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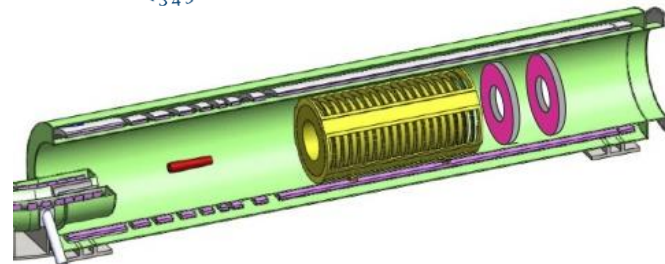
# Detector Solenoid Cool Down Analysis for the Mu2e Experiment

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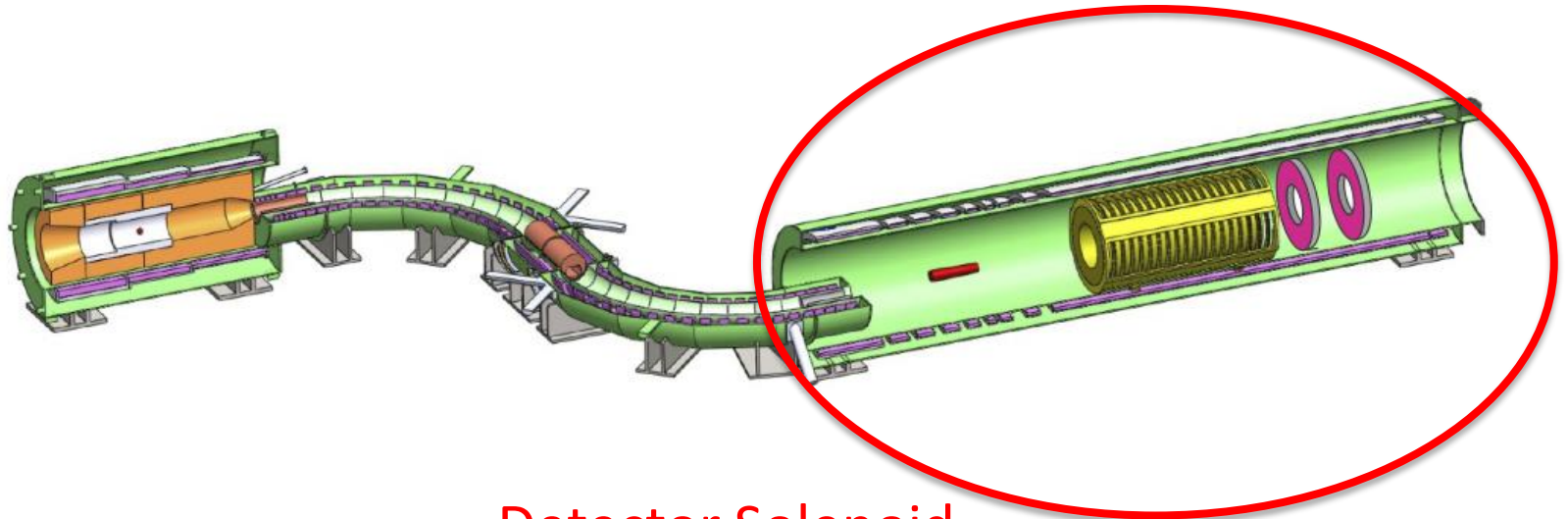


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# Introduction: Mu2e Experiment

- The Mu2e experiment consists of a series of superconducting magnets: Production Solenoid, Transport Solenoid and Detector Solenoid (**DS**).
- These magnets are made of Al-stabilized NbTi conductor and have to be cooled with liquid helium from 300 K to 4.7 K in order to be superconductive.



Detector Solenoid

# Introduction: Training Program

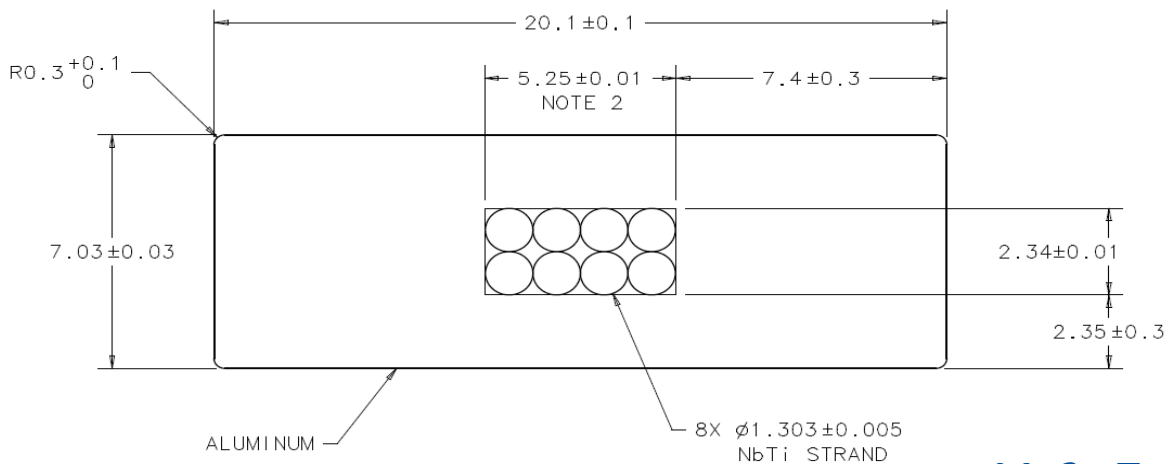
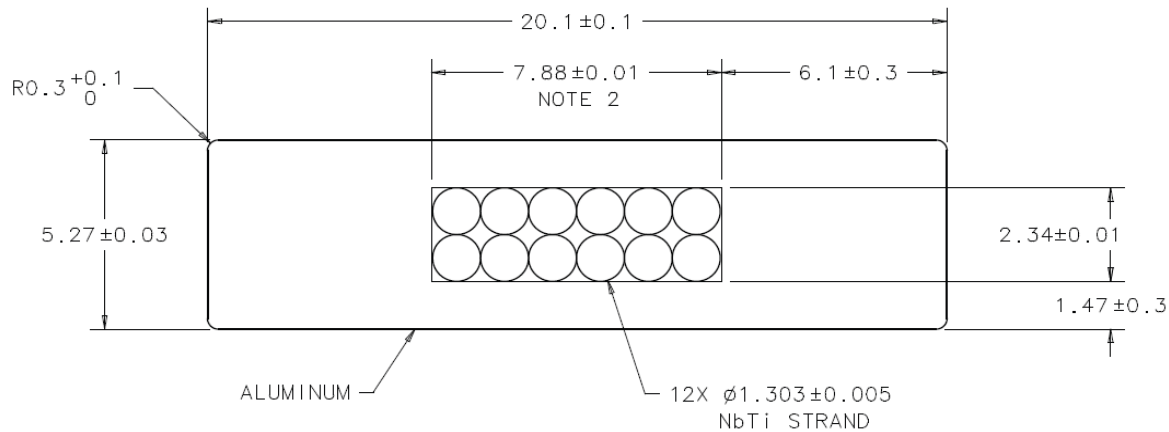
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Mu2e cables are composed by various materials that contracts at different rates. The cooling down process has to be controlled to avoid dangerous thermal stresses in the magnets.

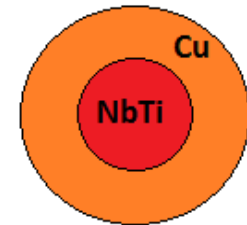
## Task list:

- Focus on the Detector Solenoid
- Model DS1 and DS2 conductors with different materials and insulation.
- Derive average material properties required for a thermal-stress analysis from single conductor model or stack model.
- Perform the 3D FEM thermal-stress analysis for the Detector Solenoid to figure out a safe temperature difference for the cooling down process of the magnet.

# Detector Solenoid Cables



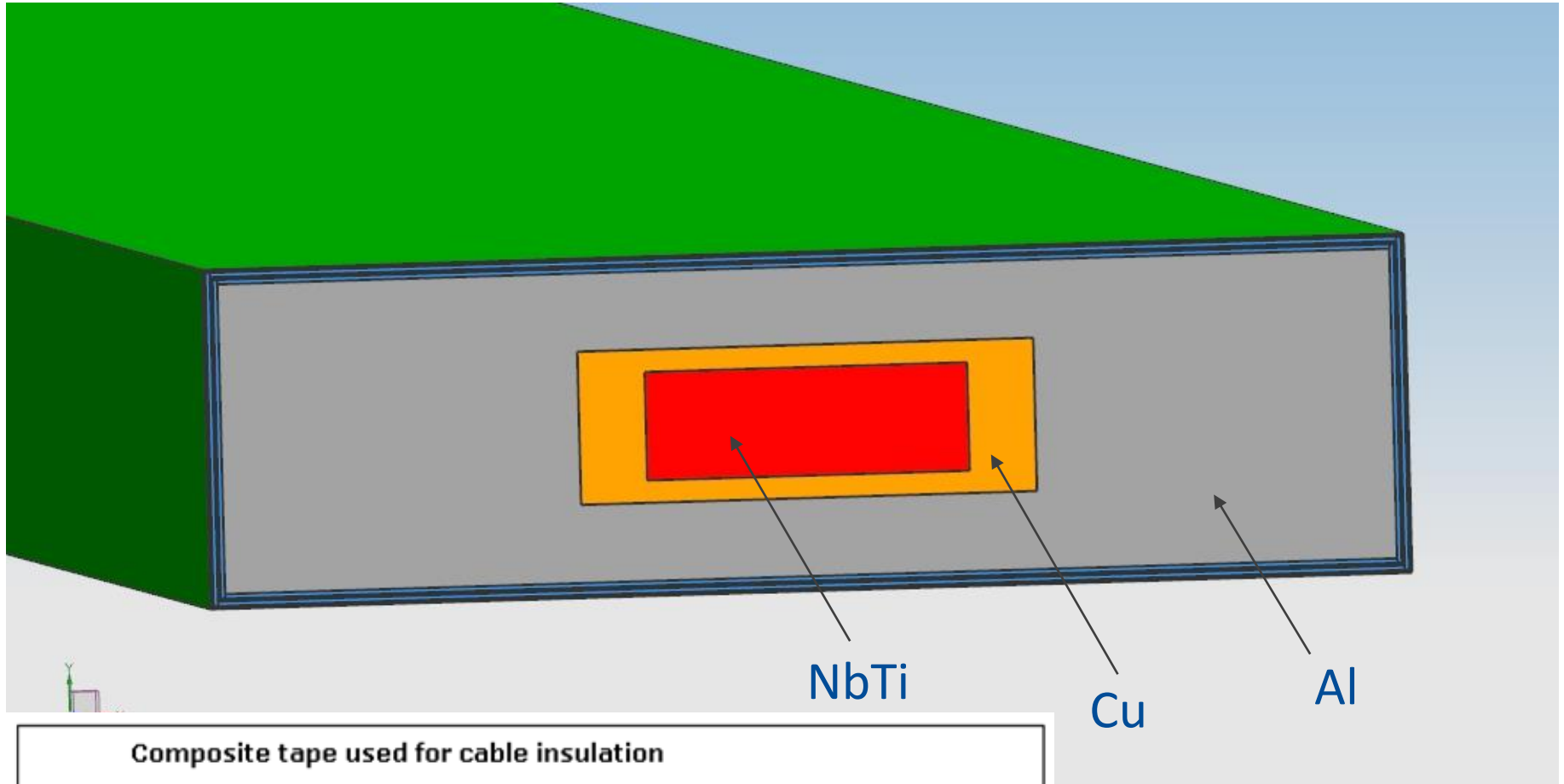
- **Al-stabilized NbTi**  
Rutherford cables



- Two types: DS1 and DS2
- Two layers of insulation each made by **G10**, **kapton**, **epoxy**.

