# LESSON 7

# **Crushed** Pipe



**Objectives:** 

- Large displacement analysis.
- Rigid contact analysis using analytic rigid surfaces.
- Plasticity modeled with perfectly plastic material.

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## **Model Description:**

In this exercise, a model of a cylindrical pipe is modeled as being crushed between two rigid bodies.

The model is created using 2D thin shell elements to model the pipe and Rigid Surface (Cylinder) elements to model the crushing rigid bodies. The pipe model will be covered with 2D Interface elements in order to model the contact between the pipe and the rigid bodies.



#### **Data for Exercise:**

Pipe Dimensions:	D = 6.2 Length = 20 Thickness = 0.4
Pipe Material:	Steel, E = 30E6 nu = 0.3 Yield Stress = 45,000
Mesh-	Rigid Body 1 and 2: 3D analytical Pipe: S4R elements with IRS4 elements to contact rigid bodies

### **Exercise Procedure:**

1. Open a new database. Name it **pipe\_crush2**.

#### File/New ...

Database Name

pipe\_crush2.db

OK

Change the Analysis Preference to MSC/ADVANCED\_FEA.

Analysis Code:

MSC/ADVANCED\_FEA

**Add Entity Selection** 

#### OK

2. Create a new group rigid.

#### Group/Create...

New Group Name

#### Make Current

Group Contents:

Apply	
Cancel	

3. Create the model geometry.

In order to make picking a little easier, show the labels using the following toolbar icon:

rigid



Show Labels

#### ♦ Geometry

Action:

Object:

Method:

Apply

Points Coordinates List

Create	
Point	
XYZ	
[0, -6.3, 4]	

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Create a second point by changing the *Point Coordinates List* to [3.1, -6.3, 4].

Apply

4. Sweep point to make a curve for the lower rigid surface.



The screen should now display the points and curves as shown in Figure 7.1:

Figure 7.1 - Curve for lower rigid surface



5. Create the geometric points for the upper rigid surface



Create	
Point	
XYZ	
[0, 5.2, 4]	

#### Apply

This will create Point 4

In a similar manner, create points 5, 6 and 7 using the **Create, Point, XYZ** option. The data for the transformations is given below.

**Table 1: List of Points to Create** 

New Point	Point Coordinate List
5	[-2.0, 5.2, 4]
6	[1.0, 5.2, 4]
7	[2.0, 5.2, 4]

6. Create the curves for the upper rigid surface

Sweep **Point 4** into an arc using **Point 5** as the axis



In a similar manner create a curve from **Point 6** using an *Axis* definition of {**point 7**[**X7 Y7 5**]}, a *Total Angle* of **180** and the *Point List* set to **Point 6**.

Connect the two half circles with a straight line.

Action:	Create
Object:	Curve
Method:	Point
Options:	2 Point
Starting Point List	Point 4
Ending Point List	Point 6

This ends the definition of the geometry of the upper and lower rigid bodies. The screen should now show the points and curves displayed in Figure 7.2:



Figure 7.2 - Curves to form rigid surfaces

7. Create a new group **pipe** and the geometry for the pipe.

#### Group/Create

New Group Name

pipe

Make Current

Group Contents:

Apply	
Cancel	

**Add Entity Selection** 

First, change to the isometric view by clicking on the **Iso1 View** icon in the toolbar.

Action:

Create

Object:	Point
Method:	XYZ
Points Coordinates List	[-10 0 0]
Apply	

In a similar manner, using the **Create**, **Point**, **XYZ** method to create **Point 11** by changing the *Point Coordinates List* to [-10 3.1 0].

Sweep Point 11 into a circle

Action:
Object:
Method:
Axis
Total Angle
Point List

Create	
Curve	
Revolve	
{Point 10[1 Y10 Z10]}	
360	
5. 7.2	

8. Create the mesh seed for the circle.

#### ♦ Finite Elements

Action:

Apply

Object:

Type:

Element Edge Length Data

Number

Curve List

Apply

Create

Mesh Seed

Uniform

♦ Number of Elements

1	2	

See Figure 7.3



Figure 7.3 - Point to form curve and curve to place mesh seeds on

9. Now you will create the mesh and extrude the elements to represent the pipe.

First, create a group called **fem\_pipe**.

#### **Group/Create**

New Group Name

#### ■ Make Current

Group Contents:



Mesh the curve

Action:



Create

Object:	Mesh
Type:	Curve
Global Edge Length	1.0
Element Topology	Bar 2
Curve List	see Figure 7.3

Change the view back to the default by using the following toolbar icon:



Now you will extrude the elements.

Apply



To select these elements you will have to click on the **Elements** icon once you click in the *Base Entity List* databox.



