

Parametric Design and Structural Optimization for Early Design Exploration



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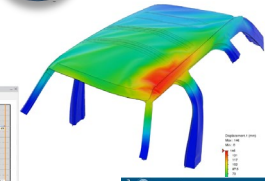
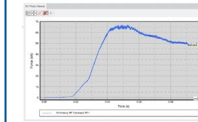
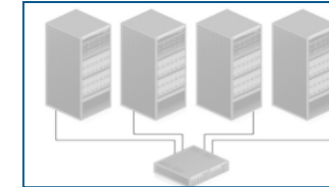
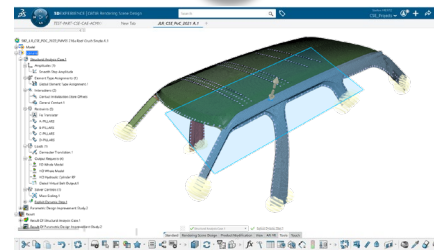
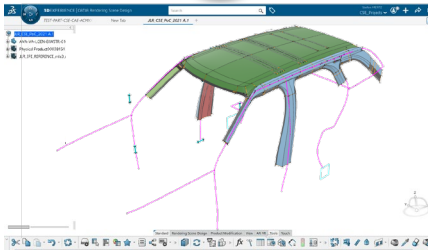
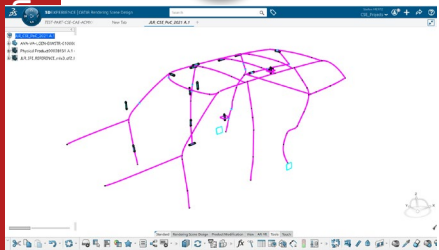
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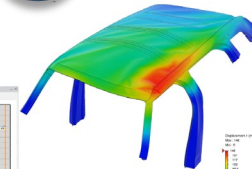
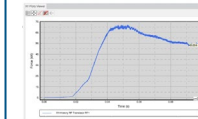
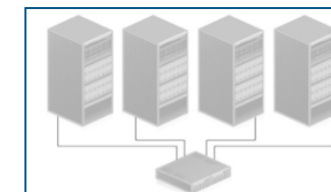
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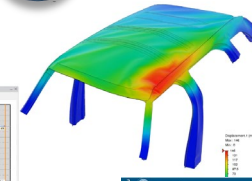
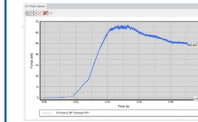
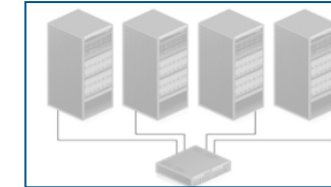
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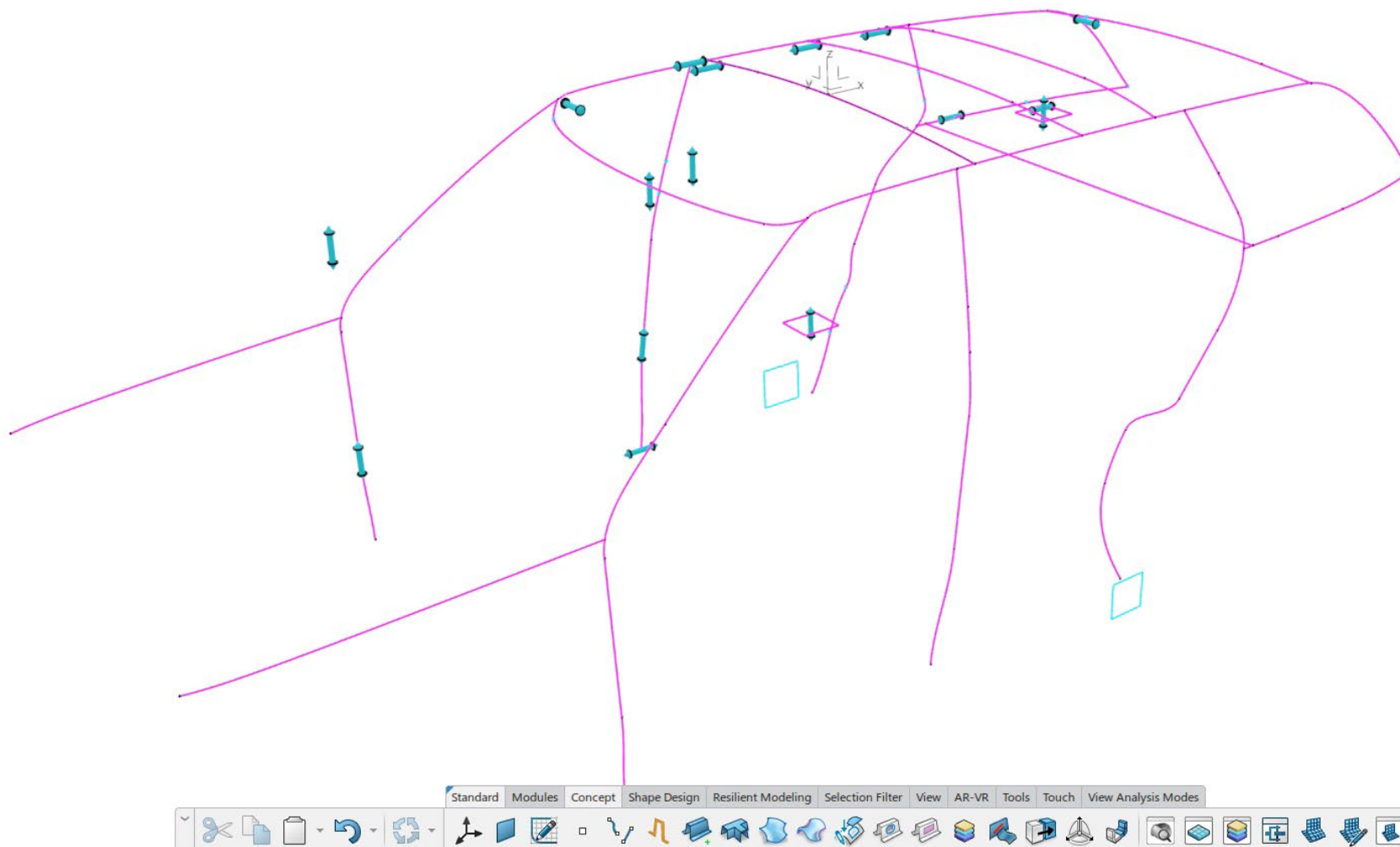
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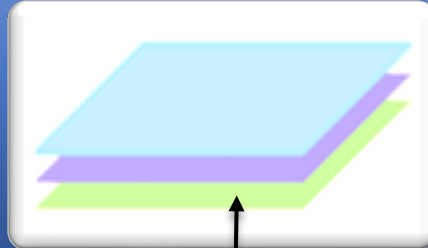
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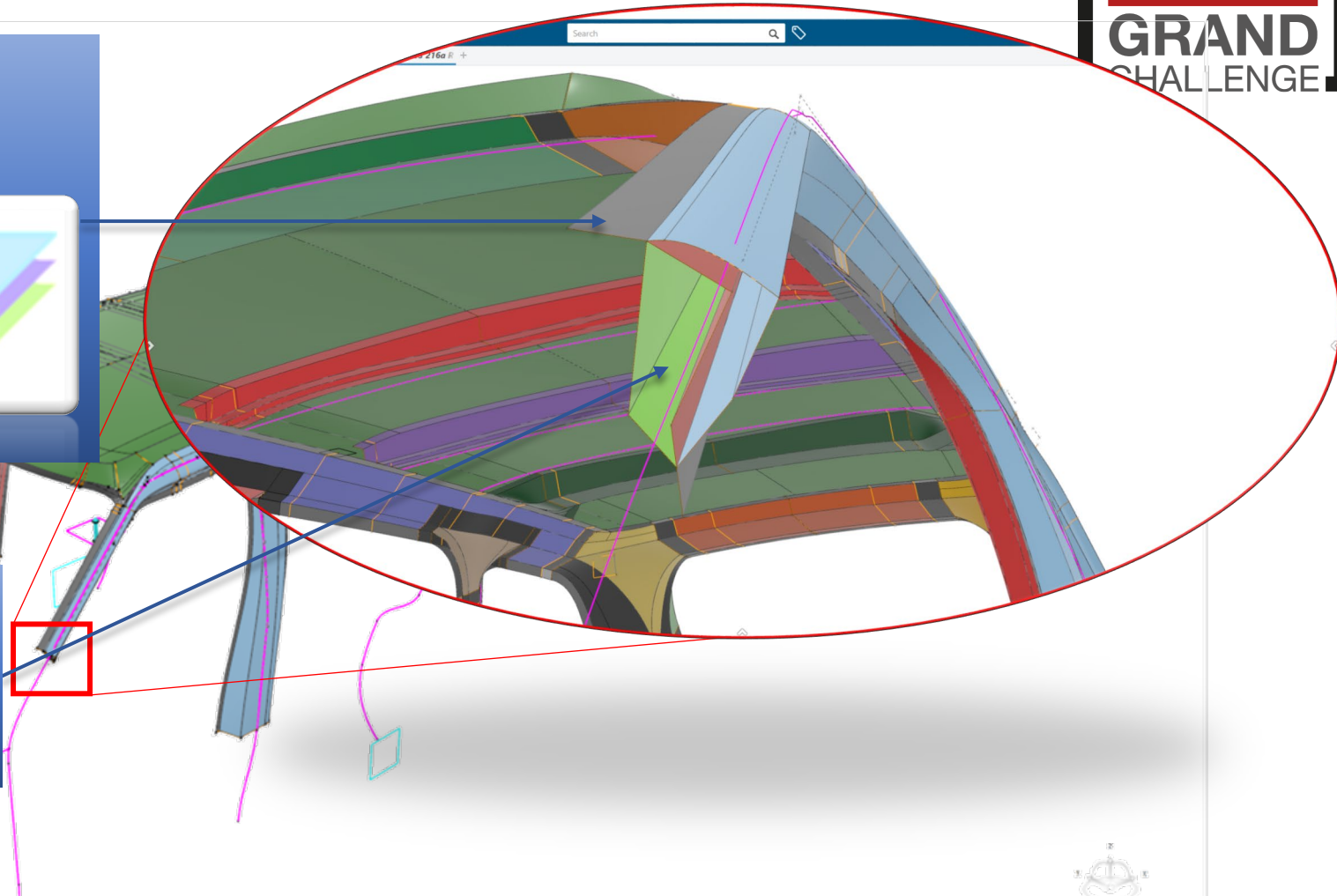
STACKING attribute on surface:

- ✓ Stacking of several LAYERs
- ✓ Connections



LAYER attribute on surface:

