

Transient thermal analysis in Ansys: Tea cup example

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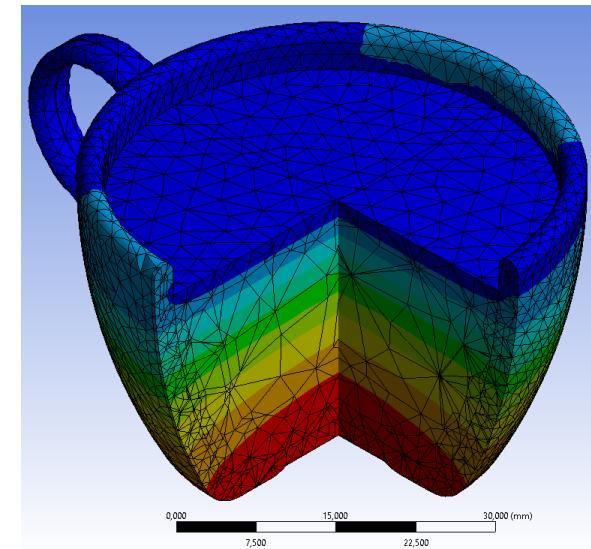


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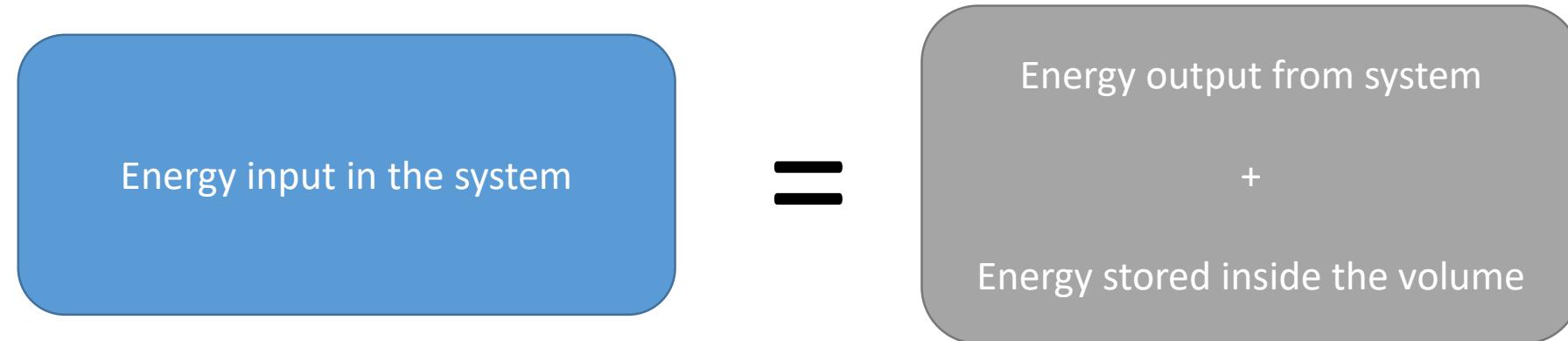
Transient analysis

- the evaluation of how a system responds to fixed and varying boundary conditions over time.
 - For fixed boundary conditions; the time to reach a steady state temperature.
 - For time-varying boundary conditions; can show the resulting thermal response.
- Many heat transfer applications involve transient thermal analyses:
 - Heat treatment problems
 - Electronic package design
 - Nozzles
 - Engine blocks
 - Pressure vessels



Transient analysis

- Thermodynamics: the principle of energy conservation



$$\sum_k E_k = \text{constant}$$

Transient analysis

- heat conduction through a solid:

$$k \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right) + q = \rho c \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

$$k \nabla^2 T + q = \boxed{\rho c \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}}$$

Transient Term

heat conduction

heat flux/convection/ radiation/internal heat generation inside the volume

Energy stored inside the volume

k = Thermal conductivity [$W/K \cdot m$]
 t = Time
 T = Temperature [K]
 q = Rate of heat flux/convection/radiation/internal heat generation inside the volume [W]
 ρ = Density of the material [kg/m^3]
 c = Specific heat of the material [$J/kg \cdot K$]

- Initial temperatures
 - A transient thermal analysis involves loads that are functions of time.
 - The first step in applying transient thermal loads is to establish the initial temperature distribution at time = 0.
 - Initial temperatures do not matter in steady-state analyses.
 - Initial temperatures are very important in transient analyses.
 - Leaving ice water and hot tea in the sun for 5 mins, the final temperatures will be different.



- Thermal Capacitance

- The product of density (ρ), specific heat (c) and volume (V) for a body is the **thermal capacitance** (C).
- We can call the product ρc the **thermal capacitance term**, which indicates the ability of the body to store thermal energy.
- The larger the thermal capacitance term, the more time it will take to heat the body and vice-versa.

$$k \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right) + q = \boxed{\rho c \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}}$$

thermal capacitance term

- In matrix form the transient thermal heat conduction can be written as:

$$C\{\dot{T}\} + K\{T\} = Q\{t\}$$

Thermal Capacitance Matrix

Thermal Conductivity Matrix

Heat Rate Vector

Before we start

- Login to NoMachine
- Copy files for the analysis

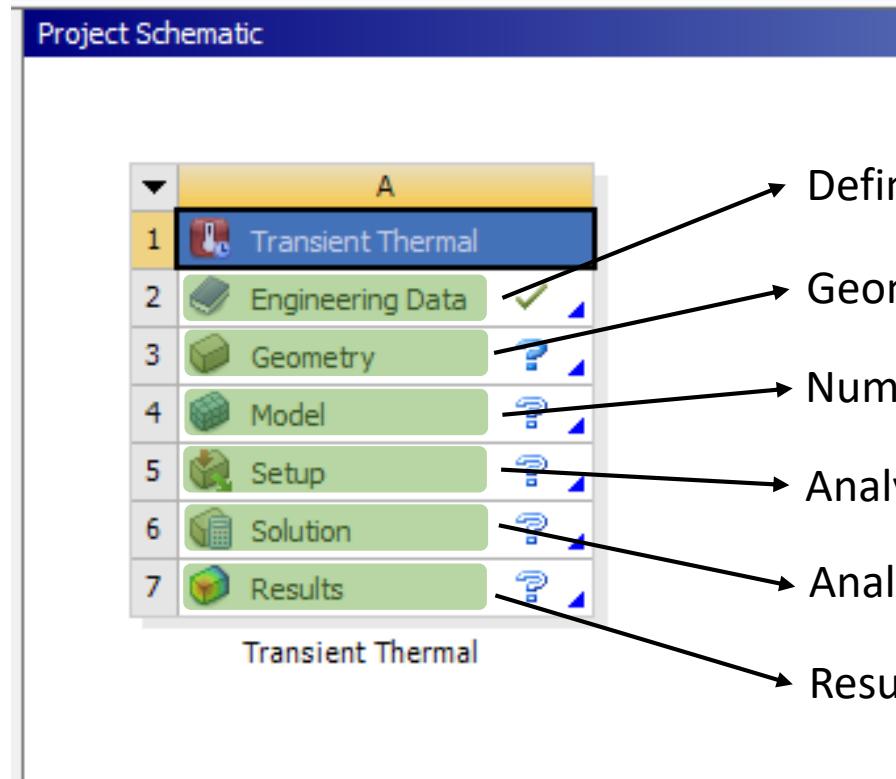
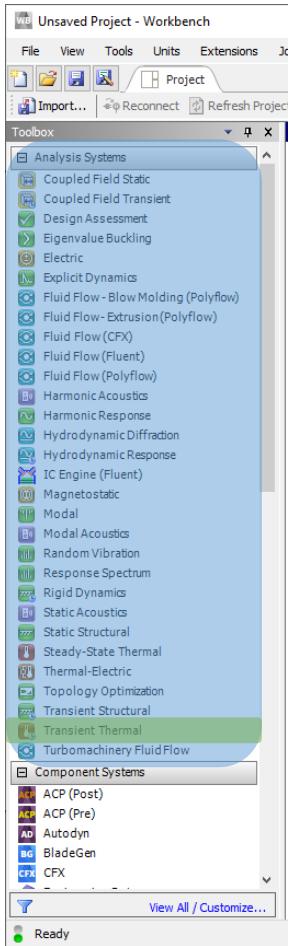
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cp -R /tmp/sctrain_cases_day4 ./
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- Open Ansys

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[user@viz ~]$ module load ANSYS  
[user@viz ~]$ runwb2
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Analysis setting

Choose Transient Thermal analysis



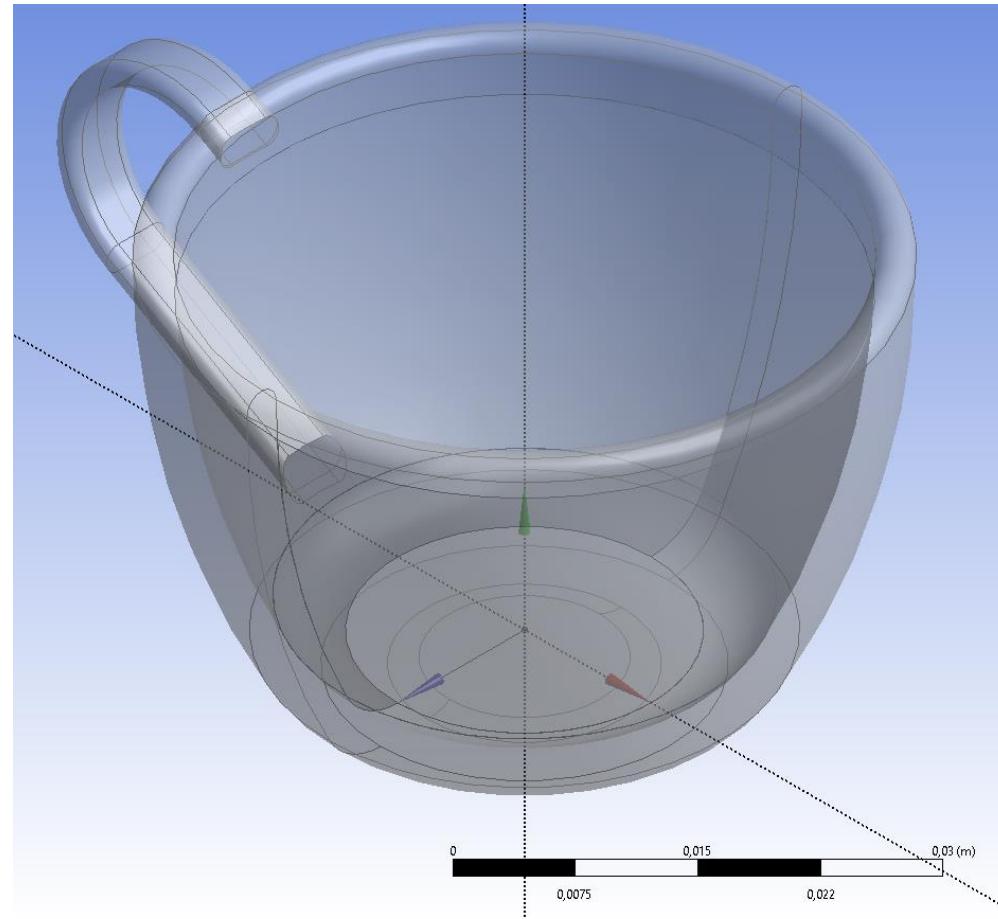
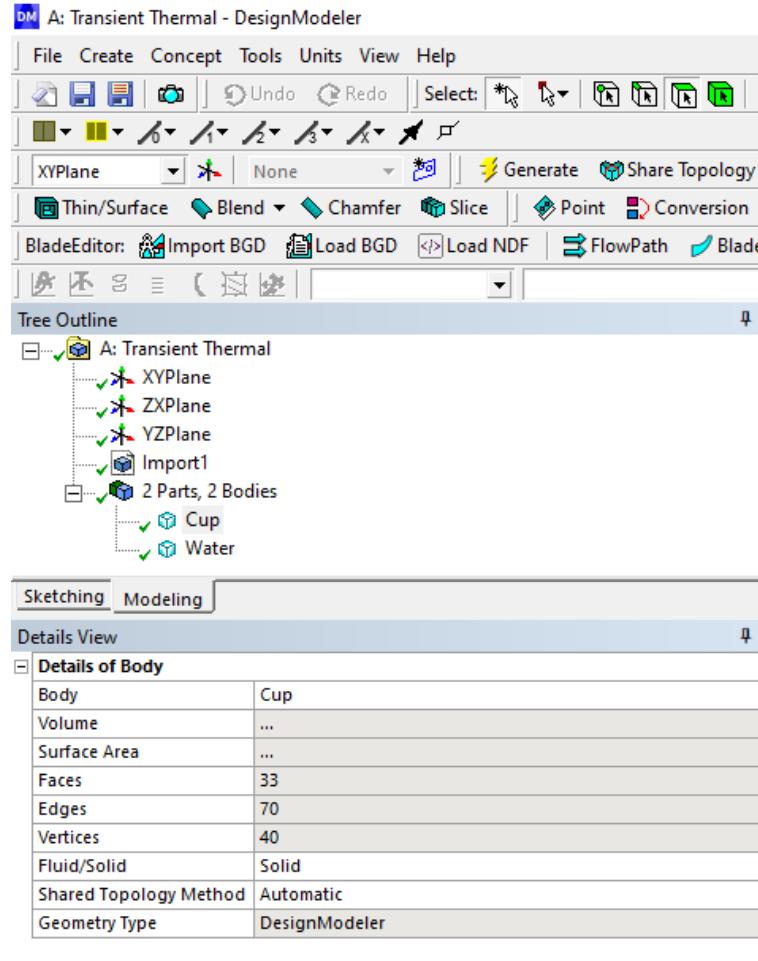
Defining the material

