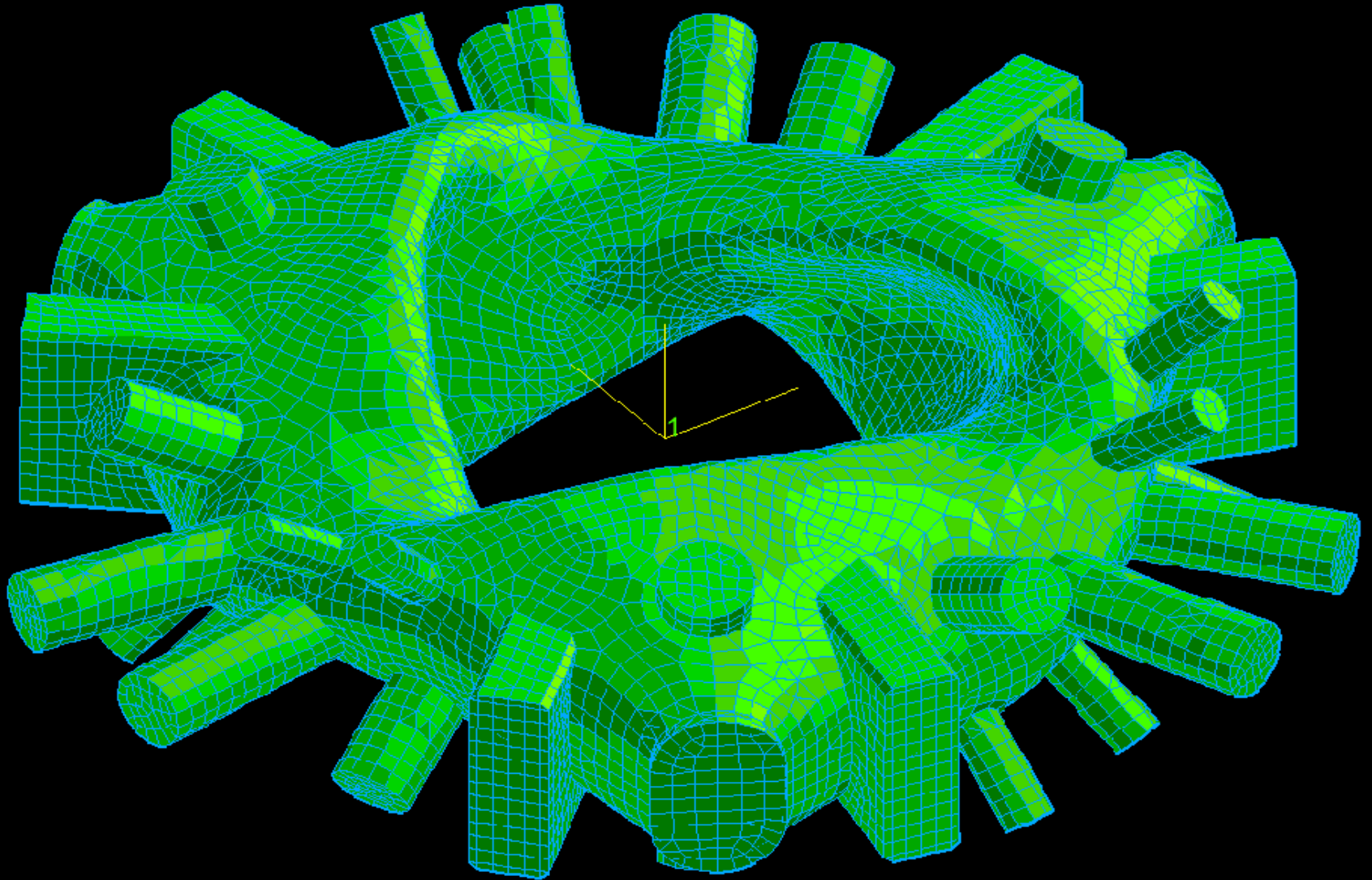


NCSX-Vessel Buckling

LI386-1 atmosphere, free radial b.c.

Fred Dahlgren - 26 April 2001

NCSX Vacuum Vessel - Nastran Shell Element Model



FEA Model Details:

