

Robustness Analysis with LS-OPT[®]

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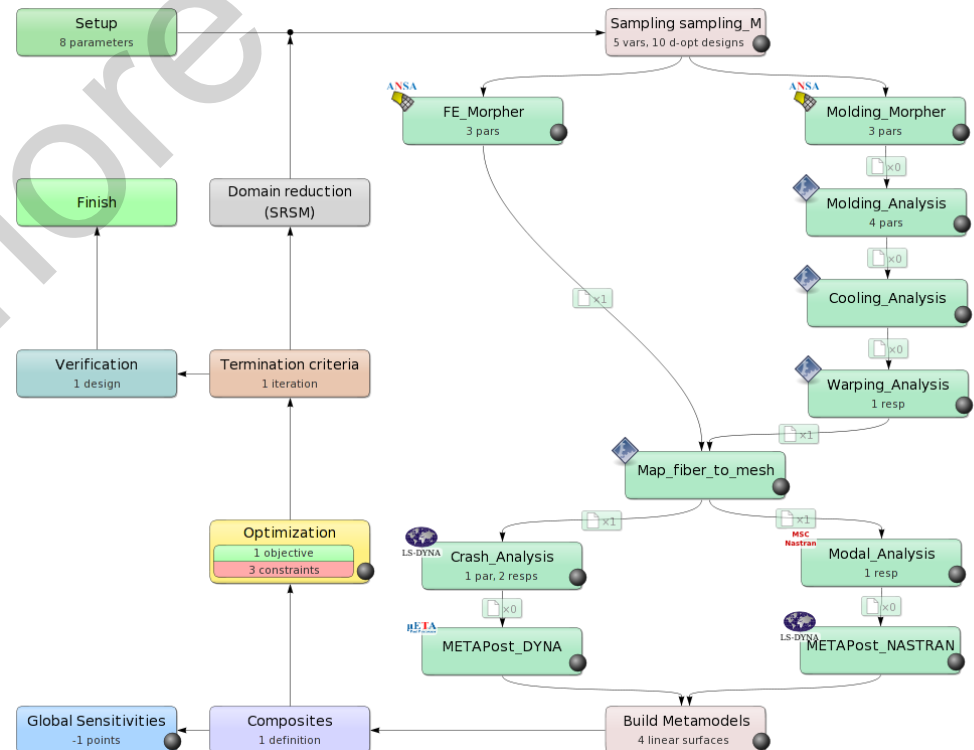
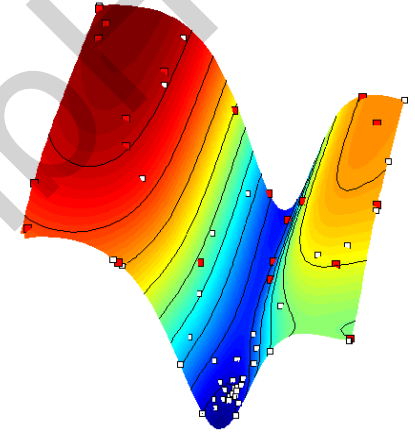
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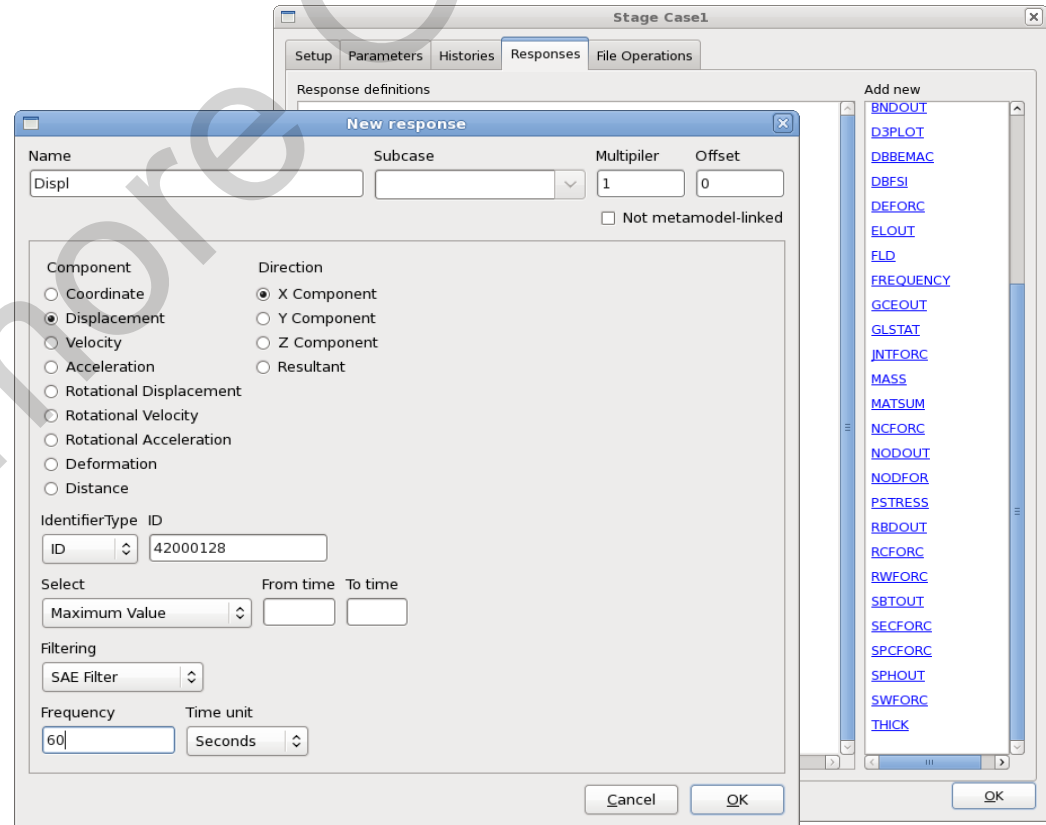
About LS-OPT

