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Target Assembly Structural Analysis

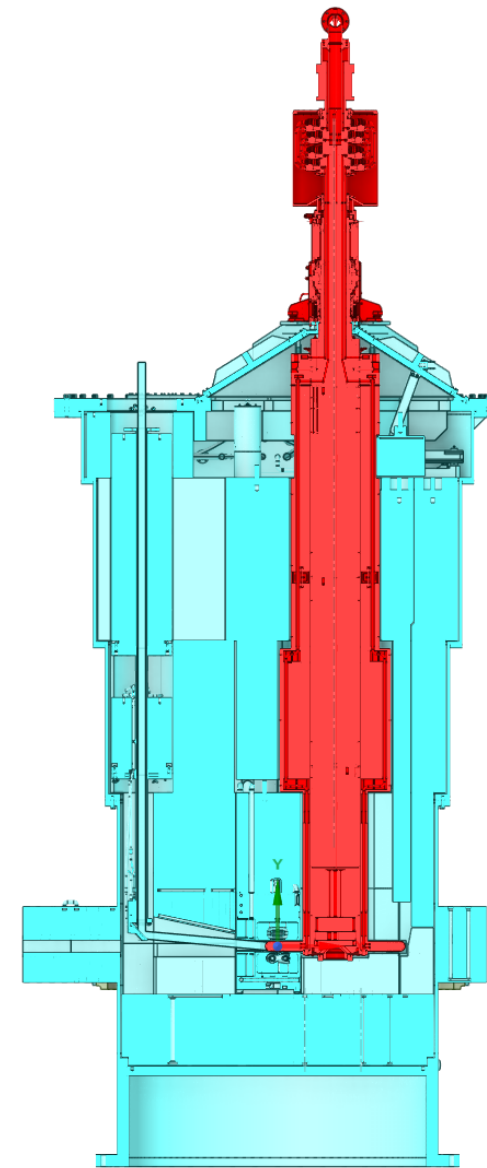
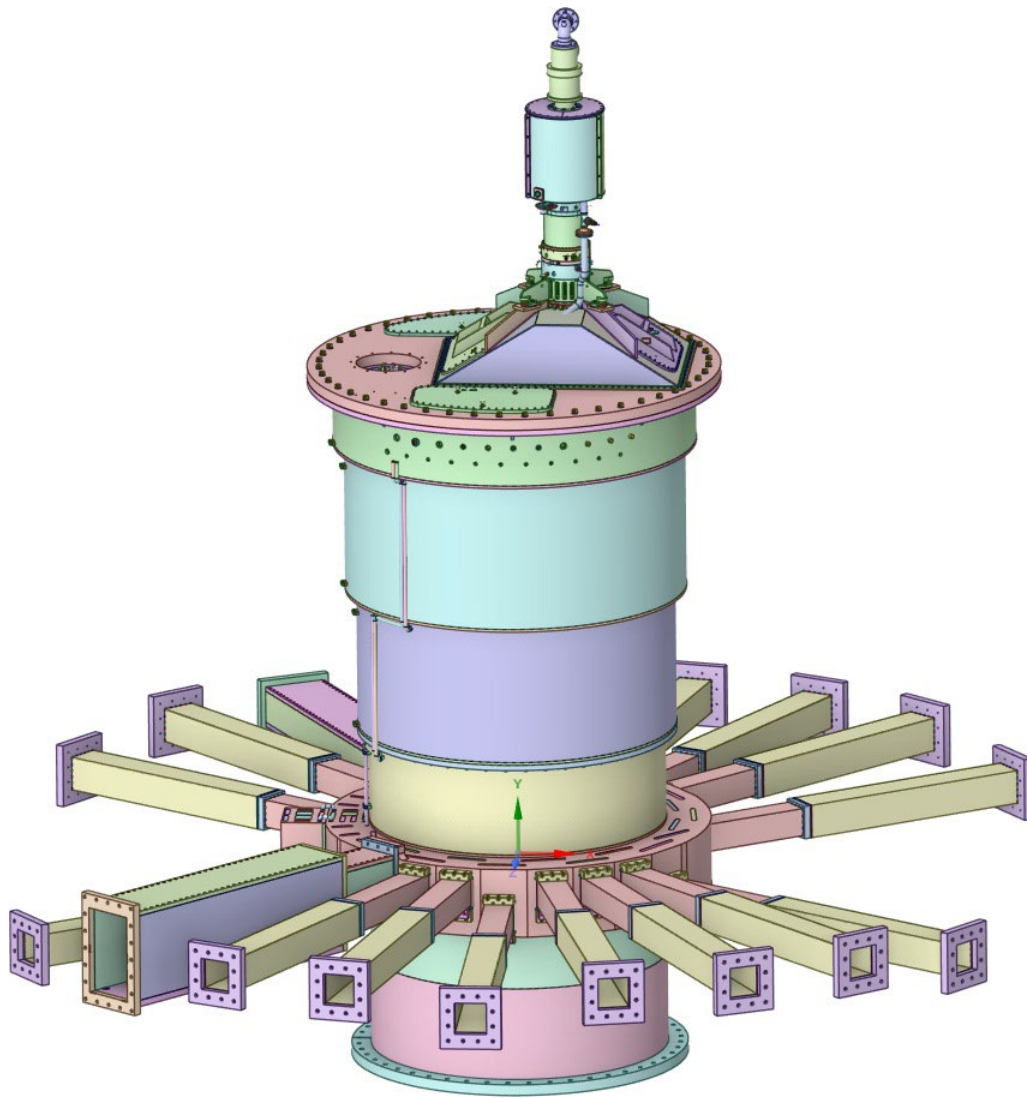
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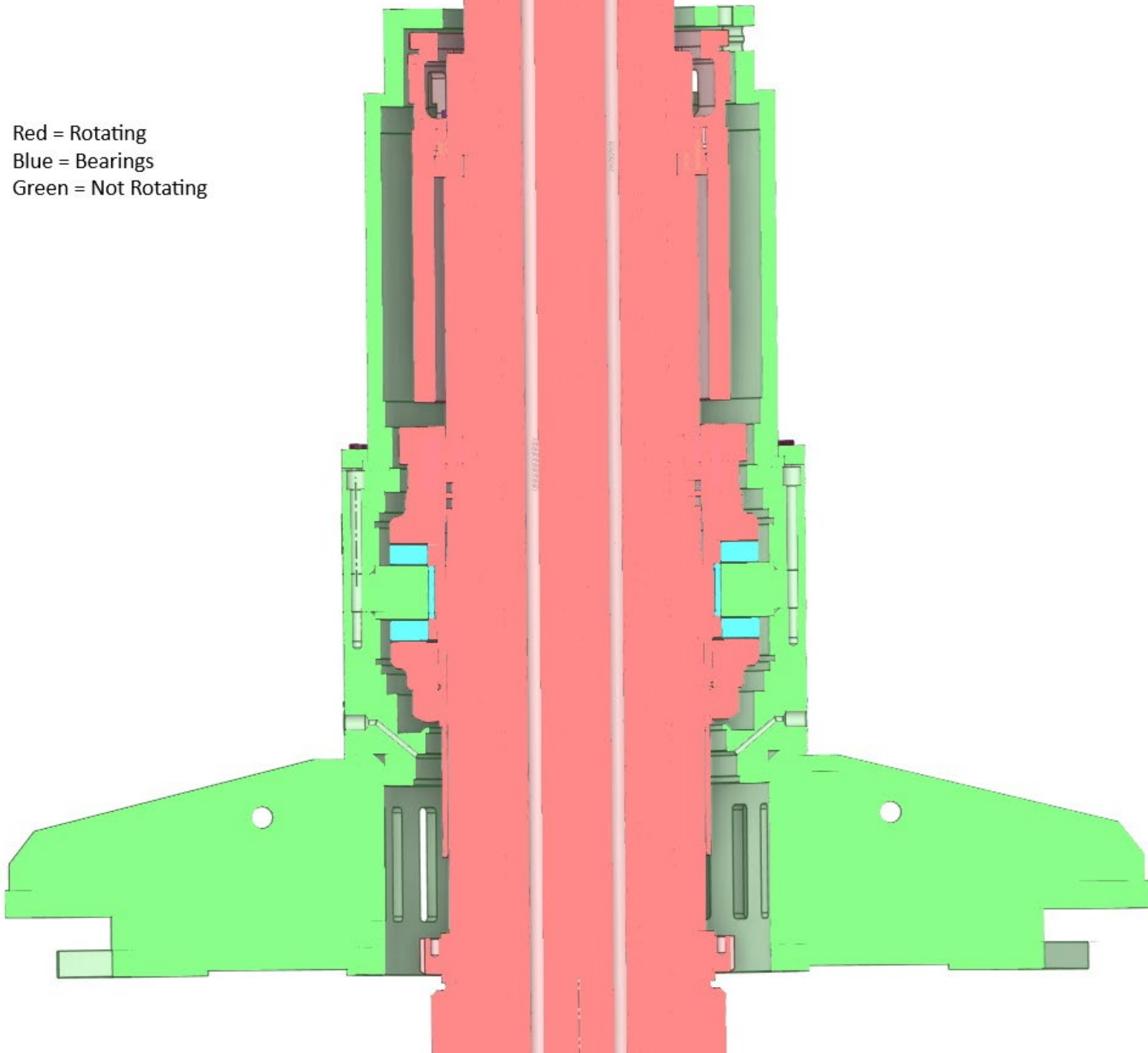
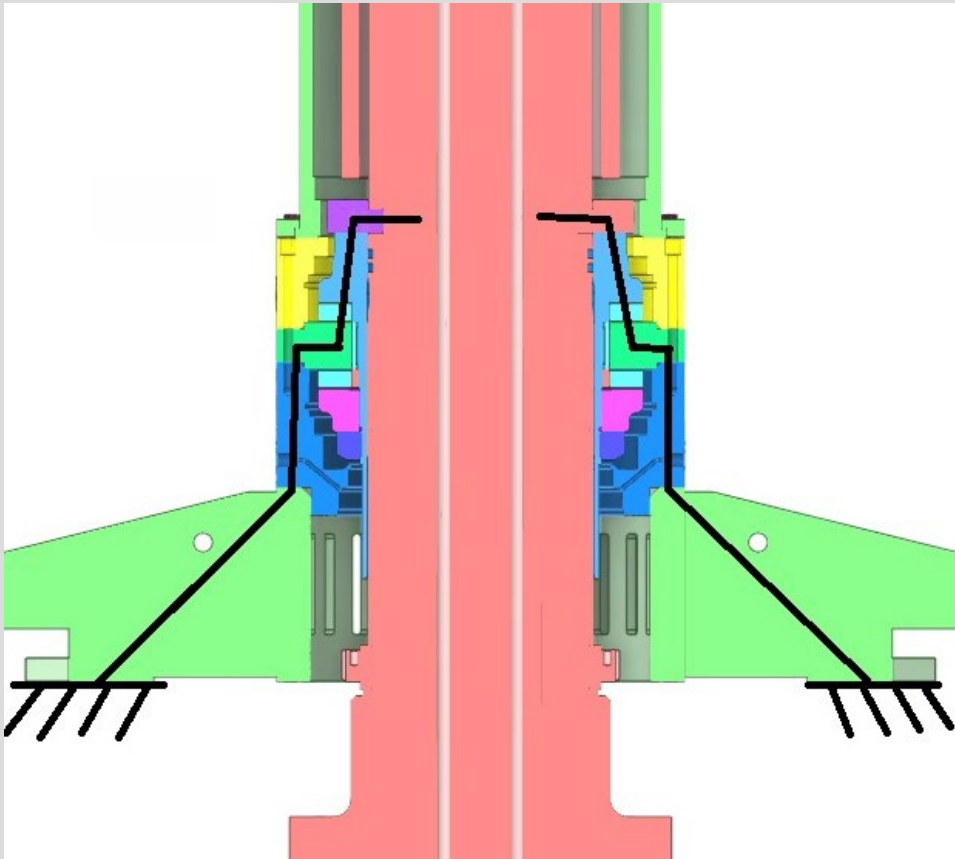
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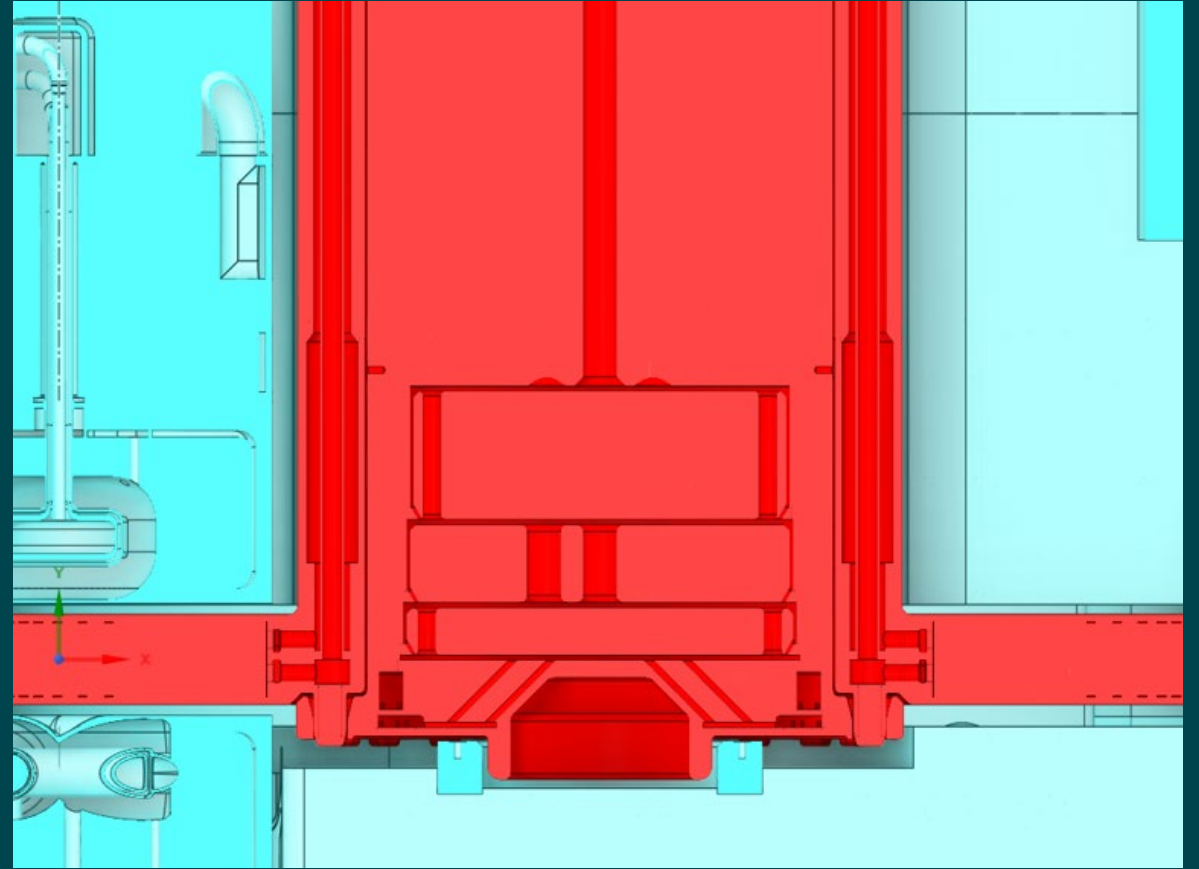
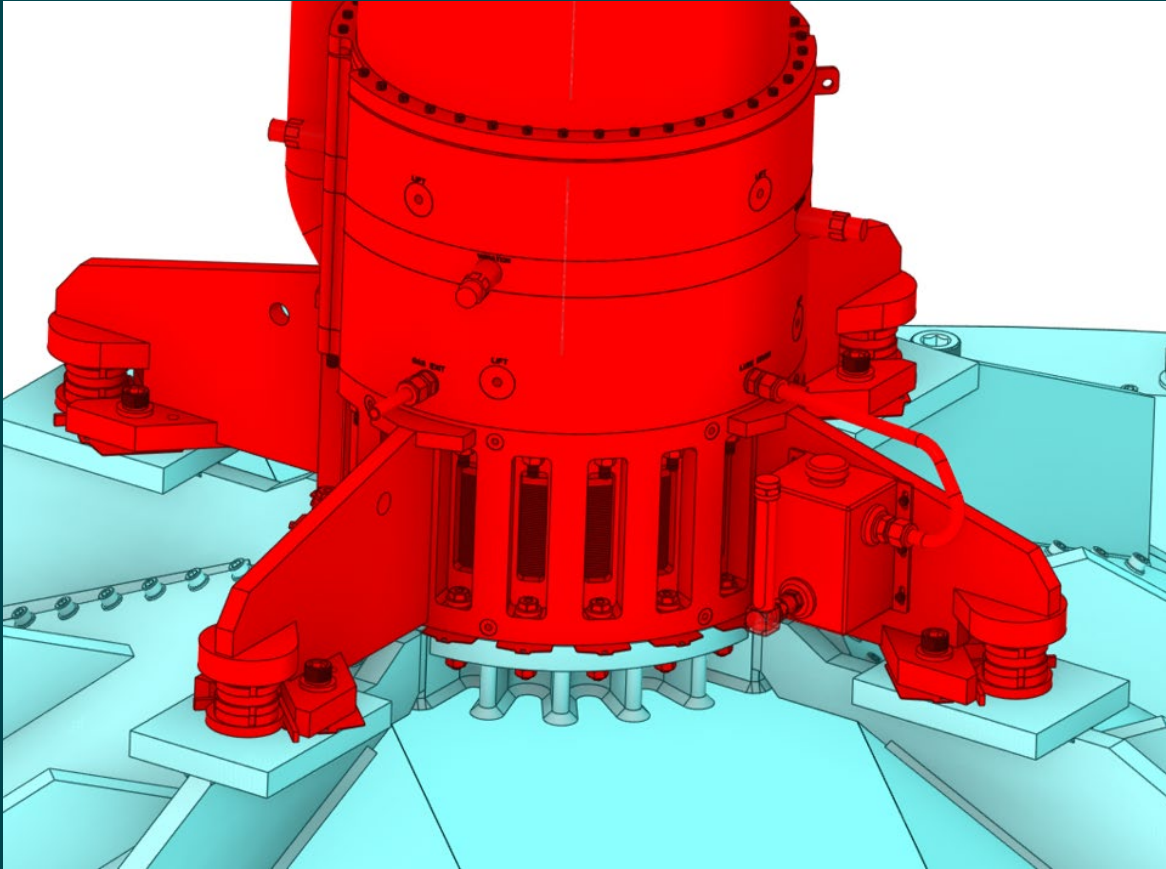


Rotating Components and Load Path

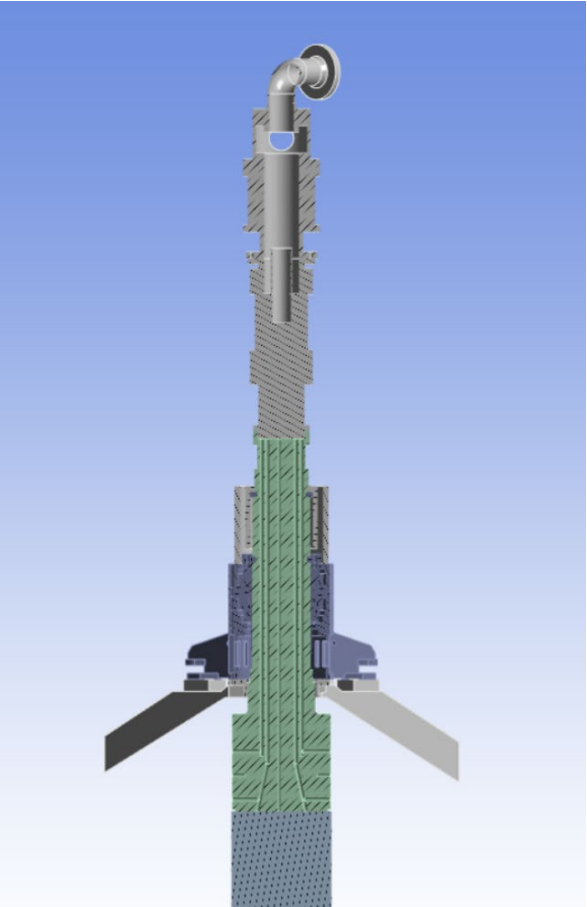
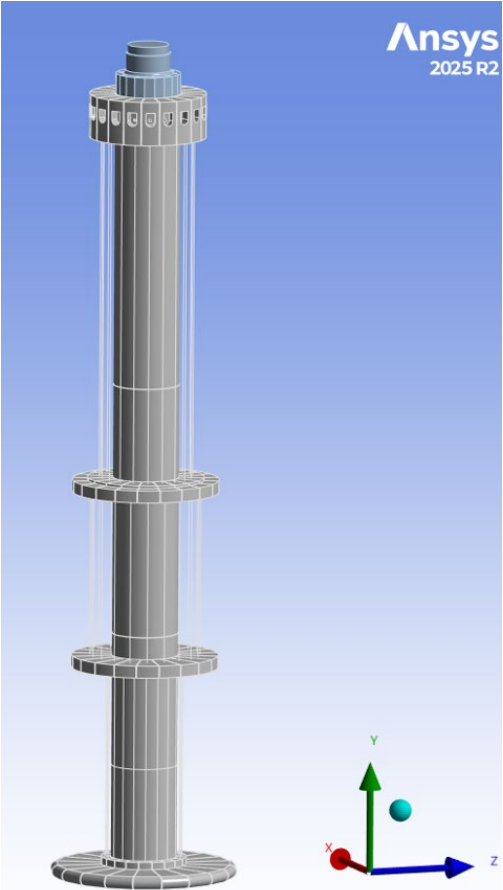
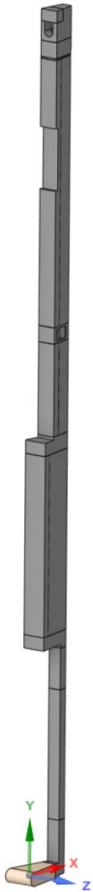
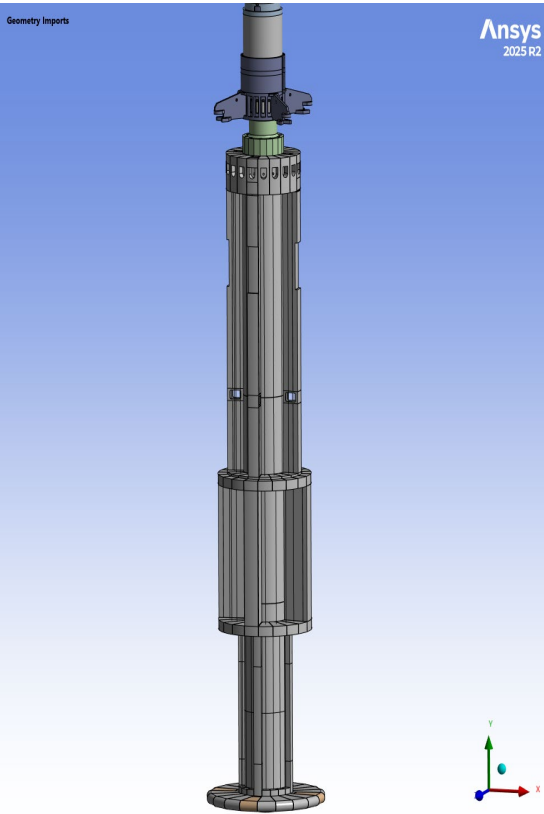
Red = Rotating
Blue = Bearings
Green = Not Rotating



