

A long-exposure photograph of a city at night, showing a complex multi-level highway interchange with light trails from cars. In the background, a dense urban skyline is visible, featuring several prominent skyscrapers, including the Oriental Pearl Tower on the right. The sky is dark with some clouds, and the city lights create a vibrant, colorful scene.

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LNG Tank Design Checks

The LNG Tank System carries out design checks to supported design codes for specified load combinations.

Its use requires the **MicroSoft Excel** spreadsheet application to be installed in advance for full functionality as certain applications may use it during the design or reporting process. For example, the Wizard imports the spreadsheet template for design load combinations.

Due to the low temperature of LNG, a thermal analysis requiring solid elements has to be performed and this often causes difficulties for load combinations that are based on structural results when the structural analysis is performed using shell elements. The LNG Tank System imports the temperatures and temperature gradients that are obtained from thermal analysis using solid elements into shell elements and allows all required load combinations to be assembled in a single model, to enable design check results to be obtained in an efficient way.

This manual focuses on the procedures involved in performing design checks using the LNG Tank System. A separate manual titled 'LNG Tank System: Part 1 – Tank Wizard' provides details of modelling concepts used to build the range of models supported.

User inputs shown in the manual 'LNG Tank System: Part 1 – Tank Wizard' are used in this manual unless otherwise stated.

Base Model

Preparations

User Inputs

Select the menu item **LNG Tank > Tank Definition...**

The required user inputs for this model are as marked in [Fig1]

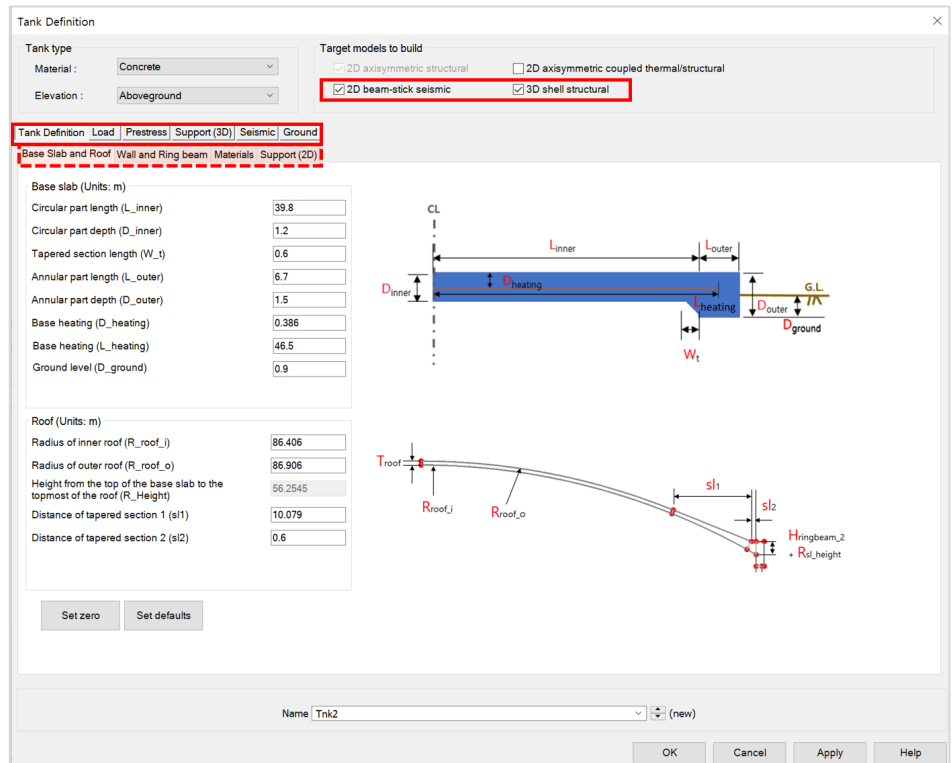


Fig 1 User Input for a Base model for design check

Base Model

Tank Definition

Tank type

Material: Concrete

Elevation: Aboveground

Target models to build

2D axisymmetric structural

2D beam-stick seismic

2D axisymmetric coupled thermal/structural

3D shell structural

Tank Definition | Load | Prestress | Support (3D) | Seismic | Ground

Inner Tank Properties | Non-Structural Masses | Lumped Foundation

Roof	Ring Beam	Wall	Base Slab	Inner Steel Tank
Descriptions				
Mass [kg]				
Roof Liner + steel Roof Structure				
1.4E6				
Suspended deck & insulation of the suspended ceiling				
135.0E3				
Roof nozzles				
42.0E3				
Roof platform				
400.0E3				
Roof pump & crane				
30.0E3				
Roof piping and support				
103.0E3				
Others				
0.0				
Total				
2.11E6				

Set zero Set defaults

Name Tnk2 (new)

OK Cancel Apply Help

Fig 2 User Inputs for a Base model for design check including non-structural masses to Eigenvalue Analysis

To include non-structural masses to eigenvalue analysis, 2D beam-stick seismic option should be ticked and non-structural masses should be defined.

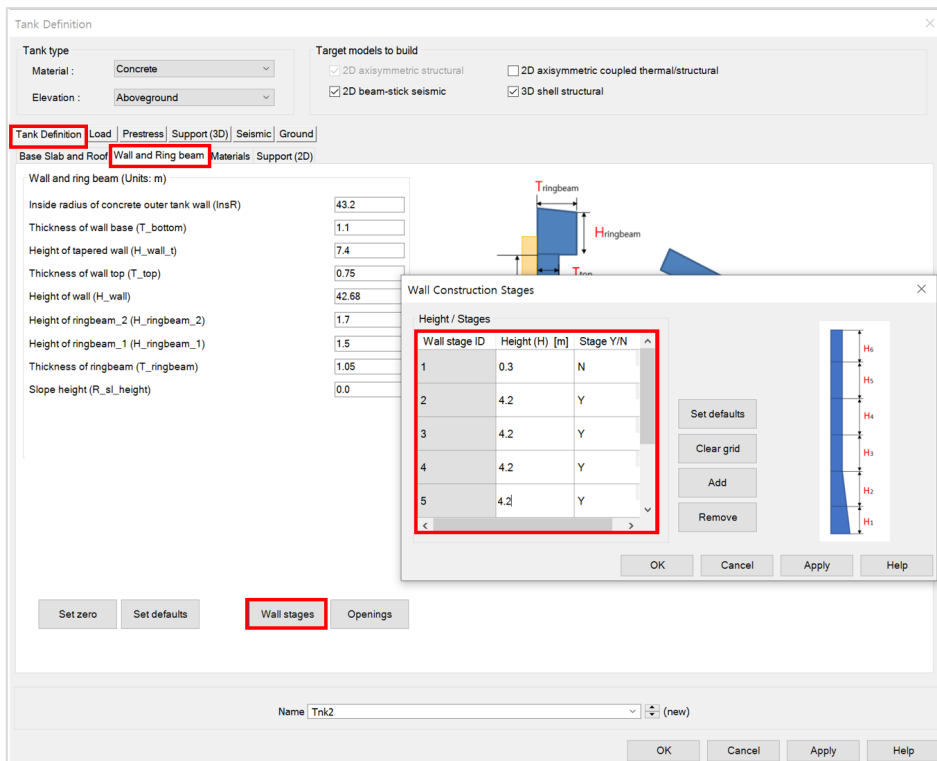


Fig 3 User Inputs for a Base model for design check including wall stages to Staged construction/ CRSH Analysis

To include wall stages to Staged construction/ CRSH analysis, Wall construction stages should be defined.

Following user inputs should be defined.

- ❑ **Height(H) [m]** : inputs the height of each wall lot. This value should be a positive.
- ❑ **Stage Y/N** : input 'Y' if a separate stage should be created for the wall lot in the model. Otherwise input 'N'. However, if the input value is 'N' for wall ID "1", it is assumed that the wall lot 1 is activated together with the base annular part as shown in the Fig 4 The stage of activating wall lot 1 when 'N' for 'Staged Y/N'.

Base Model



Fig 4 The stage of activating wall lot 1 when 'N' for 'Staged Y/N'

Description	Opening 1	Opening 2
Openings width (Wo)	0	0
PS free length (Wgap)	0	0
Opening elevation (H1)	0	0
Opening height (H2)	0	0
PS free height (H)	0	0

Fig 5 User Inputs for a Base model for design check including openings to Staged construction/ CRSH Analysis

To include openings to Staged construction/ CRSH analysis, 'Openings' should be defined.

Complete all the inputs and click **OK** to save the data with the name 'Tnk1'.

A Reinforcement and Prestress tendon arrangement is not required to build the corresponding model.

Build Base Model

The Base Model for a design check can be built by selecting the menu item **LNG Tank > Create 3D Shell Model...**

LNG Tank - Base Model for Design Check

Tank definition data: Tnk1

Model filename: Example

Saved model file path: C:\Users\ohsso\Documents\LUSAS200\Projects\Example.mdl

Modeling options:

Element size (m): 2.0

Number of eigenvalue: 10

Half symmetric model

Include temporary opening

Include non-structural masses in the eigenvalue analysis

Concrete Tank Options:

Buttress:

Number of buttress: 4

Extruded thickness: 1.0 (m)

Buttress width: 5.0 (m)

Roof / Ringbeam:

Roof construction plan: Single layered roof 1

Roof first stage thickness (ratio): 0.5

Initial prestress for ringbeam (ratio): 0.5

Initial prestress for base slab (ratio): 0.5

Construction Scenario - Single layered roof 1:

- 1 - Base / Wall / Ringbeam
- 2 - Ringbeam 1st PS
- 3 - Roof frame 1/ Inner work
- 4 - Roof frames 2,3
- 5 - Roof wet / Roof complete
- 6 - Ringbeam 2nd PS
- 7 - Wall vertical PS
- 8 - Wall horizontal PS

OK Cancel Help

Fig 6 LNG Tank for a Base Model for Design Check

Roof construction plan

4 options are available which are ‘Single layered roof 1’, ‘Single layered roof 2’, ‘Layered roof option 1’ and ‘Layered roof option 2’, based on the construction plan for the roof. The description under ‘Construction scenario’ group box will be updated upon the selection change.

Roof first stage thickness (ratio)

The roof thickness for 1st build will vary according to this value in the staged construction analysis model.

Initial prestress for ringbeam (ratio)

The % of ringbeam PS that will be applied when the construction scenario is 'Ringbeam 1st PS'.

Initial prestress for base slab (ratio)

The % of base slab PS that will be applied when the construction scenario is 'Base slab 1st PS'.

- Enter the model file name, and set the element size to **2.0**. The other values as shown in [Fig 6].
- Enter **10** for **Number of Eigenvalues**. Tick the 'Include non-structural masses' checkbox to include non-structural masses to eigenvalue analysis.
- Select 4 for Number of buttresses, 1 for Extrude thickness and 5 for Buttress width.
- Roof construction plan is set to '**Single layered roof 1**'. **Initial prestress for ringbeam** is set to **0.5** and **Initial prestress for base slab** is set to **0.5**. Initial Prestress amount for Ringbeam and Base slab will also vary at the 'Ringbeam 1st PS (staged)' and 'Baseslab 1st PS (staged)' in staged construction analysis model.

Mesh

The elements as shown below, with a maximum element size less than 2.0m as per user input. Quadratic shell elements (QTS8) are used.

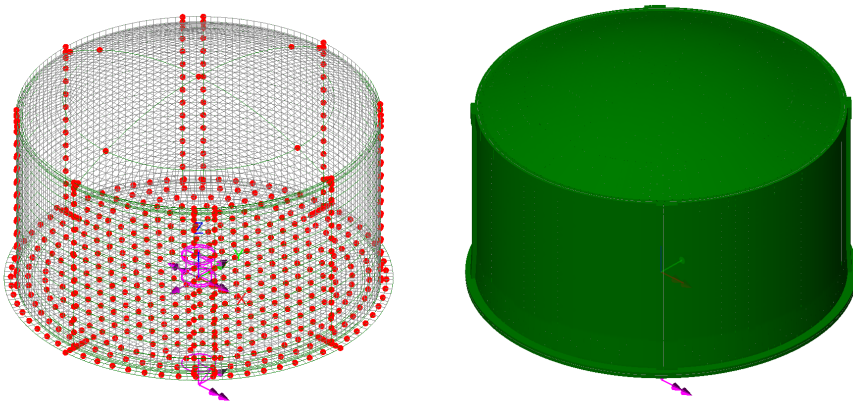


Fig 7 Mesh Arrangement and Geometric Properties for a Base Model for Design Check

The element local axis can be displayed as shown below. The wizard produces elements having a local x axis in the horizontal direction for the Wall and Roof. The element shape in the Slab cannot be regular due to the variable pile arrangement hence the local axis of the elements for the Slab is not consistent.

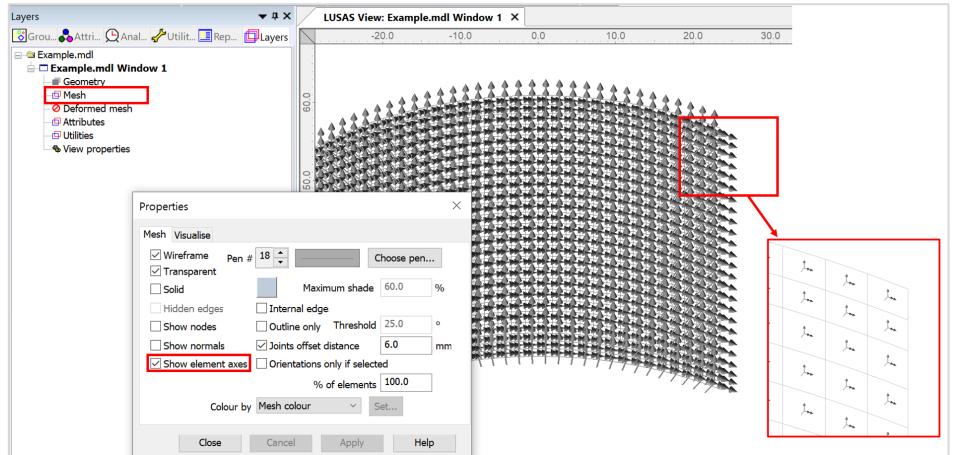



Fig 8 Element Local Axis in a Base model for design check

Geometric Properties

Geometric properties are defined as per user inputs illustrates how properties were defined for varying sections at the edge of the roof. The **variation dataset** can be reviewed from the Utilities  treeview.

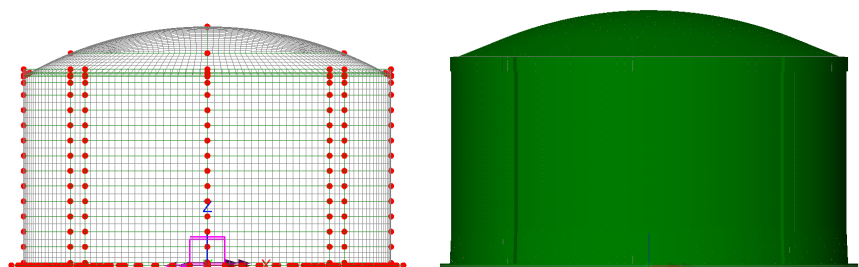


Fig 9 3D Shell Model for Base model for design check

Base Model

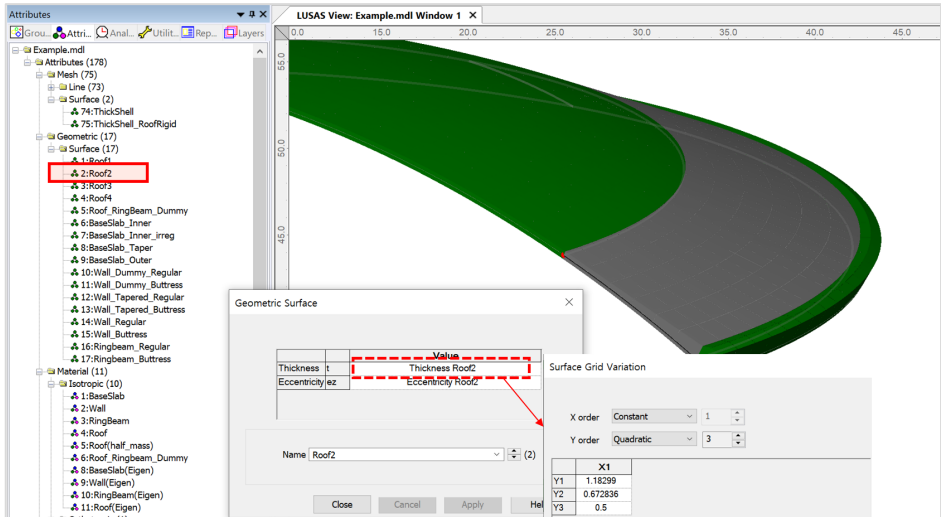


Fig 10 Geometric Properties for Roof in Base model for design check

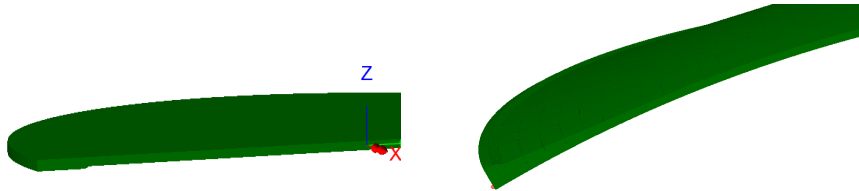


Fig 11 3D Shell Model Thickness Variation at Roof and Slab

Buttresses

Buttresses can be included in the model with separate surfaces accepting separate geometric and material properties. The number of buttresses that can be defined is 0, 2, 3, 4 or 6.

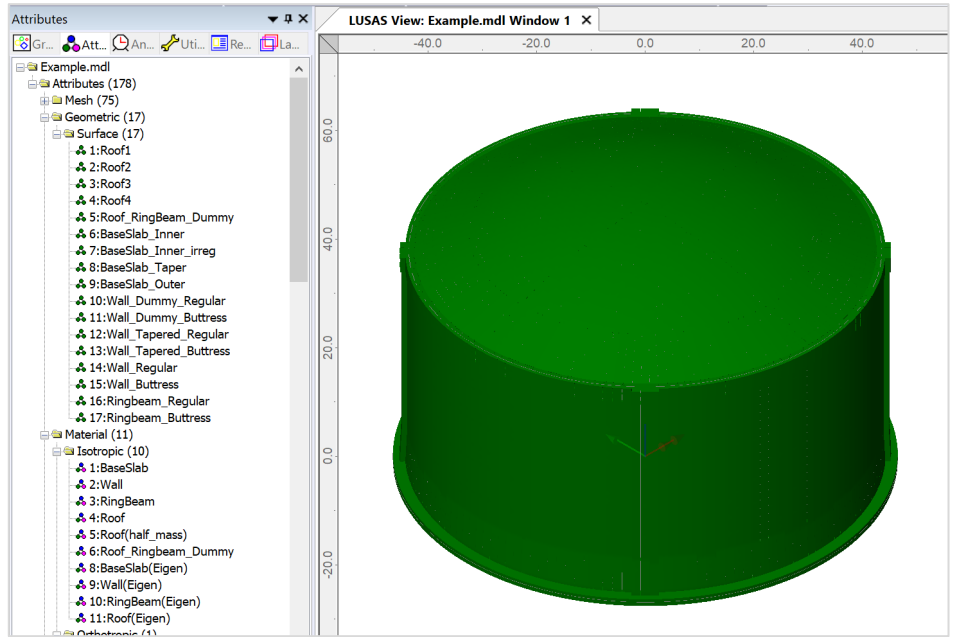


Fig 12 Base Model for Design Check including buttresses

Base Model

LNG Tank - Base Model for Design Check

Tank definition data: Tnk1

Model filename: Example

Saved model file path: C:\Users\lohso\Documents\LUSAS200\Projects\Example.mdl

Modeling options

Element size (m): 2.0

Number of eigenvalue: 10

Half symmetric model

Include temporary opening

Include non-structural masses in the eigenvalue analysis

Concrete Tank Options

Buttress

Number of buttress: 4

Extruded thickness: 1.0 (m)

Buttress width: 5.0 (m)

Roof / Ringbeam

Roof construction plan: Single layered roof 1

Roof first stage thickness (ratio): 0.5

Initial prestress for ringbeam (ratio): 0.5

Initial prestress for base slab (ratio): 0.5

Construction Scenario - Single layered roof 1

- 1 - Base / Wall / Ringbeam
- 2 - Ringbeam 1st PS
- 3 - Roof frame 1/ Inner work
- 4 - Roof frames 2,3
- 5 - Roof wet / Roof complete
- 6 - Ringbeam 2nd PS
- 7 - Wall vertical PS
- 8 - Wall horizontal PS

OK Cancel Help

Fig 13 User Input for the Number of Buttresses in a Base model for design check

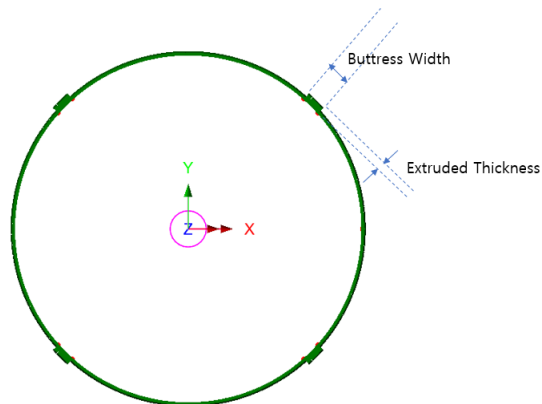


Fig 14 Buttress Definition for a 3D Shell Model

Groups and Materials

The main groups created are named Roof, Wall, and BaseSlab. Two sets of dummy elements, which work as rigid links between the Roof and Ringbeam, and Wall and BaseSlab., are grouped separately, to aid with results-processing.

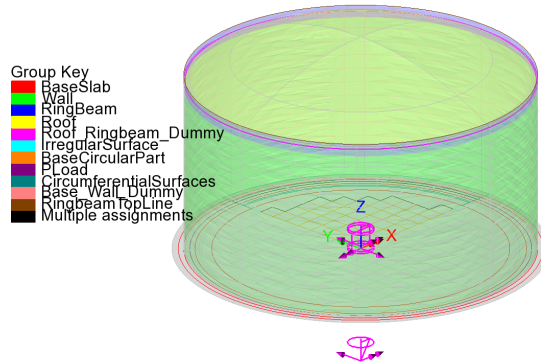


Fig 15 Groups in a 3D Shell Model

After user input, material properties are assigned to relevant members.

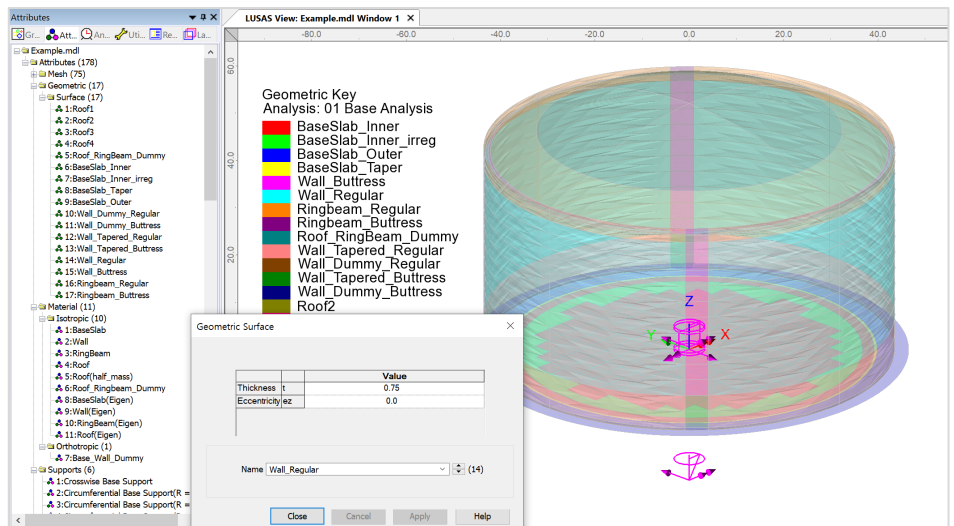


Fig 16 Material Assignments in a 3D Shell Model

Support Conditions

Three different types of support conditions can be defined from Support(3D) tab in Tank Definition.

