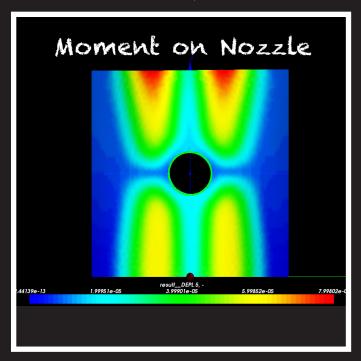
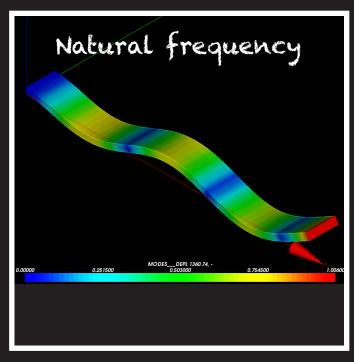
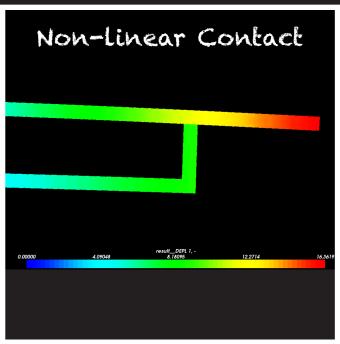
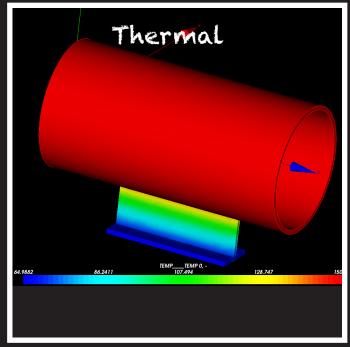
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Foreword

After the success I received by writing my first Book "Finite Element Analysis using Open Source Software", I received many email communications congratulating me and telling me how easy it was to use my book. Readers had found an easy to use, easy to read and easy to follow documentation for Open Source Software that can be used for Finite Element analysis. Some said that they completed the entire book with the exercise within one single weekend and I doubt if they had taken any sleep in between.

The users of my book were fresh graduates from the university who knew the fundamentals and had been using proprietor software in their university and now as they were out of university, they wanted to use something that doesn't hurt their hip pocket. Others were seasoned professionals who knew other proprietary software but wanted to know how to perform FEA using Open Source Software.

This book starts with updated examples in version 11.x for Code_Aster from previous book. It then goes on and adds on advanced analysis.

This book is written for

Those who have a passion for learning Open Source software, particularly CAD and FEA software. This book is written for those who are new to software like Salome and Code_Aster.

If you are having trouble understanding where to start with Salome and Code_Aster, this book is written for you. If you are having troubles understanding the computer translated Code_Aster User Documents (which are rich in information), this book is written for you. If you want easy reference to 75% of FEA problems that are encountered by engineers in day to day life and want to do that by Open Source Software, this book is written for you.

This book is for those who don't want to waste their time in finding tutorials online and trying to make logical and sequential sense. This book starts with a very basic introduction of what to do to perform FE Analysis, and then, with each new Chapter, it introduces new concepts in an easy to understand format. If you want to learn how to do FE Analysis with Open Source software in a week's time, than this book is for you.

This book is not written for

If you are advanced user of Salome and Code_Aster and after reading the Table of Content you can say to yourself that "the information covered in this book is something that I already know", this book is not for you.

This book is also not written for someone who does not know what Finite Element Analysis is. FE Analysis, as a fundamental, should be known to the user of this book.

If you are a beginner, it is advised that you purchase our first book "Finite Element Analysis with Open Source Software" where you will be able to gain more insights into the fundamental analysis that can be done with Salome-Meca and Code_Aster.

Once you are familiar with those concepts, this book will be easy to follow. Some of the chapters in this book rely on the information given in the first book. Though it is not necessary, it is recommended to complete the first book before you start with this one.

What software would you need to follow through

Operating System used:

1. Ubuntu 12.04

Software used for this book are

- 1. Salome-Meca version 2013.2
- 2. Code Aster version 11.3
- 3. Efficient version 0.1.1

All of the above software (except latest version of Efficient) are available in CAELinux 2013 DVD so if you have installed it, don't worry about any more installations. If you want to use latest software, install the above versions or latest versions of these software on your computer. Please note that if you install a software that is of higher version than that mentioned above, the screenshots may differ, but the fundamental concepts remain the same.

What are the steps in Finite Element Analysis

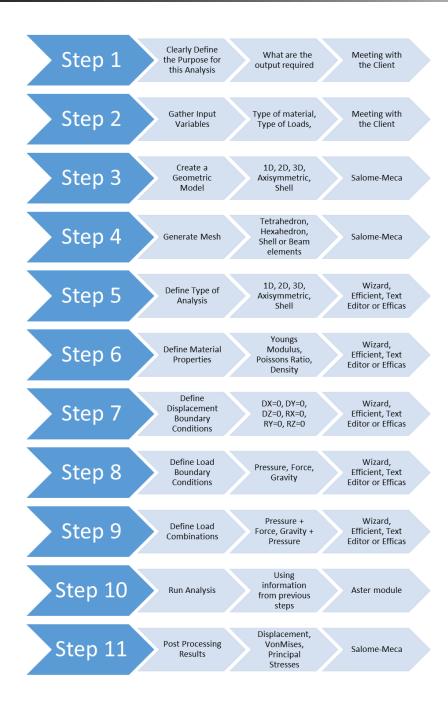
This book does not teach you what Finite Element Analysis is. You are nearly ready if you are familiar with the general form of Hook's law which states that "For small deformations of the object, the amount of deformation / displacement (Δx) is directly proportional to the deforming force or load (F)". The constant of proportionality in the above equation is the stiffness (k) of the object.

Generally the stiffness of the object is known due to the fact that we would have its shape and material properties as a given. If not, Either we would be optimising its shape by finding stresses generated in the object due to applied loads (e.g. objective of the study can be "optimise web thickness of gussets or optimise thickness of a pressure vessel Nozzle saddle"), or we would be checking which material is most suitable for the given object (e.g. objective of the study can be "Can Aluminium alloy be used to reduce the weight of the object?"). So stiffness "k" would be fixed for the given analysis based on shape and material selected.

The next step is boundary conditions. Any given object has to be sufficiently supported in the real world and FEA will emulate these supports, either there is a fixed support (e.g. bolted or welded joint), sliding support (e.g. shaft in hub or pipe shoe on structural steel). By applying these boundary conditions of supports, we are providing / fixing values of displacement. Then there would be forces applied to the object, either by gravity (self-weight) or by pressure applied on a surface or force applied on the object. By adding these boundary conditions of loads, we are providing / fixing values of force / load.

After all of the above is given to Code Aster (FE analysis software of choice for this book), it tries to solve the equation which will be in matrix form with the given input values of displacement and forces and obtain displacement for the entire object. These displacements (Strains) are converted to Stresses (Stress = Strain multiplied by Young's Modulus of the material, for elastic case) and are displayed as a coloured model or exported as a table.

Figure on the next page shows general steps to perform FEA.



In the coming chapters of this book, we will be using above philosophy to carry out Finite Element Analysis. Interpretation of results will be left to the reader.

Study Cases

After Esha learnt how to perform FEA using Open Source Software like Salome-Meca and Code_Aster, she started her professional career in the same firm that she did her internship. She was happy that John was her mentor all the way long. Esha started gaining more experience with Linear Static Finite Element Analysis, and with more experience she needed less reliance on John's guidance. Esha started doing her FE Analysis with more confidence.

After several months, John caught up with Esha to find out how she was feeling regarding the use of Open Source Software for Finite Element Analysis. Esha was very excited to tell John all about her experiences while they met for coffee. Then Esha told John that every now and then a different type of FE Analysis comes to her for which she is not ready yet. She has to pass them to her other colleagues as she is not feeling confident and she is feeling a bit lost. As usual John was listening to her words carefully and asked her if he could help. Esha was waiting for John to say that and she listed the analysis which she felt were a bit tough for her to do.

Parametric Modelling in Salome for Geometry and Mesh generation

Esha said that John had taught her how to "Dump the study" so that if she wants to recreate the geometry and mesh, it becomes easy for her. But what if she wants to change some of the parameters. What if Esha wants to generate geometry of the Pressure Vessel and Nozzle junction with different PV Diameter and Nozzle Diameter? What if she wants to change the mesh density in the PV Shell thickness or in the Nozzle thickness?

Combining element types in a single FE Analysis

Esha said that sometimes the models are too big and it would really help her if she could combine 3D elements with shell elements and Beam elements. This would make FE Analysis run faster without compromising her results. Was there a way to do this in Salome and Code_Aster?

