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# **\*AIRBAG**

Purpose: Define an airbag or control volume. The keyword \*AIRBAG provides a way of defining thermodynamic behavior of the gas flow into the airbag as well as a reference configuration for the fully inflated bag. The keyword cards in this section are defined in alphabetical order:

**\*AIRBAG\_OPTION1\_{OPTION2}\_{OPTION3}\_{OPTION4}**

**\*AIRBAG\_OPTION1\_{OPTION2}\_{OPTION3}\_{OPTION4}**

*OPTION1* specifies one of the following thermodynamic relationships:

There were three changed keyword cards in this section:

**WANG\_NEFSKE**  
**HYBRID\_JETTING**  
**HYBRID\_CHEMKIN**  
**ALE**

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## \*AIRBAG\_WANG\_NEFSKE

Additional 4 cards are required for all WANG\_NEFSKE models

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	CV	CP	T	LCT	LCMT	TVOL	LCDT	IABT
Type	F	F	F	I	I	F	I	F
Default	none	none	0.	0	none	0.	0.	not used

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	C23	LCC23	A23	LCA23	CP23	LCCP23	AP23	LCAP23
Type	F	I	F	I	F	I	F	I
Default	none	0	none	0	none	0	0.0	0

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	PE	RO	GC	LCEFR	POVER	PPOP	OPT	KNKDN
Type	F	F	F	I	F	F	F	I
Default	none	none	none	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0

**If the inflator is modeled, LCMT=0, define, the following card. If not, define but leave blank.**

Card 4            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	IOC	IOA	IVOL	IRO	IT	LCBF		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	I		
Default	none	none	none	none	none	none		

**Define the following card if and only if CV=0. This option allows temperature dependent heat capacities to be defined. See below.**

Card 5            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	TEXT	A	B	MW	GASC			
Type	F	F	F	F	F			
Default	none	none	none	none	none			

**Define the following card if and only if the POP option is specified. Use this option to specify additional criteria for initiating exit flow from the airbag.**

Card 5            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	TDP	AXP	AYP	AZP	AMAGP	TDURP	TDA	RBIDP
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	I
Default	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	none

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
CV	Heat capacity at constant volume
CP	Heat capacity at constant pressure
T	Temperature of input gas. For temperature variations a load curve, LCT, may be defined.
LCT	Optional load curve number defining temperature of input gas versus time. This overrides columns T.
LCMT	Load curve specifying input mass flow rate or tank pressure versus time. If the tank volume, TVOL, is nonzero the curve ID is assumed to be tank pressure versus time. If LCMT=0, then the inflator has to be modeled, see Card 4. During the dynamic relaxation phase the airbag is ignored unless the curve is flagged to act during dynamic relaxation.
TVOL	Tank volume which is required only for the tank pressure versus time curve, LCMT.
LCDT	Load curve for time rate of change of temperature (dT/dt) versus time.
IABT	Initial airbag temperature. (Optional, generally not defined.)
C23	Vent orifice coefficient which applies to exit hole. Set to zero if LCC23 is defined below.
LCC23	The absolute value,  LCC23 , is a load curve ID. If the ID is positive, the load curve defines the vent orifice coefficient which applies to exit hole as a function of time. If the ID is negative, the vent orifice coefficient is defined as a function of relative pressure, $P_{air}/P_{bag}$ , see [Anagonye and Wang, 1999]. A nonzero value for C23 overrides LCC23.
A23	If defined as a positive number, A23 is the vent orifice area which applies to exit hole. If defined as a negative number, the absolute value  A23  is a part ID, see [Anagonye and Wang, 1999]. The area of this part becomes the vent orifice area. Set A23 to zero if LCA23 is defined below.
LCA23	Load curve number defining the vent orifice area which applies to exit hole as a function of <u>absolute</u> pressure. A nonzero value for A23 overrides LCA23.
CP23	Orifice coefficient for leakage (fabric porosity). Set to zero if LCCP23 is defined below.
LCCP23	Load curve number defining the orifice coefficient for leakage (fabric porosity) as a function of time. A nonzero value for CP23 overrides LCCP23.
AP23	Area for leakage (fabric porosity)
LCAP23	Load curve number defining the area for leakage (fabric porosity) as a function of (absolute) pressure. A nonzero value for AP23 overrides LCAP23.



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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
PE	Ambient pressure
RO	Ambient density
GC	Gravitational conversion constant (mandatory - no default). If consistent units are being used for all parameters in the airbag definition then unity should be input.
LCEFR	Optional curve for exit flow rate versus (gauge) pressure
POVER	Initial relative overpressure (gauge), $P_{over}$ in control volume
PPOP	Pop Pressure: relative pressure (gauge) for initiating exit flow, $P_{pop}$
OPT	Fabric venting option, if nonzero CP23, LCCP23, AP23, and LCAP23 are set to zero. EQ. 1: Wang-Nefske formulas for venting through an orifice are used. Blockage is not considered. EQ. 2: Wang-Nefske formulas for venting through an orifice are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered. EQ. 3: Leakage formulas of Graefe, Krummheuer, and Siejak [1990] are used. Blockage is not considered. EQ. 4: Leakage formulas of Graefe, Krummheuer, and Siejak [1990] are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered. EQ. 5: Leakage formulas based on flow through a porous media are used. Blockage is not considered. EQ. 6: Leakage formulas based on flow through a porous media are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered. EQ. 7: Leakage is based on gas volume outflow versus pressure load curve [Lian, 2000]. Blockage is not considered. EQ. 8: Leakage is based on gas volume outflow versus pressure load curve [Lian, 2000]. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered.
KNKDN	<u>Optional</u> load curve ID defining the knock down pressure scale factor versus time. This option only applies to jetting. The scale factor defined by this load curve scales the pressure applied to airbag segments which do not have a clear line-of-sight to the jet. Typically, at very early times this scale factor will be less than unity and equal to unity at later times. The full pressure is always applied to segments which can see the jets.
IOC	Inflator orifice coefficient
IOA	Inflator orifice area

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
IVOL	Inflator volume
IRO	Inflator density
IT	Inflator temperature
LCBF	Load curve defining burn fraction versus time
TEXT	Ambient temperature.
A	First heat capacity coefficient of inflator gas (e.g., Joules/mole/°K)
B	Second heat capacity coefficient of inflator gas, (e.g., Joules/mole/°K <sup>2</sup> )
MW	Molecular weight of inflator gas (e.g., Kg/mole).
GASC	Universal gas constant of inflator gas (e.g., 8.314 Joules/mole/°K)
TDP	Time delay before initiating exit flow after pop pressure is reached.
AXP	Pop acceleration magnitude in local x-direction. EQ. 0.0: Inactive.
AYP	Pop acceleration magnitude in local y-direction. EQ. 0.0: Inactive.
AZP	Pop acceleration magnitude in local z-direction. EQ. 0.0: Inactive.
AMAGP	Pop acceleration magnitude. EQ. 0.0: Inactive.
TDURP	Time duration pop acceleration must be exceeded to initiate exit flow. This is a cumulative time from the beginning of the calculation, i.e., it is not continuous.
TDA	Time delay before initiating exit flow after pop acceleration is exceeded for the prescribed time duration.
RBIDP	Part ID of the rigid body for checking accelerations against pop accelerations.

**Remarks:**

The gamma law equation of state for the adiabatic expansion of an ideal gas is used to determine the pressure after preload:

$$p = (\gamma - 1)\rho e$$

where  $p$  is the pressure,  $\rho$  is the density,  $e$  is the specific internal energy of the gas, and  $\gamma$  is the ratio of the specific heats:

$$\gamma = \frac{c_p}{c_v}$$

where  $c_v$  is the specific heat at constant volume, and  $c_p$  is the specific heat at constant pressure. A pressure relation is defined:

$$Q = \frac{p_e}{p}$$

where  $p_e$  is the external pressure and  $p$  is the internal pressure in the bag. A critical pressure relationship is defined as:

$$Q_{crit} = \left( \frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right)^{\gamma/\gamma - 1}$$

where  $\gamma$  is the ratio of specific heats:

$$\gamma = \frac{c_p}{c_v}$$

If

$$Q \leq Q_{crit} \quad \text{then} \quad Q = Q_{crit}$$

Wang and Nefske define the mass flow through the vents and leakage by

$$\dot{m}_{23} = C_{23} A_{23} \frac{p}{R\sqrt{T_2}} Q^{1/\gamma} \sqrt{2g_c \left( \frac{\gamma R}{\gamma - 1} \right) \left( 1 - Q^{\gamma-1/\gamma} \right)}$$

and

$$\dot{m}'_{23} = C'_{23} A'_{23} \frac{p}{R\sqrt{T_2}} Q^{1/\gamma} \sqrt{2g_c \left( \frac{\gamma R}{\gamma - 1} \right) \left( 1 - Q^{\gamma-1/\gamma} \right)}$$

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It must be noted that the gravitational conversion constant has to be given in consistent units. As an alternative to computing the mass flow out of the bag by the Wang-Nefske model, a curve for the exit flow rate depending on the internal pressure can be taken. Then, no definitions for C23, LCC23, A23, LCA23, CP23, LCCP23, AP23, and LCAP23 are necessary.

The airbag inflator assumes that the control volume of the inflator is constant and that the amount of propellant reacted can be defined by the user as a tabulated curve of fraction reacted versus time. A pressure relation is defined:

$$Q_{crit} = \frac{p_c}{p_i} = \left( \frac{2}{\gamma+1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}$$

where  $p_c$  is a critical pressure at which sonic flow occurs,  $p_i$  is the inflator pressure. The exhaust pressure is given by

$$\begin{aligned} p_e &= p_a \quad \text{if} \quad p_a \geq p_c \\ p_e &= p_c \quad \text{if} \quad p_a < p_c \end{aligned}$$

where  $p_a$  is the pressure in the control volume. The mass flow into the control volume is governed by the equation:

$$\dot{m}_{in} = C_o A_o \sqrt{2 p_i \rho_i} \sqrt{\frac{g_c \gamma \left( Q^{\frac{2}{\gamma}} - Q^{\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma}} \right)}{\gamma-1}}$$

where  $C_o$ ,  $A_o$ , and  $\rho_i$  are the inflator orifice coefficient, area, and gas density, respectively.

If OPT is defined, then for OPT set to 1 or 2 the mass flow rate out of the bag,  $\dot{m}_{out}$  is given by:

$$\dot{m}_{out} = \sqrt{g_c} \cdot \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{nairmats} (FLC(t)_n \cdot FAC(p)_n \cdot Area_n) \right] \cdot \sqrt{2 p \rho} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma \left( Q^{\frac{2}{\gamma}} - Q^{\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma}} \right)}{\gamma-1}}$$

where,  $\rho$  is the density of airbag gas, *nairmats* is the number of fabrics used in the airbag, and  $Area_n$  is the current unblocked area of fabric number n.

If OPT set to 3 or 4 then:

$$\dot{m}_{out} = \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{nairmats} (FLC(t)_n \cdot FAC(p)_n \cdot Area_n) \right] \cdot \sqrt{2(p - p_{ext}) \rho}$$

and for OPT set to 5 or 6:

$$\dot{m}_{out} = \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{nairmats} (FLC(t)_n \cdot FAC(p)_n \cdot Area_n) \right] \cdot (p - p_{ext})$$

and of OPT set to 7 or 8 then:  $\dot{m}_{out} = \sum_{n=1}^{nairmats} FLC(t)_n \cdot FAC(p)_n \cdot Area_n \cdot \rho_n$

where  $FAC(p)_n$  is the gas volume outflow through a unit area per unit time.

Multiple airbags may share the same part ID since the area summation is over the airbag segments whose corresponding part ID's are known. Currently, we assume that no more than ten materials are used per bag for purposes of the output. This constraint can be eliminated if necessary.

The total mass flow out will include the portion due to venting, i.e., constants C23 and A23 or their load curves above.

If CV=0. then the constant-pressure specific heat is given by:

$$c_p = \frac{(a + bT)}{MW}$$

and the constant-volume specific heat is then found from:

$$c_v = c_p - \frac{R}{MW}$$

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## \*AIRBAG\_HYBRID and \*AIRBAG\_HYBRID\_JETTING

Additional cards required for HYBRID and HYBRID\_JETTING options

1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	ATMOST	ATMOSP	ATMOSD	GC	CC			
Type	F	F	F	F	F			
Default	none	none	none	none	1.0			

1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	C23	LCC23	A23	LCA23	CP23	LCP23	AP23	LCAP23
Type	F	I	F	I	F	I	F	I
Default	none	0	none	0	none	0	none	0

1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	OPT	PVENT	NGAS					
Type	I	F	I					
Default	none	none	none					

Define 2\*NGAS cards below, two for each gas type.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	LCIDM	LCIDT		MW	INITM	A	B	C
Type	I	I	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	none	none	not used	none	none	none	none	none

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	FMASS							
Type	F							
Default	none							

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
ATMOST	Atmospheric temperature
ATMOSP	Atmospheric pressure
ATMOSD	Atmospheric density
GC	Universal molar gas constant
CC	Conversion constant EQ: .0 Set to 1.0.
C23	Vent orifice coefficient which applies to exit hole. Set to zero if LCC23 is defined below.
LCC23	The absolute value,  LCC23 , is a load curve ID. If the ID is positive, the load curve defines the vent orifice coefficient which applies to exit hole as a function of time. If the ID is negative, the vent orifice coefficient is defined as a function of relative pressure, $P_{air} / P_{bag}$ , see [Anagonye and Wang, 1999]. A nonzero value for C23 overrides LCC23.

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
A23	If defined as a positive number, A23 is the vent orifice area which applies to exit hole. If defined as a negative number, the absolute value  A23  is a part ID, see [Anagonye and Wang, 1999]. The area of this part becomes the vent orifice area. Set A23 to zero if LCA23 is defined below.
LCA23	Load curve number defining the vent orifice area which applies to exit hole as a function of <u>absolute</u> pressure. A nonzero value for A23 overrides LCA23.
CP23	Orifice coefficient for leakage (fabric porosity). Set to zero if LCCP23 is defined below.
LCCP23	Load curve number defining the orifice coefficient for leakage (fabric porosity) as a function of time. A nonzero value for CP23 overrides LCCP23.
AP23	Area for leakage (fabric porosity)
LCAP23	Load curve number defining the area for leakage (fabric porosity) as a function of (absolute) pressure. A nonzero value for AP23 overrides LCAP23.
OPT	Fabric venting option, if nonzero CP23, LCCP23, AP23, and LCAP23 are set to zero. EQ. 1: Wang-Nefske formulas for venting through an orifice are used. Blockage is not considered. EQ. 2: Wang-Nefske formulas for venting through an orifice are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered. EQ. 3: Leakage formulas of Graefe, Krummheuer, and Siejak [1990] are used. Blockage is not considered. EQ. 4: Leakage formulas of Graefe, Krummheuer, and Siejak [1990] are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered. EQ. 5: Leakage formulas based on flow through a porous media are used. Blockage is not considered. EQ. 6: Leakage formulas based on flow through a porous media are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered.
PVENT	Gauge pressure when venting begins
NGAS	Number of gas inputs to be defined below. (Including initial air)
LCIDM	Load curve ID for inflator mass flow rate (eq. 0 for gas in the bag at time 0) GT.0: piece wise linear interpolation LT.0: cubic spline interpolation
LCIDT	Load curve ID for inflator gas temperature (eq.0 for gas in the bag at time 0) GT.0: piece wise linear interpolation LT.0: cubic spline interpolation



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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
BLANK	(not used)
MW	Molecular weight
INITM	Initial mass fraction of gas component
A	Coefficient for molar heat capacity of inflator gas at constant pressure, (e.g., Joules/mole/°K)
B	Coefficient for molar heat capacity of inflator gas at constant pressure, (e.g., Joules/mole/°K <sup>2</sup> )
C	Coefficient for molar heat capacity of inflator gas at constant pressure, (e.g., Joules/mole/°K <sup>3</sup> )
FMASS	Fraction of additional aspirated mass.

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## \*AIRBAG\_ALE

Purpose: The input in this section provides a simplified approach to defining the deployment of the airbag using the ALE capabilities with an option to switch from the initial ALE method to control volume (CV) method (\*AIRBAG\_HYBRID) at a chosen time. An enclosed airbag (and possibly the airbag canister/compartments and/or a simple representation of the inflator) shell structure interacts with the inflator gas(es). This definition provides a single fluid to structure coupling for the airbag-gas interaction during deployment in which the CV input data may be used directly.

### Card Format

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	SID	SIDTYP					MWD	SPSF
Type	I	I					F	F
Default	none	none					0	0
Remarks	1							

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
SID	Set ID as defined on *AIRBAG card. This set ID contains the Lagrangian elements (segments) which make up the airbag and possibly the airbag canister/compartments and/or a simple representation of the inflator. See remark 1.
SIDTYP	Set type: EQ.0: Segment set. EQ.1: Part set.
MWD	Mass weighted damping factor, D. This is used during the CV phase for *AIRBAG_HYBRID.
SPSF	Stagnation pressure scale factor, $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$ . This is used during the CV phase for *AIRBAG_HYBRID.

**Parameters for defining ambient environment.**

Card 2

Variable	ATMOST	ATMOSP		GC	CC	TNKVOL	TNKFINP	
Type	F	F		F	F	F	F	
Default	0.	0.		none	1.0	0.0	0.0	
Remarks	2	2				10	10	

**VARIABLE**

**DESCRIPTION**

ATMOST	Atmospheric ambient temperature. See remark 2.
ATMOSP	Atmospheric ambient pressure. See remark 2.
GC	Universal molar gas constant.
CC	Conversion constant. If EQ: .0 Set to 1.0.
TNKVOL	Tank volume from the inflator tank test – or – Inflator canister volume. See remark 10.  Option 1: (LCVEL = 0) This is defined as Tank volume (must also define TNKFINP). Inlet gas velocity is estimated by LSDYNA method (testing).  Option 2: (LCVEL = 0) This is defined as estimated inflator canister volume (must NOT define TNKFINP). Inlet gas velocity is estimated automatically by the Lian-Bhalsod-Olovsson method.  Option 3: (LCVEL .NE. 0) This must be left blank.
TNKFINP	Tank final pressure from the inflator tank test data. Only define this parameter for option 1 of TNKVOL definition above. See remark 10.

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Parameters for coupling, see keyword \*CONSTRAINED\_LAGRANGE\_IN\_SOLID.

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	NQUAD	CTYPE	PFAC	FRIC	FRCMIN	NORMTYP	ILEAK	PLEAK
Type	I	I	F	F	F	I	I	F
Default	4	4	0.1	0.0	0.3	0	2	0.1
Remarks	13	13	14					

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
NQUAD	Number of (quadrature) coupling points for coupling Lagrangian slave parts to ALE master solid parts. If NQUAD=n, then nXn coupling points will be parametrically distributed over the surface of each Lagrangian slave segment (default=4). See remark 13.
CTYPE	Coupling type (default=4, see remark 13): EQ.4: (default) penalty coupling with DIREC=2 implied. EQ.6: penalty coupling in which DIREC is automatically set to DIREC=1 for the unfolded region and DIREC=2 for folded region.
PFAC	Penalty factor. PFAC is a scale factor for scaling the estimated stiffness of the interacting (coupling) system. It is used to compute the coupling forces to be distributed on the slave and master parts. If positive real:            Fraction of estimated critical stiffness default=0.1). If negative integer, -n: Refers to load curve ID n. The curve defines the relative coupling pressure (y-axis) as a function of the tolerable fluid penetration distance (x-axis).
FRIC	Coupling coefficient of friction.
FRCMIN	Minimum fluid volume fraction in an ALE element to activate coupling (default is 0.3).
NORMTYP	Penalty coupling spring direction (DIREC 1 and 2): EQ.0: normal vectors are interpolated from nodal normals (default) EQ.1: normal vectors are interpolated from segment normals.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
ILEAK	Leakage control flag. Default=2 (with energy compensation).
PLEAK	Leakage control penalty factor (default=0.1)

**Parameters for airbag venting hole**

Card 4            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	IVSETID	IVTYPE	IBLOCK	VNTCOF				
Type	I	I	I	F				
Default	0	0	0	0.0				
Remarks	4		5	6				

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
IVSETID	Set ID defining the venting hole surface(s). See remark 4.
IVTYPE	Set type of IVSETID: EQ:0: Part Set (default). EQ:1: Part ID. EQ:2: Segment Set.
IBLOCK	Flag for considering blockage effects for porosity and vents (remark 5): EQ:0: no (blockage is NOT considered, default). EQ:1: yes (blockage is considered).
VNTCOF	Vent Coefficient for scaling the flow. See remark 6.

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## Parameters for ALE mesh automatic definition and its transformation.

Card 5

Variable	NX/IDA	NY/IDG	NZ	MOVERN	ZOOM			
Type	I	I	I	I	I			
Default	None	None	None	0	0			
Remarks	7	7	7	8	9			

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
NX/IDAIR	<p>Option 1: NX is defined (as the number of ALE elements to be generated in the x direction). This must goes together with option 1 for NY and NZ.</p> <p>Option 2: IDAIR is defined as Part ID of the initial air mesh. See remark 7.</p>
NY/IDGAS	<p>Option 1: NY is defined (as the number of ALE elements to be generated in the y direction). This must goes together with option 1 for NX and NZ.</p> <p>Option 2: IDGAS is defined as Part ID of the initial gas mesh. See remark 7.</p>
NZ	<p>Option 1: NZ is defined (as the number of ALE elements to be generated in the z direction). This must goes together with option 1 for NX and NY.</p> <p>Option 2: Leave blank. See remark 7.</p>
MOVERN	<p>ALE mesh automatic motion option (remark 8):</p> <p>EQ.0: ALE mesh is fixed in space.</p> <p>GT.0: Node group id. See *ALE_REFERENCE_SYSTEM_NODE ALE mesh can be moved with PRTYP=5, mesh motion follows a coordinate system defined by 3 reference nodes.</p>
ZOOM	<p>ALE mesh automatic expansion option (remark 9):</p> <p>EQ.0: do not expand ALE mesh</p> <p>EQ.1: Expand/contract ALE mesh by keeping all airbag parts contained within the ALE mesh (equivalent to PRTYP=9).</p>

**Define card 5a and 5b if NZ > 0**

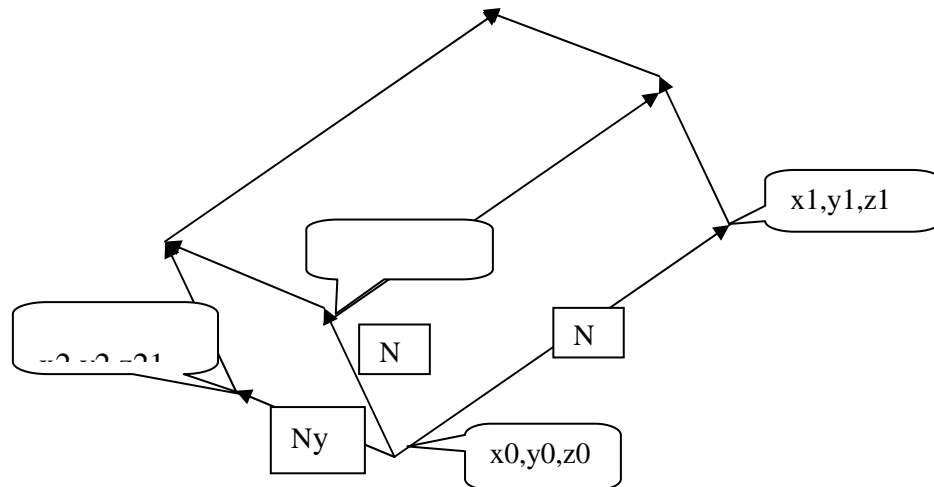
Card 5a            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	X0	Y0	Z0	X1	Y1	Z1		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		
Default	None	None	None	None	None	None		

Card 5b            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	X2	Y2	Z2	Z3	Y3	Z3		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		
Default	None	None	None	None	None	None		

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
X0, Y0, Z0	Coordinates of origin for ALE mesh generation (node0).
X1, Y1, Z1	Coordinates of point 1 for ALE mesh generation (node1). node0=>node1 = x
X2, Y2, Z2	Coordinates of point 2 for ALE mesh generation (node2). node0=>node2 = y
X3, Y3, Z3	Coordinates of point 3 for ALE mesh generation(node3). node0=>node3 = z



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Card 6

Variable	SWTIME		HG	NAIR	NGAS	NORIF	LCVEL	LCT
Type	F		F	I	I	I	I	I
Default	0.		0.	0	0	0	0	0
Remarks	3						10	11

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
SWTIME	Time to switch from ALE method to control volume (CV) method. Once switched, a method similar to that used by the *AIRBAG_HYBRID card is used. EQ.0.0: switch to CV method at time=0.0. EQ.blank: switch time is set at 1.0E16 (ALE method is used). EQ.t: switch from ALE to CV method at time=t.
HG	Hourglass control for ALE fluid mesh(es).
NAIR	Number of Air components. For example, this equals 2 in case air contains 80% of N2 and 20% of O2. If air is defined as 1 single gas then NAIR=1.
NGAS	Number of inflator Gas components.
NORIF	Number of point sources or orifices (defined below) EQ.n: will require n lines of card 9 definitions below, one for each point source..
LCVEL	Load curve ID for inlet velocity (see also TNKVOL & TNKFINP of card 2 above). This is the same estimated velocity curve used in *SECTION_POINT_SOURCE_MIXTURE card.
LCT	Load curve ID for inlet gas temperature (see *AIRBAG_HYBRID).



**Define NAIR cards below for air component**

Card 7            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable				MWAIR	INITM	AIRA	AIRB	AIRC
Type				F	F	F	F	F
Default				0	0	0	0.	0.
Remarks						12	12	12

**VARIABLE****DESCRIPTION**

MWAIR	Molecular weight of air component
INITA	Initial Mass Fraction of Air component(s)
AIRA	First Coefficient of molar heat capacity at constant pressure (e.g., J/mole/K, remark 12).
AIRB	Second Coefficient of molar heat capacity at constant pressure (e.g., J/mole/K <sup>2</sup> , remark 12).
AIRC	Third Coefficient of molar heat capacity at constant pressure (e.g., J/mole/K <sup>3</sup> , remark 12).

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## Define NGAS cards below for the GAS components

Cards 8...      1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	LCMF			MWGAS		GASA	GASB	GASC
Type	I			F		F	F	F
Default	none			0		0	0.	0.
Remarks	11					12	12	12

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
LCMF	Load curve ID for mass flow rate (see *AIRBAG_HYBRID, e.g., kg/s).
MWGAS	Molecular weight of inflator gas components.
GASA	First Coefficient of molar heat capacity at constant pressure (e.g., J/mole/K, remark 12).
GASB	Second Coefficient of molar heat capacity at constant pressure (e.g., J/mole/K <sup>2</sup> , remark 12).
GASC	Third Coefficient of molar heat capacity at constant pressure (e.g., J/mole/K <sup>3</sup> , remark 12).

**Define NORIF cards below for each point source**

Cards 9...      1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	NODEID	VECID	ORIFARE					
Type	I	I	I					
Default	0	0	0					

**VARIABLE**

**DESCRIPTION**

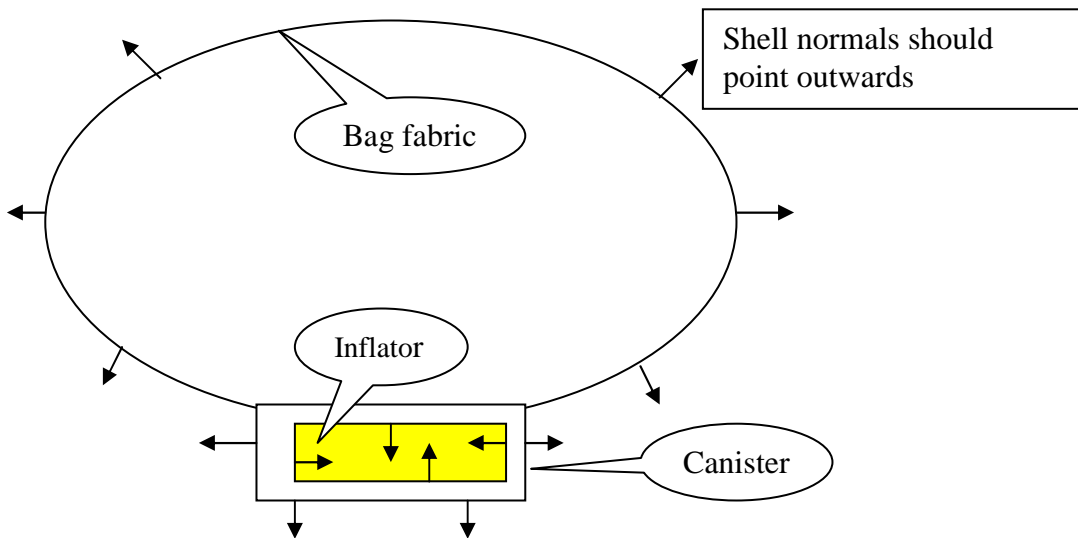
NODEID	The node ID defining the point source.
VECID	The vector ID defining the direction of flow at the point source.
ORIFARE	The orifice area at the point source.

**Remarks:**

1. This set ID typically contains the Lagrangian segments of the 3 parts that are coupled to the inflator gas: airbag, airbag canister (compartment), inflator. As in all control-volume, orientation of elements representing bag and canister should point outward. During the ALE phase the segment normal will be reversed automatically for fluid-structure coupling. *However, the orientation of inflator element normal vectors should point to its center, Fig. 2.*
2. Atmospheric density for the ambient gas (air) can be computed from  
$$\rho_{amb} = P_{amb} / (R * T_{amb})$$
3. Since ALL ALE related activities will be turned off after the switch from ALE method to control-volume method, no other ALE coupling will exist beyond t=SWTIME.
4. Vent definition will be used for ALE venting. Upon switching area of the segments will be used for venting as a23 in \*AIRBAG\_HYBRID.
5. Fabric porosity for ALE and \*AIRBAG\_HYBRID can be defined on MAT\_FABRIC. Define FLC and FAC on \*MAT\_FABRIC. FVOPT 7 and 8 will be used for both ALE and \*AIRBAG\_HYBRID. IBLOCK=0 will use FVOPT=7 and IBLOCK=1 will use FVOPT=8.
6. VCOF will be used to scale the vent area for ALE venting and this coefficient will be used as vent coefficient c23 for \*AIRBAG\_HYBRID upon switching.
7. If Nz, Ny and Nz are defined (option 1), card 5a and card 5b should be defined to let LS-DYNA generate the mesh for ALE. Alternatively if Nz is 0 (option 2), then Nx=IDAIR and Ny=IDGAS. In the later case the user need to supply the ALE mesh whose PID=IDAIR.