Use Support (2D) conditions

This option is only available when either 'Fixed Support' or 'Regular Support' is set for Support type in Supports(2D) > Tank Definition. The same support condition defined in Support (2D) will be defined and assigned to Base model for design check.

Regular Support

The regular stiffness (stiffness per unit area) must be stated. A spring support will be assigned to all the bottom line of slab.

If '3D shell structural' option is chosen in Tank Definition, following two options are available.

Simplified foundation

The stiffness of each pile should be defined as shown in [Fig]. The spring support will be assigned to each of pile locations. The Wizard accepts two sets of support stiffness (horizontal and vertical); one for crosswise piles and the other for circumferential piles. If the pile stiffness is different for each pile location due to the ground condition, it can be modified from the Modeller interface by defining different support conditions. If the crosswise pile coordinates are zero, then the model does not include crosswise piles and only includes circumferential piles.

The spring stiffnesses are converted into N/m unit in LUSAS Modeller.

Detailed foundation

The stiffness of each pile should be defined as shown in [Fig 21]. The spring support will be assigned to each of pile locations. The Wizard accepts two sets of support stiffness (horizontal and vertical); one for crosswise piles and the other for circumferential piles. If the pile stiffness is different for each pile location due to the ground condition, it can be modified from the Modeller interface by defining different support conditions. If the crosswise pile coordinates are zero, then the model does not include crosswise piles and only includes circumferential piles.

The spring stiffnesses are converted into N/m unit in LUSAS Modeller.

Tank Definition

Tank type
 Material : Concrete
 Elevation : Aboveground

Target models to build
 2D axisymmetric structural
 2D axisymmetric coupled thermal/structural
 2D beam-stick seismic
 3D shell structural

Tank Definition | Load | Prestress | **Support (3D)** | Seismic | Ground

Base Support

Support type
 Simplified foundation

No. cir : 184
 No. cross : 213
 ΣX^2 Cir : 156.1965E3
 ΣX^2 Cross : 63.7157E3

Circumferential Support

ID	R [m]	Initial theta [degree]	Number of piles	Vertical stiffness [kN/m]	Horizontal stiffness [kN/m]
1	36.7	0.0	56	523.018E3	42.297E3
2	40.8	0.0	60	523.018E3	42.297E3
3	44.9	0.0	68	523.018E3	42.297E3

Crosswise support stiffness

Grid wizard

Vertical stiffness [kN/m] 523.018E3 Horizontal stiffness [kN/m] 42.297E3

X coordinates (Units: m)

P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7
0.0	4.2	8.4	12.6	16.8	21.0	25.2
0.0	4.2	8.4	12.6	16.8	21.0	25.2
0.0	4.2	8.4	12.6	16.8	21.0	25.2
0.0	4.2	8.4	12.6	16.8	21.0	25.2

Y coordinates (Units: m)

P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2
-8.4	-8.4	-8.4	-8.4	-8.4	-8.4	-8.4
-12.6	-12.6	-12.6	-12.6	-12.6	-12.6	-12.6
-16.8	-16.8	-16.8	-16.8	-16.8	-16.8	-16.8

Crosswise piles
 Circumferential piles

Name Trnk2 (new)

OK Cancel Apply Help



Base Model

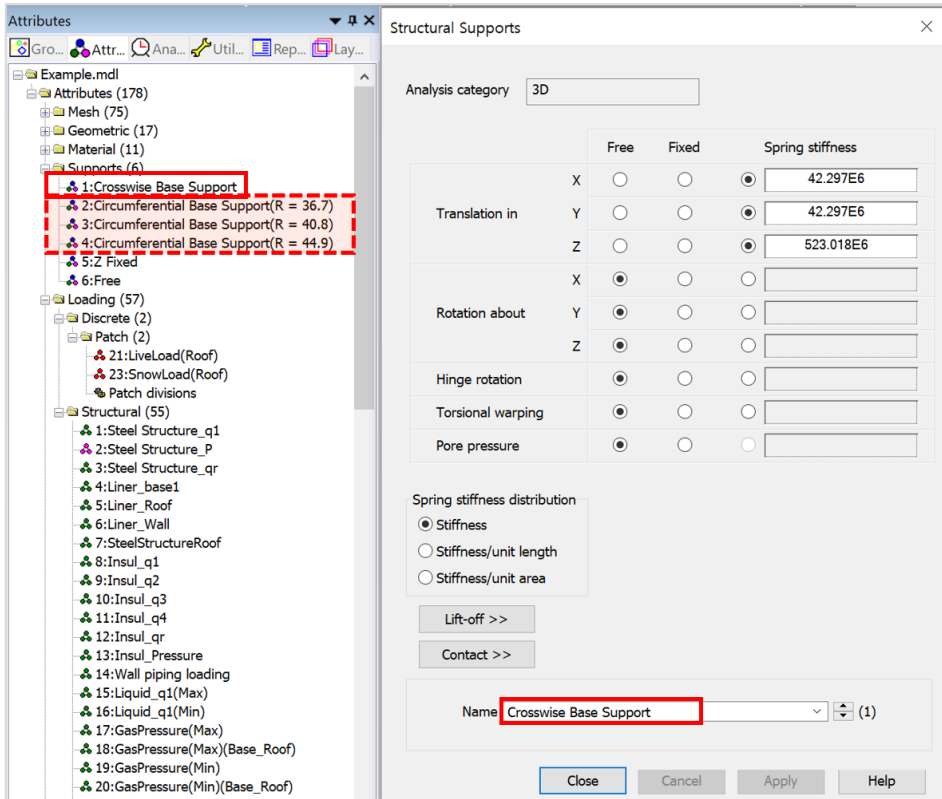


Fig 17 Support Definition in a Base model for design check

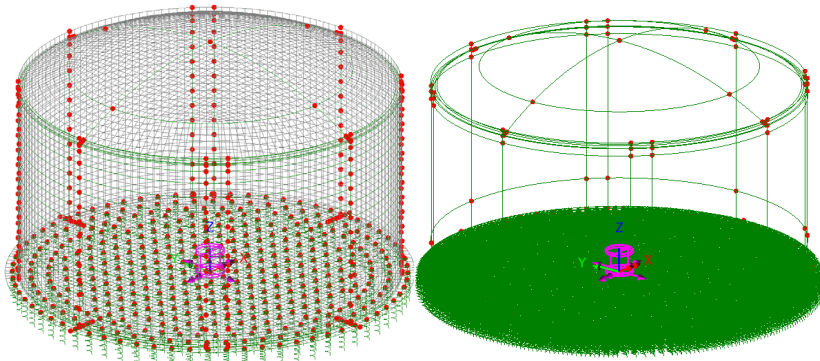


Fig 18 Support Condition for a Base model for design check (Pile Support / Regular Support)

Loadings

28 loadcases are created in a Base model for design check. Wind load can be added after a base model is created. (LNG Tank> Add Loading> Wind...)

LNG Tank - Add wind loading

Design code: EN1991-1-4 (2005)

Design code parameters

Basic wind velocity	37.5	[m/s]
Roughness length	3.0E-3	[m]
Minimum height	1.0	[m]
Orography factor	1.0	
Terrain factor	0.156	
Turbulence factor	1.0	
Air density	1.25	[kg/m ³]

Buttons: Defaults, OK, Cancel, Help

Fig 19 User Input for Wind Load for a Base model for design check

Other Options

Half Only Model

A half model is produced with symmetrical support conditions when the 'Half only model' option is selected.

Base Model

LNG Tank - Base Model for Design Check ×

Tank definition data:

Model filename:

Saved model file path:

Modeling options

Element size (m): Half symmetric model

Number of eigenvalue: Include temporary opening

Include non-structural masses in the eigenvalue analysis

Fig 20 Option for Half Model

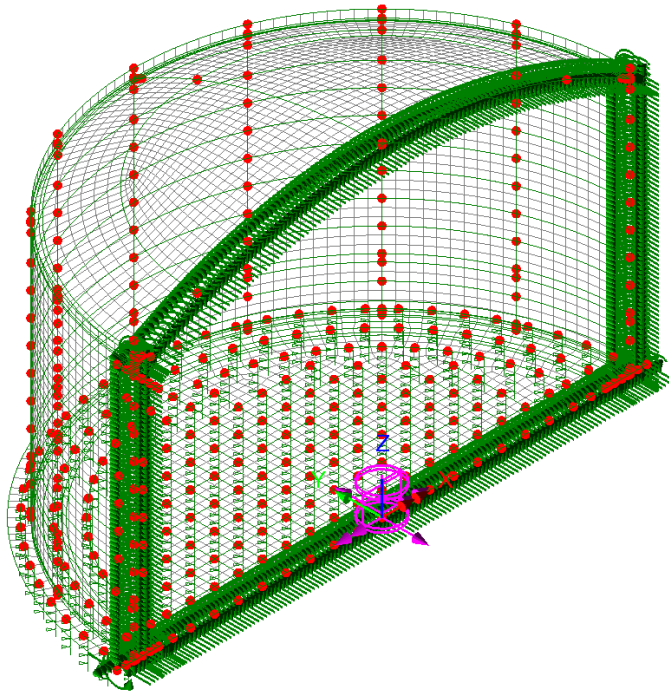


Fig 21 3D Shell Model (Half Model)

Loadings

28 loadcases are defined for the base model for design check.

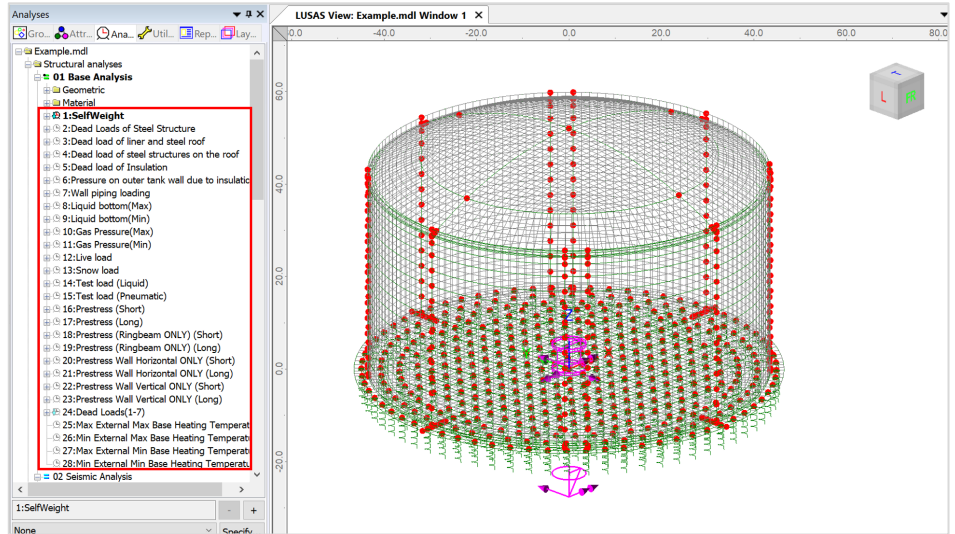


Fig 22 Loadcases Available in a Base model for design check

Self Weight

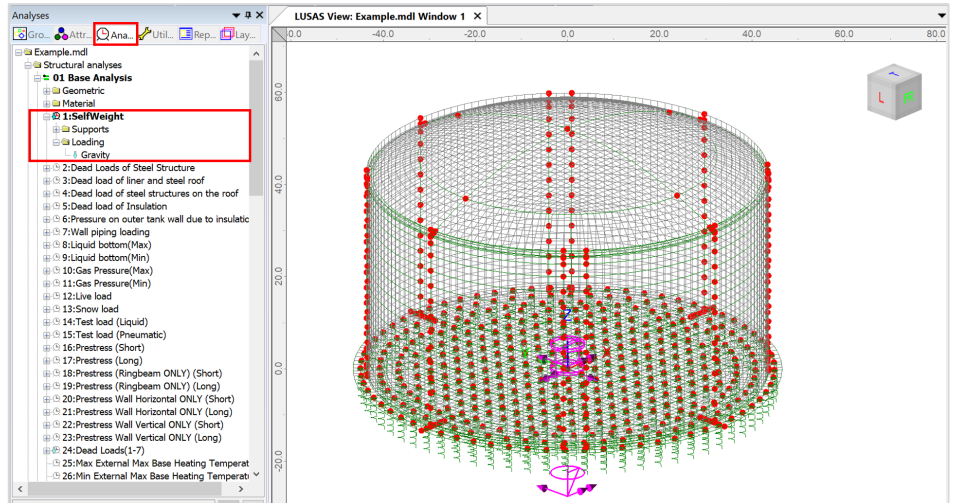


Fig 23 Self Weight in a Base model for design check

Dead Loads of Steel Structure

The dead load of the steel inner tank is defined including wall plate, secondary bottom, bottom plate, annular plate and suspended deck.

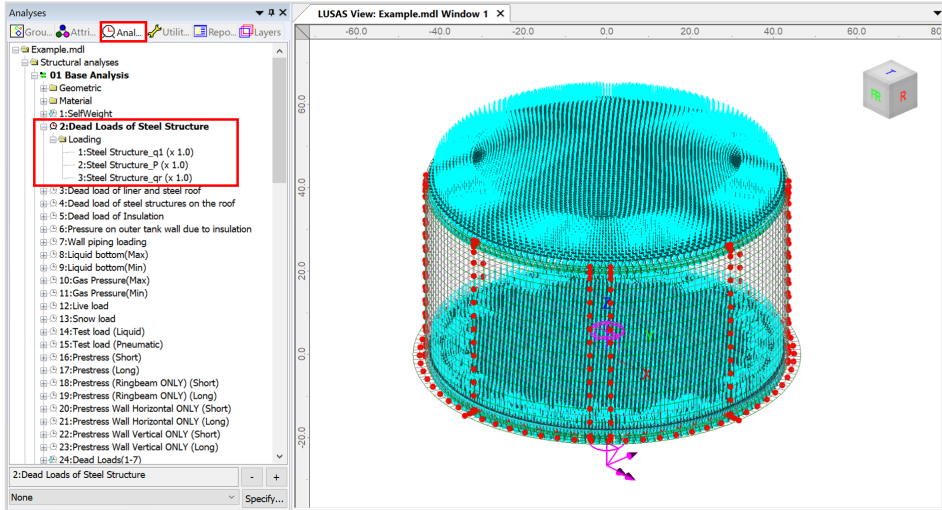


Fig 24 Dead Loads for Steel Structure in a Base model for design check

Dead load of liner and steel roof

The total weight of the roof plate and frame need to be specified to design the roof.

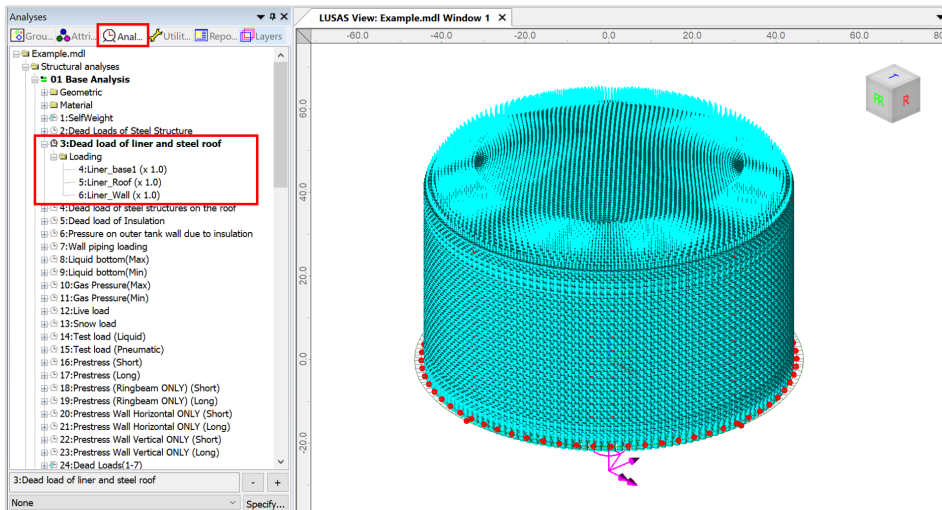


Fig 25 Dead Load of Liner and Steel Roof in a Base model for design check

Dead load of steel structures on the roof

For the design of the outer tank, the loadings due to the steel structure on the roof as well as the pipe work on the roof should be considered as distributed load on the roof.

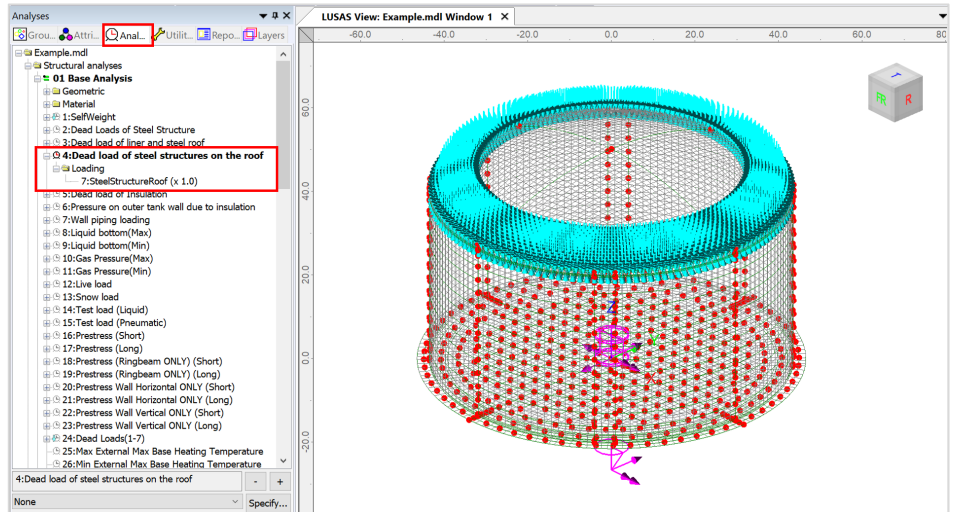


Fig 26 Dead Load of Steel Structures on the Roof in a Base model for design check

Dead load of Insulation

All insulation to the base, wall and suspended deck are defined.

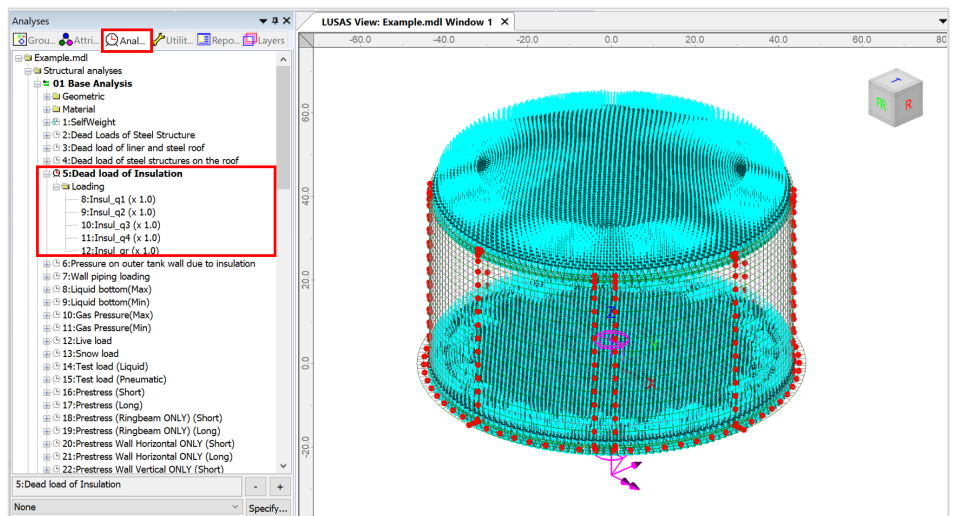


Fig 27 Dead Load of Insulation in a Base model for design check

Base Model

Pressure on outer tank wall due to insulation

The insulation (e.g. loose fill perlite) in the region between the inner tank and outer tank is assumed to exert a horizontal loading on the outer tank.

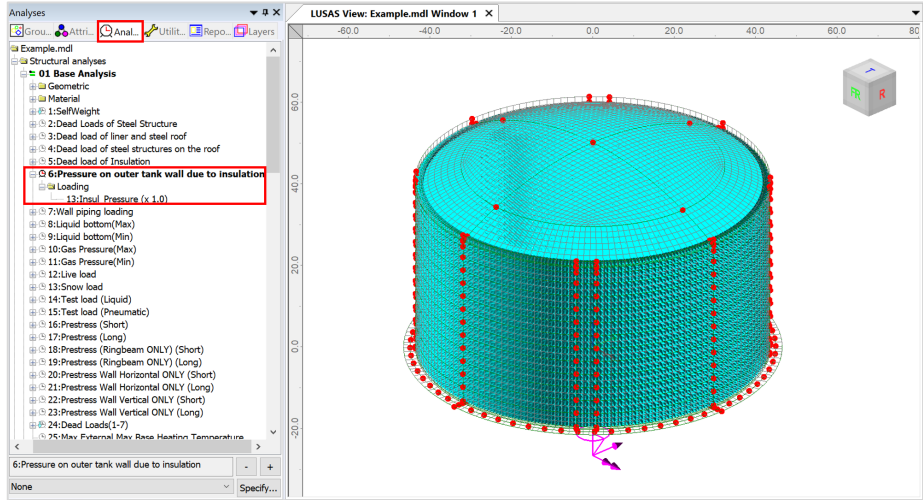


Fig 28 Insulation Pressure Load in a Base model for design check

Wall Piping Loading

Wall piping loading acts on the outer surface of the ringbeam and wall.

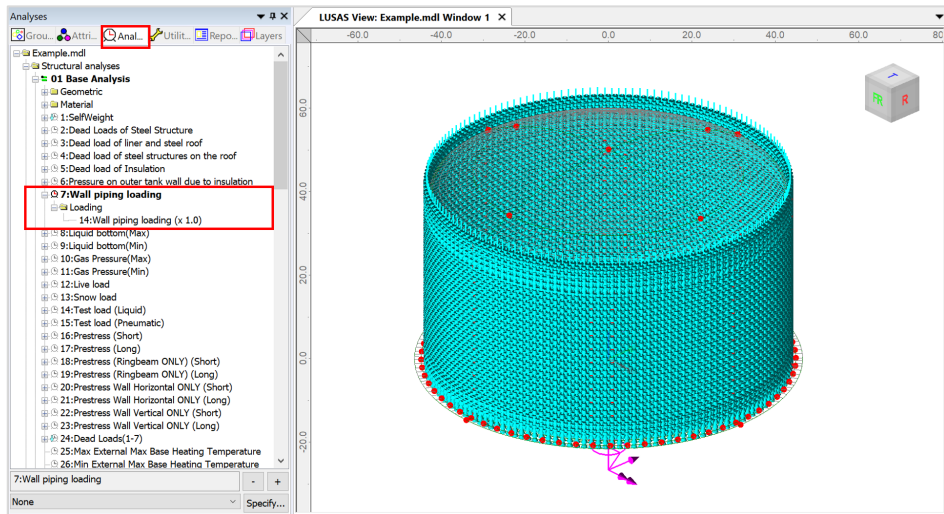


Fig 29 Wall piping loading in a Base model for design check

Liquid bottom (Max/Min)

The Liquid weight acts on the top surface of the base slab.