Non Linear Material Analysis

Esha said that what John taught her in last book in Chapter 9 for checking against Allowable stress of the material was sufficient at that time, but she wanted to know if she could put the Graph of the Material Properties in Salome or Code-Aster and if the Analysis could take care of checking when the Allowable stress has been reached and stop the analysis?

Contact FE analysis

Esha said that she was happy to perform Assembly FE Analysis, but sometimes there is a requirement where she needs a gap between two parts and that load can only be translated once there is contact between surfaces. Was there a way to do it in Code_Aster?

Modal Analysis

Sometimes in her career, Esha had come across a FE problem where she needed to find the Natural frequencies of a given shape of the object. Esha asked John, if it was possible in Code Aster to find out the Natural frequencies of

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the object by performing Modal Analysis?

Thermal Analysis

Esha remembered that once she was asked if there was a way to perform Thermal analysis in Code_Aster. As Esha didn't know, she had to again pass it along to her colleague. Is there a way to conduct Thermal Analysis in Code Aster?

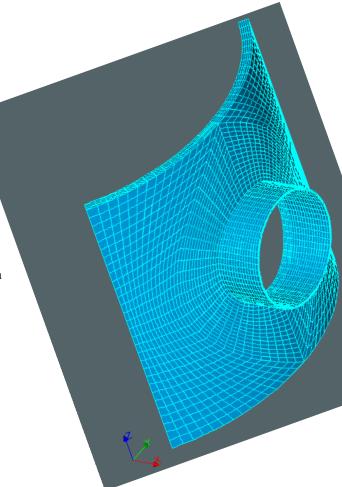
These were some of the example problems that she had the opportunity to do but was not able to do them due to her limited knowledge. There were some more problems that she wanted to discuss with John but first she wanted to know if her existing problems can be solved.

John told Esha that both Salome and Code_Aster were capable of conducting the analysis she asked for and much more.

Chapter 1 - Case12

Parametric Modelling of a Pressure Vessel Geometry

John was glad that Esha asked for help when she needed. John said that first he will show Esha, how to perform a Parametric Modelling of the same Pressure Vessel Geometry that they created in Chapter 9 / Case 9 of previous book. This time Esha was the client as she had a specific request and John was the Engineer.



Step 1: Description of the problem

John asked Esha, what the exact outcome that Esha was looking for was. Esha said that in previous book in Chapter 9 John had showed her how to save a Python file from which she could generate the geometry again and again. But editing that file was time consuming and sometimes she made a mistake in entering the data and was confused in looking through series of lines of Python in the ".py" file. She wanted to know if there was an easy way in which she could just enter the values of the Parameters and Salome could do the modelling and meshing by itself.

John said that Salome indeed was very powerful and the request that Esha made was easily achievable in Salome. John told Esha that there are two methods in which the request that Esha has made can be accomplished. One method is to edit the ".py" file manually, enter additional parameters and use them in the file to generate geometry and mesh it. The second method was to use something called "Notebook" in Salome that stores parameters and which can be edited. John will show Esha both of this methods.

Step 2: Input values for the FE analysis

Dimensions of the Pressure Vessel are similar to the previous book Chapter 9.

ID of Cylindrical shell of PV: 2000mm (2m)

Thickness of Cylindrical shell of PV: 10mm (0.01m)

Half Length of Cylindrical shell of PV: 1500mm (1.5m)

Dimensions of the Nozzle are

ID of the Nozzle: 300mm (0.3m)

Thickness of the Nozzle: 10mm (0.01m)

Projection of Nozzle: 300mm (0.3m)

Step 3: Parametric Modelling by direct editing of .py file

John copied Python file "Case9.py" from Case9 folder and saved it as "Case12.py" in a separate folder named Case12.

Then John double clicked the file to open it. He told Esha that each and every line in this file is either a code that tells Salome about the geometry and mesh or is a comment. Then he scrolled down the file till he could see the following code.

```
# -*- coding: iso-8859-1 -*-
###
###
This file is generated automatically by SALOME v6.3.0 with dump python functionality
###
```

Just below the above statements we will write our code for making this file do parametric modelling. This code can be written anywhere in the file, but as these lines of code are for initialising variables that store information the will be used in modelling they should be initialised before the values are used.

Python code is really easy and if you have done programming with any other language, you will feel Python to be a fun and easy language.

Things to remember in Python language:

- 1. You don't need to end the statement with a semi-colon ";"
- 2. Python ends the statement when "Enter" (Carriage Return / Line Feed) is encountered
- 3. If you are initialising a variable, Variable Name will be on the left side of the = sign and value will be on the right side
- 4. Mathematical operations have regular meaning and precedence
- 5. Everything after "#" will be considered as a comment

With this in mind let's add variables that will hold information for Geometry and Mesh.

Add the following lines:

```
##########################
#Parameters for Geometry#
#########################
#Pressure Vessel Outside Radius
PV OR = 1010
#Pressure Vessel Inside Radius
PV IR = 1000
#Pressure Vessel Height
PV Height = 1500
#Nozzle Outside Radius
Nozz OR = 160
#Nozzle Inside Radius
Nozz IR = 150
#Nozzle Protrusion Length
Nozz Protrusion = 200
#Height of Cylinder for Nozzle Construction
Nozz Len = PV OR + Nozz Protrusion
```

After adding the parameters that will be used in the creation of geometry and mesh, lets add these in the python file.

Find the lines shown below and enter the parameters defined earlier in their respective locations. Parameters entered manually are shown with Red colour.

```
Cyl PV OD = geompy.MakeCylinderRH(PV OR, PV Height)
Cyl PV ID = geompy.MakeCylinderRH(PV IR, PV Height)
Cyl Noz OD = geompy.MakeCylinderRH(Nozz OR, Nozz Len)
Cyl Noz ID = geompy.MakeCylinderRH(Nozz IR, Nozz Len)
Vx = geompy.MakeVectorDXDYDZ(1, 0, 0)
Vy = geompy.MakeVectorDXDYDZ(0, 1, 0)
Vz = geompy.MakeVectorDXDYDZ(0, 0, 1)
geompy.Rotate(Cyl Noz OD, Vy, 90*math.pi/180.0)
geompy.Rotate(Cyl Noz ID, Vy, 90*math.pi/180.0)
geompy.TranslateDXDYDZ(Cyl Noz OD, 0, 0, PV Height / 2)
geompy.TranslateDXDYDZ(Cyl Noz ID, 0, 0, PV Height / 2)
Geom OD = geompy.MakeFuse(Cyl_PV_OD, Cyl_Noz_OD)
Geom ID = geompy.MakeFuse(Cyl PV ID, Cyl Noz ID)
PV Whole = geompy.MakeCut(Geom OD, Geom ID)
#Please note that § is entered here for clarity purpose
# to show that line continues below without any break
```

```
# Please do NOT enter $ sign in your code.
a3D_Sketcher_1 = geompy.Make3DSketcher([0, 0, 0, PV_OR, PV_OR, 0, $
PV_OR, PV_OR, PV_Height, 0, 0, PV_Height, 0, 0, 0])
Face_1 = geompy.MakeFaceWires([a3D_Sketcher_1], 1)
Revolution_1 = geompy.MakeRevolution(Face_1, Vz, 270*math.pi/180.0)
PV = geompy.MakeCut(PV_Whole, Revolution_1)
P0 = geompy.MakeVertex(0, 0, PV_Height / 2)
Plane_Vy = geompy.MakePlane(P0, Vy, PV_OR * 5)
Plane_Vz = geompy.MakePlane(P0, Vz, PV_OR * 5)
PV_1 = geompy.MakePartition([PV], [Plane_Vy, Plane_Vz], [], [], $
geompy.ShapeType["SOLID"], 0, [], 0)
P1 = geompy.MakeVertex(0, 0, 0)
P2 = geompy.MakeVertex(0, (PV_OR * math.sin(45*math.pi/180.0) + $
Nozz_OR) / 2, PV_Height / 2)
P3 = geompy.MakeVertex(0, 0, PV Height)
```

By doing above changes we have made geometry creation parametric.

