

ABAQUS

→ Abaqus FEA is a software suit for FEA originally released in 1978. This suit has 5 core software products.

- Abaqus/CAE (complete abaqus environment computer aided engineering)
- Abaqus/Standard (An FEA analysis with implicit integration scheme)
- Abaqus/Explicit (for highly NL systems with complex contacts under transient loads)
- Abaqus/CFD (computational fluid dynamics)
- Abaqus/Electromagnetic

→ Abaqus use "Python" scripting language.

→ Modeling levels (Nonlinear)

Lumped plasticity → Fiber modeling → FEA
(interested in local responses of small FEs)

→ ABAQUS

- Material level modeling
- Contact problems
- Modeling temperature changes
- " Electrical conductivity
- Fluid modeling (liquid sloshing etc.)

→ FE Integration Scheme

Explicit

Good for dynamic Analysis, small time step

Implicit

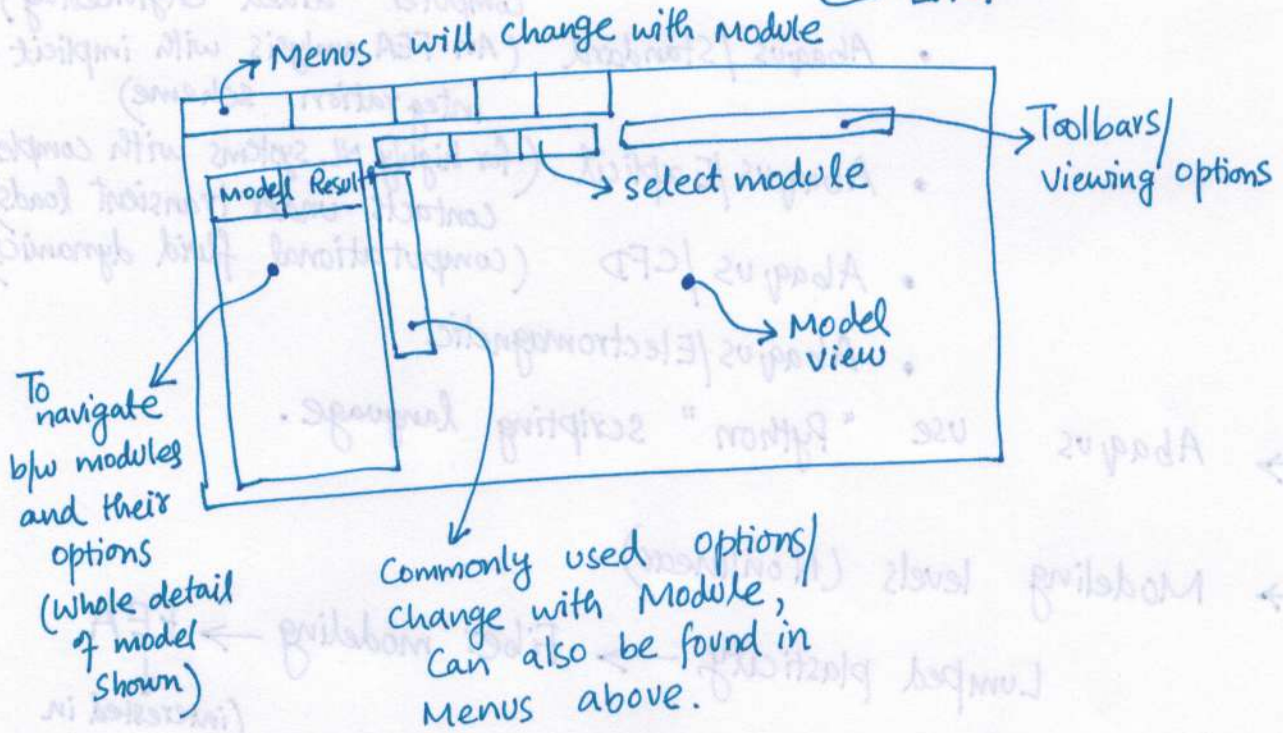
For "quasi-static" behaviors (You define allowable error), not efficient.

→ Abaqus have "Modules" → like a workshop.