- ✓ Material reference
- ✓ Layer thickness

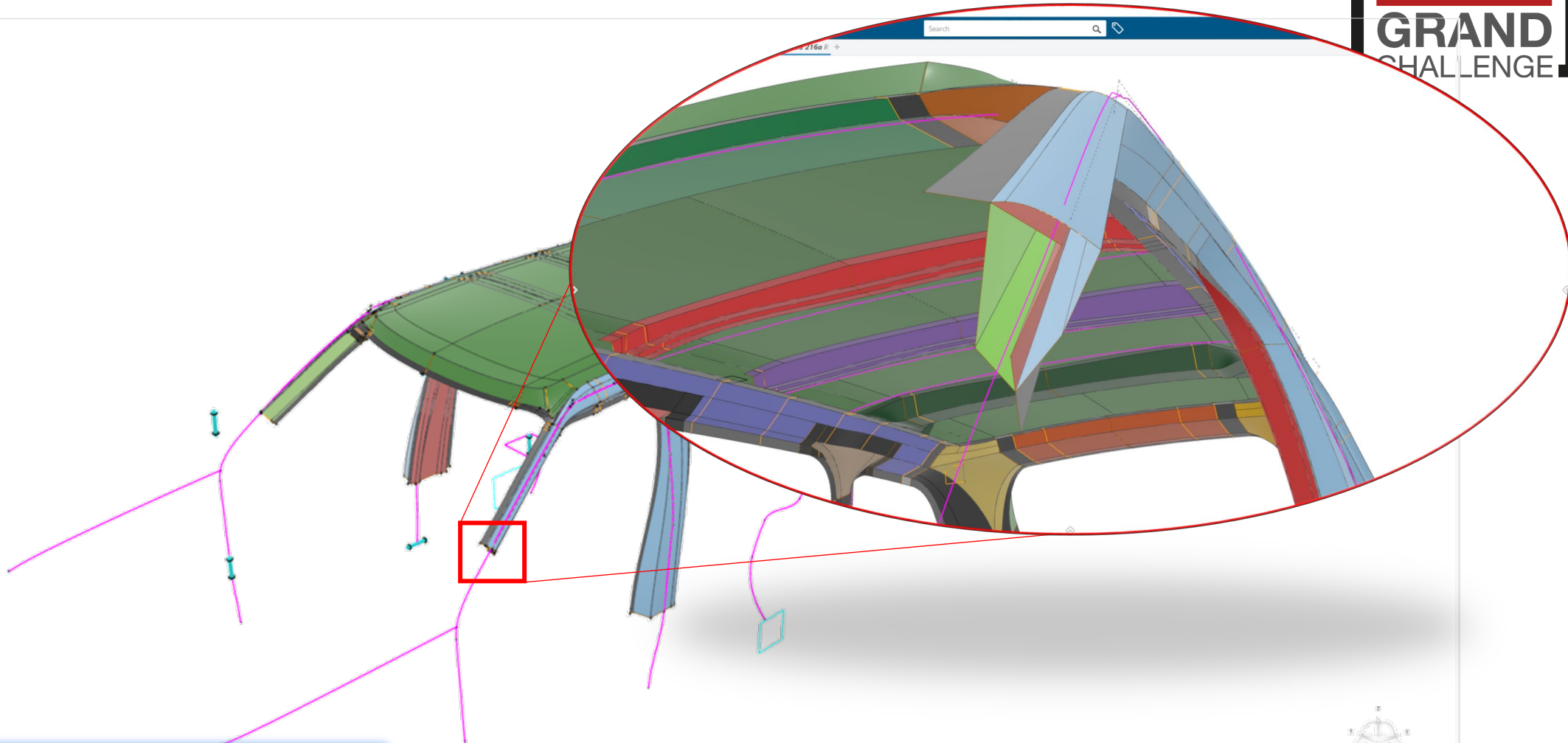


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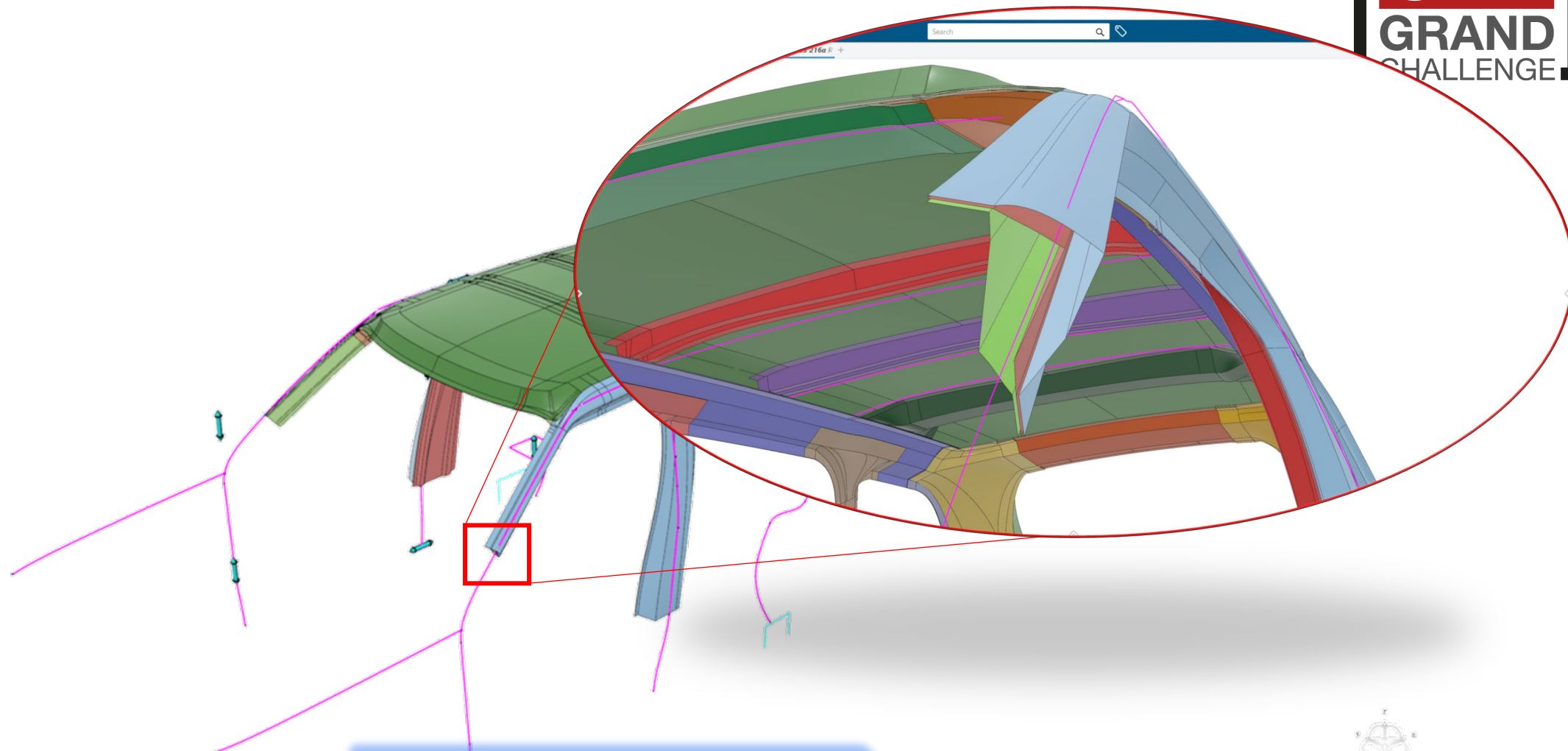


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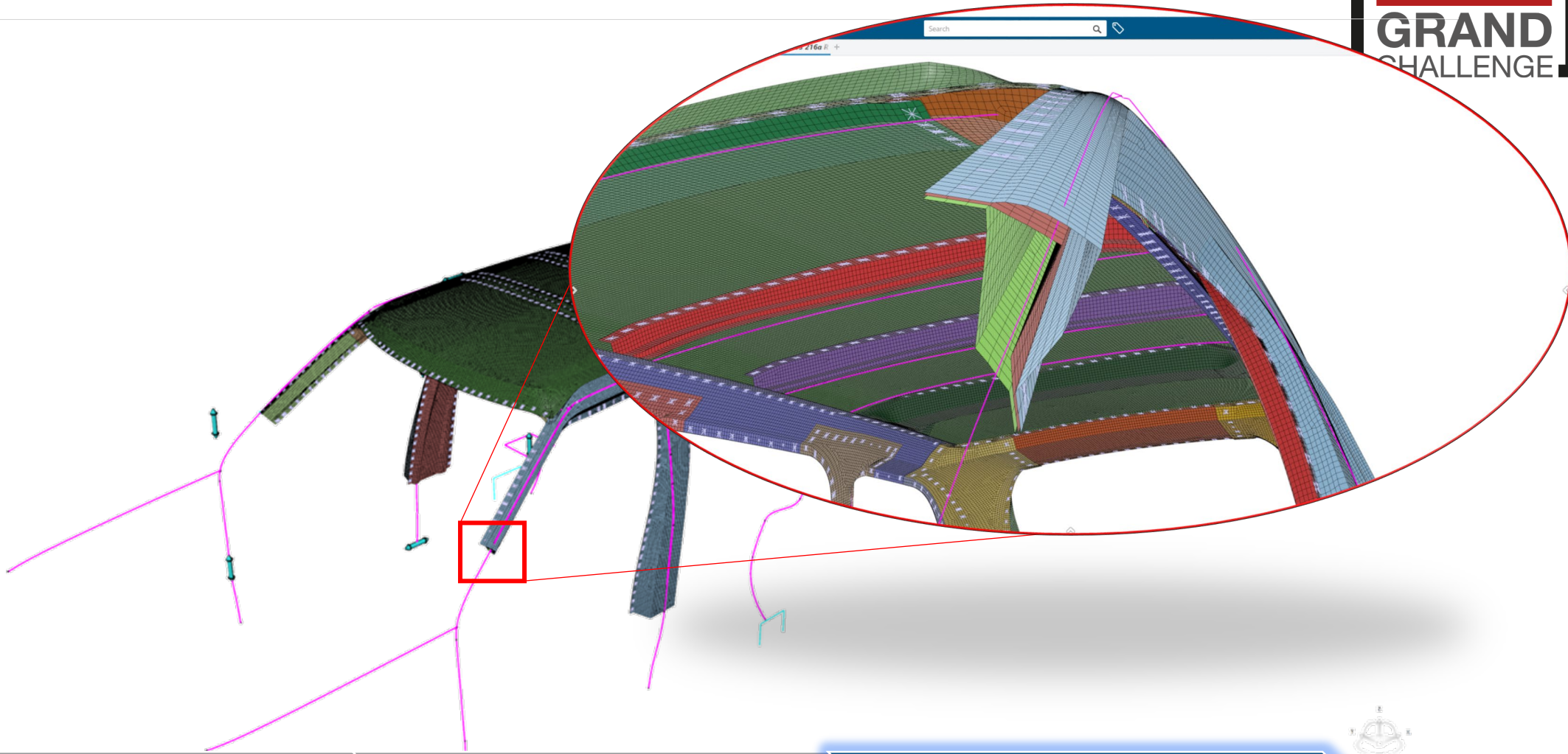


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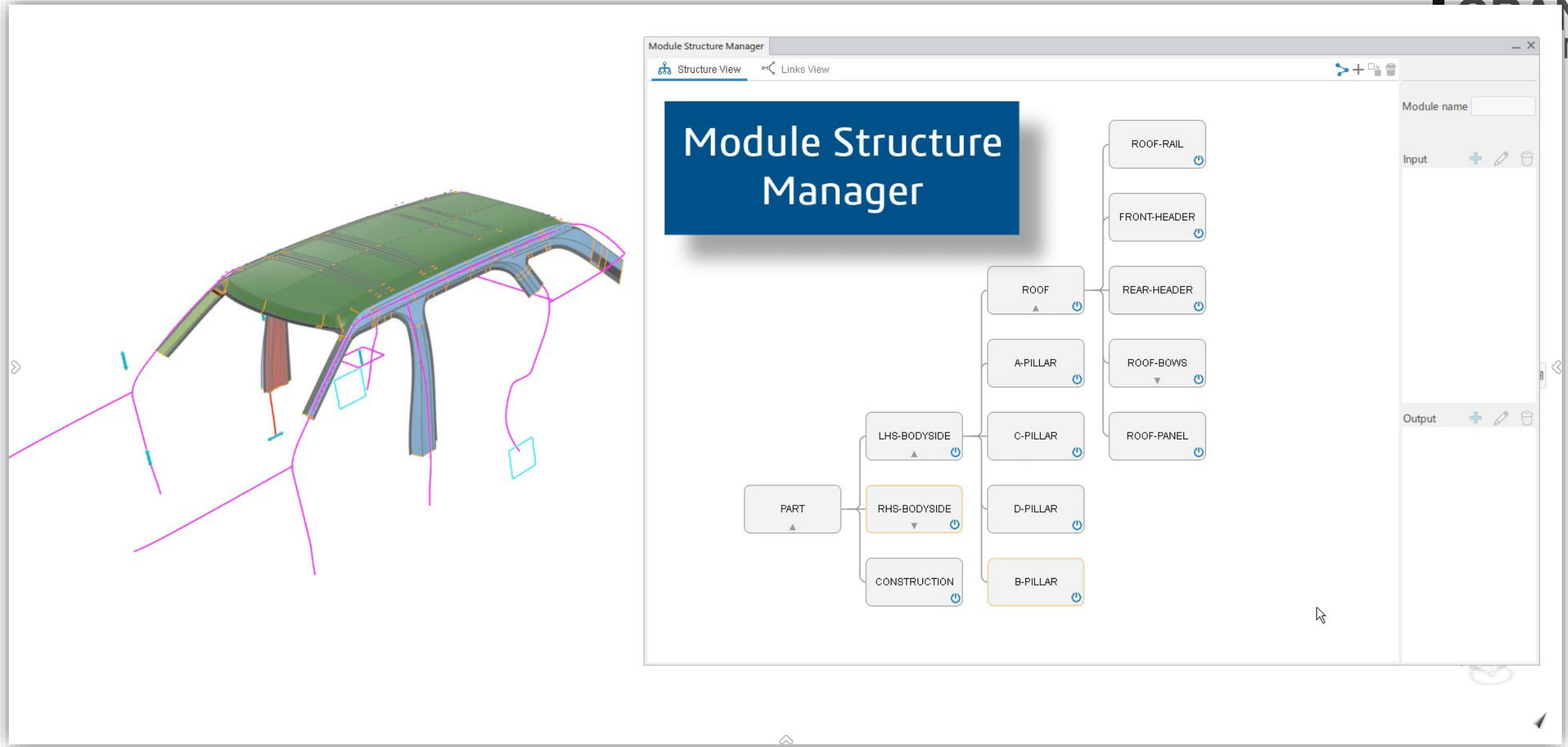