- LS-OPT is a standalone optimization software
 - can be linked to any simulation code
 - Interface to LS-DYNA, MSC-Nastran, Excel, Matlab
 - User-defined interface
 - Interfaces to preprocessors, e.g. for shape optimization
 - Interface to LS-PrePost, ANSA, Hypermorph, ...
 - User-defined interface to any preprocessor
 - Result extraction
 - Interface to META Post
 - User-defined interface



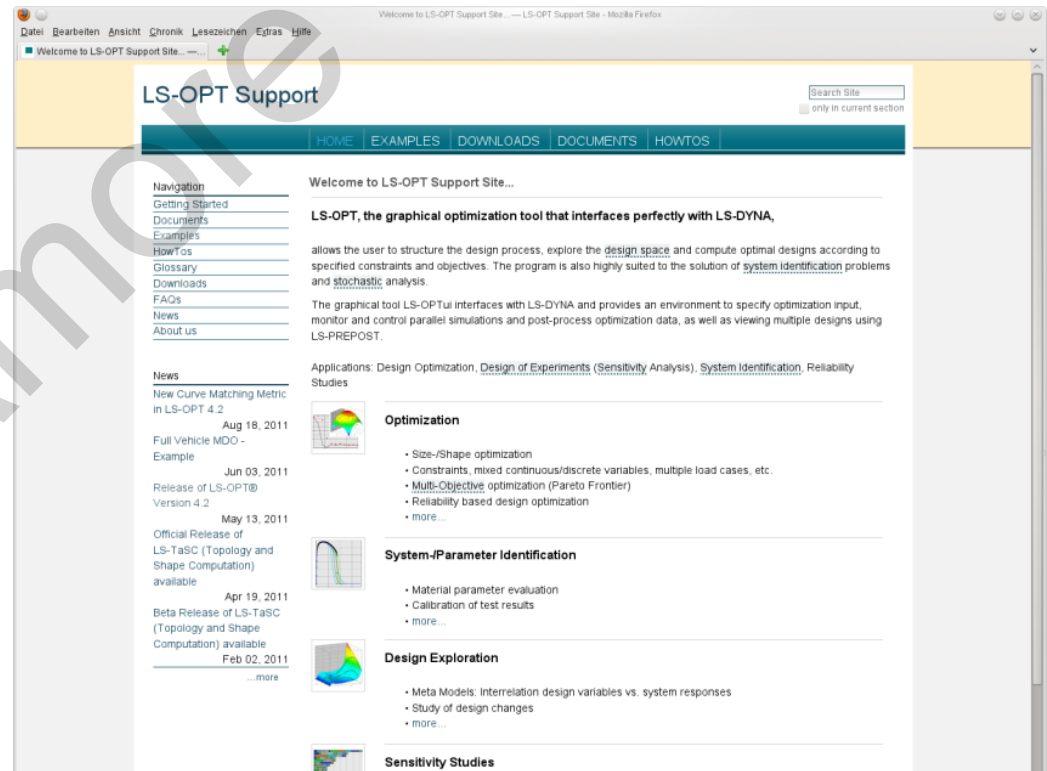
About LS-OPT

- LS-DYNA Integration
 - Checking of LS-DYNA keyword files (*DATABASE_)
 - Importation of design parameters from LS-DYNA keyword files (*PARAMETER)
 - Support of include files (*INCLUDE)
 - Monitoring of LS-DYNA progress
 - Result extraction of most LS-DYNA response types
 - D3plot compression (node and part selection)



