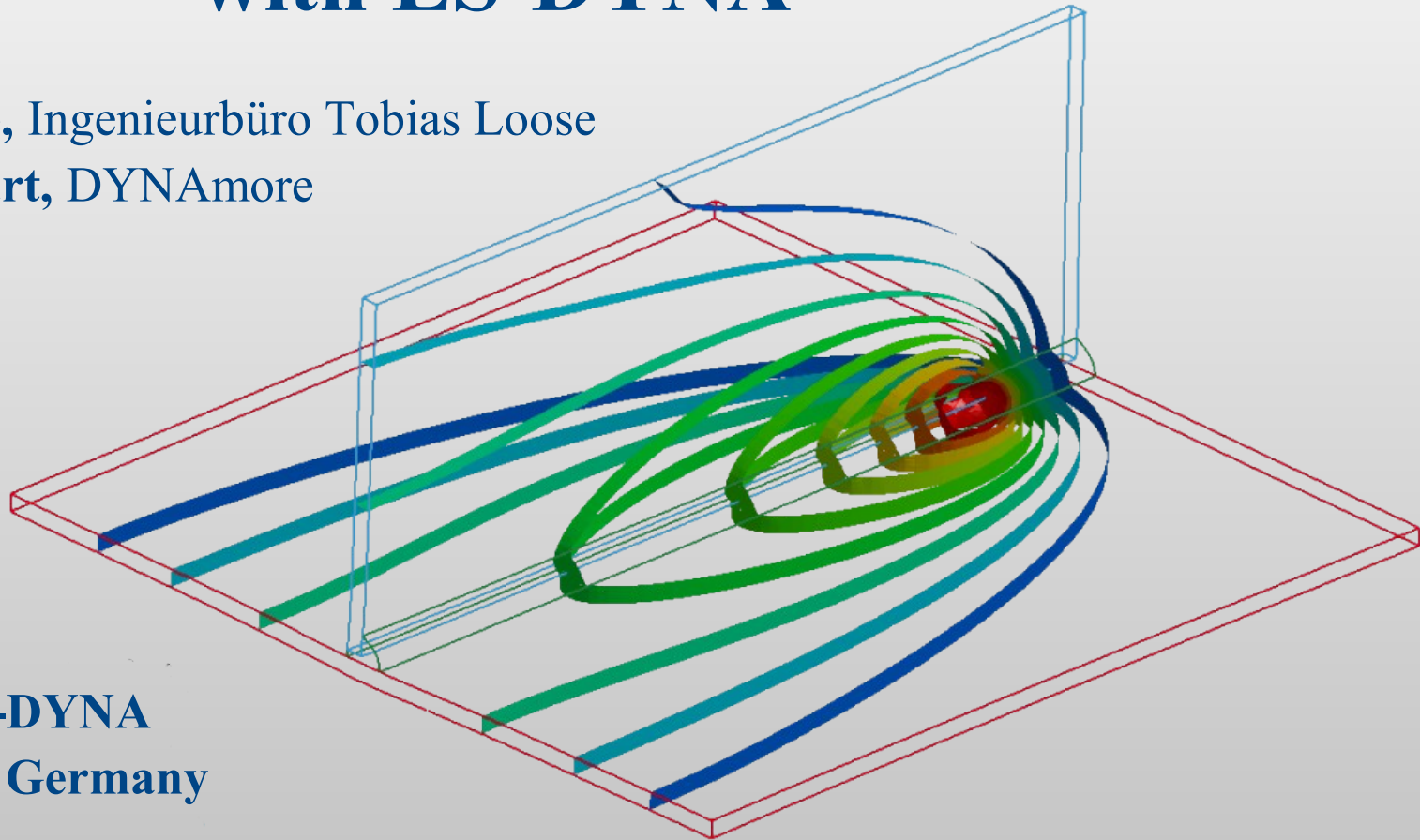




# Thermo-Mechanical Coupled Simulation with LS-DYNA

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# Introduction

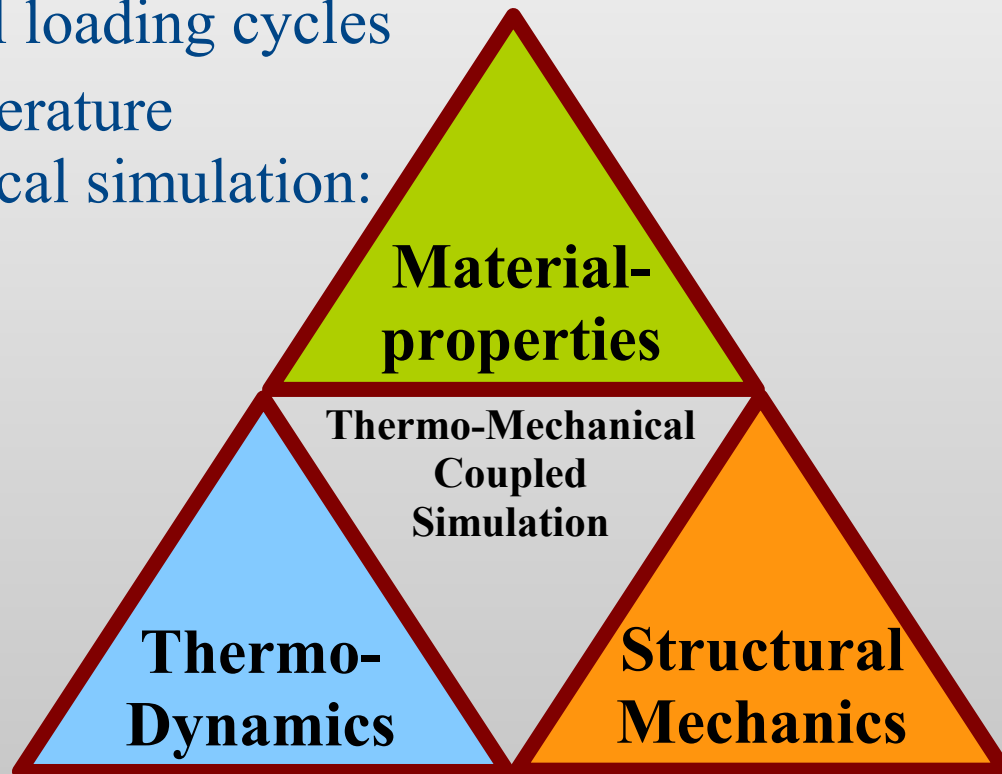


## Basement of variables: DISPLACEMENT, TIME and TEMPERATURE

Real nature:

- material properties depend on temperature
- material properties change in thermal loading cycles
- thus all processes with variable temperature need a coupled temperature-mechanical simulation:

- **Hot Forming**
- **Forging**
- **Heat Treatment**
- **Welding**
- **Post Weld Heat Treatment**





1976

- Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory:
- Thermo-dynamical FEM code for stress analysis of structures subjected to impact loading
- explicit short time analysis, nonlinear material, large deformations