Then click on the **Beam Element** icon.



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Figure 7.4 - Bar elements to sweep into surface elements

#### Apply

Repeat this process with

Action:

Object:

Type:

Mesh Control...

Mesh Control Data

Number

#### OK

Direction Vector

Base Entity List

Sweep	
Element	
Extrude	
	_

◆ Number of Elements

8

<12, 0, 0>
see Figure 7.5

First, click on the Element's Edge icon



Select the element's edges as shown in Figure 7.5:



Figure 7.5 - Element edges to sweep into surface elements

Repeat the process once again with the original settings

Action: Sweep Element **Object:** Extrude Type: Mesh Control... ♦ Number of Elements Mesh Control Data 2 Number OK <4, 0, 0> **Direction Vector Delete Original Elements** see Figure 7.6 Base Entity List



Figure 7.6 - Element edges to sweep into surface elements

10. Define the reference nodes for the upper rigid surface.

Add a "reference" node to the upper and lower rigid bodies. This node will be used to control the motion of the rigid bodies.

First, post only the group rigid

#### Group/Post...

Select Groups to Post

rigid

Apply	
Cancel	

Action:

Object:

Method:

Node ID List

Node Location List

Apply

Create	
Node	
Edit	
999	
see Figure 7.7	



11. Define the reference nodes for the lower rigid surface.



Create	
Node	
Edit	
1000	
see Figure 7.7	

Apply

12. Create the upper rigid surface elements.

Create a beam mesh on the upper rigid bodies.

Action:	Create
Object:	Mesh
Type:	Curve
Global Edge Length	1
Element Topology	Bar2
Curve List	see Figure 7.8
Apply	



Figure 7.8 - Curves to sweep into rigid surface elements

13. Create the elements for the lower rigid surface.

In a similar manner, create a beam mesh on the lower rigid body. The *Global Edge Length* is =  $\mathbf{1}$  and pick the curve shown at the bottom of Figure 6a.8. The *Curve List* should be **Curve 1**. See figure 7.8.

14. Give the rigid surfaces depth by using



#### ■ Delete Original Elements

Base Entity List

Select all posted bars

Apply

Again you will have to click on these two icons to select the bar elements



15. Equivalence the finite element nodes (eliminate any extra, overlapping nodes created by the mesher).

Action:

Object:

Type:

Equivalence	
All	
<b>Tolerance Cube</b>	

Apply

16. Verify that the Rigid Body element normals face the pipe.

In a later step, these elements will be used to define a rigid boundary. The rigid body outward direction is defined by the element's normal direction. Therefore, we need to be sure that the normals for each of the rigid boundaries are pointing towards the pipe.

Action:

Object:

Verify	
Element	
Normals	

Test:

♦ Draw Normal Vectors

Apply

All of the element normals should point towards the pipe. If any of them do not, reverse their direction by following this procedure:

Action:

Object:

Test:

Modify
Element
Reverse

Element List

select the elements which had normals facing the wrong direction

Apply

17. Create a new group called **fem\_all** which will be used for post processing later.

#### Group/Create...

New Group Name

|--|

Make Current

Group Contents:

|--|

Apply Cancel

18. Create the material properties for the pipe.

#### ♦ Materials

Action:

Object:

Method:

Material Name

**Input Properties...** 

Constitutive Model:

Elastic Modulus

Poisson's Ratio

Apply

Create Isotropic

Manual Input

steel

Elastic	
30E6	
0.30	

The model will also experience yielding during the analysis, so a Plastic Constitutive Model needs to be defined.

Constitutive Model:

Hardening Rule

Plastic	
Perfect Plasticity	

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Yield Stress

45000

Apply	
Cancel	

19. Post the group **fem\_pipe** only.

#### Group/Post...

Select Groups to Post

fem\_pipe

Apply	
Cancel	

You may have to hit the *Refresh* button in the *Main window* in order to see your model.



**Refresh Graphics** 

20. Now create the Element Properties for your model.

#### Properties

Action:

Dimension:

Type

Property Set Name

**Options:** 

Create
2D
Shell
pipe
Thin
Homogeneous

#### **Input Properties...**

Material Name

Shell Thickness

OK

m:steel	
0.4	

Click in the *Select Members* databox. Select the 2d element icon in the Select menu and then select *all* elements displayed.



Add	
Apply	

21. Now apply the loads and boundary conditions to the end of the pipe.

The ends of the pipe are to be fixed in all translations. The upper rigid surface will then be forced down into the pipe and lower rigid surface forced up into the pipe.

Create

Displacement

#### ♦ Load/BCs

Action:

Object:

Method:

OK

New Set Name

Input Data...