About LS-OPT

- Current production version is LS-OPT 5.2
- LS-OPT Support web page
 - www.lsoptsupport.com
 - Download of Executables
 - Tutorials
 - HowTos / FAQs
 - Documents
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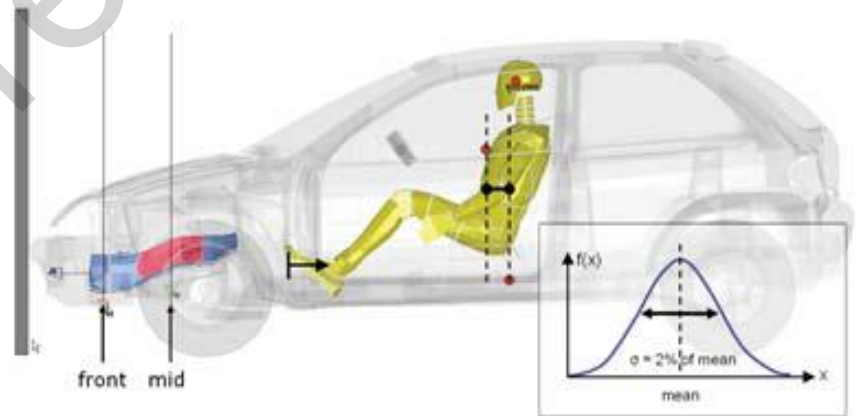


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Motivation

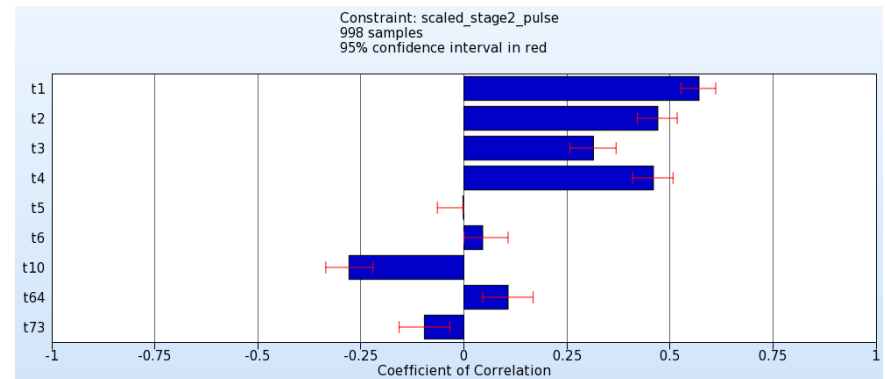
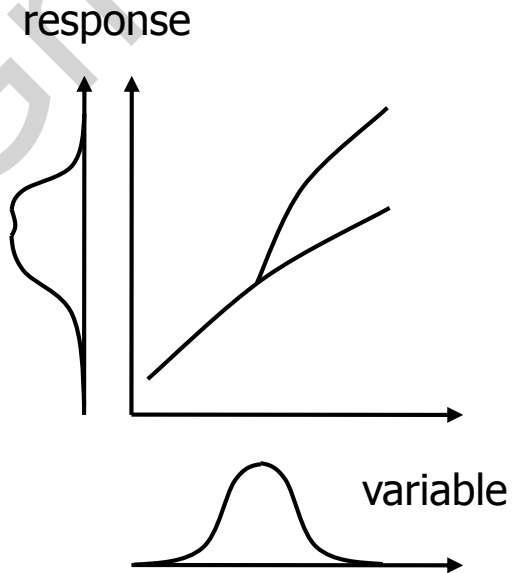
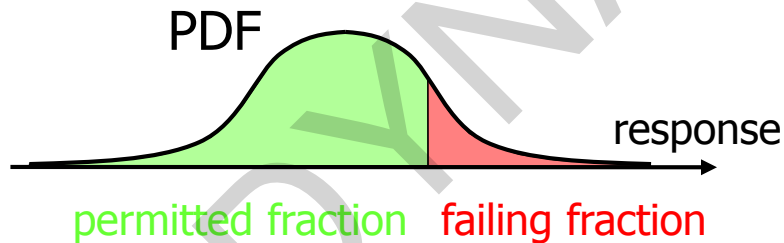
- Simulation
 - Design parameters (sheet thicknesses, material properties, ...) fully controllable
- Reality
 - Design parameters are associated with uncertainties
- Sources of uncertainties
 - Manufacturing imperfections
 - Load variations
 - Environment variations
 - ...



→ Variation of design parameters (uncertainties) should be considered in design process simulation

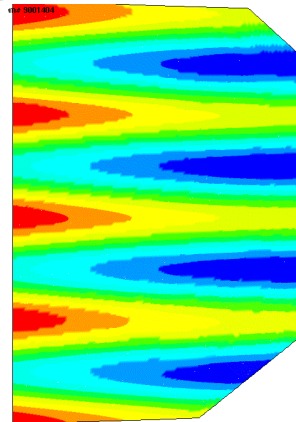
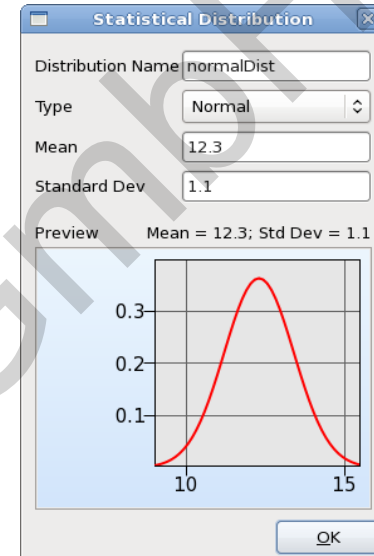
Robustness Analysis