1987

- metal forming simulations and composite analysis

1988

- Livermore Software Technology Corporation (LSTC) was founded by John Hallquist
- Development of LS-DYNA for problems in crashworthiness
- **one-code strategy**



1990

- **ALE** (Arbitrary Lagrange Eulerian) for Airbags
- constraint technique for **contact**, friction in the contact
- **parallel implementation**

1992

- Springback analysis (after forming), Barlat's anisotropic plasticity
- Adaptivity
- First **MPP** (Massively Parallel) version

1996

- **LS-DYNA Version 940**:
- **Boundary element method (BEM)** for incompressible fluid dynamics and fluid-structure interaction

1998

- **LS-DYNA Version 950**:
- **implicit solution scheme**

2000

- **LS-DYNA Version 960**:
- **Incompressible flow solver**,
- layered shell theory, nonlocal failure theory, thick shell element



2002

- LS-DYNA Version 970:
- particle gas airbags (\*AIRBAG\_PARTICLE)
- **SPH (Smooth Particle Hydrodynamics)**
- **Element Free Galerkin method (EFG)**

2005

- LS-DYNA Version 971:
- \*MAT\_MUSCLE (human modelling)
- heat flow through shell elements

2011

- LS-DYNA Version 971 R6:
- **Discrete Element Method (DEM)**
- vibration and acoustic problems: **Boundary Element Method (BEM)**
- soil-structure interaction analysis under earthquake ground motion

2012

- LS-DYNA Version 971 R6.1:
- isogeometric shells
- \*MAT\_UHS (phase transformations, metal hot forming)

2013

- LS-DYNA R7:
- **EM (Electromagnetic solver)**
- **CESE (Compressible CFD solver), ICFD (incompressible CFD solver)**
- \*MAT\_THERMAL\_CWM for welding simulations





# Basics

Brief description of main Keywords



## Thermo-dynamic material parameters:

- density
- heat capacity or latent heat
- conductivity

### \*MAT\_THERMAL\_ISOTROPIC\_TD\_LC

- TRO: density
- HCLC: heat capacity, temperature depended, defined by curve
- TCLC: conductivity, temperature depended, defined by curve

### \*MAT\_THERMAL\_CWM

similar to \*MAT\_THERMAL\_ISOTROPIC\_TD\_LC but extended for multilayer welding by activation features:

- TLSTART, TLEND: temperature interval for activation
- TISTART, TIEND: time interval for activation
- HGOHST: heat capacity for deactivated material (\*)
- TGHOST: thermal conductivity for deactivated material (\*)

(\*) valid for activation by temperature





## Thermal boundary conditions:

- Heat conductivity or radiation on surface or at contact faces
- Surface or volume heat-source
- Thermal constrained nodes by fixed temperature or temperature variable in time (thermal cycle)

### \*BOUNDARY\_CONVECTION

- HLCID: heat transfer coefficient, temperature depended, defined by curve
- TMULT: temperature of environment

### \*BOUNDARY\_FLUX (Surface heat source on segments)

### \*LOAD\_HEAT\_GENERATION (Volume heat source on solid elements)

### \*BOUNDARY\_TEMPERATURE

- LCID: heat flux or temperature as a function of time

### \*BOUNDARY\_THERMAL\_WELD

- Special heat source for welding according to Goldak ellipsoidal heat source
- free movement of this heat source can be defined in the simulation model



## Thermal contact conditions:

- Heat conductivity in case of open gap
- Heat conductivity in case of closed gap
- Heat radiation on contact surfaces

### \*CONTACT\_...\_THERMAL\_...

- K: Heat conductivity in case of open gap
- H0: Heat conductivity in case of closed gap
- FRAD: Heat radiation on contact surfaces
- LMIN, LMAX: Limit distance of the gap LMIN: gap closed, LMAX: no contact

## Initial conditions

- Information about temperature at each node at simulation start is needed

### \*INITIAL\_TEMPERATURE

- TEMP: initial temperature



All mechanical material parameters have to be defined **temperature** depended.

In case of materials with phase transformations during thermal loading cycle, for example low alloyed steel, mechanical parameters have to be defined for each **phase** and **temperature** depended.

To take influence of strain rate on hardening additionally into account, the flow curve has to be defined dependend on **phase**, **temperature** and **strain rate**.

## \*MAT\_UHS\_STEEL

- for shell and solids
- provides phase transformation, properties depend on phase and non-linear flow curve depends on phase, temperature and strain rate

## \*MAT\_CWM

- for solids
- provides activation of filler elements with temperature (for welding simulation)
- single phase model with linear strain hardening and no strain rate dependance



## Coupled implicit thermal and mechanical analysis

### \*CONTROL\_SOLUTION

- SOLN: switches between thermal (1), mechanical (0) and coupled (2) simulation

### \*CONTROL\_IMPLICIT

### \*CONTROL\_THERMAL

- drives solver settings for mechanical implicit solver and thermal implicit solver resp.

### \*CONTROL\_THERMAL\_TIMESTEP

- TIP: choose numerical solution method of thermal solver
  - 0: forward difference
  - 0,5: Crank-Nicolson
  - 2/3: Gallerkin
  - 1: backward difference → for transient problem as welding

**Time step size should be adapted to the thermal gradients. Small time step for heating, welding or quenching. Increasing time steps during cooling. Time step size can be defined as time depended curve**





# Application

on welding simulation

# HSS - Heat Source from SimWeld

www.simweld.info

*SimWeld 3.0*



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Schweißprozesssimulation für das MSG-Schweißen  
Welding Process Simulation for GMA-Welding  
Simulación del Proceso para Soldaduras MSG  
симуляция сварки плавящимся электродом

Sprachen:	Deutsch
Languages:	English
Idiomas:	русский
Языки:	

Systemvoraussetzung:	Windows XP
System requirement:	Windows 7
Requisito del Sistema:	Windows 8
предпосылка система:	

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How to extract the  
Equivalent Heat Source  
from process simulation  
with SimWeld

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# Process simulation with SimWeld Input Parameter

Simulation

Equipment Materials

**Power source** Custom

Wire  
Material SG-2(G3Si1)

