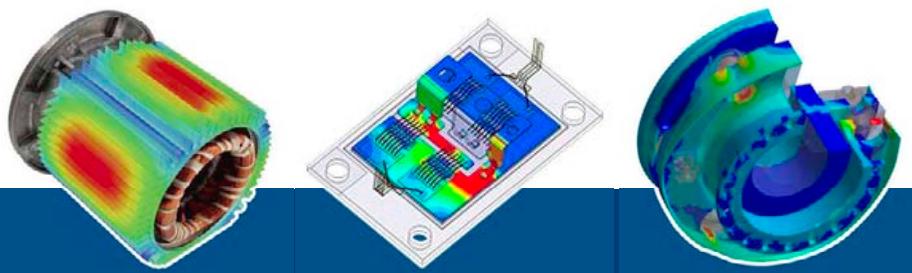


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## Simultaneous Calculation with ANSYS

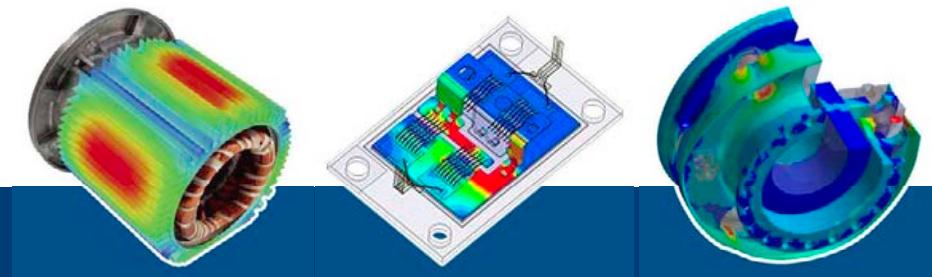
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- Example and Performance

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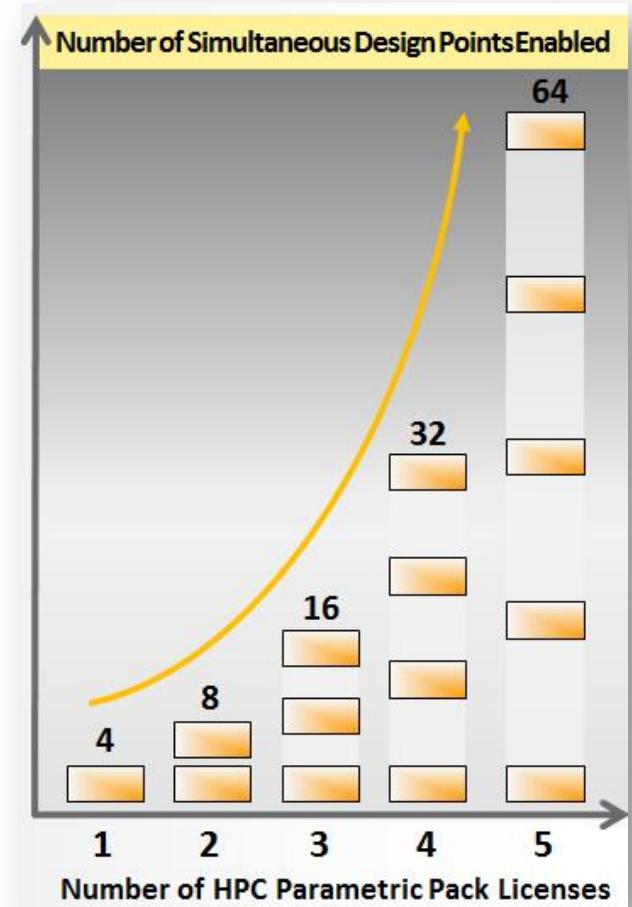
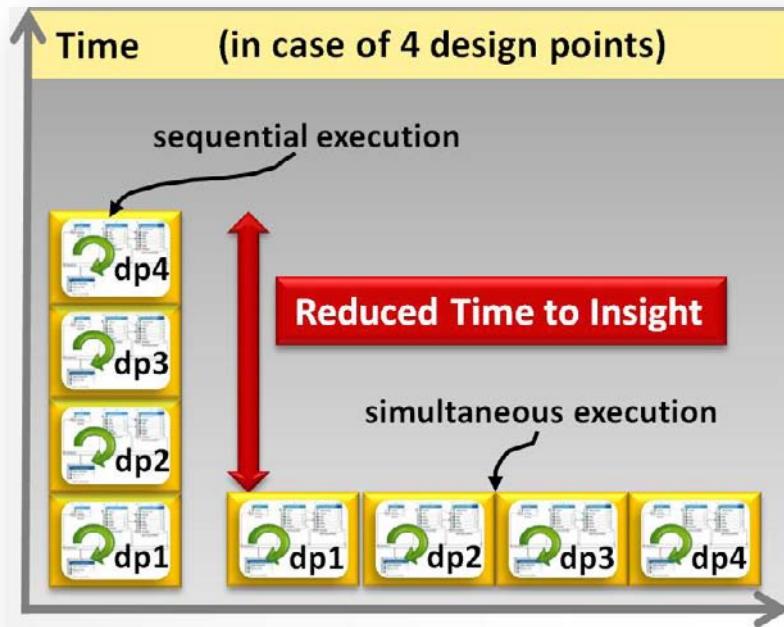
## General Usage & Licensing

## Which Parameters can be chosen?

- Geometry parameters (CAD, DesignModeler, ...)
  - Engineering data parameters (Young's modulus, density, ...)
  - Mesh parameters (element size, ...)
  - Boundary condition parameters (pressure load magnitude, ...)
  - APDL, Excel, ...
- All parameters which are listed in the Parameter Manager

## ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack – Multiplying Base Licenses

- One base license can be multiplied by **ANSYS HPC Parametric Packs**

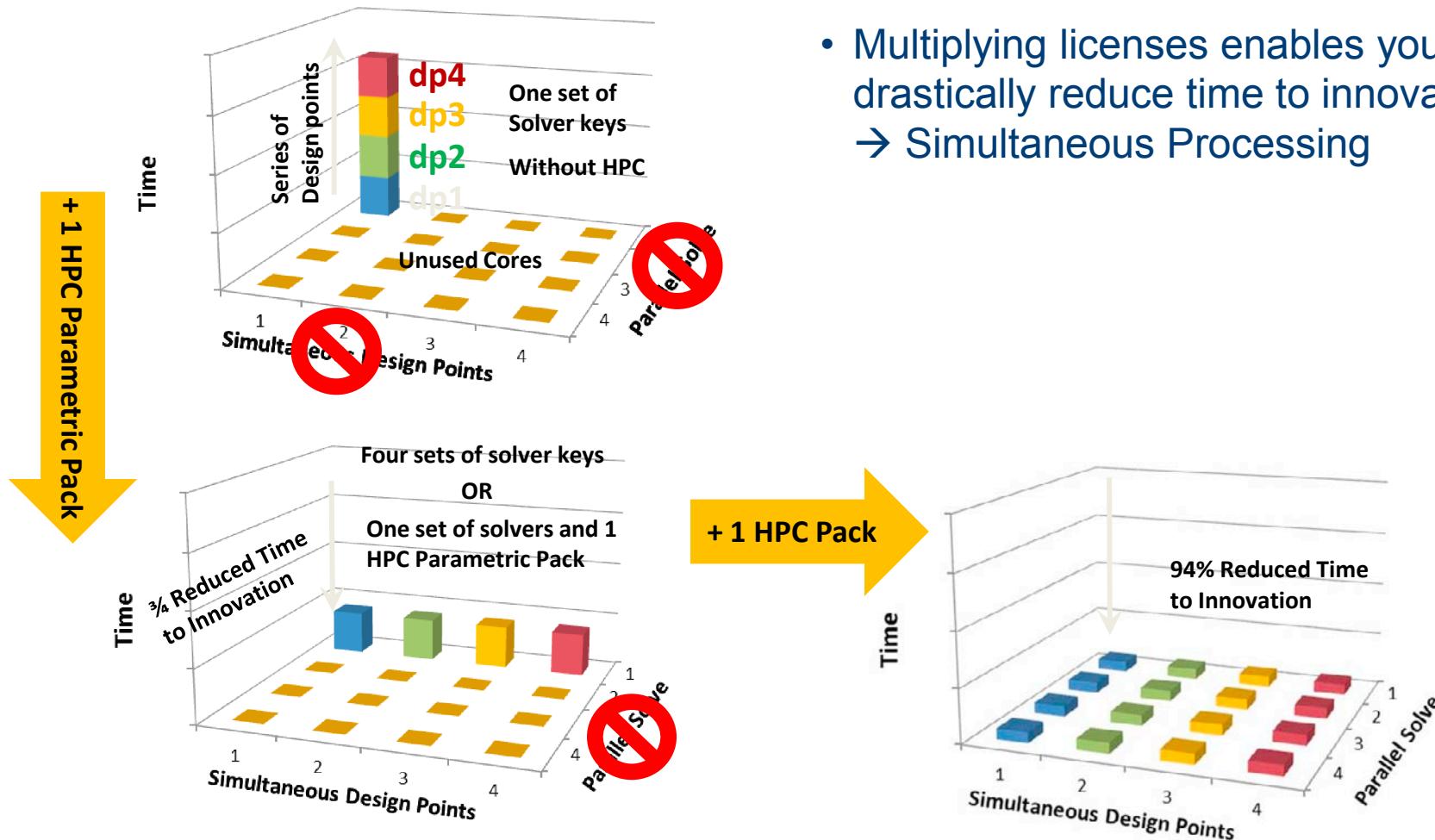


## ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack – Supported Base Licenses

- The following table lists ANSYS products that are amplified by the **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack** license.

ANSYS CFD, ANSYS CFD Solver
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ANSYS CFD-Post
ANSYS CFX, ANSYS CFX Solver
ANSYS Fluent, ANSYS Fluent Solver
ANSYS Fluent PEM Fuel Cell Module, ANSYS Fluent SOFC Fuel Cell Module
ANSYS Professional (at R15.0)
ANSYS Structural, ANSYS Structural Solver (at R15.0)
ANSYS Mechanical
ANSYS Mechanical Solver (at R15.0)
ANSYS Mechanical EMAG
ANSYS Mechanical CFD-Flo
ANSYS Multiphysics
ANSYS Multiphysics Solver (at R15.0)
ANSYS Fatigue Module
ANSYS HPC
ANSYS HPC Pack
ANSYS HPC Workgroup, ANSYS HPC Enterprise
ANSYS Meshing
ANSYS Extended Meshing (incl. TGrid, ANSYS ICEM CFD functionality)
ANSYS TurboGrid
ANSYS Polyflow, ANSYS Polyflow Solver
ANSYS Polyflow BlowMolding, ANSYS Polyflow Extrusion

## HPC Software for Performant Design Variation



**Local****Remote****Setup 1: All Processes Local**

Geometry Update  
Meshing Process  
Boundary Conditions Mapping  
Solution Process  
Result Extraction  
Result Processing

**Setup 2: Local Pre/Post and Remote Solve Process**

Geometry Update  
Meshing Process  
Boundary Conditions Mapping

Result Extraction  
Result Processing

Solution Process

**Setup 3: Main Processes Remote**

Geometry Update

Result Processing

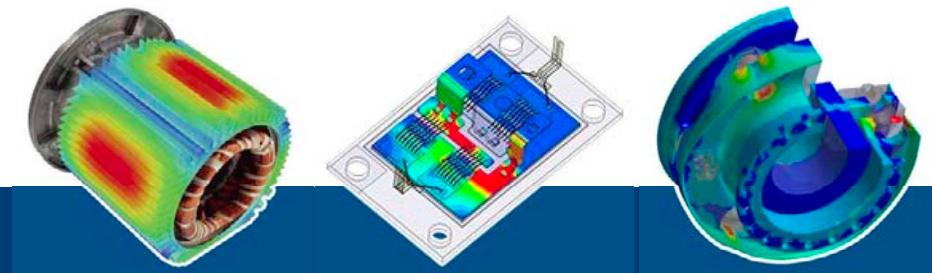
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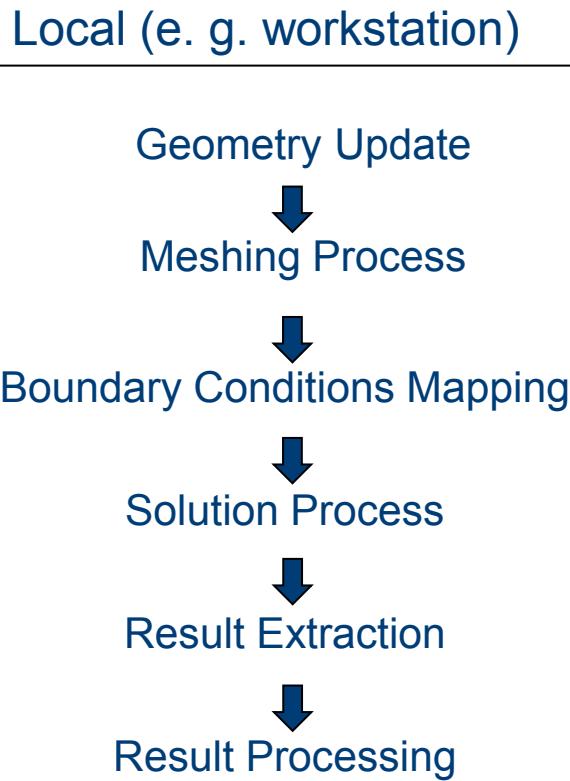
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## Workbench DP Handling

## Setup 1: All Processes Local



Remote (e. g. calculation node)

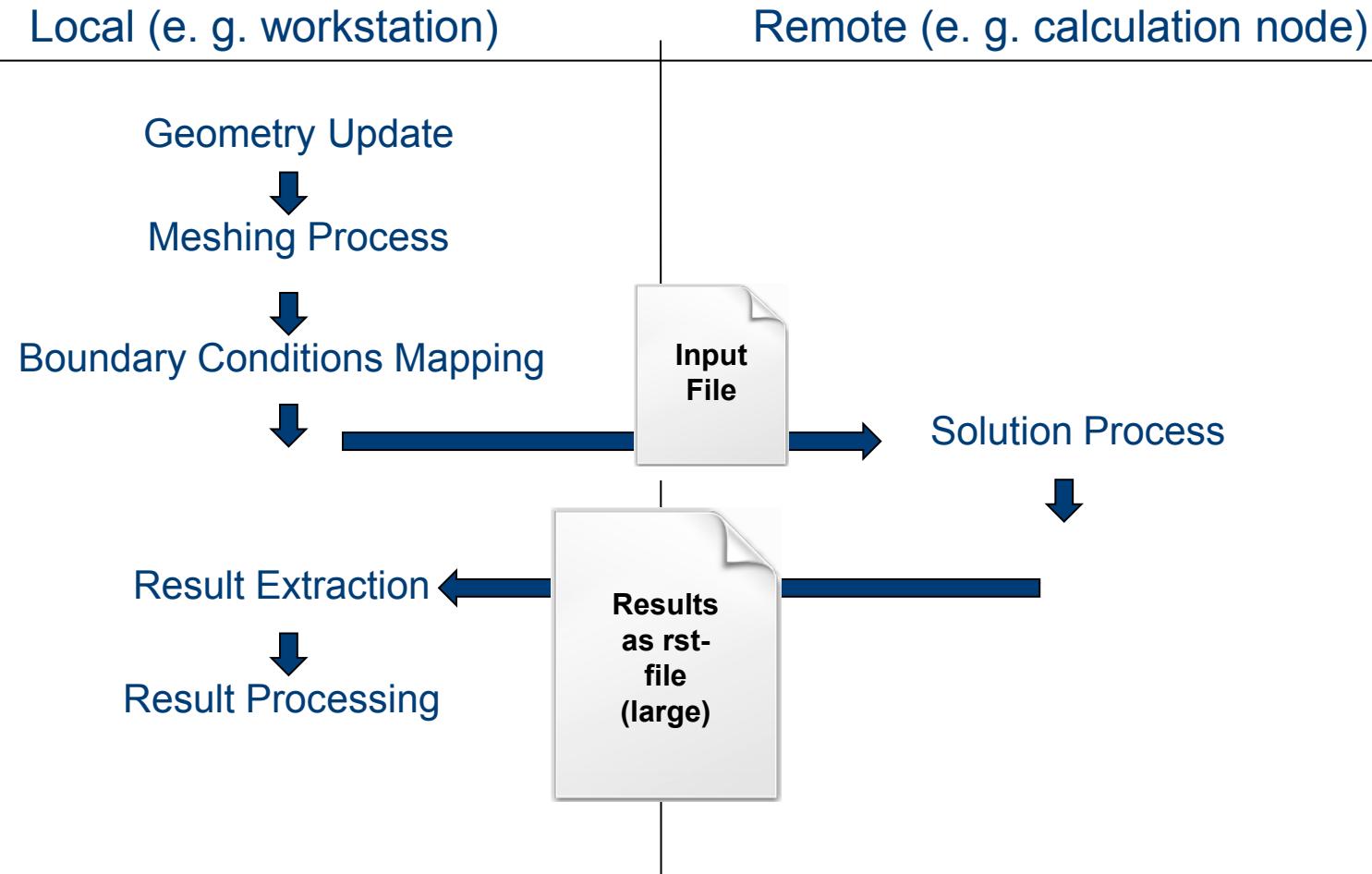
## Setup 1: All Processes Local

- All design points are calculated sequentially which means step by step (NO simultaneous processes)

The screenshot displays two windows from the CADFEM software interface. On the left is the 'Project Schematic' window, showing a tree structure with nodes A through 8 and a 'Parameter Set' node. A red box highlights node 6, 'Solution'. On the right is the 'Properties of Schematic A6: Solution' dialog, which contains a table with columns 'Property' and 'Value'. A red box highlights the 'Solution Process' section, which includes 'Update Option: Use application default' and 'Solve Process Setting: Eigener Computer'. On the far right is another 'Project Schematic' window showing node 2, 'Design Point Update Process', with a red box highlighting it. To its right is the 'Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set' dialog, showing a table with columns 'Property' and 'Value'. A red box highlights the 'Update Option: Run in Foreground' entry.

- Solution Process:
  - Update Option: Use application default → Local
- Design Point Update Process:
  - Update Option: Run in Foreground → Local

## Setup 2: Local Pre/Post and Remote Solve Process

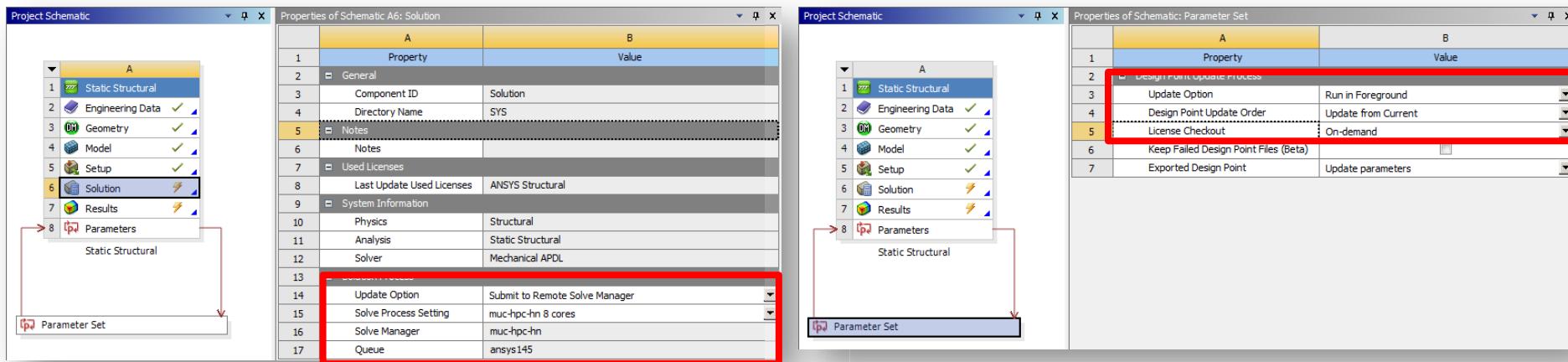


## Setup 2: Local Pre/Post and Remote Solve Process

- All design points are calculated sequentially or simultaneously
- Licensing:
  - On Demand
    - **Base licenses** is used → sequential process of design points
    - **NO ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack** available
  - Reserved
    - **Base licenses** useable
      - If multiple base licenses available → simultaneous process possible
      - **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack** useable → simultaneous process possible
      - **NO** usage of “ANSWAIT”-variable allowed

## Setup 2: Local Pre/Post and Remote Solve Process

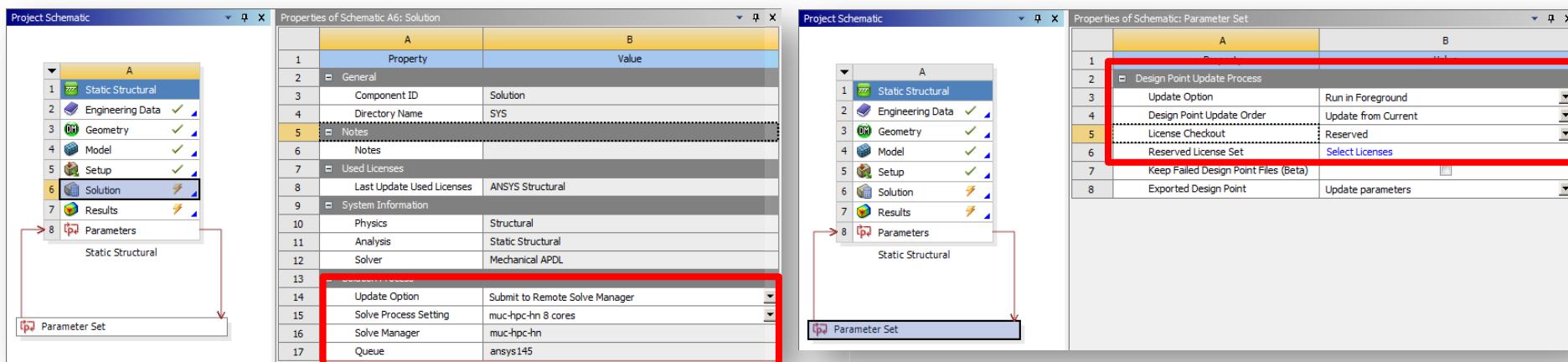
- Licensing: On Demand → Sequential process of design points



- Solution Process:
  - Update Option: Submit to Remote Solve Manager → Compute Server
- Design Point Update Process:
  - Update Option: Run in Foreground → Local