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8. If the airbag moves with the vehicle, set `MOVERN=GROUPID`, this `GROUPID` is defined using `*ALE_REFERENCE_SYSTEM_NODE`. The 3 nodes defined in `ALE_REFERENCE_SYSTEM_NODE` will be used to transform the ALE mesh. The point sources will also follow this motion. This simulates `PRTYP=5` in the `*ALE_REFERENCE_SYSTEM_GROUP` card.
9. Automatic expansion/contraction of the ALE mesh to follow the airbag expansion can be turned on by setting `zoom=1`. This feature is particularly useful for fully folded airbags requiring very fine ale mesh initially. As the airbag inflates the ale mesh will be automatically scaled such that the airbag will be contained within the ALE mesh. This simulates `PRTYP=9` in the `*ALE_REFERENCE_SYSTEM_GROUP` card.
10. There are 3 methods for defining the inlet gas velocity:  
**Option 1:** define `LCVEL = 0` → `TNKVOL = Tank volume`, and `TNKFINP = Tank final pressure from tank test data`. Inlet gas velocity is estimated by LSDYNA method (testing).  
**Option 2:** define `LCVEL = 0` → `TNKVOL = inflator can volume`, and `TNKFINP = blank`. Inlet gas velocity is estimated automatically by Lian-Bhalsod-Olovsson method.  
**Option 3:** define `LCVEL = n` → `TNKVOL = 0`, and `TNKFINP = 0`. Inlet gas velocity is defined by user via a load curve `ID = n`.
11. `LCT` and `LCIDM` should have the same number of sampling points.
12. The molar heat capacity as a function of temperature is computed from
$$C_p = [A + BT^2 + CT^3] / MW$$
$$A = C_{p0}$$
13. Sometimes `CTYPE=6` may be used for complex folded airbag. `NQUAD=2` may be used as a starting value and increase as necessary depending on the relative mesh resolutions of the Lagrangian and ALE meshes.
14. Use a load curve for `PFAC` whenever possible. It tends to be more robust.



**EXAMPLE 1:**

```

$...|...1...|...2...|...3...|...4...|...5...|...6...|...7...|...8
*AIRBAG ALE
$#1  SID  SIDTYPE  NONE  NONE  NONE  NONE  MWD  SPSF
     123    1         0      0      0      0      0.0  0.0
$#2  ATMOST  ATMOSP  NONE  GC    CC    TNKVOL  TNKFP
     298.15 1.0132E-4  0      8.314  0.0   0.0      0.0
$#3  NQUAD   CTYPE  PFAC  FRIC  FRCMIN  NORMTYPE  ILEAK  PLEAK
     4      4      -1000  0.0   0.3     0        2      0.1
$#4  VSETID  IVSETTYP  IBLOCK  VENTCOEF
     1      2         0      1.00
$#5NXIDAIR  NYIDGAS  NZ  MOVERN  ZOOM
     50000  50003      0      0      0
$#6  SWTIME  NONE  HG  NAIR  NGAS  NORIF  LCVEL  LCT
     1000.00  0.000  1.e-4  1     1     8     2002  2001
$#7  AIR      NONE  NONE  MWAIR  INITM  AIRA  AIRB  AIRC
     0        0      0      0.02897  1.00  29.100  0.00000  0.00000
$#8  GASLCM  NONE  NONE  MWGAS  NONE  GASA  GASB  GASC
     2003     0      0      0.0235  0     28.000  0.00000  0.00000
$#9  NODEID  VECTID  ORIFAREA
     100019   1  13.500000
     100020   2  13.500000
     100021   3  13.500000
     100022   4  13.500000
     100023   5  13.500000
     100024   6  13.500000
     100017   7  13.500000
     100018   8  13.500000
$ PFAC CURVE = penalty factor curve.
*DEFINE CURVE
$  lcid  sidr  sfa  sfo  offa  offo  dattyp
$  1000  0     0.0  2.0  0.0   0.0
$      al  o1
      0.0  0.00000000
      1.0000000  4.013000e-04
*SET_SEGMENT_TITLE
vent segments (defined in IVSETID)
      1  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
     1735  1736  661  1697  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
     1735  2337  1993  1736  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
     1735  1969  1988  2337  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
     1735  1697  656  1969  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
*DEFINE VECTOR
$#  vid  xt  yt  zt  xh  yh  zh
     1  0.0  0.0-16.250000  21.213200  21.213200-16.250000
     2  0.0  0.0-16.250000  30.000000-1.000e-06-16.250000
     3  0.0  0.0-16.250000  21.213200-21.213200-16.250000
     4  0.0  0.0-16.250000-1.000e-06-30.000000-16.250000
     5  0.0  0.0-16.250000-21.213200-21.213200-16.250000
     6  0.0  0.0-16.250000-30.0000001.000e-06-16.250000
     7  0.0  0.0-16.250000-21.213200  21.213200-16.250000
     8  0.0  0.0-16.2500001.000e-06  30.000000-16.250000
$...|...1...|...2...|...3...|...4...|...5...|...6...|...7...|...8

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In this example, pre-existing background air mesh with part ID 50000 and gas mesh with part ID 50003 are used. Thus NZ = 0. There is no mesh motion nor expansion allowed. A inlet gas velocity curve is provided.

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## EXAMPLE 2:

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$...|...1...|...2...|...3...|...4...|...5...|...6...|...7...|...8
$ SIDTYP: 0=SGSID; 1=PSID
*AIRBAG ALE
$#1  SID  SIDTYPE  NONE  NONE  NONE  NONE  MWD  SPSF
      1      1      0      0.  0.  0.  0.  0.
$#2  ATMOST  ATMOSP  NONE  GC  CC  TNKVOL  TNKFP
      298.  101325.  0.0  8.314  1.  6.0E-5  0
$#3  NQUAD  CTYPE  PFAC  FRIC  FRCMIN  NORMTYPE  ILEAK  PLEAK
      2      6      -321  0.0  0.3  1  2  0.1
$#4  VSETID  IVSETTYP  IBLOCK  VENTCOEF
      0      0      0  0
$#5NXIDAIR  NYIDGAS  NZ  MOVERN  ZOOM
      11      11      9
$5b  x0  y0  z0  x1  y1  z1  NOT-USED  NOT-USED
      -0.3  -0.3  -0.135  0.3  -0.3  -0.135
$5c  x2  y2  z2  x3  y3  z3  NOT-USED  NOT-USED
      -0.3  0.3  -0.135  -0.3  -0.3  0.39
$#6  SWTIME  NONE  HG  NAIR  NGAS  NORIF  LCVEL  LCT
      0.04000  0.005  1.e-4  2  1  1  0  2
$#7  AIR  NONE  NONE  MWAIR  INITM  AIRA  AIRB  AIRC
      0.028  0.80  27.296  0.00523
      0.032  0.20  25.723  0.01298
$#8  GASLCM  NONE  NONE  MWGAS  NONE  GASA  GASB  GASC
      1      0.0249  29.680  0.00880
$#9  NODEID  VECTID  ORIFAREA
      9272  1  1.00e-4
$ Lagrangian shell structure to be coupled to the inflator gas
*SET_PART_LIST
      1  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
      1  2  3
*DEFINE VECTOR
$0.100000E+01, 10.000000000
$ vid  xt  yt  zt  xh  yh  zh
      1  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.100000
$ bag penetration ~ 1 mm <====> P_coup ~ 500000 pascal ==> ~ 5 atm
*DEFINE_CURVE
$ lcid  sidr  sfa  sfo  offa  offo  dattyp
      321  0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
$ a1  o1
      0.0  0.0
      0.00100000  5.0000000e+05
$...|...1...|...2...|...3...|...4...|...5...|...6...|...7...|...8
```

In this example, LS-DYNA automatically creates the background ALE mesh with:

NX = 11 elements in the x direction.

NY = 11 elements in the y direction.

NZ = 9 elements in the z direction.

This ALE mesh is generated based on the 4 given reference nodes defined in cards 5b and 5c. Note that LCVEL=0 and TNKVOL=6.0E-5 (inflator volume is small relative to the airbag volume, may be estimated at ~ 1/200 of the airbag volume as a first approximation). Since TNKFINP = 0 → the velocity is computed based on the Lian-Bhalsod-Olovsson method automatically.

# **\*CONSTRAINED**

The keyword **\*CONSTRAINED** provides a way of constraining degrees of freedom to move together in some way. There is one changed keyword card in this section:

**\*CONSTRAINED\_BUTT\_WELD**

**\*CONSTRAINED\_BUTT\_WELD**

Purpose: Define a line of coincident nodes that represent a structural butt weld between two parts defined by shell elements. Failure is based on nodal plastic strain for ductile failure and stress resultants for brittle failure. This input is much simpler than the alternative approach for defining butt welds, see **\*CONSTRAINED\_GENERALIZED\_WELD\_BUTT**. The local coordinate system, the effective length, and thickness for each pair of butt welded nodes are determined automatically in the definition below. In the **GENERALIZED** option these quantities must be defined in the input.

**Card Format**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	SNSID	MNSID	EPPF	SIGF	BETA			
Type	I	I	F	F	F			
Default	none	none	0.	1.e+16	1.0			
Remarks		1, 2	3, 4	3	3			

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
SNSID	Slave node set ID, see <b>*SET_NODE_OPTION</b> .
MNSID	Master node set ID, see <b>*SET_NODE_OPTION</b> .
EPPF	Plastic strain at failure
SIGF	$\sigma_f$ , stress at failure for brittle failure.
BETA	$\beta$ , failure parameter for brittle failure.

**Remarks:**

- Nodes in the master and slave sets must be given in the order they appear as one moves along the edge of the surface. An equal number of coincident nodes must be defined in each set. In a line weld the first and last node in a string of nodes can be repeated in the two sets. If the first and last pair of nodal points are identical, a circular or closed loop butt weld is assumed. See Figure 6.1, where the line butt weld and closed loop weld are illustrated.



2. Butt welds may not cross. For complicated welds, this option can be combined with the input in **\*CONSTRAINED\_GENERALIZED\_WELD\_BUTT** to handle the case where crossing occurs. Nodes in a butt weld must not be members of rigid bodies.
3. If the average volume-weighted effective plastic strain in the shell elements adjacent to a node exceeds the specified plastic strain at failure, the node is released. Brittle failure of the butt welds occurs when:

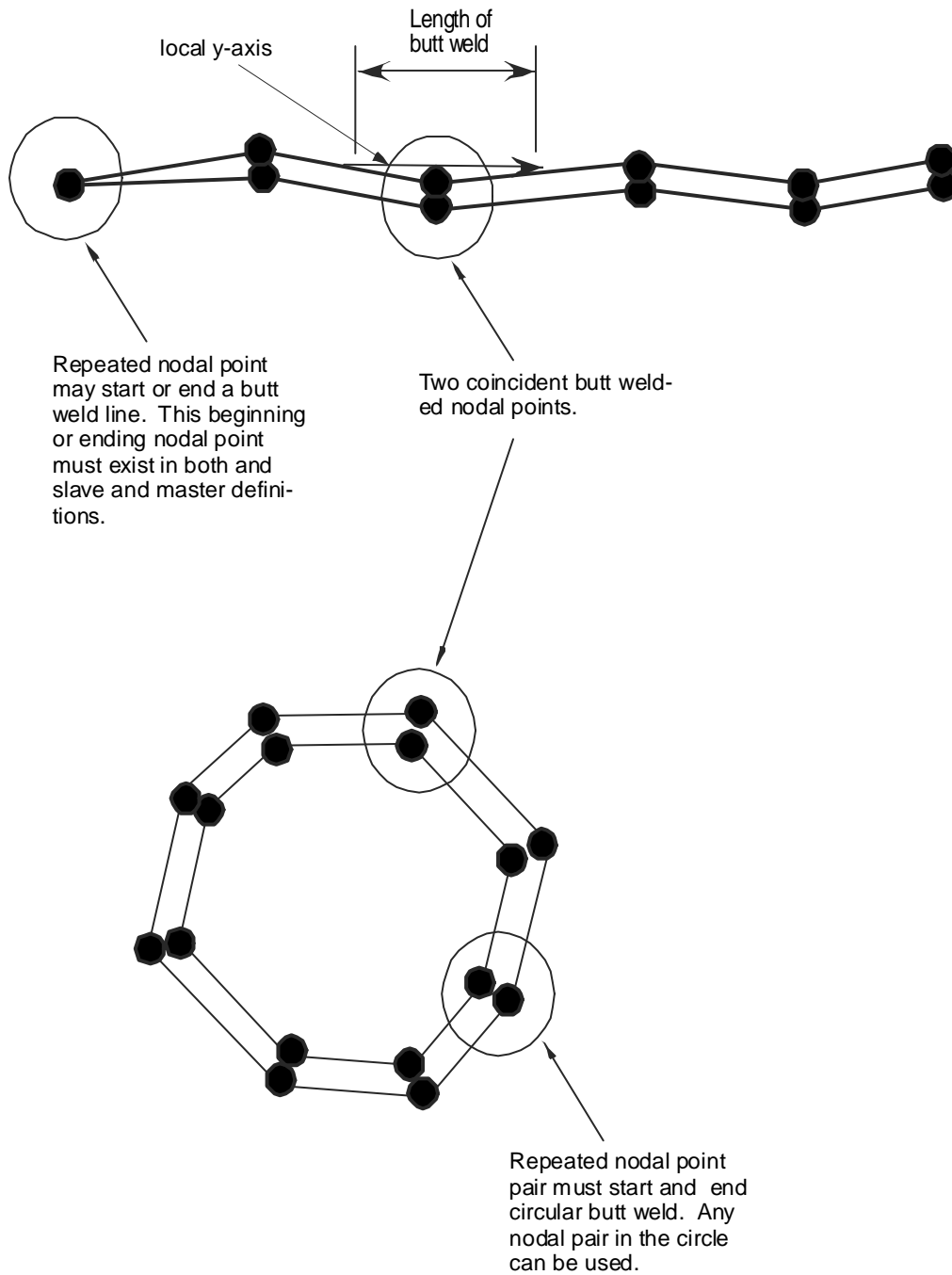
$$\beta \sqrt{\sigma_n^2 + 3(\tau_n^2 + \tau_t^2)} \geq \sigma_f$$

where

- $\sigma_n$  = normal stress (local x)
- $\tau_n$  = shear stress in direction of weld (local y)
- $\tau_t$  = shear stress normal to weld (local z)
- $\sigma_f$  = failure stress
- $\beta$  = failure parameter

Component  $\sigma_n$  is nonzero for tensile values only. The nodes defining the slave and master sides of the butt weld must coincide. The local z-axis at a master node is normal to the *master side* plane of the butt weld at the node, and the local y-axis is taken as the vector in the direction of a line connecting the mid-points of the line segments lying on either side of the master node. The normal vector is found by summing the unit normal vectors of all shell elements on the *master side* sharing the butt welded node. The direction of the normal vector at the node is chosen so that the x-local vector points towards the elements on the slave side in order to identify tensile versus compressive stresses. The thickness of the butt weld and length of the butt weld are needed to compute the stress values. The thickness is based on the average thickness of the shell elements that share the butt welded nodal pair, and the chosen length of the butt weld is shown in Figure 6.1.

4. Butt welds may be used to simulate the effect of failure along a predetermined line, such as a seam or structural joint. When the failure criterion is reached at a nodal pair, the nodes begin to separate. As this effect propagates, the weld will appear to “unzip,” thus simulating failure of the connection.



**Figure 6.1.** Definition of butt welds are shown above. The butt weld can be represented by a line of nodal points or by a closed loop.

# **\*CONTROL**

The keyword control cards are optional and can be used to change defaults, activate solution options such as mass scaling, adaptive remeshing, and an implicit solution; however, it is advisable to define the \*CONTROL\_TERMINATION card. **The ordering of the control cards in the input file is arbitrary. To avoid ambiguities, define no more than one control card of each type.** The keywords that have new options in this release are:

**\*CONTROL\_ADAPTIVE**

**\*CONTROL\_BULK\_VISCOSITY**

**\*CONTROL\_CONTACT**

**\*CONTROL\_DYNAMIC\_RELAXATION**

**\*CONTROL\_IMPLICIT\_INERTIA\_RELIEF**

# \*CONTROL

# \*CONTROL\_ADAPTIVE

## \*CONTROL\_ADAPTIVE

Purpose: Activate adaptive meshing. The parts which are adaptively meshed are defined by \*PART. See remarks below.

### Card Format

Card 1      1          2          3          4          5          6          7          8

Variable	ADPFREQ	ADPTOL	ADPOPT	MAXLVL	TBIRTH	TDEATH	LCADP	IOFLAG
Type	F	F	I	I	F	F	I	I
Default	none	10 <sup>20</sup>	1	3	0.0	10 <sup>20</sup>	0	0

Card 2      1          2          3          4          5          6          7          8

Variable	ADPSIZE	ADPASS	IREFLG	ADPENE	ADPTH	MEMORY	ORIENT	MAXEL
Type	F	I	I	F	F	I	I	I
Default		0	0	0.0	inactive	inactive	0	inactive

### Card Format (This card is optional).

Card 3      1          2          3          4          5          6          7          8

Variable	IADPE90		NCFREQ	IADPCL	ADPCTL	CBIRTH	CDEATH	
Type	I		I	I	F	F	F	
Default	0		none	1	none	0.0	10 <sup>20</sup>	

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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
ADPFREQ	Time interval between adaptive refinements, see Figure 8.1.
ADPTOL	Adaptive error tolerance in degrees for ADPOPT set to 1 or 2 below. If ADPOPT is set to 8, ADPTOL is the characteristic element size.
ADPOPT	Adaptive options:  EQ.1: angle change in degrees per adaptive refinement relative to the surrounding elements for each element to be refined.  EQ.2: total angle change in degrees relative to the surrounding element for each element to be refined. For example, if the adptol=5 degrees, the element will be refined to the second level when the total angle change reaches 5 degrees. When the angle change is 10 degrees the element will be refined to the third level.  EQ.7: 3D r-adaptive remeshing for solid elements. Solid element type 13, a tetrahedron, is used in the adaptive remeshing process. A completely new mesh is generated which is initialized from the old mesh using a least squares approximation. The mesh size is currently based on the minimum and maximum edge lengths defined on the *CONTROL_REMESHING keyword input. This option remains under development, and, we are not sure of its reliability on complex geometries.  EQ.8: 2D r-adaptive remeshing for axisymmetric and plane strain solid elements. A completely new mesh is generated which is initialized from the old mesh using a least squares approximation. The mesh size is currently based on the value, ADPTOL, which gives the characteristic element size. This option is based on earlier work by Dick and Harris [1992].
MAXLVL	Maximum number of refinement levels. Values of 1, 2, 3, 4,... allow a maximum of 1, 4, 16, 64, ... elements, respectively, to be created for each original element. The refinement level can be overridden by *DEFINE_BOX_ADAPTIVE, or *DEFINE_SET_ADAPTIVE.
TBIRTH	Birth time at which the adaptive remeshing begins, see Figure 8.1.
TDEATH	Death time at which the adaptive remeshing ends, see Figure 8.1.
LCADP	Adaptive interval is changed as a function of time given by load curve ID, LCADP. If this option is nonzero, the ADPFREQ will be replaced by LCADP. The x-axis is time and the y-axis is the varied adaptive time interval.

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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
IOFLAG	Flag to generate adaptive mesh at exit including *NODE, *ELEMENT, *SHELL, and *BOUNDARY_, *CONTACT_NODE_, and *CONSTRAINED_ADAPTIVITY, to be saved in the file, <i>adapt.msh</i> . EQ.1: generate adaptive mesh.
ADPSIZE	Minimum element size to be adapted based on element edge length. If undefined the edge length limit is ignored.
ADPASS	One or two pass adaptivity flag: EQ.0: two pass adaptivity as shown in Figure 8.1a, EQ.1: one pass adaptivity as shown in Figure 8.1b.
IREFLG	Uniform refinement level. A values of 1, 2, 3, ... allow 4, 16, 64, ... elements, respectively, to be created uniformly for each original element.
ADPENE	Adapt the mesh when the contact surfaces approach or penetrate the tooling surface depending on whether the value of ADPENE is positive ( <i>approach</i> ) or negative ( <i>penetrates</i> ), respectively. The tooling adaptive refinement is based on the curvature of the tooling. If ADPENE is positive the refinement generally occurs before contact takes place; consequently, it is possible that the parameter ADPASS can be set to 1 in invoke the one pass adaptivity.
ADPTH	.EQ.0.0 This parameter is ignored .GT.0.0 Absolute shell thickness level below which adaptive remeshing should began. .LT.0.0 Element thickness ratio. If the ratio of the element thickness to the original element thickness is less than the absolute value of ADPTHK, the element will be refined.  <b>This option works only if ADPTOL is nonzero. If thickness based adaptive remeshing is desired without angle changes, then, set ADPTOL to a large angle.</b>
MEMORY	This flag can have two meanings depending on whether the memory environmental variable is or is not set. The command " <i>setenv LSTC_MEMORY auto</i> " sets the memory environmental variable which causes LS-DYNA to expand memory automatically. Note that automatic memory expansion is not always 100% reliable depending on the machine and operating system level; consequently, it is not yet the default. To see if this is set on a particular machine type the command " <i>env</i> ".

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
	<p>If the environmental variable <u>is not set</u> then when memory usage reaches this percentage, MEMORY, further adaptivity is prevented to avoid exceeding the memory specified at execution time. Caution is necessary since memory usage is checked after each adaptive step, and, if the memory usage increases by more than the residual percentage, 100-PERCENT, the calculation will terminate.</p>
	<p>If the memory environmental variable <u>is set</u> then when the number of words of memory allocated reaches or exceeds this value, MEMORY, further adaptivity is stopped.</p>
ORIENT	<p>This option applies to the FORMING contact option only. If this flag is set to one (1), the user orientation for the contact interface is used. If this flag is set to zero (0), LS-DYNA sets the global orientation of the contact surface the first time a potential contact is observed after the birth time. If slave nodes are found on both sides of the contact surface, the orientation is set based on the principle of "majority rules". Experience has shown that this principle is not always reliable.</p>
MAXEL	<p>Adaptivity is stopped if this number of elements is exceeded.</p>
IADPE90	<p>Optional input parameter that gives the number of elements around a 90-degree radius. This is used with the <u>FORMING</u> type contact and look ahead adaptivity (ADPENE&gt;0) to specify when to refine the mesh due to pending contact with curved tools. ADPTOL is still necessary for refinement due to bending deformations.</p>
NCFREQ	<p>Frequency of fission to fusion steps. For example, if NCFREQ=4, then fusion will occur on the fourth, eighth, twelfth, etc., fission steps, respectively. If this option is used NCFREQ&gt;1 is recommended.</p>
IADPCL	<p>Fusion will not occur until the fission level reaches IADPCL. Therefore, if IADPCL=2, MAXLVL=5, any element can be split into 256 elements. If the surface flattens out, the number of elements will be reduced if the fusion option is active, i.e., the 256 elements can be fused and reduced to 16.</p>
ADPCTL	<p>Adaptivity error tolerance in degrees for activating fusion. It follows the same rules as ADPOPT above.</p>
CBIRTH	<p>Birth time for adaptive fusion. If ADPENE&gt;0, look-ahead adaptivity is active. In this case, fission, based on local tool curvature, will occur while the blank is still relatively flat. The time value given for CBIRTH should be set to a time later in the simulation after the forming process is well underway.</p>

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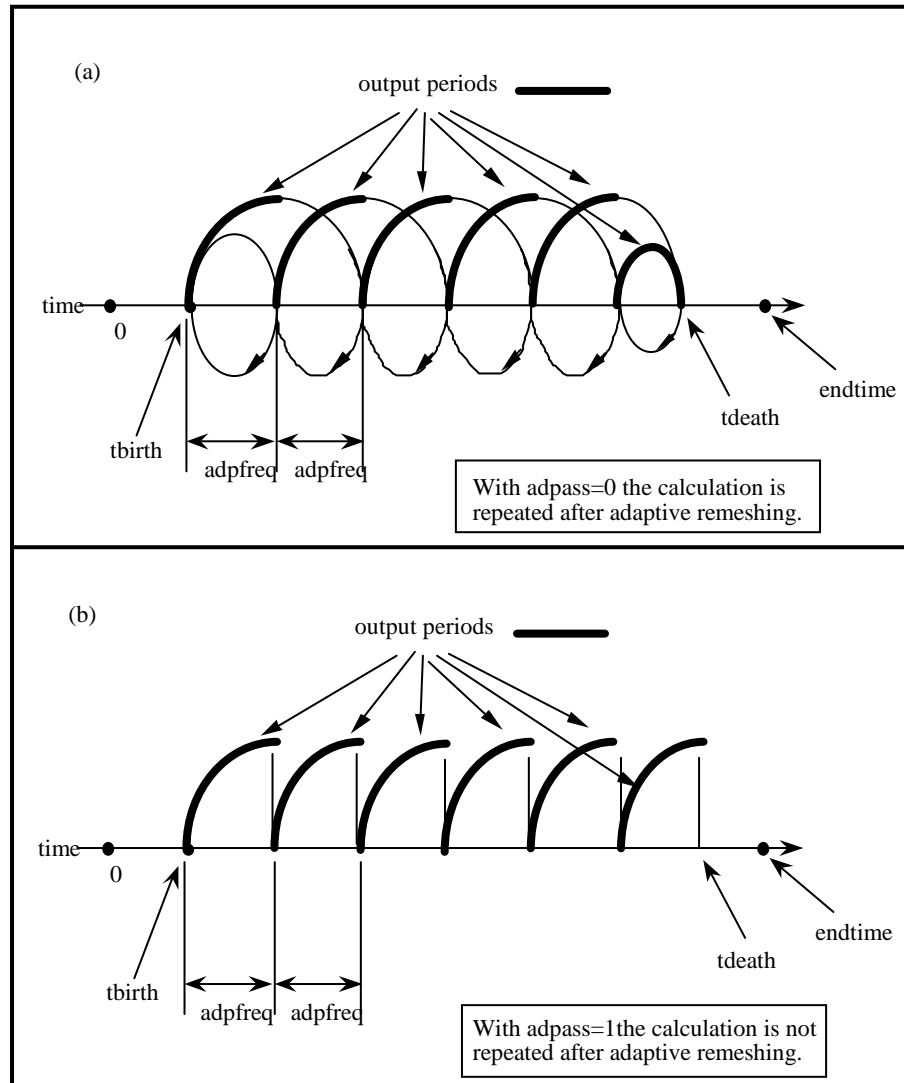
<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
CDEATH	Death time for adaptive fusion.

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**Remarks:**

1. D3DUMP and RUNRSF files contain all information necessary to restart an adaptive run. This did not work in version 936 of LS-DYNA.
2. Card 2 input is optional and is not required.
3. In order for this control card to work, the flag ADPOPT=1 must be set in the \*PART definition. Otherwise, adaptivity will not function.
4. In order for adaptivity to work optimally, the parameter SNLOG=1, must be set on Optional Control Card B in the \*CONTACT Section. On disjoint tooling meshes the contact option \*CONTACT\_FORMING\_..... is recommended.
5. A file *adapt.rid* is left on disk after the adaptive run is completed. This file contains the root ID of all elements that are created during the calculation, and it does not need to be kept if it is not used in post-processing.





**Figure 8.1.** At time= $t_{birth}$  the adaptive calculation begins. After computing for a time interval  $adpfreq$  error norms are computed. If  $ADPASS=0$ , then the mesh that existed at time= $t_{birth}$  is refined based on the computed error norms. With the new mesh, the calculation continues to time= $t_{birth}+2 \times adpfreq$  where the error norms are again computed. The mesh that existed at time= $t_{birth}+adpfreq$  is refined and the calculation continues to time= $t_{birth}+3 \times adpfreq$ , and so on. However, if  $ADPASS=1$ , then the mesh that exist at time= $t_{birth}+adpfreq$  is refined and the calculation continues. Errors that develop between adaptive remeshing are preserved. Generally,  $ADPASS=0$  is recommended but this option is considerably more expensive.

# \*CONTROL

\*CONTROL\_ALE

## \*CONTROL\_ALE

Purpose: Set default control parameters for the Arbitrary Lagrange-Eulerian and Eulerian calculations. See also \*ALE\_MULTI-MATERIAL\_GROUP, \*ALE\_SMOOTHING, \*INITIAL\_VOID\_OPTION., and \*SECTION\_SOLID\_ALE.