Main Interface Points with Core Vessel and MRA



Target Analysis Models

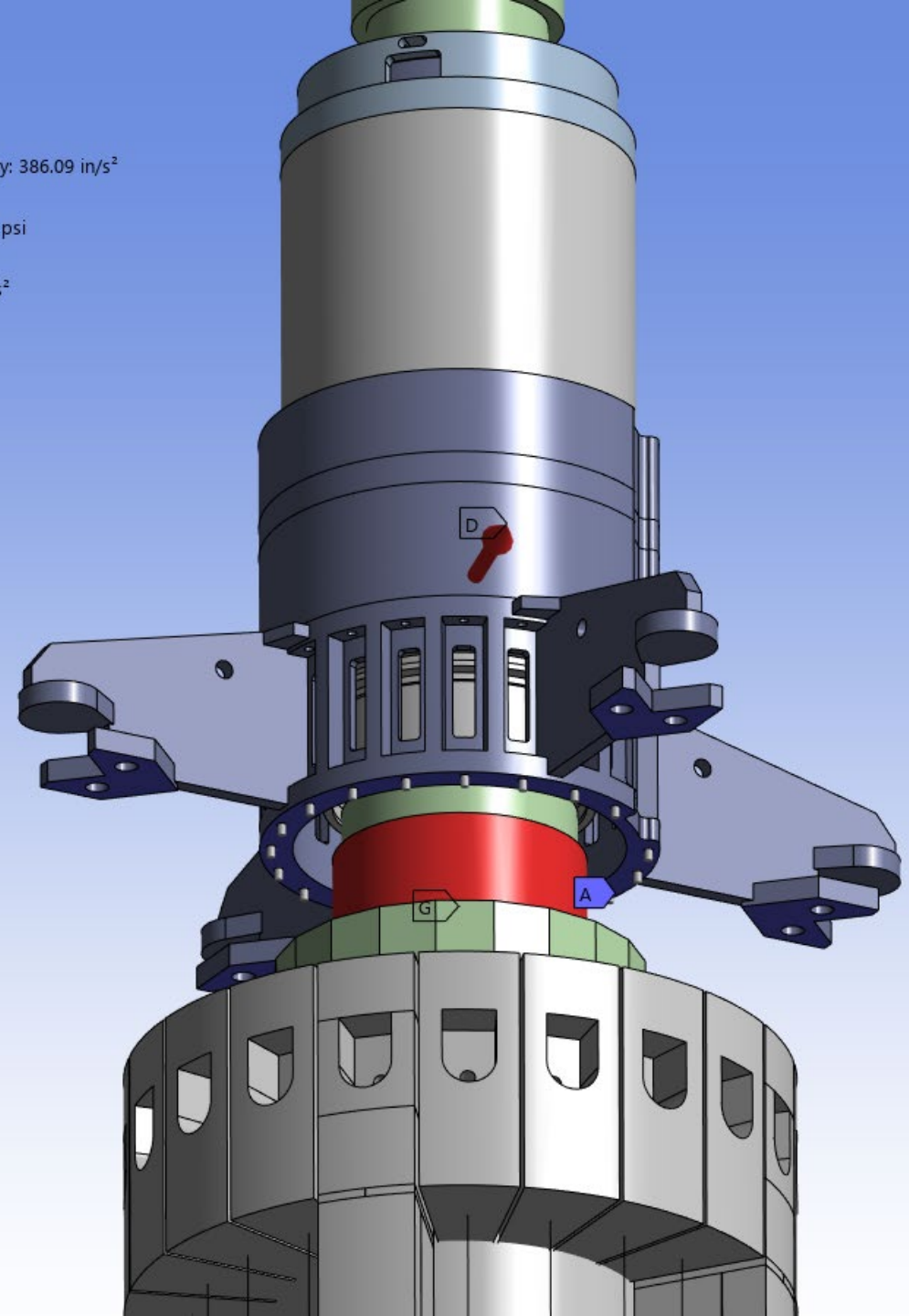


Deflection Requirements

- Uses full Target model
- Linear material properties
- Unfactored Seismic Load
- Assume worst case of combined loads
- No fasteners

A: Seismic
Static Structural
Time: 1. s

- A** Fixed Support
- B** Standard Earth Gravity: 386.09 in/s²
- C** Displacement
- D** Crown Pressure: 125. psi
- E** Rotational Velocity:
- F** Acceleration: 251. in/s²
- G** Point Mass

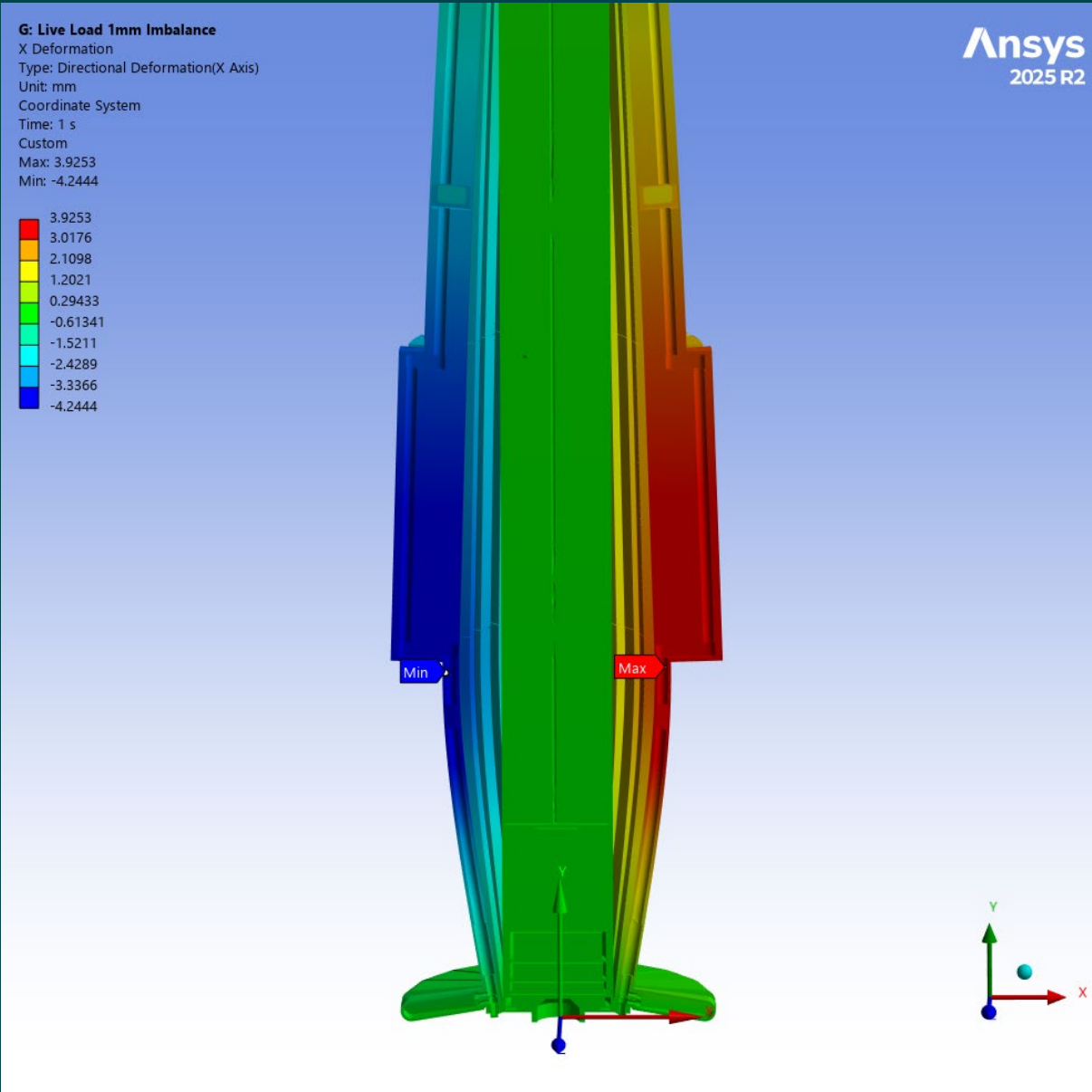


Operation Deflections

Normal operations include the worst-case combinations of:

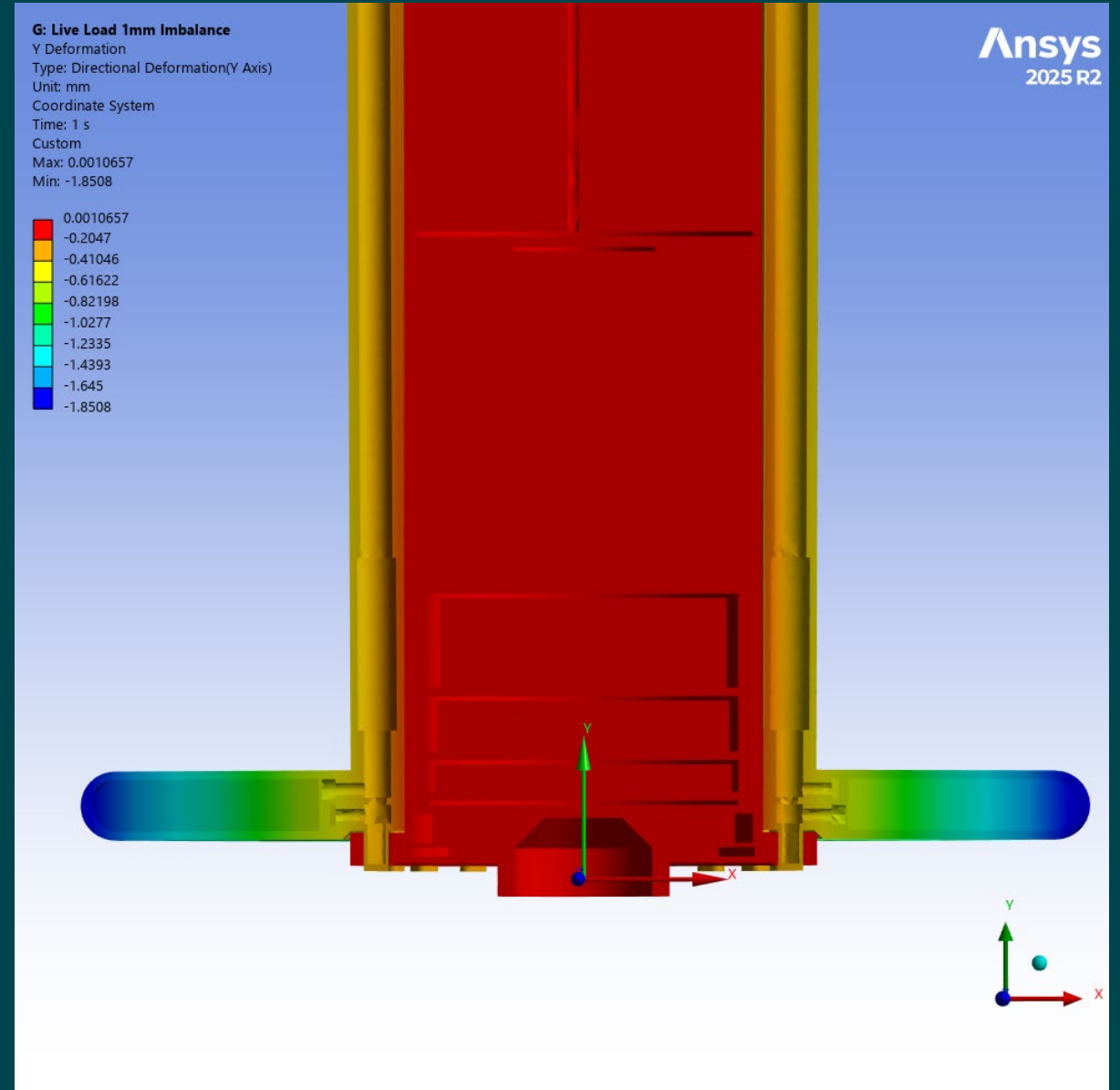
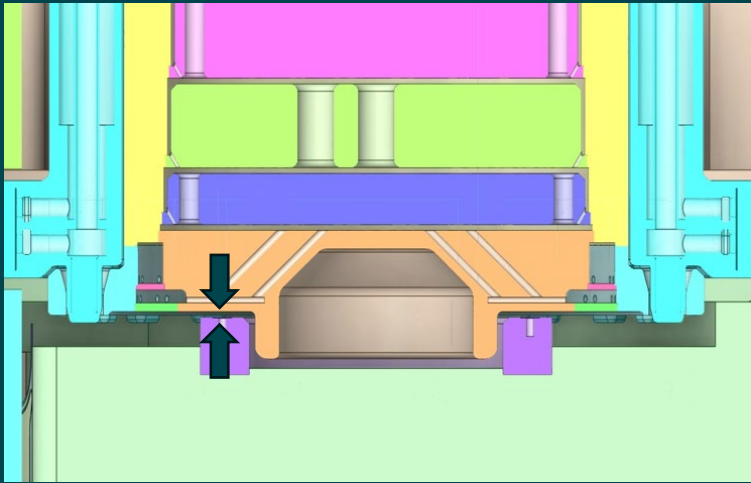
- L - Live loads (imbalance target rotation)
- P - Operational pressures (Core Vessel and component operating pressures) and pressure testing (MAWP)
- T - Operating thermal loads (beam on, cooling water)

Requirement < +/-4.5mm	
X Deformation (mm)	
	-4.2424
	-0.1736
	-0.1719
	3.9250



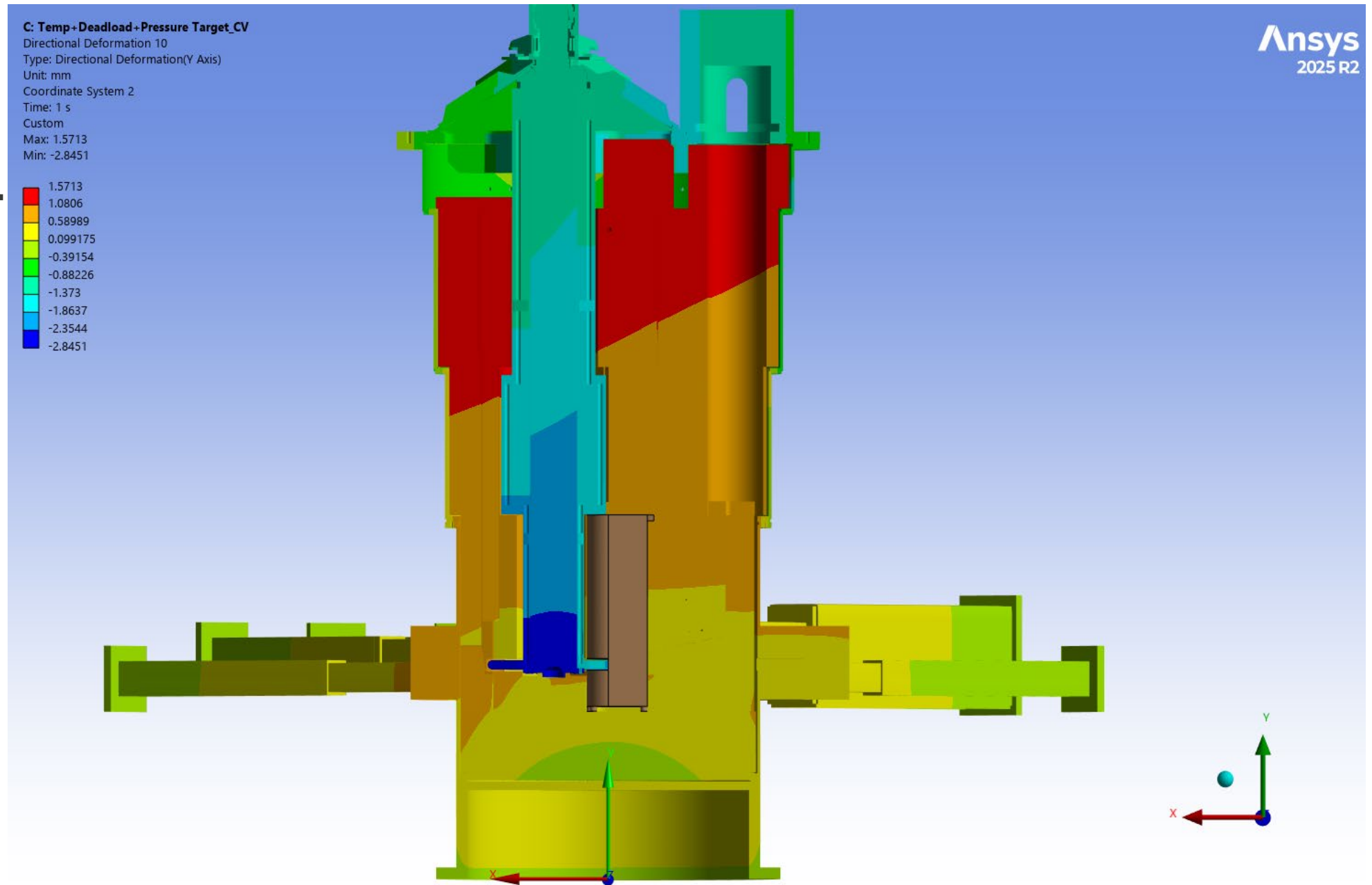
Target Vertical Deflection

- Shaft vertical deflection is relatively small without the CV lid
- Most of the 'foot' movement is from the lower part of the Segment deforming.

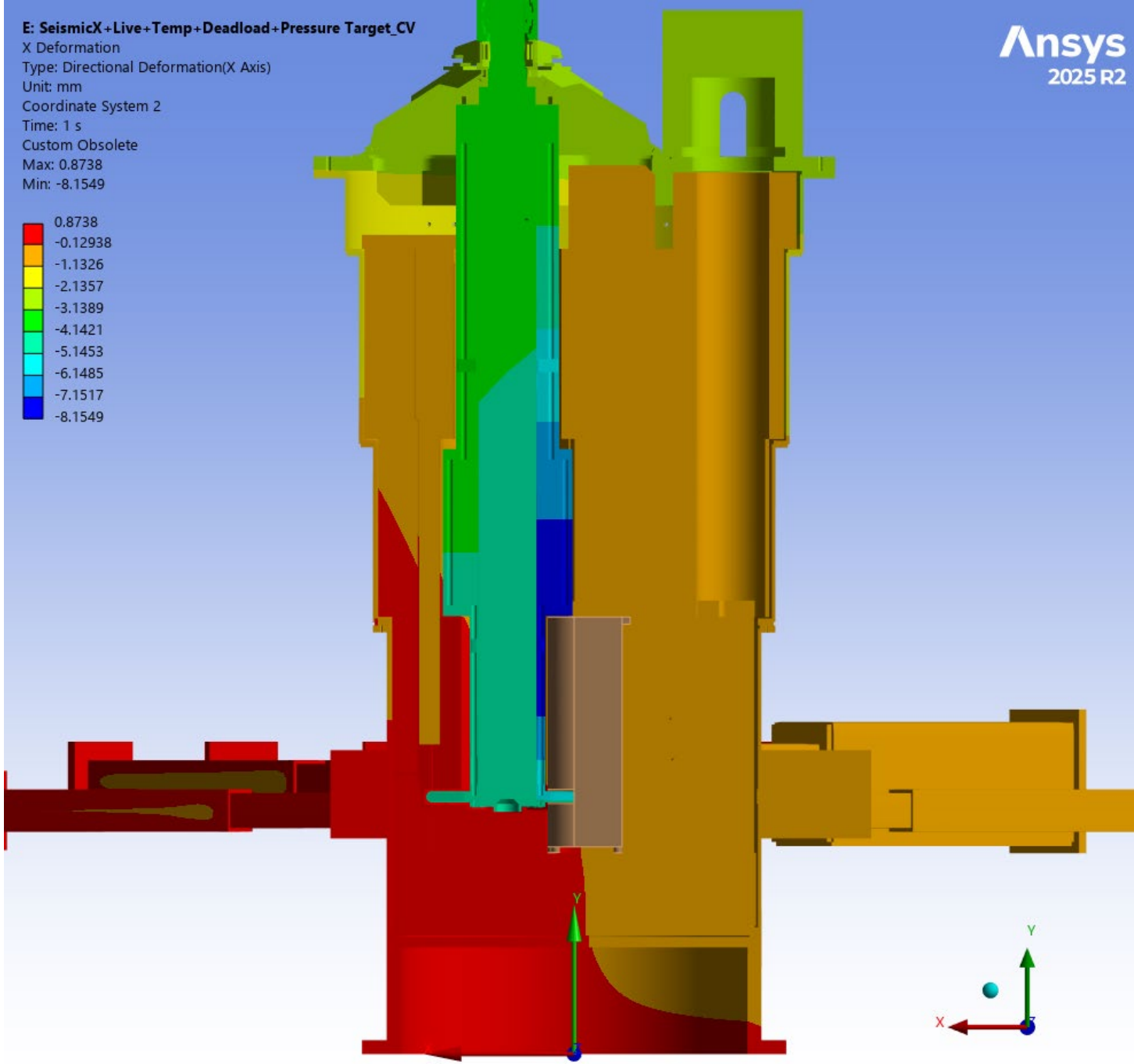


Overall Deflection: Operational

- Target and CV Shell vs Shield Stack

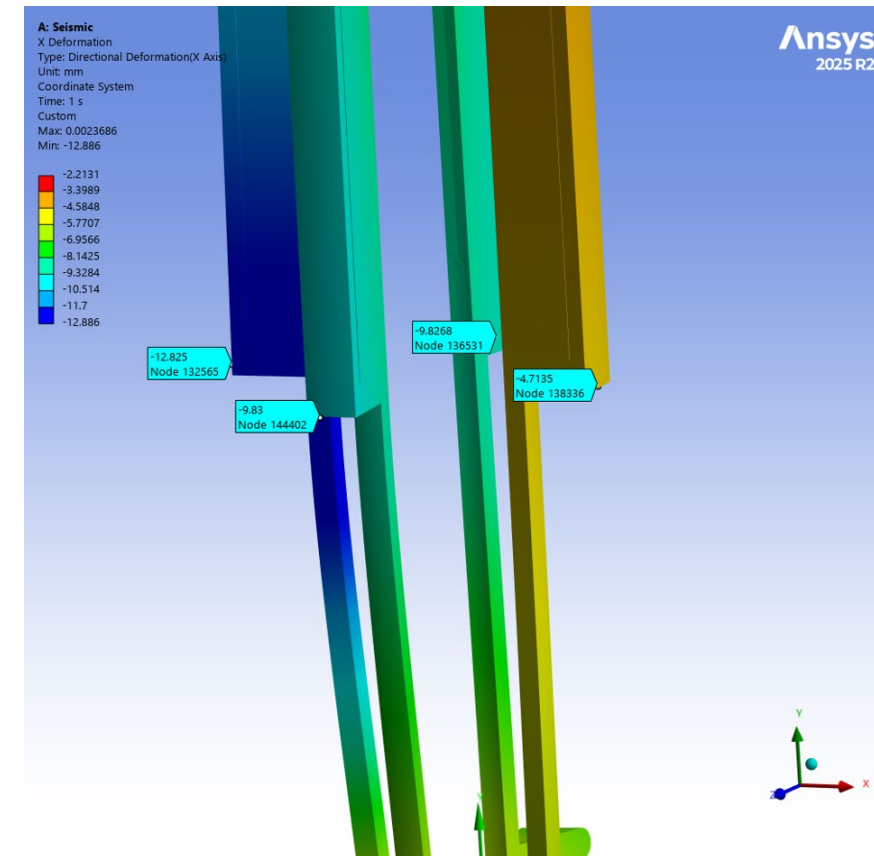
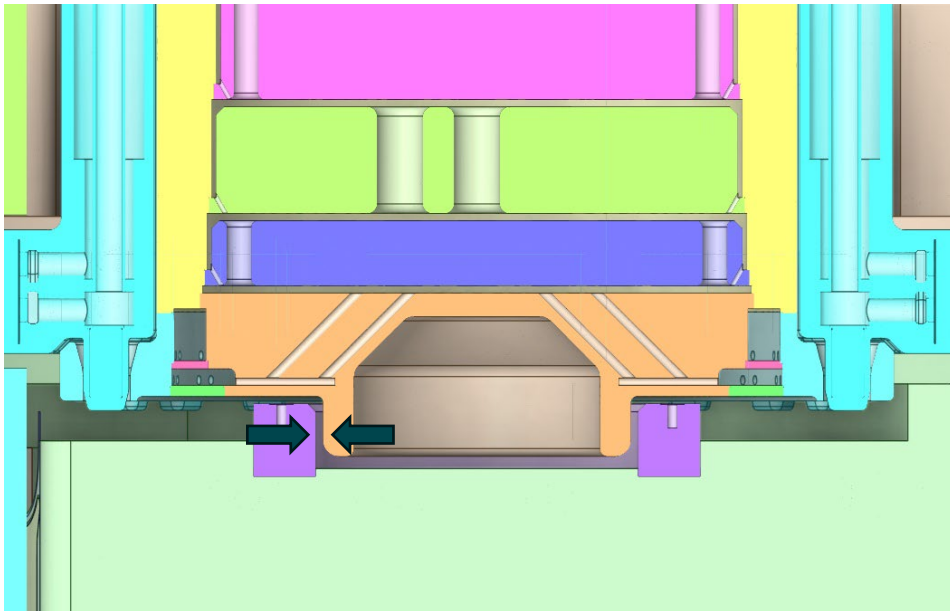


