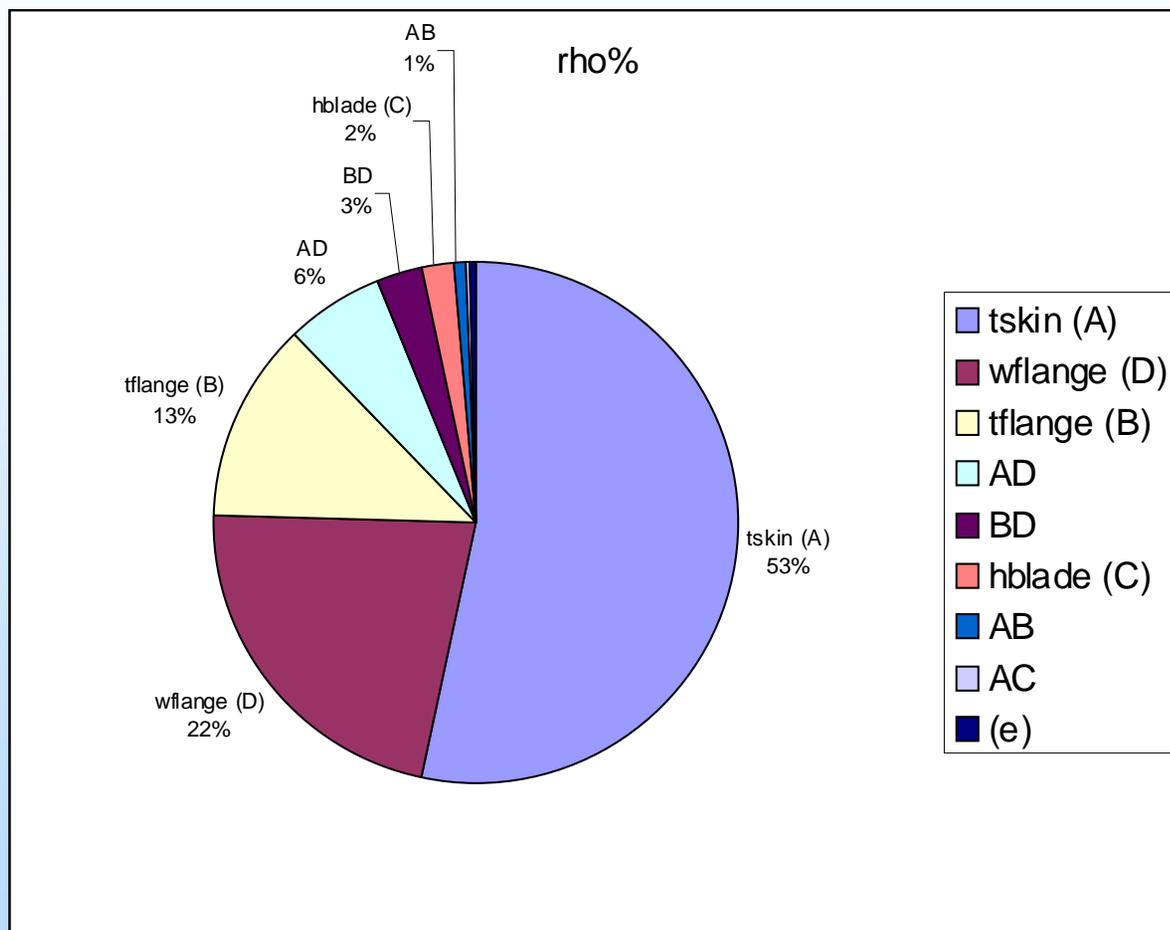


These deflections create high moments at the skin-to-stringer bondline. The loads don't vary tremendously along the length – can be analyzed as a 2D problem using the maximum loads (conservative)



