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# Verification of Laminar and Validation of Turbulent Pipe Flows

**ME:5160 Intermediate Mechanics of Fluids**

**CFD LAB 1**

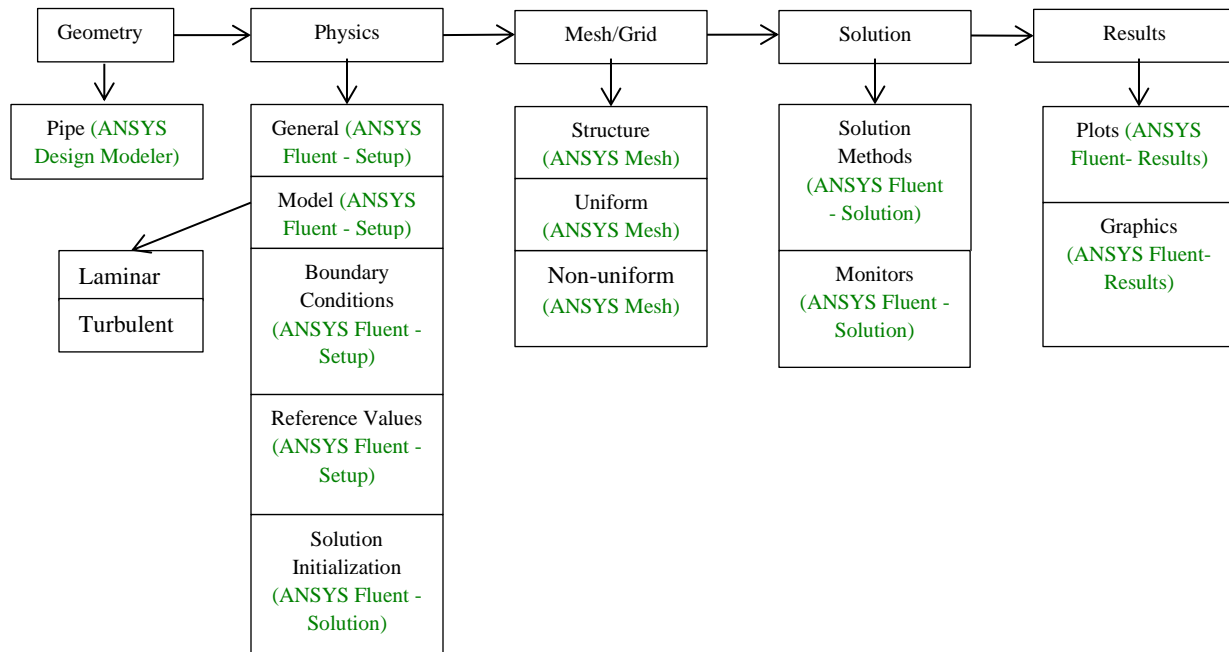
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## 1. Purpose

The Purpose of CFD Lab 1 is to simulate steady **laminar** and **turbulent** pipe flow following the “CFD Process” by an interactive step-by-step approach. Students will have hands-on experiences using ANSYS to compute axial velocity profile, centerline velocity, centerline pressure, and friction factor. Students will conduct **verification studies for friction factor and axial velocity profile** of laminar pipe flows, including iterative error and grid uncertainties and effect of refinement ratio on verification. Students will validate **turbulent pipe flow** simulation using EFD data, analyze the differences between laminar and turbulent flows, and present results in CFD Lab report.



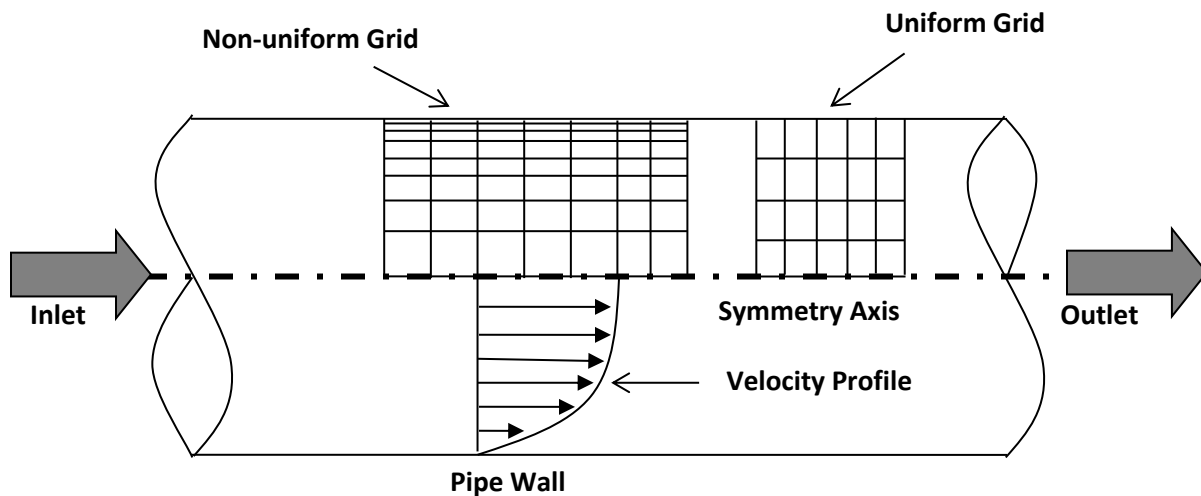
Flow Chart for “CFD Process” for pipe flow

