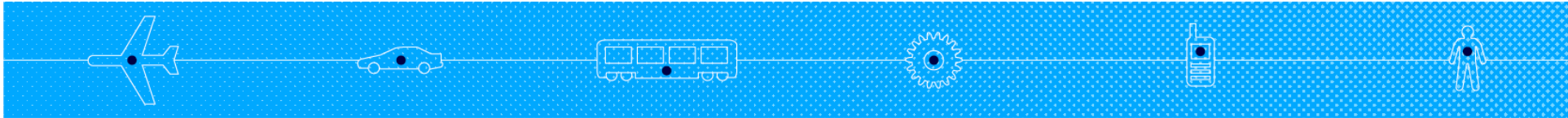




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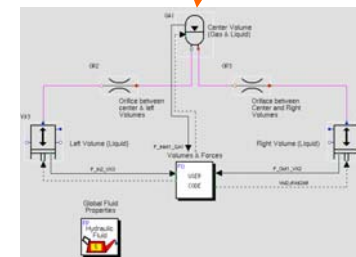
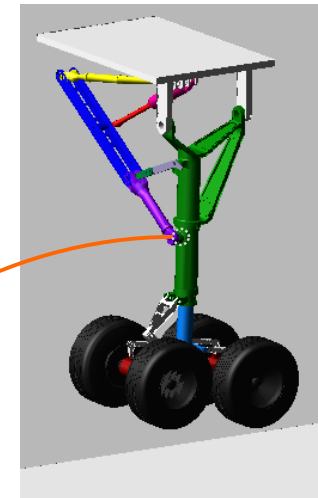
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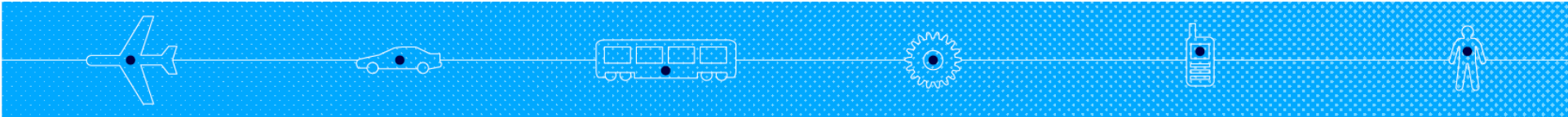


# ADAMS/Controls: What is it?

Conduit for information exchange between MSC.ADAMS and controls software

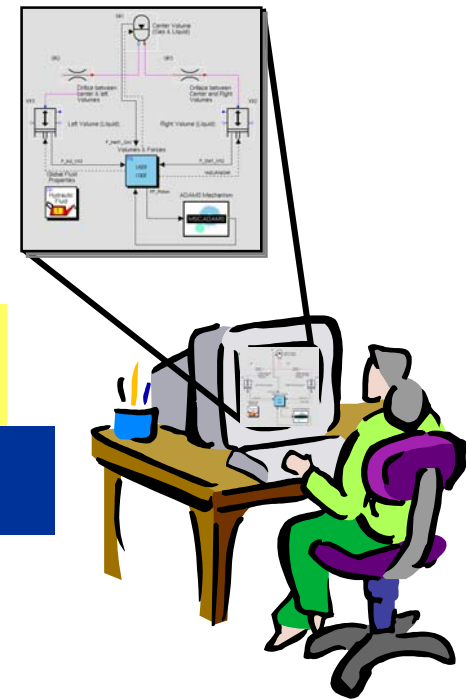
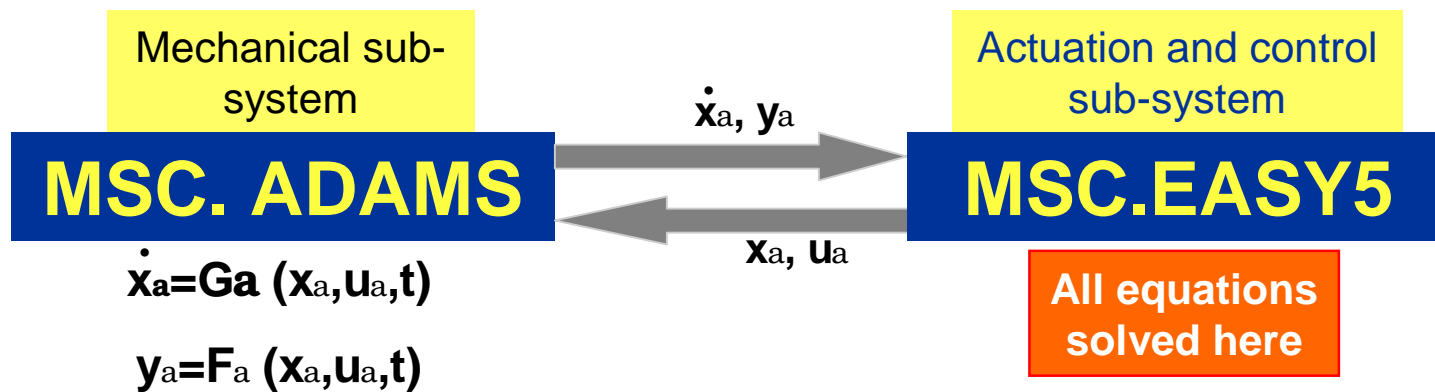
- Modes of operation
  - Communication based dynamic data exchange
    - Co-simulation
    - Function evaluation
  - Code import from actuation and controls software
    - External system library(ESL) import from **MSC.EASY5**
    - RTW code import from Matlab
- Supported controls and actuation software
  - **MSC.EASY5** and **Matlab/Simulink**
- Available as a plug-in for ADAMS/View



