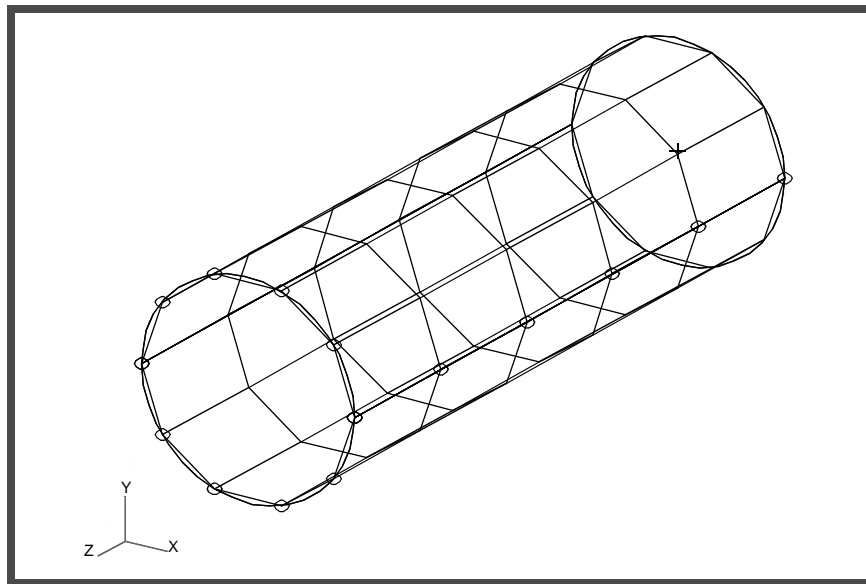


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## APPENDIX F

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# *Modal Analysis of Interpolation Constraint Elements and Concentrated Mass (SI)*



