

NX Durability Wizard

Quick predictions of product life and fatigue damage

Benefits

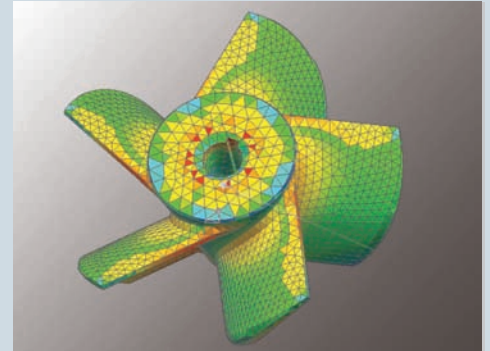
- Improves robustness by predicting the life of product designs and determining which design features are over- or under-designed
- Reduces physical testing costs by allowing you to analyze product life in a virtual environment
- Accelerates product design by allowing designers to quickly perform what-if “re-analysis” of new designs to understand the impact of changes on product durability

Features

- Guides you in steps required to perform durability analysis; available as add-on module to NX Design Simulation and Advanced Simulation
- Leverages geometry associativity, enabling you to quickly evaluate the impact of changing geometrical features on fatigue resistance
- Supports stress (high cycle) and strain (low-cycles) approaches

Summary

NX™ Durability Wizard guides you in validating your product’s structural integrity over its entire lifecycle. NX Durability Wizard is an add-on module to either NX Design Simulation or NX Advanced Simulation that uses stresses or strains from static solutions to examine product durability, helping you to establish which parts are over- or under-designed. Contour plots of fatigue life and safety factors make it easy to understand durability issues.



A simple and flexible way to predict a product’s strength and durability
Structural fatigue analysis is used to predict design life and durability. Designers and structural analysts can check whether in-service loadings are likely to cause early failure in parts subjected to cyclic loads.

The NX Durability Wizard provides an intuitive, guided process for designers and less experienced CAE users, enabling them to predict the strength and fatigue safety of products subjected to prescribed cyclic loading.

The wizard guides you through these simple steps to assess durability of your model:

1. *Choose the structural solution containing the loading conditions.* You can use linear stress or strain results in static solutions from NX Nastran, MSC Nastran, Abaqus or ANSYS.
2. *Define the cyclic loadings that define the duty cycle of the part over its lifetime.* Parameters you can define include number of cycles, scaling factor, and loading pattern.
3. *Define the results you wish to compute.* You can compute static safety factors, fatigue safety factors and fatigue life.
4. *Define durability parameters and launch the durability solution.* You can select the fatigue criterion you want for the fatigue life calculation: Smith-Watson-Topper, strain or stress life.

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Features *continued*

- Supports stress results from NX Nastran, MSC Nastran, Abaqus or ANSYS
- Displays fatigue life, damage and safety factors as contour plots
- Produces a durability report
- Enables NX Advanced Durability to re-use events automatically created by the Durability Wizard

5. Display contour plots on your FE model.

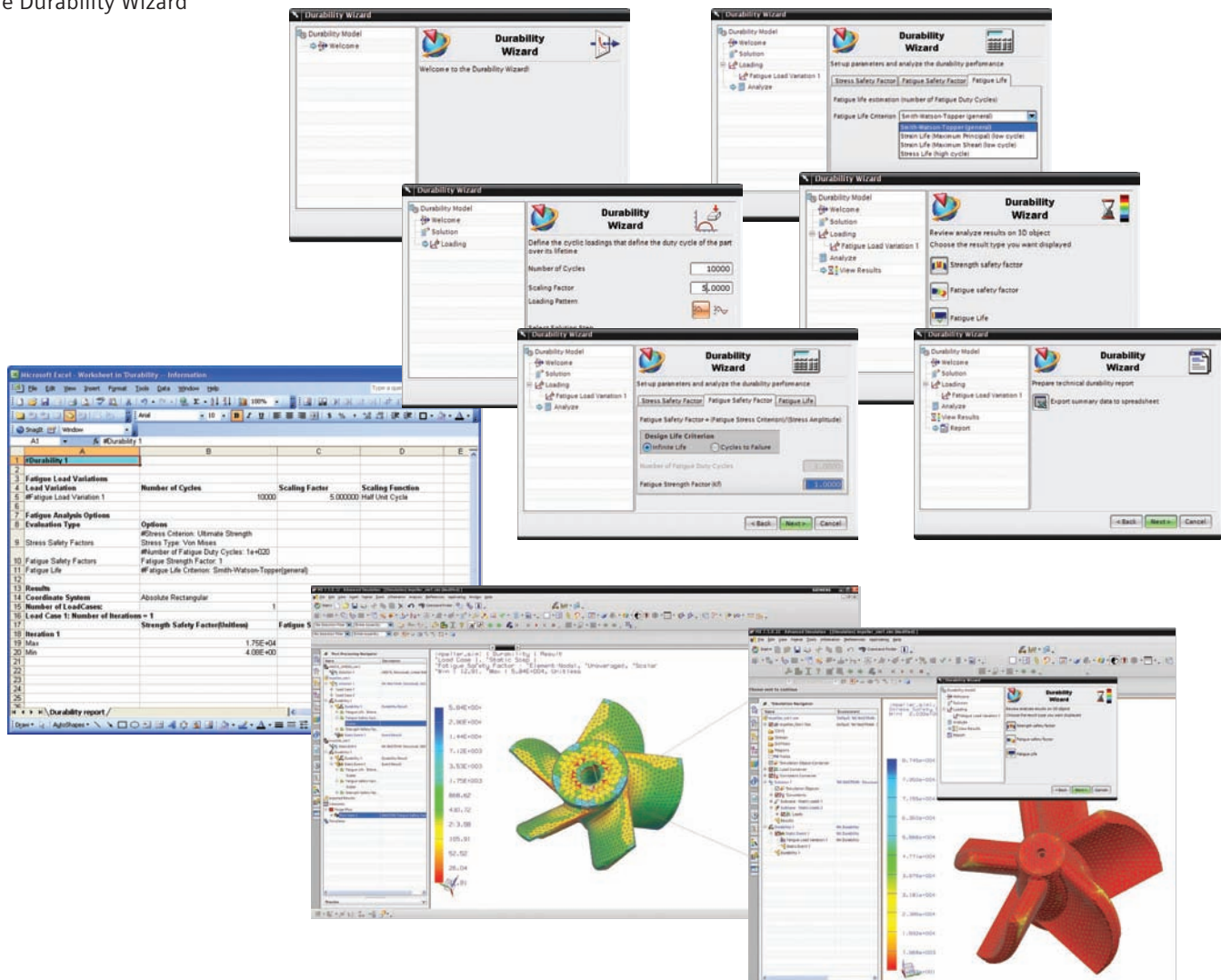
You can display contour plots for strength safety factor, fatigue safety factor or fatigue life.

6. Prepare a technical durability report.

You can export results to an Excel spreadsheet for further evaluation or to share with other members in your organization.

7. Save time with "what-if" re-designs.

The durability solution remains associated to your model and geometry, allowing you to re-run the solution with different durability criteria so you can see their effects on your product. Furthermore, as your design changes, you can easily re-run your durability analyses to see how your design changes impact durability performance.



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