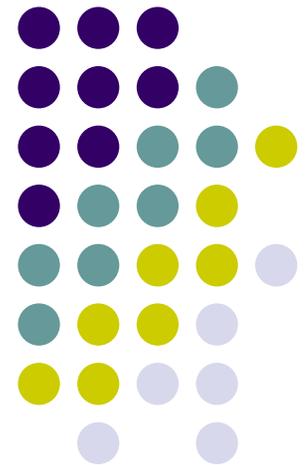


# ADAMS Assignment 5

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# Turning in Your Assignment

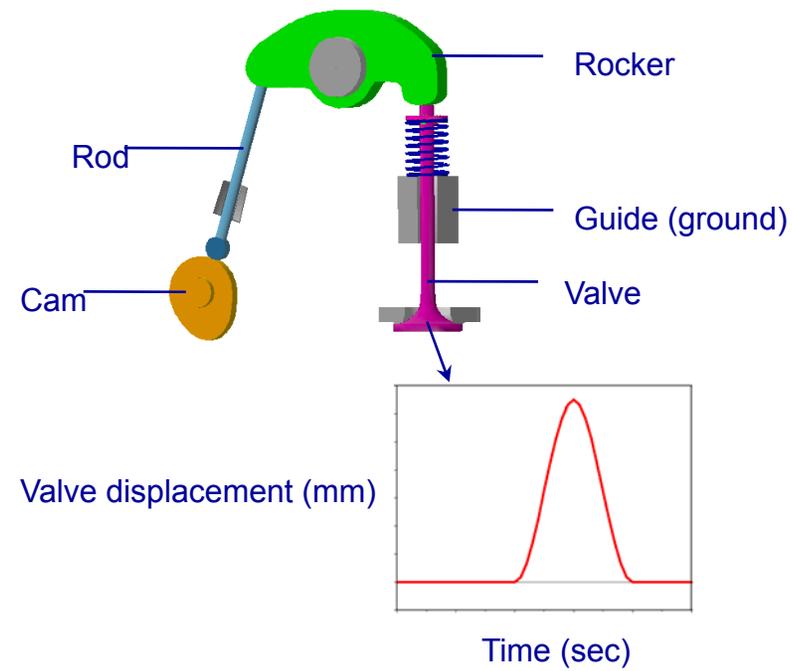


- Create a **single** PDF file, named “lastName\_ADAMS\_05.pdf” with the information listed on the last slide (including the supporting plots).
- Make sure your name is listed on that file.
- Drop the file in the appropriate Dropbox Folder (ADAMS\_05) at Learn@UW

The file **valve\_train\_start.zip** is available for download on the [class website](#).

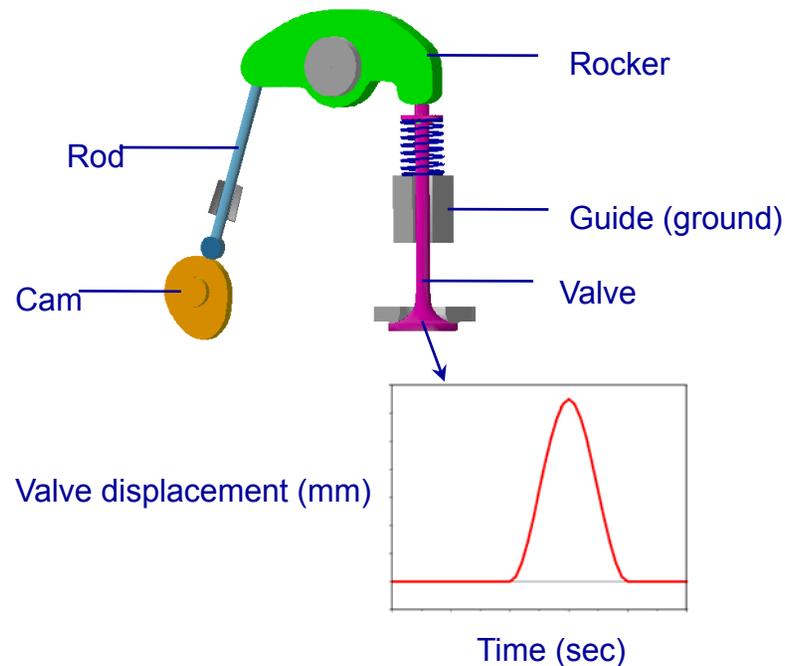


# CAM-ROCKER-VALVE





- Problem statement
  - Design a cam profile based on desired valve displacement, and ensure that there is no follower liftoff when the cam is rotated at 3000 rpm.





