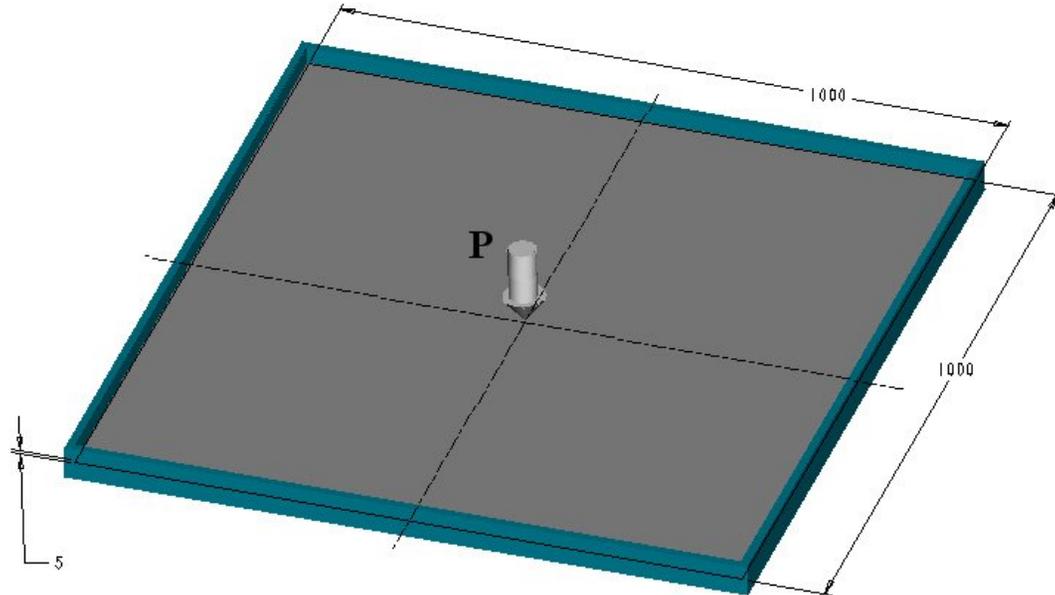


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# Example – Plate



## Objective:

Plot the P-U curve for the nonlinear behaviour

## Tasks:

Model the geometry

Run a static linear analysis

Run the nonlinear analysis

$$E = 210000\text{N/mm}^2$$