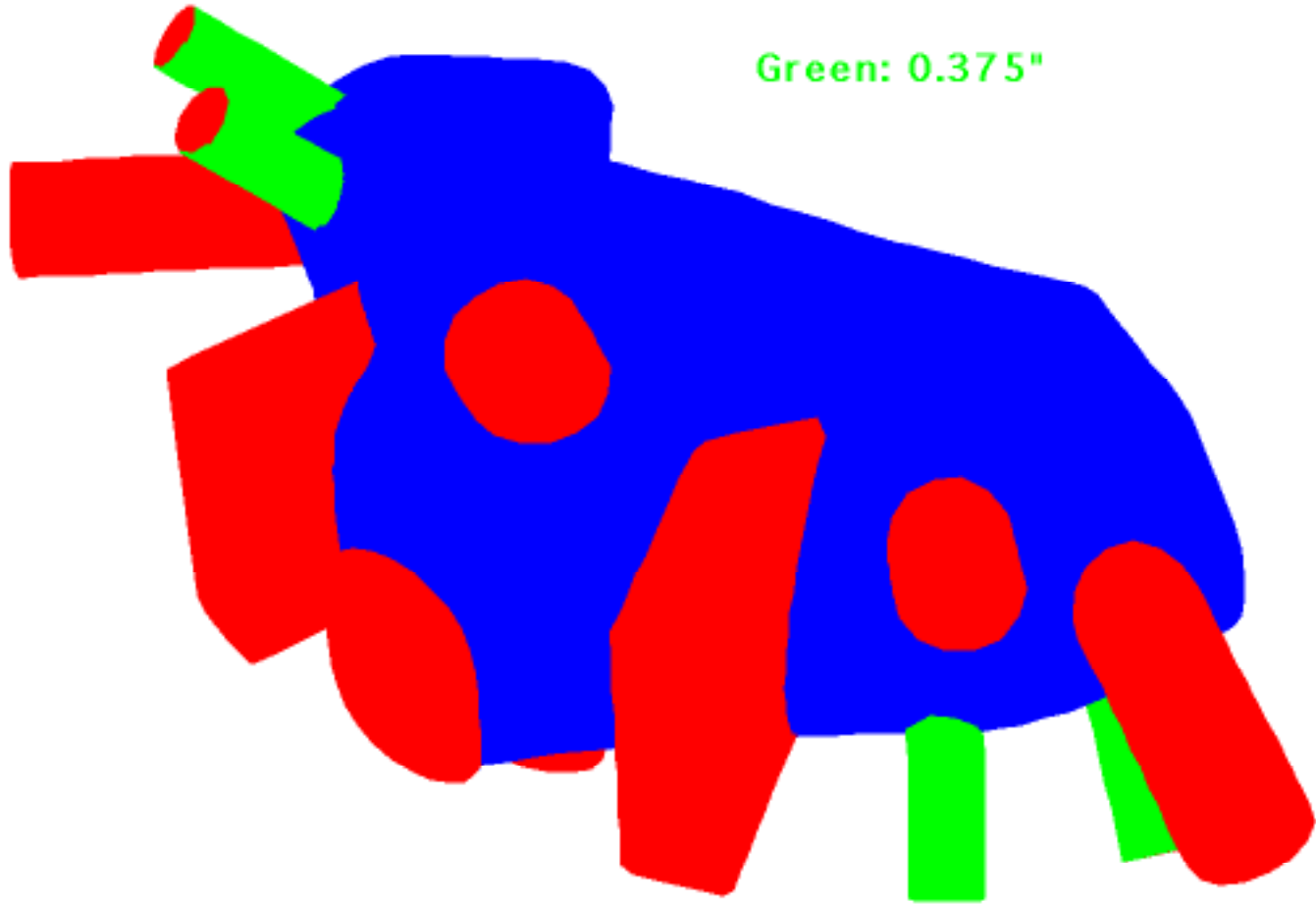
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|--------------|---|--------------|
| 1. Elements: | CQUAD4 | 9,876 |
| | CTRIA3 | <u>4,104</u> |
| | Total: | 13,980 |
| 2. Nodes: | GRIDS | 11,928 |
| | (DOF's) | 71,568 (-6) |
| 3. B.C.s: | Vertical & Circumferential SPCs
@ RF Launcher Port Centerline
(6 DOFs, constraining R.B. modes) | |
| 4. | Full 360 degrees model – Static pressure load | |
| 5. | Lanzcos Eigenvalue problem using differential
Stiffness derived from static analysis. | |

Model A Thicknesses

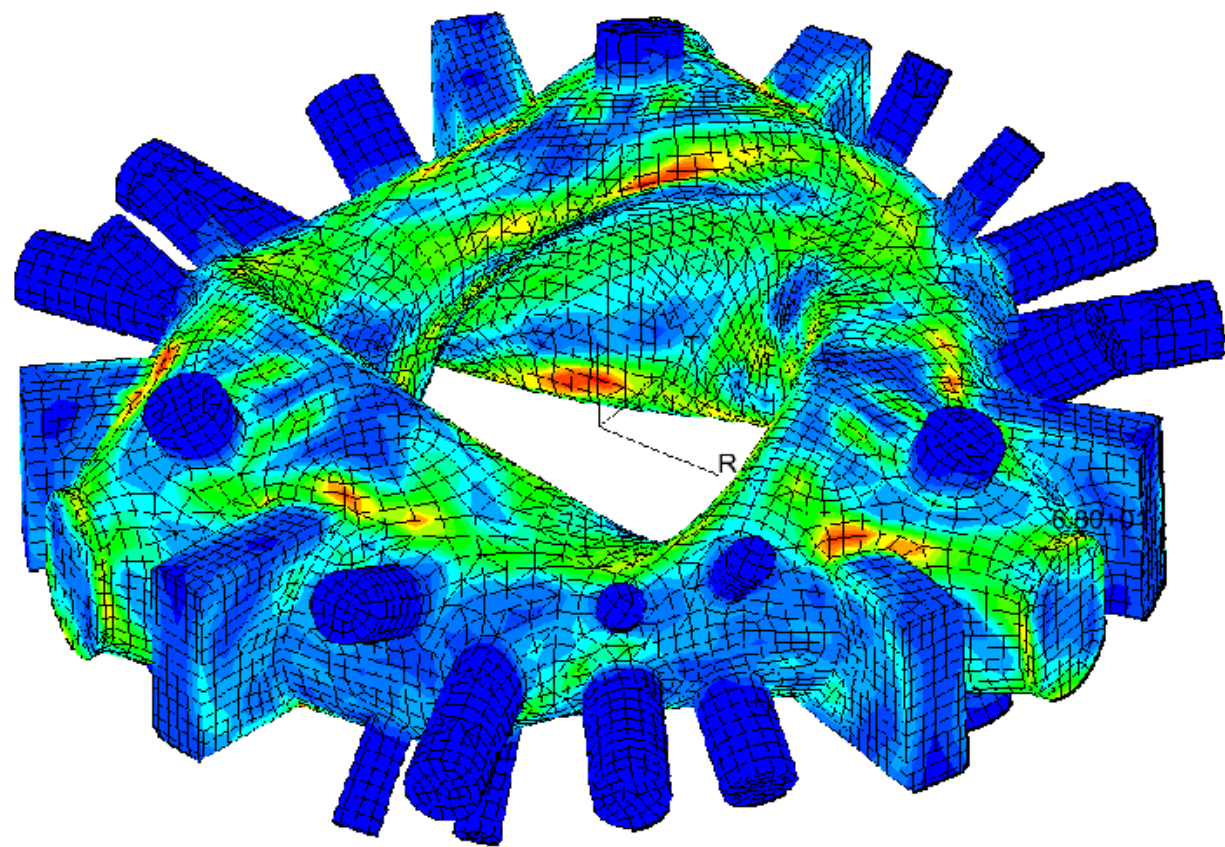
Red: 0.475"

