

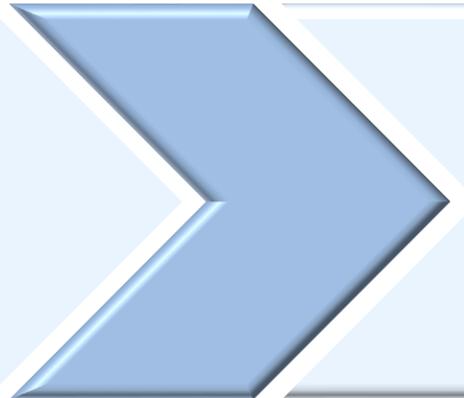
# Substructuring tools for effective pre- and post-processing

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### ▪ Why is there a need for substructuring?

Major bottlenecks in:

- **Crash simulations**
- **Optimization tasks**  
(iterative analyses)
- **Combination** of the above



**Computational time**



**Requirements for computational resources**



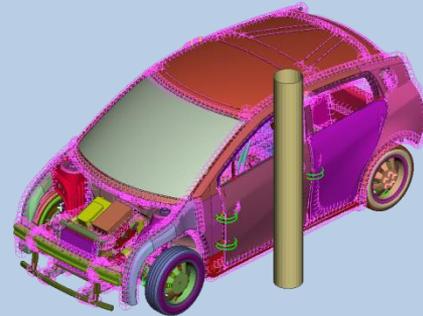
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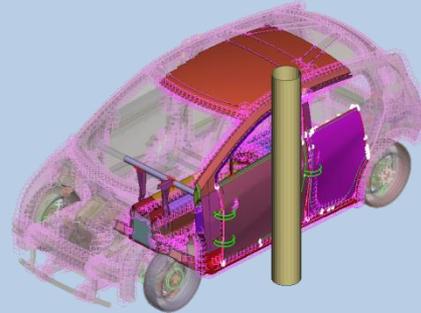
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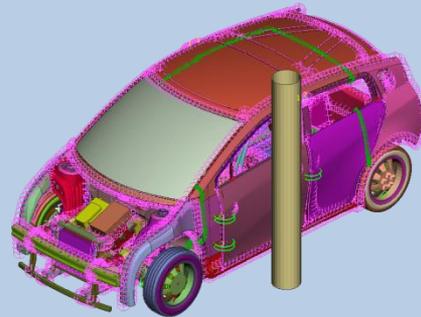
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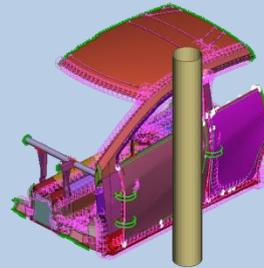
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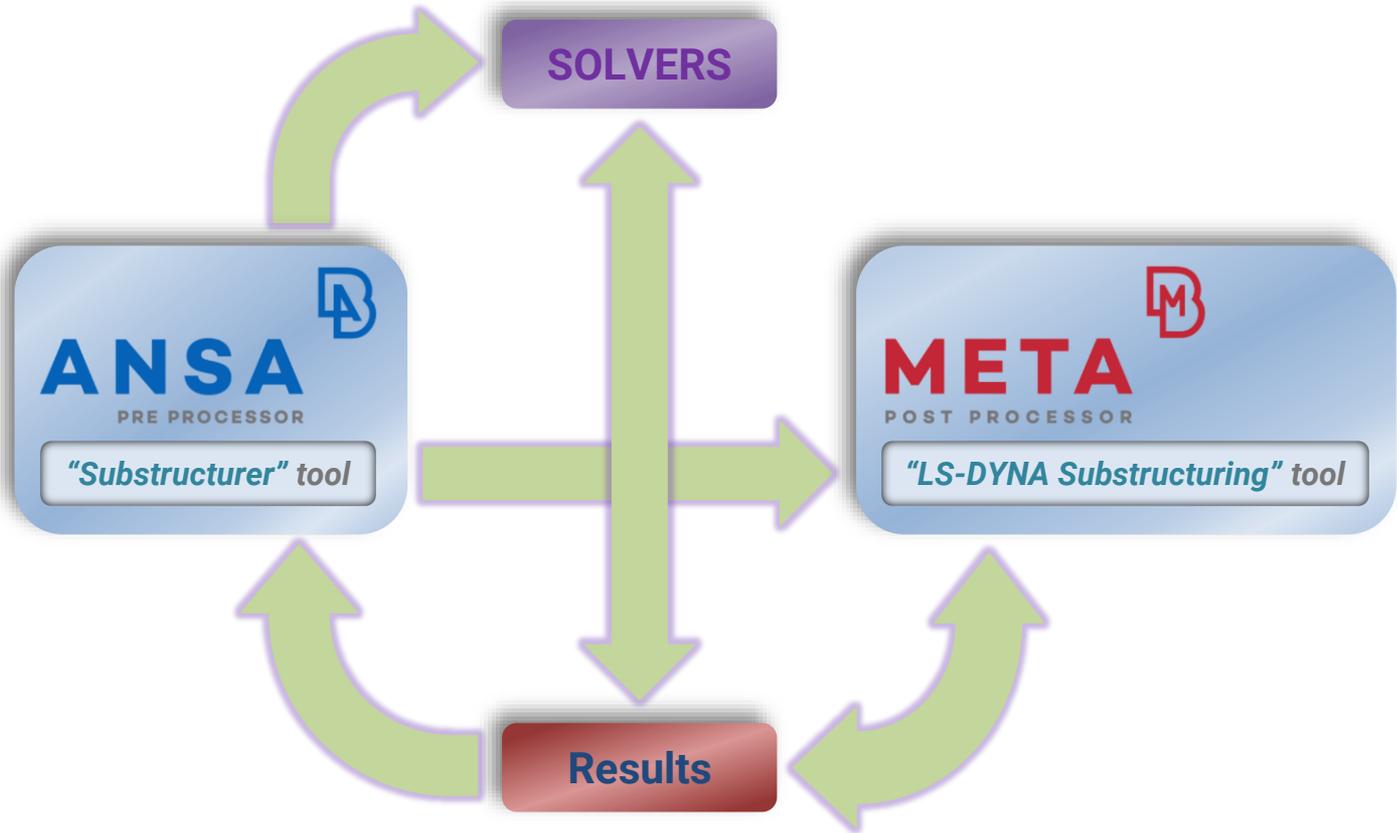


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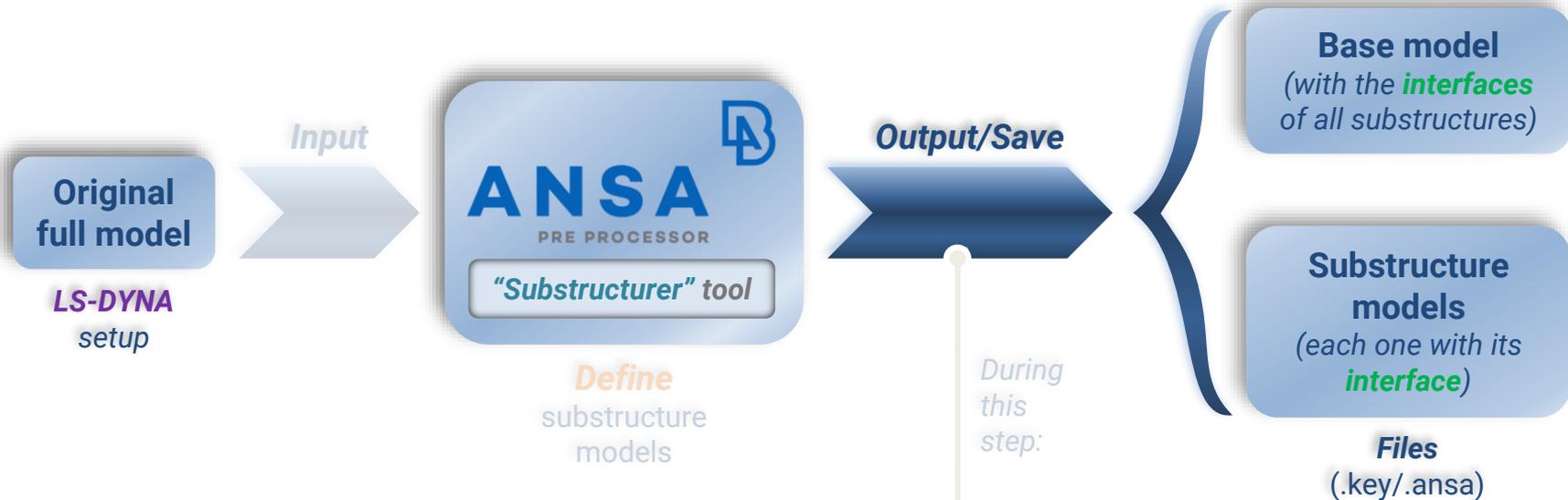
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**Substructure  
model**





