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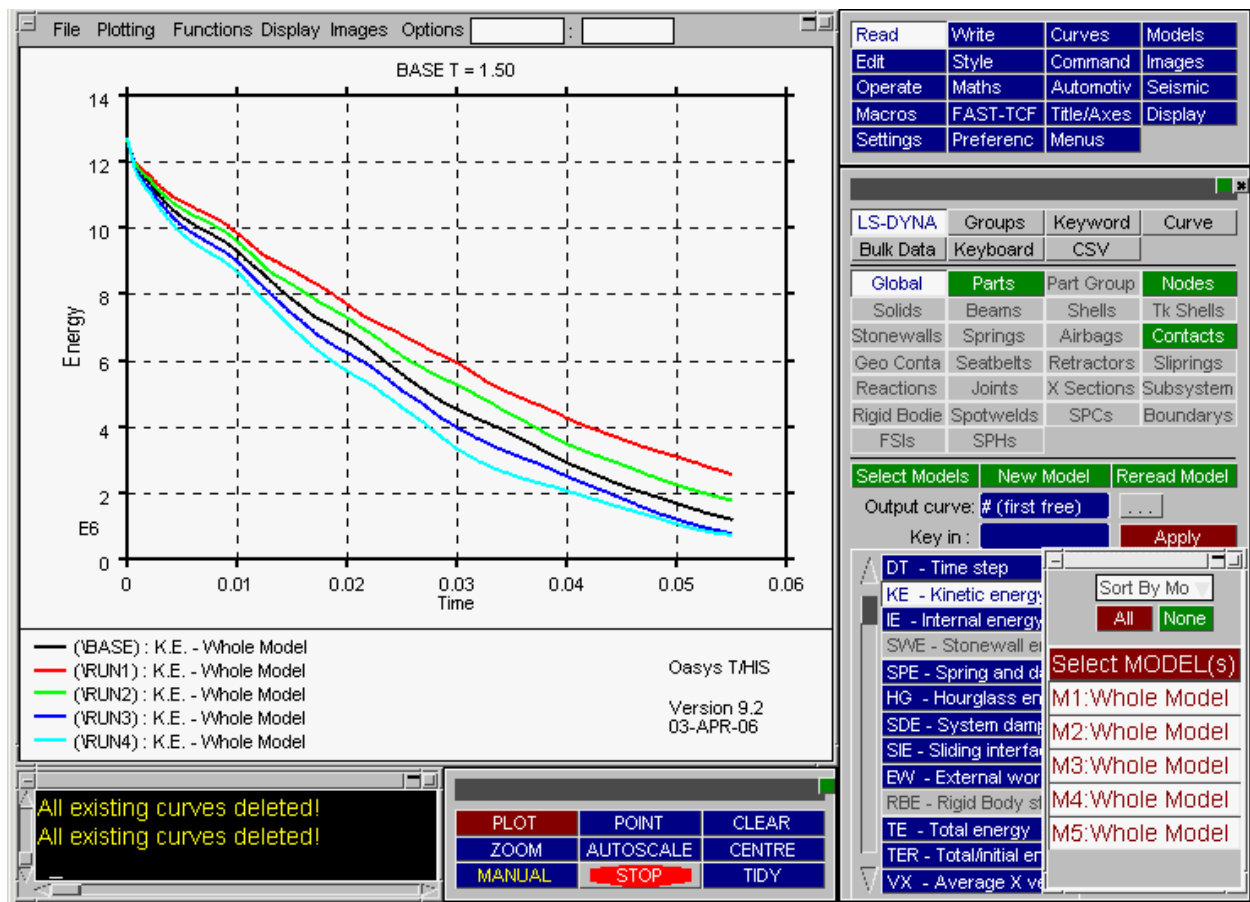
1. Title

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2. Preamble

2.1. Text Conventions Used in this Manual

Text conventions used in this manual

Typefaces

Three different typefaces are used in this manual:

Manual text	This typeface is used for text in this manual.
<code>Computer type</code>	This one is used to show what the computer types. It is also used for equations, keywords (eg *PART) etc.
<code>Operator type</code>	This one is used to show what you must type.
Button text	This one is used for screen menu buttons (eg APPLY)

Notation

Triangular, round and square brackets have been used as follows:

- Triangular

To show generic items, and special keys. For example: <list of integers>
<filename> <data component><return> <control Z> <escape>

- Round

To show optional items during input. For example: <command> (<optional command>) (<optional number>)

And also to show defaults when the computer prompts you, e.g.:

Give new value (10) :

Give model number (12) :

- Square

To show advisory information at computer prompts, e.g.:

Give filename: [.key] :

THIS >>> [H for Help] :

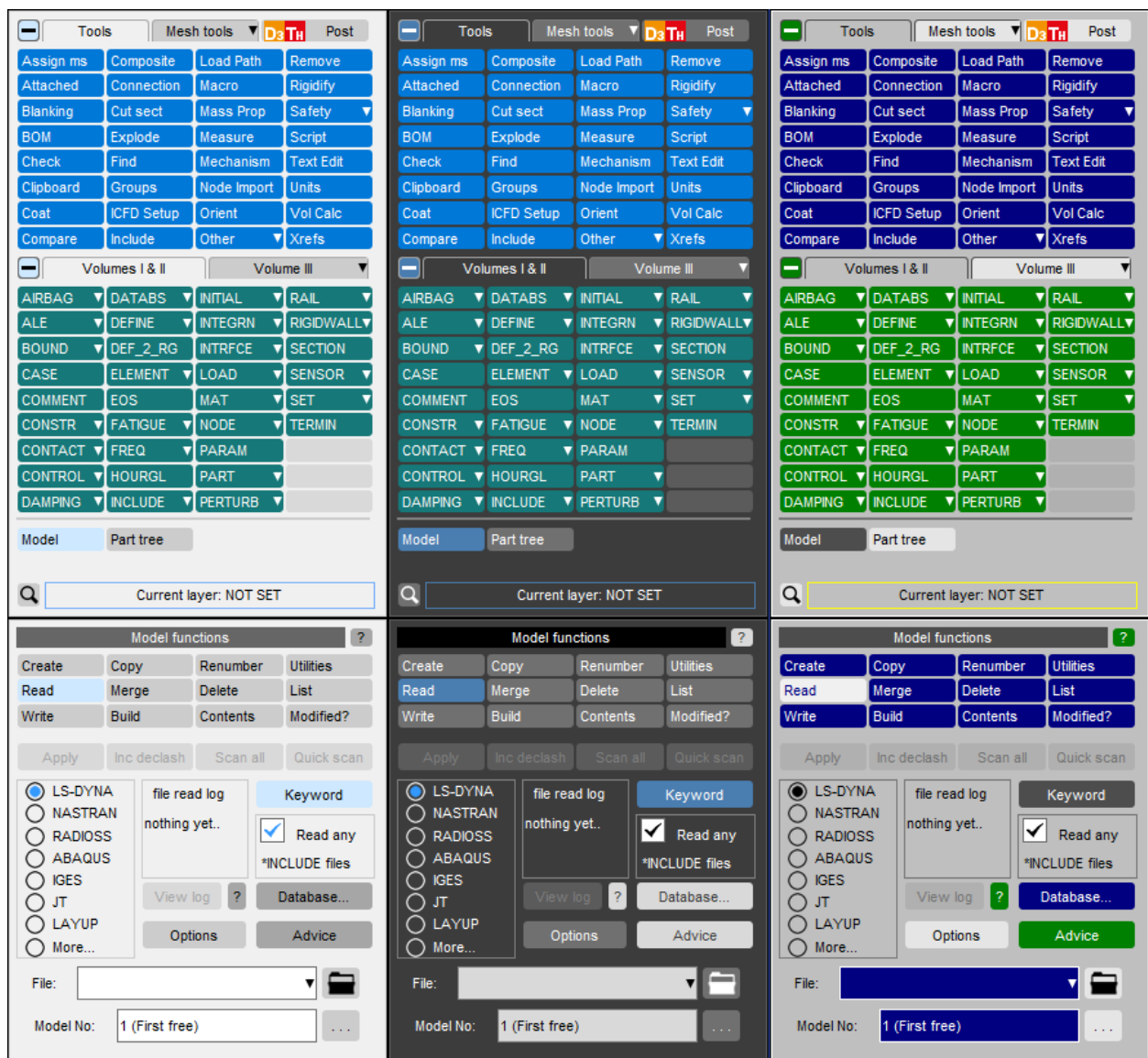


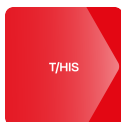
3. Themes for the Graphical User Interface

Themes for the Graphical User Interface

3 themes are available for Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software. Users can select a **Light**, a **Dark** or a **Classic** theme. The latter uses the colours of the old user interface (used prior to version 17 of the software).

The themes offer different colour and contrast options for comfort and accessibility.

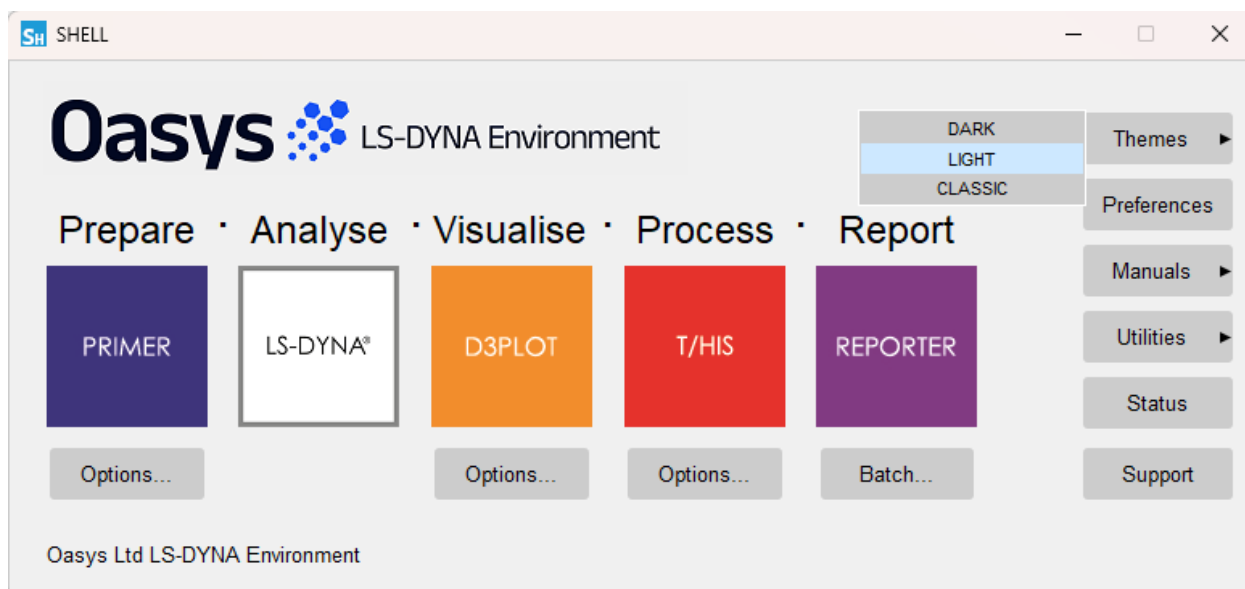




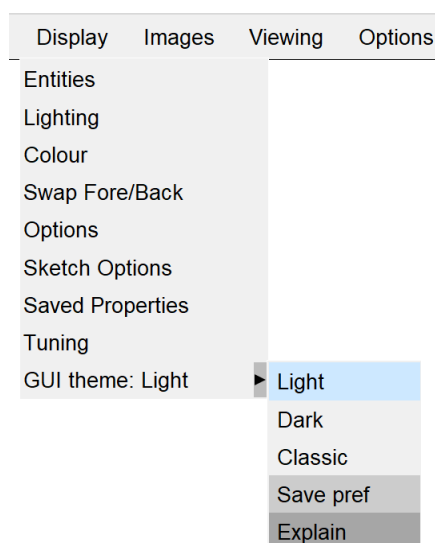
3.1. Setting the Theme

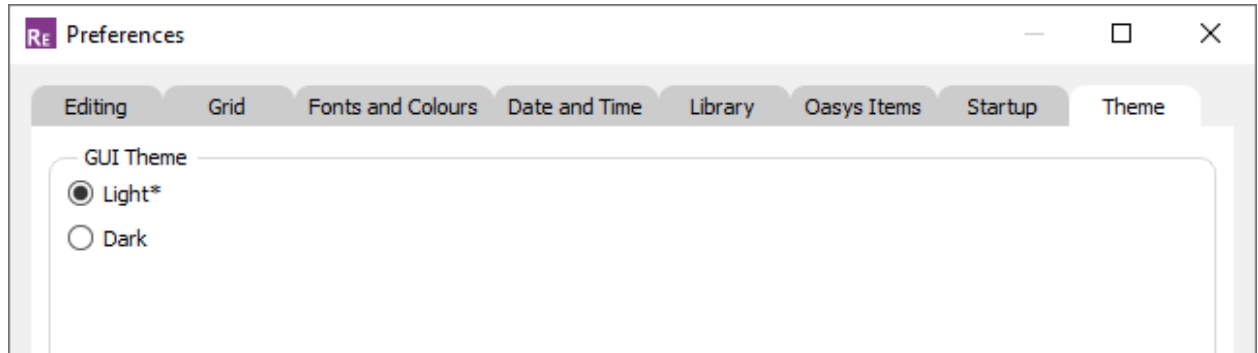
Setting the theme

The default software theme in Oasys 23.0 is **Light**. This can be changed from the Oasys SHELL by choosing from the **Themes** pop-up. This automatically saves the selected theme as your preference for all programs.



The theme can also be set for individual programs from the **Display** menu in PRIMER, D3PLOT and T/HIS or the **Preferences** menu (**File->Preferences...**) in REPORTER. This choice is not automatically retained after exiting the program, so you must select a theme, then select **Save pref** to ensure a theme is used for all future sessions.







4. Introduction

Introduction

T/HIS is an x/y plotting program, specifically written to perform two functions:

1. To produce time-history plots from transient analyses, such as those performed using Ansys LS-DYNA.
2. To plot any form of x/y data that is produced either by a program or by directly typing in values.

T/HIS is a graphically driven, interactive program. Input and manipulation of data is through a graphical user interface on systems capable of running X-Windows applications; selections are made through "pressing buttons" using a mouse. On machines not capable of running X-Windows it is also possible to use T/HIS in a "command line" mode of operation; instructions are entered through the keyboard to perform the required operations.



4.1. Program Limits

Program Limits

There are a number of limits in T/HIS of which the user should be aware. These are listed below:

Number of graphs	T/HIS can have a maximum of 32 graphs
Number of curves	The number of curves is unlimited
Number of points	The number of points that can be defined per curve is unlimited.
Time-history blocks	In the interface to the Ansys LS-DYNA time-history (<code>.thf</code>) file there is a limit of 100,000 items in each of the node, solid, beam, shell and thick shell time-history blocks: thus 500,000 items overall. In the interface to the Ansys LS-DYNA extra time-history (<code>.xtf</code>) file up to 100,000 nodal reactions (or groups of reactions) may be processed.
Number of colours	By default, T/HIS curves wrap around the following six colours in order: WHITE RED GREEN BLUE CYAN MAGENTA However, a further 24 predefined colours are available if required and 6 user defined ones can be created.
Title	The title can contain up to 80 characters.
Labels	Labels for axes and lines can contain up to 80 characters.

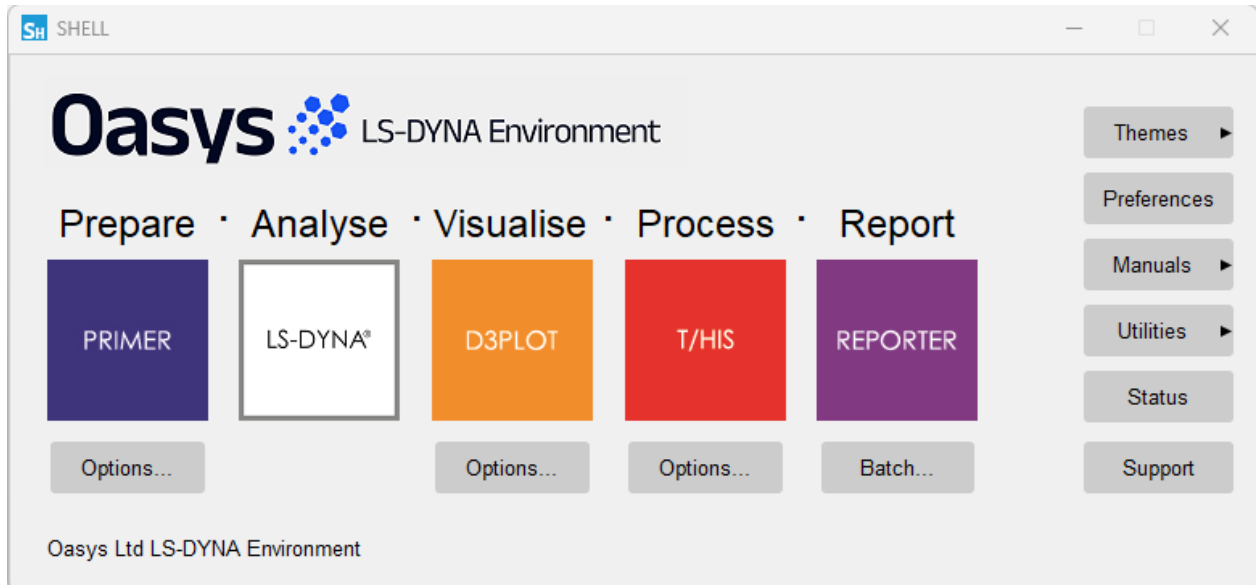


4.2. Running T/HIS

Running T/HIS

Starting the code

For users on a device with a window manager T/HIS is run from the [T/HIS](#) button in the SHELL:



If your system has been customised locally you may have to use some other command or icon: consult your system manager in this case.

Graphics Driver

T/HIS 9.3 onwards uses a OpenGL graphics driver.

T/HIS uses 32 bit (single-precision) numbers to store and plot data.

"Batch" Mode

T/HIS can run in "batch" mode where the main application window is not displayed on the screen. "Batch" mode is available on all platforms.

To start T/HIS in batch mode use the command line option "-batch".

e.g. `this14_64.exe -tcf=script.inp -batch`

When running in "batch" mode T/HIS will automatically exit at the end of the script regardless of whether or not "-exit" is specified.



NOTE : All image, postscript and PDF outputs require a DISPLAY on UNIX / LINUX systems. If you are running T/HIS in "batch" mode as part of a automatic post processing script then T/HIS must have a X Windows DISPLAY even though the main window is not displayed. If the machine you are using is a server or part of a cluster without an X-Server then T/HIS can be used with the Xvfb software.

Selecting a device when a window manager is not running

If you are running on a non-window device, for example a Tektronix display or emulator, you may not be able to use screen menus. Instead you will have to run in "command-line" mode.

It is very unlikely that a user on a modern workstation will see these options, since the machine will have a window manager and will be running in "screen menu" mode. If they do appear it suggests that the machine and/or software are wrongly set up: see below for suggested remedies.

If T/HIS will not start in screen-menu mode

You may be running on a device with a window manager, but still only get the command-line prompt (and probably no menu driven _93 shell either).

This is almost certainly because of one or both of the following setup errors:

- (1) The DISPLAY environment variable has not been set up, or has been set incorrectly. This tells the X11 window manager where to place windows, and it must be set to point to your screen. Its generic setup string is:

```
setenv DISPLAY <hostname>:<display number> (C shell syntax)
```

Where <hostname> is your machine's name or internet address, for example:

```
setenv DISPLAY :0 (Default display :0 on this machine)
```

```
setenv DISPLAY tigger:0 (Default display :0 on machine "tigger")
```

```
setenv DISPLAY 69.177.15.2:0 (Default display :0, address 69.177.15.2)
```

You may have to use the raw network address if the machine name has not been added to your `/etc/hosts` file, or possibly the "yellow pages" server hosts file.

- (2) Your machine (strictly the X11 "server") has not been told to accept window manager requests from remote machines. This is usually the case when you are



trying to display from a remote machine over a network, and you get the message similar to:

```
Xlib: connection to "<hostname>" refused by server
```

```
Xlib: Client is not authorised to connect to server
```

In this case go to a window with a Unix prompt on your machine, and type:

```
xhost +
```

Which tells your window manager to accept requests from any remote client. It will produce a confirmatory message, which will be something like:

```
access control disabled, clients can connect from any host
```

If T/HIS still fails to work then please contact your system manager, or contact Oasys Ltd Support for advice and help.

Command Line Mode

Command line mode is the main method of data input on non X-Windows devices. Command line mode is also available within the X-Windows screen interface and is accessed through the dialogue window. In command line mode the user will be presented with a prompt which also indicates which level of the menu structure the user is at. For example:

Defaults >

In response to the prompt a valid option must be given. These are usually a two or three letter abbreviation of a command; for example **PL** is the command to plot a graph. A list of the commands available is provided by typing **M** (for Menu). In addition to commands specific to one menu there are a number of commands which have the same effect throughout T/HIS.

- Q** - (Quit) Abort and return to current menu
- !** - Go up a level in the menu structure
- /** - Return to the top level menu
- ;** - Equivalent to a **<carriage return>** in a string of commands
- M** - Lists menu.

Several commands can be strung together on one line, separated by spaces, for example:



/DE GR ON

Numeric data can also be included in the command line if required, for example:

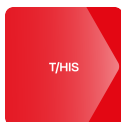
/OP ADX #1 7.2 #

Commands can be in upper or lower case.

As well as menu level commands you will be asked questions such as:

THF file to read (filename_1)?

The default response, if one exists, is given in parentheses.



4.3. Command Line Options

Command Line Options

Instead of starting T/HIS using the Command shell it is also possible to start T/HIS from the command line with a number of optional input parameters. Starting T/HIS from the command line offers a number of advantages.

- Faster start-up is possible by pre-selecting the device type.
- The input filename can be specified and opened automatically.
- Faster start-up is possible by pre-selecting the device type

Argument format:

<application name> (<arg 1>) (<arg n>) (<input filename>)

Command-line arguments are processed by T/HIS **before** reading any preferences from "oa_pref" files, so if there is a conflict with settings in the "oa_pref" file, the "oa_pref" file takes precedence. For example, if T/HIS is started with the -maximise command-line argument but the "oa_pref" preference "this*maximise: FALSE" is set, T/HIS will **not** be started maximised.

T/HIS 23.0 can be started with a number of optional command line options

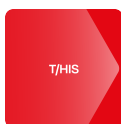
Graphics device type	-d=<device type> eg -d=default	Valid device types are:	
		opengl	OpenGL
		tty	No windows
		default	OpenGL
Command file name	-cf=<filename> eg -cf=run_1.tcf	Any valid T/HIS command file filename	
FAST-TCF input file	-tcf=<filename> eg -tcf=run_1.inp	Any valid T/HIS FAST-TCF command file filename	
Settings file	-set=<filename> eg -set=this001.set	Any valid T/HIS settings file	
JavaScript	-js=<filename> eg -js=sort_curve.js	Any valid T/HIS JavaScript file	



JavaScript Arguments	-js_arg=<argument> eg -js_arg=abc	Any valid string. The arguments can be accessed in the script by using the global arguments array. Multiple arguments can be given to a script by using more than one – js_arg command line argument.
Ansys LS-DYNA Model All the files associated with the model are opened and the contents scanned.	<filename> eg run_1.thf	Any filename from the analysis This should be the last argument on the command line.
Ansys LS-DYNA Model list Specify a file containing a list of models for T/HIS to automatically open.	-model_list=<filename> eg -model_List=job_list	The model list file should contain the full pathname of one file from each model that T/HIS should open. Each file should be on a separate line and it should be the first item on each line (other items separated with commas can be specified on the same line for use with REPORTER).
Model Database file Specify the name of the default model database file.	-mdb=<filename> eg -mdb=database.xml	The model database file is an XML format file that contains information on where models are located along with a brief description of each model. The model database can be used to easily select multiple models..
T/HIS curve file Specify a T/HIS curve file containing one or more curves for T/HIS to automatically open.	-cur=<filename> Or -curve=<filename> eg -cur=test.cur	



T/HIS curve file list Specify a file containing a list of curve files for T/HIS to automatically open.	-curve_list=<filename> Or -curve=<filename> eg -cur=test.cur	The curve list file should contain the full pathname of each cure file that you want T/HIS to open. Each file should be on a separate line.
T/HIS bulk data file Specify a T/HIS BDF file containing one or more curves for T/HIS to automatically open.	-bdf=<filename> eg -bdf=test.cur	
Automatically maximises the T/HIS window so that it occupies the full screen. Since version 19, the default for T/HIS is to start in "full screen" mode, so this argument is redundant. However, it still exists for consistency with old versions.	-maximise	
Read THF file	-thf=<yes/no>	



Read XTF file	<code>-xtf=<yes/no></code>	
Read LSDA (binout) file	<code>-lsda=<yes/no></code>	
Read ASCII files	<code>-ascii=<yes/no></code>	
Specifying a custom "oa_pref" file. This causes an extra, optional "oa_pref" file to be read.	<code>-pref=<filename></code>	<filename> must be a valid "oa_pref" file. If it has no path prefixed, the file is assumed to be in the OA_INSTALL directory. Any legal filename may be used.
Use ELOUT instead of ELOUTDET	<code>-use_elout=<yes/no></code>	By default T/HIS uses the ELOUTDET part of the LSDA file in preference to ELOUT if the LSDA file contains both. This option can be used to force T/HIS to use the ELOUT data when reading Shell and ThickShell data as the ELOUT data can be in the global coordinate system instead of the element local coordinate system.
Write out data in the ISO-MME format (See WRITE Options)	<code>-write_iso_mme</code>	This option should be used in conjunction with the <code>-iso_output_dir</code> and <code>-iso_config</code> options. A model to extract the data from also needs to be specified. As an example: <code>this.exe -write_iso_mme -iso_output_dir=<directory> -iso_config=<filename> <model_filename></code>
Specify the output directory to write data to for the <code>-write_iso_mme</code> option.	<code>-iso_output_dir=<directory></code>	
Specify the configuration file to use for the <code>-</code>	<code>-iso_config=<filename></code>	



write_iso_mme option.		
Specify a directory for T/HIS to start in.	-start_in=<directory>	Any valid directory
Set the width of the T/HIS graph window (in pixels)	-xres=<size> eg -xres=800	
Set the height of the T/HIS graph window (in pixels)	-yres=<size> eg -yres=600	
Run T/HIS without the console window.	-noconsole	Windows only.
Run T/HIS in "batch" mode where the main application window is not displayed on the screen.	-batch	For this option to work you must also specify a command file " -cf=filename " and the name of the PTF file to open. This option will automatically set " -exit " so that D3PLOT terminates after playing the command file.
Redirect output from the console window to a file on Windows. To redirect output on Unix/Linux use the shell redirection options (typically > for <stdout>, & for <stderr>)	-eo=<filename> -eo -eo=default	-eo=<filename> is designed for the user to suppress the console and redirect logfile output to the specified filename. In order to permit multiple sessions to coexist on the same machine the process ID will be appended to the <name> part of the filename to give <name>_pid.<ext>. If plain " -eo " or " -eo=default " are found then filename generation is automatic, and the first valid of: %TEMP%\this_log_<pid>.txt %TMP%\this_log_<pid>.txt %HOMESHARE%\this_log_<pid>.txt %USERPROFILE%\this_log_<pid>.txt



		will be used.
Read/Write checkpoint files Start writing the checkpoint files upon T/HIS startup Read checkpoint files and Show checkpoint playback panel upon T/HIS startup. Directory path to write checkpoint files	write_checkpoint_files=<TRUE/FALSE > show_checkpoint_files=<TRUE/FALSE > checkpoint_dir=<directory >	TRUE/FALSE, turn on/off the writing of the checkpoint files (default is FALSE) TRUE/FALSE, turn off the initial checkpoint files panel (default is FALSE) If the writing of the checkpoint files is OFF, the reading will also be OFF. <directory> must be a valid directory name on your system. If the value is <none> then the checkpoint files are not recorded for the T/HIS session.
Stop and exit after command file	-exit	

Some examples for T/HIS might be:

```
pathname/this12.exe -d=x run_2.thf (Use device X, open a .thf file)
pathname/this12.exe -d=tty
cf=batch.tcf -exit (No graphics, run command file)
```

Note that no spaces should be left in the syntax <arg>=<value>.

For example: " -d = x " is illegal.

Correct syntax is: " -d=x "



5. Using Screen Menus

Using Screen Menus

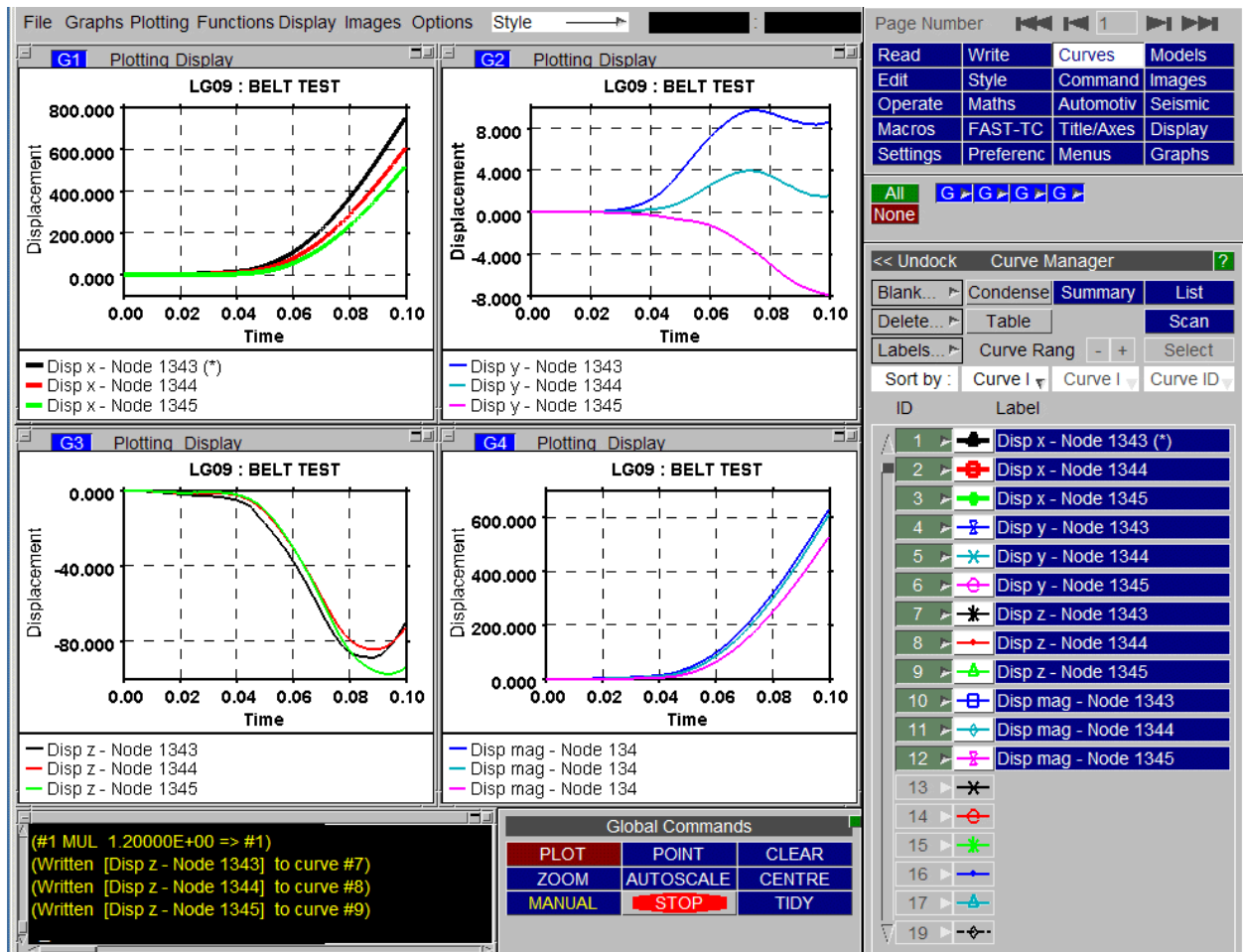
Versions of T/HIS prior to release 6.1 only had a "command-line" interface. This has been preserved for backwards compatibility, but a "screen-menu" interface has been added which allows you to drive the program almost entirely with the mouse.



5.1. Basic Screen Menu Layout

Basic screen menu layout

T/HIS runs within a single window, owned by the window manager, which has several sub-windows inside it. A typical T/HIS session will look like this:



The various sub-windows always exist within the master window, and may be moved and resized at will inside it. They will keep their relative size and position as the master window is changed in size and/or shape, and will reappear after the main window is de-icised.

The default layout of the main sub-windows is as follows:



These windows cannot be dismissed. A brief description of their functions is:

Main Menu Options	Provides access to the majority of the commands and options available in T/HIS through a series of sub menus (see Main Menu).
Graphics area	Is where graphs are drawn. In T/HIS 23.0 this area can contain a maximum of 32 graphs (see Graphs and Pages). Alternatively if graphs have been organised into pages (see Page Layout) then this area will display a single page of graphs.
Dialogue & list	Allows "command-line" input and output, also provides a listing area for messages.
Menu Area	Displays the commands and options associated the current selection from the main menu options.
Global Commands	Gives access to commonly used commands (see Global Commands and Pages).

While you are free to reposition these master windows it is recommended that you keep to this default layout. This is because when further sub-windows appear their position and size is designed assuming this layout, and aims to obscure as little useful information as possible.



5.2. Mouse and Keyboard Usage for Screen Menu Interface

Mouse and keyboard usage for screen-menu interface

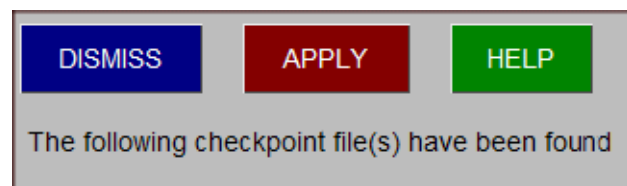
All screen-menu operations are driven with the left mouse button, with the following exceptions:

- (a) Text in the dialogue area and text boxes requires keyboard entry.
- (b) Text strings saved in the cursor "cut" buffer may be "pasted" into dialogue areas and text boxes using the middle mouse button.

The primitive "widgets" in the menu interface are used as follows:

BUTTONS:

Screen buttons are depressed by clicking on them, but action only takes place when the mouse button is released, so it is safe to drag the (depressed) mouse around the screen.



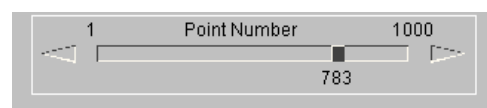
Buttons may also be greyed out to indicate that the option is not currently available. Buttons with " ..." after them will usually invoke sub-menus.

"Popup" window invocation : Buttons with an ">" symbol may be selected normally with the left mouse button, but if the *right* mouse button is depressed over them it will invoke a "popup" window. Holding the right mouse button down move the cursor into this window to make a selection, or move elsewhere and release the button to deactivate the popup.



SLIDERS:

Sliders are moved by clicking on the slider button itself, and then dragging it to a new position. They may also be moved automatically





by clicking on, and holding down, one of the arrows at either end.

TEXT BOXES:

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To enter text in a text box: first make it "live" by clicking on it, then type in text, then type **<return>** to enter the string. Clicking on a "live" box for a second time is exactly the same as typing **<return>**, so clicking twice on a box effectively enters its current contents. You can use the left and right arrow keys for line editing within a box: text entry takes place after the current cursor position.

RADIO BOXES

A "radio" set is provided where only one selection is possible from a range of options. In this example the postscript laser output has been set to a single image per page.

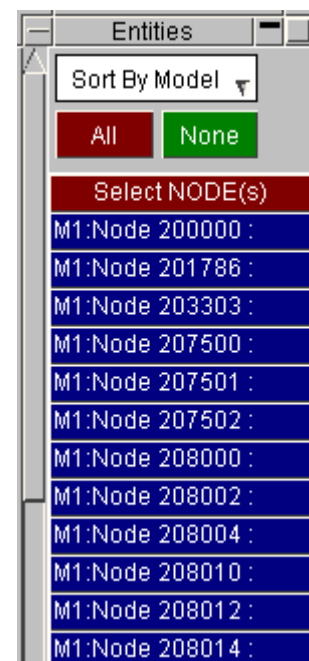


MENU SELECTIONS:

Menus of items are used when you need to make one or more selections from a (potentially) long list. Click on the row you want to select: clicking on a row that is already selected will have the effect of unselecting it. When the list is too long to display in the window you can use the vertical scroll-bars to move up and down it.

A range of items may be selected by either

- 1) Click on the first item and hold down the mouse key, drag the mouse to the last item in the list. All items between the first and last including the first and last are selected.
- or
- 2) Click on the first item, hold down the SHIFT key and click on the last item in the list. All items between the first and last including the first and last are selected.





5.3. Dialogue Input in the Screen Menu Interface

Dialogue input in the screen menu interface

The full command-line capability is preserved when T/HIS is running in screen-menu mode, and you are free to mix command-line and mouse-driven input at will. There are some situations in which command-line input is more efficient: for example when entering lists of explicit entities.

Commands are entered in the dialogue box:



As this example shows the dialogue box is also used for listing messages, warnings and errors to the screen. It can be scrolled back and forth (its buffer is 200 lines long) to review earlier messages. The following colours are used:

Normal messages and prompts	Yellow
Text typed in by you	White
Warning messages	Magenta
Error messages	Red

There is a minor limitation when mixing command-line and screen-menu mode: you cannot perform the same function simultaneously in both modes. If you attempt to do so you will get the message:

WARNING: recursive access attempted

And you will not be permitted to continue.

For T/HIS 20.0 onwards, we have now also added the ability to use the Up and Down arrow keys in order to cycle through previously issued commands that you have entered into the Dialogue window. Currently only the last 50 commands are stored in memory. Commands issued after this 50 limit will remove the oldest issued commands first from the list.



5.4. Window Management in the Screen Interface

Window management in the screen interface

Moving, resizing and scrolling of windows is based on the conventions used in the Motif Window Manager.

To move a window:

Click down on its title bar, then drag the window to where you want it to be. A "rubber-band" outline moves to show the window's current position.

To resize a window:

Either

Click on a border bar to move just that side, or on a corner bar to move both sides attached to that corner. Again, a rubber-band outline shows you the new shape.

or

Use the **MAXIMISE** button  in the top right hand corner of the window to increase the size of the window to the largest possible size.

To scroll a window:

If a window has got too small for its contents then horizontal and/or vertical scrollbars will appear. Click on a scrollbar slider and move it to the desired position, the window contents will scroll as you do so. Alternatively click on the arrows at either end of the scrollbar for timed motion in that direction.

To minimise a window:

Click on the button  in the top right hand corner of the window. When a window has been iconised it will appear in the **ICON** area at the bottom of the screen.

To restore a window:

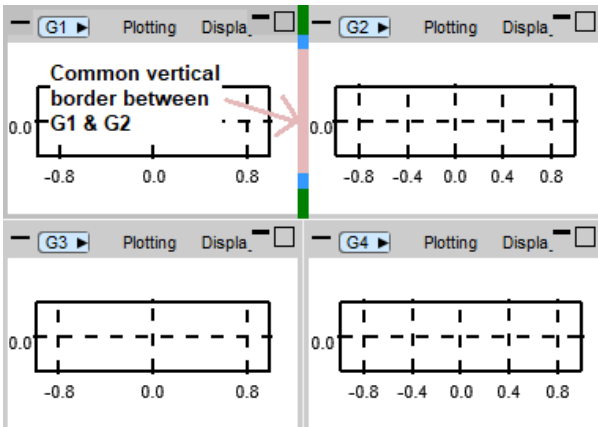
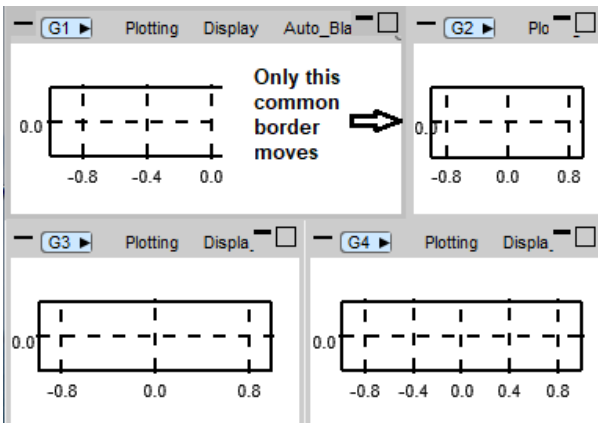
Iconised windows may be restored by clicking on the icon in the ICON area.

5.5. Common Borders for graphics windows

Common Borders for graphics windows

When a page contains more than one graphics window these are laid out in a cellular grid as defined in the [Window Layout](#) section. This leads to "common borders" between adjacent windows. From T/HIS 19.0 onwards it is possible to drag this common border with the mouse in a way that resizes windows on both sides of the border as shown in the following images.

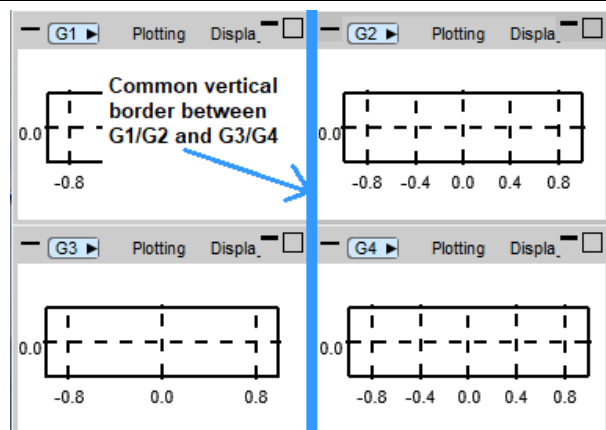
Move the mouse (don't depress a button) over a border region between two windows. This will highlight the drag areas in which a "click and drag" operation will move borders. In order to control which borders are dragged, three zones – coloured pink, blue and green – are shown and these have the following meanings:

Pink zone defines a common border between exactly two adjacent windows.  (Horizontal and vertical borders behave the same way. A horizontal border is shown here. The example on the right shows a vertical border being moved.)	
Dragging in this pink region border moves only that common border between the two windows. So in this example, the vertical border between G1 and G2 is moved, but that between G3 and G4 is unchanged.	

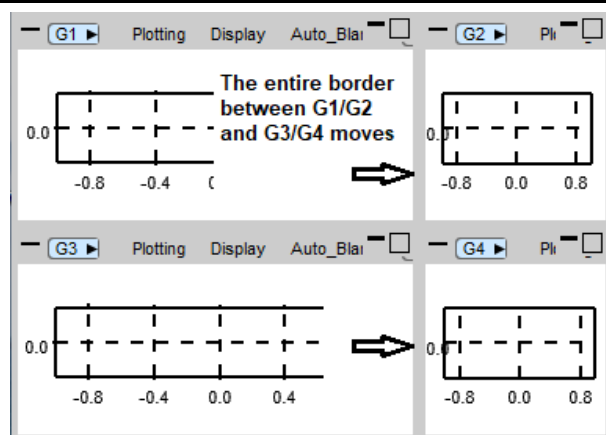
Blue zones define a common border extending the full height or width of the page as appropriate.



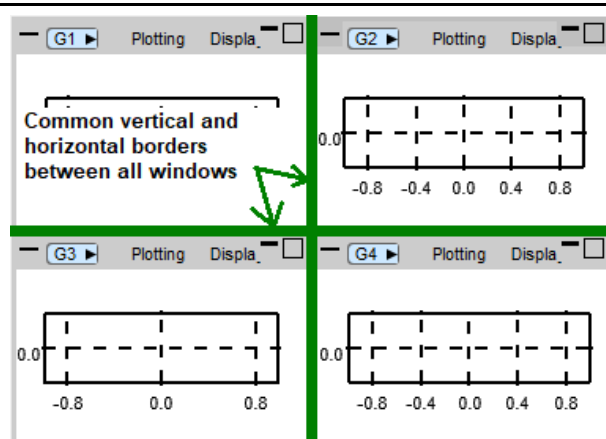
(Both blue zones have the same effect, it doesn't matter which end you use.)

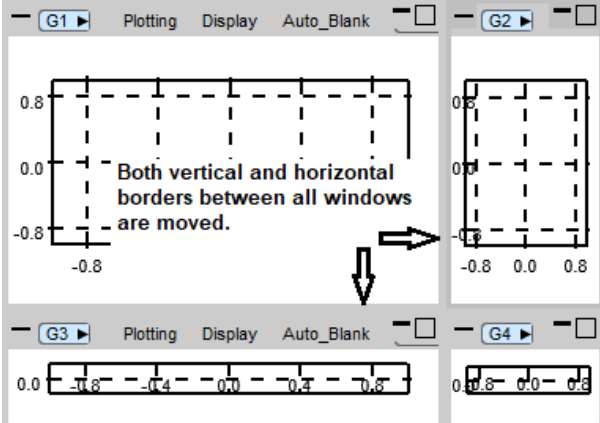


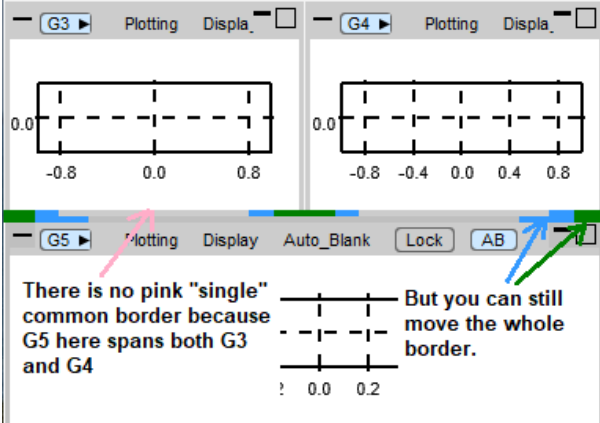
Dragging in the blue zone moves all windows on either side of the border in the appropriate direction. In this example, all four windows are moved.



Green zones define two common borders extending both horizontally and vertically to the full width and height of the page



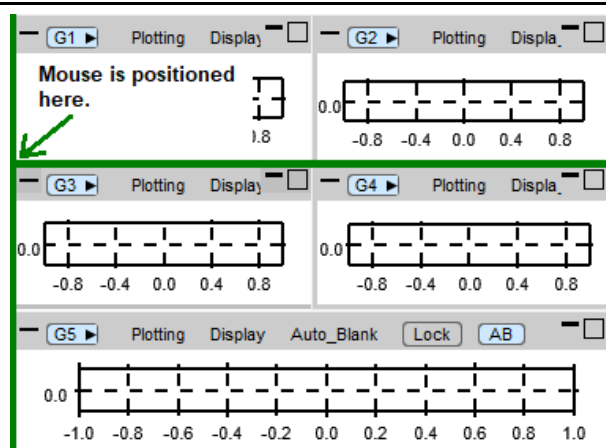
(Both green zones have the same effect, it doesn't matter which end you use.)	
Dragging in the green zone moves all windows on either side of the border in the appropriate direction. In this example, all four windows are moved.	

When windows are not the same size: In this example G5 is twice the width of G3 and G4 above it so there is no single common border between G3/G5 or G4/G5. In this situation, there will be no pink zone, only blue and green.	

Positioning the mouse at window edges:

When using the green zone to drag both horizontal and vertical axes, the borders that are dragged are those which intersect at the corner where the mouse is located.

In this example, the mouse is at the bottom left of G1 / top left of G3 and it can be seen that the borders that are highlighted for dragging are those which intersect at this point.

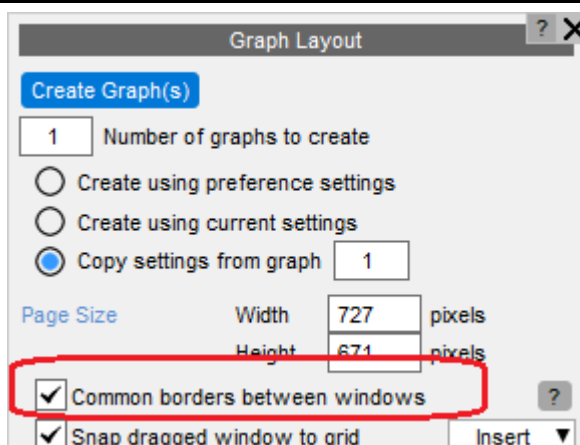


Switching common border dragging on/off

Common borders are on by default, but they can be controlled from the [Graph Layout](#) panel.

The default behaviour may also be set by the preference:

```
this*common_window_borders: true |
false
```



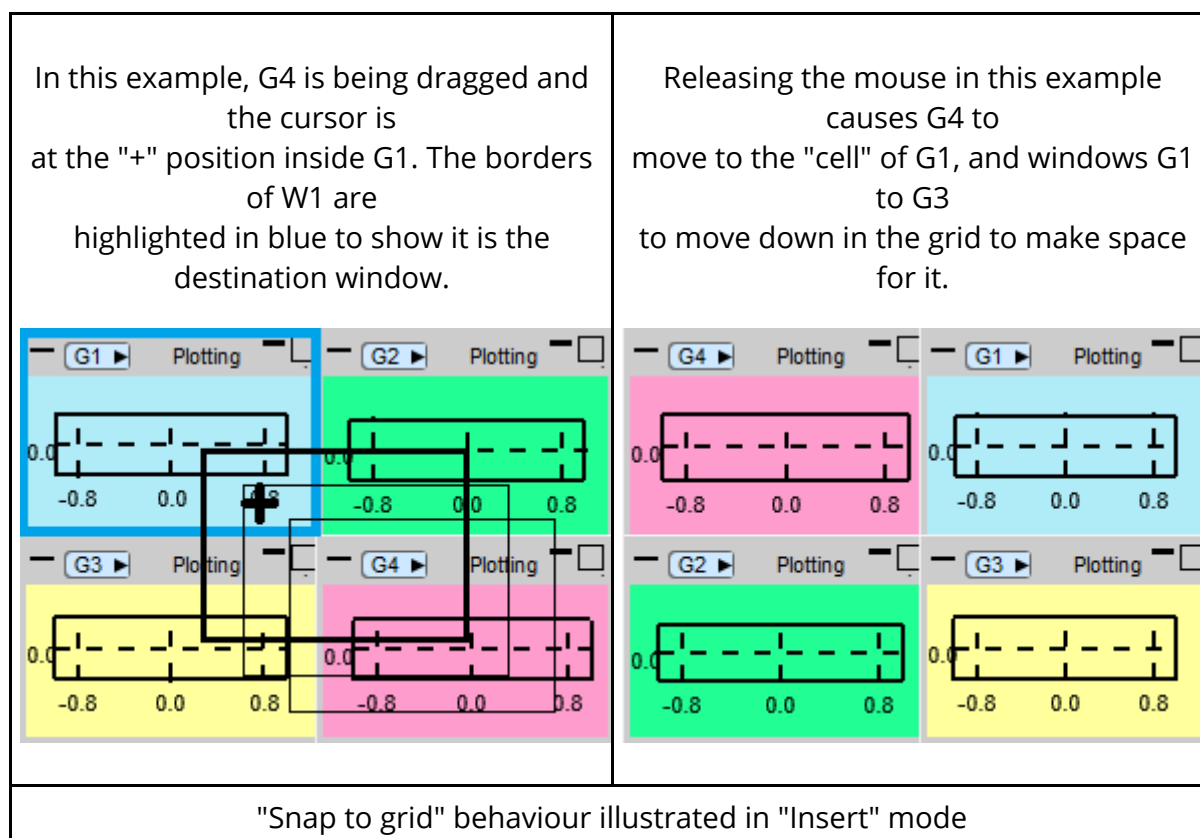
Window "snap to grid" and other options.

When dragging an entire window with the mouse to move its position on the screen (i.e. not resizing it) there are several possible outcomes:

1. **Snap to Grid:** The window is moved from one "cell" in a multi-window page to a different cell, shifting the contents of one or more cells out of the way.
2. **Free positioning #1:** The window is moved from inside the T/HIS master window to a new user-defined position within that window, i.e. positioned where it is "dropped".

3. **Free positioning #2:** The window is moved from inside the T/HIS master window and out onto the desktop.

The behaviour of "Snap to Grid" is illustrated in the following figure:



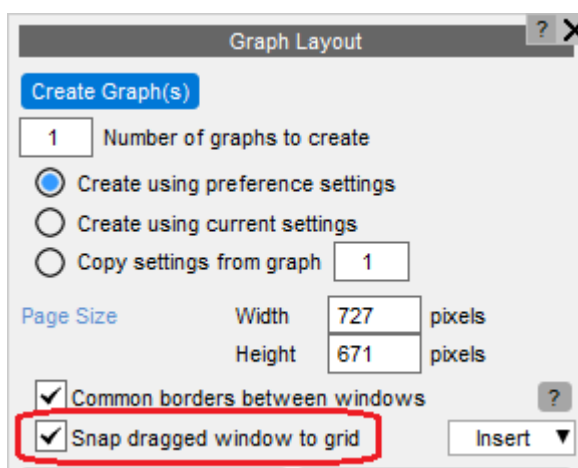
Switching "Snap to grid" on/off

Snap to grid is on by default, but it can be controlled from the [Graph Layout](#) panel.

The default behaviour may also be set by the preference

```
this*snap_window_position: true | false
```

If turned off, the window positioning within the master T/HIS window reverts to "Free positioning #1" mode with the window positioned where it is dropped with the mouse.



The behaviour of the other windows when a window is moved into a new position depends on whether the mode is **Insert** or **Swap**:



Insert	Other windows circulate either up or down, as in the example above.
Swap	The window being dragged and its destination window swap places

Dragging a window from inside the T/HIS master window onto the desktop, "Free positioning #2", is independent of the "snap to grid" setting: once on the desktop the window does not have any cell membership.

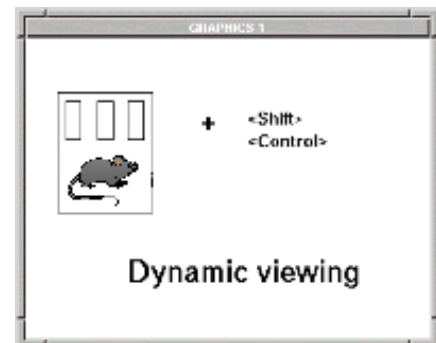
The ordering of windows within cells can also be controlled explicitly within the the [Graph Layout](#) panel.



5.6. Dynamic Viewing (Using the Mouse to Change Views)

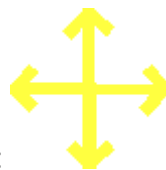
Dynamic Viewing (Using the mouse to change views).

"Dynamic" viewing is the name given to the process in which you perform viewing transformations by moving the mouse around the screen.



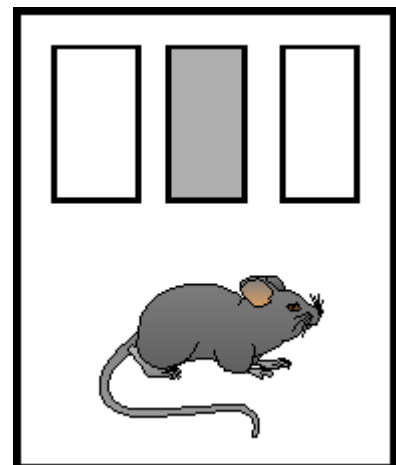
Dynamic Translation.

Dynamic translation uses `<mid mouse> + <left shift>`



The cursor symbol is yellow, and looks like:

The relationship between mouse and image motion is intuitive: the object tracks the mouse motion in the screen XY plane. The initial position of the mouse is irrelevant.



Dynamic Magnification (Scaling).

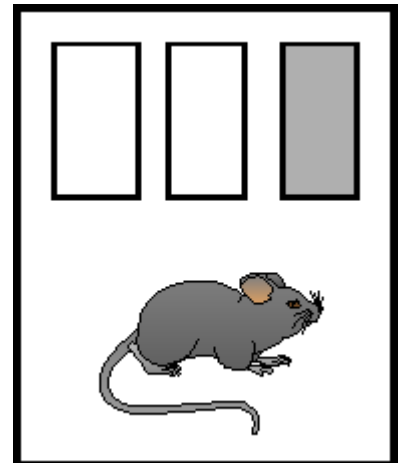


Dynamic scaling uses `<right mouse> + <left shift>`



The cursor symbol is green, and looks like:

Mouse motion to the right and up makes the image larger, left and down smaller. The initial position of the mouse is irrelevant. A horizontal movement will scale just the x-axis while a vertical movement will scale just the y-axis.

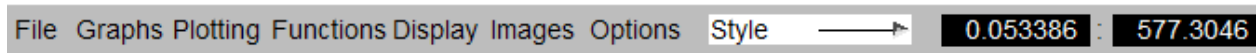




5.7. "Tool Bar" Options

"Tool Bar" Options

Across the top of the main graphics window are a number of buttons that can be used to access other T/HIS menus (see [Tool Bar](#)) for more details..



If the graphics box is [maximised](#) to take up the whole of the main window these buttons can be used to access the rest of the T/HIS menus without having to resize the graphics box between commands. Almost all of the options and functions in these menus may also be accessed from other menu locations, e.g. the Main Menu area.

5.8. Colours

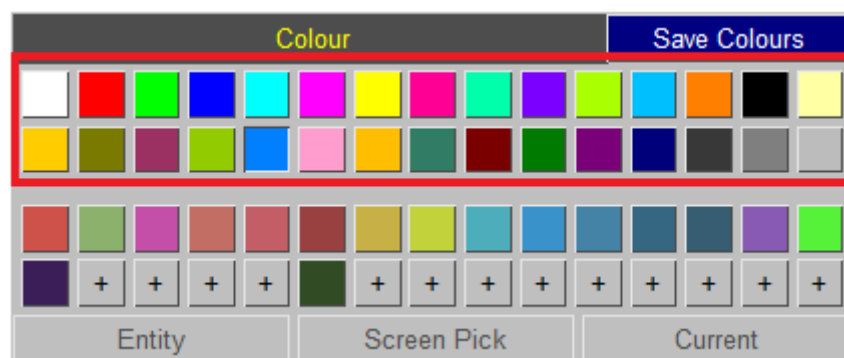
Colours

The colour popup allows users to select a standard colour or set-up and use a user-defined colour.

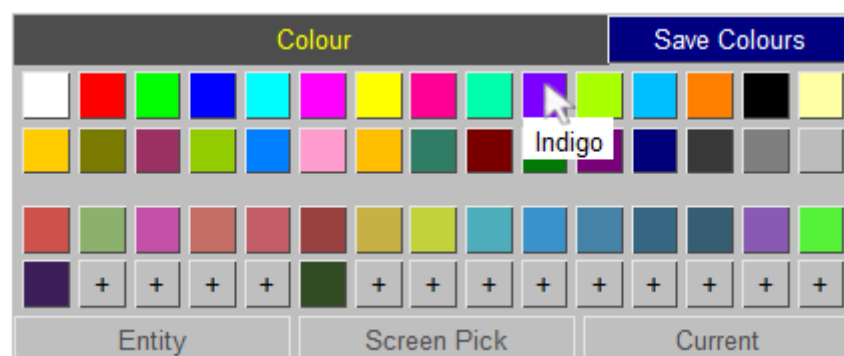
For some menus special context colours are available, for example "Entity", "Default" or "Background". These options are explained in more detail in the sections of the manual about that menu.

Standard Core Colours

The top two rows show the 30 standard core colours.



When you hover over the colour the name is shown.



This name can be used to specify this colour in preferences and dialogue inputs.

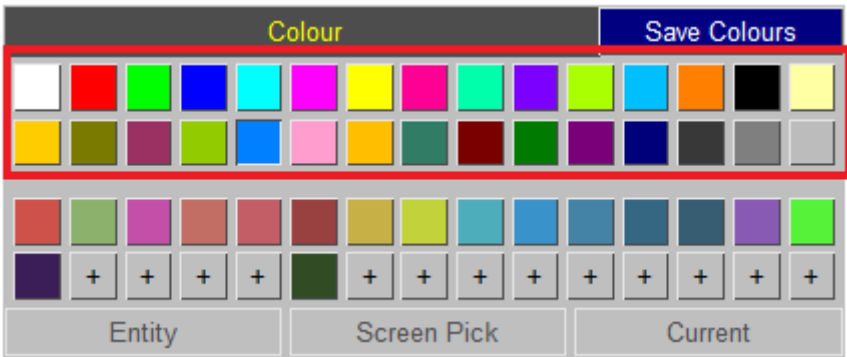
In T/HIS this name can be used in JavaScript and FAST-TCF.

When using the name, "_" is used instead of " ", for example "Hot Pink" becomes "HOT_PINK".



Standard Core Colours

The top two rows show the 30 standard core colours.

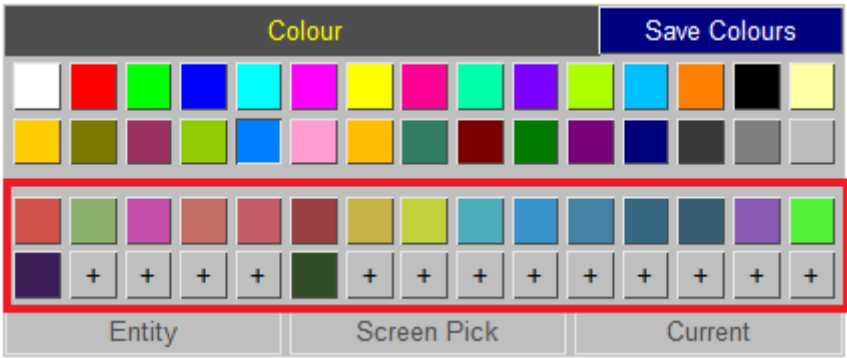


The standard core colours available are very similar in D3PLOT and T/HIS. The following colours are a similar shade but have different names:

D3PLOT	T/HIS
Red/Magenta	Orange
Green/Cyan	Turquoise
Yellow/Green	Lime
Light Blue	Sky
Dark Orange	Pink
Cyan/Blue	Medium Blue
Red/Orange	Light Pink
Grey	Medium Grey

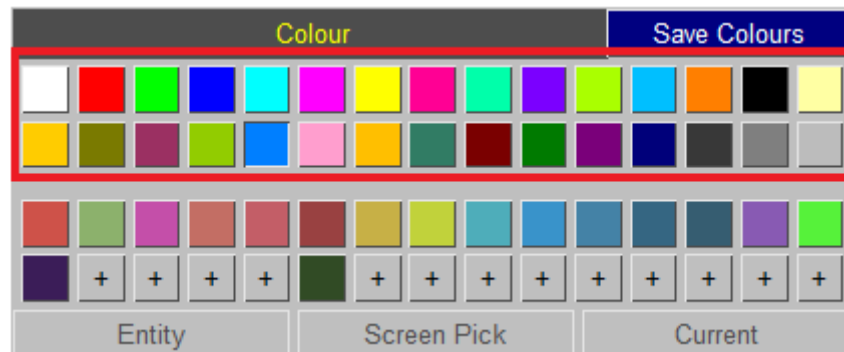
User-Defined Colours

The lower rows show the user-defined colours. There can be up to 150 user-defined colours.



Standard Core Colours

The top two rows show the 30 standard core colours.



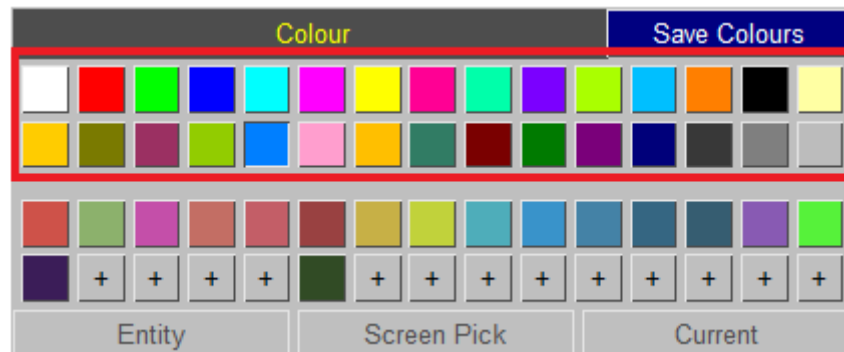
Click on a user-defined colour to apply it, or click on an empty slot to create a new user-defined colour.

User-defined colours can be used in the dialogue input by specifying their name.

In T/HIS user-defined colours can be used in FAST-TCF.

Standard Core Colours

The top two rows show the 30 standard core colours.



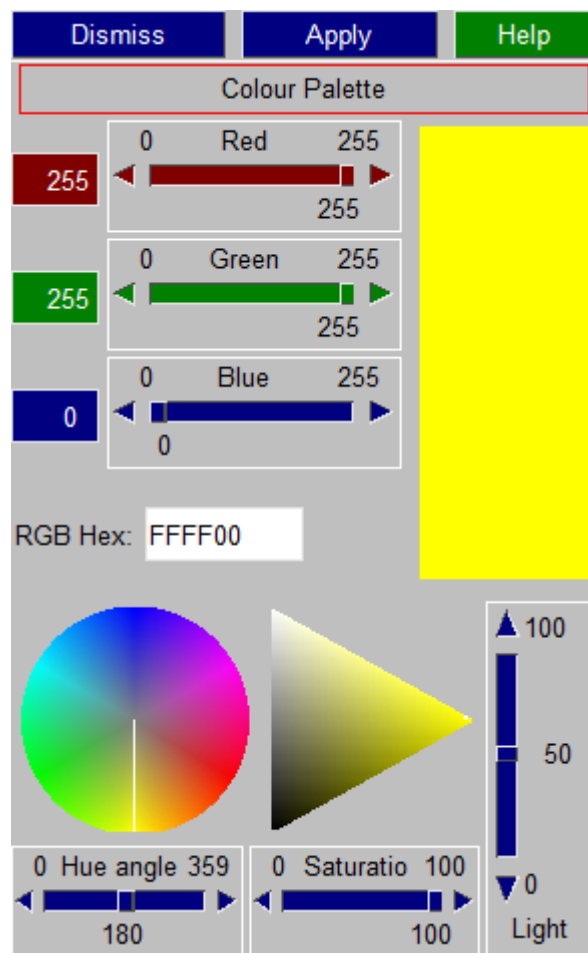
Creating

To create a new user colour click on an empty slot. This maps a colour palette.

The colour can be edited a number of ways:

- Using sliders to set the red, green and blue value,
- Inputting a hex colour code,
- Clicking on the colour wheel and cone, or
- Using sliders to set the hue, light and saturation levels.

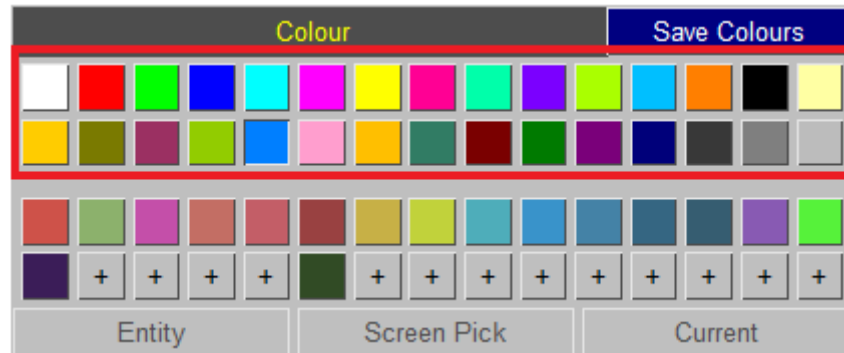
When you create a colour it is applied.



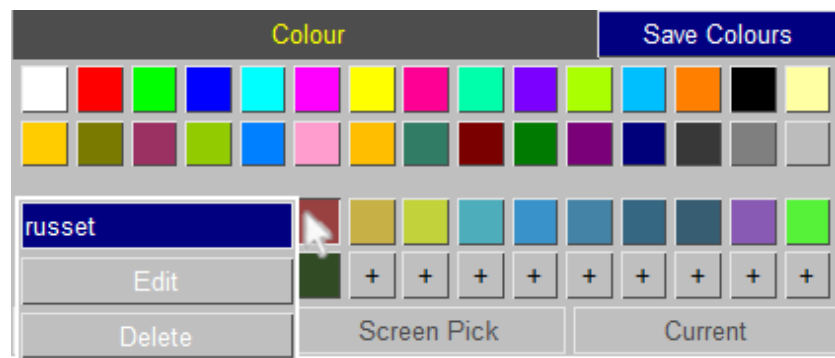
Editing

Standard Core Colours

The top two rows show the 30 standard core colours.



Hover over a user colour to edit it. You have the choice to change the name of the colour, **Edit** it, or **Delete** it.



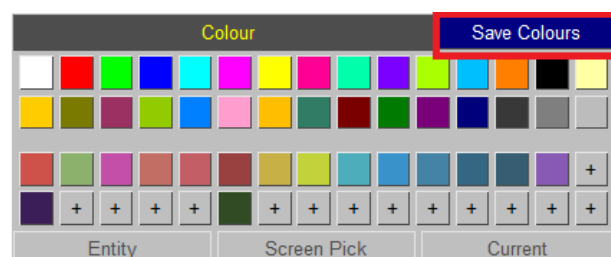
The user-defined colours are given the standard name, for example "user_1". They can be renamed. The name must start with a letter and gets set to all lower case. If the name is not unique, a number will be appended to it, for example "green_1".

Edit maps the colour palette. If you edit a colour it is then applied.

Delete removes a colour. The colour is no longer available when you next open the colour popup.

Saving

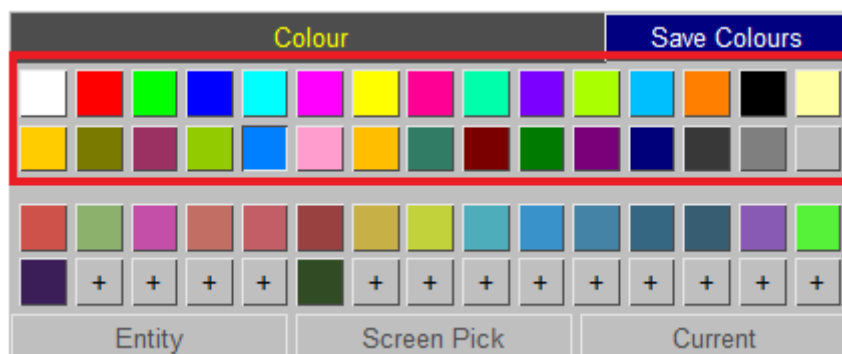
The user-defined colours can be saved. The same user-defined colour are then available when you next run D3PLOT or T/HIS.





Standard Core Colours

The top two rows show the 30 standard core colours.



The user-defined colours are stored in the `user_colours.xml` file. If the user has permission to modify things in the `INSTALL` directory, the user is given the option to either save the user colours to the `INSTALL` directory (which is sometimes visible to multiple users) or their `HOME` directory.

Alternatively, the preference `user_colour_file` can be set to specify an `.xml` file.

When D3PLOT or T/HIS is next started the `user_colours.xml` file is read in.

If the same colour, for example "user_1", is defined in the `user_colours.xml` file in both the `INSTALL` and `HOME` directory, the `HOME` directory `user_colours.xml` file takes precedence.

If the preference `user_colour_file` has been set, any `user_colours.xml` file in the `HOME` directory is ignored. If a colour is also defined in the `user_colours.xml` file in the `INSTALL` directory, the `user_colour_file .xml` file takes precedence.

For T/HIS, if a user colour was previously set-up using a preference, for example `this*user_colour1`, and that colour slot is also defined in a `user_colours.xml` file, the `user_colours.xml` file takes precedence.

T/HIS Link

When running the T/HIS link any user colours created in D3PLOT (or in T/HIS) will be available in the other program. When T/HIS is first opened it sets-up the user colours to match the current D3PLOT session, rather than using a saved `user_colours.xml` file.

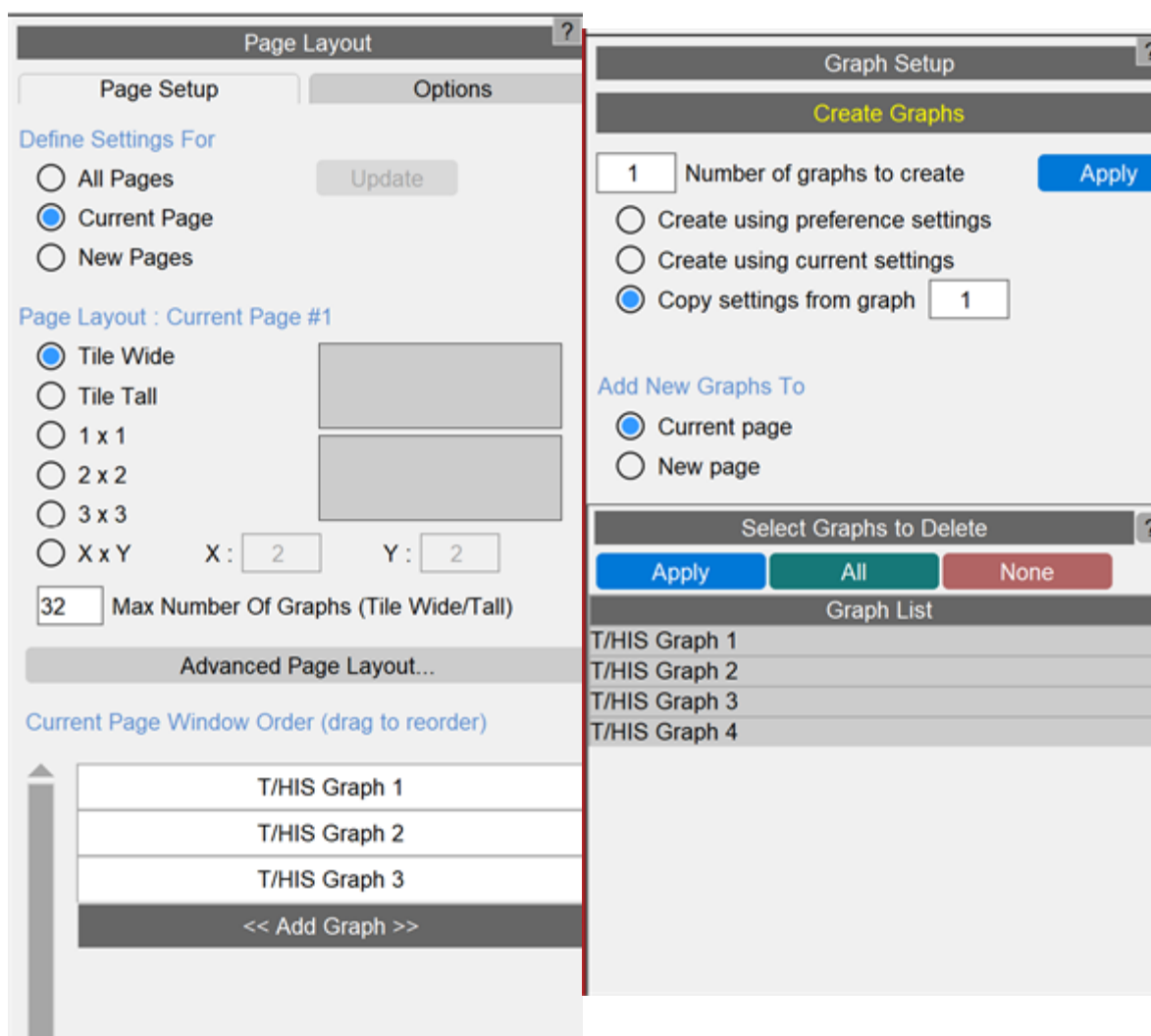


6. Graphs and Pages

Graphs and Pages

T/HIS 23.0 can display a maximum of 1024 graphs. Each graph can have a different appearance and they can display different curves.

Graphs can be laid out using a number of different formats and they can be organised into Pages.

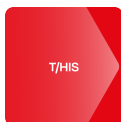




6.1. Graph

T/HIS stores curves within graphs. Graphs are display windows that show the X-axis and Y-axis grids and allow users to select which curves are displayed within each graph. T/HIS supports a maximum of 1024 graphs. Graphs can be edited using this menu.

Read	Write	Curves	Models
Edit	Style	Properties	Workflows
Operate	Maths	Automotive	Seismic
Macros	FAST-TCF	Title/Axes	Display
Settings	Measure	Groups	Graphs
Command Fil	Units	JavaScript	Datum
Images	Layout		



6.1.1. Creating Graphs

Creating Graphs

Create Graphs

Create a new graph.

The [shortcut key](#) 'G' can also be used to create new graphs.

Number of graphs to create

This option can be used to create multiple graphs.

When new graphs are created, the initial settings for each graph can be copied from three different sources:

Create using preference settings

The [Display](#) and [Axis Settings](#) are copied from the preference file.

Create using current settings

The [Display](#) and [Axis Settings](#) are copied from the current settings in the Display and Axis menus.

Copy settings from graph n

The [Display](#) and [Axis Settings](#) are copied from the specified graph.

Add new Graphs To

Select the location for the new graph. The graph will be added to the current page or to a new page



6.1.2. Deleting Graphs

Deleting Graphs

Selecting Graphs

Click Graphs in the Graphs List to select graphs for deletion. Click All to select all graphs, or click None to deselect all graphs.

Delete Graphs

Apply button deletes graphs from T/HIS.

Select Graphs to Delete ?

Apply All None

Graph List

- T/HIS Graph 1
- T/HIS Graph 2
- T/HIS Graph 3
- T/HIS Graph 4
- T/HIS Graph 5
- T/HIS Graph 6
- T/HIS Graph 7
- T/HIS Graph 8
- T/HIS Graph 9



6.1.3. Active Graphs

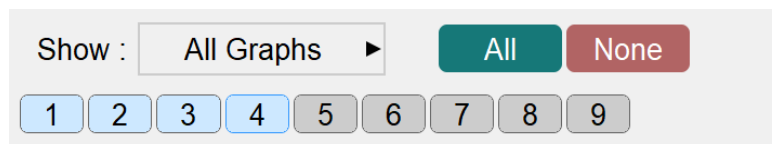
Active Graphs

When T/HIS contains more than one graph, each graph can be toggled between an active and an inactive state.

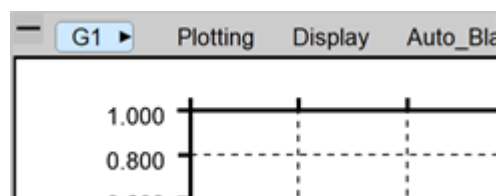
This allows precise control over which graphs are currently enabled for display or editing. Graph selection can be applied either to all graphs or only to the graphs on the currently displayed page.

This scope is defined using the drop-down option **All Graphs** or **Current Page**.

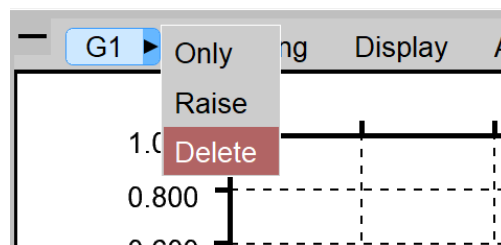
All graphs within the selected scope can be activated simultaneously using the **All** button, or deactivated using the **None** button.



Graphs can also be activated / deactivated using the button located in the top left hand corner of each graph.



There is a popup menu attached to each button that can be used to select that graph **Only**, **Raise** the graph so that it is in front of any others or to **Delete** the graph.



When a graph is deleted any graphs with higher numbers are renumbered downwards to remove any gaps in the graph numbering.





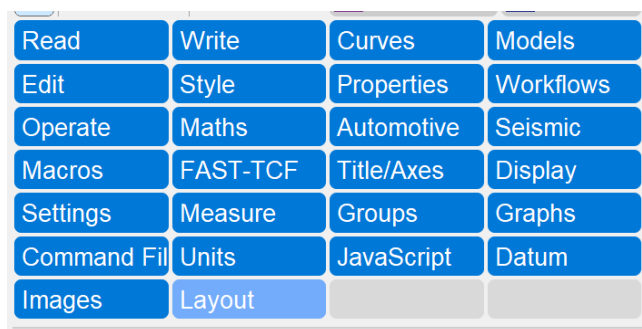
6.2. Page

Page Layout

T/HIS can have a maximum of 1024 pages, each page can contain multiple graphs. For more information on selecting the currently displayed page [Global Commands and Pages](#) . The [Image Output](#) options and the [FAST-TCF Create](#) option can produce output for either a single page or multiple pages if graphs are located on more than one page.

Graphs can be laid out in a number of different formats and can be organised into Pages.

The page layout can be changed by adjusting the page order or orientation using the Layout tool in T/HIS.





6.2.1. Page Layout

Pages Layout

Graphs can be laid out in a number of different formats and can be organized into Pages. This menu can be used to select Page Layout that is applied to Current Page, All Pages or New Page.

Apply layout to changes to all existing pages. The Update button must be used to apply.

All Pages

Define Settings For

☐ All Pages

☒ Current Page

☐ New Pages

Update

Apply layout to changes only to the

Current Page



active
page.

New
Page

Define
layouts
for
pages
created
in
the
future.

Preset Page Layout

If a Preset page layout is used and the layout is set to [Tile Wide](#) or [Tile Tall](#) then Graphs are added to the page, up to the maximum number defined. Other preset layouts simply fit graphs to the square (e.g. "3 x 3" will fit up to 9 graphs on the page).

Page Layout : Current Page #9

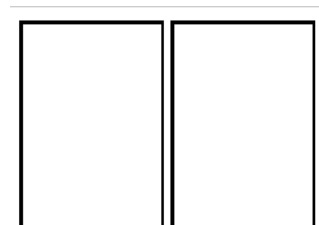
☒ Tile Wide
☐ Tile Tall
☐ 1 x 1
☐ 2 x 2
☐ 3 x 3
☐ X x Y X: Y:

Max Number Of Graphs (Tile W

Tile Wide

In Tile Wide mode, the number of rows and columns is selected using the nearest square-root layout, ensuring the number of rows is less than or equal to the number of columns.

In Wide layout, the maximum number of graphs can be specified using the "Max Number of Graphs" text box. The allowed range is from 1 to 64 graphs.

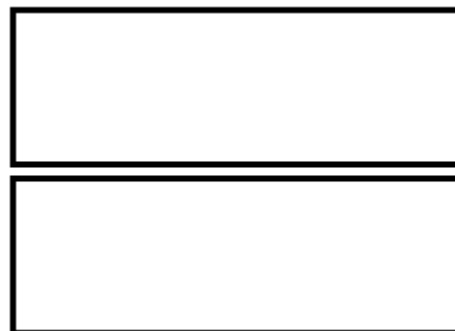




Tile Tall

In Tile Tall mode, the number of rows and columns is selected using the nearest square-root layout, ensuring the number of rows is greater than or equal to the number of columns.

In Tall layout, the maximum number of graphs can be specified using the “Max Number of Graphs” text box. The allowed range is from 1 to 64 graphs.



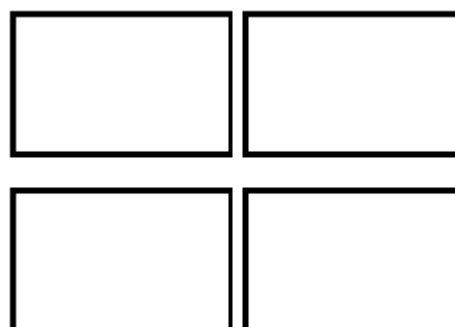
1 x 1

Each graph is positioned on its own page.



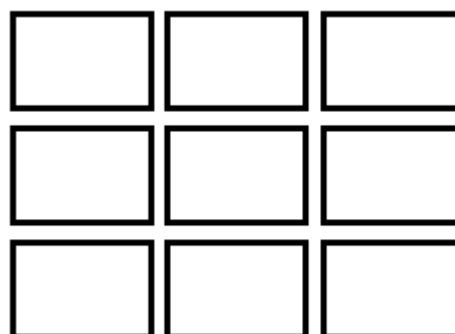
2 x 2

Graphs are arranged in a 2 by 2 grid. If there are more than 4 graphs, then graphs 1 to 4 are positioned on page 1, graphs 5 to 8 on page 2, etc.



3 x 3

Graphs are arranged in a 3 by 3 grid. If there are more than 9 graphs then graphs 1 to 9 are positioned on page 1, graphs 10 to 18 on page 2, etc.





X x Y

Graphs are displayed in an X by Y grid layout. The grid dimensions can be adjusted by entering values in the X and Y text boxes.

The text boxes indicate the X and Y settings for either the current page or all pages.

X and Y values must be between 1 and 8. When a maximum number of graphs is specified, the X and Y values can be adjusted only such that the product of X and Y is less than or equal to the specified maximum number of graphs.



6.2.1.1. Current Page

Current Page

Selecting **Current Page** in the **"Define Settings for"** option displays a list of graphs present on the current page.

By default, Graphs are added to pages in the order they are created.

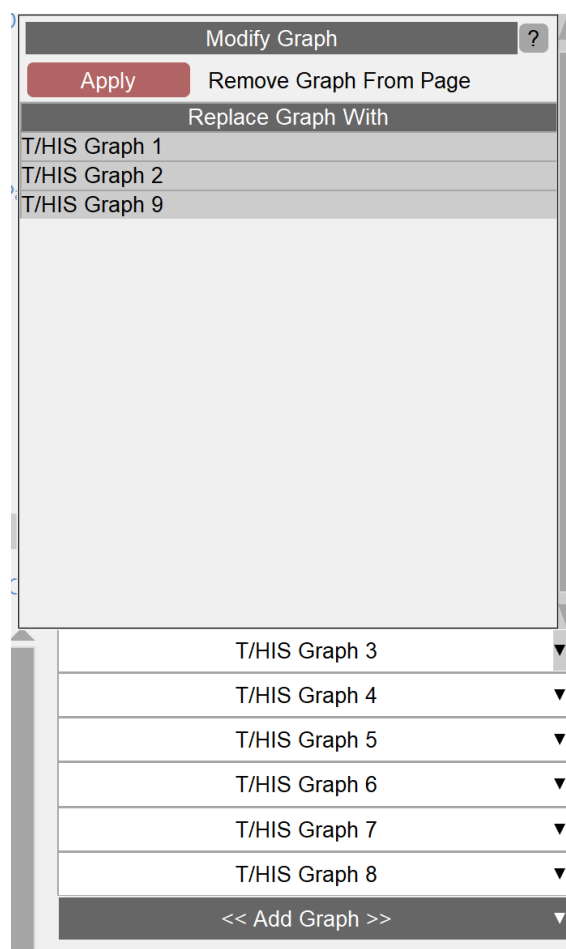
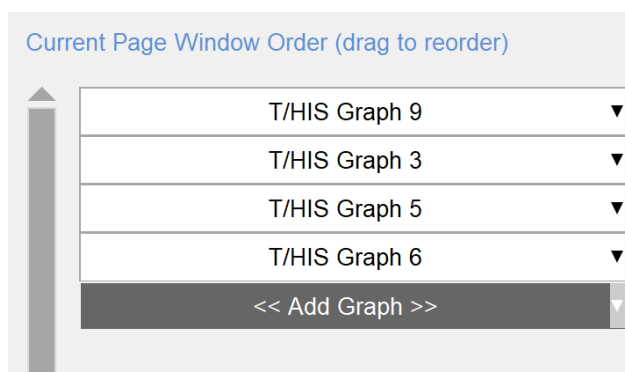
The order of Graphs can be changed by clicking on a row and dragging it up or down the list of a new position.

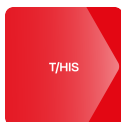
Any Graphs that have been dragged out onto the desktop are removed from the list.

Right clicking on an **<<Add Graph>>** row will display a popup menu that can be used to select any Graphs currently in the session.

Right-clicking any graph row opens a pop-up menu that allows selection of a graph to replace the current graph. Selecting Apply removes the graph from the page without replacement.

In a Linked D3PLOT → T/HIS session, this menu will also display any T/HIS graphs





that are currently docked inside D3PLOT windows so that they can be added back onto a page.

6.2.1.2. All Pages

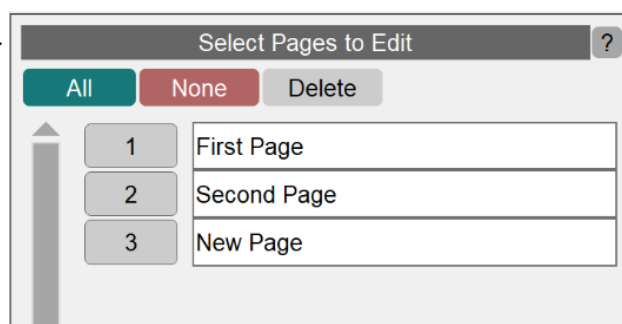
All Pages

Selecting **All Pages** in the “Define Settings for” option displays a list of pages. The page list includes toggle buttons to select or deselect pages for deletion.

Selecting **All** marks all pages for deletion.

Selecting **None** clears all page selections.

Delete removes the selected pages.

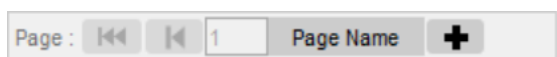


The text boxes associated with each page are used to enter page names.

Page Name

Users can add names to pages. Names can be added or edited in the All Pages section.

The page name is displayed in the top bar, as shown below.

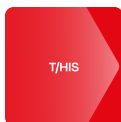


Users are not allowed to use reserved names such as “All” or “all” as page names, as this interferes with dialog commands. Each page name must be unique.

Users can also view page names in the Advanced Page Layout by hovering over the page number button.



Page IDs can be retrieved using page names, and page names can be retrieved using page IDs in JavaScript and Dialogue Commands.



6.2.2. Advanced Mode

Advanced Mode

In Advanced mode, the panel controls the layout for all pages, and all graphs are displayed on those pages.

The layout shown at the top of each column reflects the page's layout.

The layout can be modified using the popup menu, and graphs can be added, removed, or reordered using the controls located below this section of the menu.

If the selected layout defines a fixed number of slots (for example, 1×1, 2×2, 3×3, or X×Y), the menu displays one button for each slot. In Tile Wide and Tile Tall modes, the panel provides enough buttons to accommodate the maximum number of graphs allowed on a page.

A slot containing a graph displays the assigned graph. If a slot is empty, the first available empty slot displays **"Add >"**. The associated popup menu lists all graphs not currently present on the page.

If a slot contains a graph, the popup menu allows the graph to be removed or replaced with any graph not currently displayed on the page.

Selecting the **"+All"** button adds all available graphs to the page, up to the page capacity.

Additional pages can be created using the **"+"** button.

The layout control below **"+"** button specifies the layout applied to newly created pages.

The All section at the top left provides an option to apply a single unified layout to every page.



Advanced Page Layout

Close

Page Number

All1 ▶2 ▶3 ▶4 ▶5 ▶6 ▶+

LayoutWide ▶1x1 ▶2x2 ▶Wide ▶2x2 ▶XxY ▶Wide ▶Wide ▶

Graph

+All

+All

+All

+All

+All

+All

+All

G1 ▶

G2 ▶

Add ▶

G3 ▶

G4 ▶

G5 ▶

G6 ▶

G7 ▶

G8 ▶

Add ▶

G2 ▶

G4 ▶

G5 ▶

G8 ▶

G1 ▶

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G3 ▶

G4 ▶

G5 ▶

G6 ▶

G8 ▶

Add ▶



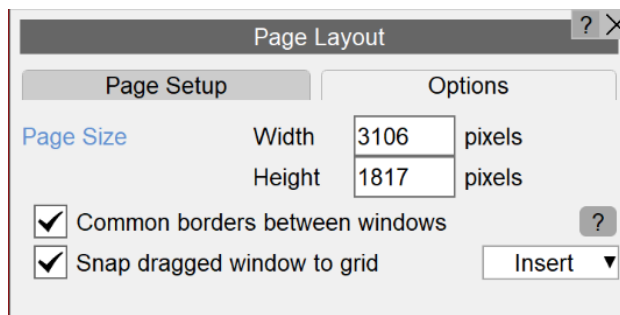
6.2.3. Page Options

Page Size

These options can be used to specify the total size of the area (in pixels) used by the graph windows.

More about [Common borders between windows](#)

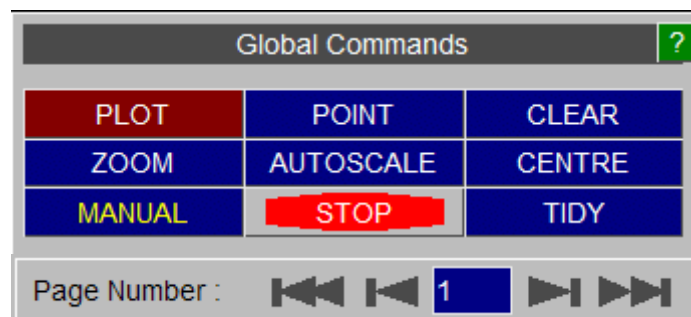
More about [snap dragged window to grid](#)





7. Global Commands and Pages

Global Commands and Pages



The following commands are to be found as buttons on the **GLOBAL MENU** panel. (The command line codes are given in parentheses.)

All of the commands in the GLOBAL MENU can also be accessed via the **PLOTTING** button at the top of the graphics window.

Page Number

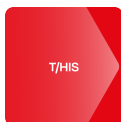
If T/HIS contains more than one graph ([see Creating Graphs](#)) then the graphs can be positioned on separate Pages within T/HIS. This menu can be used to select a specific page or it can be used to step through the pages one by one.

		Shortcut Key
	Goto Page 1	Home
	Go back 1 Page	Page Up
	Goto Page (n)	N/A
	Go back 1 Page	Page Down
	Goto Page 32	End

PLOT (PL)

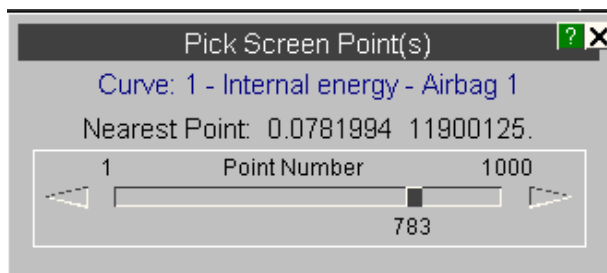
This option will plot all the curves that are currently UNBLANKED (see [Curve Manager](#)).

POINT (PT)



When selected this option waits for the user to pick a point in the main graphics screen.

Once a point has been picked the <x> and <y> values of the point picked are reported along with the ID of the nearest curve and the nearest point on that curve.



After a point has been selected on the screen the slider may be used to move to other points along the same curve.

CLEAR (CL)

Clears the graphics screen.

ZOOM (ZM)

The cursor appears on the screen and may be used to select the required plot area by choosing opposite corners of a box. The graphs are then replotted. Using **ZOOM** implicitly turns autoscaling off.

AUTOSCALE (AU)

Autoscales the plot size for all current unblanked curves in the graphics window and re-displays the plot.

CENTRE (CE)

Pick a point on the screen using the cursor to be the new plot centre. It affects the x/y offsets but not the scales.

MANUAL

Displays the online (HTML) version of the manual

STOP

Some operations, like reading a file containing many curves in to T/HIS, can take a long time. This button can be used to stop some long operations without having to exit from T/HIS.

TIDY



This option can be used to reset the menu layout to the default settings.

Additional Commands

A number of additional global commands exist in command line mode. These functions exist in screen menu mode within other menu levels.

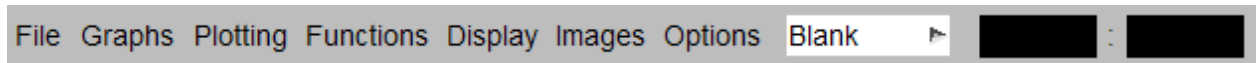
- (**PF**) Creates a postscript plot file. Either A4 landscape or A4 portrait formats may be chosen. A title and figure number are also requested. Other plot setting may be made in the command line mode **UTILITIES** menu.
- (**BL**) Blank a currently displayed curve.
- (**UB**) Unblank a curve that has been blanked.
- (**RM**) Remove (delete) a curve. Once a curve has been removed it is lost from the system.
- (**ER**) Erase (delete) all existing curves from T/HIS. (Equivalent to the command **RM * .**)
- (**GS**) Global status: displays the current number of curves, their labels and whether they are blanked.
- (**CO**) Condense: renumbers all curves to fill any gaps in curve numbers.
- (**LM**) Gives the current program limits.
- (**FT**) File tracking: lists the 20 files which have been accessed most recently by T/HIS, giving details of the type of file and whether it was read from or written to.
- (**EX**) Exits (leaves) the program.



8. Other Options

8.1. Tool Bar

Tool Bar



The tool bar is located across the top of the main T/HIS window and provides easy access to all of the main T/HIS menus from a series of drop down menus. In addition to the menus the drop down menus also allow a number of items to be changed dynamically and it provides a constant feedback of the cursor position within the graph area.

Each graph window contains its own tool bar that provides a subset of the functions in the main toolbar (see [Graph Tool Bar](#)).

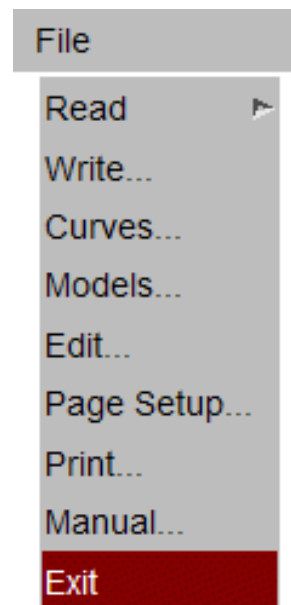


8.1.1. File

File

The File drop down menu can be used to access the following menus.

Read	see READ Options for more details.
Write	see WRITE Options for more details.
Curve Manager	see Curve Manager for more details.
Model Manager	see Select for more details.
Edit	see EDIT Options for more details
Page Setup	This option is only available on PC's and can be used to access the standard Windows Page Setup menu.
Print	This option is only available on PC's and can be used to access the standard Windows Print menu.
Manual	Displays this manual.



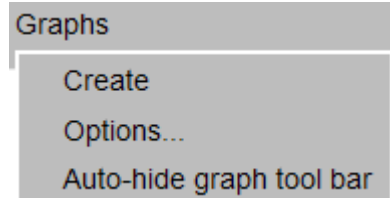


8.1.2. Graphs

Graphs

The Graphs drop down menu can be used to create new graphs and to change layout options.

Create	Create a new graph, see Creating Graphs for more details.
Options...	Modify graph layout options, see Creating Graphs for more details.
Auto-hide graph tool bar	This option can be used to automatically hide the tool bar, see Graph Tool Bar , at the top of each graph window.



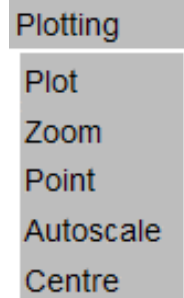


8.1.3. Plotting

Plotting

The Plotting drop down menu can be used to access the following plotting commands.

Plot	see PLOT for more details.
Zoom	see ZOOM for more details.
Point	see POINT for more details.
Autoscale	see AUTOSCALE for more details.
Centre	see CENTRE for more details.



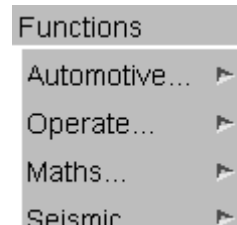


8.1.4. Functions

Functions

The Functions drop down menu can be used to access all of the curve functions.

Automotive	see AUTOMOTIVE Options for more details.
Operate	see OPERATE Options for more details.
Maths	see MATHS Options for more details.
Seismic	see SEISMIC Options for more details.



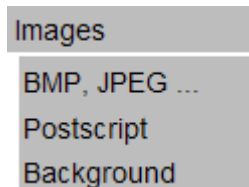


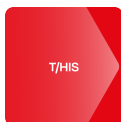
8.1.5. Images

Images

The Images drop down menu can be used to save the current displayed graphs as an image in a number of formats. In addition to saving an image this menu can also be used to read in an image that is used as the background for each graph.

BMP, JPEG...	Capture the image as a bitmap or JPEG, see BMP , JPEG... for more details.
Postscript	Generate a Postscript or PDF image, see Postscript for more details.
Background	This option can be used to set an image as the background for each graph, see Background for more details.



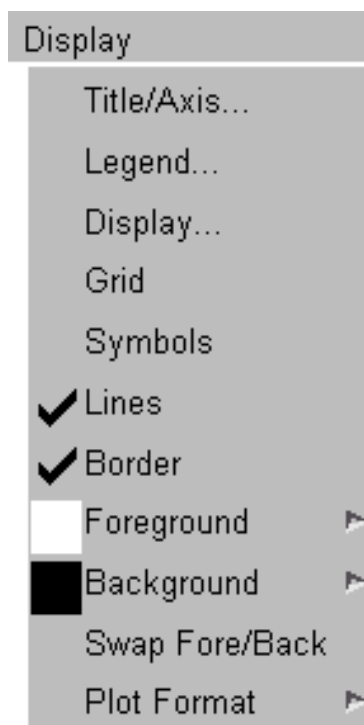


8.1.6. Display

Display

The Display drop down menu can be used to access the Title/Axis and Display menus and to dynamically modify the appearance of graphs. This menu changes all of the currently active graphs (see [Active Graphs](#)).

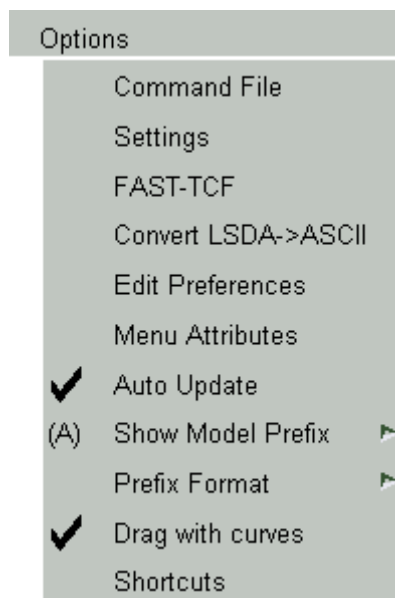
Title/Axis	see TITLE/AXES/LEGEND Options for more details.
Legend	see Legend for more details.
Display	see DISPLAY Options for more details.
Grid	Turns the grid on/off, see GRID for more details.
Symbols	Turns graph symbols on/off, see SYMBOLS for more details.
Lines	Turns graph lines on/off, see LINE STYLES for more details.
Border	Turns the plot border on/off, see BORDER for more details.
Foreground	Sets the foreground colour, see FOREGROUND for more details.
Background	Sets the background colour, see BACKGROUND for more details.
Swap Fore/Back	Swaps the current foreground and background colours, see Swap Foreground/Background for more details.
Plot Format	Set the current plot format, see Layout for more details.





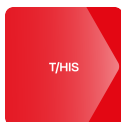
8.1.7. Options

Options



The Options drop down menu can be used to access all the following functions.

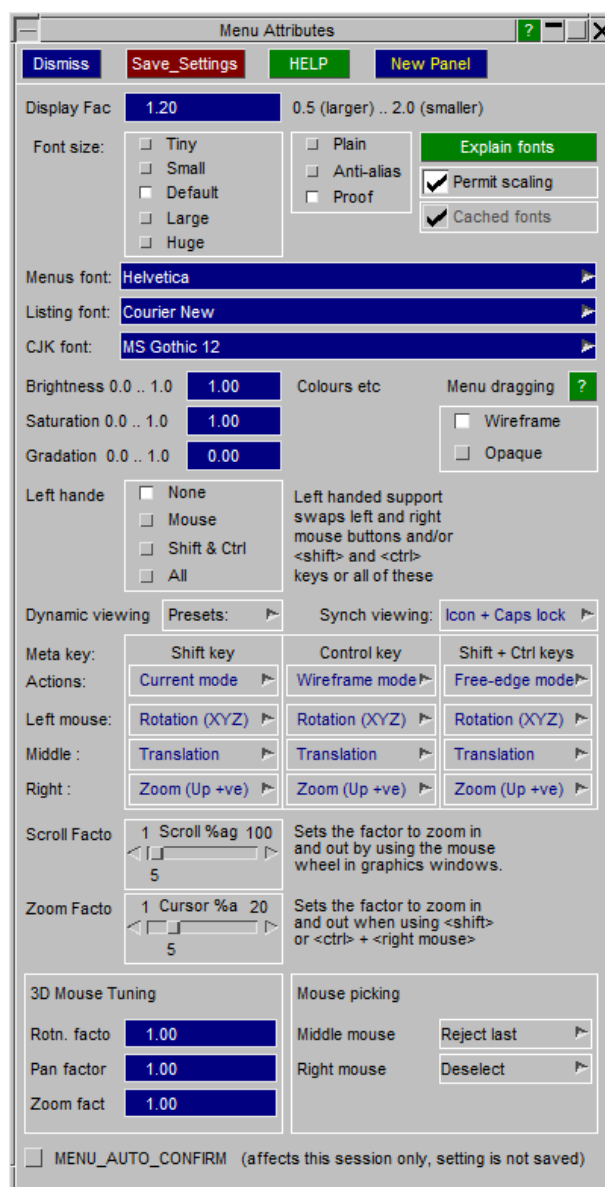
Command File	see Command / Session Files for more details.
Settings	Change data sources and other settings, see SETTINGS for more details.
FAST-TCF	Generate/playback FAST-TCF scripts, see FAST-TCF Options for more details.
Convert LSDA>ASCII	Convert a LSDA binout file to ASCII, see Convert Binout for more details.
Edit Preferences	Displays the preference editor, see Preferences for more details.
Menu Attributes	Modify menu fonts, size and colours, see MENU Attributes for more details.
Auto Update	Turn on/off automatic update.
Show Model Prefix	Turn the model prefix on/off or set it to automatic, see Curve Labels for more details.
Prefix Format	Select the prefix format displayed for each model. See Prefix Format Options for more details.



- Drag with curves Turn on/off the display of curves when dragging axis borders and legends. On some slow machines the time taken to update the display when a large number of curves is displayed makes the dragging response too slow. This option will automatically turn off the display of curves while the dragging operation is active.
- Shortcuts Setup keyboard shortcuts for commonly used function, see section [Keyboard Shortcuts](#) for more details.

MENU Attributes

This panel allows you to tune the visual attributes of the screen menus within T/HIS and save them if you wish.



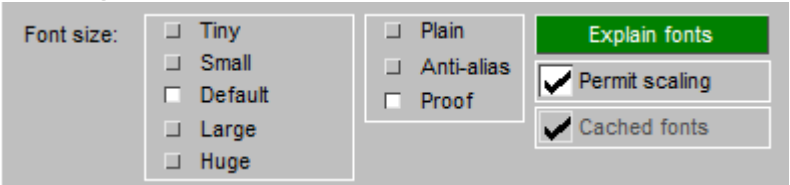
Display Factor



Lies in the range 0.5 to 2.0, default 1.0. Values < 1.0 reduce the apparent size of the screen so that menus and text become larger. Values > 1.0 act in the opposite sense. This is the simplest way of taking into account the display size.

Font Size, Quality and Scaling

On most displays the **Default** font size will give the best appearance in menu interface panels, but occasionally **Small** or **Large** fonts may look better. It is recommended that you set the Display Factor first in order to get the best overall layout on your display, then adjust the font size if necessary.



Font quality improvements were made for T/HIS 17.0, and on most displays **Proof** quality will look best. However on low resolution displays it may look a little fuzzy due to the anti-aliasing process, and **Anti-alias** (coarser) or **Plain** (not anti-aliased) may give a crisper result.

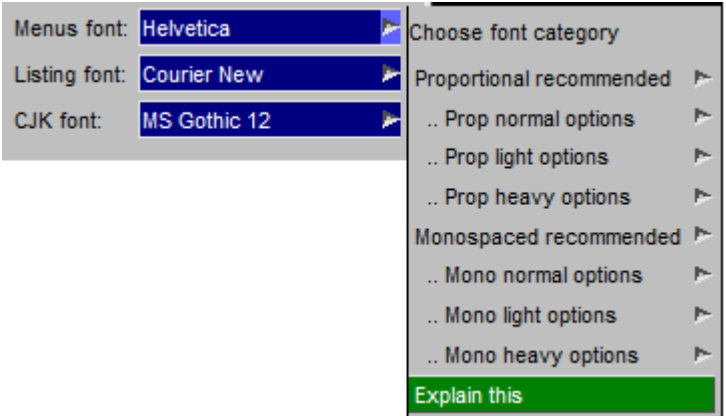
Font scaling (**Permit scaling**) can be useful when your choice of font is a bit too large for the buttons in the user interface, since it allows the default font size to be reduced where text would overflow the space in a button. However it can result in a mixture of font sizes in a panel, which might improve legibility but looks untidy, so it is generally better to choose a Display Factor and Font Size that work well together on your display, and turn Scaling off.

Cached fonts is an obscure setting that will only apply on Linux systems where the "core" X11 font package has not been loaded, and the software reverts to cached bitmaps. If you have font problems on Linux please contact Oasys Ltd Support for advice and help.

Font selection

Historically T/HIS only provided Helvetica, Times and Courier fonts, but from T/HIS 17.0 a wider range of fonts has been made available.

The default for the User interface is still Helvetica for menu panels (the "Menus font") and Courier





for listings (the "Listing font"), but you can use the popup menus to select from any of the fonts on your computer. The range of fonts available will depend both on the operating system and what has been installed, but typically there can be many. To try to make the choice manageable these are separated into

Proportionally spaced fonts, where character width varies. This is preferred for GUI panels with buttons.

Monospaced fonts, where each character width is the same. This is preferred for text listings.

Within each category fonts are also sorted by weight, with "normal" being the most commonly used. "Light" options tend to be narrower, permitting more characters to fit in a button, "Heavy" options tend to use bold text, and can be useful when using very large fonts - perhaps on a projector or when setting up the user interface for someone who is visually impaired.

Brightness

Lies in the range 0.0 to 1.0, default 1.0. Controls the brightness of the menu interface only (it will not affect displayed graphics).

Saturation

Lies in the range 0.0 to 1.0, default 1.0. Controls the colour saturation of the menu interface. (Again it will not affect displayed graphics.)

Left Handed

The software uses mouse buttons and keyboard 'meta settings keys (<shift> & <control>) in a handed way that is set up by default for right-handed use. It is possible to configure either or both for left-handed use.

Save Settings

Once you have adjusted the above to your taste you can save these settings in your 'oa_pref' file for future use with the [Save_Settings](#) button. If you do not save settings they will be lost when this session exits.



8.1.8. Quick Pick

Quick Pick

The Quick Pick menu can be used to perform many common curve operations using just the mouse. The current "Quick Pick" mode is displayed on the tool bar and can be changed using the popup menu.

The current "Quick Pick" option can be applied to a single curve by selecting the curve using the left mouse button. Multiple curves can be selected by holding down the left mouse button and dragging out an area.

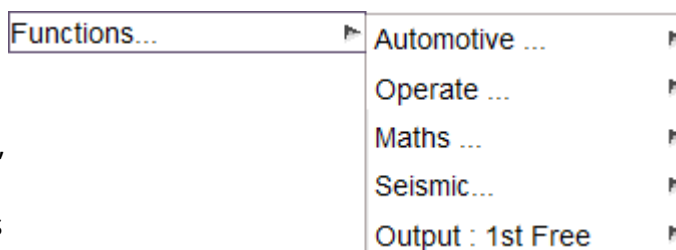
Some functions can be undone using the middle mouse button.



Functions...

This option can be used to select any of the curve operations (see [OPERATE Options](#) , [MATHS Options](#) , [AUTOMOTIVE Options](#) and [SEISMIC Options](#)) that have a single curve as input. In addition to selecting a

curve operation this menu can also be used to set the output curve for the curve operation to either the 1st free curve or to overwrite the input curve.

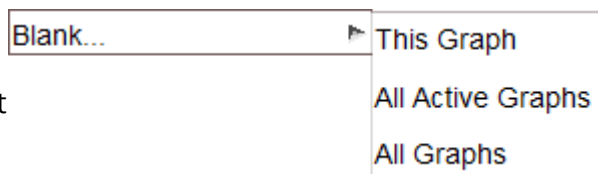


This option can be applied to multiple curves but it can not be undone.



Blank...

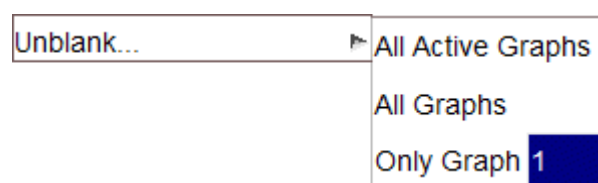
This option can be used to blank curves. The selected curves can be blanked in just the graph they were selected in, all the currently active graphs or all graphs.



This option can be applied to multiple curves and it can be undone using the middle mouse button.

Unblank...

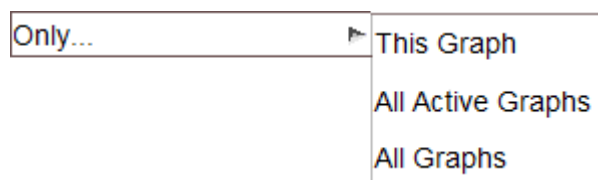
This option can be used to unblank curves. The selected curves can be unblanked in all the currently active graphs, all graphs or a individual graph can be specified.



This option can be applied to multiple curves and it can be undone using the middle mouse button.

Only...

This option can be used to blank all curves except for the selected ones. The selection can be applied to just the graph they were selected in, all the currently active graphs or all graphs.



This option can be applied to multiple curves and it can be undone using the middle mouse button.

Delete

This option can be used to delete curves. It can be applied to multiple curves but it can not be undone.

Properties...

This option will display the current properties for a curve (see [Properties...](#) for more details). If multiple curves are selected this option is only applied to the one with the lowest curve ID.



History...

This option can be used to view and edit the history of operations used to create a curve (see [Curve Histories ...](#) for more details).

Edit...

This option can be used to select a curve for editing (see [EDIT Options](#) for more details). If multiple curves are selected this option is only applied to the one with the lowest curve ID.

Edit Labels...

This option can be used to edit the label, title and axis labels for a curve (see [Edit Labels...](#) for more details) . If multiple curves are selected this option is only applied to the one with the lowest curve ID.

Colours...

This option can be used to change the colour of curves. This option can be applied to multiple curves and it can be undone using the middle mouse button.

Line Width...

This option can be used to change the line width of curves. This option can be applied to multiple curves and it can be undone using the middle mouse button.

Line Style...

This option can be used to change the line style of curves. This option can be applied to multiple curves and it can be undone using the middle mouse button.

Symbols...

This option can be used to change the symbol style of curves. This option can be applied to multiple curves and it can be undone using the middle mouse button.

Edit Curve in PRIMER...

This option can be used to send the load curves in the linked session of PRIMER, see [PRIMER: Synchronising with ...](#) for more details.



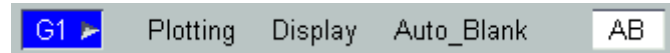
Edit Entity in PRIMER...

This option can be used to send the curve entities in the linked session of PRIMER, see [PRIMER: Synchronising with ...](#) for more details.



8.2. Graph Tool Bar

Graph Tool Bar





8.2.1. Graph Selection

Graph Selection



This option can be used to make a graph active or inactive, see [Active Graphs](#) for more details.



8.2.2. Plotting

Plotting

Plotting

This option provides the same functions as the [Plotting](#) menu in the main toolbar with the exception that the settings only apply to the graph in the window instead of all of the currently active graphs.



8.2.3. Display

Display

Display

This option provided the same functions as the [Display](#) menu in the main toolbar with the exception that the settings only apply to the graph in the window instead of all of the currently active graphs.



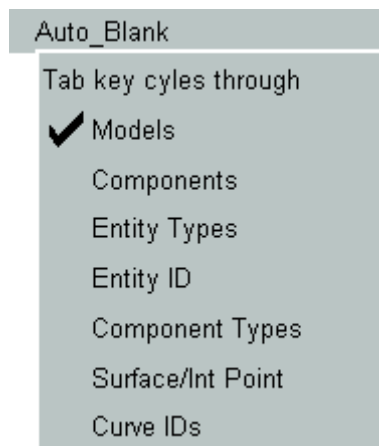
8.2.4. Auto_Blank

Auto_Blank

The **Auto_Blank** function can be used to blank and unblank curves in a graph using either the TAB key or SHIFT+TAB.

By default if you now press the TAB key in a graph T/HIS will automatically blank all the curves except for those belonging to model 1. If you press TAB a 2nd time you will just see the curve belonging to model 2, a third time model 3. When you reach the end of the models you have curves for pressing the TAB key loops back to model 1. If you press SHIFT+TAB then it goes the other way (model 3 > model 2 > model 1 > model 3)

Instead of blanking curves by model the behaviour of the TAB key can be changed.



Models	Default. Blanks curves by model ID.
Components	Blanks curves by component. e.g Node X Displacement > Node Y Displacement > Node Z Displacement > ...
Entity Types	Blanks curves by entity type e.g. Whole Model > Parts > Nodes > Solids > ...
Entity ID	Blanks curves by ID. e.g Node 1 and Solid 1 > Node 2 and Solid 2 >
Component Types	This is similar to Component except that it lumps all the displacement curves together then velocity so you get x,y,z and magnitudes. You will also get data for different entity types. So Energy would show things like Whole Model KE and Contact Energies.
Surface/Int Point	Blanks curves by surface or through thickness integration point. e.g Top > Middle > Bottom > Layer 1 > ...
Curves ID's	Blanks curves by ID



The default **Auto_Blank** mode can be modified using the preference file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details)

this*auto_blank_mode:



8.2.5. Curve Locking

Curve Locking



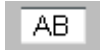
The **Lock** option works in a similar way to locking in PRIMER and D3PLOT. When the **Lock** button is pressed at the top of a graph, all currently blanked curves in that graph are locked from becoming visible, until they are unlocked. This allows the remaining unlocked curves to be manipulated without unblanking any of the locked curves. This includes the use of the shortcut keys 'u', 'r' and 'b'. Locking can also be set via the Curve Table using the graph buttons (see [Table](#) for more details).

Once the **Lock** button is pressed, a popup is attached, providing the option to either unlock the curves in that graph or **Unfreeze All**. 'Freezing' is the equivalent of locking for visible curves, so once a curve is frozen, it will stay visible until unfrozen. This can be set using Quick Pick, the Curve Manager or the Curve Table.



8.2.6. AB

AB



This option can be used to turn and off the Auto Blank option. The default setting for this option can be modified using the preference file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details)

`this*auto_blank:`



8.3. CURVE INFORMATION

CURVE INFORMATION

Pressing the right mouse button while in the graphics window will display a popup menu listing the ID, label and the data source of the nearest curve.

When data is read from either one of the Ansys LS-DYNA output files T/HIS will store the ID and type of the entity that the data applies to. If the curve label is modified this data will remain unchanged so that the curve source can still be identified.

If a curve has been read in from another source then T/HIS will report the data source as being UNKNOWN.

If a curve is created from another curve using one of the T/HIS curve operations then the data source for the new curve will be copied from the original curve. If the operation uses more than one curve as input then the data source information will only be copied to the new curve if all of the input curves had the same data source.

Edit Points... will open the Curve Editor for the selected curve, allowing points to be added, deleted or changed individually. If the curve is an equation curve (see [Equation](#)), then there will also be an **Edit Equation...** option present, allowing the equation to be updated and overwrite the original curve.

The **Colour**, **Line Width**, **Line Style** and **Symbol** pop-up menus





8.3.1. Properties...

Properties...

This option displays a number of properties for a curve including minimum and maximum values, average and RMS value.

Xmin	0.0000000	
Xmax	0.0998993	
Ymin	0.0000000	@ X = 0.0000000
Ymax	1217170.8	@ X = 0.0479982
RMS	343394.38	
Average	271682.56	



8.3.2. Edit Labels...

Edit Labels...

This option can be used to change the title, tag, line label and axis labels for a curve.

Line Label	Accel mag - Node 1348
Title	LG09 : LARGE TEST 9: BELTED SLE
X-Axis	Time
Y-Axis	Acceleration
Tag	
Apply	



8.3.3. Functions...

Functions...

The Functions popup menu can be used to access any of the curve operations that take a single curve as the only input. As well as applying an operation to a curve this menu can also be used to select between:

- Overwriting the input curve with the output from each function
- Writing the output to the 1st unused curve

Automotive ...	▶
Operate ...	▶
Maths ...	▶
Seismic...	▶
Output : 1st Free	▶



8.4. Curve Histories...

Curve Histories...

Internally T/HIS knows about all of the operations used to create a curve and the order that the operations were applied. In addition to knowing the operations used to create each curve T/HIS also knows which curves were used as inputs to operations that created other curves.

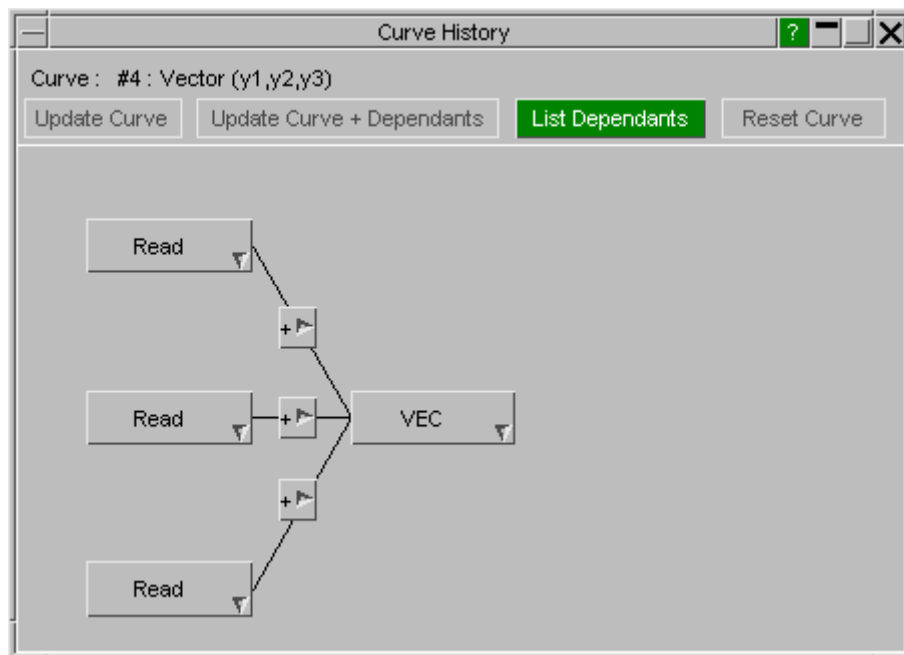


8.4.1. Viewing

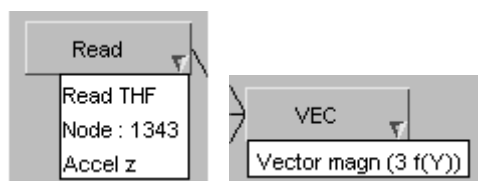
Viewing

When a curve is selected and the curve history is displayed, a floating window will be displayed that shows all of the operations used to create a curve.

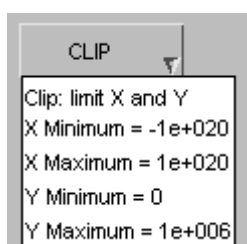
In the example below, 3 items were read in and then combined using the **VEC** operation.



More information on each part of the curve history can be obtained by moving the mouse across each operation.



If a curve operation has one or more inputs that are not curves then the hover text will display all of the inputs along with their values.





8.4.2. Modifying

Modifying

As well as viewing the operations used to create a curve the operations can also be modified by right clicking on them.

For a **READ** operation, the entity ID can be changed to any other ID of the same entity type. T/HIS will automatically check if results are available for the new ID and display a warning if they are not.

Read :	THF	Disp x	RVel y
Type :	Node	Disp y	RVel z
ID :	1343	Disp z	RVel mag
Component :	Accel z	Disp mag	RAcc x
		Vel x	RAcc y
		Vel y	RAcc z

As well as changing the entity ID the data component can also be modified by selecting a different component in the popup menu.

If a curve operation has one or more inputs that are not curves then right clicking on the operation will display a popup menu that will allow all of the values to be modified.

As well as changing the inputs to existing curve operations it is also possible to change a curve operation to any other curve operation that has the same number of input curves.

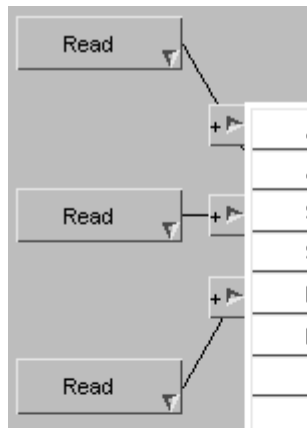
Right clicking on the popup symbol next to the name of the current curve operation will display a menu containing a list of all of the curve

8.4.3. Inserting New Operations

Inserting New Operations

New operations can be inserted into the chain of curve operations by right-clicking on one of the + symbols between the existing operations.

The popup menu that is displayed will contain all of the curve operations that take a single curve as input and produce a single output curve.



ADD (y)	SQR	BUT
ADD (x)	SIN	FIR
SUB (y)	COS	3ms CLIP
SUB (x)	TAN	EXC
MUL (y)	ASIN	VC
MUL (x)	ACOS	REG
DIV (y)	ATAN	ACU
DIV (x)	LOG	VC2
INT	EXP	BUTP
DIF	** N	UNITS
SMO	LOG10	JavaScript
LSQ	LOG(x)	
SQR	LOG10(x)	
NOR (y)	DV	
REC	DA	
ABS	VD	
TRA	VA	
REV	AD	
CLIP	AV	
ZERO	DS	
ORDER	RS	
VWINDOW	C60	
R-AVE	C180	
NOR (x)	C600	
MON	C1000	



8.4.4. Update Curve

Update Curve

Update Curve

If any of the operations used to create a curve are modified or if a new operation is inserted then this option can be used to automatically update the curve. T/HIS will automatically rebuild the curve using the updated set of curve operations and will replace the old curve with the new one.



8.4.5. Update Curve Dependants

Update Curve + Dependants

Update Curve + Dependants

This option will update the selected curve and any dependant curves. As T/HIS stores all of the operations used to create every curve, it knows if a curve has been used as an input to any other curves.

The selected curve will be automatically rebuilt and replaced with the new curve, and then any curves that use the selected curve as an input will also be rebuilt and replaced.



8.4.6. List Dependants

List Dependants

List Dependants

This option will display a list containing any curves that have been created which use the currently selected curve as an input somewhere in their chain of curve operations.



8.4.7. Reset Curve

Reset Curve

Reset Curve

This option can be used to reset all of the curve operations used to create a curve if any of them have been modified.



8.5. Keyboard Shortcuts

Keyboard Shortcuts

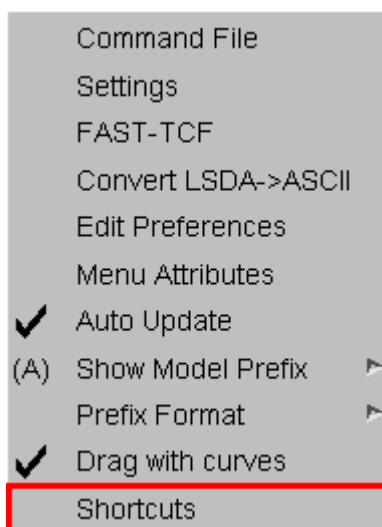
Some panels and actions can be accessed through pre-programmed shortcuts and from T/HIS 9.4 onwards the keys they are assigned to are customisable.

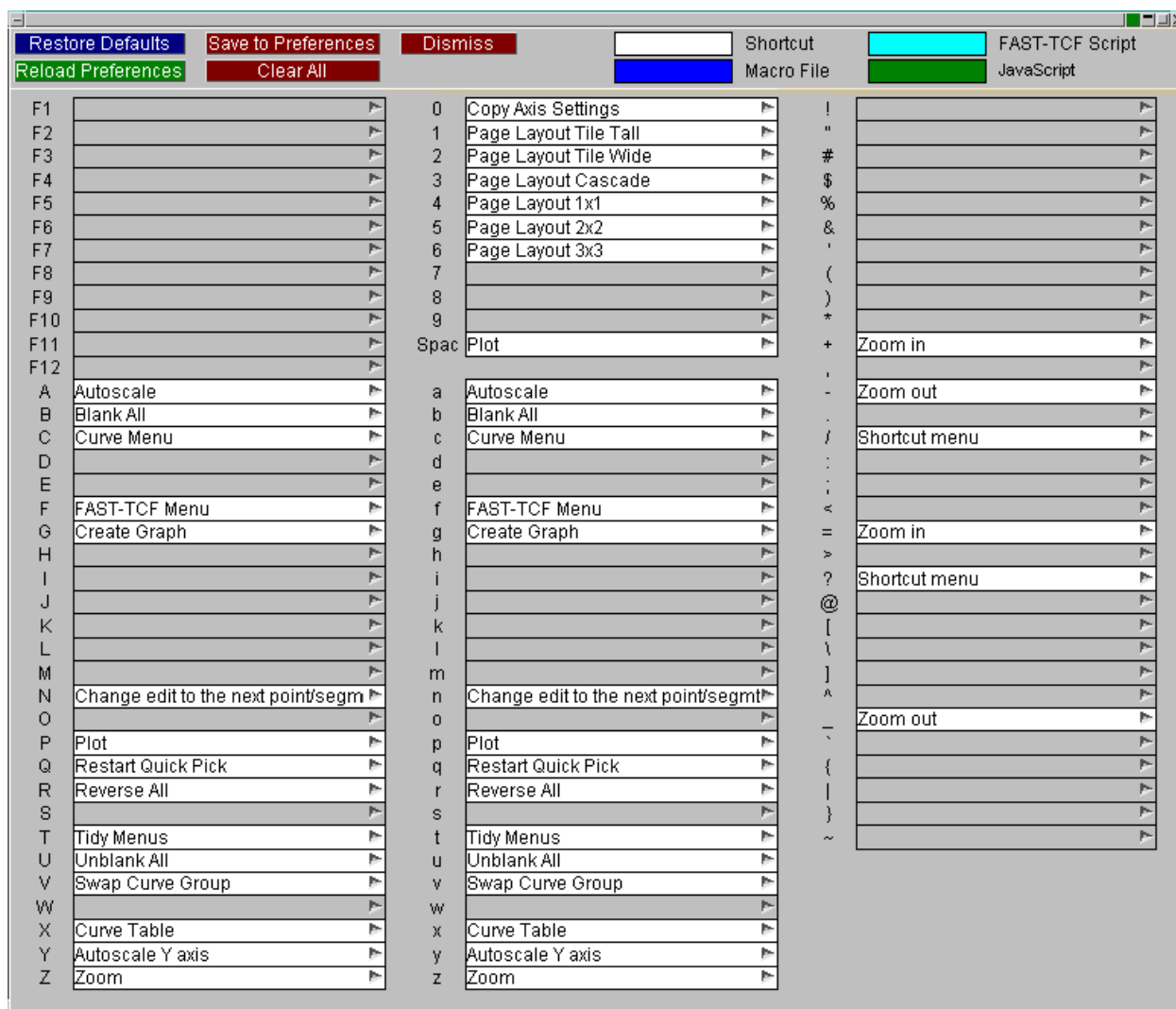
From T/HIS 9.4 onwards a number of new pre-programmed shortcuts have been added, including the top menu panels and window layout options. In addition to these pre-programmed shortcuts Macros and FAST-TCF scripts can also be assigned to a key.

A listing of the available shortcuts and the keys they are assigned to can be brought up by pressing the '?' key (by default) or accessing it through the Options top menu.

This will bring up a panel, from which you may assign the shortcuts, Macros and FAST-TCF scripts to the keys. Note that upper and lower case letters can be assigned different shortcuts.

A list of all the available pre-programmed shortcuts is given at the end of this section with their default key(s) if assigned.





At the top of the panel you will see the following buttons.

Restore Defaults

Restores the shortcuts to their default keys, removing any shortcuts assigned by the user.

Save to Preferences

Saves the shortcuts to the oa_pref file in the home directory. They are saved in the format "this*A_key: AUTOSCALE" where the first part defines which key the shortcut is assigned to and the second part is the shortcut being assigned. Each shortcut has a specific name to use in the oa_pref file, and a list is given below.

When T/HIS is started this is read and the saved shortcuts are restored.



Reload Preferences

Reloads the shortcuts from the oa_pref file in the home directory.

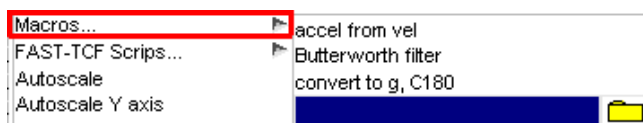
Clear All

Clears all the shortcuts on the panel.

To assign a shortcut, click on the popup next to the key you want to assign it to. This will bring up a list of all available shortcuts in T/HIS as well as the option to assign Macros or FAST-TCF scripts.

F1		Clear	Preferences Menu
F2		Macros...	Groups Menu
F3		FAST-TCF Scripts...	Page Layout Menu
F4		JavaScripts...	Command Files
F5		Autoscale	Units Menu
F6		Autoscale Y axis	JavaScript Menu
F7		Zoom	Datum Menu
F8		Zoom in	Measure Menu
F9		Zoom out	Restart Quick Pick
F10		Plot	Create Graph
F11		Blank All	Tidy Menus
F12		Unblank All	Tidy Graphs
A	Autoscale	Reverse All	Tidy menus and Graphs
B	Blank All	Read Menu	Swap Curve Group
C	Curve Menu	Write Menu	Copy Axis Settings
D	Datum Menu	Curve Menu	Change edit to the next point/segment
E		Curve Table	Shortcut menu
F	FAST-TCF Menu	Model Menu	Page Layout Tile Tall
G	Create Graph	Edit Menu	Page Layout Tile Wide
H		Style Menu	
I		Curve Properties Menu	Page Layout 1x1
J	JavaScript Menu	Image Menu	Page Layout 2x2
K		Operate Menu	Page Layout 3x3
L		Maths Menu	Quick find textbox
M	Measure Menu	Automotive Menu	Swap Fore/Back colour
N	Change edit to the next point/segment	Seismic Menu	
O		Macros Menu	
P	Plot	FAST-TCF Menu	
Q	Restart Quick Pick	Title/Axes Menu	
R	Reverse All	Display Menu	
S		Settings Menu	

To assign a Macro, FAST-TCF script or JavaScript a to a key, click on **Macros...**, **FAST-TCF Scripts...** or **JavaScripts...**





This will bring up another popup from which you can select the Macro or script. The popup will contain a list of scripts that T/HIS has picked up from the \$OA_INSTALL and \$OA_HOME directory. If the script you want is not in this list you can browse for it by clicking on the folder icon.



The listing of assigned keys is colour coded to easily distinguish between pre-programmed shortcuts (white), FAST-TCF scripts (light-blue), Macros (dark-blue) and JavaScripts (dark-green)

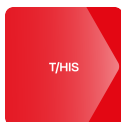
Pre-programmed Shortcuts:

Defaults shown in bold, oa_pref name shown in brackets

View Controls	
A/a - Autoscale (AUTOSCALE)	Autoscale Y axis (Y_AUTOSCALE)
P/p - Plot (PLOT)	[SPACE] - Plot (PLOT)
Z/z - Zoom (ZOOM)	"+" / "=" - Zoom in (ZOOM_IN)
"-" / "_" - Zoom out (ZOOM_OUT)	
Blanking	
B/b - Blank All (BLANK)	R/r - Reverse curve blanking (REVERSE)
U/u - Unblank all curves (UNBLANK)	
Menus	
Automotive Menu (AUTOMOTIVE_MENU)	Command Files Menu (CFILE_MENU)
C/c - Curve Menu (CURVE_MENU)	Curve Properties Menu (PROP_MENU)
Curve Table (CURVE_TABLE)	Display Menu (DISPLAY_MENU)
Edit Menu (EDIT_MENU)	Groups Menu (GROUPS_MENU)
Image Menu (IMAGE_MENU)	F/f - FAST-TCF Menu (FAST_TCF_MENU)
Macros Menu (MACROS_MENU)	Maths Menu (MATHS_MENU)
Model Menu (MODEL_MENU)	Operate Menu (OPERATE_MENU)
Page Layout Menu (PAGE_MENU)	Preferences Menu (PREF_MENU)
Read Menu (READ_MENU)	Shortcut Menu (SHORTCUT)
Seismic Menu (SEISMIC_MENU)	Settings Menu (SETTINGS_MENU)
Style Menu (STYLE_MENU)	Title/Axes Menu (TITLE_MENU)



Units Menu (UNITS_MENU)	Write Menu (WRITE_MENU)
Page Layout	
1 - Page Layout Tile Tall (TILE_TALL)	2 - Page Layout Tile Wide (TILE_WIDE)
3 - Page Layout Tile Cascade (CASCADE)	4 - Page Layout Tile 1x1 (LAYOUT_1X1)
5 - Page Layout Tile 2x2 (LAYOUT_2X2)	6 - Page Layout Tile 3x3 (LAYOUT_3X3)
Miscellaneous	
G/g - Create a new graph Window (NEW_WINDOW)	T/t - Tidy Menus (TIDY_MENUS)
V/v - Change Curve Picking Group (CURVE_GROUP)	Q/q - Swap to Quick Pick (QUICK_PICK)
PAGE UP - Next Page	PAGE DOWN - Previous Page
HOME - First Page	END - Last Page
Change edit to next point (EDIT_NEXT)	0 - Copy Axis Settings (COPY_AXIS)



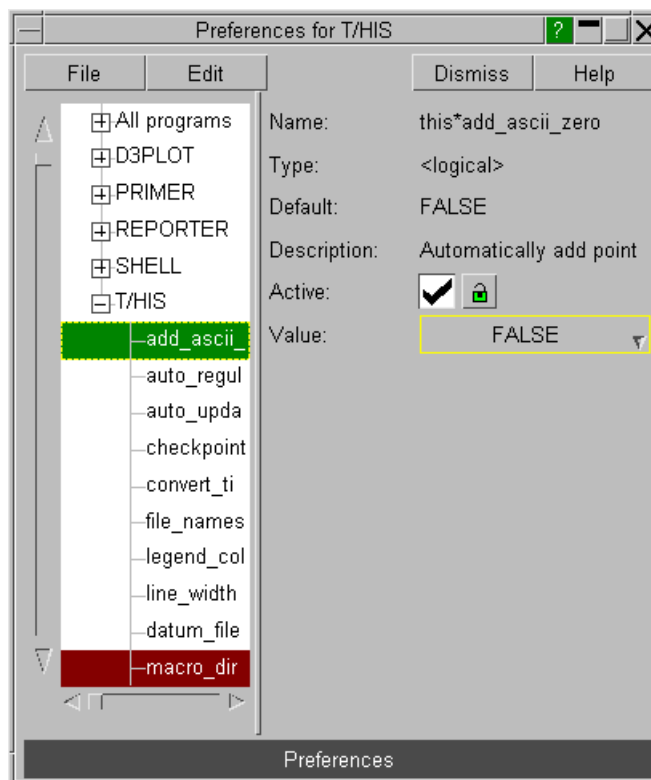
8.6. Preferences

Preferences

The Preference menu provides an interactive editor for setting options for T/HIS in the `oa_pref` preference file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details on the `oa_pref` file/options).

