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Module 04 Student Step-by-Step Guide: Geometry, Materials, and Coordinate Systems

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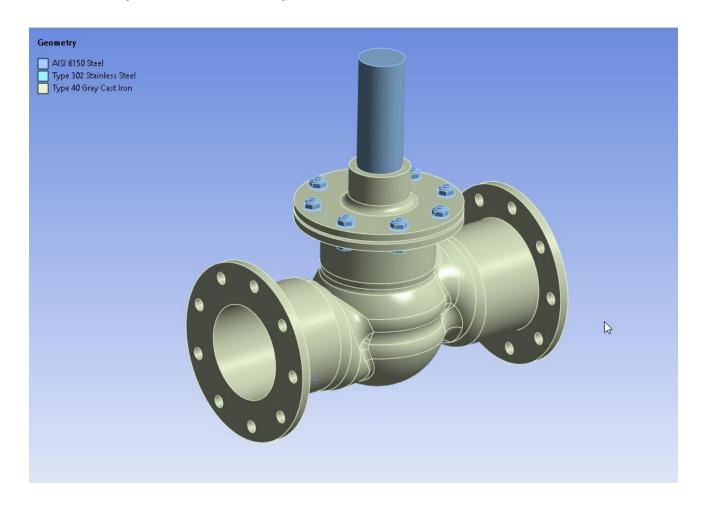
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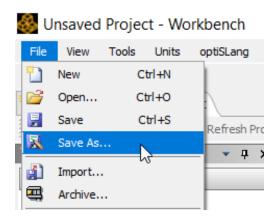




• Use this guide to repeat the steps the instructor demonstrated within this module



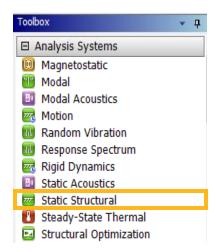
- Open a new Workbench project and save it:
- Start button → All Programs → ANSYS nn.n → Workbench nn.n
- File \rightarrow Save As ...

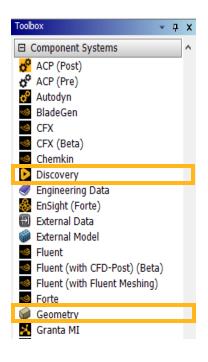


• Choose an appropriate location on the hard disk and name this project "M04.wbpj"

- We will firstly create the analysis workflow:
- Insert an Engineering Data component system: Double Click on Engineering Data in the toolbox
- Insert a Geometry component system, same way as above

- Insert a Static Structural Analysis System:
- DC on Static Structural from the toolbox

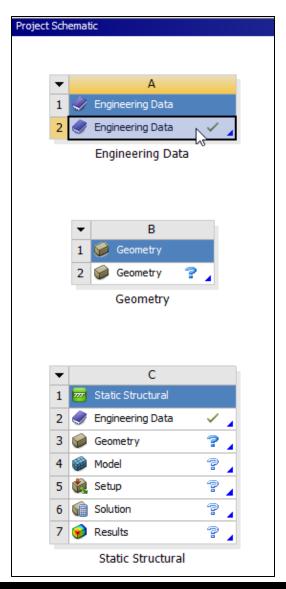






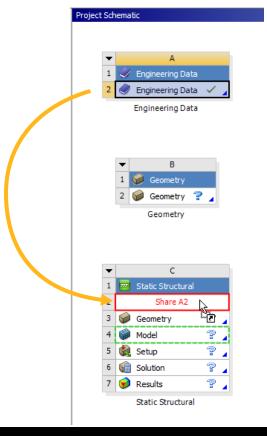


• The project page should look like this:

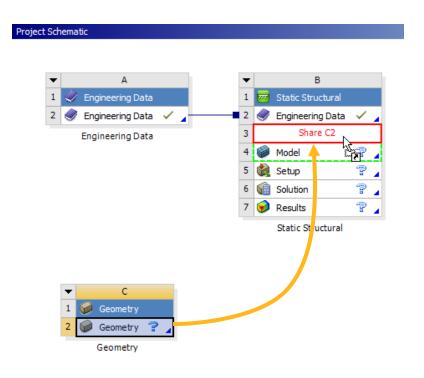




- Define the links between each system:
 - Drag and drop A2 cell from Engineering Data onto C2 cell from Static Structural

