



Powering Innovation That Drives Human Advancement

Automation challenge

Problem Answer - Preprocessing 1

First identify the two circular faces

- How: a circle has only one edge! We know how to loop through all the faces. We can identify the two faces in a variety of way (Area, centroid, normal,...) we are going to do it counting the edges belonging to a surface. The two cylindrical surfaces will only have one edge

```
surfaces=[]
for assembly in DataModel.GeoData.Assemblies:
    for part in assembly.Parts:
        for body in part.Bodies:
            for surface in body.Faces:
                if len(surface.Edges)==1:
                    surfaces.append(surface)
```

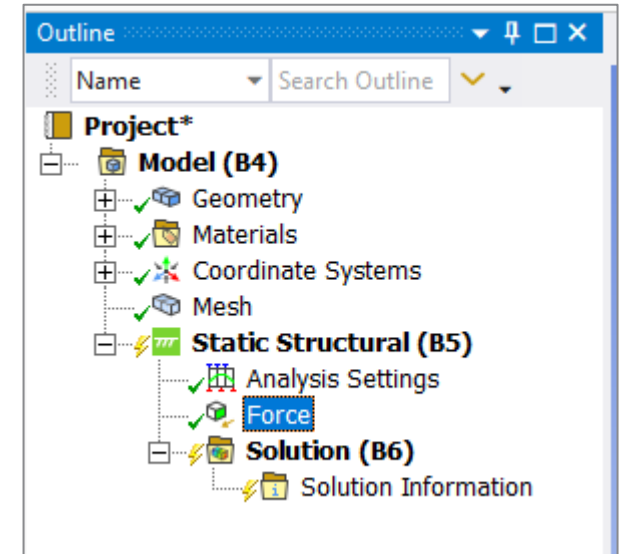
We also need the length of the cylinder (L) and the cross-section area (A)

```
A=surfaces[0].Area
L=surfaces[0].Centroid[1]-surfaces[1].Centroid[1] # assuming cylinder axis=Y axis
```

Problem Answer - Preprocessing 2

We can now create the force on the first surface with 1N magnitude

```
analysis= Model.Analyses[0]
Force=analysis.AddForce()
face1=DataModel.GeoData.GeoEntityById(surfaces[0].Id)
selection =
ExtAPI.SelectionManager.CreateSelectionInfo(SelectionTypeEnum.GeometryEntities)
selection.Entities = [face1]
Force.Location = selection
Force.Magnitude.Output.DiscreteValues = [Quantity("1 [N]")]
```



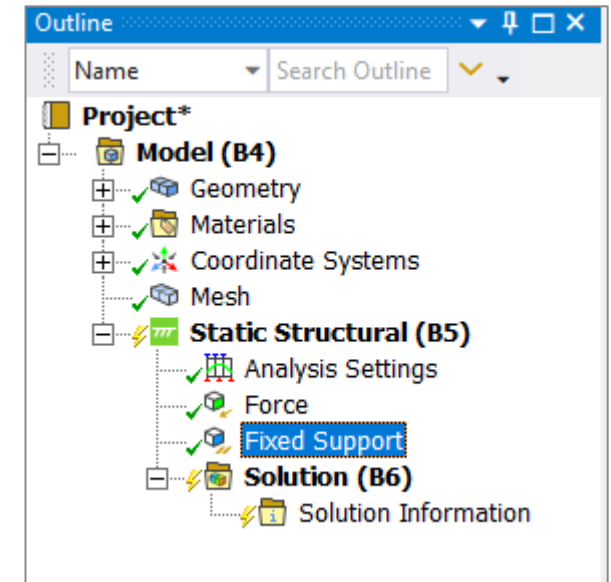
Problem Answer - Preprocessing 3

And a fixed support on the other surface:

```
support=analysis.AddFixedSupport()  
face2=DataModel.GeoData.GeoEntityById(surfaces[1].Id)  
selection =  
ExtAPI.SelectionManager.CreateSelectionInfo(SelectionTypeEnum.GeometryEntities)  
selection.Entities = [face2]  
support.Location = selection
```

We are now ready to solve

```
analysis.Solve(True)
```



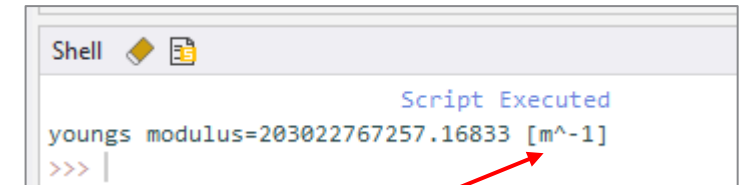
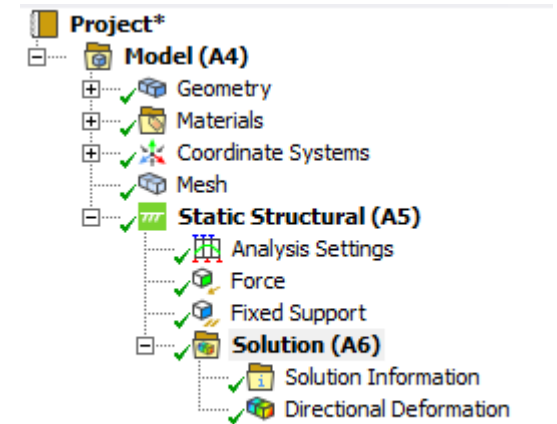
Problem Answer - Postprocessing 1

We now need to create the appropriate results and extract the maximum displacement in the axis direction:

```
res=analysis.Solution.AddDirectionalDeformation()  
res.NormalOrientation=NormalOrientationType.YAxis  
res.EvaluateAllResults()  
DL=res.Maximum
```

Then we can calculate:

```
e=DL/L  
S=1/A  
E=S/e  
print 'youngs modulus=' + str(E)
```



The value of the E has incorrect units.
Why?

