

# **Double Offset CV Joint Analysis Program Based on ADAMS**

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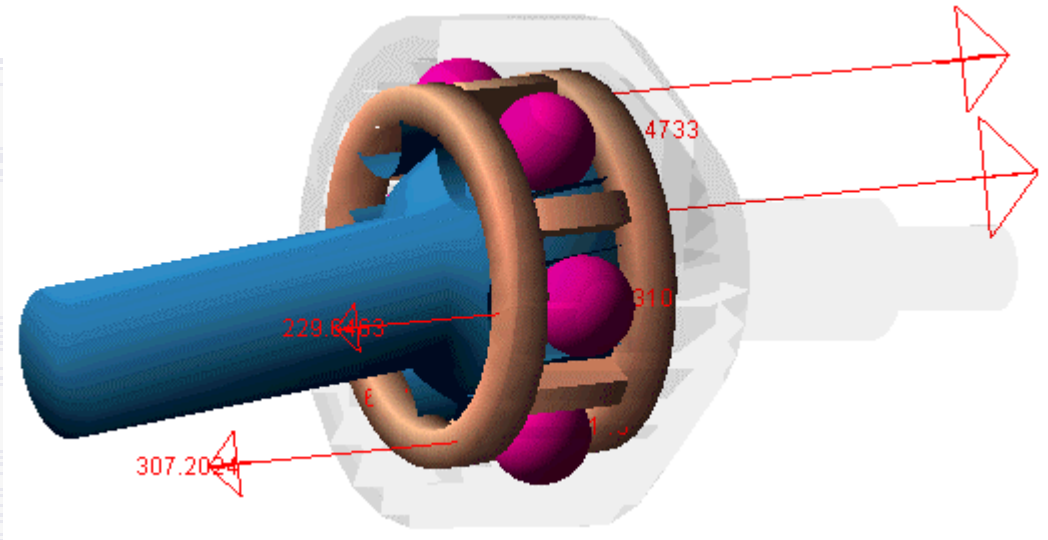
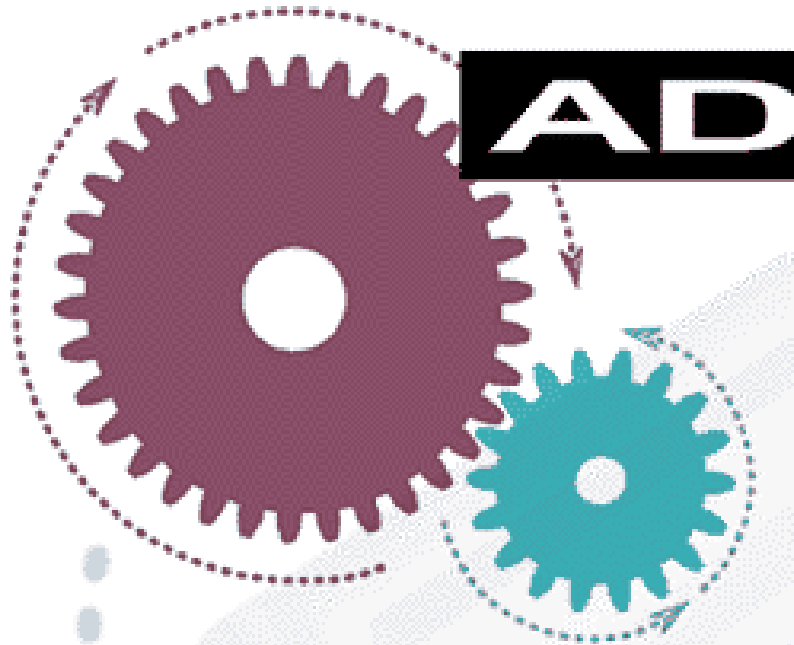
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## **ABSTRACT**

This paper presents an ADAMS-based CAE tool for automated model generation and standardized dynamic simulation of double offset type constant velocity (CV) joints for automotive driveline applications. Its model generation is performed either by graphical input panels or by a model file in neutral file format. Analysis results are viewed in both animation pictures and plots.



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## ***Double Offset CV Joint Analysis***

***2000 ADAMS International User's  
Conference, Orlando, FL***

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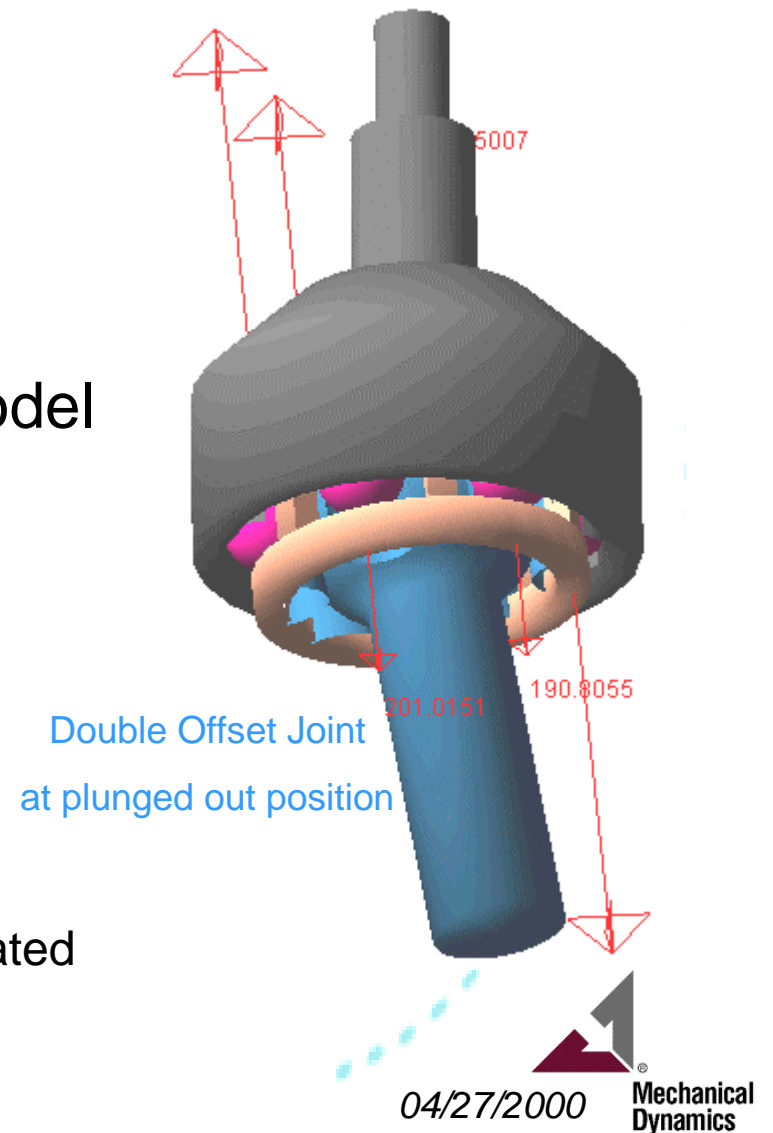
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## *What is CV Joint?*

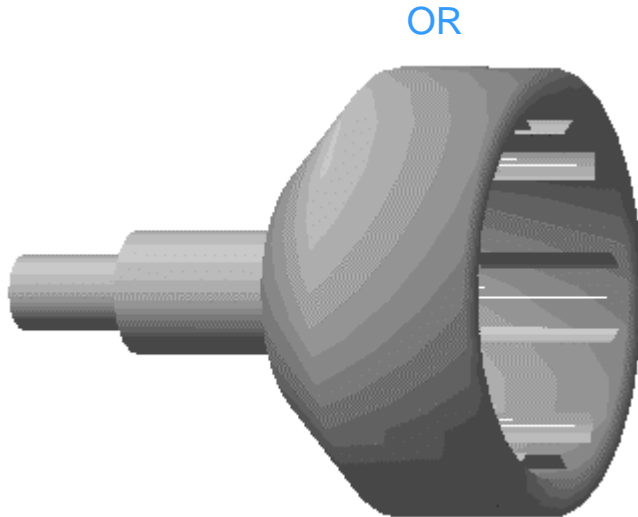
- **CV joint is a driveline component whose output speed equals to the input speed at any joint angle**
  - ◆ **Examples of CV joints** ➔ Rzeppa joint, Cross Groove joint, Double Offset joint
  - ◆ **Examples of non-CV joints** ➔ Universal joints (Cardan joints), Double Cardan joints
- **CV joints allow the driveline to have**
  - ◆ **Articulation DOF** ➔ allows joint angle
  - ◆ **Axial Plunge DOF** (some free type CVJ) ➔ allows end motion



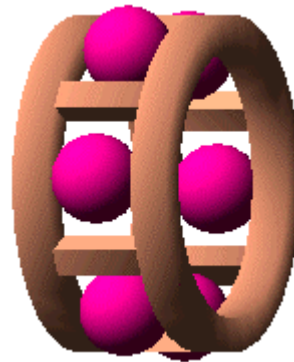
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## Construction of the CV Joints?