## 2. Simulation Design

In CFD Lab 1, simulation will be conducted for **laminar and turbulent** pipe flows. Reynolds number is 655 for laminar flow and 111,569 for turbulent pipe flow, respectively. The schematic of the problem and the parameters for the simulation are shown below.

**Table 1 - Main Particulars**

Parameter	Unit	Value
Radius of Pipe	m	0.02619
Diameter of Pipe	m	0.05238
Length of the Pipe	m	7.62



Since the flow is axisymmetric we only need to solve the flow in a single plane from the centerline to the pipe wall. **Boundary conditions** need to be specified include **inlet**, **outlet**, **wall**, and **axis**, as will be described details later. Uniform flow was specified at inlet, the flow will reach the fully developed regions after a certain distance downstream. No-slip boundary condition will be used on the wall and constant pressure for outlet. Symmetric boundary condition will be applied on the pipe axis. Uniform grids will be used for the laminar flow whereas non-uniform grid will be used for the turbulent flow.

**Table 2 - Grids**

Grid/Mesh	Grid/Mesh Type	# of Divisions	
		X	R
8	Uniform	453	45
7		319	32
6		226	23
4		113	11
3		80	8
2		56	6
0		28	3
T	Non-uniform	564	15

Experimental, analytical results, and simulation results will be compared. Additionally, detailed verification and validation study will be conducted. All the studies are detailed in the Table 3. In this manual, detailed instructions are given for the laminar flow simulation and turbulent flow simulation using uniform grid 8 and non-uniform grid respectively. For the rest of the simulations, the grid and simulation setups have been provided with workbench uploaded on the class website:

- (1) go to “[http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me\\_160/](http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me_160/)”
- (2) go to “CFD Labs” tab
- (3) go to “CFD Lab1: Pipe Flow” tab
- (4) download “CFD Lab1 Workbench” by clicking “Download”

Please refer to the exercise at the end of the manual to *determine* the data and figures that need to be saved before you analyze (postprocess) any result. Even though the manual shows every possible step for analyzing the data at Section 7 & 8, only certain subsections (e.g. 7.3, 7.4, 7.7) will be required for each exercise.

**Table 3 - Simulation Matrix**

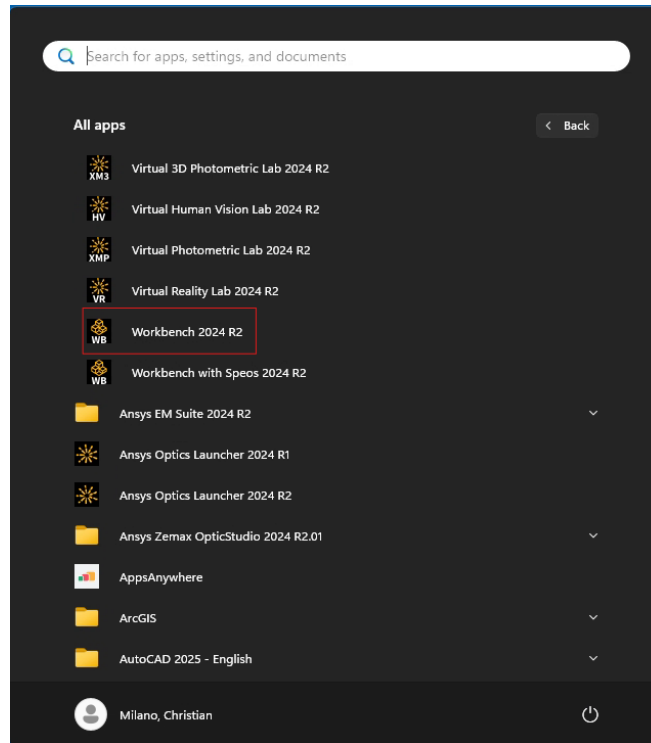
Study	Grid	Model
V&V of friction factor and axial velocity profile	2,3,4	Laminar
V&V of friction factor	6,7,8	
V&V of friction factor	0,2,4	
V&V of friction factor	4,6,8	
Axial velocity, centerline velocity	8	
Axial velocity, centerline pressure, centerline velocity	T	Turbulent