### Card Format

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	DCT	NADV	METH	AFAC	BFAC	CFAC	DFAC	EFAC
Type	I	I	I	F	F	F	F	F
Default	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	START	END	AAFAC	VFACT	PRIT	EBC	PREF	NSIDEBC
Type	F	F	F	F	F	I	F	
Default	0	1.0E+20	1	1.0E-06	0.0	0	0.0	

### Optional Card 3

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	NCPL	NBKT						
Type	I	I						
Default	1	50						

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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
DCT	Default continuum treatment: EQ.1: Lagrangian (default), EQ.2: Eulerian, EQ.3: Arbitrary Lagrangian Eulerian, EQ.4: Eulerian Ambient.
NADV	Number of cycles between advections.
METH	Advection method: EQ.1: donor cell + HIS (Half-Index-Shift, first order accurate), EQ.2: Van Leer + HIS (Half-Index-Shift, second order).
AFAC	ALE smoothing weight factor - Simple average: EQ.-1: turn smoothing off.
BFAC	ALE smoothing weight factor – Volume weighting
CFAC	ALE smoothing weight factor – Isoparametric
DFAC	ALE smoothing weight factor – Equipotential
EFAC	ALE smoothing weight factor – Equilibrium
START	Start time for ALE smoothing
END	End time for ALE smoothing
AAFAC	ALE advection factor (donor cell options, default=1.0)
VFACT	Volume fraction limit for stresses in single material and void formulation. All stresses are set to zero for elements with lower volume fraction than VFACT. EQ.0.0: set to default 1.0E-06.
PRIT	A flag to turn on or off the pressure equilibrium iteration option for multi-material elements (See Remark 1). EQ.0. Off (default) EQ.1. On
EBC	Automatic Euler boundary condition EQ.0. Off EQ.1. On with stick condition EQ.2. On with slip condition
PREF	Reference pressure applied to the free surfaces of the ALE mesh boundary. (See Remark 3).

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
NSIDEBC	A node set ID (NSID) which is to be excluded from the EBC constraint.
NCPL	Number of cycles between couplings. This should be done every cycle; therefore, the default is 1.
NBKT	Number of cycles between global searches to track the structure relative to the fluid. Default is 50.

**Remarks:**

1. By default, all materials in a multi-material element are assumed to undergo the same element averaged strain rates. This assumption may not be robust when mixing materials with very different compressibility. In this case, an assumption of pressure equilibrium in the element may be more appropriate.
2. This option, used for ALE and EULER formulations, automatically defines velocity boundary condition constraints for the user. The constraints, once defined, are applied to all nodes on free surfaces of an ALE or Eulerian material. For problems where the normal velocity of the material at the boundary is zero such as injection molding problems, the automatic boundary condition parameter is set to 2. This will play the same role as the Nodal Single Point Constraint. For EBC=1, the material velocity of all free surface nodes of ALE and Euler material is set to zero.
3. The PREF definition is equivalent to using the \*LOAD\_SEGMENT card to provide pressure loading on the free surfaces of all ALE or Eulerian mesh(es) in a model. This cannot be used to initialize the internal pressure of the material (that must be done via the \*EOS\_ or \*BOUNDARY\_AMBIENT\_EOS cards).

**\*CONTROL\_BULK\_VISCOSITY**

Purpose: Reset the default values of the bulk viscosity coefficients globally. This may be advisable for shock wave propagation and some materials. Bulk viscosity is used to treat shock waves. A viscous term  $q$  is added to the pressure to smear the shock discontinuities into rapidly varying but continuous transition regions. With this method the solution is unperturbed away from a shock, the Hugoniot jump conditions remain valid across the shock transition, and shocks are treated automatically.

**Card Format**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	Q1	Q2	TYPE					
Type	F	F	I					
Default	1.5	.06	1					

**VARIABLE****DESCRIPTION**

Q1	Default quadratic viscosity coefficient.
Q2	Default linear viscosity coefficient.
TYPE	Default bulk viscosity type, IBQ (Default=1) EQ. -2: standard (also type 2, 10, and 16 shell elements). With this option the internal energy dissipated by the viscosity in the shell elements is computed and included in the overall energy balance. EQ. -1: standard (also type 2, 10, and 16 shell elements). The internal energy is not computed in the shell elements. EQ.+1: standard . Solid elements only and internal energy is always computed and included in the overall energy balance.

**Remarks:**

The bulk viscosity creates an additional additive pressure term given by:

$$q = \rho l (Q_1 \dot{\epsilon}_{kk}^2 - Q_2 a \dot{\epsilon}_{kk}) \quad \text{if } \dot{\epsilon}_{kk} < 0$$

$$q = 0 \quad \text{if } \dot{\epsilon}_{kk} \geq 0$$

where  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are dimensionless input constants which default to 1.5 and .06, respectively, and  $l$  is a characteristic length given as the square root of the area in two dimensions and as the cube root of the volume in three,  $a$  is the local sound speed,  $Q_1$  defaults to 1.5 and  $Q_2$  defaults to .06. See Chapter 18 in Theoretical Manual for more details.

**\*CONTROL\_CONTACT**

Purpose: Change defaults for computation with contact surfaces.

**Card Format**

Card 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	SLSFAC	RWPNAL	ISLCHK	SHLTHK	PENOPT	THKCHG	ORIEN	ENMASS
Type	F	F	I	I	I	I	I	I
Default	.1	none	1	0	1	0	1	0

Card 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	USRSTR	USRFRC	NSBCS	INTERM	XPENE	SSTHK	ECDT	TIEDPRJ
Type	I	I	I	I	F	I	I	I
Default	0	0	10-100	0	4.0	0	0	0

**Card 3 is optional. The following parameters are the default values used by parts in automatic contacts. These frictional coefficients apply only to contact types: SINGLE\_SURFACE, AUTOMATIC\_GENERAL, AUTOMATIC\_SINGLE\_SURFACE, AUTOMATIC\_NODES\_TO\_..., AUTOMATIC\_SURFACE\_..., and AUTOMATIC\_ONE\_WAY\_..., and ERODING\_SINGLE\_SURFACE. Also see \*CONTACT and \*PART. Note that these default values will override the values specified for these contact types in the \*CONTACT section.**

Card 3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	SFRIC	DFRIC	EDC	VFC	TH	TH_SF	PEN_SF	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	
Default	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

Card 4 is optional. If this card is defined, then Card 3 above must be included. A blank card may be inserted for Card 3.

Card 4            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	IGNORE	FRCENG	SKIPRWG	OUTSEG	SPOTSTP	SPOTDEL	SPOTHIN	
Type	I	I	I	I	I	I	F	
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	inactive	

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
SLSFAC	Scale factor for sliding interface penalties, SLSFAC: EQ.0: default = .1.
RWPNAL	Scale factor for rigid wall penalties for treating rigid bodies interacting with <u>fixed</u> rigid walls, RWPNAL. The penalties are set so that a scale factor of unity should be optimal; however, this may be very problem dependent. If rigid/deformable materials switching is used, this option should be used if the switched materials are interacting with rigid walls. EQ.0.0: rigid bodies interacting with rigid walls are not considered. GT.0.0: rigid bodies interact with <u>fixed</u> rigid walls. A value of 1.0 is recommended. Seven (7) variables are stored for each slave node. This can increase memory requirements significantly if all nodes are slaved to the rigid walls.
ISLCHK	Initial penetration check in contact surfaces with indication of initial penetration in output files (see remarks below): EQ.0: the default is set to 1, EQ.1: no checking, EQ.2: full check of initial penetration is performed.
SHLTHK	Shell thickness considered in type surface to surface and node to surface type contact options, where options 1 and 2 below activate the new contact algorithms. The thickness offsets are always included in single surface, constraint method, and automatic surface to surface and node to surface contact types (See remarks below.): EQ.0: thickness is not considered, EQ.1: thickness is considered but rigid bodies are excluded, EQ.2: thickness is considered including rigid bodies.
PENOPT	Penalty stiffness value option. For default calculation of the penalty value please refer to the Theoretical Manual.



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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
	EQ.0: the default is set to 1, EQ.1: minimum of master segment and slave node (default for most contact types), EQ.2: use master segment stiffness (old way), EQ.3: use slave node value, EQ.4: use slave node value, area or mass weighted, EQ.5: same as 4 but inversely proportional to the shell thickness. This may require special scaling and is not generally recommended. Options 4 and 5 can be used for metalforming calculations.
THKCHG	Shell thickness changes considered in single surface contact: EQ.0: no consideration (default), EQ.1: shell thickness changes are included.
ORIEN	Optional automatic reorientation of contact interface segments during initialization: EQ.0: default is set to 1. EQ.1: active for automated (part) input only. Contact surfaces are given by *PART definitions. EQ.2: active for manual (segment) and automated (part) input. EQ.3: inactive.
ENMASS	Treatment of the mass of eroded nodes in contact. This option affects all contact types where nodes are removed after surrounding elements fail. Generally, the removal of eroded nodes makes the calculation more stable; however, in problems where erosion is important the reduction of mass will lead to incorrect results. EQ.0: eroding nodes are removed from the calculation. EQ.1: eroding nodes of solid elements are retained and continue to be active in contact. EQ.2: the eroding nodes of solid and shell elements are retained and continue to be active in contact.
USRSTR	Storage per contact interface for user supplied interface control subroutine, see Appendix D. If zero, no input data is read and no interface storage is permitted in the user subroutine. This storage should be large enough to accommodate input parameters and any history data. This input data is available in the user supplied subroutine.
USRFRC	Storage per contact interface for user supplied interface friction subroutine, see Appendix E. If zero, no input data is read and no interface storage is permitted in the user subroutine. This storage should be large enough to accommodate input parameters and any history data. This input data is available in the user supplied subroutine.

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
NSBCS	Number of cycles between contact searching using three dimensional bucket searches. Defaults recommended.
INTERM	Flag for intermittent searching in old surface-to-surface contact using the interval specified as NSBCS above: EQ.0: off, EQ.1: on.
XPENE	Contact surface maximum penetration check multiplier. If the small penetration checking option, PENCHK, on the contact surface control card is active, then nodes whose penetration then exceeds the product of XPENE and the element thickness are set free, see *CONTACT_OPTION_...: EQ.0: default is set to 4.0.
SSTHK	Flag for using actual shell thickness in single surface contact logic-types 4, 13, 15 and 26. See remarks 1 and 2 below. EQ.0: Actual shell thickness is not used in the contacts.(default), EQ.1: Actual shell thickness is used in the contacts. (sometimes recommended for metal forming calculations).
ECDT	Time step size override for eroding contact: EQ.0: contact time size may control Dt. EQ.1: contact is not considered in Dt determination.
TIEDPRJ	Bypass projection of slave nodes to master surface in types: *CONTACT_TIED_NODES_TO_SURFACE, *CONTACT_TIED_SHELL_EDGE_TO_SURFACE, and, *CONTACT_TIED_SURFACE_TO_SURFACE tied interface options: EQ.0: eliminate gaps by projection nodes, EQ.1: bypass projection. Gaps create rotational constraints which can substantially affect results.
SFRIC	Default static coefficient of friction (see *PART_CONTACT)
DFRIC	Default dynamic coefficient of friction (see *PART_CONTACT)
EDC	Default exponential decay coefficient (see *PART_CONTACT)
VFC	Default viscous friction coefficient (see *PART_CONTACT)
TH	Default contact thickness (see *PART_CONTACT)
TH_SF	Default thickness scale factor (see *PART_CONTACT)
PEN_SF	Default local penalty scale factor (see *PART_CONTACT)

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
IGNORE	<p>Ignore initial penetrations in the *CONTACT_AUTOMATIC options. In the SMP contact this flag is not implement for the AUTOMATIC_GENERAL option. “Initial” in this context refers to the first timestep that a penetration is encountered. This option can also be specified for each interface on the third optional card under the keyword, *CONTACT. The value defined here will be the default.</p> <p>EQ.0: move nodes to eliminate initial penetrations in the model definition.</p> <p>EQ.1: allow initial penetrations to exist by tracking the initial penetrations.</p> <p>EQ.2: allow initial penetrations to exist by tracking the initial penetrations. However, penetration warning messages are printed with the original coordinates and the recommended coordinates of each slave node given.</p>
FRCENG	<p>Flag to activate the calculation of frictional sliding energy:</p> <p>EQ.0: do not calculate,</p> <p>EQ.1: calculate frictional energy in contact and store as “Surface Energy Density” in the binary INTFOR file. Convert mechanical frictional energy to heat when doing a coupled thermal-mechanical problem.</p>
SKIPRWG	<p>Flag not to display stationary rigid wall by default.</p> <p>EQ.0: generate 4 extra nodes and 1 shell element to visualize stationary planar rigid wall.</p> <p>EQ.1: do not generate stationary rigid wall.</p>
OUTSEG	<p>Flag to output each spotweld slave node and its master segment for contact type: *CONTACT_SPOTWELD into the D3HSP file.</p> <p>EQ.0: no, do not write out this information.</p> <p>EQ.1: yes, write out this information.</p>
SPOTSTP	<p>If a spot weld node (related to a *MAT_SPOTWELD beam) cannot be found on a master segment, should an error termination occur?</p> <p>EQ.0: no, print warning message and continue calculation.</p> <p>EQ.1: yes, print error message and terminate.</p>
SPOTDEL	<p>If a spot weld node of a spot weld beam is attached to a shell element, which fails and is deleted, then the attached spot weld beam element is deleted if this flag is on. There is a small cost penalty related to this option on non-vector processors. On vector processors, however, this option can significantly slow down the calculation if many weld elements fail since the vector lengths are reduced.</p> <p>EQ.0: no, do not delete the beam element,</p> <p>EQ.1: yes, delete the beam elements when the attached shell fails.</p>

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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
SPOTHIN	Optional thickness scale factor. If active, define a factor greater than zero, but less than one. Premature failure of solid element spot welds can occur due to contact of the spot welded parts in the vicinity of the spot weld. This contact creates tensile forces in the spot weld. Although this seems physical, the compressive forces generated in the contact are large enough to fail the weld in tension before failure is observed in experimental test. With this option, the thickness of the parts in the vicinity of the weld are automatically scaled, the contact forces do not develop, and the problem is avoided. We recommend setting the IGNORE option to 1 or 2 if SPOTHIN is active. This option applies only to the AUTOMATIC_SINGLE_SURFACE option.

**Remarks:**

1. The shell thickness change option must be activated in CONTROL\_SHELL control input (see ISTUPD) and a nonzero flag specified for SHLTHK above before the shell thickness changes can be included in the surface-to-surface contact types. An additional flag must be set, see THKCHG above, if thickness changes are included in the single surface contact algorithms. The contact algorithms that include the shell thickness are relatively recent and are now fully optimized and parallelized. The searching in these algorithms is considerably more extensive and therefore slightly more expensive.
2. In the single surface contacts types SINGLE\_SURFACE, AUTOMATIC\_SINGLE\_SURFACE, and ERODING\_SINGLE\_SURFACE, the default contact thickness is taken as the smaller of two values -- the shell thickness or 40% of the minimum edge length. This may create unexpected difficulties if it is the intent to include thickness effects when the in-plane shell element dimensions are less than the thickness. The default is based on years of experience where it has been observed that sometimes rather large nonphysical thicknesses are specified to achieve high stiffness values. Since the global searching algorithm includes the effects of shell thicknesses, it is possible to slow the searches down considerably by using such nonphysical thickness dimensions.
3. The initial penetration check option is always performed in v. 950 irregardless of the value of ISLCHK. If you do not want to remove initial penetrations then set the contact birth time (see \*CONTACT\_...) so that the contact is not active at time 0.
4. Automatic reorientation requires offsets between the master and slave surface segments. The reorientation is based on segment connectivity and, once all segments are oriented consistently based on connectivity, a check is made to see if the master and slave surfaces face each other based on the right hand rule. If not, all segments in a given surface are reoriented. This procedure works well for non-disjoint surfaces. If the surfaces are disjoint, the AUTOMATIC contact options, which do not require orientation, are recommended. In the FORMING contact options automatic reorientation works for disjoint surfaces.

**\*CONTROL\_DYNAMIC\_RELAXATION**

Purpose: Define controls for dynamic relaxation. Important for stress initialization.

**Card Format**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	NRCYCK	DRTOL	DRFCTR	DRTERM	TSSFDR	IRELAL	EDTTL	IDRFLG
Type	I	F	F	F	F	I	F	I
Default	250	0.001	0.995	infinity	TSSFAC	0	0.04	0
Remarks								1, 2

**VARIABLE****DESCRIPTION**

NRCYCK	Number of iterations between convergence checks, for dynamic relaxation option (default = 250).
DRTOL	Convergence tolerance for dynamic relaxation option (default = 0.001).
DRFCTR	Dynamic relaxation factor (default = .995).
DRTERM	Optional termination time for dynamic relaxation. Termination occurs at this time or when convergence is attained (default = infinity).
TSSFDR	Scale factor for computed time step during dynamic relaxation. If zero, the value is set to TSSFAC defined on *CONTROL_TIMESTEP. After converging, the scale factor is reset to TSSFAC.
IRELAL	Automatic control for dynamic relaxation option based on algorithm of Papadrakakis [Papadrakakis 1981]: EQ.0: not active, EQ.1: active.
EDTTL	Convergence tolerance on automatic control of dynamic relaxation.

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
IDRFLG	Dynamic relaxation flag for stress initialization: EQ.-999: dynamic relaxation not activated even if specified on a load curve, see *DEFINE_CURVE, EQ.-1: dynamic relaxation is activated and time history output is produced during dynamic relaxation, <b>see Remark 2 below</b> , EQ.0: not active, EQ.1: dynamic relaxation is activated, EQ.2: initialization to a prescribed geometry, <b>see Remark 1 below</b> EQ.5: initialize implicitly and run explicitly

**Remarks:**

1. Stress initialization in LS-DYNA for small strains may be accomplished by linking to an implicit code (option 2). A displacement state is required that gives for each nodal point its label, xyz displacements, xyz rotations and temperature. This data is read from unit 7 (m=) with the format (i8,7e15.0). See also INTRODUCTION, Execution Syntax.
5. 2. If IDRFLG is set to -1 the dynamic relaxation proceeds as normal but time history data is written to the D3THDT file in addition to the normal data being written to the D3DRLF file. At the end of dynamic relaxation, the problem time is reset to zero. However, information is written to the D3THDT file with an increment to the time value. The time increment used is reported at the end of dynamic relaxation.

**\*CONTROL\_IMPLICIT\_INERTIA\_RELIEF**

Purpose: Allows analysis of linear static problems that have rigid body modes.

**Card Format**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	IRFLAG	THRESH						
Type	I	F						
Default	0	0.001						

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
IRFLAG	Inertia relief flag EQ.0: do not perform inertia relief EQ.1: do perform inertia relief
THRESH	Threshold for what is a rigid body mode. The default is set to 0.001 Hertz where it is assumed that the units are in seconds.





# **\*DEFINE**

The keyword **\*DEFINE** provides a way of defining boxes, coordinate systems, load curves, tables, and orientation vectors for various uses. There are two keyword cards that have been added in this release:

**\*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD\_FAILURE\_RESULTANTS**

**\*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD RUPTURE\_STRESS**

An additional option **\_TITLE** may be appended to all the **\*DEFINE** keywords. If this option is used then an addition line is read for each section in 80a format which can be used to describe the defined curve, table etc.. At present LS-DYNA does make use of the title. Inclusion of titles gives greater clarity to input decks.

# \*DEFINE

## \*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD\_FAILURE\_RESULTANTS

### \*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD\_FAILURE\_RESULTANTS

Purpose: Define failure criteria between part pairs for predicting spot weld failure. This table is implemented for *solid* element spot welds, which are used with the tied, constraint based, contact option: \*CONTACT\_TIED\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE. *Note that other tied contact types cannot be used.* The input in this section continues until then next “\*” card is encountered. Default values are used for any part ID pair that is not defined. Only one table can defined. See \*MAT\_SPOTWELD where this option is used whenever *OPT=7*.

#### Card Format

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	ID	DSN	DSS	DLCIDSN	DLCIDSS			
Type	I	F	F	I	I			
Default	0	0.0	0.0	0	0			

**Cards 2, 3, ..., The next “\*” card terminates the table definition.**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	PID_I	PID_J	SNIJ	SSIJ	LCIDSNIJ	LCIDSSIJ		
Type	I	I	F	F	I	I		
Default	none	none	0.0	0.0	0	0		

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
ID	Identification number. Only one table is allowed.
DSN	Default value of the normal static stress at failure.
DSS	Default value of the transverse static stress at failure.
DLCIDSN	Load curve ID defining a scale factor for the normal stress as a function of strain rate. This factor multiplies DSN to obtain the failure value at a given strain rate.

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
DLCIDSS	Load curve ID defining a scale factor for static shear stress as a function of strain rate. This factor multiplies DSN to obtain the failure value at a given strain rate.
PID_I	Part ID I.
PID_J	Part ID J.
SNIJ	The maximum axial stress at failure between parts I and J. The axial stress is computed from the solid element stress resultants, which are based on the nodal point forces of the solid element.
SSIJ	The maximum shear stress at failure between parts I and J. The shear stress is computed from the solid element stress resultants, which are based on the nodal point forces of the solid element.
LCIDSNIJ	Load curve ID defining a scale factor for the normal stress as a function of strain rate. This factor multiplies SNIJ to obtain the failure value at a given strain rate.
LCIDSSIJ	Load curve ID defining a scale factor for static shear stress as a function of strain rate. This factor multiplies SSIJ to obtain the failure value at a given strain rate.

### **Remarks:**

The stress based failure model, which was developed by *Toyota Motor Corporation*, is a function of the peak axial and transverse shear stresses. The entire weld fails if the stresses are outside of the failure surface defined by:

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{rr}}{\sigma_{rr}^F}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau^F}\right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

where  $\sigma_{rr}^F$  and  $\tau^F$  are specified in the above table by part ID pairs. LS-DYNA automatically identifies the part ID of the attached shell element for each node of the spot weld solid and checks for failure. If failure is detected the solid element is deleted from the calculation.

If the effects of strain rate are considered, then the failure criteria becomes:

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{rr}}{f_{dsn}(\dot{\epsilon}^p)\sigma_{rr}^F}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau}{f_{dss}(\dot{\epsilon}^p)\tau^F}\right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

# \*DEFINE

## \*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD RUPTURE STRESS

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Purpose: Define a static stress rupture table by part ID for shell elements connected to spot weld beam elements using the constrained contact option: \*CONTACT\_SPOTWELD. *This table will not work with other contact types.* Only one table is permitted in the problem definition. Data, which is defined in this table, is used by the stress based spot weld failure model developed by Toyota Motor Corporation. See \*MAT\_SPOTWELD where this option is activated by setting the parameter OPT to a value of 6.

**Define rupture stresses part by part. The next “\*” card terminates this input.**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	PID	SRSIG	SIGTAU					
Type	I	F	F					

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
PID	Part identification number.
SRSIG	Axial (normal) rupture stress, $\sigma_{rr}^F$ .
SIGTAU	Transverse (shear) rupture stress, $\tau^F$ .

### Remarks:

The stress based failure model, which was developed by Toyota Motor Corporation, is a function of the peak axial and transverse shear stresses. The entire weld fails if the stresses are outside of the failure surface defined by:

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{rr}}{\sigma_{rr}^F}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau^F}\right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

where  $\sigma_{rr}^F$  and  $\tau^F$  are specified in the above table by part ID. LS-DYNA automatically identifies the part ID of the attached shell element for each node of the spot weld beam and independently checks each end for failure. If failure is detected at either end, the beam element is deleted from the calculation.

If the effects of strain rate are considered, then the failure criteria becomes:

$$\left( \frac{\sigma_{rr}}{\sigma_{rr}^F(\dot{\epsilon}^p)} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\tau}{\tau^F(\dot{\epsilon}^p)} \right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

where  $\sigma_{rr}^F(\dot{\epsilon}^p)$  and  $\tau^F(\dot{\epsilon}^p)$  are found by using the Cowper and Symonds model which scales the static failure stresses:

$$\sigma_{rr}^F(\dot{\epsilon}^p) = \sigma_{rr}^F \cdot \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\dot{\epsilon}^p}{C} \right)^{1/p} \right]$$

$$\tau^F(\dot{\epsilon}^p) = \tau^F \cdot \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\dot{\epsilon}^p}{C} \right)^{1/p} \right]$$

where  $\dot{\epsilon}^p$  is the average plastic strain rate which is integrated over the domain of the attached shell element, and the constants  $p$  and  $C$  are uniquely defined at each end of the beam element by the constitutive data of the attached shell. The constitutive model is described in the material section under keyword: \*MAT\_PIECEWISE\_LINEAR\_PLASTICITY.

The peak stresses are calculated from the resultants using simple beam theory.

$$\sigma_{rr} = \frac{N_{rr}}{A} + \frac{\sqrt{M_{rs}^2 + M_{rt}^2}}{Z} \quad \tau = \frac{M_{rr}}{2Z} + \frac{\sqrt{N_{rs}^2 + N_{rt}^2}}{A}$$

where the area and section modulus are given by:

$$A = \pi \frac{d^2}{4}$$

$$Z = \pi \frac{d^3}{32}$$

and  $d$  is the diameter of the spot weld beam.

**\*DEFINE**

**\*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD\_RUPTURE\_STRESS**

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# **\*ELEMENT**

The keywords that have new options in this release are:

**\*ELEMENT\_BEAM\_{OPTION}\_{OPTION}**

The ordering of the element cards in the input file is completely arbitrary. An arbitrary number of element blocks can be defined preceded by a keyword control card.

**\*ELEMENT\_BEAM\_{OPTION}\_{OPTION}**

Available options include:

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**THICKNESS, SCALAR, SCALR or SECTION**

**PID**

**OFFSET**

**ORIENTATION**

**WARPAGE**

Purpose: Define two node elements including 3D beams, trusses, 2D axisymmetric shells, and 2D plane strain beam elements. The type of the element and its formulation is specified through the part ID (see \*PART) and the section ID (see \*SECTION\_BEAM).

Two alternative methods are available for defining the cross sectional property data. The THICKNESS and SECTION options are provided for the user to override the \*SECTION\_BEAM data which is taken as the default if the THICKNESS or SECTION option is not used. End release conditions are imposed using constraint equations, and caution must be used with this option as discussed in remark 2 below. The SCALAR/SCALR options applies only to material model type 146, \*MAT\_1DOF\_GENERALIZED\_SPRING.

The PID option is used by the type 9 spot weld element only and is ignored for all other beam types. When the PID option is active an additional card is read that gives two part ID's that are tied by the spot weld element. If the PID option is inactive for the type 9 element the nodal points of the spot weld are located to the two nearest segments. The surface of each segment should project to the other and in the most typical case the node defining the weld, assuming only one node is used, should lie in the middle; however, this is not a requirement. Note that with the spotweld elements only one node is needed to define the weld, and two nodes are optional.



