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**CATIA Generative
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About this course

Objectives of the course

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:

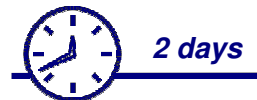
- Correctly recall the tools of the Generative Shape Design workbench that are common to MD2 and HD2 licenses
- Identify and use the Generative Shape Design tools that are specific to the HD2 license
- Create advanced and parameterized swept surfaces
- Perform advanced surfaces analysis and gap correction
- Improve geometry quality and stability

Targeted audience

Mechanical Surface Designers

Prerequisites

Students who are familiar with the basics of wireframe and surfaces creation



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Introduction to Surface Design

In this lesson you will revise the concepts learnt in wireframe and surfaces course. You will later learn about managing features and Geometrical sets.

- Surface Design Workbench Overview
- Managing Features and Geometrical Sets
- Geometrical Sets - Recommendations
- Recap Exercise: Managing Features
- Recap Exercise: Shampoo Bottle

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Surface Design Workbench Overview

You will revise the concepts learnt in Wireframe and Surfaces course.



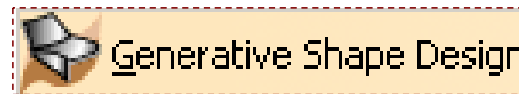
Wireframe Geometry



Surface Geometry



Operations



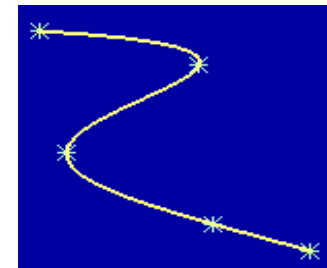
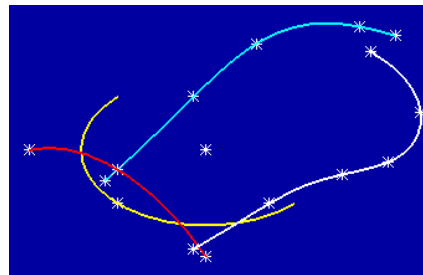
Review of Surface Design Basics (1/2)

In the Surface Design Fundamentals, you have learnt the basics of creation, modification & completion of geometry which is in the form of wireframes and surfaces. You have also learnt about Shape design Common tools.

Here you will review the concepts learnt in wireframe and surface design course

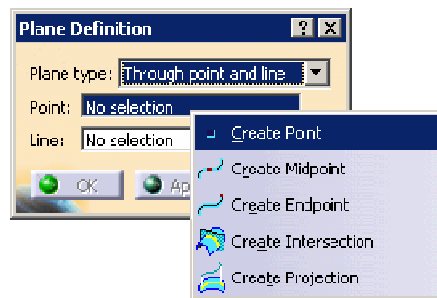
Creating wireframe Geometry

- ◆ Creating Points
- ◆ Creating Lines
- ◆ Creating Planes
- ◆ Creating Curves



Shape Design Common Tools

- ◆ About Stacking Commands
- ◆ Managing Geometrical Sets



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Review of Surface Design Basics (2/2)

Creating Surfaces

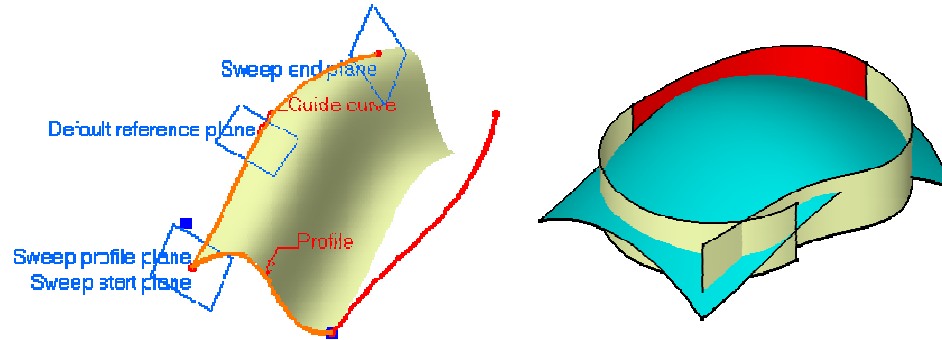
- ◆ Creating Basic surfaces
- ◆ Swept surfaces
- ◆ Multi-Section surfaces

Modifying the Geometry

- ◆ Editing Elements,
- ◆ Imposing value ranges for parameters
- ◆ Identifying Parent Child relations

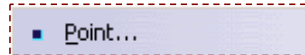
Using Tools

- ◆ Creating Datum features
- ◆ Checking Connection between elements
- ◆ Updating a Part
- ◆ Working on Support
- ◆ Manipulating Elements.



Review of Wireframe Covered in the Surface Design course

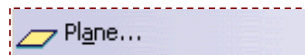
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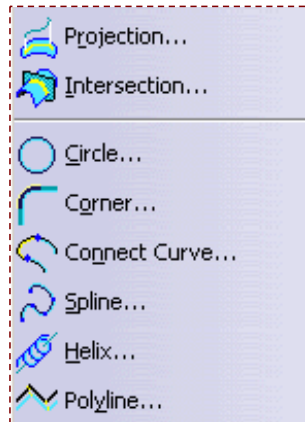
Creating Points in 3D



Creating Lines in 3D



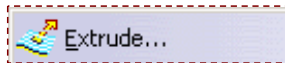
Creating Planes in 3D



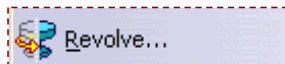
Creating Curves in 3D

Review of Surfaces covered in the Surface Design course

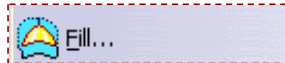
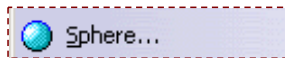
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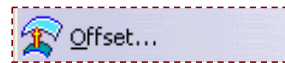
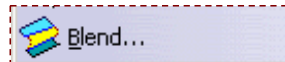
Creating a Surface from a profile
Creating an Extruded Surface



Creating a Surface of Revolution
Creating a Sphere



Creating a Surface from Boundaries
Creating a Fill Surface
Creating a Blend Surface



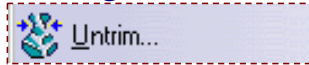
Creating a Surface from another Surface
Creating an Offset Surface



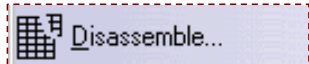
Creating a Lofted Surface (Multi-sections surface)

Review of Operations covered in the Surface Design course

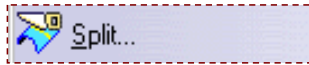
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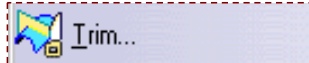
Restoring Surfaces



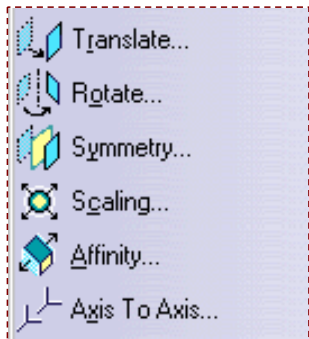
Disassembling Surfaces



Splitting Elements

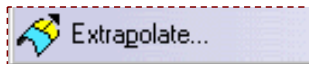


Trimming Elements

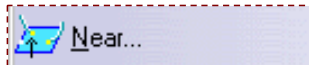


Transforming Elements

- *Translating an Element*
- *Rotating an Element*
- *Applying a Symmetry to an Element*
- *Scaling an Element*
- *Creating an Affinity*
- *Performing an Axis-to-Axis transformation*



Extrapolating Elements



Creating Near Elements

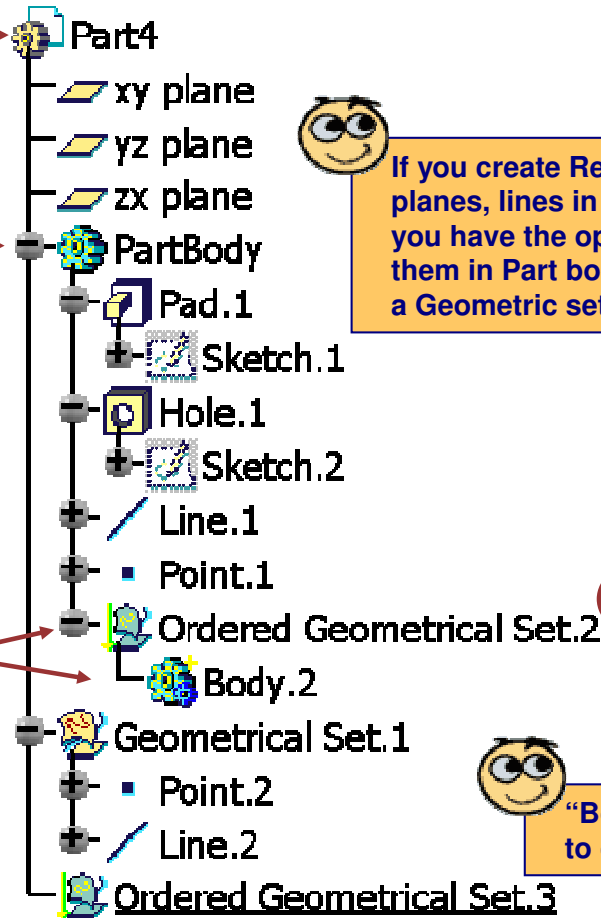
Surface Design Workbench Terminology

Part is a combination of Part Body and Geometrical Sets.

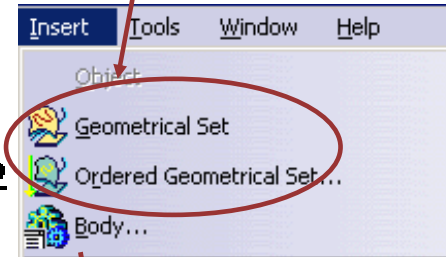
PartBody basically contains the features used to create a solid. It can contain surfacic and wireframe elements also.

Geometrical Sets contain the features used to create surface and wireframe elements.

Ordered Geometric Sets(OGS) contain surface and wireframe . The elements in this body are created in a linear manner. OGS can also contain **"Body"** . Body allows creation of Part Design Solids within an OGS.



If you create Reference Elements ; points, planes, lines in Part Design Workbench , you have the option of directly containing them in Part body / Body , or you can insert a Geometric set and place these elements.

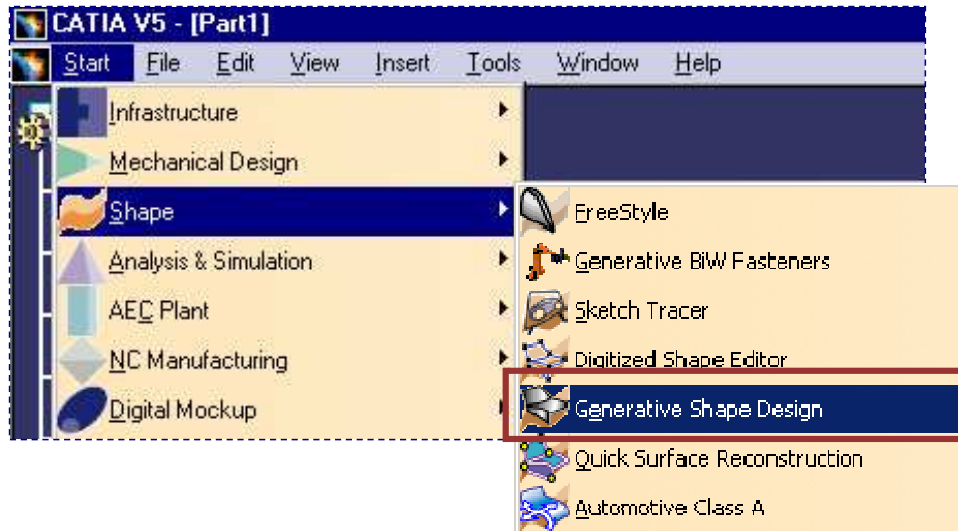


"Body" can be inserted in OGS to contain Part Design Solids.

When you enter the Generative Shape Design workbench Part Body is the default body available. "Geometric Set", "Ordered Geometric Set" can be inserted manually.

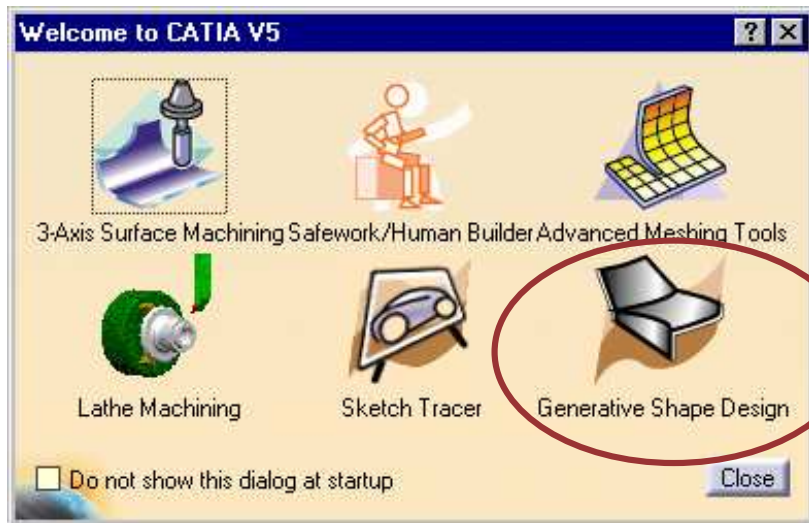
Generative Shape Design Workbench

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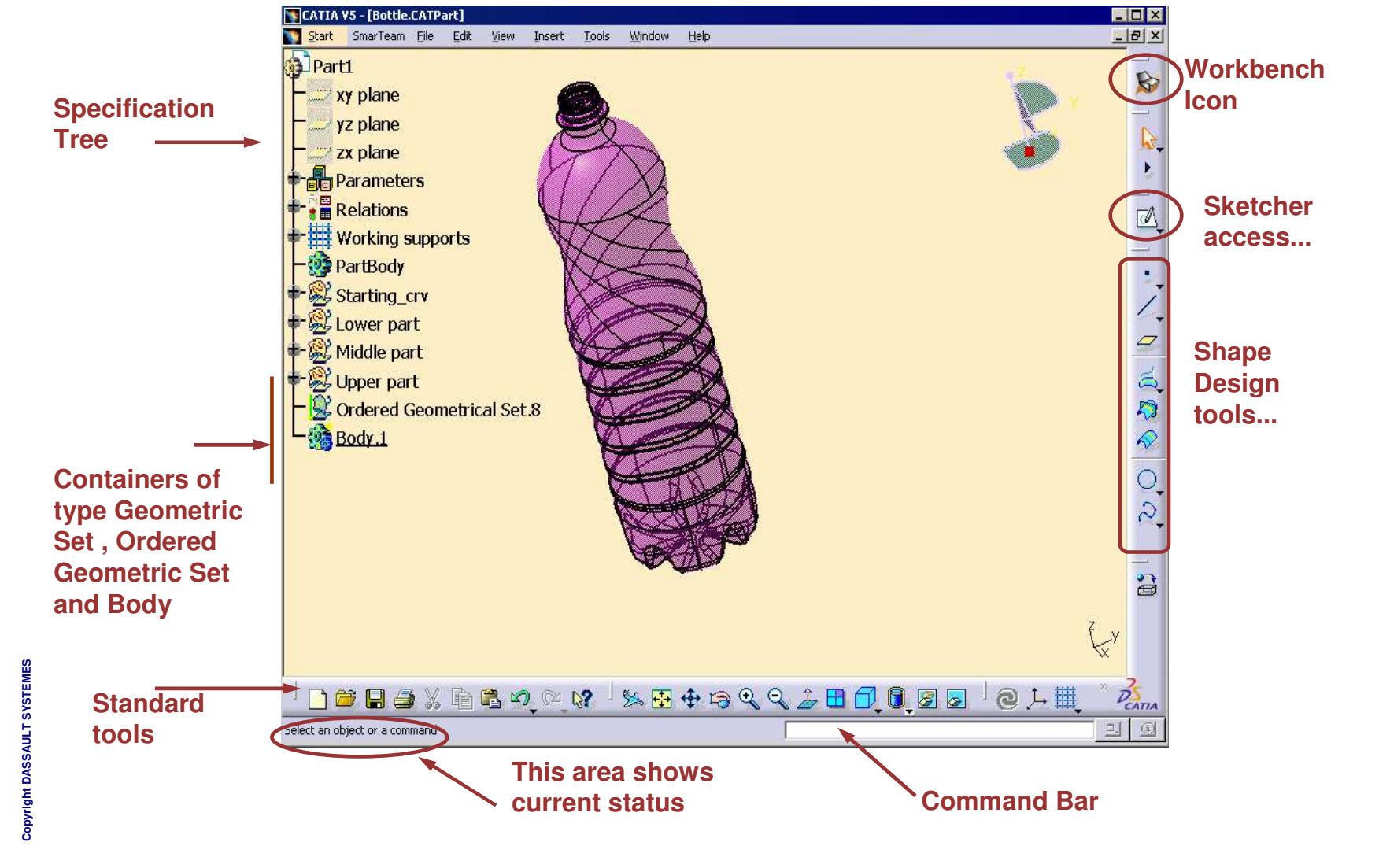
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By clicking on the current Workbench icon (top right) to access the Favourite Workbenches window.

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Generative Shape Design Workbench User Interface



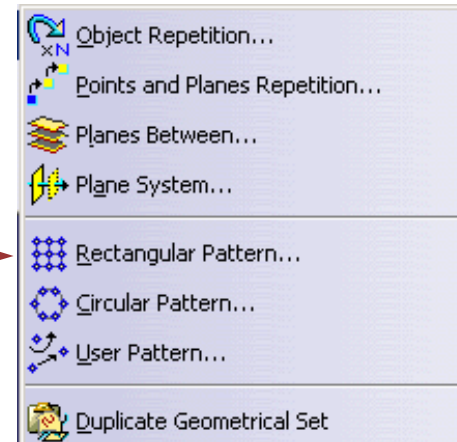
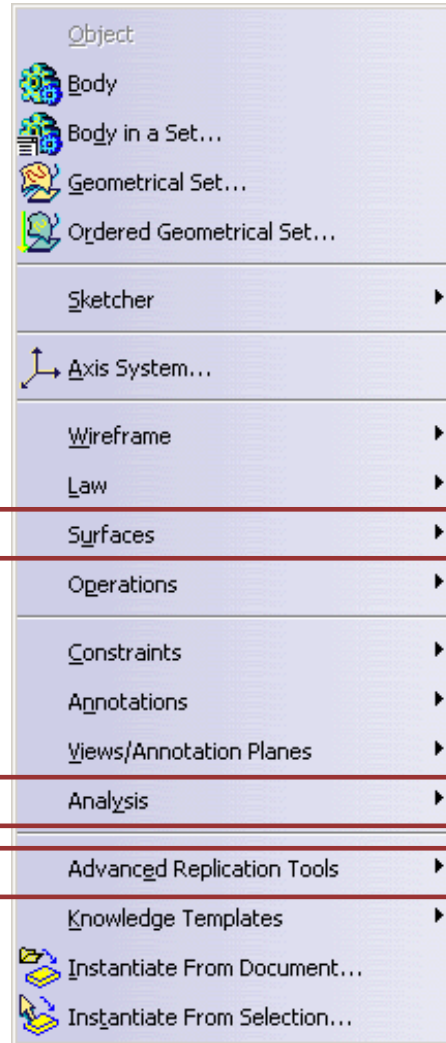
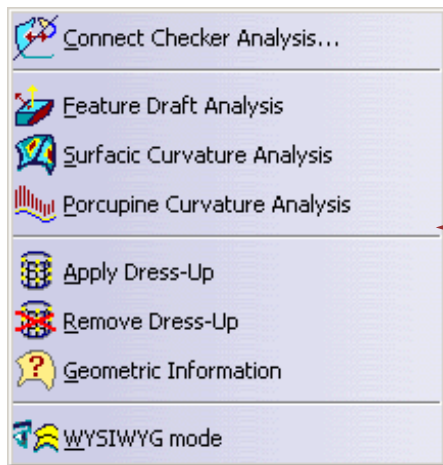
Generative Shape Design Workbench User Interface (1/2)

The image displays the Generative Shape Design Workbench User Interface, divided into three main panels:

- Left Panel (Toolbar):** Contains various tools for creating and editing geometry, including Point..., Points and Planes Repetition..., Extremum..., ExtremumPolar..., Line..., Axis..., Polyline..., Plane..., Projection..., Combine..., ReflectLine..., Intersection..., Parallel Curve..., 3D Curve Offset..., Circle..., Corner..., Connect Curve..., Conic..., Spline..., Helix..., Spiral..., Spine..., and Isoparametric Curve.
- Central Panel (Ribbon):** Organized into sections: Object (Body, Body in a Set..., Geometrical Set..., Ordered Geometrical Set...), Sketcher, Axis System..., Wireframe (highlighted with a red box), Law, Surfaces, Operations (highlighted with a red box), Constraints, Annotations, Views/Annotation Planes, Analysis, Advanced Replication Tools, Knowledge Templates, Instantiate From Document..., and Instantiate From Selection...
- Right Panel (Toolbar):** Contains tools for Boolean operations and fillets, including Join..., Healing..., Curve Smooth..., Untrim..., Disassemble..., Split..., Trim..., Boundary..., Extract..., Multiple Extract..., Shape Fillet..., Edge Fillet..., Variable Fillet..., Chordal Fillet..., Face-Face Fillet..., Tri tangent Fillet..., Translate..., Rotate..., Symmetry..., Scaling..., Affinity..., Axis To Axis..., Extrapolate..., Invert Orientation..., and Near...

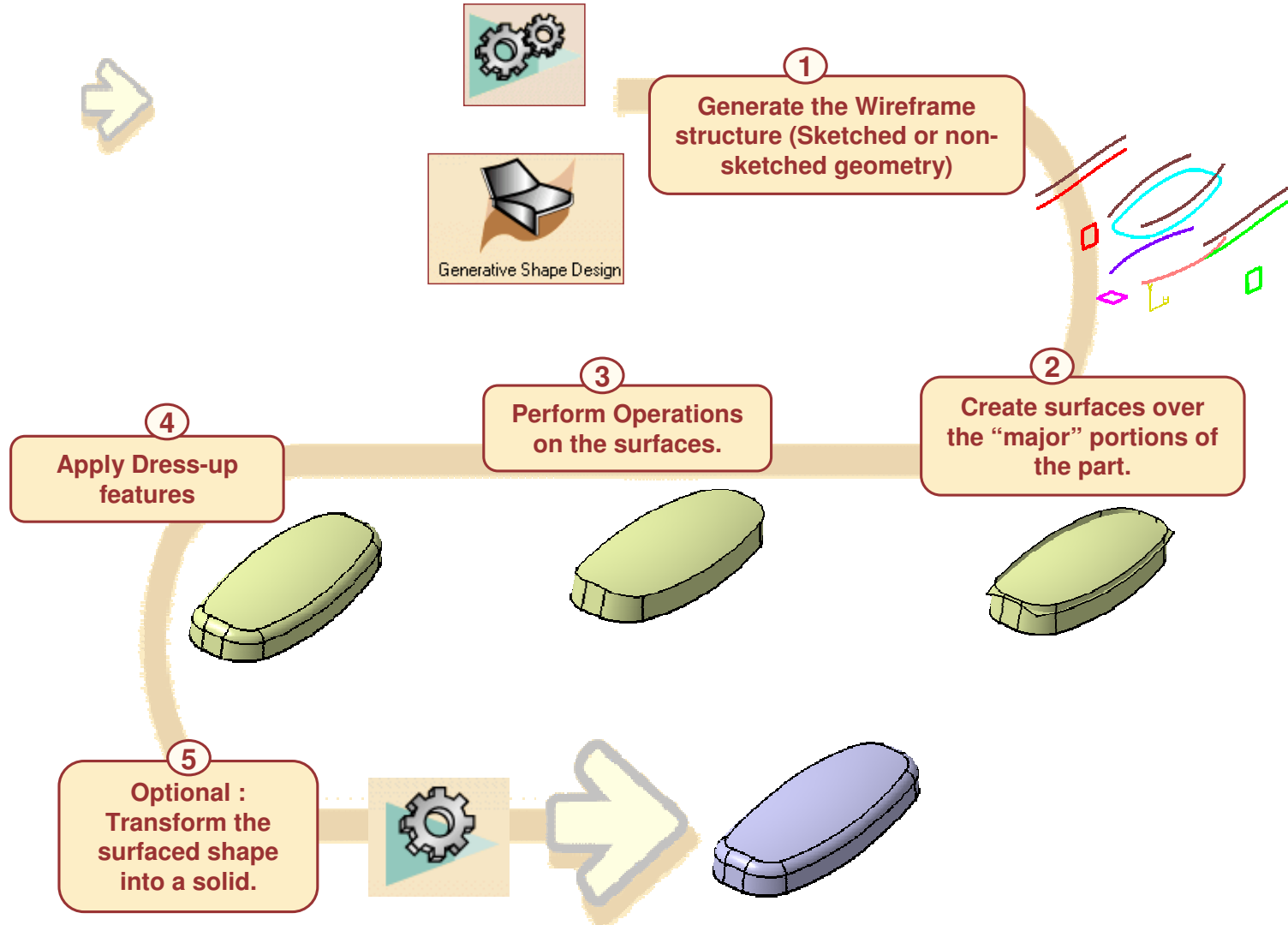
Red arrows indicate the relationship between the highlighted ribbon items and the toolbars: one arrow points from the 'Wireframe' ribbon item to the left toolbar, and another points from the 'Operations' ribbon item to the right toolbar.

Generative Shape Design Workbench User Interface (2/2)



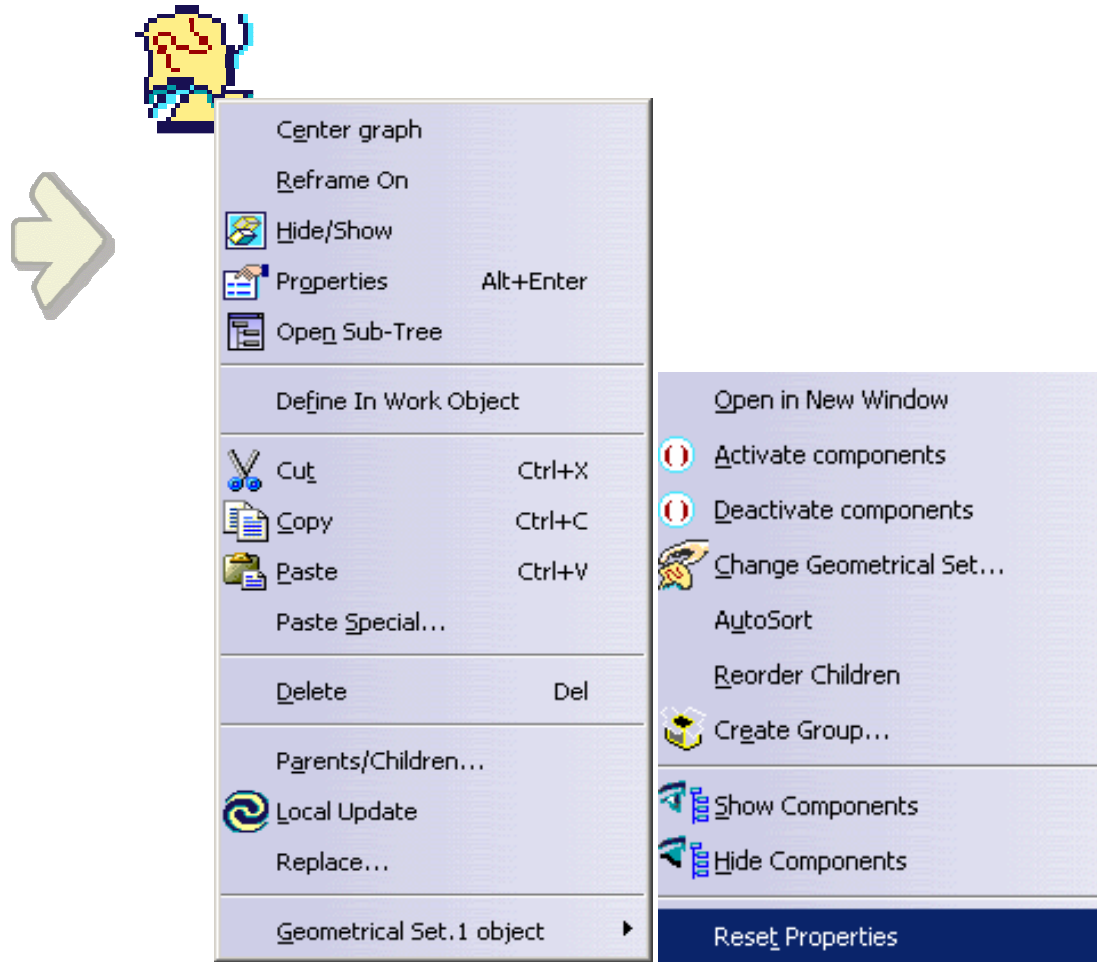
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General Surface Design Process

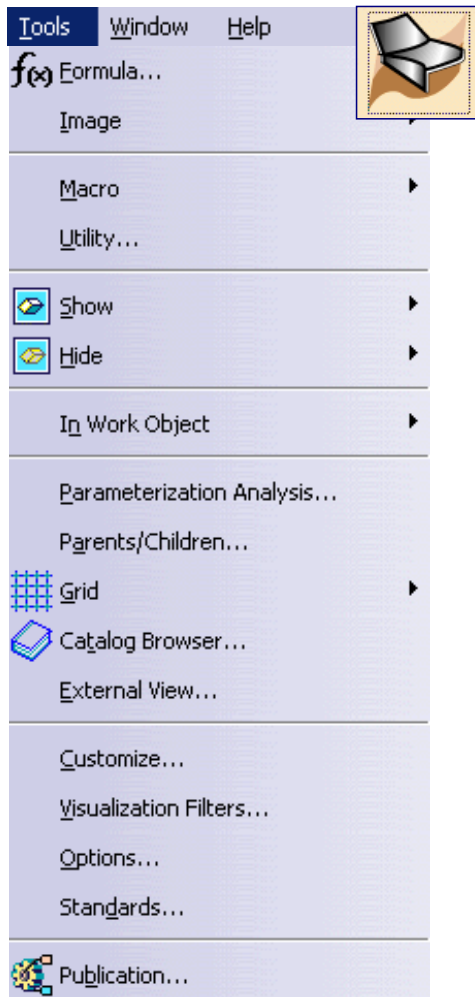


Managing Features and Geometrical Sets

You will see the different tools to manage features and Geometrical sets.



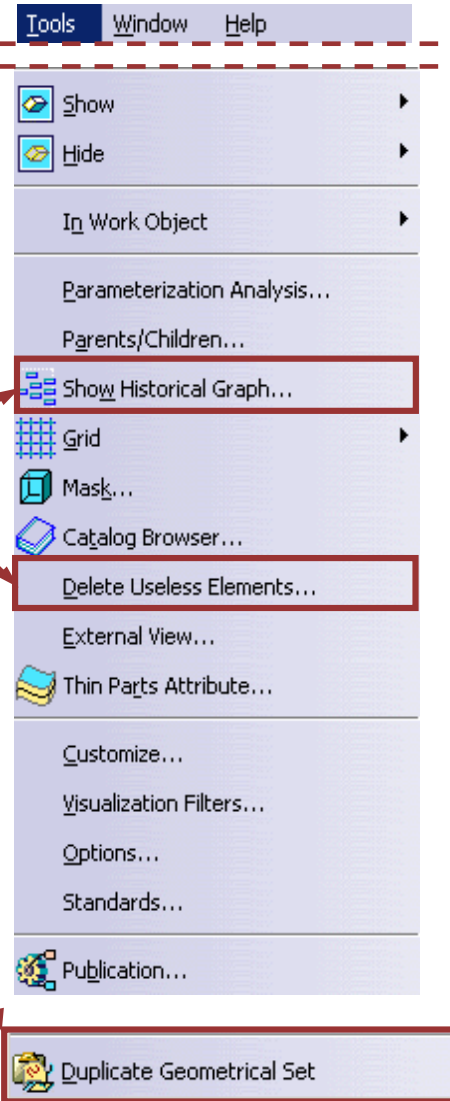
MD2/GSD Management Features versus HD2/GSD Management Features



MD2



HD2



Functionalities specific to the HD2/GSD.



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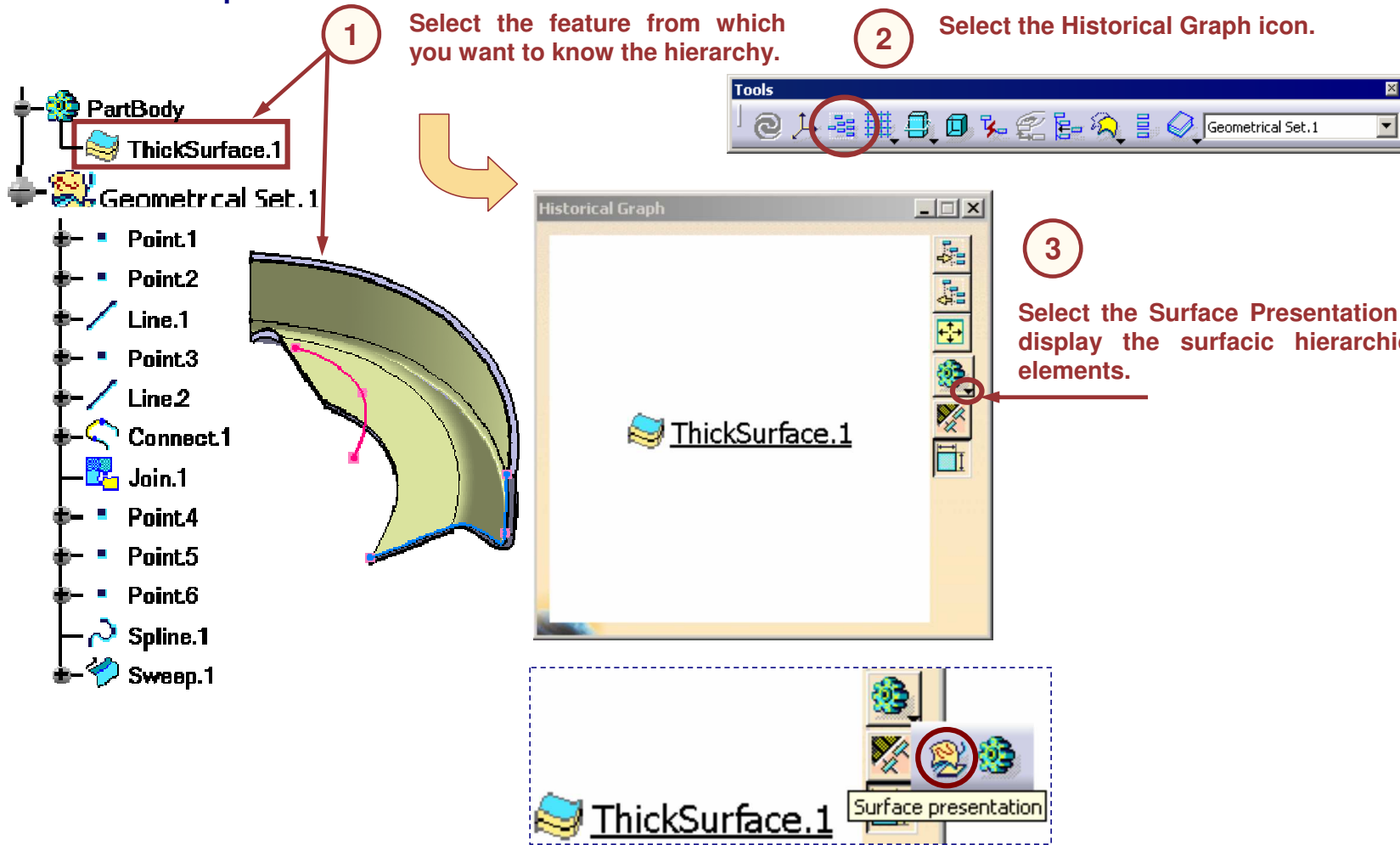
Using the Historical Graph (1/2)

The Historical Graph allows you to display the hierarchical links between the different features of a part.

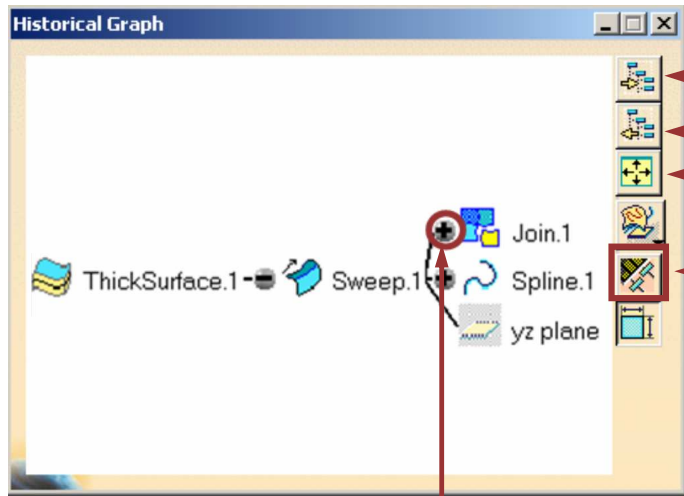
1 Select the feature from which you want to know the hierarchy.

2 Select the Historical Graph icon.

3 Select the Surface Presentation to display the surfacic hierarchical elements.



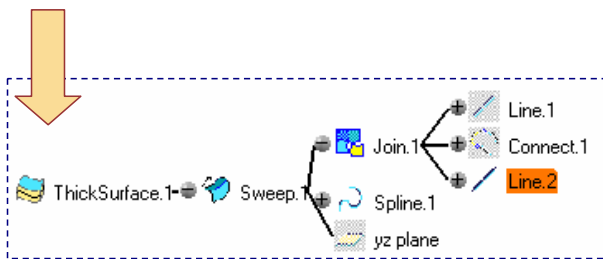
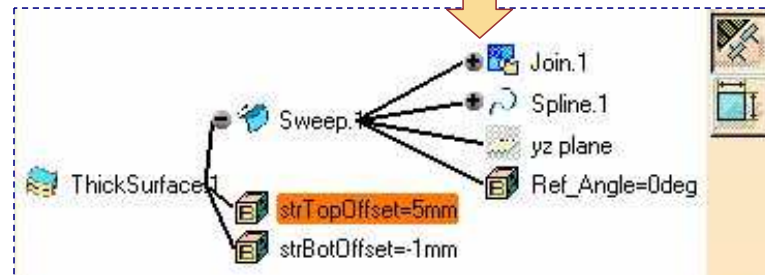
Using the Historical Graph (2/2)



- To add a Graph
- To remove the Graph
- Reframe the Graph

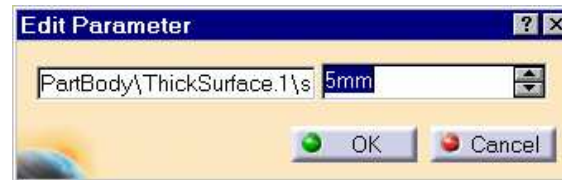
4b Select the Parameter Filter button.

4a Click on plus to expand the tree.



You can Edit and modify a Parameter directly by double click on it

Double click a feature to edit and modify it.



Why Geometrical Set Management Tools?

In V5, during the creation and trimming of surfaces, the history of parent surfaces is kept in its entirety in order to allow for automatic update of downstream geometry following a modification of any parent surface. Due to this fact, the specification tree can get large and often confusing. The tools listed below help manage this tree.

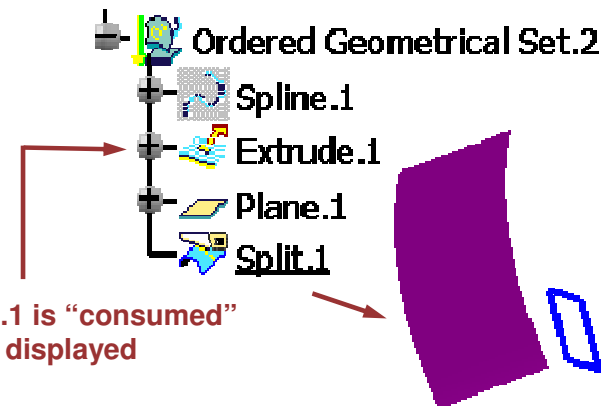
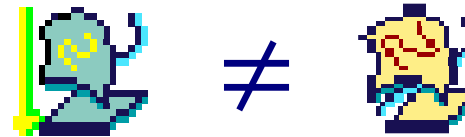
- **New Geometrical Set** : Creates a new Geometrical Set branch in the specification tree with the option of putting nodes from existing Geometrical Sets into it. (Allows for multiple groups containing related elements)
- **Duplicating a Geometrical Set** : One of the modes of this tool duplicates the Geometrical Set in its entirety. This allows the user to edit nodes in the copied Geometrical Set without affecting the original Geometrical Set.
- **Changing the Father node of a Geometrical Set** : Allows the user to change the position of a Geometrical Set in the specification tree.
- **Group** : Hides all the nodes of a Geometrical Set except for specific nodes the user chooses to see.

Why Do You Need Ordered Geometrical Sets ?

Ordered Geometrical Sets are containers like Geometrical Sets but they have additional behaviours and allow feature creation using Linear Methodology.

- Ordered Geometrical Sets allow the user to visualize the model progressing after each feature operation. User can 'Define in work Object' to any of the feature in Ordered Geometrical Set to study the model up to that stage.
- In an Ordered Geometrical set, intermediary steps are not shown in 3D Display. This results in better visualization management.
- By Reordering elements in Ordered Geometrical Sets, you can achieve different results based on Linearity.
- In ordered Geometrical sets Graphical properties are inherited from parent elements.

Ordered Geometrical Set Icon Geometrical Set Icon

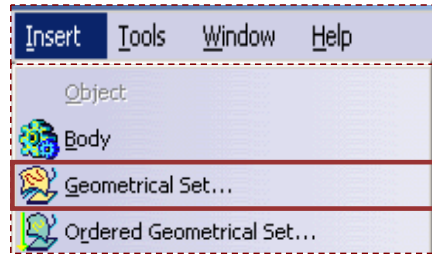


In example above Split.1 will inherit properties of Extrude.1.

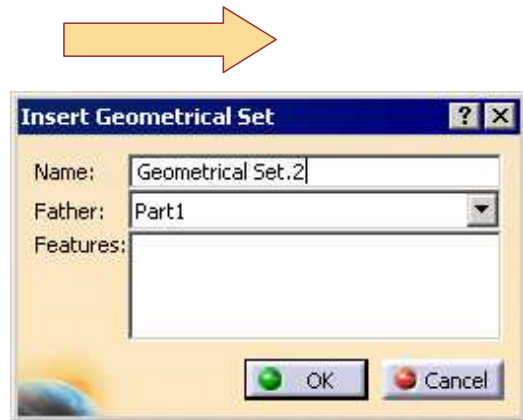


Creating a New Geometrical Set

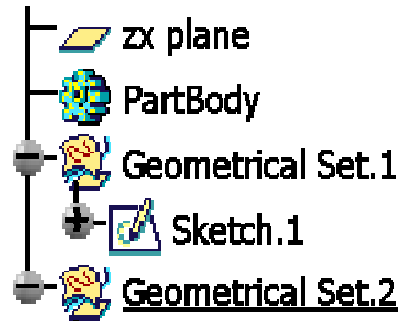
1 Insert/Geometrical Set from the Menubar.



2 Specify the node under which the new Geometrical Set will be inserted.



3 Click on OK to confirm. The new Geometrical Set is added to the specification tree.



If Geometrical Set.1 was selected as the Father, the new Geometrical Set will be created under this node.

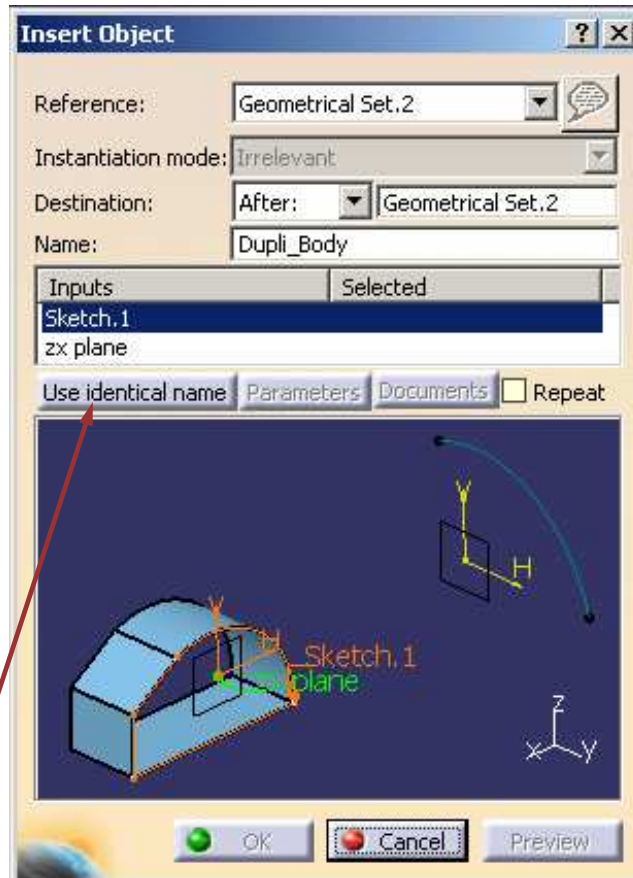
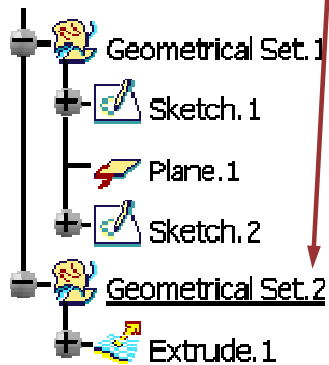
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Duplicating a Geometrical Set (1/2)

1 Select the Duplicate Geometrical Set icon in the Replication toolbar

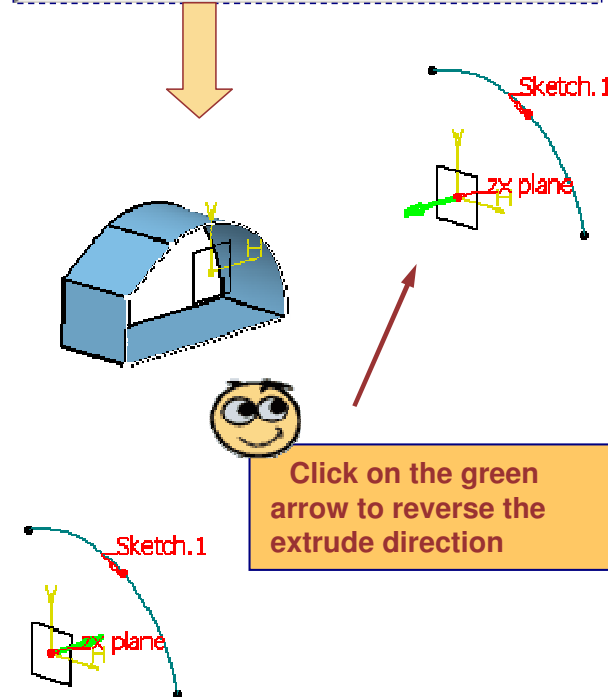


2 Select the Geometrical Set to be duplicated



3 Select the corresponding generating features as shown below

| Inputs | Selected |
|----------|----------|
| Sketch.1 | Sketch.2 |
| zx plane | Plane.1 |

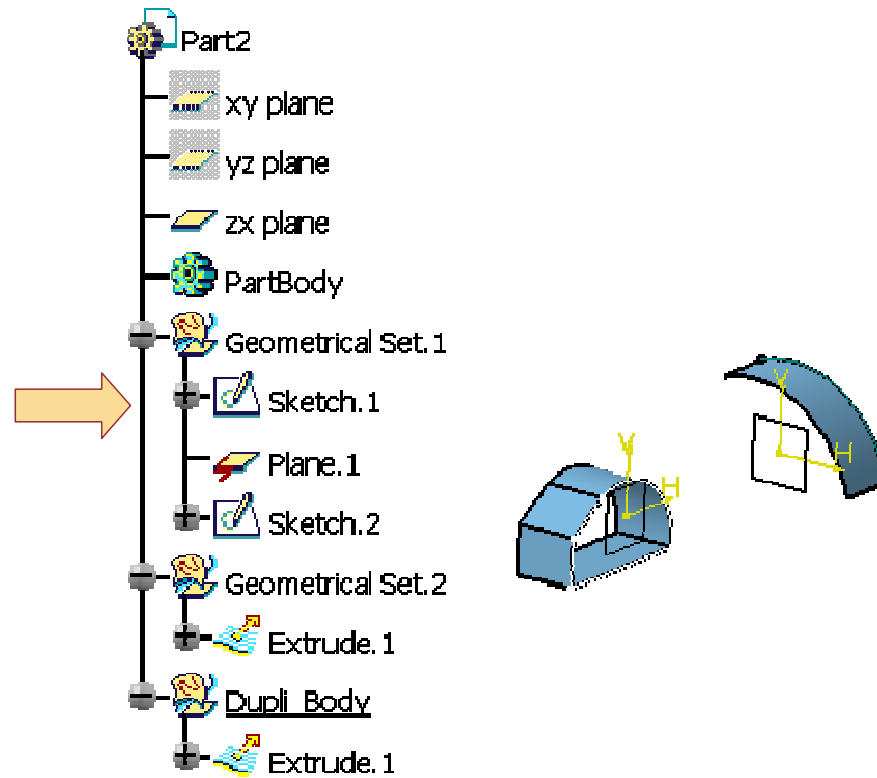
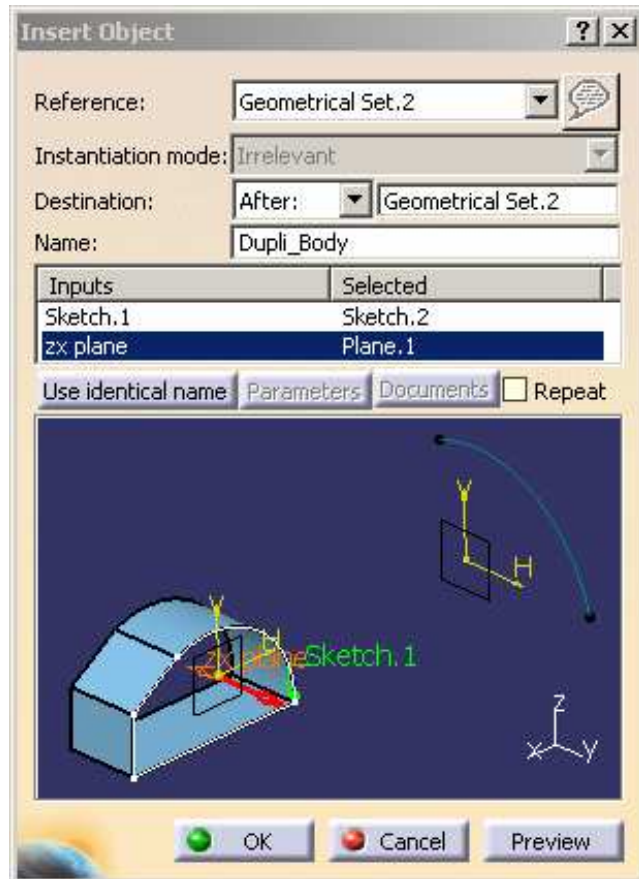


Click on the green arrow to reverse the extrude direction

Click on "Use identical name" to just create an identical second instance of the selected Geometrical Set.

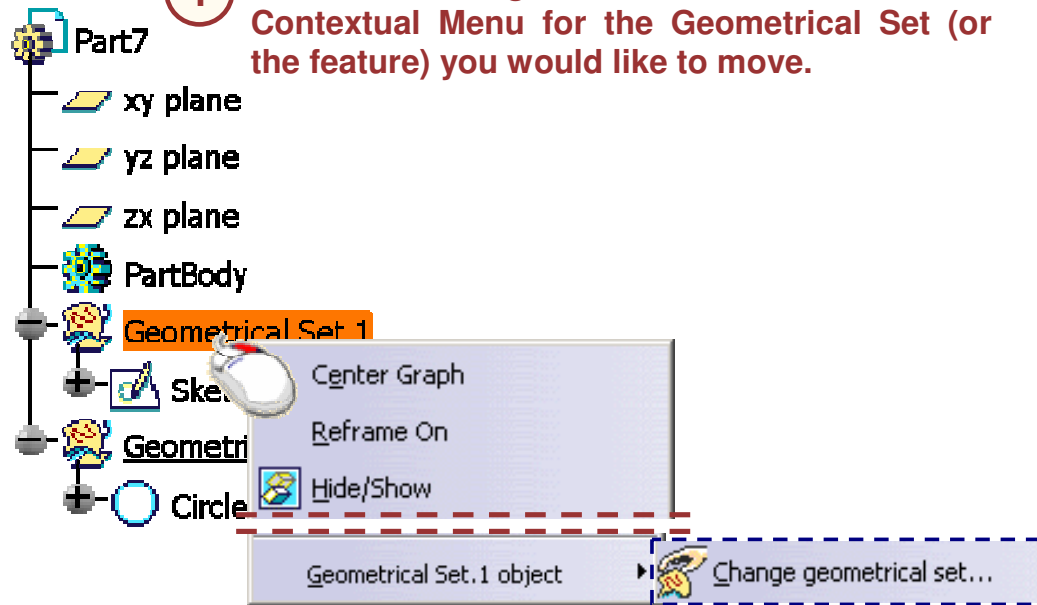
Duplicating a Geometrical Set (2/2)

- Click on OK to confirm the duplication

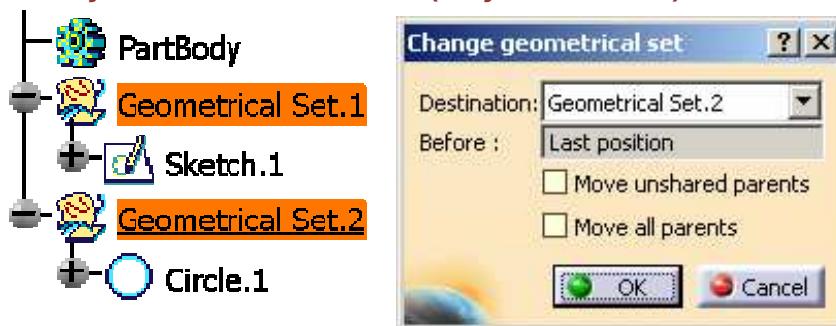


Changing the Father Node of a Geometrical Set

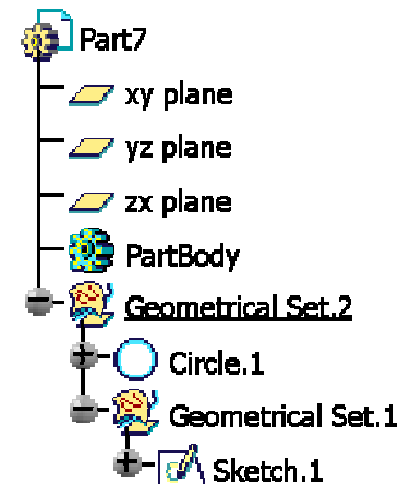
1 Activate "Change Geometrical set" in the Contextual Menu for the Geometrical Set (or the feature) you would like to move.



2 Select the destination node (new Father node) for your Geometrical Set (or your feature)



3 Click on OK to confirm.

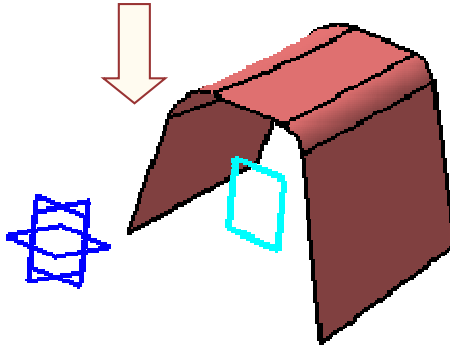


The Geometrical Set moved to its new location.

Scanning a Geometrical Set

In an Geometrical set, you can take advantage of the elements creation order to study the part's history:

In our example, the part looks like this :



The exit icon makes the selected feature the "in work object"

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As you click the scanning icons, the in work object changes and so does the displayed part.

1 Let's have a look at the design order using "Scan or define in work object":

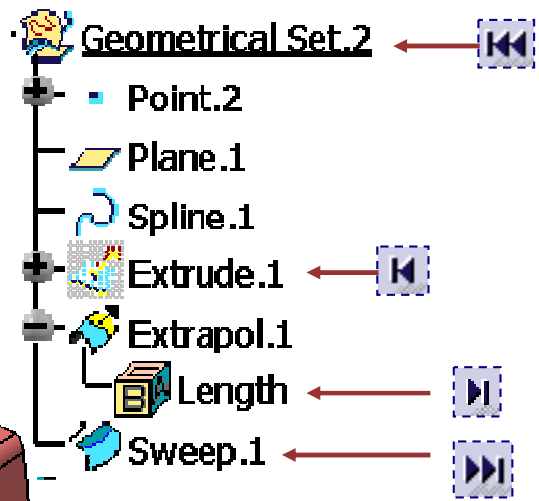
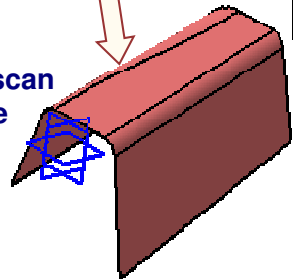


2 This "Scan" window appears:



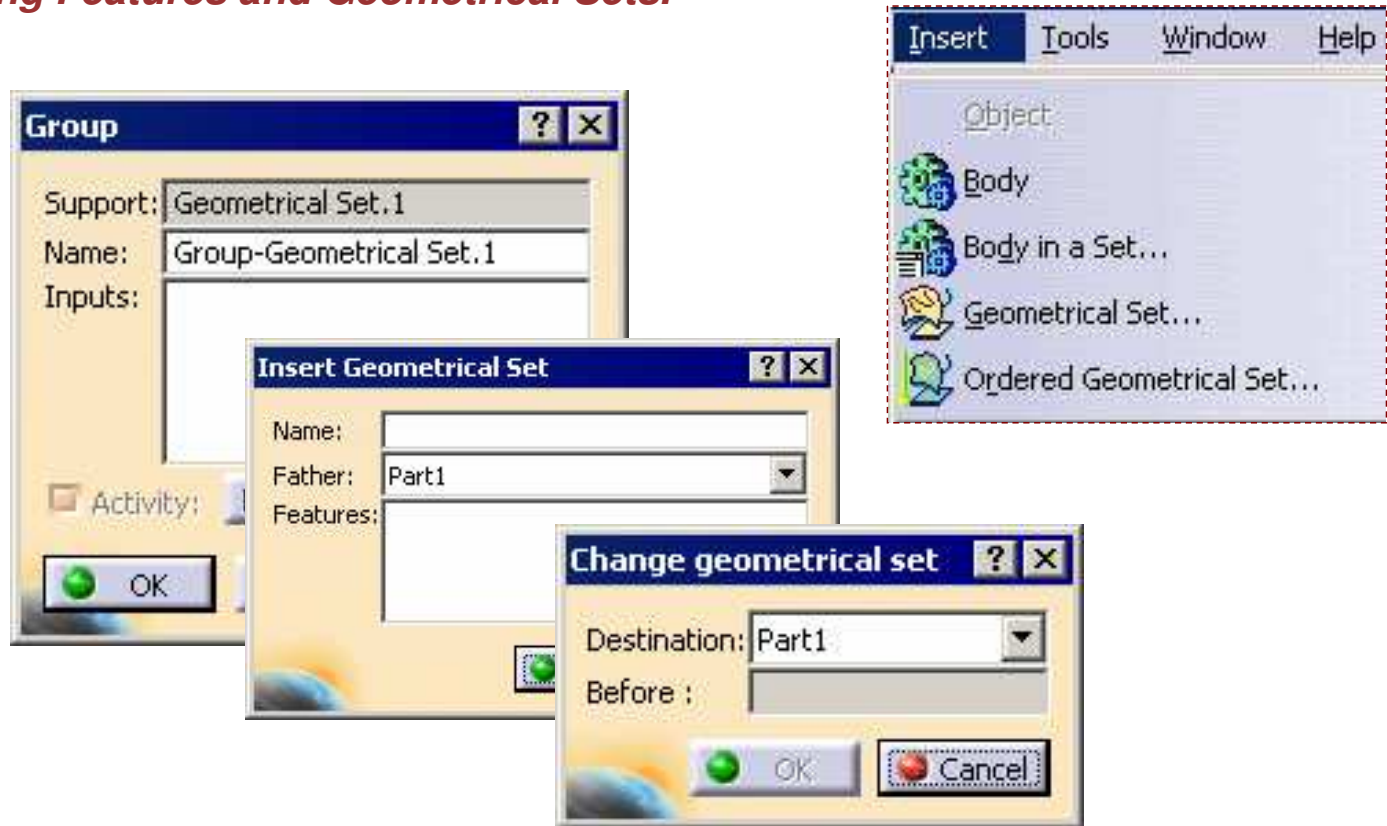
You may use it to scan the geometry in the specification tree.

In work object
Displayed part



Geometrical Sets – Recommendations

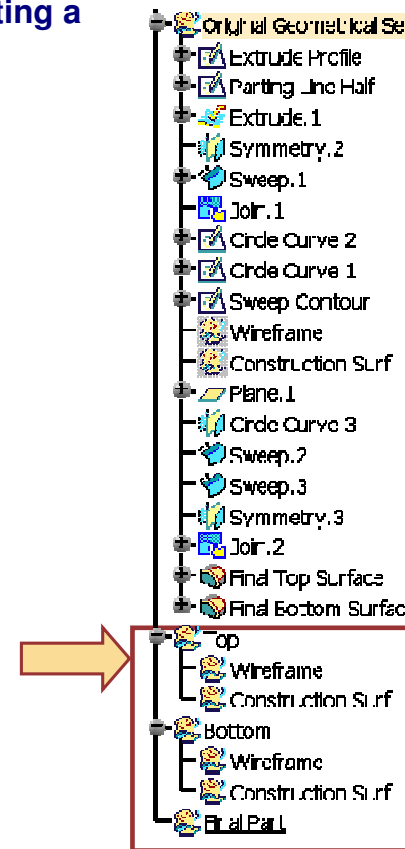
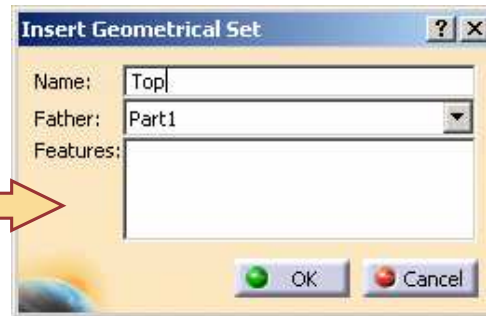
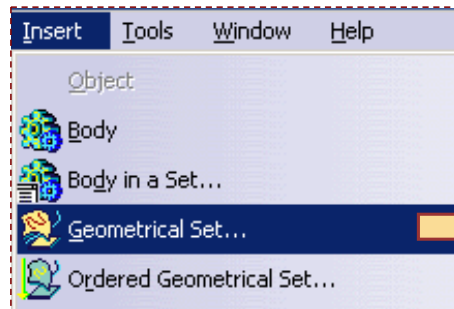
You will learn about specific methods and recommendations concerning Managing Features and Geometrical Sets.



Using Geometrical Sets to organize Geometry (1/4)

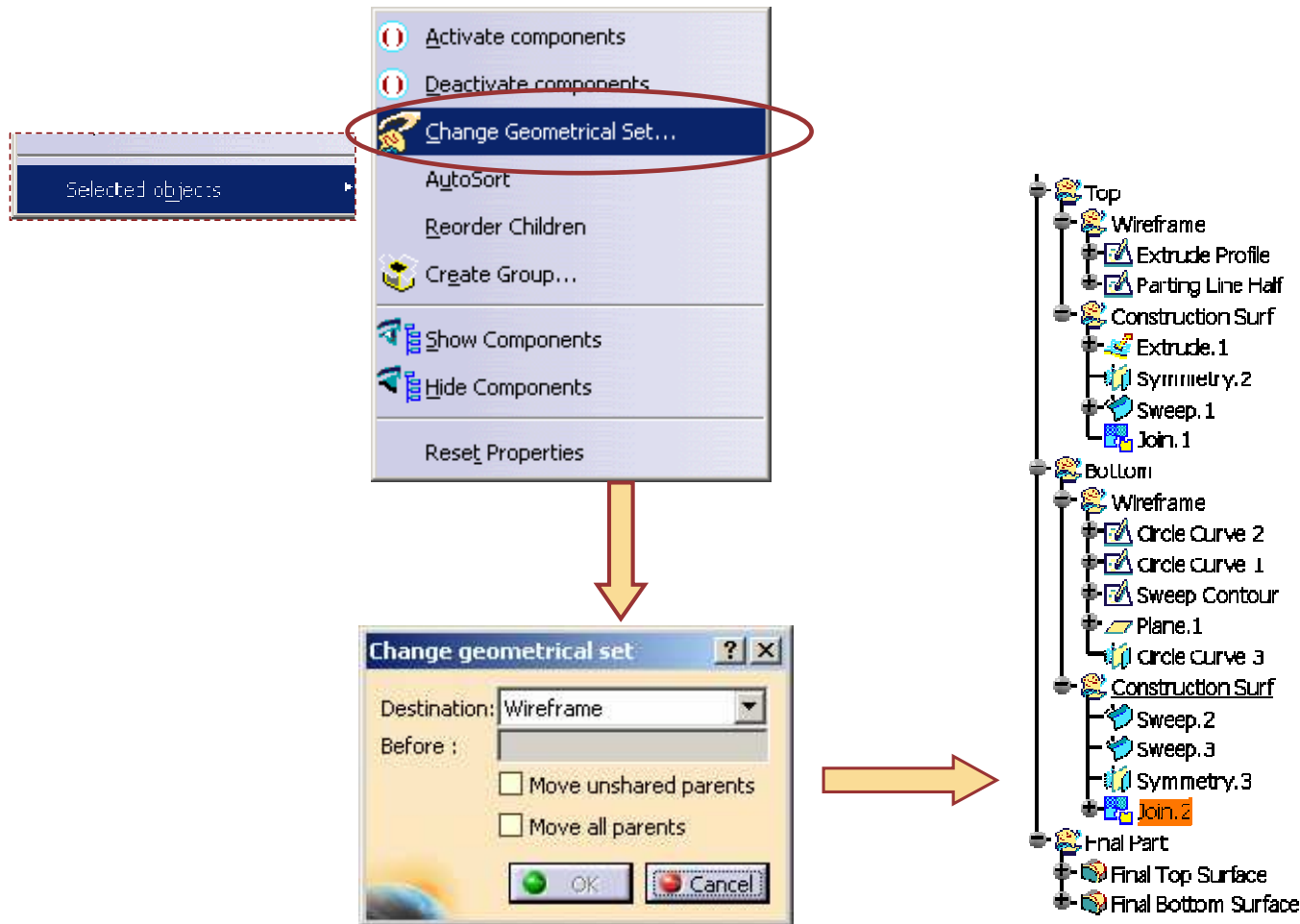
Geometrical Sets can be used to not only organize the geometry in a part, but can also be used to manage the visualization of those geometric features. Here is how that works:

- Create a Geometrical Set structure. Consider this step similar to creating a folder structure. Make sure you rename the Geometrical Set in a meaningful way.



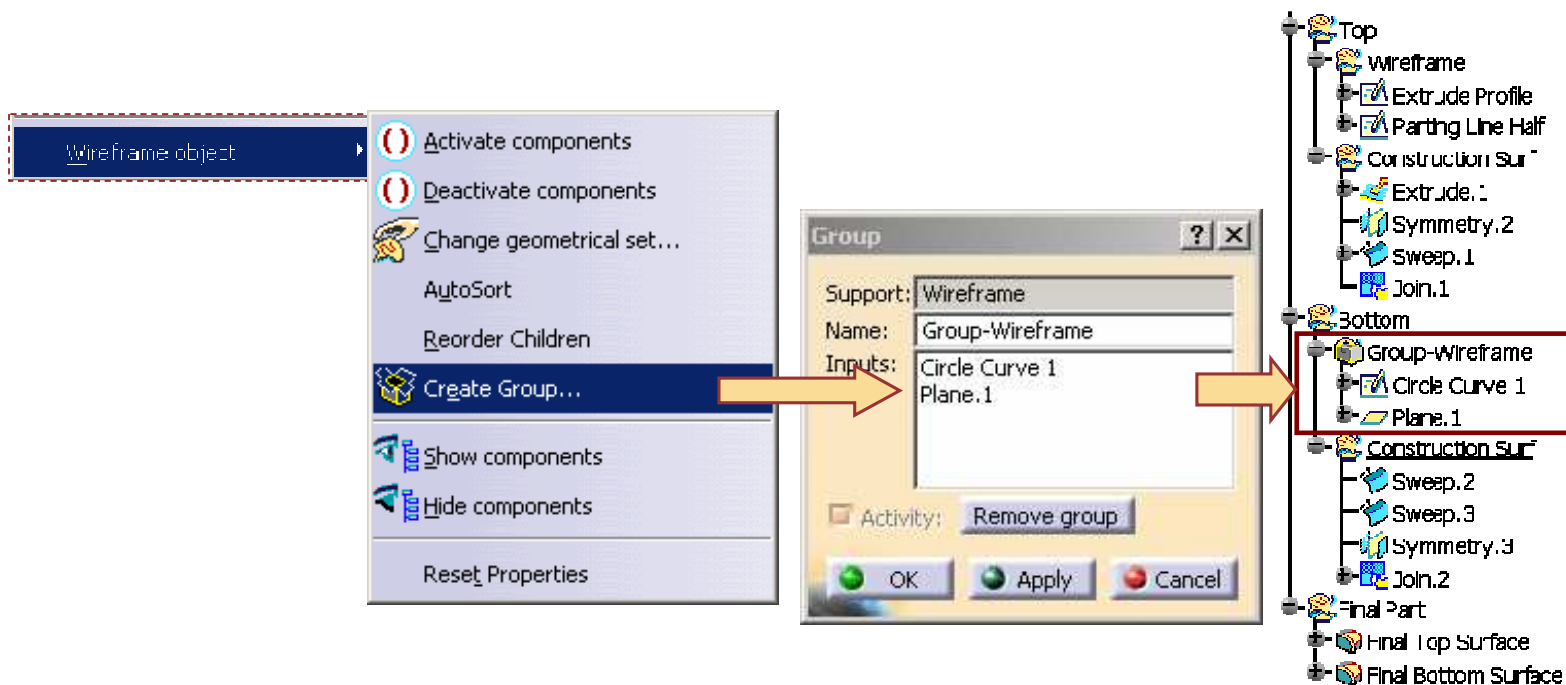
Using Geometrical Sets to organize Geometry (2/4)

- Move features into the appropriate Geometrical Set.