*Mu2e Technical Report*

# DS1 Single Conductor Model



NbTi

Cu

Al

Composite tape used for cable insulation

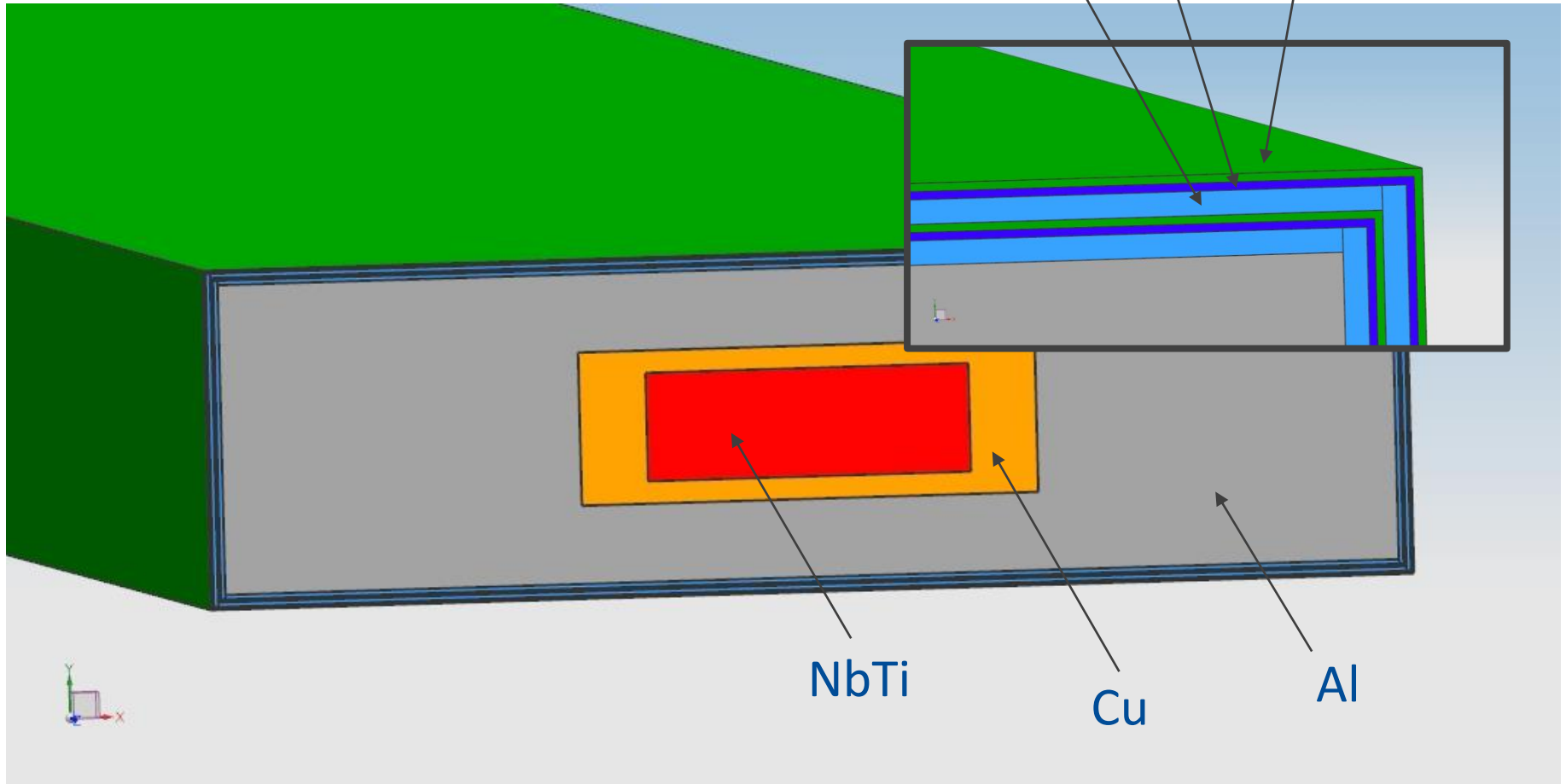


25  $\mu\text{m}$  semi-dry epoxy  
25  $\mu\text{m}$  kapton tape  
75  $\mu\text{m}$  pre-preg E-glass

*Mu2e Technical Report*

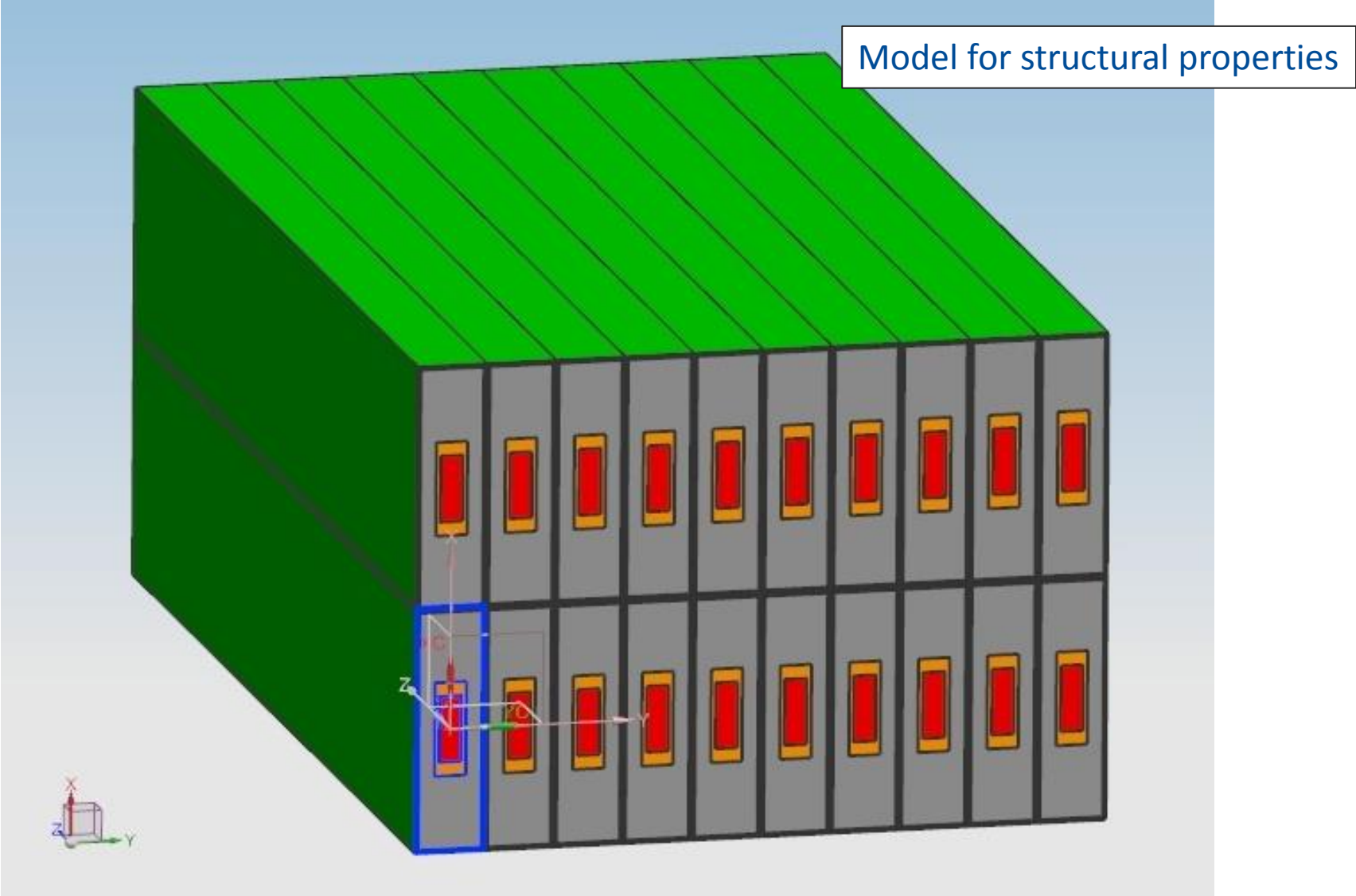
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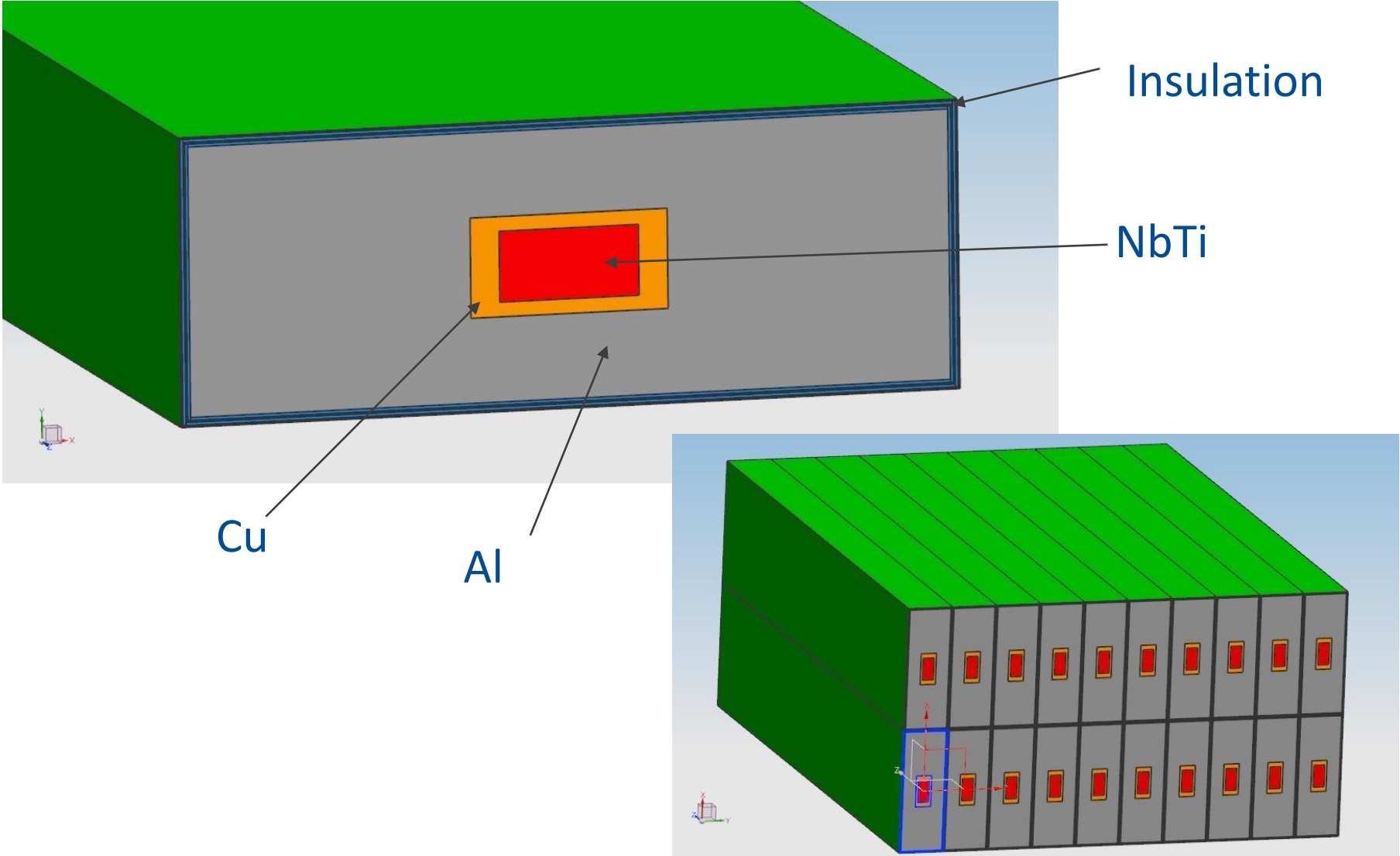


- Copper and NbTi are modelled as rectangles of equivalent areas knowing that the Cu/NbTi area ratio is 1:1.
- G10 is an orthotropic material.