**Card Format (10I8)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Variable	EID	PID	N <sub>1</sub>	N <sub>2</sub>	N <sub>3</sub>	RT1	RR1	RT2	RR2	LOCAL
Type	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Default	None	none	none	none	none	0	0	0	0	2
Remarks					1	2,3	2,3	2,3	2,3	2,3

**Optional Card (Required if THICKNESS is specified after the keyword)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Variable	PARM1		PARM2		PARM3		PARM4		PARM5	
Type	F		F		F		F		F	
Remarks	4		5		5		5		6	

**Optional Card (Required if SECTION is specified after the keyword)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	STYPE	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	
Type	A	F	F	F	F	F	F	
Remarks								

**Optional Card (Required if SCALAR is specified after the keyword)**

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Variable	VOL	INER	CID	DOFN1	DOFN2
Type	F	F	F	F	F

**Optional Card (Required if SCALR is specified after the keyword)**

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Variable	VOL	INER	CID1	CID2	DOFNS
Type	F	F	F	F	F

**Optional Card (Required if PID is specified after the keyword)**

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Variable	PID1	PID2							
Type	I	I							
Default	none	none							
Remarks									

**Optional Card (Required if OFFSET is specified after the keyword)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	WX1	WY1	WZ1	WX2	WY2	WZ2		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		
Default	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Remarks								

**Optional Card (Required if ORIENTATION is specified after the keyword)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	VX	VY	VZ					
Type	F	F	F					
Default	0.0	0.0	0.0					
Remarks								

**Optional Card (Required if WARPAGE is specified after the keyword)**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	SN <sub>1</sub>	SN <sub>2</sub>						
Type	I	I						
Default	none	none						
Remarks								

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
EID	Element ID. A unique number has to be specified.
PID	Part ID, see *PART.
N1	Nodal point (end) 1.
N2	Nodal point (end) 2. This node is optional for the spot weld, beam type 9, since if it not defined it will be created automatically and given a non-conflicting nodal point ID. Nodes N1 and N2 are automatically positioned for the spotweld beam element. For the zero length discrete beam elements where one end is attached to ground, set N2=-N1. In this case, a fully constrained nodal point will be created with a unique ID for node N2.
N3	Nodal point 3 for orientation. The third node, N3, is optional for beam types 3, 6, 7, 8, and 9 if the latter, type 9, has a circular cross section. The third node is used for the discrete beam, type 6, if and only if SCOOR is set to 2.0 in the *SECTION_BEAM input, but even in this case it is optional. An orientation vector can be defined directly by using the option, ORIENTATION. In this case N3 can be defined as zero.
RT1, RT2	Release conditions for translations at nodes N1 and N2, respectively: EQ.0: no translational degrees-of-freedom are released EQ.1: x-translational degree-of-freedom EQ.2: y-translational degree-of-freedom EQ.3: z-translational degree-of-freedom EQ.4: x and y-translational degrees-of-freedom EQ.5: y and z-translational degrees-of-freedom EQ.6: z and x-translational degrees-of-freedom EQ.7: x, y, and z-translational degrees-of-freedom (3DOF) This option does not apply to the spot weld, beam type 9.
RR1, RR2	Release conditions for rotations at nodes N1 and N2, respectively: EQ.0: no rotational degrees-of-freedom are released EQ.1: x-rotational degree-of-freedom EQ.2: y-rotational degree-of-freedom EQ.3: z-rotational degree-of-freedom EQ.4: x and y-rotational degrees-of-freedom EQ.5: y and z-rotational degrees-of-freedom EQ.6: z and x-rotational degrees-of-freedom EQ.7: x, y, and z-rotational degrees-of-freedom (3DOF) This option does not apply to the spot weld, beam type 9.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
LOCAL	Coordinate system option: EQ.1: global coordinate system EQ.2: local coordinate system (default)
PARAM1	Based on beam type: Type.EQ.1: beam thickness, s direction at node 1 Type.EQ.2: area Type.EQ.3: area Type.EQ.4: beam thickness, s direction at node 1 Type.EQ.5: beam thickness, s direction at node 1 Type.EQ.6: volume, see description for VOL below. Type.EQ.7: beam thickness, s direction at node 1 Type.EQ.8: beam thickness, s direction at node 1 Type.EQ.9: beam thickness, s direction at node 1
PARAM2	Based on beam type: Type.EQ.1: beam thickness, s direction at node 2 Type.EQ.2: $I_{ss}$ Type.EQ.3: not used Type.EQ.4: beam thickness, s direction at node 2 Type.EQ.5: beam thickness, s direction at node 2 Type.EQ.6: geometric inertia Type.EQ.6: Inertia, see description for INER below. Type.EQ.7: beam thickness, s direction at node 2 Type.EQ.8: beam thickness, s direction at node 2 Type.EQ.9: beam thickness, s direction at node 2
PARAM3	Based on beam type: Type.EQ.1: beam thickness, t direction at node 1 Type.EQ.2: $I_{tt}$ Type.EQ.3: not used Type.EQ.4: beam thickness, t direction at node 1 Type.EQ.5: beam thickness, t direction at node 1 Type.EQ.6: local coordinate ID Type.EQ.7: not used. Type.EQ.8: not used. Type.EQ.9: beam thickness, t direction at node 1
PARAM4	Based on beam type: Type.EQ.1: beam thickness, t direction at node 2 Type.EQ.2: $I_{rr}$ Type.EQ.3: not used Type.EQ.4: beam thickness, t direction at node 2 Type.EQ.5: beam thickness, t direction at node 2 Type.EQ.6: area

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
	Type.EQ.7: not used. Type.EQ.8: not used. Type.EQ.9: beam thickness, t direction at node 2
PARM5	Based on beam type: Type.EQ.1: not used Type.EQ.2: shear area Type.EQ.3: not used Type.EQ.4: not used Type.EQ.5: not used Type.EQ.6: offset Type.EQ.7: not used. Type.EQ.8: not used. Type.EQ.9: print flag to SWFORC file. The default is taken from the SECTION_BEAM input. To override set PARM5 to 1. to suppress printing and to 2.0 to print.
STYPE	Section type (A format): EQ.SECTION_01: Circular      EQ.SECTION_11: T-shape1 EQ.SECTION_02: Tubular      EQ.SECTION_12: I-shape1 EQ.SECTION_03: L-shape      EQ.SECTION_13: Channel1 EQ.SECTION_04: I-shape      EQ.SECTION_14: Z-shape EQ.SECTION_05: Channel      EQ.SECTION_15: Channel2 EQ.SECTION_06: T-shape      EQ.SECTION_16: T-shape2 EQ.SECTION_07: Box-shape    EQ.SECTION_17: Box-shape1 EQ.SECTION_08: Square      EQ.SECTION_18: Hexagon EQ.SECTION_09: Cross        EQ.SECTION_19: Hat-shape EQ.SECTION_10: H-shape      EQ.SECTION_20: Hat-shape1
D1-D6	Input parameters for section option using STYPE above.
PID1	Optional part ID for spot weld element type 9.
PID2	Optional part ID for spot weld element type 9.
VOL	Volume of discrete beam and scalar beam. If the mass density of the material model for the discrete beam is set to unity, the magnitude of the lumped mass can be defined here instead. This lumped mass is partitioned to the two nodes of the beam element. The translational time step size for the type 6 beam is dependent on the volume, mass density, and the translational stiffness values, so it is important to define this parameter. Defining the volume is also essential for mass scaling if the type 6 beam controls the time step size.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
INER	Mass moment of inertia for the six degree of freedom discrete beam and scalar beam. This lumped inertia is partitioned to the two nodes of the beam element. The rotational time step size for the type 6 beam is dependent on the lumped inertia and the rotational stiffness values, so it is important to define this parameter if the rotational springs are active. Defining the rotational inertia is also essential for mass scaling if the type 6 beam rotational stiffness controls the time step size.
CID	Coordinate system ID for orientation, material type 146, see *DEFINE_COORDINATE_SYSTEM. If CID=0, a default coordinate system is defined in the global system.
DOFN1	Active degree-of-freedom at node 1, a number between 1 to 6 where 1, 2, and 3 are the x, y, and z-translations and 4, 5, and 6 are the x, y, and z-rotations. This degree-of-freedom acts in the local system given by CID above. This input applies to material model type 146.
DOFN2	Active degree-of-freedom at node 2, a number between 1 to 6. This degree-of-freedom acts in the local system given by CID above. This input applies to material model type 146.
CID1	Coordinate system ID at node 1 for orientation, material type 146, see *DEFINE_COORDINATE_SYSTEM. If CID1=0, a default coordinate system is defined in the global system.
CID2	Coordinate system ID at node 2 for orientation, material type 146, see *DEFINE_COORDINATE_SYSTEM. If CID2=0, a default coordinate system is defined in the global system.
DOFNS	Active degrees-of-freedom at node 1 and node 2. A two-digit number, the first for node 1 and the second for node 2, between 11 to 66 is expected where 1, 2, and 3 are the x, y, and z-translations and 4, 5, and 6 are the x, y, and z-rotations. These degrees-of-freedom acts in the local system given by CID1 and CID2 above. This input applies to material model type 146. If DOFNS=12 the node one has an x-translation and node 2 has a y translation.
WX1-WZ1	Offset vector at nodal point N1.
WX2-WZ2	Offset vector at nodal point N2.
VX,VY, VZ	Orientation vector at node N1. In this case the orientation nodal point N3, is defined as zero.

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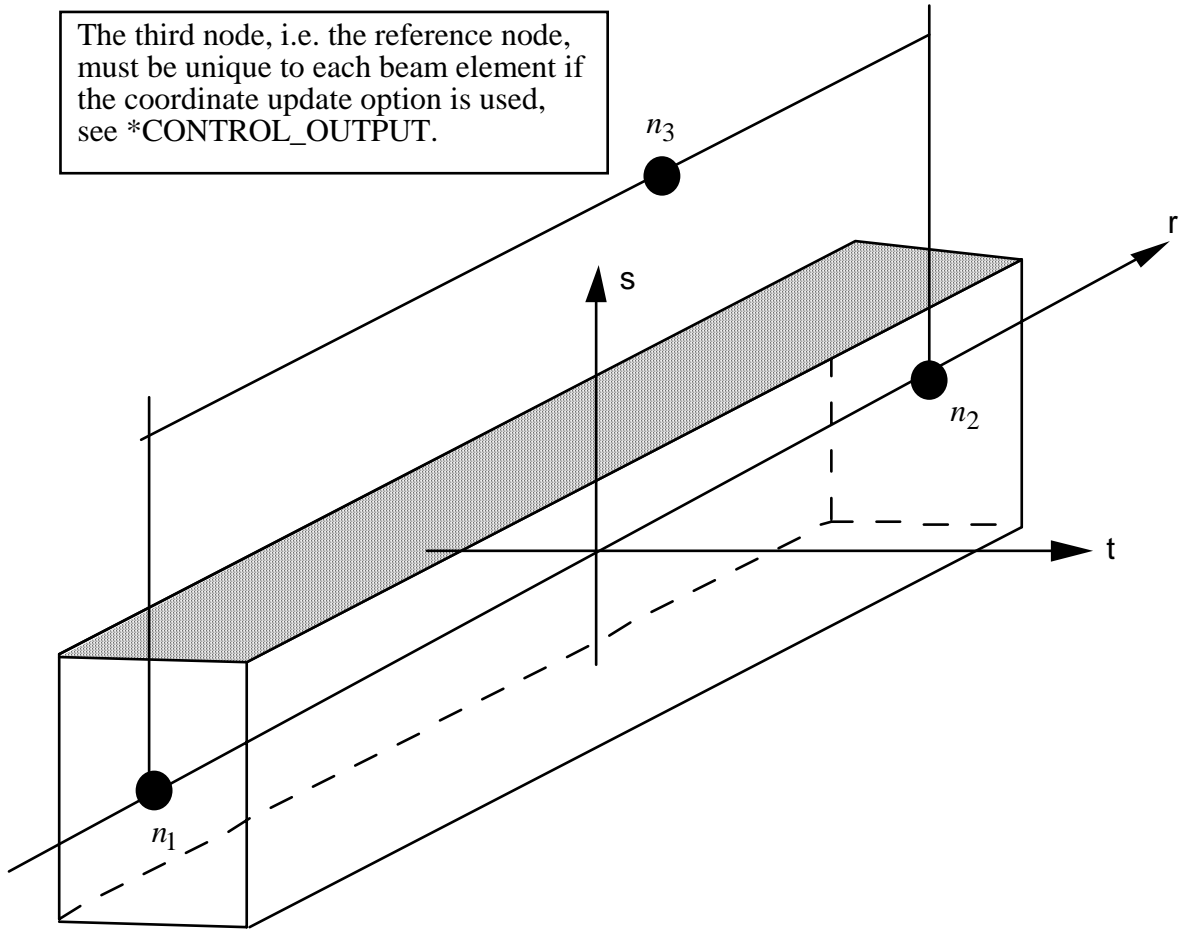
<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
SN1	Scalar nodal point (end) 1. This node is required for the WARPAGE option.
SN2	Scalar nodal point (end) 2. This node is required for the WARPAGE option.

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**Remarks:**

1. A plane through  $N_1$ ,  $N_2$ , and  $N_3$  defines the orientation of the principal r-s plane of the beam, see Figure 13.1.
2. This option applies to all three-dimensional beam elements. The released degrees-of-freedom can be either global, or local relative to the local beam coordinate system, see Figure 13.1. A local coordinate system is stored for each node of the beam element and the orientation of the local coordinate systems rotates with the node. To properly track the response, the nodal points with a released resultant are automatically replaced with new nodes to accommodate the added degrees-of-freedom. Then constraint equations are used to join the nodal points together with the proper release conditions imposed. **Consequently, nodal points which belong to beam elements which have release conditions applied cannot be subjected to other constraints such as applied displacement /velocity/acceleration boundary conditions, nodal rigid bodies, nodal constraint sets, or any of the constraint type contact definitions.** Force type loading conditions and penalty based contact algorithms may be used with this option.
3. Please note that this option may lead to nonphysical constraints if the translational degrees-of-freedom are released, but this should not be a problem if the displacements are infinitesimal.
4. If the second card is not defined for the resultant beam or if the area, A, is not defined the properties are taken from the cross section cards, see \*SECTION\_BEAM.
5. Do not define for discrete beams (beam type 6), see \*SECTION\_BEAM.
6. Define for resultant beam elements only, see \*SECTION\_BEAM.
7. The stress resultants are output in local coordinate system for the beam. Stress information is optional and is also output in the local system for the beam.





**Figure 13.1.** LS-DYNA beam elements. Node  $n_3$  determines the initial orientation of the cross section.

# \*ELEMENT

# \*ELEMENT\_SEATBELT\_PRETENSIONER

## \*ELEMENT\_SEATBELT\_PRETENSIONER

Purpose: Define seat belt pretensioner. A combination with sensors and retractors is also possible.

### Card Format

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	SBPRID	SBPRTY	SBSID1	SBSID2	SBSID3	SBSID4		
Type	I	I	I	I	I	I		
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Remarks			1					

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	SBRID	TIME	PTLCID	LMTFRC				
Type	I	F	I	F				
Default	0	0.0	0	0				
Remarks								

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
SBPRID	Pretensioner ID. A unique number has to be used.
SBPRTY	Pretensioner type (see Remark 2 below): EQ.1: pyrotechnic retractor with force limits, EQ.2: pre-loaded spring becomes active, EQ.3: lock spring removed, EQ.4: force versus time retractor. EQ.5: pyrotechnic retractor (old type in version 950) but with optional force limiter, LMTFRC. EQ.6: combination of types 4 and 5 as described in the notes below.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
SBSID1	Sensor 1, see *ELEMENT_SEATBELT_SENSOR.
SBSID2	Sensor 2, see *ELEMENT_SEATBELT_SENSOR.
SBSID3	Sensor 3, see *ELEMENT_SEATBELT_SENSOR.
SBSID4	Sensor 4, see *ELEMENT_SEATBELT_SENSOR.
SBRID	Retractor number (SBPRTY = 1) or spring element number (SBPRTY = 2 or 3).
TIME	Time between sensor triggering and pretensioner acting.
PTLCID	Load curve for pretensioner (Time after activation, Pull-in) (SBPRTY = 1).
LMTFRC	Optional limiting force for retractor type 5. If zero, this option is ignored.

**Remarks:**

1. At least one sensor should be defined.

Pretensioners allow modeling of five types of active devices which tighten the belt during the initial stages of a crash. Types 1 and 5 represent a pyrotechnic device which spins the spool of a retractor, causing the belt to be reeled in. The user defines a pull-in versus time curve which applies once the pretensioner activates. Types 2 and 3 represent preloaded springs or torsion bars which move the buckle when released. The pretensioner is associated with any type of spring element including rotational. Note that the preloaded spring, locking spring and any restraints on the motion of the associated nodes are defined in the normal way; the action of the pretensioner is merely to cancel the force in one spring until (or after) it fires. With the second type, the force in the spring element is canceled out until the pretensioner is activated. In this case the spring in question is normally a stiff, linear spring which acts as a locking mechanism, preventing motion of the seat belt buckle relative to the vehicle. A preloaded spring is defined in parallel with the locking spring. This type avoids the problem of the buckle being free to 'drift' before the pretensioner is activated. Type 4, a force type, is described below.

To activate the pretensioner, the following sequence of events must occur:

1. Any one of up to four sensors must be triggered.
2. Then a user-defined time delay occurs.
3. Then the pretensioner acts.

2. In the 950 version of LS-DYNA, there are three types of seatbelt pretensioners that can be simulated. Types 2 and 3 are simple triggers for activating or deactivating springs, which then pull on the buckle. No changes have been made to these, and they are not discussed here. The type 1 pretensioner is intended to simulate a pyrotechnic retractor. The user inputs a load curve describing the pull-in of the pretensioner as a function of time. This pretensioner type interacts with the retractor, forcing it to pull in the amount of belt indicated. It works well, and does exactly what it says it will do, but it can be difficult to use in practice. The reason for this is that it has no regard for the forces being exerted on the belt. If a pull-in of 20mm is specified at a particular time, then 20mm of belt will be pulled in, even if this results in unrealistic forces in the seatbelt. Furthermore, there was no explicit way to turn this pretensioner off. Once defined, it overrode the retractor completely, and the amount of belt passing into or out of the retractor depended solely on the load curve specified.

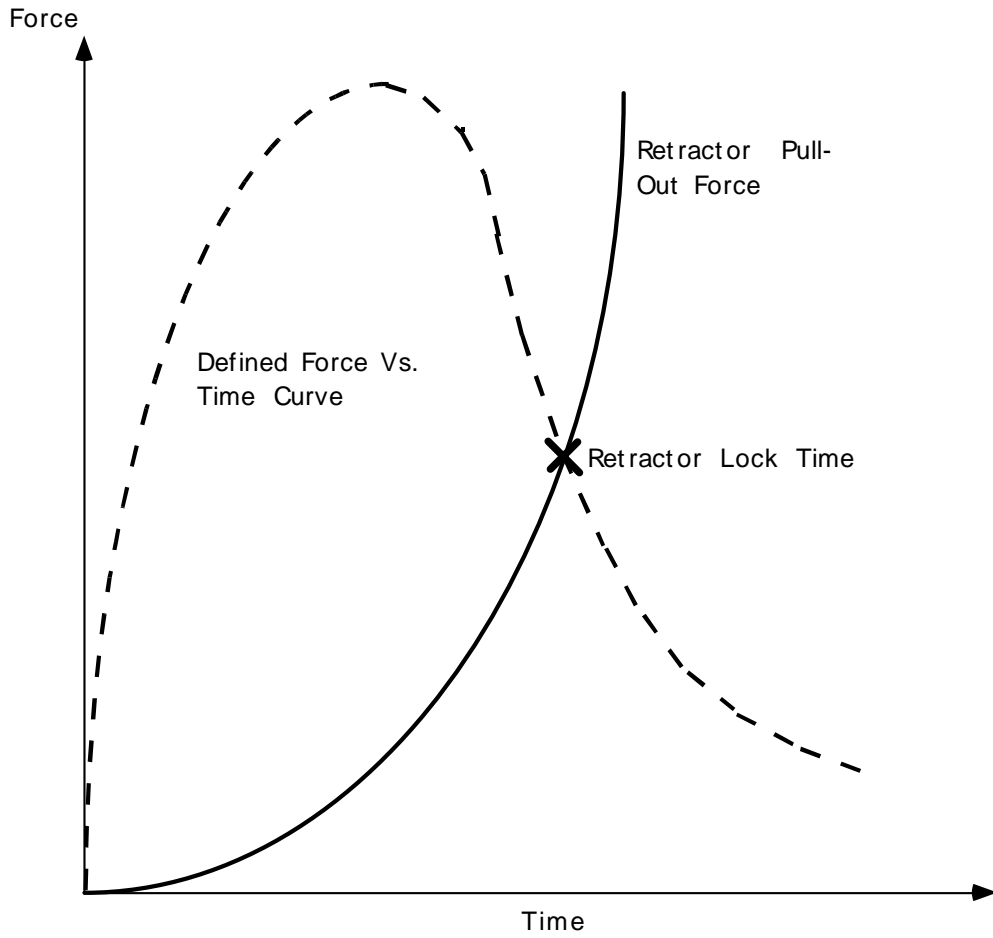
In the 970 version of LS-DYNA, the behavior of the type 1 pretensioner was changed due to user feedback regarding these shortcomings. The behavior now is fundamentally simpler, though a bit confusing to explain. Each retractor has a loading (and optional unloading) curve that describes the force on the belt element as a function of the amount of belt that has been pulled out of the retractor since the retractor locked. The new type 1 pretensioner acts as a shift of this retractor load curve. An example will make this clear. Suppose at a particular time that 5mm of belt material has left the retractor. The retractor will respond with a force corresponding to 5mm pull-out on its loading curve. But suppose this retractor has a type 1 pretensioner defined, and at this instant of time the pretensioner specifies a pull-in of 20mm. The retractor will then respond with a force that corresponds to (5mm + 20mm) on its loading curve. This results in a much larger force. The effect can be that belt material will be pulled in, but unlike in the 950 version, there is no guarantee. The benefit of this implementation is that the force vs. pull-in load curve for the retractor is followed and no unrealistic forces are generated. Still, it may be difficult to produce realistic models using this option, so two new types of pretensioners have been added. These are available in 970 versions 1300 and later.

The type 4 pretensioner takes a force vs. time curve, See Figure 13.2. Each time step, the retractor computes the desired force without regard to the pretensioner. If the resulting force is less than that specified by the pretensioner load curve, then the pretensioner value is used instead. As time goes on, the pretensioner load curve should drop below the forces generated by the retractor, and the pretensioner is then essentially inactive. This provides for good control of the actual forces, so no unrealistic values are generated. The actual direction and amount of belt movement is unspecified, and will depend on the other forces being exerted on the belt. This is suitable when the force the pretensioner exerts over time is known.

The type 5 pretensioner is essentially the same as the old type 1 pretensioner, but with the addition of a force limiting value. The pull-in is given as a function of time, and the belt is drawn into the retractor exactly as desired. However, if at any point the forces generated in the belt exceed the pretensioner force limit, then the pretensioner is deactivated and the retractor takes over. In order to prevent a large discontinuity in the force at this point, the loading curve for the retractor is shifted (in the abscissa) by the

amount required to put the current (pull-out, force) on the load curve. For example, suppose the current force is 1000, and the current pull-out is -10 (10mm of belt has been pulled IN by the pretensioner). If the retractor would normally generate a force of 1000 after 25mm of belt had been pulled OUT, then the load curve is shifted to the left by 35, and remains that way for the duration of the calculation. So that at the current pull-in of 10, it will generate the force normally associated with a pull out of 25. If the belt reaches a pull out of 5, the force will be as if it were pulled out 40 (5 + the shift of 35), and so on. This option is included for those who liked the general behavior of the old type 1 pretensioner, but has the added feature of the force limit to prevent unrealistic behavior.

The type 6 pretensioner is a variation of the type 4 pretensioner, with features of the type 5 pretensioner. A force vs. time curve is input and the pretensioner force is computed each cycle. The retractor linked to this pretensioner should specify a positive value for PULL, which is the distance the belt pulls out before it locks. As the pretensioner pulls the belt into the retractor, the amount of pull-in is tracked. As the pretensioner force decreases and drops below the belt tension, belt will begin to move back out of the retractor. Once PULL amount of belt has moved out of the retractor (relative to the maximum pull in encountered), the retractor will lock. At this time, the pretensioner is disabled, and the retractor force curve is shifted to match the current belt tension. This shifting is done just like the type 5 pretensioner. It is important that a positive value of PULL be specified to prevent premature retractor locking which could occur due to small outward belt movements generated by noise in the simulation.



**Figure 13.2.** Force versus time pretensioner. At the intersection, the retractor locks.

# **\*HOURLASS**

## **\*HOURLASS**

Purpose: Define hourglass and bulk viscosity properties which are referenced via HGID in the \*PART command. Properties specified here, when invoked for a particular part, override those in \*CONTROL\_HOURLASS and \*CONTROL\_BULK\_VISCOSITY.

An additional option **\_TITLE** may be appended to \*HOURLASS keywords. If this option is used then an addition line is read for each section in 80a format which can be used to describe the section. At present LS-DYNA does make use of the title. Inclusion of titles gives greater clarity to input decks.

### **Card Format**

Card 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	HGID	IHQ	QM	IBQ	Q1	Q2	QB	QW
Type	I	I	F	I	F	F	F	F
Default	0	1	.10	0	1.5	0.06	QM	QM
Remark		1	2&4	3	3	3	4	4,6

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**VARIABLE**

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**DESCRIPTION**

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HGID Hourglass ID. Unique numbers have to be specified. This ID is referenced by HGID in the \*PART command.

IHQ Hourglass control type. For solid elements six options are available. For quadrilateral shell and membrane elements the hourglass control is based on the formulation of Belytschko and Tsay, i.e., options 1-3 are identical, and options 4-6 are identical:

EQ.0: default=1 regardless of IHQ in \*control\_hourglass,

EQ.1: standard LS-DYNA viscous form,

EQ.2: Flanagan-Belytschko viscous form,

EQ.3: Flanagan-Belytschko viscous form with exact volume integration for solid elements,

EQ.4: Flanagan-Belytschko stiffness form,

# \*HOURLASS

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
	<p>EQ:5: Flanagan-Belytschko stiffness form with exact volume integration for solid elements.</p> <p>EQ:6: Belytschko-Bindeman [1993] assumed strain co-rotational stiffness form for 2D and 3D solid elements only. This form is available for explicit and IMPLICIT solution methods. In fact, type 6 is mandatory for the implicit options.</p> <p>EQ:8: Applicable to the type 16 fully integrated shell element. IHQ=8 activates the warping stiffness for accurate solutions. A speed penalty of 25% is common for this option.</p> <p>A discussion of the viscous and stiffness hourglass control for shell elements follows at the end of this section.</p>
QM	<p>Hourglass coefficient. Values of QM that exceed .15 may cause instabilities. The recommended default applies to all options except for IHQ=6. The stiffness forms, however, can stiffen the response especially if deformations are large and therefore should be used with care. For the shell and membrane elements QM is taken as the membrane hourglass coefficient, the bending as QB, and warping as QW. These coefficients can be specified independently, but generally, QM=QB=QW, is adequate. For type 6 solid element hourglass control, see note 4 below.</p>
IBQ	<p>Bulk viscosity type (See remark 3. below.): EQ.1: standard LS-DYNA.</p>
Q1	<p>Quadratic bulk viscosity coefficient.</p>
Q2	<p>Linear bulk viscosity coefficient.</p>
QB	<p>Hourglass coefficient for shell bending. The default: QB=QM. See remark 4 below.</p>
QW	<p>Hourglass coefficient for shell warping. The default: QB=QW. For solid element type 6 hourglass control, see remark 6.</p>

## **Remarks:**

1. Viscous hourglass control is recommended for problems deforming with high velocities. Stiffness control is often preferable for lower velocities, especially if the number of time steps are large. For solid elements the exact volume integration provides some advantage for highly distorted elements.



2. For automotive crash the stiffness form of the hourglass control with a coefficient of 0.05 is preferred by many users.
3. Bulk viscosity is necessary to propagate shock waves in solid materials and therefore applies only to solid elements. Generally, the default values are okay except in problems where pressures are very high, larger values may be desirable. In low density foams, it may be necessary to reduce the viscosity values since the viscous stress can be significant. It is not advisable to reduce it by more than an order of magnitude.
4. Type 6 hourglass control is for 2D and 3D solid elements only. Based on elastic constants and an assumed strain field, it produces accurate coarse mesh bending results for elastic material when QM=1.0. For plasticity models with a yield stress tangent modulus that is much smaller than the elastic modulus, a smaller value of QM (0.001 to 0.1) may produce better results. For any material, keep in mind that the stiffness is based on the elastic constants, so if the material softens, a QM value smaller than 1.0 may work better. For anisotropic materials, an average of the elastic constants is used. For fluids modeled with null material, type 6 hourglass control is viscous and is scaled to the viscosity coefficient of the material (see \*MAT\_NULL).
5. In part, the computational efficiency of the Belytschko-Lin-Tsay and the under integrated Hughes-Liu shell elements are derived from their use of one-point quadrature in the plane of the element. To suppress the hourglass deformation modes that accompany one-point quadrature, hourglass viscous or stiffness based stresses are added to the physical stresses at the local element level. The discussion of the hourglass control that follows pertains to all one point quadrilateral shell and membrane elements in LS-DYNA.

The hourglass shape vector  $\tau_I$  is defined as

$$\tau_I = h_I - (h_J \hat{x}_{aJ}) B_{aI}$$

where,  $\hat{x}_{aJ}$  are the element coordinates in the local system at the Ith element node,  $B_{aI}$  is the strain displacement matrix, and hourglass basis vector is:

$$h = \begin{bmatrix} +1 \\ -1 \\ +1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is the basis vector that generates the deformation mode that is neglected by one-point quadrature. In the above equations and the remainder of this subsection, the Greek subscripts have a range of 2, e.g.,  $\hat{x}_{aI} = (\hat{x}_{1I}, \hat{x}_{2I}) = (\hat{x}_I, \hat{y}_I)$ .

The hourglass shape vector then operates on the generalized displacements to produce the generalized hourglass strain rates

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$$\dot{q}_\alpha^M = \tau_l \hat{v}_{\alpha l}$$

$$\dot{q}_\alpha^B = \tau_l \hat{\theta}_{\alpha l}$$

$$\dot{q}_3^W = \tau_l \hat{v}_{zl}$$

where the superscripts M, B, and W denote membrane, bending, and warping modes, respectively. The corresponding hourglass stress rates are then given by

$$\dot{Q}_\alpha^M = \frac{QM \cdot EtA}{8} B_{\beta l} B_{\beta l} \dot{q}_\alpha^M$$

$$\dot{Q}_\alpha^B = \frac{QB \cdot Et^3 A}{192} B_{\beta l} B_{\beta l} \dot{q}_\alpha^B$$

$$\dot{Q}_3^W = \frac{QW \cdot \kappa G t^3 A}{12} B_{\beta l} B_{\beta l} \dot{q}_3^W$$

where t is the shell thickness. The hourglass coefficients: QM, QB, and QW are generally assigned values between 0.05 and 0.10.

Finally, the hourglass stresses which are updated using the time step,  $\Delta t$ , from the stress rates in the usual way, i.e.,

$$Q^{n+1} = Q^n + \Delta t \dot{Q}$$

and the hourglass resultant forces are then

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha l}^H = \tau_l Q_\alpha^M$$

$$\hat{m}_{\alpha l}^H = \tau_l Q_\alpha^B$$

$$\hat{f}_{3l}^H = \tau_l Q_3^W$$

where the superscript H emphasizes that these are internal force contributions from the hourglass deformations.

- When IHG=6, setting QW=1 flags a linear total strain formulation of Belytschko-Bindeman [1993] stiffness form for 3D solid elements. This linear form was developed for visco-elastic material and guarantees that an element will spring back to its initial shape regardless of the severity of deformation.

# **\*INITIAL**

The keyword **\*INITIAL** provides a way of initializing velocities and detonation points. There is one new keyword that has been added for this release:

**\*INITIAL\_STRESS\_SECTION**

**\*INITIAL\_STRESS\_SECTION**

Purpose: Initialize the stress in solid elements that are part of a section definition to create a preload. The stress component in the direction normal to the cross-section plane is initialized. This option works with a subset of materials that are incrementally updated including the elastic, viscoelastic, and elastoplastic materials. Rubbers, foams, and materials that are combined with equations-of-state cannot be initialized by this approach.

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	ISSID	SECID	LCID	PSID				
Type	I	I	I	I				
Default	none	none	none	none				

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
ISSID	Section stress initialization ID.
SECID	Section ID. See *DATABASE_CROSS_SECTION.
LCID	Load curve ID defining preload stress versus time. When the load curve ends or goes to zero, the initialization is assumed to be completed. See remark 2 below.
PSID	Part set ID.

**Remarks:**

1. To achieve convergence during explicit dynamic relaxation, the application of the damping options is very important. If contact is active, contact damping is recommended with a value between 10-20 percent. Additional damping, via the option DAMPING\_PART\_STIFFNESS also speeds convergence where a coefficient of 0.10 is effective. If damping is not used, convergence may not be possible.
2. When defining the load curve, LCID, a ramp starting at the origin should be used to increase the stress to the desired value. The time duration of the ramp should produce a quasi-static response. When the end of the load curve is reached, or when the value of the load decreases from its maximum value, the initialization stops. If the load curve

begins at the desired stress value, i.e., no ramp, convergence will take much longer, since the impulsive like load created by the initial stress can excite nearly every frequency in the structural system where stress is initialized.

3. This option currently applies only to materials that are incrementally updated. Hyperelastic materials and materials that require an equation-of-state are not currently supported.
4. Solid elements types 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, and 18 are supported. ALE elements are not supported.