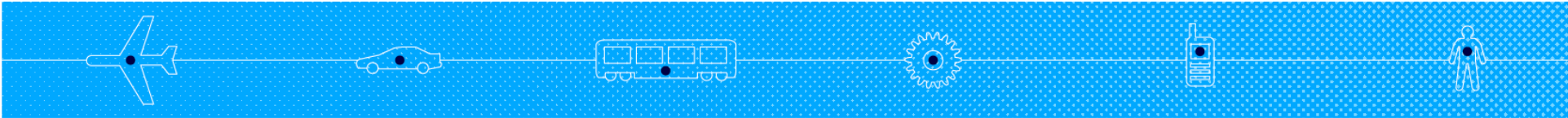


# ADAMS/Controls: Communication based dynamic data exchange

Function evaluation

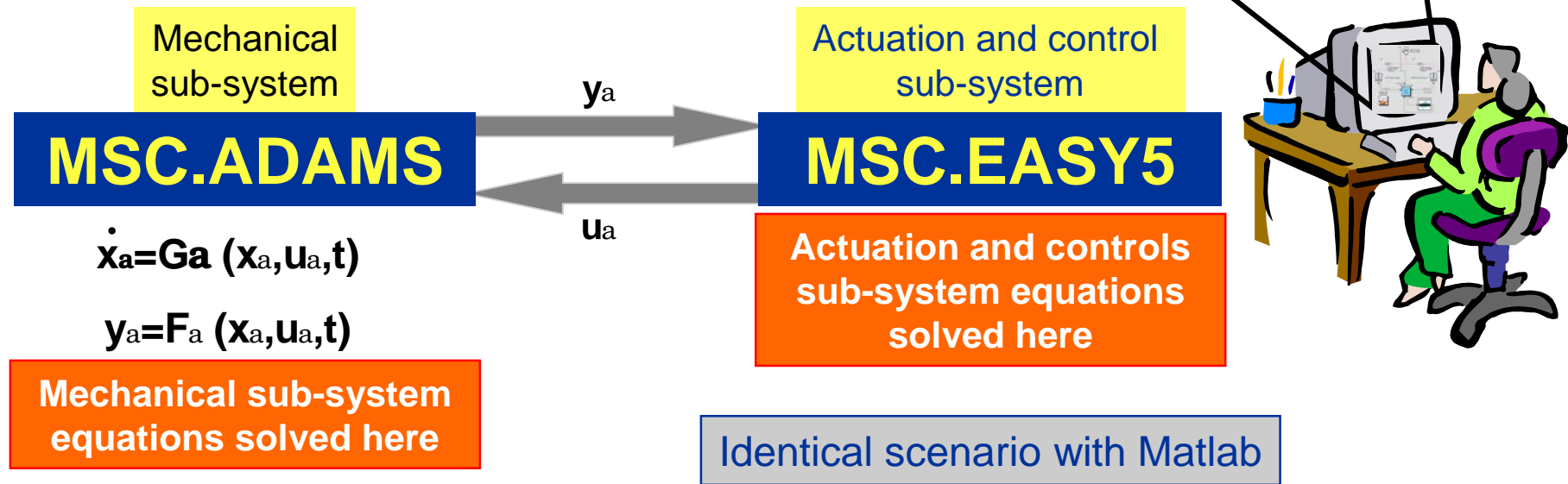


Identical scenario applies to Matlab

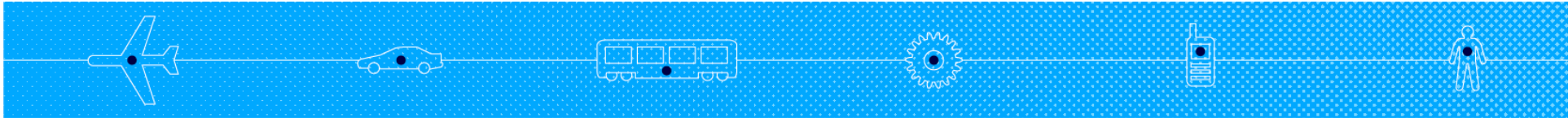


# ADAMS/Controls: Communication based dynamic data exchange

Co-simulation



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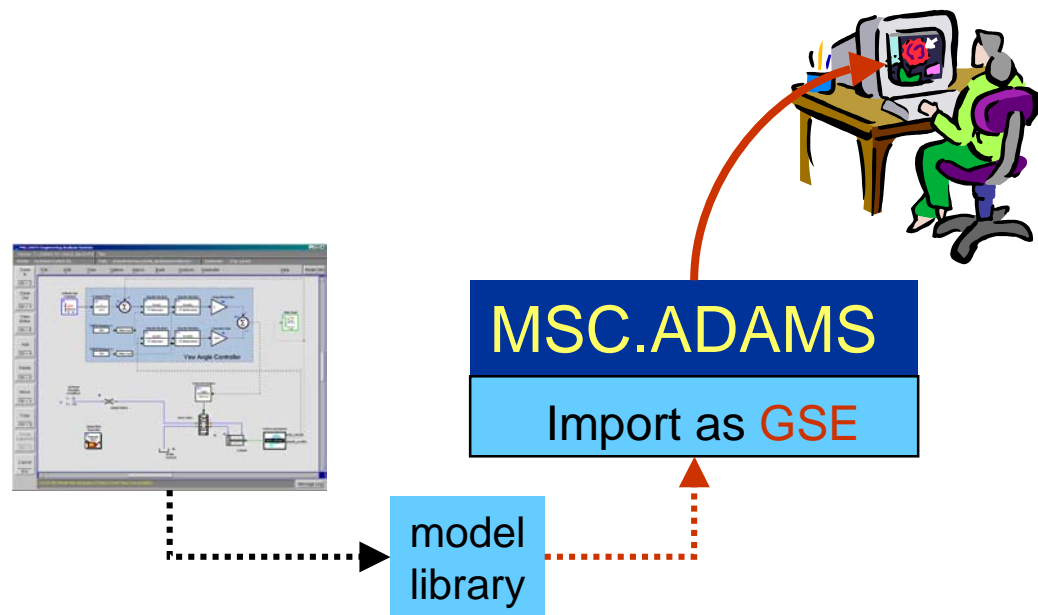
# ADAMS/Controls: Code import

Export controls sub-systems model from controls software as a library

- External system library from MSC.EASY5
- RTW library from Matlab

In MSC.ADAMS

- Import library as a GSE
- Perform simulation





# ADAMS/Controls - Process

## Build

- Create sub-system model in respective software
- **Specify communication** protocol: MSC.ADAMS and controls software  
Or
- **Import control/actuation** sub-system library into MSC.ADAMS

## Test

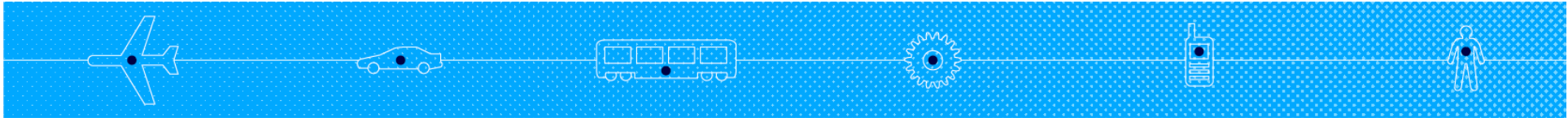
- Perform **communication based simulation**  
Or
- **Simulate combined system** in MSC.ADAMS

## Review

- View results (plots and animations) in respective software

## Improve

- Design evaluation of combined model with design parameters from **mechanical and actuation sub-systems**.