# ANSA<sup>B</sup> "Substructurer" tool – Defining the models



Automatic recognition & collection for each substructure, of:

- **Interfaces** (nodes on substructure's boundaries)
- All associated **model entities** (including ANSA ones – CONNECTION, MORPH, etc.)

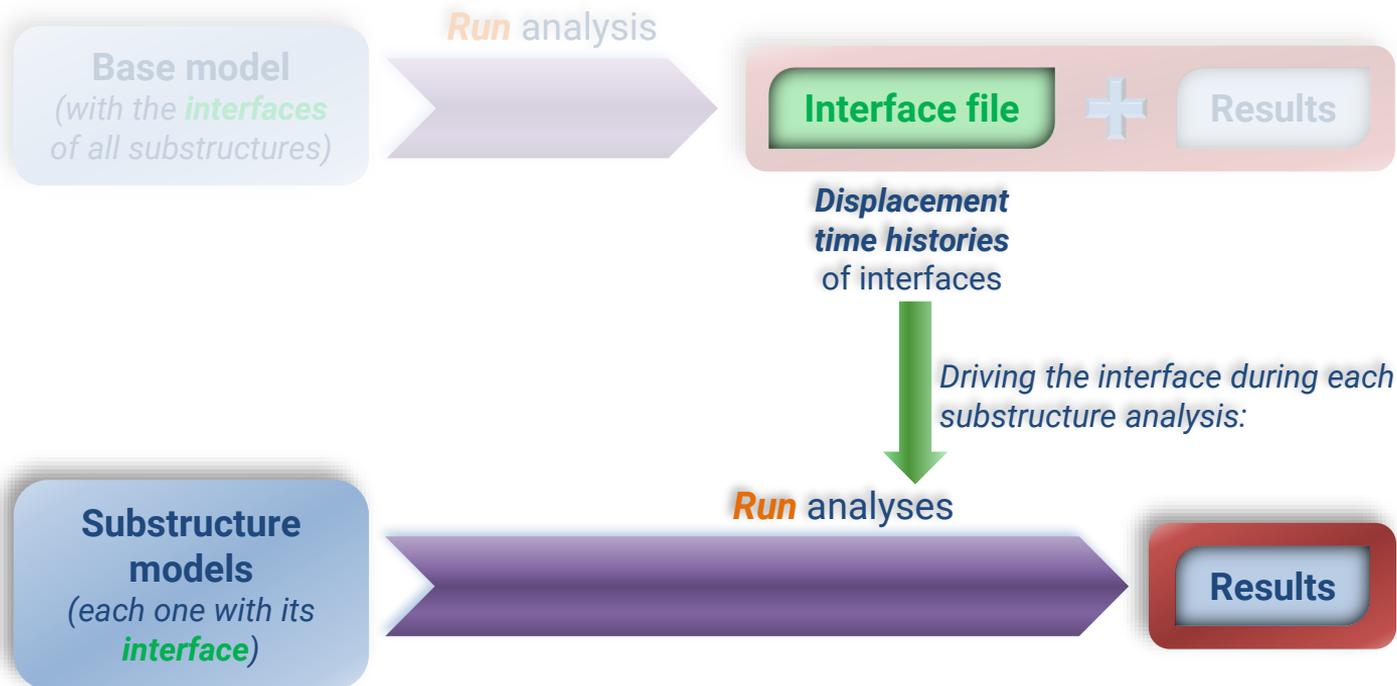