The screenshot shows the Ansys Engineering Data Sources interface. On the left, there's a toolbox with options like Temperature, Frequency, Coordinate X, etc. The main area displays a table titled 'Engineering Data Sources' with columns 'Data Source', 'Location', and 'Quick access'. A row for 'Granta Design Sample Materials' is highlighted in green. Below it, another table shows 'Contents of Granta Design Sample Materials' with rows for 'Polyethylene, high density (HDPE)' and 'Polyethylene, high molecular weight (UHMWPE)'. A large plus sign (+) is overlaid on the interface, indicating the addition of materials.

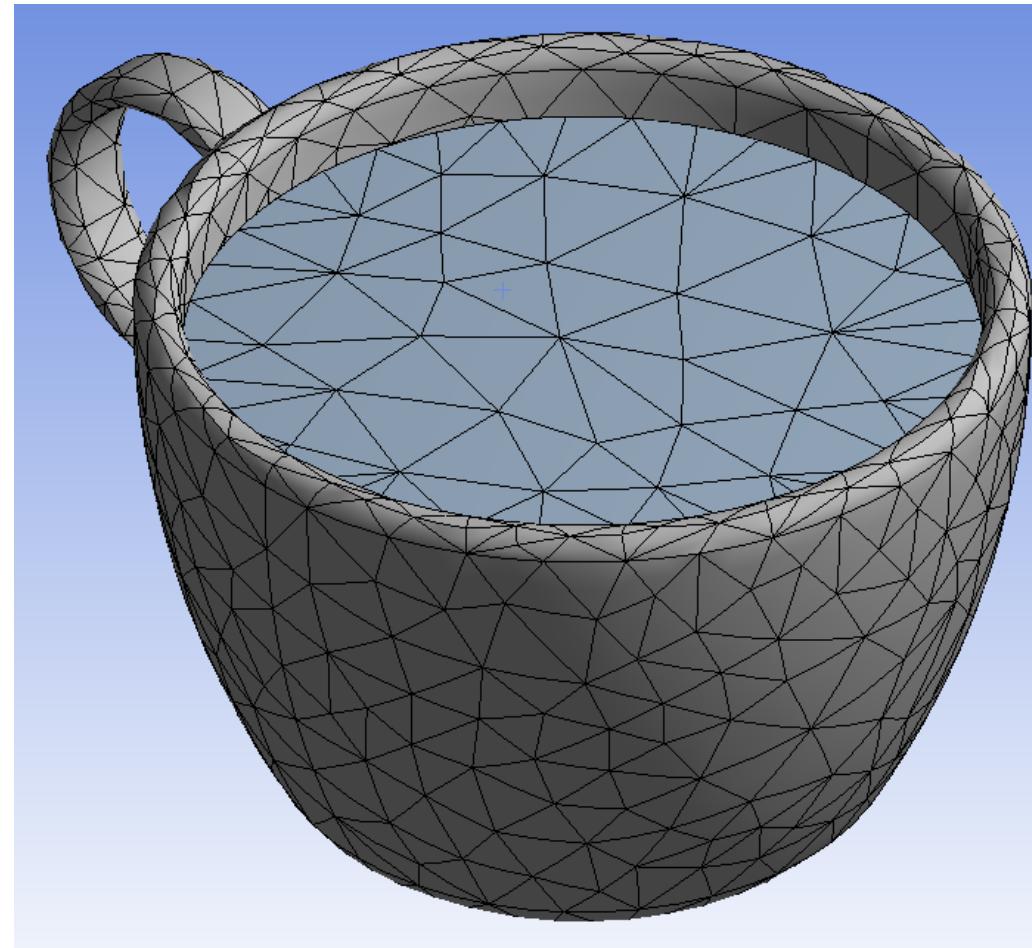
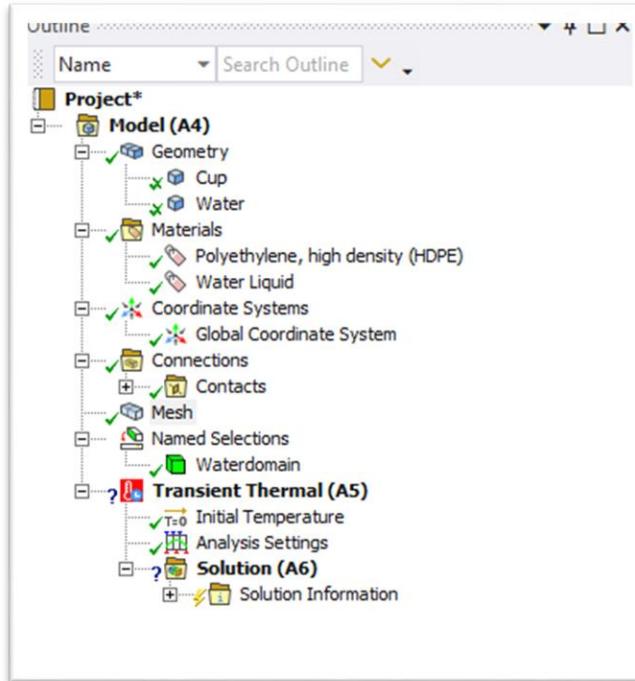
The screenshot shows the Ansys Schematic interface. On the left, there's a toolbox with Physical Properties, Density, Melting Temperature, Thermal properties, and Custom Material Models. The main area displays a table titled 'Outline of Schematic A2: Engineering Data' with columns A, B, C, and D. The table lists materials: 'Polyethylene, high density (HDPE)' under 'Material' in row 3, and 'Water Liquid' under 'Material' in row 4. A large equals sign (=) is overlaid on the interface, indicating the result of the material definition process.