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**\*INITIAL\_STRESS\_SECTION**

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# **\*KEYWORD**

**\*KEYWORD\_OPTION** {*MEMORY*}

One option is available:

## **ID**

Purpose: The keyword, **\*KEYWORD**, flags LS-DYNA that the input deck is a keyword deck rather than the structured format, which has a strictly defined format. This must be the first card in the input file. Alternatively, by typing “keyword” on the execution line, keyword input formats are assumed and this beginning “**\*KEYWORD**” line is not required. If a number {*MEMORY*} is specified after the word **KEYWORD**, it defines the memory size to be used in words. The memory size can also be set on the command line. Note that the memory size specified on the **\*KEYWORD** card is overridden by the memory specified on the execution line.

One optional card is available for **\*KEYWORD** for naming file names with a prefix. This option allows for multiple simulations in a directory, since the prefix is attached to all output and scratch filenames, i.e., not the input filenames.

### **Optional Card Format if the ID option is active.**

Card 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	PROJECT	NUM	STAGE					
Type	A	A	A					
Default	None	none	none					
Remarks	see below							

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
PROJECT	First part of the file name prefix.
NUM	Second part of the file name prefix.
STAGE	Third part of the file name prefix.

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### **Remarks:**

As an example, the prefix with the file name given on the optional card for file D3PLOT would appear as:

PROJECT\_NUM\_STAGE.D3PLOT

The prefix can also be assigned by the command option, jobid on the execute line. For example, the execute line could appear as:

ls971 I=input.k jobid= PROJECT\_NUM\_STAGE



# **\*MAT**

The following material models have been added or modified:

TYPE 34:	<b>*MAT_FABRIC</b>
TYPE 75:	<b>*MAT_BILKHU/DUBOIS_FOAM</b>
TYPE 81-82:	<b>*MAT_PLASTICITY_WITH_DAMAGE_{OPTION}</b>
TYPE 91:	<b>*MAT_SOFT_TISSUE_{OPTION}</b>
TYPE 100:	<b>*MAT_SPOTWELD_{OPTION}</b>
TYPE 103:	<b>*MAT_ANISOTROPIC_VISCOPLASTIC</b>
TYPE 123:	<b>*MAT_MODIFIED_PIECEWISE_LINEAR_PLASTICITY_{OPTION}</b>
TYPE 124:	<b>*MAT_PLASTICITY_COMPRESSION_TENSION</b>
TYPE 126:	<b>*MAT_MODIFIED_HONEYCOMB</b>
TYPE 133:	<b>*MAT_BARLAT_YLD2000</b>
TYPE 146:	<b>*MAT_1DOF_GENERALIZED_SPRING</b>
TYPE 158:	<b>*MAT_RATE_SENSITIVE_COMPOSITE_FABRIC</b>
TYPE 169:	<b>*MAT_ARUP_ADHESIVE</b>
TYPE 181:	<b>*MAT_SIMPLIFIED_RUBBER/FOAM</b>

An additional option **\_TITLE** may be appended to all the **\*MAT** keywords. If this option is used then an additional line is read for each section in 80a format which can be used to describe the material. At present LS-DYNA does not make use of the title. Inclusion of titles gives greater clarity to input decks.

**\*MAT\_FABRIC**

This is Material Type 34. This material is especially developed for airbag materials. The fabric model is a variation on the layered orthotropic composite model of material 22 and is valid for 3 and 4 node membrane elements only. In addition to being a constitutive model, this model also invokes a special membrane element formulation which is more suited to the deformation experienced by fabrics under large deformation. For thin fabrics, buckling can result in an inability to support compressive stresses; thus a flag is included for this option. A linearly elastic liner is also included which can be used to reduce the tendency for these elements to be crushed when the no-compression option is invoked. In LS-DYNA versions after 931 the isotropic elastic option is available.

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	EA	EB	EC	PRBA	PRCA	PRCB
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 2

Variable	GAB	GBC	GCA	CSE	EL	PRL	LRATIO	DAMP
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Remarks				1	2	2	2	

Card 3

Variable	AOPT	FLC/X2	FAC/X3	ELA	LNRC	FORM	FVOPT	TSRFAC
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Remarks		3	3		4	0	0	0

Card 4

Variable				A1	A2	A3	X0	X1
Type				F	F	F	F	F

Card 5

Variable	V1	V2	V3	D1	D2	D3	BETA	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

**Define if and only if FORM=4.**

Card 6

Variable	LCA	LCB	LCAB	LCUA	LCUB	LCUAB		
Type	I	I	I	I	I	I		

**VARIABLE****DESCRIPTION**

MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density.
EA	Young's modulus - longitudinal direction. For an isotropic elastic fabric material only EA and PRBA are defined and are used as the isotropic Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio, respectively. The input for the fiber directions and liner should be input as zero for the isotropic elastic fabric.
EB	Young's modulus - transverse direction, set to zero for isotropic elastic material.
(EC)	Young's modulus - normal direction, set to zero for isotropic elastic material. (Not used.)

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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
PRBA	$v_{ba}$ , Poisson's ratio ba direction.
(PRCA)	$v_{ca}$ , Poisson's ratio ca direction, set to zero for isotropic elastic material. (Not used.)
(PRCB)	$v_{cb}$ , Poisson's ratio cb direction, set to zero for isotropic elastic material. (Not used.)
GAB	$G_{ab}$ , shear modulus ab direction, set to zero for isotropic elastic material.
(GBC)	$G_{bc}$ , shear modulus bc direction, set to zero for isotropic elastic material. (Not used.)
(GCA)	$G_{ca}$ , shear modulus ca direction, set to zero for isotropic elastic material. (Not used.)
CSE	Compressive stress elimination option (default 0.0): EQ.0.0: don't eliminate compressive stresses, EQ.1.0: eliminate compressive stresses (This option does not apply to the liner).
EL	Young's modulus for elastic liner (optional).
PRL	Poisson's ratio for elastic liner (optional).
LRATIO	Ratio of liner thickness to total fabric thickness.
DAMP	Rayleigh damping coefficient. A 0.05 coefficient is recommended corresponding to 5% of critical damping. Sometimes larger values are necessary.
AOPT	Material axes option (see <i>MAT_OPTION</i> TROPIC_ELASTIC for a more complete description): EQ. 0.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by element nodes 1, 2, and 4, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_NODES. EQ. 2.0: globally orthotropic with material axes determined by vectors defined below, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_VECTOR. EQ. 3.0: locally orthotropic material axes determined by rotating the material axes about the element normal by an angle, BETA, from a line in the plane of the element defined by the cross product of the vector $\mathbf{v}$ with the element normal.

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VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
FLC/X2	<p>Define either of the optional constants FLC or X2 where FLC is the fabric leakage coefficient (if and only if <math>X0 = 0</math>) and X2 is a coefficient of the porosity equation of Anagonye and Wang [1999] (if and only if <math>X0 \neq 0, X0 \neq 1</math>).</p> <p>LT.0.0: There are two choices. If <math>X0 = 0</math>,  FLC  is the load curve ID of the curve defining FLC versus time. If <math>X0 = 1</math>,  FLC  is the load curve ID defining FLC versus the stretching ratio defined as <math>r_s = A/A_0</math>. See notes below.</p>
FAC/X3	<p>Define either of the optional constants FAC or X3 where FAC is the fabric area coefficient (if and only if <math>X0 = 0</math>), and X3 is a coefficient of the porosity equation of Anagonye and Wang [1999] (if and only if <math>X0 \neq 0, X0 \neq 1</math>).</p> <p>LT.0.0: There are two choices if <math>FVOPT &lt; 7</math>. If <math>X0 = 0</math>,  FAC  is the load curve ID of the curve defining FAC versus <u>absolute</u> pressure. If <math>X0 = 1</math>,  FAC  is the load curve ID defining FAC versus the pressure ratio defined as <math>r_p = P_{air} / P_{bag}</math>. See remark 3 below. If <math>FVOPT = 7/8</math>, FAC defines leakage volume rate versus pressure.</p>
ELA	<p>Effective leakage area for blocked fabric, ELA.</p> <p>LT.0.0:  ELA  is the load curve ID of the curve defining ELA versus time. The default value of zero assumes that no leakage occurs. A value of .10 would assume that 10% of the blocked fabric is leaking gas.</p>
LNRC	<p>Flag to turn off compression in liner until the reference geometry is reached, i.e., the fabric element becomes tensile.</p> <p>EQ.0.0: off. EQ.1.0: on.</p>
FORM	<p>Flag to modify membrane formulation for fabric material:</p> <p>EQ.0.0: default. Least costly and very reliable. EQ.1.0: invariant local membrane coordinate system EQ.2.0: Green-Lagrange strain formulation EQ.3.0: large strain with nonorthogonal material angles. See Remark 5. EQ.4.0: large strain with nonorthogonal material angles and nonlinear stress strain behavior. Define optional load curve IDs on optional card.</p>

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
FVOPT	<p>Fabric venting option.</p> <p>EQ. 1: Wang-Nefske formulas for venting through an orifice are used. Blockage is not considered.</p> <p>EQ. 2: Wang-Nefske formulas for venting through an orifice are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered.</p> <p>EQ. 3: Leakage formulas of Graefe, Krummheuer, and Siejak [1990] are used. Blockage is not considered.</p> <p>EQ. 4: Leakage formulas of Graefe, Krummheuer, and Siejak [1990] are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered.</p> <p>EQ. 5: Leakage formulas based on flow through a porous media are used. Blockage is not considered.</p> <p>EQ. 6: Leakage formulas based on flow through a porous media are used. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered.</p> <p>EQ. 7: Leakage is based on gas volume outflow versus pressure load curve [Lian, 2000]. Blockage is not considered.</p> <p>EQ. 8: Leakage is based on gas volume outflow versus pressure load curve [Lian, 2000]. Blockage of venting area due to contact is considered.</p>
TSRFAC	<p>Tensile stress cutoff reduction factor</p> <p>LT.0:  TSRFAC  is the load curve ID of the curve defining TSRFAC versus time.</p>
A1 A2 A3	Components of vector a for AOPT = 2.
X0,X1	<p>Coefficients of Anagonye and Wang [1999] porosity equation for the leakage area: <math>A_{leak} = A_0 (X_0 + X_1 r_s + X_2 r_p + X_3 r_s r_p)</math></p>
V1 V2 V3	Components of vector v for AOPT = 3.
D1 D2 D3	Components of vector d for AOPT = 2.
BETA	Material angle in degrees for AOPT = 3, may be overridden on the element card, see *ELEMENT_SHELL_BETA.
LCA	Load curve ID for stress versus strain along the a-axis fiber; available for FORM=4 only. If zero, EA is used.
LCB	Load curve ID for stress versus strain along the b-axis fiber; available for FORM=4 only. If zero, EB is used.
LCAB	Load curve ID for stress versus strain in the ab-plane; available for FORM=4 only. If zero, GAB is used.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
LCUA	Unload/reload curve ID for stress versus strain along the a-axis fiber; available for FORM=4 only. If zero, LCA is used.
LCUB	Unload/reload curve ID for stress versus strain along the b-axis fiber; available for FORM=4 only. If zero, LCB is used.
LCUAB	Unload/reload curve ID for stress versus strain in the ab-plane; available for FORM=4 only. If zero, LCAB is used.

**Remarks:**

1. The no compression option allows the simulation of airbag inflation with far less elements than would be needed for the discretization of the wrinkles which would occur for the case when compressive stresses are not eliminated.
2. When using this material for the analysis of membranes as airbags it is well known from classical theory that only one layer has to be defined. The so-called elastic liner has to be defined for numerical purposes only when the no compression option is invoked.
3. The parameters FLC and FAC are optional for the Wang-Nefske inflation models. It is possible for the airbag to be constructed of multiple fabrics having different values for porosity and permeability. The leakage of gas through the fabric in an airbag then requires an accurate determination of the areas by part ID available for leakage. The leakage area may change over time due to stretching of the airbag fabric or blockage when the bag contacts the structure. LS-DYNA can check the interaction of the bag with the structure and split the areas into regions that are blocked and unblocked depending on whether the regions are in or not in contact, respectively. Typically, FLC and FAC must be determined experimentally and their variation in time with pressure are optional to allow for maximum flexibility.
4. The elastic backing layer always acts in tension and compression since the tension cutoff option, CSE, does not apply. This can sometimes cause difficulties if the elements are very small in relationship to their actual size as defined by the reference geometry (See \*AIRBAG\_REFERENCE\_GEOMETRY.). If the flag, LNRC, is set to 1.0 the elastic liner does not begin to act until the area of defined by the reference geometry is reached.
5. For FORM=0, 1, and 2, the a-axis and b-axis fiber directions are assumed to be orthogonal and are completely defined by the material axes option, AOPT=0, 2, or 3. For FORM=3 or 4, the fiber directions are not assumed orthogonal and must be specified using the ICOMP=1 option on \*SECTION\_SHELL. Offset angles should be input into the B1 and B2 fields used normally for integration points 1 and 2. The a-axis and b-axis directions will then be offset from the a-axis direction as determined by the material axis option, AOPT=0, 2, or 3.
6. For FORM=4, nonlinear true stress versus true strain load curves may be defined for a-axis, b-axis, and shear stresses for loading and also for unloading and reloading. All

curves should start at the origin and be defined for positive strains only. The a-axis and b-axis stress follows the curves for tension only. For compression, stress is calculated from the constant values, EA or EB. Shear stress/strain behavior is assumed symmetric. If a load curve is omitted, the stress is calculated from the appropriate constant modulus, EA, EB, or GAB.

7. When both loading and unloading curves are defined, the initial yield strain is assumed to be equal to the strain at the first point in the load curve with stress greater than zero. When strain exceeds the yield strain, the stress continues to follow the load curve and the yield strain is updated to the current strain. When unloading occurs, the unload/reload curve is shifted along the x-axis until it intersects the load curve at the current yield strain. If the curve shift is to the right, unloading and reloading will follow the shifted unload/reload curve. If the curve shift is zero or to the left, unloading and reloading will occur along the load curve.
8. The FVOPT flag allows an airbag fabric venting equation to be assigned to an material. The anticipated use for this option is to allow a vent to be defined using FVOPT=1 or 2 for one material and fabric leakage to be defined for using FVOPT=3, 4, 5, or 6 for other materials. In order to use FVOPT, a venting option must first be defined for the airbag using the OPT parameter on \*AIRBAG\_WANG\_NEFSKE or \*AIRBAG\_HYBRID. If OPT=0, then FVOPT is ignored. If OPT is defined and FVOPT is omitted, then FVOPT is set equal to OPT.
9. The TSRFAC factor is used to assure that airbags that have a reference geometry will open to the correct geometry. Airbags that use a reference geometry might have an initial geometry that results in initial tensile strains. To prevent such strains from prematurely opening an airbag, these tensile strains are eliminated by default. A side effect of this behavior is that airbags that use a reference geometry and that are initially stretched will never achieve the correct shape. The TSRFAC factor is used to restore the tensile strains over time such that the correct geometry is achieved. It is recommend that a load curve be used to define TSRFAC as function of time. Initially the load curve ordinate value should be 0.0 which will allow the bag to remain unstressed. At a time when the bag is partially open, the value of (1.0-TSRFAC) can ramp down to 0.999 which will cause the initially stretched elements to shrink. Permissible values for TSRFAC is 0.0 to 0.001. At this latter value the tensile strains will be removed in 1000 time steps. Larger values than 0.001 may be used but instabilities may occur.



\*MAT\_BILKHU/DUBOIS\_FOAM

This is Material Type 75. This model is for the simulation of isotropic crushable forms. Uniaxial and triaxial test data are used to describe the behavior.

Card Format

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	YM	LCPY	LCUYS	VC	PC	VPC
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 2

Variable	TSC	VTSC	LCRATE	PR	KCON	ISFLG		
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F		

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density
YM	Young's modulus (E)
LCPY	Load curve ID giving pressure for plastic yielding versus volumetric strain, see Figure 22.75.1.
LCUYS	Load curve ID giving uniaxial yield stress versus volumetric strain, see Figure 22.75.1, all abscissa should be positive if only the results of a compression test are included, optionally the results of a tensile test can be added (corresponding to negative values of the volumetric strain), in the latter case PC, VPC, TC and VTC will be ignored
VC	Viscous damping coefficient (.05<recommended value<.50).
PC	Pressure cutoff. If zero, the default is set to one-tenth of $p_0$ , the yield pressure corresponding to a volumetric strain of zero.
VPC	Variable pressure cutoff as a fraction of pressure yield value. If non-zero this will override the pressure cutoff value PC.

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
TC	Tension cutoff for uniaxial tensile stress. Default is zero. A nonzero value is recommended for better stability.
VTC	Variable tension cutoff as a fraction of the uniaxial compressive yield strength, if non-zero this will override the tension cutoff value TC.
LCRATE	Load curve ID giving a scale factor for the previous yield curves, dependent upon the volumetric plastic strain.
PR	Poisson coefficient, which applies to both elastic and plastic deformations, must be smaller than 0.5
KCON	Stiffness coefficient for contact interface stiffness. If undefined one-third of Young's modulus, YM, is used. KCON is also considered in the element time step calculation; therefore, large values may reduce the element time step size.
ISFLG	Flag for tensile response (active only if negative abscissa are present in load curve LCUYS) EQ.0: load curve abscissa in tensile region correspond to volumetric strain EQ.1: load curve abscissa in tensile region correspond to effective strain

**Remarks:**

The logarithmic volumetric strain is defined in terms of the relative volume,  $V$ , as:

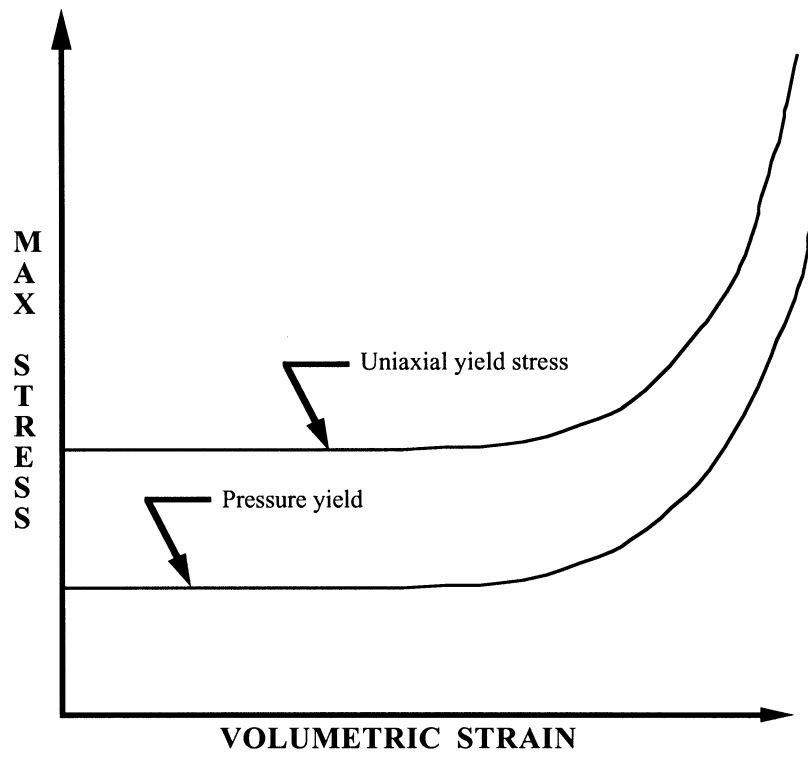
$$\gamma = -\ln(V)$$

If used (ISFLG-1), the effective strain is defined in the usual way:

$$\epsilon_{eff} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} \epsilon:\epsilon}$$

In defining the load curve LCPY the stress and strain pairs should be positive values starting with a volumetric strain value of zero.

The load curve LCUYS can optionally contain the results of the tensile test (corresponding to negative values of the volumetric strain), if so, then the load curve information will override PC, VPC, TC and VTC



**Figure 22.75.1.** Behavior of crushable foam. Unloading is elastic.

The yield surface is defined as an ellipse in the equivalent pressure and von Mises stress plane.

**\*MAT\_PLASTICITY\_WITH\_DAMAGE\_{OPTION}**

This is Material Types 81 and 82. An elasto-visco-plastic material with an arbitrary stress versus strain curve and arbitrary strain rate dependency can be defined. Damage is considered before rupture occurs. Also, failure based on a plastic strain or a minimum time step size can be defined.

Options include:

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**ORTHO**

**ORTHO\_RCDC**

Including ORTHO invokes an orthotropic damage model. It is implemented only for shell elements with multiple through thickness integration points and is an extension to include orthotropic damage as a means of treating failure in aluminum panels. Directional damage begins after a defined failure strain is reached in tension and continues to evolve until a tensile rupture strain is reached in either one of the two orthogonal directions. After rupture is detected at all integration points, the element is deleted. The option ORTHO\_RCDC invokes the damage model developed by Wilkins [Wilkins, et al., 1977]. A nonlocal formulation, which requires additional storage, is used if a characteristic length is defined.

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	SIGY	ETAN	EPPF	TDEL
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	none	none	none	none	none	0.0	10.E+20	10.E+20

Card 2

Variable	C	P	LCSS	LCSR	EPPFR	VP	LCDM	NUMINT
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	I
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Card 3

Variable	EPS1	EPS2	EPS3	EPS4	EPS5	EPS6	EPS7	EPS8
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Card 4

Variable	ES1	ES2	ES3	ES4	ES5	ES6	ES7	ES8
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Read the following card if the option ORTHO\_RCDC is active.

Card 5

Variable	ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	D0	B	LAMBDA	DS	L
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**VARIABLE****DESCRIPTION**

MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density.
E	Young's modulus.
PR	Poisson's ratio.
SIGY	Yield stress.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
ETAN	Tangent modulus, ignored if (LCSS.GT.0) is defined.
EPPF	Plastic strain, $f_s$ , at which material softening begins (logrithmic).
TDEL	Minimum time step size for automatic element deletion.
C	Strain rate parameter, C, see formula below.
P	Strain rate parameter, P, see formula below.
LCSS	Load curve ID or Table ID. Load curve ID defining effective stress versus effective plastic strain. If defined EPS1-EPS8 and ES1-ES8 are ignored. The table ID defines for each strain rate value a load curve ID giving the stress versus effective plastic strain for that rate, See Figure 22.24.1. The stress versus effective plastic strain curve for the lowest value of strain rate is used if the strain rate falls below the minimum value. Likewise, the stress versus effective plastic strain curve for the highest value of strain rate is used if the strain rate exceeds the maximum value. The strain rate parameters: C and P;
LCSR	Load curve ID defining strain rate scaling effect on yield stress.
ES1-ES8	Corresponding yield stress values to EPS1 - EPS8.
EPPFR	Plastic strain at which material ruptures (logrithmic).
VP	Formulation for rate effects: EQ.0.0: Scale yield stress (default), EQ.1.0: Viscoplastic formulation.
LCDM	Load curve ID defining nonlinear damage curve.
NUMINT	Number of through thickness integration points which must fail before the element is deleted. (If zero, all points must fail.) The default of all integration points is not recommended since elements undergoing large strain are often not deleted due to nodal fiber rotations which limit strains at active integration points after most points have failed. Better results are obtained if NUMINT is set to 1 or a number less than one half of the number of through thickness points. For example, if four through thickness points are used, NUMINT should not exceed 2, even for fully integrated shells which have 16 integration points.
EPS1-EPS8	Effective plastic strain values (optional if SIGY is defined). At least 2 points should be defined.

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
ALPHA	Parameter $\alpha$ . for the Rc-Dc model
BETA	Parameter $\beta$ . for the Rc-Dc model
GAMMA	Parameter $\gamma$ . for the Rc-Dc model
D0	Parameter $D_0$ . for the Rc-Dc model
B	Parameter $b$ . for the Rc-Dc model
LAMBDA	Parameter $\lambda$ . for the Rc-Dc model
DS	Parameter $D_s$ . for the Rc-Dc model
L	Optional characteristic element length for this material. We recommend that the default of 0 always be used, especially in parallel runs. If zero, nodal values of the damage function are used to compute the damage gradient. See discussion below.

### Remarks:

The stress strain behavior may be treated by a bilinear stress strain curve by defining the tangent modulus, ETAN. Alternately, a curve similar to that shown in Figure 22.10.1 is expected to be defined by (EPS1,ES1) - (EPS8,ES8); however, an effective stress versus effective plastic strain curve (LCSS) may be input instead if eight points are insufficient. The cost is roughly the same for either approach. The most general approach is to use the table definition (LCSS) discussed below.

Two options to account for strain rate effects are possible:

- I. Strain rate may be accounted for using the Cowper and Symonds model which scales the yield stress with the factor

$$1 + \left( \frac{\dot{\epsilon}}{C} \right)^{1/6}$$

where  $\dot{\epsilon}$  is the strain rate,  $\dot{\epsilon} = \sqrt{\dot{\epsilon}_{ij}\dot{\epsilon}_{ij}}$  .

If the viscoplastic option is active, VP=1.0, and if SIGY is > 0 then the dynamic yield stress is computed from the sum of the static stress,  $\sigma_y^s(\epsilon_{eff}^p)$ , which is typically given by a load curve ID, and the initial yield stress, SIGY, multiplied by the Cowper-Symonds rate term as follows:

$$\sigma_y(\epsilon_{eff}^p, \dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p) = \sigma_y^s(\epsilon_{eff}^p) + SIGY \cdot \left( \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p}{C} \right)^{1/p}$$

where the plastic strain rate is used. With this latter approach similar results can be obtained between this model and material model: \*MAT\_ANISOTROPIC\_VISCOPLASTIC. If SIGY=0, the following equation is used instead where the static stress,  $\sigma_y^s(\epsilon_{eff}^p)$ , must be defined by a load curve:

$$\sigma_y(\epsilon_{eff}^p, \dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p) = \sigma_y^s(\epsilon_{eff}^p) \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p}{C} \right)^{1/p} \right]$$

This latter equation is always used if the viscoplastic option is off.

II. For complete generality a load curve (LCSR) to scale the yield stress may be input instead. In this curve the scale factor versus strain rate is defined.

The constitutive properties for the damaged material are obtained from the undamaged material properties. The amount of damage evolved is represented by the constant,  $\omega$ , which varies from zero if no damage has occurred to unity for complete rupture. For uniaxial loading, the nominal stress in the damaged material is given by

$$\sigma_{nominal} = \frac{P}{A}$$

where P is the applied load and A is the surface area. The true stress is given by:

$$\sigma_{true} = \frac{P}{A - A_{loss}}$$

where  $A_{loss}$  is the void area. The damage variable can then be defined:

$$\omega = \frac{A_{loss}}{A} \quad 0 \leq \omega \leq 1$$

In this model damage is defined in terms of plastic strain after the failure strain is exceeded:

$$\omega = \frac{\epsilon_{eff}^p - \epsilon_{failure}^p}{\epsilon_{rupture}^p - \epsilon_{failure}^p} \quad \text{if } \epsilon_{failure}^p \leq \epsilon_{eff}^p \leq \epsilon_{rupture}^p$$

After exceeding the failure strain softening begins and continues until the rupture strain is reached.

The Rc-Dc model is defined as the following:

The damage D is given by



$$D = \int \omega_1 \omega_2 d\varepsilon^p$$

where  $\varepsilon^p$  is the equivalent plastic strain,

$$\omega_1 = \left( \frac{1}{1 - \gamma \sigma_m} \right)^\alpha$$

is a triaxial stress weighting term and

$$\omega_2 = (2 - A_D)^\beta$$

is a asymmetric strain weighting term. In the above  $\sigma_m$  is the mean stress and

$$A_D = \min \left( \left| \frac{S_2}{S_3} \right|, \left| \frac{S_3}{S_2} \right| \right)$$

Fracture is initiated when the accumulation of damage is

$$\frac{D}{D_c} > 1$$

where  $D_c$  is the a critical damage given by

$$D_c = D_0 \left( 1 + b |\nabla D|^2 \right)$$

A fracture fraction,

$$F = \frac{D - D_c}{D_s}$$

defines the degradations of the material by the Rc-Dc model.

For the Rc-Dc model the gradient of damage needs to be estimated. The damage is connected to the integration points, and, thus, the computation of the gradient requires some manipulation of the LS-DYNA source code. Provided that the damage is connected to nodes, it can be seen as a standard bilinear field and the gradient is easily obtained. To enable this, the damage at the integration points are transferred to the nodes as follows. Let  $E_n$  be the set of elements sharing node  $n$ ,  $|E_n|$  the number of elements in that set,  $P_e$  the set of integration points in element  $e$  and  $|P_e|$  the number of points in that set. The average damage  $\bar{D}_e$  in element  $e$  is computed as

$$\bar{D}_e = \frac{\sum_{p \in P_e} D_p}{|P_e|}$$

where  $D_p$  is the damage in integration point  $p$ . Finally, the damage value in node  $n$  is estimated as

$$D_n = \frac{\sum_{e \in E_n} \bar{D}_e}{|E_n|}.$$

This computation is performed in each time step and requires additional storage. Currently we use three times the total number of nodes in the model for this calculation, but this could be reduced by a considerable factor if necessary. There is an Rc-Dc option for the Gurson dilatational-plastic model. In the implementation of this model, the norm of the gradient is computed differently. Let  $E_f^l$  be the set of elements from within a distance  $l$  of element  $f$ , not including the element itself, and let  $|E_f^l|$  be the number of elements in that set. The norm of the gradient of damage is estimated roughly as

$$\|\nabla D\|_f \approx \frac{1}{|E_f^l|} \sum_{e \in E_f^l} \frac{|D_e - D_f|}{d_{ef}}$$

where  $d_{ef}$  is the distance between element  $f$  and  $e$ .

The reason for taking the first approach is that it should be a better approximation of the gradient, it can for one integration point in each element be seen as a weak gradient of an elementwise constant field. The memory consumption as well as computational work should not be much higher than for the other approach.

