

COMPLEX ENGINEERING PROBLEM

ME – 2303 Fluid Mechanics – II
Spring 2022

Due Date: 07th July, 2022

Problem Description

You are a fresh aerodynamics engineer hired in an automotive OEM. You work with design and systems engineering team that is currently working on the exterior shape design for its upcoming subcompact hatchback electric vehicle. The main objective of exterior design is to minimize the drag and lift of EV while running at 130 km/h, so as to gain endurance for a particular capacity of battery pack and maintain drive stability at this speed.

Given in the figure below are the envelope constraints due to occupants and car systems. The maximum length (L_{max}) and height (H_{max}) of the EV should not exceed 3.7m and 1.6m respectively. The wheelbase (L_1) is fixed to **2.6m**. The location of point P_1 which is the junction of bonnet and windscreen is fixed.

The EV is of hatchback configuration, which can employ spoilers. You have to provide the 2D profile of the EV which gives minimum drag and lift. You can use the numerical tools for its determination. Explain and justify your finalized 2D profile with the help of post-processed results.

Submit along with your report the files of simulations.

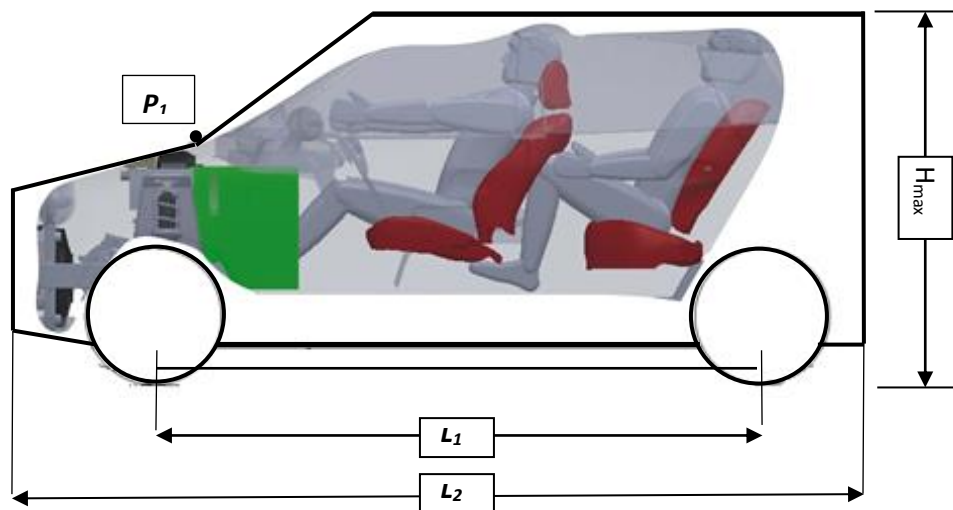



Figure 1: The envelope constraint for the hatchback EV



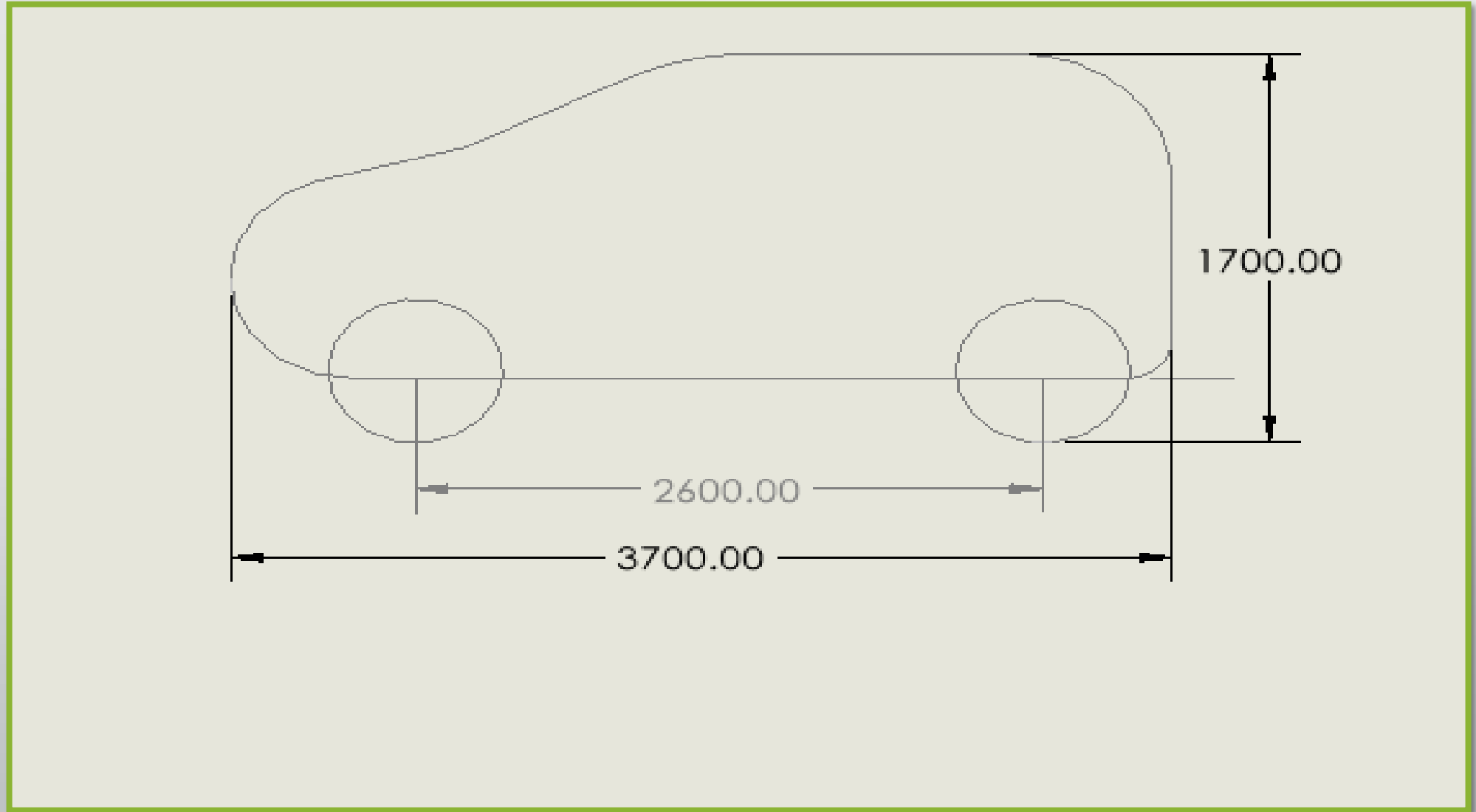
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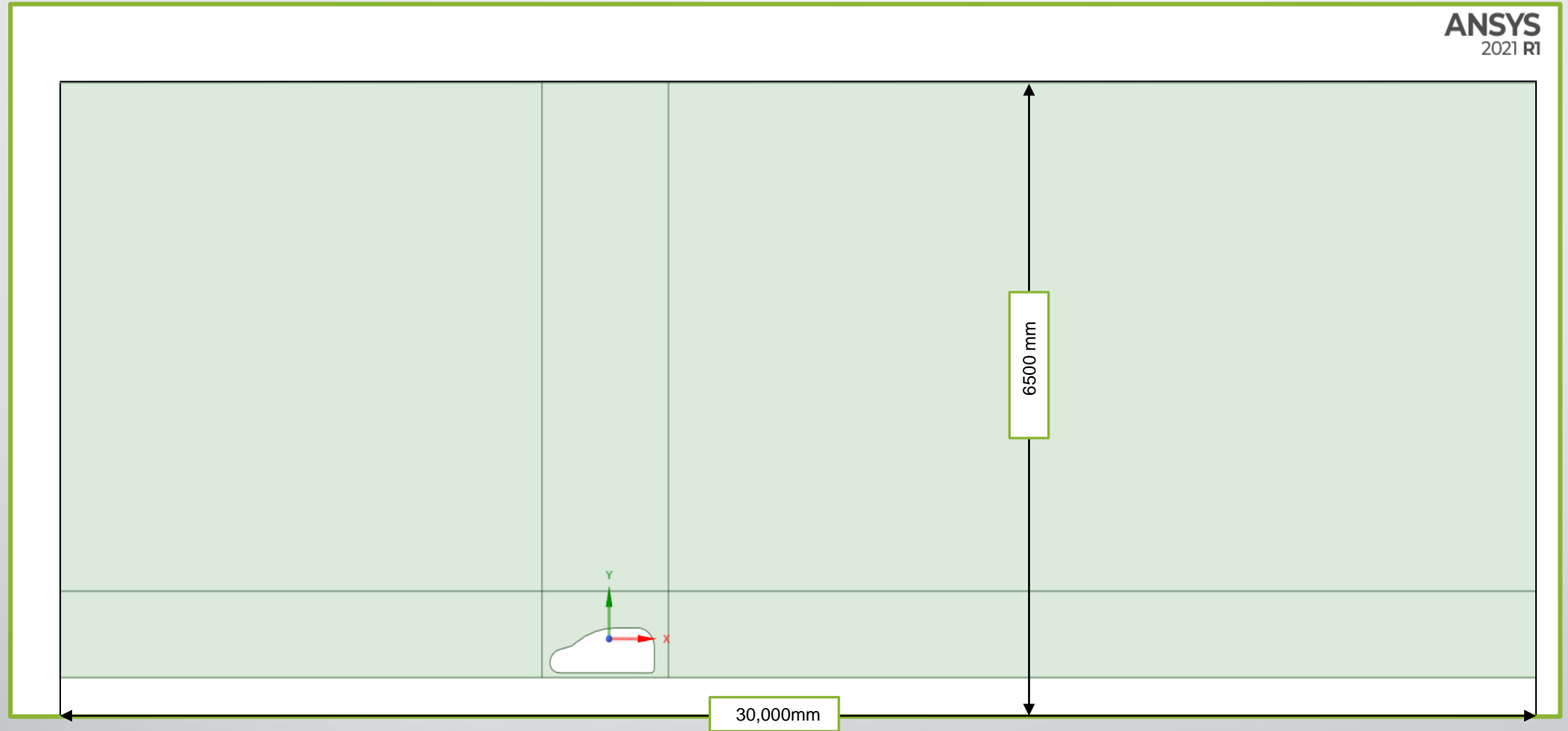
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2D Profile Sketch