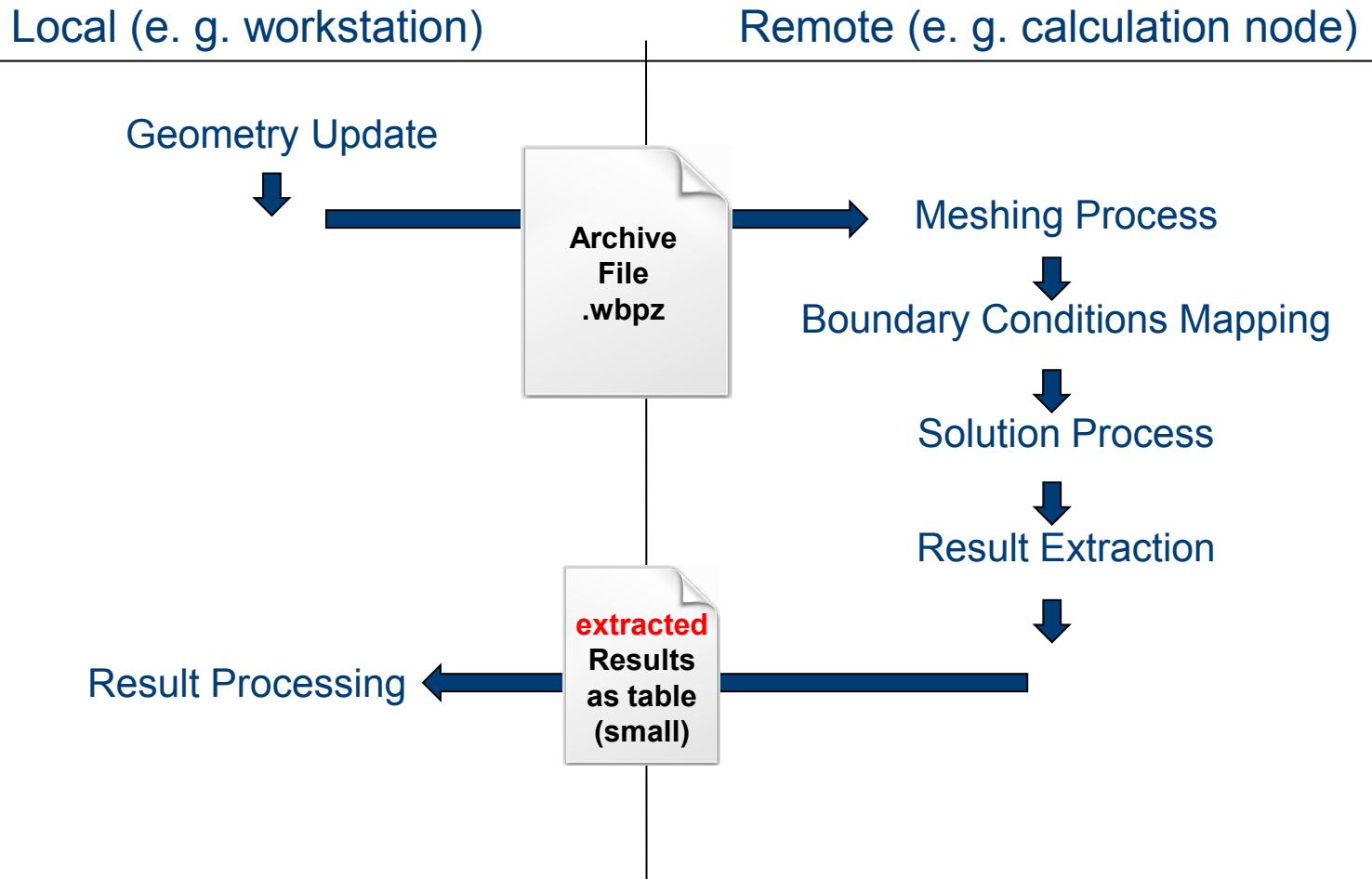
## Setup 2: Local Pre/Post and Remote Solve Process

- Licensing: Reserved Licenses → Simultaneous process of design points possible (ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack usage)



- Solution Process:
  - Update Option: Submit to Remote Solve Manager → Compute Server
- Design Point Update Process:
  - Update Option: Run in Foreground → Local

## Setup 3: Main Processes Remote = highest performance



## Setup 3: Main Processes Remote

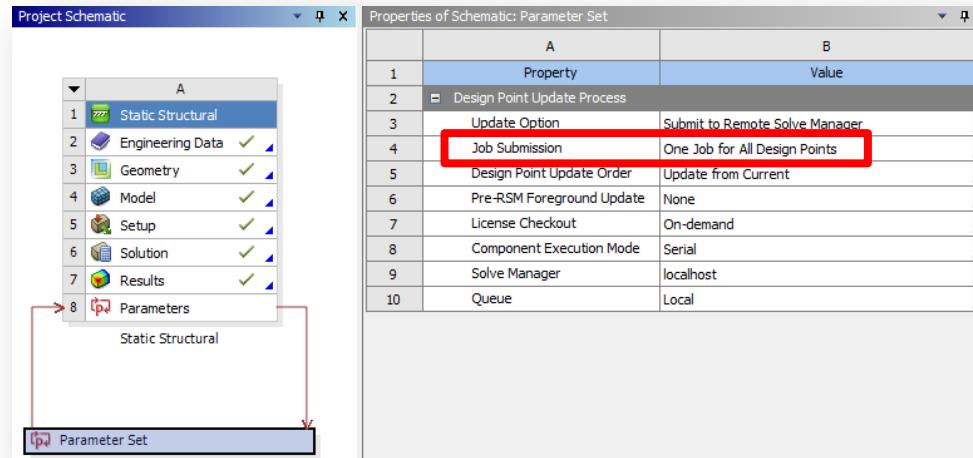
- All design points are calculated sequentially or simultaneously

The screenshot shows the CADFEM Project Schematic interface with two open windows:

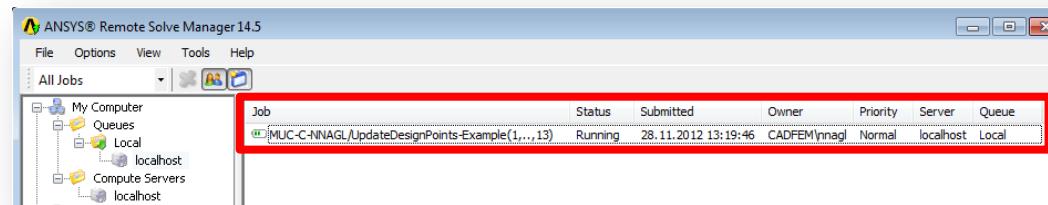
- Properties of Schematic A6: Solution**: This window displays properties for a solution named "Solution". The "Solution Process" section is highlighted with a red box, showing "Update Option: Use application default" and "Solve Process Setting: Eigener Computer".
- Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set**: This window displays properties for a parameter set. The "Design Point Update Process" section is highlighted with a red box, showing "Update Option: Submit to Remote Solve Manager".
- Project Schematic**: The main interface showing the project structure with nodes like Static Structural, Engineering Data, Geometry, Model, Setup, and Results.
- Parameter Set**: A specific node under the main schematic.

- Solution Process:**
  - Update Option: Use application default
- Design Point Update Process:**
  - Update Option: Submit to Remote Solve Manager → Compute Server
- Processing order defined by 3 types of settings (see following slides)

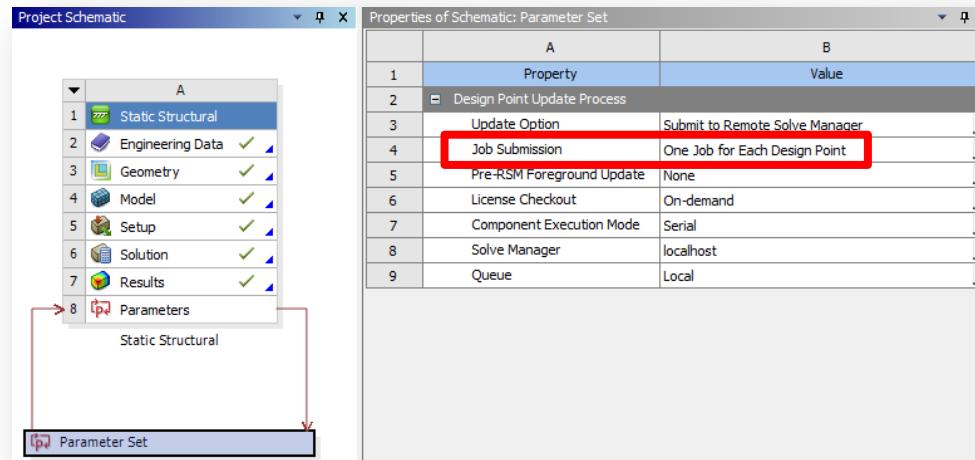
## Setup 3.1: One Job for All Design Points



- Sequential process for all design points which means step by step, not simultaneously
- 1 Job is sent to RSM including dp1, dp2, ... dpn

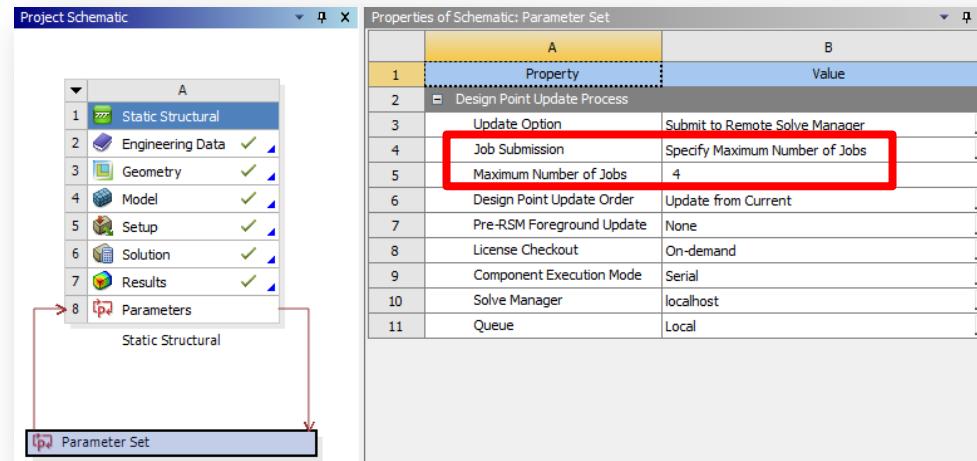


## Setup 3.2: One Job Each Design Point



- Number of jobs is equal to design points
  - e. g. 32 design points → 32 jobs
  - Jobs can be processed sequentially or simultaneously, depending on licensing and **adjusted RSM settings**

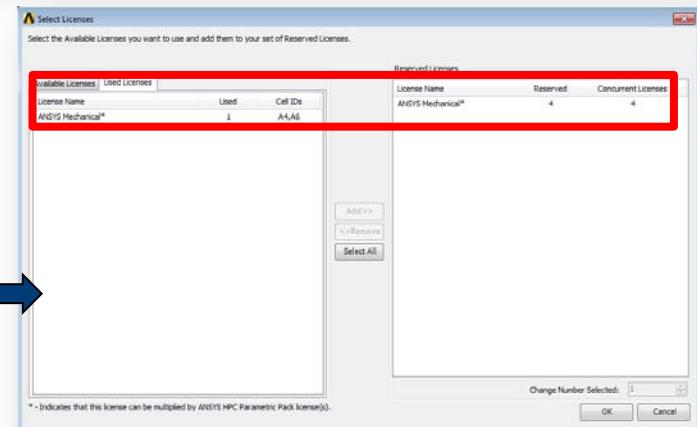
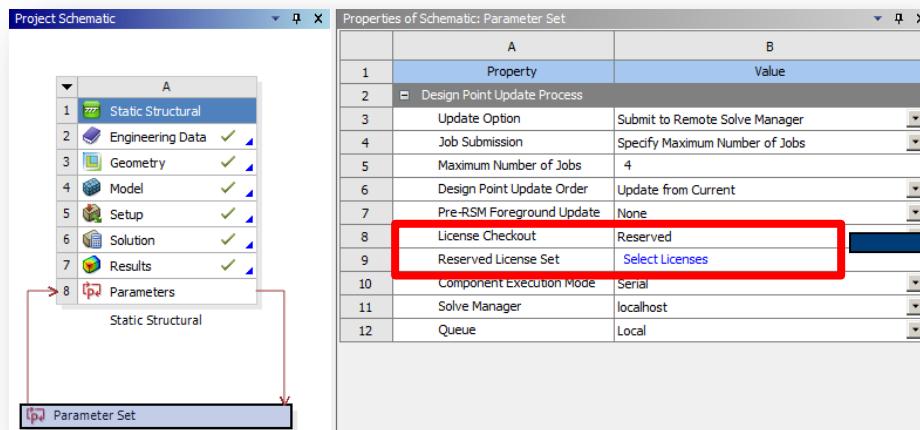
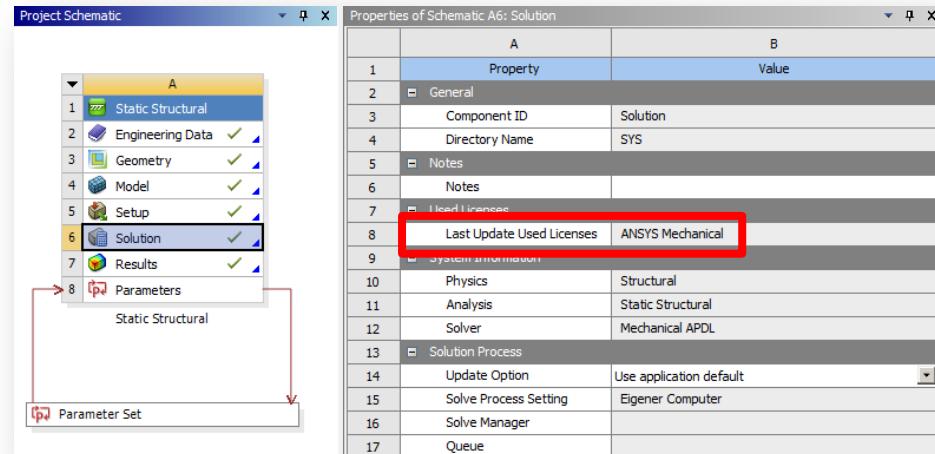
## Setup 3.3 : Specify Maximum Number of Jobs



- Maximum number of jobs is limited
  - Jobs can be processed sequentially or simultaneously, depending on licensing and **static RSM setting**
  - All Design Points in the Parameter Manager are equally distributed to the defined number of jobs

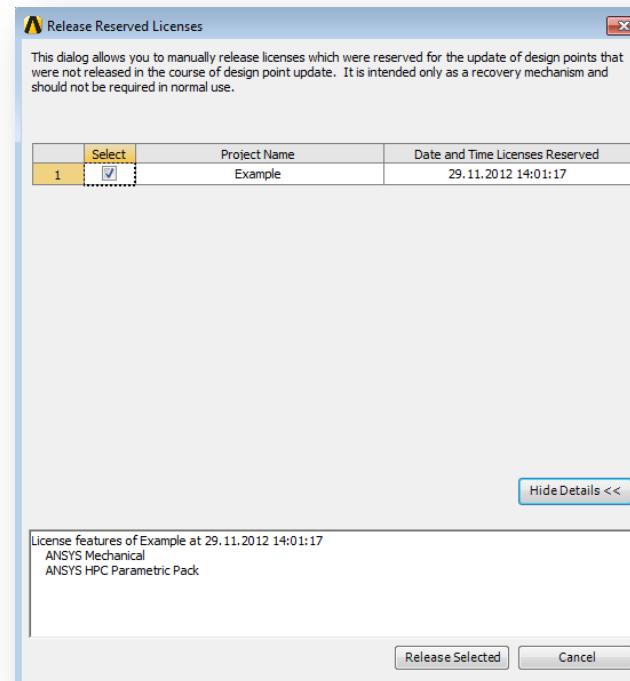
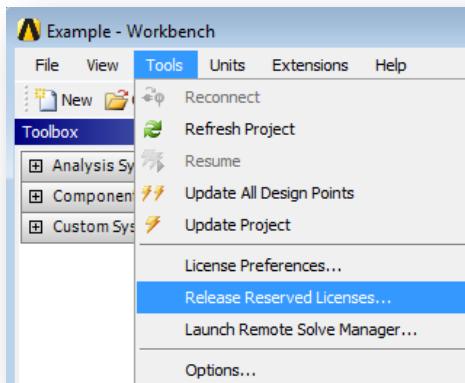
## License Tracking for „Reserved Licenses“

- License tracking requires a solution started from solution cell in project manager (with Mechanical closed)
- There are two locations, where used licenses are displayed
  - In cells of the system in project manager
  - In the Parameter Set / Reserved License Set setting



## Release „Reserved Licenses“

- In case of processes terminated abnormally, reserved licenses remain reserved and will not be available.
- However, these licenses can be released manually.



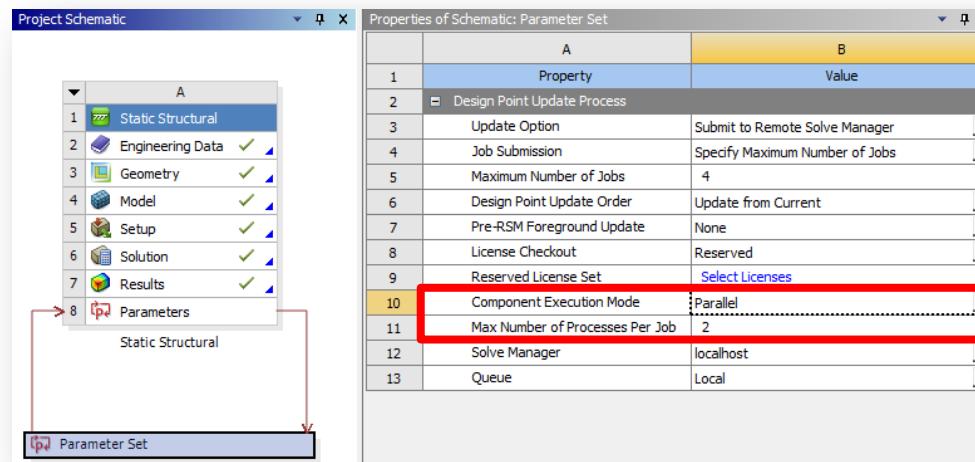
## Restrictions in Multiplying Licenses

- One HPC Parametric Pack amplifies only one base license
- A mixture of amplified and non amplified base licenses is not possible
  - E. g.
    - 3 x **ANSYS Mechanical** + 1 x **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack** available
    - For one parametric study, you may use EITHER
      - 1 x **ANSYS Mechanical** + 1 x **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack** for 4 simultaneous jobs
      - OR
        - 3 x **ANSYS Mechanical** for 3 simultaneous jobs
    - **BUT NOT**
      - 1 x **ANSYS Mechanical** + 1 x **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack** + 2 x **ANSYS Mechanical** for 6 simultaneous jobs



# Parallel Execution Mode for Multicore Processing

- Switch default setting “Serial” (1 Core) to “Parallel” (Multicore)

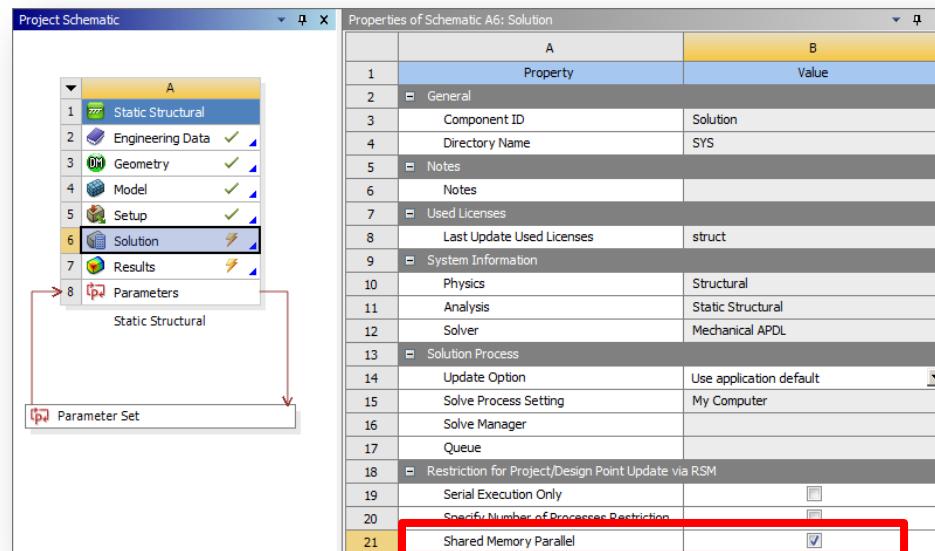


- Example:
  - 8 core machine
  - Setup for simultaneous processing enabled (Reserved Licenses + **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack** + **ANSYS Mechanical**, RSM Limiter: 50 Jobs)
  - Specified Maximum Number of Jobs: 4
  - Maximum Number of Processes per Job: 2 (means 2 Cores per Job)  
→ 8 cores in use while processing

## Calculation Modes – SMP and DMP

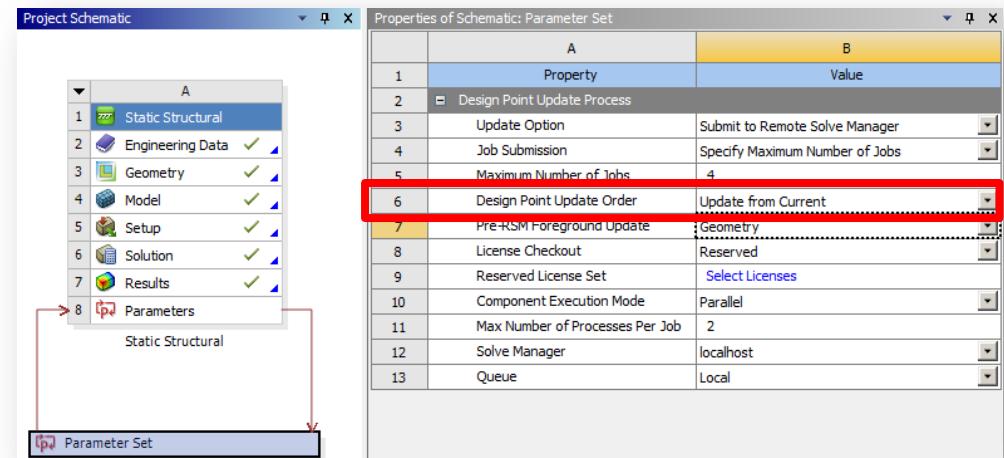
### Setting in „Component Execution Mode“

- Serial: SMP single core calculation  
→ Shared Memory ANSYS
- Parallel:
  - Default calculation mode: DMP multicore calculation with n cores  
→ Distributed ANSYS
  - If DMP cannot be used for calculation, in most cases the mode changes automatically to SMP.
  - Manual change of calculation mode to SMP possible