Wire geometry 1.2 mm

Cont. tube distance 15,0 mm

Shielding gas 82% Ar 18% CO2

Welding cables

Hose assembly 3,5 m

Cross-section 33 mm<sup>2</sup>

Cable to wire feeder 10,5 m

Cross-section 95 mm<sup>2</sup>

Cable to workpiece 10,5 m

Cross-section 95 mm<sup>2</sup>

Regulator

Regulator

Figure

Source  
 Wire feeder  
 Torch

Workpiece  
 Source

Wire initial heating

Contact nozzle temp. 40 °C

Simulation

Equipment Materials

**Base material** St37-2 (S235JR)

Simulation

Equipment Joint

**Joint type**

Butt joint  
Fillet joint  
Lap joint

Plate thickness 1 6,0 mm

Plate thickness 2 6,0 mm

Gap width 0,0 mm

Backing

Width 20,0 mm

Thickness 3,0 mm

Groove

Groove width 5,0 mm

Groove depth 2,0 mm

Rounded

Simulation

Equipment Orientations

**Welding position** Custom

Angle ,along' 0°

Angle ,crosswise' 0°

Reset

**Torch orientations**

Travel 0°

Work 45°

Offset 0,0 mm

Plate 1 0 Plate 2

Simulation

Equipment Parameters

**Welding speed** 36 cm/min

**Custom**

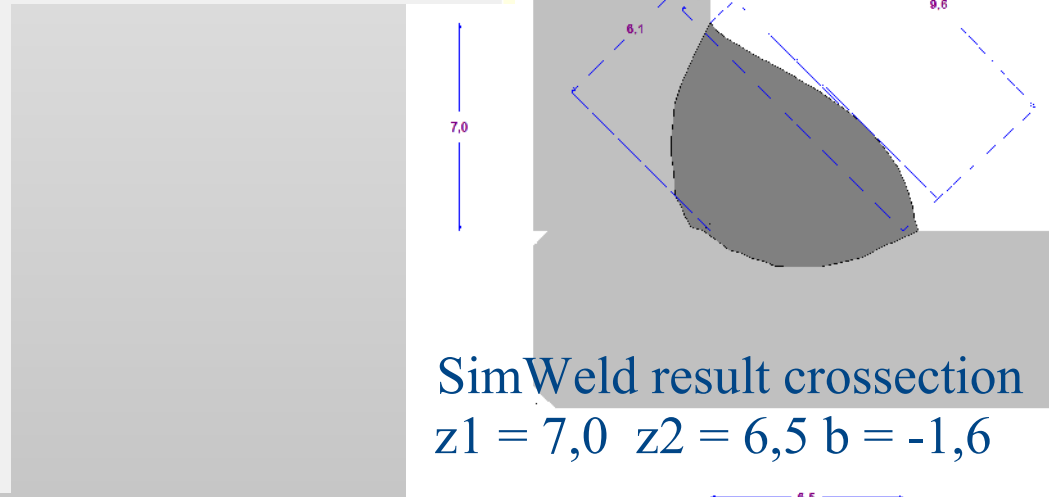
Process MSG Normal

Wire feed speed 10,00 m/min

Synergy

Voltage 28 V

Choke 35 %



# Equivalent Heat Source Goldak is one output of SimWeld Process Simulation

## SimWeld1.EQS



SIMWELD1.EQS Zeile 1 von 14 Spalte 1 Einf Win

3D double ellipsoid source

6.59082714843750E+0003	//Q (W)
5.66676513671875E+0003	//Qf (W)
9.24062133789063E+0002	//Qr (W)
1.06436882019043E+0002	//q0_front (W/mm3)
5.55402851104736E+0000	//q0_rear (W/mm3)
5.90280532836914E+0000	//af (mm)
1.84462661743164E+0001	//ar (mm)
5.60499143600464E+0000	//b (mm)
6.00657070000000E+0000	//c (mm)
3.260	//x0 (mm)
3.521	//z0 (mm)
4.720	//ay (degree)
3.600	//vy (cm/min)





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3.52173924446106E+0000 //z0 (mm)  
4.72025985717773E+0001 //ay (degree)  
3.60000000000000E+0001 //vy (cm/min)
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### SimWeld → LS-DYNA

