

Developments in LS-DYNA for Metal Forming Simulation

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Improvements to *ELEMENT_LANCING

Keywords: *ELEMENT_LANCING, *DEFINE_CURVE_TRIM_3D

- Specify instant or progressive lancing
- Define lancing curves

Drawbacks

- Only 1 part (PID) is allowed
- Only X, Y, Z data pairs are allowed to define lancing curves
- No adaptive refinement along lancing route
- Lanced scraps cannot be removed
- Lancing start point cannot be defined directly using distance from punch bottom.

Enhancements

- A part set is now allowed, which enables lancing across tailor-welded blanks.
- IGES format curves can now be used as input to define the lancing route.
- Meshes along the lanced boundary is now automatically adapted to provide a smooth edge.
- Trimming now can be defined after lancing to remove the scrap. This is done with the new keyword *DEFINE_LANCE_SEED_POINT_COORDINATES.
- Lancing activation distance can now be defined using a new variable CIVD.

negative IDPT: part set ID

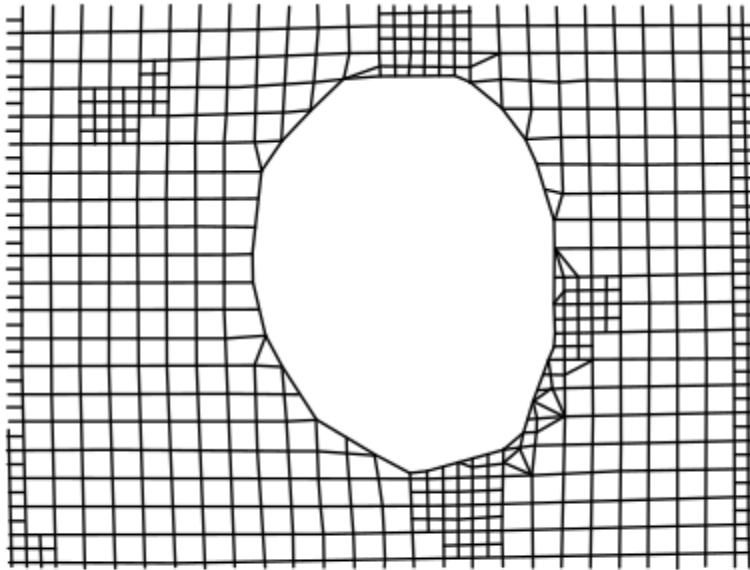
IREFINE activated, =1

AT, ENDT=distance from punch bottom if CIVD is used.

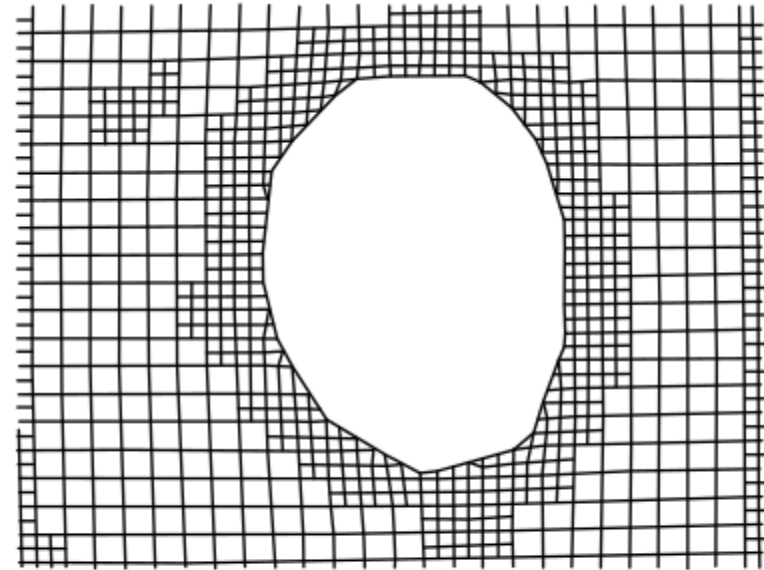
CIVD: load curve ID under *BOUNDARY_PRESCRIBED_MOTION_RIGID

→ Card-1α	1α	2α	3α	4α	5α	6α	7α	8α
Variableα	IDPTα	IDCVα	IREFINEα	SMINα	ATα	ENDTα	NTIMESα	CIVDα
Typeα	Iα	Iα	Iα	Fα	Fα	Fα	Iα	Iα
Defaultα	noneα	noneα	1α	noneα	noneα	noneα	noneα	noneα

- Automatic mesh refinement along the lancing curves
- To improve the mesh quality

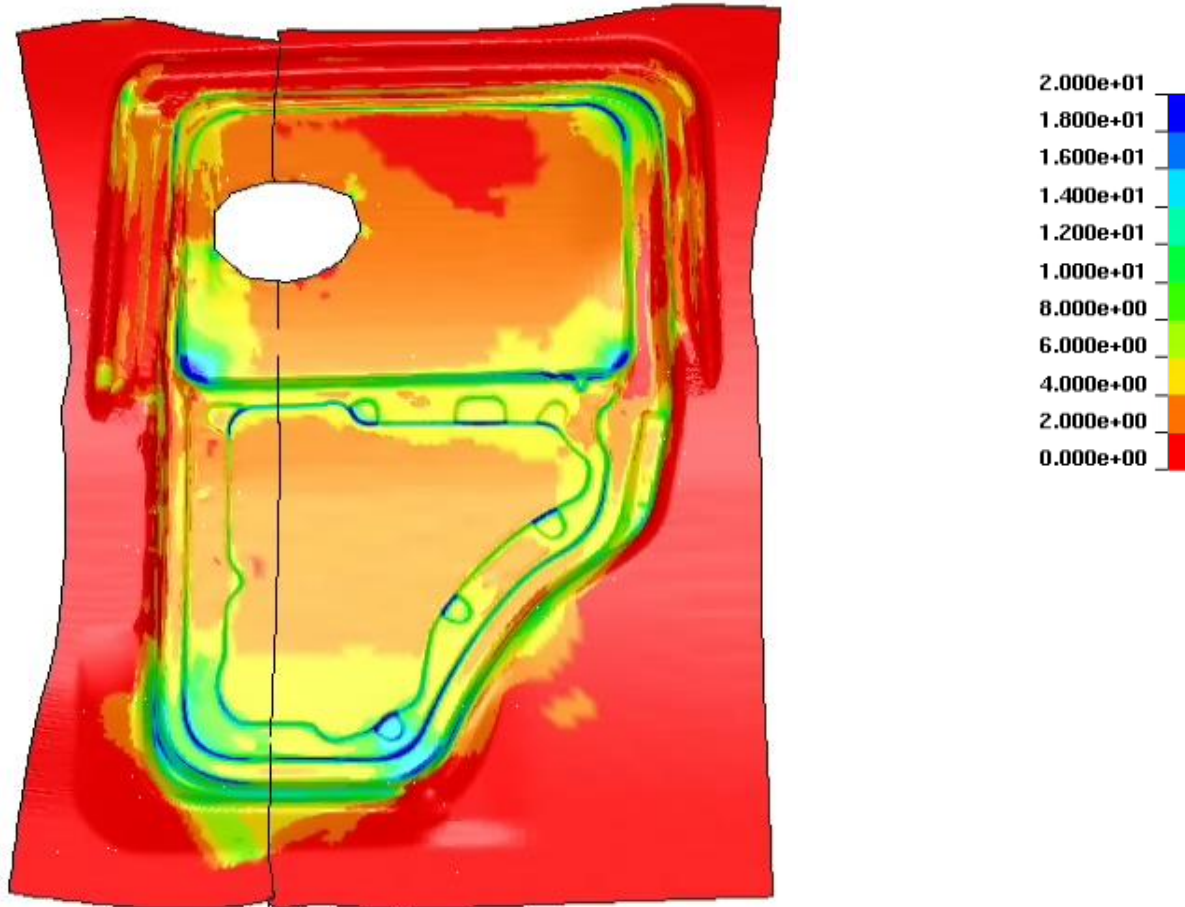


Lanced mesh prior to
Revision 107708



Improved lanced boundary mesh with
IREFINE=1 after Revision 107708

- Lancing across laser welded line using negative IDPT.
- Lancing scrap removal.
- Automatic mesh refinement along lancing route.



Lancing in Hot Forming

LS-DYNA keyword deck by LS-Prepost

Time = 0, #nodes=60831, #elem=65566

Contours of Temperature

min=313, at node# 1

max=1000, at node# 60832

Temperature

1.000e+03

9.428e+02

8.855e+02

8.283e+02

7.710e+02

7.138e+02

6.565e+02

5.993e+02

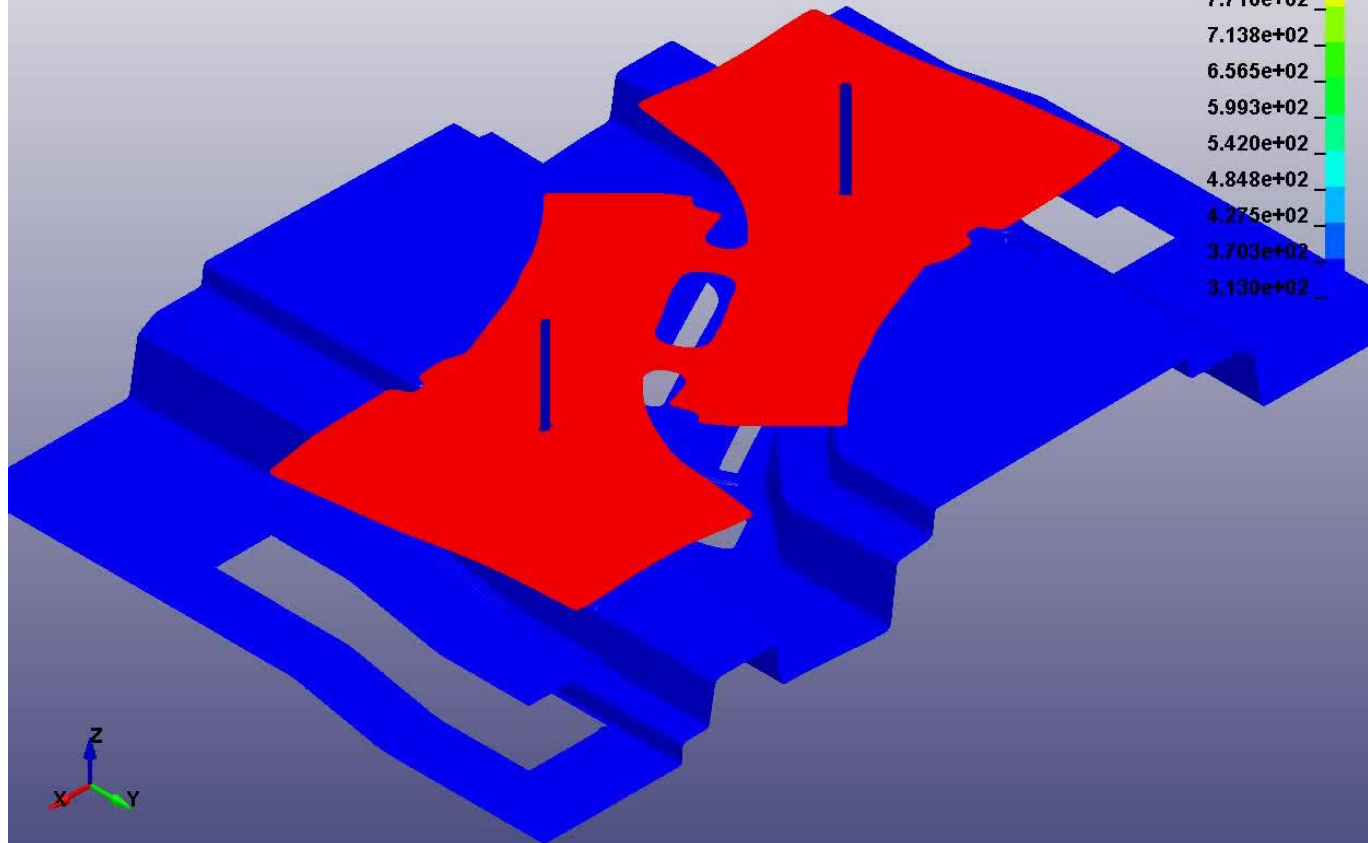
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4.848e+02

4.275e+02

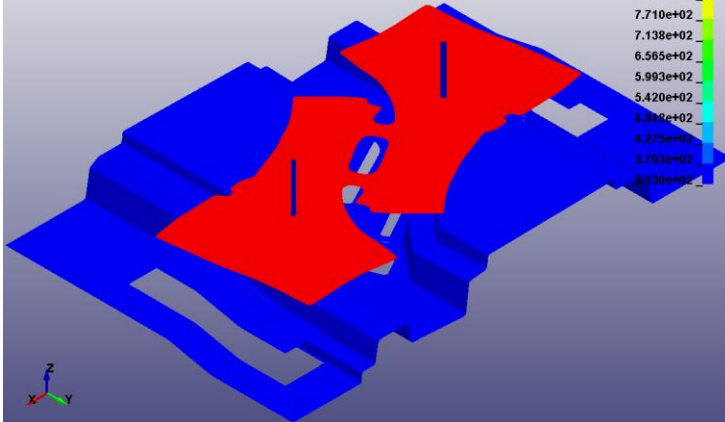
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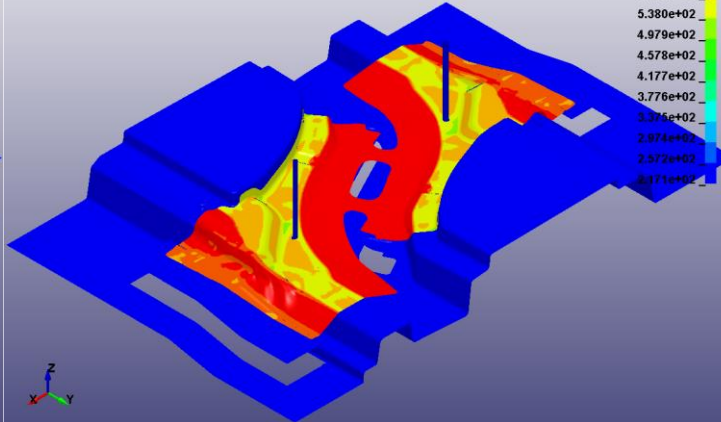
LS-DYNA keyword deck by LS-Prepost
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Contours of Temperature
min=313, at node# 1
max=1000, at node# 60832

Temperature
1.000e+03
9.428e+02
8.855e+02
8.283e+02
7.710e+02
7.138e+02
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3.130e+02