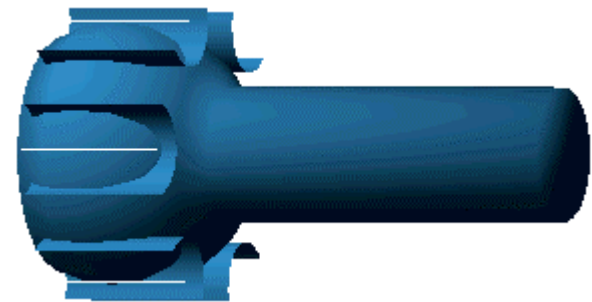
- Outer Race (OR)
- Inner Race (IR)
- Cage (Retainer)
- Balls



Cage & Balls

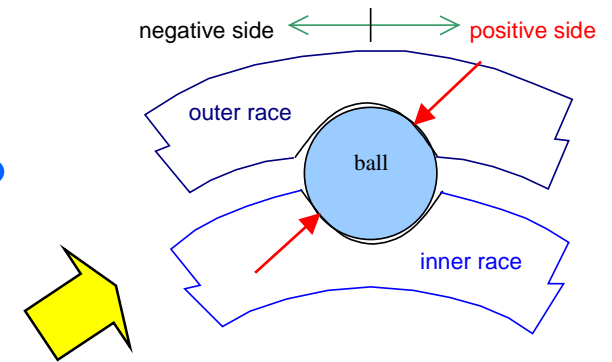


IR





## How do CV Joints work?



- Torque is transmitted via couple of **steel balls** squeezed between the IR and OR grooves
- The balls are **steered** (located) to the **bisecting angle plane** by intersecting IR and OR groove centerlines
- The groove centerline intersection is achieved by the use of axially **offset** curved grooves or **inclined** straight grooves



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## *Types of CV Joints?* *(based on ball steering mechanism)*

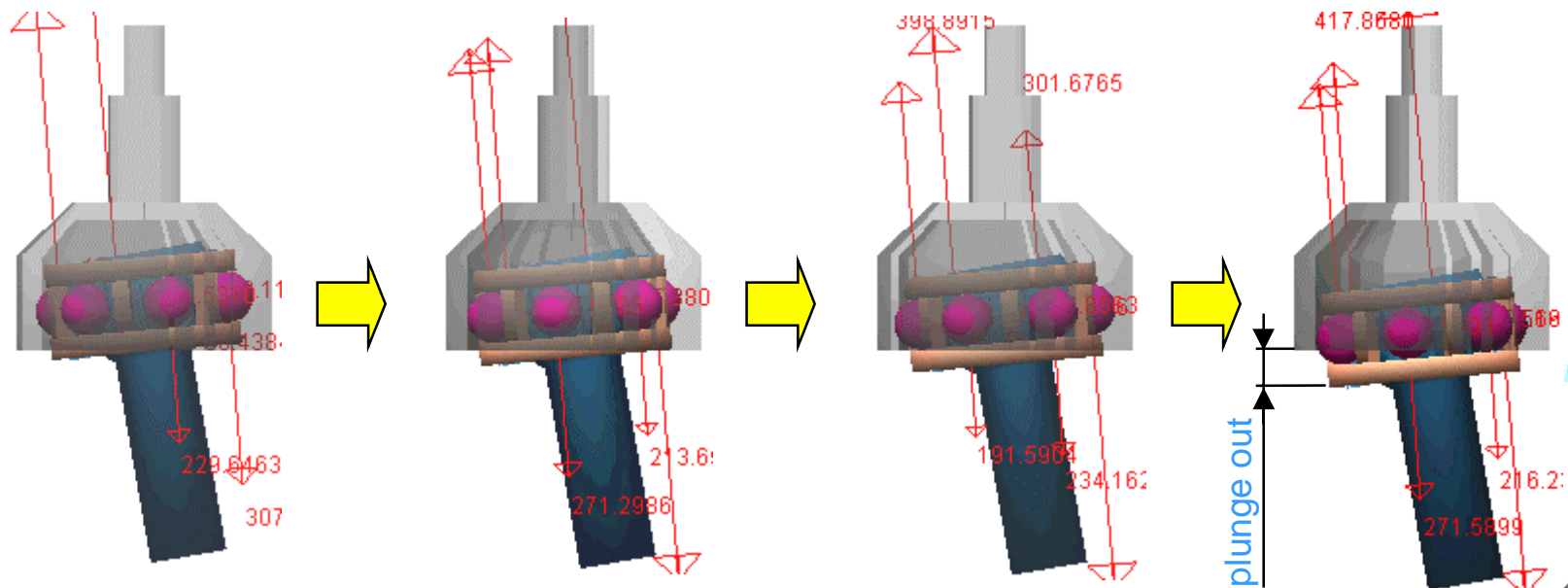
- **Rzeppa** CV Joint ➔ axially offset curved OR and IR grooves
- **Undercut Free** Joint ➔ a variant of Rzeppa CV joint of which grooves are partially straight
- **Cross Groove** CV Joint ➔ laterally inclined straight grooves
- **Double Offset** CV Joint ➔ axially offset cage spherical surfaces
- **Weiss** CV Joint ➔ radially inclined straight grooves
- **Tripod** CV Joint ➔ straight OR grooves + spherical IR rollers



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## Types of CV Joints? (based on plunge capability)

- **Fixed** Type Joints ➔ Rzeppa, Undercut free, Weiss
- **Free** Type Joints ➔ Cross Groove, Tripod
- **Fixed** or **Free** ➔ Double offset

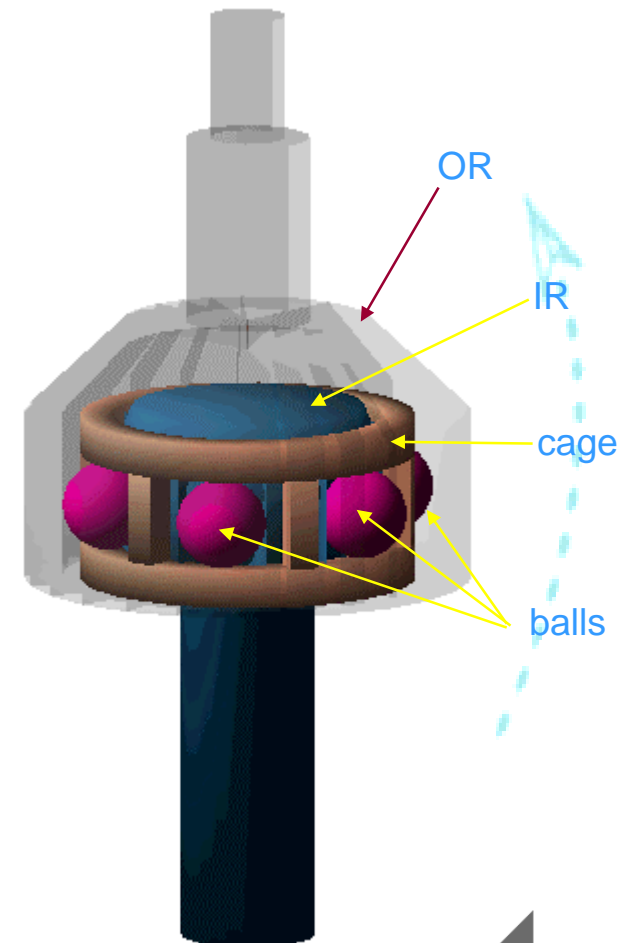






## Double Offset CV Joint

- **OR** with axially straight grooves & inner spherical surface
- **IR** with axially straight grooves & outer spherical surface
- **Cage** with axially offset inner & outer spherical surfaces
- **Balls**