Blue: 0.175"

Green: 0.375"



Shell Thickness = 0.175



2.03+04

1.90+04

1.76+04

1.63+04

1.49+04

1.36+04

1.22+04

1.09+04

9.51+03

8.16+03

6.81+03

5.47+03

4.12+03

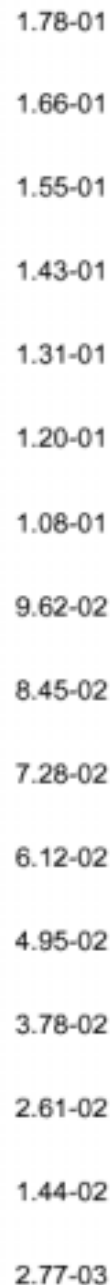
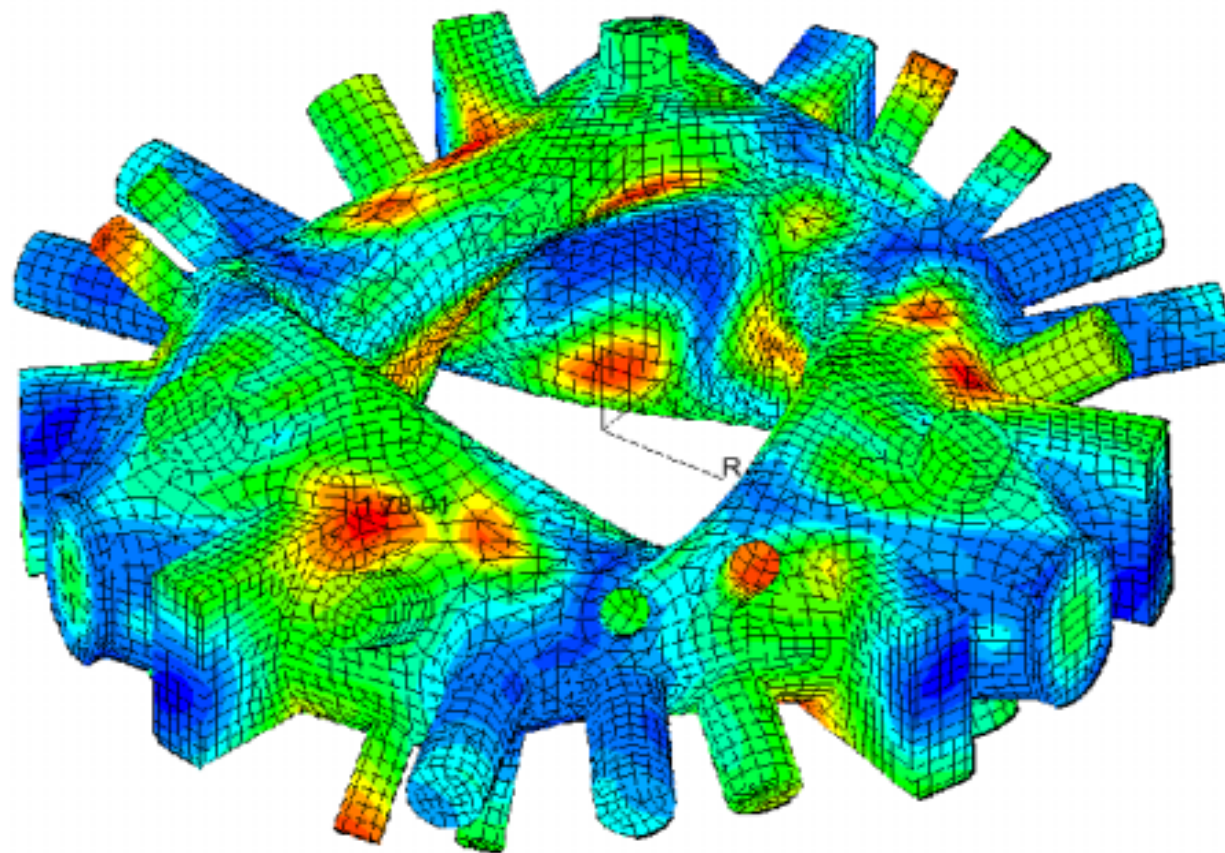
2.77+03