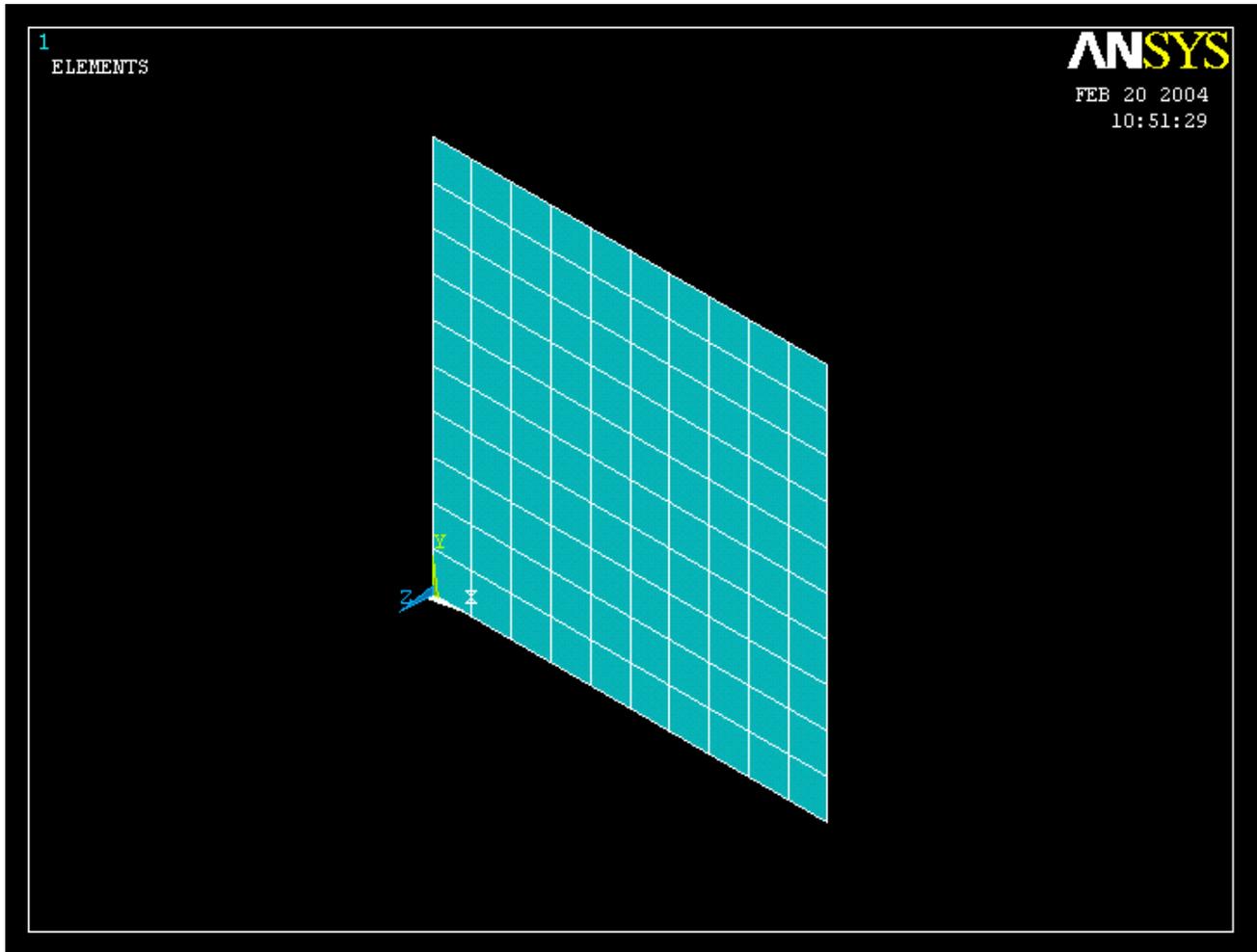
$$\nu = 0.3$$

$$L = 1000\text{mm}$$

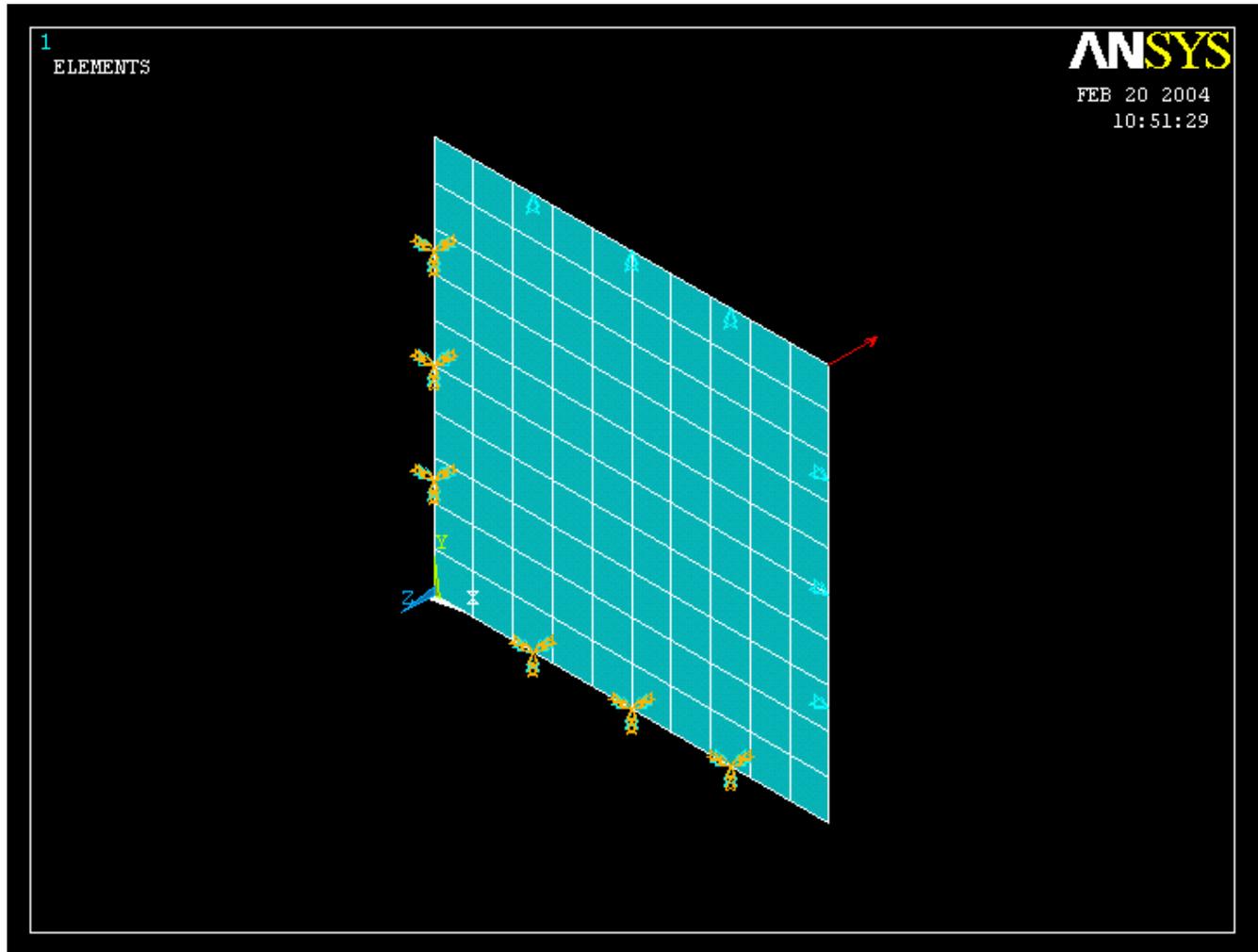
$$t = 5\text{mm}$$

$$F = 10000\text{N}$$

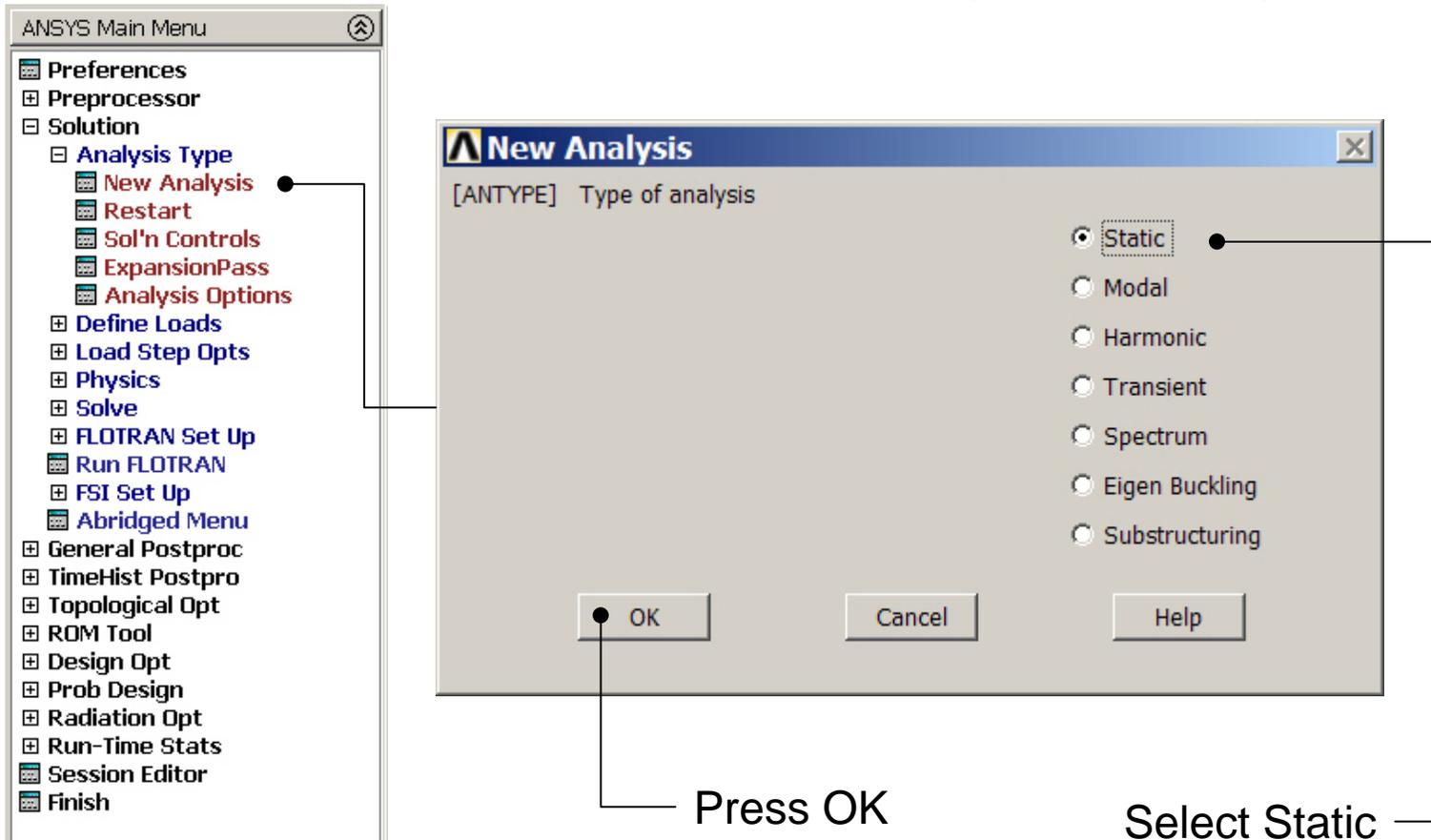
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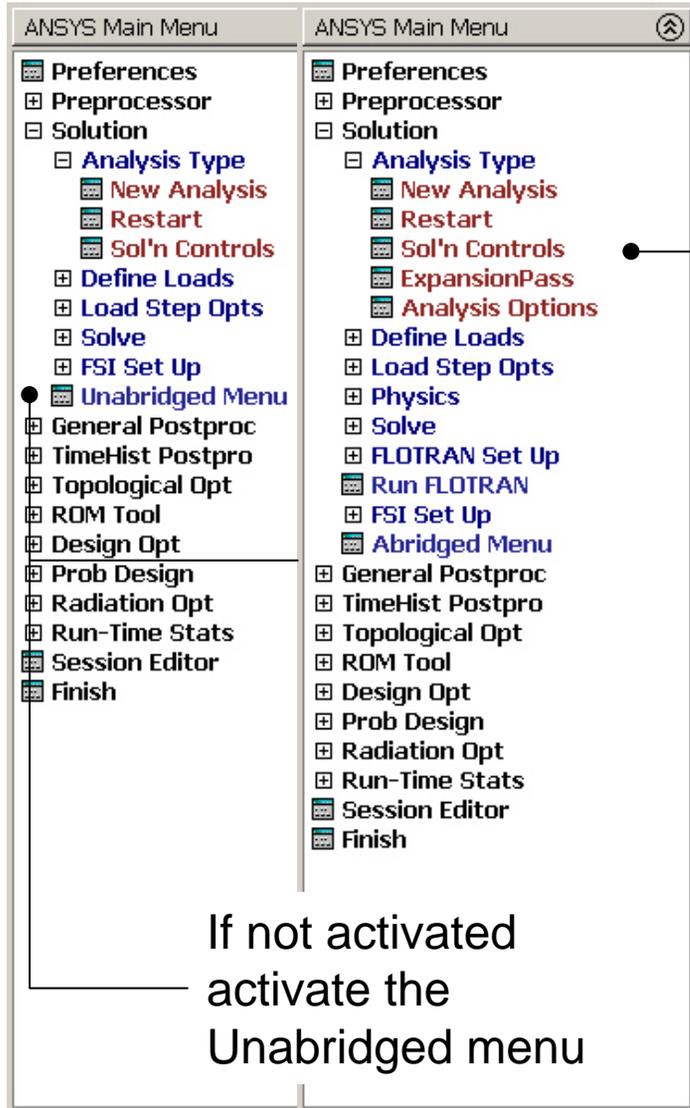
# Example - Plate