All analytical data (AFD) and experimental data (EFD) needed for the comparison with laminar and turbulent flow CFD results, respectively, can be downloaded from the class website again:

- (1) go to “[http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me\\_160/](http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me_160/)”
- (2) Click RMB on “axialvelocityAFD-laminar-pipe.xy” and select “Save link as...”
- (3) Click RMB on “axialvelocityEFD-turbulent-pipe.xy” and select “Save link as...”
- (4) Click RMB on “pressure-EFD-turbulent-pipe.xy” and select “Save link as...”

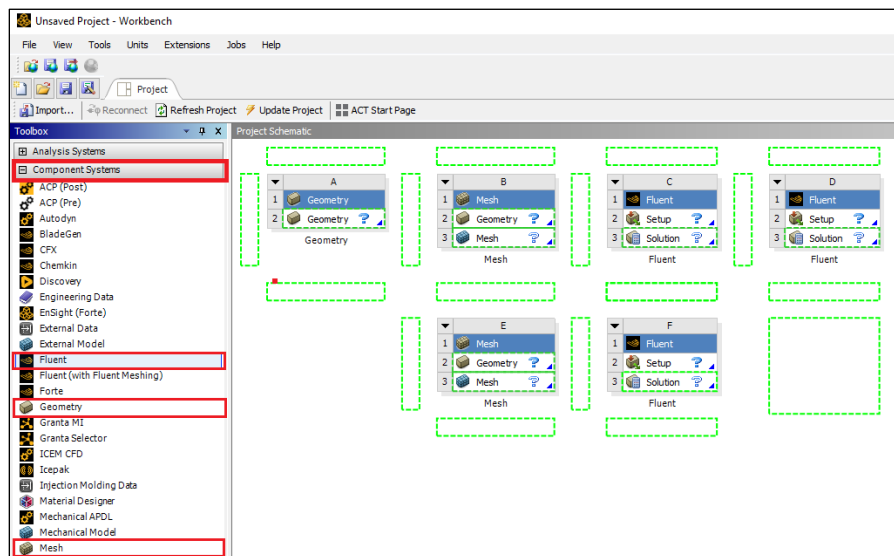