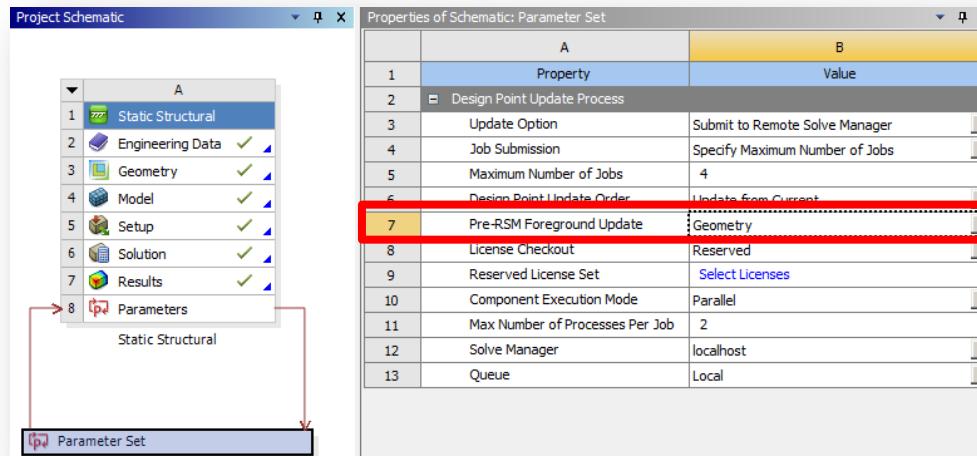
## Design Point Update Order

- Update from Current: (recommended!)
  - Each design point is updated from the initial model (current design point in the design point manager)
- Update Design Points in Order:
  - Next design point refers to the previous design point which was updated
- Pro
  - If changes from DP to DP are small → time saving
- Con
  - If one DP update is failed → next DP will fail



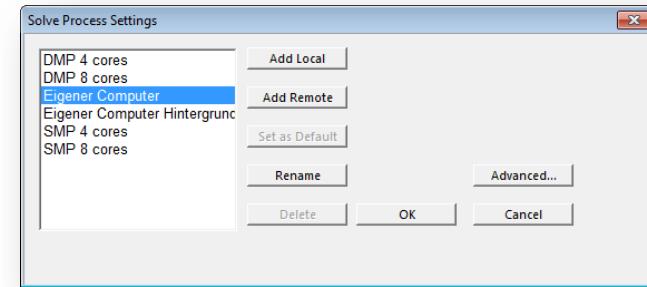
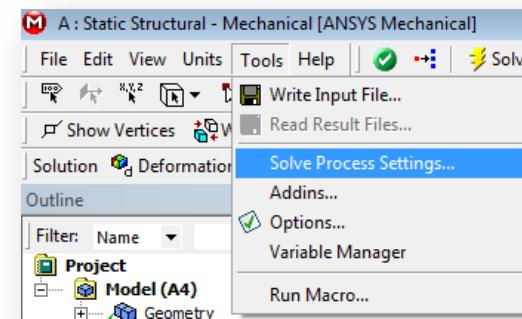
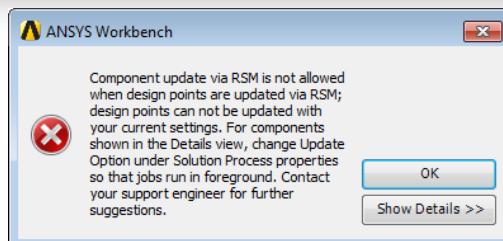
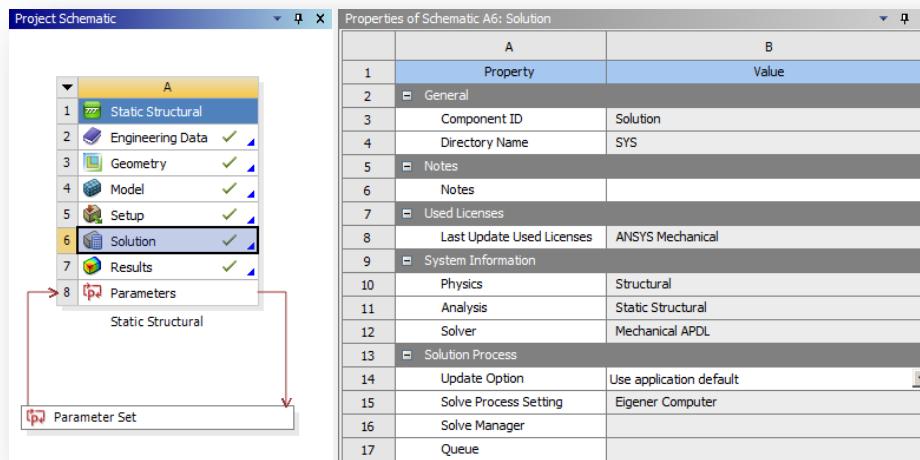
## Geometry Update with Pre-RSM Foreground Update

- In case of simultaneous settings, an upfront update of **all** Geometries is done automatically, no matter which Pre-RSM option is set
- In the other cases, the user can choose



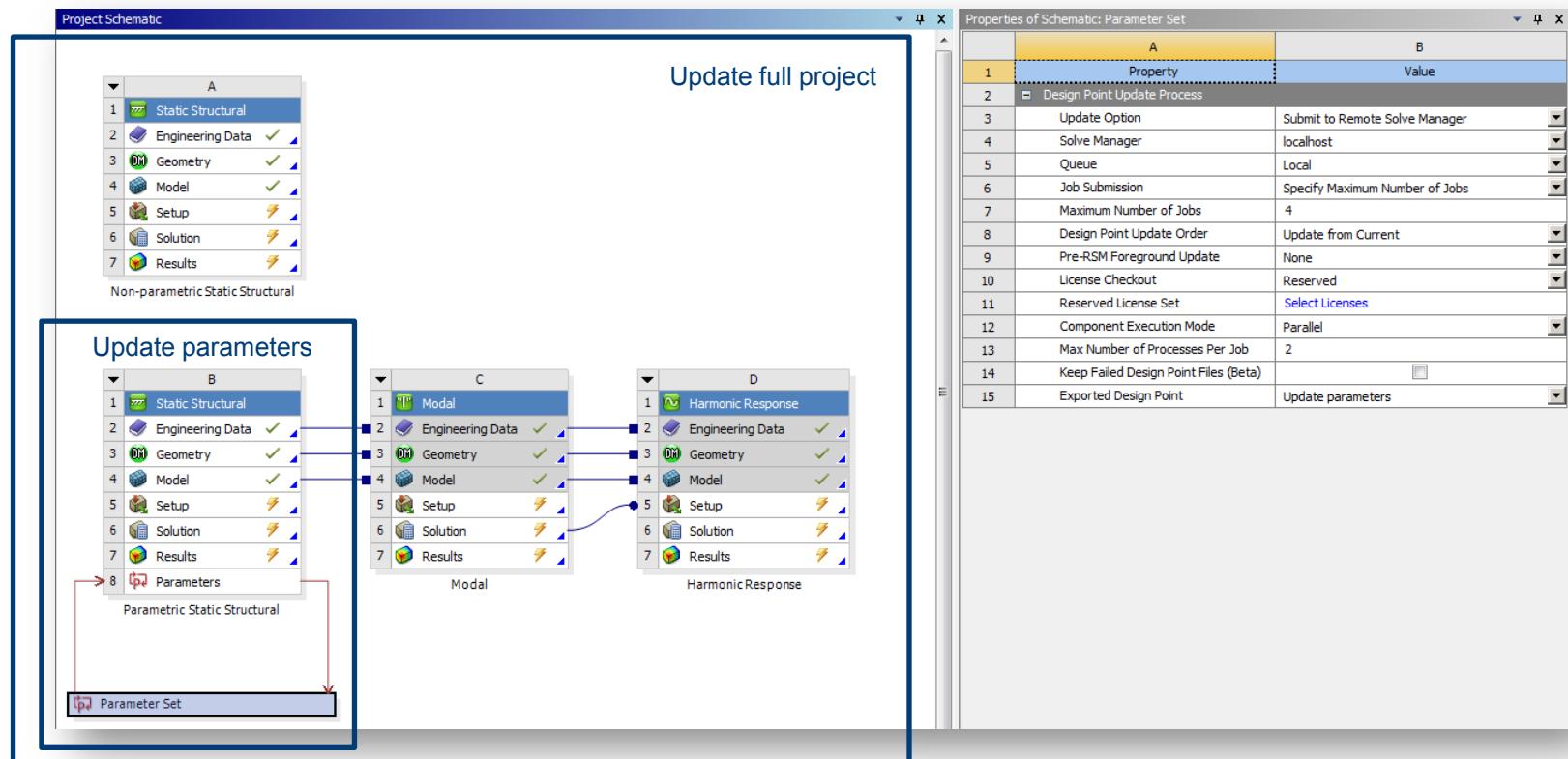
## Application Default Setting in Update Option

- The update option in the solution cell has to be set to „Eigener Computer“. Otherwise a warning arises. The default solve setting need to be defined in the Solve Process Setting in the Mechanical Editor.



## Update Parameters vs. Update full Project

- Update Parameters: Only unsolved analysis systems with parameters will be updated
- Update full Project: All unsolved analysis systems will be updated



## Example

- Simultaneous Processing with ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack
  - 32 core remote compute server machine
  - 1 x **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack**
  - 1 x **ANSYS HPC Pack**
  - 1 x **ANSYS Mechanical**
  - 100 design points
  - Geometry parameters + load parameters

The image shows two side-by-side CADFEM Project Schematic windows. Each schematic contains a tree view of components and a corresponding Properties table.

**Left Schematic (A):**

- Components: Static Structural, Engineering Data, Geometry, Model, Setup, Solution, Results.
- Properties Table:

A	B
Property	Value
General	
Component ID	Solution
Directory Name	SYS
Notes	
Used Licenses	
Last Update Used Licenses	ANSYS Mechanical
System Information	
Physics	Structural
Analysis	Static Structural
Solver	Mechanical APDL
Solution Process	
Update Option	Use application default
Solve Process Setting	Eigener Computer
Solve Manager	

**Right Schematic (B):**

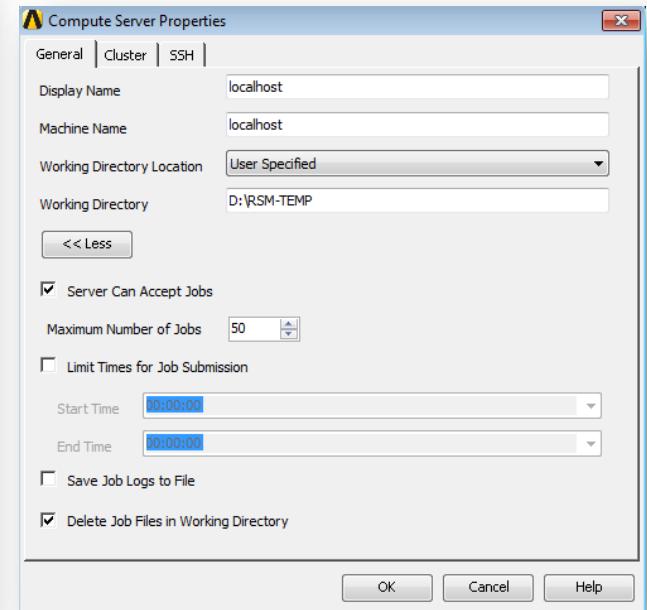
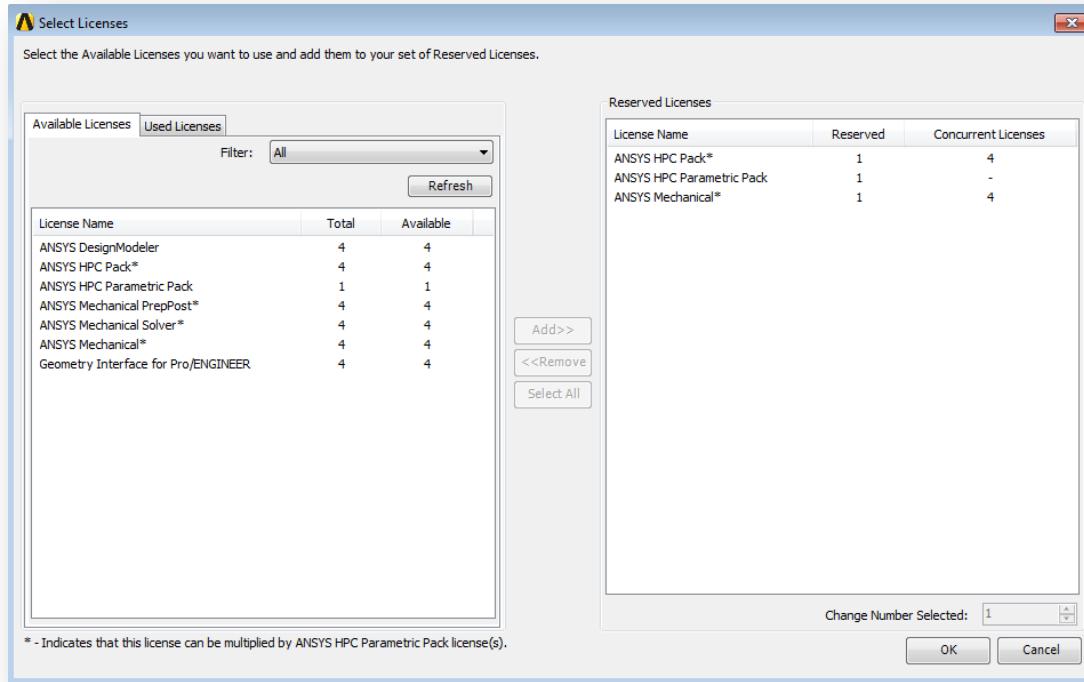
- Components: Static Structural, Engineering Data, Geometry, Model, Setup, Solution, Results.
- Properties Table:

A	B
Property	Value
Design Point Update Process	
Update Option	Submit to Remote Solve Manager
Job Submission	Specify Maximum Number of Jobs
Maximum Number of Jobs	4
Design Point Update Order	Update from Current
Pre-RSM Foreground Update	Geometry
License Checkout	Reserved
Reserved License Set	Select Licenses
Component Execution Mode	Parallel
Max Number of Processes Per Job	8
Solve Manager	localhost
Queue	Local

**Bottom Center:** Recommended Setup

## Example

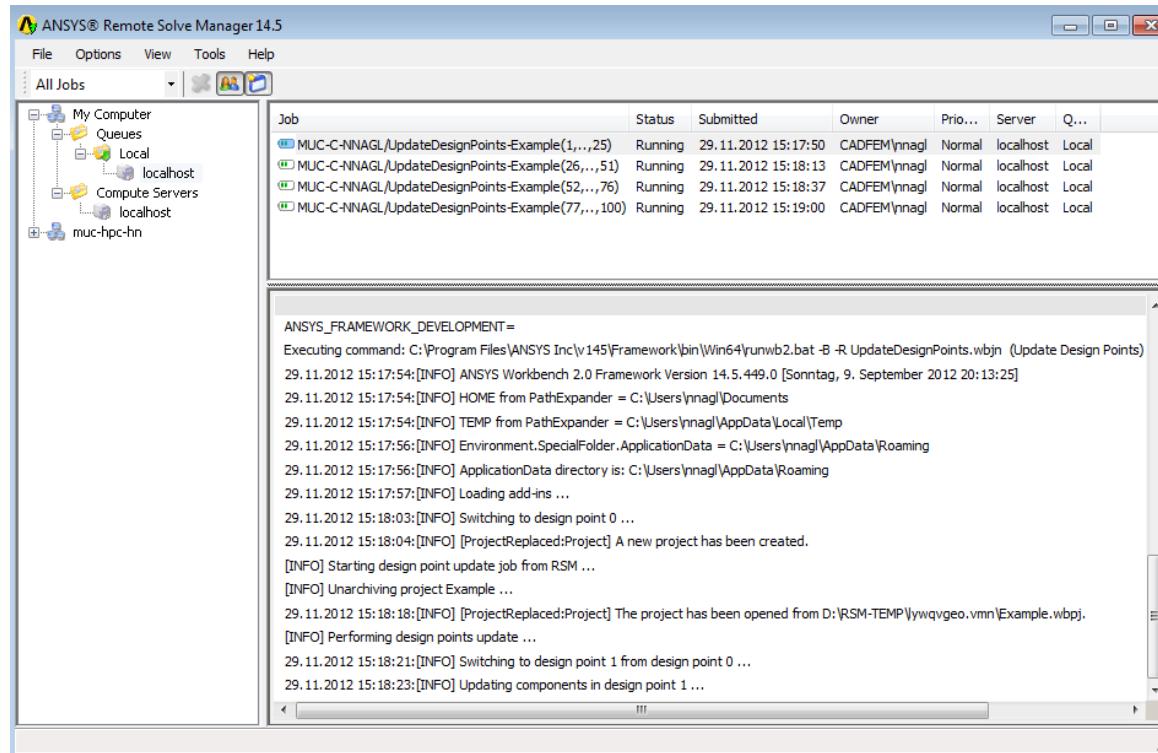
- Simultaneous Processing with ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack



Recommended Setup

## Example

- Simultaneous Processing with ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack



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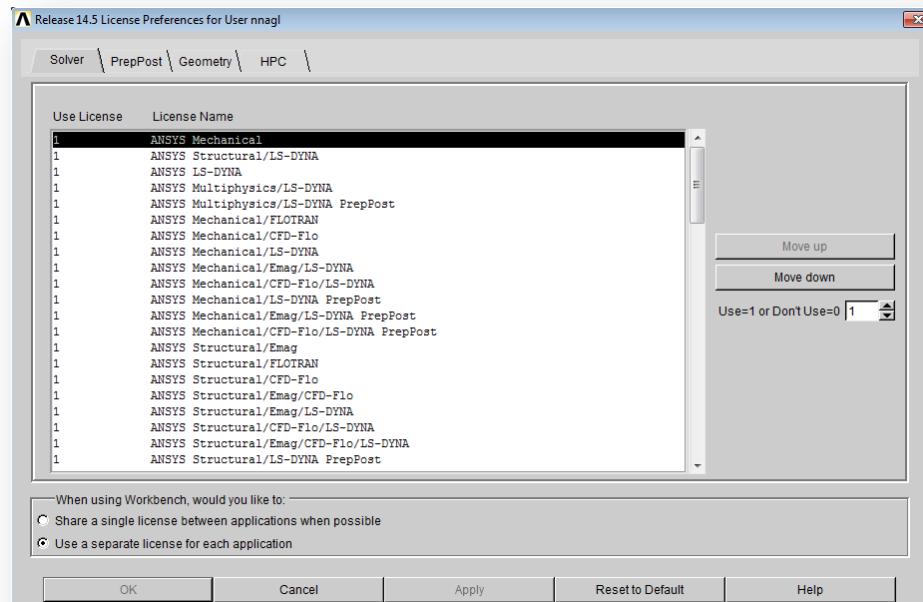
## Example - Summary

- Simultaneous Processing with ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack
  - Simultaneous processing enabled by
    - “Reserved Licenses”
    - Specified Maximum Number of Jobs: 4
    - **ANSYS HPC Parametric Pack**
  - All geometries are updated locally upfront
  - 4 jobs in process (each job includes 25 design points), 0 jobs in RSM-Queue
  - 8 cores per job → 32 cores in process; enabled by ANSYS HPC Pack
  - Specified Maximum Number of Jobs < RSM Limiter



## Settings

- “ANSWAIT“ variable must not be set
- Set user specific variable:
  - ANSYS\_FRAMEWORK\_ENABLE\_REDUCE\_RSM\_FILE\_TRANSFER=1
  - Reduces transfer from compute server to local client to scalar results in parameter manager only
  - BUT: From client TO compute server, the full project incl. all included data is transferred
    - Recommendation: clear all simulation results from the current design in the Mechanical Editor
- For selecting licenses in „reserved licenses“, they need to be activated in “Licenses Preferences” (e. g. Mechanical = 1)



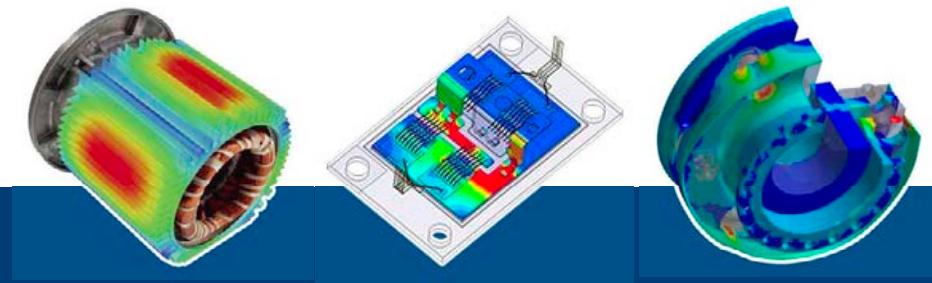
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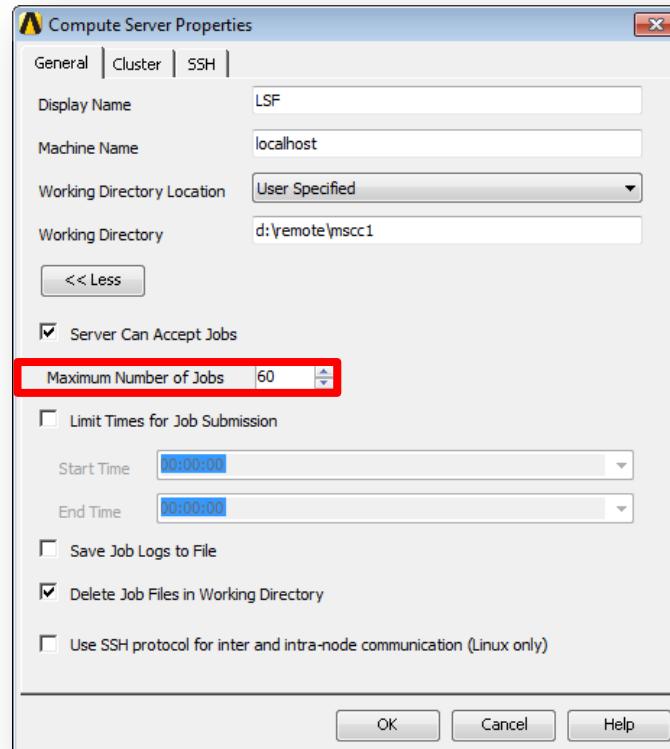
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## Job Limitation