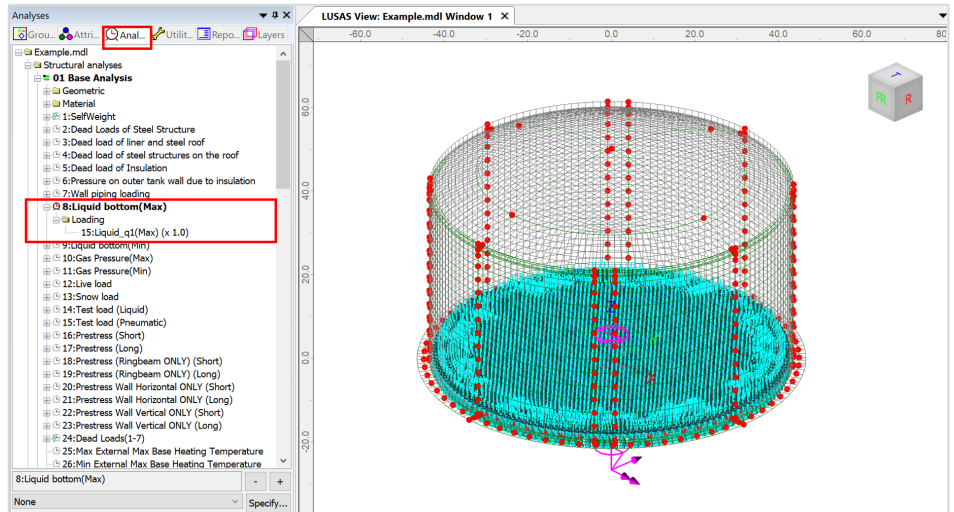


Fig 30 Liquid Bottom Loading in a Base model for design check

Gas Pressure(Max/Min)

Design gas pressure acts on the inner surface of the concrete tank.

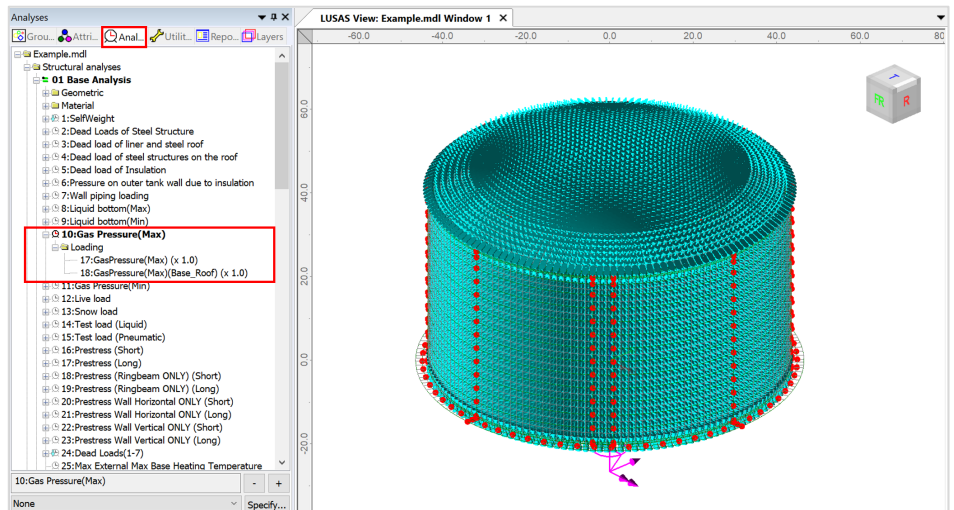


Fig 31 Gas Pressure Loading in a Base model for design check

Base Model

Live load (Imposed Load on the roof)

Live Load (Imposed Load on the roof, ref. EN 14620-1) is assigned on the top surface of the roof.

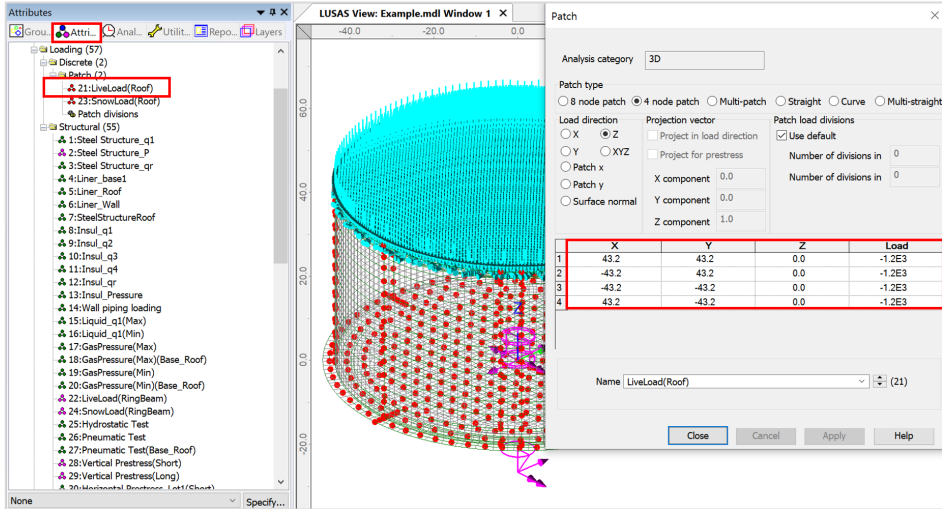


Fig 32 Live Load in a Base model for design check (Roof)

Snow load

The snow load is assigned on the top surface of the roof.

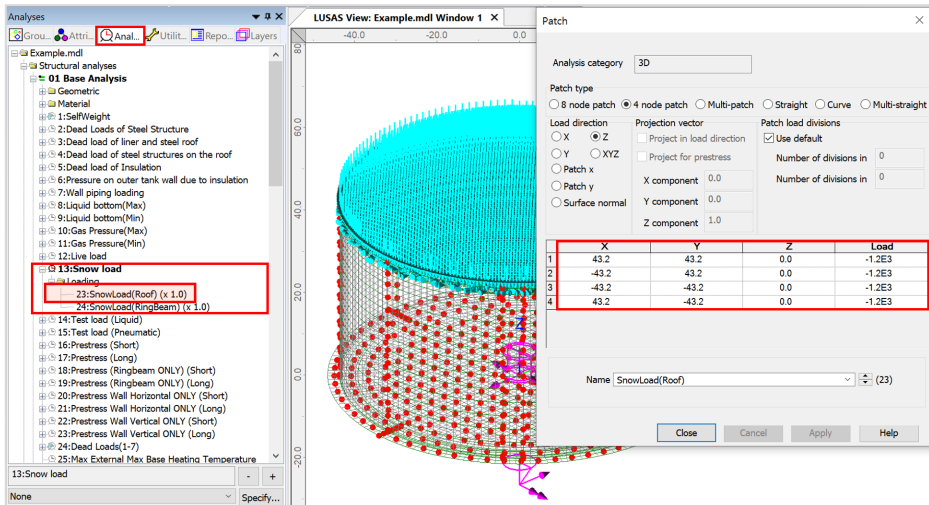


Fig 33 Snow Load in a Base model for design check (Roof)

Test load (Liquid bottom)

The Test load (Liquid bottom) acts on the top surface of the base slab.

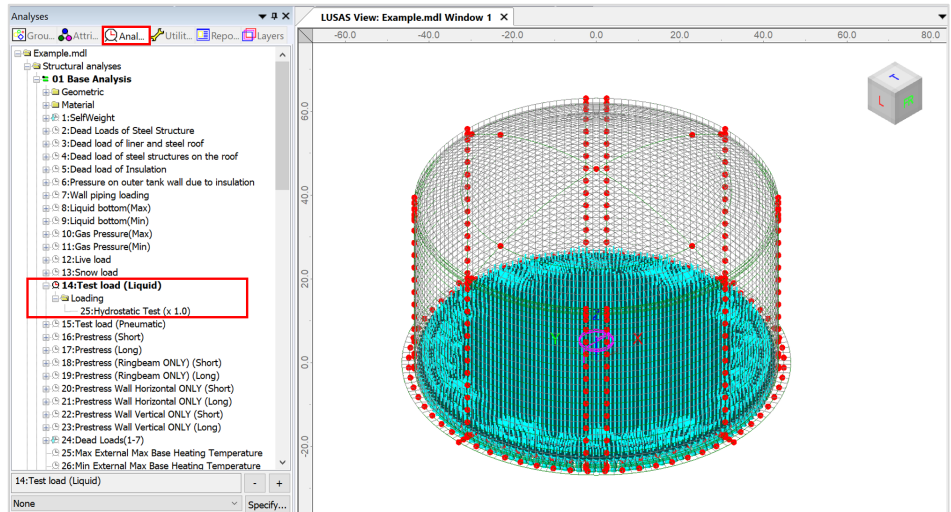


Fig 34 Test Load (Liquid Bottom) in a Base model for design check

Test load (Pneumatic)

Test load (Pneumatic) acts on the inner surfaces of the concrete tank.

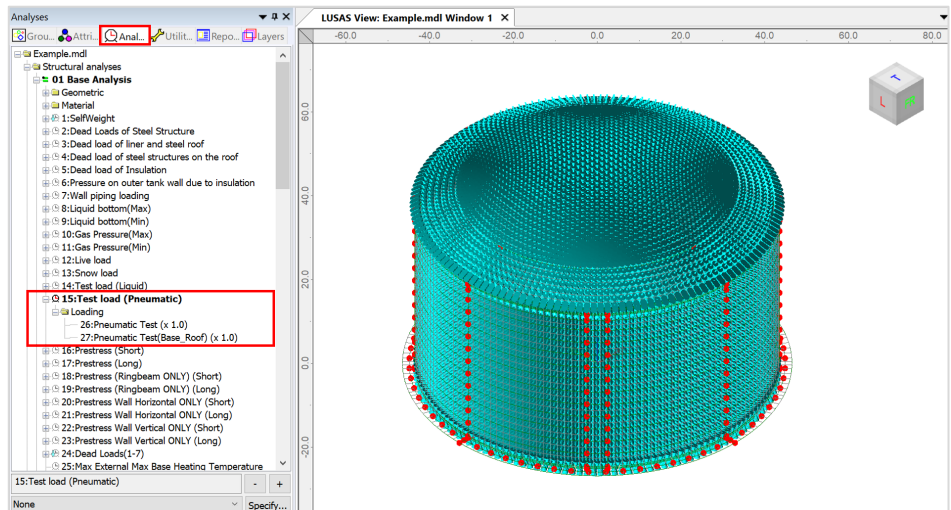


Fig 35 Test Load (Pneumatic) in a Base model for design check

Prestress Load

The effect of the prestressing steel tendons needs to be converted to equivalent external load and used for the input in the Wizard.

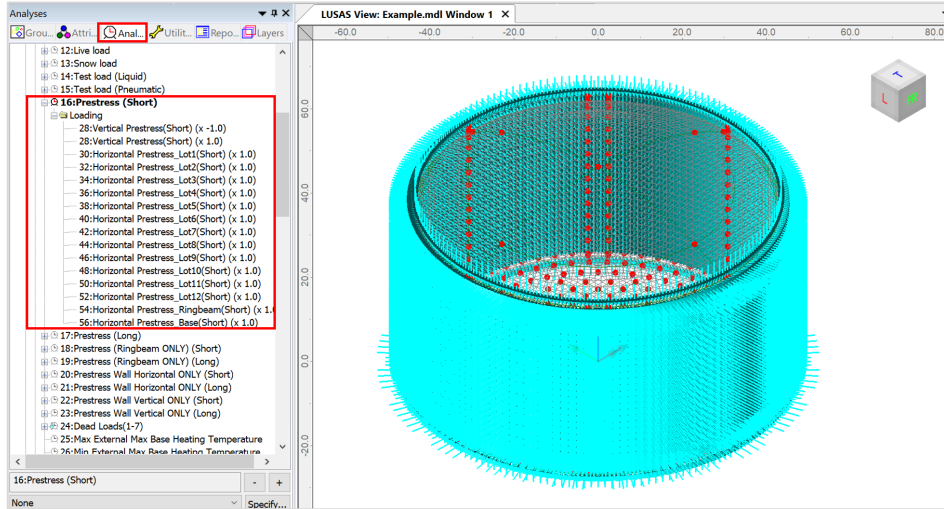


Fig 36 Prestress Load in a Base model for design check

Analyses

Five analyses having a total of 66 loadcases are set-up in the model.

- ❑ **Base Analysis** A static analysis. A total of 28 loadcases are provided including 4 temperature loading which can be added from a separate Thermal Analysis. Loadcase for wind load is not created when Base model is built. However, it can be added using 'Add loading> Wind...'
- ❑ **Seismic Analysis** Equivalent peak seismic acceleration and hydrodynamic loading are to be added.
- ❑ **Staged Construction Analysis** 29 construction stages are defined with self weight only if 'Roof split 1' is set for **Roof construction plan**.
- ❑ **CRSH Analysis** CRSH analysis is not created when Base model is built. However, it could be added using 'Add loading> Creep and Shrinkage' menu. The same number of loadcases for Staged construction analysis will be created. As for Staged Construction Analysis, combinations have been added to consider the pure effect from Creep and Shrinkage alone. This is obtained by subtracting the results in Analysis 5 (including CRSH) and the results in Analysis 4 (not considering CRSH).
- ❑ **Eigenvalue Analysis** To obtain Eigenvalue results.

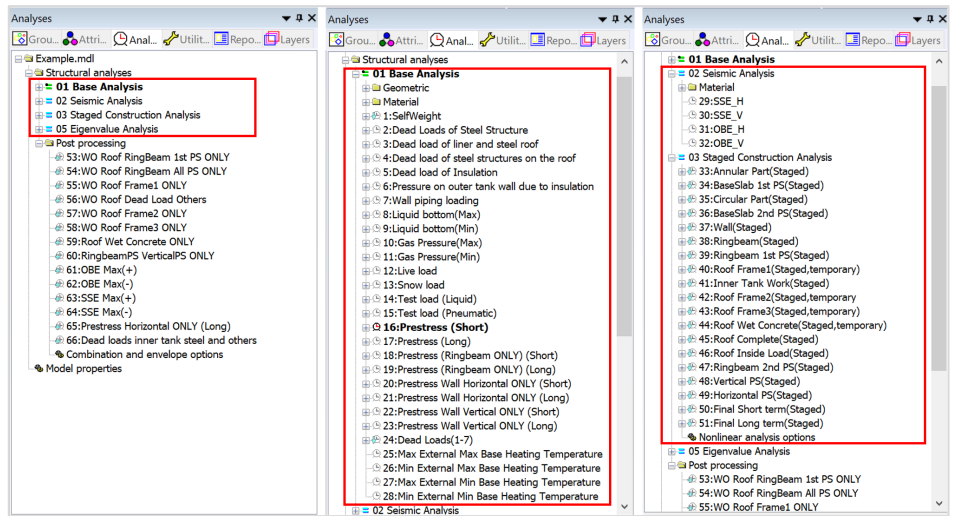


Fig 37 Analyses Available in Base Model

Roof element layers

The roof is built in two layers. Hence, two sets of overlapping surfaces have been created to consider the staged construction. As only the final layer is required for the other analyses, one set of surfaces is deactivated for the 1st loadcase of Base Analysis, Thermal Analysis, Seismic Analysis, and Eigenvalue analysis.

Loadings

Self weight is assigned in all analyses.

- In the Base Analysis, 28 loadcases are provided, including 4 temperature loading.
- In the other analyses (with the exception of the self weight) loading is not yet assigned.

Base Load Combinations

As seen in [Fig 63], 17 load combinations are pre-defined. These combinations are used to obtain the isolated effect of adding loading from a Staged Construction Analysis, so that they can be used as a single loadcase in the design load combination. A staged construction analysis is nonlinear by definition and hence the principle of superposition is not generally applicable. However, this simplified approach provides a systematic and efficient way of verifying hundreds of load combinations in the context of linear design according to a code of practice.

Base Model

For example, the load combination of ‘**WO Roof Ringbeam 1st PS ONLY**’ is for the subtraction of ‘Ringbeam[Staged]’ from ‘Ringbeam 1st PS[Staged]’.

- 1) Ringbeam[Staged] : Wall & Ringbeam is built. (i.e. no roof)
- 2) RingBeam 1st PS[Staged] : Wall & Ringbeam is built. (i.e. no roof). 1st PS is added.

Both loadcases are included in the Staged Construction Analysis, and the combination of 2)-1) is used to obtain the effect of the 1st PS loading during the construction stage.

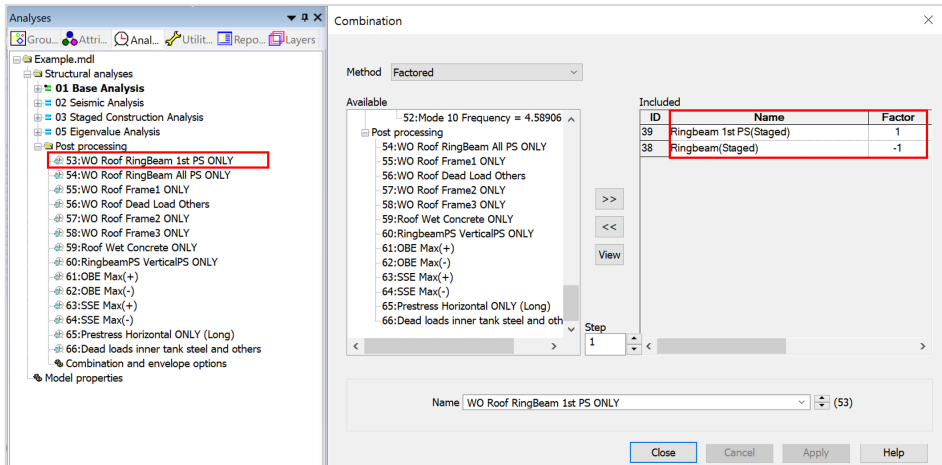


Fig 38 Pre-defined Load Combinations - WO Roof 1st PS only

Template for load combinations

A template for use in defining design load combinations is saved in the current working folder with name of the form: <Model name>_ComboTemplate.xlsx.

Update Reinforcement and Prestress

If the reinforcement or prestress tendon arrangement needs to be updated after the model is built, it can be updated by selecting the menu item **LNG Tank > Design Checks > Add/Update Reinforcement...**

This only updates the existing properties. If the attribute is to be de-assigned or deleted, it should be done manually.

If one-side only rebar is required, use a negligible value for Es. (e.g. a very small value

Thermal Analysis

Thermal analysis that requires the evaluation of heat transfer through thickness cannot be performed with shell elements, so a thermal analysis using 2D axisymmetric solid elements is required instead.

Thermal Analysis for Max Environmental Temperature

Select the **LNG Tank > Create 2D model> Thermal Analysis...** menu item, and assuming the default inputs are for maximum temperature, perform a 2D Thermal Analysis with the input data of ‘**Tnk1 – Max Temperature**’

- Enter **Example - Max** for the model file name, and click **OK**.

Fig 39 Dialog for Thermal Analysis (Max)

Thermal Analysis

The current shell model will be closed and a new 2D axisymmetric solid model suitable for thermal analysis will be built.

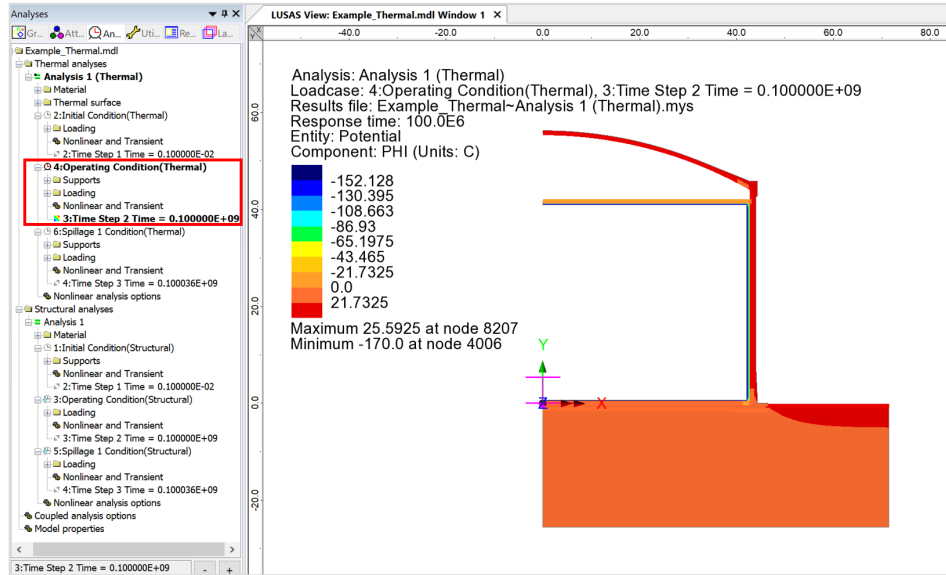



Fig 40 Thermal Analysis for Max Environmental Temperature

- Solve the model, and in the Analyses  treeview, set the loadcase **Operating Condition (Thermal)** active.

The Equivalent Uniform Temperature and Linear Temperature Gradient through thickness can be computed and saved in a spreadsheet by selecting the menu item **LNG Tank > Excel Tools > Export Temperatures...**

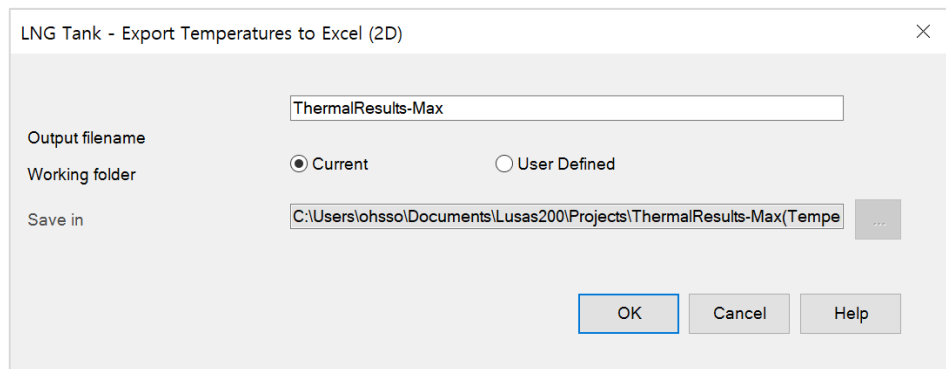
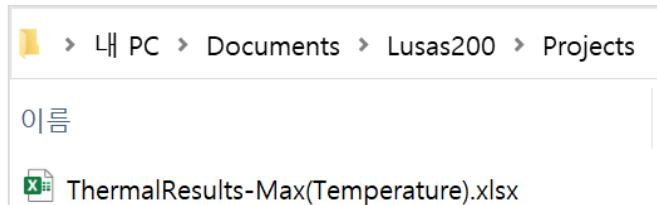


Fig 41 Extraction Thermal Max Results

In the current working folder, the file **ThermalResult-Max.xlsx** containing the extracted results for Roof/Slab/Wall is created.