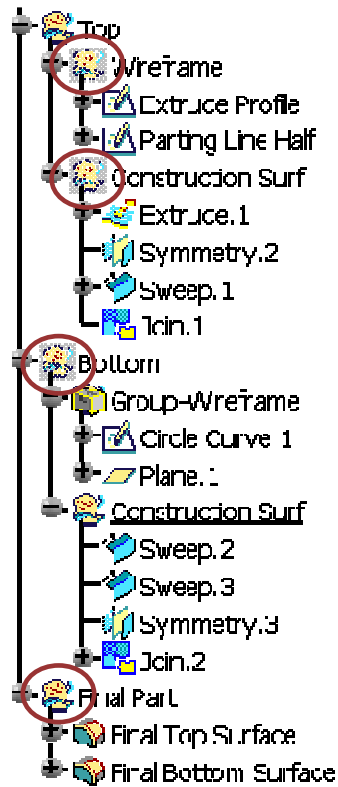
Using Geometrical Sets to organize Geometry (3/4)

- Use groups to reduce the volume of features shown for any Geometrical Set.



Using Geometrical Sets to organize Geometry (4/4)

- HIDE/SHOW various combinations of Geometrical Sets to visualize different areas of the design.



Student Notes:

Ordered or Standard Geometrical Set (1/2)

GS and OGS are independent entities having different capabilities. Designer has an option to choose GS or OGS based on the design requirement.

Here are some facts about GS and OGS listed in the following table:

| SL.No | Geometrical set | Ordered Geometrical set |
|-------|--|---|
| 01 | Elements in this set can be shuffled irrespective of their sequence of creation | Elements in this set maintain the linearity with respect to their order of creation |
| 02 | Consists of only wireframes and surfaces | Consists of wireframes, surfaces and solid bodies |
| 03 | The parent element in this set is not absorbed after any operation. Hence an element can be used & re-used at different levels | The parent in this set is absorbed after performing an operation |
| 04 | Features in this set cannot be set as “in work object” where as the body can be set as “in work object” | Any feature in this set can be set as “in work object” and the features located after it are neither accessible nor visible |

Student Notes:

Ordered or Standard Geometrical Set (2/2)

| SL.No | Geometrical set | Ordered Geometrical set |
|-------|---|--|
| 05 | Maintains better flexibility | Maintains better linearity in design flow understanding |
| 06 | Geometrical sets cannot be switched to Ordered geometrical sets | Ordered Geometrical sets can be switched to Geometrical sets |
| 07 | Two or more Geometrical sets can be grouped to form a “Grouped Geometrical Set” | These cannot be grouped |
| 08 | As it consists only wireframe elements & surfaces it is not compatible for Boolean operations with solid bodies | This supports the volumes & can hold volume features this makes OGS compatible with boolean operations with Solid bodies |



This set can be recommended for use when working with non-hybrid environments and also when linearity is not a criteria



This set can be recommended for use when working with hybrid environments where a model is a combined result of GSD & Part Design. (Also GSO sometimes).

Student Notes:

Hybrid or Non-Hybrid Bodies

| SL.No | Hybrid | Non-Hybrid |
|-------|---|--|
| 01 | Hybrid Body is recommended, when a designer requires a combination of solid and surface based modeling under a single body. | Non-Hybrid body is recommended when designer opts for a method of modeling the solid features & surface features independently in separate bodies. |
| 02 | This is used to maintains the linearity in sequence of feature creation. | In this the sequence of creation is divided in different bodies based on surfacic OR solid features. |



Hybrid bodies are recommended when the modeling requires surfacic parents or volumes



Non Hybrid bodies are recommended when the model can be built using only solids OR only surfaces.

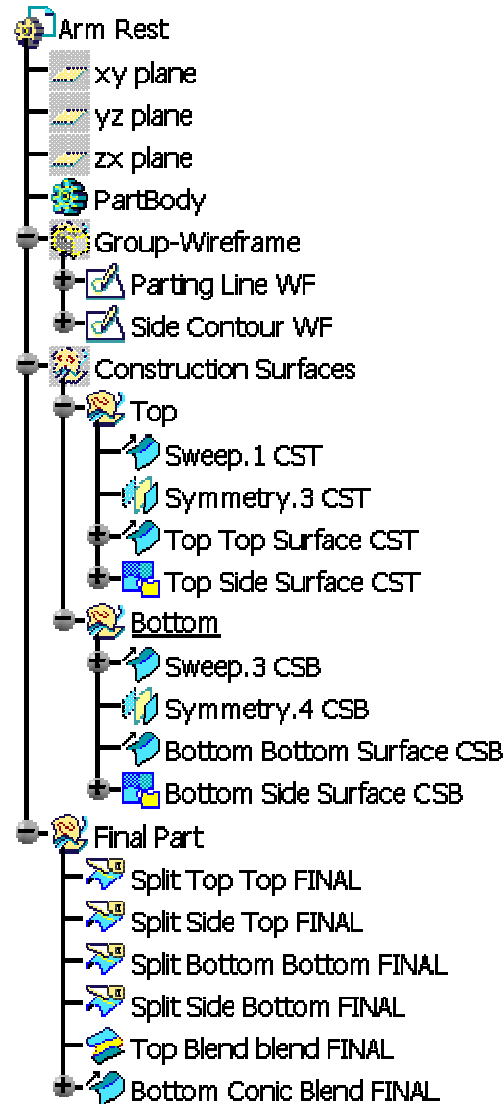
Managing Features

Recap Exercise



15 min

- Create the necessary Geometric Sets
- Relocate features into the appropriate Geometric Set
- Hide/Show combinations of Geometric Sets



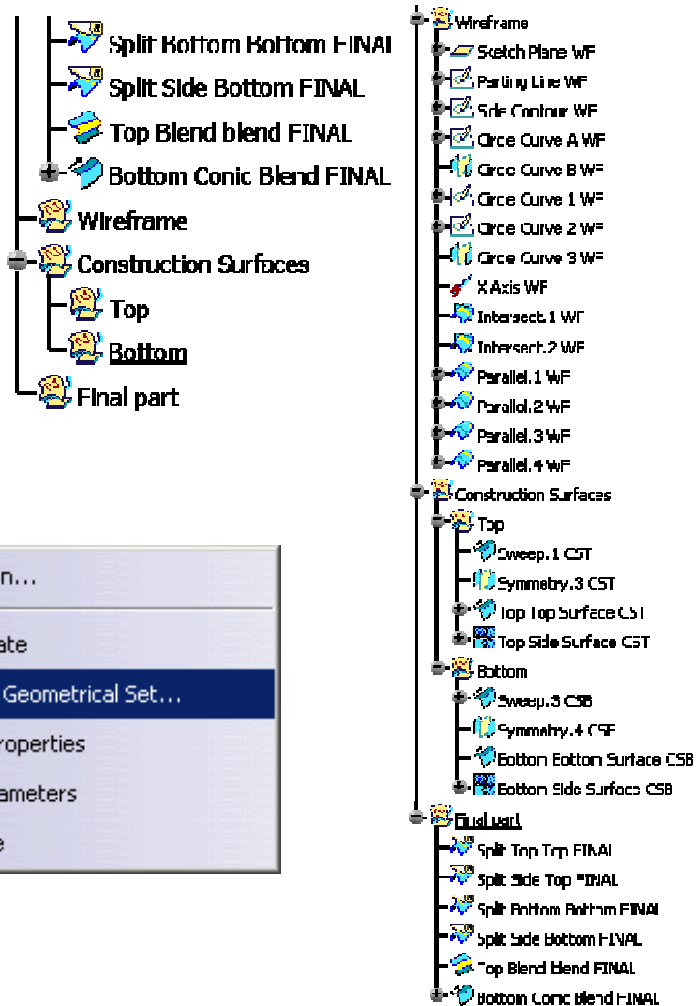
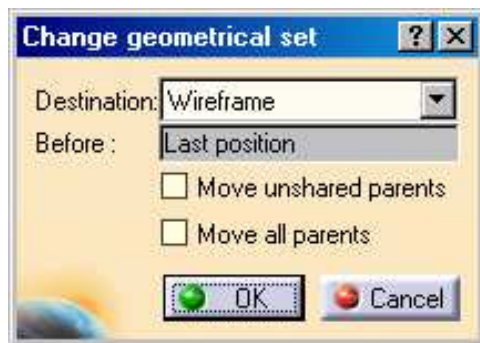
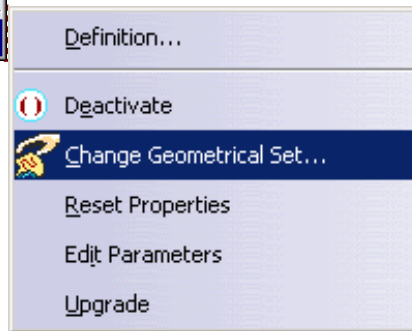
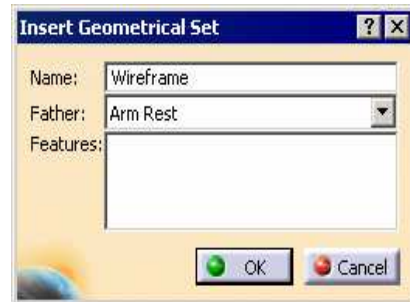
Do It Yourself (1/2)



Part used:
CATGSD_F_Managing_Features_and_Geometrical_Sets_Recap_begin.CATPart

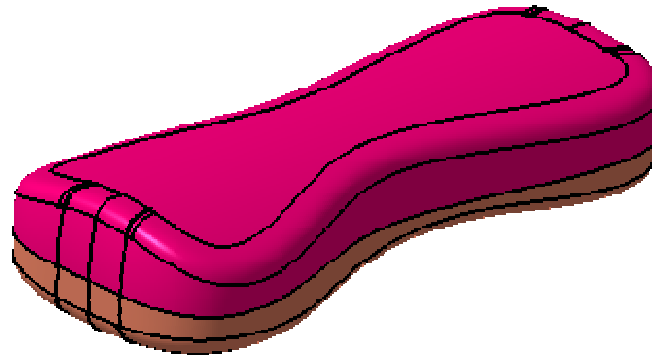
1. Create new Geometrical Sets to form a logical feature organizational structure.

2. Relocate features into the appropriate Geometric set. For clarity, you will be relocating features according to the name the feature has been provided.

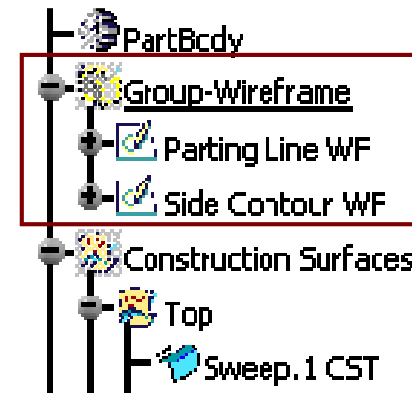


Do It Yourself (2/2)

3. Visualize only the FINAL PART.



4. Create a GROUP for the Wireframe Geometrical Set.



End Part:CATGSD_F_Managing_Features_and_Geometrical_Sets_Recap_end.CATPart

Shampoo Bottle

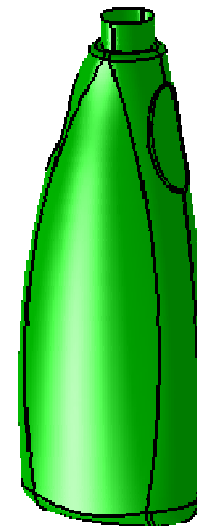
Recap Exercise: Surface Design Overview



40 min

In this exercise you will:

- Create, analyse and modify the wireframes and surfaces using advance tools of Generative Shape Design
- Learn that, high quality surface can be achieved using advance tools of Generative Shape Design



Design Intent: Shampoo Bottle (1/2)

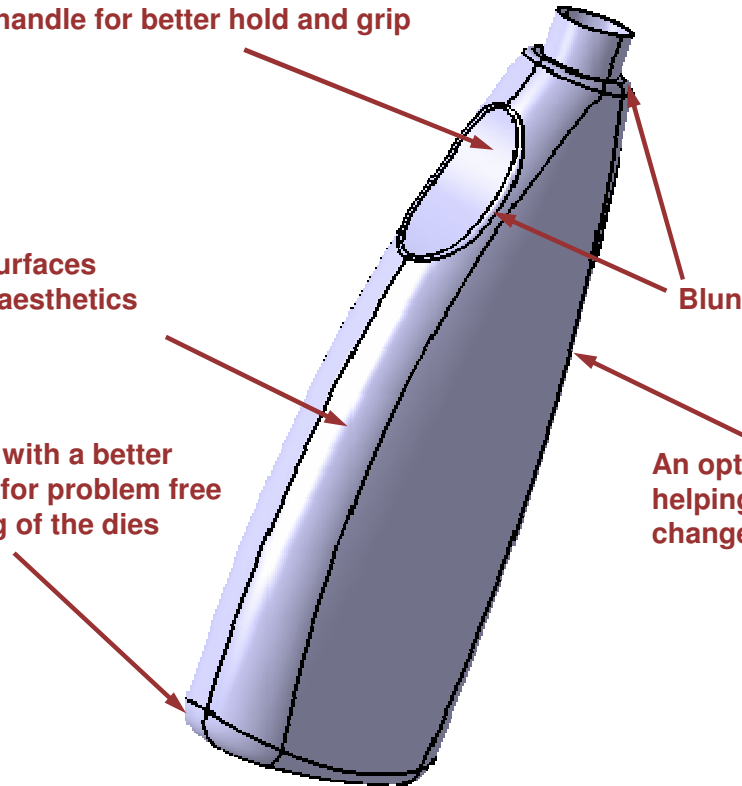
A dipped handle for better hold and grip

Smooth surfaces for better aesthetics

A surface with a better Topology for problem free machining of the dies

Blunt edges for safe handling

An optimized wireframe structure helping easy modifications during change in Shapes and Styling

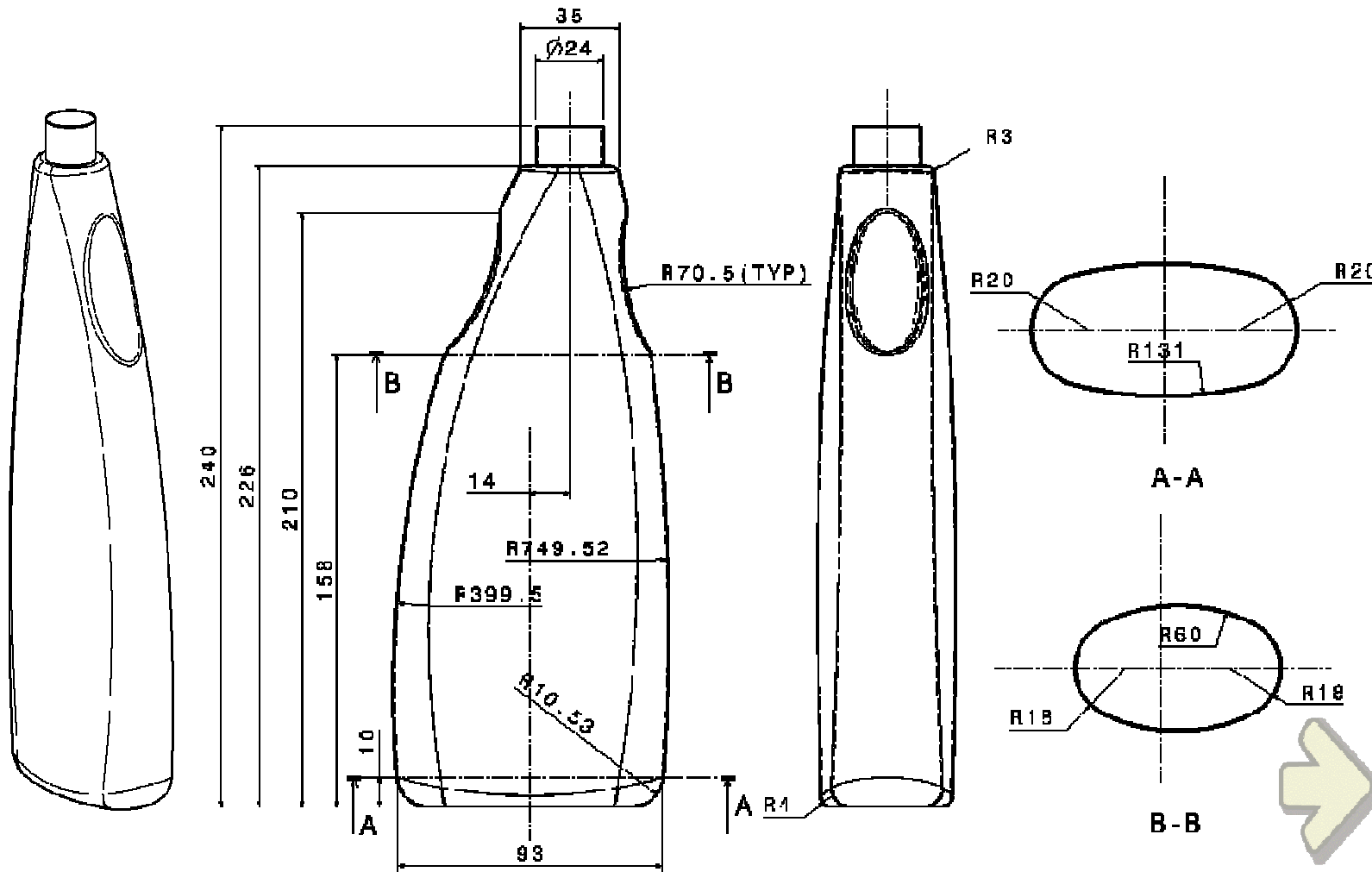


Design Intent: Shampoo Bottle (2/2)

Build the Shampoo Bottle geometry using the shown specifications

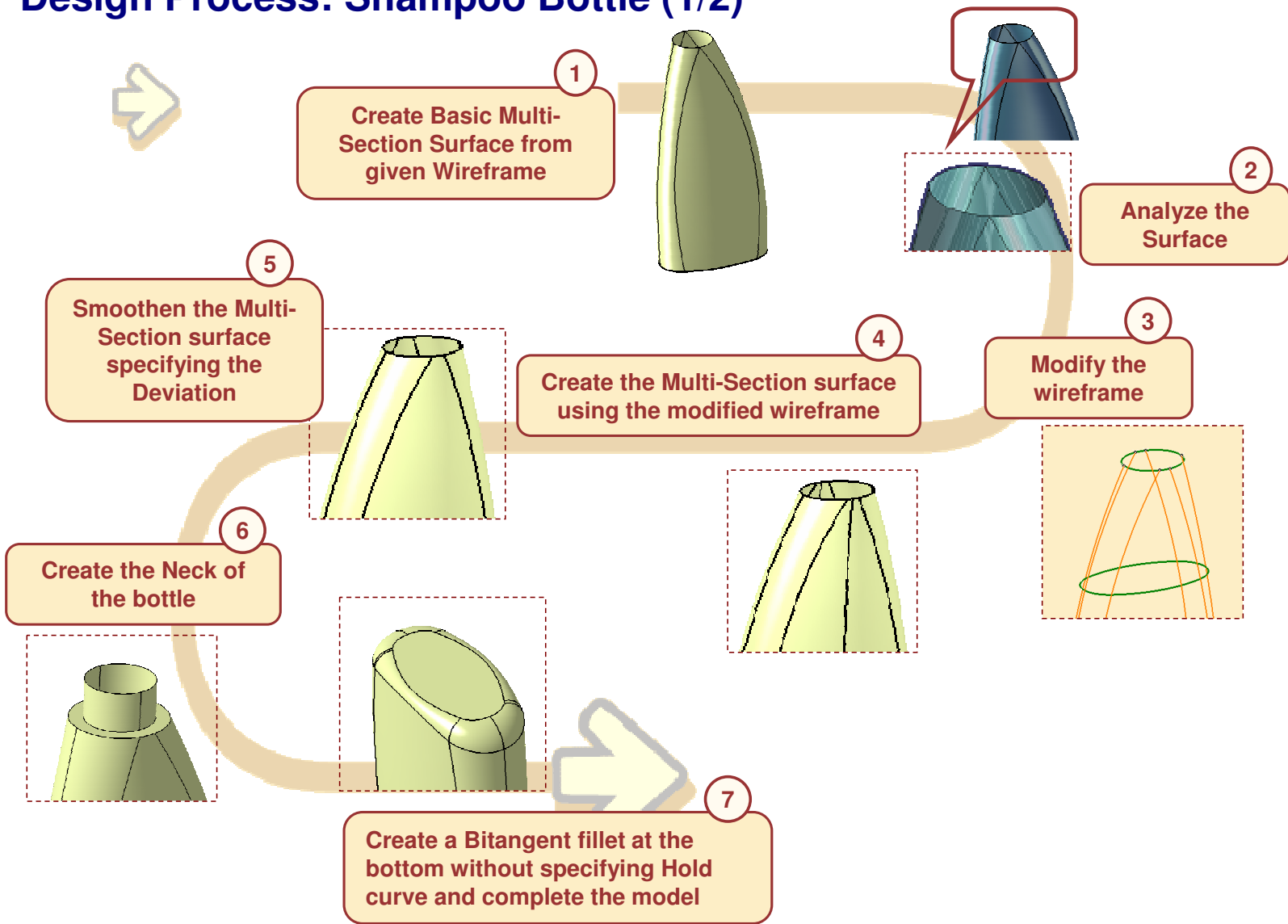
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Student Notes:

Design Process: Shampoo Bottle (1/2)



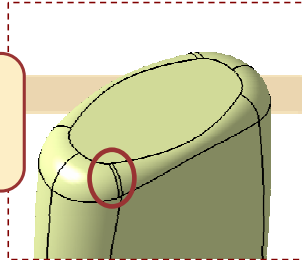
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Design Process: Shampoo Bottle (2/2)



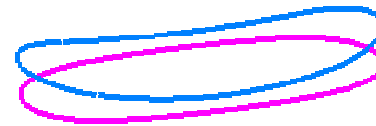
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Analyze the surface for broken fillet at the bottom



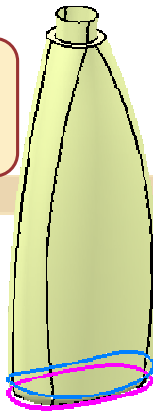
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Create a 'Hold curve' using 'intersection' and spine using 'curve Smooth'



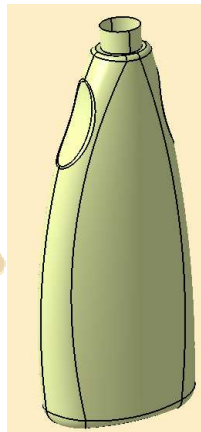
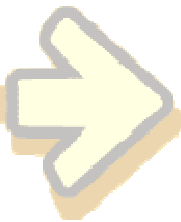
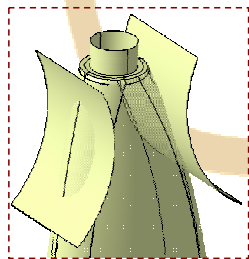
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Modify the Bitangent Fillet using Hold curve and spine



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Create the Bottle Handle

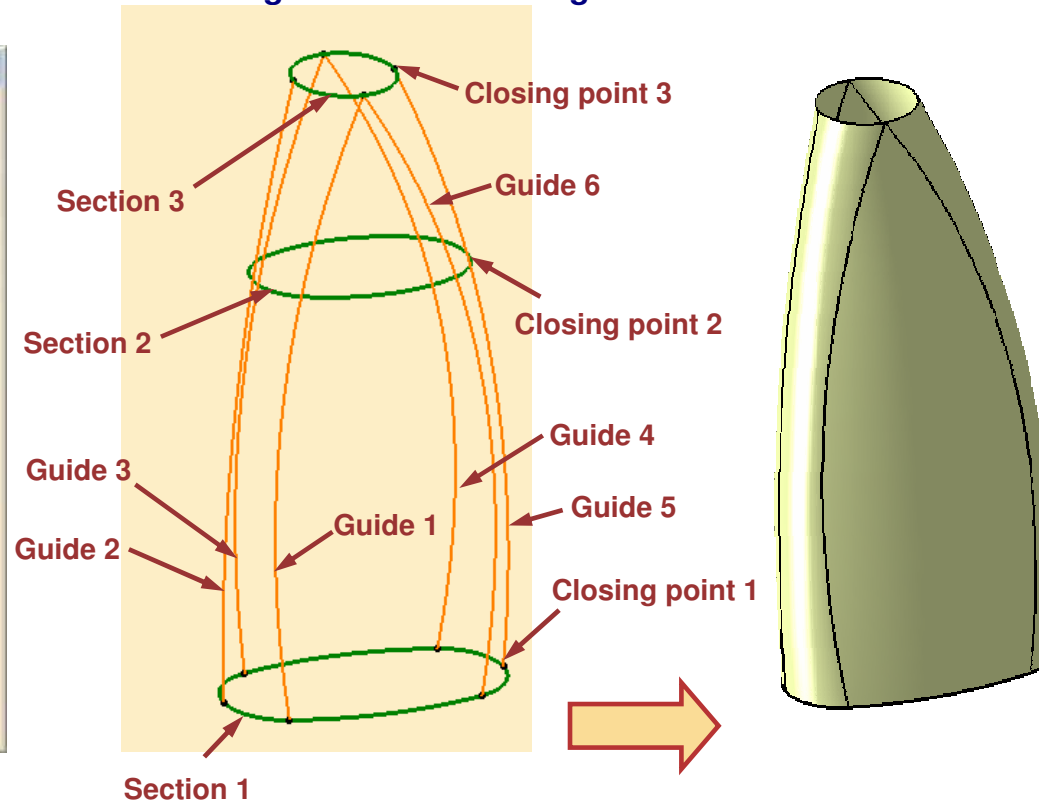
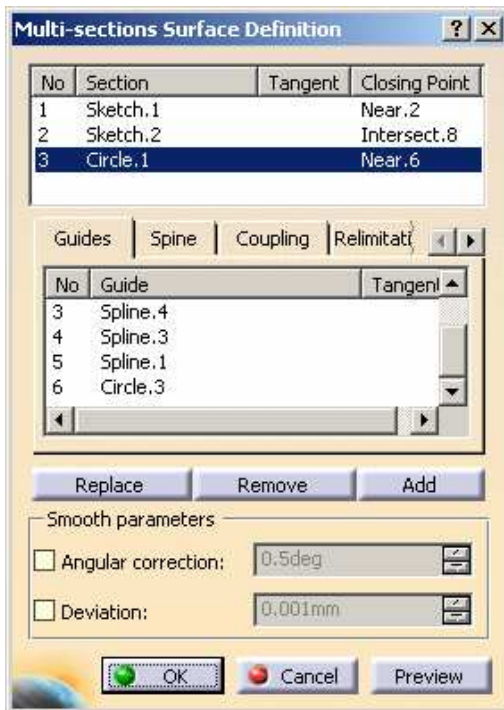


Do it Yourself (1/11)



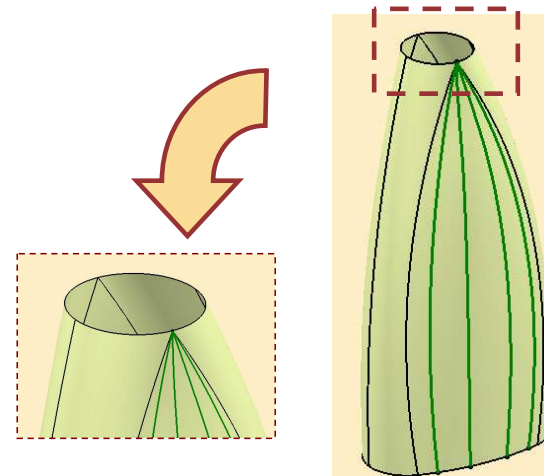
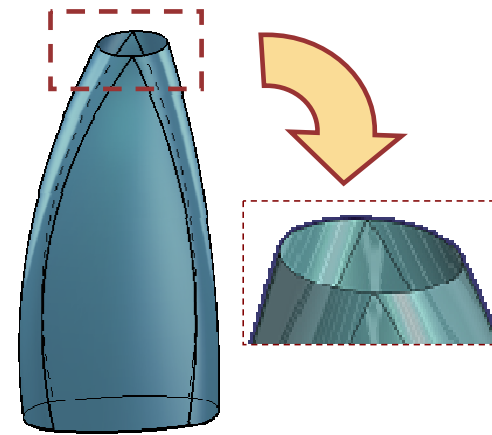
Part Used: CATGSD_F_Shampoo Bottle_Start.CatPart

- Create Basic surfaces using the given wireframe. This surface will then be analyzed for quality
 - ◆ Create a Multi-Section surface from the given sections and guide curves



Do it Yourself (2/11)

- Analyze the surface quality visually
 - ◆ Apply the material specifications to the surfaces-
 - DS Light Blue
 You will find the distortion on the surface formed by three edges, at the converging point
 - ◆ Change the View to “Shading with Edges” mode.
- You will Create the Isoparametric curves to see the segmentation of the surface
 - ◆ Invoke the Isoparametric curves function
 - Insert > Wireframe > Isoparametric curves
 - ◆ Select a point on the surface(support) where you would require the curve. Swap U V if required contextually, and confirm OK to create the curve
 - ◆ Similarly extract the few more Isoparametric curves.



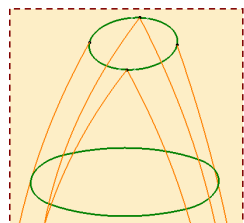
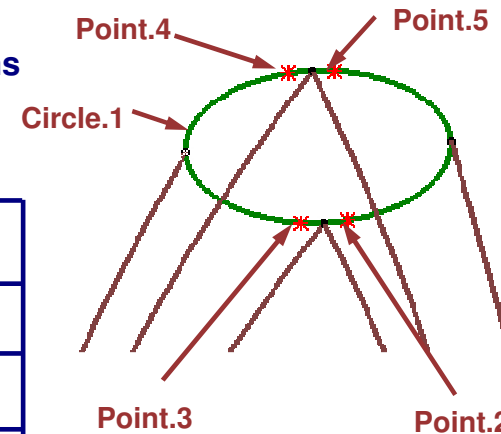
You will observe that the Isoparametric curves intersect each other at the same converging point. This signifies that the surface is NOT of good quality.

Do it Yourself (3/11)

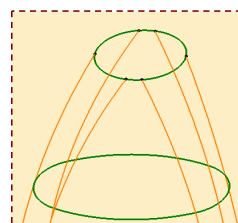
To improve the surface quality you will improve the quality of wireframe.

- Modify the wireframe to achieve a good quality surface
 - ◆ Deactivate all the Isoparametric curves before modifications
 - ◆ Create Four points using “Point on Curve”

| Name | Curve | Ref Point | Length |
|---------|----------|-----------|--------|
| Point 2 | Circle 1 | Near 3 | 3 mm |
| Point 3 | Circle 1 | Near 3 | 3 mm |
| Point 4 | Circle 1 | Near 4 | 3 mm |
| Point 5 | Circle 1 | Near 4 | 3 mm |



Wireframe with guide curves converging at same point.

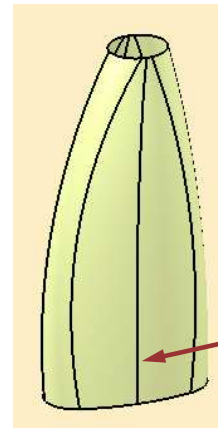
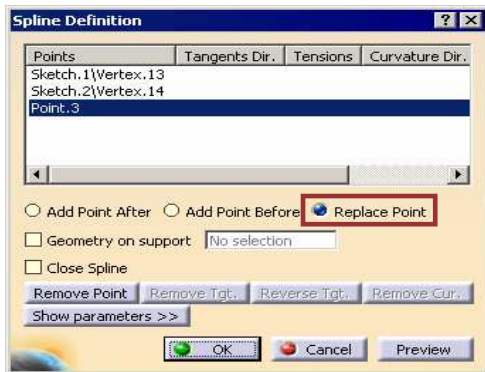


Wireframe modified to achieve a good quality surface.

Once you finish the modification of wireframe. You can activate the Isoparametric curves to visualize the changes. Deactivate or delete these curves after your study.

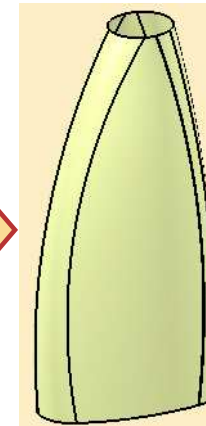
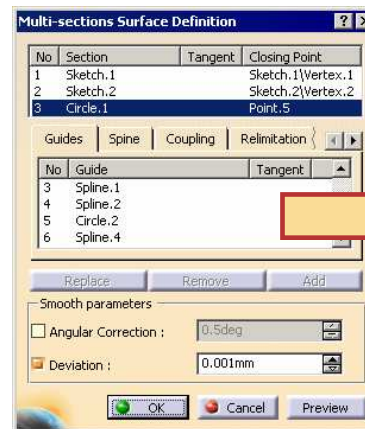
Do it Yourself (4/11)

- Modify Guide curves using the new points to overcome the problem of point converged surface
 - ◆ Replace the end points(Near.3 and Near.4) of Splines 1,2,3 and 4 by new points created



Multi-section surface gets updated according to the modified wireframe. A smooth edge is created on the surface forming two faces which would affect the aesthetics of the bottle.

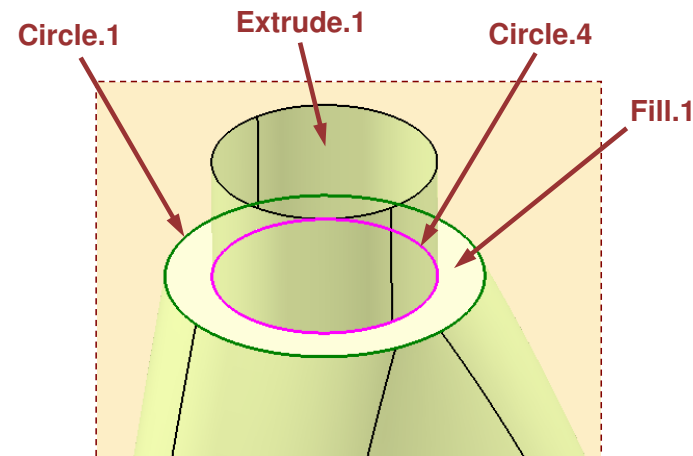
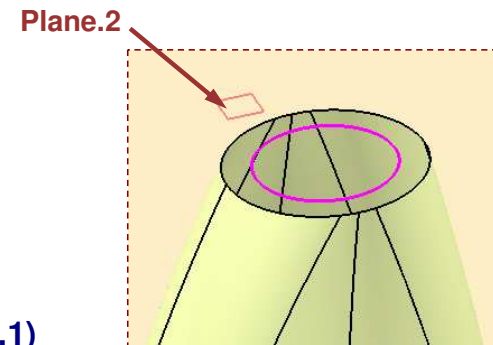
- Specify deviation value in smooth parameter box to achieve smooth surface
 - ◆ Edit Multi-section surface and select the Deviation checkbox in smooth parameters
 - ◆ Specify the value as 0.001mm (default value) and click OK



With the smoothing parameters the two faces are converted into a single face. This is achieved by specifying the Deviation parameter.

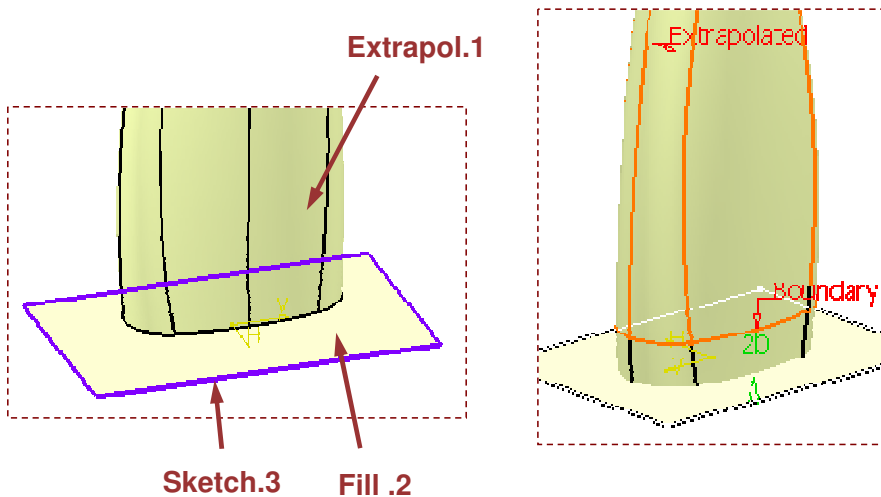
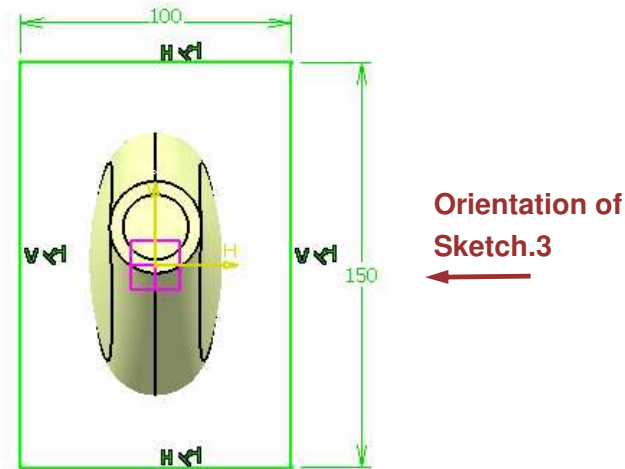
Do it Yourself (5/11)

- Create the top portion of the bottle
 - ◆ Create Circle.4 of type “Center and Radius”
 - Center: Point.1, Support: Plane. 2
 - Radius: 12mm
 - ◆ Create fill.1 by filling Circle.1
 - ◆ Extrude Circle.4 to create neck portion of the bottle (Extrude.1)
 - Direction : XY Plane
 - Limit 1 : Up to plane.1



Do it Yourself (6/11)

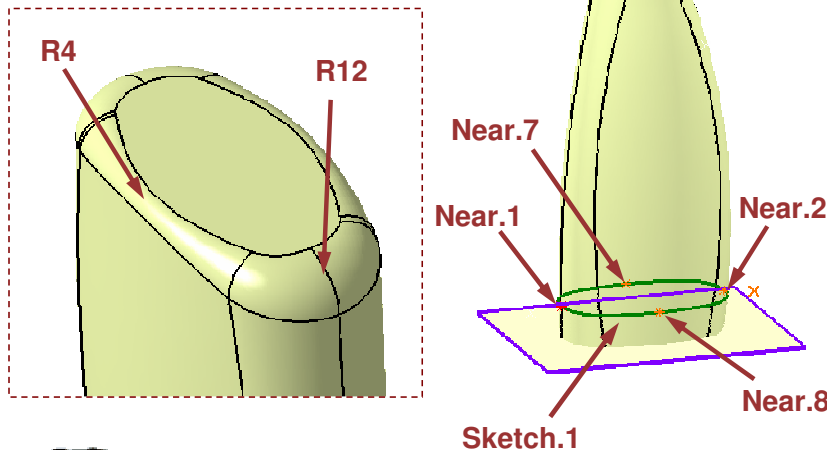
- Create a fillet at the bottom of the bottle
 - ◆ Sketch a Rectangular Profile into Sketch.3 on XY Plane.
 - Profile :100X150mm
 - ◆ Create fill.2 by filling Sketch.3
 - ◆ Extrapolate Multi-Section Surface.1 up to 20mm using Curvature Continuity and Tangent continuity as Propagation .



Do it Yourself (7/11)

- ◆ Create Intersection.9 between Sketch.1 and ZX Plane, creating the points Near.7 and Near.8 from Intersection.9. (Use Plane.7 and Plane.8 as reference)
- ◆ Create Bitangent Fillet between Fill.2 and Extrapol.1, specify sketch.1 as a Spine. Use Implicit Law to define the radius.

| Num | Points | Radius |
|-----|--------|--------|
| 1 | Near.2 | 12mm |
| 2 | Near.7 | 4mm |
| 3 | Near.1 | 12mm |
| 4 | Near.8 | 4mm |



Law Parameters as specified



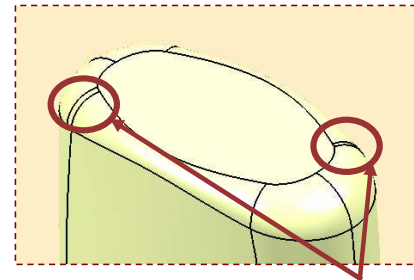
Clear the default selection in the box if any. Select all 4 points manually as specified.

Do it Yourself (8/11)

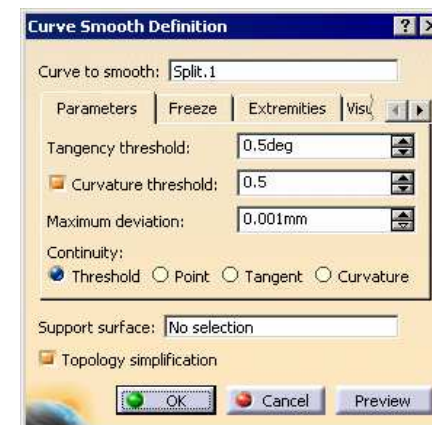
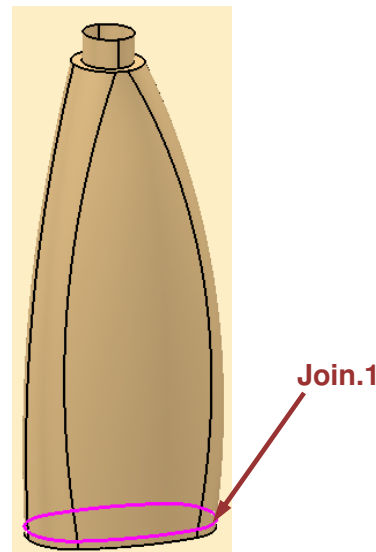
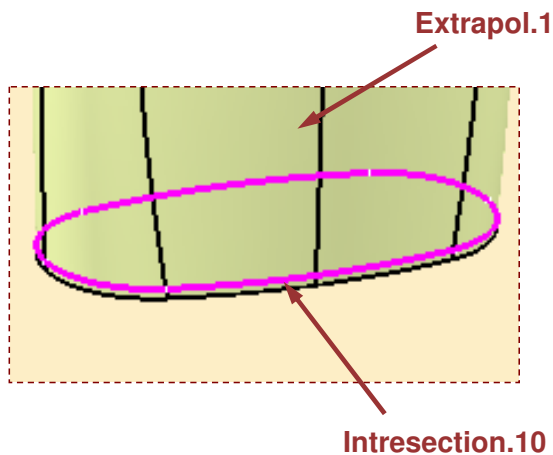
Observe that fillet.1 has a broken faces at few of areas. To overcome this, you will have to use the advance options of Bitangent fillet to achieve a good quality surface.

Create a smoother Spine

- ◆ Create Intersection.10 between Extrapol.1 and XY Plane
- ◆ Split the Intersection.10 by YZ Plane
- ◆ Smooth the resultant curve(Split.1) using 'Curve Smooth'
- ◆ Symmetry Curve Smooth.1 about YZ plane
- ◆ Join Curve Smooth.1 and Symmetry.1 to form Join.1



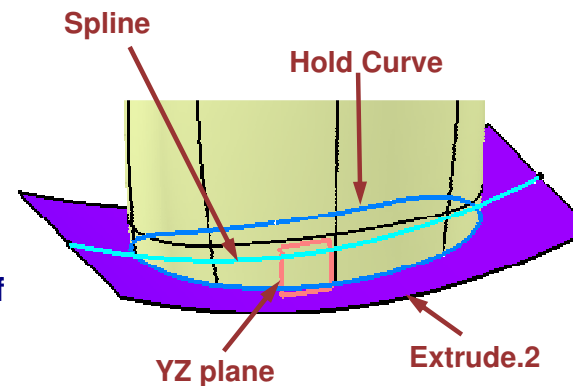
Broken faces



Do it Yourself (9/11)

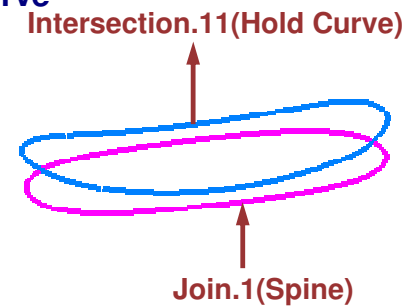
■ Create a 'Hold Curve'

- ◆ Create a Spline on YZ plane passing through co-ordinates
 - H= 65, V =16
 - H= 0, V = 4
 - H= -65 , V =16
 - Keeping 'origin' as reference point.
- ◆ Using Spline as input curve, create an Extrude(Extrude.2) of length 40mm each side
- ◆ Create an Intersection.11 between Extrude.2 and Extrapol.1



■ Modify the Bitangent Fillet.1

- ◆ Replace the spine by Join.1 and select Intersection.11 as a Hold Curve
- ◆ Observe the modified fillet surface getting improved after using advance options

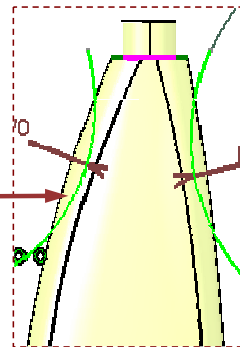


Do it Yourself (10/11)

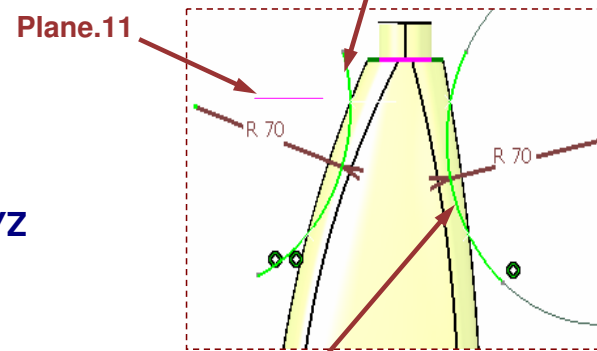
- Create the Handle portion of the bottle
 - ◆ Create a plane.11 at distance of 210mm from XY Plane using offset Plane function
 - ◆ Create an intersection.12 and Intersection.13
 - First Element : Plane.11
 - Second Element : Circle.2 + Circle.3
 - ◆ Create two Arcs of Radius 70 mm in Sketch.4 on YZ plane. Create a sketch output for one of the arcs



Create Sketch Output of this Arc



This arc will coincided with Intersection.8 and Intersection.13



This arc will coincided with Intersection.7 and Intersection.12

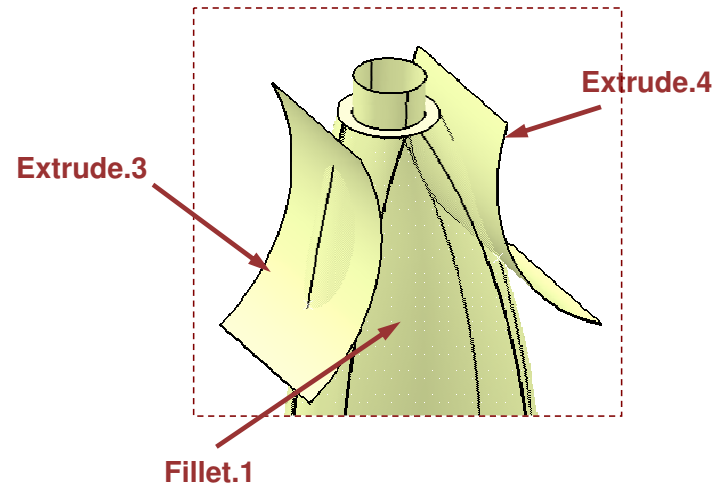
- ◆ Create Extrude.3 and Extrude.4 surface using sketch.4 along YZ direction with the length 30mm both sides.

Do it Yourself (11/11)

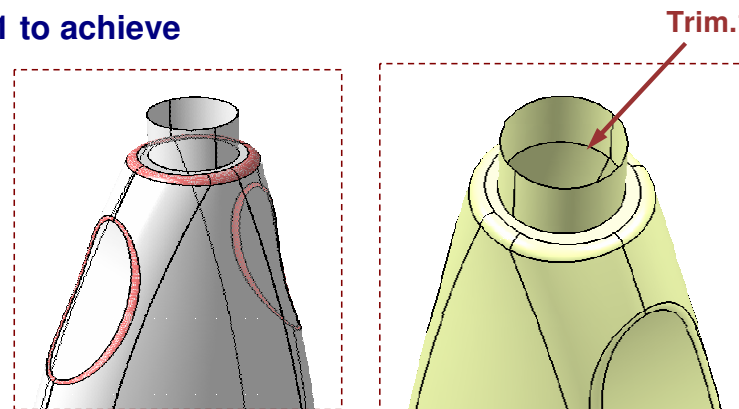
■ Create the Fillets(Blunt Edges) at Handle and neck area of the bottle

◆ Create a BiTangent fillet of radius 3 mm between:

| First Element | Second Element |
|---------------|----------------|
| Extrude.3 | Fillet.1 |
| Extrude.4 | Fillet.2 |
| Fillet.3 | Fill.1 |



◆ Create a Trim.1 between Fillet.4 and Extrude.1 to achieve hole neck opening



End Part: CATGSD_F_Shampoo_Bottle_End.CATPart



This exercise will demonstrate that surfaces of high quality can be achieved using advance tools of Generative Shape Design

Creating Advanced Wireframe Features

This lesson will cover the following advanced wireframe geometry topics:

- About this Lesson
- MD2/GSD Wireframe versus HD2/GSD Wireframe
- Creating an Extremum
- Creating a Connect Curve
- Recap Exercise: Advanced Wireframe Geometry

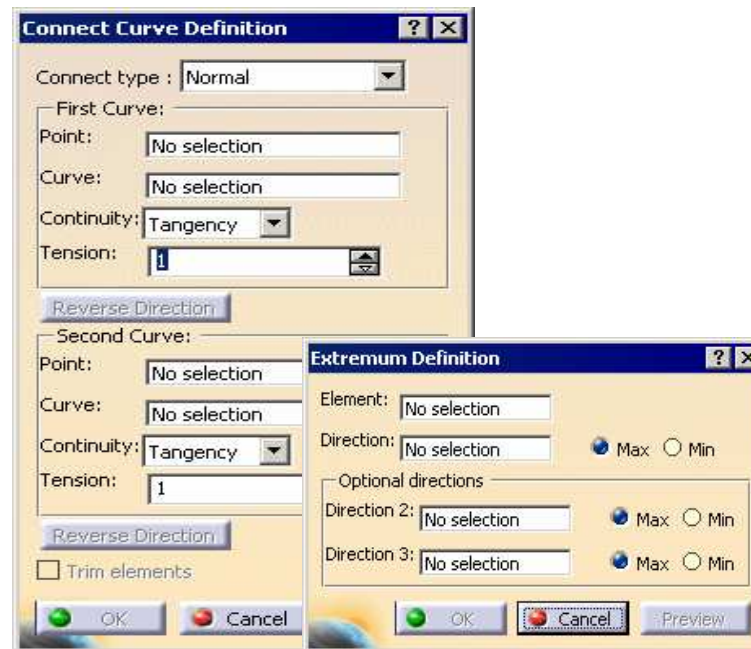
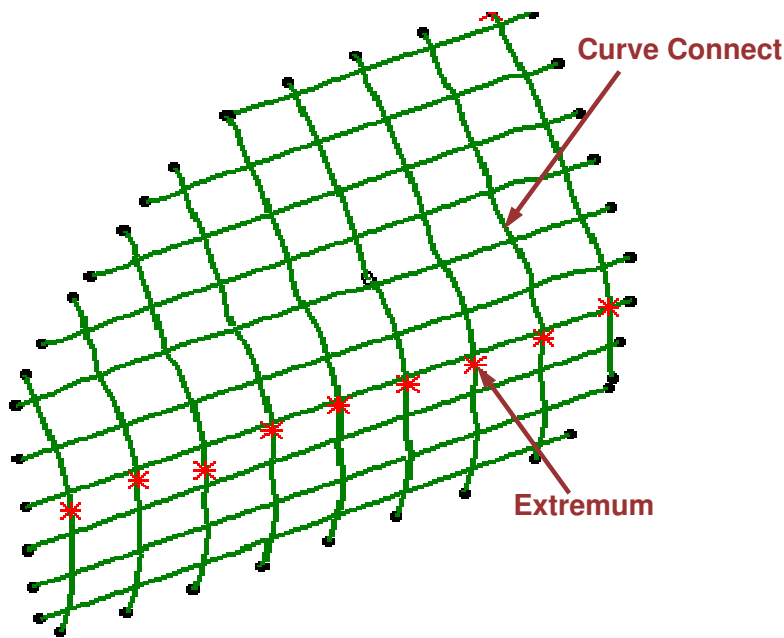
About this Lesson

In this lesson you will learn and practice the advanced wireframe tools of Generative Shape design workbench .You will also perform an exercise at the end of the lesson in which you will practice these tools.

You will learn the following tools in this lesson:

- Extremum points
- Curve Connects

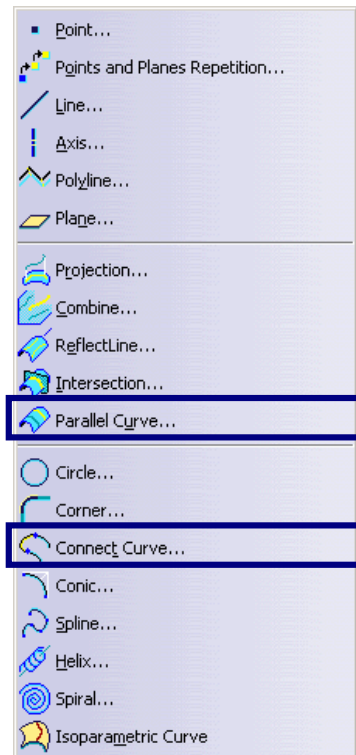
Along with this you will also learn a few Recommendations and Tips to achieve better quality wireframes.



MD2/GSD Wireframe versus HD2/GSD Wireframe

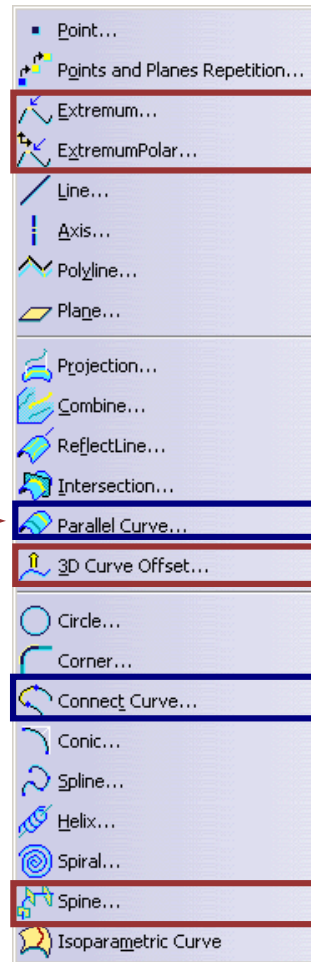
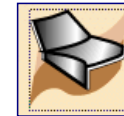
The Generative Shape Design workbench while in MD2 and HD2 configurations have many common functionalities. Within HD2 you will discover new functionalities that are not in MD2 and also advanced capabilities in some functions that exist in both workbenches.

MD2



Functionality common but with more capabilities within HD2.

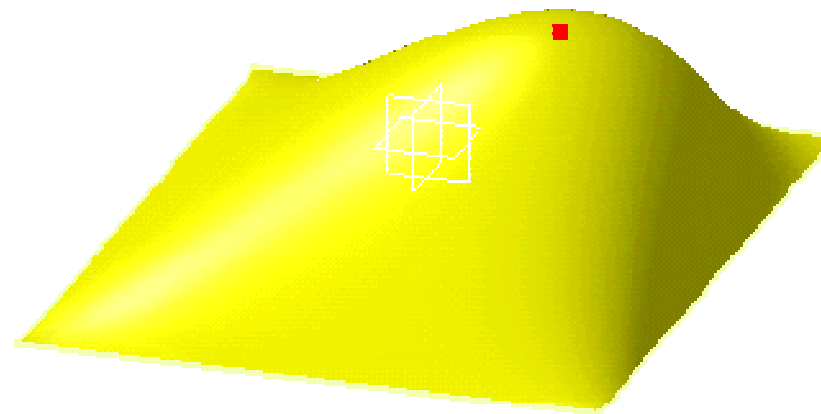
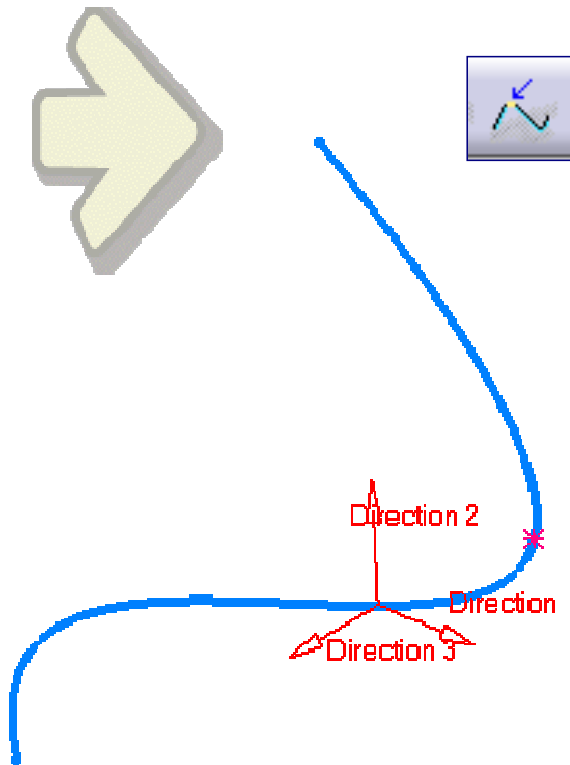
HD2



Functionalities specific to the Generative Shape Design workbench in HD2

Creating an Extremum

You will learn what an Extremum is and how to create it.

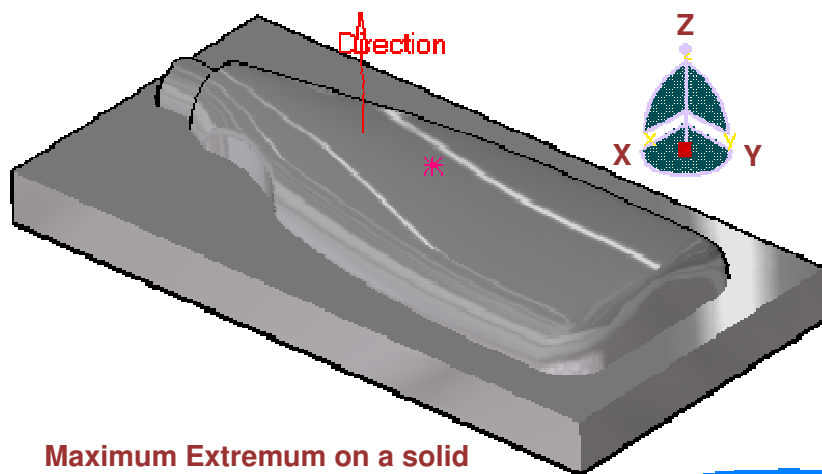


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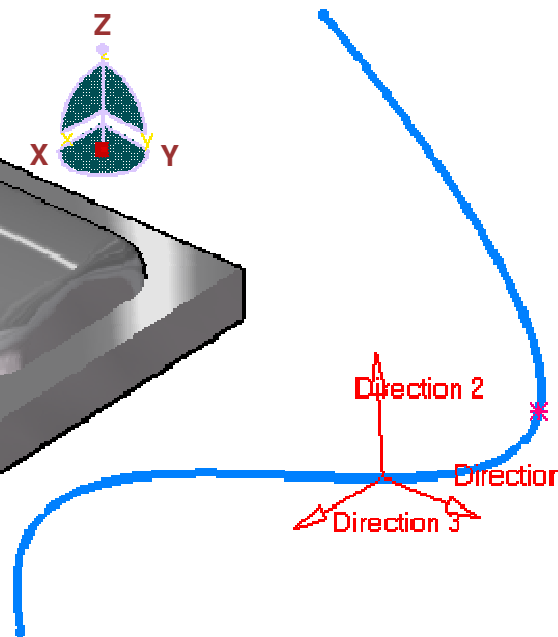
Why Create an Extremum?

In order to help CATIA find the maximum or minimum point of a curve or surface along any direction chosen by the user.

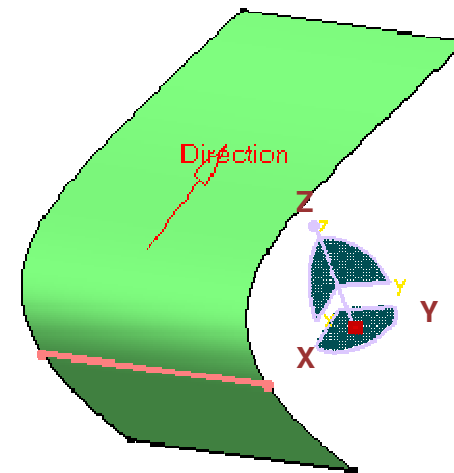
The element might be a sketch, a 3D curve or line, a surface or a solid face.



Maximum Extremum on a solid face along the Z Axis



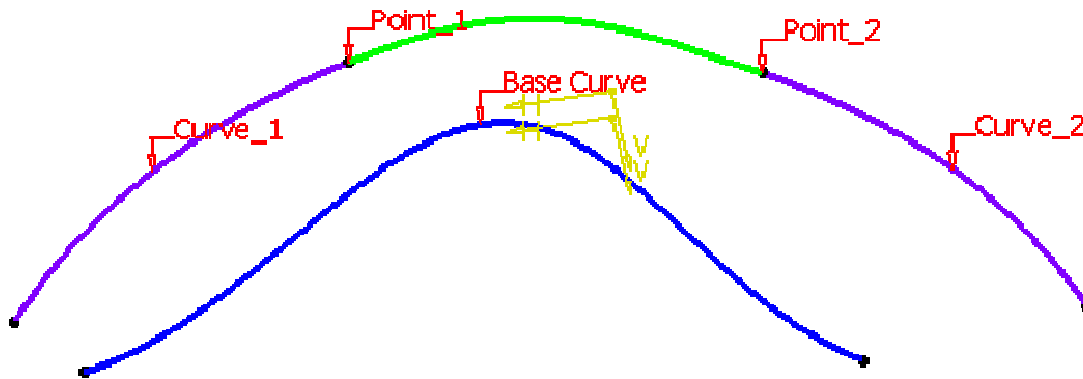
Maximum Extremum on a Curve along the Z Axis



Minimum Extremum on a Surface along the X Axis

Creating a Connect Curve

You will learn how to create a connect curve within the Generative Shape Design workbench.



Review of Connect Curve from Surface Design Course

Recall that in the Surface Design course, you created a Connect Curve that connects two points on two curves allowing you to control the continuity and shape as shown using type: **Normal**.

Connect Curves created with the "Normal" option.

Curve 1.

Curve 2.

Curve 3.

Curve 1 connect curve created with Continuity set to "curvature."

Curve 2 connect curve created with continuity set to "tangency."

Curve 3 connect curve created with continuity set to "point."

Curve endpoints can be used as well as points along each curve.

Curves to connect.

Connect Curve Definition

Connect type: Normal

First Curve:

Point: Sketch.3\Vertex.6

Curve: Sketch.3

Continuity: Tangency

Tension: 1

Reverse Direction

Second Curve:

Point: Sketch.4\Vertex.7

Curve: Sketch.4

Continuity: Tangency

Tension: 1

Reverse Direction

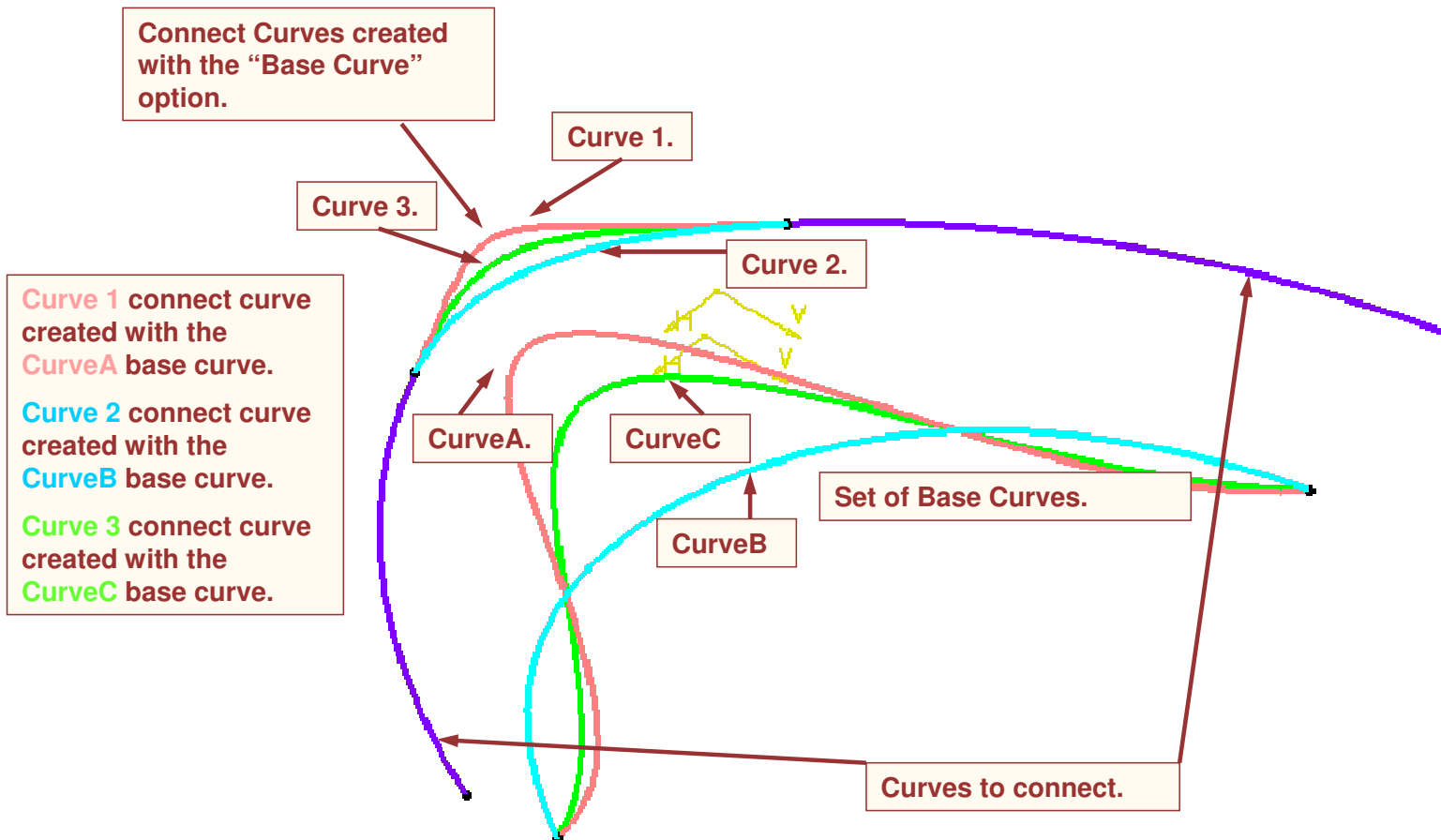
Trim elements

OK Cancel Preview

Student Notes:

What is a connect curve created with “Base Curve”?

In the Generative Shape Design workbench (under HD2 configuration), you can create a Connect Curve that connects two points or two curves by keeping nearly the same shape as a reference curve: the **Base Curve**.



Advanced Wireframe Geometry

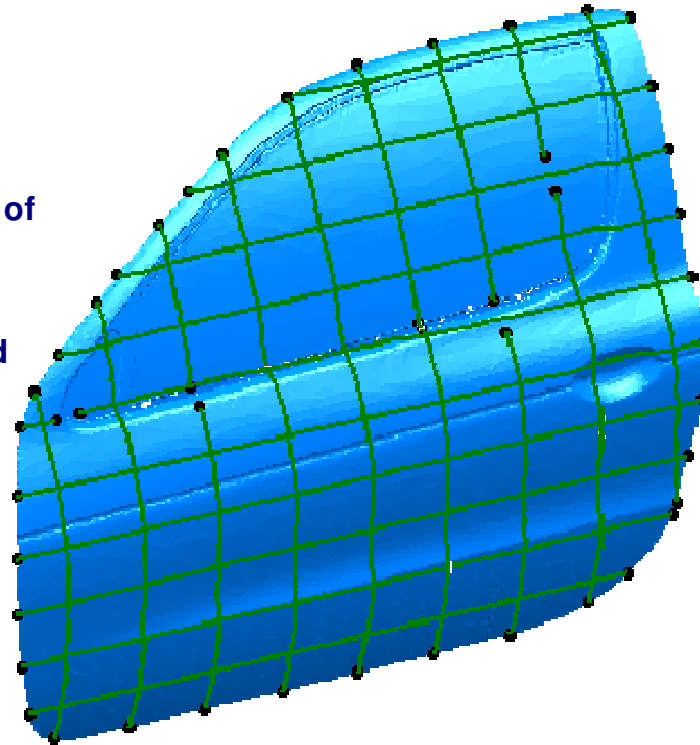
Recap Exercise



15 min

In this exercise you will work on the wireframe mesh.