Now to make meshing parametric, find the lines shown below and then we need to make following changes

```
Global_Mesh_Seg = Regular_1D.NumberOfSegments (GlobalSeg)

Global_Mesh_Seg.SetDistrType( 0 )

Quadrangle_2D = PV_Mesh.Quadrangle()

Hexa_3D = smesh.CreateHypothesis('Hexa_3D')

status = PV_Mesh.AddHypothesis(Hexa_3D)

Regular_1D_1 = PV_Mesh.Segment(geom=PV_SubMsh)

PV_Thk_Seg = Regular_1D_1.NumberOfSegments(PVSeg)

PV_Thk_Seg.SetDistrType( 0 )

Propagation_of_1D_Hyp_on_opposite_edges_1 = $

Regular_1D_1.Propagation()

Regular_1D_2 = PV_Mesh.Segment(geom=Noz_SubMsh)

Noz_Thk_Seg = Regular_1D_2.NumberOfSegments(NozSeg)
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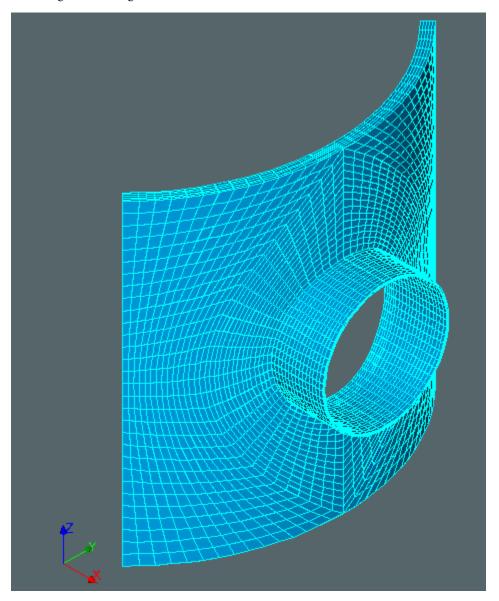
By doing above changes we have made the meshing as parametric too.

Now Start Salome Meca and Click File -> Load Script, then select the python file we saved earlier, after some time mesh of the Pressure vessel with the dimensions you entered in parameters will be displayed.

Just to check if the python file and parameters are working properly, John entered following parameters (Changes marked in Red)

```
#########################
#Parameters for Geometry#
#########################
#Pressure Vessel Outside Radius
PV OR = 1050
#Pressure Vessel Inside Radius
PV IR = 1000
#Pressure Vessel Height
PV Height = 1500
#Nozzle Outside Radius
Nozz OR = 300
#Nozzle Inside Radius
Nozz IR = 290
#Nozzle Protrusion Length
Nozz Protrusion = 200
#Height of Cylinder for Nozzle Construction
Nozz Len = PV OR + Nozz Protrusion
#####################
#Parameters for Mesh#
####################
#Number of Segments for Global Meshing
GlobalSeg = 15
#Number of Segments for Pressure Vessel Shell Thickness Meshing
PVSeg = 5
#Number of Segments for Nozzle Shell Thickness Meshing
NozSeq = 5
#End of Parameters#
###################
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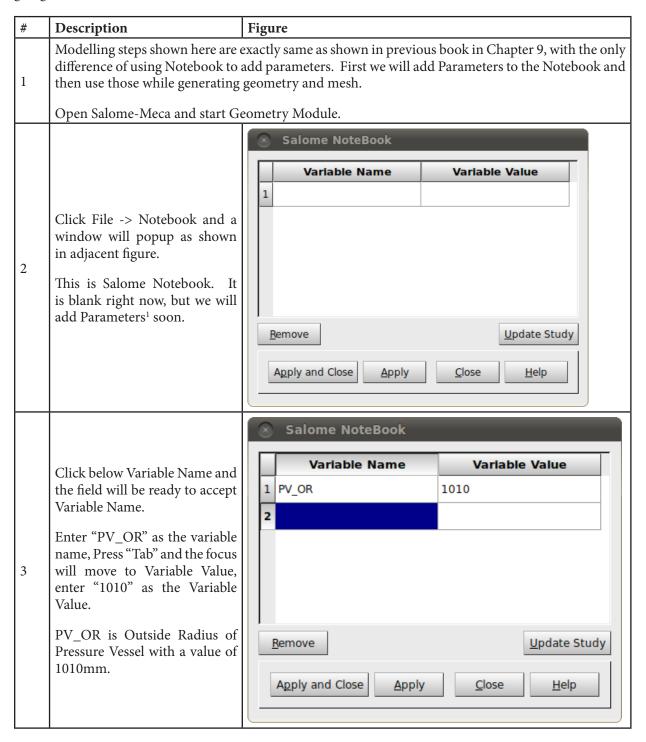
And he got following as a result

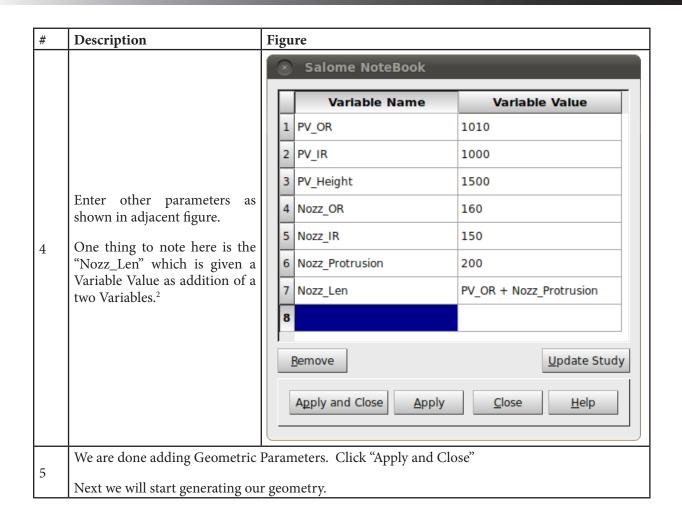


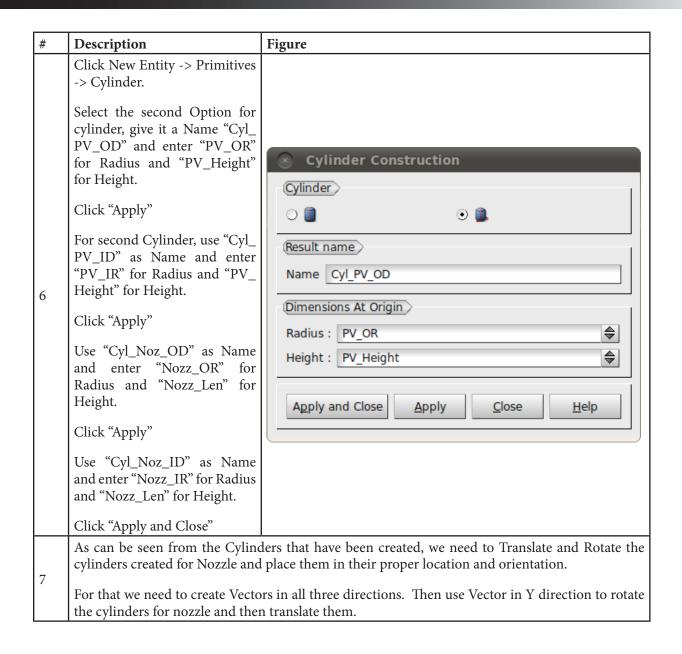
As can be seen, the thickness of Pressure vessel has increased and the Nozzle diameter has also increased.

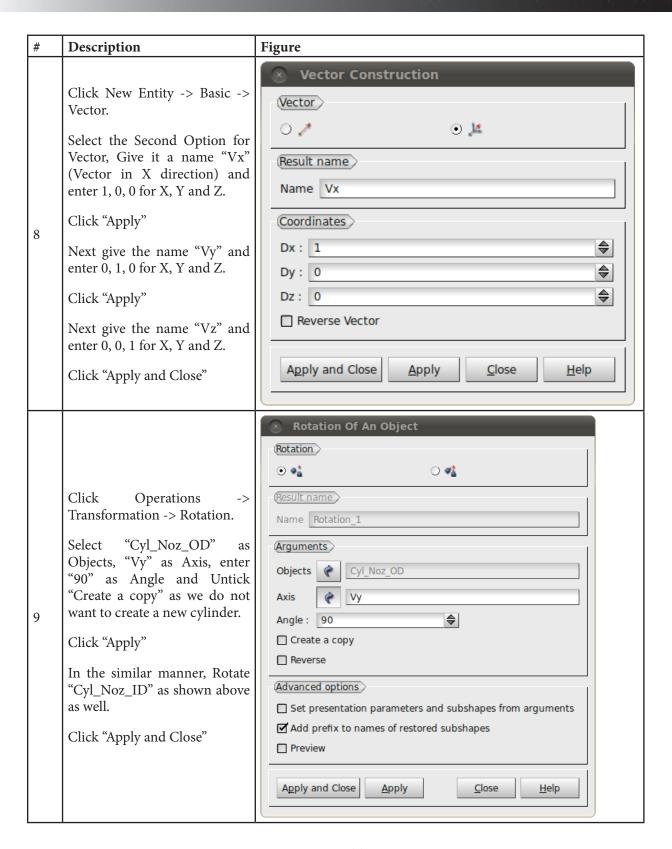
Step 3 again: Parametric Modelling by using Notebook