- a → c
- b → a
- c → b

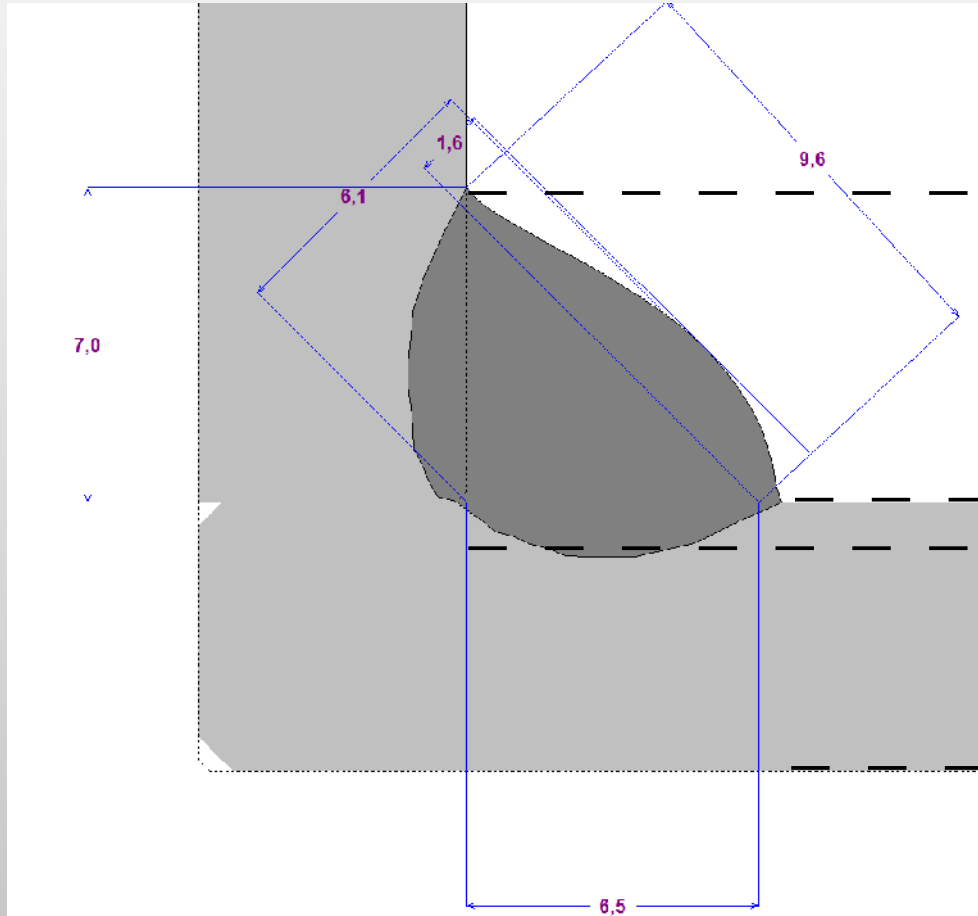
$$0,76 = 5,7 * 2 / (5,7 + 9,2)$$

$$1,24 = 2 - 0,76$$

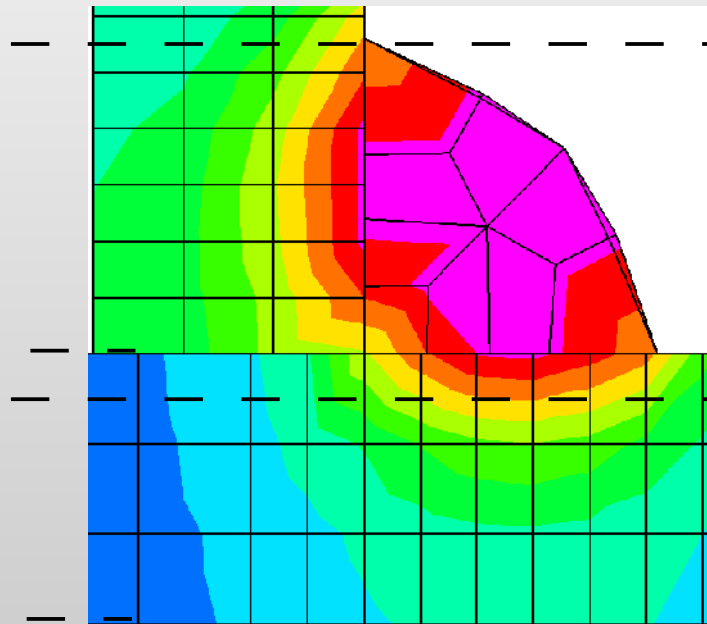
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*BOUNDARY_THERMAL_WELD  
$# pid ptyp nid nflag x0 y0 z0 n2id  
1001 2 90001 1 0.000 0.000 0.000 80001  
$# b=a c=b af=cf ar=cr lcide q  
$# mm mm mm mm mW  
5.6 6.0 5.9 18.0 5 -6591000. 0.760 1.240
```

LSDYNA puts n = 3 and defines the heat-source geometrically unlimited.

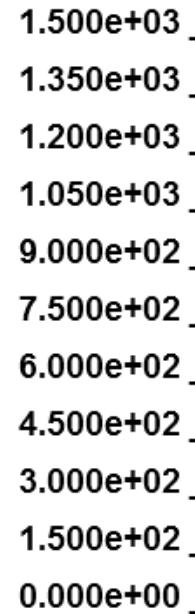
- **SimWeld**



- **LS-DYNA**



**Fringe Levels**



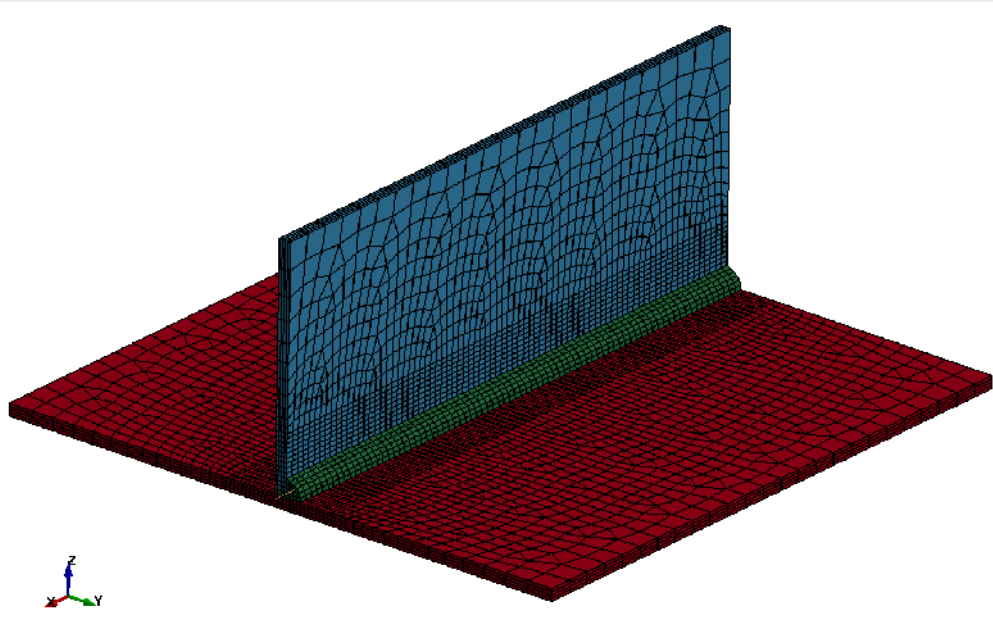
# T-Joint with filled weld

**Plate: 200 x 200 x 4 mm**

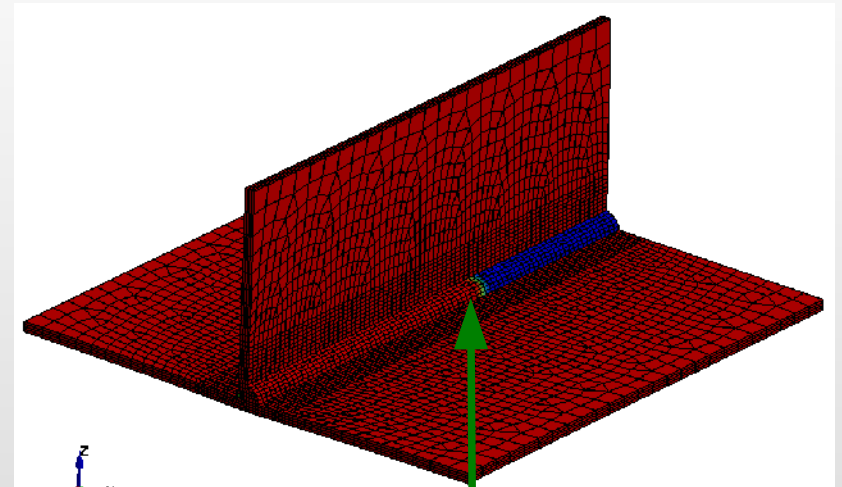