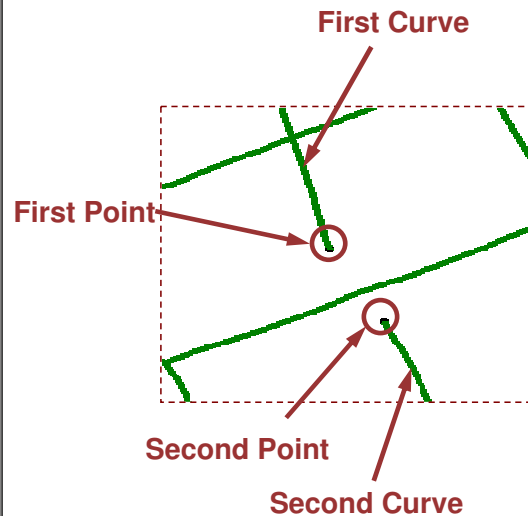
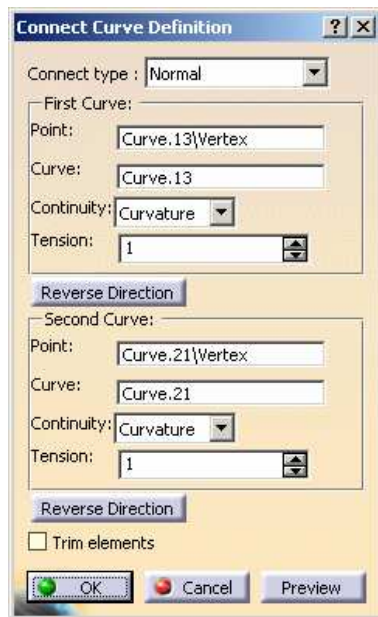
- You will be creating a fine wireframe from a given set of curves using connect curves.
- You will also create a extremums on these curves and use them to determine the maximum distance of the door from the absolute axis system.



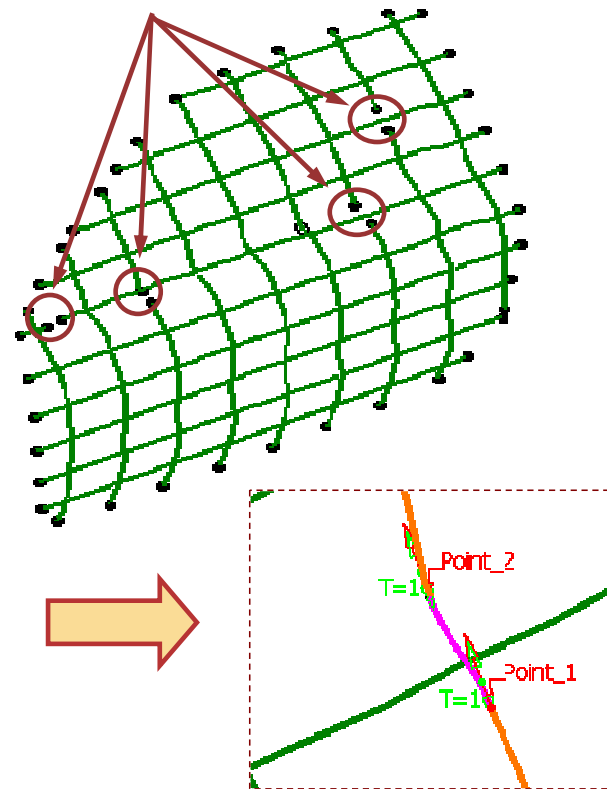
Do It Yourself (1/2)

 Part used: CATGSD_F_Connect_Curve_Start.CATPart

- Identify the broken curves in the given curve mesh and create a connecting curve using connect curve.
 - ◆ Select the parameters as shown in the image.
 - With Curvature continuity
 - Tension: 1
- Join each of the 'connect curve' created with its parent curves to achieve single curve.

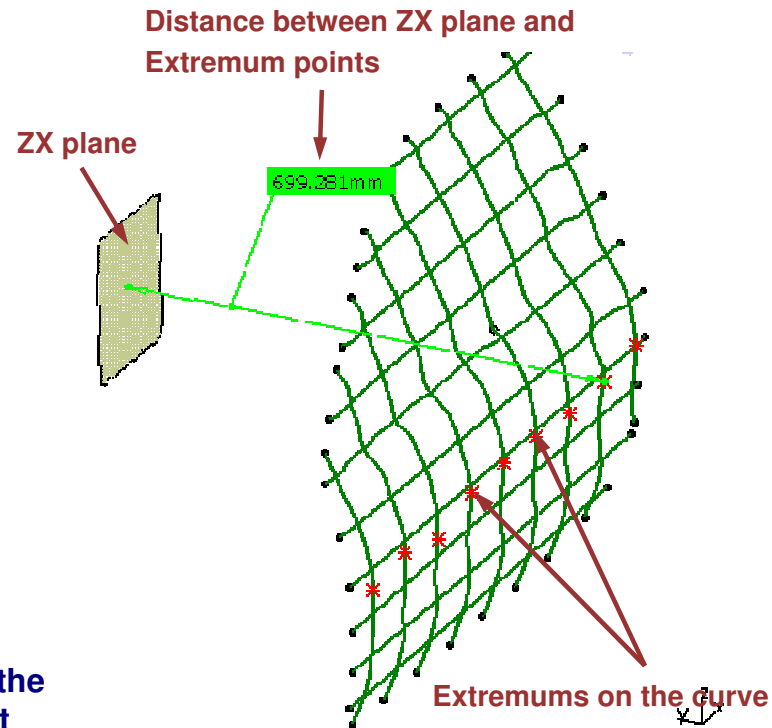
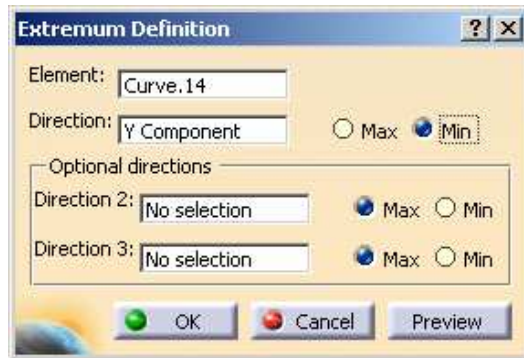


Broken areas on the curves



Do It Yourself (2/2)

- Create an Extremum on the curves in ZX direction.
 - ◆ Check the 'Min' box.
 - ◆ Select the input parameters as shown in the panel.
 - ◆ Repeat this for all the curves









You can determine the maximum distance of the door from absolute axis by measuring highest extremum point.



End Part: CATGSD_F_Connect_Curve_End.CATPart

Wireframe Analysis and Repair

This lesson will cover the following Wireframe Analysis and Repair topics:

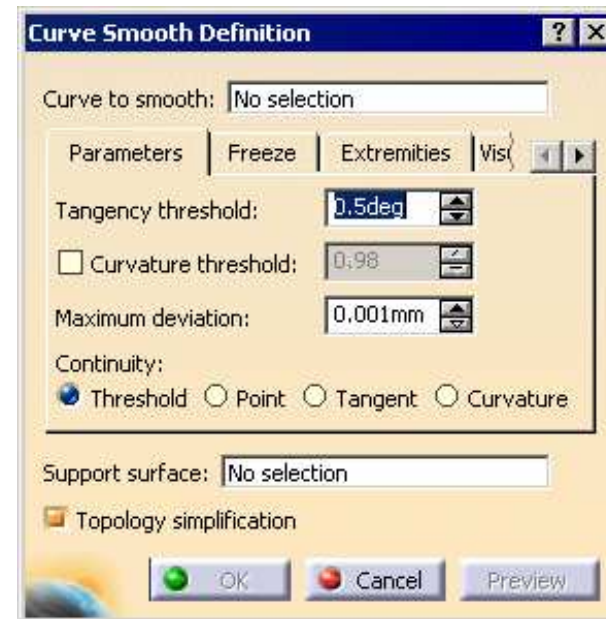
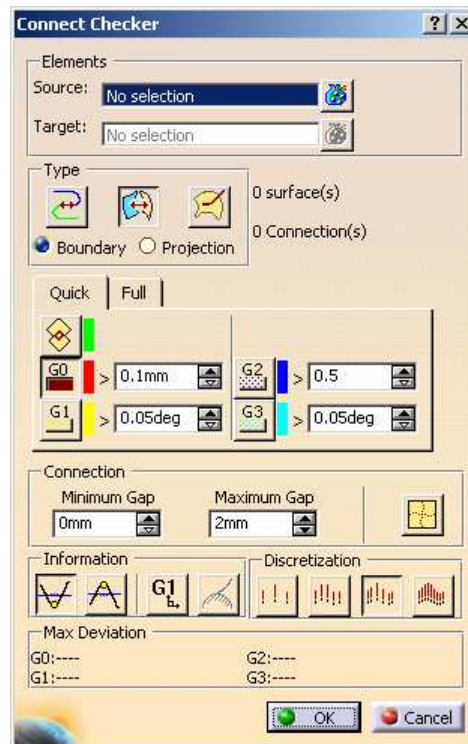
-  **About this Lesson**
-  **Why do you need to Analyze Wireframe Geometry?**
-  **Curve Connect Checker**
-  **Smoothing Curves**
-  **Wireframe Analysis -Recommendations**
-  **Recap Exercise: Wireframe Analysis and Repair**

About this Lesson

In this lesson you will learn and practice the advanced wireframe analysis tools of Generative Shape Design workbench. You will also perform an exercise at the end of the lesson in which you will practice these tools. Along with understanding what is wireframe analysis, you will also see the recommendations for performing the wireframe.

In this Lesson you will learn tools like,

- Connect Checker
- Smoothing Curves



Why do You need to Analyze Wireframe Geometry?

When a surface is created from wireframe, many of the surface's characteristics are derived from the wireframe's characteristics.

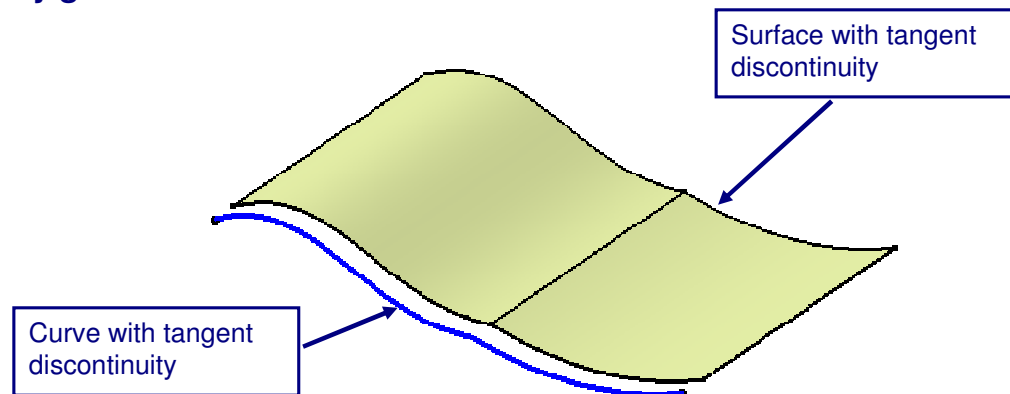
If a curve has an inflection, the surface will have an inflection.

If a curve has a tangency discontinuity, the surface will have a tangency discontinuity.

If a curve has a curvature discontinuity, the surface will have a curvature discontinuity.

If a curve has a geometric flaw, the surface will have a geometric flaw.

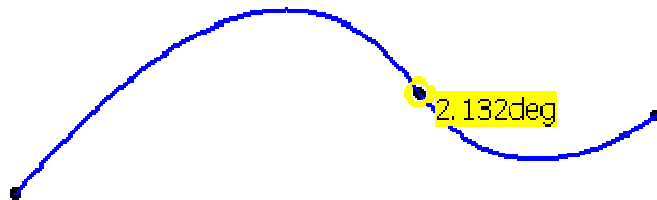
You probably get the idea.....



Many times the issue with the curve cannot be seen by the naked eye. Therefore, the tools covered in this lesson are very important in assuring a high quality surfaced part.

Connect Checker

You will learn how to use the Connect Checker tool to analyze the curvature discontinuities on curves.



Connect Checker
?
✕

Elements

Source: Sketch.1

Target: No selection

Type

1 Curve(s)

1 Connection(s)

Boundary Projection

Quick | Full

> 0.001mm

> 0.01deg

> 0.1

> 0.05deg

Connection

Minimum Gap: 0mm

Maximum Gap: 2mm

Information

Discretization

Max Deviation

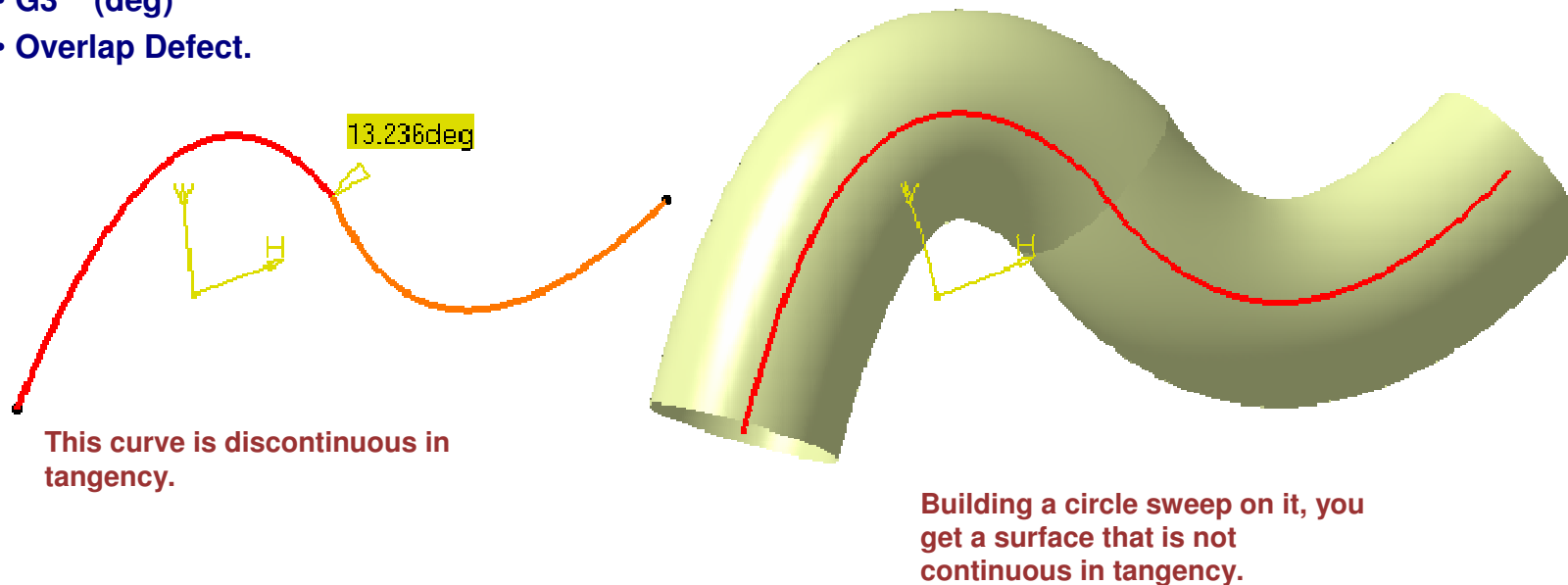
G0: 0.298mm G2: 21.49

G1: 2.132deg G3: 0deg

Why the Connect Checker ?

For wireframe based surface modeling, it is necessary to use curves that are continuous in tangency and in curvature. The connect checker allows you to detect the point, tangency or curvature discontinuities in order to smooth the non-continuous curves :

- G0 (mm)
- G1 (deg)
- G2 (%)
- G3 (deg)
- Overlap Defect.



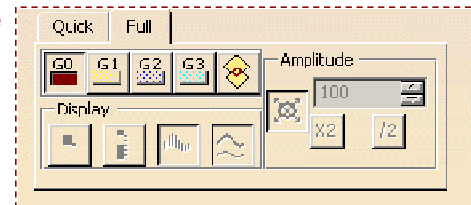
How to use the Connect Checker ? (1/2)

This tool allows you to detect the G0, G1, G2 and G3 discontinuities on curves.

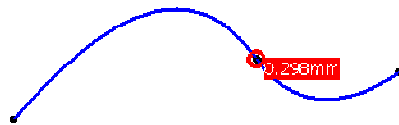
- 1 Select the Connect Checker icon and the curve to analyse.



- 2 Select the Analysis Type you want to process.



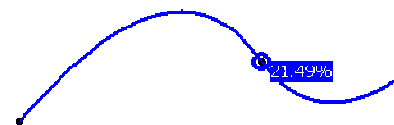
G0 analysis



The G0 discontinuities are displayed on the analyzed curve.



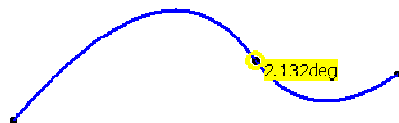
G2 analysis



The G2 discontinuities are displayed on the analyzed curve.



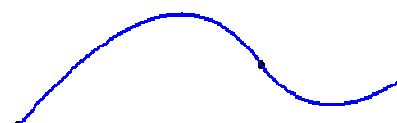
G1 analysis



The G1 discontinuities are displayed on the analyzed curve.



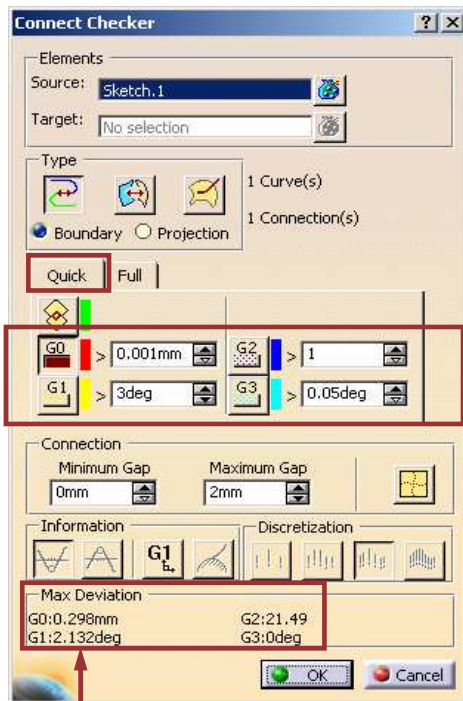
G3 analysis



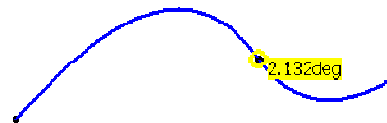
The G3 discontinuities are not displayed on the analyzed curve.

How to use the Connect Checker ? (2/2)

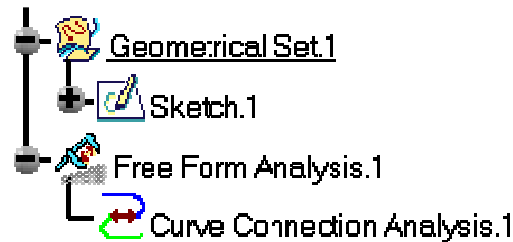
3 Select the Quick tab.



This option allows the user to give thresholds below which the discontinuity is not detected.



4 Click OK to confirm. The Connect Checker Analysis is added to the specification tree :



Display of the maximum discontinuity values on the curve.

Smoothing Curves

You will learn how to smooth curves.

The diagram illustrates the process of smoothing a curve. A red curve is shown with a green arrow pointing to it from the left. A dialog box titled 'Curve Smooth Definition' is open, showing the following settings:

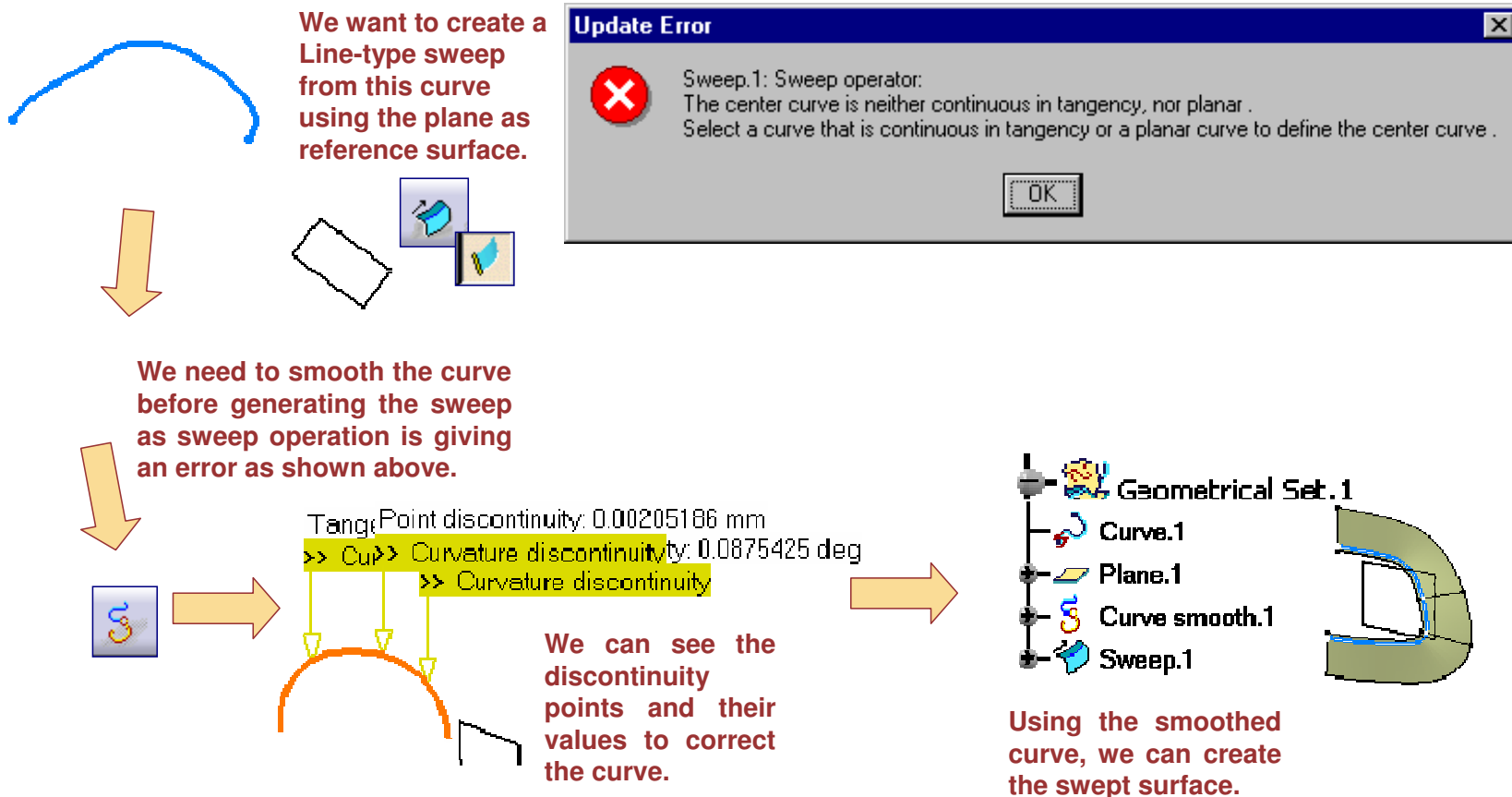
- Curve to smooth: Connect.1
- Parameters | Freeze | Extremities | Visu
- Tangency threshold: 0,5deg
- Curvature threshold: 0,98
- Maximum deviation: 0,001mm
- Continuity: Threshold Point Tangent Curvature
- Support surface: No selection
- Topology simplification
- Buttons: OK, Cancel, Preview

Two green callouts point to specific points on the curve:

- In: C2
Out: discontinuity erased
- In: C0, tg discontinuous (13.769deg)
Out: discontinuity erased

Why Smoothing Curves?

Sometimes when you want to create a sweep for instance, CATIA warns you that the profile curve is not continuous in tangency and that it could not build the geometry as you wish. The Smoothing Curve function allows you to clean these curves from distance, Curvature and tangency discontinuity.



Wireframe Analysis –Recommendations

You will learn about specific methods and recommendations concerning the use of wireframe analysis and repair.



Cautions for using Curve Smooth

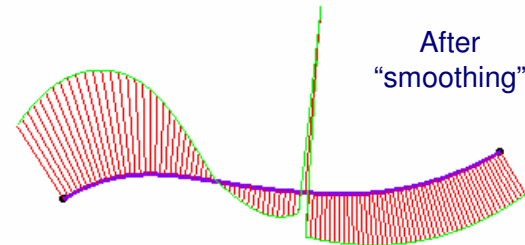
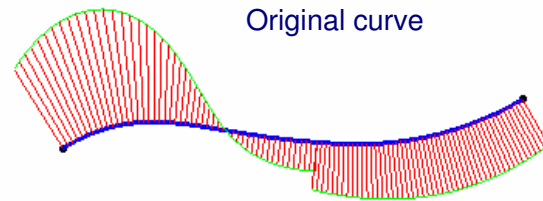
Curve Smooth repair internal curve flaws such as:

- Tangent discontinuities
- Curvature discontinuities

by selecting the curve you want to repair.

However, you should always use Porcupine Curvature Analysis after performing the operation as the resultant curve may not be as “smooth” as you would wish.

This is especially true when the “Maximum deviation” value is small. As a general rule, the larger the flaw, the larger the Maximum deviation value.



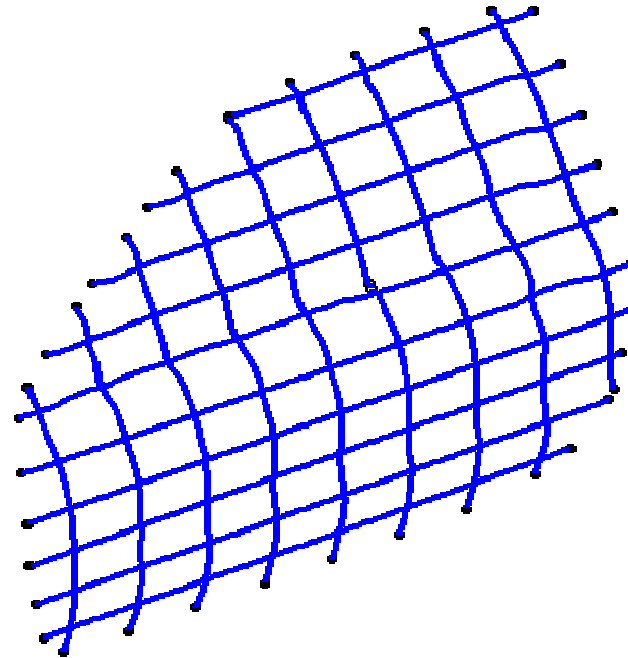
Wireframe Analysis and Repair

Recap Exercise



10 min

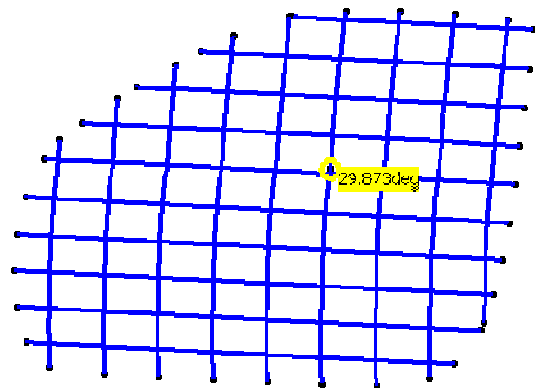
- Perform a Connect Checker Analysis
- Repair the curve using Curve Smooth



Do It Yourself...

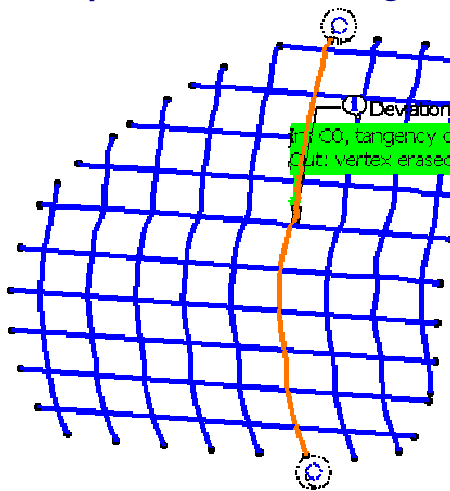
Part used: CATGSD_F_Wireframe_Analysis_Recap.CATPart

- Perform a Connect Checker analysis.

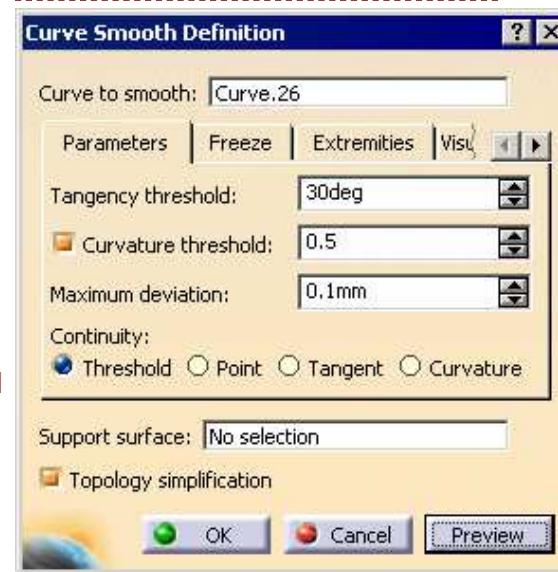
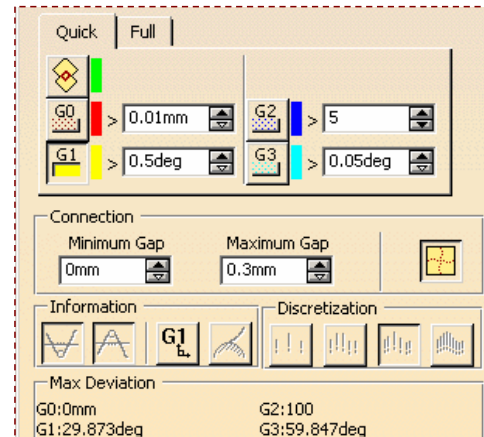


Validate the discontinuity for all the curves

- Repair the curve using Curve Smooth.



Rectify the discontinuity Using correct threshold value obtained from Curve checker analysis



Creating Advanced Swept Surfaces

This lesson will cover the following Advanced Swept Surface topics:

- About this Lesson
- What is a Swept Surface?
- Inputs for Sweep
- Creating a Swept Surface
- Recap Exercise: Knob
- Creating an Adaptive Swept Surface
- Recap Exercise: Adaptive Swept Surface

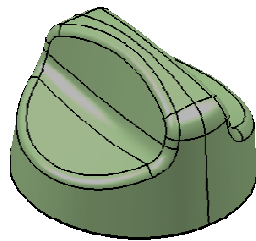
About this Lesson

In this lesson you will be learning how to create different types of Swept Surfaces (Line,Circle,Conic surfaces) and Adaptive Swept surfaces.

You will be creating a Parts 'Knob' and 'Housing' at the end of this lesson.

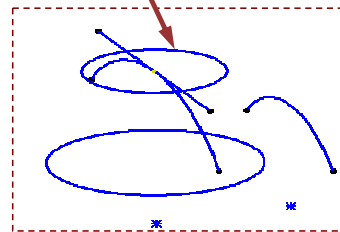
Along with knowing how to create different type of Swept surfaces, you will learn about the inputs required to create these surfaces such as,

- Spine
- Laws

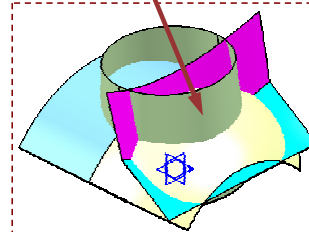


Knob

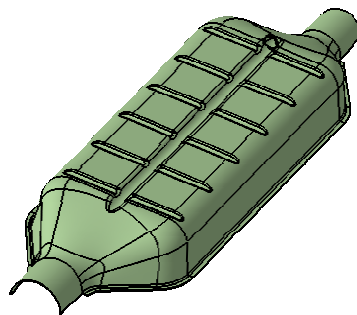
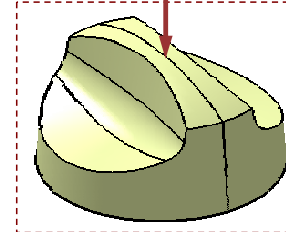
Inputs for Swept Surface



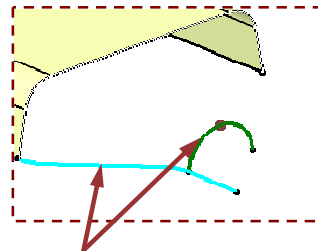
Line type Sweep



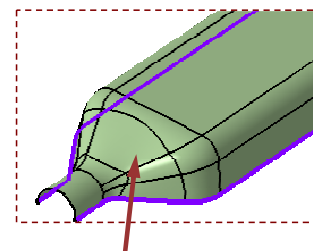
Circle type Sweep



Adaptive Swept Surface



Inputs for Adaptive Swept Surface



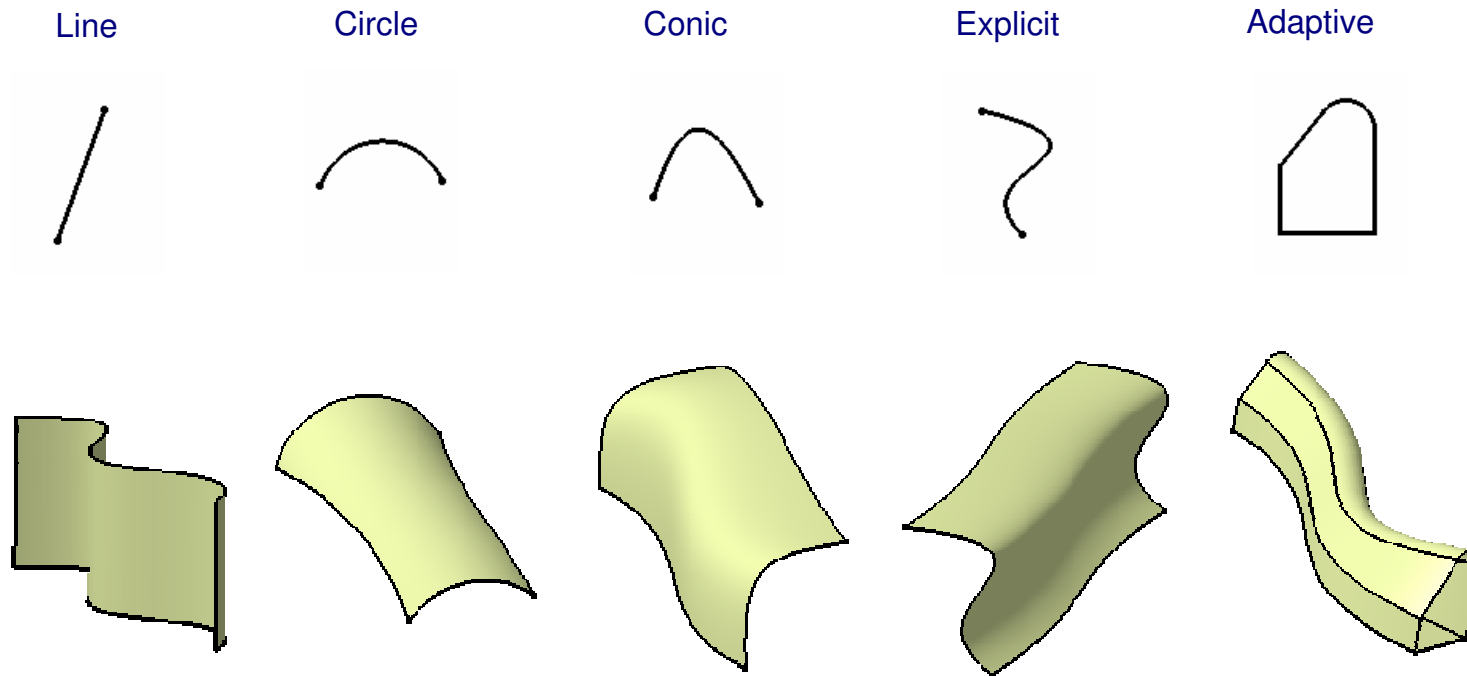
Adaptive Swept Surface

Student Notes:

What is a Swept Surface?

A swept surface is one that is created by sweeping a particular type of profile through space to form a surface. Each swept surface will follow along one or more guide curves.

There are five types of swept surfaces:



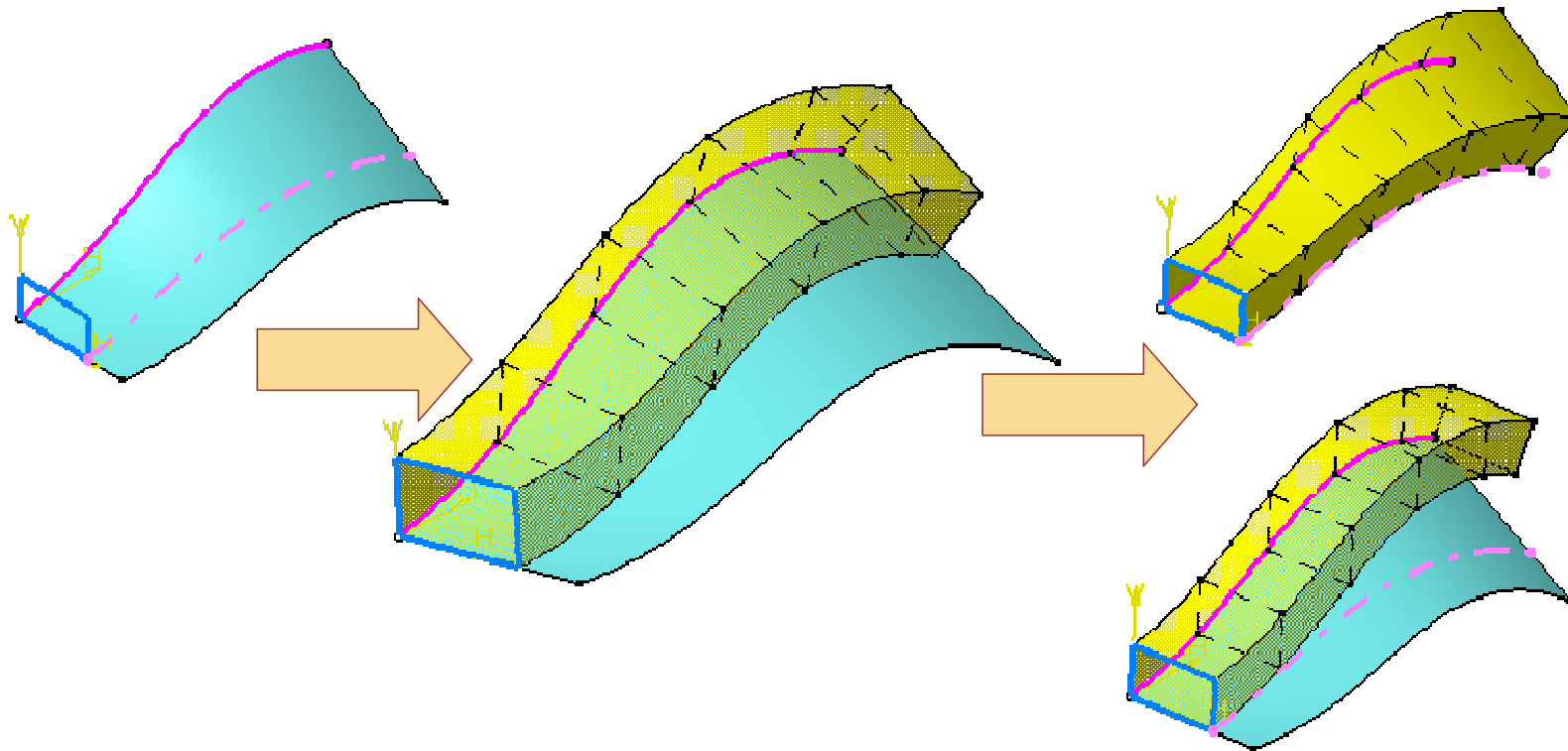
For Line, Circle, and Conic sweeps, CATIA will generate the profile for you.

Show Me...

Scenario: Create an Explicit Sweep.

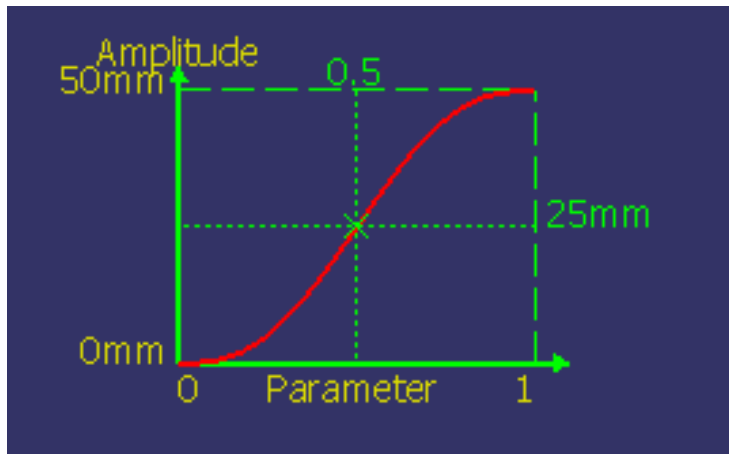
Let us show you through a simple scenario the general process to create an Explicit Sweep.

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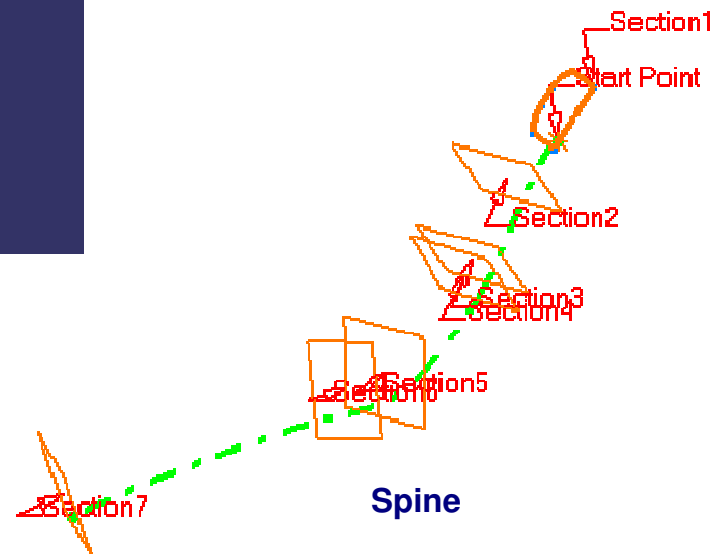


Inputs for Sweep

You will learn about the Inputs used when creating Swept Surfaces



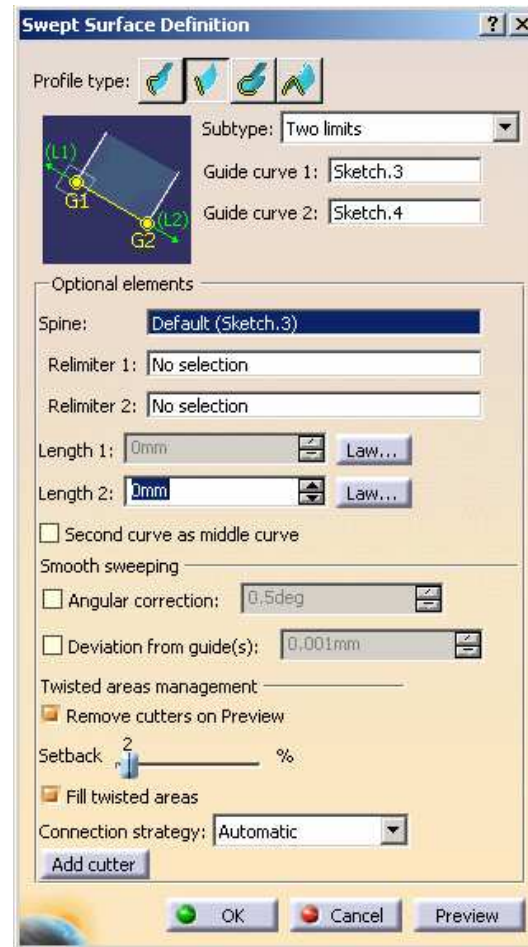
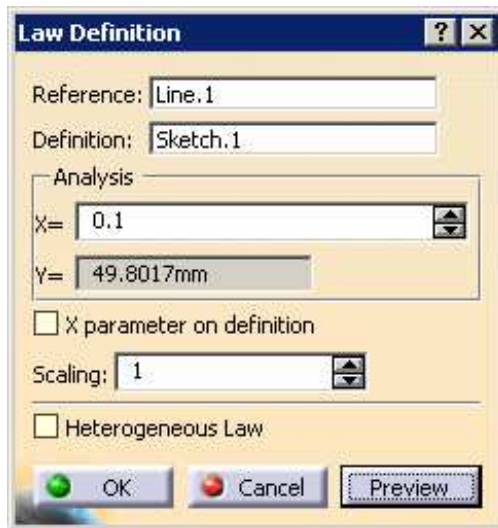
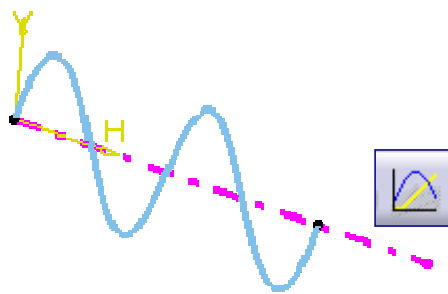
Law



Spine

Laws

You will learn how to create laws and use them to Generate Shape Design Elements, such as Swept surface, fillets.

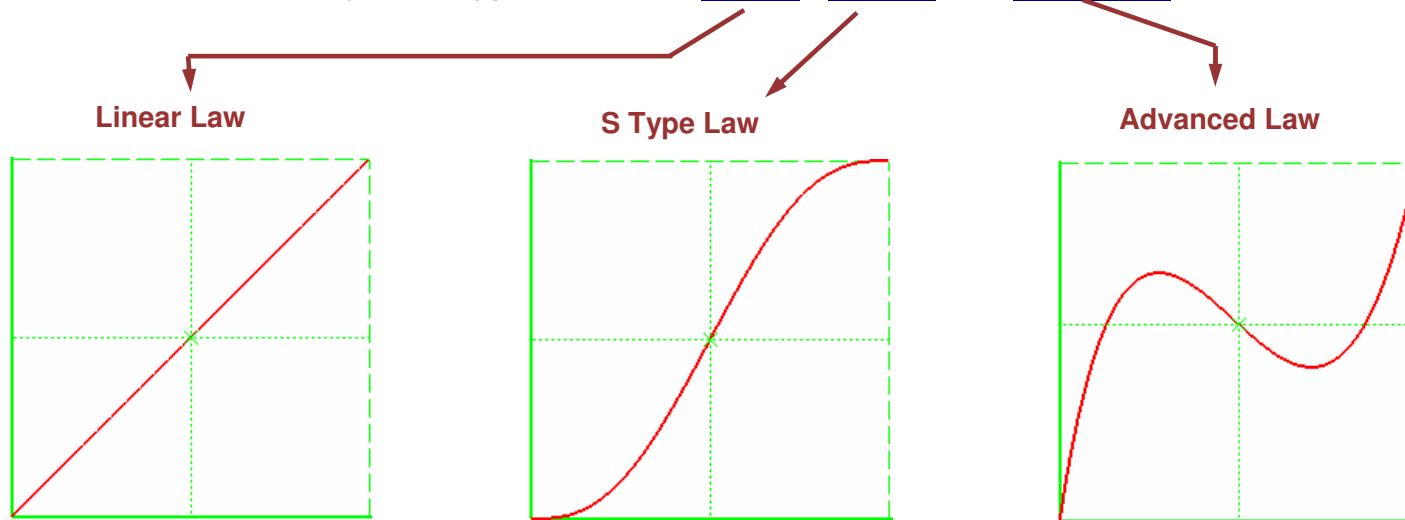


What are Laws?

Parametric surfaces created require certain input parameters to define them. Example of input parameters can be length or angle parameters. When you input a numeric value, the parameter will remain constant throughout the entire development of the surface. When you desire a particular input to vary, you must use a LAW.

Types of Laws.

There are basically three types of Laws: Linear , S Type and Advanced

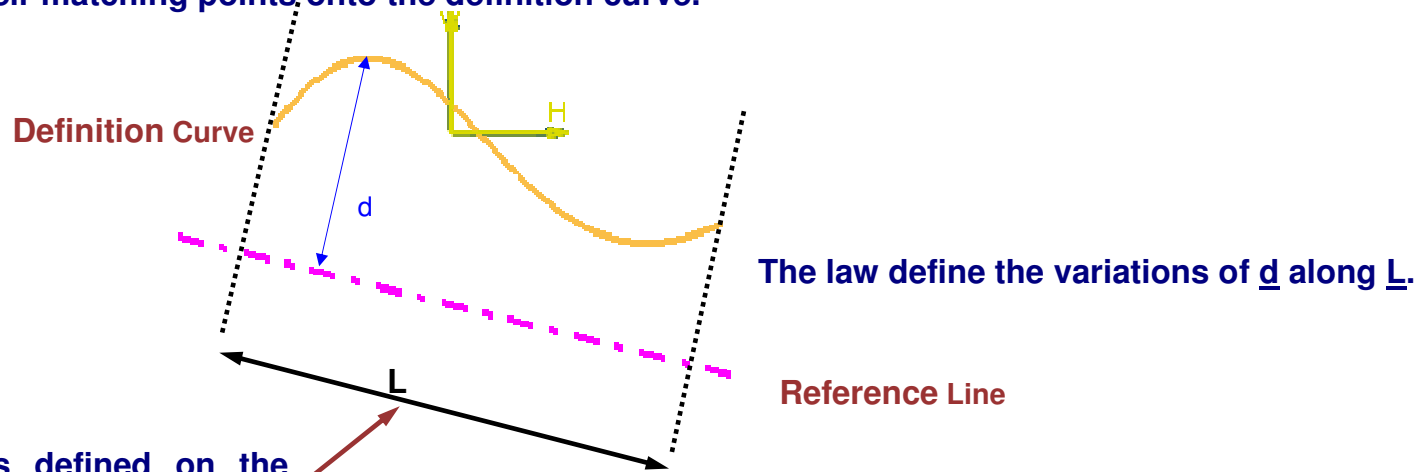


Linear and S Type laws are defined by simple parameter input in a panel.

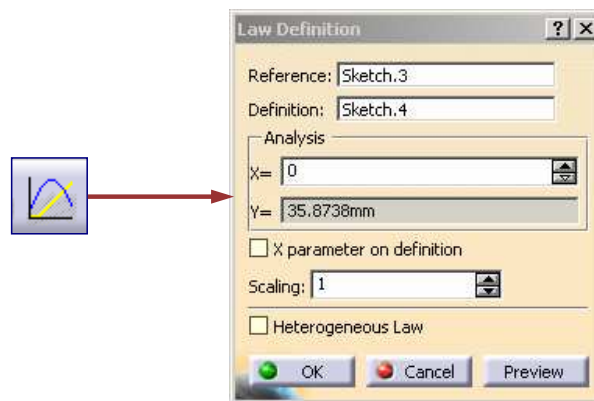
An Advanced Law requires you to define geometry in the part : a reference and a definition curve.

What are Advanced Laws?

An advanced law is computed as the distance between points on the reference line and their matching points onto the definition curve.



The law is defined on the common length between both entities.

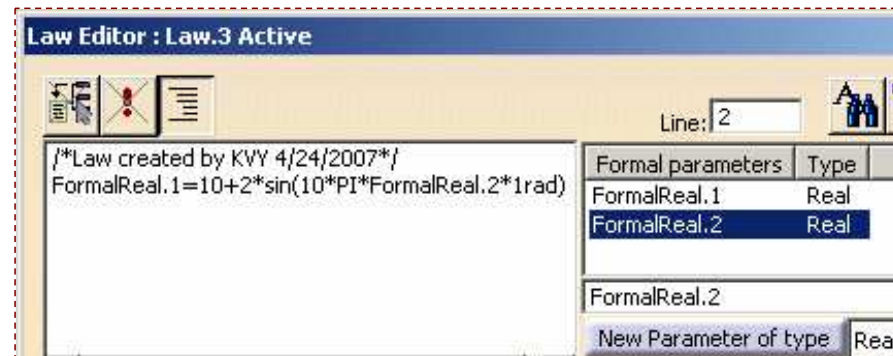


Where can Laws be used (1/2)

Laws can be used in situations where the curves or surfaces that are being created vary according to a pattern / mathematical equation.

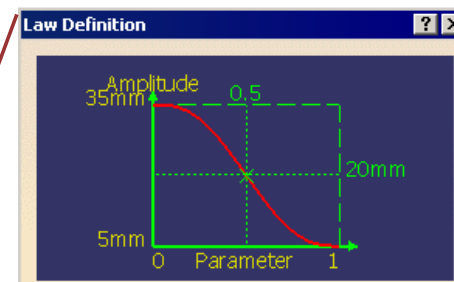
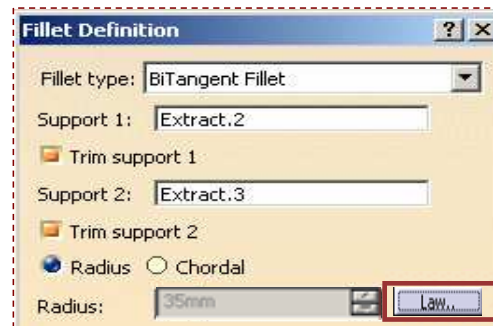
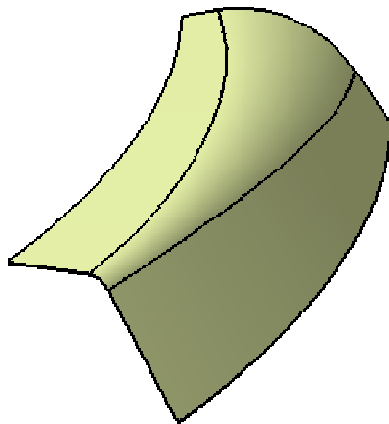


The curve shown here has been created using Law in the Knowledge Law editor



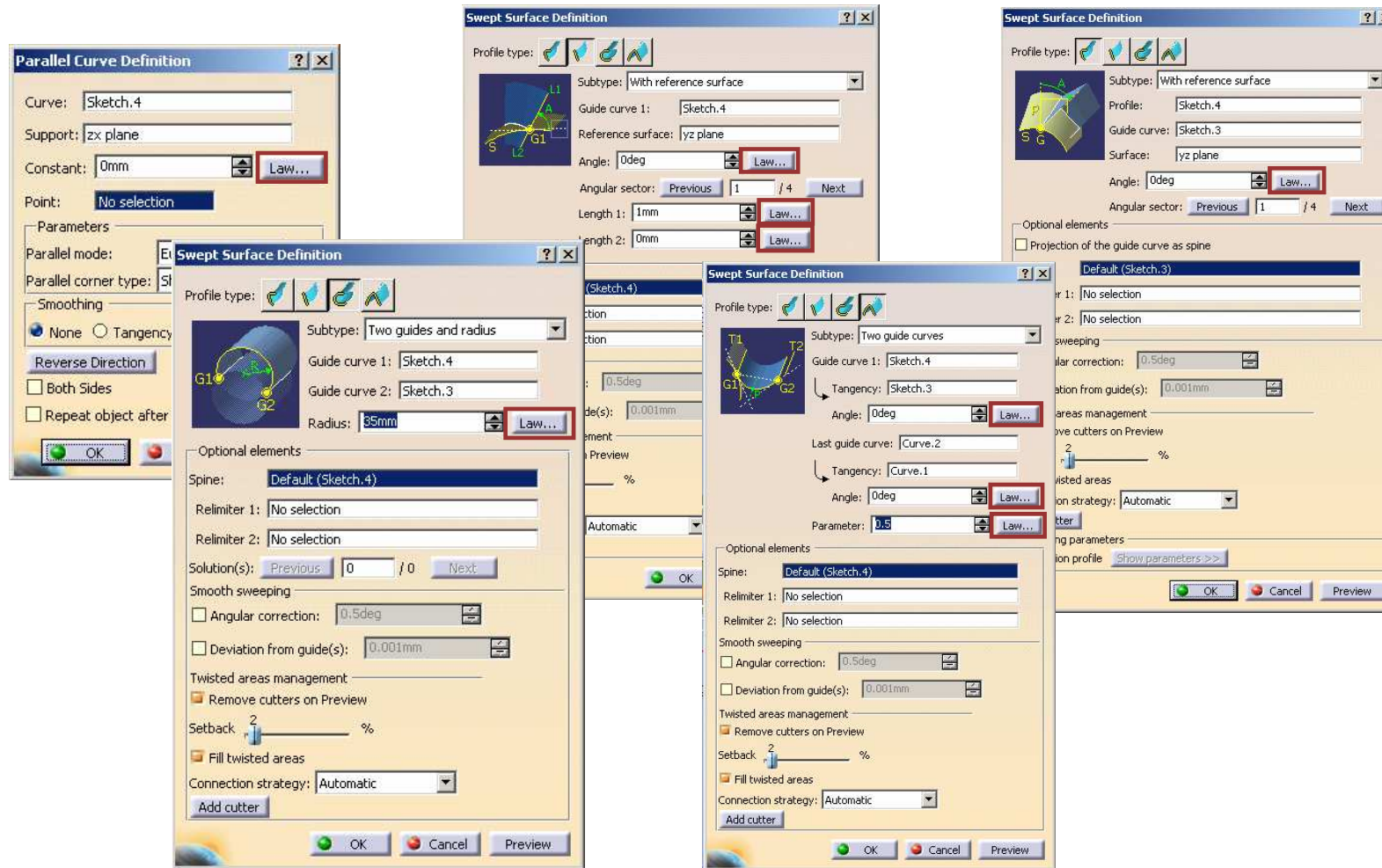
Once this law is created, it can be used in GSD commands.

Radius of the Shape Fillet shown here varies according to the “S” law that can be defined while creating shape fillet.



Where can Laws be used (2/2)

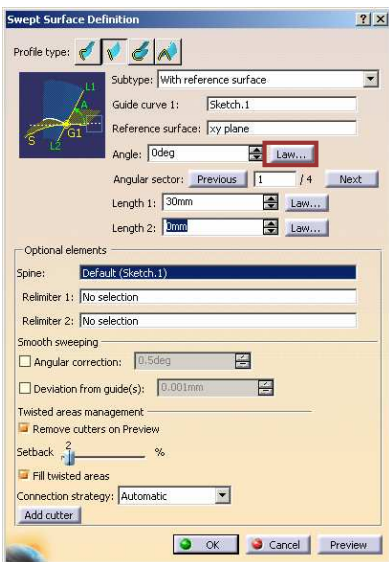
Laws can be used wherever you see a law button near an input field. As you can see below, there are many places you can use a law.



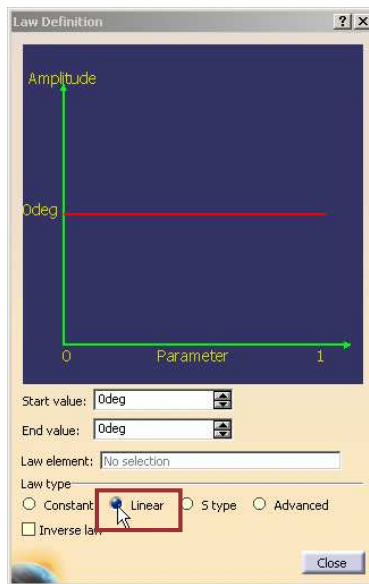
Creating a Linear Law

A Linear law is one where the parameter varies between two values in a “linear” fashion. No geometry is created.

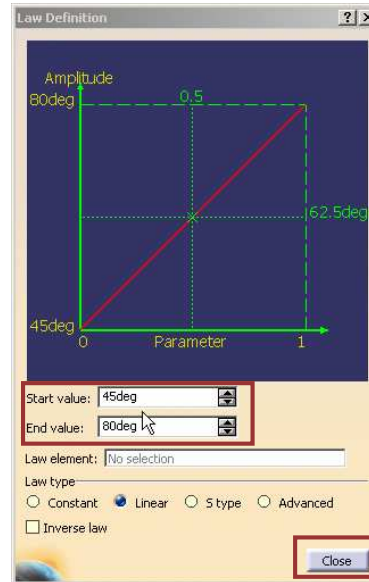
1 Select the Law button next to the desired parameter.



2 Select “Linear” in the law panel.

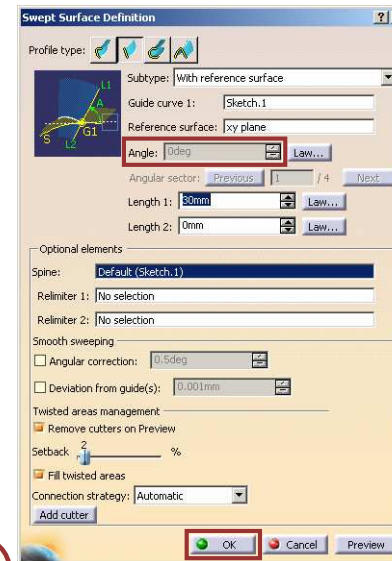


3 Key in the start and end parameters.



4 Select Close.

5 The parameter field is dimmed, indicating that a law is used for that parameter.

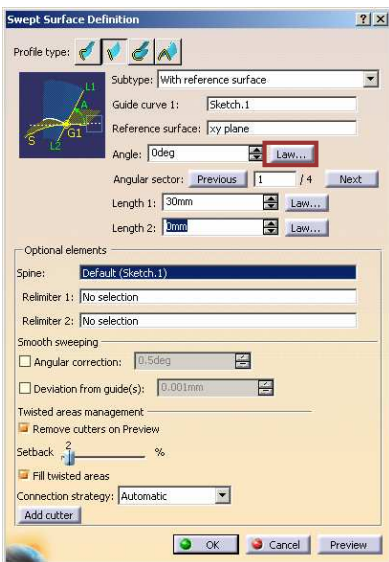


6 Click on OK to create the surface using the law.

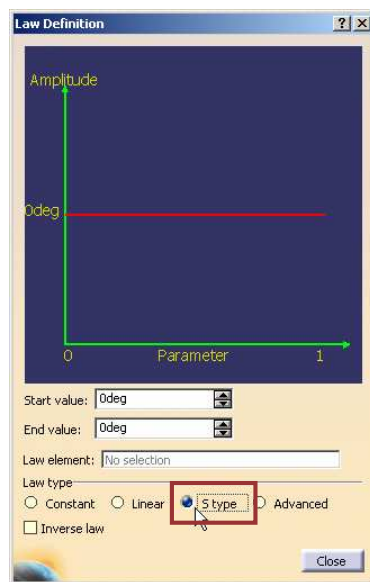
Creating an S Type Law

An S Type law is one where the parameter varies between two values in an “s-shaped” fashion. No geometry is created.

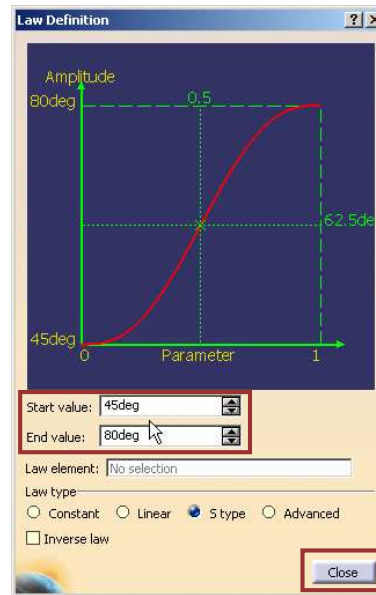
1 Select the Law button next to the desired parameter.



2 Select “S type” in the law panel.

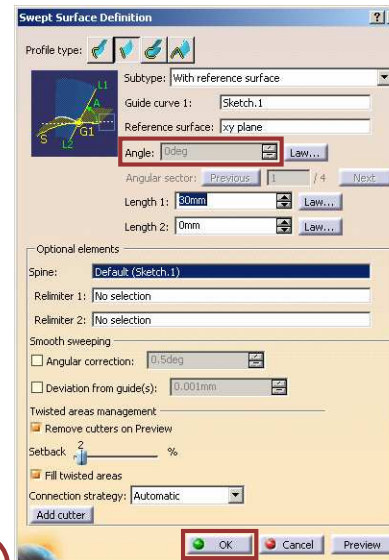


3 Key in the start and end parameters.



4 Select Close.

5 The parameter field is dimmed, indicating that a law is used for that parameter.



6 Click on OK to create the surface using the law.

Creating an Advanced Law

Create an evolution function from existing geometry.

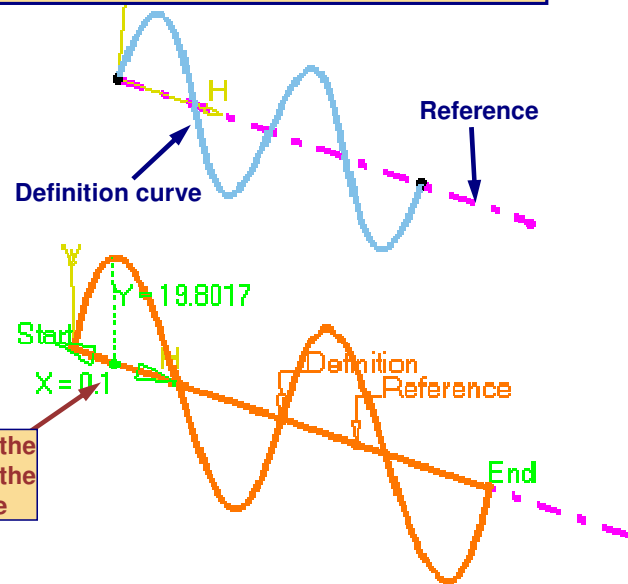
- 1 Select the Law Icon.



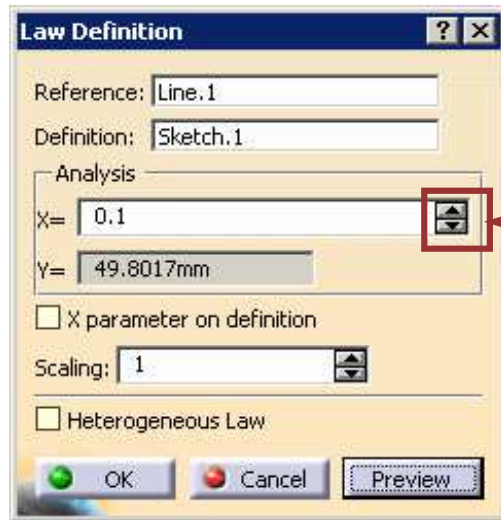
For an Advanced Law, the first thing you must do is create two pieces of geometry in two sketches somewhere in the part. These represent the Reference and Definition curves.

- 2 Select the line you want as reference line.

- 3 Select the line or curve you want as definition curve for the evolution law.



Fix a X value or use the manipulators to see the corresponding Y value



- 4 Click on OK to confirm. The law is added to the Specification Tree.



When the reference line and definition curve do not present the same length, only the common area is used to compute the law.

Do It Yourself



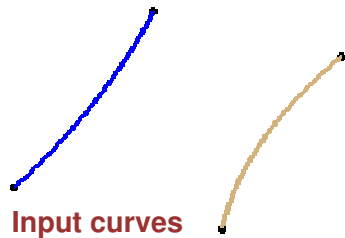
CATGSD_Laws_Dolt_UseLaw.CATPart.CATPart

Use S type Law in length while creating a Sweep.

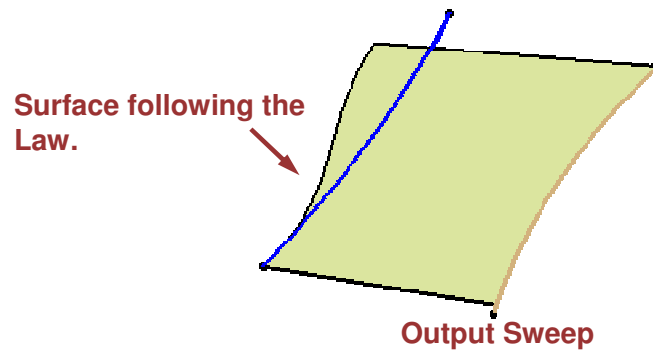
◆ Create Sweep of type “Two limits”.(Use the curves).

Use “Law”, of “S” type and “Linear” type(Values : 0 , 50)

Use Advanced Law inside Law tab and Use the Law.1 available in the part attached.

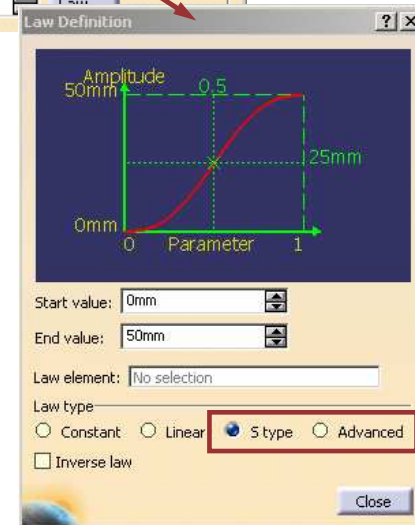
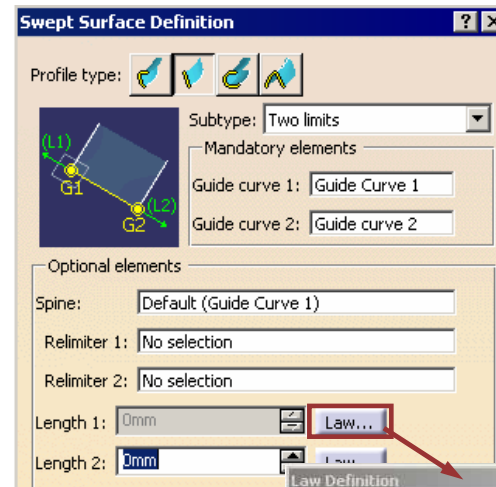


Input curves



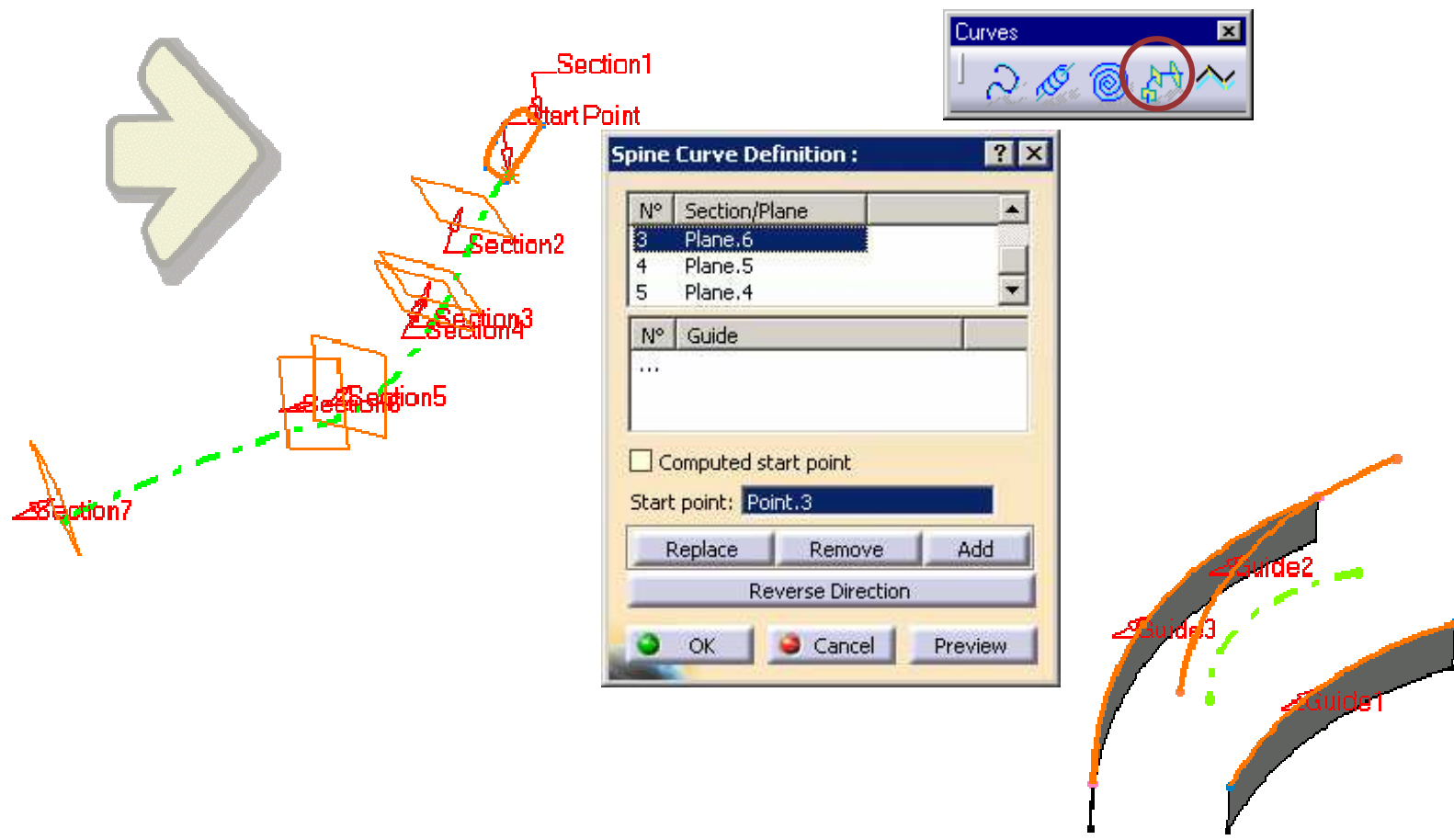
Surface following the Law.