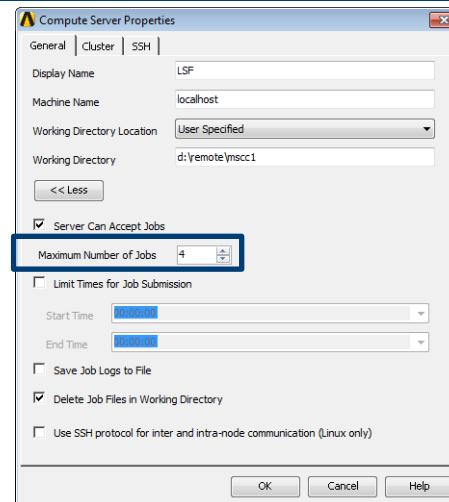
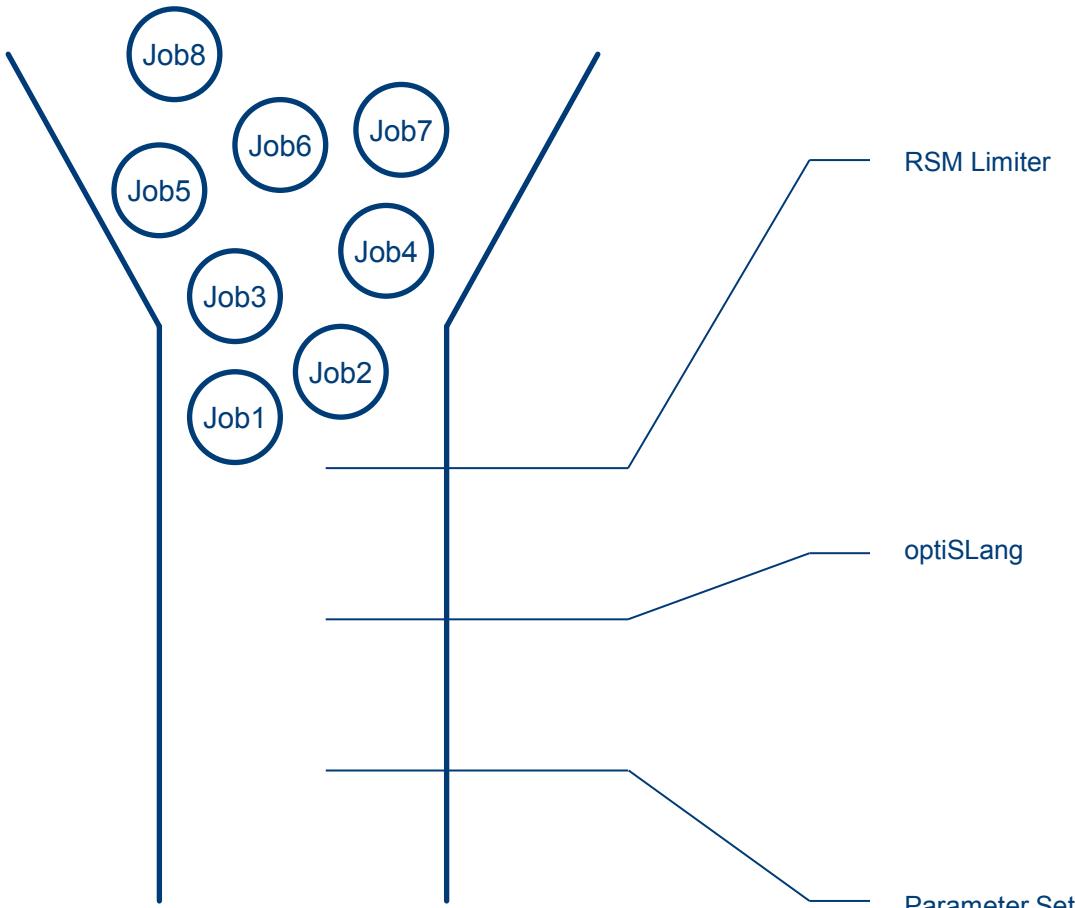
## RSM Limiter – Limiting Maximum Number of Jobs

- RSM Settings for Compute Server
  - RSM limits Maximum Number of Jobs → RSM Limiter



→ RSM Limiter

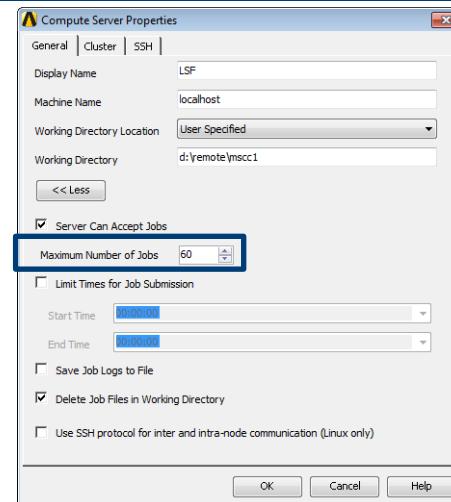
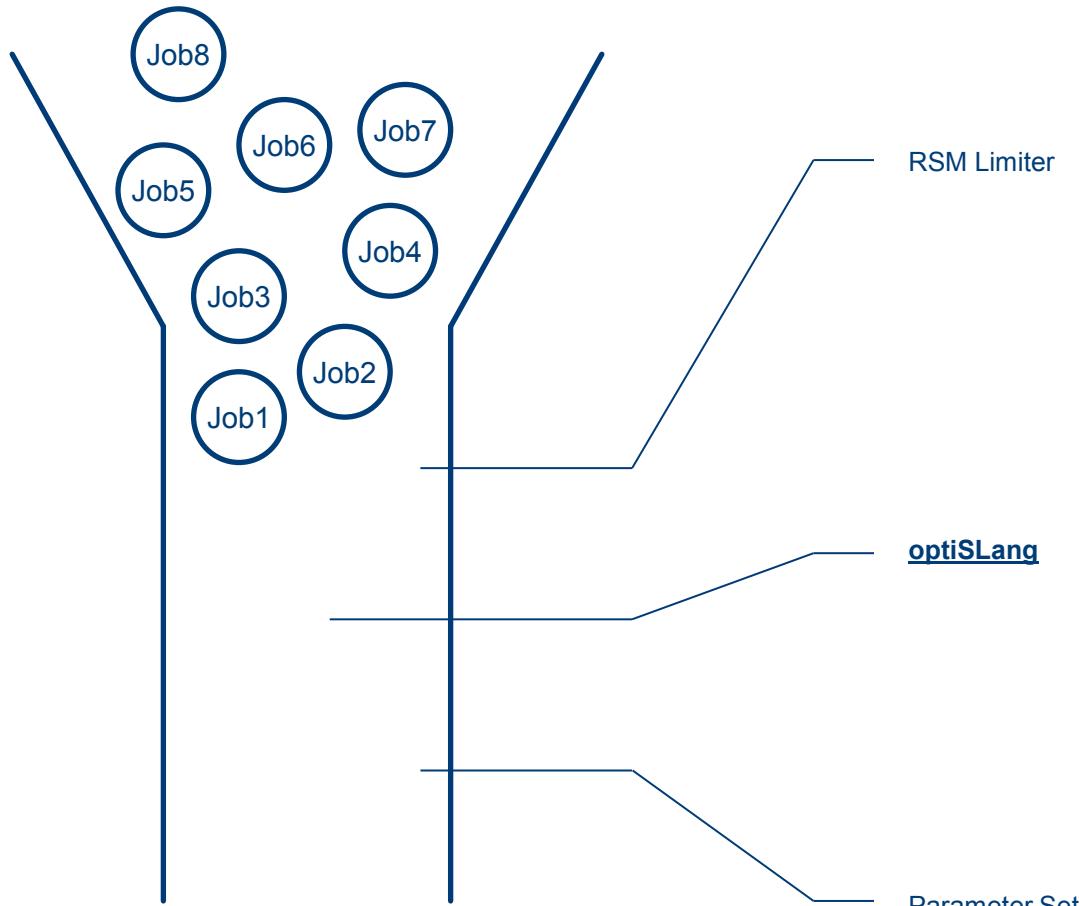
## Job Limitation – 3 Ways to Adjust



Properties of Schematic B2: DOE	
A	B
1	Property
2	Value
3	Component ID
4	DOE (optiSLang)
5	Directory Name
6	Sensitivity
7	Save Design Points As Projects
8	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	Clear Design Table during Update
10	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Notes
12	Specify Maximum Runtime per Job
13	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Use RSM Mode
12	Preferred Number of Simultaneous Runs
13	4
13	Run Python Script for Update

Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set	
A	B
1	Property
2	Value
3	Design Point Update Process
4	Update Option
5	Submit to Remote Solve Manager
6	Solve Manager
7	muc-hpc-hn
5	Queue
6	ansys145
6	Job Submission
7	Specify Maximum Number of Jobs
7	4

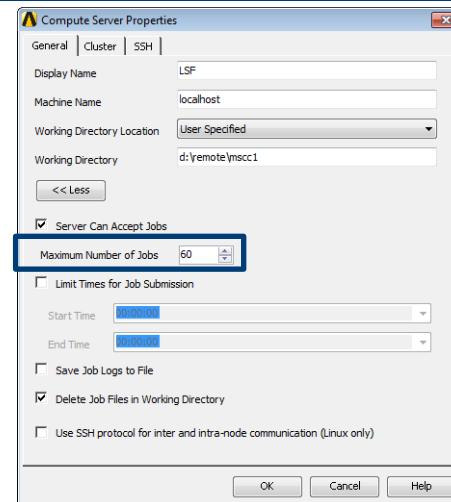
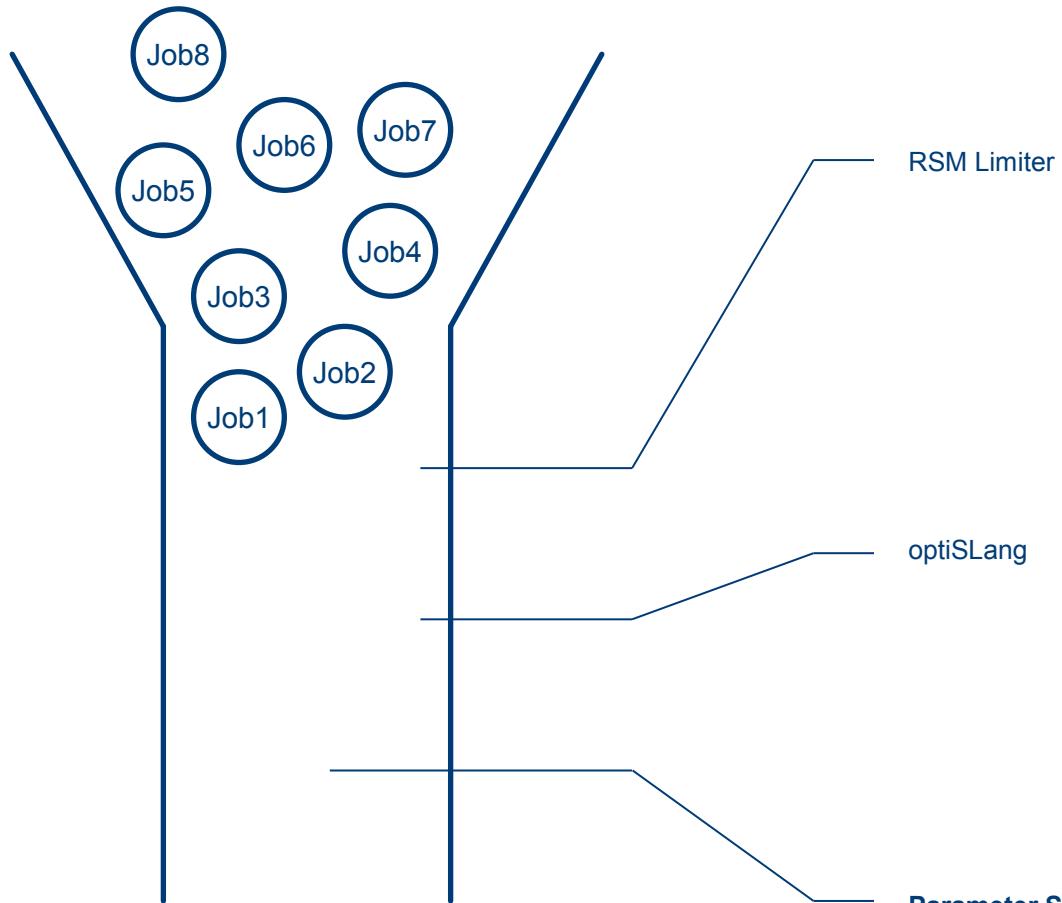
## Job Limitation – Adjustment for Setup 2



Properties of Schematic B2: DOE		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	Component ID	DOE (optiSLang)
3	Directory Name	Sensitivity
4	Save Design Points As Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Clear Design Table during Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Notes	
7	Notes	
8	Update Options	
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10	Use RSM Mode	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	Preferred Number of Simultaneous Runs	4
12	Run Python Script for Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	Design Point Update Process	
3	Update Option	Run in Foreground
4	Design Point Update Order	Update from Current
5	License Checkout	Reserved
6	Reserved License Set	Select Licenses
7	Keep Failed Design Point Files (Beta)	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Exported Design Point	Update parameters

# Job Limitation – Adjustment for Setup 3



Properties of Schematic B2: DOE		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	General	
3	Component ID	DOE (optiSLang)
4	Directory Name	Sensitivity
5	Save Design Points As Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Clear Design Table during Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Notes	
8	Notes	
9	Update Options	
10	Specify Maximum Runtime per Job	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Use RSM Mode	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Preferred Number of Simultaneous Runs	64
13	Run Python Script for Update	<input type="checkbox"/>

Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	Design Point Update Process	
3	Update Option	Submit to Remote Solve Manager
4	Solve Manager	muc-hpc-hn
5	Queue	ansys145
6	Job Submission	Specify Maximum Number of Jobs
7	Maximum Number of Jobs	4

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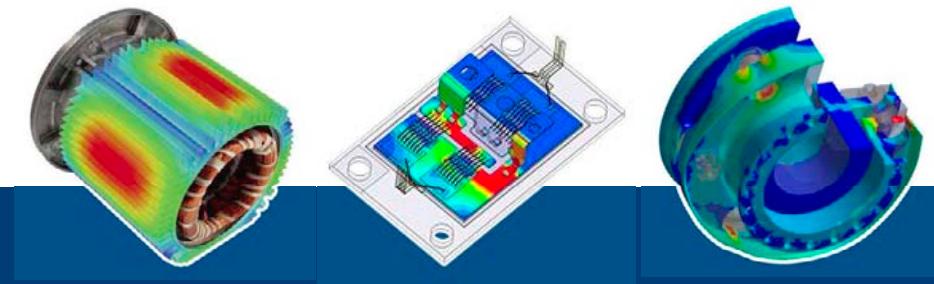
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## Cloud Computing

Fujitsu RDO cluster



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## Optimisation Cluster elements

### Head node = 1x PRIMERGY RX350 S8



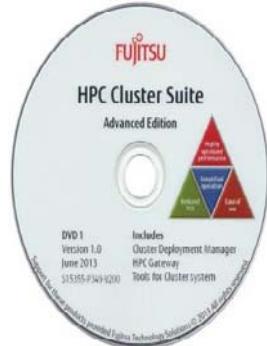
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MEM: 8\*16384 MB /DDR3 /1866 Mhz  
1\*NVIDIA Tesla K40m  
Mellanox FDR 1 port  
4 \* SAS 900GB 10 k  
2 disc in RAID1 for RedHat and HCS  
2 disc in RAID0 for data

### Compute nodes = 8x PRIMERGY CX250 S2



CPU: 2\*E5-2697V2 (12 core, 2,7GHz)  
MEM: 16\*8GB /1866 Mhz (on cn1 and cn2 8\*16GB)  
Mellanox FDR 1 port  
RAID controller 0/1  
2 \* SAS 900GB 10 k  
2 disc in RAID0 for RedHat & data

### System stack = Fujitsu HPC Cluster Suite (HCS)



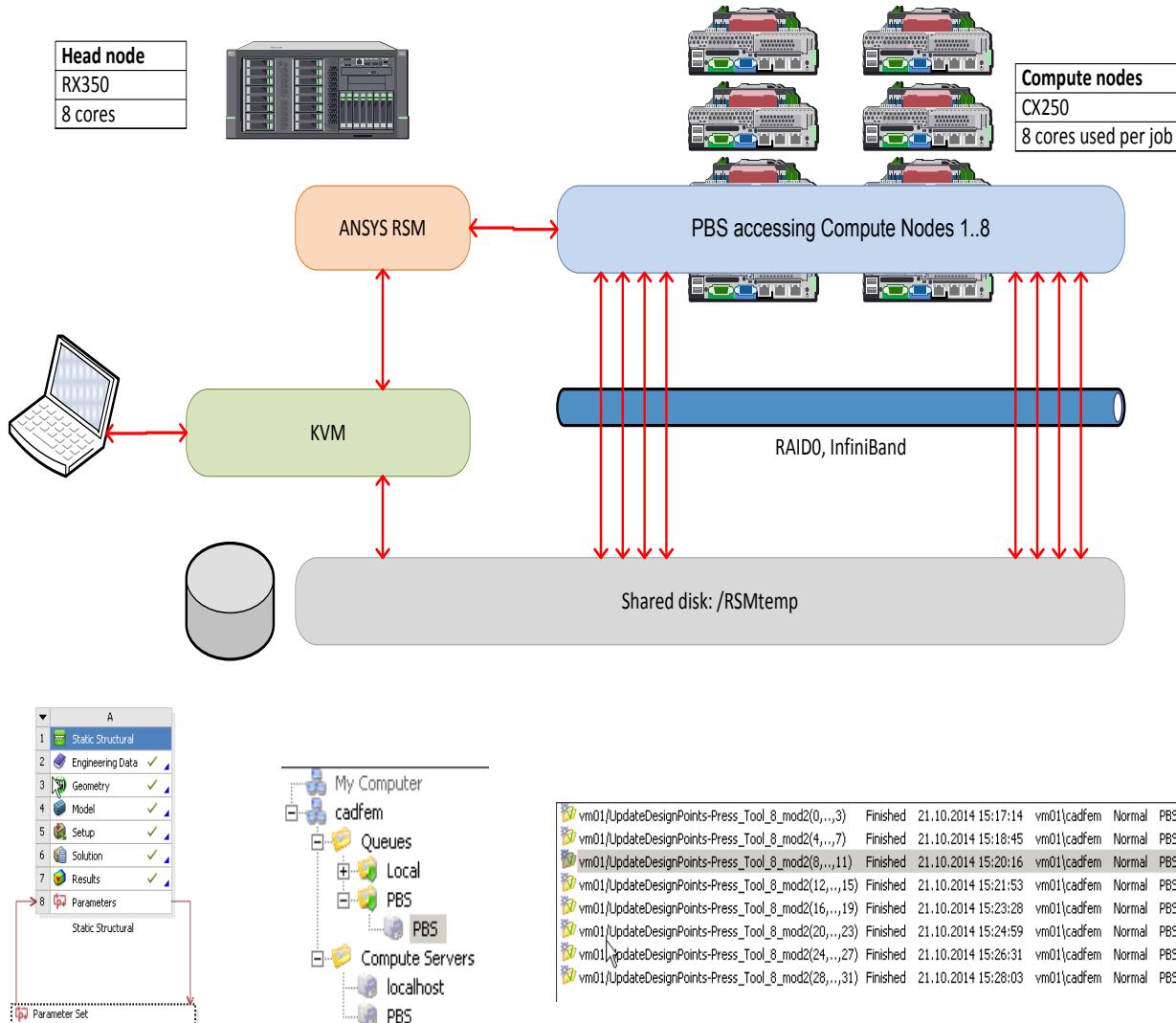
OS: RedHat Enterprise Linux 6.4  
HCS version 2.2\_04  
Advanced Edition  
PBSpro: 12.2.0.133411  
ICR certified

### Fast interconnect = InfiniBand

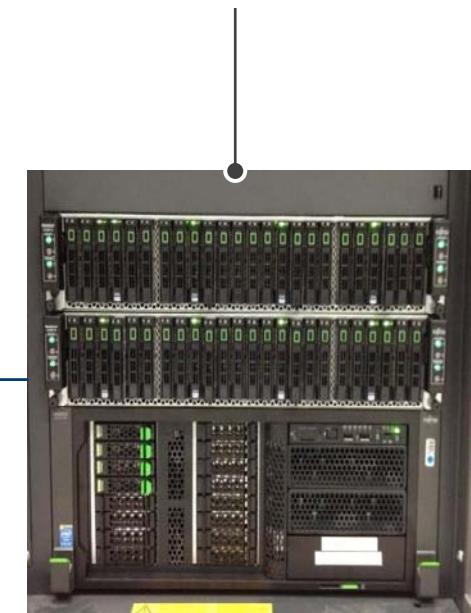


Mellanox FDR for MPI and I/O  
GbE for management and control

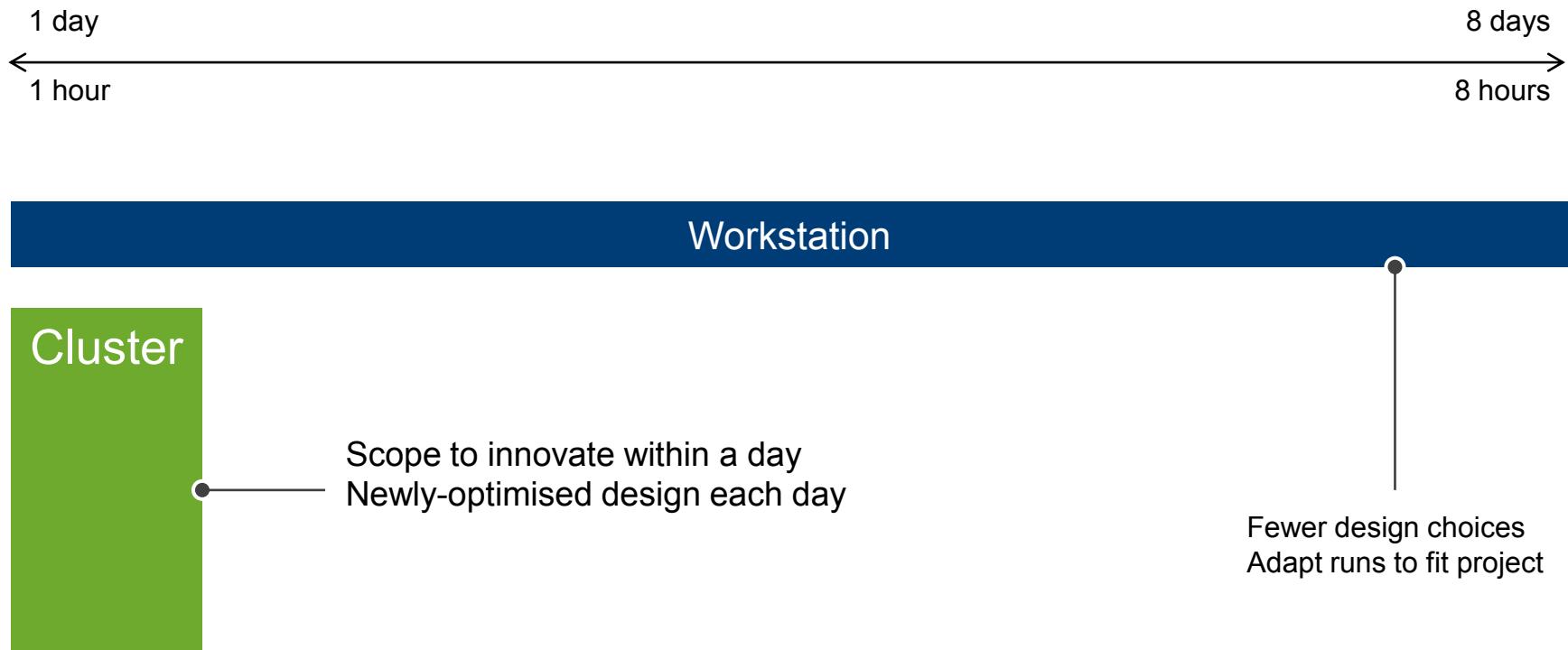
## RDO Cluster Setup



Pre-packaged as a ready-to-use appliance



# Parallel RDO is transformative

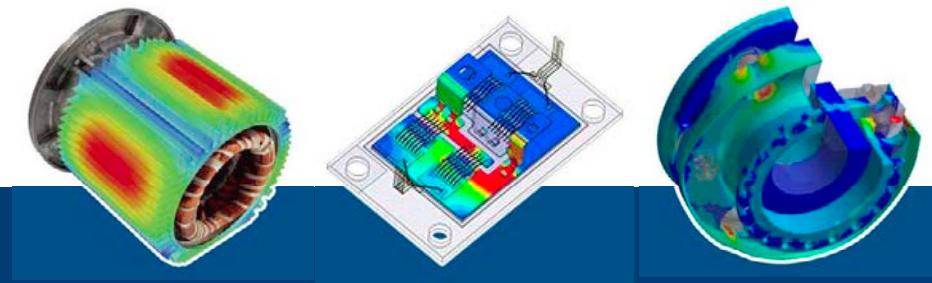


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## Test Example

Fujitsu RDO cluster

## Press Tool - Overview

- Description

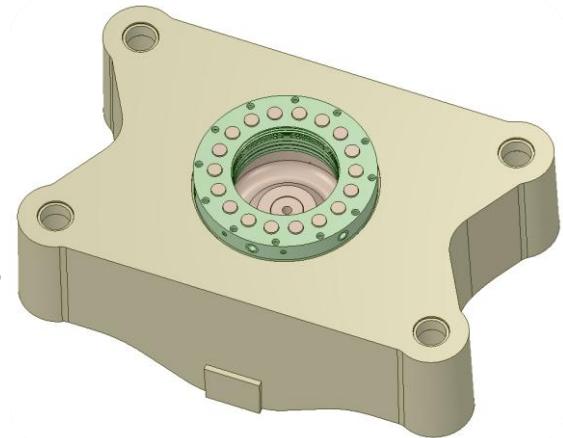
- This press tool is a part of a hydraulic press. It is guided by four poles and loaded with pressure.
- Manual geometry and load case variation