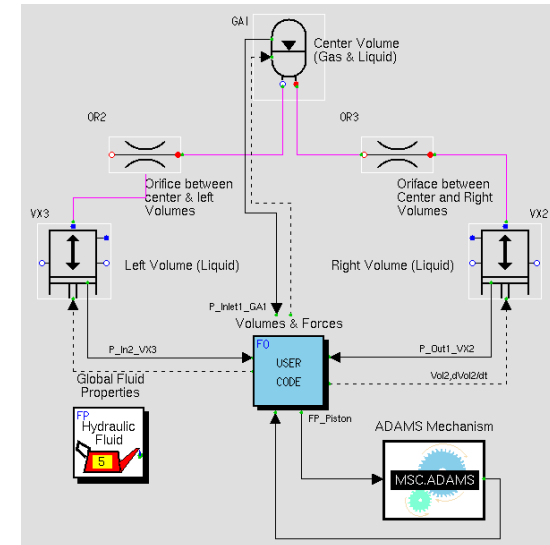


## Process - Build

- Create sub-system model in respective software
- Export mechanical sub-system template from MSC.ADAMS
- Import template into MSC.EASY5/Matlab
- Connect mechanical and actuation sub-systems

### For code export from MSC.EASY5/Matlab

- Define design variables and requests within MSC.EASY5/Matlab
- Export model library from MSC.EASY5/Matlab

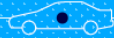




# Process - Test

## Pipe based communication

- MSC.ADAMS and MSC.EASY5/Matlab communication using pipes
- Both software codes have to reside and execute on the same machine
- Control system analyst has complete access to ADAMS model information



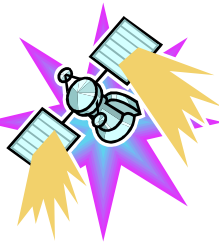
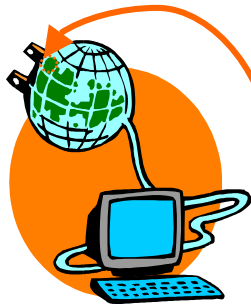
## Process - Test cont'd

### TCP/IP based communication

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- Software codes communicate using TCP/IP
- MSC.ADAMS and MSC.EASY5/Matlab can be on remote machines
- ADAMS model supplier maintain controls over their proprietary information

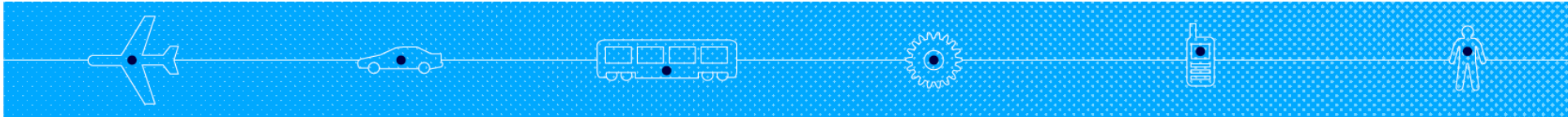
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MSC.EASY5



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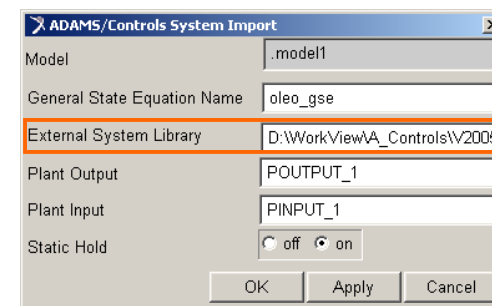


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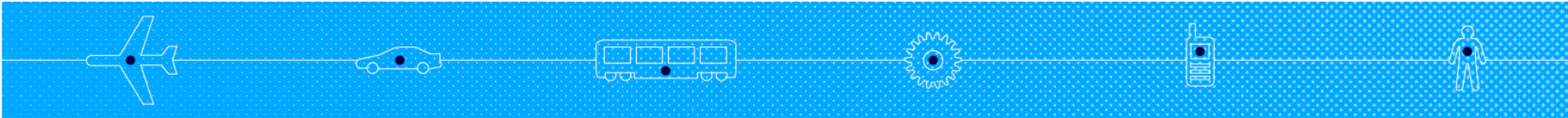
### Control system model library import into MSC.ADAMS

- Import control system library into MSC.ADAMS
  - **GSE representing control system** created in the ADAMS model
  - **Design variables created** for design variables of controls system
  - **Requests created** for output requests from control system
- Run combined system simulation in MSC.ADAMS
- Control system model library supplier retains control over proprietary information within the library