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Modules – module structure manager



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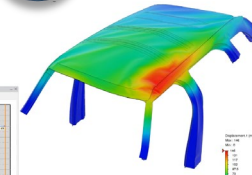
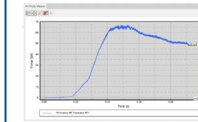
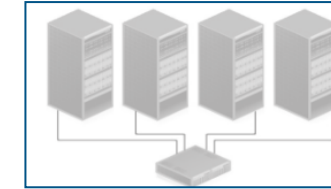
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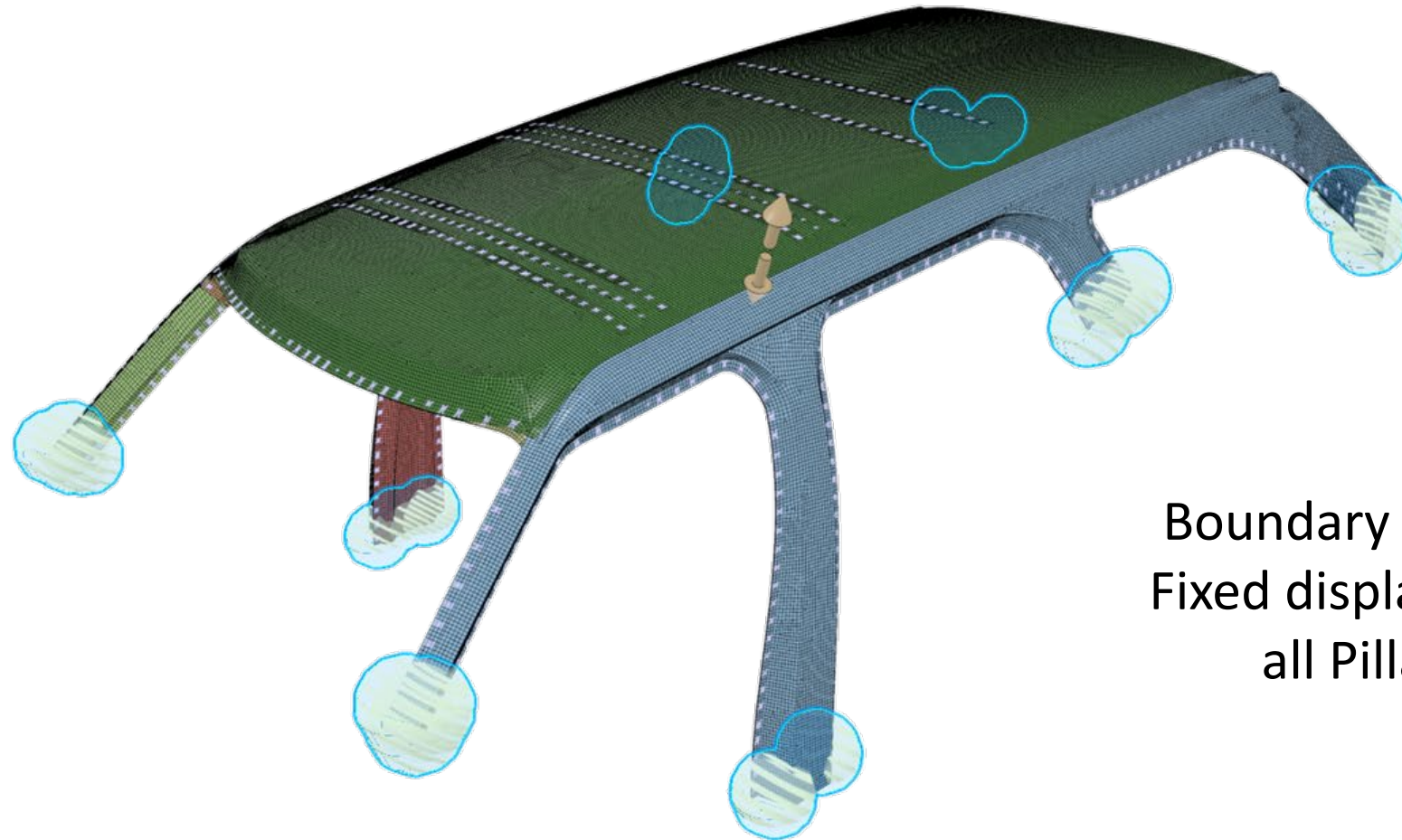
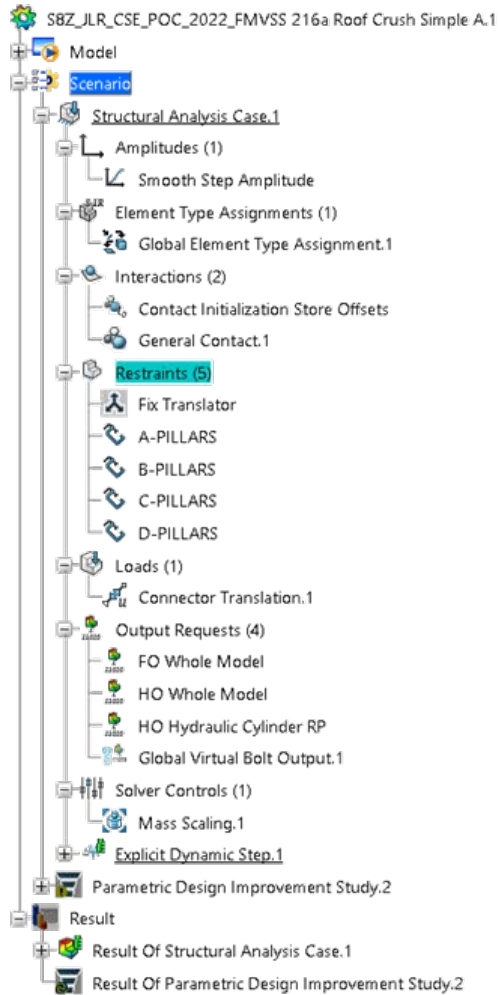
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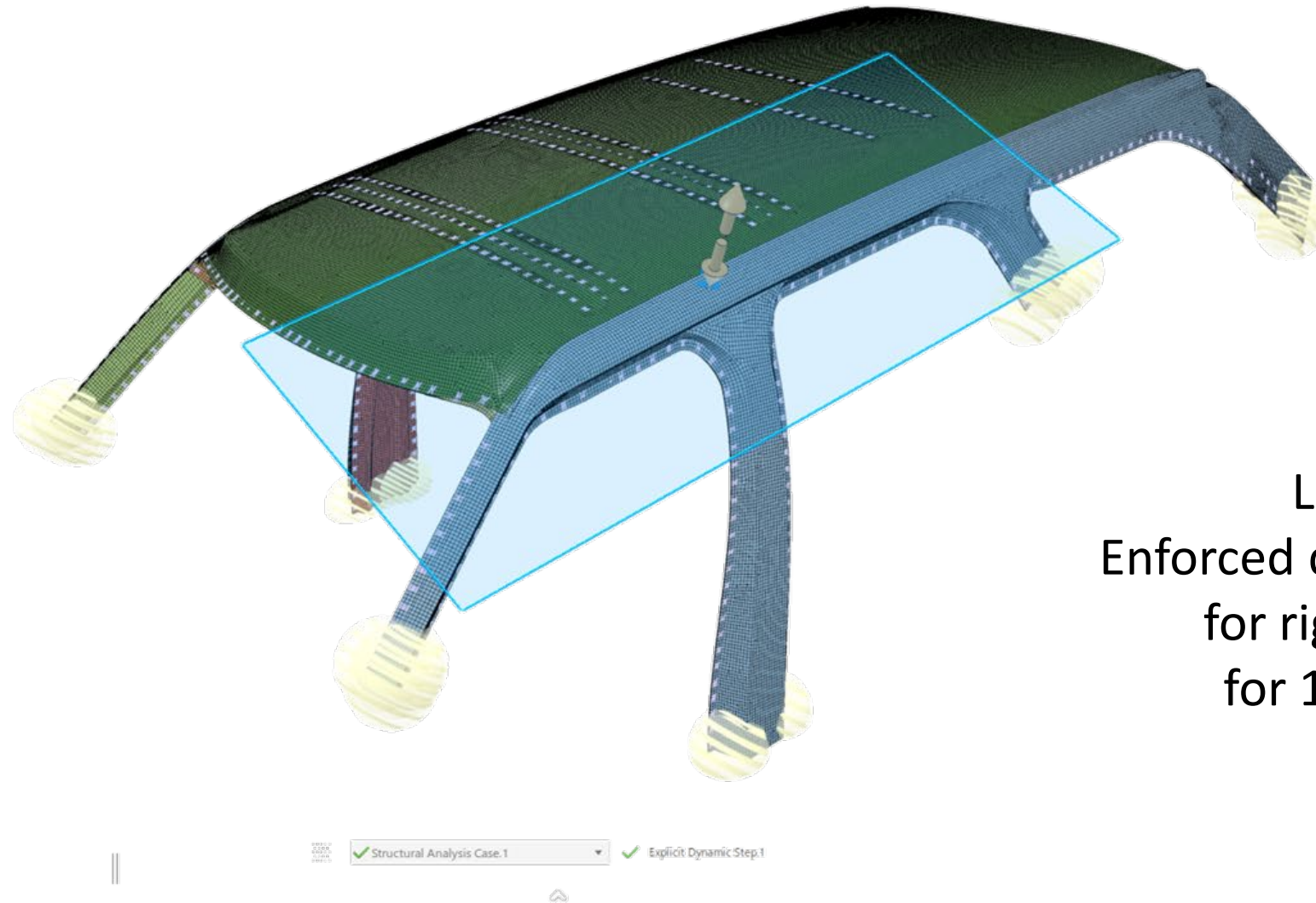
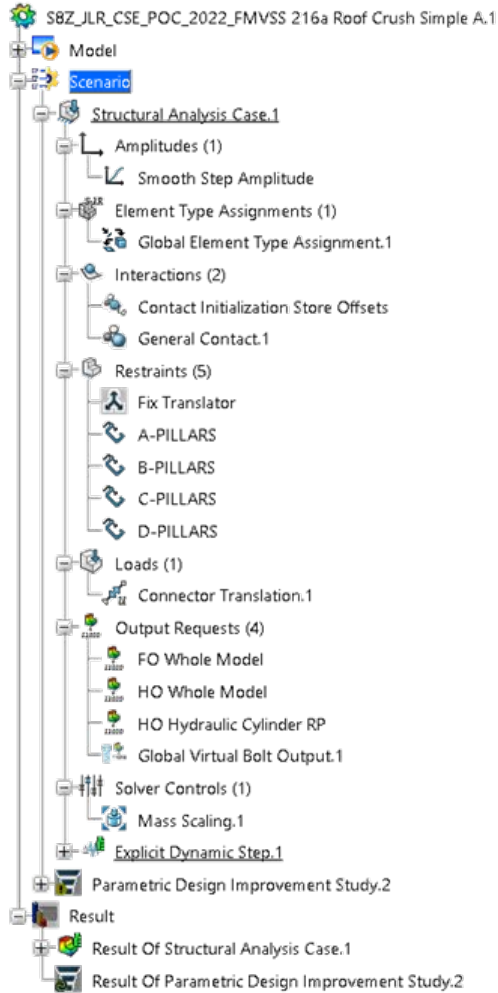
FMVSS 216a Roof Crush scenario