### **Objectives:**

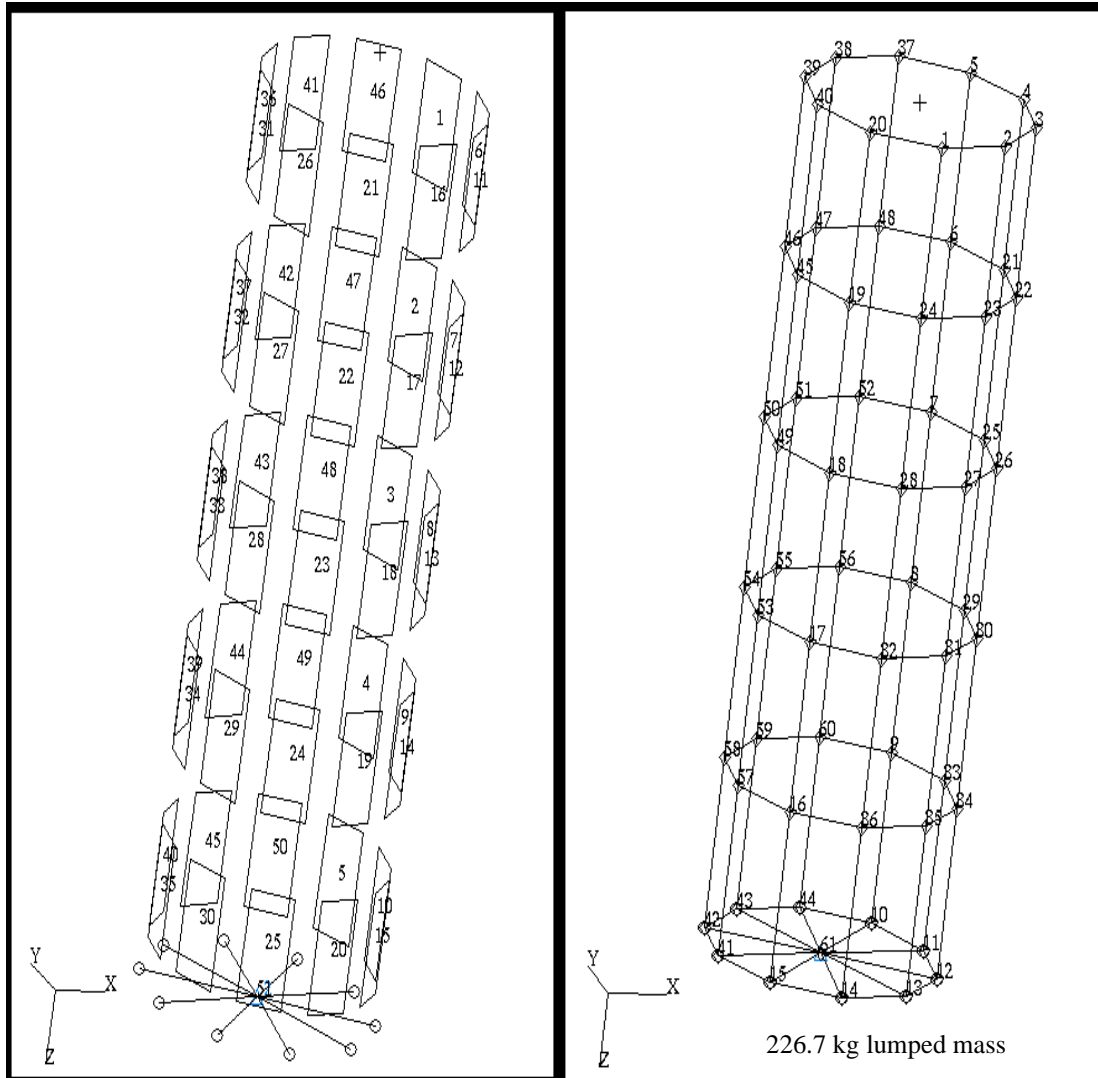
- Utilize the analysis model created in a previous exercise.
- Run an MSC.Nastran modal analysis with interpolation constraint elements.
- Visualize analysis results.
- Modify the existing model. Replace interpolation constraint elements with rigid elements.
- Run an MSC.Nastran modal analysis again.
- Visualize analysis results.



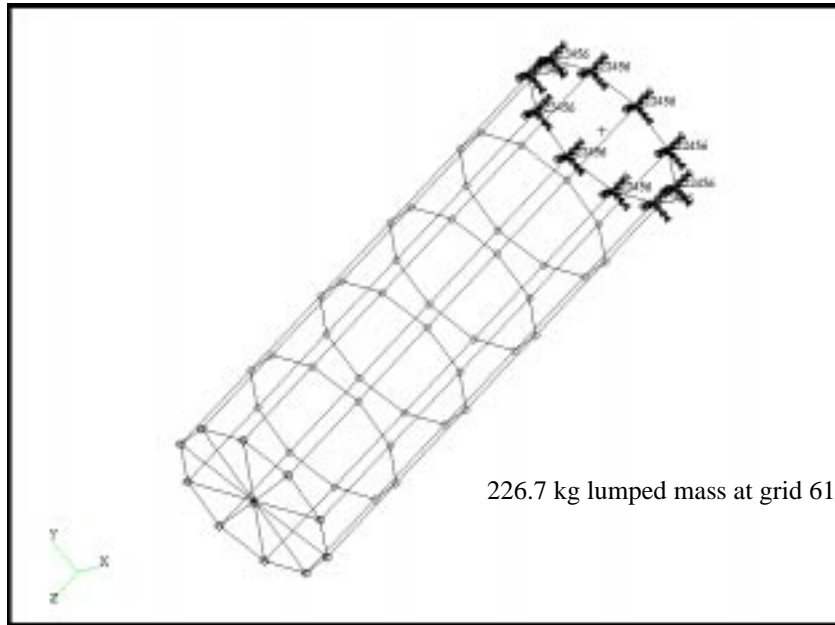
**Model Description:**

The goal of this example is to examine the effect of rigid and interpolation constraint elements. The rigid element, RBE2, will maintain a circular cross section at the rigid end of the tube, while the interpolation constraint elements, RBE3, are used to distribute either loading or mass.