RDCS Edge of Flange Disbond Study

ANOVA Results

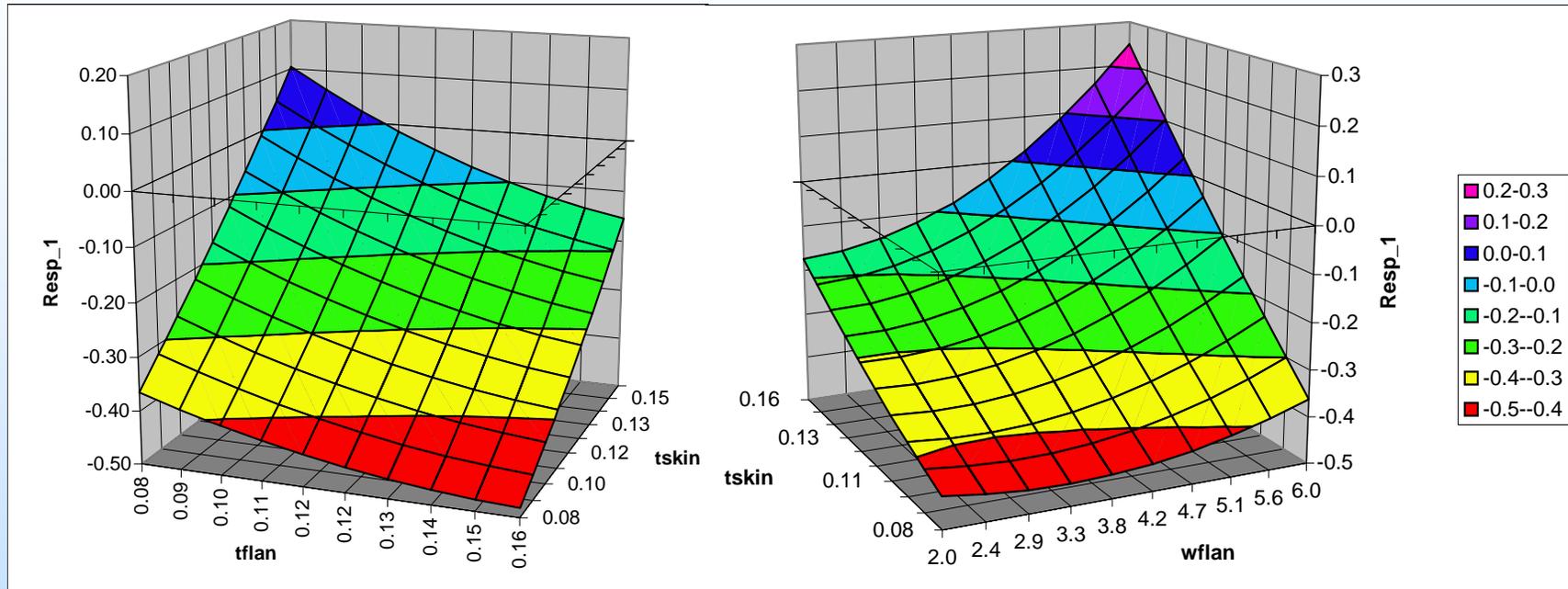


The major influences are skin thickness, flange width, flange thickness, and their interactions