# DS1 Stack Model



# DS2 Single Conductor and Stack Model



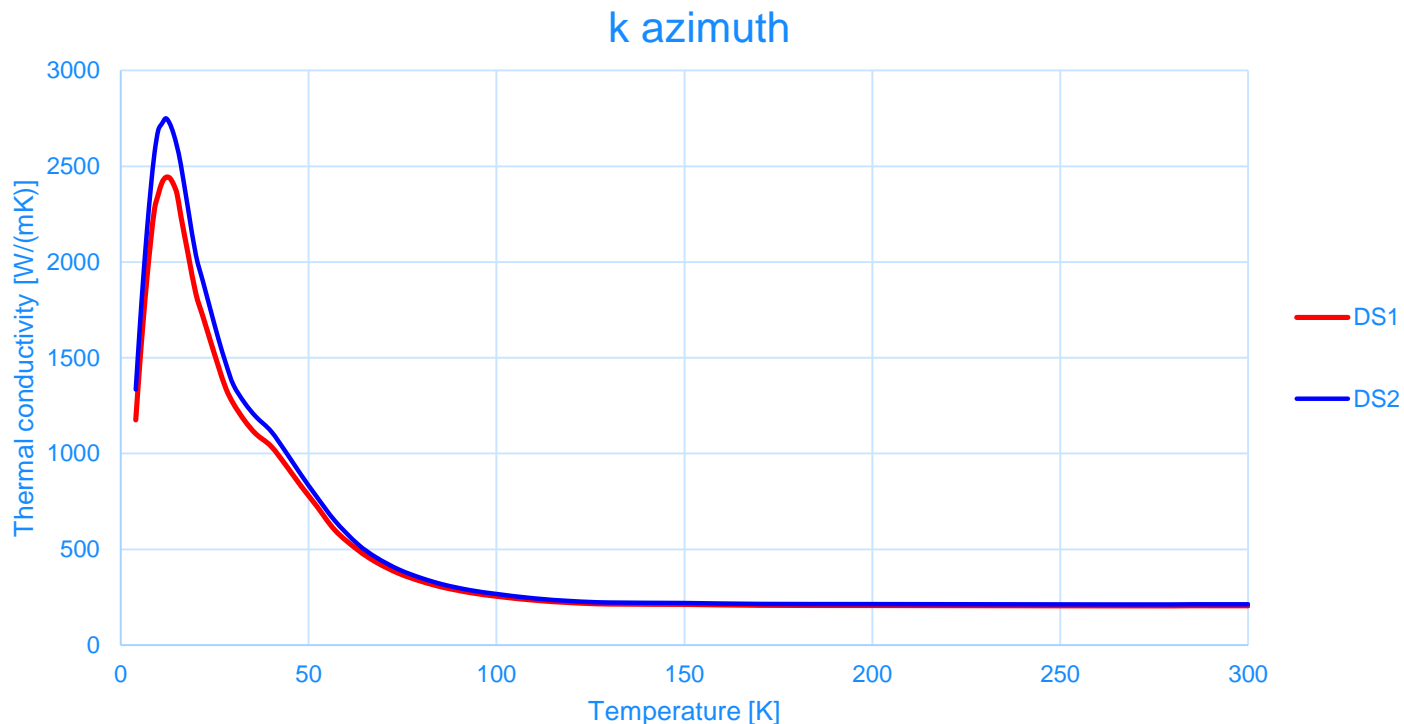
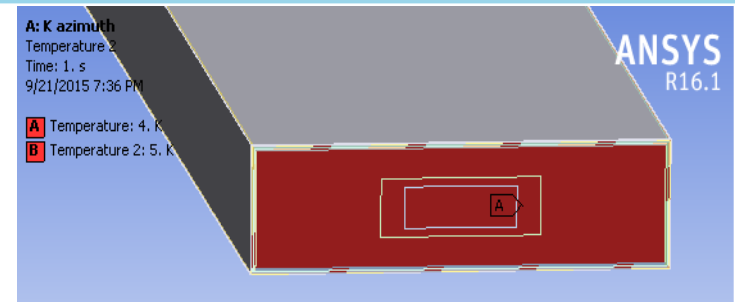


# Material Properties Required for the DS Analysis

- Orthotropic **thermal conductivity**

- FEA on single conductor model
- Steady-state thermal analysis

- Use of Fourier's law of conduction:  $\dot{Q} = kA \frac{dT}{dx}$

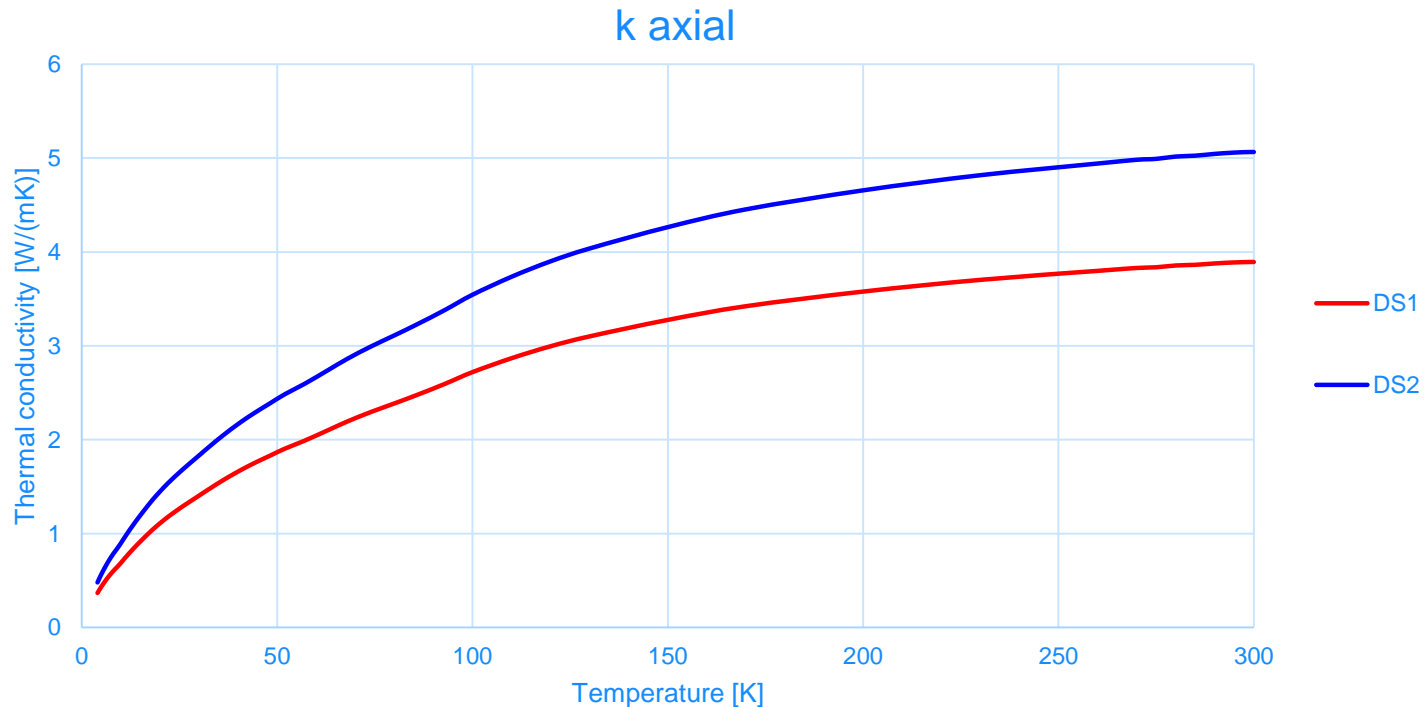
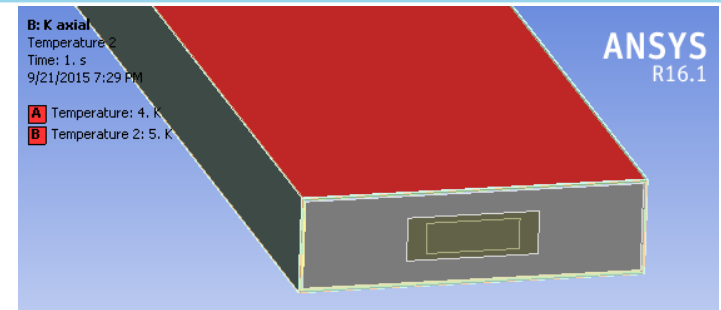


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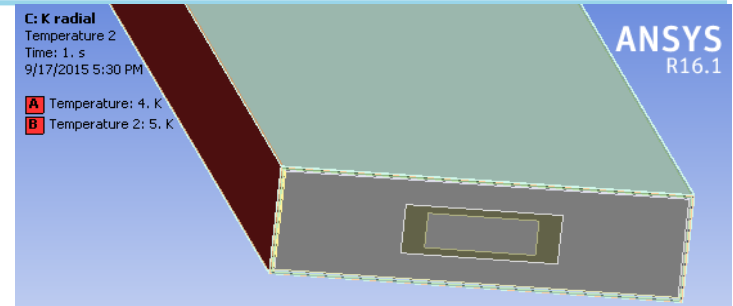


