SimXpert
No Compromise Multidisciplinary Enterprise Simulation Solution for the CAE Analyst

Overview
SimXpert is the next generation Computer Aided Engineering environment for product simulation. It brings together game changing end-to-end multidiscipline simulation capabilities and best practice methodology capture and deployment technologies in a single unified environment. This approach closes the collaboration gap that exists between analysts and designers, enabling them to leverage common data models and share critical information across disciplines without duplicating work and allows them to deploy their best practices to the extended enterprise. This radical change to the traditional analysis process enables manufacturers to accelerate the speed and accuracy of simulation, increase design productivity, and bring better products to market faster.

Integrated Suite of Multi-disciplinary Simulation Workspaces
As a key enabler of Enterprise Simulation, SimXpert provides the best platform for expert analysts to complete all stages of the simulation process – from pre-processing and modeling, solving, to post-processing, results manipulation and reporting – within one integrated workspace environment. These workspaces allow the analyst to easily move from one area of expertise to another while sharing data models and results.

Structures Workspace – Perform linear and advanced non-linear, static and dynamic structural analyses based on the very best solutions available in MD Nastran

Thermal Workspace – Evaluate and analyze the thermal performance of designs by using the linear and non-linear, steady state and transient analysis capabilities of MD Nastran.

Motion Workspace – Predict loads and analyze system motion based on MSC’s leading MD Adams capabilities. Bring in flexible bodies, and pass through nodal loads seamlessly.

Explicit Workspace – Use MD Nastran to perform large deformation, highly nonlinear, short duration transient dynamic analyses for both structural impact and coupled fluid-structure interaction problems.

Crash Workspace – A complete pre- and post- processing environment for vehicle crash and impact analysis based on LS-DYNA™, the most widely used crash solver in the market.

Advanced Solution Extensions – SimXpert is an open platform enabling easy integration with third party tools as well as the creation of customized workspaces.

Capabilities
• Perform state of the art multidisciplinary CAE analysis based on the industry’s best solution capabilities with MD Nastran™, MD Adams™ and LS-DYNA™
• Increase the pace of analysis with advanced workspaces that integrate Pre-, Post- and Solver processing
• Capture and deploy best practice CAE methods by integrating with MSC’s SimEnterprise Suite™, SimManager™ and SimDesigner™
• Improve modeling speed and accuracy with bi-directional native CAD access
• Smoothly exchange key data between disciplines using the integrated multidiscipline workspaces

Benefits
• Increase productivity by handling all requirements of the analysis process within one intuitive environment
• Shorten design cycles by enabling maximum collaboration across the extended enterprise
• Maximize business efficiencies by capturing CAE best practices and deploying throughout the enterprise using SimManager
• Improve accuracy and product quality by unifying the multi discipline simulation process into a single, integrated environment, leveraging the common data model across simulation disciplines
• Drive innovation by delivering simulation process improvements throughout the enterprise, releasing experts to focus on design improvements
Enabling Capabilities

- Intuitive object based user interface with contextual actions
- View, manipulate, and organize your model with advanced browser functionality
- Native bi-directional CAD access for CATIA, Pro/ENGINEER, and NX
- Import IGES, Parasolid, CATIA V4, CATIA V5, Pro/ENGINEER, ACIS, STEP and STL data for FE modeling
- Interactive CAD cleaning and healing with auto curve, shell, and solid meshing
- Define simulation properties using engineering terms for use across all workspaces
- Contact creation and setup through easy to use and intuitive contact tables
- Visualize and manipulate all CAE entities
- User configurable toolsets and menus to streamline the modeling process

Multi-Discipline Examples

- Coupled Structures and Motion analysis to perform flexible body analyses
- Coupled Thermal and Structures analysis to seamlessly apply thermal loading to structural analysis
- Coupled linear and non-linear structural analysis to get high accuracy and fast solutions

Features

- Surface Meshing algorithms: paver, mapped, minimal, quad-dominant
- Mesh seeding: uniform/bias
- Assembly meshing
- Virtual geometry / topological simplification
- Composite modeling and verification
- Connections: Adhesive, bolt, seam weld
- Check and correct contact penetrations
- Import and export of solver input files
- Create control cards and parameters

Post-processing

- View model, state plots and x-y charts and graphs simultaneously using multiple windows
- Animate displacements, stresses, strains and vectors
- Supports time and frequency domain data
- Multi-file attachment
- Report generation

Process Capture and Automation

- Capture and record specific processing tasks as action macros
- Directly integrate macros to create highly complex SimTemplate™ CAE processes
- Build complex SimTemplate CAE processes based on SimXpert macros and SimXpert scripting to standardize and automate complete end-to-end analyses.
- Perform batch processing of SimTemplates

MSC SimEnterprise Integration

- "Out of the box" integration with MSC SimManager and SimDesigner delivers a true Enterprise Simulation solution
- Manage and control simulation processes, templates, analysis data and results
- Deploy best practices throughout the extended enterprise
- Supported by MSC Enterprise Advantage Licensing Program

System Requirements

SimXpert is supported on Intel and AMD x86 and x86-64 based systems running Microsoft Windows XP Professional (including SP2), Microsoft Vista Ultimate and Enterprise Editions, and Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4 (including Update 3 and Update 4).