# Example – Analysis Type



# Static solution – Analysis Options

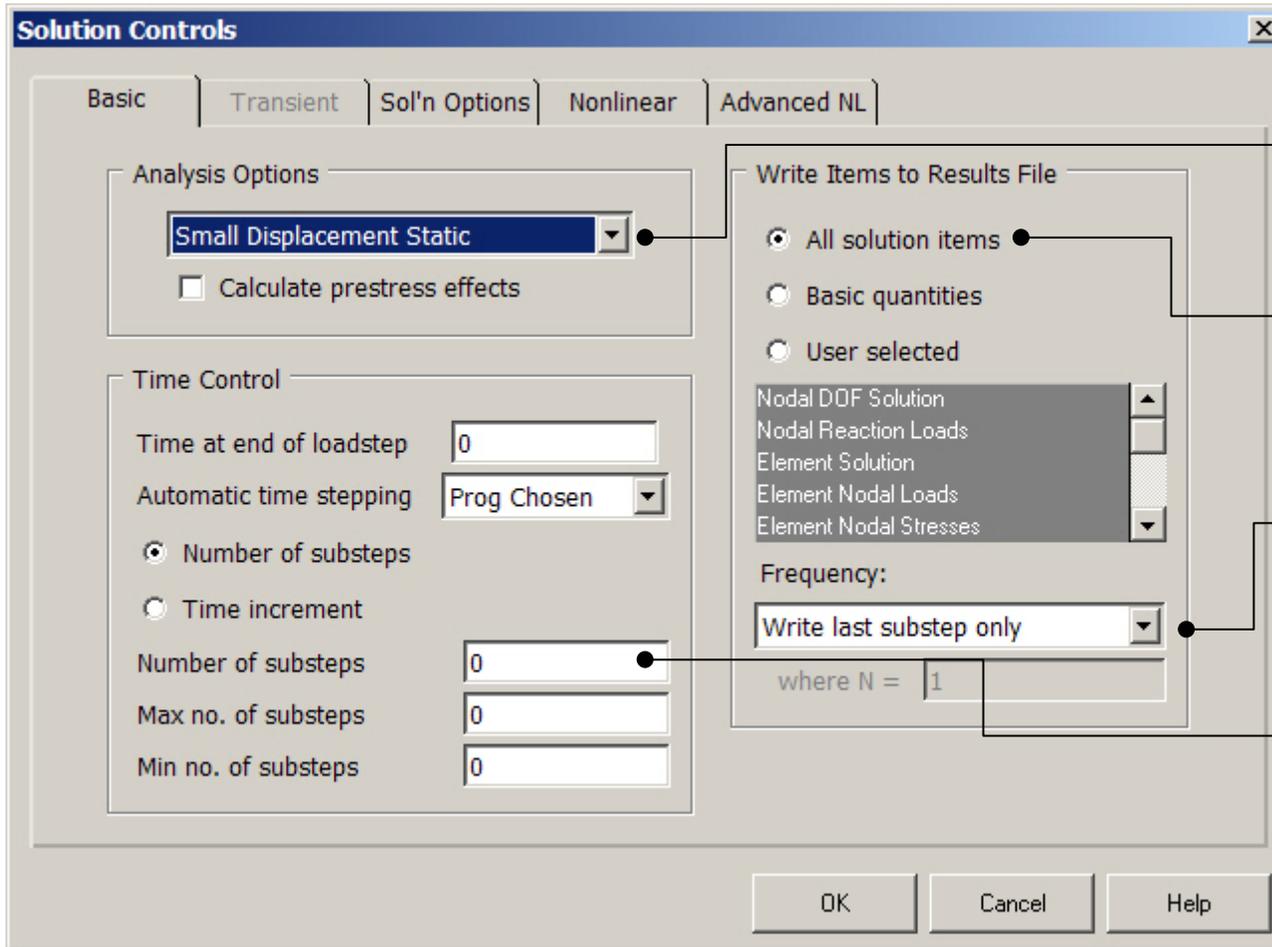


Select Sol'n Controls

If not activated  
activate the  
Unabridged menu

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# Example – Solution Controls