- Objectives:

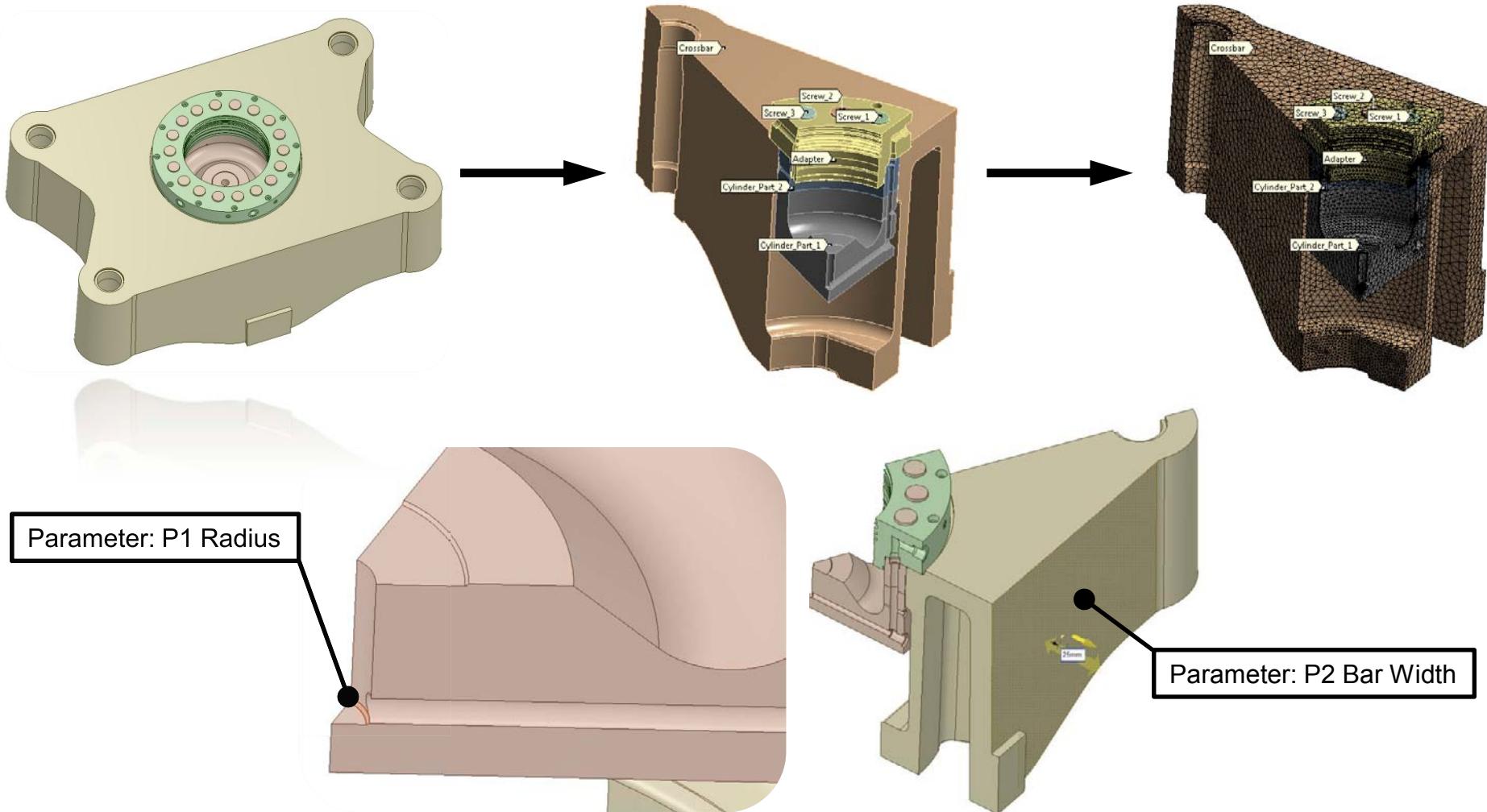
- Find out the minimum radius in the cylinder
- Understand influence of pressure load to stresses in adapter
- Mass reduction considering Total deformation and stresses

- Parameters:

- 2 variable parameters in the CAD geometry
- 5 load parameters (2 pressure and 3 force parameters)

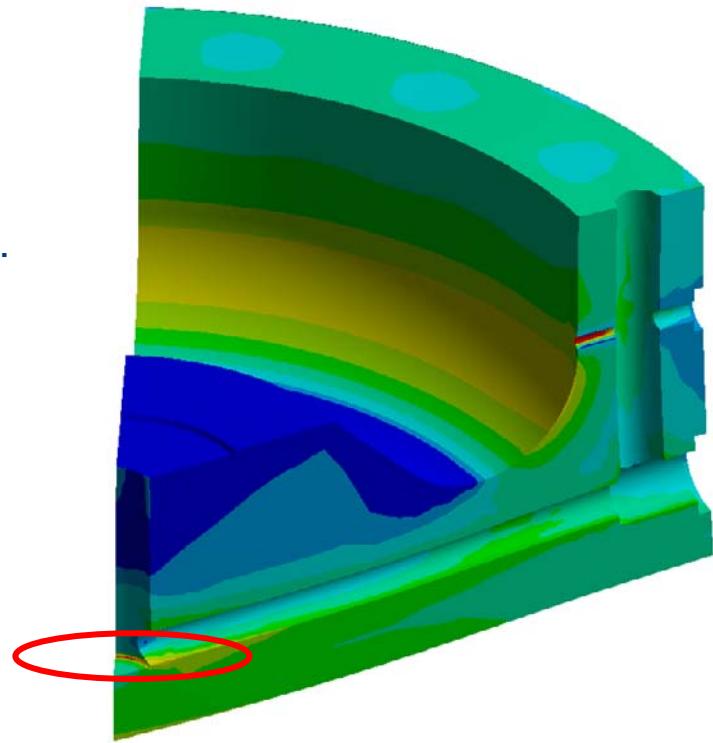
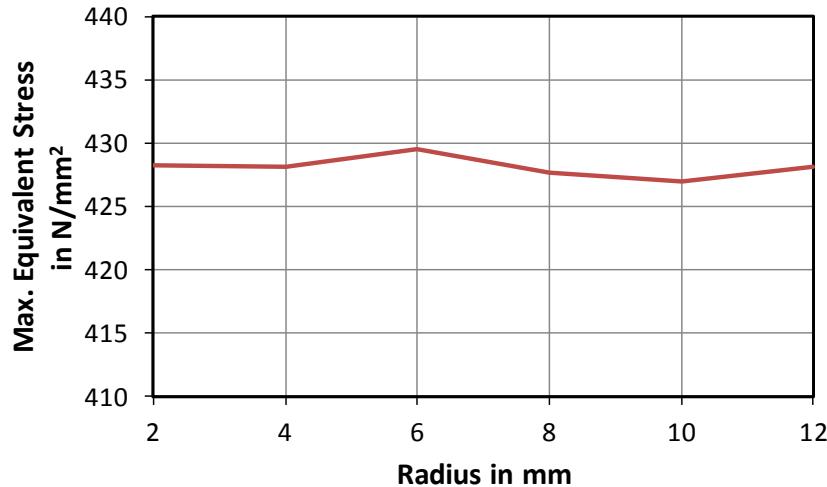


## Model: Crossbar in Press Tool



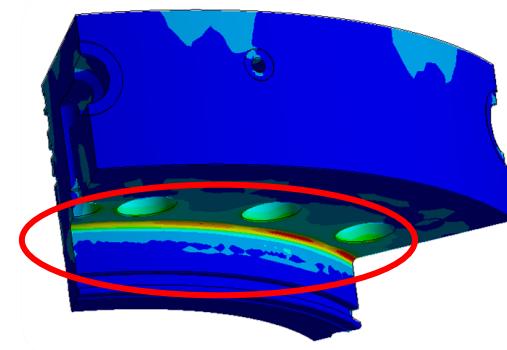
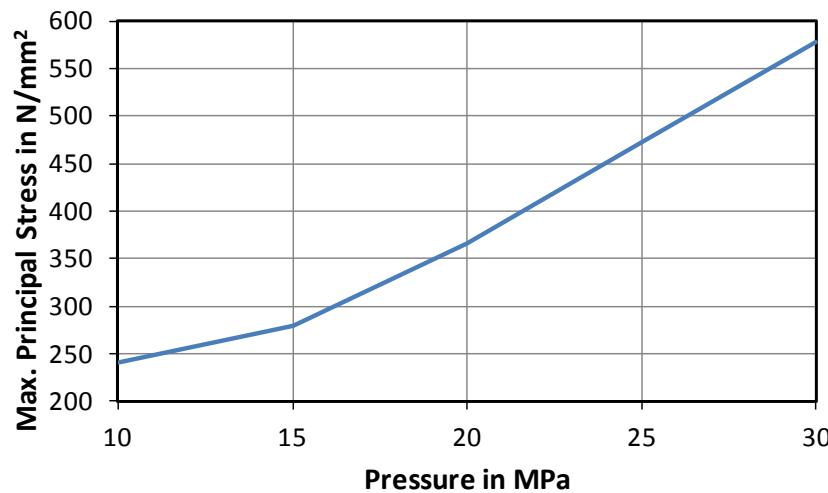
## Results - Overview

- How to minimize the Radius (increased contact area) without exceeding max. stresses?
  - The variation of the radius has no influence on the maximum equivalent stress of the cylinder.
  - The geometry can be modeled with a radius of 4 mm in this area.
  - Critical stresses are dominated by the fluid channel.



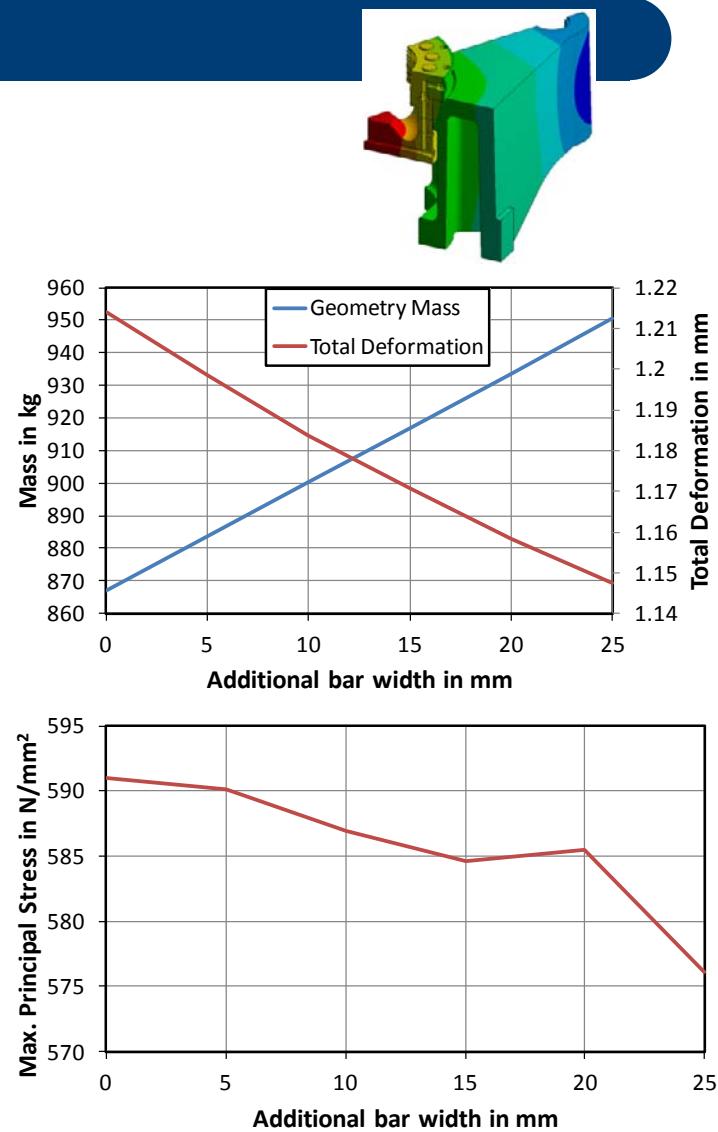
## Results - Overview

- Understand influence of pressure load to stresses in adapter
  - Pressure load variation from 10 MPa to 30 MPa
  - Stresses in adapter:
    - Nonlinear behavior between the pressure load and maximum principal stresses



## Results - Overview

- Bar width variation from 0 mm to 25 mm
  - The bar width has a linear influence on the total mass of the pressing tool.
  - Because of the increasing bar width, the total deformation decreases slightly nonlinear.
  - Due to a decreasing deformation, the max. principal stresses in the adapter decrease nonlinearly.
- Easier evaluation of multiple parameters by systematic multiobjective optimization to reduce
  - Mass
  - Total deformation
  - Max. principal stress of the adapter



## Setup Strategies

a

„send to cluster“

6	Job Submission	Specify Maximum Number of Jobs
7	Maximum Number of Jobs	4

all cores of all compute nodes available  
job scheduler to distribute DP's

b

„arrange ressources“

„minimize communication loss“

One Job for Each Design Point
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restrict number of cores of all compute nodes  
no DP's across compute nodes

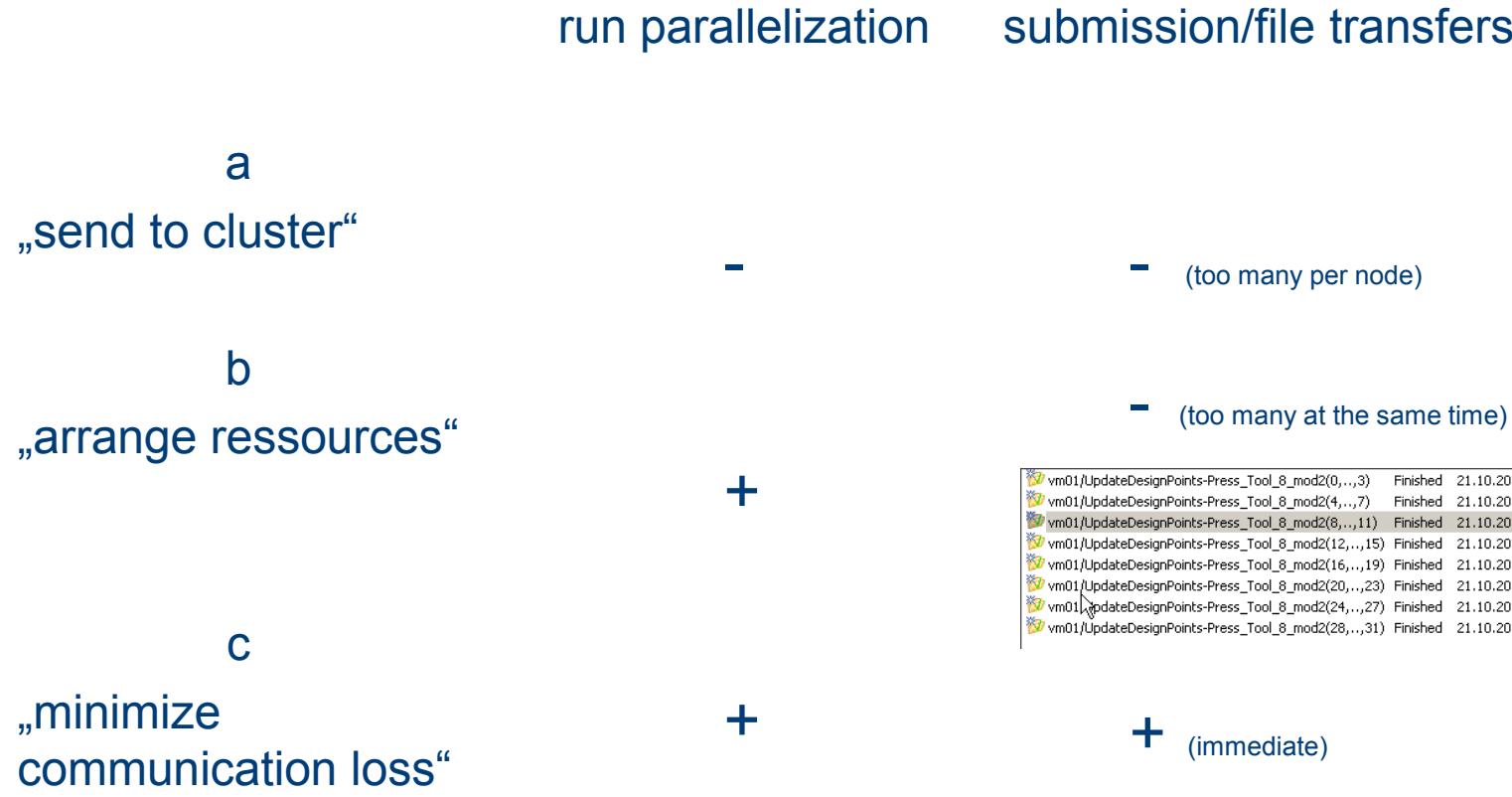
Server Can Accept Jobs

Maximum Number of Jobs

Workbench-Setting (User)

RSM-Setting (Admin)

# Setup Strategies



- (too many per node)

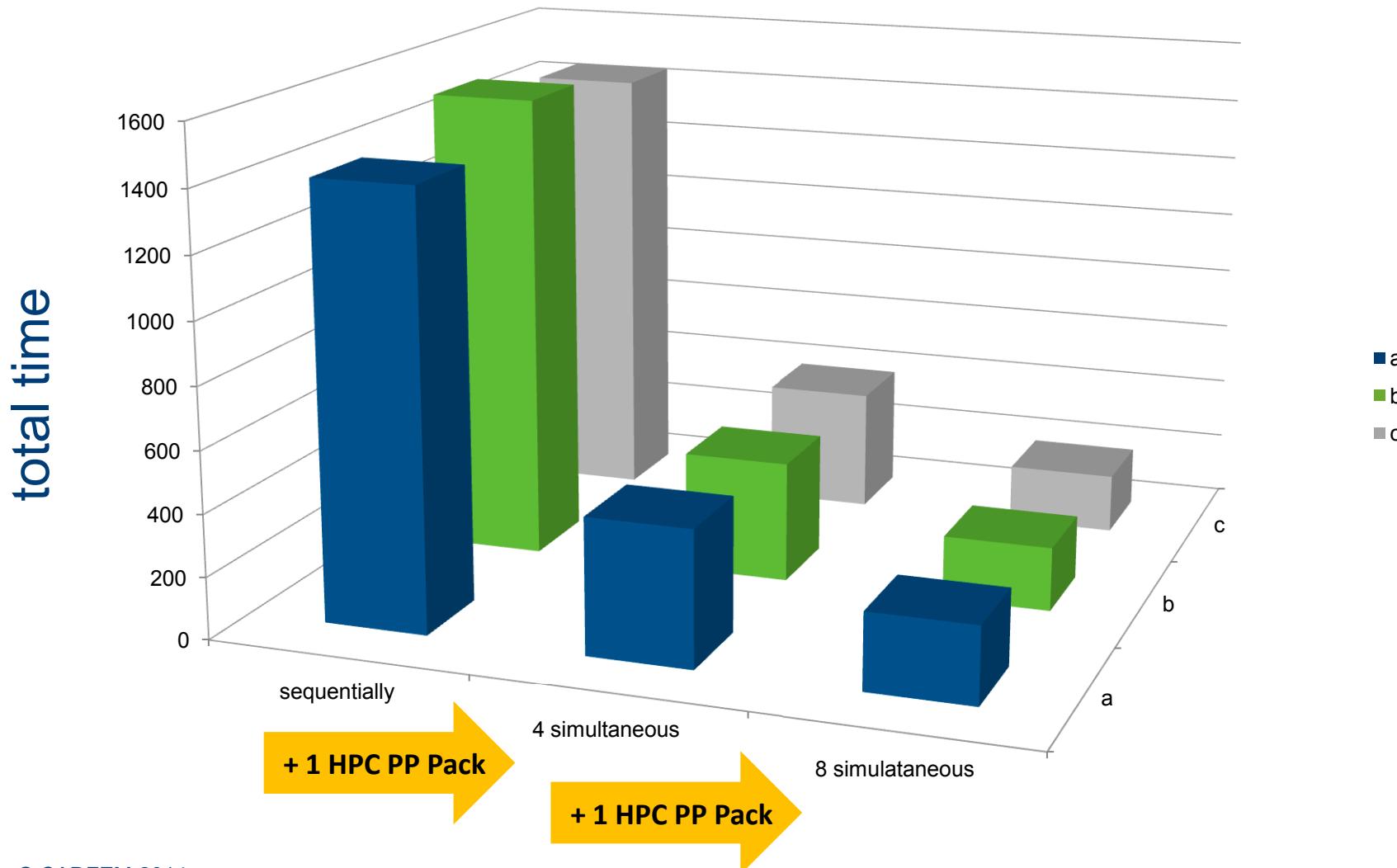
- (too many at the same time)