Output Sweep



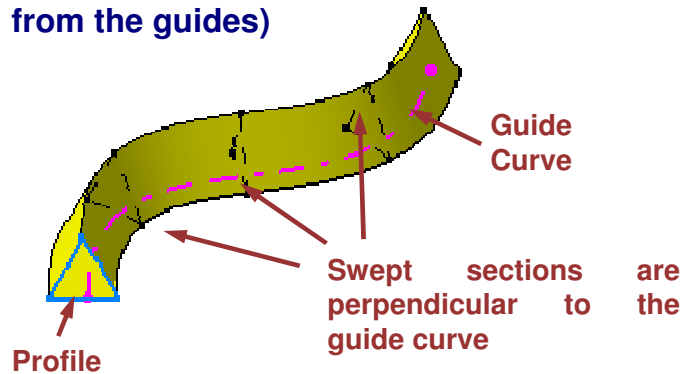
Creating a Spine

You will learn what a Spine is and how to create it.



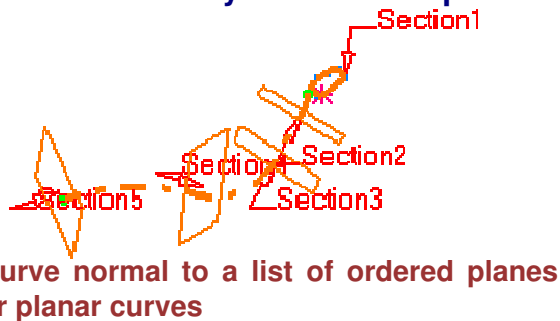
What is a Spine ?

If you want to fix an orientation for your surface sections you will have to define a Spine. The surface sections created are perpendicular to the spine defined. For the Swept and Lofted surface, there is a default spine (the guide or a computation from the guides)



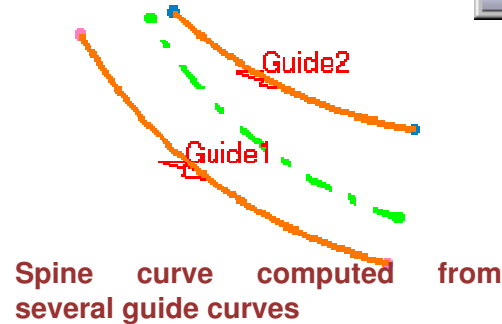
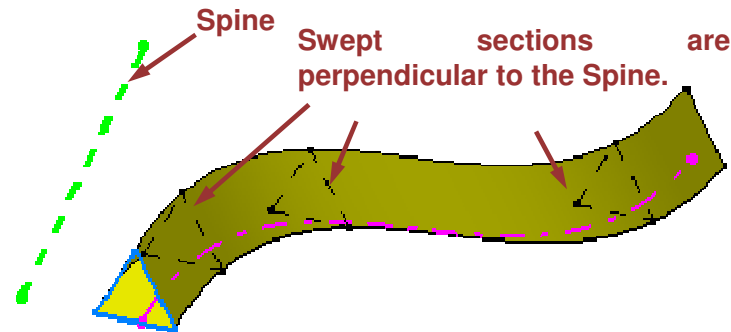
In this Swept surface, the Spine is, by default, the guide curve. Each section of the swept surface is perpendicular to this Guide Curve

The Spine icon will allow you to create a curve that will be used later as a spine
There are two ways to build a spine :



Curve normal to a list of ordered planes or planar curves

The swept sections may be oriented by another Spine (not the default one). For instance you want to get the swept sections perpendicular to the green spine:

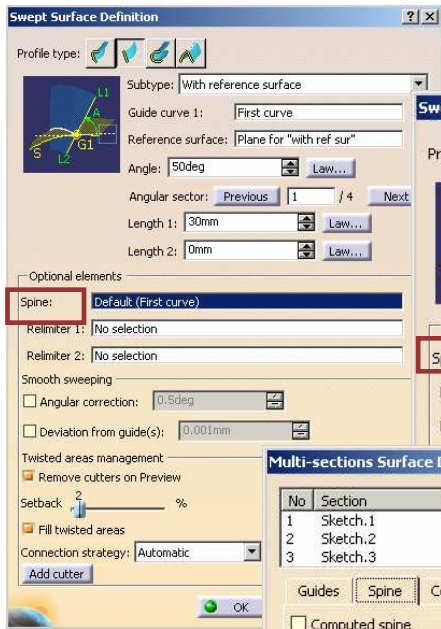


Spine curve computed from several guide curves

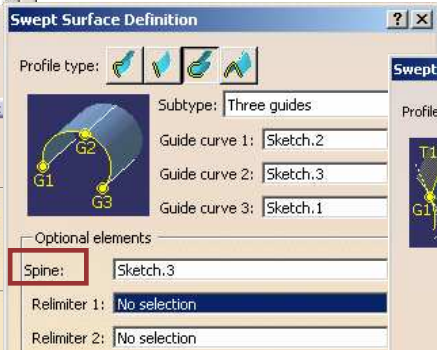
What types of Surfaces use Spines ?

Spines are used to create the following types of surfaces:

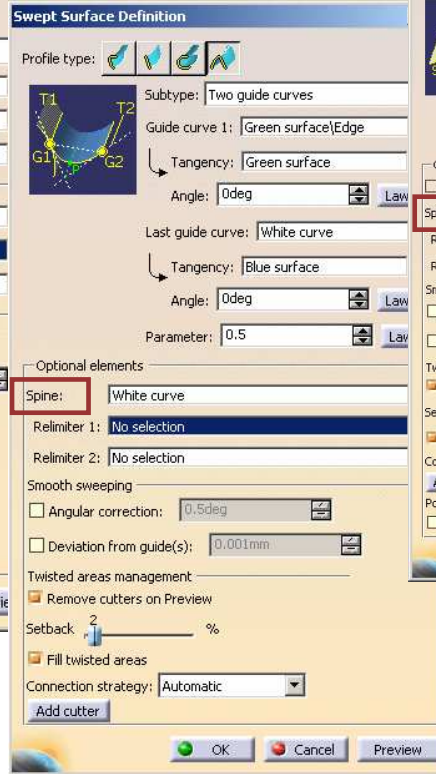
Line Sweep



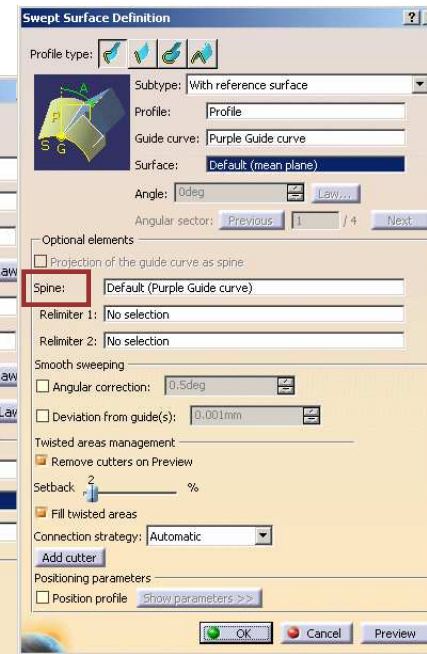
Circle Sweep



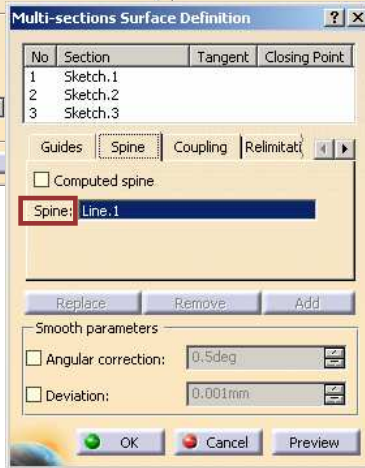
Conic Sweep



Explicit Sweep



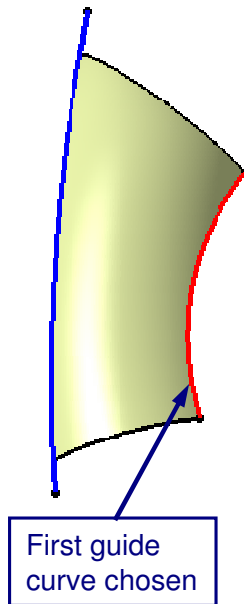
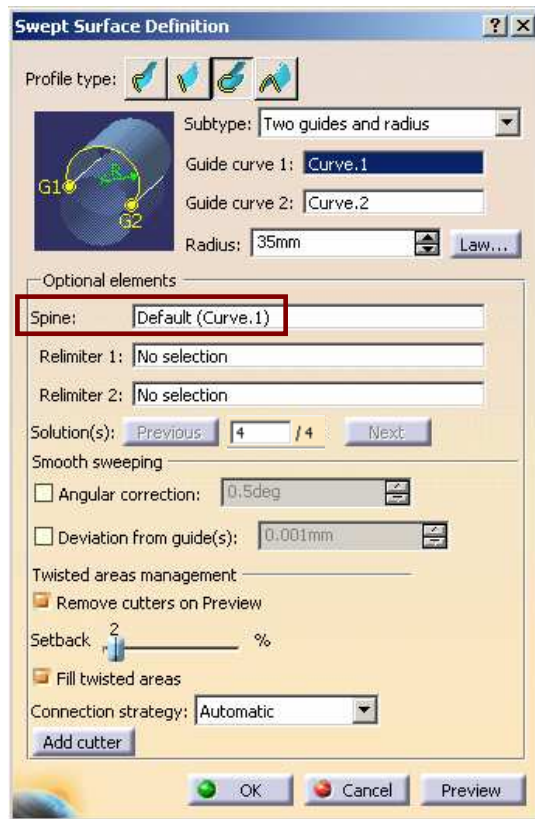
Multi-sections surface



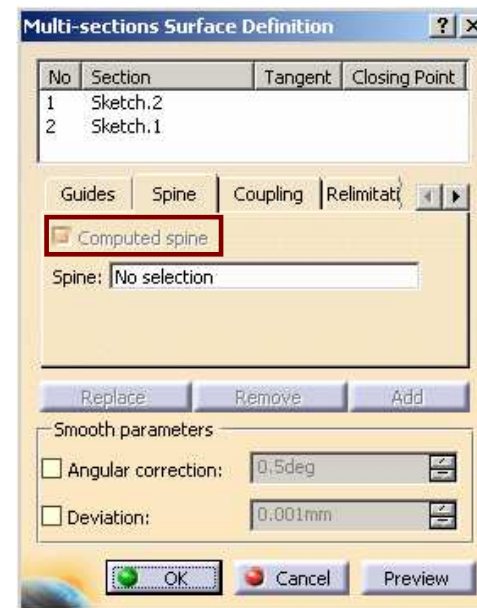
Default Spines

It is not necessary to explicitly specify a Spine for all of the types of surfaces that require a spine.


For Swept surfaces, the first guide curve chosen will be the Spine if nothing else is specified in the Spine field.



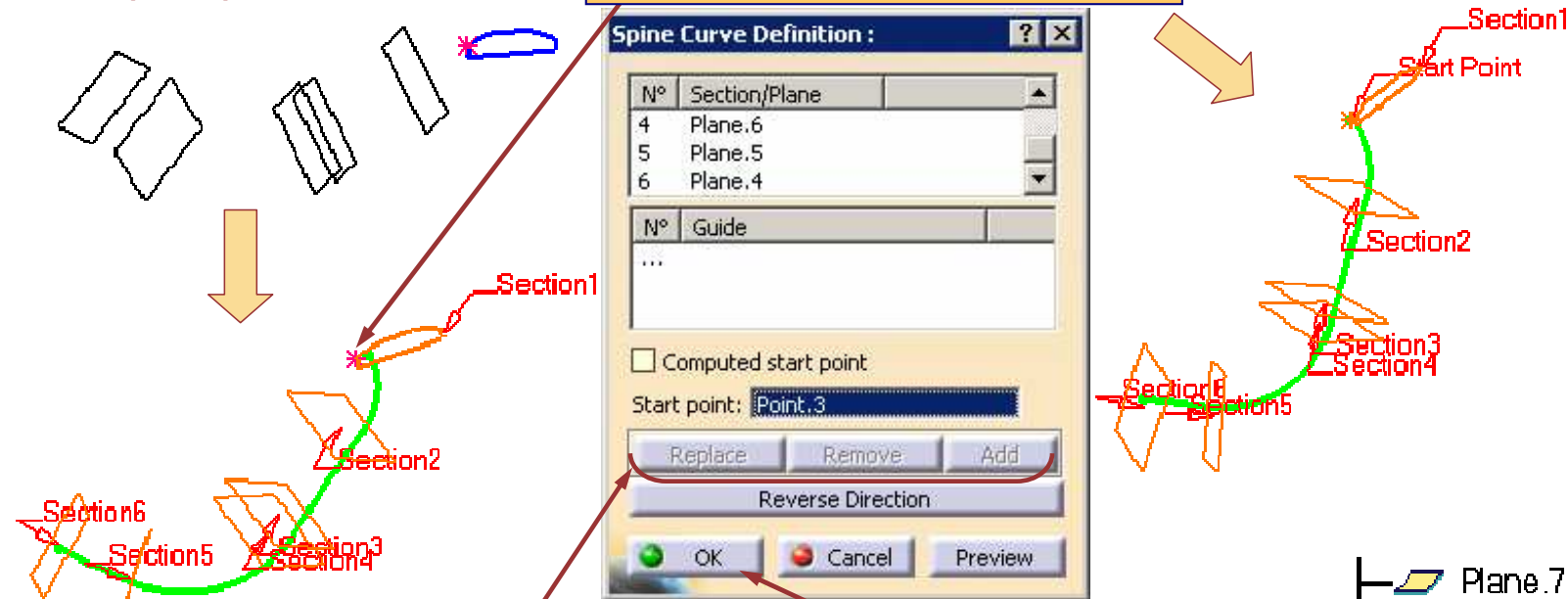
For Multi-sections surface, if a Spine is not specified, it will be computed for you.



Creating a Spine from Planes and Planar Curves

1  Select the Spine Icon.

2 Successively select planes or planar profiles.
 You can also select a start point. The point is projected onto the first plane as the spine starting point.

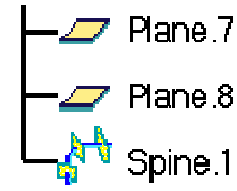


| N° | Section/Plane |
|----|---------------|
| 4 | Plane.6 |
| 5 | Plane.5 |
| 6 | Plane.4 |

| N° | Guide |
|-----|-------|
| ... | |

Buttons: Replace, Remove, Add, Reverse Direction, OK, Cancel, Preview

3 Click OK to confirm. The Spine is added to the specification tree.
 Use these three buttons to replace, delete or add a plane or a profile.



Creating a Spine from Guide Curves

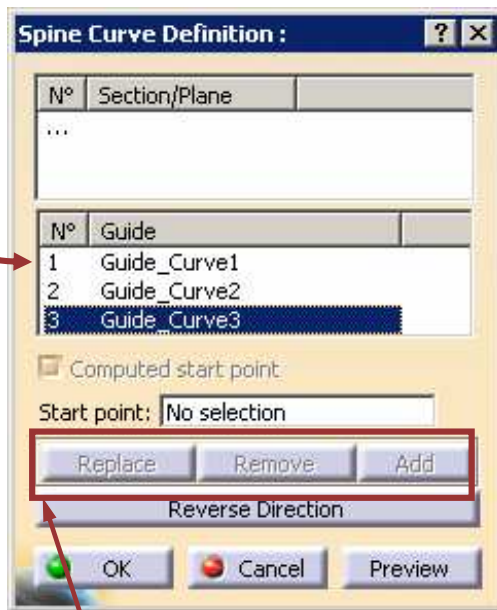
1



Select the Spine Icon.

2

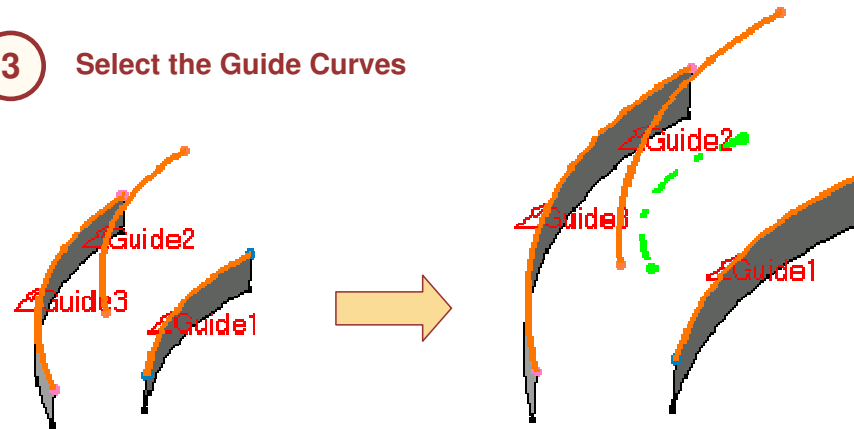
Click in the field Guide



Use these three buttons to replace, delete or add a plane or a profile.

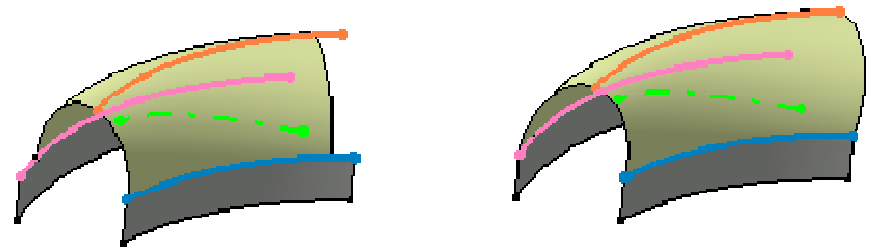
3

Select the Guide Curves



4

Click OK to confirm. The Spine is added to the specification tree.



Sweep using the default spine (guide curve 1)

Sweep using the user created spine

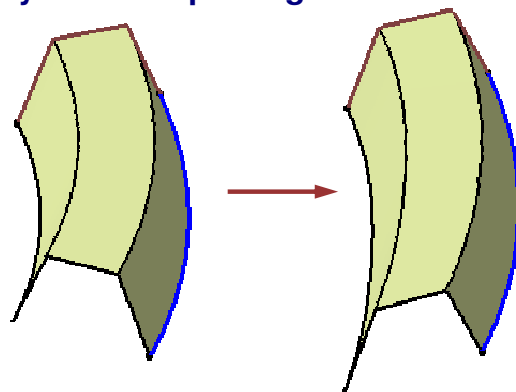
Do It Yourself



Part used: CATGSD_SpineDolt_UseSpine.CATPart

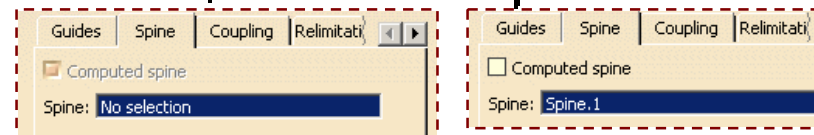
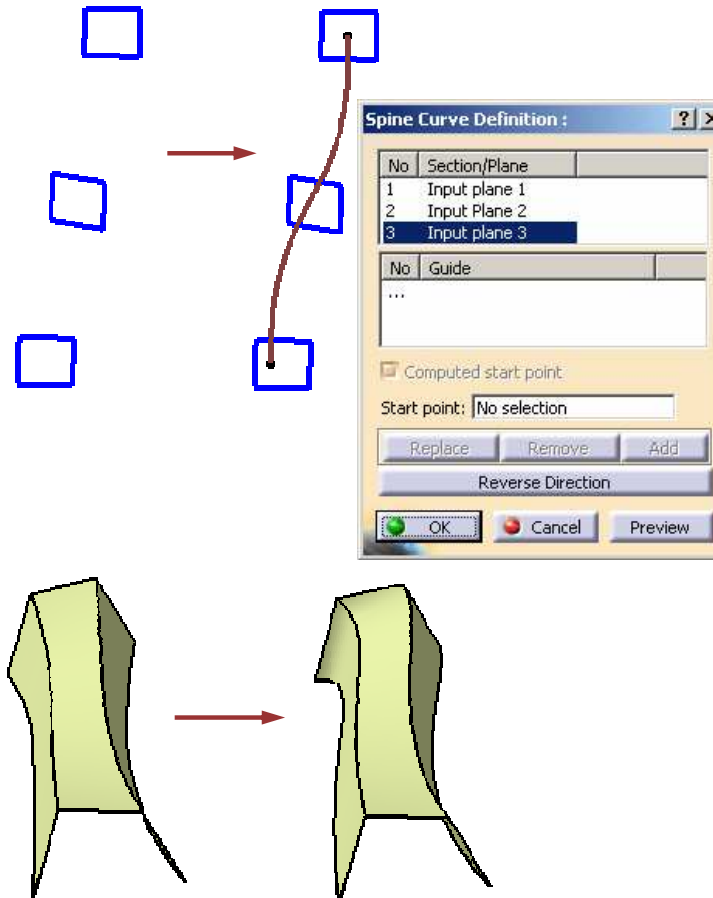
Modify the given Sweep and Multi-section surface by using a new spine.

- ◆ Create the spine with the three planes provided.
- ◆ Modify the Sweep using the new created spine



Sweep with default spine Sweep with new spine

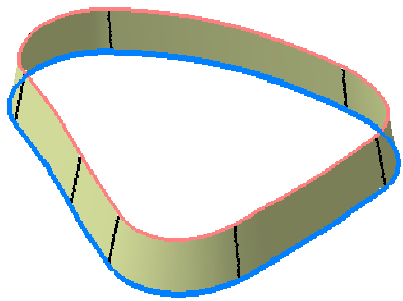
◆ Modify the Multi-section surface with the new created spine.



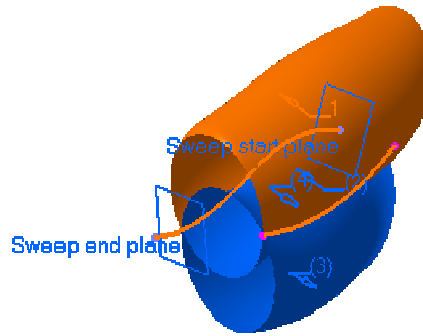
Student Notes:

Creating a Swept Surfaces

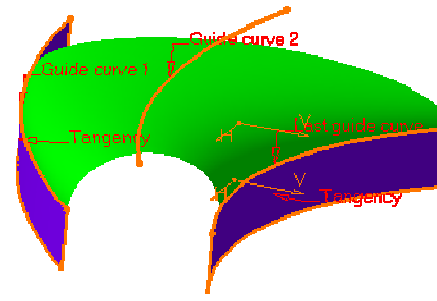
You will learn about creating different types of swept surfaces



Line Sweep



Circle Sweep

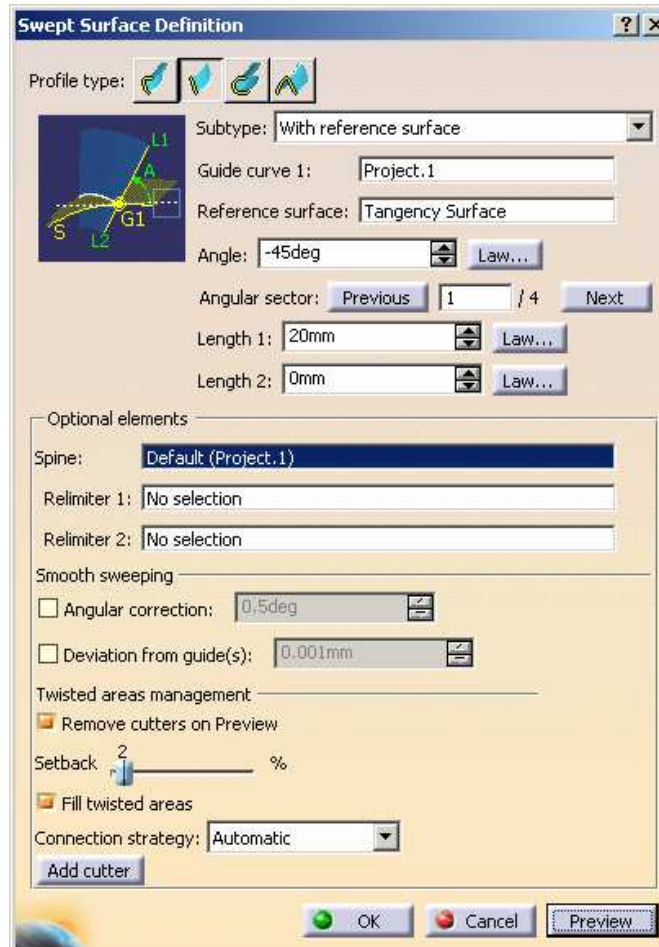
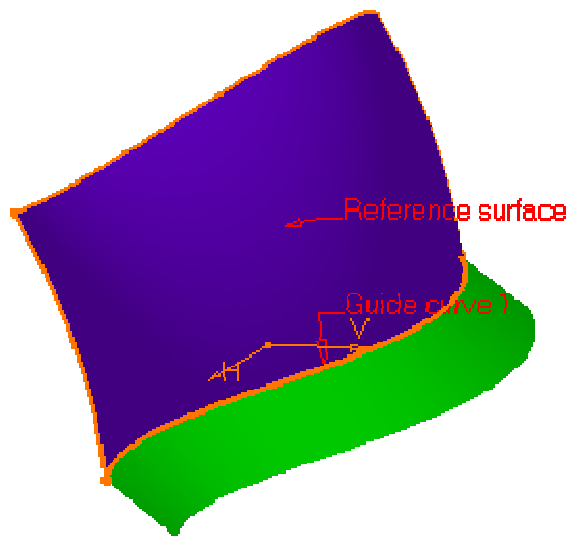


Conic Sweep



Creating Line Type Swept Surfaces

You will learn how to create swept surfaces using Linear Profiles

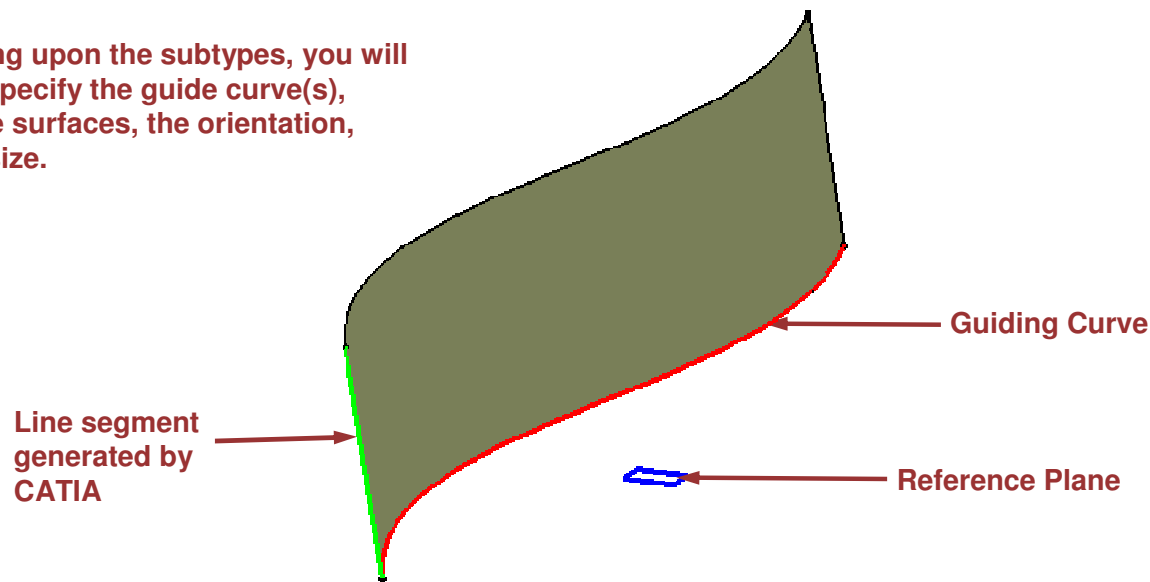


What is a Line Sweep?

A particular surface which is created by sweeping a generated line segment along one or two guide curves



Depending upon the subtypes, you will have to specify the guide curve(s), reference surfaces, the orientation, and the size.



Creating a Line-type Swept Surface : Two Limits

1



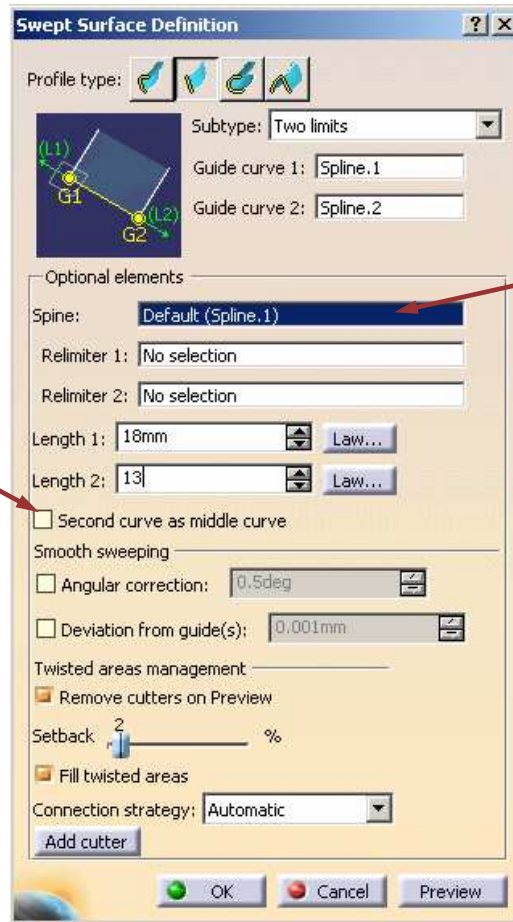
Line type :



Subtype : Two limits

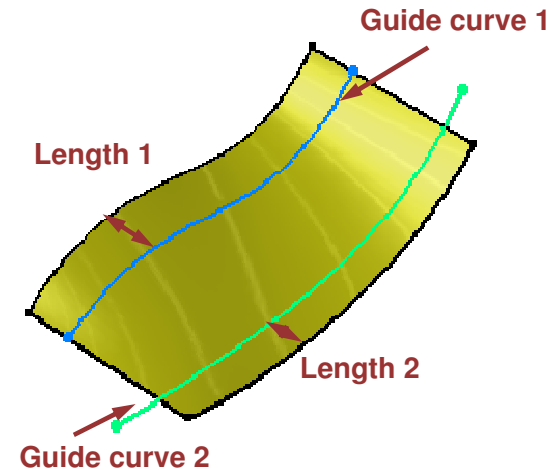
2

Click on the Line icon, then select the Two limits subtype and the two guide curves.



You can select the second guide curve as middle curve instead of entering length values (same as Limit and middle subtype)

If no spine is selected the first guide curve is used as spine.



3

Confirm surface creation

Creating a Line-type Swept Surface : Reference Surface

1



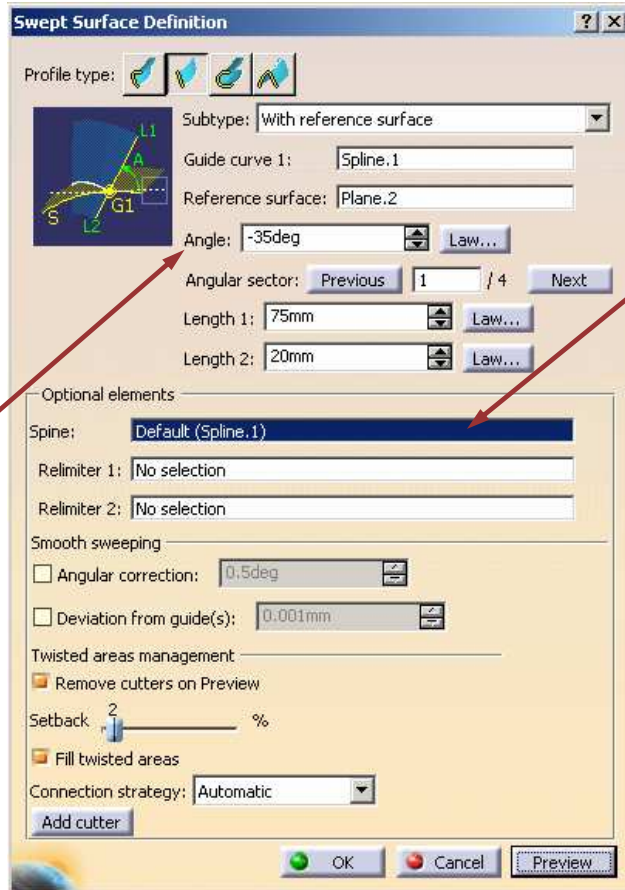
Line type :



Subtype : With reference surface

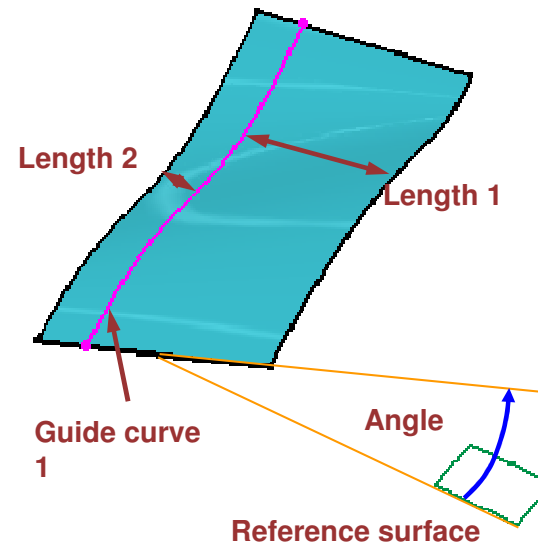
2

Click on the Line icon, then select the With reference surface subtype, the guide curve and the reference surface. Key in an angle value and define the length of the surface.



Angle between the sweep and the reference surface.

If no spine is selected the first guide curve is used as spine.



3

Confirm surface creation

Creating a Line-type Swept Surface : Tangency Surface

1



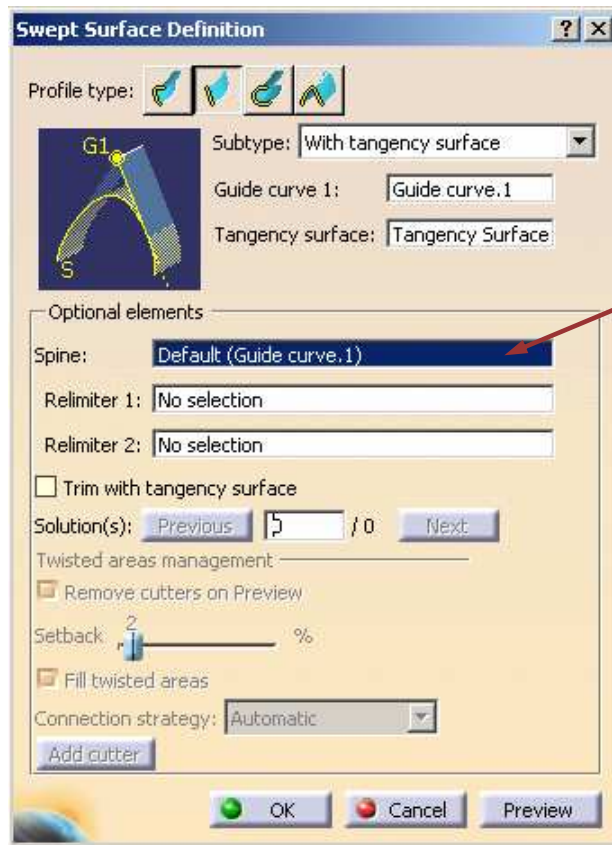
Line type :



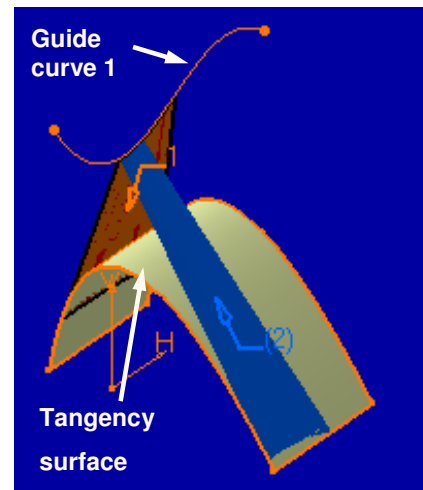
Subtype : With tangency surface

2

Click on the Line icon, then select the With tangent surface subtype, the guide curve and the tangency surface.



If no spine is selected the first guide curve is used as spine.

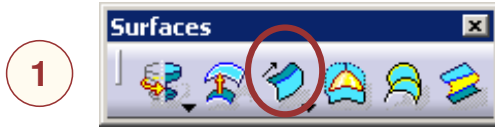


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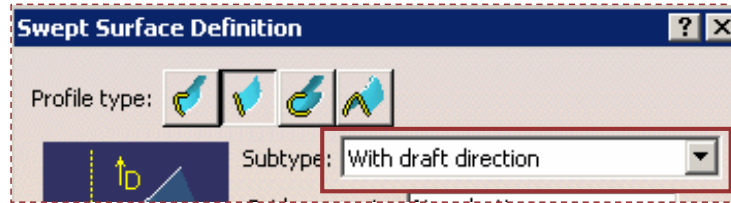
Confirm surface creation

Student Notes:

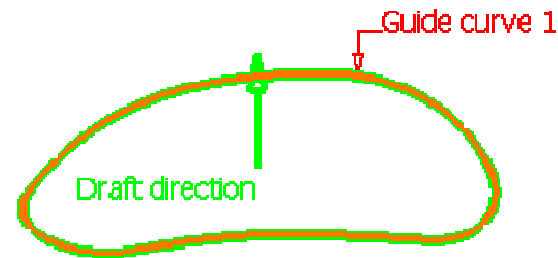
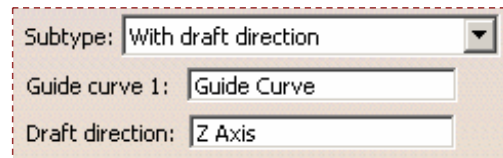
Creating a Line Type Swept Surface : Draft Sweep (1/3)



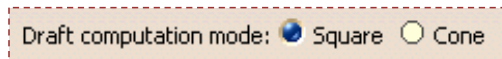
2 Select the sweep with draft direction as sweep type :



3 Select a guide curve and a draft direction :



4 Choose a draft computation mode :

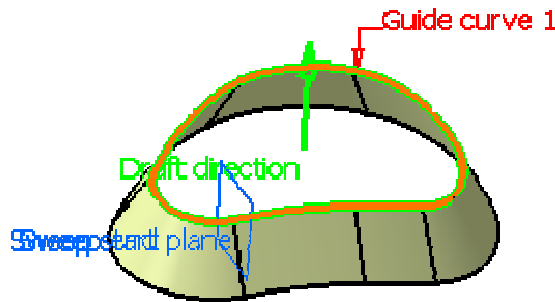


Creating a Line Type Swept Surface : Draft Sweep (2/3)

5 Select the way you want the draft angle to evolve :

Wholly defined | G1-Constant | Location values

Angle: 30deg Law...



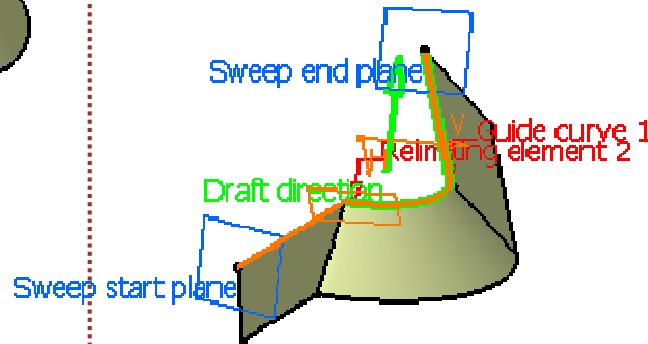
The draft angle value is constant all the guide curve long, unless a "Law" is defined.

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Wholly constant | G1-Constant | Location values

10deg
45deg

Current angle: 45deg



You can specify a different draft angle value for each segment of the guide curve that is continuous in tangency (G1 segments).

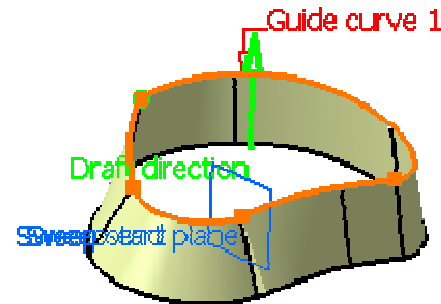
You can specify different draft angle values at any point created on the guide curve.

Wholly constant | G1-Constant | Location values

| Location | Value |
|----------|-------|
| Point.6 | 30deg |
| Point.4 | 10deg |
| Point.3 | 10deg |

Remove current location

Current angle: 30deg

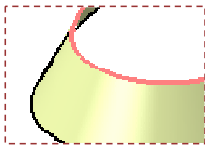


Student Notes:

Creating a Line Type Swept Surface : Draft Sweep (3/3)

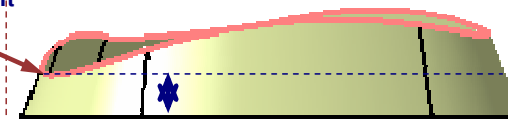
6 Select a relimitation mode for each side of the swept surface :

Implicit 0 value :
The surface limitation is the guide curve.

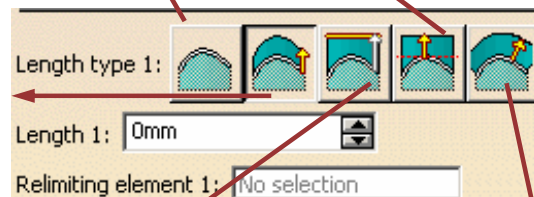
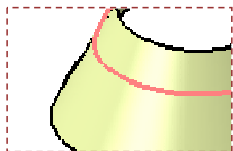


Length starting from guide curve extremum :
The surface length is calculated from the guide curve extremum in the draft direction.

Extremum on the guide curve in the draft direction

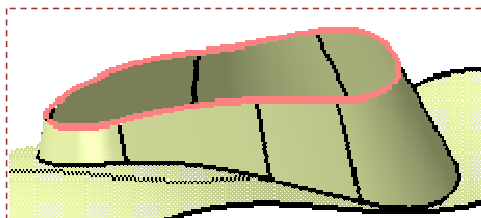


Length :
The surface limitation is defined by a length between the guide curve and the surface edge.

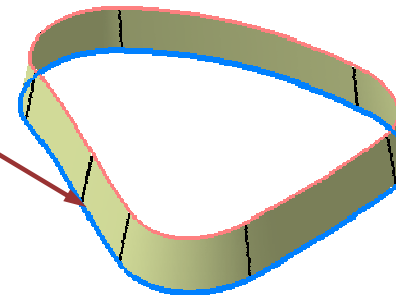


Length along Surface:
The length is used as an Euclidean parallel curve distance to relimit the swept surface .

Up to plane or surface :
The sweep is relimited by a surface or a plane.

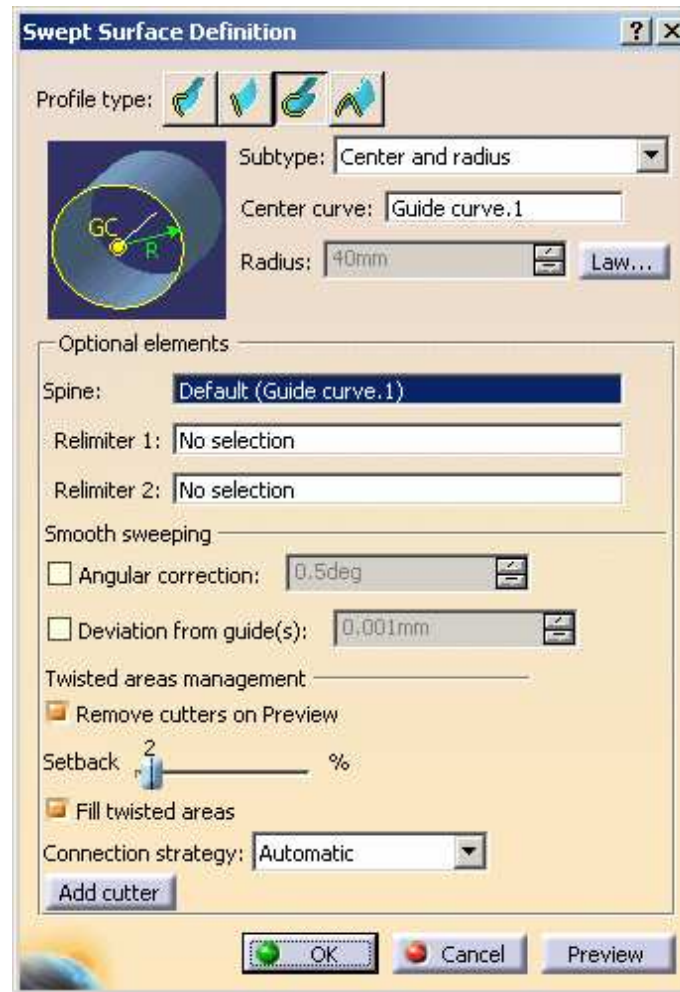
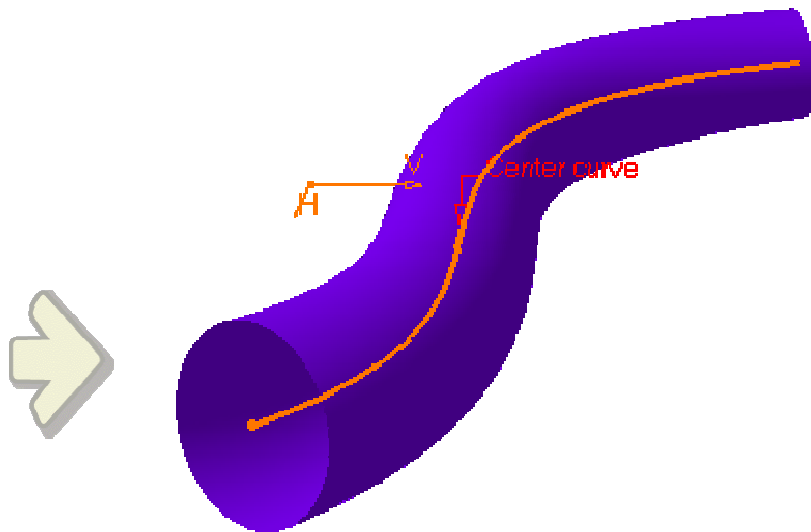


Euclidean parallel curve



Creating Circle Type Swept Surfaces

You will learn how to create swept surfaces using Circular Profiles



What is a Circle Sweep?

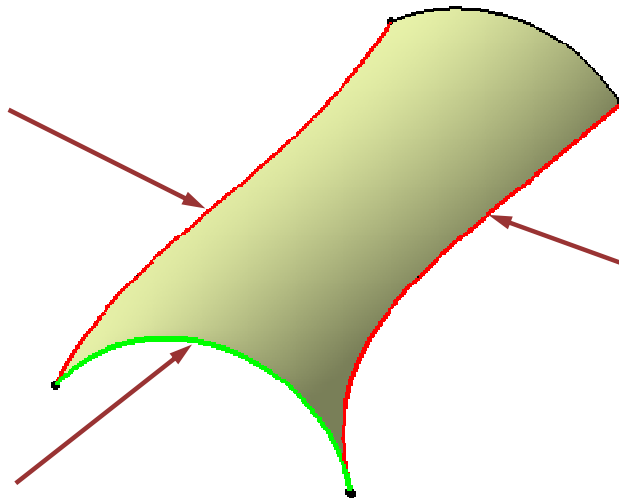
A particular surface which is created by sweeping a generated circular arc along several guiding conditions.



Guide Curve

Guide Curve

Circular arc
generated by
CATIA



Creating a Circle-type Swept Surface : Two Guides and Radius

1



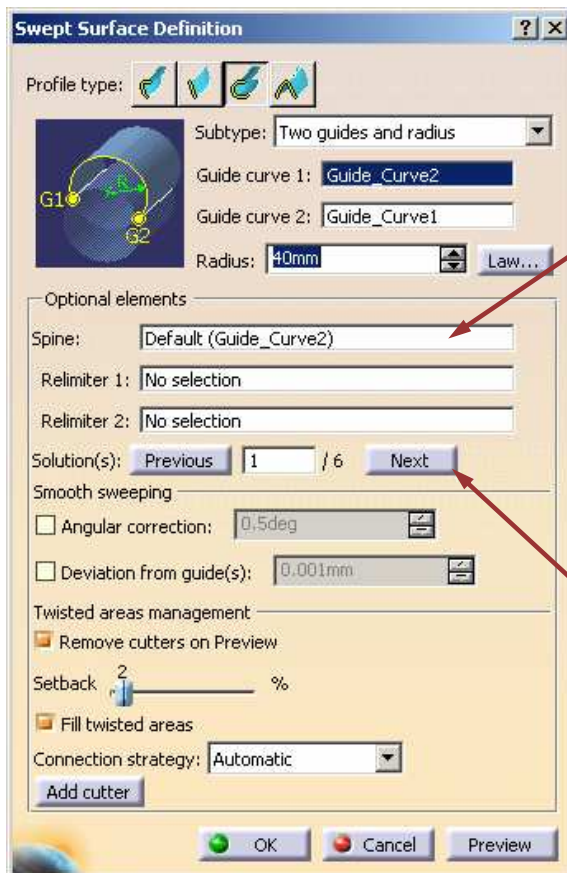
Circle type :



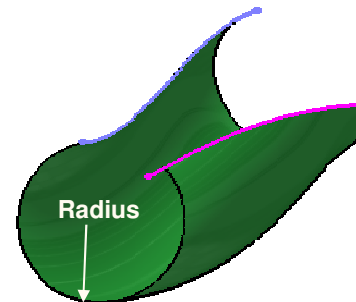
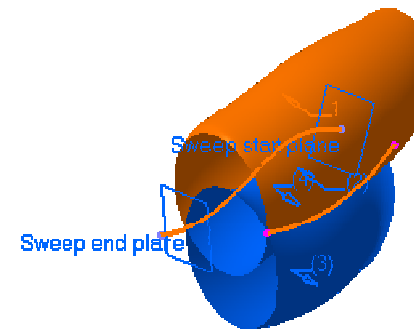
Subtype : Two guides and radius

2

Click on the Circle icon, then select the Two guides and radius subtype, the two guide curves and the radius.



If no spine is selected the first guide curve is used as spine.



In case of several solutions you can check them all and then select one of them (Highlighted color = active solution)

3

Confirm surface creation

Creating a Circle-type Swept Surface : Center and Radius

1



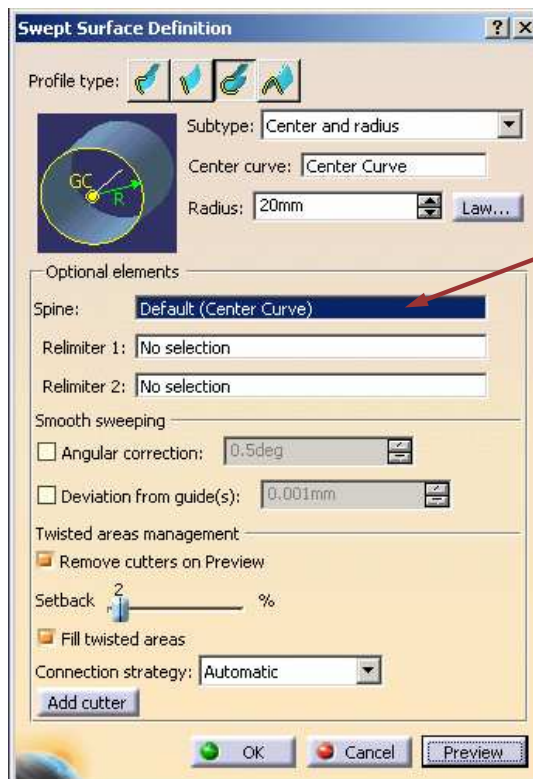
Circle type :



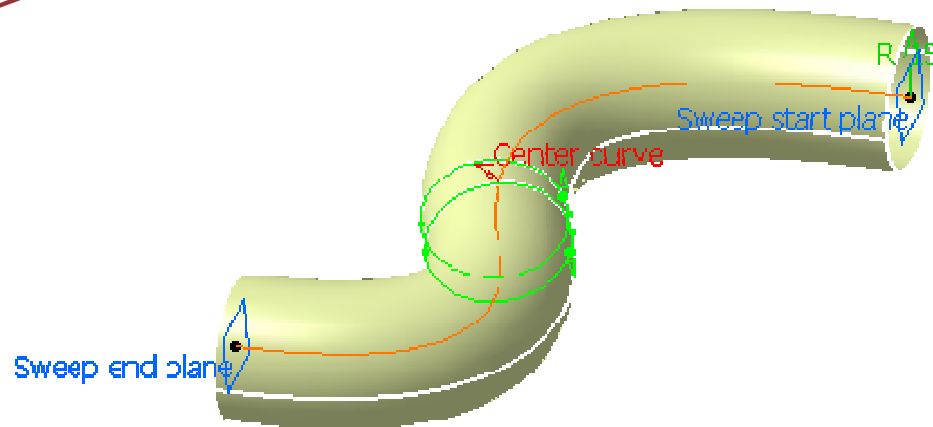
Subtype : Center and radius

2

Click on the Circle icon, then select the Center and radius subtype, a center curve and a radius.



If no spine is selected the center curve is used as spine.



3

Confirm surface creation

Creating a Circle-type Swept Surface : One Guide and Tangency Surface

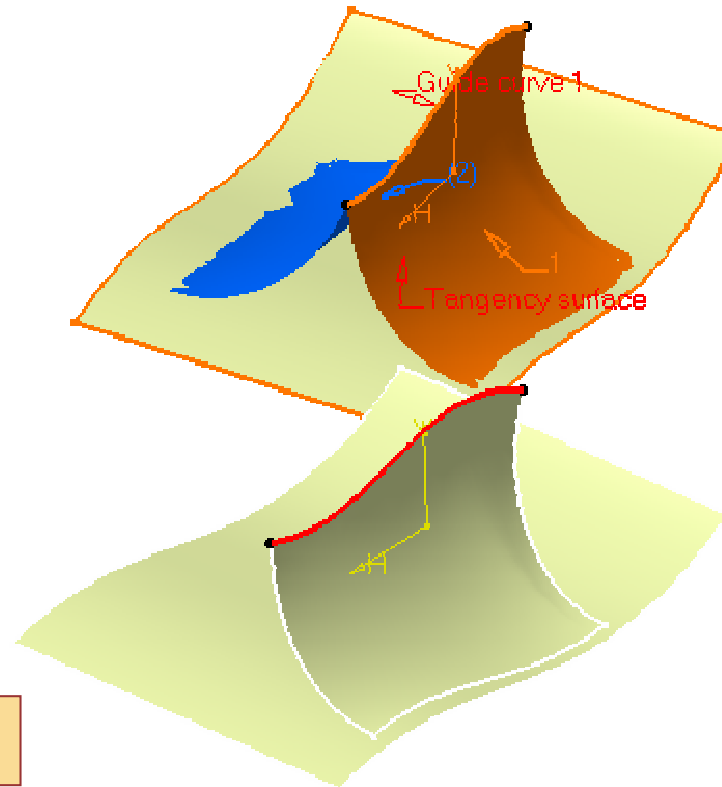
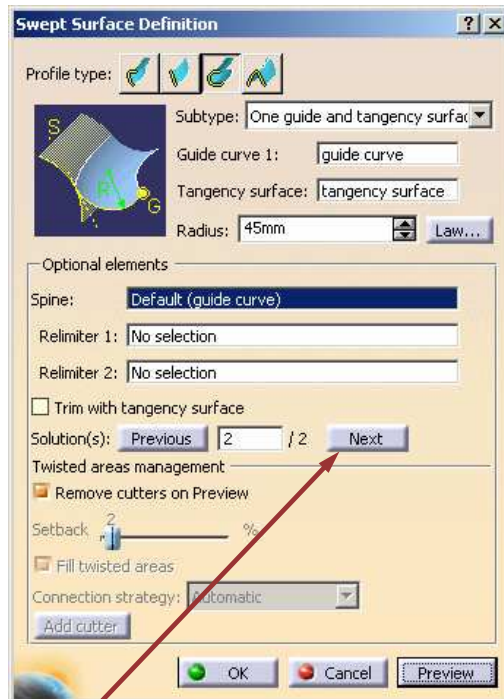
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Circle type :  Subtype : One Guide and Tangency Surface

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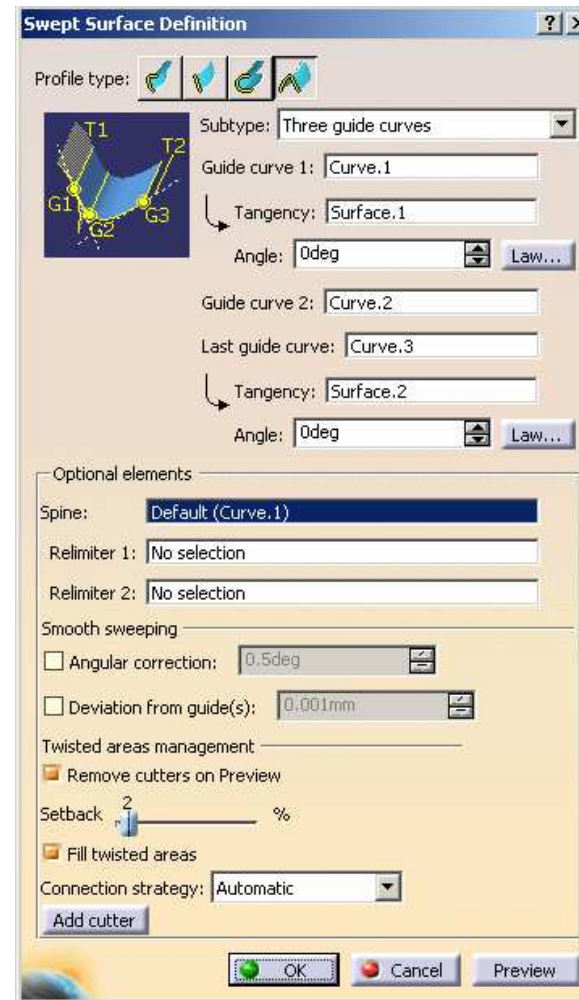
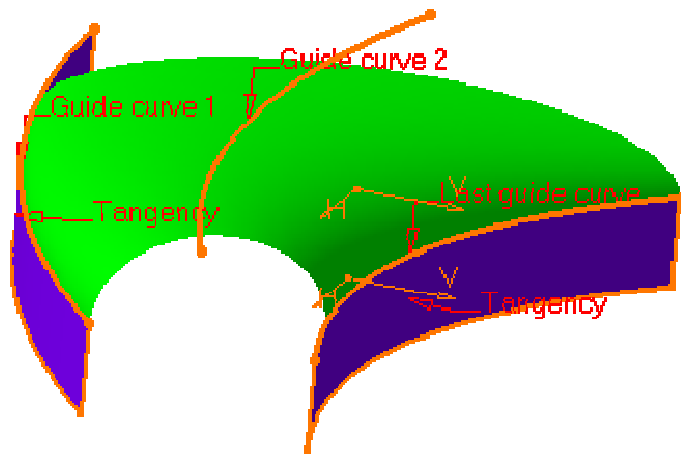
Click on the Circle icon, then select the one guide and tangency surface as subtype. Select the guide curve, the tangency surface, and key in a radius sufficient to link the guide curve and the tangency surface.



In case of several solutions you can check them all and then select one of them (orange color = active solution)

Creating Conic Type Swept Surfaces

You will learn how to create swept surfaces using Conical Profiles



Creating a Conic Type Swept Surface : Two Guide Curves

1



Conical type :

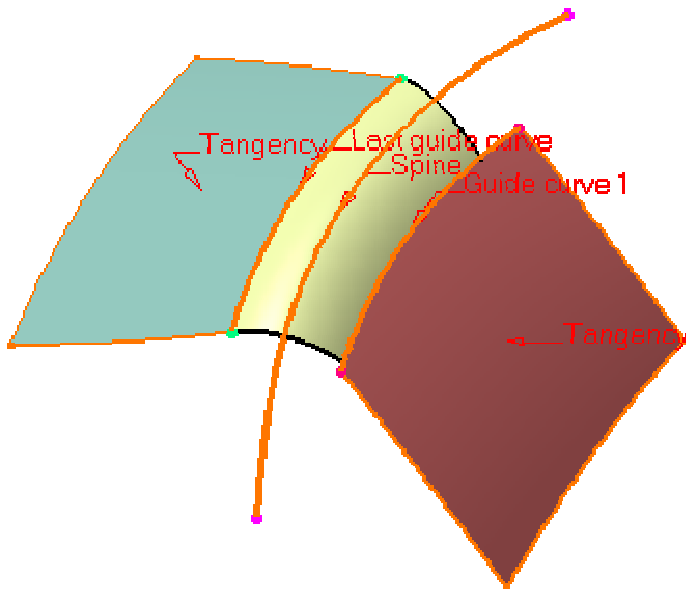


Subtype : Two Guide curves

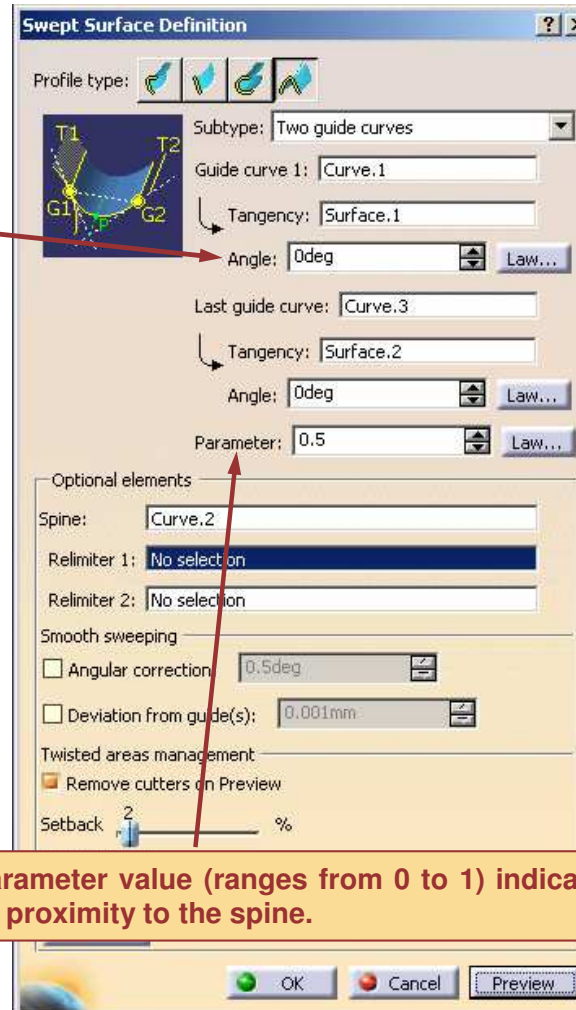
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Click on the Conic icon, then select Two guide curves and their tangency supports.

Define an angle between the swept surface and the tangency surface



3 Confirm surface creation



Set the parameter value (ranges from 0 to 1) indicating the sweep proximity to the spine.

Creating a Conical-type Swept Surface : Five Guide Curves

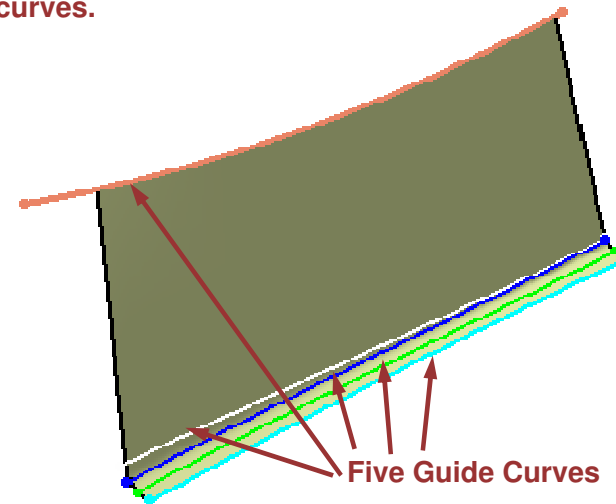
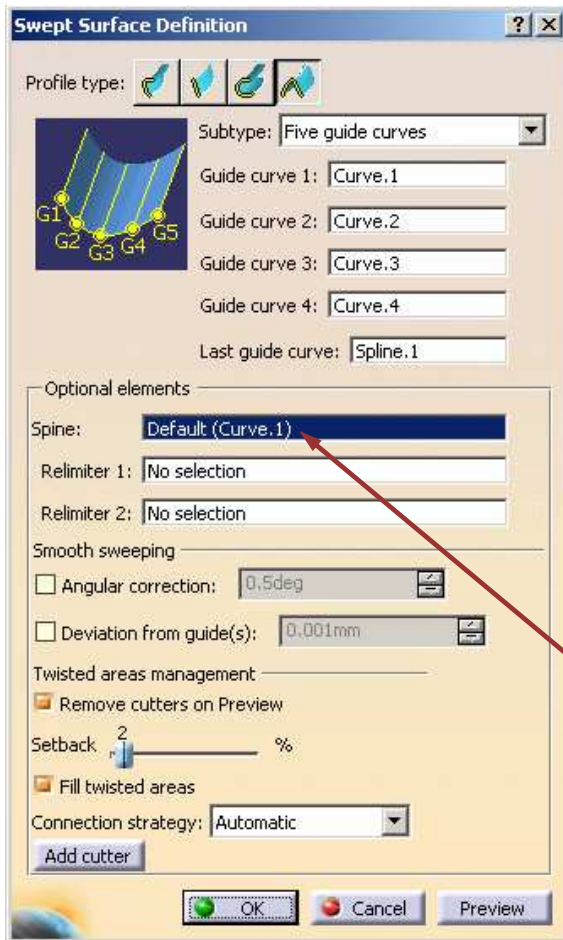
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Conical type :  Subtype : Five Guide curves

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Click on the Conic icon, then select Five guide curves.



You can specify a Spine curve. The default spine is always the first guide curve.