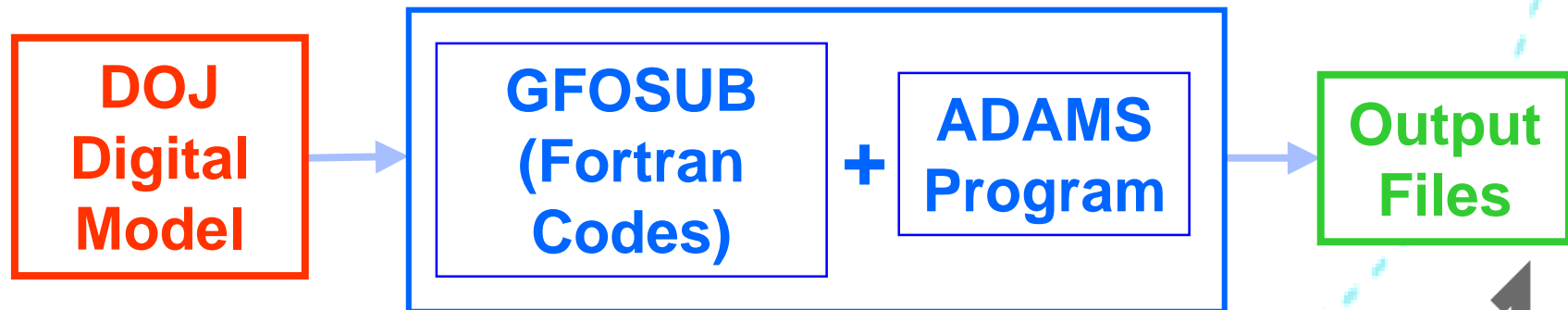


## Structure of DOJ Model

- **Model Generation:**



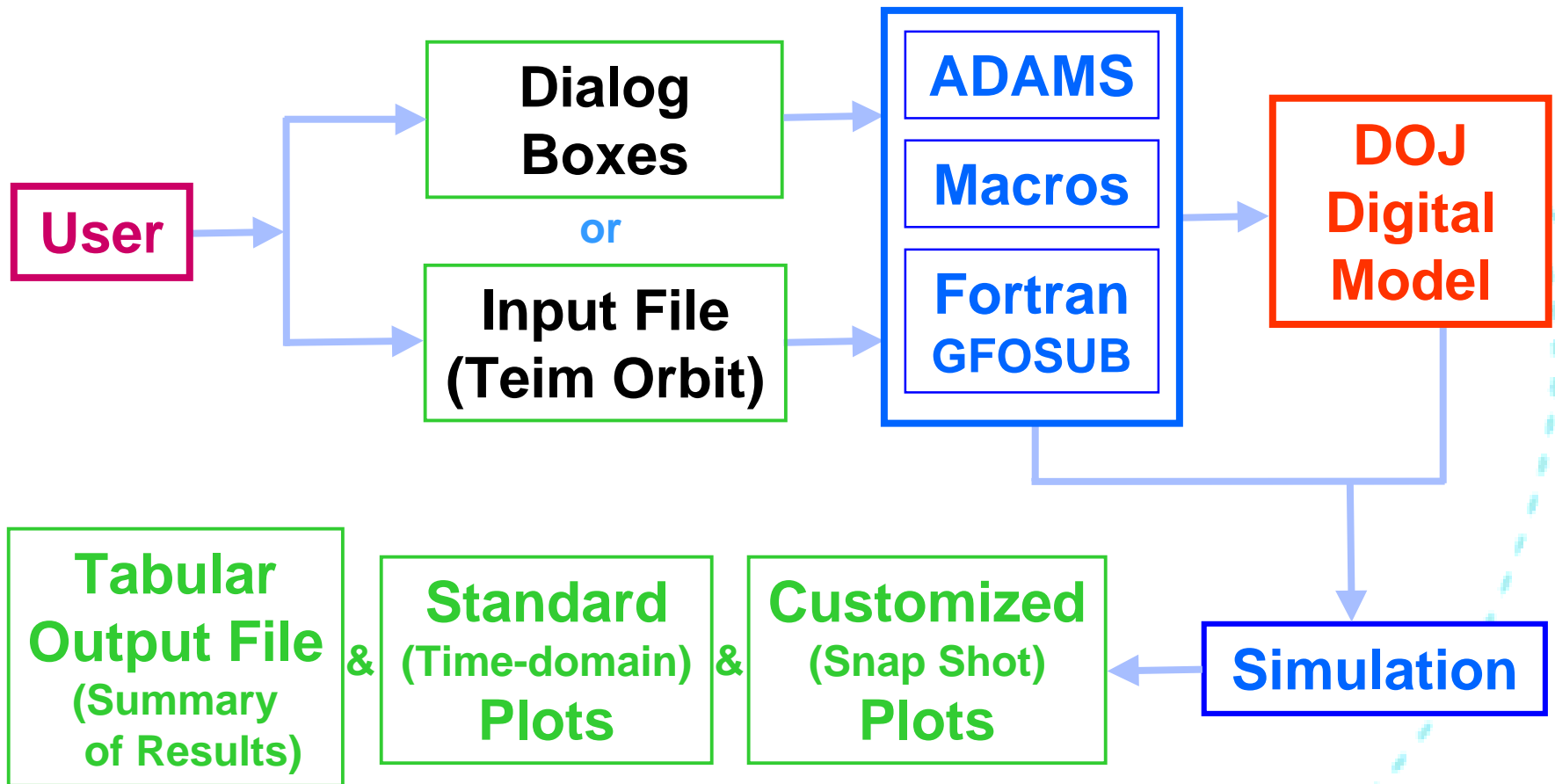
- **Simulation:**





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## Model Creation & Simulation Procedure



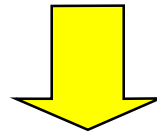


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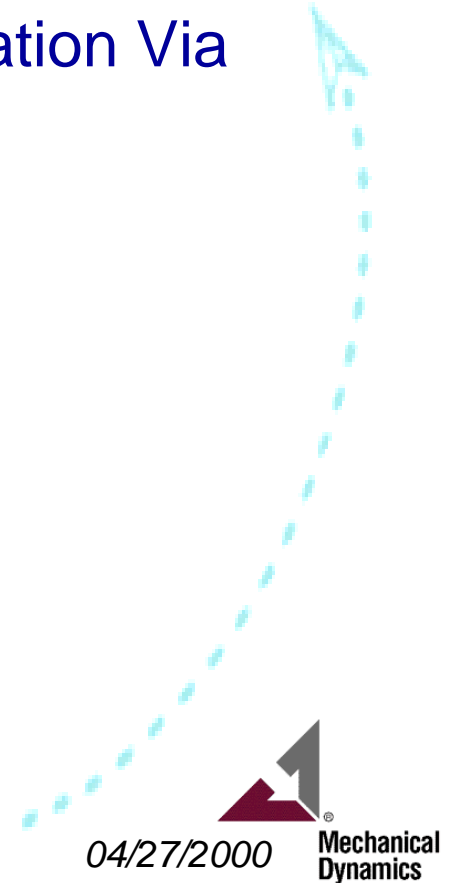
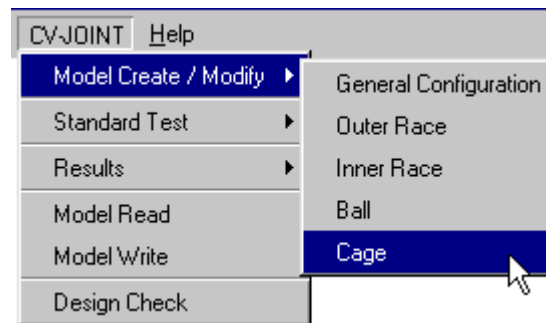
## *DOJ Model Generation*

### *Step 0 -- Customized Menu*

Customized ADAMS/View Ensures That The User Follows The “Correct” Path In Model Creation Via **Sequentially Activated Buttons:**



Customized DOJ menu



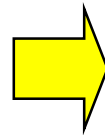
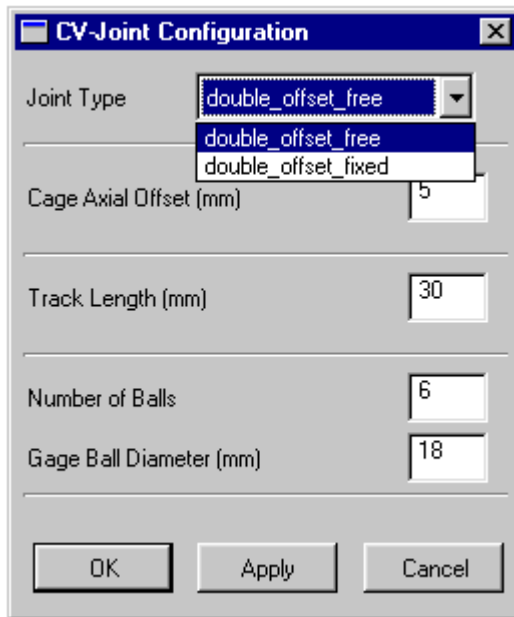


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## *DOJ Model Generation*

### *Step 1 -- Configuration*

Overall configuration dialog box



- Joint Type Options:
  - ◆ **Fixed Type** ➔ Joint Articulation Only
  - ◆ **Free Type** ➔ Allows Axial Plunging
- Any Number of Balls (Grooves)
- Any Amount of Offset



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## DOJ Model Generation

### Step 2 -- Create Outer Race

**Outer Race Definition**

Geometry-based Inertia  
 User-input Inertia

Bore Diameter (mm)

Pitch Circle Diameter (mm)

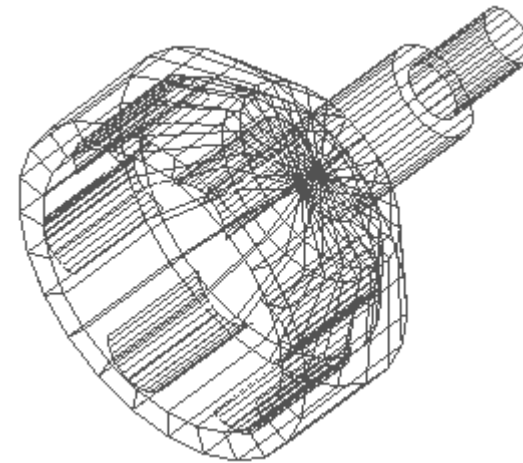
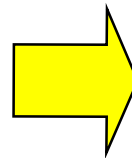
Track Radius (mm)

Contact Angle (degrees)

Young's Modulus (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

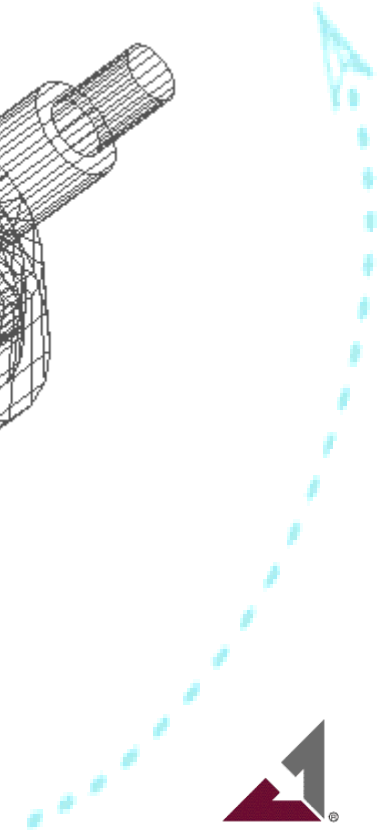
Poisson's Ratio

Friction coeff. with Balls



OR

OR dialog box





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## DOJ Model Generation

### Step 3 -- Create Inner Race

**Inner Race Definition**

Geometry-based Inertia  
 User-input Inertia

Pitch Diameter (mm)