### 3. Open ANSYS Workbench Template

#### 3.1. Start > All Programs > ANSYS 2024 R2 > Workbench 2024 R2

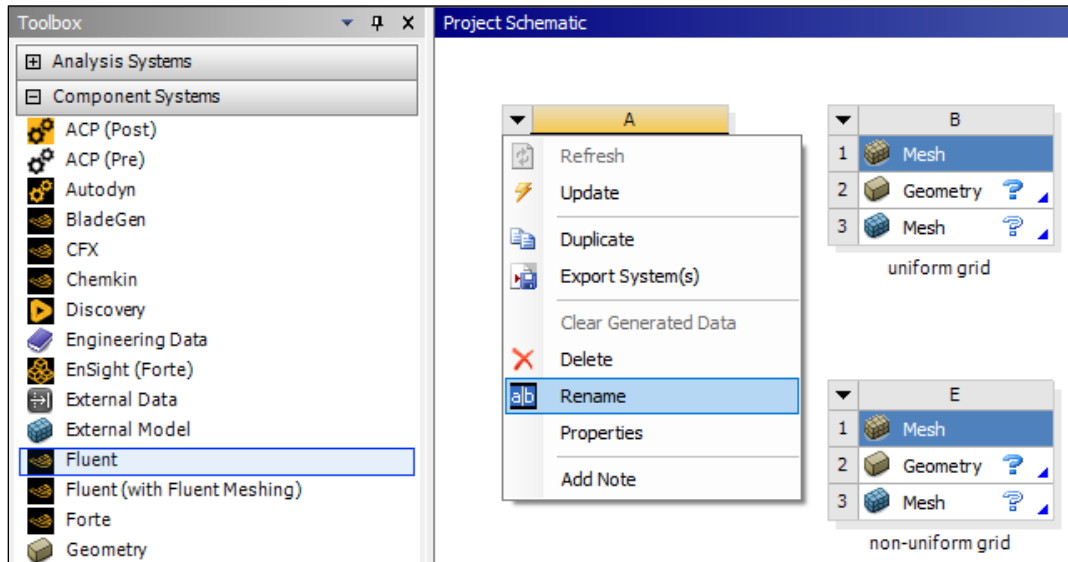


3.2. You can ignore all the pop-ups by clicking “Cancel” if you see any.

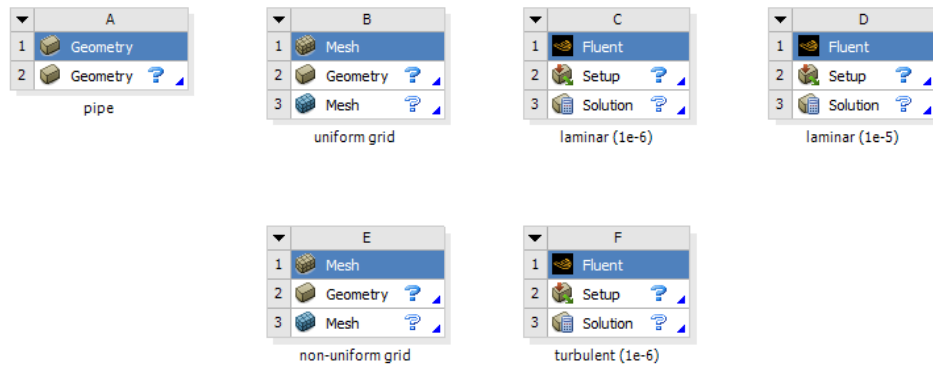
3.3. **Toolbox > Component Systems. Click and Drag & Drop [Geometry], [Mesh] and [Fluent] components to Project Schematic as per below.**



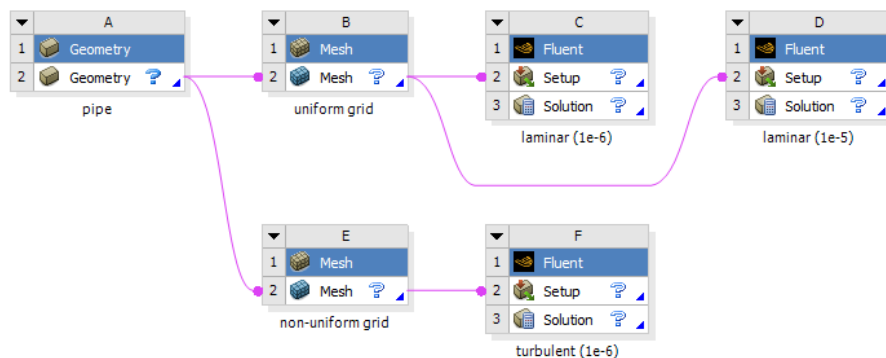
- 3.4. Click on the drop down arrow and select **Rename**. Change the names as per below to avoid any confusion during the work.



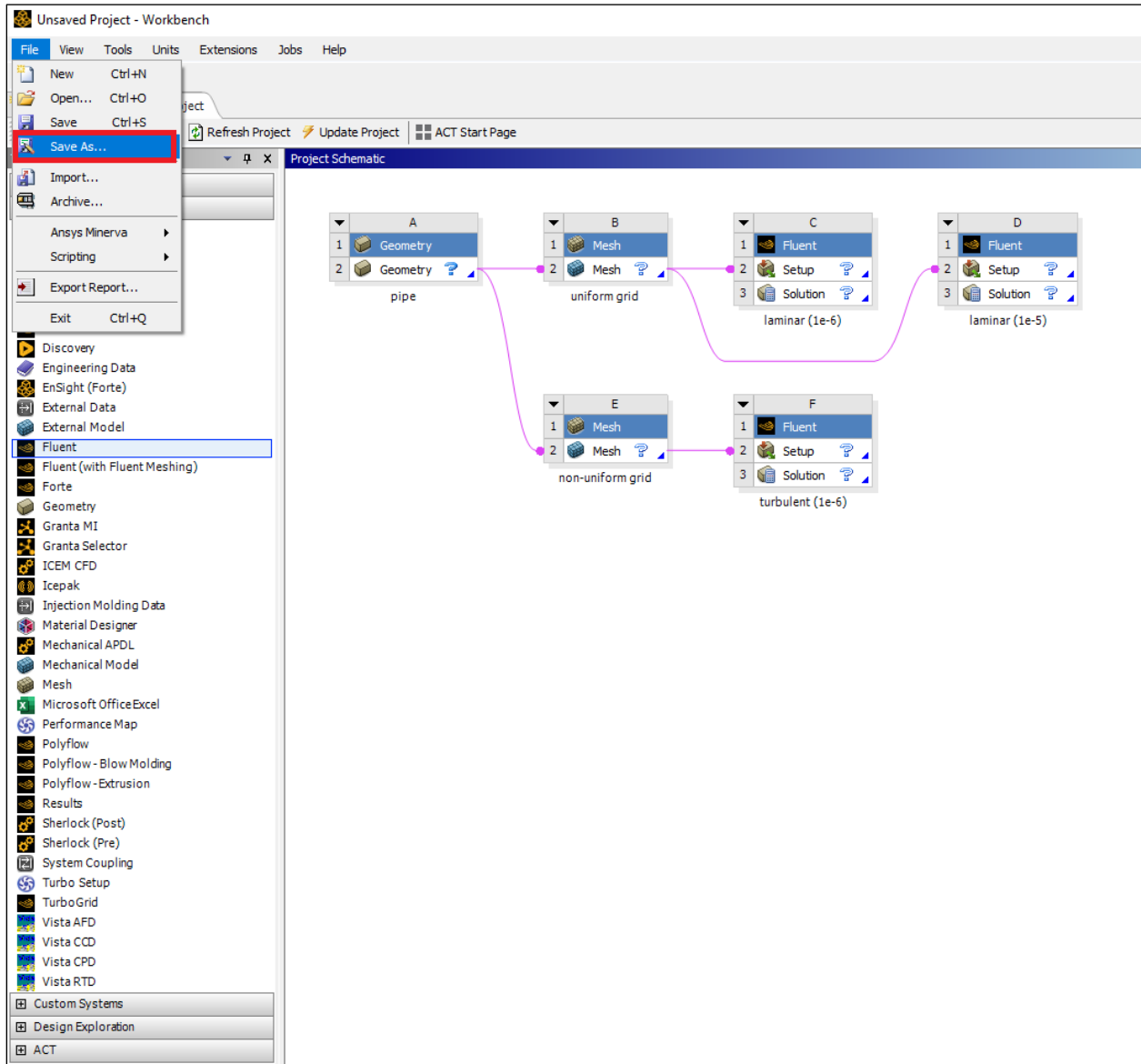
Result:



- 3.5. Create connections between component as per below. To make connections, click and drag the [Geometry ?] box to the [Mesh ?] box, and the [Mesh ?] box to the [Setup ?] box as per below.

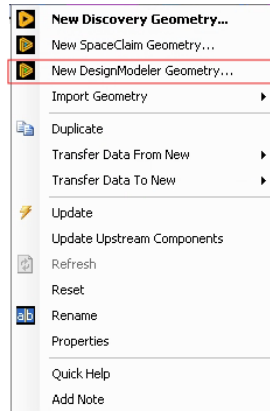


**3.6. File > Save As.** Save the workbench file to H drive (i.e. [home.iowa.uiowa.edu](http://home.iowa.uiowa.edu) drive). The H drive is shared between the computers in engineering labs.

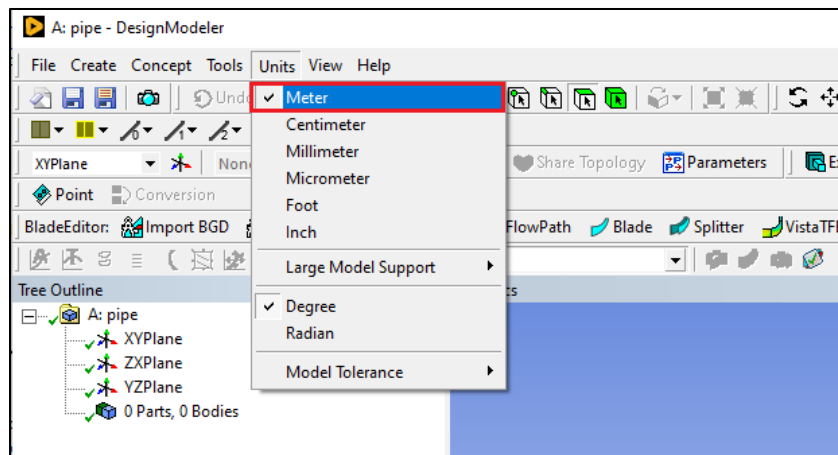


## 4. Geometry Creation

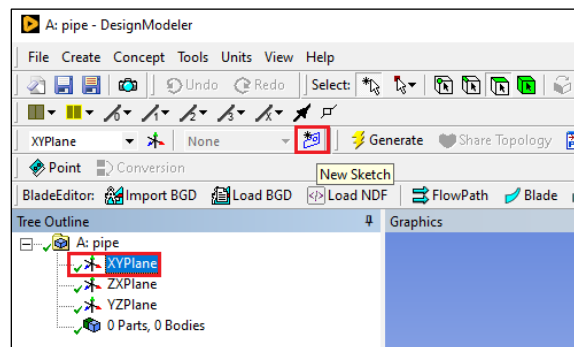
4.1. Right click **Geometry** and select **New DesignModelerGeometry...** (Since all the geometries are linked together, only one geometry creation is required)