→ Open Abaqus/CAE

Create Model database

- Standard/Explicit
- CFD
- EM



→ Modules

- Part
- Property
- Assembly
- Step
- Interaction
- Load
- Mesh
- Optimization
- Job
- Visualization
- Sketch

Abaqus is unitless → You have to make sure that units are consistent. Can google to know consistent units. eg. If you are in N, mm, sec units, the mass should be in Tons and stress in MPa.

Example

→ Lets take an example, An ^{PC} RC column resting on a concrete isolated footing.

For this example, we need 2 "parts" — Column
Footing

and we will join them in "Assembly" and will define their behavior of connection in "Interaction".

We will define its loads in "Loads" module, its meshing in "Meshing module" and will define its analysis methods etc in "Step" module.

The logical sequence of all these tasks is already listed in left "Model database" → All important options regardless of what module they belong.



Materials etc are in "Property" module.

→ To create a new part → Double click on "Parts" in left side "Model Database".

- Enter part name "e.g. Column"
- 3D
- Deformable
- Solid (Shell for thin plates, wire for axial ID behavior) + Extension with solid
- Any approximate size
- Continue

A drawing interface will open with scripting language commands at bottom.

• Sketch → done

Draw rectangle
↓
Click  and give 2 points
(0,0) enter
(300,300) enter
then  → Done

With "Done", a new window will open, asking for depth of 3D part.

give "Depth = 3000". This is extrusion. → OK

→ A column with size $300 \times 300 \times 3000$ will be formed.

→ Repeat this process to again create a "Part" named foundation ($1000 \times 1000 \times 300$) (we are following mm length units).

→ Under each new Part, Following options appear in "Model database"

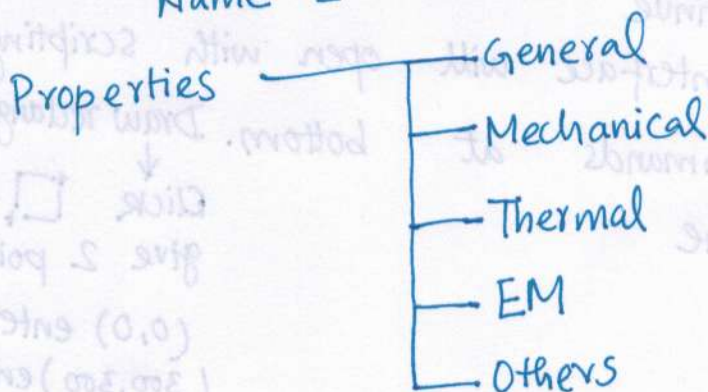
- Features
- Sets
- Surfaces
- Skins
- Stringers
- Section assignments
- Orientations
- Composite layups
- Engineering features
- Mesh (empty)

→ Double click "Materials" in Model Database.
Or Go to "Property" module and click



in right toolbar, to create a new material.

Name = Concrete




• General → Density

• Mechanical \xrightarrow{If} Elasticity → Elastic → give E, ν

→ Plasticity → Concrete Damaged
Plasticity (For NL Behavior)

• Add all required "Material behaviors"

• OK

→ Double click on "sections" or Select "Property" module and click  in Toolbar.

• Name = Column

• Solid → Homogeneous

• Continue → give material

• OK

→ Go again to "Column" part → "Section Assignments"

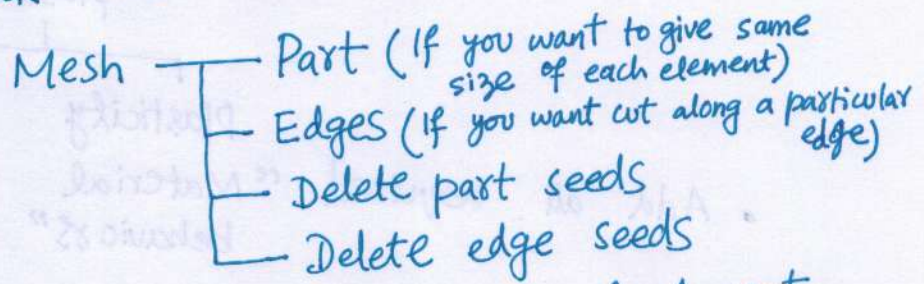
Select the section with click → OK → Select what Section to assign this part. → OK. Part color will change to green.