**Stiffener: 200 x 80 x 4 mm**

**Fillet:  $a = 4$  mm**

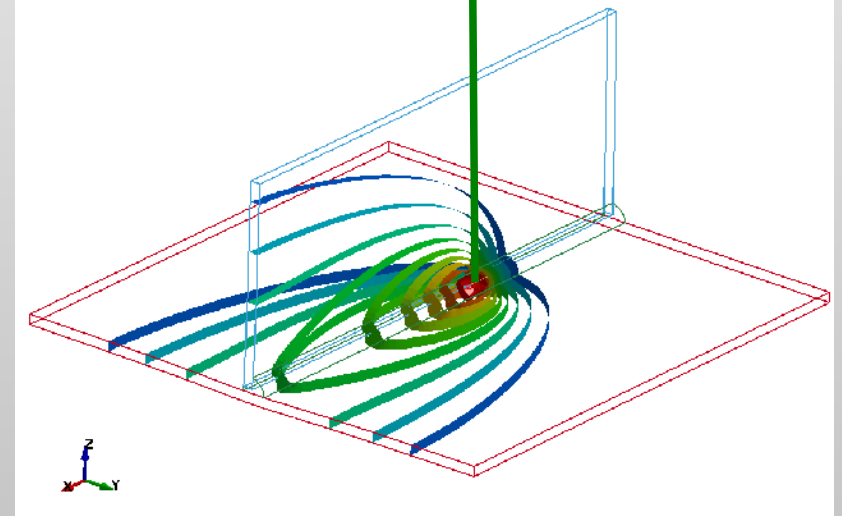
**Material: 1.4301**



**The plate is clamped in z-direction during welding and cooling**



**Activation of filler during welding**

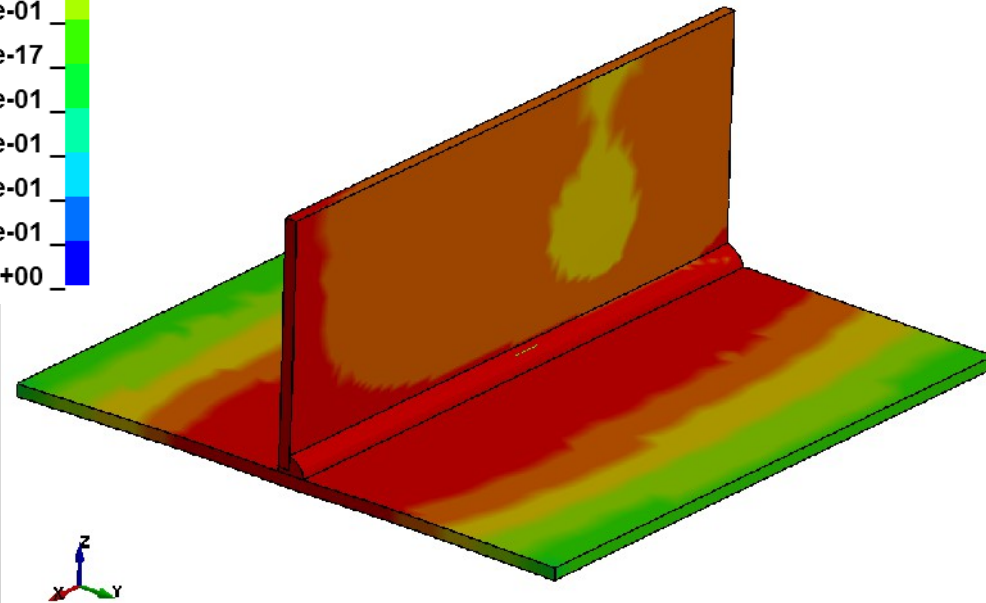
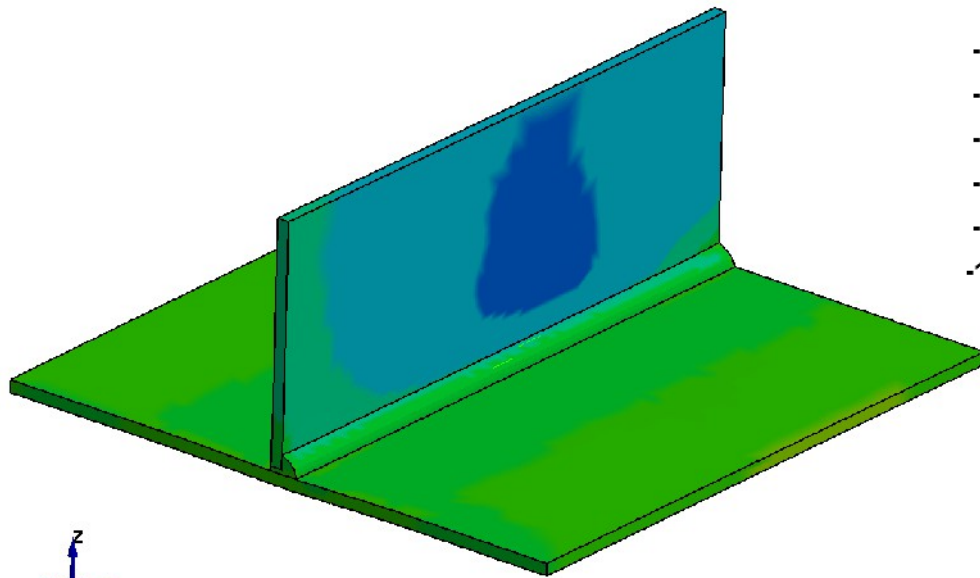
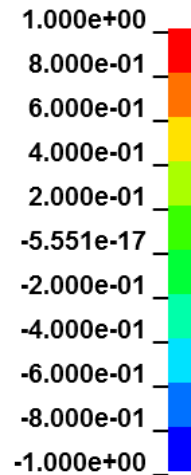


# Distortion in z-Direction

before unclamping

after unclamping

Fringe Levels





# T-Joint of thick Plate with 17-layered fillet weld

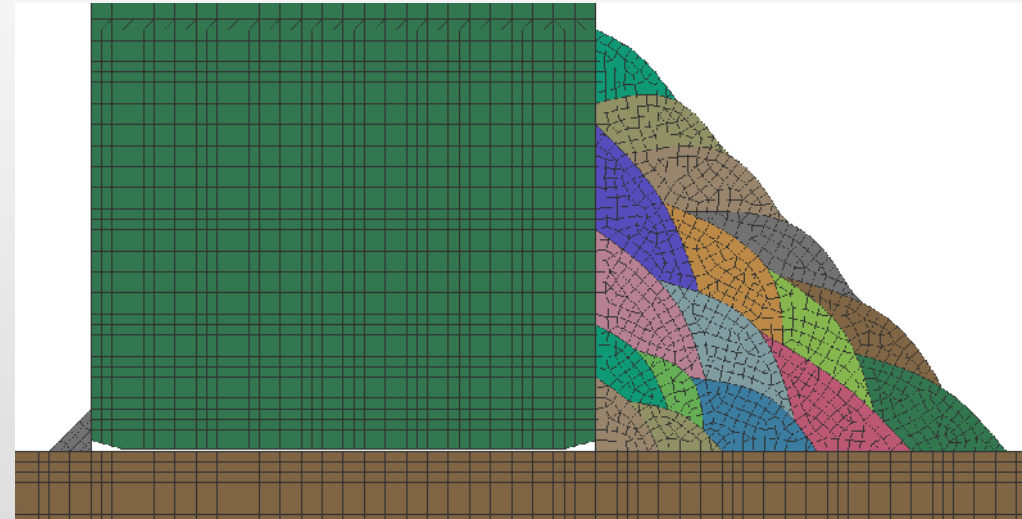
**2D plain strain analysis**

**Plate: 300 x 80 mm**

**Stiffener: 150 x 24 mm**

**Fillet:  $a = 13$  mm**

**Material: 1.4301**



**Tack weld  $a = 1,4$  mm  
with  $K_{FAIL} = 0,25$**