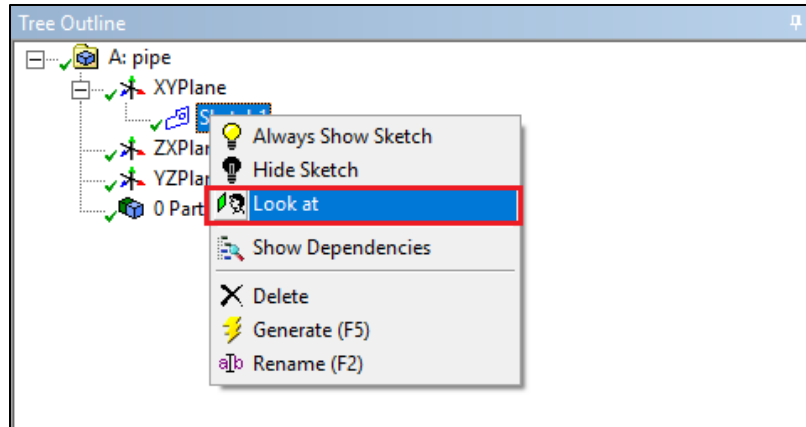
4.2. Make sure that Unit is set to **Meter** (default value).



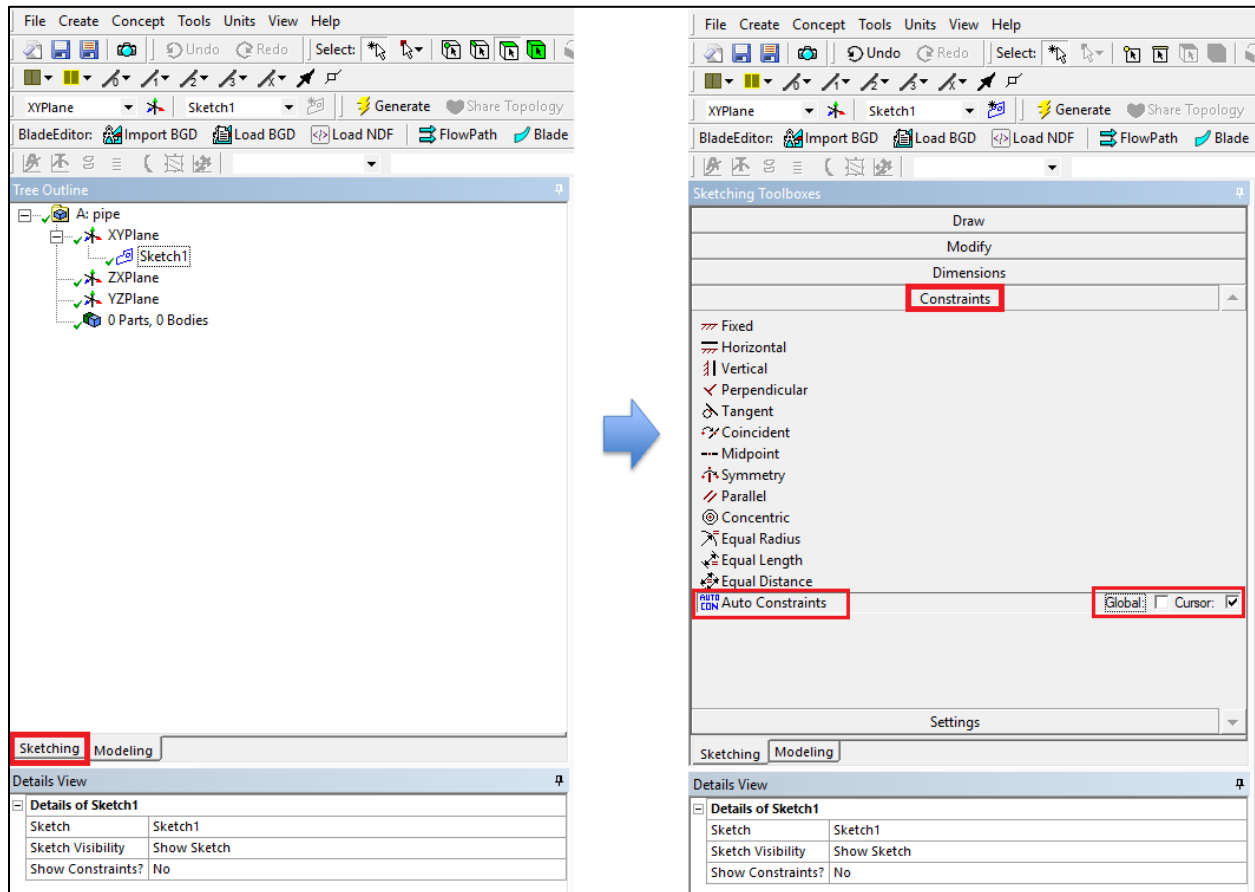
4.3. Select the **XYPlane** under the **Tree Outline** and click **New Sketch** button.