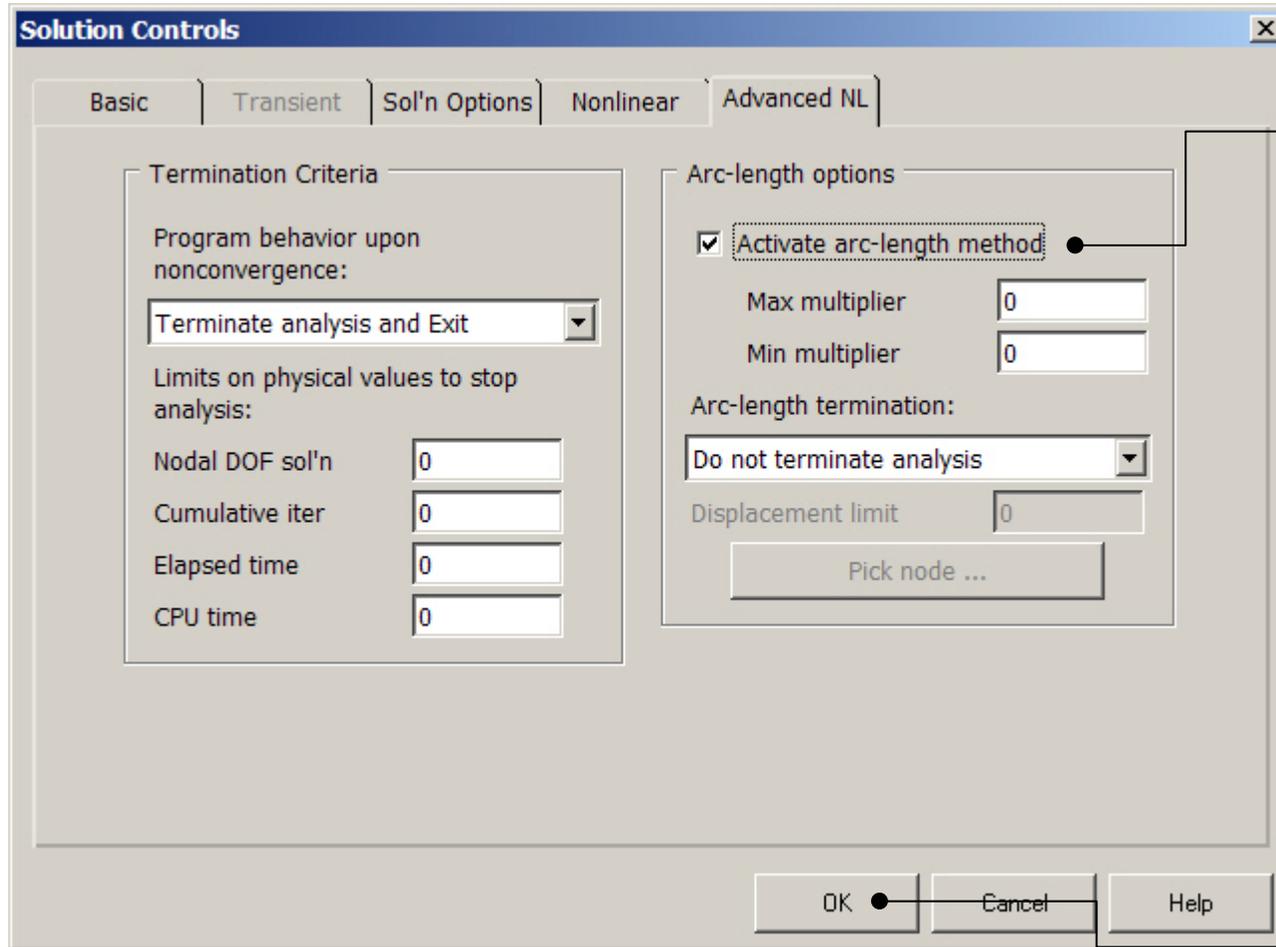
Change to Large Displacement Static

Select All solution items

Select Write every Nth substeps

Enter 30

# Example – Solution Controls



Activate the arc-length method

Press OK

# Example – OutputCtrls

The image shows the ANSYS Main Menu on the left and the 'Controls for Database and Results File Writing' dialog box on the right. The dialog box is titled '[OUTRES] Controls for Database and Results File Writing'. It has a table with columns 'Item' and 'Item to be controlled'. The 'Item' column contains 'FREQ' (File write frequency). The 'Item to be controlled' column has a dropdown menu set to 'All items'. Below the table, there are radio buttons for 'Reset', 'None', 'At time points', 'Last substep', 'Every substep' (which is selected), and 'Every Nth substep'. There is a text input field for 'Value of N' with the instruction '(Use negative N for equally spaced data)'. Below that is a dropdown menu for 'Cname' (Component name) set to 'All entities'. At the bottom are buttons for 'OK', 'Apply', 'Cancel', and 'Help'. Lines with dots connect the 'DB/Results File' menu item to the dialog, the 'All items' dropdown to the text 'Set to All', the 'Every substep' radio button to the text 'Select Every substep', and the 'OK' button to the text 'Press OK'.

ANSYS Main Menu

- Preferences
- Preprocessor
- Solution
  - Analysis Type
  - Fast Sol'n Optn
  - Define Loads
  - Load Step Opts
    - OutputCtrls**
      - Solu Printout
      - Grph Solu Track
      - DB/Results File**
      - Show Status
      - PGR File
      - Incl Mass Summary
      - Integration Pt
    - Solution Ctrl
    - Time/Frequenc
    - Nonlinear
    - ExpansionPass
    - Other
    - Reset Options
    - Read LS File
    - Write LS File
    - Initial Stress
  - Physics
  - Solve
  - FLOTRAN Set Up
  - Run FLOTRAN
  - FSI Set Up
  - ADAMS Connection
  - Abridged Menu
  - General Postproc
  - TimeHist Postpro
  - Topological Opt

Controls for Database and Results File Writing

[OUTRES] Controls for Database and Results File Writing

Item	Item to be controlled
FREQ	File write frequency

Value of N  
(Use negative N for equally spaced data)