Geometry

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Numerical model

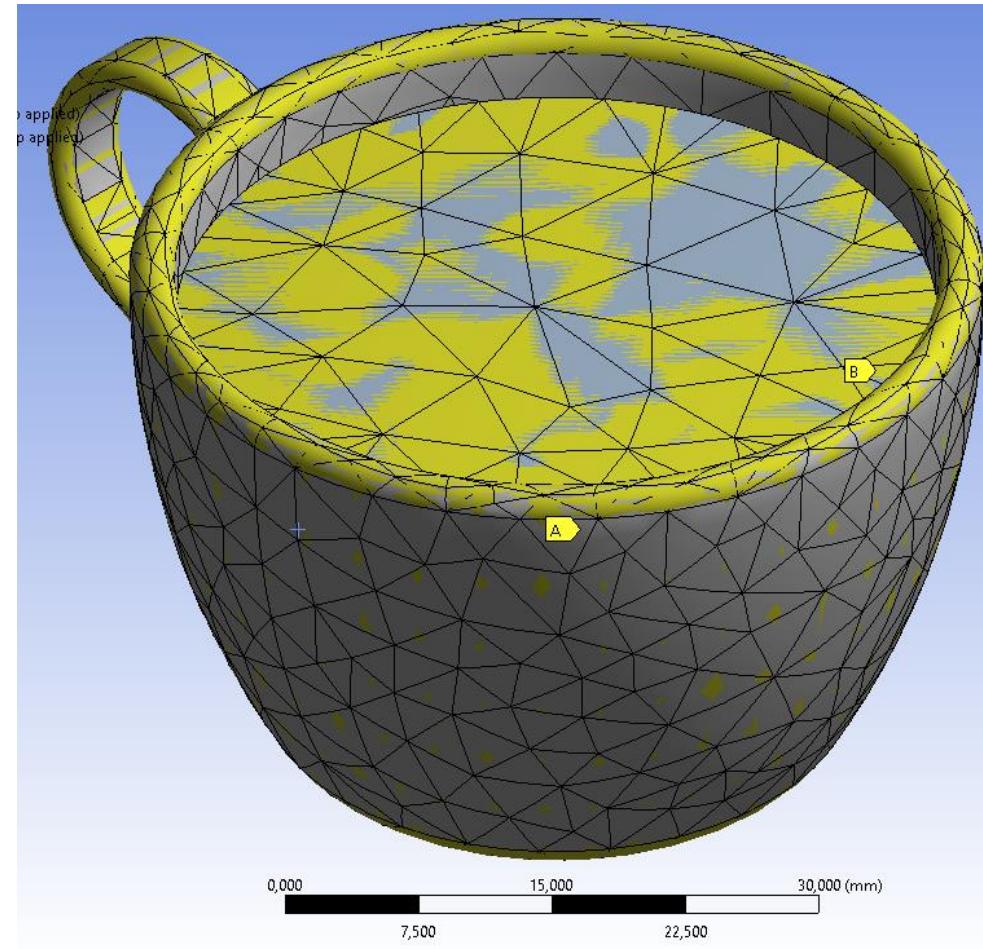
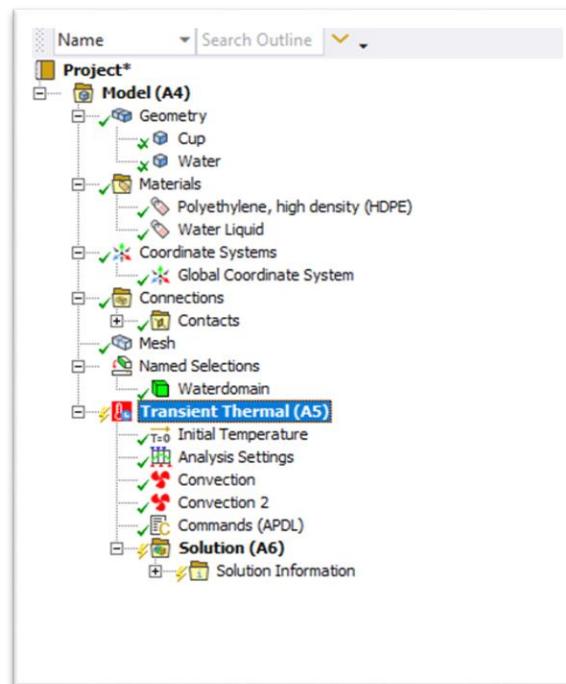