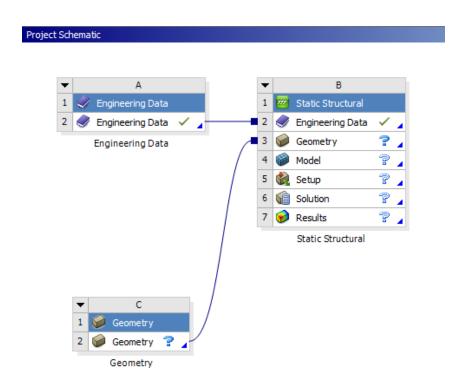


Drag and drop C2 cell from Geometry onto B3 cell from Static Structural





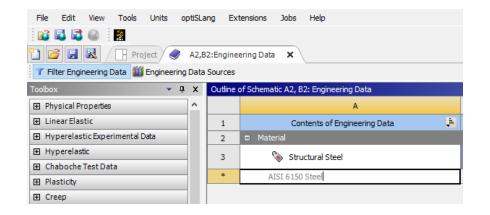
• The Project Schematic should now look like this:



• In this Module, it remains to define Materials and Geometry used in the simulation.



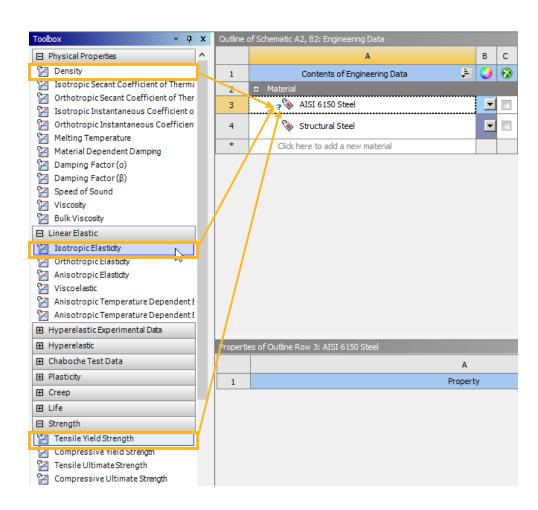
- Double Click on cell **A2** to enter the **Engineering Data** application.
- Click on the bottom line of column A to create a new material.



Enter the name: AISI 6150 Steel



- Search for the following properties in the toolbox:
 - Physical Properties: Density
 - Linear Elasticity: Isotropic Elasticity
 - Strength: Tensile Yield Strength
- Drag and drop each property onto AISI 6150 Steel material

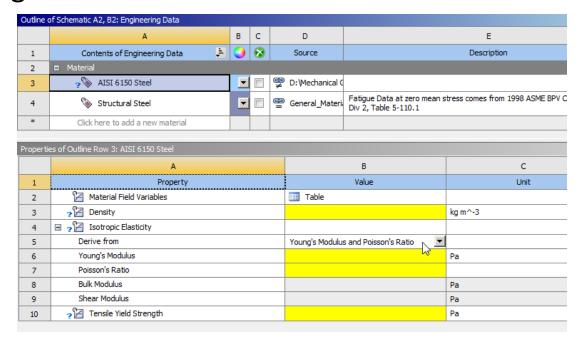




• Fill in the properties values with the following information:

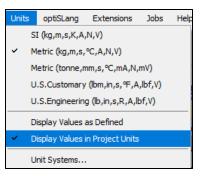
AISI 6150 Steel:

- Elastic modulus E = 29,700,000 psi
- Poisson's ratio y = 0.29
- Density $\rho = 0.284$ lbm/in³
- Yield strength $\sigma y = 74,700 \text{ psi}$



Note:

- As needed, you can change the displayed unit system in the Units Menu.
- Keep "Display Values in Project Units" checked so that values are automatically converted from one system to another one.