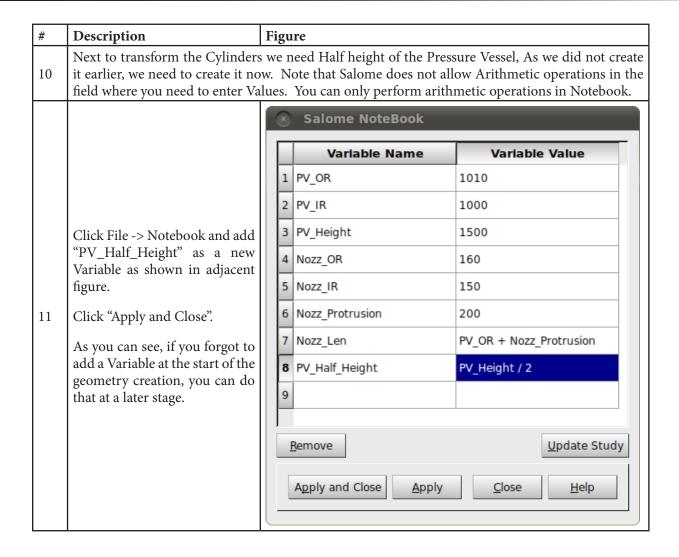
John told Esha that Salome provides a feature called Notebook which is very powerful and that is what we are going to use next.