→ "Sets" and "Surfaces" are used, if you want to get results for a group of elements or nodes, assign boundary Conditions or constraints etc. etc. It is like "Frames" option in PERFORM 3D. (e.g. if you want shear at a section passing through elements at column base)

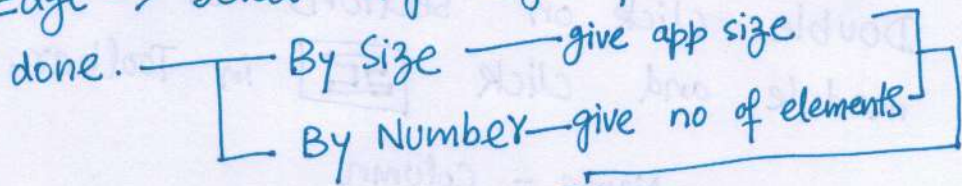
→ In order to do Meshing, first we have to do "Seeding". Its like marking to cut later.

Seeding is to define shape of mesh and size.

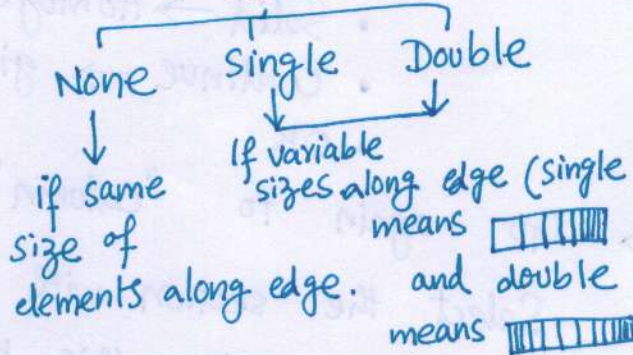
→ Go to "Mesh" module. Click ^{Seed} Mesh menu on top or check the mesh side toolbar.



- Part → Just give global size of element
- Edge → Select any edge of column and done.



Bias



Flip bias = To change the direction of size change, along the edge.

For "By Size", give max and min sizes.
For "By Number", give No. of elements and Bias ratio.

"Mesh" Menu

Controls
↳ Hex
↳ Structured

Element Type

↳ Element library → Family
↳ Geometric Order
↳ Hex, Wedge, Tet

Family = 3D stress, Standard (Implicit, Explicit)

Order = Linear

↓
Uses the output of previous Step. High margin of error.
Have to specify Tolerance.

Direct, each step is complete in itself.
good for dynamic analysis, fast.

(For each part type, different element options will be shown)

Hex → Reduced Integration → Hour-glass modes.

At bottom, the element description will be shown, e.g.

C3D8R
↓
Reduced Integration
8-noded linear brick



→ Menu Mesh → Part → OK
↓
Yes

(To actually divide the column in to C38R elements)

→ Double click "Assembly". OR go to "Assembly" module → Click "Create Instance".

Instance is the copy of part.

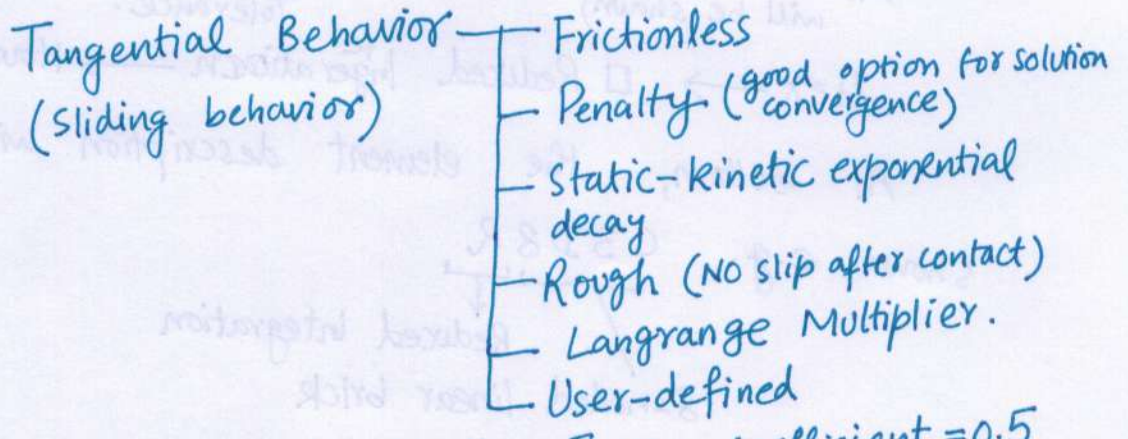
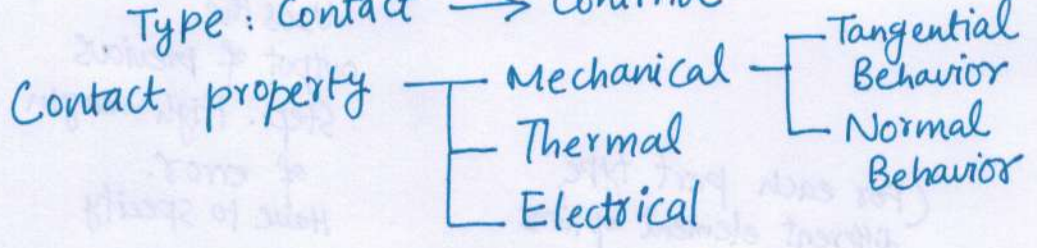
- Parts
- select actual part (can select more than once)
- Independent
- Auto-offset
- OK