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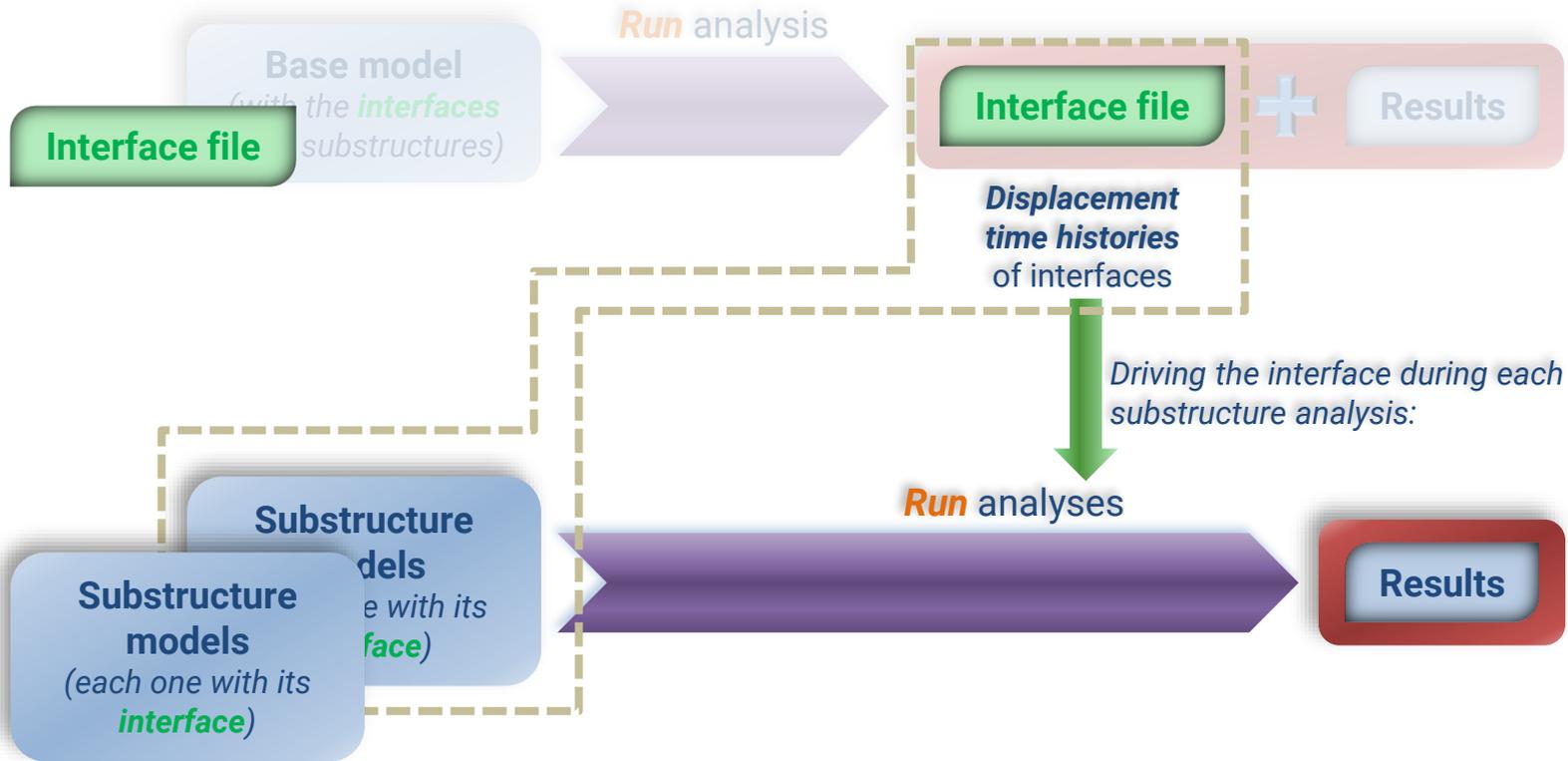
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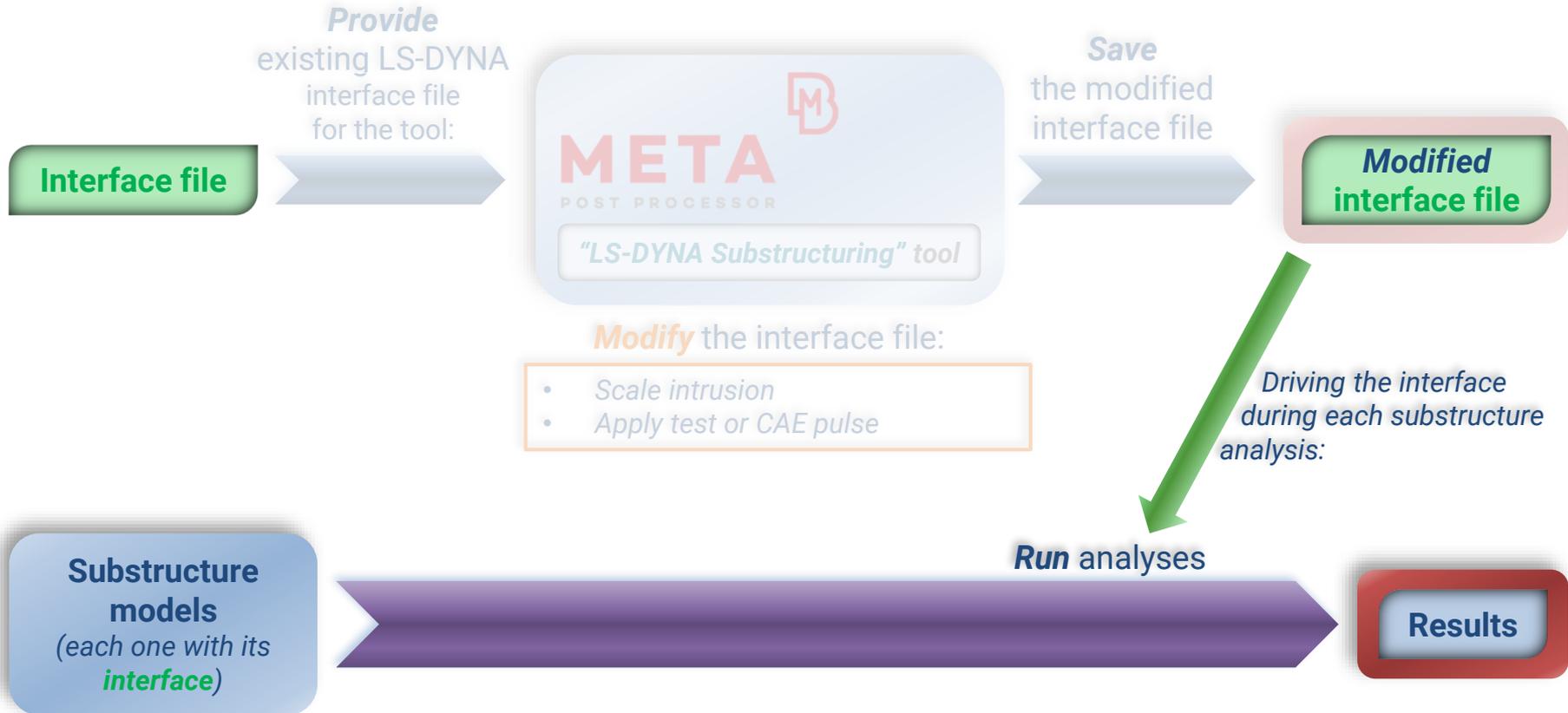
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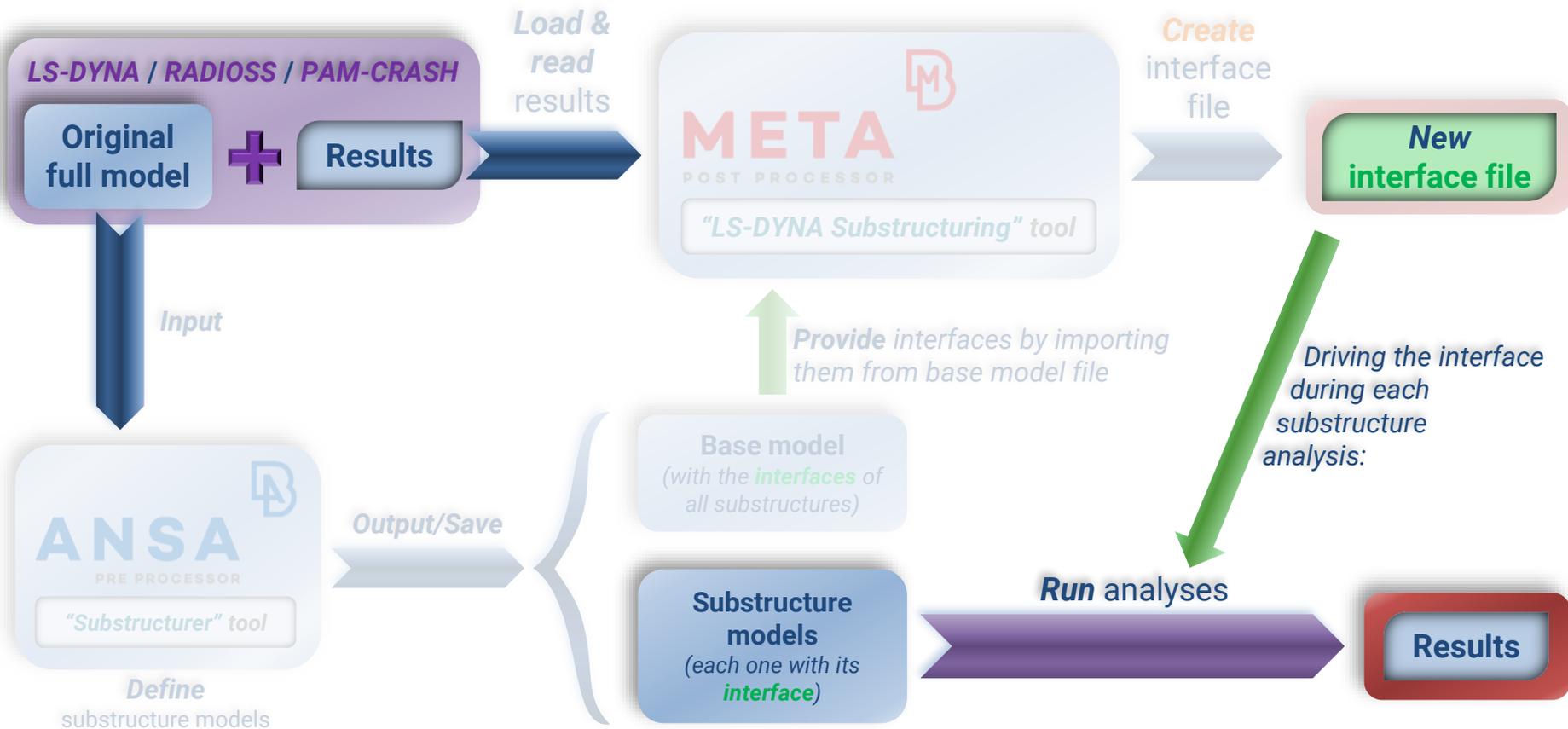
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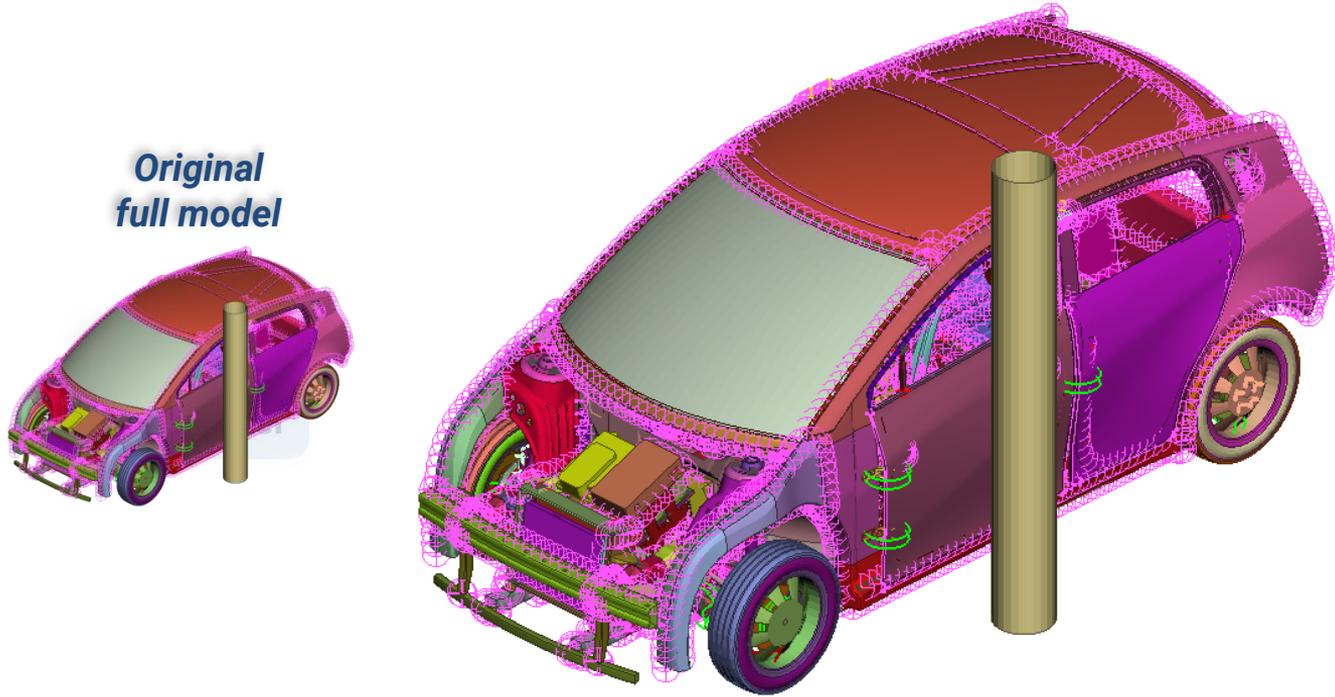