Boundary Conditions:
Fixed displacements of
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Load:
Enforced displacement
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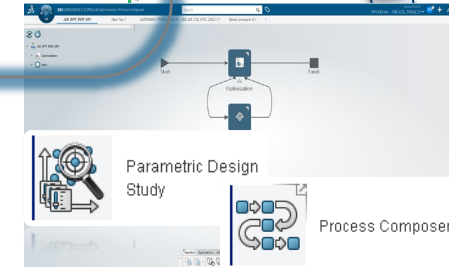
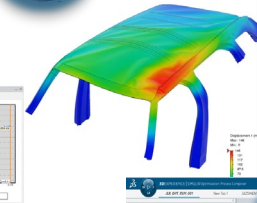
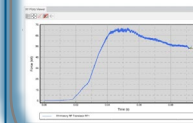
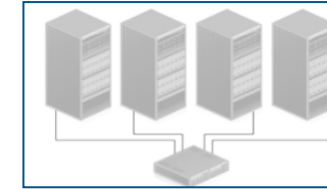
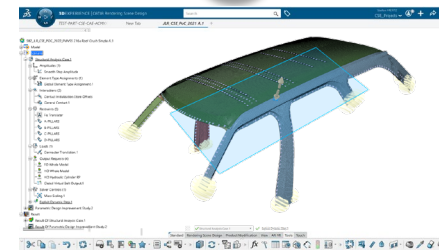
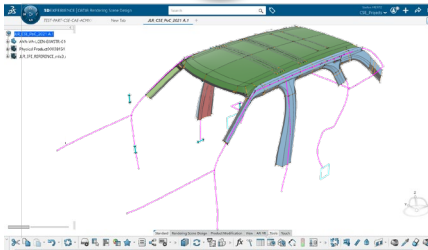
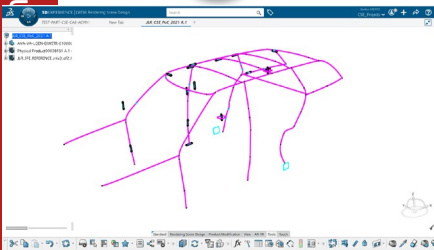
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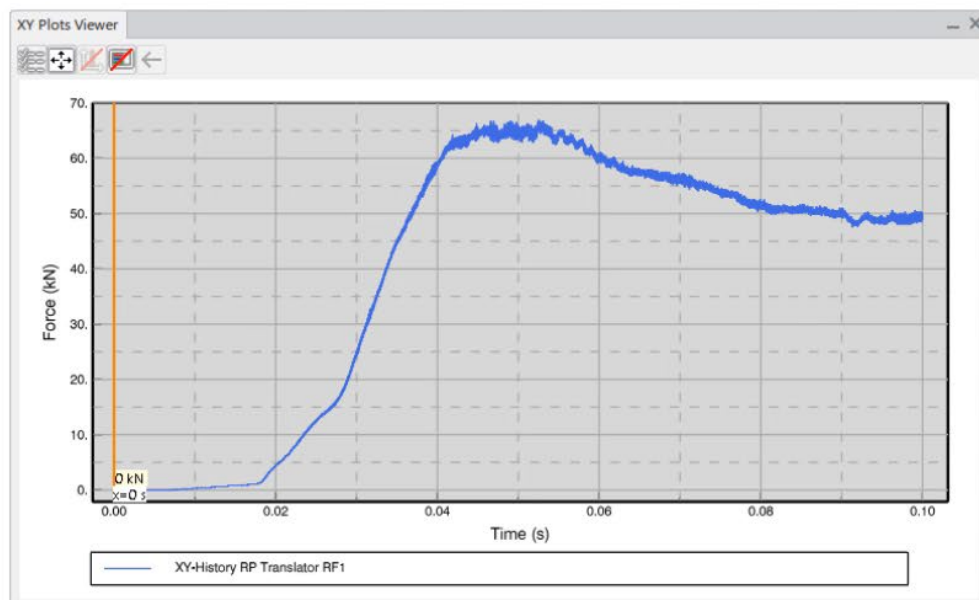
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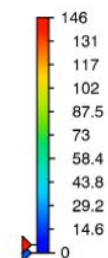
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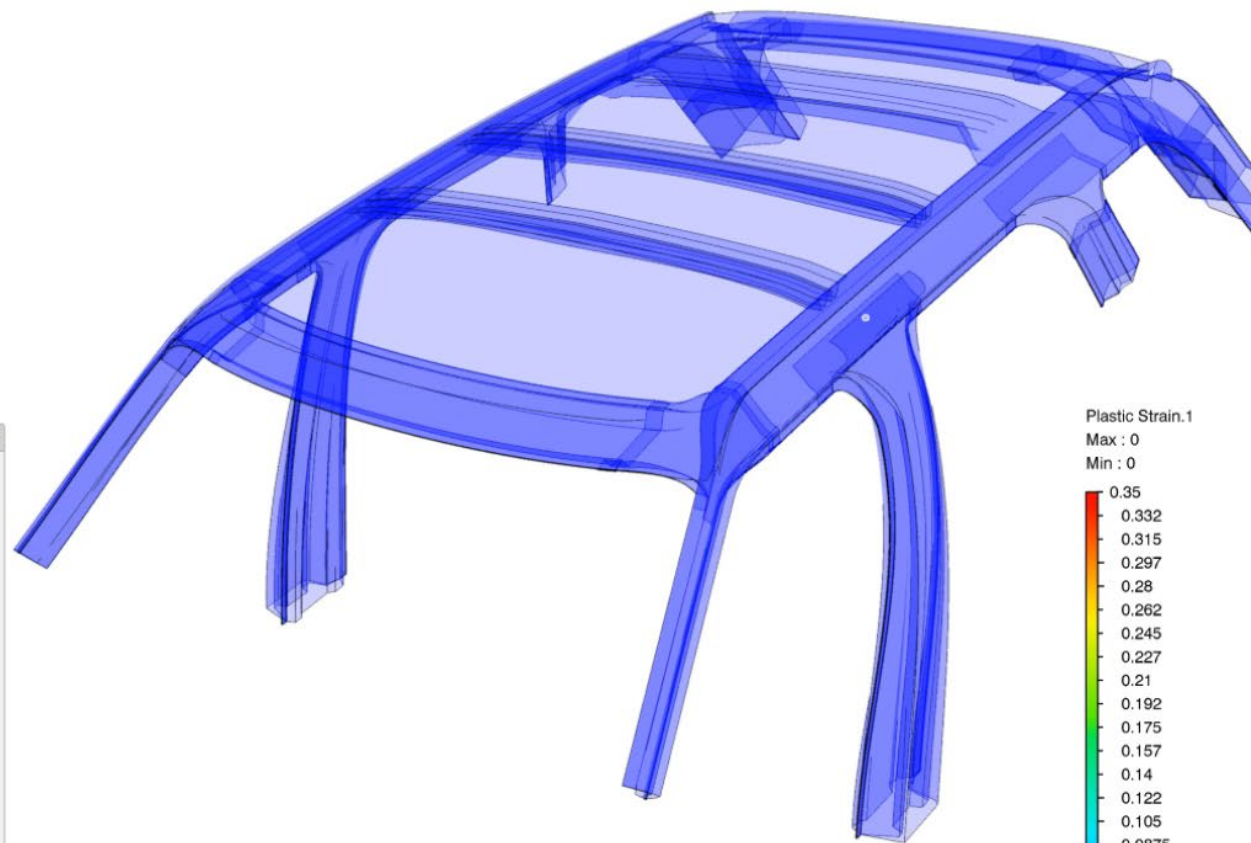


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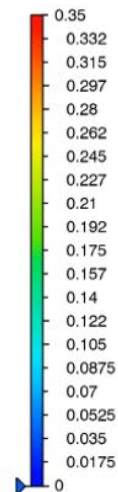


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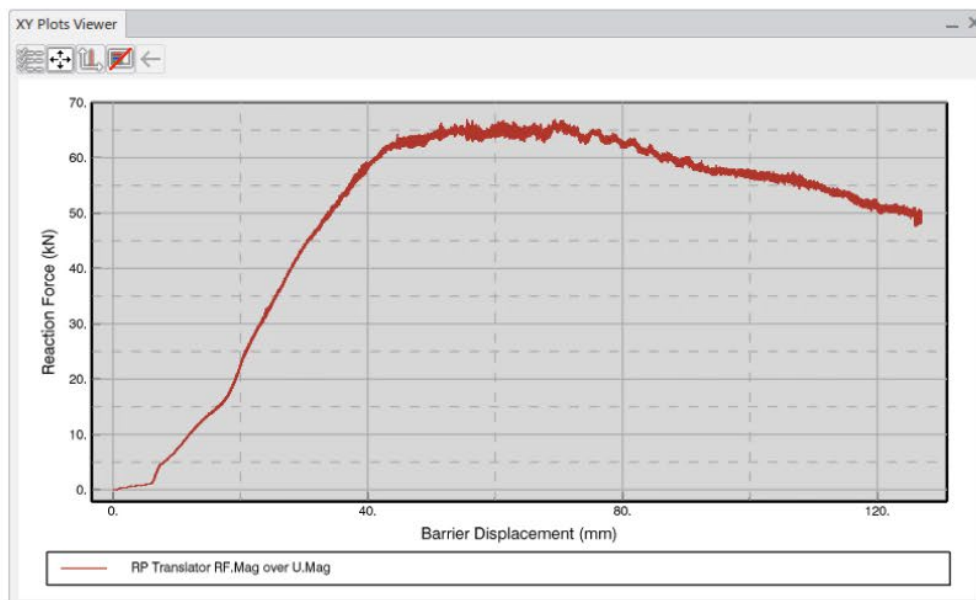
Scenario results



Plastic Strain.1
Max : 0
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Top & Bottom
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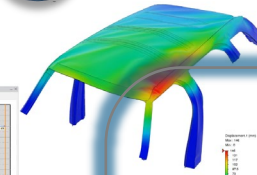
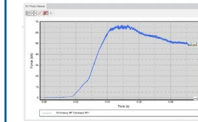
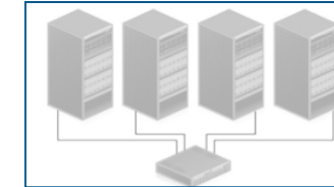
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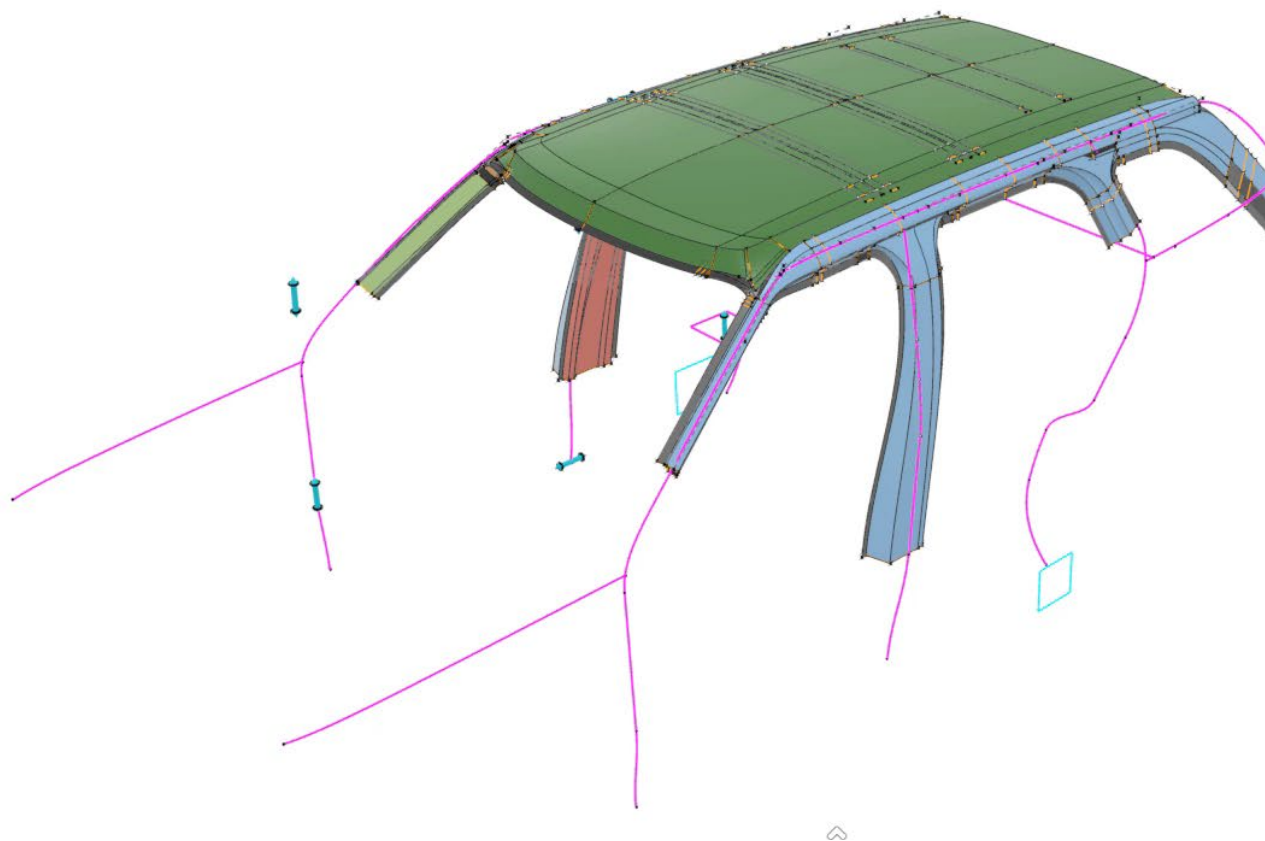
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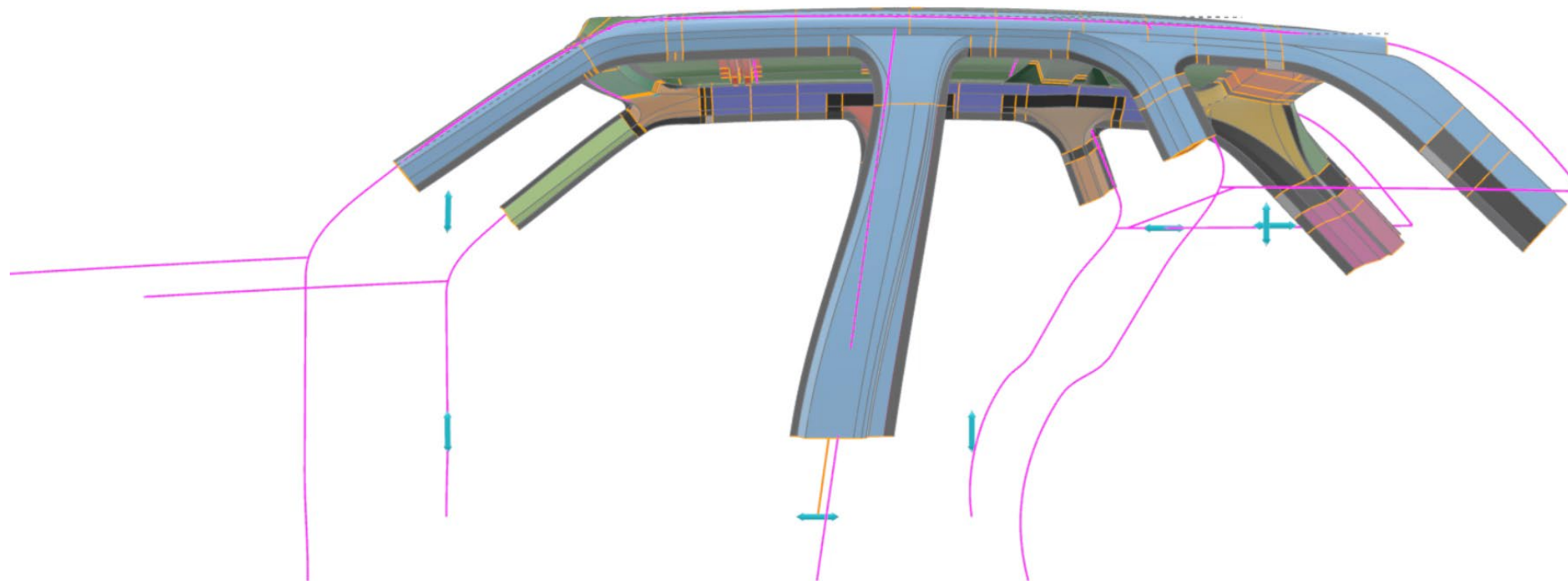