+ (immediate)

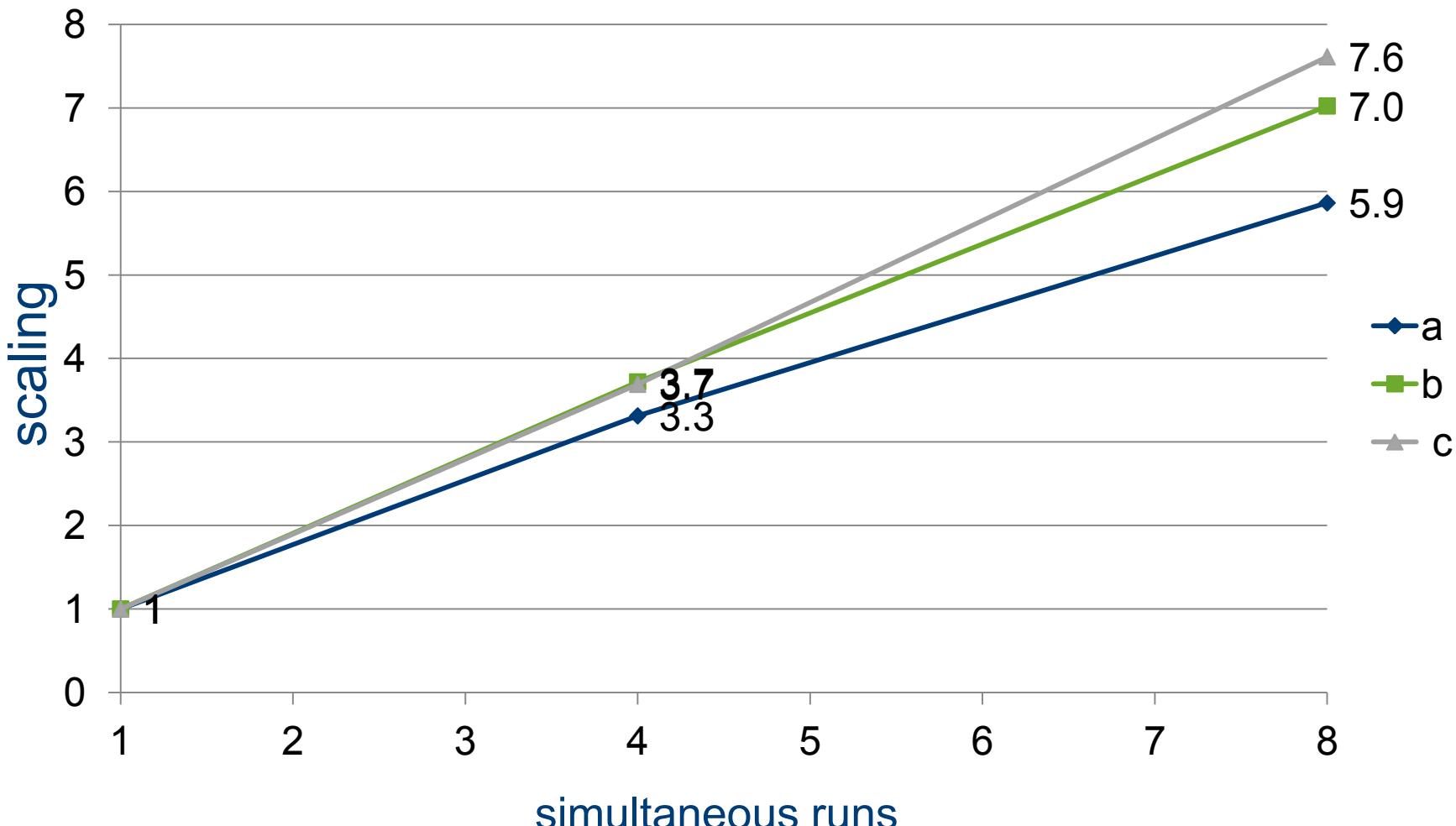
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-Press_Tool_8_mod2(0,...,3)	Finished	21.10.2014 15:17:14
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vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-Press_Tool_8_mod2(8,...,11)	Finished	21.10.2014 15:20:16
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-Press_Tool_8_mod2(12,...,15)	Finished	21.10.2014 15:21:53
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-Press_Tool_8_mod2(16,...,19)	Finished	21.10.2014 15:23:28
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-Press_Tool_8_mod2(20,...,23)	Finished	21.10.2014 15:24:59
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-Press_Tool_8_mod2(24,...,27)	Finished	21.10.2014 15:26:31
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-Press_Tool_8_mod2(28,...,31)	Finished	21.10.2014 15:28:03

vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-exp8mal8calc(0)	Running (Running)	01.11.2014 10:46:29
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-exp8mal8calc(1)	Running (Running)	01.11.2014 10:46:51
vm01/UpdateDesignPoints-exp8mal8calc(2)	Running (Running)	01.11.2014 10:47:14
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# Performance



## Speed Up



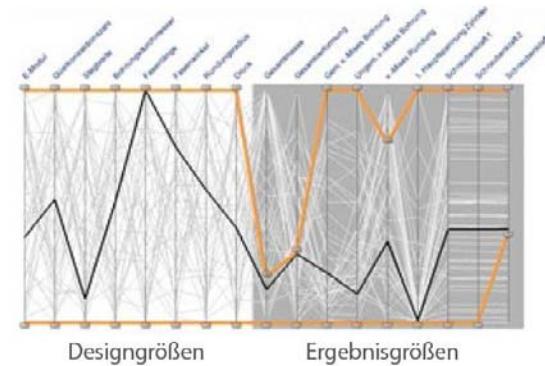
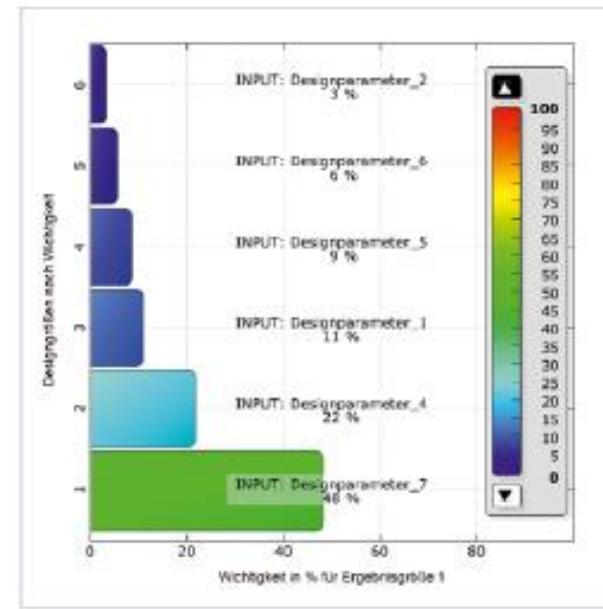
# Sensitivity Study

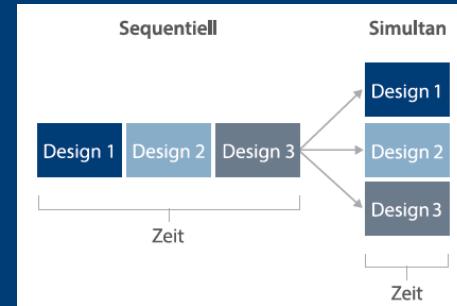
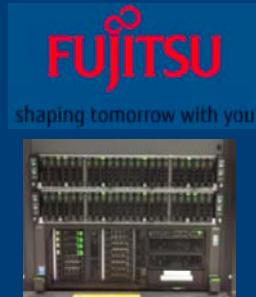
- Going for RDO

The screenshot shows the CADFEM software interface with the following components:

- A top menu bar with tabs labeled "B", "Sensitivity", "DOE", "MOP", and "Results".
- An open dialog box titled "Properties of Schematic B2: DOE" containing a table with rows numbered 1 through 13. The table has columns "A" and "B".

	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	General	
3	Component ID	DOE (optiSLang)
4	Directory Name	Sensitivity
5	Save Design Points As Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Clear Design Table during Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Notes	
8	Notes	
9	Update Options	
10	Specify Maximum Runtime per Job	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Use RSM Mode	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Preferred Number of Simultaneous Runs	64
13	Run Python Script for Update	<input type="checkbox"/>



## CADFEM/Fujitsu RDO Cluster Strategy

„simultaneous – not sequentially“

„ready to use hardware+software“

Try it!



You are welcome to contact  
CADFEM or Fujitsu for a trial of  
**High Performance RDO**

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## Fujitsu Application Solutions



Simplify HPC to lower cost and risk, and increase access

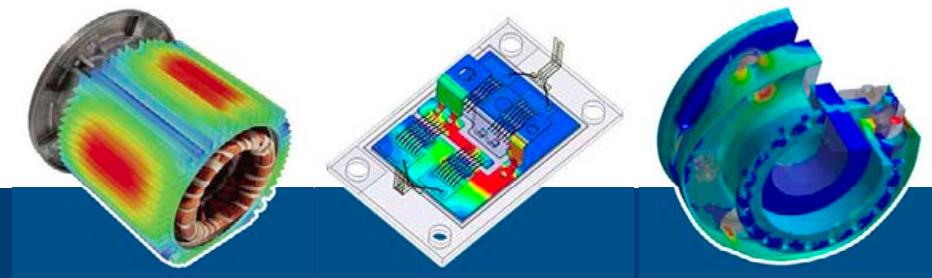
Build in  
Expertise to  
realise more  
value from HPC

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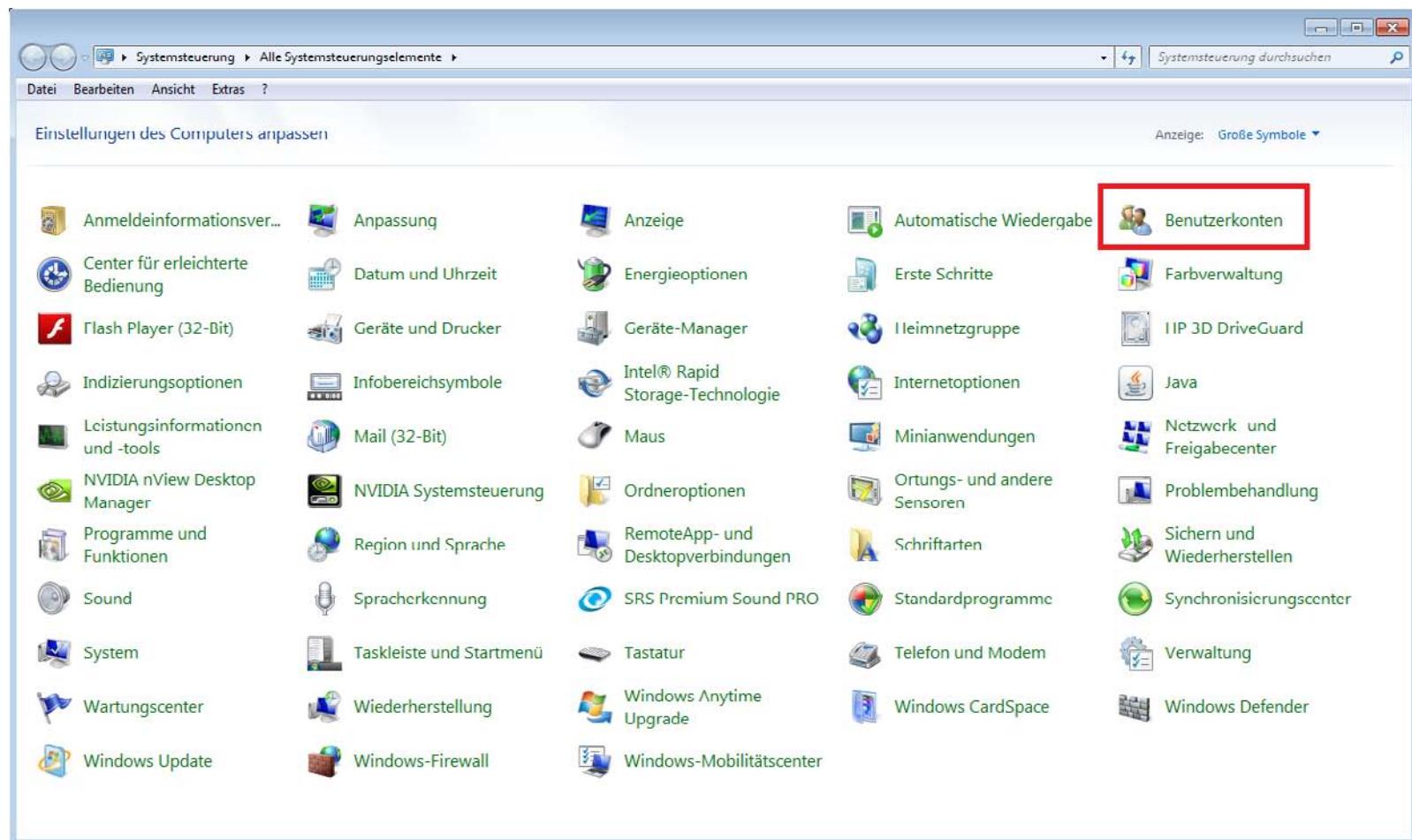


## Minimizing Data Transfer

## Minimizing Data Transfer to/from the RSM

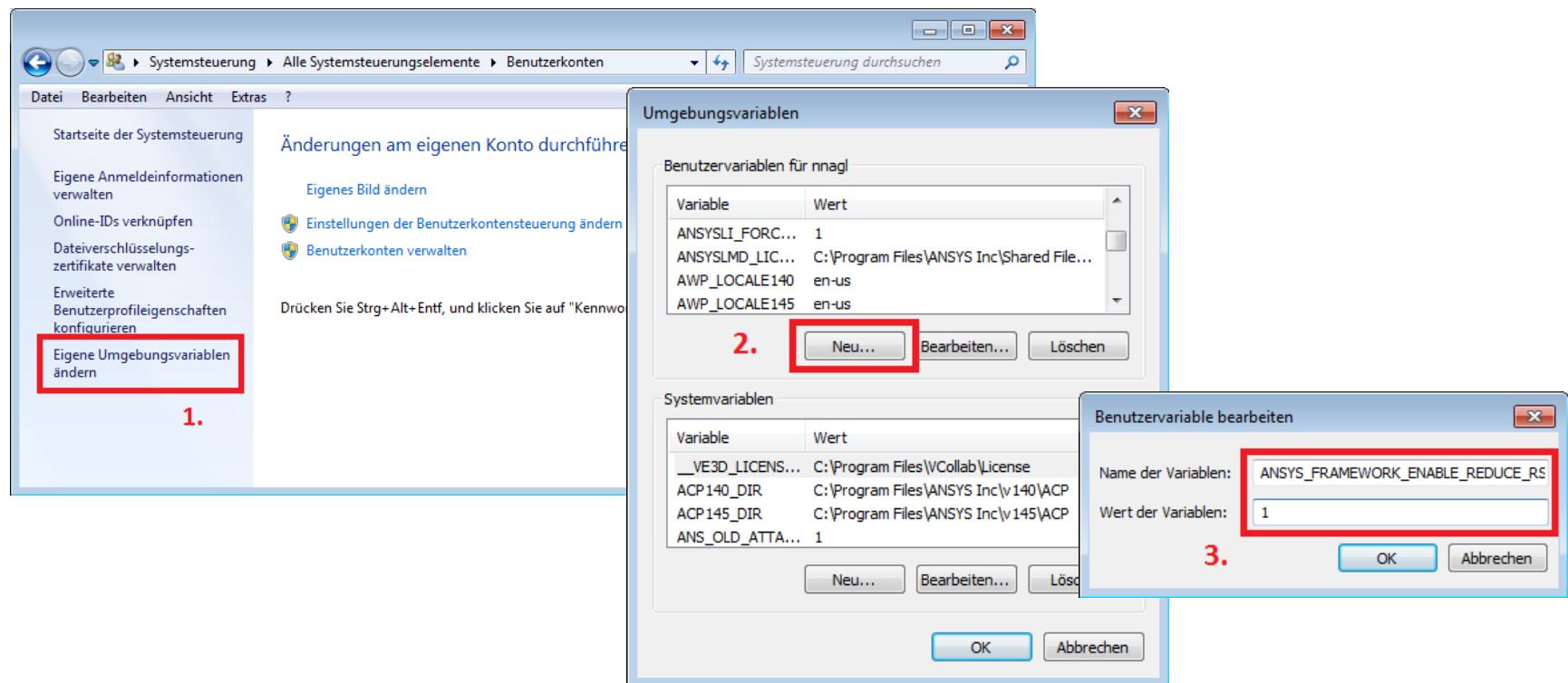
- When calculating simultaneous design points, all design points are created as archived projects at the local machine as an archive of the current project before submitting to the RSM. As the archives are submitted to the RSM, the file size ought to be as small as possible. Yet, the archived design points contain all data (e. g. rst-file) from the current design point. Therefore, the data files size transferred to/from the RSM needs to be minimized.
- There are two steps for best performance:
  1. Set a user variable
    - After setting the user variable, only the scalar values for the Parameter Manager are transferred back after calculation
  2. Manual Clearing of the Current Design Point in the Mechanical Editor
    - Before updating all designs, clear the current design point in the Mechanical Editor and save the project. The archived design point projects will not contain large file data (rst-file, ...). The transfer to/from the RSM is accelerated most with this option.

# Set User Variable



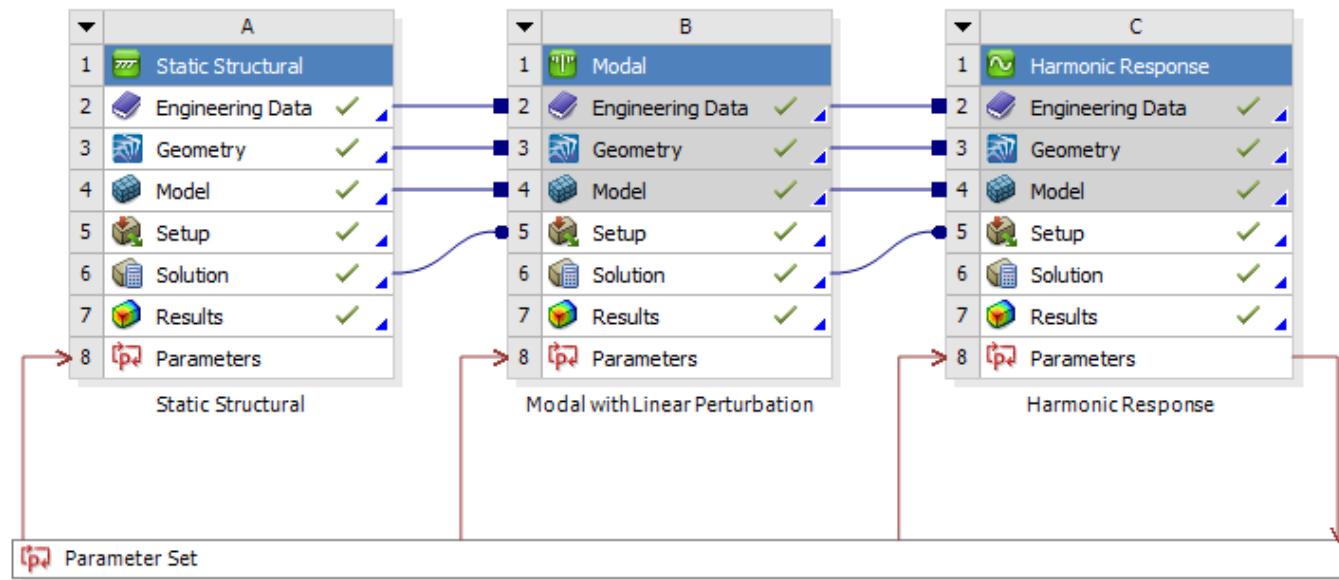
## Set User Variable

- Name of Variable:  
**ANSYS\_FRAMEWORK\_ENABLE\_REDUCE\_RSM\_FILE\_TRANSFER**
- Value of Variable: 1



# Manual Clearing of Current Design Point

- Example: Harmonic Response Analysis

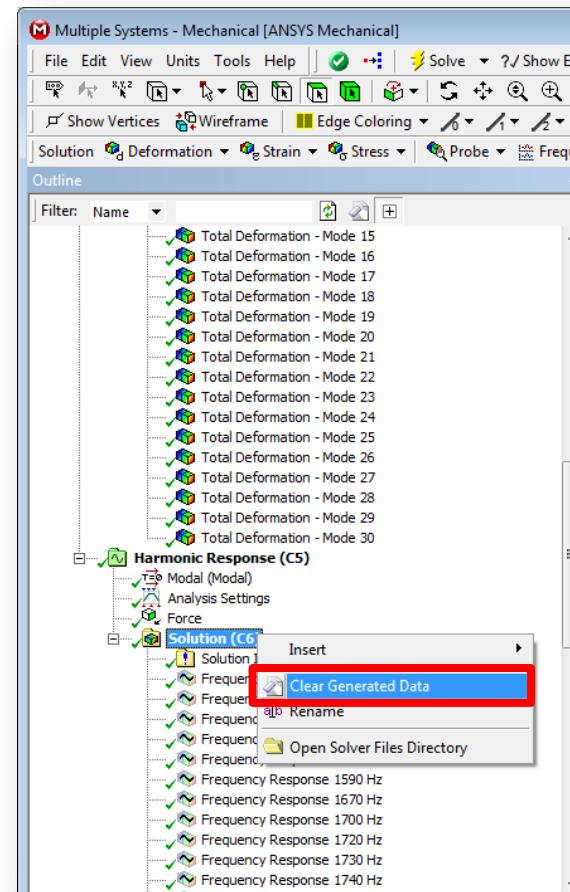


- File Size of each archived design point before clearing: ~ 2 GB

Name	Änderungsdatum	Typ	Größe
Reverse_Engineering_Harmonic_Analysis.wbpz	12.11.2013 11:33	ANSYS v145 .wbpz...	2,243,143 KB