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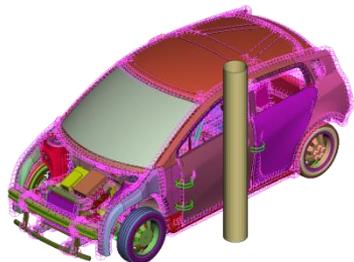
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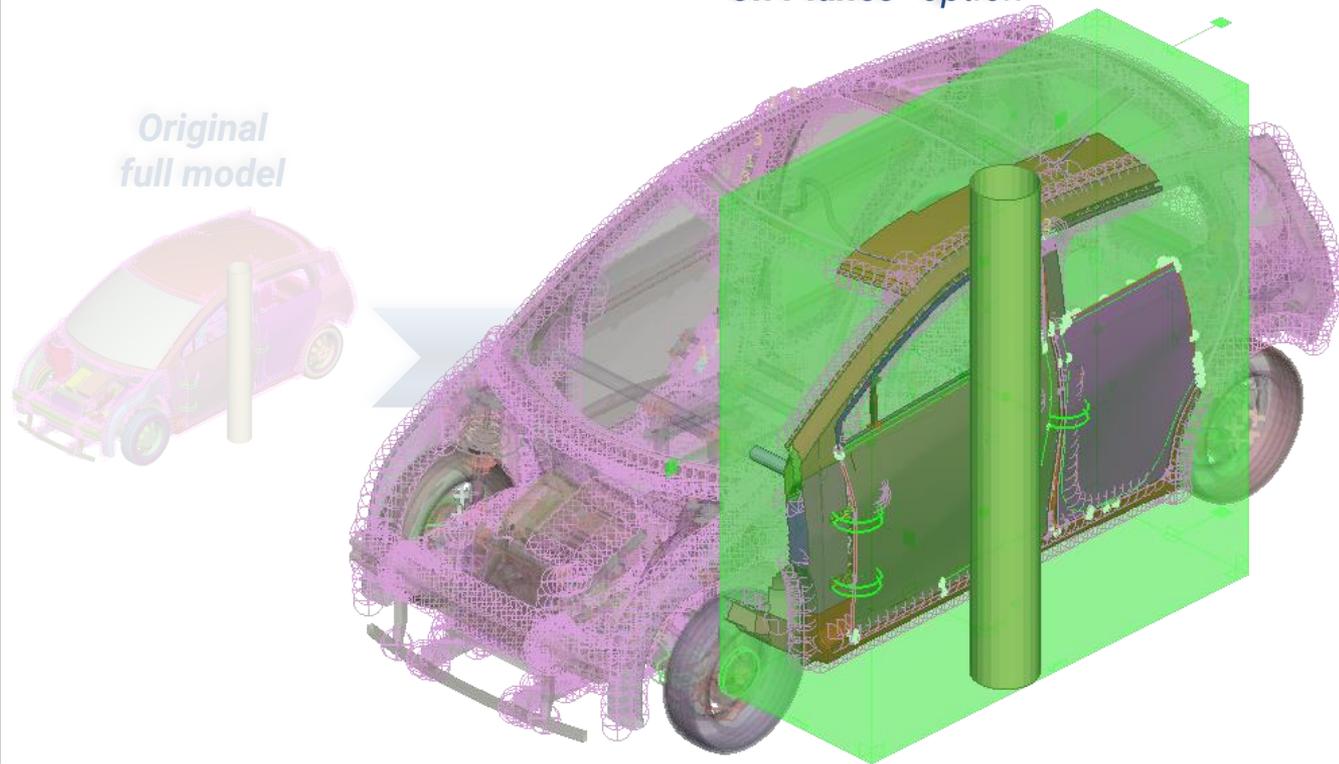
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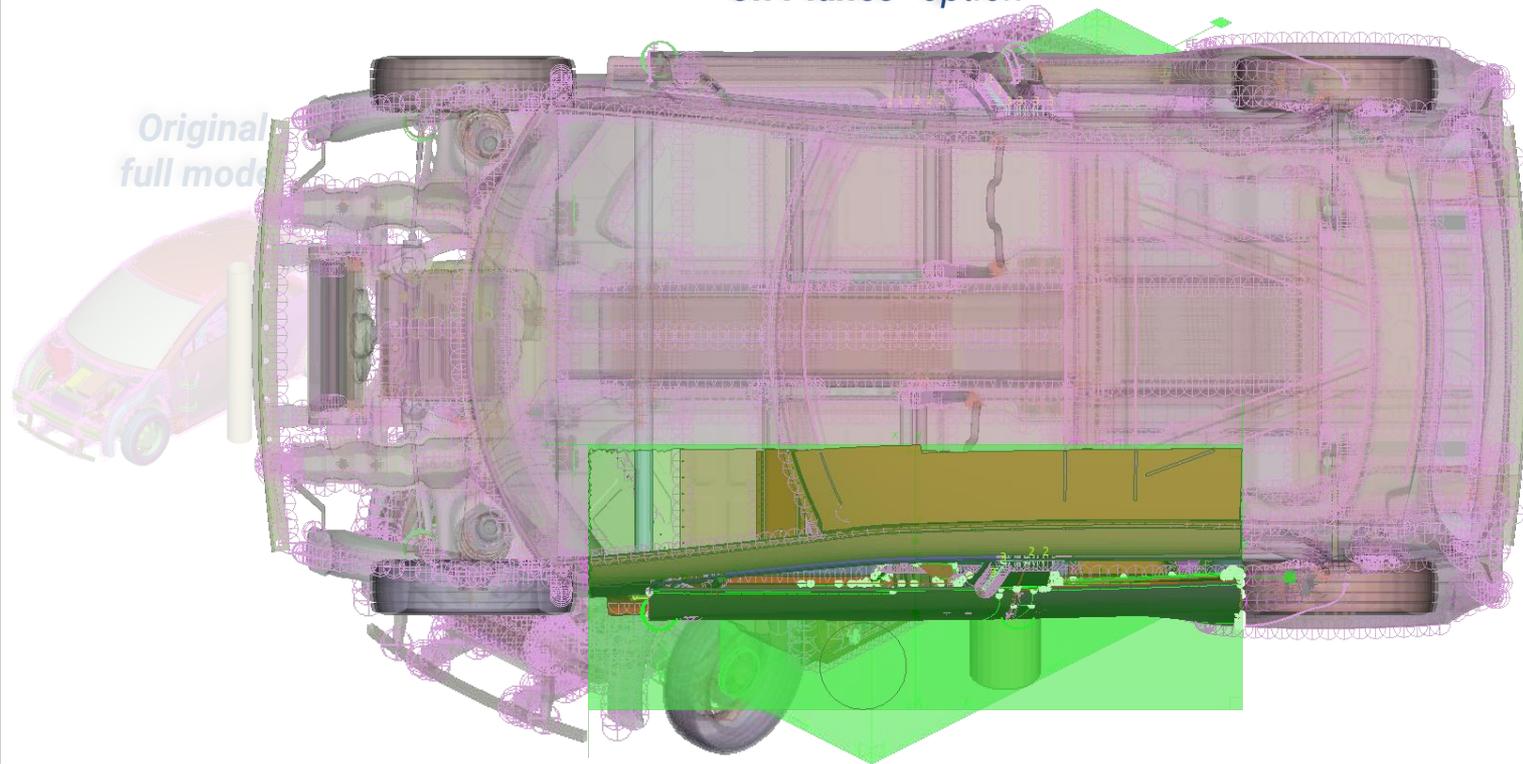
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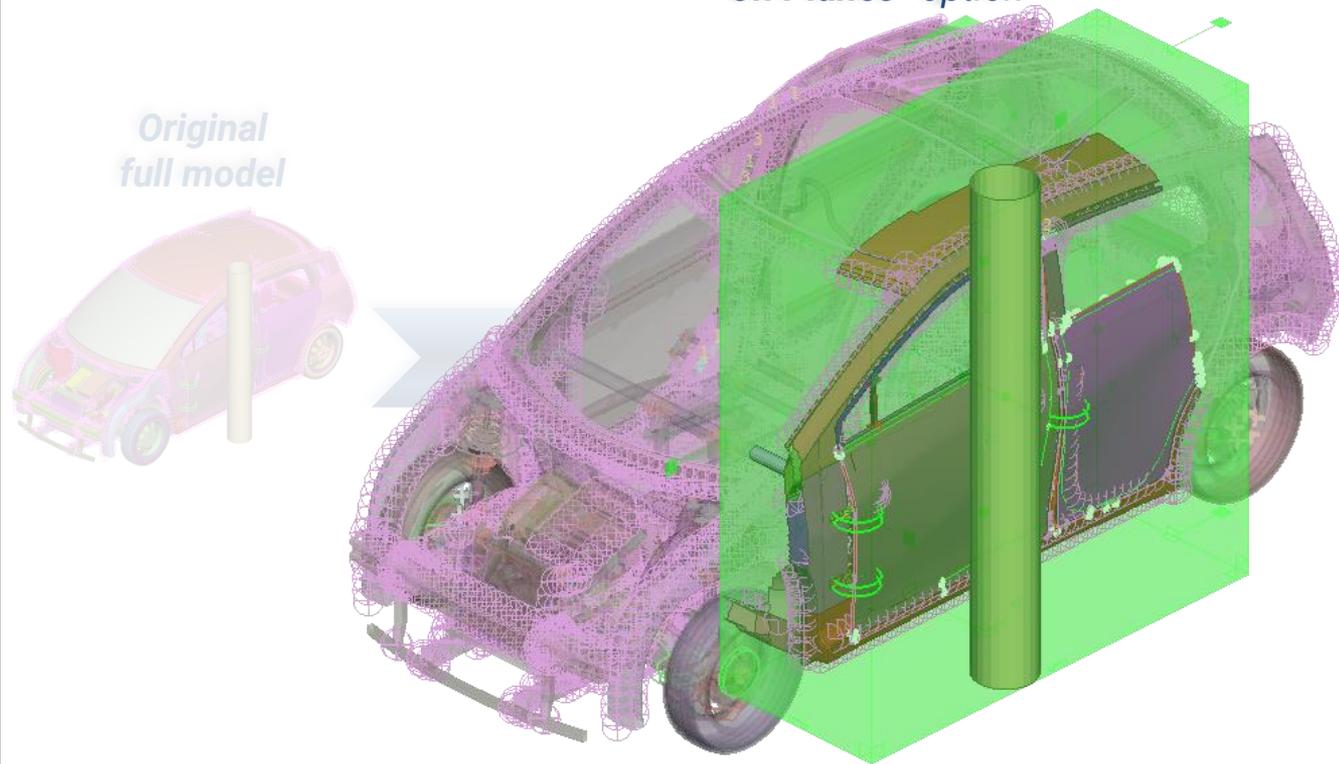