Repeat the steps to create 2 more materials:

Type 40 Gray Cast Iron:

- Elastic modulus E = 17,695,000 psi
- Poisson's ratio v = 0.29
- Density $\rho = 0.25831 \, \text{lbm/in}^3$
- Ultimate strength* σy = 42,641 psi

Properties of Outline Row 6: Type 40 Gray Cast Iron				
	A	В	С	
1	Property	Value	Unit	
2	Material Field Variables	Table		
3	🔁 Density	0.25831	lbm in^-3	
4	☐ ☐ Isotropic Elasticity			
5	Derive from	Young's Modulus and Poisson's Ratio		
6	Young's Modulus	1.7695E+07	psi	
7	Poisson's Ratio	0.29		
8	Bulk Modulus	1.4044E+07	psi	
9	Shear Modulus	6.8585E+06	psi	
10	🔁 Tensile Ultimate Strength	42641	psi	

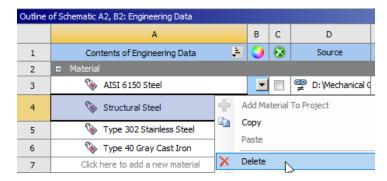
Type 302 Stainless Steel:

- Elastic modulus E = 28,000,000 psi
- Poisson's ratio v = 0.25
- Density $\rho = 0.284$ lbm/in³
- Yield strength $\sigma y = 34,800 \text{ psi}$

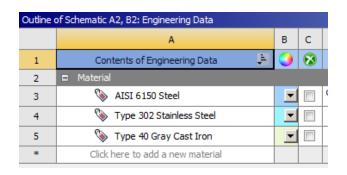
Properties of Outline Row 4: Type 302 Stainless Steel				
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1	Property	Value	Unit	
2	Material Field Variables	Table		
3	Density	0.284	lbm in^-3	
4	☐ Isotropic Elasticity			
5	Derive from	Young's Modulus and Poisson's Ratio		
6	Young's Modulus	2.8E+07	psi	
7	Poisson's Ratio	0.25		
8	Bulk Modulus	1.8667E+07	psi	
9	Shear Modulus	1.12E+07	psi	
10	🔀 Tensile Yield Strength	34800	psi	



• When it's done, you can delete the Structural Steel material from the list. (RMB→Delete)



So that the material list contains all the materials to be used in the analysis.

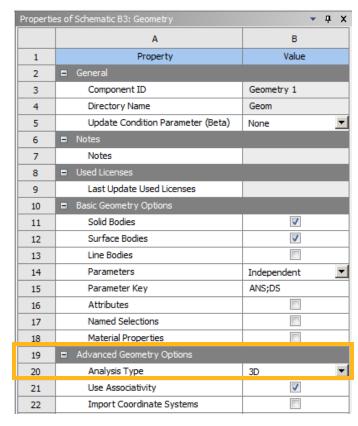


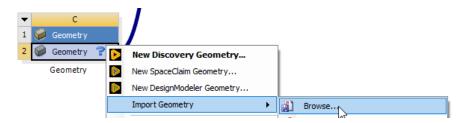


• Then, you can return to the project page, by closing the Engineering Data tab.

 Next step consists of the geometry import. We'll import the CAD file in the geometry editor to create associativity between the geometry and the Mechanical model.

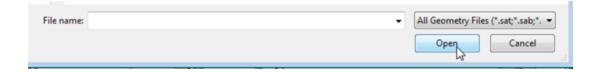
- Display geometry properties (Right Mouse Button on C2 cell → Properties) and check the Analysis Type is set to 3D.
- Open SpaceClaim: RMB on C2 cell → New SpaceClaim Geometry



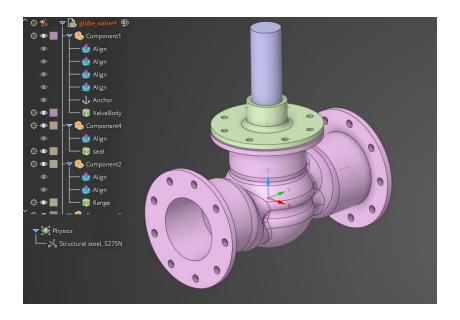




Browse for file globe_valve.scdoc and open it.

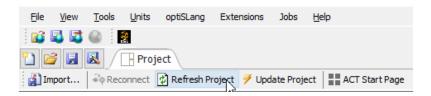


- Open Discovery: RMB on cell C2 → Edit Geometry in Discovery.
- Review the geometry to make sure it has been imported correctly.