- Model description

- The model represents a valvetrain mechanism.
- The cam is being rotated at a velocity of 1 rotation per second.
- The rocker pivots about a pin attached to the engine block (ground).
- The valve displaces up and down as the rocker moves.
- When the valve moves, it lets small amounts of air in the chamber below it (not modeled here).

**Note:** At the location of the translational joint, between the valve and ground, the model includes a spherical dummy part. You will use this dummy part when you make the valve a flexible part. This dummy part will not affect the rigid body dynamics.



1. Open ADAMS/View from some working directory
2. Import the file **valve\_train\_start.cmd**.  
The file contains a model named **valve\_train**.

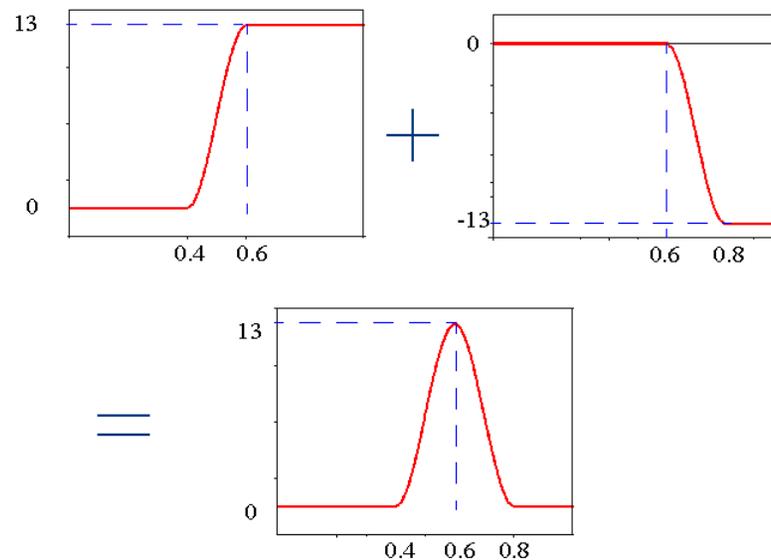


- Apply motion

To apply motion:

1. Use the **Translational Joint Motion** tool  to add a motion to the joint, **Valve\_Ground\_Jt**, such that its displacement appears as shown next:

Add two STEP functions.





**Tip:** The functions should look as follows:

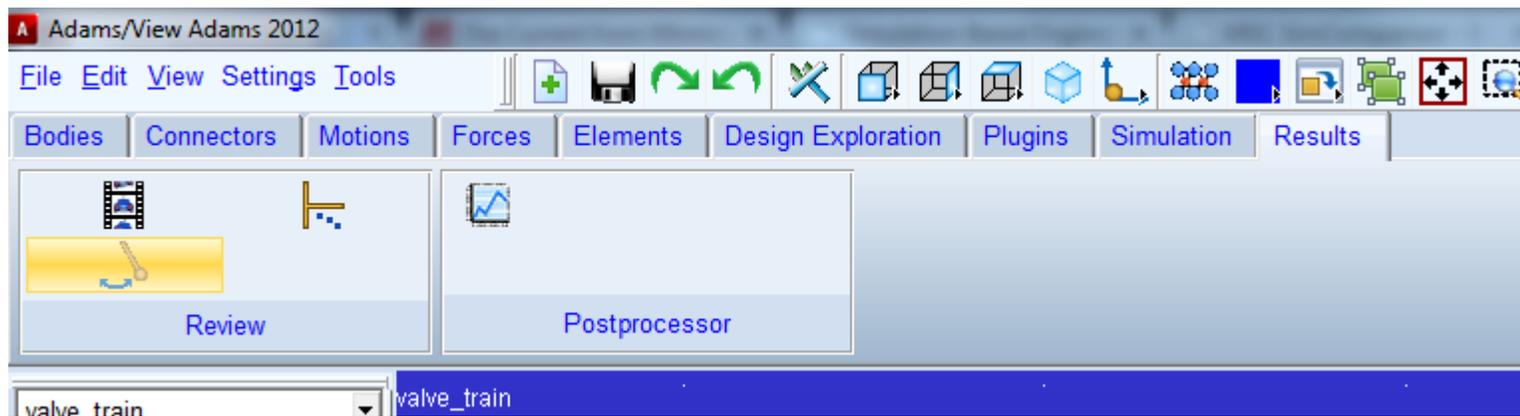
STEP(time, .4, 0,.6,13)+ STEP(time,.6,0,.8,-13).