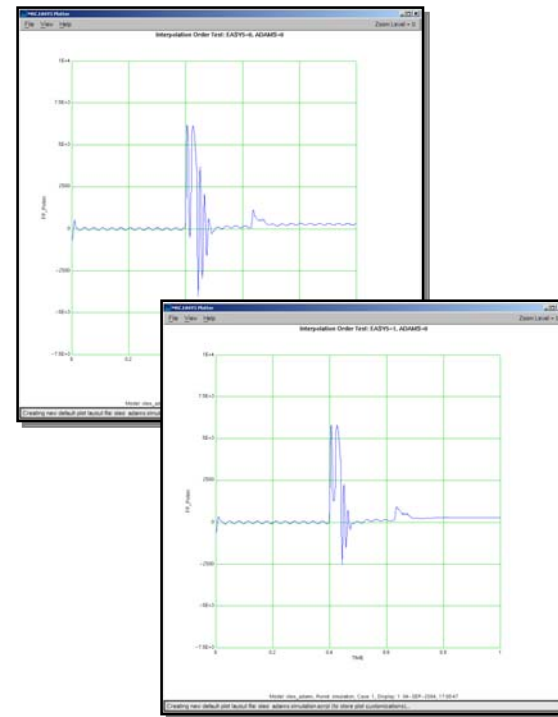
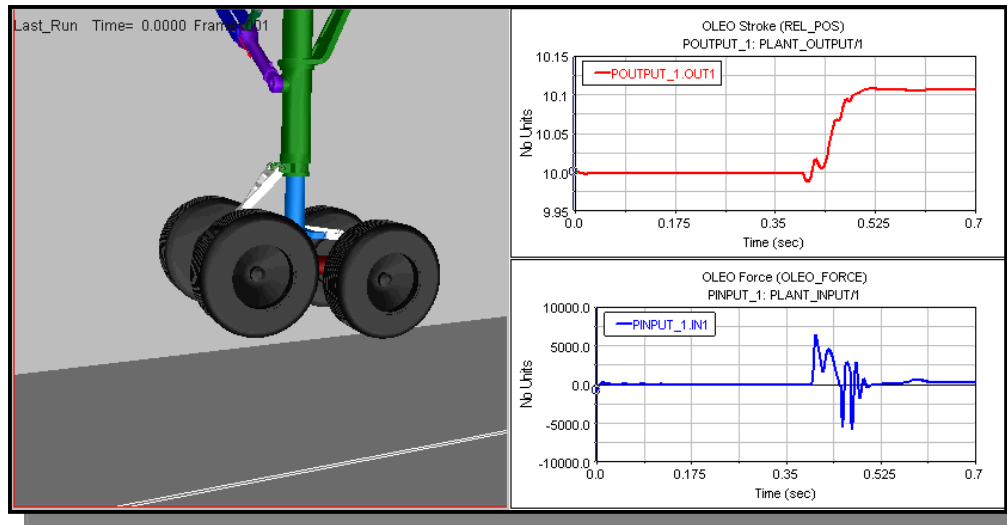
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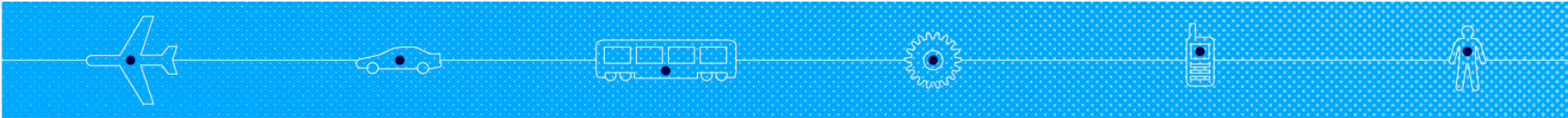


# Process - Review

View results in MSC.ADAMS or MSC.EASY5



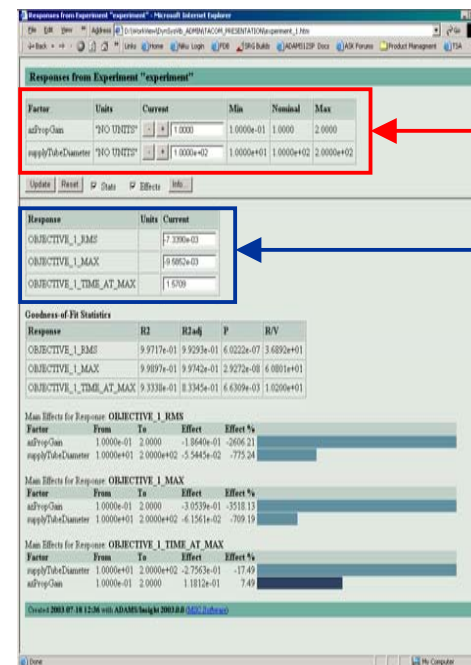
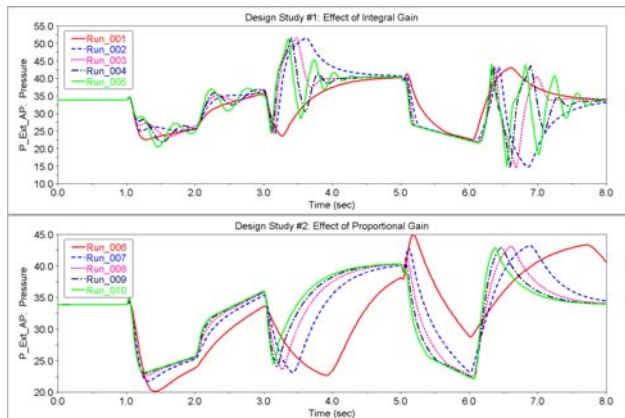
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# Process - Improve

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- Design studies
- Design of experiments
- Design optimization



Design variables

Design objectives



# Roadmap – ADAMS/Controls

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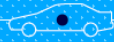
- **ADAMS+EASY5 Integration II**
  - C++ Solver available as an option in MSC.EASY5
- **Support for latest versions of Matlab/Simulink**

## Mid Term

- **ADAMS+EASY5 Integration III**
  - More analysis types supported in C++ Solver
- **Continued support for Matlab/Simulink**
- **TCP/IP communication enhancements**

## Long Term

- **ADAMS+EASY5 fully integrated**
- **Support for Matlab and/or other 3<sup>rd</sup> party products.**
- **Performance and robustness enhancements**