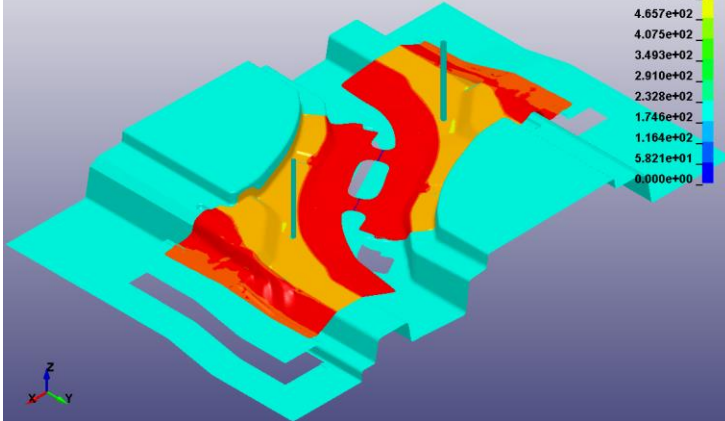
LS-DYNA keyword deck by LS-Prepost
Time = 0.0545, #nodes=221480, #elem=223360
Contours of Temperature
min=217.127, at node# 60088
max=698.509, at node# 71836

Temperature
6.985e+02
6.183e+02
5.782e+02
5.380e+02
4.979e+02
4.578e+02
4.177e+02
3.776e+02
3.376e+02
2.974e+02
2.572e+02
2.171e+02



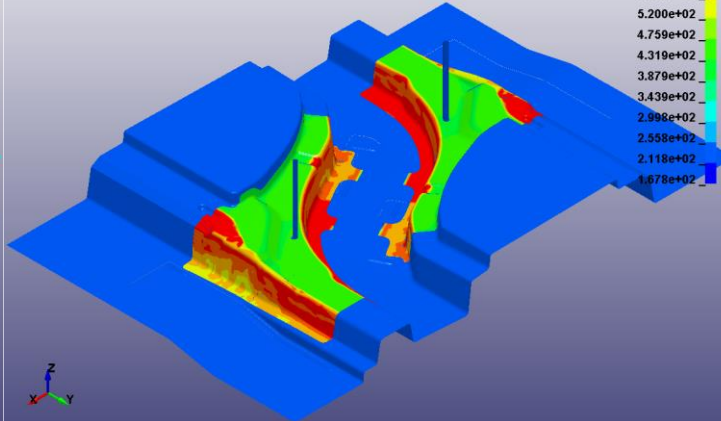
LS-DYNA keyword deck by LS-Prepost
Time = 0.0555, #nodes=221517, #elem=223374
Contours of Temperature
min=0, at node# 241425
max=698.509, at node# 71836

Temperature
6.985e+02
6.403e+02
5.821e+02
5.239e+02
4.657e+02
4.075e+02
3.493e+02
2.910e+02
2.328e+02
1.746e+02
1.164e+02
5.821e+01
0.000e+00



LS-DYNA keyword deck by LS-Prepost
Time = 0.0865, #nodes=606390, #elem=603939
Contours of Temperature
min=167.754, at node# 241441
max=696.086, at node# 78577

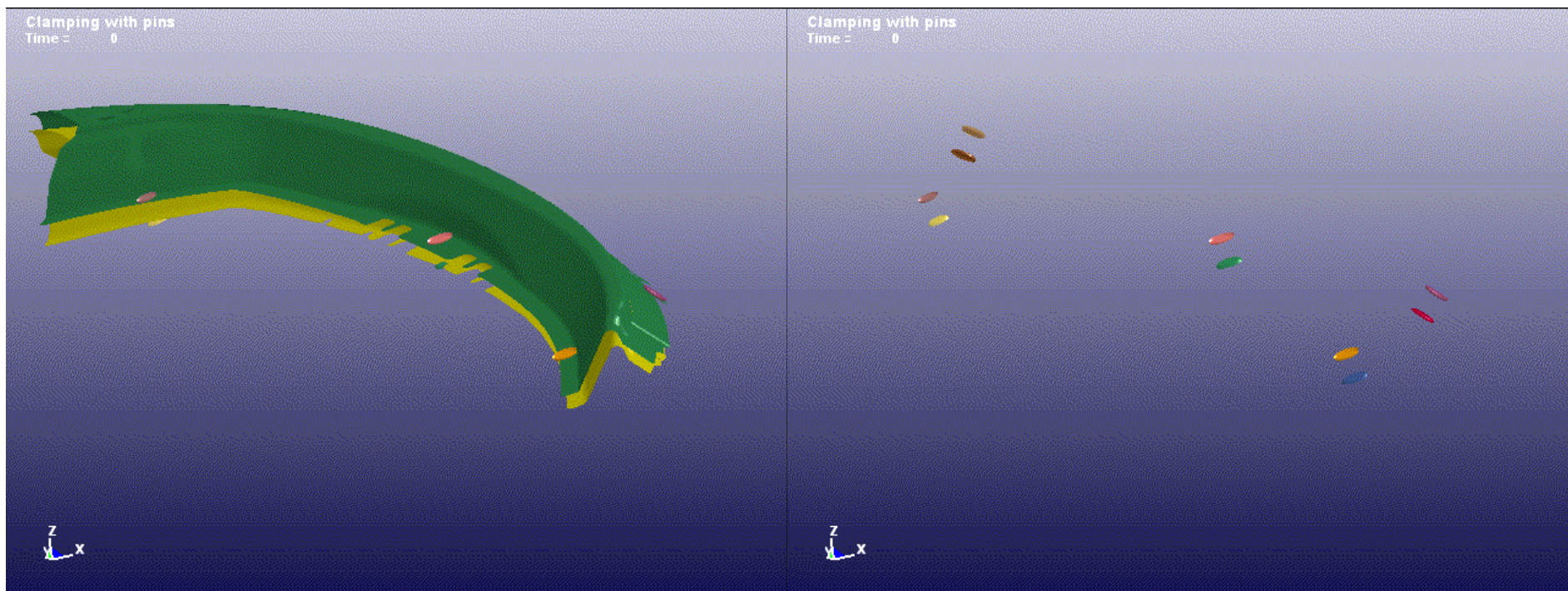
Temperature
6.961e+02
6.521e+02
6.080e+02
5.640e+02
5.200e+02
4.759e+02
4.319e+02
3.879e+02
3.439e+02
2.998e+02
2.558e+02
2.118e+02
1.678e+02



Checking Fixture Clamp Definition and Simplification of FORMING Contact Definition

Clamping Simulation

- Example of clamping simulation



Keywords:

***DEFINE_FORMING_CLAMP**

***DEFINE_FORMING_CONTACT**

Advantages:

- eliminate the need to use auto-position cards between the formed panel and clamps;
- do away with prescribed rigid body motion (*BOUNDARY... and *DEFINE_CURVE);
- simplify the contact definition between the panel and the clamps.

```

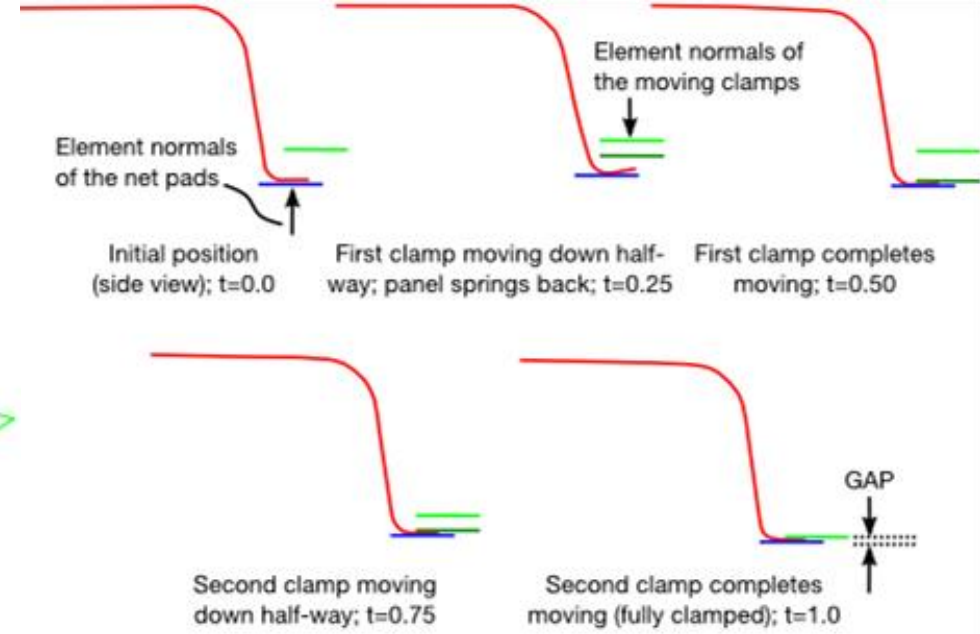
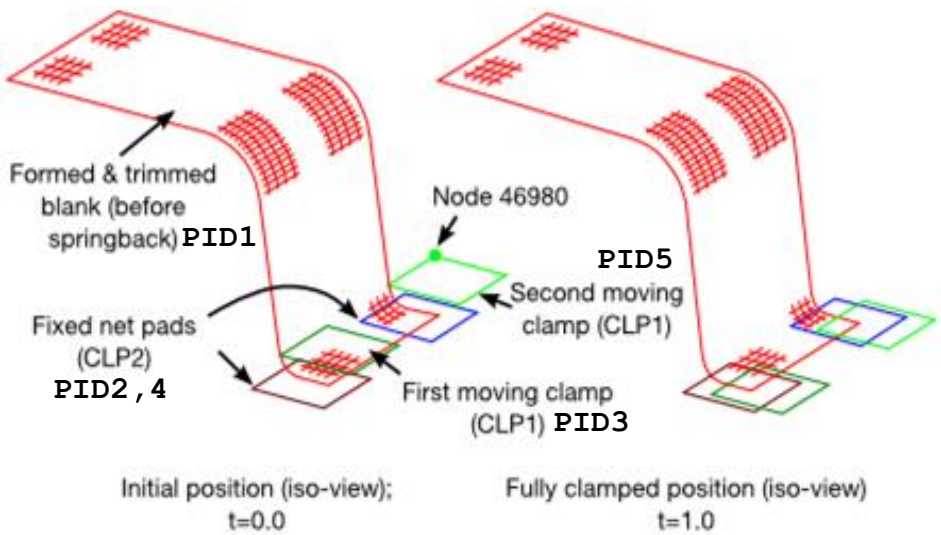
*DEFINE_FORMING_CLAMP
$ ---+---1---+---2---+---3---+---4---+---5---+---6---+---7---+---8
$   CLP1      CLP2      VID      GAP      AT      DT
      3        2      -46980    1.02     0.0     0.5
      5        4      -46980    1.02     0.5     0.5
$ ---+---1---+---2---+---3---+---4---+---5---+---6---+---7---+---8

*DEFINE_FORMING_CONTACT
$   IPS      IPM      FS      ONEWAY
      1        2      0.125    1
      1        3      0.125    1
      1        4      0.125    1
      1        5      0.125    1
  
```

Moving clamp PID **Corresponding fixed clamp PID** **Clamping direction:**
G.T.0: vector
L.T.0: nodal normal

Final clamps gap **Activation time** **Duration**

Slave PID **Master PID** **Contact friction** **Contact way**



New Options in *INTERFACE_BLANKSIZE

Keywords:

***INTERFACE_BLANKSIZE_SCALE_FACTOR**

***INTERFACE_BLANKSIZE_SYMMETRIC_PLANE**

Advantage:

- The option `SCALE_FACTOR` allows user to include or exclude a target curve in the calculation of the initial curve. It also allows user to scale up or down in size of a target curve involved in the calculation.
- The option `SYMMETRIC_PLANE` allows user to define a symmetric plane by specifying a point on the symmetric plane with X, Y, Z coordinates, and vector components for the normal of the plane.


```

*KEYWORD
*INTERFACE_BLANKSIZE_DEVELOPMENT
$ IOPTION          IADAPT
      -2          1
$ target boundary curves
targetline.k
$ final mesh
final.k
$ initial mesh
initial.k

```

Scale factor:
 0.0= not to optimize
 1.0= to optimize

Target curve #

```
*INTERFACE_BLANKSIZE_SCALE_FACTOR
```

```
1, 0.0
2, 1.0
3, 1.0
```

```
*INTERFACE_BLANKSIZE_SYMMETRIC_PLANE
```

```
$      X0          Y0          Z0
      -76      2.63844      0.38
```

```
      V1          V2          V3
      1.0          0.0          0.0
```