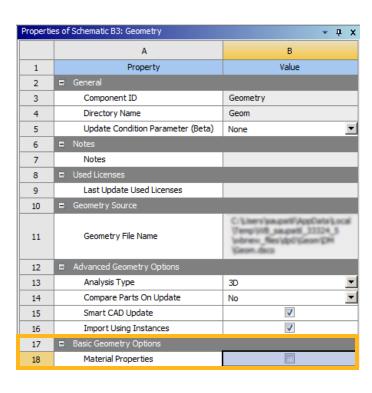


- Check the geometry had been well imported and contains multiple components.
- Close Discovery and return to the Workbench project page.
- At this stage, the **C2 geometry cell** should contain a green check.
- To prevent importing default material from discovery, uncheck the "Material Properties" option from the Geometry cell properties.
- **Refresh ()** the project to transfer geometry and materials into Mechanical.



An intermediate save of the project is recommended.

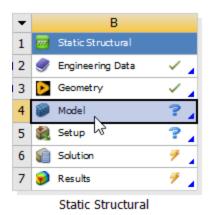






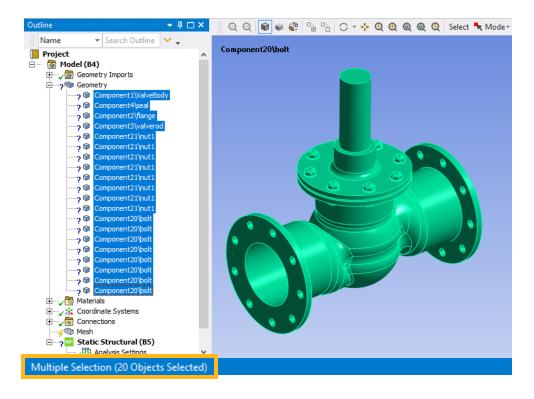


- We will now enter Mechanical to assign materials to each body.
- Enter Mechanical by double clicking on B4 Model cell.

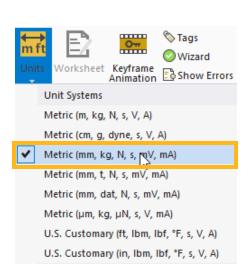




• Once in Mechanical, check that 20 bodies have been imported.

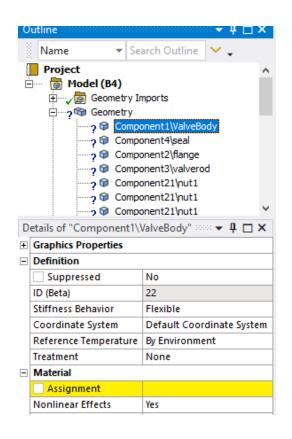


- Check that the Units System is Metric (mm, t, N, s, ...)
- If not, change it in the Units menu in the Home tab





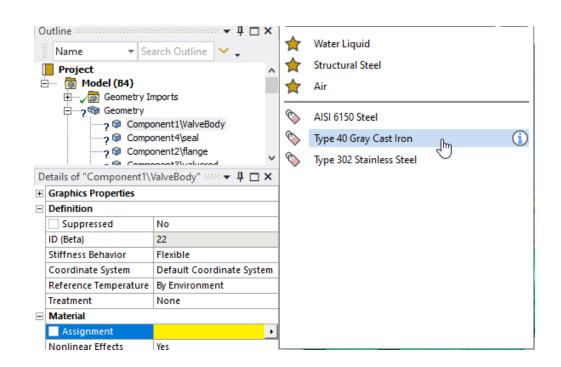
- Note that question marks are present in front of each body line in the tree.
- If you click on the first body in the Mechanical tree, you'll see a yellow line in the details. This means there is a missing information that needs to be provided.
- We need to define the Material assignment for each body.

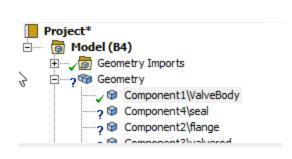


<u>Note:</u> by default, Structural Steel is automatically assigned to all bodies. Because, we have deleted Structural Steel material from the project's material list, material assignment becomes undefined for all bodies.



- The valve body is in Type 40 Gray Cast Iron.
- To assign this material, select the body named "Component1\ValveBody" and change the Material assignment to Type 40 Gray Cast Iron in the details window.
- Verify the green mark is now present in front of the body line in the tree.