RDCS Edge of Flange Disbond Study

Interaction Results

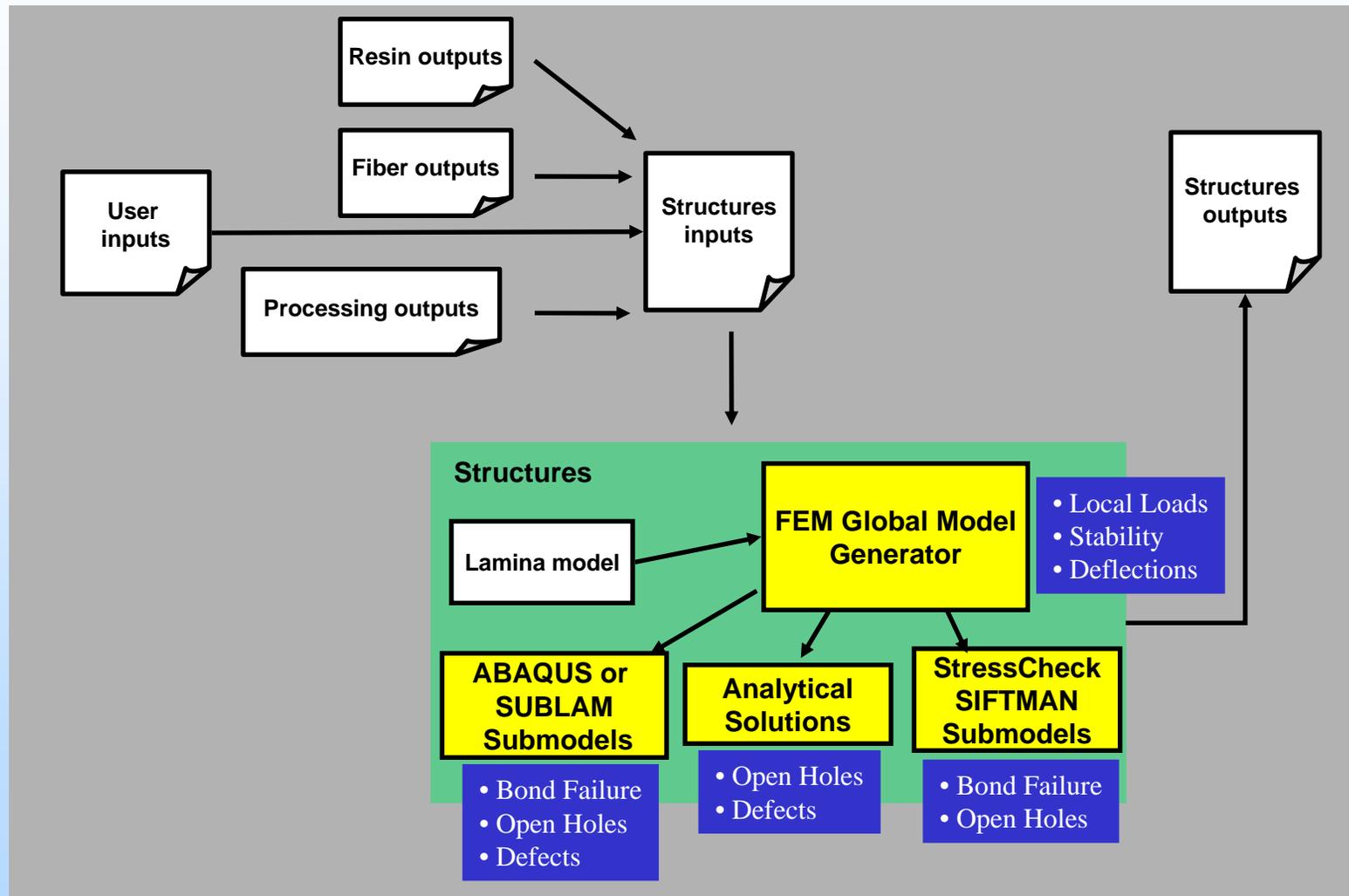


- Best edge-of-flange peel margin of safety is when skin is thick and flange is thin
- Flange width has a much greater effect on the margin when skins are thick. The effect is highly nonlinear.