3

Confirm surface creation

Knob

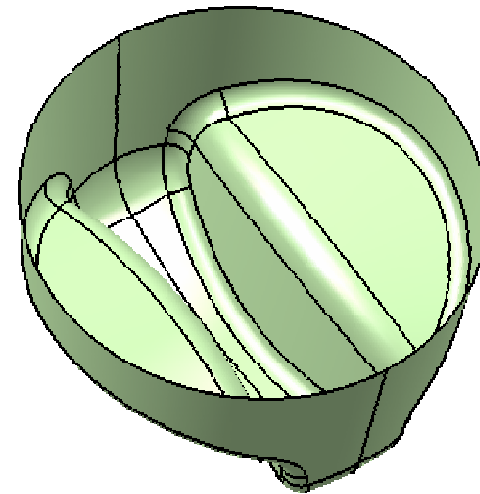
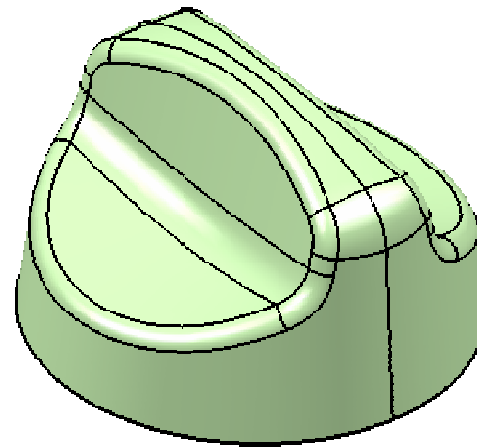
Recap Exercise: Swept Surface



40 min

In this exercise you will:

- Build a 'Knob' model using a given wireframe.
- Use Line and Circle Swept Surfaces to generating the 'Knob' shapes.
- Design a law and use it to define the shape of the fillets
- Finally, apply dress up features and complete the model

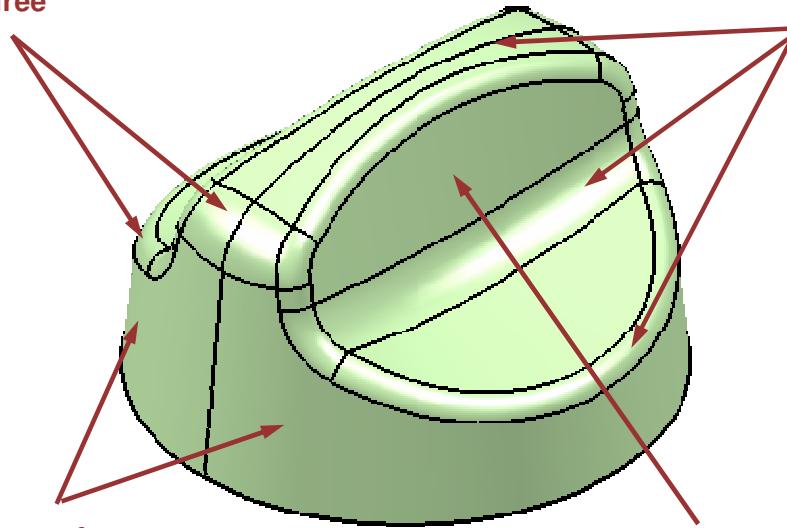


Student Notes:

Design Intent: Knob

A surface with a better Topology for problem free machining of the die

Attractive Shape & Styling for better aesthetics



Optimum draft on outer surface for easy ejection from the mold

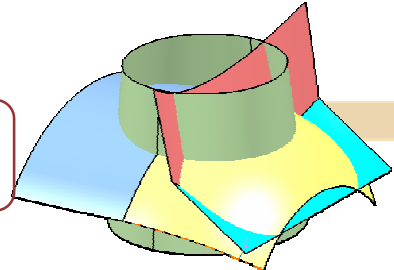
Sufficient hold area for easy rotation with less effort

Student Notes:

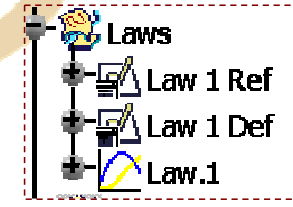
Design process: Knob



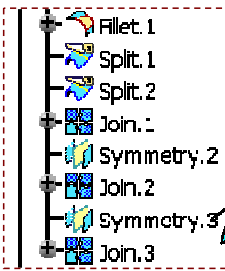
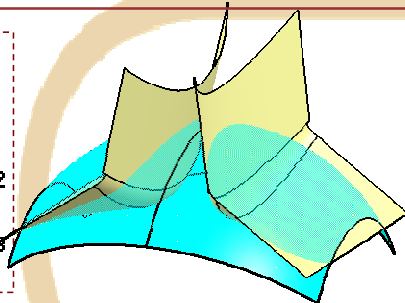
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Design Basic Surfaces



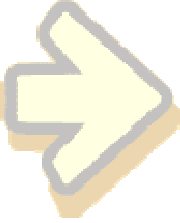
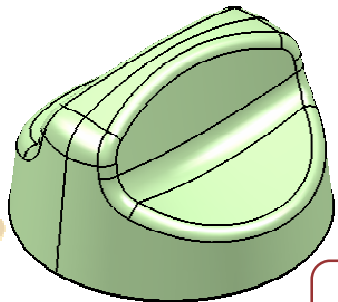
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Create Laws



3
Design the Intermediate Surfaces



4
Design the Final Surfaces



Do It Yourself (1/11)

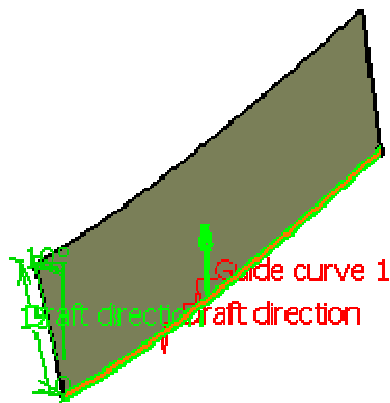
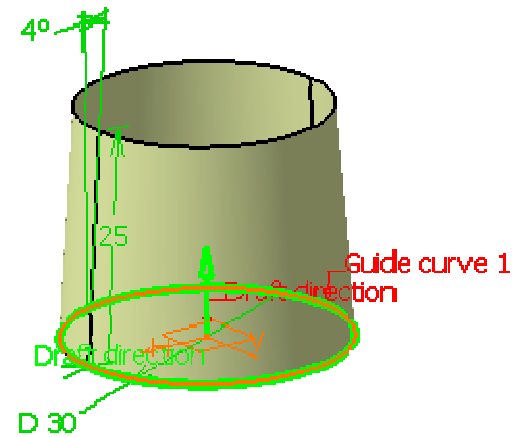


Part Used: CATGSD_F_Knob_Start.Catpart

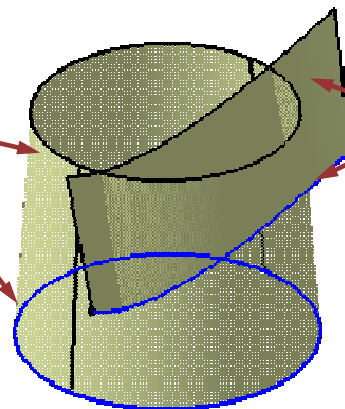
Create the basic surface of the Knob using the given wireframe

- ◆ Create the first swept surface using the “Base sketch”
 - ◆ Sweep type “Line” & Subtype “with draft direction”
 - ◆ Use “Base sketch” as Guide Curve 1
 - ◆ Draft direction “XY Plane”
 - ◆ Draft angle “4 deg” and square wholly defined
 - ◆ Enter Length.2 as 25 mm

- ◆ Create the second swept surface using ‘Spline.1’ as a ‘Guide curve.1’ with the same specifications as the first sweep.
 - ◆ Draft angle 10deg
 - ◆ Enter Length.2 equal to 15 mm.



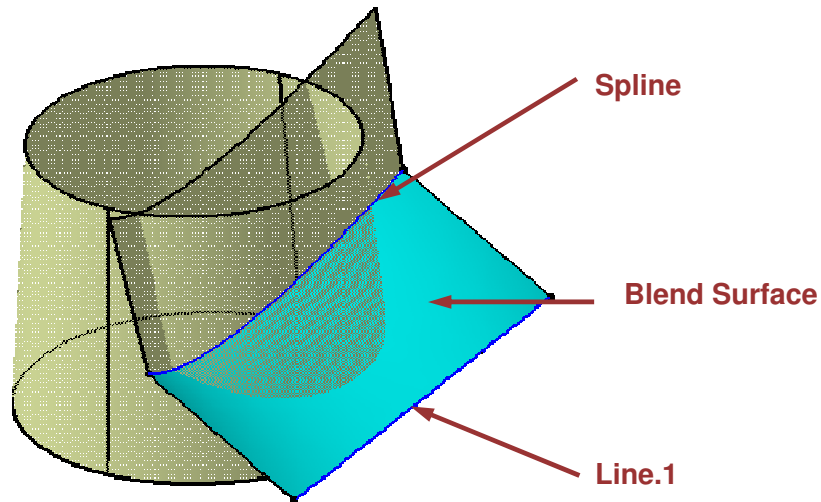
Sweep.1 from
“Base Sketch”



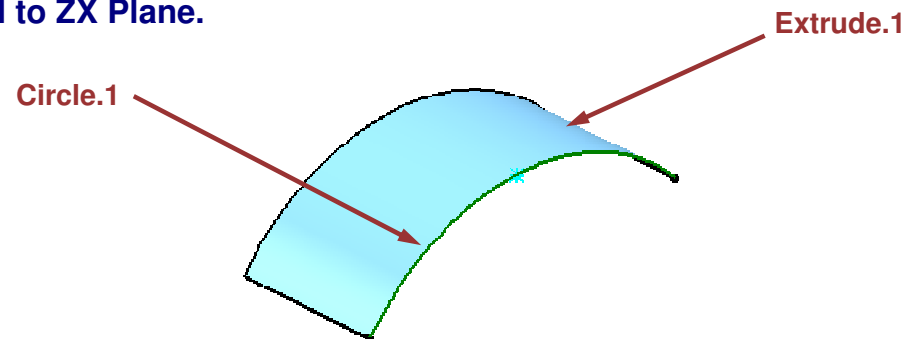
Sweep.2 from
“Spline”

Do It Yourself (2/11)

- Create a Blend.1 surface between “Spline.1” and “Line.1”

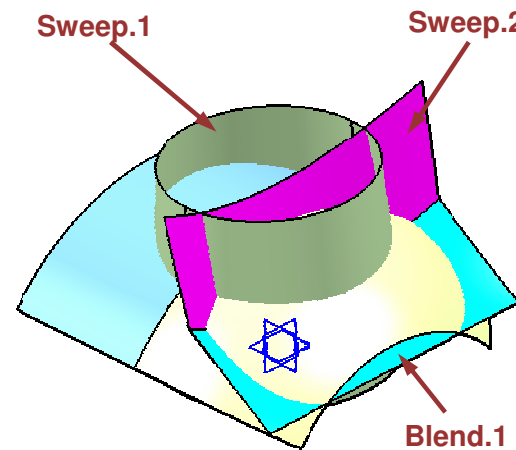
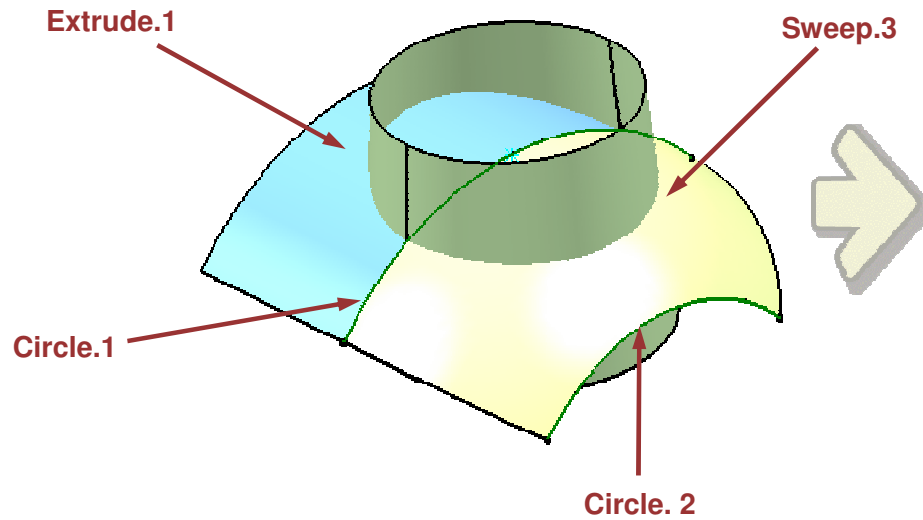
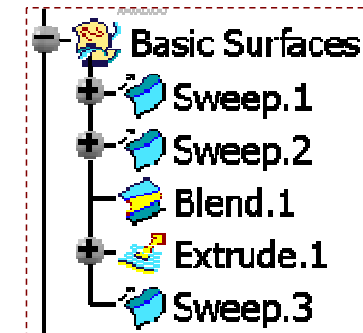


- Create an Extrude from “Circle.1”. This extrude will be used to create “Sweep.3”.
 - ◆ Extrude it by 20 mm normal to ZX Plane.



Do It Yourself (3/11)

- Create a “Sweep.3”. Use previously created extrude to create it.
 - ◆ Type: Circle. Sub type: Two guides and tangency surface
 - ◆ Limit curve with tangency: Circle.1
 - ◆ Tangency surface: Extrude.1
 - ◆ Limit curve: Circle.2

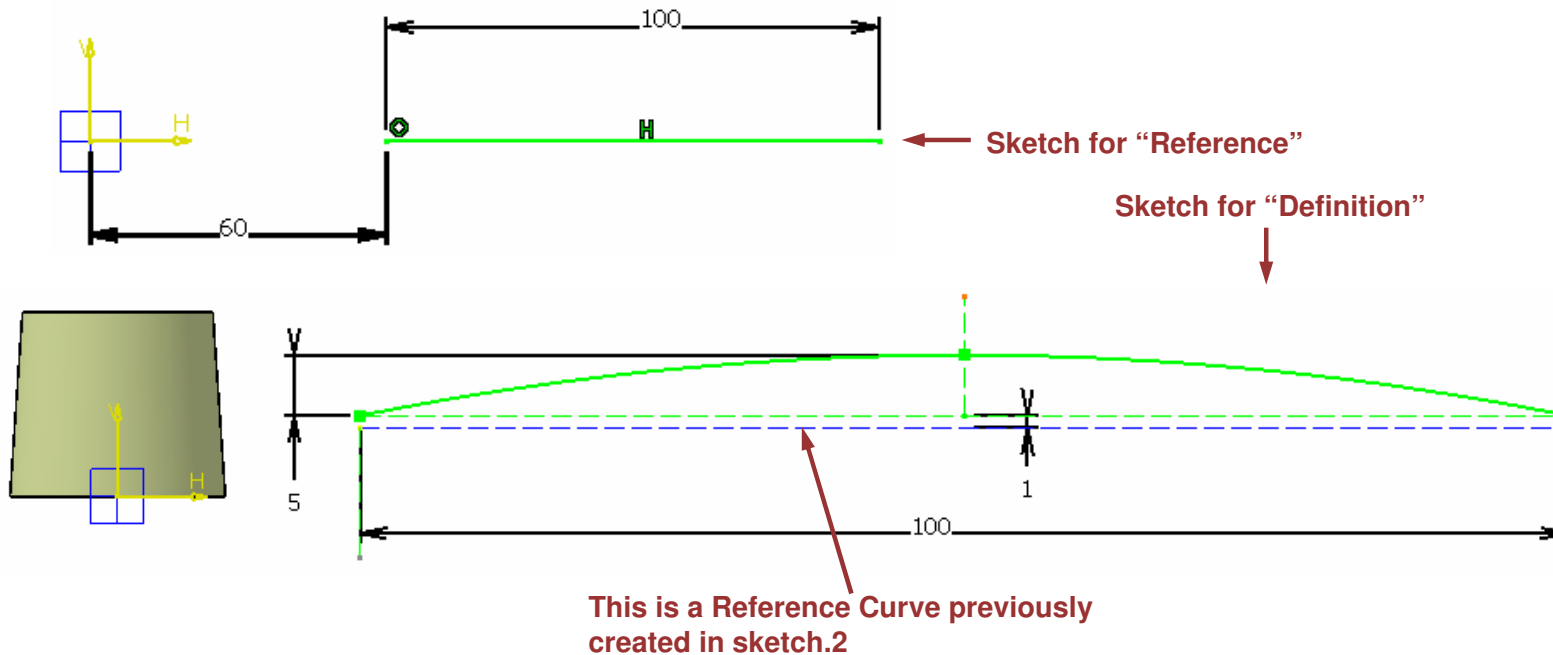


Contents of the “Basic Surfaces” Geometrical Set.

Do It Yourself (4/11)

Create a law to define the shape of the fillet.

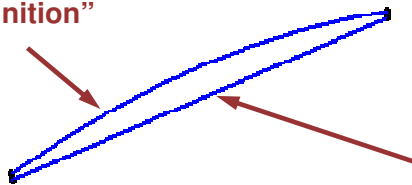
- To create a Law, you need to specify the “Reference” and “Definition” curves.
 - ◆ Make Geometrical set “Laws” Active
 - ◆ Sketch the “Reference” for the law in to Positioned Sketch.2 (Law.1Ref).
 - ◆ Sketch the “Definition” for the law in to Positioned Sketch.3 (Law.2 Def) as shown in the picture. Use following Inputs for both Sketches:
Origin: Part Origin. Orientation: X axis, Reference:ZX plane.



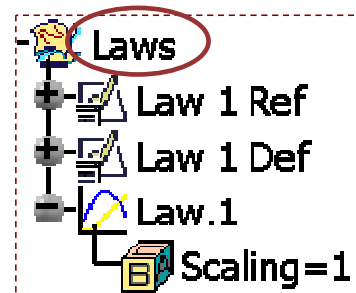
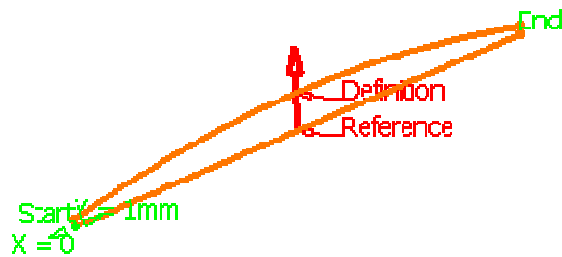
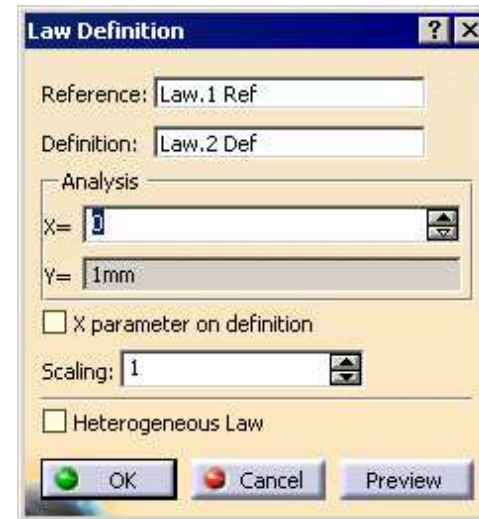
Do It Yourself (5/11)

- ◆ Access the law command to create the law.
- ◆ This Law will then be used to define the shape of the fillet

Sketch for "Definition"



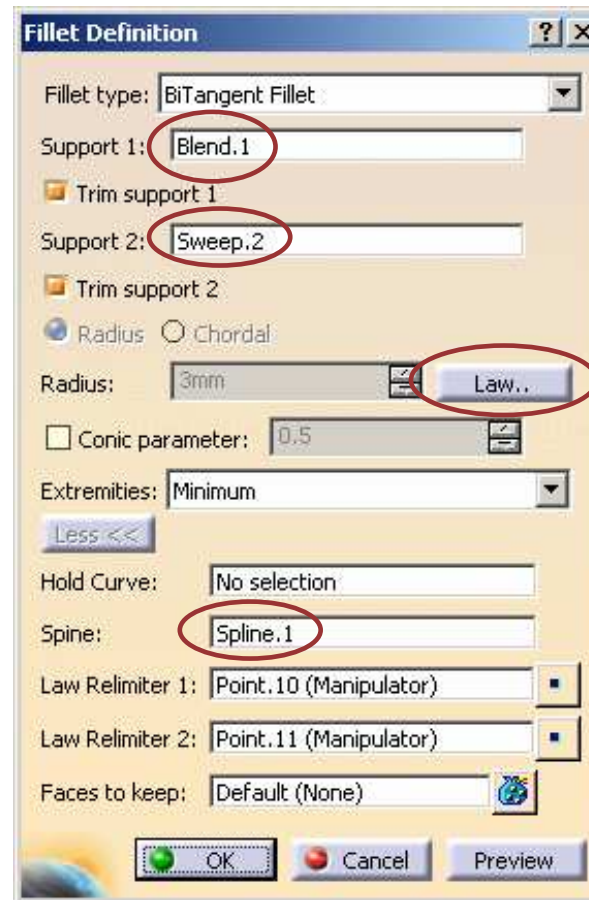
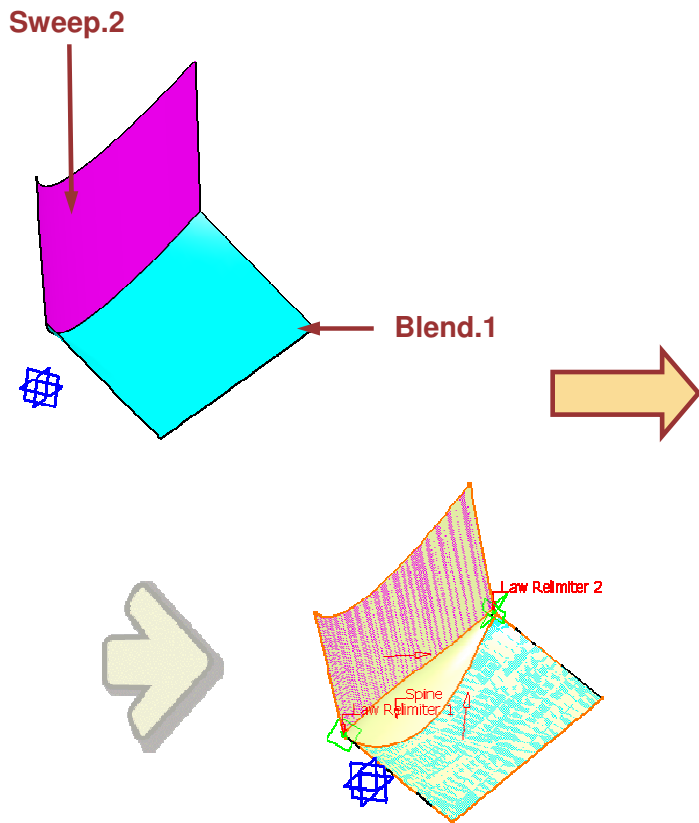
Sketch for "Reference"



Do It Yourself (6/11)

Create Intermediate surfaces which will be used as inputs to create final Knob
(Work in Object “Intermediate surfaces”)

- Create a Bitangent Shape fillet between Blend.1 and Sweep.2

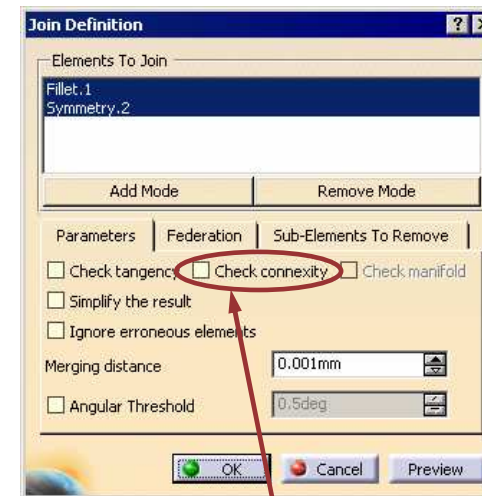
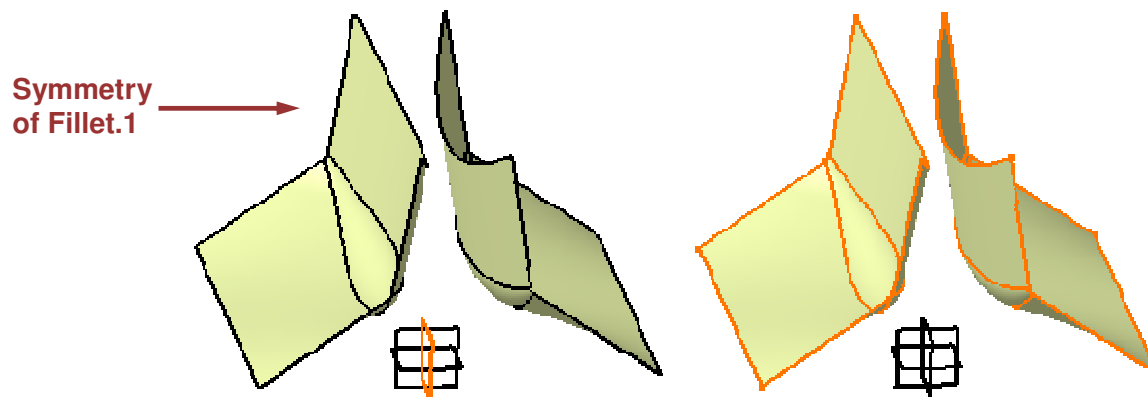


Specify the law you created here

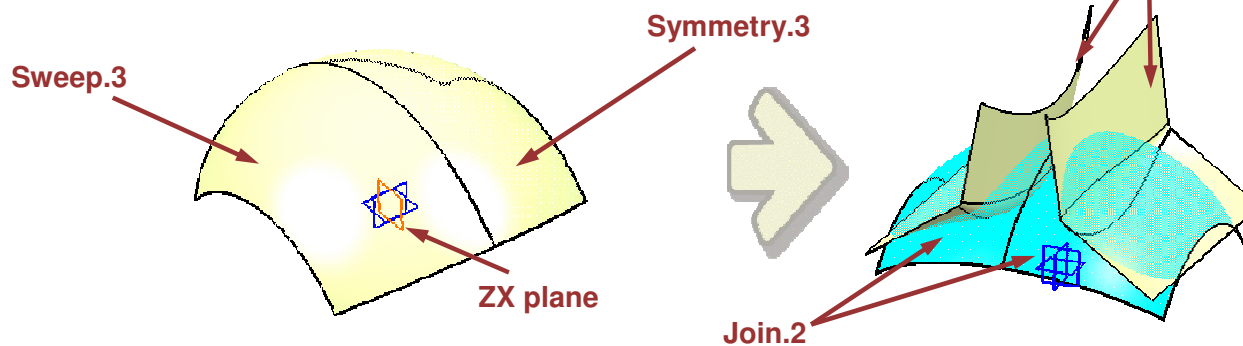
Student Notes:

Do It Yourself (7/11)

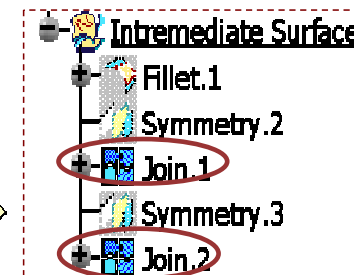
- Create a Symmetry.2 of this Fillet.1 about ZX Plane.
- Create a Join.1 between Fillet.1 and Symmetry.2



- Create a Symmetry(Symmetry.3) of Sweep.3 about ZX plane.
- Create a Join.2 between Sweep.3 & and Symmetry.3



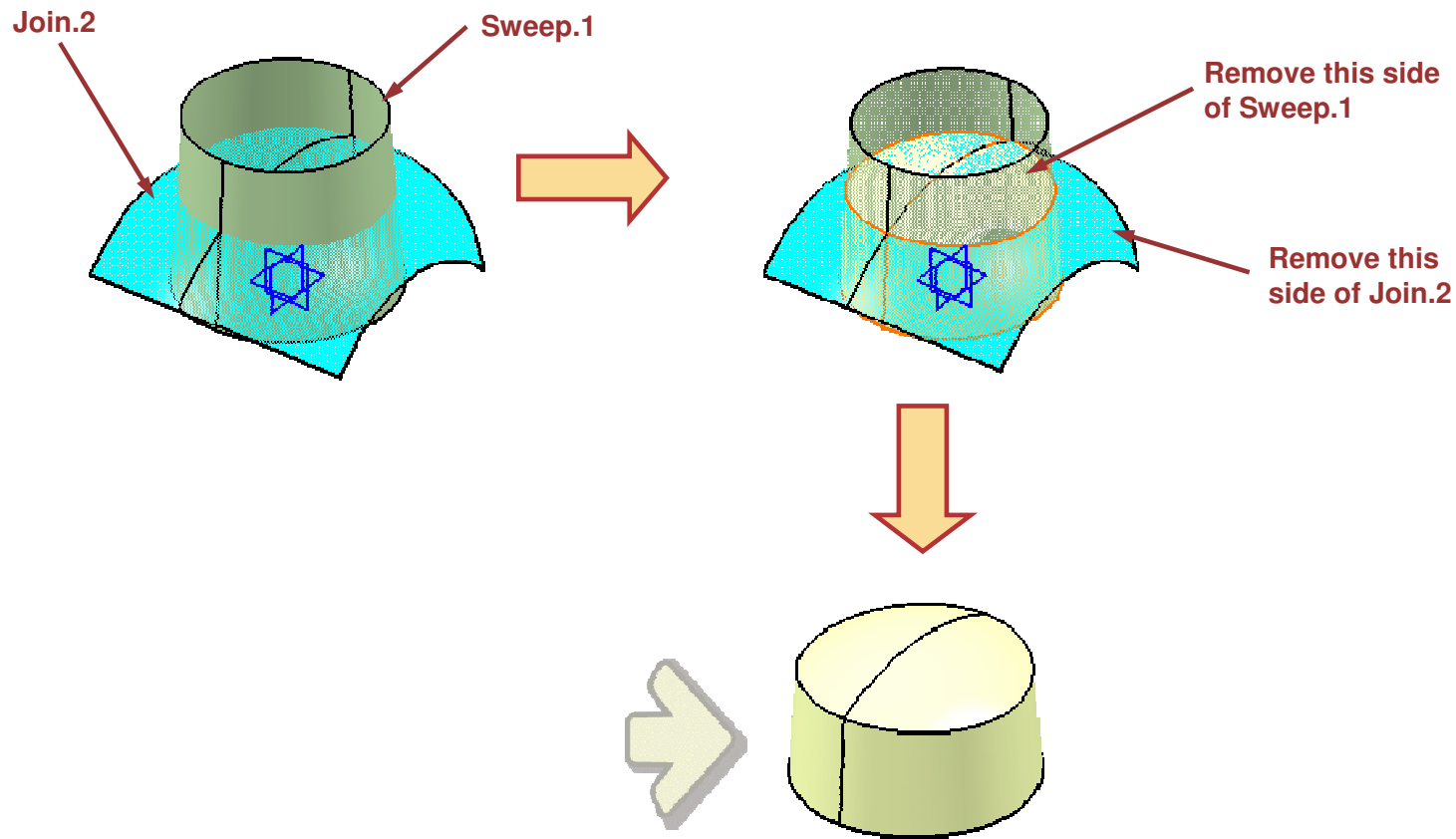
Join.1 Check connexity off



Do It Yourself (8/11)

Create the final Knob using the Basic surfaces and the Intermediate surfaces.
(Work in Object “Final surfaces”)

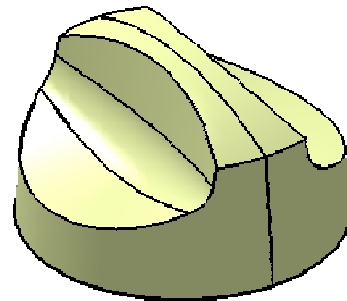
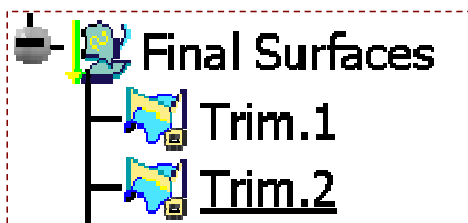
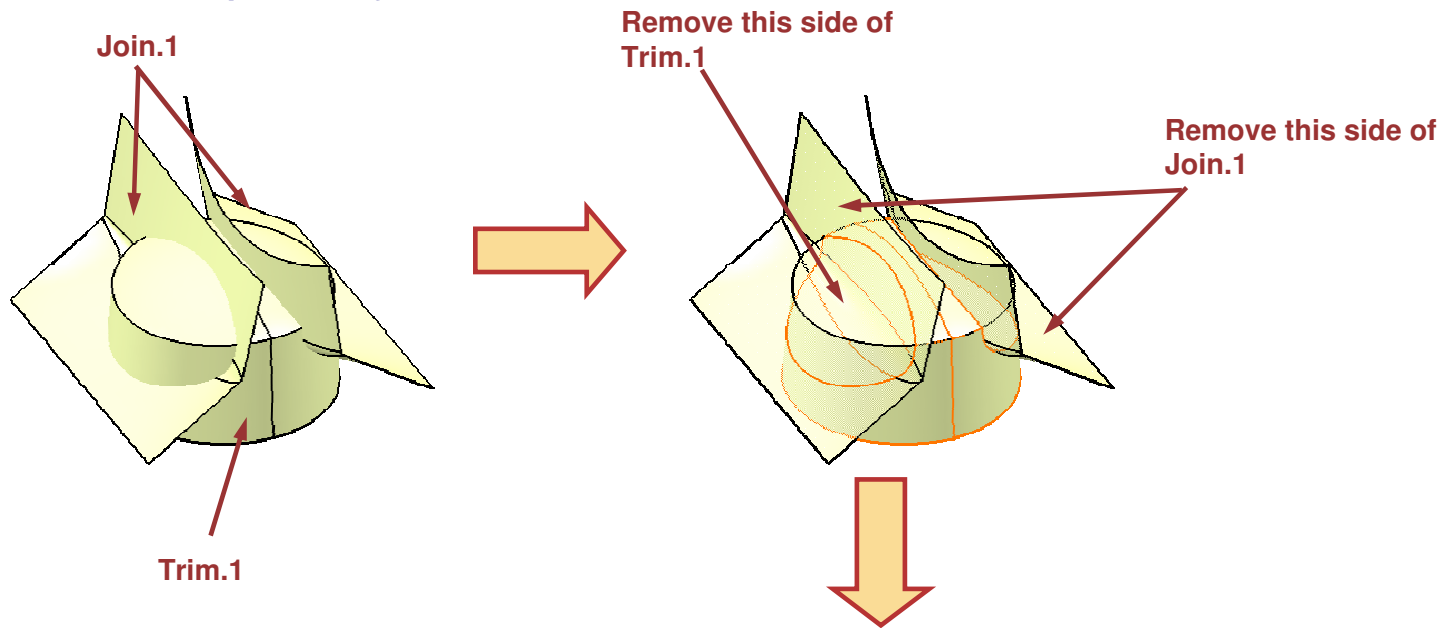
- Trim “Sweep.1” from “Basic Surfaces” with “Join.2” from “Intermediate Surfaces”.



Student Notes:

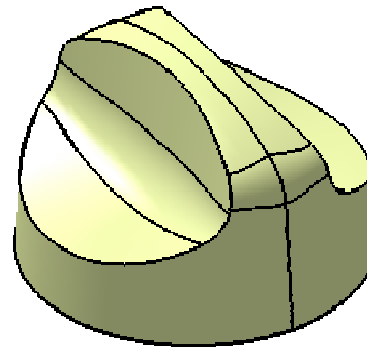
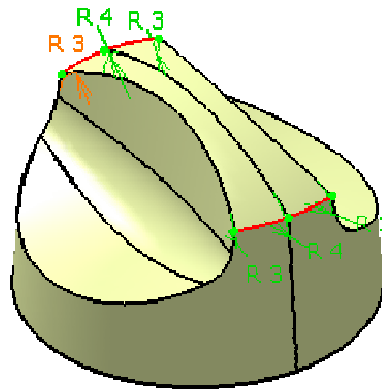
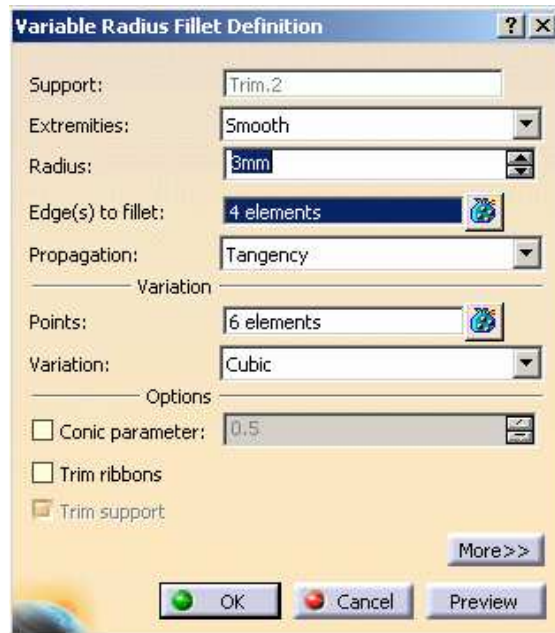
Do It Yourself (9/11)

- Show "Join.1".
- Trim Join.1 with previously created Trim.1



Do It Yourself (10/11)

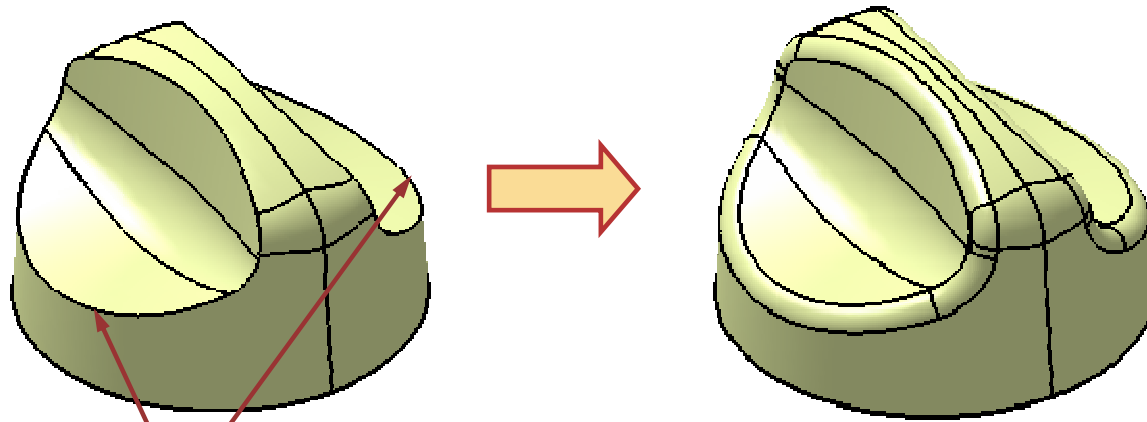
- Apply Variable radius fillet to the edge shown. The radius value at the ends is 3mm and at the middle is 4mm.



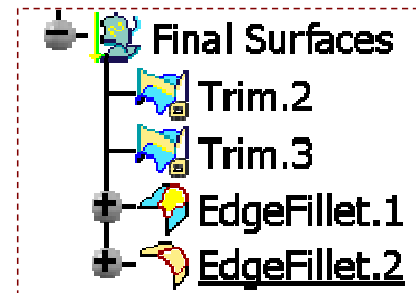
Student Notes:

Do It Yourself (11/11)

- Apply Edge fillet of 1.5mm radius to the edge shown.



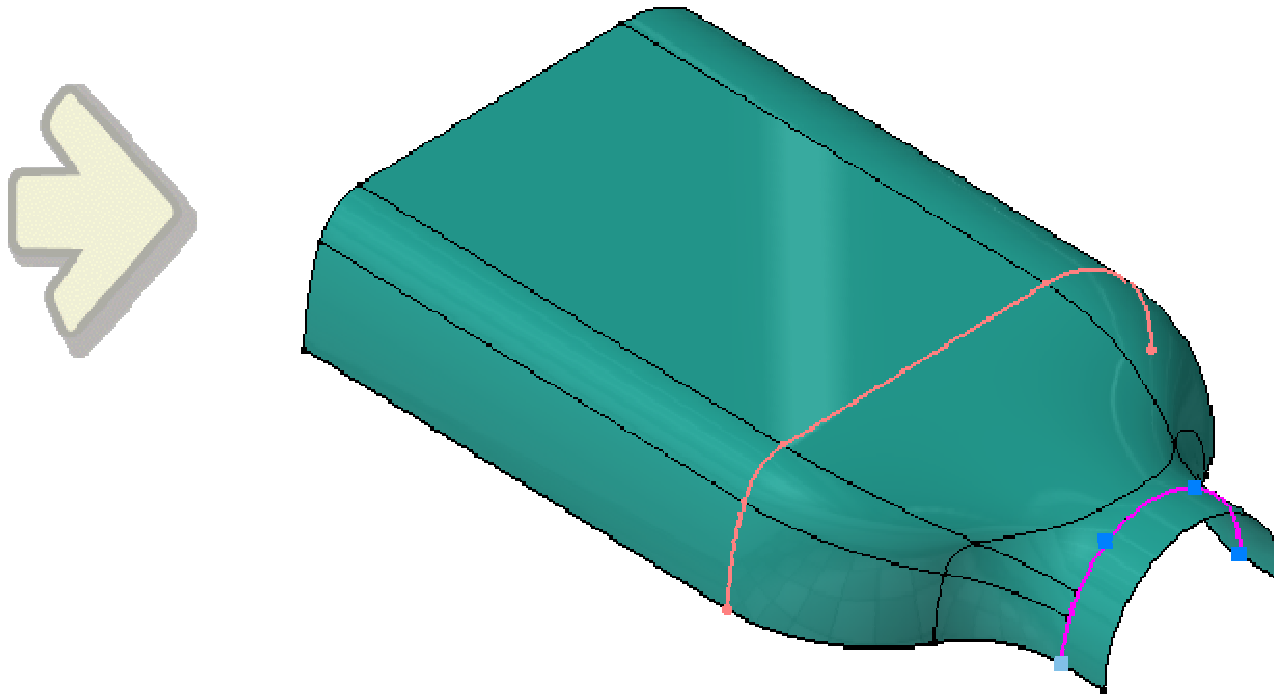
Apply Edge fillet to the two Edges.



End part: CATGSD_F_Knob_End.CATPart

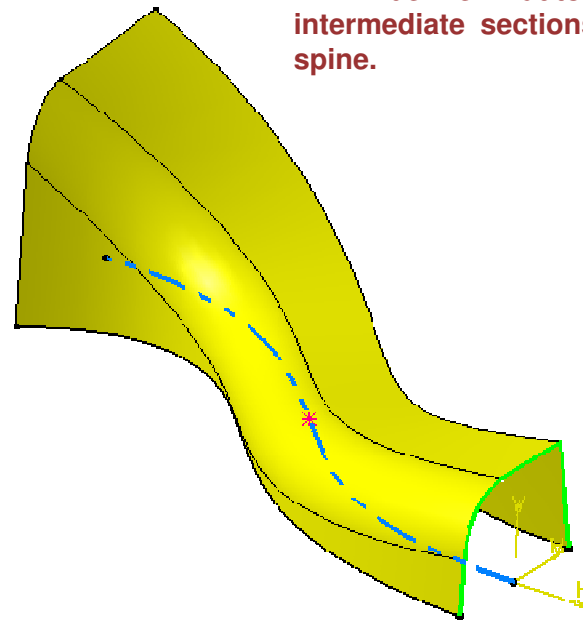
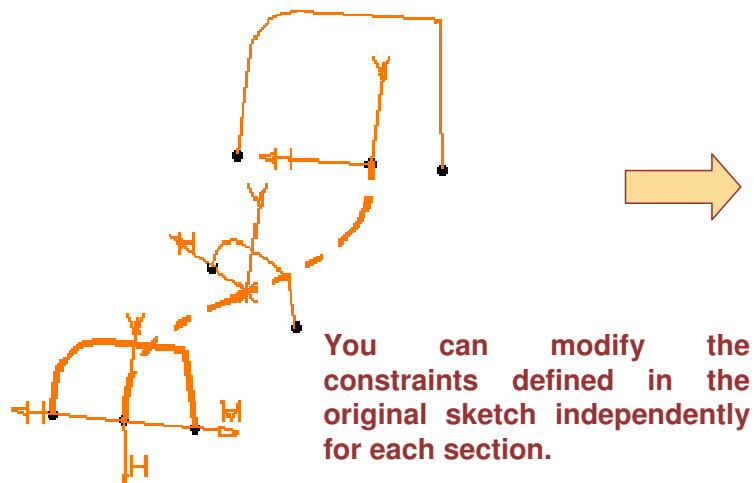
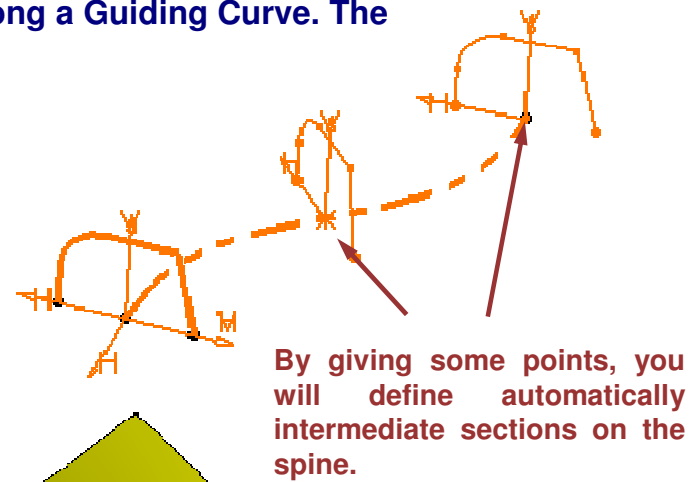
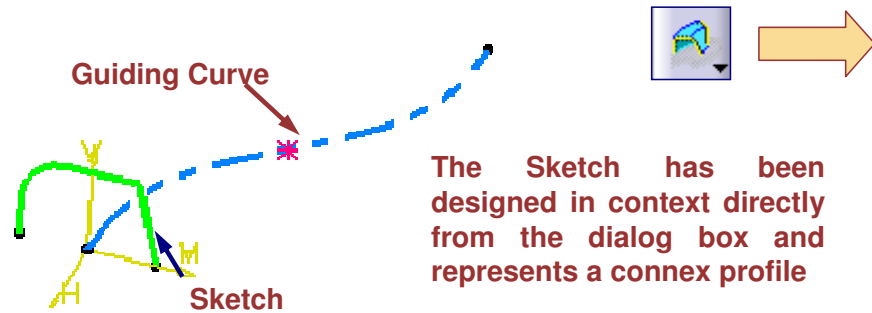
Creating an Adaptive Swept Surface

You will learn about Adaptive Swept Surface and how to create it.



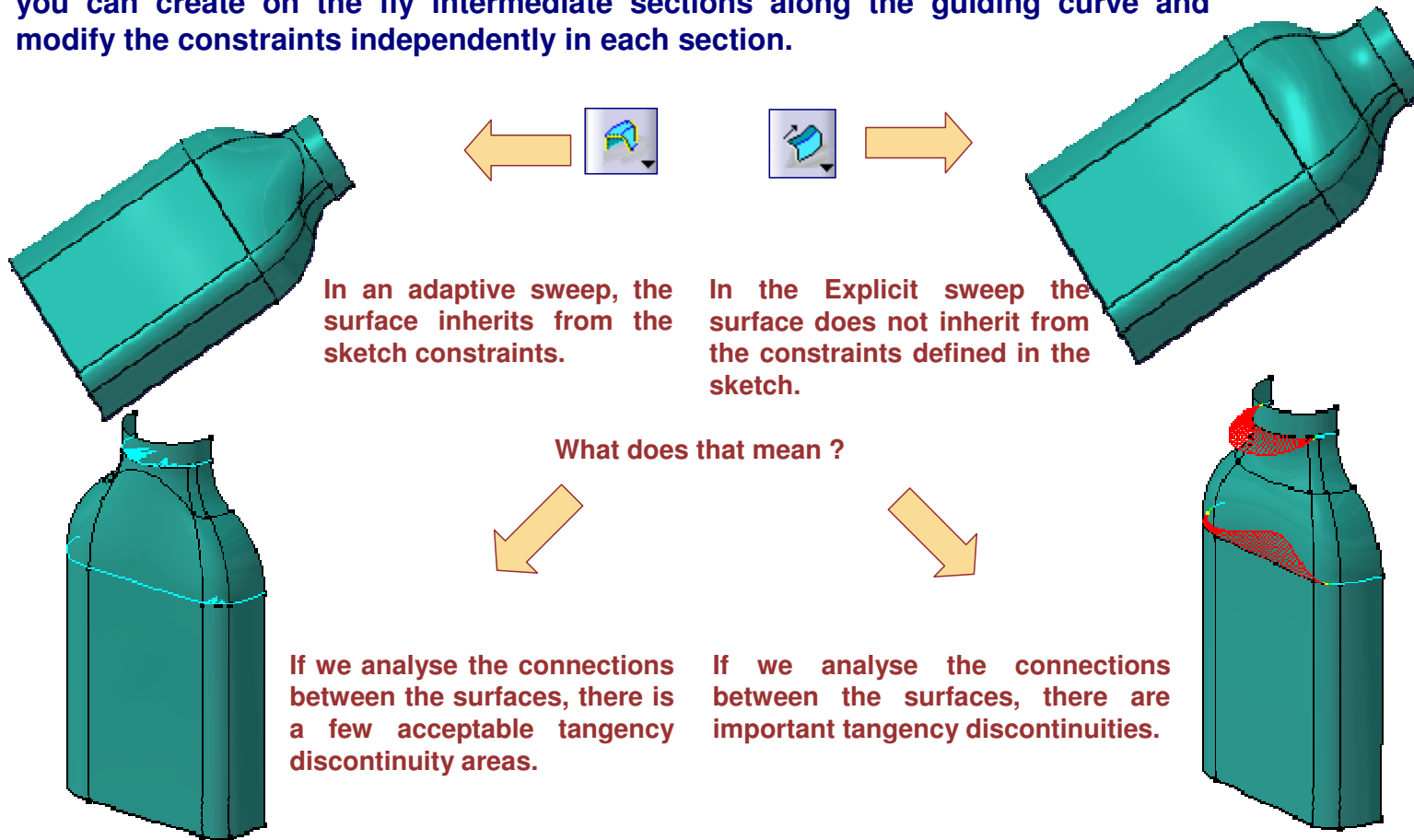
What is an Adaptive Swept Surface.

This particular sweep uses a Sketch as Implicit profile along a Guiding Curve. The guiding curve is used as the default spine.





What are the differences with the other Swept Surfaces?

An Adaptive sweep is always defined from a sketch. This leads to build a surface that inherits from the sketch constraints scheme on the whole surface. Besides you can create on the fly intermediate sections along the guiding curve and modify the constraints independently in each section.

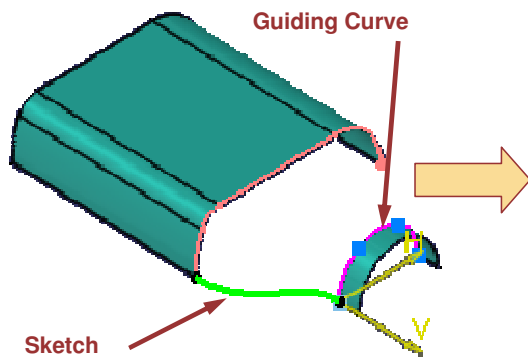


Student Notes:

Creating an Adaptive Swept Surface (1/2)

1  →  Select the Adaptive Sweep icon.

2 Select the Guide Curve and the Sketch to be swept.



Adaptive Sweep Definition

Guiding Curve: Sketch.2
 Spine: Sketch.2
 Reference Surface: Extrude.2
 Sketch: Sketch.3

| Name | Support |
|---------------|-------------------|
| UserSection.1 | Point.5 |
| UserSection.2 | Point.2 |
| UserSection.3 | Point.3 |
| UserSection.4 | Point.4 |
| UserSection.5 | Sketch.2\Vertex.2 |

Current Section: UserSection.5

Deviation: 0.1mm

Angular correction: 0.5deg

Sweep sections preview

OK Cancel Preview

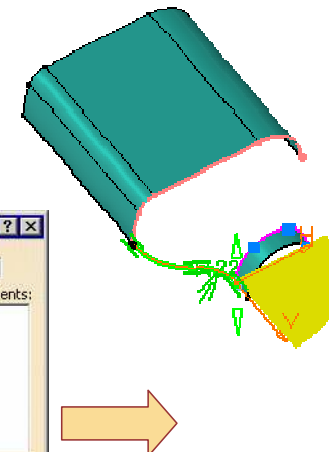
Sketch Creation for A...

Point: [Sketch.2\Vertex

Optional Construction Elements:
 Sketch.2
 Sketch.1

Options
 Positioned Sketch
 Aggregated Sketch

OK Cancel

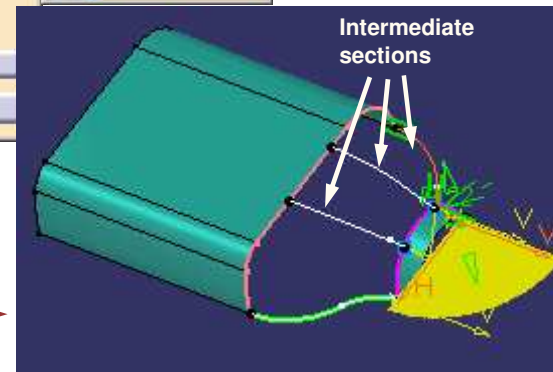


3 Select predefined points or vertices on the guide curve to add intermediate sections.

| Name | Support |
|---------------|-------------------|
| UserSection.1 | Point.5 |
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| UserSection.3 | Point.3 |
| UserSection.4 | Point.4 |
| UserSection.5 | Sketch.2\Vertex.2 |

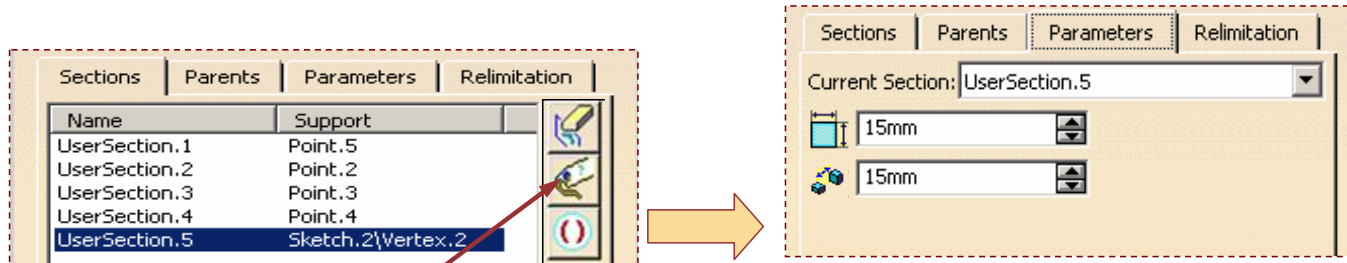
Current Section: UserSection.5

Deviation: 0.1mm



Creating an Adaptive Swept Surface (2/2)

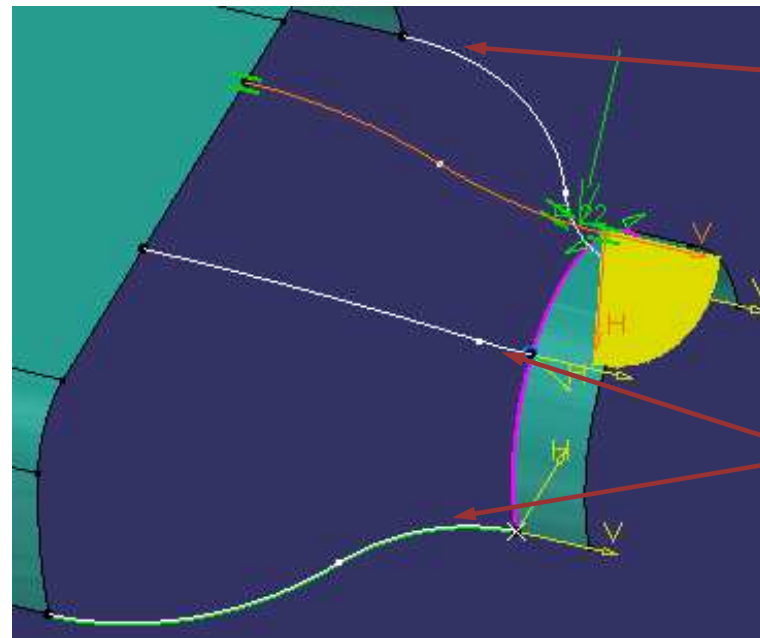
- 4 Under the Parameters tab, you can modify the constraints defined in the original sketch for each section independently



Use this icon to remove a section

75 mm radius

- 5 Click OK to confirm the surface creation



22 mm radius

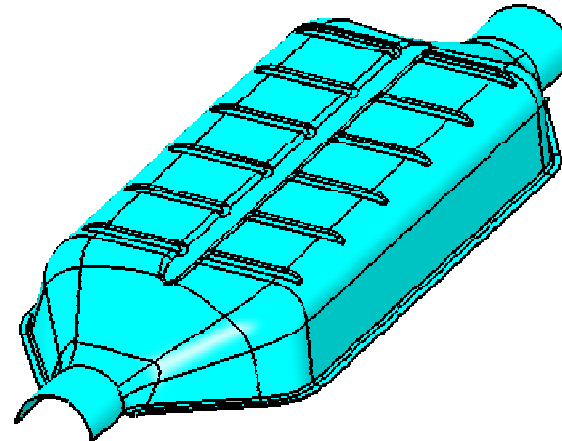
Housing

Recap Exercise: Adaptive Swept Surface



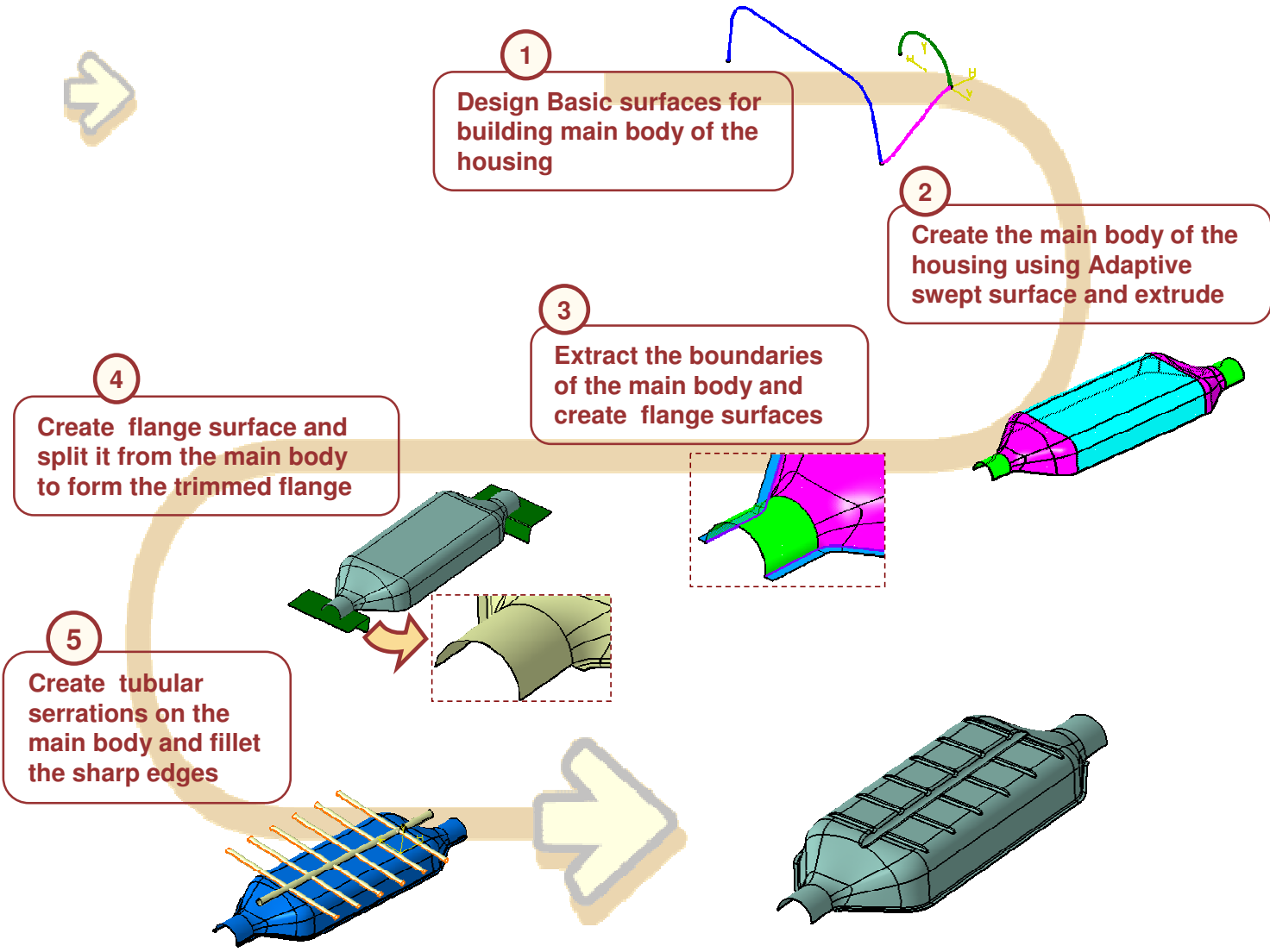
30 min

In this exercise you will Create a part (Housing) in which you will be practicing Adaptive Swept surface.



Student Notes:

Design process: Housing

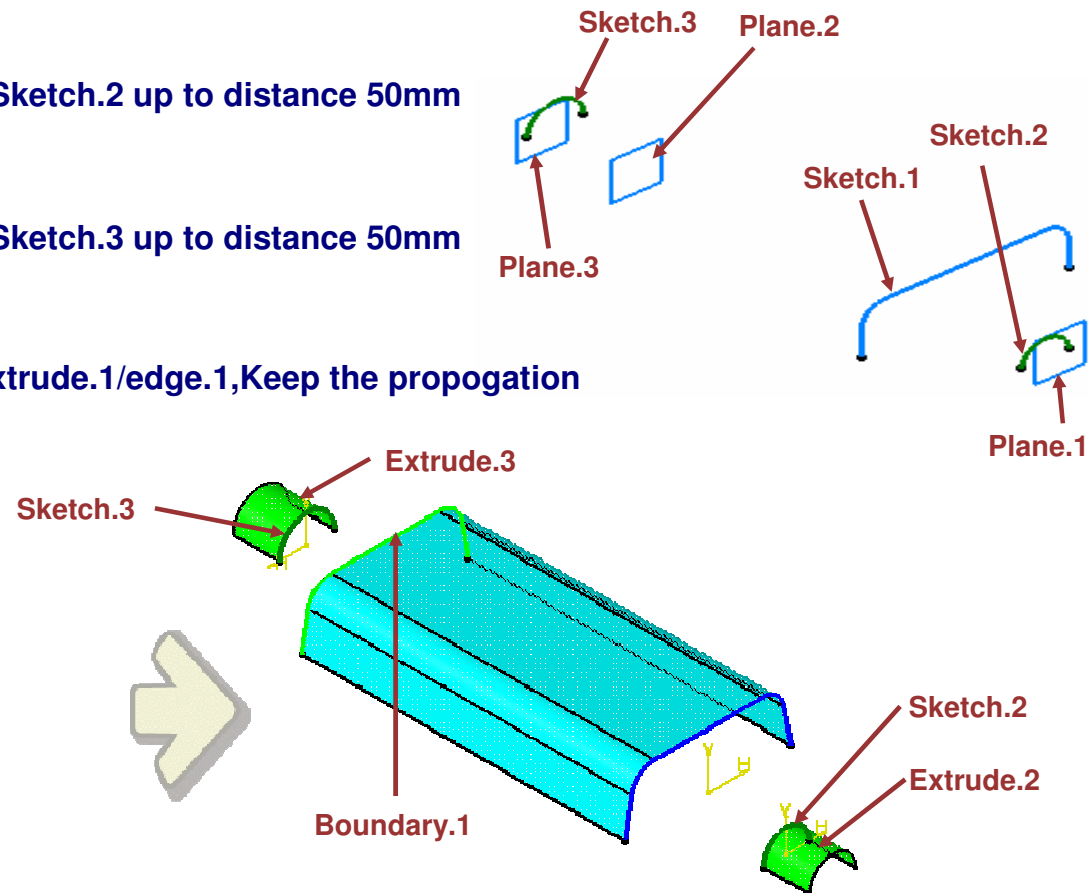


Do It Yourself (1/11)

 Part Used: CATGSD_F_Adaptive_Sweep_Start.CatPart

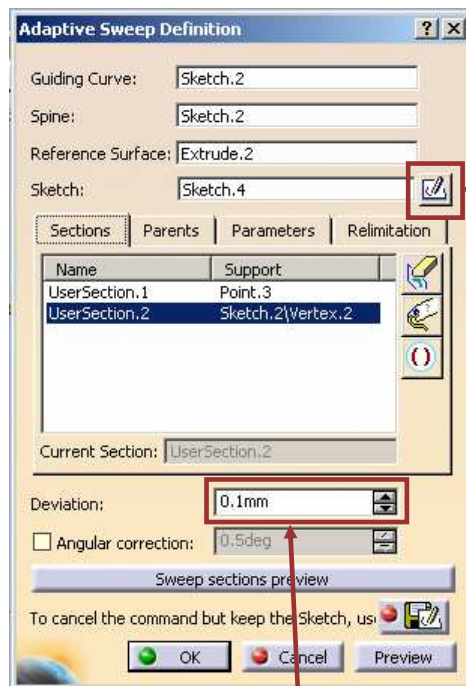
Create the basic surface of the Housing using the given wireframe

- Create an Extrude.1 from Sketch.1 up to Plane .2 in the ZX direction
- Create an Extrude.2 from Sketch.2 up to distance 50mm in the ZX direction
- Create an Extrude.3 from Sketch.3 up to distance 50mm in the ZX direction
- Extract a Boundary.1 of Extrude.1/edge.1,Keep the propagation Tangent Continuity.

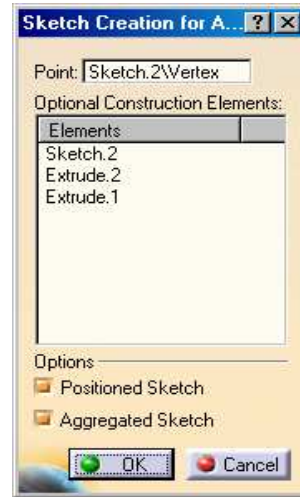


Do It Yourself (2/11)

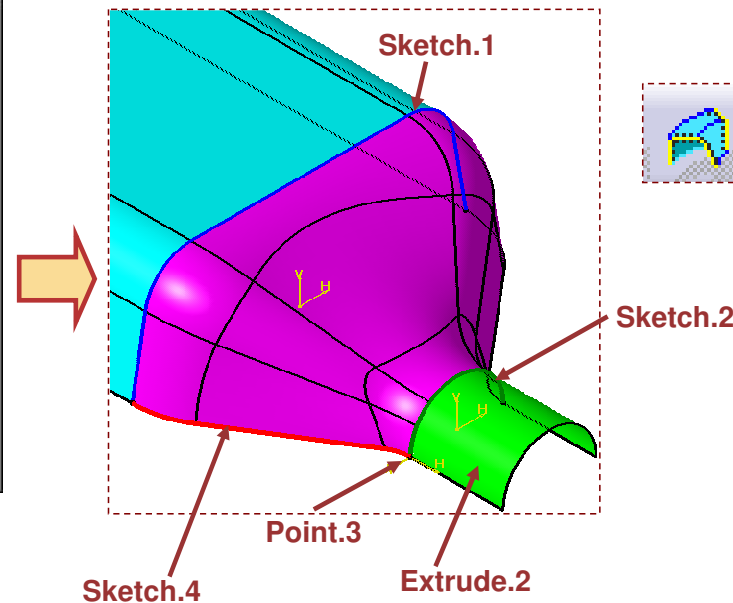
- Create an Adaptive swept surface(Adaptive sweep.1) as per the parameters shown:



Modify the Deviation to 0.01mm

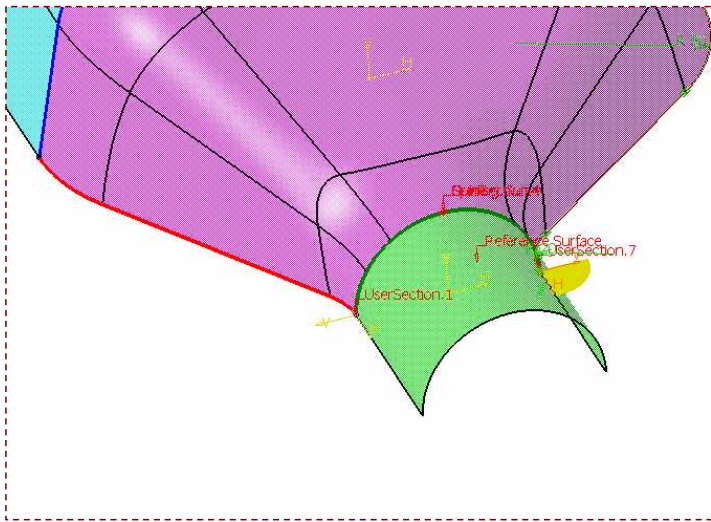


Sketch creation Box

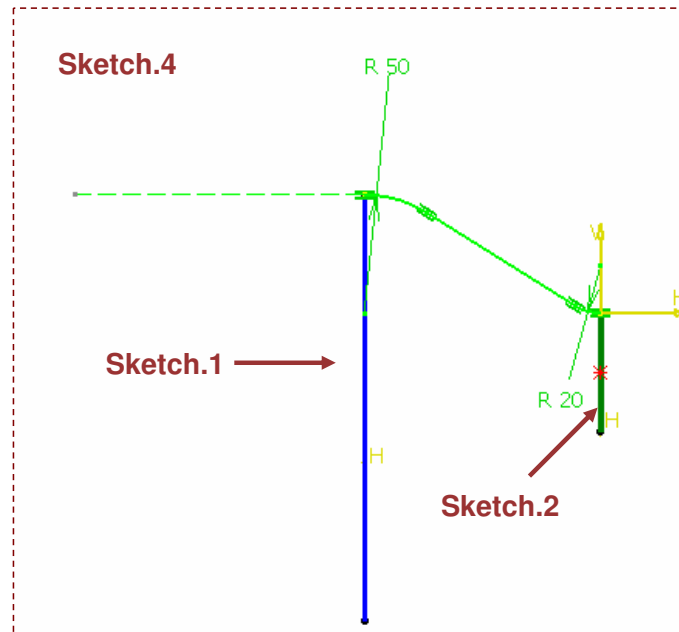


1. Refer to the next slide for detail Sketch and Dimensions.
2. Point.3 is to be created at the extremity of Sketch.2 using contextual menu.