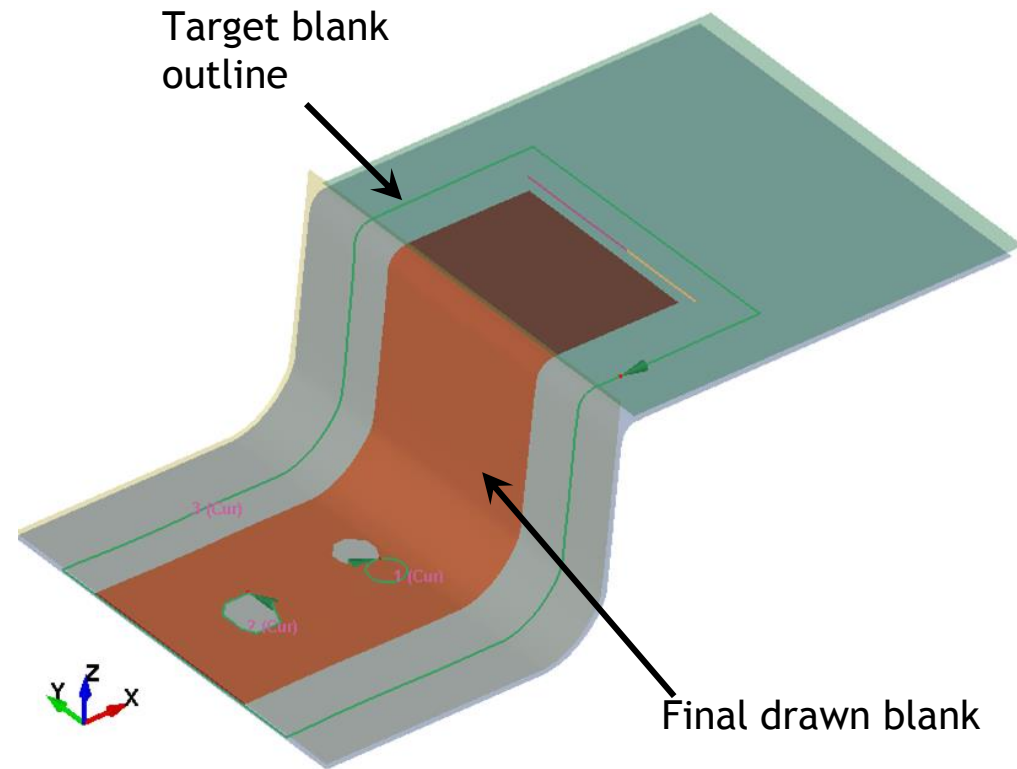
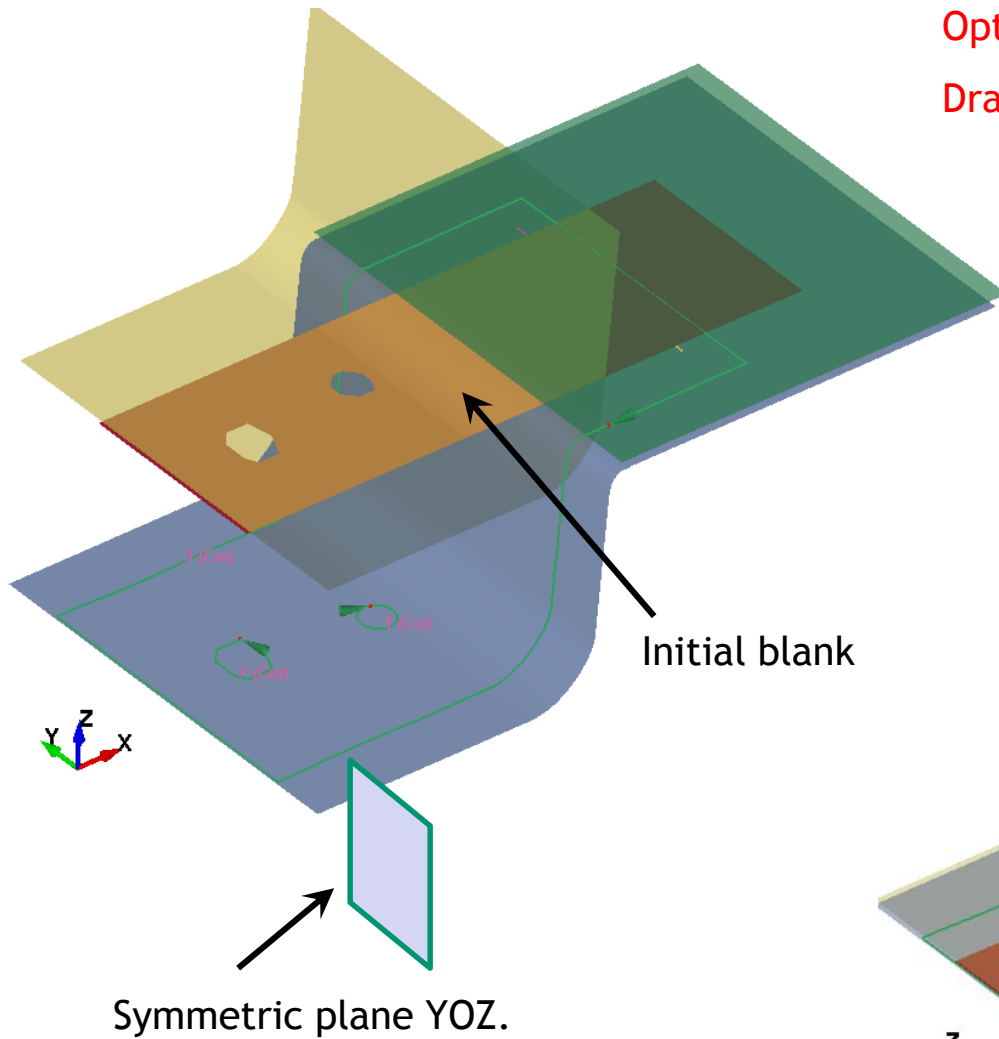
```
*end
```

A point coordinates on the sym. plane

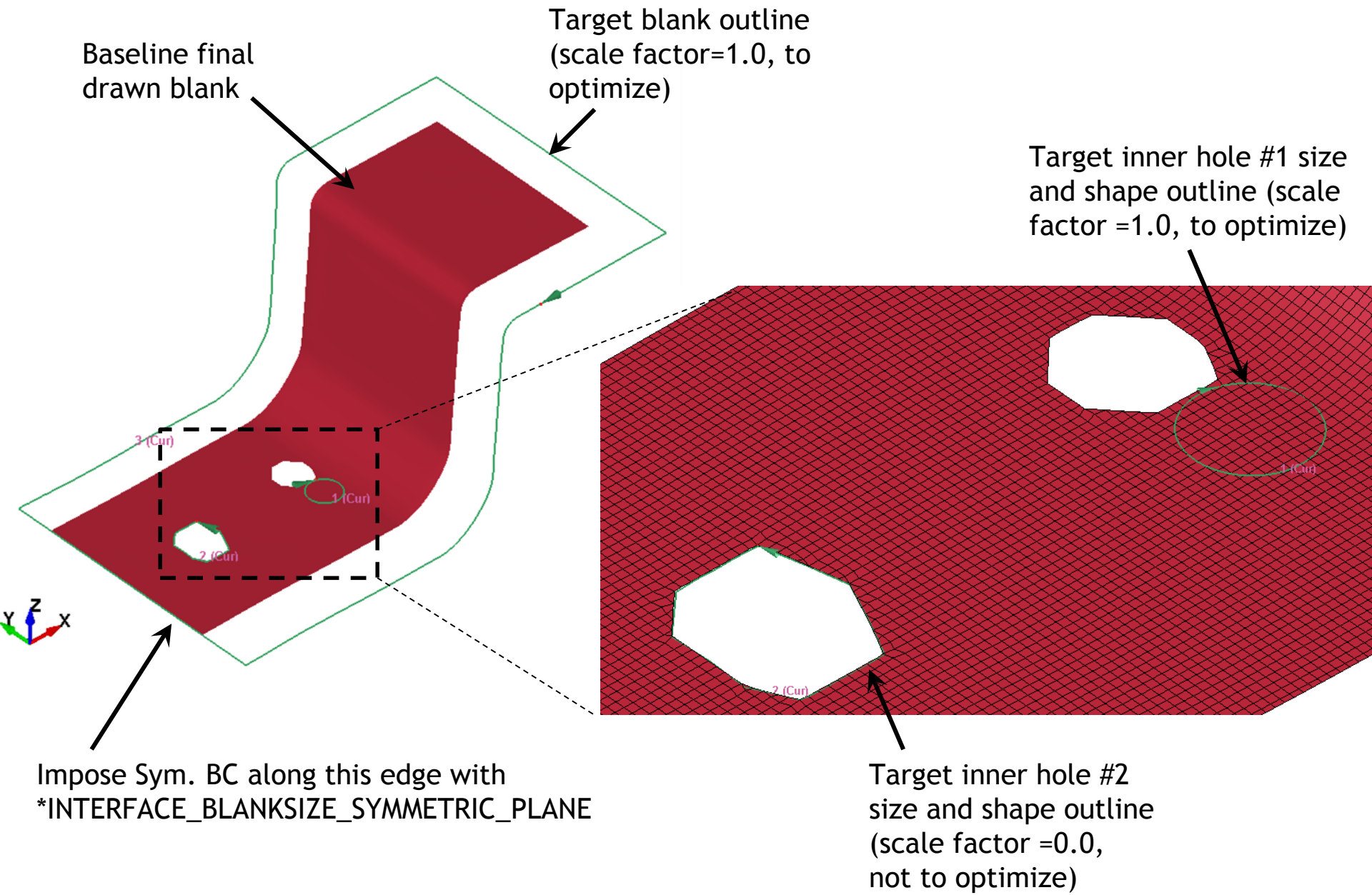
Vector components of the symmetric plane normal

Optimization loop:

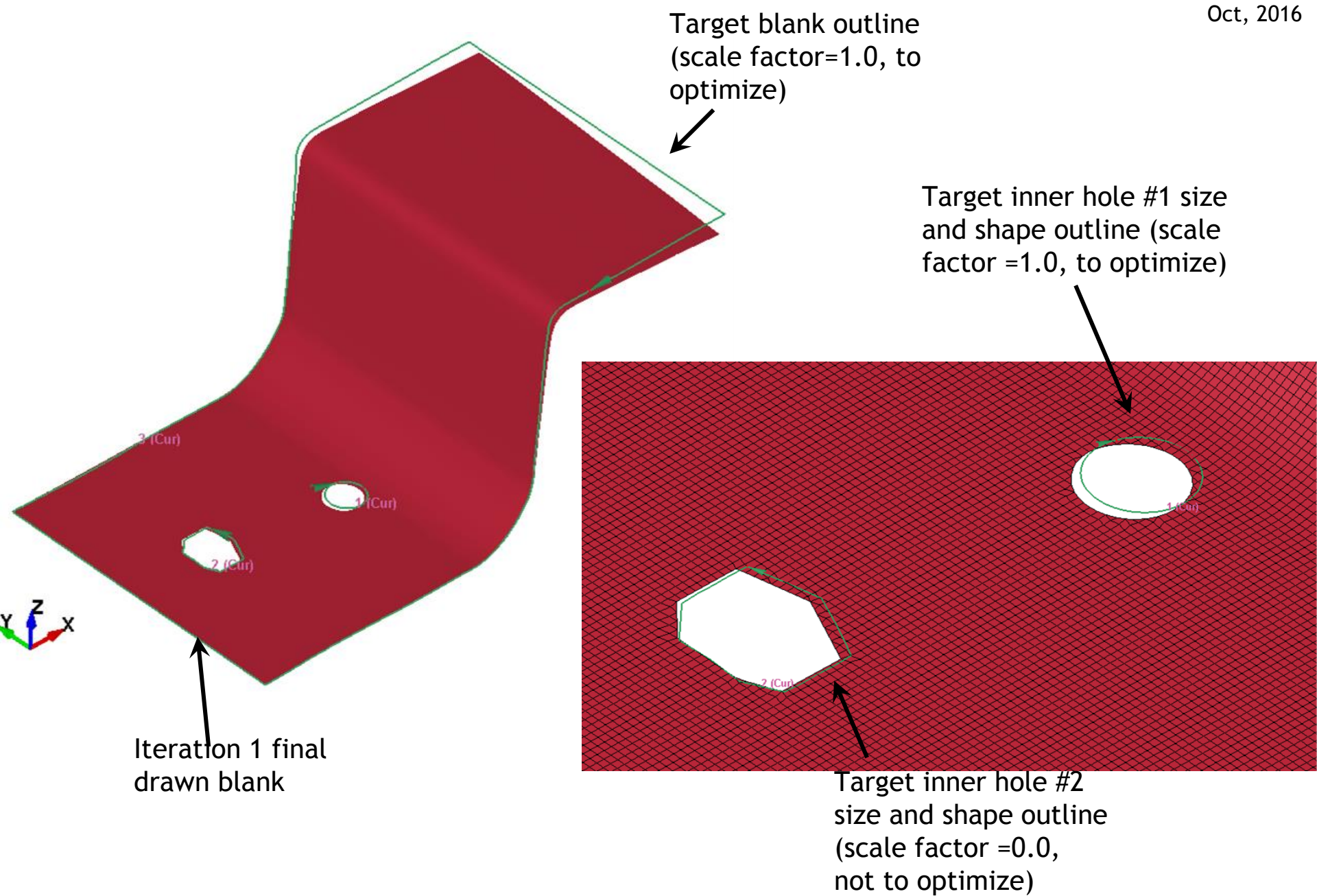
Draw baseline → Opt1 → Draw #1 → Opt2 → Draw #2



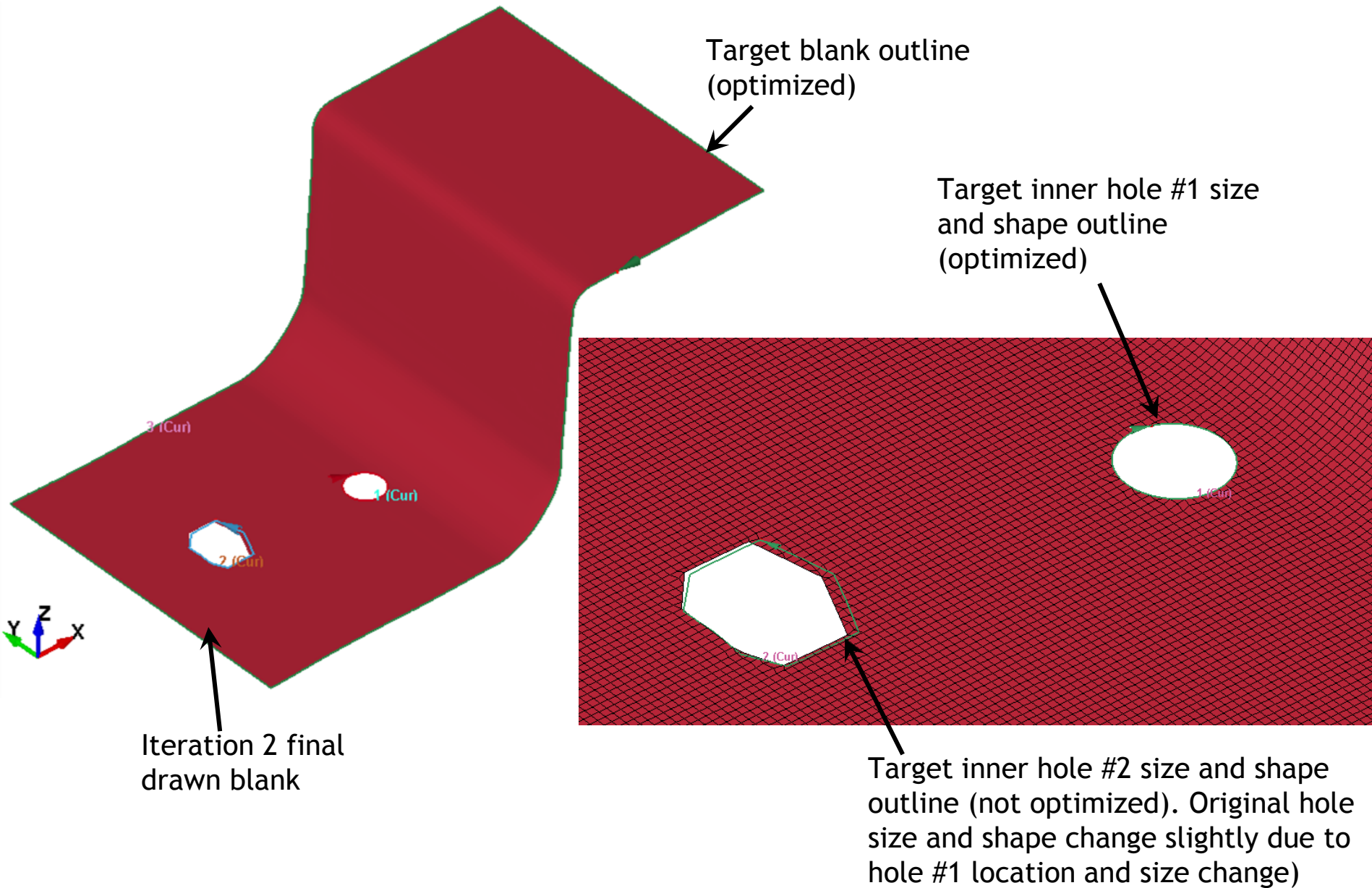
- A channel in deep draw, one-half model with symmetric boundary condition.