Temperature of Roof						
Type	Temperature					
Location	Roof					
Unit	Celsius					
No of Slices	Gap (m)	Outer Radius (m)	Rad. Origin Y (m)	Min. Thickness (m)		
91.00	0.50	86.91	-30.65	0.50		
Distance (m)	Inner Temp (°C)	Outer Temp (°C)	Thickness (m)	Average Temp (°C)	Linear Gradient (°C/m)	Vertical Distance (m)
0.00	23.70	25.33	0.50	24.49	-3.58	0.00
0.51	23.61	25.33	0.50	24.47	-3.71	0.00
1.01	23.62	25.33	0.50	24.47	-3.70	0.01
1.52	23.61	25.32	0.50	24.47	-3.71	0.01
2.03	23.61	25.32	0.50	24.47	-3.71	0.02
2.54	23.61	25.33	0.50	24.47	-3.71	0.04
3.04	23.61	25.32	0.50	24.47	-3.71	0.05
3.55	23.61	25.32	0.50	24.47	-3.71	0.07

Fig 42 Extracted Thermal Results in a Spreadsheet

Thermal Analysis for Min Environmental Temperature

To perform additional thermal analyses for a minimum environment temperature, re-select the menu item **LNG Tank > Tank Definition...**

Thermal Analysis

Tank Definition

Tank type
Material: Concrete
Elevation: Aboveground

Target models to build
 2D axisymmetric structural
 2D axisymmetric coupled thermal/structural
 2D beam-stick seismic
 3D shell structural

Tank Definition | Load | Prestress | Insulations | Support (3D) | Seismic | Ground

Structural Dead Loading | Structural Variable Loading | Thermal Loading

Load type	Length [m]	Temperature [C]	Convective coefficient [J/m ² .s.C]	Type of boundary	Description
Initial Temperature (Structure)	0.0	10	0.0	Prescribed	Initial Temperature of Structure
Initial Temperature (Soil)	0.0	10	0.0	Prescribed	Initial Temperature of Soil
Soil Bottom Depth & Temperature	25.0	15.1	0.0	Prescribed	Soil Bottom where Temperature is constant
External Temperature	0.0	10	25.0	Convection	External Temperature
Liquid Temperature	0.0	-170.0	166.47	Prescribed	Liquid Temperature
Base Heating	0.0	5.0	0.0	Prescribed	Base Heating
Spillage 1	38.263	-170.0	166.47	Prescribed	Spillage 1
Spillage 2	0.0	-170.0	166.47	Prescribed	Spillage 2
Spillage 3	0.0	-170.0	166.47	Prescribed	Spillage 3
Spillage 4	0.0	-170.0	166.47	Prescribed	Spillage 4
Spillage 5	0.0	-170.0	166.47	Prescribed	Spillage 5

Set zero Set defaults * The temperature for base heating will only be considered if a value other than zero is defined.

Name: Tnk3 (new)

OK Cancel Apply Help

Fig 43 User Input for Min Environmental Temperature

- Enter **10 (Celsius)** for both the **External Temperature** and the **Initial Temperature (Soil)**. The **Initial Temperature (Structure)** is the temperature at the time when concrete is poured, hence there is no need to change at the moment.
- Save these inputs with name '**Tnk2-Min Temperature**'.
- Select the menu item **LNG Tank > Create 2D Model> Coupled Thermal /Structural...** and enter **Example - Min** for the model file name, then click **OK**.

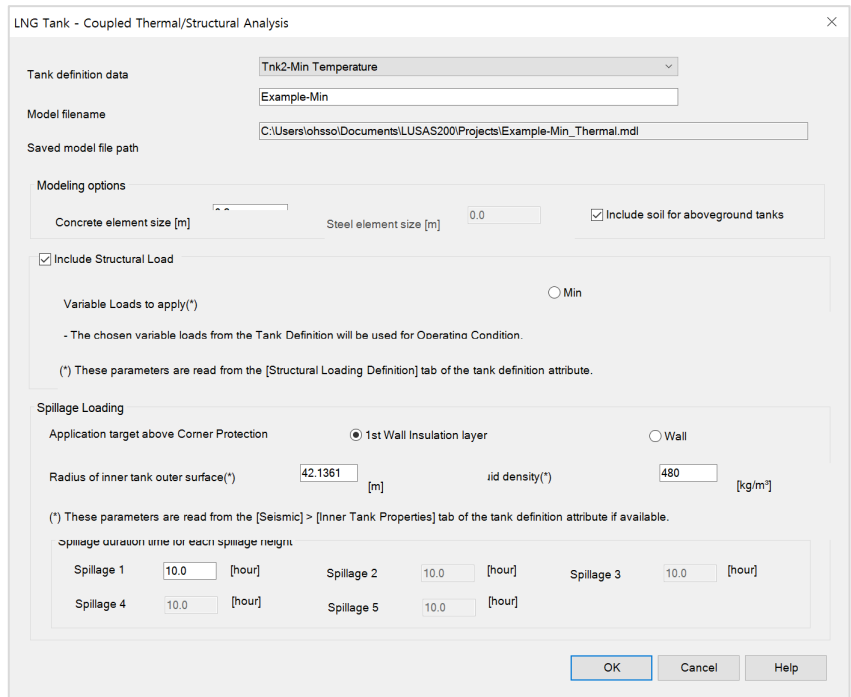


Fig 44 Dialog for Thermal Analysis (Min)

- Solve the model, and in the Analyses treeview, set the loadcase **Operating Condition (Thermal)** active.
- Export results into a spreadsheet by selecting the menu item **LNG Tank > Excel Tools> Export Temperatures...**

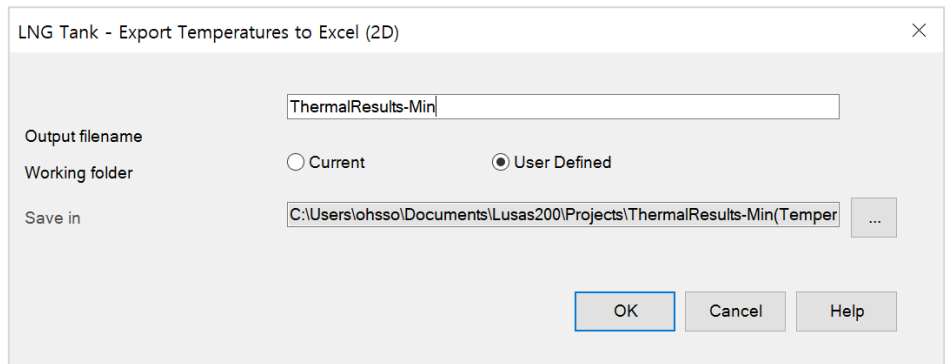


Fig 45 Extraction Thermal Min Results

Update Base Model

The thermal analysis results can be converted to 3D loading for load combinations.

- Close the thermal model, and open the shell model of 'Example(CodeChecking).mdl'.
- Select the menu item **LNG Tank > Add loading> Thermal ...** then select the spreadsheets for thermal analysis results and click **OK**.

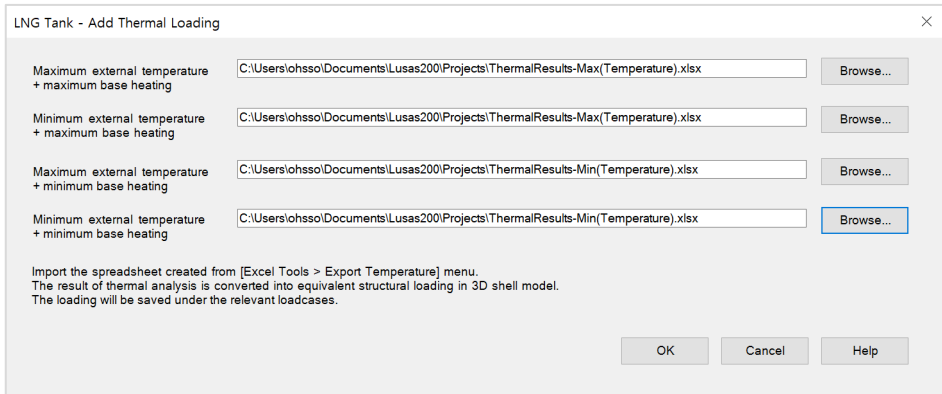


Fig 46 Dialog for Adding Thermal Loading

The thermal analyses results are converted into equivalent structural temperature loadings in the 3D shell model.

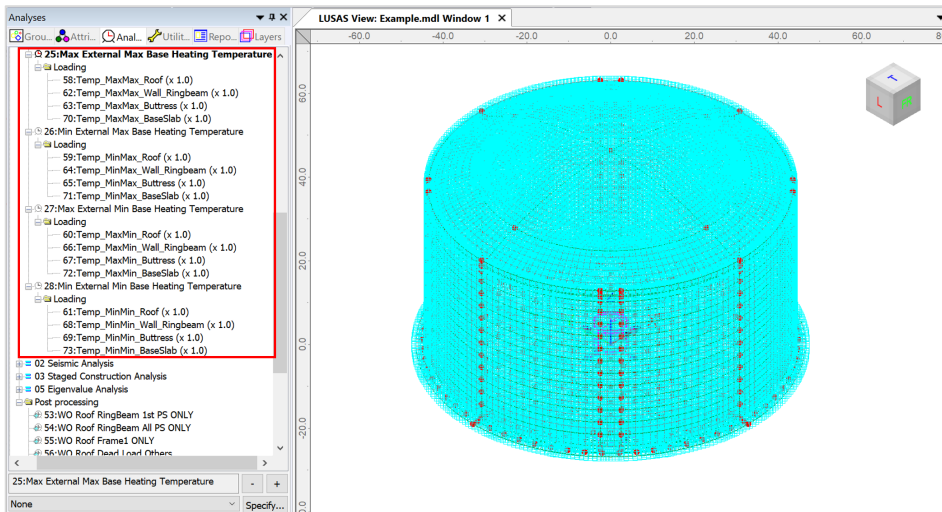


Fig 47 Temperature Loading from Thermal Analyses

Seismic Analysis

Preparation

A seismic analysis considering fluid-soil-structure interaction under seismic action should be carried out prior to the 3D shell model investigation. The inertial and hydrodynamic peak effects obtained from a seismic analysis can be transformed to equivalent static loading for a 3D model in the form of accelerations that will act on the structural masses and other structural loadings.

Update Base Model

Both OBE and SSE loadings can be defined by selecting the menu item **LNG Tank > Add Loading > Seismic...**

Horizontal direction			
	OBE	SSE	
Roof acceleration	4.0	8.0	m/s ²
Wall acceleration	2.5	5.0	m/s ²
Base acceleration	2.0	4.0	m/s ²
LNG force	250.0E3	500.0E3	kN
Moment from inner tank base (IBP)	500.0E3	960.0E3	kN-m
Moment from inner tank base (EBP)	50.0E3	60.0E3	kN-m

Vertical direction			
	OBE	SSE	
Roof acceleration	3.0	6.0	m/s ²
Wall acceleration	1.5	3.0	m/s ²
Base acceleration	1.5	3.0	m/s ²
Inner tank acceleration	1.5	3.0	m/s ²
LNG force	200.0E3	400.0E3	kN

The loading for quasi-static seismic analysis will be created.
A separate FSSI analysis should be performed in advance to obtain the required loading.

OK Cancel Help

Fig 48 Dialog for Adding Seismic Loadings

Horizontal Loadings

Based on the given inputs, the loadings are defined as shown below. The acceleration loadings are directly used for defining Body Force loading in Modeller, and the other loadings are converted to equivalent structural loadings.

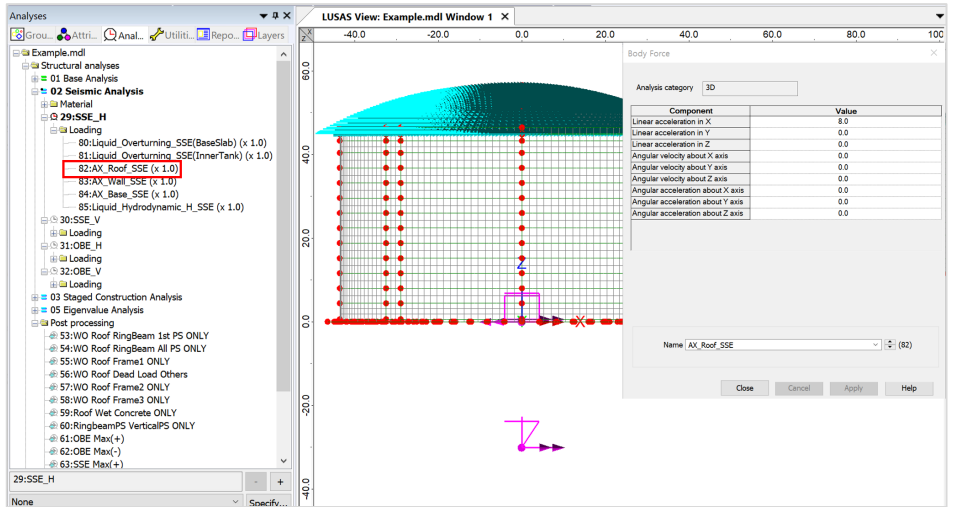


Fig 49 Horizontal Seismic Loading for Roof (SSE)

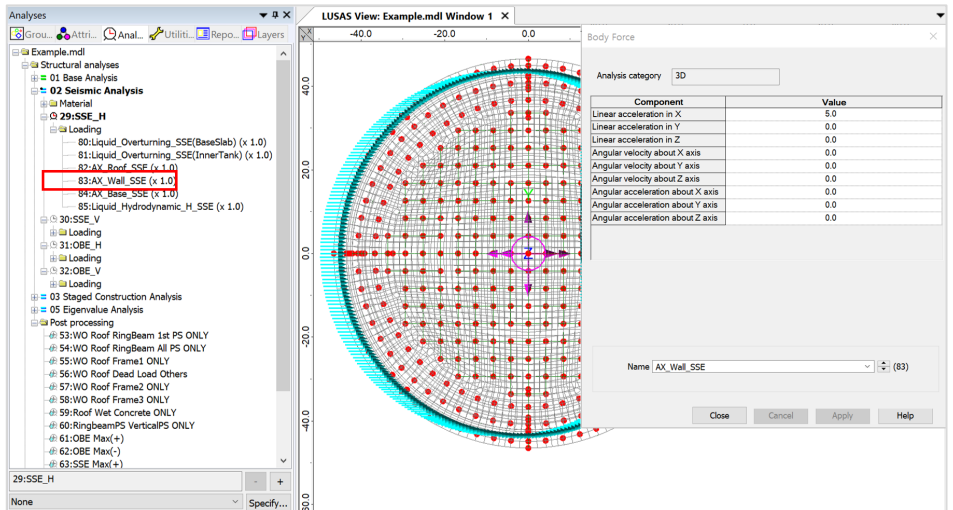


Fig 50 Horizontal Seismic Loading for Wall (SSE)

Seismic Analysis

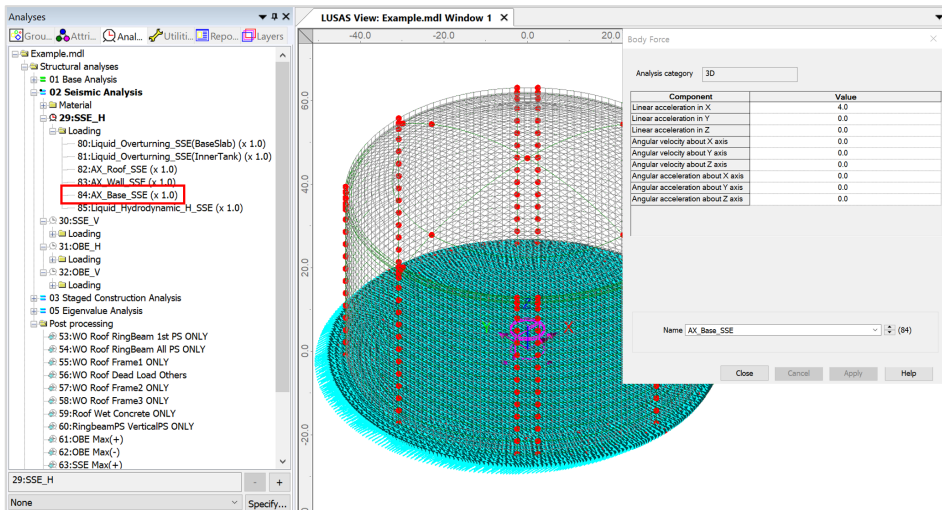


Fig 51 Horizontal Seismic Loading for Base Slab (SSE)

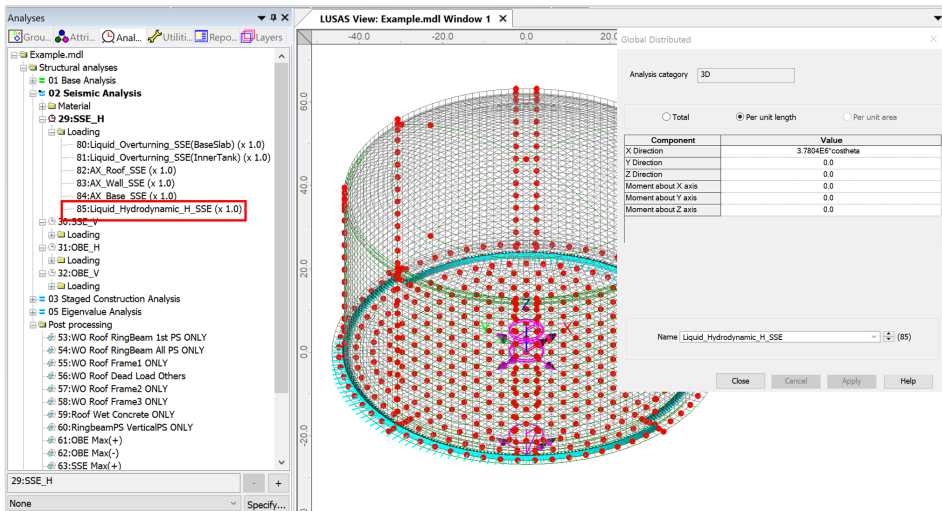


Fig 52 Horizontal Seismic Loading of Liquid Force (SSE)

- ❑ The force of the liquid is transferred to the Base Slab through the inner tank, so the loading is applied at the location of the inner tank wall.
- ❑ The total force defined from user input is 500E3 kN in the global X direction, however the pressure of the liquid acts perpendicular to the inner tank wall surface with an intensity following a cosine variation.
- ❑ A cylindrical local coordinate system is applied to the lines to ensure loading is in a radial direction.

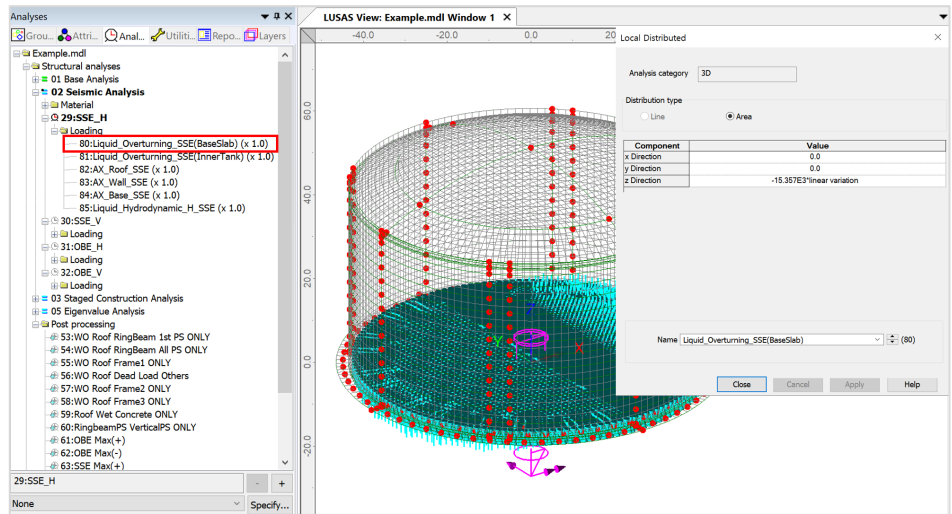


Fig 53 Horizontal Seismic Loading of Overturning Moment from Base Slab (SSE)

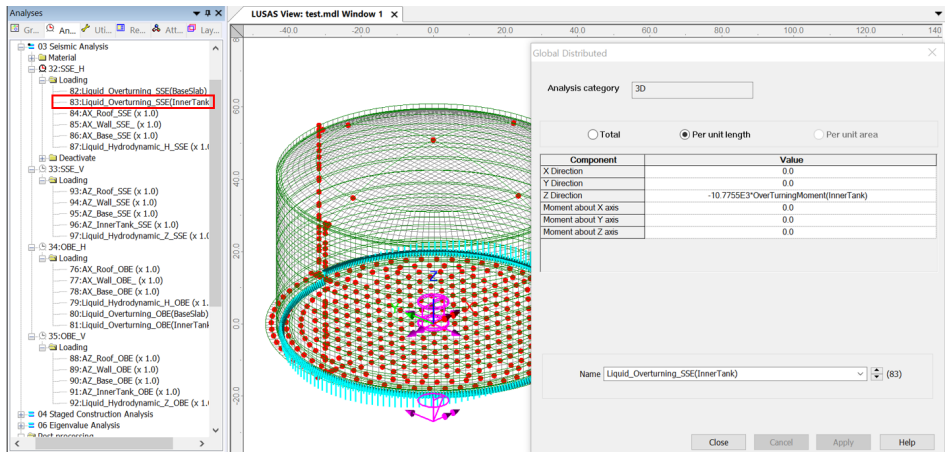


Fig 54 Horizontal Seismic Loading of Overturning Moment from Inner Tank (SSE)

Vertical Loadings

The acceleration loading is directly used to define Body Force loading in Modeller except for the acceleration for the Inner Tank. As the Inner Tank is not included in the meshed model, the loading is converted to equivalent structural loading.