Use "Rotate Instance" and "Translate Instance" to put column on footing or to orient parts in to exact required assembly. No "interaction" have yet be defined, between two instances.

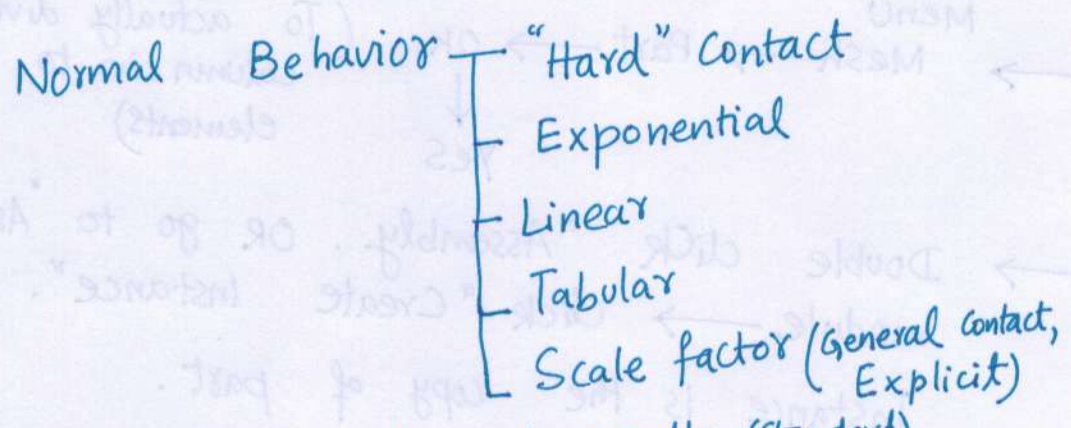
→ Double Click on "Interaction Properties"

Name:

Type: Contact → Continue



In penalty, Friction coefficient = 0.5 for concrete-concrete.



"Hard" contact and penalty (standard) are generally used.

→ Now we will create 2 "surfaces" which we will assign this interaction created in previous step.

Go to Part (e.g column) → Double click "Surfaces" → Geometry → select bottom face of column (which have to be in contact with footing) → done.


Make another surface of footing (its upper face) but use the option "By Mesh" → select only middle elements which will be in contact with column.

Create another surface of full bottom face of footing → To restraint it later.

- Again go to "Interactions" → Double click
- Name = col-to-Footing
 - Surface-to-surface contact (Explicit)
 - Continue
 - Select first surface
 - surface → Select 2nd surface
 - Done
 - First 2nd } which will tend to move into which
 - Mechanical constraint {
 - Kinematic
 - Contact
 - Penalty
 - Contact Interaction property → Select your property.
 - OK.


- Double click on "BCs"
- Mechanical → Symmetry/Antisymmetry/Encastre
 - Continue
 - Select Surface → done
↳ bottom face of footing
 - Encastre → All fixed
 - OK

→ "Steps" are like load cases or analysis series. 1 step called "Initial" is already there by default.

That default step contains  Our defined Interactions and BCs.

e.g. we want gravity load analysis, so we can add 1 more step giving it some time e.g.