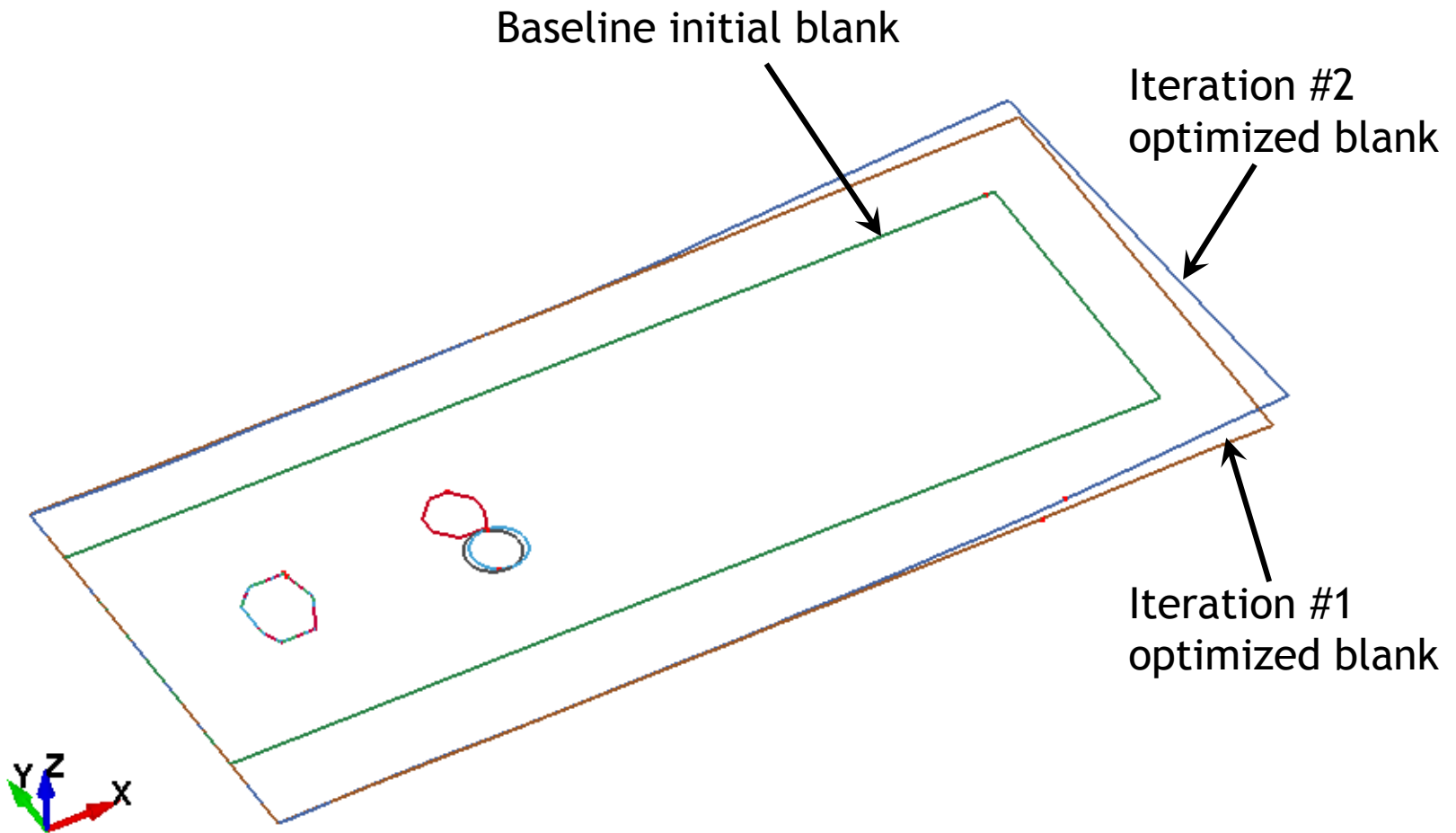
Baseline results.



□ Iteration 1 based on blank optimization: final drawn blank is much closer to the target.



□ Iteration 2 based on blank optimization: final drawn blank and holes exactly overlap the target.



□ Optimized initial blank evolution.

2D and 3D trimming of solids and laminates

```
(*CONTROL_FORMING_TRIMMING, *INCLUDE_TRIM,  
*DEFINE_CURVE_TRIM)
```

- **Solid, laminate, TSHELL trimming capability summary:**

	2D (along one direction)	3D (element normal)	2D & 3D Double Trim	Adaptive mesh
Shell	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Solids	Yes	Yes	Yes*	N/A
Laminates	Yes	Yes	Yes*	One layer of solids only*; Multiple layers of solids okay for non-adaptive mesh*.
TSHELL	Yes*	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note: items designated * are new capabilities.

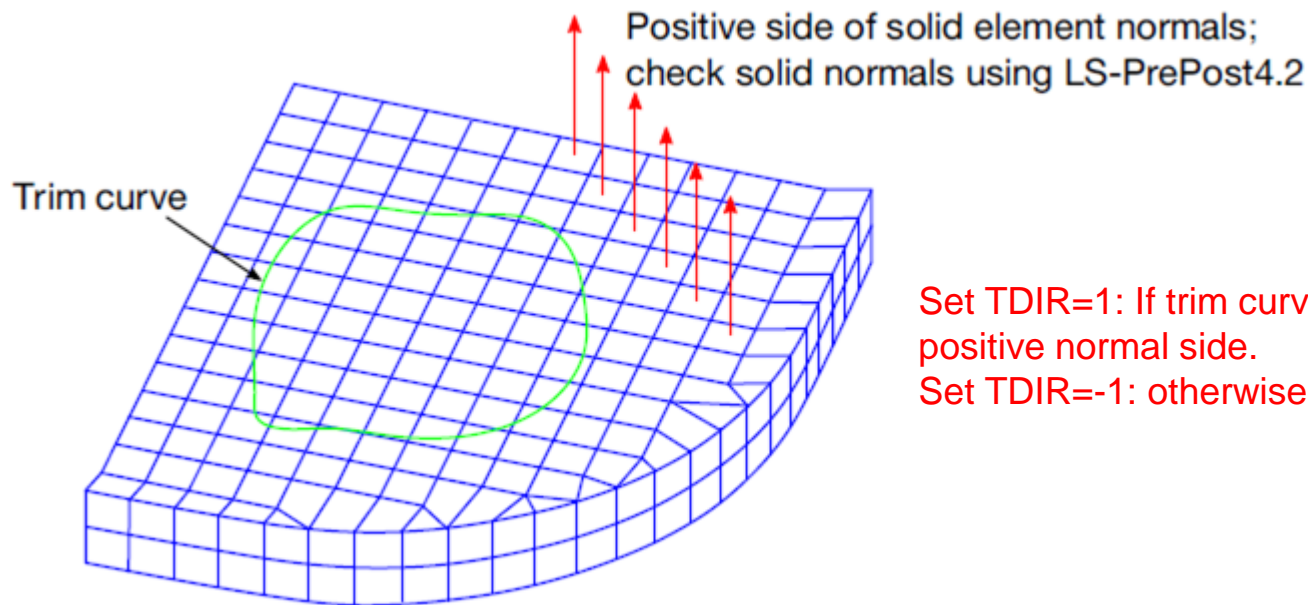
Trimming of Solids

- Inputs to trim of solids are like that for trimming of shells, use:

```
*ELEMENT_TRIM          (or, *CONTROL_FORMING_TRIMING)
*DEFINE_TRIM_CURVE_NEW, (or 3D)
*DEFINE_TRIM_SEED_POINT_COORDINATES
```

- Additional input to indicate solid normals:

```
*DEFINE_CURVE_TRIM_3D
$# tcid      tctype   tflg   tdir   tctol   toln   nseed1   nseed2
      2         2       0     1     0.1    1.0
```



Set TDIR=1: If trim curve is close to the positive normal side.
Set TDIR=-1: otherwise

- Must use *INCLUDE_TRIM

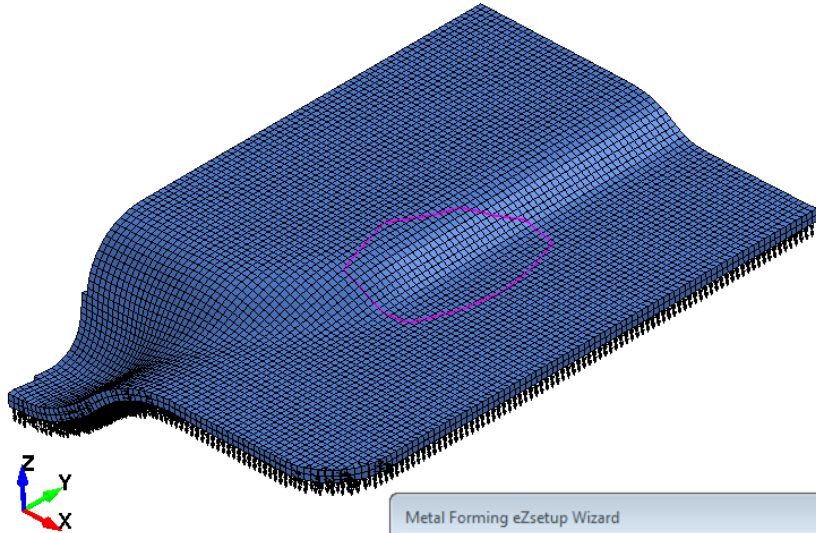
Usage - Laminates Trimming

- Trimming of laminates (solid layers sandwiched by top and bottom layers of shells):

```
*ELEMENT_TRIM      (or, *CONTROL_FORMING_TRIMING)  
$ PSID,,$ITYP  
(set ITYP=1 to activate a laminate trim)
```

- Must use ***INCLUDE_TRIM**

LS-PrePost® 4.3 GUI



Metal Forming eZsetup Wizard

Blank Die Binder Punch Drawbead Control

Trimming

Trimming control option

- Mesh Pre-adaptive SMin: [] Level: 5
- Check/Fixing Shell SMin: 0
- Blank has initial strain/stress

Trim Curve: Trim 1

2-D 3-D

Pick Curves Seed Location

Trim Vector

X	Y	Z
0.00	0.00	0.00

Trim curve on solid surface:

Top Bottom

Stage Definition:

- stage1

Add Ins Del stage1

AutoHide

*right click finish the picking

Normals

Entity Type: Solid

Show Normal
 Reverse Normal
 Align

V-Size 0.5 1

Compliment Dimmed

Clear Reverse AutoRev

Done

Normal

Model

DetEle

EleTol

DupNod

Post

NodEdit

MS

MS

EleEdit

MFPRE

Measur

MFPPost

Morph

Favor1

Smooth

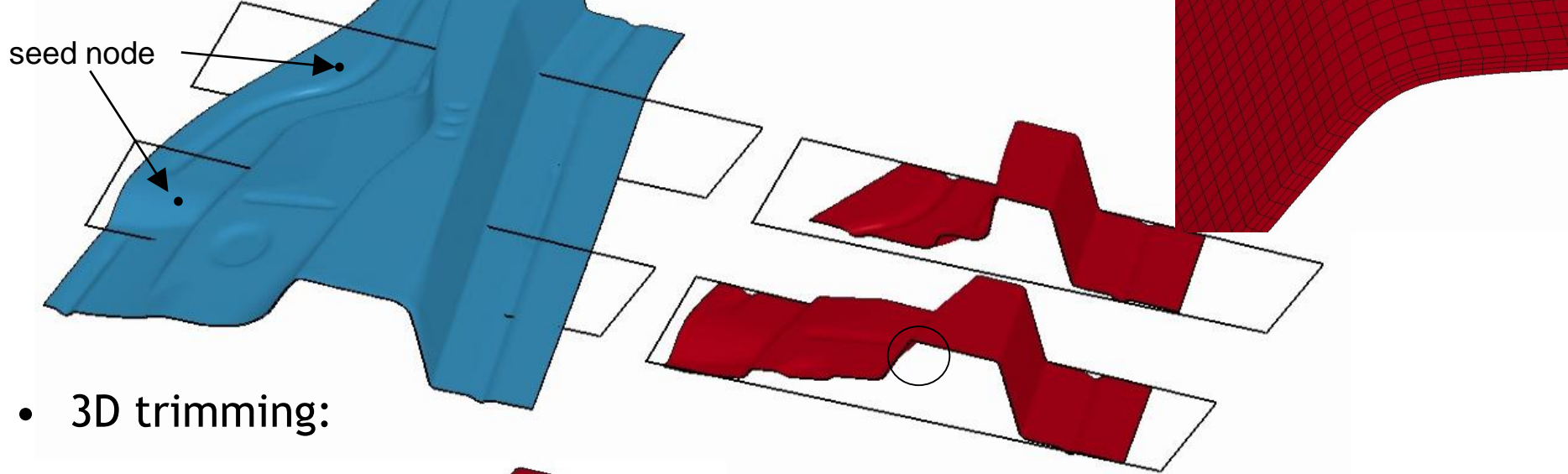
PtTrim

PtTrav

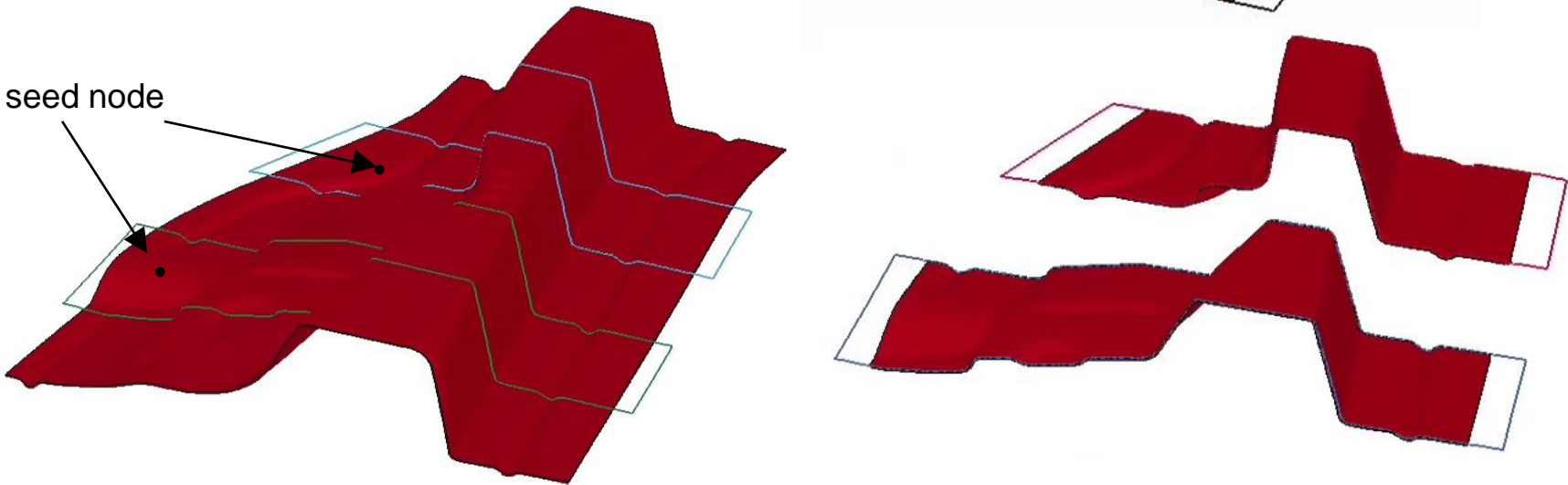
EdgFac

Double Trim of Solids

- 2D trimming:



- 3D trimming:

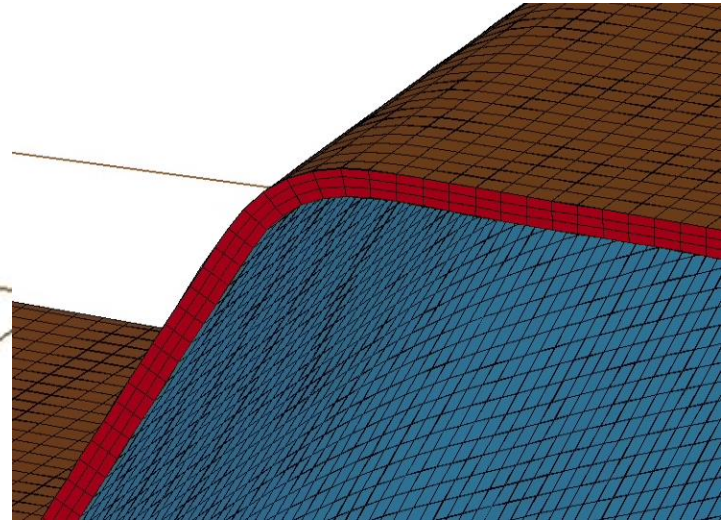
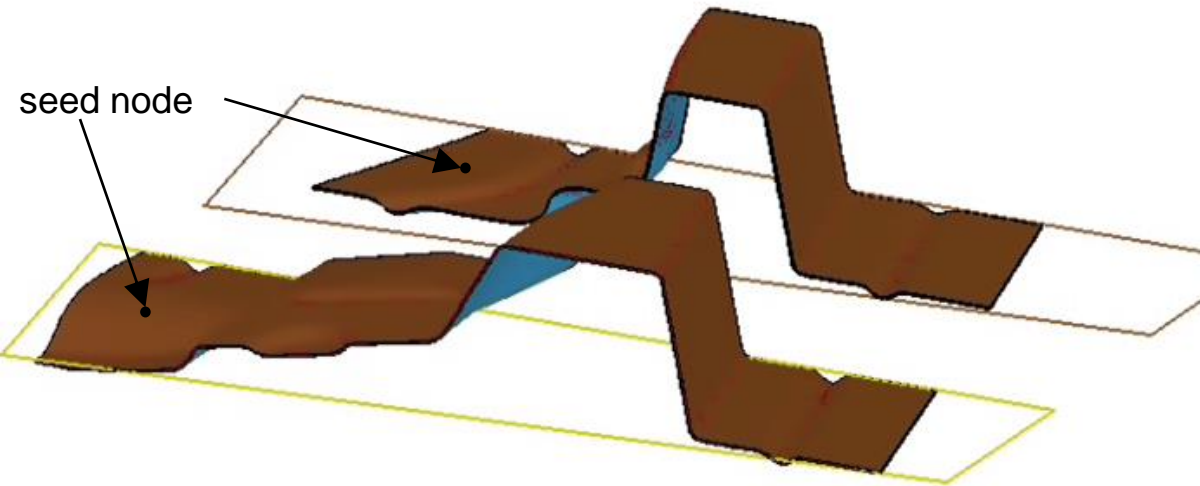


*DEFINE_TRIM_SEED_POINT_COORDINATES

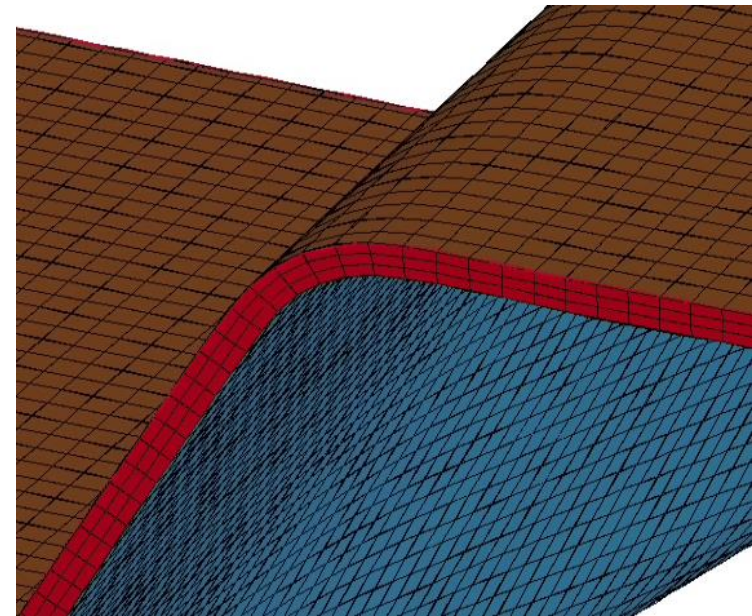
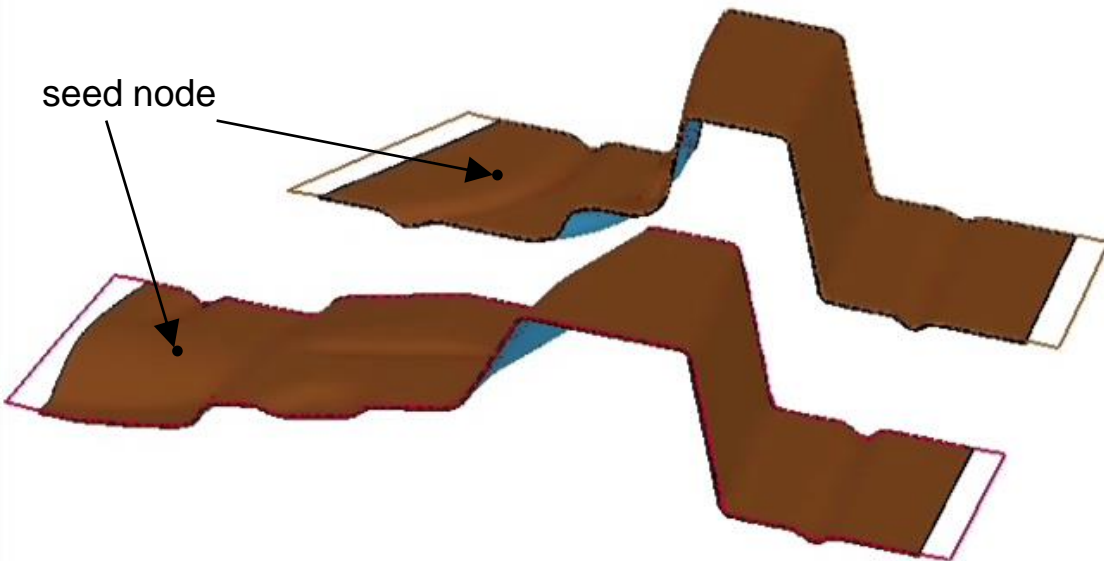
\$	NSEED	X1	Y1	Z1	X2	Y2	Z2	
\$	2	20.7	-153.	-42.9	84.5	-410.	-42.990	
\$	---	1---	2---	3---	4---	5---	6---	7---

Double Trim of Laminates

- 2D trimming:

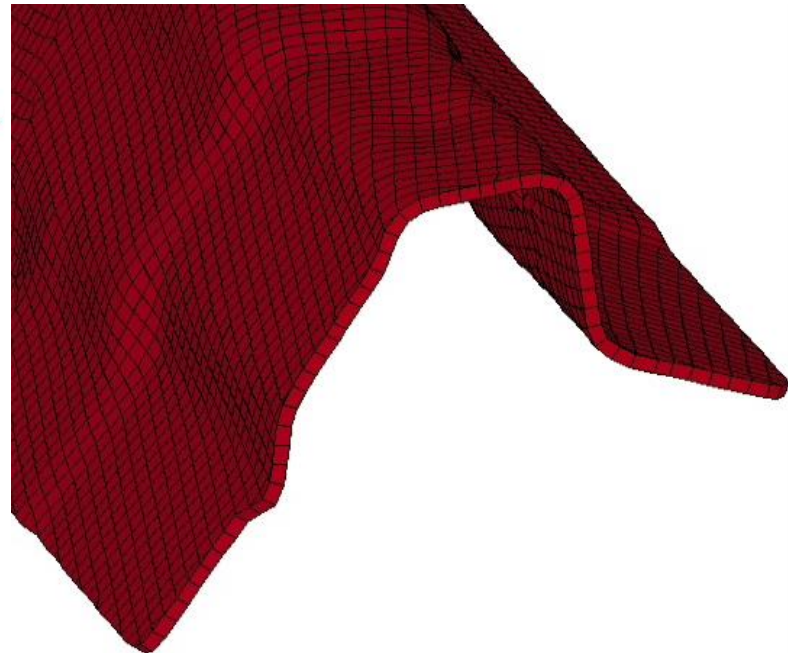
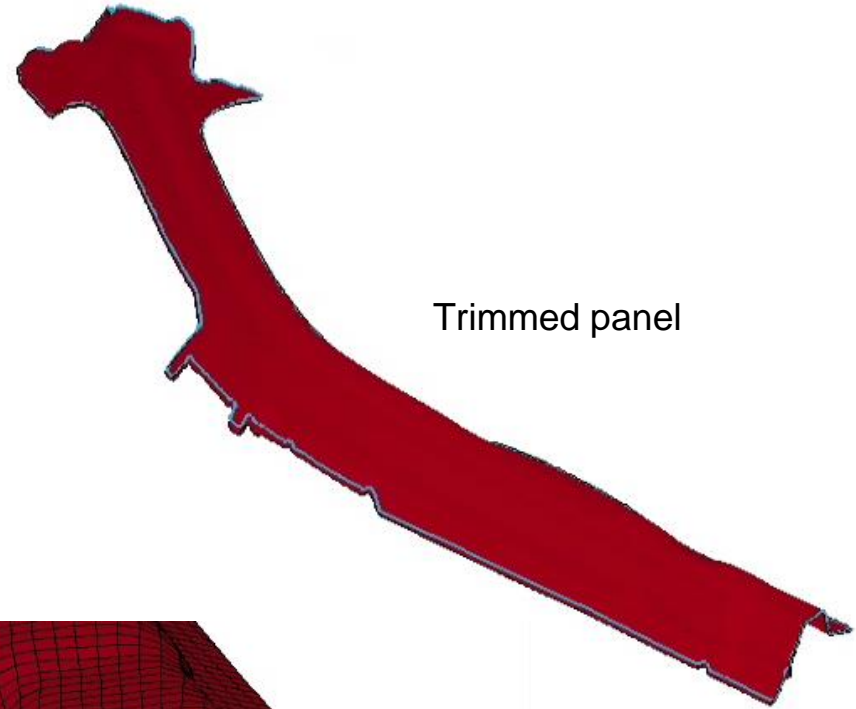
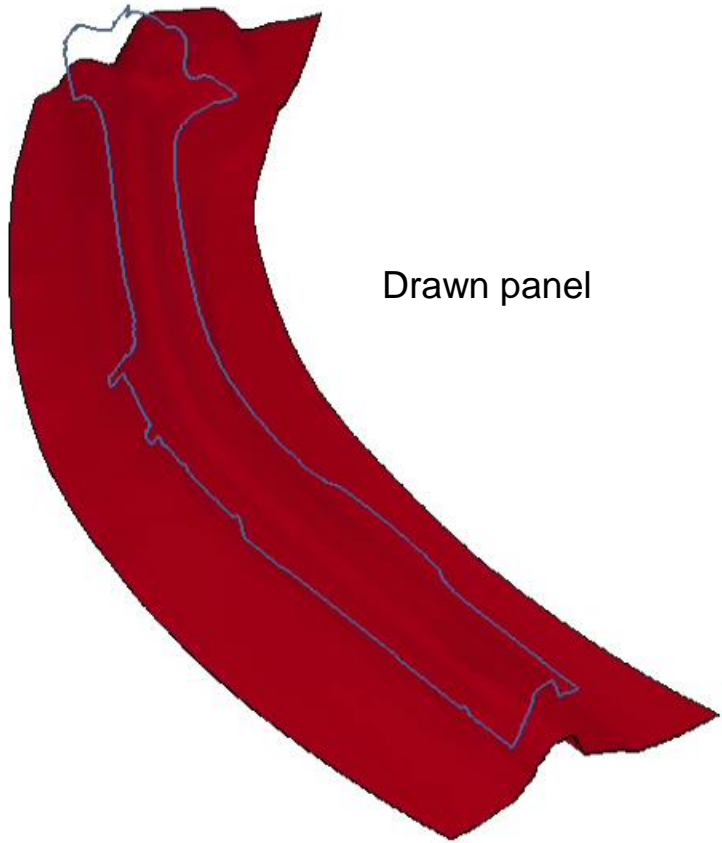


- 3D trimming:

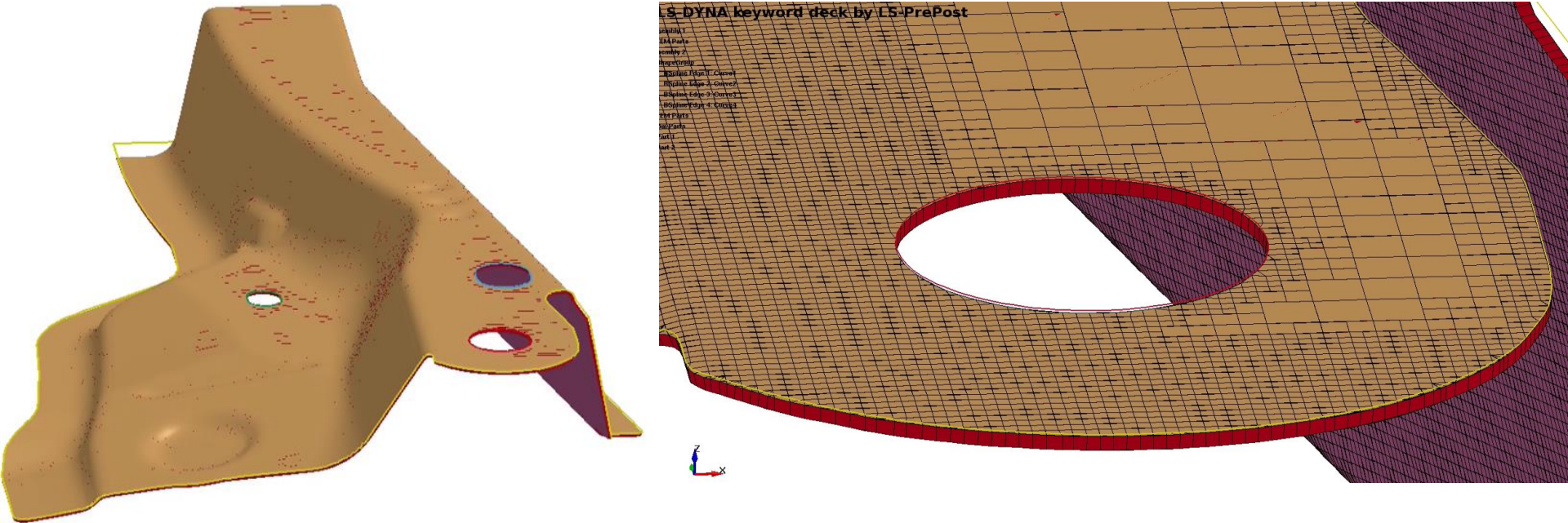


Trim of TSHELL

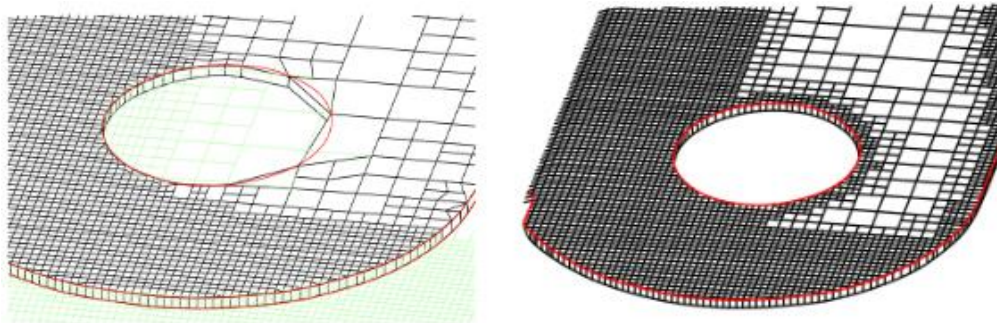
- 2D trimming only:



- Laminate trim - adaptive mesh trimming capable:



- Solid trim - automatic adaptive refinement along trim curve:

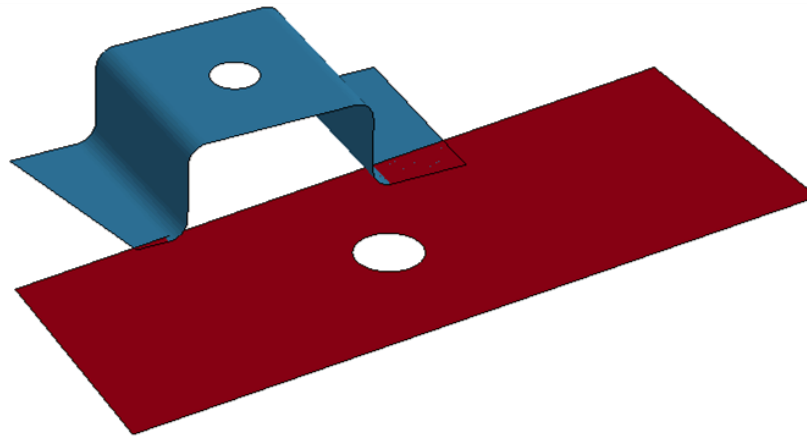


Enhancements in One-step Simulation

`(*CONTROL_FORMING_ONESTEP)`

1. Re-positioning of unfolded blank in one-step simulation:

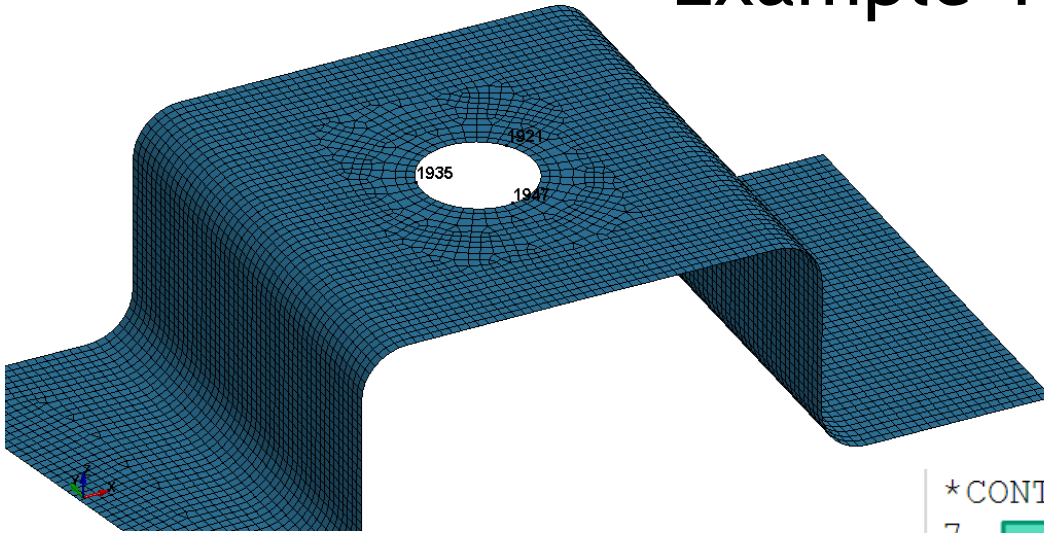
- ❑ The position of the blank can be undesirable after unfolding
- ❑ Not easy to be aligned in the forming tools



```
*CONTROL_FORMING_ONESTEP_AUTO_CONSTRAINT  
1,NID1,NID2,NID3
```

- The option “AUTO_CONSTRAINT” is extended:
- NID1, NID2 and NID3 are the ID of the nodes on the folded part for repositioning after unfolding.

Example 1



Select 3 nodes for reposition after unfolding

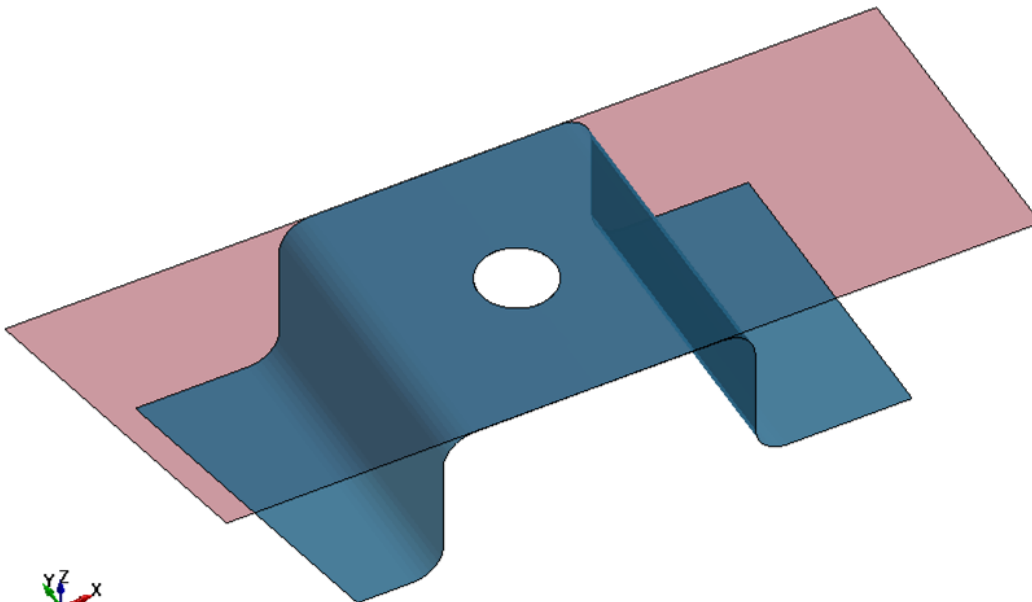
```
*CONTROL_FORMING_ONESTEP
```

```
7,
```

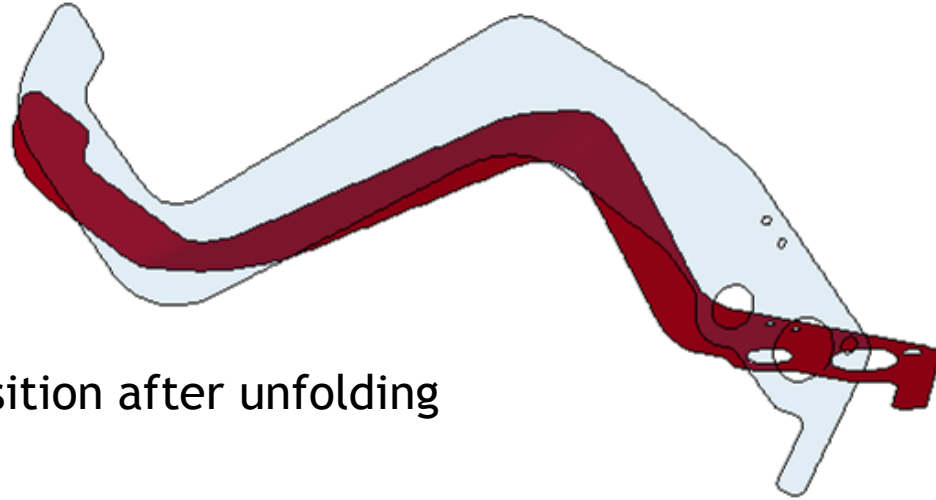
The reference nodes are defined

```
*CONTROL_FORMING_ONESTEP_AUTO_CONSTRAINT
```

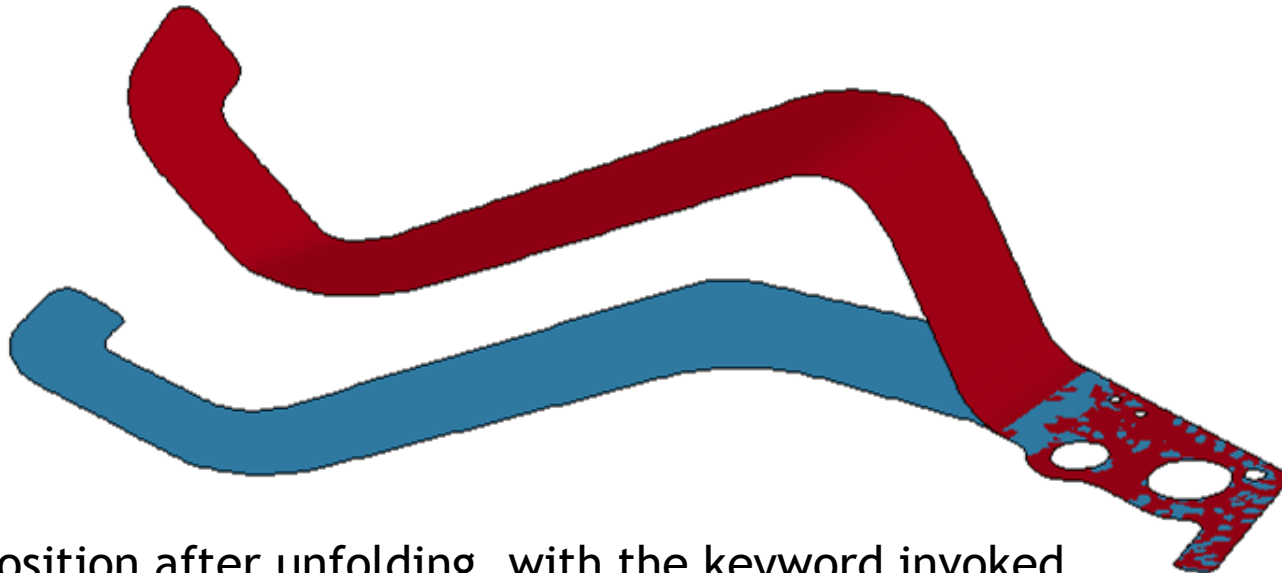
```
1, 1921, 1935, 1947
```



Example 2



Undesirable position after unfolding



Reposition after unfolding, with the keyword invoked and 3 nodes defined



2. Damage inclusion in one-step simulation:

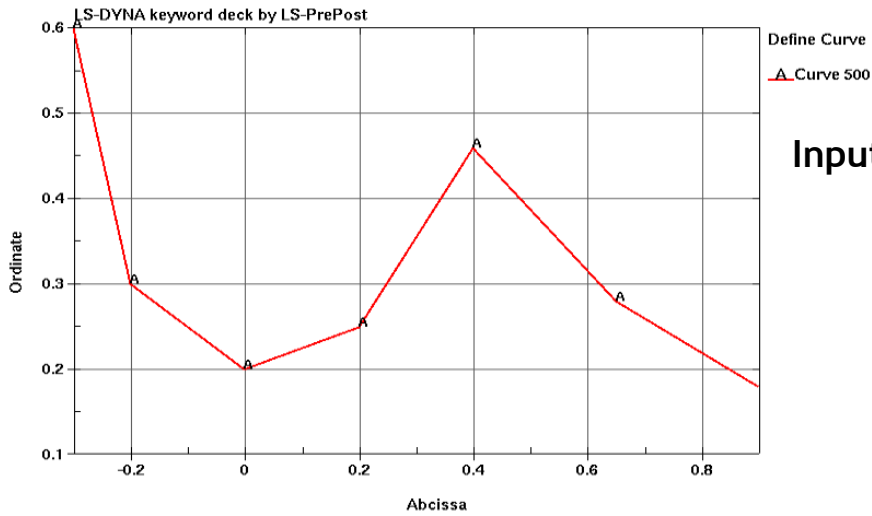
- Damage accumulation D is calculated based on (refer to *MAT_ADD_EROSION):

$$D = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_p}{\varepsilon_f} \right)^{\text{DMGEXP}}$$