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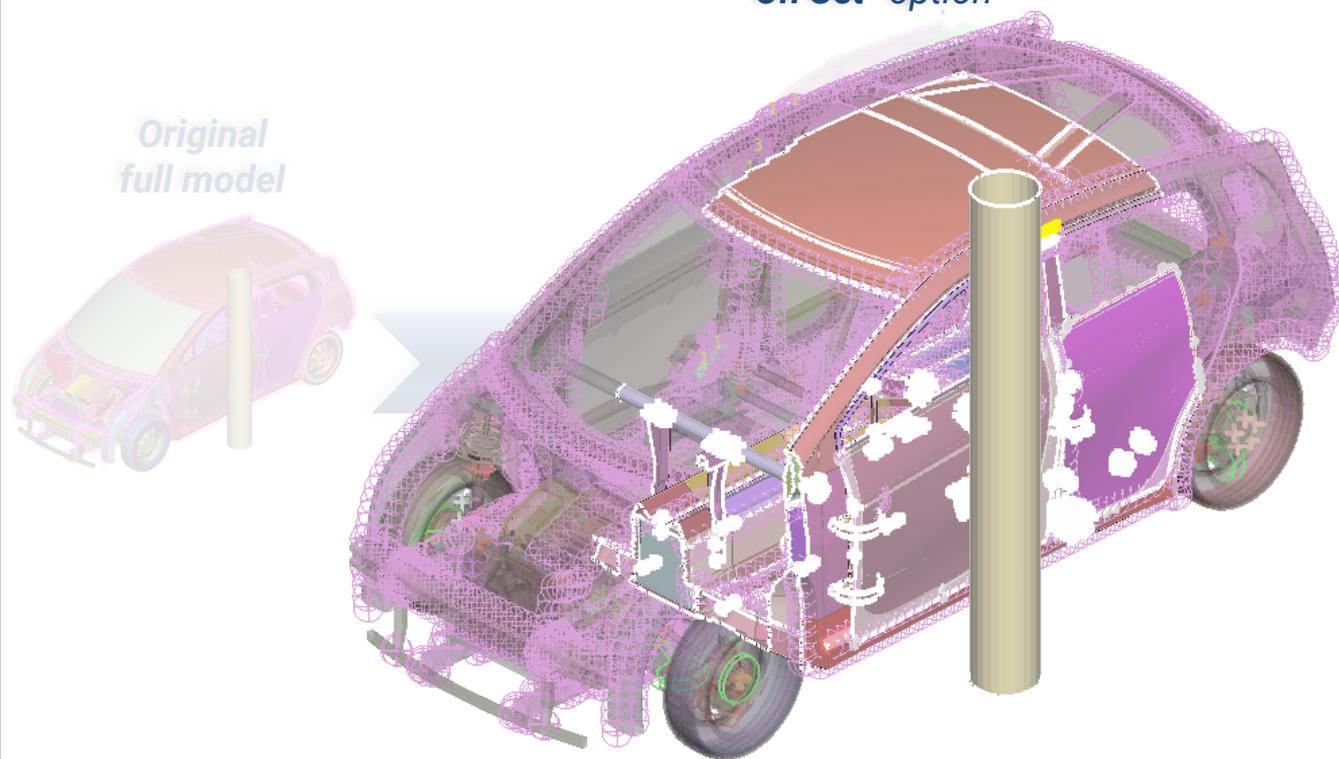
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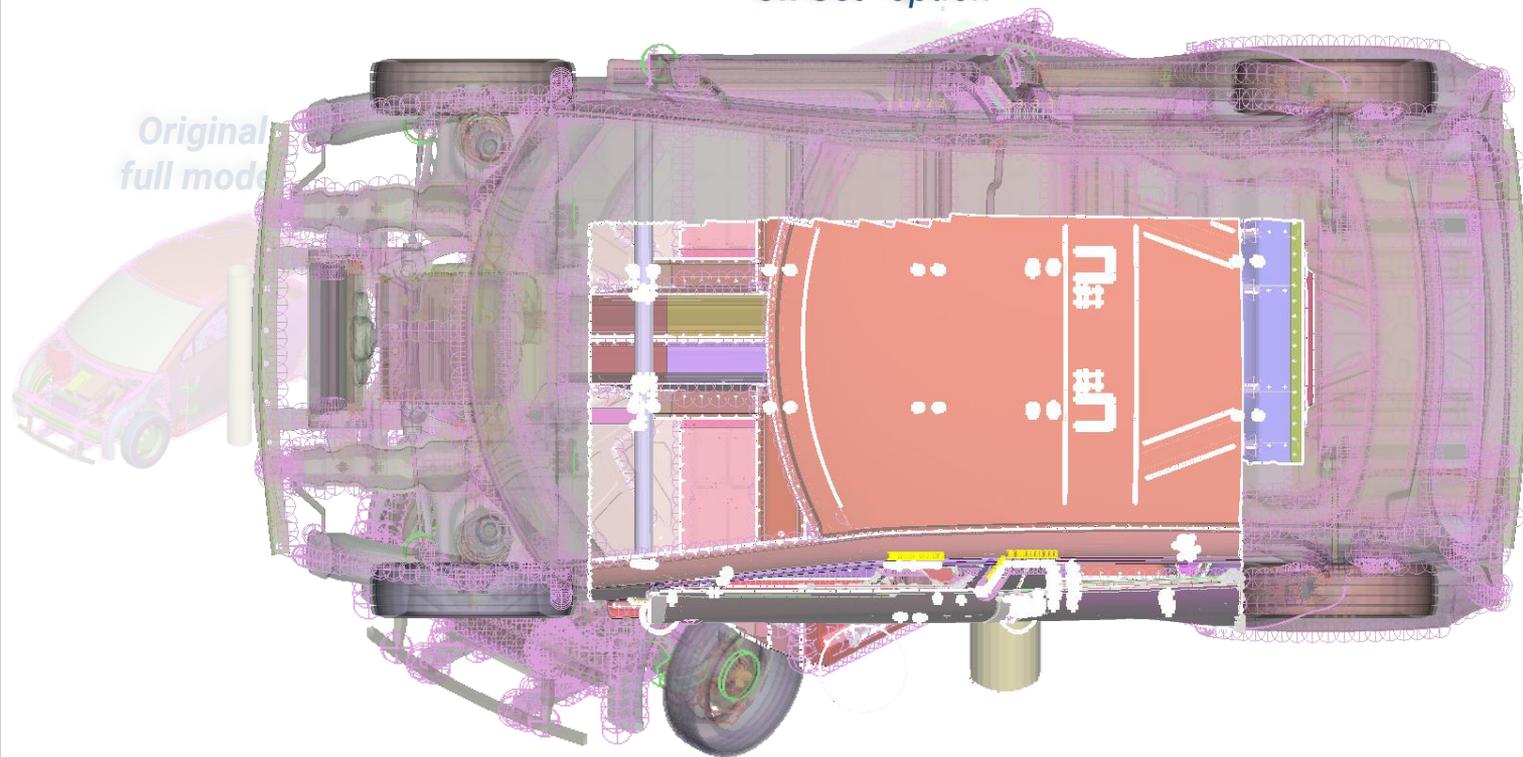
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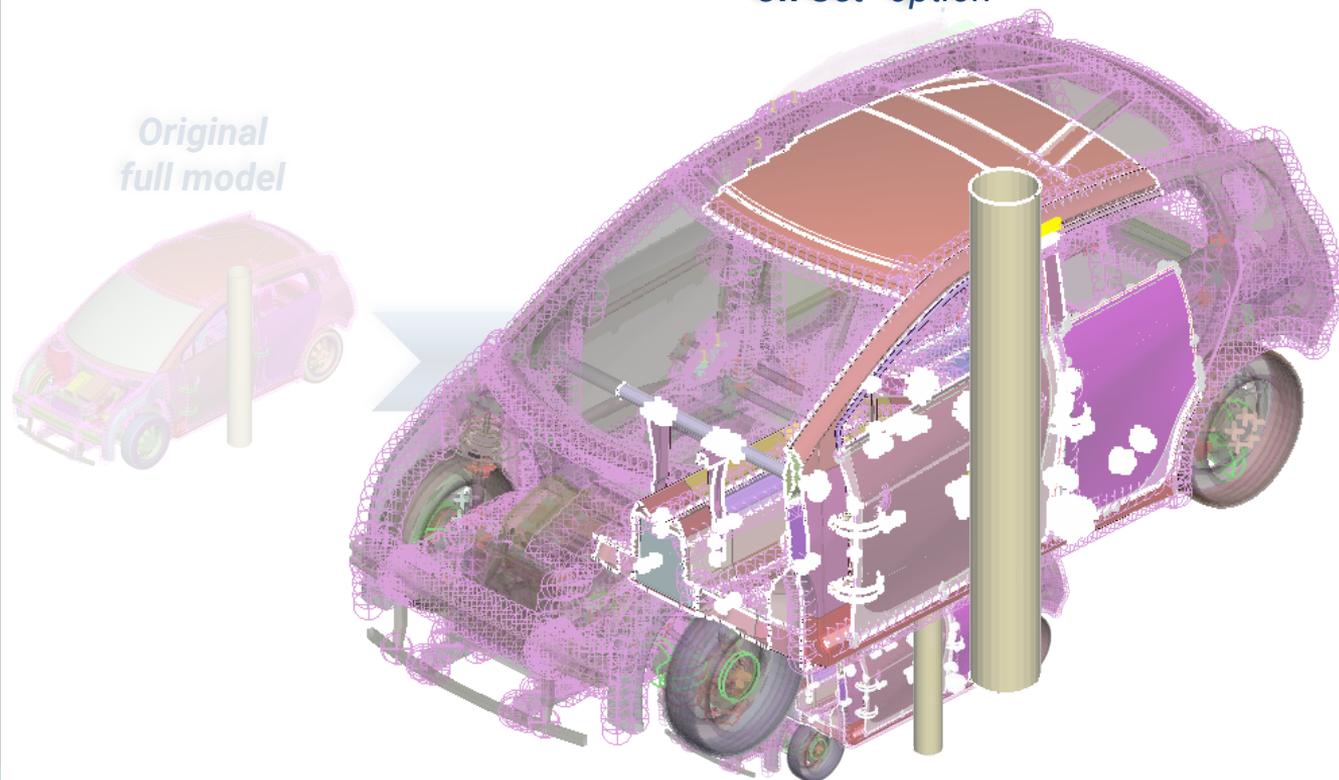
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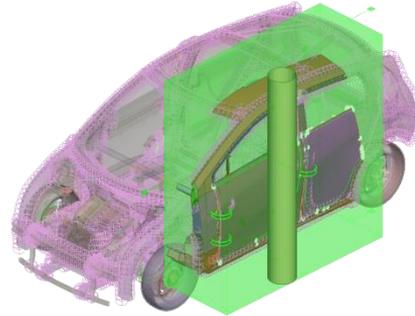
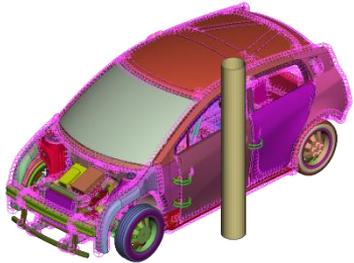