2. Run a **1-second, 100-step** simulation to verify that the valve displaces as a result of the joint motion.

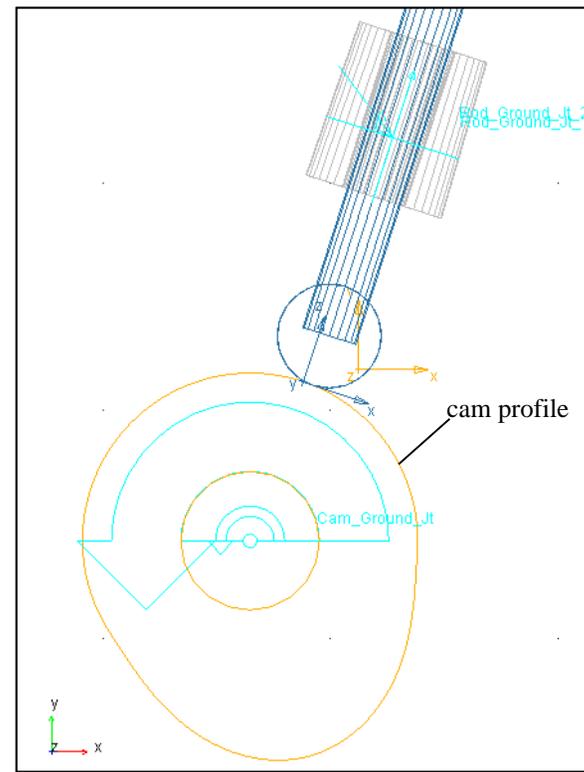
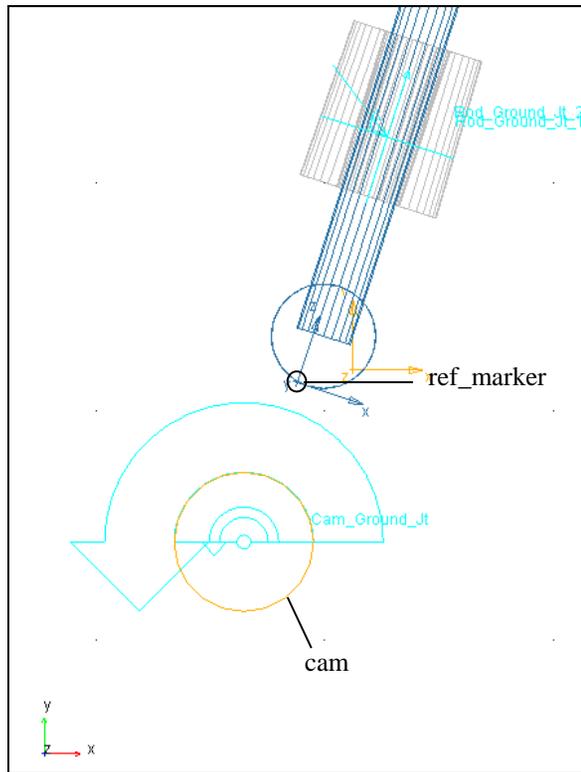


- Create a cam profile
  - Use a point trace to create a cam profile.
- To use a point trace:
  1. From the **Results** tab → **Review** menu, select **Create Trace Spline**.