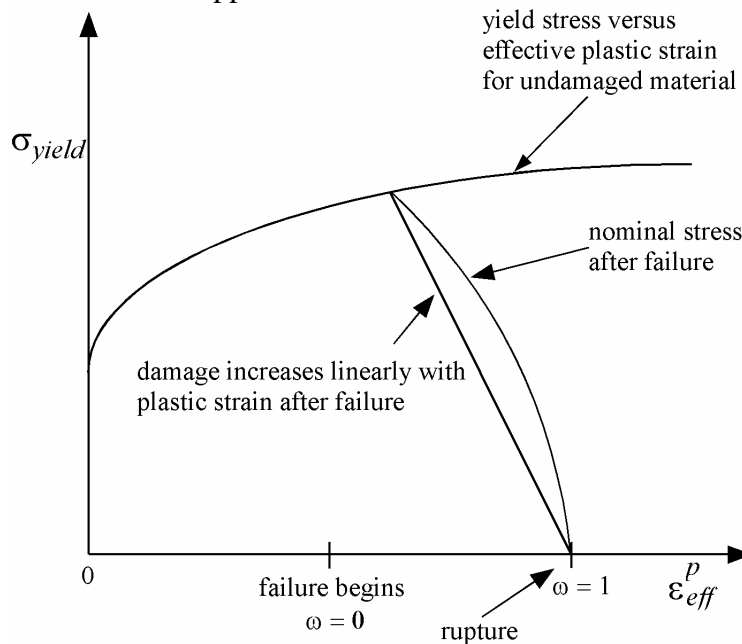
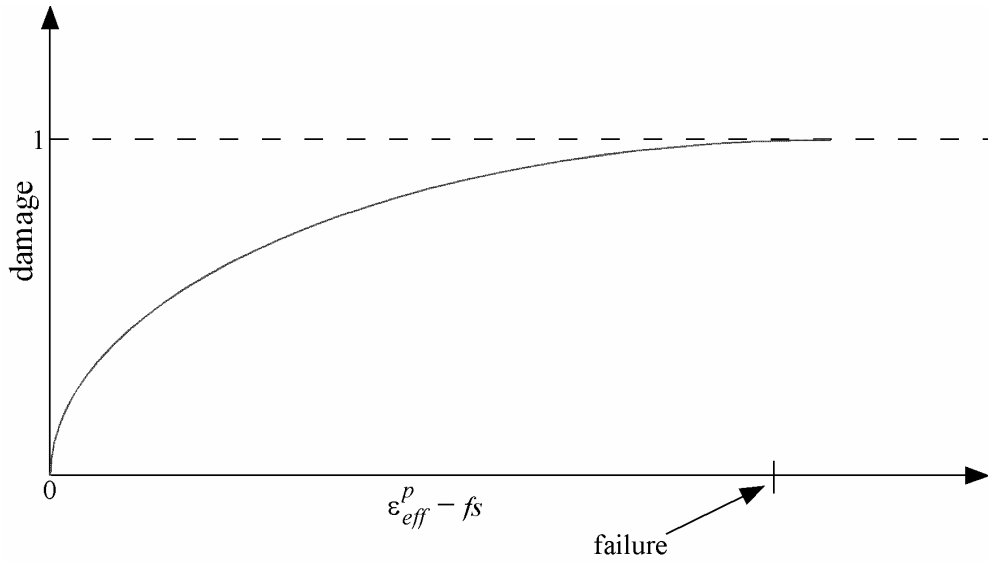


Figure 22.81-82.1. Stress strain behavior when damage is included.



**Figure 22.81-82.2.** A nonlinear damage curve is optional. Note that the origin of the curve is at (0,0). It is permissible to input the failure strain,  $fs$ , as zero for this option. The nonlinear damage curve is useful for controlling the softening behavior after the failure strain is reached.

**\*MAT\_SOFT\_TISSUE\_{OPTION}**

Options include:

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**VISCO**

This is Material Type 91 (*OPTION*=<BLANK>) or Material Type 92 (*OPTION*=VISCO). This material is a transversely isotropic hyperelastic model for representing biological soft tissues such as ligaments, tendons, and fascia. The representation provides an isotropic Mooney-Rivlin matrix reinforced by fibers having a strain energy contribution with the qualitative material behavior of collagen. The model has a viscoelasticity option which activates a six-term Prony series kernel for the relaxation function. In this case, the hyperelastic strain energy represents the elastic (long-time) response. See Weiss et al. [1996] and Puso and Weiss [1998] for additional details. The material is available for use with brick and shell elements. When used with shell elements, the Belytschko-Tsay formulation (#2) must be selected.

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	XK	XLAM	FANG	XLAM0	FAILSF	FAILSM	FAILSHR	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	AOPT	AX	AY	AZ	BX	BY	BZ	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

Card 4            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	LA1	LA2	LA3					
Type	F	F	F					

Define the following two cards only for the **VISCO** option:

Card 5            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 6            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density
C1 - C5	Hyperelastic coefficients (see equations below)
XK	Bulk Modulus
XLAM	Stretch ratio at which fibers are straightened
FANG	Fiber angle in local shell coordinate system (shells only)
XLAM0	Initial fiber stretch (optional)
FAILSF	Stretch ratio for ligament fibers at failure (applies to shell elements only). If zero, failure is not considered.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
FAILSM	Stretch ratio for surrounding matrix material at failure (applies to shell elements only). If zero, failure is not considered.
FAILSHR	Shear strain at failure at a material point (applies to shell elements only). If zero, failure is not considered. This failure value is independent of FAILSF and FAILSM.
AOPT	Material axes option, see Figure 22.2.2 (bricks only): EQ. 0.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by element nodes as shown in Figure 22.2.2. Nodes 1, 2, and 4 of an element are identical to the Nodes used for the definition of a coordinate system as by *DEFINE_COORDINATE_NODES. EQ. 1.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by a point in space and the global location of the element center, this is the a-direction. EQ. 2.0: globally orthotropic with material axes determined by vectors defined below, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_VECTOR.
AX, AY, AZ	First material axis point or vector (bricks only)
BX, BY, BZ	Second material axis point or vector (bricks only)
LAX, LAY, LAZ	Local fiber orientation vector (bricks only)
S1 - S6	Spectral strengths for Prony series relaxation kernel ( <i>OPTION=VISCO</i> )
T1 - T6	Characteristic times for Prony series relaxation kernel ( <i>OPTION=VISCO</i> )

**Remarks:**

The overall strain energy  $W$  is "uncoupled" and includes two isotropic deviatoric matrix terms, a fiber term  $F$ , and a bulk term:

$$W = C_1 \left( \tilde{I}_1 - 3 \right) + C_2 \left( \tilde{I}_2 - 3 \right) + F(\lambda) + \frac{1}{2} K \left[ \ln(J) \right]^2$$

Here,  $\tilde{I}_1$  and  $\tilde{I}_2$  are the deviatoric invariants of the right Cauchy deformation tensor,  $\lambda$  is the deviatoric part of the stretch along the current fiber direction, and  $J = \det \mathbf{F}$  is the volume ratio. The material coefficients  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are the Mooney-Rivlin coefficients, while  $K$  is the effective bulk modulus of the material (input parameter  $XX$ ).

The derivatives of the fiber term  $F$  are defined to capture the behavior of crimped collagen. The fibers are assumed to be unable to resist compressive loading - thus the model is isotropic when  $\lambda < 1$ . An exponential function describes the straightening of the fibers, while a linear function describes the behavior of the fibers once they are straightened past a critical fiber stretch level  $\lambda \geq \lambda^*$  (input parameter XLAM):

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 0 & \lambda < 1 \\ \frac{C_3}{\lambda} \left[ \exp(C_4(\lambda - 1)) - 1 \right] & \lambda < \lambda^* \\ \frac{1}{2}(C_5\lambda + C_6) & \lambda \geq \lambda^* \end{array} \right\}$$

Coefficients  $C_3$ ,  $C_4$ , and  $C_5$  must be defined by the user.  $C_6$  is determined by LS-DYNA to ensure stress continuity at  $\lambda = \lambda^*$ . Sample values for the material coefficients  $C_1 - C_5$  and  $\lambda^*$  for ligament tissue can be found in Quapp and Weiss [1998]. The bulk modulus  $K$  should be at least 3 orders of magnitude larger than  $C_1$  to ensure near-incompressible material behavior.

Viscoelasticity is included via a convolution integral representation for the time-dependent second Piola-Kirchoff stress  $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{C}, t)$ :

$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{C}, t) = \mathbf{S}^e(\mathbf{C}) + \int_0^t 2G(t-s) \frac{\partial W}{\partial \mathbf{C}(s)} ds$$

Here,  $\mathbf{S}^e$  is the elastic part of the second PK stress as derived from the strain energy, and  $G(t-s)$  is the reduced relaxation function, represented by a Prony series:

$$G(t) = \sum_{i=1}^6 S_i \exp\left(-\frac{t}{T_i}\right)$$

Puso and Weiss [1998] describe a graphical method to fit the Prony series coefficients to relaxation data that approximates the behavior of the continuous relaxation function proposed by Y-C. Fung, as quasilinear viscoelasticity.

### **Remarks on Input Parameters:**

Cards 1 through 4 must be included for both shell and brick elements, although for shells cards 3 and 4 are ignored and may be blank lines.

For shell elements, the fiber direction lies in the plane of the element. The local axis is defined by a vector between nodes n1 and n2, and the fiber direction may be offset from this axis by an angle FANG.

For brick elements, the local coordinate system is defined using the convention described previously for \*MAT\_ORTHOTROPIC\_ELASTIC. The fiber direction is oriented in the local system using input parameters LAX, LAY, and LAZ. By default, (LAX,LAY,LAZ) = (1,0,0) and the fiber is aligned with the local x-direction.

An optional initial fiber stretch can be specified using XLAM0. The initial stretch is applied during the first time step. This creates preload in the model as soft tissue contracts and equilibrium is established. For example, a ligament tissue "uncrimping strain" of 3% can be represented with initial stretch value of 1.03.

If the **VISCO** option is selected, at least one Prony series term (S1,T1) must be defined.



\*MAT\_SPOTWELD\_{*OPTION*}

This is Material Type 100. The material model applies to beam element type 9 and to solid element type 1 with type 6 hourglass control. The failure models apply to both beam and solid elements.

The beam elements, based on the Hughes-Liu beam formulation, may be placed between any two deformable shell surfaces and tied with constraint contact, \*CONTACT\_SPOTWELD, which eliminates the need to have adjacent nodes at spot weld locations. Beam spot welds may be placed between rigid bodies and rigid/deformable bodies by making the node on one end of the spot weld a rigid body node which can be an extra node for the rigid body, see \*CONSTRAINED\_EXTRA\_NODES\_OPTION. In the same way rigid bodies may also be tied together with this spot weld option. This weld option should not be used with rigid body switching. The foregoing advice is valid if solid element spot welds are used; however, since the solid elements have just three degrees-of-freedom at each node, \*CONTACT\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE must be used instead of \*CONTACT\_SPOTWELD.

In flat topologies the shell elements have an unconstrained drilling degree-of-freedom which prevents torsional forces from being transmitted. If the torsional forces are deemed to be important, brick elements should be used to model the spot welds.

Beam and solid element force resultants for MAT\_SPOTWELD are written to the spot weld force file, SWFORC, and the file for element stresses and resultants for designated elements, ELOUT.

**It is advisable to include all spot welds, which provide the slave nodes, and spot welded materials, which define the master segments, within a single \*CONTACT\_SPOTWELD interface for beam element spot welds or a \*CONTACT\_TIED\_SURFACE\_TO\_SURFACE interface for solid element spot welds.** As a constraint method these interfaces are treated independently which can lead to significant problems if such interfaces share common nodal points. An added benefit is that memory usage can be substantially less with a single interface.

Options include:

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**DAMAGE-FAILURE**

The DAMAGE-FAILURE option causes one additional line to be read with the damage parameter and a flag that determines how failure is computed from the resultants. On this line the parameter, RS, if nonzero, invokes damage mechanics combined with the plasticity model to achieve a smooth drop off of the resultant forces prior to the removal of the spotweld. The parameter OPT determines the method used in computing resultant based failure, which is unrelated to damage.

**Card Format**

Card 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	SIGY	ET	DT	TFAIL
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

**Define this card as Card 2 when the DAMAGE-FAILURE option is inactive. Card 3 is not defined**

Card 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	EFAIL	NRR	NRS	NRT	MRR	MSS	MTT	NF
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

**Define cards 2 and 3 below if the DAMAGE-FAILURE option is active. OPT=-1.0 and 0.0, Resultant based failure.**

Card 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	EFAIL	NRR	NRS	NRT	MRR	MSS	MTT	NF
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

**OPT=1.0, Stress based failure.**

Card 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	EFAIL	SIGAX	SIGTAU					NF
Type	F	F	F					F

**OPT=1.0, Stress based failure if strain rate effects are included**

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	EFAIL	-LCAX	-LCTAU					NF
Type	F	F	F					F

**OPT=2.0, User subroutine for failure**

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	EFAIL	USERV1	USERV2	USERV3	USERV4	USERV5	USERV6	NF
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

**OPT=3.0, 4.0, and 5.0**

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	EFAIL	ZD	ZT	ZALP1	ZALP2	ZALP3	ZRRAD	NF
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

**Card 3 is defined only for the DAMAGE-FAILURE option.**

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	RS	OPT	FVAL	TRUE_T				
Type	F	F	F	F				

**VARIABLE**

**DESCRIPTION**

MID            Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.

RO            Mass density.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
E	Young's modulus
PR	Poisson's ratio
SIGY	Initial yield stress
ET	Hardening modulus, $E_t$
DT	Time step size for mass scaling, $\Delta t$
TFAIL	Failure time if nonzero. If zero this option is ignored.
EFAIL	Effective plastic strain in weld material at failure. If the damage option is inactive, the spot weld element is deleted when the plastic strain at each integration point exceeds EFAIL. If the damage option is active, the plastic strain must exceed the rupture strain at each integration point before deletion occurs.
NRR	Axial force resultant $N_{rr_F}$ or maximum axial stress $\sigma_{rr}^F$ at failure depending on the value of OPT (see below). If zero, failure due to this component is not considered. If negative,  NRR  is the load curve ID defining the maximum axial stress at failure as a function of the effective strain rate.
NRS	Force resultant $N_{rs_F}$ or maximum shear stress $\tau^F$ at failure depending on the value of OPT (see below). If zero, failure due to this component is not considered. If negative,  NRS  is the load curve ID defining the maximum shear stress at failure as a function of the effective strain rate.
NRT	Force resultant $N_{rt_F}$ at failure. If zero, failure due to this component is not considered.
MRR	Torsional moment resultant $M_{rr_F}$ at failure. If zero, failure due to this component is not considered.
MSS	Moment resultant $M_{ss_F}$ at failure. If zero, failure due to this component is not considered.
MTT	Moment resultant $M_{tt_F}$ at failure. If zero, failure due to this component is not considered.
NF	Number of force vectors stored for filtering. The default value is set to zero which is generally recommended unless oscillatory resultant forces are observed in the time history databases. Even though these welds

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
	should not oscillate significantly, this option was added for consistency with the other spot weld options. NF affects the storage since it is necessary to store the resultant forces as history variables. When NF is nonzero, the resultants in the output databases are filtered.
SIGAX	Maximum axial stress $\sigma_{rr}^F$ at failure. If zero, failure due to this component is not considered.
SIGTAU	Maximum shear stress $\tau^F$ at failure. If zero, failure due to this component is not considered.
LCAX	Load curve ID defining the maximum axial stress at failure as a function of the effective strain rate. Input as a negative number.
LCTAU	Load curve ID defining the maximum shear stress at failure as a function of the effective strain rate. Input as a negative number.
USERV <sub>n</sub>	Failure constants for user failure subroutine, n=1,2,...6.
ZD	Notch diameter
ZT	Sheet thickness.
ZALP1	Correction factor alpha1
ZALP2	Correction factor alpha2
ZALP3	Correction factor alpha3
ZRRAD	Notch root radius (OPT=3.0 only).
RS	Rupture strain. Define if and only if damage is active.
OPT	Failure option: EQ.-2: same as option -1 but in addition, the peak value of the failure criteria and the time it occurs is stored and is written into the SWFORC database. This information may be necessary since the instantaneous values written at specified time intervals may miss the peaks. Additional storage is allocated to store this information. EQ.-1: resultant based failure criteria, <i>FC</i> , is computed based on the force and moment resultants and is written into the SWFORC file. <i>Failure is not allowed.</i> This allows easy identification of vulnerable spot welds in the post-processing. Failure is likely to occur if $FC > 1.0$ . Only the terms where the corresponding failure resultant is nonzero are included when FC is calculated. This option applies to both solid and beam elements.

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
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$$FC = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\max(N_{rr}, 0)}{N_{rrF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{N_{rs}}{N_{rsF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{N_{rt}}{N_{rtF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{M_{rr}}{M_{rrF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{M_{ss}}{M_{ssF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{M_{tt}}{M_{ttF}}\right)^2}$$

- EQ. 0: resultant based failure
- EQ. 1: stress based failure computed from resultants (Toyota)
- EQ. 2: user subroutine to determine failure
- EQ. 3: notch stress based failure (beam weld only)
- EQ. 4: stress intensity factor at failure (beam weld only)
- EQ. 5: structural stress at failure (beam weld only).
- EQ. 6: stress based failure computed from resultants (Toyota). In this option a shell strain rate dependent failure model is used (beam weld only). The static failure stresses are defined by part ID using the input given in the keyword definition \*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD\_RUPTURE\_STRESS input.
- EQ. 7: stress based failure for solid elements (Toyota) with peak stresses computed from resultants, and strength values input for pairs of parts, see \*DEFINE\_SPOTWELD\_FAILURE\_RESULTANTS. Strain rate effects are optional.

FVAL Failure parameter. If OPT:

- EQ.-2: Not used.
- EQ.-1: Not used.
- EQ. 0: Not used.
- EQ. 1: Not used.
- EQ. 2: Not used.
- EQ. 3: Notch stress value at failure ( $\sigma_{KF}$ ).
- EQ. 4: Stress intensity factor value at failure ( $K_{eqF}$ ).
- EQ. 5: Structural stress value at failure ( $\sigma_{sF}$ ).
- EQ. 6: Rupture filter number

TRUE\_T True weld thickness. This optional value is available for solid element failure by OPT=0,1,7, or -2. TRUE\_T is used to reduce the moment contribution from artificially thick weld elements so shear failure can be modeled more accurately.

**Remarks:**

The weld material is modeled with isotropic hardening plasticity coupled to four failure models. The first model specifies a failure strain which fails each integration point in the spot weld independently. The second model fails the entire weld if the resultants are outside of the failure surface defined by:

$$\left(\frac{\max(N_{rr}, 0)}{N_{rrF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{N_{rs}}{N_{rsF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{N_{rt}}{N_{rtF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{M_{rr}}{M_{rrF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{M_{ss}}{M_{ssF}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{M_{tt}}{M_{ttF}}\right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

where the *numerators* in the equation are the resultants calculated in the local coordinates of the cross section, and the **denominators** are the values specified in the input. If NF is nonzero the resultants are filtered before failure is checked. The stress based failure model, which was developed by *Toyota Motor Corporation* and is based on the peak axial and transverse shear stresses, fails the entire weld if the stresses are outside of the failure surface defined by

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{rr}}{\sigma_{rr}^F}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau^F}\right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

If strain rates are considered then the failure criteria becomes:

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{rr}}{\sigma_{rr}^F(\dot{\epsilon}_{eff})}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau^F(\dot{\epsilon}_{eff})}\right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

where  $\sigma_{rr}^F(\dot{\epsilon}_{eff})$  and  $\tau^F(\dot{\epsilon}_{eff})$  are defined by load curves. The peak stresses are calculated from the resultants using simple beam theory.

$$\sigma_{rr} = \frac{N_{rr}}{A} + \frac{\sqrt{M_{rs}^2 + M_{rt}^2}}{Z} \quad \tau = \frac{M_{rr}}{2Z} + \frac{\sqrt{N_{rs}^2 + N_{rt}^2}}{A}$$

where the area and section modulus are given by:

$$A = \pi \frac{d^2}{4}$$

$$Z = \pi \frac{d^3}{32}$$

and  $d$  is either the diameter of the spotweld beam or the square root of the area divided by pi of the face of a solid element used as a spotweld. The last failure model is a user-written subroutine *uweldfail*, documented in Appendix N.

The failure based on notch stress, see Zhang [1999], occurs when the failure criterion:

$$\sigma_k - \sigma_{kF} \geq 0$$

is satisfied. The notch stress is give by the equation:

$$\sigma_k = \alpha_1 \frac{4F}{\pi dt} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{19}}{8\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{t}{\rho}}\right) + \alpha_2 \frac{6M}{\pi dt^2} \left(1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{t}{\rho}}\right) + \alpha_3 \frac{4F_{rr}}{\pi d^2} \left(1 + \frac{5}{3\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{d}{t} \sqrt{\frac{t}{\rho}}\right)$$

Here,

$$F = \sqrt{F_{rs}^2 + F_{rt}^2}$$

$$M = \sqrt{M_{ss}^2 + M_{tt}^2}$$

and  $\alpha_i$   $i=1,2,3$  are input corrections factors with default values of unity. If spot welds are between sheets of unequal thickness, the minimum thickness of the spot welded sheets may be introduced as a crude approximation.

The failure based on structural stress intensity occurs, see Zhang [1999], when the failure criterion:

$$K_{eq} - K_{eqF} \geq 0$$

is satisfied where

$$K_{eq} = \sqrt{K_I^2 + K_{II}^2}$$

and

$$K_I = \alpha_1 \frac{\sqrt{3}F}{2\pi d\sqrt{t}} + \alpha_2 \frac{2\sqrt{3}M}{\pi dt\sqrt{t}} + \alpha_3 \frac{5\sqrt{2}F_{rr}}{3\pi d\sqrt{t}}$$

$$K_{II} = \alpha_1 \frac{2F}{\pi d\sqrt{t}}$$

Here, F and M are as defined above for the notch stress formulas and again,  $\alpha_i$   $i=1,2,3$  are input corrections factors with default values of unity. If spotwelds are between sheets of unequal thickness, the minimum thickness of the spot welded sheets may be used as a crude approximation.

The maximum structural stress at the spot weld was utilized successfully for predicting the fatigue failure of spotwelds, see Rupp, et. al. [1994] and Sheppard [1993]. The corresponding results according to Rupp, et. al. are listed below where it is assumed that they may be suitable for crash conditions.

The failure criterion is given by:

$$\max(\sigma_{v1}, \sigma_{v2}, \sigma_{v3}) - \sigma_{sF} = 0$$

where  $\sigma_{sF}$  is the critical value of structural stress at failure. It is noted that the forces and moments in the equations below are referred to the beam nodes 1, 2, and to the midpoint, respectively. The three stress values,  $\sigma_{v1}, \sigma_{v2}, \sigma_{v3}$ , are defined by:

$$\sigma_{v1}(\zeta) = \frac{F_{rs1}}{\pi dt_1} \cos \zeta + \frac{F_{rt1}}{\pi dt_1} \sin \zeta - \frac{1.046\beta_1 F_{rr1}}{t_1\sqrt{t_1}} - \frac{1.123M_{ss1}}{dt_1\sqrt{t_1}} \sin \zeta + \frac{1.123M_{tt1}}{dt_1\sqrt{t_1}} \cos \zeta \text{ with}$$



$$\beta_1 = 0 \text{ if } F_{rr1} \leq 0$$

$$\beta_1 = 1 \text{ if } F_{rr1} > 0$$

$$\sigma_{v2}(\zeta) = \frac{F_{rs2}}{\pi dt_2} \cos \zeta + \frac{F_{rt2}}{\pi dt_2} \sin \zeta - \frac{1.046\beta_1 F_{rr2}}{t_2 \sqrt{t_2}} + \frac{1.123M_{ss2}}{dt_2 \sqrt{t_2}} \sin \zeta - \frac{1.123M_{tt2}}{dt_2 \sqrt{t_2}} \cos \zeta \quad \text{with}$$

$$\beta_2 = 0 \text{ if } F_{rr2} \leq 0$$

$$\beta_2 = 1 \text{ if } F_{rr2} > 0$$

$$\sigma_{v3}(\zeta) = 0.5\sigma(\zeta) + 0.5\sigma(\zeta)\cos(2\alpha) + 0.5\tau(\zeta)\sin(2\alpha)$$

where

$$\sigma(\zeta) = \frac{4\beta_3 F_{rr}}{\pi d^2} + \frac{32M_{ss}}{\pi d^3} \sin \zeta - \frac{32M_{tt}}{\pi d^3} \cos \zeta$$

$$\tau(\zeta) = \frac{16F_{rs}}{3\pi d^2} \sin^2 \zeta + \frac{16F_{rt}}{3\pi d^2} \cos^2 \zeta \quad \text{with } \begin{matrix} \beta_3 = 0 \text{ if } F_{rr} \leq 0 \\ \beta_3 = 1 \text{ if } F_{rr} > 0 \end{matrix}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \frac{2\tau(\zeta)}{\sigma(\zeta)}$$

The stresses are calculated for all directions,  $0^\circ \leq \zeta \leq 90^\circ$ , in order to find the maximum.

If the failure strain is set to zero, the failure strain model is not used. In a similar manner, when the value of a resultant at failure is set to zero, the corresponding term in the failure surface is ignored. For example, if only  $N_{rrF}$  is nonzero, the failure surface is reduced to  $|N_{rr}| = N_{rrF}$ . None, either, or both of the failure models may be active depending on the specified input values.

The inertias of the spot welds are scaled during the first time step so that their stable time step size is  $\Delta t$ . A strong compressive load on the spot weld at a later time may reduce the length of the spot weld so that stable time step size drops below  $\Delta t$ . If the value of  $\Delta t$  is zero, mass scaling is not performed, and the spotwelds will probably limit the time step size. Under most circumstances, the inertias of the spot welds are small enough that scaling them will have a negligible effect on the structural response and the use of this option is encouraged.

Spotweld force history data is written into the SWFORC ascii file. In this database the resultant moments are not available, but they are in the binary time history database and in the ASCII elout file.

The constitutive properties for the damaged material are obtained from the undamaged material properties. The amount of damage evolved is represented by the constant,  $\omega$ , which varies from zero if no damage has occurred to unity for complete rupture. For uniaxial loading, the nominal stress in the damaged material is given by

$$\sigma_{nominal} = \frac{P}{A}$$

where P is the applied load and A is the surface area. The true stress is given by:

$$\sigma_{true} = \frac{P}{A - A_{loss}}$$

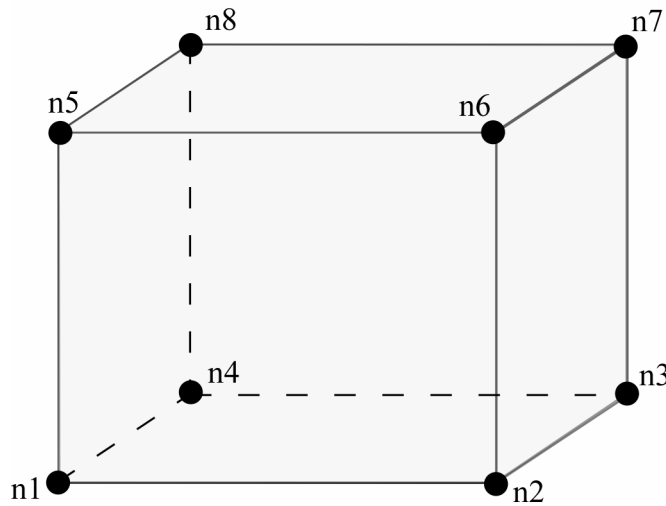
where  $A_{loss}$  is the void area. The damage variable can then be defined:

$$\omega = \frac{A_{loss}}{A} \quad 0 \leq \omega \leq 1$$

In this model damage is defined in terms of plastic strain after the failure strain is exceeded:

$$\omega = \frac{\epsilon_{eff}^p - \epsilon_{failure}^p}{\epsilon_{rupture}^p - \epsilon_{failure}^p} \quad \text{if} \quad \epsilon_{failure}^p \leq \epsilon_{eff}^p \leq \epsilon_{rupture}^p$$

After exceeding the failure strain softening begins and continues until the rupture strain is reached.



**Figure 22.100.1.** A solid element used as spotweld is shown. When resultant based failure is used orientation is very important. Nodes n1-n4 attach to the lower shell mid-surface and nodes n5-n8 attach to the upper shell mid-surface. The resultant forces and moments are computed based on the assumption that the brick element is properly oriented.

\*MAT\_ANISOTROPIC\_VISCOPLASTIC

This is Material Type 103. This anisotropic-viscoplastic material model applies to shell and brick elements. The material constants may be fit directly or, if desired, stress versus strain data may be input and a least squares fit will be performed by LS-DYNA to determine the constants. Kinematic or isotropic or a combination of kinematic and isotropic hardening may be used. A detailed description of this model can be found in the following references: Berstad, Langseth, and Hopperstad [1994]; Hopperstad and Remseth [1995]; and Berstad [1996]. Failure is based on effective plastic strain or by a user defined subroutine.

Card Format

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	SIGY	FLAG	LCSS	ALPHA
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	QR1	CR1	QR2	CR2	QX1	CX1	QX2	CX2
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	VK	VM	R00 or F	R45 or G	R90 or H	L	M	N
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 4            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	AOPT	FAIL	NUMINT					
Type	F	F	F					

Card 5

Variable	XP	YP	ZP	A1	A2	A3		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 6

Variable	V1	V2	V3	D1	D2	D3	BETA	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
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MID                      Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.

RO                        Mass density.

E                         Young's modulus

PR                        Poisson's ratio

SIGY                     Initial yield stress

FLAG                    Flag

EQ.0: Give all material parameters

EQ.1: Material parameters are fit in LS-DYNA to Load curve or Table given below. The parameters  $Q_{r1}$ ,  $C_{r1}$ ,  $Q_{r2}$ , and  $C_{r2}$  for isotropic hardening are determined by the fit and those for kinematic hardening are found by scaling those for isotropic hardening by  $(1 - \alpha)$  where  $\alpha$  is defined below in columns 51-60.

EQ.2: Use load curve directly, i.e., no fitting is required for the parameters  $Q_{r1}$ ,  $C_{r1}$ ,  $Q_{r2}$ , and  $C_{r2}$ .