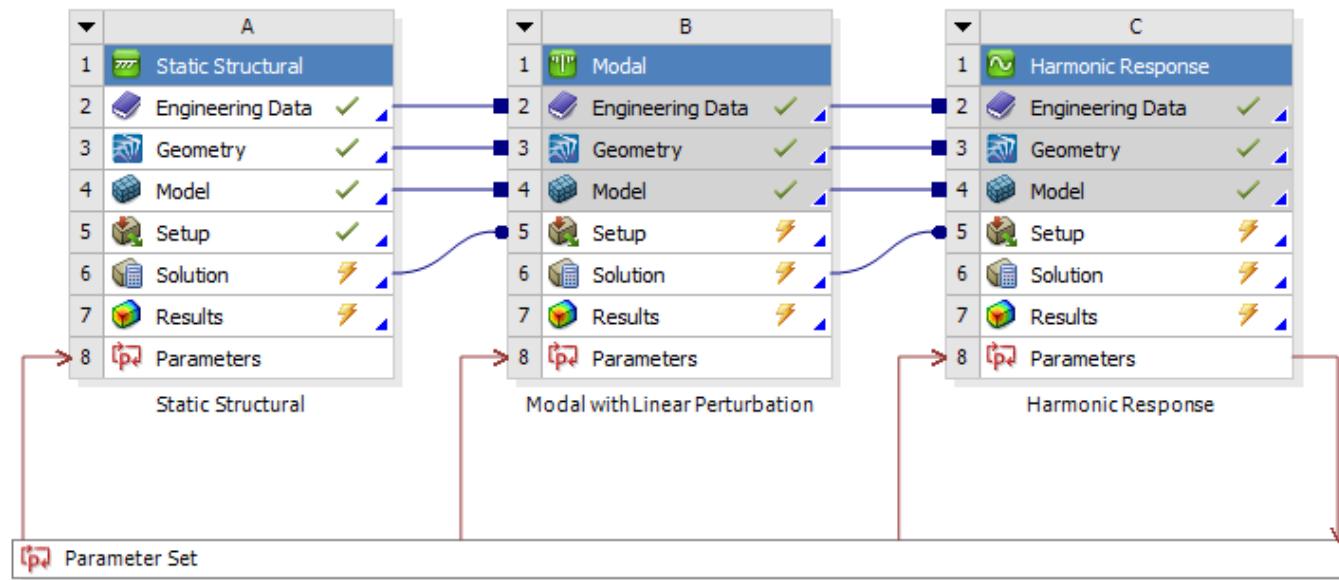
## Manual Clearing of Current Design Point

- Example: Harmonic Response Analysis
1. Open Mechanical Editor
  2. Click RightMouseButton the Solution cell
  3. Proceed „Clear Generated Data“
  4. Repeat step 1 - 3 for all solution cells
  5. Save Project



# Manual Clearing of Current Design Point

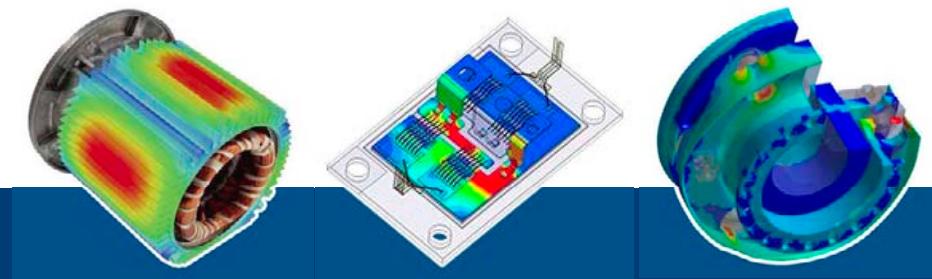
- Example: Harmonic Response Analysis



- File Size of each archived design point after clearing: ~ 4.5 MB

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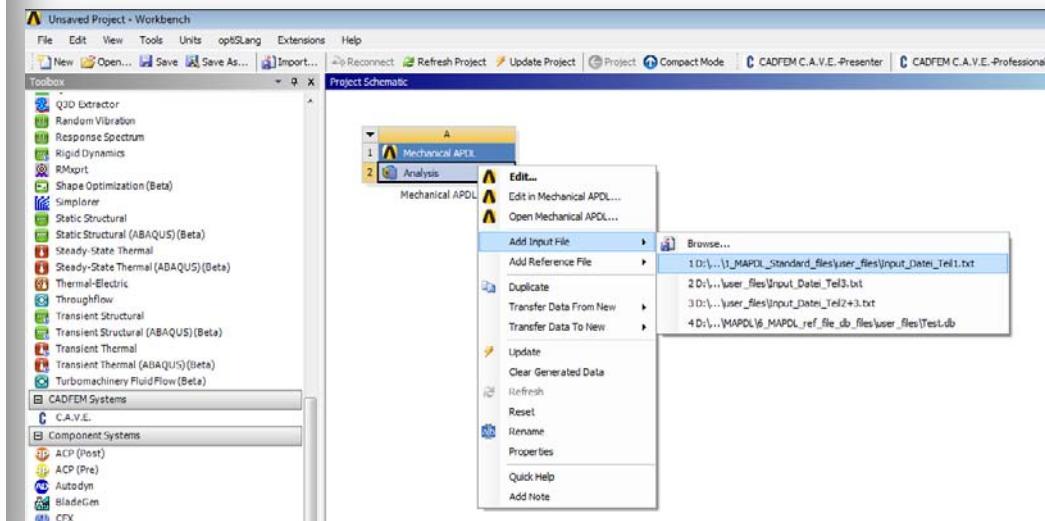
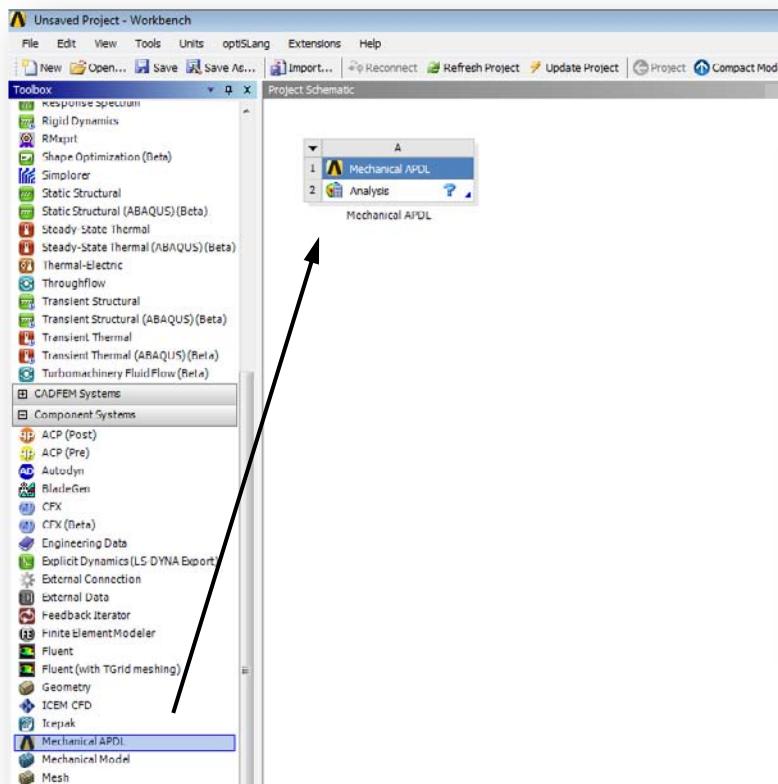
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## Mechanical APDL and Simultaneous Calculation

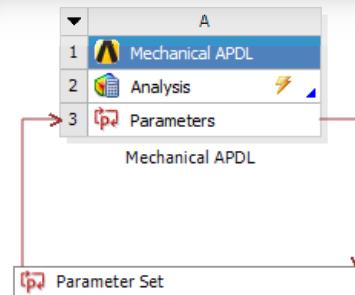
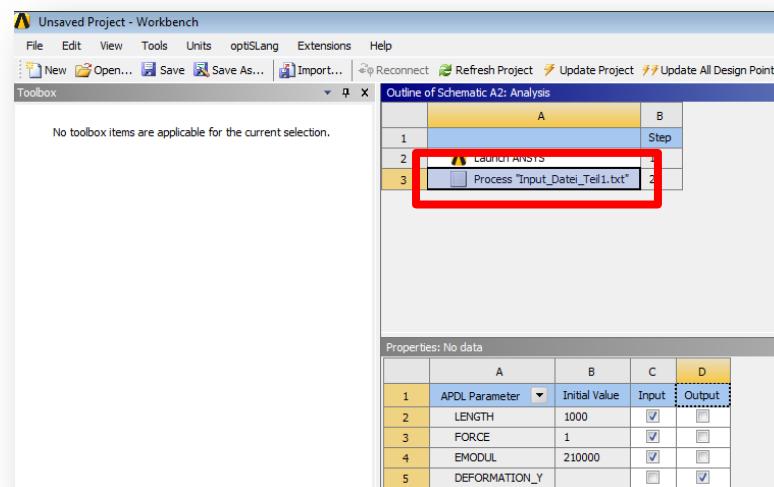
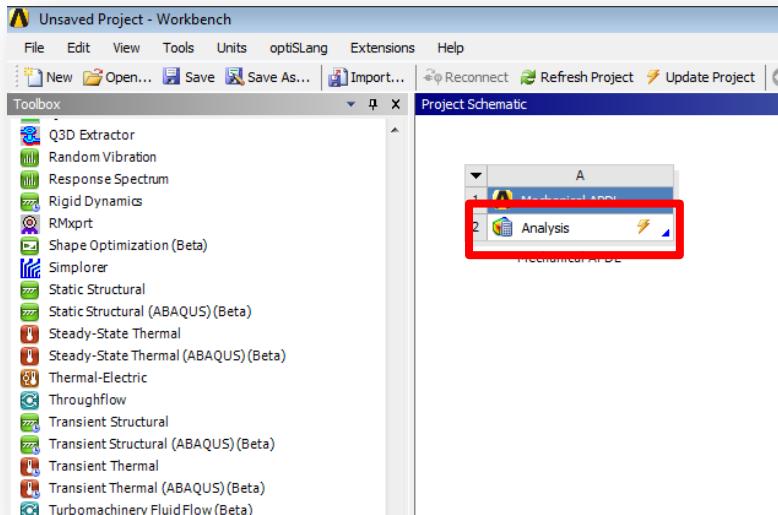
## Analysis Selection + Adding Input File

1. Drag and drop “Mechanical APDL“ analysis in the Project Manager
2. Add Input file to the Mechanical APDL analysis (RightMouseButton RMB)



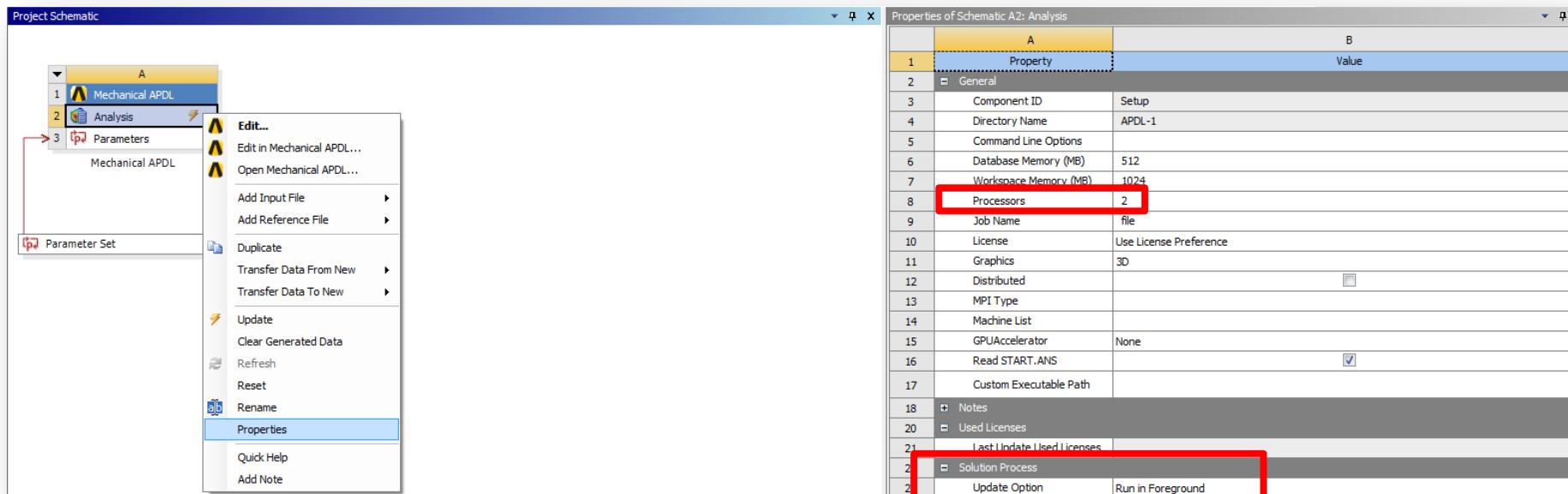
## Input and Output Parameter Selection

3. Double click “Analysis“ to enter the file overview
4. Click the added file to display the properties and select Input and Output parameters  
→ Parameter Set is available



## Update Option for Analysis

5. Click “Analysis” once or RMB “Properties“ for analysis properties
6. Check, if the update option “Run in Foreground“ is selected  
→ necessary for simultaneous processing



## Simultaneous Design Point Processing Options

7. Click “Parameter Set” once to select the simultaneous design point setup  
**Notice: These settings overwrite the general settings (previous slide), e. g. “number of processors” or “distributed option”.**

Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set		
	A      B	
1	Property	
2	Design Point Update Process	
3	Update Option	Submit to Remote Solve Manager
4	Job Submission	Specify Maximum Number of Jobs
5	Maximum Number of Jobs	4
6	Design Point Update Order	Update from Current
7	Pre-RSM Foreground Update	None
8	License Checkout	Reserved
9	Reserved License Set	Select Licenses
10	Component Execution Mode	Parallel
11	Max Number of Processes Per Job	4
12	Keep Failed Design Point Files (Beta)	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	Solve Manager	muc-hpc-hn
14	Queue	ansys145

8. Configure the simultaneous design point process as seen in the section “General Usage” of this document

## Parameter Manager

### 9. Double click the “Parameter Set”

→ All selected parameters (Input and Output) are available in the Parameter Manager

### 10. Add design points to the “Table of Design Points”

### 11. Save Project

### 12. Click “Update All Design Points”

The screenshot shows the MAPDL Workbench interface. At the top, there's a menu bar with File, Edit, View, Tools, Units, optiSlang, Extensions, Help. Below the menu is a toolbar with icons for New, Open, Save, Import, Refresh Project, Update Project, and Update All Design Points. The main area has a 'Outline: No data' section and a 'Table of Design Points' table.

	A	B	C	D
1	ID	Parameter Name	Value	Unit
2	Input Parameters			
3	Mechanical APDL (A1)			
4	P1	LENGTH	1000	
5	P2	FORCE	1	
6	P3	EMODUL	210000	
*	New input parameter	New name	New expression	
8	Output Parameters			
9	Mechanical APDL (A1)			
10	P4	DEFORMATION_Y	3.7541012	
*	New output parameter	New expression		
12	Charts			

The 'Table of Design Points' table has columns A, B, C, and D. It contains six rows of data:

	A	B	C	D
1	Name	P1 - LENGTH	P2 - FORCE	P3 - EMODUL
2	Current	1000	1	210000
3	DP 1	1200	1	210000
4	DP 2	1000	2	210000
5	DP 3	1000	1	200000
6	DP 4	1200	2	190000
*				14.338661

The screenshot shows the ANSYS Remote Solve Manager 14.5 interface. The left pane displays a tree view of 'All Jobs' under 'My Computer' and 'muc-hpc-hn'. The right pane shows a table of jobs with columns Job, Status, Submitted, Owner, Priority, Server, and Queue. There are four jobs listed, all running on localhost. The log window at the bottom shows the command-line output of the project execution.

Job	Status	Submitted	Owner	Priority	Server	Queue
MUC-SE-NNA/UpdateDesignPoints-MAPDL(0,1)	Running	02.10.2013 14:45:02	CADFEM\ynagl	Normal	localhost	Local
MUC-SE-NNA/UpdateDesignPoints-MAPDL(2)	Running	02.10.2013 14:45:05	CADFEM\ynagl	Normal	localhost	Local
MUC-SE-NNA/UpdateDesignPoints-MAPDL(3)	Running	02.10.2013 14:45:08	CADFEM\ynagl	Normal	localhost	Local
MUC-SE-NNA/UpdateDesignPoints-MAPDL(4)	Running	02.10.2013 14:45:12	CADFEM\ynagl	Normal	localhost	Local

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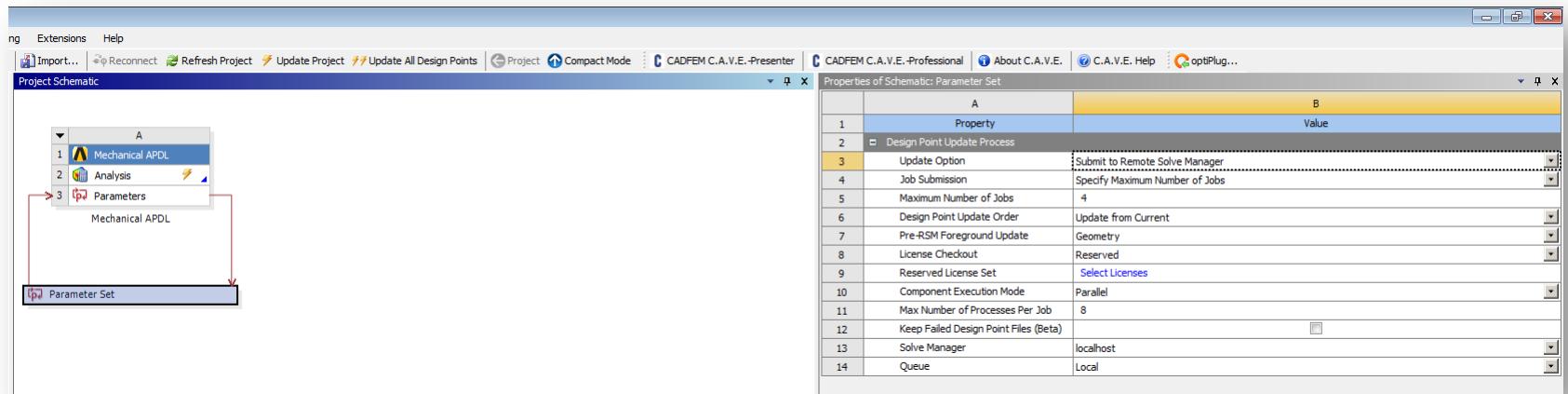
at Ansys.DesignLite.Addin.Load(AddinLoadContext context)
at Ansys.Core.Addins.AddinManager.setupAddin(String path, String name, AddinBase addin)
at Ansys.Core.Addins.AddinManager.Load(String path, String name)
at Ansys.Core.Addins.AddinManager.LoadAddin(String name, String fullpath)
02.10.2013 14:45:20:[INFO] Switching to design point 0 ...
02.10.2013 14:45:21:[INFO] [ProjectReplaced:Project] A new project has been created.
[INFO] Starting design point update job from RSM ...
[INFO] Unarchiving project MAPDL ...
02.10.2013 14:45:27:[INFO] [ProjectReplaced:Project] The project has been opened from C:\Users\ynagl\Desktop\Neuer Ordner\MAP...
[INFO] Performing design points update ...
02.10.2013 14:45:28:[INFO] Updating components in design point 0 ...

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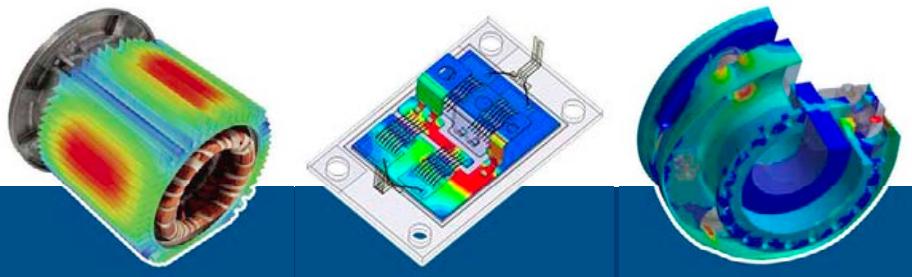
# ANSYS MAPDL HPC Parametric Pack Settings

Example Setting for:

- Simultaneous calculation of 4 design points
- Parallel calculation with 8 cores for each design point
- Background solving

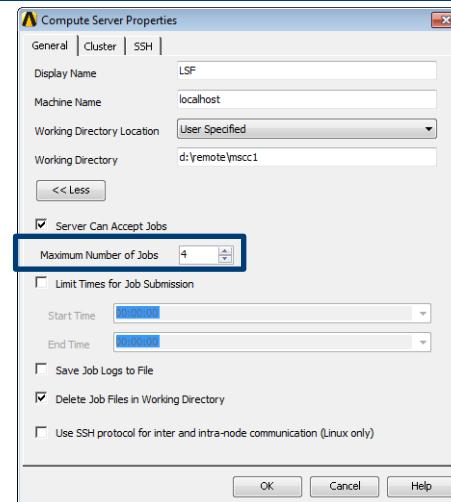
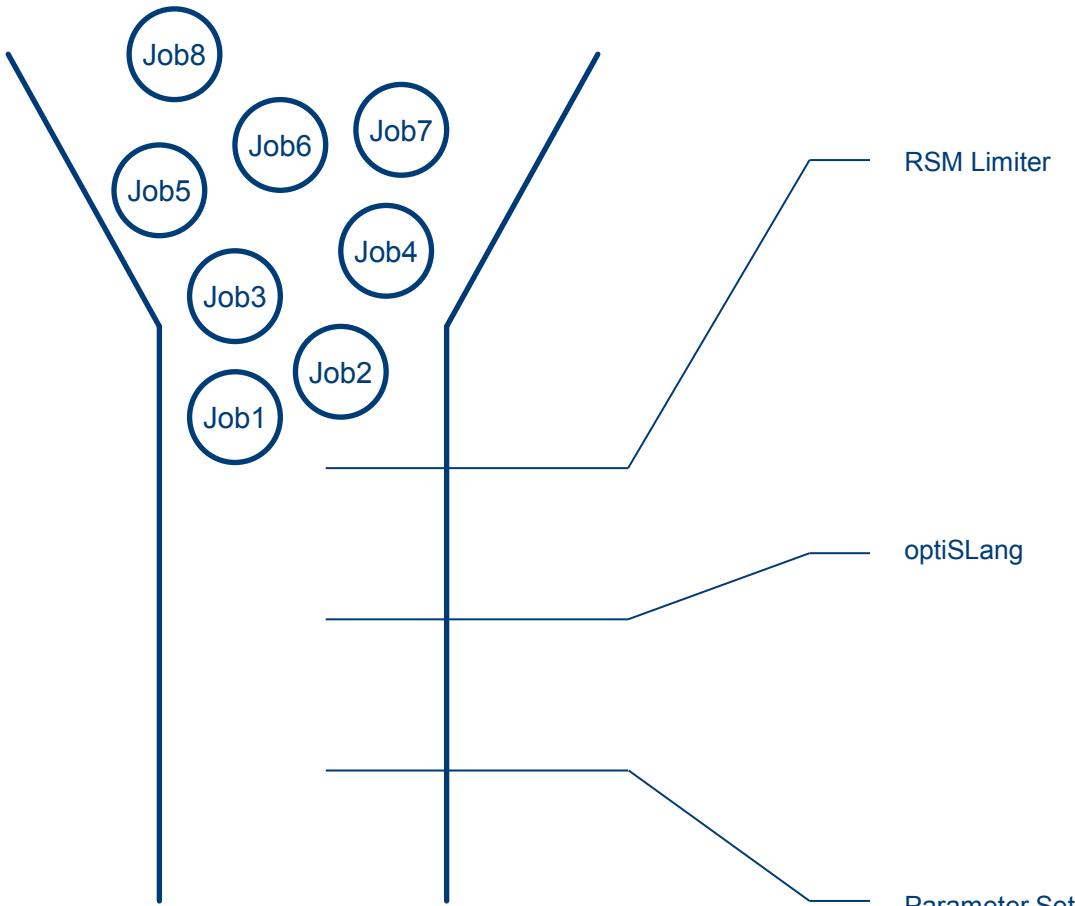