The preferences editor reads an XML file that contains all possible preferences and their valid options, and allows you to change them at will. In this example the user is changing the background colour in T/HIS.

Note that changes made in the Preferences editor will not affect the current session of T/HIS, they will only take effect the next time it is run.





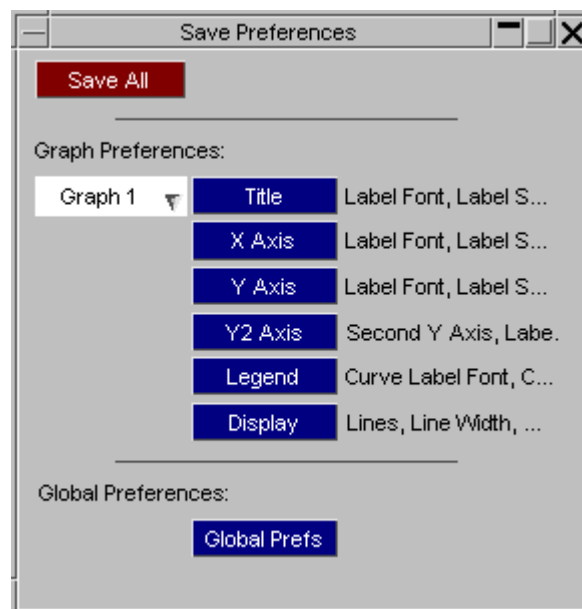
8.6.1. Save Preferences Popup

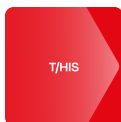
Save Preferences Popup

The Save Preferences menu allows a means to quickly save graph properties straight to the oa_pref file.

The popup works by reading the graph (defaults to Graph 1) properties to take preferences from. When a save button is pressed (**Title**, **X Axis**, **Y Axis**, etc..), the menu will look for changes to the relevant preferences and print those preferences to the oa_pref file.

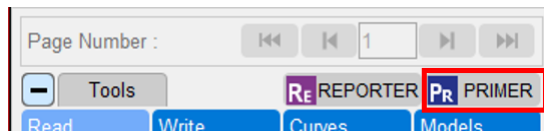
For example, by pressing on **Display** will save (most of) the options setup in the Display menu from the specified graph into your oa_pref file.





8.7. PRIMER: Synchronising with PRIMER

PRIMER: Synchronising with PRIMER



T/HIS can be synchronised with PRIMER using a shared memory link. This means that a post-processing model that is open in T/HIS can have its corresponding keyword file open in PRIMER, and information can be exchanged between the two programs.

By default, no link takes place, but it can be opened in any of the following ways:

- A running T/HIS session starts a new PRIMER session using the stipulated model.
- A running PRIMER session starts a new T/HIS session using the stipulated model.
- Once a link is established, in either of the modes above, further models can be opened and linked at will.

The link is symmetrical and bi-directional, with no concept of parent or child, and it can be closed at any time leaving both programs running autonomously. What you **can't** do at present is to link an autonomous, already running, T/HIS or PRIMER session with another autonomous session.



8.7.1. The PRE panel

The PRE panel

When running linked with PRIMER the Pre panel (invoked by pressing the PRIMER button) shows the current status of the link. In this example we have four models open in T/HIS, and in this example:

- Models 1 and 2 are currently open in PRIMER
- Model 3 is not open in PRIMER, but a keyword file has been found automatically.
- Model 4 is also not open in PRIMER, and T/HIS has not found a keyword file automatically.

The file open/close options are

Option	Status of model	Action performed
Add to PRIMER	Not linked	T/HIS has found a keyword file automatically, add this model to PRIMER
Find KW file	Not linked	T/HIS cannot find a keyword file, browse for a filename manually
Disconnect	Linked	Model is linked with PRIMER session, disconnect it

There is a corresponding Post panel in PRIMER, with the same layout and functionality.

Effects of linking and unlinking models

In all cases:

- Linking or disconnecting a model does not affect that model's status in either programme, both T/HIS and PRIMER will continue to run normally.
- Models may be disconnected and reconnected at will.
- When a model is deleted in T/HIS it is implicitly disconnected in PRIMER, but will not be deleted from PRIMER. Similarly, if a model is deleted in PRIMER it will be disconnected from T/HIS, but not deleted.
- The link logic attempts to keep model numbers the same in both PRIMER and T/HIS, however it is possible to defeat this by opening additional models in one programme but not the other. Doing so may cause the link to fail in some respects (so it is not recommended!).

The PRE panel can be opened or closed at will without affecting the status of linked models, it simply provides feedback about the current status and attributes of linked models.



Pre-Processor

4 model(s), 3 with keyword files found, 2 open

M1	Keyword file available	Disconnect
M2	Keyword file available	Disconnect
M3	Keyword file available	Add to PRIMER
M4	Keyword file not found	Find KW file



8.7.2. Locating keyword deck in T/HIS

Locating keyword deck in T/HIS

T/HIS can automatically locate an associated Ansys LS-DYNA keyword file to load in a linked PRIMER session. Model name is written to the ztf file and if this model exists then it is auto-loaded in PRIMER. If the .ztf file is missing, the approach depends on filename convention:

If you use the Ansys / LST results filename convention (d3thdt, xtf):

- T/HIS looks to see if there is a single Ansys LS-DYNA keyword file (.key/.k/.kby or a .gz/.zip variant thereof) in the working directory and auto-loads it in PRIMER.

If you use the ARUP results filename convention (.thf, .xtf):

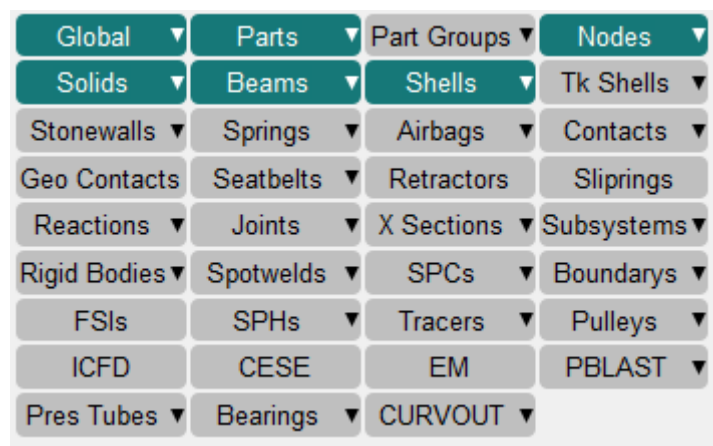
- T/HIS looks to see if a [job].thf has been loaded. If yes, T/HIS looks for a matching [job].key/.k/.kby or a .gz/.zip variant thereof.
- If a [job].thf is not found, T/HIS tries a similar logic with a potential [job].xtf file.
- Failing all of that, T/HIS looks to see if there is a single Ansys LS-DYNA keyword file in the working directory.
- The final fall-back, as always, is for you to manually select an input deck to load in PRIMER.



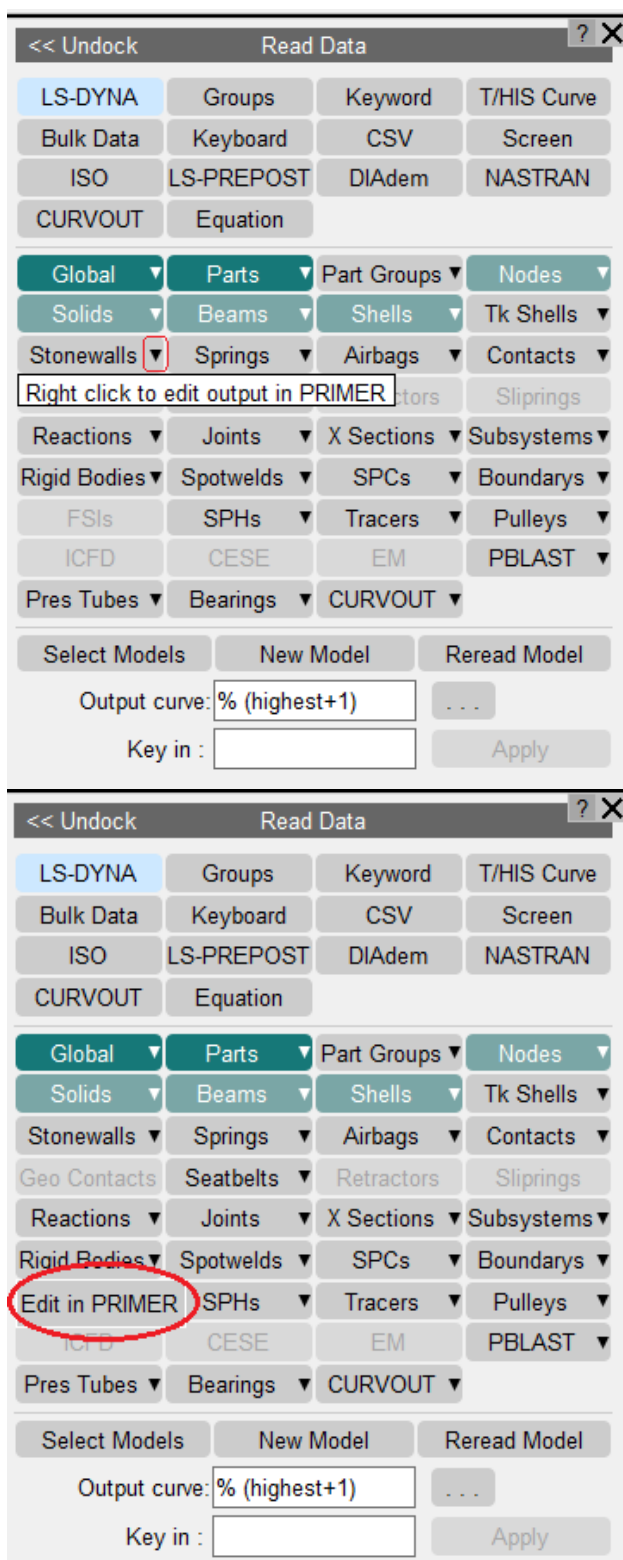
8.7.3. Highlight output database cards in PRIMER

Highlight output database cards in PRIMER

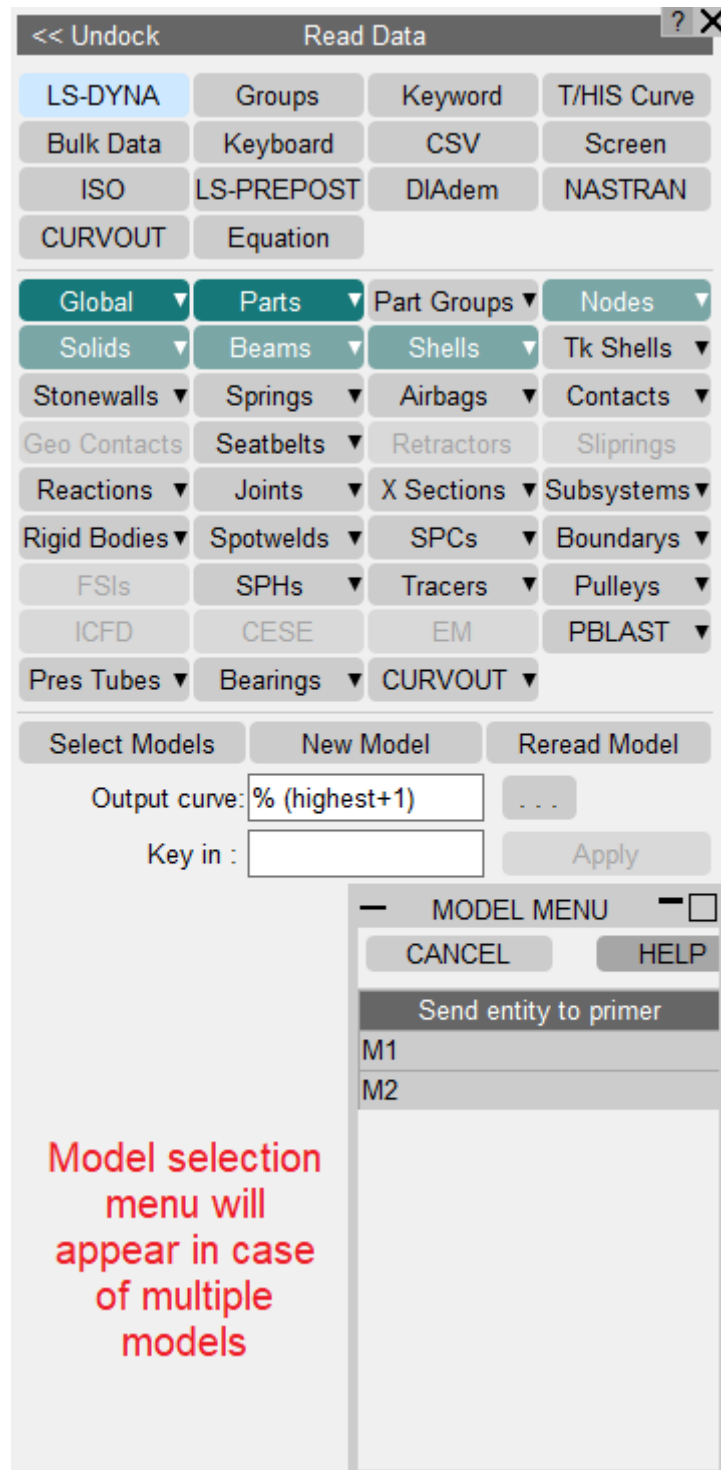
Most of the entity buttons in the Read Data panel have a dropdown option. If you click on an entity with right mouse button , an **Edit in PRIMER** option will be displayed. This option will open PRIMER (if it is not linked already) and will highlight the database cards required for this specific entity. You can turn on the required database cards with relevant values and use them in your next Ansys LS-DYNA run to get results related to that specific entity in T/HIS. PRIMER will always highlight the database cards for entities in the same order as they are clicked in T/HIS. For more reference, see the images mentioned below.



Hover text and Popup option are shown in the below images.



This feature is also available for multiple models. In case of multiple models, after you click on "Edit in PRIMER", a model selection menu will be mapped which will give you a choice to select the model for which you want database cards to be highlighted. The model menu is shown in the image below.



After model selection, PRIMER will open and highlight the required database cards. You need to turn on the database cards with relevant values so that these values can be used in the next Ansys LS-DYNA run.



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EDIT DATABASE_<ascii option> in model 1

Create

Reset All

Check

Sketch

Only

List

Cancel

Copy In

X-Refs

Text Edit

Include: M1 <Master file>

DATABASE_(ASCII) in model 1

Modify selected 3.0E-5 1 0 0

PREF

XIF

All on/off	DT	BIN	LCUR	IOOPT	OPT1	OPT2	OPT3	OPT4
ABSTAT								
ATDOUT								
AVSFLT								
BEARING								
BNDOUT								
CURVOUT								
DCFAL								
DEFGEO								
DEFORC								
DESTAT								
DISBOU								
ELOU								
GCEOUT								
GLSTAT	1.0E-4	0	0	0				
H3OUT								
JNTFORC								
MATSUM								
MOVIE								
MPGS								
NCFORC								
NODFOR								
NODOUT								
PBSTAT								
PLLYOUT								
PRTUBE								
RBDOUT								
RCFORC								
RWIFORC								
SBTOUT								
SECFORC								
SLEOUT								
SPCFORC								
SPHOUT								
SSSTAT								
SWFORC								
TPRINT								
TRHIST								

Updating SSSTAT

Updating SSSTAT

Dimension tests de

EDIT DATABASE_<ascii option> in model 2

Create

Reset All

Check

Sketch

Only

List

Cancel

Copy In

X-Refs

Text Edit

Include: M2 <Master file>

DATABASE_(ASCII) in model 2

Modify selected 3.0E-5 1 0 0

PREF

XIF

All on/off	DT	BIN	LCUR	IOOPT	OPT1	OPT2	OPT3	OPT4
ABSTAT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
ATDOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
AVSFLT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
BEARING	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
BNDOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
CURVOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
DCFAL	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
DEFGEO	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
DEFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
DESTAT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
DISBOU	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
ELOU	2.0E-5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
GCEOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
GLSTAT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
H3OUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
JNTFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
MATSUM	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
MOVIE	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
MPGS	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
NCFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
NODFOR	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
NODOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0	0.0	0		
PBSTAT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
PLLYOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
PRTUBE	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
RBDOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
RCFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
RWIFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
SBTOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
SECFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
SLEOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
SPCFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
SPHOUT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
SSSTAT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
SWFORC	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
TPRINT	2.0E-5	3	0	0				
TRHIST	2.0E-5	3	0	0				

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8.7.4. Synchronising Operations

Synchronising Operations

Load curves and data can be exchanged across the link using the following methods. Like other [Quick Pick](#) commands this may be set as the current operations, or selected from a menu of choices (as shown here) in response to a right-click.



Edit Load Curve in PRIMER

Select one or more curve to send to PRIMER. The DEFINE_CURVE Edit panel is launched in the linked PRIMER session.



The DEFINE_CURVE Edit panel is shown with various settings and a data table. The panel includes a top toolbar with buttons like Grid, Autoscale, Xmin, Xmax, White Bgd., Lines, Zoom, Ymin, Ymax, Edit (drag), Symbols, Plot, Plot DYN, Incl scale & offs, and Include. Below the toolbar is a table with columns: LCID, SIDR, SFA, SFO, OFFA, OFFO, DATTYP, and LCINT. The main area contains a plot of 'Unknown_units' vs 'Unknown_units x 1.0E-3' and a table of points.

Point	X value	Y value
1	0.0	0.0
2	1.99373E-5	1.90735E-5
3	3.98746E-5	-1.5259E-5
4	5.98117E-5	8.01086E-5
5	7.97491E-5	4.95911E-5
6	9.96863E-5	-2.2125E-4
7	1.19623E-4	-1.564E-4
8	1.39561E-4	1.44958E-4
9	1.59498E-4	-1.6403E-4
10	1.79435E-4	-2.9373E-4

Edit Curve Entity in PRIMER



Select one or more curves to call up the corresponding Edit panel in PRIMER, so if for example you clicked on a curve that was an acceleration for a node you would get the NODE Editor in PRIMER or if you clicked on a contact force curve you would get the CONTACT Editor in PRIMER.

NID	X	Y	Z	TC	RC
3108	51.74641	29.944273	-170.28786	0	0



Abort modify	Restore original	Text edit
Update contact	Copy existing	Sketch Only
View xrefs	Check defn	Pen check

Include:

Modify contact M1/CONT23

Label:

Title:

Type:

SLAVE SIDE

SSTYP:Set type

SSID:Node set

SBOXID:Box id

SBOXID:Contact Vol.?

SFS:Penalty factor

SST:Thickness valu

SFST:Thickness fac

SPR:Force output flag

MASTER SIDE

MSTYP:Set type

MSID:Part id

MBOXID:Box id

MBOXID:Contact Vol.?

SFM:Penalty factor

MST:Thickness valu

SFMT:Thickness fa

MPR:Force output flag

Friction attributes

FS:Static friction

FD:Dynamic friction

DC:Fric Decay coef

VC:Viscous friction

VSF:Viscous fric fa

FSF:Coulomb fric fa

General attributes

VDC:Viscous dampi

BT:Birth time

DT:Death time

PENCHK:Small pen



8.8. REPORTER: Integrating with REPORTER

REPORTER: Integrating with REPORTER



T/HIS 17.0 onwards can be linked to REPORTER with a shared memory link, allowing reports to be interactively created and edited. For more information on this, see [REPORTER Integration](#).



8.9. Timeout Control

A configurable time limit can be set that determines when T/HIS will shut down automatically. The duration can be controlled through the OASYS_TIMEOUT environment variable. Set the value of OASYS_TIMEOUT environment variable to any positive integer (measured in seconds). Once this threshold is reached, the program exits in a safe manner.



9. Main Menu

Main Menu

— Read	Write	Curves	Models
Edit	Style	Properties	Images
Operate	Maths	Automotive	Seismic
Macros	FAST-TCF	Title/Axes	Display
Settings	Measure	Groups	Graphs
Command File	Units	JavaScript	Datum

The **MAIN MENU** provides access to a number of separate menus that perform most of the operations available within T/HIS from reading in data to producing postscript laser files.



9.1. Selecting Curves

9.1.1. Input Curves

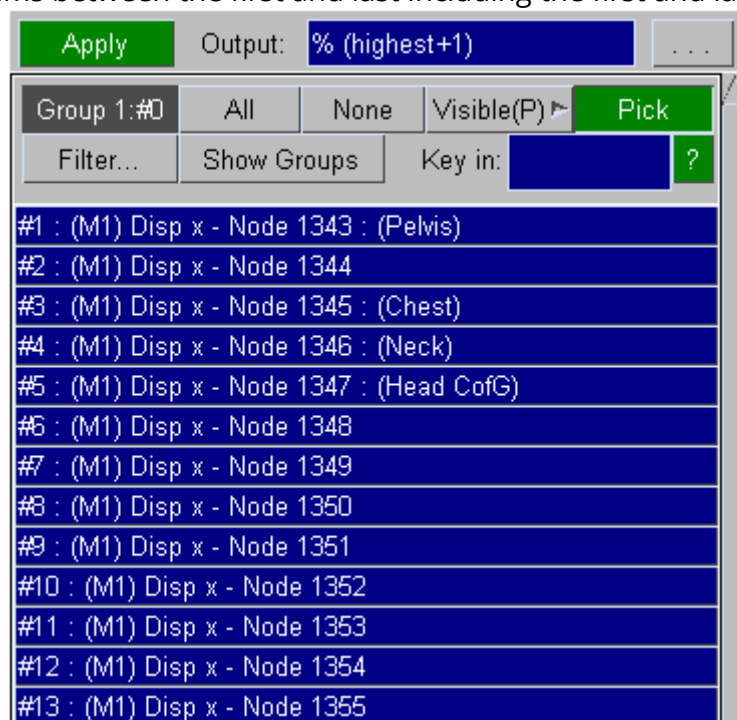
Input Curves

By Curve ID

A number of the menus require a range of curves to be selected. When a range of curves has to be selected a menu containing a list of the available curves will be displayed (see figure, below).

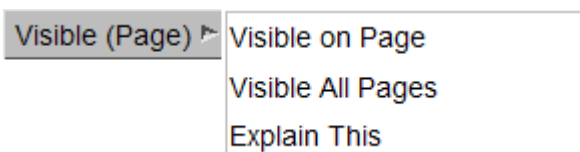
A range of curves may be selected by either

1. Click on the first item and hold down the mouse key, drag the mouse to the last item in the list. All items between the first and last including the first and last are selected.
2. Click on the first item, hold down the SHIFT key and click on the last item in the list. All items between the first and last including the first and last are selected.



VISIBLE (P)age

This option will select all of the curves that are unblanked in any graph on the current page.





VISIBLE (A)II Pages

This option will select all curves that are unblanked in at least one graph.

PICK

Alternatively curves may be picked from the screen. With this option the left mouse button is used to select curves while the right button deselects curves. As each curve is selected/deselected its name and number will be reported to the user and it will be highlighted on the screen.

A range of curves can be selected interactively by dragging out an area on the screen while holding down the left mouse button.

FILTER...

This option can be used to filter the list of curves displayed by model. When this option is selected a list containing all of the current models in T/HIS is displayed and the models can be selected or deselected. Any curves that belong to a deselected model will then be filtered out of the curve list.

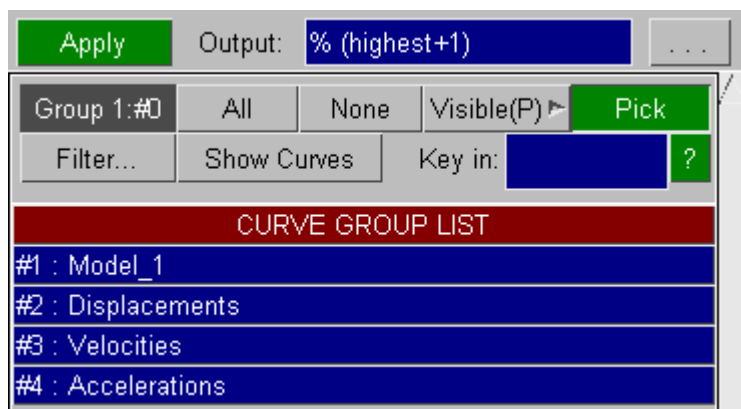
SHOW GROUPS

This option will display a list of the currently defined curve groups instead of curves

By Curve Group

In addition to selecting individual curves it is also possible to select curves by [Curve Group](#) if they have been defined.

- If a curve is defined in more than one group then it will be selected if at least one of the groups is selected.





- If more than one group containing the same curve is selected then the curve will only be counted once as an input curve.

By Command Line

In command line mode a single curve may be selected by typing in a range. A valid syntax is:

A single curve number	e.g. #27
A "from":"to" range	e.g. #10:#30 (no gaps, " : " mandatory)
A compound list in "(..)"	e.g. (#1 #2 #10:#30 #3 #97)

In all contexts the order in which a group is defined does NOT influence the order in which it is processed. It is ALWAYS processed in ascending sequential order.

Thus the addition operation

```
/OP ADD (#30 #20 #10) (#1 #2 #3) #40
```

will produce the results

```
#40 = #10 + #1
```

```
#41 = #20 + #2
```

```
#42 = #30 + #3
```



9.1.2. Output Curves

Output Curves

All operations that generate new curves must have a target curve defined. This must be one of the following:

- #**nnn** a specific curve number **nnn**
- # meaning "the lowest free curve"
- % meaning "the highest free curve"

In all cases output will start at the relevant curve number, however defined, and will rise sequentially with no gaps. This can cause an existing curve to be overwritten, or the output curve number to exceed the limit of 999. Both conditions are checked for: a warning is given if either will occur should the operation go ahead, and an opportunity given to modify or abort the pending operation.

There is a further output option that is only valid for operations where the input is a curve group:

- meaning "overwrite the input curve(s)"

In this case the input curves are overwritten without warning. For example, this option might be used to integrate a set of curves, overwriting the original results with the integrated values.

Any curve number between 1 and 999 may be used as an input or output curve. It is not necessary to use curves sequentially; gaps are permitted in curve number usage. Therefore curves #1 and #10 can be used, for example, without having to use the intervening curves #2 to #9. Likewise, deleting a curve will no longer cause those above it to be renumbered downwards to fill the gap.



9.1.3. Curve Operations

Curve Operations

The functions available fall into four distinct groups,

- 1) Separate functions involving two groups of curves, where the result is of the form:

$$\langle R_n \rangle = \langle G1_n \rangle [OP] \langle G2_n \rangle$$

- 2) Separate functions involving only one group of curves, where the result is of the form:

$$\langle R_n \rangle = [OP] \langle G1_n \rangle$$

- 3) Single output from only one group of curves, where the result is of the form:

$$\langle R \rangle = [OP] \langle G1(1...n) \rangle$$

- 4) Separate functions involving three groups of curves, where the result is of the form:

$$\langle R_n \rangle = \langle G1_n \rangle [OP] \langle G2_n \rangle [OP] \langle G3_n \rangle$$

Currently the only function that has 3 curves groups as input is the VEC operation

1) Separate Functions On Two Groups

These functions display a menu in which **two** groups of curves may be selected, (see right).

You must define one or more curves in group #1, and group #2 must be:

- either A group of as many curves as there are in group #1.
- or A single curve. Every curve in group #1 is applied to this curve.
- or A constant value, entered in the **Key in** : text box.



You can pick curves in either group from their menus, or type a range into the **Key in:** box.

NOTE : the order in which they are processed is ascending sequential, **not the order in which you define them .**

Apply Output: % (highest+1)

Group 1: #0 All None Visible(P) Pick

Filter... Show Groups Key in: ?

#1 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1343 : (Pelvis)
#2 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1344
#3 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1345 : (Chest)
#4 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1346 : (Neck)
#5 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1347 : (Head CofG)
#6 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1348
#7 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1349
#8 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1350
#9 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1351

Group 2: #0 All None Visible(P) Pick

Filter... Show Groups Key in: ?

#1 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1343 : (Pelvis)
#2 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1344
#3 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1345 : (Chest)
#4 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1346 : (Neck)
#5 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1347 : (Head CofG)
#6 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1348
#7 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1349
#8 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1350
#9 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1351

2) Separate Functions On A Single Group

These functions display a menu in which one group of curves may be selected, (see right).

Operations apply separately and uniquely to each selected curve.

As before, the order of processing is ascending sequential, not the order in which you define them.

Apply Output: % (highest+1)

Group 1: #0 All None Visible(P) Pick

Filter... Show Groups Key in: ?

#1 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1343 : (Pelvis)
#2 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1344
#3 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1345 : (Chest)
#4 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1346 : (Neck)
#5 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1347 : (Head CofG)
#6 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1348
#7 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1349
#8 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1350
#9 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1351
#10 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1352
#11 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1353
#12 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1354
#13 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1355



3) Single Output From A Single Group

These functions require a single group of curves as input like the functions above. The output is a single curve.



9.2. READ Options

READ Options

T/HIS can **READ** data from a number of sources including Ansys LS-DYNA binary output files, Ansys LS-DYNA ASCII files and tabulated x/y data files. In addition this menu allows data for new curves to be entered directly using the keyboard.



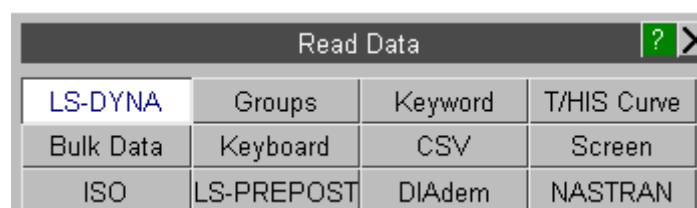
9.2.1. Ansys LS-DYNA

Ansys LS-DYNA

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Users are strongly advised to run each Ansys LS-DYNA analysis in a separate directory. Some of the default names for the files generated by Ansys LS-DYNA that T/HIS can read are not unique and T/HIS can not tell which files belong to which model. If you do read multiple models from the same directory T/HIS will generate a warning message if you read the same file for more than 1 model.



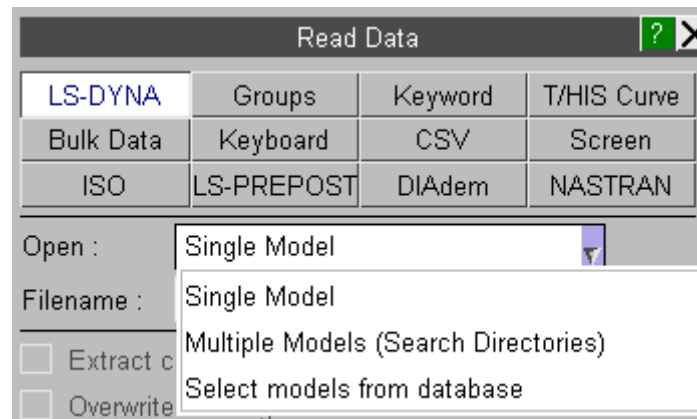
Selecting Models

There are three ways to select the Ansys LS-DYNA models that you want to read into T/HIS

- Select a single model (see [Select Model](#))
- Search directories for results and open open multiple models (see [Search Directories Recursively](#))



- (iii) Open a model database and select the models you want to read (see [Select Models From Database](#))



Select Model

Select ANY results file from a model. T/HIS will then search for all the results files in that directory produced by the same analysis as the selected file (as illustrated below) and display a list of all the files found. The user can then select which files to open. The default is to open all the available results files.

If you are using Oasys Ltd SHELL to submit jobs then the default filenames will be "jobname.thf", "jobname.xtf", "binout", "abstat" etc. If you use the standard Ansys LS-DYNA output file names then the filenames will be "d3thdt", "xtfile", "binout", "abstat".

The T/HIS preference option "this*file_names" can be used to set the default filenames that T/HIS searches for to either the ARUP set or the LST names.

When the user selects **Apply** , the selected files are then opened and the contents scanned. After the files have been scanned the list of available data types will automatically be displayed ([see Data Components](#))

Read Data

LS-DYNA	Groups	Keyword	T/HIS Curve
Bulk Data	Keyboard	CSV	Screen
ISO	LS-PREPOST	DIAdem	NASTRAN

Open :

Single Model

Filename :

E:\test\sled\new_lg09.ptf

☐ Extract curves to match model :

1

☐ Overwrite existing curves
☒ Copy curve styles
☐ Use default styles

☐ Set styles

Colour

Width

Style

Symbol

Copy ▶

Copy ▶

Copy ▶

Copy ▶

Model Unit System :

Undefined

Apply

THF/d3thdt File

☒ E:\test\sled\new_lg09.thf

XTF/xtfile File

☒ E:\test\sled\new_lg09.xtf

LSDA/binout Database

☒ E:\test\sled\binout

ASCII Files

☒ deforc

matsum

rcforc

sleout

glstat

nodout

sbtout

spcforc

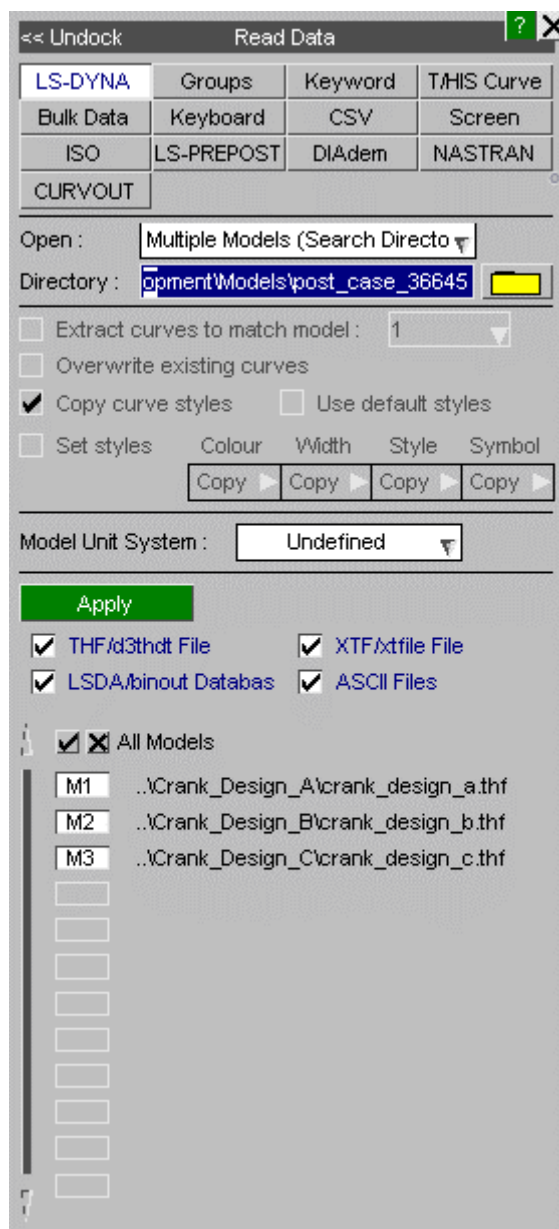
ZTF - Additional Model data

☒ E:\test\sled\new_lg09.ztf

Search Directories Recursively

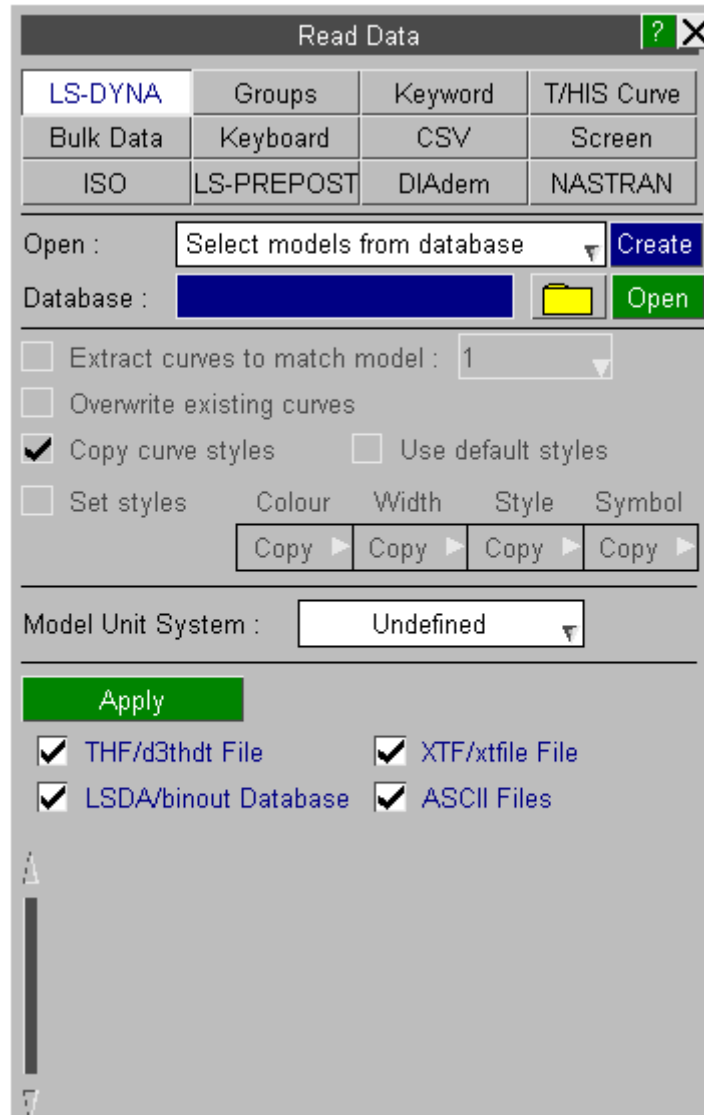
Multiple models can be opened by using the option to search directories recursively.

After a directory has been specified T/HIS will display a list of all the models it can find in the directory structure and each file can be selected. The order in which the models are read in can be specified by selecting the models in the order required. The selection buttons will display the model number that each model will be read into. The model numbering begins from the next free model number and is then sequential.



Select Models From Database

From T/HIS 10.0 onwards users can select models from a model database. The database file is an XML format file that contains information on where models are located along with a brief description of each model, (see [below](#) for more details on the file format).



The 'Read Data' dialog box is shown with the following options:

LS-DYNA	Groups	Keyword	T/HIS Curve
Bulk Data	Keyboard	CSV	Screen
ISO	LS-PREPOST	DIAdem	NASTRAN

Open :

Database :

☐ Extract curves to match model :

☐ Overwrite existing curves

☒ Copy curve styles ☐ Use default styles

☐ Set styles

Colour	Width	Style	Symbol
Copy	Copy	Copy	Copy

Model Unit System :

☒ THF/d3thdt File ☒ XTF/xtfile File

☒ LSDA/binout Database ☒ ASCII Files

To select a model database either enter it's name in the text box or use the file selector.

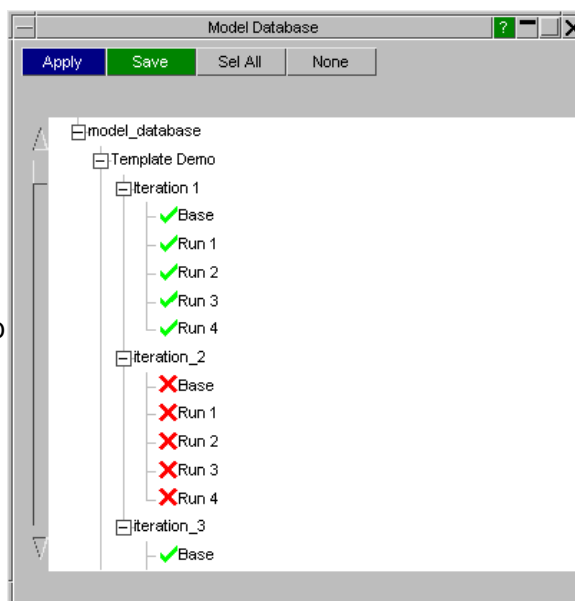
The default model database can be specified as a command line argument (see [Command Line Options](#) for more details). The default database filename and location can also be specified in the preference file (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details)

```
this*database_dir:
this*database_file:
```



After a database file has been selected it's contents will be read and T/HIS will display a Tree Like menu showing the contents of the database.

As each item is displayed T/HIS will check to see if the files that it refers to exist.



If a file does exist then a green tick will be displayed



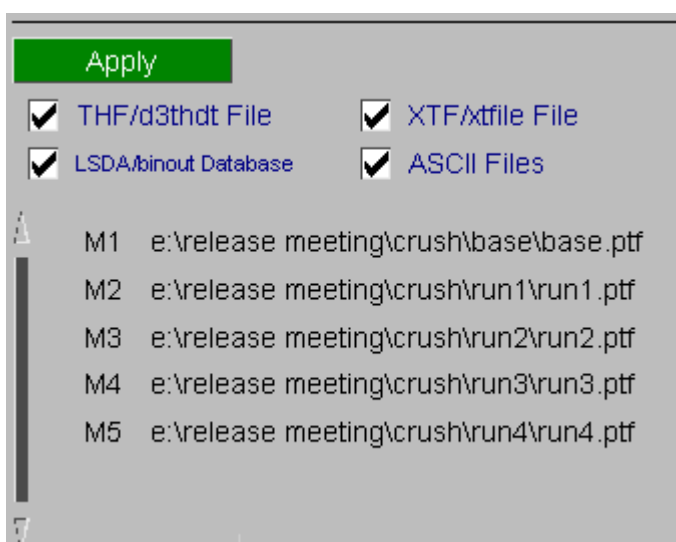
If a file does not exist then a red cross will be displayed



The number of levels in the database that are automatically expanded when it is first displayed can be specified in the preference file (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details)

this*database_expand:

After selecting the required models use **Apply** to close the database window and return to the main menu where the selected models will be displayed along with the model numbers they will be read in as.



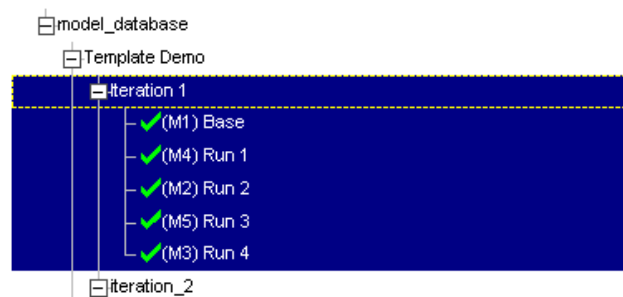
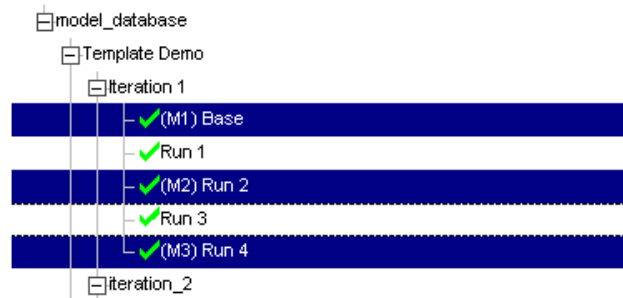


Selecting Models

Models can be selected and deselected by clicking on each row. Multiple models can be selected by clicking on the 1st model and holding down SHIFT while selecting the last model in the range.

As each model is selected, the model number that it will be read in as is automatically displayed alongside the model description.

A complete branch can be selected/deselected by selecting the branch label (Iteration 1).



Modifying the Database

Database entries can be added, removed and modified by right clicking on a branch label or a model description

Right clicking on a branch label will display 4 options

Modify ...	Modify the branch label.
Add Model ...	Add a new model into the selected branch. A menu will be displayed to select a new model and to define the model description that is displayed for the new model.
Insert ...	Insert a new branch within the selected branch.
Delete	Delete this branch and everything within it.



Right clicking on a model description will display 3 options

Modify ...	Modify the model location and description.



Insert ...

Insert a new branch. The selected model will be moved into the new branch.



Delete

Delete the model

Saving the Database

After modifying the database use the **Save** option to save the changes for future sessions.



Creating a new Database

If you do not have a database or if you want to create a new one then T/HIS can create the new database for you. To create a new database click the **CREATE** button and simply enter the name of the new database file in the text box that appears, T/HIS will then check that the file does not already exist and if it doesn't it will create a new empty database.

Alternatively if you type in the name of a file in the main Open Plot File window that does not exist then T/HIS will ask if you want to create a new empty database using that filename.

Once you have done this you can use the [Modify](#) options above to add items into the database and then save the file before exiting.

Database Format

The Model Database uses an ASCII XML file format.

All items with the database are either branches or models. Each database entry has an **XML name** and a **LABEL element**. Models also contain a model element that contains the full pathname of one of the files belonging to the model.

The **XML name** should be unique and should obey the following rules

- Names can contain letters, numbers, and other characters
- Names must not start with a number or punctuation character
- Names must not start with the letters xml (or XML, or Xml, etc)
- Names cannot contain space



The **LABEL** is the string used to display an item within the tree view. Unlike the **XML name** the **LABEL** can contain any ASCII character.

```
<model_database version="10.000000">
  <Template_Demo label="Template Demo">
    <iteration_1 label="Iteration 1">
      <base label="Base"
        model="e:
elease\meeting\crush\base\base.ptf"/>
      <run_1 label="Run 1"
        model="e:
elease\meeting\crush
un1
un1.ptf"/>
      <run_2 label="Run 2"
        model="e:
elease\meeting\crush
un2
un2.ptf"/>
      <run_3 label="Run 3"
        model="e:
elease\meeting\crush
un3
un3.ptf"/>
      <run_4 label="Run 4"
        model="e:
elease\meeting\crush
un4
un4.ptf"/>
    </iteration_1>
    <iteration_2 label="Iteration 2">
      <base label="Base"
        model="e:\test\crush2\base\base.ptf"/>
      <run_1 label="Run 1"
        model="e:\test\crush2
un1
un1.ptf"/>
      <run_2 label="Run 2"
        model="e:\test\crush2
un2
un2.ptf"/>
      <run_3 label="Run 3"
        model="e:\test\crush2
un3
un3.ptf"/>
      <run_4 label="Run 4"
        model="e:\test\crush2
un4
un4.ptf"/>
    </iteration_2>
  </Template_Demo>
</model_database>
```



Automatic extraction of model results

When a second or subsequent model is opened in T/HIS this option can be used to automatically generate the same curves as those already read from another model.

☒ Extract curves to match model : 1
☐ Overwrite existing curves
☒ Copy curve styles ☐ Use default styles
☐ Set styles

Colour	Width	Style	Symbol
Copy ▶	Copy ▶	Copy ▶	Copy ▶

This option can also be used if a model is re-read into T/HIS to extract the same curves as those that had already been read from the model.

By default this option will attempt to generate curves that match those already read from model 1. If results have already been read from more than one model then the model to match the curves form can be set to any of the existing models.

This option can be used to overwrite

☒ Overwrite existing curves

the existing curves from a model. If a model has been read into T/HIS and curves have been read from the model while the analysis was still running then this option can be used to automatically update the curves.

When the curves from the 2nd or subsequent model are automatically generated then by default they will be given the same colours, and line styles as the curves in the original model.

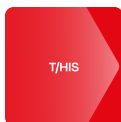
☒ Copy curve styles ☐ Use default styles
☐ Set styles

Colour	Width	Style	Symbol
Copy ▶	Copy ▶	Copy ▶	Copy ▶

Instead of copying the curve styles a new style for all the automatically generated curves can be specified. This make it very easy to set the same style for all of the curves that are read from a model. Alternatively the default T/HIS curve styles can be used.

Model Unit System

Model Unit System : Undefined ▼



This option can be used to set the default Unit System that will be applied to the model. For more information on Units see [UNITS](#)

Entity Types

Items are shown in bright green if they occur in all the models that have been read into T/HIS and are currently selected. If they occur in at least one model but not all models then they are shown in a duller green (in the case shown in the adjacent picture Beams, Shells, Stonewalls, Springs, Seatbelts, Retractors, Sliprings and SPCs can be found in some but not all of the models).

Read Data			
LS-DYNA	Groups	Keyword	T/HIS Curve
Bulk Data	Keyboard	CSV	Screen
ISO	LS-PREPOST	DIAdem	NASTRAN
Global	Parts	Part Groups	Nodes
Solids	Beams	Shells	Tk Shells
Stonewalls	Springs	Airbags	Contacts
Geo Contacts	Seatbelts	Retractors	Sliprings
Reactions	Joints	X Sections	Subsystems
Rigid Bodies	Spotwelds	SPCs	Boundarys
FSIs	SPHs	TRACERs	

Data Components

When reading data from any of the Ansys LS-DYNA binary files or the Ansys LS-DYNA ASCII files multiple components and entities may be selected at the same time.

Each data extraction menu consists of a list of available data components and a list of entities.

Data Components

Individual data components can be selected using the mouse. If a component has been selected and a second item is subsequently selected the first item will be deselected.

Multiple components may be selected by

1. Holding down the **CTRL** key when selecting items to add individual items to the list of selected components.
2. Holding down the **SHIFT** key when selecting items to add a range of items to the list of selected components.
3. Clicking on the first item to be selected and then dragging down the list of items without letting go of the mouse button.



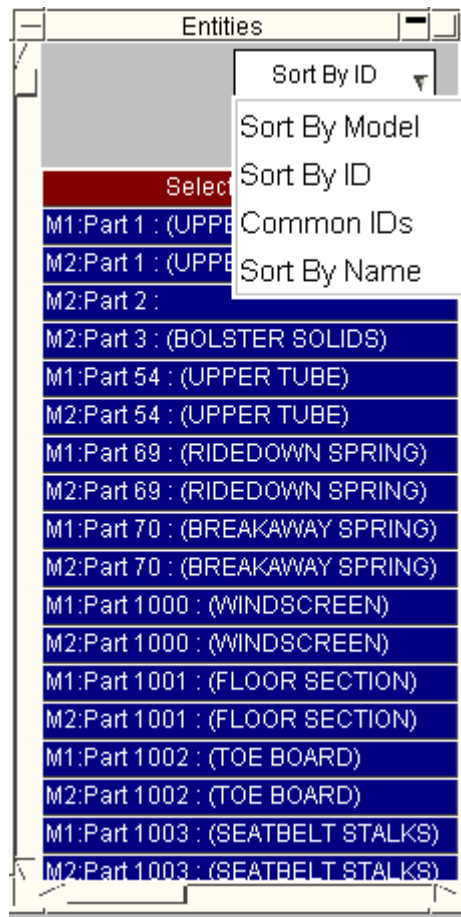
Select Models	New Model	Reread Model
Model Title :		
Output curve: # (first free) ...		
Key in :		
Data Components		Apply
KE - Kinetic energy IE - Internal energy HG - Hourglass energy TE - Total energy XM - X momentum YM - Y momentum ZM - Z momentum VX - Average X velocity VY - Average Y velocity VZ - Average Z velocity MA - Added mass		Entities Sort By Model ▼ All None Select PART(s) M1:Part 1 : (UPPER M1:Part 54 : (UPPE M1:Part 69 : (RIDED M1:Part 70 : (BREA M1:Part 1000 : (WIN M1:Part 1001 : (FLO M1:Part 1002 : (TOE M1:Part 1003 : (SEA M1:Part 1006 : (SEA M1:Part 1110 : (KNE M1:Part 1136 : (RIGI M1:Part 1137 : (RIGI M1:Part 1138 : (KNE

Entities

Individual entities can be selected/deselected using the mouse.

Multiple entities may be selected by

1. Holding down the **CTRL** key when selecting items to add them to the list of selected entities.
2. Holding down the **SHIFT** key when selecting items to add a range of items to the list of selected entities.
3. Clicking on the first item to be selected and then dragging down the list of items without letting go of the mouse button.



Entities can be sorted in four ways:

Sort by model	will list all entities in the lowest number model in order of ascending ID number, then all entities in the next-lowest model, and then move through the rest of the models in ascending order.
Sort by ID	will list all entities in ascending order showing the model ID for each entity
Common IDs	will list only the entities with IDs that are common to all models without showing the model ID's
Sort by Name	arranges the entities in alphabetical order based on their names.

Surfaces/Integration Points

Some BEAM, SHELL, and THICKSHELL data components can be read from multiple integration points.

If a data component is available for multiple integration points then an additional **Select Surface** options is displayed.



Select Surface

This option will display a separate menu listing all of the integration points that are available to read data from.

For Shell and Thick Shell elements the menu will include all of the through thickness integration points plus 3 additional options; TOP, MIDDLE and BOTTOM.

For Beam elements the menu will just display the integration points.

In plane int points

In addition to the through thickness integration points recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA can also output data for multiple in-plane integration points for fully integrated Shell and Thick Shell elements. If T/HIS can identify that the model contains data for multiple in-plane integration points then these options can be used to select the individual in-plane integration points or to average the 4 in-plane points.

For more information on selecting integration points for beams, shells and thick shells see [Beam Data Components](#), [Shell Data Components](#) and [Thick Shell Data Components](#).

Shell and ThickShell Data Components

If Shell and ThickShell data is being read from the LDSA (binout) file then the file can contain data components in both the ELOUT and ELOUTDET branches.

By default T/HIS uses the data from ELOUTDET as ELOUT only contains a subset of the data in ELOUTDET.

In some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is possible to change the Shell and ThickShell data components written to the ELOUT so that they are defined using the global coordinate system (see

Global	Parts	Part Groups	Nodes
Solids	Beams	Shells	Tk Shells
Stonewalls	Springs	Airbags	Contacts
Geo Contacts	Seatbelts	Retractors	Sliprings
Reactions	Joints	X Sections	Subsystems
Rigid Bodies	Spotwelds	SPCs	Boundaries
FSIs	SPHs	Tracers	Pulleys

Select Models	New Model	Reread Model
Output curve: % (highest+1)		...
Key in :		Apply

STRESS Tensor components

PLASTIC STRAIN

STRAIN Tensor components

FORCE/MOMENT components

MISCELLANEOUS components

EXTRA components

☒ Use ELOUT instead of ELOUTDET

The LDSA (binout) file contains ELOUT and ELOUTDET data. The ELOUT file uses the Global coordinate system for Shell and ThickShell results while ELOUTDET is using a Local coordinate system.



EOCS on *CONTROL_OUTPUT) instead of the default element local coordinate system. If this option is used then only the ELOUT file is modified, the ELOUDET file is still written using the local coordinate system.

Use ELOUT instead of ELOUDET

If T/HIS detects that the LSDA file contains both ELOUT and ELOUDET and that they are using different coordinate systems then this option can be used to force T/HIS to use the ELOUT file data components using the global coordinate system.

This option can also be set via the preference file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details) and via the command line (see [Command Line Options](#))



9.2.2. GROUPS

GROUPS

This option can be used to read a file containing PART group definitions. If a model is read in which contains PART information then the PART groups can be used to read in and sum energies for a group of PARTS in one go.

The 1st time T/HIS finds a group file (groupXXX.asc) in a directory it will automatically read the file and create the PART groups.

After reading the 1st group file T/HIS will by default ignore any other group files it finds in directories when it opens a model.

This option can be changed as follows.

Ignore	This option (the default) will make T/HIS ignore any more group files it finds
Delete	If T/HIS finds a group file when a new model is read in then all existing group definitions will be deleted before the new file is read
Overwrite	If T/HIS finds a group file when a new model is read in then all the new group definitions will be added to the existing ones. If the new file contains a group with the same ID as an existing group then the old definition will be overwritten.
Increment	If T/HIS finds a group file when a new model is read in then all the new group definitions will be added to the existing ones but the group ID's will be incremented to ensure that they do not clash with existing ones.

The default option can be changed using the preference option

```
this*read_group_files:
```

(see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details)

If the option to read groups files is set and the directory contains more than one group file then T/HIS will use the newest file.



Read Data

?

X

LS-DYNA	Groups	Keyword	T/HIS Curve
Bulk Data	Keyboard	CSV	Screen
ISO	LS-PREPOST	DIAdem	NASTRAN

Group File :

E:\test\sled\group.asc

Read

List

Delete

Auto-Read Options

If T/HIS finds a group file when opening a model

☒

 Ignore the Group file

☐

 Delete existing groups and read the file

☐

 Overwrite Groups with matching IDs

☐

 Increment all Group IDs

Do you want T/HIS to

☒

 Use this option for all group files

☐

 Prompt for each group file

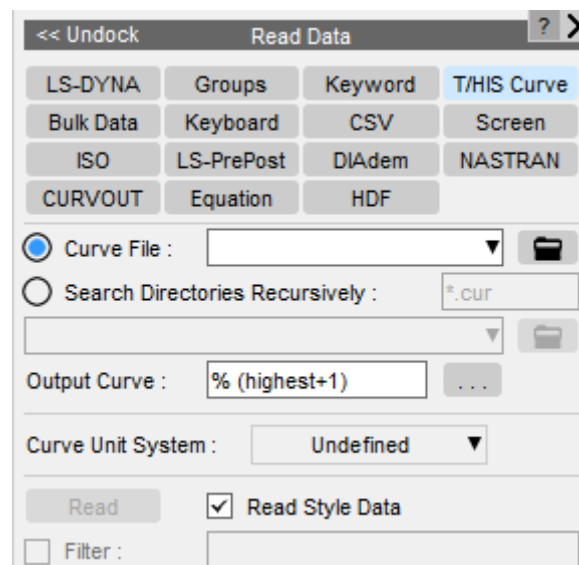


9.2.3. T/HIS Curve

T/HIS Curve

This option can be used to read in curves stored in T/HIS curve file format (see [Appendix B](#) for more details)

By default this option can be used to select a single file. After selecting the file it will automatically be opened and read and all of the curves in the file will be read in.



In addition to reading a single file this option can also be used to search directories recursively for multiple files.

After the search has finished a list showing all of the files that have been found will be displayed so that multiple files can be selected and read in one operation.

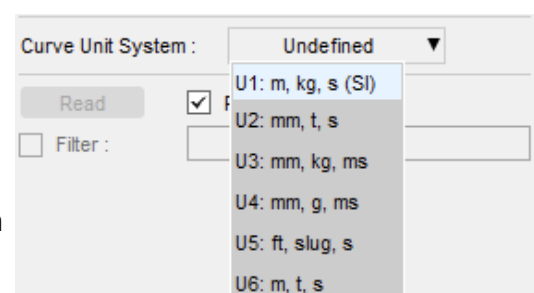
By default T/HIS will search for files with the file extension .cur, this can be changed if required.

In addition to changing the default file extension the list of files can also be filtered. The filter string can contain the following wildcards

- * matches multiple characters
- ? matches a single character

Note: The filtering ignores case.

The units system of the curves read from the Curve file can be set using the **Curve Unit System** dropdown. If a units system is defined in the Curve file itself, then T/HIS applies that Unit





System to the curves. Otherwise, the units system selected from this dropdown is applied to the curves read from the file. Defining the units system when reading curves enables T/HIS to scale any constants in subsequent curve operations correctly.



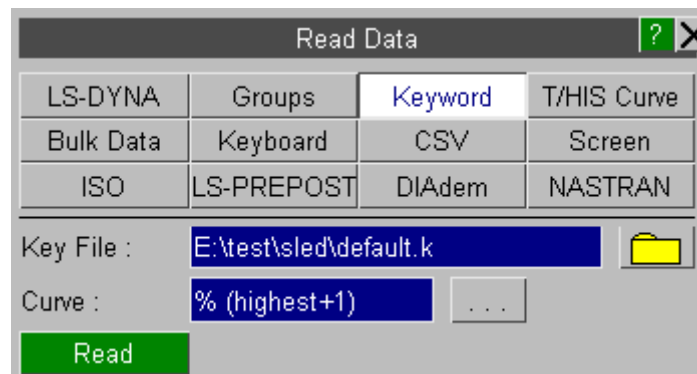
9.2.4. KEYWORD

KEYWORD

Read data into T/HIS from an Ansys LS-DYNA KEYWORD input file. All X/Y data defined using ***DEFINE_CURVE** will be read in from the specified input file. Any X and Y axis scaling or offsets defined within the ***DEFINE_CURVE** definition will be applied to the X,Y as it is read in. If the **_TITLE** option has been used the title will be used as the curve label otherwise the curve ID number will be used.

From version 9.3 onwards this option will also process any files specified using the ***INCLUDE** option.

```
/re kw          read all curves from KEYWORD input file "filename"  
"filename"
```



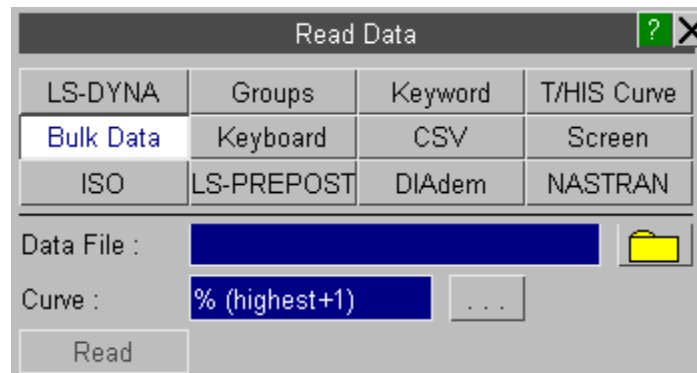


9.2.5. BULK

BULK

Read data into T/HIS from a Bulk Data file. The format of a Bulk Data file is described in [Appendix C](#).

```
/re bd          read all curves from Bulk Data file "filename"  
"filename"
```





9.2.6. KEYBOARD

KEYBOARD

Key in curve information directly. A dialogue window is displayed upon requesting this option where the user will be prompted for title, x and y axis labels, a curve identifier and then a series of points. Once all the points required have been entered carriage return should be pressed. The user will then be prompted for the curve or file in which to store this data : # means use the next free curve.



9.2.7. CSV

CSV

The **CSV** menu (see right) can be used to read comma separated variable file(s) into T/HIS. This menu allows to read single CSV file or all the CSV files in a selected directory both recursively and non-recursively.

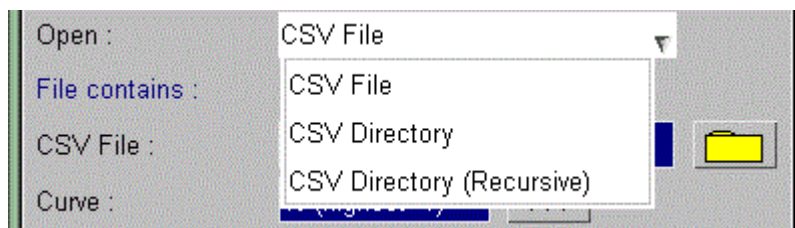
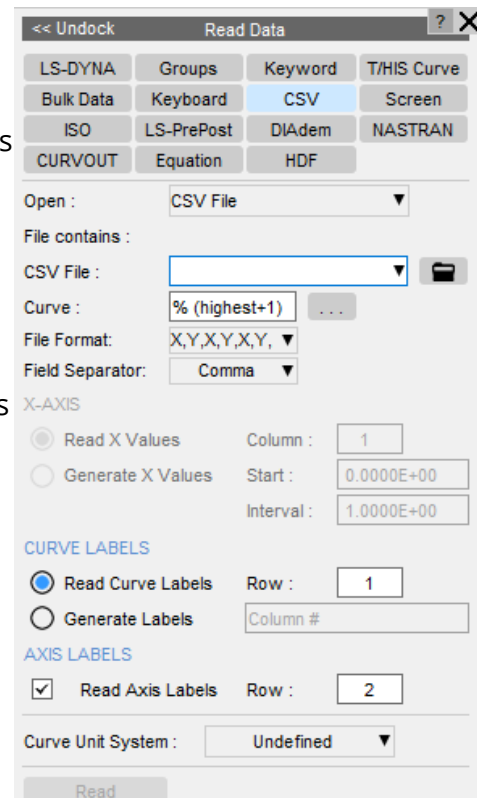
Each file may contain up to 1000 columns of data (separated by commas).

The maximum line length supported by this option is 10240 characters.

CSV files written from the D3PLOT Write Menu are automatically detected by T/HIS and sets the appropriate read options. The options can be changed, but the data may not read in as expected. Both the **Write->Entity** and **Write->Scan** formats are supported. The first column of data containing the entity IDs is ignored for both formats. For files written from the **Write->Scan** menu the third column is ignored as this also contains entity IDs.

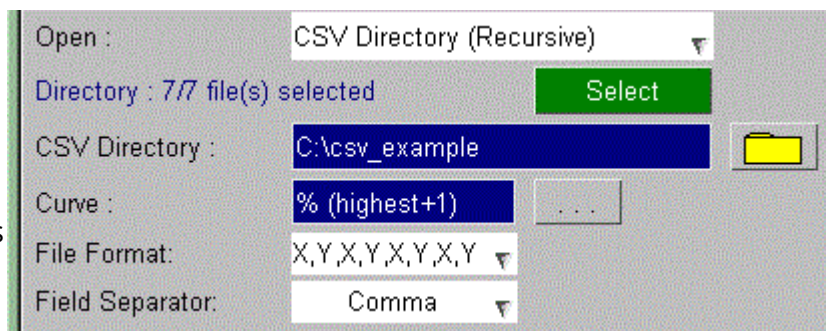
The CSV menu can also read in multiple CSV files in a given directory and also all the sub-directories recursively by changing the **Open** option from **CSV File**

File to either **CSV Directory** or **CSV Directory (Recursive)**.





For both **CSV Directory** and **CSV Directory (Recursive)** options, CSV menu first scans through the directory and specifies the number of files it has found. By default all the files found will be selected. Users can filter out the files they want to read by clicking on the **Select** button.



On clicking the **Select** button, CSV menu will display the list of all the CSV files found in the specified directory. Users can select which CSV files they would like to read in.



File Format

This option can be used to change the CSV file format between the X,Y,X,Y,X,Y format where alternate columns are the X and Y values for each curve and the X,Y,Y,Y format where there is a single column containing the x-axis values for all the curves.

Field Separator

By default T/HIS assumes that the columns of data are separated by commas, this option can be used to change the field separator to either a Tab or Spaces. If the 'Space' option is used then multiple spaces are counted as a single field separator. If curve or axis labels are defined in the file and they contain spaces then they need to be enclosed in pairs of " quotes. The default field separator can specified in the



preference file (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details) `this*csv_separator:`

Read X Values

This option can be used to specify a column within the file that contains the X-axis data values that should be used for all of the other columns of data.

Generate X Values

This option can be used to automatically generate the X-axis values if none of the columns within the file contain the data.

Read Labels

This option can be used to specify a row within the file that contains labels for each of the columns of data that can be used as the curve labels within T/HIS.

Generate Labels

This option can be used to automatically generate labels for each set of data. A single string can be specified which will then have the column number appended to it to generate unique labels.

Read Axis Labels

This option can be used to specify a row within the file that contains the axis labels.

Curve Unit System

This option can be used to set the units system for the curves read from the CSV file. If a units system is defined in the CSV file itself, then T/HIS

applies that units system to the curves. Otherwise, the units system selected from this dropdown is applied to the curves read in from the file. Defining the units system when reading curves enables T/HIS to scale any constants in subsequent curve operations correctly.

Curve Unit System : Undefined ▼

Read

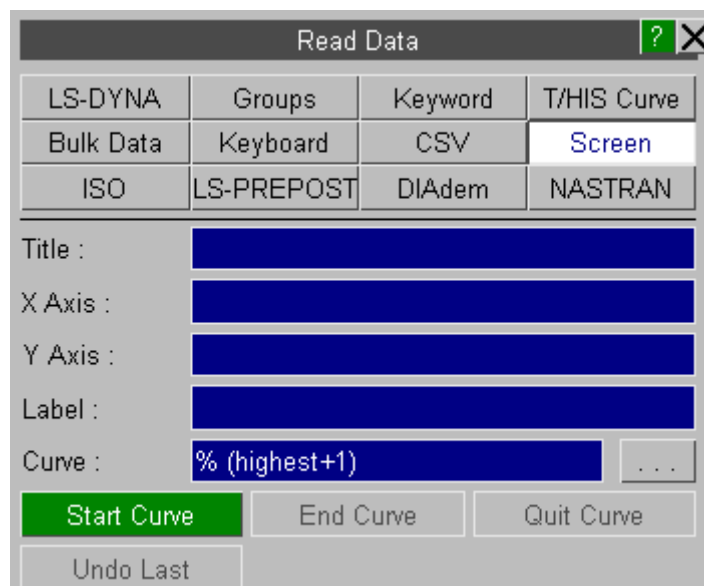
- U1: m, kg, s (SI)
- U2: mm, t, s
- U3: mm, kg, ms
- U4: mm, g, ms
- U5: ft, slug, s
- U6: m, t, s



9.2.8. SCREEN

SCREEN

The **SCREEN** menu (see right) can be used to interactively create a curve T/HIS by selecting points using the mouse.



Start Curve

This option will start point selection process. Once you have started creating a curve all the other T/HIS menus will be disabled until you end the point selection using either the **End Curve** or **Quit Curve** options.

Dynamic viewing will still be available.

End Curve

This option will end the current curve creation and save the curve.

Quit Curve

This option will end the current curve creation without saving the curve.

Undo Last

This option can be used delete the last point created (the middle mouse button will also delete the last point).



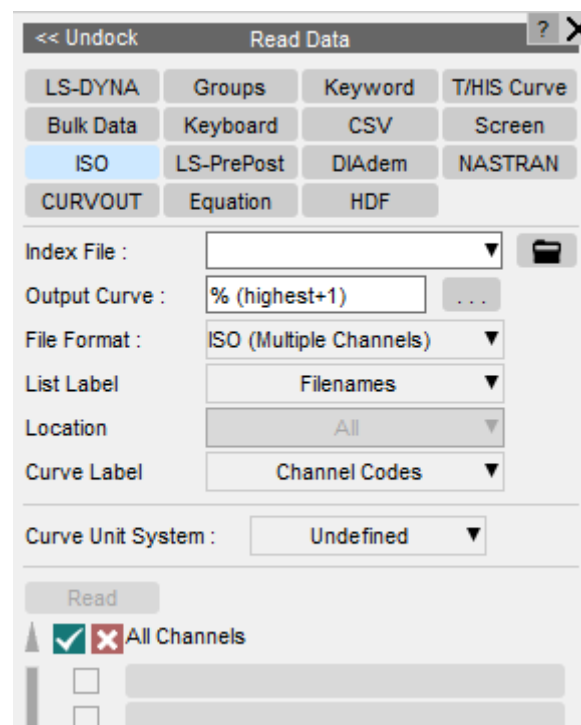
9.2.9. ISO

ISO

This option can be used to read in curves from files written using the ISO/TS 13499:2003 file format. Two versions of the format are supported; v1.6 and v2.0.

The default option in T/HIS is to read in an Index file containing information on multiple channels. After the file has been opened and read a list of all the available channels will be displayed so the required channels can be selected.

When listing the channels the default is to display the filenames for each of the channel files. Alternatively the channel names (read from the Index) file can be displayed.



Instead of reading an Index file and then selecting which channels to read individual channel file can be read in directly.



<< Undock Read Data ? X

LS-DYNA	Groups	Keyword	T/HIS Curve
Bulk Data	Keyboard	CSV	Screen
ISO	LS-PrePost	DIAdem	NASTRAN
CURVOUT	Equation	HDF	

Channel File :

Output Curve : ...

File Format : ▼

List Label : ▼

Location : ▼

Curve Label : ▼

Curve Unit System : ▼

Read

For Curve labels the default is set to Channel Codes. Alternatively it can be changed to Channel Names.

<< Undock Read Data ? X

LS-DYNA	Groups	Keyword	T/HIS Curve
Bulk Data	Keyboard	CSV	Screen
ISO	LS-PrePost	DIAdem	NASTRAN
CURVOUT	Equation	HDF	

Channel File :

Output Curve : ...

File Format : ▼

List Label : ▼

Location : ▼

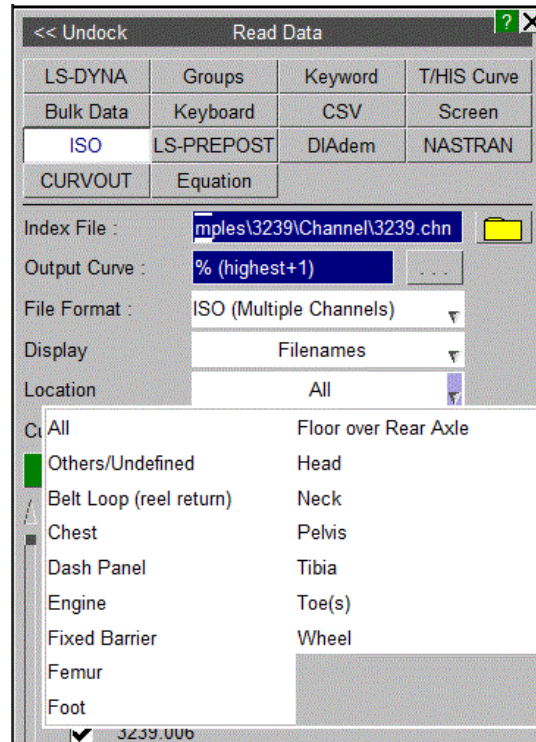
Curve Label : ▼

Curve Unit System : ▼

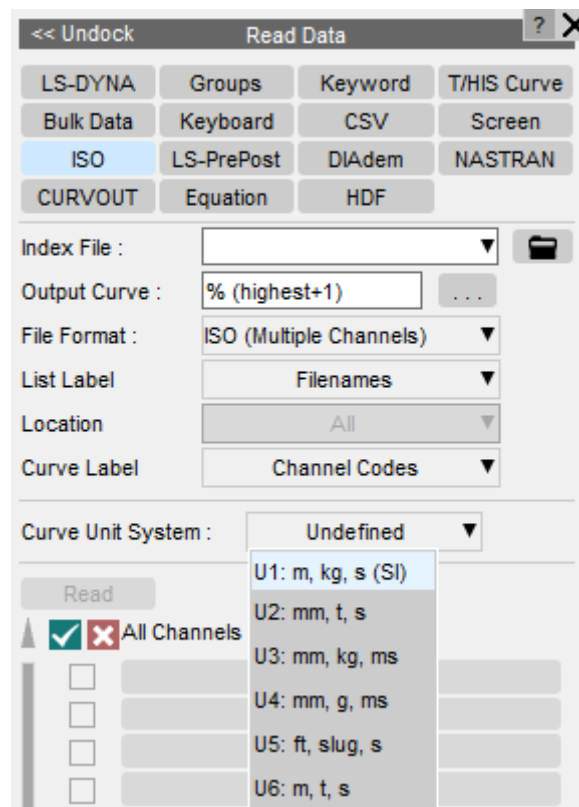
Read

- Channel Names
- Channel Codes

A dynamic location pop up has been added. The options displayed in this popup will be according to the options available in the channel list.



The **Curve Unit System** dropdown can be used to set the units system for the curves read from the ISO-MME file. Defining the units system when reading curves enables T/HIS to scale any constants in subsequent curve operations correctly.





9.2.10. LS-PREPOST

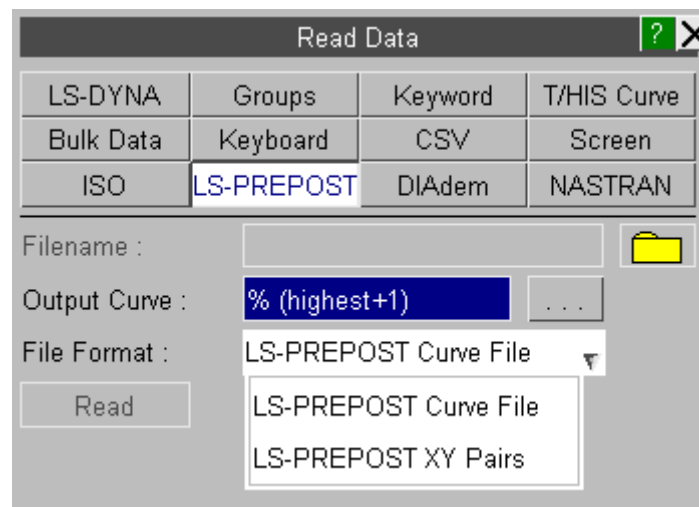
LS-PREPOST

This option can be used to read in curves from files written out from LS-PREPOST.

Two different file formats are supported

LS-PREPOST Curve Files

LS-PREPOST XY Pairs





9.2.11. DIAdem

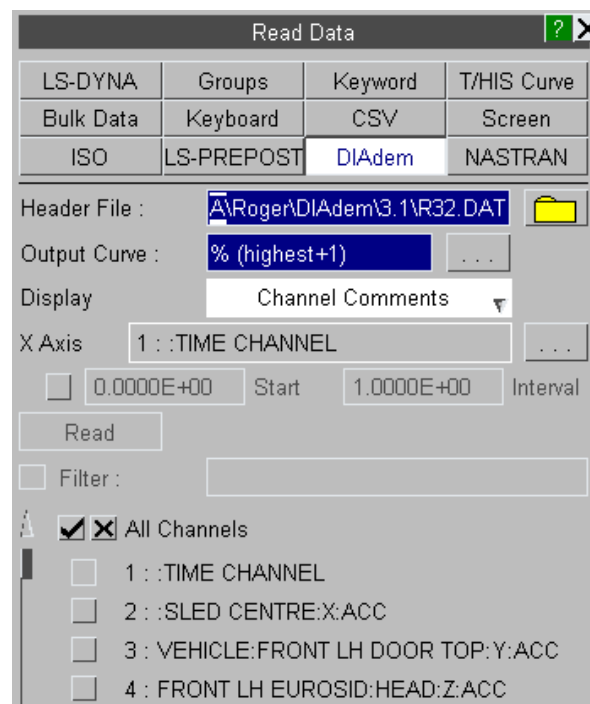
DIAdem

This option can be used to read in data from DIAdem format data files. After selecting a DIAdem header file a list of all the available channels will be displayed so the required channels can be selected.

Version 11.0 of T/HIS supports the following DIAdem data file formats

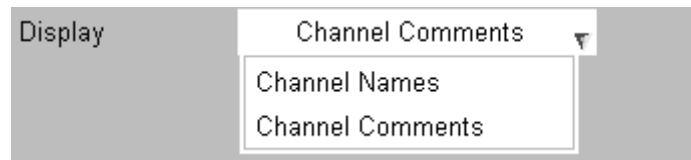
REAL32
REAL48
REAL64
INT16
INT32
WORD8
WORD32
ASCII

The MSREAL32, TWOC12 and TWOC16 are not supported.



By default T/HIS will display the channel comments (header block 201) for each channel. This can be changed to the channel names (header block 200) using the popup menu if required.

When channels are read in this option is also used to create the labels for each curve.

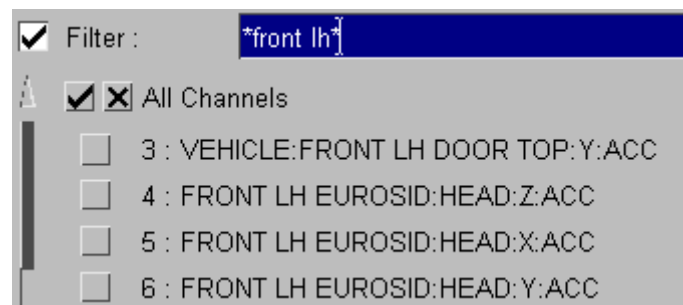


As well as displaying either the channel comments or the channels names the list of channels can also be filtered if required .

The filter string can contain the following wildcards

- * matches multiple characters
- ? matches a single character

Note: The filtering ignores case.



Normally one of the DIAdem data channels contains the x-axis (time) values. By default T/HIS assumes this is channel 1 but this can be changed using the button labelled ...



If none of the channels contain the x-axis values then a start value and an increment can be specified to generate curves with evenly spaced x-axis values.

Supported DIAdem header file blocks

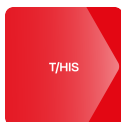
The following DIAdem header file data blocks are supported. All other data blocks are ignored.

GLOBAL HEADER

- 111 Value for NoValues in the data file
- 112 Interchange high- and low-bytes

CHANNEL HEADER

- 200 Channel name
- 201 Channel comment



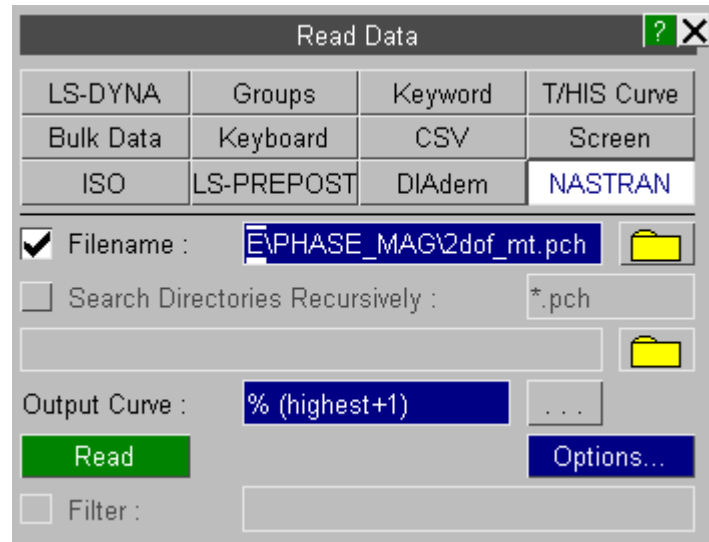
210	Channel type
211	File from which channel data is read
213	Method of storing the data
214	Data type
220	No. of values in the channel
221	Pointer to the 1st value in the channel
222	Offset for ASCII block files Offset for binary block files with header
223	Local ASCII-pointer in the case of ASCII block files
230	Separator character for ASCII-block files
231	Decimal character in ASCII-files
232	Exponential character in ASCII-files
240	Exponential character in ASCII-files
241	Step width / Factor
252	Keyword for NoValues in the channel
254	Value for NoValues in the channel



9.2.12. NASTRAN

NASTRAN

This option can be used to read in data from from NASTRAN PCH files.



Currently the following types and data components are supported along with the SORT1, SORT2 and XYPUNCH file formats

Nodal	Displacements
Nodal	Velocities
Nodal	Accelerations
Nodal	SPC Forces
CBUSH	Element Forces
CDAMP	Element Forces
CELEM	Element Forces
CBAR	Element Forces
CQUAD	Element Forces
CTRI	Element Forces

By default T/HIS will read in every curve that it finds in the file so if you read in a file containing nodal displacements from a SORT2 format file you will end up with 12 curves being produced in T/HIS for each node.

X,Y,Z translation (Real) / (Magnitude)
X,Y,Z translation (Imaginary) / (Phase angle)
X,Y,Z rotational (Real) / (Magnitude)
X,Y,Z rotational (Imaginary) / (Phase angle)



The **Options...** button will display the following menu that will allow some components to be deselected before reading the file.

The 'Read Data' dialog box contains a table with four columns: LS-DYNA, Groups, Keyword, and T/HIS Curve. The rows are Bulk Data, Keyboard, CSV, and Screen. The 'NASTRAN' option is highlighted in the T/HIS Curve column. Below the table, there is a 'Data Types to Read:' section with a 'Done' button. The options are as follows:

Data Type	Option	Selected
Complex Data	Real / Magnitude	☒
	Imaginary / Phase Angle	☒
Nodal Data	Displacements	☒
	Velocities	☒
	Accelerations	☒
	SPC Forces	☒
	X Trans	☒
	X Rot	☒
	Y Trans	☒
	Y Rot	☒
Element Forces	Z Trans	☒
	Z Rot	☒
	CBUSH	☒
	CDAMP	☒
	CELEM	☒
	CBAR	☒
CQUAD	☒	
CTRIA	☒	

- Complex Data** For complex data components written out as a pair of real and imaginary numbers or as a magnitude and phase angle either of the components can be deselected.
- Nodal Data** For nodal data any of the 4 data types can be deselected along with any of the 6 translational/rotational directions.
- Element Forces** For element forces each individual element type can be deselected.

T/HIS will automatically create curve labels for each curve generated from the PCH file. The entity types, ID's and components will also be stored with the curves to allow the curves to be sorted using the curve table (see [Table](#))

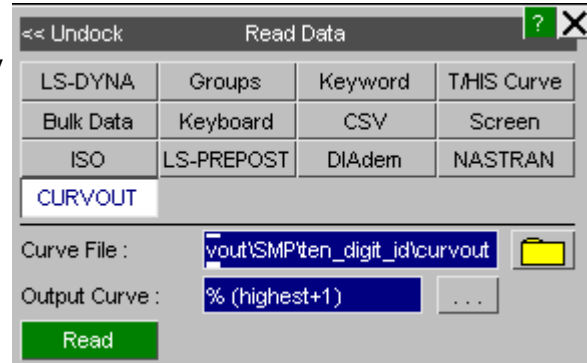


9.2.13. CURVOUT

CURVOUT

This option can be used to read in data from from a CURVOUT ASCII file (curves defined by *DEFINE_CURVE_FUNCTION).

All the curves defined in the file are read. However, CURVOUT data (from both ASCII and binout files) can now be read in via the Ansys LS-DYNA option in the read panel. The curves in the file will then be treated as entities, allowing them to be selected individually in the entities list.





9.2.14. Equation

Equation

This option can be used to create a curve by defining an equation of the form ' $y=f(x)$ '. Here 'x' can be replaced by any of x, X, t, T, time or TIME.

The usual operators + - * / ^ % can all be used. The following standard mathematical functions can be used: SIN, COS, TAN, SEC, CSC, COT, ASIN, ACOS, ATAN, ATAN2, SINH, COSH, TANH, ASINH, ACOSH, TANH, ASINH, ACOSH, ATANH, EXP, CEIL, FLOOR, LOG, LOG10, SQRT, MOD, MAX, MIN, SIGN, ABS, INT, AINT, NINT, FLOAT.

Additionally, some of the functions specified in the Ansys LS-DYNA manual under *DEFINE_CURVE_FUNCTION are also available. These are: IF, STEP, POLY, CHEBY, FORSIN, FORCOS, SHF.

<< Undock Read Data

LS-DYNA	Groups	Keyword	T/HIS Curve
Bulk Data	Keyboard	CSV	Screen
ISO	LS-PREPOST	DIAdem	NASTRAN
CURVOUT	Equation		

Equation : $y = \#1 + \#2 \cdot \exp(-0.5 \cdot x) \cdot \sin(4 \cdot \pi \cdot x)$

☐ User-defined X values

X Axis start : 0.000000

X Axis end : 1.000000

X axis interval : 0.001000

☐ Take X values from curve 1

☒ Calculate X values from curve variables

Output Curve : % (highest+1)

Curve Label : $\#1 + \#2 \cdot \exp(-0.5 \cdot x) \cdot \sin(4 \cdot \pi \cdot x)$

☒ Use equation as curve label

X Label :

Y Label :

Apply

This allows PRIMER to send *DEFINE_CURVE_FUNCTION definitions to T/HIS, as long as they only depend on TIME and no other values that change during the Ansys LS-DYNA run. In the *DEFINE_CURVE_FUNCTION edit panel, if the expression is suitable for evaluation, then the **T/HIS** button will be active and the equation can be sent across. The curve will be plotted from TIME = 0 until the termination time specified on the *DATABASE_CONTROL_TERMINATION card. The value of any parameters appearing in the expression will be maintained. The curve can be edited via right-clicking and selecting **Edit equation...**. It can then be sent back to PRIMER by right-clicking and selecting **Update curve in PRIMER**.

Curves can be referenced in equations using variables of the form 'c1', 'C1' or '#1' to refer to curve #1. For example, equations such as ' $y = 2 \cdot \#1 + 3 \cdot \#3$ ' are valid. This allows multiple curve operations to be replaced by a single equation.

There are multiple options for defining the x-values used to plot the equation curve. There is an option to specify directly the start value, end value and interval between points. Alternatively, the X values can be copied from a specified curve. The final option is only relevant if the equation contains curve variables. The x-values from all of the



curves that appear in the equation will be combined to give one potentially larger set of x-values, which will then be used to plot the equation curve.

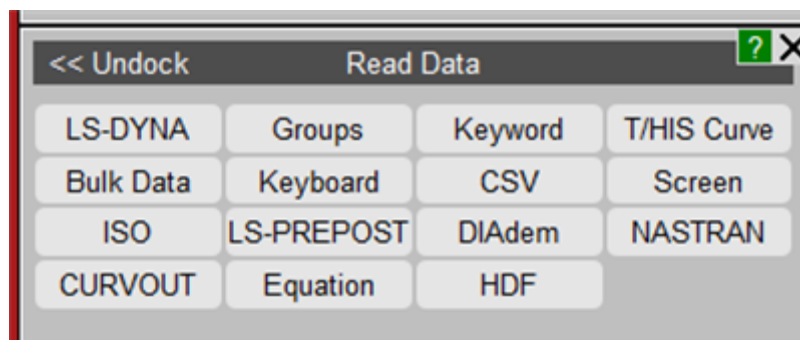
Equation curves can also be created using the JavaScript API, see 'Read.Equation' in the JavaScript API reference manual.



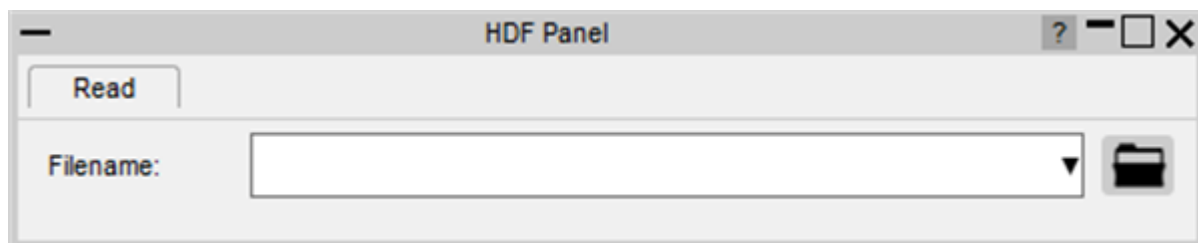
9.2.15. HDF

HDF

T/HIS can read HDF files. The version of HDF file supported in T/HIS is HDF5. HDF4 files require conversion to HDF5 before they can be read (see [Converting HDF4 to HDF5](#)). Currently, T/HIS supports Float data types within Atomic datasets and Float data types within Compound datasets. Reading HDF files is supported in FAST-TCF. We plan to improve our support for HDF in future releases of T/HIS, so please send us any feedback you have.



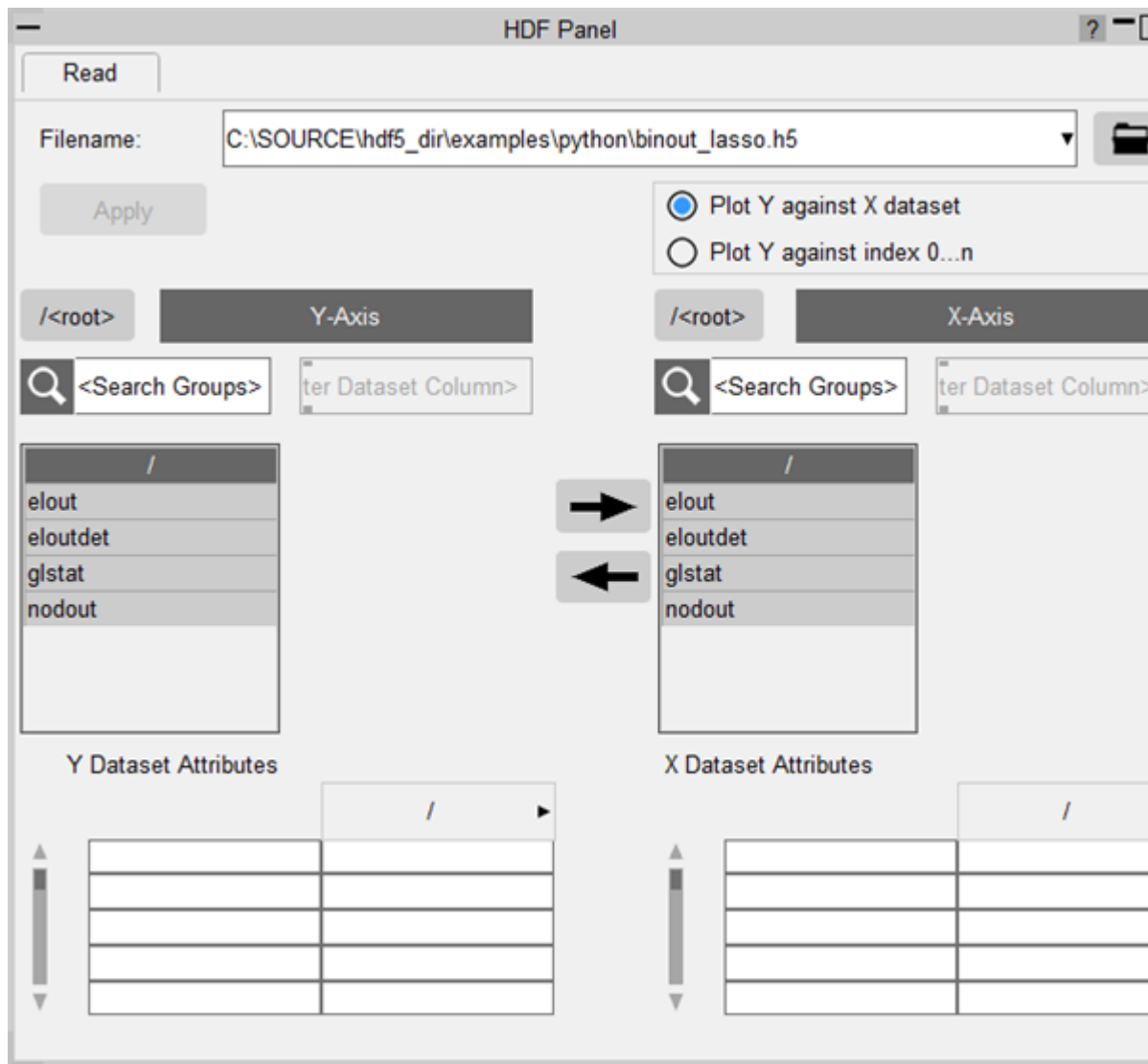
An HDF5 file can be read by entering the path in the textbox or using the file selector:



Plot Y against X dataset

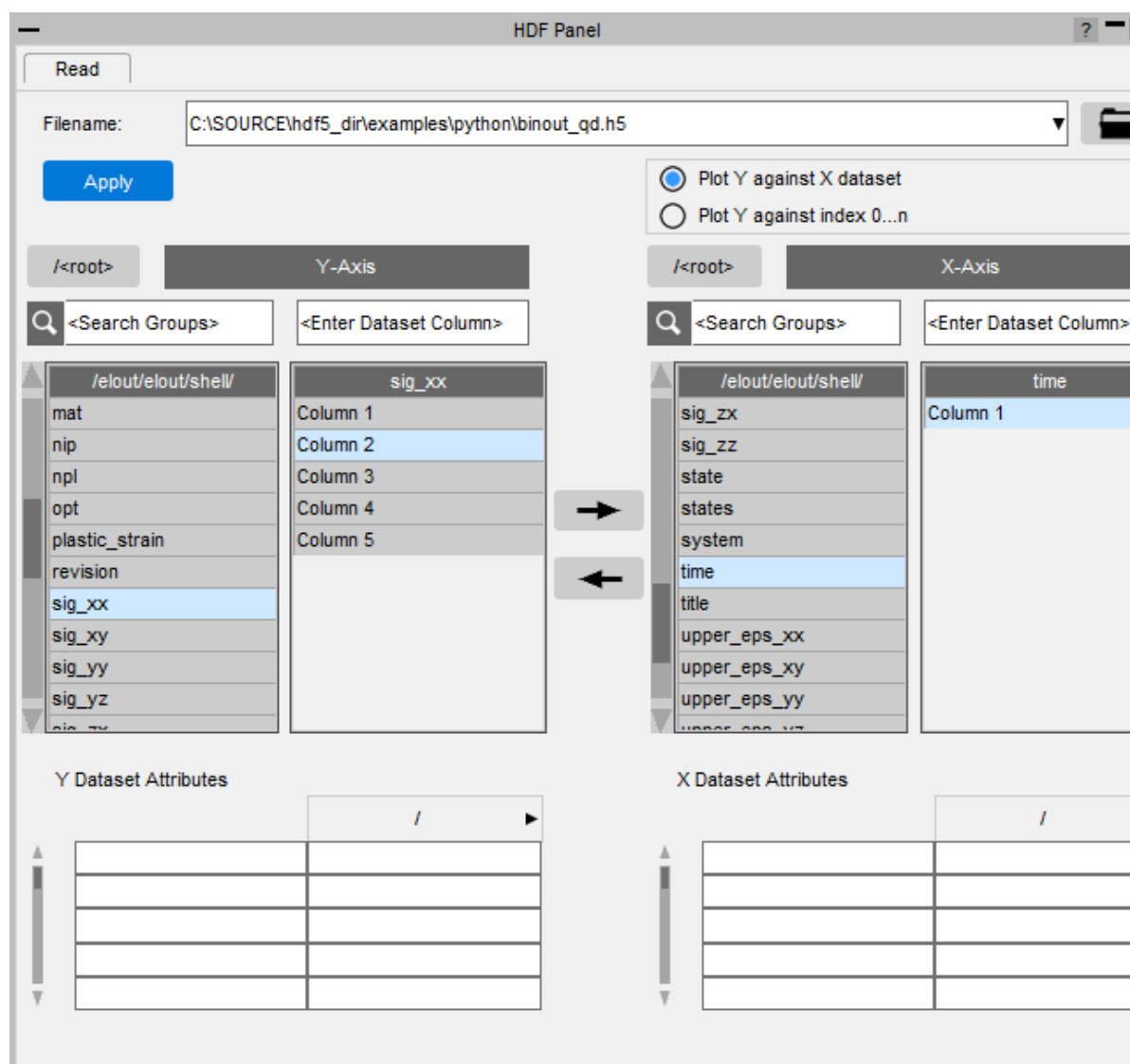
Once a valid HDF file is selected, the HDF panel will open with two navigation lists mapped in "Plot Y against X dataset" mode – one related to Y-Axis and the other for X-Axis – showing the contents in the root group (/). Using these navigation lists, the entire HDF5 file can be accessed. If the selected datasets have any associated attributes, they will be listed in the attributes lists below.

An example of a curve reading in from a HDF5 file has been shown below. The file that has been read in is a binout file converted to HDF5 format:

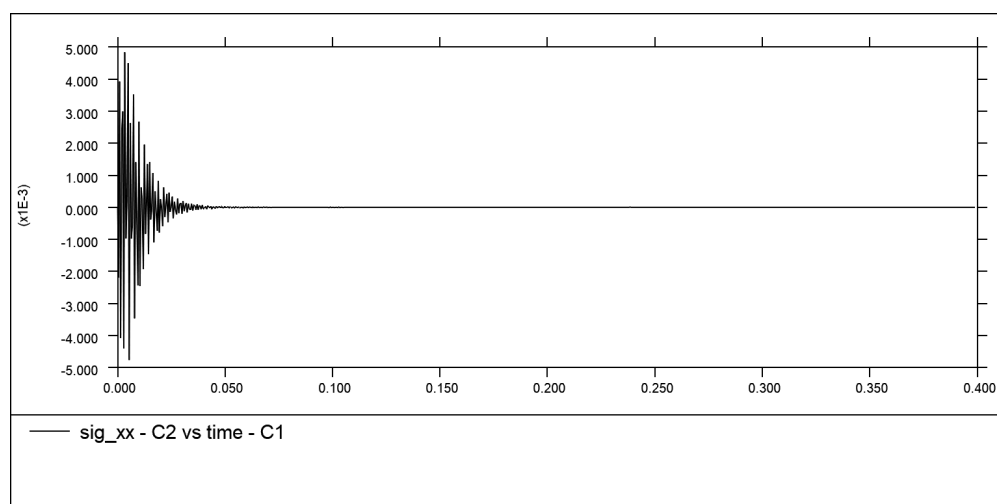


Clicking on a dataset will map an adjacent list of the dataset contents. An empty dataset box or disabled rows just means that data is not readable into T/HIS or we do not support it yet.

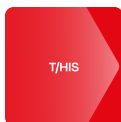
In this example, for Y-Axis we have selected **elout** → **elout** → **shell** followed by **sig_xx** (which is a 2D dataset), and selected Column 2 in the dataset list. For X-Axis we have selected **elout** → **elout** → **shell** followed by **time** (which is a 1D dataset) and selected Column 1:



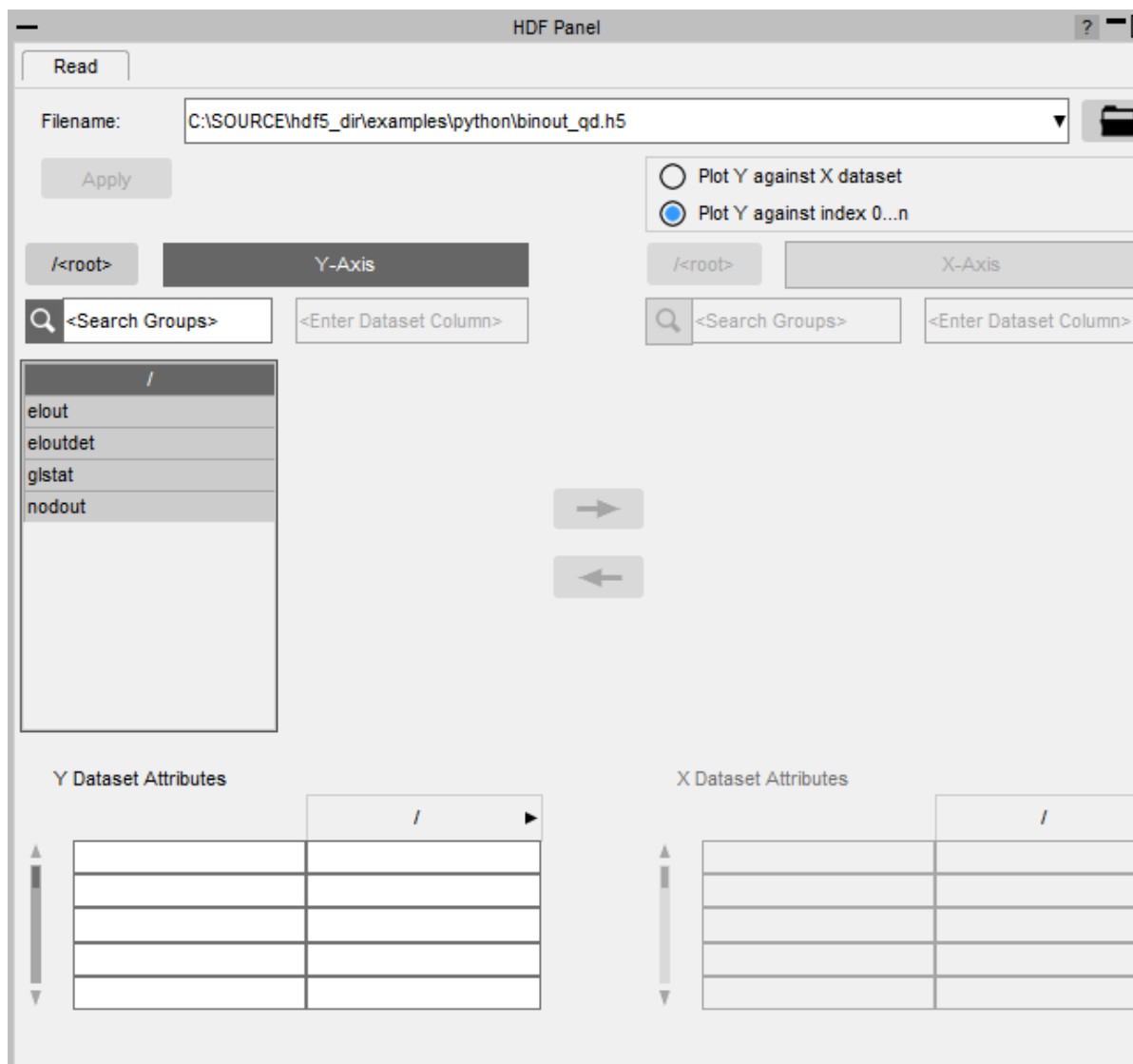
When you click **Apply**, a curve will be mapped:



Plot Y against Index 0...n

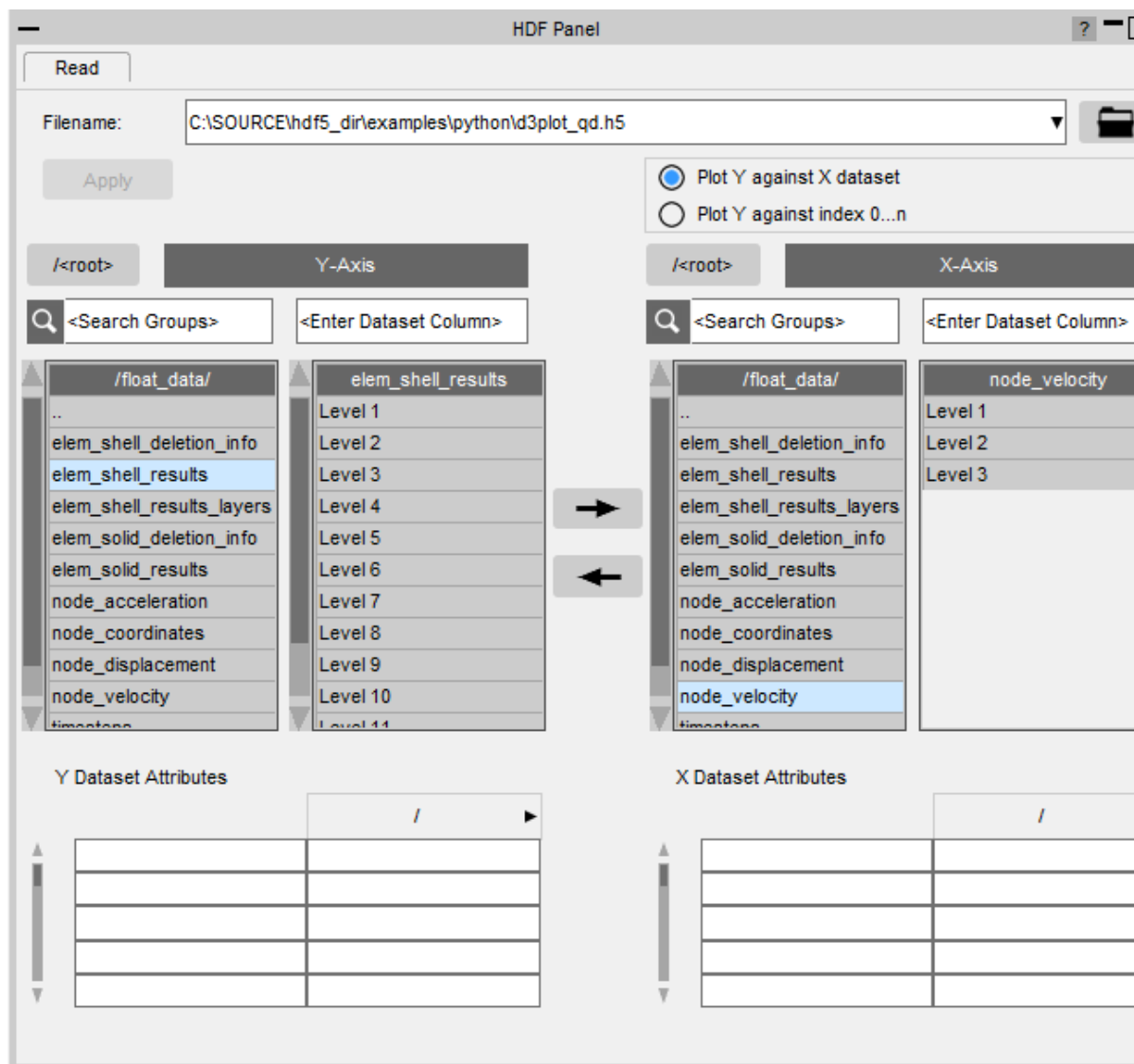


The second mode available is "Plot Y against Index 0...n", where only the Y-Axis points need to be selected. Y-values will then be plotted against their index i.e. X-values of 0, 1, 2, 3, etc.

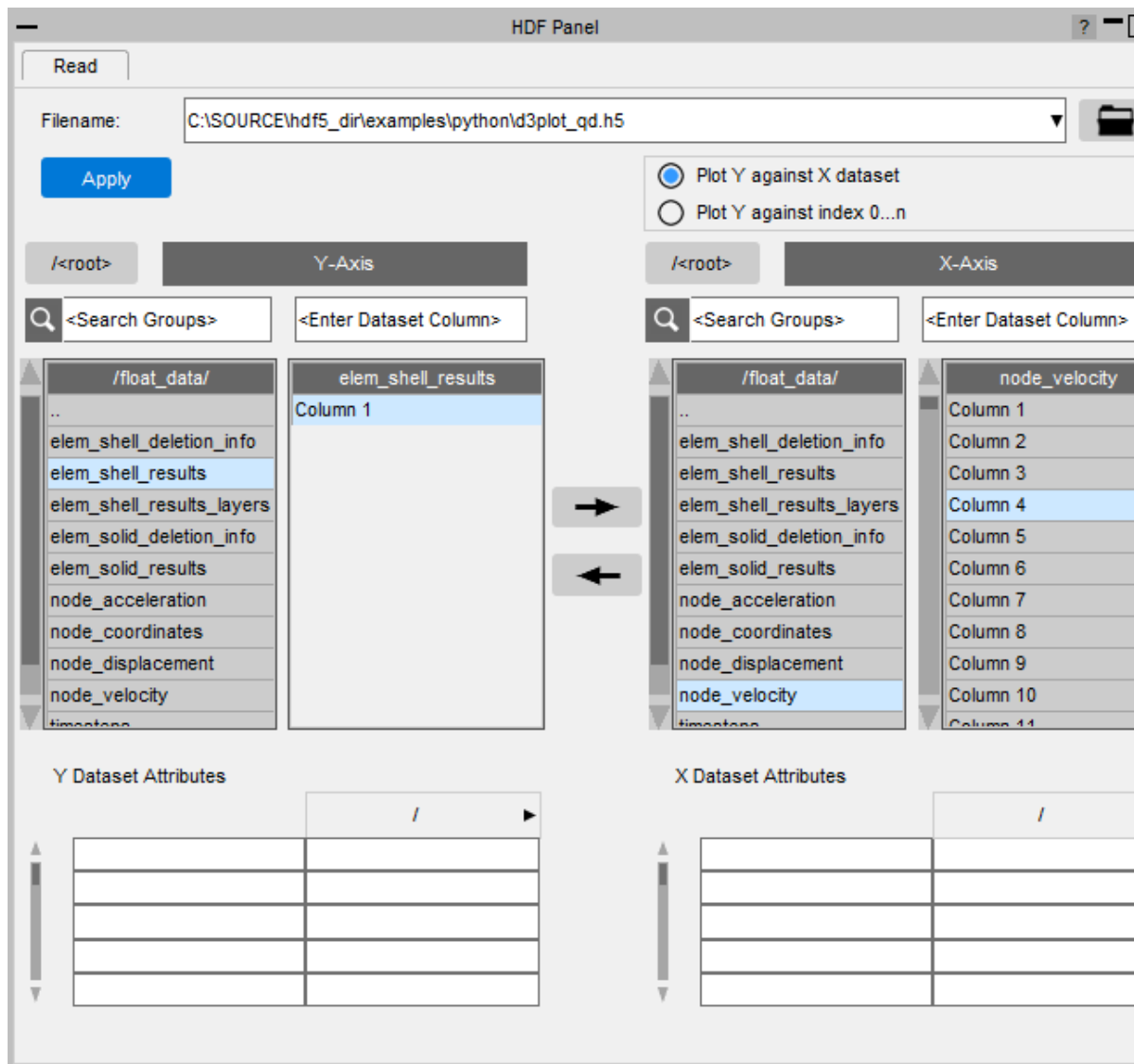


3D Datasets

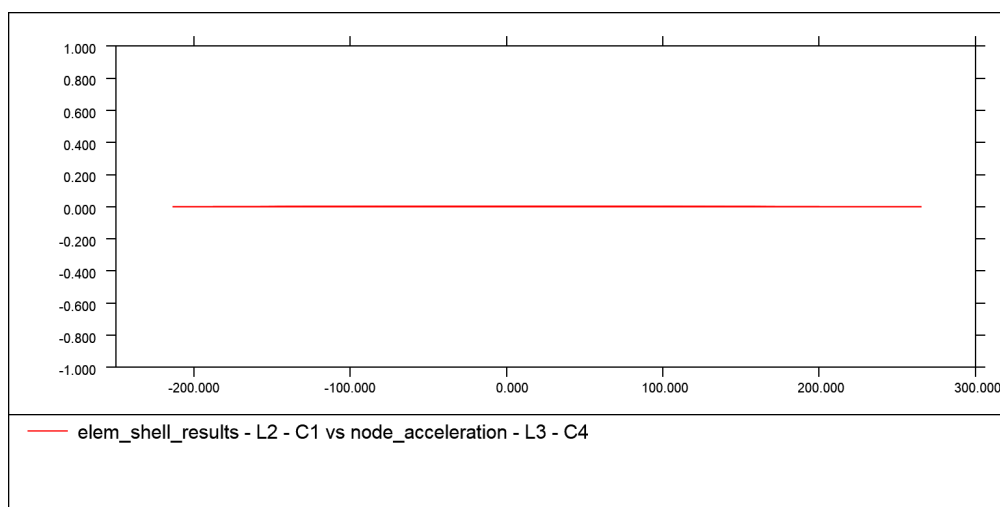
The contents of the dataset list change depending on the data. For a 1D or 2D dataset, a list of columns is shown (see previous examples) but for a 3D dataset, first the Level has to be selected:



After selecting the Level, the dataset box will show the list of Columns for selection:

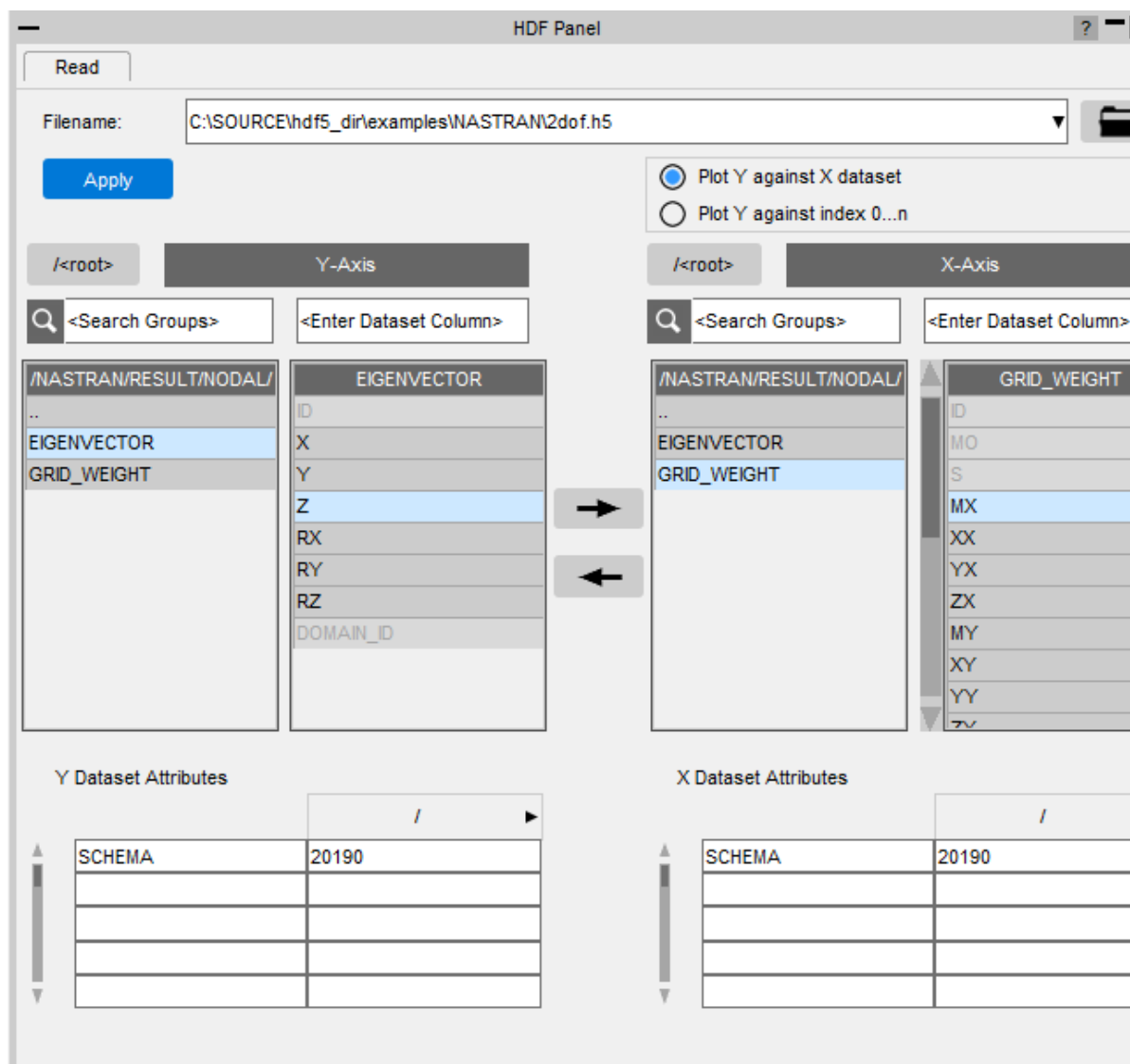


After clicking **Apply**, the curve label will show the Level and the Column selected:



Compound Datasets

For a compound dataset, the curve label shows the list label:

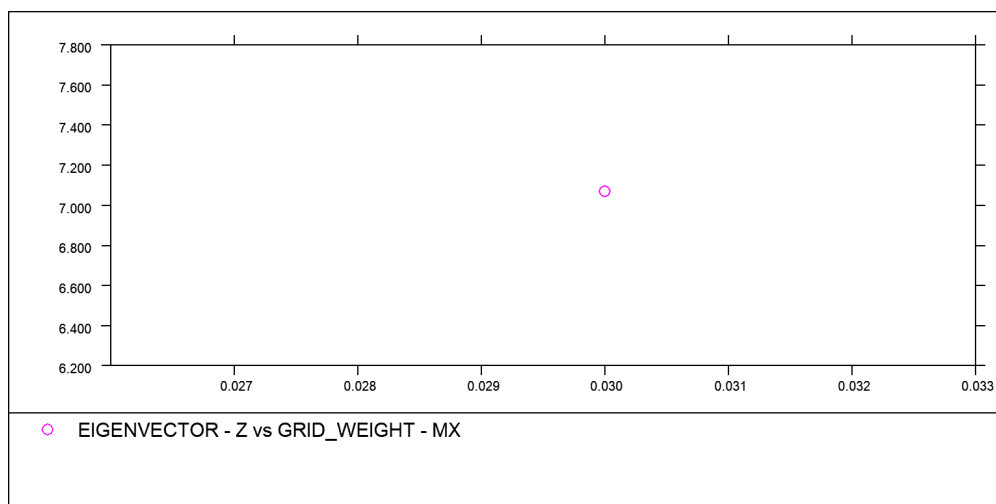


The screenshot shows the HDF Panel interface with the following configuration:

- Filename:** C:\SOURCE\hdf5_dir\examples\NASTRAN2dof.h5
- Read** button is active.
- Plot Y against X dataset** is selected.
- Y-Axis:**
 - Search Groups: /NASTRAN/RESULT/NODAL/
 - Dataset Column: EIGENVECTOR
 - Selected Column: Z
- X-Axis:**
 - Search Groups: /NASTRAN/RESULT/NODAL/
 - Dataset Column: GRID_WEIGHT
 - Selected Column: MX
- Y Dataset Attributes:**

Attribute	Value
SCHEMA	20190
- X Dataset Attributes:**

Attribute	Value
SCHEMA	20190



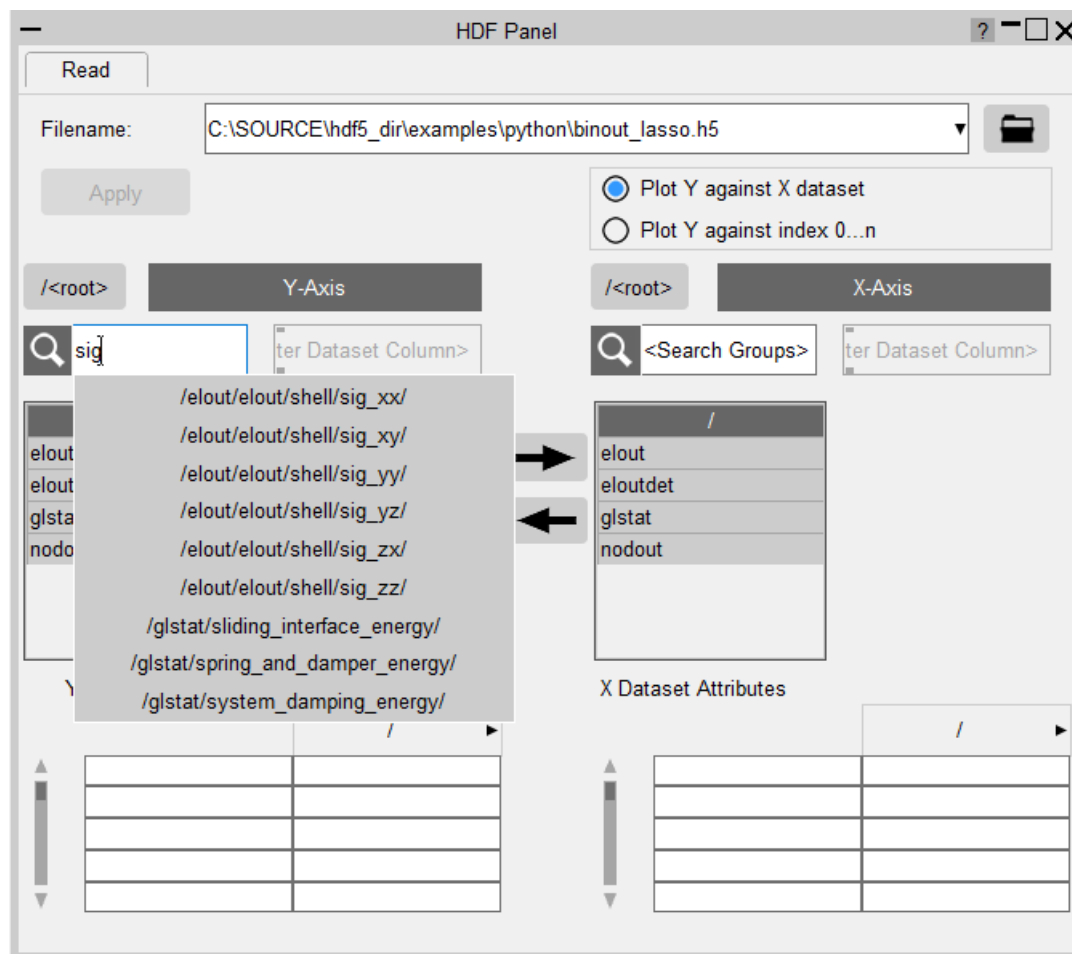


Navigation aids

Navigation aids have been introduced in order to traverse through the file easily and with minimum number of clicks.

Search

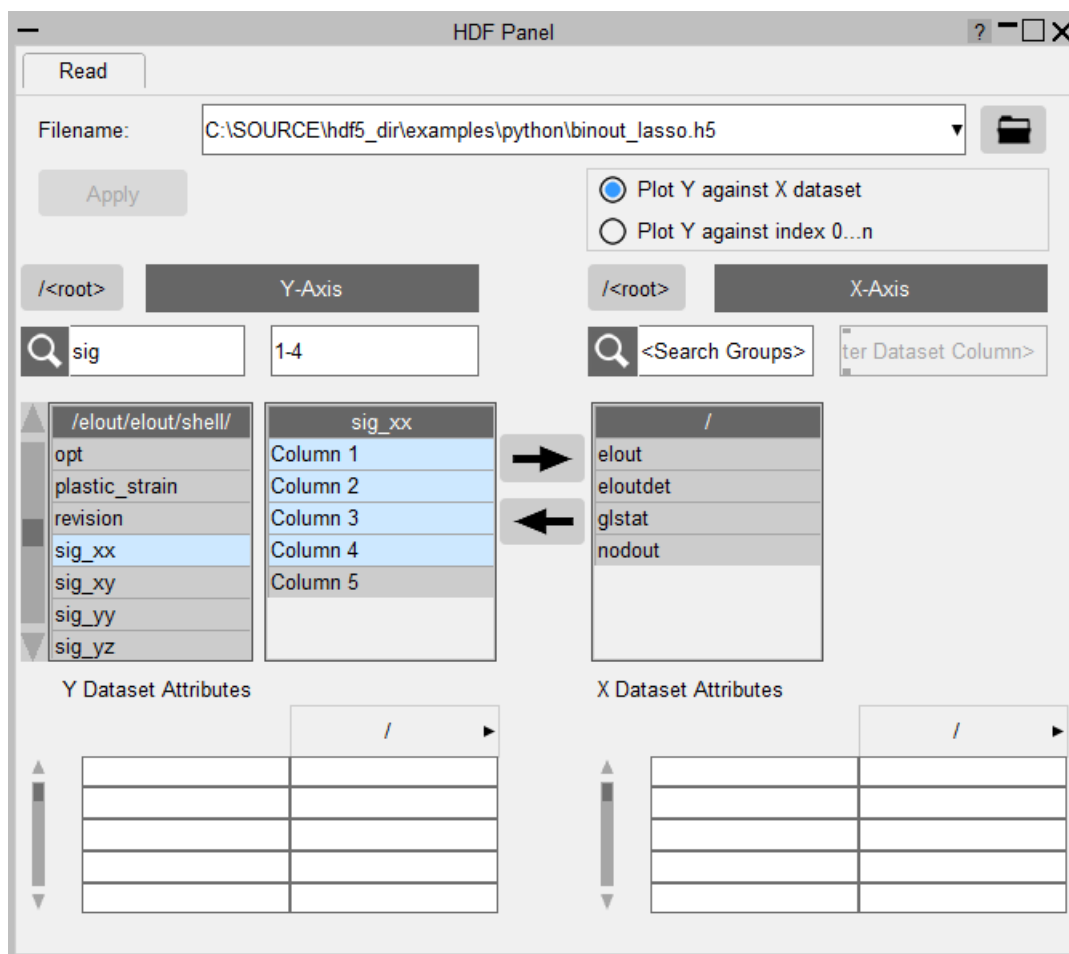
Let us consider the "Plot Y against X dataset" example above. We had to follow the sequence **elout** → **elout** → **shell** → **sig_xx**. Instead, if you already know that you want to retrieve **sig_xx** you can search for it in the **<Search Groups>** textbox directly, and select from the matching paths listed:



Column selection

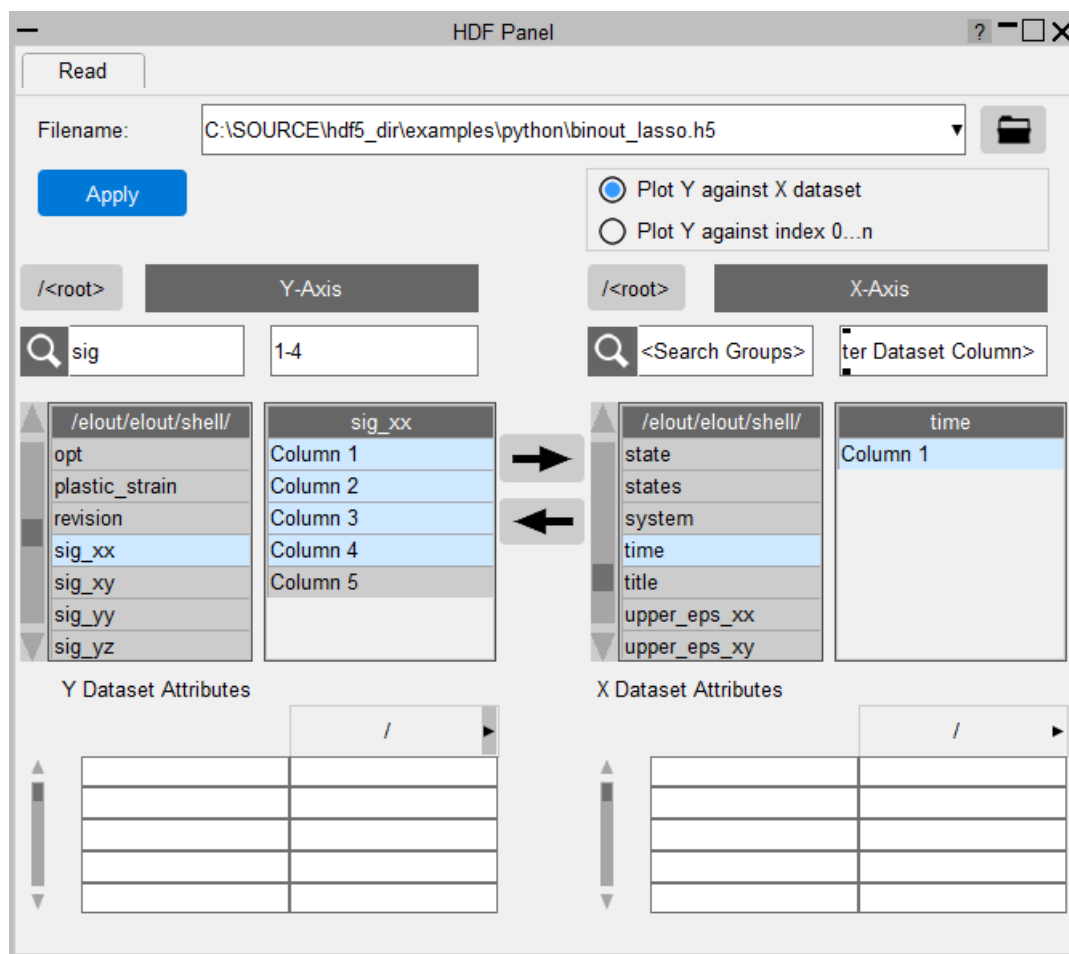
The **<Enter Dataset Column>** textbox allows you to select columns quickly. The following are all valid searches:

- "1" or "Column 1"
- "1-4" or "Column 1-4"
- "1, 2, 3, 5" or "1 2 3 5" or "Column 1, 2, 3, 5" or "Column 1 2 3 5"



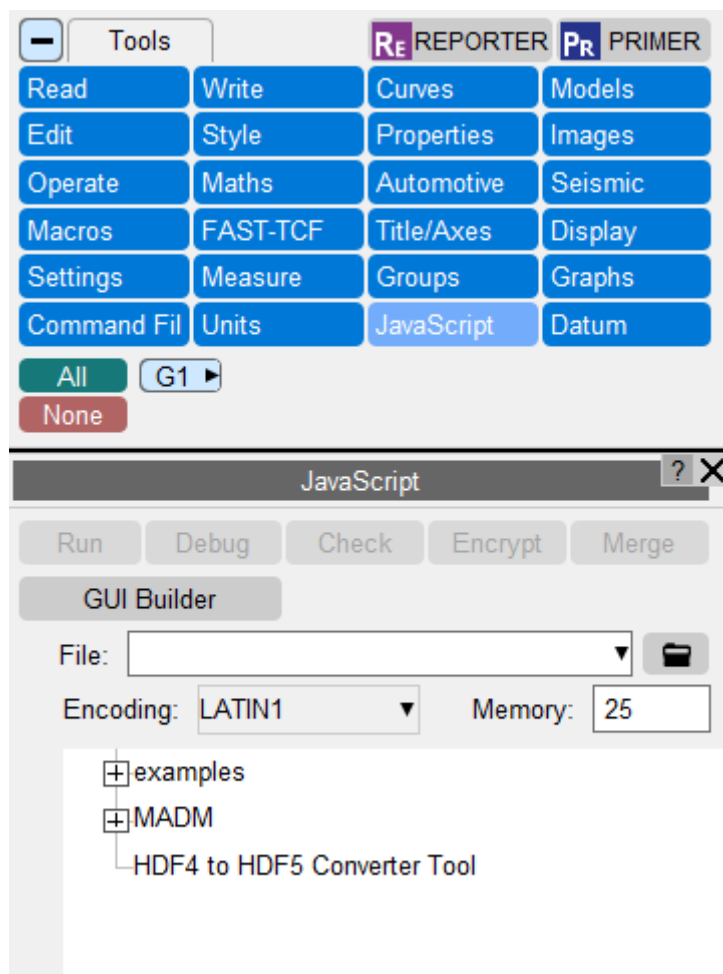
Copy path

The left and right arrows simply copy the Y-Axis path to X-Axis path and vice versa. This can make it quicker to plot *Y* versus *X* data. Supposing you wish to plot *x-stress* versus *time*. Once you have selected the **sig_xx** dataset for the Y-axis, you can copy the path to the X-Axis and quickly switch the X-Axis selection to **time** if it is in the same location in the file:



Converting HDF4 to HDF5

To convert an HDF4 file to the HDF5 format, you need to install the `h4h5tools` application, which can be found on the [HDF Group website](#) (we tested `h4h5tools-1.10.6-2.2.5-win10_64-vs15.zip`). Once installed, you can use the **HDF4 to HDF5 Converter Tool** script included with T/HIS to aid file conversion. The script converts selected HDF4 files into HDF5 files, writing the new files in the same directory as the originals. The script can be found in the T/HIS **JavaScript** menu:



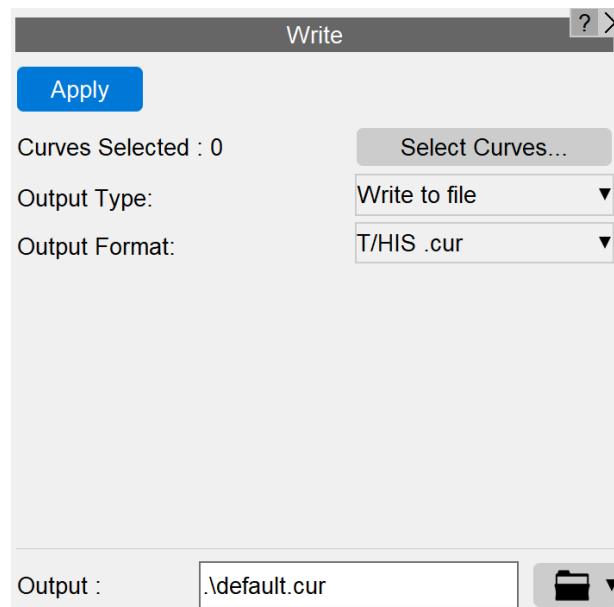
We plan to improve our support for HDF in future releases of T/HIS, so please send us any feedback you have.



9.3. WRITE Options

WRITE Options

Writes a group of curves out to a file for later use or to the screen.





9.3.1. WRITE TO FILE

WRITE TO FILE

Output Type:	Write to file ▼

Writes a group of curves out to a file for later use if required. The user is prompted for the list of curves to write out after a filename has been specified.

FILE FORMAT

Writes a group of curves out to a file for later use if required. The user is prompted for the list of curves to write out after a filename has been specified.

T/HIS .cur ▼
T/HIS .cur
LS-DYNA Keyword
NASTRAN TABLED1
CSV X,Y,X,Y,X,Y
CSV X,Y,Y,Y,Y,Y
Summary
Summary (CSV)
ISO-MME

T/HIS .cur format

This option will write out curves using the default T/HIS curve format. One curve file will be written containing all the selected curves along with their Titles, Axis Labels, Line Labels and styles. From version 9.4 onwards the curve file can also contain information on the UNIT system and the X and Y axis units for each curve (see [Appendix B](#) for more details on the curve file format)

Ansys LS-DYNA Keyword

One file will be written containing all the selected curves using the Ansys LS-DYNA *DEFINE_CURVE format so that the file is suitable for inclusion in a Ansys LS-DYNA keyword file.

NASTRAN TABLE D1

This option will write out curves using the NASTRAN TABLE D1 format. Curves are listed sequentially in the file.