Seismic Analysis

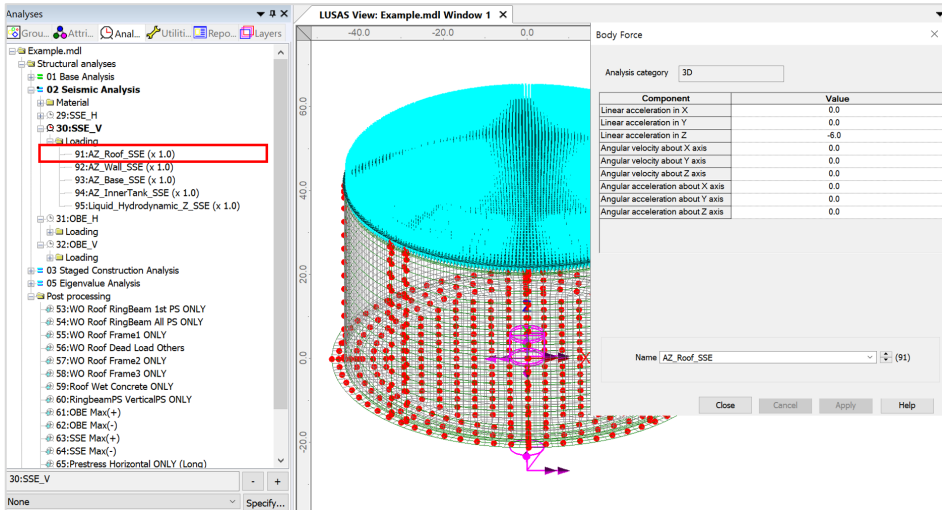


Fig 55 Vertical Seismic Loading for Roof (SSE)

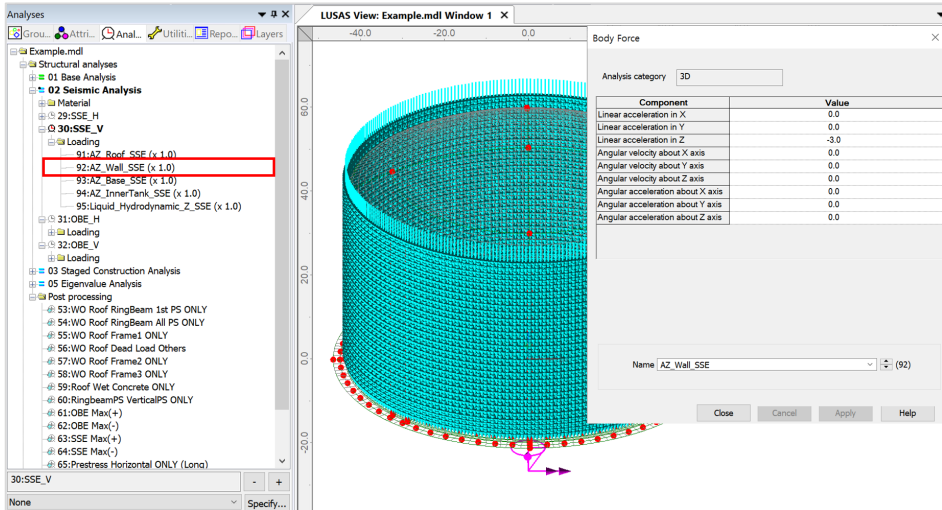


Fig 56 Vertical Seismic Loading for Wall (SSE)

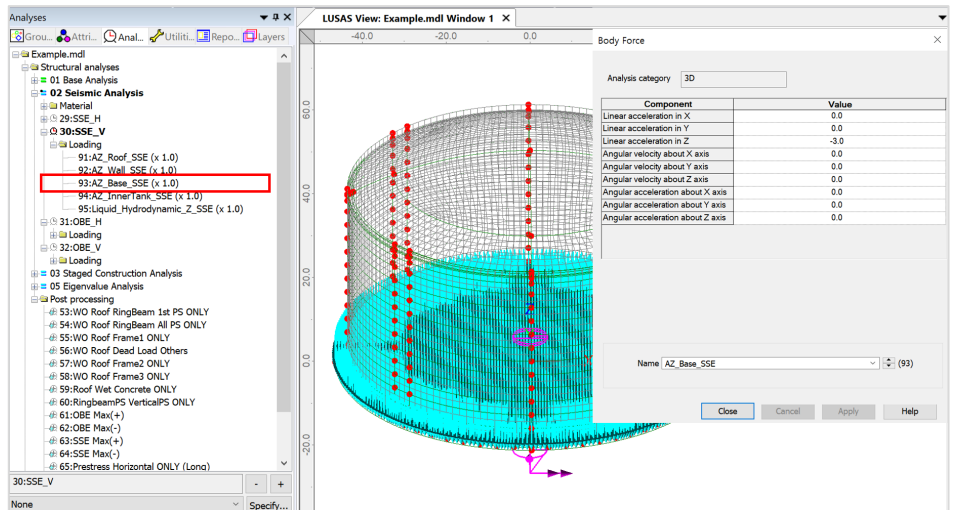


Fig 57 Vertical Seismic Loading for Base Slab (SSE)

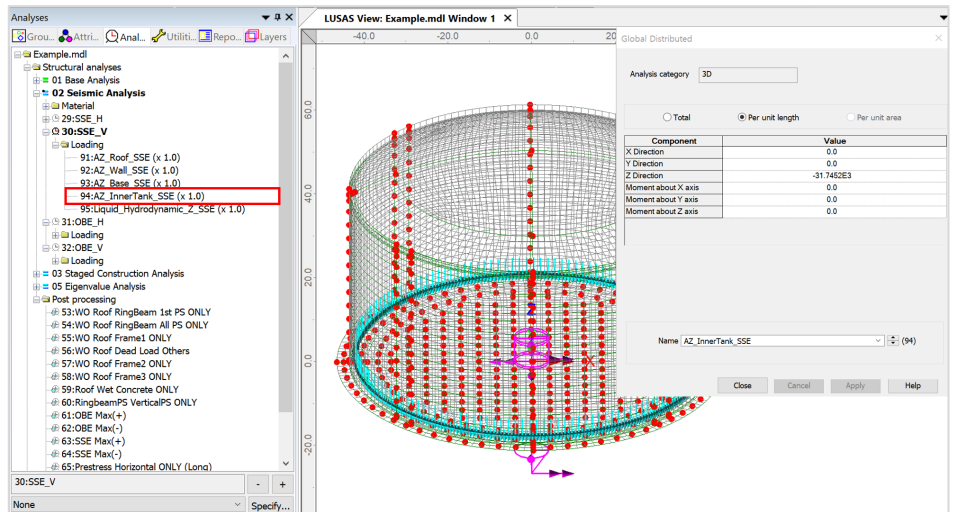


Fig 58 Vertical Seismic Loading for Inner Tank (SSE)

- ❑ The inner tank is not included as structural elements, so the vertical loading from the inner tank should be converted for structural loading.

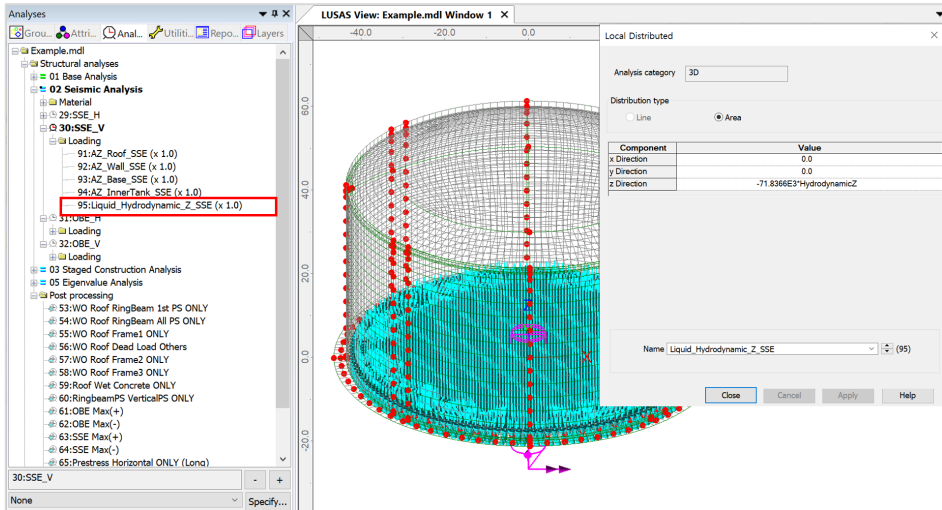


Fig 59 Vertical Seismic Loading for Liquid (Hydrostatic, SSE)

- ❑ The given liquid pressure is 400E3 kN is converted as a distributed load for 3D model.

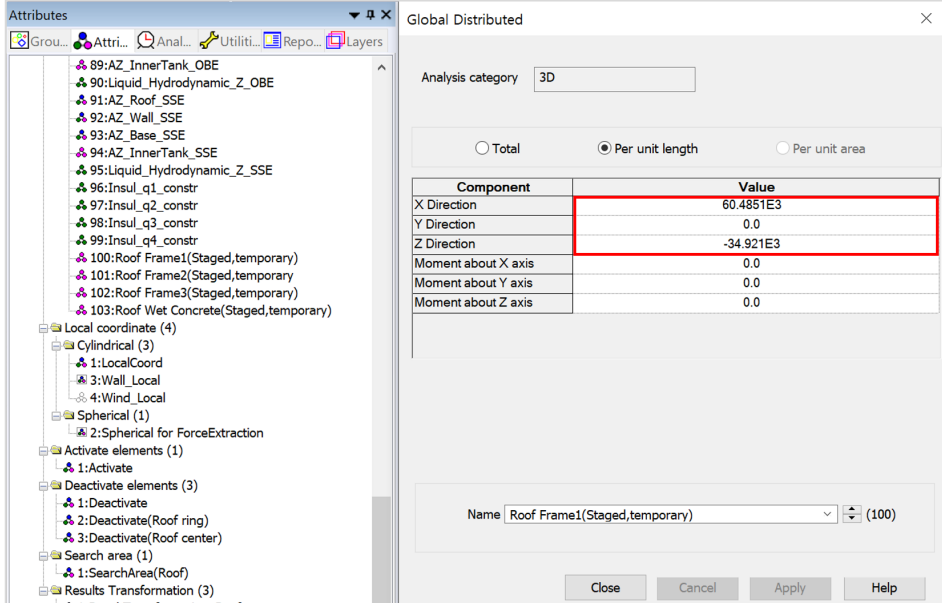


Fig 60 Roof Frame1 Loading

As these loadings are not permanent loading, they are not inherited by the subsequent stages and are marked as 'temporary' in the loadcase name.

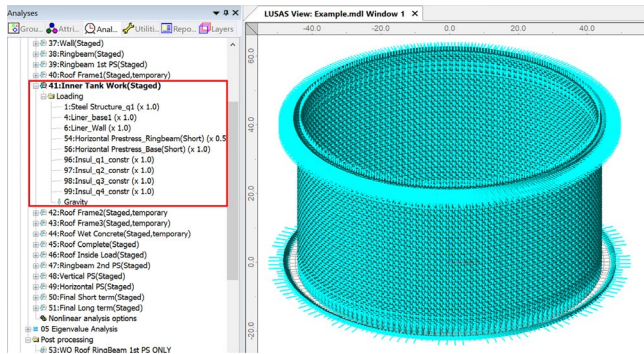


Fig 61 Stage 9 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 9 assumes that the inner tank has been built. All insulation loading except for ‘Roof Liner’ will be defined and assigned at this stage.

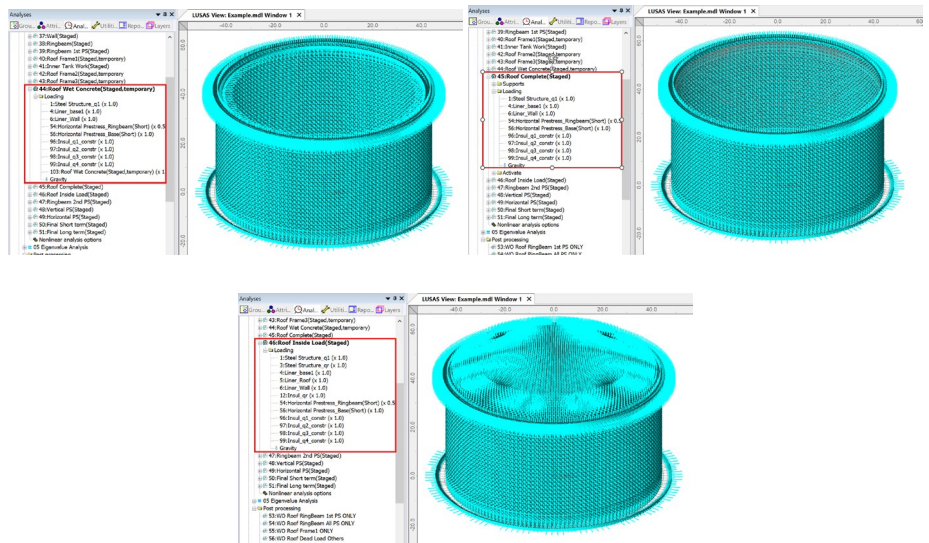


Fig 62 Stage 12-14 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 12 assumes that the roof is being built and the poured concrete is acting as a loading on the ringbeam.

Seismic Analysis

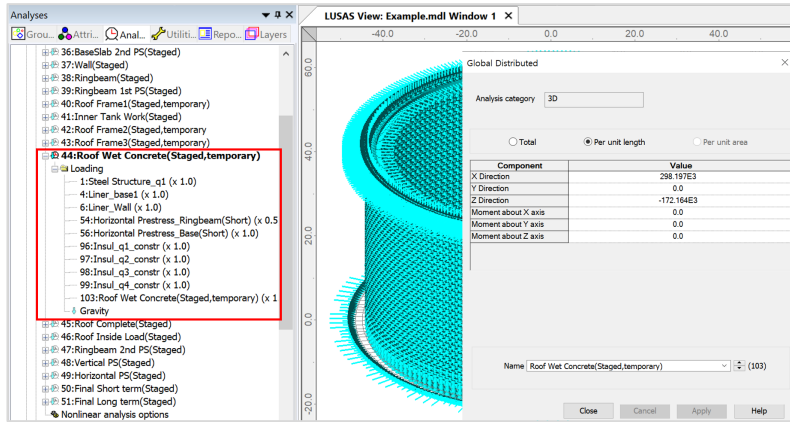


Fig 63 Stage 12 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 13 assumes that the roof is completed (Roof ratio for 1st built is set to 1.0. As shown below. At this stage the wet concrete loading assigned at **Stage 12** is removed and replaced with the body force of the Roof.

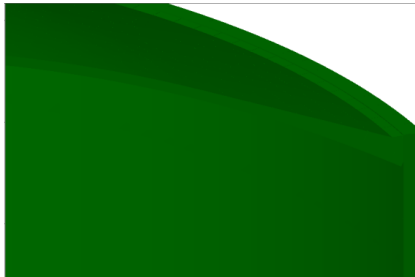


Fig 64 Roof Shape at Stage 13

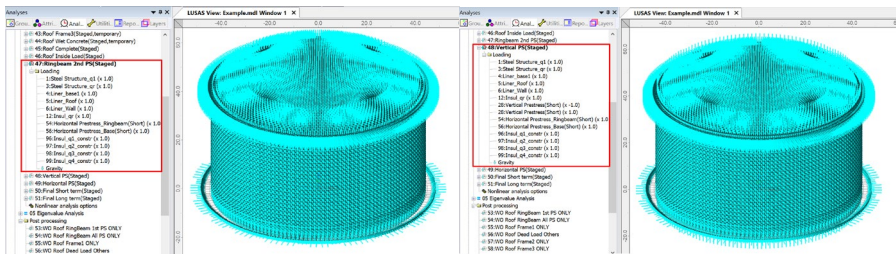


Fig 65 Stage 15 ~ 16 of Staged Construction Analysis

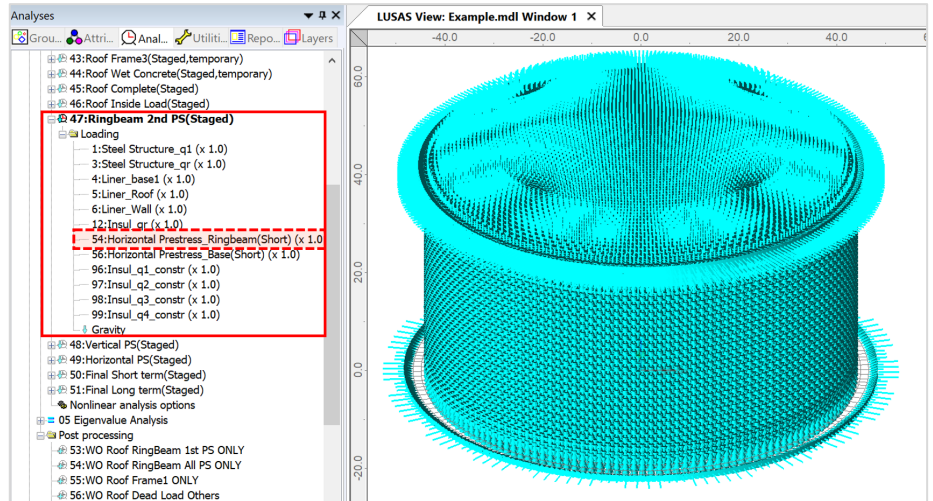


Fig 66 Stage 15 of Staged Construction Analysis

At Stage 15, 50% of additional RingBeam Prestress is added. (The Load Factor is updated from 0.5 to 1.0 for Horizontal Prestress_Ringbeam load.)

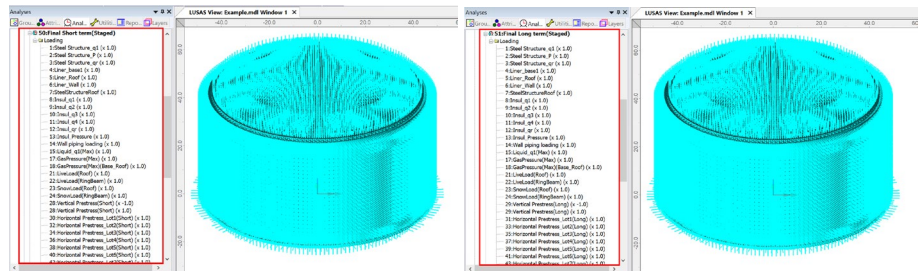


Fig 67 Stage 18 ~ 19 of Staged Construction Analysis

At Stage 16 the vertical prestress is added.

At Stage 17 all the horizontal prestress for the Wall is added.

Stage 18 is the final stage. The structures are complete as built, and all loadings for the operating condition are added.

Stage 19 models long-term effects. The prestress values are updated to those for long-term PS.

- Single layered roof 2

Stage	Description	Note
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Seismic Analysis

Stage	Description	Note
No. 1	Annular part	
No. 2	1) + Base 1 st PS	
No. 3	2) + Circular part	
No. 4	3) + Base 2 nd PS	
No. 5	4) + Wall is added up in stages	
No. 6	5) + Ringbeam 1 st	
No. 7	6) + Wall End 1st PS	
No. 8	7) + Ringbeam 1 st PS	
No. 9	8) + Roof Frame 1	
No. 10	9) + Inner Tank Work	
No. 11	10) + Roof Frame 2	
No. 12	11) + Roof Frame 3	
No. 13	12) + Ringbeam	
No. 14	13) + Roof Wet Concrete	
No. 15	14) + Roof Complete	
No. 16	15) + Roof Inside Load	
No. 17	16) + Vertical PS	
No. 18	17) + Horizontal PS	
No. 29	18) + Final Short term	
No. 30	19) + Final Long term (Long term PS applied)	

Table 1 Sequence of Construction Stages

- Layered roof option 1

Stage	Description	Note
No. 1	Annular part	
No. 2	1) + Base 1 st PS	

Stage	Description	Note
No. 3	2) + Circular part	
No. 4	3) + Base 2 nd PS	
No. 5~6	4) + Wall & Ringbeam is added up in stages	
No. 7	6) + Ringbeam 1 st PS	
No. 8	7) + Roof Frame 1	
No. 9	8) + Inner Tank Work	
No. 10	9) + Roof Frame 2	
No. 11	10) + Roof Frame 3	
No. 12	11) + Roof Lower Wet Concrete	
No. 13	12) + Roof Lower Complete	
No. 14	13) + Roof Lower Inside Load	
No. 15	14) + Roof Upper Wet Concrete	
No. 16	15) + Roof Complete	
No. 17	16) + Ringbeam 2 nd PS	
No. 18	17) + Vertical PS	
No. 19	18) + Horizontal PS	
No. 20	19) + Final Short term	
No. 21	20) + Final Long term (Long term PS applied)	

Table 2 Sequence of Construction Stages (Roof Ratio for 1st Built = 0.5)

Seismic Analysis

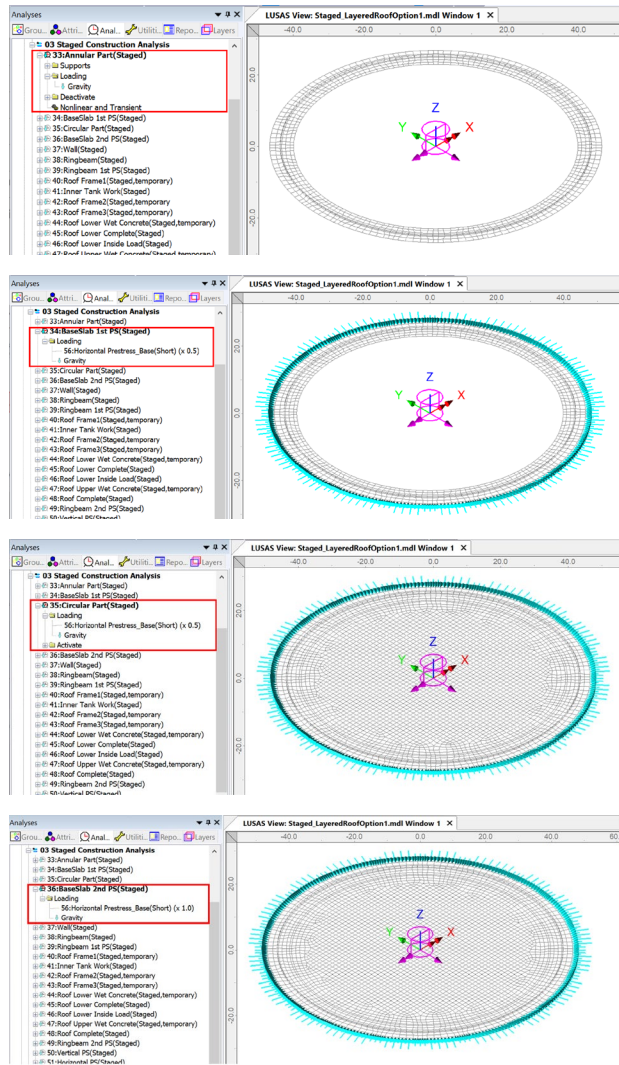


Fig 68 Stage 1 ~ 4 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 1 builds the annular part of the slab.

Stage 2 adds the 1st PS for the Base Slab

Stage 3 the central part of slab.

Stage 4 adds the 2nd PS for the Base Slab.

Stage 5 models the construction of the first lift of the Wall.

Note that self weight is always assigned when a new part of the structure is added. Loading defined and assigned at a stage is inherited by the subsequent stages.

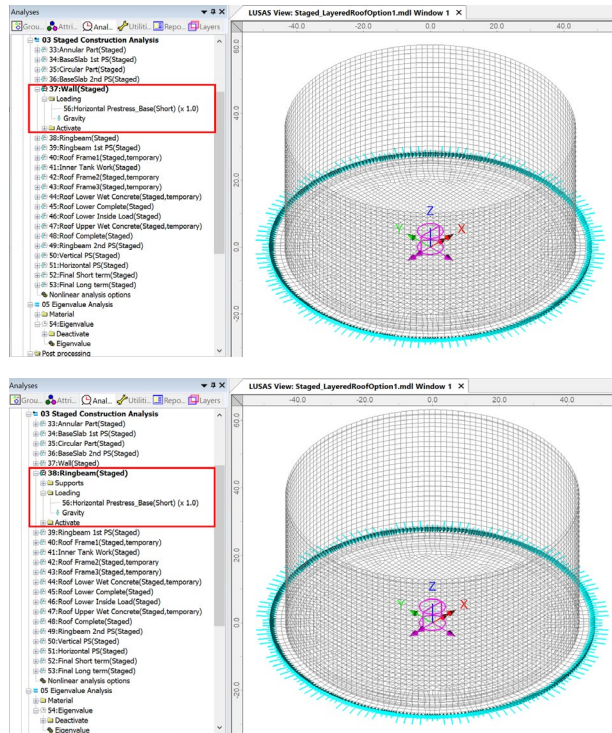


Fig 69 Stage 5 ~ 6 of Staged Construction Analysis

At Stage 6, the Wall and RingBeam construction is complete.

Seismic Analysis

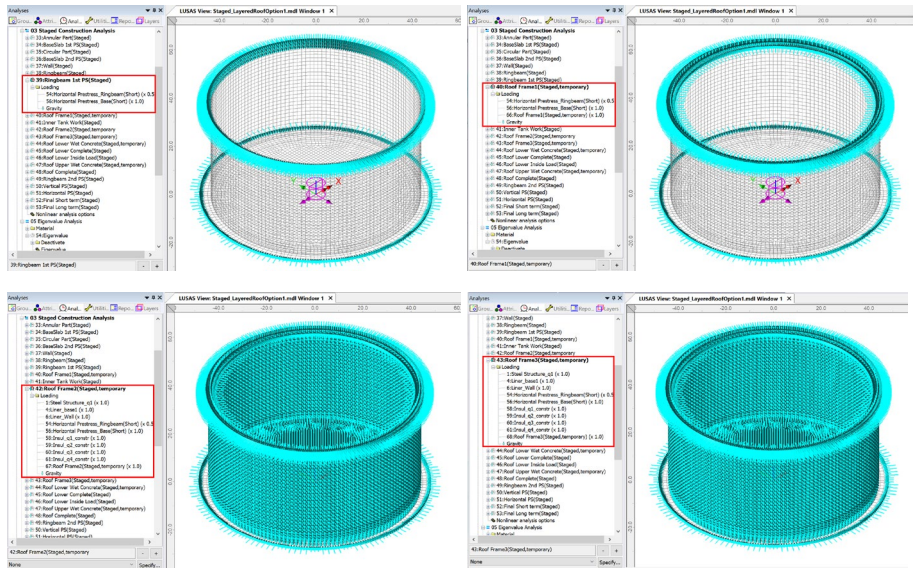


Fig 70 Stage 7 ~ 11 of Staged Construction Analysis

At **Stage 7**, 50% of RingBeam prestress is assumed to be applied if the ‘**Initial prestress for Ringbeam (ratio)**’ is set to 0.5. (A Load Factor of 0.5 was used for the Horizontal Prestress_Ringbeam load.) If ‘**Initial prestress for Ringbeam (ratio)**’ is set to a different value then the Ringbeam prestress at **Stage 7** will have a different load accordingly.