Cname Component name -  
- for which above setting is to be applied

OK Apply Cancel Help

Set to All

Press OK

Select Every substep

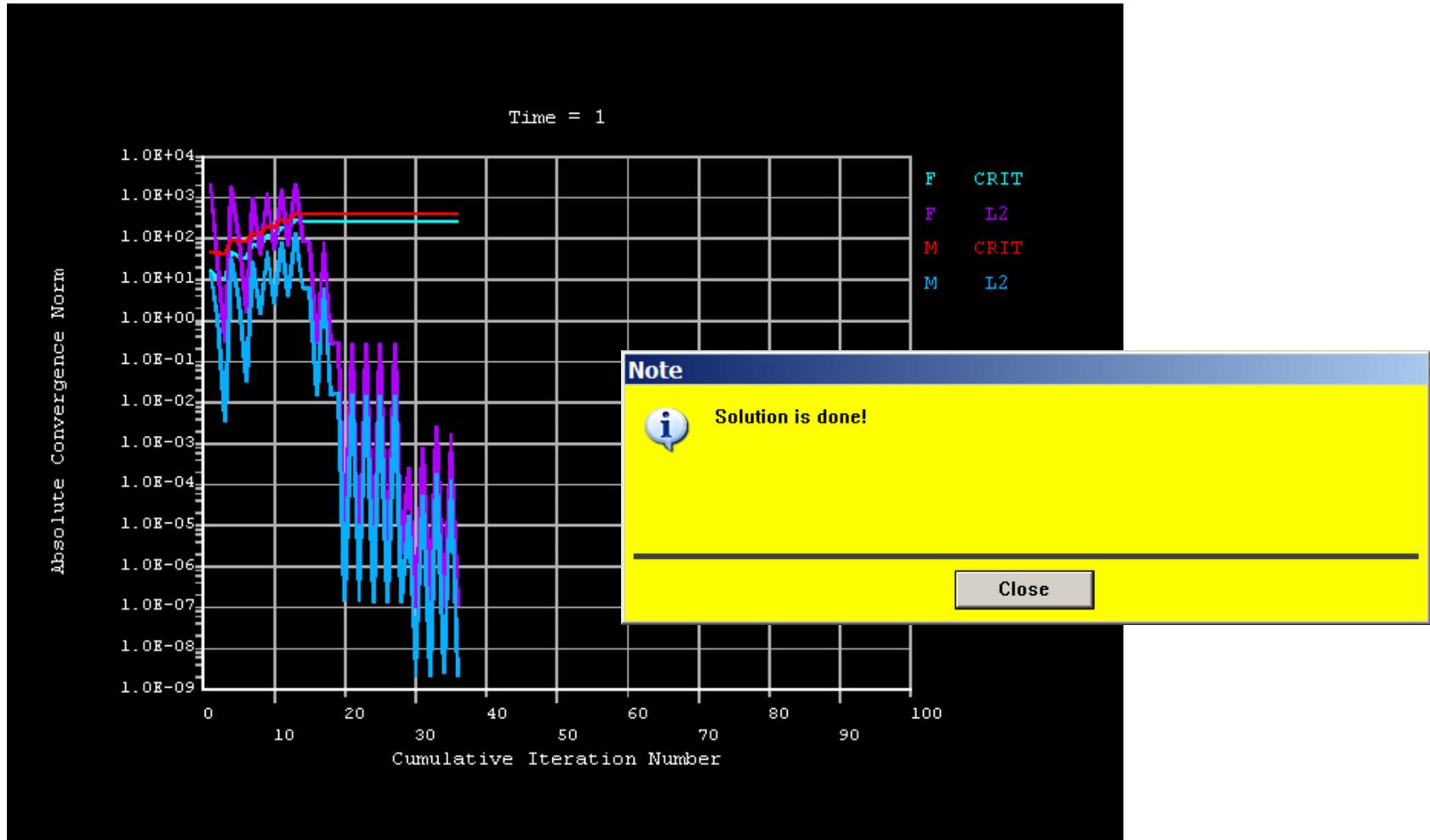
# Example - Solve

**Solution > Solve > Current LS**

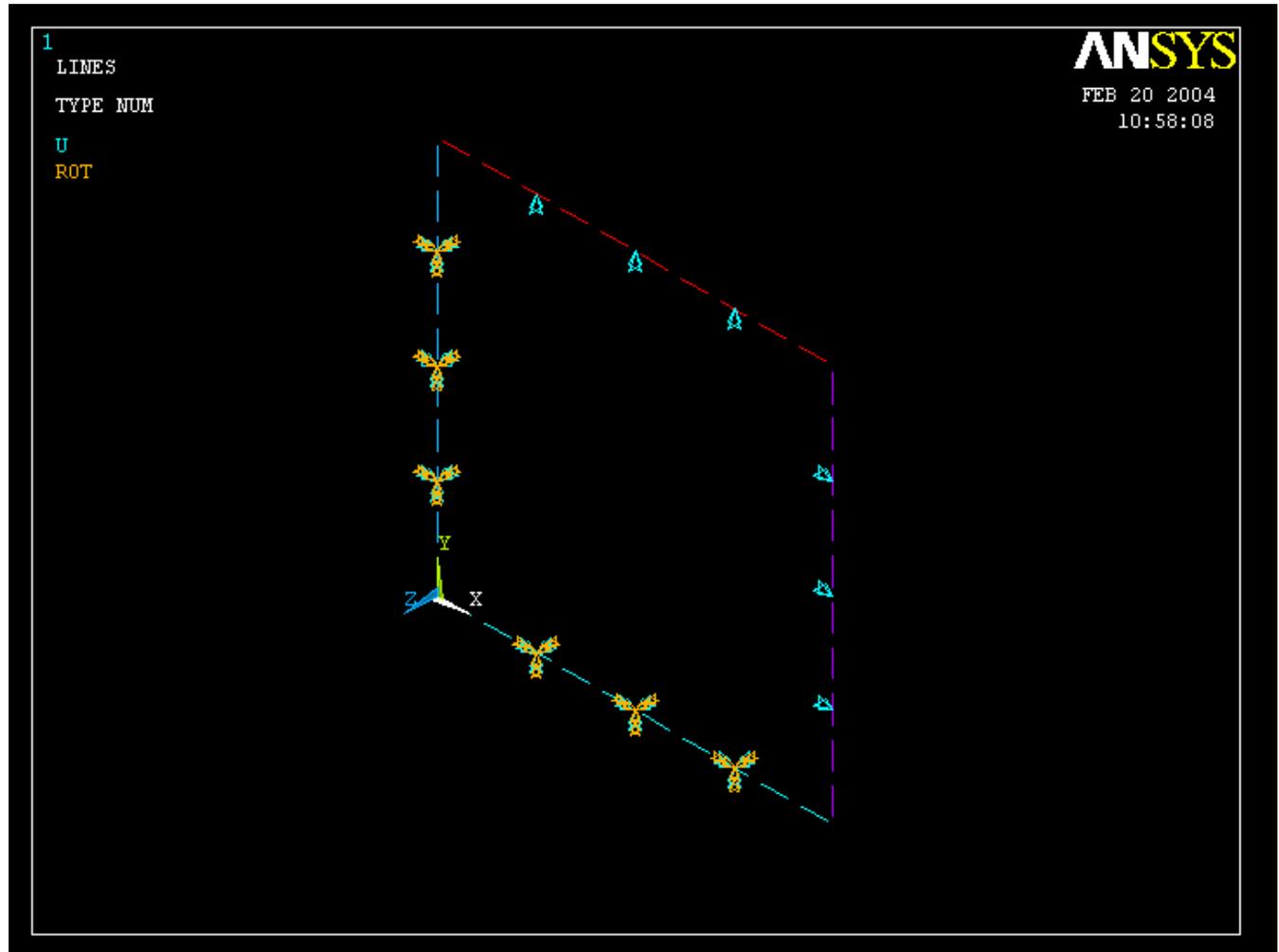
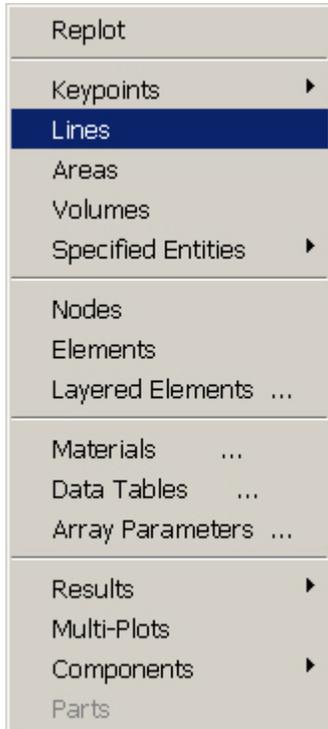


