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Under the Hood of Implicit LS-DYNA

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Implicit in LS-DYNA v. 970

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- **LS-DYNA v. 970 has an extensive set of Implicit capabilities.**
 - **Implicit Time Simulation**
 - static, dynamic, damping
 - **Switching between Implicit and Explicit**
 - automatic or user specified
 - **Eigenanalysis**
 - vibration or buckling
 - intermittent during an explicit or implicit simulation
 - **Constraint and Attachment Mode Extraction**
 - **Brad Maker gave several examples in his talk.**

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Overview of Presentation

This presentation will give you an overview of

- How we implemented all of these implicit features.
- Integrated implicit with our flagship explicit code.
- Overview of our ongoing development of an MPP implicit capability.

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Implicit uses Explicit

- **Explicit already performed many of the computations required for Implicit.**
 - Force computations
 - From elements
 - From penalty constraints
 - Constraint application
 - Detection of contact
 - Output

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Reverse Communication

- **We implemented Implicit using Reverse Communication**
 - Called from Explicit
 - On return, Implicit sets flags to tell Explicit what to do next
 - Compute forces
 - Compute elemental stiffness matrices
 - Perform Contact analysis
 - Update history variables
 - Perform output
- **Allows reuse of same contact, material, and element subroutines.**

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Inside Implicit

Inside Implicit we can perform

- **Linear Analysis**
- **Nonlinear Analysis**
- **Eigenanalysis**
 - Newton or Quasi-Newton
 - Automatic time step selection
 - Static or Dynamic
 - Damping
 - Arc Length Methods
- **Constraint and Attachment Mode Extraction**

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Constrained Linear Algebra Problems

- All Implicit analyses need to solve

$$Ku = f$$

$$\text{Subject to } Cu = d$$

Or

$$K\Phi = M\Phi\Lambda$$

$$\text{Subject to } C\Phi = 0$$

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Setting up the Linear Algebra Problem

- Using the same data structures as explicit, Implicit computes the constraint matrix C and constraint right-hand-side d .
- Implicit uses explicit to compute elemental stiffness matrices, contact stiffness matrices, and forces.

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LCPACK

- We have implemented a powerful and efficient Linear Constraint Package (LCPACK)
 - Automatically determines dependent (slave) and independent (master) sets of variables from the constraint matrix.
 - Applies the constraints to form reduced linear algebra problems
 - Computes the dependent variables from the independent ones.

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Handling of Constraints in LS-DYNA

- We start with the full constraint matrix and perform an automatic partitioning of the dofs into the form

$$C_{D,D}u_D + C_{D,I}u_I = d$$

where $C_{D,D}$ is a full rank, square matrix that can be stably inverted.

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The Approach in LS-DYNA v. 970

- We factor $C_{D,D}$ using its special structure to yield

$$u_D + C_{D,D}^{-1} C_{D,I} u_I = C_{D,D}^{-1} d$$

or

$$u_D + \hat{C}_{D,I} u_I = \hat{d}$$

- This form allows for direct substitution to compute reduced linear algebra problems.

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Linear Algebra Infrastructure

- We have 3 different linear algebra equation solvers
 - MF (in-house multifrontal solver)
 - BCSLIB-EXT (multifrontal solver with extensive out-of-memory capabilities from Boeing)
 - Package of Iterative Methods
- BCSLIB-EXT, the industry standard block shift and invert Lanczos eigensolver from Boeing

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Serial and SMP

- **Currently Implicit operates in serial and SMP modes.**
- **Next goal is to operate efficiently in MPP.**

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MPP Implementation Plan

- **Explicit already operates in MPP so Implicit automatically gets MPP implementation of**
 - Elemental force and stiffness computations
 - Contact
- **We have a functioning MPP multifrontal solver DMF (MPP implementation of our in-house solver)**
- **We are developing and testing MPP implementation of LCPACK**
- **A parallel eigensolver (based on Lanczos technology from Boeing) is being developed.**

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Conclusion

- **LS-DYNA v. 970 has an extensive set of implicit analysis capabilities.**
- **Implicit can handle most of the modeling features provided by LS-DYNA.**
- **We are developing an MPP implementation of all of these capabilities.**