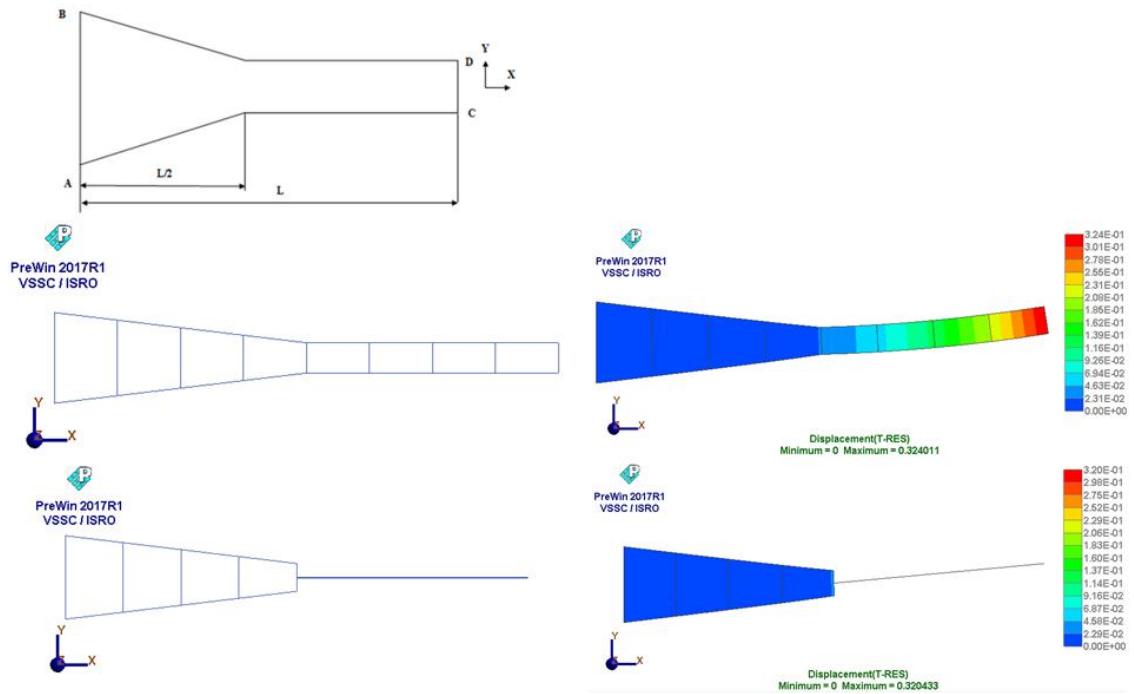


## Static analysis of tapered cantilever



**Load** : A moment of 12000 *Nmm* at the tip applied as two equal and opposite point loads of 1000 *N* in the *x* direction at C and D

**Boundary condition** : Along AB ,  $U_x=U_y=U_z=R_x=R_y=R_z=0$

**Material property** :  $E = 200 \text{ GPa}$ ,  $\nu = 0.3$

**Geometric property** : Depth at AB = 36 *mm*, depth at CD = 12 *mm* , length = 200 *mm*, width = 10 *mm*, hole radius = 10 *mm*

**Element type** : 8-node plane stress elements

**Load cases** :

1. Carry-out the analysis using the above specifications.
2. Replace the parallel section of continuum elements with single beam elements. connect the beam to extreme right mid-side node of tapered section and re-run the analysis

Finite element statistics		Number of elements	Number of nodes	Degrees of freedom
Case 1	:	7	25	80
Case 2	:	8	43	46

Cases	Tip displacements (mm)		
	NAFEMS	FEAST <sup>SMT</sup>	NASTRAN®
1	0.3086	0.3226	0.3240
2	0.3086	0.3204	0.3220