1.42+03

6.80+01

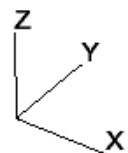
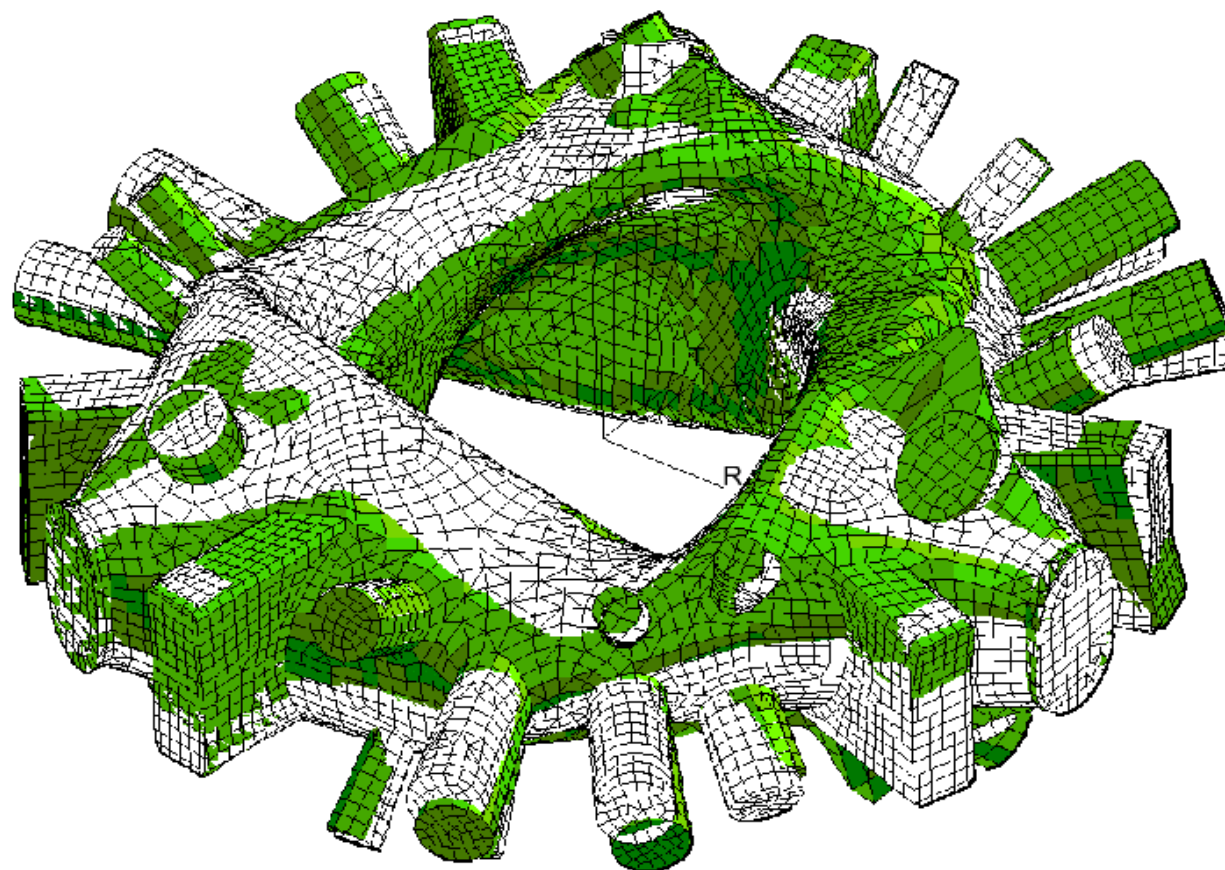
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Min 6.80+01 @Nd 577