CSV X,Y,X,Y,X,Y

This option will write out curves using as a CSV (comma separated variable) file that can be read into other programs like Microsoft EXCEL. The columns written are x-values for the 1st selected curve, y-values for the 1st selected curve, x-values for the 2nd selected curve, y-values for the 2nd selected curve ...



CSV X,Y,Y,Y,Y,Y

This option also writes out a CSV file. All the curves are output using a single consistent set of X values that can either be taken from one of the curves or they can be generated automatically.

Time Values:	Use Curve	▼
Curve for X-values :		...

Time Values:	Generate	▼
Start Time :	0.0000E+00	Interval : 1.0000E+00

Summary Gives a summary of the curve. This includes the type of data being plotted and the maximum and minimum values in the curve.

Summary (CSV) CSV (comma separated variable) version of the summary file.

ISO-MME

The ISO-MME format (ISO/TS 13499) is a data exchange format for crash analyses comprising a number of folders and files. Two methods exist based on the type of data source used: Curves or Models. Selecting Curves launches the Curve to ISO-MME script for export configuration which requires user input to select the curves and other options. Selecting Models requires choosing a model for T/HIS to extract the data from and provide a configuration file to specify what data should be written out.

This extra configuration is needed because the naming conventions of the output files, set out in the ISO standard, follow specific rules which require extra data that isn't present in the curves alone and they also contain lines at the top of the files which describe the data in more detail. The contents of the configuration file are described in [ISO-MME Configuration File](#).

In addition, an output directory is specified rather than a output file since multiple files are written out.

A side by side comparison of the panel for output format ISO-MME with Data Source set to Curves and Models is shown below:



Write

?

✕

Apply

Output Type:

Write to file

▼

Output Format:

ISO-MME

▼

Data Source:

☐ Curves

☒ Model

Model #:

*** Select Model ***

▼

Config file:

▼

Output :

.

▼

Write

?

✕

Next

Output Type:

Write to file

▼

Output Format:

ISO-MME

▼

Data Source:

☒ Curves

☐ Model

And this is how the Curve to ISO-MME script popup that appears when the "Next" button is pressed looks like.



From version 9.4 onwards the CSV files generated by T/HIS can also contain information on the UNIT system and the X and Y axis units for each curve. If you don't want to output this information then you can turn it off.

The default setting for this option can be set via the preference option

```
this*write_csv_units:
```

This option can also be turned on and off in FAST-TCF scripts (see [FAST-TCF](#))

ISO-MME Configuration File

The ISO-MME configuration file is a JSON format file which is used to tell T/HIS which curves to generate: the data to extract, from which entities to extract it, their locations in the model and whether any filtering or operations are required. This configuration file is required so T/HIS can write various ISO-MME files with the correct names and any additional data required at the top of the files.

To set the scene, the structure of the directory where various files get written out and the files it contains is:

ISO-MME Version 1.6	ISO-MME Version 2.0
Output Dir -- <Virtual Testing reference ID>.mme <= Test Data	Output Dir -- <testname>.mme <= Test information file



<pre> -- Channel -- <Virtual Testing reference ID>.chn <= Channel index file -- <Virtual Testing reference ID>.001 <= Channel data files -- <Virtual Testing reference ID>.002 . -- <Virtual Testing reference ID>.003 .</pre>	<pre> -- Channel -- <testname>_Channel.mmi <= Channel index file -- <testname>_<channel_code>.mmd <= Channel data files -- <testname>_<channel_code>.mmd . -- <testname>_<channel_code>.mmd . -- Object -- <testname>_<object_code>.mmi <= Object files -- <testname>_<object_code>.mmi . -- <testname>_<object_code>.mmi .</pre>

Test information file (.mme file)

The test information file describes the test and the objects (vehicles, dummies, barriers) in it. As an example:

ISO-MME Version 1.6	ISO-MME Version 2.0
<pre>Data format edition number :1.6 Customer name :ARUP Customer test ref. number :NOVALUE Customer project ref. number:9999 Title :NOVALUE Timestamp :2022-09-29 13:30:00 Type of the test :NOVALUE Subtype of the test :NOVALUE Virtual Testing reference ID:NOVALUE Regulation :NOVALUE Date of the test :2022-10-02 Name of test object 1 :NOVALUE</pre>	<pre>Type of data source :Simulation Data format edition number :2.0 Timestamp :2020-11-10 Laboratory name :Arup Laboratory contact name :NOVALUE Laboratory contact phone :NOVALUE Laboratory contact fax :NOVALUE Laboratory contact email :NOVALUE Laboratory test ref number :NOVALUE Type of the test :NOVALUE Subtype of the test :NOVALUE Regulation :NOVALUE</pre>



Ref. number of test object 1:NOVALUE Velocity test object 1 lon. :NOVALUE Velocity test object 1 lat. :NOVALUE Mass test object 1 :1230 Driver position object 1 :3 Impact side test object 1 :LE Name of test object 2 :NOVALUE Ref. number of test object 2:NOVALUE Velocity test object 2 lon. :NOVALUE Velocity test object 2 lat. :NOVALUE Mass test object 2 :1230 Driver position object 2 :2 Impact side test object 2 :LE	Date of the test :NOVALUE Number of test objects :2 #Begin of testobject Type :D Filename :my_test_D0.mmi #End of testobject #Begin of testobject Type :1 Filename :my_test_1.mmi #End of testobject

Object files (.mmi file)

These files are only present in ISO-MME Version 2.0. The object files describe each object in the test, for example:

```
Name :H350
Velocity :NOVALUE
Mass :NOVALUE
Impact side :00
#Begin of biomechanical
Gender :male
Age :21
#End of biomechanical
```

Channel index file (.chn or .mmi file)

The channel index file lists the channel data files:

ISO-MME Version 1.6 (.chn file)	ISO-MME Version 2.0 (.mmi file)
Instrumentation standard : Not applicable Number of channels :7 Name of channel 001 :13HEAD0000WSACX0 Name of channel 002 :13HEAD0000WSACY0 Name of channel 003 :13HEAD0000WSACZ0	Number of channels :3 Data origin :S Data source : simulation #Begin of channel Extended channel code :D0HEADMI0000000B #End of channel #Begin of channel



Name of channel 004 :13HEAD0000WSDCX0	Extended channel code :D0CHSTMI0000000C #End of channel #Begin of channel Extended channel code :D0PELVMI0000000C #End of channel

Channel data files (.001 or .mmd file)

The channel data file that gives the details about the curve:

ISO-MME Version 1.6 (.001 file)	ISO-MME Version 2.0 (.mmd file)
Test object number :1 Name of the channel : Laboratory channel code :NOVALUE Customer channel code :NOVALUE Channel code :13HEAD0000WSACX0 Unit :m / (s * s) Reference system :NOVALUE Transducer type :NOVALUE Pre-filter type :NOVALUE Cut off frequency :NOVALUE Channel amplitude class :NOVALUE Sampling interval :0.0001 Bit resolution :NOVALUE Time of first sample :NOVALUE Number of samples :1999 -0.42144 -0.00030 -0.00028	Data structure :Channel Instrumentation standard :NOVALUE Name of the channel :Accel x - Node 52503304 : (PelvisAccel_INJURY) (Reg 0.100E-03) (C 180) Data source :simulation Data status :ok Cut off frequency :NOVALUE Channel amplitude class :NOVALUE Sampling interval :0.0001 Bit resolution :NOVALUE Time of first sample :0 Number of samples :1500 Reference channel :implicit #Start of data -6.09125e-05 -1785.28 -3315.55 . . #End of data

Configuration structure

Below is an illustration of the configuration file structure.



- **Test data:** At the top of the file is a list of test data properties, followed by a list of descriptors for the test.
- **Objects array:** Next is a list of objects (e.g. vehicles, dummies, barriers) and their properties and descriptors.

Channels and Operations arrays are used to specify the Curve properties to output required curves:

- **Channels array:** Each channel in the array is defined as an object with properties such as **entityType**, id, etc. to create a single curve with its ISO-MME channel code defined in properties like **mainLocation**, **fineLocation** etc.
- **Operations array:** Each operation object defines an operation to be performed on any previously defined or multiple curves. Operations can be chained together. The final output should be an ISO-MME channel code.

Configuration File Structure

```
{
|
|  -- Test Data Property 1
|  -- Test Data Property 2
|  -- Test Data Property 3
|  -- Descriptors
|      |  -- Descriptor 1
|      |  -- Descriptor 2
|
|  -- Object Type 1
|      |  -- Object 11
|      |      |  -- Property 1
|      |      |  -- Property 2
|      |      |  -- Descriptors
|      |          |  -- Descriptor 1
|      |          |  -- Descriptor 2
|
|      |  -- Object 12
|      |      |  -- Property 1
|      |      |  -- Property 2
|
|  -- Object Type 2
|      |  -- Object 21
|      |      |  -- Property 1
|      |      |  -- Property 2
|
|      |  -- Object 22
|      |      |  -- Property 1
|      |      |  -- Property 2
|
|
|  -- Channels
|      |  -- Channel 1
|      |      |  -- Channel Property 1
|      |      |  -- Channel Property 2
```



```
|
|
|      | -- Channel 2
|      |      | -- Channel Property 1
|      |      | -- Channel Property 2
|
|      | -- Channel 3
|      |      | -- Channel Property 1
|      |      | -- Channel Property 2
|      |      | -- Descriptors
|      |      |      | -- Descriptor 1
|      |      |      | -- Descriptor 2
|
| -- Operations
|      | -- Operation 1
|      |      | -- Operation Property 1
|      |      | -- Operation Property 2
|
|      | -- Operation 2
|      |      | -- Operation Property 1
|      |      | -- Operation Property 2
|      |      | -- Descriptors
|      |      |      | -- Descriptor 1
|      |      |      | -- Descriptor 2
|
}
```

Configuration file example

Below is an example configuration file, showing all the available options that can be set. Not all of them are required – the list below shows which ones are optional and what they can be set to.

Copy Code
JSON

```
{
  "testNaodel": "U2",
  "unitSystemDisplay": "U1",
  "xAxisInterval": 0.0001,
  "mandatoryHeaders": false,
  "descriptors": [
    {
      "description": "Type of data source",
      "value": "Simulation"
    },
    {
      "description": "Dummy Simulation Model Specification",
      "value": "WSID 50 M v3.4.1"
    }
  ],
  "dummies": [
    {
      "testObject": "1",
```

```

        "position": "1",
        "vehicleTestObject": "1",
        "name": "PDB WSID 50M 4.0",
        "gender": "male"
    }
],
"vehicles": [
    {
        "testObject": "1",
        "position": "0",
        "driverPosition": "1",
        "name": "Lighting McQueen",
        "refNumber": "NO VALUE",
        "mass": "NO VALUE",
        "impactSide": "RI",
        "descriptors": [
            {
                "description": "Vehicle Model",
                "value": "95"
            }
        ]
    }
],
"channels": [
    {
        "testObject": "1",
        "position": "1",
        "mainLocation": "ABRI",
        "fineLocation1": "RI",
        "fineLocation2": "01",
        "fineLocation3": "WS",
        "physicalDimension": "AN",
        "direction": "#",
        "entityType": "spring",
        "component": "rotation",
        "xAxisInterval": 0.0001,
        "id": 10324,
        "write": false,
        "testObjectHeaderNumber": "1"
    },
    {
        "testObject": "1",
        "position": "1",
        "mainLocation": "ABRI",
        "fineLocation1": "RI",
        "fineLocation2": "02",
        "fineLocation3": "WS",
        "physicalDimension": "AN",
        "direction": "#",
        "entityType": "spring",
        "component": "rotation",
        "id": 10325,
        "write": false,

```

```

    "testObjectHeaderNumber": "1"
  },
  {
    "testObject": "0",
    "position": "0",
    "mainLocation": "EKIN",
    "fineLocation1": "SU",
    "fineLocation2": "00",
    "fineLocation3": "00",
    "direction": "0",
    "physicalDimension": "EN",
    "entityType": "whole",
    "filter": "C",
    "component": "kinetic",
    "write": true,
    "testObjectHeaderNumber": "1"
  },
  {
    "testObject": "0",
    "position": "0",
    "mainLocation": "EHOU",
    "fineLocation1": "SU",
    "fineLocation2": "00",
    "fineLocation3": "00",
    "direction": "0",
    "physicalDimension": "EN",
    "entityType": "whole",
    "filter": "A",
    "component": "hourglass",
    "write": true,
    "testObjectHeaderNumber": "1",
    "descriptors": [
      {
        "description": "Energy Type",
        "value": "Hourglass Energy"
      }
    ]
  }
],
"operations": [
  {
    "operation": "sub",
    "input": [
      "11ABRIRI02WSAN#0",
      1.570796
    ],
    "output": "11ABRIRI02WSANZ0",
    "write": false
  },
  {
    "operation": "c180",
    "input": [
      "11ABRIRI02WSANZ0"
    ]
  }
],

```



```
"output": "11ABRIRI02WSANZC",
"write": true,
"descriptors": [
  {
    "description": "Abdomen Compression valid Value",
    "value": "46"
  },
  {
    "description": "Abdomen Compression Invalid Value",
    "value": "65"
  }
]
}
]
```

Configuration file properties

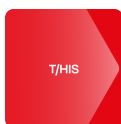
The following tables list all the required and optional properties and what they can be set to. If they aren't set, the default value is used.

Some values should follow the guidance in the ISO Related Electronic Documents A and B (RED A and RED B) and they are indicated below. They can be found on the [ISO-MME forum](#).

Test Data properties

The first Table specifies the Test Data properties which provide details about the test. It is necessary to include **testName** and **formatVersion**.

Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
testName	Name of test. This is used for the test directory name and in the filenames.	Any value	-	String	Required



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
formatVersion	Format Version specifies the ISO-MME output version required.	1.6 or 2.0	2.0	String	Required
thisVersion	T/HIS Build Version	Any Numerical value. For Eg:- "21.0"	-	String	Required
thisBuildNumber	T/HIS Build Number	Any numerical value. For Eg:- "6100"	-	String	Required
timestamp	A timestamp dates. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value, but the expected format is "yyyy-mm-dd".	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
laboratoryName	The laboratory name. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
laboratoryContactName	The laboratory contact name. It is written in	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional



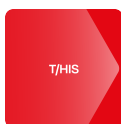
Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	the header of the test information *.mme file.				
laboratoryContactPhone	The laboratory contact phone number. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
laboratoryContactFax	The laboratory contact fax number. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
laboratoryContactEmail	The laboratory contact email. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
laboratoryTestRef	The laboratory test reference. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
typeOfTest	The test type. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	See the ISO Related Electronic Document A for valid values, e.g. "Frontal Impact".	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
subtypeOfTest	The test subtype. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	See the ISO Related Electronic Document A for valid values, e.g. "0 Degree Active".	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
virtualTestingRefere nceld	The virtual testing ref id is used to write the filename for channel index file and	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	string	Optional



Property	Descripti on	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessi ty
	channel data file.				
typeOfDataSource	Type of data source. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value.	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
regulation	The test regulation . It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	See the ISO Related Electronic Document A for valid values, e.g. "EuroNCAP".	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
testDate	The date of the test. It is written in the header of the test information *.mme file.	Any value, but the expected format is "yyyy-mm-dd".	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
unitSystemModel	Used to set up units for model. If these are not provided the units would be	"U1","U2","U3","U4","U5","U6".	blank	String	Optional



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	as they were prior to write ISO-MME or undefined if units were not set.				
unitSystemDisplay	Used to set up units for display. Will be set to SI if model units specified and display units not specified.	"U1","U2","U3","U4","U5","U6".	blank	String	Optional
xAxisInterval	Used to specify X Axis Interval for all curves to regularised.	0 to 1e-7	blank	Number	Optional
mandatoryHeaders	Used to specify whether mandatory headers are to be included.	true or false	true	boolean	Optional

Descriptor properties



Along with the predefined properties listed in the tables detailing about Test, Objects and Channels, you can define any additional descriptor you like by providing a description and value using the syntax in the table below.

The descriptor JSON object allows you to define any number of descriptors that can appear in the ISO MME files:

- Test data file (.mme) if defined in Test data block
- Object files (.mmi) if defined in Object blocks
- Data Files (.001 or. mmd) if defined in Channel or Operation blocks

To provide any valid description/value please see the details below.

Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
description	The Name of the Property for which you are creating the description.	This is supposed to mentioned as String as required by protocols. For eg. "Time step setting", "Number of CPUs"	NOVALUE	String	Optional
value	The Property which is defined in the 'description' is specified a value in this section.	This can be either string or integer for example -0.2 or " Value"	NOVALUE	Number or String	Optional

Object arrays

The table lists the 'Standard' object types that are supported by T/HIS. Currently T/HIS supports the following objects:

Objects	Description	Properties	Definition String	Default TestObject
vehicles	The vehicles array contains vehicle objects.	name, velocity, mass, impactSide	"vehicles"	Numerical starting from 1

Objects	Description	Properties	Definition String	Default TestObject
dummies	The dummies array contains dummy objects.	name, gender, age, position	"dummies"	'D'
barriers	The barriers array contains barrier objects.	name, barrierWidth, barrierHeight, yawAngle	"barriers"	'B'
mobileBarriers	The mobileBarriers array contains mobile barrier objects.	name, barrierWidth, barrierHeight, yawAngle	"mobileBarriers"	'M'

Object properties

This table lists the properties that are supported by T/HIS for different objects. The properties provide details about the object.

Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
testObject	testObject classification. It is the first character in the ISO-MME channel code. This property is used to name Object files (.mmi)	See the 'Test Object' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "1", "2", "D" etc.	"D" for Dummies "B" for Barriers "M" for mobileBarriers Numerical Value for Vehicle	String	Required
position	The dummy's position in the vehicle. It is the	See the 'Position' section in	"0"	String	Required



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	second character in the ISO-MME channel code. This property is used to name Object files(.mmi)	the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "1", "2".			
name	The test object name. It is written in the header of the object *.mmi file for Version 2.0 and mentioned in *.mme in Version 1.6.	Any value	blank	String	Optional
velocity	The object's velocity. It is written in the header of the object *.mmi file.	Any value	"NOVALUE"	Number	Optional
mass	The object's mass. It is written in the header of the object *.mmi file.	Any value	"NOVALUE"	Number	Optional
impactSide	It is written in the header of the object *.mmi file.	See the 'Fine Location 1' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g., "LE", "LO".	"00"	String	Optional



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
gender	The dummy gender. It is written in the object *.mmi file.	Any value	"NOVALUE"	String	Optional
age	The dummy age. It is written in the object *.mmi file.	Any value	"NOVALUE"	Number	Optional
barrierWidth	The barrier width. It is written in the object *.mmi file.	Any value	0.0	Number	Optional
barrierHeight	The barrier height. It is written in the object *.mmi file.	Any value	0.0	Number	Optional
yawAngle	The barrier yaw angle. It is written in the object *.mmi file.	Any value	0.0	Number	Optional

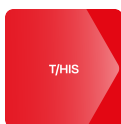
Channel Data properties

Channel Properties are used to define details about the Channel.

Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
testObject	testObject classification. It is the first character in the ISO-MME	See the 'Test Object' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "1", "2", "D" etc.	"D" for Dummies "B" for Barriers "M" for mobileBarriers	String	Required



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	channel code.		Numerical Value for Vehicle		
position	The dummy's position in the vehicle. It is the second character in the ISO-MME channel code.	See the 'Position' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "1", "2".	"0"	String	Required
mainLocation	Main location on the object. This is required for the channel code.	See the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "HEAD", "CHST".	-	String	Required
entityType	The Ansys LS-DYNA entity types to extract data for.	A FAST-TCF data extraction keyword (See Section 7.4.5), e.g. "node", "beam"	-	String	Required
id	The Ansys LS-DYNA entity ID to extract	This can be the numerical ID or a *DATABASE_HISTORY_ID name or an array of IDs or names.	-	Number, String, Array of String or	Optional



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	data for.	If an array is defined, the output generated is the sum of the individual curves. In either case, the IDs/names should be specified as a string or number, e.g. "100", 100, "my_node_id", [100, 200, 101], ["my_node_id_1", "my_node_id_2"]. The <id> property is not required for global data (e.g. global kinetic energy).		Numbers	
component	The component to read.	FAST-TCF data extraction component words (See Section 7.4.5), e.g. "displacement x", "energy"	-	String	Required
source	The LS-DYNA file to read data from.	A FAST-TCF file keyword (See Section 7.4.2.1), e.g. "lsda", "thf"	Blank (will extract data from the default file for the specified entity type).	String	Optional
fineLocation1	Fine location on the object. This is	See the 'Fine Location 1' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "IN", "OU".	"00"	String	Optional



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	used for the channel code.				
fineLocation2	Fine location on the object. This is used for the channel code.	See the 'Fine Location 2' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "IN", "OU".	"00"	String	Optional
fineLocation3	Fine location on the object. This is used for the channel code.	See the 'Fine Location 3' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "IN", "OU".	"00"	String	Optional
physicalDimension	Physical dimension data is determined automatically from the required "component" property but can be overwritten with this optional property.	See the 'Physical Dimension' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "AN", "DS".	"00"	String	Optional



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	This is used for the channel code.				
direction	The data direction is determined automatically from the required "component" property but can be overwritten with this optional property. This is used for the channel code.	See the 'Direction' section in the ISO Related Electronic Document B for valid values, e.g. "R", "X".	"0"	String	Optional
xAxis Interval	Used to specify x Axis Interval for the curve to be regularised. This will override the x Axis Interval	0 to 1e-7	blank	Number	Optional

Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
	property specified in test info block				
filter	A filter to use on the extracted data.	The Filter Class Code are positioned 16 th in the ISO-MME Channel Code. The following Filter Class Code are supported by T/HIS: -	blank (UnFiltered)	String	Optional
		Filter Class Code			
		Description			
		"0"			
		Unfiltered			
		"1"			
		FIR100			
		"2"			
		Combined A and B			
		"A"			
		CFC1000			
		"B"			
		CFC600			
		"C"			
		CFC180			
		"D"			
		CFC60			
		"E"			
		CFC1000			
		"F"			
		CFC600			
		"G"			
		CFC180			
		"H"			
		CFC60			
write	An option to select whether the curve should be written to ISO-MME format.	Acceptable values are 'true' and 'false'. The default case is taken as true. If set to false, at the end of the ISO-MME writing process in FAST-TCF, the curve is deleted.	true	Boolean	Optional



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
testObjectHeader Number	Variable to specify test Object Number	Any alphanumeric character	First Letter of the ISO-Code	String	Optional

Operation Data properties

Some ISO-MME channels can be written directly from the Ansys LS-DYNA results data. However, many require further operations, for example to apply filtering or convert a rotation sensor to a displacement. Each operation takes one or more inputs, uses FAST-TCF to perform the underlying operation, and produces an output. You can “chain” several operations together to produce the desired final output. Intermediate outputs can be given any name; the final output names must match the desired ISO-MME channel code. The following table lists the properties required to define each operation.

Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
operation	The type of operation to be performed on the input curves.	The accepted values for the operation are FAST-TCF Operation values as mentioned in Section 7.8 operation commands (e.g. "muly", "add").	-	String	Required
input	To process operations by FAST-TCF File, T/HIS requires arguments based on the type of operation.	Accepted inputs are ISO-MME channel codes for already created curves in the channel block or output curves created in Operation Block, or Numerical Values. The elements in the Input array are	-	Array of strings or Numbers	Required



Property	Description	Valid values	Default	Type	Necessity
		required to be in same order as mentioned in FAST-TCF Manual 7.8. Eg:- ["11ABRIRI02WSAN#0", 1.570796]			
output	The output property is used to specify the FAST-TCF curve tag.	For intermediate operation outputs, this can be any string. For the final output, this should be a valid ISO-MME channel code. Eg:- "intermediate curve" or "11ABRIRI02WSANZC"	-	String	Required
write	An option to select whether the curve should be outputted.	Acceptable values are 'true' and 'false'. The default case is taken as true. If set to false, at the end of the ISO-MME writing process in FAST-TCF, the curve is deleted.	true	Boolean	Optional



9.3.2. WRITE TO SCREEN

WRITE TO SCREEN

Writes data to a text window on the screen.

Output Type: Write to screen ▼

OUTPUT FORMAT

List
Summary
Scan

LIST

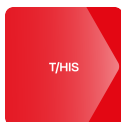
This option will write out all the points in the selected curves.

Summary

Gives a summary of the curve. This includes the type of data being plotted and the maximum and minimum values in the curve.

SCAN

Scans a group of curves and reports the maxima and minima values for each individual curve along with the overall maxima and minima



9.4. Curve Manager

Curve Manager

In screen menu mode curves are managed using the **CURVE MANAGER** window, shown in the figure (below).

By default the **CURVE MANAGER** menu only displays 1000 curves. An unlimited amount of curves can be used and these are displayed in the menu in blocks of 1000. If an attempt is made to use a curve higher than 1000 then the Range options are used to select which group of 1000 curves you wish to display.

Against each curve that currently contains information is a curve number button. The colour of this button indicates the current blanking status of a curve



The curve is unblanked in all active graphs ([Active Graphs](#))



The curve is blanked in all active graphs



The curve is unblanked in some active graphs

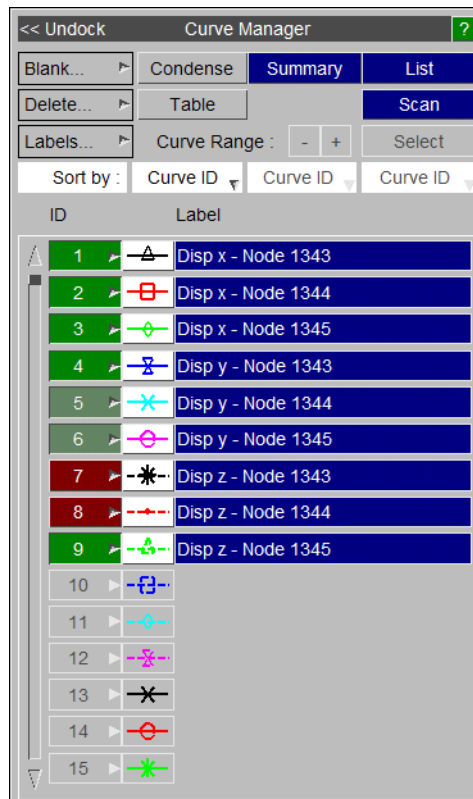
The blanking status of each curve can be changed by clicking on this button. The [Curve Table](#) can also be used to change the blanking status of a curve.

A range of curves may either be blanked or unblanked by selecting the first button in the range and then holding down the **SHIFT** key while selecting the last button in the range. All buttons that lie between the first and last buttons selected will have their status changed to match that of the first button that was selected.

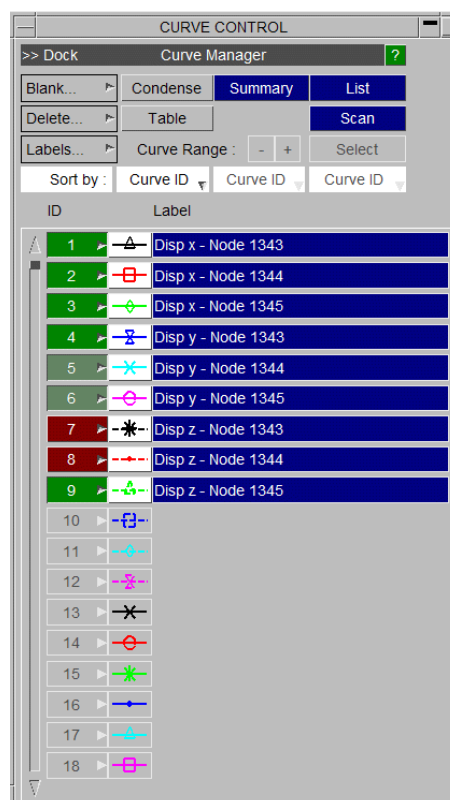
The line label for each curve may be changed by over-typing the label currently displayed in the line label box.

The button located between the curve number button and the curve label shows the current colour, line style and symbol that will be used to plot the curve. These properties can be modified by clicking on this button to display the line style menu, see [LINE STYLES](#)

The **CURVE CONTROL** window can also be accessed via the **File....Curves** option at the top of the graphics window or from the **Curves** button in the main menu.



If the curve labels are too long to be seen in the standard Curve Manager menu then the menu can be turned into a floating menu by selecting the **<<<Undock** option in the menu header. After undocking the menu it can be re-docked by selecting **>>>Dock**.



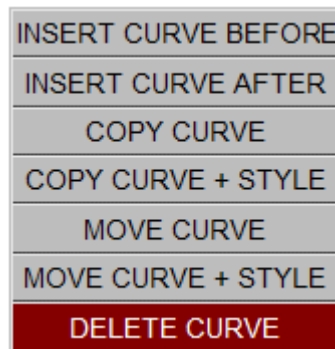




9.4.1. Reordering Curves

Reordering Curves

Attached to each of the curve number buttons is a popup menu that can be used to reorder curves by copying and moving them. This menu is accessed by clicking the right mouse button over the curve number buttons.



INSERT CURVE BEFORE

Inserts the last curve copied to a scratch definition before the selected curve.

INSERT CURVE AFTER

Inserts the last curve copied to a scratch definition after the selected curve.

COPY CURVE

Copies the curve to a scratch definition.

COPY CURVE + STYLE

Copies the curve along with its line style settings to a scratch definition.

MOVE CURVE

Copies the curve to a scratch definition and then deletes the original curve

MOVE CURVE + STYLE

Copies the curve along with its line style settings to a scratch definition and then deletes the original curve

DELETE CURVE

Deletes the selected curve

Block Moving/Copying Curves

Since version 16, T/HIS has had the option to move or copy a selection of curves and insert them before/after a given curve.

This can be done via selecting the first curve as per usual and then either:

- **SHIFT + "Move/Copy Curve"** - To select a block of curves
- **CTRL + "Move/Copy Curve"** - To add an additional curve to your previous selection

ID		Label
1		Time Step - Whole Model
2		K.E. - Whole Model
3		I.E. - Whole Model
4		Spring/Damper Energy - Whole Model
5		HG.E. - Whole Model
6		System damping Energy - Whole Mo
7		Joint internal energy - Whole Model
8		Sliding interface energy - Whole Mode
9		External work - Whole Model

At any time, the operation can be cancelled by right clicking a curve which is in its "pending" status (greyed out), and selecting either **Cancel Move/Copy** to cancel the curve selected or via **Cancel Move/Copy - All** which cancels all "pending" curves.

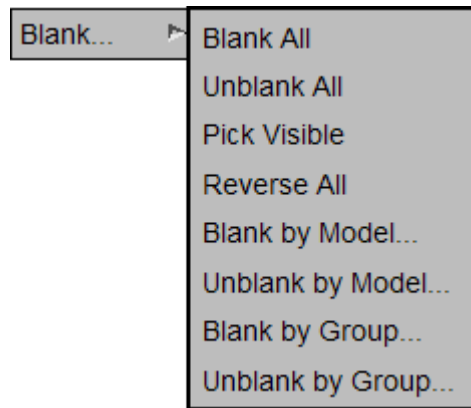
The order in which the curves are inserted is the same order in which they are currently in the list. For example, the image below has curves 3,6 and 8 as pending. When these are inserted they will be condensed so that they are next to one another. So, if this selection was inserted after curve 9, then these three curves will occupy slots 10,11 and 12 respectively.

ID		Label
1		Time Step - Whole Model
2		K.E. - Whole Model
3		I.E. - Whole Model
4		Spring/Damper Energy - Whole Model
5		HG.E. - Whole Model
6		System damping Energy - Whole Mo
7		Joint internal energy - Whole Model
8		Sliding interface energy - Whole Mode
9		External work - Whole Model
10		



9.4.2. Blank...

Blank...



Blank All

Blank all curves

Unblank All

Unblank all curves

Pick Visible

Pick curves from the screen to be blanked.

Reverse All

Reverse the blanking status of all curves

Blank by Model...

Blank curves belonging to a Model

Unblank by Model...

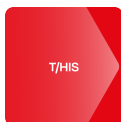
Unblank curves belonging to a Model

Blank by Group...

Blank curves by Curve Group

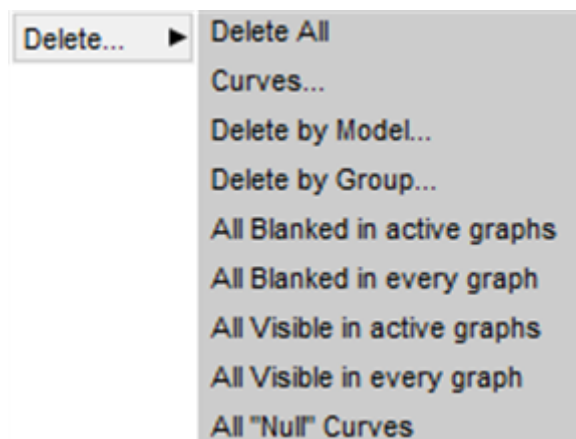
Unblank by Group...

Unblank curves by Curve Group



9.4.3. Delete...

Delete...



Delete All

Deletes all current curves. You are prompted for confirmation first!

Curves...

Select groups of curves for deletion

Delete by Model...

Delete curves belonging to a Model

Delete by Group...

Delete curves by Curve Group

All Blanked in active graphs

Delete all the curves that are currently blanked within all currently active graphs

All Blanked in every graph

Delete all the curves that are blanked over every graph, irrespective of active graph status (equivalent to if every graph is active)

All Visible in active graphs

Delete all the curves that are currently unblanked within all currently active graphs

All Visible in every graph

Delete all the curves that are unblanked over every graph, irrespective of active graph status (equivalent to if every graph is active)

All "Null" Curves

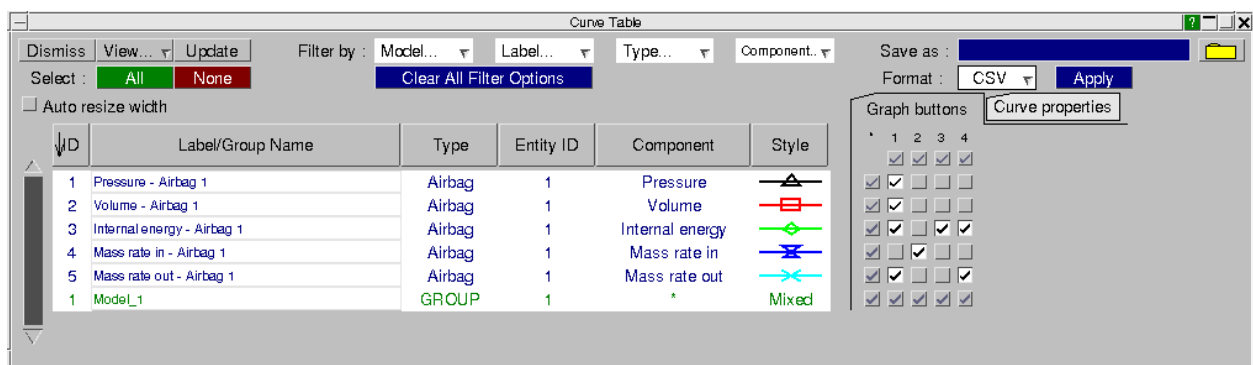
Delete any curve which is "NULL"



9.4.4. Table

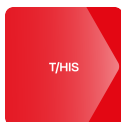
Table

The Table option can be used to give more control over which curves are blanked and unblanked in all of the currently defined graphs, as well as display curve properties and injury values in a tabulated format. By default the Curve Table displays a scrolling list of all of the currently defined curves and curve groups along with a set of tick boxes that display the status of the curve in the current graphs. Curves are displayed in BLUE text while curve groups are displayed in GREEN.



For each curve the following information is displayed by default.

ID	Curve ID or Group ID for curve groups
Label	Curve Label or Group Name
Directory	If the curve has been read in from a model then this will be the directory that all the model files are in, if the curve had been read in from a file (.cur. .csv) then this will be the file location. No information is displayed for curve groups.
Model/File	If the curve has been read in from a model then by default this will be the ID of the model. If the curve had been read in from a file then this will be the filename. No information is displayed for curve groups.
Type	The entity type that the curve was generated from. If the curve was read in from a file then this will display "FILE".
Entity ID	ID of the item that the data was read from. If the curve was read from a file then this will be the index within the file for each curve. If the row represents more than one curve (e.g. curve groups) and the curves have different components then it will display '*'
Component	Data component name.



	If the row represents more than one curve (e.g. curve groups) and the curves have different components then it will display '*'
Style	This will show the line colour, style and width used to display the curve.

The column widths of any of the above columns can be adjusted by clicking on the bars between the header columns and the order of the columns can be changed by dragging the column headers.

The contents of the table can also be sorted by any column by clicking on the relevant header button. Clicking on the same header a 2nd time reverses the sort order for the column.

Adding / Removing Curves from graphs and Locking / Freezing

To add an individual curve (or curve group) to a graph the tick boxes on the right hand side of the curve table can be used.

The first column of tick boxes (under the *) can be used to add/remove a curve from all the currently defined graphs, while the top row of tick boxes can be used to add/remove all the currently defined curves from a graph.

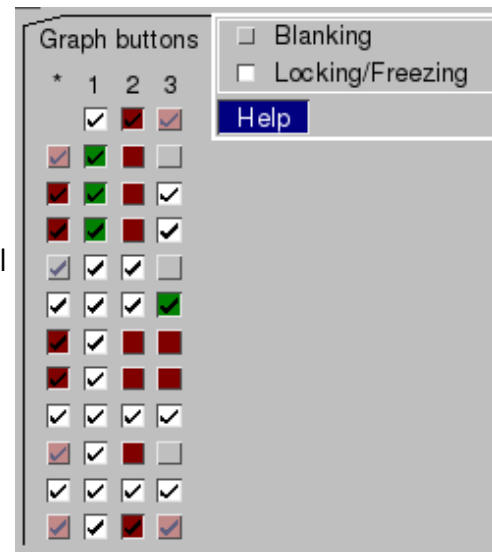
- If all of the curves are unblanked in a graph then the tick box will display a black tick in a white box.
- If some of the curves are unblanked in a graph then the tick box will display a dark grey tick in a grey box.
- If none of the curves in a group are unblanked in a graph then the tick box will be empty.



Multiple tick boxes can be set/unset by clicking on the first one and then holding SHIFT while clicking on the last one.

These tickboxes can also be used to lock or freeze curves. If the 'Locking/Freezing' button, or the 'Locking/Freezing' option in the 'Graph buttons' popup is selected, then the tickboxes are re-purposed. Locking a curve means fixing it as blanked in a graph so it cannot be made visible until it is unlocked. Freezing a curve is the equivalent for visible curves. The curve will be visible in that graph until it is unfrozen. These curves will no longer be affected by shortcut keys such as 'u', 'r' and 'b'.

Instead of changing the ticks, locking and freezing will change the background colour of the tickbox. When a curve is locked, the background will be red. When it is frozen, the background will be green.



The buttons relating to multiple graphs or multiple curves behave in the same way as for blanking, as does multiple-selection using CTRL or SHIFT.

Individual curves can also be selected by clicking on them in the main part of the curve table. Multiple curves can be selected using either CTRL to select a single curve or SHIFT to select a range of curves. As curves are selected they are highlighted in blue and the tick boxes for any unselected curves are greyed out.

When multiple curves have been selected then clicking on a tick box sets the status for all the selected curves.

ID	Label/Group Name	Directory	Model/File	Type	Entity ID	Component	Style		1	2	3
1	K.E. - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	K.E.		☒	☒	☒	
2	K.E. - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	K.E.		☒	☒	☒	
3	I.E. - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	I.E.		☒	☒	☒	
4	I.E. - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	I.E.		☒	☒	☒	
5	Momentum x - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	Momentum x		☒	☒	☒	
6	Momentum x - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	Momentum x		☒	☒	☒	
7	Momentum y - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	Momentum y		☒	☒	☒	
8	Momentum y - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	Momentum y		☒	☒	☒	
9	Momentum z - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	Momentum z		☒	☒	☒	
10	Momentum z - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	Momentum z		☒	☒	☒	
1	Model_L1	/tmp/TEST	1	GROUP	*	*	Mixed	☒	☒	☒	

As well as blanking and unblanking curves in graphs a number of other options can be applied to selected curves by right clicking on them, such as applying operations and changing the line style.



ID	Label/Group Name	Directory	Model/File	Type	Entity ID	Component	Style	1	2	3
1	K.E. - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	K.E.		☒	☒	☒
2	K.E. - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	K.E.		☒	☒	☒
3	I.E. - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	Create Group...		☒	☒	☒
4	I.E. - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	Add to Group...		☒	☒	☒
5	Momentum x - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	Delete...		☒	☒	☒
6	Momentum x - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	Functions...		☒	☒	☒
7	Momentum y - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	Colour...		☒	☒	☒
8	Momentum y - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	Line Width...		☒	☒	☒
9	Momentum z - Part 1	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	1	Line Style...		☒	☒	☒
10	Momentum z - Part 2	/tmp/TEST	1	Part	2	Symbol...		☒	☒	☒
1	Model_1	/tmp/TEST	1	GROUP	*	Dismiss	Mixed	☒	☒	☒

View Options

The viewing options popup, found in the top left of the curve table window, can be used to control which columns of data are displayed and what items are displayed in the curve table.

Select Columns: ?

General	Curve properties	Injury values	Display	Show Models By
☒ ID	☒ Show in table	☒ Show in table	☐ All Items	☐ Model number
☒ Label/Group Name	☒ Min Y	☒ HIC val	☐ Group By Model/File	☐ Directory
☐ Model/File	☐ Max Y	☒ HICD val	☐ Group Common Items	☐ THF File
☒ Type	☐ Min +ve Y	☒ TMS val	☐ Include	☐ User Defined
☒ Entity ID	☒ Min X	☒ TTI val	☐ Curves and Group	
☒ Component	☒ Max X	☒ THIV val	☐ Curves Only	
☒ Style	☐ Min +ve X	☒ PHD val	☐ Groups Only	
☐ Directory	☒ X @ Min Y	☒ CORR val		
	☐ X @ Max Y			
	☐ X @ Min +ve Y			
	☒ Average			
	☒ RMS			
	☒ # POINTS			

Save to prefDismiss

By default all 8 columns of general information about each curve will be displayed, each column can be turned on and off but T/HIS will ensure that at least one column is always displayed. Curve properties and injury values can also be displayed, but this will be discussed further [below](#).

The columns that are initially displayed can be specified in the preference file (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details). If the columns are changed then **Save to Pref** can be used to update the preference file.

Display

This option can be used to control how items are displayed in the curve table.

Display

☐ All Items

☐ Group By Model/File

☐ Group Common Items



All Items

By default the curve table will contain one row for each curve and one row for each curve group.

1	K.E. - Whole Model	E:\BASE	1	Model	1	K.E.	
2	I.E. - Whole Model	E:\BASE	1	Model	1	I.E.	
3	K.E. - Whole Model	E:\RUN1	2	Model	1	K.E.	
4	I.E. - Whole Model	E:\RUN1	2	Model	1	I.E.	
11	Disp mag - Node 100	E:\BASE	1	Node	10000	Disp ma	
12	Disp mag - Node 100	E:\RUN1	2	Node	10000	Disp ma	
1	Model_1	N/A	N/A	GROUP	*	*	Mixed
2	Model_2	N/A	N/A	GROUP	*	*	Mixed

Group By Model/File

*	*	E:\BASE	1	*	*	*	Mixed
*	*	E:\RUN1	2	*	*	*	Mixed
1	Model_1	N/A	N/A	GROUP	*	*	Mixed
2	Model_2	N/A	N/A	GROUP	*	*	Mixed

This option will display a single row for all the curves that were read from the same model or file.

When this option is selected the columns for curve ID, Label, Type, Entity ID and component display a '*' as they represent multiple values.

This option can be used to quickly assign all of the curves from a single model or file to the same graph.

Group By Common Items

*	*	*	*	Model	1	K.E.	Mixed
*	*	*	*	Model	1	I.E.	Mixed
*	*	*	*	Node	10000	Disp ma	Mixed
1	Model_1	N/A	N/A	GROUP	*	*	Mixed
2	Model_2	N/A	N/A	GROUP	*	*	Mixed

This option will display a single row for all the curves that were created using the same entity type, ID and component.



In the example opposite the 1st row represents all of the curves that contain a model Kinetic Energy while the 3rd row represents all the curves that contain a displacement magnitude for Node 10000.

This option can be used to quickly assign all of the curves for the same entity and component to the same graph when comparing results from multiple models.

Include

By default the curve table contains both curves and curve groups. This option can be used to display either just the curves only or just the curve groups.

Include

☐ Curves and Group

☐ Curves Only

☐ Groups Only

Show Models By

If the column displaying the model ID is displayed in the curve table then by default it will display the model number.

This option can be used to display either.

Show Models By

☐ Model number

☐ Directory

☐ THF File

☐ User Defined

The model ID	1	K.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	1	Model	1	K.E.	_____
	2	I.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	1	Model	1	I.E.	_____
The model directory	1	K.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	\BASE	Model	1	K.E.	_____
	2	I.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	\BASE	Model	1	I.E.	_____
The name of the THF file	1	K.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	base	Model	1	K.E.	_____
	2	I.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	base	Model	1	I.E.	_____
A user defined model description	1	K.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	M1	Model	1	K.E.	_____
	2	I.E. - Whole Model	E:\test\CRUSH\BASE	M1	Model	1	I.E.	_____

Filter Options

Filter by :

Model... ▼

Label... ▼

Type... ▼

Component... ▼

Clear All Filter Options

The filter options can be used to filter the list of curves displayed in the curve table.

Multiple filters can be active at the same time



Filter By Model

Model...

The 'Filter by Model' dialog box features a title bar with the text 'Filter by Model'. Below the title bar, there is a 'Dismiss' button on the left. In the center, the text 'Select :' is followed by two buttons: a green 'All' button and a red 'None' button. Below these, there are five rows of checkboxes and labels: 'Model 1' (checked), 'Model 2' (checked), 'Model 3' (unchecked), 'Model 4' (unchecked), and 'Model 5' (unchecked).

This option can be used to filter the list of curves by model number. If curves have been read in from a file then an "Other" option will be shown.

In the example opposite only curves that are either from model 1 or model 2 will be displayed.

Filter By Label

Label...

The 'Filter by Label' dialog box has a title bar with the text 'Filter by Label'. Below the title bar, there is a 'Dismiss' button on the left. In the center, the text 'Select :' is followed by two buttons: a green 'All' button and a red 'None' button. To the right of these buttons is a checked checkbox labeled 'Ignore Case'. Below the 'Select :' area, there are five rows of checkboxes and text input fields. The first two rows are checked and contain the text 'Model' and 'Node' respectively. The next three rows are unchecked and are empty. To the right of the input fields, there are two options: an unchecked checkbox labeled 'And' and a checked checkbox labeled 'Or'.

This option can be used to filter the list of curves by label. Up to 5 different strings can be entered and the list of curves displayed will be filtered using those strings. If multiple strings are entered then the strings can either be combined using either "AND" or "OR".

A separate option can be used to ignore the case so that "model" will match both "Model" and "model"



In the example opposite only curves that contain either the word "Model" OR the word "Node" in their labels will be displayed.

Filter By Type

Type... ▼

Filter by Type

Dismiss

Select :

All

None

☒ Model ☐ Node

This option can be used to filter the list of curves by entity type. The list of entity types displayed will automatically update to show the entity types for all the curves that are currently stored in T/HIS.

In the example opposite only curves that contain "Model" data are displayed.

Filter By Component

Component... ▼

Filter by Component

Dismiss

Select :

All

None

☒ Model - K.E. ☐ Model - I.E. ☒ Node - Disp mag

This option can be used to filter the list of curves by component type. The list of components displayed will automatically update to show the components for all the curves that are currently stored in T/HIS.

In the example opposite only curves that are either Model Kinetic Energy or Nodal Displacement Magnitudes are displayed.

Include

By default the curve table contains both curves and curve groups. This option can be used to display either just the curves only or just the curve groups.

Include

☐ Curves and Group
 ☐ Curves Only
 ☐ Groups Only

Curve Properties

The properties of each curve and any calculated injury values can also be displayed in the Curve Table. These are displayed by selecting the **Curve Properties** tab above the graph tickboxes. The Curve Table, including the values in all the displayed columns (except the Style column), can be written out to either a .csv or .xlsx file.

ID	Label/Group Name	Component	Style	Min Y	Max Y	Min X	Max X	X @ Min Y	X @ Max Y	Average	RMS	# POINTS	HIC val	THIV val
1	Pressure - Airbag 1	Pressure	—	0.1000521	0.1712828	7.2e-07	0.02960016	7.2e-07	0.01340064	0.1654779	0.1660907	300	-	-
2	Volume - Airbag 1	Volume	—	4223730	4223730	7.2e-07	0.02960016	7.2e-07	7.2e-07	4223732	4216895	300	-	-
3	Internal energy - Airbag 1	Internal energy	—	968470.7	1701430	7.2e-07	0.02960016	7.2e-07	0.01330056	1643130	1649399	300	-	-
4	Mass rate in - Airbag 1	Mass rate in	—	0	0.0009999467	7.2e-07	0.02960016	0.0050004	0.00200016	8.36138e-05	0.0002357944	300	-	-
5	Mass rate out - Airbag 1	Mass rate out	—	0	1.494367e-05	7.2e-07	0.02960016	7.2e-07	0.02810016	1.489316e-05	3.602842e-05	300	-	-
1	Model_1	Mixed	—	0	4223730	7.2e-07	0.02960016	0.0050004	7.2e-07	-	-	-	-	-

The Curve Properties and Injury Values columns that are displayed can be customized in the **View...** popup, both individually by clicking their name in the popup and as a group using the **Show in table** tickboxes. The choice of displayed columns can be saved to preferences.

Dismiss View... Update Filter by: Model... Label... Type... Component... Save as

Select: Select Columns:

☐ Auto resize width

1

2

3

4

5

1

ID

Label/Group Name

ModelVFile

Type

Entity ID

Component

Style

Directory

General

Curve properties

Injury values

Display

Show Models By

☒ Show in table
 ☒ Show in table

☒ ID
 ☒ Min Y
 ☒ HIC val

☒ Label/Group Name
 ☒ Max Y
 ☒ HICD val

☒ ModelVFile
 ☒ Min +ve Y
 ☒ TMS val

☒ Type
 ☒ Min X
 ☒ TTI val

☒ Entity ID
 ☒ Max X
 ☒ THIV val

☒ Component
 ☒ Min +ve X
 ☒ PHD val

☒ Style
 ☒ X @ Min Y
 ☒ CORR val

☒ Directory
 ☒ X @ Max Y
 ☐ X @ Min +ve Y

☒ Average

☒ RMS

☒ # POINTS

Include

☐ Curves and Group
 ☐ Curves Only
 ☐ Groups Only

Show Models By

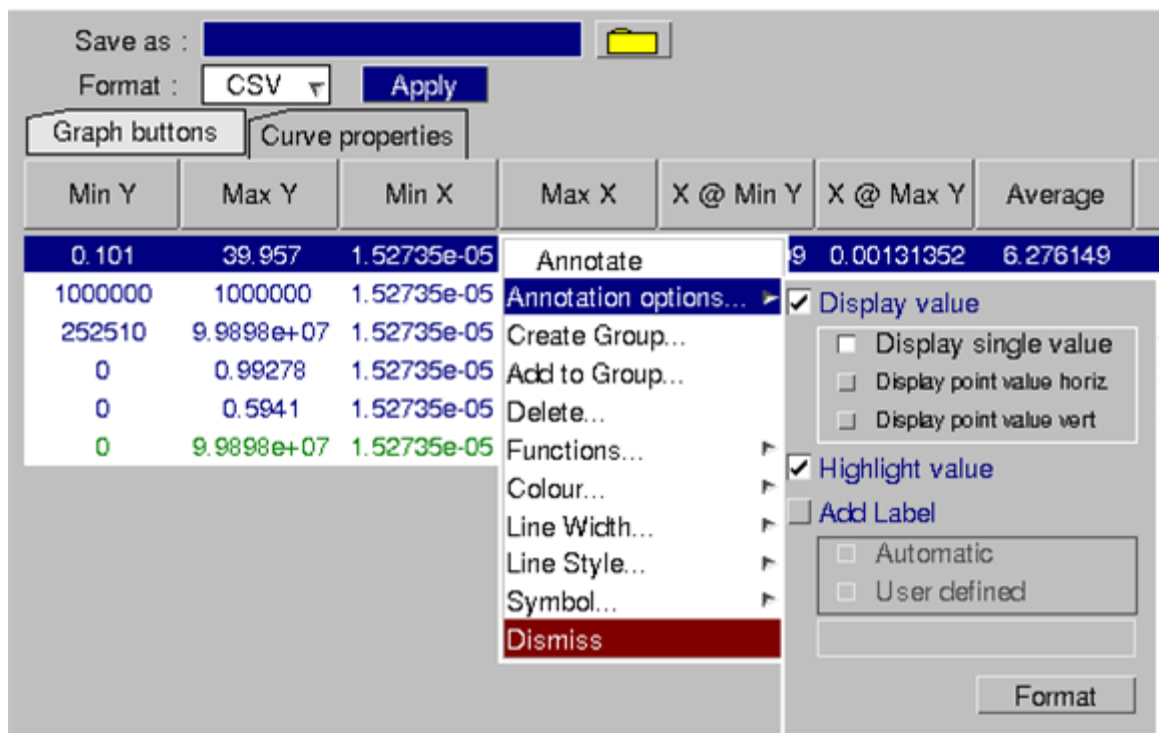
☐ Model number
 ☐ Directory
 ☐ THF File
 ☐ User Defined

Save to pref

Dismiss

Annotating Curves

Curves can be annotated with most of the properties and injury values by right-clicking the values in the table and selecting **Annotate**. Options for customising these annotations can be found in the **Annotation options** popup. The options include the format of the displayed value, i.e. whether it should appear as a single value (usually either an X or Y value depending on the property), or as a point (X,Y). The choice to highlight the value on the curve with a cross is also given, as well as the ability to add either an automatic or user-defined label to the annotation.





9.4.5. Summary

Summary

Displays a window from which a group of curves may be chosen. The maximum and minimum values of the selected curves are then displayed.



9.4.6. List

List

Displays a **LIST CURVES** window, from which a number of curves may be selected. The data point values for the selected curves are then listed in a listing box.



9.4.7. Scan

Scan

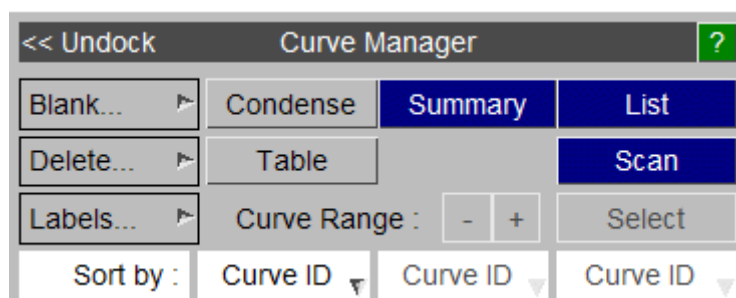
Displays a window from which a group of curves may be chosen. The maximum and minimum values of the selected curves are then displayed.



9.4.8. CURVE RANGE SELECTION

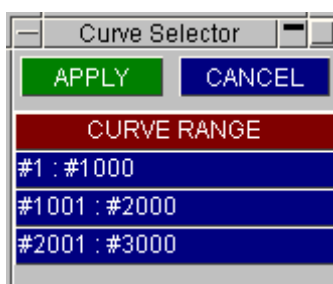
CURVE RANGE SELECTION

The range buttons in the Curve Control menu can be used to when you are working with more than 1000 curves to move between groups of 1000 curves. Pressing the green **+** button will display the next group of 1000 curves in the menu, whilst pressing the red **-** button will display the previous group of 1000 curves.



Alternatively pressing the **Select** button will bring up the following new window.

Select the appropriate group of 1000 curves and press **Apply** to display those 1000 curves in the Curve Manager.





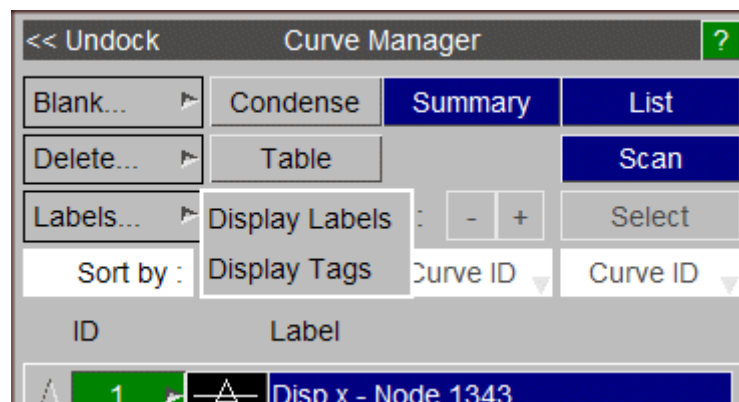
9.4.9. CURVE TAGS

CURVE TAGS

Curves can be given tags to act as internal identifiers within T/HIS which can be used to reference curves in order to perform operations on them.

In order to display the curve tags, toggle on the Show Labels arrow and select Show Tags. The tag names can be defined in the input boxes.

When a curve file is written, T/HIS will save the tags of all the tagged curves in the file.



When performing operations in the dialogue box, curves can be referenced by their tags. The tag must be placed in double quotes.

```
Operate > dif "Vel_x_n_123" #2050
(Written [Analysis Velocity (Dif)] to curve #2050)
(DIF #1002 => #2050)
```

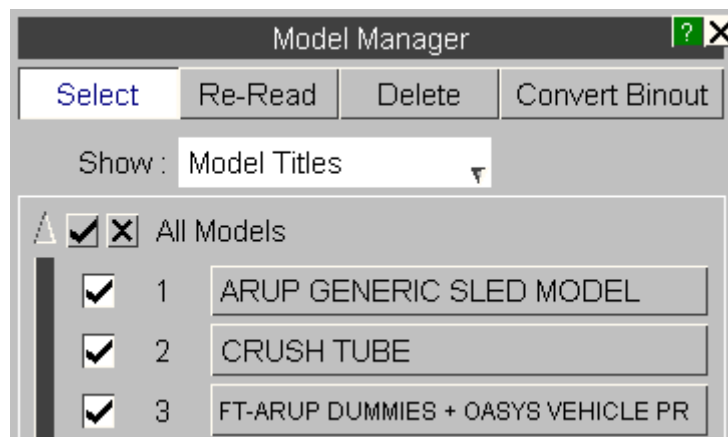


9.5. Model Manager

9.5.1. Select

Select

This allows the user to turn models on/off. Deselecting a model will result in removal of its entities as options when reading data. Models can be displayed according to their titles or alternatively by the directories they were read in from.



Clicking on the button displaying a model title will produce a menu similar to that illustrated below. The number of each type of item in the model and the sources T/HIS found for that item type's data will be shown. The user can select which file type is preferred for the data for each type of item (see [Settings](#)).

Prefix

This menu can also be used to define a user defined model prefix. This prefix can be added automatically to the start of curve labels to help identify which model they belong to.



Model Manager				
Title	LG09 : LARGE TEST 9: BELTED SLED			
Directory	E:\test\sled			
Prefix	M1			
THF/d3thdt	new_lg09.thf			
XTF/xtfile	new_lg09.xtf			
LSDA/binout	binout			
ASCII	Present			

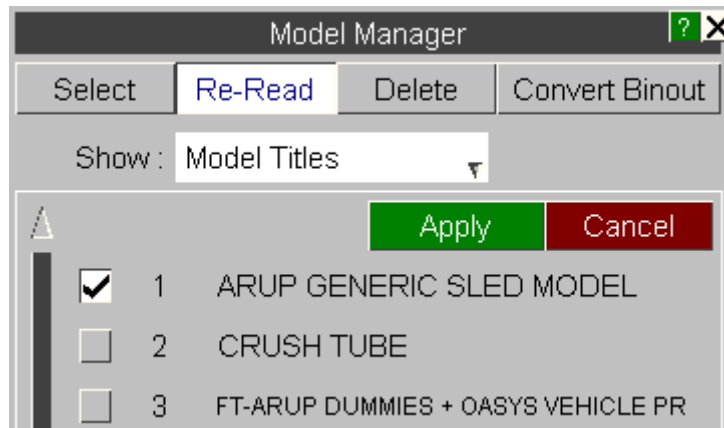
Done	THF	XTF	LSDA	ASCII
Global	1	-	1	1
Parts	0	-	110	110
Nodes	19	-	19	19
Solids	0	-	0	-
Beams	1	-	0	-
Shells	0	-	0	-
Tk Shells	0	-	0	-
Stonewalls	-	0	0	0
Springs	-	100	100	100
Seatbelts	-	107	107	107
Retractors	-	1	1	1
Sliprings	-	2	2	2
Contacts	-	11	10	10
Reactions	-	0	0	0
Airbags	-	0	0	0



9.5.2. Re-Read

Re-Read

The re-read option can be used to rescan and update the model. This will find any new data written to disk since the file was last read.

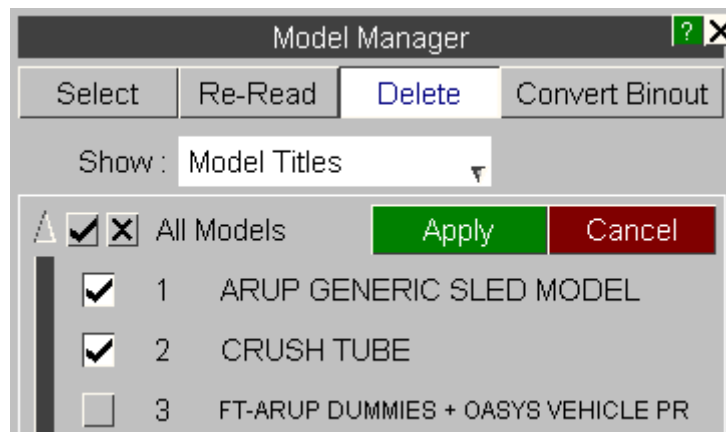




9.5.3. Delete

Delete

This option allows the user to select and delete models from T/HIS. Any curves that have been read in from a model that is deleted are NOT deleted with the model. Any number of models to be deleted from T/HIS.





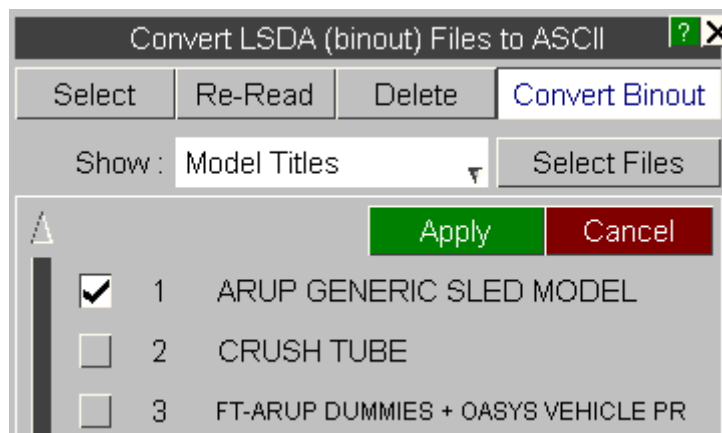
9.5.4. Convert Binout

Convert Binout

This option can be used to convert LSDA binout files into the older ASCII files. The menu allows a number of models to be selected.

The **Select Files** button allows the user to specify which ASCII files are to be created.

All of the ASCII files are written into the directory containing the LSDA file.



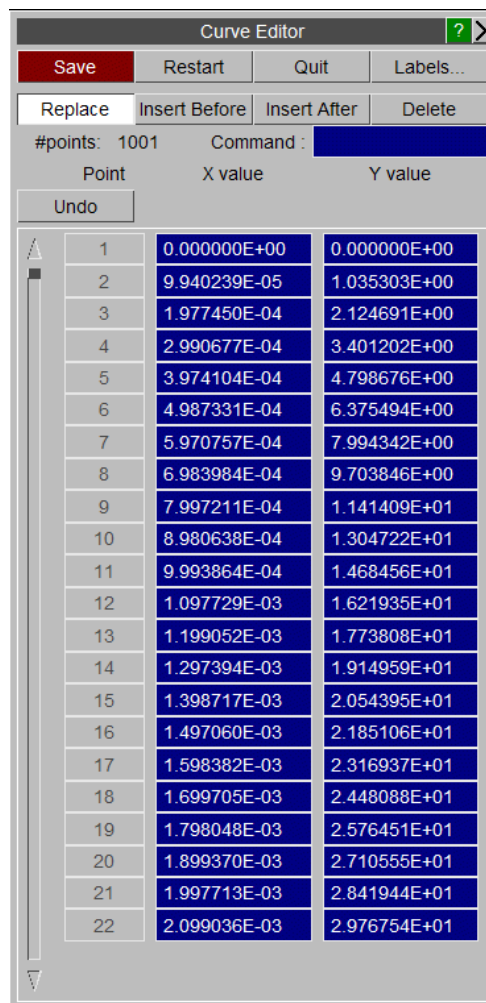


9.6. EDIT Options

EDIT Options

This menu allows you to examine and make modifications to the curve data points. You are always working on a "scratch" copy of the curve. The permanent curve is only updated when you **Save** it explicitly.

Moving around the curve data is done through the use of scroll bars on the data panel.



Save

Saves the edited curve as either a new curve or overwrites the original.

Restart

Resets the curve being edited to the values at the start of the edit session.

Quit



Quits the Curve Editor without making any changes to the curve.

Labels...

Allows the title, axis and line label to be changed (see [Curve Labels](#) for more details).

Replace

Allows curve values to be changed by overtyping the x and y values.

Insert Before

Inserts a new point in the curve before the selected point.

Insert After

Inserts a new point in the curve after the selected point.

Delete

Deletes the selected point.

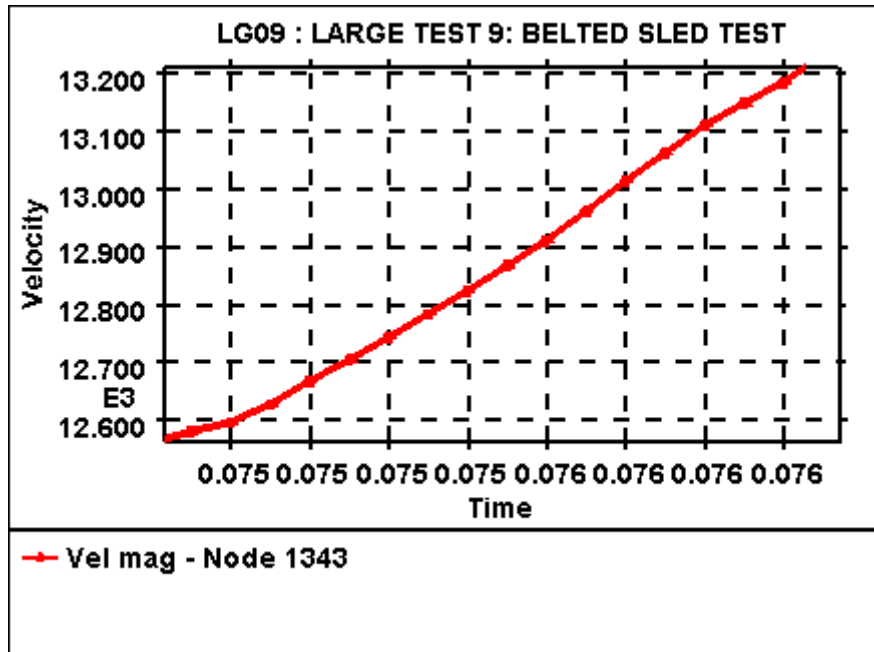
The **Command** text-box allows control by command line (see [Command line mode](#) for more details).



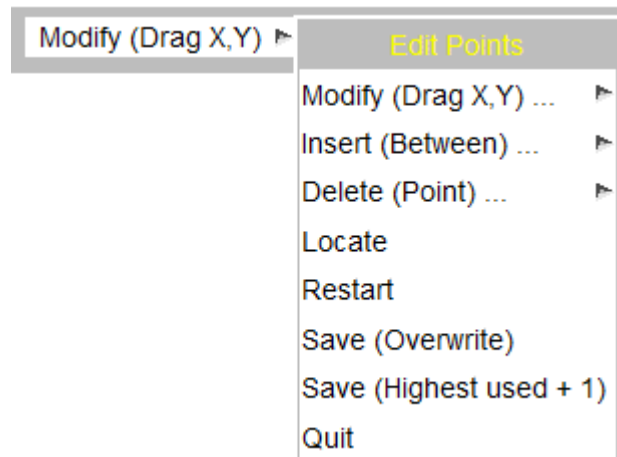
9.6.1. Interactive Curve Editing

Interactive Curve Editing

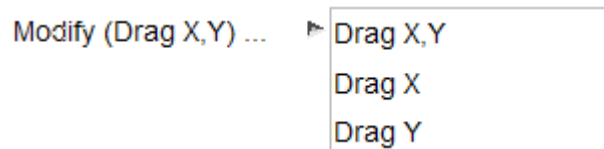
After a curve has been selected it is displayed using a thicker line to highlight it in any graphs that it is visible in.



As well as being highlighted the curve points can be edited interactively and the Quick Pick menu in the main Tool Bar (see [Tool Bar](#) for more details) is replaced with the EDIT menu.

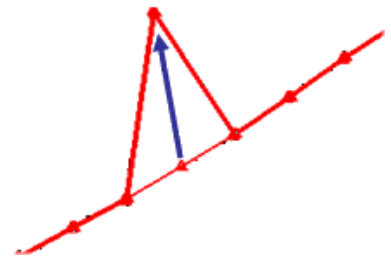


Modify





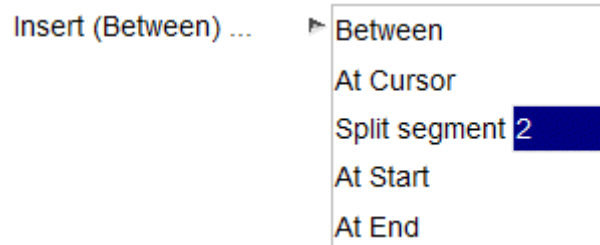
Drag X,Y Modify the point nearest to the screen pick by dragging it's position in both the X and Y axis directions.



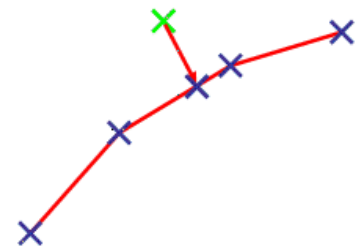
Drag X Drag a point in the X axis direction only.

Drag Y Drag a point in the Y axis direction only.

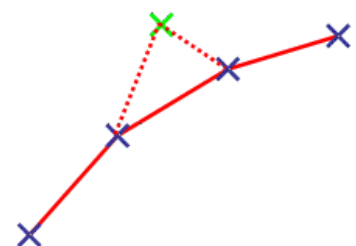
Insert



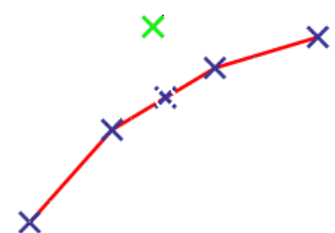
Between Finds the nearest segment to the point selected on the screen and then projects the point onto the segment.



At Cursor Finds the nearest segment to the point selected on the screen and then inserts the a point at the screen location between the 2 ends of the segment.



Split Segment Finds the nearest segment to the point selected on the screen and then splits the segment in 2 or more parts.

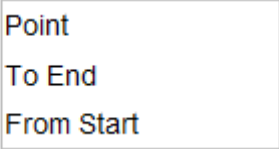




At Start Inserts a new point at the screen location before the first point in the curve.

At End Inserts a new point at the screen location after the last point in the curve.

Delete Delete (Point) ...



Point Finds the nearest point to the screen pick and deletes it.

To End Finds the nearest point to the screen pick and deletes all points in the curve from that point onwards.

From Start Finds the nearest point to the screen pick and deletes all points in the curve up to that point.

Locate

Finds the nearest point to the screen pick and updates the list of points in the main edit panel so that the points either side of the picked point are displayed.

Restart

Resets the curve being edited to the values at the start of the edit session.

Save (Overwrite)

Overwrite the original curve with the edited one.

Save (Highest used + 1)

Save the edited curve as a new curve without overwriting the original curve.

Quit

Quits the Curve Editor without making any changes to the curve.



9.6.2. Command Line Mode

Command line mode

In command line mode editing of curves is done in a similar fashion using the following commands.

Moving around the curve:	F	Forward	Move forward 16 lines
	B	Back	Move back 16 lines
	T	Top	Move to the top of the curve
	E	End	Move to the end of the curve
	N	Number	Move to given line number
Modifying the curve:	Cn	Change	Change line n
	In	Insert	Insert points before line n
	An	Append	Append points after line n
	D n1 n2	Delete	Delete lines n1 to n2
	L	Label	Change the line label
	R	Reset	Reset the curve back to the original curve
Saving and Plotting the curve:	W	Write	Write the curve
	S	Save	As write
	PE	Plot Edited	Plot the edited curve
	PA	Plot All	Plot the edited and original curve
	PL	Plot	Plot the current T/HIS curves



Q

Quit

Quit the editor

In command line mode the EDIT menu is reached by typing **/ED**



9.6.3. Curve Labels

Curve Labels

Each curve has four labels associated with it:

Title The title string at the top of the plot
X label The label for the X axis of the plot
Y label The label for the Y axis of the plot
Label The label applied to the line itself

The first three are only used on a plot if this curve is the first (or only) curve to be plotted, and the relevant labels are in "automatic" mode (see [TITLE and AXIS](#)).

You can change any of these by simply overtyping whatever is currently there. When you are happy with the result use the **APPLY** button to dismiss this box, saving the new values. The labels here are scratch values, current only in this editor, the permanent curve labels are only overwritten with them if you **SAVE** this edited curve.

RESET will restore the scratch labels to the original values of the permanent curve being edited.

The title, axis and line labels can also be modified using the [dialogue box](#).



9.7. LINE STYLES

LINE STYLES

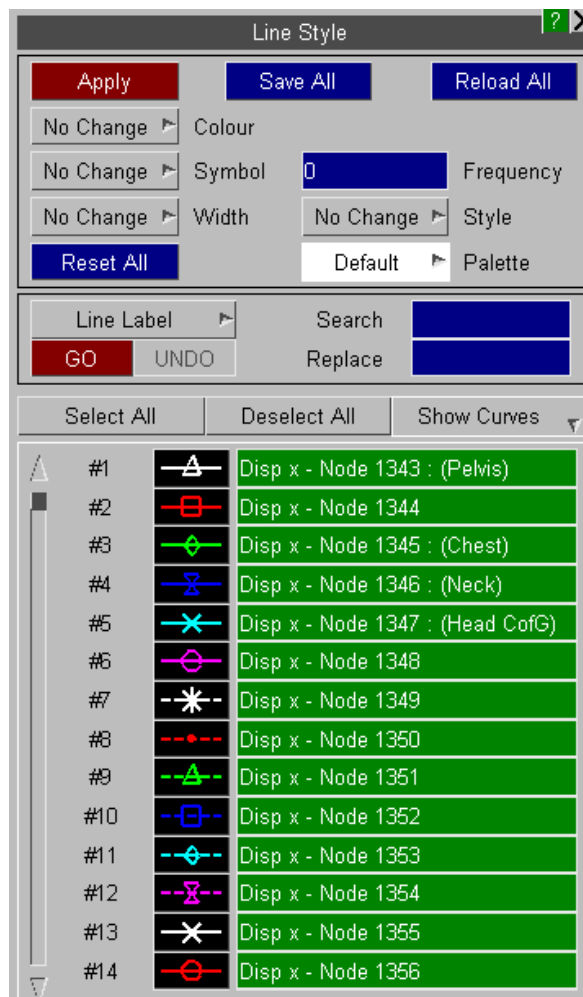
The **Line Style** menu is shown in the figure (right). This menu can be used to change the colour, width, style and symbol for any of the curves that are currently being used.

When a curve file is written, T/HIS will save the line style for each curve in the file.

The lower half of this panel contains a list of all the curves that are currently being used. By default the curve that was clicked on in the **Curve Manager** will be highlighted and the Colour and Symbol buttons in the top section of the menu will show the setting for that curve.

The **Save All** button can be used to save the current set of line styles to a file while the **Reload All** button can be used to reload a set from a previously saved file. The **Reset All** button will reset all the curve styles to the original T/HIS settings.

If you wish to modify the colour/style of more than one curve at a time additional curves may be selected by pressing the





9.7.1. APPLY

APPLY

This button will **APPLY** the current line colour, symbol, width and style selection to all the curves that have been selected.



9.7.2. COLOUR

COLOUR

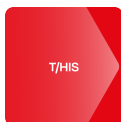
Pressing the right mouse button while over the colour button will invoke a colour popup menu.

T/HIS has a built in palette of 30 predefined colours and 6 user defined colours. Colours are defined using 6 digit Hexadecimal values using the format RRGGBB.

RR Red Component (0-255)
GG Green Component (0-255)
BB Blue Component (0-255)



Colour ID	Name	Alternative Name	Value
1	COL_1	WHITE	FFFFFF
2	COL_2	RED	FF0000
3	COL_3	GREEN	00FF00
4	COL_4	BLUE	0000FF
5	COL_5	CYAN	00FFFF
6	COL_6	MAGENTA	FF00FF
7	COL_7	YELLOW	FFFF00
8	COL_8	ORANGE	FF9C00
9	COL_9	TURQUOISE	21FF94
10	COL_10	INDIGO	7B00FF
11	COL_11	LIME	BDFF39
12	COL_12	SKY	39BDFF
13	COL_13	PINK	FF7B7B
14	COL_14	BLACK	000000
15	COL_15	PALE_YELLOW	FFFF9C
16	COL_16	GOLD	FFCE00
17	COL_17	OLIVE	7B7B00



18	COL_18	DARK_MAGENTA	9C3163
19	COL_19	MEDIUM_GREEN	9CCE00
20	COL_20	MEDIUM_BLUE	7B7BFF
21	COL_21	HOT_PINK	FF9CCE
22	COL_22	LIGHT_PINK	FFCE9C
23	COL_23	SEA_GREEN	317B63
24	COL_24	MAROON	7B0000
25	COL_25	DARK_GREEN	007B00
26	COL_26	PURPLE	7B007B
27	COL_27	NAVY	00007B
28	COL_28	DARK_GREY	393939
29	COL_29	MEDIUM_GREY	7B7B7B
30	COL_30	LIGHT_GREY	BDBDBD
31	COL_31	USER_1	-
32	COL_32	USER_2	-
33	COL_33	USER_3	-
34	COL_34	USER_4	-
35	COL_35	USER_5	-
36	COL_36	USER_6	-

As well as the 36 colour options **Foreground** and **Background** can be selected to change the colour to the **Foreground** and **Background** colours defined in the [Display](#) menu.

If **No Change** is selected then the **Apply** button will have no effect on the colour of the currently selected curves..

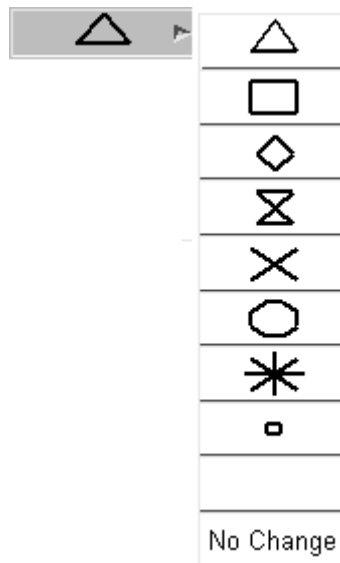


9.7.3. SYMBOL

SYMBOL

Pressing the right mouse button while over the **Symbol** button will invoke a symbol popup menu that allow any of the 9 T/HIS symbols to be selected (the 9th is a blank symbol that can be selected so that a curve can be plotted without a symbol). As well as the 9 symbols the menu also contains a **No Change** option.

The **Symbols Frequency** controls how often a symbol is drawn on a curve. By default, symbols are not drawn; they can be switched on using the [Display](#) menu.





9.7.4. WIDTH

WIDTH

Pressing the right mouse button while over the width button will invoke a popup menu that allows 10 different line widths to be selected or **No Change**.



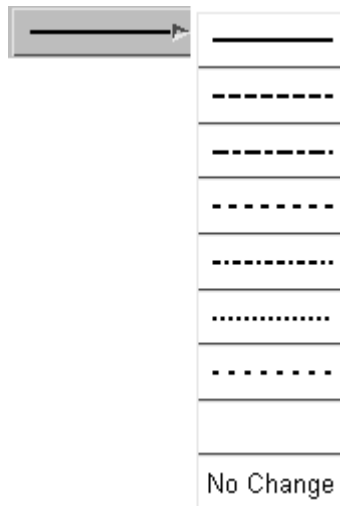


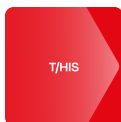
9.7.5. STYLE

STYLE

Pressing the right mouse button while over the style button will invoke a popup menu that allows 8 different line styles to be selected (the 8th is actually a blank line that can be selected so that a curve can be plotted without a line).

As well as the 8 line styles the menu also contains a **No Change** option.



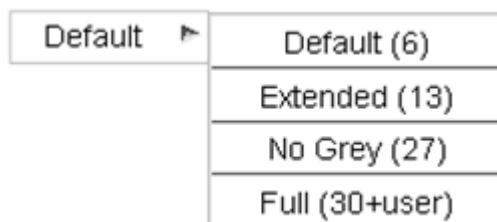


9.7.6. CURVE PALETTE

CURVE PALETTE

By default T/HIS uses 6 colours (White, Red, Green, Blue, Cyan and Magenta) for any curves that have not had a colour explicitly defined for them. Curves 1,7,13... will be White, 2,8,14... will be Red.

This option can be used to change the default number of colours T/HIS uses.



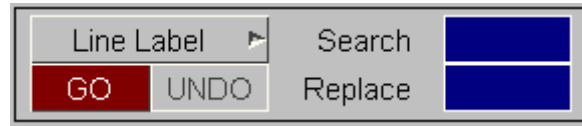
Default	Use the default 6 colours
Extended	Use the first 13 colours
No Grey	Use all 30 predefined colours except the 3 grey ones
Full	Use all 30 predefined colours plus any user defined ones.

The default value for the curve palette can also be specified in the "preferences" file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details).



9.7.7. MODIFYING LABELS

MODIFYING LABELS



Multiple curve labels may be edited using the Search and Replace option to enter the string to search for and the string to replace it with ^ can be used to insert text at the beginning of a label while \$ can be used to append to the end of a label. The table below shows the effect of 4 search and replace examples.

	Example 1	Example 2	Example 3	
Original Label	Displacement N1034	Time	iso18571 -a1.1- cae1	iso18571 -a1.1- cae1
Search String	N1	\$	*	*
Replace String	Node 1	(s)	ISO_A1.1	
Modified Label	Displacement Node 1034	Time(s)	ISO_A1.1	

The **GO** button will initiate the search and replace on all the curves that are currently selected (highlighted in the bottom half of the menu), while the **UNDO** button can be used to reset the labels to what they were before the search and replace.

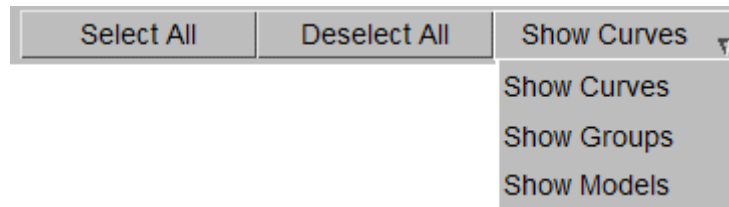
Pressing the right mouse button while over the **Line Label** button will invoke a popup menu that allows the label that is being modified to be swapped between the **Line Label** , **X-Axis Label** and the **Y-Axis Label** .

Line labels can also be modified by using the [dialogue box](#).

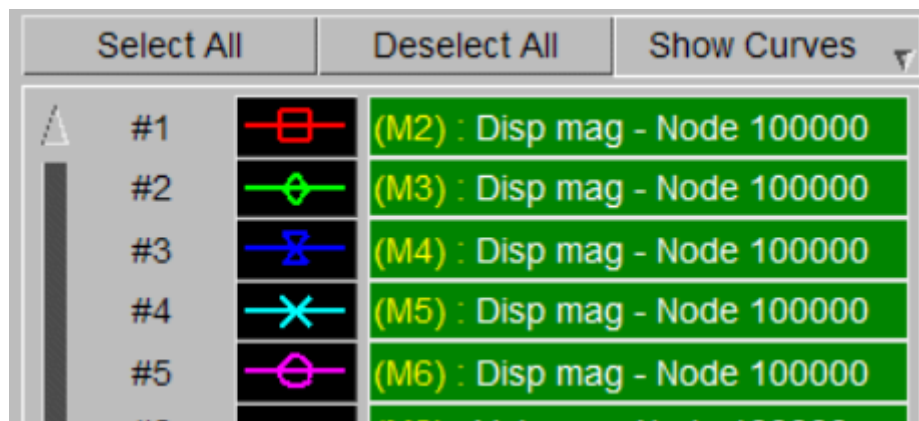


9.7.8. SELECTING CURVES

SELECTING CURVES

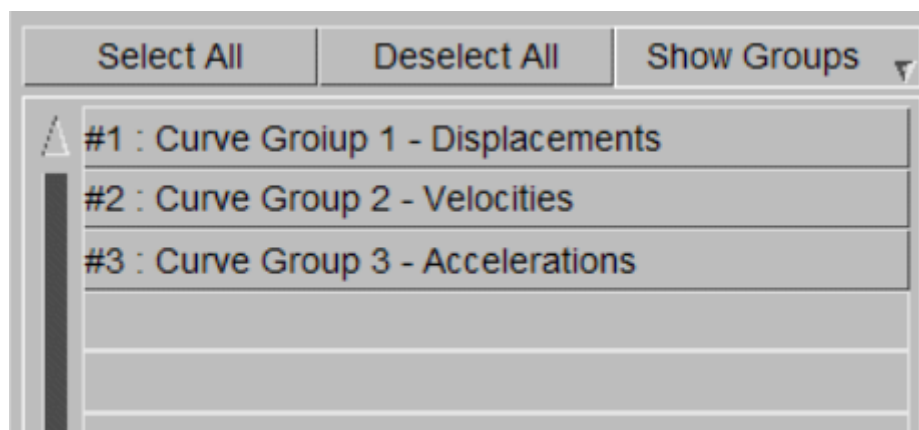


By default the Style menu will display a list of all the current defined curves so that the style for individual curves can be modified



Instead of displaying individual curves the style menu can be changed to display a list of any currently defined curve groups.

If curve groups are selected then the style will be applied to all of the curves in the curve group.

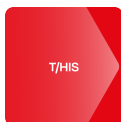


The style menu can also display a list of all the models currently loaded in T/HIS.

If models are selected then the style will be applied to any curve that was created using data from the model.



Select All	Deselect All	Show Models ▾
△	#2 : BASE T = 1.50	
	#3 : RUN 1 T = 1.30	
	#4 : RUN 2 T = 1.40	
	#5 : RUN 3 T = 1.60	
	#6 : RUN 4 T = 1.70	
	Others	



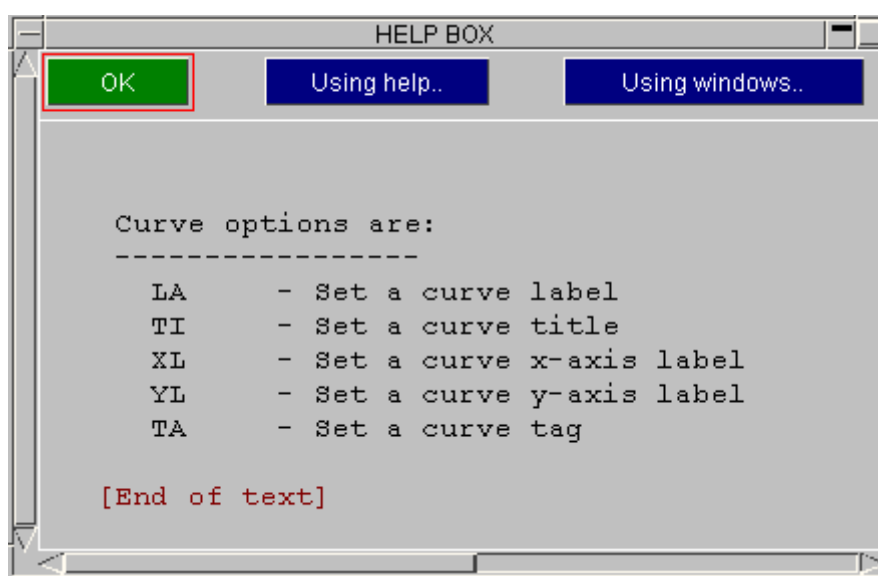
9.7.9. LINE STYLE EDITING IN THE DIALOGUE BOX

LINE STYLE EDITING IN THE DIALOGUE BOX

The dialogue box can be used to edit curve styles.

To access this feature, enter the command `/style` at the Command Prompt.

```
T/HIS > /cur
Curve > /cur
```



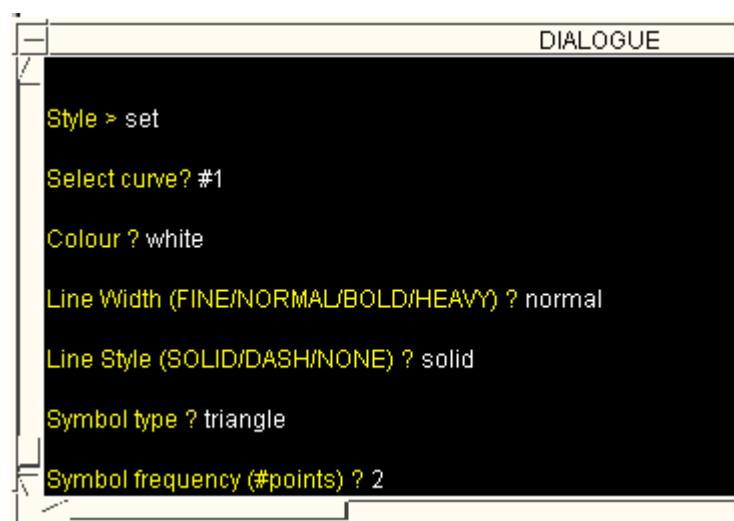
Enter `M` at the `STYLE >` command prompt for a list of all available dialogue box commands.

The following commands are available:

[SET](#)
[READ](#)
[WRITE](#)
[DEFAULT](#)
[FIX](#)
[GM](#)

SET

This option allows the user to set the style properties for individual curves.





Enter the curve number (e.g #1 for curve 1) at the **select Curve?** command prompt.

T/HIS will prompt the user to input the desired style properties in the order:

Colour; Enter the colour for the line

Line Width; Enter the desired line width for the line

Line Style; Enter the desired line style (e.g. dashed) for the line

Symbol Type; Enter the desired Symbol Type

Symbol Frequency; Enter the desired frequency of the symbols in the format

READ

This option allows the user to read a style file containing style information and apply that style to a particular curve.

Enter the name of the style file at the **style File?** command prompt.

WRITE

This option allows the user to write a style file containing style information.

DEFAULT

This option allows the user to reset all the curve styles to the default settings.

FIX

This is an **ON / OFF** switch which resets the curve styles when they are plotted on the screen so that the curves cycle through the default T/HIS colours and styles as they are plotted. This will result in the first curve being plotted always being white, the second red, the third green, etc regardless of their curve numbers. The default is **OFF**.

GM

This option will display the Global Menu in a separate window.



9.7.10. LABEL AND TITLE EDITING IN THE DIALOGUE BOX

LABEL AND TITLE EDITING IN THE DIALOGUE BOX

The dialogue box can be used to edit curve labels, x-axis and y-axis labels and curve titles.

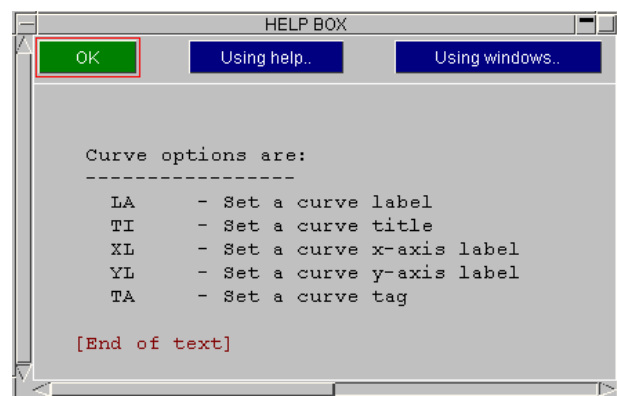
To access this feature, enter the command `/cur` at the Command Prompt.

```
T/HIS > /cur  
Curve > /cur
```

Enter `M` at the **CURVE** > command prompt for a list of all available dialogue box commands.

The following commands are available:

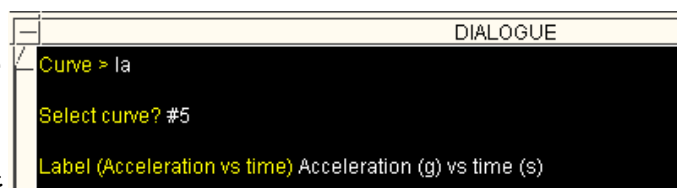
[LA](#)
[TI](#)
[XL](#)
[YL](#)
[TA](#)



LA

This option allows the user to edit the label for individual curves.

Enter the curve number at the **Select curve?** prompt.



Enter the desired new label at the Label prompt, the current Label will be displayed in brackets.

TI



This option allows the user to edit the title for individual curves.

Enter the curve number at the **Select curve?** prompt.

Enter the desired new title at the Title prompt, the current title will be displayed in brackets.

DIALOGUE	
Curve > ti	
Select curve? #5	
Title (Acceleration time, Analysis)	Acceleration vs time, Analysis

XL

This option allows the user to edit the x-axis label for individual curves.

Enter the curve number at the **Select curve?** prompt.

Enter the desired new title at the X- Axis prompt, the current x-axis label will be displayed in brackets.

DIALOGUE	
Curve > xl	
Select curve? #5	
X-Axis (Time)	Time (s)

YL

This option allows the user to edit the y-axis label for individual curves.

Enter the curve number at the **Select curve?** prompt.

Enter the desired new title at the Y- Axis prompt, the current y-axis label will be displayed in brackets.

DIALOGUE	
Curve > yl	
Select curve? #5	
Y-Axis (Acceleration)	Acceleration (g)

TA

This option allows the user to edit the tag for individual curves.

Enter the curve number at the **Select curve?** prompt.

Enter the desired new Tag at the Tag prompt, the current tag will be displayed in brackets.

DIALOGUE	
Curve > ta	
Select curve? #5	
Tag ()	Acc_1

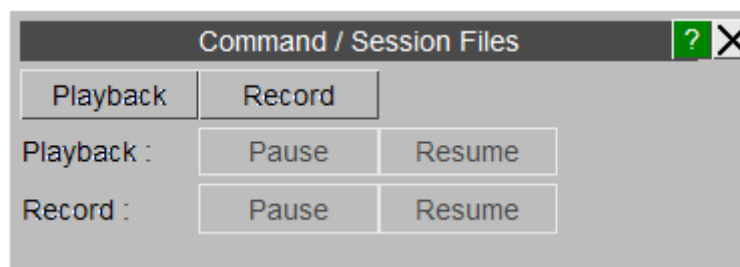


9.8. Command/Session Files

Command / Session Files

Command and session files are used to drive or record a T/HIS session. Both session (save) and command (playback) files have been set up to act like tape recorders; and the concept of "recording" and "playing back" files will be used below.

These files ("button click" command files) are not easy to edit by hand and they are not always backwards compatible between versions of T/HIS. For these reasons most users prefer the newer [FAST-TCF](#) format, which can also be recorded and [played back](#) from within T/HIS.



In screen menu mode a command has a meaning beyond the simple command word. For example, **HELP** appears in many different places, with a distinct meaning (or relevance) in each place. Therefore, context information is stored when saving screen menu session files.

In practice the following information is saved:

- the command itself - whether typed or inferred from a button
- the button identification (if any)
- the parent window identification
- the menu item (if relevant)
- the action type (screen pick, button press, etc)
- any x/y coordinates that may be relevant.

A choice of either writing ("recording") session files or executing ("playing back") command files is given. By default commands are not saved. If they are to be saved the session file record switch must be turned on.



9.8.1. Writing ("Recording") Session Files

Writing ("Recording") Session Files

To write a session file the **Record** tab must be pressed, displaying the **RECORD COMMAND FILES** menu shown below.

Command / Session Files

Playback

Record

Playback :

Pause

Resume

Record :

Pause

Resume

File saving & mode

☐ Review mode

☐ Record mode

SAVE TO DISK

DELETE TO EOF

File position and control

<< SEARCH

RECORD >

SEARCH >>

< STEP

STOP

STEP >

TOP

Goto line:

END

INDEX...

SPEED...

Current command status

Line no:

2 / 2

Box name:

Top menu box

Function:

Button Press

Command:

Command File

Pressing the **RECORD >** button will start the session file. Thereafter, all commands (except those in the session/playback windows) are saved in an internal scratch file. In order to save these commands to disk they must be written explicitly using the **SAVE TO DISK** button. They can then be read back in and replayed

A variety of features are available to help move around the file. These are shown in the **FILE POSITION AND CONTROL** area of the panel. The file can be indexed at particular



user defined points using the **INDEX MARKS** menu is accessed by pressing the [INDEX...](#) button. These may be used as targets of a search and also to control recording.

The scratch file is random access, and can be moved back and forth and reviewed at will. To help with this it is possible to switch between **RECORD** and **REVIEW** modes in the session file control box:

RECORD records all your commands when running

REVIEW plays back your recorded commands

A command file can be stepped through or run backwards or forwards. It may also be searched for a particular command. As with a real tape recorder, if the pointer is moved backwards and recording continued the commands that were previously stored will be overwritten from that point.

The session file recording and command file playback operations are totally separate: they can be thought of as two separate tape recorders. As a consequence it is possible to record commands that are being played back: in effect it is possible to edit and combine files.



9.8.2. Executing ("Playing Back") Command Files

Executing ("Playing Back") Command Files

Similar to recording Session Files, the **PLAYBACK COMMAND FILES** menu, shown below, must be invoked from the **COMMAND/SESSION FILES** window.

This is done by pressing the **Playback** tab. An existing file must then be read. This is analogous to loading a tape into the tape recorder: it is then converted into an internal scratch format (random access, as above) and can be played back or previewed at will.

Once a file is read in either **PLAYBACK** or **PREVIEW** mode may be selected:

PLAYBACK actually executes the commands,

PREVIEW simply lists them without executing them.

The file may be stepped through backwards or forwards at will, and searches made for commands. Playback commences at the current line when **PLAY** is pressed, so it is possible to skip unwanted commands or repeat a sequence.

As with **RECORD** above, index marks can be inserted, which may be used as targets of a search and also to stop playback.



Command / Session Files

Playback

Record

Playback :

Pause

Resume

Record :

Pause

Resume

Filename and mode

File:

E:\roger.tcf

☐ Preview mode

☐ Playback mode

REREAD FILE

DELETE FILE

File position and control

<< SEARCH

PLAY >

SEARCH >>

< STEP

STOP

STEP >

TOP

Goto line:

END

INDEX...

SPEED...

ERRORS...

Current command status

Line no:

2 / 3

Box name:

Top menu box

Function:

Button Press

Command:

Command File



9.8.3. INDEX MARKS

INDEX MARKS

"Index marks" are optional flags that you can set at any line in a file. They are not interpreted as commands but rather treated as markers which are used as targets of [SEARCH](#) operation. Index mark functions are:

SET	Set an index mark on this line;
CLEAR	Clear an index mark set on this line
STOP	Stop in PLAY/REVIEW mode when index found
IGNORE	Ignore index marks during PLAY/REVIEW
FIND INDEX	Finds the next index mark: "<<" searching backwards, ">>" searching forwards
CLEAR ALL	Clear all index marks in the file

Index marks

Index at this line:

Index mark action:



9.8.4. SEARCH

SEARCH

The **SEARCH** buttons can be used to find a specific command when in **REVIEW** mode. You can search through the command file for a match to any permutation of the following:

Box name	The name of a screen menu box inside which an event occurred
Function	The screen menu function type. This is "button press", "dialogue", etc;
Command	The command word(s) to look for.

The default for all of these is "<any>", i.e. a wildcard search, but you can specify a value by typing into the appropriate text box. When you have filled in all the fields you need, press **APPLY** to start the search. **Box name** and **Function** fields are unlikely to be of use to most users, you can list all valid events using the **?** button to provide a menu to pick from. The **ANY** button may be used for any field to restore it to its default (wildcard) status.

Search Specification

Box name:	<any>	?	ANY
Function:	<any>	?	ANY
Command:	<any>	ANY	
APPLY		DISMISS	HELP



9.8.5. Command Line Mode Session/Command File Control

Command Line Mode Session / Command File Control

The available features in command line mode for command and session file control are very basic. A session file can be recorded at any point by typing **sf** (in the **GLOBAL MENU**) followed by the desired filename. This is equivalent to the **RECORD** button in screen menu mode. The session file can be closed by typing **cs** and is automatically written to disk. This is equivalent to pressing the **STOP** and **SAVE TO DISK** buttons in screen menu mode.

To execute an existing command file in T/HIS simply type **cf** , followed by the filename.

No previewing/reviewing or editing of command/session files is possible in command line mode.



9.8.6. Command Files From Earlier Versions of T/HIS

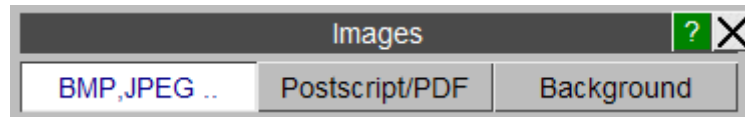
Command Files From Earlier Versions Of T/HIS

Command files recorded in Version 9.0 or earlier will not work in T/HIS 23.0 .



9.9. IMAGE Options

IMAGE Options

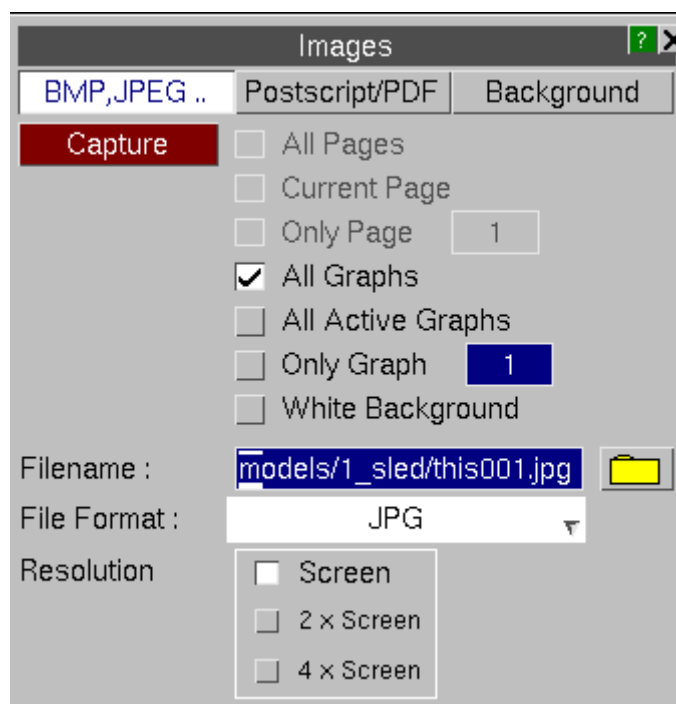




9.9.1. BMP, JPEG...

BMP, JPEG ...

This menu can be used to save an image containing one or more graphs in a number of different formats.



All Pages

Each page will be saved as a single image to multiple files. The filenames used will be based on the filename selected by the user. *This option will only be available if T/HIS contains multiple graphs on more than one page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*

Current Page

A single image containing currently displayed page will be generated.

Only Page (n)

A single image containing the selected page will be generated. *This option will only be available if T/HIS contains multiple graphs on more than one page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*

All Graphs

A single image will be generated containing all of the graphs. *This option will only be available if T/HIS only contains a single page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*

All Active Graphs

A single image will be generated containing all of the currently active graphs. *This option will only be available if T/HIS only contains a single page ([see Pae Layouts](#)).*

Only Graph (n)

A single image containing the selected graph will be generated.



White Background

Captures the image with a white background and black foreground. Once the image is captured the colours are reset to their original values.

File Format

8-bit file formats

BMP Uncompressed

Uncompressed 8 bit Microsoft Windows bitmap. The approximate size of the file (in bytes) is file size = image width * image height

BMP Compressed

8 bit RLE Microsoft Windows bitmap.

PNG

8 bit Portable Network Graphics

GIF

Graphics Interchange Format

24-bit file formats

BMP

Uncompressed 24 bit Microsoft Windows bitmap. The approximate size of the file (in bytes) is file size = 3 * image width * image height

PNG

24 bit Portable Network Graphics

JPG

JPEG (Joint Photographic Experts Group) file

PPM

Uncompressed **P**ortable **P**ix **M**ap. The approximate size of the file (in bytes) is file size = 3 * image width * image height

8 bit BMP (Uncompressed) ▼

8-bit file formats

BMP (Uncompressed)

BMP (Compressed)

PNG

GIF

24-bit file formats

BMP

PNG

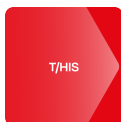
JPG

PPM

Resolution

All images can be output at either the screen resolution or at a resolution of either 2 or 4 times the screen resolution.

- ☐ Screen
- ☐ 2 x Screen
- ☐ 4 x Screen

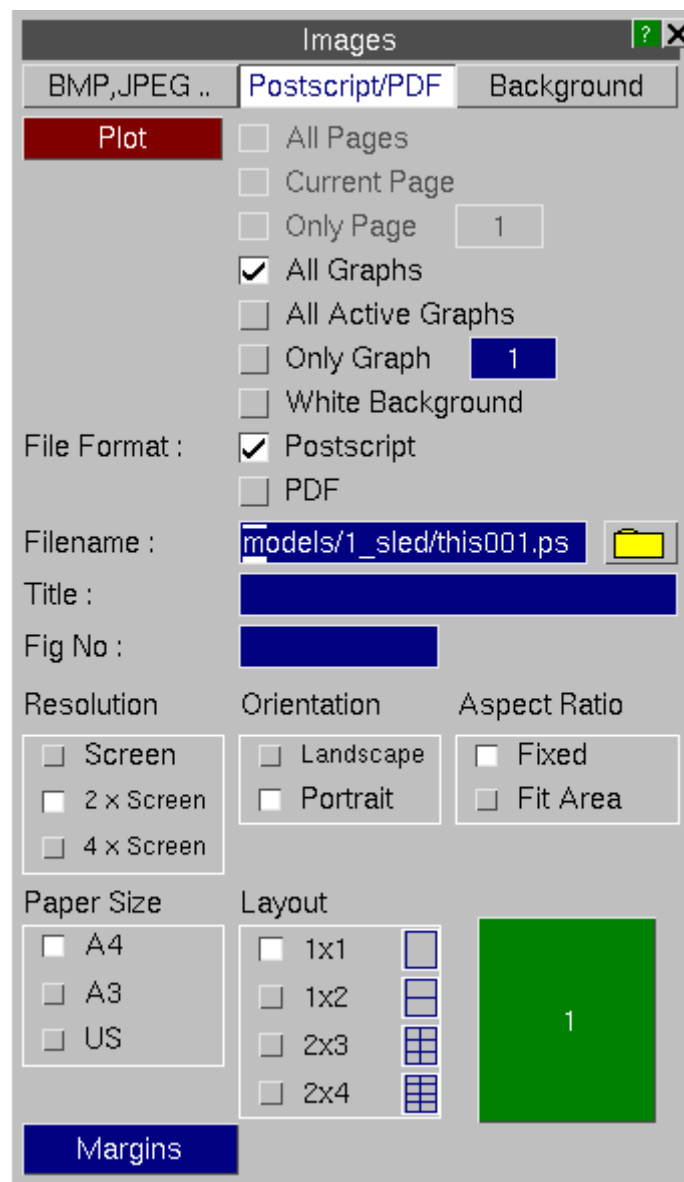


9.9.2. Postscript

Postscript

This menu can be used to save an image containing one or more graphs to either a PDF or Postscript file.

All PDF and Postscript files are generated using raster images so that the contents of the screen is exactly reproduced.



All Pages

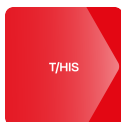
All T/HIS pages containing 1 or more graphs will be saved to a single file. *This option will only be available if T/HIS contains multiple graphs on more than one page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*

Current Page

The current T/HIS page will be saved. *This option will only be available if T/HIS contains multiple graphs on more than one page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*



- Only Page (n)** A single image containing the selected page will be generated. *This option will only be available if T/HIS contains multiple graphs on more than one page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*
- All Graphs** A single image will be generated containing all of the graphs. *This option will only be available if T/HIS only contains a single page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*
- All Active Graphs** A single image will be generated containing all of the currently active graphs. *This option will only be available if T/HIS only contains a single page ([see Page Layouts](#)).*
- Only Graph (n)** A single image containing the selected graph will be generated.
- White Background** Captures the image with a white background and black foreground. Once the image is captured the colours are reset to their original values.



File Format

All images can be output in either Postscript or PDF file format.

☒ Postscript
☐ PDF

Title

By default PDF and Postscript files are not labeled and have no figure number, but you may add either or both of these. They are always put at the bottom of each page, along the short edge, regardless of the orientation used for plots.

Test output 1
1.1

Resolution

All images can be output at either the screen resolution or at a resolution of either 2 or 4 times the screen resolution.

☐ Screen
☐ 2 x Screen
☐ 4 x Screen

Orientation

All images can be output in either landscape or portrait format.

☐ Landscape
☐ Portrait

Aspect Ratio

By default all images are output using a fixed aspect ratio. This option can be used to stretch each image to fit the available space on the page. Different scaling factors will be applied to the horizontal and vertical directions and the image will be distorted.

☐ Fixed
☐ Fit Area

Paper Size

The paper size can be set to be either A4 (210 x 296mm), A3 (296 x 420mm) or US (letter - 216 x 279mm). The default size is A4.

☐ A4
☐ A3
☐ US

Layout

Multiple plots on a page are also available. In landscape format there is a choice of 1, 2x2, 3x3 and 4x4 plots to a page. In portrait format there is a choice of 1, 1x2, 2x3 and 2x4 plots on a page. By default there is a single plot on a page.

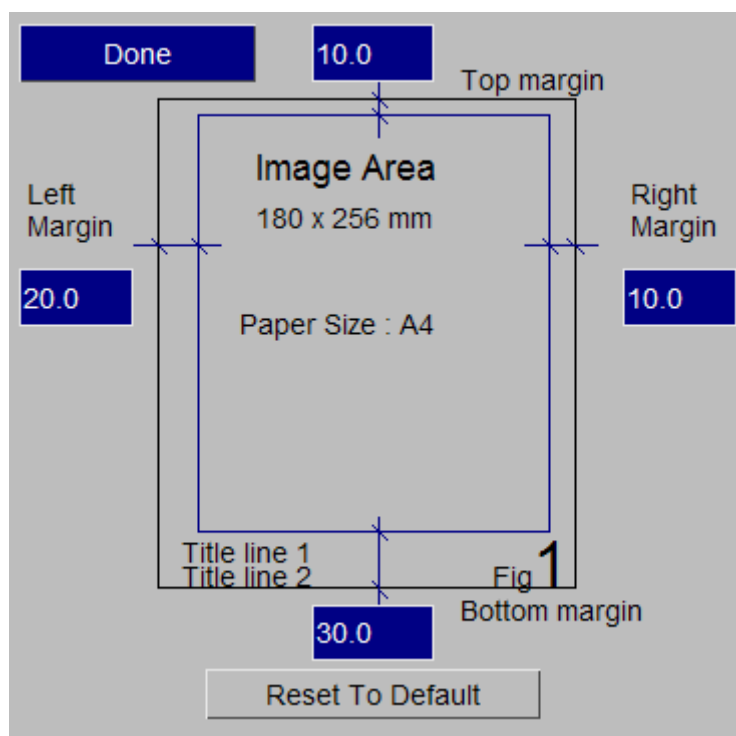
☐ 1x1 
☐ 1x2 
☐ 2x3 
☐ 2x4 

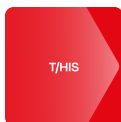
When multiple plots are requested the order in which they are performed can be defined.

Margins



The Margins can be used to change the top, bottom, left and right margins for each page.

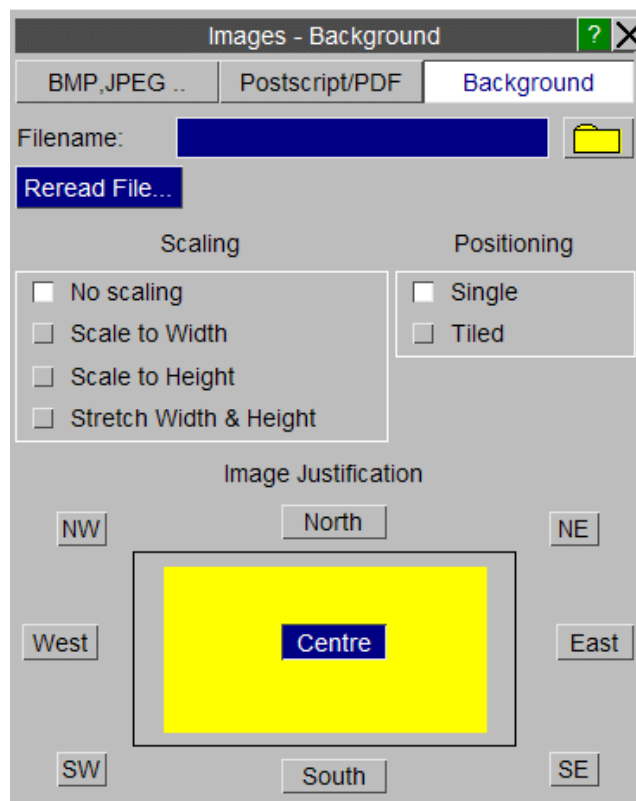




9.9.3. Background

Background

This option can be used to add a background image to each graph (see section [Background](#) for more details).





9.10. OPERATE Options

OPERATE

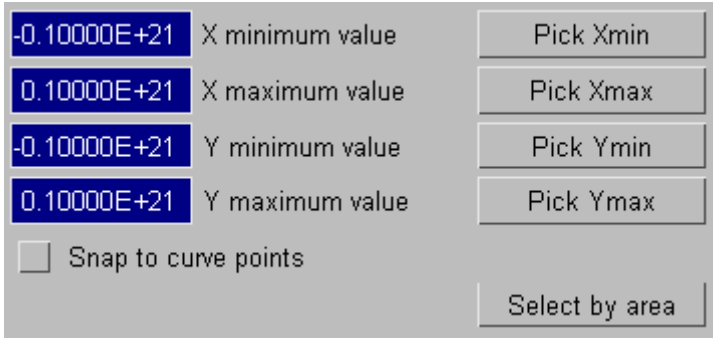
The **OPERATE** menu shown in the figure (below). If the mouse is left hovering over an option a short description of the function will appear.

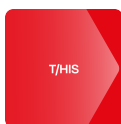
For these functions, the user selects a range of curves to be operated on. A range may be one or more curves, making it possible to operate on multiple curves, for example add 20 curves to 20 curves.

ABS	ADD (y)	ADD (x)	AVE	CAT	CLIP
COM	DIF	DIV (y)	DIV (x)	ENV	ERR
INT	LSQ	MAP	MAX	MIN	MON
MUL (y)	MUL (x)	NOR (y)	NOR (x)	ORDER	REC
RES	REV	R-AVE	SMO	SQR	STRESS
SUB (y)	SUB (x)	SUM	TRA	VEC	VEC(2D)
WINDOW	ZERO	dB	dBa	Octave	

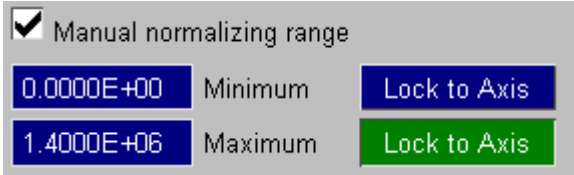
The options with the **OPERATE** menu are split into 3 groups. The first group require 2 sets of curves as input. The second group require a single set of curves as input. The third group also require a single set of curves as input but the output from these functions is a single curve. (See [Curve Operations](#) for more information on curve groups).

ABS	Produces the absolute y-values of a curve.
ADD (y)	Add the y axis values together for two curves or add a constant value to all the y-values. If two curves are being added together they must have identical x-axis values. If not, the resultant curve is generated by considering every x-coordinate on both curves and by interpolating the other curve as needed. Any duplicate points as well as points outside the range where the input curves overlap are culled as needed.
ADD (x)	Add the x axis values together for two curves or add a constant value to all the x-values. If two curves are being added together they must have identical y-axis values. If not, the nth x-value from the second curve is simply added to the corresponding x-value on the first curve and the y-value from the first curve gets used by the resultant as is.
AVE	Produces a single curve that is the average of the input curves.

CAT	Concatenate the second curve to the end of the first.
CLIP	Clip a curve to remove any points that exceed a set of specified minimum and maximum x & y axis value. The user is prompted for minimum and maximum values after the curves have been selected..  Instead of typing in values for the limits individual x and y axis minimum and maximum values can be selected by picking screen points. In addition to picking individual points an area can be dragged out interactively to set all 4 limits. When picking screen points the default is to allow any point to be selected. Snap to curve points can be used to select the point on the nearest curve instead of the screen coordinates.
COM	Two curves are combined to give a new curve. For example if a displacement/time curve is combined with a velocity/time curve a velocity/displacement curve will result. If the 2 curves do not contain points at the same x values then the curve with the larger x-axis intervals is automatically mapped on to the x-axis values of the other curve. If the curves do not start and finish at the same x-axis values then only the points for which the two curve x-axes overlap are mapped onto each other.
DIF	A curve is differentiated with respect to the x-axis variable.
DIV (y)	Divide the y axis values of the first curve by the y axis values of the second curve (or a constant). If two curves are being used they must have identical x-axis values. If not, the resultant curve is generated by considering every x-coordinate on both curves and by interpolating the other curve as needed. Any duplicate points as well as points



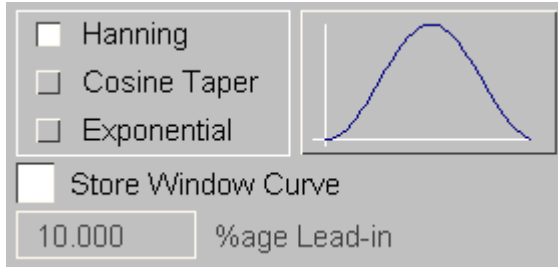
	outside the range where the input curves overlap are culled as needed.														
DIV (x)	Divide the x axis values of the first curve by the x axis values of the second curve (or a constant). If two curves are being used they must have identical y-axis values. If not, the nth x-value on the first curve is simply divided by the corresponding x-value on the second curve and the y-value from the first curve gets used by the resultant as is.														
ENV	Produces a single curve that bounds the maximum and minimum values of the group of input curves.														
ERR	This option reports the degree of correlation between 2 input curves. The first curve selected is used as a reference curve and the following parameters are then reported : <table> <tr> <td></td><td>Value & Time</td></tr> <tr> <td>Maximum difference :</td><td>Value as a %age of reference curve</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>Value as a %age of reference curve peak value.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Average difference -</td><td>Value</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td>%age of reference curve peak value</td></tr> <tr> <td>Area Weighted Difference</td><td>0 to 1</td></tr> <tr> <td>Correlation Parameter -</td><td></td></tr> </table> For more details on this function please see Appendix G.		Value & Time	Maximum difference :	Value as a %age of reference curve		Value as a %age of reference curve peak value.	Average difference -	Value		%age of reference curve peak value	Area Weighted Difference	0 to 1	Correlation Parameter -	
	Value & Time														
Maximum difference :	Value as a %age of reference curve														
	Value as a %age of reference curve peak value.														
Average difference -	Value														
	%age of reference curve peak value														
Area Weighted Difference	0 to 1														
Correlation Parameter -															
INT	A curve is numerically integrated with respect to the x-axis variable using Simpson's rule.														
LSQ	Fits a straight line through the points using the least squares method.														
MAP	The second curve is mapped onto the first curve, the resulting curve has identical x-axis values to the reference (first) curve with y-axis values obtained from the mapped (second) curve.														
MAX	Produces a single curve that bounds the maximum values of the group of input curves.														
MIN	Produces a single curve that bounds the minimum values of the group of input curves.														
MON	Sorts a curve into monotonically increasing x-axis values.														
MUL (y)	Multiply the y axis values together for two curves or multiply all the y-values by a constant. If two curves are being multiplied together they must have identical x-axis values. If not, the resultant curve is generated by considering every x-coordinate on both curves and by interpolating the other curve as needed. Any duplicate points as well														

	as points outside the range where the input curves overlap are culled as needed.
MUL (x)	Multiply the x axis values together for two curves or multiply all the x-values by a constant. If two curves are being multiplied together they must have identical y-axis values. If not, the nth x-values on the two curves are simply multiplied together and the y-value from the first curve gets used by the resultant as is.
NOR (y)	Normalise a curve so that the y axis values lie in the range [-1, +1].  If the manual normalising range is checked then a custom value can be chosen to normalise with. The custom value chosen for normalising is calculated by taking the absolute maximum of the user-defined textbox values. In addition to this is the option to Lock to the specified Min and Max axis values which can be used for normalising the curve to the axis value. $y_{val} = \frac{y_{val}}{\max(\text{MinV} , \text{MaxV})}$ Where, MinV = Minimum Value MaxV = Maximum Value
NOR (x)	Normalise a curve so that the x axis values lie in the range [-1, +1].  If the manual normalising range is checked then a custom value can be chosen to normalise with. The custom value chosen for normalising is calculated by taking the absolute maximum of the user-defined textbox values.



	In addition to this is the option to Lock to the specified Min and Max axis values which can be used for normalising the curve to the axis value. $x_{val} = \frac{x_{val}}{\max(\text{MinV} , \text{MaxV})}$ Where, MinV = Minimum Value MaxV = Maximum Value
ORDER	Reverse the order of all the points in the curve.
REC	Produces the reciprocal of the y-values of a curve.
RES	Calculate the vector magnitude from a group of input curves.
REV	Reverses the x and y axes of a curve. For example if you start with a curve with displacement (y axis) against time (x axis) you end up with a curve of time (y axis) against displacement (x axis).
R-AVE	Produces a single curve of the running average on the input curve. 0.0000 Averaging Window If the time window is set to 0 then the y values for the output curve are the average value of all the point up to that point. If the time window is non-zero (T) then the y values at each point are calculated by averaging the values between -T/2 and +T/2.
SMO	A moving average technique is used to smooth (filter) a curve. The user will be prompted for a smoothing factor. Smoothing Factor > 1 (integer) 7 The integer refers to the number of points included in the averaging of each point. The value you want will depend on the number of points in the curve and the amount of smoothing required. A certain amount of trial and error is necessary to get the required result.
SQR	Take the square root of the y-values of a curve.



STRESS	Converts a stress / strain curve between True and Engineering Stress /Strain.
SUB (y)	Subtract the y axis value (or constant) of the second curve from the first curve. If two curves are being subtracted they must have identical x-axis values. If not, the resultant curve is generated by considering every x-coordinate on both curves and by interpolating the other curve the other curve as needed. Any duplicate points as well as points outside the range where the input curves overlap are culled as needed.
SUB (x)	Subtract the x axis value (or constant) of the second curve from the first curve. If two curves are being subtracted they must have identical y-axis values. If not, the nth x-value from the second curve is simply subtracted from the corresponding x-value on the first curve and the y-value from the first curve gets used by the resultant as is.
SUM	Calculates the sum of a group of curves. This "sums" up the y-axis values of a group of curves, and maps the result onto the x-axis of the first curve.
TRA	Translate a curve with respect to the x and y axes. The user is prompted for the x and y values. 
VEC	Calculate the vector magnitude from three input curves.
VEC(2D)	Calculate the vector magnitude from two input curves.
WINDOW	This function is typically used to modify a curve before carrying out an FFT on it.  The y-axis values for each of the input curves is multiplied by a factor between 0 and 1. Three different window shapes are available. The Store Window Curve option can be used to output the multiplying factors to a separate curve if required.



ZERO	Translate a curve so that the first data point is moved to (0,0). ☐ Zero X and Y ☐ Zero X only ☐ Zero Y only By default this option will translate the curve in both X and Y, alternatively the curve can be translated in X only or Y only.
dB	Converts a curve to dB. $f(x) = 20\log(y/\text{ref})$ 1.0000 Reference Value
dBA	Converts a curve from dB to dBA by applying "A" weighting factors to the curve values. ☐ Use "narrow band" A weighting ☐ Use 1/3rd Octave A weighting • Narrow band A weighting values are calculated using a formula. • 1/3 Octave A weighting values are calculated from a lookup table.
Octave	Converts a curve from narrow band to either Octave bands or 1/3 rd Octave bands. ☐ 1/3rd Octave Bands ☐ Octave Bands ☐ Linear Input ☐ dB Input ☐ Generate RMS values ☐ Generate Mean values The input curve can either be a curve that has already been converted to dB or it can be an unconverted "linear" curve. The output curve can also be generated using either Mean values or RMS values.
Regres	Fits data with either a linear, polynomial (degree 1-4), logarithmic or exponential regression curve, using least squares.

☐ Linear
 ☒ Polynomial (degree 1-6) 3
☐ Logarithmic
 ☐ Exponential

The equation of the regression curve, as well as the value of Pearson's correlation coefficient, R^2 , can be found by right-clicking the output curve and selecting properties. The value of R^2 gives a measure of the goodness of fit of the regression curve, with a value close to 1 corresponding to a good fit.

In the case of linear regression, the standard deviation of the gradient, intercept and y values are also provided in the properties pop-up accessed through right-clicking the curve. Additionally, 95% confidence and prediction bands can be displayed around the linear regression curve by selecting **Properties** in the top-right Tools panel, then selecting **All Curves** and ticking **Show CBands** next to the output regression curve. The confidence band, which is the inner of the two bands, gives a 95% confidence interval at each x value for the best value of y. The prediction band gives a 95% confidence interval at each x value for predicting a new value of y.