1 sec. Then e.g. we want quasi-static or dynamic analysis, we give 

→ Double click on "Sets"

- Dynamic Implicit (e.g. flexural analysis of column)
- Dynamic Explicit (contact, high-freq problems)
- static, General

- e.g. Dynamic, Explicit
- Basic (Time period)
 - Incrementation (may be automatic)
 - Mass Scaling
 - Other

→ If you double click "Section sketch" in "Solid Extrude" of any "Features" of any "Part" → you will again have all drawing options. (e.g.  Add dimension)

In first session, we modeled a column and a footing. We will now continue with the same example.

→ In "Interactions" Module → we define the type of interaction between two surfaces (of instances).

"General Contact" is the most simplest type. It simply means that if two surfaces or objects come closer to each other (closer by a certain small value), consider it as "contact".

Usually we use "Surface-to-surface Contact (Explicit)"

Select it and "Continue" →

Select the master surface (you have to create before, or can create now)

+ chose the slave surface. Surface or node region

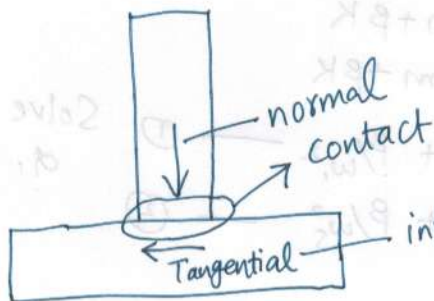
Have to give "Interaction Property" here.

Go to "Interaction Properties" from here or from its module to define the "type" of contact.

Done

→ Using "Contact" type, make a new interaction property. → Continue

- Tangential
- Normal
- Damping
- Damage

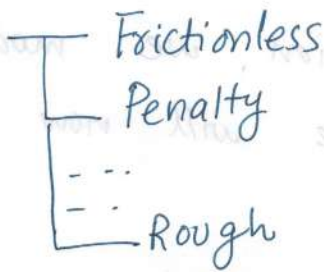


in fact frictional behavior in our case.

→ Tangential Behavior

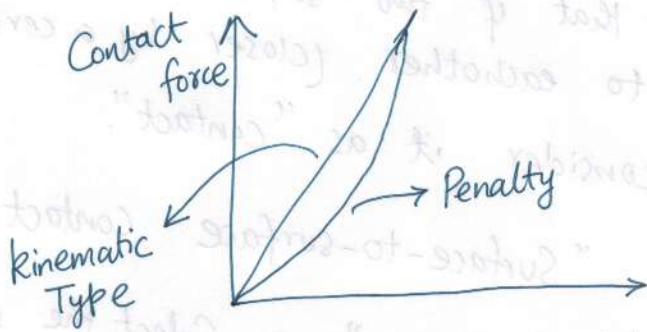
- frictionless is opposite of rough.

(Infinite friction)



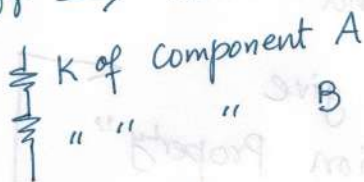
Usually we use "Penalty" — You have to give

2 things — Coefficient of friction and Shear stress limit (on which sliding will start)



→ Normal behavior → We will use "Hard Contact".

It means



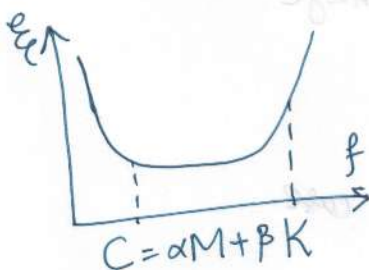
(automatically calculated contact K) using individual Ks of both A and B.

If you select "Linear" → you have to give a direct Contact stiffness.

In "hard Contact" → you can check "Allow separation after contact" → To model rocking behavior.

→ Modal Damping cannot be given in GUI, it can be given in input file.

→ In "Rayleigh Rayleigh Damping", you provide damping for 2 modes. eg $M1 = 2.5\% \cdot 10 \text{ Hz}$
 $M2 = 5\% \cdot 50 \text{ Hz}$



$$2m\omega_1 = \alpha m + \beta K$$

$$2m\omega_5 = \alpha m + \beta K$$

$$2\omega_1 = \alpha + \beta/\omega_1^2$$

$$2\omega_5 = \alpha + \beta/\omega_5^2$$

① Solve for α, β

②

- Damping is provided in "materials" module
- β is calculated from K (meshing etc) → Requires very high computational power. Some people just use $\beta=0$ to save time.