- Estimation of probability quantities of variables and responses
 - mean
 - standard deviation
 - distribution function
- Analysis of relationship (sensitivities) variables \leftrightarrow responses
 - correlation analysis
 - stochastic contributions
- Reliability of a system
 - evaluation of probability of failure



Robustness Analysis

- Uncertainties of variables (sheet thicknesses, material properties, ...)
 - Probability density function
 - Uniform distribution
 - Normal distribution
 - ...
 - *PERTURBATION (LS-DYNA keyword)
 - Geometric imperfections
 - Material imperfections
- Buckling analysis



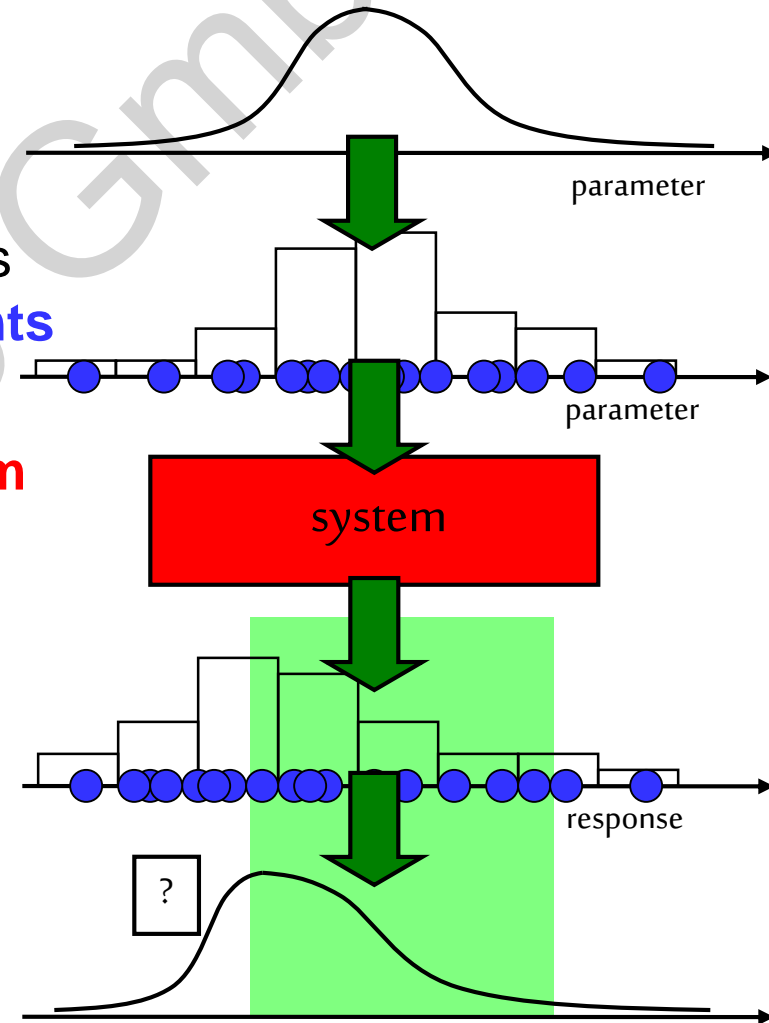
sheet thickness variation by a
harmonic random field,
amplitude: $m=0, s=0.005\text{mm}$
in both directions