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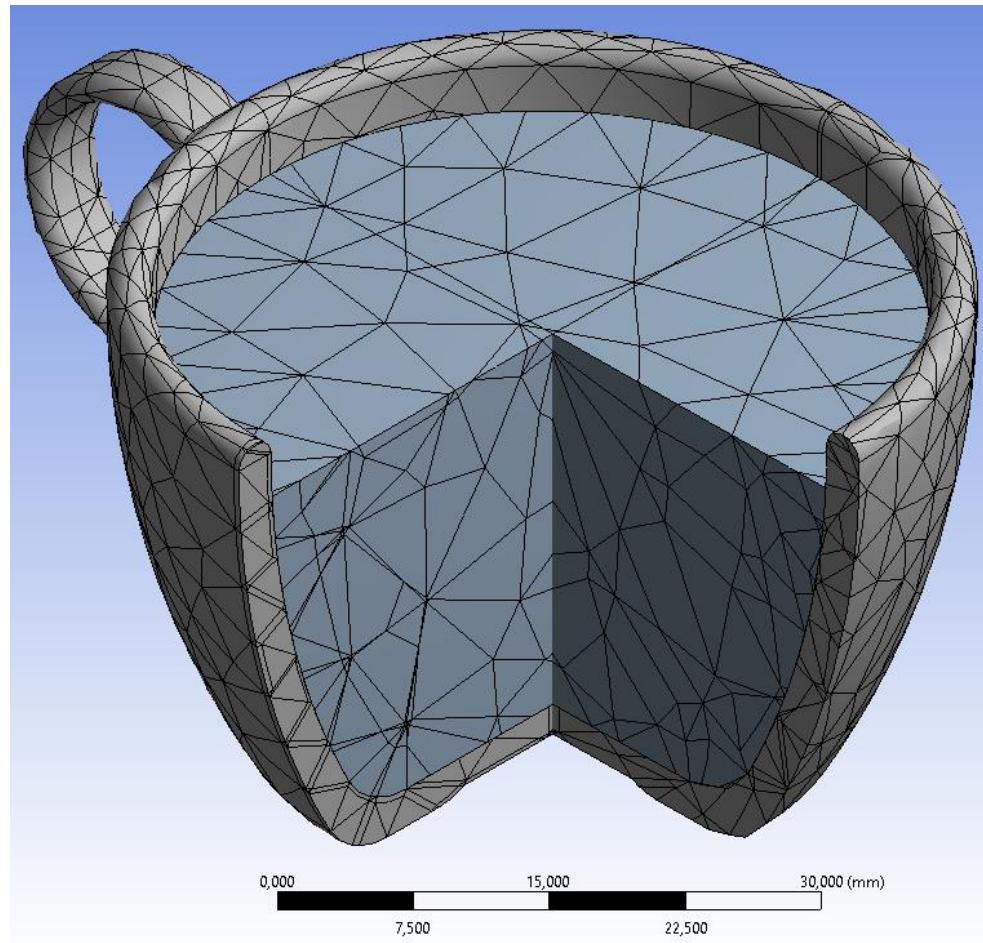
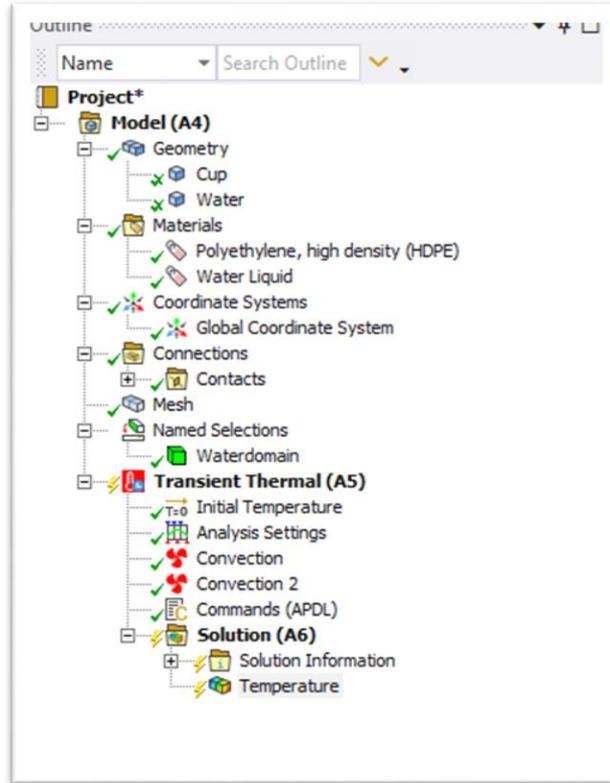
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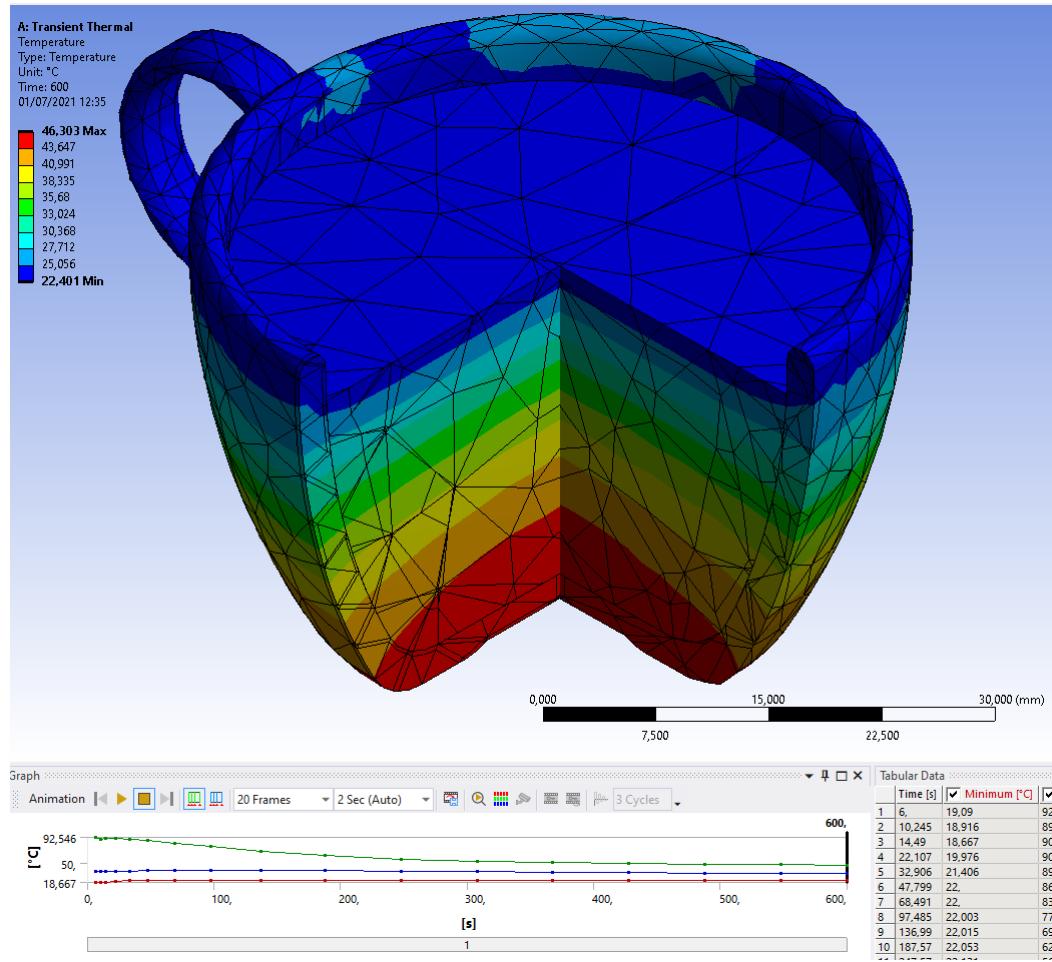