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Regression data
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Curve equation y = -28.54094x + 0.38050
Pearson's R^2    0.916936
S.D. y = bx + c  0.050093
S.D. Gradient    0.608944
S.D. Intercept   0.007040
    
```



9.11. MATHS Options

MATHS Options

The **MATHS** menu is shown in the figure (below). This menu allows mathematical operations to be applied to curves. These options are self explanatory and work on the y-value of the curve (except where explicitly stated).

Note: Trigonometrical functions expect the user to work in radians.

SQRT	LOG	EXP	LOG10	** n	LOG(x)
LOG10(x)	SIN	ASIN	COS	ACOS	TAN
ATAN	ATAN2				

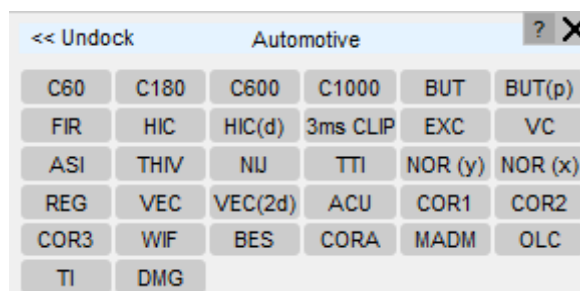
SQRT	The square root of a curve.
LOG	Natural log (to base e)
EXP	e to power of
LOG10	Log to base 10
**n	Raise to power n
LOG(x)	Natural log (x-axis values)
LOG10(x)	Log to base 10 (x-axis values)
SIN	Sine (radians assumed)
ASIN	Arc sine
COS	Cosine
ACOS	Arc cosine
TAN	Tangent
ATAN	Arc tangent
ATAN2	Arc tangent using two curves



9.12. AUTOMOTIVE Options

AUTOMOTIVE Options

The **AUTOMOTIVE** menu is shown in the figure (below). The automotive options are a number of operations that can be performed on curves, typically finding their use in the Automotive industry. They consist of filters and injury criteria calculations, along with a number of other useful functions.



All the options in the **AUTOMOTIVE** menu require a single set of curves as input except the **VEC** and **VEC(2D)** options which require groups of 3 or 2 curves respectively as input but only output a single curve. (See [Curve Operations](#) for more information on curve groups).

Notes on using the various filters

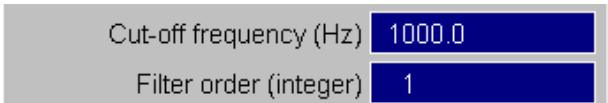
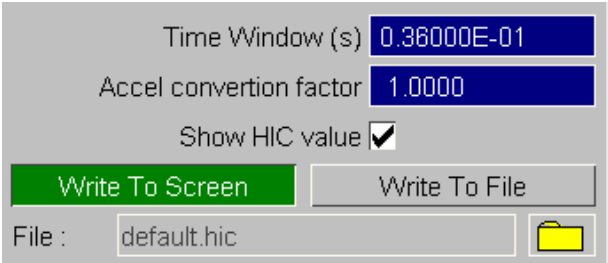
When filtering curves the sampling rate of the data should be considered: it should be at least twenty times the filter cutoff frequency if good results are to be obtained.

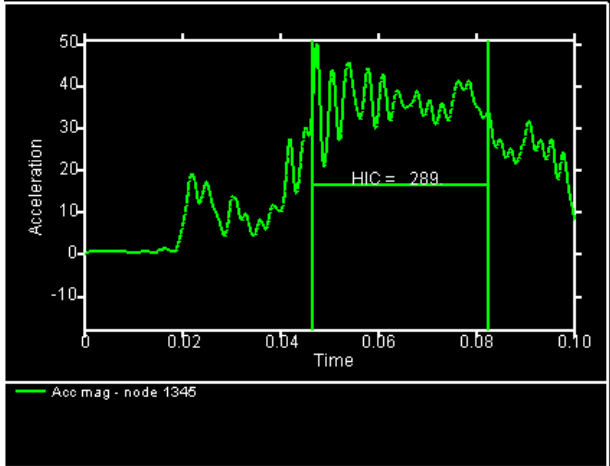
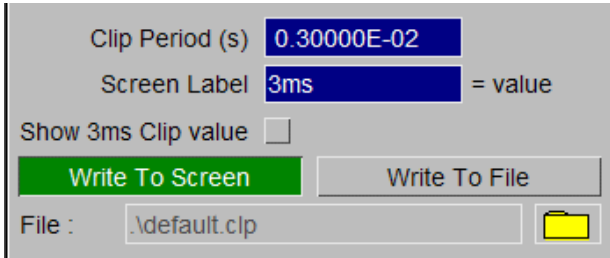
T/HIS will reject attempts to filter curves for which the sampling rate is too low, if this happens the **REG** option can be used to increase the number of points. This will allow the filter to function although it is not a good substitute for obtaining data at a higher sampling rate.

For more information on the filters and injury criteria calculations see [Appendices D & E](#).

All of the filters expect the input curve to have a consistent time interval. When using one of the filter options the user can specify a time interval for the curve to be automatically regularised to (**REG**) before filtering if the time interval is not consistent. The user can set a default time interval for regularising the input curves in the PREFERENCE menu. The PREFERENCE menu can also be used to automatically convert the x axis values from milliseconds to seconds before filtering and to convert the curve back to milliseconds afterwards.

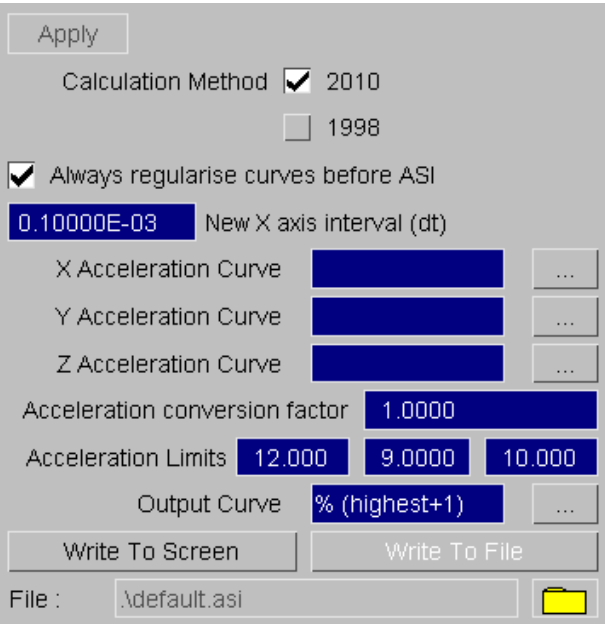
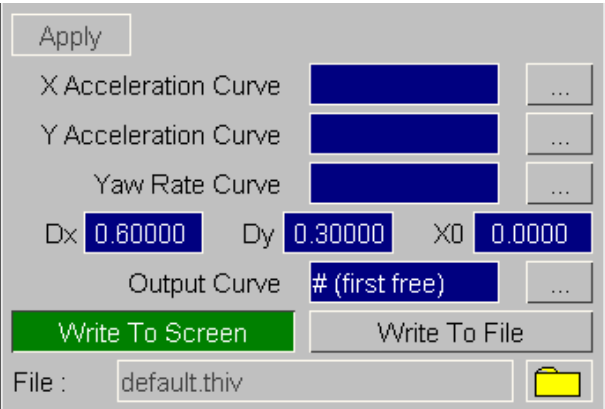
C60	Filter a curve using a standard SAE Class 60 filter.

C180	Filter a curve using a standard SAE Class 180 filter.		
C600	Filter a curve using a standard SAE Class 600 filter.		
C1000	Filter a curve using a standard SAE Class 1000 filter.		
BUT	The curve is passed through a Butterworth filter. The user is prompted for the cutoff frequency and the order of the filter. 		
BUT(p)	This passes a curve through a Pure Butterworth filter. This is the same as the BUT function above, but the two refinements, described in Appendix D , to minimise end-effects and phase change errors are not included.		
FIR	Special filter for US "SID" dummy.		
HIC	Calculates the Head Impact Criteria from an acceleration time history. The user is prompted for the time window and the acceleration conversion factor.  Normally this option writes the HIC value to the screen. If required the values may also be written out to a file using the WRITE TO FILE option. The time unit for the input curve should be seconds. T/HIS looks at the range of the x-axis values and if the range is >10 then T/HIS will assume the x-axis values are in ms and it will automatically divide the x-axis values by 1000. If the y-axis values are not in (G) then an optional factor can be specified that T/HIS will DIVIDE the y-axis values by to convert them to (G). Example factors for different units are : <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Unit</th><th>Factor</th></tr> </thead> </table>	Unit	Factor
Unit	Factor		

	m/s^2 9.81 mm/s^2 9810 mm/ms^2 0.00981 In addition to calculating and reporting the HIC value the time window and value can be displayed on the graph using the Show HIC Value option. See Appendix E for more details on the Head Impact Criteria calculation. 
HIC(d)	HIC(d) is used to calculate the Head Injury Criteria for the Free Motion Headform used within the FMVSS201 legislation. The equivalent dummy HIC(d) is calculated as follows $\sqrt[4]{\text{HIC(d)} = 0.75446 * (\text{free motion headform HIC}) + 166}$
3ms CLIP	Calculates the 3ms clip value from an acceleration time history. Normally this option writes the value to the screen, and produces a curve of the clip region.  By default the screen value will be labeled as " 3ms = value ". This label can be modified by specifying a different Screen Label.



	If required the values may also be written out to a file using the WRITE TO FILE option. In addition to calculating and reporting the 3ms clip value the time window and value can be displayed on the graph using the Show 3ms Clip Value option. See Appendix E for more details on the 3ms clip calculation.
EXC	Calculate and displays an EXCeedence plot. This is a plot of force (y-axis) versus cumulative time (x-axis) for which the force level has been exceeded. By default the Automatic option will create an exceedence plot using either the +ve OR the -ve values depending on which the input curve contains most of. The Positive option will calculate the exceedence plot using only the points with +ve y values. The Negative option will calculate the exceedence plot using only the points with -ve y values. ☐ Automatic ☐ Positive ☐ Negative
VC	Calculates the Viscous Criteria from an compression time history. The user is prompted for the constants A and B. See Appendix E for more details. $VC = A[V(t) \times C(t)]$ A (constant) 1.3000 $C(t) = D(t)/B$ B (constant) 0.22900

ASI	Acceleration Severity Index. This value is used to assess the performance of road side crash barriers. This option requires 3 acceleration input curves. The user is prompted for the acceleration limits in the 3 directions. The calculation method can be set to 2010 (BS EN 1317-1:2010) or 1998 (BS EN 1317-1:1998). See Appendix E for more details on this calculation. 
THIV	Theoretical Head Impact Velocity and the Post Impact Head Deceleration. These values are used to assess the performance of road side crash barriers. This option requires 3 input curves, a longitudinal and lateral acceleration and a rotation rate. The user is prompted for the constants Dx, Dy and X0. See Appendix E for more details on these calculations. 

NIJ

Biomechanical neck injury predictor. Used as a measure of injury due to the load transferred through the occipital condyles.

The screenshot shows a software interface for the NIJ predictor. It includes an 'Apply' button at the top left. Below it are three input fields for curves: 'Shear Curve' (set to #1), 'Axial Curve' (set to #2), and 'Moment Curve' (set to #3). Each has a dropdown menu with a three-dot icon. Below these are four input fields for constants: 'Fzc (Tension)' (388E+0), 'Fzc (Comp)' (388E+0), 'Myc (Flexion)' (155E+0), and 'Myc (Extension)' (1610E+0). There is also an 'e (distance)' field set to 0.00. At the bottom is an 'Output Curve' field set to '# (first free)' with a three-dot icon.

This option requires 3 input curves. 1 to represent Shear force, 1 to represent Axial force and a third to represent bending moment in the dummy's upper neck loadcell. Enter these curves in the corresponding input boxes.

The 4 critical constants used to calculate NIJ; **Fzc (Tension)**, **Fzc (Comp)**, **Myc (Flexion)** and **Myc (Extension)** default to the values specified by the test creators. These can be changed by entering different values into the respective boxes.

Enter the e distance into the **e (distance)** box.

Select which curves you wish to output to in the **Output** box.

For more information on the calculation of NIJ, refer to [Biomechanical neck injury predictor \(NIJ\)](#).

NIJ will output 4 curves due to the 4 possible loading conditions for Nij;

9	9	△	Nte
10	10	□	Ntf
11	11	◇	Nce
12	12	▽	Ncf

Nte is the tension-extension condition

Ntf is the tension-flexion condition

Nce is the compression-extension condition

Ncf is the compression-flexion condition

TTI

Thorax Trauma Index:

This option requires 3 input curves. 1 to represent the Upper Rib Acceleration, 1 to represent the Lower Rib Acceleration and a third to represent the Lower Spine (T12) Acceleration. Enter these curves in the corresponding input boxes.

The output can either be written to the screen, appearing in a listing box, or written to a file specified in the **File:** input box, or both.

If the **Write To Screen** option is toggled on, the following window will appear:

For more information on the calculation of TTI, refer to [The Thoracic Trauma Index \(TTI\)](#).

NOR(y)

Normalise the curve so that the Y values are within the range [-1, +1].

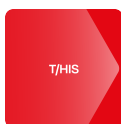
NOR(x)

Normalise the curve so that the X values are within the range [-1, +1].

REG

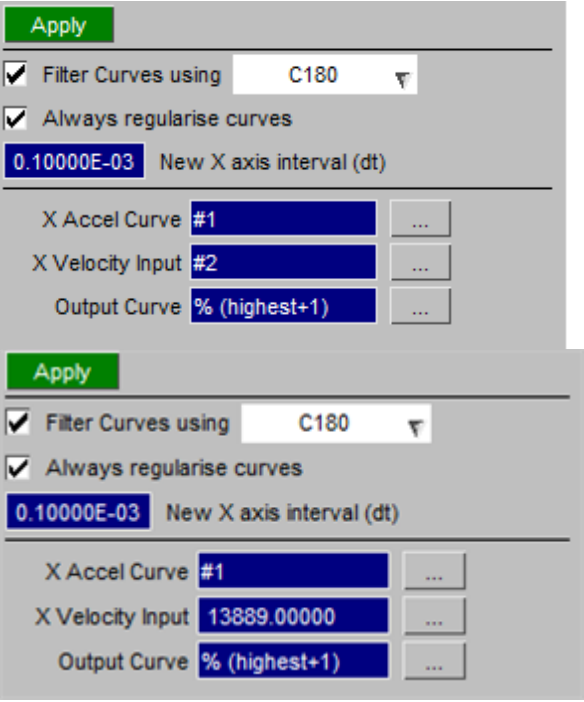
Make a curve have a constant time step.

It is necessary for a curve to have a constant time step between points for it to be filtered. This option takes an existing curve and prompts the user for a new time step. The points of the output curve are calculated by linear interpolation. Regularising a curve may alter its peak values, and could change filtered output slightly.



VEC	Calculate the vector magnitude of three input curves.
VEC(2D)	Calculate the vector magnitude of two input curves.
ACU	Airbag Control Unit This option evaluates the following equation: $\text{ACU}(T) = \int_{T-n}^T (a(t) - m) dt$ Where m = user-defined offset n = time to integrate over
COR1	Curve correlation function. The Correlation function provides a measure of the degree to which two curves match. When comparing curves by eye, the quality of correlation may be judged on the basis of how well matched are the patterns of peaks, the overall shapes of the curves, etc, and can allow for differences of timing as well as magnitude. Thus a simple function based on the difference of Y-values (such as T/HIS ERR function) does not measure correlation in the same way as the human eye. The T/HIS correlation function attempts to include and quantify the more subtle ways in which the correlation of two curves may be judged. The input parameters for the COR1 function have been chosen so as to produce a strict judgement of the correlation (see Appendix F for more details).
COR2	The COR2 function is the same as COR1 except the input parameters have been chosen so as to produce a less strict judgement of the correlation (see Appendix F for more details).
COR3	Another curve correlation function. This function first normalises the curves using two factors either specified by the user or defaults calculated by the program (the maximum absolute X and Y values of both graphs). For each point on the first normalised curve, the shortest distance to the second normalised curve is calculated. The root mean square value of all these distances is subtracted from 1 and then multiplied by 100 to get an index between 0 and 100. The process is repeated along the second curve and the two

	indices are averaged to get a final index. The higher the index the closer the correlation between the two curves. Note that the choice of normalising factors is important. Incorrect factors may lead to a correlation index outside the range of 0 to 100 (see Appendix F for more details).
WIF	Weighted Integrated Factor (WIFAC) curve correlation function. Compares curves using the Weighted Integrated Factor method (WIFAC). A value between 0 and 100 is calculated, the higher the index the closer the correlation between the two curves. See Appendix F for more details.
BES	The curve is passed through a Bessel filter. The user is prompted for the cutoff frequency and the order of the filter. Cut-off frequency (Hz) 1000.0 Filter order (integer) 1
CORA	T/HIS includes CORA (CORrelation and Analysis), an implementation of the methodology used by the Partnership for Dummy Technology and Biomechanics (PDB) software CORA. For more details, see Appendix F – CORA implementation.
MADM	The minimum area discrepancy method (MADM) is ideal for correlation between Ansys LS-DYNA simulations and physical tests when force versus deflection is the relationship of interest, and offers benefits over other correlation methods that focus on parameters versus time. For more details, see Appendix F – MADM Correlation tool.
OLC	The Occupant Load Criterion (OLC) is a parameter used to assess the MPDB-to-vehicle impact in the Euro NCAP Compatibility assessment. This operation requires two inputs: 1. The X-acceleration curve of the Barrier Model's Centre of gravity (CoG). 2. The Initial Velocity of the Barrier Model's CoG, which can be specified by either selecting the velocity curve or providing the initial velocity as a numerical input.

	There is also an option to auto-regularise and auto-filter the input curves, before calculating the OLC. The filter class can be chosen from the available Filter Curves using options.  The OLC operation outputs five curves: 1. Velocity Curve of the Virtual Occupant Model with OLC value and vertical lines to signify the end of the free flight phase and the end of the ideal restraint phase. 2. Velocity Curve of the Barrier Centre of Gravity. 3. Displacement Curve of the Barrier Centre of Gravity. 4. Displacement Curve of the Virtual Occupant Model. 5. Relative Displacement between the two Displacement curves. The display option for OLC value and vertical lines for the end of the free flight phase and the end of the ideal restraint phase can be toggled using the Show OLC value option in Tools → Settings → General. For more information on the calculation of OLC, refer to Appendix E → Occupant Load Criterion (OLC).
TI	Tibia Index (TI) is an injury criterion for the lower leg area used to predict the leg injuries.

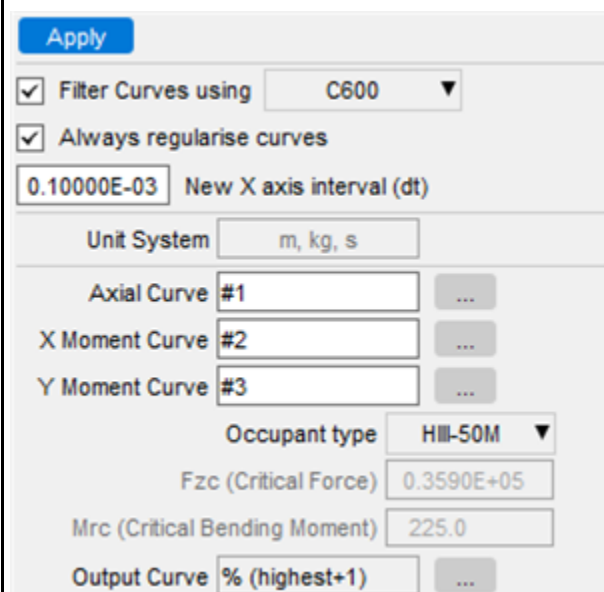
TI requires three input curves: Axial Curve, X Moment Curve and Y Moment Curve

Additionally, two constant inputs: Critical Force $\backslash(F_{zc})\backslash$ and Critical Bending Moment $\backslash(M_{rc})\backslash$.

These Critical constant values vary depending on the **Occupant type**. For the standard occupant types, $\backslash(F_{zc})\backslash$ and $\backslash(M_{rc})\backslash$ values are updated automatically. Otherwise, if the occupant type **Other** is selected then the Critical force and Critical Bending Moment values can be provided manually.

The unit system of the selected input curves is also displayed in this panel. The values of critical constants for the standard occupant types are internally converted to the unit system shown.

There is also an option to auto-regularise and auto-filter the input curves, before calculating the TI. The filter class can be chosen from the available **Filter Curves using** dropdown.



The screenshot shows a software interface for calculating the Tibia Index (TI). It includes an 'Apply' button at the top left. Below it, there are two checked checkboxes: 'Filter Curves using' (set to 'C600') and 'Always regularise curves'. A text field shows '0.10000E-03' with the label 'New X axis interval (dt)'. Below this is a 'Unit System' dropdown set to 'm, kg, s'. The main section contains three input fields for curves: 'Axial Curve' (set to '#1'), 'X Moment Curve' (set to '#2'), and 'Y Moment Curve' (set to '#3'), each with a selection button. Below these is an 'Occupant type' dropdown set to 'HIII-50M'. Further down are two text fields for critical values: 'Fzc (Critical Force)' (set to '0.3590E+05') and 'Mrc (Critical Bending Moment)' (set to '225.0'). At the bottom is an 'Output Curve' dropdown set to '% (highest+1)' with a selection button.

The TI operation outputs a single Tibia Index Curve.

For more information on the calculation of Tibia Index, refer to [Appendix E → Tibia Index \(TI\)](#).

DMG

The DAMAGE criterion (or DMG for short) is a brain injury metric which is based on deformation output from a second-order system of equations.

DMG requires three input curves: Head Rotation Velocity X, Head Rotation Velocity Y, Head Rotation Velocity Z.

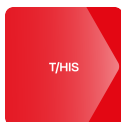
The unit system of the selected input curves is also displayed in this panel. The scaling factor, stiffness and damping constants value are internally converted to the unit system shown.

There is also an option to auto-regularise and auto-filter the input curves, before calculating the DMG. The filter class can be chosen from the available **Filter Curves using** options.

There is also an option to choose the calculation method used to solve the second order differential equation:

1. **Runge Kutta 4** uses a fourth-order approximation to calculate the solution at each time step, providing good accuracy for most problems.
2. **Runge Kutta Fehlberg 45** is an adaptive step size version of Runge Kutta 4. It automatically adjusts the step size based on the solution's behaviour, balancing accuracy and computational efficiency.
3. **Newmark Beta Method** is a method to solve structural dynamics problems, particularly for second-order equations of motion.

The screenshot shows a software interface for calculating the Damage Metric (DMG). It includes an 'Apply' button at the top left. Below it, there are two checked checkboxes: 'Filter Curves using' (set to 'C60') and 'Always regularise curves'. A text input field shows '0.10000E-03' with the label 'New X axis interval (dt)'. The 'Unit System' is set to 'm, kg, s'. There are three input fields for rotation velocities: 'X Rot. Velocity' (set to '#1'), 'Y Rot. Velocity' (set to '#2'), and 'Z Rot. Velocity' (set to '#3'), each with a dropdown arrow. The 'Calculation method' section has three radio buttons: 'Runge Kutta 4' (selected), 'Runge Kutta Fehlberg 45', and 'Newmark beta method'. At the bottom, the 'Output Curve' is set to '% (highest+1)' with a dropdown arrow.



	The DAMAGE operation outputs four curves: 1. DAMAGE Curve Resultant 2. DAMAGE Curve X component 3. DAMAGE Curve Y component 4. DAMAGE Curve Z component For more information on the calculation of DAMAGE Criterion, refer to Appendix E → DAMAGE Criterion (DMG).



9.13. SEISMIC Options

SEISMIC Options

The **SEISMIC** menu is shown in the figure (right). T/HIS can be used to handle response spectra information. In particular, displacement, velocity or acceleration spectra can be read and converted to another format.



DV Displacement spectrum is converted to a velocity spectrum

DA Displacement spectrum is converted to an acceleration spectrum

VD Velocity spectrum is converted to a displacement spectrum

VA Velocity spectrum is converted to an acceleration spectrum

AD Acceleration spectrum is converted to a displacement spectrum

AV Acceleration spectrum is converted to a velocity spectrum.

DS Produce a design spectrum from a response spectrum through the specification of a broadening factor..

RS Produce a response spectrum from input accelerations. This gives the response of a damped single degree of freedom system, given its damping factor and period, to the input acceleration time-history.

FFT Perform a fast Fourier transform. Convert an input signal from the time to the frequency domain.

There are three options for output;

- magnitude only
- magnitude and phase
- real and imaginary components of the time signal.

The frequency is calculated in Hz NOT radians/s if the time axis is in seconds.



T/HIS automatically adds points with zero y-value to the end of the curve to pad the curve out so that the number of points is increased to the next power of 2.

There are two options for scaling the curves output:

- Scaling Option 1 - Consistent with other signal processing software giving a magnitude independent of any padding. This is the default and recommended for most purposes. Performing an inverse FFT on the resulting curves will NOT get back exactly to the original curve if it did not have a number of points equal to a power of 2.
- Scaling Option 2 - With this option, applying an inverse FFT to the resulting curves will generate a curve the same as the original even if the original curve did not have a number of points equal to a power of 2. This is useful if users wish to create their own filters, where the filter characteristic is defined in the frequency domain.

An option to regularise the curve before performing the function is on by default. The spacing between points on the frequency axis of the resulting curve is determined by the time duration of the padded input curve; $dx = 1.0/(\text{time})$.

The highest frequency in the output curve is determined by the time interval of the input curve; $F_{(\max)} = (\#points)/dt$

IFFT

Performs an inverse fast Fourier transform. Converts two input signals from the frequency to the time domain. The two input signals can be the magnitude and phase or real and imaginary components of the time signal.

NOTE: If an FFT using scaling option 1 is performed on a curve that does not have a number of points equal to a power of 2 and then an IFFT is performed on the resulting curves you will NOT get back exactly to the original curve. This is because the FFT and IFFT both scale their output curves by the number of points in the curve, which in this case will be different. For the FFT the number of points used to scale the curves is the original number of points before padding. For the IFFT the number of points used is the original number of points plus the points needed to make it a power of 2.

If the number of points in the original curve is a power of 2 and no padding is required, the IFFT of the resulting curves will get back to the original curve.

NCP

By default beam element plastic rotations are always written out by Ansys LS-DYNA as being increasing +ve (i.e. cumulative). This option allows a non-cumulative plastic rotation to be calculated by taking two input curves: the



moment/time and the cumulative rotation/time histories for the beam in question.

BLC

Baseline correction.



9.14. MACRO Options

MACRO Options

The **MACRO** menu can be used to play FAST-TCF based macro files on existing T/HIS curves.

T/HIS macro files can be stored in any directory. Each user can define up to three macro areas using the oa_pref option:

```
this*macro_directory :  
C:\blah\macros
```

T/HIS will read any **.thm** files within the macro directories and generate the macro menu (shown right) using keywords within the macro scripts. T/HIS will search the macro directories in the following order.

```
this*macro_directory from SYSTEM  
oa_pref file  
this*macro_directory from users  
oa_pref file  
this*macro_directory from local  
oa_pref file
```

The scripting for a macro in T/HIS is based upon FAST-TCF using variables within the script (see [FAST-TCF section](#) for more details). There are some extra command options to make T/HIS aware of input curves and constants within the macro. These macro keywords are as follows:

```
macro acr <name>
```

acronym for the macro button in T/HIS

```
macro title <description>
```

a more descriptive title for the macro

```
macro curve <curve  
variable> <curve  
description>
```

FAST-TCF variable name for input curve followed by curve description



```
macro const <const  
variable> <curve  
description>
```

FAST-TCF variable name for input constant
followed by constant description

If one or more macro files are found with duplicate acronyms then only the last file read will be displayed so users can override SYSTEM macros with their own definitions if they want to.

When the user selects one of the Macro functions the macro file associated with the function is read and T/HIS creates a selection menu for the user to define the relevant curve numbers and constant values to input into the macro script. These inputs will **replace** the variables used within the macro.

For example: If the user selects **#1** for the macro curve variable `macro_input` , then any occurrence of `$macro_input` in the macro script will be replaced by **#1** .

An example macro script follows. This macro asks the user for a filter option (e.g. c60, c600, c1000) and also an input curve number. The macro then filters the input curve and divides by 9810.

```
# Macro to convert a file to g after filtering  
#  
macro acr to_g  
macro title filter and convert curve to g  
macro curve macro_input input curve  
macro const macro_filter filter to use  
#  
model none  
model 1  
oper $macro_filter $macro_input tag filtered  
oper div filtered 9810.0
```



9.15. FAST-TCF Options

FAST-TCF Options

The **FAST-TCF** menu can be used to capture and playback FAST-TCF scripts. FAST-TCF is a simple and intuitive scripting language for T/HIS. See [FAST-TCF](#) for more details and commands.



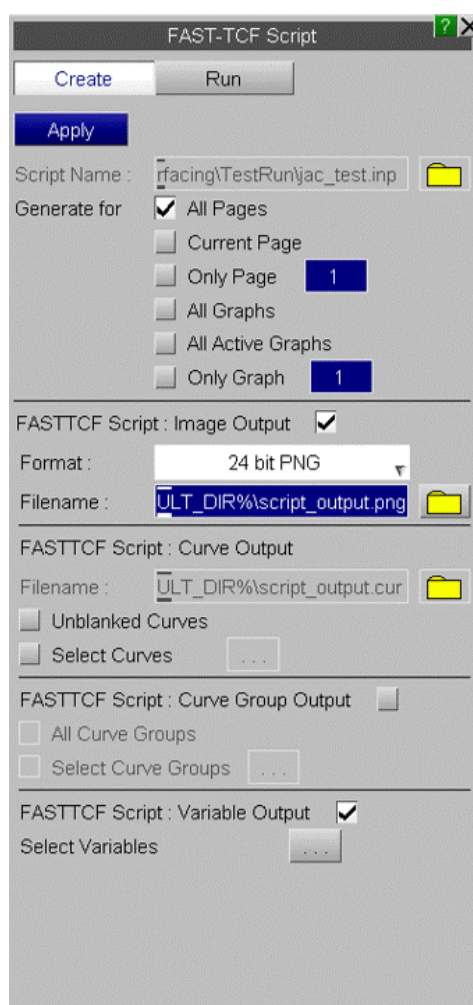
9.15.1. Create

Create

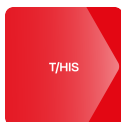
T/HIS 9.2 onwards has the ability to automatically generate FAST-TCF scripts using the CREATE menu.

The FAST-TCF script will contain all of the commands required to

1. Create and position multiple graphs on pages.
2. Extract the data from models or other files
3. Carry out any curve operations required to reproduce the chosen curves
4. Set any curve styles and labels
5. Set plot attributes such as titles, axis labels, colours, fonts and scaling
6. Generate the output image and/or curve file
7. Generate curve groups
8. Generate variable and tabular output requests



Before generating the FAST-TCF script the following options can be set:



Generate For

All Pages

The FAST-TCF script will contain all of the commands required to regenerate all of the pages that contain 1 or more graphs.

If the option to generate images is selected then the FAST-TCF script will contain the commands to generate multiple images with the page number appended to the filename specified.

Current Page

The FAST-TCF script will contain all of the commands required to regenerate the currently displayed page.

Only Page (n)

The FAST-TCF script will contain all of the commands required to regenerate the selected page.

All Graphs

The FAST-TCF script will contain all of the commands required to regenerate all the currently defined graphs. All of the graphs will be positioned on page 1 using the currently defined layout.

This option will only be available if T/HIS only contains a single page ([see Page Layouts](#)).

All Active Graphs

The FAST-TCF script will contain all of the commands required to regenerate all of the active graphs. All of the graphs will be positioned on page 1 using the currently defined layout.

This option will only be available if T/HIS only contains a single page ([see Page Layouts](#)).

Only Graph (n)

The FAST-TCF script will contain all of the commands required to regenerate the selected graph. The graph will be positioned on page 1.

FAST-TCF Script : Image Output

If this option is selected then the FAST-TCF script will contain the commands required to generate an image of each of the pages/graphs selected for output. The **Image Format** can be set to any of the supported image types ([see IMAGE Options](#)).

If the FAST-TCF script generates multiple pages then the **Filename** specified will be used for the first image. Subsequent images will use the specified filename with "_2", "_3" ... appended.

FAST-TCF Script : Curve Output



By default the FAST-TCF script will only contain the command needed to reproduce the curves that are unblanked in 1 or more of the graphs selected for output. This option can be used to select additional curves for which the commands required to generate them are also added to the FAST-TCF script. If a curve is selected that is also unblanked in one of the graphs the command to regenerate it are only added to the FAST-TCF script once.

In addition to selecting additional curves this option can also be used to add commands to the FAST-TCF script to write the additional curves out to a T/HIS .cur curve file.

FAST-TCF Script : Curve Group Output

This option can be used to select additional curves for output to the FAST-TCF script by curve group. If a curve is selected that is also unblanked in one of the graphs the command to regenerate it are only added to the FAST-TCF script once. This option will also add the commands to regenerate the selected curve groups to the FAST-TCF script.

FAST-TCF Script : Variable Output

This option can be used to define variable and tabular output requests for output to the FAST-TCF script via the menu launched by pressing the button. Variable and tabular output requests defined in a FAST-TCF script that is read in will appear in the menu.

Variable Output or **Tabular Output** are selected at the top of the menu. Each output request is defined on a row of the table. The curve and variable type are selected using the drop down menu. A default variable name is generated and can be manually edited or a name can be selected from variable names that are present in . Additional value fields are populated with default values if required and these can be edited. The output description is also populated with default text that can be edited. The output type is selected using the drop down menu. Curve Lock prevents the curve that the variable refers to from being deleted. If a curve is not locked and is deleted, then any variables associated with that curve will also be deleted.

Pressing the heading buttons will sort the output request definitions.



9.15.2. Run

Run

This menu allows the user to run a FAST-TCF file from within T/HIS. After the user has selected the FAST-TCF file T/HIS scans the file for data requests and model requests to see what input the FAST-TCF file requires. Note that there must be a model read into T/HIS before a FAST-TCF file that contains data extraction can be run.

The next FAST-TCF command line is displayed in red in the upper text area, at this point the user can select to **Play** the FAST-TCF file or **Step** through it line by line. After every line of FAST-TCF the resulting command in T/HIS is shown in the lower text area. Select **End** during stepping through the lines to go to the end of the file. **Reread** will re read the file and start back at the beginning.

The **Model Mapping** option allows the user to define which model in T/HIS should be used for the equivalent model number in the FAST-TCF script. The model number **zero** is equivalent to the default model in FAST-TCF if no models are defined. The default model mapping will use the same model numbers as in the FAST-TCF script.

Auto confirm text boxes will force T/HIS to confirm any text boxes that should appear in the interactive playback of a FAST-TCF script (such as HIC results and so on).

The FAST-TCF script will ignore any existing T/HIS curves and their tags. This guarantees that the user can run a single FAST-TCF file many times and it will only use the new curves created by FAST-TCF.





9.16. TITLE/AXES/LEGEND Options

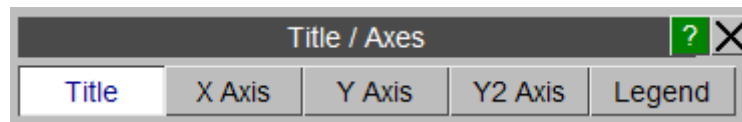
TITLE/AXES/LEGEND Options

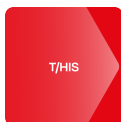
The **TITLE/AXES** menu is shown in the figure (below).

This menu controls the contents of the title and axes labels and the axis scaling.

The individual axis, title and legend menus can also be accessed by clicking over the appropriately highlighted area on the graph.

Changes to the TITLE/AXES/LEGEND options are only applied to active graphs ([see Active Graphs](#)).





9.16.1. TITLE

TITLE

The plot title may be set automatically or manually. When the **Automatic** option is selected the text box will display `<automatic>` and the plot title will be set to the title of the first curve that is currently being plotted. The plot title may be turned on and off by toggling the **Display Title** button.

Save Preferences to File

Launches a popup to quickly save preferences to the oa_pref file. See [Save Preferences Popup](#).



9.16.2. X-AXIS

X-AXIS

AXIS LABELS

The x-axis label may be set automatically or a user defined label can be specified.. When the **Automatic** option is selected the text box will display `<automatic>` and the axis label will be set to the x axis label of the first curve that is currently being plotted. The axis label may be turned on and off by toggling the **Display Label** button.

In addition to displaying the axis labels an optional unit label can also be appended to the axis label. If the option to add a unit label is set to Automatic then the unit label displayed will depend on the current curves that are visible and the current unit system being used to display results (see [UNITS](#) for more information on Unit Systems). If the curves being displayed do not have the same axis unit then no unit label will be displayed. The unit label may be turned on and off by toggling the **Add Units** button.

AXIS LIMITS

The minimum and maximum x axis values can be controlled using a combination of the text box and the popup menu opposite.

Autoscale

The axis values will be set to the maximum and minimum values of all the curves that are currently being plotted.

Locked

The axis limit is set to the user defined value specified in the text box. If the curves are translated or scaled dynamically the limit will be reset.

Title / Axes

Tab: **X Axis** | Y Axis | Y2 Axis | Legend

Label

- ☒ Automatic ☐ User Defined
- ☒ Display Label
- ☒ Add Units ☐ User Defined
- Font: Default
- Size: automatic
- Colour: Foreground

Minimum ☒ Autoscale ☐ Locked

Maximum ☒ Autoscale ☐ Locked

Axis Type ☒ Linear ☐ Logarithmic

Grid Spacing ☒ Automatic ☐ User Defined

Interval: 0.0000E+00

Offset: 0.0000E+00

Units ☒ Add Exponent to Label

Format: Automatic

Decimal Places: 3

Font: Default

Size: automatic

Colour: Foreground

Save Preferences to file

Note : The global command **AUTOSCALE** (see [Autoscale](#)) will reset the minimum and maximum values to **AUTO** .

AXIS TYPE

The x-axis can be switched between a **Linear** or **Logarithmic** scale. If a logarithmic scale is selected, a warning will be generated if an attempt is made to plot points that have -ve or zero X values and the points will be skipped.

GRID SPACING

By default T/HIS will automatically set the grid line intervals for the x-axis when the grid is tuned on (see [GRID](#)). If the GRID option is changed from **Automatic** to **Manual** a grid **Interval** and **Offset** may be specified. If the **Interval** is set to 0.1 and the **Offset** to 0.02 then grid lines will be produced at 0.02, 0.12, 0.22



UNITS

Axis values can be displayed using 3 different formats:

The 'Units' dialog box contains the following settings:

- ☒ Add Exponent to Label
- Format: Automatic
- Decimal Places: 3
- Font: Default
- Size: Automatic
- Colour: Foreground

Automatic

Values are displayed using exponential format, all values are displayed as values of E0, E3, E6 etc.

e.g 11.234E+03

Scientific

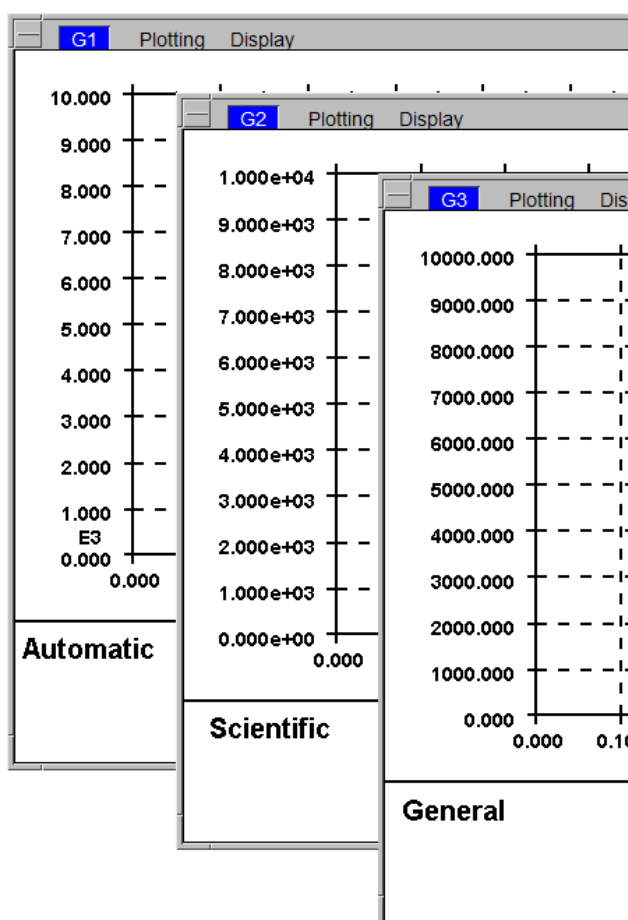
Values are displayed using exponential format.

e.g 1.123E+04

General

Values are displayed as real numbers.

e.g 11234.000



In addition to specifying the format, the number of decimal places can also be set between 0 and 9 and the colour and font used to display the values can be set.

Save Preferences to File

Launches a popup to quickly save preferences to the oa_pref file. See [Save Preferences Popup](#).



9.16.3. Y-AXIS

Y-AXIS

The same options for LABELS, LIMITS, SCALE, GRID LINES and UNITS apply to the Y-AXIS as those available for the X_AXIS.



9.16.4. Second Y-AXIS

Second Y-AXIS

Curves can be plotted in T/HIS using 2 different y-axis scales. When **Add Second Y Axis** is selected using the tickbox in the Y2 Axis menu the Curve Manager changes

from

ID		Label
1		Disp x - Node 1343
2		Disp x - Node 1344
3		Disp x - Node 1345
4		
5		

to

ID	Y2		Label
1	☐		Disp x - Node 1343
2	☐		Disp x - Node 1344
3	☐		Disp x - Node 1345
4	☐		
5	☐		

with an additional tick box for each curve that controls which curves are plotted against the second (right hand) y-axis.

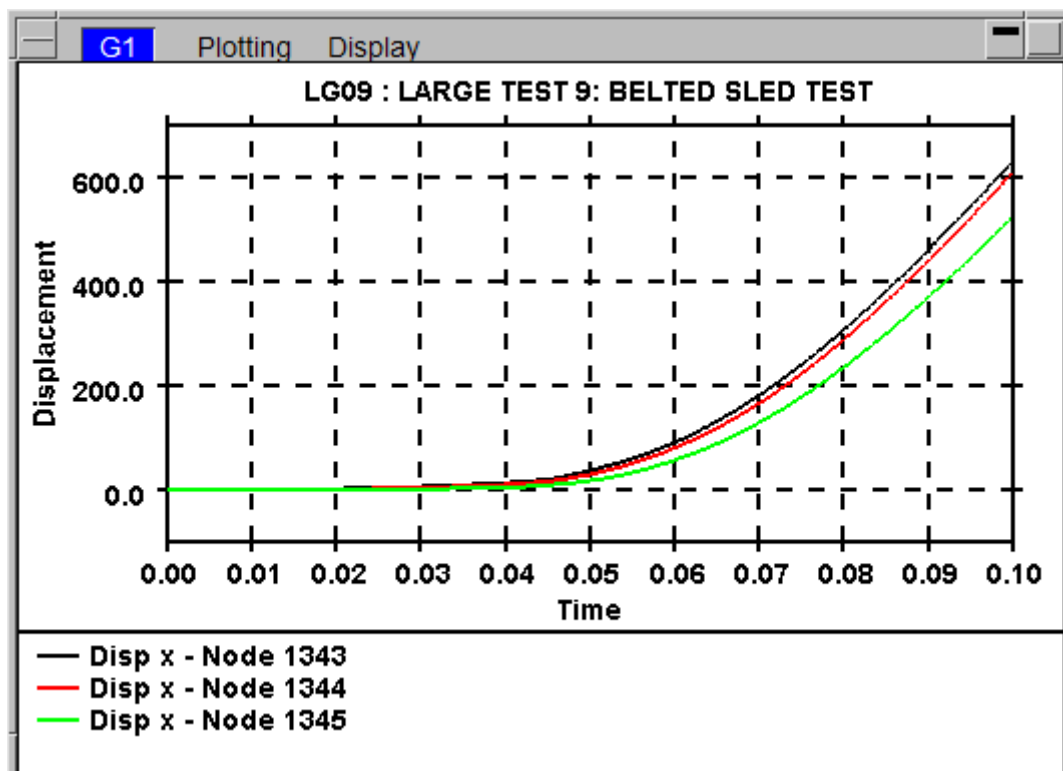
ID	Y2		Label
1	☐		Disp x - Node 1343
2	☐		Disp x - Node 1344
3	☒		Disp x - Node 1345
4	☐		
5	☐		

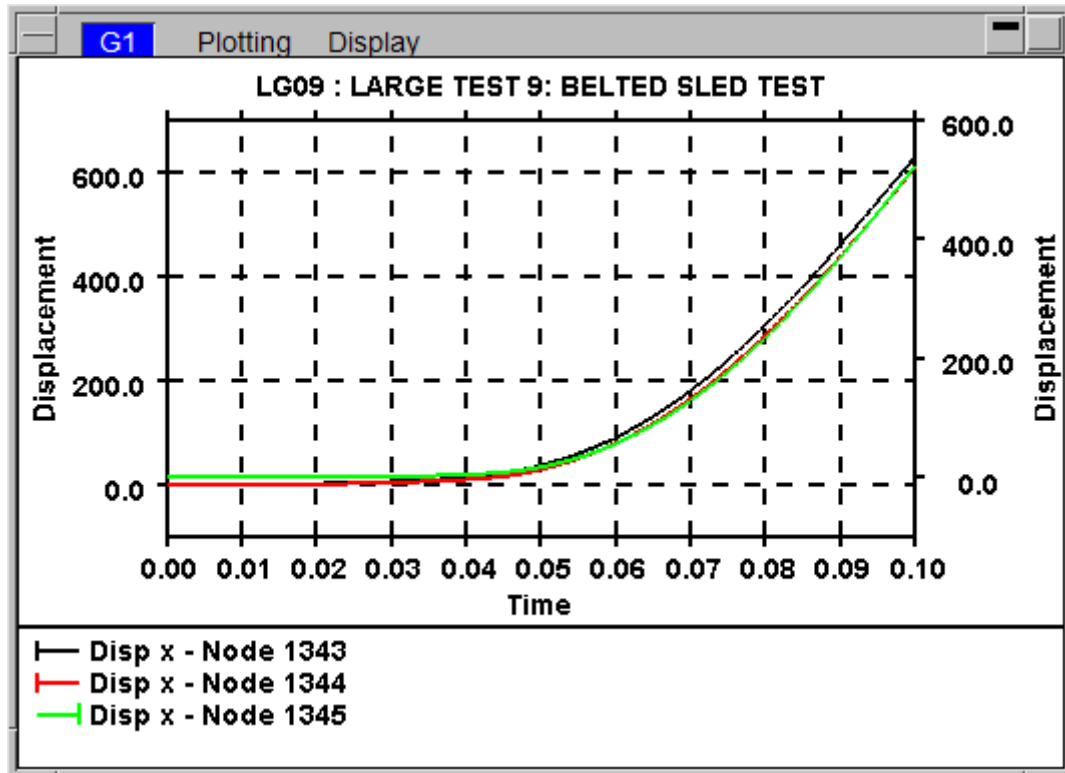


If only one y-axis scale is used it is not possible to meaningfully plot curves with different units or very different values. A second scale allows more information to be displayed at once, as demonstrated below.

To identify which axis a curve is being plotted against the line labels on the plot are automatically modified.

Second Y axis disabled	— Disp x - Node 1343
Left hand Y axis	└ Disp x - Node 1343
Right hand y axis	└ Disp x - Node 1343





All of the options that are available to control the label, scale and type of the y-axis are also available for the second y-axis except for the Grid option.

NOTE : When the DOUBLE AXIS option is used with GRID lines a grid is only plotted for the left hand y-axis.



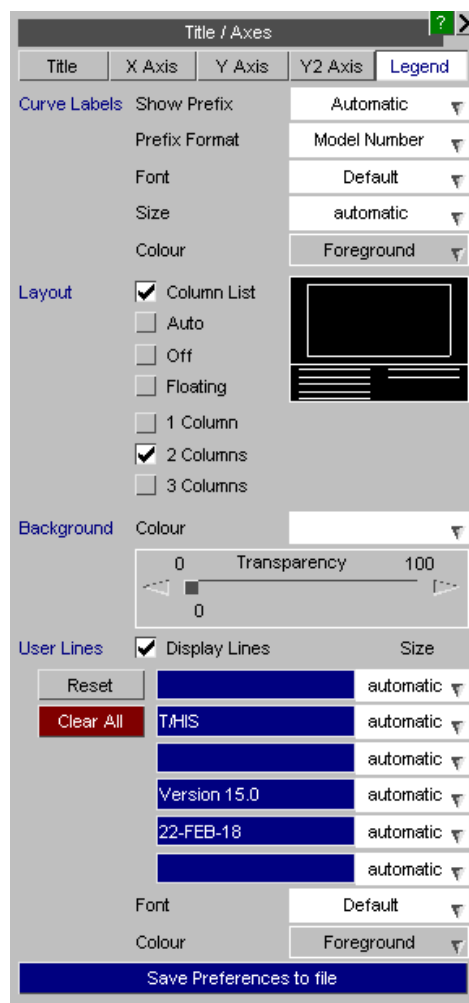
9.16.5. Legend

Legend

Curve Labels

Show Prefix

This option can be used to automatically add a prefix to each of the curve legends when a curve is plotted.



This option has 3 settings:

Automatic

If there is more than 1 model loaded in T/HIS then a prefix will automatically be added to any curves that have been read in from a model. Curves read in from other files will not be prefixed.



On

A prefix will automatically be added to any curves that have been read in from a model regardless of the number of models currently loaded in T/HIS. Curves read in from other files will not be prefixed.

Off

No prefixes will be added

Prefix Format

This option can be used to set the format used for the curve prefix. This option has 4 settings

Model Number	The model number will be used as the prefix. e.g (M1)
Directory	The directory name the model was read from will be used at the prefix. e.g. (/run1)
THF File	The root name of the THF file will be used as the prefix. e.g (sled_test)
User Defined	A user defined prefix will be used. The prefix can be defined on a model by model case using the Model Menu .

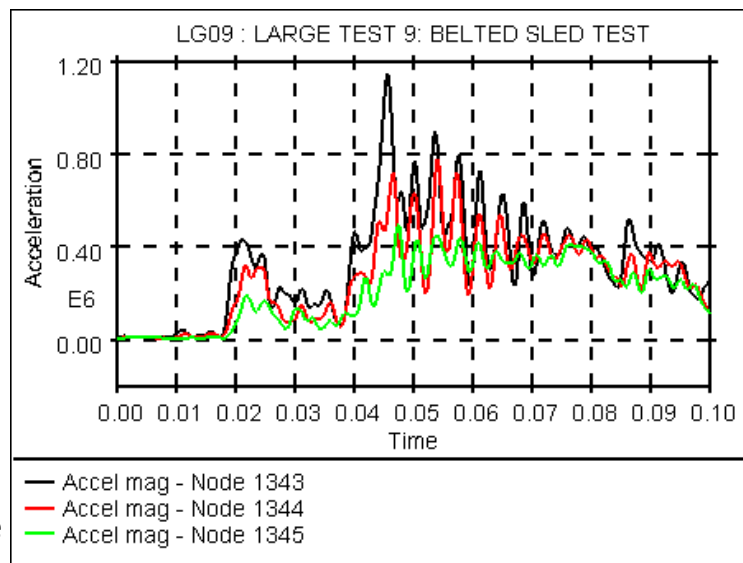
The font, size and colour of the text used to display the legends can also be specified.

Layout

T/HIS has 4 different plotting formats as described below. The number of columns used to display the curve legends can also be set between 1 & 3. When multiple columns are used curve labels will automatically be truncated to fit the available space.

Column List (default)

This format fixes the size of the plotting area. The maximum



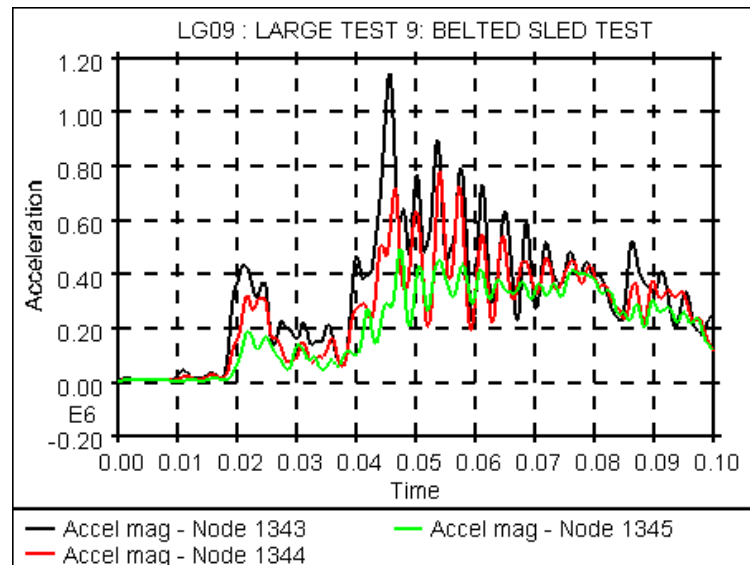


number of curve legends that can be displayed will depend on the font family and size selected by the user and the number of columns.

If any [USER LINES](#) have been defined then the area used to display the legend will be reduced so that the text does not cover the user lines.

Automatic

This format automatically adjusts the plot size to maximise the plotting area while still showing a maximum of 18 line labels. Any text entered using the [USER LINES](#) option will be ignored in this plotting mode.



Off

This format turns **OFF** the display of the graph legend and maximises the plotting area by not showing any line labels. Any text entered using the [USER LINES](#) option will be ignored in this plotting mode.

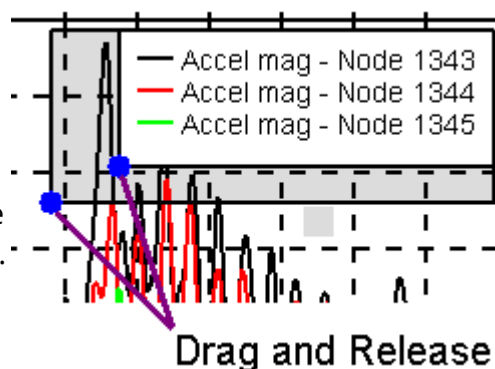
Floating

This format maximises the plotting area and positions the legend on top of the graph area.



The size of the legend can be modified by clicking with the left mouse button on the legend border/corner and dragging.

The legend can also be moved by clicking with the left mouse button inside the legend and dragging.



BACKGROUND

This option can be used to alter the default background colour of the floating legend. By default the colour will be the same as the background colour of the graph. As well as setting a different background colour for the floating legend a %age transparency can also be specified if the legend obscures any curves.

USER LINES

This option can be used to alter the default text that appears on the bottom right-hand corner of each plot. Text can be typed into any of the panels or they can be left blank. The **Size** of the text may be altered. If no text is specified the area used by the curve legends will be increased.

The default values are read from the preferences file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details).

Save Preferences to File

Launches a popup to quickly save preferences to the oa_pref file. See [Preferences](#).



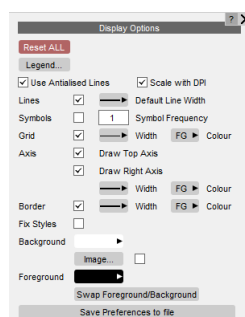
9.17. DISPLAY Options

DISPLAY

The **DISPLAY** menu is shown in the below figure. This menu controls the overall appearance of plots.

As well as controlling basic things like the background colour and whether a grid is drawn, this menu also controls a number of default settings that are applied to all curves. These default settings may be overwritten for individual curves using the [Curve Manager](#).

Changes to the Display options are only applied to [Active Graphs](#). (With the exception that line anti-aliasing and scaling with DPI are both programme-wide.)





9.17.1. LEGEND...

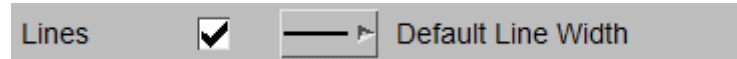
LEGEND...

This option will map the Legend settings panel ([see Legend](#)).



9.17.2. LINES

LINES



This is an **ON / OFF** switch for the lines between points to be drawn for all curves. The default is **ON** . The **Default Line Width** is used for all curves that have not had their widths explicitly set in the **Line Style** menu.

The default line width can be specified in the preferences file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details).



9.17.3. SYMBOLS

SYMBOLS



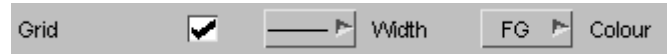
This is an **ON / OFF** switch which controls whether symbols are plotted on top of the curves to help identify them. This option affects all the curves that are currently being used. If you wish to turn the symbols on for only some of the curves then this switch should be set to **ON** and the **Line Style** menu should be used to turn the symbols off on the curves for which you do not want symbols drawn on. The default is **OFF**.

The **Symbols Frequency** is used for all curves that have not had a frequency explicitly set in the **Line Style** menu. This value controls how often a symbol is drawn on a curve.



9.17.4. GRID

GRID



This is an **ON / OFF** switch which determines whether or not grid lines are shown on the plot. The default is **OFF**. The **Grid Width** can be used to change the width of the grid and axis lines. The **COLOUR** button can be used to change the colour of the grid lines (see [COLOUR](#) for details on the available colours).

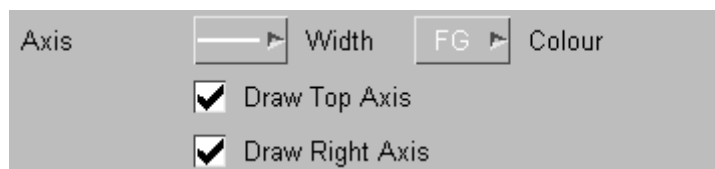
```
/de grid on      turns grid lines on
/de grid off     turns grid lines off
/de grid th 2    sets the grid thickness to 2 pixels
```

The default grid width and visibility can be specified in the preferences file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details).



9.17.5. AXIS

AXIS



The **Axis Width** can be used to change the width of the axis lines. The **COLOUR** button can be used to change the colour of the axis lines (see Section [COLOUR](#) for details on the available colours).

The default axis width can be specified in the preferences file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details).

Draw Top Axis This option can be used to turn on and off the display of the graph's top axis

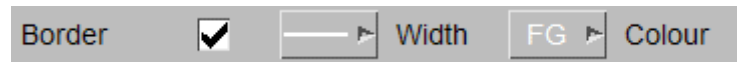
Draw Right Axis This option can be used to turn on and off the display of the graph's right hand axis

The default settings for these 2 options can also be specified in the preferences file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details).



9.17.6. BORDER

BORDER

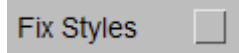


This is an **ON / OFF** switch which determines whether or not a border is drawn round the plot. The default is **ON** . The **Border Width** can be used to change the width of the border. The **COLOUR** button can be used to change the colour of the border (see Section [COLOUR](#) for details on the available colours).

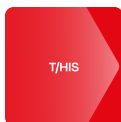


9.17.7. FIX LINE STYLES

FIX LINE STYLES



This is an **ON** / **OFF** switch which resets the curve styles when they are plotted on the screen so that the curves cycle through the default T/HIS colours and styles as they are plotted. This will result in the first curve being plotted always being white, the second red, the third green .etc regardless of their curve numbers. The default is **OFF** .



9.17.8. Background

Background

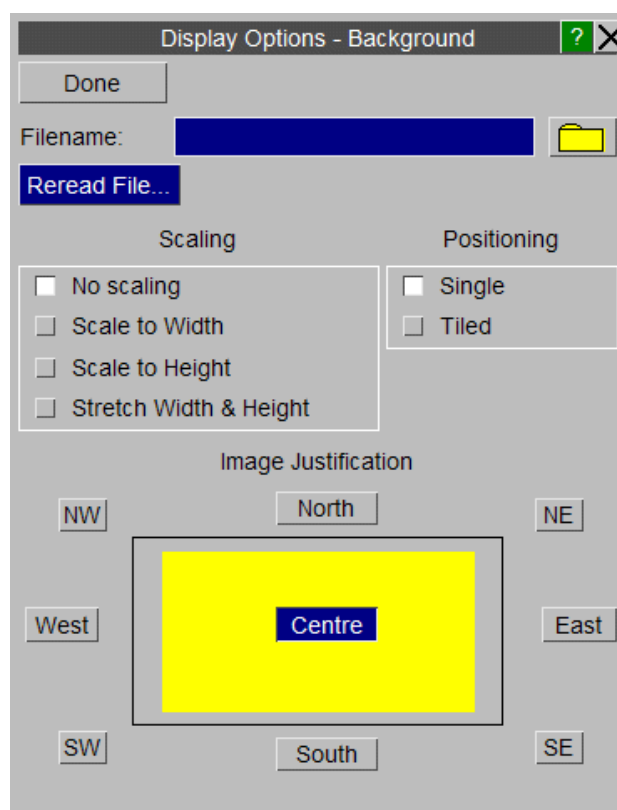


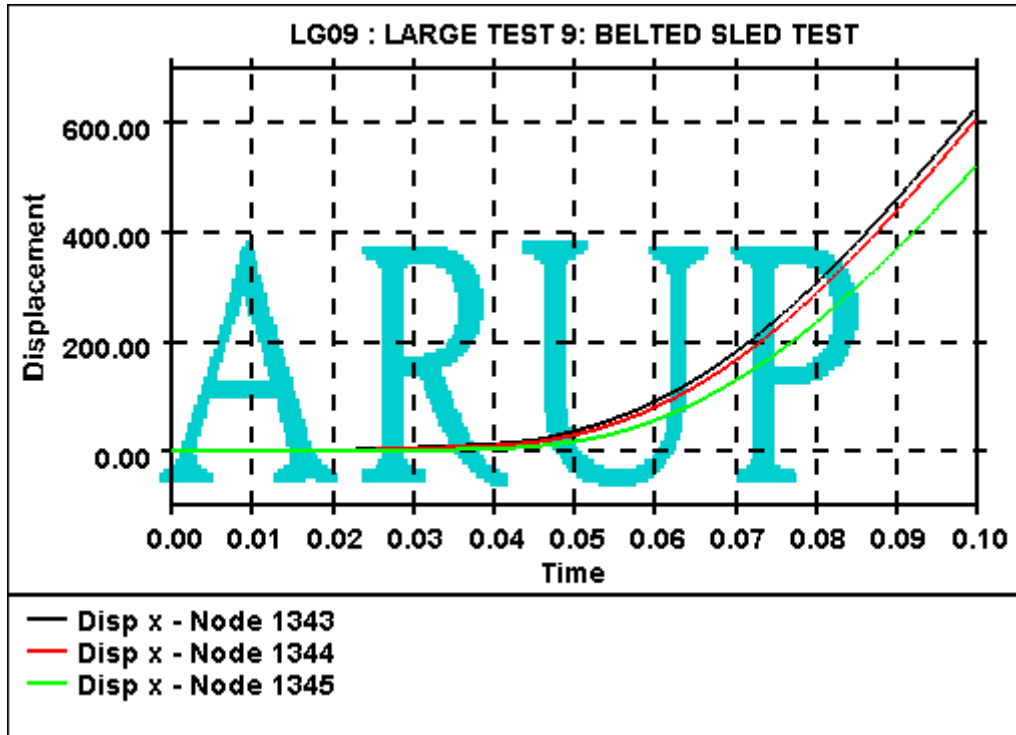
This option can be used to modify the background colour (see Section [COLOUR](#) for details on the available colours) or to set a background image. By default the background colour is set to BLACK.

Image

The IMAGE option can be used to display a background image behind a graph instead of a solid background colour.

If the image dimensions do not match the graph window dimensions then the image can be scaled to fit or it can be tiled.







9.17.9. Foreground

Foreground



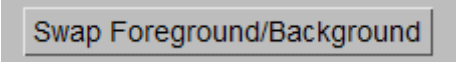
This option can be used to modify the foreground colour (see Section [COLOUR](#) for details on the available colours). By default the background colour is set to BLACK and the foreground colour is set to WHITE.

Initially the grid, axes, border and labels are all set to the foreground colour.



9.17.10. Swap Foreground/Background

Swap Foreground/Background



Swap Foreground/Background

This option can be used to swap the currently defined foreground and background colours.



9.17.11. Display Max/Min

Display Max/Min

In versions of T/HIS prior to 9.4 the display of minimum and maximum curve values was controlled in the **DISPLAY** menu . In versions since 9.4 these options have been moved to the **PROPERTIES** menu (see section [PROPERTIES](#)).



9.17.12. Save Preference to File

Save Preference to file

Launches a popup to quickly save preferences to the oa_pref file. See [Save Preferences Popup](#).



9.18. SETTINGS

9.18.1. Data Sources

Data Sources

This menu allows the user to specify their preferred order of data sources for the different data types. Upon reading in models T/HIS will read all files regardless of these preferences. When T/HIS extracts data for plotting the source is dependent on that currently set in this menu. If you select a data component or entity that is not available in the first data source T/HIS will automatically try the other data sources in order until the combination is found.

The [Model Manager](#) can be used to see what source has been used for each item for models already read into T/HIS.

Settings

Data

Files

General

Layout

Search

	1st	2nd	3rd
Global	LSDA	ASCII	THF
Parts	LSDA	ASCII	THF
Nodes	THF	LSDA	ASCII
Solids	THF	LSDA	
Beams	THF	LSDA	
Shells	THF	LSDA	
Tk Shells	THF	LSDA	
Stonewalls	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Springs	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Seatbelts	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Retractors	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Sliprings	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Contacts	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Reactions	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Airbags	LSDA	ASCII	XTF
Joints	LSDA	ASCII	
X Sections	LSDA	ASCII	
Subsystems	LSDA	ASCII	
Geo Contacts	LSDA	ASCII	
Nodal RBs	LSDA	ASCII	
Spotwelds	LSDA	ASCII	
SPCs	LSDA	ASCII	
BOUNDARYs	LSDA	ASCII	
FSIs	LSDA	ASCII	
SPHs	LSDA	ASCII	
Tracers	LSDA	ASCII	
Pulleys	LSDA	ASCII	
ICFD	LSDA	ASCII	
Pblasts	LSDA	ASCII	
Prtubes	LSDA	ASCII	
Bearings	ASCII	None	
CURVOUT	LSDA	ASCII	
DEMRCFs	LSDA	ASCII	

Reset



9.18.2. Files

Files

File Names

By default the file filters in T/HIS are set to look for the file naming convention set for the Ansys LS-DYNA output files by the SHELL. This option can be used to swap the file filters back to the default Ansys LST naming convention. This option can be set in the [Preference File](#).

File type	ARUP	Ansys LST
Time history	"job".thf	d3thdt
Extra Time history	"job".xtf	xtfile

File Output

The [HIC](#), [3ms Clip](#), [ASL](#), [THIV](#), [TTI](#) Automotive injury criteria functions, [ERR](#) operator function and [COR1](#) and [COR2](#) correlation functions can all send their output to a file as well as to the screen. These options can be used to select which functions send output to a file and to specify a Root Filename that is used for all of the output files. The Root Filename can be set in the [Preference File](#).



Settings

?

X

Data

Files

General

Layout

File Names

☒ ARUP (.thf, ...)

☐ LSTC (d3thdt, ...)

File Output

default

Root Filename for Output

☐ Write HIC to file

E:\Software Development\V

☐ Write 3ms Clip to fil

E:\Software Development\V

☐ Write ASI to file

E:\Software Development\V

☐ Write THIV to file

E:\Software Development\V

☐ Write TTI to file

E:\Software Development\V

☐ Write ERR to file

E:\Software Development\V

THF/d3thdt File

☐ Swap Title

5

"File Skip" number

Auto

File family size (MB)

XTF/xtfile File

☐ Swap Title

5

"File Skip" number

Auto

File family size (MB)



9.18.3. General

General

Curve Operations

All of the [AUTOMOTIVE](#) filters are designed to filter curves using seconds as the time unit. This option can be used to automatically convert the x-axis values of any curves from milliseconds to seconds before applying one of the filters. If a curve is automatically converted then the output curve is also automatically converted back into milliseconds. This option can be set in the [Preference File](#).

All of the [AUTOMOTIVE](#) filters require curves with constant time intervals. This option can be used to specify a default time interval that will be used to automatically regularise a curve before it is filtered.

By default the [HIC](#) and [3ms Clip](#) functions calculate and report a value to the screen. These options can be used to make T/HIS display the peak values and the time windows they occur over. These options can be set in the [Preference File](#).

At present 2 different methods are used to calculate the VC injury criteria for the ECER95 and IIHS regulations (see [Viscous Criteria](#) for more details). This option can be used to set the default value. This option can be set in the [Preference File](#).

Settings

Data Files **General** Layout

Curve Operations

☐ Convert from ms->s when filtering

ms->s time conversion Prompt

0.100E-03 X axis interval for auto regularise

☒ Always regularise curves before filtering

☐ Show HIC value ☐ Show THIV value

☐ Show 3ms Clip value ☐ Show PHD value

☐ Insert (0,0) point when rea

0.100E+19 Value to truncate curves at when reading data

VC calculation method ☒ ECER95 ☐ IIHS

Curve palette Default

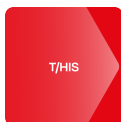


By default T/HIS uses 6 colours (White, Red, Green, Blue, Cyan and Magenta) for any curves that have not had a colour explicitly defined for them. Curves 1,7,13... will be White, 2,8,14... will be Red.

This option can be used to change the default number of colours T/HIS uses.

Default	Use the default 6 colours
Extended	Use the first 13 colours
No Grey	Use all 30 predefined colours except the 3 grey ones
Full	Use all 30 predefined colours plus any user defined ones.

The default value for the curve palette can also be specified in the preferences file (see [Appendix H](#) for more details).



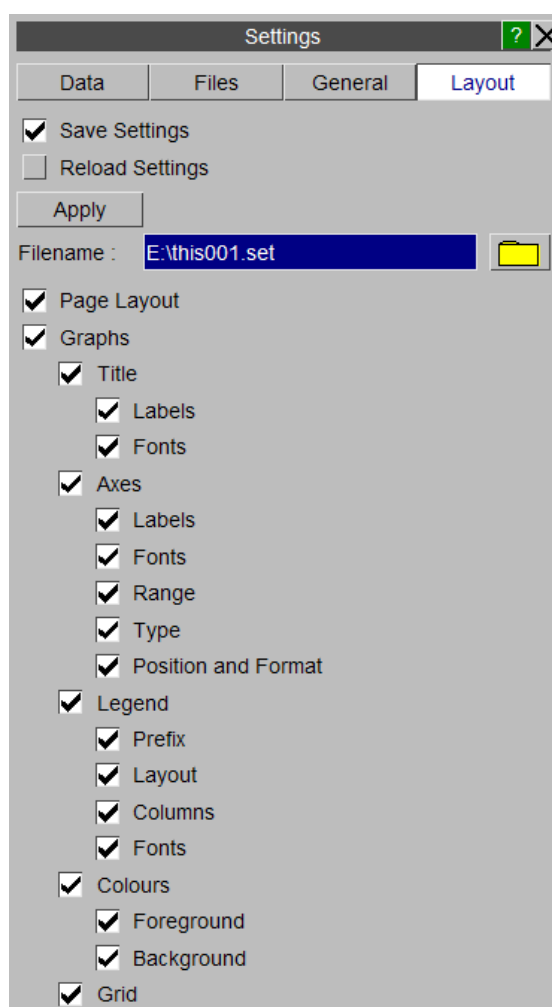
9.18.4. Layout

Layout

Save Settings

This option can be used to save a T/HIS settings file which can be reloaded later. The settings file uses the same syntax as a FAST-TCF script except it only contains **layout** and **setup** commands.

The settings file can contain all of the commands required to reproduce the current page and graph layout or a subset of the commands.



Reload Settings

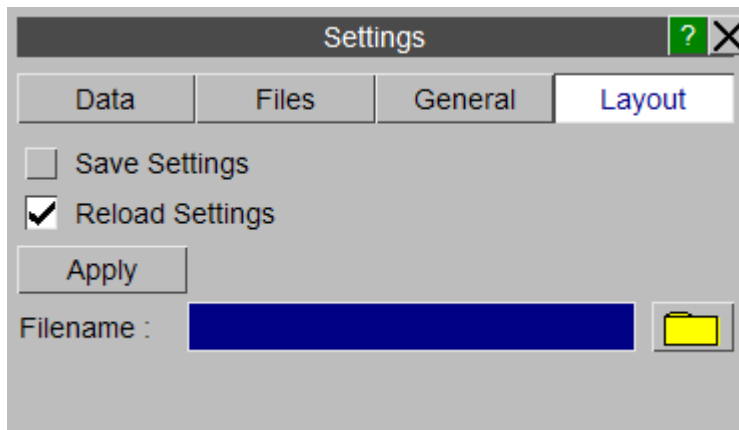
This option can be used to reload a previously saved settings file. In addition to reloading a file interactively a settings file can also be specified on the [command line](#)

`-set=<filename>`

or via the [Preference File](#)



this*settings_file: <filename>





9.19. MEASURE

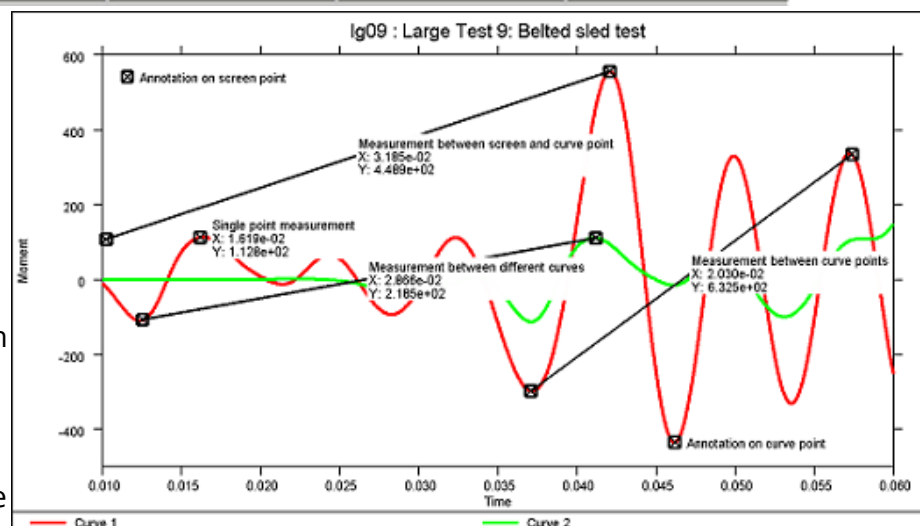
MEASURE

This menu can be used to make measurements between curve points and/or screen points. It can also be used to annotate graphs.

—	Read	Write	Curves	Models
Edit	Style	Properties	Images	
Operate	Maths	Automotive	Seismic	
Macros	FAST-TCF	Title/Axes	Display	
Settings	Measure	Groups	Graphs	
Command Fil	Units	JavaScript	Datum	

Each graph can contain multiple measurements and annotations.

Measurements can be made between curve and/or screen points and can be made between different curves. Single points can be measured too.

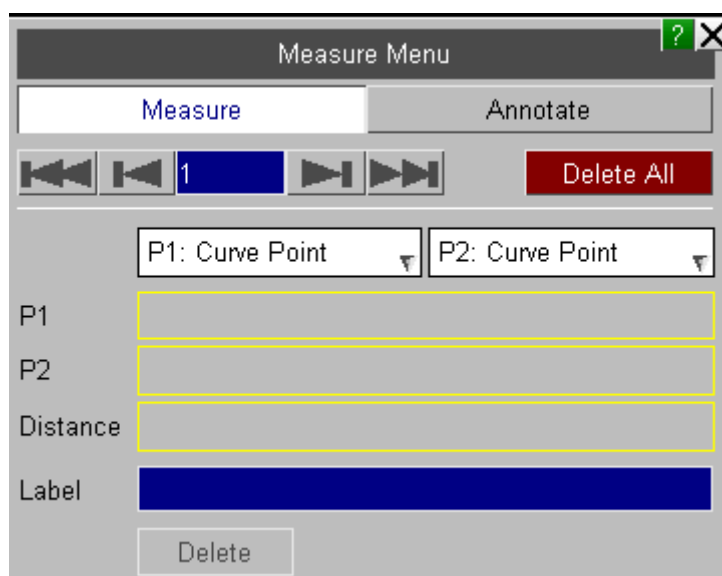




9.19.1. Measure Menu

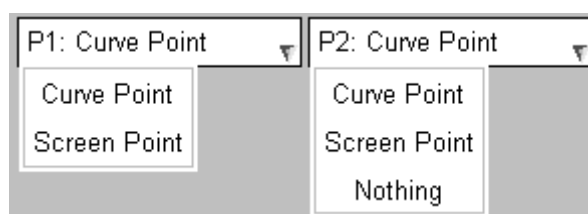
Measure Menu

Use this option to pick points on the graph to measure between.



Point Types

Use the popups to select the point type to measure to/from.



Label

If you specify a label this will be displayed on the measurement.



Delete

This will delete the current measurement.

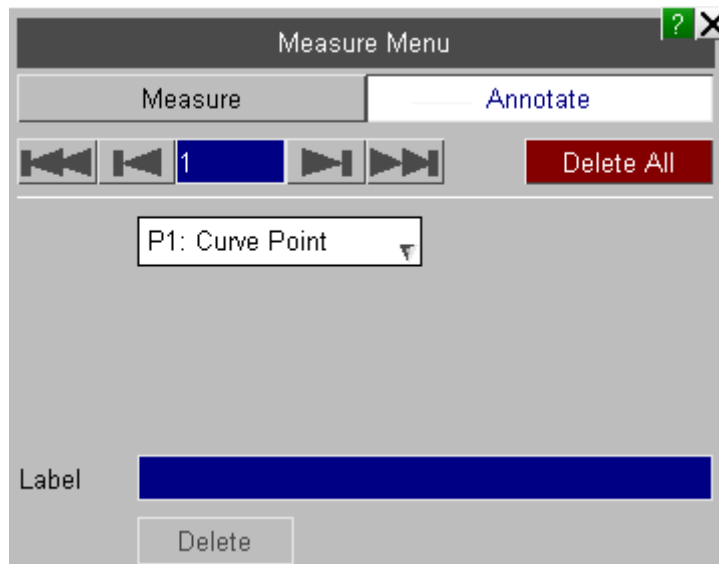




9.19.2. Annotate

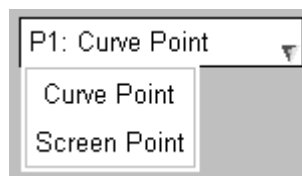
Annotate

Use this option to make annotations on the graph.



Point Type

Use the popup to select the point type to annotate on.



Label

This is the annotation that will be displayed on the graph.



Delete

This will delete the current annotation.

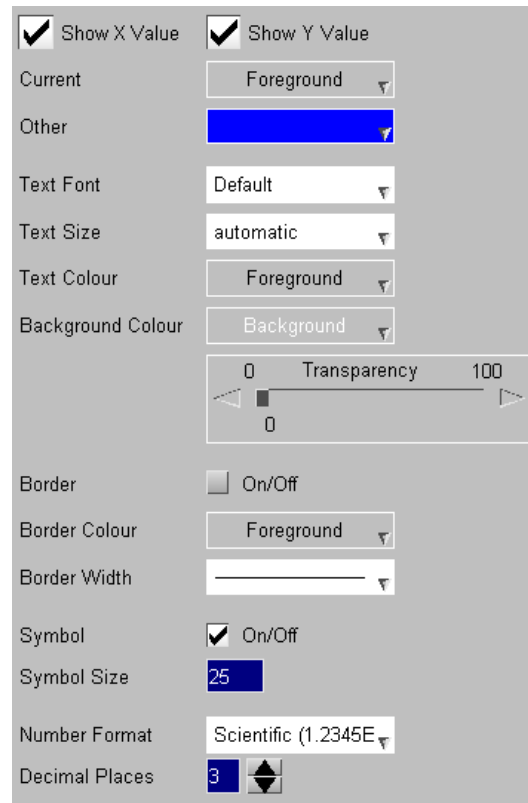




9.19.3. Format

Format

These options can be used to control the display of the measurements and annotations.

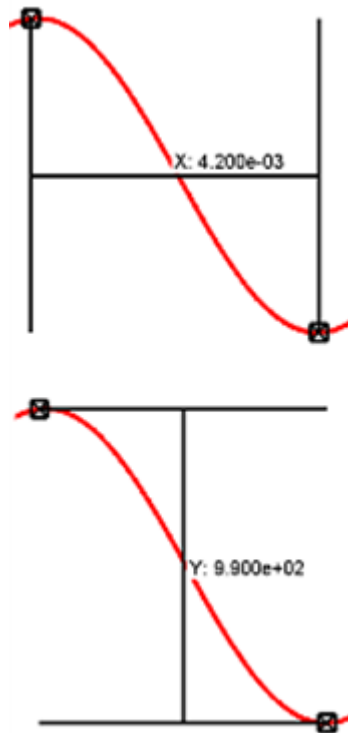


The image shows a 'Format' settings dialog box with various options for controlling the display of measurements and annotations. The options are organized into two columns. The left column contains checkboxes for 'Show X Value' and 'Show Y Value', both of which are checked. Below these are dropdown menus for 'Current' (set to 'Foreground'), 'Other' (set to a blue color), 'Text Font' (set to 'Default'), 'Text Size' (set to 'automatic'), 'Text Colour' (set to 'Foreground'), and 'Background Colour' (set to 'Background'). A 'Transparency' slider is also present, ranging from 0 to 100, with a small square icon below it. The right column contains a 'Border' section with an 'On/Off' checkbox (unchecked), a 'Border Colour' dropdown (set to 'Foreground'), and a 'Border Width' dropdown (set to a thin line). Below this is a 'Symbol' section with an 'On/Off' checkbox (checked), a 'Symbol Size' dropdown (set to '25'), and a 'Number Format' dropdown (set to 'Scientific (1.2345E)'). At the bottom is a 'Decimal Places' section with a dropdown (set to '3') and a small square icon.

Values

Measurements can be displayed with both the X and Y values, just the X value, just the Y value or neither.

If only one of the values is shown the line between the two points will be drawn like so:



Text

The font, font size and colour of the values can be selected.

Background

To make it easier to read the values a background can also be specified. In addition to specifying the background colour a transparency value can be used to control the visibility of curves under the text.

Border and Border Colour

Specify a border and border colour to be added around the value.

Symbols

The symbols drawn on the measurement points can be turned on/off. The size of the symbol can also be specified.

Number Format

Specify the format of the values displayed on the graph.



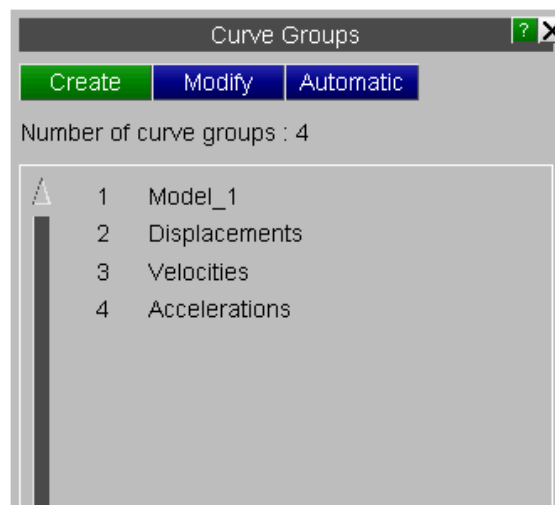
9.20. Curve Groups

Curve Groups

This panel can be used to create and modify curve groups. T/HIS can contain an unlimited number of curve groups each of which can contain any curve.

Curve groups can be used as input to most T/HIS functions that require one or more input curves (see [Selecting Curves](#) for more details)

Each curve group should be given a unique name.



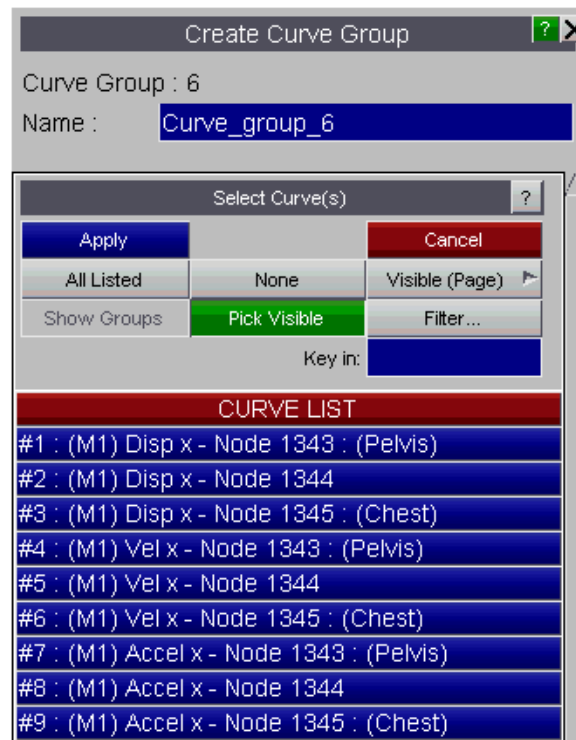


9.20.1. Create

Create

This option can be used to create a new curve group.

By default the group will be called "Curve_group_#" where "#" is the curve group number if an alternate name is not specified.



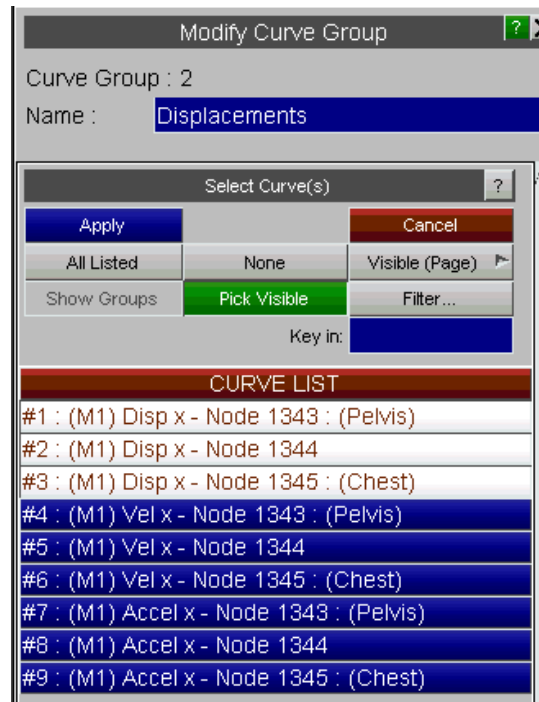


9.20.2. Modify

Modify

This option can be used to modify the contents of an existing curve group or its name.

When a curve group is selected any curves that are already defined in the group are highlighted in the curve list.



The contents of [Automatic](#) curves groups can not be modified as T/HIS automatically adds and removes curves from automatic groups.

Curves that belong to an automatic curve group are highlighted in yellow.

The name of an automatic curve group can be changed.

Modify Curve Group

?

X

Curve Group : 5

Name :

Disp x

Select Curve(s)

?

Apply

None

Cancel

All Listed

Visible (Page)

Show Groups

Pick Visible

Filter...

Key in:

CURVE LIST

#1 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1343 : (Pelvis)

#2 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1344

#3 : (M1) Disp x - Node 1345 : (Chest)

#4 : (M1) Vel x - Node 1343 : (Pelvis)

#5 : (M1) Vel x - Node 1344

#6 : (M1) Vel x - Node 1345 : (Chest)

#7 : (M1) Accel x - Node 1343 : (Pelvis)

#8 : (M1) Accel x - Node 1344

#9 : (M1) Accel x - Node 1345 : (Chest)

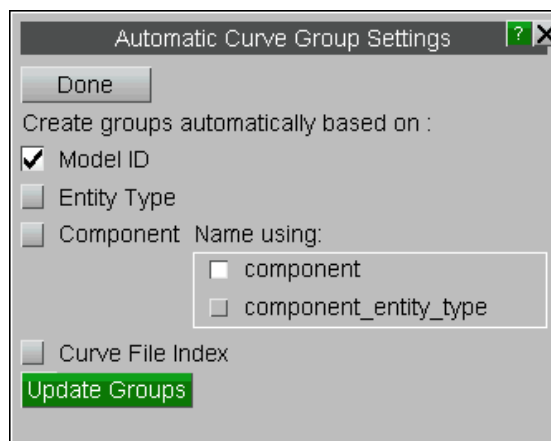


9.20.3. Automatic

Automatic

By default T/HIS will automatically create a curve group for each model that is read in and will add any curves read in from that model into the curve group.

This option can be used to create other "automatic" curve groups.



Model ID	The default - one group is created for each model.
Entity Type	This option will create one group for each Entity type (Modal, Node, Solid etc) that data is read from. If data is read from multiple models then a single group for each entity type will be created containing curves from multiple models.
Component Name	This option will create one group for each component (Node X displacement, Contact X Force etc), that data is read from. If data is read from multiple models then a single group for each component will be created containing curves from multiple models. The component groups can be named using either the component name (Disp X, Vel X...) or the component name and the entity type (Disp X - Node, Vel X - Node)
Curve File Index	If curves are read in from curve files (.CUR or CSV) then this option will create one group for the 1st curves read form each file, a second group for the 2nd curve read from each file and so on.

Multiple options can be selected at the same time.

Update Groups

This option will create and update the contents of automatic curve groups if the options are changed.



The following preference options can be used to change the default options, (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details).

```
group_by_model  
group_by_type  
group_by_component  
group_by_file_index  
component_group_name
```



9.21. Graphs

GRAPHS

This panel can be used to create additional graphs within T/HIS.

In addition to creating graphs this menu can also be used to control the layout of the graphs and to set up pages of graphs within T/HIS.

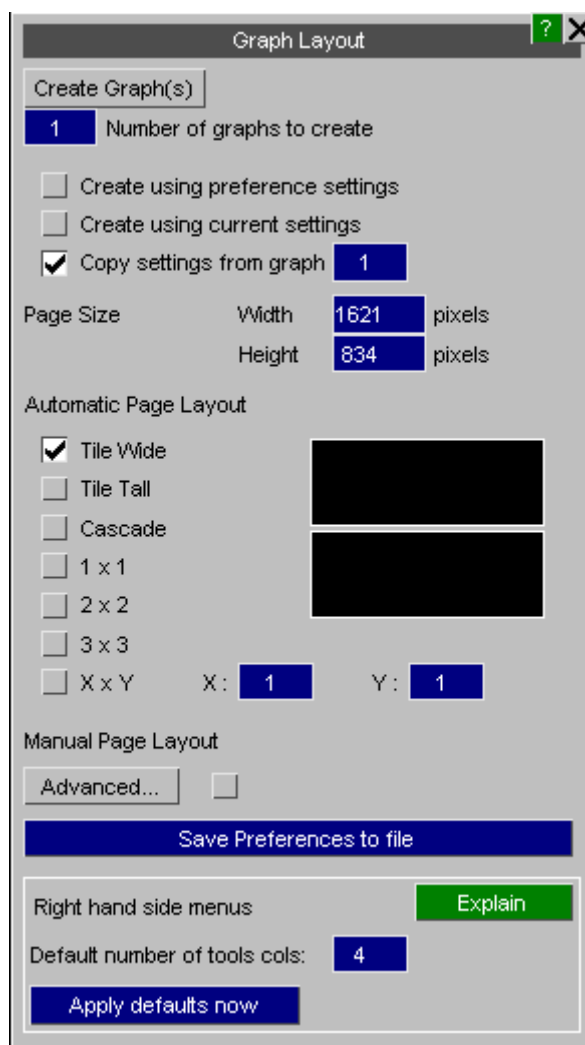
See [Graphs and Pages](#) for more details.



9.21.1. Save Preferences to File

Save Preferences to File

Launches a popup to quickly save preferences to the oa_pref file. See [Save Preferences Popup](#).



The image shows a 'Graph Layout' dialog box with the following settings:

- Create Graph(s)**
 - Number of graphs to create: 1
 - ☐ Create using preference settings
 - ☐ Create using current settings
 - ☒ Copy settings from graph 1
- Page Size**
 - Width: 1621 pixels
 - Height: 834 pixels
- Automatic Page Layout**
 - ☒ Tile Wide
 - ☐ Tile Tall
 - ☐ Cascade
 - ☐ 1 x 1
 - ☐ 2 x 2
 - ☐ 3 x 3
 - ☐ X x Y X: 1 Y: 1
- Manual Page Layout**
 - Advanced... ☐
- Save Preferences to file** (button)
- Right hand side menus** (button) **Explain** (button)
- Default number of tools cols:** 4
- Apply defaults now** (button)

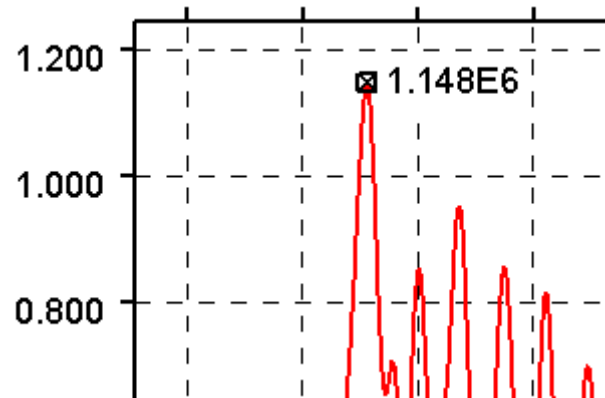


9.22. PROPERTIES

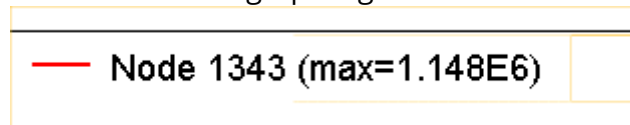
PROPERTIES

This menu can be used to display additional curves properties.

Minimum and maximum curve values can be highlighted for each curve and the value can also be displayed.



In addition to displaying the value on the curve the values can also be added automatically to the curve label in the graph legend.

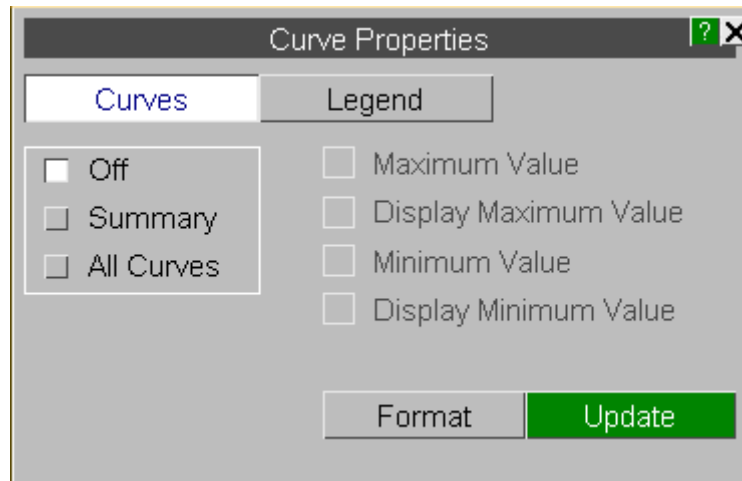




9.22.1. Curves (Off)

Curves (Off)

This option will turn off the display of all minimum and maximum values.





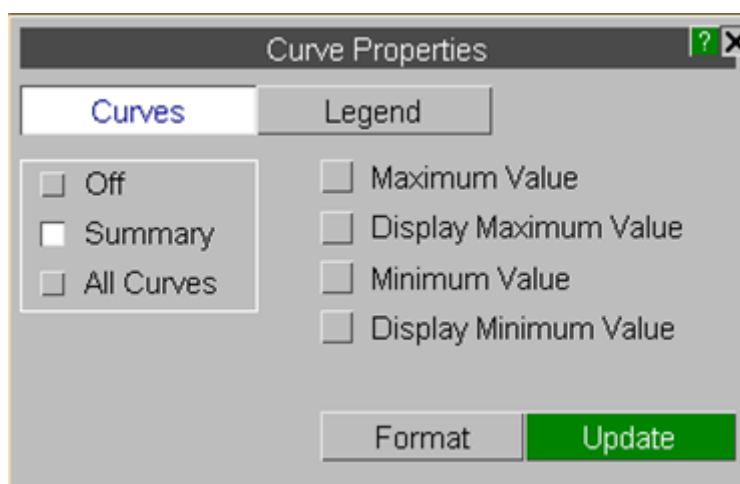
9.22.2. Curves (Summary)

Curves (Summary)

This option will display a single minimum/maximum value from all curves currently displayed..

The following properties can be displayed

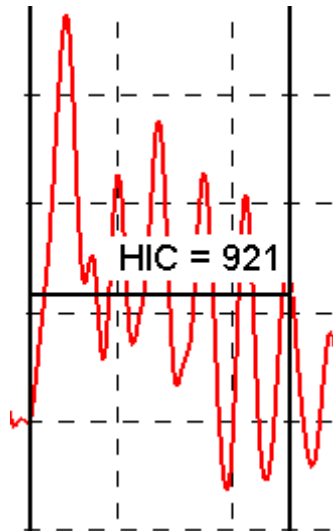
Maximum value	Mark the maximum value with a cross
Display Maximum	Display the maximum value
Minimum value	Mark the minimum value with a cross
Display Minimum	Display the minimum value



Curves (All curves)

This option can be used to select the properties that are displayed for each individual curve.

When this option is selected the display of injury criteria (HIC,HICd etc) for curves can also be selected.



Curve Properties

Curves

Legend

☐ Off
 ☐ Summary
 ☒ All Curves

Format

Update

Select All

None

Pick Visible

Show Curves

Highlight Max

Show Max Value

Highlight Min

Show Min Value

Show Hic

Show 3ms Clip

Show THIV

Show PHD

☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	☒	☐	☐	#1 Accel mag - Node 1343 : (
☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	☒	☐	☐	#2 Accel mag - Node 1344
☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐	#3 Accel mag - Node 1345 : (
☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐	#4 Accel mag - Node 1346 : (
☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐	#5 Accel mag - Node 1347 : (



9.22.3. Format

Format

This option can be used to control the display of the minimum/maximum values on the screen.

Text

The font, font size and colour of the values can be selected. Either a single colour can be used for all the values or the values for each curve can be coloured using the same colour as the curve.

Background

To make it easier to read the values a background can also be specified. In addition to specifying the background colour a transparency value can be used to control the visibility of curves under the text.

Border and Border Colour

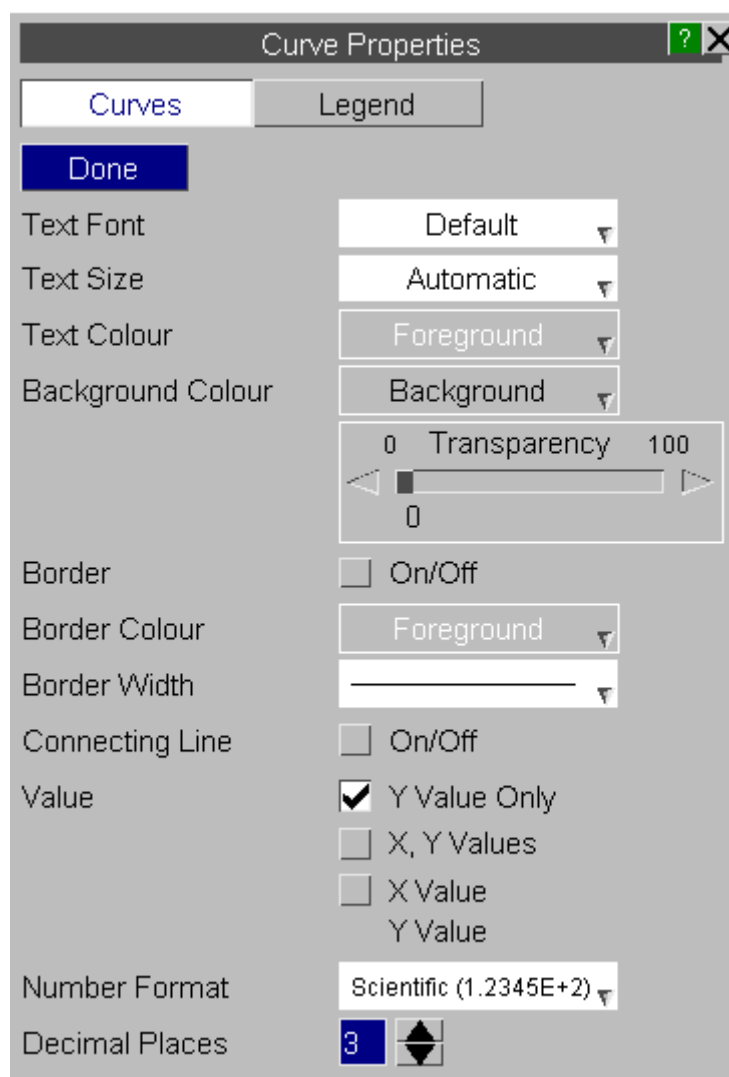
Specify a border and border colour to be added around the value.

Connecting Line

This option will draw a line connecting the value with the point it relates to on the curve. The connecting line is drawn using the same colour as the border.

Value

The values can be displayed showing just the Y axis value or with both the X and Y axis values. If both values are displayed they can either be displayed separated by a comma or one above the other.



Number Format

The values can be displayed using 3 different formats

Automatic	Values are displayed using exponential format, all values are displayed as values of E0, E3, E6 etc. e.g 11.234E+03
Scientific	Values are displayed using exponential format. e.g 1.123E+04
General	Values are displayed as real numbers. e.g 11234.000



Decimal Places

In addition to specifying the format, the number of decimal places can also be set between 0 and 9.



9.22.4. Legend

Legend

This option can be used to automatically added curve properties to the curve labels in the legend area.

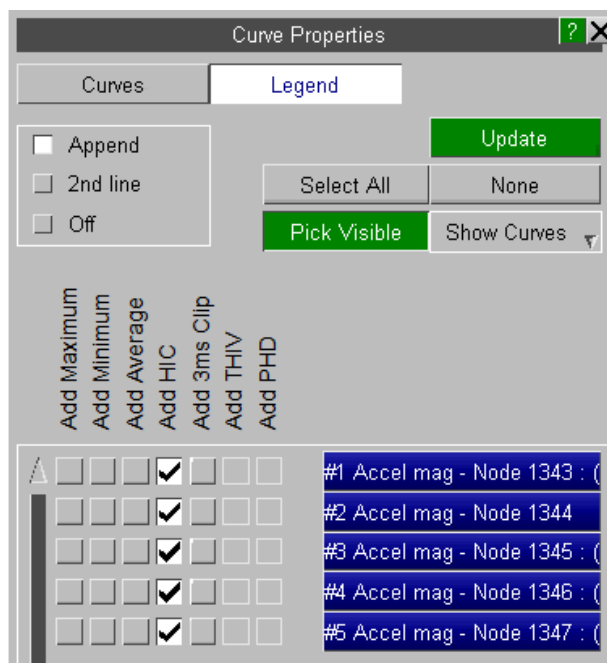
The following curve properties can be added to each curve label

- Maximum value
- Minimum value
- Average value
- Injury Criteria (HIC, HICd etc)

Other options

- Off** Turns off the display of curve properties in the legend
- Append** Add the values to the same line as the curve labels in the legend
- 2nd Line** Display the values using a second line for each curve in the legend

The format of the numbers added to the curve labels is the same as that used to display values on the curves.

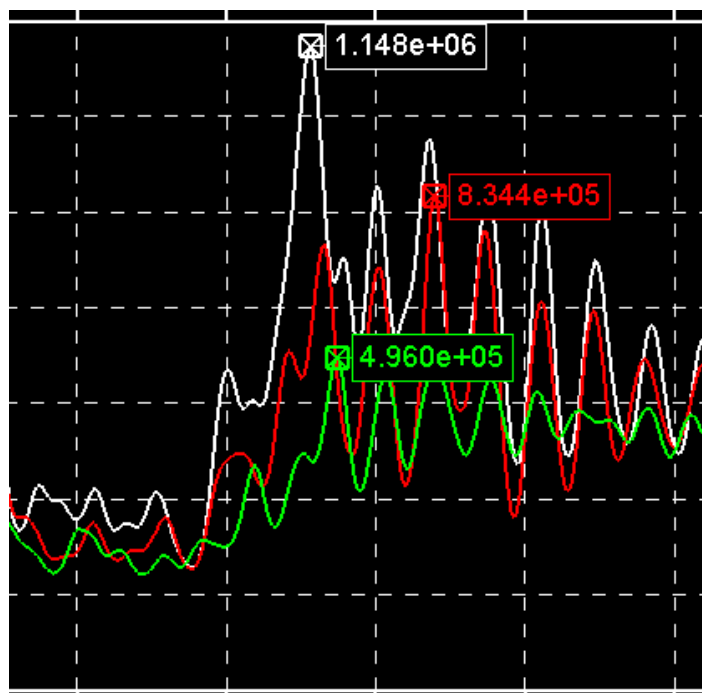




9.22.5. Positioning Values

Positioning Values

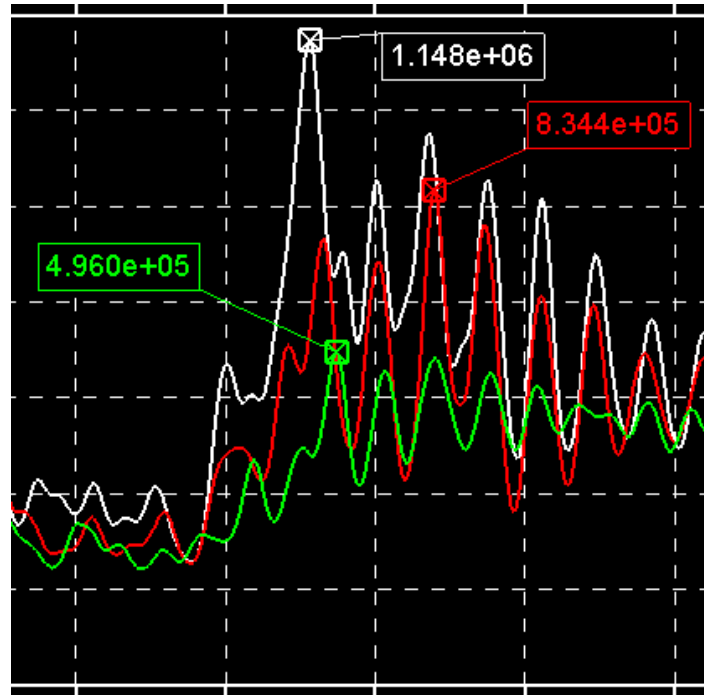
By default T/HIS will automatically position minimum and maximum values to the right of the point they apply to.



If the default location of the text obscures other curves then the position can be changed by clicking on the value with the left mouse button and then dragging the value to a new position.

If dynamic viewing is used to either zoom in or translate the curves after a value has been moved to a new position then it will maintain it's new position relative to the minimum/maximum value location.

As well as moving the minimum/maximum values the values used to display injury criteria like HIC and HIC(d) can also be moved.





9.23. UNITS

UNITS

From version 9.4 onwards, T/HIS tries to keep track of the units for each curve's X and Y axis. For every data component that T/HIS can read from an Ansys LS-DYNA results file, one of the following basic units is stored for the curve's X and Y axis.

Time	Rotation	Momentum	Energy Density
Energy	Rotational Velocity	Density	Mass Flow
Work	Rotational Acceleration	Stress	Frequency
Temperature	Length	Strain	Power
Displacement	Area	Force	Thermal Flux
Velocity	Volume	Moment	Force per unit width
Acceleration	Mass	Pressure	Moment per unit width
Viscosity	Thermal Diffusivity	Vorticity	Q Criterion
Current	Vector Potential	Magnetic Flux Vector	Electric Field Vector
Conductivity			

When a curve operation is carried out on curve which has either the X or Y axis unit defined, the units for the output curve(s) are also calculated. If a curve operation is carried out using 2 or more input curves with different units and the result is a curve with inconsistent units, then the units are set to zero.

If one of the inputs is a constant then it assumed to be unitless.

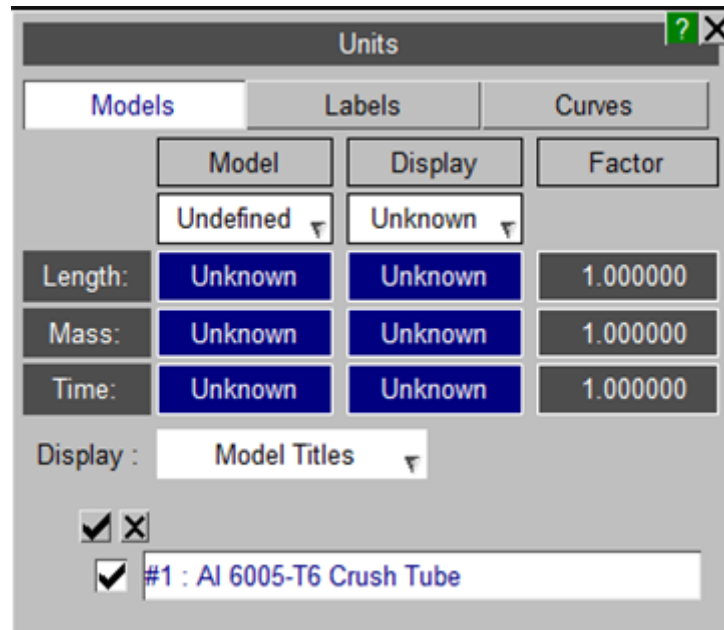
Input 1	Input 2	Operation	Output
Velocity (m/s)	Velocity (m/s)	Add	Velocity (m/s)
Velocity (m/s)	Displacement (m)	Add	Unknown
Velocity (m/s)	Velocity (m/s)	Divide	Constant
Velocity (m/s)	Displacement (m)	Divide	Frequency (1/s)
Velocity (m/s)	Constant	Add	Velocity (m/s)
Velocity (m/s)	Constant	Divide	Velocity (m/s)
Velocity (m/s)	-	Differentiate	Acceleration (m/s^2)



9.23.1. Models

Models

By keeping track of the X and Y axis units for each curve T/HIS can now convert results from one unit system to another.



For each model one of the following 6 unit systems can be defined.

Name	Units
U1	metre, kilogram, second (SI)
U2	millimetre, tonne, second
U3	millimetre, kilogram, millisecond
U4	millimetre, gram, millisecond
U5	foot, slug, second
U6	metre, tonne, second

In addition to specifying a unit system for each model a separate unit system can also be selected to use to display results.

If the model unit system and the display unit system are different then T/HIS will automatically calculate the correct factors to apply to the X and Y axis as the curve data is read from the file (All curves are stored inside T/HIS using the currently defined Display unit system).



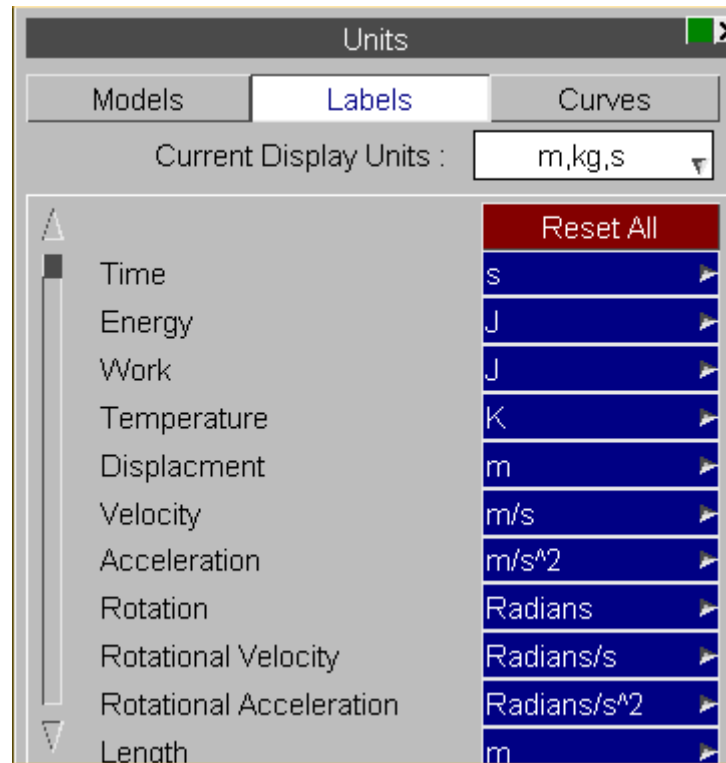
	Model	Display	Factor
	mm, t, s	m, kg, s	
Length:	millimetre	metre	0.001000
Mass:	tonne	kilogram	1000.0000
Time:	second	second	1.000000



9.23.2. Labels

Labels

This option will display the labels that will be used for each of the built-in units. Each Unit System has its own set of labels which can be modified if required.



The default labels for each unit system are shown below.

	U1: m,kg,s	U2: mm,T,s	U3: mm,kg,ms	U4: mm,gm,ms	U5: ft,slug,s	U6: m,T,s
Time	s	s	ms	ms	s	s
Energy	J	mJ	J	mJ	ft lbf	kJ
Work	J	mJ	J	mJ	ft lbf	kJ
Temperature	K	K	K	K	K	K
Displacement	m	mm	mm	mm	ft	m
Velocity	m/s	mm/s	mm/ms	mm/ms	ft/s	m/s
Acceleration	m/s ²	mm/s ²	mm/ms ²	mm/ms ²	ft/s ²	m/s ²
Rotation	Radians	Radians	Radians	Radians	Radians	Radians
Rotational Velocity	Radians/s	Radians/s	Radians/s	Radians/s	Radians/s	Radians/s
Rotational Acceleration	Radians/s ²	Radians/s ²	Radians/s ²	Radians/s ²	Radians/s ²	Radians/s ²
Length	m	mm	mm	mm	ft	m



Area	m ²	mm ²	mm ²	mm ²	sq ft	m ²
Volume	m ³	mm ³	mm ³	mm ³	cu ft	m ³
Mass	kg	T	kg	gm	slug	T
Momentum	kg m/s	T mm/s	kg mm/ms	gm mm/ms	ft slug/s	T m/s
Density	kg/m ³	T/mm ³	kg/mm ³	gm/mm ³	slug/cu ft	T/m ³
Stress	N/m ²	N/mm ²	kN/mm ²	N/mm ²	lbf/sq ft	kN/m ²
Strain	-	-	-	-	-	-
Force	N	N	kN	N	lbf	kN
Moment	Nm	Nmm	kNmm	Nmm	ft lbf	kNm
Pressure	N/m ²	N/mm ²	kN/mm ²	N/mm ²	lbf/sq ft	kN/m ²
Energy Density	J/m ³	mJ/mm ³	J/mm ³	mJ/mm ³	ft lbf/cu ft	kJ/mm ³
Mass FLOW	kg/s	T/s	kg/ms	gm/ms	slug/s	T/s
Frequency	Hz	Hz	kHz	kHz	Hz	Hz
Power	W	mW	kW	W	ft lbf/s	kW
Thermal Flux	W/m ²	mW/mm ²	kW/mm ²	W/mm ²	lbf/ft	kW/m ²
Force per unit width	N/m	N/mm	kN/mm	N/mm	lbf/ft	kN/m
Moment per unit width	Nm/m	Nmm/mm	kNmm/mm	Nmm/mm	ft lbf/ft	kNm/m
Viscosity	kg/m s	T/mm s	kg/mm ms	gm/mm ms	slug/ft s	T/m s
Thermal Diffusivity	m ² /s	mm ² /s	mm ² /ms	mm ² /ms	ft ² /s	m ² /s
Vorticity	Radians/s	Radians/s	Radians/ms	Radians/ms	Radians/s	Radians/s
Q Criterion	1/s	1/s	1/ms	1/ms	1/s	1/s
Current	A	A	A	A	A	A
Vector Potential	kg m/A s ²	T mm/A s ²	kg mm/A ms ²	gm mm/A ms ²	slug ft/A s ²	T m/A s ²
Magnetic Flux Vector	kg/A s ²	T/A s ²	kg/A ms ²	gm/A ms ²	slug/A s ²	T/A s ²
Electric Field Vector	kg m/A s ³	T mm/A s ³	kg mm/A ms ³	gm mm/A ms ³	slug ft/A s ³	T m/A s ³
Conductivity	A ² s ³ /kg m ³	A ² s ³ /T mm ³	A ² ms ³ /kg mm ³	A ² ms ³ /gm mm ³	A ² s ³ /slug ft ³	A ² s ³ /T m ³

If a curve has a user defined unit or if after a curve operation one of the curve axis units is not one of the basic units that T/HIS knows about then T/HIS will build a label from the currently defined length,mass,time,temperature and angle labels.

If for example a velocity/time curve is multiplied by another velocity time curve then the Y axis will have units of Velocity². If the current display unit system is U1 (m,kg,seconds) then the unit label for the curves y axis will be "m²/s²".



9.23.3. Curves

Curves

This option can be used to display the unit information for each curve.

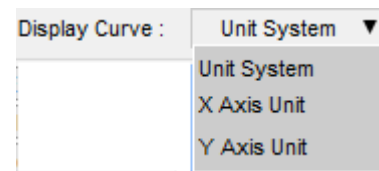


The **Curve** dropdown displays the unit system of the selected curves. It can also be used to update curves that have an undefined unit system.

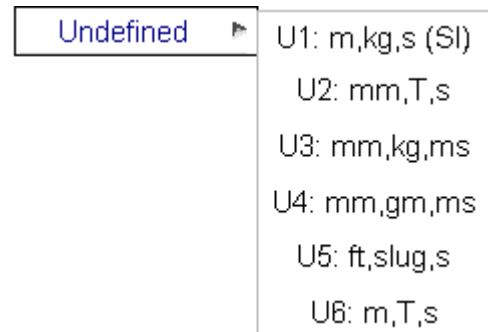
The **Display** dropdown shows the display unit system currently used in T/HIS. Display units can be modified from this dropdown or from the **Model** panel.

The **Factor** section indicates the mass, length, and time conversion factors between the selected unit system and the display unit system.

By default, the unit system for each curve is displayed, but this can be changed to show either the X or Y axis unit using the popup menu.



Setting the Unit System for a Curve



If the unit system for a curve has not been defined then it will be displayed as "Undefined" and a popup menu will be available that can be used to select the correct unit system. If the selected unit system is different to the unit system currently being used to display results then the curve values will automatically be converted to the current display unit system.

If a curve is associated with a model, its units can only be modified from the Models panel and not from the Curves panel.

Multiple curves can be selected using the Ctrl or Shift keys. Once selected, the units can be changed via the Selected Curves dropdown or the Curves dropdown located at the top of the panel.

Note : *Once the unit system for a curve has been defined it can not be changed.*

Setting the Axis Units for a Curve



The X and Y axis units of a curve can be defined or changed at any time. The popup menu contains all of the basic Unit types that T/HIS knows about plus an option to setup a user defined unit.

To create a user defined unit for a curve, the unit should be defined in terms of its basic properties. The values for **mass**, **length**, **time**, **angle**, **tempetrature** and **current** should be the powers that are used to describe the unit in terms of it's fundamental dimensions.

Moment per Unit Width
Force per Unit Width
User Defined

Unit Label : s
Length : 0.00
Mass : 0.00
Time : 1.00
Angle : 0.00
Temp : 0.00
Apply

Some examples of common units defined using this method are shown below.

Unit	Mass	Length	Time	Angle	Temperature	Current
Time	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Displacement	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Velocity	0.0	1.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Acceleration	0.0	1.0	-2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Stress	1.0	-1.0	-2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



9.24. The JavaScript Interface

9.24.1. Introduction

Introduction

JavaScript is a freely available scripting language that is normally found performing the "work" behind interactive web pages, however its syntax and structure also make it an excellent tool for providing an externally programmable interface to programmes in general.

Within T/HIS it is implemented as an Application Programming Interface (API) which provides a range of functions that allow you to edit and create curves, open windows, generate plots, and so on. This is written in a very simple and non-intimidating way, with relatively few functions, that should be easy for non-programmers to use.

Anyone familiar with C or shell script programming will find existing JavaScripts are instantly readable, and can be given minor edits without further ado. For those who are more ambitious a good guide to the language is "**JavaScript, A definitive Guide**" by David Flanagan, published by O'Reilly, ISBN 0596101996.

In T/HIS 17.0 and earlier the implementation supported ECMAScript 5 features of JavaScript. In T/HIS 18.0 the implementation has been upgraded to support ECMAScript 6 (and newer) features of JavaScript.

The sections below describe how to run JavaScripts in T/HIS, and summarise its JavaScript API. For details of the API and its functions, and also some examples, see the JavaScript API Reference Manual

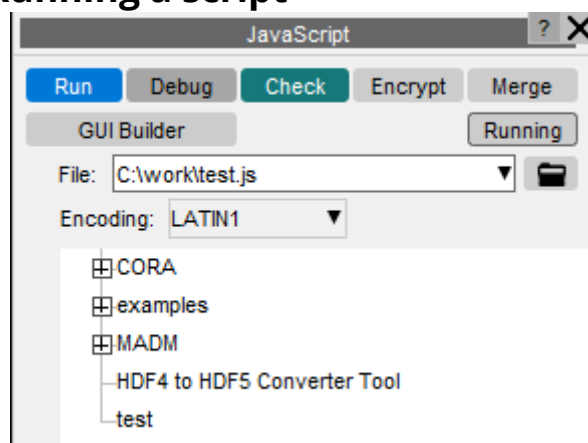


9.24.2. Using JavaScript in T/HIS

Using JavaScript in T/HIS.

Human-readable JavaScripts need to be **compiled**, meaning turned from something human-readable into a set of instructions that a computer can understand; and then **run** in their compiled form. They can be changed and rerun in their modified form at any time without having to exit and re-enter T/HIS, making the "write, test, modify, re-test" development cycle very quick and easy.

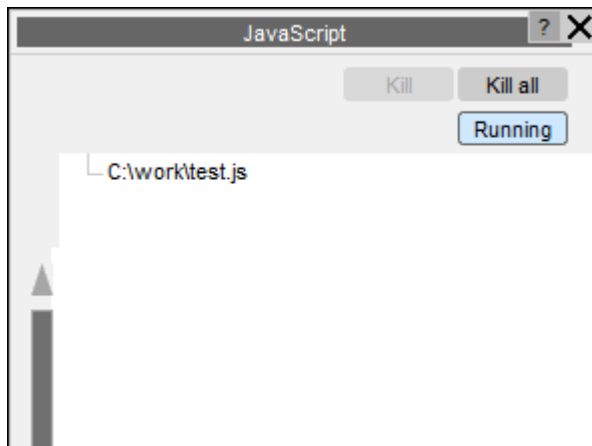
Compiling and Running a script



Run	Will both compile and run the script unless it contains syntax errors, in which case it stops with an error message when compilation fails.
Debug	Starts the JavaScript debugger, JaDe to debug the script.
Check	Only compiles the script, reporting any errors found, and does not run it.
Encrypt	A script can be encrypted so that the source code is hidden but the script can still be run (when compiling and running the script T/HIS decrypts the file in memory). Once encrypted, the source code cannot be retrieved by an ordinary user, so make sure that you keep the original file somewhere safe. As a last resort contact Oasys Ltd Support, who can decrypt the script if required. If a script is split up into separate files by Use, the files are all combined together into the main file before encrypting.
Merge	If a script is split up into separate files by Use, the files are all combined together into a single file. This may be useful if you want to give the script to someone else and you do not want to have to give lots of different files.
GUI Builder	Opens the GUI Builder to interactively build GUIs for your script.
Running	Enables you to view (and kill) any scripts that are currently running



Knowing which scripts are running



When scripts are running in T/HIS, they are shown in the Running submenu.

Use the **Running** button to toggle between the list of scripts that are currently running, and the tree of available scripts.

To kill/terminate a running script, highlight the script(s) in the tree and press **Kill**.

Alternatively, to kill all the scripts that are currently running use **Kill all**.

File encodings for scripts

Version 10.0 of T/HIS introduced the ability for unicode text to be used on widgets created in a script. Previous versions of T/HIS only supported English text so the default ASCII encoding was used for script files (this is still the default encoding for script files).

If you want to use unicode text in widgets then you must use a file encoding that is capable to representing the unicode 'characters' you require. The **File encoding** popup allows you to change the file encoding used when reading the script file. T/HIS supports the following file encodings:

Encoding	Description
LATIN-1	Default 'ASCII' encoding
BIG5	Taiwan/Hong Kong (traditional)
EUC-CN	Extended unix code (Simplified Chinese)
EUC-JP	Extended unix code (Japanese)
EUC-KR	Extended unix code (Korean)
GB	Chinese (simplified)
GBK	Chinese
ISO-2022-CN	Chinese
ISO-2022-CN-EXT	Chinese (extended)



ISO-2022-JP	Japanese
ISO-2022-JP-2	Japanese (extended)
ISO-2022-KR	Korean
JOHAB	Korean
SHIFT-JIS	Japanese
UTF-8	Should NOT have a byte order mark (BOM).
UTF-16	Should have a byte order mark (BOM). If not present assumes big endian
UTF-16LE	Little endian with or without byte order mark (BOM)
UTF-16BE	Big endian with or without byte order mark (BOM)
UTF-32	Should have a byte order mark (BOM). If not present assumes big endian
UTF-32LE	Little endian with or without byte order mark (BOM)
UTF-32BE	Big endian with or without byte order mark (BOM)

Please contact Oasys Ltd Support if you have problems or require another encoding to be supported.

To show the unicode text the appropriate font must be used. This can be set using the preferences `this*cjk_unix_font` and `this*cjk_windows_font` .

Dealing with errors in scripts

Script errors come in two forms:

Syntax errors

Are mistakes of JavaScript grammar or spelling, resulting in error messages during compilation.

These are easy to detect and correct since the line number and offending syntax are both described by the compiler. The script needs to be edited to correct the problem and then recompiled. Sometimes several iterations of the compile/edit cycle are required to eliminate all errors from a script.

Run-time errors

Are errors of context or logic in scripts that are syntactically correct, and thus have compiled, but which fail at some stage when being run.

A typical example of a run-time error is an attempt to divide a value by zero, yielding the illegal result infinity. More subtle errors involve passing an invalid value to a function, accessing an array subscript that is out of range, and so



on.

The JavaScript API Reference Manual has been written in such a way that it handles "harmless" run-time errors by issuing a warning and continuing execution, but that more serious errors which could result in the wrong answers being generated issue an error message and terminate.

Garbage Collection memory size

Whenever a javascript creates an object, array or string variable, some memory needs to be allocated by the computer. When the variable goes out of scope (is no longer reachable) this memory needs to be returned. This is done automatically in JavaScript by a process called garbage collection.

The garbage collection process runs periodically when this memory use reaches a certain level. To be able to do this, the garbage collection process itself also requires a small amount of memory to keep track of all of the variables.

Prior to version 22.0, this garbage collection memory was a fixed size and had to be allocated before any scripts could run. The default size for this was 25Mb and there was a textbox on the script panel to change this to a larger value if required..

In T/HIS 22.0 the garbage collection memory is now expanded automatically as required to run the script(s). There is no longer any need to give the garbage collection memory size, so the textbox to specify the memory has been removed.

However, if you know in advance that your script has to retain a large number of objects, arrays, strings etc in memory then it might be beneficial to start the script with a larger memory, rather than letting T/HIS gradually increase the memory. This can be done using the `this*javascript_memory_size` preference or adding a special [memory comment](#) at the top of the script.

The maximum size of garbage collection memory that T/HIS can allocate is 4Gb. Note that this is the memory for the 'garbage collection' process, **NOT** the total memory for the script. The total memory for the script could be significantly higher than this value. If T/HIS is being run on a machine that is shared by several users and you want to limit the size of the memory for scripts, rather than expanding it automatically to 4Gb you can use the preference

```
oasys*javascript_maximum_memory_size
```

Assigning Scripts to Shortcut Keys

If a script is to be run repeatedly, it can be convenient to set up a shortcut to it. From within the JavaScript menu the script can be assigned to one of the 12 function keys. Alternatively, the JavaScript can be assigned to any key using the [Shortcut menu](#).



Maintaining a library of JavaScripts

It is also convenient to have a library of scripts in a defined location.

By default T/HIS looks in `$OA_INSTALL/this_library/scripts` , but you can define a different directory by setting the preference:

this*script_directory: *some_different_directory_name*

in your oa_pref file.

All scripts found in the relevant directory will be listed in the JavaScript panel, as shown in this example.



Using the "description:" comment at the top of a script to identify its purpose.

To help to identify scripts special comments are searched for in the top 10 lines of each script, and if **description:** is found, for example the comment line:

```
// description: Some description of the script's purpose
```

Then the description line is shown as hover text when the mouse is placed over that filename. For example the line:

```
// description: Colour curve by model number
```

Will result in the hover text " **Colour curve by model number** " appearing when the mouse hovers over the button to launch the script.

Using the "name:" comment at the top of a script to change its name

Normally the name shown for a script will be its filename, stripped of any leading pathname and trailing ".js" extension.



However if the string **name:** is found in the first ten lines of the script, then the following name will be used instead. For example the line:

```
// name: Colour By Model
```

Will result in the script appearing with the name " **Colour By Model** " in the JavaScript panel. This does not affect the actual name of the script, only the name on its library button.

Using the "memory:" comment at the top of a script to change the initial garbage collection memory

Very occasionally the **initial** [memory required for garbage collection](#) needs to be changed.

If the string **memory:** is found in the first ten lines of the script, then the size given will be used for the memory (unless the size in the memory textbox is larger than this value). For example the line:

```
// memory: 50
```

Will result in the script **initially** using 50Mb for garbage collection memory. T/HIS will automatically expand the memory required for garbage collection as necessary. See [Garbage Collection Memory Size](#) for more details.

Using the "encoding:" comment at the top of a script to change the encoding

By default the encoding used for scripts is LATIN1

If the string **encoding:** is found in a comment on the first twenty lines of the script, then the encoding will automatically be used for the script. The allowed values are **UTF8** or **UTF-8** for UTF- 8 encoding and **ShiftJIS** , **Shift-JIS** or **sjis** for Shift-JIS encoding.

For example the line:

```
// encoding: UTF8
```

Will result in the UTF-8 encoding being used for the script.

Using the "module:" comment at the top of a script for ES6 modules

T/HIS has to compile scripts that use [ES6 modules](#) differently to 'normal' scripts. If a script has the extension `.mjs` then T/HIS will automatically compile the script to use [ES6 modules](#). Alternatively, if the file has a different extension, the `module` comment can be used to tell T/HIS that this file needs to be compiled to support [ES6 modules](#).



If the string `module: TRUE` is found in a comment on the first twenty lines of the script, then the script will be compiled with [ES6 module support](#).

For example the line:

```
// module: TRUE
```

Will result in the script being compiled with [ES6 module support](#).



9.24.3. Running a JavaScript in "batch" mode

Running a JavaScript in "batch" mode.

All the above assumes that JavaScripts will be run interactively from the user interface, however it is also possible to run a script in "batch" mode using the command line interface. The relevant command-line commands are:

<code>/JAVASCRIPT -</code>	<code>+-</code>	<code>COMPILE</code>	Compiles and checks the script, but does not run it.
	<code>+-</code>	<code>EXECUTE</code>	(Re)compiles and runs the script
	<code>+-</code>	<code>MEMORY</code> <code><nnn></code>	Resets the Garbage Collection threshold to <nnn> MBytes

To run a JavaScript from batch these commands need to be placed in a command file and run using the command line "`-cf= command filename`" option. For example the command file might be:

```
... some other commands
/JAVA EXEC my_script.js
...some further commands
```

And the command line required to run T/HIS might be something like:

```
$OASYS/this10.exe -d=default -cf= command_file -exit analysis_name
```

Obviously multiple script invocations may be placed in a command file. For more information see:

[Command and Session files](#)

Describes command files, and explains how to create and use them

[T/HIS command line arguments](#)

Describes the various command line arguments, and how to use them



9.24.4. Running a JavaScript from within a FAST-TCF script

Running a JavaScript from within a FAST-TCF script

JavaScript scripts can also be run from within a FAST-TCF script using the "javascript" option

```
javascript "E:\jascripts\new_function.js"
```

Within a FAST-TCF script curves are usually accessed via curve tags. If a JavaScript is used within a FAST-TCF script it is recommended that the **Curve.GetFromTag()** function is used to access existing curves. If a new curve is created by a JavaScript within a FAST-TCF script then the new curve can be accessed within the FAST-TCF script using the "tag" parameter of the curve creation function

```
new_curve = new Curve(id,tag,label,x-axis label,y-axis label);
```

If a tag is not specified in the curve creation function

```
new_curve = new Curve(id );
```

then a curve tag will be generated automatically for the curve. The 1st curve created within the script will be tagged " **curve_js_1** ", the 2nd " **curve_js_2** " ...



9.24.5. ECMAScript 6 Modules

ECMAScript 6 modules

T/HIS 23.0 supports ES6 modules. For more information on ES6 modules, please refer to <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Guide/Modules>.

Prior to support for ES6 modules, the only way to split up a script in T/HIS was to use the non-standard Use() functionality in the Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software. ES6 modules now give JavaScript built-in support for modular programming using the `import` and `export` keywords. T/HIS supports both static and dynamic imports for modules and this section gives a brief guide to how T/HIS locates modules.

To be able to support ES6 modules, T/HIS has to compile the script in a different way to a 'normal' script that does not use modules. So that T/HIS can tell how to compile the script we use a different extension `.mjs` for scripts that use modules. This follows the convention used by [V8](#) and [Node.js](#). Alternatively, if you prefer, you can put a special [module](#) comment at the top of the script and continue to use the extension `.js` (or whatever other extension you prefer).

When importing modules using `import` then if the module filename is an absolute filename T/HIS can locate the file directly. However if a relative filename is used T/HIS will search for the file in the following order.

1. Relative to the directory that the main script is in.
2. Relative to any parent module directory.
3. Relative to any `script_directory` preference specified in a preference file given by a `-pref=xxxx` command line option.
4. Relative to any `script_directory` preference specified in a preference file in the current directory.
5. Relative to the script directory specified in the HOME directory. By default this will be `$HOME/primer_library/scripts` but this can be changed with the `script_directory` preference in the HOME `oa_pref` file.
6. Relative to the script directory specified in the OA_INSTALL directory. By default this will be `$OA_INSTALL/primer_library/scripts` but this can be changed with the `script_directory` preference in the OA_INSTALL `oa_pref` file.
7. Relative to the script directory specified in the OA_ADMIN directory. By default this will be `$OA_ADMIN/primer_library/scripts` but this can be changed with the `script_directory` preference in the OA_ADMIN `oa_pref` file.
8. Relative to any `module_directory` preference specified in a preference file given by a `-pref=xxxx` command line option (unset by default).
9. Relative to any `module_directory` preference specified in a preference file in the current directory (unset by default).
10. Relative to any `module_directory` preference specified in the HOME `oa_pref` file (unset by default).



11. Relative to any module_directory preference specified in the OA_INSTALL oa_pref file (unset by default).
12. Relative to any module_directory preference specified in the OA_ADMIN oa_pref file (unset by default).

Note that the non-standard Use() functionality and ES6 modules cannot both be used when compiling a script. You must use one or the other. Where possible you should now use ES6 modules in preference as they are now part of core JavaScript.

Individual module files can be encrypted if required so if you want to protect only some parts of your code/process and leave the rest of it open/visible this can easily be done.

One difference between using the non-standard Use() method and ES6 modules is that with the Use() method T/HIS could merge all of the individual files back into a single file using the **Merge** command which could then be encrypted if required to only have to give out a single file instead of a 'package'. For ES6 modules an external tool such as [rollup.js](#) or [Webpack](#) is required to merge the files. Once combined into a single file, T/HIS can encrypt it.



9.24.6. Scripts using GUIs

Scripts using GUIs

Scripts that create a graphical user interface (GUI) have to keep running so that the windows for the user interface remain visible. The way that this is done has changed in version 21.

All programs that have a graphical user interface (GUI) use an "event loop" to process any mouse/keyboard events. T/HIS has a main "event loop" to process all of the program's events.

In version 20 and before, if a script created and showed a window, T/HIS would start a new "event loop" to manage and process that JavaScript window.

The script would not return from the window `Show()` call until the window was hidden/closed.

i.e. showing the window would "block" execution of the script until the window was closed.

When the window is closed, the script continues.

When execution reaches the end of the script, the script is terminated

For example, in version 20 and earlier, in the following script, "Hello, world!" will not be printed until the window is closed because the call to `w.Show()` will not return until the window is closed.