**Initial gap between stiffener and  
plate: 0,1 mm**

**The plate is constrained with symmetry  
conditions at the left and right end.**

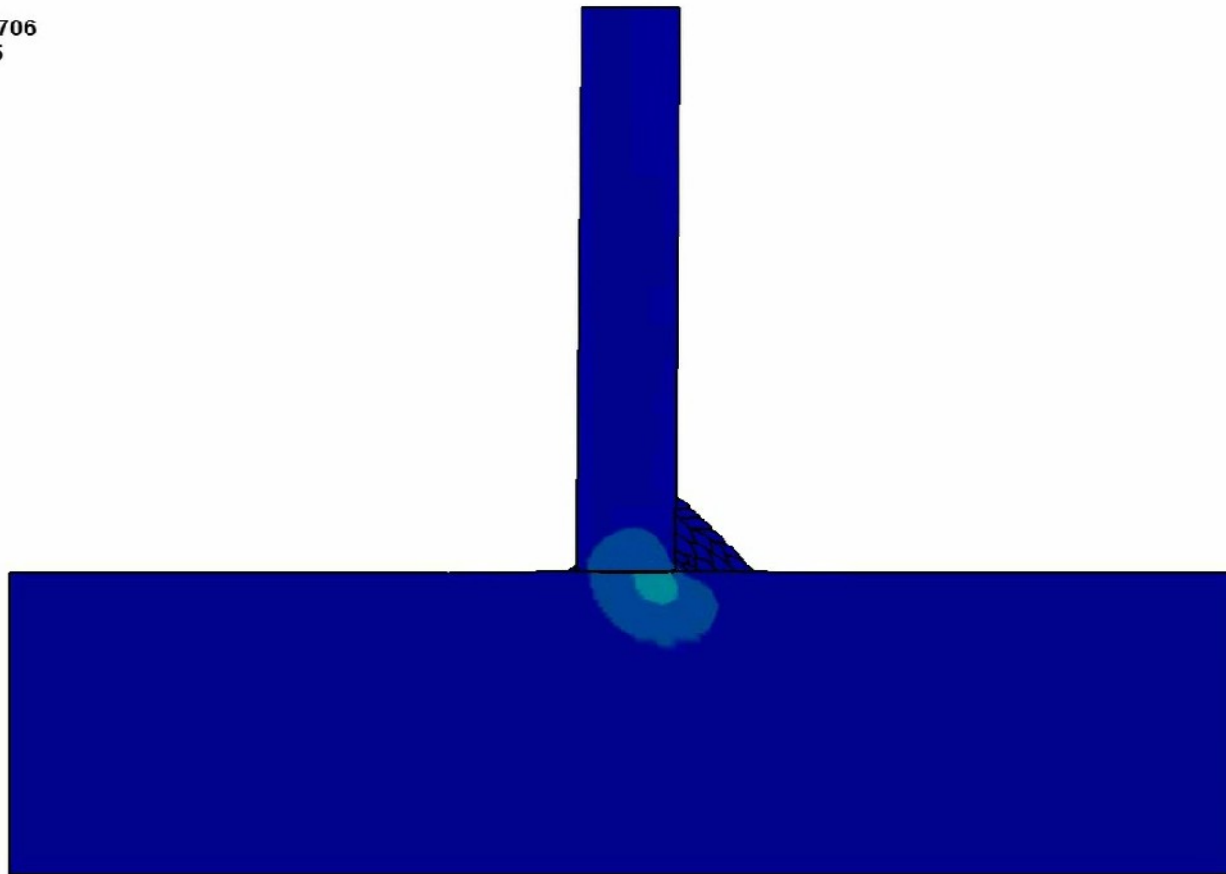
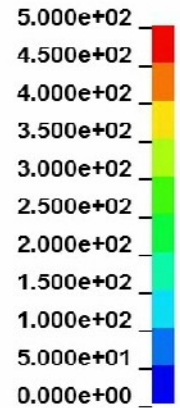


# Temperature 0 .. 500 °C

## Distortion scaled 5 times

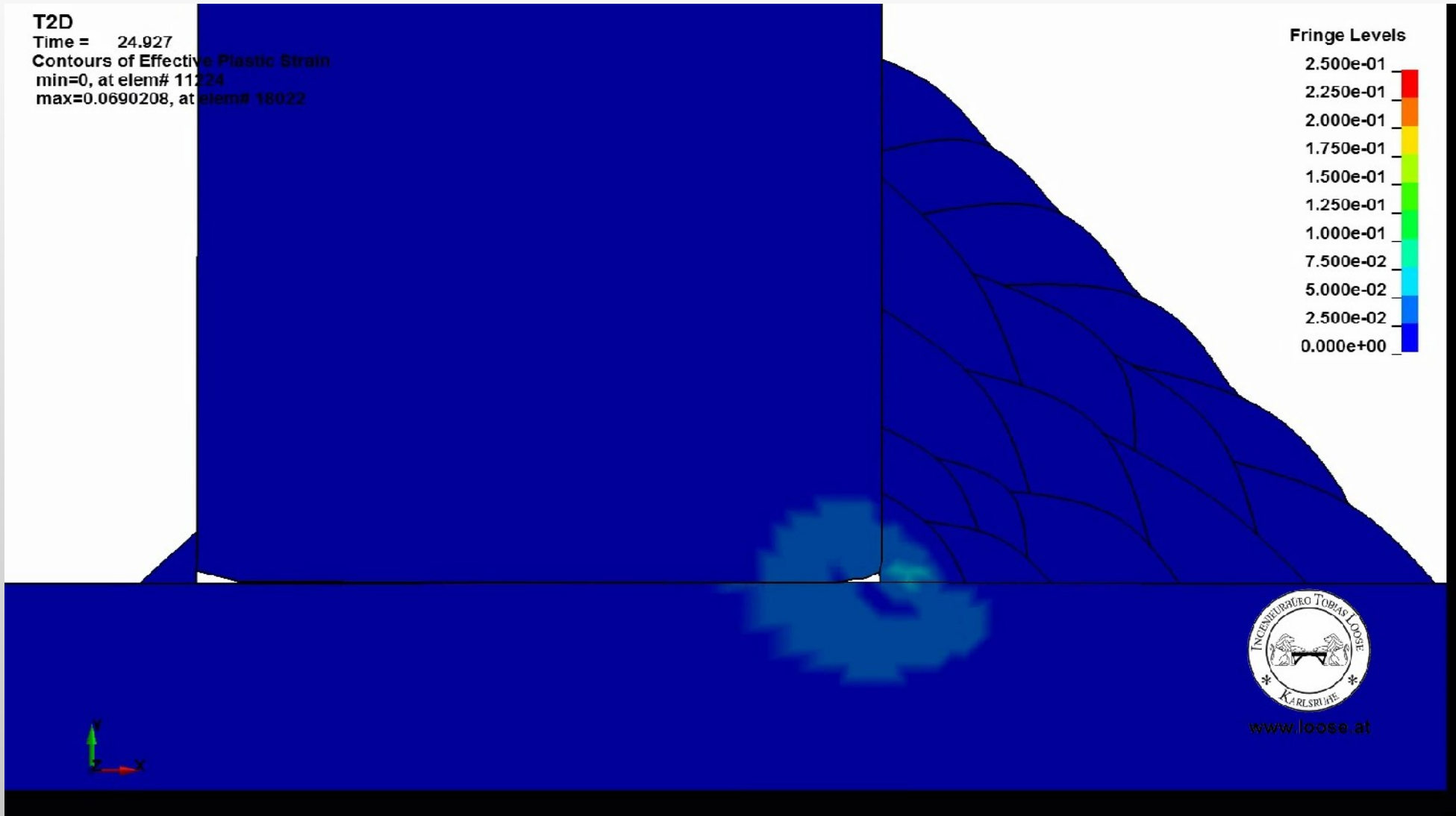
T2D  
Time = 24.927  
Contours of Temperature  
min=20, at node# 14004  
max=119.818, at node# 24706  
max displacement factor=5

Fringe Levels

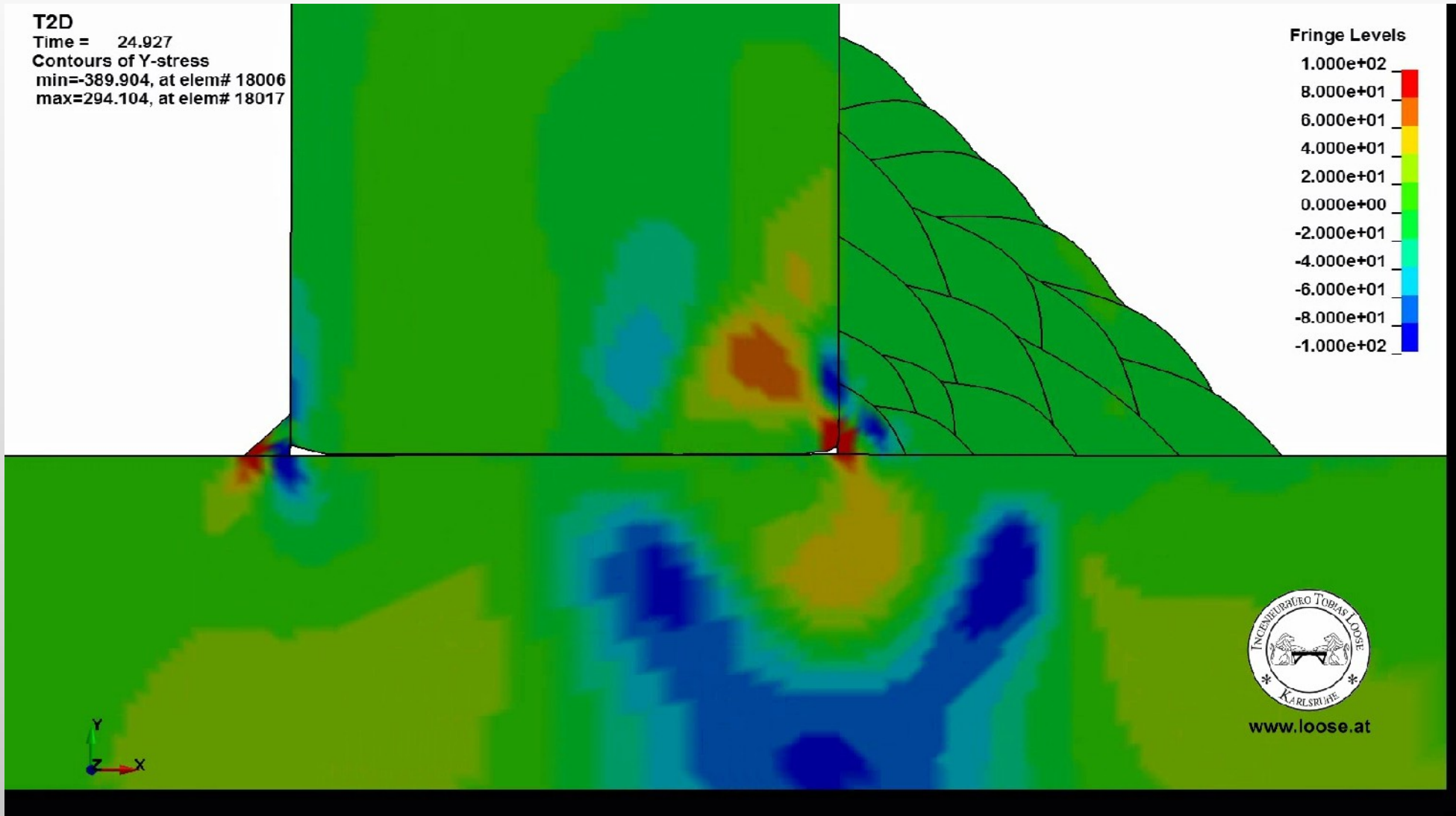




# Plastic strain 0 .. 0,25 m/m



# Stress in y-direction -100 .. 100 N/m<sup>2</sup>







# Benefits

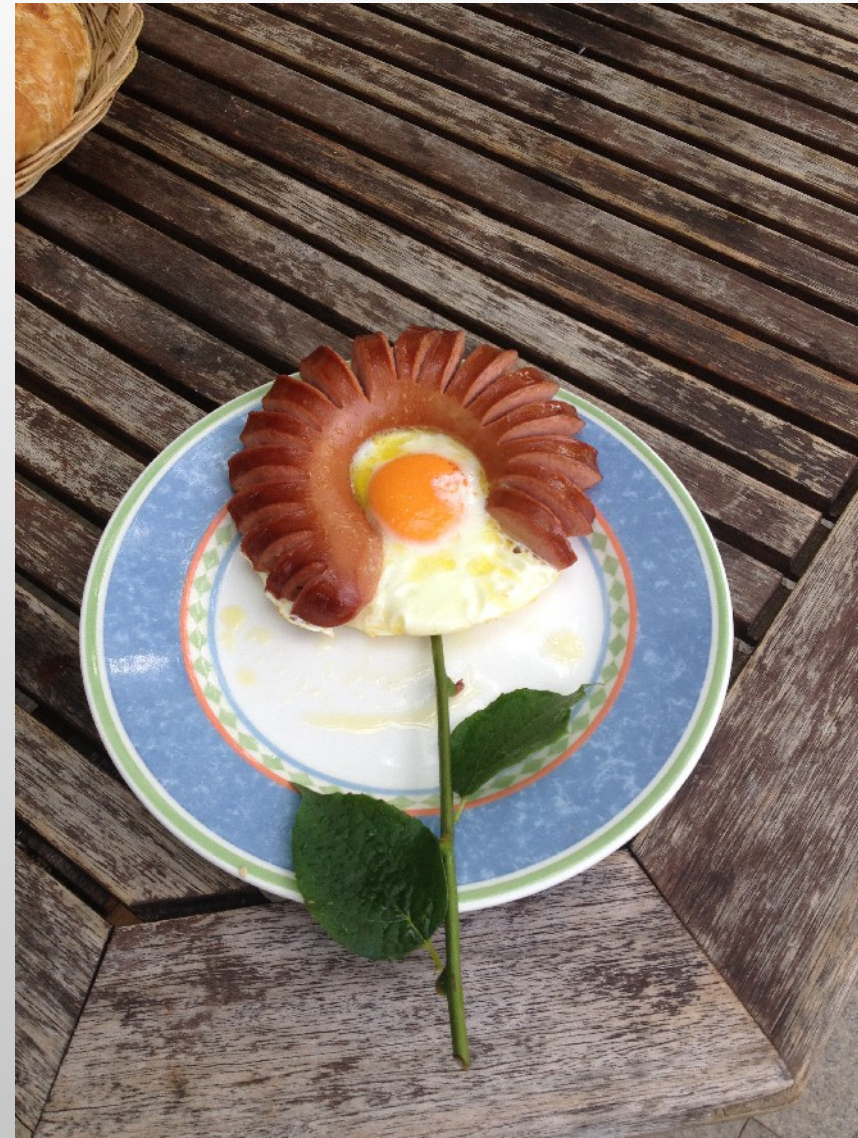