Shell Thickness = 0.175



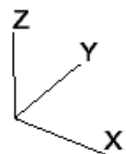
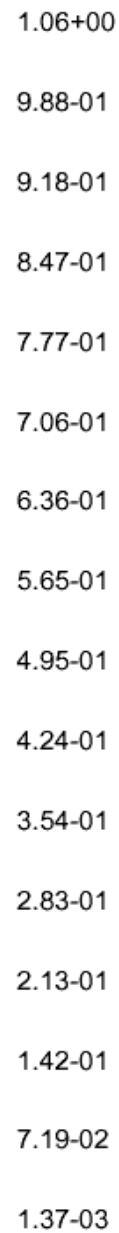
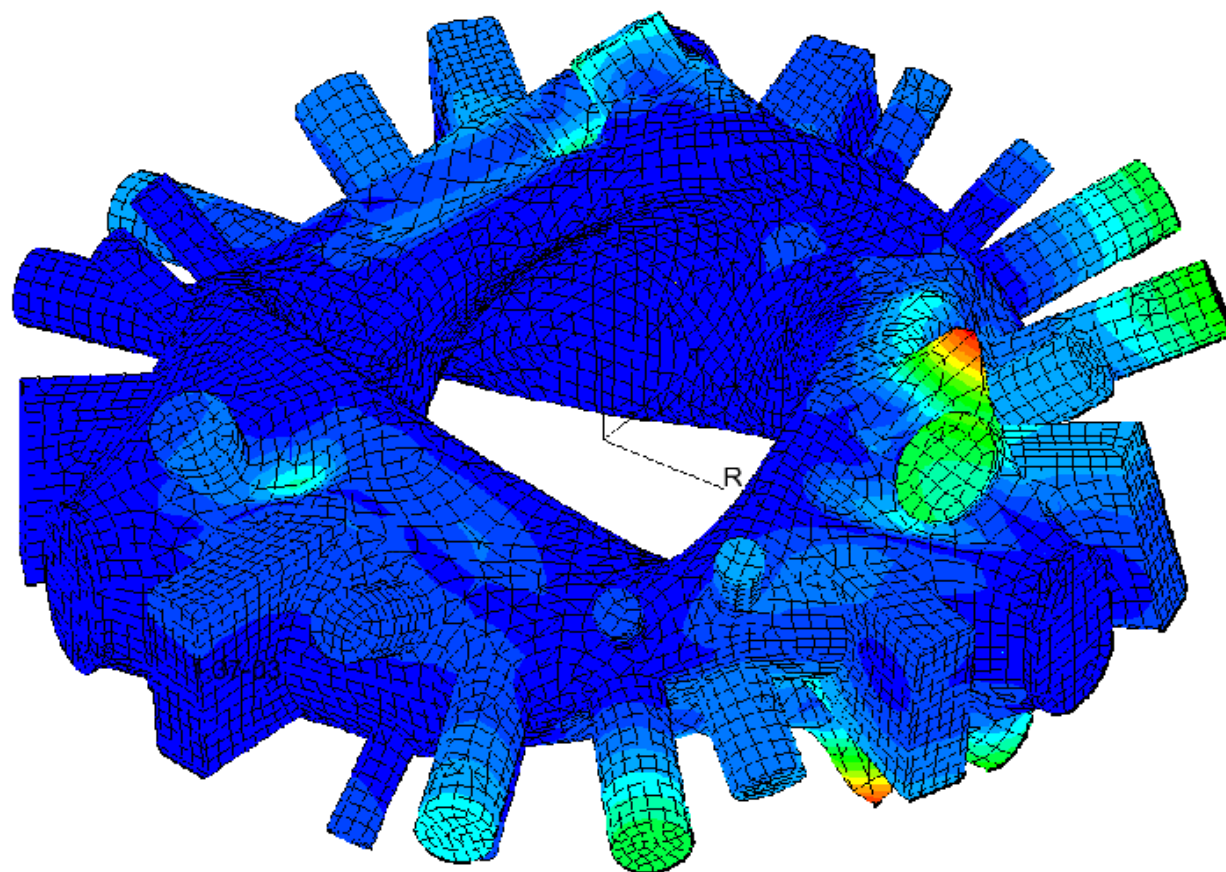
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Min 2.77-03 @Nd 6538