Spherical Diameter (mm)

Inner Race Width (mm)

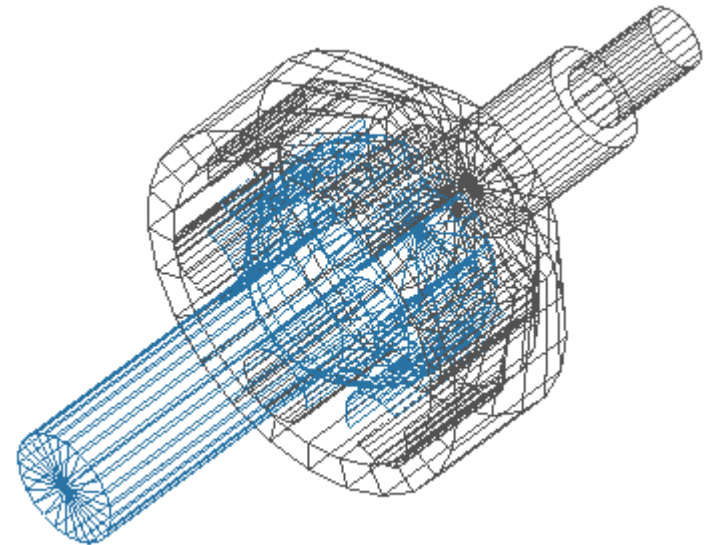
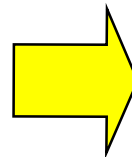
Track Radius (mm)

Contact Angle (degrees)

Young's Modulus (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

Poisson's Ratio

Friction coeff. with Balls



OR + IR

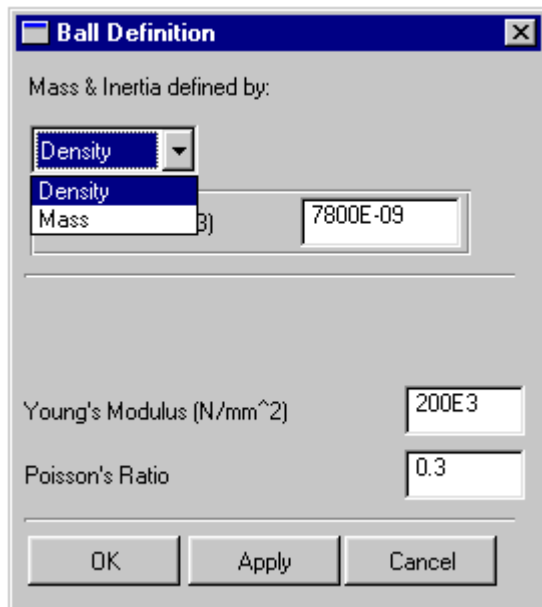
IR dialog box



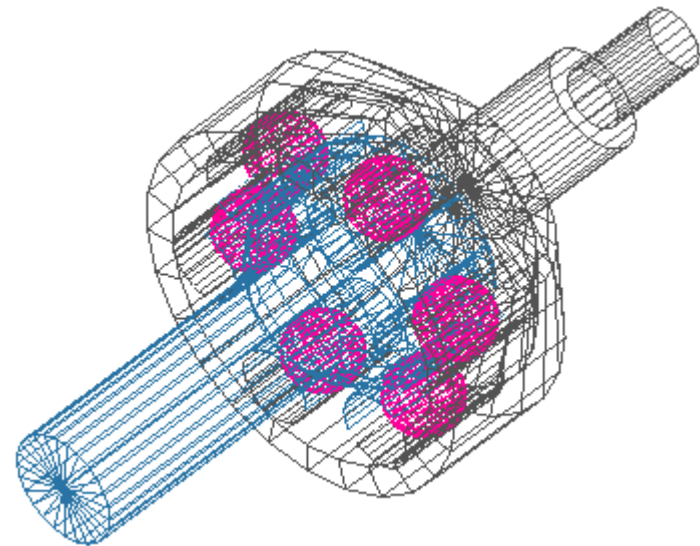
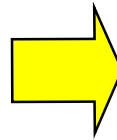
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## DOJ Model Generation

### Step 4 -- Create Balls



Ball dialog box



OR + IR + Balls





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## DOJ Model Generation

### Final Step 5 -- Create Cage (Retainer)

**Cage Definition**

Geometry-based Inertia  
 User-input Inertia

Cage Outer Diameter (mm)

Bore Diameter (mm)

Cage Width (mm)

Window Width (mm)

Window Length (mm)

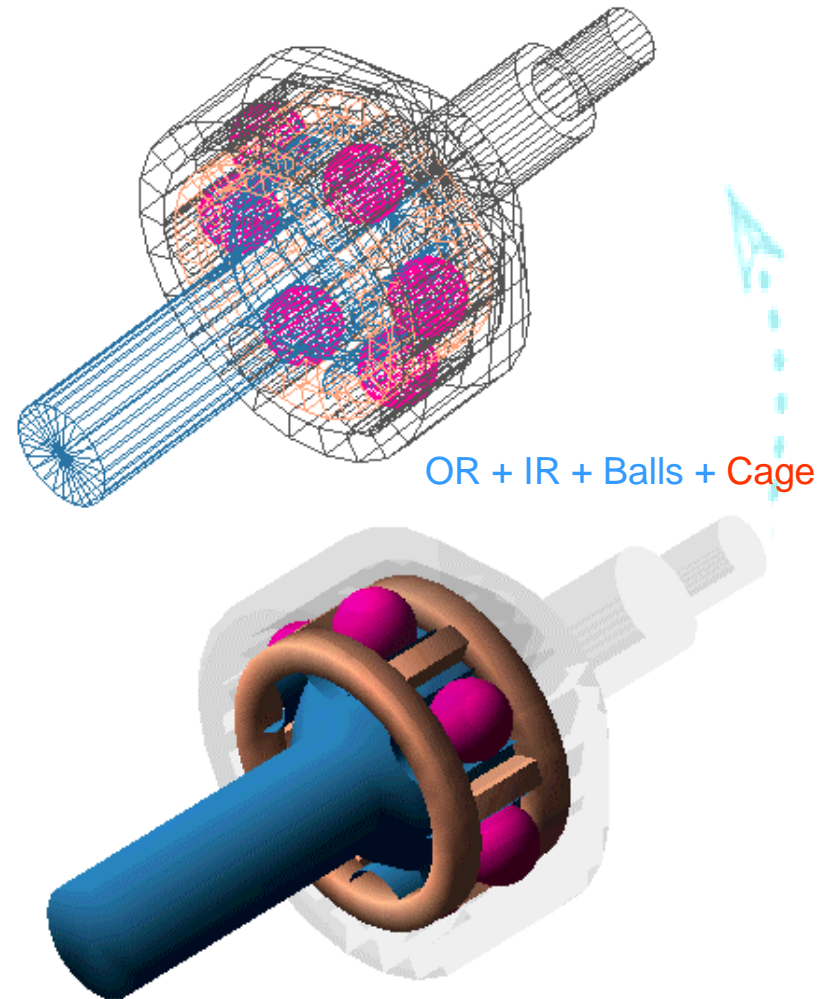
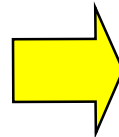
Ball-Window Clearance (mm)

Young's Modulus (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

Poisson's Ratio

Friction coeff. with Balls

Cage dialog box

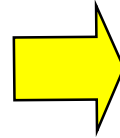
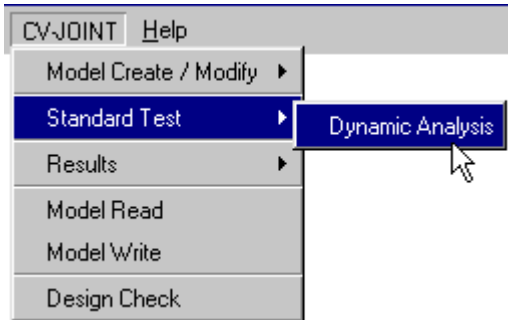




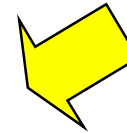
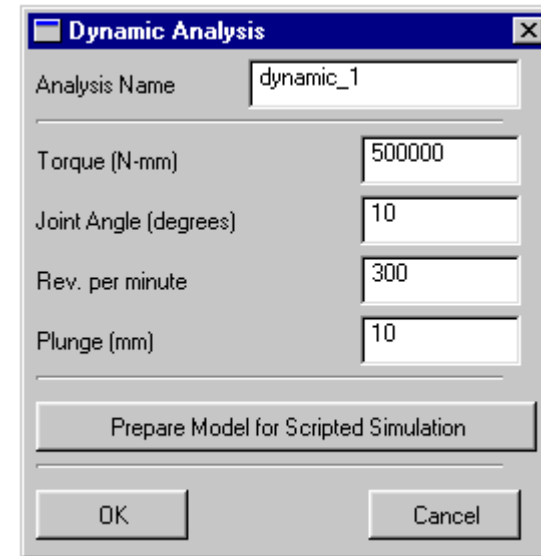
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## Dynamic Simulation