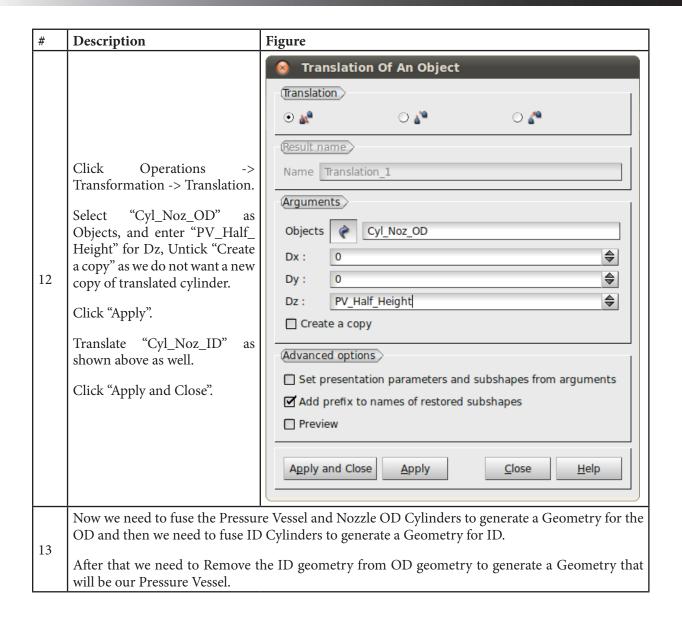


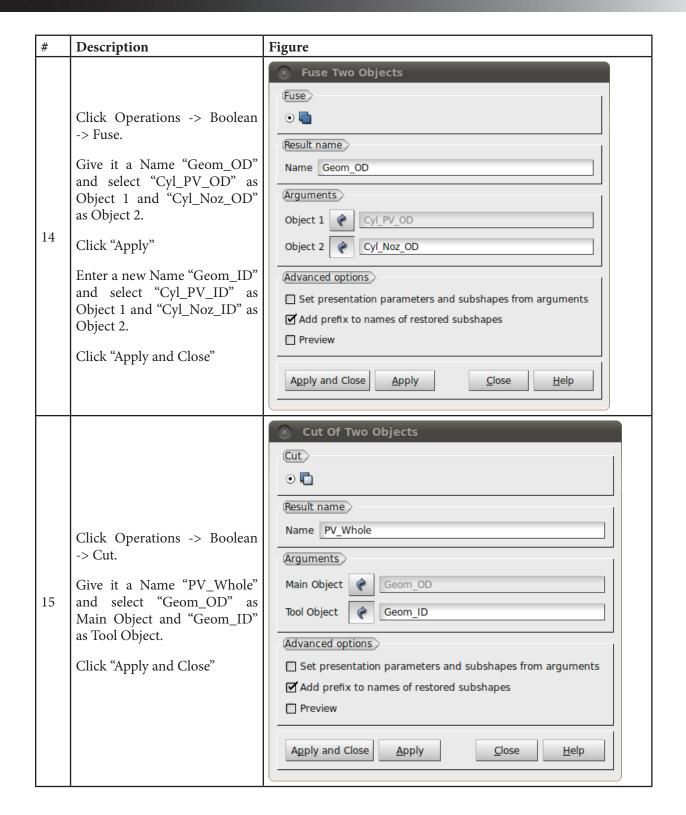


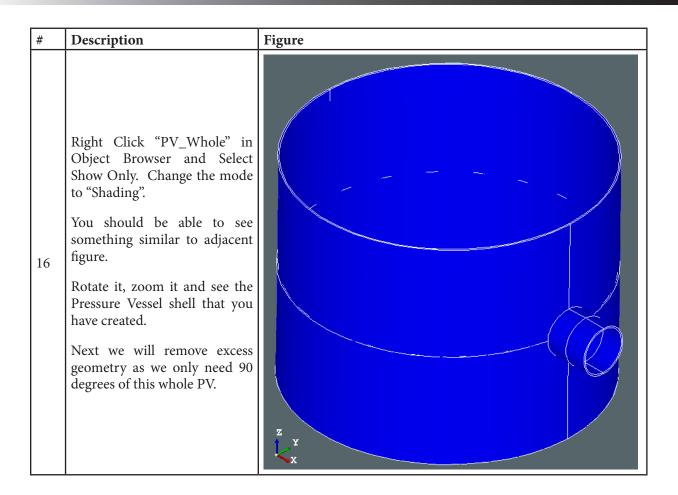


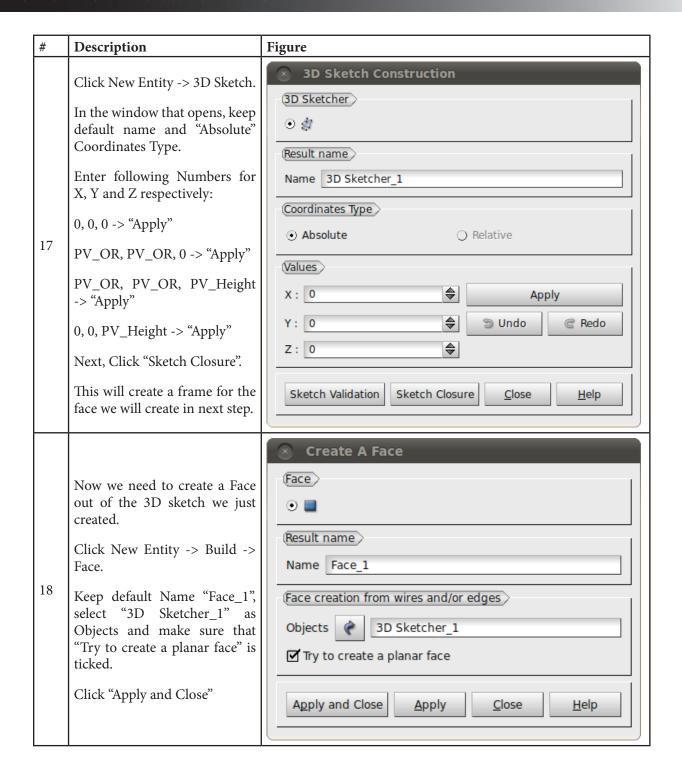


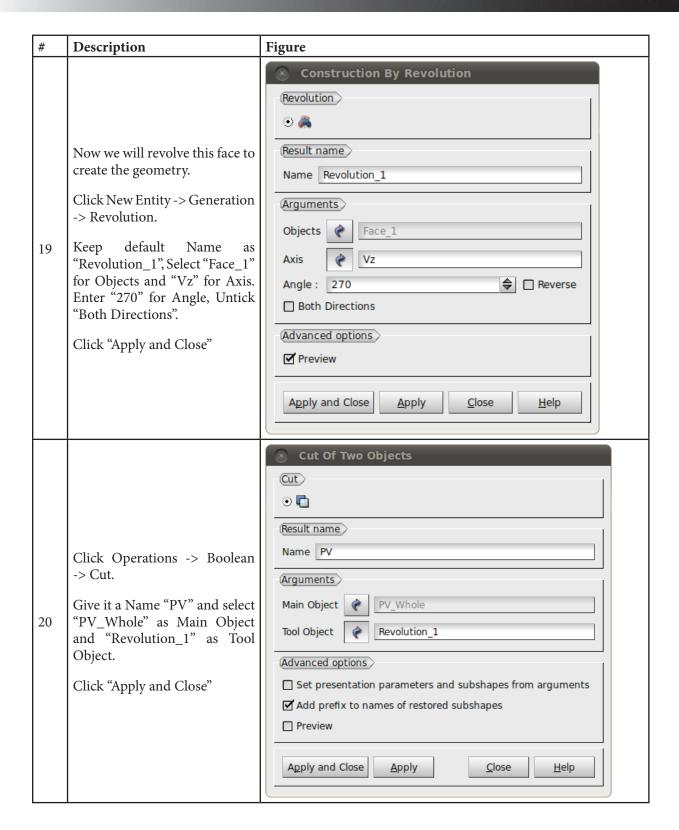




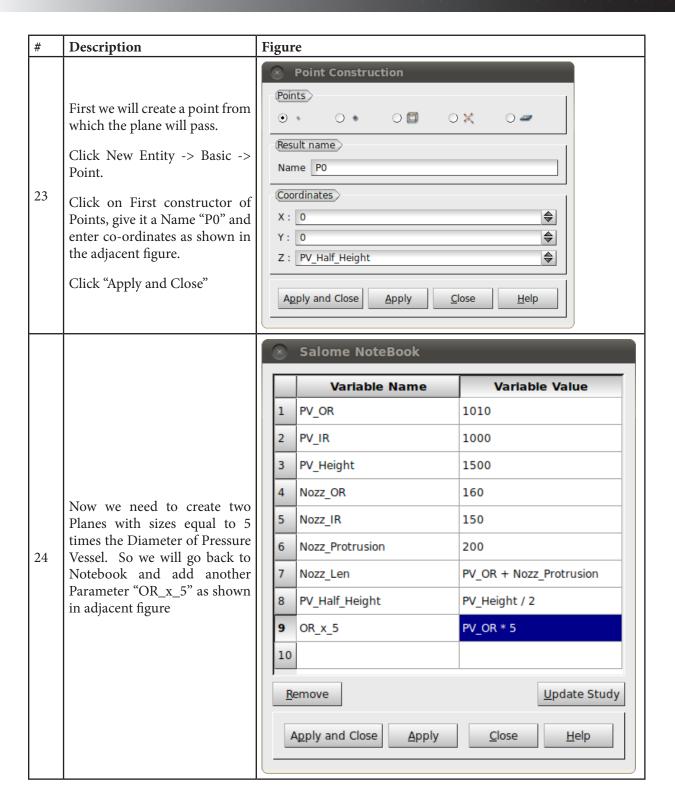


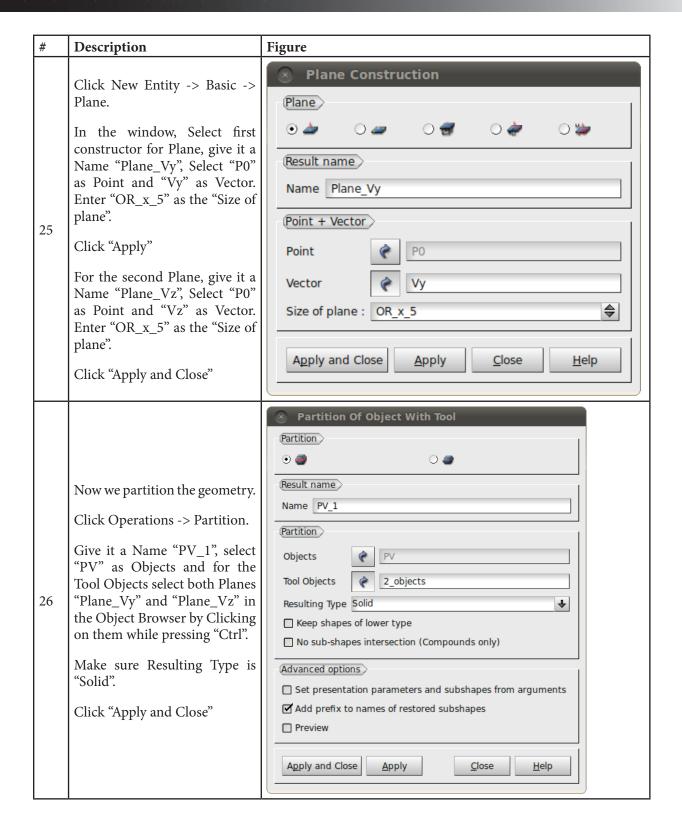


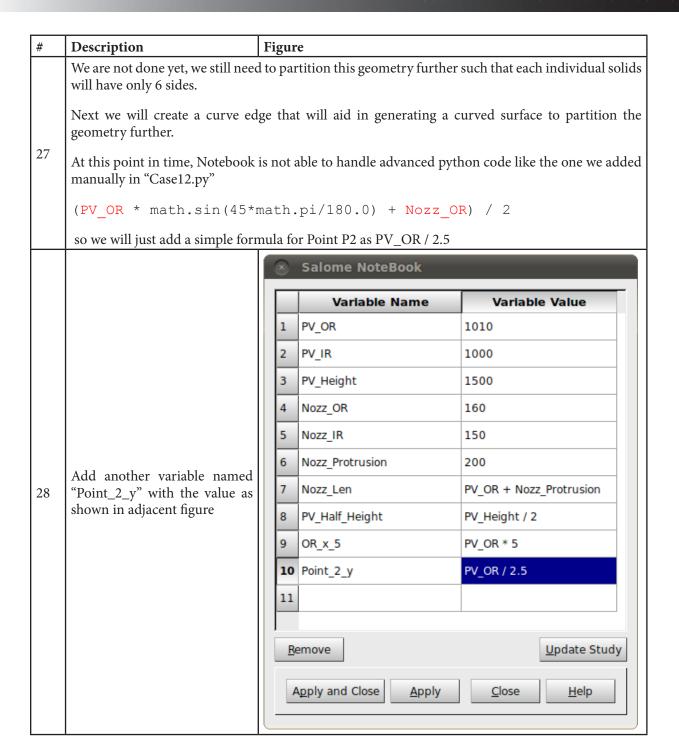


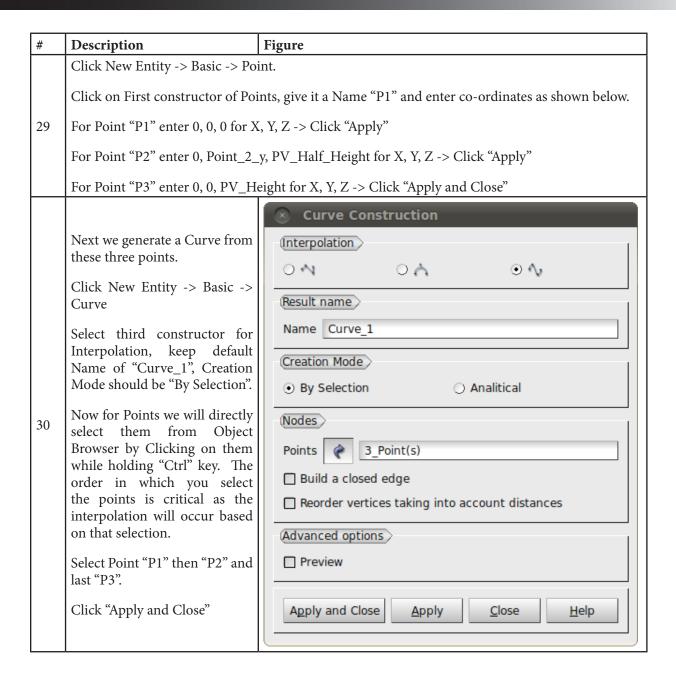


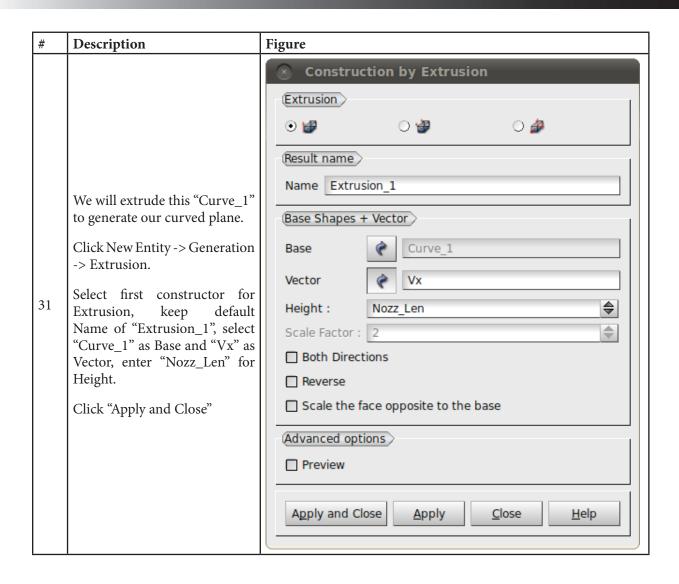
#	Description	Figure
21	Right Click "PV_Whole" in Object Browser and Select Show Only. Change the mode to "Shading". You should be able to see something similar to adjacent figure.	Z Y X
22		ometry such that each partitioned solid has only 6 edges.
		at will cut the Geometry in 4 equal pieces. For this we will need to to each other and that intersect at the centre of the nozzle.