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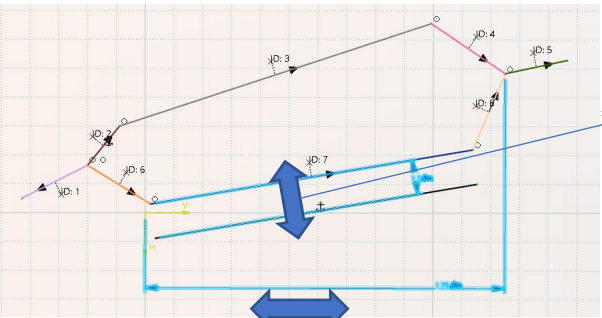
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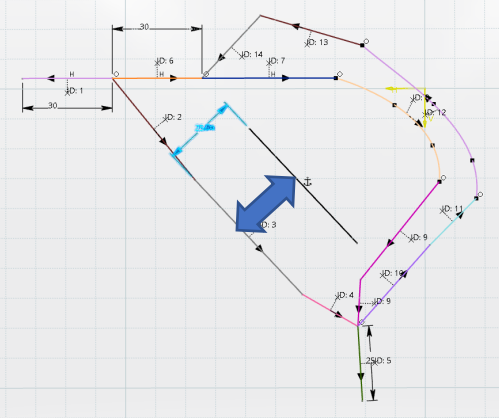


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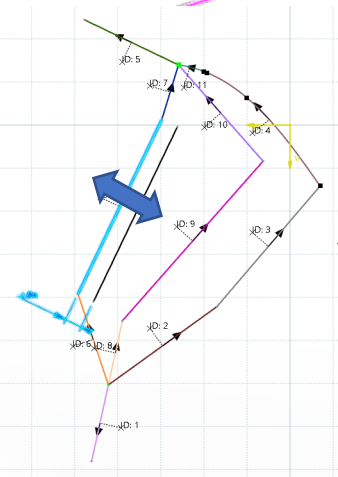


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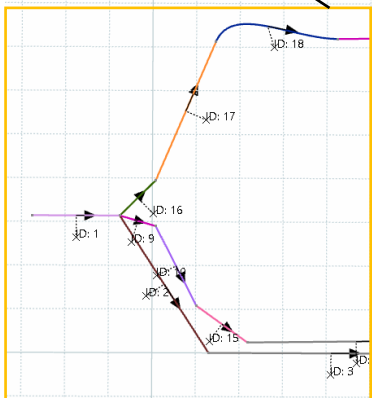
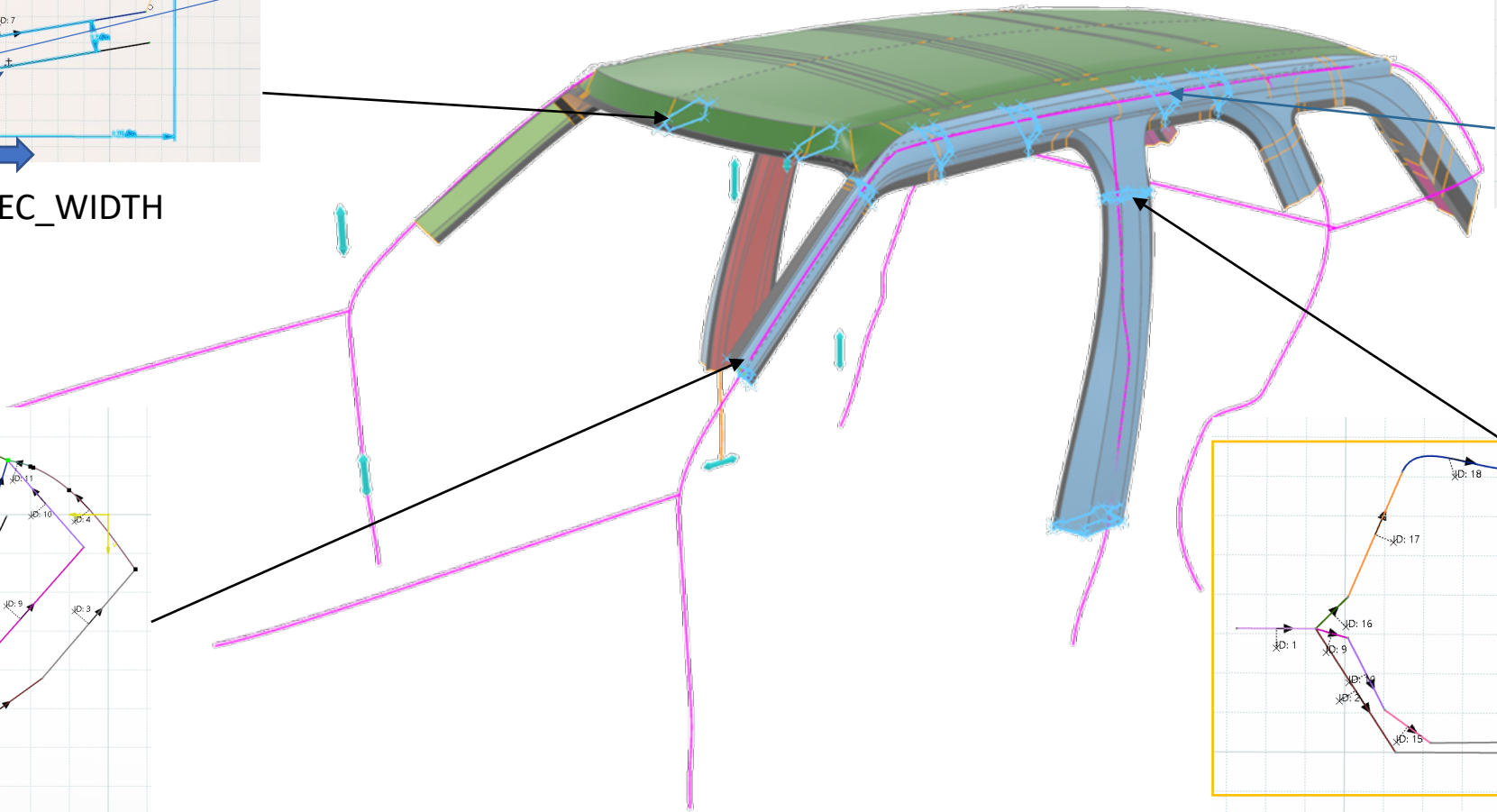
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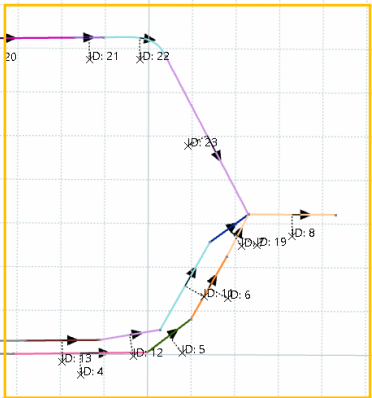
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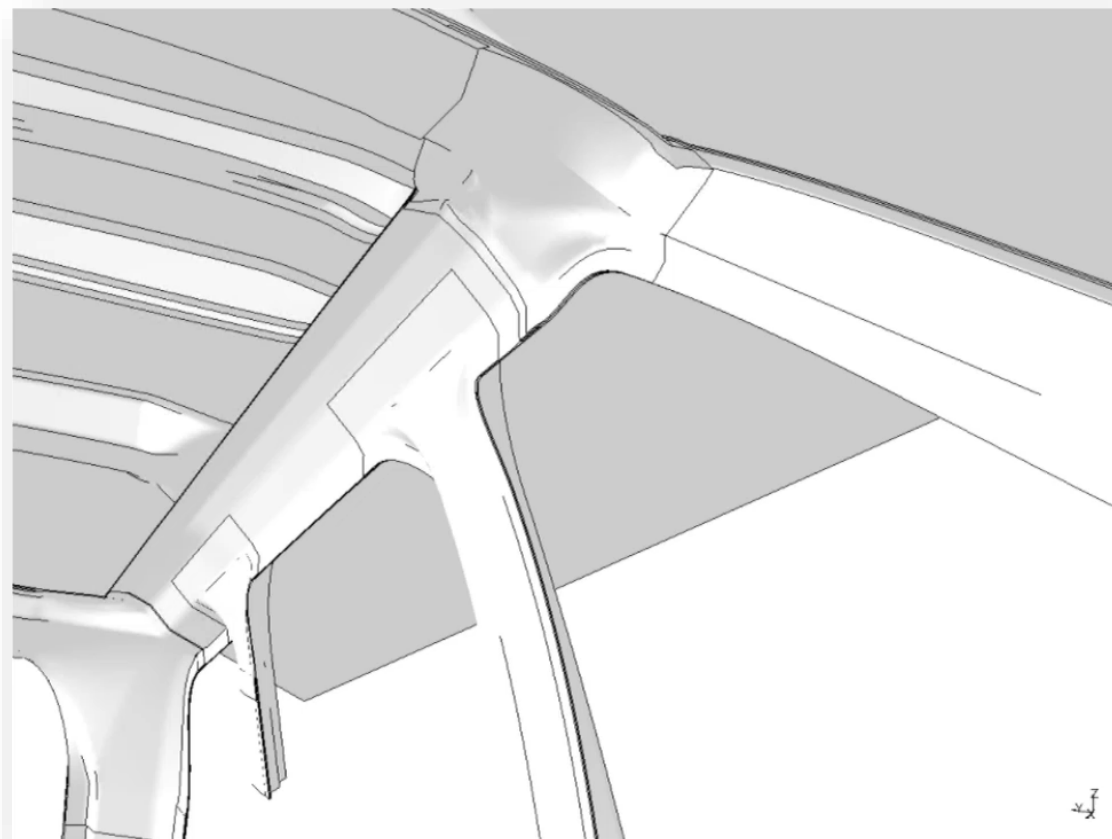
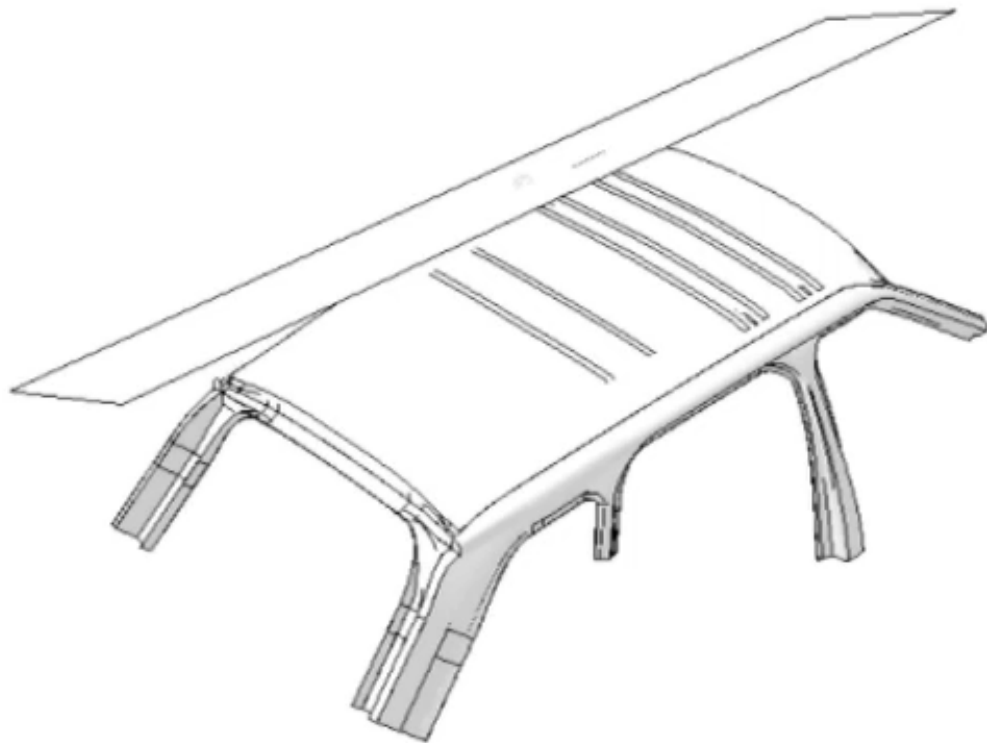
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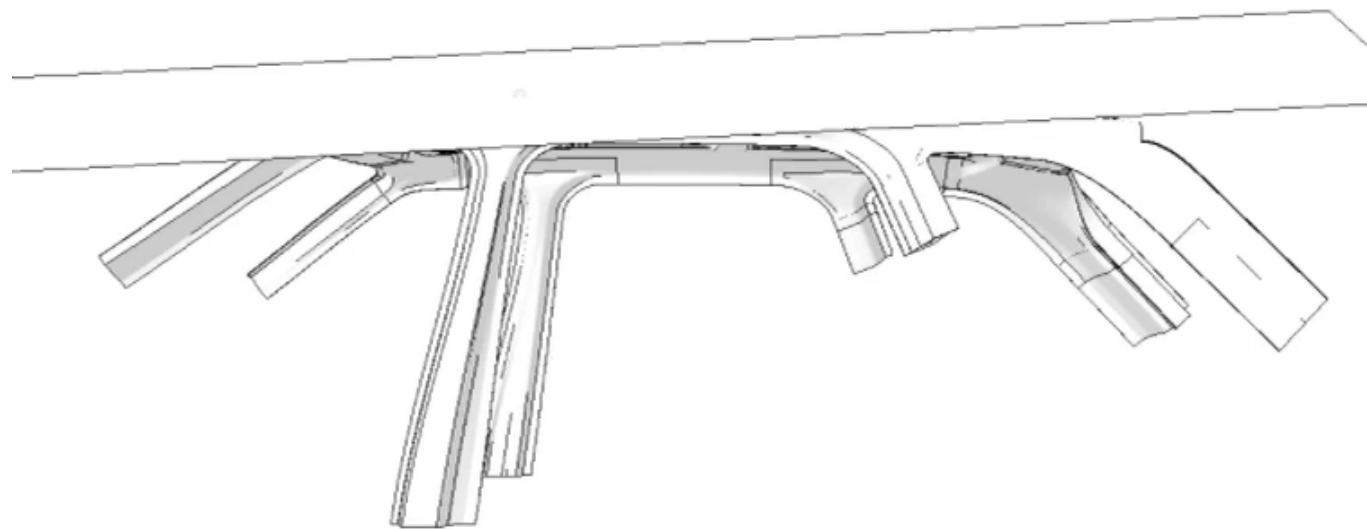
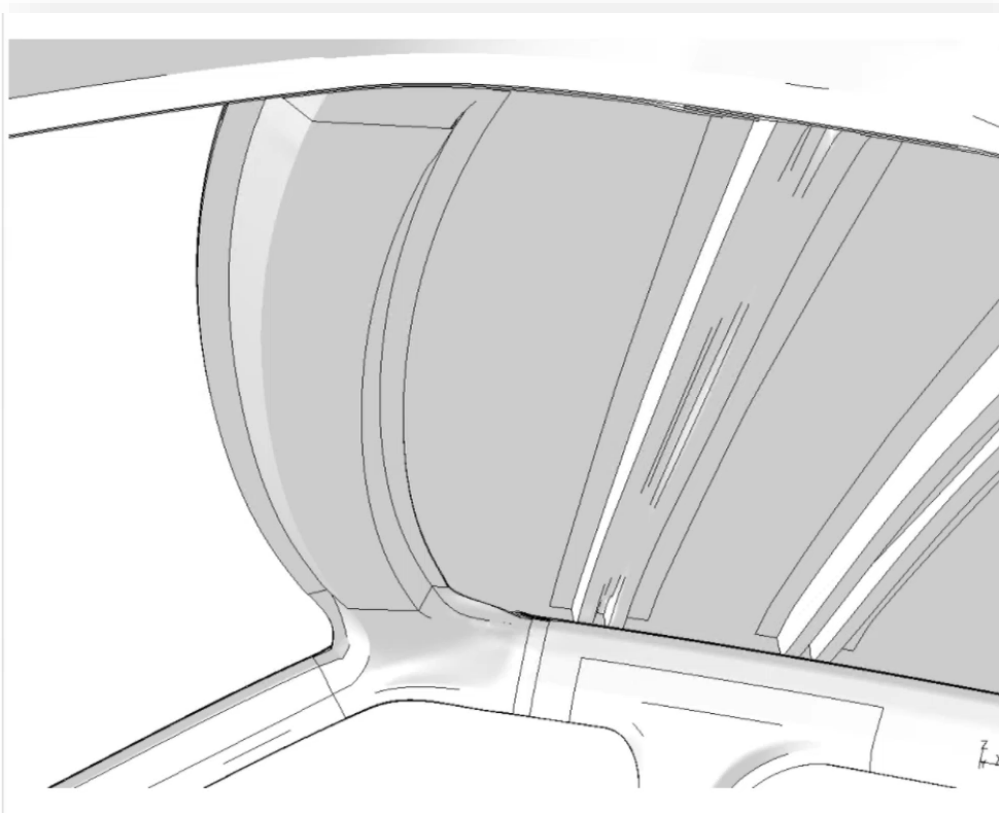
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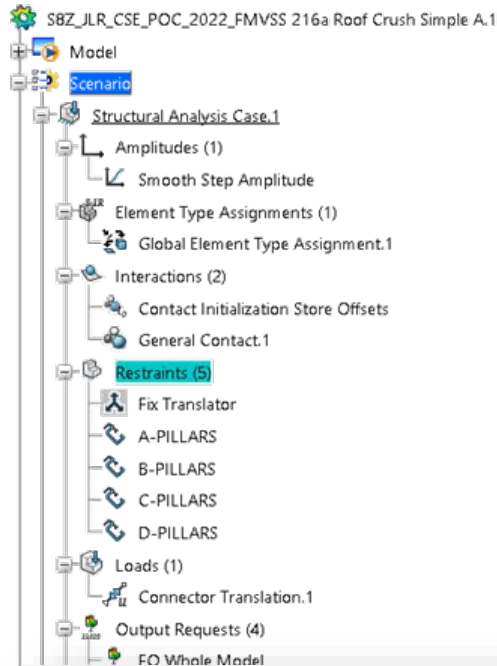
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parametric design study - setup