Schematic of Design/Analysis Framework

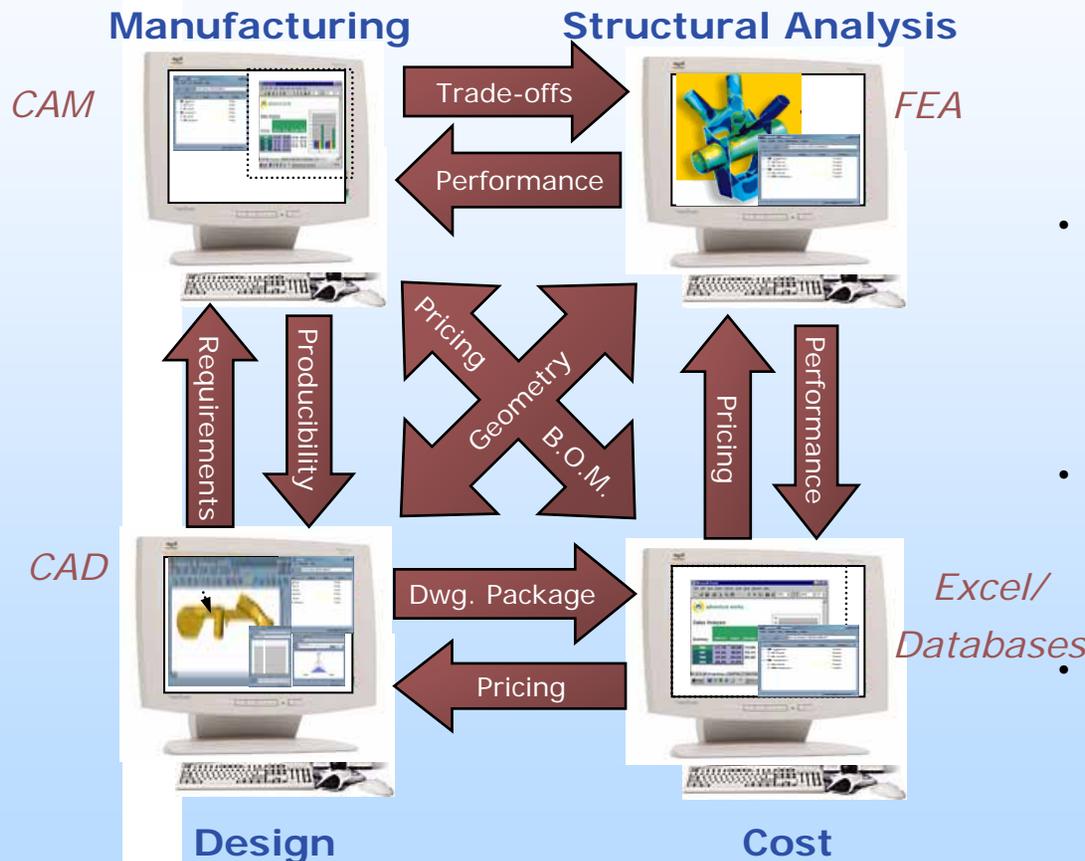
Long term Strategy





The Oculus Integration System

CO™: A Plug & Play Modeling Environment



- **Integrates Data and Software Applications on-the-fly**
 - Drag & Drop, Plug & Play
 - Simple to create, modify, manage, maintain
- **Enables Real-time data sharing between applications**
 - Secure
 - Controlled
 - Intra/Internet
- **Platform Independent**
 - Distributed
 - Neutral to Platforms and Applications
- **Increases Value of Previous Investments**
 - Software
 - Hardware
 - Networks



Oculus Models

The screenshot displays two windows from the CO Engine software. The left window, titled 'CO Engine at flanagan - CO', shows a tree view of the model structure under 'AIM (Structures Module)'. The right window, titled 'Open Hole - CO', shows a detailed view of the 'Open Hole' model's functional modules.

Currently 3 models on MSC's Engine

Name	Active	Policy	View
AIM (Structures Module)		View	
Open Hole	active	View	
Point Stress	active	View	
Run_Server	active	View	

Functional modules within the Open Hole model

Name	Value	Units	Policy	View
Variables			Private	
Lamina_Batch			Private	
Laminate_MaxStrain			Private	
Dashboards			View	
Problem Definition			Public	
Process Variables			Public	
Fiber Props @ Operating Temp			Public	
Resin Props @ Operating Temp			Public	
SIFT Properties			Public	
Maximum Strain Failure Criteria			Public	
Hashin Failure Criteria			Public	
Phase Average Failure Criteria			Public	
Run	Lamina_Ba...		Execute	
Lamina Relations			Private	
Lamina Variables			Private	
Laminate Variables			Private	
Laminate_Hashin			Private	
Laminate_PhaseAvg			Private	

Engine description
CO Engine, brought to you by Oculus



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Oculus Dashboards

The image displays two side-by-side software windows. The left window, titled "Problem Definition - CO", contains input parameters for a simulation. The right window, titled "Hashin Failure Criteria - CO", displays the resulting failure data for three different theta angles.

Input dashboard: Problem Definition

Problem Definition: Public

Lamina method: 1 unitless

Operating Temp: 70 degree fahrenheit z offset: 0.000E0

Number of plies: 8 unitless

Layup Info (Material ID (1), Thickn):

	0	1	2
0	1	0.008	45
1	1	0.008	0.000E0
2	1	0.008	-45
3	1	0.008	90
4	1	0.008	90
5	1	0.008	-45
6	1	0.008	0.000E0
7	1	0.008	90

of Load Sets: 3 unitless

Open Hole Info:

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0.125	640	0.000E0	0.000E0	0.160
1	0.125	640	0.000E0	0.000E0	0.160
2	0.125	640	0.000E0	0.000E0	0.160
3	0.000E0	0.000E0	0.000E0	0.000E0	0.000E0

Run

Output dashboard: Hashin failure info for OHT

Hashin Failure Criteria: Public

Theta = 0 degrees

Parameter	Value	Unitless
failedPlyMatrix1	1	unitless
loadFactorMatrix1	44.857	unitless
failedPlyFirstFiber1	4	unitless
loadFactorFirstFiber1	32.560	unitless
failedPlyLastFiber1	7	unitless
loadFactorLastFiber1	104.658	unitless

Theta = 45 degrees

Parameter	Value	Unitless
failedPlyMatrix2	4	unitless
loadFactorMatrix2	7.459	unitless
failedPlyFirstFiber2	3	unitless
loadFactorFirstFiber2	9.915	unitless
failedPlyLastFiber2	1	unitless
loadFactorLastFiber2	1066.754	unitless