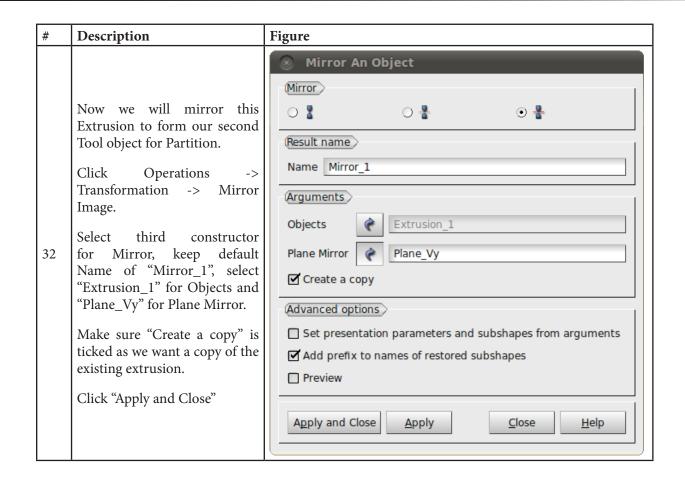


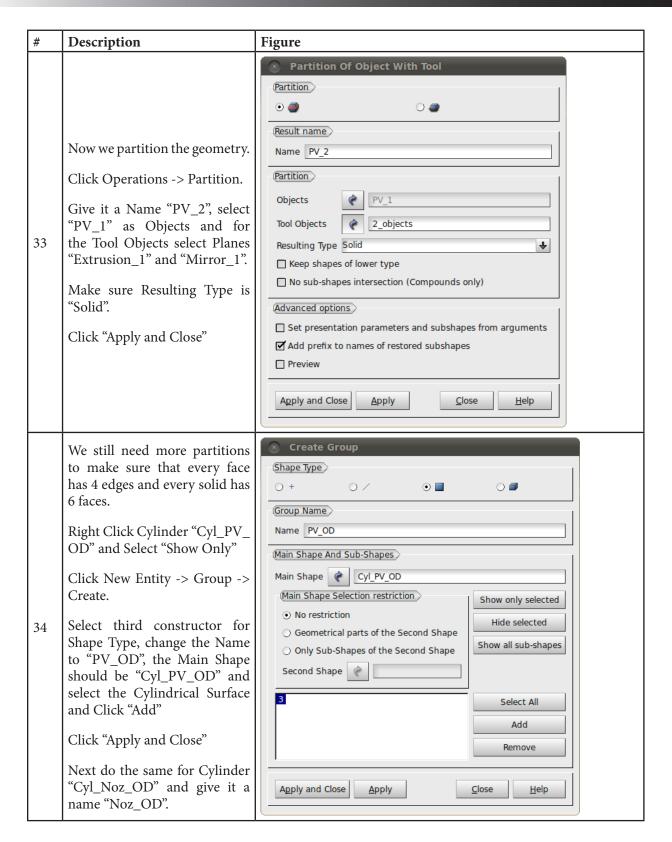












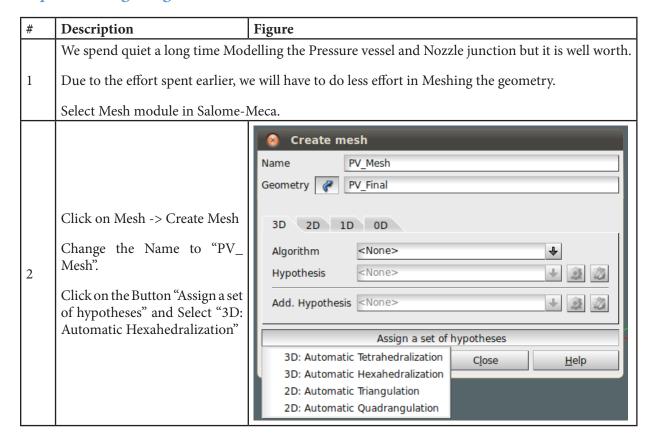
#	Description	Figure
35	Now we partition the geometry one last time. Click Operations -> Partition. Give it a Name "PV_Final", select "PV_2" as Objects and for the Tool Objects select Planes "PV_OD" and "Noz_OD". Make sure Resulting Type is "Solid". Click "Apply and Close". Right Click "PV_Final" and Select "Show Only" and you should be able to see something similar to the adjacent figure.	z
36	apply Boundary Condition and	ing is complete, we need to create Groups of Faces where we will Loads. in same as Previous Study we did for Pressure Vessel Shell for most

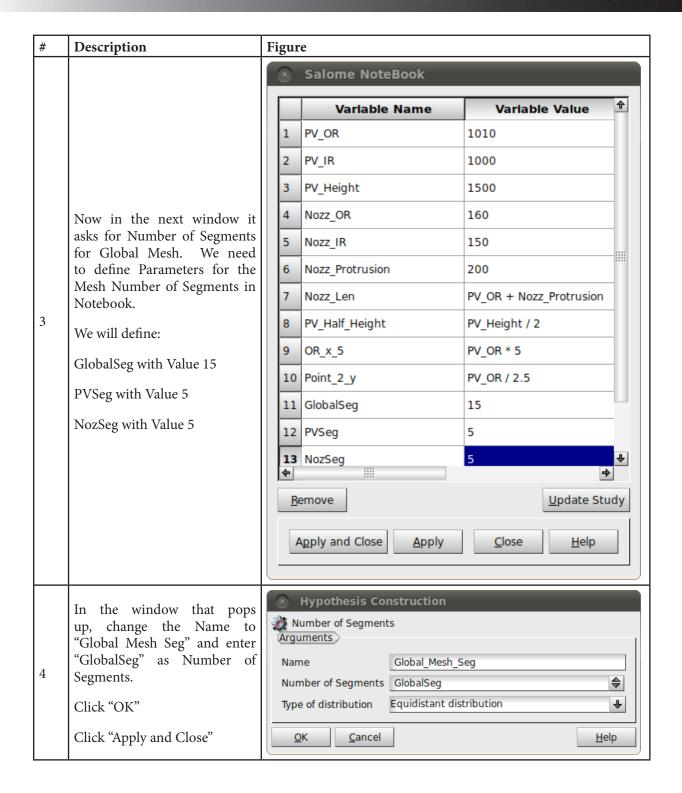
#	Description	Figure
37	Click New Entity -> Create -> Group, Select the Third button to Add Face. Give Name "Dz0" to the bottom face of the shell, "LongPres" to the top face and "Norma" to the two vertical faces. Give Name "Press" to the Inside Face of the Pressure Vessel Shell and also to the Inside face of Nozzle.	LongPres
38	We will need a Face Group on the Nozzle to apply Force. Give it a Name "Force" and select 4 faces as highlighted in Red in adjacent figure. Click "Add" to add them and then Click "Apply"	

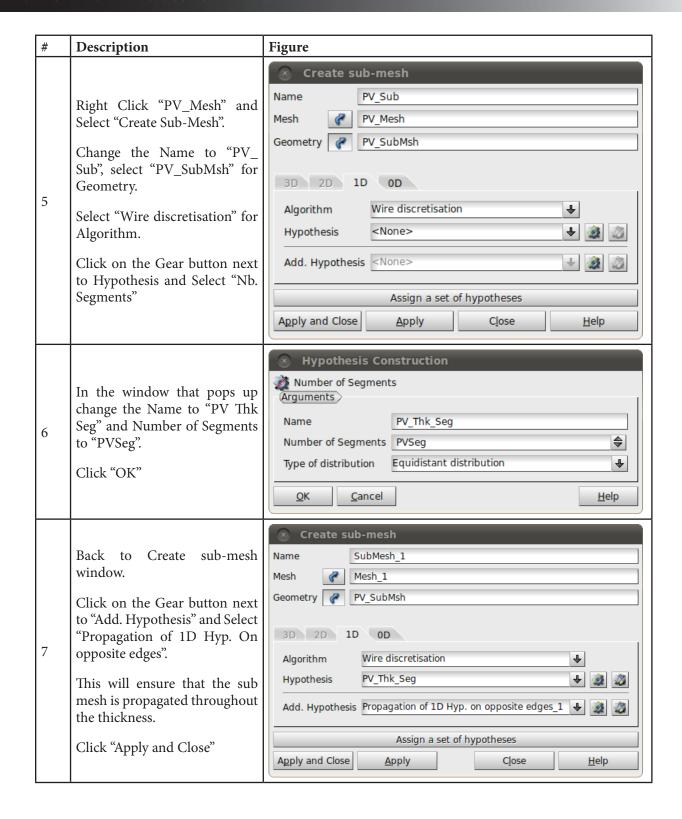
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39	Now we need to create Edge Group for Sub Meshes that we will create in the thickness of the Pressure Vessel and Nozzle. In the Create Group Window, Select the Second button to Add Edge. Add all four edges that we had selected in previous chapter for the PV Shell and additional edges that are created due to partitioning of the PV in the middle of the Length.	Select 8 of the edges shown here and 4 shown in next figure to "PV_SubMsh"
40	Also Add four edges as shown in the adjacent figure which are on the Inside of Nozzle and on PV Shell, and give it a Name "PV_SubMsh". "PV_SubMsh" should have 12 edges in it.	Z Y X