Press OK

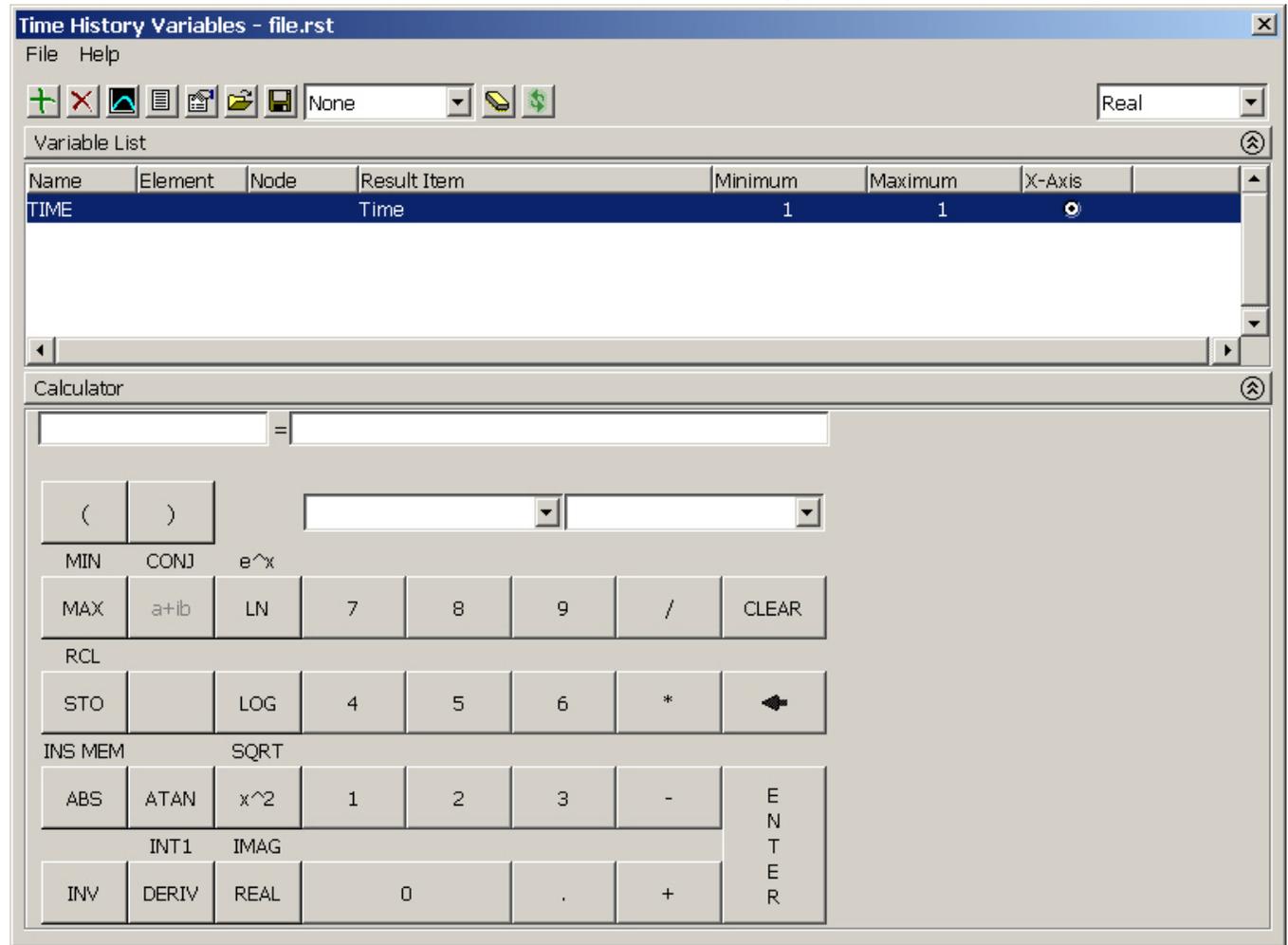
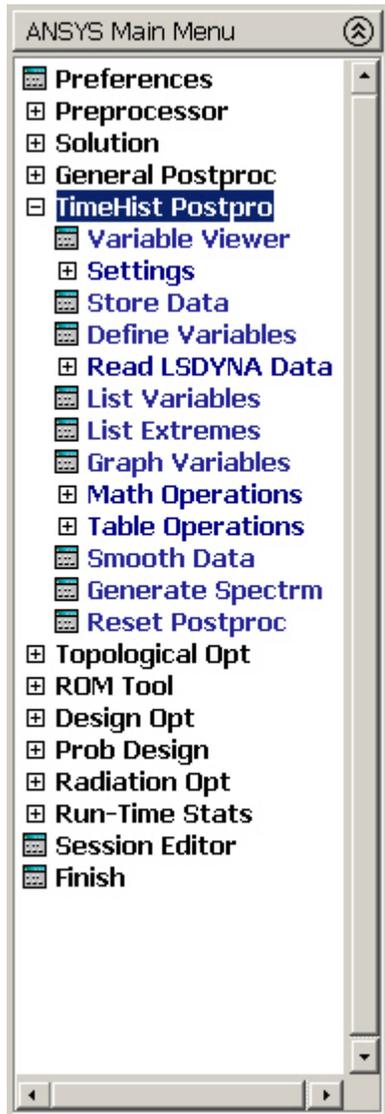
# Example - Convergence