Theta = 90 degrees

Parameter	Value	Unitless
failedPlyMatrix3	4	unitless
loadFactorMatrix3	4.490	unitless
failedPlyFirstFiber3	1	unitless
loadFactorFirstFiber3	7.378	unitless
failedPlyLastFiber3	8	unitless
loadFactorLastFiber3	88.083	unitless



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Structures - Hat Stiffened Panel (HSP)

Design/Analysis Procedure

- HSP is a large-scale, complex, detailed design problem
Draw on multiple AIM-C modules.
- Accurate results require very fine grid mesh or small element sizes
Problem is too large in scale to model with one finite element
Thus, a combination of global and local models will be used.
- Submodeling or local modeling capture design details and mfg. defects
Submodels are finely meshed cutouts of the global model.
Global Model results feed the submodels



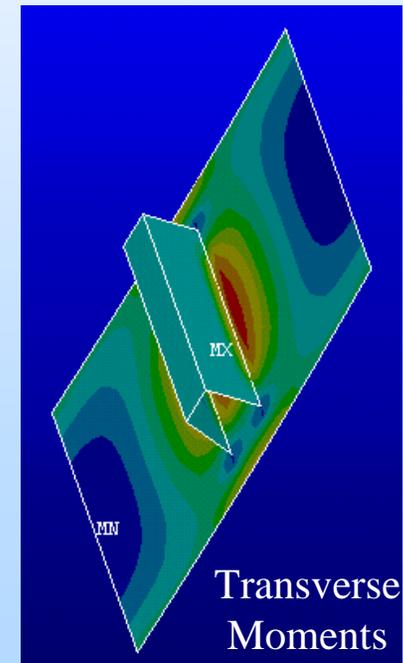
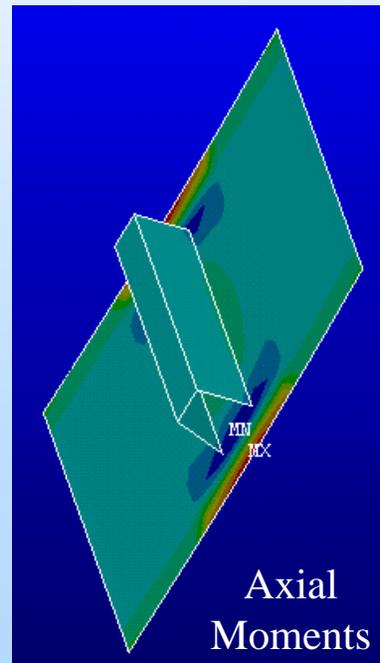
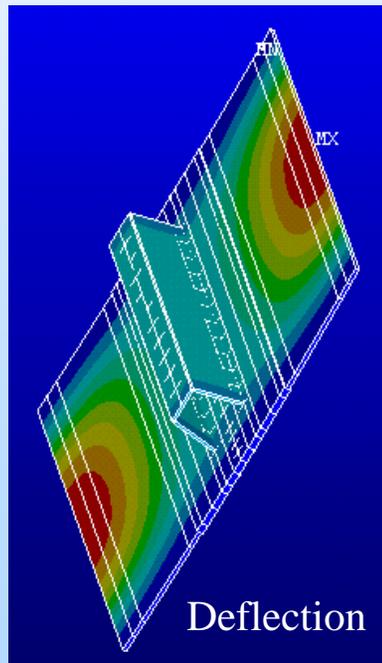
Parametric Global Structures Module

What do you gain from the Global Models?

- Accurate Load Distribution – Failures depend on correct local loads
- Identification of Local Model Requirements
- Easy assessment of Multiple Load Cases
- Rapid Design Iteration – Ability to perform quick geometry trades
- Assessment of Global Failure Modes – Stability, Deflection

How do they work? Demonstration using a simple one-bay hat model in ANSYS

- Model and run a baseline...Hat under pressure (Linear)