**NOTE: You must run the 1 second test simulation to use this feature!**



2. Select the circle on the rod (**rod.CIRCLE\_1**) and then the part named **cam**.
3. Verify that you now have a spline representing the cam profile.



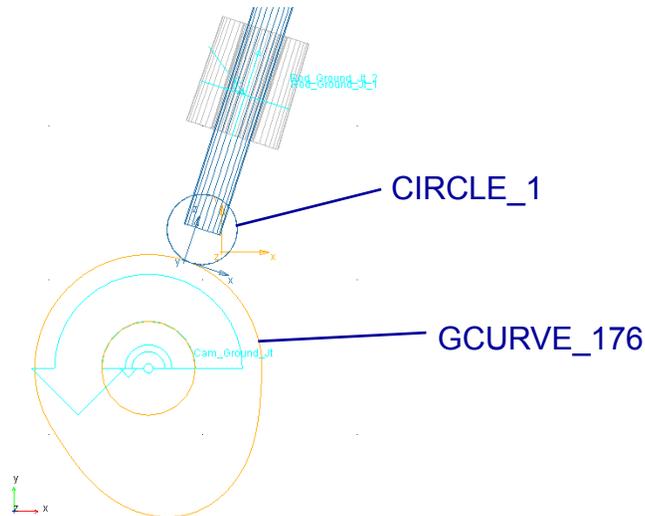
4. Run a simulation to verify that the **Rod** appears to move along the surface of the **Cam**.



- Constrain the rod to the cam

To constrain the rod:

1. Delete (or deactivate) the joint motion you created on the translational joint, **Valve\_Ground\_Jt**.
2. Use the **Curve-Curve Constraint** tool to create a curve-on-curve constraint between the circle on the **Rod** and the cam profile on the **Cam**.



3. Run a simulation to verify that the new constraint works.

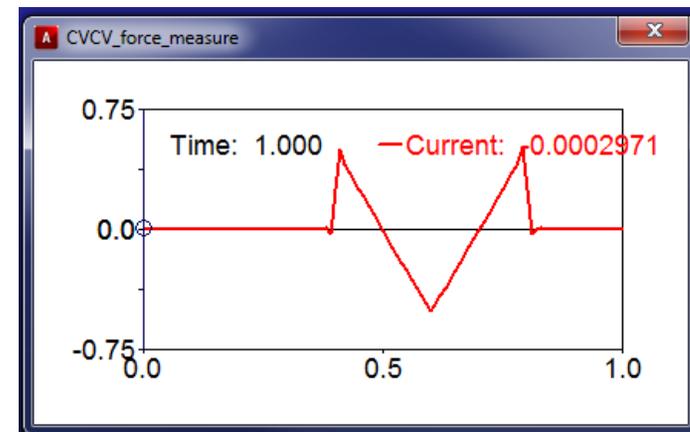
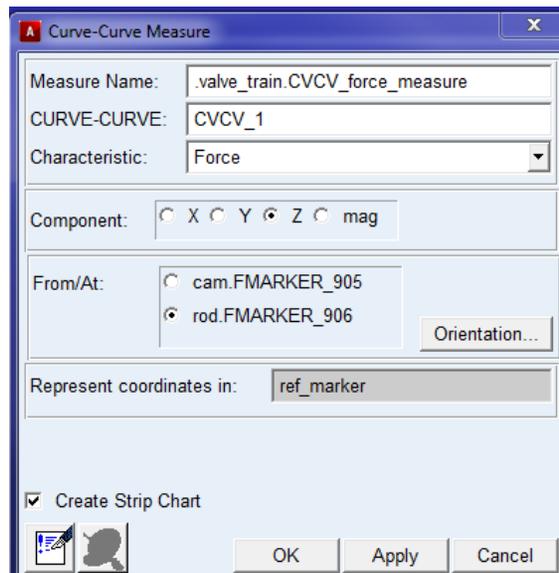


- Measure the force in the curve-on-curve constraint

To measure the force:

- Create a force measure for the curve-on-curve constraint (right-click the constraint and then select **Measure**). Measure the force along the z-axis of **ref\_marker**, which belongs to the rod:
  - **Characteristic: Force**
  - **Component: Z**
  - **Represent coordinates in: ref\_marker**

The curve-on-curve constraint applies a negative force that keeps the rod follower on the cam, avoiding any liftoff.