```
// Create a window with a widget
var w = new Window("Test", 0.5, 0.6, 0.5, 0.6);
var l = new Widget(w, Widget.LABEL, 0, 50, 0, 6, "Press X to close
the window");

// Show the window and start event loop
w.Show();

// Print message
Message("Hello, world!");
```

When the window is closed the message is printed and the script will then terminate as execution has reached the end of the script.

In version 21 the behaviour has changed. If a script creates and shows a window, T/HIS will ***not*** start a new "event loop" to manage and process that JavaScript window. The window will now be processed from the main event loop in T/HIS.

The script now returns from the window `Show()` as soon as the window is shown, and execution of the script continues.

i.e. showing the window no longer "blocks" execution of the script until the window is closed.



When execution reaches the end of the script, the script is ***not*** terminated.

The script continues running "in the background" as the script has shown a window.

For example, in version 21, in the same script "Hello, world!" will be printed immediately after the window is shown, because the call to `w.Show()` returns after the window is shown.

When the message is printed, the script will ***not*** terminate when execution reaches the end of the script. The script will continue to run "in the background". You can use the [Running](#) button in the script menu to see which scripts are running at any time.

If a script that shows windows continues running "in the background", and does not terminate when execution reaches the end of the script, how/when does the script terminate?

A script that uses windows ***must*** now call `Exit` to terminate the script

```
// Create a window with a widget
var w = new Window("Test", 0.5, 0.6, 0.5, 0.6);
var l = new Widget(w, Widget.LABEL, 0, 50, 0, 6, "Press X to close
the window");

// Exit when window closed
w.onClose = Exit;

// Show the window
w.Show();

// Print message
Message("Hello, world!");
```

If the script does not call `Exit` then the script will continue to run in the background, even if no windows are being shown. If necessary the [Running](#) menu can be used to terminate the script.

This change was primarily required for running multiple scripts in PRIMER, but the behaviour in T/HIS is the same. See [Why the change has been made in version 21](#) in the PRIMER manual for details.

For simple scripts, the only change that should be required is to make sure that the script exits when the main window is closed by calling `Exit()`. The Window `onClose` event can be used to do this.

If you have specifically relied on script execution "blocking" when the Window `Show` method is used, then your script may need to be slightly modified. Please contact our support team if you have any questions or need assistance.



9.24.7. Examples

Examples

By far the easiest way to learn JavaScript is by example and, more specifically by modifying existing scripts to do what you want.

The software comes supplied with examples in the `$OASYS/ programme_library/examples` directory (for T/HIS `$OASYS/this_library/examples`) and you are free to use and modify these files for your own purposes.



9.24.8. MADM Correlation Tool

MADM Correlation Tool

Included in T/HIS as a JavaScript is the MADM Correlation Tool. The minimum area discrepancy method (MADM) is ideal for correlation between Ansys LS-DYNA simulations and physical tests when force versus deflection is the relationship of interest, and offers benefits over other correlation methods that focus on parameters versus time. To run the tool, open the JavaScript panel, and select **MADM → MADM Correlation Tool**. For more details, see [Appendix F – MADM Correlation tool](#).



9.24.9. The T/HIS JavaScript API

The T/HIS JavaScript API

The API is documented in the JavaScript API Reference Manual

The global class section lists all the functions available in the global scope. To make them easier to locate, they are also presented in different categories in the tree on the left hand side.



9.24.10. CORA (CORrelation and Analysis) Tool

CORA (CORrelation and Analysis) Tool

Included in T/HIS as a JavaScript is the CORA (**COR**relation and **A**nalysis) tool, an implementation of the methodology used by the Partnership for Dummy Technology and Biomechanics ([PDB](#)) software [CORA](#). To run the tool, open the JavaScript panel, and select **CORA → CORA (CORrelation and Analysis)**. For more details, see [Appendix F – CORA implementation](#).



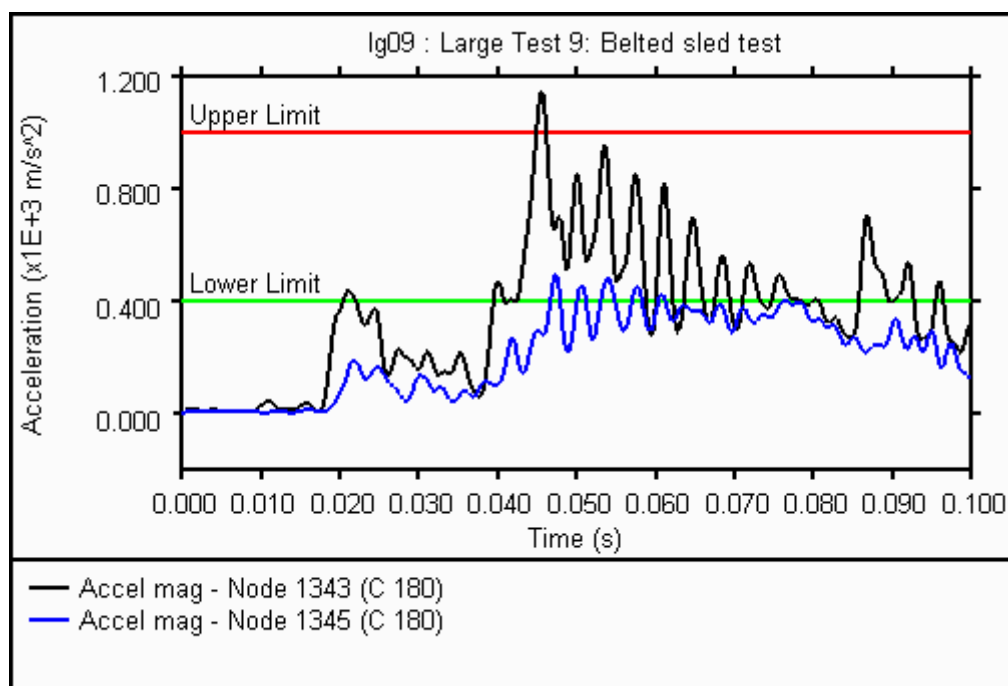
9.25. Datum Lines

Datum Lines

Datum lines can be added to graphs to show limits and reference curves. Unlike normal curves DATUM lines are not used to calculate graph limits when auto scaling and are not shown in the curve legend. There is no hard-wired upper limit on the number of datum lines - machine specifications are the limiting factor.

—	Read	Write	Curves	Models
Edit	Style	Properties	Images	
Operate	Maths	Automotive	Seismic	
Macros	FAST-TCF	Title/Axes	Display	
Settings	Preferences	Groups	Graphs	
Command File	Units	JavaScript	Datum	

Each graph can contain multiple DATUM lines, all DATUM lines are drawn in the order they have been defined before any curves are plotted.





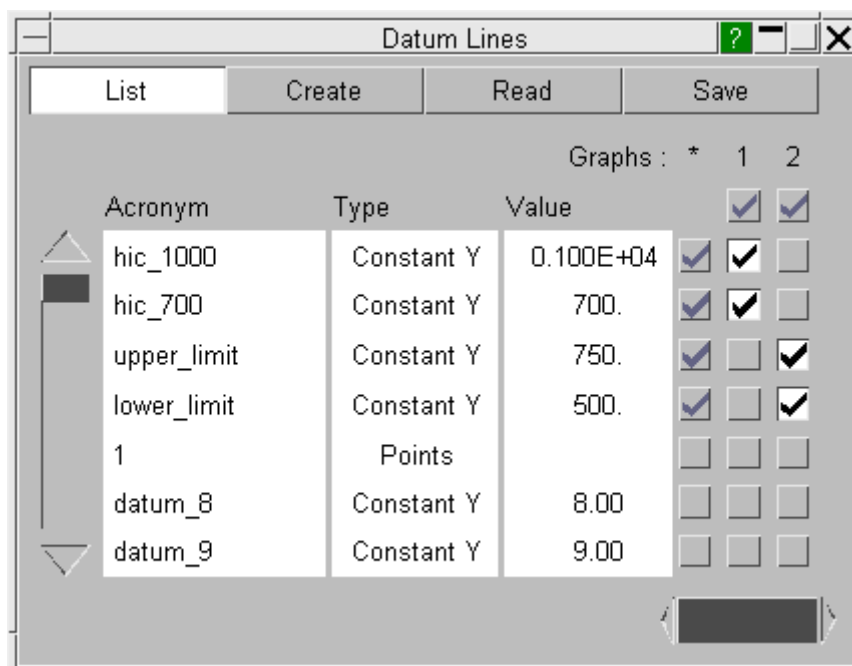
9.25.1. List

List

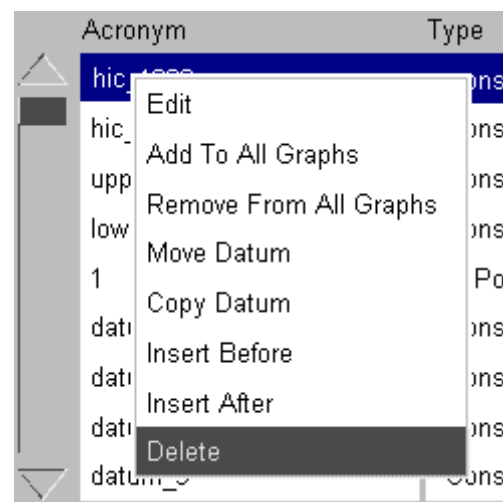
This option lists any datum line definitions that have been created.

This menu can also be used to select which datum lines appear on each graph. Each datum line can appear on more than one graph.

A range of datum lines can be added/removed from graphs by selecting the first line/graph combination and then holding down **Shift** while selecting the second line/graph.



Clicking on any of the datum line definitions will highlight it in blue and display a popup menu containing the following options.





Edit	Edit the selected datum line definition. This option will display the CREATE/EDIT menu.
Add to All Graphs	Add the selected datum line definition to all the currently defined graphs
Remove From All Graphs	Remove the selected datum line definition from all the currently defined graphs
Move Datum	Make a copy of the selected datum line, the original definition will be deleted when the copy is inserted.
Copy Datum	Make a copy of the selected datum line.
Insert Before	Insert the previously copied/moved datum line definition before the selected datum line; if nothing has previously been copied or moved, a blank datum line definition is inserted before the selected datum line and the new definition can subsequently be updated.
Insert After	Insert the previously copied/moved datum line definition after selected datum line; if nothing has previously been copied or moved, a blank datum line definition is inserted after the selected datum line and the new definition can subsequently be updated.
Delete	This will delete the selected datum line.



9.25.2. Create/Edit

Create/Edit

Each datum line must be defined with a unique acronym that is used to identify it in FAST-TCF scripts. The acronym shouldn't contain any spaces.

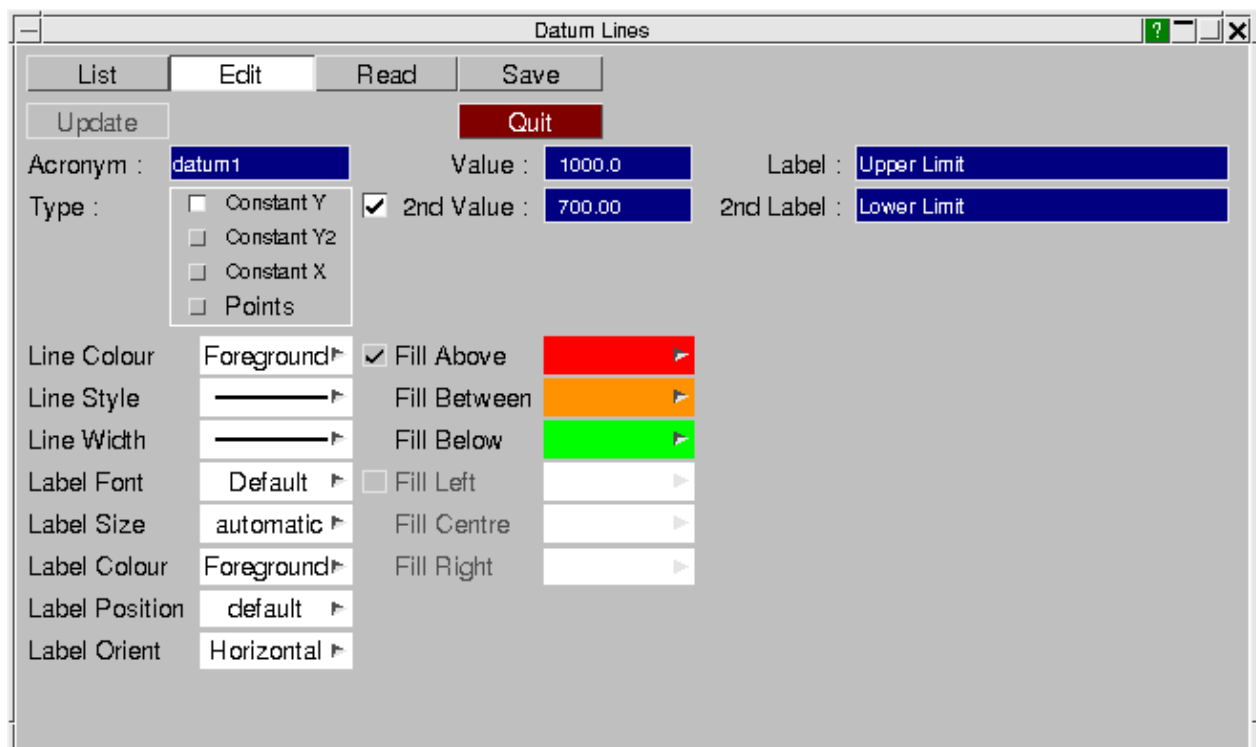
An optional label that is displayed on the graph next to the datum line can also be defined. The font, size and colour for the label can be defined, as well as the orientation and position of the label relative to the datum line.

datum lines can be defined as

- Constant Y values
- Constant Y2 values
- Constant X values
- Curves of X,Y points

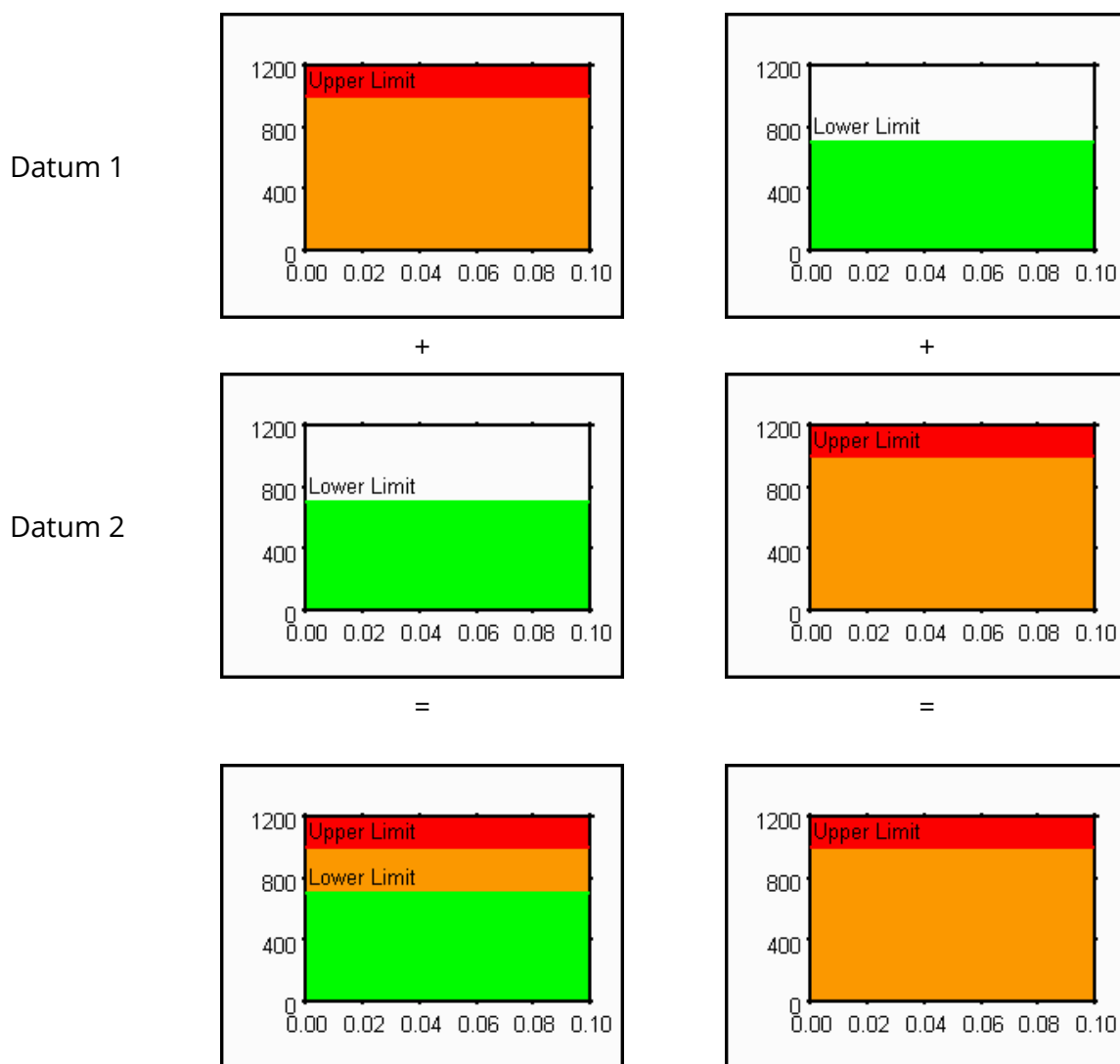
For constant X, Y or Y2 datums, the line will automatically extend to the edges of the graph and the areas either side of the line can be filled using any of the standard T/HIS colours.

For constant datums, an optional second value can be defined, along with a corresponding second label. A third fill colour can be used to fill in between the two datum lines, reducing the need for multiple datums which rely on being drawn in the correct order.



The image shows a software dialog box titled "Datum Lines". It has a menu bar with "List", "Edit", "Read", and "Save". Below the menu bar are buttons for "Update", "Quit", and "Value". The dialog is divided into several sections. The "Acronym" field is set to "datum1". The "Value" field is set to "1000.0". The "Label" field is set to "Upper Limit". The "Type" section has four radio buttons: "Constant Y", "Constant Y2", "Constant X", and "Points". The "Constant Y" radio button is selected. The "2nd Value" field is set to "700.00". The "2nd Label" field is set to "Lower Limit". The "Line Colour" is set to "Foreground". The "Line Style" is set to a solid line. The "Line Width" is set to a medium width. The "Label Font" is set to "Default". The "Label Size" is set to "automatic". The "Label Colour" is set to "Foreground". The "Label Position" is set to "default". The "Label Orient" is set to "Horizontal". The "Fill" section has four checkboxes: "Fill Above", "Fill Between", "Fill Below", and "Fill Left". The "Fill Above" checkbox is checked. The "Fill Between" checkbox is checked. The "Fill Below" checkbox is checked. The "Fill Left" checkbox is unchecked. The "Fill Centre" checkbox is unchecked. The "Fill Right" checkbox is unchecked. The "Fill" section also has four color swatches: red, orange, green, and white.

As the datum lines are drawn in the order they are defined, care must be taken when applying fill colours. The following example shows the effect of defining the datums in a different order. Using the optional second value, the following example can actually be made into a single datum with two values, two labels and three fill colours, as in the above image.



In order to define a datum using X,Y points, either each point can be manually added or the points can be copied into the datum from a curve, using the **Copy points from curve...** button. This will open a list of curves and allow one to be selected or picked on the screen and the option to copy the curve label is also given. The areas between the curve and the axes can be filled, either above and below or left and right. Note that datum curves are always plotted against the left-hand y-axis scale, even when copied from a curve currently plotted against the right-hand y-axis.

Datum Lines

List

Edit

Read

Save

Update

Quit

Acronym :

datum2

Type :

☐ Constant Y
☐ Constant Y2
☐ Constant X
☐ Points

Line Colour

Foreground

☒ Fill Above
☐ Fill Between
☐ Fill Below
☐ Fill Left
☐ Fill Centre
☐ Fill Right

Line Style

Line Width

Label Font

Default

Label Size

automatic

Label Colour

Foreground

Label Position

default

Label Orient

Horizontal

Label Point

Max Y Value

Label :

Points :

Copy points from curve...

1	0.0000	0.0000
2	0.99900E-04	2.6662
3	0.19980E-03	2.7306
4	0.29970E-03	0.47009
5	0.39960E-03	2.9116
6	0.49950E-03	2.9588
7	0.59940E-03	0.89881
8		
9		
10		
11		



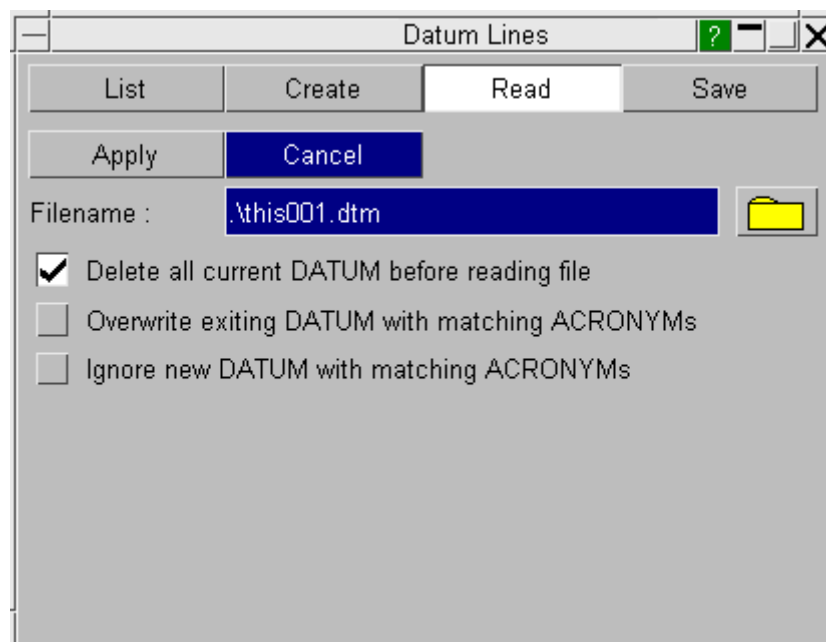
9.25.3. Read

Read

This option can be used to read in a file containing datum line definitions that has previously been saved.

All datum lines must have a unique acronym. When the file is read the user has the choice to:

1. Delete any existing datum line definitions before the file is read.
2. If a datum line in the file being read has the same acronym as an existing datum line then the existing definition will be overwritten.
3. If a datum line in the file being read has the same acronym as an existing datum line then the new definition in the file will be ignored.



The preference option

`this*datum_file : C:\datum\this001.dtm`

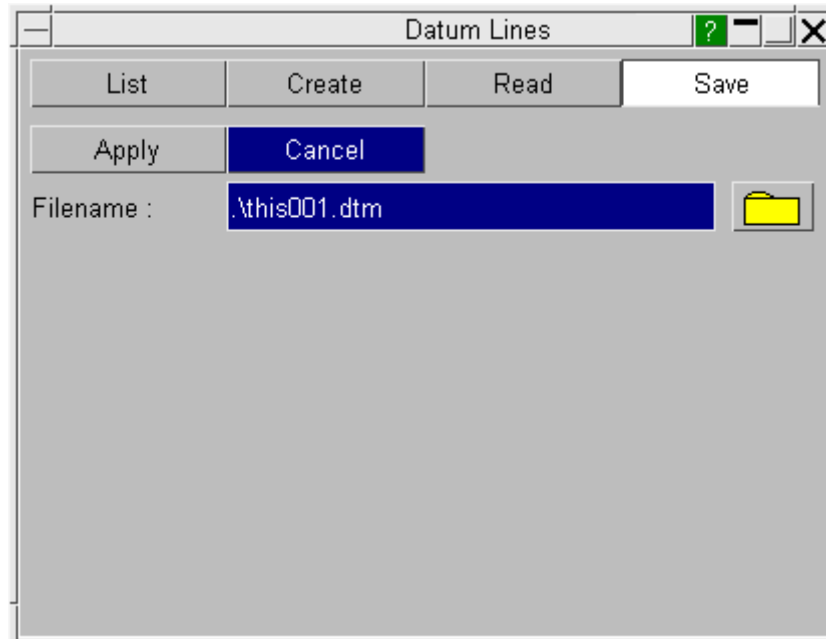
can also be used to define a default file containing datum line definitions that is read automatically when T/HIS starts (see [Appendix H](#) for more details)



9.25.4. Save

Save

This option can be used to save any datum line definitions to a file so that they can be reloaded and used in future T/HIS sessions.





9.26. T/HIS Session Save and Retrieve

T/HIS Session Save and Retrieve

T/HIS session save and retrieve saves the current T/HIS session as a session file of format (.tsf) onto the disk which can be read back later on to retrieve the saved T/HIS session. A T/HIS session file can also appended to or overlayed on top of an existing session.



9.26.1. Save Session

Save Session

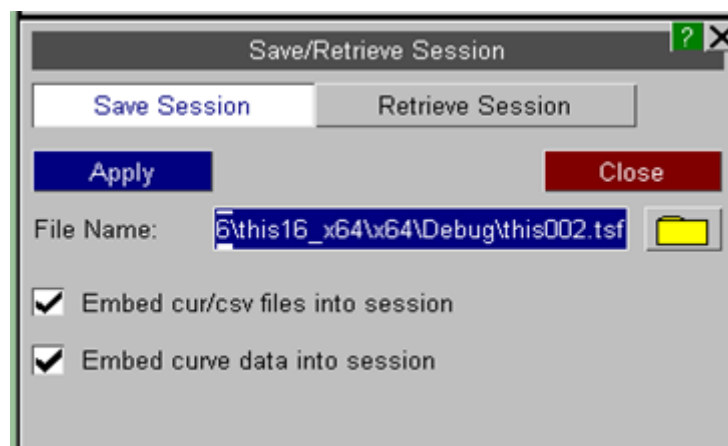
A T/HIS session can be saved either through Save/Retrieve Session panel or on Exit.

Save Session - Save/Retrieve Session Panel

To save a T/HIS session, select **File** -> **Session File** -> **Save** to open the Save/Retrieve Session panel in the menu area. Enter a name for the session file in the **File Name** textbox and click **Apply**. A filename can also be entered using file selection browser.

It should be noted that T/HIS session file does not directly store either the Ansys LS-DYNA model results or any csv/cur files that have been used for generating the curves inside the session file by default. It will only contain the full address path to these files. As a result of this session file do not occupy much space on disk.

If users want they can embed extra information into the session file so that the saved T/HIS session can be retrieved even if Ansys LS-DYNA results/csv/cur files are deleted or lost.



Embed cur/csv files into session

This option embeds the cur or csv files that are used for creating the curves. The session file with embedded cur/csv files no longer depend on these files and the session can be retrieved even if these files are deleted or lost. If you want this option to be enabled always, you can set the preference `this*session_embed_cur_csv_files: ON` (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details).

Embed curve data into session

This option embeds the curve xy coordinate data for all curves into the session file. A session file with embedded curve data can be retrieved even if the model files are missing. However, a session retrieved using embedded curve data loses information such as curve ID and graph properties. If you want this option to be enabled always, you can set the



preference: this*session_embed_curve_data: ON (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details).

Save Session - On Exit

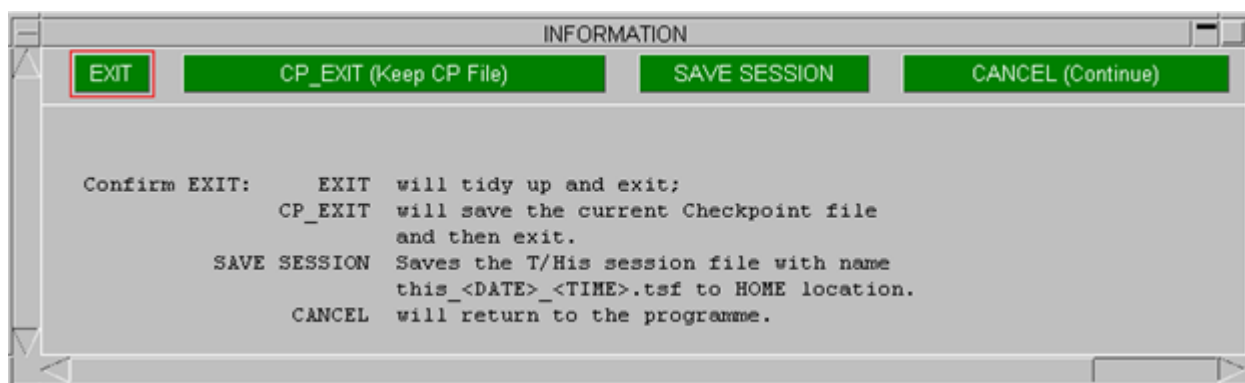
T/HIS session can be saved on exit from T/HIS by selecting **SAVE SESSION** button on the exit INFORMATION panel. The session file saved would have a name of the format **this_<DATE>_<TIME>.tsf**. The file would be by saved to the location defined in preference file (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details).

this*session_save_option:

this*session_save_dir:

The session file can also saved automatically every time T/HIS exits by defining in the preference file (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details).

this*session_auto_save:





9.26.2. Retrieve Session

Retrieve Session

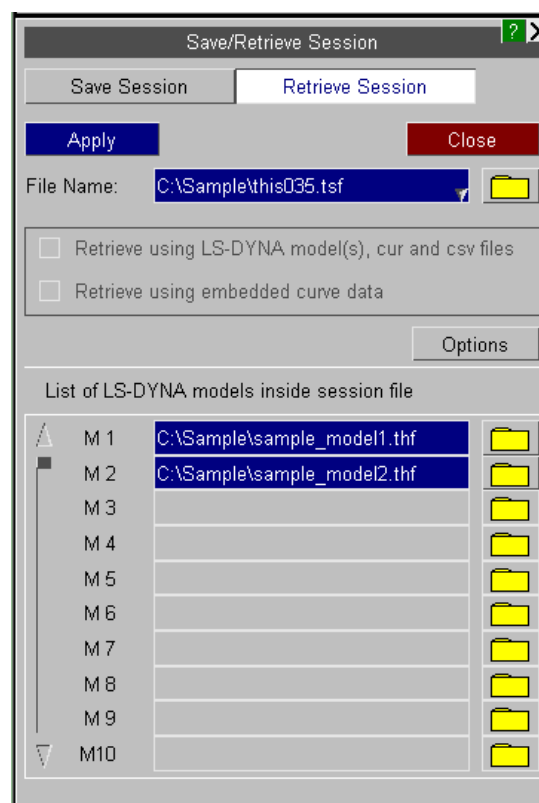
A session file (.tsf) that has been saved onto the disk can be opened by simply double-clicking on it.

To open a session file (.tsf) from inside T/HIS, select **File** -> **Session File** -> **Retrieve** to open the Save/Retrieve Session panel in the menu area. Enter the name of the session file which needs to be opened in the **File Name** textbox and click **Apply**. The session file can also be selected using file selection browser. The Retrieve Session panel can pop-up on the screen every time T/HIS is launched by setting the preference `this*show_session_retrieve_on_start: ON` (see [Format of the oa_pref File](#) for more details).

A typical T/HIS session can be retrieved in two possible ways depending on the data saved in session file:

1. Using Ansys LS-DYNA model(s), cur and csv files
2. Using embedded curve xy data

Note: An option to select either of the above types is provided only if the session file contains embedded curve xy data. By default session is retrieved using Ansys LS-DYNA model(s), cur and csv files option.



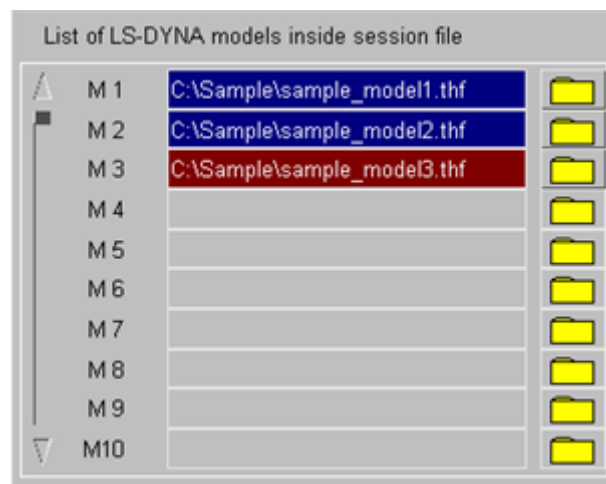
Using Ansys LS-DYNA model(s), cur and csv files



The session retrieved using Ansys LS-DYNA models, cur and csv files can restore all the curve information such as ID, blanking status, curve history, curve and graph properties such as color, curve symbol, line width, line style and captions. This option needs Ansys LS-DYNA model(s), cur and csv files that are not embedded in the session files to be present in the locations defined inside the session.

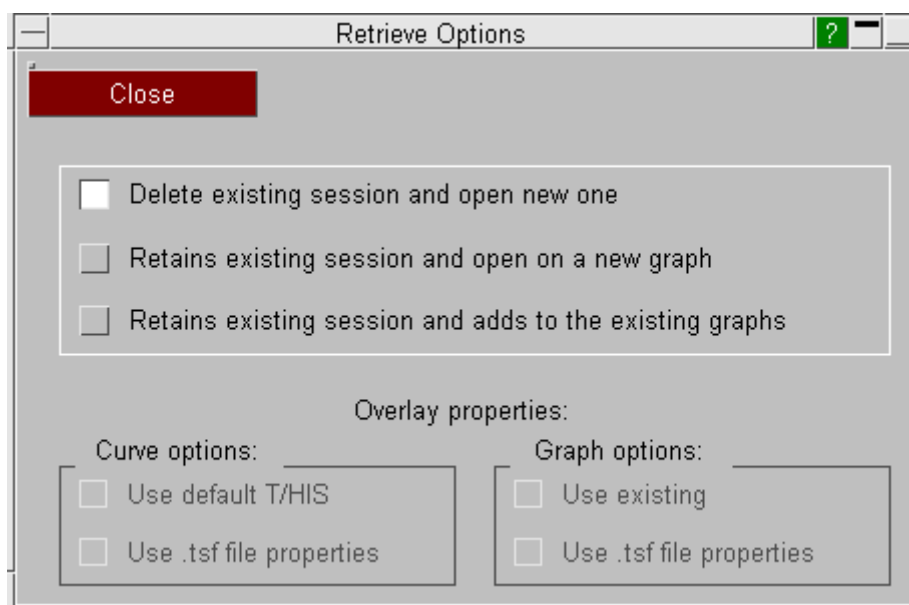
If the session files uses any Ansys LS-DYNA models then the path of models used by the session file can be found in **List of Ansys LS-DYNA models inside session file**. If the session file contains any model which is not found in the path defined inside the session file, the background color of the textbox turns red from blue.

The path of the models used by the session files can be modified either by modifying the path of the file in the textbox or by select the file using the file selection browser.



A T/HIS session file can be opened even if some of the models are missing. The retrieved session will only contain the curves from the models that are present.

When trying to open a new session file with T/HIS already containing model(s) or curve(s), T/HIS session retrieve offers three different options:



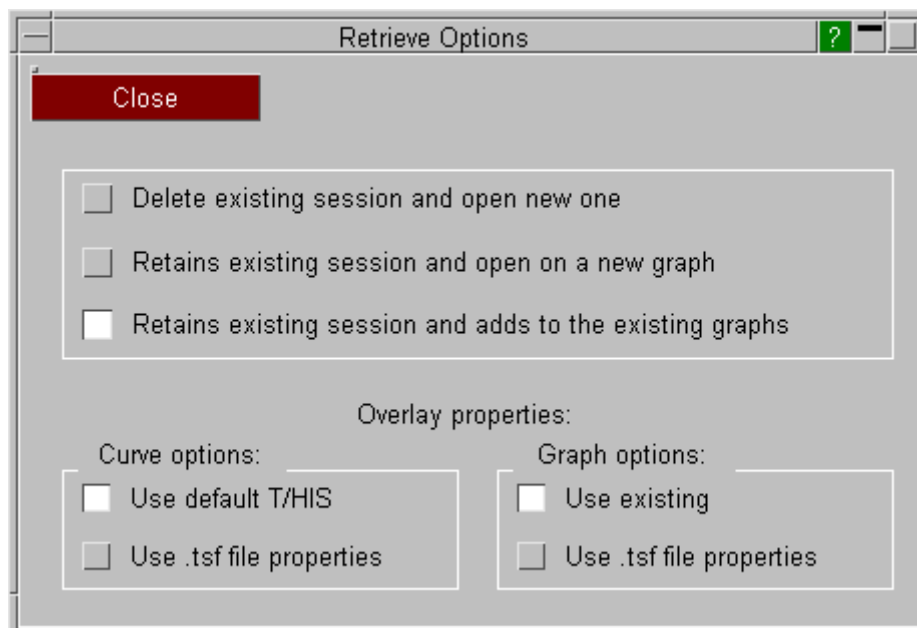
Delete existing session and open new one (New Session)	This option deletes the current existing session and opens the selected session file as a fresh new T/HIS session. It should be noted that graphs and curves, once deleted, cannot be retrieved unless they are saved beforehand.
Retains existing session and open on a new graph (Append session)	This option retains the current existing session as it is and the graphs from the session file will start from the highest available graph id. Total number graphs in the combined session is limited to 32.
Retains existing session and adds to the existing graphs (Overlay session)	This option retains the current existing session as it is and the curves from session file will be added to their corresponding graph in the current session.

The above Retrieve Options can be set by clicking on the **Options** button in the Save/Retrieve Session panel. This button becomes available only if T/HIS already contains model(s) or curve(s). Clicking on this button will open up the Retrieve Options pop-up.

The Overlay Properties become available when **Retains existing session and adds to the existing graphs** option is selected. The Overlay Properties will help in defining the curve style for the curves/graphs properties such as curve line type, width, graph title, x-



axis and y-axis labels and font that are being overlaid on top of existing session the curve and graph.



Overlay Curve Options	Use default T/HIS	This option automatically defines the curve style for the curves that are being overlaid.
	Use .tsf file properties	For the curves that are being overlaid, this option will apply the curve style defined inside the session file (.tsf).
Overlay Graph Options	Use existing	This option will retain the current existing graph properties such as x-axis and y-axis labels and font as it is.
	Use .tsf file properties	This option will apply the graph properties such as x-axis and y-axis labels and font as defined inside the session file (.tsf).

Using embedded curve xy data

If the selected session file contains embedded curve xy data, the option to select **Retrieve using embedded curve data** becomes available. This option retrieves all the curves even when the Ansys LS-DYNA model files required for session are missing/lost. However, the session retrieved using embedded curve xy data loses certain curve and graph properties. Hence, session option such as append and overlay are not applicable for a session retrieved using embedded curve data.



Save/Retrieve Session

Save Session Retrieve Session

Apply Close

File Name: C:\Sample\this001.tsf

☐ Retrieve using LS-DYNA model(s), cur and csv files

☐ Retrieve using embedded curve data

Options

List of LS-DYNA models inside session file

M 1	C:\Sample\sample_model1.thf	
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M 3		
M 4		
M 5		
M 6		
M 7		
M 8		
M 9		
M10		



9.27. Workflows

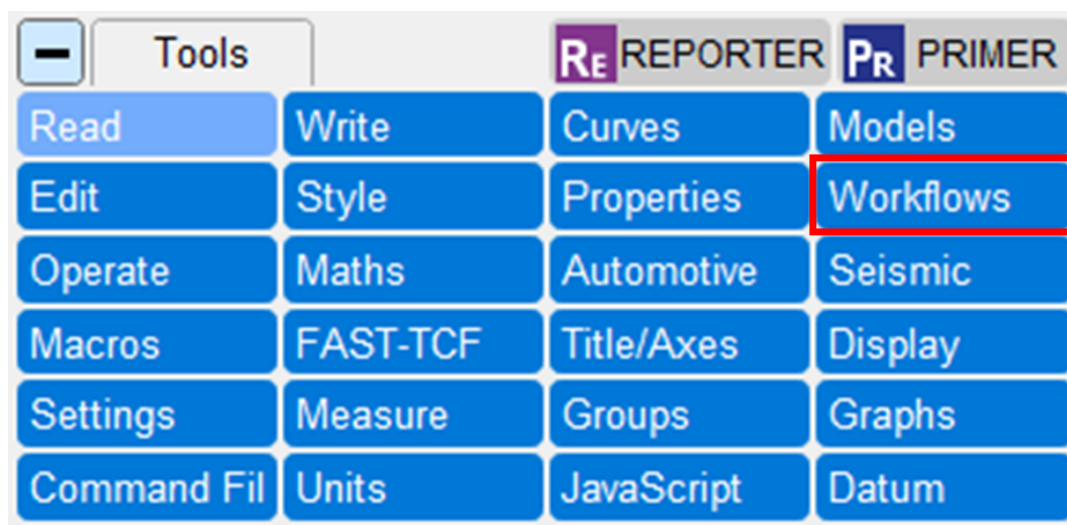
Workflows

The Oasys Suite contains powerful tools and capabilities that can be used to interrogate and debug your analysis results. However...

1. The tools are not always customised for your specific loadcases or tasks
2. You may need to manually perform a number of steps to process your results, which can be time-consuming and prone to error
3. The JavaScript API can be used to create tools to automate your post-processing workflow, but this requires time, resource and knowledge, which is not always available

To address these issues, the Workflows feature provides tools customised for specific loadcases and tasks, built upon the existing capabilities in the Oasys Suite, to make it easier to interrogate and post-process results.

The Workflows framework provides a simple structure to transfer data from PRIMER to the post-processing software. Browse the selection of already-available [Workflow Tools](#), or read more about the [Workflows menu in T/HIS](#).





9.27.1. Workflows Updates

Workflows 23.0 (released with Oasys Suite 23.0)

Many pre- and post-processors offer a range of tools that can be used to configure and interrogate Ansys LS-DYNA models. However:

1. The basic tools are not always customised for Ansys LS-DYNA, or for specific loadcases
2. You may need to perform many manual steps to process your results, which can be time-consuming and prone to error
3. Scripting APIs can be used to create tools to automate tasks, but this requires time, resource and knowledge, which is not always available

To address these issues, we introduced Workflows. Workflows is a powerful framework that provides you with customised tools that work seamlessly from pre-processing through to post-processing, providing results quickly and reliably.

Workflow Tools

[Learn how to use the latest Workflow tools here.](#)

[Learn about Workflow User Data.](#)

In addition to the tools provided, you can create your own bespoke tools. Please [contact us](#) if you have an idea for a tool and would like some help creating it.

Releases

The Workflows tools are constantly being improved and enhanced. If you have any requests for new features or experience issues using Workflows, please [contact us](#) and we will aim to address your requests in future releases. This documentation is for 23.0 (released with Oasys Suite 23.0). A record of all releases is listed below.

Workflows Releases

Date	Release	Description	Documentation	Minimum required version	Download	Changelog



Workflows Releases

12 Jun 2026	23.0	Many significant updates. Highlights include: • New Airbag Toolbox to help you understand CPG and CPM airbag behaviour • New HBM Assessments postprocessing workflow • New Utilisation Workflows: General Utilisation, Adhesive Utilisation, Fastener/Spotweld Utilisation • New MPDB Compatibility Assessment workflow • Support for the latest Virtual Testing protocols: ○ IIHS Whiplash Prevention Evaluation 2025 ○ Euro NCAP 2026	Workflow Tools 23.0	23.0		Version 23.0 Changelog
17 Dec 2025	22.1	Many significant updates. Highlights include:	Workflow Tools 22.1	22.0	Oasys Suite 22.1 download	Version 22.1 Changelog



Workflows Releases

		• Updates to Automotive Assessments and SimVT to support Euro NCAP 2026 Frontal Impact and C-NCAP Management Regulation (2024 Edition) • New SimVT diagnostic tools to help you quickly pinpoint the causes of poor correlation • The LS-DYNA to ISO-MME tool can now get mass information from the d3hsp/OTF file without the need of the d3thdt file • Head offset curves from C-NCAP test video data can now be imported from CSV in SimVT • Added a "Use dv/dt" option to derive accelerations from velocity curves (instead of raw acceleration output) for use in Automotive assessments, SimVT and LS-				



Workflows Releases

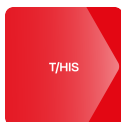
		DYNA to ISO-MME • VTC Videos is now combined into a single Workflow tool for all protocols				
18 Jun 2025	22.0	Many significant updates. Highlights include: • Chinese language support in C-NCAP REPORTER templates • Easily configure the units, polarity and scale of imported ISO-MME or CSV data • Better handling of time offsets between simulation and test data • Support for new Automotive Assessments protocols, including UN ECE and Global NCAP • An upgraded Pulse Index Workflow with better usability • Enhancements to VTC Videos including target video file size	Workflow Tools 22.0	22.0	No longer available	Version 22.0 Changelog



Workflows Releases

		VTC Quality Criteria Workflows with support for draft Euro NCAP Frontal and HBM protocols				
21 Nov 2024	21.1	- Added support for C-NCAP Far Side Occupant Protection Protocol (2024 Edition) - Migrated the IIHS and US NCAP automotive library templates from REPORTER to the Workflows framework - Several bug fixes	Workflow Tools 21.1	21.1	No longer available	Version 21.1 Changelog
27 Aug 2024	21.0 W1	21.0 Workflows Update 1 – Comprehensive support for Euro NCAP Virtual Far Side Protocol v1.0	Workflow Tools 21.0 W1	21.0	No longer available	Version 21.0 W1 Changelog
15 May 2024	21.0	First version containing Virtual Testing tools	Workflow Tools 21.0	21.0	No longer available	Oasys 21.0 Release Notes
08 Nov 2023	20.1	Bug fix release	Workflow Tools 20.1	20.1	No longer available	Oasys 20.1 Release Notes
17 Apr 2023	20.0	First release of Workflows	Workflow Tools 20.0	20.0	No longer available	Oasys 20.0 Release Notes



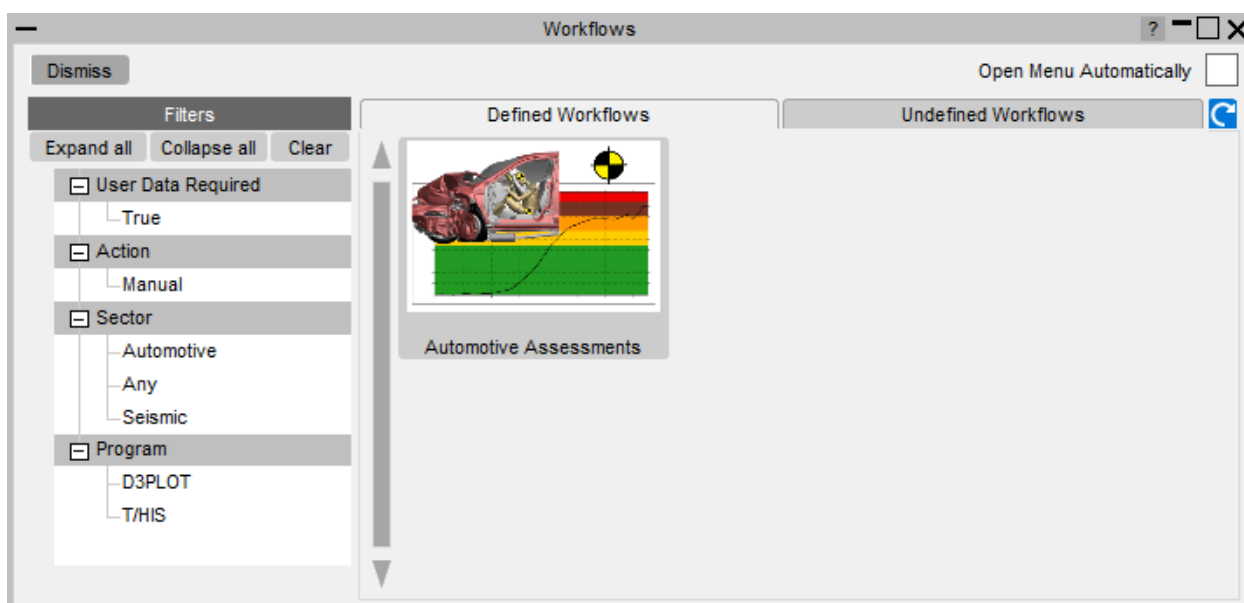


9.27.2. Workflows menu in T/HIS

Workflows menu in T/HIS

Tools → Workflows

The Workflows menu allows easy access to all the available workflows. In T/HIS, you can open the Workflows menu by selecting **Tools → Workflows**. The **Defined Workflows** tab shows all the Workflows that can be selected. Selecting any of the Workflows will run the JavaScript defined in the Workflow Definition. Running a Workflow will minimise the Workflows menu and open the script's user-interface. The Workflows menu will maximise again after closing the script.



When the Workflows menu is initially opened, it shows all the available Workflows, but you can filter the Workflows by using the **Filters** tree. You can select multiple categories to filter the available Workflows displayed. Individual categories can be selected with single clicks; pressing the **Ctrl** and **Shift** keys while clicking on the tree will do a multi select.

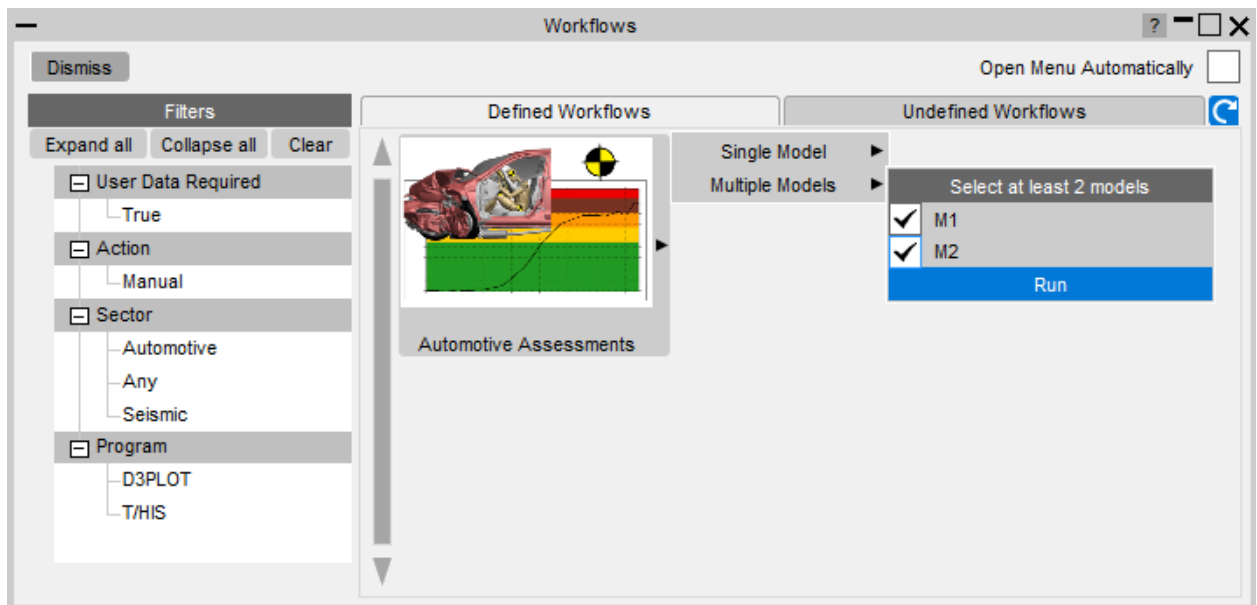
Every Workflow can be tagged with Category and Value pairs, which populate the Filters tree. Selecting multiple Values within a Category will show all the Workflows tagged with any of the selected Values. However, selecting Values across Categories will show workflows which are tagged with all the selected Category/Value.

You can always refresh the Workflow user data and available Workflows shown in the menu by using the refresh  button in the top-right corner of the panel. This will reread the Workflow data from the files so that the updated data is available. This is useful if you update the Workflow data from a PRIMER session and you want to use the revised user data in your already-open T/HIS session.

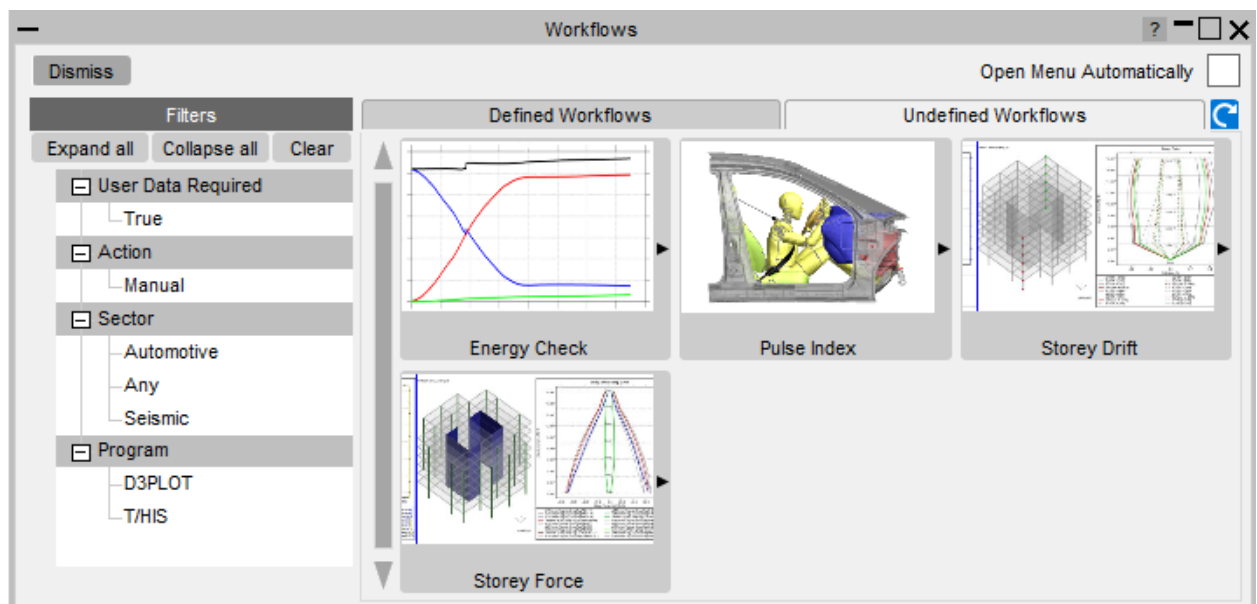


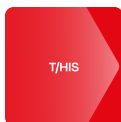
In both D3PLOT and T/HIS, you have the option to automatically open the Workflow menu when reading a model that has associated workflow data, by selecting the **Open Menu Automatically** tick box at the top-right corner of the panel.

If there is more than one model in memory and multiple models have the same Workflow associated with them, the individual Workflow buttons in the **Defined Workflows** pane will have a drop-down option to select for which models you wish to run the Workflow (see example below). You can select a single model or multiple models. The maximum and minimum number of models you can use in a Workflow is defined by the Minimum Multiple Models and Maximum Multiple Models parameters in the Workflow Definition.



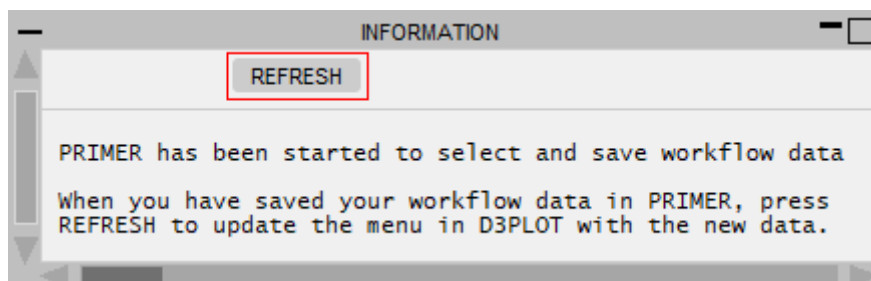
The **Undefined Workflows** tab shows all the workflows that can be run in T/HIS, but don't have the required user data to run them.





Selecting one of the workflows will open the model in PRIMER and start the workflow so you can select the required data.

In T/HIS a window will open telling you to press **REFRESH** when you have saved the data in PRIMER. This will update the workflow menu, moving the workflow to the **Defined Workflows** tab so it can be run in T/HIS.





10. FAST-TCF

10.1. FAST-TCF Overview

FAST-TCF OVERVIEW

FAST-TCF is a scripting language for T/HIS. It is designed to be editable and backward-compatible with previous versions of T/HIS. From T/HIS 9.2, FAST-TCF scripts can be recorded and played back. The FAST-TCF scripts are plain text files, and are therefore easy to edit and manipulate.



10.1.1. New Features

NEW FEATURES

New Features for FAST-TCF version 11.0

Version 11 of T/HIS contains the following new FAST-TCF commands

- [Support for DISBOUT data component](#)
- [Support for PLLYOUT data components](#)
- ["style_m" command for setting curve styles by model](#)

New Features for FAST-TCF version 10.0

Version 10 of T/HIS contains the following new FAST-TCF commands

- [Support for TRHIST data components](#)
- [Support for CPM_SENSOR data components](#)
- [New wildcard options for specifying curve tags](#)
- [Ouputting a range of curves to curve file](#)

New Features for FAST-TCF version 9.4

Version 9.4 of T/HIS contains the following new FAST-TCF commands

- [Support for DBFSI data components](#)
- [Support for TPRINT data components](#)
- [New "plot setup" commands](#)
- [New curve style options](#)

New Features for FAST-TCF version 9.3

Because of the multiple graphs and pages available in T/HIS 9.3 additional commands have been added to FAST-TCF 93 to define and position graphs and to generate multiple images containing one or more graphs. Because of these new commands version 9.3 FAST-TCF scripts generated by T/HIS can not be used in previous releases.

- [New commands have been added for generating and positioning multiple graphs and pages.](#)
- [New commands for generating images containing multiple graphs and pages.](#)
- [New variables have been added for accessing the output values of the ERR command.](#)
- [New built in variables "\\$run_nameN", "\\$run_titleN" and "\\$run_dirN" for multiple models.](#)
- [New built in variable "\\$FTCF_PATH"](#)

New Features for FAST-TCF version 9.2



FAST-TCF has been extensively revised to include almost all of the T/HIS commands. The improved functionality does mean that old scripts may have to be changed to meet the new standards.

NOTE: FAST-TCF is not 100% compatible with pre-version 9.1 input scripts:

- [Variables have changed to allow more flexibility, but the old rule for filenames \(word1 + word2\) has now been discontinued, filenames must all be one word](#)
- [Rigidwall command must now have "n" for the xtf file output \(rather than nothing at all\)](#)
- [Shell and Solid effective strain must have the fourth word "eff" to distinguish them from other types of strain that have been added](#)
- [No FAST-TCF defaults for plot setup - defaults are now the T/HIS standard ones](#)

New features since version 9.1:

- [Reading of keyword, csv, csv2, and bulk data files, keyboard entry](#)
- [Operation commands "order", "cat", "r_ave", "stress", "logx", "logx10", "translate", "vector2D", "window"](#)
- [Variables are processed on a line by line basis](#)
- [Variables can be defined using curve properties - for example a variable could be set to equal max of a curve, and then used to divide another curve](#)
- [Continuation lines added - defined using a "\" at the very end of a line](#)
- [Tabulation commands "yatmax" and "yatmin" added for Y values at maximum and minimum X](#)
- [All extraction commands are supported: Boundary, Geo contacts, FSI, Joints, SPH, Thick shells and so on](#)
- [All the missing components for previous data types are now supported](#)
- [Multiple data extraction on one line e.g. "node 100:last acc X"](#)
- [Multiple generic tagging and labeling of output curves using wildcard "*"](#)
- [Multiple curves can be operated upon in one line e.g. "oper ADD acc_* 10.0"](#)
- [Multiple curves can be plotted using wildcards "*" in tag names](#)
- [Integration point output can be changed](#)
- [Multiple models supported](#)
- [Extended plotting syntax for setting up plot defaults \(grid colours, offsets, fonts and so on\)](#)
- ["Tabc" command for writing out tabulation data to a csv file](#)
- ["plot" and "auto" commands added for use in interactive playback mode](#)
- [macro support for running FAST-TCF files on specific curves](#)



10.2. FAST-TCF Introduction

10.2.1. General Rules

General Rules

1. **Each line** in the input file defines **one** data extraction or plot request
2. Long lines can be split into shorter ones using a continuation character "\" at the end of each line
3. **Space characters** are used to **divide the line into 'words'**
4. The input script is NOT case-sensitive.
5. Unless detailed elsewhere in this manual, the first few (usually three) characters of the first word on the line discriminate the request of a particular entity, and the syntax which applies to reading in the remaining words on the line
6. If the first word on the line is not recognised, the program ignores it - it is treated as a comment
7. The last words on the data extraction request lines allow [options](#) for filtering, Y-axis scaling, HIC, average and a short reference tag (The tags may be used for operation and plotting requests)
8. The last words on the plotting request line allow [options](#) for title, line style and axis changes
9. A successful data extraction always has a curve outputted, if there is no output (e.g. HIC, ERR) then a duplicate curve is outputted. This helps with tagging output curves



10.2.2. Running FAST-TCF

Running FAST-TCF

Automatic running

FAST-TCF is integrated into the T/HIS executable and can be accessed from the command line or SHELL.

Command line syntax:

```
<this executable> -tcf=<FAST-TCF input file> -start_in=<start directory> -exit-batch <thf file name>
```

e.g. `this93.exe -tcf=side_impact.tcf -start_in=e:\side_impact\run1 -exit run1.thf`

The <thf file file>, -start_in, -exit and -batch syntax are all optional.

NOTES:

- If no THF file is specified then T/HIS will search the directory for the latest one (*.thf).
- If no THF file exists, then T/HIS will look for a d3thdt file (xtf file = xtf file).
- If this does not exist then no thf or xtf input filename is passed to FAST-TCF, and the input file is defaulted to ASCII
- The program runs in any directory you like (via the -start_in command line option). The FAST-TCF output files are created in that directory, and files written out are relative to that directory.

Instead of opening a single model multiple models can be read using the command line option

```
<this executable> -tcf=<FAST-TCF input file> -start_in=<start directory> -exit-batch -model_list=<file name>
```

The -model_list expects a text file with a list of filenames (1 per line) to read into model slots within T/HIS.

```
e.g  e:\side_impact\run1\run1.thf
      e:\side_impact\run2\run2.thf
      e:\side_impact\run3\run3.thf
      e:\side_impact\run4\run4.thf
```

SHELL operation:



In SHELL, click the **Options...** button below the T/HIS icon. Select the input data file, FAST-TCF input script and any other required options as necessary. Press **Run** at the bottom of the panel to launch T/HIS and automatically run the FAST-TCF script.

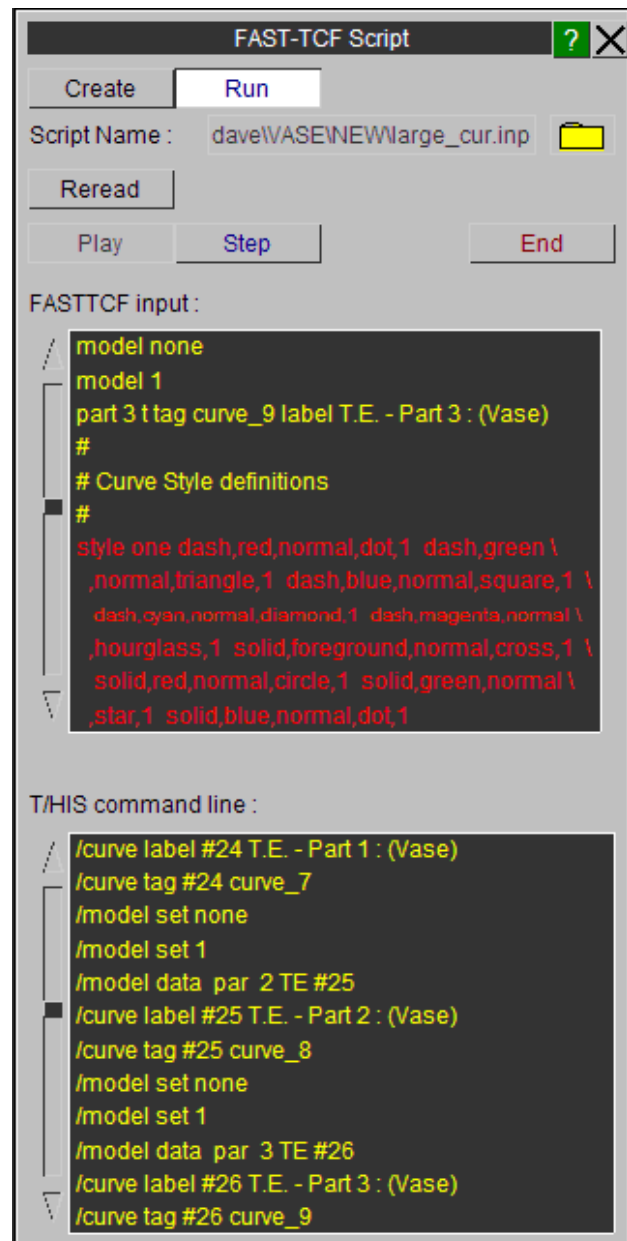
Interactive running

In the Tools menu within T/HIS, select the FAST-TCF option, then click on the **Run** tab in the sub-menu that appears. This brings up the following menu:

The user can select the script file then with play the whole file through, or step through each command one by one.

The FAST-TCF line appears in the top dialogue box, and the translated T/HIS line appears in the bottom box. The line about to be sent to T/HIS appears in red text.

To end the script prematurely, hit the **End** button.



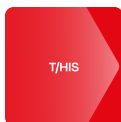


10.2.3. Input Files Needed, and Output and Intermediate Files Created

Input Files Needed, and Output and Intermediate Files Created

1. ***input_script*** is **required** at the start.
2. *input_script*.output is a file that contains the concatenated output from FAST-TCF.
3. *input_script*.tmp is a temporary file that FAST-TCF creates for translation. This is merged after completion into *input_script*.output so if you see this file then FAST-TCF didn't finish cleanly.
4. *input_script*.rep is a temporary report file of the FAST-TCF run. This is merged after completion into *input_script*.output so if you see this file then FAST-TCF didn't finish cleanly.
5. *input_script*.tcf are the commands passed to T/HIS from FAST-TCF. This is merged after completion into *input_script*.output so if you see this file then FAST-TCF didn't finish cleanly. The command lines contain special characters such as \r, \m and \l. These are used internally in T/HIS and should be ignored by the user.
6. *input_script*.sngval contains summaries of every curve outputted.

Other files will be made, such as postscript or bitmap plots, but these will have names specified by the user.



10.2.4. Debugging FAST-TCF Files

Debugging FAST-TCF files

Complicated FAST-TCF files will inevitably go wrong. There are a number of things the user can do to help identify where it is going wrong. Assuming the command line syntax is correct and the correct files are in the run directory, these typical procedures are as follows:

Identifying errors using the interactive playback option in T/HIS:

- Read the model(s) into T/HIS.
- Read the FAST-TCF script into T/HIS under the "FAST-TCF > Run" sub menu.
- Step through the FAST-TCF script manually, keeping an eye on how FAST-TCF is translating the lines, and the output T/HIS is producing.

Identifying if FAST-TCF has found an error:

- If FAST-TCF finds an error, then it is stored and T/HIS then resets the command line and continues to translate the input file. If 10 errors are found then T/HIS will stop at this line. You can set this error amount internally within FAST-TCF.
- Once T/HIS has stopped, the errors are summarised in the command line box and the terminal that T/HIS was run from. The number of warnings found is also printed.
- It should be obvious what is wrong, FAST-TCF checks numerous things, including:
 - Whether T/HIS created the curve from the previous line.
 - That the syntax is correct for all the data input lines (the data extraction requests have additional checking to check the combinations of words inputted is right).
 - If the syntax is correct, whether it applies to the file being requested for output.
 - The output file exists in the directory for the data extraction.
- Correct the input line error utilising the reference tables in this document if applicable.

Identifying what errors T/HIS is giving:

- Identify how many curves were outputted into T/HIS before things went wrong (run T/HIS in graphical mode).
- Place an exit keyword **after the next** input line. This should stop T/HIS just after the line which is causing the file to fail.
- Check what errors T/HIS is giving out. If it's not obvious what went wrong then try another procedure.

Identifying if there are warnings or errors from FAST-TCF:



- The errors are summarised once T/HIS has finished. They are printed in the command line box and the terminal which T/HIS was run from.
- There will be a *input_file* .rep or *input_file* .output file in the directory which contains any warnings or errors that FAST-TCF has detected. Make sure nothing is obviously wrong with the input file using this report file.
- The *input_file*.tmp or *input_file* .output file contains the actual file inputted into FAST-TCF after includes have been found and special characters removed. Check this is correct and all the include files have been accounted for.

Identifying if FAST-TCF is processing the line correctly:

- It's possible that FAST-TCF has processed the line incorrectly. If so, open the *input_file* .tcf or *input_file* .output file to investigate what FAST-TCF is asking T/HIS to do.
- Identify which line is going wrong using the above procedure, and then find this section in the .tcf file. Input the entire tcf request for the line into the T/HIS command box to step through what is being asked from T/HIS. This may highlight where things are going wrong. The command lines contain special characters such as \r, \m and \l. These are used internally in T/HIS and should be ignored by the user.

Using PRIMER to check a FAST-TCF file:

- PRIMER has a FAST-TCF Check menu under the main Check menu. This can be used to check the FAST-TCF file data requests against a certain keyword deck.
- Read the deck into PRIMER, and select **Model** > **Check** > **FAST-TCF**. Select the FAST-TCF file and press **Apply**. Details can be found in [the PRIMER manual](#).
- PRIMER will highlight any errors that have occurred with the input file with regards to the keyword deck.
- The main PRIMER checks are if the line syntax is valid, whether the correct file is being outputted, whether the relevant DATABASE_HISTORY is present and whether the id. actually exists.
- Any errors will have to be corrected manually in PRIMER.

NOTE: If FAST-TCF has completed, then it may be necessary to open the *input_file* .output file which has the all the output files concatenated together in different sections.



10.2.5. Creating FAST-TCF Files

Creating FAST-TCF files

The most obvious option is to generate a FAST-TCF script using a text editor such as vim or wordpad. However, an easier option is to use T/HIS as normal, then generate a FAST-TCF script to recreate the curves currently displayed on the screen from within T/HIS.

It involves a single button click to produce a FAST-TCF script that can recreate the plot on the screen.

T/HIS internally stores the history behind each curve; noting which curves, operations and data requests were used to create each curve. This means that the user **does not** have to start recording a command file, and carefully record a script. Instead the user can work for as long as they like as normal, then choose to generate a FAST-TCF script to recreate the plot on the screen by using the FAST-TCF Create menu.

By default the FAST-TCF script that is generated will contain commands to reproduce all of the graphs that are currently defined in T/HIS. Instead of reproducing all of the graphs the FAST-TCF script can also contain the commands to generate a subset of pages or graphs.

FAST-TCF Script

Create Run

Apply

Script Name : ion93\\this93\\Debug\\default.inp

Generate for

- ☒ All Pages
- ☐ Current Page
- ☐ Only Page 1
- ☐ All Graphs
- ☐ All Active Graphs
- ☐ Only Graph 1

FASTTCF Script : Image Output ☒

Format : 8 bit BMP (Compressed)

Filename : script_output.bmp

FASTTCF Script : Curve Output

Filename : script_output.cur

- ☐ Unblanked Curves
- ☐ Select Curves ...

FASTTCF Script : Curve Group Output ☒

- ☒ All Curve Groups
- ☐ Select Curve Groups ...

FAST-TCF Script : Image Output

This option can be used to add the commands to the FAST-TCF script to generate an image of each graph/page that is selected for output. In addition to selecting the image format a filename can also be specified that is used in the FAST-TCF script as the output filename for images.



FAST-TCF Script : Curve Output

This option can be used to add commands to the FAST-TCF script to write curves out to a T/HIS curve file. By default this option will add commands to the FAST-TCF script write any curves that are unblanked in a graph to a curve file. Instead of writing all of the unblanked curves out to a file the **Select Curves** option can be used to select a subset of curves.

FAST-TCF Script : Curve Group Output

This option can be used to select additional curves for output to the FAST-TCF script by curve group. If a curve is selected that is also unblanked in one of the graphs the command to regenerate it are only added to the FAST-TCF script once. This option will also add the commands to regenerate the selected curve groups to the FAST-TCF script.



10.3. Page/Graph Layout and Selection

PAGE / GRAPH LAYOUT AND SELECTION

FAST-TCF scripts can contain commands to create and position multiple graphs. T/HIS Pages can also be created and graphs moved between pages. By default T/HIS will automatically create a single graph on the 1st 'Page' when it starts. If a single graph is required then the script does not need to contain any of the commands in this section. If additional graphs are required then by default they will be created on the 1st Page unless multiple pages have been selected.

Keyword	2nd word	3rd word	4th word	5th word	6th word	7th word	8th word	9th word	notes
Layout	page	wide	-	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to tile wide
		tall	-	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to tile tall
		cascade	-	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to cascade
		1x1	-	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to 1 by 1 graphs per page
		2x2	-	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to 2 by 2 graphs per page
		3x3	-	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to 3 by 3 graphs per page
		XY	m	n	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to (m) by (n) graphs per page
		custom	-	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page layout to custom
		n	all	-	-	-	-	-	Add all graphs to page (n)

		n	none	-	-	-	-	-	Remove all graphs from page (n)
		n	add	graph	ID	-	-	-	Add graph (ID) to page (n)
		n	remove	graph	ID	-	-	-	Remove graph (ID) from page (n)
		size	m	n	-	-	-	-	Set the page size to m by n pixels
		size	auto	-	-	-	-	-	Set the page size to automatic
	graph	total	n	-	-	-	-	-	Set the total number of graphs to (n)
		create	-	-	-	-	-	-	Create a new graph
		delete	all	-	-	-	-	-	Deletes all graphs except the first one.
		delete	n	-	-	-	-	-	Delete graph (n)
		position	n	x1,y1	x2,y2	-	-	-	Position graph (n) with the bottom left hand corner at screen location (x1,y1) and the top right hand corner at (x2,y2). All coordinates should be in the range 0.0 to 1.0.
		select	all	-	-	-	-	-	Select all graphs
		select	n	-	-	-	-	-	Select graph (n)
		select	none	-	-	-	-	-	Deselect all graphs

		n	axes	position	left	right	top	bottom	Set the position of the left, right, top and bottom axis for graph (n). The positions given should be in the range 0.0 to 1.0 or the word 'Auto'.
		n / all	legend	position	left	right	top	bottom	Set the position of the left, right, top and bottom of the legend for graph (n) or all graphs. The positions given should be in the range 0.0 to 1.0 or the word 'Auto'
		n / all	legend	nfpos	position				Set the non-floating (docked) legend position for graph (n) or all graphs. The position should be within the range $0.0 < \text{position} < 1.0$.
		n / all	legend	format	<type>	-	-	-	Set the legend format to one of <i>column/default</i> , <i>full/off</i> , <i>automatic</i> , <i>floating</i> for graph (n)

		n / all	legend	columns	m	-	-	-	Set the number of columns in the legend to m (1 to 3) for graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	legend	background	standard colour	-	-	-	Set a background colour for the floating legend for graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	legend	transparency	integer (0-100)	-	-	-	Set the background transparency for the floating legend for graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	x	format	<type>	-	-	-	Set the x axis unit format to one of <i>automatic</i> , <i>general</i> , <i>scientific</i> for graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	y	format	<type>	-	-	-	Set the y axis unit format to one of <i>automatic</i> , <i>general</i> , <i>scientific</i> for graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	y2	format	<type>	-	-	-	Set the second y axis unit format to one of <i>automatic</i> , <i>general</i> , <i>scientific</i> for



									graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	x	precision	m	-	-	-	Set the number of decimal places displayed for the x axis values to (m) in graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	y	precision	m	-	-	-	Set the number of decimal places displayed for the y axis values to (m) in graph (n) or all graphs
		n / all	y2	precision	m	-	-	-	Set the number of decimal places displayed for the second y axis values to (m) in graph (n) or all graphs



10.4. Input Syntax to Load Other Files

INPUT SYNTAX TO LOAD OTHER FILES

FAST-TCF has the option of reading in curve files and other FAST-TCF files nested within the input file. T/HIS now writes out and reads in curve styles and internal tags. FAST-TCF recognizes these tags if the user wishes to refer to them later on in the input file. If they are relative then the include files must be relative to where T/HIS is running from.

Filenames can contain spaces, but if they do then they **must** be enclosed in quotes

e.g. read "c:\my documents\filename.cur".

Description	keyword	second word	third word onwards	notes
Bulk data	readb	bulk data file	-	curves will be read in at this point in the file, and will be numbered accordingly
CSV 1 (X,Y,X,Y...)	readcsv	csv file	lr <row number containing line labels>	Subsequent words can be any of these 2 options. If no options then assumes reading x from column 1 and no labels.
			ar <row number containing axis labels>	
CSV 2 (X,Y,Y,Y...)	readcsv2	csv file type 2	xg <x start value> <x interval>	Subsequent words can be any of the 3rd word options. Only one of the options XG and XC can be used. If no options then assumes reading x from column 1 and no labels.
			xc <x values column number>	
			lr <row number containing line labels>	
			ar <row number containing axis labels>	
T/HIS Curve file	rea	curve name	-	curves will be read in at this point in the file, and will be numbered accordingly curve tags and styles are stored automatically through the \$TAG and \$STYLE lines NOTE: If the tag in the curve file conflicts with an existing tag, the tag is NOT read in

Keyword	readk	keyword filename	-	curves will be read in at this point in the file, and will be numbered accordingly	
FAST-TCF Include	inc	include filename	-	FAST-TCF will search for includes within includes etc FAST-TCF pastes the include files into the final input file as soon as they are detected	
LS-PrePost Curve file	readlspost	filename	-	Reads in curves from an LS-PREPOST curve file	
LS-PrePost XY data file	readlsp_xy	filename	-	Reads in curves from an LS-PREPOST XY data file	
DIAdem	read_diadem	header file filename	<channel number to read> OR "<channel name to read>" (must use quotes)	subsequent words can be either of these 2 options	
				xg <x start value> <x interval>	Only one of these 2 options can be used
				xc <channel containing x-axis>	
JavaScript	java	JavaScript filename	-	Runs a JavaScript. If any curves created by the JavaScript are referenced by following command in the FAST-TCF script then the JavaScript should generate curves tags for the curves whih ccan then be used in the FAST-TCF script.	

Keyboard entry can also be added into the FAST-TCF file, allowing for simple curves to be created in T/HIS. The keyword for this is **keyboard**. The order of the following words is important, and must be adhered to (see below). The continuation line character is useful here "\".

Keyword	following word	following word	notes
Keyboard	xaxis	x axis name	specifies the x axis label
	yaxis	y axis name	specifies the y axis label
	label	curve label	specifies the curve label



	data	xval,yval xval2,yval2 xval3, yval3 etc	no space between the x and y values, only a space between the pairs of values

for example, to create an acceleration curve with a straight line at value 1.0:

**keyboard title straight line \ xaxis time \ yaxis accn \ label straight line at 1.0 \
data 0.000000,1.000000 \ 1.000000,1.000000**



10.5. Input for Data Extraction Requests

INPUT FOR DATA EXTRACTION REQUESTS

Each data extraction request occupies one line, with the 'words' on the line separated by space characters.

The line starts with a keyword and the required arguments follow, then any optional requests can occur after the arguments (see later on in the manual).

ID can be a number **or a name** (enclosed in quotes ""), depending on whether the Ansys LS-DYNA version supports it in the relevant output file.

When writing out FAST-TCF scripts from T/HIS, there is an option in the 'Create' panel to write entity names (when they exist) in place of numeric IDs into any generated script.

Multiple data requests

T/HIS 9.2 onwards supports multiple data output syntax. T/HIS will read the data in one file pass, making it much quicker for larger runs. To use this in FAST-TCF you need to specify the range using a colon (:) and it must be in a single word. As well as the standard numbers you can use, there are some special words namely "all", "first" and "last" (see example).

e.g.	whole_model te	lsda
	(whole model)	(total energy)
	(node extraction)	(force lsda file)
	node 42	force y_dir
	(i.d. 42)	(force in y-direction)
	node "end of roof"	accel z
	(i.d. "end of roof")	(z acceleration)
	node 100:last	force y_dir
	(all nodes from 100)	(force in y-direction)
	node all	force y_dir
	(all nodes)	(force in y-direction)

Potential Speedup for data extraction



In some situations, it may be possible to speedup the data extraction routines for FAST-TCF. A simple but effective change can be made to the FAST-TCF script such that it improves the efficiency of data extraction by an order of N items.

An example can be seen below trying to extract various nodes, tag them and then label it.

```
node 6600000 b y tag by6600000 label by6600000
node 6600001 b y tag by6600001 label by6600001
node 6600002 b y tag by6600002 label by6600002
node 6600003 b y tag by6600003 label by6600003
node 6600004 b y tag by6600004 label by6600004
```

While these are perfectly valid FAST-TCF lines and will parse correctly, these can be rewritten into:

```
node 6600000 b y tag by6600000
node 6600001 b y tag by6600001
node 6600002 b y tag by6600002
node 6600003 b y tag by6600003
node 6600004 b y tag by6600004
label by6600000 by6600000
label by6600002 by6600002
label by6600003 by6600003
label by6600004 by6600004
```

Externally, to a real person, these lines can be seen as equivalent to the first example. However, internally, it's another matter. In the first example, T/HIS would instead have to process the first line, come out of the reading loop and then back into it again to parse the second line and so on until completion. The change effectively allows T/HIS to bundle all of the "node" commands together, allowing them to be read in a singular, much more efficient pass and then apply the labels after this data extraction has been completed.

In this example, "label" is the additional option that has been given to the read line, however this would be the case for any other additional option. Unfortunately it's important to note that this means that the speedup will only work if the read line does not contain any additional options on it and the read commands are placed together like in the example. Any additional options that you may have must be separated from the read commands like the example above to work.

The speedup gained is directly linked with the number of items that are being read in so while you would see some gain for a small number of items, the speedup is much more noticeable when handling a large number of items.



10.5.1. Selecting Models

Selecting Models

If T/HIS contains more than one model the data extraction commands will attempt to read data from all the model that are currently selected. To specify which model to read data from the following commands can be used

Keyword	second word	notes
model	n	Select model "n" for reading data from
	all	Select all models for reading data from
	none	Unselect all models



10.5.2. Data Extraction Options

Data Extraction options

Specifying Files for data extraction

For some Ansys LS-DYNA data types results can be extracted from multiple files. By default FAST-TCF scripts will extract data from the default T/HIS file type for each entity type (see [Data Sources](#)). These defaults can be changed via the [preference file](#).

Instead of using the default file any of the valid files types can be specified by using either the [define file](#) keyword (e.g. define file LSDA) or by adding an [extra line option](#). When this occurs, FAST-TCF will take the extraction request from the specified type of file - **but only if T/HIS allows it**.

Keyword	second word	third word	notes
define	file	lsda	will always check that T/HIS can get the output from this file, if not then the original default file will be chosen (see data extraction table). This file can still be overwritten on the actual input line
		ascii	
		xtf	
		thf	
		default	

e.g. `node 42 displacement x`
(read data from default file)
`define file LSDA`
`node 42 displacement x`
(read data from LSDA file)
`node 42 displacement x ASCII`
(read data from ASCII file)

Specifying components for Steady State Dynamics (SSD) analysis

For a SSD analysis Ansys LS-DYNA generates 2 data values, an amplitude and an angle, for each component in the NODOUT and ELOUT parts of the LSDA (binout) file. By default FAST-TCF will extract the amplitude for each data component but this can be changed if required to extract the angle value.

Keyword	second word	third word	notes
define	ssd_comp	amplitude	selects the amplitude value for all following data requests
		angle	selects the angle value for all following data requests



e.g. define ssd_comp angle

(read angle value for all SSD analysis data components)

define ssd_comp amplitude

(read amplitude value for all SSD analysis data components)



10.5.3. Defining Groups of Parts

Defining Groups of Parts

Description	keyword	second word	following words
Group definition	gdef	group id	part ids
Add parts to group	gadd	group id	part ids

1. The line starts with 'gdef' or 'gadd' and is followed by an integer for the group i.d, and then part i.d. numbers separated by spaces, or for a range of parts - separated by a ':'.
2. No options should be applied to this card, because all the words on the line are written out as integers.
3. The input is on one line (which may result in a long line ...). If the line is too long (currently ~1000 characters) T/HIS will truncate the command and issue an error message. The 'gadd' command is useful if the 'gdef' command is too long to create a group on a single line.

e.g.

gdef 1	1 2 3 4	10:20 30:40
(group define i.d. 1)	(parts 1 2 3 and 4)	(parts 10 to 20 and 30 to 40)
gadd 1	5 6 7 8	50:60
(group add i.d.	(parts 5 6 7 and 8)	(parts 50 to 60)



10.5.4. Specifying Surfaces, Integration Points and Nodal Locations for Data Extraction

Specifying Surfaces, Integration Points and Nodal Locations for data extraction

Specifying Surfaces and Integration Points

From T/HIS 12.0 onwards, the syntax for specifying which surface or integration point to read data from for Shells, Thick Shells and Beams has changed. These options are now appended to data extraction as follows.

Shells and Thick Shells

extra word #1	extra word #2	notes
surface	top	If no surface option is specified then the default (middle) surface will be used.
	middle	
	bottom	
	n	

e.g. `shell 99 stress xx tag curve_1`

(read x stress for shell 99 middle surface)

`shell 99 stress xx surface top tag curve_1`

(read x stress for shell 99 top surface)

`shell 99 stress xx surface 3 tag curve_1`

(read x stress for shell 99 layer 3)

Beams

extra word #1	extra word #2	notes
ipoint	n	Specifies the beam integration point to read data from

e.g. `beam 99 stress x ipoint 1 tag curve_1`

(read axial stress for beam 99 integration point 1)

Specifying in-plane integration points for Shells and Thick Shells

In recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is possible to write out data at multiple in-plane integration points for fully integrated Shells and Thick Shells for each through thickness layer.



For fully integrated solid elements data can also be written out for all 8 integration points.

By default T/HIS will automatically read the average value for each element. If the element isn't fully integrated then the data for the 1st point will be used, if it is fully integrated and has multiple integration points then the average value will be calculated.

extra word #1	extra word #2	notes
ipoint	n	Specifies the in-plane integration point to read data from. If this option isn't specified then the surface centre value will be selected. If the element is fully integrated then the average value will be calculated from all 4 in-plane values

e.g. `shell 99 stress xx tag curve_1`

(read x stress for shell 99 middle surface, centre value)

`shell 99 stress xx ipoint 1 tag curve_1`

(read x stress for shell 99 middle surface in-plane integration point 1)

`shell 99 stress xx surface middle ipoint 1 tag curve_1`

(read x stress for shell 99 middle surface in-plane integration point 1)

`shell 99 stress xx surface 5 ipoint 2 tag curve_1`

(read x stress for shell 99 layer 5 in-plane integration point 2)

Specifying integration points for Solids

In recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is possible to write out data at all 8 integration points or fully integrated solid elements.

By default T/HIS will automatically read the average value for each element. If the element isn't fully integrated then the data for the 1st point will be used, if it is fully integrated and has multiple integration points then the average value will be calculated.

extra word #1	extra word #2	notes
ipoint	n	Specifies the solid integration point to read data from. If this option isn't specified then the centre value will be selected. If the element is fully integrated then the average value will be calculated from all 8 values

e.g. `solid 99 stress xx tag curve_1`

(read x stress for solid 99 centre value)



```
solid 99 stress xx ipoint 1 tag curve_1
```

(read x stress for solid 99 integration point 1)

Selecting data at element nodal positions

In recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is possible to write out data for Solid, Shells and Thick Shells that has been extrapolated from the integration points to the elements nodes.

For Shells the values at all through thickness layers can be extrapolated to the nodes. For Thick Shells the bottom surface values are extrapolated to nodes 1-4 and the top surface values are extrapolated to nodes 5-8.

extra word #1	extra word #2	notes
node	n	Specifies the element node number to read data for

e.g. `shell 99 stress xx node 3`

(read x stress for shell 99 middle surface extrapolated to node 3)

```
shell 99 stress xx surface 5 node 1 tag curve_1
```

(read x stress for shell 99 layer 5 extrapolated to node 1)

```
tshell 99 stress xx node 7 tag curve_1
```

(read x stress for thick shell 99 top surface extrapolated to node 7)

```
solid 99 stress xx node 4 tag curve_1
```

(read x stress for solid 99 extrapolated to node4)



10.5.5. Data Extraction Reference Table

Data extraction reference table

Data type	Keyword	Second word	Third word	Fourth word	Description
Airbag	air	Airbag id	[pr]essure	-	pressure
			[vo]lume	-	volume
			[ie]	-	internal energy
			[in]	-	mass flow rate in
			[ou]	-	mass flow rate out
			min	-	mass in
			mou	-	mass out
			[tm]	-	total mass
			[de]nsity	-	Density
			sa	-	Surface area
			[te]mp	-	Gas temperature
			rf	-	Reaction force
			maf	-	Mass flow rate through fabric
			mav	-	Mass flow rate through vent
			mof	-	Mass out through fabric
			mov	-	Mass out through vent
			tk	-	Translational Kinetic Energy
			dmp	-	Damping Energy
			pp	-	Average Particle Pressure
			if	-	Inflator Energy
Airbag CPM Part Data (ABSTAT_CPM)	ab_cpm_ pa	Airbag id	Part id	[pr]essure	Pressure
				maf	Mass flow rate through fabric
				mav	Mass flow rate through vent
				ta	Total area
				[un]blocke d	Unblocked area



				[te]mperat ure	Temperature
				ppr	Press s+
				npr	Press s-
				hc	Heat Convection Energy
				ev	Enhanced Vent Flag
				le	Leak Energy
				gas	Gas Flow Rate
				pvo	Por Volume
				pte	Part Temperature
Airbag CV Part Data (ABSTAT)	ab_cv_pa	Airbag id	Part id	[un]blocke d	Unblocked area
				ba	Blocked area
				lk	Leakage
Airbag Chamber Data (ABSTAT_CHAM BER)	ab_cham ber	Airbag id	Part id	[pr]essure	Pressure
				[vo]lume	Volume
				[de]nsity	Density
				ie	Internal Energy
				in	Mass flow rate in
				[ou]t	Mass flow rate out
				tm	Total mass
				sa	Surface area
				[te]mperat ure	Temperature
				rf	Reaction Force
				tr	Translational Energy
				np	Number of Particles
				pp	Average Particle Pressure
Airbag Sensors (CPM_SENSOR)	ab_senso r	Sensor id	xc	-	X coord
			yc	-	Y coord
			zc	-	Z coord
			vx	-	X Velocity
			vy	-	Y Velocity
			vz	-	Z Velocity

			vm	-	Velocity Magnitude
			[pr]essure	-	pressure
			[de]nsity	-	Density
			[te]mp	-	Gas temperature
			np	-	N Particles
Beam	Bea	Beam id	[n]ormal	x	Axial force
				y	Shear force in Y
				z	Shear force in Z
			[m]oment	y	Moment in Y
				z	Moment in Z
				x	Torsional moment
			[stra]in	-	Axial strain
			[e]nergy	p1	Bending energy: end 1
				p2	Bending energy: end 2
			[r]otation	y1	Y rotation: end 1
				y2	Y rotation: end 2
				z1	Z rotation: end 1
				z2	Z rotation: end 2
				x	Torsional rotation
			[b]ending	y1	Y Bending moment: end 1
				y2	Y Bending moment: end 2
				z1	Z Bending moment: end 1
				z2	Z Bending moment: end 2
			[e]nergy	a	Axial collapse energy
				i	Internal energy
			[stre]ss	x	Axial stress
				xy	XY Shear stress
				zx	ZX Shear stress
			[eff]	-	Effective plastic strain
			[exx]	-	Axial strain
			[e]xtra	##	Extra data ##
			[di]screte	dx	Relative Axial displacement



				dy	Relative S - Displacement
				dz	Relative T - Displacement
				rx	Axial rotation
				ry	Rotation in S
				rz	Rotation in T
				na	Relative Axial force
				ns	Resultant S - Force
				nt	Resultant T - Force
				ma	Axial moment
				ms	Moment in S
				mt	Moment in T
				axx	Axial Direction X
				axy	Axial Direction Y
				axz	Axial Direction Z
				sx	S - Direction X
				sy	S - Direction Y
				sz	S - Direction Z
				tx	T - Direction X
				ty	T - Direction Y
				tz	T - Direction Z
Bearing	bear	Bearing id	[fx]	-	X Force
			[fy]	-	Y Force
			[fz]	-	Z Force
			[mx]	-	X Moment
			[my]	-	Y Moment
			[mz]	-	Z Moment
			[dx]	-	X Displacement
			[dy]	-	Y Displacement
			[dz]	-	Z Displacement
			[ax]	-	X Angle
			[ay]	-	Y Angle
			[az]	-	Z Angle
			[lfx]	-	Local X Force
			[lfy]	-	Local Y Force
			[lfz]	-	Local Z Force
			[lmx]	-	Local X Moment
			[lmy]	-	Local Y Moment
			[lmz]	-	Local Z Moment



			[ldx]	-	Local X Displacement
			[ldy]	-	Local Y Displacement
			[ldz]	-	Local Z Displacement
			[lax]	-	Local X Angle
			[lay]	-	Local Y Angle
			[laz]	-	Local Z Angle
Boundary	Bou	Boundary id	[n]odal loads	fx	Applied X Force
				fy	Applied Y Force
				fz	Applied Z Force
				fm	Applied Resultant force
				e	Energy from applied force
			[r]igid body loads	fx	Applied X Force
				fy	Applied Y Force
				fz	Applied Z Force
				fm	Applied Resultant force
				e	Energy from applied force
			[p]ressure nodal loads	fx	Applied X Force
				fy	Applied Y Force
				fz	Applied Z Force
				fm	Applied Resultant force
				e	Energy from applied force
			[rv]elocity r-body loads	fx	BC motion X Force
				fy	BC motion Y Force
				fz	BC motion Z Force
				fm	Resultant BC motion force
				en	Energy from BC motion
				mx	BC motion X Moment
				my	BC motion Y Moment
				mz	BC motion Z Moment



				mm	BC Moment Magnitude
				fx	BC motion X Force
				fy	BC motion Y Force
				fz	BC motion Z Force
				fm	Resultant BC motion force
CESE Element or Point	cese_el / cese_pt	Element / Point id	[v]elocity nodal loads	e	Energy from BC motion
				x	Current X coord
				y	Current Y coord
				z	Current Z coord
				m	Current Vector
			[ve]locity	x	X Velocity
				y	X Velocity
				z	Z Velocity
				m	Velocity Magnitude
			[vo]rticity	x	X Vorticity
				y	Y Vorticity
				z	Z Vorticity
				m	Vorticity Magnitude
			[d]ensity	-	Density
			[pr]essure	-	Pressure
			[t]emperatur e	-	Temperature
CESE FSI Drag	cese_fs	1=solid, 2=shell, 3=sol2D, 4=beam	[dr]ag	px	X Pressure Force
				py	Y Pressure Force
				pz	Z Pressure Force
				pm	Pressure Force Magnitude
CESE Segment Set Drag	cese_ss	Part id (0 if only one part requested)	[dr]ag	px	X Pressure Force
				py	Y Pressure Force
				pz	Z Pressure Force
				pm	Pressure Force Magnitude
				vx	X Viscous Force
				vy	Y Viscous Force
				vz	Z Viscous Force
				vm	Viscous Force Magnitude
Contact	Con / Sli	Contact id	[f]orce	area	Total Area
				xa	A Surface X force



				ya	A Surface Y force
				za	A Surface Z force
				ma	A Surface Force Magnitude
				xb	B Surface X force
				yb	B Surface Y force
				zb	B Surface Z force
				mb	B Surface Force Magnitude
			[mo]ment	xa	A Surface X moment
				ya	A Surface Y moment
				za	A Surface Z moment
				xb	B Surface X moment
				yb	B Surface Y moment
				zb	B Surface Z moment
			[ma]ss	a	A Surface Mass
				b	B Surface Mass
			[e]nergy	t	Total energy (A + B surface)
				a	A Surface side energy
				b	B Surface side energy
				f	Frictional energy
			[g]eometric	fx	X force
				fy	Y force
				fz	Z force
				fm	Force Magnitude
				mx	Moment in X
				my	Moment in Y
				mz	Moment in Z
				mm	Moment Magnitude
Cross section	Cro / Sec	Section id	[f]orce	x	X force
				y	Y force
				z	Z force

				m	Force Magnitude
			[m]oment	x	Moment in X
				y	Moment in Y
				z	Moment in Z
				m	Moment Magnitude
			[c]entroid	x	X centroid coord
				y	Y centroid coord
				z	Z centroid coord
			[a]rea	-	Area of section
EM Element, Node or Point	em_el / em_nd / em_pt	Element / Node / Point id	[co]ord	x	Current X coord
				y	Current Y coord
				z	Current Z coord
				m	Current Vector
			[cu]rrent	x	X Current
				y	Y Current
				z	Z Current
				m	Current Magnitude
			[a]field	x	X AField
				y	Y AField
				z	Z AField
				m	AField Magnitude
			[b]field	x	X BField
				y	Y BField
				z	Z BField
				m	BField Magnitude
			[e]field	x	X EField
				y	Y EField
				z	Z EField
				m	EField Magnitude
			[l]force	x	X Lorentz Force
				y	Y Lorentz Force
				z	Z Lorentz Force
				m	Lorentz Force Magnitude
			[si]gma	-	Sigma
			[m]ur	-	Mu-R
			[j]hrate	-	JHRate
			[sc]alp	-	Scalar Potential (Node only)
EM Circuit	em_ci	Circuit id	[v]oltage	-	voltage



			[ch]arge	-	charge
			[cu]rrent	-	current
			[d]resist	-	Circuit Resistance
			[j]resist	-	Equivalent Resistance
			[i]nduct	-	Inductance
			[mi1]	-	Mutual Inductance 1
			[mi2]	-	Mutual Inductance 2
			[mi3]	-	Mutual Inductance 3
EM Circuit0D	em_cd	Circuit0D id	[dv]oltage	-	voltage
			[dch]arge	-	charge
			[dcu]rrent	-	current
			[de]nergy	-	Total Energy
EM PartData	em_pd	PartData id	[x]lf	-	X Lorentz Force
			[y]lf	-	Y Lorentz Force
			[z]lf	-	Z Lorentz Force
			[ml]f	-	Lorentz Force Magnitude
			[j]he	-	Joule Heating Energy
			[mg]e	-	Magnetic Energy
			[k]te	-	Kinetic Energy
EM IsoPotOut	em_ip	IsoPotOut id	[v]oltage	-	voltage
			[c]urrent	-	current



EM CircuitRes	em_cr	CircuitRes id	[c]urc	-	Contact Current
			[r]esc	-	Contact Resistance
			[j]hrc	-	Contact Joule heat rate
			[a]reac	-	Contact Area
EM BoundaryOut	em_bo	BoundaryOut id	[v]oltage	-	Voltage
			[c]urrent	-	Current
			[a]rea	-	Area
EM IsoPotConnOut	em_ic	IsoPotConnOut id	[v]oltage	-	Voltage
			[ch]arge	-	Charge
			[cu]rrent	-	Current
			[r]esd	-	Contact Resistance
			[p]ower	-	Power
			[e]nergy	-	Energy
EM RandlesCell	em_rc	RandlesCell id	[to]tvoltage	-	TotVoltage
			[o]cv	-	OCV
			[d]ampvoltage	-	DampVoltage
			[cu]rrent	-	Current
			[so]c	-	SOC
			[f]uncsoc	-	SOCFunc
			[sh]iftsoc	-	SOCShift
			[su]msoc	-	SOCSum
			[r0]	-	R0



			[r1]0	-	R10
			[c1]0	-	C10
			[te]mp	-	Temp
			[ck]t_Number	-	Ckt Number
EM RandlesIntshortCell	em_ri	RandlesIntshortCell id	[m]xr	-	Maximum resistance
			[s]hc	-	Short circuits
			[toc]	-	Total circuits
			[tor]	-	Total resistance
			[a]rs	-	Area short
EM RogoCoil	em_ro	RogoCoil id	[v]c	-	Volume Current
			[s]c	-	Surface Current
			[m]f	-	Magnetic Field
EM Global	em_gl	Timestep id	[ru]n	-	Run timestep
			[cf]l	-	Condition timestep
			[rb]c	-	Ratio
		RandlesCellTot id	[to]tvoltage	-	TotVoltage
			[o]cv	-	OCV
			[d]ampvoltage	-	DampVoltage
			[cu]rrent	-	Current
			[so]c	-	SOC
			[f]uncsoc	-	SOCFunc
			[sh]iftsoc	-	SOCShift

			[su]msoc	-	SOCSum
			[r0]	-	R0
			[r1]0	-	R10
			[c1]0	-	C10
			[te]mp	-	Temp
			[vc2]	-	VC2
			[vc3]	-	VC3
			[r2]0	-	R20
			[r3]0	-	R30
			[c2]0	-	C20
			[c3]0	-	C30
		randlesCellTot En id	[ohp]	-	Ohm Heat Power
			[rhp]	-	Reversible Heat Power
			[ecp]	-	Equivalent Capacity Power
			[ohe]	-	Ohm heat energy
			[rhe]	-	Reversible heat energy
			[ece]	-	Equivalent Capacity energy
			[es]e	-	Equivalent storage energy
		GlobEnergy id	[ecj]h	-	Ext ckt Joule Heating
			[ecm]e	-	Ext ckt Magnetic Energy
			[ecc]e	-	Ext ckt Capacitor Energy
			[mj]h	-	Mesh conductor Joule Heating
			[mm]e	-	Mesh conductor Mag Energy



			[a]me	-	Air Magnetic Energy
			[te]e	-	Total EM Energy
			[tp]e	-	Total Plastic Energy
			[tk]e	-	Total kinetic Energy
		RandlesIntshort id	[ms]r	-	Maximum short resistance
			[n]sc	-	Number of short circuits
			[tn]c	-	Total number of circuits
			[tsr]	-	Total short resistance
		RandlesIntshortTot id	[tm]r	-	Maximum resistance
			[tsc]	-	Short circuits
			[ttc]	-	Total circuits
			[ttr]	-	Total resistance
			[ta]s	-	Area short
FSI	FSI	FSI id	[pr]essure	-	pressure
			[f]orce	x	X force
				y	Y force
				z	Z force
				m	Force Magnitude
			[po]rous	-	Porous Leakage
ICFD Drag	icfd_dr	Part id / -1 for average / 0 for	[dra]g	px	X Pressure Drag
				py	Y Pressure Drag
				pz	Z Pressure Drag

		sum or if only one part		pm	Pressure Drag Magnitude
				vx	X Viscous Drag
				vy	Y Viscous Drag
				vz	Z Viscous Drag
				vm	Viscous Drag Magnitude
				pmx	MX Pressure Drag
				pmy	MY Pressure Drag
				pmz	MZ Pressure Drag
				pmm	Pressure Drag Moment Magnitude
				vmx	MX Viscous Drag
				vmy	MY Viscous Drag
				vmz	MZ Viscous Drag
				vmm	Viscous Drag Moment Magnitude
ICFD Node or Point	icfd_nd / icfd_pt	Node / Point id	[c]oord	x	Current X coord
				y	Current Y coord
				z	Current Z coord
				m	Current Vector
			[ve]locity	x	X Velocity
				y	Y Velocity
				z	Z Velocity
				m	Velocity Magnitude
			[vo]rticity	x	X Vorticity
				y	Y Vorticity
				z	Z Vorticity
				m	Vorticity Magnitude
			[d]ensity	-	Density
			[pr]essure	-	Pressure
			[t]emperatur e	-	Temperature
ICFD Temp	icfd_th	Part id / 0 for sum or if only one part	[t_a]rea	average	Temperature Area Average
			[t_s]um	average	Temperature Sum Average
			[he]at	flux	Average Heat Flux
			[tot]al	area	Total Area



			[ht]c	-	Heat Transfer Coefficient
Joint	Joi	Joint id	[f]orce	x	X force
				y	Y force
				z	Z force
				m	Force Magnitude
			[m]oment	x	Moment in X
				y	Moment in Y
				z	Moment in Z
				m	Moment Magnitude
			*CONSTRAINED_JOINT_STIFFNESS_GENERALIZED		
			[ph]i	an	Phi angle
				dt	d(Phi)/dt
				st	Phi stiffness moment
				da	Phi damping moment
				to	Phi total moment
			[th]eta	an	Theta angle
				dt	d(Theta)/dt
				st	Theta stiffness moment
				da	Theta damping moment
				to	Theta total moment
			[ps]i	an	Psi angle
				dt	d(Psi)/dt



Joint	Joi	Joint id		st	Psi stiffness moment
				da	Psi damping moment
				to	Psi total moment
			[ge]neralized	en	Total joint energy
			*CONSTRAINED_JOINT_STIFFNESS_FLEXION-TORSION		
			[al]pha	an	Alpha angle
				dt	d(Alpha)/dt
				st	Alpha stiffness moment
				da	Alpha damping moment
				to	Alpha total moment
			[be]ta	an	Beta angle
				dt	d(Beta)/dt
				st	Beta stiffness moment
				da	Beta damping moment
				to	Beta total moment
			[ga]mma	an	Gamma angle
				dt	d(Gamma)/dt
				fa	Gamma scale factor
			[fl]exion	en	Total joint energy
			*CONSTRAINED_JOINT_STIFFNESS_TRANSLATIONAL		
			[tr]anslational	xd	X displacement
				dxd	d(X)/dt
				yd	Y displacement
				dyd	d(Y)/dt
				zd	Z displacement



				dzd	d(Z)/dt
				xsf	X stiffness
				xdf	X damping
				xtf	X total
				ysf	Y stiffness
				ydf	Y damping
				ytf	Y total
				zsf	Z stiffness
				zdf	Z damping
				ztf	Z total
				en	Total joint energy
			*CONSTRAINED_JOINT_STIFFNESS_CYLINDRICAL		
			[cy]lindrical	pd	P displacement
				dpd	d(P)/dt
				rd	R displacement
				dyd	d(Y)/dt
				zd	Z displacement
				dzd	d(Z)/dt
				psf	P stiffness
				pdf	P damping
				ptf	X total
				rsf	R stiffness
				rdf	R damping
				rtf	R total
				zsf	Z stiffness
				zdf	Z damping
				ztf	Z total
				en	Total joint energy
Node	No	Node id	[te]mperature	x	Temperature
			[to]p	temperatu	Top Surface Temperature
			[bo]ttom	temperatu	Bottom Surface Temperature
			[d]isplaceme	x	X Displacement
				y	Y Displacement
				z	Z Displacement
				m	Displacement Magnitude
			[v]elocity	x	X Velocity
y	Y Velocity				



				z	Z Velocity
				m	Velocity Magnitude
			[a]cceleratio n	x	X Acceleration
				y	Y Acceleration
				z	Z Acceleration
				m	Acceleration Magnitude
			[c]oord	x	Current X coord
				y	Current Y coord
				z	Current Z coord
				m	Current Vector
			[b]asic	x	Basic X coord
				y	Basic Y coord
				z	Basic Z coord
				m	Basic Vector
			[r]otation	x	X rotation
				y	Y rotation
				z	Z rotation
				m	Rotation Magnitude
				vx	X rotational velocity
				vy	Y rotational velocity
				vz	Z rotational velocity
				vm	Rotation Vel Magnitude
				ax	X rotational acceleration
				ay	Y rotational acceleration
				az	Z rotational acceleration
				am	Rotation Accel Magnitude
			force	x	X force
				y	Y force
				z	Z force
				m	Force Magnitude
			[e]nergy	-	Energy
Node Group	Ng	Group id	force	x	X force



				y	Y force
				z	Z force
				m	Force Magnitude
Part	Pa	Part id	[k]inetic e	-	Kinetic energy
			[i]nternal e	-	Internal energy
			[h]ourglass e	-	Hourglass energy
			[t]otal e	-	Total energy
			[mx]	-	X momentum
			[my]	-	Y momentum
			[mz]	-	Z momentum
			[x] velocity	-	Average X velocity
			[y] velocity	-	Average Y velocity
			[z] velocity	-	Average Z velocity
			[am]	-	Added mass
			[ma]	-	Mass
			[ek]	-	Eroded Kinetic energy
			[ei]	-	Eroded Internal energy
Part group	Gro	Group id	[k]inetic e	-	Kinetic energy
			[i]nternal e	-	Internal energy
			[h]ourglass e	-	Hourglass energy
			[t]otal e	-	Total energy
			[am]	-	Added mass
Particle Blast	Pbl	PBlast id	[a]ir	ie	Air Internal Energy
			[d]etprod	ie	Detn Product Internal Energy
			[o]ut	ie	Outside Domain Internal Energy
			[a]ir	te	Air Translational Energy
			[d]etprod	te	Detn Product Translational Energy
			[o]ut	te	Outside Domain Translational Energy



Particle Blast Part	Pbp	Part id	[a]ir	pr	Air Pressure
			[d]etprod	pr	Detn Product Pressure
			[r]es	pr	Resultant Pressure
			[ar]ea	-	Surface Area
			[a]ir	x	Air X Force
			[a]ir	y	Air Y Force
			[a]ir	z	Air Z Force
			[d]etprod	x	Detn Product X Force
			[d]etprod	y	Detn Product Y Force
			[d]etprod	z	Detn Product Z Force
			[r]es	x	Resultant X Force
			[r]es	y	Resultant Y Force
			[r]es	z	Resultant Z Force
Pressure Tube	Prt	Node id	[ar]ea	-	Cross Section Area
			[de]nsity	-	Density
			[pr]essure	-	Pressure
			[v]elocity	-	Velocity
Pulleys	Pul	Pulley id	[fo]rce	-	Force
			[sl]ip	-	Slip
			[ra]te	-	Slip Rate
			[an]gle	-	Wrap Angle
Retractor	Ret	Retractor id	[fo]rce	-	Force
			[p]ullout	-	Pullout
			[fvp]	-	Force v Pullout
Rigid wall	Rig / Wall	Wall id	[n]ormal force	-	Normal force
			[x] force	-	Global X force
			[y] force	-	Global Y force
			[z] force	-	Global Z force
			[e]nergy	-	Energy
	Rigid_seg	Wall id	Segment id	[x] force	Global X force



Rigid wall Segment				[y] force	Global Y force
				[z] force	Global Z force
Rigid part / NRB	rpa / nrb	Part id	[d]isplaceme nt	x	X Displacement
				y	Y Displacement
				z	Z Displacement
				m	Displacement Magnitude
			[v]elocity	x	X Velocity
				y	Y Velocity
				z	Z Velocity
				m	Velocity Magnitude
			[a]cceleratio n	x	X Acceleration
				y	Y Acceleration
				z	Z Acceleration
				m	Acceleration Magnitude
			[c]oord	x	X coord
				y	Y coord
				z	Z coord
			[r]otation	x	X rotation
				y	Y rotation
				z	Z rotation
				m	Rotation Magnitude
				vx	X rotational velocity
				vy	Y rotational velocity
				vz	Z rotational velocity
				vm	Rotation Vel Magnitude
				ax	X rotational acceleration
				ay	Y rotational acceleration
				az	Z rotational acceleration
				am	Rotation Accel Magnitude
	rpa / nrb	Part id	[dc]os	11	Direction Cosine 11



Rigid part / NRB				12	Direction Cosine 12
				13	Direction Cosine 13
				21	Direction Cosine 21
				22	Direction Cosine 22
				23	Direction Cosine 23
				31	Direction Cosine 31
				32	Direction Cosine 32
				33	Direction Cosine 33
			[l]displacem ent (local)	x	Local X Displacement
				y	Local Y Displacement
				z	Local Z Displacement
			[l]v]elocity (local)	x	Local X Velocity
				y	Local Y Velocity
				z	Local Z Velocity
			[l]a]cceleratio n (local)	x	Local X Acceleration
				y	Local Y Acceleration
				z	Local Z Acceleration
			[l]r]otation (local)	x	Local X rotation
				y	Local Y rotation
				z	Local Z rotation
				vx	Local X rotational vel
				vy	Local Y rotational vel
				vz	Local Z rotational vel
				ax	Local X rotational accel
				ay	Local Y rotational accel
				az	Local Z rotational accel
Seat belt	Sea / Bel	Belt id	[f]o]rce	-	Force
			[s]train	-	Strain

Shell	Sh	Shell id	[fvs]	-	Force v Strain
			[l]ength	-	Current Length
			[stre]ss	xx	Stress in XX
				yy	Stress in YY
				zz	Stress in ZZ
				xy	Stress in XY
				yz	Stress in YZ
				zx	Stress in ZX
				mx	MAX principal stress
				mn	MIN principal stress
				ms	MAX shear stress
				vm	von Mises stress
				av	Average stress (Pressure)
			[stra]in	xx	Strain in XX
				yy	Strain in YY
				zz	Strain in ZZ
				xy	Strain in XY
				yz	Strain in YZ
				zx	Strain in ZX
				ma	MAX principal strain
				mi	MIN principal strain
				sh	MAX shear strain
				vm	von Mises strain
				av	Average strain
			[pla]stic	ef	Effective plastic strain
			[m]oment	x	Moment in X
				y	Moment in Y
				xy	Moment in XY
			[f]orce	sx	Shear force in X
				sy	Shear force in Y
				nx	Normal force in X
				ny	Normal force in Y
				nxy	Normal force in XY
			[t]hickness	-	Thickness
			[i]nternal	-	Internal energy density



			[e]xtra	##	Extra data ##
Slipring	Slp	Slipring id	[p]ullout	-	Pull through
			[w]arp	-	Warp Angle
			[s]kew	-	Skew Angle
			[f]riction	-	Friction Coefficient
			[n]ormal	-	Normal Force
			belt1	-	Side 1 Belt Force
			belt2	-	Side 2 Belt Force
Solid	So	Solid id	[stre]ss	xx	Stress in XX
				yy	Stress in YY
				zz	Stress in ZZ
				xy	Stress in XY
				yz	Stress in YZ
				zx	Stress in ZX
				mx	MAX principal stress
				mn	MIN principal stress
				ms	MAX shear stress
				vm	von Mises stress
				av	Average stress (Pressure)
			[stra]in	xx	Strain in XX
				yy	Strain in YY
				zz	Strain in ZZ
				xy	Strain in XY
				yz	Strain in YZ
				zx	Strain in ZX
				ma	MAX principal strain
				mi	MIN principal strain
				sh	MAX shear strain
				vm	von Mises strain
				av	Average strain
			[pla]stic	ef	Effective plastic strain
			[e]xtra	##	Extra data ##
SPC	SPC	SPC id	[f]orce	x	X force

				y	Y force
				z	Z force
				m	Force Magnitude
			[m]oment	x	Moment in X
				y	Moment in Y
				z	Moment in Z
				m	Moment Magnitude
SPH	SPH	SPH id	[d]ensity	-	Density
			[stra]in	xx	Strain in XX
				yy	Strain in YY
				zz	Strain in ZZ
				xy	Strain in XY
				yz	Strain in YZ
				zx	Strain in ZX
			[stre]ss	ef	Effective Stress
				xx	Stress in XX
				yy	Stress in YY
				zz	Stress in ZZ
				xy	Stress in XY
				yz	Stress in YZ
zx	Stress in ZX				
[l]ength	-	Smoothing Length			
Spotweld	Sw	Spotweld id	[co]nstrained	[a]xial	Axial force
				[s]hear	Shear force
				[l]ength	Length
				[f]ailure	Failure (failed if > 1.0)
				[ma]ximum	Maximum failure value
				[t]ime	Failure Time
				[ge]neralised	[a]xial
			[s]hear		Shear force
			[l]ength		Length
			[f]ailure		Failure (failed if > 1.0)
			[ma]ximum		Maximum failure value
			[t]ime	Failure Time	
			[sp]otweld	[a]xial	Axial force

				[s]hear	Shear force
				[l]ength	Length
				[f]ailure	Failure (failed if > 1.0)
				[ma]ximum	Maximum failure value
				[t]ime	Failure Time
				[m]oment	Resultant Moment
				[to]rsion	Torsion
			[so]lid	[a]xial	Axial force
				[s]hear	Shear force
				[l]ength	Length
				[f]ailure	Failure (failed if > 1.0)
				[ma]ximum	Maximum failure value
				[t]ime	Failure Time
				[m]oment	Resultant Moment
				[to]rsion	Torsion
				ff	DC Failure Function
				nf	Normal Failure Term
				sf	Shear Failure Trem
				bf	Bending Failure Term
				[ar]ea	Spotweld Area
			[no]n-local	[a]xial	Axial force
				[s]hear	Shear force
				[l]ength	Length
				[f]ailure	Failure (failed if > 1.0)
				[ma]ximum	Maximum failure value
				[t]ime	Failure Time
			[ass]embly	[a]xial	Axial force
				[s]hear	Shear force
				[l]ength	Length
				[f]ailure	Failure (failed if > 1.0)
				[m]oment	Resultant Moment
				[to]rsion	Torsion
				[t]ime	Failure Time



				ff	DC Failure Function
				nf	Normal Failure Term
				sf	Shear Failure Trem
				bf	Bending Failure Term
				[ar]ea	Spotweld Area
Spring	Sp / Da	Spring id	[f]orce	-	Force
			[e]longation	-	Elongation
			[fve]	-	Force v Elongation
			[en]ergy	-	Energy
			[m]oment	-	Moment
			[r]otation	-	Rotation
			[mvr]	-	Moment v Rotation
			[x] force	-	Global X force
			[y] force	-	Global Y force
			[z] force	-	Global Z force
			[mx]	-	Moment in X
			[my]	-	Moment in Y
			[mz]	-	Moment in Z
			[re]nergy	-	Rotational Energy
Subsystem	Ss	Subsystem id	[k]inetic e	-	Kinetic Energy
			[i]nternal e	-	Internal Energy
			[h]ourglass e	-	Hourglass energy
			[[kr]	-	Kinetic Energy Ratio
			[ir]	-	Internal Energy Ratio
			[mx]	-	X Momentum
			[my]	-	Y Momentum
			[mz]	-	Z Momentum
			[masst]	-	Total Mass
			[massc]	-	Center of Mass
			[massx]	-	X Center of Mass
			[massy]	-	Y Center of Mass
			[massz]	-	Z Center of Mass
			[it11]	-	Inertia Tensor Row11
			[it12]	-	Inertia Tensor Row12
			[it13]	-	Inertia Tensor Row13



			[it21]	-	Inertia Tensor Row21
			[it22]	-	Inertia Tensor Row22
			[it23]	-	Inertia Tensor Row23
			[it31]	-	Inertia Tensor Row31
			[it32]	-	Inertia Tensor Row32
			[it33]	-	Inertia Tensor Row33
			[pi1]	-	Principal Inertia I11
			[pi2]	-	Principal Inertia I22
			[pi3]	-	Principal Inertia I33
			[pd11]	-	Principal Directions Row11
			[pd12]	-	Principal Directions Row12
			[pd13]	-	Principal Directions Row13
			[pd21]	-	Principal Directions Row21
			[pd22]	-	Principal Directions Row22
			[pd23]	-	Principal Directions Row23
			[pd31]	-	Principal Directions Row31
			[pd32]	-	Principal Directions Row32
			[pd33]	-	Principal Directions Row33
Thick Shell	Thi / Tsh	Tshell id	[stre]ss	xx	Stress in XX
				yy	Stress in YY
				zz	Stress in ZZ
				xy	Stress in XY
				yz	Stress in YZ
				zx	Stress in ZX
				mx	MAX principal stress
				mn	MIN principal stress



				ms	MAX shear stress
				vm	von Mises stress
				av	Average stress (Pressure)
			[stra]in	xx	Strain in XX
				yy	Strain in YY
				zz	Strain in ZZ
				xy	Strain in XY
				yz	Strain in YZ
				zx	Strain in ZX
				ma	MAX principal strain
				mi	MIN principal strain
				sh	MAX shear strain
				vm	von Mises strain
				av	Average strain
			[pla]stic	ef	Effective plastic strain
			[e]xtra	##	Extra data ##
TRACERS	Tr	Tracer ID	[d]isplaceme nt	x	Current X coord
				y	Current Y coord
				z	Current Z coord
				m	Current Vector
			[v]elocity	x	X Velocity
				y	Y Velocity
				z	Z Velocity
				m	Velocity Magnitude
			[stre]ss	xx	Stress in XX
				yy	Stress in YY
				zz	Stress in ZZ
				xy	Stress in XY
				yz	Stress in YZ
				zx	Stress in ZX
			EFP	-	
			(de)nsity	-	Density
			rvol	-	Relative Volume
			ac[tive]	-	Active
Whole model	Wh	-	[dt]	-	Time step
			[k]inetic e	-	Kinetic energy
			[i]nternal e	-	Internal energy
			[sw]	-	Stonewall energy

			[j]oint e	-	Joint internal energy
			[sp]ring e	-	Spring and damper energy
			[h]ourglass e	-	Hourglass energy
			[sy]stem e	-	System damping energy
			[si]	-	Sliding interface energy
			[ew]	-	External work
			[rb]	-	Rigid Body stopper energy
			[t]otal e	-	Total energy
			[er]	-	Total/initial energy
			[x] velocity	-	Average X velocity
			[y] velocity	-	Average Y velocity
			[z] velocity	-	Average Z velocity
			[cy]cle time	-	Time per zone cycle
			[am]	---	Added mass
			[pm]	-	%age Mass increase
			[ek]	-	Eroded Kinetic energy
			[ei]	-	Eroded Internal energy
			[eh]	-	Eroded Hourglass energy
			[ewoe]	-	Energy Ratio w/o Eroded
			[m]ass	-	Mass
			[mpe]	-	Mat Plastic Energy
			[mee]	-	Mat Elastic Energy
			[mde]	-	Mat Damage Energy
			[die]	-	Dissipation Internal Energy
			[dke]	-	Dissipation Kinetic Energy
			[de]	-	Drilling Energy



7.4.5.1 Defining Surfaces / Integration points for data extraction

Some data components can be written out at multiple locations.

In recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is possible for each element to write out multiple values for some data components.

For fully integrated Shells and Thick Shells values can be written out for all 4 in-plane integration points in each through thickness location. In addition to the integration point values it is also possible to write out data that has been extrapolated from the integration points out to the shells nodes.

For fully integrated solid elements data can also be written out for all 8 integration points and values can also be extrapolated to the elements nodes.

To select these additional values the entity ID's specified in a FAST-TCF scripts can be modified as follows.

Solids	n	Average value for solid (default)
	n@X	Value at integration point X ($0 < X < 8$)
	n@-X	Value at node X ($0 < X < 8$)
Shells	n	Average value for shell (default)
	n@X	Value at integration point X ($0 < X < 4$)
	n@-X	Value at node X ($0 < X < 4$)
Shells	n	Average value for thick shell (default)
	n@X	Value at integration point X ($0 < X < 4$)
	n@-X	Value at node X ($0 < X < 8$)

e.g. **solid 10**
 (solid 10 - average value)
 solid 20@5
 (solid 20 - data from 5th integration point)
 shell 20@-3
 (shell 20 - data extrapolated to shells 3rd node)



10.6. Units

UNITS

T/HIS 9.4 onwards can automatically add unit information to graph labels and it can convert results from one unit system to another.

Each model in T/HIS can have a Unit System defined for it and a separate Unit System can be defined for displaying results. T/HIS will automatically convert results from the model Unit System to the display Unit System. T/HIS has 6 built in unit systems.

Unit System name	Units
U1	m, kg, s
U2	mm, t, s
U3	mm, kg, ms
U4	mm, g, ms
U5	ft, slug, s
U6	m, t, s

Setting the unit system for a model

To set the unit system for a model

Keyword	second word	third word	fourth word	notes
units	model	n	U1	Set the unit system for model 'n' to U1
			U2	Set the unit system for model 'n' to U2
			U3	Set the unit system for model 'n' to U3
			U4	Set the unit system for model 'n' to U4
			U5	Set the unit system for model 'n' to U5
			U6	Set the unit system for model 'n' to U6
		all	<i>as above</i>	Set the unit system for all models

Setting the DISPLAY unit system

To set the display unit system



Keyword	second word	third word	notes
units	display	U1	Set the display unit system to U1
		U2	Set the display unit system to U2
		U3	Set the display unit system to U3
		U4	Set the display unit system to U4
		U5	Set the display unit system to U5
		U6	Set the display unit system to U6

Curve Axis units

By default T/HIS will automatically set the Unit System for any curves read from a model to those of the model. In addition to setting the curve Unit System, T/HIS will automatically set a unit type for the X and Y axis of the curve. These unit types are maintained through curve operations so that the correct units can be displayed for each curve.

The X and Y Axis units for a curve can be manually set if required.

Keyword	second word	third word	additional words	notes
unit	cx	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n ## Unit name	## ends the curve list Set the X axis unit for curves
		*	## Unit name	## ends the curve list Set the X axis unit for all curves
	cy	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n ## Unit name	## ends the curve list Set the Y axis unit for curves
		*	## Unit name	## ends the curve list Set the Y axis unit for all curves

The Unit name can be any of the following

Time	Rotation	Momentum	Energy Den
Energy	Rot Vel	Density	Mass Flow
Work	Rot Accel	Stress	Frequency
Temperature	Length	Strain	Power
Displacement	Area	Force	Thermal Flux
Velocity	Volume	Moment	Force width



Accel	Mass	Pressure	Moment width
Viscosity	Thermal Diffusivity	Vorticity	Q Criterion
Current	Vec Potential	Magnetic Flux Vec	Elec Field Vec
Conductivity			

Curve Unit Systems

If a curve has been read in from any source other than a model then the Unit System can also be set.

Keyword	second word	third word	additional words			notes
units	cu	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	Unit System name	## ends the curve list Set the Unit System for curves
		*	##		Unit System name	## ends the curve list Set the Unit System for all curves

Other UNIT options

If a CSV file is written out from within a FAST-TCF script (see [FAST-TCF CURVE OUTPUT](#)) then by default it will contain rows containing UNIT information for the curves if UNITS have been defined.

Some third party applications and scripts can not read T/HIS CSV files containing this additional UNIT information correctly. The following option can be added to FAST-TCF scripts to turn on and off the output of this additional information.

Keyword	second word	third word	notes
unit	csv	on	Turns on the output of UNIT information to CSV files
		off	Turns off the output of UNIT information to CSV files



10.7. Curve Tags

CURVE TAGS

In FAST-TCF any operation that uses one or more curves as an input can reference the curve using either the curve number or a curve tag. **The use of curve Tags is strongly recommended as it enables scripts to be easily modified and sections added / deleted without having to renumber all the curve references within the script.**

Curve tags are defined for a curve by adding the keyword TAG to the data extraction command followed by the tag.

e.g.	<code>node</code>	<code>42</code>	<code>force y_dir</code>	<code>tag curve_1</code>
	(node)	(i.d. 42)	(force in y-direction)	(tag the curve as "curve_1")
	<code>node</code>	<code>"end of roof"</code>	<code>accel z</code>	<code>tag point_2</code>
	(node)	(i.d. "end of roof")	(z acceleration)	(tag the curve as "point_2")

Tags cannot begin with a numeric character, e.g. `tag 1_curve` is not allowed.

If a tag is not specified for a curve then FAST-TCF will automatically generate a tag for the curve using the T/HIS curve number.

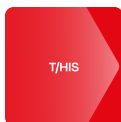
The tag for a curve can be redefined at anytime within a script using the `"tag"` command (see [Setting curve Labels, Titles and tags](#)) for more details. Once a curve tag has been redefined the original definition should not be used in any following commands - a curve can only have 1 tag defined at any time.

Tagging curves from a T/HIS curve file

Curves read in from a T/HIS curve file can be tagged by referring to each curve in the file using a negative number:

e.g.	<code>tag</code>	<code>-1</code>	<code>curve_1</code>
		(1st curve in the curve file)	(tag as "curve_1")
	<code>tag</code>	<code>-2</code>	<code>curve_2</code>
		(2nd curve in the curve file)	(tag as "curve_2")

If curves are read in from a T/HIS curve file then then the FAST-TCF tag will be generated using the following rules.



1. If the data extraction command contains a `tag` option then that tag will be used (as above).
2. If the curve file contains curve tags then they will be used if the data extraction command DOES NOT contain a `tag` option.
3. If no tags are specified in the file or in the data extraction command then T/HIS will automatically tag each curve as '#', where # is the internal T/HIS curve number.

In the third case, if for example there are three curves already in T/HIS, the curves read in from the curve file will be tagged as '4', '5', '6', '7', etc. This limits how you can refer to these curves since you would not be able to multiply two curves together. For example the command `op mul 4 5 tag new_curve` would multiply the curve tagged as '4' by the number 5, not by the curve tagged as '5'.

To avoid this limitation you will need to tag your curves using either the syntax explained above or by specifying a tag in the curve file.

Tagging multiple curve outputs

From T/HIS 9.2 onwards, multiple curve outputs can be generated from one FAST-TCF input line. Curve tags and labels can be specified for multiple curves using the following special syntax (note this only works on multiple curves):

- If the user specifies a wildcard in the tag or label (a "*"), then FAST-TCF will substitute the wildcard for the number of the curve outputted (starting from 1).
- If the user specifies a "##" then the entity ID is substituted in its place which is useful if the user knows what entities are expected on output.

e.g.

<code>node 5:last</code>	<code>accel mag</code>	<code>tag node_*</code>	<code>lab Head Accn *</code>
(node IDs. 5 to last)	(accel mag)	tags = node_1, node_2, etc	labels = Head Accn 1, Head Accn 2, etc
<code>node 10:20</code>	<code>accel mag</code>	<code>tag node_##</code>	<code>lab Head Accn ##</code>
(nodes 10 to 20)	(accel mag)	tags = node_10, node_11, etc	labels = Head Accn 10, Head Accn 11, etc

Using Wildcards

A number of T/HIS functions and operations can be applied to multiple curves in a single command by specifying multiple curve tags using wildcards.

From T/HIS 10.0 onwards the following wildcards are supported

Wildcard	Matches
*	1 or more characters



?	a single character
[a-e]	matches a single character against a range of characters , 'a','b','c','d' or 'e'
[abc]	matches a single character against a list of characters, 'a', 'b' or 'c'

e.g. `operate      multiple      x_disp_*    10      tag      x_mul_*`

(Multiple all curves with a tag starting with "x_disp_" by 10 and tag the outputs as x_mul_1, x_mul_2 ... - see [PERFORMING FAST-TCF CURVE OPERATIONS](#) for more details)

`display      x_disp_*`

(Display all curves with a tag starting with "x_disp_" - see [Curve Display](#) for more details)

`copy      curve_file.cur x_disp_*`

(Write all curves with a tag starting with "x_disp_" to a file called "curve_file.cur"- see [FAST-TCF CURVE OUTPUT](#) for more details)

`csv curve_file.csv curve_1? curve_3[0
 -3]`

Write curves with tags curve_10, curve_11, curve_12 and curves with tags curve_30, curve_31, curve_32, curve_33 to a CSV file called "curve_file.csv"- see [FAST-TCF CURVE OUTPUT](#) for more details)

Using Curve Numbers

Although it is not recommended curves can be referenced using the internal curve number instead of the curve tag. If for example the 1st curve generated by a script has the tag "curve_1" then the following 2 commands are identical.

e.g. `operate      multiple      curve_1      10      tag      x_mul_*`
`operate      multiple      #1      10      tag      x_mul_*`

If curve numbers are used within a script then T/HIS will automatically offset the curve numbers in the script by the number of curves T/HIS already has defined before the script is executed.

e.g. `operate      multiple      #1      10      tag      x_mul_*`

would multiply internal curve number 1 by 10 if T/HIS didn't contain any curve definitions when the script was run.

If T/HIS already contained 100 curves then the same command would multiple internal curve 101 by 10.

This means it is possible to play a script containing curve numbers multiple times within a session without having to either delete all the existing curves or modify the script each time.



Tagging the most recently created or highest ID curve

The most recently created/edited curve or the curve with the highest ID can be tagged with the specific commands "recent" and "highest".

e.g.	<code>tag</code>	<code>recent</code>	<code>curve_tag_1</code>
	<code>tag</code>	<code>highest</code>	<code>curve_tag_2</code>

These commands won't be written out automatically into a FAST-TCF script, so will need to be added manually. It is worth noting that if a curve tag starts with "recent" or "highest", then any command intended to change the tag would instead be interpreted as setting the tag of the most recent or highest ID curve, as in the above example. It is therefore recommended that curve tags should not start with "recent" or "highest".



10.8. Curve Groups

CURVE GROUPS

Curve groups can be defined within FAST-TCF scripts using the **cgroup** keyword. After a curve group has been defined in a FAST-TCF script it can then be used as an input to some FAST-TCF commands. Each curve group should be given a unique name within the FAST-TCF script.

Keyword	Second word	Third word	following word	notes
cgroup	create	name	-	Create a curve group called "name". If the name contains any spaces then it should be enclosed in quotes ("name with space")
	add	name	curve list	Adds a list of curves to the curve group called "name". If the name contains any spaces then it should be enclosed in quotes ("name with space"). The curve list should be a list of curve tags.
	remove	name	curve list	Removes a list of curves from the curve group called "name". If the name contains any spaces then it should be enclosed in quotes ("name with space"). The curve list should be a list of curve tags.

e.g. **cgroup** **create** **group_1**

(Create a curve group called "group_1")

cgroup **add** **group_1** **curve_1** **curve_2**

(Add curves with tags "curve_1" and "curve_2" to group "group_1")

cgroup **create** **"Group 2"**

(Create a curve group called "Group 2")

cgroup **add** **"Group 2"** **curve_1***

(Add all curves with a curve tag containing "curve_1" to group "Group 2")

cgroup **remove** **"Group 2"** **curve_11**

(Remove curve with tag "curve_11" from group "Group 2")



To use a curve group as the input to another FAST-TCF command the curve group name is preceded by an &. If a curve group name contains spaces then the name should be enclosed in double quotes and the & should be before the first ".

e.g. **operate multiple &group_1 10 tag output_***

(Multiple all curves in curve group "group_1" by 10 and tag the outputs as output_1, output_2 ...)

operate multiple &"Group 2" 10 tag output_*

(Multiple all curves in curve group "Group 2 " by 10 and tag the outputs as output_1, output_2 ...)

Curve Groups can currently be used

- As the first curve input in all of the [operate](#) commands
- Within the list of curves specified as input to [curve range](#) functions.
- To select a group of curves for the [display](#) command.
- When [outputting curves](#) to T/HIS curve files and CSV files.



10.9. Performing FAST-TCF Curve Operations

PERFORMING FAST-TCF CURVE OPERATIONS

Description	keyword	following words
Curve operation	oper	oper command + necessary words (depending on operation)

Many curve processing operations and functions are available. The syntax is common for all types of curve operation:

1. The first word is `oper` and is followed by:
2. The operation/function name e.g. `ADD`, `INT`.
3. The required number of arguments for the operation, e.g. `ADD` requires two arguments, a curve and either a curve or a value.
4. The remainder of the line may contain optional requests.
5. Any optional requests can occur after the arguments.
6. Curve numbers must be in the format: `#<curve number>`
7. An output curve is always needed - for operation commands such as `hic`, `hicd`, `tti`, `3ms`, `err`, the curve will be copied and the operation is executed on the copied curve.
8. A curve tag containing a wildcard or a curve group can be specified as the first curve input for any curve operation. If a curve tag contains a wildcard or if a curve group is specified then the curve operation will be repeated for each curve that either the tag matches or is in the curve group.

e.g. `oper hic       node_acc    1.0            15E-3       label Hic-ed node accn`

 (hic) (curve tag) (scale=1.0) (15ms period) (label)

In T/HIS 9.2 onwards, the user can operate on multiple input curves (only the first curve can be multiple at the moment) using the wildcard `"*"`. For example, to multiply all curves starting with the tag `acc` :

e.g. `oper mul       acc*            9810.0`
 (multiply) (on all curves with tag acc*)



10.9.1. Standard Operation Commands

Standard operation commands

Description	keyword	operation command	following word #1	following word #2	additional words	notes
Absolute value	oper	abs	curve #1	-	-	
Add Y	oper	add	curve #1	curve #2 or constant	-	
Add X	oper	adx	curve #1	curve #2 or constant	-	
Clip curve	oper	cli	curve #1	x min value / "auto"	x max value / "auto" y min value / "auto" y max value / "auto"	Input requires all 4 values, "auto" sets the value automatically
Combine	oper	com	curve #1	curve #2	-	
Concatenate	oper	cat	curve #1	curve #2	-	
Derivative	oper	dif	curve #1	-	-	
db	oper	db	curve #1	reference value		Convert a curve to dB
db(A)	oper	dba	curve #1	narrow		Apply narrow band A weighting
				octave		Apply octave band A weighting
Div Y	oper	div	curve #1	curve #2 or constant	-	
Div X	oper	dix	curve #1	curve #2 or constant	-	
Error calculation	oper	err	curve #1	curve #2	-	Value is stored with the output curve
Integral	oper	int	curve #1	-	-	
Least squares	oper	lsq	curve #1	-	-	
Map	oper	map	curve #1	curve #2	-	



Mul Y	oper	mul	curve #1	curve #2 or constant			
Mul X	oper	mux	curve #1	curve #2 or constant			
Normalise	oper	nor	curve #1	-			
Octave	oper	oct	curve #1	octave	rms	linear	Convert a curve from "narrow" band to either Octave or 1/3rd Octave bands.
						db	
					mean	linear	
						db	
				third	rms	linear	Value for each band can be calculated using either mean or RMS values, and the input can either be linear or in dB.
						db	
	mean	linear					
		db					
Order	oper	ord	curve #1	-			
Reciprocal	oper	rec	curve #1	-			
Reverse	oper	rev	curve #1	-			
Rolling average	oper	r-av	curve #1	averaging window			If the averaging window is undefined or set to 0.0 then the y-values at each point are calculated by averaging all of the proceeding curve points.
							If the averaging window is set to T then the y-values at each point are calculated by averaging between -T/2 and +T/2.



Smooth	oper	smo	curve #1	smoothing factor	-	Factor must be an integer
Stress	oper	str	curve #1	"true" or "engineering"	-	
Sub Y	oper	sub	curve #1	curve #2 or constant	-	
Sub X	oper	sux	curve #1	curve #2 or constant	-	
Translate	oper	tra	curve #1	X value	Y value	
Vector 2D	oper	v2d	curve #1	curve #2	-	
Vector mag	oper	vec	curve #1	curve #2	curve #3	
Window	oper	win	curve #1	"han", "cos", "exp"	lead in (only for "cos" option)	Writes out 2 curves
Zero curve (X and Y)	oper	zer	curve #1	-	-	Shifts curve to 0,0 (X and Y values)
Zero curve (X only)	oper	zero_x	curve #1	-	-	Shift curve to 0,Y (X only)
Zero curve (Y only)	oper	zero_y	curve #1	-	-	Shift curve to X,0 (Y only)



10.9.2. Maths Operation Commands

Maths operation commands

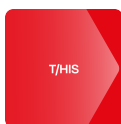
Description	keyword	operation command	following word #1	following word #2	additional words	notes
Arc cosine	oper	acos	curve #1	-	-	
Arc sine	oper	asin	curve #1	-	-	
Arc tangent	oper	atan	curve #1	-	-	
Cosine	oper	cos	curve #1	-	-	
Log base 10	oper	log10	curve #1	-	-	
Log base 10 (X)	oper	log10x	curve #1	-	-	
Natural Exp	oper	exp	curve #1	-	-	
Natural log	oper	log	curve #1	-	-	
Natural log (X)	oper	logx	curve #1	-	-	
Power	oper	pow	curve #1	nth power	-	
Sine	oper	sin	curve #1	-	-	
Square root	oper	sqr	curve #1	-	-	
Tangent	oper	tan	curve #1	-	-	



10.9.3. Automotive Operation Commands

Automotive operation commands

Description	Keyword	Operation command	Following word #1	Following word #2	Additional words	Notes
Delta V	oper	acu	curve #1	offset	time period	
Acceleration severity index	oper	asi	Accn x curve #	Accn y curve #	Accn z curve #	word6 = acceleration conversion factor
						word7 = x limit
						word8 = y limit
						word9 = z limit
Butterworth filter	oper	but	curve #1	cut off frequency	order	
C60 filter	oper	c60	curve #1	-	-	
C180 filter	oper	c180	curve #1	-	-	
C600 filter	oper	c600	curve #1	-	-	
C1000 filter	oper	c1000	curve #1	-	-	
Clip value	oper	cva	curve #1	time window	Label displayed on screen (optional)	Value is stored with the output curve
Exceedence	oper	exc	curve #1	auto / pos / neg	-	
Fir filter	oper	fir	curve #1	-	-	
Hic	oper	hic	curve #1	division scale factor	time period	Value is stored with the output curve
Hicd	oper	hicd	curve #1	division scale factor	time period	Value is stored with the output curve
Neck injury criteria	oper	nij	Shear curve #	Axial curve #	Moment curve #	word6 = Fzc tension
						word7 = Fzc compression
						word8 = Myc flexion
						word9 = Myc extension



						word10 = Distance from joint
Regularise	oper	reg	curve #1	new dt value	-	
THIV	oper	thi	Accn x curve #	Accn y curve #	Yaw rate curve #	word6 = Horizontal distance
						word7 = Lateral distance
						word8 = Head to vehicle distance
TTI	oper	tti	Upper rib curve #	Lower rib curve #	Lower spine curve #	Value is stored with the output curve
Viscous criteria ECER95	oper	vc	curve #1	constant A	constant B	ECER95 method
Viscous criteria IIHS	oper	vc2	curve #1	constant A	constant B	IIHS method
Curve Correlation (strict)	oper	corr	strict	curve #1	curve #2	Value is stored with the output curves
Curve Correlation (loose)	oper	corr	loose	curve #1	curve #2	Value is stored with the output curves
Weighted Integrated Factor Curve Correlation (WIFAC)	oper	wif	curve #1z	curve #2	-	Value is stored with the output curve
Occupant Load Criterion (OLC)	oper	olc	X Acceleration curve #	X Velocity curve # or Initial velocity as constant	-	-
Tibia Index (TI)	oper	ti	Axial curve #	X Moment curve #	Y Moment Curve #	word6 = Fzc Critical Force
						word7 = Mrc Critical Bending Moment



DAMAGE (DMG)	oper	dmg	X Rot. Vel Curve#	Y Rot. Vel Curve#	Z Rot. Vel Curve#	Calculation method word6 = rk4 / rkf45 / nbm



10.9.4. Seismic Operation Commands

Seismic operation commands

Description	keyword	operation command	following word #1	following word #2	additional words	notes
Accn to disp spectra	oper	ad	curve #1	-	-	
Accn to vel spectra	oper	av	curve #1	-	-	
Disp to vel spectra	oper	dv	curve #1	-	-	
Disp to accn spectra	oper	da	curve #1	-	-	
Vel to disp spectra	oper	vd	curve #1	-	-	
Vel to accn spectra	oper	va	curve #1	-	-	
Baseline correction	oper	bld	curve #1	-	-	
Design spectrum	oper	ds	curve #1	broadening factor	-	
FFT	oper	fft	curve #1	-	-	
Non cumulative P.R.	oper	ncp	curve #1	curve #2	-	
Response spectrum	oper	rs	curve #1	damping factor	sampling factor	Sampling must be either 30 or 70



10.9.5. Range of Curve Operation Commands

Range of curve operation commands

Description	keyword	operation command	following word #1	following word #2	additional words	notes
Average	oper	ave	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	"###" ends the curve list
Envelope	oper	env	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	"###" ends the curve list
Minimum	oper	min	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	"###" ends the curve list
Maximum	oper	max	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	"###" ends the curve list
Resultant	oper	res	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	"###" ends the curve list
Sum	oper	sum	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	"###" ends the curve list
Sum	oper	sum	curve #1	curve #2 to curve #n	##	"###" ends the curve list

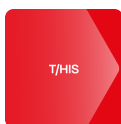


APPLYING EXTRA OPTIONS TO DATA REQUESTS

Each request is executed in the order on the line, **if the curve label is used, it must be the last input on the line.**

(node i.d. 54)	(accel mag)	(scale x and y)	(obtain hic value)	(curve label)
no 1	accel mag	filter c60	append output.cur	
(node i.d. 1)	(accel mag)	(filter with C60)	(append the curve to a file)	
no 1	accel mag	tag node_1_acc		
(node i.d. 1)	(accel mag)	(tag the curve "node_1_acc" for ease of use later in the script)		

Description	extra option word	following word #1	following word #2	notes
3ms clip	3ms	-	-	Curve is squared and then square rooted to remove -ve values Curve is truncated around 3ms values - only 3ms part is left
Append into file	app	filename	-	Appends into curve file, if it doesn't exist - create it
Combine	com	curve #2	-	Y-value curve #1 vs X-value curve #2
Copy into file	cop	filename	-	Copy will overwrite any previous instance of the file
Error function	err	curve #2	-	
HIC	hic, hic15, hicd	-	-	Curve is squared and then square rooted to remove -ve values, an identical curve is outputted



Filtering	fil	fir	-	
		c60		
		c180		
		c600		
		c1000		
X scale factor	xsc	scale factor	-	
Y scale factor	ysc	scale factor	-	
Label	lab	label word #1	label word #2 etc	Keyword and label must be at the end of the line
Reference tag	tag	tag word	-	Invalid words: "style", "xax", "yax", "title"
ASCII file request	ASC	-	-	
LSDA file request	LSD	-	-	
THF file request	THF	-	-	
XTF file request	XTF	-	-	

Using extra options on multiple curve outputs

From T/HIS 9.2 onwards, multiple curve outputs can be generated from one FAST-TCF input line. Unfortunately most of the extra options displayed below will NOT work on these multiple outputs. However, support has been added to allow tagging and labeling of all the multiple curves outputted in one go (see [Tagging multiple curve outputs](#)).



10.11. Setting Properties for Curves

Setting properties for curves

The following options can be used to set up properties for curves.

Setting curve Labels, Titles and tags

Description	keyword	second word	third word	fourth word	notes
Curve Label	lab	curve # or tag	label word 1	label word 2 etc	Specifies a new curve label
Curve Tag	tag	curve # or tag	tag	-	Specifies a new curve tag
Curve Title	tit	curve # or tag	label word 1	label word 2 etc	Specifies a new curve title
Curve X axis label	xla	curve # or tag	label word 1	label word 2 etc	Specifies a new x -axis label
Curve Y axis label	yla	curve # or tag	label word 1	label word 2 etc	Specifies a new y-axis label
1st Y axis	y1	curve # or tag	-	-	puts the curve on the 1st y axis
2nd Y axis	y2	curve # or tag	-	-	puts the curve on the 2nd y axis
User defined model prefix	prefix	model	model # or 'all'	"prefix string"	sets the user defined model prefix

From T/HIS 9.4 onwards, curve properties such as the minimum and maximum values can be displayed in the legend area as well as within the graph area.

The following commands use a new **properties** keyword and can be used to specify the font, colour and background used to display values as well as selecting which values are displayed on each curve.

Keyword	2nd word	3rd word	4th word	5th word	6th word	7th word	notes
properties	format	font	hm hb cm cb tm	8 10 12 14 18 24	standard colour	-	sets up font used to display curve properties fonts available: hm - helvetica

			tb default	default			medium cb - courier bold tm - times new roman medium etc... font sizes in pt: 8, 10, 12 etc...
		background	standard colour	-	-	-	Set a background colour for the text
		transparency	integer (0-100)		-	-	Set the background transparency
		border	standard colour	on/off	-	-	Set a border colour round the text and turn it on/off
		arrow	on/off	-	-	-	Turn on/off a line connecting the text to the min/max value location
		num	y_only	-	-	-	Only display the y value
		num	x_y	-	-	-	Display both the x and y values on a single line
		num	xy	-	-	-	Display both the x and y values on separate lines
		value	<type>	-	-	-	Set the unit format to one of <i>automatic</i> , <i>general</i> , <i>scientific</i> for graph (n)
		precision	m	-	-	-	Set the number of decimal places displayed for the y axis values to (m) in graph (n)
properties	legend	format	off	-	-	-	Turn off the display of curve values in the legend area
			append	-	-	-	Append curve values (min,max,average ...) to the curve labels in the legend.

			2nd	-	-	-	Add a 2nd line to the legned for each curve containing the curve values (min,max,average ...).	
			curve #1	curve #2	##	maximum	on/off	Turn on/off the display of one of the following curve properties in the legend. Input one or more curves and terminate the list with ##
						minimum		
						average		
						other		
						maximum - display curve maximum value minimum - display curve minimum value average - display curve average value other - display other curve values		
properties	curves	format	off	-	-	-	Turn off the display of cvure values in the graph area	
			summary	-	-	-	Display the minimum/maximum value for all of the curves currently visible	
			all	-	-	-	Display minimum/maximum values for each curve that is currently visible	
		summary	smaximum	on/of			Turns on/off the display of one of the following curve summary properties	
			sminimum					
			lmaximum					
			lminimum					
						smaximum -		



							highlight the maximum value for all the curves displayed sminimum - highlight the minimum value for all the curves displayed lmaximum - label the maximum vlaue for all the curves displayed lminimum - label the minimum vlaue for all the curves displayed
		curve #1	curve #2	##	smaximum	on/off	Turns on/off the display of one of the following curve summary properties. Input one or more curves
					sminimum		
					lmaximum		
					lminimum		
					other		



10.12. Defining Datums

10.12.1. Creating Datum Definitions

Creating Datum Definitions

The following options can be used to setup DATUM definitions

keyword	second word	notes
start datum		Starts a Datum definition
acronym	<i>acronym</i>	Specifies the datum acronym
label	<i>label</i>	Specifies the datum label
label	<i>2nd label</i>	Specifies the label for the optional second constant datum line
type	constant_x	Defines the datum as a constant x value
	constant_y	Defines the datum as a constant y value
	constant_y2	Defines the datum as a constant y2 value
	Points	Defined the datum as a set of x,y points
value	<i>value</i>	Specifies the value for a constant x, y or y2 datum
2nd value	<i>2nd value</i>	Specifies the optional second value for a constant x, y or y2 datum
num_points	#points x1,y1 y2,y2	Specifies the number of points used to define a datum, followed by pairs of x,y values.
line_colour	colour (see Line Colours)	Specify the line colour used to display the datum line (or none)
line_style	style (see Setting Curve Styles)	Specifies the line style used to display the datum line (or none)
line_width	width (see Line Width)	Specifies the line width used to display the datum line (or none)
fill_colour1	colour (see Line Colours)	Defines the colour used to fill above/right of the datum line
fill_colour2	colour (see Line Colours)	Defines the colour used to fill below/left of the datum line
fill_colour3	colour (see Line Colours)	Defines the colour used to fill between the two constant datum lines if a second value is present
label_font		Define the font used to display the label
label_size	8,10,12,14,18,24	Define the font point size used to display the label
label_colour	colour (see Line Colours)	Define the colour used to display the label
label_position	Above Centre	Position label at centre above line
	Above Left	Position label on left above line



	Above Right	Position label on right above line
	Below Centre	Position label at centre below line
	Below Left	Position label on left below line
	Below Right	Position label on right below line
	None	Turn off label display
	Middle Left	Position label on left in middle
	Top Left	Position label on left at top
	Bottom Left	Position label on left at bottom
	Middle Right	Position label on right in middle
	Top Right	Position label on right at top
	Bottom Right	Position label on right in middle
label_orientation	Horizontal or Vertical	Orientation of the datum label(s)
label_point	point number	Position label at datum point
end_datum		Ends a Datum definition.

Each DATUM definition must start with a "**start_datum**" keyword and end with a "**end_datum**" keyword. Any lines between a "**start_datum**" and "**end_datum**" keyword that do not form part of a datum definition are ignored. From T/HIS 17.0 onwards, FAST-TCF variables defined by "define var *name value* " can be used inside DATUM defitions.

The following creates a DATUM definition at Y=1000.0 with a label "Hic Limit", the area below the line is filled in **GREEN** and the area above is filled in **RED**.