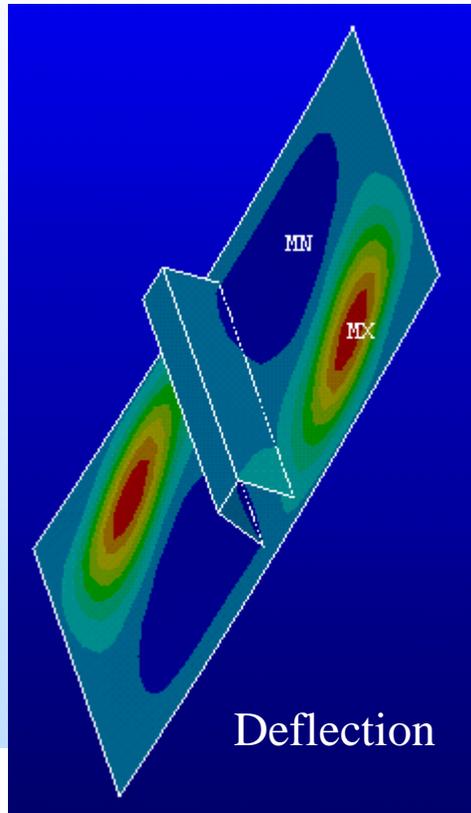




Parametric Global Structures Module Demonstration

Global and Local Failure Modes

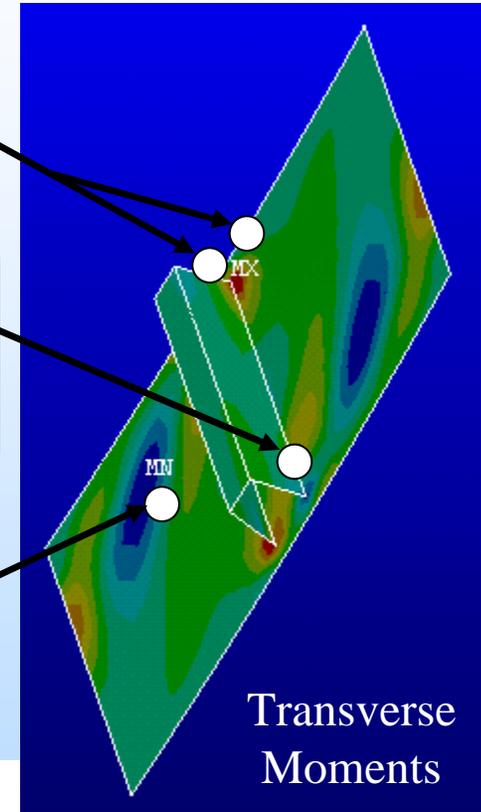
Another load case...Hat under in-plane shear ($2500\mu\epsilon$)
(Nonlinear Large Deflection Solution)



Local Bondline Failure at Noodle Or Edge-of-Flange?

Radius Bending or Bow Wave Defect Failure?

OHC Strain Exceeded?



- Not buckled yet, but significant bending due to the eccentricity of the stiffener is beginning to form the first buckling mode shape. Max deflection is 0.034". Okay for Aero?

- Identify local model requirements.



Local Models

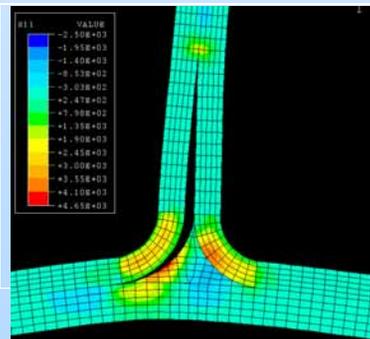
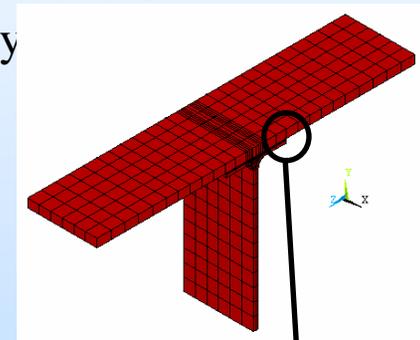
Design Details

Local Models are used to perform detailed analysis in an area of interest, usually
A potential failure location – often an area of high loading near a structural discontinuity

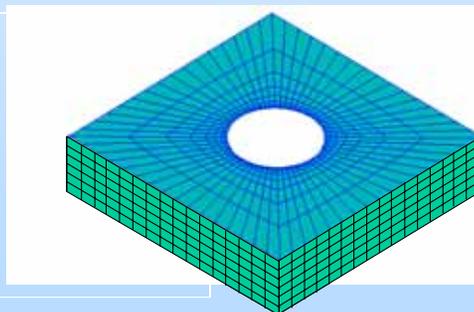
Two kinds of Local Models:

1. Design Details – a designed-in structural feature (e.g., Open Hole, Edge of Flange)
2. Mfg. Defect – an undesired “feature” produced as a side-effect of the manufacturing process (e.g., waviness, delamination, porosity)