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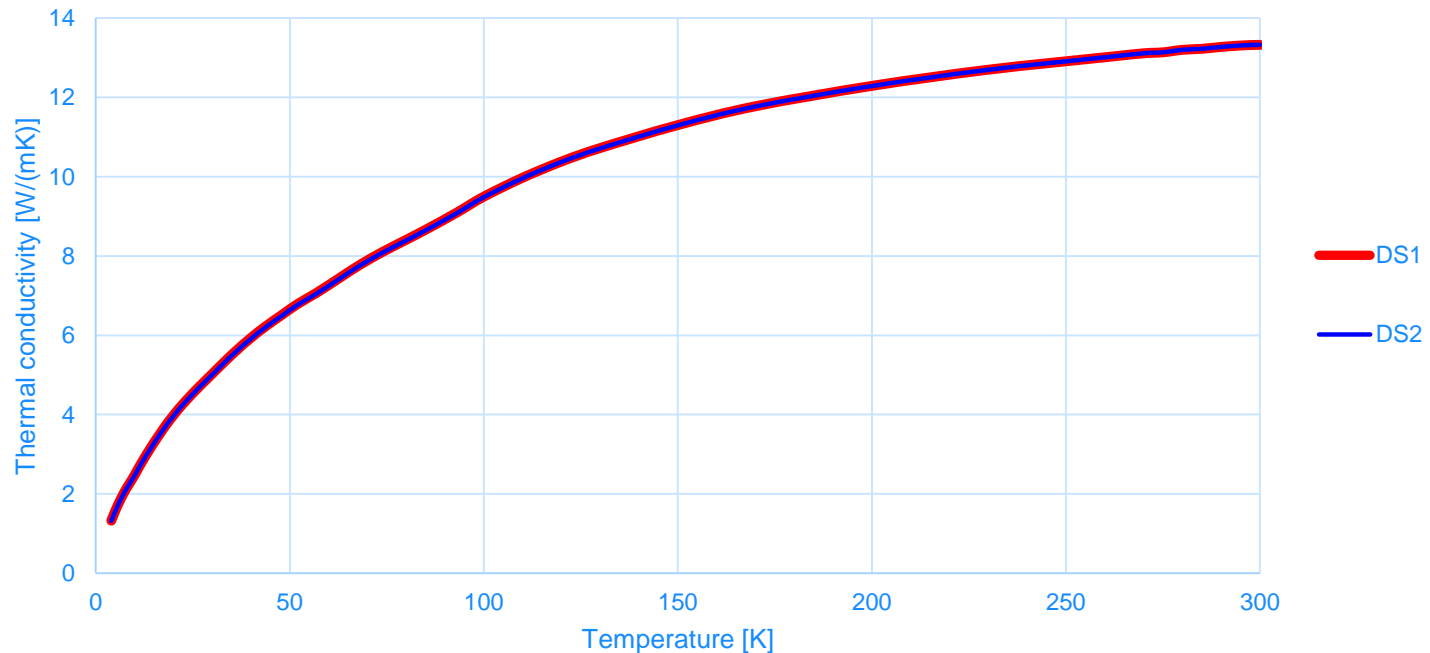
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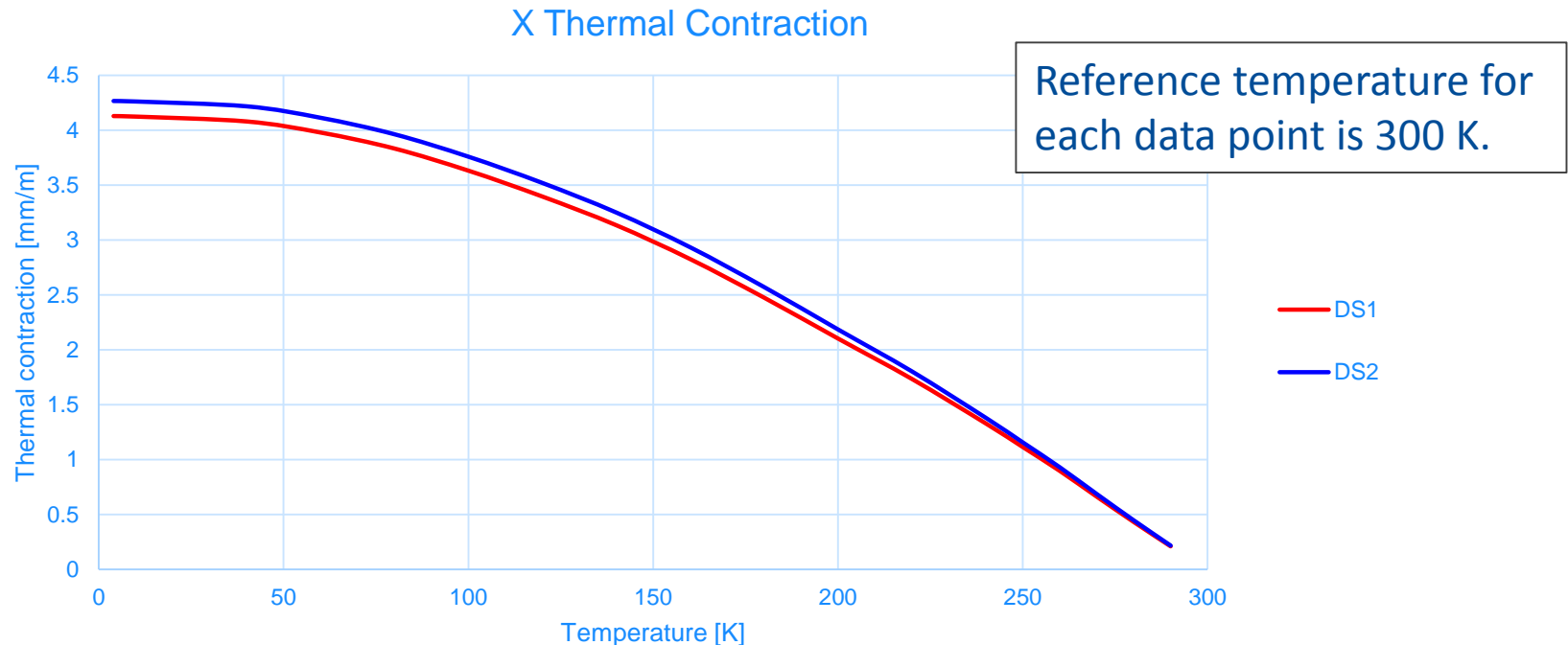
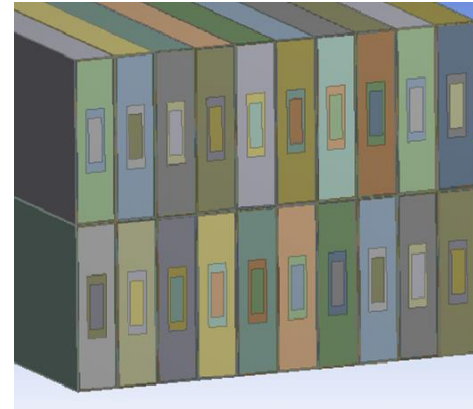


k radial



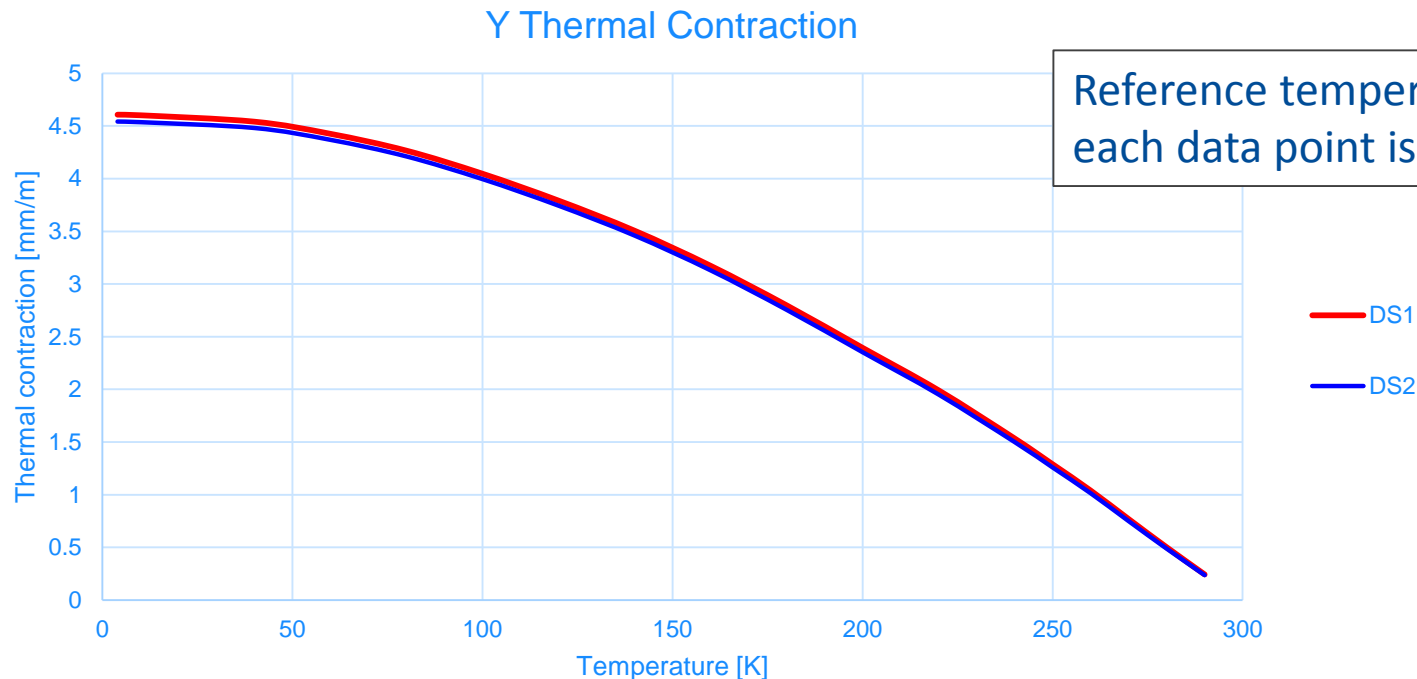
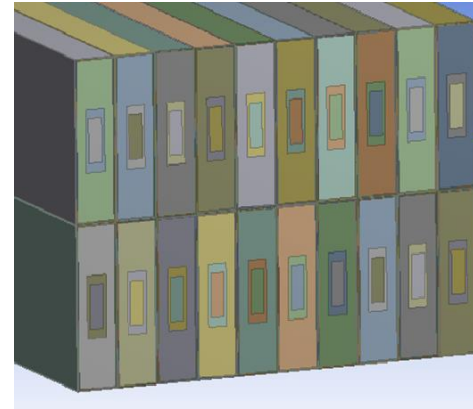
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  - FEA on stack model
  - Static structural analysis with thermal condition
  - Use of law of thermal expansion:  $\Delta L = \beta L \Delta T$