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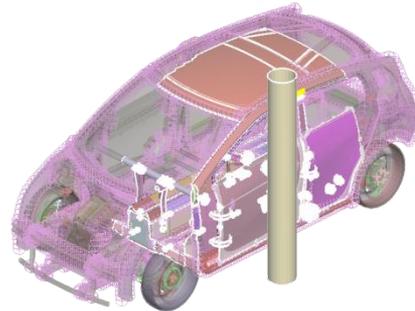
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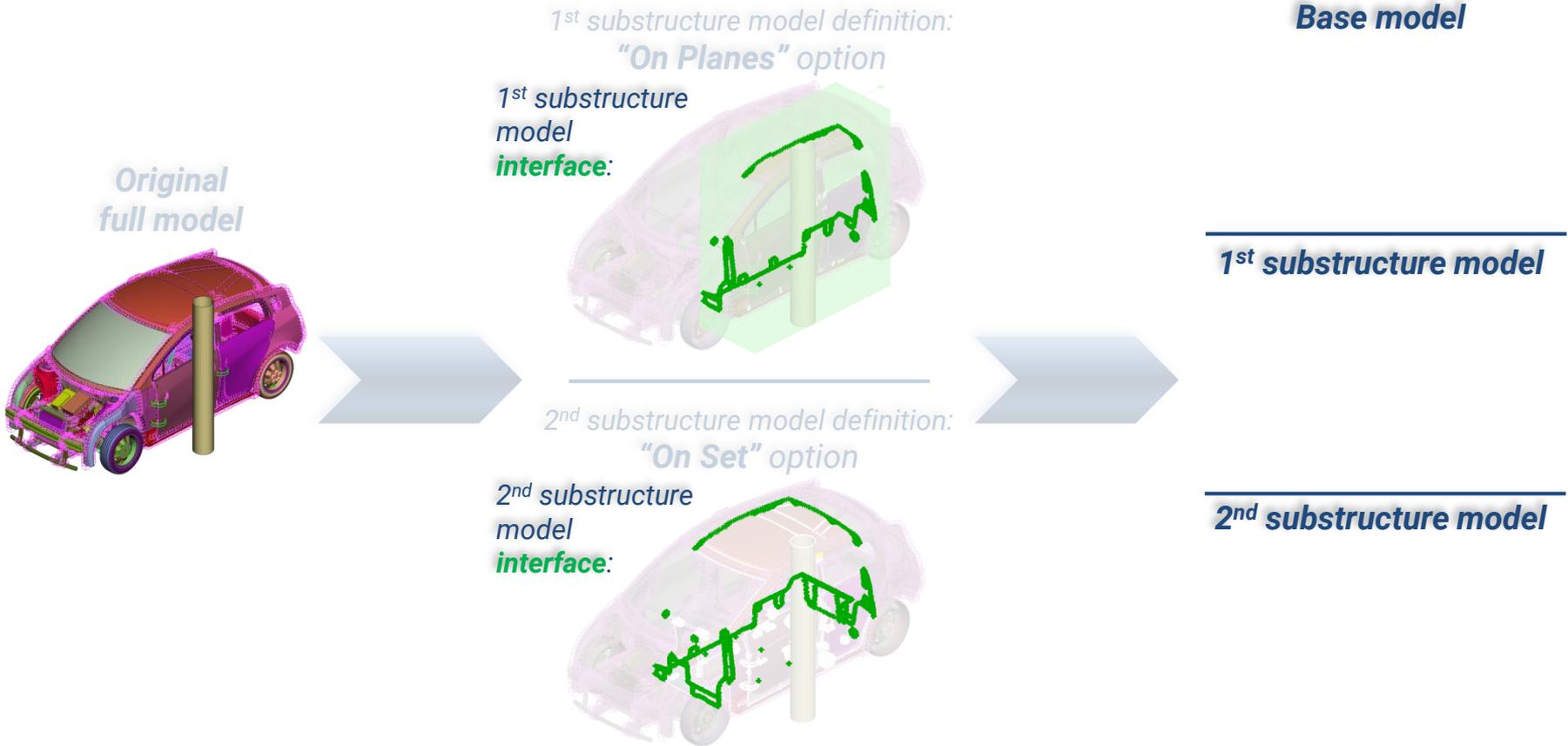
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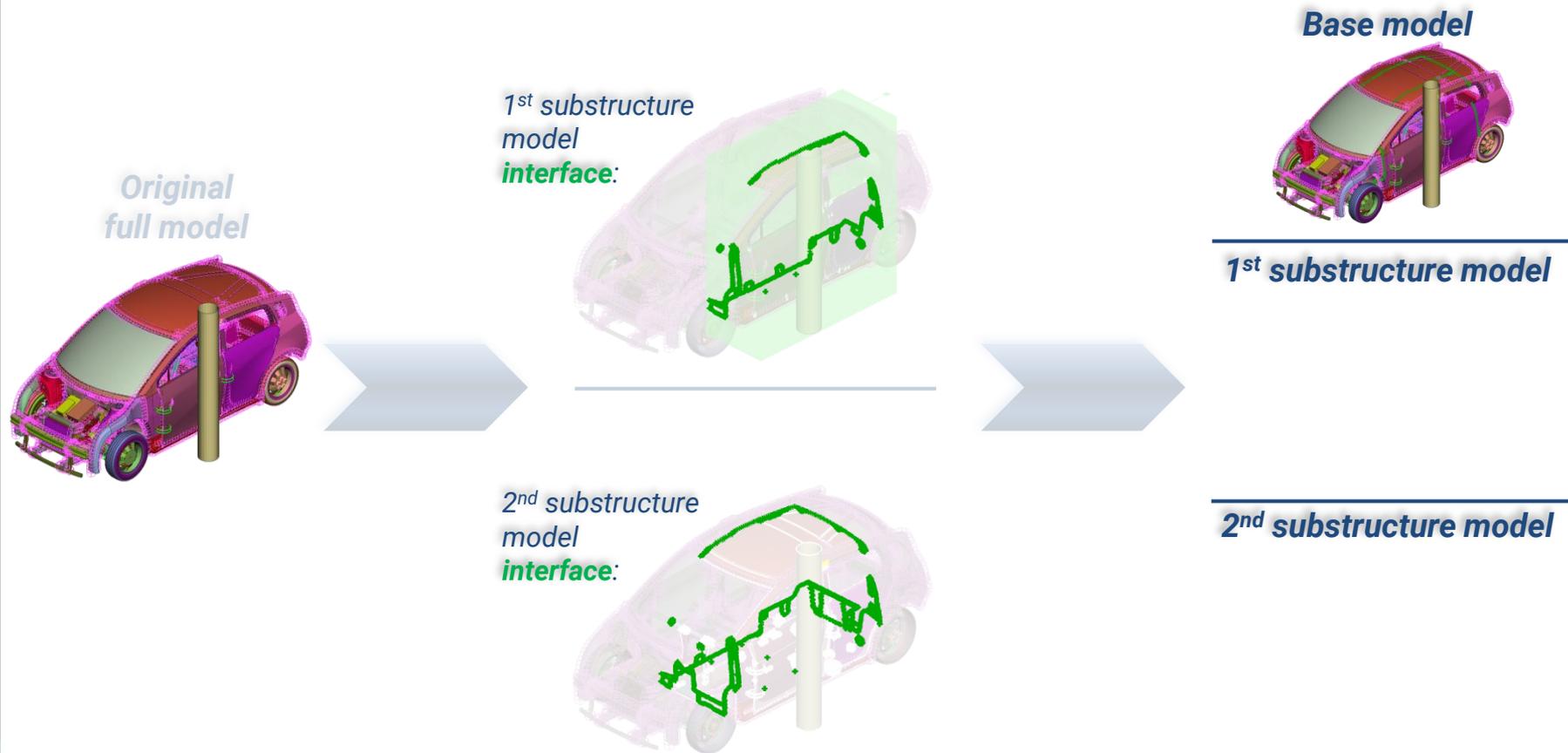
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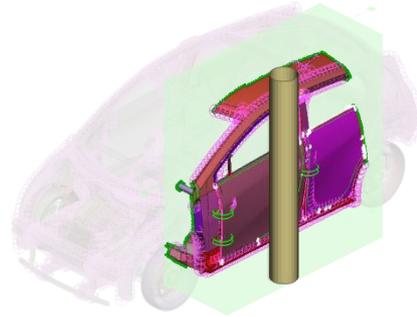