Stages 8, 10 and 11 assume that there could be temporary loads on the line where the roof and RingBeam are connected. The loadings for Roof Frame 1, Roof Frame 2 and Roof Frame3 are defined using user inputs. The user needs to input total loading and Modeller will automatically convert this to the equivalent load per unit length according to the length of line the loading is assigned to.

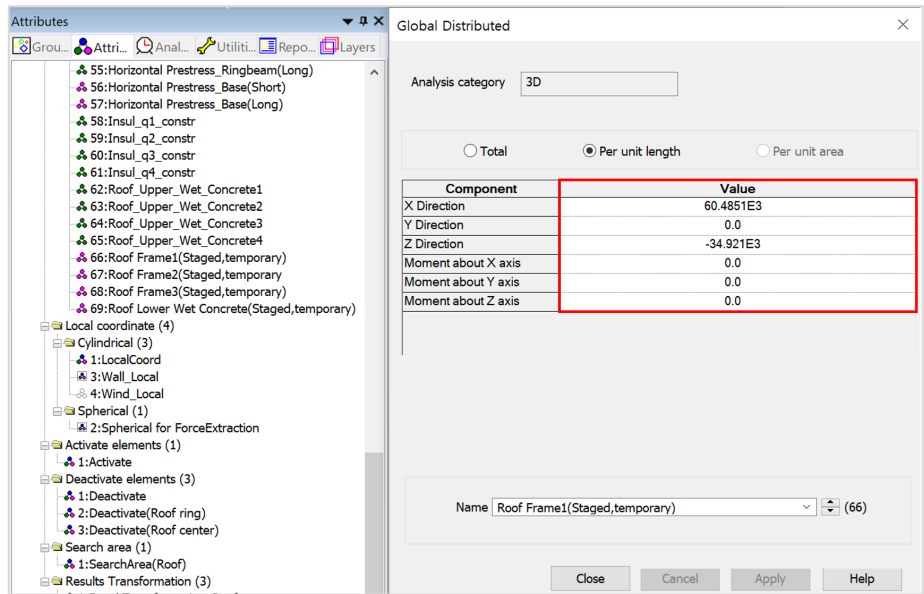


Fig 71 Roof Frame1 Loading

As these loadings are not permanent loading, they are not inherited by the subsequent stages and are marked as ‘temporary’ in the loadcase name.

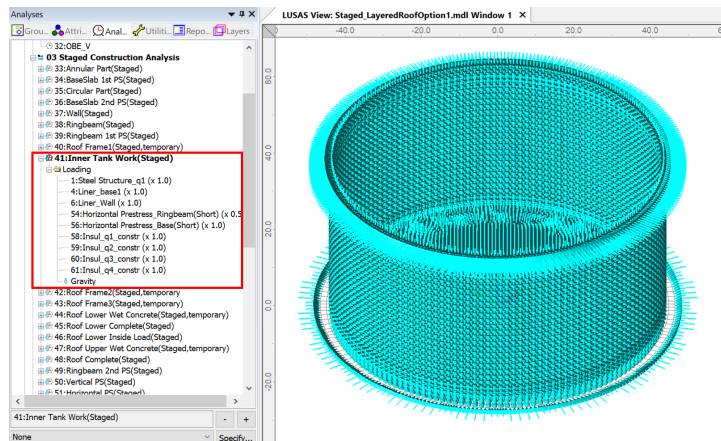


Fig 72 Stage 9 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 9 assumes that the inner tank has been built. All insulation loading except for ‘Roof Liner’ will be defined and assigned at this stage.

Seismic Analysis

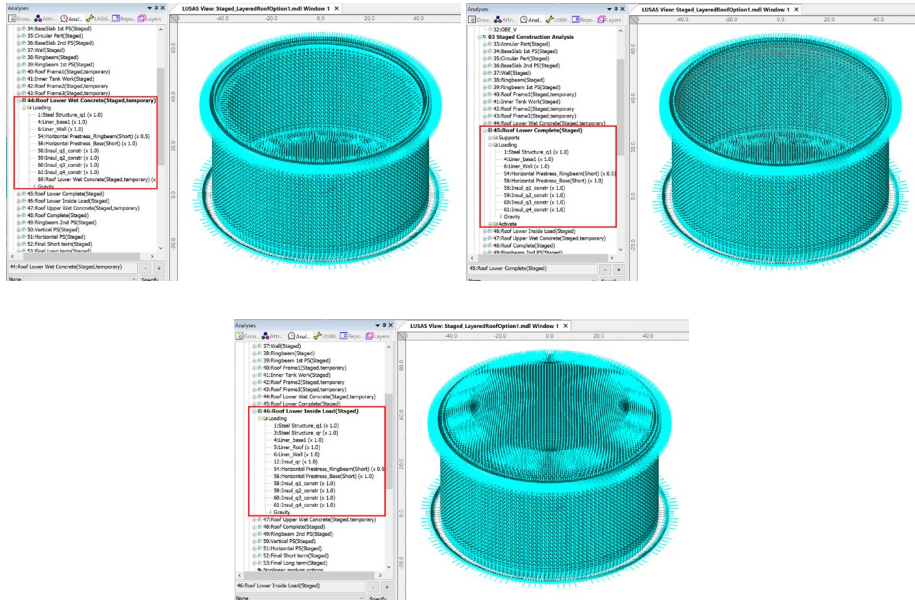


Fig 73 Stage 12-14 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 12 assumes that the lower half of the roof is being built and the poured concrete is acting as a loading on the ringbeam.

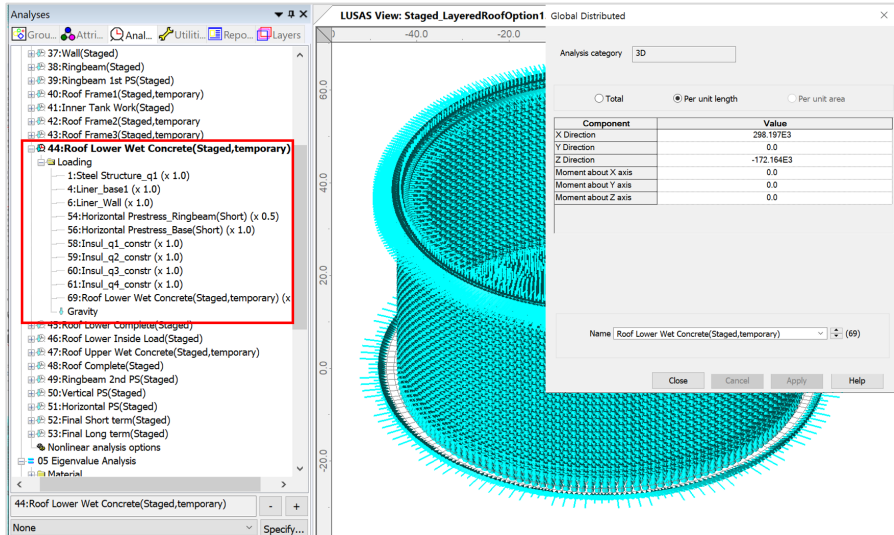


Fig 74 Stage 12 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 13 assumes that the lower half of the roof is built (if Roof ratio for 1st built = 0.5 from **Tank Definition**), and the lower part of the roof is newly activated. As shown below, the geometric properties used represent those for only half of the Roof at stage 13, only becoming geometric properties for the whole roof at stage 16.

Stage 13 assumes that the lower part of roof is completed. At this stage the wet concrete loading assigned at Stage 12 is removed and replaced with the body force of the lower part of Roof.



Fig 75 Roof Shape at Stage 13, 16.

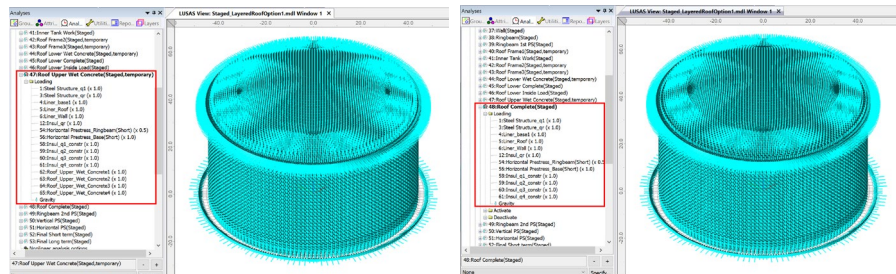


Fig 76 Stage 15 ~ 16 of Staged Construction Analysis

Seismic Analysis

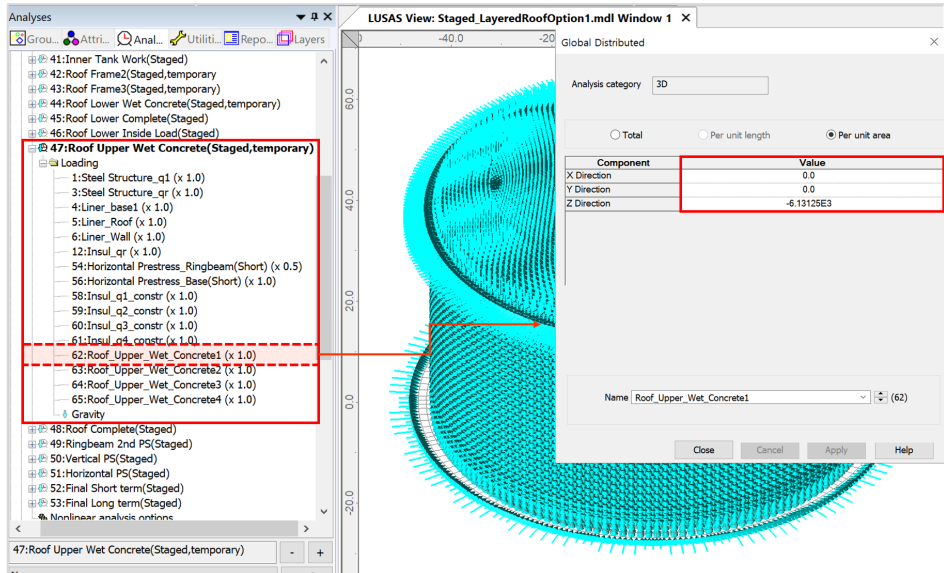


Fig 77 Stage 15 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 15 models the upper half of the Roof being built with the poured concrete acting as a load on the already cast lower half of the Roof.

Stage 16 assumes that the upper part of the Roof is now built. The wet concrete loading assigned at Stage 15 is removed and replaced with the body force of the upper part of the Roof.

At Stage 17, 50% of additional RingBeam Prestress is added. (The Load Factor is updated from 0.5 to 1.0 for Horizontal Prestress_Ringbeam load.)

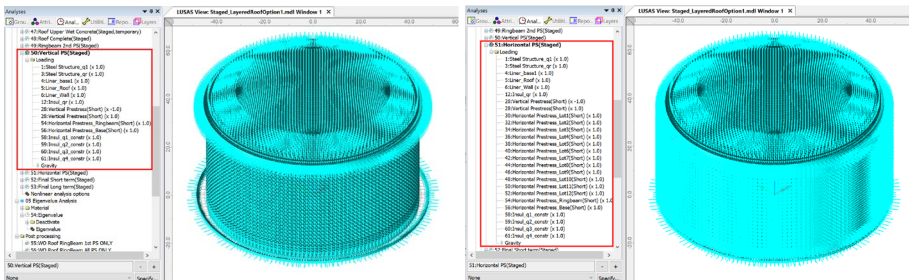


Fig 78 Stage 18 ~ 19 of Staged Construction Analysis

At Stage 18, the vertical prestress is added.

At Stage 19, all the horizontal prestress for the Wall is added.

Stage 20 is the final stage. The structures are complete as built, and all loadings for the operating condition are added.

Stage 21 models long-term effects. The prestress values are updated to those for long-term PS.

If ‘Roof ratio for 1st built’ is set to 1, the following sequence for the staged construction analysis will be applied.

- Layered roof option 2

Stage	Description	Note
No. 1	Annular part	
No. 2	2) + Base 1st PS	
No. 3	3) + Circular part	
No. 4	4) + Base 2 nd PS	
No. 5~6	5) + Wall & Ringbeam is added up in stages	
No. 7	6) + Wall End 1 st PS	
No. 8	7) + Ringbeam 1 st PS	
No. 9	8) + Roof Frame 1	
No. 10	9) + Inner Tank Work	
No. 11	10) + Roof Frame 2	
No. 12	11) + Roof Frame 3	
No. 13	12) + Roof Lower Wet Concrete	
No. 14	13) + Roof Lower Complete	
No. 15	14) + Roof Lower Inside Load	
No. 16	15) + Wall End 2 nd PS	
No. 17	16) + Ringbeam 2 nd PS	
No. 18	17) + Roof Upper Wet Concrete	
No. 19	18) + Roof Complete	
No. 20	19) + Vertical PS	

Seismic Analysis

Stage	Description	Note
No. 21	20) + Horizontal PS	
No. 22	21) + Final Short term	
No. 23	22) + Final Long term (Long term PS applied)	

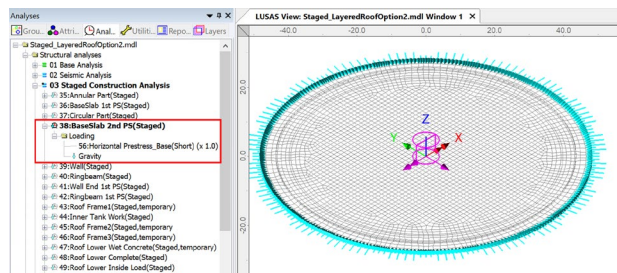
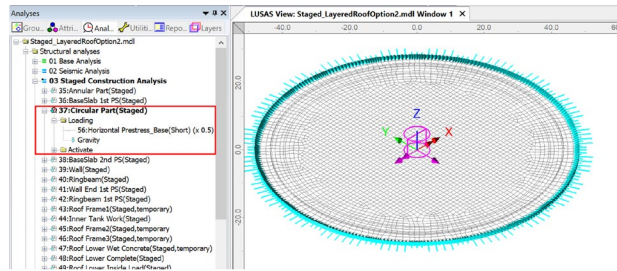
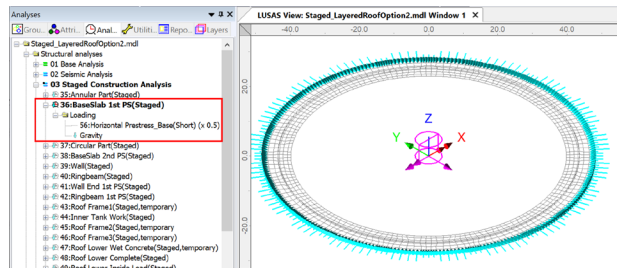
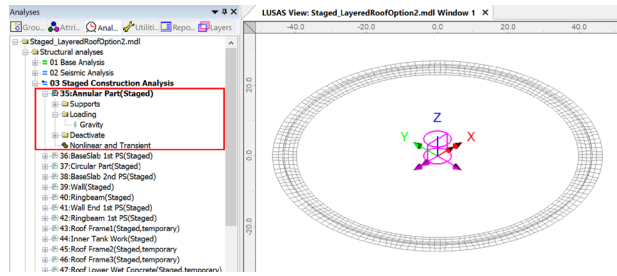


Fig 79 Stage 1 ~ 4 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 1 builds the annular part of the slab.

Stage 2 adds the 1st PS for the Base Slab

Seismic Analysis

Stage 3 the central part of slab.

Stage 4 adds the 2nd PS for the Base Slab.

Stage 5 models the construction of the first lift of the Wall.

Note that self weight is always assigned when a new part of the structure is added. Loading defined and assigned at a stage is inherited by the subsequent stages.

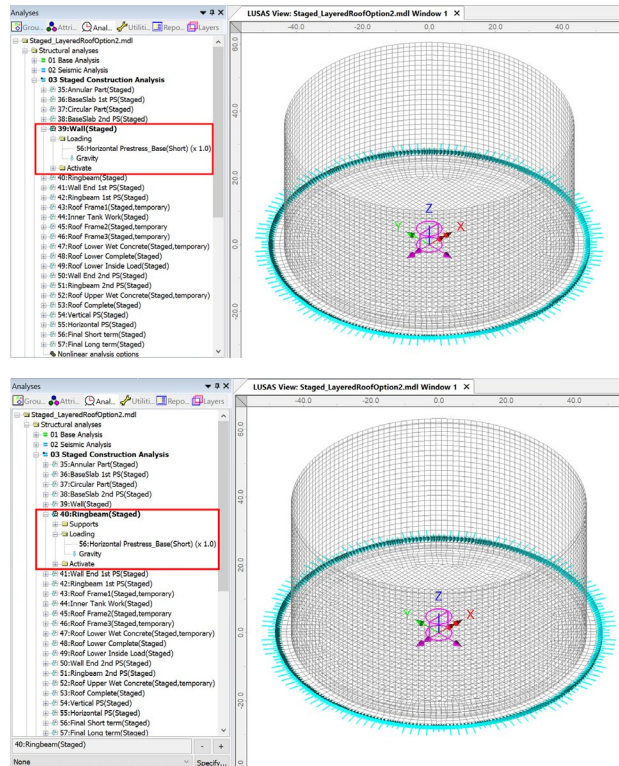


Fig 80 Stage 5 ~ 6 of Staged Construction Analysis

At **Stage 6**, the Wall and RingBeam construction is complete.

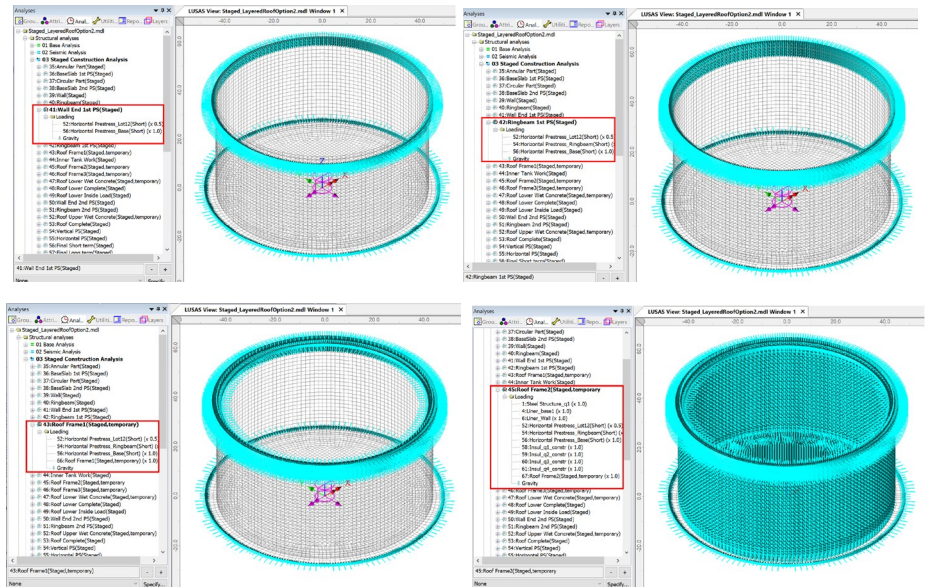


Fig 81 Stage 7 ~ 11 of Staged Construction Analysis

At **Stage 7**, 50% of Wall end 1st prestress is assumed to be applied (A Load factor of 0.5 was used for the Horizontal Prestress Wall End 1st load).

At **Stage 8**, 50% of RingBeam prestress is assumed to be applied if the “**Initial prestress for Ringbeam (ratio)**” is set to 0.5. (A Load Factor of 0.5 was used for the Horizontal Prestress_Ringbeam load.) If “**Initial prestress for Ringbeam (ratio)**” is set to a different value then the Ringbeam prestress at **Stage 8** will have a different load accordingly.

Stages 9, 11 and 12 assume that there could be temporary loads on the line where the roof and RingBeam are connected. The loadings for Roof Frame 1, Roof Frame 2 and Roof Frame3 are defined using user inputs. The user needs to input total loading and Modeller will automatically convert this to the equivalent load per unit length according to the length of line the loading is assigned to.

Seismic Analysis

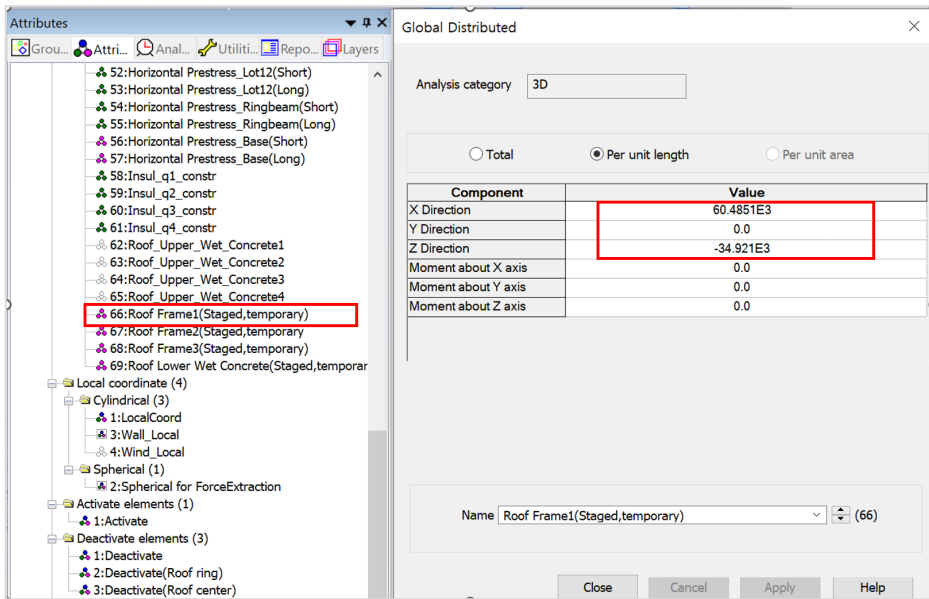


Fig 82 Roof Frame1 Loading

As these loadings are not permanent loading, they are not inherited by the subsequent stages and are marked as ‘temporary’ in the loadcase name.

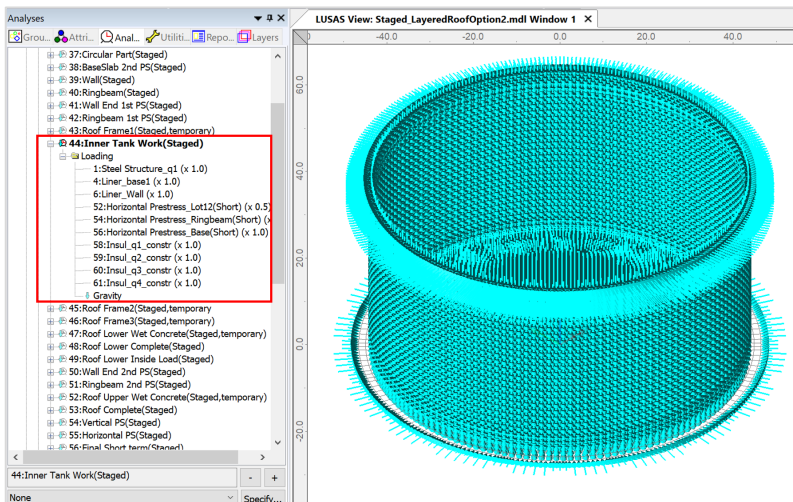


Fig 83 Stage 10 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 10 assumes that the inner tank has been built. All insulation loading except for ‘Roof Liner’ will be defined and assigned at this stage.

