Introduction to Abaqus
Abaqus 2019
Course objectives
Upon completion of this course you will be able to:

- Use Abaqus/CAE to create complete finite element models.
- Use Abaqus/CAE to submit and monitor analysis jobs.
- Use Abaqus/CAE to view and evaluate simulation results.
- Solve structural analysis problems using Abaqus/Standard and Abaqus/Explicit, including the effects of material nonlinearity, large deformation and contact.

Targeted audience
Simulation Analysts

Prerequisites
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  Demo 4  Creating Materials and Assigning Sections
  Workshop 4a  Material and Section Properties: Pipe Creep Model
  Workshop 4b  Material and Section Properties: Pump Model

Lesson 5  Assemblies in Abaqus
  Demo 5  Creating an Assembly
  Workshop 5  Pump Model Assembly

Lesson 6  Steps, Output, Loads, & Boundary Conditions
  Demo 6a  Creating Steps
  Demo 6b  Using the Load Module
  Workshop 6a  Step Definition and Loads: Pipe Creep Model
  Workshop 6b  Step Definition and Loads: Pump Model

Lesson 7  Meshing Imported and Native Geometry
  Demo 7  Using the Mesh Module
  Workshop 7a  Structured Hex Meshing: Pipe Creep Model
  Workshop 7b  Free and Swept Meshing: Pump Model
  Workshop 7c  Meshing of Intersecting Pipes
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- What is Abaqus FEA?
- Abaqus/CAE
- Abaqus/Standard and Abaqus/Explicit
- Abaqus Conventions
- Working with the Model Tree
- Other Abaqus/CAE Topics
- Documentation
- Learning Community
- Abaqus Environment Settings
- Abaqus Fetch Utility
- Workshop Preliminaries
- Demonstration 1: A First Look at Abaqus/CAE
- Workshop 1: Linear Static Analysis of a Cantilever Beam

2.5 hours
Lesson content:

- Abaqus/CAE: Part Module
- What are Parts?
- Creating Part Geometry
- Building a Part Using the Part Module Tools
- The Sketcher
- Adding Features
- Miscellaneous Topics
- Demonstration 2: Working with Native Geometry
- Workshop 2: Creating Native Geometry: Pipe Creep Model

2 hours
Lesson 3: Working with Geometry (Part 2)

Lesson content:

- Abaqus/CAE: Part Module
- Geometry Import and Repair
- Demonstration 3a: Generating a Shell From a Thin Solid
- Workshop 3a: Geometry Repair of Intersecting Pipes
- Part from an Orphan Mesh
- Creating Geometry from an Orphan Mesh
- Demonstration 3b: Importing and Editing an Orphan Mesh
- Workshop 3b: Importing and Editing an Orphan Mesh: Pump Model
Lesson 4: Material and Section Properties

Lesson content:

- Abaqus/CAE: Property Module
- Abaqus Material Definitions
- Abaqus Conventions
- Linear Elasticity
- Large Strain Elasticity
- Metal Plasticity
- Material Calibration
- Material Databases
- Section Properties
- Special Features: Skins and Stringers
- Demonstration 4: Creating Materials and Assigning Sections
- Workshop 4a: Material and Section Properties: Pipe Model
- Workshop 4b: Material and Section Properties: Pump Model

2 hours
Lesson 5: Assemblies in Abaqus

Lesson content:

- Abaqus/CAE: Assembly Module
- What is an Assembly?
- Positioning Instances
- Other Operations
- Subassemblies
- Sets
- Surfaces
- Display Groups
- Instance Types
- Demonstration 5: Creating an Assembly; Boolean Operations
- Workshop 5: Pump Model Assembly

2 hours
Lesson content:

- Abaqus/CAE: Step Module
- Analysis Steps and Procedures
- Demonstration 6a: Creating Steps
- Output Requests
- Output Files
- Abaqus/CAE: Load Module
- Amplitudes and Distributions
- Loads and Boundary Conditions
- Initial Conditions
- Demonstration 6b: Using the Load Module
- Workshop 6a: Step Definition and Loads: Pipe Creep Model
- Workshop 6b: Step Definition and Loads: Pump Model

2 hours
Lesson 7: Meshing Imported and Native Geometry

Lesson content:

- Abaqus/CAE: Mesh Module
- What is a Mesh?
- Elements in Abaqus
- Mesh Generation Workflow
- The Mesh Module
- Common Tools:
  - Density
  - Controls
  - Element Selection
  - Meshing
  - Local Fine-tuning
  - Quality Checks
- Advanced Topics:
  - Virtual Topology
  - Bottom-up Meshing
  - Mesh Compatibility
  - Mesh Convergence
  - Dependent and Independent Part Instances
  - Demonstration 7: Using the Mesh Module
  - Workshop 7a: Structured Hex Meshing: Pipe Creep Model
  - Workshop 7b: Free and Swept Meshing: Pump Model
  - Workshop 7c: Meshing of Intersecting Pipes