In RaumoKO, if you specify $\beta=0$ → it considers αM as modal damping (option 4).

→ In "Materials" → Mechanical → Damping → α, β

→ In "Assembly" → Engineering features → Springs/Dashpots for external springs, dampers etc.

→ "STEPS"
 Whatever we were doing before, it was in default "step = 0". We have to create a step first Gravity load application.

Create a new step → ("Static, General)
 If we just want to do quasi-static after gravity load.

or Dynamic, Explicit → if we want to do NLTHA.

Give time
 Give increments
 Type = Auto
 eg "100" ← continue

→ You can "suppress" a particular instance in Assembly by right click.

→ "Interaction type" should be compatible with "step type".

→ To apply ground motions, we have to remove BCs and apply acceleration to those nodes.

→ make a surface at bottom to fix that. It will fix all nodes in that surface. Only nodes can also be fixed.

→ Loads: Select the step = GL
Select type eg Concentrated, then node
For Gravity, Component 2 = -9810
(for self weight)

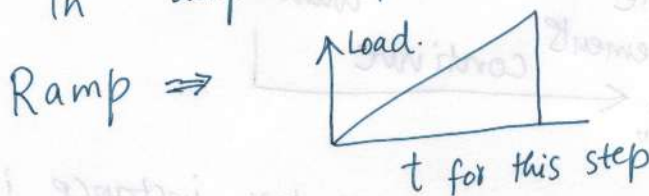
Comp 1 = X
2 = Y directions
3 = Z

→ "BC Manager" → used to remove BCs for certain steps. or deactivate

Same with "Load Manager"
initiated step 0 → Propagated step 1 etc.

→ Load Type = Gravity

In "amplitude", we have to give its history.

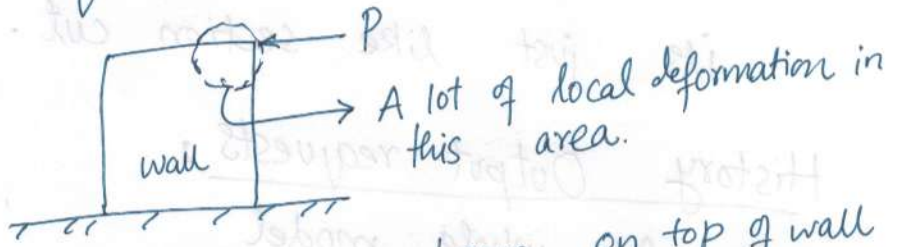


→ "Pre-defined Fields" → e.g. used for defining pre-stressing force etc. etc.

→ "Constraints" → if you want no interaction we use constraints. e.g. "Embedded region"

type of constraint is used for rebars.

→ If we want quasi-static load



In actual tests, we have a beam on top of wall and we push that beam. In model also, we add rigid plate to avoid local deformation.

→ To apply an imposed deformation, the option is in BC.

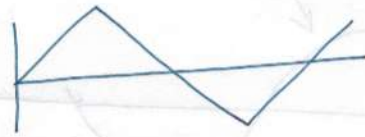
→ " " " " " Load " " " loads.

→ BCs → Displacement / Rotation → select the set
Ramp ← Uniform ← U1
↳ you can create an amplitude from here also.

→ Amplitudes → to give loading / displacement / Acc

history. e.g

User Defined



Time	Amp
0	0
0.5	1
1	0
1.5	-1

→ In ABAQUS, we can do
✓ mass scaling
✓ Material "
to save time.

→ To take outputs → Field Output Requests
" " " "

Field Output requests → Whole model
"every n increments"
or " " x secs"
Make different sets

History Output requests → e.g. for top deformation.

For Create set → element → continue
its just like section cut.

History Output requests:

Not for whole model

set → Disp → U → U1

Shear stress = S12

→ Analysis → Jobs → Model → Continue

└ Right click → Check data
└ Monitor Warnings

Submit — Run

→ Results → Field Output
right click → Plot → History