Overall Deflection: Seismic



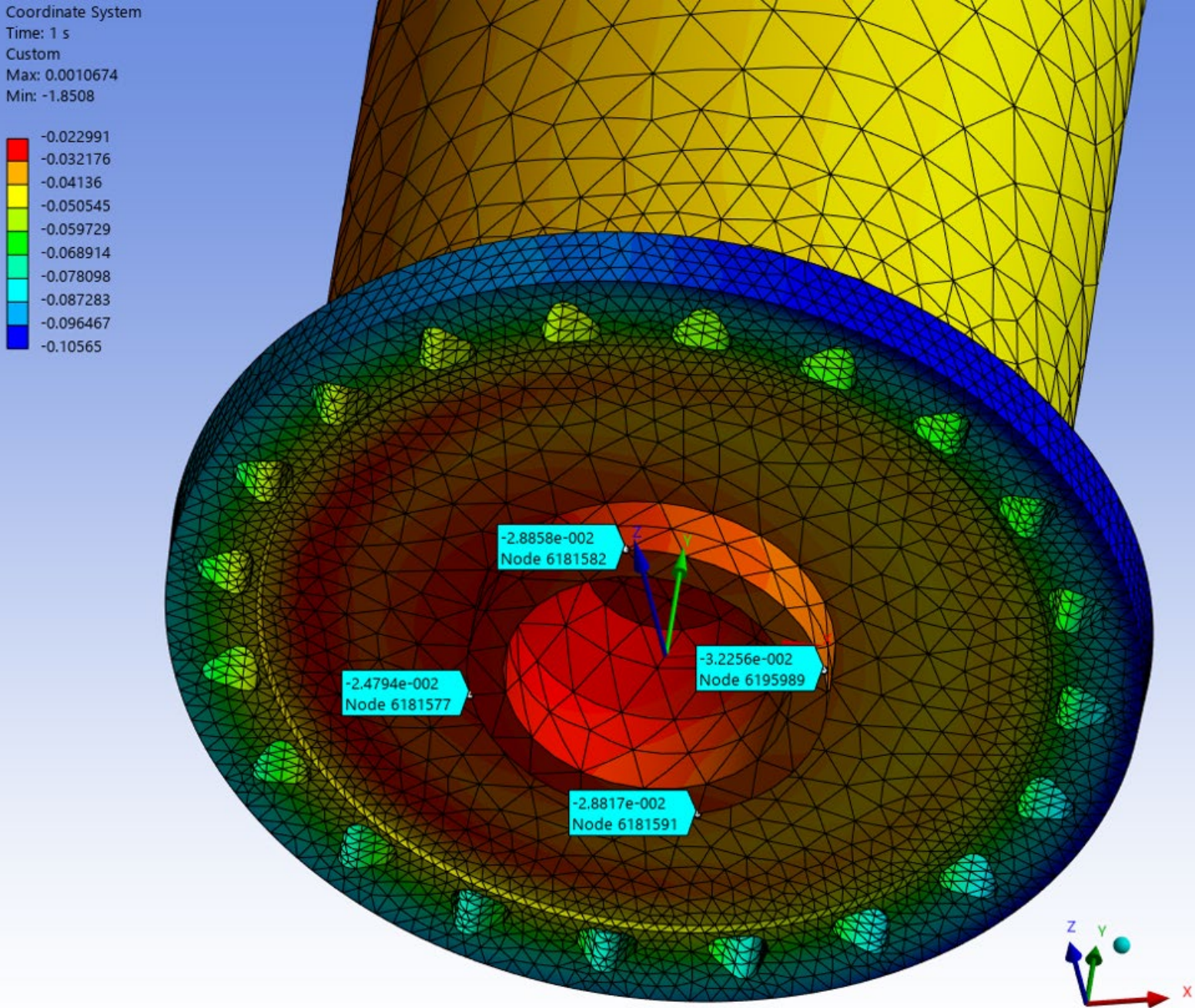
Requirement < 7mm Relative						
Node ID	X	Y	Z		Total X Deformation (mm)	Relative X Deformation (mm)
132565	-145.219	1315.054	-6.34533		-12.825	-6.825
136531	357.1438	1297.65	-516.46		-9.8268	-3.8268
138336	886.4183	1290.18	-14.1274		-4.7135	1.2865
144402	357.1024	1297.641	516.4323		-9.83	-3.83

Mid Segment Seismic Deflection Requirement



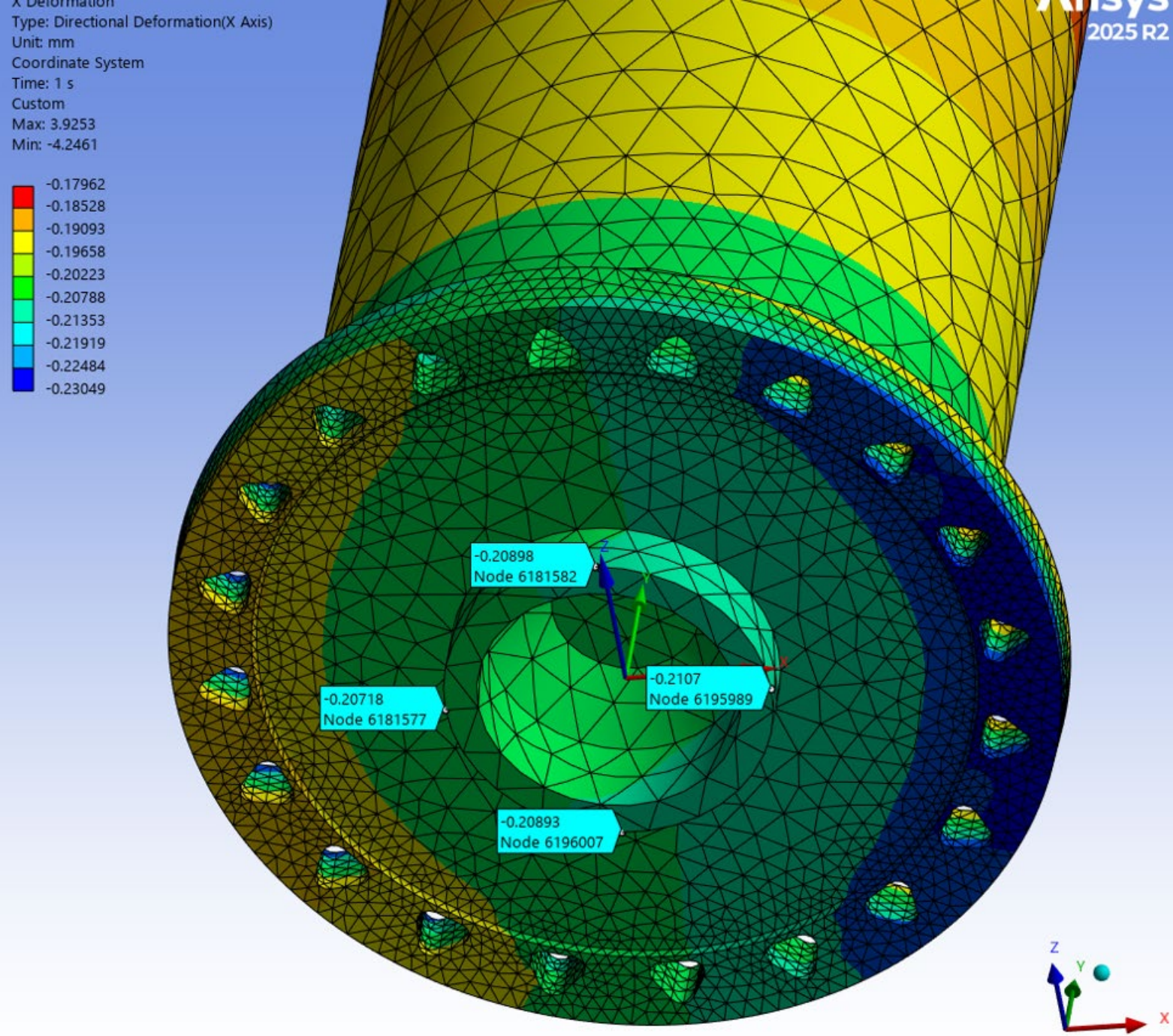
Snubber Vertical Deflection, Operational

Requirement < -2mm	
Y Deformation (mm)	
	-0.0323
	-0.0248
	-0.0289
	-0.0288



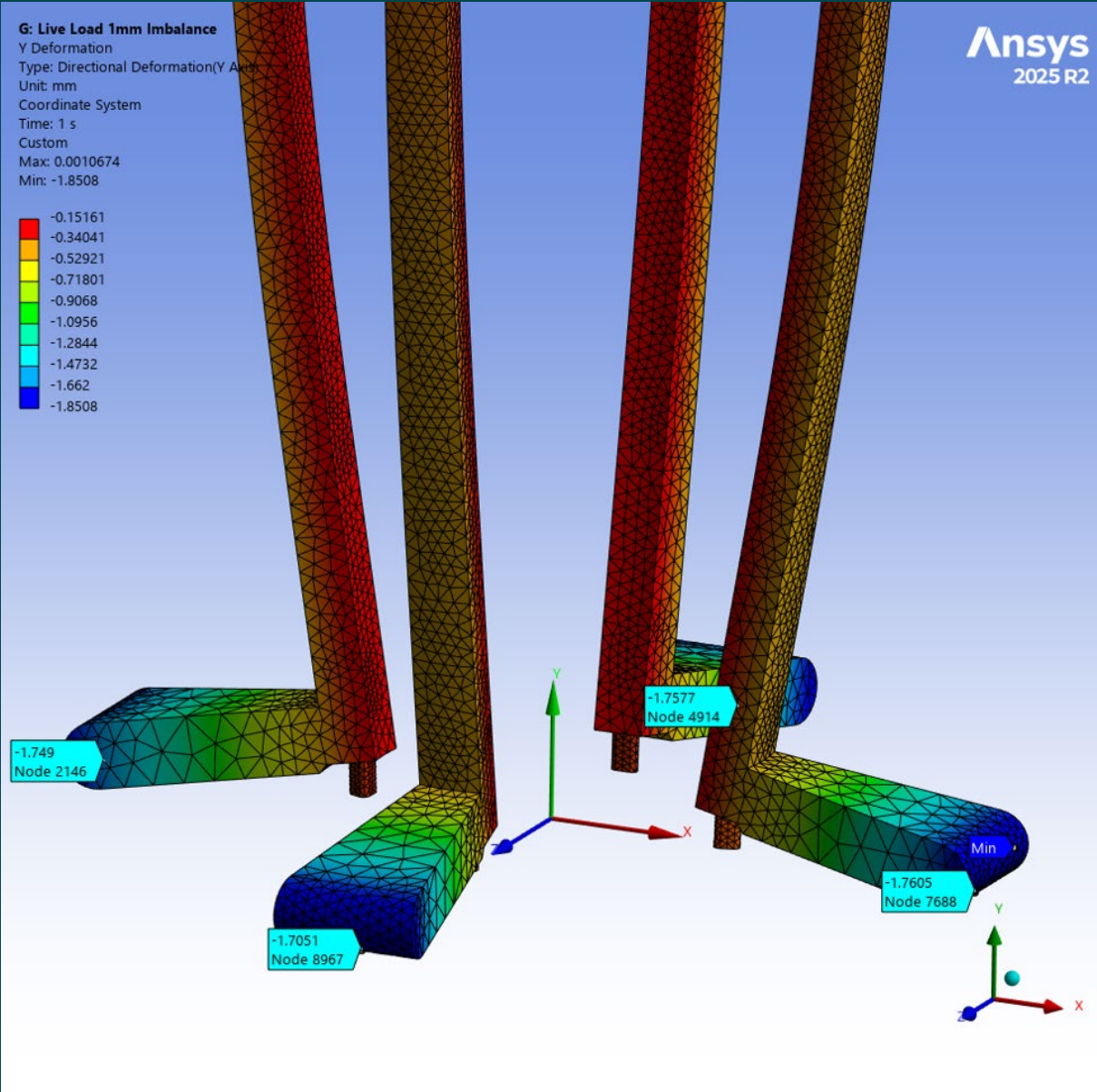
Snubber Radial Deflection, Operational

Requirement < +/-0.5mm	
X Deformation (mm)	
	-0.2090
	-0.2089
	-0.2072
	-0.2107



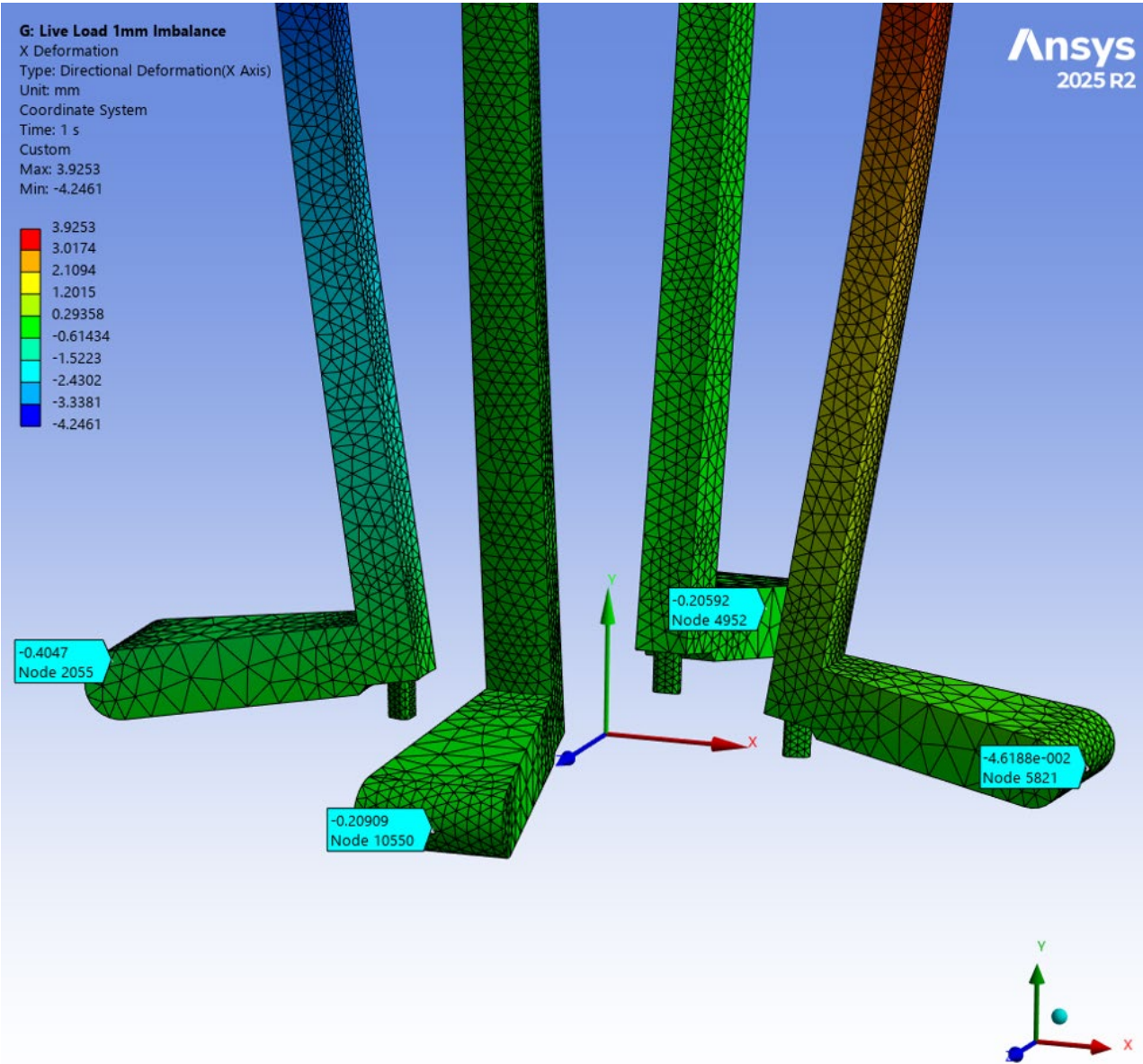
Segment Foot Vertical Deflection, Operational

Requirement < -3.25mm	
Y Deformation (mm)	
	-1.7051
	-1.7605
	-1.7577
	-1.749



Segment Foot Radial Deflection, Operational

Requirement < 0.5mm	
X Deformation (mm)	
	-0.4047
	-0.2091
	-0.0462
	-0.2059



Segment Analysis: ASME Section VIII, DIV 2

- Elastic Plastic Analysis, Table 5.5
 - Plastic Collapse
 - Local Failure
- Elastic Analysis, Table 5.3
 - Fastener Loads
 - Plastic Ratcheting
- 316L Stainless Steel

Table 5.5
Load Case Combinations and Load Factors for an Elastic-Plastic Analysis

Criteria	Required Factored Load Combinations
	Design Conditions
Global	(1) $\beta(P + P_s + D)$ (2) $0.88\beta(P + P_s + D + T) + 1.13\beta L + 0.36\beta S_s$ (3) $0.88\beta(P + P_s + D) + 1.13\beta S_s + 0.71\beta L$ or $0.36\beta W$ (4) $0.88\beta(P + P_s + D) + 0.71\beta W + 0.71\beta L + 0.36\beta S_s$ (5) $0.88\beta(P + P_s + D) + 0.71\beta E + 0.71\beta L + 0.14\beta S_s$
Local	$1.7[P + P_s + D]$
Serviceability	Per User's Design Specification, if applicable; see 5.2.4.3(b)
	Test Condition
Global	$\frac{\beta}{1.5} \times \frac{1}{\beta_T} (P_T + P_s + D + 0.6W_{pt})$
Serviceability	Per User's Design Specification, if applicable

GENERAL NOTES:

- The parameters used in the Design Load Combination column are defined in Table 5.2.
- See 5.2.4.3 for descriptions of global and serviceability criteria.
- S is the allowable membrane stress at the design temperature.
- S_T is the allowable membrane stress at the pressure test temperature.
- Loads listed herein shall be considered to act in the combinations described above; whichever produces the most unfavorable effect in the component being considered. Effects of one or more loads not acting shall be considered.

Table 5.3
Load Case Combinations and Allowable Stresses for an Elastic Analysis

Load Combinations [Note (1)]	Stress Assessment and Allowable Stress [Note (2)]				
	General Primary Membrane	Local Primary Membrane	Local Primary Membrane Plus Bending	Range of Primary Plus Secondary	Range of Primary Plus Secondary Plus Peak
	P_m	P_L	$P_L + P_b$	$P_L + P_b + Q$	$P_L + P_b + Q + F$
Design					
(1) $P + P_s + D$	S	S_{PL}	S_{PL}	Not applicable	
(2) $P + P_s + D + L$					
(3) $P + P_s + D + L + T$					
(4) $P + P_s + D + S_s$					
(5) $0.6D + (0.6W \text{ or } 0.7E)$ [Note (3)]					
(6) $\Omega_p P + P_s + D + (0.6W \text{ or } 0.7E)$ [Note (4)]					
(7) $\Omega_p P + P_s + D + 0.75(L + T) + 0.75S_s$ [Note (4)]					
(8) $\Omega_p P + P_s + D + 0.75(0.6W \text{ or } 0.7E) + 0.75L + 0.75S_s$ [Note (4)]					
(9) Other design load combinations as defined in the User's Design Specification					

Acceptance Criteria: Elastic Plastic Loads

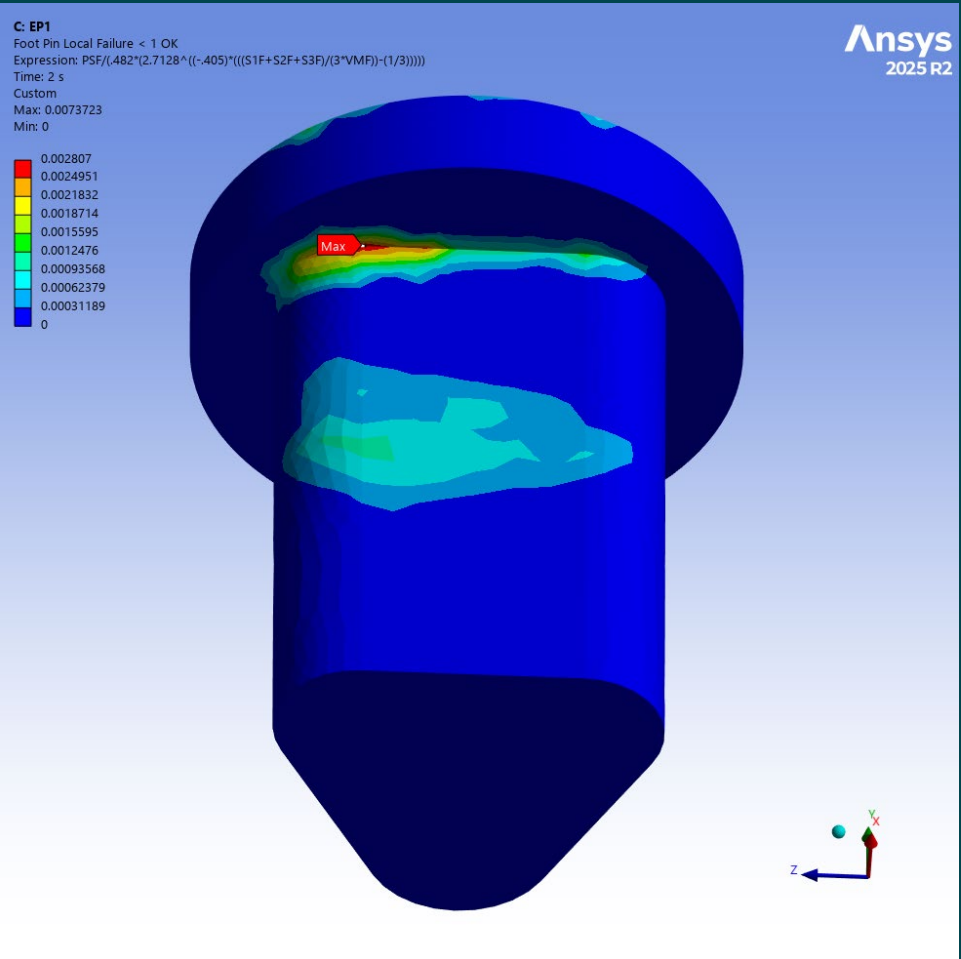
Local Failure: The Limiting Triaxial Strain is compared to the Equivalent Plastic Strain (no cold work strain)

$$\epsilon_L = \epsilon_{Lu} \cdot \exp \left[- \left(\frac{\alpha_{sl}}{1 + m_2} \right) \left(\left\{ \frac{(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)}{3\sigma_e} \right\} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right]$$

$$\epsilon_{peq} + \epsilon_{cf} \leq \epsilon_L$$

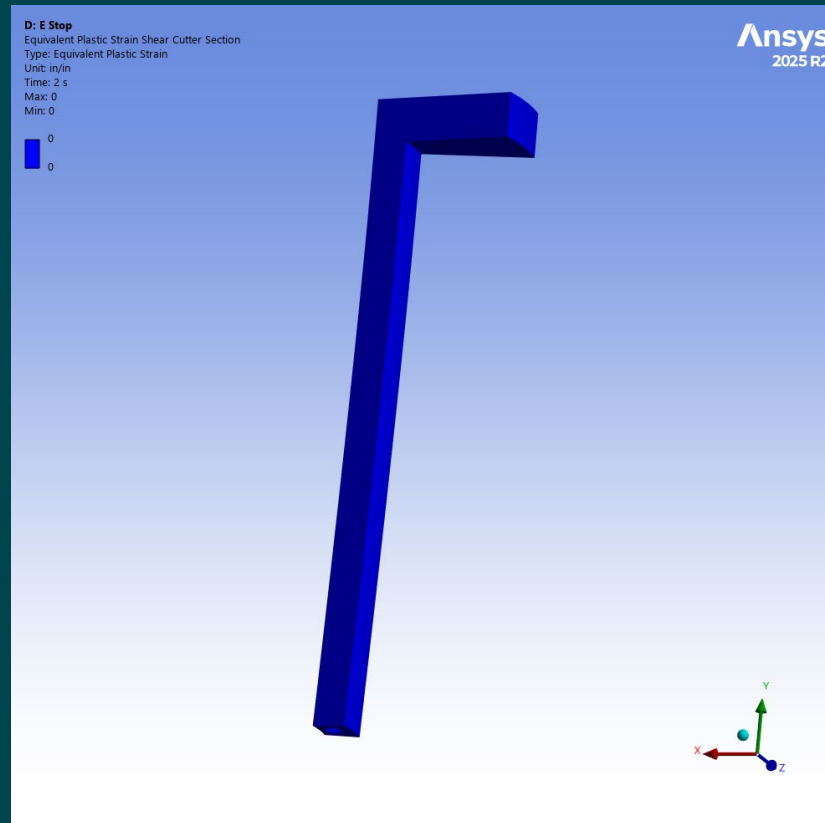


Plastic Collapse: Solution must converge



Acceptance Criteria: Elastic Loads

Plastic Ratcheting: Using a perfectly plastic stress strain curve, if no plastic strain occurs then ratcheting does not occur.