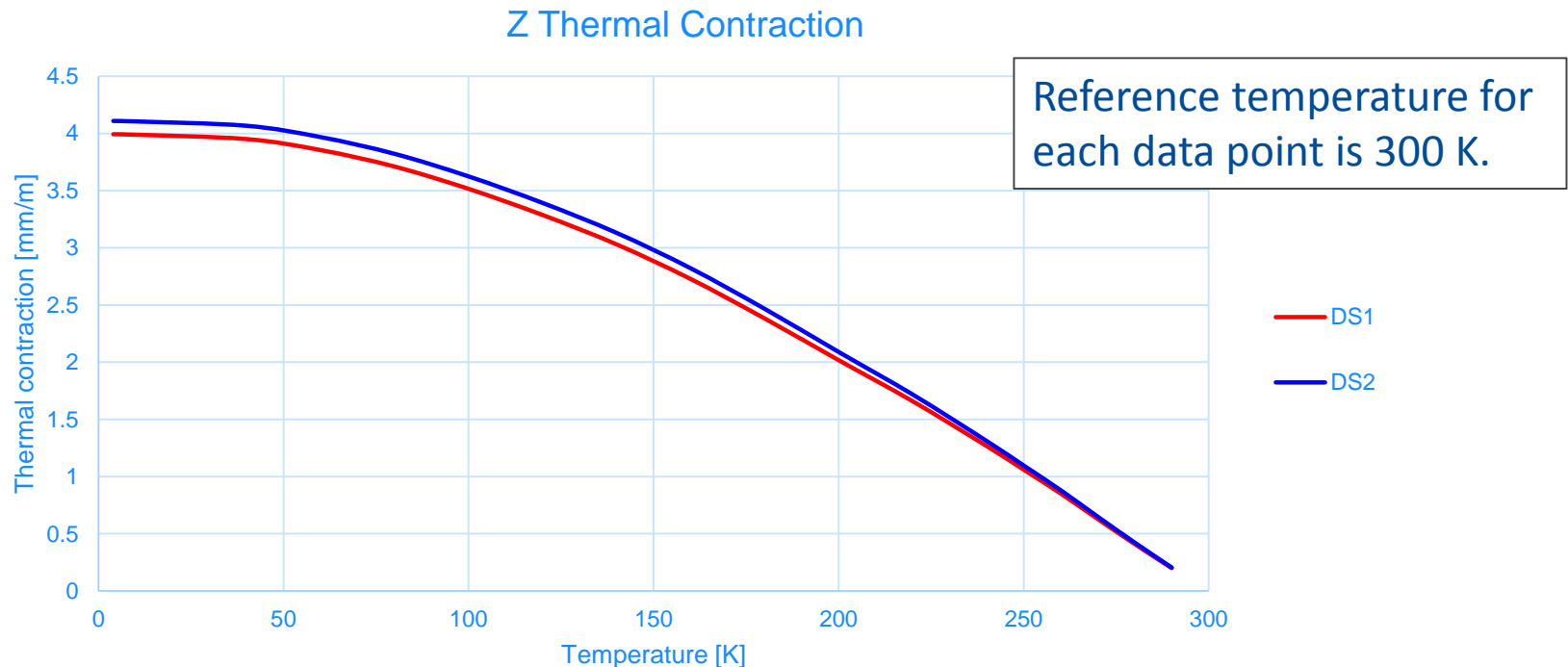
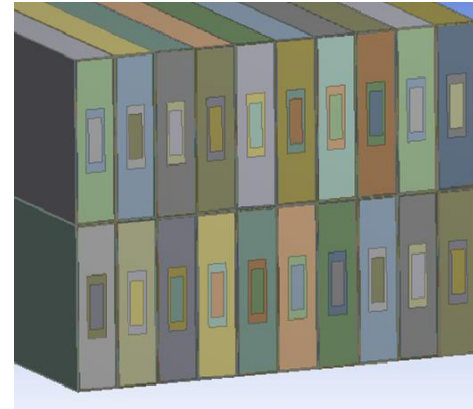
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- **Density**

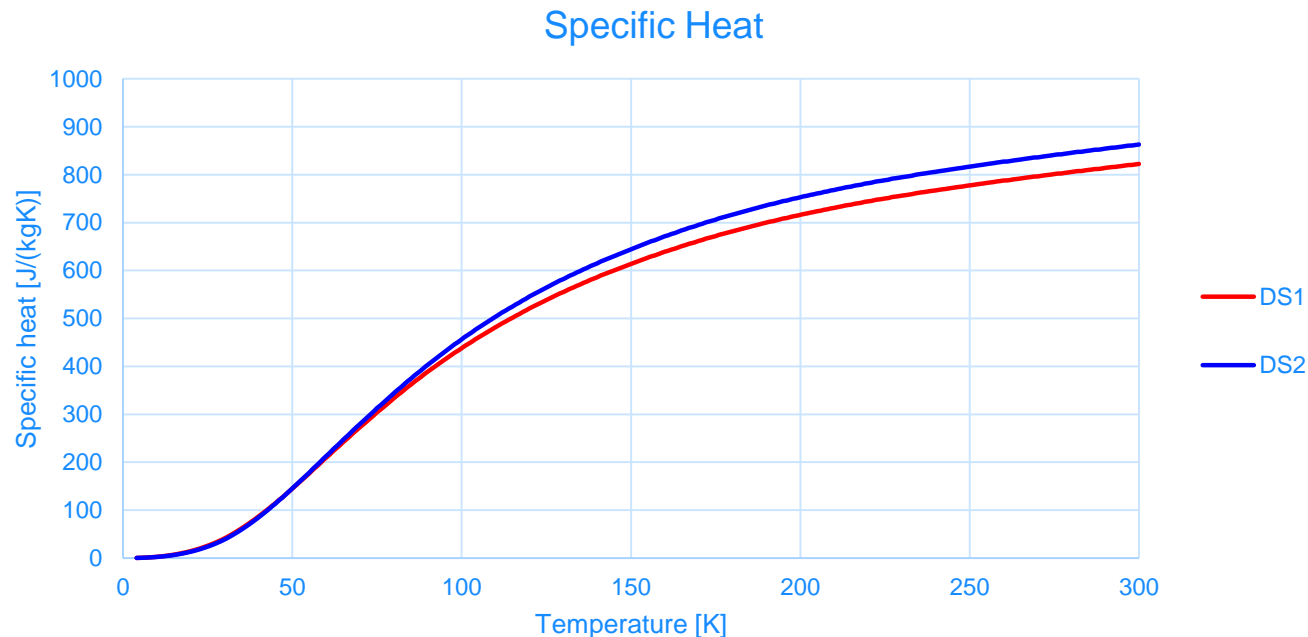
- Weighted average method:  $\rho = \sum_i \rho_i f_i$  where  $f_i$  is the volume fraction of each material.

DS1:  $3454 \text{ kg/m}^3$

DS2:  $3050 \text{ kg/m}^3$

- **Specific heat**

- $c = \sum_i c_i f_i$



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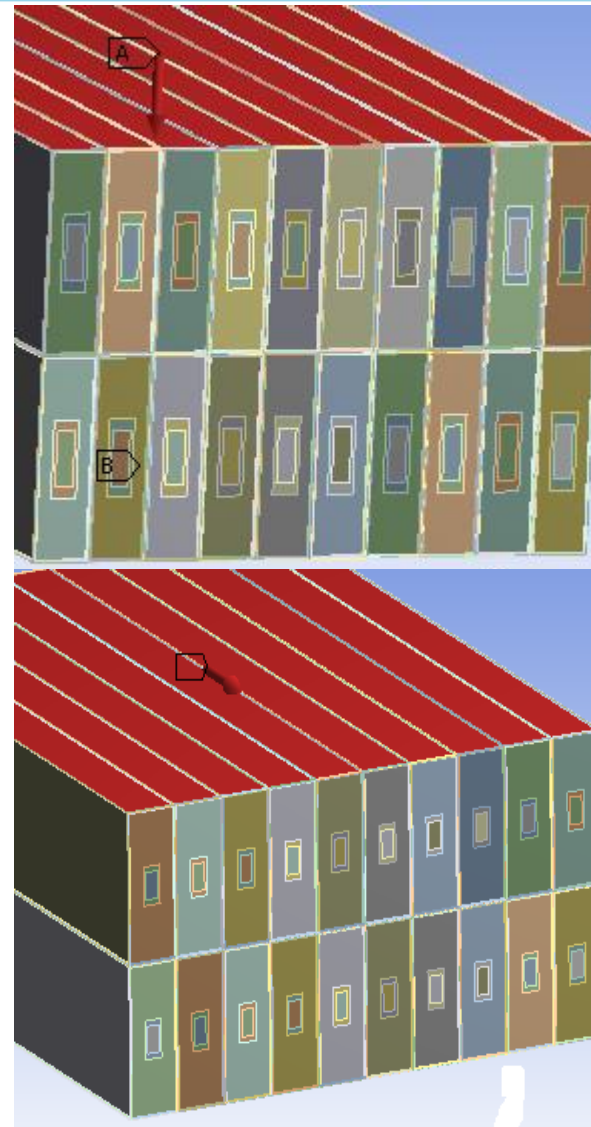
- Orthotropic **elasticity**

Young's modulus:  $E_{ii} = \frac{\sigma_{ii}}{\varepsilon_i}$

Poisson's ratio:  $\nu_{ij} = -\frac{\varepsilon_j}{\varepsilon_i}$

Shear modulus:  $G_{ij} = \frac{\tau_{ij}}{\Delta x_i / L}$

- FEA on stack model
- Static structural analysis with known force on known area





# Material Properties Required for the DS Analysis

- Orthotropic **elasticity**: results for **DS1**

## Young's modulus

- $E_x = 43.890 \text{ GPa}$
- $E_y = 31.762 \text{ GPa}$
- $E_z = 57.571 \text{ GPa}$

## Poisson's ratio

- $\nu_{xy} = 0.284$
- $\nu_{yz} = 0.308$
- $\nu_{zx} = 0.376$

## Shear modulus

- $G_{xy} = 2.590 \text{ GPa}$
- $G_{yz} = 2.906 \text{ GPa}$
- $G_{zx} = 11.93 \text{ GPa}$

# Material Properties Required for the DS Analysis

- Orthotropic **elasticity**: results for **DS2**

## Young's modulus

- $E_x = 43.737 \text{ GPa}$
- $E_y = 36.046 \text{ GPa}$
- $E_z = 57.237 \text{ GPa}$

## Poisson's ratio

- $\nu_{xy} = 0.316$
- $\nu_{yz} = 0.305$
- $\nu_{zx} = 0.412$

## Shear modulus

- $G_{xy} = 2.071 \text{ GPa}$
- $G_{yz} = 4.239 \text{ GPa}$
- $G_{zx} = 9.439 \text{ GPa}$

# Preparing the Final Simulation

- Results have been obtained for:

- ✓ Thermal conductivity
- ✓ Thermal contraction
- ✓ Density
- ✓ Specific heat
- ✓ Elasticity

Properties of Outline Row 5: DS1 Conductor

	A	B	C
1	Property	Value	Unit
2	Density	3454.3	kg m <sup>-3</sup>
3	Orthotropic Secant Coefficient of Thermal Expansion		
4	Coefficient of Thermal Expansion	Tabular	
11	Reference Temperature	300	K
12	Orthotropic Elasticity		
13	Young's Modulus X direction	4.389E+10	Pa
14	Young's Modulus Y direction	5.7571E+10	Pa
15	Young's Modulus Z direction	3.1762E+10	Pa
16	Poisson's Ratio XY	0.37639	
17	Poisson's Ratio YZ	0.30796	
18	Poisson's Ratio XZ	0.28446	
19	Shear Modulus XY	1.193E+10	Pa
20	Shear Modulus YZ	2.9059E+09	Pa
21	Shear Modulus XZ	2.5895E+09	Pa
22	Field Variables		
26	Orthotropic Thermal Conductivity	Tabular	
33	Specific Heat	Tabular	