- A load curve can be defined for plastic failure strain vs. stress triaxiality relationship and DMGEXP can be input. The calculated damage accumulation is written into a file called “onestepresult” as history variable #6, and can be plotted in LS-PrePost.

```
*CONTROL_FORMING_ONESTEP
$-----1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6-----7-----8
$# option          autobd  thinmin  epsmax          LCID  DMGEXP
              7                               500    1.254

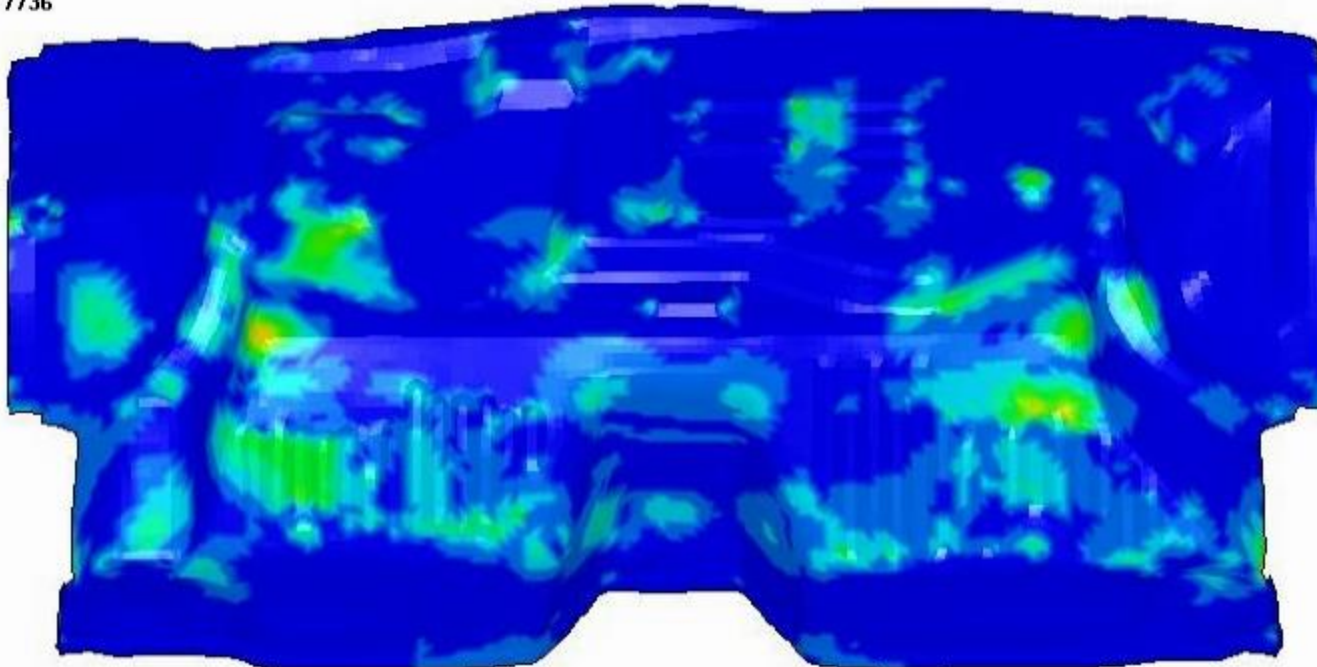
*DEFINE_CURVE
500
-0.3,0.6
-0.2,0.3
0.0,0.2
0.2,0.25
0.4,0.46
0.65,0.28
0.9,0.18
```



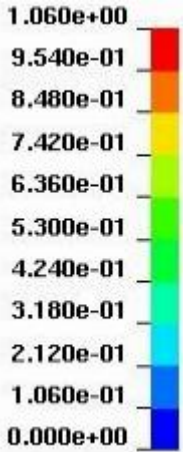
Input load curve ID 500

LS-DYNA keyword deck by LS-PrePost
Contours of History6
reference shell surface
min=0, at elem# 3008924
max=1.06, at elem# 3217736

History variable #6 fringe plot from file
"onestepresult"



Damage



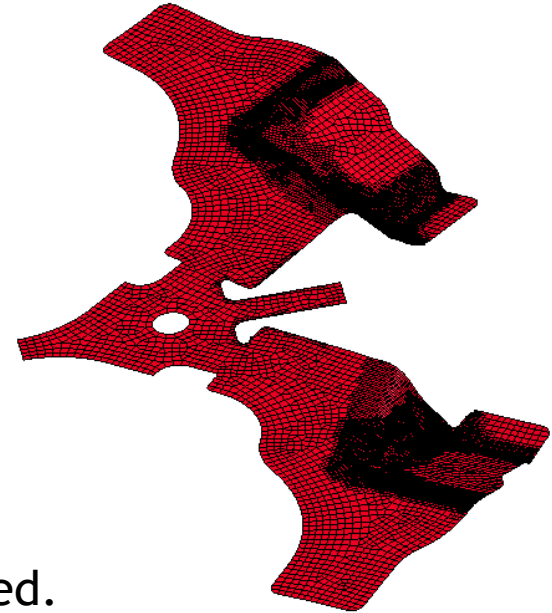
Automatic Offset of Tool Element & Node IDs

```
(*INCLUDE _AUTO_OFFSET)
```

- ❑ Adaptive trimming results in additional nodes and elements whose ID may overlap those of the tools of the following operations, resulting in error termination.

```
*INCLUDE
drawn.dynain
*DEFINE_CURVE_TRIM_3D
...
*CONTROL_ADAPTIVE_CURVE
```

Trimming



- ❑ Automatically offset mesh ID of any tools included.

```
*INCLUDE
trimmed.dynain
*INCLUDE_AUTO_OFFSET
upperdie.k
*INCLUDE_AUTO_OFFSET
lowerpunch.k
*INCLUDE_AUTO_OFFSET
binder.k
*INCLUDE_AUTO_OFFSET
pins.k
```

Forming



- ❑ Default in LSP eZ-Setup for metal forming.

New features in state output with ***CONTROL_FORMING_OUTPUT**

- A new variable CIDT is added to allow definition of state outputs according to simulation time specified. The new state outputs will be in addition to the state outputs according to punch distance from home (bottom), specified by the existing variable LCID.

```
*CONTROL_FORMING_OUTPUT
$  -----1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6-----7-----8
$   CID      NOUT    TBEG      TEND    Y1/LCID  Y2/CIDT    Y3      Y4
   1116      0    &clstime  &endtime  -980    -999
   1117      0    &clstime  &endtime  -980    -999
   1118      0    &clstime  &endtime  -980    -999
   1119      0    &clstime  &endtime  -980    -999
```

```
*DEFINE_CURVE
999
1.0e-03
2.0e-03
3.0e-03
4.0e-03
```