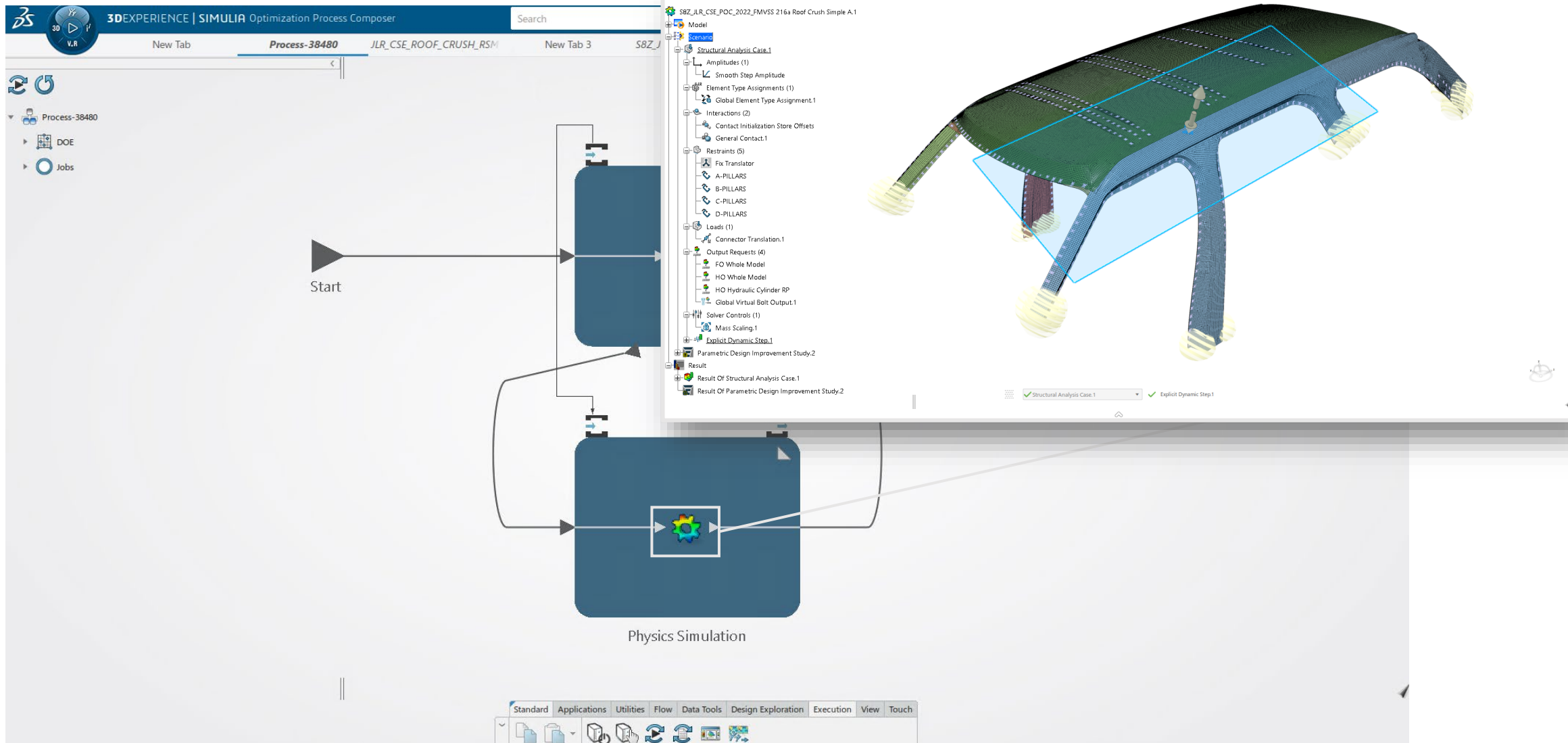
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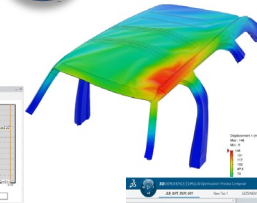
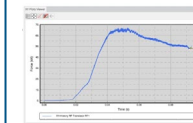
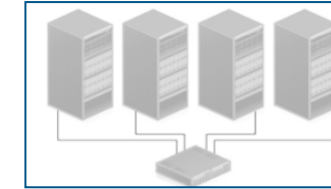
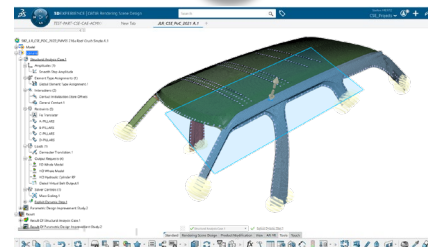
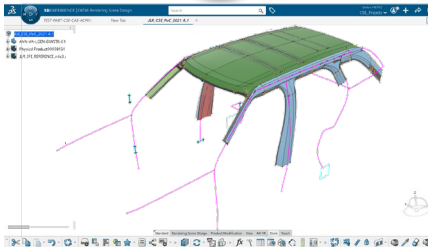
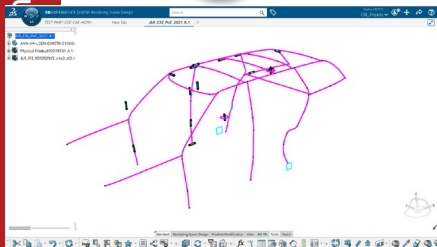
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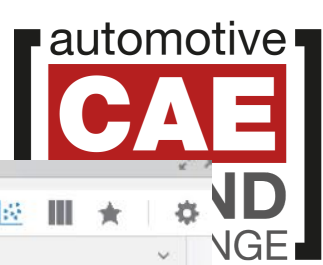
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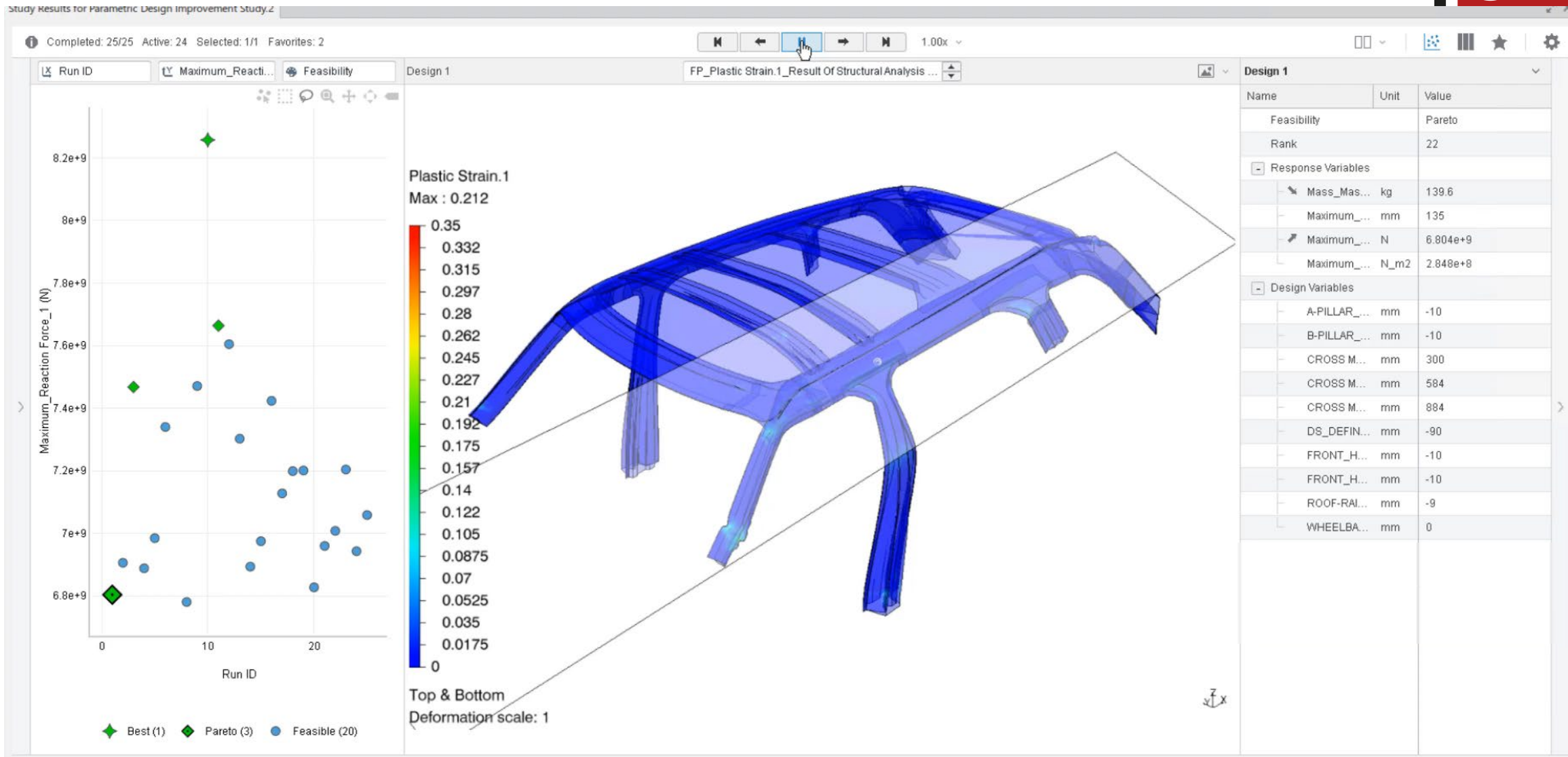
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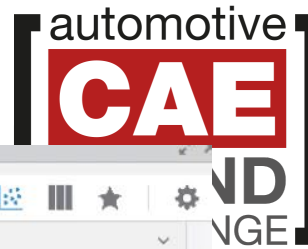
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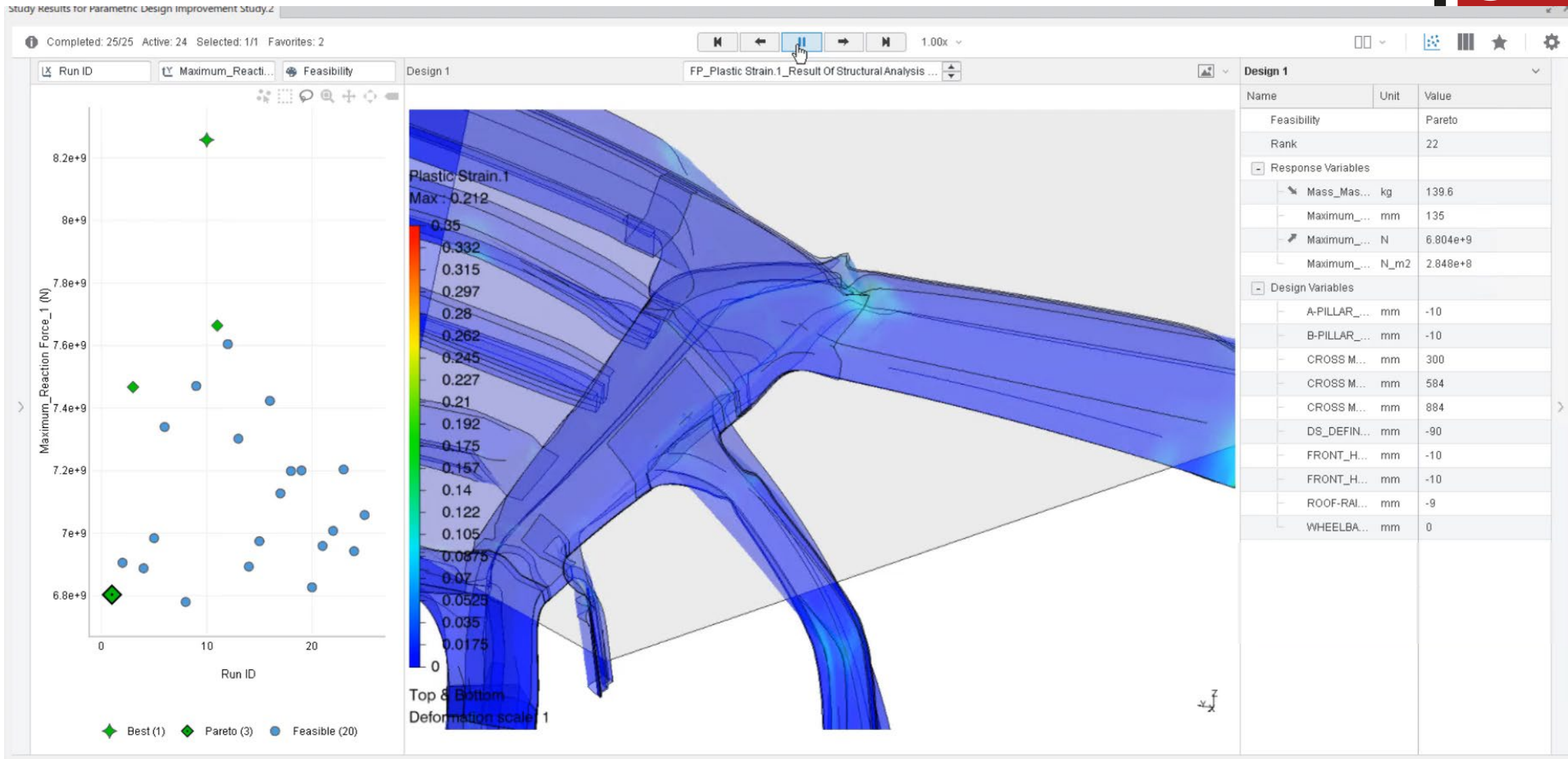