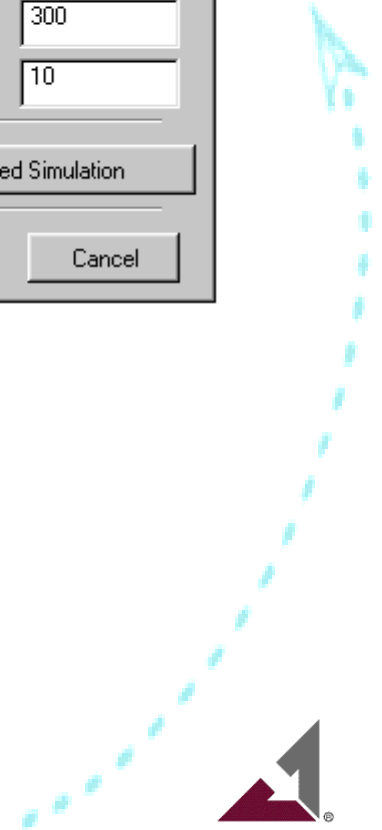
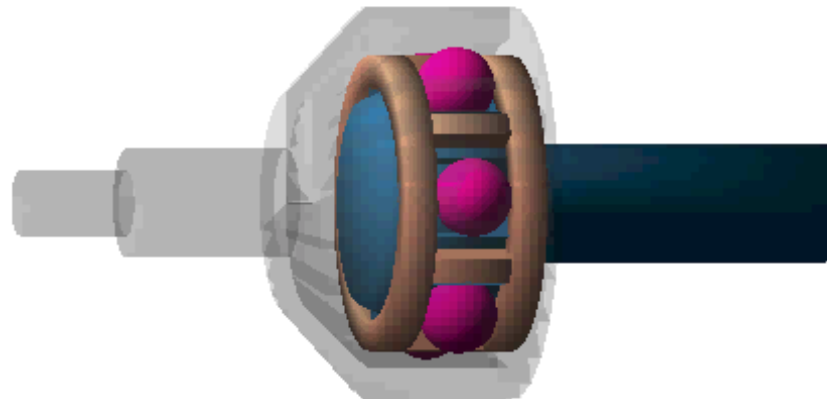
Dynamic Analysis Menu



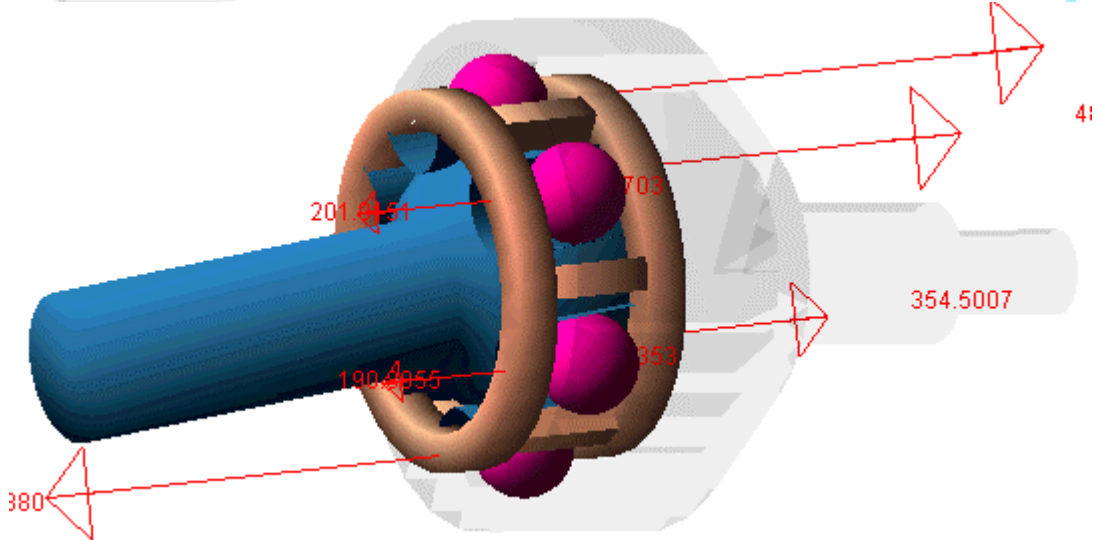
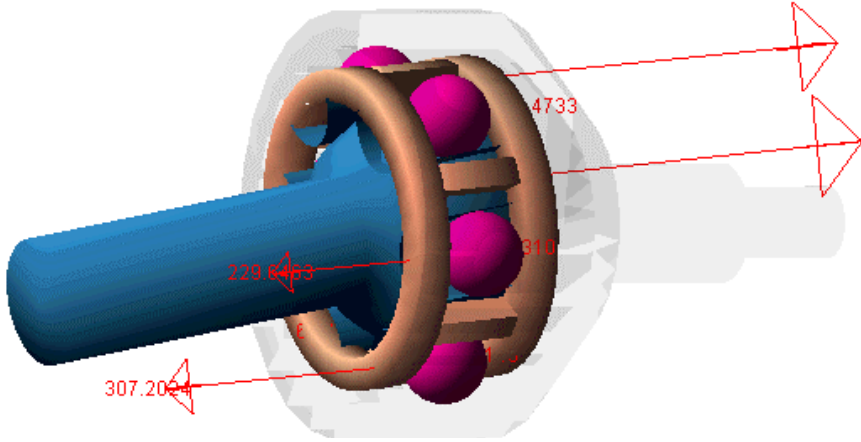
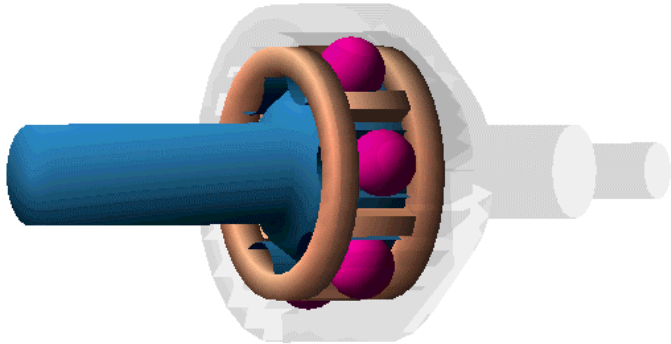
Simulation Dialog Box



Simulation Results  
(Animation Movie)



# Dynamic Simulation (X-Ray View)

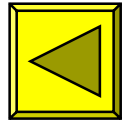




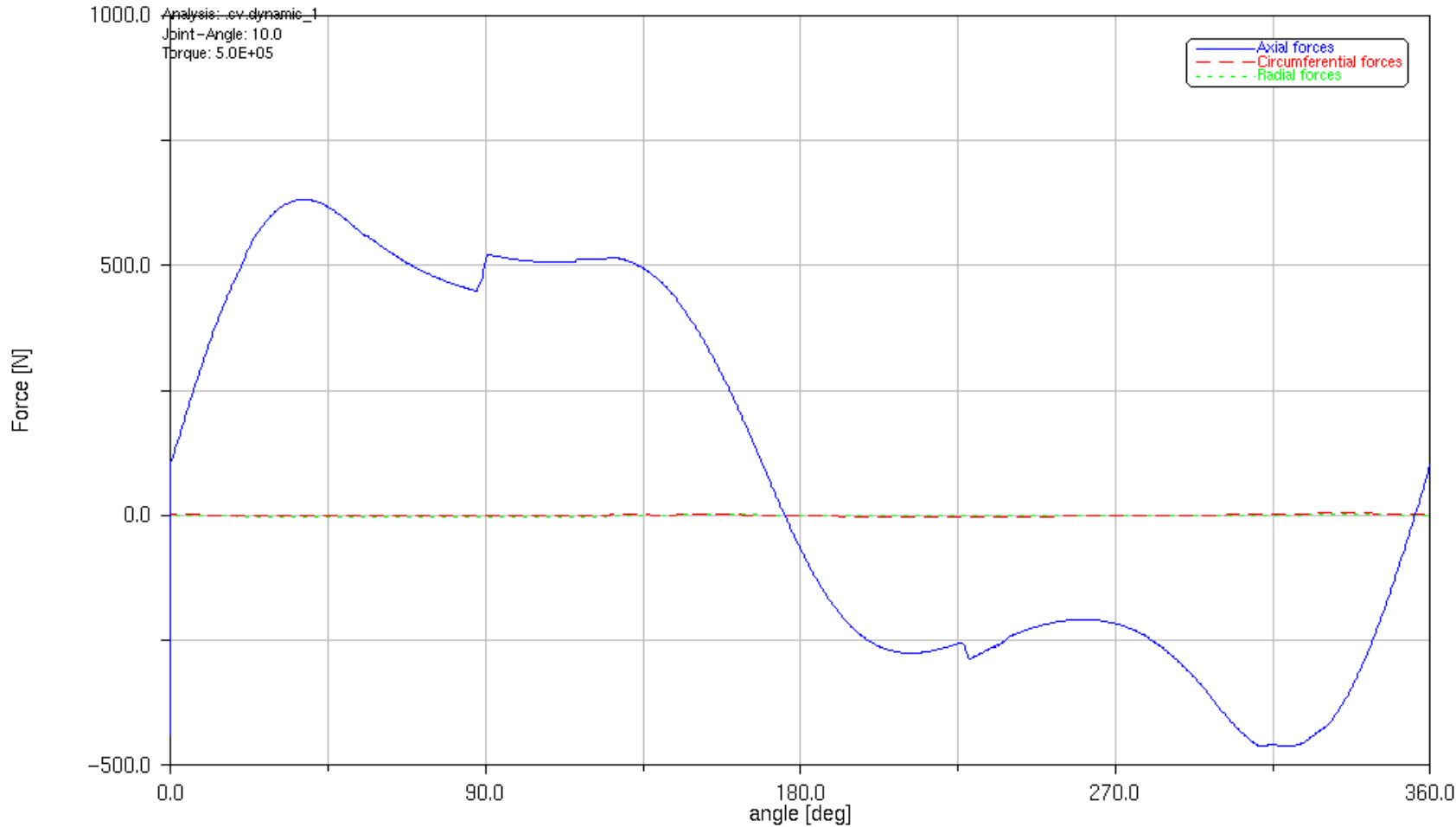
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# (Sample Result Plots)