LCSS                    Load curve ID or Table ID. The load curve ID defines effective stress versus effective plastic strain. Card 2 is ignored with this option. The table ID, see Figure 22.24.1, defines for each strain rate value a load curve ID giving the stress versus effective plastic strain for that rate. If the load curve only is used, then the coefficients  $V_k$  and  $V_m$  must be given if viscoplastic behavior is desired. If a Table ID is given these coefficients are determined internally during initialization.

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
ALPHA	$\alpha$ distribution of hardening used in the curve-fitting. $\alpha = 0$ pure kinematic hardening and $\alpha = 1$ provides pure isotropic hardening
QR1	Isotropic hardening parameter $Q_{r1}$
CR1	Isotropic hardening parameter $C_{r1}$
QR2	Isotropic hardening parameter $Q_{r2}$
CR2	Isotropic hardening parameter $C_{r2}$
QX1	Kinematic hardening parameter $Q_{\chi1}$
CX1	Kinematic hardening parameter $C_{\chi1}$
QX2	Kinematic hardening parameter $Q_{\chi2}$
CX2	Kinematic hardening parameter $C_{\chi2}$
VK	Viscous material parameter $V_k$
VM	Viscous material parameter $V_m$
R00	$R_{00}$ for shell (Default=1.0)
R45	$R_{45}$ for shell (Default=1.0)
R90	$R_{90}$ for shell (Default=1.0)
F	$F$ for brick (Default =1/2)
G	$G$ for brick (Default =1/2)
H	$H$ for brick (Default =1/2)
L	$L$ for brick (Default =3/2)
M	$M$ for brick (Default =3/2)
N	$N$ for brick (Default =3/2)

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
AOPT	<p>Material axes option (see MAT_OPTION TROPIC_ELASTIC for a more complete description):</p> <p>EQ. 0.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by element nodes 1, 2, and 4, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_NODES.</p> <p>EQ. 1.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by a point in space and the global location of the element center; this is the <math>\mathbf{a}</math>-direction. This option is for solid elements only.</p> <p>EQ. 2.0: globally orthotropic with material axes determined by vectors defined below, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_VECTOR.</p> <p>EQ. 3.0: locally orthotropic material axes determined by rotating the material axes about the element normal by an angle, BETA, from a line in the plane of the element defined by the cross product of the vector <math>\mathbf{v}</math> with the element normal.</p> <p>EQ. 4.0: locally orthotropic in cylindrical coordinate system with the material axes determined by a vector <math>\mathbf{v}</math>, and an originating point, P, which define the centerline axis. This option is for solid elements only.</p>
FAIL	<p>Failure flag.</p> <p>LT.0.0: User defined failure subroutine is called to determine failure. This is subroutine named, MATUSR_103, in DYN21.F.</p> <p>EQ.0.0: Failure is not considered. This option is recommended if failure is not of interest since many calculations will be saved.</p> <p>GT.0.0: Plastic strain to failure. When the plastic strain reaches this value, the element is deleted from the calculation.</p>
NUMINT	<p>Number of integration points which must fail before element deletion. If zero, all points must fail. This option applies to shell elements only. For the case of one point shells, NUMINT should be set to a value that is less than the number of through thickness integration points. Nonphysical stretching can sometimes appear in the results if all integration points have failed except for one point away from the midsurface. This is due to the fact that unconstrained nodal rotations will prevent strains from developing at the remaining integration point. In fully integrated shells, similar problems can occur.</p>
XP,YP,ZP	<p><math>x_p</math> <math>y_p</math> <math>z_p</math>, define coordinates of point <math>\mathbf{p}</math> for AOPT = 1 and 4.</p>
A1,A2,A3	<p><math>a_1</math> <math>a_2</math> <math>a_3</math>, define components of vector <math>\mathbf{a}</math> for AOPT = 2.</p>
D1,D2,D3	<p><math>d_1</math> <math>d_2</math> <math>d_3</math>, define components of vector <math>\mathbf{d}</math> for AOPT = 2.</p>

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
V1,V2,V3	$v_1 v_2 v_3$ , define components of vector $\mathbf{v}$ for AOPT = 3 and 4.
BETA	Material angle in degrees for AOPT = 3, may be overridden on the element card, see *ELEMENT_SHELL_BETA or *ELEMENT_SOLID_ORTHO.

**Remarks:**

The uniaxial stress-strain curve is given on the following form

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\epsilon_{eff}^p, \dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p) = & \sigma_0 + Q_{r1}(1 - \exp(-C_{r1}\epsilon_{eff}^p)) + Q_{r2}(1 - \exp(-C_{r2}\epsilon_{eff}^p)) \\ & + Q_{\chi1}(1 - \exp(-C_{\chi1}\epsilon_{eff}^p)) + Q_{\chi2}(1 - \exp(-C_{\chi2}\epsilon_{eff}^p)) \\ & + V_k \dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p V_m \end{aligned}$$

For bricks the following yield criteria is used

$$\begin{aligned} F(\sigma_{22} - \sigma_{33})^2 + G(\sigma_{33} - \sigma_{11})^2 + H(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{22})^2 \\ + 2L\sigma_{23}^2 + 2M\sigma_{31}^2 + 2N\sigma_{12}^2 = \sigma(\epsilon_{eff}^p, \dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\epsilon_{eff}^p$  is the effective plastic strain and  $\dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p$  is the effective plastic strain rate. For shells the anisotropic behavior is given by  $R_{00}$ ,  $R_{45}$  and  $R_{90}$ . The model will work when the three first parameters in card 3 are given values. When  $V_k = 0$  the material will behave elasto-plastically. Default values are given by:

$$F = G = H = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$L = M = N = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$R_{00} = R_{45} = R_{90} = 1$$

Strain rate of accounted for using the Cowper and Symonds model which, e.g., model 3, scales the yield stress with the factor:

$$1 + \left( \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_{eff}^p}{C} \right)^{1/p}$$

To convert these constants set the viscoelastic constants,  $V_k$  and  $V_m$ , to the following values:

$$V_k = \sigma \left( \frac{1}{C} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$V_m = \frac{1}{p}$$

This model properly treats rate effects. The viscoplastic rate formulation is an option in other plasticity models in LS-DYNA, e.g., mat\_3 and mat\_24, invoked by setting the parameter VP to 1.



**\*MAT\_MODIFIED\_PIECEWISE\_LINEAR\_PLASTICITY\_{OPTION}**

This is Material Type 123. An elasto-plastic material with an arbitrary stress versus strain curve and arbitrary strain rate dependency can be defined. This model is currently available for shell elements only. Another model, MAT\_PIECEWISE\_LINEAR\_PLASTICITY, is similar but lacks the enhanced failure criteria. Failure is based on effective plastic strain, plastic thinning, the major principal in plane strain component, or a minimum time step size. See the discussion under the model description for MAT\_PIECEWISE\_LINEAR\_PLASTICITY if more information is desired.

One option is available for rate dependence of the plastic thinning failure:

**RATE**

such that the keyword card appear:

**\* MAT\_MODIFIED\_PIECEWISE\_LINEAR\_PLASTICITY\_RATE**

One additional card is needed with this option.

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	SIGY	ETAN	FAIL	TDEL
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	none	none	none	none	none	0.0	10.E+20	0

Card 2

Variable	C	P	LCSS	LCSR	VP	EPSTHIN	EPSMAJ	NUMINT
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Card 3

Variable	EPS1	EPS2	EPS3	EPS4	EPS5	EPS6	EPS7	EPS8
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Card 4

Variable	ES1	ES2	ES3	ES4	ES5	ES6	ES7	ES8
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Card 5 is required if and only if the RATE option is active.**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	LCTSRF							
Type	I							
Default	0							

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density.
E	Young's modulus.
PR	Poisson's ratio.
SIGY	Yield stress.

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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
ETAN	Tangent modulus, ignored if (LCSS.GT.0) is defined.
FAIL	Failure flag. LT.0.0: User defined failure subroutine is called to determine failure EQ.0.0: Failure is not considered. This option is recommended if failure is not of interest since many calculations will be saved. GT.0.0: Plastic strain to failure. When the plastic strain reaches this value, the element is deleted from the calculation.
TDEL	Minimum time step size for automatic element deletion.
C	Strain rate parameter, C, see formula below.
P	Strain rate parameter, P, see formula below.
LCSS	Load curve ID or Table ID. Load curve ID defining effective stress versus effective plastic strain. If defined EPS1-EPS8 and ES1-ES8 are ignored. The table ID defines for each strain rate value a load curve ID giving the stress versus effective plastic strain for that rate, See Figure 22.24.1. The stress versus effective plastic strain curve for the lowest value of strain rate is used if the strain rate falls below the minimum value. Likewise, the stress versus effective plastic strain curve for the highest value of strain rate is used if the strain rate exceeds the maximum value. The strain rate parameters: C and P, the curve ID, LCSR, EPS1-EPS8, and ES1-ES8 are ignored if a Table ID is defined.
LCSR	Load curve ID defining strain rate scaling effect on yield stress.
VP	Formulation for rate effects (Currently not used with this model)
EPSTHIN	Thinning plastic strain at failure. This number should be given as a positive number.
EPSMAJ	Major in plane strain at failure. LT.0: EPSMAJ= EPSMAJ  and filtering is activated. The last twelve values of the major strain is stored at each integration point and the average value is used to determine failure.
NUMINT	Number of through thickness integration points which must fail before the element is deleted. (If zero, all points must fail.)

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
EPS1-EPS8	Effective plastic strain values (optional if SIGY is defined). At least 2 points should be defined. The first point must be zero corresponding to the initial yield stress. WARNING: If the first point is nonzero the yield stress is extrapolated to determine the initial yield. If this option is used SIGY and ETAN are ignored and may be input as zero.
ES1-ES8	Corresponding yield stress values to EPS1 - EPS8.
LCTSRF	Load curve that defines the thinning plastic strain at failure as a function of the plastic strain rate.

\*MAT\_PLASTICITY\_COMPRESSION\_TENSION

This is Material Type 124. An isotropic elastic-plastic material where unique yield stress versus plastic strain curves can be defined for compression and tension. Also, failure can occur based on a plastic strain or a minimum time step size. Rate effects on the yield stress are modeled either by using the Cowper-Symonds strain rate model or by using two load curves that scale the yield stress values in compression and tension, respectively. Material rate effects, which are independent of the plasticity model, are based on a 6-term Prony series Maxwell mode that generates an additional stress tensor. The viscous stress tensor is superimposed on the stress tensor generated by the plasticity.

Card Format

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	C	P	FAIL	TDEL
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	none	none	none	none	0	0	10.E+20	0

Card 2

Variable	LCIDC	LCIDT	LCSRC	LCSRT	SRFLAG			
Type	I	I	I	I	F			
Default	0	0	0	0	0			

Card 3

Variable	PC	PT	PCUTC	PCUTT	PCUTF			
Type	F	F	F	F	F			
Default	0	0	0	0	0			

Card 4	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	K							
Type	F							

**Card Format for viscoelastic constants. Up to 6 cards may be input. A keyword card (with a “\*” in column 1) terminates this input if less than 6 cards are used.**

Optional Cards	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	GI	BETAI						
Type	F	F						

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density.
E	Young’s modulus.
PR	Poisson’s ratio.
C	Strain rate parameter, C, see formula below.
P	Strain rate parameter, P, see formula below.
FAIL	Failure flag. LT.0.0: User defined failure subroutine is called to determine failure EQ.0.0: Failure is not considered. This option is recommended if failure is not of interest since many calculations will be saved. GT.0.0: Plastic strain to failure. When the plastic strain reaches this value, the element is deleted from the calculation.
TDEL	Minimum time step size for automatic element deletion.
LCIDC	Load curve ID defining yield stress versus effective plastic strain in compression.

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
LCIDT	Load curve ID defining yield stress versus effective plastic strain in tension.
LCSRC	Optional load curve ID defining strain rate scaling effect on yield stress when the material is in compression.
LCSRT	Optional load curve ID defining strain rate scaling effect on yield stress when the material is in tension.
SRFLAG	Formulation for rate effects: EQ.0.0: Total strain rate, EQ.1.0: Deviatoric strain rate.
PC	Compressive mean stress (pressure) at which the yield stress follows load curve ID, LCIDC. If the pressure falls between PC and PT a weighted average of the two load curves is used.
PT	Tensile mean stress at which the yield stress follows load curve ID, LCIDT.
PCUTC	Pressure cut-off in compression.
PCUTT	Pressure cut-off in tension.
PCUTF	Pressure cut-off flag. EQ.0.0: Inactive, EQ.1.0: Active.
K	Optional bulk modulus for the viscoelastic material. If nonzero a Kelvin type behavior will be obtained. Generally, K is set to zero.
GI	Optional shear relaxation modulus for the ith term
BETAI	Optional shear decay constant for the ith term

**Remarks:**

The stress strain behavior follows a different curve in compression than it does in tension. Compression. Tension is determined by the sign of the mean stress where a positive mean stress (i.e., a negative pressure) is indicative of tension. Two curves must be defined giving the yield stress versus effective plastic strain for both the tension and compression regimes.

Strain rate may be accounted for using the Cowper and Symonds model which scales the yield stress with the factor

$$1 + \left( \frac{\dot{\epsilon}}{C} \right)^{1/p}$$

where  $\dot{\epsilon}$  is the strain rate.  $\dot{\epsilon} = \sqrt{\dot{\epsilon}_{ij} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij}}$ .



\*MAT\_MODIFIED\_HONEYCOMB

This is Material Type 126. The major use of this material model is for aluminum honeycomb crushable foam materials with anisotropic behavior. Three yield surfaces are available. In the first, nonlinear elastoplastic material behavior can be defined separately for all normal and shear stresses, which are considered to be fully uncoupled. In the second, a yield surface is defined that considers the effects of off-axis loading. The second yield surface is transversely anisotropic. A drawback of this second yield surface is that the material can collapse in a shear mode due to low shear resistance. There was no obvious way of increasing the shear resistance without changing the behavior in purely uniaxial compression. Therefore, in the third option, the model has been modified so that the user can prescribe the shear and hydrostatic resistance in the material without affecting the uniaxial behavior. The choice of the second yield surface is flagged by the sign of the first load curve ID, LCA. The third yield surface is flagged by the sign of ECCU, which becomes the initial stress yield limit in simple shear. A description is given below.

The development of the second and third yield surfaces are based on experimental test results of aluminum honeycomb specimens at Toyota Motor Corporation.

The default element for this material is solid type 0, a nonlinear spring type brick element. *The recommended hourglass control is the type 2 viscous formulation for one point integrated solid elements. The stiffness form of the hourglass control when used with this constitutive model can lead to nonphysical results since strain localization in the shear modes can be inhibited.*

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	SIGY	VF	MU	BULK
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	none	None	None	none	none	none	.05	0.0

Card 2

Variable	LCA	LCB	LCC	LCS	LCAB	LCBC	LCCA	LCSR
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	none	LCA	LCA	LCA	LCS	LCS	LCS	optional

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	EAAU	EBBU	ECCU	GABU	GBCU	GCAU	AOPT	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 4

Variable	XP	YP	ZP	A1	A2	A3		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 5

Variable	D1	D2	D3	TSEF	SSEF	VREF	TREF	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density.
E	Young's modulus for compacted honeycomb material.
PR	Poisson's ratio for compacted honeycomb material.
SIGY	Yield stress for fully compacted honeycomb.
VF	Relative volume at which the honeycomb is fully compacted. This parameter is ignored for corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9.
MU	$\mu$ , material viscosity coefficient. (default=.05) Recommended.
BULK	Bulk viscosity flag: EQ.0.0: bulk viscosity is not used. This is recommended. EQ.1.0: bulk viscosity is active and $\mu=0$ This will give results identical to previous versions of LS-DYNA.

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<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
LCA	Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE: LCA.LT.0: Yield stress as a function of the angle off the material axis in degrees. LCA.GT.0: sigma-aa versus normal strain component aa. For the corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, engineering strain is expected, but for all other solid element formulations a logarithmic strain is expected. See notes below.
LCB	Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE: LCA.LT.0: strong axis hardening stress as a function of the volumetric strain. LCA.GT.0: sigma-bb versus normal strain component bb. For the corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, engineering strain is expected, but for all other solid element formulations a logarithmic strain is expected. Default LCB=LCA. See notes below.
LCC	Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE: LCA.LT.0: weak axis hardening stress as a function of the volumetric strain. LCA.GT.0: sigma-cc versus normal strain component cc. For the corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, engineering strain is expected, but for all other solid element formulations a logarithmic strain is expected. Default LCC=LCA. See notes below.
LCS	Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE: LCA.LT.0: damage curve giving shear stress multiplier as a function of the shear strain component. This curve definition is optional and may be used if damage is desired. LCA.GT.0: shear stress versus shear strain. For the corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, engineering strain is expected, but for all other solid element formulations a shear strain based on the deformed configuration is used. Default LCS=LCA. Each component of shear stress may have its own load curve. See notes below.
LCAB	Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE. Default LCAB=LCS: LCA.LT.0: damage curve giving shear ab-stress multiplier as a function of the ab-shear strain component. This curve definition is optional and may be used if damage is desired. LCA.GT.0: sigma-ab versus shear strain-ab. For the corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, engineering strain is expected, but for all other solid element formulations a shear strain based on the deformed configuration is used. See notes below.
LCBC	Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE. Default LCBC=LCS:

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VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
	<p>LCA.LT.0: damage curve giving bc-shear stress multiplier as a function of the ab-shear strain component. This curve definition is optional and may be used if damage is desired.</p> <p>LCA.GT.0: sigma-bc versus shear strain-bc. For the corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, engineering strain is expected, but for all other solid element formulations a shear strain based on the deformed configuration is used. See notes below.</p>
LCCA	<p>Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE. Default LCCA=LCS:</p> <p>LCA.LT.0: damage curve giving ca-shear stress multiplier as a function of the ca-shear strain component. This curve definition is optional and may be used if damage is desired.</p> <p>LCA.GT.0: sigma-ca versus shear strain-ca. For the corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, engineering strain is expected, but for all other solid element formulations a shear strain based on the deformed configuration is used. See notes below.</p>
LCRS	<p>Load curve ID, see *DEFINE_CURVE, for strain-rate effects defining the scale factor versus effective strain rate <math>\dot{\epsilon} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}(\dot{\epsilon}'_{ij}\dot{\epsilon}'_{ij})}</math>. This is optional. The curves defined above are scaled using this curve.</p>
EAAU	Elastic modulus $E_{aaU}$ in uncompressed configuration.
EBBU	Elastic modulus $E_{bbU}$ in uncompressed configuration.
ECCU	Elastic modulus $E_{ccU}$ in uncompressed configuration. LT.0.0: $\sigma_d^Y$ ,  ECCU  initial stress limit (yield) in simple shear. Also, LCA<0 to activate the transversely anisotropic yield surface.
GABU	Shear modulus $G_{abU}$ in uncompressed configuration.
GBCU	Shear modulus $G_{bcU}$ in uncompressed configuration.
GCAU	Shear modulus $G_{caU}$ in uncompressed configuration. ECCU.LT.0.0: $\sigma_p^Y$ , GCAU initial stress limit (yield) in hydrostatic compression. Also, LCA<0 to activate the transversely anisotropic yield surface.
AOPT	<p>Material axes option (see MAT_OPTION TROPIC_ELASTIC for a more complete description):</p> <p>EQ. 0.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by element nodes 1, 2, and 4, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_NODES.</p>

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
	EQ. 1.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by a point in space and the global location of the element center; this is the a-direction.
	EQ. 2.0: globally orthotropic with material axes determined by vectors defined below, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_VECTOR.
XP YP ZP	Coordinates of point p for AOPT = 1.
A1 A2 A3	Components of vector a for AOPT = 2.
D1 D2 D3	Components of vector d for AOPT = 2.
TSEF	Tensile strain at element failure (element will erode).
SSEF	Shear strain at element failure (element will erode).
VREF	This is an optional input parameter for solid elements types 1, 2, 3, 4, and 10. Relative volume at which the reference geometry is stored. At this time the element behaves like a nonlinear spring. The TREF, below, is reached first then VREF will have no effect.
TREF	This is an optional input parameter for solid elements types 1, 2, 3, 4, and 10. Element time step size at which the reference geometry is stored. When this time step size is reached the element behaves like a nonlinear spring. If VREF, above, is reached first then TREF will have no effect.

**Remarks:**

For efficiency it is strongly recommended that the load curve ID's: LCA, LCB, LCC, LCS, LCAB, LCBC, and LCCA, contain exactly the same number of points with corresponding strain values on the abscissa. If this recommendation is followed the cost of the table lookup is insignificant. Conversely, the cost increases significantly if the abscissa strain values are not consistent between load curves.

For solid element formulations 1 and 2, the behavior before compaction is orthotropic where the components of the stress tensor are uncoupled, i.e., an a component of strain will generate resistance in the local a-direction with no coupling to the local b and c directions. The elastic moduli vary from their initial values to the fully compacted values linearly with the relative volume:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{aa} &= E_{aau} + \beta(E - E_{aau}) & G_{ab} &= E_{abu} + \beta(G - G_{abu}) \\
 E_{bb} &= E_{bbu} + \beta(E - E_{bbu}) & G_{bc} &= G_{bcu} + \beta(G - G_{bcu}) \\
 E_{cc} &= E_{ccu} + \beta(E - E_{ccu}) & G_{ca} &= G_{cau} + \beta(G - G_{cau})
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\beta = \max \left[ \min \left( \frac{1-V}{1-V_f}, 1 \right), 0 \right]$$

and G is the elastic shear modulus for the fully compacted honeycomb material

$$G = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)}$$

The relative volume, V, is defined as the ratio of the current volume over the initial volume, and typically, V=1 at the beginning of a calculation.

For corotational solid elements, types 0 and 9, the components of the stress tensor remain uncoupled and the uncompressed elastic moduli are used, that is, the fully compacted elastic moduli are ignored.

The load curves define the magnitude of the stress as the material undergoes deformation. The first value in the curve should be less than or equal to zero corresponding to tension and increase to full compaction. **Care should be taken when defining the curves so the extrapolated values do not lead to negative yield stresses.**

At the beginning of the stress update we transform each element's stresses and strain rates into the local element coordinate system. For the uncompacted material, the trial stress components are updated using the elastic interpolated moduli according to:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{aa}^{n+1^{trial}} &= \sigma_{aa}^n + E_{aa} \Delta \epsilon_{aa} & \sigma_{ab}^{n+1^{trial}} &= \sigma_{ab}^n + 2G_{ab} \Delta \epsilon_{ab} \\
 \sigma_{bb}^{n+1^{trial}} &= \sigma_{bb}^n + E_{bb} \Delta \epsilon_{bb} & \sigma_{bc}^{n+1^{trial}} &= \sigma_{bc}^n + 2G_{bc} \Delta \epsilon_{bc} \\
 \sigma_{cc}^{n+1^{trial}} &= \sigma_{cc}^n + E_{cc} \Delta \epsilon_{cc} & \sigma_{ca}^{n+1^{trial}} &= \sigma_{ca}^n + 2G_{ca} \Delta \epsilon_{ca}
 \end{aligned}$$

If LCA>0, each component of the updated stress tensor is checked to ensure that it does not exceed the permissible value determined from the load curves, e.g., if

$$\left| \sigma_{ij}^{n+1^{trial}} \right| > \lambda \sigma_{ij}(\epsilon_{ij})$$

then

$$\sigma_{ij}^{n+1} = \sigma_{ij}(\varepsilon_{ij}) \frac{\lambda \sigma_{ij}^{n+1trial}}{|\sigma_{ij}^{n+1trial}|}$$

On Card 3  $\sigma_{ij}(\varepsilon_{ij})$  is defined in the load curve specified in columns 31-40 for the aa stress component, 41-50 for the bb component, 51-60 for the cc component, and 61-70 for the ab, bc, cb shear stress components. The parameter  $\lambda$  is either unity or a value taken from the load curve number, LCSR, that defines  $\lambda$  as a function of strain-rate. Strain-rate is defined here as the Euclidean norm of the deviatoric strain-rate tensor.

If  $LCA < 0$ , a transversely anisotropic yield surface is obtained where the uniaxial limit stress,  $\sigma^y(\varphi, \varepsilon^{vol})$ , can be defined as a function of angle  $\varphi$  with the strong axis and volumetric strain,  $\varepsilon^{vol}$ . In order to facilitate the input of data to such a limit stress surface, the limit stress is written as:

$$\sigma^y(\varphi, \varepsilon^{vol}) = \sigma^b(\varphi) + (\cos \varphi)^2 \sigma^s(\varepsilon^{vol}) + (\sin \varphi)^2 \sigma^w(\varepsilon^{vol})$$

where the functions  $\sigma^b$ ,  $\sigma^s$ , and  $\sigma^w$  are represented by load curves LCA, LCB, LCC, respectively. The latter two curves can be used to include the stiffening effects that are observed as the foam material crushes to the point where it begins to lock up. To ensure that the limit stress decreases with respect to the off-angle the curves should be defined such that following equations hold:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma^b(\varphi)}{\partial \varphi} \leq 0$$

and

$$\sigma^s(\varepsilon^{vol}) - \sigma^w(\varepsilon^{vol}) \geq 0.$$

A drawback of this implementation was that the material often collapsed in shear mode due to low shear resistance. There was no way of increasing the shear resistance without changing the behavior in pure uniaxial compression. We have therefore modified the model so that the user can optionally prescribe the shear and hydrostatic resistance in the material without affecting the uniaxial behavior. We introduce the parameters  $\sigma_p^Y(\varepsilon^{vol})$  and  $\sigma_d^Y(\varepsilon^{vol})$  as the *hydrostatic* and *shear limit stresses*, respectively. These are functions of the volumetric strain and are assumed given by

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_p^Y(\varepsilon^{vol}) &= \sigma_p^Y + \sigma^S(\varepsilon^{vol}) \\ \sigma_d^Y(\varepsilon^{vol}) &= \sigma_d^Y + \sigma^S(\varepsilon^{vol}), \end{aligned}$$

where we have reused the densification function  $\sigma^S$ . The new parameters are the initial hydrostatic and shear limit stress values,  $\sigma_p^Y$  and  $\sigma_d^Y$ , and are provided by the user as |ECCU| and GCAU, respectively. The negative sign of ECCU flags the third yield surface option whenever  $LCA < 0$ . The effect of the third formulation is that (i) for a uniaxial stress the stress

limit is given by  $\sigma^Y(\varphi, \varepsilon^{\text{vol}})$ , (ii) for a pressure the stress limit is given by  $\sigma_p^Y(\varepsilon^{\text{vol}})$  and (iii) for a simple shear the stress limit is given by  $\sigma_d^Y(\varepsilon^{\text{vol}})$ . Experiments have shown that the model may give noisy responses and inhomogeneous deformation modes if parameters are not chosen with care. We therefore recommend to (i) avoid large slopes in the function  $\sigma^P$ , (ii) let the functions  $\sigma^S$  and  $\sigma^W$  be slightly increasing and (iii) avoid large differences between the stress limit values  $\sigma^Y(\varphi, \varepsilon^{\text{vol}})$ ,  $\sigma_p^Y(\varepsilon^{\text{vol}})$  and  $\sigma_d^Y(\varepsilon^{\text{vol}})$ . These guidelines are likely to contradict how one would interpret test data and it is up to the user to find a reasonable trade-off between matching experimental results and avoiding the mentioned numerical side effects.

For fully compacted material (element formulations 1 and 2), we assume that the material behavior is elastic-perfectly plastic and updated the stress components according to:

$$s_{ij}^{\text{trial}} = s_{ij}^n + 2G\Delta\varepsilon_{ij}^{\text{dev}^{n+1/2}}$$

where the deviatoric strain increment is defined as

$$\Delta\varepsilon_{ij}^{\text{dev}} = \Delta\varepsilon_{ij} - \frac{1}{3}\Delta\varepsilon_{kk}\delta_{ij}$$

We now check to see if the yield stress for the fully compacted material is exceeded by comparing

$$s_{\text{eff}}^{\text{trial}} = \left( \frac{3}{2} s_{ij}^{\text{trial}} s_{ij}^{\text{trial}} \right)^{1/2}$$

the effective trial stress to the yield stress,  $\sigma_y$  (Card 3, field 21-30). If the effective trial stress exceeds the yield stress we simply scale back the stress components to the yield surface

$$s_{ij}^{n+1} = \frac{\sigma_y}{s_{\text{eff}}^{\text{trial}}} s_{ij}^{\text{trial}}$$

We can now update the pressure using the elastic bulk modulus,  $K$

$$p^{n+1} = p^n - K\Delta\varepsilon_{kk}^{n+1/2}$$

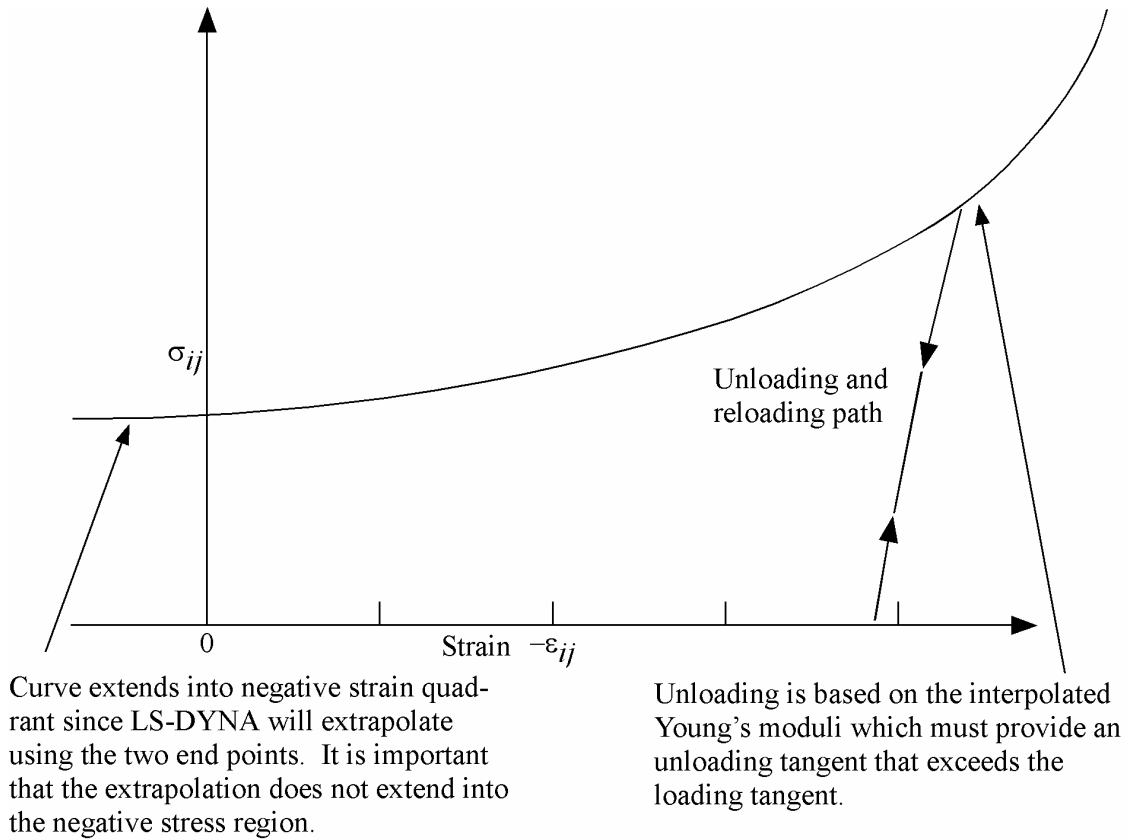
$$K = \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)}$$

and obtain the final value for the Cauchy stress

$$\sigma_{ij}^{n+1} = s_{ij}^{n+1} - p^{n+1}\delta_{ij}$$

After completing the stress update we transform the stresses back to the global configuration.





