Dynamic Response Optimization with Nastran Optimization

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MSC Nastran Design Sensitivity and Optimization User's Guide Chapter 8 – Example Problems - Dynamic Response Optimization



Minimize the RSS displacement while maintaining a constant volume

Before Optimization

- RSS displacement at node 1110: 15.2 in.
- Volume: 8.00 in^3



After Optimization

- RSS displacement at node 1110: 11.3 in.
- Volume: 7.99 in^3





 Optimize plate thicknesses to minimize the vertical displacement magnitudes at node 1110 across all forcing frequencies







Agenda

Details of the structural model

Optimization Problem Statement

Steps to use Nastran SOL 200 (Optimization)

- Convert a .bdf file to SOL 200
- Create:
 - Design Variables
 - Design Objective
 - Design Constraints
- Perform optimization with Nastran SOL 200
- View optimization results
- Online Plotter
- Structural Results

Update the original structural model with optimized parameters



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Details of the structural model

Dynamic Response Optimization

This example demonstrates structural optimization when the structural loads are frequency dependent. The system considered is a flat rectangular plate clamped on three edges and free along the fourth, as shown in Figure 8-21. The problem investigates minimization of the mean square response of the transverse displacement at the midpoint of the free edge, while constraining the volume of the structure (and hence, weight) to be equal to that of the initial design. A pressure loading with an amplitude of 1.0 $\text{lb}_{/}$ in² is applied across a frequency range of 20.0 to 200.0 Hz. A small amount of frequency-dependent modal damping has also been included.



Figure 8-21 Pressure-Loaded Flat Plate





Details of the structural model





Design Variables

- x1: T1 | .01 < x1 < 1.
- ∘ x2: T2 | .01 < x2 < 1.
- x3: T3 | .01 < x3 < 1.
- ∘ x4: T4 | .01 < x4 < 1.
- ∘ x5: T5 | .01 < x5 < 1.
- x6: T6 | .01 < x6 < 1.
- x7: T7 | .01 < x7 < 1.
- x8: T8 | .01 < x8 < 1.
- x9: T9 | .01 < x9 < 1.
- ∘ x10: T10 | .01 < x10 < 1.









Design Objective

 r0: Minimize the root sum of squares for displacement magnitudes at node 1110 for forcing frequencies 20Hz – 200 Hz

$$min\phi = \sqrt{\sum_{i=20}^{200} (u_{z,1110}^{i})^{2}}$$

Design Constraints

• r1: Volume

• 7.99 < r1 < 8.01









Steps to use Nastran SOL 200 (Optimization)

- 1. Start with a .bdf or .dat file
- 2. Use the SOL 200 Web App to:
 - Convert the .bdf file to SOL 200
 - Design Variables
 - Design Objective
 - Design Constraints
 - Perform optimization with Nastran SOL 200
- 3. Review optimization results
 - Online Plotter
 - Optimized structural results
- 4. Update the original model with optimized parameters



SOL 200 Web App Capabilities

Compatibility

- Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox or Microsoft Edge
- Windows and Red Hat Linux

 Installable on a company laptop, workstation or server. All data remains within your company.

The Post-processor Web App and HDF5 Explorer are free to MSC Nastran users.

Benefits

entries.

- REAL TIME error detection. 200+
- error validations.
- REALT TIME creation of bulk data
- Web browser accessible
- Free Post-processor web apps
 - +80 tutorials

Web Apps



Web Apps for MSC Nastran SOL 200 Pre/post for MSC Nastran SOL 200. Support for size, topology, topometry, topography, multi-model optimization.



Shape Optimization Web App Use a web application to configure and perform shape optimization.



Machine Learning Web App Bayesian Optimization for nonlinear response optimization (SOL 400)



Remote Execution Web App Run MSC Nastran jobs on remote Linux or Windows systems available on the local network



PBMSECT Web App Generate PBMSECT and PBRSECT entries graphically



Dynamic Loads Web App Generate RLOAD1, RLOAD2 and **DLOAD** entries graphically



Ply Shape Optimization Web App Optimize composite ply drop-off locations, and generate new **PCOMPG** entries



Stacking Sequence Web App Optimize the stacking sequence of composite laminate plies



browser on Windows and Linux



HDF5 Explorer Web App Create graphs (XY plots) using data from the H5 file



View Optimization Results Online Plotter



Design Cycle



-------------------------------X1

X2 X3 X4 X4 X5

---- X7 ---- X8

---- X9

Review Optimization Results, Frequency Results





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Use the .pch file



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