LS-DYNA Keyword

*PERTURBATION

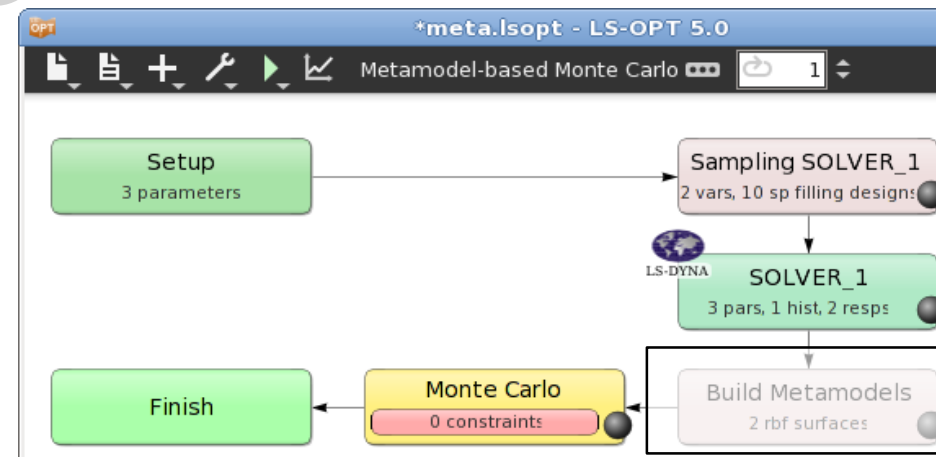
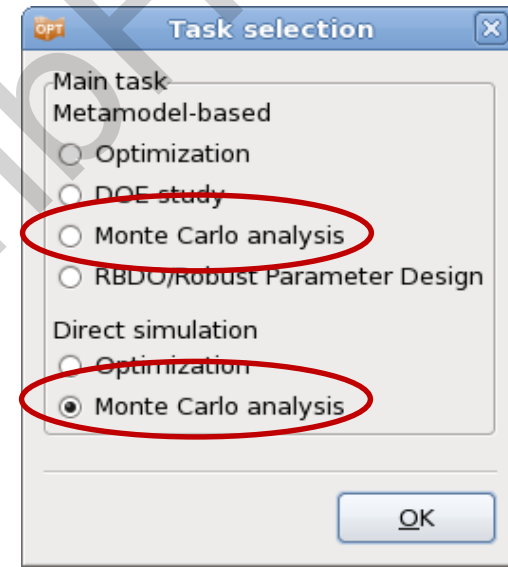
Robustness Analysis

- Scatter of parameters constituted by means of probability distributions
- Approximation of probability distributions using appropriate *samples* = **experiments**
- Investigation of the *FEA-model* = **system** using experiments
- Distribution of the system **responses**
→ Approximation to *exact* distribution
- **Permitted area**



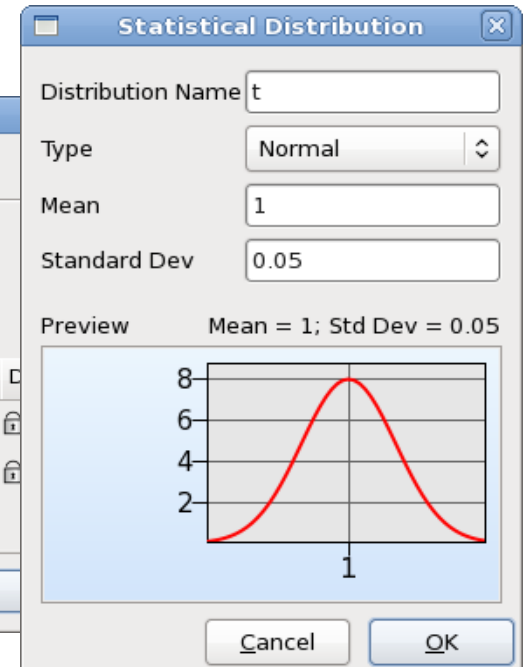
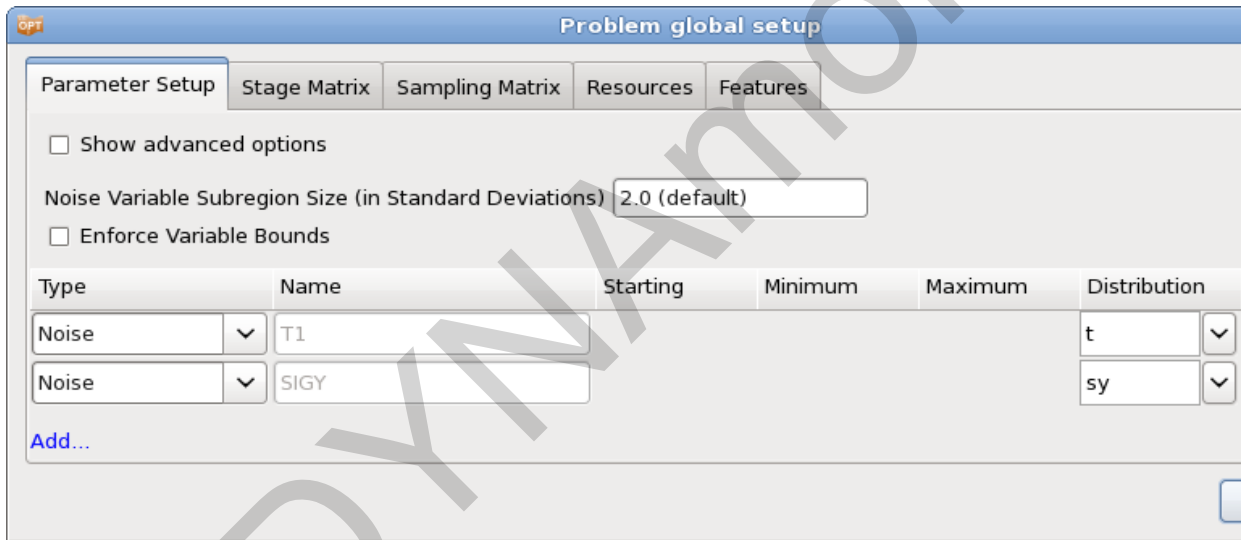
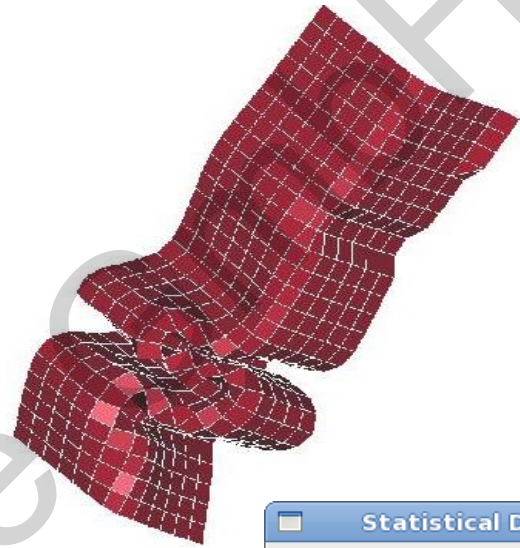
Robustness Analysis