Shell Thickness = 0.175



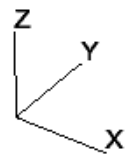
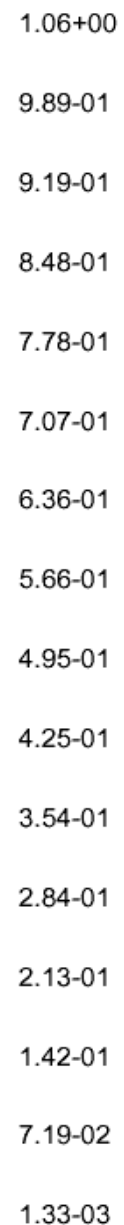
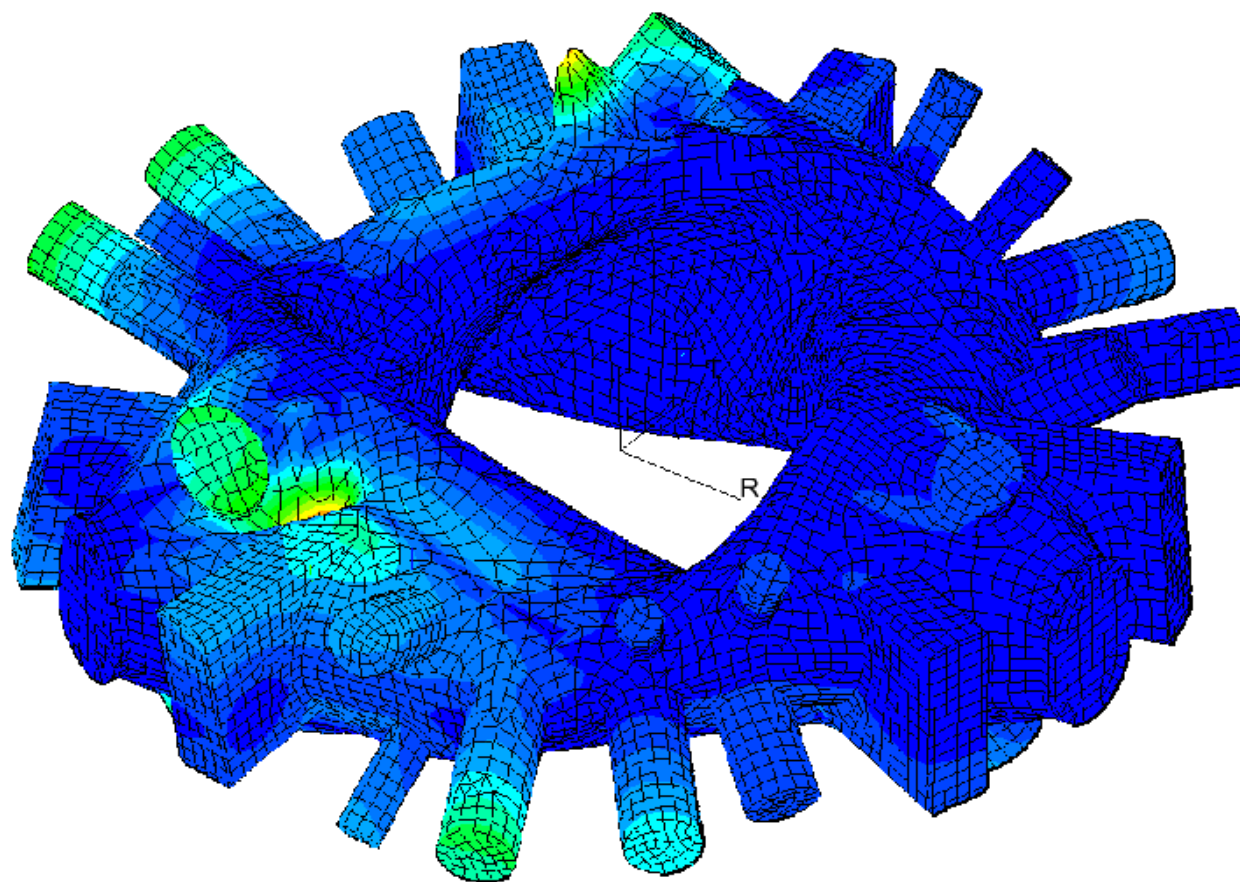
1st Buckling Mode

Shell Thickness = 0.175



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Max 1.06+00 @Nd 1769
Min 1.37-03 @Nd 10143
default_Deformation :
Max 1.06+00 @Nd 1769

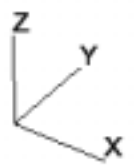
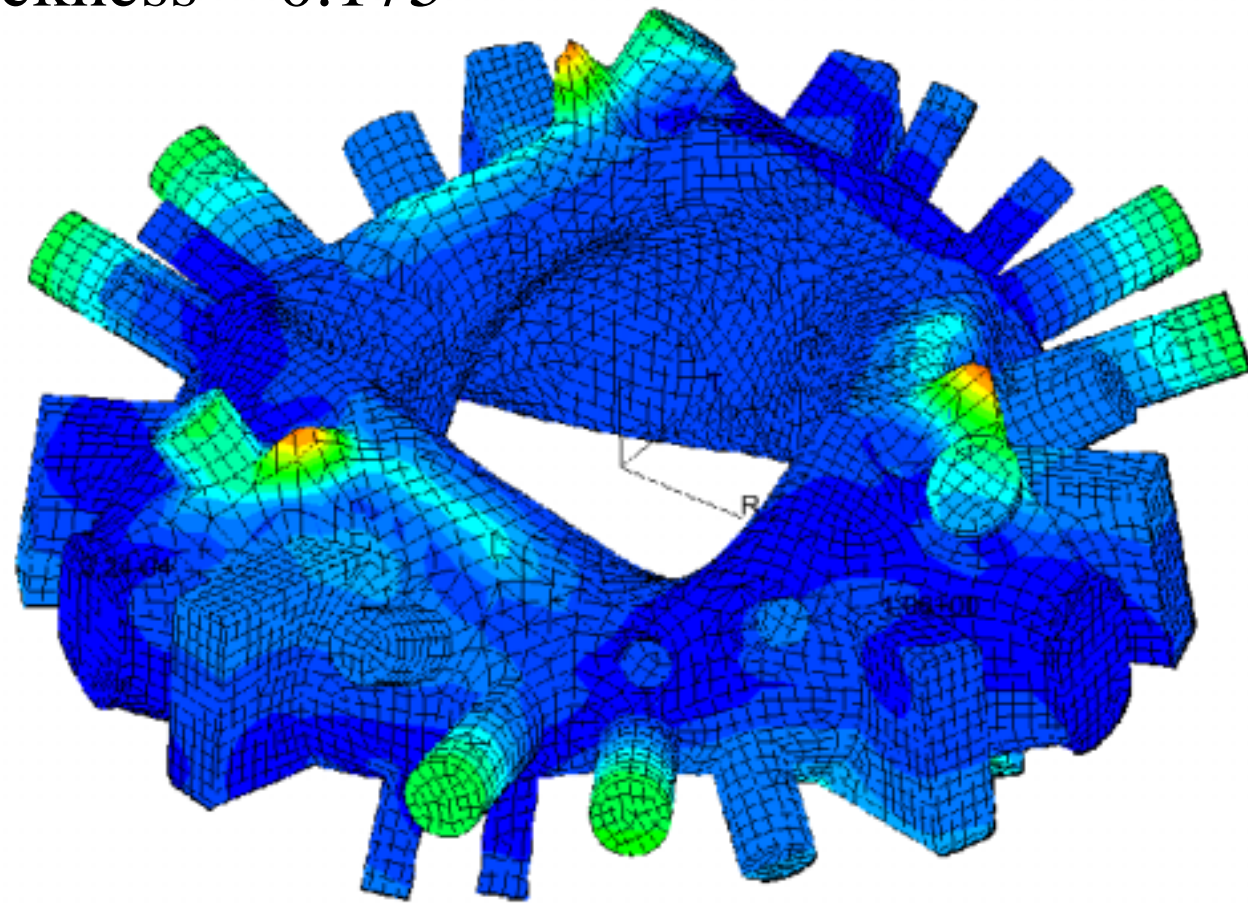
Shell Thickness = 0.175