Repeat the steps to define the following information:

- Flange: Type 40 Gray Cast Iron

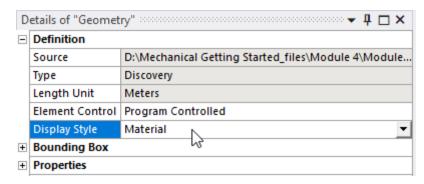
Valve seal: Type 302 Stainless Steel

- Valve rod: AISI 6150 Steel

- Bolts: AISI 6150 Steel

Nuts: AISI 6150 Steel

• You can change **the Display Style** in the **Geometry branch** to **"Material"** to graphically see the material assignment for each body.



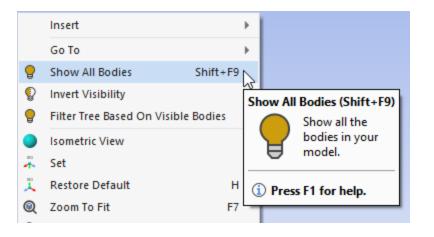
- Select the body filter in the selection tools and click on the flange body to select it.
- Press **F9 key** on your keyboard to hide this body, so that you can graphically see the seal material.





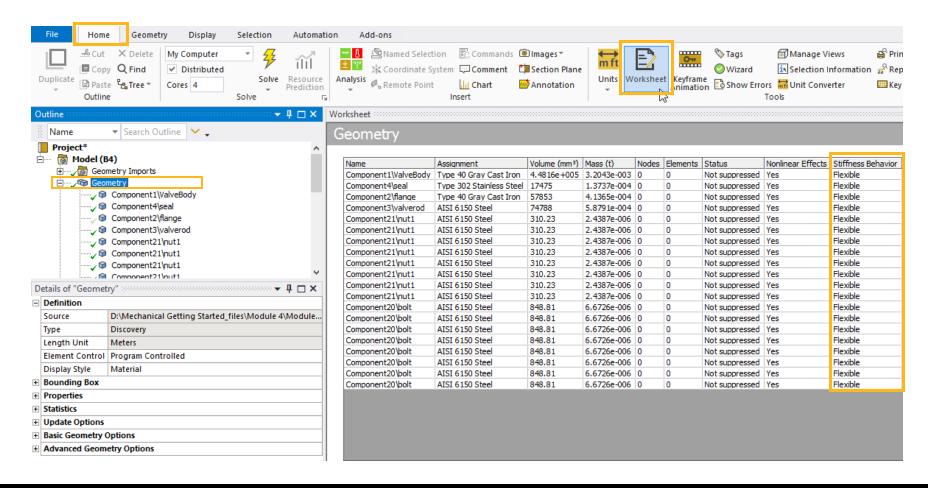


• **RMB** in the graphics window → **Show all bodies** to return to restore the view.





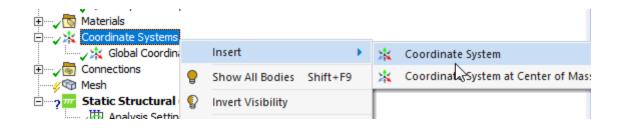
 Check all bodies have flexible stiffness behavior. You can use the Worksheet feature: click on the Geometry branch and then on Worksheet in the toolbar.



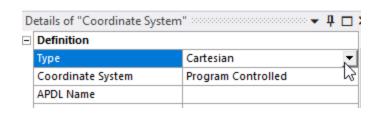
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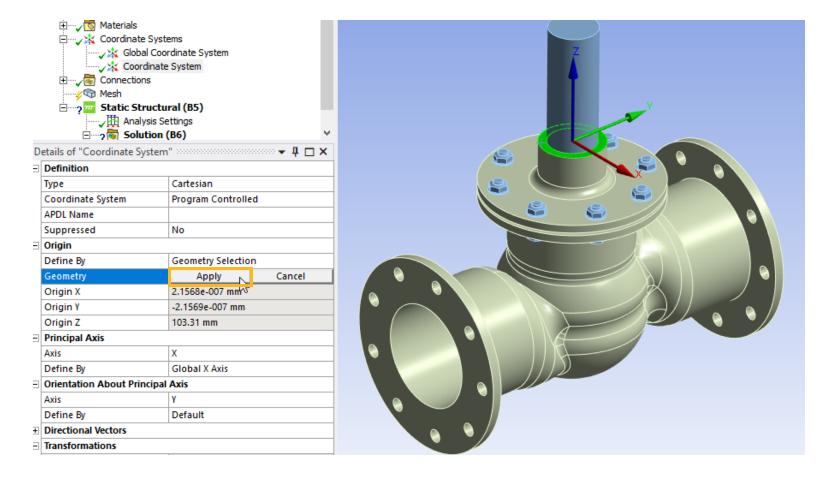
- Create a local coordinate system:
- RMB on Coordinate System branch → Insert → Coordinate System