*Translations* <*T1*,*T2*,*T3*>

Rotations <R1,R2,R3>

Select Application Region...

Geometry Filter

Nodal end\_disp < 0, 0, 0 > < 0, 0, 0 >

♦ FEM

Click in the *Select Nodes* databox, and screen select the nodes (while holding down shift) at both ends of the pipe as shown in Figure 7.9:





22. Next, you will create the enforced displacement on the upper rigid body.

Post the group **fem\_all**.

#### Group/Post...





New Set Name

Input Data... Translations <T1,T2,T3> fem\_all

top\_rigid\_down

< 0, -2.2, 0>



Figure 7.10 - Reference nodes for rigid surface displacements



23. The last boundary condition is the enforced displacement on the lower rigid body.

New Set Name

Input Data...

bottom\_rigid\_up



24. Now create the **Load and Boundary Conditions** for the contact.

Action: Create **Object:** Contact **Element Uniform** Method: **Rigid-Deform Option:** New Set Name contact\_top Input Data... Select the top reference node. Reference Node See Figure 7.10 OK Select Application Region... Geometry Filter ♦ FEM **Rigid Surface** Master Surface **Shell Surface** Slave Surface Active Region Master Select Shell Elements see Figure 7.11

Add

Active Region

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Select Shell Elements

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Repeat the same procedure for the bottom

Action:

Object:

Method:

Option:

New Set Name

Input Data...

Create
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Contact

Element Uniform

**Rigid-Deform** 

contact\_bottom

Reference Node

Select the bottom reference node. See Figure 7.10

OK

#### Select Application Region...

Geometry Filter

Master Surface

Slave Surface

Active Region

Clear

Select Shell Elements

Add

Active Region

Clear

Select Shell Elements

Add	
OK	
Apply	

◆ FEM

**Rigid Surface** 

Shell Surface

Master

see Figure 7.12

Slave

see Figure 7.12



Figure 7.12 - Elements representing lower pipe contact

Your model should now look like the picture shown in Figure 7.13:



Figure 7.13 - Correct contact normal definitions

**Note:** If the arrows on your model are pointing the opposite direction then you must perform this step. If not skip to the next step.

#### ♦ Load/BCs

Select Application Region	
Salact Application Pagion	7
Select Set to Modify	contact_bottom or top
Option:	Rigid-Deform
Method:	Element Uniform
Object:	Contact
Action:	Modify

**Reverse Contact Direction** 

OK	
Annles	
Арріу	

25. Your model is now ready for analysis.

#### ♦ Analysis

Action:

Object:

Method:

Job Name

Step Creation...

Job Step Name

Solution Type:

Solution Parameters...

Large Deflections/Strains

Max No. of Increments Allowed

Riks Method

Automatic Load Increments

OK	
Apply	

Analyze Entire Model Full Run

pipe\_crush2

pipe\_crush
Nonlinear Static

ON 🗆	
100	
OFF 🗆	
ON 🗆	

Cancel

Note: The default load case contains all the loads required to run this step and is selected by default.

# Step Selection... Selected Job Steps Apply Apply

The non-linear analysis job "pipe\_crush2" will then be submitted for analysis to the workstation designated in the Submit Script (usually your local workstation).

The analysis job will take (on average) 5 to 10 minutes to run. When the job is done there will be a results file titled **pipe\_crush2.fil** in the same directory you started MSC/PATRAN in. The **pipe\_crush2.023** file will disappear.

Again, you can monitor the progression of the job by looking at **pipe\_crush2.msg** and **pipe\_crush2.sta** as well as using the UNIX commands *ps -a* and *tail -lf pipe\_crush2.msg*.

**Read Results** 

crush2.fil

26. Read in the results.

#### ♦ Analysis

Action:

Select Results File...

Selected Results File

Apply

27. Post the group "fem\_all" for post processing.

#### Group/Post...

Select Groups to Post

fem_all	
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Apply

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Cancel

28. Change the Display Properties for results.

#### Display/Results...

Scale Factor

1.0	)		

**♦** Direct Multiplication

#### **Show Undeformed Entities**

Apply	
Cancel	

Hit the *Refresh* button in the *Main window* in order to redisplay your model.



**Refresh Graphics** 

29. Use **Results** to post process the results of the analysis.

To display the results, click on the Results switch in the Main Window.

#### Results

Form Type:

Select Results Cases

Select Deformation Result

Basic	
Select the last increment	t

**Deformation, Displacement** 

Apply

Your model should appear as shown in Figure 7.14:

Figure 7.14 - Deformation of pipe



30. Create an animation of the Deformation Von Mises Stresses using



Number of Frames

15

ОК	
Apply	

This concludes the exercise.