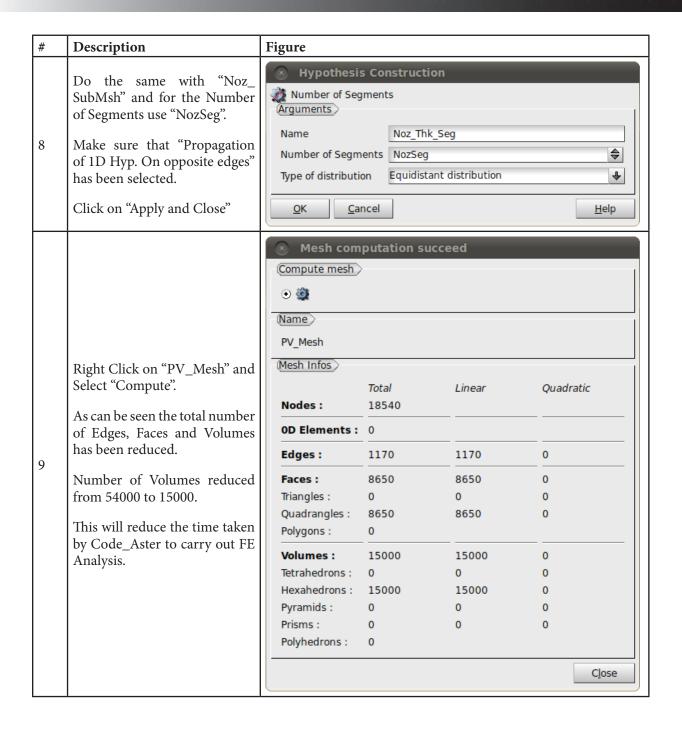
Similarly we will create Edge group for "Noz_SubMsh" as shown in adjacent figure. There will be 8 edges in "Noz_SubMsh" This concludes creating Geometry.	#	Description	Figure
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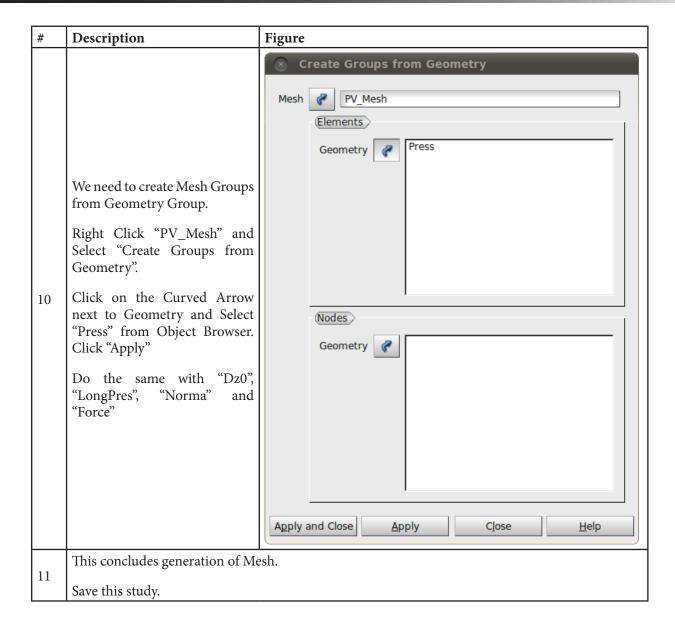
Step 4: Meshing using Notebook







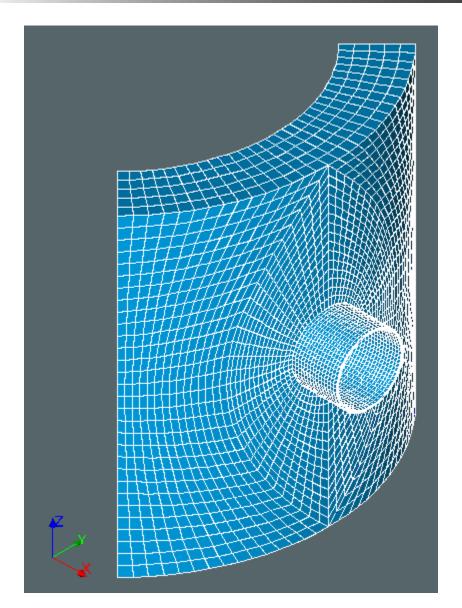




Change Parameter in Notebook

Now is the real test of Notebook. Once geometry and mesh is generated and the file has been saved, Click on File -> Notebook and change the parameters and see if the study updates.

For example, change the value of PV_IR from 1000 to 750 and Click "Update Study". Salome will be performing the steps that we carried out to generate geometry and mesh again and when done, it will present the final result. Our result is shown below.



John told Esha that using Notebook is very easy and updating geometry and mesh is done by just a click of a button, but as we noticed, Notebook is not powerful yet and complex formulas cannot be entered. If you want to enter complex formulas, you better edit the python file manually.

Summary

John asked Esha to summarise what she learnt by doing this Parametric Modelling. Esha summarised it as below

- ► How to edit a Python file.
- ► How to enter Parameters in Python file.
- ▶ How to Use Parameters in Geometry and Mesh creation.
- ► How to use Notebook in Salome.
- ▶ How to add Parameters and its Value in the Notebook.
- ▶ What are the limitations of Notebook.
- ► How to update study by changing Parameters in the Notebook.

Endnotes

- 1 Parameters are called Variables
- 2 You can perform arithmetic calculations in Variable Value field.

What will be covered in Volume 3

Learning new topics from John, Esha was equipped with new enthusiasm. She started working again and the projects that formerly she had to forward to her colleagues due to lack of understanding, she could do them with ease.

Nearly after a year, John caught up with Esha to find out how she was feeling regarding the use of new and a bit more advanced use of Open Source Software for Finite Element Analysis. Esha, now a seasoned engineer, told John that she was very happy to get new information for the help that he had provided her as it helped her in her job. She could do the projects with ease and now was also able to teach others the use of Open Source Software.

Then Esha told John that every now and then an advanced type of FE Analysis comes to her for which she is not ready yet. She has to pass them to her other colleagues as she is not feeling confident and she is feeling a bit lost. As usual John was listening to her words carefully and asked her if he could help. Esha was waiting for John to say that and she listed the analysis which she felt were a bit tough for her to do.

Using Python for Parametric Modelling and FE Analysis

Esha said that using Python for Parametric modelling was good, but every now and then when she has to re-run the study, with more refined mesh, she had to re-do all the steps again. She wanted to know if using Python, can she automate the phase of Modelling, Meshing and running the analysis.

Using Hommard for adaptive meshing

Esha had heard about Hommard and that it can be used for adaptive meshing. She wanted to learn how to use it.

Advanced Thermal FE Analysis

After learning about two types of Thermal FE Analysis, conduction and convection, Esha wanted more. She asked John if he could teach her advanced Thermal Analysis. She wanted to learn Thermal Radiation, Thermal Analysis of an Assembly and so on.

Thermo-Mechanical FE Analysis

Finding out the temperature of different parts in Thermal analysis is good, but there was something missing. Esha wanted to learn, how to find out thermal deformation in a part or assembly. She wanted to know if the thermal Stress Strain curve of the material can be attached to thermal and mechanical analysis.

Pipe Stress Analysis

Esha knew that standard Pipe Stress Analysis programs available in the market use Beam model for Stress analysis. She wanted to learn how to perform Pipe Stress Analysis using Salome-Meca and Code_Aster.