Fastener Loads are handled with structural methods.

$$\left[\frac{T_a}{(R_n/\Omega)_t} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{V_a}{(R_n/\Omega)_v} \right]^2 \leq 1$$

Acceptance Criteria: Cyclic Loads

Cycles:

$$t_{year} := 5000 \cdot hr$$

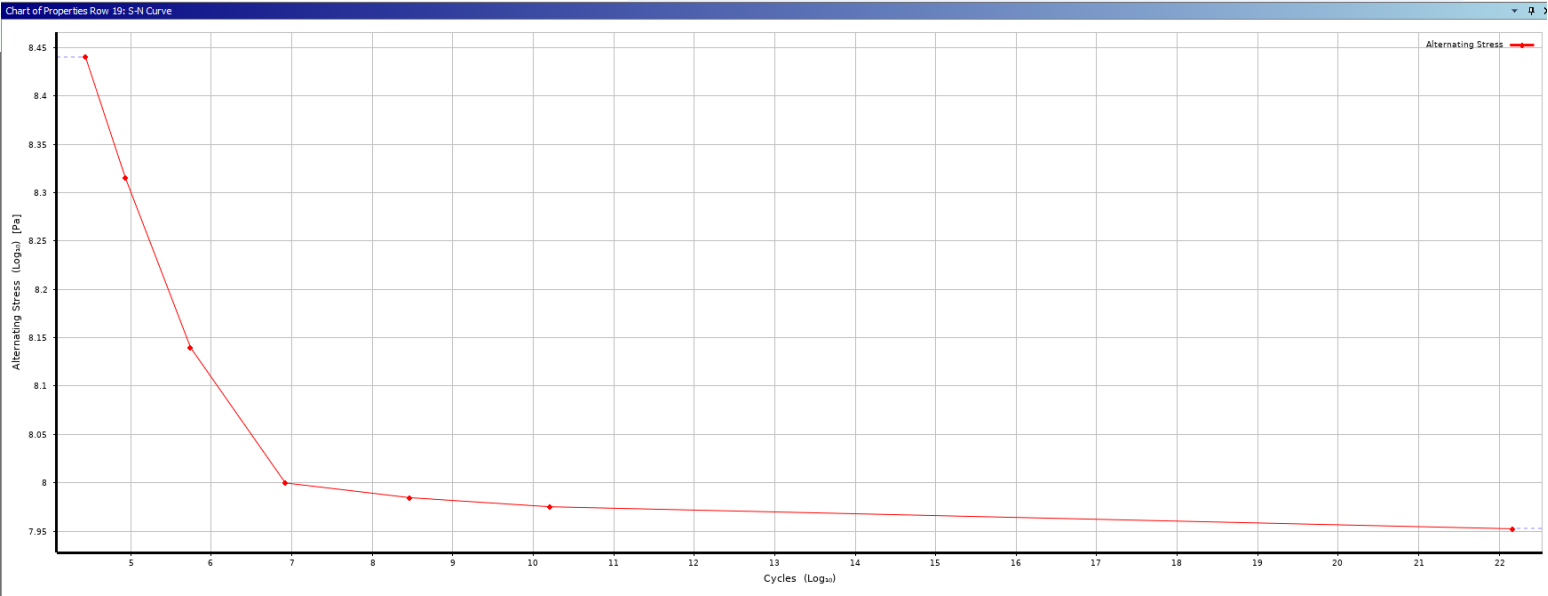
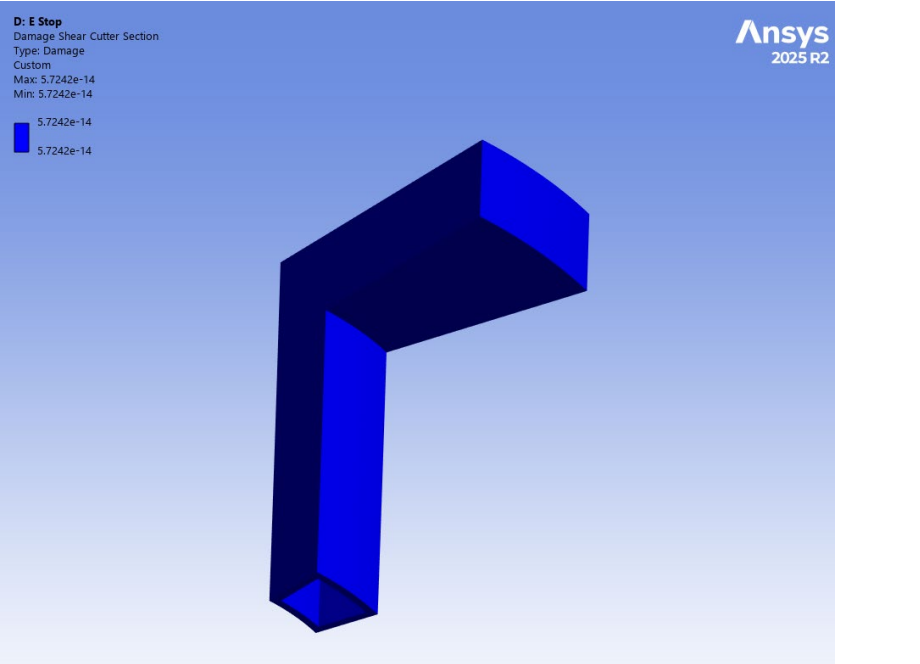
$$v_{rpm} := 45 \cdot rpm = (2.7 \cdot 10^3) \frac{rev}{hr}$$

$$years_{segment} := 10 \qquad years_{LoF} := 40$$

$$Segment := (t_{year} \cdot years_{segment}) \cdot v_{rpm} = 8.5 \cdot 10^8$$

$$LoF := (t_{year} \cdot years_{LoF}) \cdot v_{rpm} = 3.4 \cdot 10^9$$

Damage < 1



Load Parameters: Seismic Coefficient

13.3 SEISMIC DEMANDS ON NONSTRUCTURAL COMPONENTS

13.3.1 Seismic Design Force

13.3.1.1 Horizontal Force. The horizontal seismic design force (F_p) shall be applied at the component's center of gravity and distributed relative to the component's mass distribution and shall be determined in accordance with Eq. (13.3-1):

$$F_p = \frac{0.4a_p S_{DS} W_p}{\left(\frac{R_p}{I_p}\right)} \left(1 + 2 \frac{z}{h}\right) \quad (13.3-1)$$

F_p is not required to be taken as greater than

$$F_p = 1.6 S_{DS} I_p W_p \quad (13.3-2)$$

and F_p shall not be taken as less than

$$F_p = 0.3 S_{DS} I_p W_p \quad (13.3-3)$$

where

F_p = seismic design force;

S_{DS} = spectral acceleration, short period, as determined from Section 11.4.5;

a_p = component amplification factor that varies from 1.00 to 2.50 (select appropriate value from Table 13.5-1 or 13.6-1);

I_p = component Importance Factor that varies from 1.00 to 1.50 (see Section 13.1.3);

W_p = component operating weight;

R_p = component response modification factor that varies from 1.00 to 12 (select appropriate value from Table 13.5-1 or 13.6-1);

z = height in structure of point of attachment of component with respect to the base. For items at or below the base, z shall be taken as 0. The value of z/h need not exceed 1.0; and

h = average roof height of structure with respect to the base.

$$S_{DS} := .453$$

Hazard Tool

$$a_p := 1.0$$

Rigid Attachment

$$W_p := 42000 \text{ lbf}$$

Model Properties

$$I_p := 1.5$$

Nuclear Safety Based

$$R_p := 1.25$$

Response Modification

$$z := 1$$

Height factors set to 1.0,
the component is attached at
the top of the roof (CV).

$$h := 1$$

$$F_p := \frac{.4 \cdot a_p \cdot S_{DS}}{\left(\frac{R_p}{I_p}\right)} \cdot \left(1 + 2 \cdot \frac{z}{h}\right) = 0.65$$

Load Parameters: E Stop Acceleration (part of Live load)

Time to stop using full motor torque

$$T := 2400 \cdot N \cdot m$$

$$I := 1560381200 \cdot kg \cdot mm^2$$

$$a := \frac{T}{I} = 1.538 \frac{1}{s^2}$$

$$v := 45 \cdot rpm$$

$$t := \frac{v}{a} = 3.1 s$$

Use 1 second emergency stop for conservatism and 10 seconds for regular stop

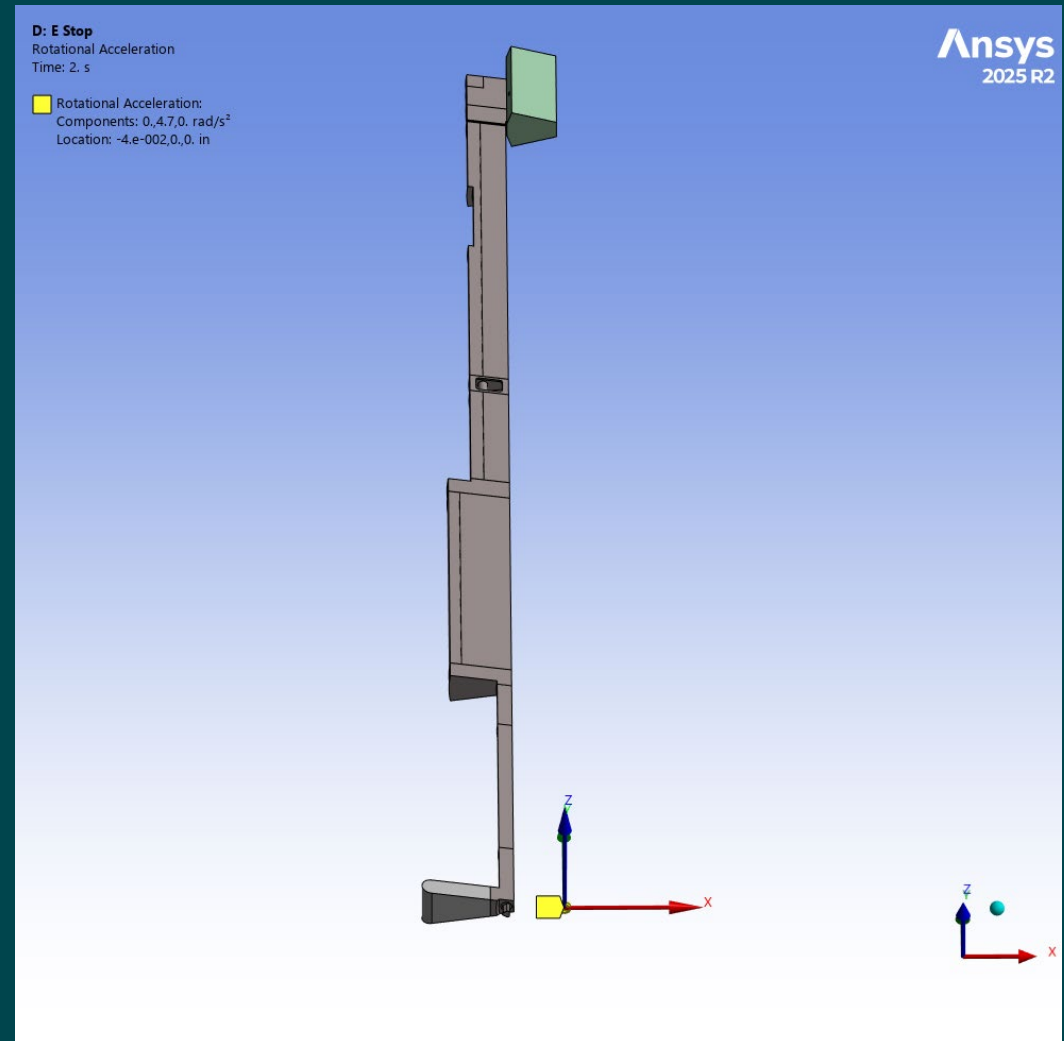
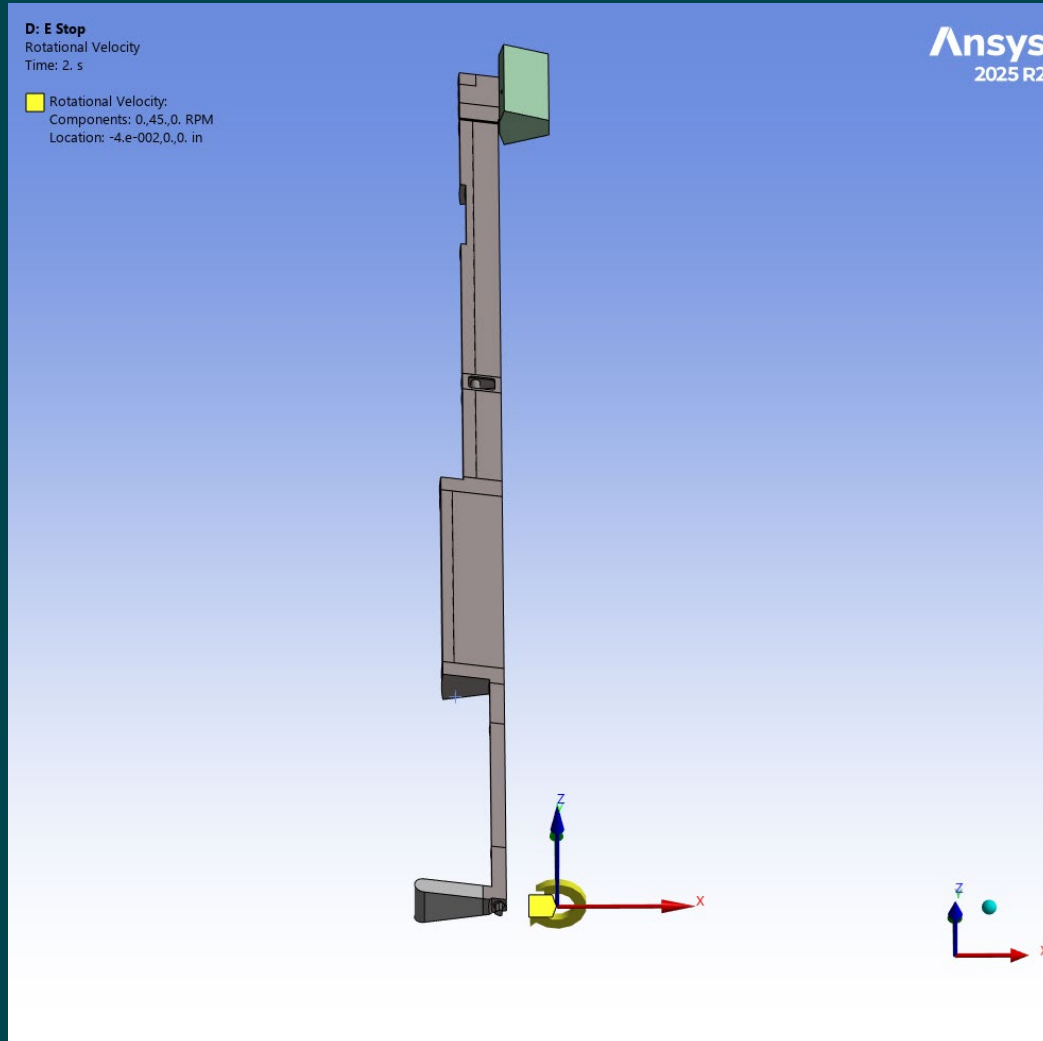
$$v := 45 \cdot rpm$$

$$t_1 := 1 s \quad t_{10} := 10 s$$

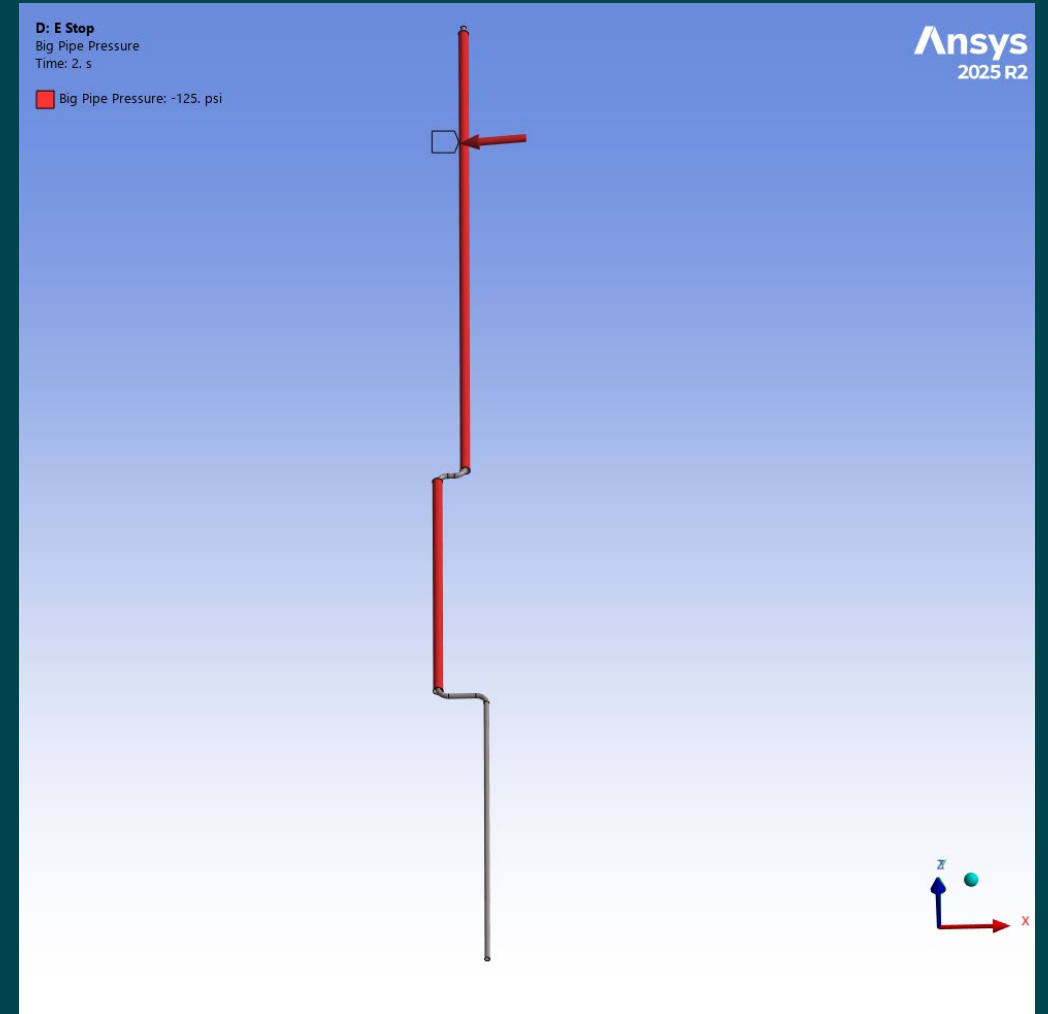
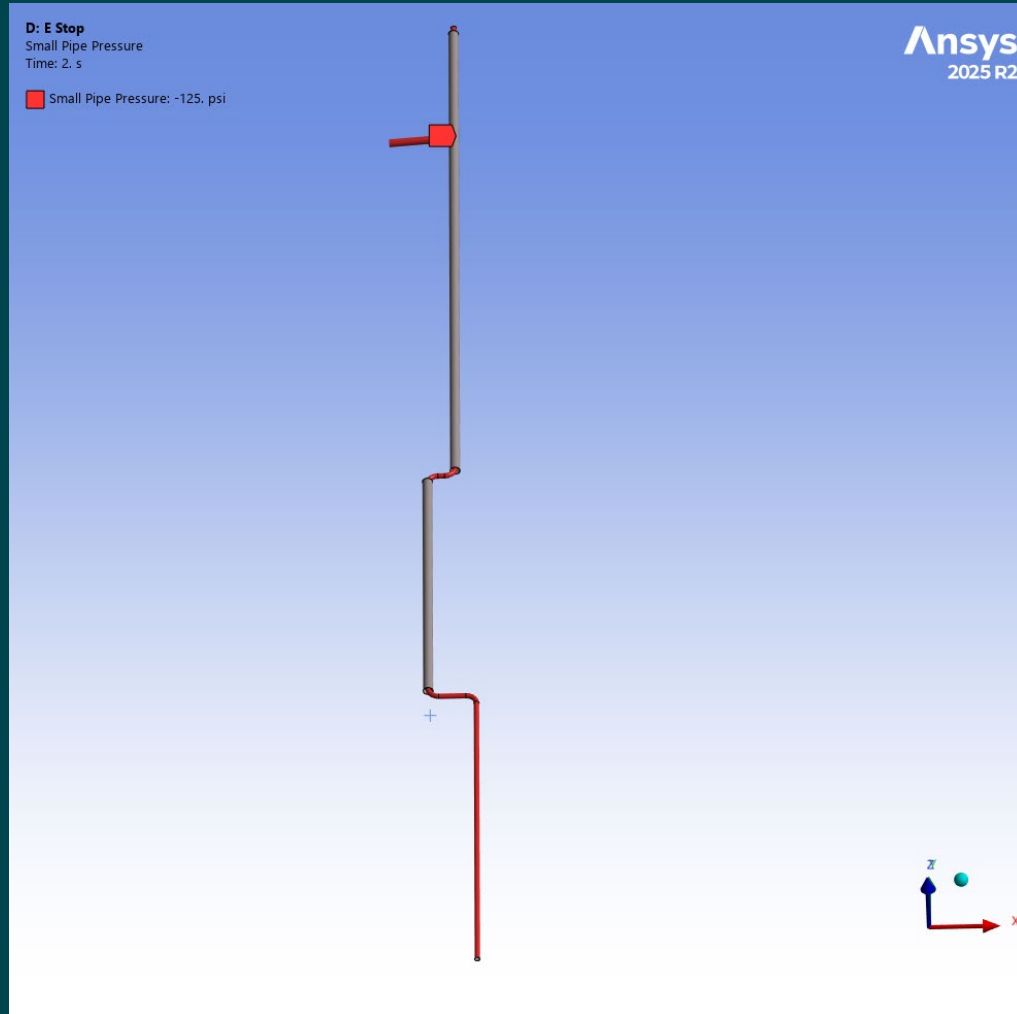
$$a_1 := \frac{v}{t_1} = 4.71 \frac{1}{s^2}$$

$$a_{10} := \frac{v}{t_{10}} = 0.47 \frac{1}{s^2}$$

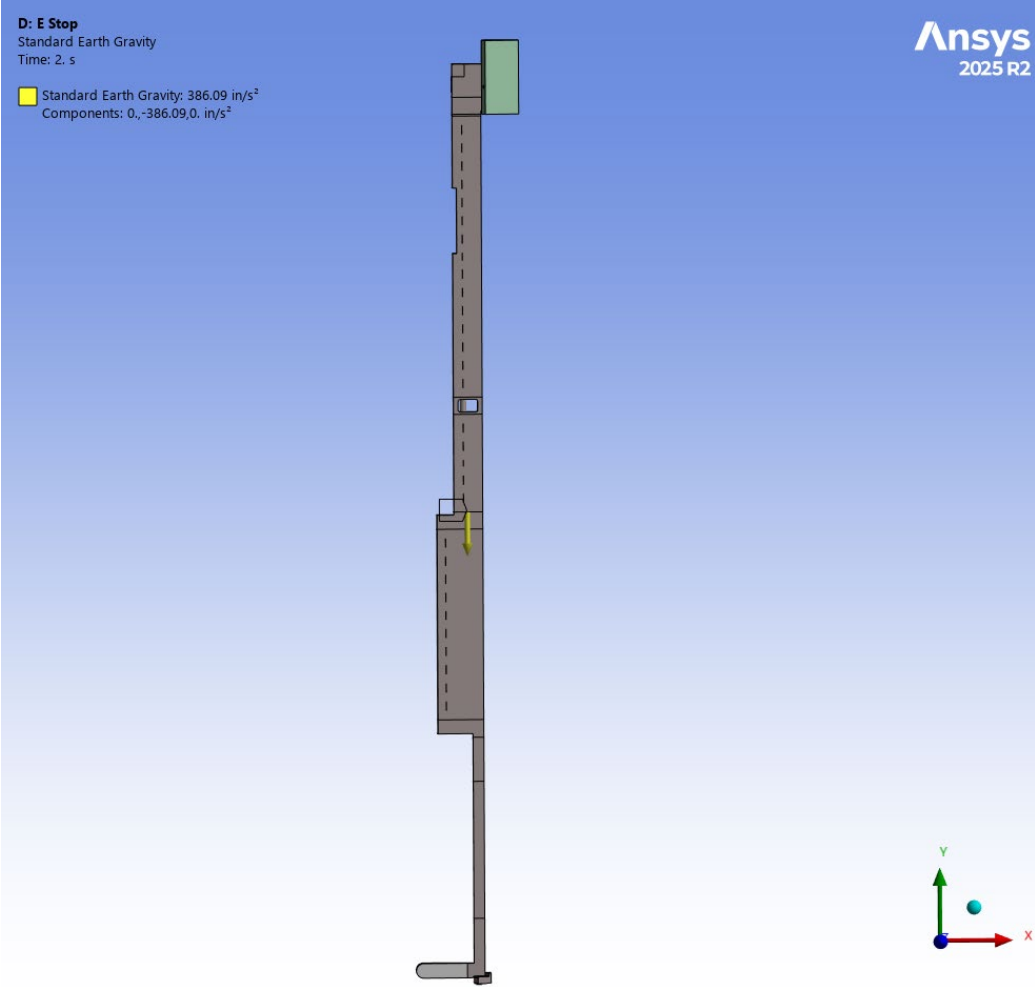
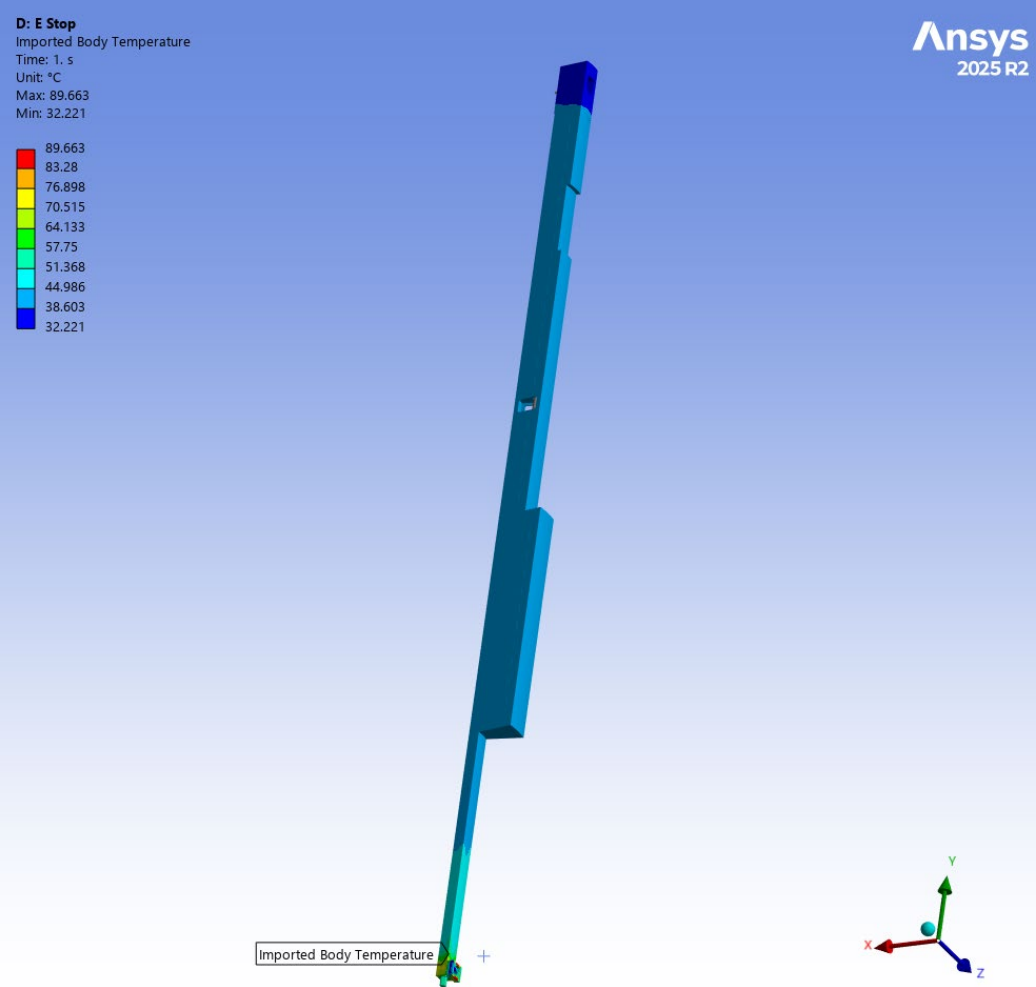
Load Parameters: Live Loads