**Figure F.1 - Grid Coordinates and Element Connectivities.**



**Figure F.2 - Loads and Boundary Conditions.**



**Table F.1 - Model Properties**

<b>Radius:</b>	<b>381 mm</b>
<b>Thickness:</b>	<b>3.175 mm</b>
<b>Length:</b>	<b>2,286 mm</b>
<b>Elastic Modulus:</b>	<b>69 GPa</b>
<b>Poisson Ratio:</b>	<b>0.3</b>
<b>Density:</b>	<b>2796 kg/m<sup>3</sup></b>

**Suggested Exercise Steps:**

- Generate a finite element representation of the cylinder structure (i.e., The nodes (GRID) and element connectivities (CQUAD4)).
- Define material (MAT1) and element (PSHELL) properties.
- Create grid point 61 at the center of the top enclosure. This point is to serve as the load application point, as well as the connection point for the interpolation constraint element.
- Idealize the top enclosure with interpolation constraint elements (RBE3).
- Apply the fixed boundary constraints (SPC1).
- Apply a concentrated mass at the center of the top enclosure, grid 61 (CONM2).
- Prepare the model for normal modal analysis (SOL 103).
- Generate an input file and submit it to the MSC.Nastran solver for normal modal analysis.
- Review the results.

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# Generating an Input File for MSC.Nastran Users:

MSC.Nastran users can generate an input file using the data from Table F.1. The result should be similar to the output below.

## 1. MSC.Nastran input file: **ex05interp.dat**

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ID MODAL AN,CATIAFEM
SOL 103
CEND
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$.          CASE CONTROL DECK
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TITLE = MODAL ANALYSIS OF INTERPOLATION CONSTRAINT ELEMENT
METHOD = 1
MPC = 1
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SUBCASE = 1
$ CATIA RESTRAINT SET NAME :
$ FIX TO WALL
  SPC = 1
$ CATIA LOAD SET NAME :
$ 2.7G VERTICAL LOAD
  LOAD = 1
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$.          BULK DATA CARDS
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BEGIN BULK
EIGRL,1,,10
PARAM POST 0
PARAM AUTOSPC YES
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$.          RESTRAINTS
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$ NASTRAN ID = 1 / RESTRAINT SET NAME :
$ FIX TO WALL
SPC1 1 123456 1 2 3 4 5 20 1
+ 137 38 39 40
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$.          LOADS
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$ NASTRAN ID = 1 / LOAD SET NAME :
$ 2.7G VERTICAL LOAD
GRAV 1 9810. 0. 0. 2.7
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$-----
$.
$.          MATERIALS
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$ MATERIAL NAME : ALUM
MAT1 1 69000.01 .03 .2796-8
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NODES
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GRID 1 -59.6016-376.309.365-14
GRID 2 172.9703-339.473-.106-13
GRID 3 339.4734-172.97 -.208-13
GRID 4 376.309459.60159-.23-13
GRID 5 269.4077269.4077-.165-13
GRID 6 269.4077269.4077457.2
GRID 7 269.4077269.4077914.4
GRID 8 269.4077269.40771371.6
GRID 9 269.4077269.40771828.8
GRID 10 269.4077269.40772286.
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ELEMENTS