with scope of welding structure simulation



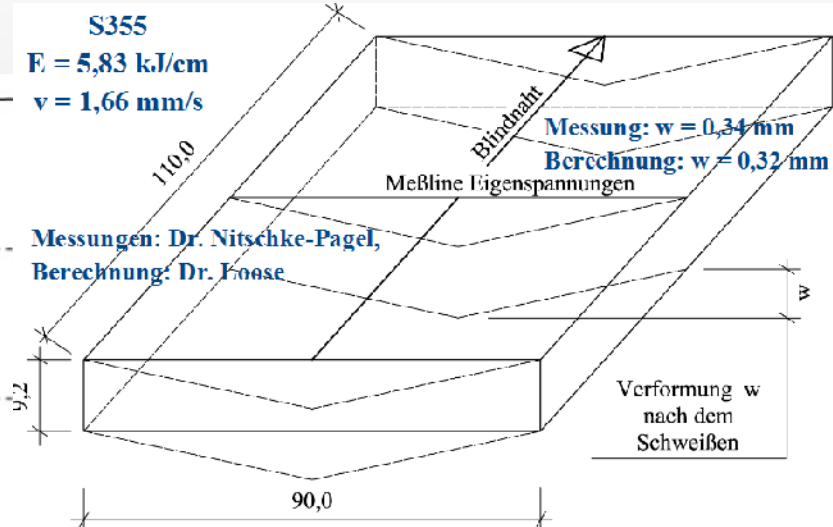
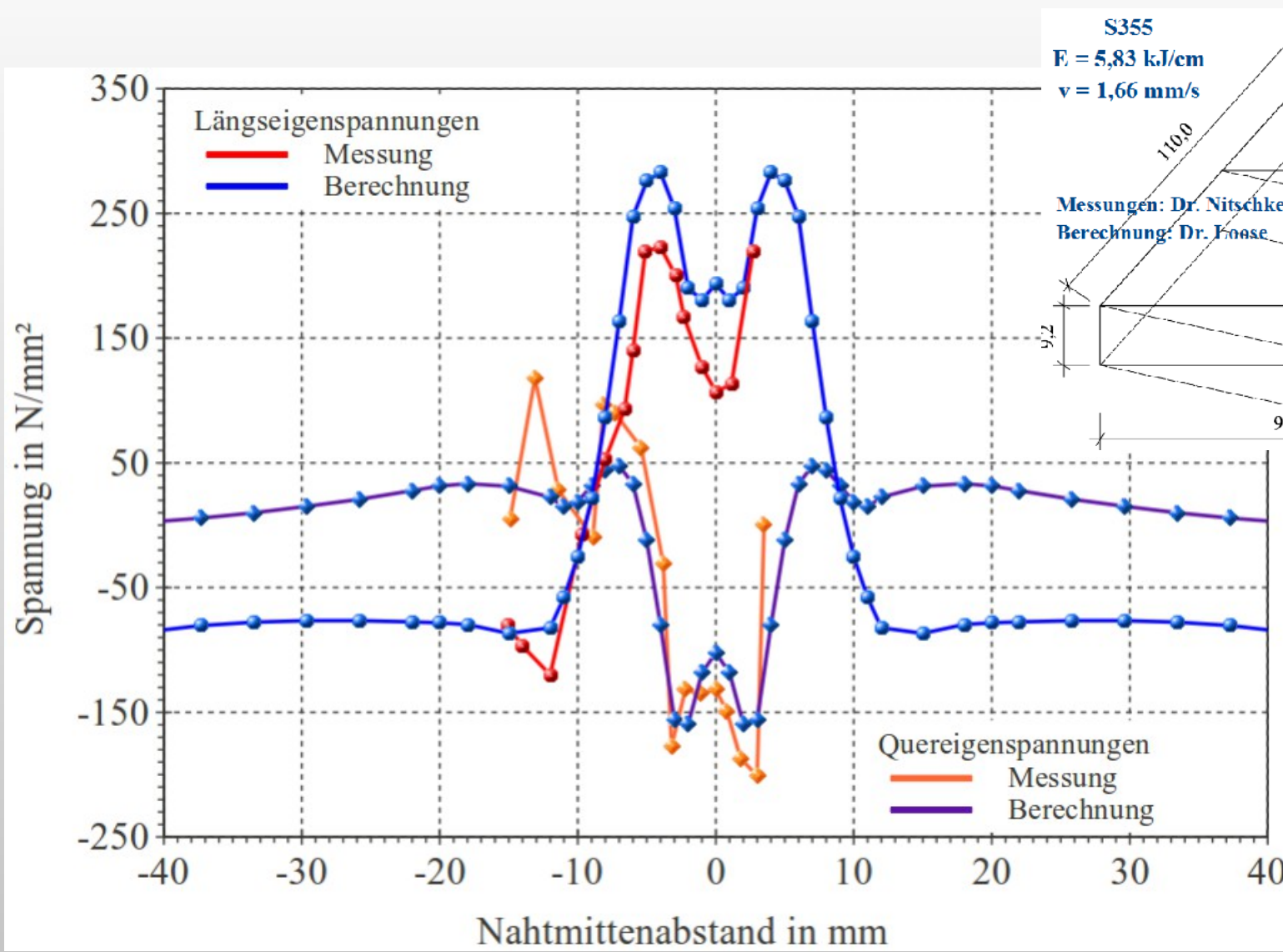
# Benefits for welding simulation

- **Distortion check**
  - Critical and too large distortions during assembly?
- **Compensation of distortion**
  - Design of process in order to get the desired geometry after assembly.
  - Cost savings: less straightening and less defective goods.
- **Process design**
  - Achievement of a stable assembly process
  - Prevention of damage induced during heating
  - Decision on the best choice of filler material
  - Decision on pre heating or post weld heat treatment
- **Quality assurance**
  - design of desired mechanical properties or behaviour in the weld zone
- **Design**
  - Determination of ultimate load or behaviour under service load.
- **Answers to many individual questions**

# Outlook



# Validation of distortion and residual stresses on Nitschke-Pagel test for LS-DYNA





- **Simulation of various manufacturing steps with**
  - one solver
  - consistent material model
- **for the manufacturing steps considered:**
  - forming
  - heat treatment
  - welding
  - post weld heat treatment
- **Analysis of ultimate load or behaviour under service load**
  - mechanical analysis
  - buckling analysis
  - crash analysis





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