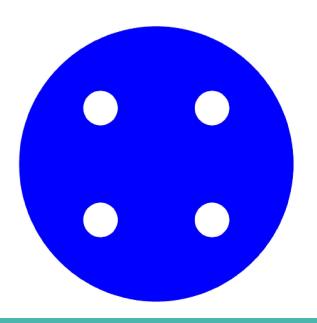
# Enhancement of TMS in PCM charged heat exchanger

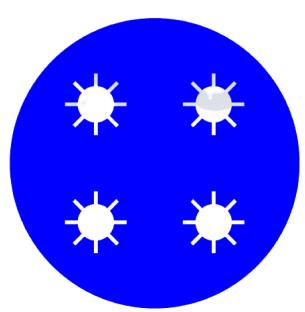
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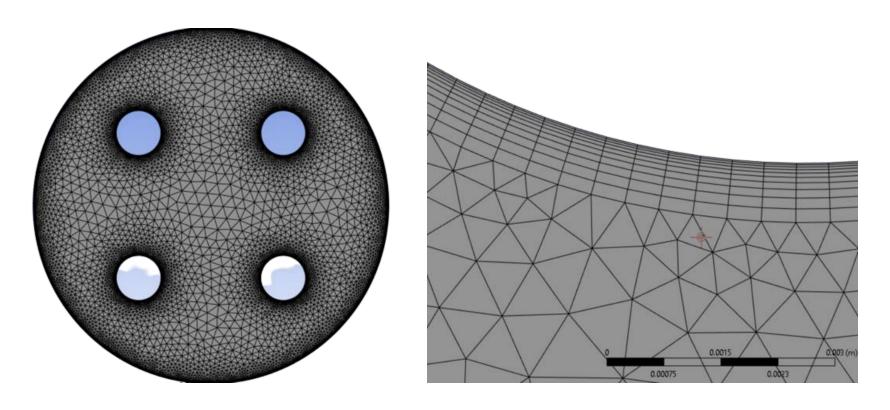
# **Objective**

To estimate the performance capability of heat exchanger, charged with PCM (gallium) material in the shell region, with and without fin.

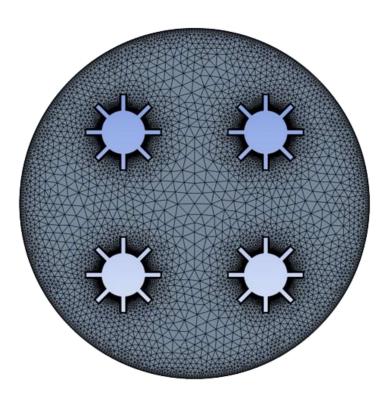




# Meshing



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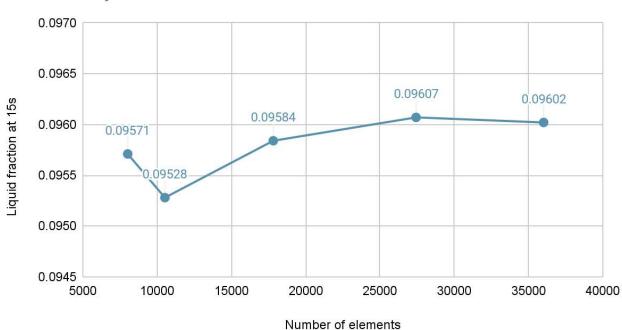


# Meshing quality and inflation

| Quality            |                 |  |
|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| Check Mesh Quality | Yes, Errors     |  |
| Target Skewness    | Default (0.9)   |  |
| Smoothing          | Medium          |  |
| Mesh Metric        | Element Quality |  |
| Min                | 0.10598         |  |
| Max                | 1.              |  |
| Average            | 0.63723         |  |

# Mesh independent study

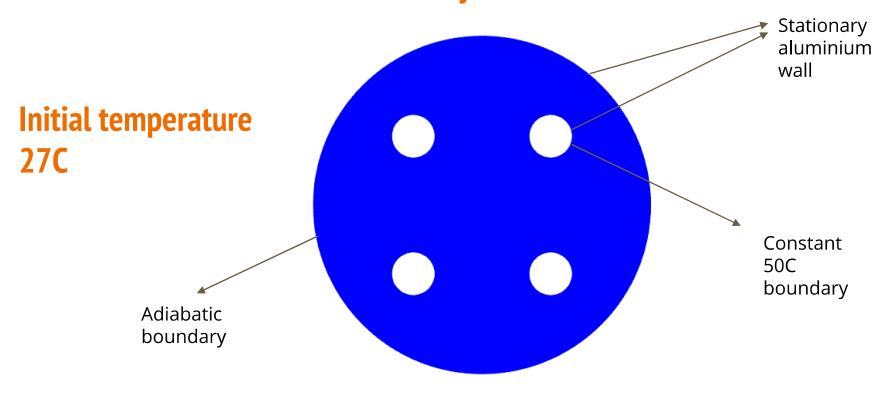
#### Mesh Study



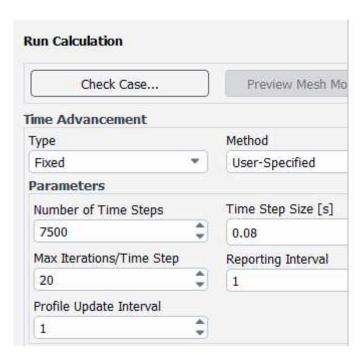
## Setup

- Transient
- Viscous(Laminar) model (movement of gallium in melting region is laminar)
- Gravity (-9.81m/s^2) in y direction
- Boussinesq approximation for density
- PCM material is gallium
- Melting point of gallium = 29.2 C