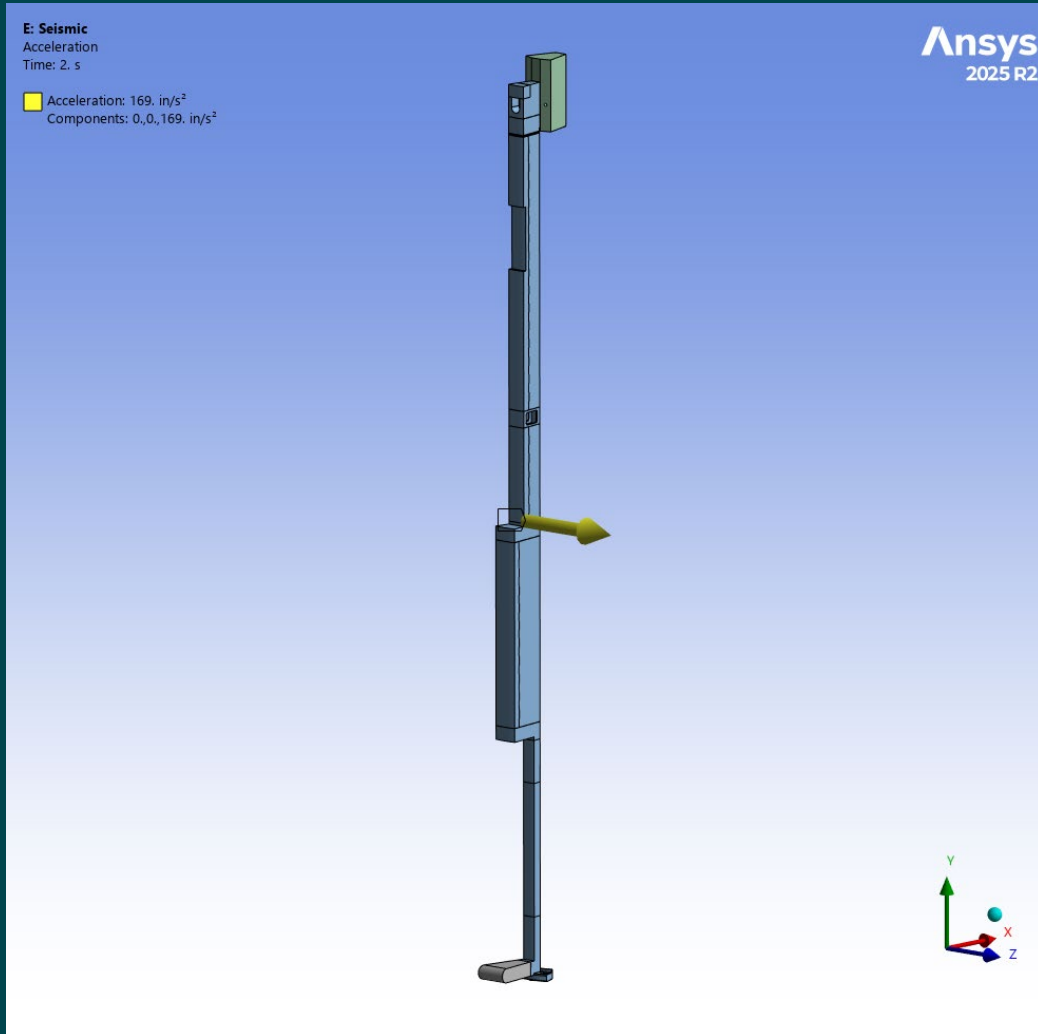
Load Parameters: MAWP



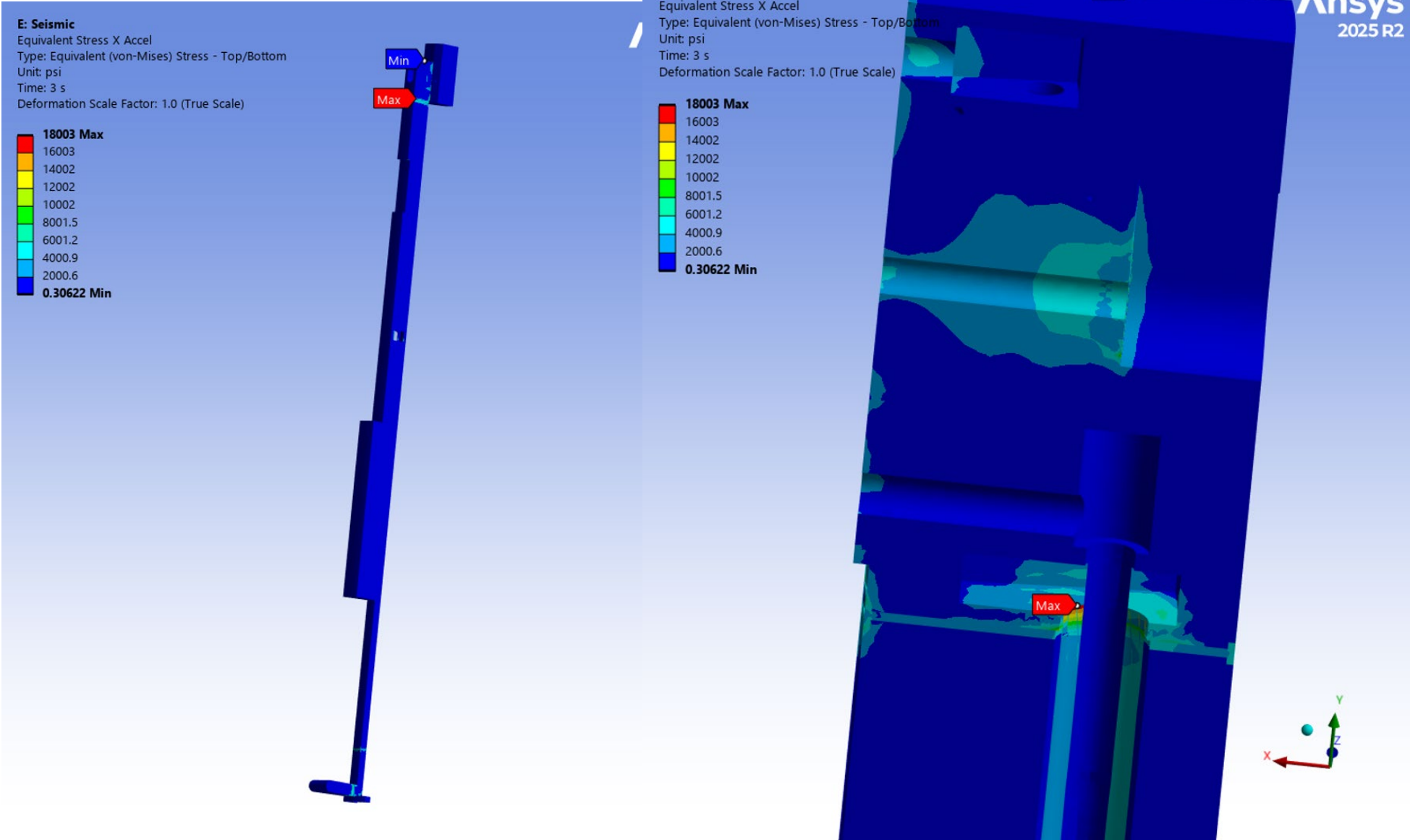
Load Parameters: Temperature and Deadload



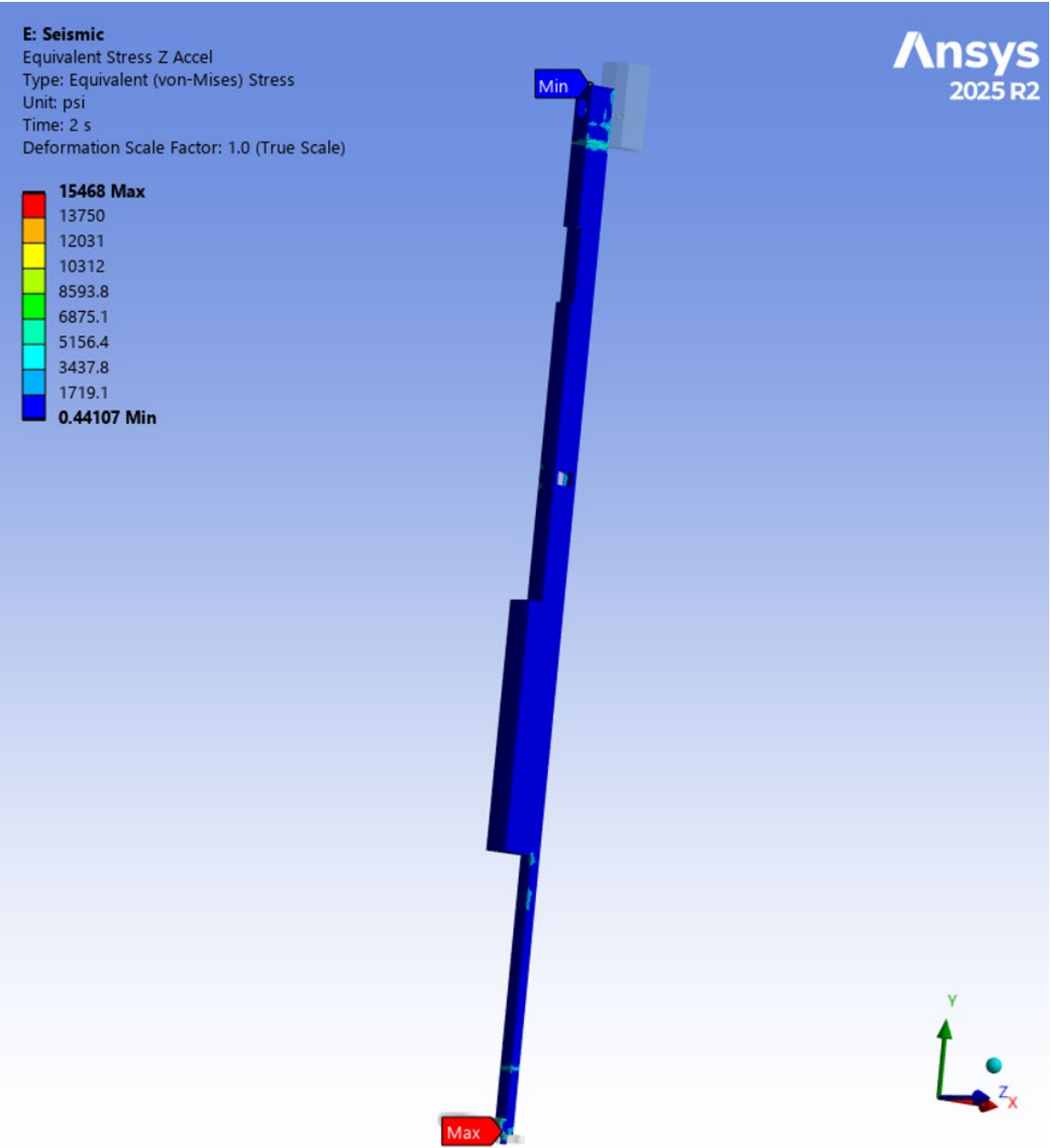
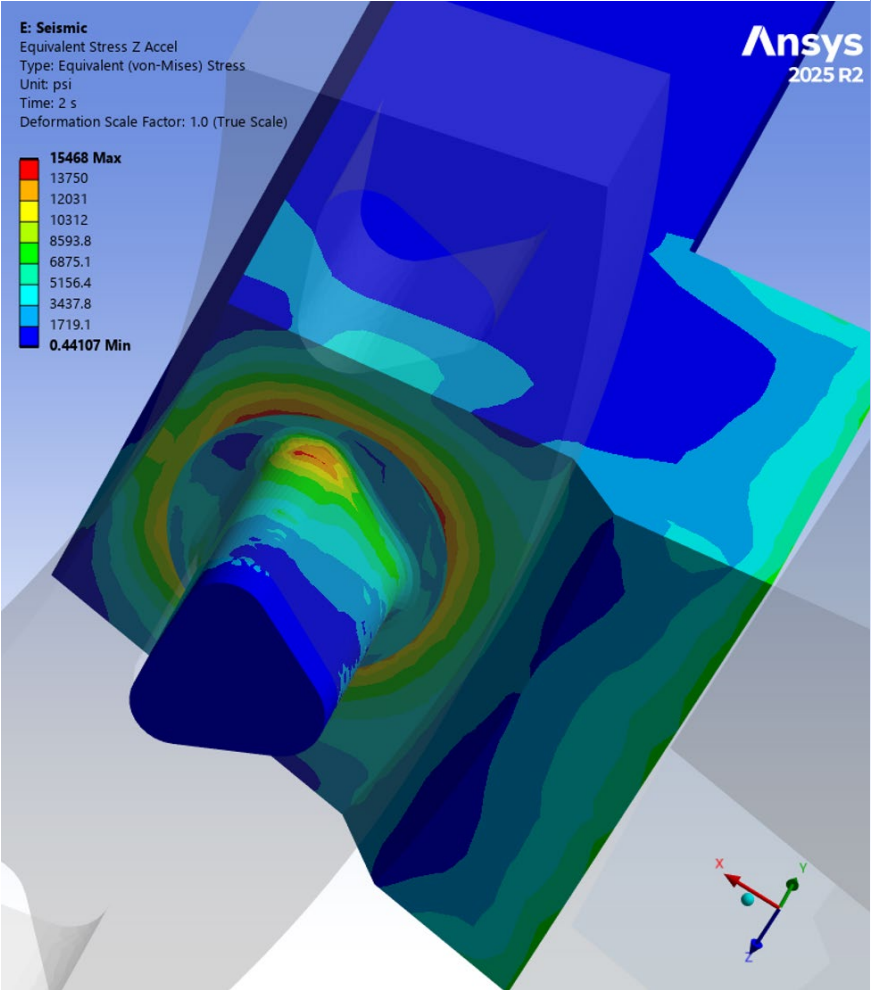
Load Parameters: Seismic (Two directions)



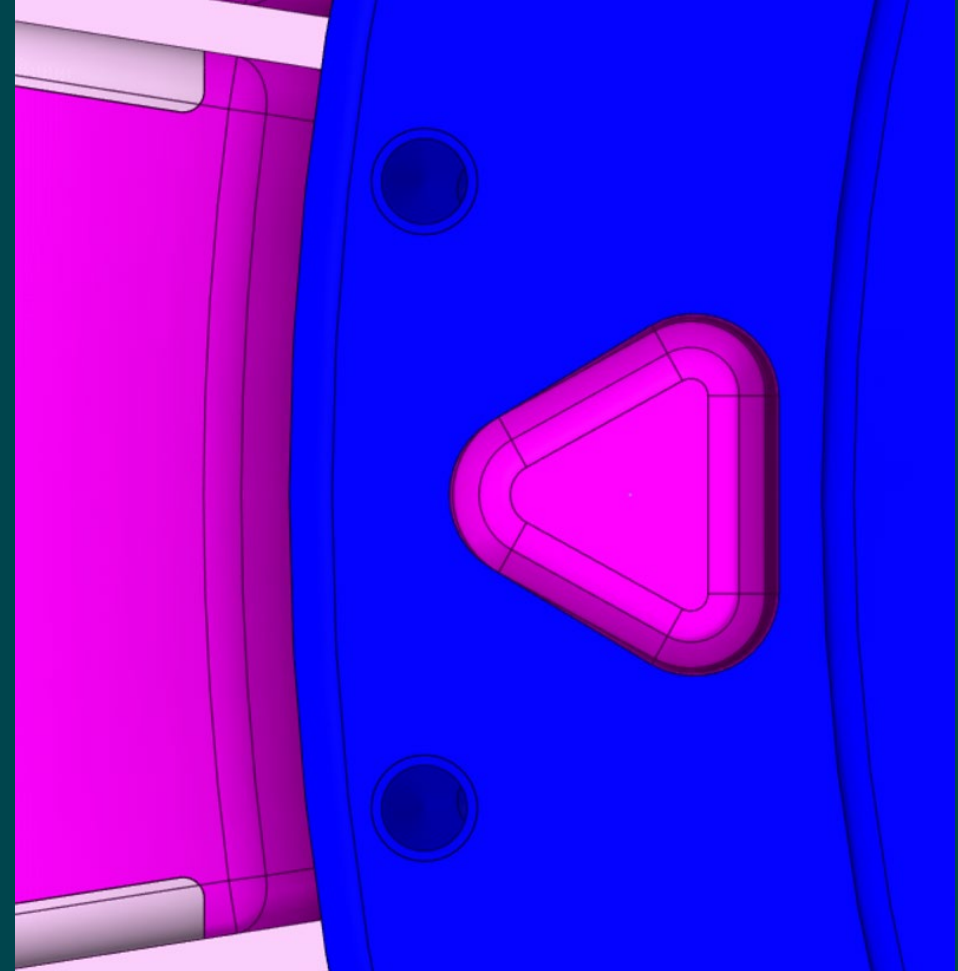
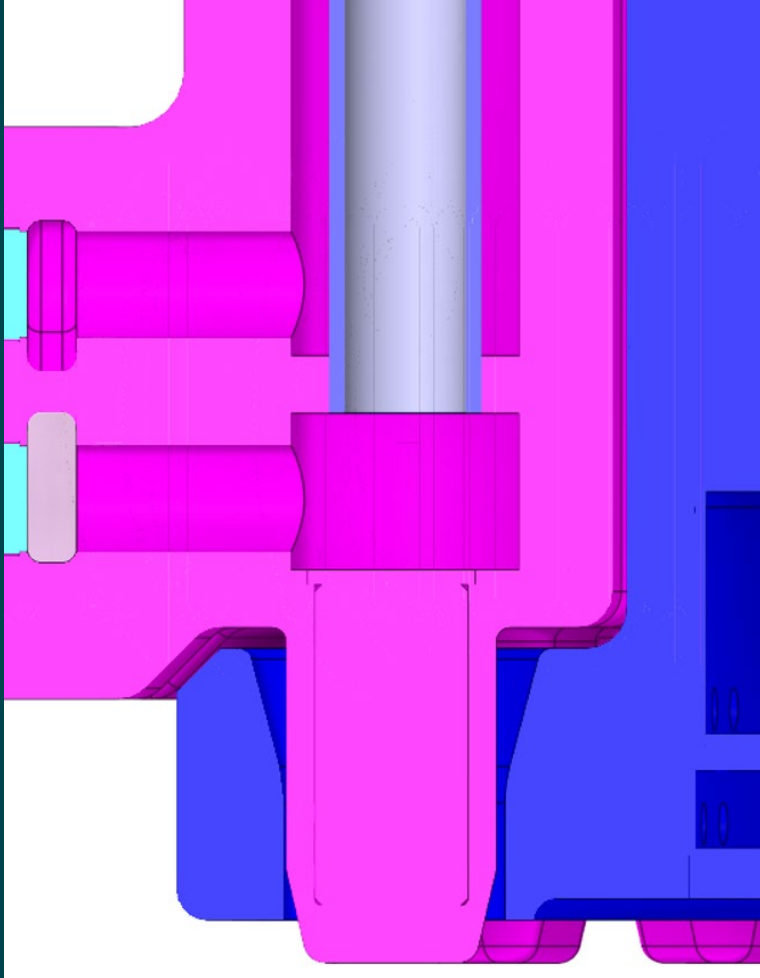
Segment Equivalent Stress: Seismic X



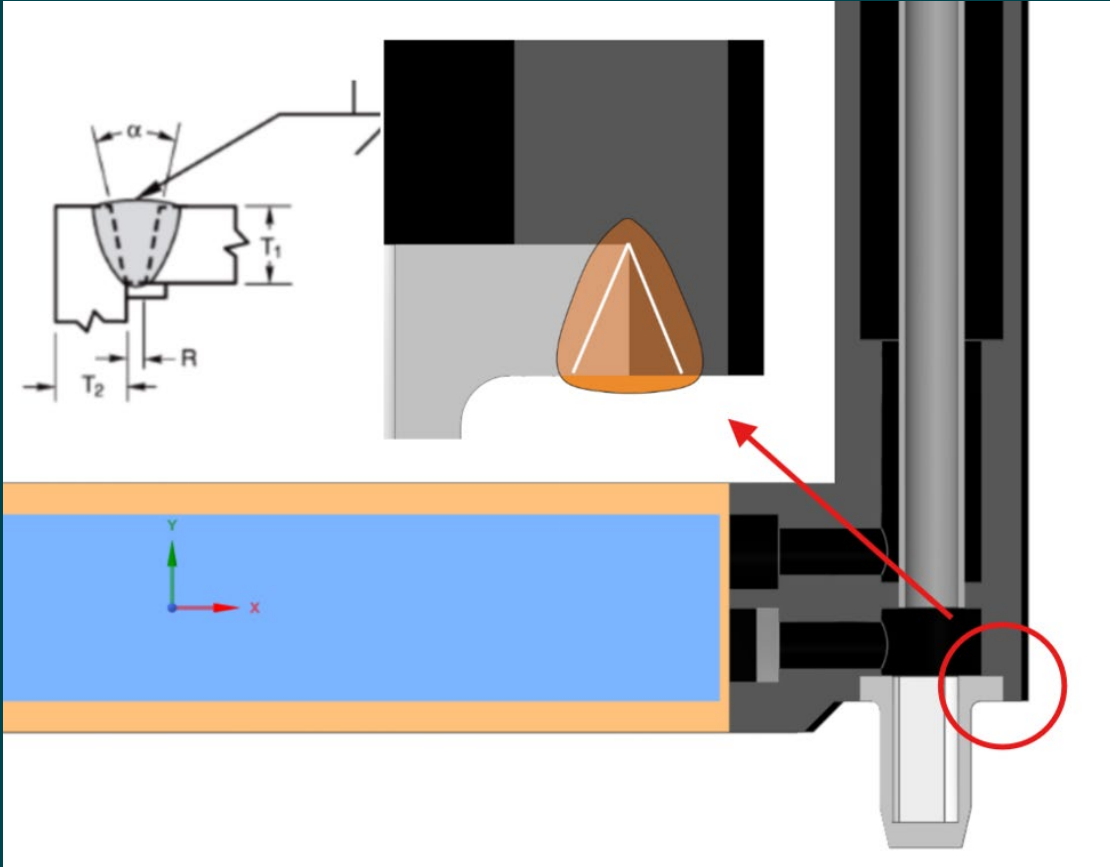
Segment Equivalent Stress: Seismic Z



Segment Foot Pin



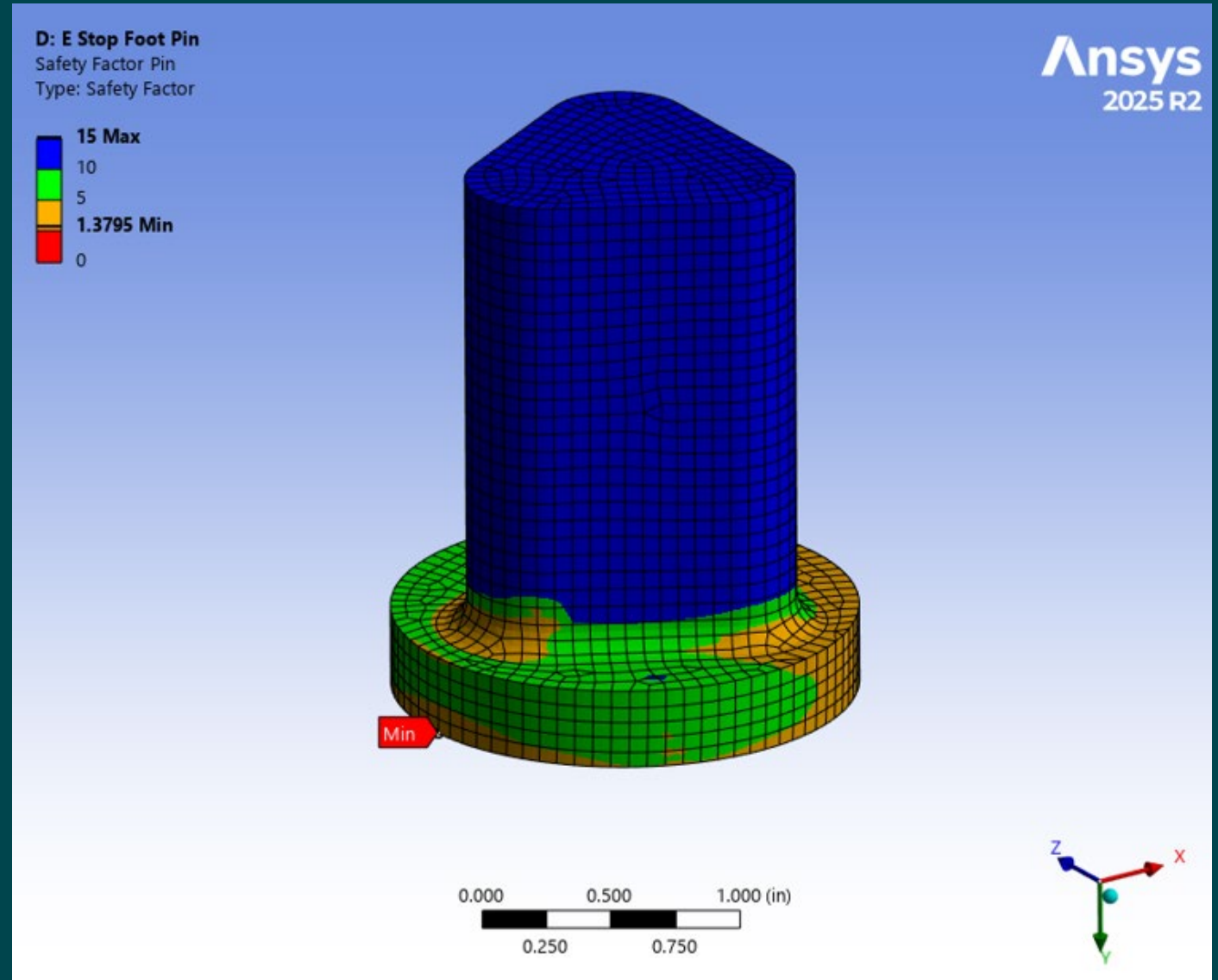
Segment Welds



- All Segment welds joints are 'stepped' which is similar to having a backing strip and no exposed weld root.
- This set up is like a prequalified CJP weld example from AWS (far left image).
- All welds are to be smoothed and polished during fabrication.
- Allows for the use of the same fatigue curves as the parent material.