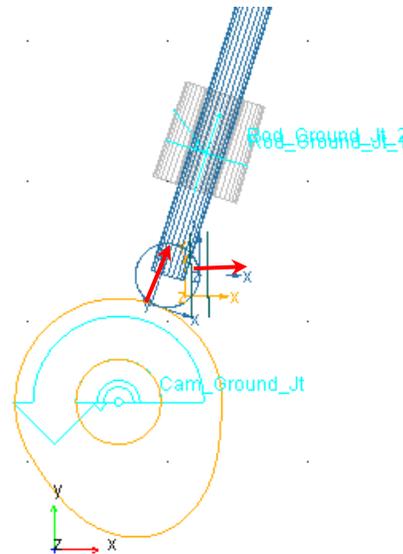
- Make the cam-to-rod contact more realistic
  - Now you'll replace the curve-on-curve constraint with a curve-to-curve contact force.
- To replace the curve-on-curve constraint:
  1. Deactivate the curve-on-curve constraint you created in Step 2 on slide 10.
  2. Create a contact, on **Force tab** → **Special Forces**, and then select **Create a contact**





3. Use the following contact parameters:

- Contact Name: rod\_cam\_contact
- Contact Type: Point to Curve
- Marker: ref\_marker
- J Curve: the Trace spline you created on the cam body