```
START_DATUM
  ACRONYM          datum_1
  LABEL            Hic Limit
  TYPE             constant_y
  VALUE            1000.000000
  LINE_COLOUR      green
  LINE_STYLE       solid
  LINE_WIDTH       normal
  FILL_COLOUR_1    red
  FILL_COLOUR_2    green
  LABEL_FONT       default
  LABEL_SIZE       automatic
  LABEL_COLOUR     foreground
  LABEL_POSITION   default
  LABEL_ORIENTATION Horizontal
END_DATUM
```

Alternatively a [*.dtm file](#) can be read in using the 'inc' keyword, e.g.

```
inc C:\my_datum_file.dtm
```



10.12.2. Adding Datum Lines to Graphs

Adding Datum Lines to Graphs

Multiple DATUM definitions can be added to each graph using the datum acronym

Keyword	2nd word	3rd word	notes
datum	add	<i>acronym</i>	Adds the datum with the acronym to the currently selected graphs

datum add maximum: Add datum with the acronym "maximum" to all selected graphs

layout graph select none: Deselect all graphs (see [PAGE / GRAPH LAYOUT AND SELECTION](#))

layout graph select 1: Select graph 1 (see [PAGE / GRAPH LAYOUT AND SELECTION](#))

datum add maximum: Add datum with the acronym "maximum" to graph 1 (currently selected)

datum add minimum: Add datum with the acronym "minimum" to graph 1 (currently selected)



10.12.3. Removing Datum Lines from Graphs

Removing Datum Lines from Graphs

Multiple DATUM definitions can be added to each graph using the datum acronym

Keyword	2nd word	3rd word	notes
datum	remove	<i>acronym</i>	Removes the datum with the acronym from the currently selected graphs

`datum remove maximum` Remove datum with the acronym "maximum" from all selected graphs

`layout graph select none` Deselect all graphs (see [PAGE / GRAPH LAYOUT AND SELECTION](#))

`layout graph select 1` Select graph 1 (see [PAGE / GRAPH LAYOUT AND SELECTION](#))

`datum remove maximum` Remove datum with the acronym "maximum" from graph 1 (currently selected)

`datum remove minimum` Remove datum with the acronym "minimum" from graph 1 (currently selected)



10.13. FAST-TCF Image Output Options

FAST-TCF IMAGE OUTPUT OPTIONS

The options to generate images can be split into 5 sections:

Setting Curve Style

Setting Curve Styles by Model

Plot setup

Curve Display

Image Generation



10.13.1. Setting Curve Styles

Setting Curve Styles

Description	keyword	second word	following words
Plot style setup	style	style name	style options
Individual curve style	stylec	curve number or tag	style options

This section explains how to set up the styles for the curves in a plot. The two types of syntax available in the table above effect when and how the curves are styled.

The "plot style setup" (keyword **style**) allows the user to define a plot-specific styling that applies the styles to the curves only when they are requested for a plot. It is independent of the curve id, but dependent on the order the curves are requested in the plot command. The style is given its own "tag" which the user can request on the image FAST-TCF line.

This is useful for producing plots from FAST-TCF that all have the same curve appearance. For the following words, each space represents a new curve style definition. The styles for each curve are defined by the type keywords below, separated by commas.

e.g. **style ENERGIES solid,green,norm dash,blue,heavy sol,W5,yel,500**
 (style name) (curve #1) (curve #2) (curve #3)

When a plot is requested, FAST-TCF will apply the curve styles to the list of curves (in order) in the plot. So in the example above, the first curve would appear green, the second curve blue and the third yellow.

The "individual curve style" (keyword **stylec**) is the more traditional way of styling a curve that a T/HIS user would be more familiar with - FAST-TCF styles the single curve id instantly. The user can only define one style at a time.

e.g. **stylec #12 solid,green,W9**
 (style curve number 12) style to apply

Line Styles

Style options	word options	default
Line style	solid	solid
	dash	
	none	

Line Colours



Style options	word options	default
Line colour	white	dependent on curve #
	red	
	green	
	blue	
	cyan	
	magenta	
	yellow	
	orange	
	turquoise	
	indigo	
	lime	
	sky	
	pink	
	black	
	foreground	
	background	

Line Width

Style options	word options	default
Line width	fine	normal
	normal	
	bold	
	heavy	

Line Symbols

Style options	word options	default
Line symbols	triangle	dependent on curve #
	square	
	diamond	
	hourglass	
	cross	
	circle	
	star	
	dot	
	null	
Symbol	frequency	-



10.13.2. Setting Curve Styles by Model

Setting Curve Styles by Model

From T/HIS 11.0 onwards, a new option can be used to colour all of the curves belonging to a model in a single operation.

Description	keyword	second word	following words
Colour curves by model	style_m	model number	style options

The available style options are exactly the same as for the `stylec` command (see [Setting Curve Styles](#).)

e.g. `style_m 2` `solid,green,norm`
 model number 2 style to apply

would set all the curves belonging to model 2 to solid, green lines using the default line thickness.



10.13.3. Plot Setup

Plot setup

Description	keyword	following words
Plot setup	setup	plot setup words

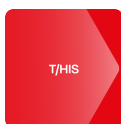
These options set the appearance of any plots that are created afterwards. They are to do with the general appearance of the plot rather than the curve itself. The curve appearances can be set up with the [style definition line](#) and on the [image plotting line](#). All following words must be on the same line. If the "on" or "off" is missed out from the following word (where applicable) then FAST-TCF will take the **opposite** to the default (this helps with backwards compatibility issues but can also make a script more compact).

e.g. `setup ax bold` `grid on` `line bold` `reverse`
(bold axes) (grid on) (bold lines) (reverse foreground and background)

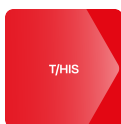
`setup double border off` `show 3ms` `size 250`
(double axes on) (no border) (3ms window on) (size = 1000 x 750 pixels)

`setup fonts title hb 24 red`
(title: helvetica bold 24pt, in red)

Plot setup description	plot setup word	following word(s)	notes
Axis thickness	ax	fine	for colours - see standard list below
		normal	
		bold	
		heavy	
		standard colour	
Background	back	standard colour	for colours - see standard list below
Border	bo	fine	for colours - see standard list below
		normal	
		bold	
		heavy	
		standard colour	

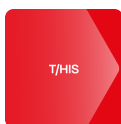


		on or off																																					
Double yaxis	do	on or off																																					
Fix line styles	fix	on or off	this overwrites any style definitions																																				
Fonts	fon	<table> <tr> <td>[xl]abel</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[yl]abel</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[y2l]abel</td><td>hm</td><td>8</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[xu]nits</td><td>hb</td><td>10</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[yu]nits</td><td>cm</td><td>12</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[y2u]nits</td><td>cb</td><td>14</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[t]itle</td><td>tm</td><td>18</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[le]gend</td><td>tb</td><td>24</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>[all]</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>	[xl]abel				[yl]abel				[y2l]abel	hm	8		[xu]nits	hb	10		[yu]nits	cm	12		[y2u]nits	cb	14		[t]itle	tm	18		[le]gend	tb	24		[all]				sets up fonts for the image: fonts available: hm - helvetica medium cb - courier bold tm - times new roman medium etc... font sizes in pt: 8, 10, 12 etc...for colours - see standard list below
[xl]abel																																							
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Format style	fo	default automatic full																																					
Grid on	gr	fine normal bold heavy on or off																																					
Line thickness	li	on off fine normal bold heavy	Turn on plotting of curve lines Turn off plotting of curve lines (symbols drawn) set the line thickness to 1 pixel set the line thickness to 2 pixels set the line thickness to 4 pixels set the line thickness to 8 pixels																																				
Model numbers on labels.	mn	auto on off	Adds a "model" prefix to the entity IS. If set to the "auto" only puts the model number on when there is more than 1 model in T/HIS																																				
Model prefix format	prefix	id	Set the model prefix to the model ID																																				



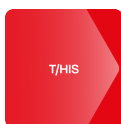
		dir	Set the model prefix to the job directory	
		thf	Set the model prefix to the name of the base THF/model file	
		user	Set the model prefix to the user defined one.	
Reverse black white	re	on or off		
Size of plot	si	integer	xsize = value x 4, ysize = value x 3 (aspect fixed)	
Solid x and y axis	so	on or off		
Symbols on	sy	on or off		
X grid controls	xau	-		
	xin	x grid increment		
	xoff	x grid offset		
Y grid controls	yau	-		
	yin	y grid increment		
	yoff	y grid offset		
Axis type, Linear/Logarithmic	xlin	-	Swap the x axis to a linear scale	
	xlog	-	Swap the x axis to a logarithmic scale	
	ylin	-	Swap the y axis to a linear scale	
	ylog	-	Swap the y axis to a logarithmic scale	
	y2lin	-	Swap the second y axis to a linear scale	
	y2log	-	Swap the second y axis to a logarithmic scale	
Axis display	axis	top	on or off	Turns ON/OFF display of graphs TOP axis
	axis	bottom	on or off	Turns ON/OFF display of graphs RIGHT axis

Plot setup description	plot setup word	following word(s)	notes
Graph Title	title	"title string"	Set the title for the graph.
	title_on	-	Turn on the display of the graph title
	title_off	-	Turn off the display of the graph title
X Axis Properties	x_lab	auto	Set the x axis label to be defined automatically
		manual	Set the x axis label to a user defined label



		"label string"	Set the user defined x axis label
		on	Turn on the display of the x axis label
		off	Turn off the display of the x axis label
	x_min	auto	Set the x axis minimum value to automatic
		numerical value	Set the x axis minimum value
	x_max	auto	Set the x axis minimum value to automatic
		numerical value	Set the x axis minimum value
	x_unit	auto	Set the x axis unit label to be defined automatically
		manual	Set the x axis unit label to a user defined label
		"unit string"	Set the user defined x axis label
		on	Turn on the display of the x axis unit label
		off	Turn off the display of the x axis unit label
Y Axis Properties	y_lab	auto	Set the y axis label to be defined automatically
		manual	Set the y axis label to a user defined label
		"label string"	Set the user defined y axis label
		on	Turn on the display of the y axis label
		off	Turn off the display of the y axis label
	y_min	auto	Set the y axis minimum value to automatic
		auto_visible	Set the y axis minimum to the automatic value based on the visible part of the x-axis.
		numerical value	Set the y axis minimum value
	y_max	auto	Set the y axis maximum value to automatic
		auto_visible	Set the y axis maximum to the automatic value based on the visible part of the x-axis.
		numerical value	Set the y axis maximum value
	y_ranges	auto	Set the y and y2 axis minimum and maximum values to automatic
		auto_visible	Set the y and y2 axis minimum and maximum to the automatic values based on the visible part of the x-axis.
		y_auto	Set the y axis minimum and maximum values to automatic

	y_unit	y_auto_visible	Set the y axis minimum and maximum to the automatic values based on the visible part of the x-axis.
		auto	Set the y axis unit label to be defined automatically
		manual	Set the y axis unit label to a user defined label
		"unit string"	Set the user defined y axis label
		on	Turn on the display of the y axis unit label
		off	Turn off the display of the y axis unit label
2nd Y Axis Properties	y2_lab	auto	Set the second y axis label to be defined automatically
		manual	Set the second y axis label to a user defined label
		"label string"	Set the user defined second y axis label
		on	Turn on the display of the second y axis label
		off	Turn off the display of the second y axis label
	y2_min	auto	Set the second y axis minimum value to automatic
		auto_visible	Set the second y axis minimum to the automatic value based on the visible part of the x-axis.
		numerical value	Set the second y axis minimum value
	y2_max	auto	Set the second y axis maximum value to automatic
		auto_visible	Set the second y axis maximum to the automatic value based on the visible part of the x-axis.
		numerical value	Set the second y axis maximum value
	y_ranges	auto	Set the y and y2 axis minimum and maximum values to automatic
		auto_visible	Set the y and y2 axis minimum and maximum to the automatic values based on the visible part of the x-axis.
		y2_auto	Set the second y axis minimum and maximum values to automatic
		y2_auto_visible	Set the second y axis minimum and maximum to the automatic values based on the visible part of the x-axis.
	y2_unit	auto	Set the second y axis unit label to be defined automatically



		manual	Set the second y axis unit label to a user defined label
		"unit string"	Set the user defined second y axis label
		on	Turn on the display of the second y axis unit label
		off	Turn off the display of the second y axis unit label

Deprecated Plot Setup Options

The following setup commands have been deprecated since T/HIS 9.4 and may be removed entirely in the future. They are superseded by the "properties" keyword (see [Setting properties for curves](#)).

Plot setup description	plot setup word	following word(s)		notes
Set colour of min/max value	min_max	standard colour		for colours - see standard list below
Show max value	show	max	on off	Turn on/off the highlight of the Maximum Value
Show max value	show	min		Turn on/off the highlight of the Maximum Value
Display X value at max	show	xmax		Display x value at Maximum
Display X value at min	show	xmin		Display x value at Maximum
Display Y value at max	show	ymax		Display y value at Maximum
Display Y value at min	show	ymin		Display y value at Maximum
Show 3ms Clip Widow	show	3ms		
Show HIC	show	hic		



10.13.4. Curve Display

Curve Display

The list of curves displayed in each graph is controlled by the **display** keyword. The list of curves can contain a mixture of curve tags, curve numbers (prefixed with #) or curve groups. If curve tags are specified in the curve list then they can contain wildcards.

keyword	second word	notes
display	curve list	The curve list can contain a mixture of curve tags, curve numbers (prefixed with #) or curve groups. If curve tags are specified in the curve list then they can contain wildcards.

The following option can be appended to the **display** keyword after the curve list.

Additional format	format word	following word #1	following word #2	notes
Style application	sty	style name	-	Curves have styles applied in the order they were defined

The following additional options that can be appended to the **display** keyword after the curve list were deprecated in T/HIS 9.4 and may be removed entirely in the future, so their use is not recommended. Equivalent commands have been added to the [Plot Setup](#) commands along with a number of new options.

Additional format	format word	following word #1	following word #2	notes
Title	tit	title word #1	title word #2 etc	Takes following words as a title until another keyword is found
X axis options	xax	if numeric #1 - xaxis min	if numeric #2 - xaxis max	Takes following words as a label until another keyword is found
		otherwise xaxis label	otherwise xaxis label	
Y axis options	yax	if numeric #1 - yaxis min	if numeric #2 - yaxis max	Takes following words as a label until another keyword is found
		otherwise yaxis label	otherwise yaxis label	
2nd Y axis options	2ya	if numeric #1 - yaxis min	if numeric #2 - yaxis max	



		otherwise yaxis label	otherwise yaxis label	Takes following words as a label until another keyword is found

e.g. `display` `curve_1` `curve_2`

(display "curve_1" and "curve_2")

`display` `curve_2` `&"Curve group 3"`

```
title SLED TEST \  
xax Time \  
yax Displacement
```

(display "curve_2" and all the curves in "Curve group 3". Set the plot title and x and y axis labels.)



10.13.5. Image Generation

Image Generation

Many different types of image format can be outputted from FAST-TCF.

From T/HIS 17.0 onwards, the FAST-TCF image output options have been revised to allow multiple graphs and pages to be selected for output. The old pre-T/HIS 9.3 syntax (see [Pre 9.3 Image Output](#)) is still supported for existing scripts but is officially deprecated and users are strongly advised to move to the new command format where all options are prefixed with either the "display" or "image" keyword.

Description	keyword	following words
Image output	image	image options

The available image output options are

Option	keyword	format word	second word	third word	fourth word	notes
Bitmap (8 bit)	image	bit / bmp	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
Bitmap (8 bit uncompressed)	image	bit_u / bmp_u	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
Gif (8 bit)	image	gif	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
Png (8 bit)	image	png	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'

Bitmap (24 bit)	image	bit24 / bmp24	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
Pixel map (24 bit)	image	ppm / pix	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
Jpeg (24 bit)	image	jpg / jpeg	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
Png (24 bit)	image	png24	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
Postscript	image	ps	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'
PDF	image	pdf	filename	graph	all / active / 'n'	Generate an image containing all graphs / all active graphs / graph number 'n'
				page	all / current / 'n'	Generate an image for each page / the current page / page number 'n'

In addition to the image formats the following image output options can also be specified

Description	keyword	second word	notes



Image resolution	i_res	screen / 2x / 4x	Set the resolution to either the same as the screen or 2 or 4 times the screen resolution for image ouptut
Postscript /PDF resolution	p_res	screen / 2x / 4x	Set the resolution to either the same as the screen or 2 or 4 times the screen resolution for Postscript and PDF ouptut
Plot title	ti	title string	Specify the plot title (postscript / PDF output only)
Figure Number	fi	figure number	Specify the figure number (postscript / PDF output only)
Orientation	ori	land / port	Specify the paper orientation (postscript / PDF output only)

image bmp **output1.bmp graph all**

(generate a bitmap called output1.bmp containing all the current graphs)

image jpeg **output2.jpg page 3**

(generate a JPEG image called output2.jpg containing page 3)

image **2x**
i_res

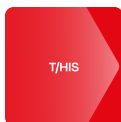
(set the resolution used for all following images to 2 x the screen resolution)

image ti **Run number 2**

(set the plot title to "Run number 2" for any following postscript or PDF images)

image ori **landscape**

(set the page layout to landscape for any following postscript or PDF images)



10.13.6. Pre 9.3 Image Output

Pre 9.3 Image Output

The following pre-T/HIS 9.3 image output commands are still supported but has been officially deprecated and users are recommended to use the new format described above. **Support for the below commands may be removed entirely in the future.**

Curve styles that have been previously defined can be applied to the curves in the plot, and various other settings can be made with regards to the axes and titles.

Images that require a second yaxis need to determine which curves go on which axis. To do this, use a "##" in the curve listing to switch to the second axis. The options are described in the tables below.

Curve files can be included within the curves to plot. FAST-TCF detects a curve file to read in using the pattern string ".cur" at the end of the name. The curves are read in, styles are applied, and the image is plotted. The curves are then deleted.

The user can use wildcards ("*") in the tag names to select multiple curves for plotting.

bit d.bmp	#1 #3 CRV2 ## #2 #4 head_accn	Title 2nd axis example
	(2 curves on 1st yaxis and 3 on 2nd yaxis)	(Title)
bit h.bmp	#1 #3 CRV2 style ONE xax 0 5E-3	Time Title Head
	(curves) (style to apply) (xaxis min and max)	(XLabel) (Title)
bit l.bmp	#1 #100 reference.cur line.cur #1000	style reference
	(curves and curve files to plot)	(style to apply)
bmp test.bmp	accn*	
	(all curves with tags beginning with "accn")	

Description	keyword	second word	following words	following words
Bitmap	bit / bmp	filename	curve(s)	additional formatting
Bitmap (uncompressed)	bit_u / bmp_u	filename	curve(s)	additional formatting
Jpeg	jpg / jpeg	filename	curve(s)	additional formatting



Pixel map	ppm	filename	curve(s)	additional formatting
B & W postscript	post	filename	curve(s)	additional formatting
Colour postscript	cpost	filename	curve(s)	additional formatting

Additional format	format word	following word #1	following word #2	notes
Style application	sty	style name	-	Curves have styles applied in the order they were defined
Title	tit	title word #1	title word #2 etc	Takes following words as a title until another keyword is found
X axis options	xax	if numeric #1 - xaxis min	if numeric #2 - xaxis max	Takes following words as a label until another keyword is found
		otherwise xaxis label	otherwise xaxis label	
Y axis options	yax	if numeric #1 - yaxis min	if numeric #2 - yaxis max	Takes following words as a label until another keyword is found
		otherwise yaxis label	otherwise yaxis label	
2nd Y axis options	2ya	if numeric #1 - yaxis min	if numeric #2 - yaxis max	Takes following words as a label until another keyword is found
		otherwise yaxis label	otherwise yaxis label	



10.14. Outputting Curve Properties to Text Files, Variables and REPORTER

Outputting curve properties to text files, variables and REPORTER

These requests output a curve property (eg its maximum Y value) into a specified tabulation file, to a REPORTER variable in a text file, or into a variable within FAST-TCF.

Output type	keyword	2nd word	3rd word	4th word	extra words	Format (optional)	variable word	variable name	description words	Notes
Tabulation file	tab	filename	curve #	property to output	if value is needed	format	varf	variable name	description	
Tabulation file append	taba	filename	curve #	property to output	if value is needed	format	varf	variable name	description	
Tabulation file (csv)	tabc	filename	curve #	property to output	if value is needed	format	varf	variable name	description	Each output is appended to the current line in the file.
Tabulation file (csv)	tabcr	filename	curve #	property to output	if value is needed	format	varf	variable name	description	Each output is appended to the current line in the file, followed by a carriage



										return so that the next output starts a new line.
FAST-TCF variable	varf	variabl e name	curv e #	proper ty to output	if value s need ed	format	-	-	descriptio n	
REPORTER variable	var	variabl e name	curv e #	proper ty to output	if value s need ed	format	varf	variabl e name	descriptio n	
REPORTER	vara	variabl	curv	proper	if	format	varf	variabl	descriptio	



10.14.1. Available Curve Properties

Available Curve Properties

Various advanced requests can be performed (e.g. first non-zero Y, maximum in a window) and the table below describes them in more detail. Requests which require inputs (e.g. t1 and t2 of a window) take the default values in the table if the following words do not appear to be numbers, or if no following words exist.

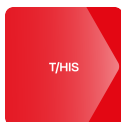
Property to output	property word	value words	notes
Minimum x	minx	-	-
Maximum x	maxx	-	-
Minimum y	min	-	-
X at minimum y	xatmin	-	-
Y at minimum x	yatmin	-	-
Minimum y in window t1 t2	minw	t1 and t2	default t1=-1E19 and t2=+1E19
X at minimum y in window t1 t2	xminw	t1 and t2	default t1=-1E19 and t2=+1E19
Maximum y	max	-	-
X at maximum y	xatmax	-	-
Y at maximum x	yatmax	-	-
Maximum y in window t1 t2	maxw	t1 and t2	default t1=-1E19 and t2=+1E19
X at maximum y in window t1 t2	xmaxw	t1 and t2	default t1=-1E19 and t2=+1E19
Average in window t1 t2	ave	t1 and t2	default t1=-1E19 and t2=+1E19
Hic	hic	-	-
t1 of Hic window	hict1	-	-
t2 of Hic window	hict2	-	-
Hicd	hicd	-	-
t1 of Hicd window	hicdt1	-	-
t2 of Hicd window	hicdt2	-	-
3ms	3ms	-	-
t1 of 3ms window	3mst1	-	-
t2 of 3ms window	3mst2	-	-
Y at X	yatx	x value	default xvalue=-1E19
X when Y is passed after gate time	xygate	y value & gate time	default yvalue=-1E19, gate=+1E19
X at first non-zero Y	xnonz	-	nonzero = 1/1000000th of curve max



X at last non-zero Y	xfail	-	nonzero = 1/1000000th of curve max
Y value at last non-zero Y	yfail	-	nonzero = 1/1000000th of curve max
TTI	tti	-	-
Error Function - Max difference & time	max_err	-	-
Error Function - Difference as a %age of reference	pc_err	-	-
Error Function - Difference as a %age of peak reference	pc_max_err	-	-
Error Function - Average Difference	av_err	-	-
Error Function - Average Difference as a %age of peak reference	av_max_err	-	-
Error Function - Area weighted difference	area_err	-	-
Error Function - Max difference & time	err	-	-
Curve Correlation Function	correlate		Returns curve correlation value

There are also variables which relate to properties of all curves rather than specific curves. In this case the 3rd word "curve #" should be replaced by "all".

Property to output	property word	value words	notes
Minimum x over all curves	all_minx	-	-
Maximum x over all curves	all_maxx	-	-
Minimum y over all curves	all_miny	-	-
X at minimum y over all curves	all_xatmin	-	-
Maximum y over all curves	all_maxy	-	-
X at maximum y over all curves	all_xatmax	-	-
Curve number of curve containing minimum y over all curves	all_catmin	-	-
Curve number of curve	all_catmax	-	-



10.14.2. Writing Out Curve Properties to a Text "Tabulation" File

Writing out curve properties to a text "tabulation" file

This is achieved using the "**tabulation**" command. This automatically overwrites any existing file in the output directory, but only on the **first occurrence** in the input script. If this is not desired then use the "**taba**" command which will append an existing file on the first tab call.

The command "**tabc**" is available from T/HIS 9.2 onwards. This command appends the data into CSV format on the last line in the file. The first call to this command writes a **new line** to the file, and the subsequent calls append the end of this line. This enables the user to compare runs on a line by line basis in software such as Microsoft Excel.

Some examples of writing out curve properties to a text file are below:

e.g.	tab output.txt	#1	max	max y of curve #1
	(file output.txt)	(curve number)	(maximum Y)	(description)
	tab output.txt	node_head_accn	maxw	1.00E-03 30.00E-3
	(file output.txt)	(curve tag)	(max Y in window)	(window t1) (window t2)
	taba output.txt	node_head_accn	min	
	(append output.txt)	(curve tag)	(minimum Y)	

Properties for multiple curves can be output by specifying either multiple "tab" commands or by using a curve tag containing wildcards or a curve group.

e.g.	tab output.txt	node_*	max	maximum y value
	(file output.txt)	(all curves with a tag starting with node_)	(maximum Y)	(description)
	tab output.txt	&group_1	max	maximum y value
	(file output.txt)	(all curves in group)	(maximum)	(description)



10.14.3. Writing Out REPORTER Variables

Writing out REPORTER variables

REPORTER can write curve properties to its reports, so FAST-TCF needs to output a text file that REPORTER can interrogate to find out the curve properties it needs. To tell FAST-TCF to output a REPORTER variable, the keyword "**varr**" is used (for backwards compatibility "**var**" is sufficient). Use "**vara**" to append to an existing file.

e.g. varr head_hic	#1	hic	hic result for head node
(REPORTER variable %head_hic%)	(curve number 1)	(output request)	(description)
e.g. vara max_y	#1	max	maximum y value
(REPORTER variable	(curve	(output	(description)



10.14.4. Setting Up New FAST-TCF Variables to Contain Curve Properties

Setting up new FAST-TCF variables to contain curve properties

If you wish to use a curve property as a new variable within FAST-TCF - there are two ways you can achieve this.

1. Use the keyword "**varf**". This should be used when the user doesn't also require the value to be outputted into a text file or a REPORTER file.
2. Within a "**tab**", "**taba**", "**tabc**" or "**varr**" line, use the word "**varf**" just **before** the description words. The variable name is defined as the word after "**varf**".

The variable value is equal to the return value of the request. The variable can then be used in any subsequent lines of FAST-TCF.

For instance, the simplest way to set the variable **MAX_ACCN** to the max of curve #1 is:

```
varf MAX_ACCN #1 max
```

However, if the user wishes to combine writing a property to a text file and defining a variable in FAST-TCF, this syntax could be used:

```
tab output.txt #1 max varf MAX_ACCN
```



10.14.5. Format

Format

From T/HIS 9.3 onwards, the format used to display the value can be controlled by adding an optional "format" keyword after the property to be output and any additional inputs that property requires. The format should be specified directly after the "format" keyword and should use standard "C" programming syntax to specify a floating point format using either f,e,E,g or G format specifiers.

e.g.	tab output.txt head	max	max y of curve #1	
	(file output.txt)	(curve tag)	(maximum Y)	(description)
	tab output.txt head	max	format %6.3f	max y of curve #1
	(file output.txt)	(curve tag)	(maximum Y)	(format) (description)
	tab output.txt head	max	format %.3f	max y of curve #1
	(file output.txt)	(curve tag)	(maximum Y)	(format) (description)

Example formats

Number	Format	Output
12.3456	%5.2f	12.35
12.3456	%7.3e	1.2345e+01
12.3456	%7.3E	1.2345E+01
2345678.9	%.0f	2345678
2345678.9	%6.5g	2.3457e+06
2345678.9	%6.5G	2.3457E+06
-0.000013583	%4.3e	-1.358E-05



10.14.6. Description

Description

From T/HIS 9.3 onwards, the description specified as part of the output for a curve property can contain the following keywords that will automatically be replaced with the corresponding curve property.

keyword	Curve Property
{tag}	FAST-TCF curve tag
{label}	Curve label
{id}	Entity ID that the curve was created from
{model}	Model ID curve was created from

e.g. `tab`
`output.txt` `head` `max` `Max accl of node {id}`
(file (curve (maximum (description)
output.txt) tag) Y)
`tab`
`output.txt` `head` `max` `Model {model} max accl of node {id}`
(file (curve (maximum (description)



10.15. FAST-TCF Curve Output

FAST-TCF CURVE OUTPUT

Curves can be written out to either T/HIS curve files or CSV files from within a FAST-TCF script by using either the "**app**", "**cop**", "**csv**" or "**csv2**" keyword.

Description	keyword	second word	third word		notes
Copy into file	cop	filename	curve list	-	will overwrite any previous file
Append into file	app	filename	curve list	-	will append any previous file
CSV file TYPE 1	csv	filename	curve list	-	will overwrite any previous csv file. CSV has the format X1,Y1,X2,Y2,X3,Y3
CSV file TYPE 2	csv2	filename	curve list	last word = auto	will overwrite any previous csv file. CSV has the format X1,Y1,Y2,Y3 x axis interval is taken from curve #1 if all curves are chosen
				2nd last word = x start time last word = x axis interval	will overwrite any previous csv file. CSV has the format X1,Y1,Y2,Y3 start time and interval are defined in the line

The curve list for all of these commands can contain either curve tags (with or without wildcards), curve numbers (prefixed with #), curve groups or '*' to select all curves.

e.g. `copy output_file.cur curve_1 &"group 1"`

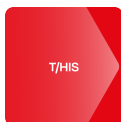
(Write "curve_1" and all the curves in curve group "group 1" to a new file "output_file.cur")

`append output_file.cur curve_1 &"group 1"`

(Append "curve_1" and all the curves in curve group "group 1" to the file "output_file.cur")

`csv output.csv curve_1* curve_2*`

(Write all curves with tags that start with "curve_1" or "curve_2" to a CSV called "output.csv")



NOTE : There is no limit to the number of curves that can be output to a file but there is a limit to the number of items that can be specified in the curve list (currently 100). If more than 100 curves are to be output to a file then a [curve group](#) containing all of the curves should be created and used within the curve list. Alternatively if the curves are being written to a T/HIS curve file then the first 100 curves can be output using the "cop" keyword and then additional curves can be appended to the file using the "app" keyword.

Specifying curves using Curve Numbers

When outputting curves to a file a range of explicit curve numbers can be specified using the syntax `#start:#end` . This option only applies to curve numbers because curve tags can be defined in an arbitrary order.

CSV files

If a CSV/CSV2 file is written out from within a FAST-TCF script then by default it will contain rows containing UNIT information for the curves if UNITS have been defined. This additional information can be turned off if it isn't required (see [Curve Unit Systems](#)).



10.16. FAST-TCF ADDITIONAL

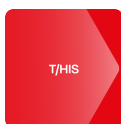
10.16.1. T/HIS Preferences and Additional Commands

T/HIS preferences and additional commands

There are a number of additional commands that improve the functionality of FAST-TCF such as labeling, resetting values, tagging curves and defining variables. All following words must be on the same line. The variables section is explained in more detail [below](#).

e.g.	report	3ms	err	hic
		(FAST-TCF.clp written to)	(FAST-TCF.err written to)	(FAST-TCF.hic written to)
	define	file	lsda	
			(define lsda as default file)	
	copy	output.cur	#1	
		(file name)	(copy curve #1 into file name)	
	define	var	date	30_Nov_2005
		(define variable)	(variable name)	(variable value)

Description	keyword	second word	third word	fourth word	notes
Autoscale plot	ac	-	-	-	for use in interactive playback
Auto update plot	auto	on or off	-	-	whether to auto update the plot on data read / font updates and so on. Please note this is reset to ON after any font definition.
Plot graphs	plot	-	-	-	for use in interactive playback
Append into file	app	filename	curve name	-	will append any previous file
Condense	condense	-	-	-	Condense the curve numbers
Convert	convert	on or off			Automatically convert curves from ms units to s(econds) before applying any filters and then convert back again.



Define FAST-TCF variable	def	var	name (without "\$")	value	see FAST-TCF variables section
Define error fail value	def	err	error value (integer)	-	default is 10 errors before T/HIS will stop
Define default file	def	file	lsda ascii xtf thf default	-	will always check that T/HIS can get the output from this file, if not then the original default file will be chosen (see data extraction table). This file can still be overwritten on the actual input line
Define default title	def	tit	title word 1	title word 2 etc	
Define user line	def	user	user line number (1 to 6)	font size (8 to 24)	rest of line is the label
Define surface integration	def	surf	shell / beam / thickshell	layer number	t = top, m = middle, b = bottom, or use a number for the integration point (see INPUT FOR DATA EXTRACTION REQUESTS)
Define ssd component	def	ssd_comp	amplitude / angle	-	Define which value is read for each data component in a Steady State Dynamics (ssd) analysis (see INPUT FOR DATA EXTRACTION REQUESTS)
CSV field separator	def	csv_separator	comma tab space		used to change the field separator before reading a CSV file.
Delete	del	curve #1 to curve #n	-	-	Delete curves
Exit reading file	exit	-	-	-	stops reading file here



ISO MME curve label format	isolabel	"label" or "code"	-	-	sets the curve label format when reading ISO MME data
Model set	mod	model # or "no" or "all"	-	-	sets the model number for extracting curve data
Regularise filtering	reg	time interval, or "off"	-	-	sets the auto regularise interval and turns it on, or turns it off
Report files written	rep	3ms	-	-	To turn off see the reset2 keyword
		asi			
		err			
		hic			
		thiv			
		tti			
Reset	reset1	-	-	-	All curves and curve tags deleted
	reset2	-	-	-	Plot setup defaulted and all style definitions removed. Report files not written
	reset3	-	-	-	Variable names and default title removed
User-defined colours	col	colour number (1-6)	RRGGBB (6-digit hexadecimal)	-	6-digit hexadecimal format for rgb colour values.
	col_rgb	colour number (1-6)	r g b (3 integers in	-	Seperate integer format for rgb colour values.



10.16.2. Limits

Limits

Description	limit
word limit per line	80 words
include file name	150 characters
tag length	60 characters



10.16.3. Variables

Variables

Variable names can only have "a-z", "0-9" and "_" in them. Variables can be inserted anywhere in the script, FAST-TCF will replace any variables with their corresponding values before processing the line, for example:

```
define var output displacement
define var nod_id 12345678
define var xscale 0.001

node $nod_id $output x xscale $xscale
```

converts into:

```
node 12345678 displacement x xscale 0.001
```

Variable definitions can contain several words or other variables, and these will be joined together to form the final variable value, for example:

```
define var day 31st
define var month january
define var year 2099
define var date $day _ $month _ $year
```

creates the variable **date** with value **31st_january_2099**

Because variables cannot have anything other than "a-z", "0-9" and "_" in them, it is possible to use variables within strings:

```
define var analysis run01_vers2

read january_$analysis.cur
```

converts into

```
read january_run01_vers2.cur
```

However, sometimes the user may want to insert a variable within other alphanumeric words, in these circumstances use a "\$\$" terminator to designate the end of the variable name:

```
define var analysis xyz_run01
read $analysis$$_x.cur
```

converts into

```
read xyz_run01_x.cur
```

There are several built in variables, and these depend on the system and command line used to run FAST-TCF, they can be checked on the dialogue T/HIS prints before starting:



\$run_name	This is the basename of the key file in for the 1st model directory (should there be one). If a script refers to multiple models then \$run_name N (where N is the model number) can be used for each model.
\$run_dir	This is the full pathname of the directory containing the output files for a model. If a script refers to multiple models then \$run_dir N (where N is the model number) can be used for each model.
\$run_title	This is the title of the analysis found in the output files. If a script refers to multiple models then \$run_title N (where N is the model number) can be used for each model.
\$ftcf_script	This is the name of the FAST-TCF that is being run
\$ftcf_script_dir	This is the name of the directory containing the FAST-TCF that is being run
\$ftcf_dir	This is the name of the current working directory.
\$ftcf_path	This is the full pathname of the current working directory.
\$ftcf_startin_dir	This is the full pathname of the directory that T/HIS was started in.

FASTTCF called

```
=====
Fasttcf script:      C:\example\test.inp
tmp file:           C:\example\other_folder\test.tmp
tcf file:           C:\example\other_folder\test.tcf
report file:        C:\example\other_folder\test.rep
$FTCF_SCRIPT variable:      test.inp
$FTCF_SCRIPT_DIR variable:  C:\example\n$FTCF_DIR variable:
                             other_folder
$FTCF_PATH variable:  C:\example\other_folder
$RUN_TITLE var:       lg09 : Large Test 9: Belted sled test
$RUN_NAME var: new_lg09
$RUN_DIR var:  E:\test\sled
$RUN_TITLE1 var:      lg09 : Large Test 9: Belted sled test
$RUN_NAME1 var:       new_lg09
$RUN_DIR1 var:  E:\test\sled
```



10.16.4. Notes and Presumptions

Notes and Presumptions

- Curves must be in the format: #<curve number> to differentiate between curves and constants
- Any image will be overwritten if it already exists in the run area
- Curves are always labeled and then written to files, any other options are done in the order of input on the line
- If your line is getting too long, use a "\" to designate a continuation line - FAST-TCF will then join the lines together before processing



11. Search (Quick Find)

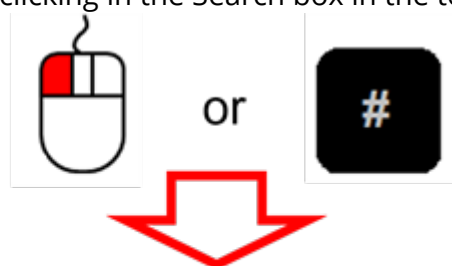
11.1. Introduction

Introduction

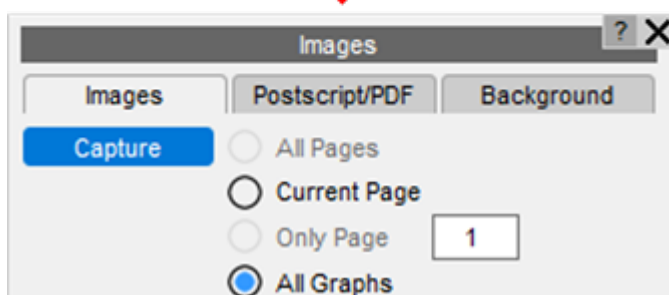
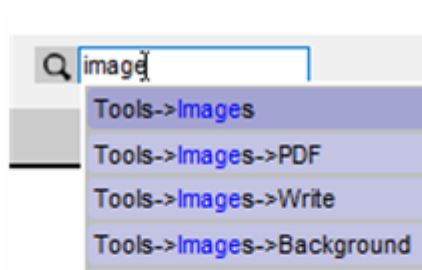
Quick Find can be used to search for and quickly:

- Go to menus / functionality
- Open tutorials

It can be accessed by clicking in the Search box in the top bar or by pressing the '#' key.



Typing in the textbox brings up a list of found items that match the entered text. Items in the list can be selected by clicking on them or by using the up and down arrow keys and pressing enter. The selected item will then perform the task, e.g. open a menu.



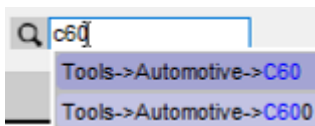


11.2. Fuzzy Matching

Fuzzy Matching

A 'fuzzy' matching method is used to match the entered text with the searchable items. It judges that something has matched when the characters of the entered text appear in the same order as the item that can be searched for.

For example if you type 'c60' then 'Tools->Automotive-> **C60** ' would be a match, but 'Tools->Automotive-> **C1000** ' wouldn't because the '6' doesn't match. (Note that the search is case insensitive).



Additionally, if the entered search pattern contains spaces and the characters do not all match in the same order then T/HIS will look to see if the words can be swapped to find a match.

For example 'back image' would find 'Image->Background' even though the words do not appear in that order.

This hopefully makes it easier to find items as you do not need to know the precise search term.

The found items are listed in order of how closely they match the entered text so items that more closely match appear nearer the top of the list. It determines this by assigning a score to each match, with higher scores given to items that contain consecutively matched characters and if the characters appear at the start of words.

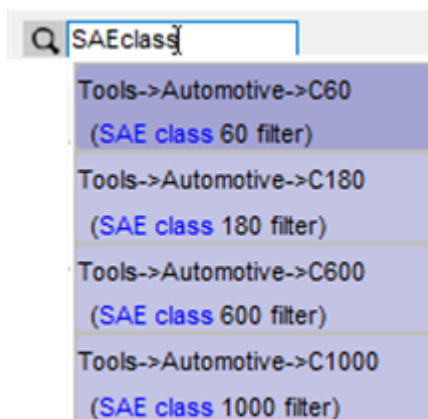


11.3. Search Terms

Search Terms

The default search term associated with a menu item is the trail of menus/buttons you would need to manually open/press, e.g. to get to the C60 filter you would need to go to **Tools**, then **Automotive** then **C60**, hence the search term 'Tools->Automotive->C60'.

In addition, some menus have alternative search terms associated with them. For example C60 can also be found from the alternative text 'SAE class 60 filter':



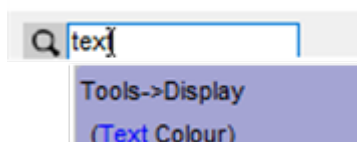
This can be useful for cases where you don't know or can't remember under which menu some functionality lives.

Note that the alternative text appears in brackets under the default search term so you can see how you would get to the menu manually.

If you can't find menus that you know exist in T/HIS it is likely that you are using different terminology to what we expect. If so, please contact Oasys Ltd Support and we can add alternative text based on what you are entering as your search text.

Alternative text associated with a menu may also describe some of the features on a menu. For example the text colour is set in the Display menu, but if you didn't know this it would be hard to find.

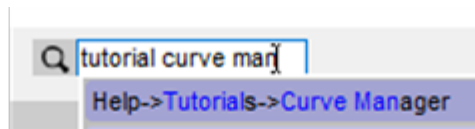
In this case the alternative text 'Text Colour' is associated with this menu:



11.4. Tutorials

Tutorials

The full installation of the Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software contains some pdf tutorials for various features within the software. They are installed in the \$OA_INSTALL/manuals/tutorials/this directory and can be found and opened using Quick Find.



Blanking

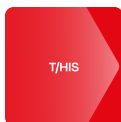
Curves can be managed using the curve manager. To access the curve manager menu, click the 'Curves' menu button.

Within the 'Curve Manager' menu, the curves that are plotted can be blanked or unblanked. One way of blanking the curves is to click on the red/green buttons (red=blanked).

When blanking/un-blanking curves using this method, it is important to refresh T/HIS in order to display the changes carried out. This is done by pressing the 'Spacebar' button on a keyboard.

Also pressing the 'A' button on a keyboard will auto scale the graph and refresh T/HIS.



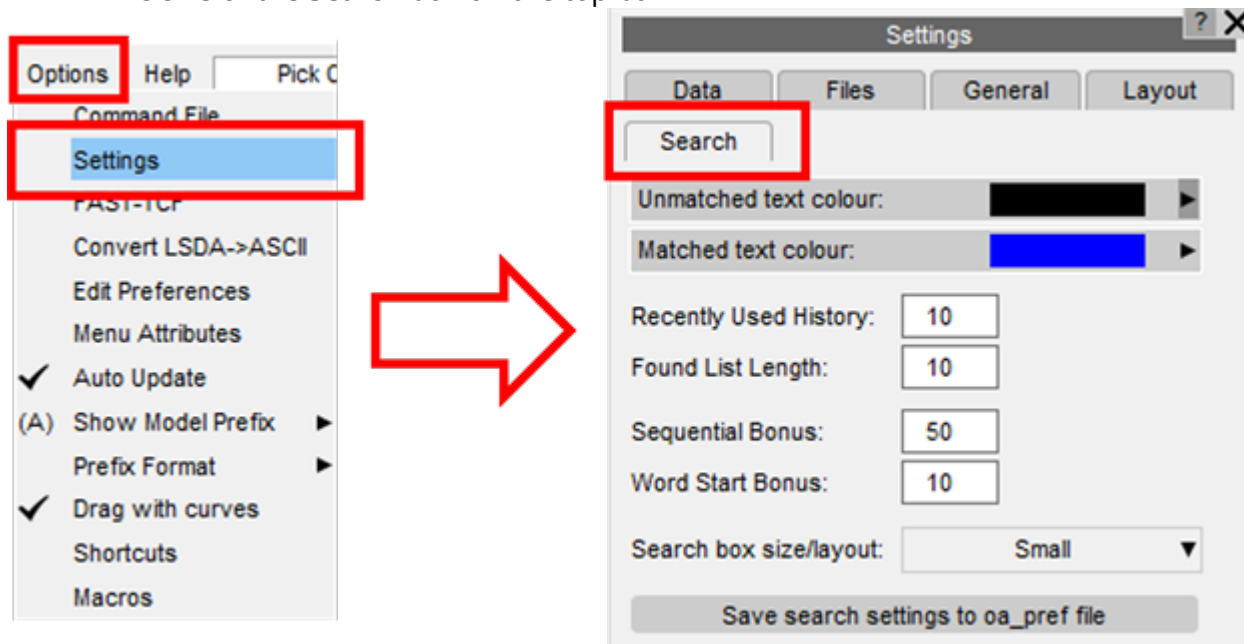


11.5. Options

Options

There are a few options that can be set to alter how Quick Find works. These can be accessed by pressing the **Options** -> **Settings** button and choosing the **Search** tab.

- Save settings to the oa_pref file
- Set the text colours for matched and unmatched characters
- Recently selected items are saved by T/HIS and appear higher in the list of available options. By default the last ten selected items are saved, but this can be changed here. To turn it off set it to zero.
- Set the maximum number of found items to display in the list
- The size of the Search box on the top bar



12. REPORTER Integration

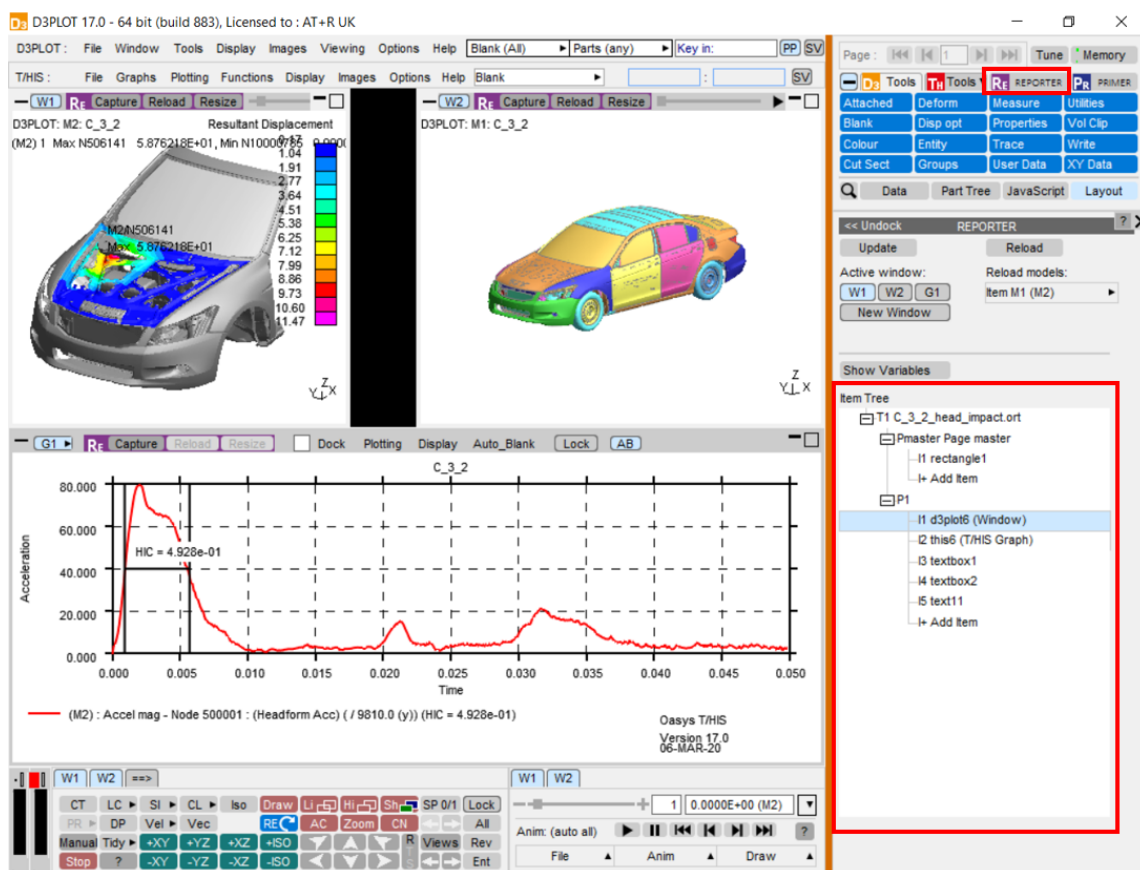
REPORTER INTEGRATION

This section describes how to work with D3PLOT, T/HIS and REPORTER to quickly and easily create reports from results.

12.1. Linking the Programs

Linking the Programs

REPORTER can be opened from D3PLOT and T/HIS using the REPORTER button in the top-right. This opens a linked session of REPORTER, allowing reports to be interactively created and edited. Both D3PLOT and T/HIS can be opened from inside REPORTER too, using the program buttons in the top bar of REPORTER. REPORTER can be connected to both D3PLOT and T/HIS at the same time and the D3PLOT->T/HIS link is also supported. Graphs in T/HIS are treated the same as graphs in a D3PLOT->T/HIS linked session.





12.2. Item Tree

Item Tree

Once a template is opened in REPORTER, all items in the template will appear in the Item Tree in the REPORTER panel in D3PLOT or T/HIS. Selecting an item in the Item Tree will select the corresponding item in REPORTER and vice-versa.

The Item Tree can include items of all types in REPORTER, such as textboxes and images, as well as D3PLOT, T/HIS and PRIMER items. Only placeholders, D3PLOT items and T/HIS items can be overwritten with new D3PLOT or T/HIS items. Placeholder items exist to allow a layout to be created for the report before populating it and can be converted into any other item type.

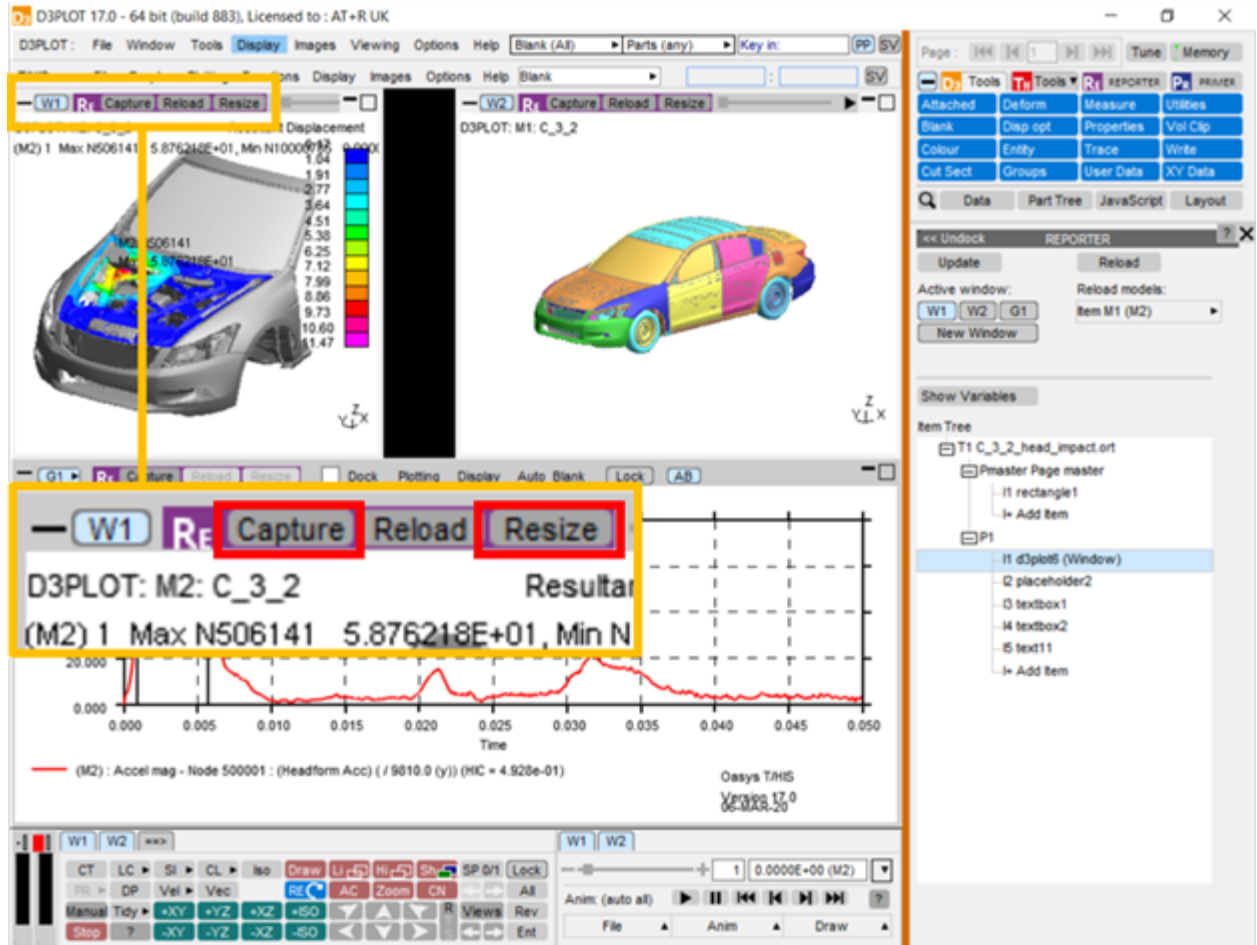
12.3. Capture

Capture

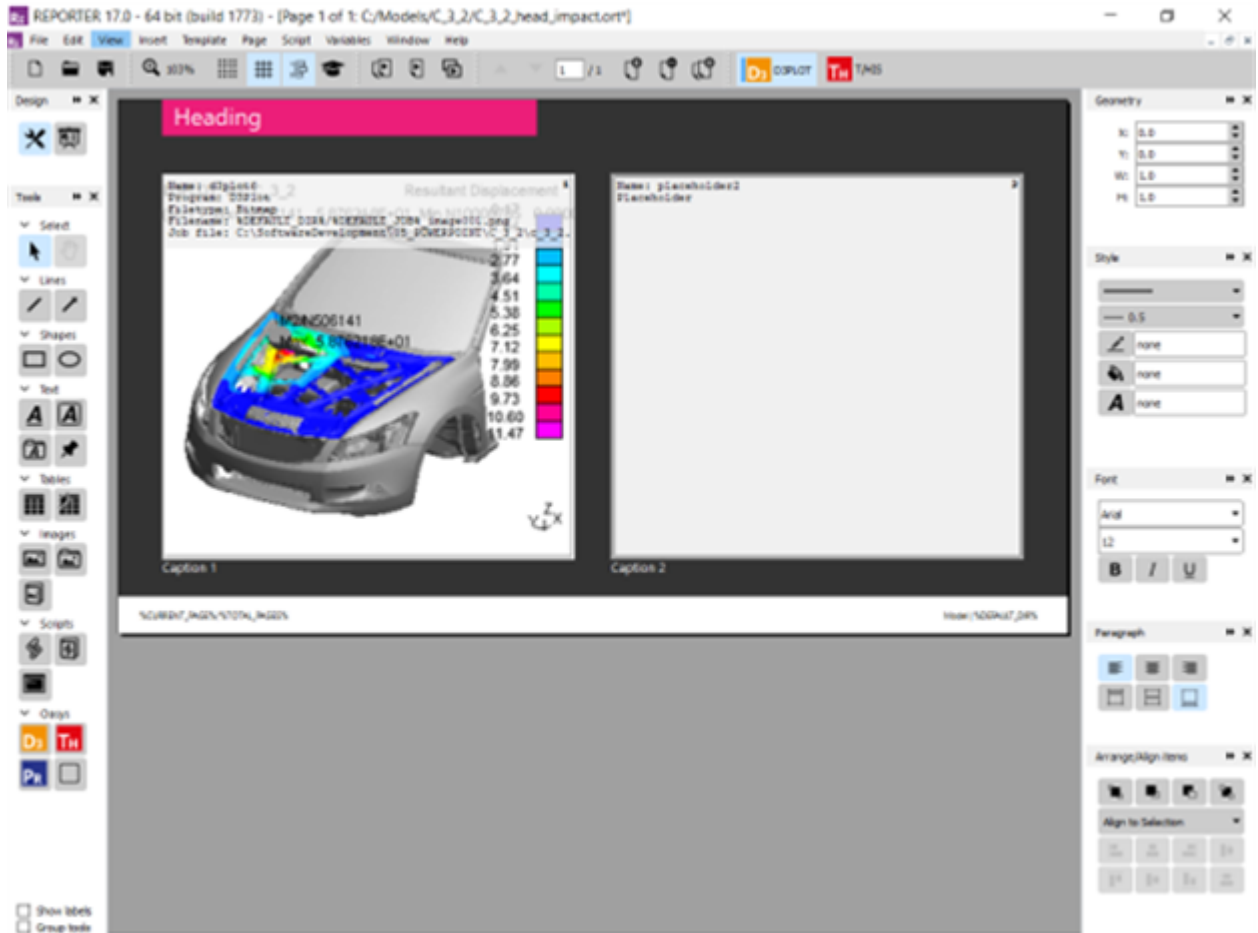
Windows and graphs can be captured into REPORTER, saving an image together with additional information to allow the capture to be reloaded later. For D3PLOT windows, this is a properties and settings file. For T/HIS graphs, this is a FAST-TCF script. Graphs captured in the D3PLOT->T/HIS link are treated exactly the same as graphs in T/HIS, so the resulting items will be identical. [Variables](#) containing useful values related to the models or curves in the captured window can be added to the item before capturing (see [Variables](#)).

Note that in the version 17.0 method, only single windows and graphs can be captured. The intention being that the windows and graphs are easily captured individually and laid out in REPORTER with greater flexibility.

In order to capture a window, first select the target item in REPORTER, either selecting it directly in REPORTER or using the item tree. You can capture into a new item by selecting 'I+ Add Item' in the item tree. Once the item is selected, the 'Resize' button on the top bar of the window can be used to resize the window to match whatever image size is specified on the selected REPORTER item, such as 'Fit object box'. Finally, either press 'Capture' on the top bar of the target window or select the window in the 'Active window' list in the REPORTER panel and press 'Capture' at the top of the panel.



This will send the information to REPORTER and the image will appear on the item.

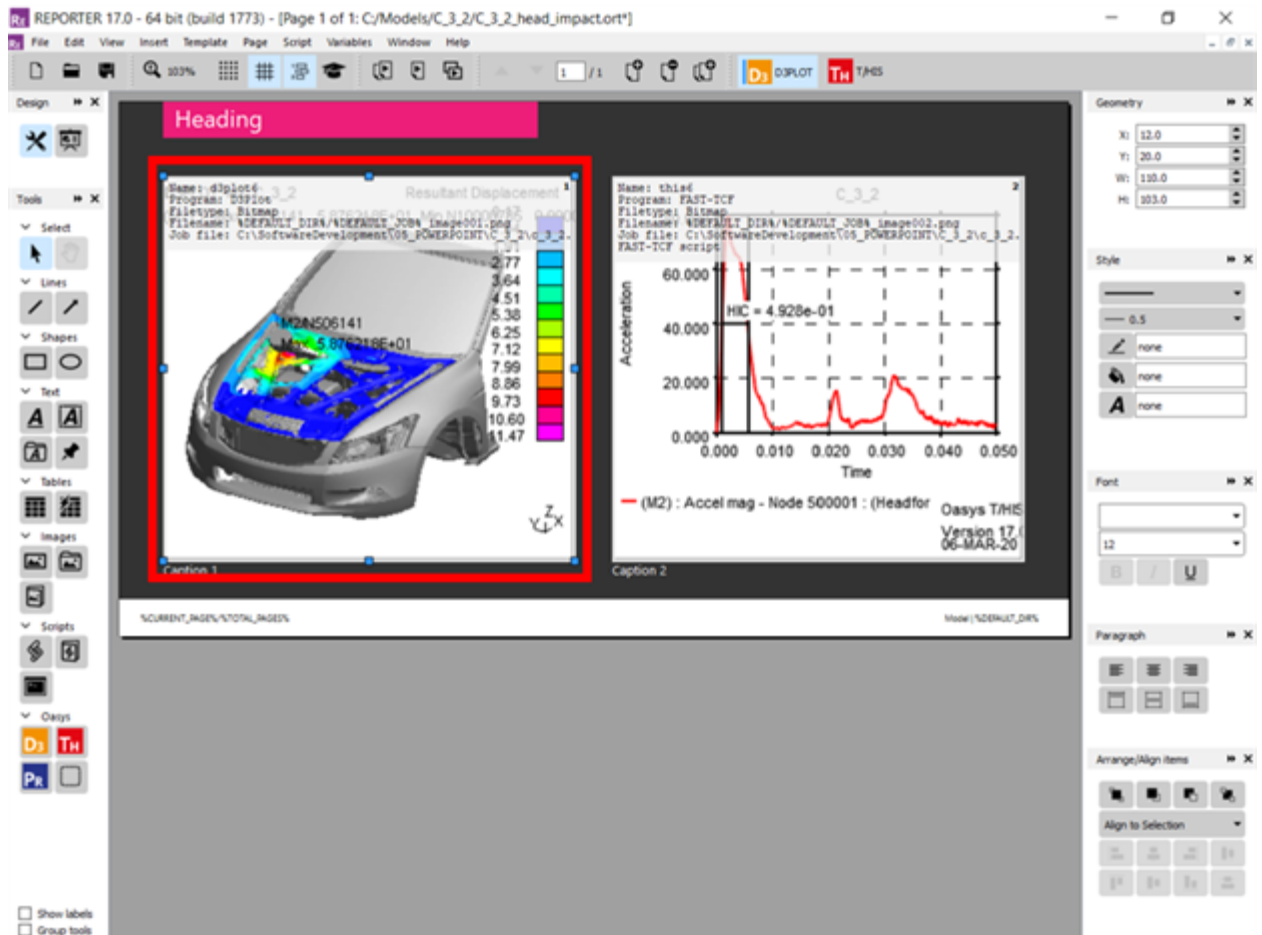


12.4. Reload

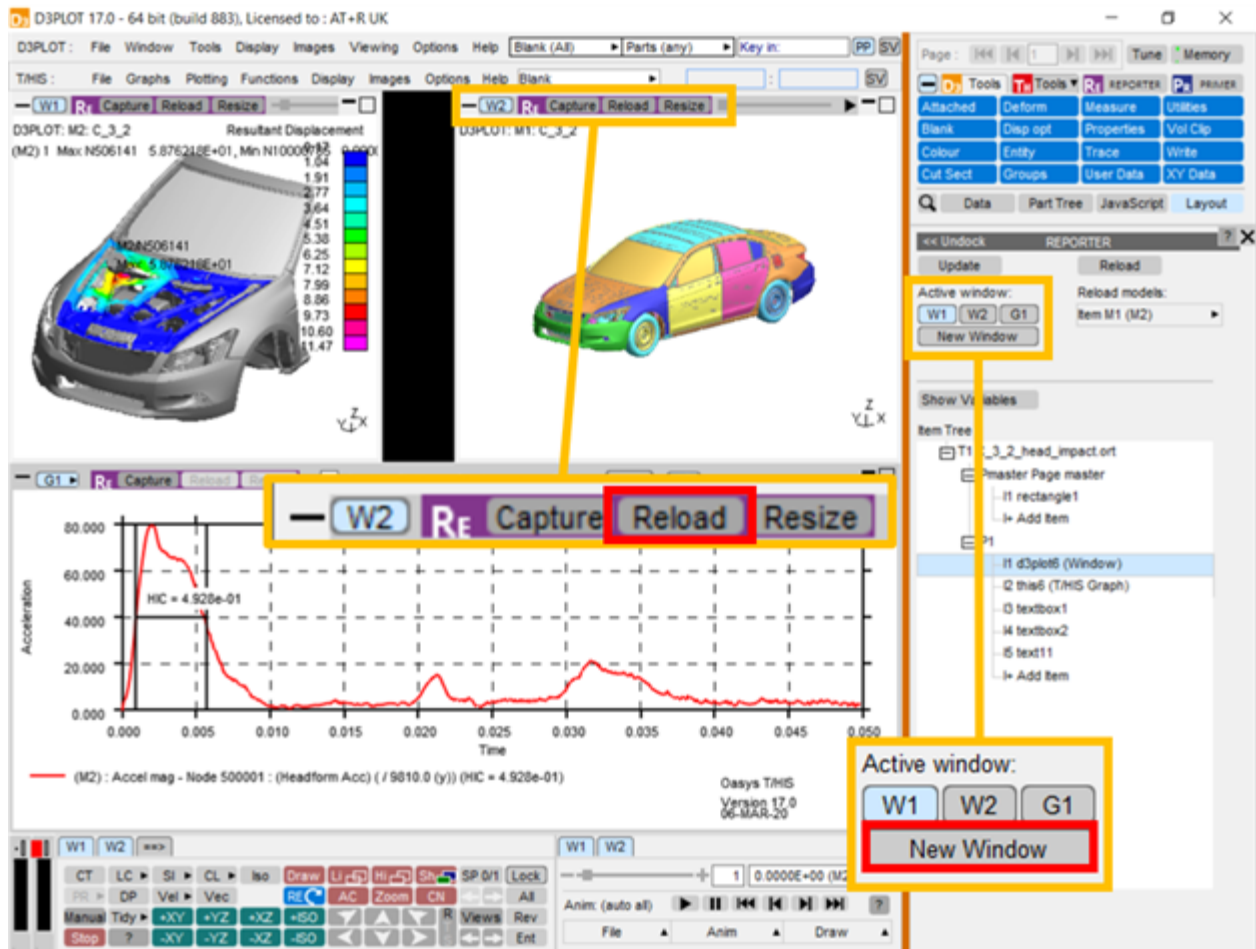
Reload

Existing REPORTER items can be reloaded back into D3PLOT or T/HIS. Items captured from graphs in the D3PLOT->T/HIS link are treated the same as items captured from standalone T/HIS. As such, they can each be reloaded either into D3PLOT or T/HIS.

First select the item in REPORTER that you want to reload.

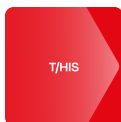


Then either press reload at the top of the target window, or select 'New Window' in the Active window list.



This will clear the target window, open the relevant models, not opening them again if they are already open in the session, then load the stored item information, reproducing the capture.



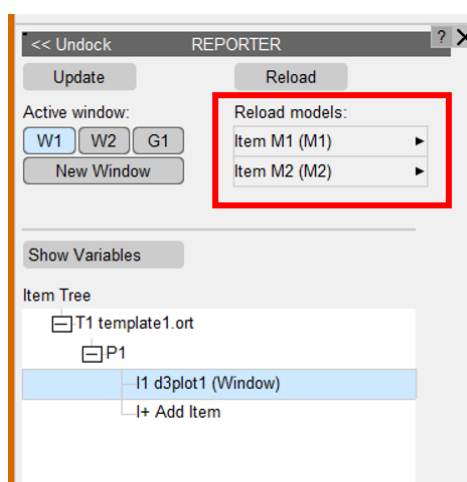


12.4.1. Reload Models

Reload Models

The models used in an existing item are listed in the Reload models list. The models will be listed as Item Mn, where n is the index of the model in the item, not of the model in the session. If the model is also open in the current session, then the model ID in the current session will be displayed in brackets.

Each entry in the list has a popup attached, allowing the model to be replaced either by a model in the current session or by browsing for a model. This will not change the models stored in the item, but instead when the item is reloaded into the current session the replacement models will be used. The resulting window will then need to be captured, either into a new item or to overwrite the original.



12.5. Variables

Variables

Variables can be added to both D3PLOT and T/HIS items, allowing data related to the capture to be made available in REPORTER. The REPORTER panel can be undocked and expanded to display the variables list by selecting Show Variables.

For T/HIS items, variables can be added containing properties of any of the curves in the selected graph or all the curves combined using the All Curves option. By default, T/HIS items will have variables for the MAX and MIN values taken over all curves in the selected graph. When selecting the curve for a newly created variable using the curve popup, curves are referred to as ICn, meaning Item Curve n, where n is the index of the curve in the selected graph. The curve label and number in the current session are also displayed in the popup.



For D3PLOT items, variables can be added for the MAX and MIN values of any of the plotted data components on any of the models. By default, D3PLOT items will have variables for the MAX and MIN values of all plotted data components for each model in the selected window.

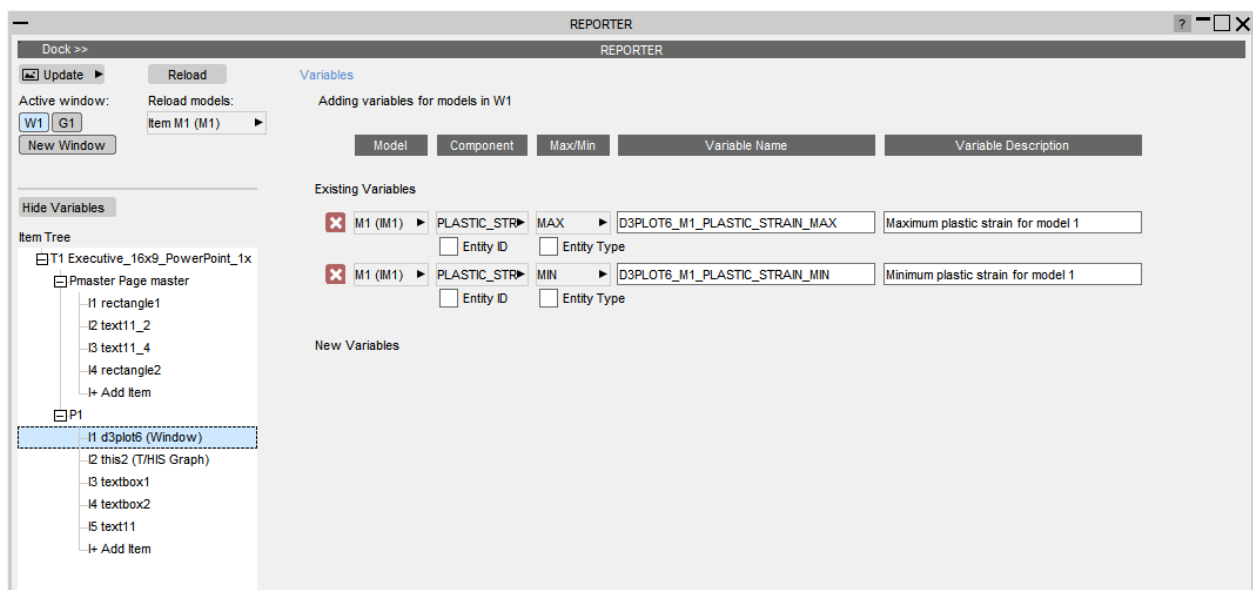
Variables can be added using the + button and deleted using the X button next to the row.

Initially, variables will appear under New Variables until the item is captured, when they will move to Existing Variables. Variables will be given default names based on their item name in REPORTER (e.g. d3plot6_1, this4), variable type and model/curve that they relate to. However, these names and descriptions can be manually edited.

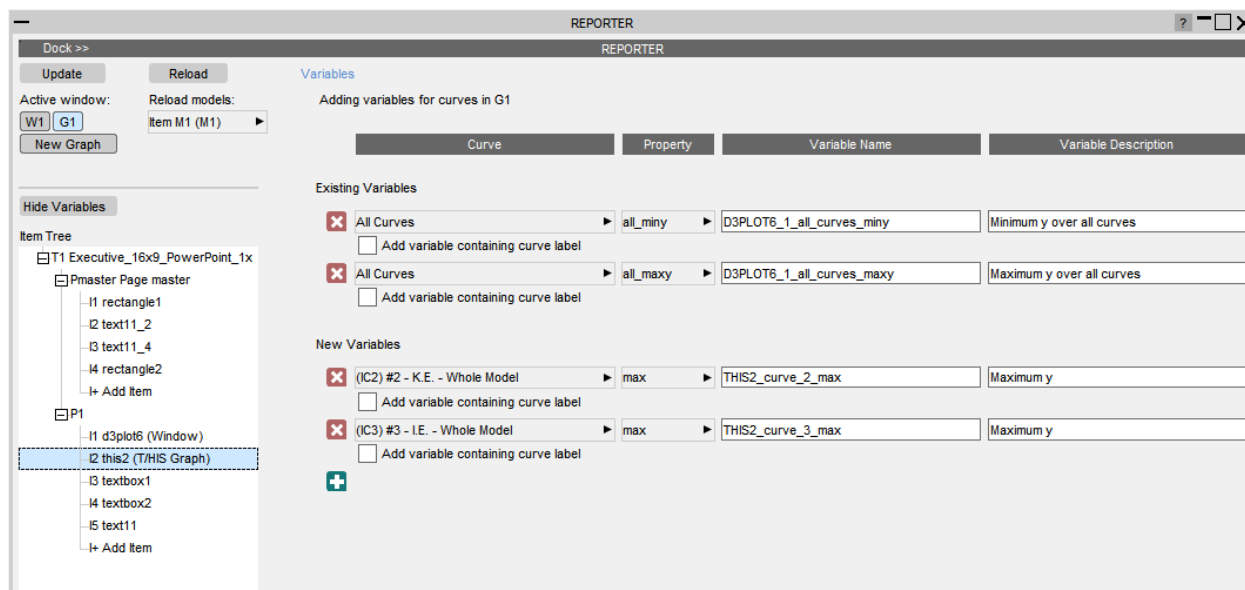
For D3PLOT items, the Entity ID and Entity Type tickboxes can be used to create additional variables to contain this information. These will have the same name as the original variable with either _ENT_ID or _ENT_TYPE appended.

For T/HIS items, the Add variables containing curve label tickbox will create an additional variable containing the curve label of the relevant curve, with _LABEL appended to the name.

Example of a D3PLOT item with two existing variables, referring to models in Window 1.



Example of a T/HIS item with two new variables and two existing variables, referring to curves in Graph 1.



12.6. Generate

Generate

Once a complete template has been created, it can be generated using File >> Generate in REPORTER. This will generate in an existing session if there is one, otherwise a new session will be started. T/HIS items will be generated in standalone T/HIS, unless the T/HIS link is already open in D3PLOT, in which case they will generate in the link. It is faster to generate in standalone T/HIS.

12.7. Exceptions to the Version 17.0 Method and Existing Templates from Version 16.0 and Earlier

Exceptions to the Version 17.0 Method and Existing Templates from Version 16.0 and Earlier

There are some item types that are not supported in the new Version 17.0 method. In this case, the Version 16.0 method will be used and nothing will have changed. These are:

- T/HIS JavaScript items
- Items containing multiple graphs/windows



Any item can be captured and generated using the Version 16.0 method by selecting the Capture and generate this item using the old method option in the object information in REPORTER.

Existing Version 16.0 and earlier templates should work exactly as they used to. All items will use the Version 17.0 method unless they meet one of the specified exceptions above. This gives some additional benefits:

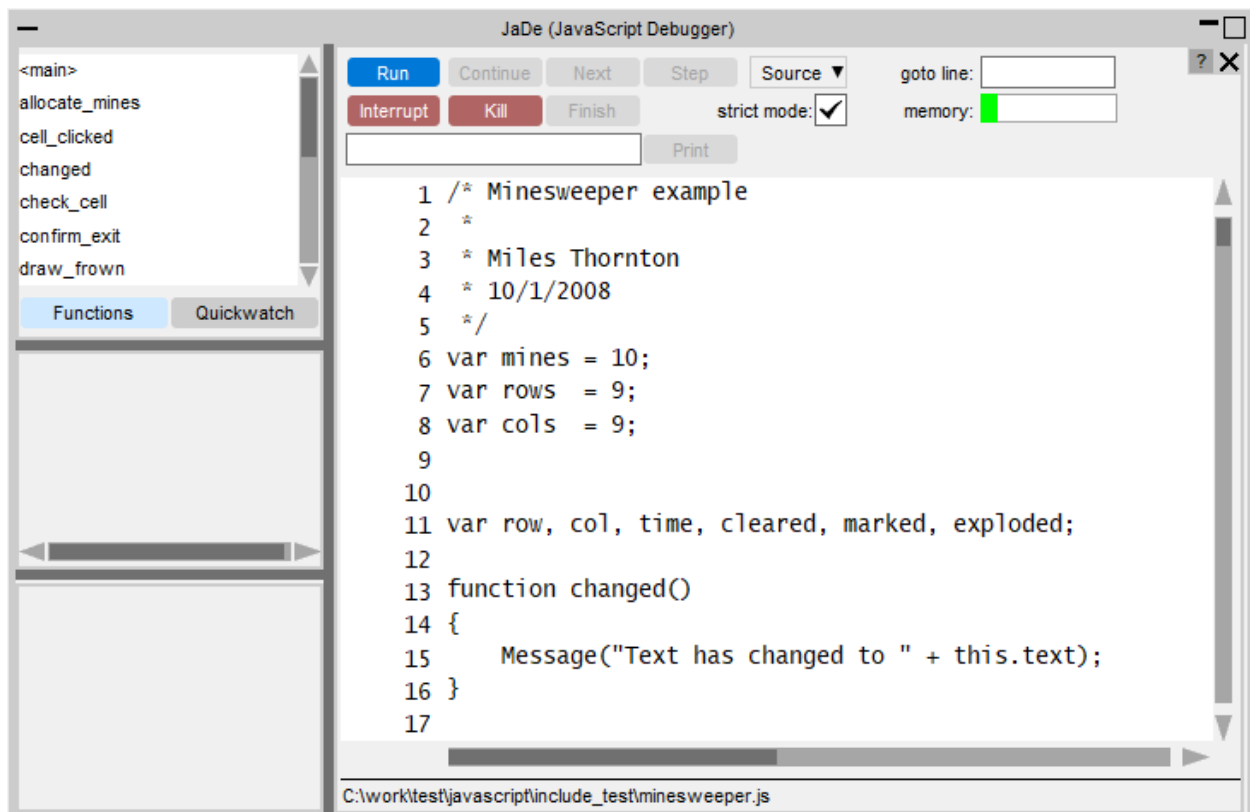
- When generating the report, all supported items will be generated in the same session, without opening the same models multiple times. This will make the process faster.
- The report can be edited interactively using all the perks of the Version 17.0 method.



13. JaDe: The JavaScript debugger

JaDe: The JavaScript debugger

JaDe is included in D3PLOT, PRIMER and T/HIS to help debug and develop JavaScripts. It is started by selecting a script and pressing the **Debug** button in the JavaScript menu in any of the programs. The initial screen is shown below.



It is fairly basic but hopefully has enough functionality for people to be able to find and fix problems in scripts.



13.1. Viewing the Script Files and Functions

Viewing the script files and functions

The main part of the window shows the script file. If your script is broken up into separate file (by using Use) then you can get a list of the different files and view them by using the **Source** popup. To go to a particular line in the file use the **goto line** textbox.

A list of the functions in the script is shown in the **Functions** menu on the top left. If you want to look at a particular function then click on the function name and the main text window will jump to the correct file and line.



13.2. Adding/Removing Breakpoints

Adding/removing breakpoints

A breakpoint is a line in the script where execution will pause in JaDe. To add a breakpoint either left click on the line you want the breakpoint on or right click on the line and select **Create breakpoint** from the popup. A red circle is then drawn on the line to show that there is an active breakpoint.

```
112 function allocate_mines()
113 {
114     var n = mines;
115
116     while (n)
117     {
```

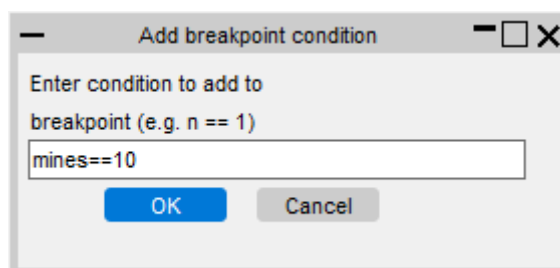
Additionally the breakpoint will also be added to the list in the breakpoint window (bottom left of JaDe). You can click on this at any time and the main text window will jump to the correct file and line.

Active breakpoints are shown with a red circle. Breakpoints can be activated/deactivated by clicking on the line again. Unactive breakpoints are shown as a grey circle instead of a red one. They are also shown in grey text in the breakpoint window .

To delete a breakpoint right click on the line and select **Delete breakpoint**. The breakpoint will be deleted.

Conditional breakpoints

Sometimes it is useful to only stop at a breakpoint if a certain condition is met. For example in the above example we may only want to stop at line 114 if `mines` is 10. You can do this by right clicking on the the breakpoint and selecting **Add condition**.



A window is mapped allowing you type in the condition you want to try to meet. The condition should be a JavaScript expression which evaluates to true if you want the breakpoint to stop execution, or false if you want the breakpoint to be skipped. In this example the condition is `n == 10`.



If a breakpoint has a condition associated with it a C is drawn on the circle and in the breakpoint window. The condition can be edited again or removed by right clicking on the breakpoint and selecting either **Edit condition** or **Remove condition** from the popup.



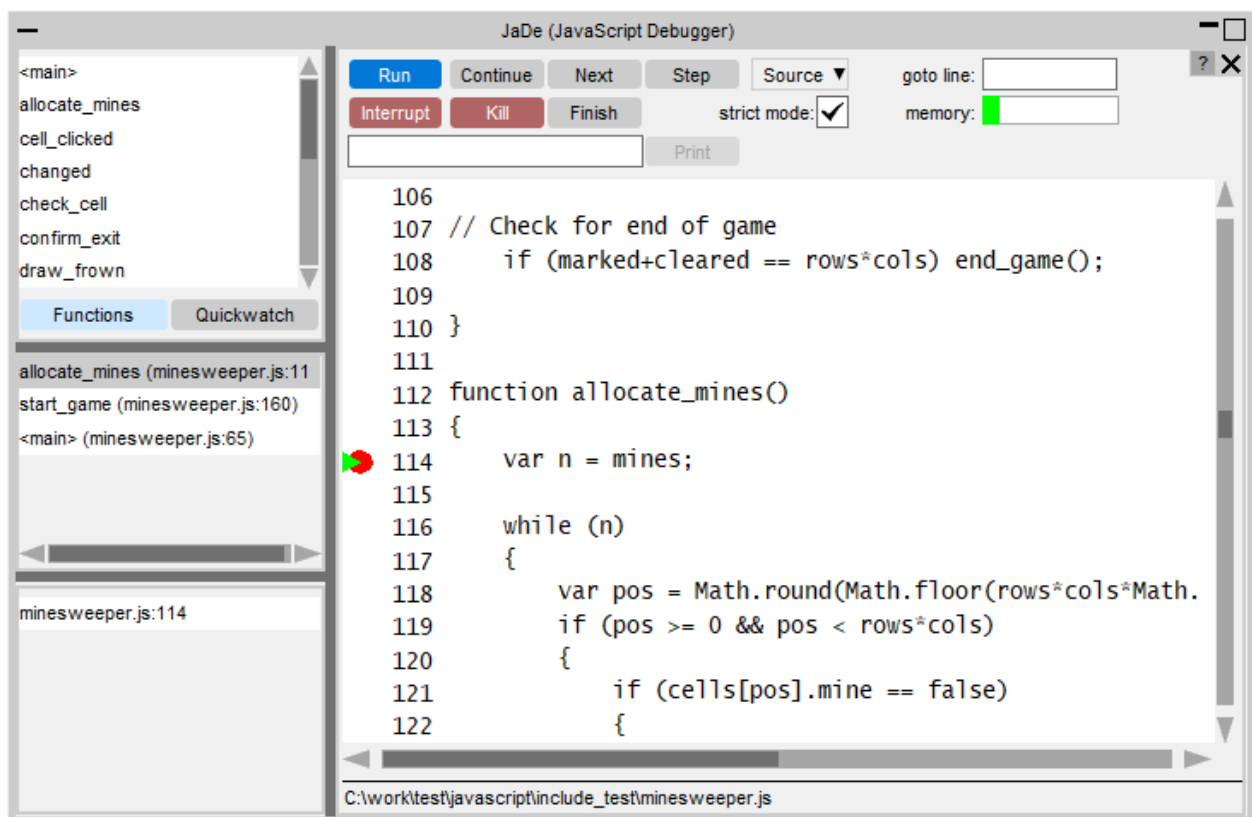
13.3. Running the Script

Running the script

Running the script is controlled by the buttons at the top of the debugger window. By default the script will be run in the debugger in 'strict mode'. This tries to pick up things which you might not have intended by running the script in a stricter environment doing more checking. You can toggle this on/off by using the [strict mode](#) checkbox.

Starting and stopping

To start the script press the [Run](#) button. Execution of the script will start. If you have not defined any breakpoints then the script will run until it finishes (unless there are some script errors or [exceptions](#)). If there is a breakpoint then the debugger will stop execution of the script when it reaches it. If the script is running and you want to pause execution of the script at any time you can press [Interrupt](#).



The line that the debugger has paused the script on is shown by a green triangle. In the above example it is paused at line 114. The middle panel on the left shows the [call stack](#). See the [call stack section](#) for more details.

Stepping and continuing



Once the script is paused in the debugger you can step through the source code by using the **Continue**, **Next**, **Step** and **Finish** buttons.

Continue will resume execution of the script again.

Next continues to the next line in the current function. i.e. it will step *over* a function call.

Step continues execution to the next source line (which may be in a different function. i.e. it will step *into* a function call).

Finish will finish executing the current function and stop at the next line in the calling function (the function above this in the [call stack](#)).

Alternatively, if you want to continue until a particular line you can right click on the line you want to continue until and select **Continue to here** from the popup.



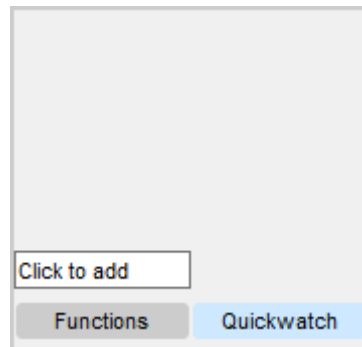
13.4. Printing the Value of a Variable

Printing the value of a variable

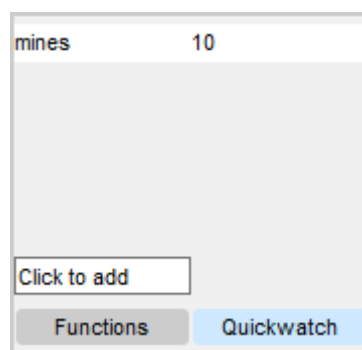
If you want to see the value of a variable you can type the name of the variable you want to see in the textbox at the top of the debugger and press **Print**. JaDe will evaluate the variable and output the result in the statusbar at the bottom of the debugger.

Using Quickwatch

If you want to look at the values for lots of variables it is annoying to have to type the variable name in and press **Print** for each one. A better way is to use **Quickwatch** at the top left of JaDe



Type the name of the variable that you want to watch in the **Click to add** textbox. A line will be added for the variable showing its name and value. e.g. in the following image the variable `mines` is being displayed and its current value is `10`. If the value is very long hover over the value to get the whole string.



You can add any number of variables to watch. To remove one right click on the variable and select **Remove quickwatch** from the popup.

If a variable exists and has been assigned to then the value is displayed. e.g. `mines` in the following example.

If the variable exists but it has not yet had a value assigned its value is the `undefined` value. e.g. `pos` in the following example.



If the variable does not exist the value is shown as ! invalid ! . e.g. fred in the following example.

mines	10
n	undefined
pos	undefined
fred	! invalid !

Click to add

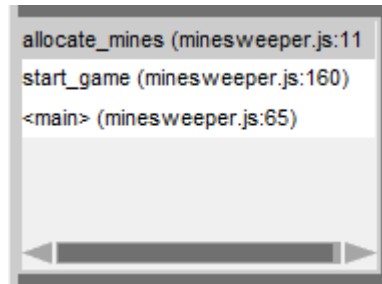
FunctionsQuickwatch



13.5. The Call Stack

The call stack

The call stack shows which functions have been called in the script to get to the current point. It is the middle left window in JaDe.



The top line shows the function that the script is currently paused at. The other lines show the calling functions in order. The above example can be read as:

1. The script starts
2. On line 65 in script file minesweeper.js in the 'main' program the function `start_game` is called.
3. On line 160 in script file minesweeper.js in function `start_game` the function `allocate_mines` is called
4. On line 114 in script file minesweeper.js in function `allocate_mines` the script is paused.

This information is sometimes very useful in more complicated scripts to find out the order things are done in.

The function that the user is currently looking at is highlighted in blue. You can move up or down the call stack by clicking on a line. The main text window will jump to the correct file and line. The line will be shown with a blue triangle instead of a green triangle.



13.6. Exceptions

Exceptions

Sometimes when developing a script you get errors that you need to try to investigate and fix. e.g. an object is null when it should be defined or you try to call a method that does not exist for an object. In these cases an exception is thrown by JavaScript and the script would terminate is run normally. JaDe will trap the exception and stop at the line where the exception occurred. e.g. If for example you has the following code:

Copy Code

JavaScript

```
var w = new Window('Example', 0.5, 1.0, 0.5, 1.0);  
  
w.BadMethod();  
  
w.Show();
```

There is no method called `BadMethod` for a `Window`. JaDe will stop at this point and allow you to look at the script.

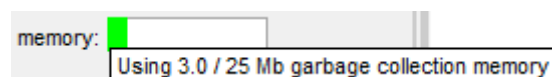


13.7. Memory Usage

Memory usage

When a script creates arrays, objects or strings it has to allocate some memory to be able to do so (for example an array storing 1,000,000 items will use considerably more memory than an array to store 100 items). To manage this memory JavaScript uses a process called 'garbage collection'. When the array, object or string goes out of scope (can no longer be reached by the script) it can be garbage collected and the memory freed. For the JavaScript engine to be able to do this it must keep track of what memory has been allocated. It does this by keeping a list of the live memory. This list also uses a small amount of memory and this memory is the garbage collection memory. The maximum size for the garbage collection memory is set when running a script.

JaDe allows you to see how much garbage collection memory has been used with a usage bar.



If you hover over the usage bar you can see exactly how much garbage collection memory is being used. As the JavaScript engine allocates memory for objects, arrays etc this will increase. When the engine performs garbage collection to free memory the usage will go down. Note that the engine will normally only perform garbage collection when it thinks it is necessary so if you run a script multiple times in JaDe the memory could continue to increase until the engine decides to do garbage collection, then the memory will reduce.

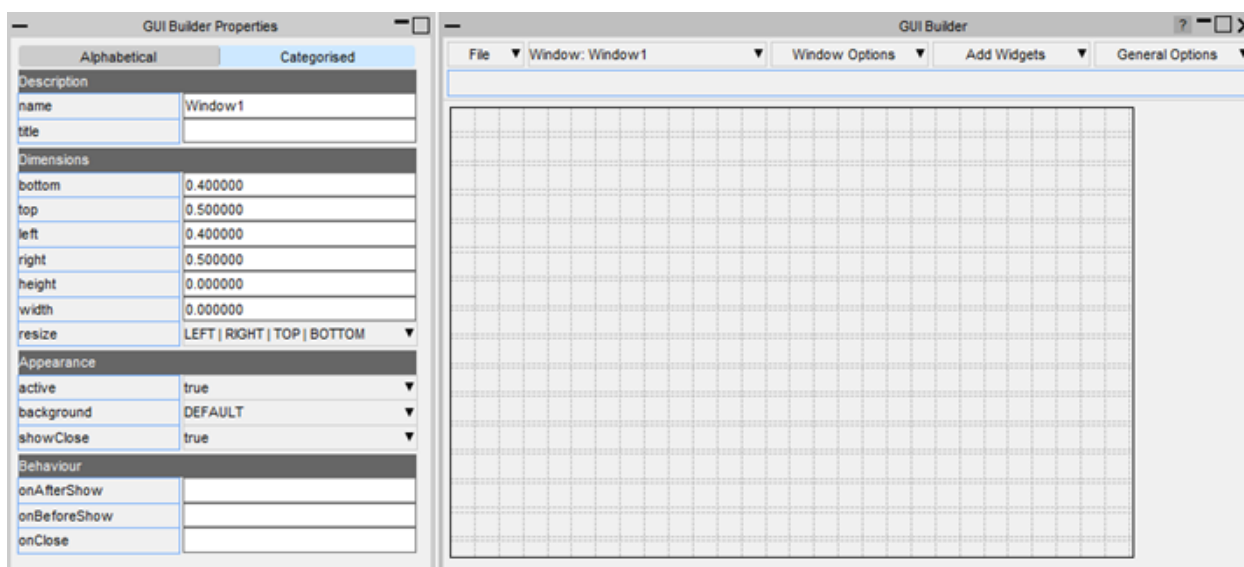
Note also that JaDe also requires some garbage collection memory to function so the bar also includes some memory for JaDe.

14. The JavaScript GUI Builder

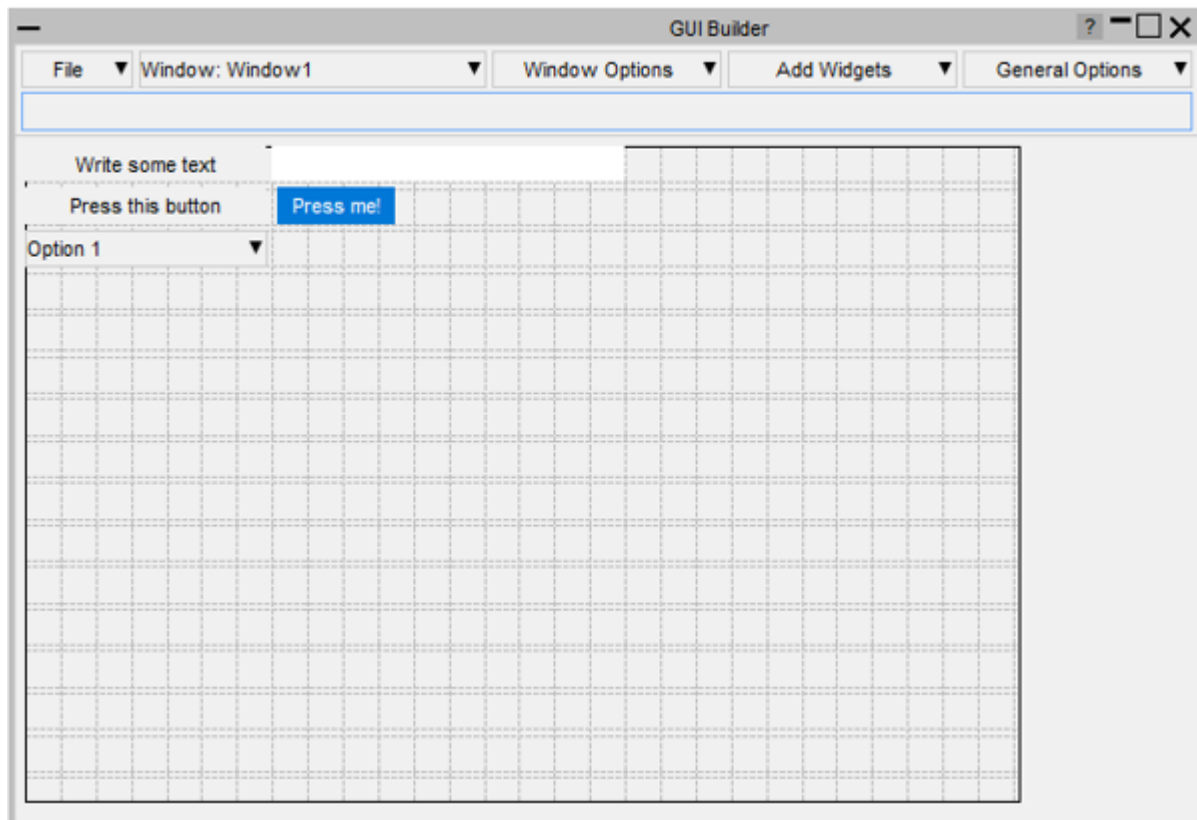
The JavaScript GUI Builder

The JavaScript GUI Builder is an interactive GUI Builder, available in D3PLOT, PRIMER and T/HIS, making it easier to create JavaScript GUIs, removing the need to write code to create windows and widgets.

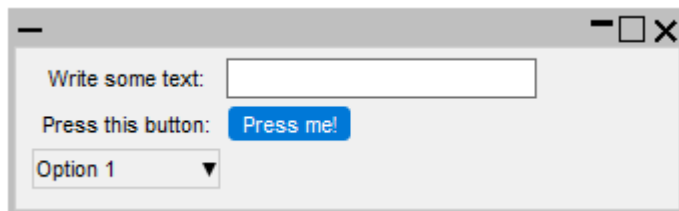
It can be started by pressing the **GUI Builder** button in the JavaScript menu in any of the programs.



You can then design and save your GUI to a file:



Then read the file in your script to automatically generate the window and widgets:

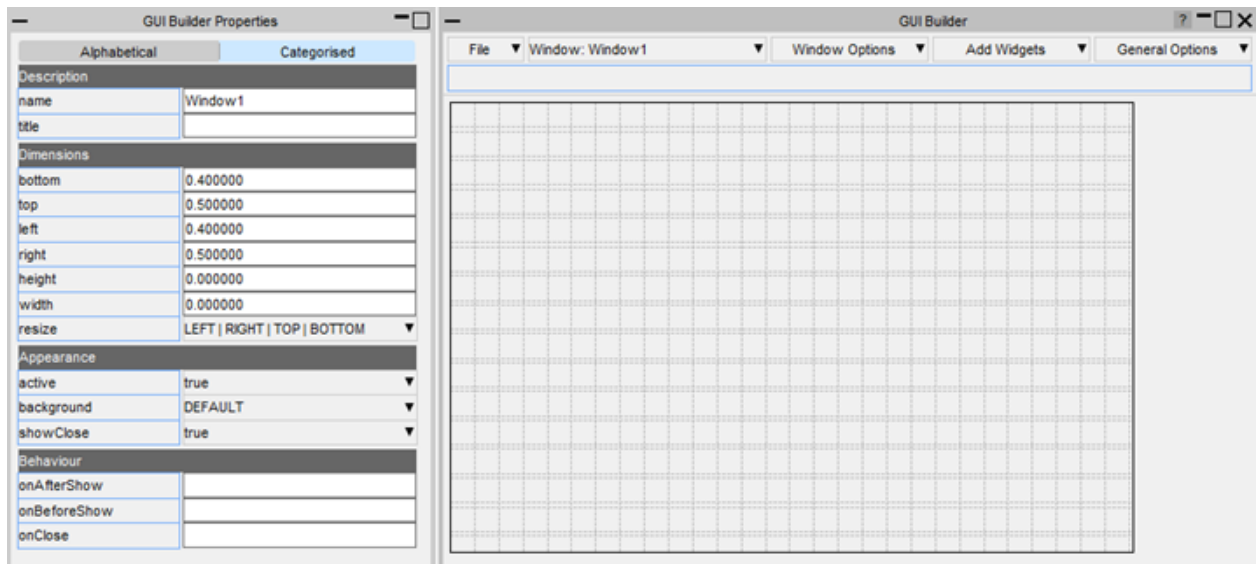




14.1. How to Build a GUI

How to build a GUI

The builder is split into two windows. The properties window for setting the properties of the widgets and windows and a design window for adding, positioning and resizing widgets.

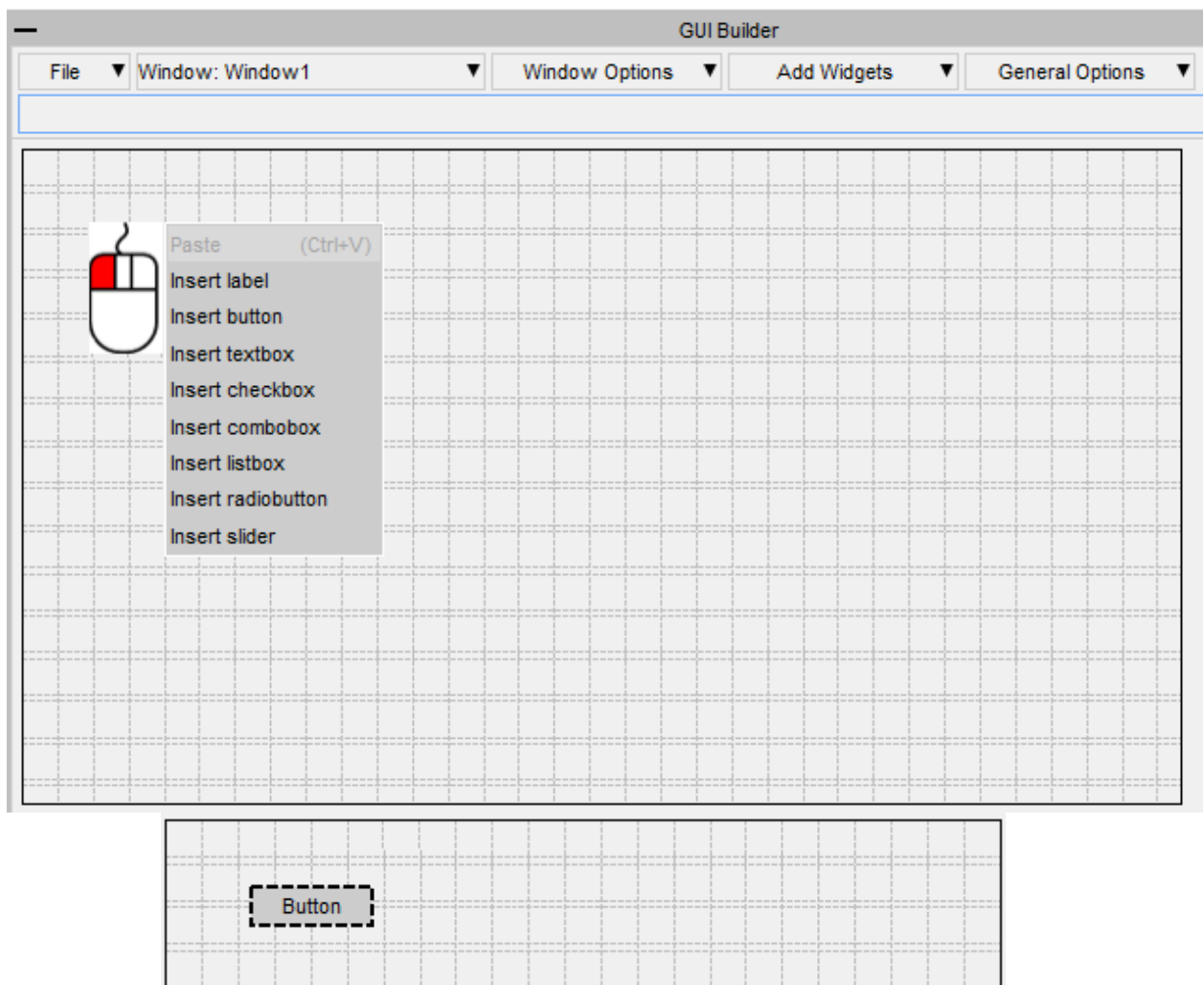




14.1.1. Add a Widget

Add a widget

Widgets can be added by right-clicking on the design window and selecting the widget type to add. The widget will be added with default properties and highlighted with dashed lines to indicate that it's the current widget.

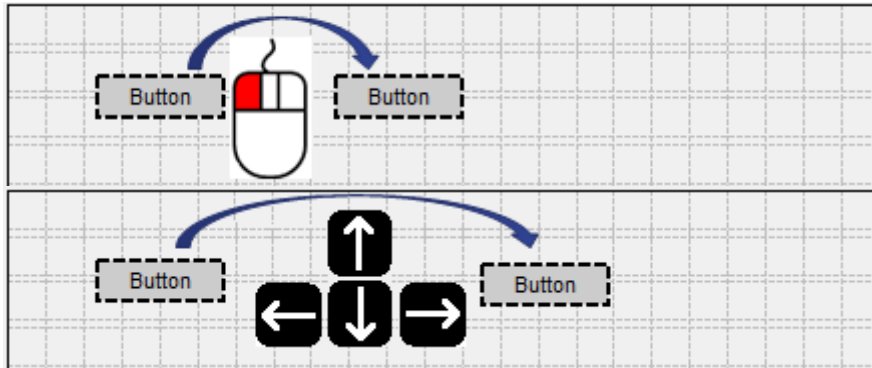




14.1.2. Move a Widget

Move a widget

Widgets can be moved by left-clicking on them and dragging, or by using arrow keys.

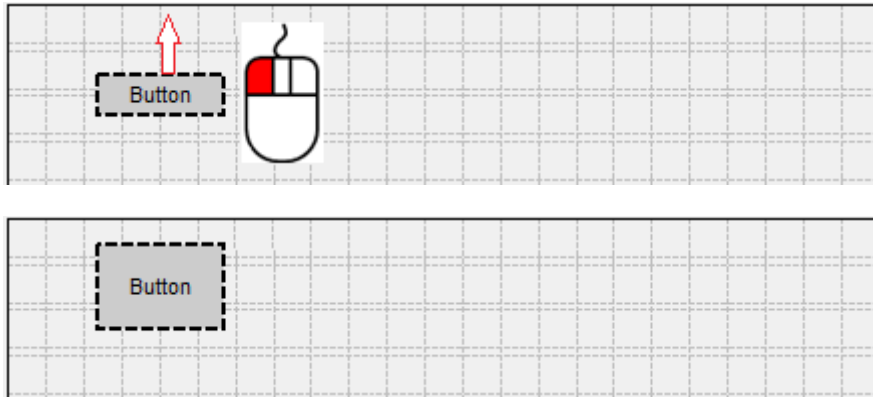




14.1.3. Resize a Widget

Resize a widget

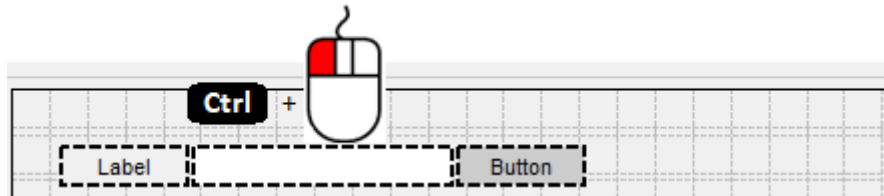
Widgets can be resized by left-clicking on their border and dragging.



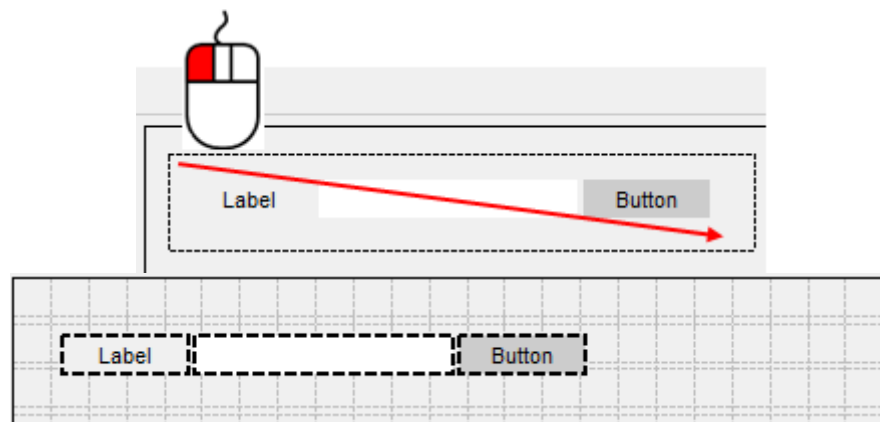
14.1.4. Selecting Widgets

Selecting widgets

Multiple widgets can be selected by holding the Ctrl or Shift keys and left-clicking.



Alternatively a box can be dragged around the widgets you want to select.

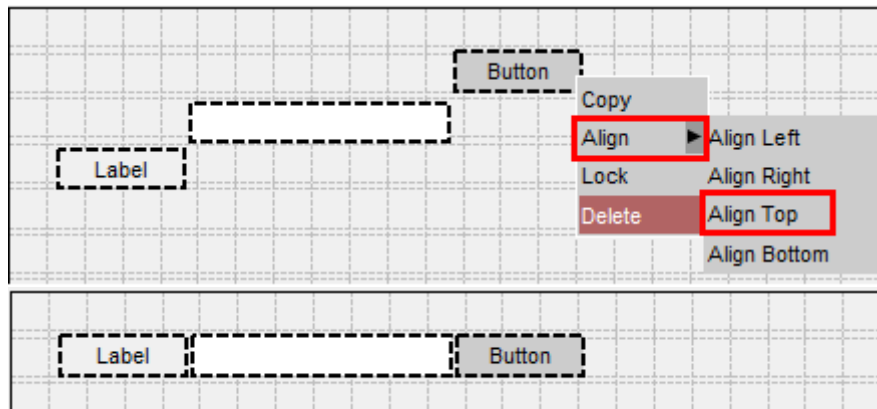




14.1.5. Aligning Widgets

Aligning widgets

When multiple widgets are selected the borders can be aligned by right-clicking on the widget you want to align the other widgets to, and then selecting how you want them to be aligned.

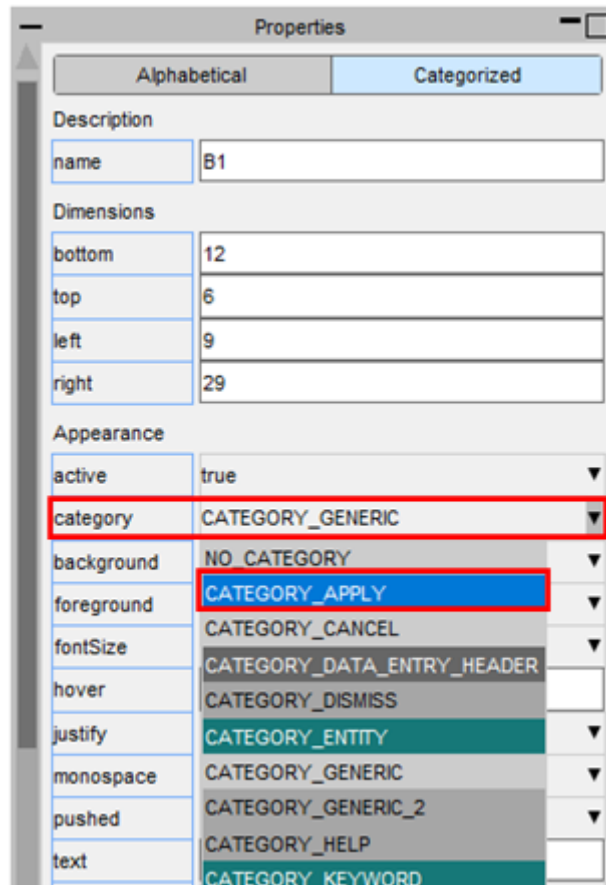




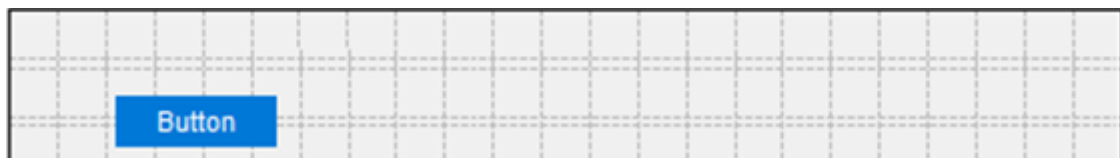
14.1.6. Setting the Properties of Widgets

Setting the properties of widgets

The properties of a widget can be modified in the properties window, e.g. change the category to CATEGORY_APPLY.



The appearance of the widget will update in the design window. If multiple widgets are selected the property will be applied to all the selected widgets.





14.1.7. Copying and Pasting Widgets

Copying and pasting widgets

You can copy and paste widgets by right-clicking on them and selecting **Copy** and then right-clicking on the window and selecting **Paste**. The new widget will have all the same properties as the copied widget.

Alternatively you can use the shortcuts Ctrl-C and Ctrl-V.

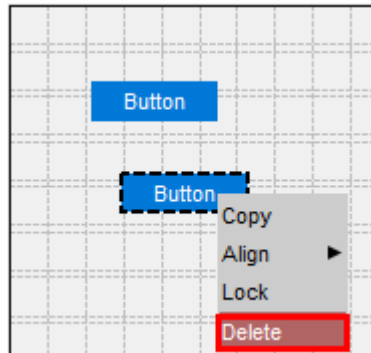




14.1.8. Deleting Widgets

Deleting widgets

To delete a widget, right-click on it and select **Delete**. Alternatively you can press the Delete shortcut key.

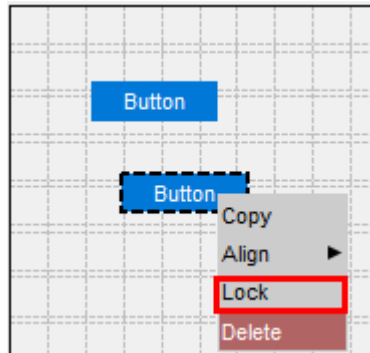




14.1.9. Lock the Position of Widgets

Lock the position of widgets

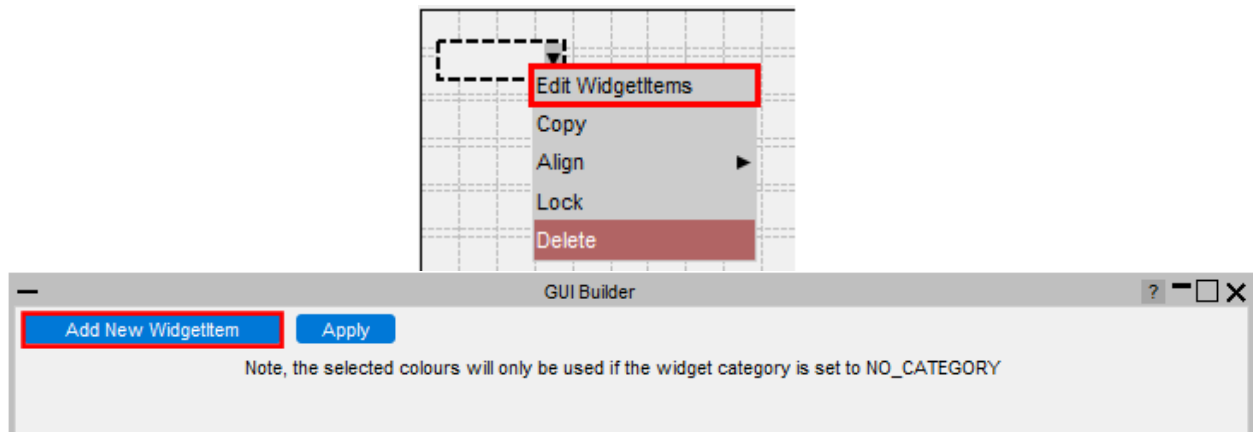
To lock the position of a widget so it can't be repositioned or resized, right-click on it and select **Lock**. To unlock it again, right-click on it and select **Unlock**



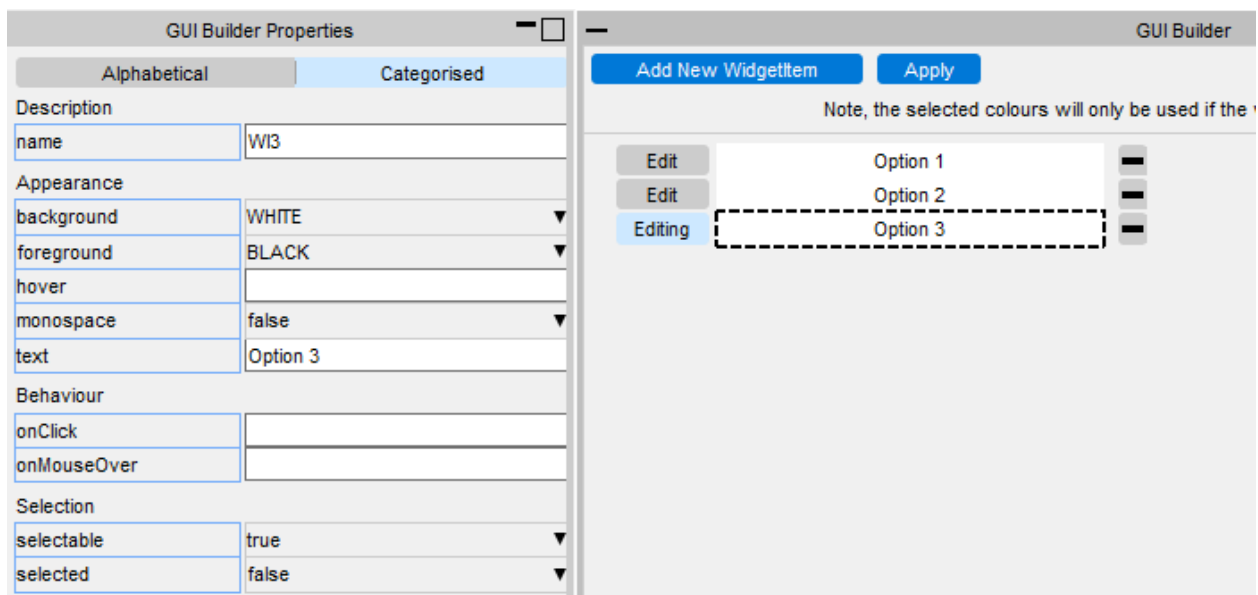
14.1.10. Adding WidgetItems to Comboboxes and Listboxes

Adding widgetitems to comboboxes, listboxes and radiobuttons

To add WidgetItems to a Combobox, Listbox or Radiobutton, right-click on it and select **Edit WidgetItems**. This will update the design window where you can add WidgetItems by pressing the **Add New WidgetItem** button.



The appearance of the current WidgetItem can be modified in the same way as Widgets by clicking on the WidgetItem and updating its properties. To delete a WidgetItem, click on the - on the right hand side. Once you have finished, press **Apply** to return to the normal design window.

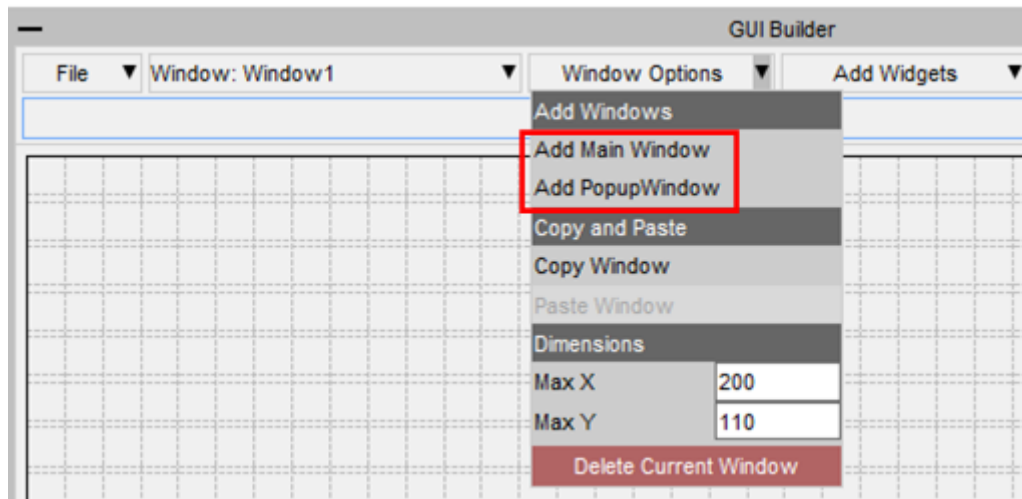




14.1.11. Adding Windows

Adding windows

Additional windows can be created by clicking on the Window Options dropdown menu. You can add either a Main Window or PopupWindow.



The name of the current window is displayed in the Window selection dropdown menu.



To change to a different window, select it from the dropdown menu.





14.1.12. PopupWindows

PopupWindows

PopupWindows can be linked to widgets by setting the popupWindow property.

The image displays two configuration panels for a widget, likely a button, in a software interface. Each panel has a 'Dimensions' section with fields for bottom, top, left, and right values. The top panel shows bottom: 14, top: 8, left: 8, right: 28. The bottom panel shows the same values. Below the dimensions is a 'Popups' section with fields for popupDirection (set to BOTTOM), popupSymbol (set to true), and popupWindow (set to <no popup> in the top panel and PopupWindow1 in the bottom panel). There is also a 'Timer' section with fields for timerDelay and timerRepeat, and a 'Misc' section with a macroTag field. The bottom panel's timerDelay is set to 1 and timerRepeat is set to false. The widget being configured is a 'Button' widget, as indicated by the label in the top right of each panel.

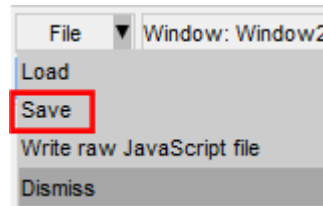
To remove a PopupWindow linked to a widget, set the popupWindow to <no popup>.



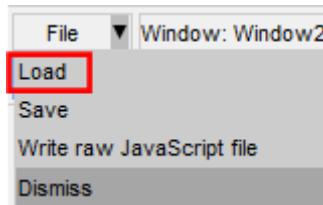
14.1.13. Saving and Loading a GUI

Saving and loading a GUI

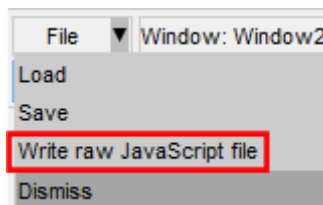
The GUI can be saved to file by pressing the **Save** button and then selecting a file. The saved file is a JavaScript file containing the window and widget definitions in a JSON string, and a call to `Window.BuildGUIFromString()` which builds the GUI when the script is run. Further details are given in the next section.



It can be reloaded by pressing the **Load** button and selecting the file to load.



The GUI can also be saved as a raw JavaScript file, with the calls to create and position the windows and widgets, explicitly defined, rather than using `Window.BuildGUIFromString()`. This cannot be loaded back into the GUI Builder, however it may be useful for creating GUIs to run in versions prior to v18 that don't have the `Window.BuildGUIFromString()` function.





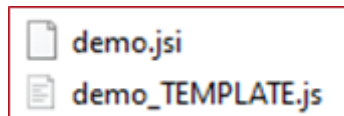
14.2. How to Use the GUI in a Script

How to use the GUI in a script

The GUI is saved to a JavaScript file, containing the GUI definition in a JSON string and a call to `Window.BuildGUIFromString()`. It is saved with the extension `.jsi` to indicate that it should be included from another file. You should not need to edit this file.

When saving the GUI a `*.js` file is also written to demonstrate how to include the `*.jsi` file and display the GUI. This can be used as a template to follow and modify.

It is written to the same folder as the `*.jsi` file and named `<jsi_filename>_TEMPLATE.js`, e.g. if the `*.jsi` file is called `demo.jsi`, the `*.js` file will be saved as `demo_TEMPLATE.js`



The following sections explain how you can reference the Windows, Widgets and WidgetItem objects within your script.



14.2.1. Read the GUI Into a Script

Read the GUI Into a Script

To read the GUI in a script you need to include the *.jsi file with the Use() function.

This will create a global variable (**gui** by default) containing all the GUI objects. The name of the variable can be changed in the GUI builder menu under General Options.

For example, to include the GUI saved in C:\my_gui.jsi:

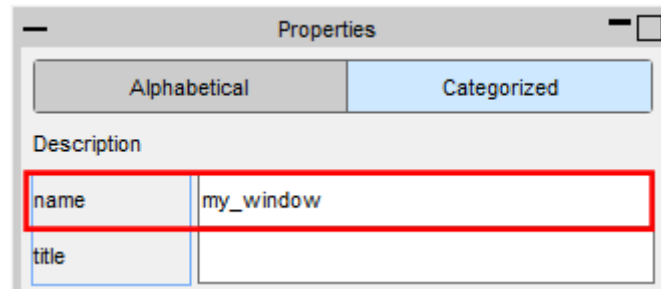
```
Use("C:\\my_gui.jsi");
```



14.2.2. Accessing the Window Objects

Accessing the Window objects

The GUI Window objects are stored as properties on the global GUI object. The name of the property is whatever was defined in the properties window in the GUI builder.



To display the Window called **my_window** use the Show() method:

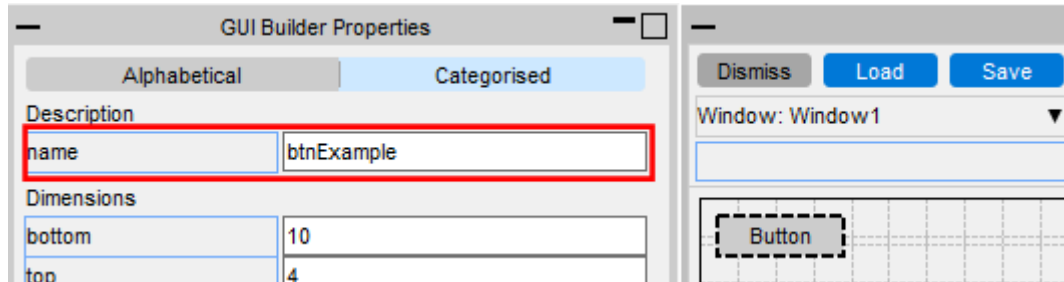
```
if (gui) gui.my_window.Show();
```



14.2.3. Accessing the Widget Objects

Accessing the Widget objects

Similarly, each Widget object is a property of the Window object. The name of the Widget property is whatever was defined in the properties window in the GUI builder.



For example if the window is called **my_window** and the widget is called **btnExample**, the Widget object can be accessed and modified with.

```
var btn = gui.my_window.btnExample;
```

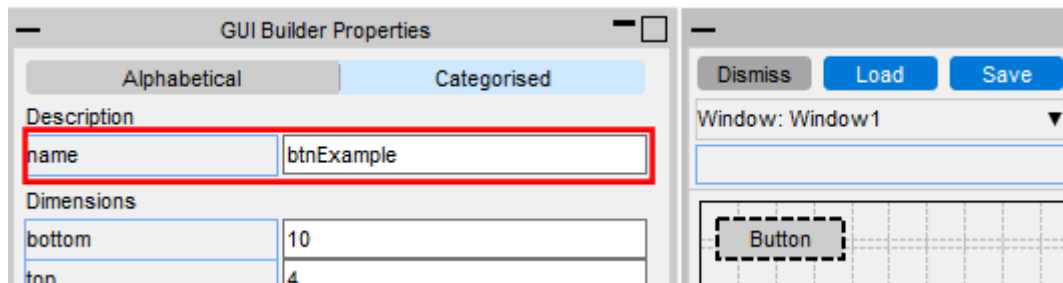
```
btn.text = Test;
```



14.2.4. Accessing the Widgetitem Objects

Accessing the WidgetItem objects

WidgetItem objects are a property of the Widget.



For, example if the Window is called **my_window**, the Widget the WidgetItem is on is called **cbxExample** and the widget item is called **wi1**, it can be accessed and modified with.