# Example – Plot - Lines

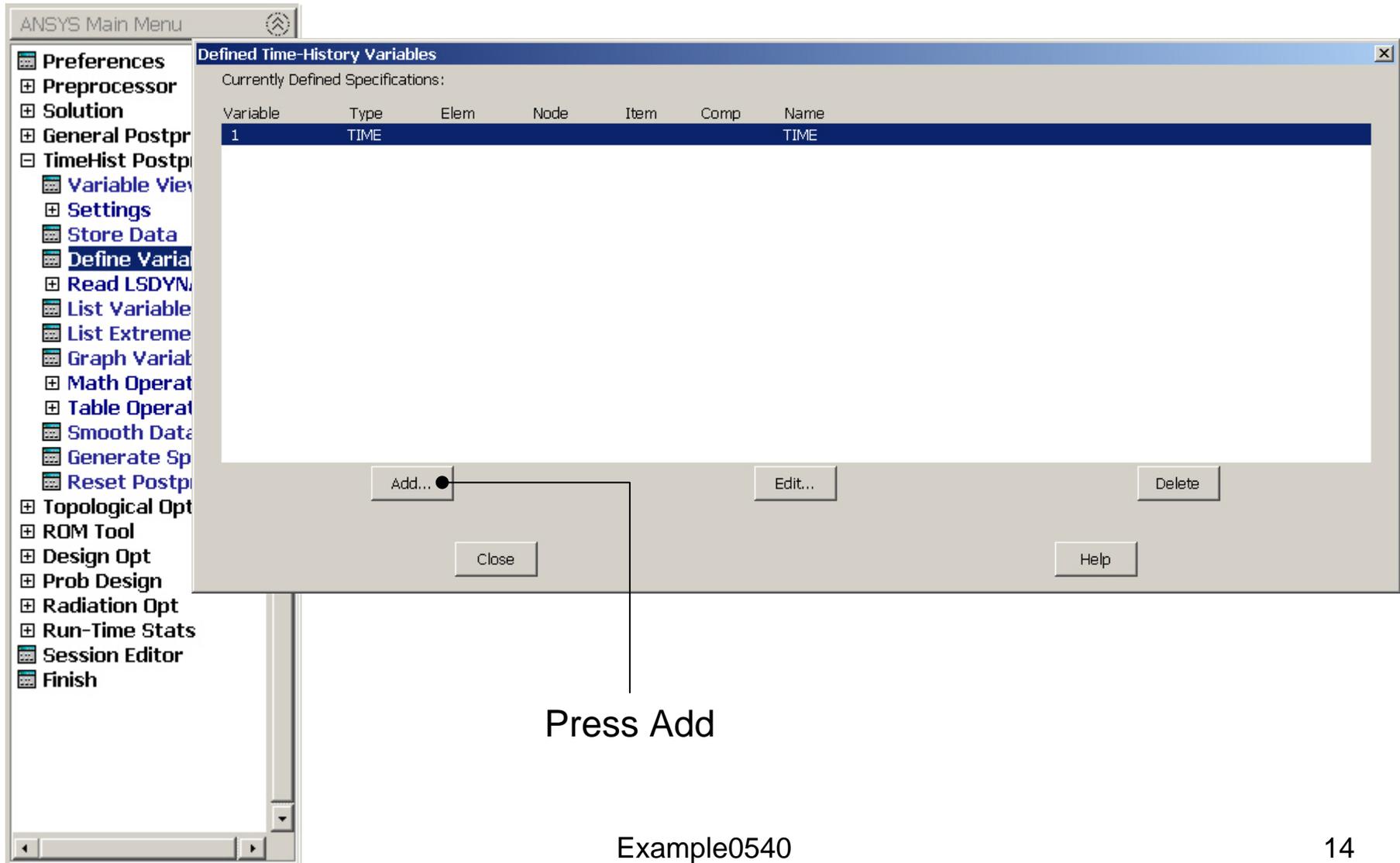


# Example – TimeHistory Postpro

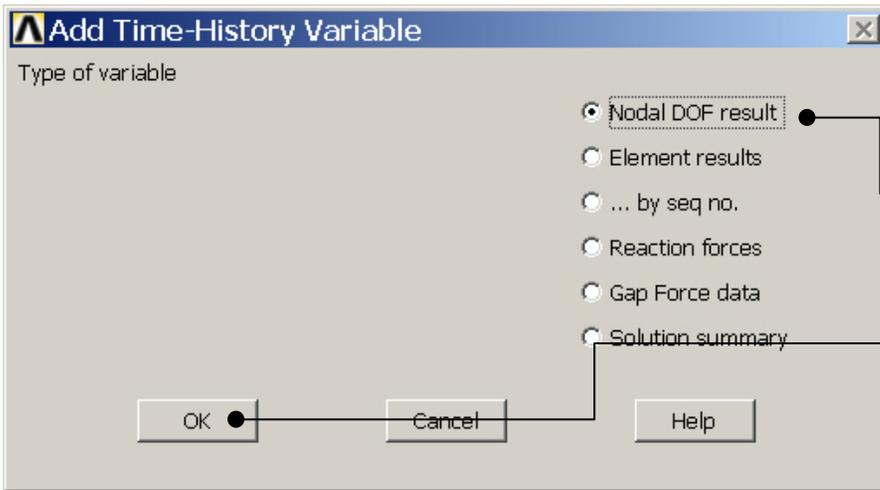


Close this dialog box

# Example – Define Variables



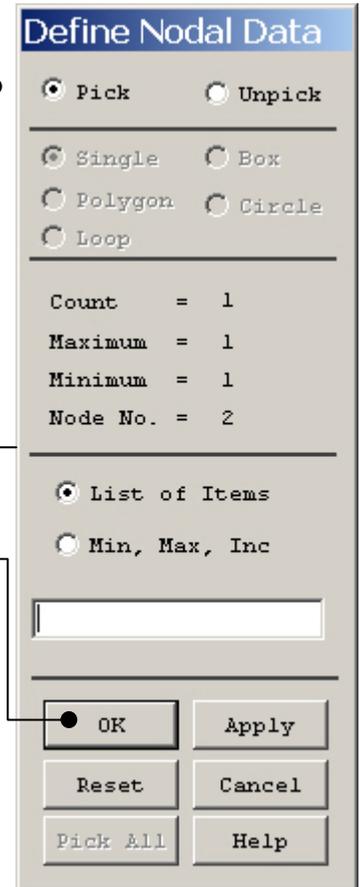
# Example – Add Time-History Var.