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optiSLang Settings for optimal  
Design Point Calculation

## Job Limitation – 3 Ways to Adjust



Properties of Schematic B2: DOE		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	General	
3	Component ID	DOE (optiSLang)
4	Directory Name	Sensitivity
5	Save Design Points As Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Clear Design Table during Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Notes	
8	Notes	
9	Update Options	
10	Specify Maximum Runtime per Job	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Use RSM Mode	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Preferred Number of Simultaneous Runs	<b>4</b>
13	Run Python Script for Update	<input type="checkbox"/>

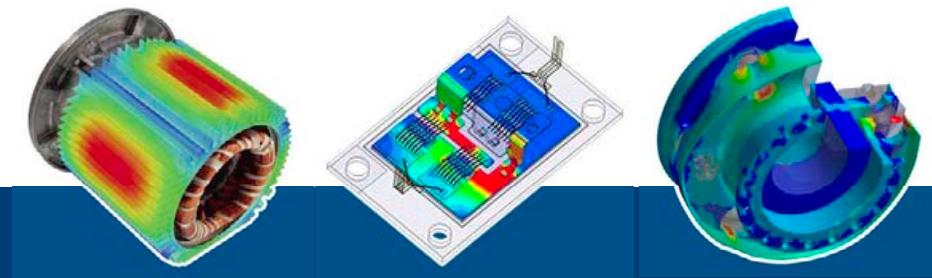
Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	Design Point Update Process	
3	Update Option	Submit to Remote Solve Manager
4	Solve Manager	muc-hpc-hn
5	Queue	ansys145
6	Job Submission	Specify Maximum Number of Jobs
7	Maximum Number of Jobs	<b>4</b>

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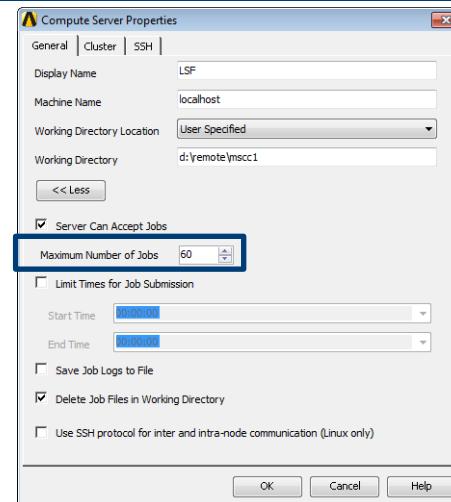
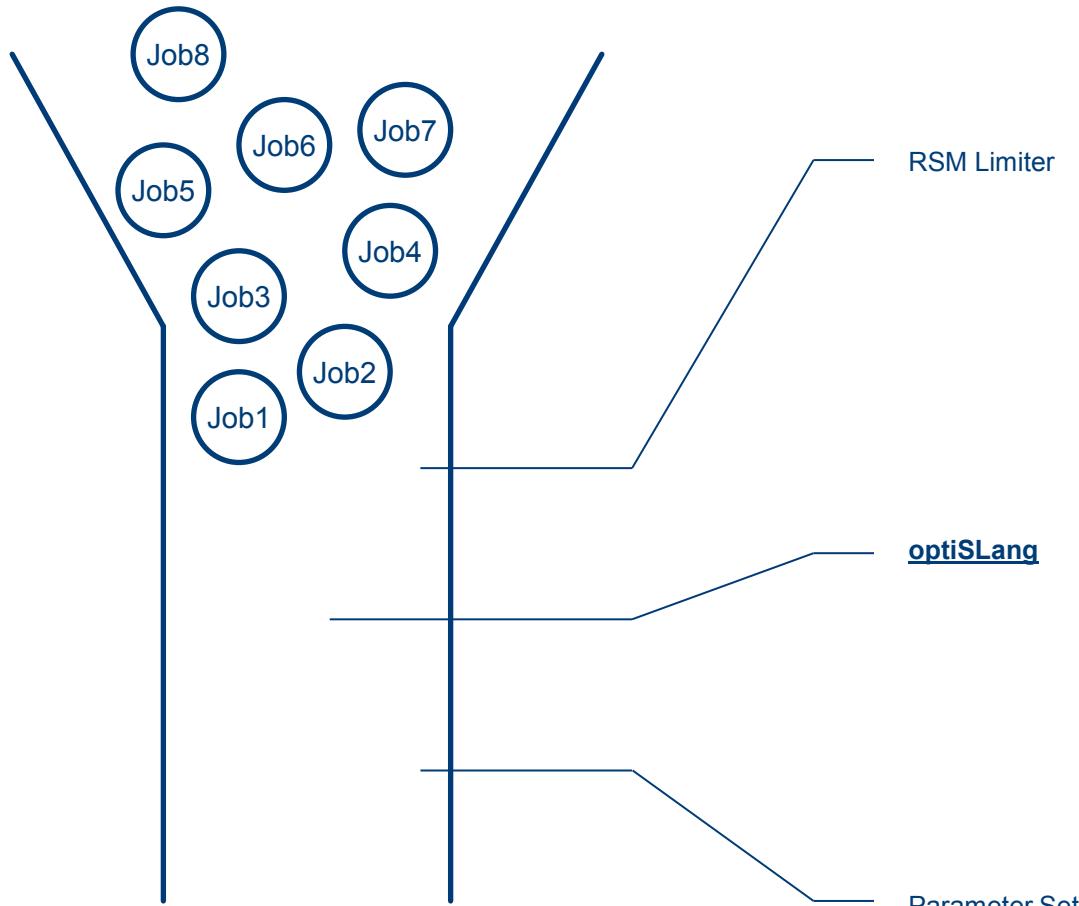
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## optiSLang and Setup 2

## Job Limitation – Adjustment for Setup 2

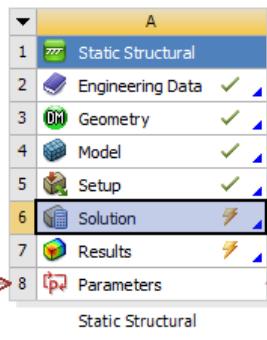


Properties of Schematic B2: DOE		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	Component ID	DOE (optiSLang)
3	Directory Name	Sensitivity
4	Save Design Points As Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Clear Design Table during Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Notes	
7	Notes	
8	Update Options	
9	Specify Maximum Runtime per Job	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Use RSM Mode	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	Preferred Number of Simultaneous Runs	4
12	Run Python Script for Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
13		

Properties of Schematic: Parameter Set		
	A	B
1	Property	Value
2	Design Point Update Process	
3	Update Option	Run in Foreground
4	Design Point Update Order	Update from Current
5	License Checkout	Reserved
6	Reserved License Set	Select Licenses
7	Keep Failed Design Point Files (Beta)	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Exported Design Point	Update parameters

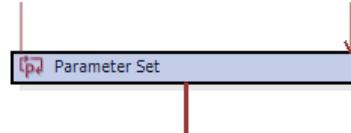
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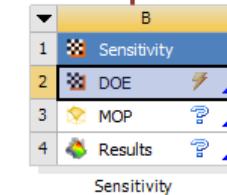
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Analysis	Static Structural
Solver	Mechanical APDL
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### Parameter Set



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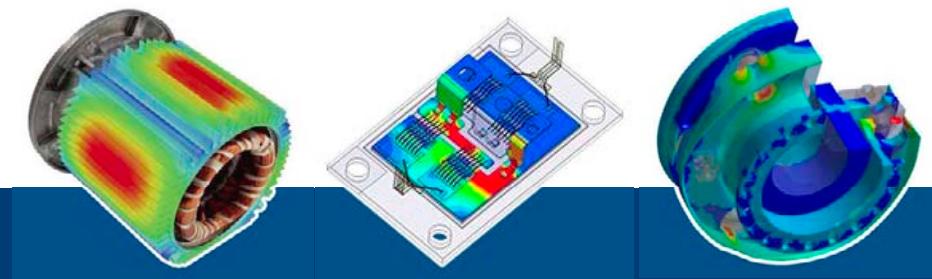
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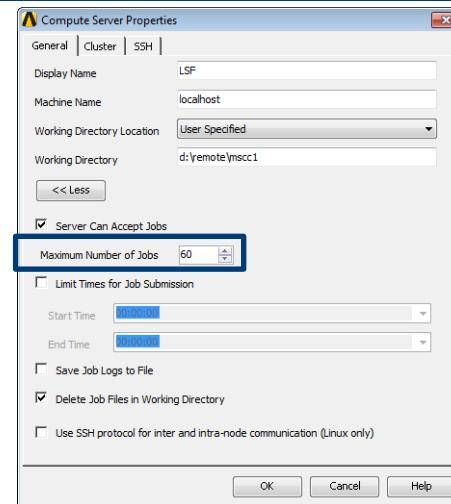
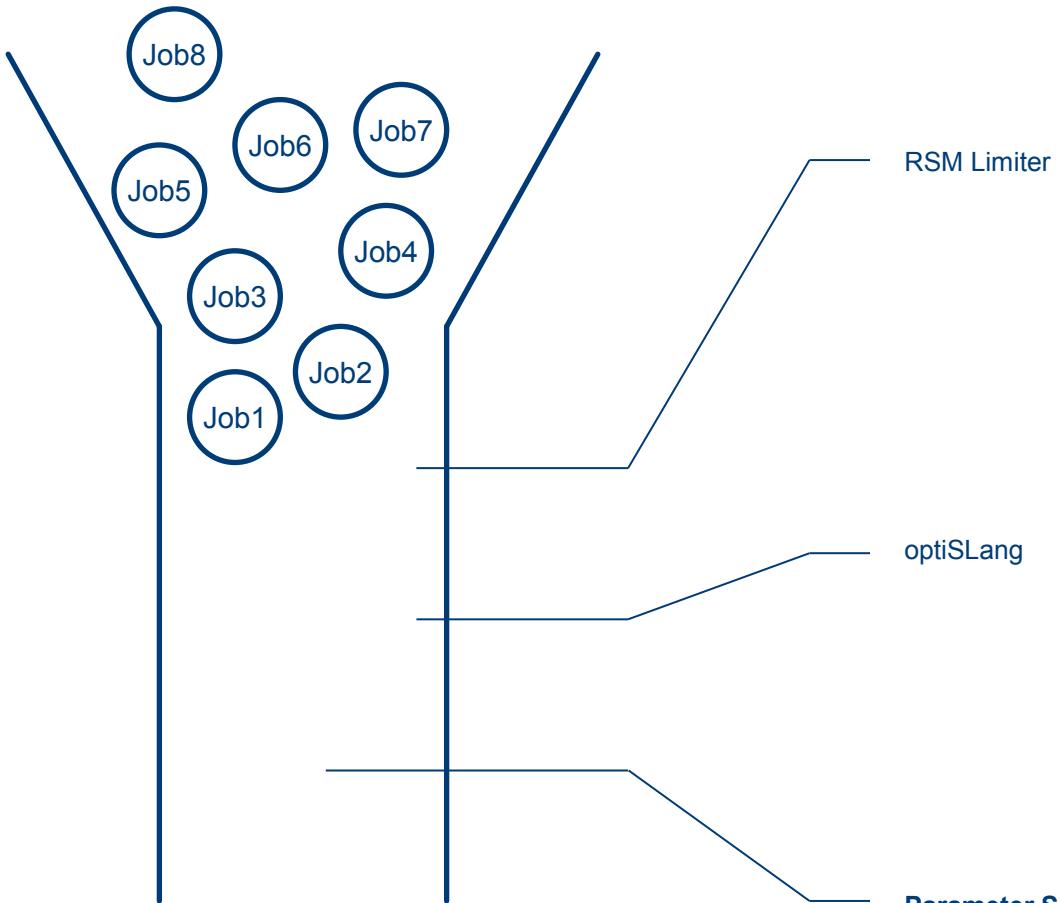
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## optiSLang and Setup 3

## Job Limitation – Adjustment for Setup 3

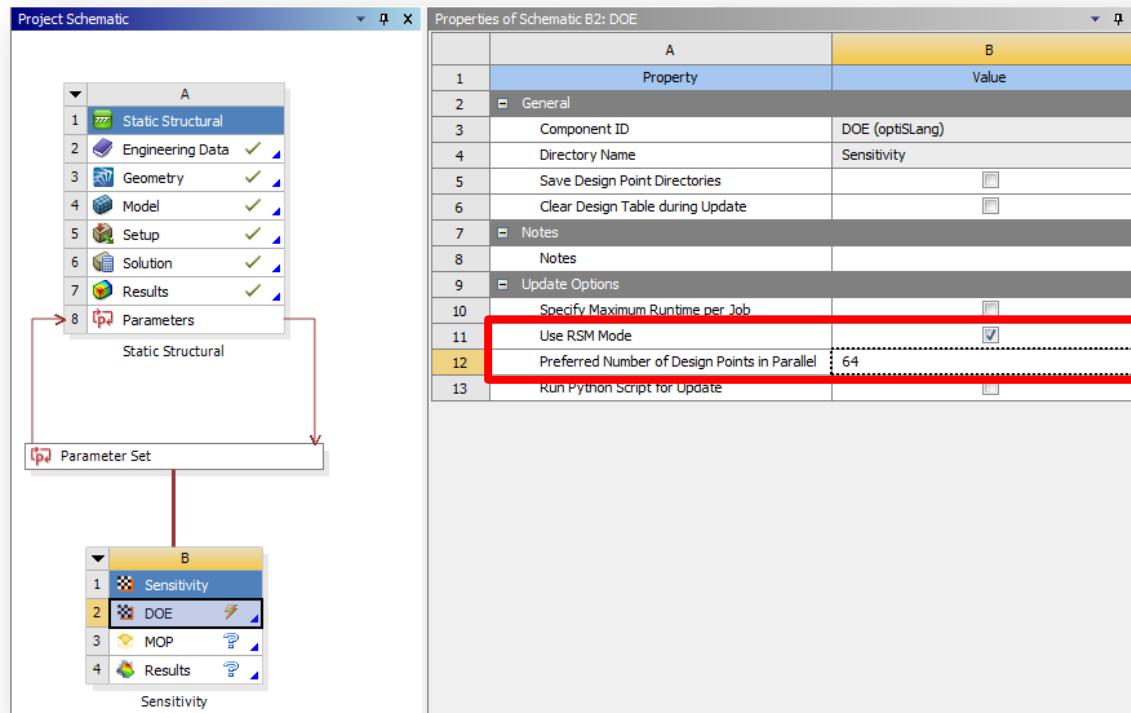


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8	Update Options	
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11	Preferred Number of Simultaneous Runs	64
12	Run Python Script for Update	<input type="checkbox"/>
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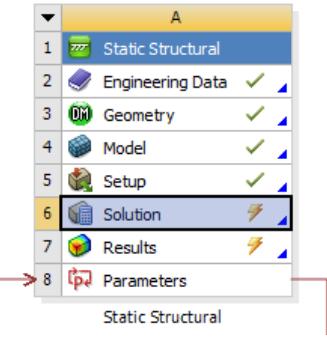
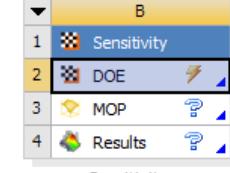
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4	Solve Manager	muc-hpc-hn
5	Queue	ansys145
6	Job Submission	Specify Maximum Number of Jobs
7	Maximum Number of Jobs	4

## RSM Setting in optiSLang for Setup 3

- Activate RSM Mode
- Specify „Number of Design Points in Parallel“: 64 (keep it always as a fixed number, even if there are less design points to calculate!)



## Setup 3: „Specify Maximum Number of Jobs“ – 3<sup>rd</sup> Type and optiSLang

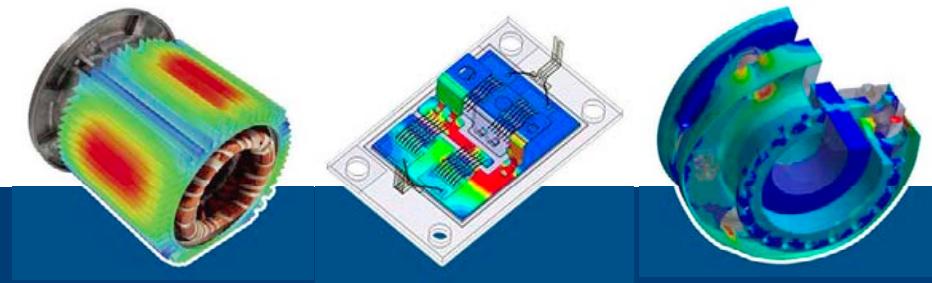
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## Good to Know

## Setup 3 – Path Length

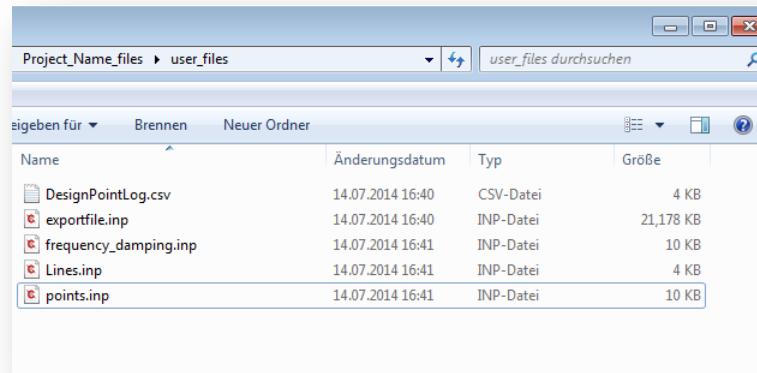
- In Windows the maximum length of a path/name is limited to **256 characters**. In case of exceeding this limit design points cannot be transferred back from the remote computer even if they are calculated correctly.

Keep the path and name as short as possible!

- Path Structure :
  - `Verzeichnispfad\Dateiname_pending_tasks\UpdateDesignPoints-x\Dateiname_updated_dpx.wppz`
- Examples:
  - File name:  
`optiSLang_xxxxxx_Test_mosl_3rdV`
  - Path: `D:\nnagl\optiSLang-Test\optiSLang_xxxxxx_Test_mosl_3rdV_pending_tasks\UpdateDesignPoints-2\optiSLang_xxxxxx_Test_mosl_3rdV_updated_dp5.wppz`  
→ 139 characters
  - File name: `sensi2_xx_adv_30Apr2014_fuer_Sensitivitaetsanalyse_mit_Parameterraum_u3_75_v7mp_Gerechnet`
  - Path: `D:\nnagl\optiSLang-Test\sensi2_xx_adv_30Apr2014_fuer_Sensitivitaetsanalyse_mit_Parameterraum_u3_75_v7mp_Gerechnet_pending_tasks\UpdateDesignPoints-xxx\sensi2_xx_adv_30Apr2014_fuer_Sensitivitaetsanalyse_mit_Parameterraum_u3_75_v7mp_Gerechnet_updated_dpxxx.wppz`  
→ 259 characters

## Setup 3 – Transfer of Additional Data to Remote Computer

- Put all necessary data (e. g. input files, material data, ...) in the user\_files folder. This folder is copied to the remote computer.

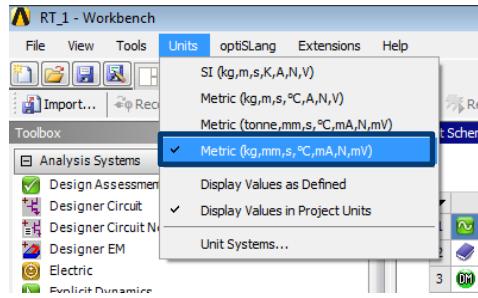


- Use relative paths instead of fixed ones

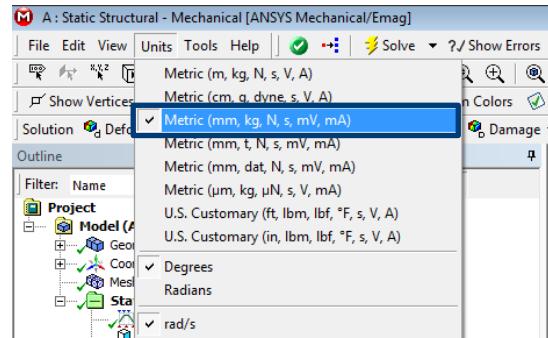
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# Unit Systems in Workbench – 3 Possibilities in Workbench

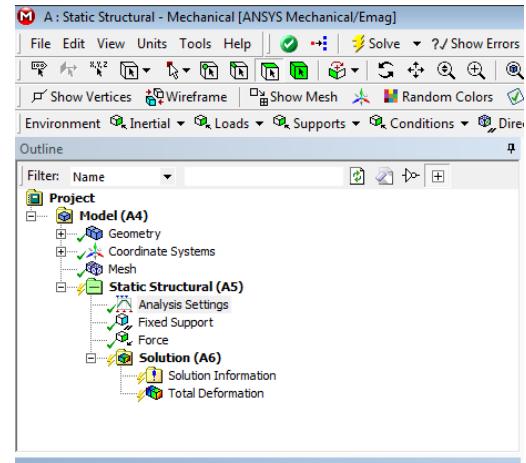
- Project page



- Mechanical Editor



- Analysis Settings



Details of 'Analysis Settings'	
+ Step Controls	
+ Solver Controls	
+ Restart Controls	
+ Nonlinear Controls	
+ Output Controls	
- Analysis Data Management	
Solver Files Directory	D:\nnagl\HPC_Parametric_Test\HPC-PP-Variante2x_file...
Future Analysis	None
Scratch Solver Files Directory	
Save MAPDL db	No
Delete Unneeded Files	Yes
Nonlinear Solution	Yes
Solver Units	Active System
Solver Unit System	mm
Visibility	

Use ONE unit systems for ALL analyses. If you assign the unit system in the analysis setting manually, do it for ALL analyses!

Nonlinear Solution	Yes
Solver Units	Active System
Solver Unit System	Active System
Visibility	Manual

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