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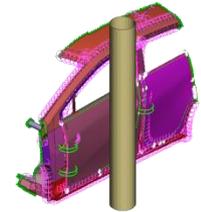
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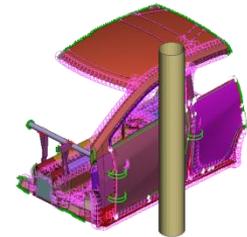
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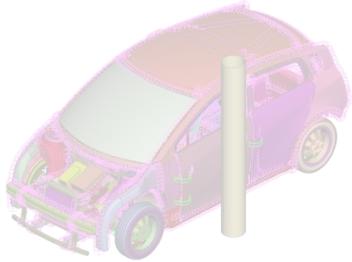
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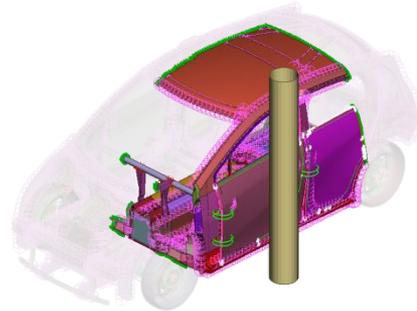
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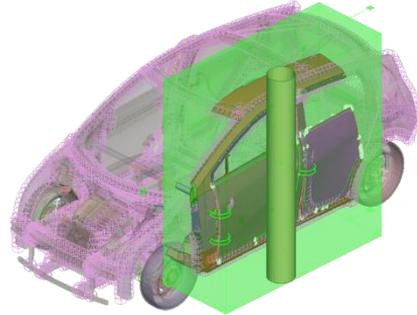