- Monte Carlo Analysis using direct simulations
 - Random process
 - Large number of simulation runs (100+)
- Monte Carlo Analysis using metamodels
 - Construction of a metamodel (Polynomials, Radial Basis Functions, Feedforward Neural Networks, ...)
 - Number of simulations depends on number of variables
 - Reliability, Robustness Analysis through functional evaluation of sampling points (10^6) on the metamodel



Example

- Tube impact
- Variables (Noise variables)
 - Thickness
 - Scale factor of stress-strain curve
- Response
 - Intrusion



Live demonstration

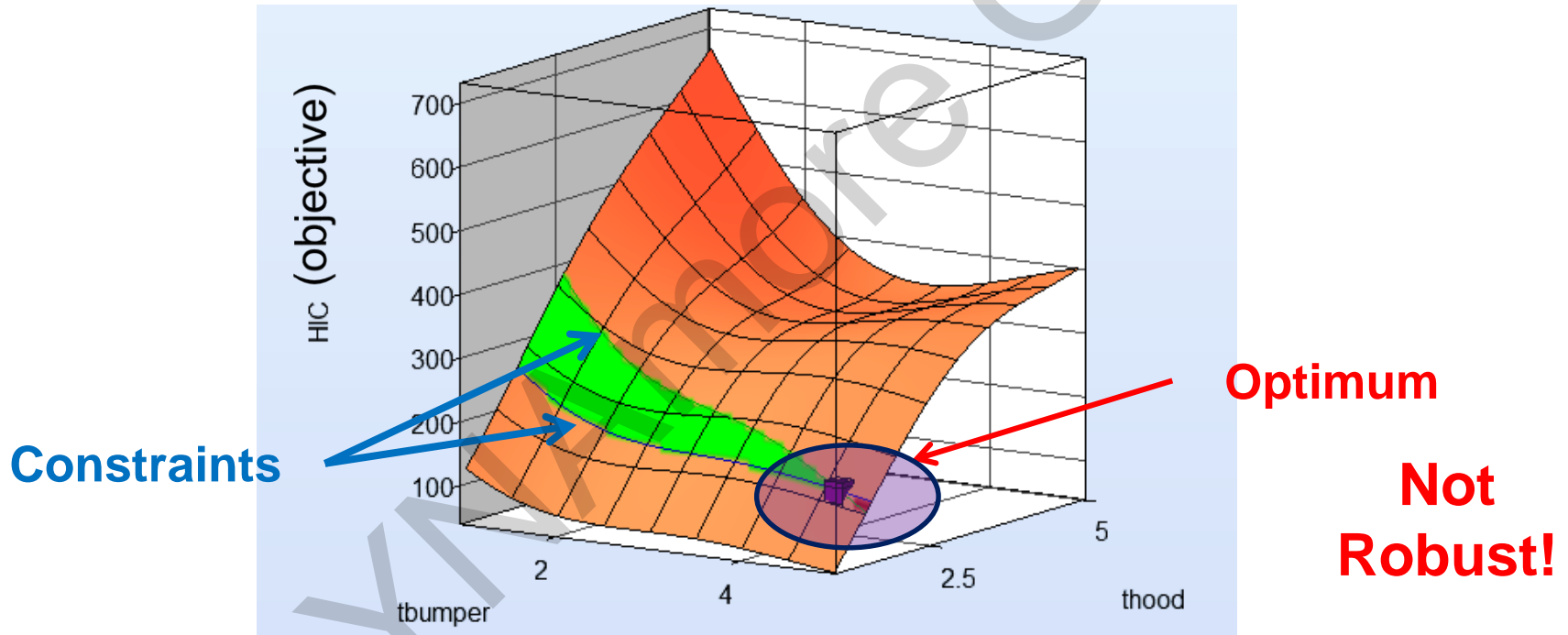
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Optimization considering uncertainties