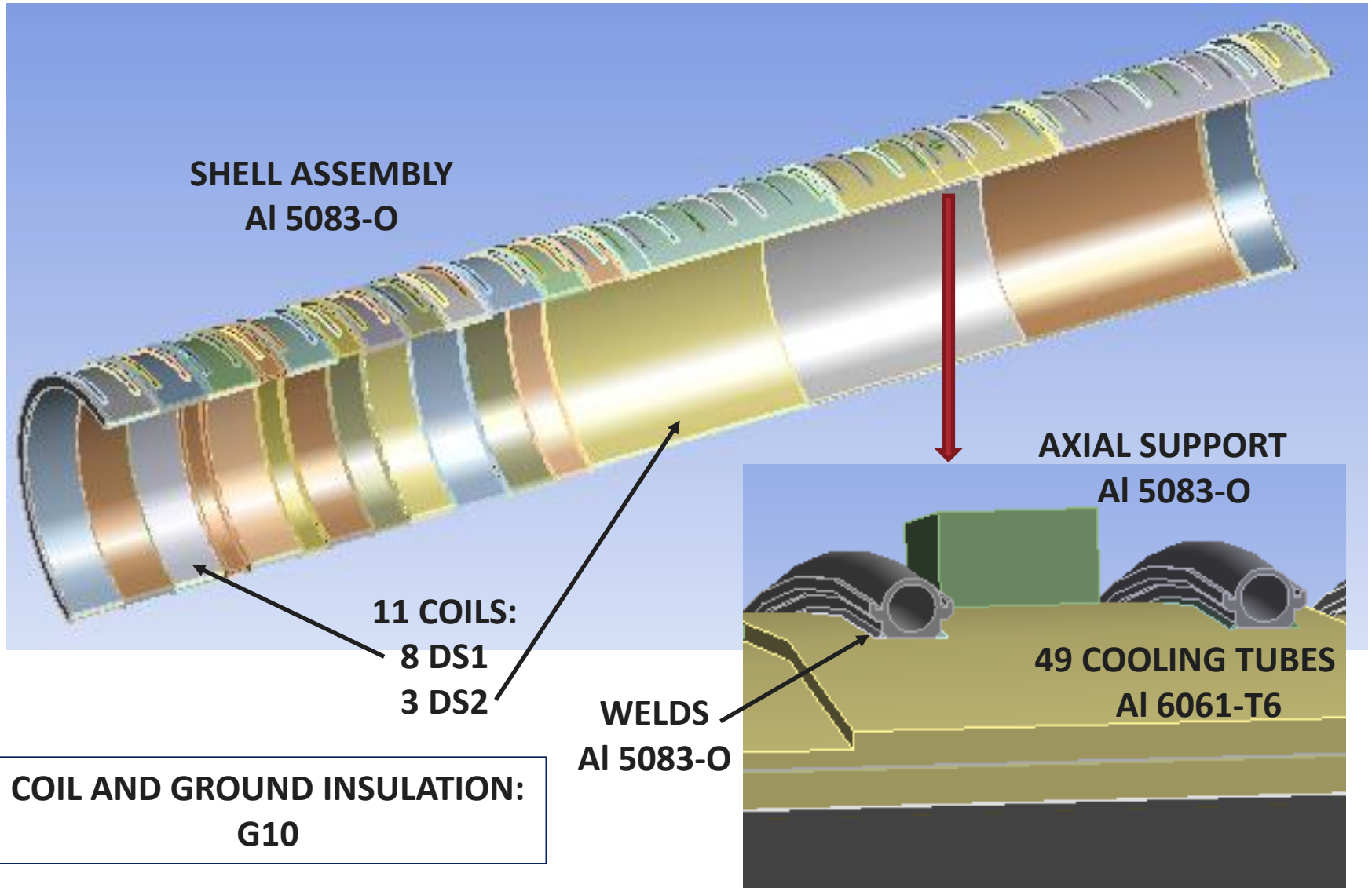
- Results can be considered reasonable:

- DS1 and DS2 are similar,
- in DS2 aluminum properties are more relevant

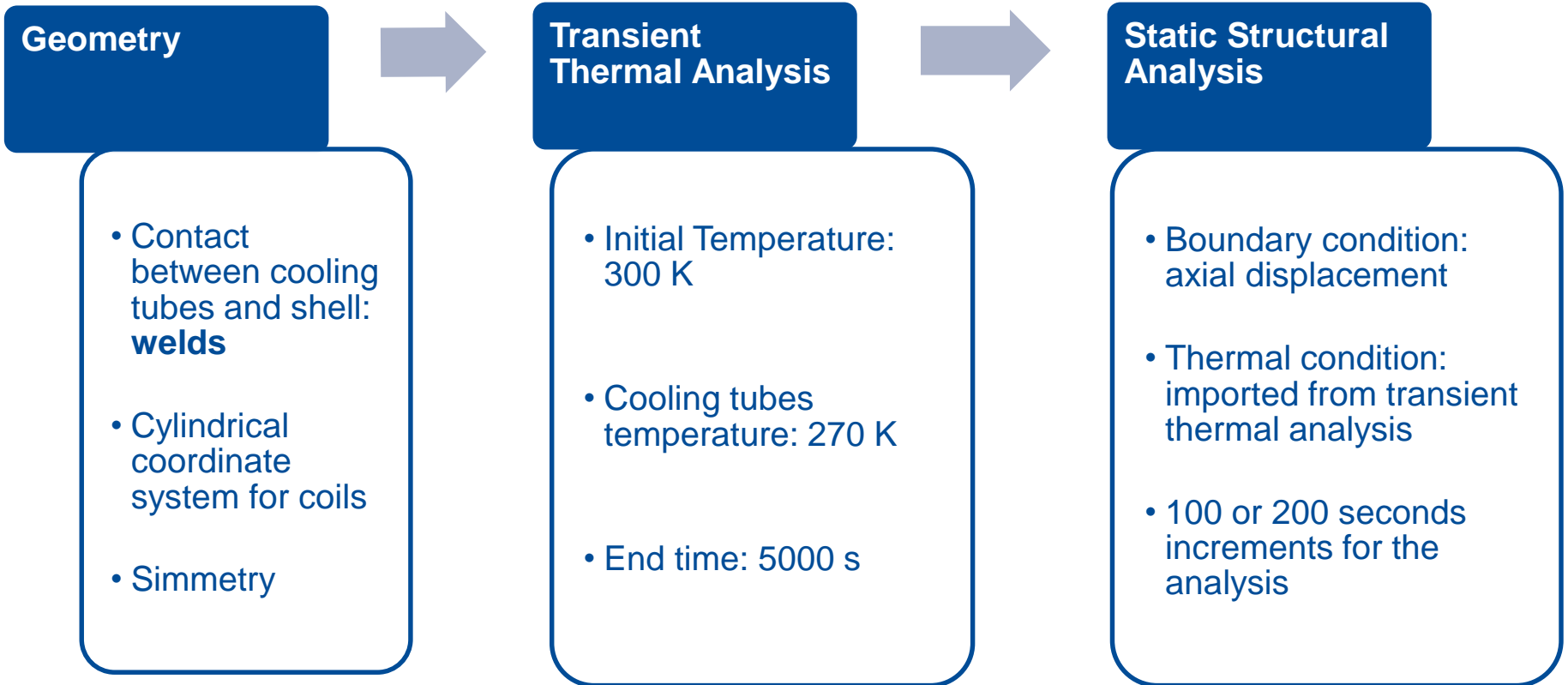
- Average properties are imported in Ansys Engineering Data. Computational time will be reduced.

1	Contents of Engineering Data
2	Material
3	Al5083-O
4	Al6061-T6
5	DS1 Conductor
6	DS2 Conductor
7	G10-CR_parallel_to_coil
8	G10 -CR_perpendicular_to_coil

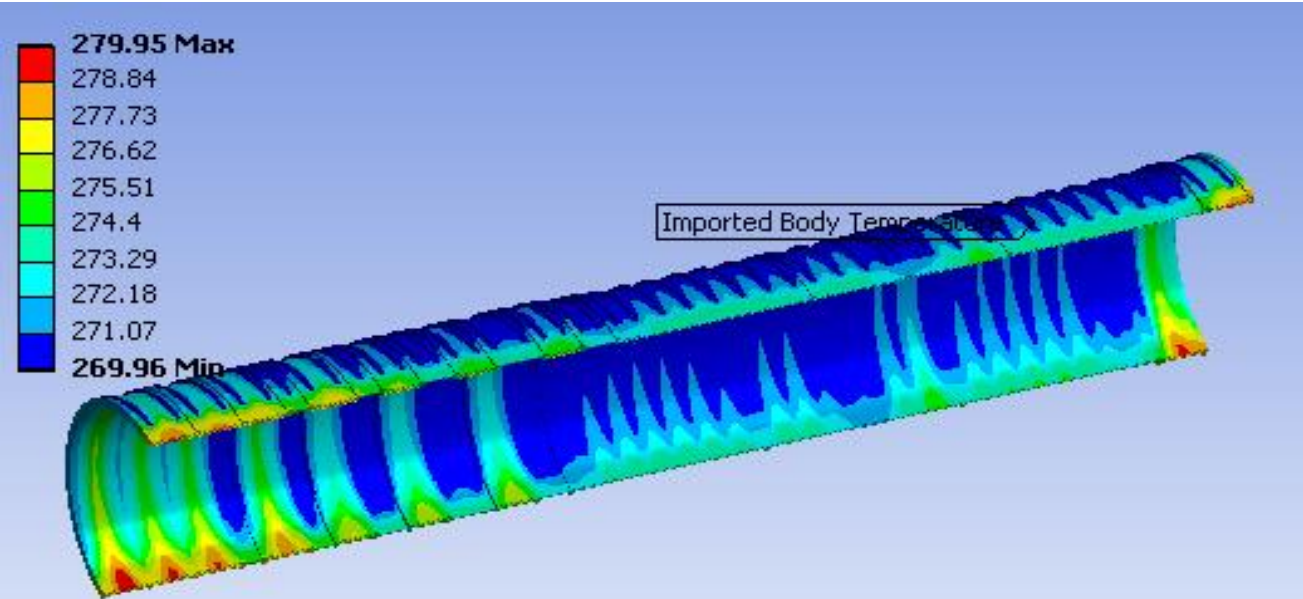
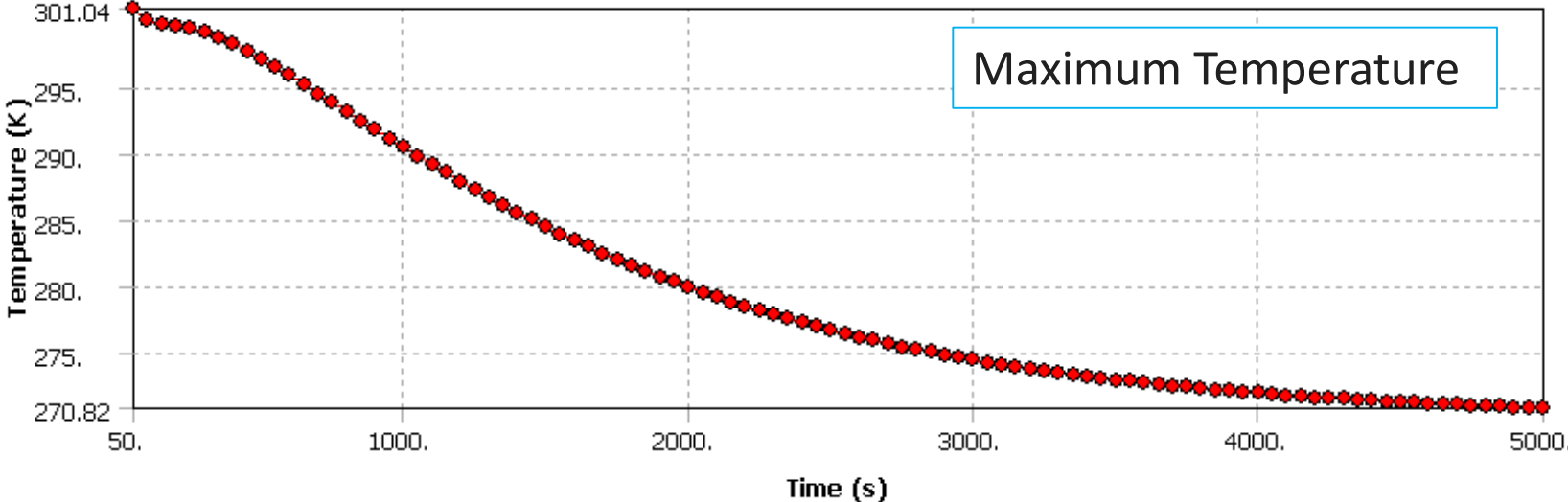
# Detector Solenoid 3D Model