output time

curve ID defining
output distance
from punch bottom

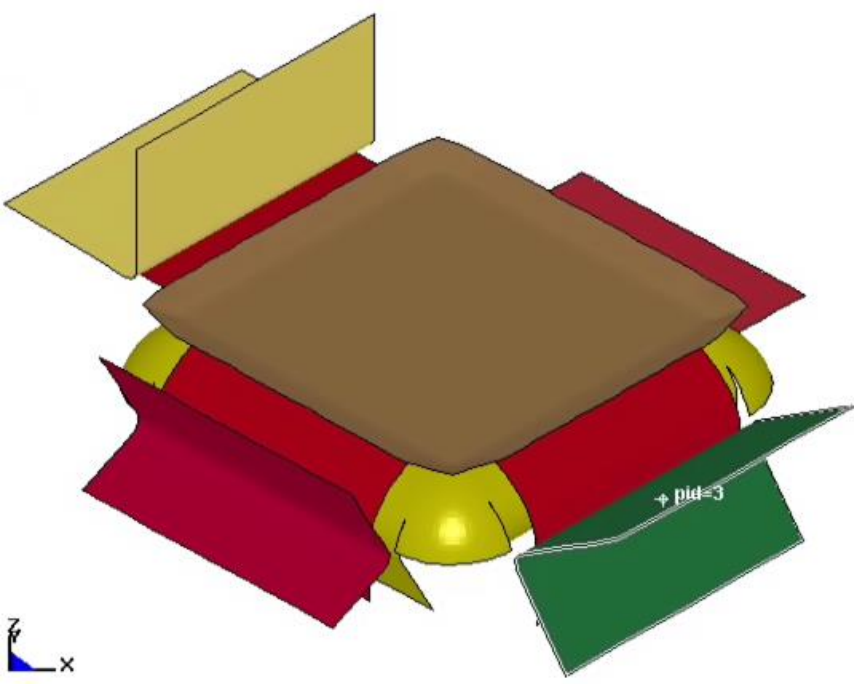


curve ID defining
output time

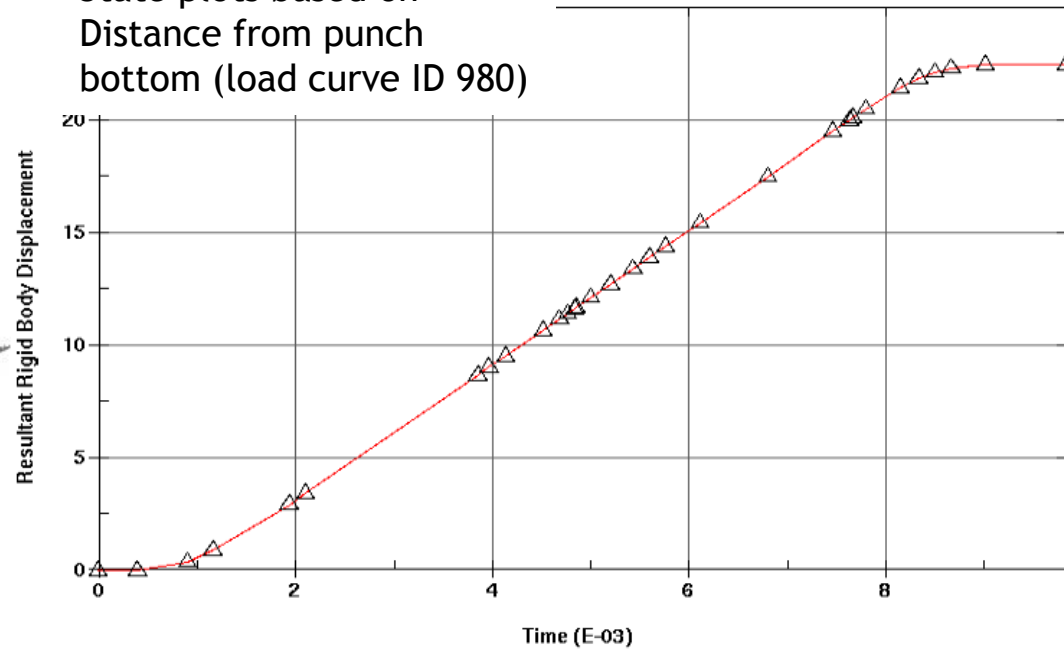
```
*DEFINE_CURVE
980
13.5,0.0
13.0,0.0
5.0,0.0
3.0,0.0
2.5,0.0
2.0,0.0
1.0,0.0
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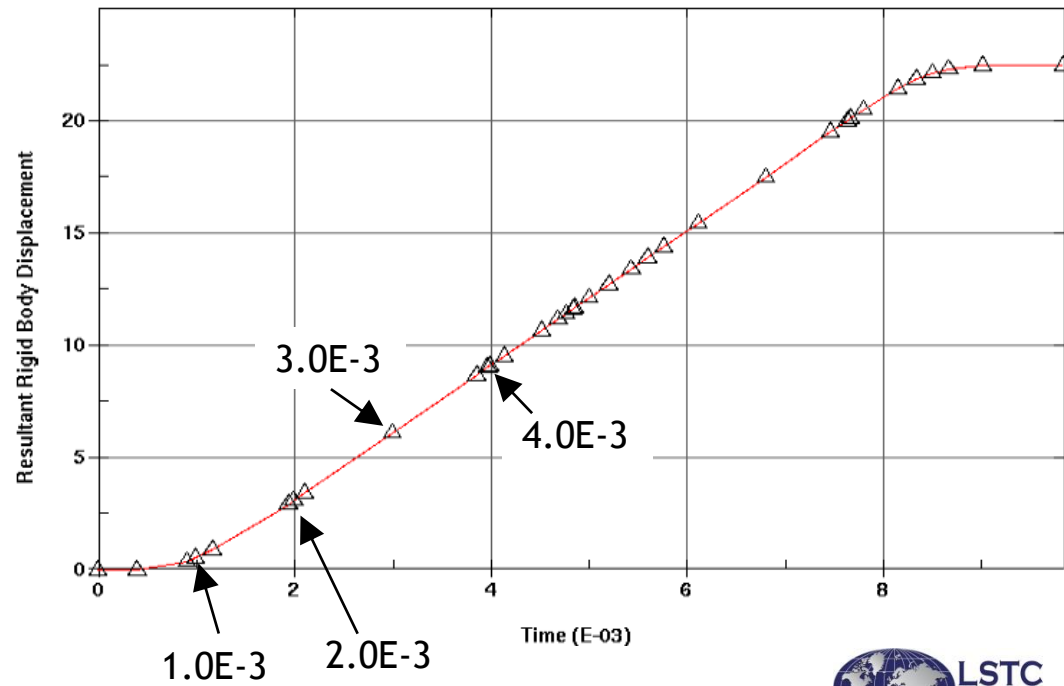
output distance from punch bottom



State plots based on Distance from punch bottom (load curve ID 980)



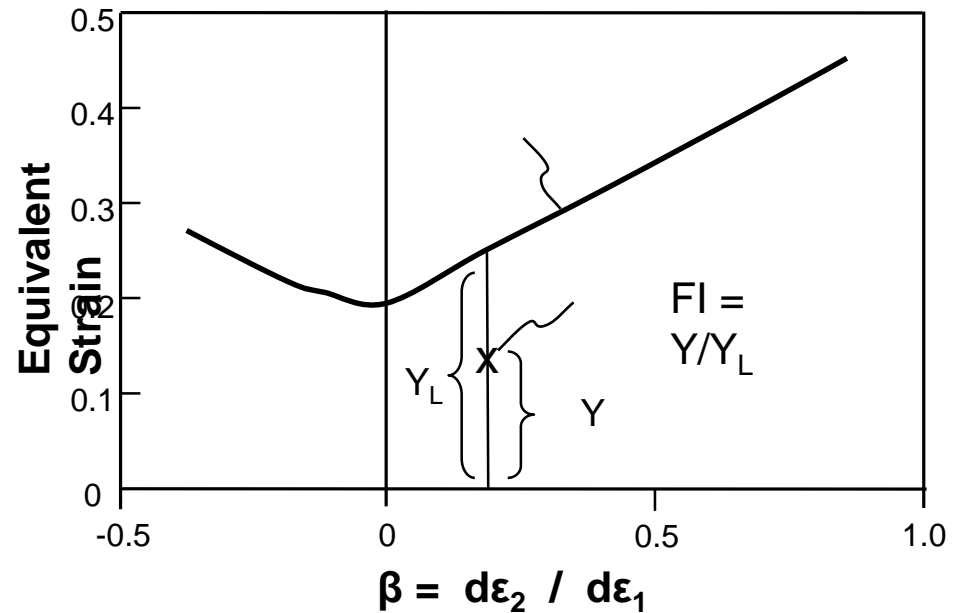
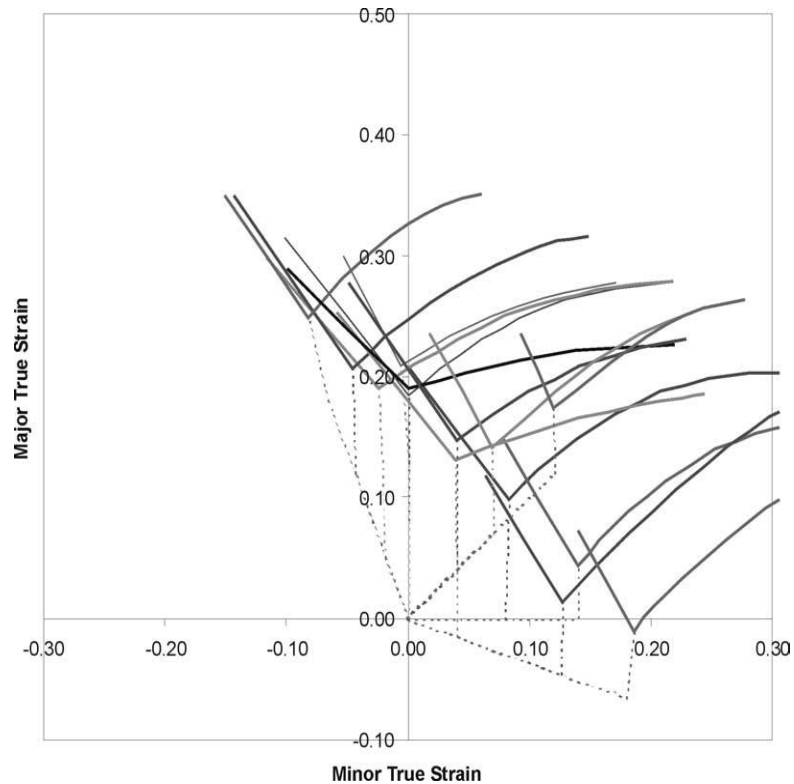
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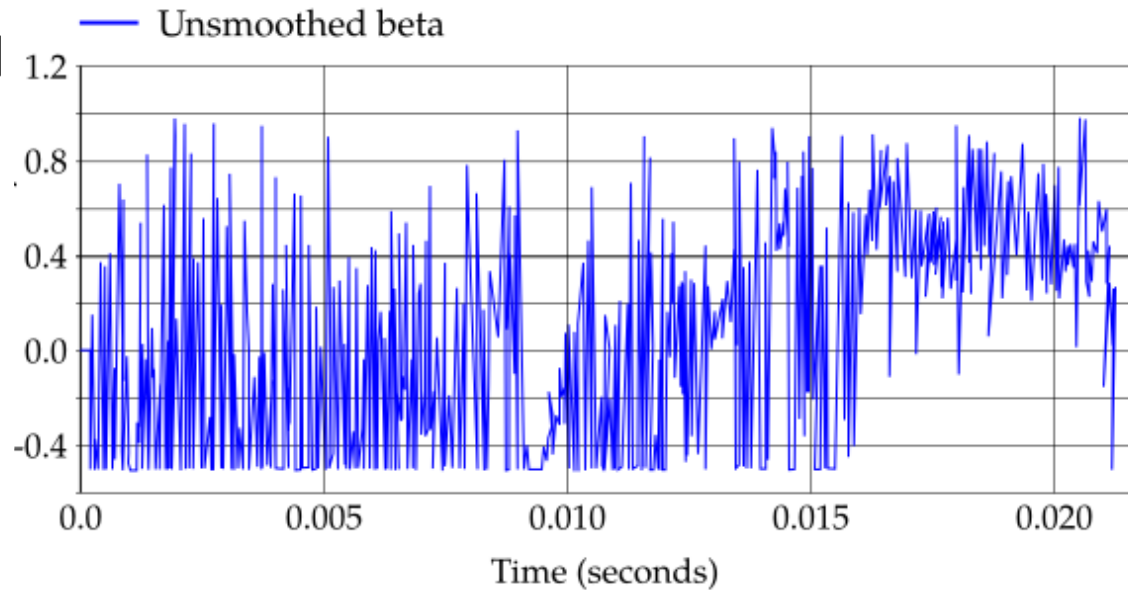
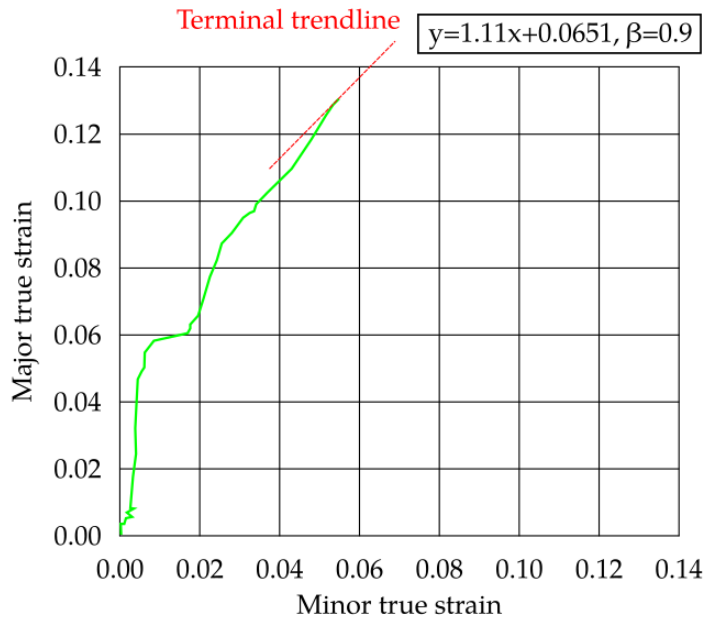
Strain Ratio Smoothing for Failure Prediction under Nonlinear Strain Paths

Effect of Non-linear strain path

- Effect of non-linear strain path and FI



Real Strain Ratio is Noisy



Issue:

- Choppy strain ratio affects Formability Index (F.I.) calculation

New keyword:

- ***CONTROL_FORMING_TOLERANC** (developed jointly with the Ford Motor Company)
- Applicable to *MAT_037 and *MAT_036 nonlinear strain path option (NLP).
- Smoothed history variables:
 - #1 - F.I.
 - #2 - β (strain ratio)
 - #3 - effective plastic strain
- Additional outputs to “.o” file (batch queue scratch file)

Advantage:

Much less noisy strain ratio output, better terminal strain ratio correlation.

DT/CYCLE.LT.0: The absolute value is the time interval between outputs.
 DT/CYCLE.GT.0: Cycle numbers between outputs.

Card 1	1	2	3
Variable	DT/CYCLE	WEIGHT	OUTPUT
Type	F	F	I
Default	none	none	0

Coefficient α in equation:

$$\Delta\epsilon 1_{(n-1)} * (1 - \alpha) + d\epsilon 1_{(n)} * \alpha$$

$$\Delta\epsilon 2_{(n-1)} * (1 - \alpha) + d\epsilon 2_{(n)} * \alpha$$

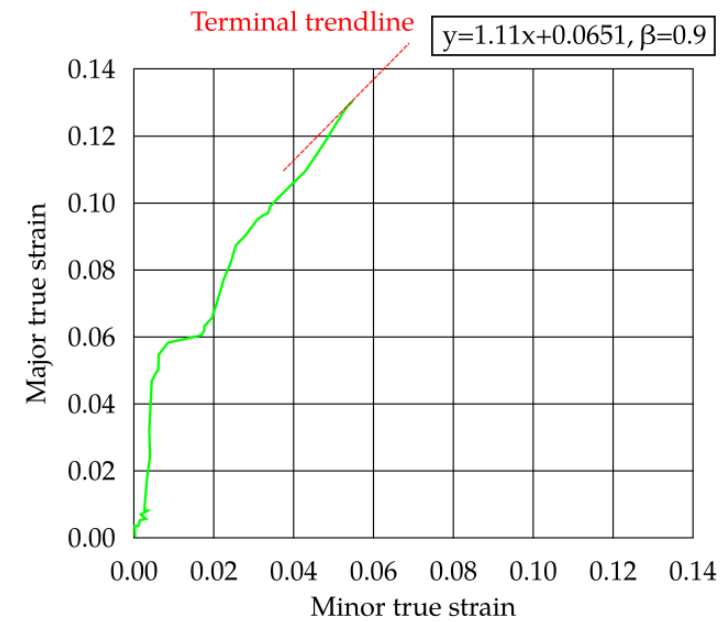
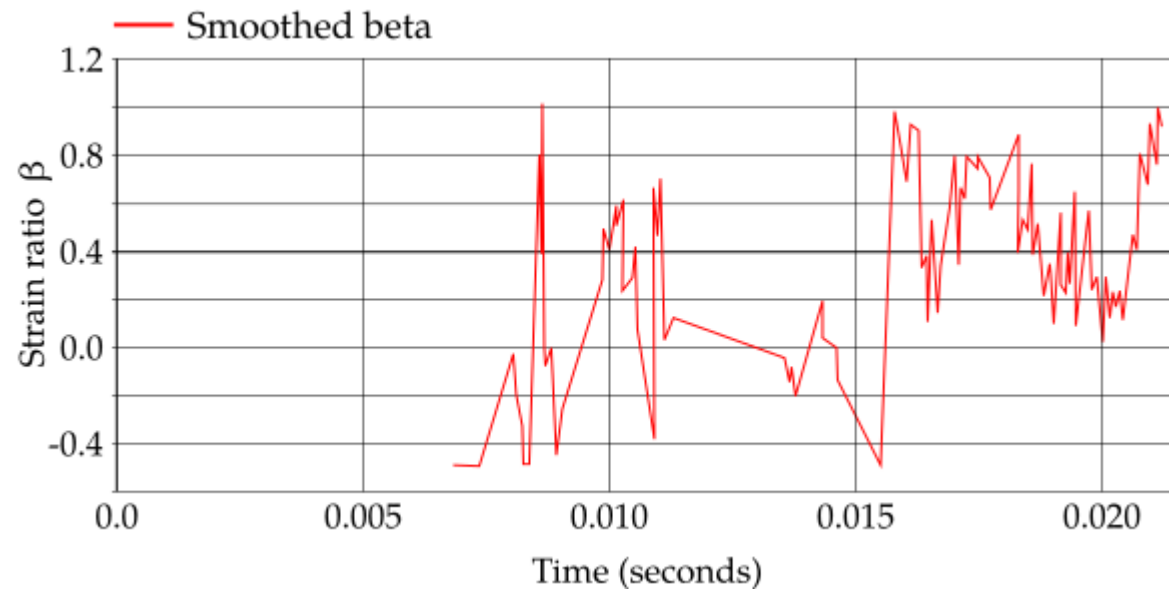
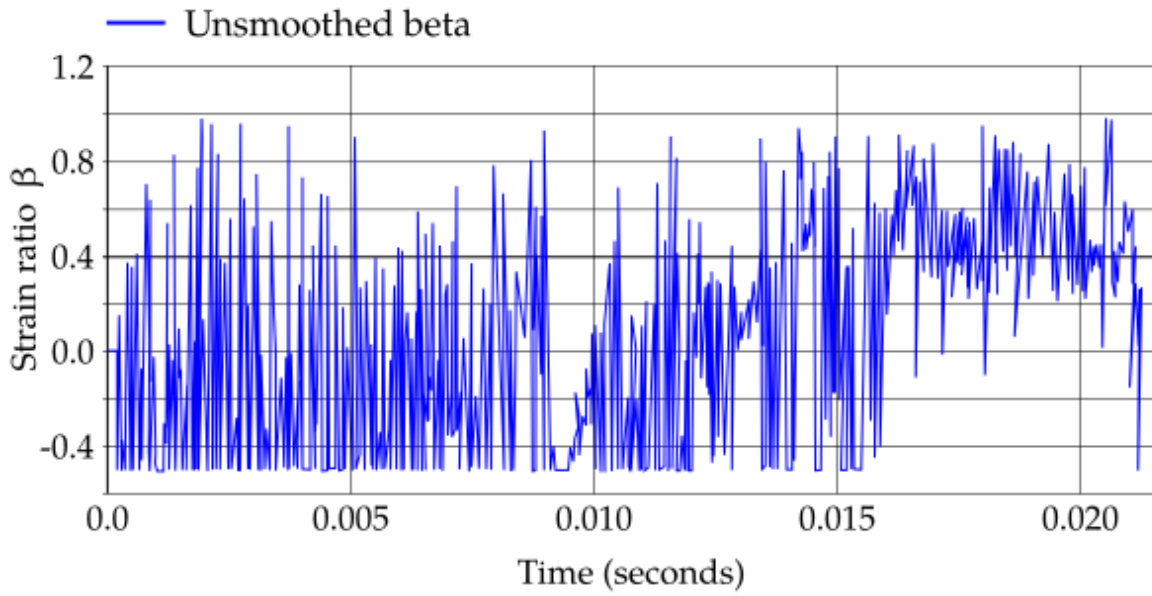
$$\beta = \frac{\Delta\epsilon 2_{(n-1)} * (1 - \alpha) + d\epsilon 2_{(n)} * \alpha}{\Delta\epsilon 1_{(n-1)} * (1 - \alpha) + d\epsilon 1_{(n)} * \alpha}$$

$$-\frac{\bar{r}}{1 + \bar{r}} < \beta < 1$$

Output flag. When OUTPUT is set to 1, information such as integration point, element ID, time, strain ratio β , major and minor strains will be output to the “.o” file.

Output items	IP #	Element ID	Time	β	$\epsilon 1$	$\epsilon 2$
Columns	1 st to 8 th	9 th to 18 th	19 th to 29 th	30 th to 40 th	41 th to 51 th	52 th to 62 th

Table 0-1. “.o” file output information and positions. Note only the mid-IP information are output.



Summary

- ❑ Many new features are developed and in production use.
- ❑ LSTC continue to work with our users to meet their future requirements.