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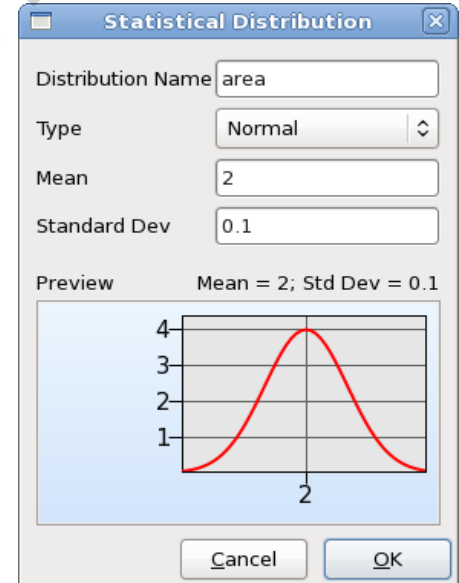
Optimization

- Deterministic optimization
 - Minimize Objective Function subject to Constraints
 - Optimum very often lies on the constraint boundary



RBDO/Robust Parameter Design

- Includes uncertainty of variables and responses into optimization
- Requires statistical distribution of variables
- **Control Variables (Design Parameters)**
 - Nominal value controlled by designer
 - Gauge
 - Shape
- **Noise Variables (Environment)**
 - Values not controlled by designer but can vary
 - Load
 - Yield stress
 - Friction

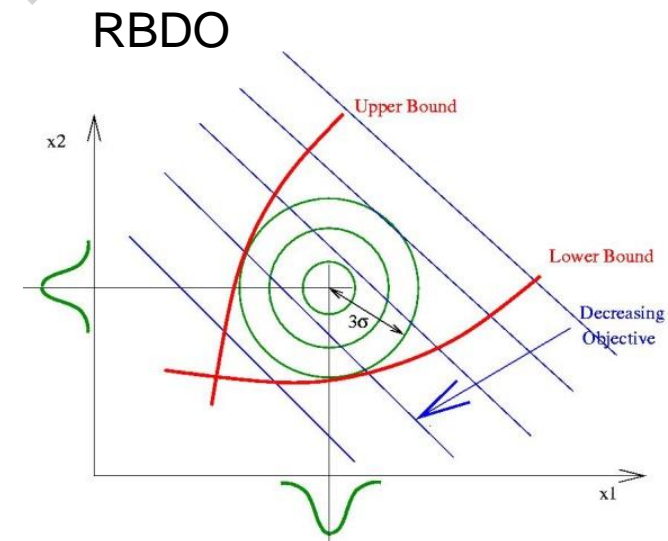
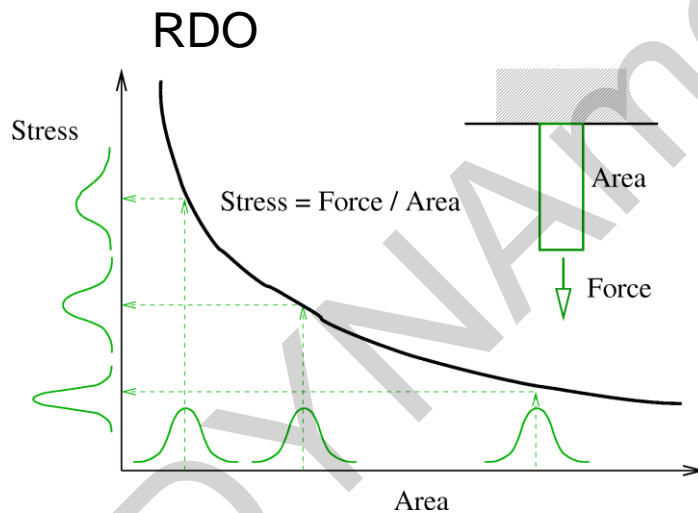


Problem global setup dialog box showing parameter setup for 'Area' and 'Base'.

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Continuous	Base	0.8	0.1	1.6	(none)	⚠ x