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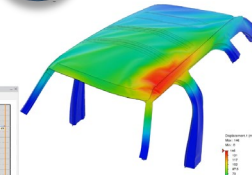
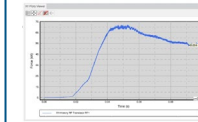
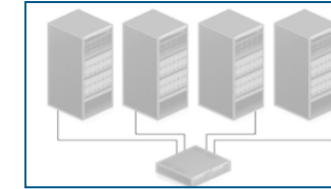
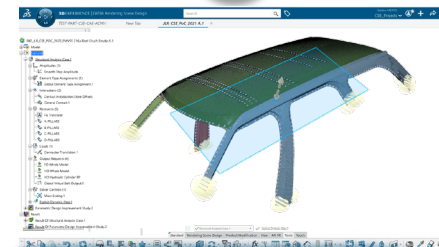
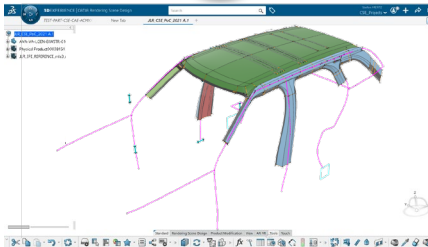
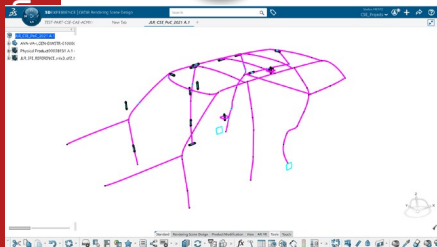
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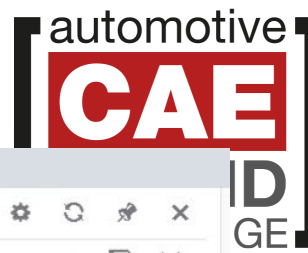
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Results Analytics

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Case Details Requirements Recommended **Guided Analytics** Visual Analytics

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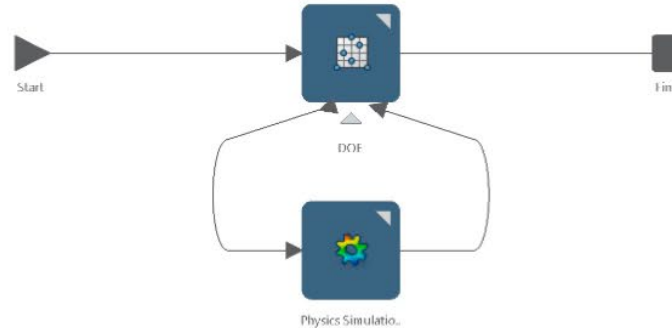
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Methods