- Use the Change Direction tool  to make sure that the normal arrows point outward from the curve, as shown next:





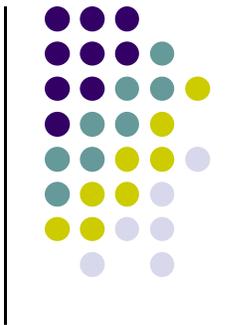
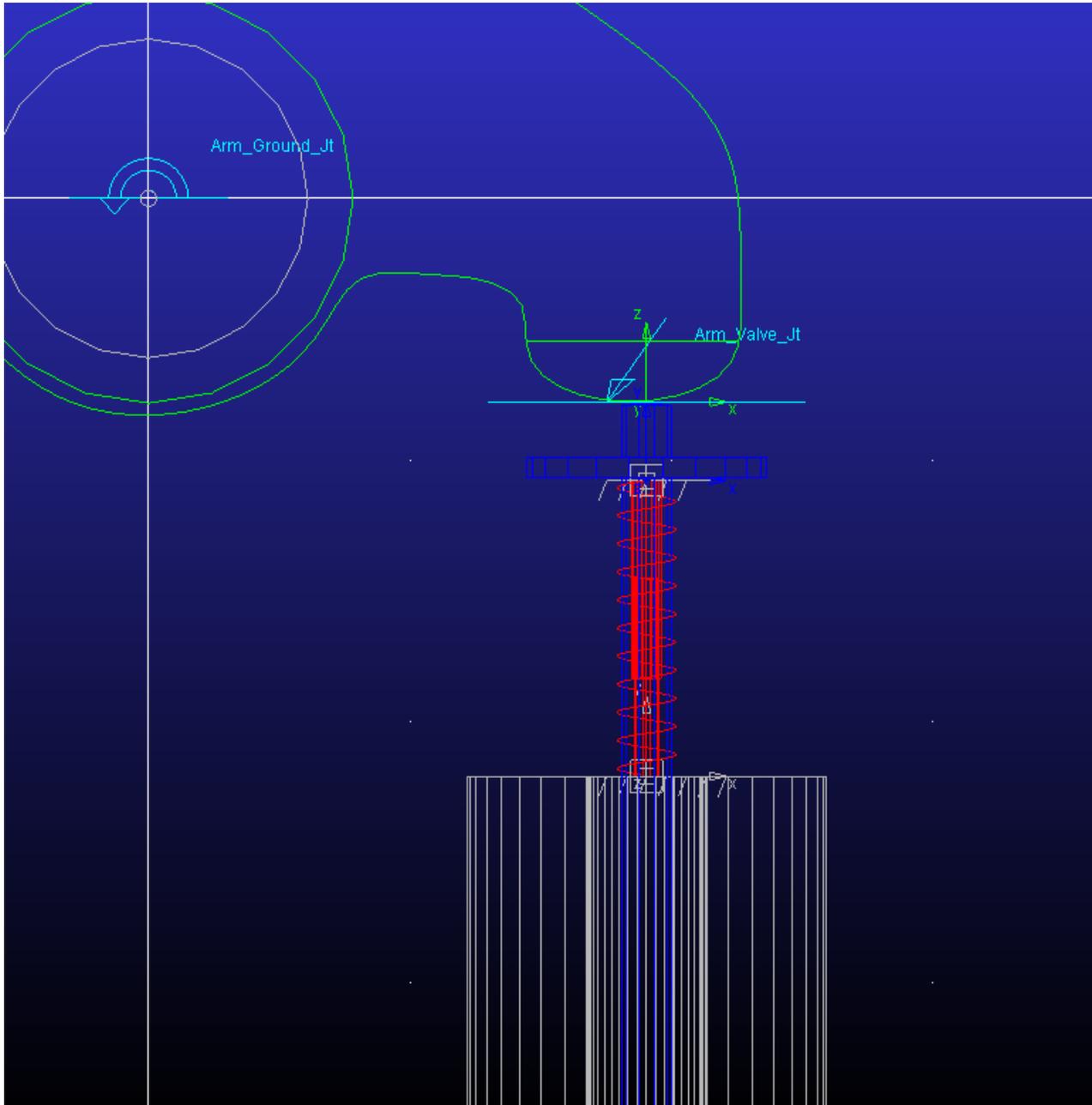
- **Normal Force: Impact**
- **Stiffness (K): 1e6 (N/mm)**
- **Force Exponent (e): 1.5**
- **Damping (C): 10 (N-sec/mm)**
- **Penetration Depth (d): 1e-3 mm**
- **Friction Force: Coulomb**
- **Coulomb Friction: On**
- **Static Coefficient ( $\mu_s$ ): 0.08**
- **Dynamic Coefficient ( $\mu_d$ ): 0.05**
- **Stiction Transition Vel. ( $v_s$ ): 1 (mm/sec)**
- **Friction Transition Vel. ( $v_t$ ): 2 (mm/sec)**
- Run a simulation to check if liftoff occurs.