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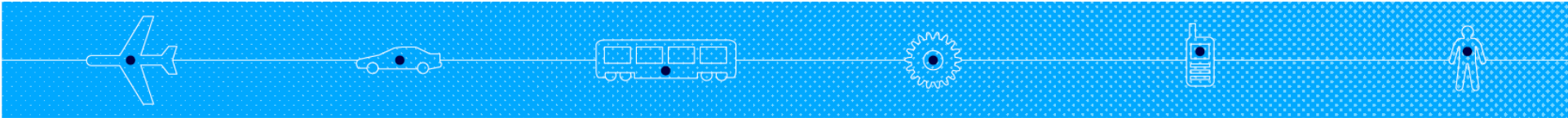
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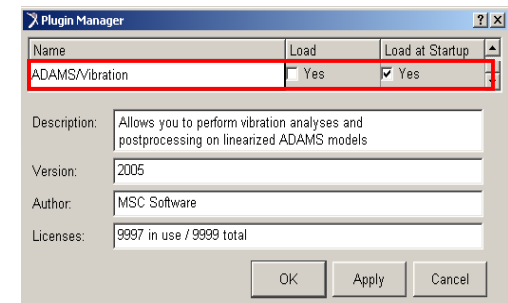
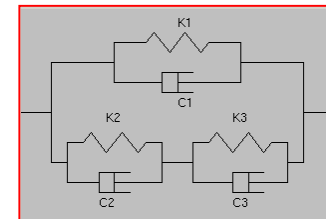
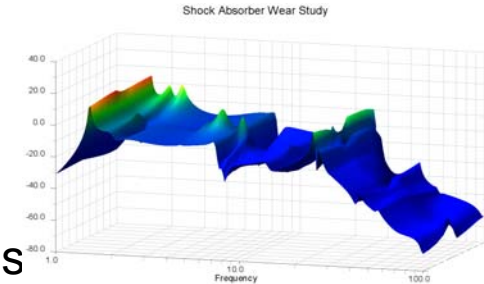
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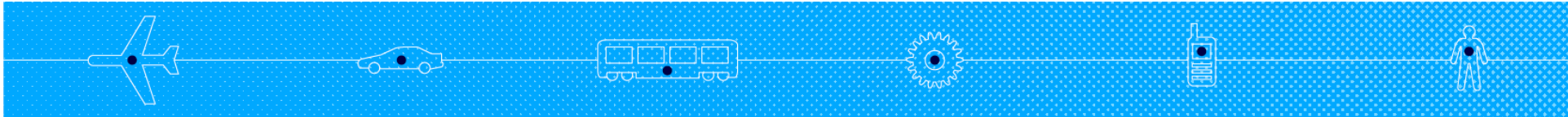
Frequency domain complement to ADAMS/Solver motion simulation

- **Frequency domain solver** for linearized ADAMS models
- **Frequency domain(FD) modeling** elements for frequency and time domain analysis

## Software environment

- **Interactive:** Plug-in within ADAMS/View, ADAMS/Car and other MSC.ADAMS vertical environments
  - Python based batch execution environment
  - Execute from 3<sup>rd</sup> party client applications





# ADAMS/Vibration: Why is it needed?

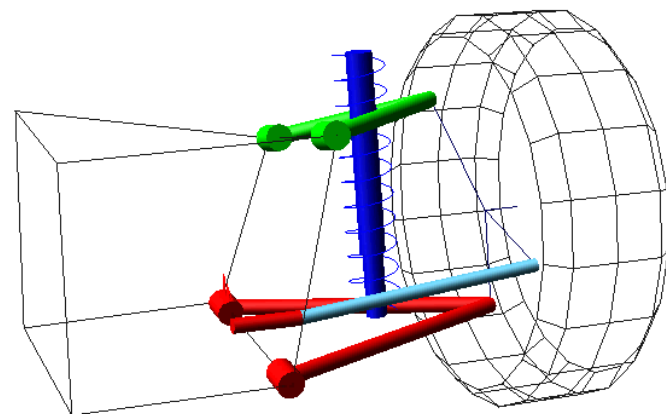
## Common ADAMS model

- frequency response and motion simulation

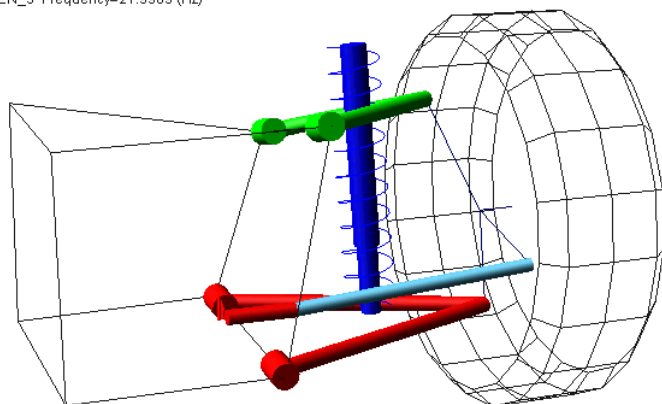
## Validate ADAMS models simultaneously for Motion and NVH attributes