double offset joint  
ball-cage contact forces



Fores between ball and cage

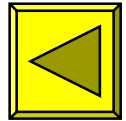




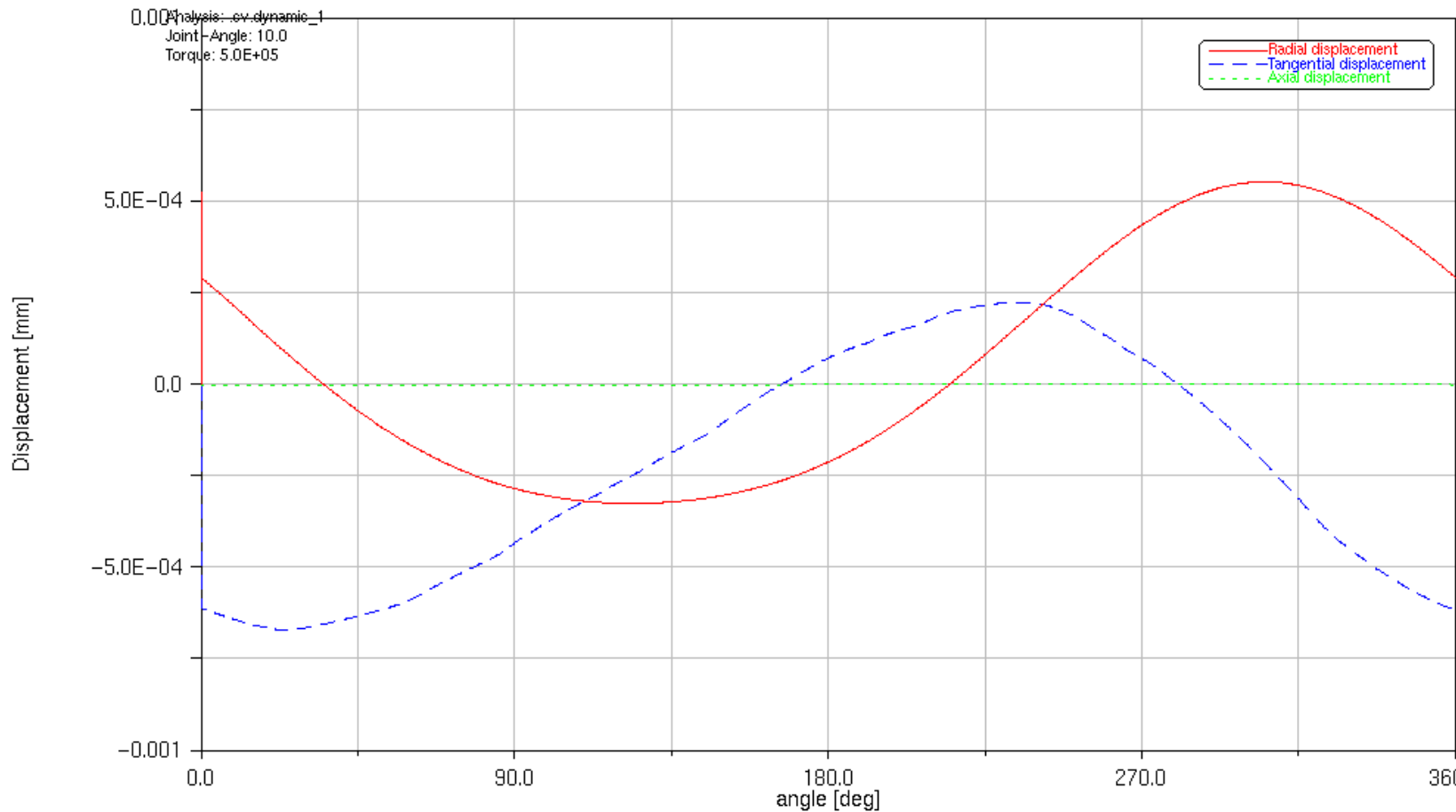
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# (Sample Result Plots)

double offset joint  
ball-cage relative displacement



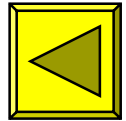
Displacement of Ball1 from Neutral Position in Cage Window





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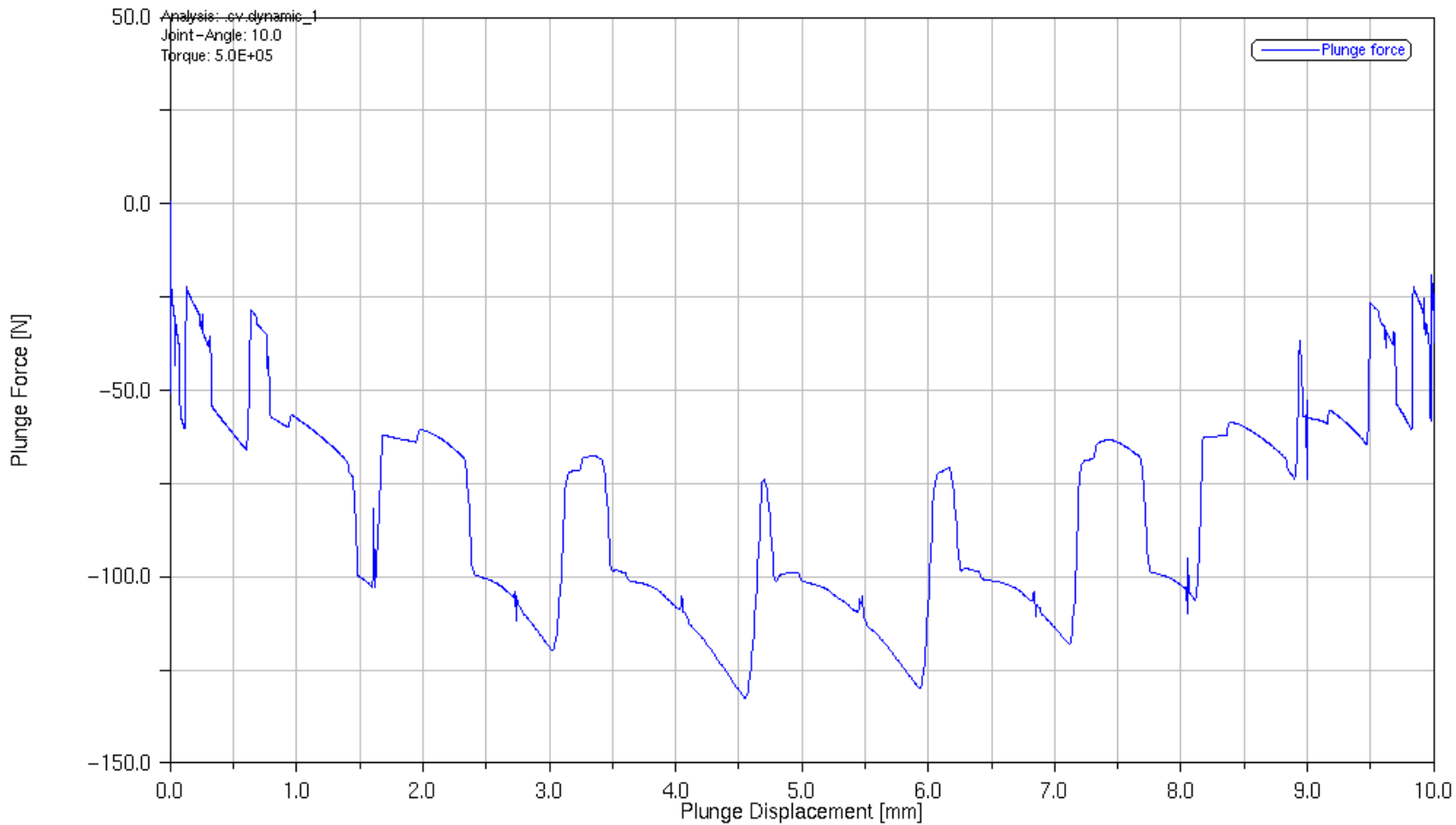
# (Sample Result Plots)