Parameter Summary

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Preview

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Define

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Predict

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Compare

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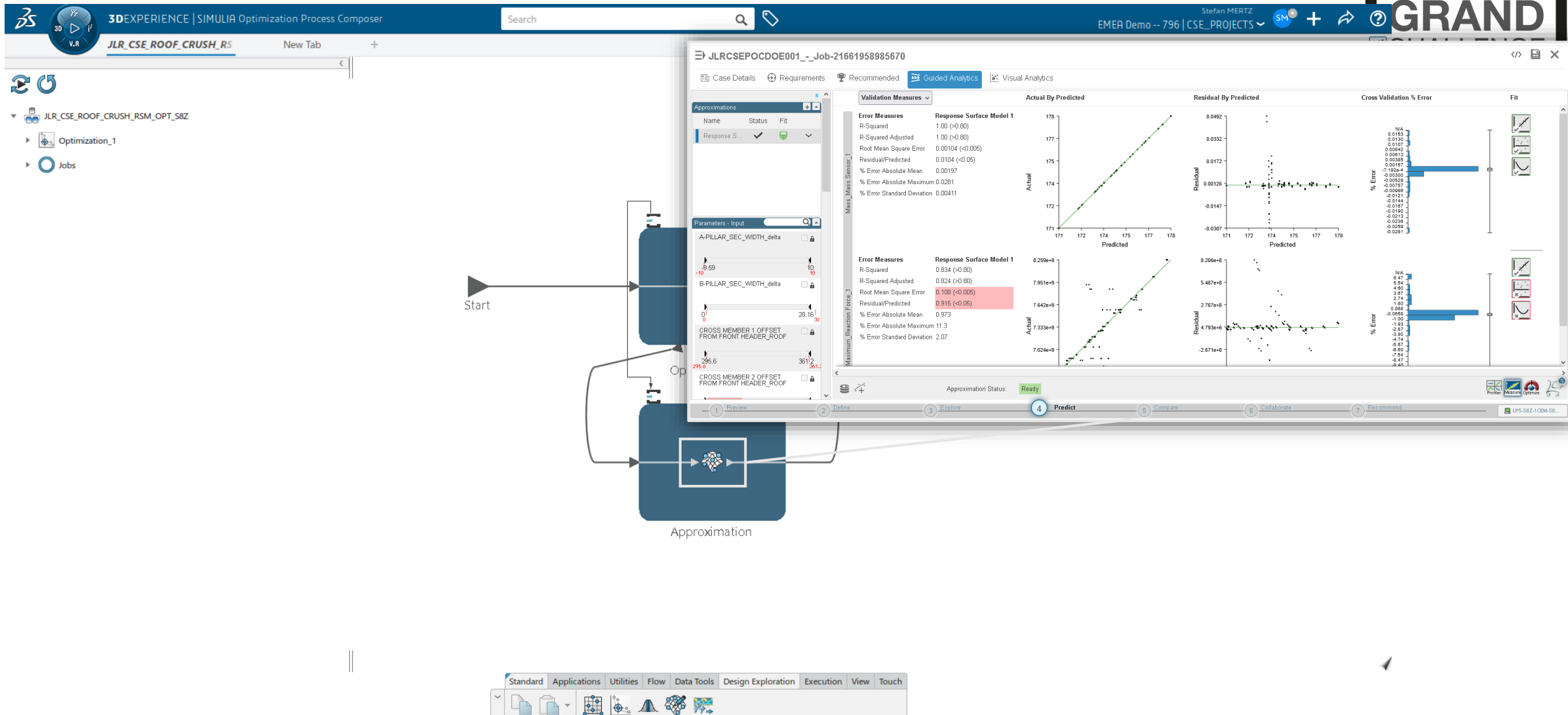
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Optimization with approximation



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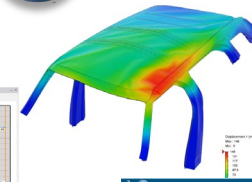
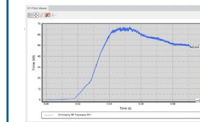
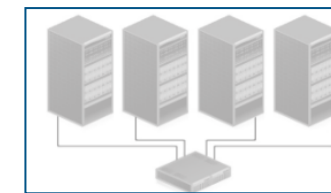
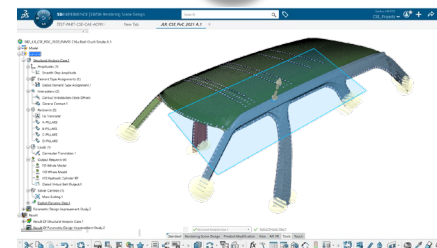
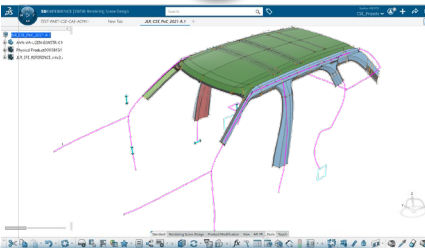
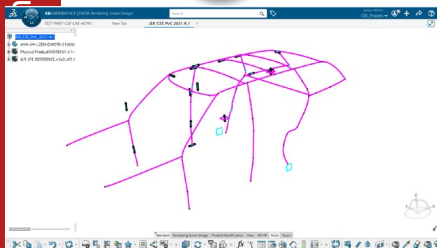
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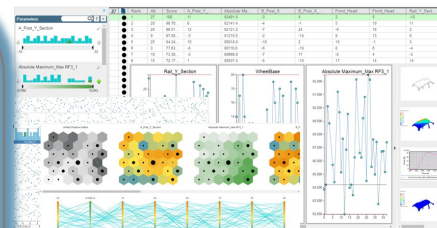
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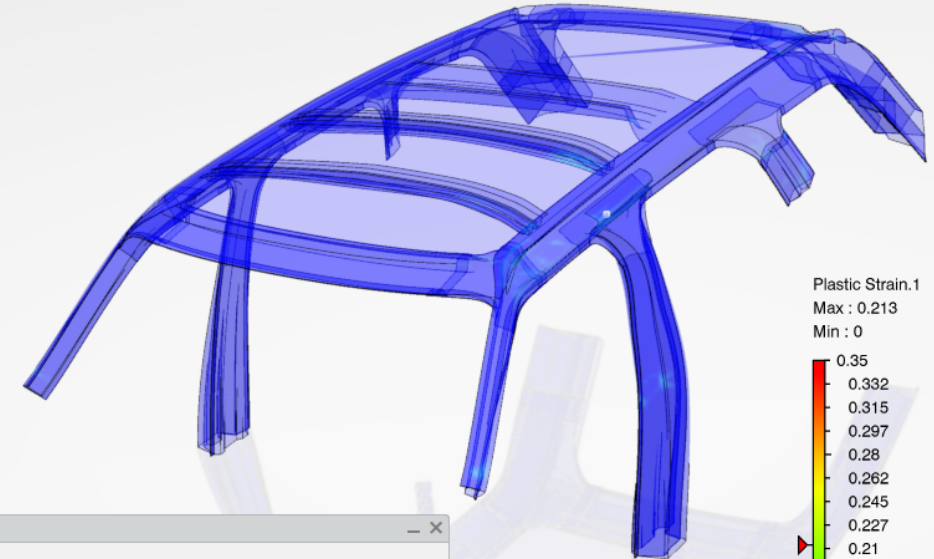
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Approximation Results

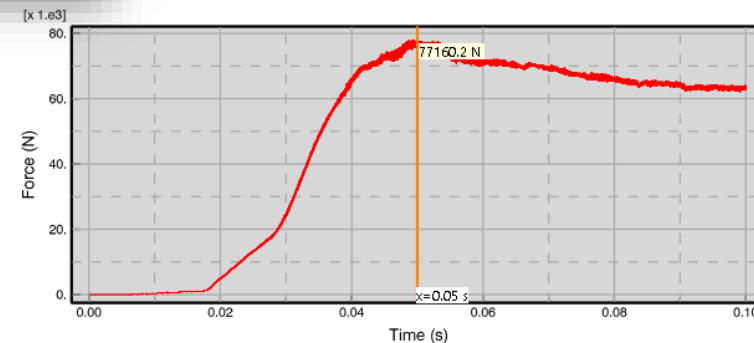
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WHEELBASE_delta	100
Mass_Mass_Sensor_1	171.93352404180126
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Plastic Strain.1
Max : 0.213
Min : 0

0.35
0.332
0.315
0.297
0.28
0.262
0.245
0.227
0.21
0.192
0.175
0.157
0.14
0.122
0.105
0.0875
0.07
0.0525
0.035
0.0175
0

Top & Bottom
Deformation scale: 1
Result Of Structural Analysis Case.1
Explicit Dynamic Step.1 / Frame 6 (0,06 s)



	Approximation	FEM
Reaction force [N]	78359	77160

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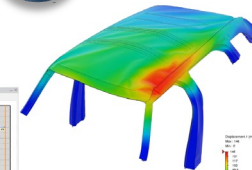
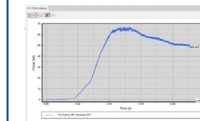
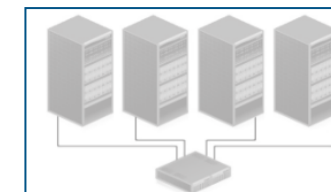
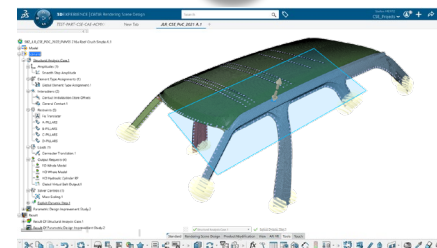
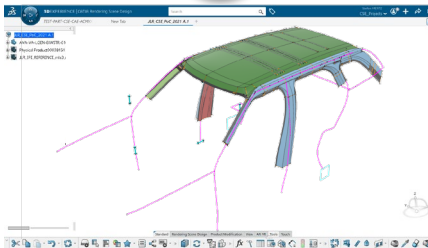
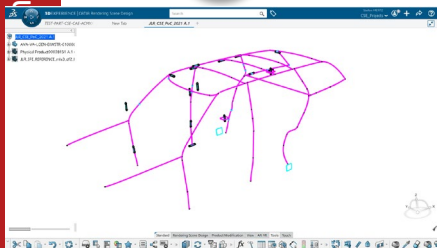
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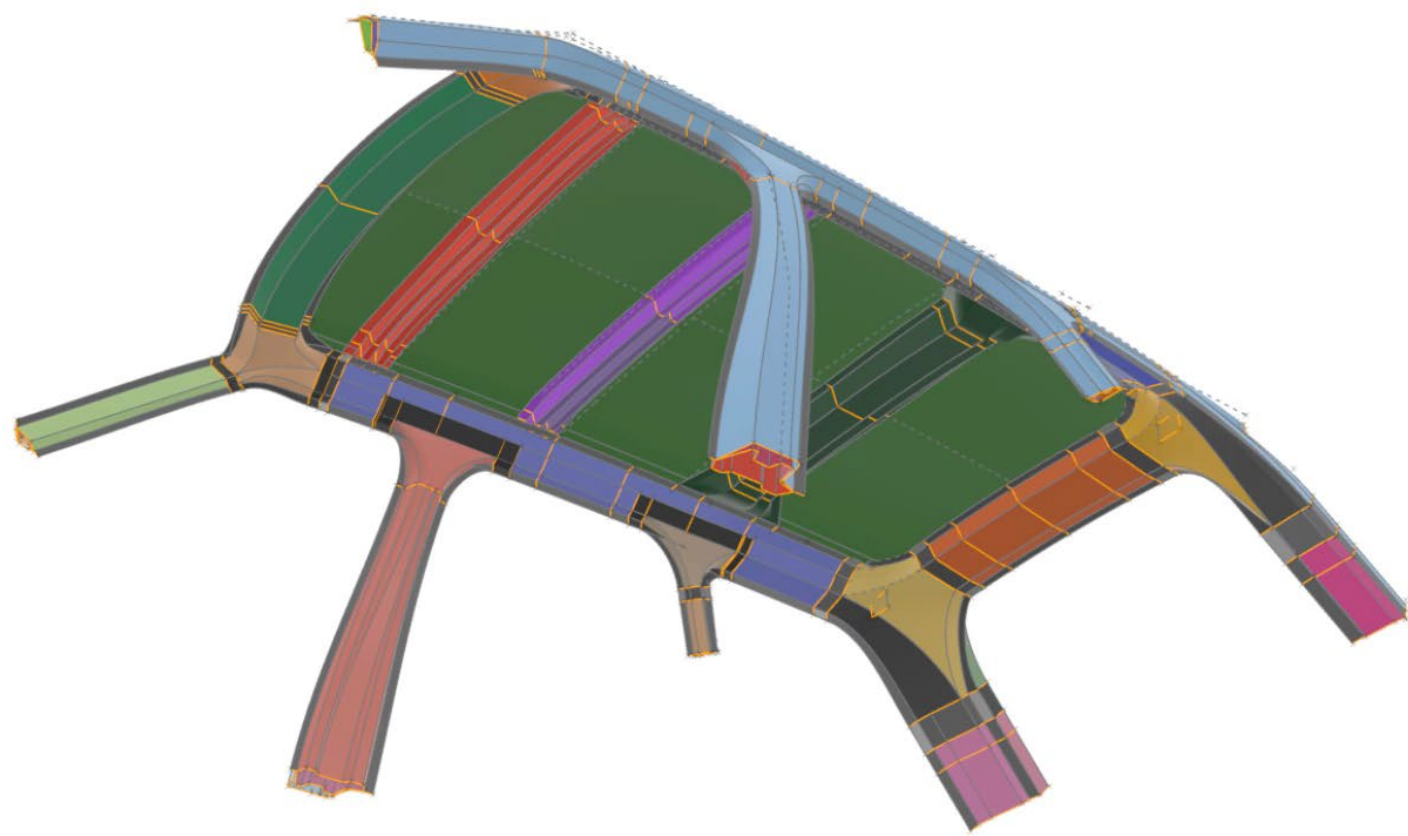
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3DEXPERIENCE Concept Structure Engineer | New Role

Conclusion

- ✓ End-to-end workflow ready to be used by everyone
- ✓ Saved time and reduced process complexity
- ✓ Enabler for optimization through simulation driven design
- The flexibility of the model, the automation of parametric variations and the gapless access to simulation enables a new level of evidence-based engineering driven by systematic design space exploration



Questions ?