- Reduce development times with parallel validation

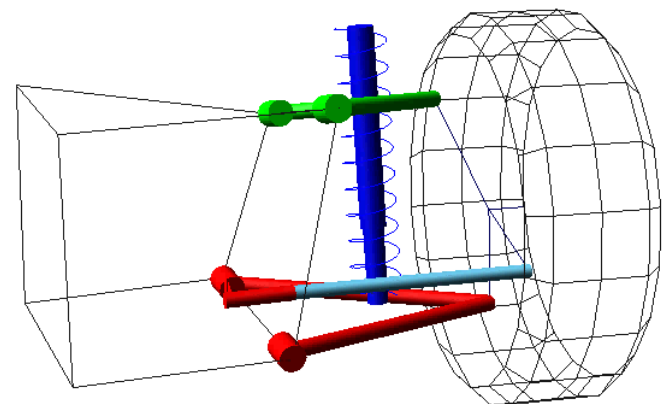
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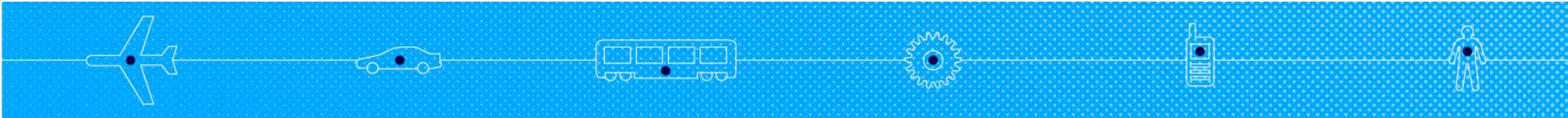
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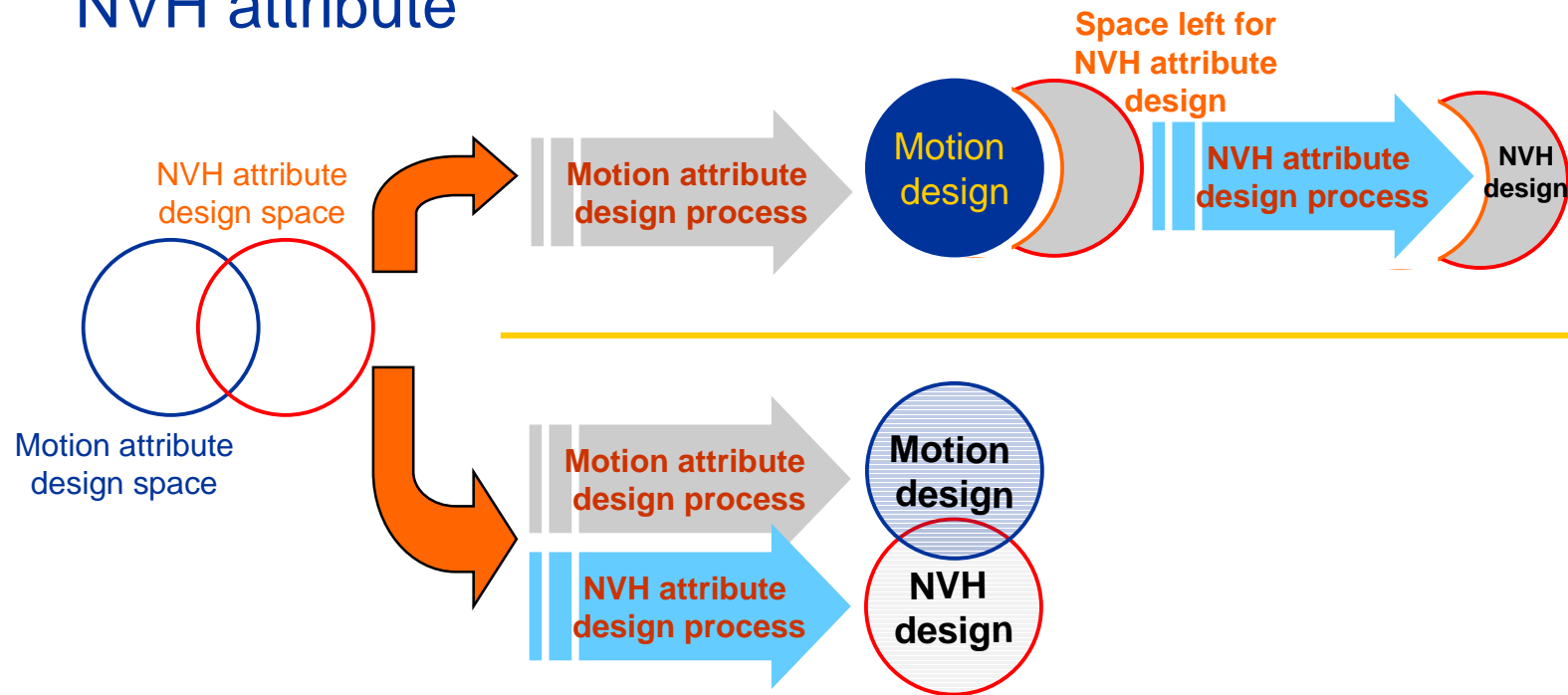


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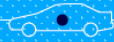


# ADAMS/Vibration: Why is it needed?

Improve design by making full design space available to NVH attribute



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# Process - How does it work?

## Build

- Build and instrument model

## Test

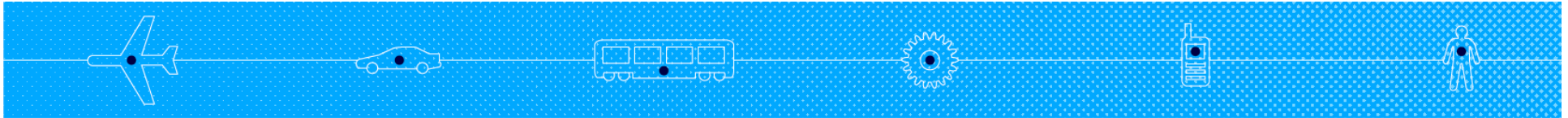
- Perform analysis

## Review

- View results – plots, animations, tables

## Improve

- Perform design evaluation



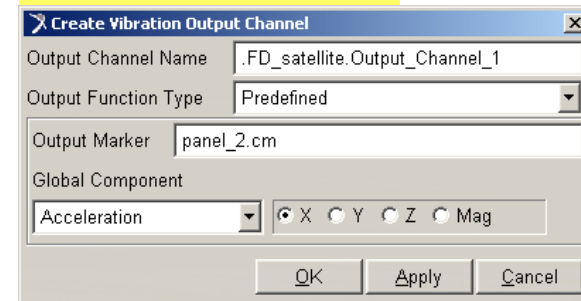
## Process - Build

Start with an existing or create a new ADAMS model

### Instrument your model

- Define **input channels**
  - Marker and direction of vibratory input
- Define **vibration actuators**
  - Vibratory forcing functions: swept sine, rotating mass...
  - Parameters: Magnitude, phase, mass imbalanced ...
- Define **output channels**
  - Marker and quantity to be measured: displacement, force ...

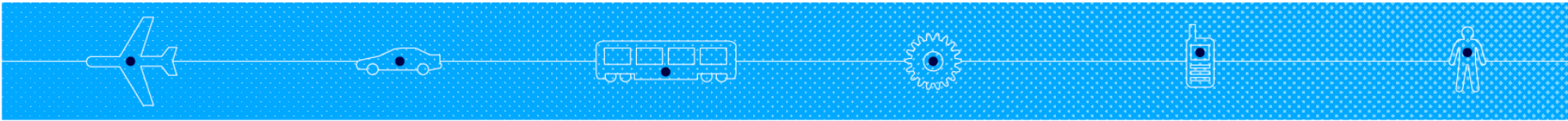
In ADAMS/View GUI



In Python

```
TR_A= AvOutputChannelPredefined("TieRodAccl", 100, "Acceleration", "X")
```