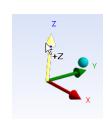
Select Type Cartesian

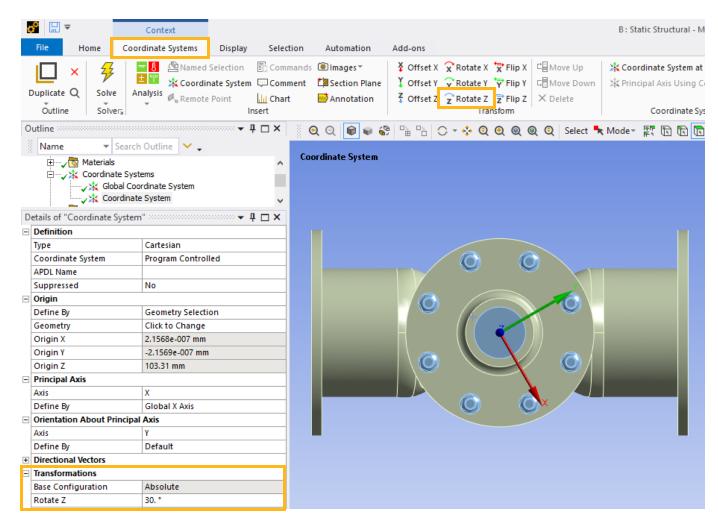


 Chose a geometry object for the origin definition. Select the face as shown on the image, and apply the selection:



- Rotate the coordinate system around local Z axis, with a 30 ° angle:
 - Add a rotation around Z
 - Define the transformation equals to 30°
- Observe the new created local coordinate system
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- Orientate the view normal to global
 +Z axis for a better rendering

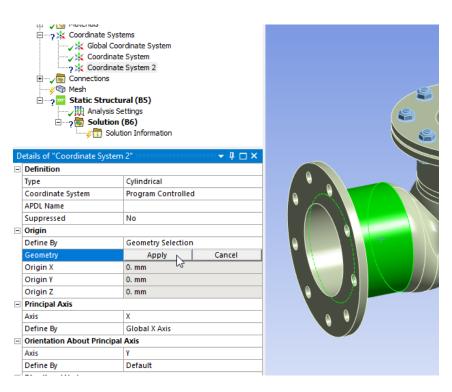






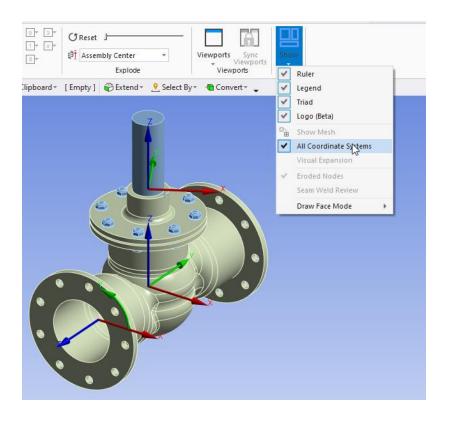


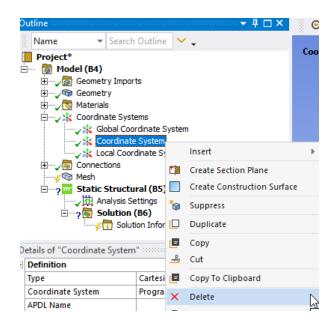
- Create local cylindrical coordinate system at outside surface of Valve Body
- Set Type to Cylindrical
- Select the outer surface of one valve body
- Rename it as "Local Coordinate System"
- Change the orientation of the system so that the Y direction is circumferential





- You can display all the coordinate systems of the model by clicking on Show all coordinate systems in the display tab
- You can also delete a coordinate system by RMB → Delete

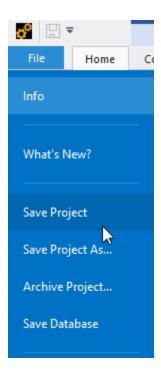








Save the project for possible future use.







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