Fluid Structure Integration

Esha remembered that doing Computational Fluid Dynamics, you can find out the pressure on the boundary walls, she wanted to know if there was a way to project these on to the mechanical parts and carry out FE analysis. In short she wanted to learn Fluid Structure Integration of FE Analysis.

After listing the above analysis, Esha looked at John who was smiling and had a sparkle in his eyes. John was ready to teach Advanced FE Analysis to Esha.

John told Esha that both Salome and Code_Aster were capable of conducting the analysis she asked for and much more.

Appendix A

Other sources of information

This section is provided here for motivated users who are hungry for more information on the software covered in this book. Links are provided to the Software home page and also to the User Forums. Links provided to the websites are correct at the time of writing this; if by any chance these links don't work, just use any search engine to find relevant software.

- 1. Salome website http://www.salome-platform.org/
- 2. Code Aster website http://www.code-aster.org/V2/spip.php?rubrique2
- 3. CAELinux website http://www.caelinux.com/CMS/
- 4. Efficient website http://engineering.moonish.biz/efficient/
- 5. Salome forum http://www.salome-platform.org/forum
- 6. Code_Aster forum http://www.code-aster.org/forum2/
- 7. CAELinux wiki http://www.caelinux.org/wiki/index.php/Main Page

Appendix B

Installing Software required for this book

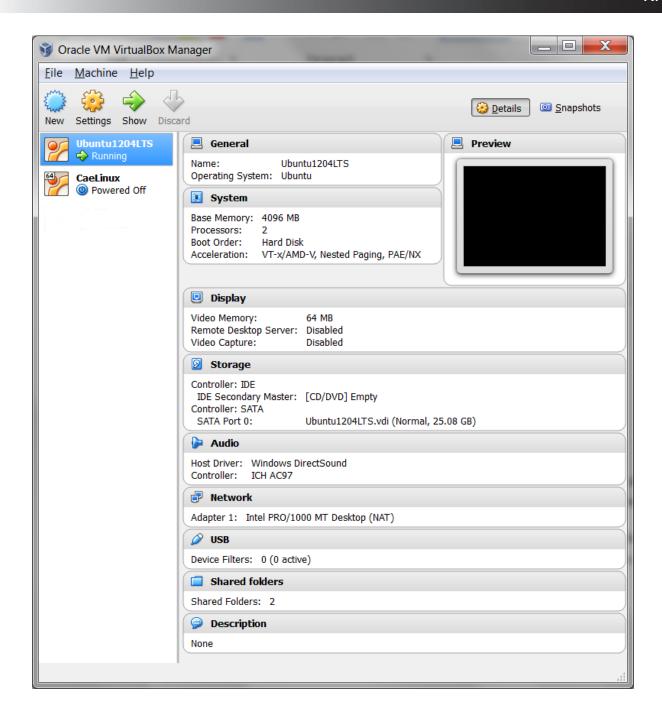
All case studies mentioned in this book can be performed on a computer that has Ubuntu 12.04 Operating System and which has Salome-Meca and Efficient installed on it.

Ubuntu 12.04 Configuration

Ubuntu 12.04 can be installed on a computer alongside Windows 7 or it can be installed as a Virtual Operating System. Decision of how to install Ubuntu is left to the readers.

I have installed Ubuntu 12.04 in a virtual environment using Virtual Box.

Configuration of Ubuntu on Virtual Box is shown below

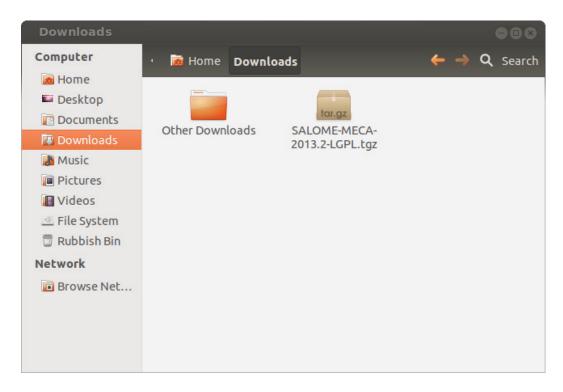


Salome-Meca 2013.2 installation

Download Salome-Meca 2013.2 from their website

http://www.code-aster.org/V2/spip.php?article303

It downloads as a rar file and it is in my Downloads folder as shown below.



Now Open Terminal and go to Downloads Folder

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dharmit@dharmit-ubuntu1204: ~/Downloads/
dharmit@dharmit-ubuntu1204:~$ cd Downloads/
dharmit@dharmit-ubuntu1204:~/Downloads$ ☐

dharmit@dharmit-ubuntu1204:~/Downloads$ ☐
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Enter the command by typing in Terminal

tar xvf SALOME-MECA-2013.2-LGPL.tqz &&./SALOME-MECA-2013.2-LGPL.run

Follow the prompt and install Salome-Meca 2013.2 in desired location.

Once Salome-Meca installation is complete, a desktop icon will be created which can be double clicked to start Salome-Meca 2013.2

Have fun.

If you have any trouble installing the software, consult Code_Aster Forums on

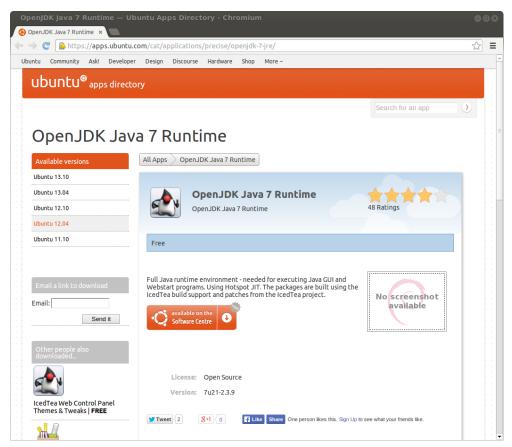
http://www.code-aster.org/forum2/viewforum.php?id=26

Efficient Install

Efficient is developed in Java and to run it in Ubuntu, you will need OpenJDK Java 7 runtime.

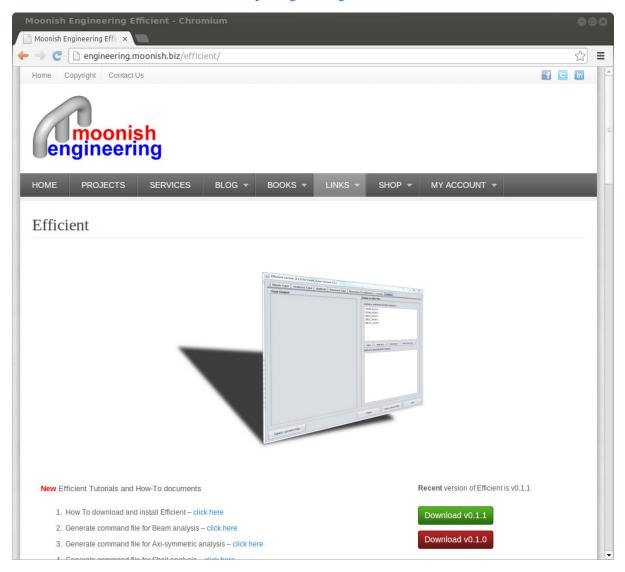
To download and install it go to

https://apps.ubuntu.com/cat/applications/precise/openjdk-7-jre/



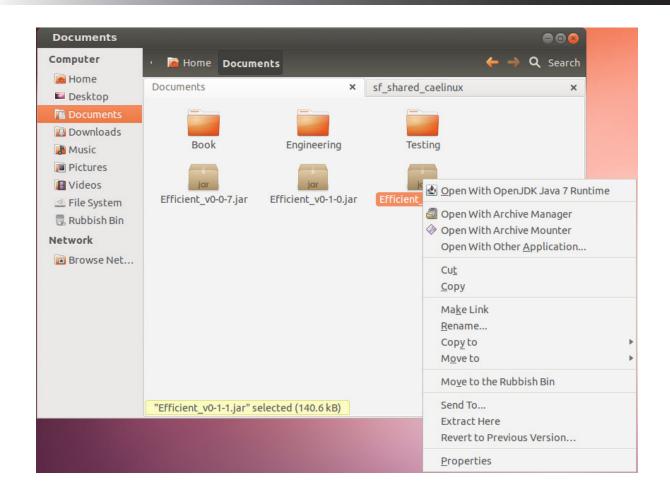
Install it on your Ubuntu installation.





On the right hand side latest Efficient version can be downloaded. Click on "Download v0.1.1" and a Java Jar file named "Efficient_v0-1-1.jar" will be downloaded on your computer. Copy it to a proper location.

 $To\ run\ Efficient,\ Right\ Click\ on\ "Efficient_v0-1-1.jar"\ and\ Select\ "Open\ With\ Open\ JDK\ Java\ 7\ Runtime"$



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