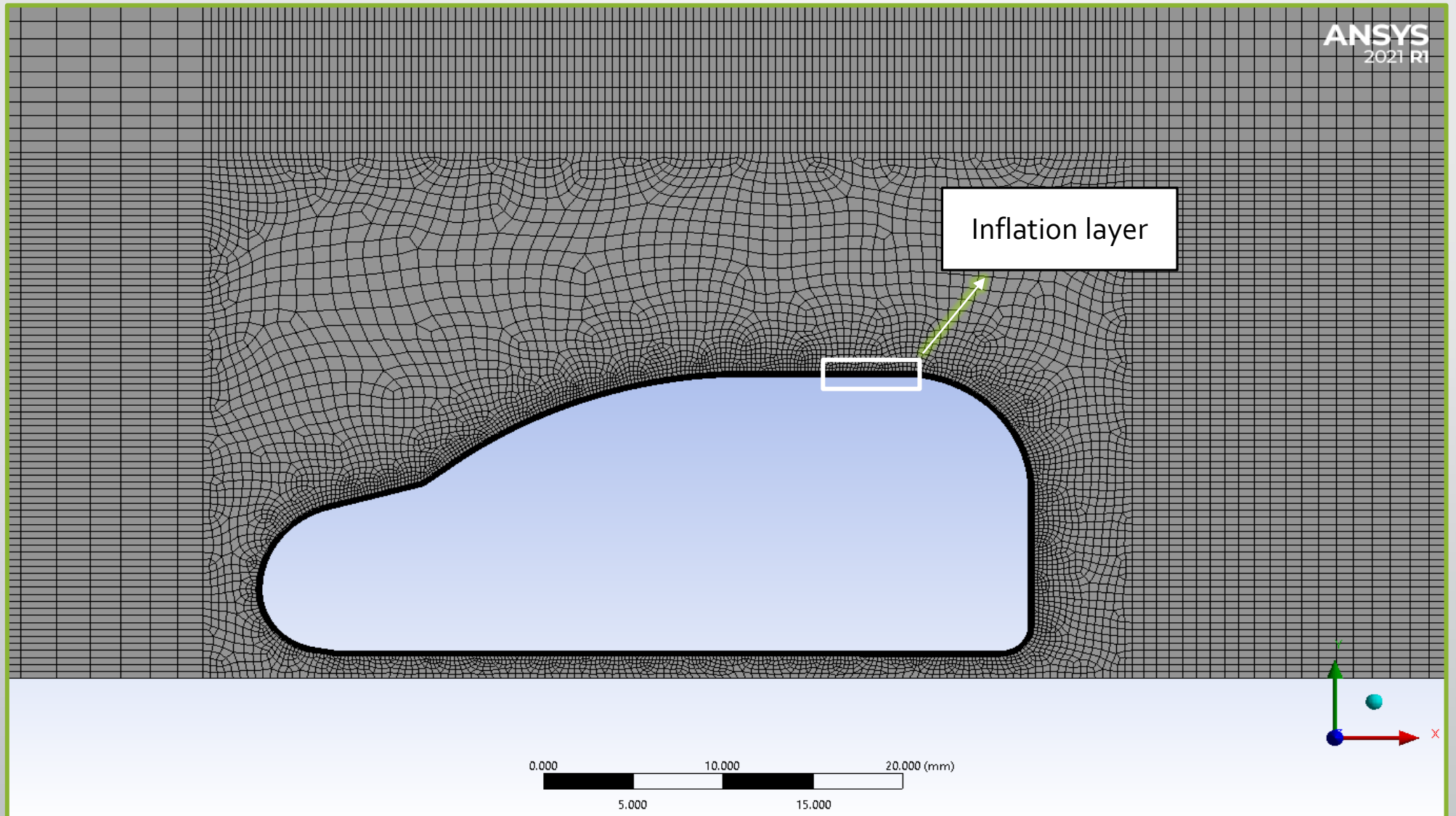
Enclosure



Length: 33,000 mm

Width: 6500 mm

Mesh Settings



Settings

Viscous Model:

- K-epsilon
- Realizable
- Standard wall functions

Velocity magnitude: 36.111
m/s

Area: 1.874 m²

Density: 1.225 kg/m³

Reference Values



Compute from

vel_inlet

Reference Values

Area [m ²]	1.874
Density [kg/m ³]	1.225
Depth [m]	1
Enthalpy [J/kg]	0
Length [m]	1
Pressure [Pa]	0
Temperature [K]	288.16
Velocity [m/s]	36.11
Viscosity [kg/(m s)]	1.7894e-05
Ratio of Specific Heats	1.4
Yplus for Heat Tran. Coef.	300

Reference Zone

solid-fff_surface

Scaling Factor

F

Scale Mesh

×

Domain Extents

Xmin [m] -23.19542Xmax [m] 39.16284

Ymin [m] -1.468324Ymax [m] 21.1091

View Length Unit In

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Scaling

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X 103.476

Y 103.476

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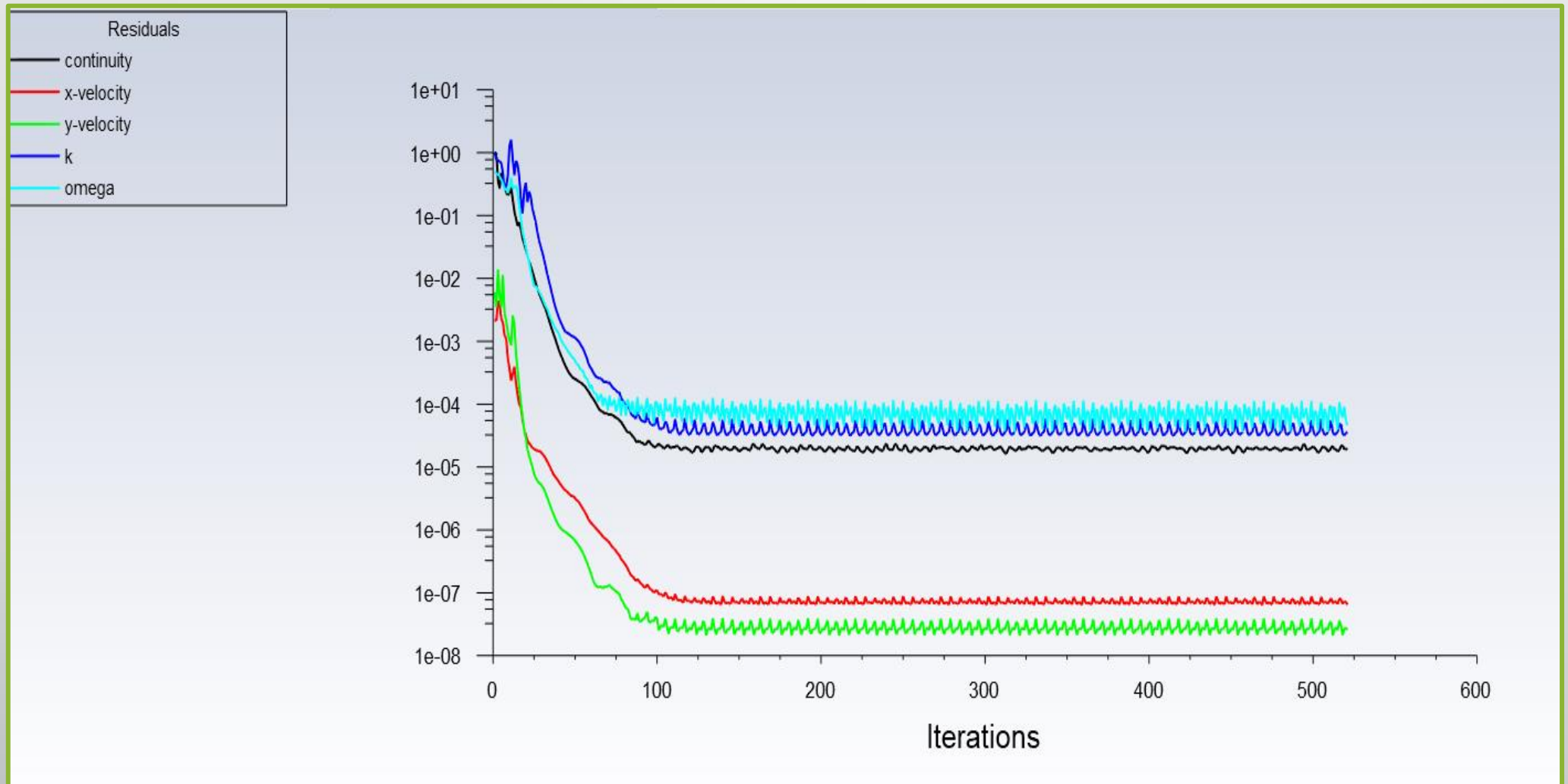
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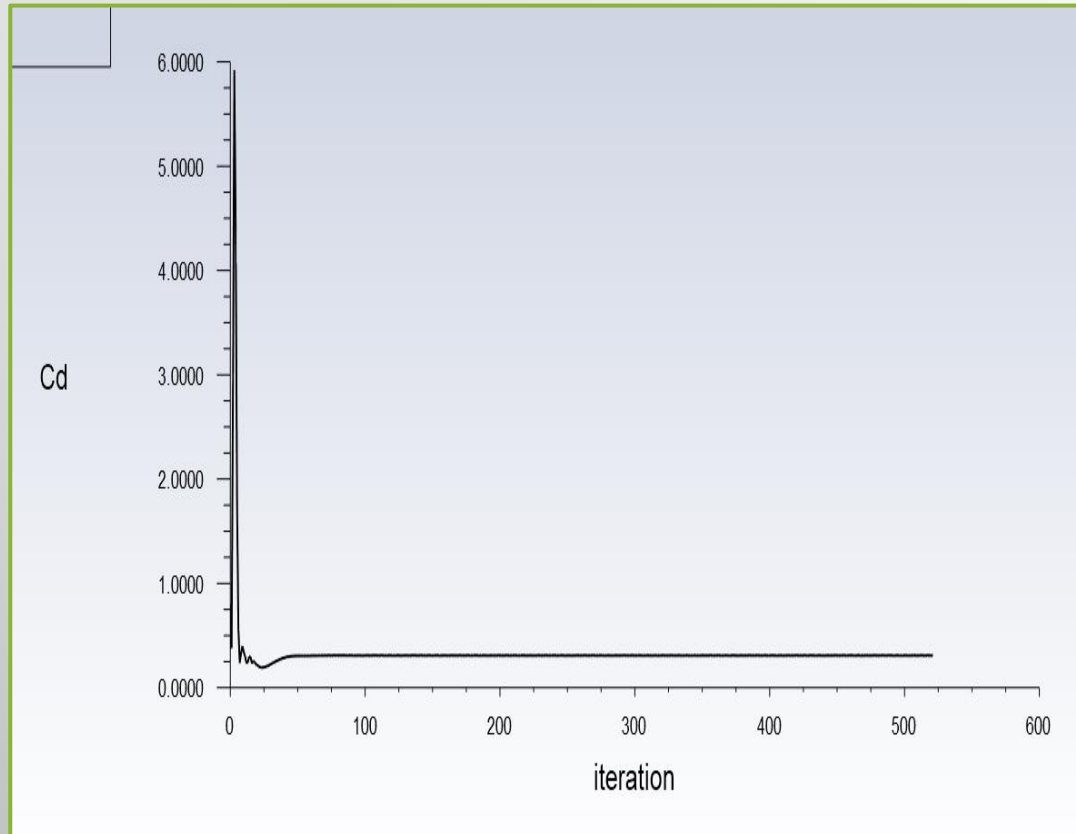
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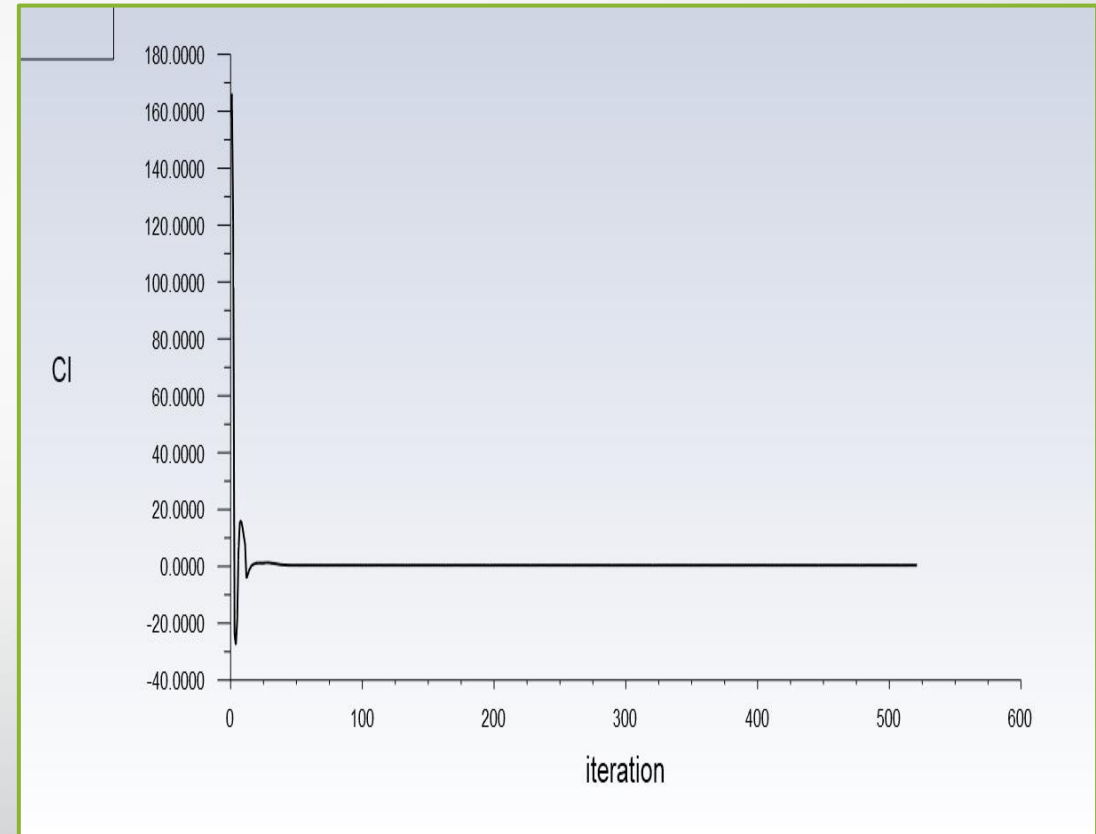
Iterations