- Prevent liftoff using a spring damper

To prevent liftoff:

1. Add a marker on the valve at the location, **Valve\_Point**:
  - **Add to Part**
  - From the screen, select body: **valve** and the location: **Valve\_Point**.
2. Add a spring damper between the marker you just created and the point, **Ground\_Point** (which is a point on ground, at the top of the guide) using the following parameters:
  - **Stiffness (K): 20 (N/mm)**
  - **Damping (C): 0.002 (N-sec/mm)**
  - **Preload: 400 N**
3. Your spring should look like the one shown on the next slide





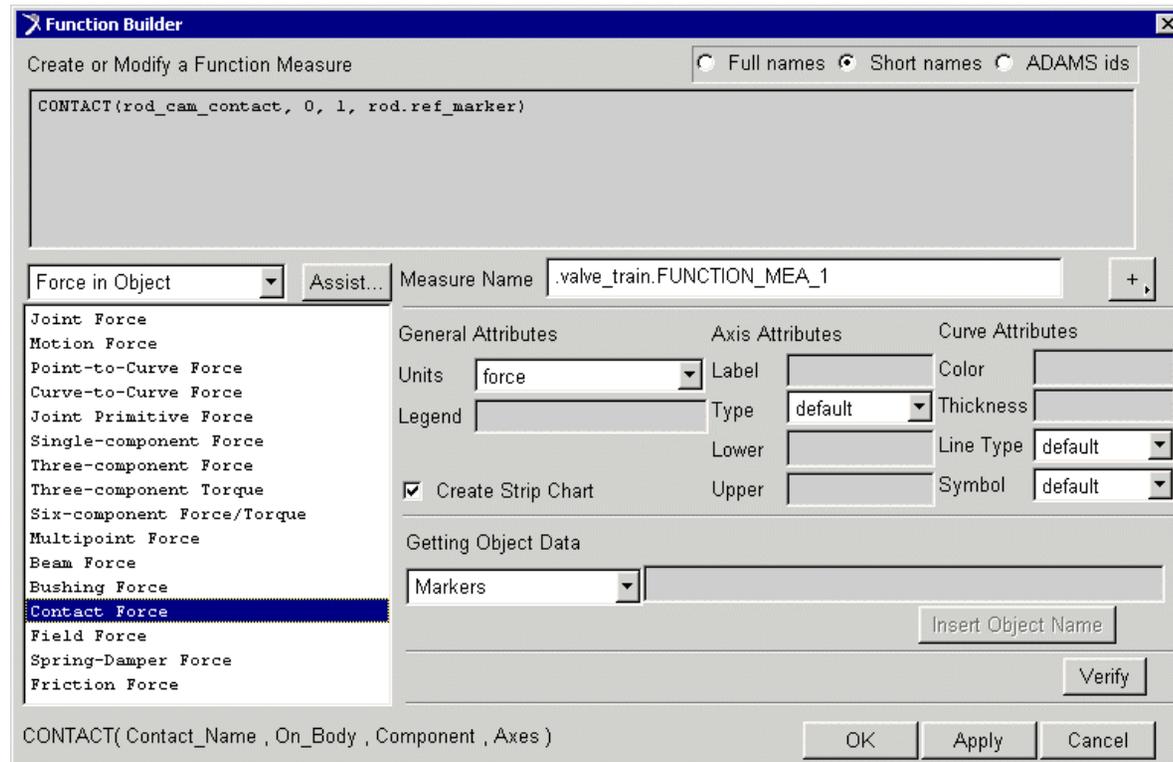
3. Find the static equilibrium of the model (). It can be found in **Simulation → Simulate → Run an Interactive Simulation**  
***Do not reset the model before going on to the next step.***  
**Note:** You perform the static equilibrium to eliminate the transient effect that results from the time-dependent damping characteristic of the spring damper. In addition, positioning the model in static equilibrium establishes initial contact between the roller and the cam.
4. Run a dynamic simulation to view the effects of the spring starting from static equilibrium.
5. Modify the rotational motion on the cam to a speed of **3000 rpm**. Enter the function as follows:  **$-50 \cdot 360d \cdot \text{time}$** .
6. To view only one rotation of the cam, run a static equilibrium followed by a dynamic simulation for **end=1/50 seconds**, **steps=100**. An easy way to run this simulation sequence is to create a simulation script.



7. Measure the contact force by creating a function (**Design Exploration → Measures → Create a new Function Measure**).

- **Category: Force in Object**

**Note:** Make sure you measure the contact force using the **rod.ref\_marker** as the reference plane, as shown below:

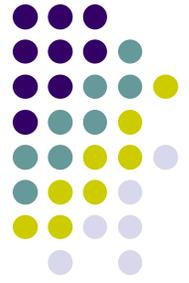




8. Rerun the simulation to populate the new measure stripchart.
9. Modify the spring-damper characteristics (stiffness, damping, and preload) to prevent liftoff based on the new rotational speed of the cam.

**Question A:** Experiment with different values for spring stiffness until the no-lift criteria is met. (or try to get as low lift-off as possible) Do ***not*** change the preload and damping properties.

- **Preload: 400 N**
  - **Damping (C): 0.002 (N-sec/mm)**
  - Report on your chosen spring stiffness, and the ratio of lift-off reduction (e.g.,  $\text{time}(\text{reduced lift-off}) / \text{time}(\text{original lift-off})$ )
    - Report this value on the forum
10. Save the model.



- Questions

1. How many DOF are removed by adding a curve-on-curve constraint?
2. Calculate the travel distance between two extreme positions of the valve when a curve-on-curve constraint is used (e.g., what is the vertical distance the valve displaces during a single cam cycle?)
3. How many DOF are removed by adding a curve-to-curve force?

- What should you turn in?

1. Answers to Question A (previous slide), and 1 through 3.
2. Also, turn in the plots (if needed) to support your answers.