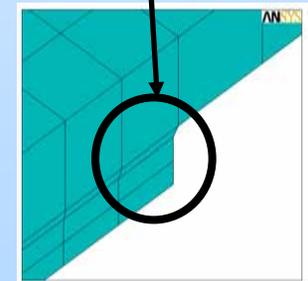
Local Models for Design Details:



“Noodle” Models



Open Hole Models

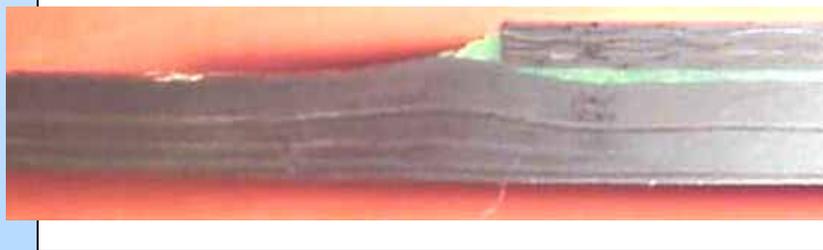


Edge-of-Flange Models

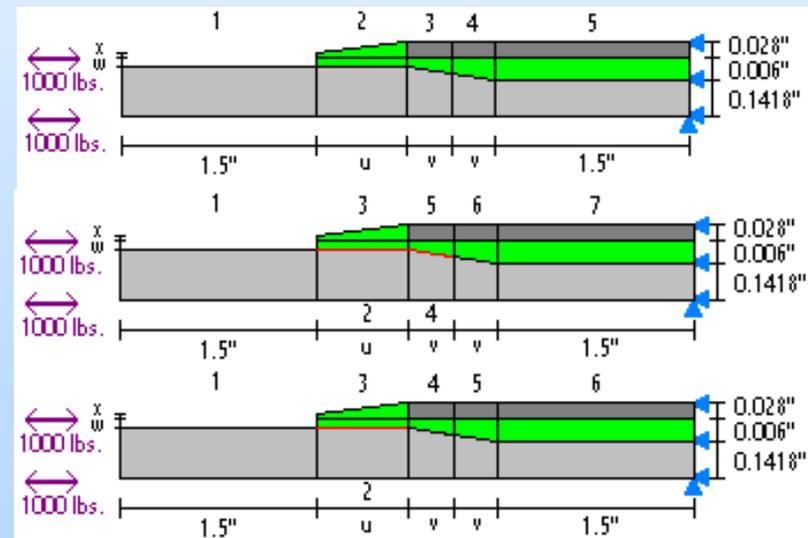


Bow Wave Defect Analysis Using SUBLAM Linked to RDCS

- SUBLAM was incorporated into RDCS to demonstrate the concept of creating a suite of “defect analysis handbooks” to be inserted in the AIM-C CAT.
- Full factorial design space scans were conducted to compute the sensitivity of local stresses and energy release rates under tensile and compressive loads to four geometric variables.



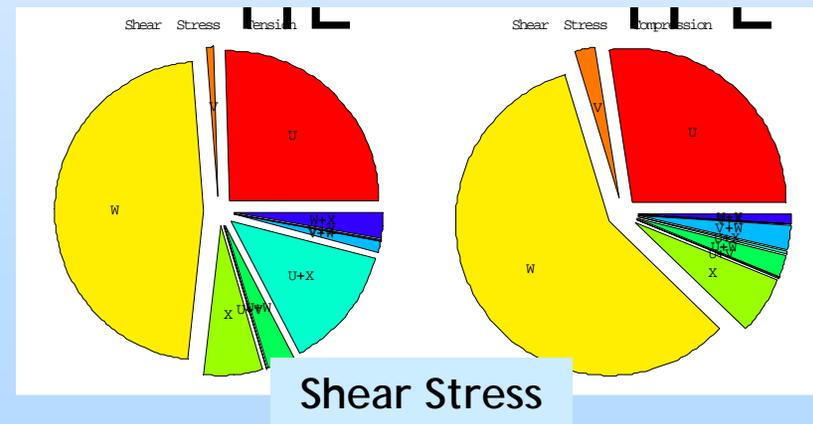
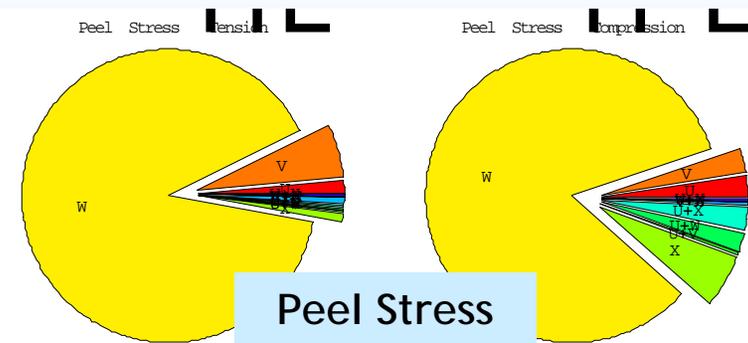
Variable		Lower Limit	Center Value	Upper Limit
<i>u</i>	Resin pool length	0.05”	0.175”	0.3”
<i>v</i>	Bow-wave length	0.05”	0.125”	0.2”
<i>w</i>	Adhesive thickness	0.0005”	0.00325”	0.006”
<i>x</i>	Resin pool height	0.0005”	0.01425”	0.028”