Coefficient of Drag and Lift

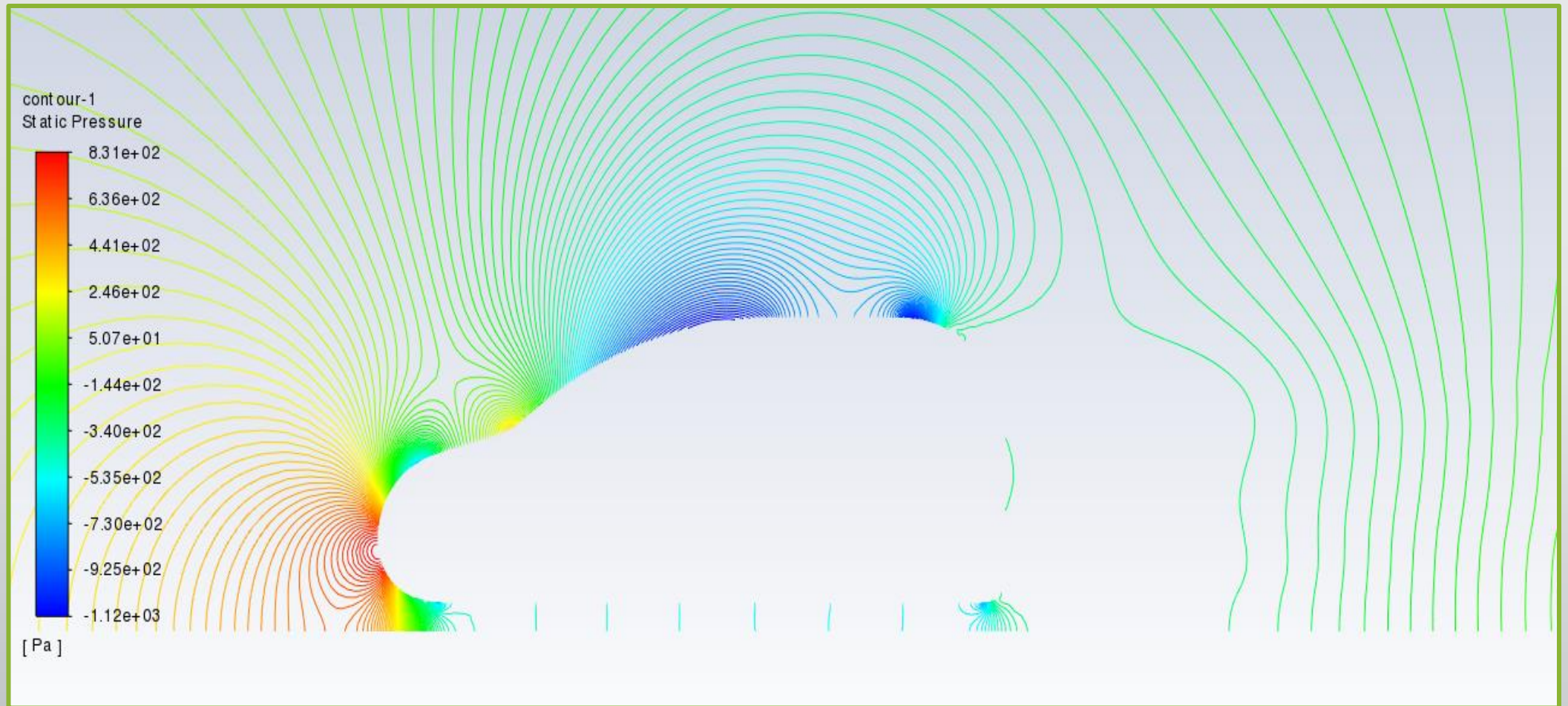