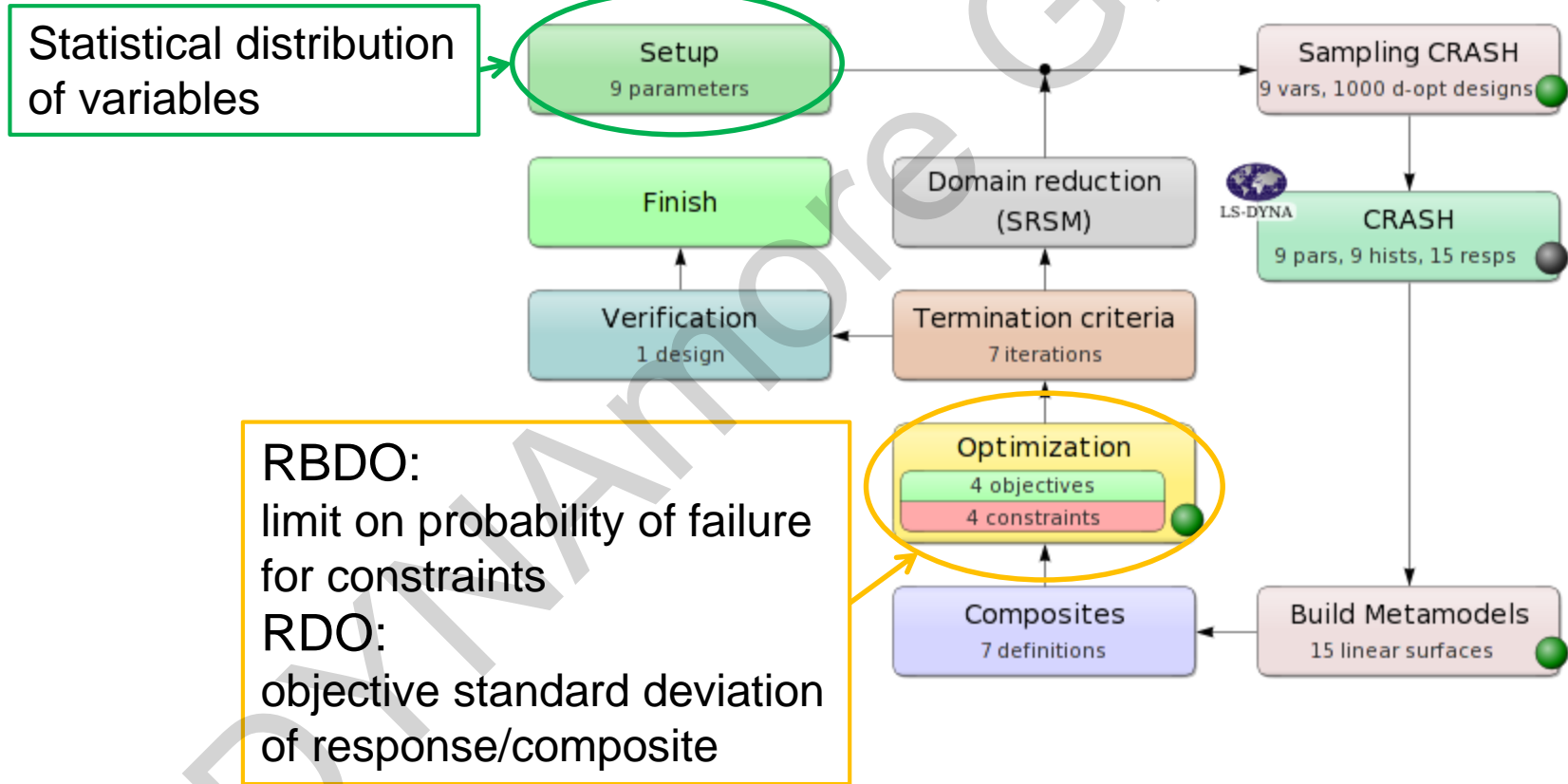
RBDO/Robust Parameter Design

- Robust Parameter Design (RDO)
 - Improve/Maximize the robustness of the optimum
- Reliability Based Design Optimization (RBDO)
 - Improve failure probability of optimum



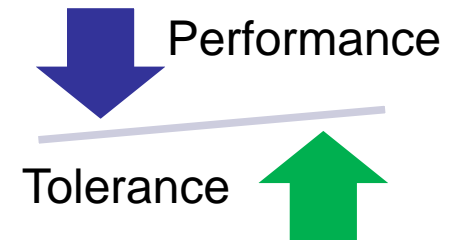
RBDO/Robust Parameter Design

- Method to solve RBDO/RDO
 - Metamodel-based optimization



Tolerance Optimization

- RBDO/RDO
 - Variables associated with distribution
 - Mean variable values (distribution means) are optimized
- Tolerance Optimization
 - Variables associated with tolerance values
 - Optimize nominal design variables **and tolerances**
 - Maximize tolerance
 - No failure within tolerance
 - incorporate uncertainties into optimization if variable distributions are not available



Summary

- Monte Carlo Analysis (Robustness Analysis)
 - Direct or metamodel based
 - Estimation of PDF, mean, standard deviation, ... of responses
 - Significance of parameters
 - Correlation coefficients
 - Stochastic contribution (only metamodel based MC Analysis)
 - Reliability of system
 - Confidence intervals
 - Buckling Analysis
 - DYNASTats: fringe of statistics on the FE model

Summary

- Reliability Based Design Optimization (RBDO)
 - Probabilistic bounds on constraints
- Robust Parameter Design
 - Minimize Standard Deviation of response
- Tolerance Optimization
 - Incorporate uncertainties into optimization if no distribution information of the variables is available
 - Maximize tolerance
 - no failure within tolerance

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