default_Fringe :
Max 1.06+00 @Nd 11727
Min 1.33-03 @Nd 1531
default_Deformation :
Max 1.06+00 @Nd 11727

Fringe: 1 ATMOSPHERE (LI386 MODEL), Mode 3 : Factor=2.9624: Eigenvectors, Translational-(NON-LAYERED) (MAG)
Deform: 1 ATMOSPHERE (LI386 MODEL), Mode 3 : Factor=2.9624: Eigenvectors, Translational

Shell Thickness = 0.175



default_Fringe :
Max 1.06+00 @Nd 3814
Min 3.24-04 @Nd 11983
default_Deformation :
Max 1.06+00 @Nd 3814

QuickTime™ and a
Graphics decompressor
are needed to see this picture.

1.05+00

9.82-01

9.12-01

8.42-01

7.72-01

7.03-01

6.33-01

5.63-01

4.93-01

4.23-01

3.53-01

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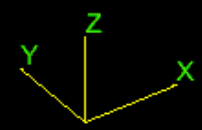
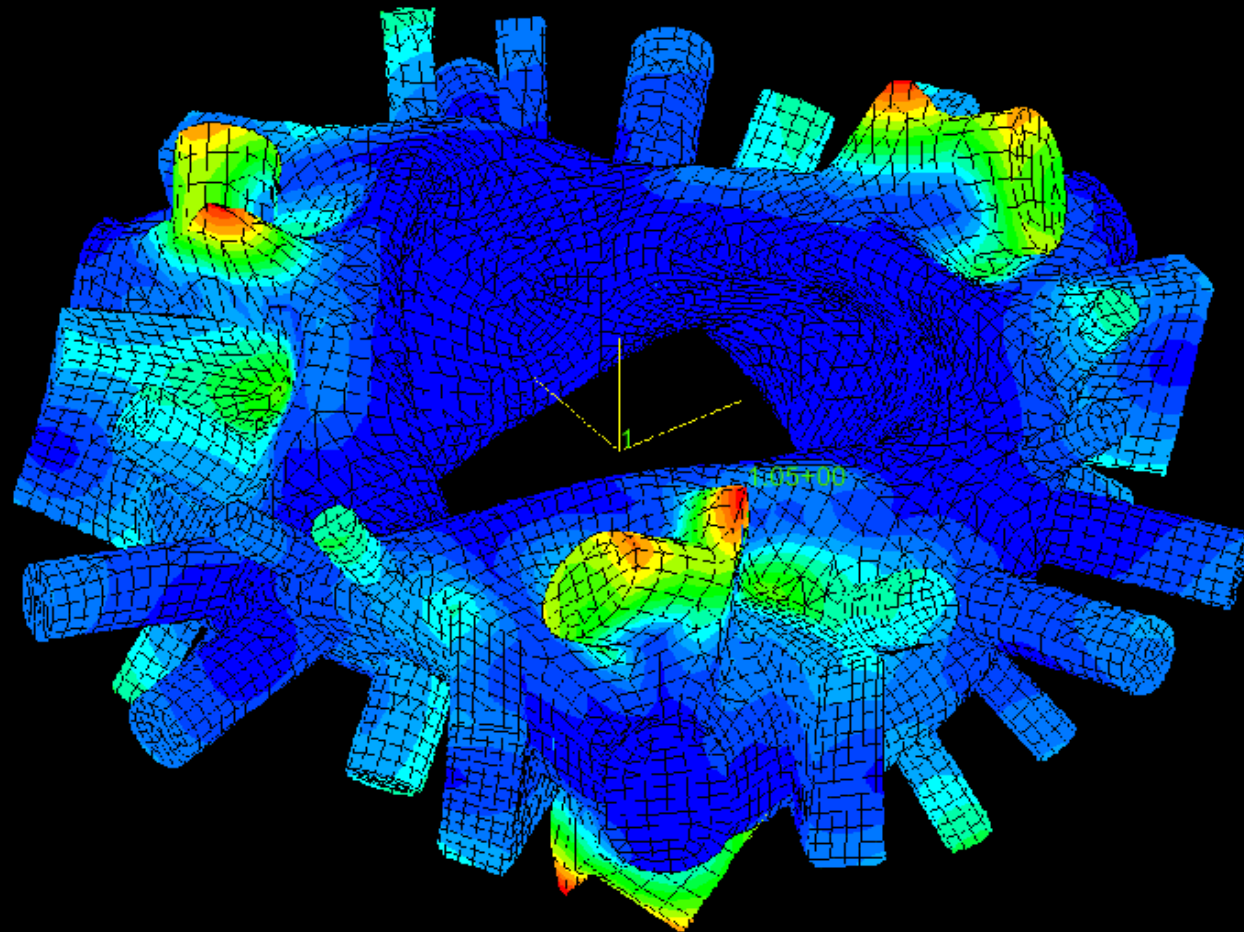
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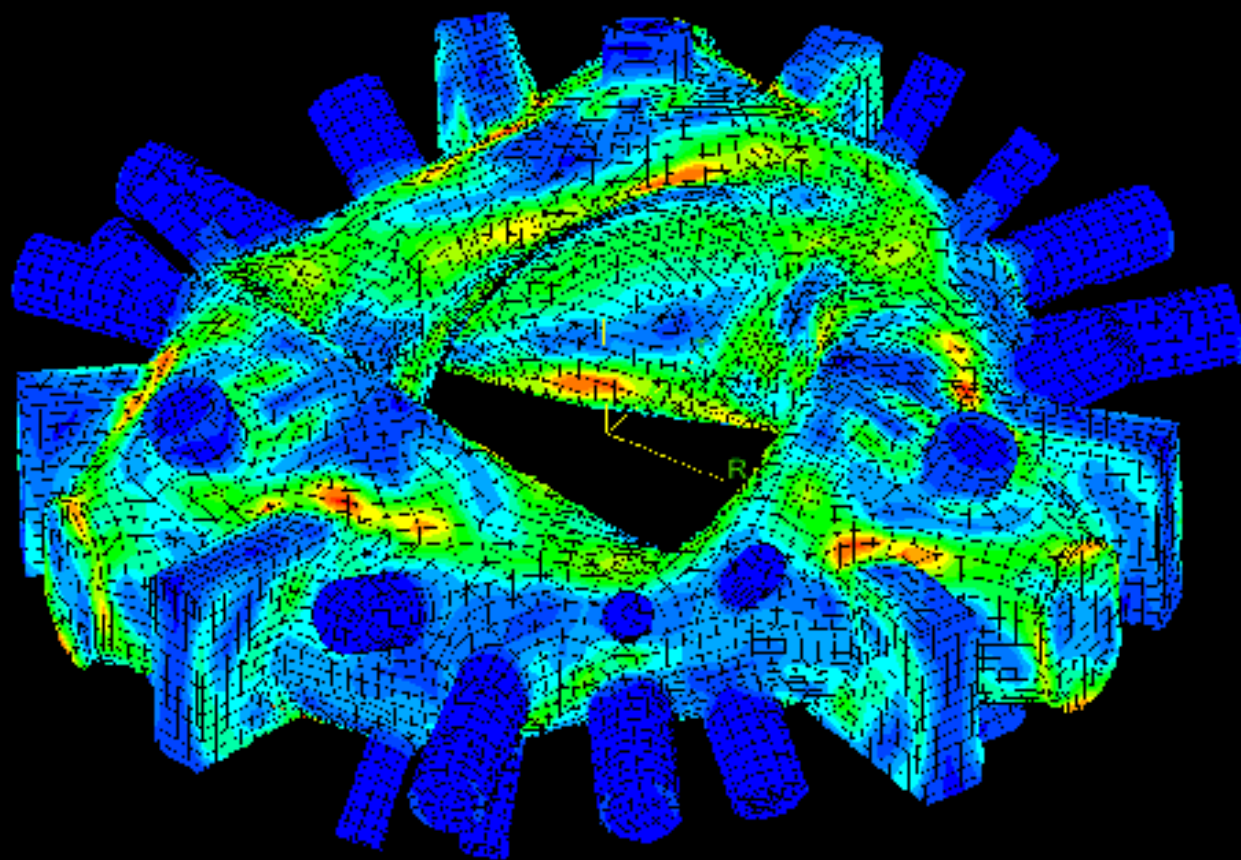
3.57-03

Shell Thickness = 0.250



default_Fringe :
Max 1.05+00 @Nd 9776
Min 3.57-03 @Nd 7467
default_Deformation :
Max 1.05+00 @Nd 9776

Shell Thickness = 0.250



1.34+04

1.25+04

1.16+04

1.08+04

9.86+03

8.97+03

8.08+03

7.19+03

6.30+03

5.41+03

4.52+03

3.63+03

2.74+03

1.85+03

9.62+02

7.19+01

default Fringe :
Max 1.34+04 @Nd 7850
Min 7.19+01 @Nd 12364

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Conclusions:

- Stresses are generally at or below allowables (ASME-Grade1 annealed Inconel-625: 27.5ksi, ASTM-B-443).
- Local buckling at RF Launcher port nozzle to shell transition $\lambda = 2.9$ for 0.175" thk. Shell
- $\lambda = 6.7$ for 0.250" thick Shell
- May need to increase shell thickness to a 0.220" minimum thickness to meet code S.F. of 5x