Post processing setup



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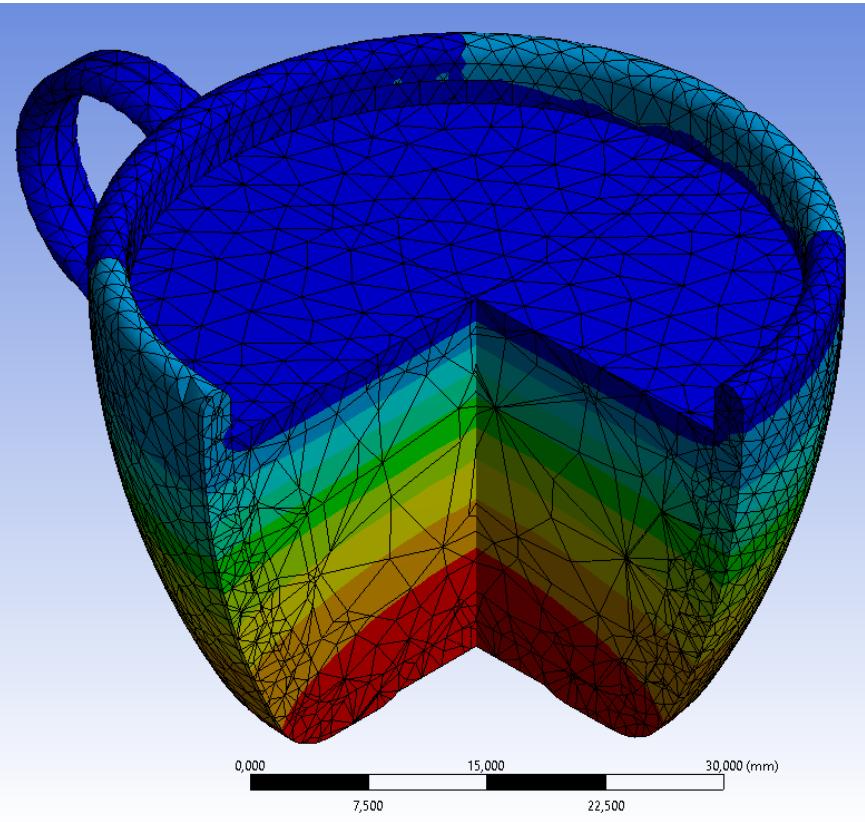
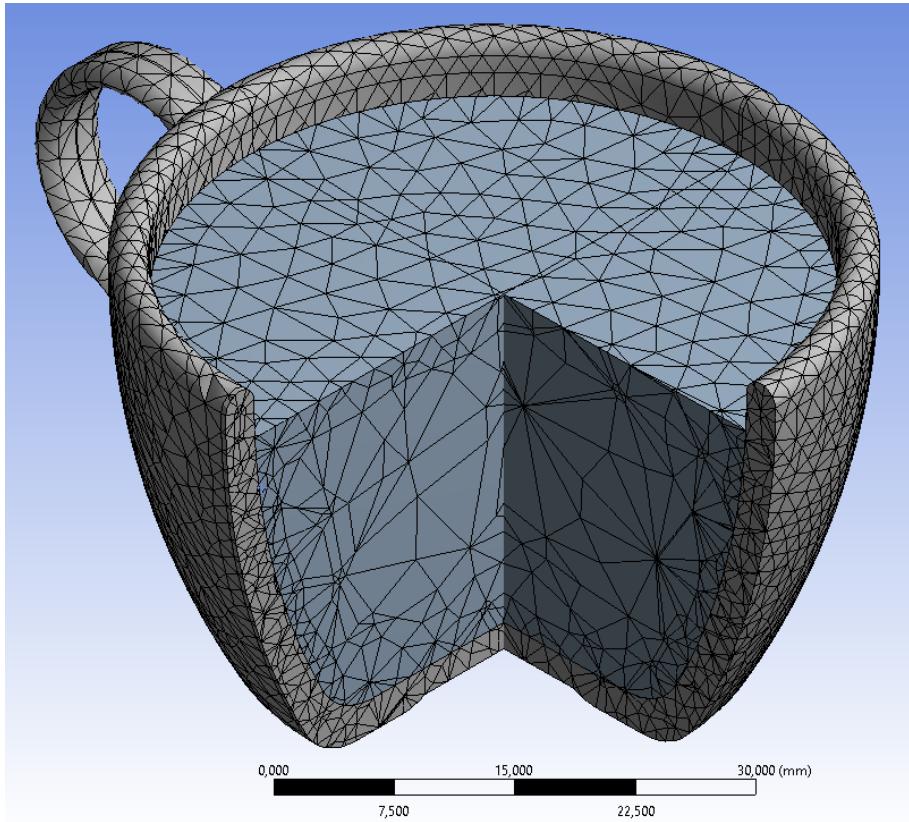