Do It Yourself (3/11)



Create a Sketch.4 as shown below



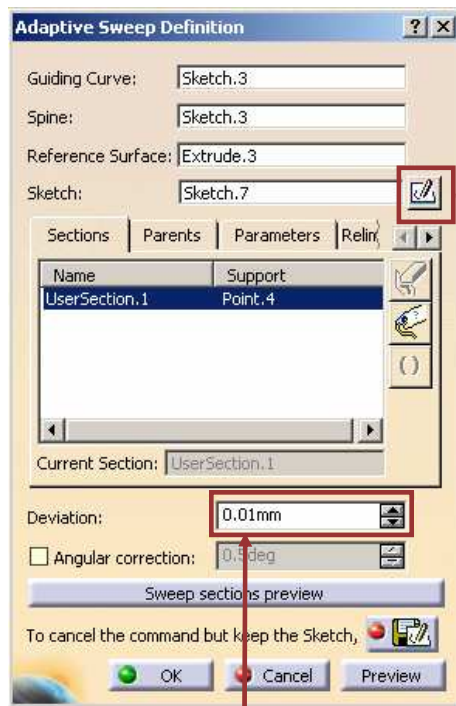
It is recommended that the sketch.4 used for creating Adaptive swept surface is to be created contextually by 'sketch creation box' in Adaptive swept panel



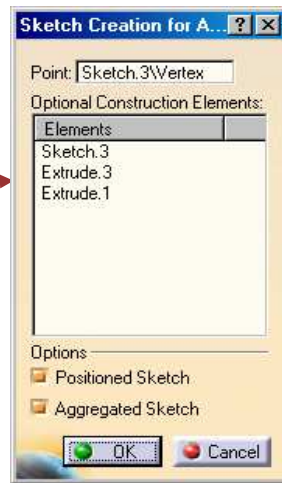
Hide the surfaces and Sketches for convenience while creating the profile in the Sketcher

Do It Yourself (4/11)

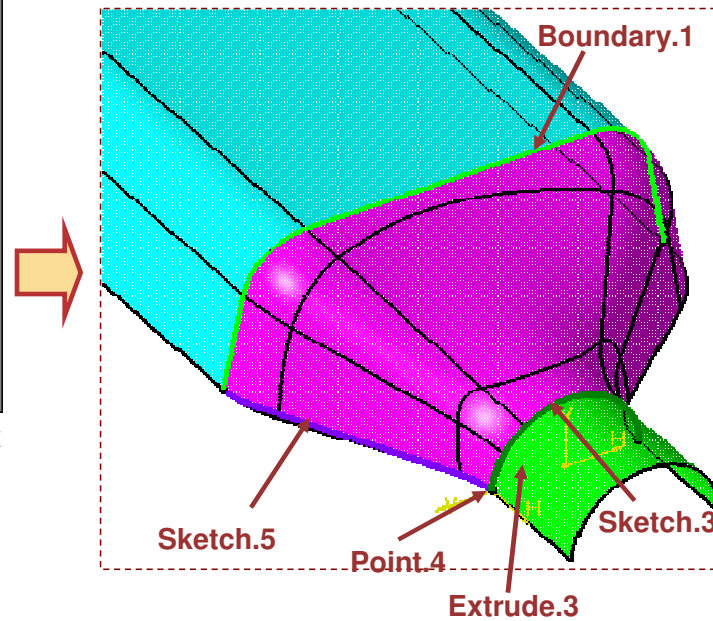
- Create an Adaptive swept surface(Adaptive sweep.2) as per the parameters shown:



Modify the Deviation to 0.01mm



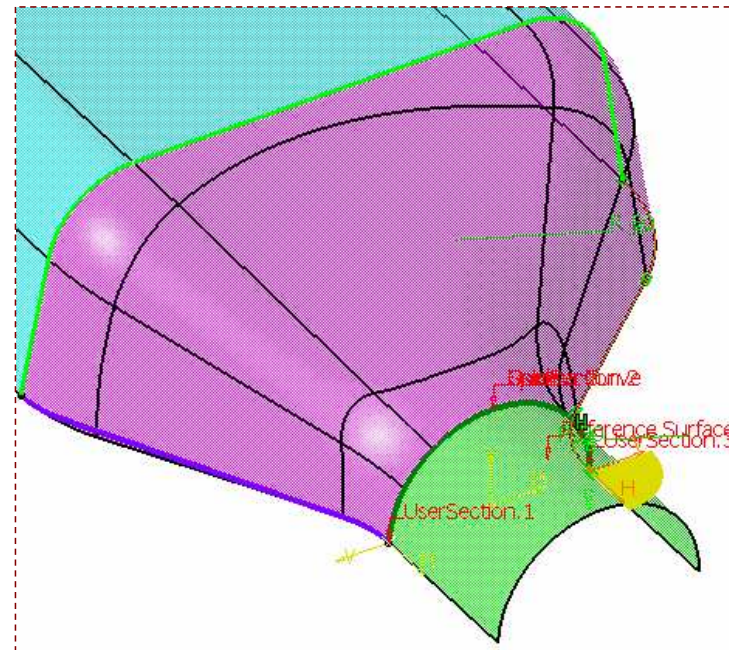
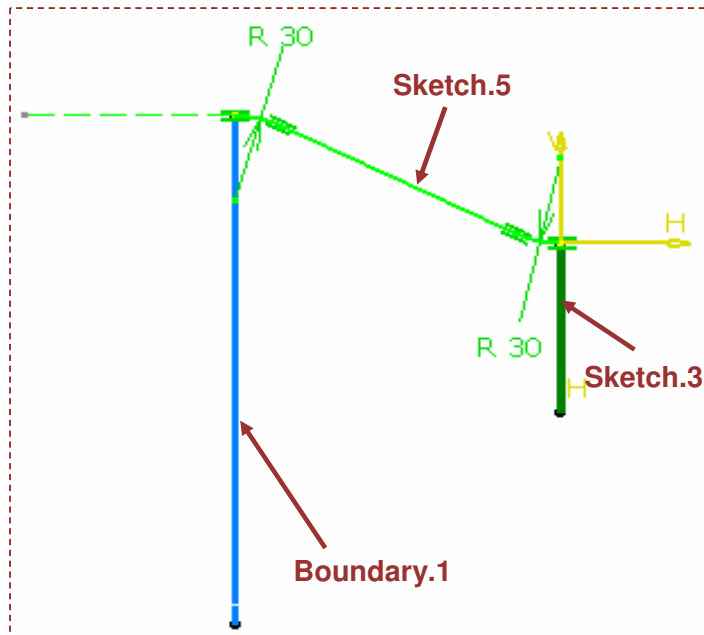
Sketch creation Box



1. Refer to the next slide for detail Sketch and Dimensions.
2. Point.4 is to be created at the extremity of Sketch.3 using contextual menu.

Do It Yourself (5/11)

Create a Sketch.5 as shown below



It is recommended that the sketch.5 used for creating Adaptive swept surface is to be created contextually by 'sketch creation box' in Adaptive swept panel



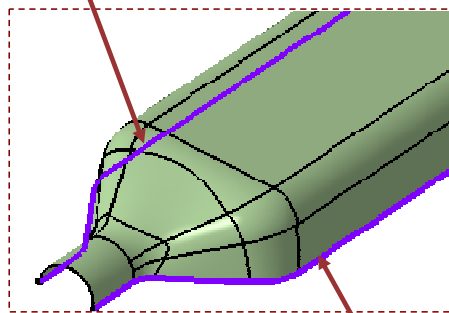
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Do It Yourself (6/11)

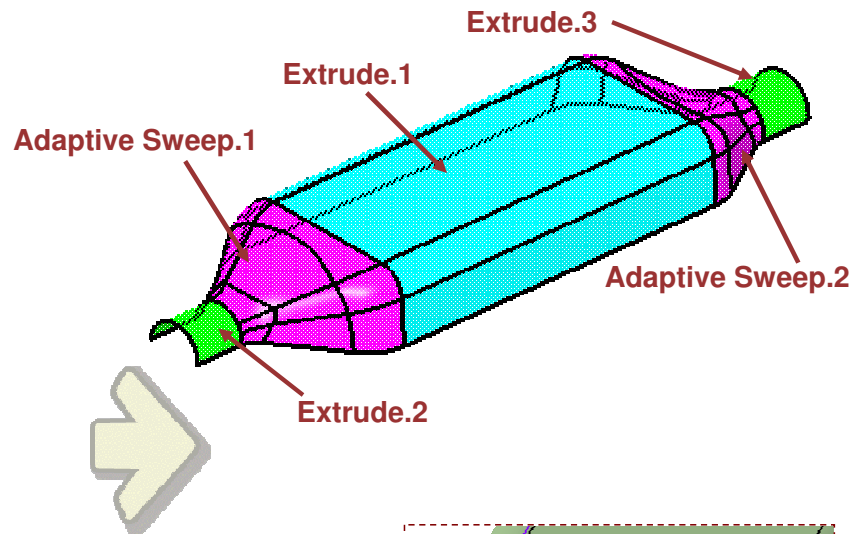
- Create a Join.1 between Extrude.1, Extrude.2, Extrude.3, Adaptive sweep.1 and Adaptive sweep.2

- Extract Boundary.2 and Boundary.3 of join.1

Boundary.2



Boundary.3

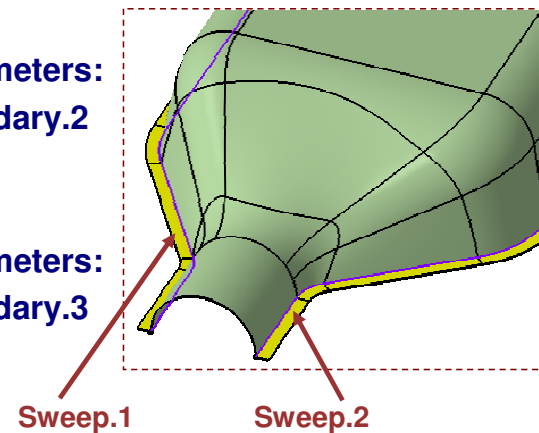


- Create a Line swept surface(Sweep.1) from the following parameters:

- ◆ Sweep subtype:With Draft Direction, Guide Curve 1:Boundary.2
Direction:XY plane, Angle:90deg, Length 1= 6mm

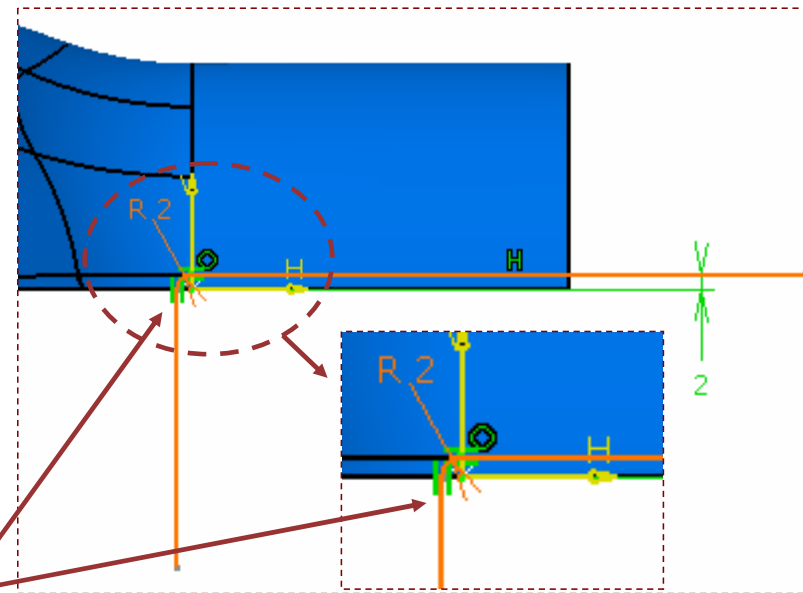
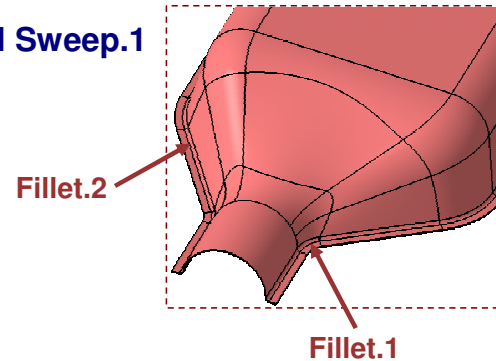
- Create a Line swept surface(Sweep.2) from the following parameters:

- ◆ Sweep subtype:With Draft Direction, Guide Curve 1:Boundary.3
Direction:XY plane, Angle:90deg, Length 1: 6mm



Do It Yourself (7/11)

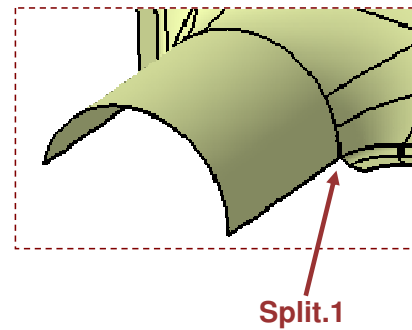
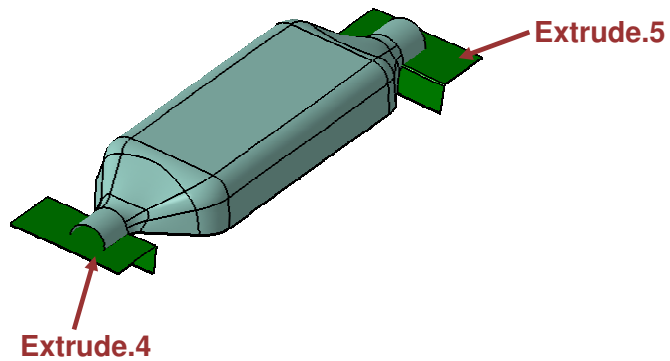
- Create a Bi-tangent fillet (Fillet.1) between Sweep.2 and Join.1
 - ◆ Radius:R 2.0mm
- Create a Bi-tangent fillet (Fillet.2) between Fillet.1 and Sweep.1
 - ◆ Radius:R 2.0mm
- Create a Point.5 and Point.6 as shown:
 - ◆ Point.5: On Plane.3, H=0, V=0
 - ◆ Point.6: On Plane.1, H=0, V=0
- Create a Positioned Sketch.6 on YZ Plane, Projection point:Point.5, orientation: Y axis
- Create a Positioned Sketch.7 on YZ Plane, Projection point:Point.6, orientation: Y axis



Coincide Center of R2
Corner with VH origin

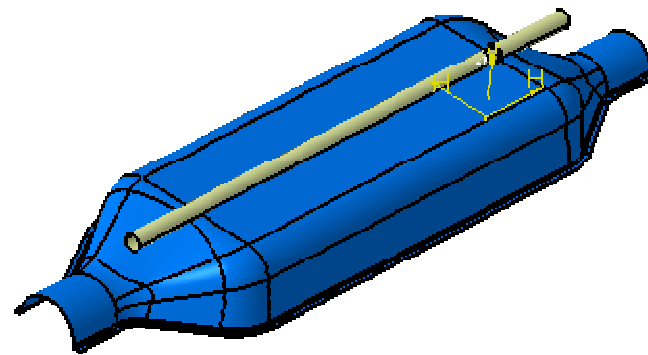
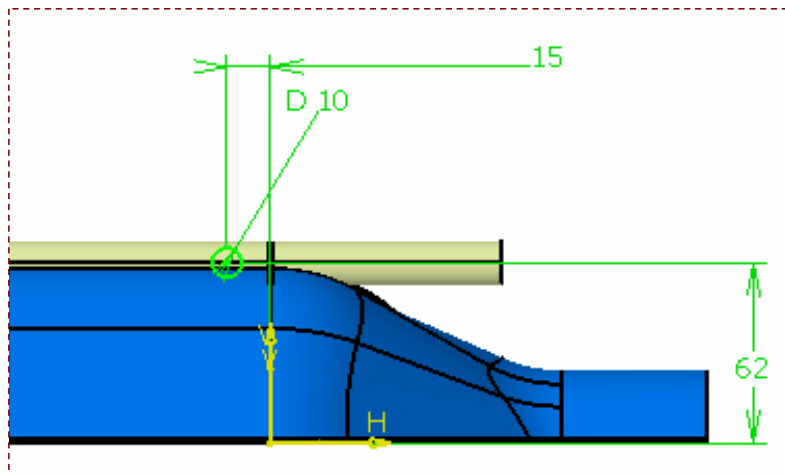
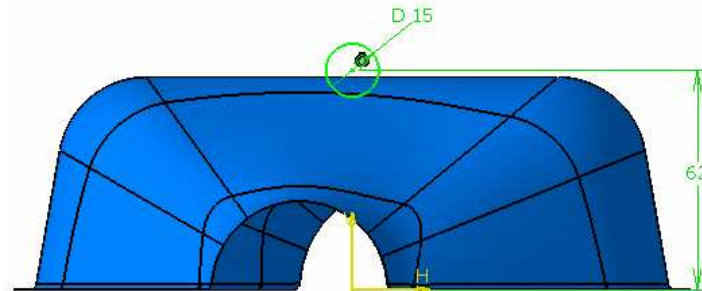
Do It Yourself (8/11)

- Create Extrude.4 and Extrude.5 from Sketch.6 and Sketch.7 respectively
 - ◆ Direction :YZ plane
 - ◆ Distance : 75mm on both side
- Split(Split..1) fillet.2. Specify Extrude.4 and Extrude.5 as cutting elements



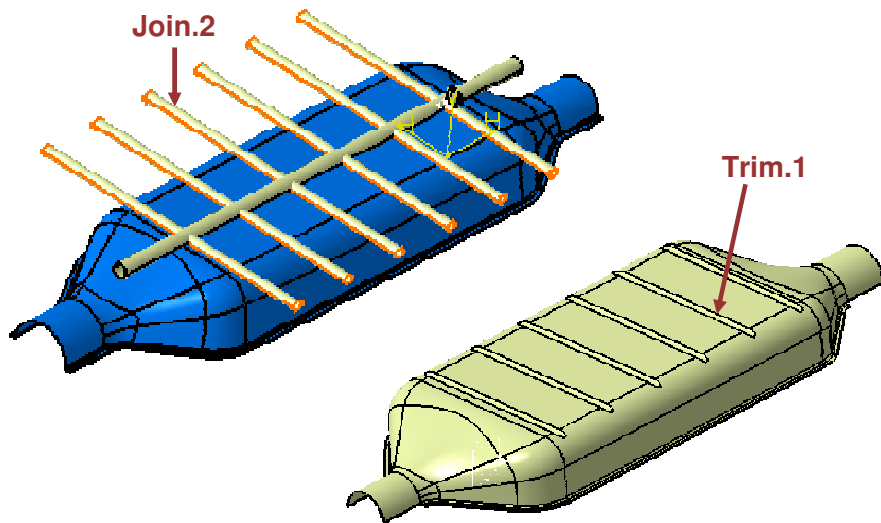
Do It Yourself (9/11)

- Create a Positioned Sketch.8 on ZX Plane, Projection point:Part origin, orientation: Implicit
- Create an Extrude.6 from sketch.8 in the ZX direction
 - Limit 1:80mm
 - Limit 2:425mm
- Create a Positioned Sketch.9 on YZ Plane, Projection point:Part origin, orientation: Implicit



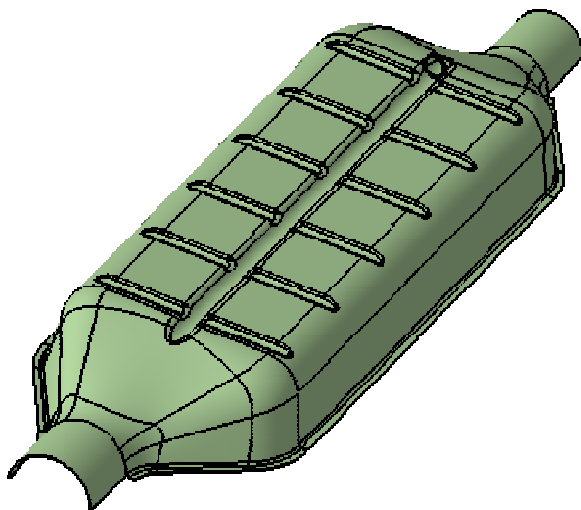
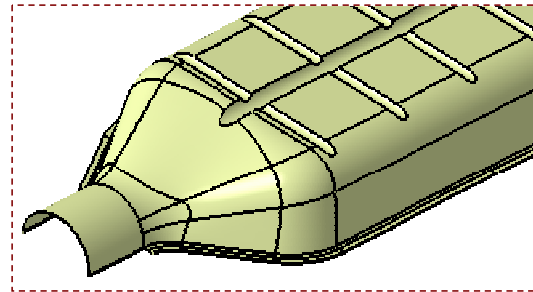
Do It Yourself (10/11)

- Create an Extrude.7 from sketch.9 in the YZ direction
 - Limit 1:120mm
 - Limit 2:120mm
- Rectangular Pattern(Rectpattern.1) Extrude.7 as shown.
- Create a Join.2 between Extrude.7 and Rectpattern.1(Check Connexity box off)
- Trim (Trim.1) Join.2 and Split.1



Do It Yourself (11/11)

- Trim (Trim.2) Trim.1 and Extrude.6
- Apply edge fillet(Edgefillet.1) of radius 5mm to Trim.2/Face.1
- Apply edge fillet(Edgefillet.2) of radius 3mm to Edgefillet.1/Face.2



End Part: CATGSD_F_Adaptive_Sweep_End.CatPart

Creating Advanced Blending Surfaces

This lesson will cover the following Advanced Blend Surface topics:

- About this Lesson
- What is a Blend?
- Types of Blends
- Creating Fillets using Hold Curve and Spine
- Creating Fillets using Law
- Creating a Blend Surface
- Blend Surfaces Recommendations
- Recap Exercise: Advanced Blending Surface

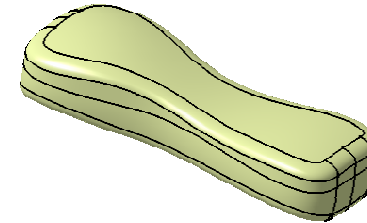
About this Lesson

In this lesson you learn and practice the Advance tools for Blending Surfaces.

Along with knowing how to create Blend surfaces, you will learn about the functionalities that will be used to create the part namely:

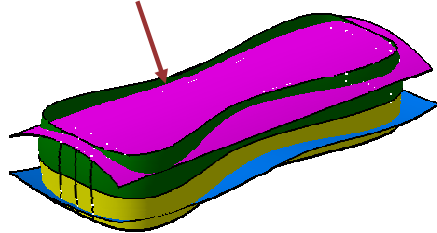
- Fillets using Hold Curve and Spine
- Fillets using Law

At the end of this Lesson, you will create a surfacic part in which Blend surface will be used to create the surfaces.

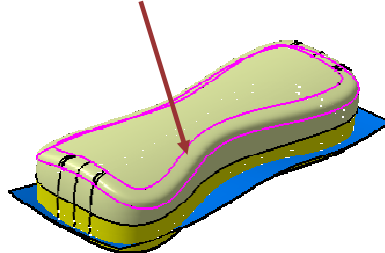


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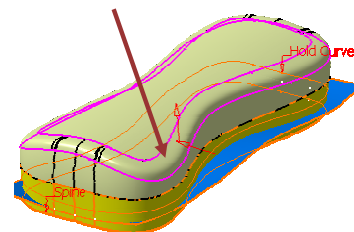
Wireframe Intersections



Blend Surface



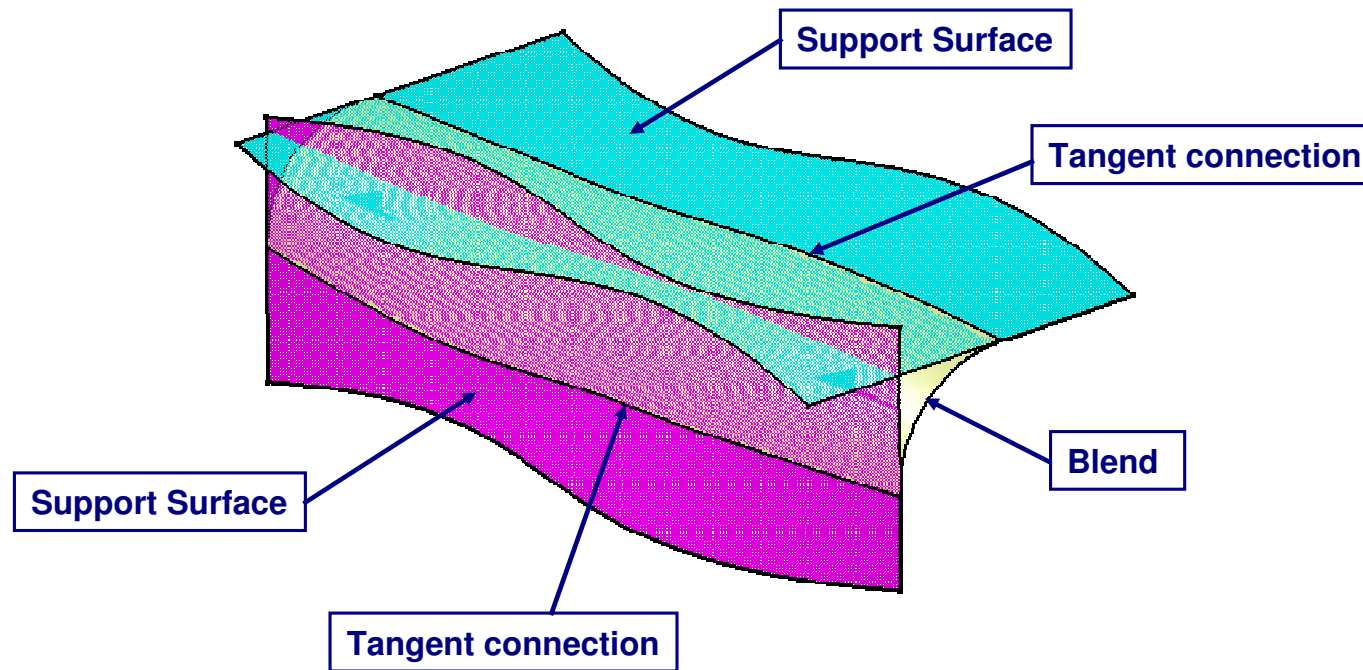
Shape Fillet using Hold curve and Spine



You will also learn a few Blend surface recommendations.

What is a Blend?

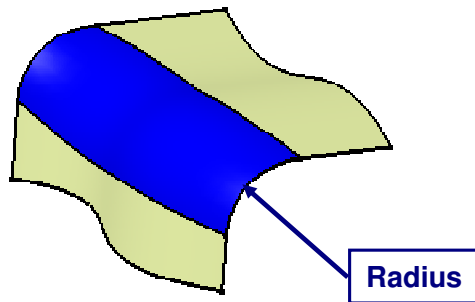
A blend is a surface that is created between two support surfaces that forms a smooth transition between the two. At minimum, the connection at each support is tangent. However, curvature continuity is also sometimes possible.



Types of Blends.

There are several types of blends to choose from. Which one to choose is dependant on the aesthetic and functional requirements of the part (see the Methods and Recommendations section for more details). Several radius blends were covered in the Surface Design course.

Radius Blends



Shape Fillet

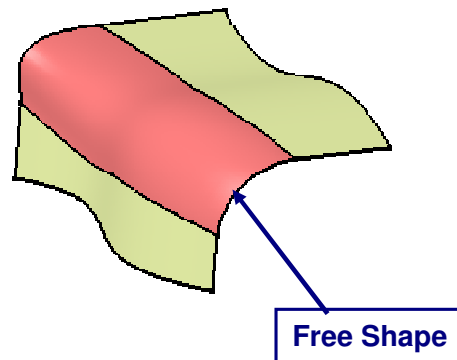
Edge Fillet

Variable Radius Fillet

Face-Face Fillet

Tritangent Fillet

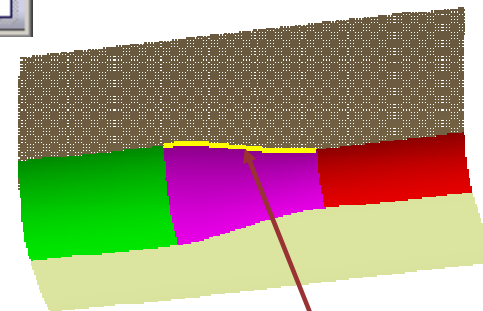
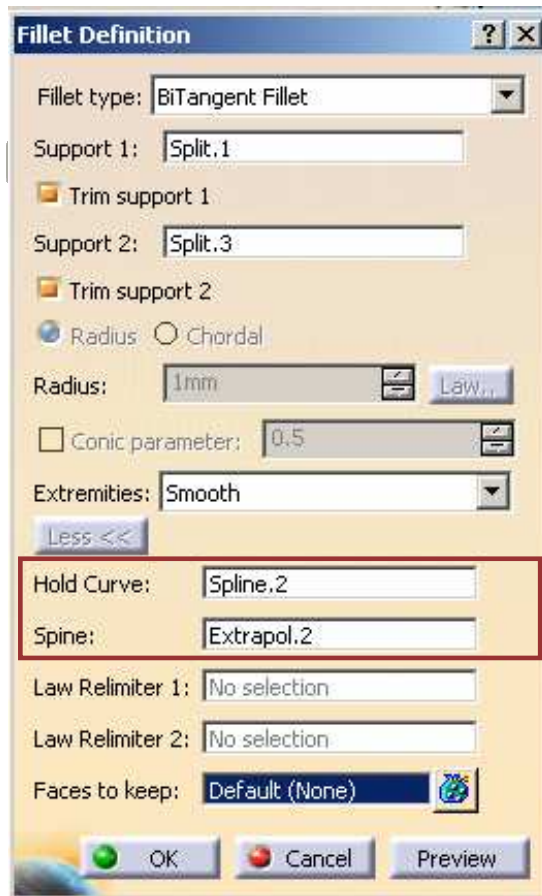
“Blend” Blends



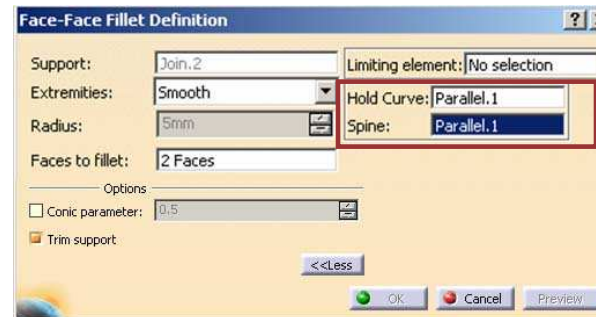
Free Shape

Creating Fillets using Hold Curve and Spine

You will see how to easily make variable radius fillets by following a curve lying on one of the supports



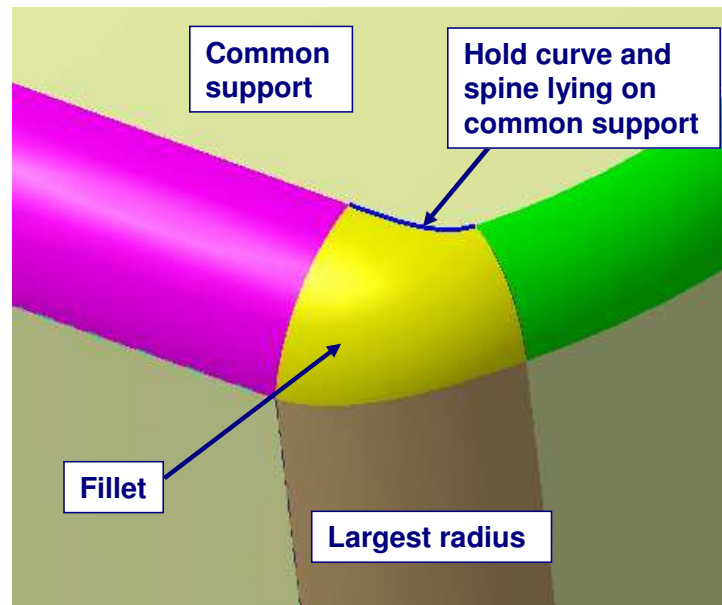
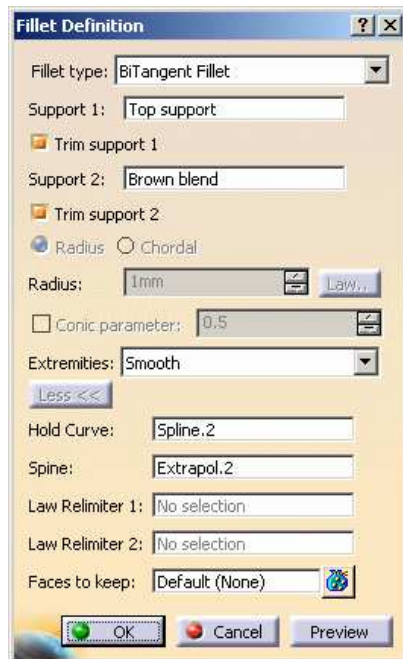
Curve on support



Why create a Fillet with Hold Curve and Spine?

This tool is often useful when creating a complex variable transition blend. For instance, in the example shown here, three fillet radius blend of all different sizes come together in the corner of the part.

The rule of thumb here is to create a variable radius fillet blend between the largest radius and the support surface common to the other two. A curve, tangent to the two upper blend boundaries is created on the top support. Using this curve as the hold curve and spine, the transition variable radius blend is automatically created. You also have the option of using law to achieve this.

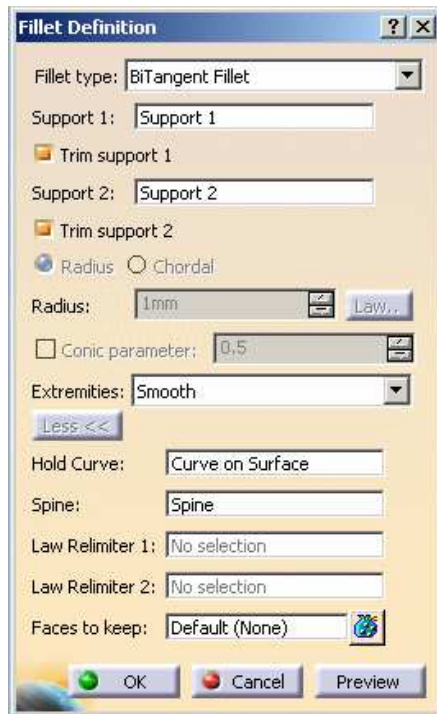


This is much more reliable than using a Fill surface for this example.

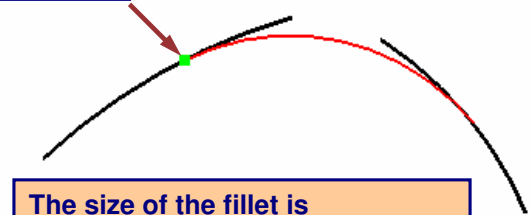
Creating a fillet using Hold Curve and Spine

This tool allows you to create a variable radius fillet between two surfaces where the radius is determined by a curve lying on one of those surfaces.

1



Hold curve



The size of the fillet is determined by the relationship of the curve to the intersection of the two surfaces.

2

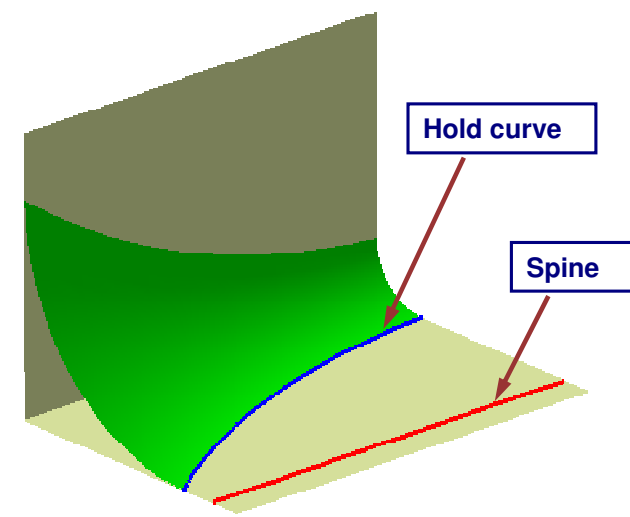
Select the two surfaces

3

Select the hold curve

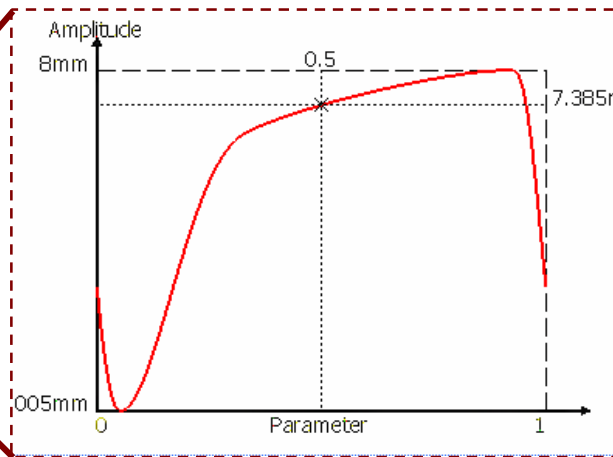
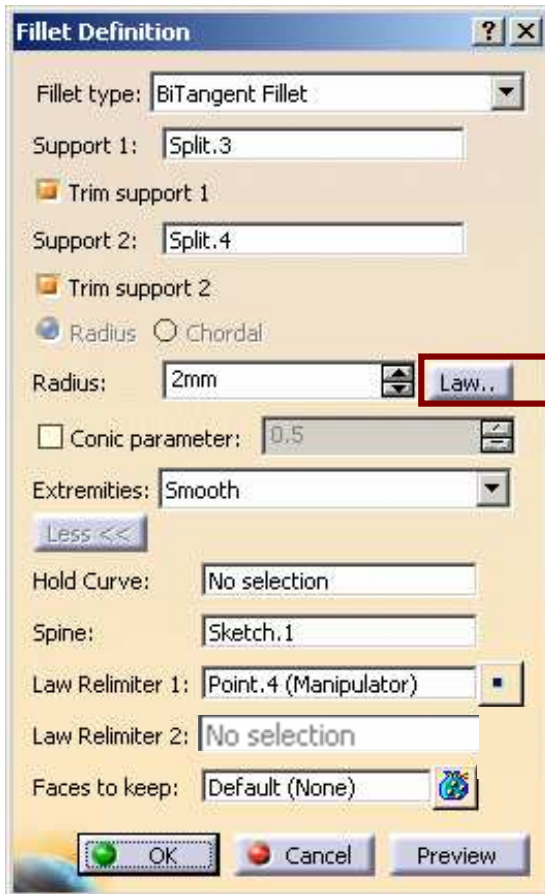
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Select the spine



Creating Fillets using Law

You will now see the method of creating fillets using Law.

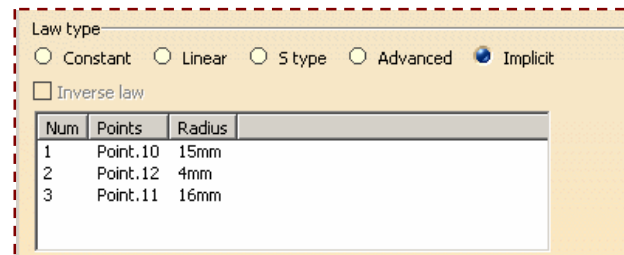
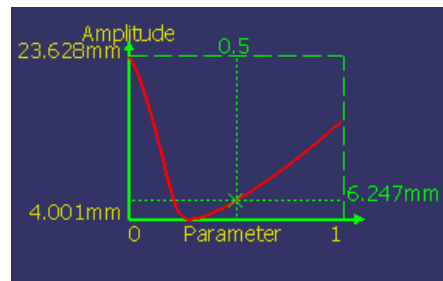
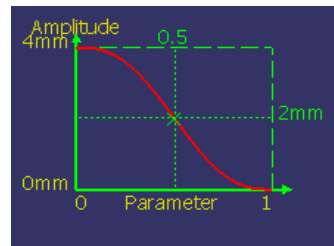
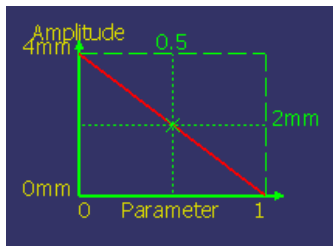
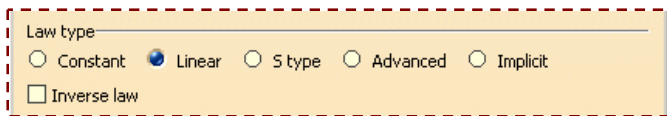


Why do we need Law in Fillets ?

Creating a hold curve is sometimes difficult. By using law , you can define the variation in the fillet radius separately in a knowledgeware law editor and use it at the time of the fillet creation or you can define simple laws at the time of the fillet creation itself.

What about this tool

- You can define various types of laws for the radius.

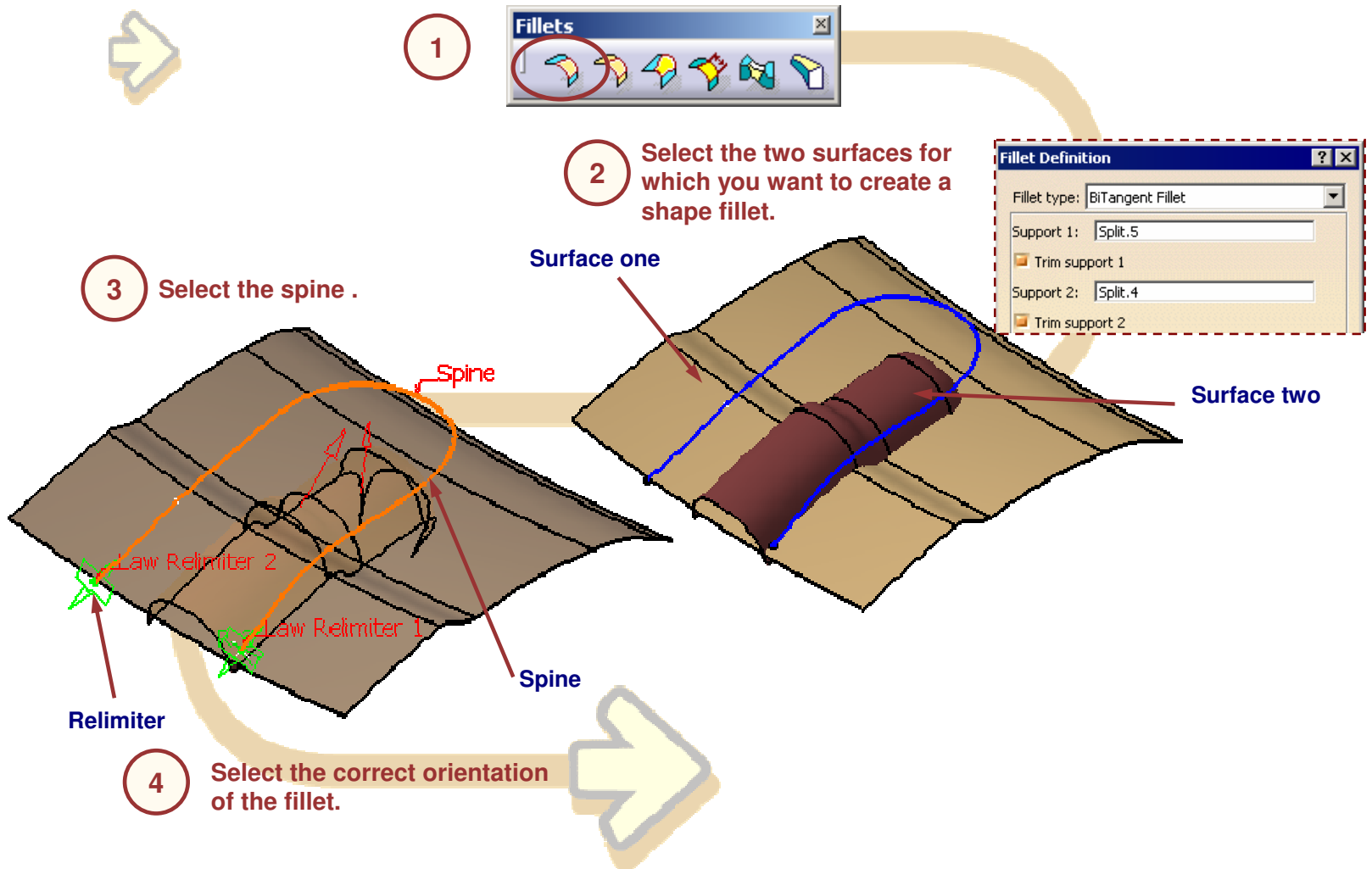


- By selecting advanced law you are able to use a predefined law.
- When a spine is selected the end points of the spine are the default re-limiters for the law. You can modify the position of the re-limiter.



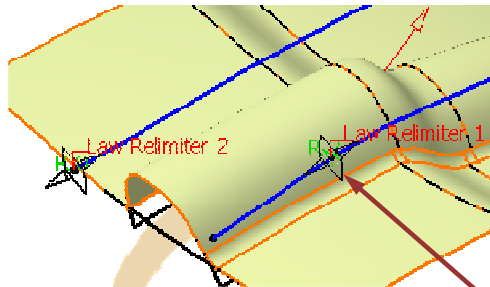
Creating Fillet Using Law (1/2)

Shape fillet allows you to define a variable radius path for the fillet.



Creating Fillet Using Law (2/2)

6 Change the relimiters of the law.
The end points of the spine are initially selected as re-limiters.



Hold Curve: No selection

Spine: Split.6

Law Relimiter 1: Point.8 (Manipulator)

Law Relimiter 2: Point.9 (Manipulator)

Law Re-limiter

7 Confirm OK

5 Select an appropriate Law for the radius value of the fillet.

Fillet Definition

Fillet type: BiTangent Fillet

Support 1: Split.4

Support 2: Split.5

Radius: 2mm **Law..**

Extremities: Minimum

Spine: Sketch.1

Law Definition

Start value: 2mm

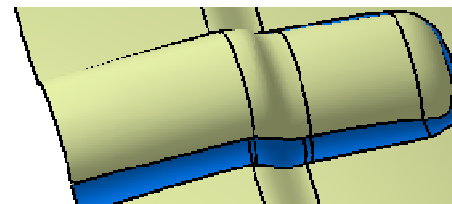
End value: 0mm

Law element: No selection

Law type: Constant Linear S type Advanced Implicit

Inverse law

The fillet will follow the law only up to the law re-limiter, after that the radius remains constant.



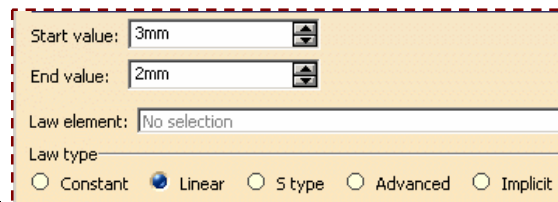
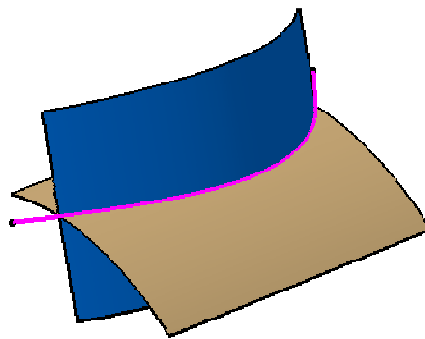
Do It Yourself



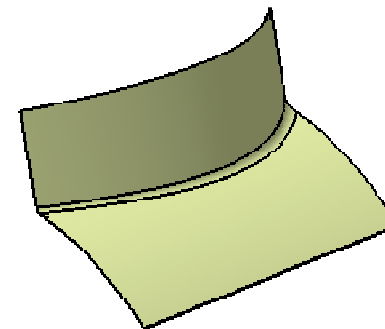
Part used: CATGSD_ShapeFilletWithLaw.CATPart

◆ Create a Shape Fillet between the blue surface (First surface) and the brown surface (second surface) by the following methods.

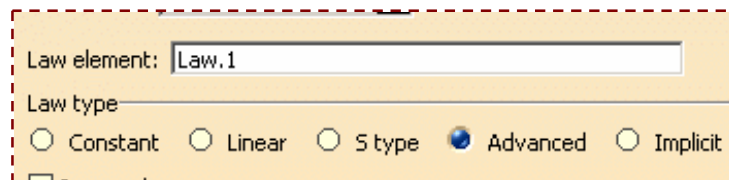
◆ Using a Linear Radius Law

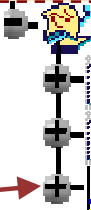


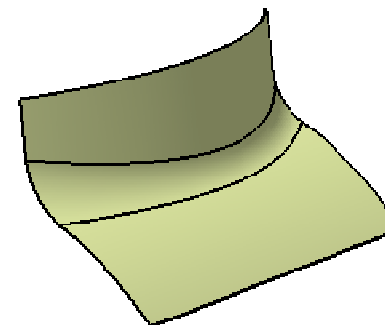
Law : Linear , Start Value = 3 mm
End Value = 2 mm , Select Pink Spine
Extremities : Smooth



◆ Using Advanced Law

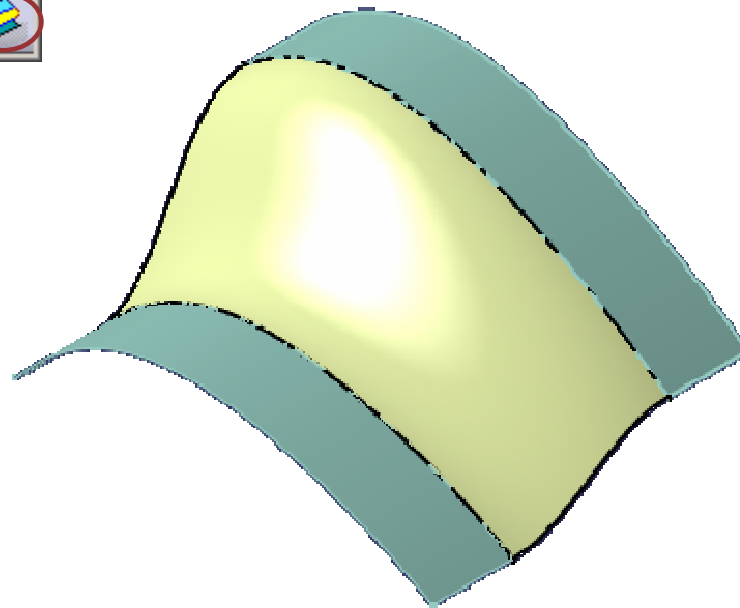


Law : Advanced , Select Law.1
Select Pink Spine
Extremities : Smooth
Use this Law → 



Creating a Blend Surface

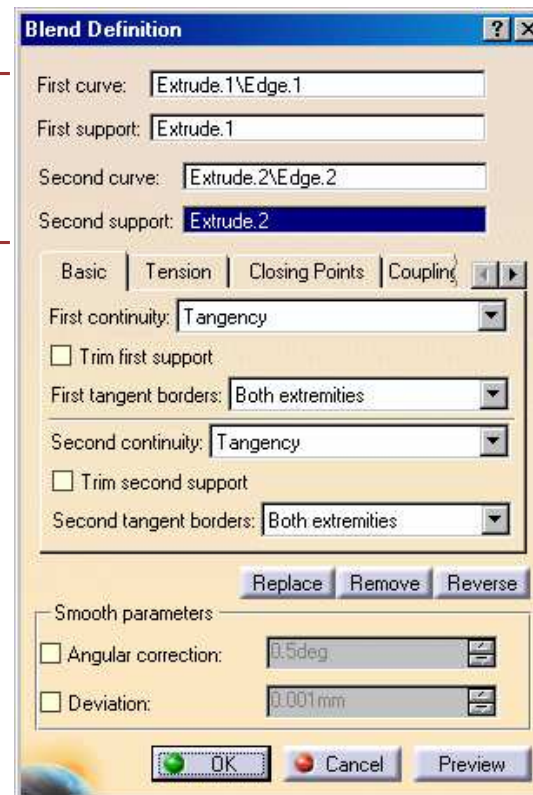
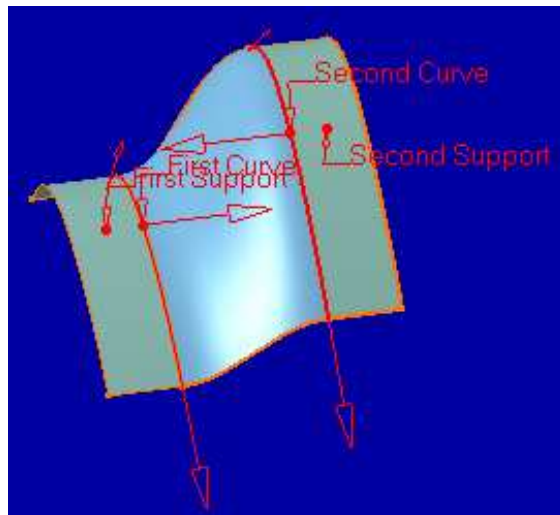
You will learn how to create a Blend Surface



Creating a Blend Surface (1/7)



2 Select the two curves between which you will create the blend surface and, if needed, the support associated with each curve.



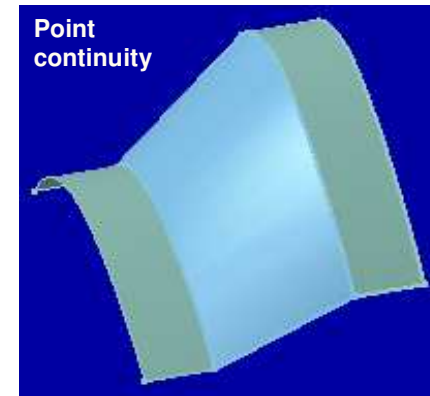
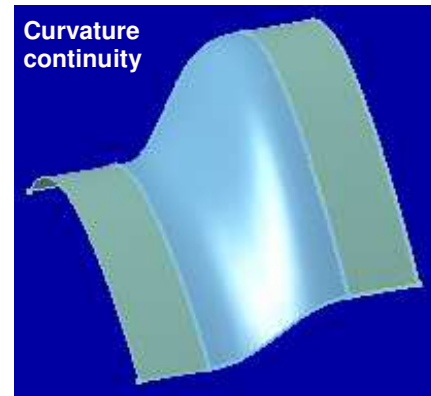
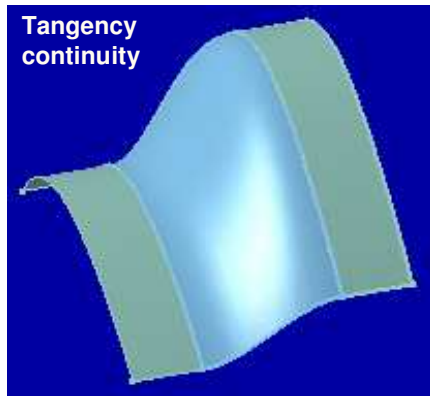
Creating a Blend Surface (2/7)

- 3 If you have selected one or more support surface(s) define the type of continuity (Tangency, Curvature or Point) between each support surface and the blend surface.

You can choose to trim the support to expand the blend surface up to the limits of the support.

| Basic | Tension | Closing Points | Coupling |
|--|------------------|----------------|----------|
| First continuity : | Tangency | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trim first support | Point | | |
| First tangent borders : | Tangency | | |
| | Curvature | | |
| Second continuity : | Tangency | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trim second support | | | |
| Second tangent borders : | Both extremities | | |

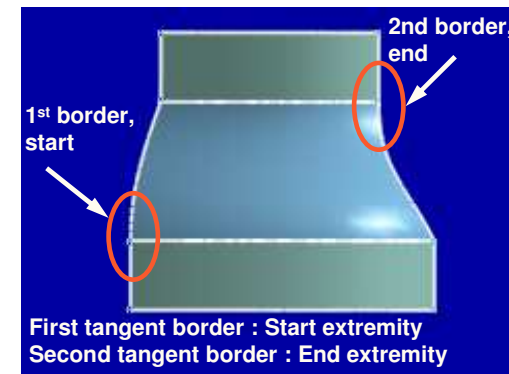
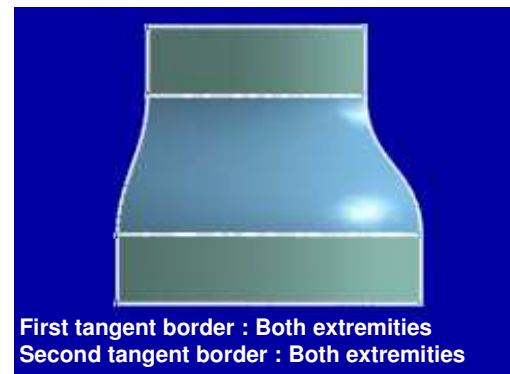
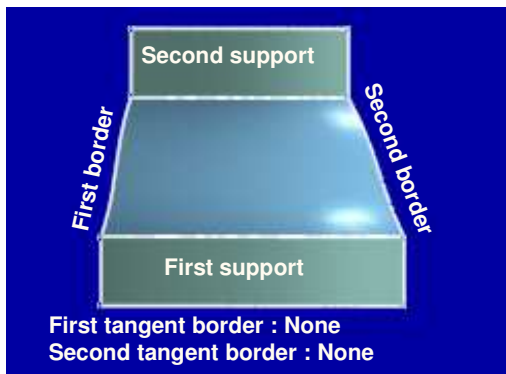
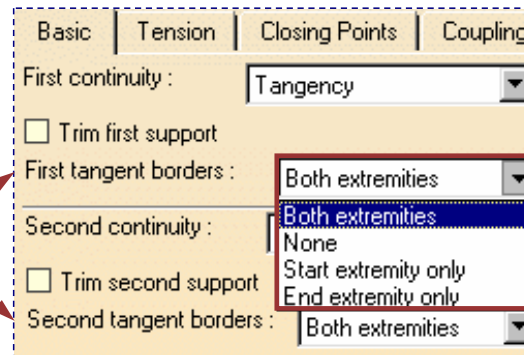
You can use the combo to define a different type of continuity on each side of the blend surface.



Creating a Blend Surface (3/7)

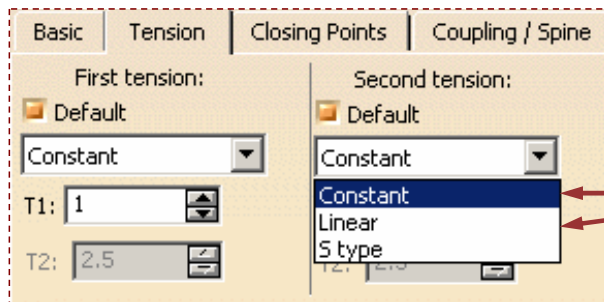
4 If you have selected one or more support surface(s) you can choose to make the borders of the blend surface tangent to the borders of the supports.

For each border of the blend surface you can choose the extremity(ies) that will be tangent to the corresponding border of the support.

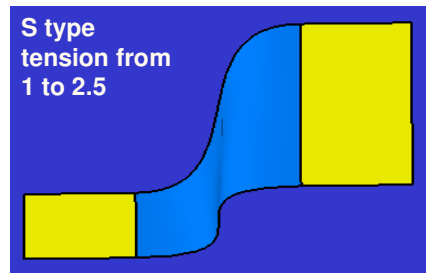
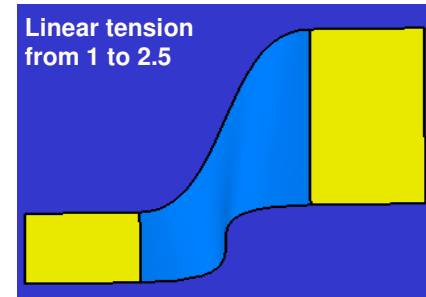
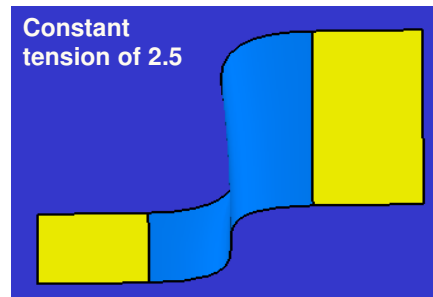
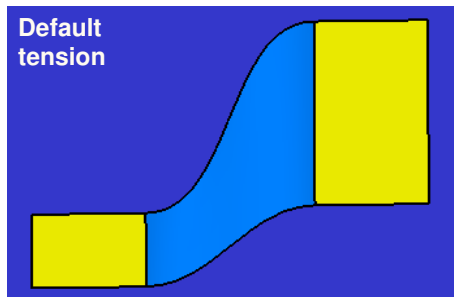


Creating a Blend Surface (4/7)

5 Select the Tension tab to define the tension at the limits of the blend surface.

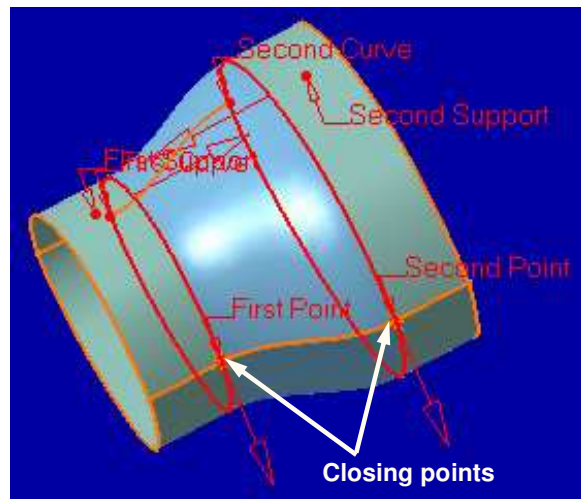


You can keep the default tension or define a constant, linear or S type tension at each limit of the blend surface.

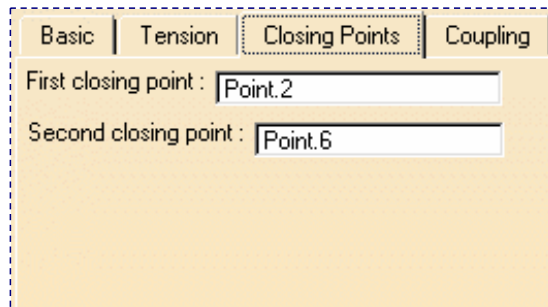
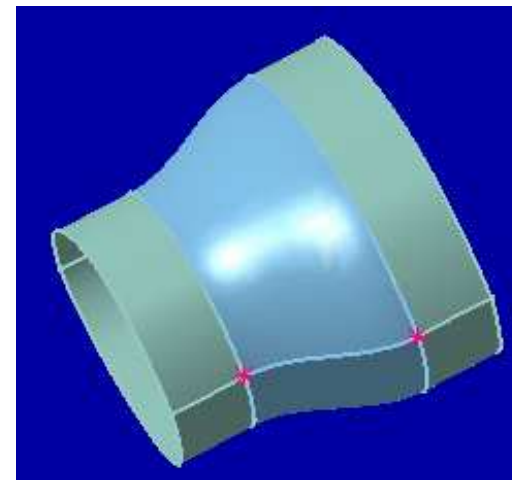


Creating a Blend Surface (5/7)

6 In the case of a closed curve you can select the Closing Points tab and choose the closing point of each curve.



You can define the orientation of the blend surface by clicking on the arrows located on the selected closing points to invert them.



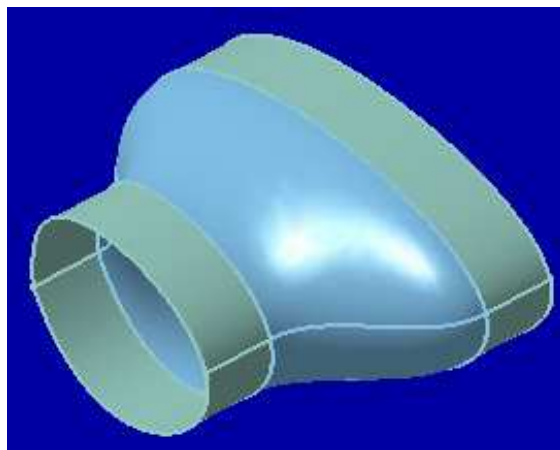
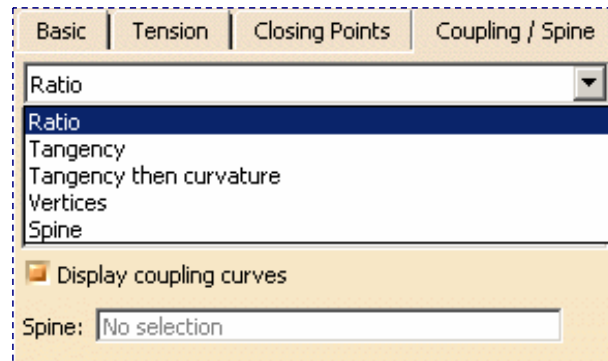
Creating a Blend Surface (6/7)



7a

Select the Coupling tab to define the type of coupling :

- automatic with five options: Ratio, Tangency, Tangency then curvature, Vertices or Spine



According to the chosen options you will compute the blend surface :

- using the total length of the sections (Ratio),
- between the tangency discontinuity points of the curves (Tangency),
- between the tangency discontinuity points of the curves then between the curvature discontinuity points of the curves (Tangency then curvature)
- between the vertices of the curves (Vertices).
- between the spine of the curves (Spine).

Student Notes:

Creating a Blend Surface (7/7)

7b Select the Coupling tab to define the type of coupling :
- manual coupling with definition of the coupling curve(s)

Basic | Tension | Closing Points | Coupling

Ratio

| N | Coupling |
|-----|----------|
| ... | |

Definition
Remove
Add
Add After

Display coupling cur

Coupling : Coupling1 ? x

| Section... | Coupling Point |
|------------|--------------------|
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| 2 | Extrude.3\Vertex.2 |

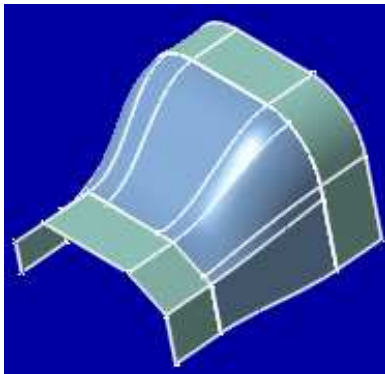
OK

You can define several coupling curves.

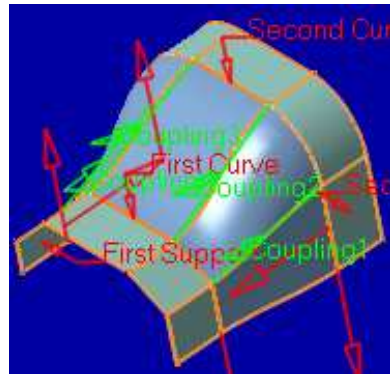
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| 4 | Coupling4 |

Display coupling curves

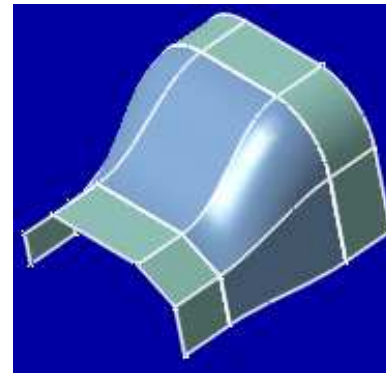
Automatic coupling



Coupling curves



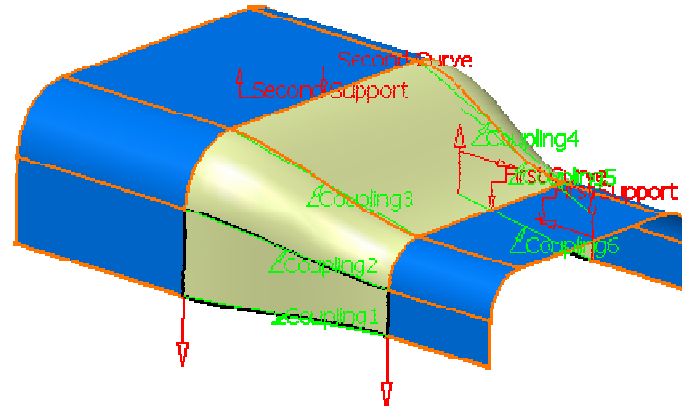
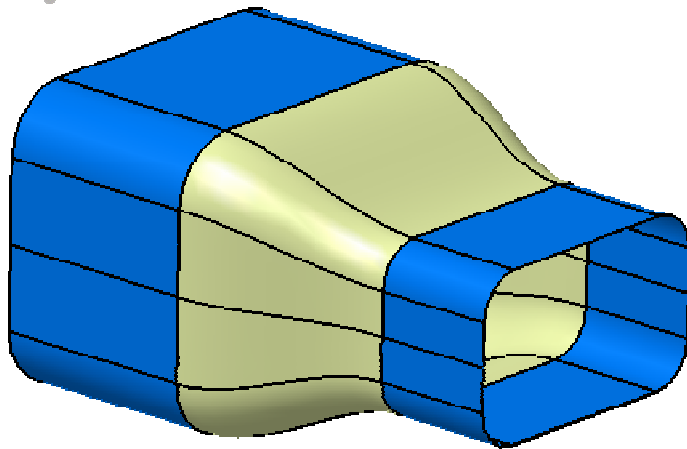
Manual coupling



8 Click OK to confirm blend surface creation.

Blend Surfaces – Recommendations

You will learn about specific methods and recommendations concerning Advanced Blend Surfaces.



Student Notes:

How to choose the type of blend to use?

The type of blend to choose is dependant on the functional and aesthetic requirements of the part being designed.

| Blend Type | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Fillet | Simple to create | Cannot impose curvature continuity |
| Blend | Can impose curvature continuity | Very complex shape; can create unwanted features; must analyze |

Student Notes:

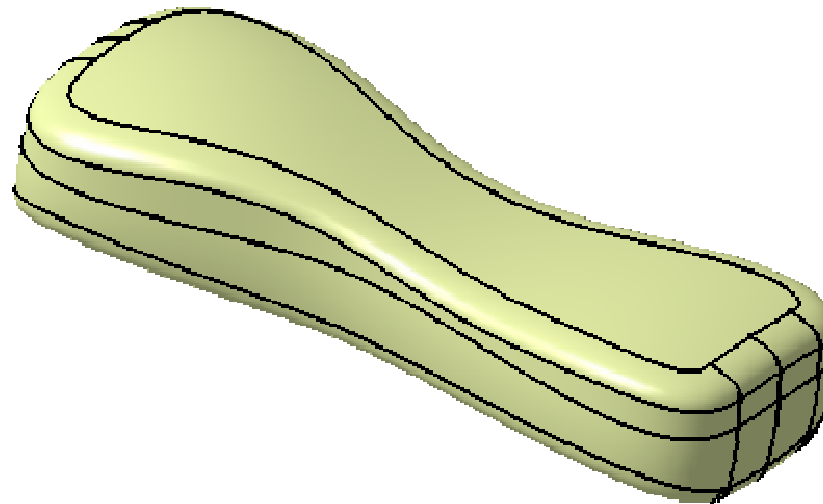
Advanced Blending Surface

Recap Exercise



15 min

- Create the blend boundaries (upper and lower)
- Create the top blend using a Blend Surface
- Create the Shape fillet using Hold Curve and Spine at the bottom



Do It Yourself (1/3)

 Part used: CATGSD_F_Advanced_Sweep_Surface_Recap_begin.CATPart

Create the blend boundaries on the top and bottom of the part.

 Create an Intersect. 

- ◆ Select the Pink and Green Surfaces.
- ◆ Select OK. The Intersection curve is created.

 Create an Intersect. 