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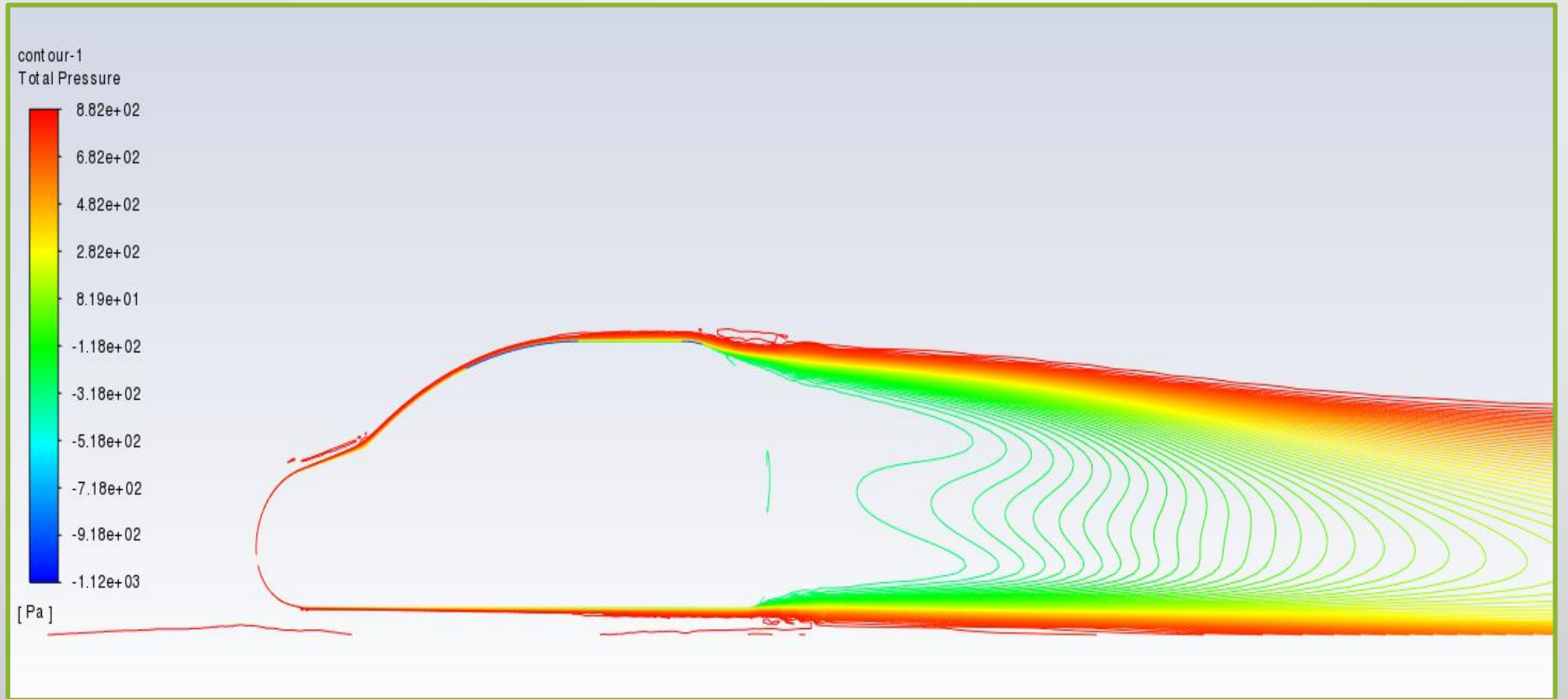