# DS Transient Thermal-Stress Analysis

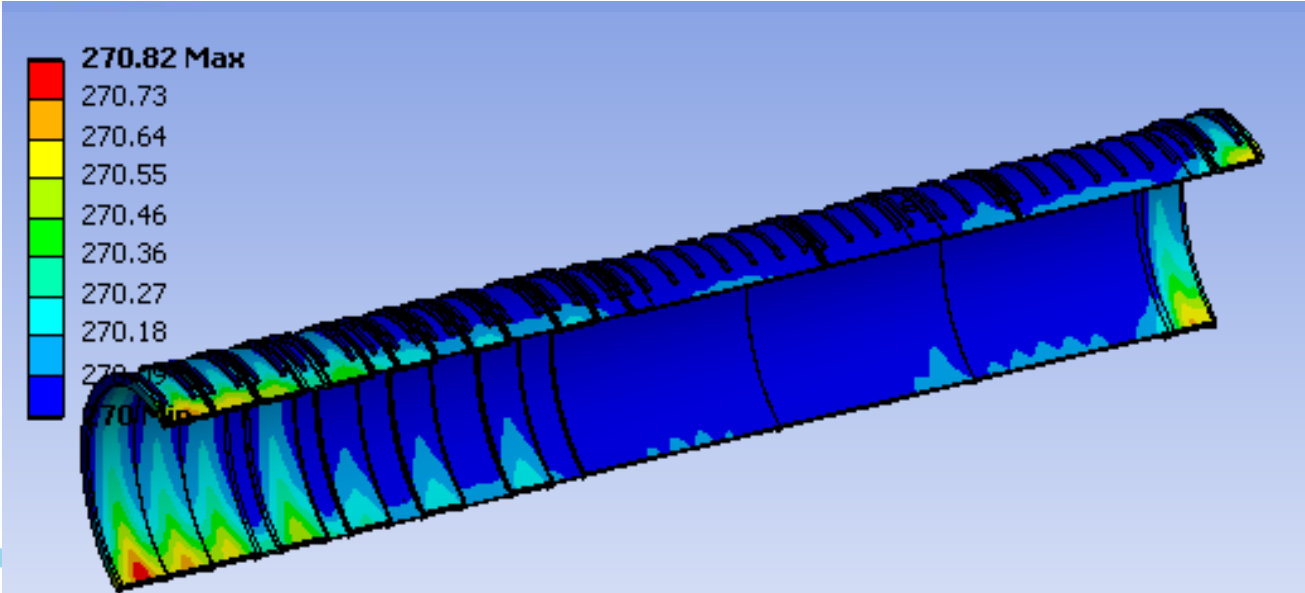
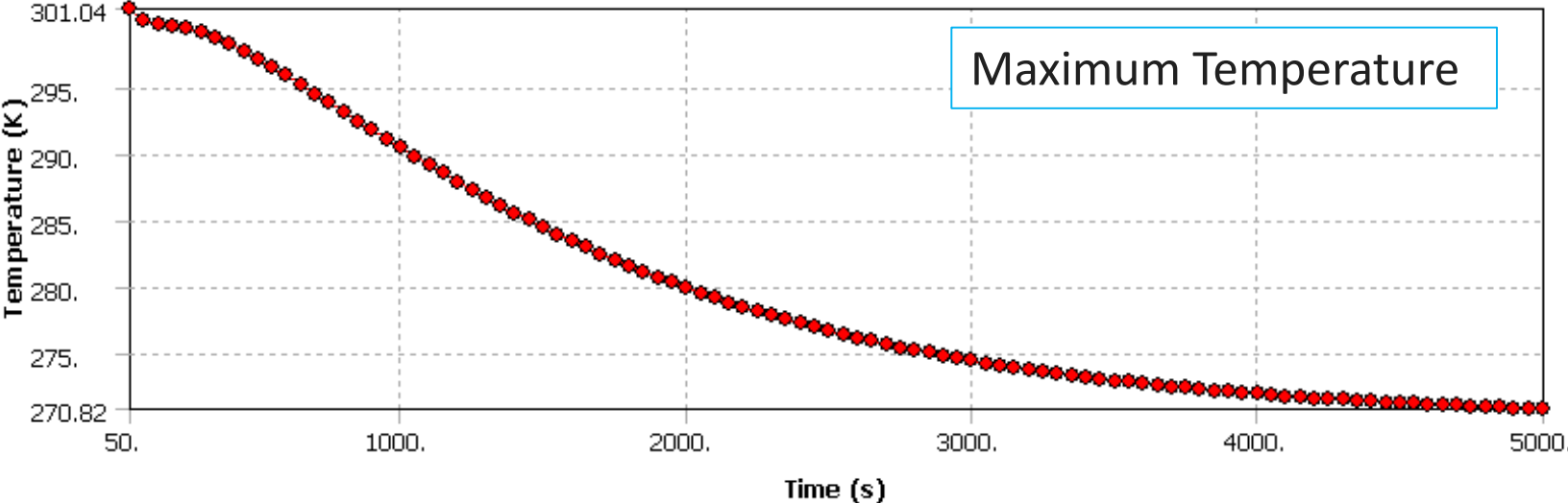


# Transient Thermal Results



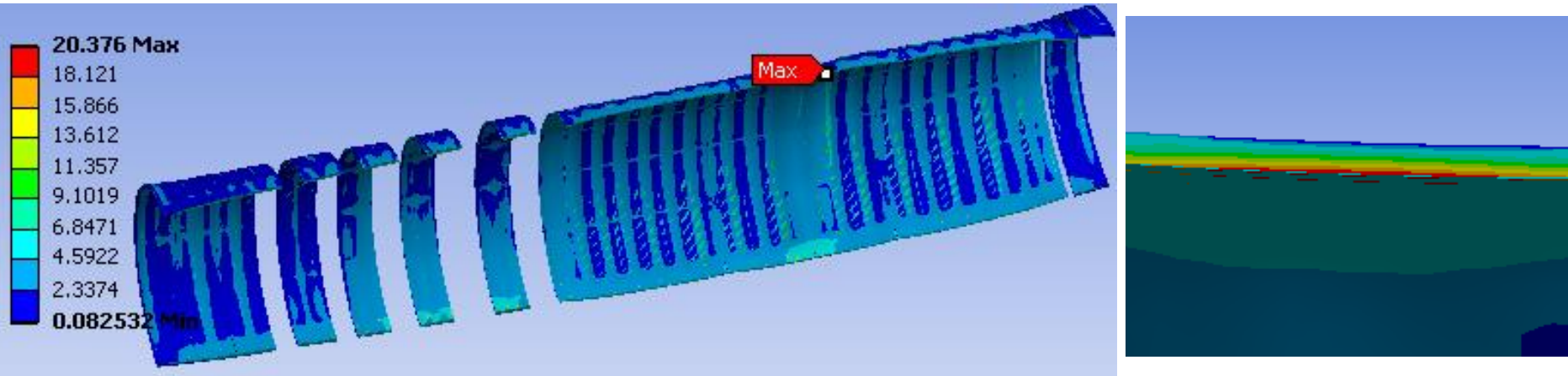
Temperature at 2000 s: maximum stress should occur here

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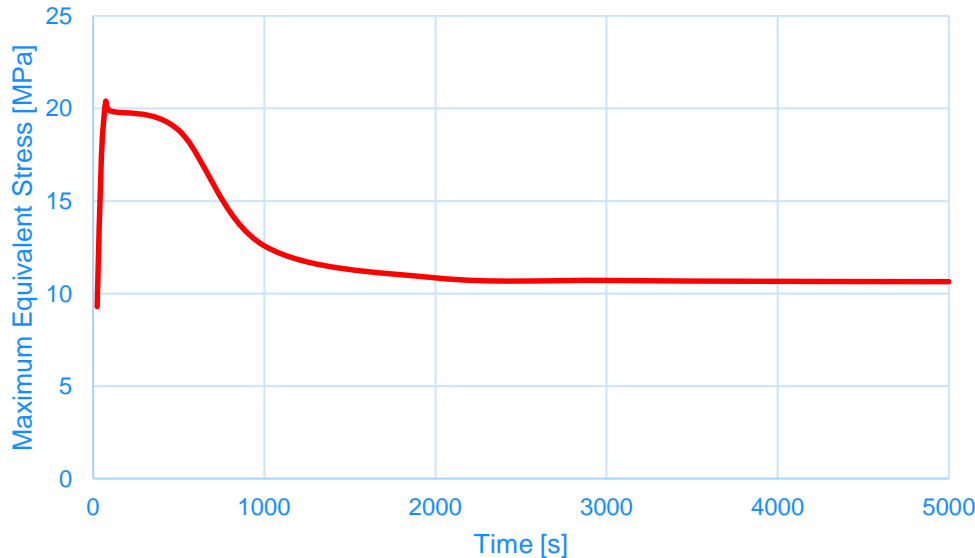