## double offset joint plunge force



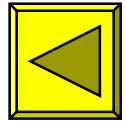
Plunge force



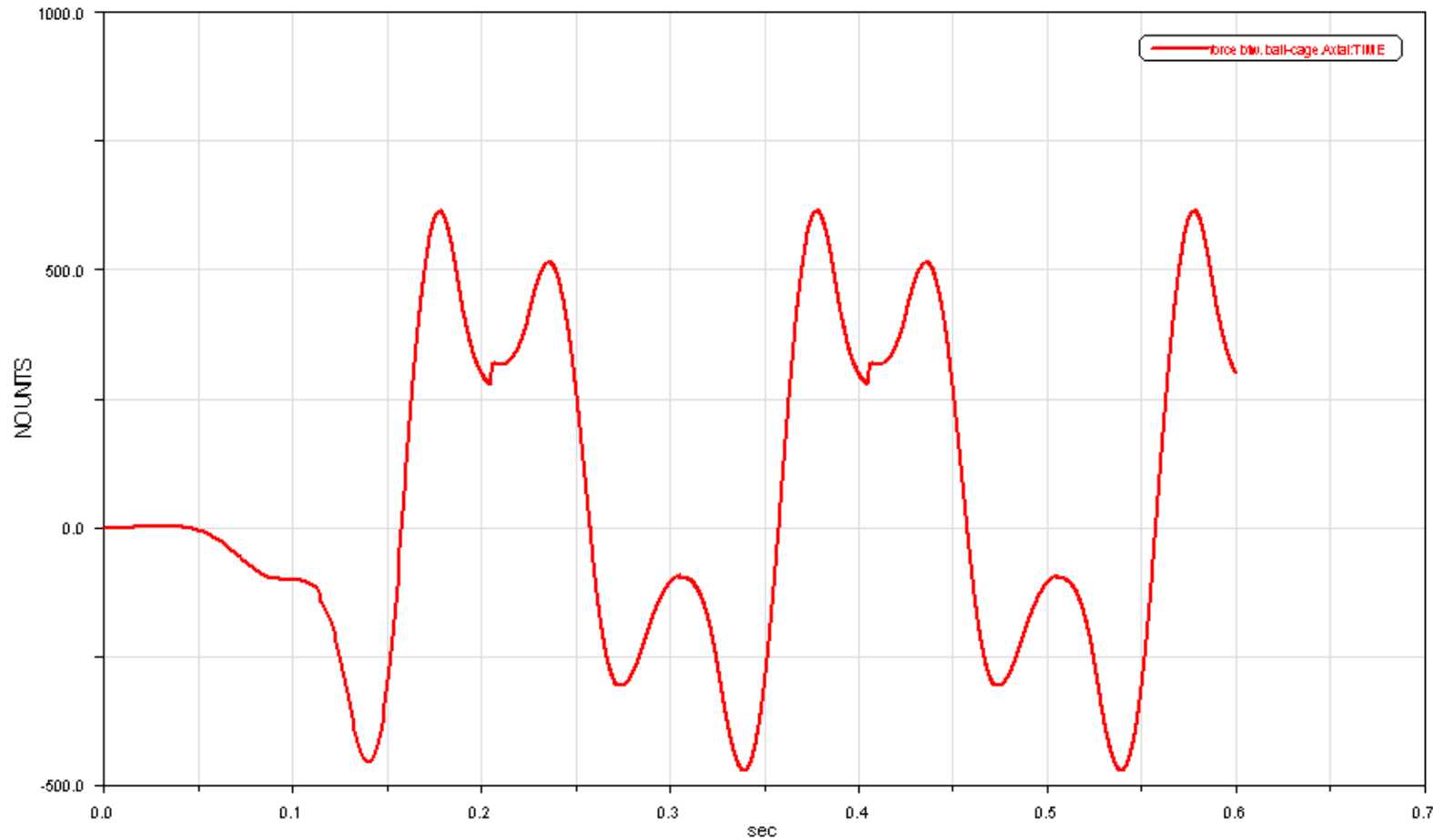


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# (Sample Result Plots)



double offset joint  
time-domain plot





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## Design Experiment Capability

**Double Offset Joint -- Design Experiment**

Note 1: User may modify the values in the input fields

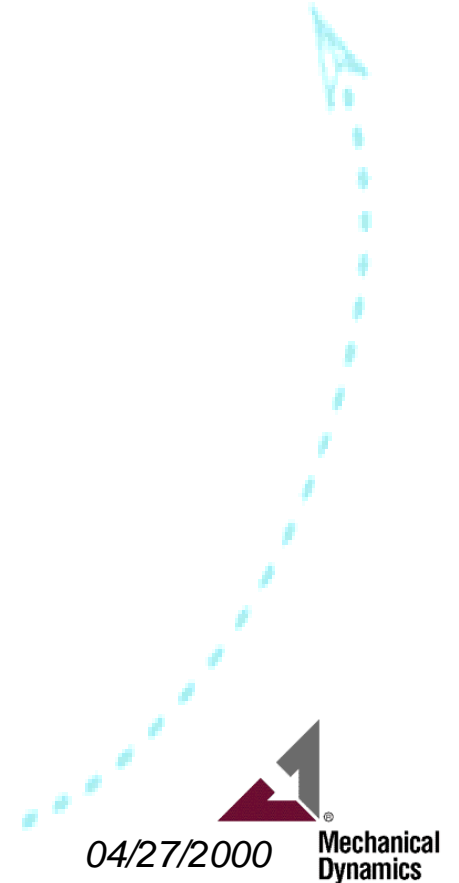
Note 2: Click the Apply button to see the result

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Number of balls	<input type="text" value="6"/>
Ball radius (mm)	<input type="text" value="9.0"/>
Pitch circle diameter (mm)	<input type="text" value="65.0"/>
Contact angle (degree)	<input type="text" value="40.0"/>
Contact arc length (mm)	<input type="text" value="2.0"/>
OR track length (mm)	<input type="text" value="35.0"/>
Allowable contact stress (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )	<input type="text" value="4000.0"/>

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IR outer spherical radius (mm)	27.98
Nominal total travel (mm)	67.0
Inter groove arc length (mm)	14.82
Allowable torque (N-mm)	2.0233E+006







## Conclusion

### ■ General CV-Joint Modeling

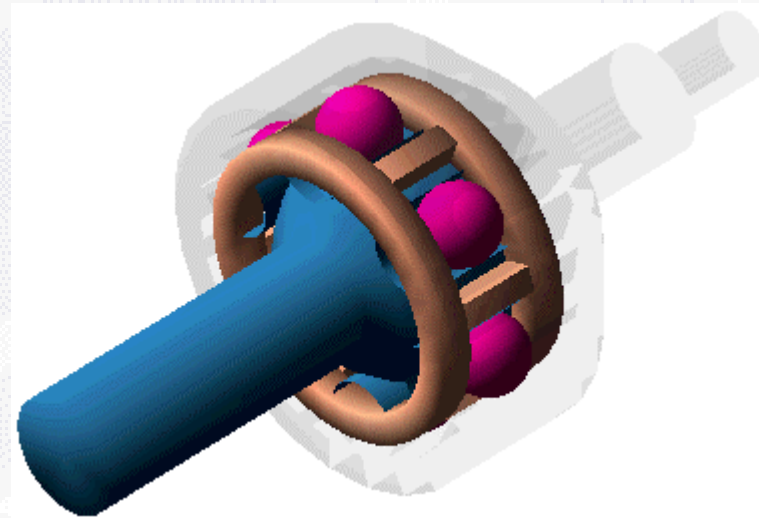
- ◆ **Fully Parametric** Model Facilitates DOE & Optimization Studies
- ◆ Executes Predefined **Dynamic Simulation** (Joint Angle & Plunge)
- ◆ Provides **Design Experiment** Capability

### ■ Convenient Pre- & Post-Processing

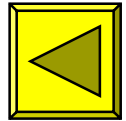
- ◆ **Teim-Orbit Neutral File** For Model Storage, Alteration & Retrieval
- ◆ **Results Manager** Enables Output File Storage & Removal
- ◆ **Tabular Output File** for Summary of Model Spec & Results
- ◆ **Plots** Are Available in Both Time-domain & Joint-Angle-Domain
- ◆ Provide **Detailed Information** Including **Hertzian Contact Stress**

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## Appendix A: Example Files for DOJ Model



double offset joint



## (Example of Macro Code)

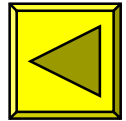
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!*****
! Description: This macro creates and defines the inner race
!             of double offset joint
! Modified: John Park (8/10/99)
!*****
!END_OF_PARAMETERS
!
!-----IR geometry array-----!
!
var set var=.cv.pcri real=(.cv.cv_pcdi/2)
var set var=.cv.cv_rxi real=( (.cv.cv_rti-.cv.cv_grb)*cos(.cv.cv_gammai) )
var set var=.cv.cv_rzi real=( (.cv.cv_rti-.cv.cv_grb)*sin(.cv.cv_gammai) )

var set var=.cv.track_max_angle_ir real=75
var set var=.cv.track_zero_angle_ir real=(1+asin(.cv.cv_rzi/.cv.cv_rti))
var set var=.cv.d_ang_ir real=((.cv.track_max_angle_ir-.cv.track_zero_angle_ir)/7.0)

data_element create matrix full matrix_name= .cv.groov_ir row=16 col=3 input_order = by_row units=length &
values=(.cv.cv_rxi+.cv.cv_rti*cos(180-.cv.track_max_angle_ir)),(-cv_rzi+.cv.cv_rti*sin(180-.cv.track_max_angle_ir)),0, &
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```