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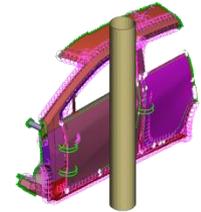
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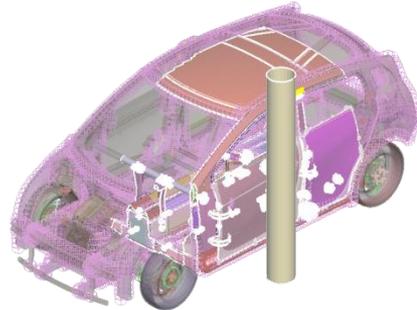
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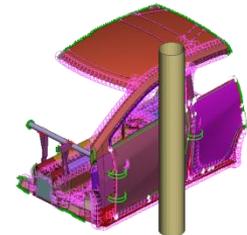
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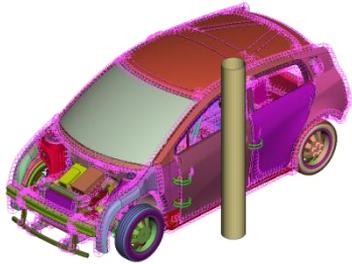
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POST PROCESSOR

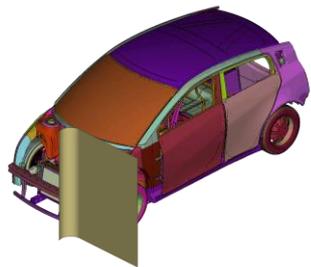
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Original  
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results

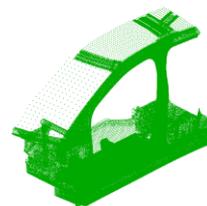


Provided  
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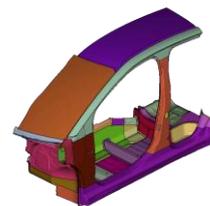


Create  
new interface  
file:

Interface file  
(Displacement time histories  
of nodes in interface set)



Substructure  
model  
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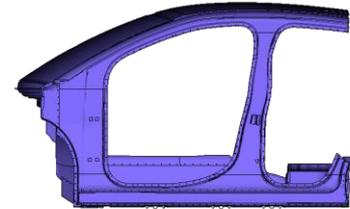
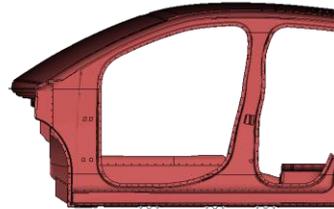
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# "LS-DYNA Substructuring" – Modifying existing LS-DYNA interface file

## Scale intrusion

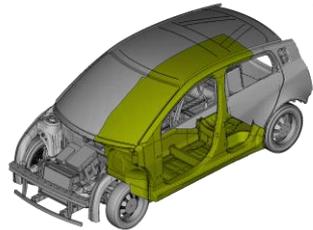
1<sup>st</sup> step:  
Remove RBM

2<sup>nd</sup> step:  
Scale up "X" intrusion by 20%



Base model

Modify  
the interface  
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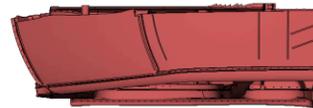


Substructure  
model

## Apply test or CAE pulse

1<sup>st</sup> step:  
Remove RBM

2<sup>nd</sup> step:  
Apply alternative RBM





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