# **Boundary Condition**



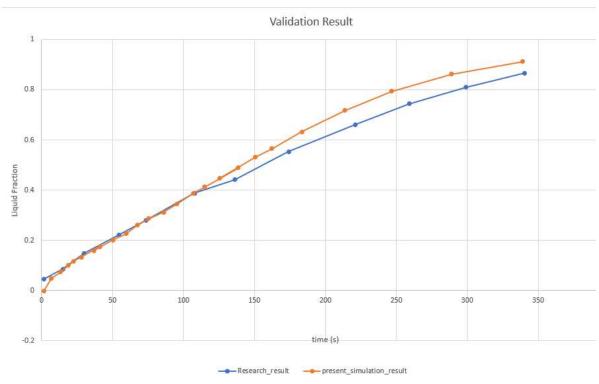
# **Calculation settings**



# **Courant number for previous step size**



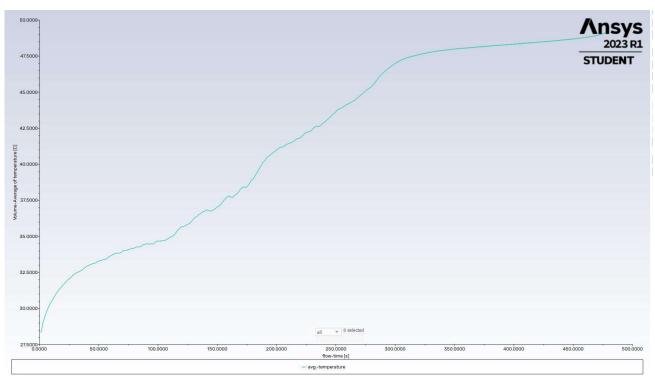
#### **Validation**



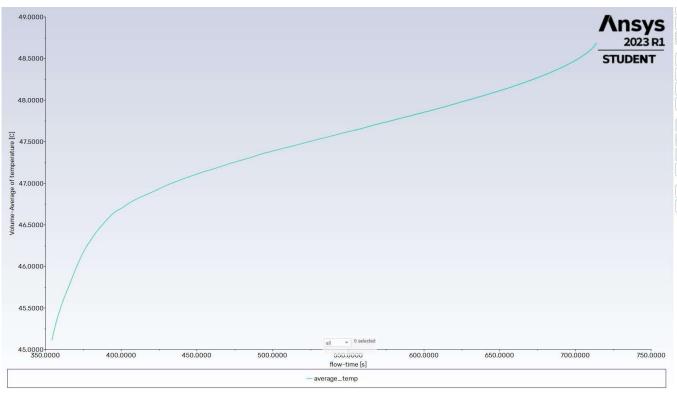
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Time taken for liquid fraction to reach 1

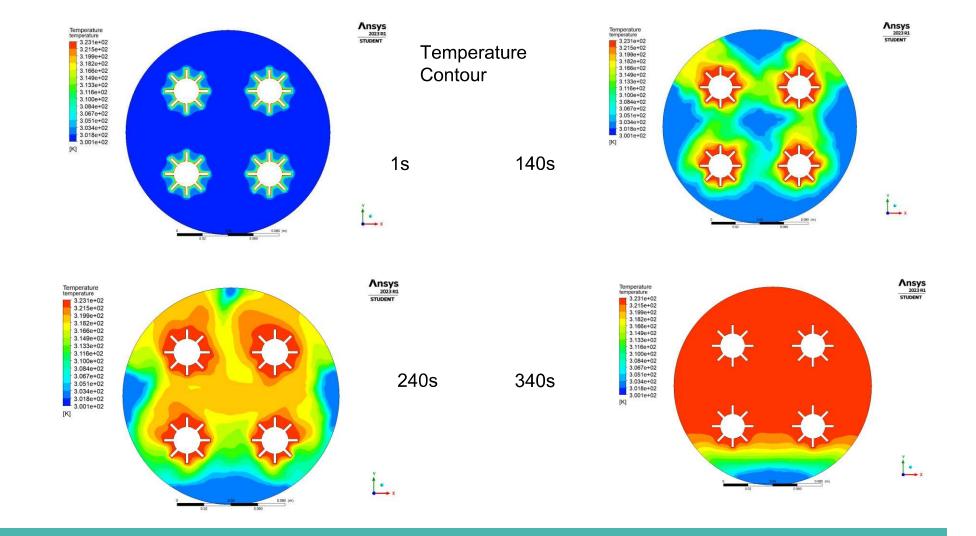
- Without fin = 719s
- With hex fin = 481s

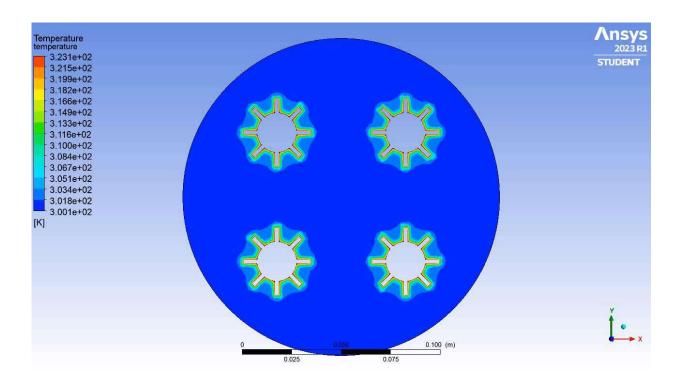


Average temperature hex finned pipe



Average temperature without fin





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