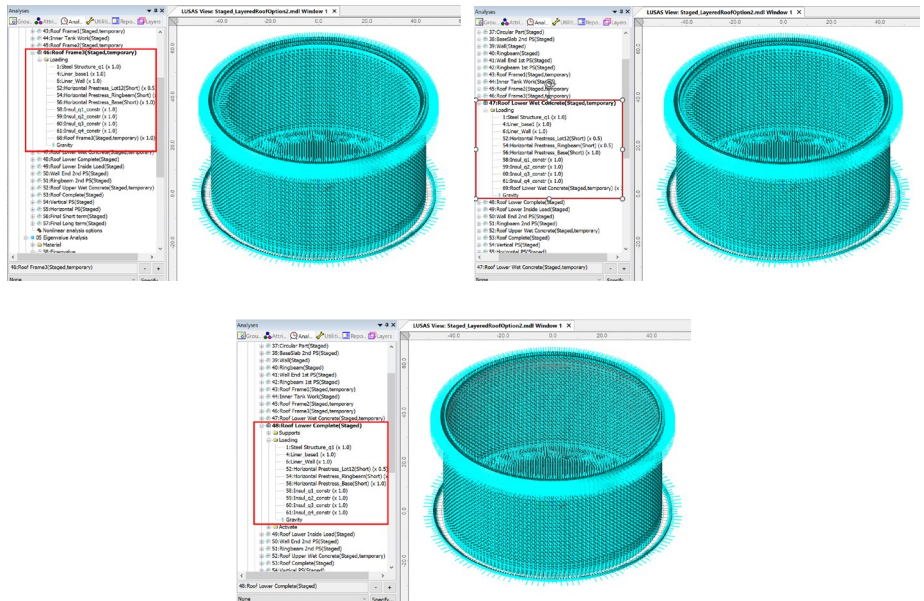


Fig 84 Stage 12-14 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 13 assumes that the lower half of the roof is being built and the poured concrete is acting as a loading on the ringbeam.

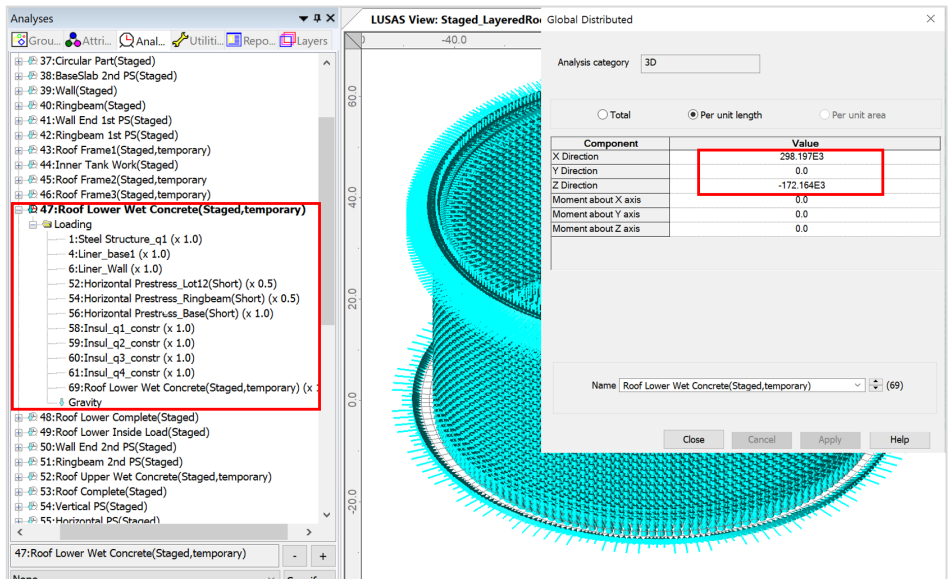


Fig 85 Stage 13 of Staged Construction Analysis

Seismic Analysis

Stage 14 assumes that the lower half of the roof is built (if Roof ratio for 1st built = 0.5 from **Tank Definition**), and the lower part of the roof is newly activated. As shown below, the geometric properties used represent those for only half of the Roof at **stage 14**, only becoming geometric properties for the whole roof at **stage 19**.

Stage 14 assumes that the lower part of roof is completed. At this stage the wet concrete loading assigned at **Stage 13** is removed and replaced with the body force of the lower part of Roof.



Fig 86 Roof Shape at Stage 14 and Stage 19.

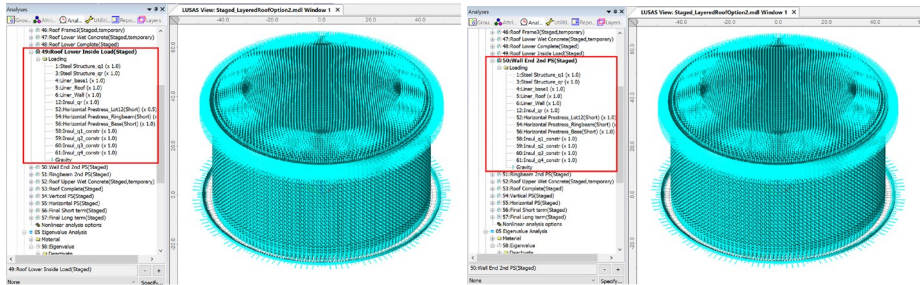


Fig 87 Stage 15 ~ 16 of Staged Construction Analysis

At Stage 16, 50% of additional Prestress for Wall End lot is added. (The Load Factor is updated from 0.5 to 1.0 for Horizontal Prestress_12LOT(Short) load.)

At Stage 17, 50% of additional RingBeam Prestress is added. (The Load Factor is updated from 0.5 to 1.0 for Horizontal Prestress_Ringbeam load.)

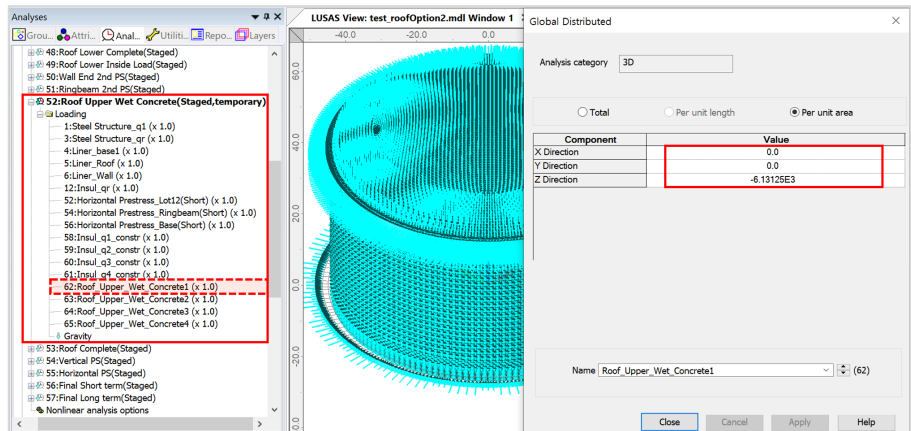


Fig 88 Stage 18 of Staged Construction Analysis

Stage 18 models the upper half of the Roof being built with the poured concrete acting as a load on the already cast lower half of the Roof.

Stage 19 assumes that the upper part of the Roof is now built. The wet concrete loading assigned at **Stage 18** is removed and replaced with the body force of the upper part of the Roof.

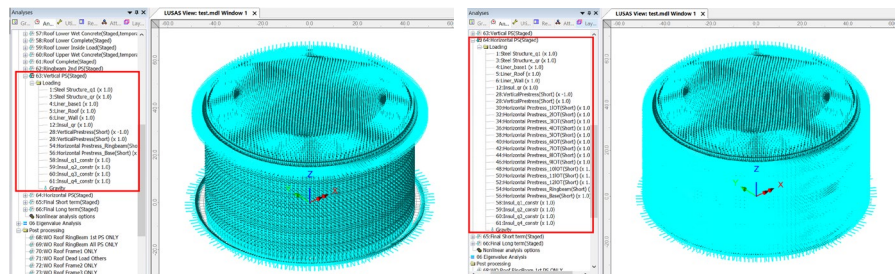


Fig 89 Stage 18 ~ 19 of Staged Construction Analysis

At **Stage 20**, the vertical prestress is added.

At **Stage 21**, all the horizontal prestress for the Wall is added.

Stage 22 is the final stage. The structures are complete as built, and all loadings for the operating condition are added.

Stage 23 models long-term effects. The prestress values are updated to those for long-term PS.

If 'Roof ratio for 1st built' is set to 1, the following sequence for the staged construction analysis will be applied.


Stage	Description	Note
No. 1	Annular part	
No. 2	1) + Base 1 st PS	
No. 3	2) + Circular part	
No. 4	3) + Base 2 nd PS	
No. 5~16	4) + Wall & Ringbeam is added up in stages	
No. 17	16) + Ringbeam 1 st PS	
No. 18	17) + Roof Frame 1	
No. 19	18) + Inner Tank Work	
No. 20	19) + Roof Frame 2	
No. 21	20) + Roof Frame 3	
No. 22	21) + Roof Wet Concrete	
No. 23	22) + Roof Complete	
No. 24	23) + Roof Lower Inside Load	
No. 25	24) + Ringbeam 2 nd PS	
No. 26	25) + Vertical PS	
No. 27	26) + Horizontal PS	
No. 28	27) + Final Short term	
No. 29	28) + Final Long term (Long term PS applied)	

Table 3 Sequence of construction stages (Roof ratio for 1st built = 1)

User Updates

Construction Sequence

If required, additional loadings or stages can be added.

To duplicate loading types within the Analyses  treeview, the Copy and Paste options can be used as shown below. This will create additional stages (loadcases) and include all loadings previously assigned to the copied loadcase.

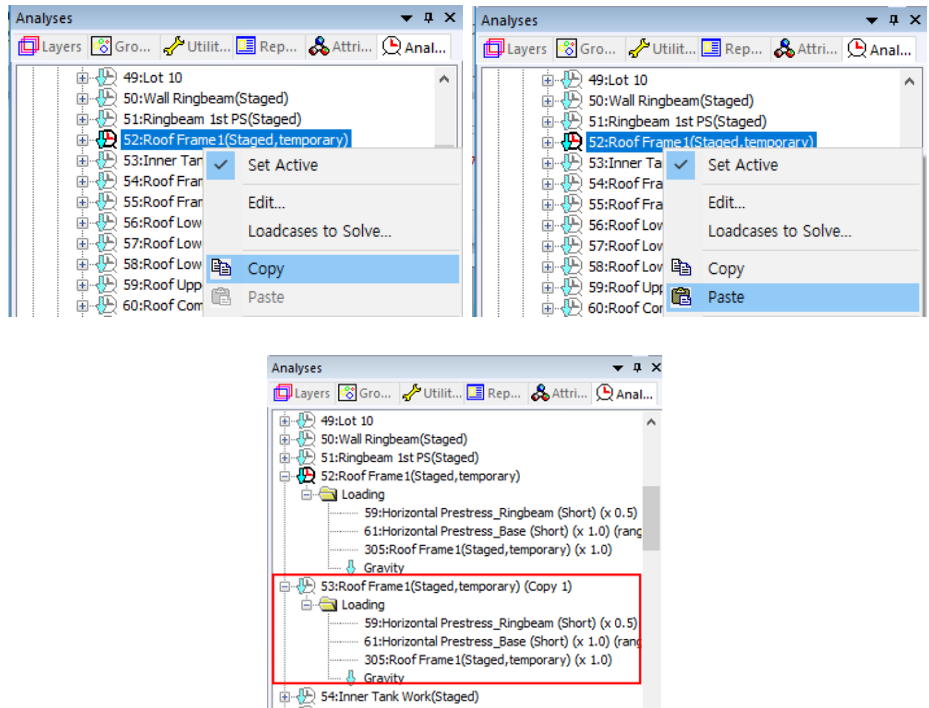


Fig 90 Copy and Paste of Stages (Loadcases)

The required activation/deactivation/loadings/support can now be assigned or removed for this stage. The loadings at other loadcases can be also copied and pasted in the same way if required.

User Updates

Loadings

As discussed, at in the section titled *Staged Construction Analysis*, some loadings may need updated.

Construction Schedule

The duration (length of time) of each stage is set to 10 days by default for all stages. This should be updated to follow the actual construction schedule.

Each stage uses a Nonlinear Control, and both the time and Total Response Time should be updated together.

For example, if the time gap between Stage 6 and Stage 7 needs to be changed to 15 days, Nonlinear Control for Stage 6 should be updated.

Default settings for Stage 6 are shown below.

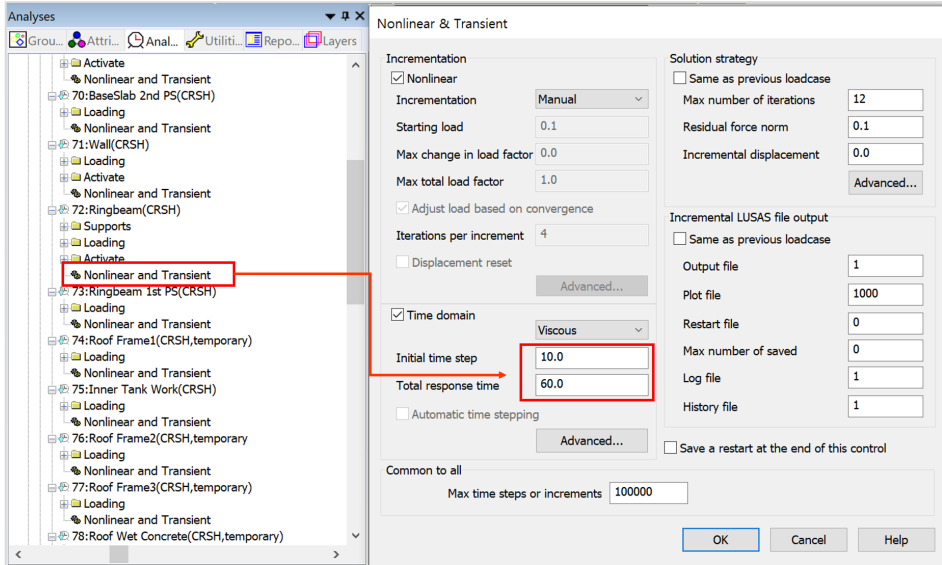


Fig 91 Nonlinear Control for Stage of Ringbeam (Default)

- ❑ **Initial Time Step** : Analysis is performed at every 10 days.
- ❑ **Total Response Time** : This stage lasts up to 60 days from the start of 1st Stage.

The number of days that the current stage lasts for is the Total Response Time of current stage minus Total Response Time of the previous stage.

By modifying **Total Response Time** to 65, this stage lasts for 5 more days. (e.g. a total of 15 days)

Note that the Total Response Time for the subsequent stages should be also updated. Otherwise, the 7th Stage will last only 5 days.

Modifying **Initial Time Step** is optional and depends on the accuracy required. With a smaller time step, the creep and shrinkage material properties are updated frequently (e.g. using smaller time gaps) hence the accuracy would increase, however the solution time will increase accordingly.

Tip

The unit of time is set on the Model Properties dialog by selecting the **File > Model Properties** menu item.

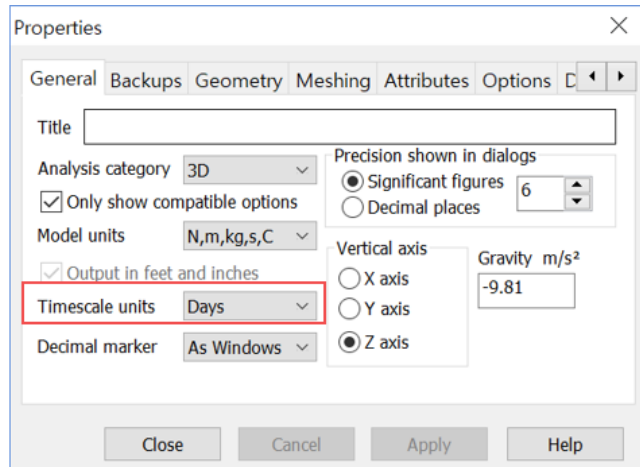


Fig 92 Model Properties

Age

The Wizard built model assumes that each member is activated at the same concrete Age. The Age property represents the concrete age at the time of activation. (i.e. the time gap between pouring the concrete and removal of formwork.) If a different age is required for some members, another Age attribute should be defined and assigned manually for those.

Design Load Combinations

Template for Design Load Combinations

The template for Design Load Combination is saved in the current working folder where the Base Model was built, with the name [Model name]_ComboTemplate.xlsx, as shown below. The template can also be downloaded from the Design Load Combination dialog.

Load Factors Worksheet

Description			Permanent														Variable																
			Outer tank		Others	Creep and Shrinkage		Prestress				Roof frame/ concrete				Text		LNG pressure		Gas pressure		Live Load		Snow Load		Temperature		Wind		OBE			
no.	Code	Details	Outer tank WO	Outer tank WO	Outer tank Full	Others	Early	Late	Rb 1st	Rb All	Rb + Vertical	All PS Early	All PS Late	Roof frame 1	Roof frame 2	1st layer concrete	2nd layer concrete	Hydrostatic	Pneumatic	LNG Max	LNG Min	Gas Max	Gas Min	Live Load (roof)	Snow Load (roof)	Temp Max	Temp Min	Wind Hor	Wind Vert	OBE Hor	OBE Vert		
1	U-C1-1		1.35						1.50																								
2	U-C1-2	WO_roof + RB_1st_PS	1.35						1.00																								
3	U-C1-3		1.00						1.30																								
4	U-C1-4								1.00																								
5	U-C2-1								1.30						1.50																		
6	U-C2-2	WO_roof + RB_1st_PS + Roof_frame_1							1.00						1.50																		
7	U-C2-3		1.00						1.30						1.50																		
8	U-C2-4		1.00						1.00						1.50																		

Fig 93 Template for Design Load Combinations, Load Factors

- Loadcase Index** The numbers in this row are used to match a Modeller loadcase number with a loadcase and its associated details in this template. The row should contain a series of numbers with no duplication.
- Code and Details** Code and Details are used for naming the combination data in Modeller.
- Load Factors** Load factors for each loadcase is defined here.
- Others** All other data are for users reference, and not used for processing.
- Loadcase to consider can be added. (more columns as necessary can be added.)
- Load combinations can be added. (more rows as necessary can be added)

Loadcases Worksheer

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
LC No.	Loadcase Name	Column	Load Category	User Guide for 'Loadcases' sheet								
1	SelfWeight	6	Outer tank Full	1. Loadcase Name (Column B)								
2	Dead Loads of Steel Structure	7	Others	- Should be identical with loadcase name in the model								
3	Dead load of iner and steel roof	7	Others	2. LF column (Column C, Load Factor Column)								
4	Dead load of steel structures on the roof	7	Others	- Refer to the number at 1st row of 'LoadFactors' sheet								
5	Dead load of insulation	7	Others	- Put 0 if the loadcase is not used in the combination.								
6	Pressure on outer tank wall due to insulation	7	Others	3. Note								
7	Wall piping loading	7	Others	- Loadcases not to be used in the combinations can be removed from 'Loadcases' sheet.								
8	Dead load of insulation Constr	0		- Loadcases can be added at any row, as many as required.								
9	Liquid bottom(Max)	22	LNG Max	User Guide for 'LoadFactors' sheet								
10	Liquid bottom(Min)	23	LNG Min	1. LF column index								
11	Liquid wall (Max)	0		- The top line should be maintained with unique number								
12	Liquid wall (Min)	0		2. Code Name / Details								
13	Gas Pressure(Max)	24	Gas Max	- This columns are used for defining the name of combination.								
14	Gas Pressure(Min)	25	Gas Min	3. Note								
15	Live load	26	Live Load (roof)	- Row 2-4 are for user's reference only, and free to update.								
16	Snow load	27	Snow Load (roof)	- Combination data should start from the 5th row.								
17	Test load (Liquid)	20	Hydrostatic	- Loadcases to be factored can be added as many as required.								
18	Test load (Pneumatic)	21	Pneumatic	- Combinations can be added as many as required.								
19	Prestress (Short)	13	All PS Early									
20	Prestress (Long)	14	All PS Late									

Fig 94 Template for Design Load Combinations, Loadcases

- Loadcase Name** The loadcase names defined in Modeller. The loadcase number may change during the process of updating the model, so the loadcase name is used in the definition of the Load Combination. Note that the loadcase names used must be the same as the loadcase names defined in Modeller.
- (LF) Column** This column is used to match a Modeller loadcase to a corresponding loadcase on the LoadFactors worksheet by entering **Loadcase Index** on the LoadFactors worksheet. For example, the Self Weight loadcase in Modeller is used in the 'Outer Tank Full' combination defined in LoadFactors sheet. By entering 0 (zero), the loadcase is ignored and will not be used in the combination.
- Others** All other data are for users reference only, and not used for processing.

Update Base Model

The template is imported into Modeller by selecting the **LNG Tank > Design checks> Design Load Combination...**

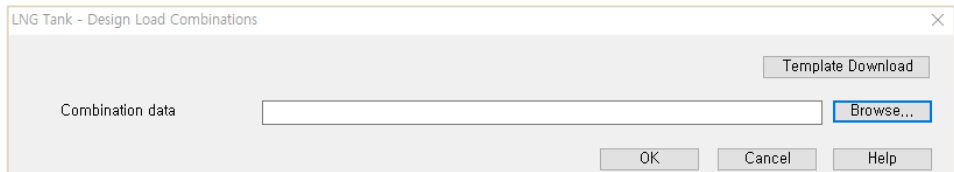


Fig 95 Dialog for Design Load Combination

- Template Download** Downloads the template to be used for creating load combinations to the current working folder.
- Combination data** Select the load combination template.

On re-loading this template, the **Code** and **Details** columns in the **LoadFactors** worksheet will be compared with combination names in Modeller and the load factors will be updated. If any new combinations are present, they will be added. However, any existing combinations will not be deleted.

The design load combinations are created as shown below.

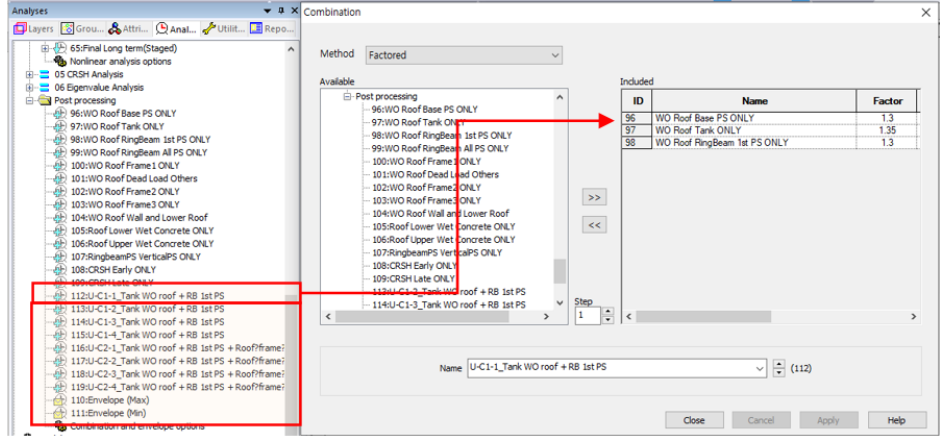


Fig 96 Load Combinations Created in Modeller

Design Check

COP Parameters

Design code parameters can be defined by the selecting the menu item **LNG Tank > Design Checks > Enable...**

Fig 97 Dialog for Design Parameters – EN1992-1-1 (2005)

- ❑ **Partial Factors for Materials:** The partial factors for materials are defined based on Table 2.1N on EN1992. For Persistent & Transient, 1.5, 1.15, 1.15 are given to γ_c for concrete, γ_s for reinforcing steel, γ_s for prestressing steel respectively. For Accidental, 1.2, 1.0, 1.0 are given.
- ❑ **Yield Stress of Reinforcement (fy) :** Yield strength of reinforcing steel in MPa.