Changing the mesh element size

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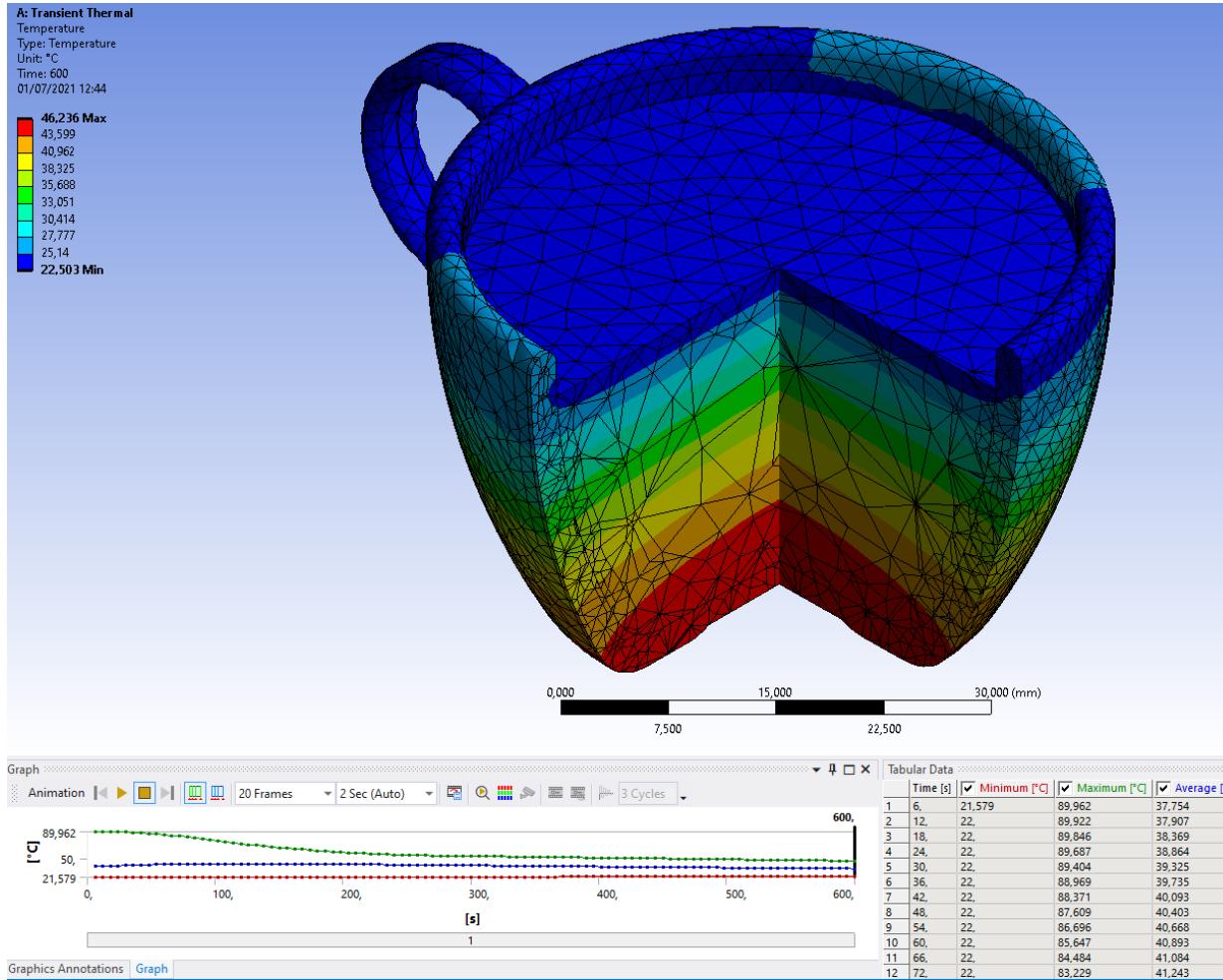
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Element size: 1,5mm