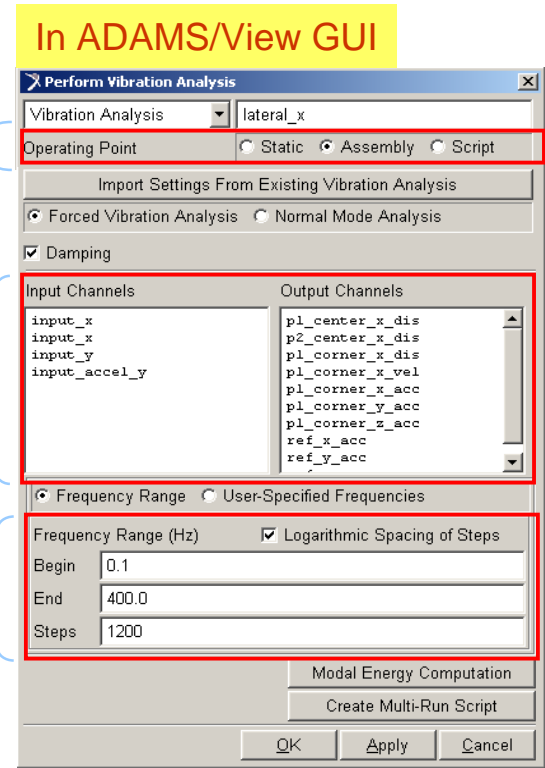
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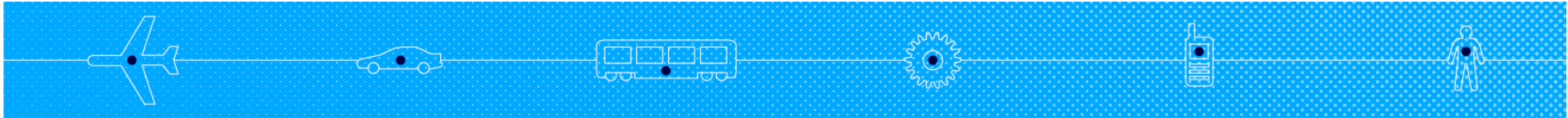
## Define an analysis

- Define an **operating point**
  - Static, assembly, dynamic
- Collection of **input, output** channels and vibration **actuators**
- Frequency analysis **range**



### In Python

```
LinMod=AvLinearModel(adm_FileName, InpChList, OutChList, acf_FileName, True, base_name,[])
```



# Build - Test

## Perform an analysis

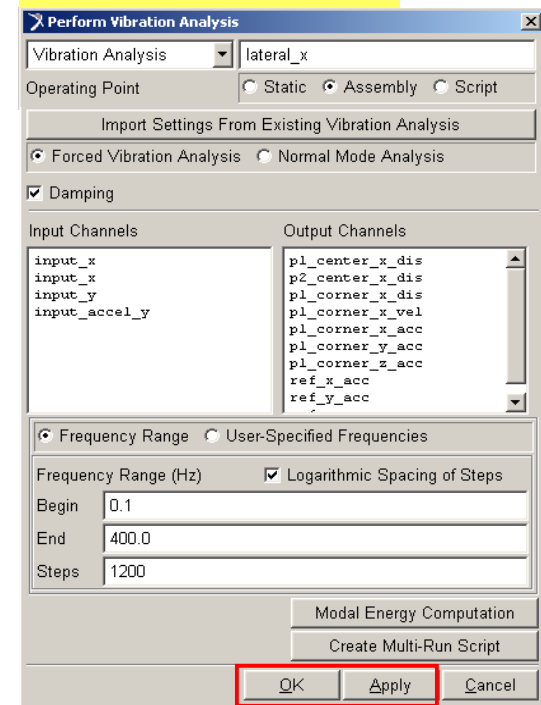
- Solves for operating point
- Linearizes the model at operating point
- Performs requested vibration analysis
  - Eigenvalue computation
  - Frequency response analysis

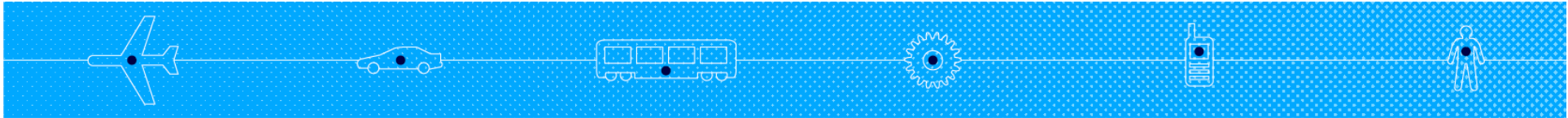
### In Python

```
f = AvMakeFrequency(0.1, 400, 1200, True)
Freq = AvAPI_Matrix(len(f), f)

# Frequency Response
FR = LinMod.FrequencyResponse(Freq)
```

### In ADAMS/View GUI

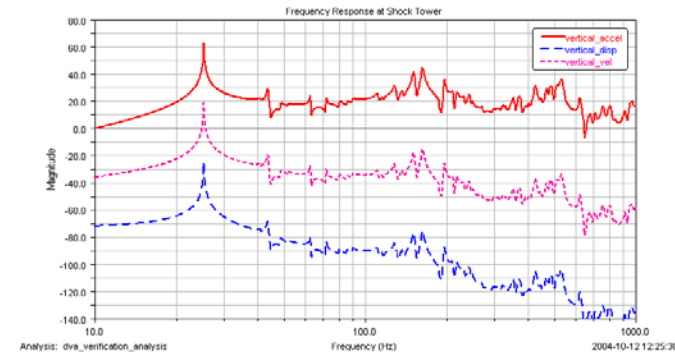




# Process - Review

## Plot system response

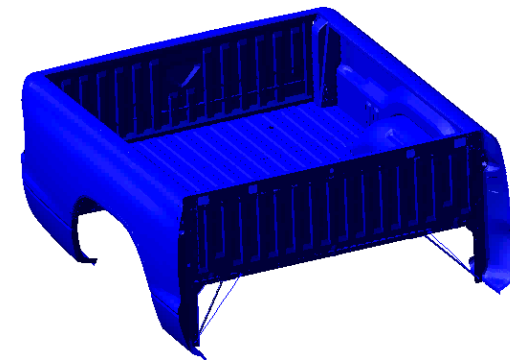
- FRF/Transfer function, PSD
  - Identify frequencies with peak response
- Modal coordinates and participation
  - Identify systems modes contributing to peak response

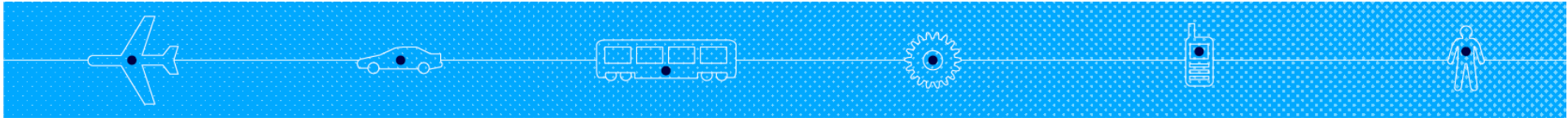


EIGEN\_1 Mode=26 Frequency=11.2030 (Hz)