```
var wi = gui.my_window.cbxExample.wi1;
```



14.2.5. Defining Callback Functions

Defining callback functions

Callback functions (onClick, onChange, etc.) can be assigned to the window and widgets in the properties window, by adding the name of a function to call.

For example to set the onClick property of a widget so it calls a function called **pressed**:

Functions	
onClick	pressed
onPopup	
onTimer	

This function then needs to be defined in your script:

```
Use("C:\\test.jsi");
```

```
if (gui) gui.my_window.Show();
```

```
function pressed()
```

```
{
```

```
Message("You clicked me!");
```

```
}
```

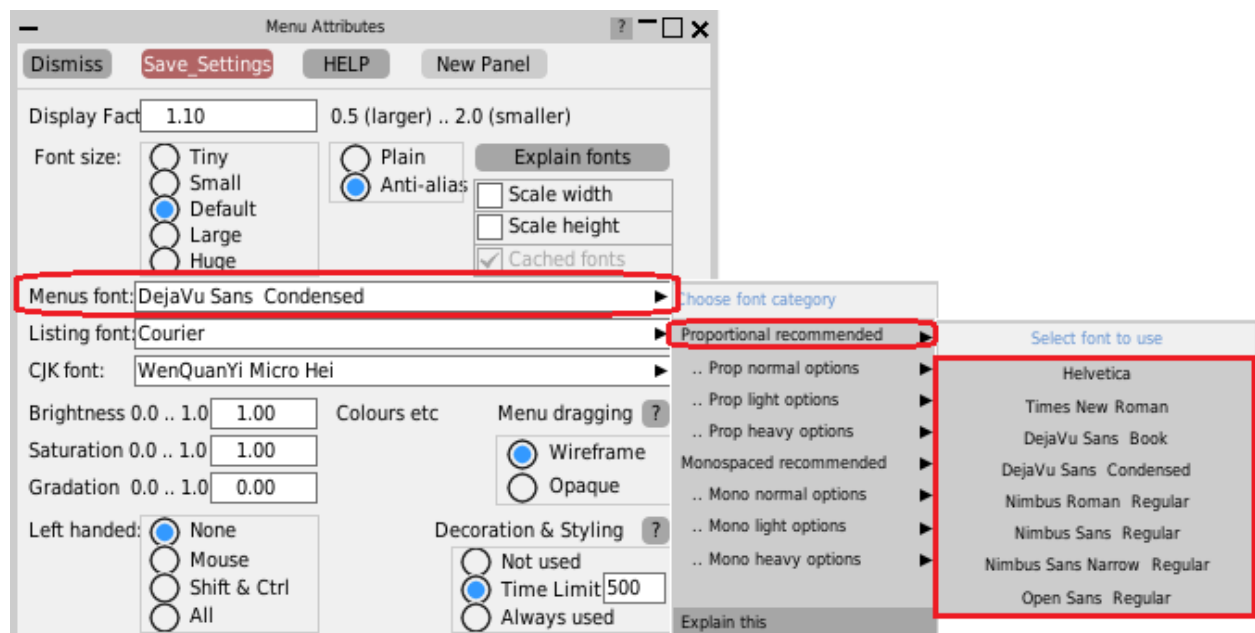


15. Fonts on Linux

Fonts on Linux

Prior to version 17.0, the software used "legacy" X11 fixed fonts on Linux, from version 17.0 onwards, it uses Freetype fonts, which give improved appearance and a wider range of typefaces.

The recommended proportional font for menu panels is "DejaVu Sans Condensed" which is widely available on Linux, but you can change this using [Options, Menu attributes](#) where a different font can be selected from those available on your system. For example on the author's CentOS 7 system the choice of fonts is:





15.1. The Range of Fonts Available

The range of fonts available

The range of fonts you see on your system will depend on the version of Linux you are using and what fonts you have installed; the image above was captured from a CentOS 7 machine.

Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software interrogates the font server to extract all available fonts, then sorts them for presentation purposes by spacing (proportional or monospaced) and weight (normal, light, bold). The "recommended" fonts, as shown in the right hand popup menu above, are simply those which have been found by trial and error to give the best appearance. However this is a very subjective matter, and you may prefer something different: choose something that you like then use [Save Settings](#) to save it. If you change your mind later you can always come back to this panel to select something else.

Helvetica is provided as an option for backwards compatibility with the older user interface; it is not natively available on Linux so a different font is substituted, which tends not to look very good in Freetype.

Monospaced font selection problems

We have observed that while proportional font selection works correctly on Linux, the selection of monospaced fonts seems to have some bugs:

- The default "courier" font works, but tends to produce a font that is too small in some situations and probably is not exactly courier, although it looks very similar.
- The "recommended" monospaced font on some systems comes out as "Courier 10 Pt Regular", which is a genuine courier font, however if you select that it will produce something completely different. Experiment shows that if you ask for "Courier 10 Pt" then you get what you expect, but appending "Regular" breaks the font selection somehow

This appears to be a "fontconfig" problem: the system's font server simply gets it wrong. This can be demonstrated by the command

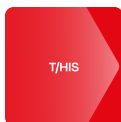
```
fc-match "font of your choice"
```

for example **fc-match "courier"** on a RHEL 7 machine produces the result "**Nimbus Mono PS**" "**Regular**"

If you are happy with the monospaced font used for help texts and the like you don't need to take any action, however if you want to change it you may need to experiment a bit to find something that looks good on your system by typing different variations of



names into the "Listing font: [.....]" text entry box. You can use the "fc-match" command in conjunction with this to see what the font server will map your request onto. Once you have found something satisfactory use **Save Settings** to save it in your oa_pref file and it will be remembered for future use.

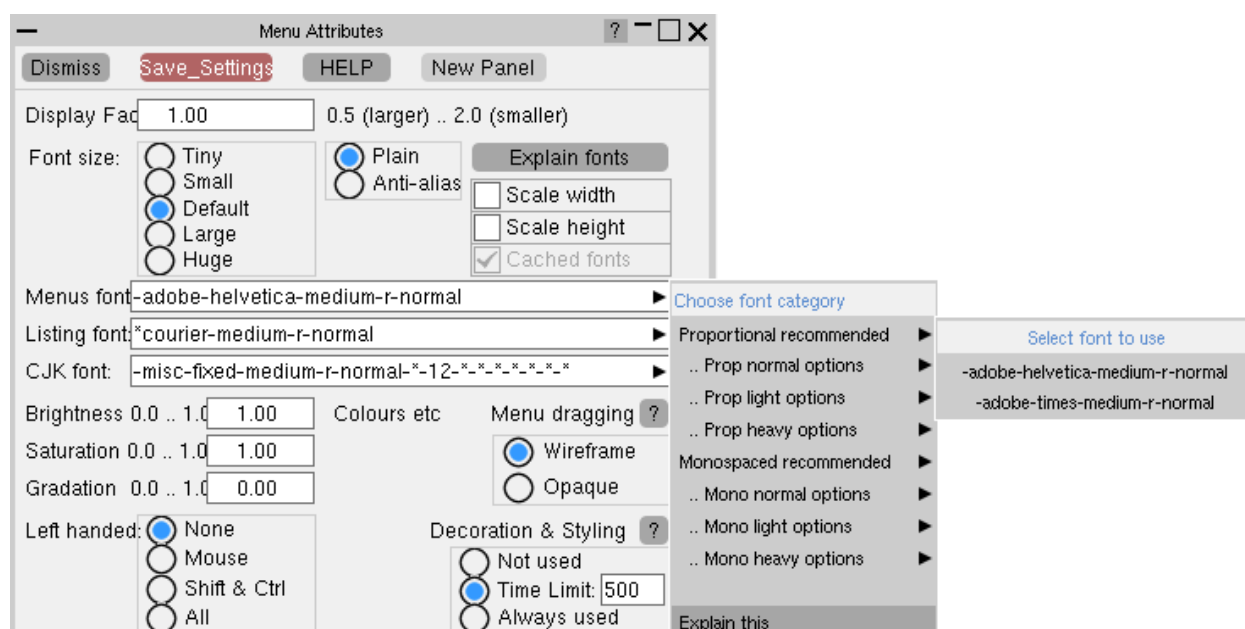


15.2. Plain Versus Anti-aliased Fonts

Plain versus Anti-aliased fonts

On some monitors, especially relatively low resolution ones, the anti-aliasing of fonts can result in quite fuzzy text. The quality of this will depend on the version of Freetype installed, and more recent Linuxes will tend to look better since they are more likely to use sub-pixel sampling.

Some users may prefer the cruder but sharper appearance of the original "core X11" legacy fonts, and these can be used by changing to **Plain** so long as you actually have these fonts loaded on your machine. On the CentOS 7 machine being used to create this manual page the equivalent "plain" font image of the above is:



If you try this on your machine and it doesn't work then it means that you need to load the legacy font package(s), see below.

Loading legacy Core X11 fonts

You don't need to load these, it is only necessary if you want the old-style "plain" appearance described in the section above.

You will need root privileges to install these, so unless you are familiar with working as root and using commands such as "rpm", "yum" or "yast" please seek help from your IT department, or alternatively contact Oasys Ltd for help.

The best fonts to install are the 75 dots per inch (dpi) ones, which can be obtained online for a range of common Linux operating systems from

<https://pkgs.org/download/xorg-x11-fonts-75dpi>



If that fails you may already have the relevant packages in your installation files, you should look for (in order)

RedHat/CentOS

```
xorg-x11-fonts-75dpi  
xorg-x11-fonts-ISO8859-1-75dpi  
xorg-x11-fonts-Type1  
xorg-x11-fonts-misc  
xorg-x11-fonts-100dpi  
xorg-x11-fonts-ISO8859-1-100dpi
```

You don't have to install all of these.

The 75dpi and 100dpi font packages are the same typefaces at different resolutions. You should choose the one which gives the best looking results on your display, but in the author's experience the 75dpi one looks fine but the 100dpi one looks as if a spider was let loose with a leaky pen! Always try the 75dpi one first.

To manage fonts on RHEL/CentOS do the following:

- Log in as root
- To see the X11 fonts currently installed type "**yum list installed | grep xorg | grep font**"
- To see X11 fonts available but not installed "**yum list available | grep xorg | grep font**"
- To install something "**yum install package**", for example "**yum install xorg-x11-fonts-75dpi**"

You can list the range of "yum" commands available with "man yum".

SUSE

```
xorg-x11-fonts-core  
xorg-x11-fonts
```



16. Appendices

16.1. APPENDIX A - Ansys LS-DYNA Data Components

16.1.1. Model Data Components

Model Data Components

The following global data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
DT	Time Step	yes		yes	yes
KE	Kinetic energy	yes		yes	yes
IE	Internal energy	yes		yes	yes
SWE	Stonewall energy			yes	yes
SPE	Spring and damper energy			yes	yes
HG	Hourglass energy			yes	yes
SDE	System damping energy			yes	yes
JE	Joint internal energy			yes	yes
SIE	Sliding interface energy			yes	yes
EW	External work		yes	yes	yes
RBE	Rigid Body stopper energy			yes	
TE	Total energy	yes		yes	yes
TER	Total/initial energy ratio			yes	yes
VX	Average X velocity	yes		yes	yes
VY	Average Y velocity	yes		yes	yes
VZ	Average Z velocity	yes		yes	yes
TZC	Time per zone cycle			yes	yes
AM	Added mass			yes	yes
PM	%age Mass increase			yes	yes
EKE	Eroded Kinetic energy			yes	yes
EIE	Eroded Internal energy			yes	yes
EHG	Eroded Hourglass energy			yes	yes



ER	Energy Ratio w/o Eroded			yes	yes
DRCE	Current Distortional Kinetic Energy				yes
DRMX	Maximum Distortional Kinetic Energy				yes
DRCO	Convergence Factor				yes
DRKE	Total Kinetic Energy				yes
MPE	Mat Plastic Energy			yes	yes
MEE	Mat Elastic Energy			yes	yes
MDE	Mat Damage Energy			yes	yes
DIE	Dissipated Internal Energy			yes	yes
DKE	Disssipated Kinetic Energy			yes	yes
DE	Drilling Energy			yes	yes



16.1.2. Part Data Components

Part Data Components

For Parts the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
KE	Kinetic energy	yes		yes	yes
IE	Internal energy	yes		yes	yes
HG	Hourglass energy			yes	yes
TE	Total energy	yes		yes	yes
XM	X momentum			yes	yes
YM	Y momentum			yes	yes
ZM	Z momentum			yes	yes
VX	Average X velocity	yes		yes	yes
VY	Average Y velocity	yes		yes	yes
VZ	Average Z velocity	yes		yes	yes
MA	Mass	yes		yes	yes
EIE	Eroded Internal energy			yes	yes
ER	Energy Ratio w/o Eroded			yes	yes
MPE	Mat Plastic Energy			yes	
MEE	Mat Elastic Energy			yes	
MDE	Mat Damage Energy			yes	



16.1.3. Part Group Data Components

Part Group Data Components

For Part Groups the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
KE	Kinetic energy	yes		yes	yes
IE	Internal energy	yes		yes	yes
HG	Hourglass energy	yes		yes	yes
TE	Total energy	yes		yes	yes
MA	Mass	yes		yes	yes



16.1.4. Nodal Data Components

Nodal Data Components

For nodes the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
TE	Temperature	yes		yes	yes
DX	X Displacement	yes		yes	yes
DY	Y Displacement	yes		yes	yes
DZ	Z Displacement	yes		yes	yes
DM	Displacement Magnitude	yes		yes	yes
VX	X Velocity	yes		yes	yes
VY	Y Velocity	yes		yes	yes
VZ	Z Velocity	yes		yes	yes
VM	Velocity Magnitude	yes		yes	yes
AX	X Acceleration	yes		yes	yes
AY	Y Acceleration	yes		yes	yes
AZ	Z Acceleration	yes		yes	yes
AM	Acceleration Magnitude	yes		yes	yes
CX	X Co-ordinate			yes	yes
CY	Y Co-ordinate			yes	yes
CZ	Z Co-ordinate			yes	yes
RX	X Rotation			yes	yes
RY	Y Rotation			yes	yes
RZ	Z Rotation			yes	yes
RM	Rotation Magnitude			yes	yes
RVX	X Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
RVY	Y Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
RVZ	Z Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
RVM	Rotational Velocity Magnitude			yes	yes



RAX	X Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes
RAY	Y Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes
RAZ	Z Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes
RAM	Rotational Acceleration Magnitude			yes	yes
FLX	X Thermal Flux			yes	yes
FLY	Y Thermal Flux			yes	yes
FLZ	Z Thermal Flux			yes	yes
FLM	Thermal Flux Magnitude			yes	yes

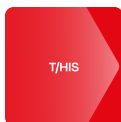
Frequency Domain Analysis

For a steady state dynamic analysis (SSD) the following nodal data components are available. For each data component both amplitude and phase angle data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
DX	X Displacement			yes	
DY	Y Displacement			yes	
DZ	Z Displacement			yes	
VX	X Velocity			yes	
VY	Y Velocity			yes	
VZ	Z Velocity			yes	
AX	X Acceleration			yes	
AY	Y Acceleration			yes	
AZ	Z Acceleration			yes	

For a random vibration analysis (PSD) the following nodal data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
DX	X Displacement	yes		yes	yes
DY	Y Displacement	yes		yes	yes
DZ	Z Displacement	yes		yes	yes
DM	Displacement Magnitude	yes		yes	yes



VX	X Velocity	yes		yes	yes
VY	Y Velocity	yes		yes	yes
VZ	Z Velocity	yes		yes	yes
VM	Velocity Magnitude	yes		yes	yes
AX	X Acceleration	yes		yes	yes
AY	Y Acceleration	yes		yes	yes
AZ	Z Acceleration	yes		yes	yes
AM	Acceleration Magnitude	yes		yes	yes

Only nodes that have been declared in "nodal time-history blocks" will be available for processing. To get a list of available node numbers in command line mode use the **m** (enu) command.

Coordinate system of results

All nodal results are in the global cartesian coordinate system **except** at nodes which have been defined as accelerometers: these report accelerations in the local coordinate system of the accelerometer subject to any rotations its "parent" rigid body has undergone.



16.1.5. Solid Data Components

Solid Data Components

For solids the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX	yes		yes	
SYX	Stress in YY	yes		yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ	yes		yes	
SXY	Stress in XY	yes		yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ	yes		yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX	yes		yes	
SMX	Maximum Principal Stress	yes		yes	
SMN	Minimum Principal Stress	yes		yes	
SMS	Maximum Shear Stress	yes		yes	
SVM	Von Mises Stress	yes		yes	
SAV	Average Stress (Pressure)	yes		yes	
STR	Stress Triaxiality Factor	yes		yes	
Strain components					
EFF	Effective Plastic Strain	yes		yes	
EXX	Strain in XX	yes		yes	
EYY	Strain in YY	yes		yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ	yes		yes	
EXY	Strain in XY	yes		yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ	yes		yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX	yes		yes	
EMX	Maximum Principal Strain	yes		yes	
EMN	Minimum Principal Strain	yes		yes	
EMS	Maximum Shear Strain	yes		yes	
EVM	Von Mises Strain	yes		yes	



EAV	Average Strain	yes		yes	
"Extra" components					
SOEn	Extra Data Component	yes		yes	

Frequency Domain Analysis

For a steady state dynamic analysis (SSD) the following nodal data components are available. For each data component both amplitude and phase angle data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	
SYX	Stress in YY			yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	
SXY	Stress in XY			yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ			yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	
Strain components					
EXX	Strain in XX			yes	
EYX	Strain in YY			yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ			yes	
EXY	Strain in XY			yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ			yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX			yes	

For a random vibration analysis (PSD) the following nodal data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	
SYX	Stress in YY			yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	



SXY	Stress in XY			yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ			yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	
SVM	Von Mises Stress			yes	
Strain components					
EXX	Strain in XX			yes	
EYY	Strain in YY			yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ			yes	
EXY	Strain in XY			yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ			yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX			yes	

Coordinate systems of results

The stress and strain tensors are reported in the global cartesian system unless the option to output results in the part coordinate system has been used. Writing the directional strain tensor is optional in Ansys LS-DYNA: it will only appear in the menu if it is present.

"Extra" data components

The "extra" data components (**soEn**) are also optional and only appear if present in the database. They are material dependent results, and are treated as scalar data of unknown type by T/HIS.



16.1.6. Beam Data Components

Beam Data Components

For beams the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Basic data components					
NX	Axial force	yes		yes	
NY	Shear force in Y	yes		yes	
NZ	Shear force in Z	yes		yes	
MY	Moment in Y	yes		yes	
MZ	Moment in Z	yes		yes	
MX	Torsional moment	yes		yes	
"Plastic" data components					
EAX	Axial strain	yes			
PE1	Plastic bending energy : end 1	yes			
PE2	Plastic bending energy : end 2	yes			
RY1	Y rotation : end 1	yes			
RY2	Y rotation : end 2	yes			
RZ1	Z rotation : end 1	yes			
RZ2	Z rotation : end 2	yes			
RX	Torsional rotation	yes			
MY1	Y bending moment : end 1	yes			
MY2	Y bending moment : end 2	yes			
MZ1	Z bending moment : end 1	yes			
MZ2	Z bending moment : end 2	yes			
ACE	Axial collapse energy	yes			
IE	Internal energy	yes			
Integration Point Data					



SXX	Axial stress	yes		yes	
SXY	XY shear stress	yes		yes	
SZX	ZX shear stress	yes		yes	
EFF	Effective plastic strain	yes			
EXX	Axial strain	yes		yes	
Discrete Beams - Only available if DISBOUT ASCII file has been written to LSDA (binout) file.					
AXD	Relative Axial displacment			yes	
SD	Relative S- Displacement			yes	
TD	Relative T- Displacement			yes	
AXR	Axial rotation			yes	
SR	Rotation in S			yes	
TR	Rotation in T			yes	
RNAX	Relative Axial force			yes	
RNS	Resultant S - Force			yes	
RNT	Resultant T - Force			yes	
MAX	Axial moment			yes	
MS	Moment in S			yes	
MT	Moment in T			yes	
AXX	Axial Direction X			yes	
AXY	Axial Direction Y			yes	
AXZ	Axial Direction Z			yes	
SX	S - Direction X			yes	
SY	S - Direction Y			yes	
SZ	S - Direction Z			yes	
TX	T - Direction X			yes	
TY	T - Direction Y			yes	
TZ	T - Direction Z			yes	

Frequency Domain Analysis

For a steady state dynamic analysis (SSD) the following nodal data components are available. For each data component both amplitude and phase angle data components are available.



	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Basic data components					
NX	Axial force			yes	
NY	Shear force in Y			yes	
NZ	Shear force in Z			yes	
MY	Moment in Y			yes	
MZ	Moment in Z			yes	
MX	Torsional moment			yes	
Integration point data					
SXX	Axial stress			yes	
SXY	XY shear stress			yes	
SZX	ZX shear stress			yes	
EFF	Effective plastic strain			yes	
EXX	Axial strain			yes	

For a random vibration analysis (PSD) the following nodal data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Basic data components					
NX	Axial force			yes	
NY	Shear force in Y			yes	
NZ	Shear force in Z			yes	
MY	Moment in Y			yes	
MZ	Moment in Z			yes	
MX	Torsional moment			yes	
Integration point data					
SXX	Axial stress			yes	
SXY	XY shear stress			yes	
SZX	ZX shear stress			yes	
EFF	Effective plastic strain			yes	



EXX	Axial strain			yes	



Additional Beam Results: written if requested from Ansys LS-DYNA

In addition to the basic data components additional beam results may be output to the **.THF** file for both Belytschko-Schwer and Hughes-Liu beam elements. As no indication of the element type is written to the **.THF** file it is impossible for T/HIS to work out whether a specific element is a Belytschko-Schwer or a Hughes-Liu beam. As the element type is unknown the user must know which element type a beam is in order to extract the correct results.

Belytschko-Schwer Beams

If you have used Belytschko-Schwer beams with a resultant plastic material model the following "plastic" results will also be written out to **.THF** file: (Note that these data are written even if the ***DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY** card field **<beamip>** is not set - the presence of a resultant beam material triggers their output automatically. This is not the case for Hughes-Liu data components, for which output must be requested explicitly, see below.)

Coordinate systems of results

Beam results are always output in the element local coordinate system. Only beams declared in "beam element time-history blocks" will be available.

"Extra" data components

Where "extra" results are written, and T/HIS cannot resolve unambiguously whether they are Belytschko-Schwer plastic data, or Hughes-Liu stress/strain data, **it is your responsibility to interpret the results correctly**.

Notes on beam data

1. Hughes-Liu (integrated) beams locate their integration point(s) at mid-span, and have a constant shear force and moment along their length.

The location and number of integration points through the thickness at mid span depends on the beam shape. See the ***SECTION_BEAM** keyword in the Ansys LS-DYNA manual for more information.

2. Belytschko-Schwer (resultant) beams calculate the moment variation along the beam, so may have different M_{yy} and M_{zz} terms at ends one and two. This presents a problem when only the basic force and moment vector is written since only one M_{yy} and one M_{zz} term are output. **These are in fact the values at end 1.** So if you have a cantilever fixed at end 2, with a point load at end 1,



you will not see any moment in it if you only plot the basic M_{yy} or M_{zz} data components (although the moment will be there and it will behave correctly). Furthermore, the sign of the end 1 M_{yy} and M_{zz} moments written to the extra data slots is opposite to the sign of the basic moment vector M_{yy} and M_{zz} moments so care must be taken in interpreting the direction of moments when switching between basic and extra data component moments.



16.1.7. Shell Data Components

Shell Data Components

For shells the following data components are available. These combine with directions for the data component, and in some cases a location through the shell thickness.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX	yes		yes	
SYX	Stress in YY	yes		yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ	yes		yes	
SXY	Stress in XY	yes		yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ	yes		yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX	yes		yes	
SMX	Maximum Principal Stress	yes		yes	
SMN	Minimum Principal Stress	yes		yes	
SMS	Maximum Shear Stress	yes		yes	
SVM	Von Mises Stress	yes		yes	
SAV	Average Stress (Pressure)	yes		yes	
STR	Stress Triaxiality Factor	yes		yes	
Strain components					
EFF	Effective Plastic Strain	yes		yes	
EXX	Strain in XX	yes		yes	
EYX	Strain in YY	yes		yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ	yes		yes	
EXY	Strain in XY	yes		yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ	yes		yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX	yes		yes	
EMX	Maximum Principal Strain	yes		yes	
EMN	Minimum Principal Strain	yes		yes	
EMS	Maximum Shear Strain	yes		yes	



EVM	Von Mises Strain	yes		yes	
EAV	Average Strain	yes		yes	
Force / Moment components					
MX	Moment in X	yes			
MY	Moment in Y	yes			
MXY	Moment in XY	yes			
QX	Shear force in X	yes			
QY	Shear force in Y	yes			
NX	Normal force in X	yes			
NY	Normal force in Y	yes			
NXY	Normal force in XY	yes			
Miscellaneous components					
T	Thickness	yes			
I	Internal energy density	yes			
"Extra" components					
An	Extra Data Component	yes		yes	

Frequency Domain Analysis

For a steady state dynamic analysis (SSD) the following nodal data components are available. For each data component both amplitude and phase angle data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	
SYX	Stress in YX				
SYX	Stress in YY			yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	
SXY	Stress in XY			yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ			yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	
Strain components					
EXX	Strain in XX			yes	
EYY	Strain in YY			yes	



EZZ	Strain in ZZ			yes	
EXY	Strain in XY			yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ			yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX			yes	

For a random vibration analysis (PSD) the following nodal data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	
SYX	Stress in XY			yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	
SXY	Stress in XY			yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ			yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	
SVM	Von Mises Stress			yes	
Strain components					
EXX	Strain in XX			yes	
EYY	Strain in YY			yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ			yes	
EXY	Strain in XY			yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ			yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX			yes	



16.1.7.1. THF (d3thdt) File

THF (d3thdt) File

Stress	Stress tensors are in the global cartesian system unless the option to use material axes has been invoked for orthotropic materials (CMPFLG on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY). By default results are available at top and bottom integration points and mid-surface but values can be output for all through thickness integration points by using MAXINT on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY
Strain	The Strain tensors output is optional. Values are in the global cartesian system unless the option to use material axes has been invoked for orthotropic materials (CMPFLG on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY). Only values at the top and bottom integration points are output. T/HIS will average these values for the mid surface.
Forces & Moments	Force and moment resultants are <data> per unit width, and are written in the element local axis system. Refer to "Theory of Plates and Shells", Timoshenko, for a precise definition of these values.
Extra	The "Extra History" data components will only appear in the menu if they have been selected for output (NEIPS on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY). These are output for the same surfaces / integration points as the stress tensor values.

Through Thickness Integration Points

NOTE: The top and bottom "surfaces" are **not** the outer fibres if the default Gaussian integration rules are used, but rather the outer and inner integration points. The relationship between integration point location and shell thickness depends on the number of integration points used.

The following diagram shows locations of integration points with respect to shell half-thickness ($t/2$) assuming the default Gaussian integration rules have been used:

No of Points	Distance of outer fibres from neutral axis as a proportion of $t/2$
1	0.0 (membrane)
2	0.577 $t/2$
3	0.775
4	0.861 $t/2$
5	0.906



The "top" (or outer) point is on the positive local Z side of the element neutral axis. The output of shell data from Ansys LS-DYNA will fall into one of two categories, and the "surface" options available in T/HIS depend on this.

NOTE: It is possible to use non-default integration schemes in Ansys LS-DYNA which may locate the integration points at different places. This is an advanced topic: contact Oasys Ltd Support for advice.

Default output case: 3 "surfaces"

In this case, regardless of how many integration points the shell elements may actually have through their thickness, Ansys LS-DYNA writes out:

Top surface : Top integration point
Centre surface : Computed neutral axis value
Bottom surface : Bottom integration point

Note that the "centre" surface here is the neutral axis value. For membrane elements all three sets of values will be the same.

Optional output case: user-defined number of integration points

The number of through thickness integration points written to the THF file can be modified using the value of MAXINT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card. If this parameter is changed then all thin and thick shell output written to the THF file will have MAXINT data slots for integration points in the file, regardless of how many integration points a given element may have through its thickness.

If MAXINT is not 3 then the order in which data is written to the THF file is controlled by the actual number of integration points of integration points in a shells formulation. The following table illustrates output for the case of MAXINT not equal to 3

Data slot in file	Shell with 3 Integration points	Shell with 5 Integration points	Shell with any other number of integration points
#1	Middle	Middle	Bottom
#2	Bottom	Bottom	
#3	Top	Bottom + 1	



#4	zero	Top - 1	 Top
#5	zero	Top	
#6	zero	zero	

NOTE: The THF file does NOT contain any information on the number of integration points each shell was defined with.

No explicit neutral axis value is calculated or output.

The outcome of writing more integration points than have been used in a shell formulation is undefined.

There is no guarantee that the "centre" surface in this context is the neutral axis value: this will depend upon the element integration scheme. In addition where the "centre" value has been averaged from a pair of points, when the number of layers is an even number, it will definitely not be the neutral axis value: consider plastic strain in a section in pure bending!

The ZTF file generated by PRIMER can help to resolve some of these problems.

THF File + ZTF File

If a ZTF file had been generated using PRIMER then T/HIS can use additional information from the ZTF to correctly work out the number of integration points each shell element was defined with. If an attempt is made to output data for a surface that does not exist in the THF file then T/HIS will generate a warning message and a NULL curve will be generated.

In addition to working out the correct number of through thickness integration points for each element T/HIS can also use the information in the ZTF to identify models where MAXINT has been set to a -ve number in order to generate data for multiple in-plane integration points.

Effect of plotting "Top" surface on models with MAXINT = 6 and MAXINT = 9 with and without a ZTF file.

	MAXINT = 6, no ZTF file	MAXINT = 6, ZTF file present	MAXINT = 9, no ZTF file	MAXINT = 9, ZTF file present
Shell 1 has 4 integration points	Undefined (#int points < 6)	Correct (int point #4)	Undefined (#int points < 9)	Correct (int point #4)
Shell 2 has 6 integration points	Correct (int point #6)	Correct (int point #6)	Undefined (#int points < 9)	Correct (int point #6)



Shell 3 has 9 integration points	Incorrect (6th integration point)	Warning message as #int points < 6	Correct (int point #9)	Correct (int point #9)

In-plane Integration Points

In some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is now possible to write out data for all 4 in-plane integration points for fully integrated shells by setting MAXINT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card to a -ve number. For example specifying a value of -8 will generate data for 8 layers each with 4 in-plane integration points. If this option is used then all the elements will be written out using this option regardless of whether they are fully integrated or not.

As there is no information in the THF to indicate that data for 4 in-plane integration points has been written to the file then the file format will be exactly the same as for an analysis with a +ve value of MAXINT 4 times larger. For example MAXINT = -8 and MAXINT = 32 will both produce THF files with 32 integration points worth of data and there is no way for T/HIS to know which value of MAXINT was used to generate the data. The ZTF file generated by PRIMER can help to resolve this problem.

If multiple in-plane integration points are written to the THF file then they are written in the following order.

```
Layer 1 - in-plane int point #1
Layer 2 - in-plane int point #1
....
Layer n - in-plane int point #1
Layer 1 - in-plane int point #2
Layer 2 - in-plane int point #2
....
Layer n - in-plane int point #2
Layer 1 - in-plane int point #3
....
```

NOTE: If non fully integrated shells are included in the list of elements written to the THF file then in some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA the 2nd, 3rd and 4th in-plane values will all be zero. Care should therefore be taken if the 4 in-plane values are averaged.

In some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA the 1st in-plane integration point is correctly written out using the global axis system while the 2nd, 3rd and 4th in-plane values are written using the elements local coordinate system. Care should therefore be taken if the 4 in-plane values are averaged.



16.1.7.2. LSDA (binout) File

LSDA (binout) File

Stress	By default stress tensors are in the local element coordinate system. Values are written out for all the through thickness and in-plane integration points.
Strain	The Strain tensors output is optional. By default the values are in the local element coordinate systems and only values at the top and bottom integration points are output. T/HIS will average these values for the mid surface.
Forces & Moments	These are not written to the LSDA file.
Extra	By default "Extra" data components are not written to the LSDA file. Some recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA can now write the "Extra" data components to the LSDA file if the parameters OPTION1, OPTION2, OPTION3 and OPTION4 are set on the *DATABASE_ELOUT card.

Global v Local coordinate system results

The LSDA file can contain both ELOUT and ELOUTDET data components. By default T/HIS uses the data from ELOUTDET as ELOUT only contains a subset of the data in ELOUTDET.

In some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is possible to change the Shell and ThickShell data components written to the ELOUT so that they are defined using the **Global coordinate** system (see EOCS on *CONTROL_OUTPUT) instead of the default **local element coordinate** system. If this option is used then only the ELOUT file is modified, the ELOUTDET file is still written using the **local element coordinate** system.

If T/HIS detects that the LSDA file contains both ELOUT and ELOUTDET and that they are using different coordinate systems then T/HIS will display an additional option can be used to force T/HIS to use the ELOUT file data instead of the ELOUTDET data.

Through Thickness Integration Points (surfaces/layers)

Unlike the THF file the LSDA file can contain different numbers of integration points for each element. This means that if "Top" surface is selected T/HIS can correctly identify which integration point it needs to read data from.

By default strain tensors are only written out for the top and bottom surfaces and T/HIS averages these for the mid surface values. In recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA the



parameter INTOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card can change this so that strain tensor values are written out for all the through thickness integration points. T/HIS does not currently support these additional values.

In-plane Integration Points

By default the LSDA file will contain data for all 4 in-plane integration points for any fully integrated shells. As with the THF file by default there is no information in the LSDA file to tell the difference between a shell with 32 through thickness integration points and a shell with 8 through thickness layers and 4 in-plane points per layer. If a ZTF file written by PRIMER is present then T/HIS can use the extra information on the ZTF to work out which elements have multiple in-plane points.

If the parameter INTOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card is set then the format of the LSDA file is changed and the LSDA file then contains enough information for T/HIS to identify the shells with multiple in-plane integration points without the ZTF file.

In addition to changing the format of the LSDA file setting INTOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card also outputs strain tensor values at each in-plane integration point as well as all the through thickness layers. T/HIS does not currently support strain values from multiple in-plane integration points.

Extrapolated Stress / Strain Values

The parameter NODOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card "gaa" can be used to generate stress and strain values that have been extrapolated to the nodal positions instead of values at the elements integration points. T/HIS does not currently support these extrapolated values.



16.1.8. Thick Shell Data Components

Thick Shell Data Components

For thick shells the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX	yes		yes	
SYX	Stress in YY	yes		yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ	yes		yes	
SXY	Stress in XY	yes		yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ	yes		yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX	yes		yes	
SMX	Maximum Principal Stress	yes		yes	
SMN	Minimum Principal Stress	yes		yes	
SMS	Maximum Shear Stress	yes		yes	
SVM	Von Mises Stress	yes		yes	
SAV	Average Stress (Pressure)	yes		yes	
STR	Stress Triaxiality Factor	yes		yes	
Strain components					
EFF	Effective Plastic Strain	yes		yes	
EXX	Strain in XX	yes		yes	
EYY	Strain in YY	yes		yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ	yes		yes	
EXY	Strain in XY	yes		yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ	yes		yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX	yes		yes	
EMX	Maximum Principal Strain	yes		yes	
EMN	Minimum Principal Strain	yes		yes	
EMS	Maximum Shear Strain	yes		yes	
EVM	Von Mises Strain	yes		yes	



EAV	Average Strain	yes		yes	
"Extra" components					
An	Extra Data Component	yes		yes	

Frequency Domain Analysis

For a steady state dynamic analysis (SSD) the following nodal data components are available. For each data component both amplitude and phase angle data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	
SYX	Stress in YY			yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	
SXY	Stress in XY			yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ			yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	
Strain components					
EXX	Strain in XX			yes	
EYX	Strain in YY			yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ			yes	
EXY	Strain in XY			yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ			yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX			yes	

For a random vibration analysis (PSD) the following nodal data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Stress components					
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	
SYX	Stress in YY			yes	
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	



SXY	Stress in XY			yes	
SYZ	Stress in YZ			yes	
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	
SVM	Von Mises Stress			yes	
Strain components					
EXX	Strain in XX			yes	
EYY	Strain in YY			yes	
EZZ	Strain in ZZ			yes	
EXY	Strain in XY			yes	
EYZ	Strain in YZ			yes	
EZX	Strain in ZX			yes	



16.1.8.1. THF (d3thdt) File

THF (d3thdt) File

Stress	Stress tensors are in the global cartesian system unless the option to use material axes has been invoked for orthotropic materials (CMPFLG on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY). By default results are available at top and bottom integration points and mid-surface but values can be output for all through thickness integration points by using MAXINT on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY
Strain	The Strain tensors output is optional. Values are in the global cartesian system unless the option to use material axes has been invoked for orthotropic materials (CMPFLG on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY). Only values at the top and bottom integration points are output. T/HIS will average these values for the mid surface.
Extra	The "Extra History" data components will only appear in the menu if they have been selected for output (NEIPS on *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY). These are output for the same surfaces / integration points as the stress tensor values.

Through Thickness Integration Points

NOTE: The top and bottom "surfaces" are **not** the outer fibres if the default Gaussian integration rules are used, but rather the outer and inner integration points. The relationship between integration point location and shell thickness depends on the number of integration points used.

The following diagram shows locations of integration points with respect to shell half-thickness ($t/2$) assuming the default Gaussian integration rules have been used:

No of Points	Distance of outer fibres from neutral axis as a proportion of $t/2$
1	0.0 (membrane)
2	0.577 $t/2$
3	0.775
4	0.861 $t/2$
5	0.906

The "top" (or outer) point is on the positive local Z side of the element neutral axis. The output of shell data from Ansys LS-DYNA will fall into one of two categories, and the "surface" options available in T/HIS depend on this.



NOTE: It is possible to use non-default integration schemes in Ansys LS-DYNA which may locate the integration points at different places. This is an advanced topic: contact Oasys Ltd Support for advice.

Default output case: 3 "surfaces"

In this case, regardless of how many integration points the shell elements may actually have through their thickness, Ansys LS-DYNA writes out:

Top surface : Top integration point

Centre surface : Computed neutral axis value

Bottom surface : Bottom integration point

Note that the "centre" surface here is the neutral axis value. For membrane elements all three sets of values will be the same.

Optional output case: user-defined number of integration points

The number of through thickness integration points written to the THF file can be modified using the value of MAXINT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card. If this parameter is changed then all thin and thick shell output written to the THF file will have MAXINT data slots for integration points in the file, regardless of how many integration points a given element may have through its thickness.

If MAXINT is not 3 then the order in which data is written to the THF file is controlled by the actual number of integration points of integration points in a shells formulation. The following table illustrates output for the case of MAXINT not equal to 3

Data slot in file	Thick Shell with 3 Integration points	Thick Shell with any other number of integration points
#1	Middle	Bottom
#2	Bottom	
#3	Top	



#4	zero	 Top
#5	zero	
#6	zero	

NOTE: The THF file does NOT contain any information on the number of integration points each shell was defined with.

No explicit neutral axis value is calculated or output.

The outcome of writing more integration points than have been used in a shell formulation is undefined.

There is no guarantee that the "centre" surface in this context is the neutral axis value: this will depend upon the element integration scheme. In addition where the "centre" value has been averaged from a pair of points, when the number of layers is an even number, it will definitely not be the neutral axis value: consider plastic strain in a section in pure bending!

The ZTF file generated by PRIMER can help to resolve some of these problems.

THF File + ZTF File

If a ZTF file had been generated using PRIMER then T/HIS can use additional information from the ZTF to correctly work out the number of integration points each shell element was defined with. If an attempt is made to output data for a surface that does not exist in the THF file then T/HIS will generate a warning message and a NULL curve will be generated.

In addition to working out the correct number of through thickness integration points for each element T/HIS can also use the information in the ZTF to identify models where MAXINT has been set to a -ve number in order to generate data for multiple in-plane integration points.

Effect of plotting "Top" surface on models with MAXINT = 6 and MAXINT = 9 with and without a ZTF file.

	MAXINT = 6, no ZTF file	MAXINT = 6, ZTF file present	MAXINT = 9, no ZTF file	MAXINT = 9, ZTF file present
Thick Shell 1 has 4 integration points	Undefined (#int points < 6)	Correct (int point #4)	Undefined (#int points < 9)	Correct (int point #4)
Thick Shell 2 has 6 integration points	Correct (int point #6)	Correct (int point #6)	Undefined (#int points < 9)	Correct (int point #6)



Thick Shell 3 has 9 integration points	Incorrect (6th integration point)	Warning message as #int points < 6	Correct (int point #9)	Correct (int point #9)

In-plane Integration Points

In some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is now possible to write out data for all 4 in-plane integration points for fully integrated shells by setting MAXINT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card to a -ve number. For example specifying a value of -8 will generate data for 8 layers each with 4 in-plane integration points. If this option is used then all the elements will be written out using this option regardless of whether they are fully integrated or not.

As there is no information in the THF to indicate that data for 4 in-plane integration points has been written to the file then the file format will be exactly the same as for an analysis with a +ve value of MAXINT 4 times larger. For example MAXINT = -8 and MAXINT = 32 will both produce THF files with 32 integration points worth of data and there is no way for T/HIS to know which value of MAXINT was used to generate the data. The ZTF file generated by PRIMER can help to resolve this problem.

If multiple in-plane integration points are written to the THF file then they are written in the following order.

Layer 1 - in-plane int point #1
Layer 2 - in-plane int point #1
....
Layer n - in-plane int point #1
Layer 1 - in-plane int point #2
Layer 2 - in-plane int point #2
....
Layer n - in-plane int point #2
Layer 1 - in-plane int point #3
....

NOTE: If non fully integrated shells are included in the list of elements written to the THF file then in some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA the 2nd, 3rd and 4th in-plane values will all be zero. Care should therefore be taken if the 4 in-plane values are averaged.

In some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA the 1st in-plane integration point is correctly written out using the global axis system while the 2nd, 3rd and 4th in-plane values are written using the elements local coordinate system. Care should therefore be taken if the 4 in-plane values are averaged.



16.1.8.2. LSDA (binout) File

LSDA (binout) File

Stress	By default stress tensors are in the local element coordinate system. Values are written out for all the through thickness and in-plane integration points.
Strain	The Strain tensors output is optional. By default values are in the local element coordinate systems and only values at the top and bottom integration points are output. T/HIS will average these values for the mid surface.
Extra	By default "Extra" data components are not written to the LSDA file. Some recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA can now write the "Extra" data components to the LSDA file if the parameters OPTION1, OPTION2, OPTION3 and OPTION4 are set on the *DATABASE_ELOUT card.

Global v Local coordinate system results

The LSDA file can contain both ELOUT and ELOUTDET data components. By default T/HIS uses the data from ELOUTDET as ELOUT only contains a subset of the data in ELOUTDET.

In some versions of Ansys LS-DYNA it is possible to change the Shell and ThickShell data components written to the ELOUT so that they are defined using the **Global coordinate** system (see EOCS on *CONTROL_OUTPUT) instead of the default **local element coordinate** system. If this option is used then only the ELOUT file is modified, the ELOUTDET file is still written using the **local element coordinate** system.

If T/HIS detects that the LSDA file contains both ELOUT and ELOUTDET and that they are using different coordinate systems then T/HIS will display an additional option can be used to force T/HIS to use the ELOUT file data instead of the ELOUTDET data.

Through Thickness Integration Points (surfaces/layers)

Unlike the THF file the LSDA file can contain different numbers of integration points for each element. This means that if "Top" surface is selected T/HIS can correctly identify which integration point it needs to read data from.

By default strain tensors are only written out for the top and bottom surfaces and T/HIS averages these for the mid surface values. In recent versions of Ansys LS-DYNA the parameter INTOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card can change this so that strain tensor values are written out for all the through thickness integration points. T/HIS does not currently support these additional values.



In-plane Integration Points

By default the LSDA file will contain data for all 4 in-plane integration points for any fully integrated shells. As with the THF file by default there is no information in the LSDA file to tell the difference between a shell with 32 through thickness integration points and a shell with 8 through thickness layers and 4 in-plane points per layer. If a ZTF file written by PRIMER is present then T/HIS can use the extra information on the ZTF to work out which elements have multiple in-plane points.

If the parameter INTOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card is set then the format of the LSDA file is changed and the LSDA file then contains enough information for T/HIS to identify the shells with multiple in-plane integration points without the ZTF file.

In addition to changing the format of the LSDA file setting INTOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card also outputs strain tensor values at each in-plane integration point as well as all the through thickness layers. T/HIS does not currently support strain values from multiple in-plane integration points.

Extrapolated Stress / Strain Values

The parameter NODOUT on the *DATABASE_EXTENT_BINARY card can be used to generate stress and strain values that have been extrapolated to the nodal positions instead of values at the elements integration points. T/HIS does not currently support these extrapolated values.



16.1.9. Rigid Wall Data Components

Rigid Wall Data Components

For rigid walls the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FN	Normal force		yes	yes	yes
FX	Global X force			yes	yes
FY	Global Y force			yes	yes
FZ	Global Z force			yes	yes

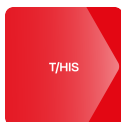


16.1.10. Discrete Element (Spring/Damper) Data Components

Discrete Element (Spring/Damper) Data Components

For springs and dampers the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FT	Force		yes	yes	yes
ET	Elongation		yes	yes	yes
FE	Force versus Elongation		yes		
EN	Energy		yes		
MT	Moment		yes	yes	yes
RT	Rotation		yes	yes	yes
MR	Moment versus Rotation		yes		
FX	Global X force			yes	yes
FY	Global Y force			yes	yes
FZ	Global Z force			yes	yes
MX	Moment in X			yes	yes
MY	Moment in Y			yes	yes
MZ	Moment in Z			yes	yes



16.1.11. Seat Belt Data Components

Seat Belt Data Components

For seat belts the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FT	Force		yes	yes	yes
ST	Strain		yes		
FS	Force versus Strain		yes		
CL	Current Length			yes	yes



16.1.12. Retractor Data Components

Retractor Data Components

For retractors the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FT	Force		yes	yes	yes
PT	Pullout		yes	yes	yes
FP	Force versus Pullout		yes		



16.1.13. Slipping Data Components

Slipping Data Components

For slippings the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
PT	Pull through		yes	yes	yes
WA	Warp Angle			yes	yes
SK	Skew Angle			yes	yes
FR	Friction Coefficient			yes	yes
NF	Normal Force			yes	yes
SB1	Side 1 Belt Force			yes	yes
SB2	Side 2 Belt Force			yes	yes



16.1.14. Contact Data Components

Contact Data Components

For contacts the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FXA	A Surface X force		yes	yes	yes
FYA	A Surface Y force		yes	yes	yes
FZA	A Surface Z force		yes	yes	yes
FMA	A Surface Force Magnitude		yes	yes	yes
FXB	B Surface X force		yes	yes	yes
FYB	B Surface Y force		yes	yes	yes
FZB	B Surface Z force		yes	yes	yes
FMB	B Surface Force Magnitude		yes	yes	yes
TEN	Total energy (A + B surface)		yes	yes	yes
MXA	A Surface X moment			yes	yes
MYA	A Surface Y moment			yes	yes
MZA	A Surface Z moment			yes	yes
MXB	B Surface X moment			yes	yes
MYB	B Surface Y moment			yes	yes
MZB	B Surface Z moment			yes	yes
MA	A Surface Mass			yes	yes
MB	B Surface Mass			yes	yes
AEN	A Surface side energy		yes	yes	yes
BEN	B Surface side energy		yes	yes	yes
FRI	Frictional energy		yes	yes	yes



16.1.15. Nodal Reaction Force Data Components

Nodal Reaction Force Data Components

For nodal reactions the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FX	X Force		yes	yes	yes
FY	Y Force		yes	yes	yes
FZ	Z Force		yes	yes	yes
FM	Force Magnitude		yes	yes	yes
EN	Energy			yes	yes
LFX	Local X force			yes	yes
LFY	Local Y force			yes	yes
LFZ	Local Z force			yes	yes



16.1.16. Airbag Data Components

Airbag Data Components

For airbags the following data components are available. Versions of Ansys LS-DYNA 971 can also generate PART based data for AIRBAGS that use the PARTICLE airbag methods.

If *DATABASE_CPM_SENSOR has been used to define sensors then the output for the sensors will also be available under the AIRBAG data components.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Airbag components					
PR	Pressure		yes	yes	yes
VO	Volume		yes	yes	yes
IE	Internal energy		yes	yes	yes
IN	Mass flow rate in		yes	yes	yes
OU	Mass flow rate out		yes	yes	yes
MIN	Mass in			yes	yes
MOU	Mass Out			yes	yes
TM	Total mass		yes	yes	yes
DE	Density			yes	yes
SA	Surface area			yes	yes
TE	Gas temperature			yes	yes
RF	Reaction force			yes	yes
MAF	Mass flow rate through fabric			yes	yes
MAV	Mass flow rate through vent			yes	yes
MOF	Mass out through fabric			yes	yes
MOV	Mass flow through vent			yes	yes
TK	Translational Kinetic Energy			yes	
IF	Inflator Energy			yes	
DMP	Damping Energy			yes	
PP	Average Particle Pressure			yes	
Part components					



PR	Pressure			yes	
MAF	Flow rate through fabric			yes	
MAV	Flow rate through vent			yes	
TA	Total area			yes	
UN	Unblocked area			yes	
TE	Gas temperature			yes	
PPR	Pressure s+			yes	
NPR	Pressure s-			yes	
HC	Heat Convection Energy			yes	
EV	Enhanced Vent			yes	
LE	Leak Energy			yes	
PVO	Por Volume			yes	

Airbag Chamber components

PR	Pressure			yes	
VO	Volume			yes	
IE	Internal energy			yes	
IN	Mass flow rate in			yes	
OU	Mass flow rate out			yes	
TM	Total mass			yes	
DE	Density			yes	
SA	Surface area			yes	
TE	Gas temperature			yes	
RF	Reaction force			yes	
TR	Translational Energy			yes	
NP	Number of Particle			yes	
PP	Average Particle Pressure			yes	

CPM Sensor Components (*DATABASE_CPM_SENSOR)

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
X	X Co-ordinate of Sensor			yes	yes
Y	Y Co-ordinate of Sensor			yes	yes
Z	Z Co-ordinate of Sensor			yes	yes



VX	X Velocity			yes	yes
VY	Y Velocity			yes	yes
VZ	Z Velocity			yes	yes
VM	Velocity Magnitude			yes	yes
PR	Pressure			yes	yes
DE	Density			yes	yes
TE	Temperature			yes	yes
NP	N Particles			yes	yes



16.1.17. Joint Data Components

Joint Data Components

For joints the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Basic Joints					
FX	Global X force			yes	yes
FY	Global Y force			yes	yes
FZ	Global Z force			yes	yes
FM	Force Magnitude			yes	yes
MX	Moment in X			yes	yes
MY	Moment in Y			yes	yes
MZ	Moment in Z			yes	yes
MM	Moment Magnitude			yes	yes
EN	Energy			yes	yes
General Stiffness Joints					
XD	X Displacement			yes	yes
DXD	d(X)/dt			yes	yes
XSF	X stiffness force			yes	yes
XDF	X damping force			yes	yes
XTF	X total force			yes	yes
YD	Y displacement			yes	yes
DYD	d(Y)/dt			yes	yes
YSF	Y stiffness force			yes	yes
YDF	Y damping force			yes	yes
YTF	Y total force			yes	yes
ZD	Z displacement			yes	yes
DZD	d(Z)/dt			yes	yes
ZSF	Z stiffness force			yes	yes
ZDF	Z damping force			yes	yes
ZTF	Z total force			yes	yes



EN	Total joint energy			yes	yes
Flexion Torsion Joints					
AA	Alpha angle			yes	yes
DA	d(Alpha)/dt			yes	yes
ALS	Alpha stiffness moment			yes	yes
ALD	Alpha damping moment			yes	yes
ALT	Alpha total moment			yes	yes
BA	Beta angle			yes	yes
DB	d(Beta)/dt			yes	yes
BES	Beta stiffness moment			yes	yes
BED	Beta damping moment			yes	yes
BET	Beta total moment			yes	yes
GA	Gamma angle			yes	yes
DG	d(Gamma)/dt			yes	yes
GSF	Gamma scale factor			yes	yes
EN	Total joint energy			yes	yes
Translational Joints					
XD	X displacement			yes	yes
DXD	d(X)/dt			yes	yes
YD	Y displacement			yes	yes
DYD	d(Y)/dt			yes	yes
ZD	Z displacement			yes	yes
DZD	d(Z)/dt			yes	yes
XSF	X stiffness			yes	yes
XDF	X damping			yes	yes
XTF	X total			yes	yes
YSF	Y stiffness			yes	yes
YDF	Y damping			yes	yes
YTF	Y total			yes	yes
ZSF	Z stiffness			yes	yes
ZDF	Z damping			yes	yes
ZTF	Z total			yes	yes



EN	Total joint energy			yes	yes
Cylindrical Joints					
PD	P displacement			yes	yes
DPD	d(P)/dt			yes	yes
RD	R displacement			yes	yes
DRD	d(R)/dt			yes	yes
ZD	Z displacement			yes	yes
DZD	d(Z)/dt			yes	yes
PSF	P stiffness			yes	yes
XDF	P damping			yes	yes
XTF	P total			yes	yes
RSF	R stiffness			yes	yes
RDF	R damping			yes	yes
RTF	R total			yes	yes
ZSF	Z stiffness			yes	yes
ZDF	Z damping			yes	yes
ZTF	Z total			yes	yes
EN	Total joint energy			yes	yes



16.1.18. Cross Section Data Components

Cross Section Data Components

For cross sections the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FX	X Force			yes	yes
FY	Y Force			yes	yes
FZ	Z Force			yes	yes
RM	Force Magnitude			yes	yes
MX	Moment in X			yes	yes
MY	Moment in Y			yes	yes
MZ	Moment in Z			yes	yes
MM	Moment Magnitude			yes	yes
CX	X centroid coordinate			yes	yes
CY	Y centroid coordinate			yes	yes
CZ	Z centroid coordinate			yes	yes
AR	Area of Cross Section			yes	yes



16.1.19. Subsystem Data Components

Subsystem Data Components

For subsystems the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Energy					
KE	Kinetic energy			yes	yes
IE	Internal energy			yes	yes
HG	Hourglass energy			yes	yes
KR	Kinetic energy ratio			yes	yes
IM	Internal energy ratio			yes	yes
Momentum					
XM	X momentum			yes	yes
YM	Y momentum			yes	yes
ZM	Z momentum			yes	yes
Mass					
TM	Total Mass			yes	yes
CM	Center of Mass			yes	
XCM	X Center of Mass			yes	yes
YCM	Y Center of Mass			yes	yes
ZCM	Z Center of Mass			yes	yes
Inertia Tensors					
I11	Inertia Tensor Row11			yes	yes
I12	Inertia Tensor Row12			yes	yes
I13	Inertia Tensor Row13			yes	yes
I21	Inertia Tensor Row11			yes	yes
I22	Inertia Tensor Row12			yes	yes
I23	Inertia Tensor Row13			yes	yes
I31	Inertia Tensor Row11			yes	yes
I32	Inertia Tensor Row12			yes	yes
I33	Inertia Tensor Row13			yes	yes



Principal Inertia					
I1	Principal Inertia Row11			yes	yes
I2	Principal Inertia Row22			yes	yes
I3	Principal Inertia Row33			yes	yes
Principal Directions					
P11	Principal Directions Row11			yes	yes
P12	Principal Directions Row12			yes	yes
P13	Principal Directions Row13			yes	yes
P21	Principal Directions Row11			yes	yes
P22	Principal Directions Row12			yes	yes
P23	Principal Directions Row13			yes	yes
P31	Principal Directions Row11			yes	yes
P32	Principal Directions Row12			yes	yes
P33	Principal Directions Row13			yes	yes



16.1.20. Geometric Contact Data Components

Geometric Contact Data Components

For geometric contact entities the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FX	X Force			yes	yes
FY	Y Force			yes	yes
FZ	Z Force			yes	yes
RM	Force Magnitude			yes	yes
MX	Moment in X			yes	yes
MY	Moment in Y			yes	yes
MZ	Moment in Z			yes	yes
MM	Moment Magnitude			yes	yes



16.1.21. Nodal Rigid Body Data Components

Nodal Rigid Body Data Components

For nodal rigid bodies the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
DX	X Displacement			yes	yes
DY	Y Displacement			yes	yes
DZ	Z Displacement			yes	yes
DM	Displacement Magnitude			yes	yes
VX	X Velocity			yes	yes
VY	Y Velocity			yes	yes
VZ	Z Velocity			yes	yes
VM	Velocity Magnitude			yes	yes
AX	X Acceleration			yes	yes
AY	Y Acceleration			yes	yes
AZ	Z Acceleration			yes	yes
AM	Acceleration Magnitude			yes	yes
CX	X Co-ordinate			yes	yes
CY	Y Co-ordinate			yes	yes
CZ	Z Co-ordinate			yes	yes
RX	X Rotation			yes	yes
RY	Y Rotation			yes	yes
RZ	Z Rotation			yes	yes
RM	Rotation Magnitude			yes	yes
RVX	X Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
RVY	Y Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
RVZ	Z Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
RVM	Rotational Velocity Magnitude			yes	yes
RAX	X Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes
RAY	Y Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes



RAZ	Z Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes
RAM	Rotational Acceleration Magnitude			yes	yes
D11	Direction Cosine 11			yes	
D12	Direction Cosine 12			yes	
D13	Direction Cosine 13			yes	
D21	Direction Cosine 21			yes	
D22	Direction Cosine 22			yes	
D23	Direction Cosine 23			yes	
D31	Direction Cosine 31			yes	
D32	Direction Cosine 32			yes	
D33	Direction Cosine 33			yes	
LDX	Local X Displacement			yes	yes
LDY	Local Y Displacement			yes	yes
LDZ	Local Z Displacement			yes	yes
LVX	Local X Velocity			yes	yes
LVY	Local Y Velocity			yes	yes
LVZ	Local Z Velocity			yes	yes
LAX	Local X Acceleration			yes	yes
LAY	Local Y Acceleration			yes	yes
LAZ	Local Z Acceleration			yes	yes
LRX	Local X Rotation			yes	yes
LRY	Local Y Rotation			yes	yes
LRZ	Local Z Rotation			yes	yes
LRVX	Local X Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
LRVY	Local Y Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
LRVZ	Local Z Rotational Velocity			yes	yes
LRAX	Local X Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes
LRAY	Local Y Rotational Acceleration			yes	yes
LRAZ	Local Z Rotational			yes	yes



16.1.22. Spotweld Data Components

Spotweld Data Components

For spotwelds the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
AX	Axial force			yes	yes
SH	Shear force			yes	yes
LE	Length			yes	yes
FT	Failure Time			yes	yes
FA	Failure			yes	yes
MM	Moment Magnitude			yes	yes
TO	Torsion			yes	yes
The following additional data components are also available for Solid Spotwelds and Spotweld Assemblies if the DCFAIL file is written.					
FF	DC Failure Function			yes	yes
NF	Normal Failure Term			yes	yes
SF	Shear Failure Term			yes	yes
BF	Bending Failure Term			yes	yes
AR	Spotweld Area			yes	yes

The DCFAIL file contains additional data for spotweld solids and clusters models using the _DAIMLERCHRYSLER version of *MAT_SPOTWELD (this version of the material does not support beam elements). The file contains additional failure data showing how close to failure the spotweld is in tension, shear, bending and torsion, in addition it contains another copy the normal spotweld forces written to the SWFORC file.

The new data components appear under the SOLID and ASSEMBLY sub types within the SPOTWELD menu. If the SWFORC file is also present then the normal forces and read from the SWFORC file, if the SWFORC file doesn't exist but the DCFAIL file does then the data components (Normal, shear forces etc) that are mirrored in the DCFAIL file are read from there instead.

As the DCFAIL file only contains the ID's and not the types or each connection then it is not possible to tell from the DCFAIL file alone which items are solids and which ones are spotweld clusters. If the SWFORC file is present then T/HIS used the information in this file to match up the ID's and work out the type of each item in the DCFAIL file. If the



SWFORC file isn't present then it attempts to use the data in the ZTF file to work out the types.



16.1.23. SPC Data Components

SPC Data Components

For SPC's the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FX	X Force			yes	yes
FY	Y Force			yes	yes
FZ	Z Force			yes	yes
FM	Force Magnitude			yes	yes
MX	Moment in X			yes	yes
MY	Moment in Y			yes	yes
MZ	Moment in Z			yes	yes
MM	Moment Magnitude			yes	yes



16.1.24. Boundary Condition Data Components

Boundary Condition Data Components

For SPC's the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
For Pressure and Force Boundary conditions the following components are available.					
FX	Applied X Force			yes	yes
FY	Applied Y Force			yes	yes
FZ	Applied Z Force			yes	yes
FR	Applied Resultant force			yes	yes
EN	Energy from applied force			yes	yes
For Nodal Velocity Boundary conditions the following components are available.					
FX	Boundary condition motion X Force			yes	yes
FY	Boundary condition motion Y Force			yes	yes
FZ	Boundary condition motion Z Force			yes	yes
FR	Resultant Boundary condition motion force			yes	yes
EN	Energy from Boundary condition motion			yes	yes
For Rigid Body Velocity Boundary conditions the following components are available.					
FX	Boundary condition motion X Force			yes	yes
FY	Boundary condition motion Y Force			yes	yes
FZ	Boundary condition motion Z Force			yes	yes
FR	Resultant Boundary condition motion force			yes	yes
EN	Energy from Boundary condition motion			yes	yes



MX	Boundary condition motion X Moment			yes	yes
MY	Boundary condition motion Y Moment			yes	yes
MZ	Boundary condition motion Z Moment			yes	yes
MM	Boundary condition			yes	yes



16.1.25. FSI Data Components

FSI Data Components

For Fluid structural interactions the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
PR	Pressure				yes
FX	X Force				yes
FY	Y Force				yes
FZ	Z Force				yes
FM	Force Magnitude				yes
PL	Porous Leakage				yes
MF	Mass Flux				yes
LFX	Leakage X Force				yes
LFY	Leakage Y Force				yes
LFZ	Leakage Z Force				yes
LFM	Leakage Force Magnitude				yes
TE	Part Temperature				yes
X	X Co-ordinate of Sensor				yes
Y	Y Co-ordinate of Sensor				yes
Z	Z Co-ordinate of Sensor				yes
PR	Pressure				yes
SO	Cpld Solid ID				yes
TE	Temperature at Sensor				yes



16.1.26. SPH Data Components

SPH Data Components

For SPH's the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
DE	Density			yes	yes
EXX	Strain in XX			yes	yes
EYY	Strain in YY			yes	yes
EZZ	Strain in ZZ			yes	yes
EXY	Strain in XY			yes	yes
EYZ	Strain in YZ			yes	yes
EZX	Strain in ZX			yes	yes
EFS	Effective Stress			yes	yes
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	yes
SYX	Stress in YY			yes	yes
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	yes
SXY	Stress in XY			yes	yes
SYZ	Stress in YZ			yes	yes
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	yes
SM	Smoothing Length			yes	yes



16.1.27. Tracer Data Components

Tracer Data Components

For tracers the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
CX	X Co-ordinate			yes	yes
CY	Y Co-ordinate			yes	yes
CZ	Z Co-ordinate			yes	yes
CV	Current vector			yes	yes
VX	X Velocity			yes	yes
VY	Y Velocity			yes	yes
VZ	Z Velocity			yes	yes
VM	Velocity Magnitude			yes	yes
SXX	Stress in XX			yes	yes
SYX	Stress in XY			yes	yes
SYY	Stress in YY			yes	yes
SZZ	Stress in ZZ			yes	yes
SZY	Stress in YZ			yes	yes
SZX	Stress in ZX			yes	yes
EFP	Effective Plastic Strain			yes	yes
DE	Density			yes	yes
RV	Relative volume			yes	yes
AC	Active			yes	yes



16.1.28. Pulley Data Components

Pulley Data Components

For pulleys the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FT	Force			yes	yes
SL	Slip			yes	yes
SR	Slip Rate			yes	yes
AN	Warp Angle			yes	yes



16.1.29. ICFD Data Components

ICFD Data Components

For ICFD results the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
ICFD Nodes and ICFD Points					
CX	X Co-ordinate				yes
CY	Y Co-ordinate				yes
CZ	Z Co-ordinate				yes
CV	Current vector				yes
VX	X Velocity				yes
VY	Y Velocity				yes
VZ	Z Velocity				yes
VM	Velocity Magnitude				yes
AVX	X AVelocity				yes
AVY	Y AVelocity				yes
AVZ	Z AVelocity				yes
AVM	AVelocity Magnitude				yes
PR	Pressure				yes
DE	Density				yes
VC	Viscosity				yes
VTX	X Vorticity				yes
VTY	Y Vorticity				yes
VTZ	Z Vorticity				yes
VTM	Vorticity Magnitude				yes
QC	Q Critical				yes
VT	Viscous Turbulence				yes
PA	P Average				yes
LS	LSet				yes
A	Alpha				yes
TE	Temperature				yes



ICFD Drag					
FPX	X Pressure Drag				yes
FPY	Y Pressure Drag				yes
FPZ	Z Pressure Drag				yes
FPM	Pressure Drag Magnitude				yes
FVX	X Viscous Drag				yes
FVY	Y Viscous Drag				yes
FVZ	Z Viscous Drag				yes
FVM	Viscous Drag Magnitude				yes
MPX	MX Pressure Drag				yes
MPY	MY Pressure Drag				yes
MPZ	MZ Pressure Drag				yes
MPM	Pressure Drag Moment Magnitude				yes
MVX	MX Viscous Drag				yes
MVY	MY Viscous Drag				yes
MVZ	MZ Viscous Drag				yes
MVM	Viscous Drag Moment Magnitude				yes
ICFD Temperature					
TAA	Temperature Area Average				yes
TSA	Temperature Sum Average				yes
TEH	Average Heat Flux				yes
AR	Total Area				yes
HTC	Heat Transfer Coefficient				yes
ICFD ICV					
PR	Pressure			yes	yes
VO	Volume			yes	yes
ICFD ICVI					
AR	Area			yes	yes
FR	Flow Rate			yes	yes



16.1.30. CESE Data Components

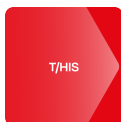
CESE Data Components

For CESE results the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
CESE Element and CESE Points					
CX	X Co-ordinate				yes
CY	Y Co-ordinate				yes
CZ	Z Co-ordinate				yes
CV	Current vector				yes
VX	X Velocity				yes
VY	Y Velocity				yes
VZ	Z Velocity				yes
VM	Velocity Magnitude				yes
VTX	X Vorticity				yes
VTY	Y Vorticity				yes
VTZ	Z Vorticity				yes
VTM	Vorticity Magnitude				yes
DE	Density				yes
PR	Pressure				yes
TE	Temperature				yes
CESE FSI Drag					
FPX	X Pressure Force				yes
FPY	Y Pressure Force				yes
FPZ	Z Pressure Force				yes
FPM	Pressure Force Magnitude				yes
CESE Segment Set Drag					
FPX	X Pressure Force				yes
FPY	Y Pressure Force				yes
FPZ	Z Pressure Force				yes
FPM	Pressure Force Magnitude				yes



FVX	X Viscous Force				yes
FVY	Y Viscous Force				yes
FVZ	Z Viscous Force				yes
FVM	Viscous Force Magnitude				yes
AR	Total Area				yes



16.1.31. EM Data Components

EM Data Components

For EM results the following da

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
EM Element, EM Node and EM Points					
CX	X Co-ordinate				yes
CY	Y Co-ordinate				yes
CZ	Z Co-ordinate				yes
CV	Current vector				yes
ECX	X Current				yes
ECY	Y Current				yes
ECZ	Z Current				yes
ECM	Current Magnitude				yes
BFX	X BField				yes
BFY	Y BField				yes
BFZ	Z BField				yes
BFM	BField Magnitude				yes
AFX	X AField				yes
AFY	Y AField				yes
AFZ	Z AField				yes
AFM	AField Magnitude				yes
S	Sigma				yes
MUR	Mu-R				yes
JHR	JHRate				yes
LFX	X Lorentz Force				yes
LFY	Y Lorentz Force				yes
LFZ	Z Lorentz Force				yes
LFM	Lorentz Force Magnitude				yes
EFX	X EField				yes
EFY	Y EField				yes



EFZ	Z EField				yes
EFM	EField Magnitude				yes
EM Circuit					
EVO	Voltage				yes
ECH	Charge				yes
ECU	Current				yes
ECR	Circuit Resistance				yes
EER	Equivalent Resistance				yes
ECI	Inductance				yes
EM1	Mutual Inductance 1				yes
EM2	Mutual Inductance 2				yes
EM3	Mutual Inductance 3				yes
EM Circuit0D					
EVO	Voltage				yes
ECH	Charge				yes
ECU	Current				yes
ECE	Total Energy				yes
EM PartData					
LFX	X Lorentz Force				yes
LFY	Y Lorentz Force				yes
LFZ	Z Lorentz Force				yes
LFM	Lorentz Force Magnitude				yes
JHE	Joule Heating Energy				yes
MAG	Magnetic Energy				yes
KIN	Kinetic Energy				yes
PLA	Plastic Energy				yes
EM IsoPotOut					
EVO	Voltage				yes
ECU	Current				yes
EM CircuitRes					
ECV	Contact Current				yes
ECR	Contact Resistance				yes



ECJ	Contact Joule heat rate				yes
ECA	Contact Area				yes
EM BoundaryOut					
EBV	Voltage				yes
EBC	Current				yes
EBA	Area				yes
EM IsoPotConnOut					
EVO	Voltage				yes
ECH	Charge				yes
ECU	Current				yes
ECR	Contact Resistance				yes
POW	Power				yes
ENE	Energy				yes
EM RandlesCell					
TVO	TotVoltage				yes
OCV	OCV				yes
DVO	DampVoltage				yes
RCU	Current				yes
SOC	SOC				yes
SOF	SOCFunc				yes
SOS	SOCShift				yes
SOM	SOCSum				yes
RR0	R0				yes
R10	R10				yes
C10	C10				yes
TEM	Temp				yes
CNM	Ckt Number				yes
EM RandlesIntshortCell					
MXR	Maximum resistance				yes
SHC	Short circuits				yes
TOC	Total circuits				yes
TOR	Total resistance				yes



ARS	Area short				yes
EM RogoCoil					
RVC	Volume Current				yes
RSC	Surface Current				yes
RVM	Magnetic Field				yes
EM Global					
RUN	Run timestep				yes
CFL	Condition timestep				yes
RBC	Ratio				yes
TVO	TotVoltage				yes
OCV	OCV				yes
DVO	DampVoltage				yes
RCU	Current				yes
SOC	SOC				yes
SOF	SOCFunc				yes
SOS	SOCShift				yes
SOM	SOCSum				yes
RR0	R0				yes
R10	R10				yes
C10	C10				yes
TEM	Temp				yes
VC2	VC2				yes
VC3	VC3				yes
R20	R20				yes
R30	R30				yes
C20	C20				yes
C30	C30				yes
OHP	Ohm Heat Power				yes
RHP	Reversible Heat Power				yes
ECP	Equivalent Capacity Power				yes
OHE	Ohm heat energy				yes
RHE	Reversible heat energy				yes



ECE	Equivalent Capacity energy				yes
ESE	Equivalent storage energy				yes
ECJH	Ext ckt Joule Heating				yes
ECME	Ext ckt Magnetic Energy				yes
ECCE	Ext ckt Capacitor Energy				yes
MJH	Mesh conductor Joule Heating				yes
MME	Mesh conductor Mag Energy				yes
AME	Air Magnetic Energy				yes
TEE	Total EM Energy				yes
TPE	Total Plastic Energy				yes
TKE	Total kinetic Energy				yes
MSR	Maximum short resistance				yes
NSC	Number of short circuits				yes
TNC	Total number of circuits				yes
TSR	Total short resistance				yes
MXR	Maximum resistance				yes
SHC	Short circuits				yes
TOC	Total circuits				yes
TOR	Total resistance				yes
TRS	Area short				yes



16.1.32. Particle Blast Data Components

Particle Blast Data Components

For PBLASTs the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
Particle blast components					
AIE	Air internal energy			yes	yes
DPIE	Detonation product internal energy			yes	yes
OIE	Outside domain internal energy			yes	yes
ATE	Air translational energy			yes	yes
DPTE	Detonation product translational energy			yes	yes
OTE	Outside domain translational energy			yes	yes
Part components					
APR	Air pressure			yes	yes
DPPR	Detonation product pressure			yes	yes
RPR	Resultant pressure			yes	yes
AR	Surface Area			yes	yes
AFX	Air X Force			yes	yes
AFY	Air Y Force			yes	yes
AFZ	Air Z Force			yes	yes
DPFX	Detonation product X Force			yes	yes
DPFY	Detonation product Y Force			yes	yes
DPFZ	Detonation product Z Force			yes	yes
RFX	Resultant X Force			yes	yes
RFY	Resultant Y Force			yes	yes
RFZ	Resultant Z Force			yes	yes



16.1.33. Pressure Tube Data Components

Pressure Tube Data Components

For pressure tubes the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
AR	Cross section area			yes	yes
DE	Density			yes	yes
PR	Pressure			yes	yes
VEL	Velocity			yes	yes



16.1.34. Bearing Data Components

Bearing Data Components

For bearings the following data components are available.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FX	X Force				yes
FY	Y Force				yes
FZ	Z Force				yes
MX	X Moment				yes
MY	Y Moment				yes
MZ	Z Moment				yes
DX	X Displacement				yes
DY	Y Displacement				yes
DZ	Z Displacement				yes
AX	X Angle				yes
AY	Y Angle				yes
AZ	Z Angle				yes
LFX	Local X Force				yes
LFY	Local Y Force				yes
LFZ	Local Z Force				yes
LMX	Local X Moment				yes
LMY	Local Y Moment				yes
LMZ	Local Z Moment				yes
LDX	Local X Displacement				yes
LDY	Local Y Displacement				yes
LDZ	Local Z Displacement				yes
LAX	Local X Angle				yes
LAY	Local Y Angle				yes
LAZ	Local Z Angle				yes



16.1.35. DE to Surface Coupling Contact Data Components

DE to Surface Coupling Contact Data Components

For non-tied coupling interfaces between discrete element spheres (DES) and surfaces defined by shell part(s) or solid part(s) contacts, the following data components are available. This component is also known as DEMRCF in T/HIS.

	Component	THF (d3thdt)	XTF (xtfile)	LSDA (binout)	ASCII
FX	X Force			yes	yes
FY	Y Force			yes	yes
FZ	Z Force			yes	yes
FM	Force Magnitude			yes	yes
MX	X Moment			yes	yes
MY	Y Moment			yes	yes
MZ	Z Moment			yes	yes
MM	Moment Magnitude			yes	yes
Mass	Mass			yes	yes



16.2. APPENDIX B - T/HIS Curve File Format

APPENDIX B - T/HIS CURVE FILE FORMAT

A curve file is a file of x, y values which can be read into T/HIS for plotting. It can be written by T/HIS or by another program, or created using a text editor.

The format is as flexible as possible to allow many types of data to be handled.

Line 1 : Title
Line 2 : X axis label
Line 3 : Y axis label
Line 4 : Curve label
Line 5 : X, Y point 1
Line 6 : X, Y point 2
:
Line n+4 : X, Y point n

The X and Y values can be in any format as long as the two values are separated by either a space or comma. Up to 500000 points can be input.

Several curves can be put in one file sequentially, separated by the word CONTINUE. The title and three label lines must be present for each curve.

A comment line may be included anywhere in the file by starting the line with a '\$'.

Comment lines above the curve's title can contain styles and curve tags associated with the corresponding curve.



16.2.1. Curve STYLE Information

Curve STYLE Information

From version 9.1 onwards T/HIS will recognise a line starting **\$ STYLE** as a style request for the following curve and the curve will be displayed with the corresponding style

A **\$ STYLE** line will take the format

**\$ STYLE : LINE STYLE, LINE COLOUR, LINE WIDTH, LINE SYMBOLS,
SYMBOL FREQUENCY**

The following **\$ STYLE** options are available:

Style options	Available styles	Default
LINE STYLE	solid dash none	solid
LINE COLOUR	white red green blue cyan magenta yellow orange turquoise indigo lime	dependent on curve#
LINE WIDTH	fine normal bold heavy	normal
LINE SYMBOLS	triangle square diamond hourglass cross circle start dot null	dependent on curve#
SYMBOL FREQUENCY	frequency number (integer)	



16.2.2. Curve TAGs

Curve TAGs

T/HIS will recognise a line starting with **\$ TAG** as a tag for the following curve and the tag can be used in T/HIS to reference the corresponding curve

a **\$ TAG** line will take the format

\$ TAG : *tag name*



16.2.3. Curve UNITS

Curve UNITS

From version 9.4 onwards a T/HIS curve file can also contain information on the Unit system and the X and Y axis units.

A unit system is defined by a line starting with **\$ UNIT SYSTEM** and will take the format

\$ UNIT SYSTEM : *system name*

The following unit systems names can be specified by using either the full name or just "Un ."

U1: m, kg, s (SI)
 U2: mm, t, s
 U3: mm, kg, ms
 U4: mm, g, ms
 U5: ft, slug, s
 U6: m, t, s

The X and Y axis units are defined by a line starting with either **\$ X AXIS UNIT** or **\$ Y AXIS UNIT** and take one of the 2 following formats

\$ X AXIS UNIT : *unit name*

\$ X AXIS UNIT : *mass,length,time,angle,temperature,current*

For the 1st format the following predefined unit names are available.

Time	Rotation	Momentum	Energy Den
Energy	Rot Vel	Density	Mass Flow
Work	Rot Accel	Stress	Frequency
Temperature	Length	Strain	Power
Displacement	Area	Force	Thermal Flux
Velocity	Volume	Moment	Force width
Accel	Mass	Pressure	Moment width

If the axis units are NOT one of these predefined units then the second input format can be used to define the unit in terms of it's basic properties. The values for ***mass, length, time, angle, temperature*** and ***current*** should be the powers that are used to describe the unit in terms of it's fundamental dimensions.

Some examples of common units defined using this method are shown below.

Unit	Mass	Length	Time	Angle	Temperature	Current
Time	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Displacement	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



Velocity	0.0	1.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Acceleration	0.0	1.0	-2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Stress	-1.0	1.0	-2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



16.2.4. Example

Example

The following example shows a curve file containing 2 curves.

The first curve will be plotted with a bold, solid, green line with triangular symbols every other data point. The curve contains 5 data points and is given a reference tag CURVE_1

The second curve will be plotted with a dashed, white, normal line. No symbols will be displayed. The curve contains 2 data points and has no reference tag.

\$	Comment line
\$ STYLE : solid,green,bold,triangle,2	Style line
\$ TAG : CURVE_1	Tag line
\$	Comment line
CURVE FILE EXAMPLE	;Title
Time	;X axis label
Displacement	;Y axis label
Curve number 1	;Curve label
0 2.0	;1st data pair
1.0 4E-3	
4.0, 4.7	
5 4	
10.0 8.9	
	;End of 1st curve
CONTINUE	
\$	Comment line
\$	Comment line
\$ STYLE : dash,white,,,	Style line
CURVE FILE EXAMPLE	;Title
Time	
Displacement	
Curve number 2	
0.0 7E2	
2.0 8.7E-9	

Notes:

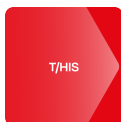
The abscissa (x axis) values are assumed to be in the correct order.

The free format allowed for the data points.

The style line must contain 5 comma separated words in the order LINE STYLE, LINE COLOUR, LINE WIDTH, LINE SYMBOLS, SYMBOL FREQUENCY to be successfully understood by T/HIS.



If any words are unspecified in the style line, as in curve 2, T/HIS will take the default option.



16.3. APPENDIX C - T/HIS Bulk Data File Format

APPENDIX C - T/HIS BULK DATA FILE FORMAT

Format of a T/HIS Bulk Data File.

A bulk data file contains a number of curves that share the same X values.

The format of the file is as follows:

Line 1 : Title
Line 2 : Number of curves (maximum 12)
Line 3 : Format, see [Note 1](#) below
Line 4 : Multipliers on values, see [Note 2](#) below
Line 5 : Axis labels, see [Note 3](#) below
Line 6 : Line labels, see [Note 4](#) below
Line 7 : X, Y1, Y2, Y3 point 1
Line 8 : X, Y1, Y2, Y3 point 2

Line : X, Y1, Y2, Y3 point n
n+6

Up to 500000 points can be read in for each curve.

- Note 1 The format for the point data must be given as a standard Fortran format statement, for example (F10.3, 4F10.2). The external brackets around the format must be included. If the data can be read in as a free format then type **FREE** or leave this line blank. Note however, free data is read in more slowly than formatted data.
- Note 2 The multipliers are the amount by which the values read in are to be multiplied. For example you may wish to correct from ms to s or units of **G** (gravity) to mm/s². On this line give the multipliers in the order X-value, Y1-value, Y2-value, etc. Separate each multiplier by a space or comma. A zero value is assumed to be 1. If all curves are to be read in as defined leave this line blank.
- Note 3 The axis labels are character strings, separated by commas given in the following order. X-axis label, Y1-axis label, Y2-axis label, etc.
- Note 4 The line labels are character strings separated by commas given in the following order. Line label 1, Line label 2, Line label 3, etc.

A comment line may be included any where in the file by starting the line with a \$.



The following shows a bulk data file with three curves and seven points on each curve.

```
$ Comment line
Title of the curves
3
FREE
$ A multiplier of 10 on X values and 5 on Y2 values

10,,5,

x-axis,y1-axis,y2-axis,y3-axis
curve 1,curve 2,curve 3
$ Now for the data
0.0 0.0 1.0 2.0
1.0 1.0 3.0 4.0
2.0 2.0 4.0 5.0
2.4 4.4 5.5 7.4
3.3 7.8 5.8 9.2
4.4 10.0 12.0 13.0
```



16.4. APPENDIX D - Filtering

APPENDIX D - FILTERING

This Appendix describes the filtering options within T/HIS.

Curves can be filtered to remove high frequency noise. The technique is typically applied to acceleration and force traces. Options available include standard filters (Channel Frequency Classes 60, 180, 600 and 1000 as per British Standard BS AU 228: Part 1: 1989, and the USA's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) FIR filter). The standard filters (except the FIR filter) are all special cases of the Butterworth filter.



16.4.1. Curve Regulation

Curve Regulation

All filtering options require the curves to have a constant time increment between points. This will generally be the case if the curves are Ansys LS-DYNA time history results. If not, the REGULARISE option will convert the curve to constant time increment.

Typically the time increment should be at least 10 times the cut-off frequency; 10kHz (a 0.0001 second interval time base) is a good choice for automotive crash applications.

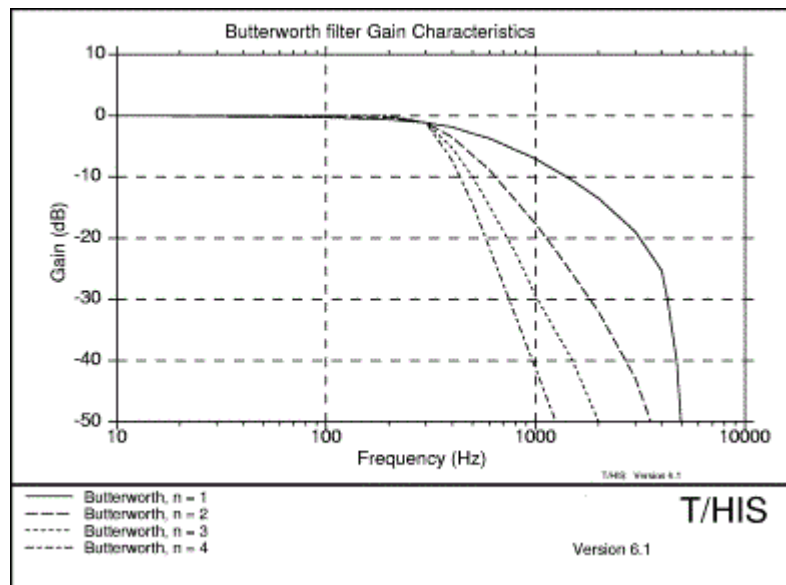
16.4.2. Use of the Butterworth Filter Option

Use of the Butterworth Filter Option

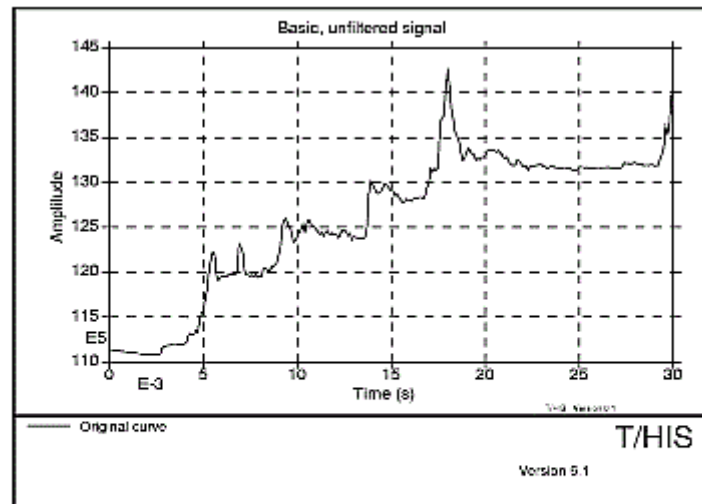
The Butterworth filter is a low pass filter with two input variables; order and cut-off frequency.

The order of the filter controls the roll-off rate, as shown here in the figure (right)

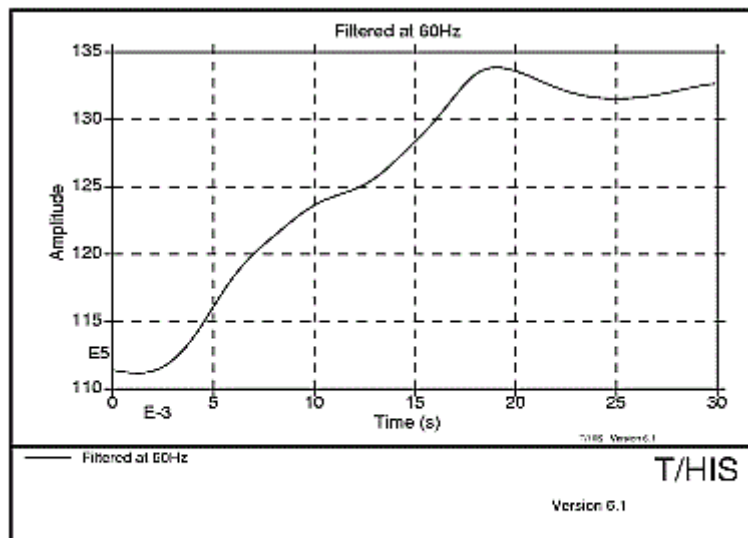
This is a 300Hz filter. It can be seen that higher orders attenuate the results more quickly: they have a higher roll-off rate.



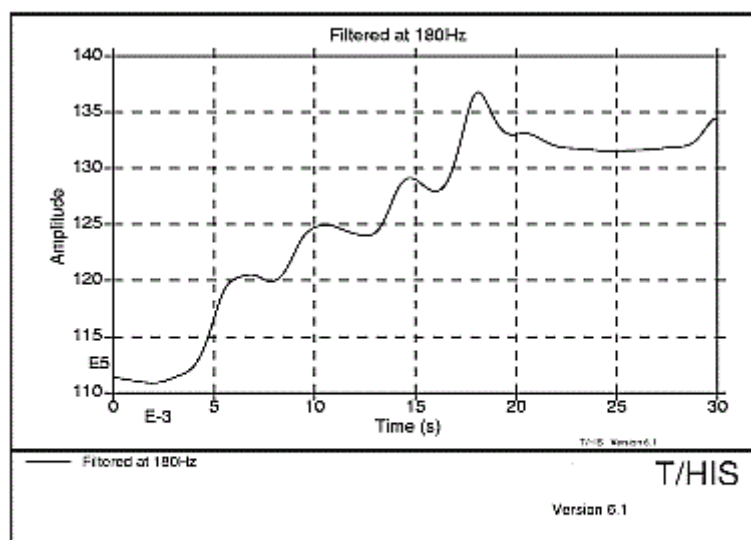
The cut-off frequency is the frequency at which the gain of the filter is -3dB (i.e. the magnitude of signals at this frequency is halved by the filter). The lower the frequency the less noise passes through; but any peaks in the signal tend to get reduced in magnitude and delayed in time.



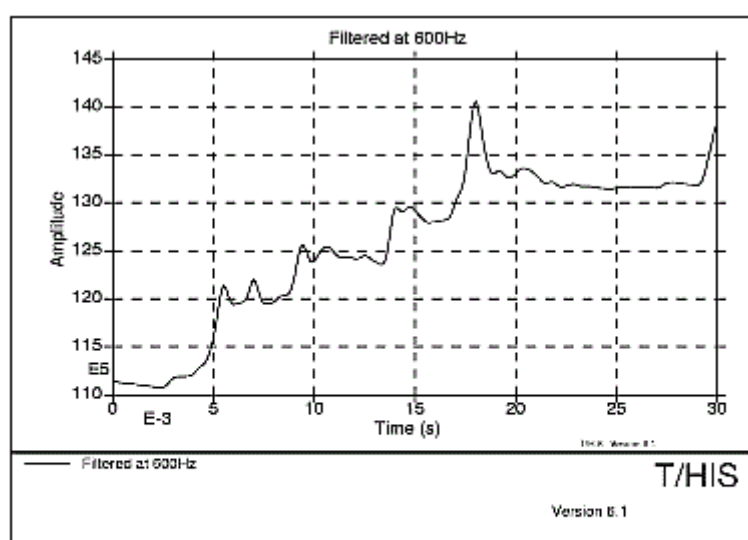
Unfiltered Signal



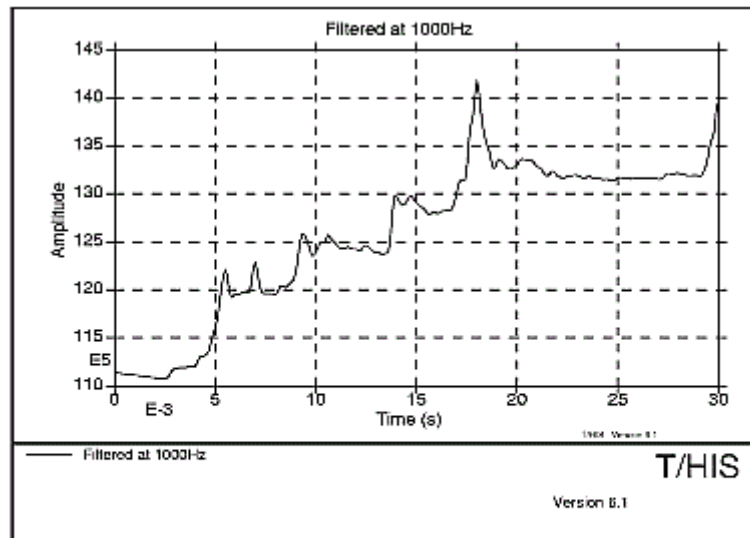
Filtered at 60Hz



Filtered at 180Hz



Filtered at 600Hz



Filtered at 1000Hz

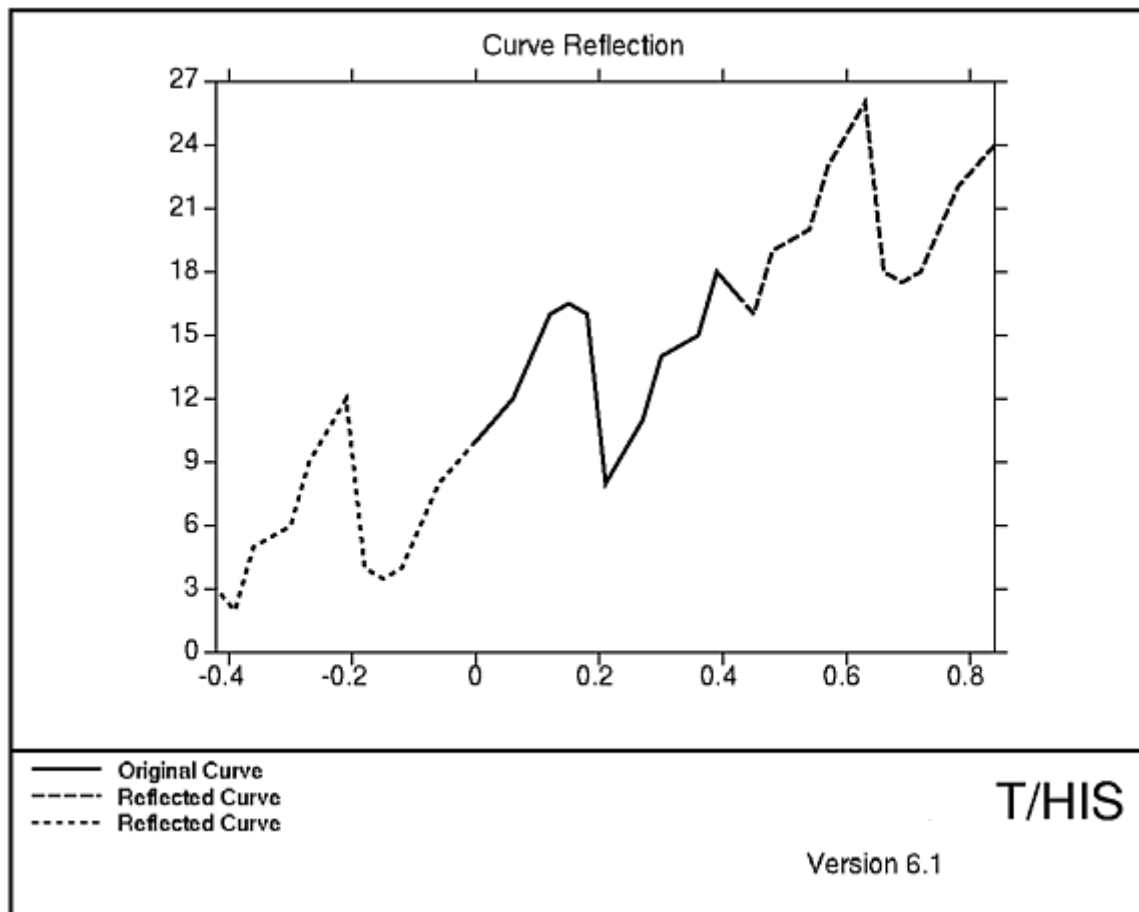
The above figures show examples of filtering frequency using the four standard SAE filters (60, 180, 600 and 1000 Hz cut-off frequencies: see below). These show clearly how the original signal is smoothed.

16.4.3. Butterworth Filter Implementation

Butterworth Filter Implementation

Two refinements have been incorporated:

- Reflection of beginning and end of curves to minimise end-effects of filtering (see the figure below).
- The curve is first passed forwards through the filter, then the resulting signal is passed through backwards. This procedure minimises phase change errors. The poles and zeros of the filter are calculated such that the desired cut-off frequency is achieved after two passes.



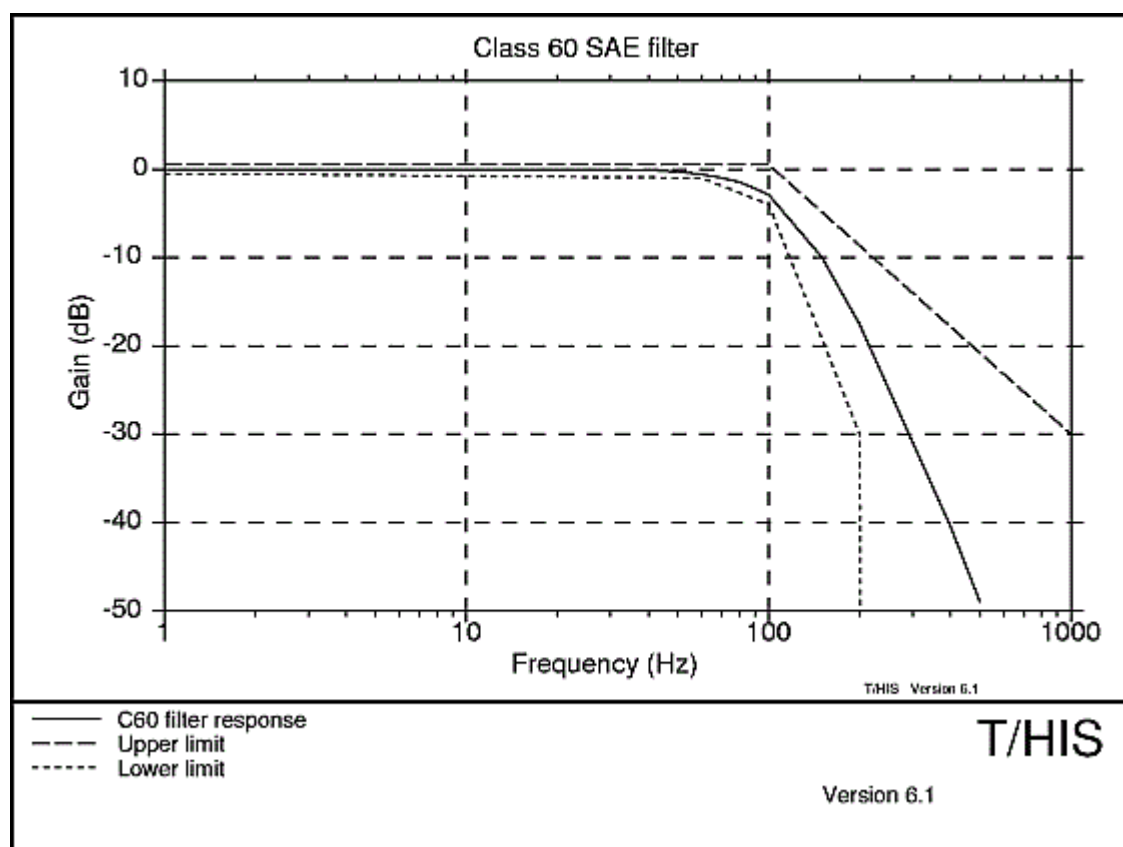
16.4.4. Standard SAE Filter Options

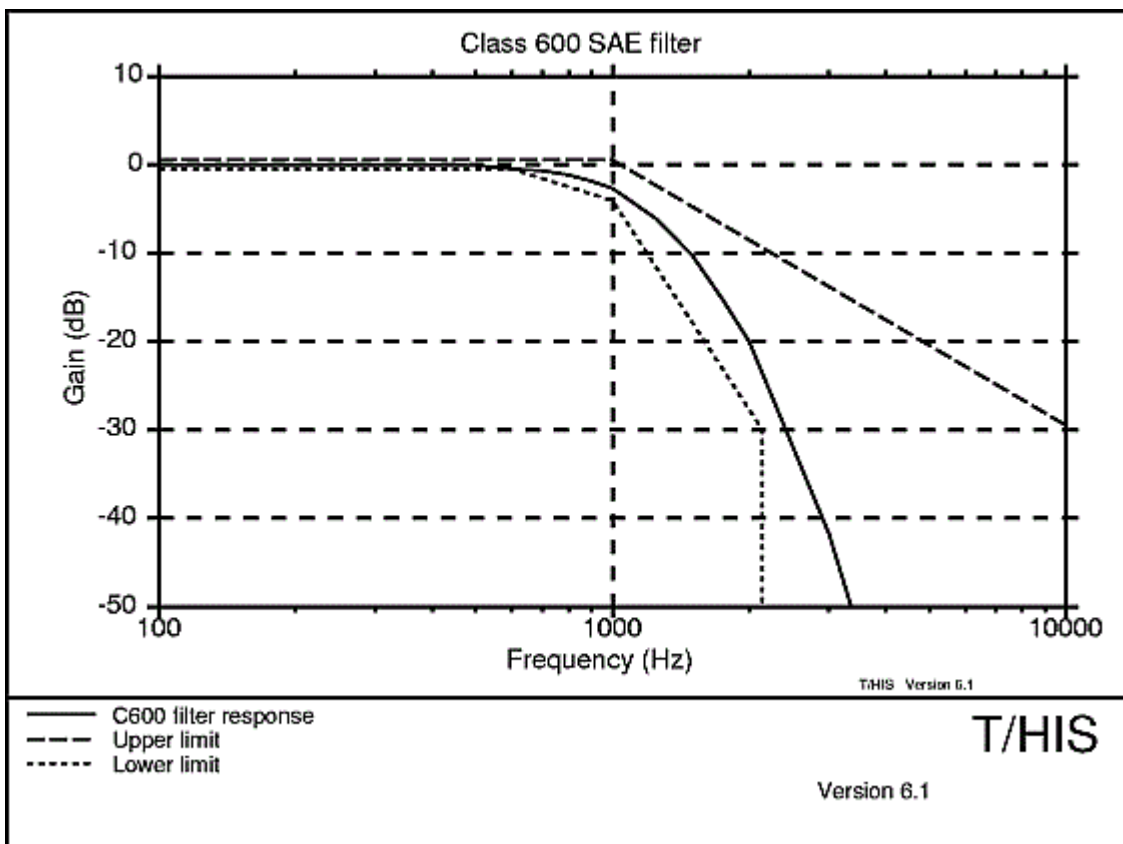
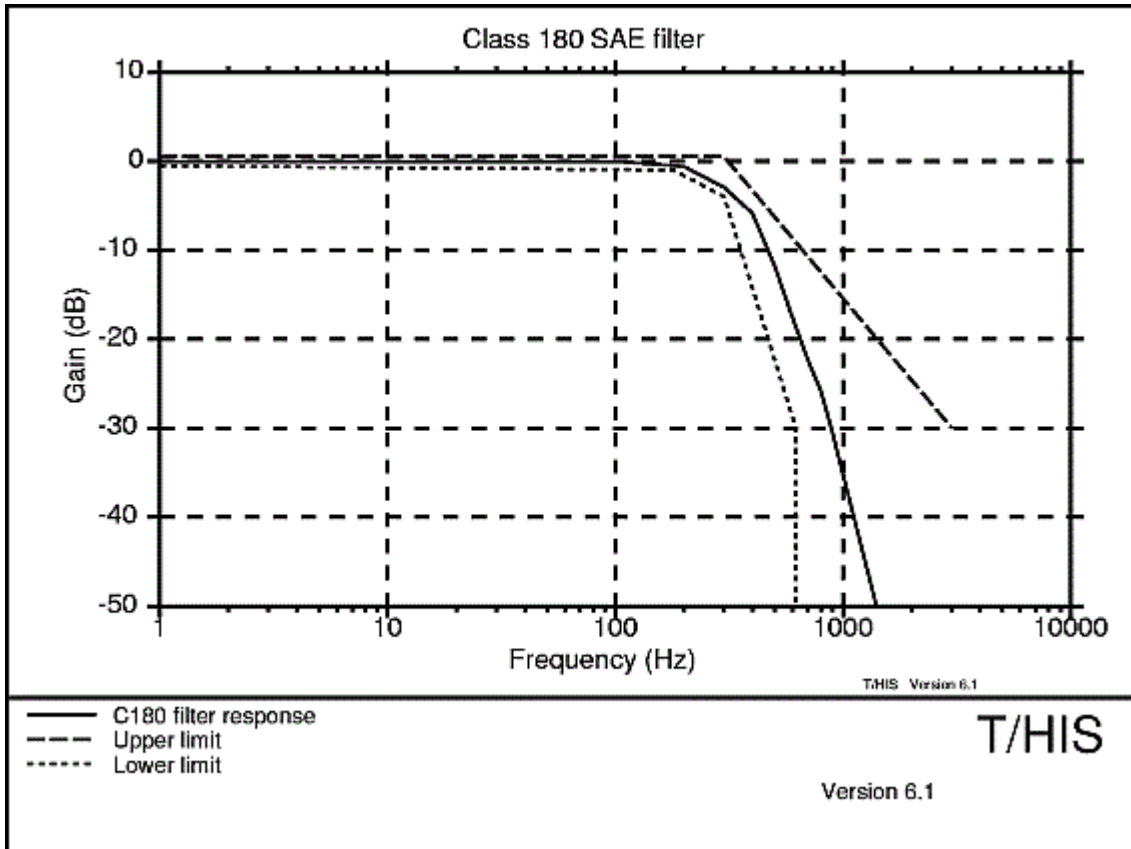
Standard SAE Filter Options

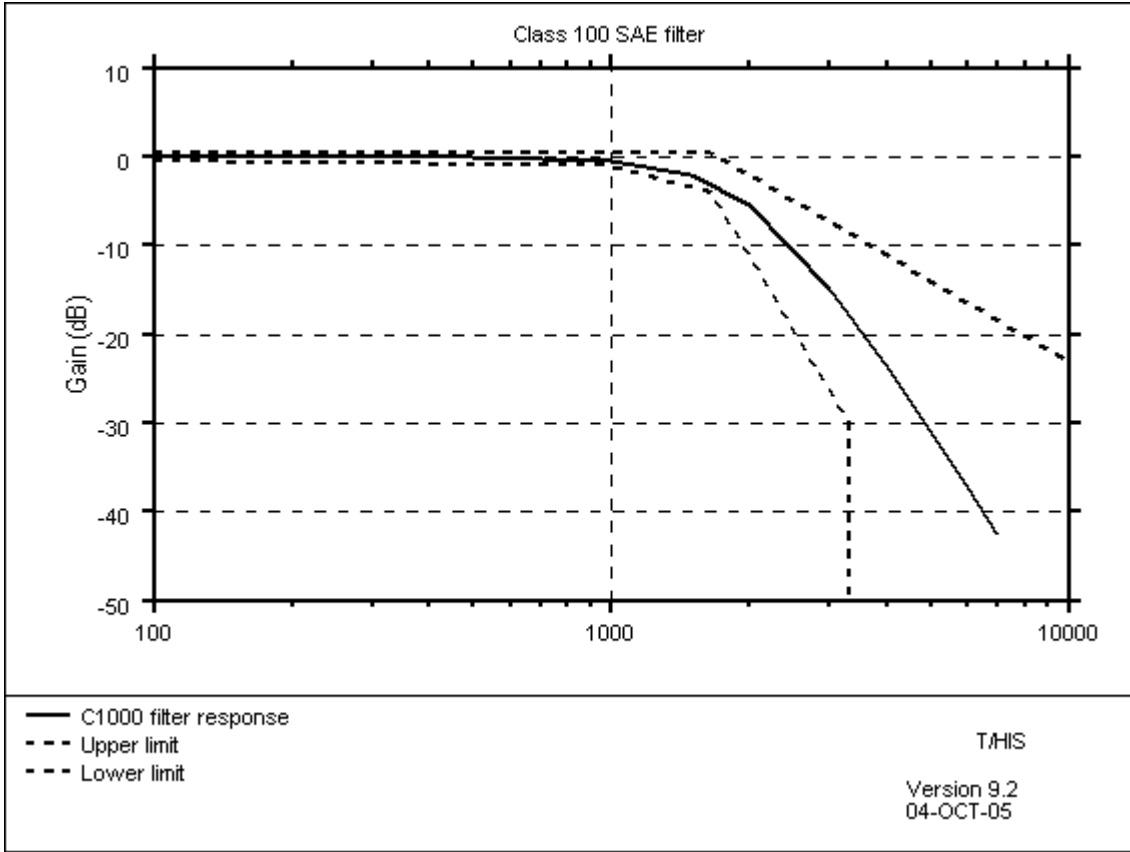
Channel Filter Classes 60, 180, 600 and 1000 are Butterworth filters with the following parameters:

Filter Class	Cut-off Frequency	Order
60	100Hz	2
180	300Hz	2
600	1000Hz	2
1000	1650Hz	2

The gain characteristics are compared with the limits given in BS AU228 in the following four figures:









16.4.5. Standard FIR Filter Option

Standard FIR filter option

The FIR filter (Finite Impulse Response) is specified by NHTSA. It is used for filtering thoracic accelerations from side impact dummies; the filtered accelerations are then used in calculation of TTI (Thoracic Trauma Index). Its characteristics are:

- A passband frequency of 100Hz.
- A stopband frequency of 189Hz.
- A stopband gain of -50dB.
- A passband ripple of 0.0225dB.

It is based on a standard Fortran programme available from NHTSA.

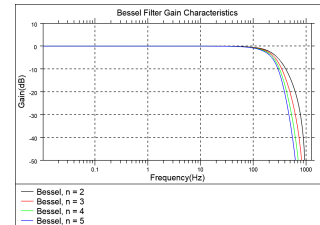


16.4.6. Use of the Bessel Filter Option

Use of the Bessel Filter Option

The Bessel filter is a low pass filter with two input variables; order and cut-off frequency.

The order of the filter controls the roll-off rate, as shown here in the figure (right)



This is a 300Hz filter. It can be seen that higher orders attenuate the results more quickly: they have a higher roll-off rate.

This filter works in similar way to how the Butterworth filter works. The implementation is the same with reflection and passing the curve through the filter forwards and backwards to minimise end-effects and phase change effects.



16.5. APPENDIX E - Injury Criteria

APPENDIX E - INJURY CRITERIA

T/HIS has the option to calculate two of the injury criteria that are used currently in occupant protection. These are the head impact criteria or HIC value and 3ms clip value. These criteria are defined as follows:



16.5.1. HIC Value

HIC Value

The HIC value is calculated from the resultant acceleration time history of the head centre of gravity filtered through a class 1000 filter. The HIC value is then calculated from;

$$\text{HIC} = \left[\frac{1}{(t_2 - t_1)} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} a \, dt \right]^{2.5} (t_2 - t_1)$$

Where a is the acceleration expressed in g , and t_1 and t_2 are any two points in time. It is now usual for an upper limit on the range $t_2 - t_1$ of 36ms to be applied.



16.5.2. 3ms Clip

3ms Clip

The 3ms clip value is the maximum value of acceleration that is exceeded for a period of not less than 3 ms. This is not an easily comprehended definition: the following may be of more use:

- (1) At each time point T , take the interval (T to $T+3\text{ms}$);
- (2) In this interval find the **lowest** acceleration value;
- (3) The "3ms Clip" value is the interval (T to $T+3\text{ms}$) which has the **largest** "lowest" value as calculated in (2) above.

So, perhaps, a better definition might be: "the 3ms interval with the highest lowest acceleration value".



16.5.3. Viscous Criteria

Viscous Criteria

The VC value is calculated from a compression time history using the following formula (the values of the constants A and B assume the compression is in metres);

$$VC = A[V_{(t)}C_{(t)}]$$

where $C_{(t)} = \frac{D_{(t)}}{B}$

$$V_{(t)} = \frac{8[D_{(t+1)} - D_{(t-1)}] - [D_{(t+2)} - D_{(t-2)}]}{12dt} \quad (\text{ECER95 regulations})$$

$$V_{(t)} = \frac{dD}{dt} \quad (\text{IIHS regulations})$$

$$D_{(t)} = \text{Rib Compression}$$

$$A = \text{Constant (1.3 frontal, 1.0 side)}$$

$$B = \text{Constant (0.229 frontal, 0.140 side)}$$



16.5.4. Acceleration Severity Index

Acceleration Severity Index

The ASI value is calculated from 3 acceleration time histories using the following formula;

$$ASI_{(t)} = \left[\left(\frac{ax}{xl} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{ay}{yl} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{az}{zl} \right)^2 \right]^{0.5}$$

are the X,Y,Z accelerations of the vehicle:

- Where : ax, ay, az
- for the 1998 calculation (BS EN 1317-1:1998) they are averaged over a 50ms moving interval.
 - for the 2010 calculation (BS EN 1317-1:2010) they are passed through a four-pole phaseless Butterworth filter with a 13Hz cut-off frequency.

xl, yl, zl are acceleration limits $xl = 12g$ $yl = 9g$ $zl = 10g$.

The acceleration input curves should be in units of g. If the input curves are in any other unit a conversion factor can be input to convert back to g.

When selecting input curves it is assumed that the X curve is numerically the first curve (the one with the lowest id) of the ones selected and the Z curve is the last. If they are in a different order then the acceleration limits can be modified to reflect the different order. For more information on ASI see BS EN 1317-1.

NOTE: For the BS EN 1317-1:2010 calculation T/His assumes the curves have been filtered through a Class 180 filter and padded with +/-0.5seconds of data as per the specification.



16.5.5. Theoretical Head Impact Velocity & Post Impact Head Deceleration

Theoretical Head Impact Velocity & Post Impact Head Deceleration

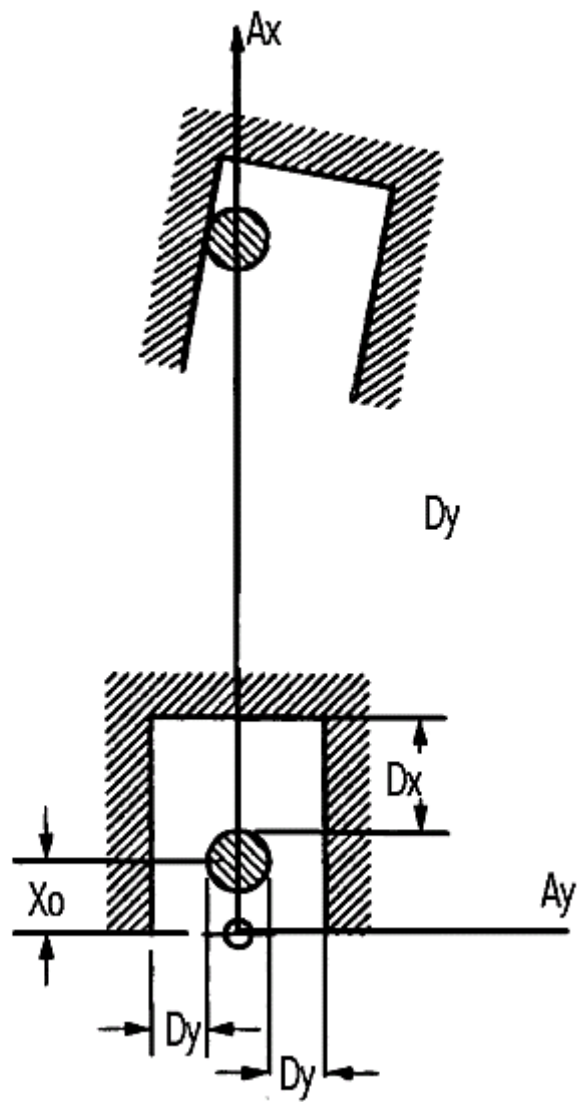
The theoretical head impact velocity concept has been developed for assessing occupant impact severity for vehicles involved in collisions with road vehicle restraint systems. The occupant inside the vehicle is considered to be a freely moving object that, as the vehicle changes its speed due to the contact with the restraint system, continues moving until it strikes the vehicle interior. The velocity magnitude at the time of impact with the vehicle interior is considered to be a measure of the vehicle to vehicle restraint system impact severity.

After impact the head is assumed to continue moving with the vehicle during the rest of the impact event. The post impact head deceleration (PHD) is calculated as the peak value using a 10ms moving average of the resultant vehicle acceleration after the THIV impact.

The THIV calculation requires the following inputs

- Horizontal Vehicle Acceleration Time History (A_x)
- Lateral Vehicle Acceleration Time History (A_y)
- Yaw Rate Time History
- Horizontal Distance from the occupants head to vehicle (D_x)
- Lateral Distance from the occupants head to vehicle (D_y)
- Initial X coordinate relative to CofG (X_0)

The units for these fields should be consistent with the units that the model is in. For example, If the accelerations are in m/s^2 then values for D_x , D_y and X_0 should be in metres. The Yaw Rate Time History curve is expected to be in radians/s



For more information on THIV and PHD see BS EN 1317-1.



16.5.6. Biomechanical neck injury predictor (NIJ)

Biomechanical neck injury predictor (NIJ)

The biomechanical neck injury predictor is a measure of the injury due to the load transferred through the occipital condyles. Its calculation combines the neck axial force and the flexion/extension moment about the occipital condyles.

It is used in association with the USSID dummy for standard American frontal impact tests.

The shear force (Fx), axial force (Fz) and bending moment (My) are measured by the dummy upper neck load cell for the duration of the crash, using force and moment definitions consistent with SAE J221/1. T/HIS will calculate the bending moment using the equation:

$$My = My' - e Fx$$

Where e is the e distance specified in the input window, Fx is the shear force.

Shear force, axial force and bending moment must be filtered using an SAE Channel Frequency Class 600 filter (C600) for the purposes of calculation.

During the collision, the Axial Force (Fz) can be in either tension or compression whilst the occipital condyle bending moment (Mocy) can be in either flexion or extension. This results in 4 possible loading conditions corresponding to the 4 curves output by T/HIS; tension-extension (Nte), tension-flexion (Ntf), compression-extension (Nce), and compression-flexion (Ncf). At each point in time only one of these 4 conditions can be met, hence the NIJ value is calculated for that condition and the value for the other 3 conditions is considered a value of zero..

The expression for calculating each NIJ loading condition is given by:

$$NIJ = (Fz/Fzc) + (Mocy/Myc)$$

where Fz and Mocy are as defined above, Fzc and Myc refer to the axial force and Bending moment critical values, given below:

The values of Fzc and Myc vary depending on the occupant, the occupants position and the sign of **Fz** and **Mocy**

For the dummy to pass the test, the following conditions must be met:

- (i) None of the 4 NIJ values may exceed 1.0 at any time during the event
- (ii) Peak Tension Force (Fz), measured at the upper neck load cell, may not exceed the specific dummy's limit (e.g. 2070N for the Hybrid III small female) at any time



(iii) Peak Compression Force (F_z), measured at the upper neck load cell, may not exceed the specific dummy's limit (e.g. 2520N for the Hybrid III small female) at any time

For more information on the use and calculation of NIJ, refer to the FMVSS 208 document



16.5.7. The Thoracic Trauma Index (TTI)

The Thoracic Trauma Index (TTI)

The Thoracic Trauma Index is used as a predictor of thoracic injury severity in the USSID dummy in standard American Side Impact tests.

The Index considers both rib and thorax acceleration in an impact.

The expression for calculating TTI is given by:

$$\text{TTI} = (\text{G(R)} + \text{G(LS)})/2$$

Where G(R) is the greater of the peak accelerations of either the upper or lower rib, expressed in g, and G(LS) is the peak acceleration in the lower spine (T12), expressed in g.

For the dummy to pass the test, the following conditions must be met:

- (i) The TTI value must not exceed;
 - (a) 85g for a passenger car with 4 side doors, and for any multipurpose vehicle, truck or bus
 - (b) 90g for a passenger car with 2 side doors
- (ii) The peak lateral acceleration of the pelvis shall not exceed 130g
- (iii) Any side door, struck by the moving deformable barrier, shall not separate totally from the car.
- (iv) Any door not struck by the moving deformable barrier must meet the following requirements;
 - (a) The door shall not disengage from the latched position
 - (b) The latch shall not separate from the striker
 - (c) The hinge components shall not separate from each other or from their attachment to the vehicle
 - (d) Neither the latch nor the hinge systems of the door shall pull out of their anchorage

For more information on the use and calculation of TTI, refer to the FMVSS 214 document



16.5.8. Occupant Load Criterion (OLC)

The calculation follows the method specified in the Euro NCAP Technical Bulletin (TB027) v1.1.1, which is intended for use with the Adult Occupant Protection Assessment Protocol v9.1.1. According to the TB 027, the Measured X-Acceleration of the Barrier COG of MPDB must be filtered using CFC 180.

Firstly, the acceleration curve is filtered using the trapezoidal rule to derive the velocity course of the barrier and V_0 which is the initial velocity is added to the integrated curve.

$$V_t = \int A_X(t) dt + V_0$$

The end time t_1 is the end of free flight phase of the virtual dummy of the barrier along a displacement of 0.065 m. This is calculated by using the equation:

$$\int_{t=0}^{t=t_1} V_0 dt - \int_{t=0}^{t=t_1} V(t) dt = 0.065$$

Here, the displacement of the virtual occupant in its free flight phase is $V_0 t$ and the displacement of the Barrier model is calculated by integrating the velocity curve. The difference of the two displacements should be equal to 0.065 m.

The end time t_2 , corresponds to the ideal restraint phase, which is determined by solving the equation:

$$\int_{t=t_1}^{t=t_2} (V_0 - OLC_{SI-unit} \times (t - t_1)) dt - \int_{t=t_1}^{t=t_2} V(t) dt = 0.235$$

The area under the velocity curve of the barrier is calculated by subtracting the displacement u_t of the barrier model at point t from the displacement u_{t1} at point t_1 :

$$\text{Area of Velocity Curve } (t_1 \text{ to } t) = (u_{t1} - u_t)$$

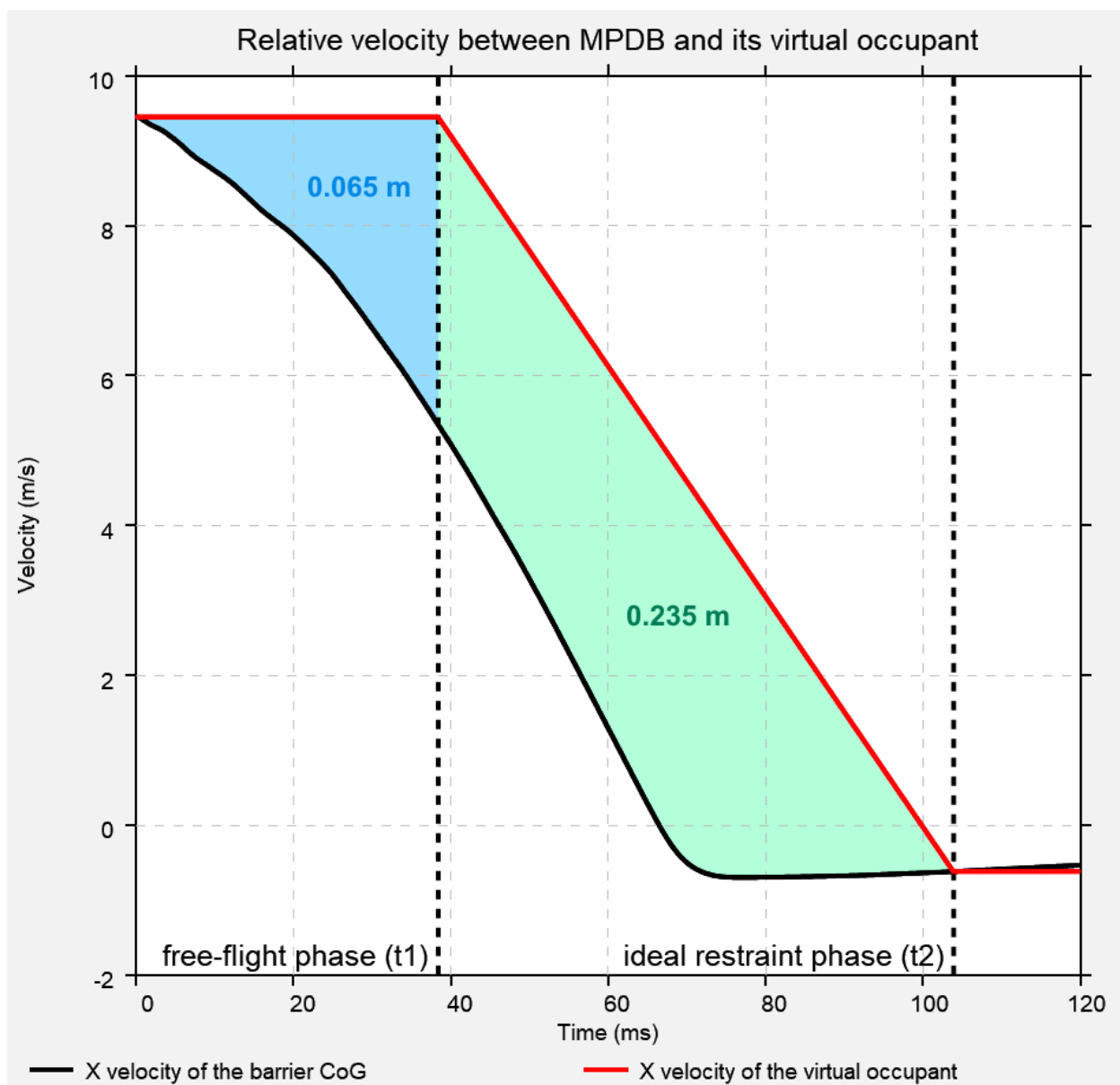
The area under the virtual occupant curve is calculated by determining the area of the trapezoid from point t_1 to t :

$$\text{Area of Velocity of Virtual Occupant } (t_1 \text{ to } t) = (0.5 \times (V_{t1} + V_t) \times (t - t_1))$$

The difference between these two areas should be 0.0235 m, which allows us to calculate the t_2 value.

The OLC Value is finally calculated by using the following equation:

$$\int_{t=t_1}^{t=t_2} (V_0 - OLC_{SI-unit} \times (t - t_1)) dt - \int_{t=t_1}^{t=t_2} V(t) dt = 0.235$$





16.5.9. Tibia Index (TI)

Tibia Index (TI) is commonly used to predict lower leg injury. T/HIS calculates the Tibia Index based on the following interaction formula specified in [Euro NCAP Technical Bulletin \(TB021\) v4.1](#).

$$TI(t) = \left| \frac{M_R(t)}{(M_R)_C} \right| + \left| \frac{F_z(t)}{(F_z)_C} \right|$$

with:

$$M_R(t) = \sqrt{M_x(t)^2 + M_y(t)^2}$$

where:

$\backslash(M_R(t)\backslash)$ = Filtered resultant Tibia Moment

$\backslash(M_x(t)\backslash)$ = Filtered lateral Tibia Moment

$\backslash(M_y(t)\backslash)$ = Filtered Fore Tibia Moment

$\backslash(F_z(t)\backslash)$ = Filtered Axial Tibia Force

$\backslash((M_R)_C\backslash)$ = Moment critical value

$\backslash((F_z)_C\backslash)$ = Force critical value

According to [Euro NCAP Technical Bulletin \(TB021\) v4.1](#), the Axial and Moment curves must be filtered using CFC 600 filter. If you provide unfiltered input curves, you can use the auto-filtering option available in the [Tibia Index menu](#). When auto-filtering is turned ON, T/HIS will first filter the input curves using the selected filter class and then perform the Tibia Index calculation with the filtered curves.

The TI critical values for different standard types of Occupants are:

Occupant type	$\backslash((M_R)_C\backslash)$ [Nm]	$\backslash((F_z)_C\backslash)$ [kN]
HIII-95M	307	44.2
HIII-50M	225	35.9
HIII-05F	115	22.9
THOR	225	35.9



16.5.10. DAMAGE Criterion (DMG)

The DAMAGE value is determined by creating a second-order system that mimics the behavior of a physical mass-spring-damper setup. This model is used to capture the maximum strain experienced by the brain when the head rotates around each axis.

The equation of motion for this damped, three-degree-of-freedom mechanical system, which is influenced by external forces acting on the masses, can be represented in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\Delta}_x \\ \ddot{\Delta}_y \\ \ddot{\Delta}_z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c_{xx} + c_{xy} + c_{xz} & -c_{xy} & -c_{xz} \\ -c_{xy} & c_{xy} + c_{yy} + c_{yz} & -c_{yz} \\ -c_{xz} & -c_{yz} & c_{xz} + c_{yz} + c_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\Delta}_x \\ \dot{\Delta}_y \\ \dot{\Delta}_z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_{xx} + k_{xy} + k_{xz} & -k_{xy} & -k_{xz} \\ -k_{xy} & k_{xy} + k_{yy} + k_{yz} & -k_{yz} \\ -k_{xz} & -k_{yz} & k_{xz} + k_{yz} + k_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_x \\ \Delta_y \\ \Delta_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{u}_x \\ \ddot{u}_y \\ \ddot{u}_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \text{mass}, \quad c_{ij} = \text{damping coefficient}, \quad k_{ij} = \text{stiffness coefficient} \\ \Delta, \dot{\Delta}, \ddot{\Delta} &= \text{displacement, velocity, acceleration} \\ \ddot{u} &= \text{applied angular acceleration} \\ m_x &= 1 \text{ kg}, \quad m_y = 1 \text{ kg}, \quad m_z = 1 \text{ kg} \\ k_{xx} &= 32142 \text{ N/m}, \quad k_{yy} = 23493 \text{ N/m}, \quad k_{zz} = 16935 \text{ N/m} \\ k_{xy} &= 0 \text{ N/m}, \quad k_{yz} = 0 \text{ N/m}, \quad k_{xz} = 1636.3 \text{ N/m} \\ a_1 &= 5.9148 \text{ ms} \\ [c] &= a_1 \times [k] \end{aligned}$$

The solution to this equation, $\vec{\Delta}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_x(t) \\ \Delta_y(t) \\ \Delta_z(t) \end{bmatrix}^T$, is a vector containing the displacement time (t) histories of the three coupled masses. These displacements are assumed to be analogous to some measure of brain deformation under rotational motion about each axis of the head. The maximum magnitude of the system displacement is then fitted to the maximum brain strain (MPS), and is referred to as the **DAMAGE** metric.[\[E1\]](#)

$$\text{DAMAGE} = \beta \max_t |\vec{\Delta}(t)| \quad \text{where } \beta = 2.9903 \text{ m}^{-1}, \quad (\text{scale factor})$$



The scale factor relates the maximum resultant displacement of the system to the MPS value from the FE brain model.

The equations of motion can be solved using various numerical methods, each with its advantages and specific applications. The calculation methods used by T/HIS are:

1. Runge-Kutta 4th Order (RK4)
2. Runge-Kutta Fehlberg (RKF45)
3. Newmark Beta method

References

[E1] Lee F. Gabler, Jeff R. Crandall, and Matthew B. Panzer. Development of a Second-Order System for Rapid Estimation of Maximum Brain Strain



16.6. APPENDIX F - Curve Correlation

APPENDIX F – Curve Correlation

T/HIS provides a number of ways to determine a measure for the degree to which two curves match i.e. correlation. Typically one curve is a reference curve that might come from physical testing, the other is the comparison curve that may be the result of a simulation of the scenario that generated the reference curve.

The following sections describe each of the tools and functions available in T/HIS:

- [CORA](#) An implementation of the methodology used by the Partnership for Dummy Technology and Biomechanics ([PDB](#)) software [CORA](#) (**C**ORrelation and **A**nalysis) [\[F1\]](#), [\[F2\]](#)
- [ISO 18571](#) An implementation of the calculations described in ISO 18571 [\[F3\]](#)
- [MADM](#) An implementation of the Minimum Area Discrepancy Method (MADM) [\[F4\]](#), [\[F5\]](#)
- [COR1 and COR2](#) The T/HIS correlation functions COR1 and COR2
- [COR3](#) The T/HIS correlation function COR3
- [WIF](#) The T/HIS correlation function that implements the weighted integrated factor method

CORA implementation

T/HIS implements the part of the PDB CORA method in which four measures of correlation are calculated and combined to give a total signal rating. One of these measures is made by examining how the curve fits within a defined corridor around the reference curve. The result is the **corridor metric**, with a value between zero and one. The remaining three measures are determined from properties related to a phase shift applied to the reference curve in order to achieve maximum cross-correlation. These three measures are each given a weighting and summed to give a **cross-correlation metric**, with a value between zero and one. The total signal rating is then determined from the weighted sum of the corridor and cross-correlation metrics.

Pre-requisites

- In order to achieve a meaningful correlation rating, the input curves should have a minimal amount of noise. This can be achieved using the filtering capabilities of T/HIS. It is assumed that any signal filtering required has been carried out prior to the use of CORA
- The curves should have x-values that increase monotonically
- The T/HIS CORA tool currently assumes the curves for analysis are available for selection within T/HIS



User interface

The T/HIS implementation of CORA is powered by JavaScript and can be accessed via [Tools](#) → [Automotive](#) → [CORA](#). The options and parameters that are available for selection and modification are described in the hover text that appears when your mouse is positioned over the item of interest.

Rating analysis configuration

Method

Rating method: CORAplus 4.0.4 ? ☒ Use CORA defaults

Signal

test(s):

simulation:

y_norm:

i_type:

t_step:

step_factor:

T_INTERP: ☒

step_type:

Evaluation interval

tmin:

tmax:

a_thres:

b_thres:

a_eval:

b_delta_end:

Corridor

a_0:

b_0:

a_1:

b_1:

a_s:

b_s:

k_c:

S_TYPE:

w_z:

Cross correlation

int_min:

k_v:

d_min:

d_max:

k_p:

k_g:

g_v:

g_g:

g_p:

Signal rating weighting

g_1:

g_2:

Output

☒ Output calculation curves
☒ Plot corridor graph
☒ Plot cross correlation graph

☒ Add scores to graph title
☒ Add scores to legend
☒ Add method to legend

Case title:

☐ File output
☒ Append



The features of the CORA menu control the correlation assessment as follows:

Feature	Description
Rating method	Allows the choice of CORAplus 4.0.4, ISO 18571:2014 or ISO 18571:2024.
Defaults	The default values as specified in [F1] (or [F3] for the ISO 18571 rating method)
Output calculation curves	Curves illustrating the details of the correlation calculation are created if this option is selected
Plot correlation graphs	Graph objects with respective curves for Corridor and Cross Correlation ratings. Scores and method can be automatically added to graph title or legend.
File output	A record of the calculation input and results is produced if this option is selected. The full path to the output file is required and a file dialogue can be used to select the location by using the Save as button. If you wish to record multiple correlation analyses in the same file, the Append option should be selected otherwise the output file will be overwritten.
Signal	Parameters and options related to the input signals and how they are pre-processed prior to the correlation rating being calculated
Evaluation interval	The parameters in this section allow you to specify the most relevant region of the signals for correlation analysis
Corridor	Parameters used in the calculation of the corridor metric
Cross correlation	Parameters used in the calculation of the cross-correlation metric
Signal rating weighting	The weighting factors applied to the corridor and cross-correlation metrics to obtain the overall signal rating
Save configuration	Save the current input configuration to a file (in json format) for retrieval using the Load configuration option.
Load configuration	To recreate a previous configuration a configuration file (in json format) can be loaded. The configuration file can be generated by using the Save configuration option.

Rating Methods



Three rating methods are available, described in the following sections:

1. [CORApplus 4.0.4](#)
2. [ISO/TS 18571:2014](#)
3. [ISO/TS 18571:2024](#)

CORApplus 4.0.4

The T/HIS CORA tool was benchmarked against the [PDB CORA software](#) CORApplus 4.0.4. The benchmarks indicated that the results will not always be consistent, because of differences in the cross correlation shifted and truncated curve used to perform the rating. In March 2022, [PDB](#) acknowledged some issues with its implementation, and intends to make corrections once ISO 18571 is next updated.

ISO/TS 18571:2014

The rating methods described in ISO/TS 18571:2014 [\[F3\]](#) have been implemented in T/HIS and are available by selecting the ISO/TS 18571:2014 rating method. This method in the T/HIS tool was also benchmarked against [PDB CORA software](#) CORApplus 4.0.4. The benchmarks indicated that the results will not always be consistent, because of differences in the dynamic time warping algorithms used. In March 2022, [PDB](#) acknowledged these differences, which relate to issues in ISO 18571 itself.

ISO/TS 18571:2024

The new ISO/TS 18571:2024 method is based on the latest ISO/TS 18571:2024 standard [\[F6\]](#) and supersedes the previously existing "ISO 18571 Euro NCAP v1.0" rating method in T/HIS. The ISO/TS 18571:2024 method is largely based on the existing ISO/TS 18571:2014 revision, with the following differences:

1. Dynamic Time Warping Constraint

In the Phase score calculation, the Dynamic Time Warping (DTW) algorithm is implemented with a Sakoe-Chiba window constraint with relative window size 0.1, as opposed to the unconstrained DTW algorithm described in the 2014 revision.

Additionally, a descent priority is enforced in the DTW algorithm warp path. When choosing the next step, if no clear minimum cost path is available—meaning that the options are equivalent or indistinguishable in terms of cost—the algorithm enforces a priority order for selecting the direction:

1. Move **downward** (to the cell directly below).
2. Move **leftward** (to the cell directly to the left).
3. Move **diagonally down-left** (to the cell diagonally below and to the left).

This priority ensures a consistent approach to path selection even in cases where the cost differences between potential paths are negligible.



2. Alternative Slope Method

In the Slope score calculation, an alternative slope method is used. In the 2014 revision, the gradient is calculated by dividing the signal into intervals (10 data points in length) and computing the average slope within each interval.

In the 2024 revision, the gradient of the original 10 kHz signal is computed using:

- forward difference for the first point (1st order accurate)
- backward difference for the last point (1st order accurate)
- central difference for all the other points (2nd order accurate)

such that the gradient curve is the same size as the input curve. The algorithm then applies a smoothing function to the gradient curve. For each point on the curve, the smoothing function takes the average of the point and the four neighbouring points on either side (reducing to zero points either side as one approaches the ends of the curve).

CORA scripting interface

A CORA or ISO 18571 assessment can be automated by importing the CORA module into your own T/HIS JavaScript. For instructions and a worked example, follow the CORA and ISO-18571 tutorial ([Help](#) → [Tutorials](#) → [CORA and ISO-18571](#)).

MADM Correlation tool

The MADM Correlation Tool in T/HIS is powered by JavaScript. The Minimum Area Discrepancy Method (MADM) is ideal for correlation between Ansys LS-DYNA simulations and physical tests when force versus deflection is the relationship of interest, and offers benefits over other correlation methods that focus on parameters versus time. The tool can be accessed by selecting [Tools](#) → [Automotive](#) → [MADM](#).

Three input methods are available for providing average, lower, and upper curves for the MADM rating calculation:

1. [Specify average/lower/upper curves](#)
 - The user can directly specify average, lower, and upper curves.
 - These can be provided in the form of a CSV file, or by picking/selecting from T/HIS curves.
2. [Generate offset from average curve](#)
 - An average curve can be provided, and a corridor of uniform width generated around it. This width can be adjusted. Once a corridor is generated, it can be provided as the lower and upper curves.
 - The average curve can be provided in the form of a CSV file, or by picking/selecting from T/HIS curves.
3. [Generate average + corridor from dataset](#)



- From provided force-time and deflection-time datasets (which should each consist of more than one curve), a mean average curve can be generated. A corridor can then be generated which varies in width (the variation depends on each point's standard deviation). The width can be controlled via the number of standard deviations used in the calculation. These curves can then be provided as the average, lower, and upper curves.
- The datasets can be provided in the form of multiple separate CSV files, or by selecting multiple T/HIS curves. Note that the dataset should have a uniform number of points, with regular time intervals throughout.

Note that all data provided should have the deflection along the x-axis, and the force along the y-axis. In addition, a corridor cannot be generated from data which self-intersects – in this case, the corridor should be generated separately by the user. Finally, a corridor cannot be generated from data with non-adjacent duplicate points.

Previously generated curves are deleted when the curves are re-generated, or when the input method is changed.

A MADM assessment can be automated by importing the MADM module into your own T/HIS JavaScript. For instructions and a worked example, follow the MADM tutorial ([Help](#) → [Tutorials](#) → [MADM Worked Example](#)).

For information on the Minimum Area Discrepancy Method itself, further help and references can be found in the tool menu:

MADM input configuration can be saved or loaded via the **Save configuration** and **Load configuration** buttons. The configuration is saved as a JSON file. The following table documents the configuration file properties:

Property	Description	Required?	Valid format
method	Method used for input curve generation. Will change what inputs are required.	Required for all methods.	'Can be "specifyCurves", "generateOffset", or "generateAverage".
curve_inputs.avg	Input average curve.	Required for methods "specifyCurves" and "generateOffset".	File path to a .cur or .csv file, or a valid curve ID.
curve_inputs.lower	Input lower curve.	Required for method "specifyCurves".	File path to a .cur or .csv file, or a valid curve ID.



curve_inputs.upper	Input upper curve.	Required for method "specifyCurves".	File path to a .cur or .csv file, or a valid curve ID.
curve_inputs.sim	Input simulation curve.	Required for all methods.	File path to a .cur or .csv file, or a valid curve ID.
curve_inputs.dt	Input deflection-time curves.	Required for method "generateAverage".	File path to a .cur or .csv files containing multiple curves, or an array of valid curve IDs.
curve_inputs.ft	Input force-time curves	Required for method "generateAverage".	File path to a .cur or .csv files containing multiple curves, or an array of valid curve IDs.
n	Input n value. Required for all methods. Defaults to 1.	Required for all methods.	A number or string of a number. Recommended to be between 0.5 and 3.
m	Input m value. Required for all methods. Defaults to 2.	Required for all methods.	A number or string of a number. Recommended to be between 1 and 2.
offset	Offset value of generated corridor.	Required for method "generateOffset".	A number or string of a number. Must be a real postive number.
half_width	Number of standard deviations of generated corridor half-width.	Required for method "generateAverage".	A number or string of a number. Must be a real postive number.
output_curves	File path that an output curve file will be written to.	Optional	File path to a .cur/.csv file.
output_image	File path that an output graph image will be written to.	Optional	File path to a .png file.
output_json	File path that an output results .json file will be written to.	Optional	File path to a .json file.



The MADM Correlation Tool was developed in collaboration with the University of Coventry [\[F4\]](#), [\[F5\]](#).

COR1 and COR2

The Correlation functions COR1 and COR2 provide a measure of the degree to which two curves match. When comparing curves by eye, the quality of correlation may be judged on the basis of how well matched are the patterns of peaks, the overall shapes of the curves, etc, and can allow for differences of timing as well as magnitude. Thus a simple function based on the difference of Y-values (such as T/HIS ERR function) does not measure correlation in the same way as the human eye. The T/HIS correlation function attempts to include and quantify the more subtle ways in which the correlation of two curves may be judged.

The correlation function may be applied to any two curves whose x-values increase monotonically (e.g. responses versus time). The results are independent of the units used, e.g. milliseconds or seconds are both acceptable. The sign of the y-values is not important.

Only the overlap time period is considered (i.e. the range of x-values for which both curves have a y-value). The time period (range of X-values) and maximum absolute Y-value are used to non-dimensionalise the curves such that x-values run from 0 to 1, and the maximum absolute y-value is 1.

Five measures of correlation are calculated. Each is given equal weighting. The final correlation score is given as a percentage - two identical curves would score 100%.

The first two measures require identification of peaks in the curves. An unlimited number of peaks in each curve will be considered. A peak is defined as a local maximum (or in the case of negative y-values a minimum), satisfying the following criteria:

- Absolute y-value at least 0.5
- Separated from any larger peak by a trough (local minimum) at least 0.2 deep.

Peaks of positive or negative signs are considered. Peaks are matched only against peaks of the same sign in the other curve.

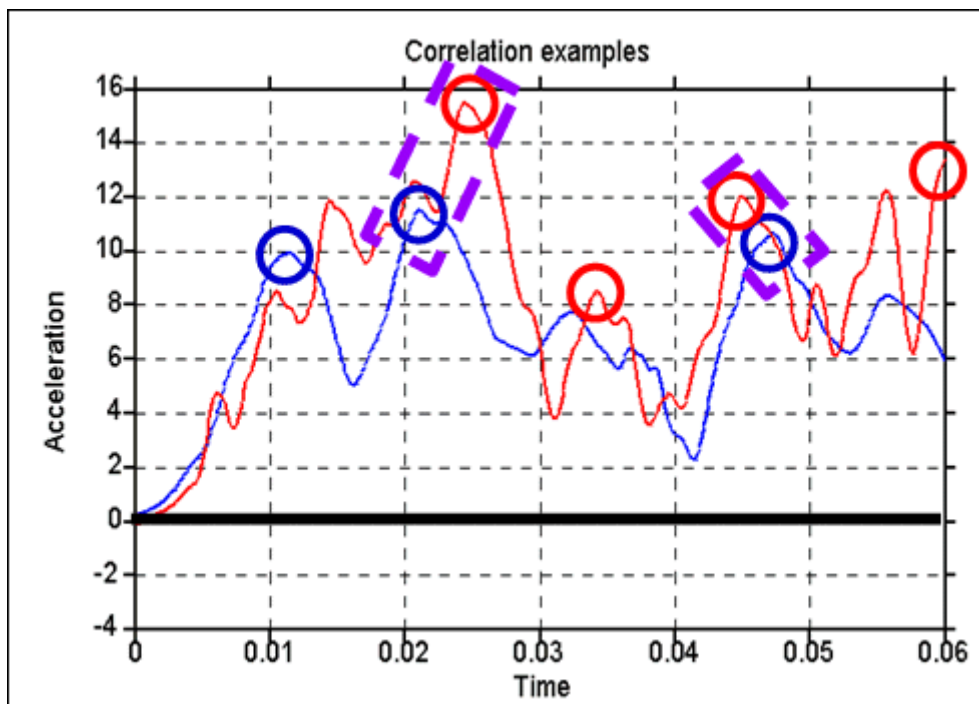
Measure 1 – Peak values

For each identified peak in Curve A, find the maximum value in Curve B within the same time range for which the value in Curve A is within a tolerance of the peak value. Points are lost according to the error in y-values compared to a tolerance limit. Repeat for peaks in curve B against values in Curve A.

This measure allows for the situation where curves are similar but the peaks are more strongly delineated in one of the curves, such that the program does not recognise the other curve as having a peak in that location.

Measure 2 – Peak matching

For each identified peak in Curve A, find the closest identified peak in Curve B. Points are lost according to the largest error (timing or y-value) compared to tolerance limits; points are also lost if there is no corresponding peak in Curve B. Repeat for Curve A peaks matched against those of Curve B.



This measure picks up matching of primary and secondary peaks in the curves, which may correspond to physical events.

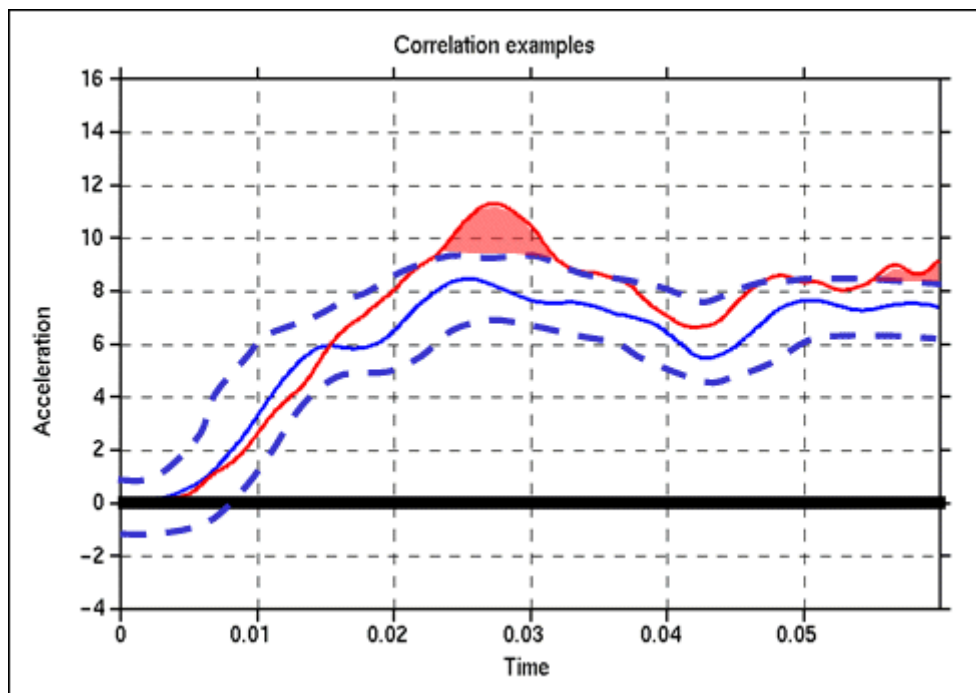
Measure 3 – Area matching



The integral of each curve is calculated by summing the area of the curve above $y=0$ and the absolute area of the curve below $y=0$. Points are lost according to the difference compared to a tolerance limit.

Measure 4 – Curve shape (low frequency excursion)

The curves are filtered. A band is drawn around filtered curve A (using positive and negative offsets in x and y). The area of excursions of filtered Curve B outside the band is calculated. Points are lost according to the excursion area compared to a tolerance limit. The process is repeated for filtered Curve A excursions from a band drawn around filtered curve B.



Measure 5 – Curve shape (full curve)

The same as Measure 4 except that the curves are not filtered and different tolerance limits and band sizes may be used.

Output



T/HIS prints the overall correlation percentage and the marks from each measure to the screen or to a text file. A new curve is created from each input curve showing the identified peaks (used in measures 1 and 2). As the same curve could be used as input to multiple correlations the correlation percentage is stored internally in T/HIS with the 2 output curves NOT the input curves.

The correlation percentage can be accessed from within FAST-TCF scripts by requesting the "correlate" property for either of the 2 output curves.