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CQUAD4	2	1	6	7	25	21
CQUAD4	3	1	7	8	29	25
CQUAD4	4	1	8	9	33	29
CQUAD4	5	1	9	10	11	33
CQUAD4	6	1	4	21	22	3
CQUAD4	7	1	21	25	26	22
CQUAD4	8	1	25	29	30	26
CQUAD4	9	1	29	33	34	30
CQUAD4	10	1	33	11	12	34
CQUAD4	11	1	3	22	23	2
CQUAD4	12	1	22	26	27	23
CQUAD4	13	1	26	30	31	27
CQUAD4	14	1	30	34	35	31
CQUAD4	15	1	34	12	13	35
CQUAD4	16	1	2	23	24	1
CQUAD4	17	1	23	27	28	24
CQUAD4	18	1	27	31	32	28
CQUAD4	19	1	31	35	36	32
CQUAD4	20	1	35	13	14	36
CQUAD4	21	1	1	24	19	20
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CQUAD4	28	1	18	17	53	49
CQUAD4	29	1	17	16	57	53
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CQUAD4	31	1	40	45	46	39
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CQUAD4	34	1	53	57	58	54
CQUAD4	35	1	57	41	42	58
CQUAD4	36	1	39	46	47	38
CQUAD4	37	1	46	50	51	47
CQUAD4	38	1	50	54	55	51
CQUAD4	39	1	54	58	59	55
CQUAD4	40	1	58	42	43	59

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CQUAD4 41      1      38      47      48      37
CQUAD4 42      1      47      51      52      48
CQUAD4 43      1      51      55      56      52
CQUAD4 44      1      55      59      60      56
CQUAD4 45      1      59      43      44      60
CQUAD4 46      1      37      48      6      5
CQUAD4 47      1      48      52      7      6
CQUAD4 48      1      52      56      8      7
CQUAD4 49      1      56      60      9      8
CQUAD4 50      1      60      44      10     9
CONM2  51      61          .2267
RBE3   52          61      123      1.      123      10      1.      2
+      2123      11      1.      123      12      1.      123      13      3
+      31.      123      14      1.      123      15      1.      123      4
+      441      1.      123      42      1.      123      43      1.      5
+      5123      44
+      6UM
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PSHELL 1      1      3.175  1      1.      1      .83333
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ENDDATA

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## Submitting the Input File for Analysis:

2. When the run is completed, edit the **ex05interp.f06** file and search for the word **FATAL**. If no matches exist, search for the word **WARNING**. Determine whether existing **WARNING** messages indicate modeling errors.
3. While still editing **ex05interp.f06**, search for the word:

**E I G E N** (spaces are necessary)

What are the first five modes?

Mode 1 = \_\_\_\_\_ Hz

Mode 2 = \_\_\_\_\_ Hz

Mode 3 = \_\_\_\_\_ Hz

Mode 4 = \_\_\_\_\_ Hz

Mode 5 = \_\_\_\_\_ Hz

## Comparison of Results:

4. Compare the results obtained in the **.f06** file with the results on the following page:

MODE NO.	EXTRACTION ORDER	EIGENVALUE	R E A L E I G E N V A L U E S			GENERALIZED MASS	GENERALIZED STIFFNESS
			RADIANS	CYCLES	GENERALIZED MASS		
1	1	3.103987E+04	1.761814E+02	2.804013E+01	1.000000E+00	3.103987E+04	
2	2	3.103987E+04	1.761814E+02	2.804013E+01	1.000000E+00	3.103987E+04	
3	3	8.292659E+04	2.879698E+02	4.583181E+01	1.000000E+00	8.292659E+04	
4	4	8.292659E+04	2.879698E+02	4.583181E+01	1.000000E+00	8.292659E+04	
5	5	8.778574E+04	2.962866E+02	4.715548E+01	1.000000E+00	8.778574E+04	
6	6	8.778574E+04	2.962866E+02	4.715548E+01	1.000000E+00	8.778574E+04	
7	7	2.342735E+05	4.840181E+02	7.703387E+01	1.000000E+00	2.342735E+05	
8	8	2.342735E+05	4.840181E+02	7.703387E+01	1.000000E+00	2.342735E+05	
9	9	3.580046E+05	5.983348E+02	9.522794E+01	1.000000E+00	3.580046E+05	
10	10	5.473325E+05	7.398192E+02	1.177459E+02	1.000000E+00	5.473325E+05	