Pick the top right node

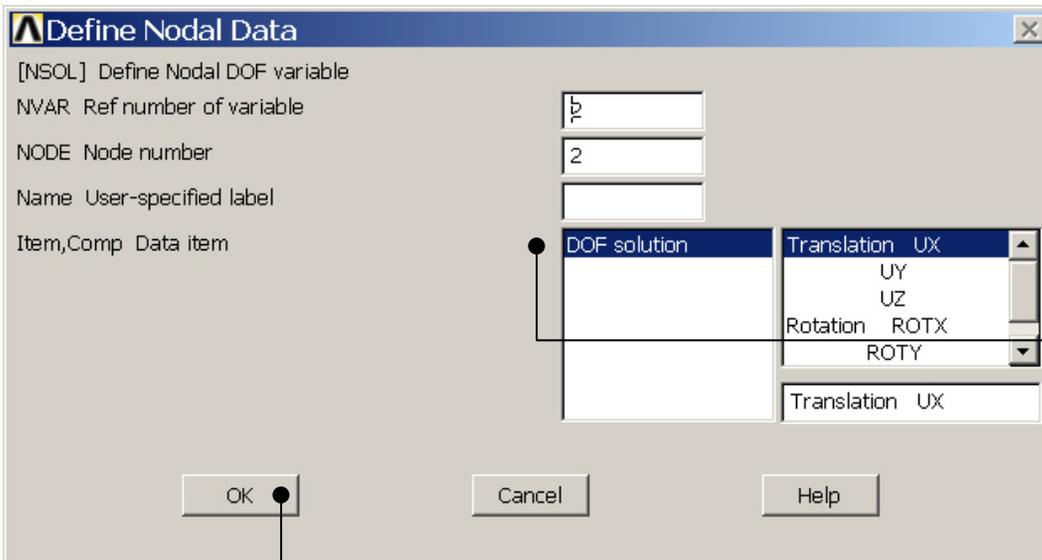
Select Nodal DOF result

Press OK



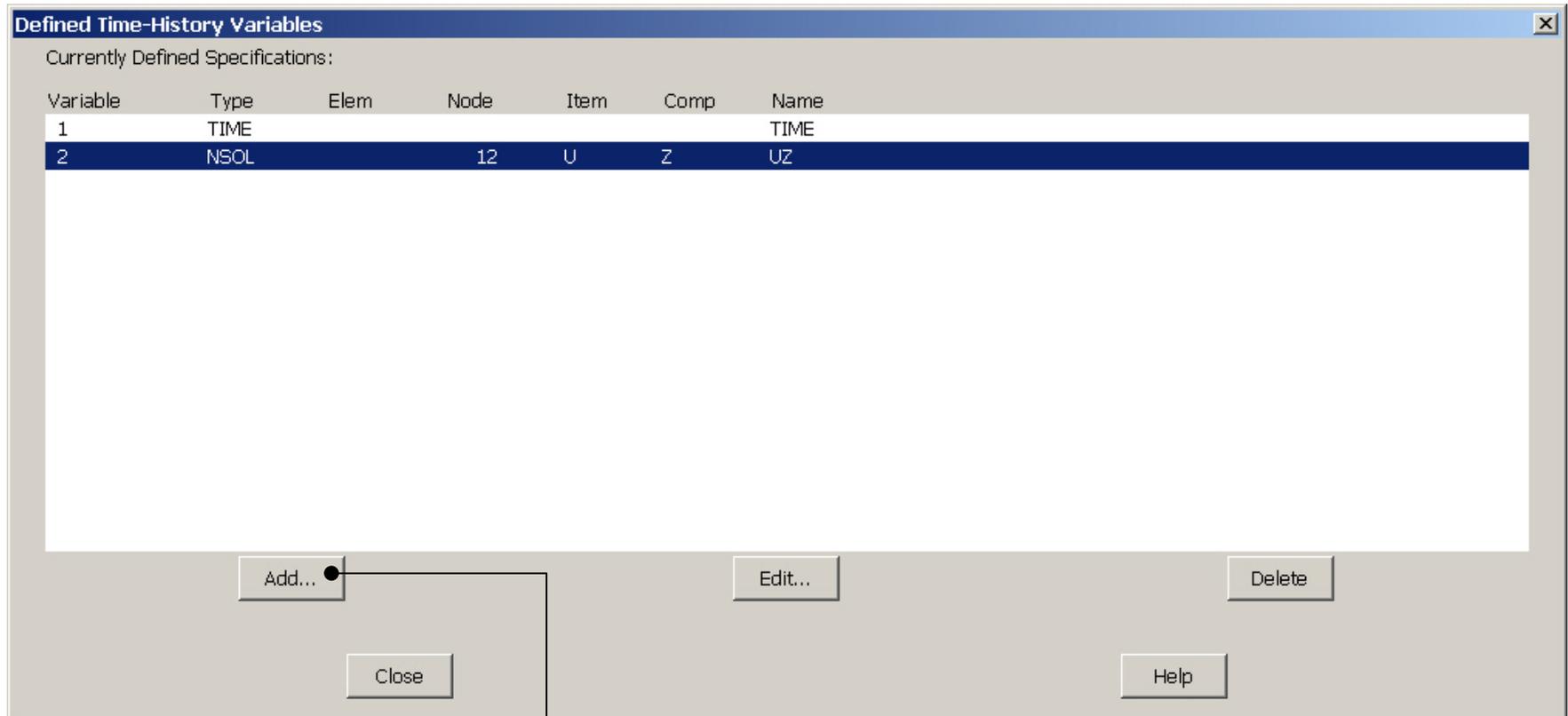
Press OK

Select DOF solution and Translation UZ



Press OK

# Example – Add Time-History Var.



Press Add

# Example - Settings

The image shows the ANSYS Graph Settings dialog box. The left pane shows the ANSYS Main Menu with 'Graph' selected. The dialog box has the following settings:

- [PLTIME] Time (or frequency) range for graphs: TMIN = 0, TMAX = 0
- [XVAR] X-axis variable:  Time (or freq),  All variables,  Single variable. Single variable no. = 1
- [VARNAM] Names (or renames) a variable: IR = [ ], Name = [ ]
- [SPREAD] Optional tolerance - 0
- [PLCPLX] Complex variable - Amplitude

Annotations on the right side of the dialog box:

- Line pointing to the 'Single variable' radio button: Select Single variable to plot on X-axis
- Line pointing to the 'Single variable no.' text box: Enter 2 to plot UZ for the top node on the X-axis
- Line pointing to the 'OK' button: Press OK

# Example – Style - Graph

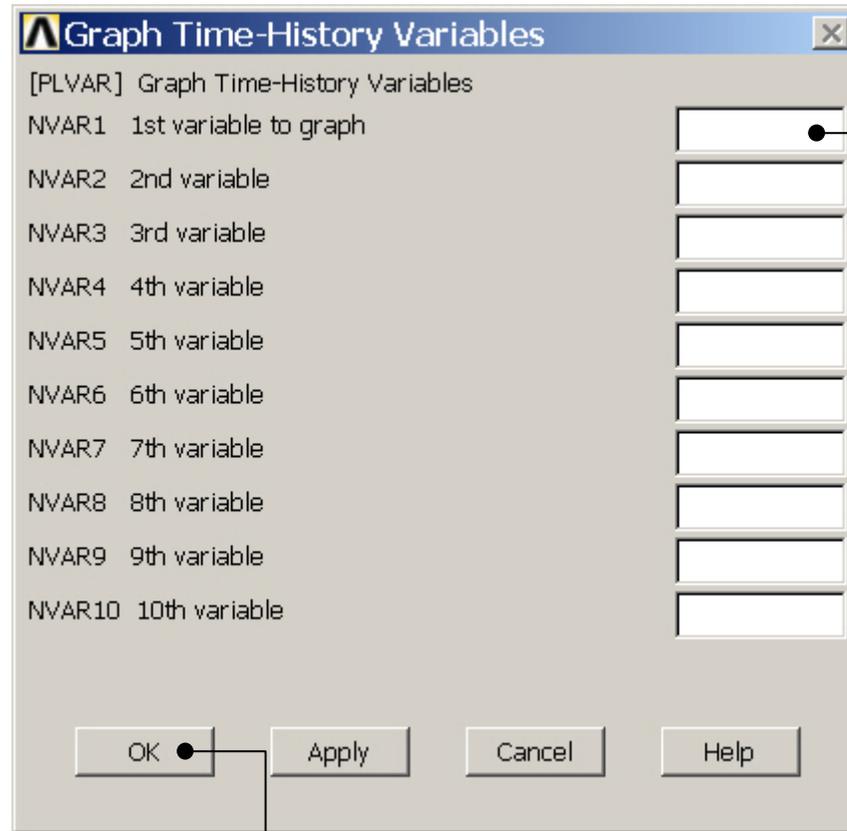
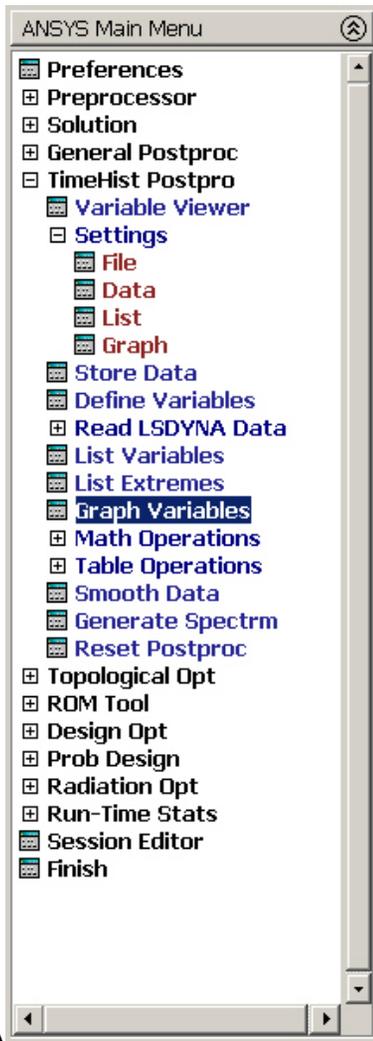
The image shows the ANSYS software interface with the 'Style' menu open. The 'Style' menu is highlighted, and the 'Graphs' sub-menu is selected. The 'Graphs' sub-menu is open, and the 'Modify Axes...' option is selected. The 'Axes Modifications for Graph Plots' dialog box is open, showing various settings for the graph axes. The dialog box has several fields and options, including:

- [/AXLAB] X-axis label
- [/AXLAB] Y-axis label
- [/GTHK] Thickness of axes
- [/GRTYP] Number of Y-axes
- [/XRANGE] X-axis range
- XMIN, XMAX Specified X range
- [/YRANGE] Y-axis range
- YMIN, YMAX Specified Y range -
- NUM - for Y-axis number
- [/GROPT], ASCAL Y ranges for -
- [/GROPT] Axis Controls
- LOGX X-axis scale
- LOGY Y-axis scale
- AXDV Axis divisions
- AXNM Axis scale numbering
- AXNSC Axis number size fact
- DIG1 Signif digits before -
- DIG2 - and after decimal pt
- XAXO X-axis offset [0.0-1.0]

Annotations in the image indicate the following steps:

- Enter Deformation UZ
- Enter Force FZ
- Press OK

# Example – Graph Variables



Enter 1 to plot the reaction force FZ on the Y-axis

Press OK

# Example - Graph