Temperature at **5000 s**: the Detector Solenoid cools down completely

# Stress Results: coils



Maximum Stress in the Coils

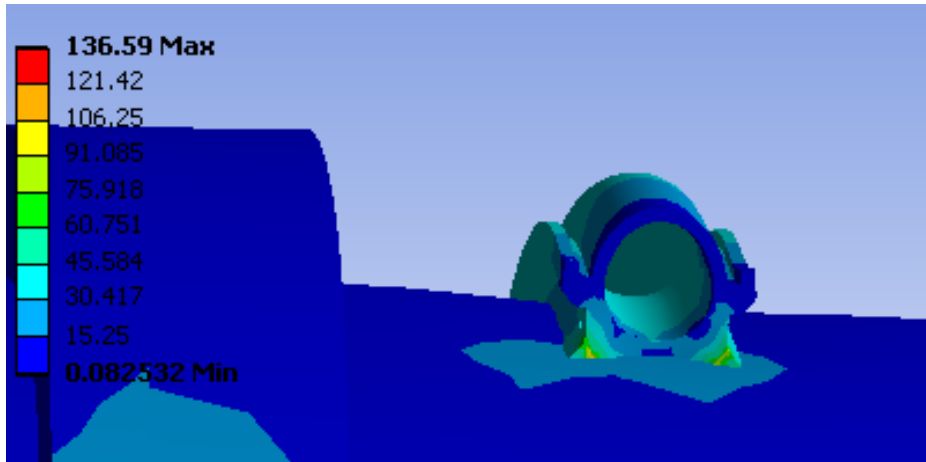
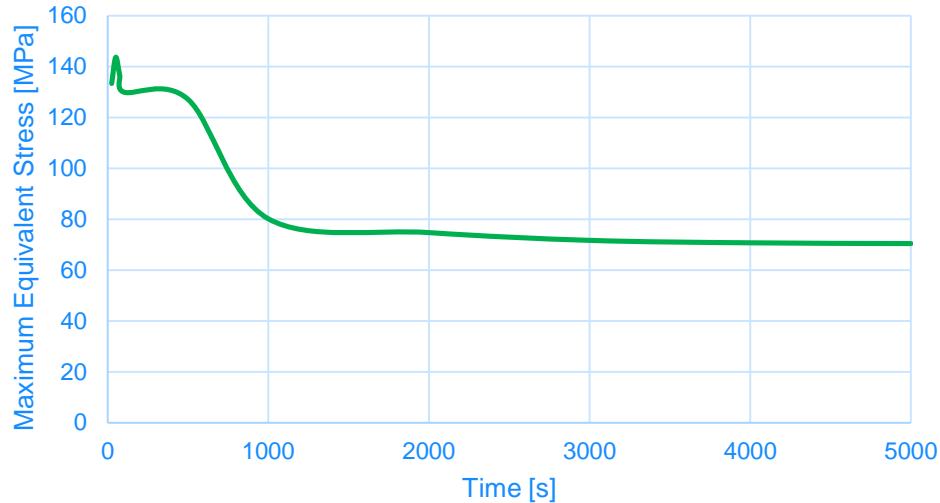


- Maximum stress in the coils occurs at 75 s and is 20.34 MPa (2950 psi)
- Allowable stress for Al-stabilizer is 30 MPa (4351 psi).
- Temperature difference is **SAFE!**

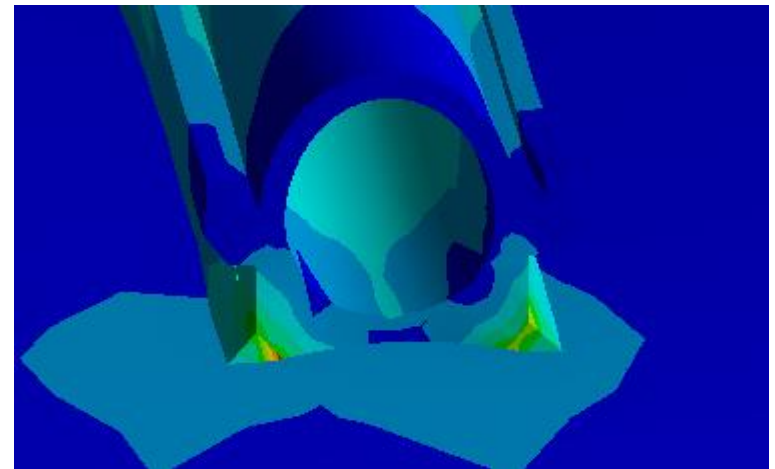


# Stress Results: welds

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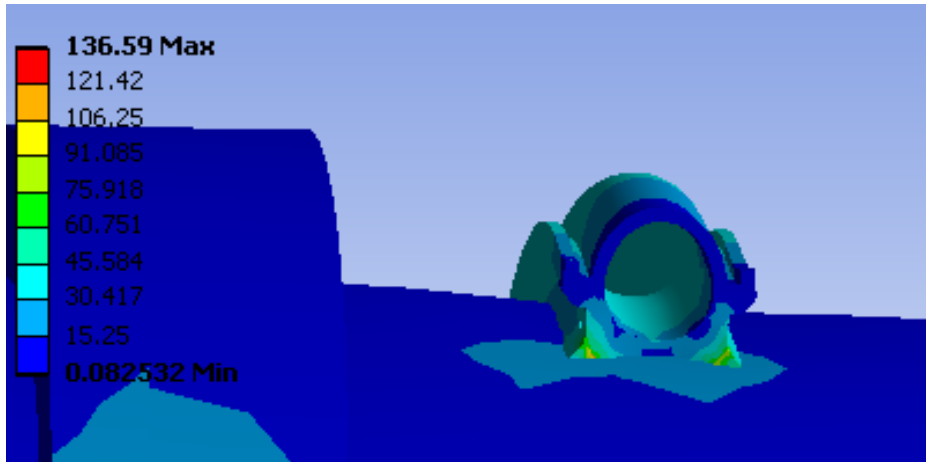
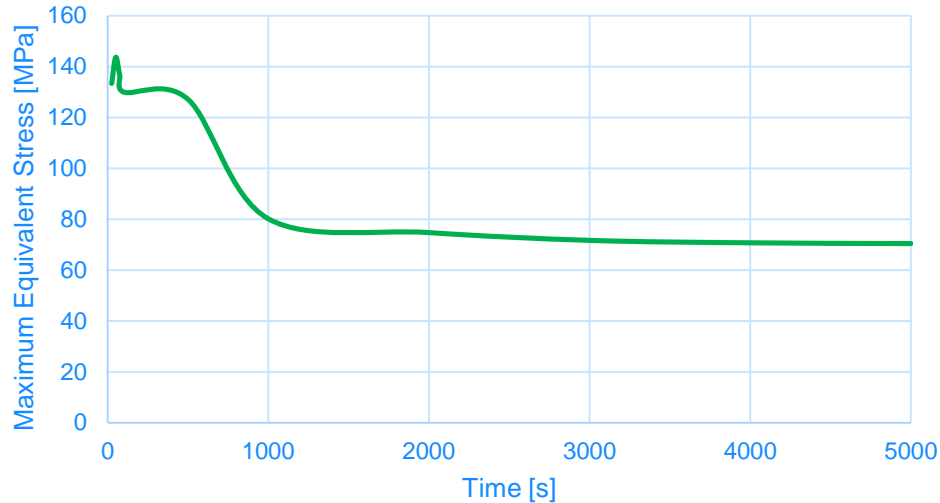


- Maximum stress in the welds is 136.6 MPa (19800 psi).
- According to *Aluminum Association Specifications*, allowable stress for aluminum welds is 75 MPa (10900 psi).

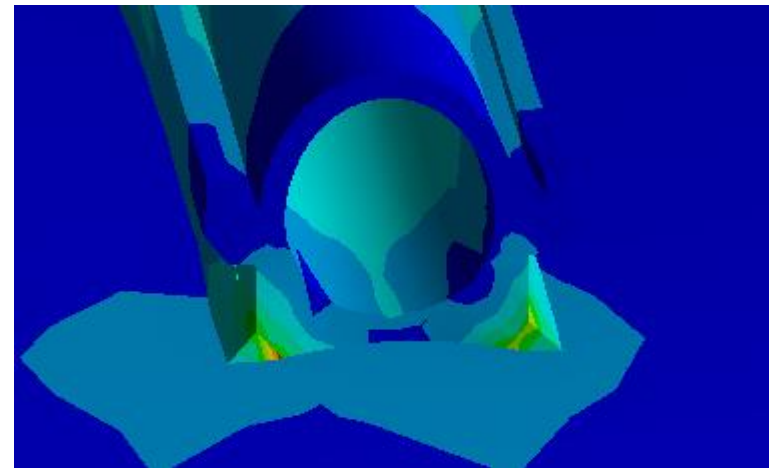


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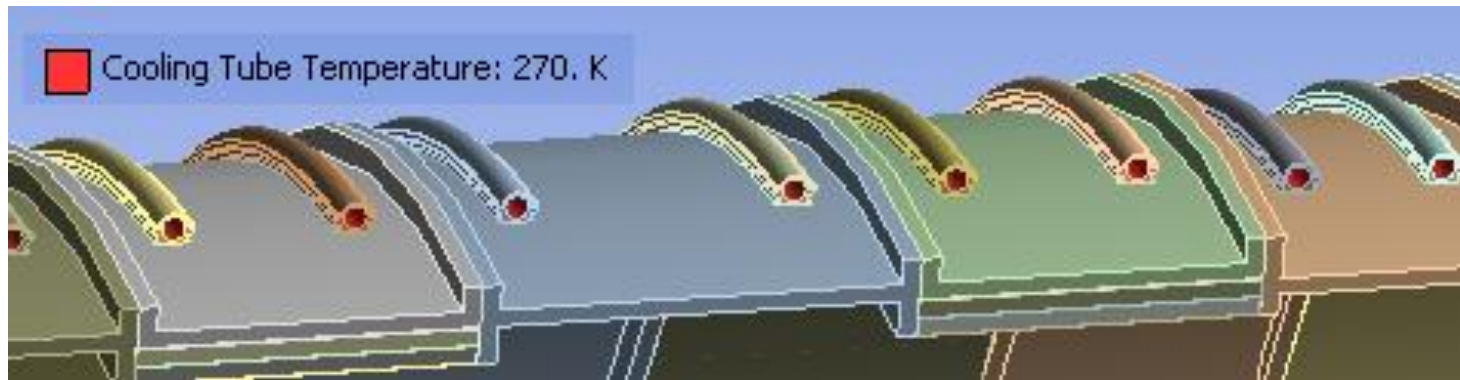


- Reason for high stress is because conservative analysis has been performed.
- Very little area is interested so this is not dangerous.



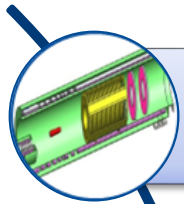
# Stress Result

- Analysis is conservative since a sudden shock of 270 K has been applied as boundary condition.

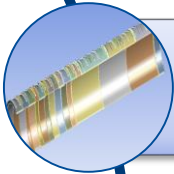


- To obtain a more realistic result, a convection coefficient should be applied in the cooling tubes.
- This would give a more realistic distribution reducing and pushing farther up in time high stresses.
- Anyway, 30 K  $\Delta T$  has been verified in the worst case.

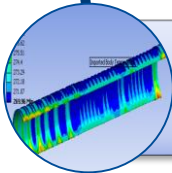
# Conclusions



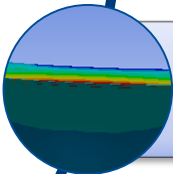
The analysis can be considered **successful**.



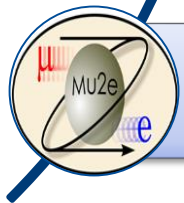
A **safe** difference of temperature of 30 K has been verified.



The Detector Solenoid completely cools down to 270 K in 5000 seconds. The cool down rate is  $21.6 \text{ K}/\text{hour}$



It is possible to simulate a more aggressive cool down rate (i.e.  $\Delta T = 40 \text{ K}$ ) and verify the stress.

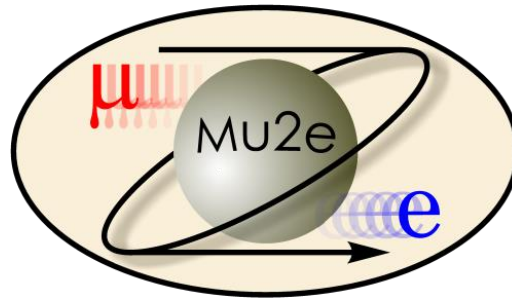


In any case, the experiment can start safely.

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