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Pressure Contours

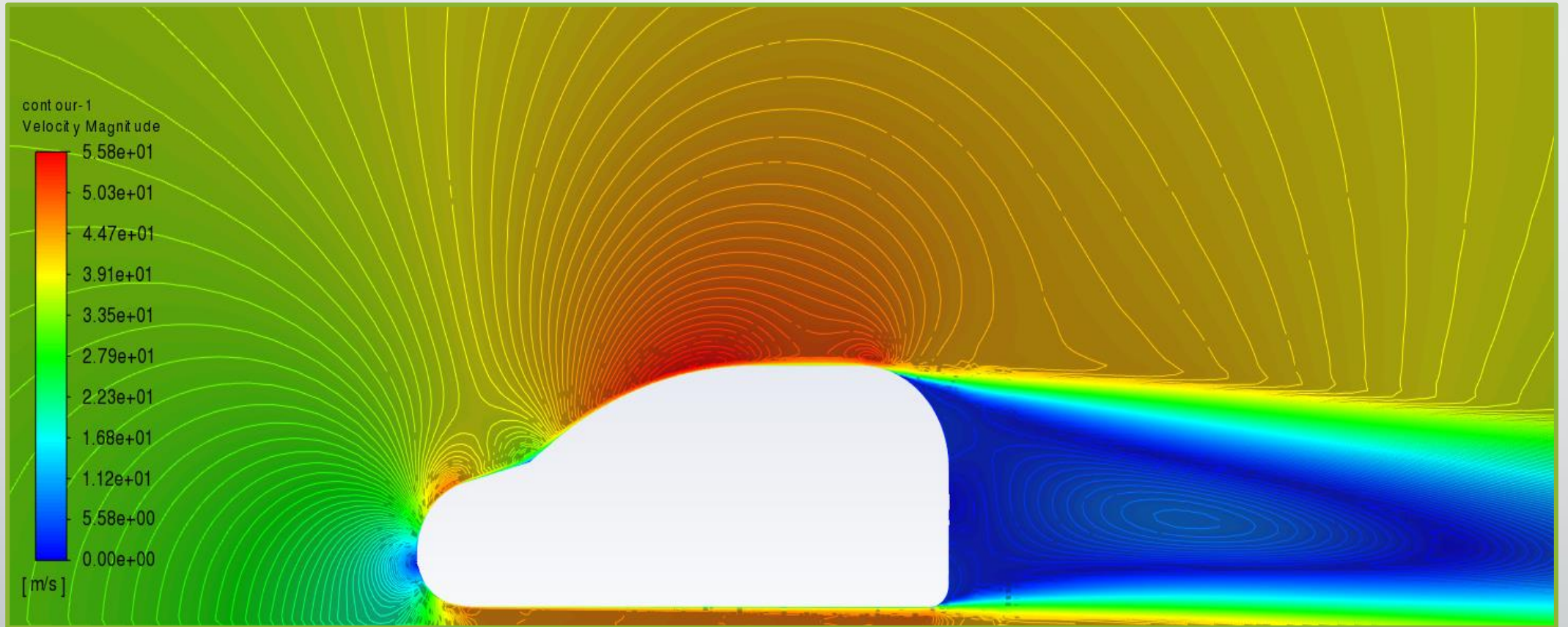


Static Pressure Contours



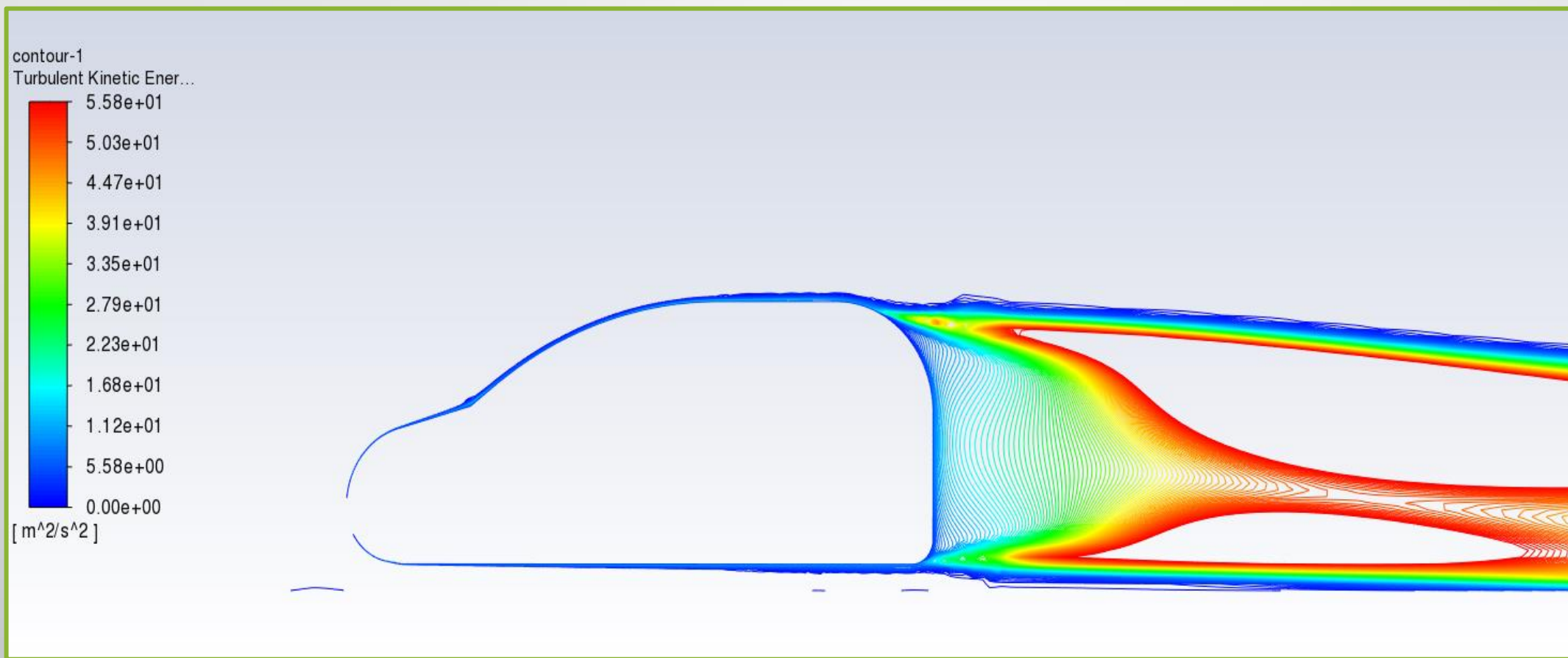
Total Pressure

Velocity Contour



Velocity Magnitude

Kinetic Energy Contour



Turbulent Kinetic Energy