2 hours
Lesson 8: Job Management and Results Visualization

Lesson content:

- Abaqus/CAE: Job Module
- Analysis Jobs
- Creating a Job
- The Job Manager
- Monitoring the Progress of an Analysis
- Keywords Editor
- Demonstration 8a: Using the Keywords Editor
- Viewing and Interpreting Results
- Abaqus/CAE: Visualization Module
- Viewing and Interpreting Results
- Output
- Example 1: Overhead Hoist
- Example 2: Overhead Hoist – Dynamic Loading
- Example 3: Connecting Lug
- Additional Topics
  - Color Coding
  - Display Groups
  - Managing Viewports
  - Display Options
- Demonstration 8b: Visualizing Results
- Advanced Topics
  - Result Options
- Final Thoughts
- Workshop 8: Creep of a Pipe Intersection

3 hours
Lesson content:

- Is my problem nonlinear?
- What are the main sources of nonlinearities?
- Why are nonlinear problems hard to solve?
- How are nonlinear problems solved?
- Summary
Lesson content:

- Preliminaries
  - Abaqus Model and Analysis Steps
  - Analysis Procedures
- The *static, general* analysis procedure
- Finding a *converged* solution
- Demonstration 10: Nonlinear Static Analysis
- Workshop 10a: Linear Analysis of a Skew Plate
- Workshop 10b: Nonlinear Analysis of a Skew Plate

2 hours
Lesson content:

- Preliminaries: Analysis Procedures
- Linear Perturbation Procedures
- The *Static, Linear Perturbation* procedure
- Buckle procedure
- Frequency procedure
- Summary, so far...
- Multistep Analyses
- Demonstration 11: Load Cases and Multi-Step analysis
- Workshop 11: Linear Static Analysis of a Cantilever Beam (optional)
Lesson content:

- Preliminaries
  - Analysis Procedures
  - What Makes a Problem Dynamic?
  - Implicit vs Explicit time integration
- The *dynamic, explicit* analysis procedure
- Stability Limit
- Finding a solution … faster!
- Troubleshooting Abaqus/Explicit analyses
- Workshop 12a: Dynamic Analysis of a Skew Plate
- Workshop 12b: Pipe Whip Analysis
Lesson 13: Analysis Continuation Techniques

Lesson content:

- Analysis Continuation Techniques
- Restarting an Abaqus Analysis
- Workshop 13: Unloading Analysis of a Skew Plate

30 minutes
Lesson 14: Constraints and Connections

Lesson content:

- Introduction
- Rigid Body Constraint
- Tie Constraint
- Coupling Constraint
- Shell-to-Solid Coupling
- Connector Elements
- Mesh-independent Fasteners
- Demonstration 14: Defining a Rigid Body
- Workshop 14: Tie Constraints: Pump Model
Lesson 15: Contact

Lesson content:

- Introduction
- Mechanical Contact Properties
- Contact Domain
- Contact Formulation and Controls
- Summary
- Example 1: Shearing of a lap joint with contact pairs
- Example 2: Shearing of a lap joint with general contact
- Example 3: Crimp forming with general contact
- Additional Topics
  - Handling Initial Overclosures
  - Contact Output
  - Modeling Tips
- Demonstration 15: Using Automatic Contact Detection and General Contact
- Workshop 15: Nonlinear Static Analysis of a Pump Assembly

2 hours
Appendix 1: Element Selection Criteria

Appendix content:

- Elements
- Structural (Shells and Beams) vs. Continuum Elements
- Modeling Bending Using Continuum Elements
- Stress Concentrations
- Contact
- Incompressible Materials
- Mesh Generation
- Solid Element Selection Summary
Appendix 2: Analyzing Nonlinear Quasi-Static Problems

Appendix content:

- Introduction
- Solution Strategies
- Quasi-Static Simulations Using Explicit Dynamics
- Adaptive Meshing
- Workshop A2: Single Pass Rolling of a Thick Plate
Appendix 3: Heat Transfer and Thermal-Stress Analysis

Appendix content:

- Introduction
- Steady-State Heat Transfer
- Transient Heat Transfer
- Thermal Interfaces
- Thermal-Stress Analysis
- Workshop A3: Thermal-Stress Analysis of Intersecting Pipes