4.4. Right click **Sketch1** and select **Look at**.

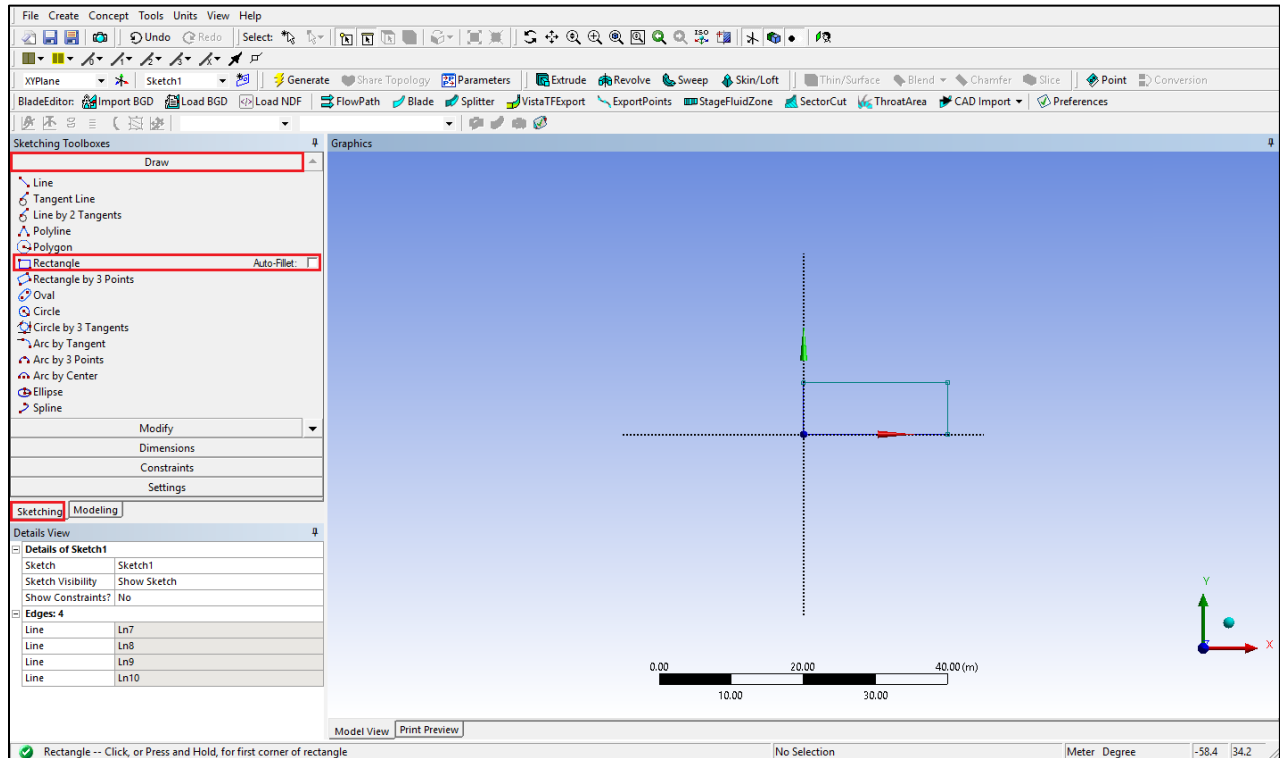


4.5. Enable the auto constraints option to pick the exact point as below. Select **Sketching > Constraints > Auto Constraints** > make sure Cursor is selected.