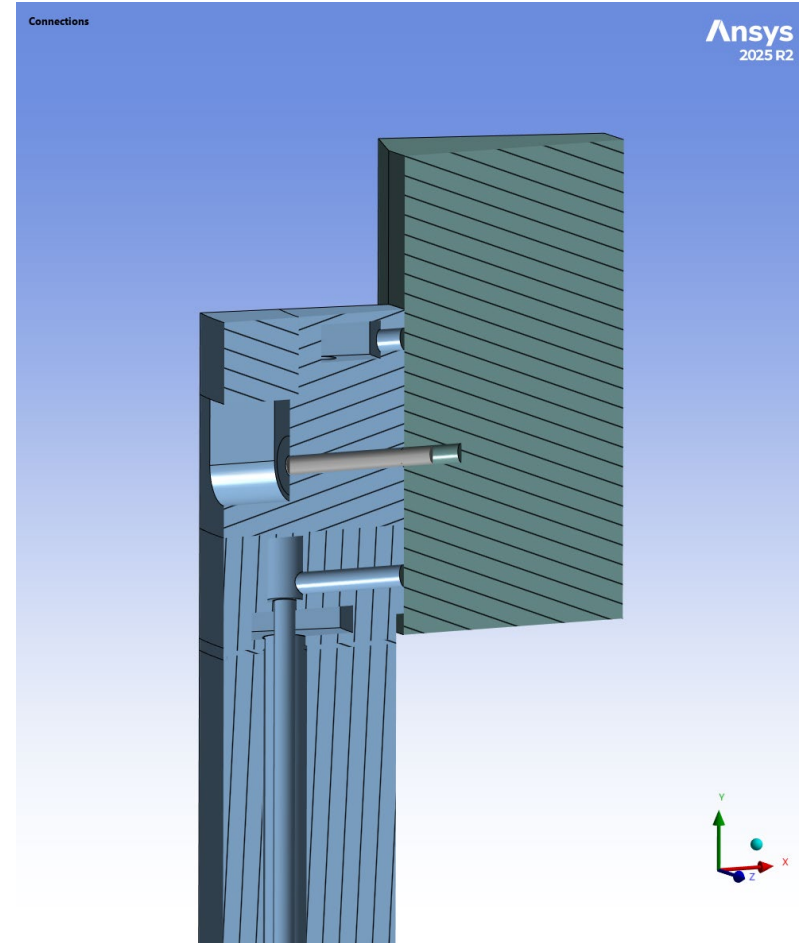
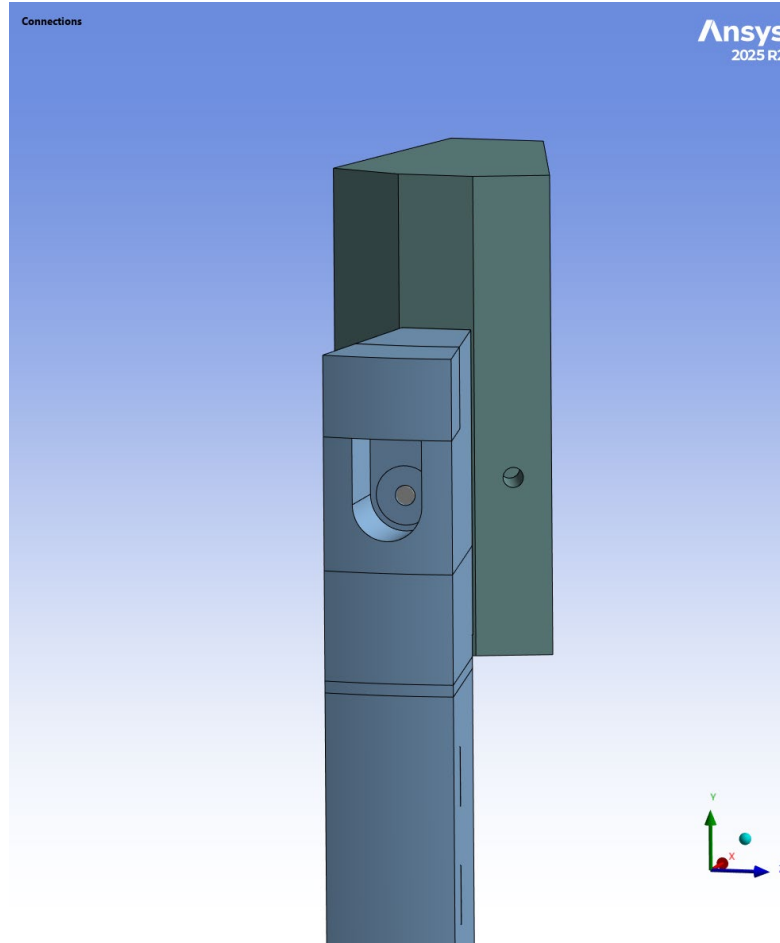
Segment Foot Pin

- Cyclic Safety Factor



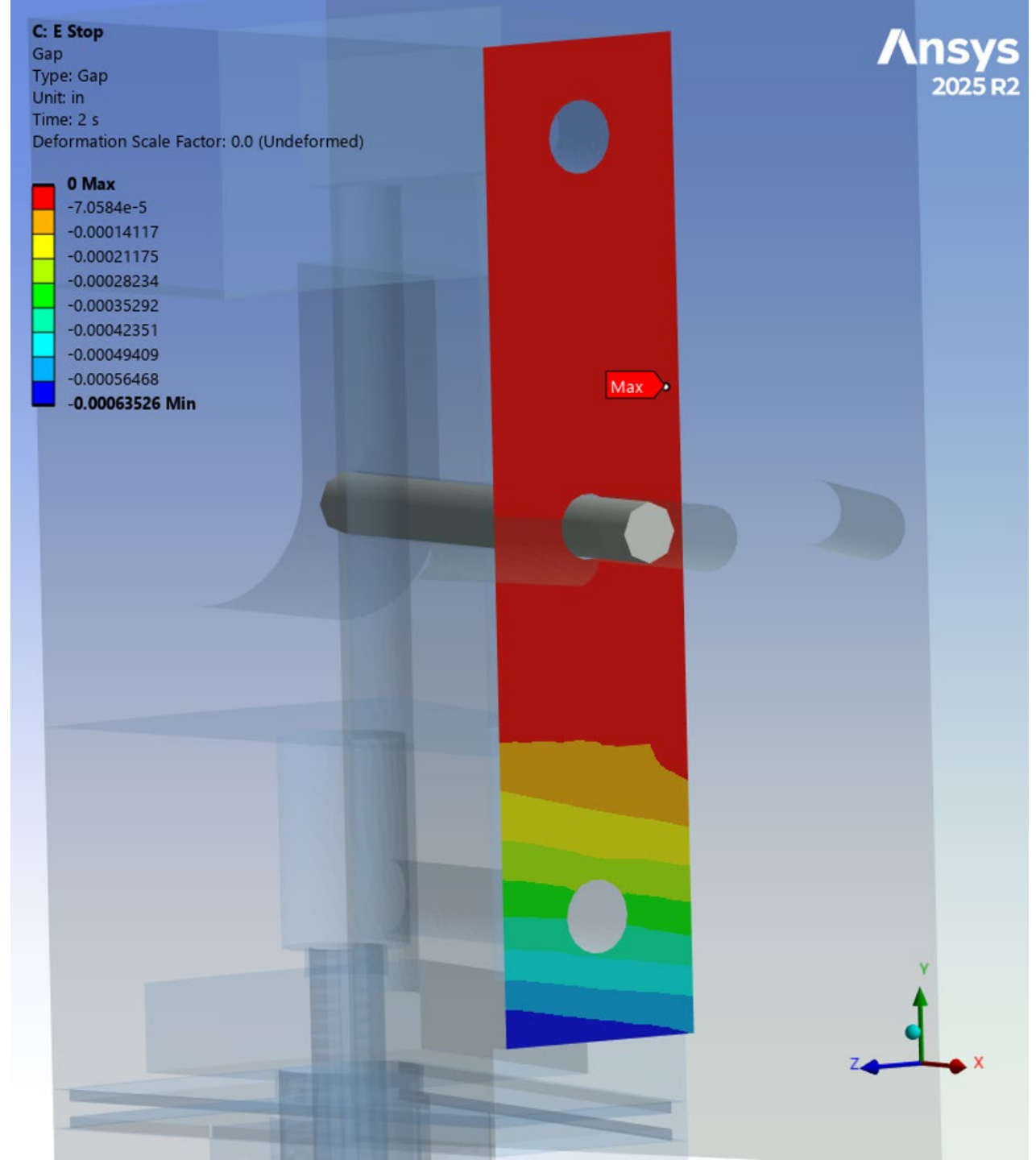
Segment Bolt Connection

- M16 Inconel 718 Bolt
- Preload applied

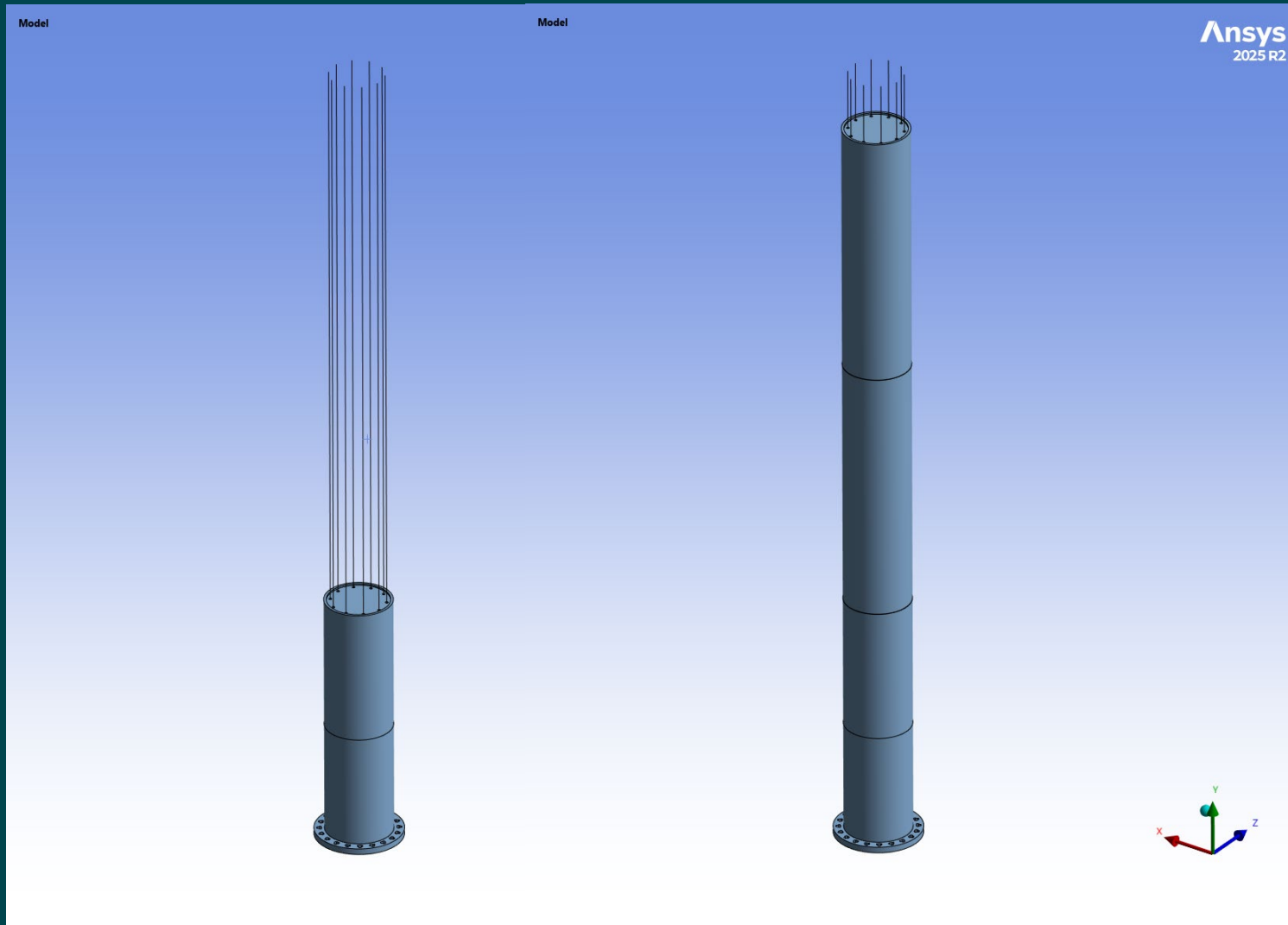


Segment Bolt Interface

- A contact plot of how the centripetal force (operational) causes the lower portion of the surface to pull away.



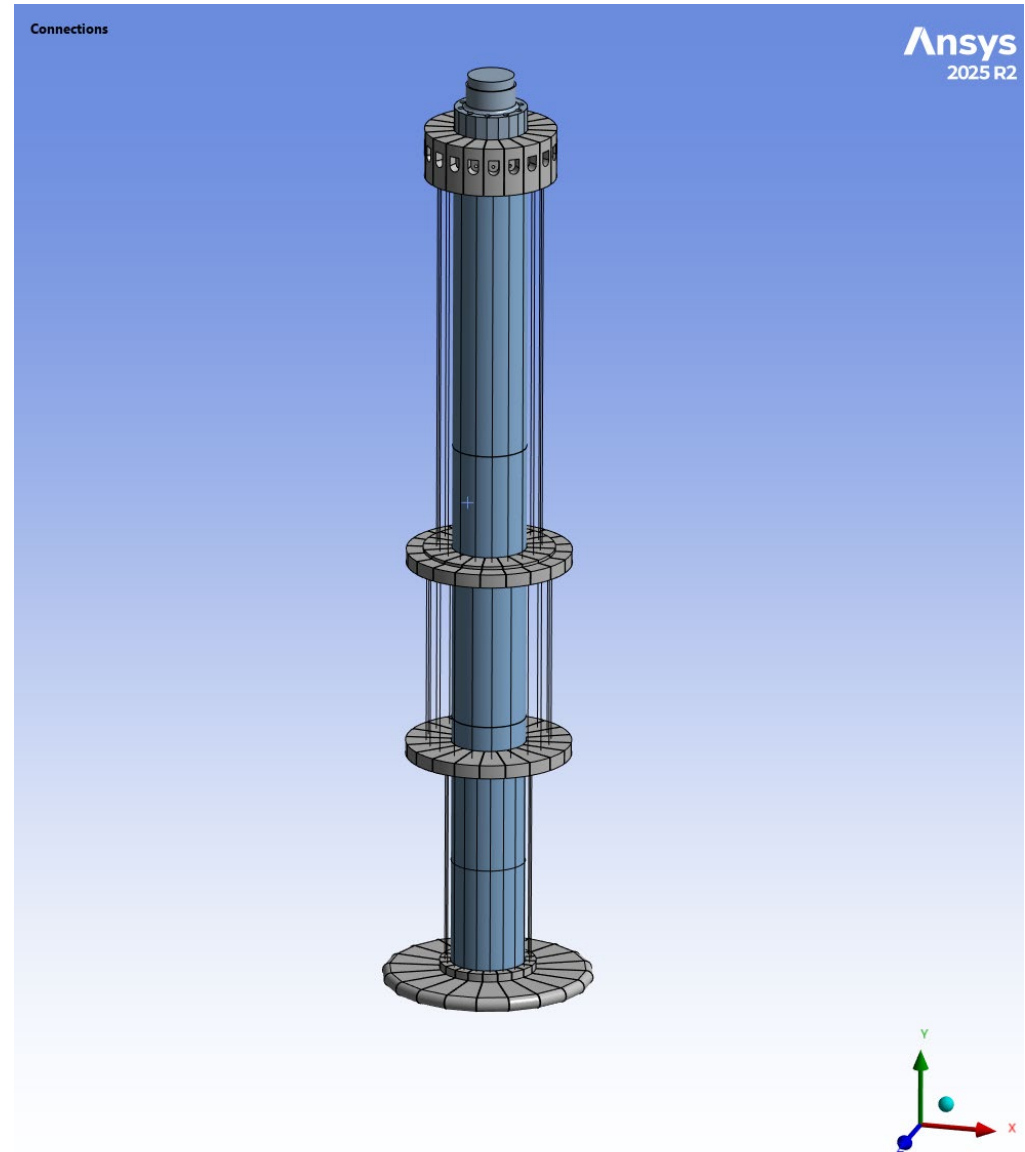
Shaft and Tie Rod Analysis



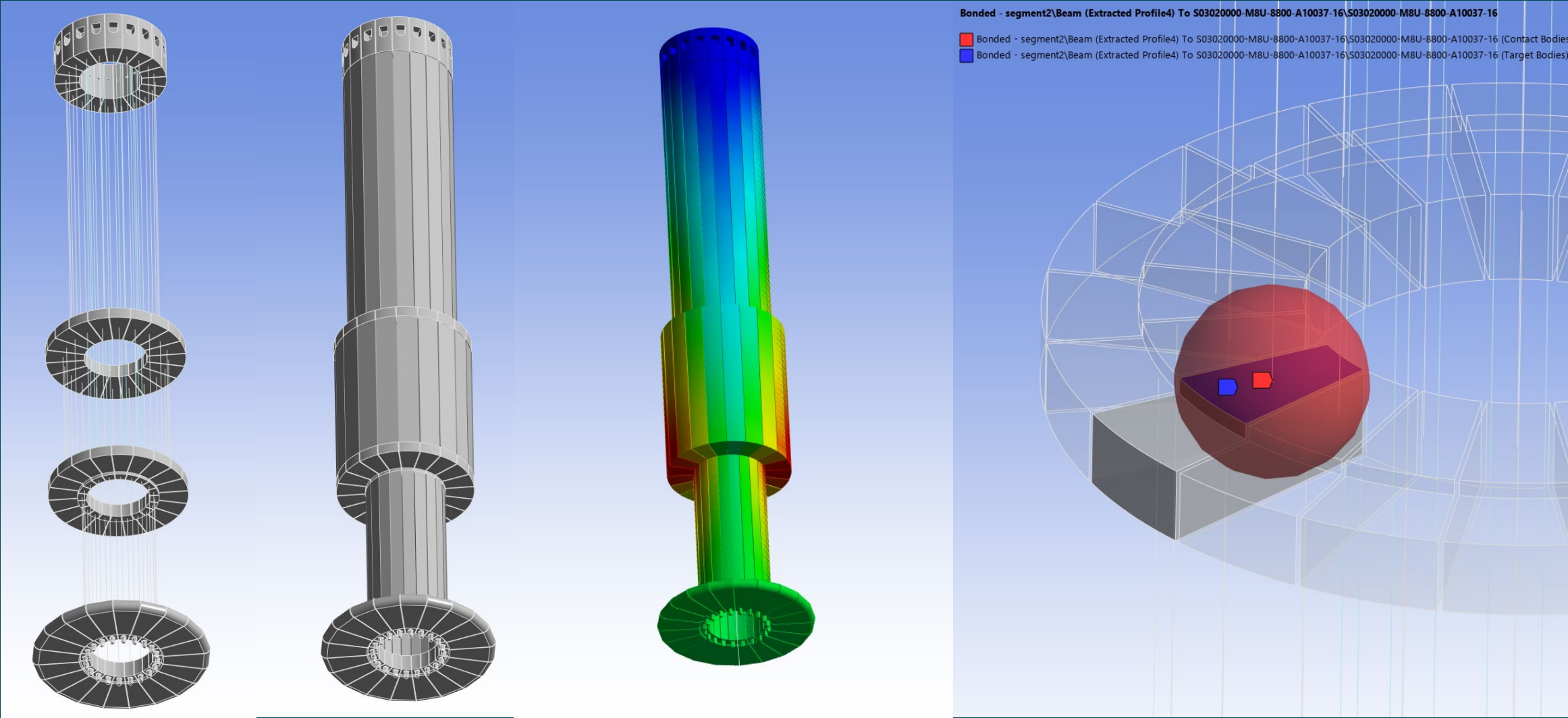
- Main focus is to check Tie Rod strength
- Verify no separation at the Shaft joints
- Inconel 718 Tie Rods
- 316L Stainless components
- Same ASME requirements

Connections:

- Shaft Interfaces have contact interfaces that allow separation
- Beam elements are used for the Tie Rods
- Simplified Segments are used



Simplified Segments



Applied Loads:

Time Step 1:

- Tie Rod Preload (24000lbf)
- Gravity

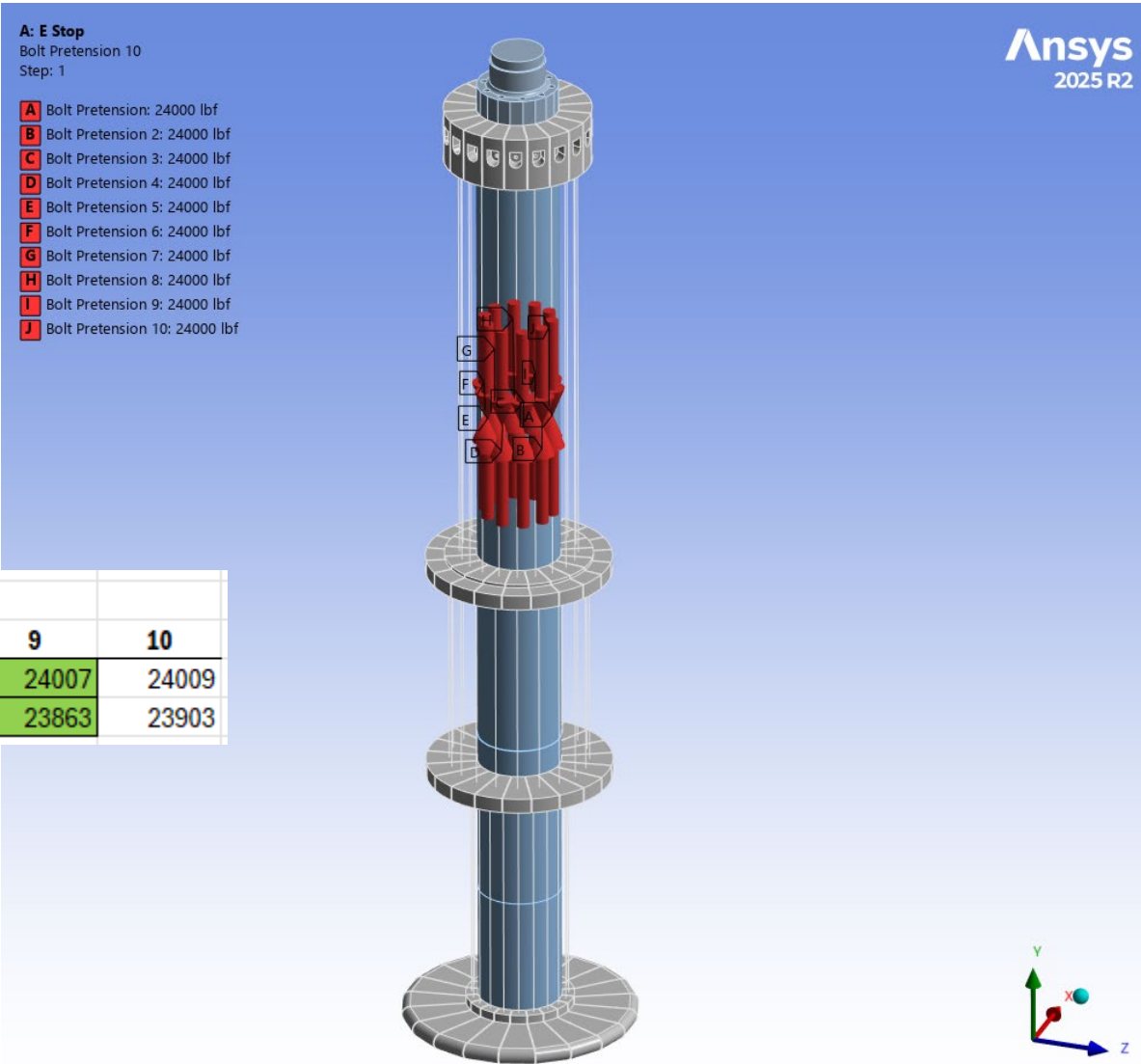
Time Step 2:

- Preload Locked
- Gravity
- Temperature
- Pressure
- Rotation
- Seismic*
- Displacement*

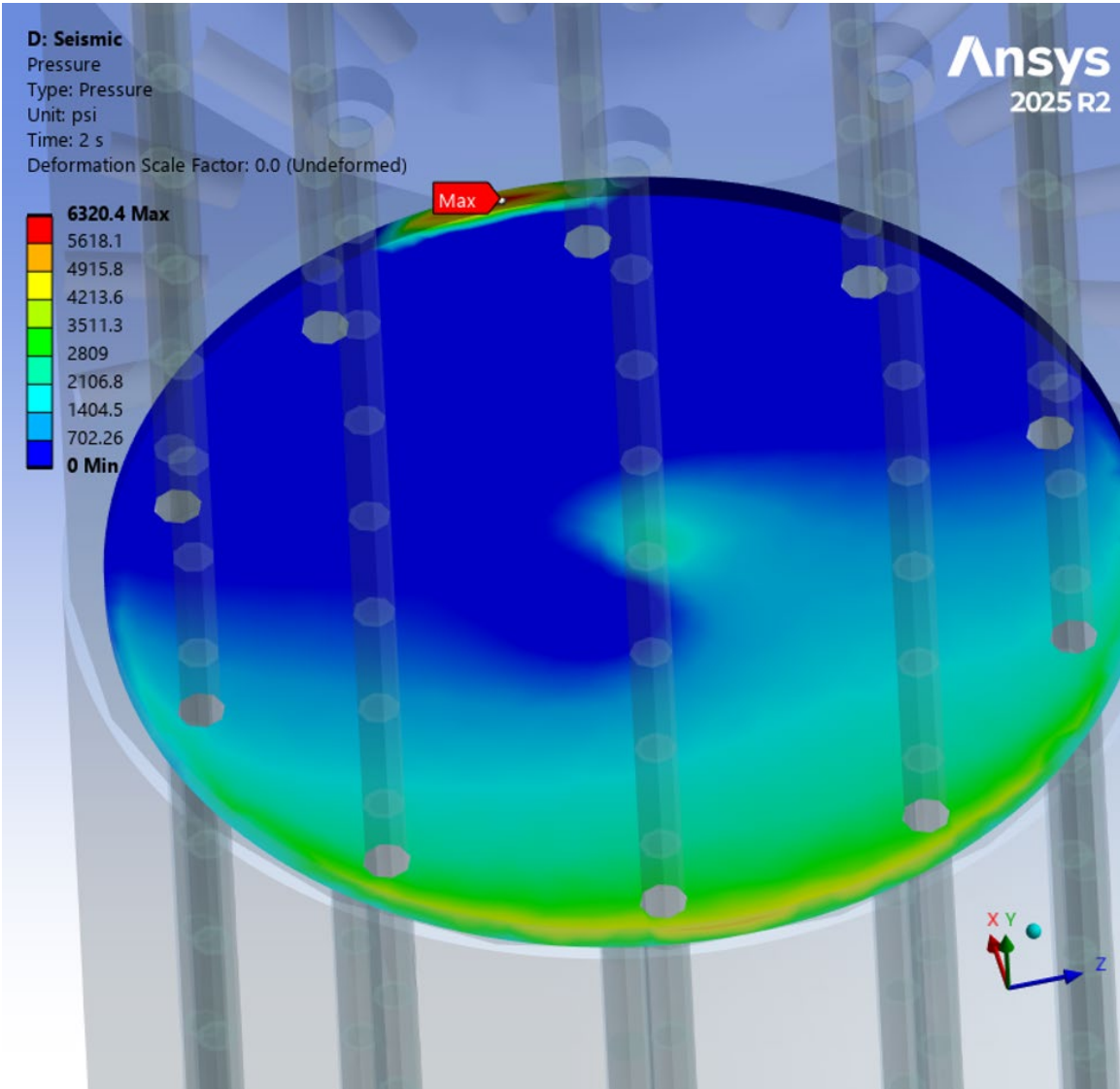
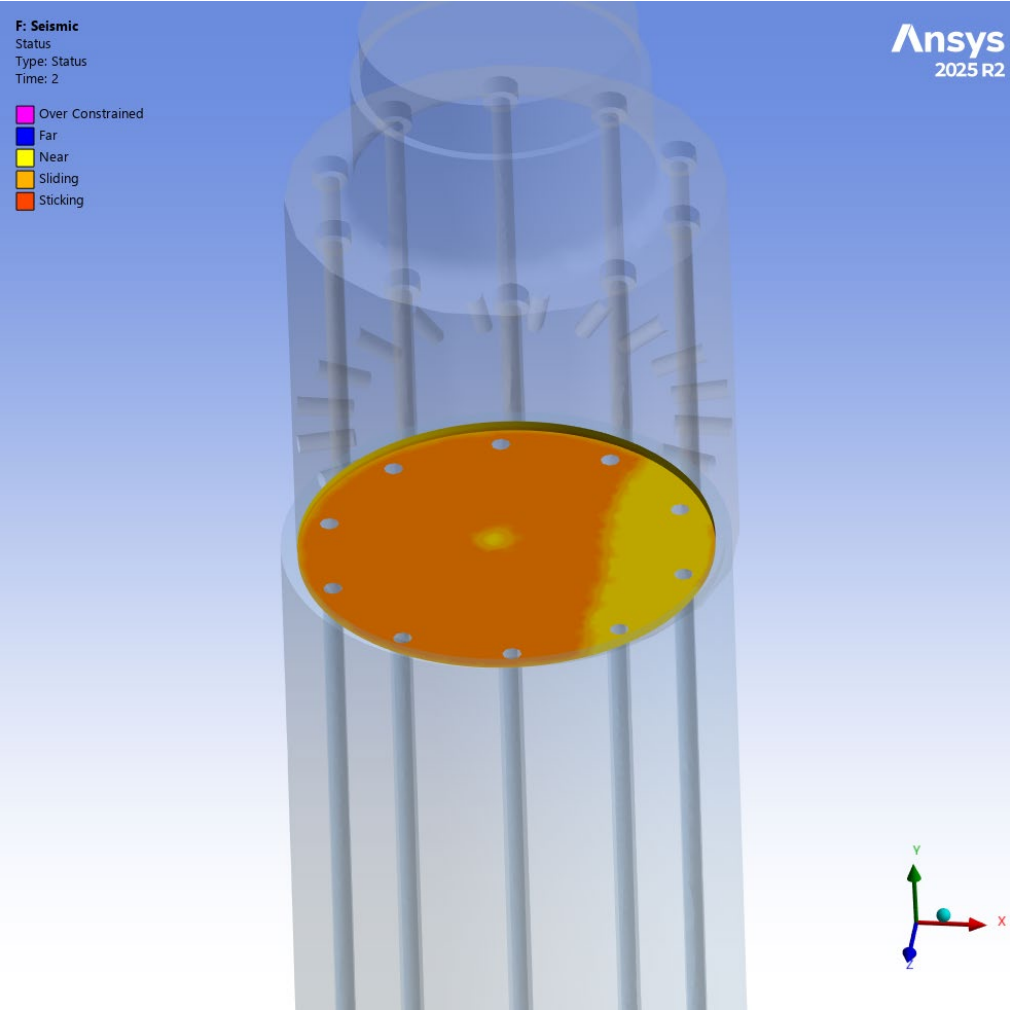
Tie Rod Preload

Compare Operational to Seismic Preload Values (lbf)

			-X						+X		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Operational	24010	24010	24008	24006	24004	24003	24003	24005	24007	24009	
Seismic	23981	24068	24129	24143	24103	24025	23938	23877	23863	23903	

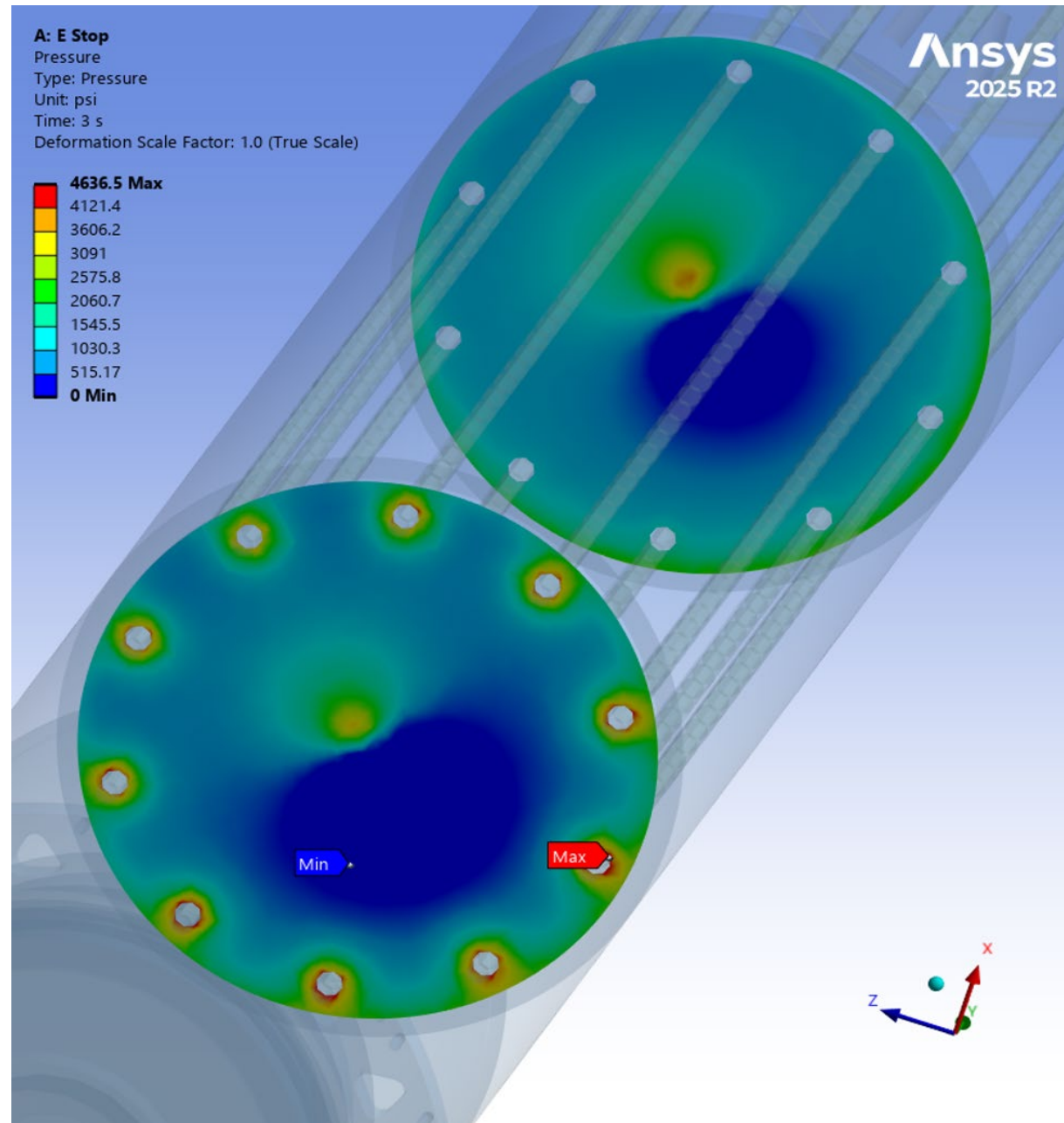


Shaft Contact Status



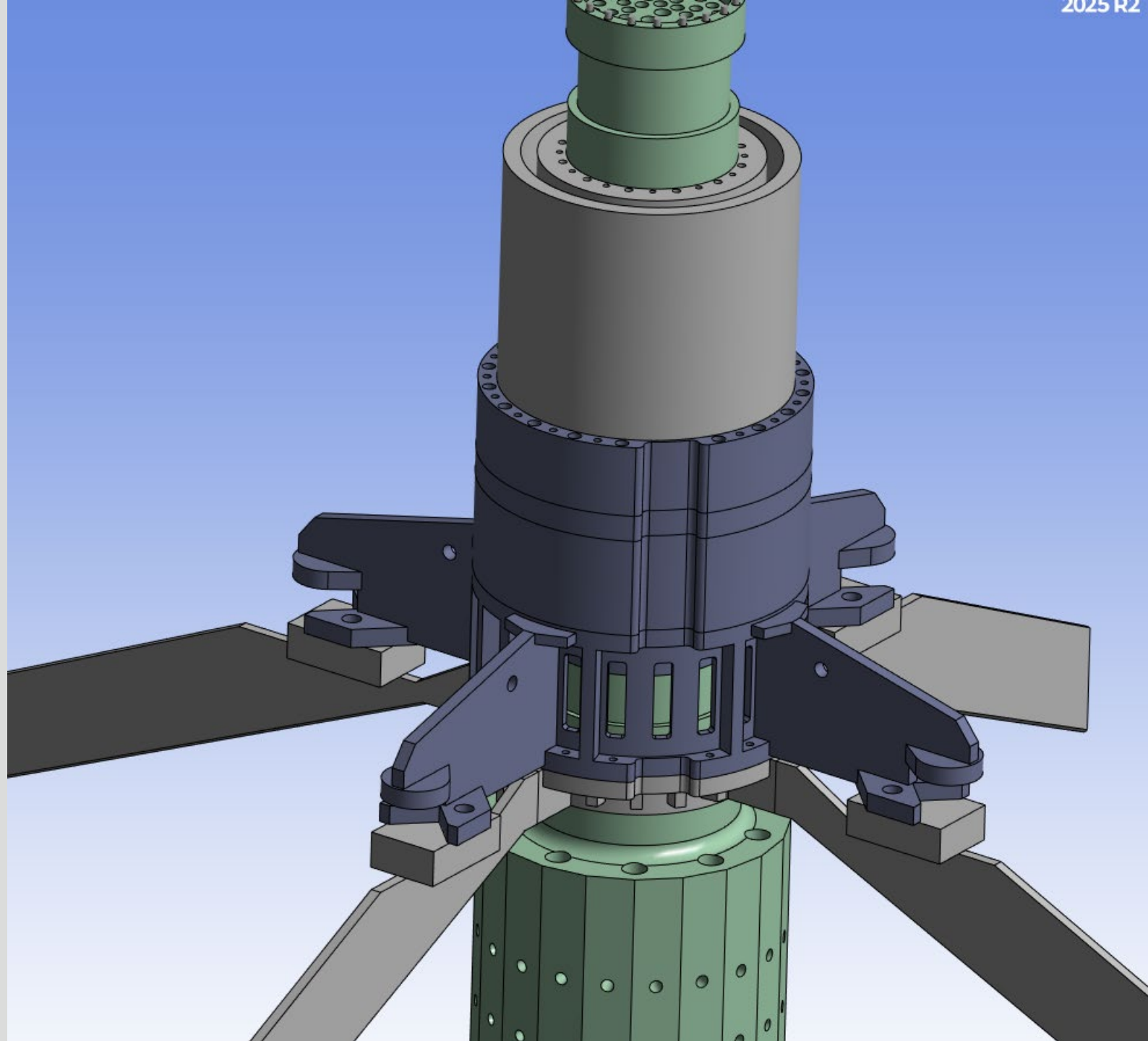
Shaft Contact Continued

- Lower Shaft Interfaces



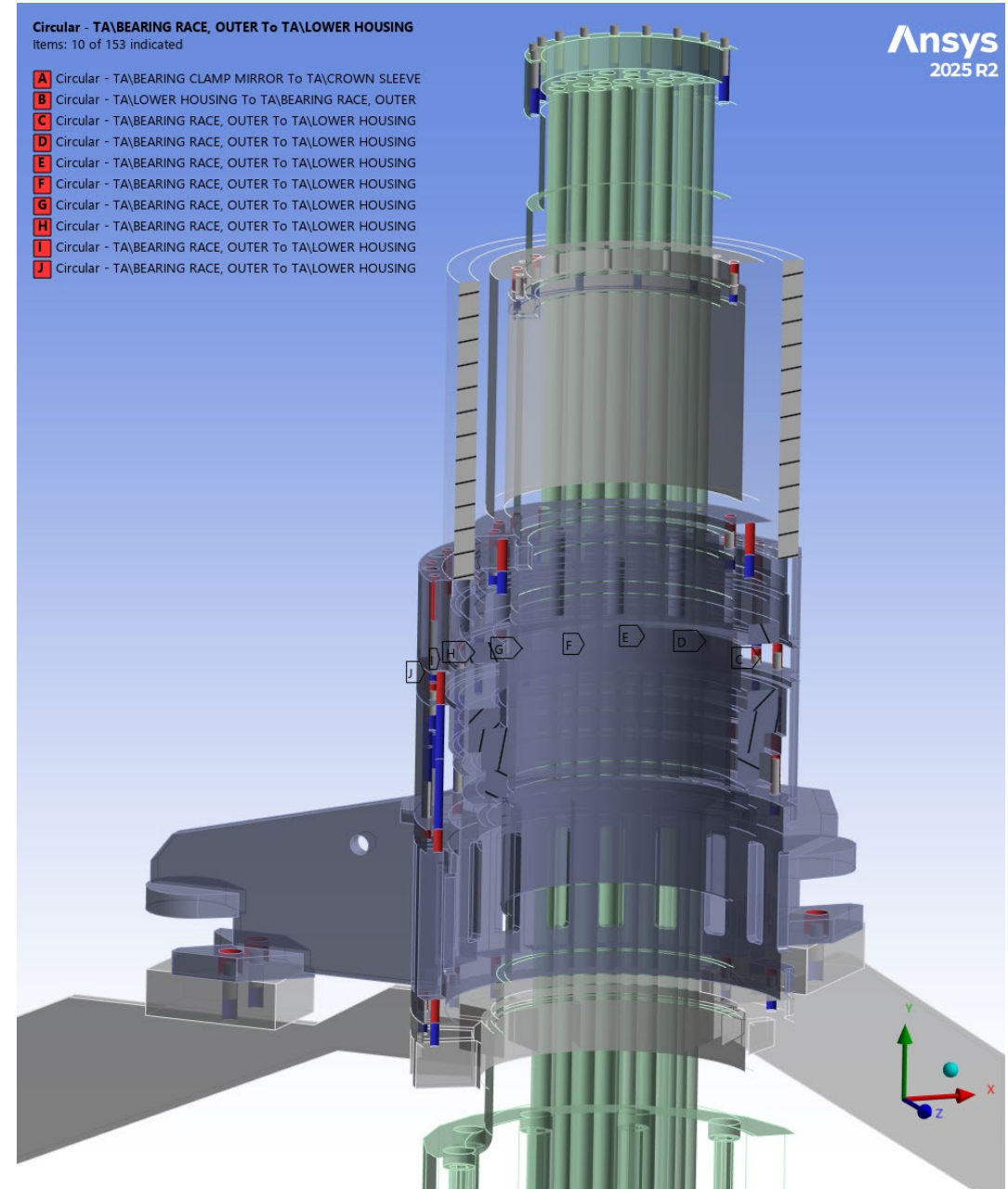
Crown and Drive Assembly

Analysis of Drive components
Contains most of the fasteners
No Temperature loads used



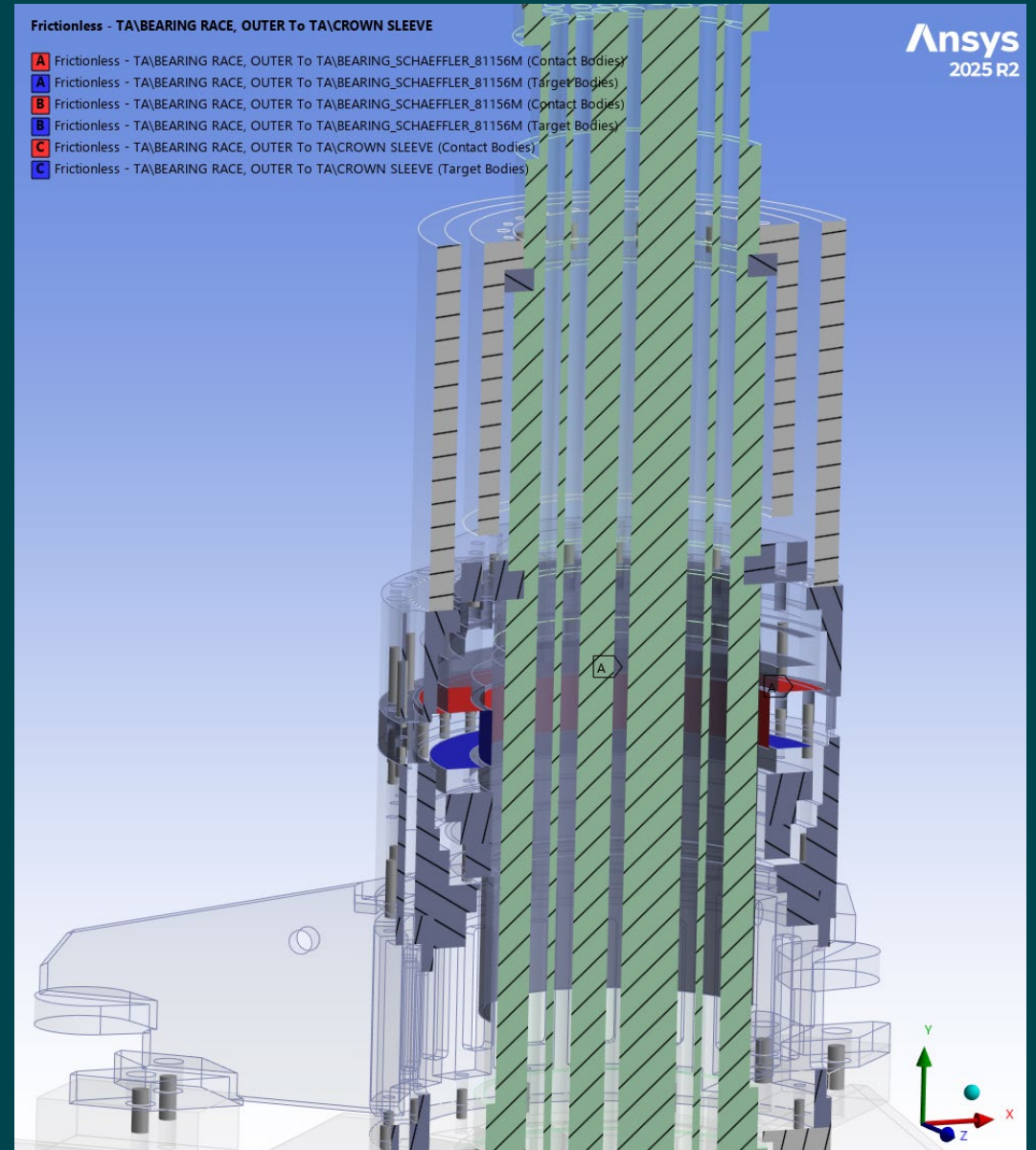
Fasteners

- All fasteners are beam connections
- No pretension used
- All fastener joints have a frictionless interface