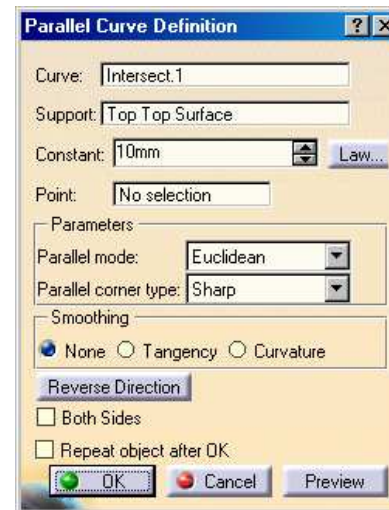
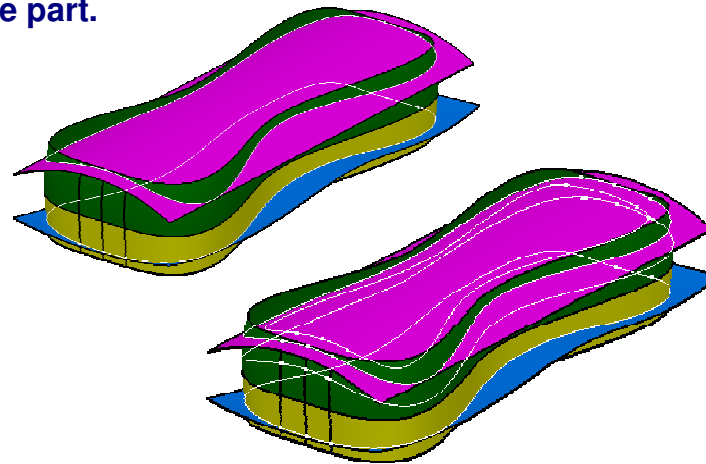
- ◆ Select the Yellow and Blue Surfaces.
- ◆ Select OK. The Intersection curve is created.

 Create a Parallel Curve. 


- ◆ Select the Intersection curve created on the top of the part.
- ◆ Specify the pink surface as the support.
- ◆ Specify an offset of 10mm towards inside of the part.
- ◆ Select OK. The curve is created.

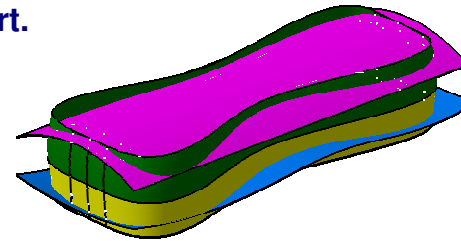
 Create a Parallel Curve. 


- ◆ Select the Intersection curve created on the bottom of the part.
- ◆ Specify the green surface as the support.
- ◆ Specify an offset of 5mm downward.
- ◆ Select OK. The curve is created.

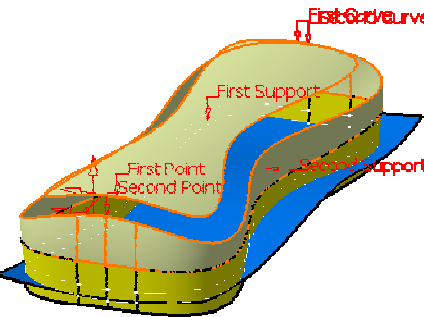



Do It Yourself (2/3)

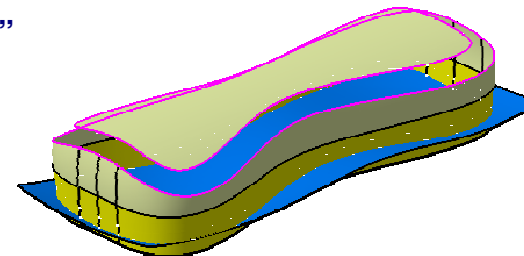
- ◆ Create a Parallel Curve. 
 - ◆ Select the Intersection curve created on the Bottom of the part.
 - ◆ Specify the Yellow surface as the support.
 - ◆ Specify an offset of 5mm towards upwards.
 - ◆ Select OK. The curve is created.




- ◆ Create a Split. 
 - ◆ Specify the pink surface as the “Element to cut.”
 - ◆ Specify the parallel curve lying on it as the “Cutting element.”
 - ◆ Make sure the proper side is retained.
 - ◆ Select OK. The surface is created.




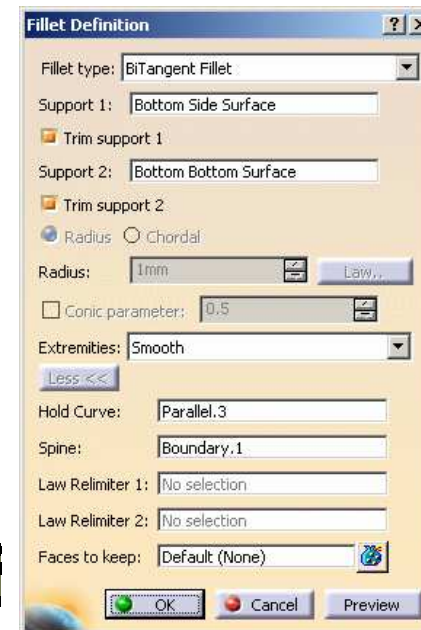
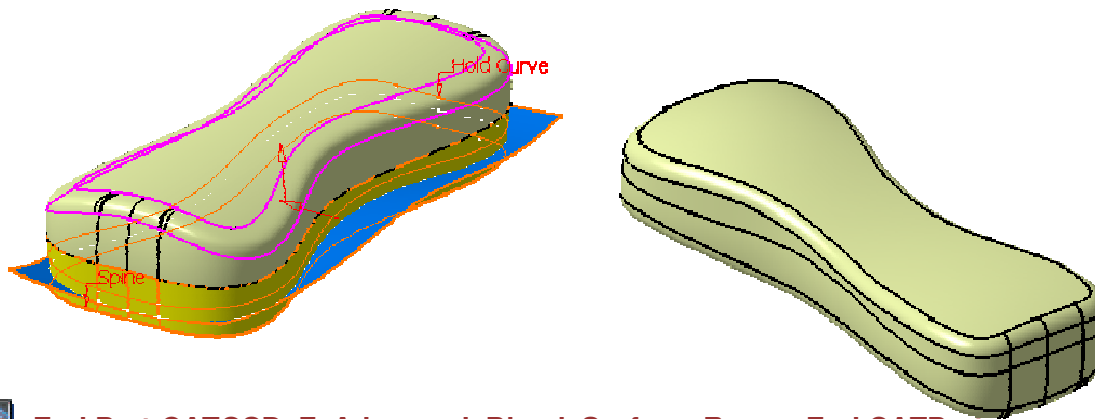
- ◆ Create a Split. 
 - ◆ Specify the Green surface as the “Element to cut.”
 - ◆ Specify the parallel curve lying on it as the “Cutting element.”
 - ◆ Make sure the proper side is retained.
 - ◆ Select OK. The surface is created.



Do It Yourself (3/3)

- ◆ Create a BLEND on the top of the part. 
 - ◆ Specify the “Curves” and “Supports” as shown.
 - ◆ Specify Curvature continuity at each boundary.
 - ◆ Specify a Tension of a constant 1.0 at each boundary.
 - ◆ Select OK. The surface is created.

- ◆ Create a Bi-Tangent Fillet with Hold Curve and Spine at the bottom of the part. 
 - ◆ Extract the bottom Boundary of Yellow surface as shown.
 - ◆ Click on the Shape Fillet icon
 - ◆ Specify the parameters as shown.
 - ◆ Select OK. The surface is created.



End Part:CATGSD_F_Advanced_Blend_Surface_Recap_End.CATPart

Surface Analysis

This lesson will cover the following Surface Analysis and Repair topics:

- ▣ About this Lesson
- ▣ Curvature Analysis
- ▣ Surface Analysis -Recommendations
- ▣ Recap Exercise: Surface Analysis

About this Lesson

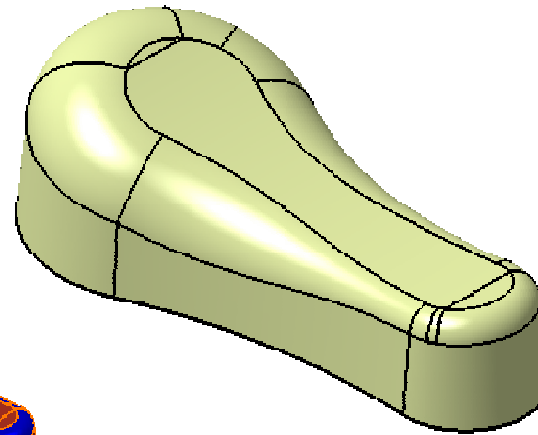
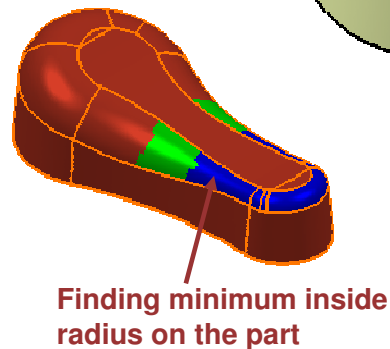
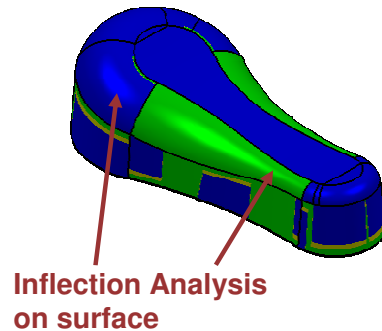
In this lesson you will learn and practice the advance tools of 'Surface Analysis'.

At the end of this Lesson, you will identify and analyze Inflection on surfaces and also find the minimum inside radius on the part.

In this lesson you will learn a few functionalities of surface analysis such as,

■ Curvature Analysis

- ◆ Measuring mean curvature on a surface
- ◆ Measuring Minimum and Maximum Curvature
- ◆ Checking the inflection area on the Surface

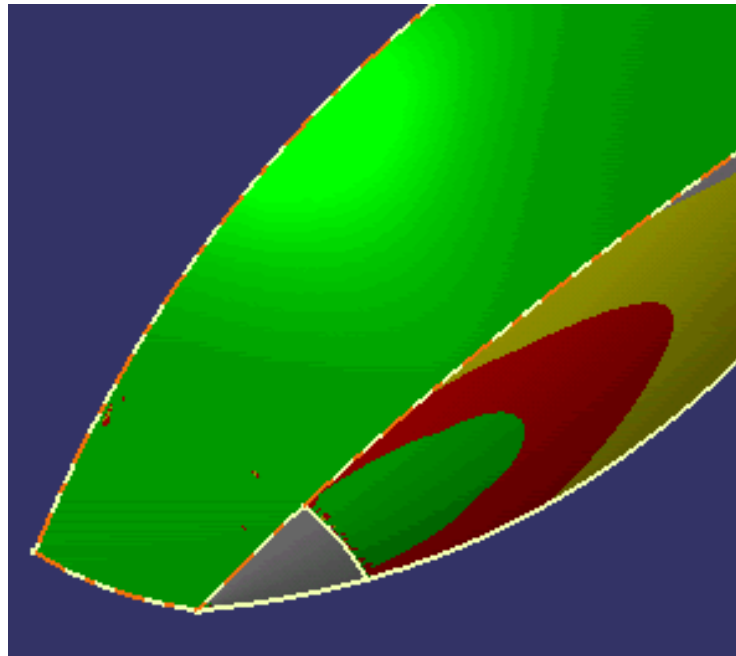


Simple visual inspection of a part will not always uncover surface flaws. Hence the surfaced geometry should always be analyzed using above tools to achieve better quality surfaces.

You will also see a few Surface Analysis recommendations at the end of the lesson.

Curvature Analysis

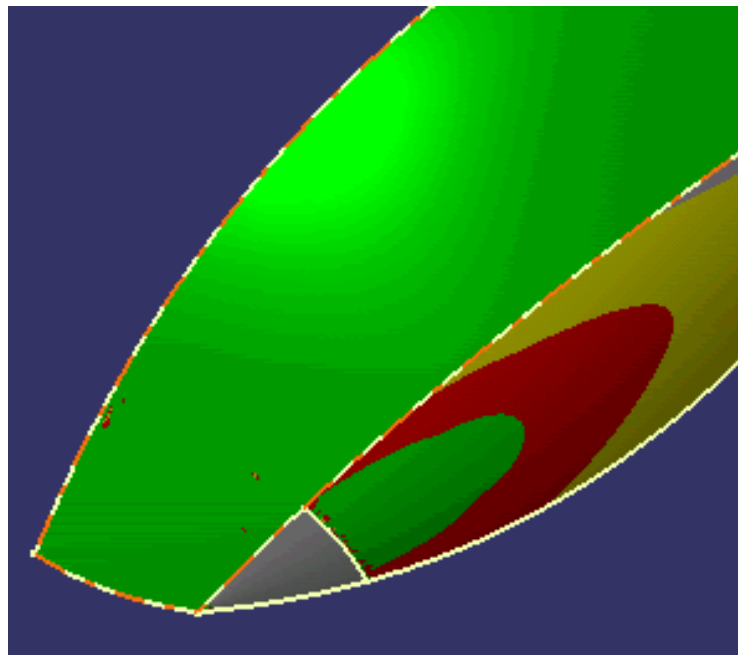
You will learn how to use the Mapping Analysis tool to analyze surface curvature



Why use Curvature Analysis?

Curvature analysis of surfaces are generally used to help model high quality surfaces.

Abrupt changes of curvature on a surface (for example on a car exterior body) can be easily seen by the naked eye and must be smoothed.



What is a Curvature Analysis? (1/2)

Curvature analysis of surfaces is used to help detect the imperfections on surfaces. Abrupt changes of curvature on a surface can be easily seen by the naked eye and must be smoothed. The curvature analysis measures the curvature on each point of a surface according to the following method :

Curvature radius in one point (R): represents the local convexity of the surface

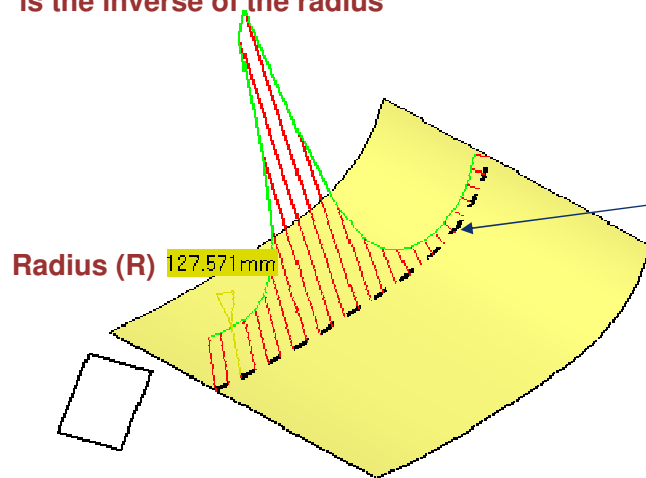
The curvature in one point (C): $C = 1 / R$
is the inverse of the radius

If radius R greater

curvature C is smaller

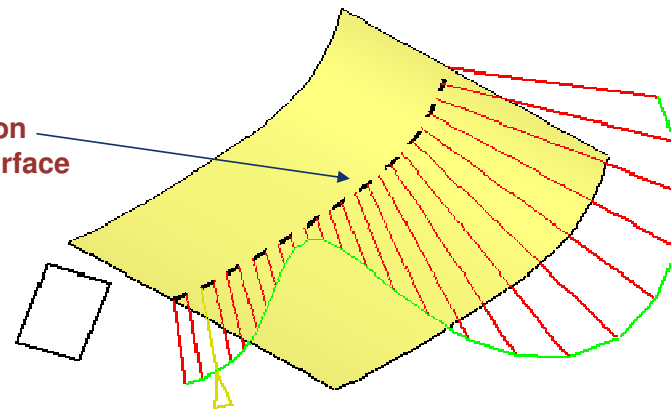
If radius R smaller

curvature C is greater



Radius measure of the surface intersection with a cutting plane

Intersection Plane / Surface



Curvature (C) 0.008mm⁻¹

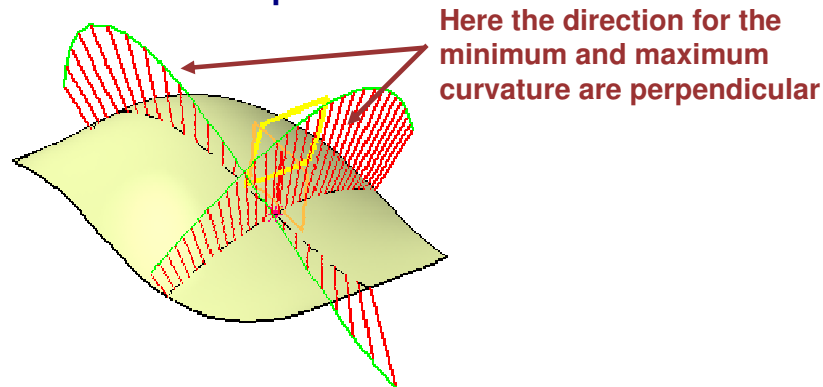
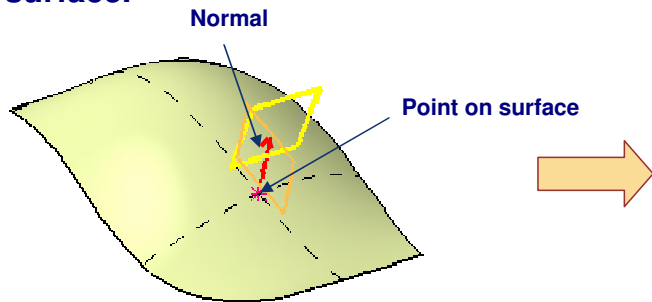
Curvature measure of the surface intersection with a cutting plane

Student Notes:

What is a Curvature Analysis? (2/2)

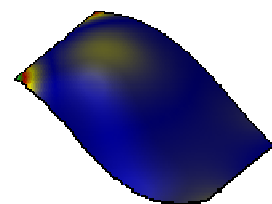
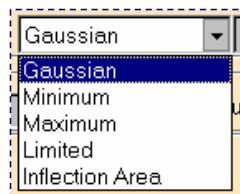
If we rotate planes around the normal vector on a point of the surface, we can build the intersection of these planes with the surface.

On these intersection curves we can measure an infinite number of curvature values for this point.



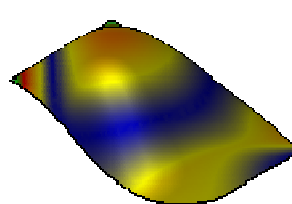
At each point we will have a maximum curvature value "CM" and a minimum curvature value "Cm."

The Mapping analysis tool allows you to measure these minimum and maximum values (Minimum/Maximum analysis), the mean value (Gaussian analysis) and to see the inflection areas.

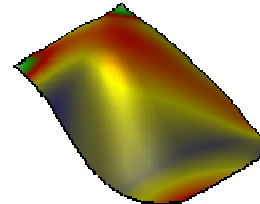


Gaussian
CM.Cm

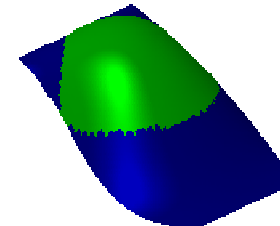
$$\sqrt{|C|}$$



Minimum



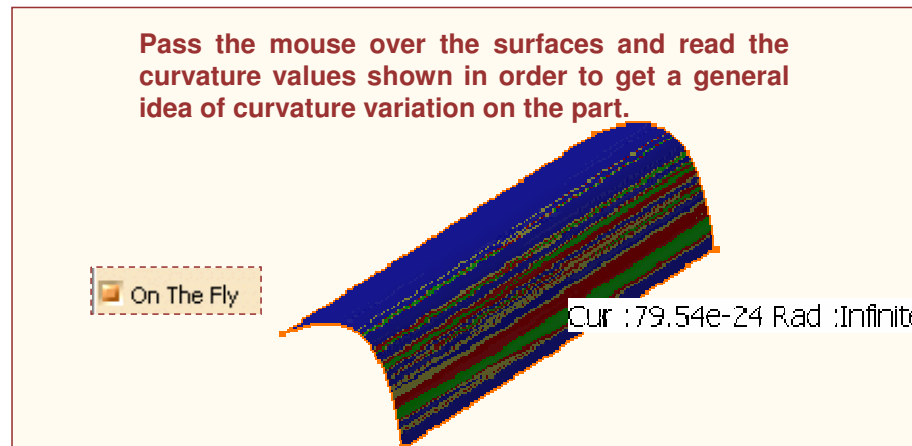
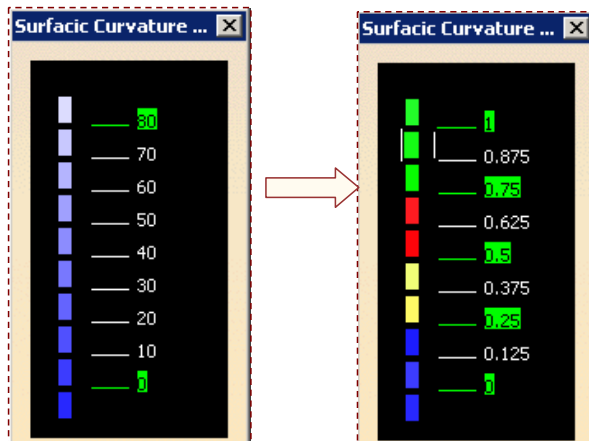
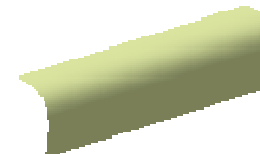
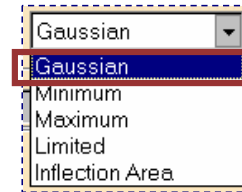
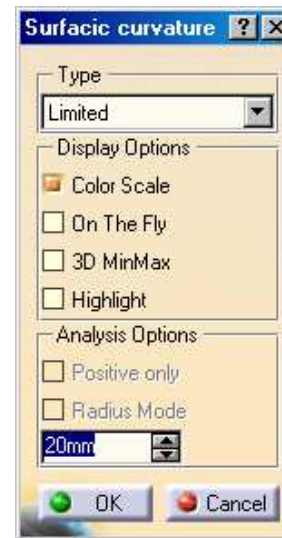
Maximum



Inflection area



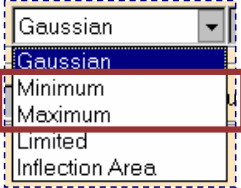
Measuring the Mean Curvature on a Surface.

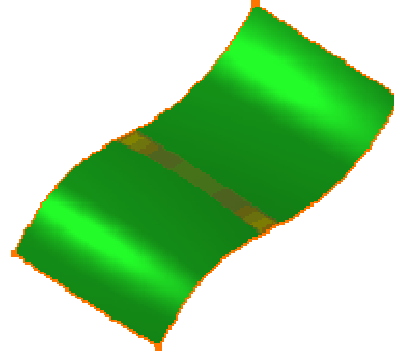
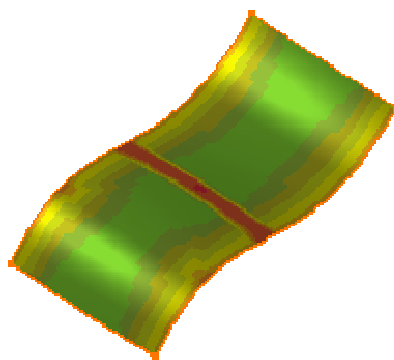
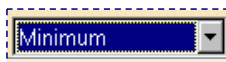
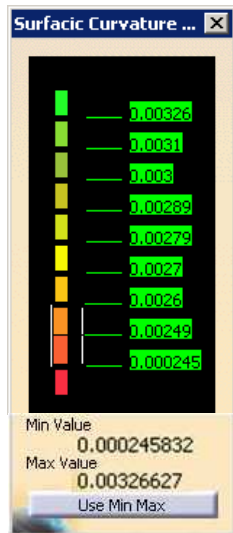
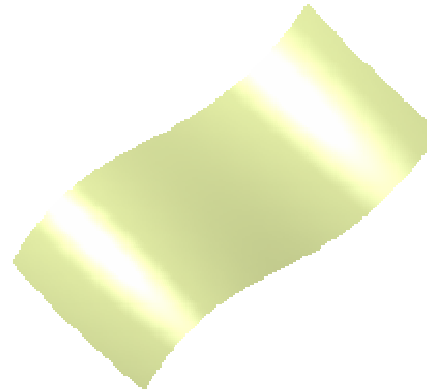
- 1 Select the customized view render style :
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- 3 Select the surface where you want to examine the curvature:
- 4 Select Gaussian as analysis type :
- 5 Adjust the color range fields by right clicking on the thresholds values.



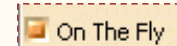
Student Notes:

Measuring the Minimum or Maximum Curvature on a Surface.

- 1 Select the customized view render style : 
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- 3 Select the surface where you want to examine the curvature:
- 4 Select Minimum or Maximum as analysis type : 
- 5 Adjust the color range fields right clicking on the thresholds values and on the colours boxes.



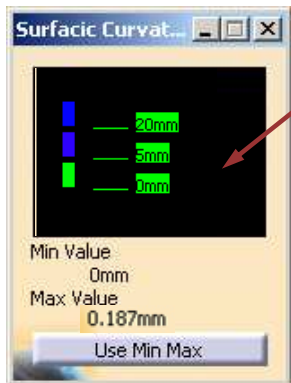
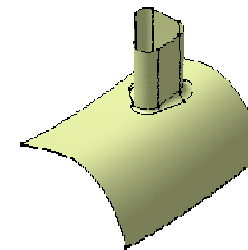
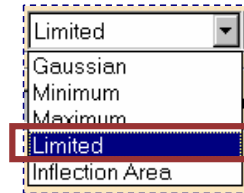
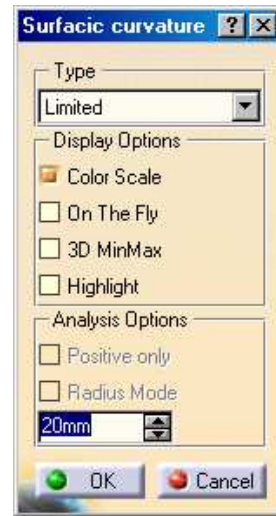
Pass the mouse over the surfaces and read the curvature values shown in order to get a general idea of curvature variation on the part.



Checking a Surface Using the Limited Radius

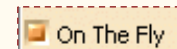
Use the Limited Radius analysis to check if the surface can be offset or to check if a tool (an end mill) with an end radius can mill the part.

- 1 Select the customized view render style :
- 2
- 3 Select the surface where you want to examine the curvature:
- 4 Select Limited as analysis type :
- 5 Set the limited radius value :



In the green area, the defined tool could not mill the part.

Pass the mouse over the surfaces and read the curvature values shown in order to get a general idea of curvature variation on the part.



Checking the Inflection Areas on Surfaces.

Using the Inflection Area analysis type you can see where the curvature sign changes.

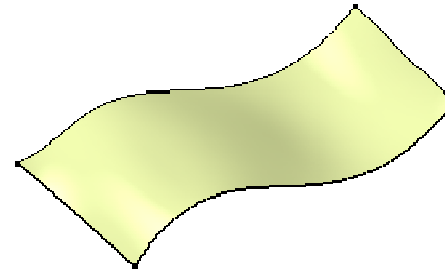
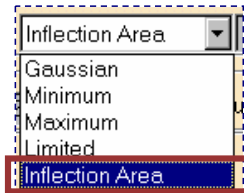
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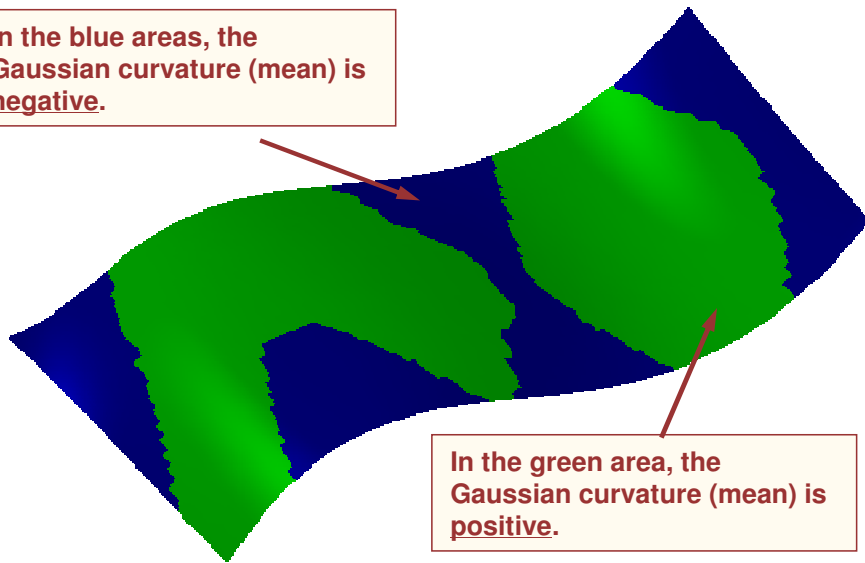
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2 Select the surface where you want to examine the curvature:

3 Select Inflection Area as analysis type :



In the blue areas, the Gaussian curvature (mean) is negative.

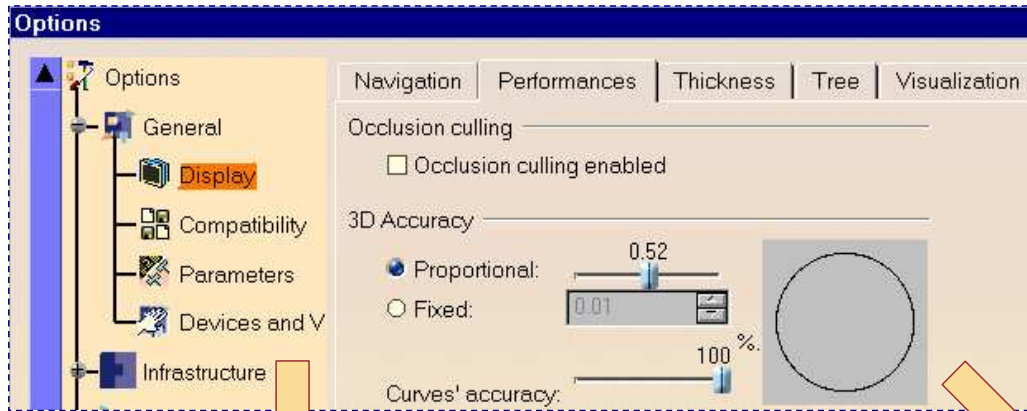


In the green area, the Gaussian curvature (mean) is positive.

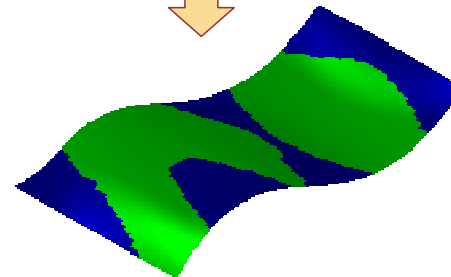
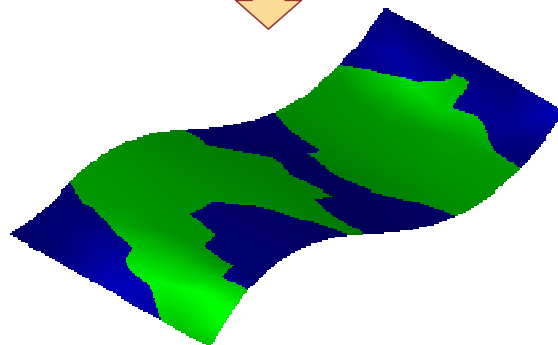
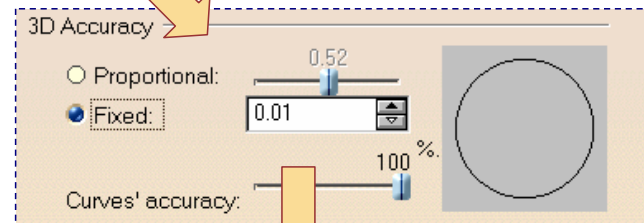


Additional Information on Curvature Analysis

The Analysis is calculated on the mesh used to display the object, the precision of the analysis depends on the display settings.



Fix the 3D Accuracy to the minimum value to have a better analysis rendering.



Surface Analysis – Recommendations

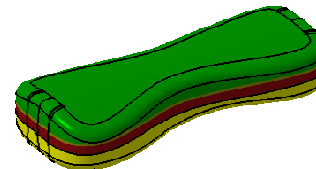
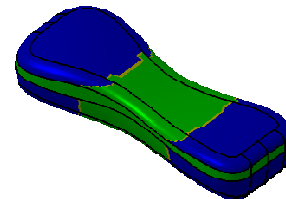
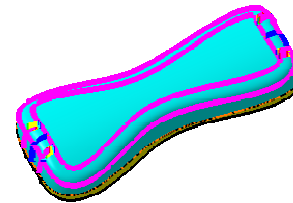
You will be given specific methods and recommendations concerning Surface Analysis and Repair.



Tips on performing Surface Analysis

As a general rule of thumb, the following tools of GSD workbench are useful to obtain an initial assessment of the surface quality of a part.

1. **Visual** – make sure you place a metallic material on the part and shade in material mode. Also reduce the “Accuracy” values in Tools + Options + General + Display + Performances.
2. **Surface Connect Checker** – verify internal connections on the surface. Make sure they conform to specifications.
3. **Inflection Area Analysis (under Surfacic Curvature Analysis tool)** – look for color changes that are not in areas where inflection changes are expected.
4. **Draft Analysis** – make sure the part conforms to all molding or forming criteria.



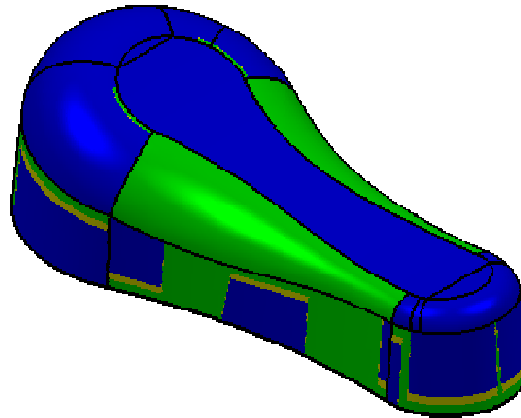
Surface Analysis

Recap Exercise



15 min

- Perform an Inflection Analysis
- Find the minimum inside radius

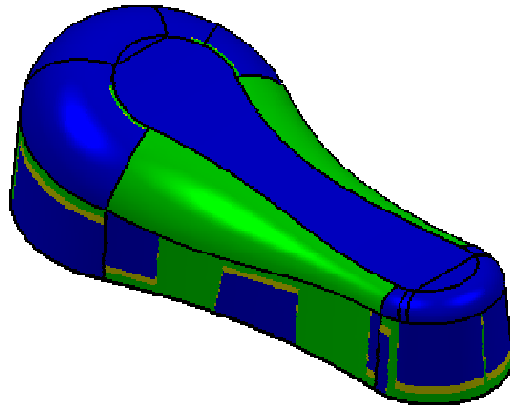
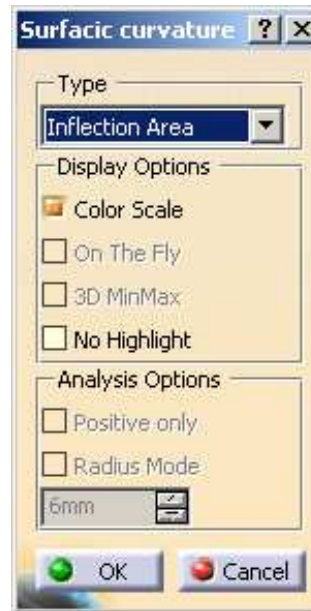


Student Notes:

Do It Yourself (1/2)

 Part used: CATGSD_F_Surface_Analysis_Recap.CATPart

- Perform an Inflection Analysis on the part.
 - ◆ Click on the Surfacic Curvature Analysis icon.
 - ◆ Choose type “Inflection” area.
 - ◆ Select the seat surface.

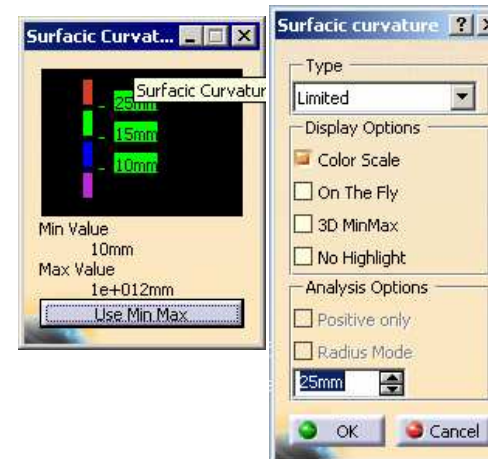
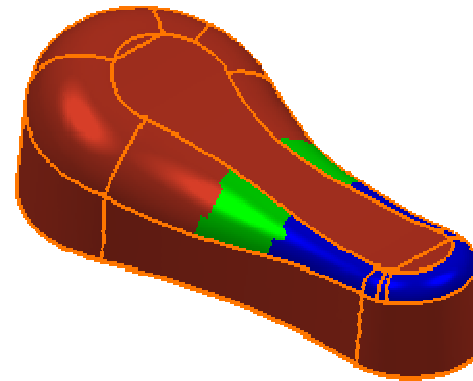


Notice areas of green and blue color. You are looking for is areas of infection that are out of place. On this surface, all the color changes are reasonable

Do It Yourself (2/2)

- Delete the Inflection Analysis from the specification tree.
- Find the minimum inside radius on the part.
 - ◆ Click on the Surfacic Curvature Analysis icon.
 - ◆ Choose type “Limited.”
 - ◆ Make sure the panels appear as shown.
 - ◆ Select the “Whole top surface.”

Notice areas of color indicating minimum radius. Notice the minimum radius in the panel for this surface. This may be critical information for Homologation or for manufacturing.



Additional Surface Design Tools

You will learn the tools which are commonly used to design a surfacic model and Molded Parts.

-  **Improving Geometry Stability**
-  **Improving Geometry Quality**
-  **Checking Molded Parts**

Improving Geometry Stability

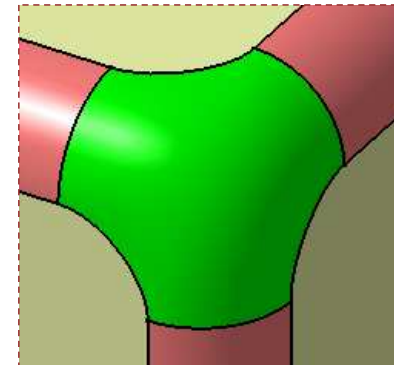
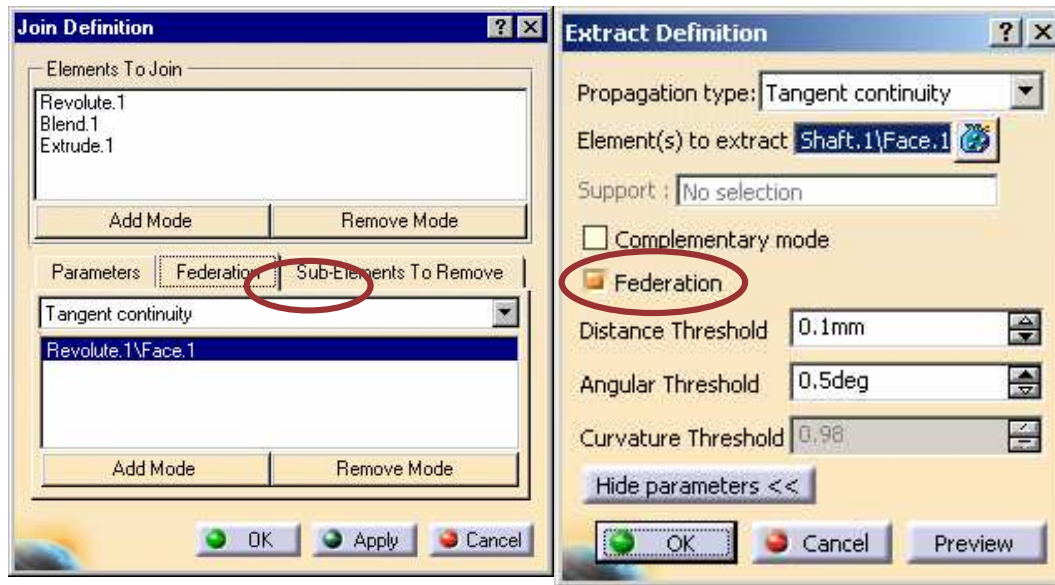
You will learn about few surfacic tool which are used to improve geometry stability.

- Federating Elements
- Blending Vertex when making fillets

Federating Elements



Blending Vertex when making fillets



Federating Elements

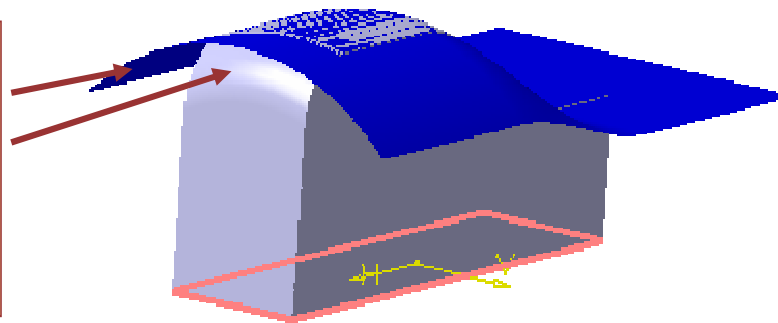
You will learn how to federate elements while joining surfaces and extracting faces

The image displays the 'Operations' toolbar with the 'Join' and 'Extract' icons circled in red. A green arrow points from the 'Join' icon to the 'Join Definition' dialog box. The 'Join Definition' dialog shows 'Elements To Join' (Revolute.1, Blend.1, Extrude.1) and 'Parameters' set to 'Federation' (circled in red). The 'Extract Definition' dialog shows 'Propagation type' as 'Tangent continuity', 'Element(s) to extract' as 'Shaft.1\Face.1', and 'Complementary mode' with 'Federation' selected (circled in red). Thresholds for Distance (0.1mm), Angular (0.5deg), and Curvature (0.98) are also visible.

Why Federate ? (1/2)

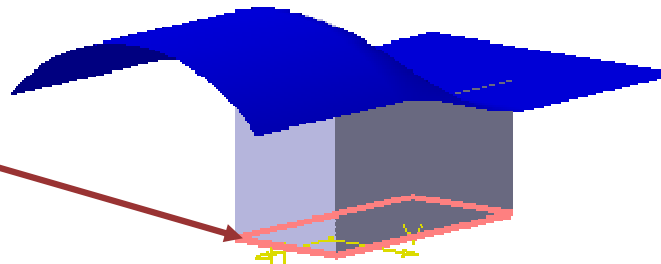
1- Surfaces are made of several faces.
Elements created from a surface are in fact created from its faces.

The pad has been created with the option "Up to surface", using the blue surface.
A fillet has been added to the top edge of this pad.
This edge depends on a face of the blue surface.



2- A modification of the part geometry may lead to a change of the supporting face.

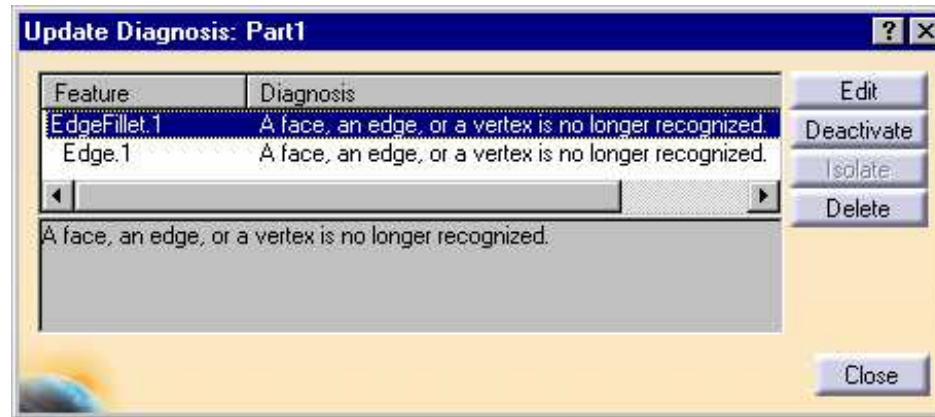
The sketch supporting the pad has been modified so that the filleted edge does not lie anymore on the same face



Why Federate ? (2/2)

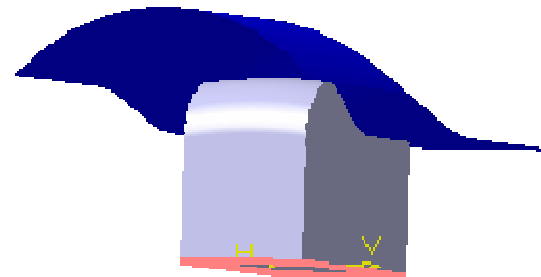
3- This change can lead to an update error because the elements created from these faces are no longer recognized.

During the update of the part, an update error occurred : the filleted edge is not recognized :



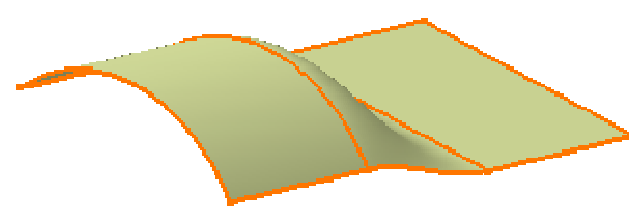
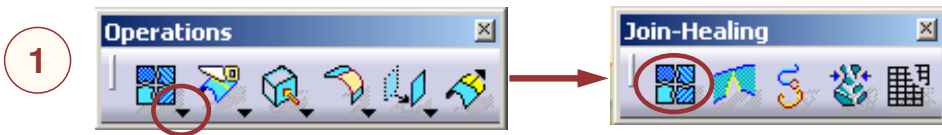
4- Federating the faces of the surfaces, this kind of update error does not occur anymore.

To solve the problem, you just have to federate the faces of the blue surface. Then the part is updated without any problem :



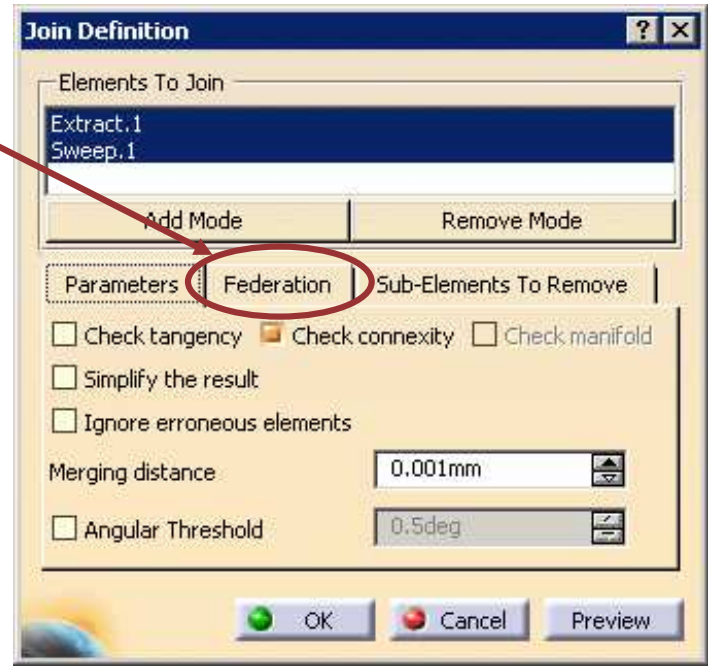
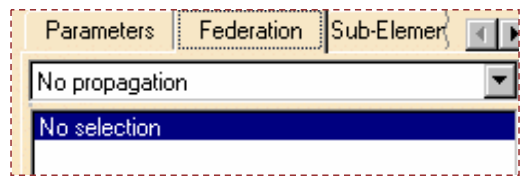
Federating Elements while Joining Surfaces

Joining surfaces, you have the possibility to federate the faces of the resulting surface

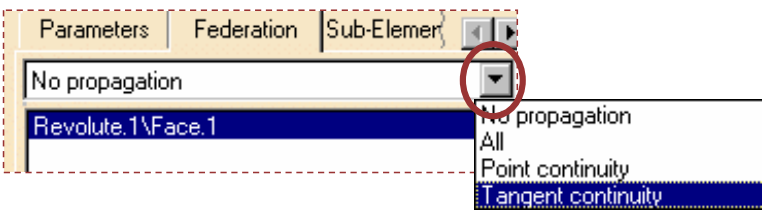


2 Select one by one the elements to be joined together.

3 Expand the new "Federation" panel in the join dialog box.



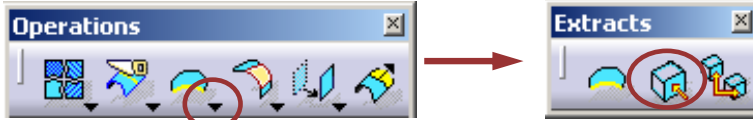
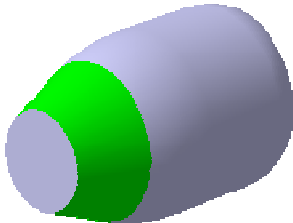
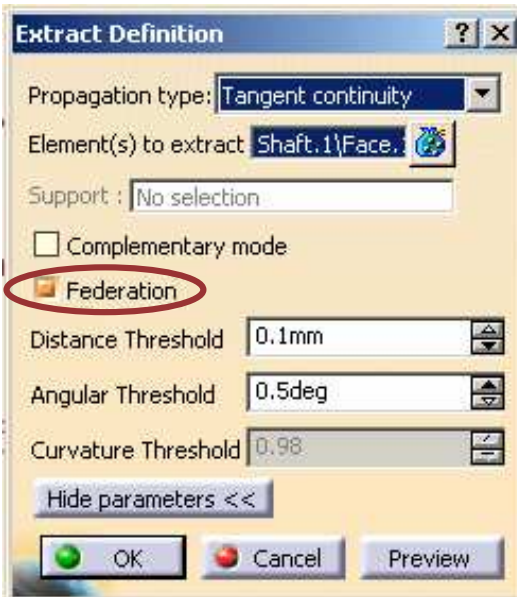
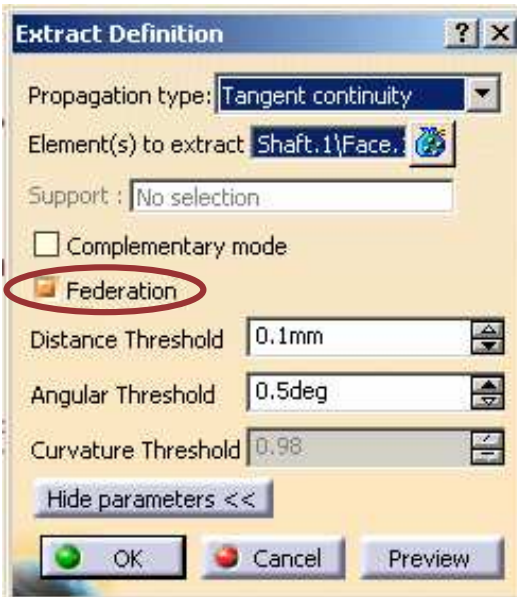
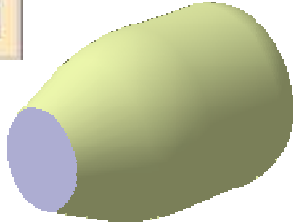
4 Select one face of the join surface and choose a propagation type.



5 Click OK to create the federated joined surface.

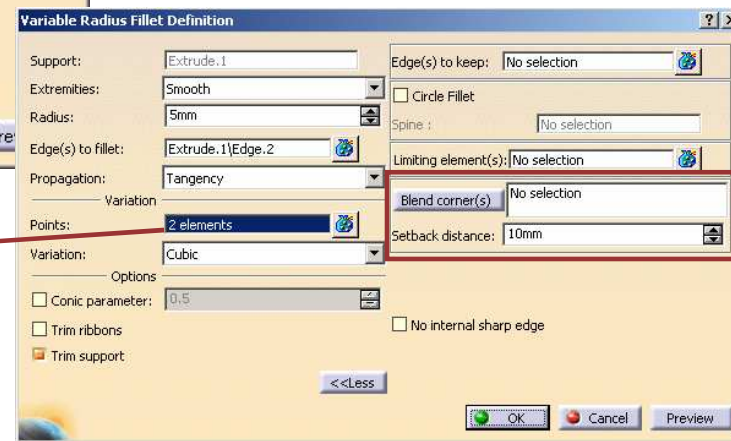
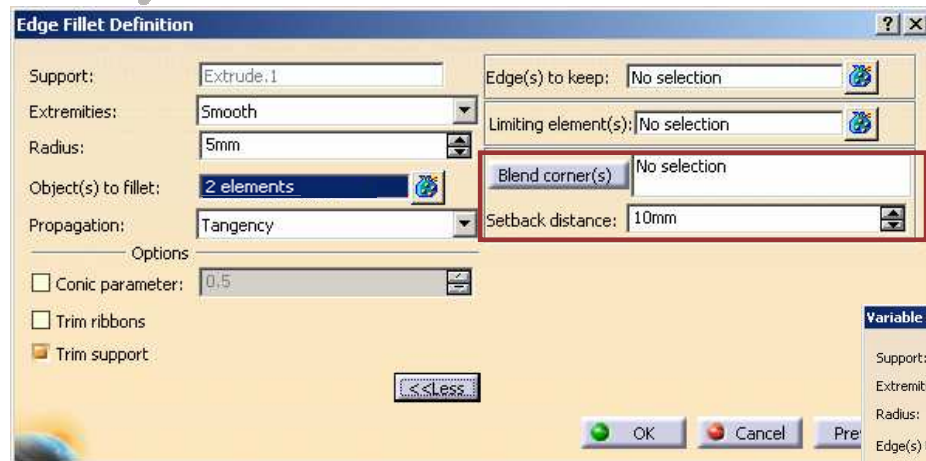
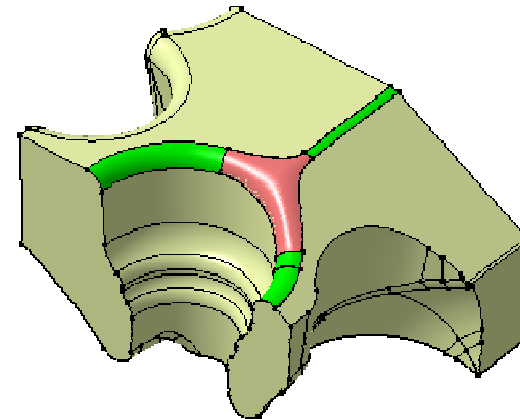
Federating Elements while Extracting Faces

Extracting faces from a solid, you have the possibility to federate the faces of the resulting surface

- 1 
- 2 **Select one face of the solid.** 
- 3 **Choose a propagation type.** 
- 4 **Activate the federation switch.** 
- 5 **Click OK to create the federated extracted surface.** 

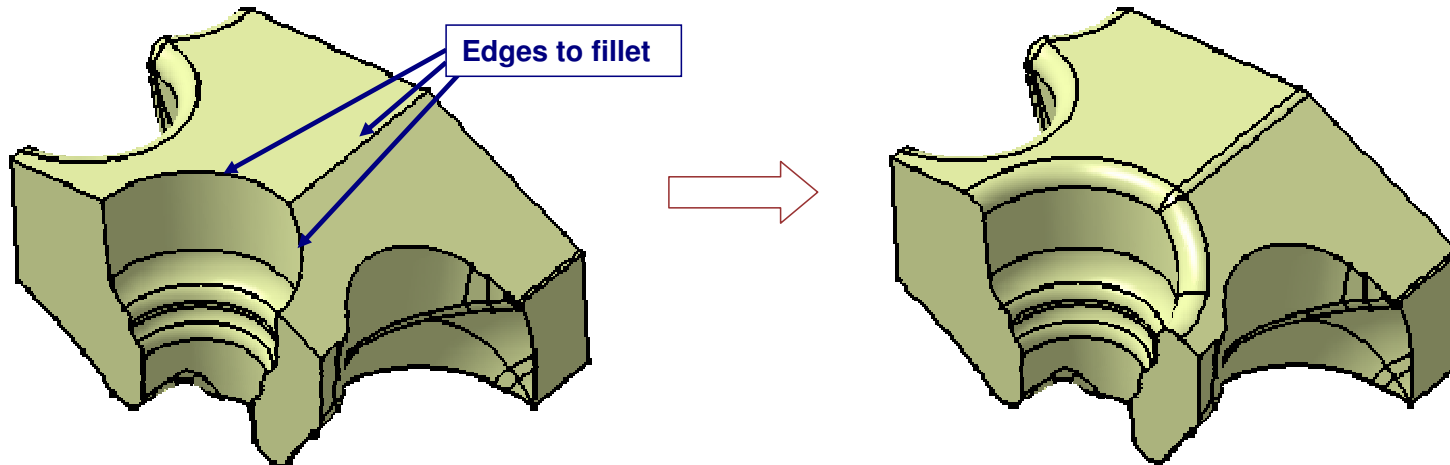
Blending Vertex when Making Fillets

You will see how to easily make fillets on sharp edges that are incident to a sharp vertex point

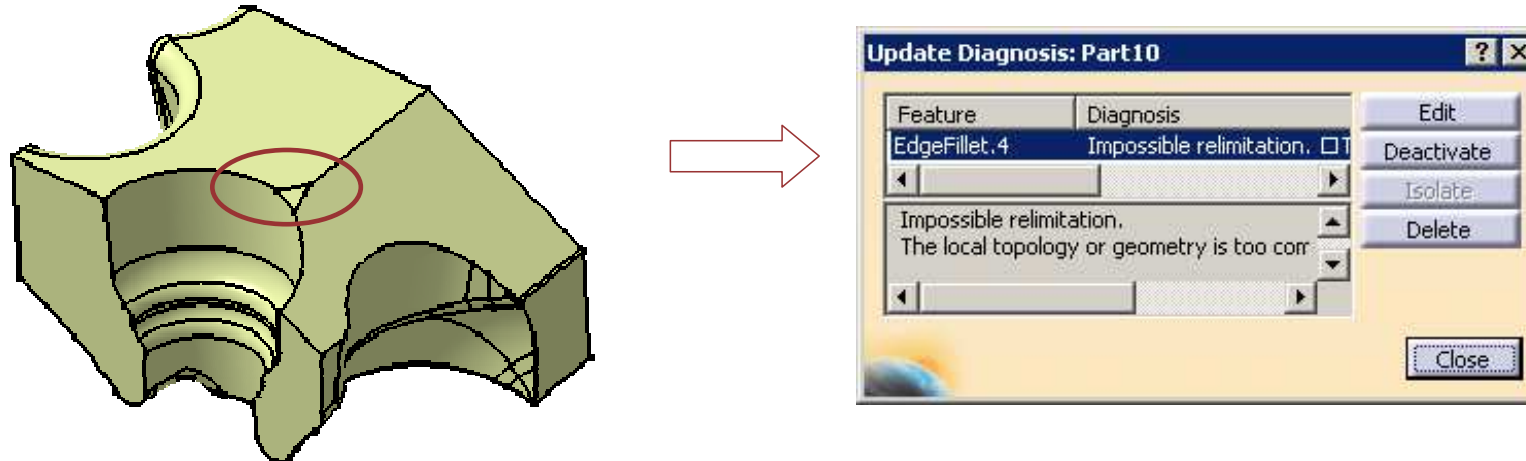


Why this Tool ?

When the initial geometry on which lies a sequence of fillets is modified, the sequence of fillets may fail and the designer may have to have a new fillet sequence :



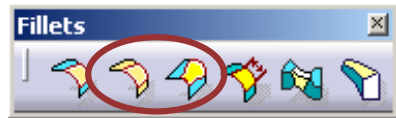
If the initial geometry is modified, the fillet sequence cannot be recalculated :



The Blend Vertex allows you to make fillets that are more stable during the modifications ...

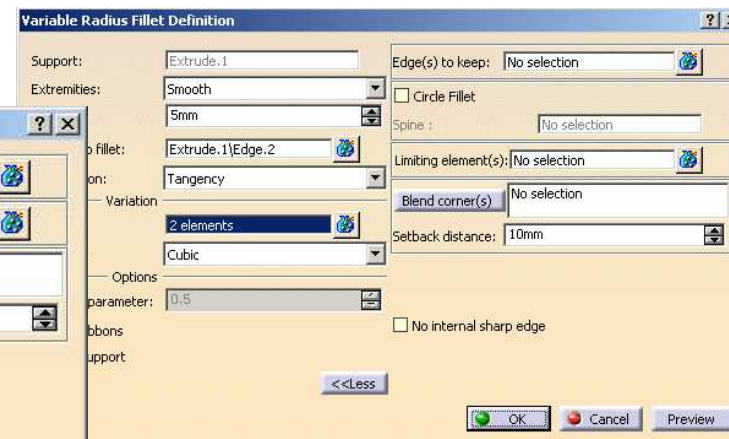
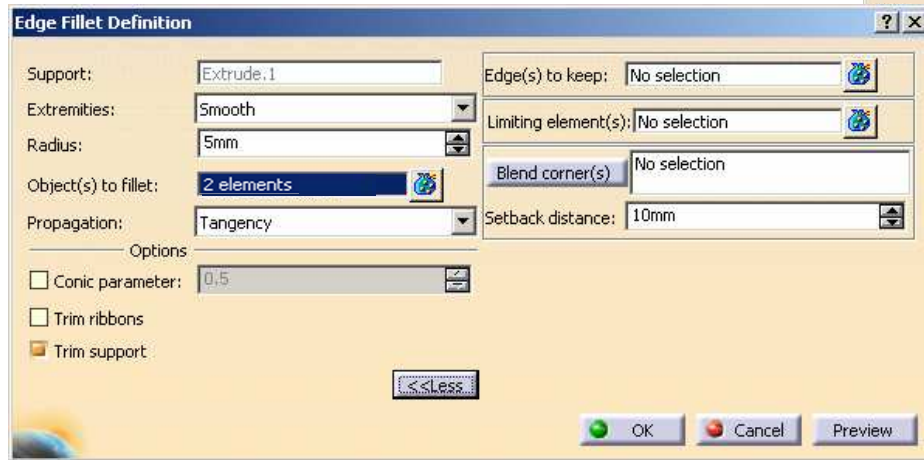
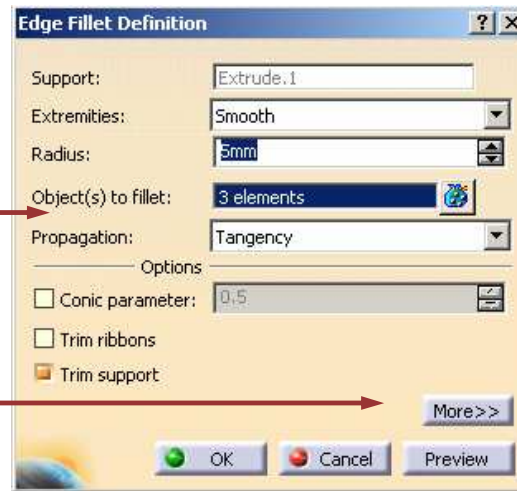
Blending Vertex when making Fillets (1/2)

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2 Select the edges on which you want to make fillets :

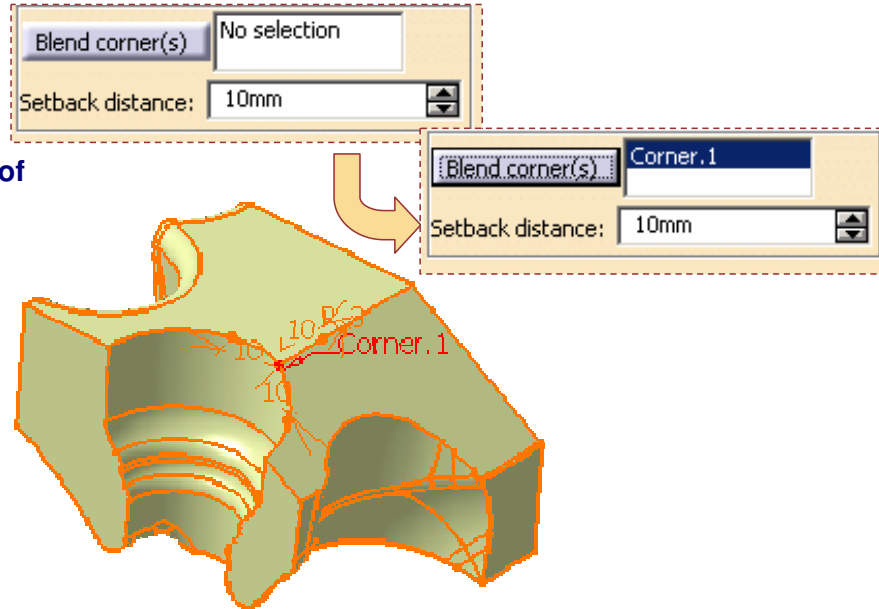
3 Click on the “More” button to expand the fillet dialog box :



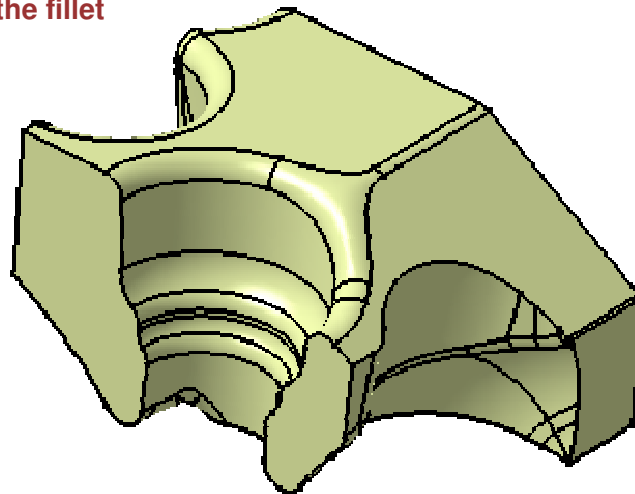
Blending Vertex when making Fillets (2/2)

4 Click on the “Blend Corner” button :

CATIA automatically detects the existence of a sharp vertex point common to the edges you selected :



5 Click on OK to confirm the fillet creation :



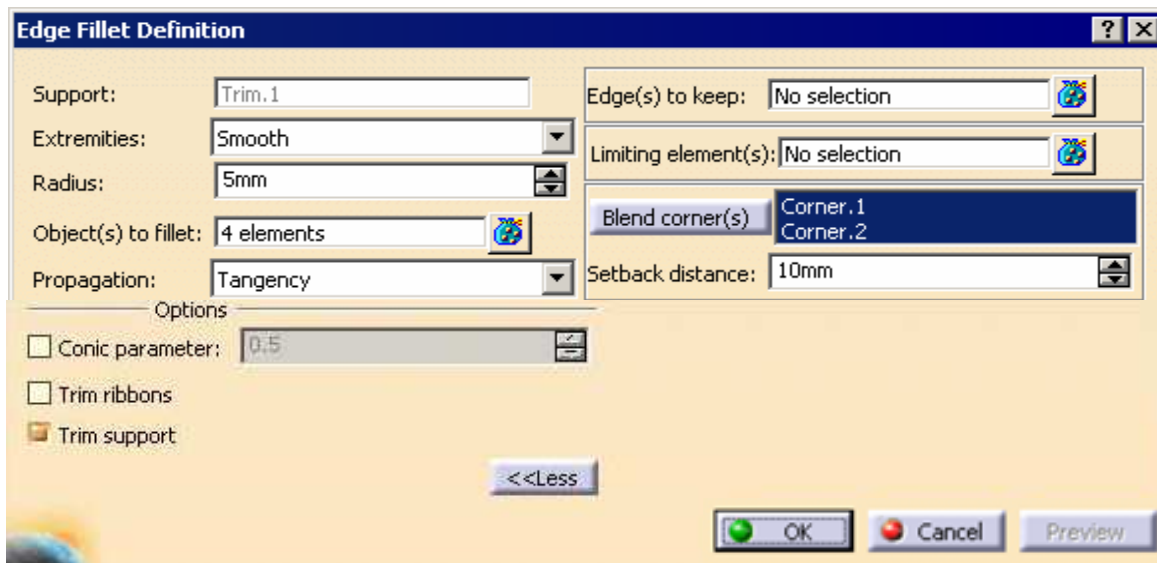
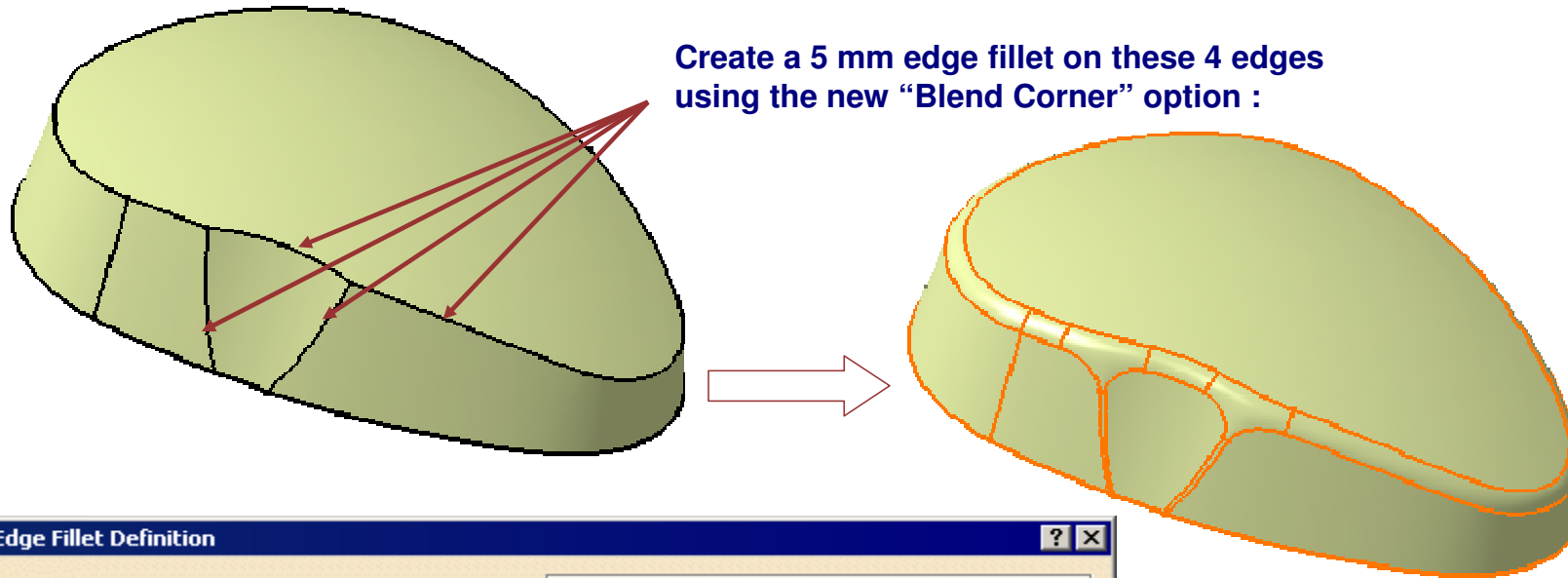
Student Notes:

Do it Yourself



Part used: FilletBlendVertex.CATPart

Create a 5 mm edge fillet on these 4 edges using the new "Blend Corner" option :



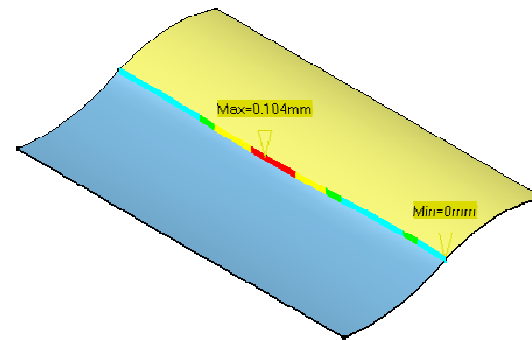
Student Notes:

Improving Geometry Quality

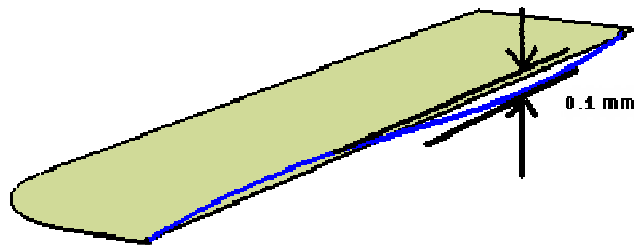
You will learn about a few surfacic tools which are used to analyze and improve geometry quality.