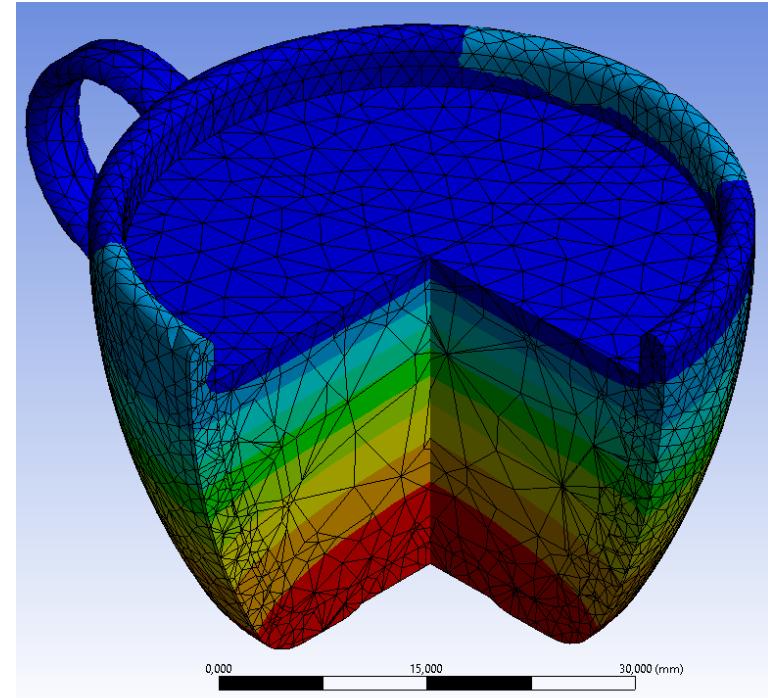
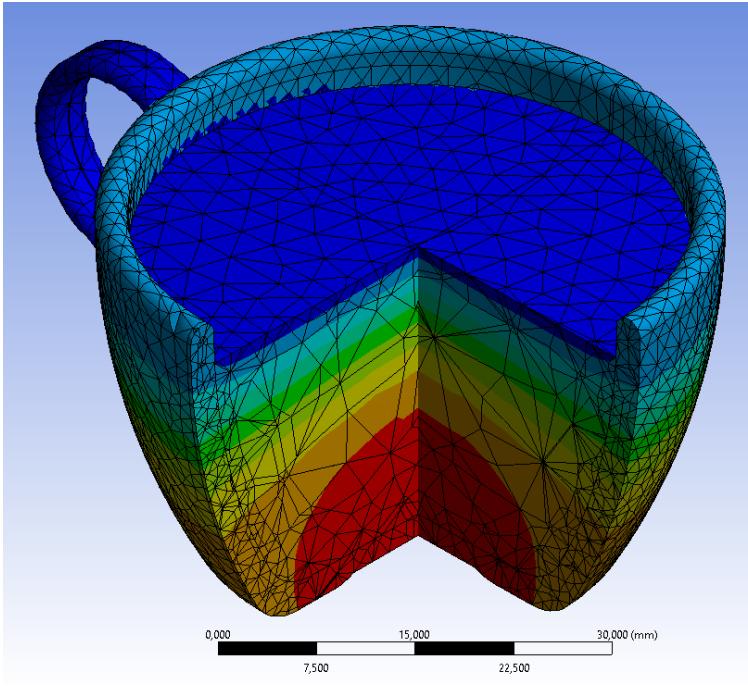
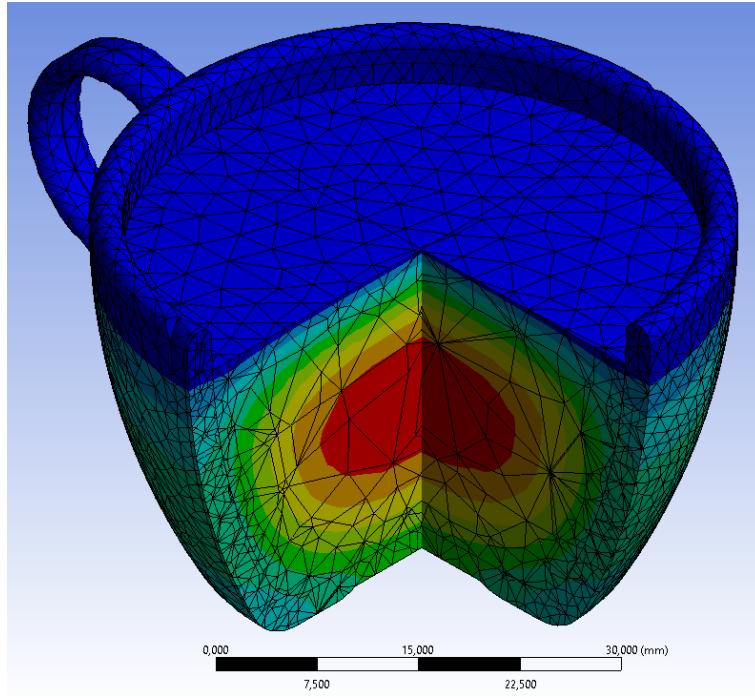
Changing the time step

Timestep: 6 sec



Your changes

- Better mesh?
- Timestep?



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