```
e.g. operation      curve_1      tag curve_3 curve_4
      correlate strict curve_2
```

Calculate correlation between "curve_1" and "curve_2". Tag the curves containing the peaks as "curve_3" and "curve_4"

```
tab output.txt      curve_3      correlate
```

Output the curve correlation value from "curve_3" to the file "output.txt"

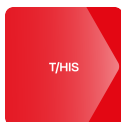
```
taba output.txt      curve_4      correlate
```

Append the curve correlation value from "curve_4" to the file "output.txt"

Selection of Parameters

The Correlation algorithm has many tolerance limits and other inputs. Two sets of these parameters have been pre-selected, to offer strict or less strict judgement of correlation (buttons COR1 and COR2 in the Automotive menu). The parameters selected are:

Criterion	Description	COR1 Value	COR2 Value
Peak matching	Fraction difference in timing that scores zero points for this peak	0.2	0.4
Peak matching and peak values	Fraction difference in value that scores zero points for this peak	0.25	0.5
Area matching	Fraction difference in integral that	0.3	0.5

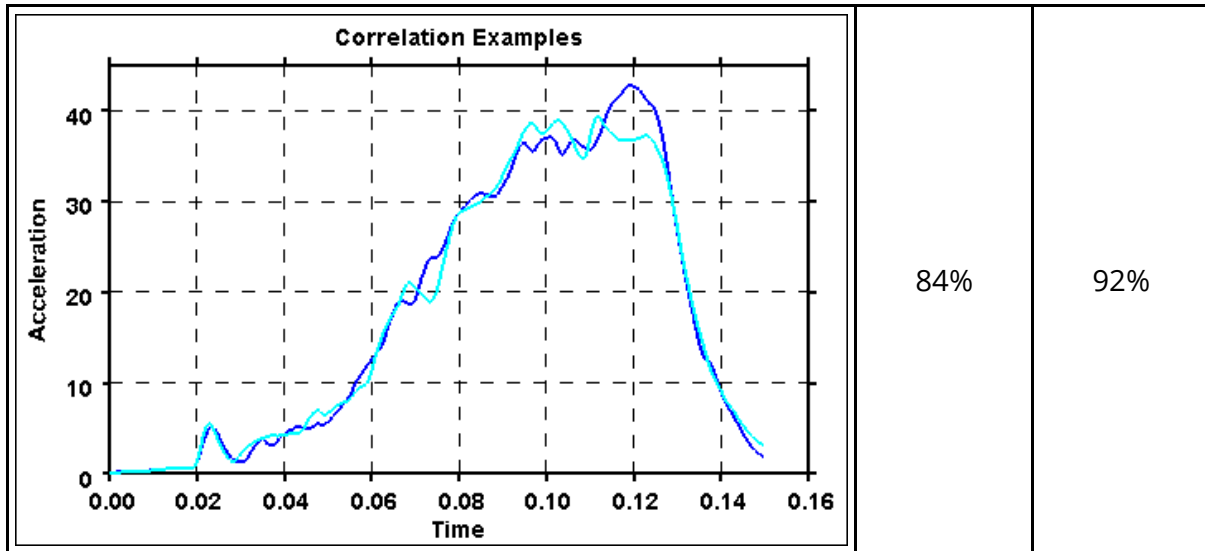


	scores zero points		
Curve shape (low frequency trend)	Size of tolerance band in X and Y, as fractions of the curve extent in X and Y	0.025	0.05
Curve shape (low frequency trend)	Excursion area fraction scoring zero points	0.1	0.2
Curve shape (full curve)	Size of tolerance band in X and Y, as fractions of the curve extent in X and Y	0.025	0.05
Curve shape (full curve)	Excursion area fraction scoring zero points	0.2	0.4

It is expected that, if COR1 rates Curves A and B as better correlated than C and D, then COR2 would also rate the pairs of curves in the same order. The percentage correlation would be greater in each case from COR2 than from COR1. COR1 will provide a greater difference (discrimination) between well-correlated and very well-correlated pairs of curves; while COR2 will provide greater discrimination between averagely-correlated and poorly-correlated pairs of curves. The purpose of offering both versions of the correlation function is to allow the user to select a calibration of the function appropriate to the typical input curves used.

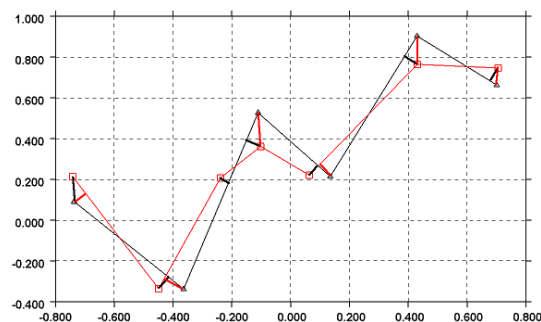
Examples	COR1	COR2

Correlation examples	17%	42%
Correlation examples	27%	62%
Correlation Examples	70%	88%



COR3

The Correlation function COR3 provides another measure of the degree to which two curves match based on the distance between the two curves.



This function first normalises the curves using two factors, specified either by the user or defaults calculated by the program (the maximum absolute X and Y values of both graphs).

For each point on the first normalised curve, the shortest distance to the second normalised curve is calculated (the thick black lines on the image above). The root mean square value of all these distances is subtracted from 1 and then multiplied by 100 to get an index between 0 and 100.

The process is repeated along the second curve (the thick red lines show the distances) and the two indices are averaged to get a final index. The higher the index the closer the correlation between the two curves.

Note that the choice of normalising factors is important. Incorrect factors may lead to a correlation index outside the range of 0 to 100.



WIF

The Correlation function WIF provides another measure of the degree to which two curves match. It uses the Weighted Integrated Factor method:

$$crit = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{\sum \max(f[n]^2, g[n]^2) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\max(0, f[n] \cdot g[n])}{\max(f[n]^2, g[n]^2)}\right)^2}{\sum \max(f[n]^2, g[n]^2)}}$$

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16.7. APPENDIX G - The ERROR Calculation

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The ERROR function outputs a number of values to indicate the degree of correlation between 2 curves. The function requires two input curves

- A reference curve to compare against (the first curve selected)
- The curve to compare against the reference

Once 2 curves have been selected the a check is carries out to see if the two curves contain the same number of points and if the range of x-axis values the same for the two curves. If any inconsistencies are found then a warning message is generated.

The following values are then calculated

Maximum difference and time of variation

Maximum difference as a %age of the reference value at the same time

Maximum difference as a %age of the peak reference value

Average difference

Average difference as a %age of the peak reference value

$$\text{Area weighted difference} = \left(\frac{\int |y_r - y_c| dx}{\frac{1}{2} \left(\int y_r dx + \int y_c dx \right)} \right)$$

where y_r = Reference Curve
 y_c = Data Curve

T/HIS Regression coefficient.



$$R^2 = \left[1 - \frac{\sum (y_c - y_a)^2}{\sum y_a^2 - \frac{\sum y_a^2}{n}} \right]$$

y_c = Data Curve

y_a = Average of Data and Reference Curve = $\frac{1}{2}(y_c + y_r)$

n = Number of Data Points

This is a value between 0 and 1 where 1 means 100% correlation



16.8. APPENDIX H - The "oa_pref" Preference File

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This file contains code-specific preferences that can be used to modify the behaviour of T/HIS. It is optional and, where entries (or the whole file) are omitted T/HIS will revert to its default settings.

"oa_pref" naming convention and locations

The file is called "oa_pref. It is looked for in the following places in the order given:

- The optional administration directory defined by the environmental variable (`$OA_ADMIN` or `$OA_ADMIN_xx` where xx is the release number).
- The site-wide installation directory defined by the environment variable (`$OA_INSTALL`)
- The user's home directory: `$HOME` (Unix/Linux) or `%USERPROFILE%` (Windows)
- The current working directory

See [Installation organisation](#) for an explanation of the directory structure.

All four files are read (if they exist) and the last preference read will be the one used, so the file can be customised for a particular job or user at will.

Files do not have to exist in any of these locations, and if none exists the programme defaults will be used.

On Unix and Linux:

`$HOME` on Unix and Linux is usually the home directory specified for each user in the system password file.

The shell command "`printenv`" (or on some systems "`setenv`") will show the value of this variable if set.

If not set then it is defined as the "`~`" directory for the user. The command "`cd; pwd`" will show this.

On Windows:

`%USERPROFILE%` on Windows is usually `c:\Documents and Settings\
<user id> \`

Issuing the "`set`" command from an MS-DOS prompt will show the value of this and other variables.

Generally speaking you should put

- Organisation-wide options in the version in `$OA_ADMIN_xx` and/or `$OA_INSTALL`,
- User-specific options in `$HOME` / `%USERPROFILE%`
- Project-specific options in the current working directory.



The file contains preferences for the SHELL (lines commencing shell*), THIS (lines commencing this*), D3PLOT (lines commencing d3plot*), PRIMER (lines commencing primer*) and REPORTER (lines commencing reporter*). All lines take the format <preference name> <preference value>.

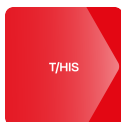
The general copy of the preference file should be present in the [\\$OA_ADMIN_xx](#) and/or [\\$OA_INSTALL](#) directory. This should contain the preferences most suitable for all software users on the system.

An individual's specific preferences file can be stored in the individual's home area. This can be used to personally customise the software to the individual's needs.

Whenever one of the programs whose preferences can be stored in the oa_pref file is fired up, the program will take preferences first from the general preference file in the [\\$OA_ADMIN_xx](#) directory (if it exists) then the [\\$OA_INSTALL](#) directory, then from the file in the user's home area, then from the current working directory.

Preferences defined in the general oa_pref file can be modified in the user's personal file but they can't be removed by it.

From version 9.4 onwards preferences can be locked. If a preference is locked it cannot be changed in an oa_pref file in a more junior directory. To lock a preference use the syntax **'this#'** rather than **'this*'**.



16.8.1. The Interactive Preferences Editor

The interactive Preferences Editor

You are free to edit oa_pref files by hand, but there is an interactive "Preferences Editor" that may be called from within T/HIS that makes the job much easier.

It is started by **Options, Edit Preferences** or through the Preferences Button in the Tool menu

The preferences editor reads an XML file that contains all possible preferences and their valid options, and allows you to change them at will. In this example the user is changing the background colour in D3PLOT.

Note that changes made in the Preferences editor will not affect the current session of D3PLOT, they will only take effect the next time it is run.

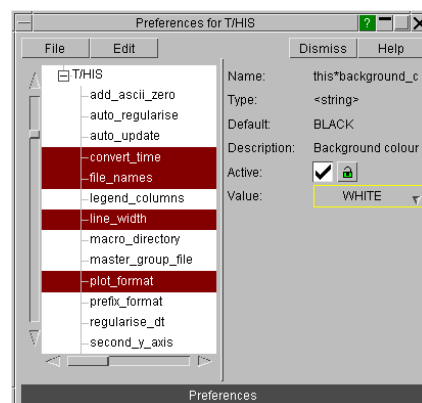
If you have write permission on the oa_pref file in the \$OASYS directory you will be asked if you want to update that file, otherwise you will only be given the option of updating your own file in your \$HOME / \$USERPROFILE directory.

In this example the user is changing the background colour.

The option is "active" (ie present in the oa_pref file) and currently is set to WHITE.

Usage is:

- Select an option in the Tree on the left hand side
- Make it active / inactive
- If active select a value from the popup, or type in a value if necessary



The colour of the highlighting in the left hand side tree is significant:

Green	Means that the option has been read from your \$HOME/\$USERPROFILE file.
Red	Means that the option has been read from the \$OA_INSTALL file.
Magenta	Means that the option had been read from the \$OA_ADMIN file.

In either event, regardless of the data source, the updated option will be written to the file chosen when you started the preferences editor.



Because of the order of file reading ([see above](#)), and option read from the master \$OASYS file, amended, and written to your local \$HOME file will take precedence when you next run T/HIS.



16.8.2. Locking Preferences

Locking Preferences

From version 9.4 onwards preferences can be locked. Beside each option in the preference editor is a padlock symbol. If the symbol is green then the option is unlocked, if it is red then it is locked. If a preference option has been locked in a file that the user can not modify then an error message will be generated if the user tries to edit that option.



If a user manually edits the "oa_pref" file to try and set an option that has been locked in another preference file then the option will be ignored in the users preference file.



16.8.3. Format of the oa_pref File

Format of the oa_pref File

Entries are formatted in the following way:

<programme>*<option>: <setting>

For example: this*laser_paper_size: A4

The rules for formatting are:

- The **<programme>*<option>** string must start at column 1;
- This string must be in lower case, and must not have any spaces in it.
- The **<setting>** must be separated from the string by at least one space.
- Lines starting with a " #" are treated as comments and are ignored.

(Users accustomed to setting the attributes of their window manager with the **.Xdefaults** file will recognise this format and syntax.)

"oa_pref" arguments valid for T/HIS

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
auto_blank	<string>	Turn ON/OFF AutoBlank	ON, OFF	ON
auto_blank_mode	<string>	Set the default AutoBlank mode	MODEL, COMPONENT_ID, ENTITY_TYPE, ENTITY_ID, COMPONENT_TYPE, SURFACE, CURVE	MODEL
auto_update	<logical>	Automatically replot graph after changing axis/title options	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
csv_separator	<string>	CSV file field separator	COMMA, TAB, SPACE	COMMA
datum_file	<string>	File containing DATUM line definitons		<none>
edit_output_in_primer	<string>	Edit/Create DATABASE cards related to T/HIS entities in PRIMER	ON, OFF	ON
error_handler	<string>	how to handle errors and exceptions	no_action, mini_dump, trap_continue, trace_exit	mini_dump



file_buffer_size	<integer>	File buffer size used for read THF (d3thdt) files	512 - 1048576	4096
master_group_file	<string>	Filename for default group information		<none>
null_value	<real>	Value to assign to curves when data doesn't exist		1.0E+18
pemag_calculation_v12	<logical>	Whether the PEMAG calculation uses the v12 logic.	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
show_license_warning	<logical>	Display Window containing License System messages	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
splash_screen_seen	<real>	Most recent version (as major.minor, eg 17.1) for which a splash screen has been seen		0.0

The following control automotive setup

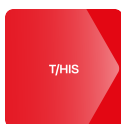
Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
hic_time_window	<real>	Length of time window for HIC automotive operation.	1e-10 - 1e37	0.036
hic_scale_factor	<real>	Scale factor for acceleration used in HIC automotive operation.	1e-10 - 1e37	9.81
injury_text_colour	<string>	Colour used to display injury criteria values (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA,	FOREGROUND



			MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
injury_line_colour	<string>	Colour used to display injury criteria lines (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	FOREGROUND

The following strings and values control formatting of values for graphs

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
add_exponent_to_label	<logical>	Add axis multiplier to label	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
second_y_axis	<logical>	Display 2nd y axis	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE



x_axis				
x_axis_type	<string>	Linear or Logarithmic X Axis type	LOGARITHMIC, LINEAR	LINEAR
x_grid_spacing_off	<real>	X-Axis Grid Spacing value		0.0
x_grid_spacing_int	<real>	X-Axis Grid Interval value		0.0
x_grid_spacing_auto	<string>	X-Axis Grid Spacing	AUTOMATIC, LOCKED	AUTOMATIC
x_axis_decimal_places	<string>	Number of decimal places displayed for X axis values	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Default(3)	Default(3)
x_axis_format	<string>	Format used to display X axis values	Automatic, General, Scientific, Default(Automatic)	Default(Automatic)
y_axis				
y_axis_type	<string>	Linear or Logarithmic X Axis type	LOGARITHMIC, LINEAR	LINEAR
y_grid_spacing_off	<real>	Y-Axis Grid Spacing value		0.0
y_grid_spacing_int	<real>	Y-Axis Grid Interval value		0.0
y_grid_spacing_auto	<string>	Y-Axis Grid Spacing	AUTOMATIC, LOCKED	AUTOMATIC
y_axis_decimal_places	<string>	Number of decimal places displayed for Y axis values	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Default(3)	Default(3)
y_axis_format	<string>	Format used to display Y axis values	Automatic, General, Scientific, Default(Automatic)	Default(Automatic)
y2_axis				
y2_axis_type	<string>	Linear or Logarithmic X Axis type	LOGARITHMIC, LINEAR	LINEAR
y2_align_zero	<logical>	Y2-Axis align with Y=0	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE



y2_axis_decimal_places	<string>	Number of decimal places displayed for second Y axis values	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Default(3)	Default(3)
y2_axis_format	<string>	Format used to display second Y axis values	Automatic, General, Scientific, Default(Automatic)	Default(Automatic)

The following strings and values control checkpoint

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
write_checkpoint_files	<logical>	Record checkpoint files for the T/His session.	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
checkpoint_dir	<string>	Directory for checkpoint files, or "none" to suppress them altogether		<none>
show_checkpoint_files	<logical>	Show checkpoint playback panel upon T/His startup.	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE

The following control colours

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
axis_colour	<string>	Axis colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN,	FOREGROUND



			MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
background_colour	<string>	Background colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	BACKGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	BLACK
border_colour	<string>	Border colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	BACKGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE,	BACKGROUND



			HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
foreground_colour	<string>	Foreground colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	WHITE
title_colour	<string>	Colour of title (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE,	BACKGROUND



			DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
user_colour1	<string>	User defined colour 1 (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3)		<none>
user_colour2	<string>	User defined colour 2 (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3)		<none>
user_colour3	<string>	User defined colour 3 (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3)		<none>
user_colour4	<string>	User defined colour 4 (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3)		<none>
user_colour5	<string>	User defined colour 5 (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3)		<none>
user_colour6	<string>	User defined colour 6 (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3)		<none>
user_colours_file	<string>	Location of the user- defined colours XML file.		<none>
user_text_colour	<string>	Colour for user text (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW,	FOREGROUND



			GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
save_colours_on_exit	<logical>	Automatically save the user colours XML file when the program exits.	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE

The following control whether and how crash dump information is sent by email following a crash

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
cd_compose_email	<logical>	Whether or not to offer to compose an email for sending minidump files.	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
cd_email_address	<string>	Email address in To: field of crash dump emails.		dyna.support@arup.com
cd_cc_addresses	<string>	Email address(es) in Cc: field of crash dump emails.		<none>
cd_custom_email	<string>	Custom method of sending emails.		<none>



cd_dump_directory	<string>	Directory in which to save crash dump files		<none>
cd_email_method	<string>	Method used to create crash dump emails.	BEST_EFFORT, SYSTEM_DEFAULT, OUTLOOK_CLI, URL_MAILTO, CUSTOM	BEST_EFFORT
cd_minidump_file	<string>	Whether or not to create minidump files, and what to do with them.	NOT_USED, SAVED_ONLY, EMAILED_ONLY, SAVED_AND_EMAILED	SAVED_AND_EMAILED

The following options control the automatic creation of curve groups.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
group_by_model	<logical>	Automatically create a curve group for each model	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
group_by_type	<logical>	Automatically create a curve group for each entity type data is read for	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
group_by_component	<logical>	Automatically create a curve group for each component type data is read for	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
component_group_name	<string>	Controls how curve groups created for components are named)	COMPONENT, COMPONENT_AND_TYPE	COMPONENT
group_by_file_index	<logical>	Automatically create a curve	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE



		group based on the index of a curve read from a curve file		

The following options control the columns that are displayed by default in the curve table

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
ctable_show_curve_id	<logical>	Display Curve IDs	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_label	<logical>	Display Curve Labels	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_model	<logical>	Display Files / Models	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_type	<logical>	Display Entity Types	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_entity_id	<logical>	Display Entity Ids	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_component	<logical>	Display Components	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_style	<logical>	Display Curve Styles	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_directory	<logical>	Display Directories	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_min_y	<logical>	Display minimum Y value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_max_y	<logical>	Display maximum Y value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_min_pos_y	<logical>	Display minimum positive Y value	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
ctable_show_min_x	<logical>	Display minimum X value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_max_x	<logical>	Display maximum X value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_min_pos_x	<logical>	Display minimum positive X value	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
ctable_show_x_at_min_y	<logical>	Display X at minimum Y value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE



ctable_show_xatmaxy	<logical>	Display X at maximum Y value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_xatminposy	<logical>	Display X at minimum positive Y value	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
ctable_show_average	<logical>	Display average value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_rms	<logical>	Display RMS value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_points	<logical>	Display number of points	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_hic	<logical>	Display HIC value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_hicd	<logical>	Display HICD value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_tms	<logical>	Display TMS value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_tti	<logical>	Display TTI value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_thiv	<logical>	Display THIV value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_phd	<logical>	Display PHD value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_corr	<logical>	Display CORR value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_show_olc	<logical>	Display OLC value	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ctable_properties_on	<logical>	Display the properties columns	TRUE, FALSE	false
ctable_injuryvals_on	<logical>	Display the injury values columns	TRUE, FALSE	false

The following options control the preferred order of [data sources](#) for various entities

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
use_elout	<logical>	Use ELOUT in preference to ELOUTDET for Shell and ThickShell data components from LSDA file	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
global	<ordered>	Data source for global data	LSDA, ASCII, THF, none	<none>



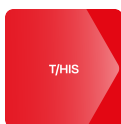
part	<ordered>	Data source for part data	LSDA, ASCII, THF, none	<none>
node	<ordered>	Data source for node data	THF, LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
elements				
solid	<ordered>	Data source for solid data	THF, LSDA, none	<none>
beam	<ordered>	Data source for beam data	THF, LSDA, none	<none>
shell	<ordered>	Data source for shell data	THF, LSDA, none	<none>
tshell	<ordered>	Data source for thick shell data	THF, LSDA, none	<none>
spring	<ordered>	Data source for spring data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
seatbelt	<ordered>	Data source for seatbelt data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
retractor	<ordered>	Data source for retractor data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
slipring	<ordered>	Data source for slipring data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
wall	<ordered>	Data source for rigid wall data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
contact	<ordered>	Data source for contact data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
reaction	<ordered>	Data source for nodal reaction data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
airbag	<ordered>	Data source for airbag data	LSDA, ASCII, XTF, none	<none>
joint	<ordered>	Data source for joint data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
section	<ordered>	Data source for section data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
subsystem	<ordered>	Data source for subsystems data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
geo_contact	<ordered>	Data source for geometric contact data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
nodal_rb	<ordered>	Data source for nodal rigid body data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
weld	<ordered>	Data source for spotweld data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>



spc	<ordered>	Data source for spc data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
boundary	<ordered>	Data source for boundary data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
fsi	<ordered>	Data source for fluid structural interaction data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
sph	<ordered>	Data source for SPH data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
tracer	<ordered>	Data source for TRACER data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
pulley	<ordered>	Data source for PULLEY data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
prtube	<ordered>	Data source for PRTUBE data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
pblast	<ordered>	Data source for Particle Blast data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>
bearing	<ordered>	Data source for BEARING data	LSDA, ASCII, none	<none>

The following strings and values control display options

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
axis_width	<real>	Default line width for axis (pixels)	1.0, 2.0, 4.0, 8.0	2.0
axis_colour	<string>	Axis colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN,	FOREGROUND



			MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
axis_top	<string>	Turn ON/OFF drawing of graph top axis	ON, OFF	ON
axis_right	<string>	Turn ON/OFF drawing of graph right axis	ON, OFF	ON
background_colour	<string>	Background colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, RED/MAGENTA, GREEN/CYAN, INDIGO, YELLOW/GREEN, LIGHT_BLUE, DARK_ORANGE, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, CYAN/BLUE, HOT_PINK, RED/ORANGE, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, GREY, LIGHT_GREY, AUTO	BLACK
border_on	<logical>	Display border	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
border_width	<real>	Default line width for border (pixels)	1.0, 2.0, 4.0, 8.0	1.0
border_colour	<string>	Border colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA,	FOREGROUND



			YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
display_lines				
lines_on	<logical>	Display lines	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
line_width	<real>	Default line width for curves (pixels)	1.0, 2.0, 4.0, 8.0	2.0
fix_styles	<logical>	Fix curve styles to cycle through the default colours/styles regardless of the curve number	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
foreground_colour	<string>	Foreground colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK,	WHITE



			LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
grid				
grid_on	<logical>	Display grid	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
grid_width	<real>	Default line width for grid (pixels)	1.0, 2.0, 4.0, 8.0	1.0
grid_colour	<string>	Grid colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	FOREGROUND
legend				
legend_bg_colour	<string>	Legends background colour (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA,	BLACK



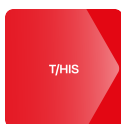
			YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
legend_bg_trans	<integer>	Legend background transparency	0 - 100	0
legend_layout	<string>	Layout of legend	COL_LIST, AUTO, OFF, FLOAT	AUTO
legend_columns	<string>	Number of columns to display in legend	1, 2, 3	2
prefix_format	<string>	Select the prefix formatting for Legend curve labels.	MODEL, DIRECTORY, ROOTNAME, USER	MODEL
show_prefix	<string>	Allows you to toggle the Legend curve label prefix On/Off	AUTO, ON, OFF	AUTO
plot_format	<string>	Default format of plot	COLUMN, DEFAULT, AUTO, OFF, FULL, FLOATING	DEFAULT
symbols_on	<logical>	Display symbols (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
symbol_freq	<integer>	Symbol Frequency	1 - 2147483646	1

The drive mappings allow T/HIS to convert equivalent folder names from Windows to



Unix and visa versa. This is currently only in use for the JavaScript function DriveMapFilename.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
drive_a	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive A: to unix path		<none>
drive_b	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive B: to unix path		<none>
drive_c	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive C: to unix path		<none>
drive_d	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive D: to unix path		<none>
drive_e	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive E: to unix path		<none>
drive_f	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive F: to unix path		<none>
drive_g	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive G: to unix path		<none>
drive_h	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive H: to unix path		<none>
drive_i	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive I: to unix path		<none>
drive_j	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive J: to unix path		<none>
drive_k	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive K: to unix path		<none>
drive_l	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive L: to unix path		<none>
drive_m	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive M: to unix path		<none>
drive_n	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive N: to unix path		<none>
drive_o	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive O: to unix path		<none>
drive_p	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive P: to unix path		<none>
drive_q	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive Q: to unix path		<none>
drive_r	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive R: to unix path		<none>
drive_s	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive S: to unix path		<none>



drive_t	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive T: to unix path		<none>
drive_u	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive U: to unix path		<none>
drive_v	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive V: to unix path		<none>
drive_w	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive W: to unix path		<none>
drive_x	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive X: to unix path		<none>
drive_y	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive Y: to unix path		<none>
drive_z	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive Z: to unix path		<none>

The following options control the fasttcf preferences.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
ftcf_error_count	<integer>	Maximum number of errors before a FAST-TCF script terminates		10
ftcf_write_entity_names	<string>	Write entity names instead of entity IDs into FAST-TCF scripts	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ftcf_write_diadem_channel_names	<string>	Write DIAdem channel names instead of channel numbers into FAST-TCF scripts	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
ftcf_write_user_colours	<string>	Write all user-defined colour definitions into FAST-TCF scripts	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
ftcf_write_required_models	<string>	Reference only the models required by the FAST-TCF script, rather than all models in the session. E.g. capturing a graph that contains only data from model M2 will write the model into the script as model 1, so it can be run in a	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE



		session containing 1 model.		

The following set of options defines how various files are handled by T/HIS.

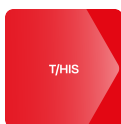
Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
output_directory	<string>	Default output directory for images and other files when multiple models have been read	LATEST_MODEL_READ, FIRST_MODEL_READ, LEGACY	LATEST_MODEL_READ
start_in	<string>	Directory to start T/HIS in		<none>
macro_directory	<string>	Specify a directory for T/HIS to look in for MACRO definitions		\$OA_INSTALL/this_library/macros
file_names	<string>	Controls default file filters. LSTC = d3thdt*, xtfile*, OASYS/ARUP = *.thf, *.xtf	OASYS, ARUP, LSTC	OASYS
file_timeout	<integer>	Timeout period in seconds before T/HIS automatically closes LSDA(binout) and THF	0 - 300	10



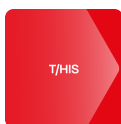
		(d3thdt) files		
read_group_files	<string>	Default action when a group file is found in a model directory and T/HIS has already read a group file.	IGNORE, DELETE, OVERWRITE, INCREMENT	IGNORE

The following strings and values control [axes, title, and legend formatting](#) for graphs

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
title_size	<string>	Font size for title	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
title_font	<string>	Font for title	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default
title_colour	<string>	Colour of title (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN,	FOREGROUND



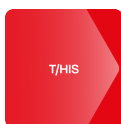
			PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
x_label_size	<string>	Font size for X axis label	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
x_label_font	<string>	Font for X axis label	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default
x_label_colour	<string>	Colour of X axis label (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	FOREGROUND
x_axis_size	<string>	Font size for X axis units	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
x_axis_font	<string>	Font for X axis units	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default



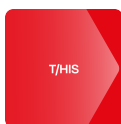
x_axis_colour	<string>	Colour of X axis units (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	FOREGROUND
y_label_size	<string>	Font size for Y axis label	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
y_label_font	<string>	Font for Y axis label	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default
y_label_colour	<string>	Colour of Y axis label (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK,	FOREGROUND



			LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
y_axis_size	<string>	Font size for Y axis units	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
y_axis_font	<string>	Font for Y axis units	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default
y_axis_colour	<string>	Colour of Y axis units (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	FOREGROUND
y2_label_size	<string>	Font size for second Y axis label	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
y2_label_font	<string>	Font for second Y axis label	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold,	Default



			Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	
y2_label_colour	<string>	Colour of second Y axis label (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	FOREGROUND
y2_axis_size	<string>	Font size for second Y axis units	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
y2_axis_font	<string>	Font for second Y axis units	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default
y2_axis_colour	<string>	Colour of second Y axis units (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA,	FOREGROUND

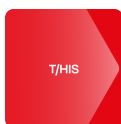


			MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
legend_size	<string>	Font size for curve legends	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
legend_font	<string>	Font for second curve legends	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default
legend_colour	<string>	Colour of curve legends (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	FOREGROUND
legend_display_lines	<string>	Turn User Lines On/Off	ON, OFF	ON



The following strings and values control how T/HIS starts

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
auto_hide	<logical>	Hide graph tool bar	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
graphics_type	<string>	Graphics format to start T/HIS with	OPENGL, TTY, DEFAULT	OPENGL
maximise	<logical>	Maximise window when T/HIS started	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
image_format	<string>	Default image format	BMP_8_C, BMP_8_UN, PNG_8, GIF_8, BMP_24_UN, PNG_24, JPG_24, PPM_24	PNG_24
intel_hd_use_shaders	<string>	Control usage of hardware shaders on Intel HD graphics cards	AUTO_DETECT, FORCE_OFF, FORCE_ON	AUTO_DETECT
placement	<string>	Location for initial window on multi-screen display	LEFT, CENTRE, RIGHT, BOTTOM, TOP, LEFT_BOTTOM, LEFT_TOP, CENTRE_BOTTOM, CENTRE_TOP, RIGHT_BOTTOM, RIGHT_TOP	<none>
rhs_number_columns	<integer>	Number of columns of Tools buttons	4 - 50	4
white_background_image	<logical>	Write images with white background	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
bg_img_on	<string>	Turn the Background Image on or off.	ON, OFF	<none>
bg_img_path	<string>	Valid Background Image file path		<none>
bg_img_scale	<string>	Preset Background Image scaling	WIDTH, HEIGHT, W+H	<none>



bg_img_fact	<real>	Scale factor for Background Image Size		1
bg_img_just	<string>	Background Image Justification	N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W, NW	<none>
bg_img_pos	<string>	Background Image Positioning	TILED, SINGLE	SINGLE
window_layout	<string>	Multiple window layout type	TILE_WIDE, TILE_TALL, CASCADE, 1X1, 2X2, 3X3, XY	TILE_WIDE
x_layout	<integer>	Number used for 'X x Y' layout, number of cols	1 - 8	1
y_layout	<integer>	Number used for 'X x Y' layout, number of rows	1 - 8	1
page_width	<integer>	Width of the page (pixels)		<none>
page_height	<integer>	Height of the page (pixels)		<none>
max_graphs_per_page	<integer>	Max graphs per page	1 - 64	32

The following options control graphical user interface

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
gui_theme	<string>	Graphical User Interface (GUI) theme	LIGHT, DARK, CLASSIC, LEGACY	LIGHT
gui_styling_mode	<string>	Graphical User Interface (GUI) styling and decoration	NOT_USED, TIME_LIMIT, ALWAYS	TIME_LIMIT
gui_styling_tlimit	<integer>	Graphical User Interface (GUI) menu repaint time limit to turn off decorations	0 - 100000	500

The following strings and values control laser plotting setup



Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
laser_paper_size	<string>	Default paper size	A4, A3, US	A4
laser_orientation	<string>	Default page orientation	Portrait, Landscape	Landscape
laser_top_margin	<real>	Top margin size in mm		10
laser_bottom_margin	<real>	Bottom margin size in mm		30
laser_left_margin	<real>	Left margin size in mm		20
laser_right_margin	<real>	Right margin size in mm		10

The following options affect the appearance and behaviour of the graphical user interface, left handed support, and the mouse

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
display_factor	<real>	Factor on display size (0.5 - 2.0, automatic if undefined)	0.5 - 2.0	1.2
display_brightness	<real>	Menu brightness (0.0-1.0)	0.0 - 1.0	1.0
display_saturation	<real>	Menu colour saturation (0.0-1.0)	0.0 - 1.0	1.0
button_gradation	<real>	Button shade gradation (0.0-1.0)	0.0 - 1.0	0.0
dv_sync_windows	<string>	Dyn view method(s) for synchronising windows	ICON, ICON+CAPS, ICON+NUM, ICON+CAPS+NUM	ICON+CAPS
dv_left_shift	<string>	Dyn view action for shift + Left mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ROTATION_XYZ
dv_middle_shift	<string>	Dyn view action for	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z,	TRANSLATION



		shift + Middle mouse	ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	
dv_right_shift	<string>	Dyn view action for shift + Right mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ZOOM_UP_+VE
dv_left_ctrl	<string>	Dyn view action for ctrl + Left mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ROTATION_XYZ
dv_middle_ctrl	<string>	Dyn view action for ctrl + Middle mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	TRANSLATION
dv_right_ctrl	<string>	Dyn view action for ctrl + Right mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ZOOM_UP_+VE
dv_left_both	<string>	Dyn view action for shift+ctrl + Left mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ROTATION_XYZ



dv_middle_both	<string>	Dyn view action for shift+ctrl + Middle mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	TRANSLATION
dv_right_both	<string>	Dyn view action for shift+ctrl + Right mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ZOOM_UP_+VE
dv_shift_action	<string>	Dynamic viewing mode for shift + mouse button	CURRENT, WIREFRAME, FREE_EDGE, UNUSED	CURRENT
dv_ctrl_action	<string>	Dynamic viewing mode for ctrl + mouse button	CURRENT, WIREFRAME, FREE_EDGE, UNUSED	WIREFRAME
dv_both_action	<string>	Dynamic viewing mode for shift+ctrl + mouse button	CURRENT, WIREFRAME, FREE_EDGE, UNUSED	FREE_EDGE
font_cache	<logical>	Whether to use cached fonts on Linux machines with no core X11 fonts loaded	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
font_quality	<string>	The quality of font rendering in the graphical	PLAIN, ANTI-ALIAS	ANTI-ALIAS



		user interface		
font_scaling	<string>	Whether text in GUI buttons can be scaled down to fit (TRUE means both width and height)	FALSE, WIDTH, HEIGHT, TRUE	WIDTH
font_silent	<logical>	whether to write explanatory text if wanted fonts are not found	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
font_size	<string>	Menu font size	TINY, SMALL, DEFAULT, LARGE, HUGE	DEFAULT
font_type	<string>	Menu font typeface and strength	HELVETICA, HELVETICA-BOLD, TIMES, TIMES-BOLD, COURIER, COURIER-BOLD	HELVETICA
unix_prop_font	<string>	GUI proportional font for menu panels on Linux/Unix		Helvetica
unix_mono_font	<string>	GUI monospaced font for listing boxes on Linux/Unix		Courier New
windows_prop_font	<string>	GUI proportional font for menu panels on Windows		Helvetica
windows_mono_font	<string>	GUI monospaced font for		Courier New



		listing boxes on Windows		
left_handed	<string>	Left handed switching of mouse and/or keyboard	NONE, MOUSE, KEYBOARD, ALL	NONE
zoom_factor	<real>	Zoom Factor for mouse wheel (0.01-1.0)	0.01 - 1.0	0.05
czoom_factor	<real>	Factor for right mouse dynamic zoom (0.01-0.2)	0.01 - 0.2	0.05
kzoom_factor	<real>	Factor for +/- keyboard short-cut keys	0.01 - 100.0	2.0
menu_dragging_mode	<string>	Mode used when moving menu panels with the mouse	WIREFRAME, OPAQUE	WIREFRAME
mouse_action_middle_button	<string>	Set the action for the middle mouse key during picking	APPLY, REJECT, DESELECT	REJECT
mouse_action_right_button	<string>	Set the action for the right mouse key during picking	APPLY, REJECT, DESELECT	DESELECT

The following control settings related to curve properties

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default



curve_property_number_format	<string>	Number format option for curves	AUTO, SCIENTIFIC, GENERAL	SCIENTIFIC
curve_property_dec_places	<integer>	Number of decimal places to display for curves	0 - 9	3

The following control settings related to quickfind

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
quickfind_unmatched_text_colour	<string>	Text colour for unmatched characters (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	BLACK
quickfind_matched_text_colour	<string>	Text colour for matched characters (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME,	BLUE



			SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE, HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	
quickfind_found_list_length	<integer>	Number of items to display in the found list	1 - 20	10
quickfind_recent_history	<integer>	Number of recently selected items to store	0 - 2147483646	10
quickfind_sequential_bonus	<integer>	Modifier for two successful adjacent matches	1 - 100	50
quickfind_word_start_bonus	<integer>	Modifier for successful match at word beginning	1 - 100	10
quickfind_box_size	<string>	Size and layout of Search box	SMALL, LARGE	SMALL

The following control the read options.

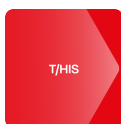
Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
database				
database_dir	<string>	Directory to look in for model database (XML) files		<none>
database_file	<string>	Default model database (XML) file		<none>



database_expand	<integer>	Number of levels to automatically expand in model database tree (-1 ALL)	-1 - 2147483646	0
equations				
equation_x_start	<real>	X axis start value for equation curves.	-1e37 - 1e37	0.0
equation_x_interval	<real>	X interval between points for equation curves.	1e-10 - 1e37	0.001
equation_npoints	<real>	Number of points for equation curves. Not used if equation_x_interval is defined.	1 - 1e7	0.001
equation_x_end	<real>	X axis end value for equation curves.	-1e37 - 1e37	1.0
ISO				
iso_curve_labels	<string>	Curve label for ISO	CHANNEL_NAME, CHANNEL_CODE	CHANNEL_CODE
iso_list_labels	<string>	Default list labels in Read ISO panel	FILENAME, CHANNEL_CODE	FILENAME

The following options define how Javascripts are processed by THIS. See [the JavaScript interface](#) for further details.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
modules_directory	<string>	Directory for T/HIS to look for modules in		<none>
script_directory	<string>	Directory in which T/HIS looks for scripts		\$OA_INSTALL/this_library/scripts
javascript_memory_size	<integer>	Initial memory	1 - 4095	25



		allocated for garbage collection (MB)		
javascript_update_curve_menu	<logical>	Update curve menu contents while a JavaScript is running	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE

The following options define how T/HIS sessions are processed See [T/HIS Session Save and Retrieve](#) for further details.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
save_window_positions	<logical>	Save position of undocked windows between sessions	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
session_auto_save	<string>	Save a session unconditionally on exit	OFF, ON	OFF
session_save_option	<string>	Location for automatically saving sessions	HOME, USER_DEFINED, DESKTOP	HOME
session_save_dir	<string>	User-defined location for session save		<none>
session_embed_cur_csv_files	<string>	Embed the external cur/csv files into the session.	OFF, ON	OFF
session_embed_curve_data	<string>	Embed the curve xy data for all curves into the session.	OFF, ON	OFF
show_session_retrieve_on_start	<string>	A pop-up panel to retrieve a saved T/HIS session file would show up every time T/HIS is launched.	ON, OFF	OFF

Keys can have functions assigned to them:



Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
F1_key	<string>	Shortcut for F1		<none>
F2_key	<string>	Shortcut for F2		<none>
F3_key	<string>	Shortcut for F3		<none>
F4_key	<string>	Shortcut for F4		<none>
F5_key	<string>	Shortcut for F5		<none>
F6_key	<string>	Shortcut for F6		<none>
F7_key	<string>	Shortcut for F7		<none>
F8_key	<string>	Shortcut for F8		<none>
F9_key	<string>	Shortcut for F9		<none>
F10_key	<string>	Shortcut for F10		<none>
F11_key	<string>	Shortcut for F11		<none>
F12_key	<string>	Shortcut for F12		<none>
A_key	<string>	Shortcut for A		AUTOSCALE
B_key	<string>	Shortcut for B		BLANK
C_key	<string>	Shortcut for C		CURVE_MENU
D_key	<string>	Shortcut for D		DATUM_MENU
E_key	<string>	Shortcut for E		<none>
F_key	<string>	Shortcut for F		FAST_TCF_MENU
G_key	<string>	Shortcut for G		NEW_WINDOW
H_key	<string>	Shortcut for H		<none>
I_key	<string>	Shortcut for I		<none>
J_key	<string>	Shortcut for J		JAVASCRIPT_MENU
K_key	<string>	Shortcut for K		<none>
L_key	<string>	Shortcut for L		<none>
M_key	<string>	Shortcut for M		<none>
N_key	<string>	Shortcut for N		EDIT_NEXT
O_key	<string>	Shortcut for O		<none>
P_key	<string>	Shortcut for P		PLOT
Q_key	<string>	Shortcut for Q		QUICK_PICK
R_key	<string>	Shortcut for R		REVERSE
S_key	<string>	Shortcut for S		<none>
T_key	<string>	Shortcut for T		TIDY_MENUS
U_key	<string>	Shortcut for U		UNBLANK
V_key	<string>	Shortcut for V		CURVE_GROUP
W_key	<string>	Shortcut for W		<none>
X_key	<string>	Shortcut for X		CURVE_TABLE
Y_key	<string>	Shortcut for Y		Y_AUTOSCALE
Z_key	<string>	Shortcut for Z		ZOOM



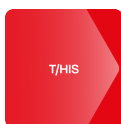
a_key	<string>	Shortcut for a	AUTOSCALE
b_key	<string>	Shortcut for b	BLANK
c_key	<string>	Shortcut for c	CURVE_MENU
d_key	<string>	Shortcut for d	DATUM_MENU
e_key	<string>	Shortcut for e	<none>
f_key	<string>	Shortcut for f	FAST_TCF_MENU
g_key	<string>	Shortcut for g	NEW_WINDOW
h_key	<string>	Shortcut for h	<none>
i_key	<string>	Shortcut for i	<none>
j_key	<string>	Shortcut for j	JAVASCRIPT_MENU
k_key	<string>	Shortcut for k	<none>
l_key	<string>	Shortcut for l	<none>
m_key	<string>	Shortcut for m	<none>
n_key	<string>	Shortcut for n	EDIT_NEXT
o_key	<string>	Shortcut for o	<none>
p_key	<string>	Shortcut for p	PLOT
q_key	<string>	Shortcut for q	QUICK_PICK
r_key	<string>	Shortcut for r	REVERSE
s_key	<string>	Shortcut for s	<none>
t_key	<string>	Shortcut for t	TIDY_MENUS
u_key	<string>	Shortcut for u	UNBLANK
v_key	<string>	Shortcut for v	CURVE_GROUP
w_key	<string>	Shortcut for w	<none>
x_key	<string>	Shortcut for x	CURVE_TABLE
y_key	<string>	Shortcut for y	Y_AUTOSCALE
z_key	<string>	Shortcut for z	ZOOM
SPACE_key	<string>	Shortcut for space	PLOT
ZERO_key	<string>	Shortcut for 0	COPY_AXIS
ONE_key	<string>	Shortcut for 1	TILE_TALL
TWO_key	<string>	Shortcut for 2	TILE_WIDE
THREE_key	<string>	Shortcut for 3	CASCADE
FOUR_key	<string>	Shortcut for 4	LAYOUT_1X1
FIVE_key	<string>	Shortcut for 5	LAYOUT_2X2
SIX_key	<string>	Shortcut for 6	LAYOUT_3X3
SEVEN_key	<string>	Shortcut for 7	<none>
EIGHT_key	<string>	Shortcut for 8	<none>
NINE_key	<string>	Shortcut for 9	<none>
EXCLAMATION_key	<string>	Shortcut for !	<none>
DOUBLEQUOTE_key	<string>	Shortcut for "	<none>
HASH_key	<string>	Shortcut for #	<none>



DOLLAR_key	<string>	Shortcut for \$		<none>
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RIGHTBRACKET_key	<string>	Shortcut for)		<none>
ASTERISK_key	<string>	Shortcut for *		<none>
PLUS_key	<string>	Shortcut for +		ZOOM_IN
COMMA_key	<string>	Shortcut for ,		<none>
MINUS_key	<string>	Shortcut for -		ZOOM_OUT
DOT_key	<string>	Shortcut for .		<none>
SLASH_key	<string>	Shortcut for /		SHORTCUT
COLON_key	<string>	Shortcut for :		<none>
SEMICOLON_key	<string>	Shortcut for ;		<none>
LESSTHAN_key	<string>	Shortcut for <		<none>
EQUALS_key	<string>	Shortcut for =		ZOOM_IN
GREATERTHAN_key	<string>	Shortcut for >		<none>
QUESTIONMARK_key	<string>	Shortcut for ?		SHORTCUT
AT_key	<string>	Shortcut for @		<none>
LEFTSQUAREBRACKET_key	<string>	Shortcut for [		<none>
BACKSLASH_key	<string>	Shortcut for \		<none>
RIGHTSQUAREBRACKET_key	<string>	Shortcut for]		<none>
CIRCUMFLEX_key	<string>	Shortcut for ^		<none>
UNDERSCORE_key	<string>	Shortcut for _		ZOOM_OUT
BACKTICK_key	<string>	Shortcut for `		<none>
LEFTCURLYBRACKET_key	<string>	Shortcut for {		<none>
PIPE_key	<string>	Shortcut for		<none>
RIGHTCURLYBRACKET_key	<string>	Shortcut for }		<none>
TILDE_key	<string>	Shortcut for ~		<none>

The following options control settings.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
add_ascii_zero	<logical>	Automatically add point at time zero if required	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
auto_regularise	<logical>	Always regularise curves before filtering	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE



convert_time	<logical>	Automatically convert from ms->s when filtering	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
s_to_ms_conversion_time	<real>	Time threshold for seconds to milliseconds conversion		10.000
show_3ms_value	<string>	Display 3ms Clip value	ON, OFF	ON
show_hic_value	<string>	Display HIC value	ON, OFF	ON
show_phd_value	<string>	Display PHD value	ON, OFF	OFF
show_thiv_value	<string>	Display THIV value	ON, OFF	OFF
show_olc_value	<string>	Display OLC value	ON, OFF	OFF
vc_method	<string>	Default method for calculating Viscous Criteria	ECER95, IIHS	ECER95
asi_method	<string>	Default method for calculating Acceleration Severity Index	2010, 1998	2010
damage_method	<string>	Calculation method for calculating Damage injury metric	rk4, rkf45, nbm	rk4
automotive_constant_unit_system	<string>	Unit system of the constants in DMG, OLC and TI Operation	U1, U2, U3, U4, U5, U6	U1
curve_palette	<string>	Controls how many colours are used by curves, default(6), extended(13), no_grey(27), full(30+any user defined)	DEFAULT, EXTENDED, NO_GREY, FULL	OFF
line_antialias	<string>	Draw lines using antialiasing	OFF, ON	ON
line_scale_dpi	<string>	Scale lines according to display DPI resolution	OFF, ON	ON
regularise_dt	<real>	Time interval for automatic curve regularisation		0.0001
auto_filter	<logical>	Automatically filter curves	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
auto_filter_class	<string>	Filter class for automatic filtering of curves	C60, C180, C600, C1000	C60



The following strings control the T/HIS header and version number at the bottom right of the plot space

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
user_text_line_1	<string>	Text for line 1		<none>
user_text_line_2	<string>	Text for line 2		<none>
user_text_line_3	<string>	Text for line 3		<none>
user_text_line_4	<string>	Text for line 4		<none>
user_text_line_5	<string>	Text for line 5		<none>
user_text_line_6	<string>	Text for line 6		<none>
user_text_size_1	<string>	Size of text on line 1	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
user_text_size_2	<string>	Size of text on line 2	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
user_text_size_3	<string>	Size of text on line 3	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
user_text_size_4	<string>	Size of text on line 4	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
user_text_size_5	<string>	Size of text on line 5	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
user_text_size_6	<string>	Size of text on line 6	8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 24, Default	Default
user_text_font	<string>	Font for user text	Helvetica_Medium, Helvetica_Bold, Courier_Medium, Courier_Bold, Times_Medium, Times_bold, Default	Default
user_text_colour	<string>	Colour for user text (hex code e.g. 0XA1B2C3 or core colour name e.g. OLIVE)	FOREGROUND, WHITE, BLACK, RED, GREEN, BLUE, CYAN, MAGENTA, YELLOW, ORANGE, TURQUOISE, INDIGO, LIME, SKY, PINK, PALE_YELLOW, GOLD, OLIVE, DARK_MAGENTA, MEDIUM_GREEN, MEDIUM_BLUE,	FOREGROUND



			HOT_PINK, LIGHT_PINK, SEA_GREEN, MAROON, DARK_GREEN, PURPLE, NAVY, DARK_GREY, MEDIUM_GREY, LIGHT_GREY	

The following control treatment of unicode

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
cjk_unix_font	<string>	Font to use for CJK text on unix machines		-misc- fixed- medium -r- normal- *-12-* *_*_*_*_ *_*
cjk_windows_font	<string>	Font to use for CJK text on windows machines		MS Gothic 10
file_encoding	<string>	Character encoding for script files	Latin-1, BIG5, EUC- CN, EUC-JP, EUC-KR, GB, GBK, ISO- 2022-CN, ISO-2022- CN-EXT, ISO- 2022-JP, ISO- 2022-JP-2, ISO-2022- KR, JOHAB, Shift-JIS, UTF-8, UTF- 16BE, UTF- 16LE, UTF- 16, UTF- 32BE, UTF- 32LE, UTF-32	Latin-1



The following strings and values control the display of UNIT information in T/HIS

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
model_units	<string>	Sets the default UNIT system for models	U1 m:kg:s (SI), U2 mm:T:s, U3 mm:kg:ms, U4 mm:gm:ms, U5 ft:slug:s, U6 m:T:s	U1 m:kg:s (SI)
display_units	<string>	Sets the default UNIT system used to display results	U1 m:kg:s (SI), U2 mm:T:s, U3 mm:kg:ms, U4 mm:gm:ms, U5 ft:slug:s, U6 m:T:s	U1 m:kg:s (SI)
write_csv_units	<logical>	Write UNIT information to CSV files	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE

"oa_pref" arguments valid for all programs

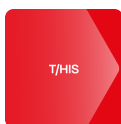
Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
file_names	<string>	Controls input filename syntax. LSTC = d3*, OASYS = job.ptf*	OASYS, LSTC	OASYS
html_application	<string>	Location of HTML browser		<none>
html_application_linux	<string>	Location of HTML browser for linux		<none>



		(use if the same oa_pref file is used for windows and linux)		
html_application_windows	<string>	Location of HTML browser for windows (use if the same oa_pref file is used for windows and linux)		<none>
image_format	<string>	Default image format	BMP_8_C, BMP_8_UN, PNG_8, GIF_8, BMP_24_UN, PNG_24, JPG_24, PPM_24	PNG_24
intel_hd_use_shaders	<string>	Control usage of hardware shaders on Intel HD graphics cards	AUTO_DETECT, FORCE_OFF, FORCE_ON	AUTO_DETECT
javascript_maximum_memory_size	<integer>	Maximum memory allocated for garbage collection (MB)	1 - 4095	4095
locale	<string>	Language and country locale to use (overrides		<none>



		system one)		
manuals_url	<string>	URL of the online manuals		help.oasys- software.com/articles/?reader UiPreview=1#!
maximise	<logical>	Maximise window when Program is started	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
online_manuals	<logical>	Open the online version of the manuals from Help buttons (TRUE) or open the local (offline) HTML copy (FALSE)	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
pdf_application	<string>	Location of PDF browser		<none>
pdf_application_linux	<string>	Location of PDF browser for linux (use if the same oa_pref file is used for windows and linux)		<none>
pdf_application_windows	<string>	Location of PDF browser for windows (use if the same oa_pref file		<none>



		is used for windows and linux)		
placement	<string>	Location for initial window on multi-screen display	LEFT, CENTRE, RIGHT, BOTTOM, TOP, LEFT_BOTTOM, LEFT_TOP, CENTRE_BOTTOM, CENTRE_TOP, RIGHT_BOTTOM, RIGHT_TOP	<none>
start_in	<string>	Directory to start Program in		<none>
temp_file_expiry	<integer>	Age in days after which a temporary filename can be reused, 0 = never	0 - 10000	31
show_license_warning	<logical>	Display Window containing License System messages	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
post_uses_primer	<logical>	ADMIN/INSTALL pref which allows D3Plot, T/his to take an available Primer license	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE



save_window_positions	<logical>	Save position of undocked windows between sessions	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE

The following control whether and how crash dump information is sent by email following a crash

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
cd_compose_email	<logical>	Whether or not to offer to compose an email for sending minidump files.	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE
cd_email_address	<string>	Email address in To: field of crash dump emails.		dyna.support@arup.com
cd_cc_addresses	<string>	Email address(es) in Cc: field of crash dump emails.		<none>
cd_custom_email	<string>	Custom method of sending emails.		<none>
cd_dump_directory	<string>	Directory in which to save crash dump files		<none>
cd_email_method	<string>	Method used to create crash dump emails.	BEST_EFFORT, SYSTEM_DEFAULT, OUTLOOK_CLI, URL_MAILTO, CUSTOM	BEST_EFFORT



cd_minidump_file	<string>	Whether or not to create minidump files, and what to do with them.	NOT_USED, SAVED_ONLY, EMAILED_ONLY, SAVED_AND_EMAIL, D	SAVED_AND_EMAIL

The following control directories

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
home_dir	<string>	"home" directory for user		<none>
manuals_dir	<string>	Directory user manuals are installed in		<none>
temp_dir	<string>	temporary directory for user		<none>
write_checkpoint_files	<logical>	Record checkpoint files for the PRIMER, D3PLOT or T/His sessions.	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
checkpoint_dir	<string>	Directory for checkpoint files. If omitted use cwd.		<none>
show_checkpoint_files	<logical>	Show checkpoint playback panel upon PRIMER, D3PLOT or T/His startup.	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE

General graphics initialisation and settings.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
initial_view_orientation	<string>	Initial view orientation for the graphics window.	+XY, +YZ, +XZ, +ISO, -XY, -YZ, -XZ, -ISO	+XY

The following options control graphical user interface

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
gui_theme	<string>	Graphical User Interface (GUI) theme	LIGHT, DARK, CLASSIC, LEGACY	LIGHT



gui_styling_mode	<string>	Graphical User Interface (GUI) styling and decoration	NOT_USED, TIME_LIMIT, ALWAYS	TIME_LIMIT
gui_styling_tlimit	<integer>	Graphical User Interface (GUI) menu repaint time limit to turn off decorations	0 - 100000	500

The following control laser options

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
laser_paper_size	<string>	Default paper size	US, A4	A4
laser_orientation	<string>	Default page orientation	Portrait, Landscape	Landscape
laser_top_margin	<real>	Top margin size in mm		10
laser_bottom_margin	<real>	Bottom margin size in mm		30
laser_left_margin	<real>	Left margin size in mm		20
laser_right_margin	<real>	Right margin size in mm		10

The following control menu and mouse attributes

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
display_factor	<real>	Factor on display size (0.5 - 2.0, automatic if undefined)	0.5 - 2.0	1.2
display_brightness	<real>	Menu brightness (0.0-1.0)	0.0 - 1.0	1.0
display_saturation	<real>	Menu colour saturation (0.0-1.0)	0.0 - 1.0	1.0
button_gradation	<real>	Button shade gradation (0.0-1.0)	0.0 - 1.0	0.0
dv_sync_windows	<string>	Dyn view method(s) for synchronising windows	ICON, ICON+CAPS, ICON+NUM, ICON+CAPS+NUM	ICON+CAPS
dv_left_shift	<string>	Dyn view action for	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, Z	ROTATION_XYZ



		shift + Left mouse	ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	
dv_middle_shift	<string>	Dyn view action for shift + Middle mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	TRANSLATION
dv_right_shift	<string>	Dyn view action for shift + Right mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ZOOM_UP_+VE
dv_left_ctrl	<string>	Dyn view action for ctrl + Left mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ROTATION_XY Z
dv_middle_ctrl	<string>	Dyn view action for ctrl + Middle mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	TRANSLATION
dv_right_ctrl	<string>	Dyn view action for ctrl + Right mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE, TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE,	ZOOM_UP_+VE



			ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	
dv_left_both	<string>	Dyn view action for shift+ctrl + Left mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE , TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ROTATION_XY Z
dv_middle_both	<string>	Dyn view action for shift+ctrl + Middle mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE , TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	TRANSLATION
dv_right_both	<string>	Dyn view action for shift+ctrl + Right mouse	ROTATION_XYZ, ROTATION_XY, ROTATION_Z, ROTATION_SPHERE , TRANSLATION, ZOOM_UP_+VE, ZOOM_DOWN_+VE, UNUSED	ZOOM_UP_+VE
dv_shift_action	<string>	Dynamic viewing mode for shift + mouse button	CURRENT, WIREFRAME, FREE_EDGE, UNUSED	CURRENT
dv_ctrl_action	<string>	Dynamic viewing mode for ctrl + mouse button	CURRENT, WIREFRAME, FREE_EDGE, UNUSED	WIREFRAME
dv_both_action	<string>	Dynamic viewing mode for shift+ctrl + mouse button	CURRENT, WIREFRAME, FREE_EDGE, UNUSED	FREE_EDGE
font_cache	<logical >	Whether to use cached	TRUE, FALSE	TRUE



		fonts on Linux machines with no core X11 fonts loaded		
font_quality	<string>	The quality of font rendering in the graphical user interface	PLAIN, ANTI-ALIAS	ANTI-ALIAS
font_scaling	<string>	Whether text in GUI buttons can be scaled down to fit (TRUE means both width and height)	FALSE, WIDTH, HEIGHT, TRUE	WIDTH
font_silent	<logical>	whether to write explanatory text if wanted fonts are not found	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
font_size	<string>	Menu font size	TINY, SMALL, DEFAULT, LARGE, HUGE	DEFAULT
font_type	<string>	Menu font typeface and strength	HELVETICA, HELVETICA-BOLD, TIMES, TIMES-BOLD, COURIER, COURIER-BOLD	HELVETICA
unix_prop_font	<string>	GUI proportional font for menu panels on Linux/Unix		Helvetica
unix_mono_font	<string>	GUI monospaced font for listing boxes		Courier New



		on Linux/Unix		
windows_prop_font	<string>	GUI proportional font for menu panels on Windows		Helvetica
windows_mono_font	<string>	GUI monospaced font for listing boxes on Windows		Courier New
left_handed	<string>	Left handed switching of mouse and/or keyboard	NONE, MOUSE, KEYBOARD, ALL	NONE
zoom_factor	<real>	Zoom Factor for mouse wheel (0.01- 1.0)	0.01 - 1.0	0.05
czoom_factor	<real>	Factor for right mouse dynamic zoom (0.01- 0.2)	0.01 - 0.2	0.05
kzoom_factor	<real>	Factor for +/- keyboard short-cut keys	0.01 - 100.0	2.0
menu_dragging_mode	<string>	Mode used when moving menu panels with the mouse	WIREFRAME, OPAQUE	WIREFRAME
mouse_3d_rotation_factor	<real>	Factor applied to the speed of rotation when using a 3D mouse		1.0
mouse_3d_pan_factor	<real>	Factor applied to the speed of		1.0



		panning when using a 3D mouse		
mouse_3d_zoom_factor	<real>	Factor applied to the speed of zooming when using a 3D mouse		1.0
mouse_action_middle_button	<string>	Set the action for the middle mouse key during picking	APPLY, REJECT, DESELECT	REJECT
mouse_action_right_button	<string>	Set the action for the right mouse key during picking	APPLY, REJECT, DESELECT	DESELECT

The following control treatment of recent files popups

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
recent_files_dropdown	<string>	Turn the recent files popup on or off	OFF, ON	ON
recent_files_max_buttons	<integer>	Maximum number of buttons displayed in a recent files popup	1 - 50	10
recent_files_max_characters	<integer>	Maximum number of characters displayed on each recent files button	1 - 512	50

The following control treatment of unicode

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
cjk_unix_font	<string>	Font to use for CJK text on unix machines		-misc-fixed-medium-r-normal-*-12-*



				*_*_*_*_*_*_*_*
cjk_windows_font	<string>	Font to use for CJK text on windows machines		MS Gothic 10
file_encoding	<string>	Character encoding for script files	Latin-1, BIG5, EUC-CN, EUC-JP, EUC-KR, GB, GBK, ISO-2022-CN, ISO-2022-CN-EXT, ISO-2022-JP, ISO-2022-JP-2, ISO-2022-KR, JOHAB, Shift-JIS, UTF-8, UTF-16BE, UTF-16LE, UTF-16, UTF-32BE, UTF-32LE, UTF-32	Latin-1

The drive mappings allow PRIMER to convert equivalent folder names from Windows to Unix and visa versa. This is currently only in use for the JavaScript function DriveMapFilename for D3PLOT and T/HIS.

Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
drive_a	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive A: to unix path		<none>
drive_b	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive B: to unix path		<none>
drive_c	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive C: to unix path		<none>
drive_d	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive D: to unix path		<none>
drive_e	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive E: to unix path		<none>
drive_f	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive F: to unix path		<none>



drive_g	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive G: to unix path		<none>
drive_h	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive H: to unix path		<none>
drive_i	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive I: to unix path		<none>
drive_j	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive J: to unix path		<none>
drive_k	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive K: to unix path		<none>
drive_l	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive L: to unix path		<none>
drive_m	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive M: to unix path		<none>
drive_n	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive N: to unix path		<none>
drive_o	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive O: to unix path		<none>
drive_p	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive P: to unix path		<none>
drive_q	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive Q: to unix path		<none>
drive_r	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive R: to unix path		<none>
drive_s	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive S: to unix path		<none>
drive_t	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive T: to unix path		<none>
drive_u	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive U: to unix path		<none>
drive_v	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive V: to unix path		<none>
drive_w	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive W: to unix path		<none>
drive_x	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive X: to unix path		<none>
drive_y	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive Y: to unix path		<none>
drive_z	<string>	Mapping from Windows drive Z: to unix path		<none>

The following control workflows functionality



Preference	Type	Description	Valid arguments	Default
workflow_definitions_directory	<string>	Location that will be scanned for Workflow definitions		<none>
workflow_only_use_specified_directory	<logical>	Only scan location set by preference oasys*workflow_definitions_directory for Workflow definitions (if it is set)	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
workflow_user_data_directory_name	<string>	Name of a folder to search in for workflow user data		<none>
workflow_auto_open_post_menu	<logical>	Automatically open the Workflow menu in D3PLOT or T/HIS when reading in a model that has workflow data	TRUE, FALSE	FALSE
workflow_max_upward_folder_search	<integer>	Maximum number of folders	0 - 100	4



16.9. APPENDIX I - Windows File Associations

16.9.1. WINDOWS (PC's)

WINDOWS (PC's)

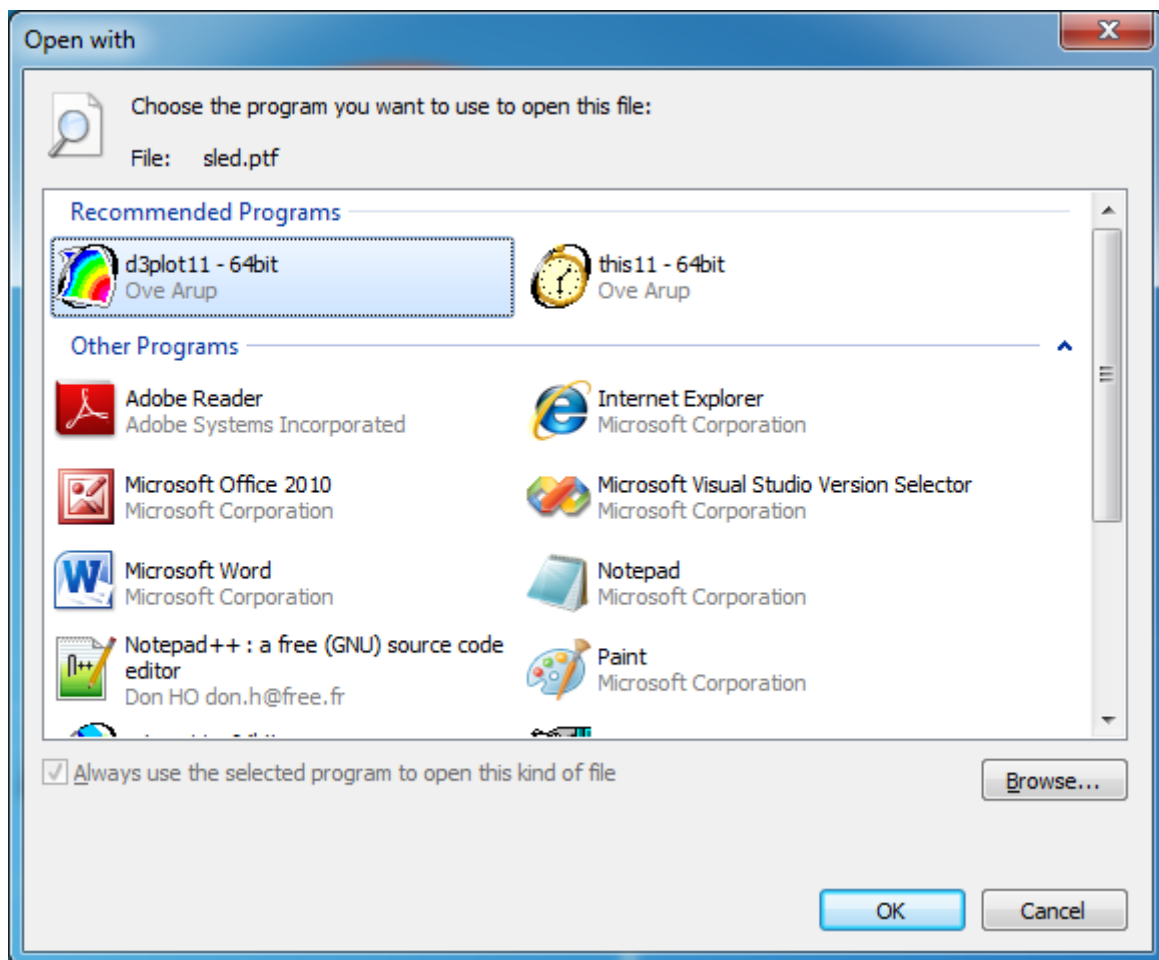
Under Windows on PC it is possible to set up file associations so that double clicking on files with the `.thf` , `.xtf` , `.cur` and `.bdf` extension opens them automatically in T/HIS.

All of these settings are optional: you should be aware that under the Windows operating system associating a filetype (via its extension) with an application is convenient, but can also be restricting and hard to undo.

To make `.thf` files open in T/HIS by double-clicking on them

If no application is currently associated with `.thf` files, a "double-click" won't work, and some non-specific, usually "windows", icon will be displayed with the file.

Right click on any `.thf` file, and select **properties** and then press the Change... tab next to Opens with: from the popup menu.



1. This will bring up the **"Open with"** panel.
2. Ensure the **Always use...** box is ticked
3. Use the directory browsing window to find the correct T/HIS executable. You are looking for file **this11.exe** or **this11_x64.exe** .
4. Select the executable and click on **OK** to close the "Open With" window.

T/HIS should now open and read in the selected file and you should now find that:

- All **.thf** files on your system show the T/HIS icon.
- Double-clicking on any such file starts T/HIS and opens that file.

It is not possible to set up the filename "d3thdt" for double-clicking in this way since Windows requires filename extensions when assigning applications to files.)

To make .xtf

The procedure is exactly the same as for **.thf** files, and must be carried out for each of the file types that you wish to process by double-clicking:



.xtf Ansys LS-DYNA Extra Time History file

.cur T/HIS Curve file

.bdf T/HIS Bulk Data file

Note that: File types **.thf** and **.xtf** are opened in this way, but no contents are read in.

File types **.cur** and **.bdf** are opened and their complete contents read in.



16.10. APPENDIX J - Typed Commands

16.10.1. Global Menu

Global Menu	
PL - Plot	CL - Clear Screen
ZM - Zoom	AU - Auto Scale Plot
CE - Centre	PT - Point on Screen
PF - Write Postscript file (use default)	
PC - Write Postscript file (Colour)	
PB - Write Postscript file (Blank/White)	
BL - Blank Curve	UB - Unblank Curve
RM - Remove a Curve	ER - Erase all curves
GS - Global Status	CO - Condense Curves
Y1 - 1st Y axis	Y2 - Second Y axis
DOU - Double Y axis (ON/ OFF)	
CF - Command file (read)	SF - Session file (write)
CS - Close session file	
EX - Exit	
! - Backspace	/ - Top level menu
Q - Abort operation	
; - End of command string	



16.10.2. List Commands

List Commands

LS - List all files in current directory **LC** - List all files "*.cur" in current directory
LB - List all files "*.bdf" in current directory **LK** - List all files "*.key" in current directory
LI - List all files ASCII files in current directory

GM - Global Menu		
MO - Model options	RE <file> - Read Model Files	
	DA - Read Data from model	GL <component> - Global data
		PA <id> <component> - Part data
		NO <id> <component> - Node data
		SO <id> <component> - Solid data
		BE <id> <component> - Beam data
		SH <id> <component> - Shell data
		TS <id> <component> - Thick Shell data
		WA <id> <component> - Part data
		SPR <id> <component> - Spring data
		SEA <id> <component> - Seatbelt data
		RET <id> <component> - Retractor data
		SL <id> <component> - Slipring data
		CO <id> <component> - Contact data
		REA <id> <component> - Reaction data
		AI <id> <component> - Airbag data



		JO <id> <component> - Joint data
		SEC <id> <component> - Section data
		SU <id> <component> - Subsystem data
		P_G <id> <component> - Part Group data
		G_C <id> <component> - Geometrical Contact data
		RI <id> <component> - Rigid Body data
		SPO <id> <component> - Spotweld data
		SPC <id> <component> - SPC data
		FS <id> <component> - Fluid structural interaction data
		BO <id> <component> - Boundary condition data
		SPH <id> <component> - SPH data
		SE - Select Models
		DE - Delete Models
RE - Read data	LI - List Models	
	SU - Set Surface	
	CU - Read T/HIS curve file	
	CU_NO - Read T/HIS curve file (ignore any style definitions)	
	BD - Read Bulk data file	
	KW - Read from Ansys LS-DYNA KEYWORD input file	
	KY - Input curve from keyboard	
	CSV - Read a CSV file (X,Y,X,Y,X,Y)	
	CSV2 - Read a CSV file (X,Y, Y,Y,Y,Y)	
WR - Write options	ISO - Read ISO curve data (multiple channels)	
	ISO2 - Read ISO curve data (single channel)	
	WR - Write curve file	
	WA - Write all curves to a T/HIS curve file	



	KEY - Write curves to a Ansys LS-DYNA Keyword file	
	CSV - Write curves to a CSV file (X,Y,X,Y,X,Y)	
	CSV2 - Write curves to a CSV file (X,Y, Y,Y,Y,Y)	
	LI - List curve data on screen	
	RE - Report curve data to file	
	SU - Sumary of curve	
	ST - Status	
DE - Defaults	AU - Auto Scaling	ON - Autoscaling on
		OFF - Autoscaling off
		DX - Define new x limits (minimum,maximum)
		XMN - Define new minimum x limit
		XXM - Define new maximum x limit
		DY - Define new y limit (min,max)
		YMN - Define new minimum y limit
		YMX - Define new maximun y limit
		2DY - Define new second y axis limits (min,max)
		YMN2 - Define new minimum second y limit
		YMX2 - Define new maximum second y limit
		ST - Status
	TI - Title	
	TI_ON - Toggle Title on	
	TI_OFF - Toggle Title off	
	LA - Axes labels (user defined)	AU - Use automatic axes labels (both)
		AX - Use automatic x axis labels
		AY - Use automatic y axis labels
		2AY - Use automatic 2nd y axis labels



		DX - Define new x axis plot label
		DY - Define new y axis plot label
		2DY - Define new 2nd y axis plot label
		ST - Status
	AW - Axis line width	
	AX - Axis types	
	AC - Axis Colour	
	GR - Grid lines	ON - Turn grid on
		OFF - Turn grid off
		AX - Automatic x-axis grid intervals
		AY - Automatic y-axis grid intervals
		MX - Manual x-axis grid intervals
		MY - Manual y-axis grid intervals
		IX - Define x-axis grid intervals
		IY - Define y-axis grid intervals
		OX - Define x-axis grid offset
		OY - Define y-axis grid offset
		TH - Define grid line thickness
	GW - Grid width	
	UL - User Line	
	LL - Line labels	
	MP - Model Prefix	ON - Turn model prefix on
		OFF - Turn model prefix off
		AUTO - Add prefix if more than one model
	PR - Prefix Format	ID - Model ID
		DIR - Model directory
		THF - Root of THF filename
		USER - User defined
DE - Defaults (continued)	PF - Plot format	
	WX - Window size (x) "pixels"	



	WY - Window size (y) "pixels"
	RV - Reverse Foreground / Background
	FO - Foreground Colour
	BA - Background Colour
	CU - Curve through points ON/OFF
	SY - Symbols ON/OFF
	BD - Border ON/OFF
	BW - Border width
	BC - Border Colour
	LW - Default line width
	SMN - Show minimum value
	SMX - Show maximum value
	LXMN - Label x value at minimum
	LYMN - Label y value at minimum
	LXMX - Label x value at maximum
	LYMX - Label y value at maximum
	RE - Reset to defaults
	ST - Status
FO - Font	TI <size> <colour> - Title
	XL <size> <colour> - X Axis Label
	XU <size> <colour> - X Axis Units
	YL <size> <colour> - Y Axis Label
	YU <size> <colour> - Y Axis Units
	Y2L <size> <colour> - 2nd Y Axis Label
	Y2U <size> <colour> - 2nd Y Axis Units
	LE <size> <colour> - Curve Legend
	ALL <size> <colour> - All labels
ED <curve ID> - Edit option	F - move Forward next 16 lines
	B - move Back 16 lines
	T - move to Top of curve
	E - move to End of curve
	n(umber) - move to line n
	C n - Change line n
	I n - Insert before line n
	A n - Append after line n



	D n1 n2 - Delete from line n1 to n2
	L - change Line label
	R - Reset edited curve back to original
	W or S - write curve
	PE - Plot Edited curve
	PA - Plot Edited And original curve
	PL - PLOt stored T/HIS curves
	Q - Quit the editor
OP - Operate	ADX/Y - Add
	MUX/Y - Multiply
	SUX/Y - Subtract
	DIX/Y - Divide
	CAT - Concatenate 2 curves
	MAP - Map one curve onto another
	COM - Combine curves
	ERR - Error functions
	INT - Integrate
	DIF - Differentiate
	SMO - Smooth
	LSQ - Least squares fit
	SQR - Square root
	NOR - Normalise
	REC - Reciprocal
	ABS - Absolute values
	TRA - Translate
	REV - Reverse
	CLP - Clip
	ZERO - Translate the curve to (0,0)
	ORDER - Reverse the order of the curve points
	VEC - Vector magnitude
	VEC2 - Vector Magnitude (2D)
	SUM - Sum of 'n' curves
	ENV - Envelope of 'n' curves
	MIN - Minimum of 'n' curves
	MAX - Maximum of 'n' curves



	AVE - Average of 'n' curves
	R-AV - Rolling Average of 'n' curves
	STR - Convert stress/strain curve
AM - Automotive options	C60 - Class 60 filter
	C180 - Class 180 filter
	C600 - Class 600 filter
	C1000 - Class 100 filter
	BUT - Butterworth filter
	FIR - FIR filter
	HIC - HIC value
	HICD - HIC(d) value
	CLI - 3ms Clip value
	EXC - Exceedence Plot
	VC - Viscous Criteria (ECER95)
	VC2 - Viscous Criteria (IIHS)
	ASI - Acceleration Severity Index (BS EN 1317-1:1998)
	ASI2 - Acceleration Severity Index (BS EN 1317-1:2010)
	THIV - Theoretical Head Impact Velocity
	NIJ - Neck Injury
	TTI - Thoracic Trauma Index
	NOR - Normalise
	REG - Regularise
	VEC - Vector Magnitude
	VEC2 - Vector Magnitude (2D)
	ACU - Airbag Control Unit
	OLC - Occupant Load Criterion
	TI - Tibia Index
	DMG - Damage operation
MA - Maths operations	SQRT - Square Root
	LOG - Natural Log
	EXP - e to power of
	LOG10 - Log to base 10
	** - To raise to power
	SIN - Sine



	COS - Cosine
	TAN - Tangent
	ASIN - Arc sine
	ACOS - Arc cosine
	ATAN - Arc tangent
SE - Seismic options	DV - Displacement to velocity spectra
	DA - Displacement to acceleration spectra
	VD - Velocity to displacement spectra
	VA - Velocity to acceleration spectra
	AD - Acceleration to displacement spectra
	AV - Acceleration to velocity spectra
	DS - Produce a design spectrum from a response spectrum
	RS - Produce response spectra from input accelerations
	FFT - Fast fourier transformation
UT - Utility functions	CL - Colour laser output
	GL - Greyscale laser output
	LW - Line width
	SA - Solid axes (x=0 & y=0 axes solid)
ST - Line styles	RE - Read in style file
	WR - Write out style file
	DE - Reset styles to default settings
	SET - Set a T/HIS line style
	FIX - Turn fix line styles on/off
HE - Help	
CU - Curve editing options	LA - Set a new curve label
	TI - Set a new curve title
	XL - Set a new curve x-axis label
	YL - Set a new curve y-axis label
	TA - Set a new curve tag
PGR or GRO - Group options	READ - Read a PART group file
	LIST - List all PART groups
	DELETE - Delete all PART groups
	CREATE - Create a new PART group
CGR - Group options	CREATE - Create a curve group
	LIST - List all curve groups



	ADD - Add to an existing curve group
	REMOVE - Remove from an existing curve group
IM - Image output options	JPEG <file> - Capture a JPEG image
	BMP_U <file> - Capture an uncompressed Bitmap image
	BMP_C <file> - Capture a compressed Bitmap image
	PPM <file> - Capture a portable pixmap file
PREF - Define T/HIS user preferences	REG - Set time interval for automatic curve regularising
	CONV - Set/unset automatic conversion from ms to s when filtering
	FILE - Turn on/off output of injury criteria values and error calculations to ASCII files
	SHOW - Turn on/off display of HIC/ 3ms clip values
	ZERO - Turn on/off automatic creation of (0,0) point when reading data from ASCII files
GRAPH - Graphics window commands for linked T/HIS	TI_ON - Turns the Timeline on
	TI_OFF - Turns the Timeline off
	EXIT - Closes the T/HIS link



17. Installation Organisation

Installation organisation

Oasys LS-DYNA Environment 23.0 installation can be customised to try and avoid a number of issues that often occur in large organisations with many users.

- Large organisations generally imply large networks, and it is often the case that the performance of these networks can be intermittent or poor, therefore it is common practice to perform an installation of the software on the local disk of each machine, rather than having a single installation on a remote disk.

This avoids the pauses and glitches that can occur when running executable files over a network, but it also means that all the configuration files in, or depending upon, the top level "Admin" directory have to be copied to all machines and, more to the point, any changes or additions to such files also have to be copied to all machines.

- In larger organisations the "one person per computer" philosophy may not apply, with the consequence that users will tend to have a floating home area on a network drive and may not use the same machine every day.

This is not usually a problem on Linux where the "home" directory is tied to the login name not the machine. However on Windows platforms it means that %USERPROFILE%, which is typically on the local C drive of a machine, is not a good place to consider as "home" since it will be tied to a given computer, therefore a user who saves a file in their home directory on machine A may not be able to access it from machine B.

- In a similar vein placing large temporary files on the /tmp partition (Linux) or the C: drive (Windows) may result in local disks becoming too full, or quotas exceeded.

This section gives only a brief summary of the installation organisation, and you should refer to the separate Installation Guide if you want to find out more about the details of installation, licensing, and other related issues.



17.1. Oasys Suite 23.0 Installation Structure

Oasys Suite 23.0 Installation structure

In Oasys Suite 23.0 the option is provided to separate a top-level 'administration' directory from the 'installation' one where the executables are located.

For large installations on many machines this allows central configuration and administration files to exist in one place only, but executables to be installed locally on users' machines to give better performance. Oasys Suite 23.0 also allows the following items to be configured

- The location for user manuals and other documentation.
- The definition of a user's home directory.
- The definition of the temporary directory for scratch files.

In addition parsing of the 'oa_pref' (preferences) file will now handle environment variables, so that a generic preference can be configured to give a user-specific result, and preferences may be 'locked' so that those set at the administration level cannot be changed by users.

These changes are entirely optional, and users performing a simple installation on a single machine do not need to make any changes to their existing installation practice.

Directory	Status	Directory Content and purpose	oa_pref file option
OA_ADMIN_XX	<i>Optional</i>	Top level configuration files. (xx =23 for Oasys Suite 23.0, thus OA_ADMIN_23) Admin level oa_pref file Other configuration files Timeout configuration file	
OA_ADMIN	<i>Optional</i>	Same as OA_ADMIN_23 , provided for backwards compatibility with earlier releases. It is recommended that plain OA_ADMIN , without the _xx version suffix, is not used since otherwise there is no easy way of distinguishing between parallel installations of different releases of Oasys LS-DYNA Environment in an	



		installation. <i>If OA_ADMIN_23 is not defined then this non-release specific version is checked.</i>	
OA_INSTALL_XX	Optional	(XX = 23 for release 23.0, thus OA_ADMIN_23 All executables Installation level oa_pref file	oasys*install_dir: <pathname>
OA_INSTALL	Optional	Same as OA_INSTALL_23. If no "OA_ADMIN_XX" directory is used and all software is simply placed in this "install" directory, which would be typical of a single-user installation, then it is recommended that the _XX version suffix is used in order to keep parallel installations of different releases of the Oasts Ltd software separate on the machine. <i>If OA_INSTALL_23 is not defined then this non-release specific version is checked</i>	oasys*install_dir: <pathname>
OA_MANUALS	Optional	Specific directory for user manuals. If not defined then will search in: OA_ADMIN_XX/manuals (XX = major version number) OA_INSTALL/manuals	oasys*manuals_dir: <pathname>
OA_HOME	Optional	Specific "home" directory for user when using Oasys LS-DYNA Environment. If not defined will use: \$HOME (Linux) %USERPROFILE% (Windows)	oasys*home_dir: <pathname>
OA_TEMP	Optional	Specific "temporary" directory for user when using Oasys LS-DYNA Environment. If not defined will use: P_tmpdir (Linux, typically /tmp) %TEMP% (Windows, typically C:\temp)	oasys*temp_dir: <pathname>



It will be clear from the table above that no Environment variables have to be set, and that all defaults will revert to pre-version 9.4 behaviour. In other words users wishing to keep the status quo will find behaviour and layout unchanged if they do nothing.

OA_INSTALL_XX

Previously the software used the **OA_INSTALL** (renamed from **OASYS**) environment variable to locate the directory the software was installed in.

- On Windows this is no longer required as the software can work out its own installation directory. As this environment variable is no longer required it is recommended that it is removed from machines it is currently set on as in some cases where more than one version has been installed in different directories it can cause problems.
- On LINUX systems the "oasys_23" script that starts the SHELL automatically sets this Environment Variable and passes it to any application started from the SHELL. If you run applications directly from the command line and bypass the SHELL then you should set **OA_INSTALL_XX** so that the software can locate manuals and other required files.

OA_ADMIN_XX

Users wishing to separate configuration and installation directories will be able to do so by making use of the new top level **OA_ADMIN_XX** directory.



17.1.1. Installation Examples

Installation Examples

The following diagrams illustrate how the installation might be organised in various different scenarios..

a) Single user installation on one machine

There is no need to worry about separating administration and installation directories, and the default installation of all files in and below the single installation directory will suffice.

It is suggested that the **_xx** version suffix of **OA_INSTALL_xx** is used in order to keep parallel installations of different releases of the Oassys Ltd software separate on the machine.

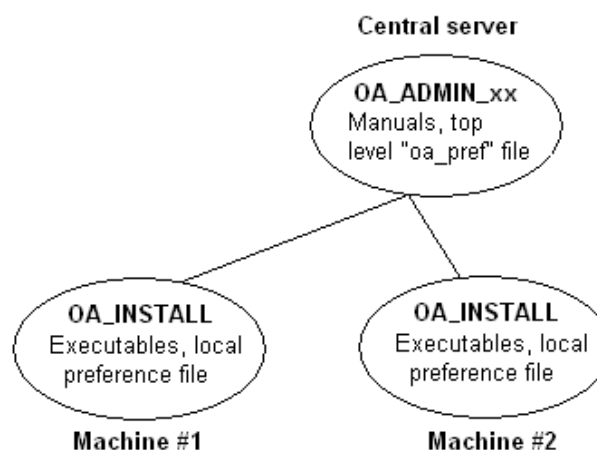


b) A few machines on a small network, each user has their own machine

The top level administration directory can be installed on a network server, possibly also locating the manuals centrally.

Each user's machine has its own 'installation' directory to give good performance, but there is no need to manage home or temporary directories centrally since each user 'owns' their machine.

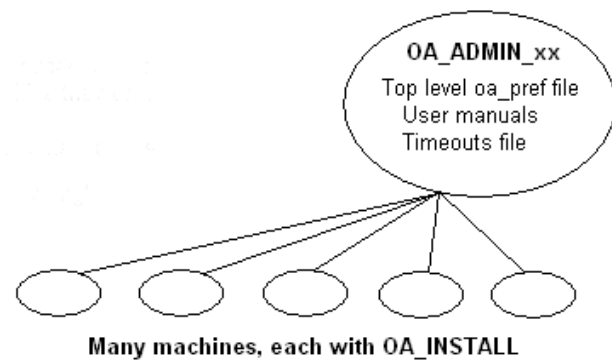
If network performance is good an alternative would be to install executables on the central server, meaning that local OA_INSTALL directories are not required.



c) Large corporate network



There is no need to worry about separating administration and installation directories, and the default installation of all files in and below the single installation directory will suffice.





17.1.2. Dynamic Configuration Using the Top Level oa_pref File

Dynamic configuration using the top level oa_pref file.

A further improvement is that all environment variables below **OA_ADMIN_xx** may either be set explicitly, or dynamically using the options in the oa_pref file at the top **OA_ADMIN_xx** level. This permits parallel installations of different versions of the software to co-exist, with only the top level administration directory names being distinct. For example:

Oasys Suite 23.0	Oasys Suite 23.1
Top level directory OA_ADMIN_23	Top level directory OA_ADMIN_231
oa_pref file in OA_ADMIN_23 contains: oasys*install_dir: <i><pathname for 23.0 installation></i> oasys*manuals_dir: <i><pathname for 23.0 manuals></i> oasys*home_dir: <i><pathname for home directory></i> oasys*temp_dir: <i><pathname for temporary files></i>	oa_pref file in OA_ADMIN_231 contains: oasys*install_dir: <i><pathname for 23.1 installation></i> oasys*manuals_dir: <i><pathname for 23.1 manuals></i> } would almost certainly be unchanged between major } versions, although they could be different if desired
Pathnames in the oa_pref file may contain environment variables which will be resolved before being applied.	



17.1.3. The Hierarchy of oa_pref File Reading

The hierarchy of oa_pref file reading

It will be clear from the above that in a large installation the "oa_pref" files have a significant role. Each piece of software reads them in the following order:

OA_ADMIN_xx	Top level configuration
OA_INSTALL_xx	Installation level
OA_HOME	User's personal "home" file
Current working directory	File specific to the current directory (rarely used)

The rules for reading these files are:

- If a given directory does not exist, or no file is found in that directory, then no action is taken. This is not an error.
- A more recently read definition supersedes one read earlier, therefore "local" definitions can supersede "global" ones (unless it was locked).
- If two of more of the directories in the table above are the same then that file is only read once from the first instance.



17.1.4. Locking Preference Options

Locking Preference Options

From version 9.4 onwards, preference options can be locked. If a preference option is locked in a file then that preference option will be ignored in any of the subsequent preference files that are read.

Therefore by locking a preference in a top-level file in the hierarchy above, eg in `OA_ADMIN_xx`, and then protecting that file to be read-only, an administrator can set preferences that cannot be altered by users since any definitions of that preference in their private `oa_pref` files will be ignored.

Preferences are locked by using a hash (#) rather than an asterisk (*) between the code name and the preference string. For example:

<code>*maximise: true</code>	Normal case using "*", means an unlocked preference
<code>#maximise: true</code>	Locked case using "#"

These changes may be made either by editing the file manually, or by using the preferences editor.



18. Placement of master window

Placement: where the master window is mapped on the desktop

Most CAE users will have more than one monitor on their desktop, or they may be working on a laptop with additional displays attached. Historically the Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software has always started on the main (primary) display and the existing "placement" preference has allowed a sub-area of that display to be used. However, more options are available:

- On a multi-monitor desktop it is possible to designate the monitor on which the software starts, this does not have to be the main display.
- On a single monitor desktop the original logic of partitioning the area of the single main window is still used.
- On "ultra wide" desktops, typically the case when display is made from Linux to a multi-monitor Windows desktop, an attempt is made to use the correct monitor.

Default, if no placement is defined

The default behaviour when no explicit placement preference is defined is to create the master window maximised in the main display on the desktop.

The "placement" preference

This is a standard preference, located in the oa_pref file, that can be defined for all the Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software or separately for individual programmes:

Prefix	Application
oasys *placement:	Applies to all the software
primer *placement d3plot *placement <i>etc</i>	Applies only to PRIMER Applies only to D3PLOT <i>etc</i>



The value of the preference is a combination, effectively a logical OR, of one or more of the following:

Horizontal placement	LEFT	CENTRE	RIGHT
Vertical placement	TOP	MIDDLE	BOTTOM

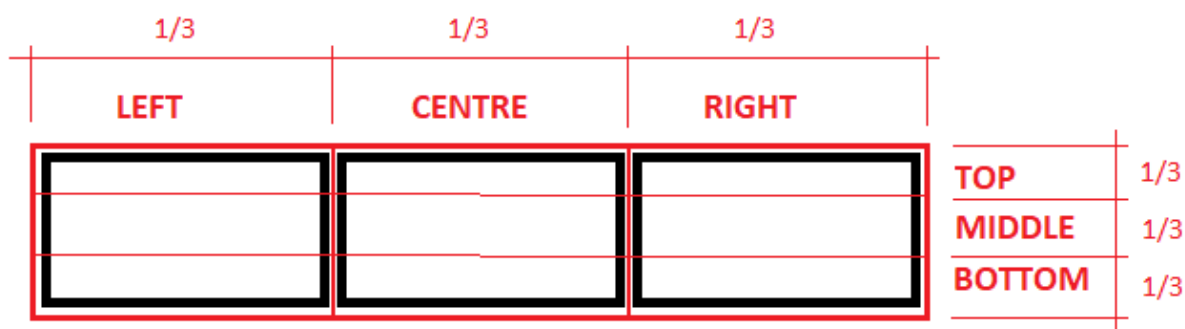
These can be combined, separating them with underscore "_" characters, for example:

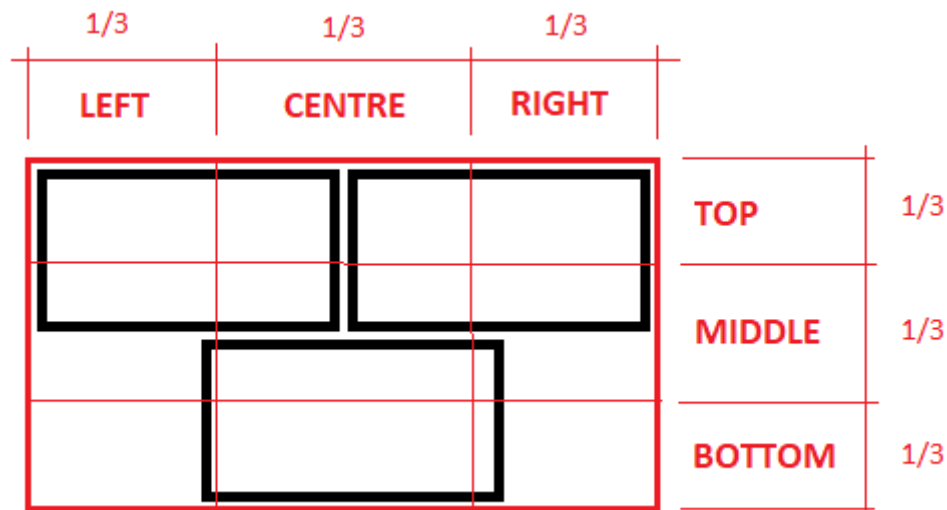
oasys*placement: **LEFT_TOP** would locate the window in the top left monitor of a multi row and column display matrix.

How the monitor is chosen

In order to decide which monitor to use the bounding box around the monitors on the desktop, in pixel space, is divided into a 3x3 matrix. For example the two layouts below are divided as follows.

- The black rectangles are the monitors.
- The outer red rectangle is the bounding box
- The thin red lines show the sub-division into the 3x3 matrix





In each case the monitor used is the one whose centroid is closest to the centre of the designated left / centre / right and top / middle / bottom sub-area. If a vertical or horizontal placement is not given (e.g. just LEFT or just TOP) then the centre dimension of the missing axis is used.

The window will not span multiple monitors.

If there is only a single monitor on the desktop

The relevant sub-area of the monitor will be used

- Left will occupy the left hand half;
- Right will occupy the right hand half;
- Centre will use the middle half.

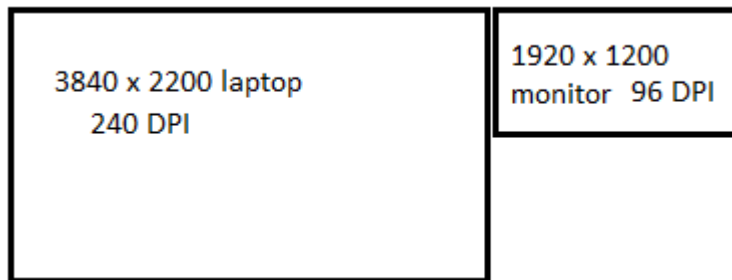
In the particular case of an X11 emulator on a Windows desktop with multiple displays

It will depend on the emulator, but typically they present a single virtual display to the Linux client which spans the whole desktop with no distinction between monitors. If the aspect ratio of this display is determined to be "ultra wide", that is wider than two 16:9 monitors, then it is presumed that three monitors are being used and the layout will be treated like the top image above.



Monitors with different resolutions making up a desktop

It is not unusual to have displays with different resolutions making up a desktop. For example a 15" laptop running at 3840 x 2200 and 250% scaling, with a 24" monitor running at 1920x1200 and 100% scaling next to it, will actually look something like this in pixel space:



It is **pixel** space that matters, not the physical dimensions of the display. In the example above the laptop will be running at 240 dots per inch (DPI) whereas the monitor will be running at 96 DPI, so even though the 24" monitor is physically larger it has fewer pixels than the 15" laptop. Remember that the bounding box, the red outer rectangle in the images above, is based on pixel space and not physical space.



19. Emailing Crash Dumps to Support

Emailing Crash Dumps to Support

This feature is only available on Windows platforms

Obviously we prefer our software not to crash, but if it does we want to know why, so that we can fix it in the future and – if possible – suggest workarounds for users. On Windows platforms, a crash will usually produce a small dump file which, if sent to Oasys Ltd Support, can sometimes be deconstructed to work out what went wrong.

Historically this relied on the user finding the dump file on their system, then sending it manually with a covering email. This was difficult and time-consuming, so Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software can now be configured to collect that file and create the email automatically. It must be stressed that this email is **never** sent automatically – that is always under the control of the user – and this feature can be turned off. This section describes the process in more detail and also explains how to customise the handling of crashes.

What is a dump (.dmp) file?

This is a small file (usually around 50 kB), which contains information about the "stack frame" of the software at the time of the crash. It is produced by standard Windows utilities – in fact this is the file that would normally be sent to Microsoft following a crash if their standard crash post-mortem process were used.

It contains:

- A stack trace: the hierarchical list of "what function called what" i.e. where in the software the crash occurred.
- Very limited information about variables in use at the time of the crash.

It does **not** contain:

- Any significant information about the model being processed.
- Any information about historical operations – it is "instantaneous", containing only what was happening at the time of the crash.

There is absolutely no way that Oasys Ltd or anyone else could use it to reverse-engineer your model data in anything other than the most general terms. For example, we might be able to deduce that you were using a spot-weld tool at the time of the crash and therefore that your model contained connections, but we could not learn anything about its size, content, geometry, material properties or any quantitative information.

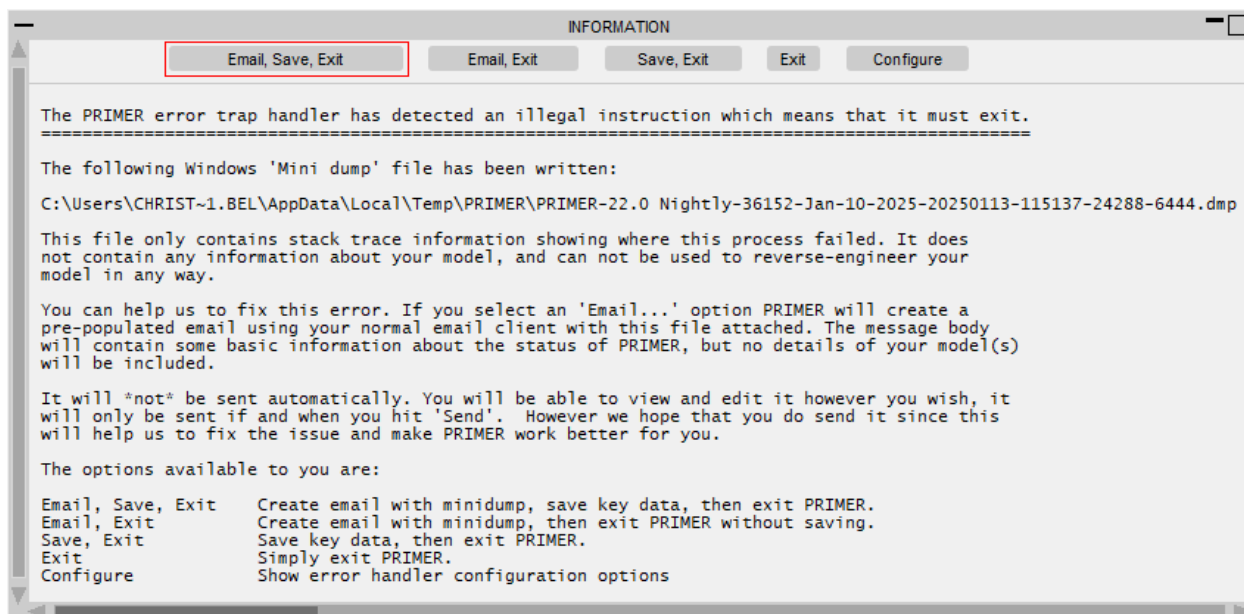


If you send us these files it helps us to help you. Sometimes we can diagnose the reason for a crash and suggest ways around it, this also allows us to fix problems in future releases. This isn't always possible, they can be very opaque at times, but they are by far the best tool we have for diagnosing problems.

The default process for handling a crash in an interactive session

i This is not the default behaviour for users in Japan, see "[Special configuration in some geographies](#)" below.

Following a crash, you will see this message (*this example shows PRIMER; the behaviour is the same for all Oasys LS-DYNA Environment products*).



If you choose one of the **Email** options an email like the following will be created in your default email client. This example uses Microsoft Outlook but if different software is installed that will be used instead.



Send

To

Dyna Support <dyna.support@arup.com>

Cc

Subject

PRIMER Crash dump

General

PRIMER-22.0 Nightly-36152-Jan-10-2025-20250113-115137-24288-6444.dmp 426 KB

PRIMER exited with a minidump file (attached)

PRIMER version: 22.0 Nightly
PRIMER build: 36152
Date: 13/01/2025
Time: 11:58

NOTE TO SENDER: Please write below any additional information that could help
===== us to reproduce and fix the issue. For example:

- What have you been doing during this PRIMER session?
- How many models were open across how many windows?
- Which tools were you using at the time the problem occurred?
- ... anything else you think may be relevant

Your comments: (use as many lines as you like)

----- Stack trace (22 entries)-----
21: create_email_body - 0x7FF6BD9CDDE0
20: generate_email - 0x7FF6BD9CCCE0
19: cd_exception_handler - 0x7FF6BD9C6AC0
18: db_init_error_handler - 0x7FF6BB36CE10

Note that the dump file is attached automatically to the email, and it may also contain a Stack trace containing information about the stack frame.

You can add any comments you like to the email, possibly add other attachments, then send it in the normal way using **Send**. This will send it to the normal dyna.support@arup.com email address we use to handle support requests.

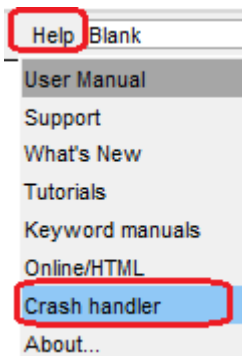
The email will never be sent automatically. If you close the email without sending it, it will remain in your drafts folder until deleted.

Configuring the crash handler

All aspects of the crash handler can be configured via preferences stored in the oa_pref file, but much the easiest way to do this is to use the interactive configuration GUI built into the software.



In all programmes other than Oasys SHELL, selecting [Help](#) → [Crash handler](#) will launch the configuration panel:



In Oasys SHELL, this is launched from [Utilities](#) → [Crash Handling](#):

Crash handling and configuration

Save to oa_pref Reset all Help

Action to be taken after a crash

☒ Minidump file and exit Create a minidump file, optionally email to Support for debugging, optionally save key data then terminate session.

☐ Trap and continue Trap the error, optionally save key data, try to continue execution. No debugging information is saved.

☐ Trace and exit Generate a traceback if the system supports this, terminate execution; no data is saved. (Always used in batch mode.)

☐ No action Normal windows behaviour: job terminates, no data is saved and no debugging information is generated.

Preference files to update

☐ ADMIN directory ☐ Lock at ADMIN level

☐ INSTALL directory ☐ Lock at INSTALL level

☒ User's HOME directory

Code(s) to configure

☐ All Oasys LS-DYNA Environment products

☒ PRIMER ☐ D3PLOT ☐ T/HIS ☐ REPORTER ☐ SHELL

Minidump files

☒ Save minidump files

☒ Default

☐ User-def: <not defined>

Feedback email details

☒ Compose emails Test email

To address: dyna.support@arup.com

Cc address(es):

Email method

☒ Best effort

☐ Default client

☐ Outlook CLI C:\Program Files\Microsoft Office\root\Office16\OUTLOOK.EXE

☐ URL mailto:

☐ Custom method: <not defined>

Taking each section of this panel in turn:

Action to be taken after a crash



Action to be taken after a crash	
☒ Minidump file and exit	Create a minidump file, optionally email to Oasys Ltd for debugging, optionally save key data then terminate session.
☐ Trap and continue	Trap the error, optionally save key data, try to continue execution. No debugging information is saved.
☐ Trace and exit	Generate a traceback if the system supports this, terminate execution; no data is saved. (Always used in batch mode.)
☐ No action	Normal windows behaviour: job terminates, no data is saved and no debugging information is generated.

For interactive usage:

- The first option, “Minidump file and exit”, is usually the best option. If you choose to save your data then you have a reasonable chance of recovering some of your work, and the minidump file may provide evidence for Oasys Ltd Support to debug the problem and suggest workarounds.
- “Trap and continue” is a possible alternative, especially if you don’t want to save debugging information, but it may not work if the cause of the crash was mangled data and a subsequent crash may be terminal.
- “Trace and exit” and “No action” are not usually good choices for interactive use on the desktop. Tracebacks on Windows (unlike Linux) do not usually give much information.

For batch usage, where there is no interactive user:

- “Trace and exit” is usually the best choice since it will leave some evidence in the log file. If the software is run with the “-batch” command-line argument it will use this method regardless of the option set here.

The default if no explicit setting is defined is “Minidump file and exit”. The next sections will show how the minidump file’s configuration can be set when this option is used.

Preference files to update

Preference files to update	
☐ ADMIN directory	☐ Lock at ADMIN level
☐ INSTALL directory	☐ Lock at INSTALL level
☒ User's HOME directory	



Preferences can be stored in oa_pref files at three levels:

OA_ADMIN	Administration level, optional. (Not used in this example)
OA_INSTALL	Installation level, where the software is installed
HOME	The user's home directory

If you wish to configure options for all users it is best to put them in the OA_INSTALL or OA_ADMIN levels since this will ensure uniformity. If these directories are write-protected, users will not be able to change them, and if you choose to “lock” the preferences stored within them users will not be able to override these with locally set preferences in the HOME directory.

Unlocked preferences use a “*” between code name and preference, locked preferences use a “#”. For example:

```
oasys*some_preference:    value           is an unlocked preference
oasys#something_else:     value           is a locked preference
```

Codes to configure

It is possible that you will want the same crash handling behaviour for all programs. This is achieved using the “oasys” prefix – for example:

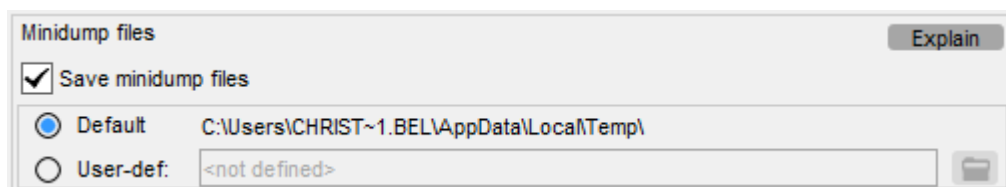
```
oasys*some_preference:    value
```

You can set preferences for individual programs – for example:

```
primer*some_preference:   value
```

by unticking “All Oasys LS-DYNA Environment products” and ticking only those programs you wish to configure.

Minidump files



Minidump files contain debug information about the code when it crashed. They do not contain any information about the model and cannot be used to reverse-engineer models in any way. If you send them to Oasys Ltd Support they may be able to tell what caused the crash, but this is not guaranteed – sometimes they are very opaque. However, any information is useful when trying to debug crashes, so if you send them to us it helps us to help you.



You can choose whether or not to save them, also where to save them. The default location is the standard Windows temporary directory, typically [C:\users\username\AppData\local\temp](#). By default, Windows Explorer treats this as a “hidden” directory which can make it hard for users to find, so if you want to collect these files you can choose somewhere else.

If you do choose an alternative location, remember that it must be writeable by an unprivileged user. If you want to use a generic location for many different users you can use environment variables, for example %USERPROFILE%\crash_dumps defines location c:\username\crash_dumps.

Feedback email details

Firstly you need to decide whether or not you want to compose emails automatically.

It may be corporate policy not to permit users to send emails containing sensitive information in which case if you untick “Compose emails” they will not be created and you can ignore the rest of this section. Following a crash, the user will not be shown the option to send an email.

If you do choose to send emails, you can configure the following:

- The “To:” address. This is required.

By default, this will be [dyna.support@arup.com](#), but if you would rather collect emails internally, you can replace this with some other address. You can only have a single address in this data field.

- “Cc” address(es). These are optional.

If you want to send copies of the email to other addresses, enter them here.



Multiple addresses should be separated by semi-colons, for example "mary.doe@wood.com; an.other@somewhere.com".

- The email sending method.

In order to give users the choice about whether or not to send an email, complete control over its contents and also the ability to add further information, Oasys LS-DYNA Environment software attempts to use the default email client on the user's system. It does not send emails (or any other data) automatically.

The majority of Windows email clients conform to Microsoft's internal protocols meaning that the default method should work, but this is not guaranteed. Therefore the software carries out the following process when using its default "Best effort" option:

- (1) It tries using the standard Microsoft protocol to run the default email client *if that fails*
- (2) It tries to use Microsoft Outlook if that is present on the system *if that fails*
- (3) It tries to use URL mailto: (the way email links are processed from web pages).

The best approach is to use the **Test Email** button to try the currently selected method. If, after a few seconds delay, you see the test email shown below then it is working correctly and configuration is complete.

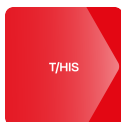
You can send the test email if you wish. If you want acknowledgement from Oasys Ltd that it has been received, please request this in the email body, otherwise it will be ignored.

The screenshot shows an email composition interface. At the top left is a 'Send' button with a paper plane icon. To its right are fields for 'To' and 'Cc'. The 'To' field contains 'Dyna Support <dyna.support@arup.com>'. Below these is a 'Subject' field containing 'PRIMER Crash dump'. To the right of the subject field is a 'General' tab with a dropdown arrow. Below the subject field is an attachment bar showing 'test_attachment.txt 4 KB' with a dropdown arrow. The email body contains the following text:

This is a dummy email emulating what would happen if a code crashed.

Thank you for configuring this, sending us crash reports helps us to help you :-)

You can send this if you wish, if you would like to receive an acknowledgement that it has been received by the Oasys Ltd support team please request this below, otherwise it will be ignored.



If you see this email but it takes about one minute to appear, and you are using the default “Best effort” method, this suggests that the default email client has failed to work. The delay is because this has a time-out period of about one minute and it will have fallen back to one of the Outlook or URL mailto: methods. You can tell which method by inspecting whether or not it has the file `test_attachment.txt` attached: if it has then it has used Outlook, if not it has used URL mailto (the latter does not permit attachments). To avoid similar delays for users, please select the method it has actually used so that it will go directly to this.

If none of these methods work, please try to find out as much as possible about the email client installed on the machine and then contact Oasys Ltd for help.

Save this configuration

Save to oa_pref will save your selected configuration as preferences to the `oa_pref` files selected in the second step above.

Configuring Crash Handling manually using preferences

The GUI-based process in the previous section works by configuring and saving preferences. You can achieve the same results by setting the following preferences manually:

Preference	Purpose	Possible values (bold = default)
<code>cd_compose_email</code>	Whether or not to auto-compose and email	true or <i>false</i>
<code>cd_email_address</code>	The email “To” destination	dyna.support@arup.com <i>name@address</i>
<code>cd_cc_addresses</code>	Optional “Cc” addresses for the email.	One or more <i>name@address</i> values, separated by “;”
<code>cd_email_method</code>	The mechanism used to send the email	best_effort <i>system_default</i> <i>outlook_cli</i> <i>url_mailto</i>
<code>cd_minidump_file</code>	Whether or not to create a minidump file, and how it is processed.	<i>not_used</i> <i>saved_only</i>



		<i>emailed_only</i> saved_and_emailed
cd_dump_directory	Where to write the minidump file instead of the default.	Folder to which the user has write access

Preferences take the form `<code_name> <* or #> <preference_name> : <value>` where

code_name	Is oasys for all products primer, this, d3plot, shell, reporter for individual products
* or #	* is an unlocked preference # is a locked preference
preference_name	One of the names in the left hand column of the table above
value	One of the values in the right hand column of the table above

Preferences are stored in oa_pref files in any combination of the following locations

OA_ADMIN	Administration level
OA_INSTALL	Installation level, where the software is installed
HOME	The user's home directory

They are read in the order OA_ADMIN, OA_INSTALL, HOME.

A preference that is locked at one of these levels cannot be superseded by a different one at a lower level. For example locking a preference at the OA_INSTALL level (and write protecting that directory) means that a user cannot supersede it by defining it differently at the HOME level.

If, for example, you wanted to turn off and lock the composition of minidump emails for all users and all software you would define the preference

```
oasys#cd_compose_email: false
```

and save this in the OA_ADMIN and/or OA_INSTALL oa_pref files.

Special configuration in some geographies



The default configuration of crash handling depends on the geography as determined by the computer's "locale". In particular, email composition is turned off by default on computers with the Japanese "jp-JP" locale.

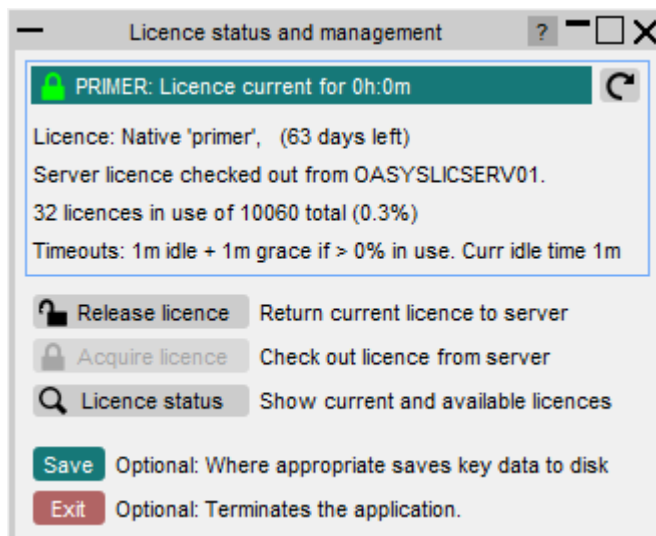
These defaults can be over-ridden by setting a different value; there is no restriction upon what can be set in a given locale.



20. Licence Manager

Licence Manager

Note: this section only applies when a server licence is being used. It is not applicable if you have a node-locked licence local to your machine.



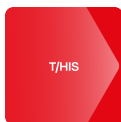
This feature permits more flexible management of the licensing process. It only applies to codes which require a licence to run: D3PLOT, PRIMER, T/HIS.

It performs three main functions:

- Showing status information about the current licence.
- Giving the ability to release a licence, suspending the process, and to re-acquire it to resume the process again.
- Showing information about overall licence usage by interrogating the licence server.

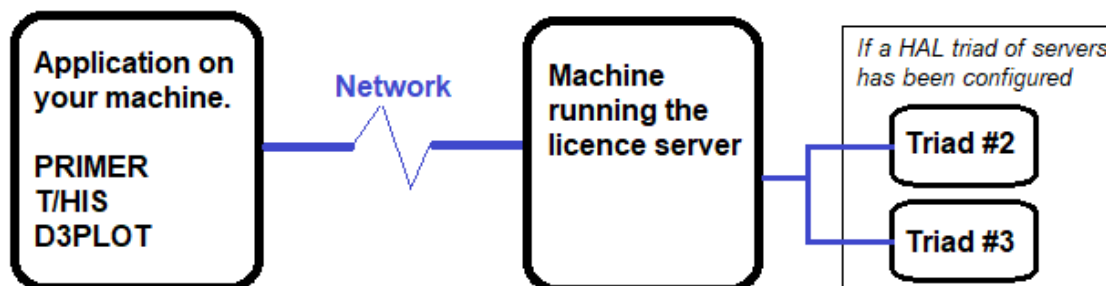
It is also used to manage the status of the process when a licence has been lost, which can occur in two ways:

- Timeouts have been configured and the process has been idle for too long.
- Connection with the licence server has been lost for too long.



A short tutorial on how network licensing works

This diagram shows how a licensed process communicates with a network licence server.



Your application will use the environment variable **ARUP_LICENSE_PATH** to define the server(s) it uses. This will be in the form

`<port>@<server name>`

For example:

6200@my_licence_server

If a High Available Licence (HAL) triad of servers is being used the syntax will be something like

6200@server1;6200@server2;6200@server3 (This is Windows syntax, on Linux use ":" rather than ";" between names)

Licensing relies on network connectivity between your machine and the server(s) being maintained.

When your application starts it requests a licence from the server.

If this request succeeds:

- The licence server records your usage, marking your licence as in use and removing it from the pool of free licences.

The request can fail for several reasons:

- The licence server finds that there are no licences available in the free pool.
- Some other criterion set up in the licence server to control licences rejects your application.



- The application cannot make contact with the licence server.

While your application is running it checks periodically that the licence is still valid.

A running application uses a "heartbeat" liaison with the licence server. This checks periodically that it can still contact the server on the network and that the licence is still valid. Oasys Ltd software permits applications to have a temporary loss of connectivity with the server for approximately 10 minutes after which they will go into a suspended state. In more detail:

If a periodic heartbeat check succeeds:

- The licence is valid, the application continues to run normally.

If a periodic heartbeat check fails a timer is started which measures the duration of failure.

- So long as this duration is below approximately 6 minutes no action is taken, the application runs normally.
- At ~6 minutes duration a warning message pops up informing the user, advising that any pending work is saved, the application runs normally. This warning is repeated periodically if failure persists.
- At approximately 10 minutes duration the process is suspended until connection is restored.

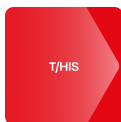
At some point in this process the licence server will revoke this application's licence and return it to the free pool making it available for other users.

If connection is restored the heartbeat will succeed and the application will try to resume its licence automatically.

- If this happens before the licence server has revoked this application's licence it will simply resume.
- If this happens after the licence server has revoked the licence this application will resume only if it can check out a fresh licence.

In practice this means that a brief loss of connectivity with the licence server will resume without problems, but a more prolonged loss may result in the licence being lost to another user if they check it out during your connection loss period. So long as there are free licences in the pool you will be able to check out a new one, but if there are none you will have to wait until one becomes available.

If the user releases the licence manually, or it is forcibly released by the "timeouts" process:

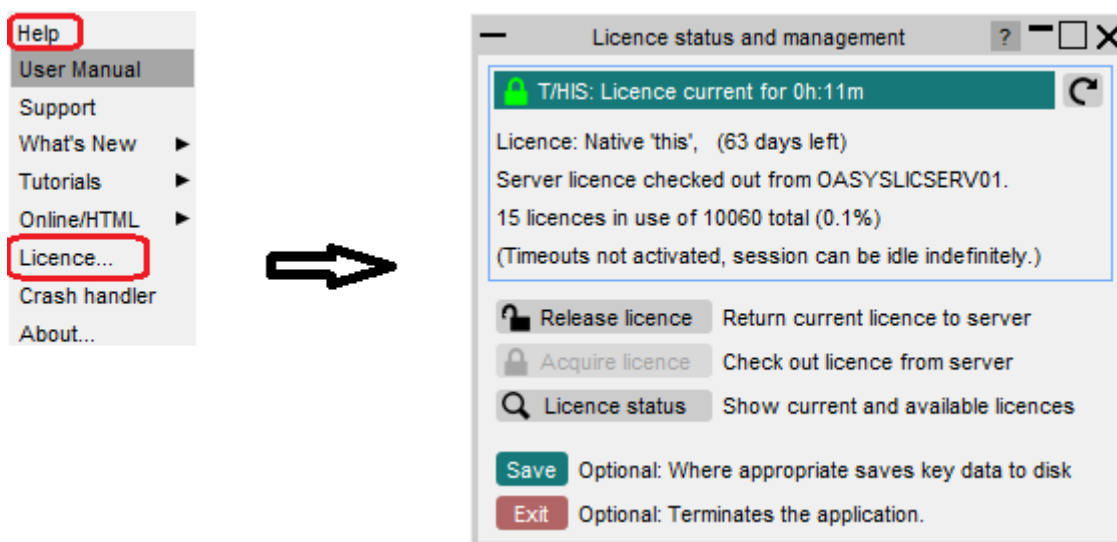


- The licence is returned to the server which adds it to the pool of free licences.
- The application continues to run but in a suspended state in which the GUI is frozen and no work can be done.

The user can use the licence manager to re-acquire a licence manually and continue working.

Showing current licence status of this process

When a process is running normally with a valid licence the licence manager can be shown by [\[Help\] Licence...](#)



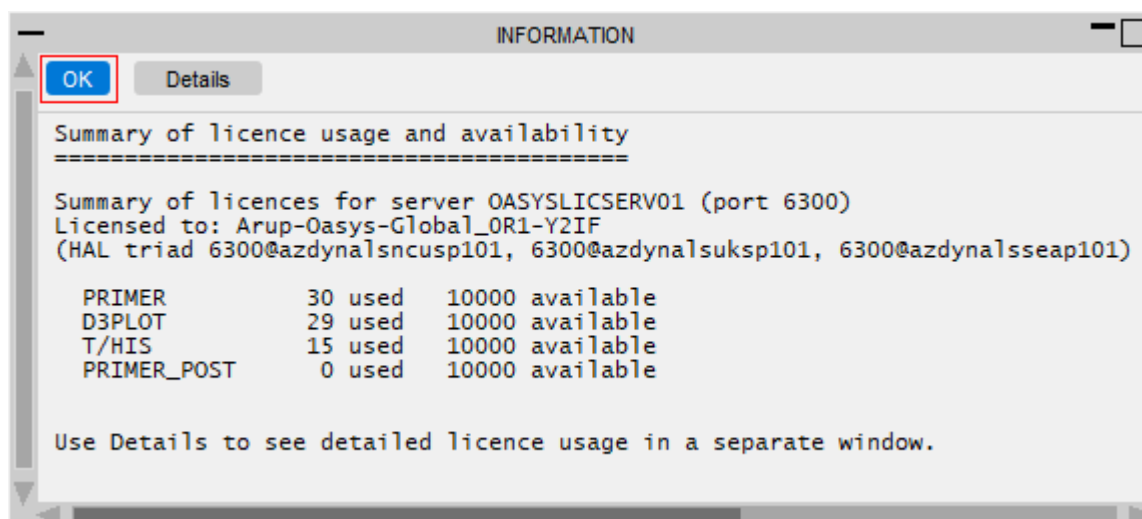
This example is from T/HIS, the layout for PRIMER and D3PLOT is the same.

The panel shows that the licence is current (green lock symbol) and summarises licence information:

- Licence type ("native" means the normal licence for this application)
- Where the licence was checked out from, here OASYSLICSERV01
- How many licences of this type are in use, and how many are available in total.
- Timeouts information if active, it is not configured in this example.

Licence status: obtaining more information about licence use and availability.

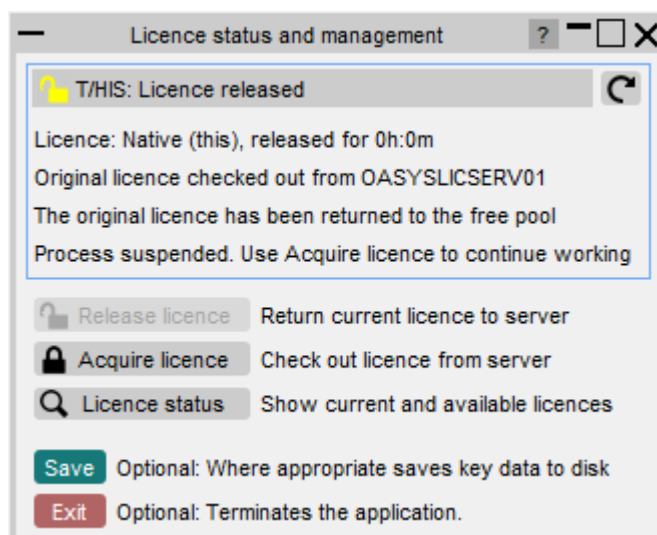
This will interrogate the licence server, which may take a few seconds, to obtain more information and give a listing like this:



The **Details** button can be used to obtain more detailed information about exactly who has checked out each licence from which machine. This runs the `lmxendutil` utility, provided as part of the Oasys Ltd installation, to provide the data in a separate terminal window.

Releasing and re-acquiring a licence manually

Release licence in this panel will return the current licence to the server which will add it to the free pool. The Licence Manager panel will then show the following state:



When a licence has been released in this way:

- The application will continue to run but in a suspended state. No data will be lost but no further work can be done.
- The Licence Manager panel will remain mapped and active since it is the only way of continuing to use the application.



The actions available to you when in this suspended state are:

Acquire licence attempts to check out a fresh licence from the server.

- If this succeeds the process will resume and you can work normally.
- If it fails because no licences are available it will retry every 30 seconds until it succeeds or the user exits.

Save writes key data to disk and continues to wait.

- "Key data" is application dependent. For PRIMER each model is written out, for other codes some configuration data is written.

Exit terminates the application immediately.

- On Windows platforms the MS-DOS terminal window will remain to show the status of the code when terminated.
- To exit normally, not leaving a terminal window. use the [X] button at the top right of the application window.

Timeouts: what happens when this process is idle for too long

Timeouts are optional, they are not configured by default. If configured a "timeouts" file in a protected directory give the following information for each code:

<code name> <idle time> <grace time> (<%age in use>)

For example:

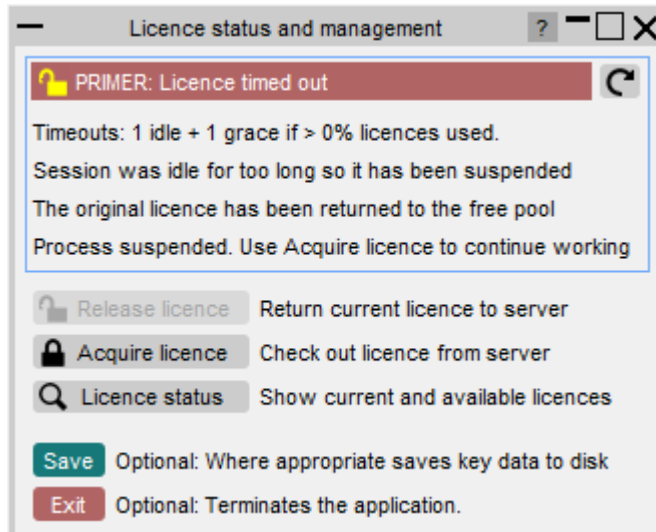
primer 30 5 75

This says that

- If a PRIMER session has been idle for 30 minutes
and
- The user has ignored the warning message for its 5 minute grace period
and
- 75% or more of PRIMER licences are in use

Then the licence will be returned to the server which will put it in the free pool and the PRIMER session will be suspended. For more information on configuring timeouts see the installation guide.

In this situation the Licence manager will be shown in a state like this:



(In this example the timeout values have been set to 1 minute idle and 1 minute grace to capture an example image quickly. Normal configuration would use longer times.)

In this situation:

- The process is suspended.
- This panel cannot be dismissed.
- To resume working the user will need to use **Acquire licence** as described above.

This situation is identical to that following manual release of the licence, it has just been arrived at in a different way.

Connection loss: what happens when connection with the licence server is lost

This might happen due to some sort of network failure, or because the licence server has stopped. Another common scenario is when a session is started on a laptop which is then disconnected from the network and moved to a different location where it is reconnected. No distinction is made between accidental and deliberate connection loss, both are handled in the same way.

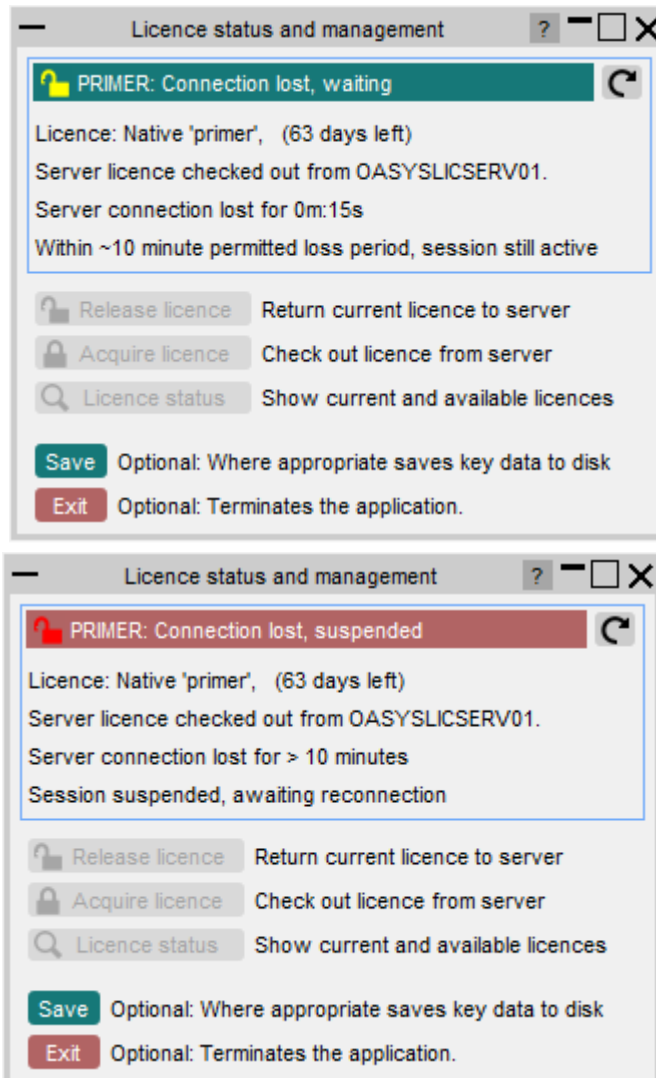
Connection loss is dealt with in three stages:

1. Up to 6 minutes of loss no action is taken, the process continues to run.
2. Between 6 and 10 minutes of loss the user receives periodic warnings, the process continues to run.
3. After approximately 10 minutes of loss the process is suspended.



If the Licence manager is mapped manually during stages #1 or #2 it will show this: will be suspended

If stage #3 is reached it will be showing this and the application



It is not possible to (re-)acquire a licence manually when connection with the server is lost, nor is it possible to query licence status.

The **Save** and **Exit** options can be used, and the process can be exited normally using the [X] at the top right corner of the window, but otherwise it will be necessary to wait for the server connection to be restored.

When connection is restored the application automatically attempts to resume its licence, or to check out a fresh licence if the server revoked the original one.

- If this succeeds the suspension is lifted, this Licence manager panel reverts to the "Current" (green) state and you can continue working.



The duration of connection loss is reset to zero, so any future loss starts again with a 10 minute allowance.

- If this fails the application remains suspended and the Licence manager attempts to check out a licence every 30 seconds.

The Licence manager panel will remain mapped in this situation, updating itself roughly every 30 seconds. The application will remain suspended.

Failure can occur if the licence server revoked this session's licence during the loss period, another user obtained it and there are no free licences in the pool. In this situation you will have to wait for a licence to become available. You can use **Licence status** to obtain a summary of licence availability, the **Details** button on that panel will show who has checked out licences.

Obtaining more information about licensing

It is not normally the case that a user of the software needs to know much about licensing, usually it is a topic for the installer and administrator of the software. The following resources give more information:

- The Installation Guide for the Oasys software suite. This may be found in the *installation_directory*/manuals/install
- Online documentation from X-Formation. Start with <https://docs.x-formation.com/display/LMX>

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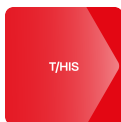
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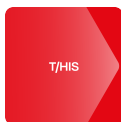
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21.1.5. FFmpeg

FFmpeg

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Specifically, the GPL parts of FFmpeg are:

- libpostproc
- optional x86 optimization in the files
 - `libavcodec/x86/flac\_dsp\_gpl.asm`
 - `libavcodec/x86/idct\_mmx.c`
 - `libavfilter/x86/vf\_removegrain.asm`
- the following building and testing tools
 - `compat/solaris/make\_sunver.pl`
 - `doc/t2h.pm`
 - `doc/txi2pod.pl`
 - `libswresample/tests/swresample.c`
 - `tests/checkasm/\*`
 - `tests/tiny\_ssim.c`
- the following filters in libavfilter:
 - `signature\_lookup.c`
 - `vf\_blackframe.c`
 - `vf\_boxblur.c`
 - `vf\_colormatrix.c`
 - `vf\_cover\_rect.c`
 - `vf\_cropdetect.c`
 - `vf\_delogo.c`
 - `vf\_eq.c`
 - `vf\_find\_rect.c`



- `vf\_fspp.c`
- `vf\_histeq.c`
- `vf\_hqdn3d.c`
- `vf\_kerndeint.c`
- `vf\_lensfun.c` (GPL version 3 or later)
- `vf\_mcdeint.c`
- `vf\_mpdecimate.c`
- `vf\_nnedi.c`
- `vf\_owdenoise.c`
- `vf\_perspective.c`
- `vf\_phase.c`
- `vf\_pp.c`
- `vf\_pp7.c`
- `vf\_pullup.c`
- `vf\_repeatfields.c`
- `vf\_sab.c`
- `vf\_signature.c`
- `vf\_smartblur.c`
- `vf\_spp.c`
- `vf\_stereo3d.c`
- `vf\_super2xsai.c`
- `vf\_tinterlace.c`
- `vf\_uspp.c`
- `vf\_vaguedenoiser.c`
- `vsrc\_mptestsrc.c`

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There are a handful of files under other licensing terms, namely:

- * The files `libavcodec/jfdctfst.c`, `libavcodec/jfdctint\_template.c` and `libavcodec/jrevdct.c` are taken from libjpeg, see the top of the files for licensing details. Specifically note that you must credit the IJG in the documentation accompanying your program if you only distribute executables.
- You must also indicate any changes including additions and deletions to those three files in the documentation.
- * `tests/reference.pnm` is under the expat license.

External libraries

FFmpeg can be combined with a number of external libraries, which sometimes



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Compatible libraries

The following libraries are under GPL version 2:

- avisynth
- frei0r
- libcdio
- libdavs2
- librubberband
- libvidstab
- libx264
- libx265
- libxavs
- libxavs2
- libxvid

When combining them with FFmpeg, FFmpeg needs to be licensed as GPL as well by passing `--enable-gpl` to configure.

The following libraries are under LGPL version 3:

- gmp
- libaribb24
- liblensfun

When combining them with FFmpeg, use the configure option `--enable-version3` to upgrade FFmpeg to the LGPL v3.

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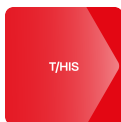
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Incompatible libraries

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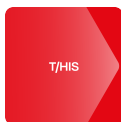
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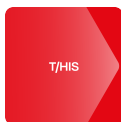
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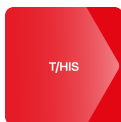
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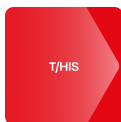
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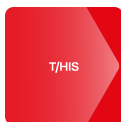
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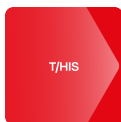
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