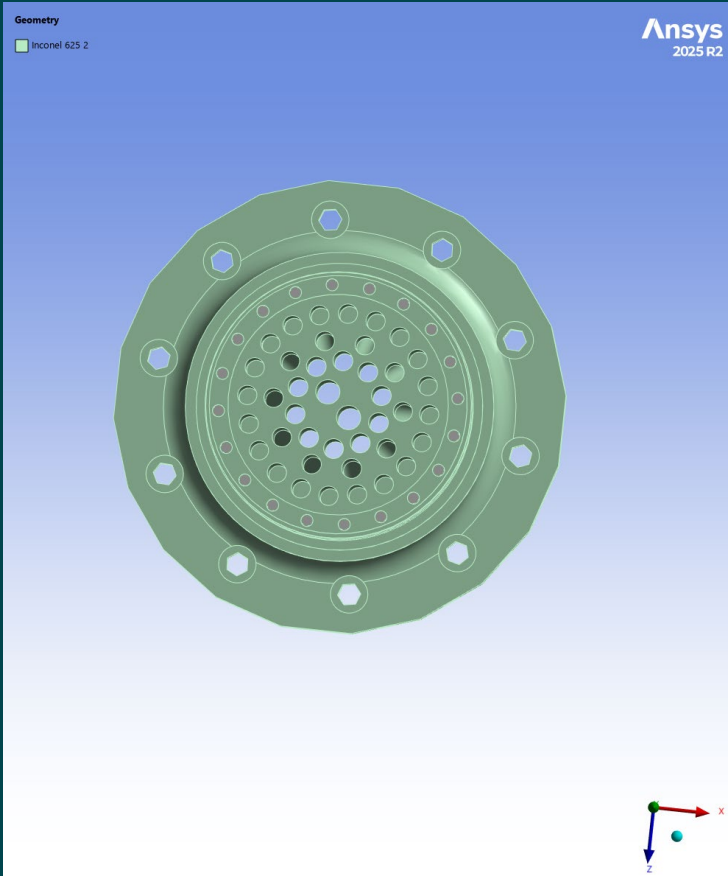
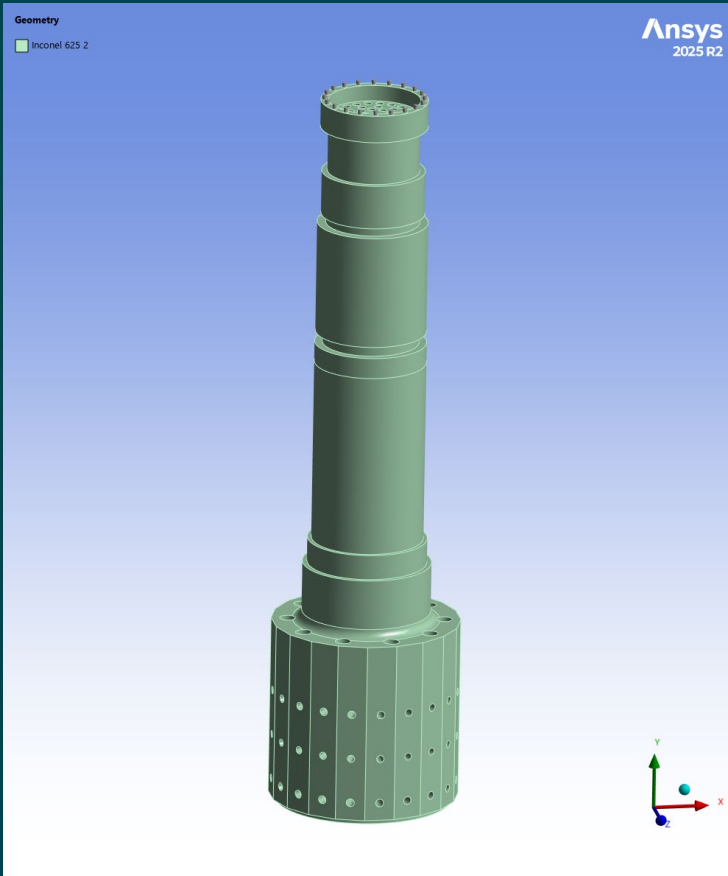
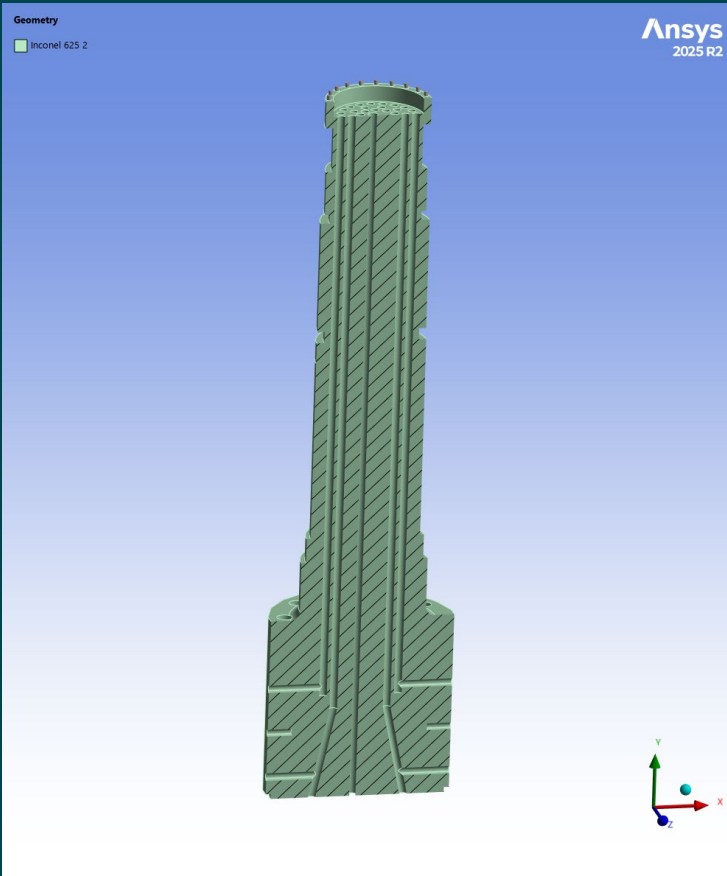


Bearing Interface

- Bearing surfaces are modeled as Frictionless

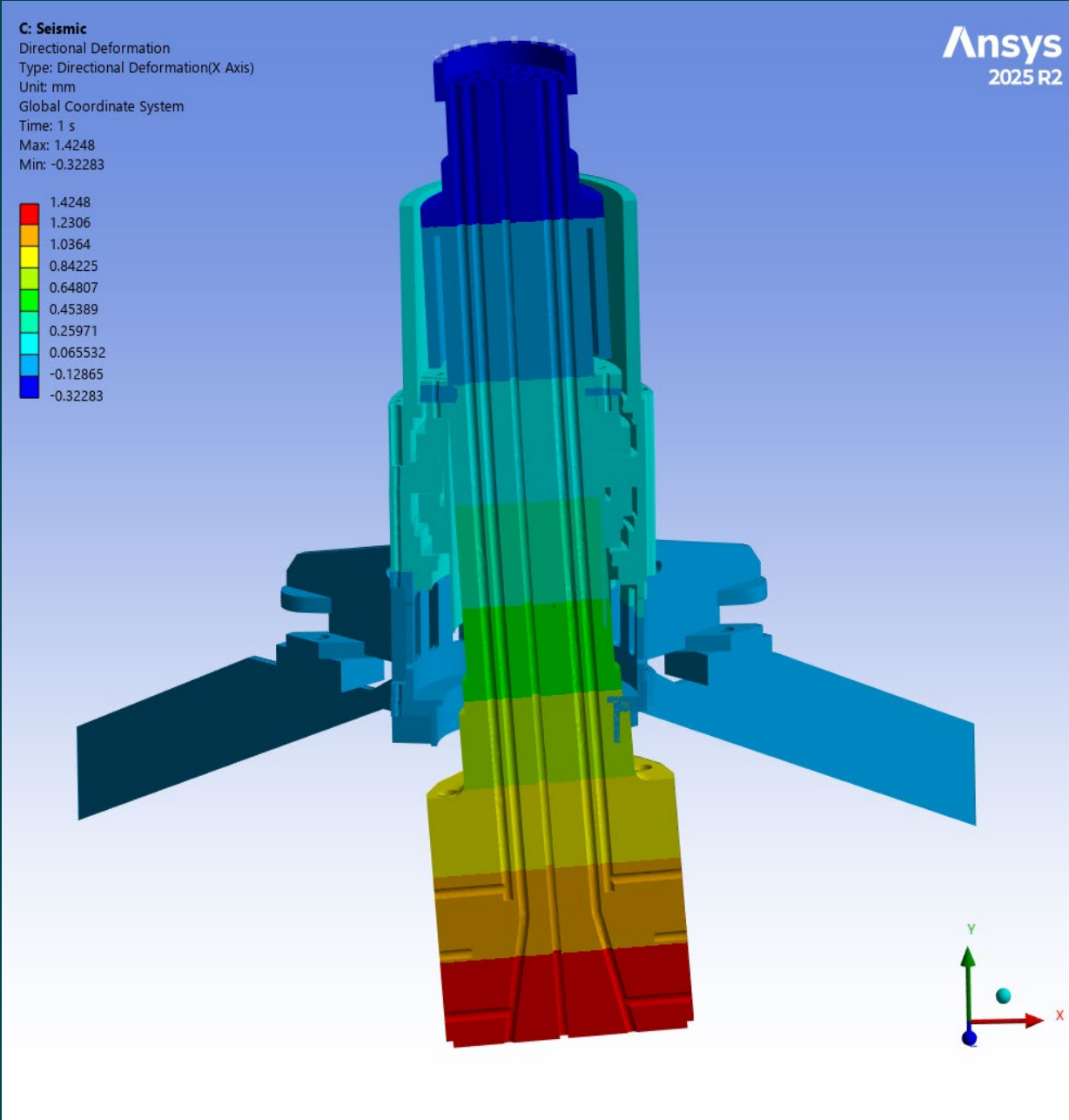


Crown



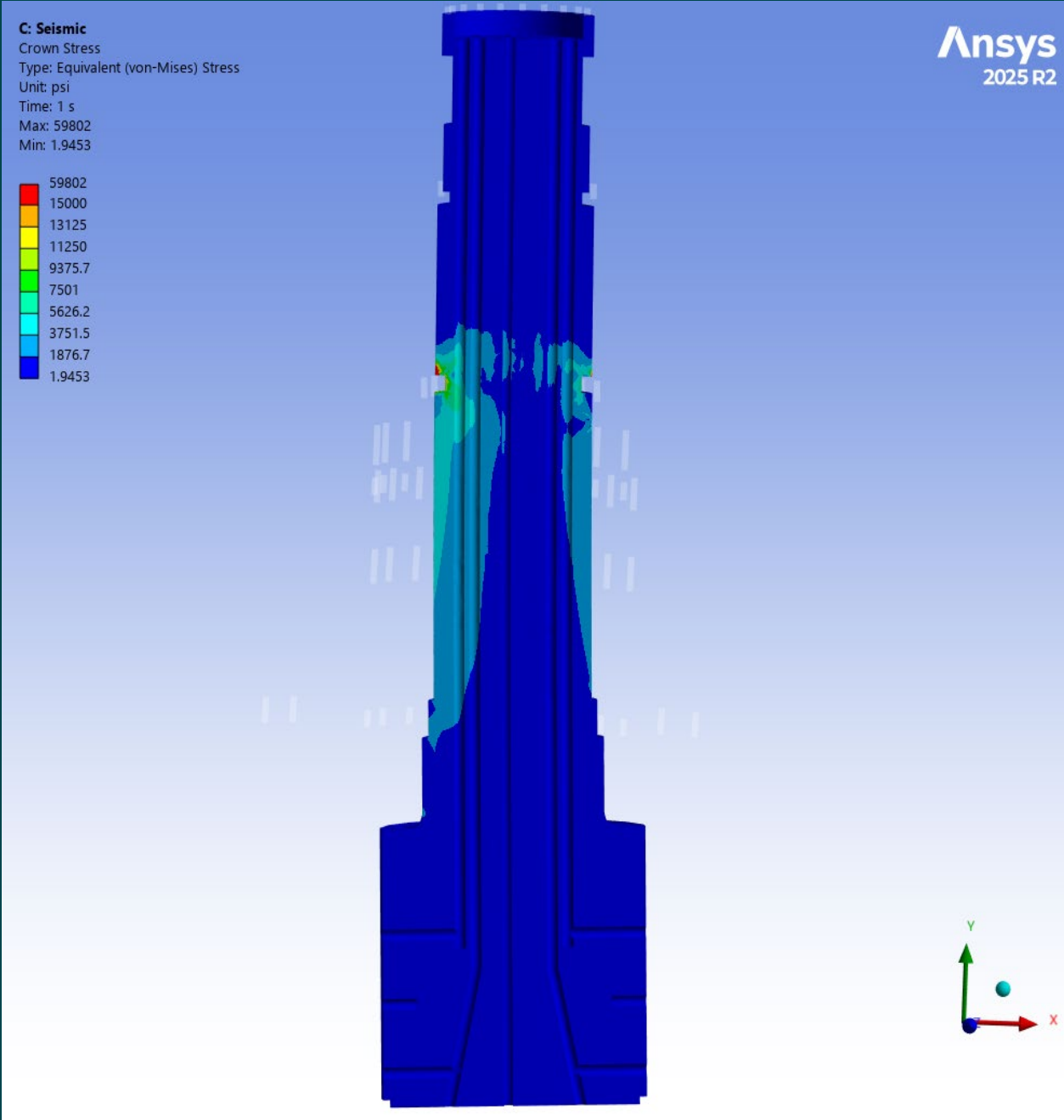
Crown Deflection: Seismic

- X Deflection



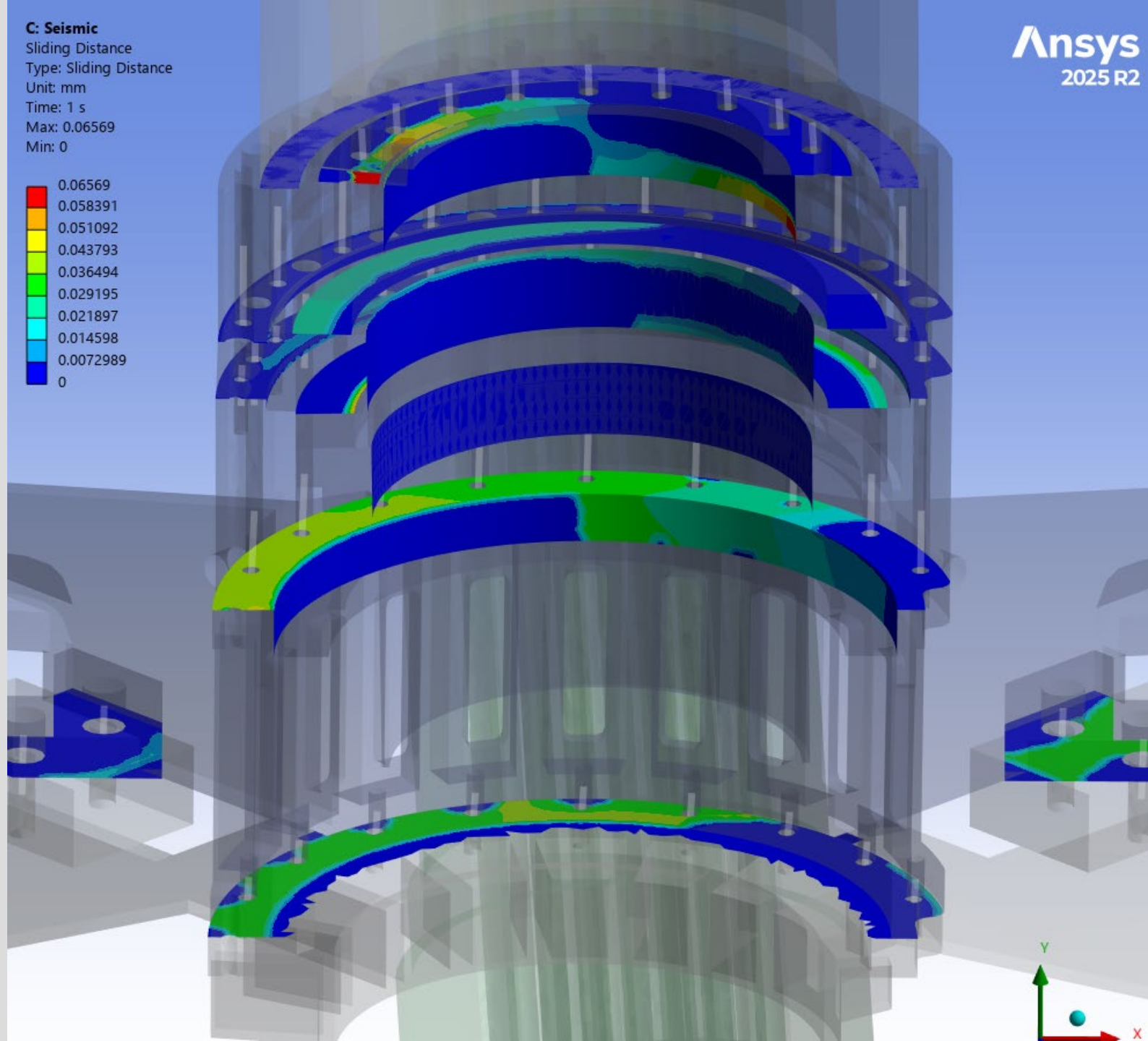
Crown Stress: Seismic

- Equivalent Stress



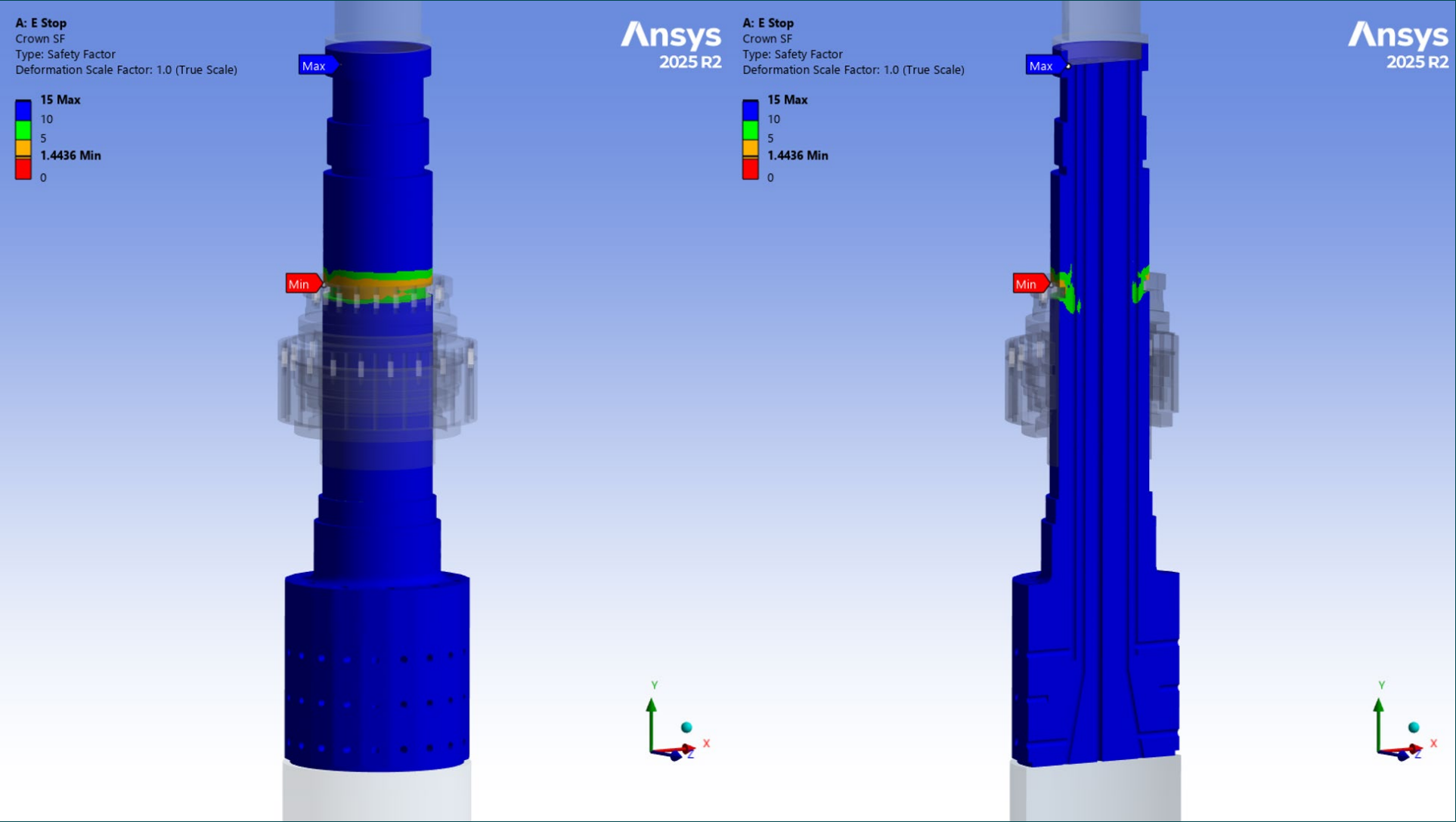
Contact Sliding: Seismic

- The stepped joints in the housing take most of the shear force and imparts very little to the fasteners.



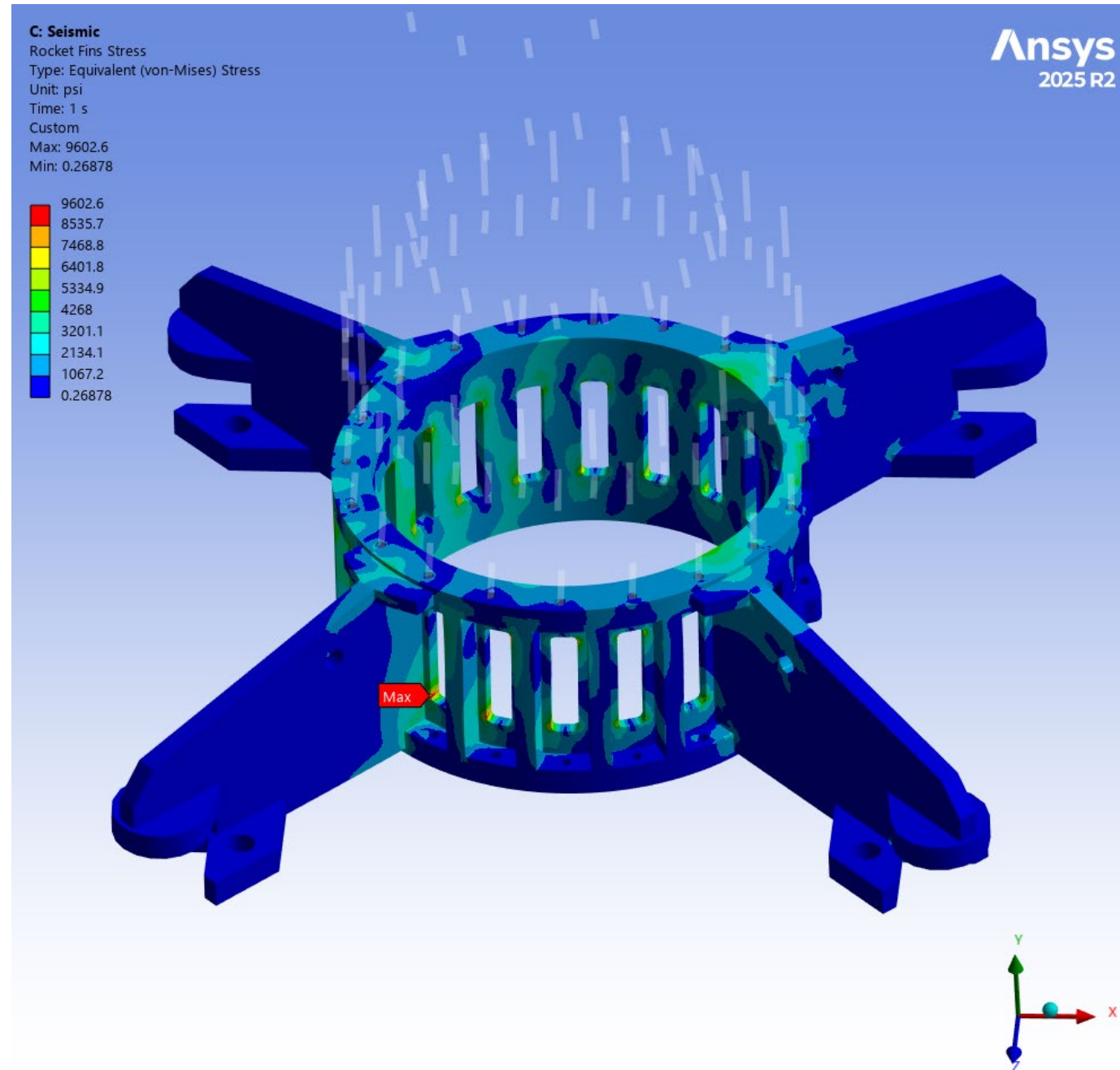
Crown Cyclic Load Results

- Fatigue Safety Factor



Rocket Fins: Seismic

- Equivalent Stress



Fastener Calcs

Tension and Shear

Example Calculation for Sleeve Fasteners

Allowable Tensile $F_n := 113 \text{ ksi}$ Allowable Shear $F_v := 68 \text{ ksi}$

$d := 10 \text{ mm}$ M10 x 1.5 Bolt

$$A_b := \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot d^2 = 0.122 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\Omega := 2.0$$

$$R_n := F_n \cdot A_b = 13756 \text{ lbf} \quad T_a := 401 \text{ lbf}$$

$$R_v := F_v \cdot A_b = 8278 \text{ lbf} \quad V_a := 128 \text{ lbf}$$

$$\left(\frac{\frac{T_a}{R_n}}{\left(\frac{\Omega}{\Omega} \right)} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\frac{V_a}{R_v}}{\left(\frac{\Omega}{\Omega} \right)} \right)^2 = 0.004$$

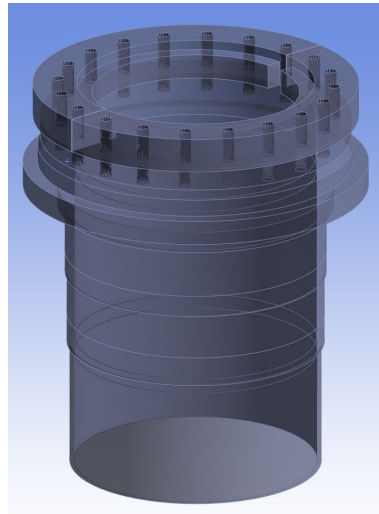
Thread Pullout

Crown Sleeve

$$P_{Sleeve} := \frac{\pi \cdot d_{M10} \cdot L_{e_Sleeve} \cdot F_{su_100CrMo73}}{3} = 22638 \text{ lbf}$$

$$T_a := 401 \text{ lbf}$$

$$\frac{T_a}{P_{Sleeve}} = 0.018$$



Fatigue

Allowable Fatigue

$$F_f := 38 \text{ ksi}$$

Applied Stress

$$F_a := \frac{T_a}{A_b} = 3294 \text{ psi}$$

Fatigue Margin

$$\frac{F_a}{F_f} = 0.09$$

Questions