**Figure 22.126.1.** Stress quantity versus strain. Note that the “yield stress” at a strain of zero is nonzero. In the load curve definition the “time” value is the directional strain and the “function” value is the yield stress. Note that for element types 0 and 9 engineering strains are used, but for all other element types the rates are integrated in time.

**\*MAT\_BARLAT\_YLD2000**

This is Material Type 133. This model was developed by Barlat et al. [2003] to overcome some shortcomings of the six parameter Barlat model implemented as material 33 (MAT\_BARLAT\_YLD96) in LS-DYNA. This model is available for shell elements only.

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	FIT	BETA	ITER	
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	

Card 2

Variable	K	E0	N	C	P	HARD	A	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

**Define the following card if and only if FIT=0**

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	ALPHA1	ALPHA2	ALPHA3	ALPHA4	ALPHA5	ALPHA6	ALPHA7	ALPHA8
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

**Define the following two cards if and only if FIT=1**

Card 3            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	SIG00	SIG45	SIG90	R00	R45	R90		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 4

Variable	SIGXX	SIGYY	SIGXY	DXX	DYY	DXY		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 4/5

Variable	AOPT	OFFANG						
Type	F	F						

Card 5/6

Variable				A1	A2	A3		
Type				F	F	F		

Card 6/7

Variable	V1	V2	V3	D1	D2	D3		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density
E	Young's modulus
PR	Poisson's ratio

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
FIT	Material parameter fit flag: EQ.0.0: Material parameters are used directly on card 3. EQ.1.0: Material parameters are determined from test data on cards 3 and 4.
BETA	Hardening parameter, $0 < \beta < 1$ . See comments below.
ITER	Plastic iteration flag: EQ.0.0: Plane stress algorithm for stress return EQ.1.0: Secant iteration algorithm for stress return  ITER provides an option of using three secant iterations for determining the thickness strain increment as experiments have shown that this leads to a more accurate prediction of shell thickness changes for rapid processes. A significant increase in computation time is incurred with this option so it should be used only for applications associated with high rates of loading and/or for implicit analysis.
K	Material parameter: HARD.EQ.1.0: k, strength coefficient for exponential hardening HARD.EQ.2.0: a in Voce hardening law
E0	Material parameter: HARD.EQ.1.0: $\epsilon_0$ , strain at yield for exponential hardening HARD.EQ.2.0: b in Voce hardening law
N	Material parameter: HARD.EQ.1.0: n, exponent for exponential hardening HARD.EQ.2.0: c in Voce hardening law
C	Cowper-Symonds strain rate parameter, C, see formula below.
P	Cowper-Symonds strain rate parameter, p.
$\sigma_y^v(\epsilon_p, \dot{\epsilon}_p) = \sigma_y(\epsilon_p) \left( 1 + \left\{ \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_p}{C} \right\}^{1/p} \right)$	
HARD	Hardening law: EQ.1.0: Exponential hardening: $\sigma_y = k (\epsilon_0 + \epsilon^p)^n$ EQ.2.0: Voce hardening: $\sigma_y = a - b e^{-c \epsilon^p}$ LT.0.0: Absolute value defines load curve ID

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
A	Flow potential exponent
ALPHA1	$\alpha_1$ , see equations below
ALPHA2	$\alpha_2$ , see equations below
ALPHA3	$\alpha_3$ , see equations below
ALPHA4	$\alpha_4$ , see equations below
ALPHA5	$\alpha_5$ , see equations below
ALPHA6	$\alpha_6$ , see equations below
ALPHA7	$\alpha_7$ , see equations below
ALPHA8	$\alpha_8$ , see equations below
SIG00	Yield stress in 00 direction
SIG45	Yield stress in 45 direction
SIG90	Yield stress in 90 direction
R00	R-value in 00 direction
R45	R-value in 45 direction
R90	R-value in 90 direction
SIGXX	xx-component of stress on yield surface, see notes below.
SIGYY	yy-component of stress on yield surface, see notes below.
SIGXY	xy-component of stress on yield surface, see notes below.
DXX	xx-component of tangent to yield surface, see notes below.
DYY	yy-component of tangent to yield surface, see notes below.
DXY	xy-component of tangent to yield surface, see notes below.
AOPT	Material axes option: EQ.0.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by element nodes as shown in Figure 20.1. Nodes 1,2, and 4 of an element are identical to the nodes used for the definition of a coordinate system as by *DEFINE_COORDINATE_NODES

EQ.2.0: globally orthotropic with material axes determined by vectors defined below, as with\*DEFINE\_COORDINATE\_VECTOR  
 EQ.3.0: locally orthotropic material axes determined by offsetting the material axes by an angle, OFFANG, from a line determined by taking the cross product of the vector **v** with the normal to the plane of the element.

OFFANG	Offset angle for AOPT=3
A1 A2 A3	Components of vector <b>a</b> for AOPT=2
V1 V2 V3	Components of vector <b>v</b> for AOPT=3
D1 D2 D3	Components of vector <b>d</b> for AOPT=2

**Remarks:**

The yield condition for this material can be written

$$f(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{a}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_p) = \sigma_{\text{eff}}(\sigma_{xx} - 2\alpha_{xx} - \alpha_{yy}, \sigma_{yy} - 2\alpha_{yy} - \alpha_{xx}, \sigma_{xy} - \alpha_{xy}) - \sigma_Y^t(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_p, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_p, \boldsymbol{\beta}) \leq 0$$

where

$$\sigma_{\text{eff}}(s_{xx}, s_{yy}, s_{xy}) = \left( \frac{1}{2}(\phi' + \phi'') \right)^{1/a}$$

$$\phi' = |X'_1 - X'_2|^a$$

$$\phi'' = |2X''_1 + X''_2|^a + |X''_1 + 2X''_2|^a$$

The  $X'_i$  and  $X''_i$  are eigenvalues of  $X'_{ij}$  and  $X''_{ij}$  and are given by

$$X'_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left( X'_{11} + X'_{22} + \sqrt{(X'_{11} - X'_{22})^2 + 4X'^2_{12}} \right)$$

$$X'_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( X'_{11} + X'_{22} - \sqrt{(X'_{11} - X'_{22})^2 + 4X'^2_{12}} \right)$$

and

$$X''_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left( X''_{11} + X''_{22} + \sqrt{(X''_{11} - X''_{22})^2 + 4X''^2_{12}} \right)$$

$$X''_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( X''_{11} + X''_{22} - \sqrt{(X''_{11} - X''_{22})^2 + 4X''^2_{12}} \right)$$

respectively. The  $X'_{ij}$  and  $X''_{ij}$  are given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} X'_{11} \\ X'_{22} \\ X'_{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L'_{11} & L'_{12} & 0 \\ L'_{21} & L'_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & L'_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s_{xx} \\ s_{yy} \\ s_{xy} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} X''_{11} \\ X''_{22} \\ X''_{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L''_{11} & L''_{12} & 0 \\ L''_{21} & L''_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & L''_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s_{xx} \\ s_{yy} \\ s_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} L'_{11} \\ L'_{12} \\ L'_{21} \\ L'_{22} \\ L'_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} L''_{11} \\ L''_{12} \\ L''_{21} \\ L''_{22} \\ L''_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 & 8 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & -4 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & -4 & -4 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 8 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_3 \\ \alpha_4 \\ \alpha_5 \\ \alpha_6 \\ \alpha_8 \end{pmatrix}$$

The parameters  $\alpha_1$  to  $\alpha_8$  are the parameters that determines the shape of the yield surface.

The material parameters can be determined from three uniaxial tests and a more general test. From the uniaxial tests the yield stress and R-values are used and from the general test an arbitrary point on the yield surface is used given by the stress components in the material system as

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} \\ \sigma_{yy} \\ \sigma_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

together with a tangent of the yield surface in that particular point. For the latter the tangential direction should be determined so that

$$d_{xx} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xx}^p + d_{yy} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{yy}^p + 2d_{xy} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{xy}^p = 0$$

The biaxial data can be set to zero in the input deck for LS-DYNA to just fit the uniaxial data.

**\*MAT\_1DOF\_GENERALIZED\_SPRING**

This is Material Type 146. This is a linear spring or damper that allows different degrees-of-freedom at two nodes to be coupled with a liner spring and/or damper.

**Card Format**

Card 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	MID	RO	K	C	SCLN1	SCLN2	DOFN1	DOFN2
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	I	I

Card 2

Variable	CID1	CID2						
Type	I	I						

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density, see also volume in *SECTION_BEAM definition.
K	Spring stiffness.
C	Damping constant.
SCLN1	Scale factor on force at node 1. Default=1.0.
SCLN2	Scale factor on force at node 2. Default=1.0.
DOFN1	Active degree-of-freedom at node 1, a number between 1 to 6 where 1 in x-translation and 4 is x-rotation. If this parameter is defined in the SECTION_BEAM definition or on the ELEMENT_BEAM_SCALAR card, then the value here, if defined, is ignored.
DOFN2	Active degree-of-freedom at node 2, a number between 1 to 6. If this parameter is defined in the SECTION_BEAM definition or on the ELEMENT_BEAM_SCALAR card, then the value here, if defined, is ignored.



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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
CID1	Local coordinate system at node 1. This coordinate system can be overwritten by a local system specified on the *ELEMENT_BEAM_SCALAR or *SECTION_BEAM keyword input. If no coordinate system is specified, the global system is used.
CID2	Local coordinate system at node 2. If CID2=0, CID2=CID1.

**\*MAT\_RATE\_SENSITIVE\_COMPOSITE\_FABRIC**

This is Material Type 158. Depending on the type of failure surface, this model may be used to model rate sensitive composite materials with unidirectional layers, complete laminates, and woven fabrics. A viscous stress tensor, based on an isotropic Maxwell model with up to six terms in the Prony series expansion, is superimposed on the rate independent stress tensor of the composite fabric. The viscous stress tensor approach should work reasonably well if the stress increases due to rate effects are up to 15% of the total stress. This model is implemented for both shell and thick shell elements. The viscous stress tensor is effective at eliminating spurious stress oscillations.

**Card Format**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	EA	EB	(EC)	PRBA	TAU1	GAMMA1
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 2

Variable	GAB	GBC	GCA	SLIMT1	SLIMC1	SLIMT2	SLIMC2	SLIMS
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 3

Variable	AOPT	TSIZE	ERODS	SOFT	FS			
Type	F	F	F	F	F			

Card 4

Variable	XP	YP	ZP	A1	A2	A3		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 5

Variable	V1	V2	V3	D1	D2	D3	BETA	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

Card 6

Variable	E11C	E11T	E22C	E22T	GMS			
Type	F	F	F	F	F			

Card 7

Variable	XC	XT	YC	YT	SC			
Type	F	F	F	F	F			

Card 8

1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	K							
Type	F							

**Card Format for viscoelastic constants. Up to 6 cards may be input. A keyword card (with a “\*” in column 1) terminates this input if less than 6 cards are used.**

Optional Cards

1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	GI	BETA1						
Type	F	F						

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density
EA	$E_a$ , Young's modulus - longitudinal direction
EB	$E_b$ , Young's modulus - transverse direction
(EC)	$E_c$ , Young's modulus - normal direction (not used)
PRBA	$\nu_{ba}$ , Poisson's ratio ba
TAU1	$\tau_1$ , stress limit of the first slightly nonlinear part of the shear stress versus shear strain curve. The values $\tau_1$ and $\gamma_1$ are used to define a curve of shear stress versus shear strain. These values are input if FS, defined below, is set to a value of -1.
GAMMA1	$\gamma_1$ , strain limit of the first slightly nonlinear part of the shear stress versus shear strain curve.
GAB	$G_{ab}$ , shear modulus ab
GBC	$G_{bc}$ , shear modulus bc
GCA	$G_{ca}$ , shear modulus ca
SLIMT1	Factor to determine the minimum stress limit after stress maximum (fiber tension).
SLIMC1	Factor to determine the minimum stress limit after stress maximum (fiber compression).
SLIMT2	Factor to determine the minimum stress limit after stress maximum (matrix tension).
SLIMC2	Factor to determine the minimum stress limit after stress maximum (matrix compression).
SLIMS	Factor to determine the minimum stress limit after stress maximum (shear).
AOPT	Material axes option (see <i>MAT_OPTION</i> TROPIC_ELASTIC for a more complete description): EQ. 0.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by element nodes 1, 2, and 4, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_NODES.

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
	EQ. 2.0: globally orthotropic with material axes determined by vectors defined below, as with *DEFINE_COORDINATE_VECTOR.
	EQ. 3.0: locally orthotropic material axes determined by rotating the material axes about the element normal by an angle (BETA) from a line in the plane of the element defined by the cross product of the vector $\mathbf{v}$ with the element normal.
TSIZE	Time step for automatic element deletion.
ERODS	Maximum effective strain for element layer failure. A value of unity would equal 100% strain.
SOFT	Softening reduction factor for strength in the crashfront.
FS	Failure surface type: EQ.1.0: smooth failure surface with a quadratic criterion for both the fiber (a) and transverse (b) directions. This option can be used with complete laminates and fabrics. EQ.0.0: smooth failure surface in the transverse (b) direction with a limiting value in the fiber (a) direction. This model is appropriate for unidirectional (UD) layered composites only. EQ.-1.: faceted failure surface. When the strength values are reached then damage evolves in tension and compression for both the fiber and transverse direction. Shear behavior is also considered. This option can be used with complete laminates and fabrics.
XP YP ZP	Define coordinates of point p for AOPT = 1.
A1 A2 A3	Define components of vector a for AOPT = 2.
V1 V2 V3	Define components of vector v for AOPT = 3.
D1 D2 D3	Define components of vector d for AOPT = 2.
BETA	Material angle in degrees for AOPT = 3, may be overridden on the element card, see *ELEMENT_SHELL_BETA.
E11C	Strain at longitudinal compressive strength, a-axis.
E11T	Strain at longitudinal tensile strength, a-axis.
E22C	Strain at transverse compressive strength, b-axis.
E22T	Strain at transverse tensile strength, b-axis.

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
GMS	Strain at shear strength, ab plane.
XC	Longitudinal compressive strength
XT	Longitudinal tensile strength, see below.
YC	Transverse compressive strength, b-axis, see below.
YT	Transverse tensile strength, b-axis, see below.
SC	Shear strength, ab plane.
K	Optional bulk modulus for the viscoelastic material. If nonzero a Kelvin type behavior will be obtained. Generally, K is set to zero.
GI	Optional shear relaxation modulus for the ith term
BETAI	Optional shear decay constant for the ith term

**Remarks:**

See the remark for material type 58, \*MAT\_LAMINATED\_COMPOSITE\_FABRIC, for the treatment of the composite material.

Rate effects are taken into account through a Maxwell model using linear viscoelasticity by a convolution integral of the form:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \int_0^t g_{ijkl}(t-\tau) \frac{\partial \epsilon_{kl}}{\partial \tau} d\tau$$

where  $g_{ijkl}(t-\tau)$  is the relaxation functions for the different stress measures. This stress is added to the stress tensor determined from the strain energy functional. Since we wish to include only simple rate effects, the relaxation function is represented by six terms from the Prony series:

$$g(t) = \sum_{m=1}^N G_m e^{-\beta_m t}$$

We characterize this in the input by the shear moduli,  $G_i$ , and decay constants,  $\beta_i$ . An arbitrary number of terms, not exceeding 6, may be used when applying the viscoelastic model. The composite failure is not directly affected by the presence of the viscous stress tensor.

\*MAT\_ARUP\_ADHESIVE

This is Material Type 169. This material model was written for adhesive bonding in aluminum structures. The plasticity model is not volume-conserving, and hence avoids the spuriously high tensile stresses that can develop if adhesive is modeled using traditional elasto-plastic material models. It is available **only** for solid elements, and it is assumed that the smallest dimension of the element is the through-thickness dimension of the bond.

Card Format

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO	E	PR	TENMAX	GCTEN	SHRMAX	GCSHR
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Default	none	none	none	none	1.e20	1.e20	1.e20	1.e20

Card 2            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	PWRT	PWRS	SHRP					
Type	F	F	F					
Default	2.0	2.0	0.0					

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density.
E	Young's modulus.
PR	Poisson's ratio.
TENMAX	Maximum through-thickness tensile stress
GCTEN	Energy per unit area to fail the bond in tension

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
SHRMAX	Maximum through-thickness shear stress
GCSHR	Energy per unit area to fail the bond in shear
PWRT	Power law term for tension
PWRS	Power law term for shear
SHRP	Shear plateau ratio (Optional)

**Remarks:**

The through-thickness direction is identified from the smallest dimension of each element. It is expected that this dimension will be much smaller than in-plane dimensions (typically 2mm compared with 10mm)

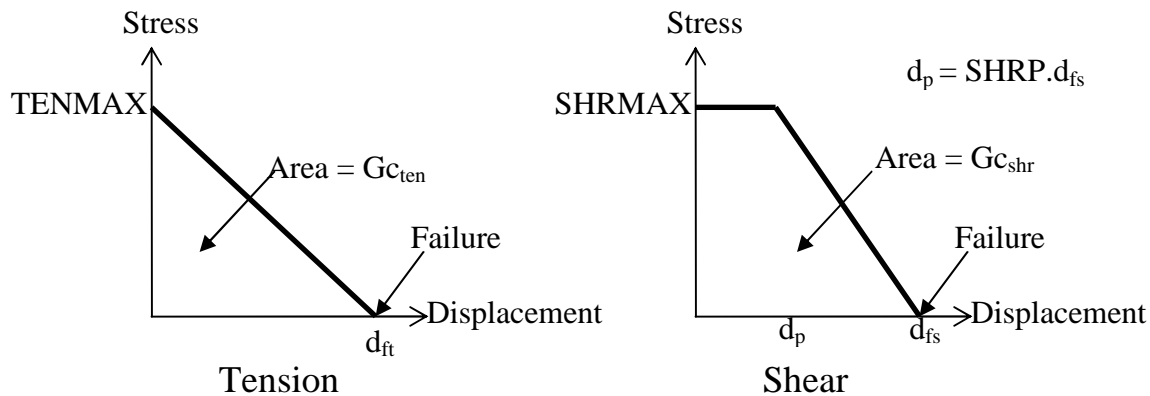
In-plane stresses are set to zero: it is assumed that the stiffness and strength of the substrate is large compared with that of the adhesive, given the relative thicknesses

If the substrate is modeled with shell elements, it is expected that these will lie at the mid-surface of the substrate geometry. Therefore the solid elements representing the adhesive will be thicker than the actual bond.

The yield and failure surfaces are treated as a power-law combination of direct tension and shear across the bond:

$$(\sigma / \sigma_{max})^{PWRT} + (\tau / \tau_{max})^{PWRS} = 1.0 \text{ at yield}$$

The stress-displacement curves for tension and shear are shown in the diagrams below. In both cases, Gc is the area under the curve.





Because of the algorithm used, yielding in tension across the bond does not require strains in the plane of the bond – unlike the plasticity models, plastic flow is not treated as volume-conserving.

The Plastic Strain output variable has a special meaning:

0 < ps < 1: ps is the maximum value of the yield function experienced since time zero

1 < ps < 2: the element has yielded and the strength is reducing towards failure – yields at ps=1, fails at ps=2.

**\*MAT\_RESULTANT\_ANISOTROPIC**

This is Material Type 170. This model is available the Belytschko-Tsay and the C0 triangular shell elements and is based on a resultant stress formulation. In-plane behavior is treated separately from bending in order to model perforated materials such as television shadow masks. The plastic behavior of each resultant is specified with a load curve and is completely uncoupled from the other resultants. If other shell formulations are specified, the formulation will be automatically switched to Belyschko-Tsay. As implemented, this material model cannot be used with user defined integration rules.

**Card Formats**

Card 1            1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8

Variable	MID	RO						
Type	I	F						

Card 2

Variable	E11P	E22P	V12P	V21P	G12P	G23P	G31P	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

Card 3

Variable	E11B	E22B	V12B	V21B	G12B	AOPT		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 4

Variable	LN11	LN22	LN12	LQ1	LQ2	LM11	LM22	LM12
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Card 4

Variable				A1	A2	A3		
Type				F	F	F		

Card 5

Variable	V1	V2	V3	D1	D2	D3	BETA	
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density.
E11P	$E_{11p}$ , for in plane behavior.
E22P	$E_{22p}$ , for in plane behavior.
V12P	$\nu_{12p}$ , for in plane behavior.
V11P	$\nu_{21p}$ , for in plane behavior.
G12P	$G_{12p}$ , for in plane behavior.
G23P	$G_{23p}$ , for in plane behavior.
G31P	$G_{31p}$ , for in plane behavior.
E11B	$E_{11b}$ , for bending behavior.
E22B	$E_{22b}$ , for bending behavior.
V12B	$\nu_{12b}$ , for bending behavior.
V21B	$\nu_{21b}$ , for bending behavior.
G12B	$G_{12b}$ , for bending behavior.

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
AOPT	Material axes option (see <i>MAT_OPTION TROPIC_ELASTIC</i> for a more complete description): EQ. 0.0: locally orthotropic with material axes determined by element nodes 1, 2, and 4, as with <i>*DEFINE_COORDINATE_NODES</i> . EQ. 2.0: globally orthotropic with material axes determined by vectors defined below, as with <i>*DEFINE_COORDINATE_VECTOR</i> .
AOPT	EQ. 3.0: locally orthotropic material axes determined by rotating the material axes about the element normal by an angle, BETA, from a line in the plane of the element defined by the cross product of the vector $\mathbf{v}$ with the element normal.
LN11	Yield curve ID for $N_{11}$ .
LN22	Yield curve ID for $N_{22}$ .
LN12	Yield curve ID for $N_{12}$ .
LQ1	Yield curve ID for $Q_1$ .
LQ2	Yield curve ID for $Q_2$ .
LM11	Yield curve ID for $M_{11}$ .
LM22	Yield curve ID for $M_{22}$ .
LM12	Yield curve ID for $M_{12}$ .
A1,A2,A3	$a_1 a_2 a_3$ , define components of vector $\mathbf{a}$ for AOPT = 2.
D1,D2,D3	$d_1 d_2 d_3$ , define components of vector $\mathbf{d}$ for AOPT = 2.
V1,V2,V3	$v_1 v_2 v_3$ , define components of vector $\mathbf{v}$ for AOPT = 3.
BETA	Material angle in degrees for AOPT = 3, may be overridden on the element card, see <i>*ELEMENT_SHELL_BETA</i> .

**Remarks:**

The in-plane elastic matrix for in-plane, plane stress behavior is given by:

$$C_{in\ plane} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11p} & Q_{12p} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ Q_{12p} & Q_{22p} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{44p} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & Q_{55p} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & Q_{66p} \end{bmatrix}$$

The terms  $Q_{ijp}$  are defined as:

$$Q_{11p} = \frac{E_{11p}}{1 - \nu_{12p}\nu_{21p}}$$

$$Q_{22p} = \frac{E_{22p}}{1 - \nu_{12p}\nu_{21p}}$$

$$Q_{12p} = \frac{\nu_{12p}E_{11p}}{1 - \nu_{12p}\nu_{21p}}$$

$$Q_{44p} = G_{12p}$$

$$Q_{55p} = G_{23p}$$

$$Q_{66p} = G_{31p}$$

The elastic matrix for bending behavior is given by:

$$C_{bending} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11b} & Q_{12b} & 0 \\ Q_{12b} & Q_{22b} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{44b} \end{bmatrix}$$

The terms  $Q_{ijp}$  are similarly defined.

**\*MAT\_SIMPLIFIED\_RUBBER/FOAM**

This is Material Type 181. This material model provides a rubber and foam model defined by a single uniaxial load curve or by a family of uniaxial curves at discrete strain rates. The foam formulation is triggered by defining a Poisson’s ratio. This material may be used with both shell and solid elements.

**Card Format**

Card 1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	MID	RO	K	MU	G	SIGF		
Type	I	F	F	F	F	F		

Card 2

Variable	SGL	SW	ST	LC/TBID	TENSION	RTYPE	AVGOPT	PR/BETA
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
MID	Material identification. A unique number has to be chosen.
RO	Mass density
K	Linear bulk modulus.
MU	Damping coefficient.
G	Shear modulus for frequency independent damping. Frequency independent damping is based of a spring and slider in series. The critical stress for the slider mechanism is SIGF defined below. For the best results, the value of G should be 250-1000 times greater than SIGF.
SIGF	Limit stress for frequency independent, frictional, damping.
SGL	Specimen gauge length
SW	Specimen width
ST	Specimen thickness

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION
LC/TBID	<p>Load curve or table ID, see *DEFINE_TABLE, defining the force versus actual change in the gauge length. If the table definition is used a family of curves are defined for discrete strain rates. The load curves should cover the complete range of expected loading, i.e., the smallest stretch ratio to the largest. If the <i>first</i> stress-strain curve in the table corresponds to a negative strain rate, LS-DYNA assumes that the natural logarithm of the strain rate value is used. Since the tables are internally discretized to equally space the points, natural logarithms are necessary, for example, if the curves correspond to rates from 10.e-04 to 10.e+04. Computing the natural logarithm of the strain rate does slow the stress update down significantly on some computers.</p>
TENSION	<p>Parameter that controls how the rate effects are treated. Applicable to the table definition.</p> <p>EQ.-1.0: rate effects are considered during tension and compression loading, but not during unloading,</p> <p>EQ. 0.0: rate effects are considered for compressive loading only,</p> <p>EQ.1.0:rate effects are treated identically in tension and compression.</p>
RTYPE	<p>Strain rate type if a table is defined:</p> <p>EQ.0.0: true strain rate,</p> <p>EQ.1.0: engineering strain rate</p>
AVGOPT	<p>Averaging option determine strain rate to reduce numerical noise.</p> <p>EQ.0.0: simple average of twelve time steps,</p> <p>EQ.1.0: running 12 point average.</p>
PR/BETA	<p>If the value is specified between 0 and 0.5 exclusive, i.e.,</p> $0 < PR < 0.50$ <p>the number defined here is taken as Poisson's ratio. If zero, an incompressible rubber like behavior is assumed and a default value of 0.495 is used internally. If a Poisson's ratio of 0.0 is desired, input a small value for PR such as 0.001. When fully integrated solid elements are used and when a nonzero Poisson's ratio is specified, a foam material is assumed and selective-reduced integration is not used due to the compressibility. This is true even if PR approaches 0.500. If any other value excluding zero is define, then BETA is taken as the absolute value of the given number and a nearly incompressible rubber like behavior is assumed. An incrementally updated mean viscous stress develops according to the equation:</p>

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<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
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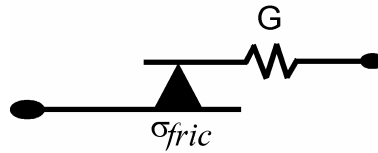
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$$p^{n+1} = p^n e^{-\beta \cdot \Delta t} + K \dot{\epsilon}_{kk} \left( \frac{1 - e^{-\beta \cdot \Delta t}}{\beta} \right) \quad \text{where } \beta = |BETA|$$

The BETA parameter does not apply to highly compressible foam materials.

**Remarks:**

The frequency independent damping is obtained by the having a spring and slider in series as shown in the following sketch:





# **RESTART INPUT DATA**

**\*CHANGE\_OPTION**

The following option was added for this release:

**RIGID\_BODY\_INERTIA**

## RIGID\_BODY\_INERTIA

The **RIGID\_BODY\_INERTIA** option allows the mass and inertia properties of a rigid body to be changed. This input terminates when the next “\*” card is encountered. The inertia tensor is defined in the local system defined in **\*MAT\_RIGID** at the start of the calculation. This coordinate system, which is fixed in the rigid body, tracks the rigid body rotation.

### Card Format

Card 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	ID	PID	TM					
Type	I	I	F					

Card 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Variable	IXX	IXY	IXZ	IYY	IYZ	IZZ		
Type	F	F	F	F	F	F		

<u>VARIABLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
ID	ID for this change inertia input.
PID	Part ID, see *PART.
TM	Translational mass.
IXX	$I_{xx}$ , xx component of inertia tensor.
IXY	$I_{xy}$
IXZ	$I_{xz}$
IYY	$I_{yy}$ , yy component of inertia tensor.
IYZ	$I_{yz}$
IZZ	$I_{zz}$ , zz component of inertia tensor.