- Healing Surface
- Tolerant Modeling
- Connect Checker

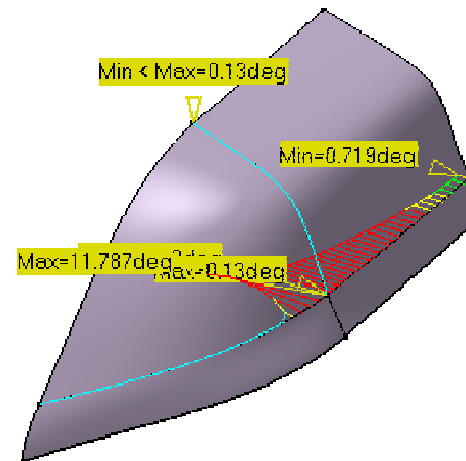
Healing Surfaces



Tolerant Modeling



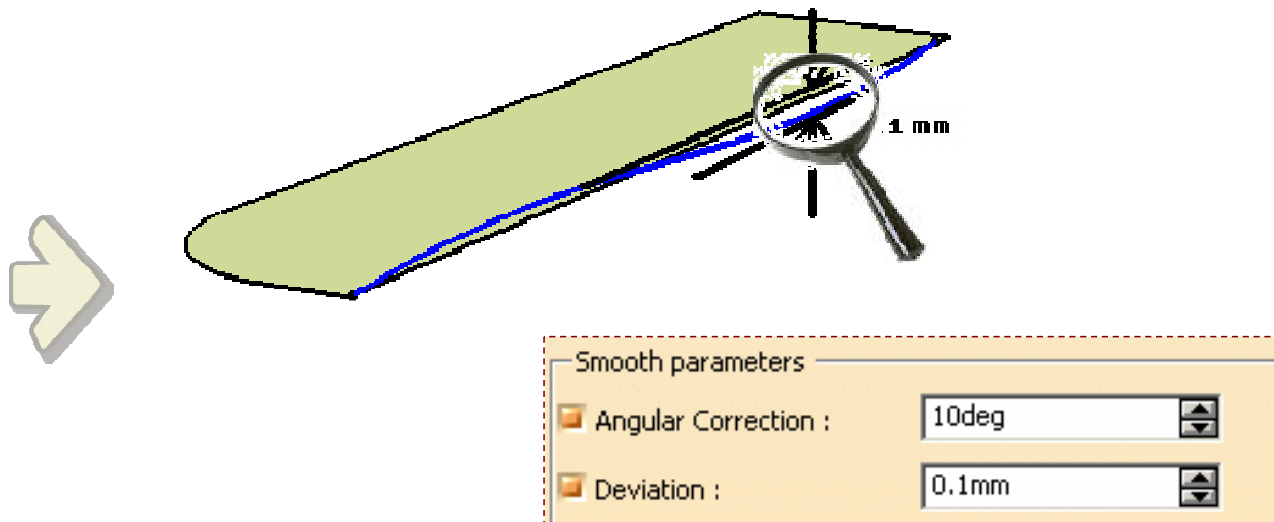
The Connect Checker



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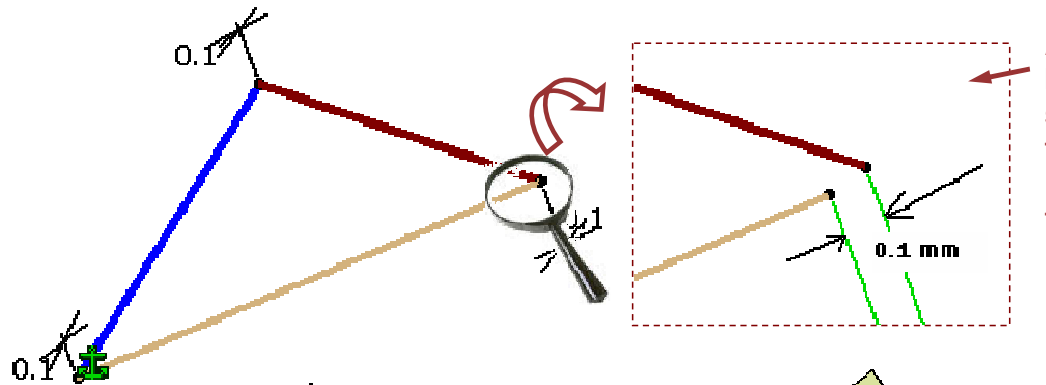
Tolerant Modeling

You will see the tolerant Modeling Concept.

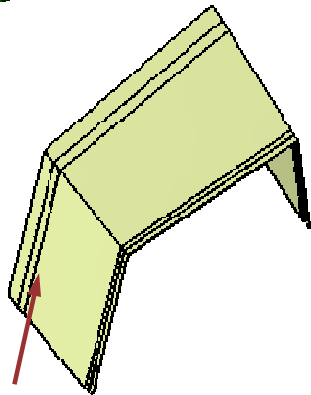


Why Tolerant Modeling?

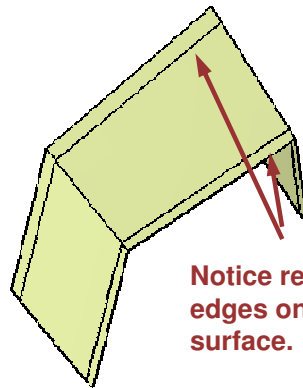
Sometimes the input wireframe and surfaces are not of desired quality. Using these elements propagates the problem to child elements. Tolerant Modeling aims at creating good results using imperfect inputs.



As seen in this example there is a gap between the two curves. You will still succeed in creating a fill surface using the three curves, because of Tolerant Modeling. (The gap should not be more than 0.1mm).

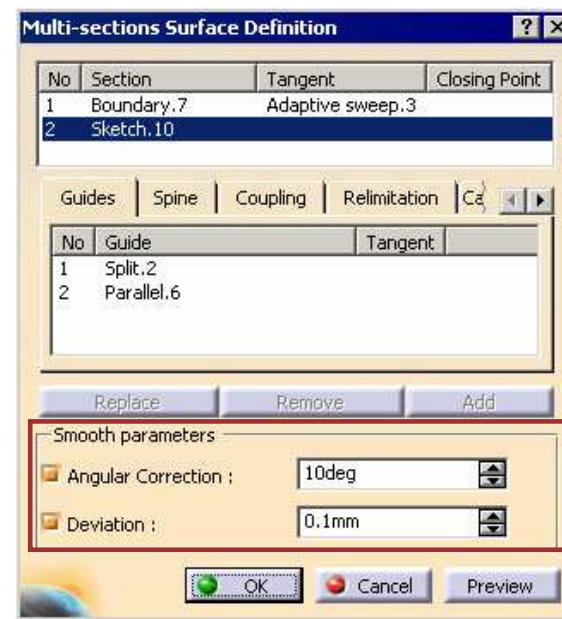


Before Application of Tolerant Modeling Parameters in Multisection Surface there are many edges.



Notice reduced edges on the surface.

After Application of Tolerant Modeling Parameters the edges is reduced.

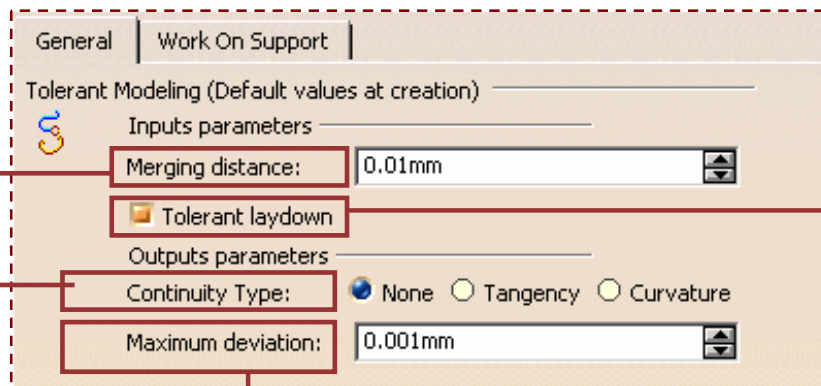


What About Tolerant Modeling

Some of the tolerant Modeling facilities are inbuilt and no UI is available. There are settings in Tools > Options > Shape >Generative Shape Design >General from where you can set some of the Tolerant Modeling parameters.



Affects Join and Healing Operations.



Affects Parallel Curve, Sweep, Multi-sections surface, Blend, Split, Trim, Fill, Extrapol .

Affects Project, Parallel Curve.

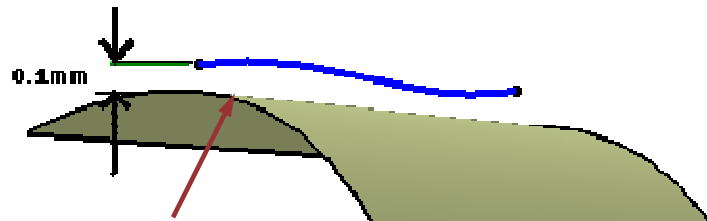


Affects Project, Parallel Curve, Sweep, Multi-sections surface, Curve Smooth .



What is Tolerant Laydown?

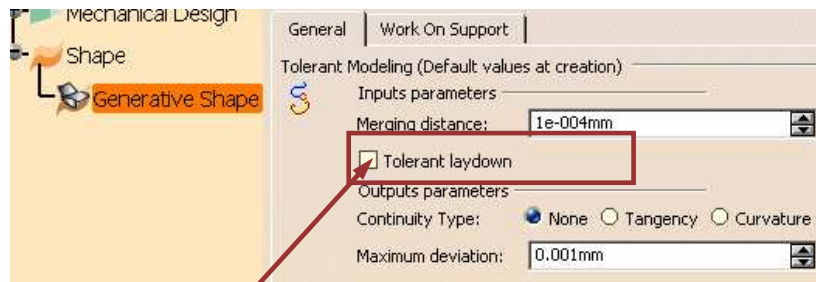
Some features require wires that are laid down on their support shell. When those supports are created within a tolerance (tolerant modeling), this tolerance has to be used to lay down the wire on the support.



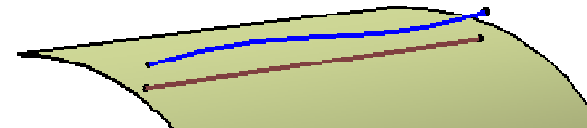
The wire does not lie on the surface and the distance is 0.1 mm



If you try to create parallel curve on the surface, using the curve shown in the figure, CATIA will give an error as it is expected that the curve should lie on the surface.



Select this option to make tolerant laydown work. The limit for Laydown is 0.1 mm

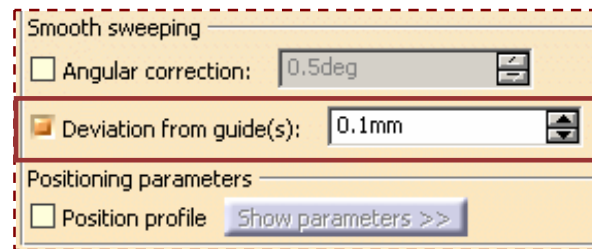
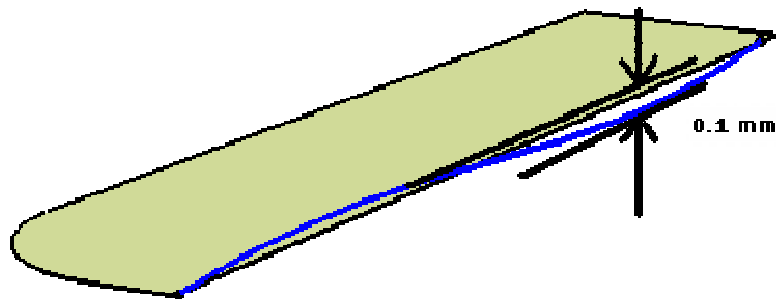


Tolerant laydown projects the wire on the support within the tolerance.

The support must thus be large enough for the whole wire to be projected

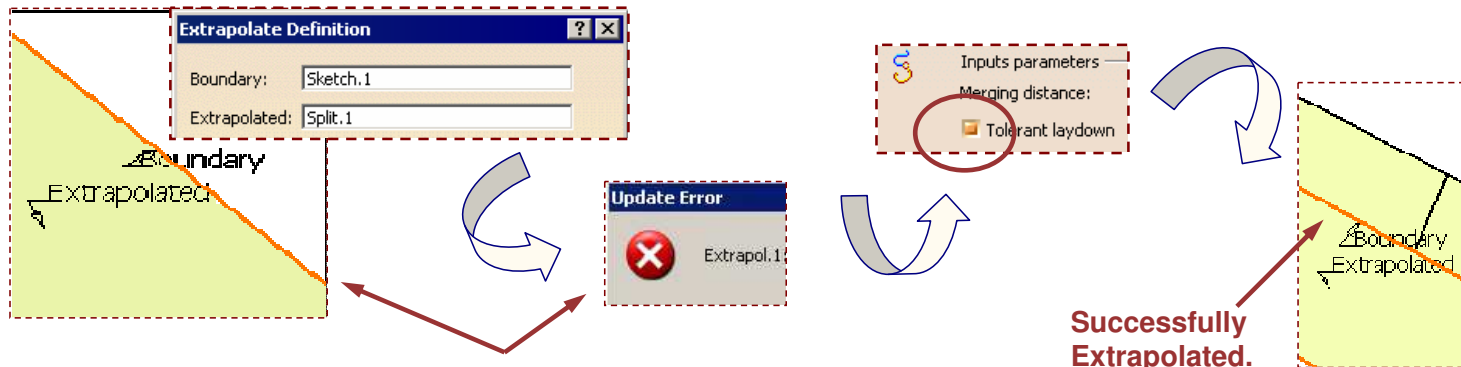
Tolerant Projection for Fill and Extrapolate

Tolerant Projection for Fill and Extrapolate lays down the input wire on the surface within the 0.1mm limit specified for Tolerance Laydown and makes possible the creation of Extrapolate and Fill which otherwise would not have been possible.



The surface shown here has been created by sweep operation using the curve as shown.

Tolerant smoothing parameters were used and thus the surface is smoothed but there is a distance between the surface and the input curve.

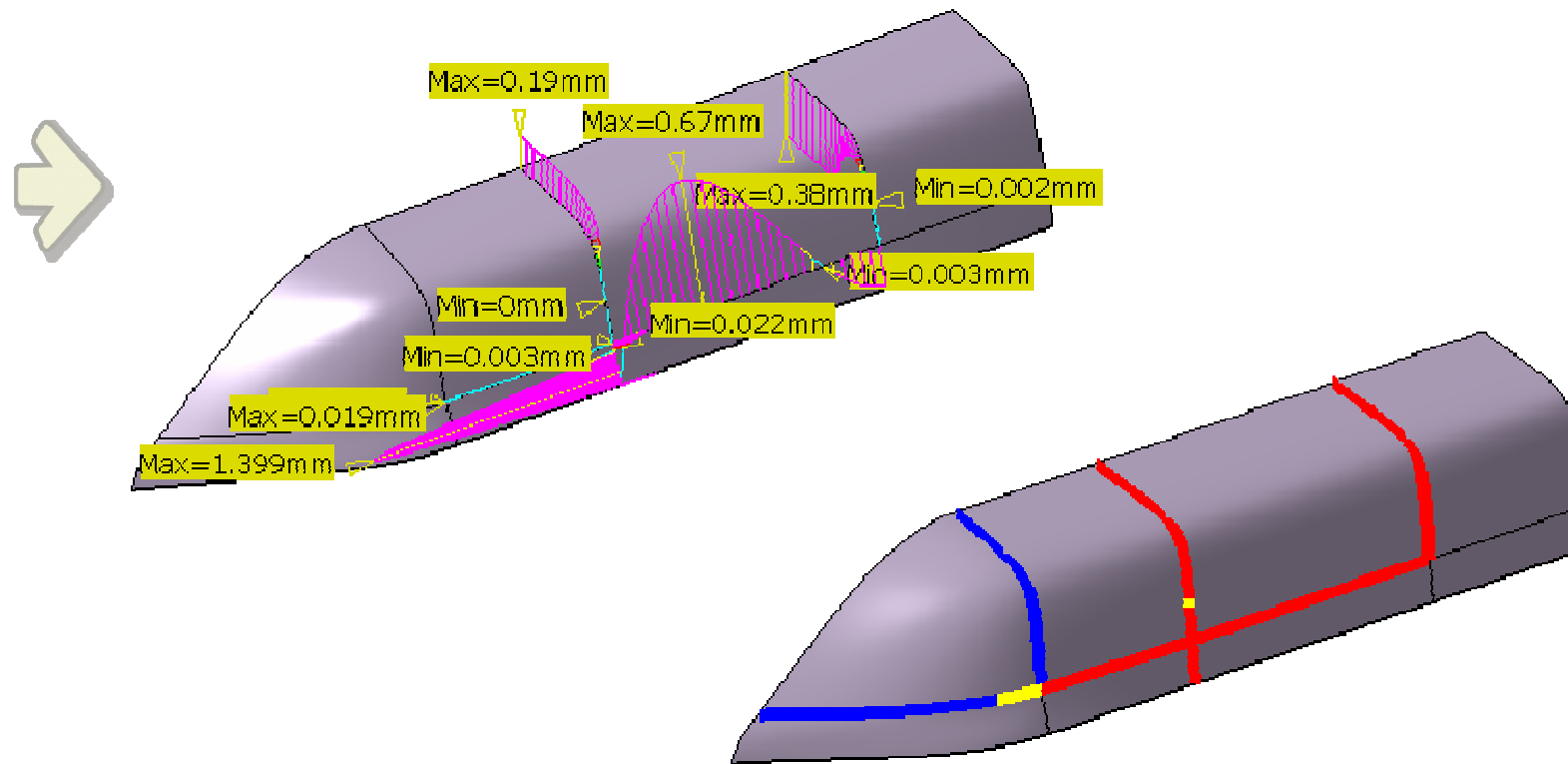


Extrapolate not possible because Tolerant Laydown not specified.

Successfully Extrapolated.

Connect Checker

You will learn how to use the Connect Checker tool to analyze the connection between surfaces.

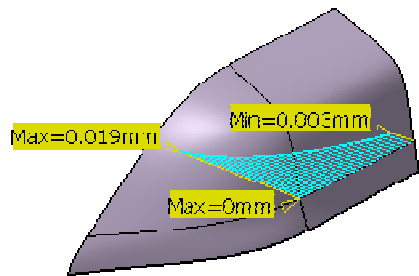
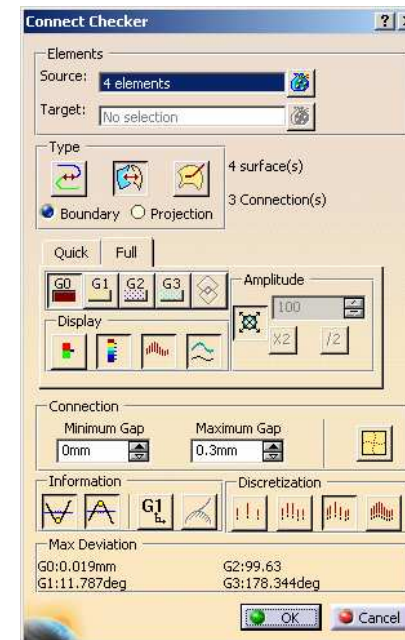
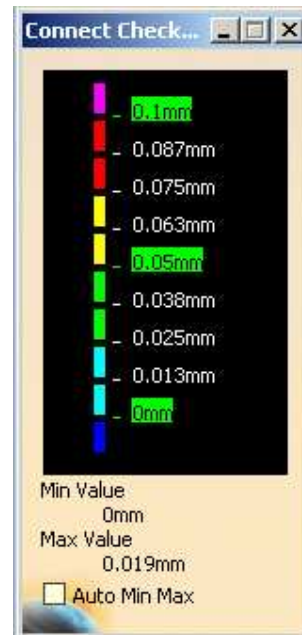


Why the Connect Checker?

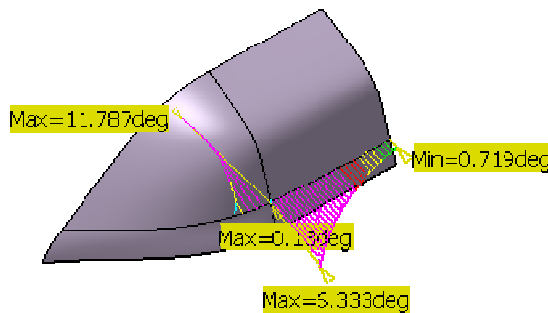
For surface modeling, to ensure good transition from one surface to another, the Connect Checker allows the user to examine :

- G0 (mm)
- G1 (deg)
- G2 (%)
- G3 (deg)

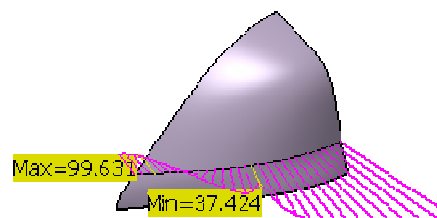
along an edge joining two surfaces.



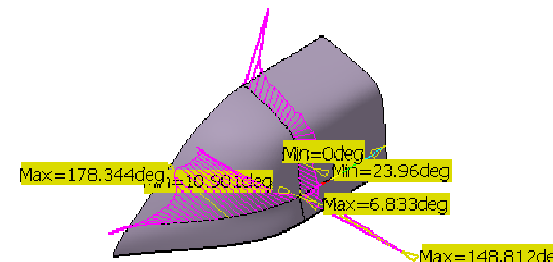
G0 analysis



G1 analysis



G2 analysis



G3 analysis

How to use the Connect Checker (1/2)

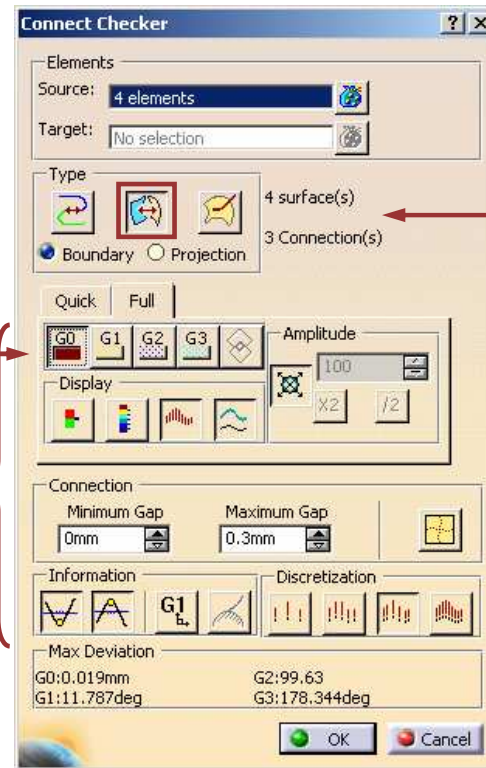
1 Select the Connect Checker Icon 

2 Click Surface-Surface Connection type.

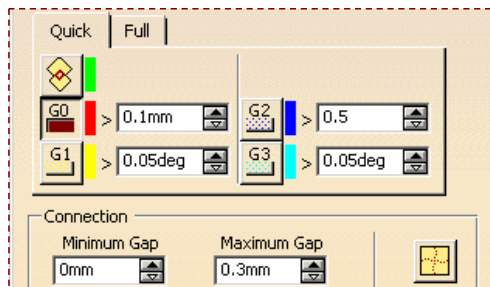
3 Multi-Select the two surfaces between which you would like to check the connection. (In case no connections is found between the selected surfaces CATIA displays an information).

4 Choose the Analysis Type : G0, G1,G2 or G3

5 Choose the type of Display you require.



The number of selected elements and the number of detected connections are displayed.

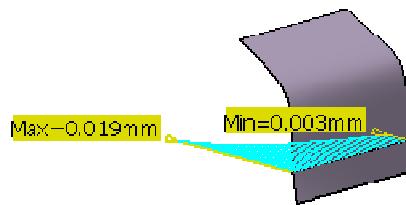


Select the Quick tab to obtain a simplified analysis taking into account tolerances (G0,G1,G2 and G3.)

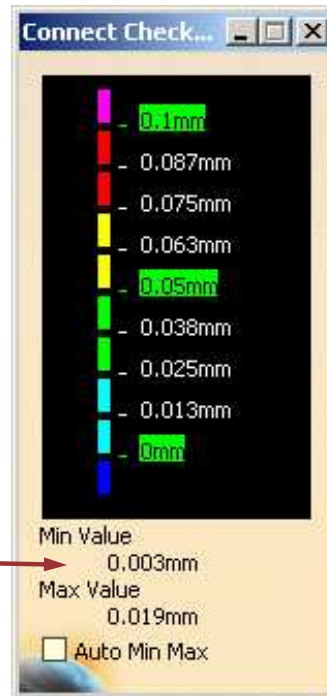
How to use the Connect Checker (2/2)

6 Adjust the color ranges taking account your Minimum and Maximum values

7 Check the analysis result on the geometry.

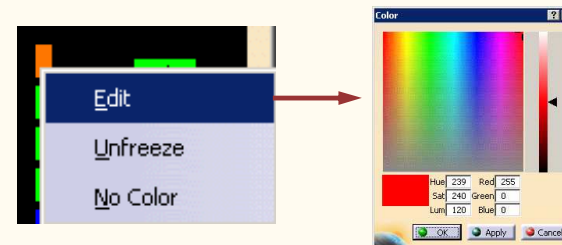


Note the Minimum and Maximum values between the two surfaces.



You can modify the thresholds values and the corresponding colours by right-clicking on it.

This way, you can adjust the colour range fields.



8 Click OK to confirm. The Connection Analysis is added to the specification tree

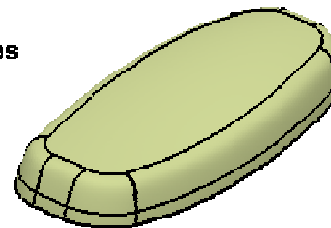
Student Notes:

Healing Surfaces

You will learn about the Healing operation



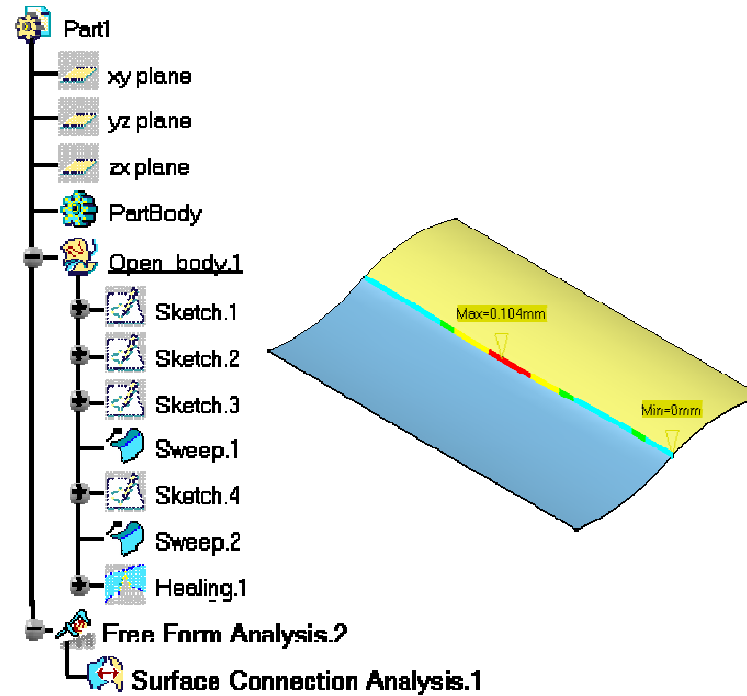
- Mirror Shell
 - xy plane
 - yz plane
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- PartBody
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- Group-Major Surfaces
- Blends**
 - Lower Boundary
 - Blend Spine
 - Upper Boundary
 - Split Top
 - Split Top
 - Blend blend
- Final Shape
- Point.13/
- Z direction
- Healing.1**



Why Healing?

While **Join** is a topological integration of surfaces into one logical surface, **HEALING** will mathematically deform the shape of surfaces at boundary areas so they smoothly blend into one another.

When physical parts are manufactured from CAD models, the machining is guided by the exact representation of the individual surfaces. Hence, Healing is important to ensure that each one of these surfaces transitions smoothly between one another.

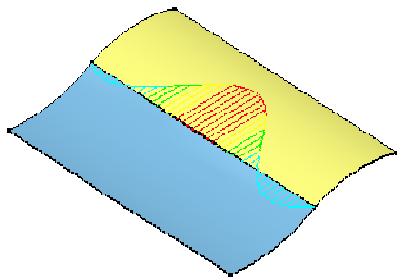


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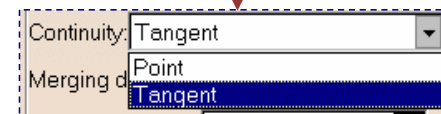
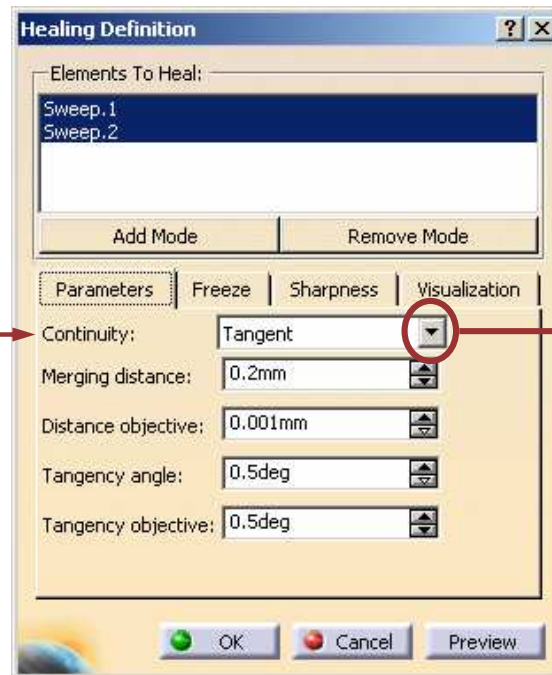
Healing Surfaces (1/3)



2 Select directly the surfaces to heal.



3 Choose if you want to heal the point discontinuities or the tangency discontinuities.

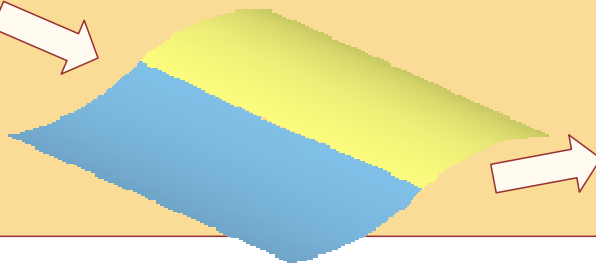


Healing Surfaces (2/3) : Parameters

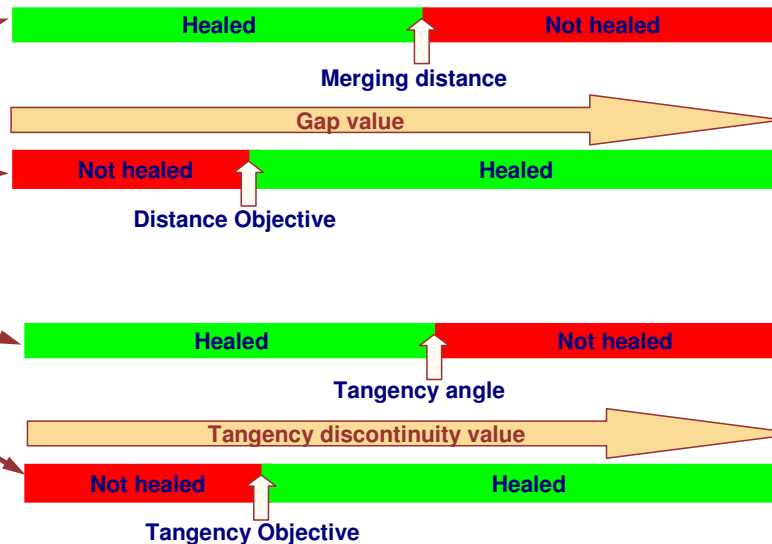
The objective of the parameters is to choose the discontinuities you want to heal or not :

4 Key in parameters :

Note : a Connect Checker analysis can help to choose these parameters :

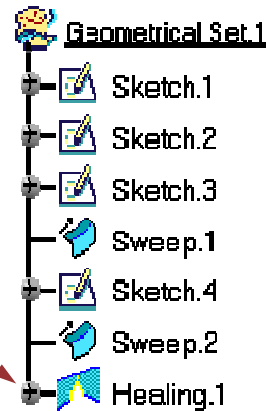
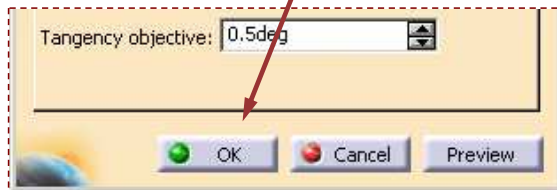


These parameters are thresholds that allows you to:
 - define the discontinuities to be healed (**Merging distance** and **Tangency angle**).
 - define the discontinuities you consider it is not necessary to heal (**Distance Objective** and **Tangency Objective**).

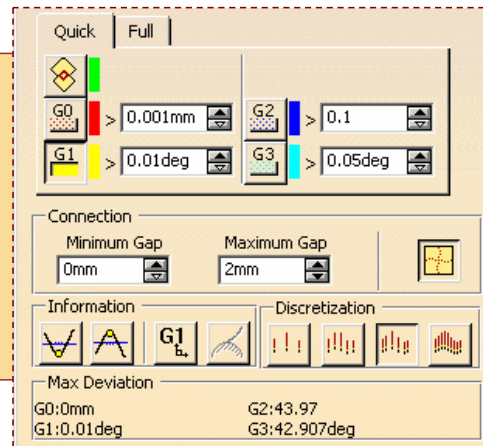
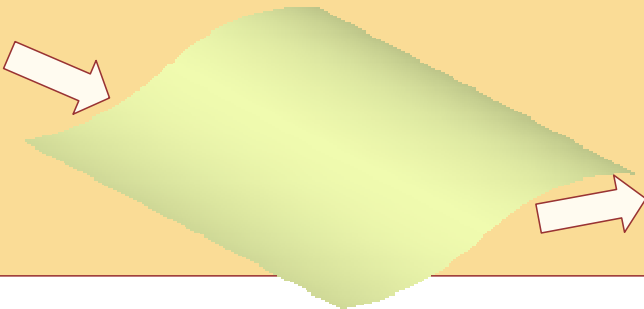


Healing Surfaces (3/3)

5 Click on OK to confirm the healed surface creation.



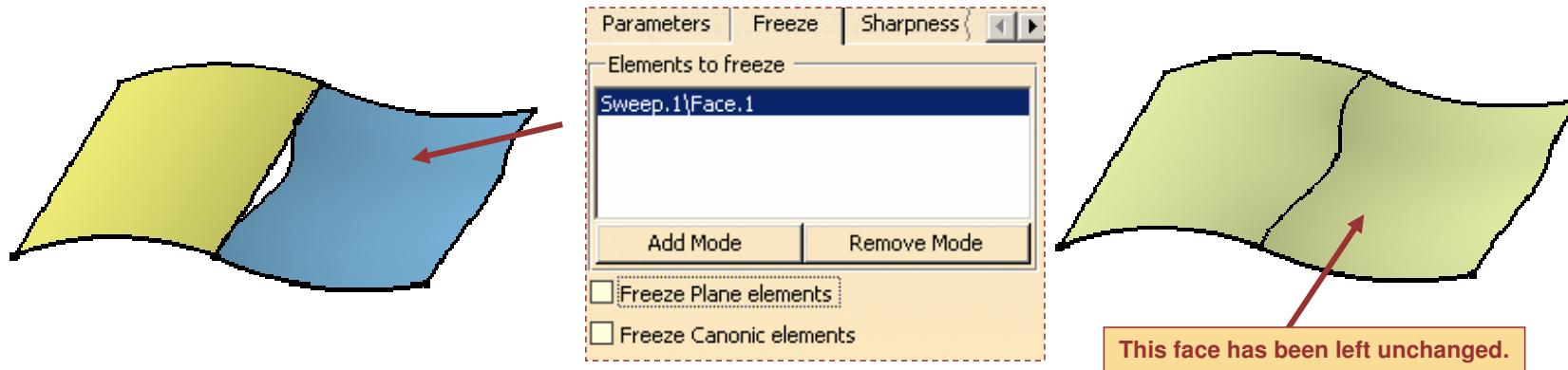
Note : a Connect Checker analysis now shows :



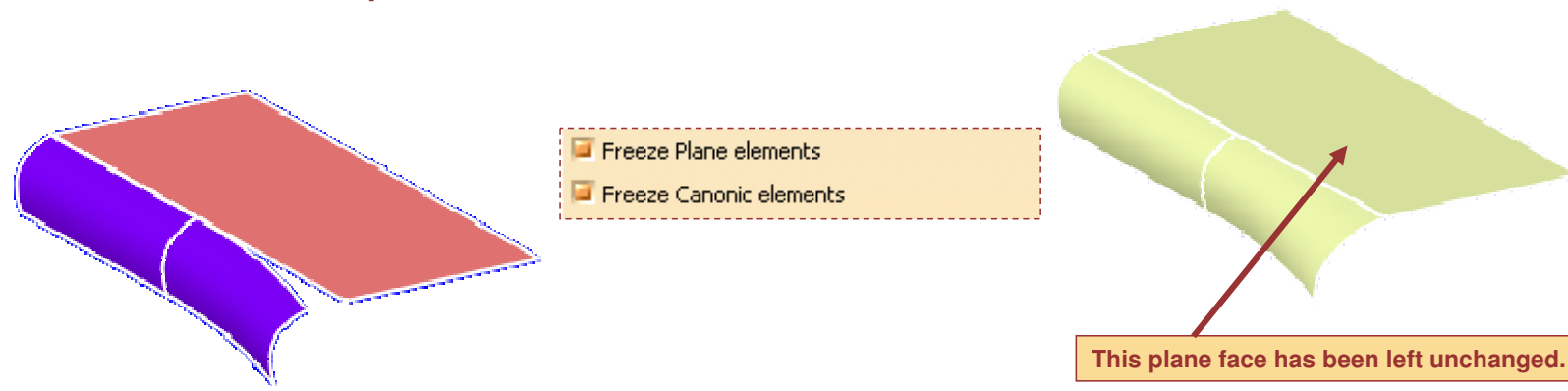
Additional Information on healing (1/2)

While healing surfaces, you can freeze some faces for them not to be modified by the healing operation.

You can choose to freeze any face you want ...



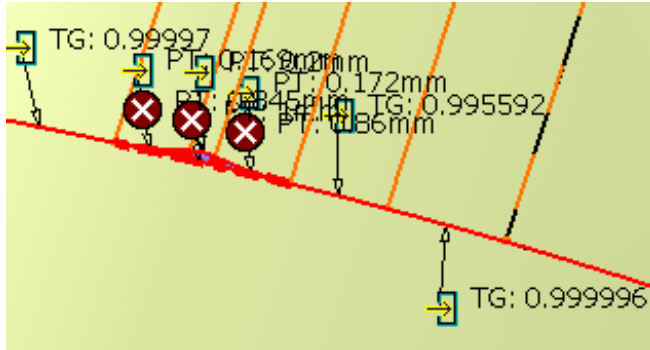
... or choose to freeze plane elements or canonic elements.



Student Notes:

Additional Information on healing (2/2)

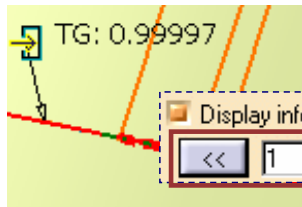
You can visualize a diagnosis while healing surfaces



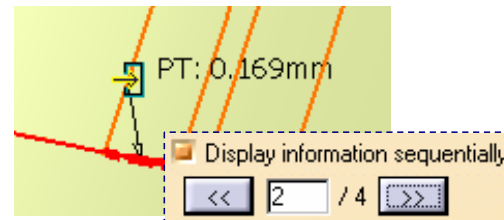
You can choose to visualize the discontinuities interactively, placing the mouse on the discontinuity to make the text box appear :



You can also display the information sequentially :

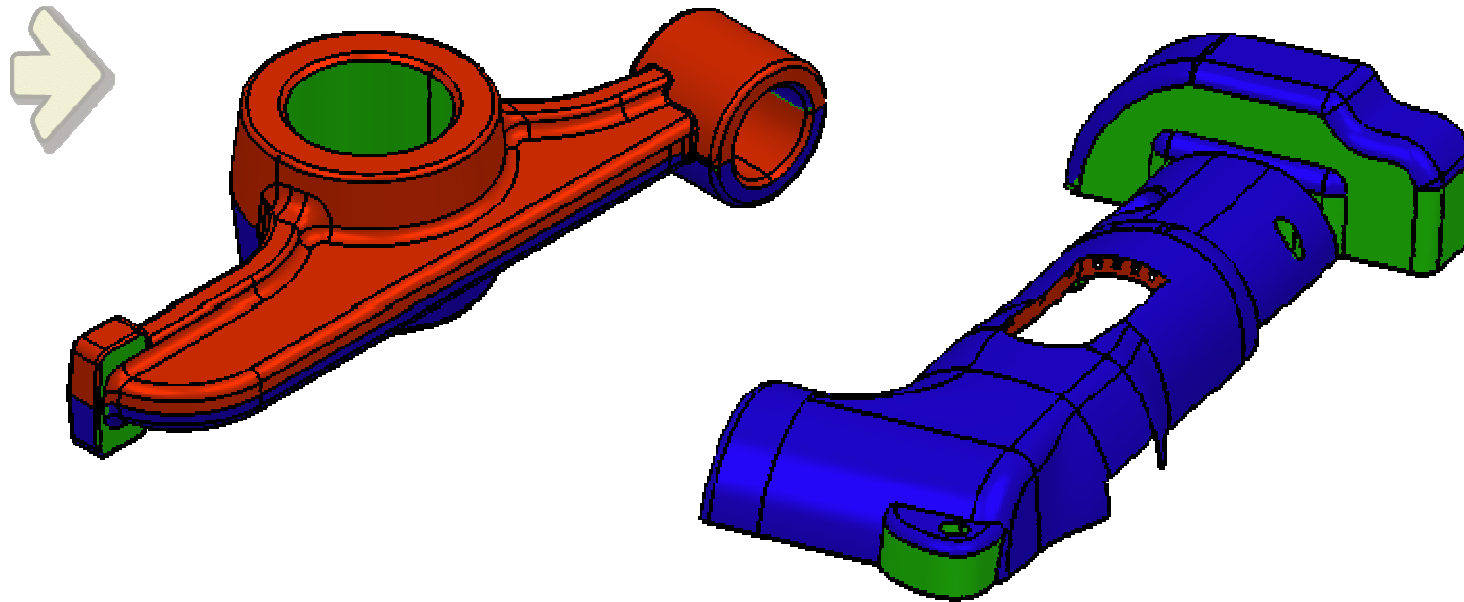


The total number of discontinuities is displayed.



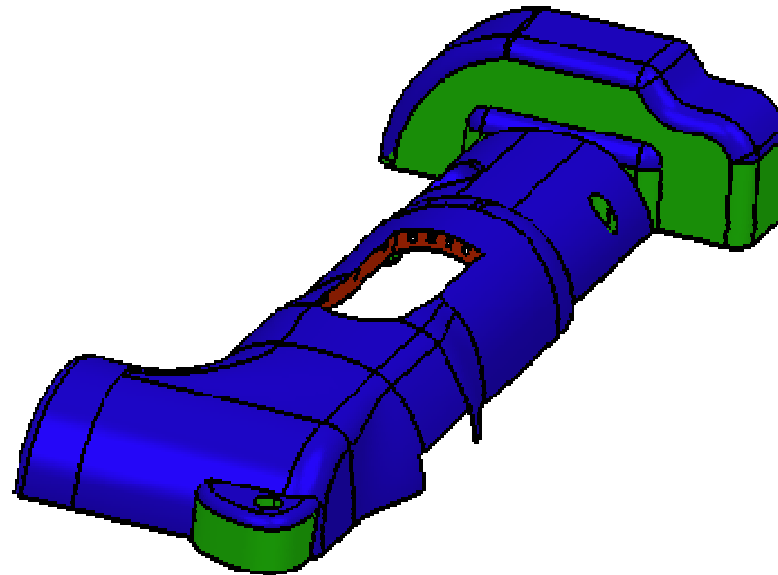
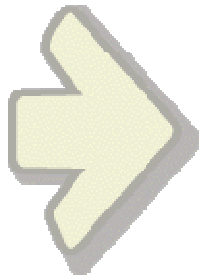
Checking Molded Parts

You will learn about tools, commonly used while creating a Molded Parts.



Draft Analysis

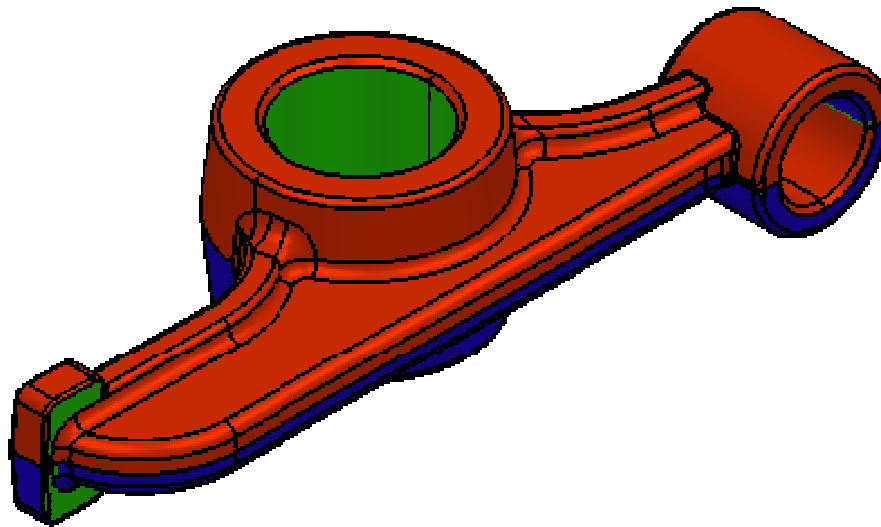
You will learn how to use the Draft Analysis tool to analyze the draft values of surfaces or solids



Why Analyze Draft?

Cast and Forged parts need dies and molds for manufacturing. While doing the die/mold design, draft allowances are required to be given so that the parts can be extracted. Drafts need to be analyzed to determine extractability of the part.

For NC Machining, a part is analyzed to look for negative Draft angles in order to determine if a 5-Axis NC machine will be required to cut the part.



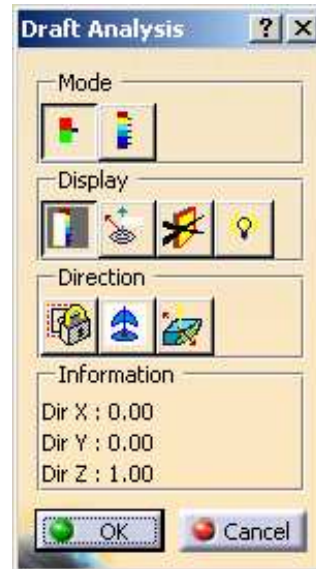
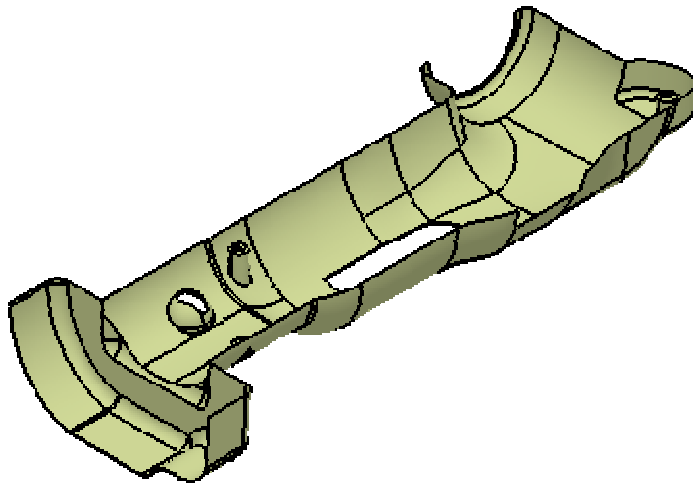
Using the Draft Analysis Tool (1/5)

1 Select the customized view render style : 

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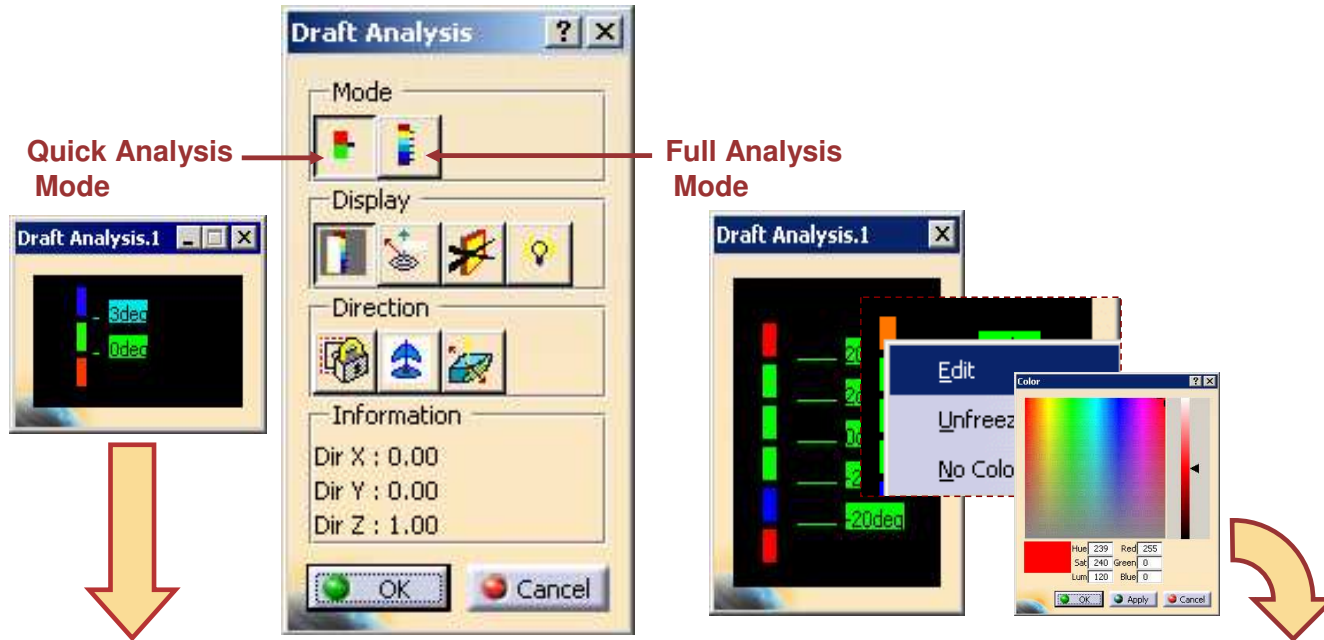
Select the Draft Analysis tool

3 Select the surface to be analysed



Using the Draft Analysis Tool (2/5)

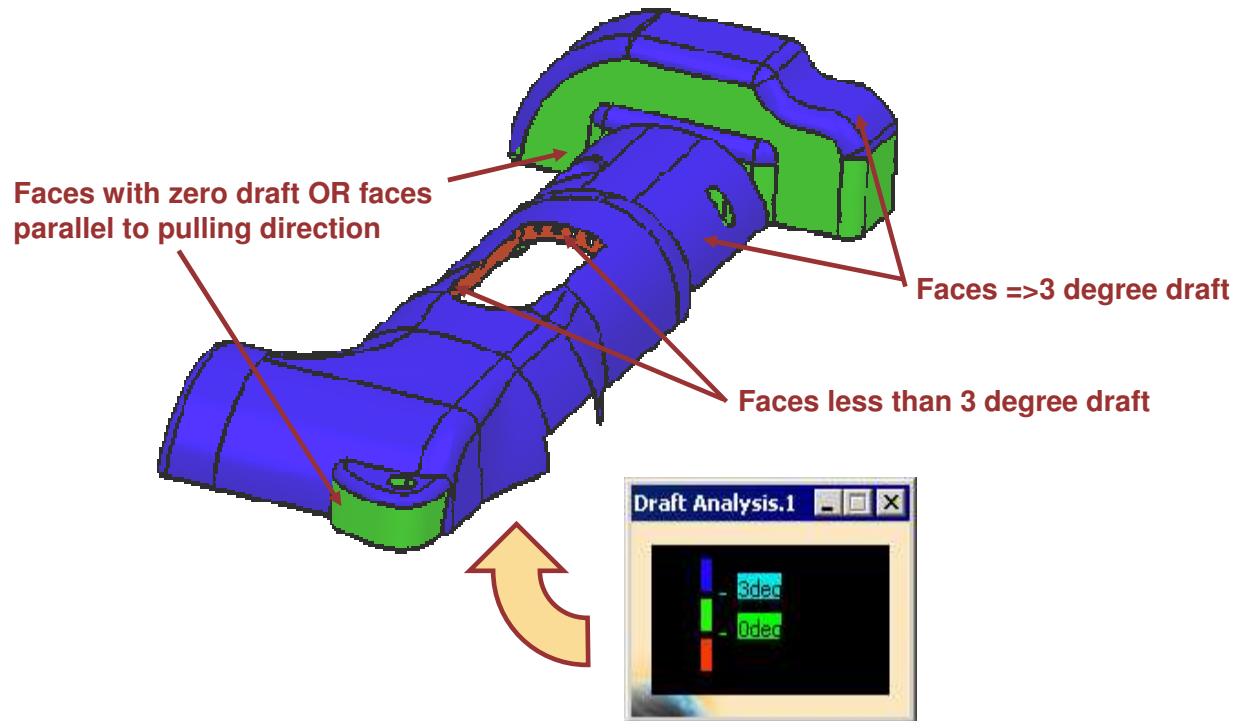
4 Choose the quick analysis mode or the full analysis mode :



In quick analysis, you can set three parameters showing positive, Negative and zero (neutral) angle and assign the colors to these parameters for a quick view of a draft angle in a part

You can modify the thresholds values and the corresponding colours by right-clicking on them. This way, you can adjust the colour range fields.

Using the Draft Analysis Tool (3/5)

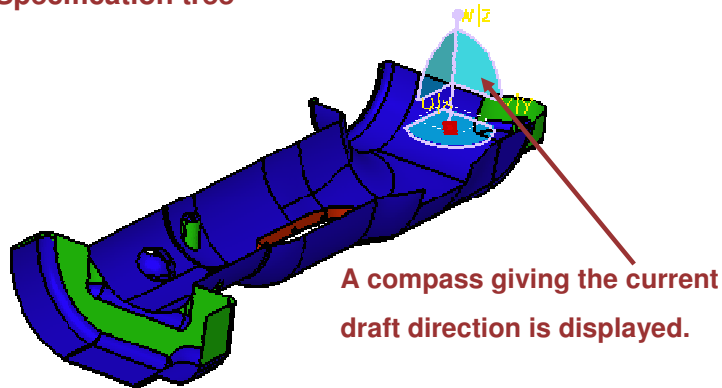


You can Visually analyze the part based on the color assigned with an angle value. A range of colors can be assigned to visualize the varying draft angle.

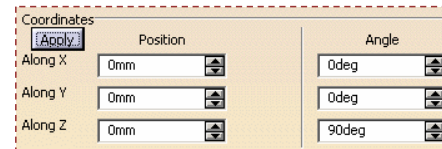
Using the Draft Analysis Tool (4/5)

5 You have now to adjust the draft direction. In the dialog box, select 

6 Select OK to keep the history of the analysis in to the Specification tree



A compass giving the current draft direction is displayed.



You can edit the compass proprieties to precisely define the draft direction.



Lock or unlock draft direction

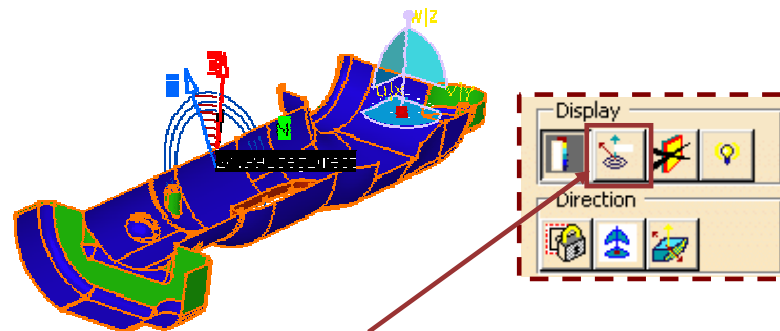
Set the compass to draft direction

The Blue plane is the plane tangent to the analyzed surface at this point..

Arrows are displayed under the pointer.

Green arrow is the direction normal to the surface, the Red arrow represent draft direction.

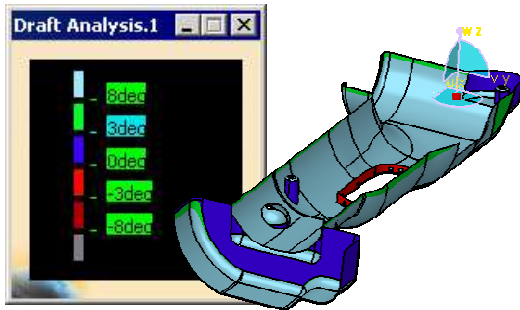
The displayed value indicates the angle between the draft direction and the normal vector to the surface at the current point.



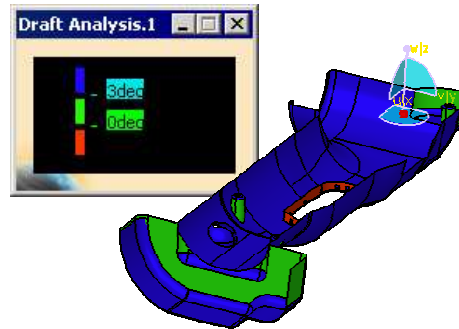
Analyses under the running point, so you can navigate with the pointer over the surface

Student Notes:

Using the Draft Analysis Tool (5/5)



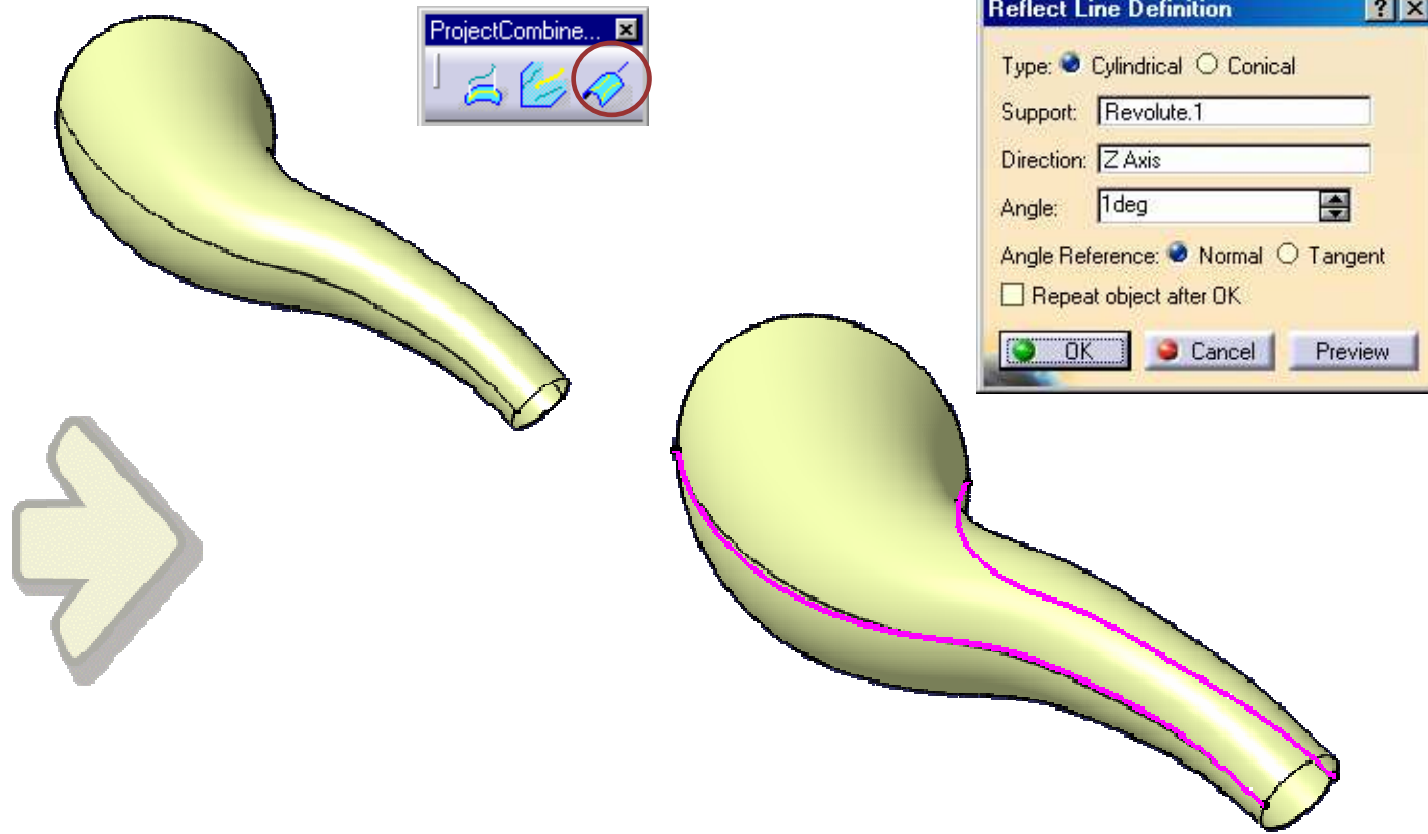
Results of full Draft analysis



Results of Quick Draft analysis

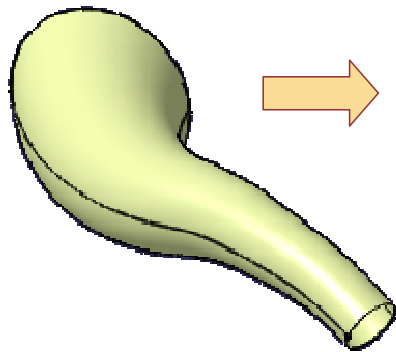
Reflect Line

You will learn what a Reflect Line is and how to create it.

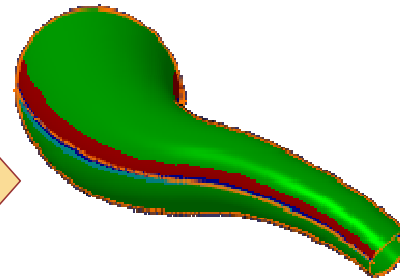


What is a Reflect Line

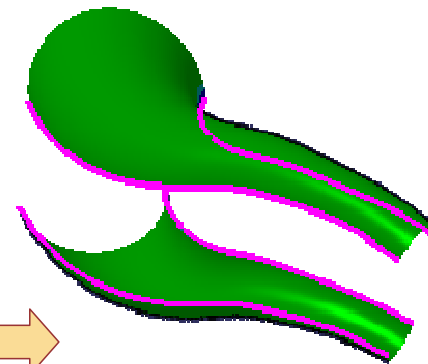
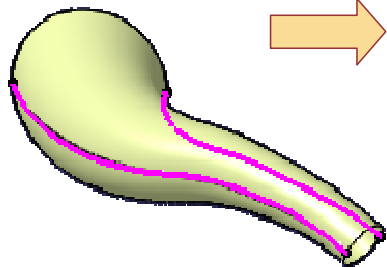
Reflect lines are curves for which the normal to the support surface in each point presents the same angle with a specified direction. It is very useful to find the parting plane of a complex surface.



If we perform a Draft analysis on this part, we can see, thanks to the red areas that the part is non extractible.



Thanks to the Reflect Line curve, we can cut the part in two extractible parts.



Student Notes:

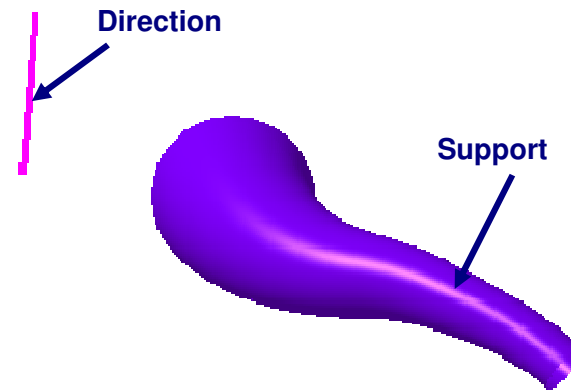
Creating a Reflect Line



2 Select a support surface and a direction.

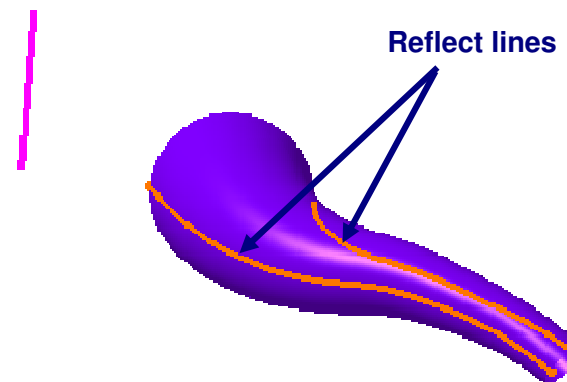
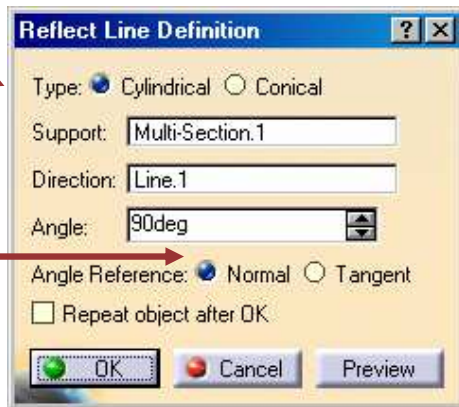


You can define one of the X,Y or Z axis by opening a contextual menu in the Direction field.



3 Key in an angle representing the value between the selected direction and the normal to the surface.

You can select the Normal option for the angle to be computed between the normal to the support and the direction.



4 Click OK to confirm reflect line creation

Summary (1/3)

Congratulations

You have become familiar with Advanced tools of Generative Shape Design.
You have learnt different tools from different lessons as follows:

Lesson 1: Introduction to Surface Design

- ◆ Revised the Surface Design basic tools which are covered under Fundamental course.
- ◆ Overviewed the Generative Shape Design Workbench.
- ◆ Learnt more about Managing Features and Geometrical Sets.
- ◆ Finally performed the a recap exercise 'Managing features' and 'Shampoo Bottle'.

Lesson 2: Creating Advance Wireframe Geometry

- ◆ Learnt GSD Similarities for MD2/HD2 configurations.
- ◆ Learnt creating an Extremum, Connect Curve.
- ◆ Performed recap exercise on 'Advance Wireframe Geometry'.



Summary (2/3)

Lesson 3: Wireframe Analysis and Repair

- ◆ Learnt the need to analyze the wireframe.
- ◆ Learnt about Connect Checker and Smoothing Curves.
- ◆ Performed the a recap exercise on 'Wireframe Analysis and Repair'.

Lesson 4: Creating Advance Swept Surface

- ◆ Learnt about 'Swept Surface', 'Inputs for Swept Surface', 'Different methods of creating Swept Surface', 'Adaptive Swept Surface'.
- ◆ Performed two recap exercise 'Knob' and 'Housing'.

Lesson 5: Creating Advance Blend Surface

- ◆ Learnt about 'Blend Surface', 'Types of Surface', 'Creating fillets using Hold curve and Spine', 'Creating Fillet using Law'.
- ◆ Performed recap exercise 'Advance Blending Surface'.



Summary (3/3)

Lesson 6: Surface Analysis and Repair

- ◆ Learnt the need to analyze the Surface.
- ◆ Learnt about Curvature Analysis.
- ◆ Performed the a recap exercise on 'Surface Analysis'.

Lesson 7: Additional Surface Design Tools

- ◆ Learnt about other surface Design tools which are commonly used to improve the quality and stability of the surface and wireframe geometry.
- ◆ Also learnt about tools used to measure the molded parts in virtual mode such as Draft analysis and reflect line which helps the tool designer to decide the parting line and manufacturability.

Master Exercise: You have performed the Master Exercise at the end of the each lessons to practice the tools learnt in each lesson.