Bow Wave Defect Analysis – Sample Results

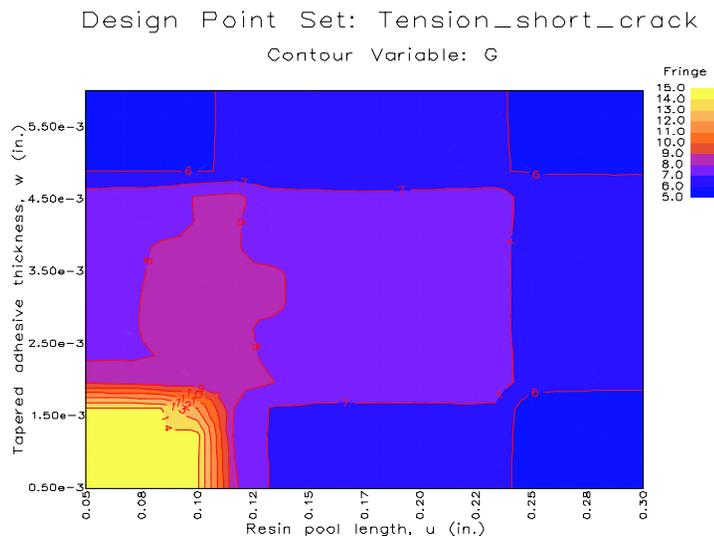
- Peel and shear stresses driven by adhesive thickness and resin pool length.
- Relative contributions depend only slightly on whether load is tensile or compressive.
- Some significant two-way interactions for shear stress, viz., resin pool length and height.
- Bow wave length not a big driver for range studied.



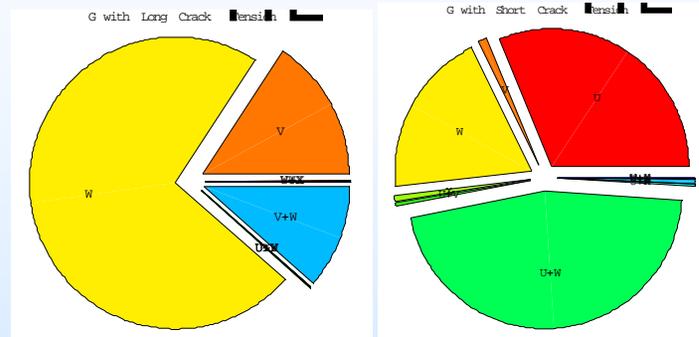


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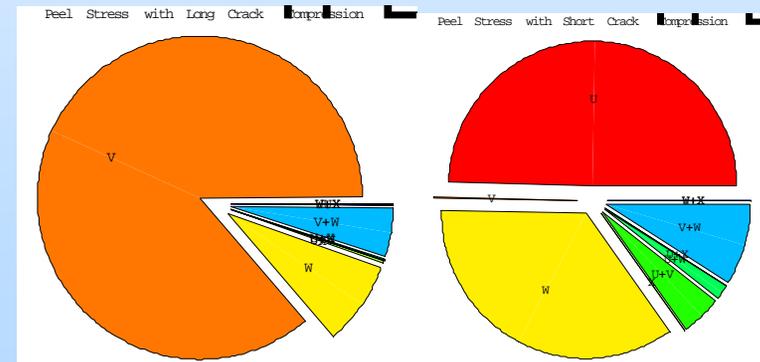
- Contributions to ERR (G) strongly dependent on whether load is tensile or compressive and initial crack (defect) size.



G (in-lbs/in²) for tensile load as a function of initial defect size and adhesive thickness.



Tension



Compression