- Yield Stress of Tendon (fyp)** : Yield strength of prestressing steel in MPa.
- Elastic Modulus of reinforcement (Es)** : Elastic Modulus of reinforcing steel in MPa.
- Elastic Modulus of Tendon (Ep)** : Elastic Modulus of prestressing steel in MPa
- Roof concrete grade** : Concrete strength in MPa.
- Wall concrete grade** : Concrete strength in MPa.
- Base concrete grade** : Concrete strength in MPa.
- Long term effect coeff. (α_{ce})** : Long term effect coefficient (EN1991 only)

- Max Concrete Compressive Strain** : Ultimate strain at concrete failure (ACI 318-14 only)
- Yield Stress of Reinforcement (fy)** : Yield strength of reinforcing steel in MPa.
- Yield Stress of Tendon (fyp)** : Yield strength of prestressing steel in MPa.
- Tensile strength of tendon (fpu)** : Tensile strength of prestressing steel in MPa. (ACI 318-14 only)
- Computation Target** : The design check computations will be performed for the targets of
 - **Default**: The node at $Y=0$ and $X \geq 0$.
 - **Selected**: The nodes that user selected before opening this dialog
 - **Visible**: All visible nodes in Modeller.
- fse is used and PS is being applied as an external loading**
 - When 'fse' is specified in the **reinforcement template** and the PS being applied as external loading, the code-checking that creates the PM chart will double count the PS effect.
 - Ticking this option shifts the results to avoid double counting the PS effect.
 - When a loadcase (or load combination) does not have PS as external loading, this option should be disabled (unticked).
 - It makes no difference if 'fse' is not specified in the **reinforcement template**.

LNG Tank - Design Code ×

Design parameters

Design code ACI318_14 ▾

Steel

Yield stress of tendon (fyp) MPa

Tensile strength of tendon (fpu) MPa

Elastic modulus of tendon (Ep) MPa

Concrete

Roof concrete grade MPa

Wall concrete grade MPa

Slab concrete grade MPa

Max concrete compressive strain (e_cu)

Computation target for visualization

Angle (e.g 0;90;100) Selected Visible

fse is used and PS is being applied as an external loading (Shift will be applied to results)

Exclude base slab results at pile heads and walls

Assumed diameter at crosswise piles [m]

Assumed diameter at circumferential piles [m]

Defaults

Fig 98 Dialog for Design Parameters – ACI318_14

- Yield Stress of Tendon (fyp)** : Yield strength of prestressing steel in MPa.
- Tensile strength of tendon (fpu)** : Tensile strength of prestressing steel in MPa. (ACI 318-14 only)
- Max Concrete Compressive Strain** : Ultimate strain at concrete failure (ACI 318-14 only)

LNG Tank - Design Code

Design parameters

Design code: GB50010-2010

General

Loading conditions: Persisten/Transient

Significance coefficient (γ_0): 1.0

Uncertainty coefficient (γ_{Rd}): 1.0

Stability coefficient (ϕ): 1.0

Steel

Prestressed reinforcement type: Strand1860

Area of shear reinforcement per surface area [mm^2/m^2]: 0.0

Concrete

Roof concrete grade: C40

Wall concrete grade: C50

Slab concrete grade: C40

Advanced

Axial stress tolerance (% of f_c): 1.0

Computation target for visualization

Angle 0 (e.g 0;90;100) Selected Visible

fse is used and PS is being applied as an external loading (Shift will be applied to results)

Exclude base slab results at pile heads and walls

Assumed diameter at crosswise piles: 0 [m]

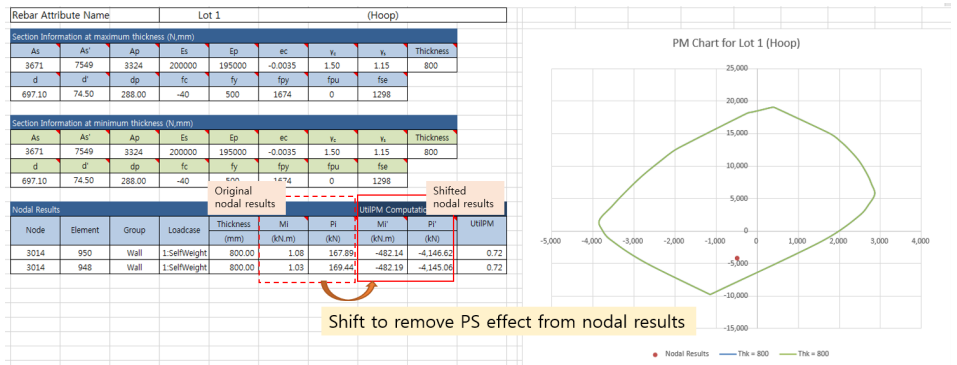
Assumed diameter at circumferential piles: 0 [m]

Defaults OK Cancel Help

Fig 99 Dialog for Design Parameters – GB5001-2010

- ❑ **Loading conditions** : This is used to identify if the design values or the characteristic values of the materials should be used, in accordance with clause 3.3.4;
- ❑ **Significance coefficient(γ_0)** : In line with clause 3.3.2, the design loads are multiplied by the significance coefficient of the structure;
- ❑ **Uncertainty coefficient (γ_{Rd})t** : In line with clause 3.3.2, the design resistance should be divided by the uncertainty coefficient. Note that when “Seismic” is selected in the loading conditions droplist, this is renamed to “Seismic adjustment coefficient (γ_{RE})”

- ❑ **Stability coefficient(ϕ)** : This is defined in clause 6.2.15 and is used for the calculation of the pure compression capacity in accordance with that same section;
- ❑ **Conventional reinforcement type**: Based on the reinforcement type selected, the elastic modulus and yield strengths of the conventional reinforcement are calculated
- ❑ **Prestressed reinforcement type** : Based on the prestressed reinforcement type selected, the elastic modulus and yield strengths of the tendons are calculated
- ❑ **Area of shear reinforcement per surface area(mm^2/m^2)**:
- ❑ **Concrete grade for roof/wall/slab**: This was added, since [C1] defines the design concrete strength (Table 4.1.4-1) based on the concrete grade
- ❑ **Axial stress tolerance (% of f_c)**:



- Shifted force, $P_i' = P_i - f_{se} * A_{pd}$
- Shifted moment, $M_i' = M_i - f_{se} * A_{pd} * e_{cc_ps}$

Design Checks for Tank

Once design code parameters have been defined and the OK button is pressed a **Tank Design** Entity will then be available for selection in relevant result processing dialogs. The associated available components are shown below.

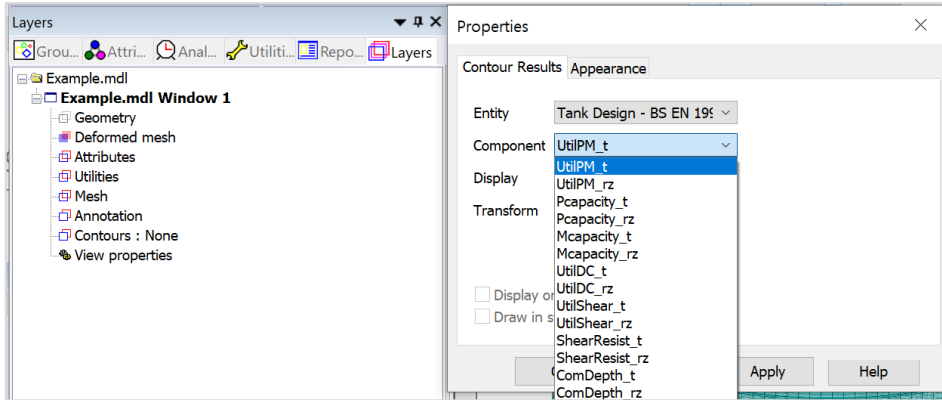


Fig 100 Components for Design Checks

Whenever a results component is chosen, or a loadcase is set active, the design check for a selected component will take place. Design checks are carried out on a node-by-node basis using analysis results and relevant design code formulae.

UtilIPM (PM Utilization)

UtilIPM can be checked with reference to a PM chart, as illustrated below. A value of less than 1 means it satisfies the design code.

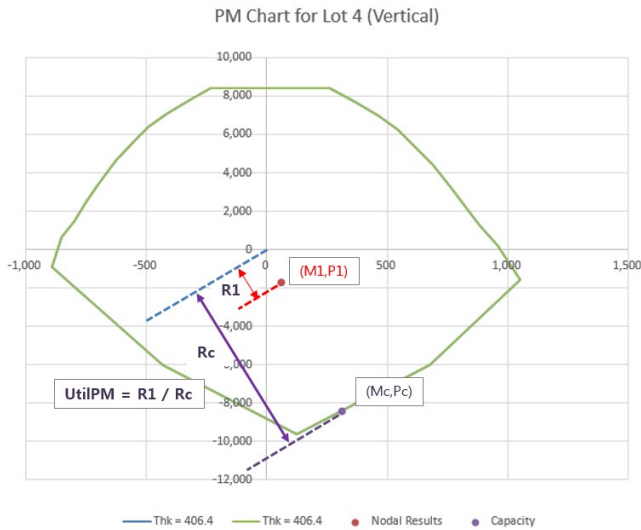


Fig 101 Definition of UtilIPM

- ❑ **UtilPM_t** is the force and moment utilization in the hoop direction, and **UtilPM_{rz}** is the utilization in the radial direction for the Roof and Base Slab and for the vertical direction for the Wall.
- ❑ **Pcapacity_t** and **Pcapacity_{rz}** is for the computed P_c at the given $P1/M1$ slope, **Mcapacity_t**, **Mcapacity_{rz}** is for the M_c at the given $P1/M1$ slope.

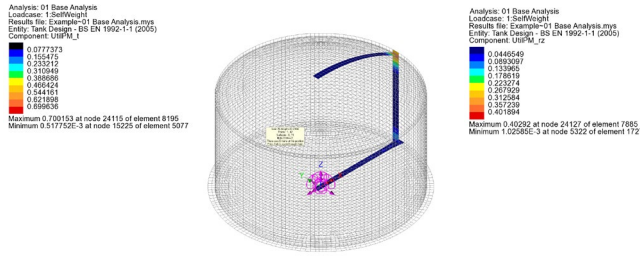


Fig 102 Contour for UtilPM_t, UtilPM_{rz}

UtilDC (Decompression Utilization)

UtilDC aims to check if 25mm of concrete around a tendon is in compression. UtilDC is only available if EN1992 is chosen, and a value of less than 1 means it satisfies the design code.

The UtilDC calculation assumes the stress distribution through the thickness is linear.

Design Check

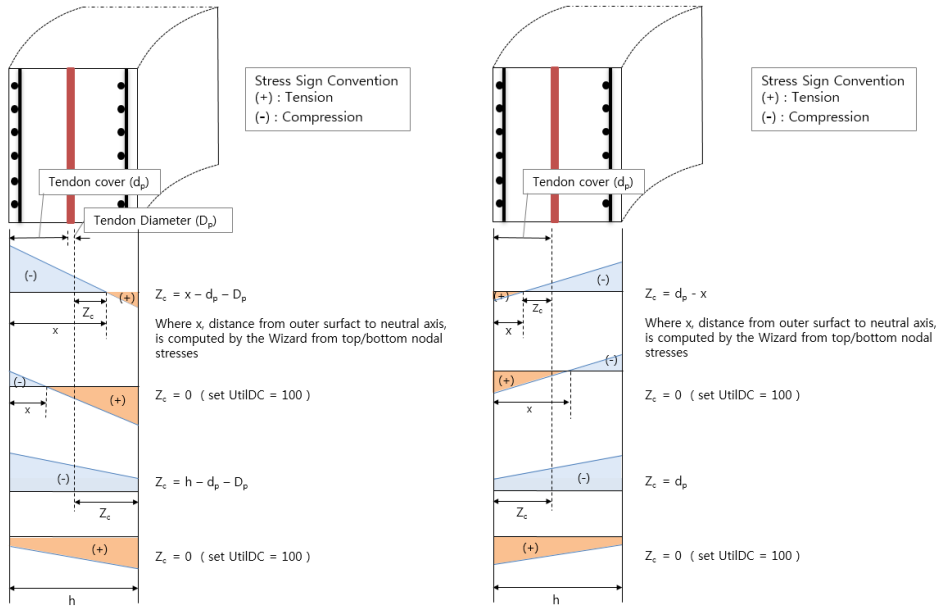


Fig 103 Z_c for Decompression Check

The tendon cover (d_p) is the distance from outer surface to the tendon surface.

When the section is fully in compression the maximum value is set to 100. (ie. if $Z_c \leq 0.25\text{mm}$, UtilDC becomes 100.)

$$\text{UtilDC} = Z_{\text{dec}} / Z_c = 25 / Z_c.$$

- **UtilDC_t** is the tendon and stress utilization in the hoop direction, and **UtilDC_rz** is the utilization in the radial direction for the Roof and Base Slab, and in the vertical direction for the Wall.

UtilDC is only available for sections that contain prestress tendons. In the hoop direction, **UtilDC_t** is available for Wall and Slab. In the radial and vertical direction, **UtilDC_rz** is available only for Wall.

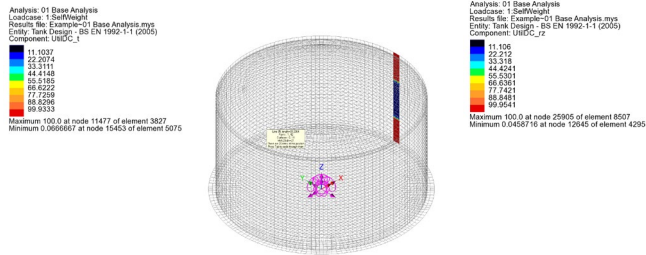


Fig 104 Contours for UtilDC_t, UtilDC_rz

If concrete at the prestress tendon location is in tension UtilDC is set to 100.

ShearResist (Shear Resistances)

Shear capacity for the tank components is based on concrete shear resistance as per COP specifications.

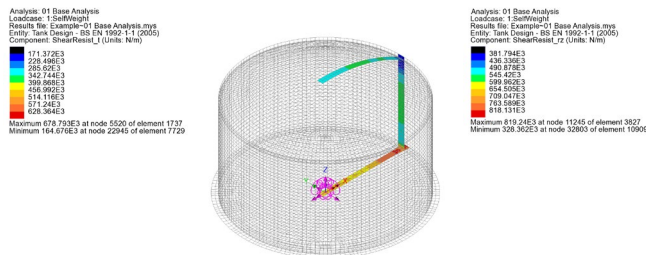


Fig 105 Contour for ShearResist_t, ShearResist_rv

UtilShear (Shear Utilization)

Shear utilisation factors are given as the absolute ratio between the shear forces (S_p , S_t , S_z , S_r) and the relevant shear resistances (ShearResist_t and ShearResist_rz). A value for UtilShear > 1 denotes failure in shear.

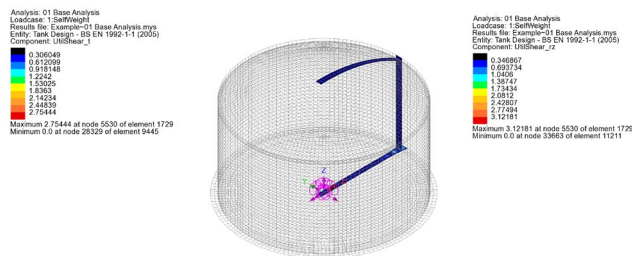


Fig 106 Contour for UtilShear_t, UtilShear_rv

PM Chart Report

A spreadsheet report that includes a PM chart can be produced by selecting the menu item **LNG Tank > Design Checks> Design Check Report ...**

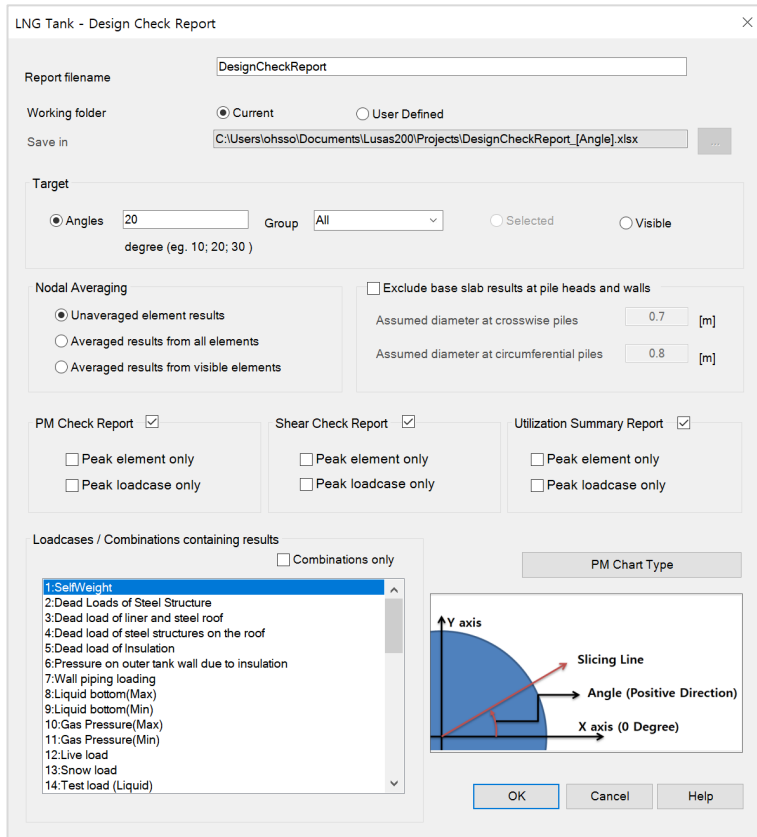


Fig 107 Dialog for Design Check Report with PM Chart

- ❑ **Report Target** The design check computations will be performed for the targets of
 - **Default:** The node at $Y=0$ and $X \geq 0$.
 - **Selected :** Any nodes that were selected before opening this dialog
 - **Visible:** All visible nodes in Modeller.

If 'Default' is selected for Report Target, pre-defined target nodes will be used for each of the 15 types of different reinforcement arrangements in the current model, and the

report will contain 30 worksheets for producing PM charts for two directions (hoop/vertical or hoop/radial) for all 15 rebar arrangements.

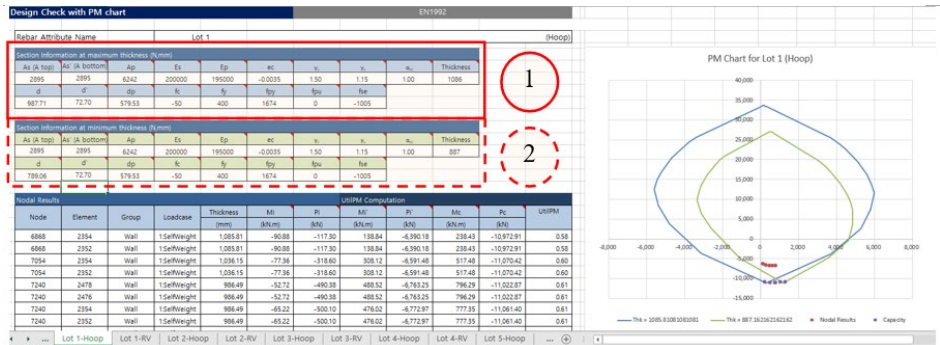


Fig 108 Design Check Report with PM Chart for Lot 1

- Section Information at maximum thickness (1)** The maximum thickness from the selected nodes is printed, for which the PM chart is displayed.
- Section Information at minimum thickness (2)** The minimum thickness from the selected nodes is printed, for which the PM chart is displayed.
- Node** Node number for UtilPM computation
- Element** Element numbers sharing the node
- Group** Group name where the node is included in.
- Thickness** Section thickness at the node location
- Mi** Bending moment at the node
- Pi** Axial force at the node
- Mi', Pi'** The shifted Mi, Pi when 'fse is used and PS is being applied as an external loading' option is ticked from the Design Code dialog.
- UtilPM** PM Utilization
- PM Chart** Two PM Charts are presented; one for the maximum thickness section, the other for minimum thickness section of the selected nodes. The value for Pcapacity in Modeller has different sign from the value of Pcapacity stated in the PM report

Design Checks for RC Slab

Design checks for RC Slab is for concrete crack checks. By selecting the **Design>RC Slab Design** menu item, followed by an appropriate design code, a number of other design checks are available. For more information, please refer to the LUSAS user manual.

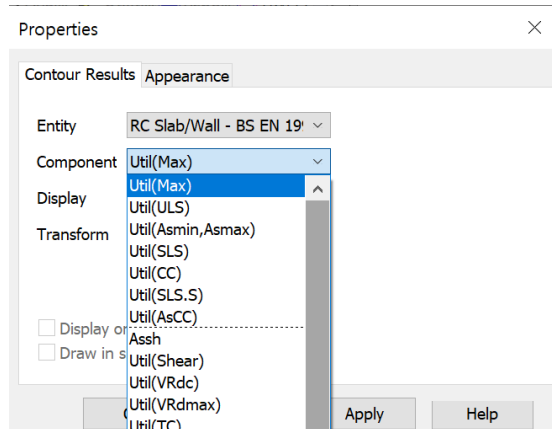
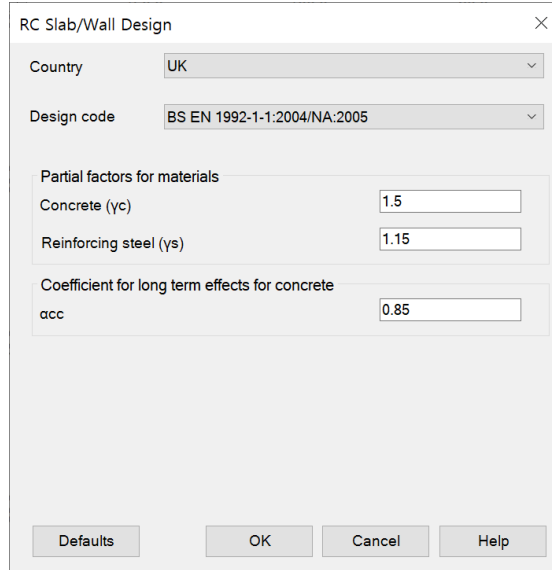


Fig 109 Dialog for RC Slab Design and Result Components (1)

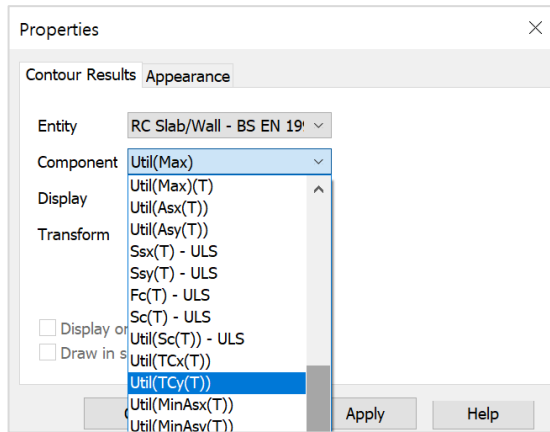


Fig 110 Dialog for RC Slab Design and Result Components (2)



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