## (Example of Fortran Code)

```
-----
      SUBROUTINE GFOSUB (ID,TIME,PAR,NPAR,DFLAG,IFLAG,RESULT)

      IMPLICIT          NONE
      INTEGER           GFONUM, ISTAT
      INTEGER           ID, NPAR
      LOGICAL           DFLAG, IFLAG, ERRFLG
      DOUBLE PRECISION  RESULT(6), TIME, PAR(*),X
      INTEGER           NNN,I

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c   Author:           John Park  7/29/99
c   Description:      This subroutine calculates the contact force
c                   between a ball and the cage in the double offset
c                   joint.
-----
c   Define local variables:

      NNN=NINT(PAR(1))

-----
c   Branching out:

c-----Outer race force-----

      IF(NNN.EQ.1000)then
          CALL ORACE (ID,TIME,PAR,NPAR,DFLAG,IFLAG,RESULT)

c-----Inner race force-----

      ELSEIF(NNN.EQ.2000) then
          CALL IRACE (ID,TIME,PAR,NPAR,DFLAG,IFLAG,RESULT)

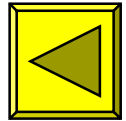
c-----Cage force-----

      ELSEIF(NNN.EQ.3000) then
          CALL CAGE (ID,TIME,PAR,NPAR,DFLAG,IFLAG,RESULT)
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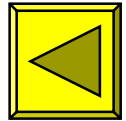
## (Example of Teim Orbit Input File)



```
$-----CONFIGURATION
[CONFIGURATION]
JOINT_TYPE = 'double_offset_free'
CAGE_AXIAL_OFFSET = '5.0'
OUTER_RACE_TRACK = 'gothic_arch'
INNER_RACE_TRACK = 'gothic_arch'
BALL_NUMBER = 6
GAGE_BALL_DIAMETER = 18.0
TRACK_LENGTH = 30.0
$-----OUTER_RACE
[OUTER_RACE]
MASS_AND_INERTIA_DEFINED_BY = 'Geometry'
YOUNGS_MODULUS = 200000.0
POISSONS_RATIO = 0.3
PITCH_DIAMETER = 60.0
BORE_DIAMETER = 75.0
TRACK_RADIUS = 10.0
CONTACT_ANGLE = 45.0
COEFFICIENT_OF_FRICTION = 0.008
$-----INNER_RACE
[INNER_RACE]
MASS_AND_INERTIA_DEFINED_BY = 'Geometry'
YOUNGS_MODULUS = 200000.0
POISSONS_RATIO = 0.3
PITCH_DIAMETER = 60.0
SPHERICAL_DIAMETER = 54.0
WIDTH = 40.0
TRACK_RADIUS = 10.0
CONTACT_ANGLE = 45.0
COEFFICIENT_OF_FRICTION = 0.008
$-----BALL
[BALL]
```



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## (Example of Tabular Output File)

```
CV-Joint virtual Prototype
-----
[Test_Setup]
Analysis =                'dynamic_1'
Analysis_Type =           'dynamic'
Applied_Torque =          5.0E+05
Joint_Angle =             10.0
Rpm =                      300.0
-----

Configuration
-----
Joint-Type:                double_offset_free
Cage Axial Offset:         5.0
OR Tracktype:              gothic_arch
IR Tracktype:              gothic_arch
Number of Balls:           6
Ball Diameter:             18.0
Track Length:              30.0

                               omitted

Static Force
-----
Max force of ball on outer track:  6069.
Max force of ball on inner track:   6477.
Max force of ball on cage window:    0.

Stresses
-----
Max cage web tensile stress [MPa]:    4.26
Hertzian compressive stress (IR) [MPa] : 7869.68
Deformation of Hertzian stress (IR) [mm]: 0.08042995
Max Subsurface Shear Stress (IR) [MPa] : 2526.50
Depth of max subsurface stress (IR) [mm]: 0.34000100
Distance of contact point to IR track edge: 0.00
Ellipse semiaxis:    0.8955
Ellipse semiaxis:    0.5834
Effective contact ellipse area IR:  1.6412
% Contact ellipse area lost:         0.0
Radius in contact-crossection of IR-track R2P:  10.0000
KD in Hertz theory:    4.6552
COS(tau) in Hertz theory:    0.3103
```

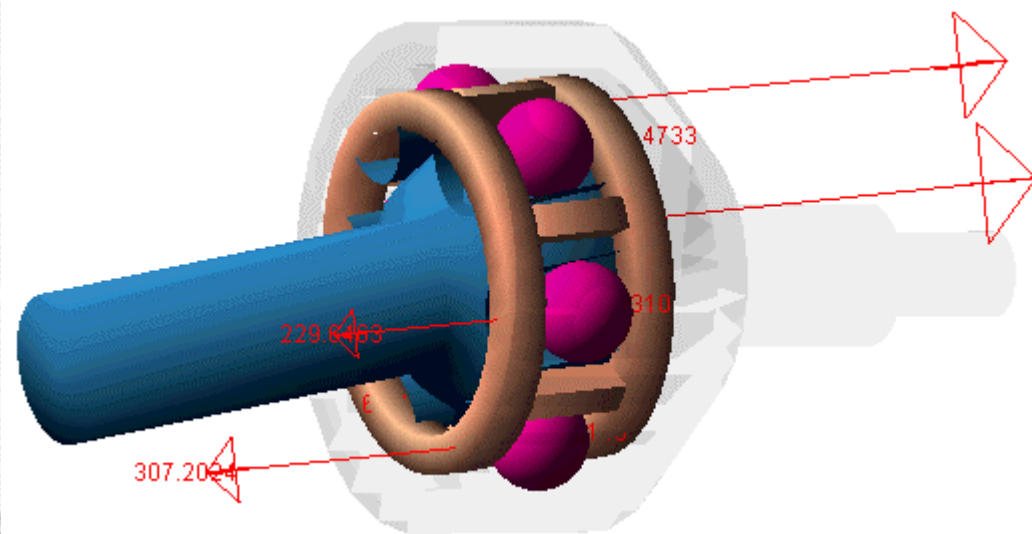
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## Appendix B: Guidelines for Any CVJ Consulting Projects

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## *Other Available ADAMS CV Joint Models*

### ■ Available Baseline Models are :

- ◆ Rzeppa CV Joint Model
- ◆ Undercut Free CV Joint Model
- ◆ Cross Groove CV Joint Model
- ◆ Double Offset CV Joint Model
- ◆ Tripod CV Joint Model

### ■ Possible Future Additions are:

- ◆ Universal Joint (Cardan Joint) Model
- ◆ Double Cardan Joint Model
- ◆ Sliding Spline Joint Model
- ◆ Ball Spline Joint Model





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## *Future Enhancements to ADAMS CV- & U-Joint Models*

- MDI Can Add Any Joint Types:
  - ◆ Universal Joint (Cardan Joint)
  - ◆ Double Cardan Joint
  - ◆ Others (per User specification)
- Integrated CV-Joint With Full-Vehicle ADAMS Models
  - ◆ Inclusion with High-Fidelity Driveline Models To Predict CV-Joint Component Behavior Under Conditions Such As (Typical Ride, Handling, Durability Events)
  - ◆ ADAMS, ADAMS/Car, ADAMS/Pre, or ADAMS/Driveline



## *System Requirements for ADAMS CV Joint Models*

### ■ Software

- ◆ Bare Minimum: ADAMS/View + ADAMS/Solver
- ◆ Other Helpful Modules: ADAMS/Exchange, ADAMS/Linear
- ◆ Possible Future Needs: ADAMS/Car, ADAMS/Driveline

### ■ Hardware

- ◆ UNIX or Windows NT workstation with recent OS
- ◆ Typical RAM and disk drive capacity required less than that of FEA workstations
- ◆ FORTRAN compiler (optional)



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## *Typical Implementation Plan*

### ■ Purpose

- ◆ Fully Implement **Virtual Prototyping** In CV-Joint Engineering Process

### ■ Key Components

- ◆ **Install** CV-Joint Models At User sites
- ◆ Provide Customized **Training** At User Facilities to develop both standard users and expert users
- ◆ **Maintenance** & Regular **Enhancement** Program



## *Typical Training Plan*

### ■ Goal:

- ◆ Promote Effective Use Of The CV-Joint Package on Both **User & Expert** Level.
- ◆ The **User** will be able to **run the models**.
- ◆ The **Expert** will be able to effectively **modify any or all of the CV-Joint model and associated code**.

### ■ Key Components:

- ◆ **Basic ADAMS Training** Course at User Facilities or MDI facilities in Michigan
- ◆ **CV-Joint Specific Training** Course at User Facilities
- ◆ **Advanced ADAMS Training** Courses at User Facilities or MDI facilities in Michigan



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## *Typical Maintenance & Regular Enhancement Program*

- A one year program to support and enhance the CV-Joint models as implemented at User Site.
- Required to accompany Mechanical Dynamics non-commercial software
- Assures User:
  - ◆ Upgrades For Compatibility With Future Versions of ADAMS
  - ◆ Available consultants at Mechanical Dynamics in Michigan to provide rapid response to questions and issues.