## Animate system response

- Operating shape animations
  - Animate model at forcing frequencies
- Mode shape animations
  - Animate system modes





# Process - Review

## Tabular data output

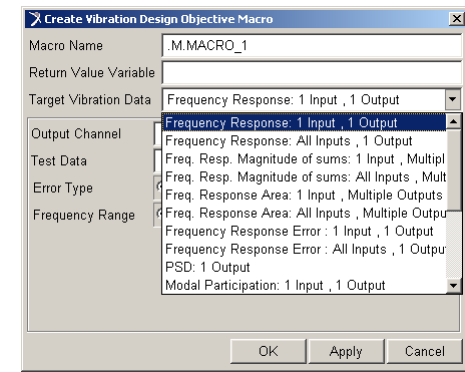
- Modal energy distribution within modes
  - Kinetic, strain and dissipative
    - Identify **model components contributing most to system modes**

Mode 11							
Percentage Distribution of Strain Energy							
Name	Total	X	Y	Z	RXX	RYY	RZZ
LF_SPRING	<b>18.80</b>	17.20	1.40	0.20			
<b>LF_TIRE</b>	<b>30.87</b>	0.00	0.00	30.87			
RF_SPRING	<b>18.80</b>	17.20	1.40	0.20			
<b>RF_TIRE</b>	<b>30.87</b>	0.00	0.00	30.87			
LR_SPRING	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.07			
LR_TIRE	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.26			
RR_SPRING	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.07			
RR_TIRE	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.26			

# Process - Improve

Design studies, design of experiments and design optimization

- **Vibration specific design objectives**
  - Based of frequency response, modal coordinates
  - Modal energy distribution
  - Eigenvalues
- **Trade off vibration and motion** objectives in a single design evaluation.





# Release history

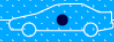
## Introduced in ADAMS 11

- Plug-in for ADAMS/View

## Enhancements in ADAMS 12

- Vibration specific design objectives
- Modal energy computation
- Post processing enhancements
- Improved integration with ADAMS vertical products (Car...)





# ADAMS/Vibration 2005

## Build context

- Introduced **frequency dependent (FD)** modeling elements
  - 1 to 6 directions
  - Pfeffer, bushing...
- **Instrument pack** for mechanical transfer function computations in python batch mode
  - Mobility, impedance, compliance...
  - Dynamic and static compliance matrix computation
  - Interoperable with ADAMS/PostProcessor

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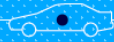
# ADAMS/Vibration 2005

## Test context

- Save vibration results to ADAMS xml results files
  - Available in ADAMS/View GUI and python batch environment
- Improved interoperability between ADAMS/View GUI and python batch environment



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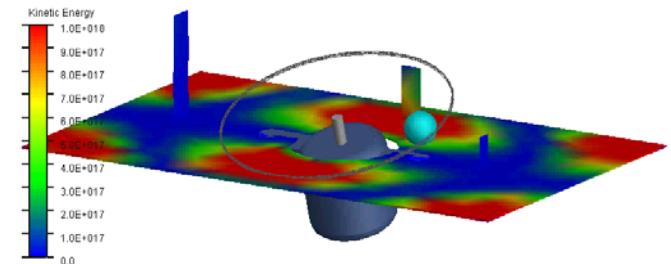
## Review context

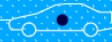
- Plot **vibration results** saved in ADAMS **xml results** files
- Flex\_body **vibration animation enhancements**
  - Modal energy contour animations
  - Improvements in basic animation
- Tracking eigenvalues in scatter plots.
- Rudimentary but customizable **plotting** in standalone **python** scripting environment



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# ADAMS/Vibration 2005

## Improve context

- Expanded **integration with ADAMS/Insight**
  - New design objectives
    - Area under frequency response curve,...
    - Energy objectives...
- Improved ability to perform **large number of design experiments**

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# Roadmap – ADAMS/Vibration

## Short Term

- Build-test-review-  
improve emphasis in  
interface
- Integration with  
MSC.Nastran - I
- Python scripting  
environment - I
- Support for C++ solver

## Mid Term

- Integration with  
MSC.Nastran - II
- Python scripting  
environment - II
- Support for Frequency  
domain fatigue
- Continuing support for  
ADAMS vertical  
environments

## Long Term

- System level NVH  
solver for MSC
- Python scripting  
environment - III
- Non-linear frequency  
response analysis
- Continuing support for  
ADAMS vertical  
environments



## 2006 Plans

Greater emphasis on **Build-Test-Review-Improve** paradigm

- Reorganization of menu structure and python classes

Integration with MSC.Nastran

- ADAMS external superelement (AES) for Nastran
  - Export linearized ADAMS models for incorporation in Nastran
- Perform analyses in Nastran
  - Static, eigenvalue, frequency response...

Continuing development of the python based scripting environment

- Customizable and embeddable in 3<sup>rd</sup> party environments
- Tighter linking with ADAMS/Insight



# Future Plans

## System level NVH solver for MSC

- Further integration with MSC.Nastran
  - Massively scalable solutions
  - Integration of multiple domains

## Continued development of analysis in standalone batch environment

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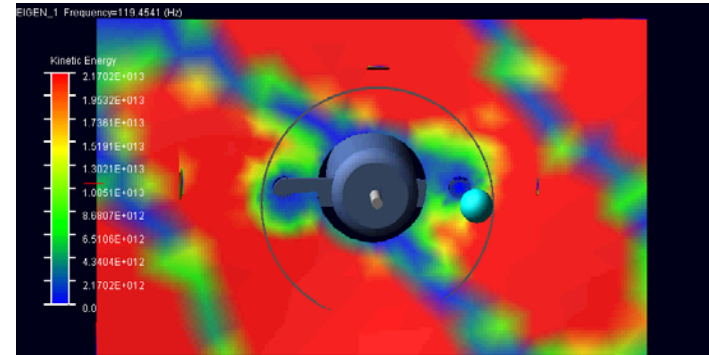
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