Problem Answer - Postprocessing 1.1

Quantity failure

L is a System.Double without units

DL is a Quantity with units [m]

e should be unit-less

A should be m^2 but is also unit-less

S=1/A - is [] should be N/m^2

E=S/e - [Pa/e]

Important, understand the parameters used!

Solutions: use unitless values everywhere (DL.Value), or preferably, use Quantities everywhere:

Length = Quantity(str(L)+ "[m]")

Area = Quantity(str(A)+ "[m^2]")

Force = Quantity(str(1)+ "[N]")

$$\text{Young's Modulus} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} ; \sigma = \frac{F}{A} ; \epsilon = \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$

```
>>> EModulus
'201419979353.70389 [J m^-3]'
```

```
Shell
>>> L
0,100000001490116
>>>
```

```
Shell
>>> L.GetType()
System.Double
>>>
```

```
Shell
>>> DL.GetType()
Ansys.Core.Units.Quantity
>>> DL
'6.3535368077793919E-09 [m]'
>>> |
```

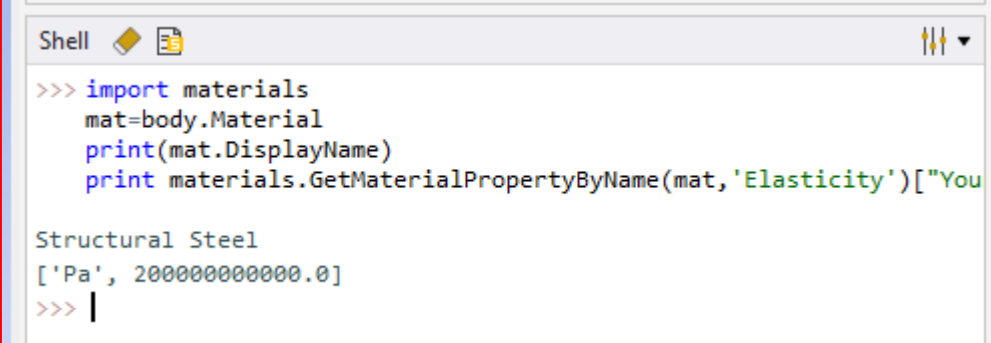
```
Shell
>>> A
7,81416818682601E-05
>>> |
```

Problem Answer - Postprocessing 2

We could compare this value with the material young's modulus

To view materials we can use the materials module

```
import materials
mat=body.Material
print(mat.DisplayName)
print materials.GetMaterialPropertyByName(mat, 'Elasticity')["Young's Modulus"]
```

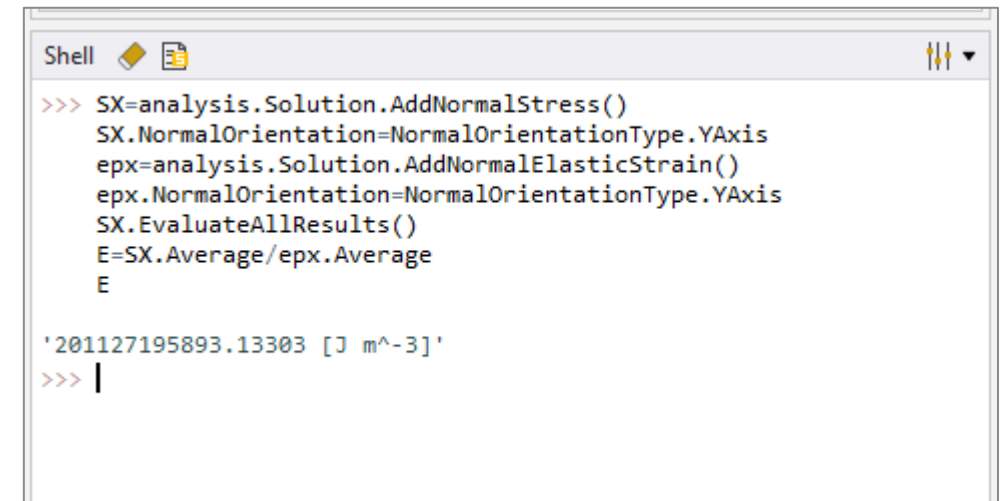


The screenshot shows a Python Shell window titled "Shell". The code entered is: `>>> import materials`, `mat=body.Material`, `print(mat.DisplayName)`, and `print materials.GetMaterialPropertyByName(mat, 'Elasticity')["You`. The output displayed is: `Structural Steel` and `['Pa', 200000000000.0]`. The prompt `>>> |` is visible at the bottom.

Problem Answer - Postprocessing 3

We could also have gotten the ["Young's Modulus"] by dividing the average stress in the axis direction by the average strain in the same direction

```
SX=analysis.Solution.AddNormalStress()  
SX.NormalOrientation=NormalOrientationType.YAxis  
epx=analysis.Solution.AddNormalElasticStrain()  
epx.NormalOrientation=NormalOrientationType.YAxis  
SX.EvaluateAllResults()  
E=SX.Average/epx.Average  
E
```



```
Shell  
>>> SX=analysis.Solution.AddNormalStress()  
SX.NormalOrientation=NormalOrientationType.YAxis  
epx=analysis.Solution.AddNormalElasticStrain()  
epx.NormalOrientation=NormalOrientationType.YAxis  
SX.EvaluateAllResults()  
E=SX.Average/epx.Average  
E  
  
'201127195893.13303 [J m^-3]'  
>>> |
```

Note the model is assumed to be aligned to the Y axis and the strain is calculated for that direction.

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