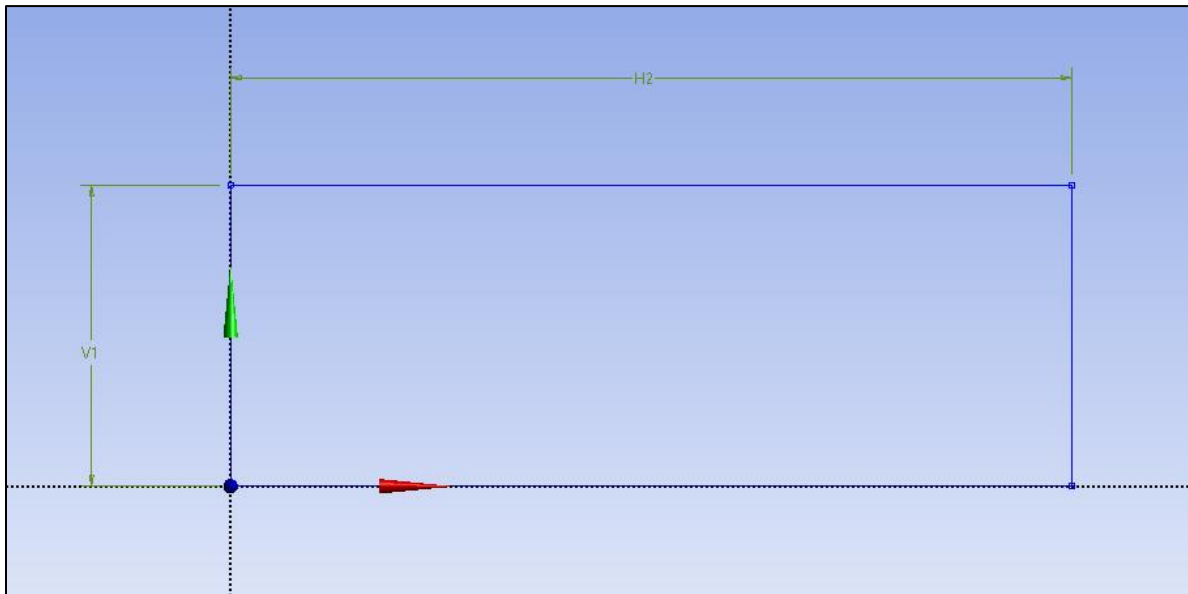




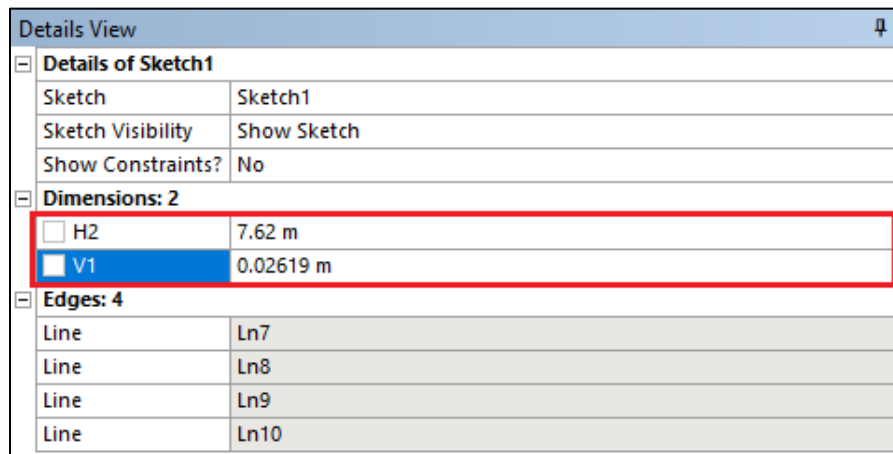
4.6. Select **Sketching** > **Draw** > **Rectangle**. Create a rectangle geometry as per below. The cursor will show “P” when it is on the origin point.



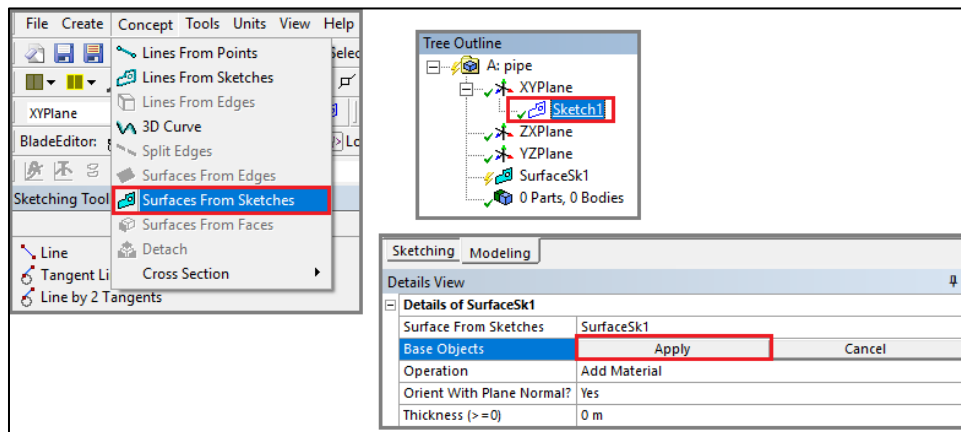
4.7. Select **Sketching** > **Dimensions** > **General**. Click on top edge then click anywhere else. Repeat the same thing for one of the vertical edges. You should have a similar figure as per below.



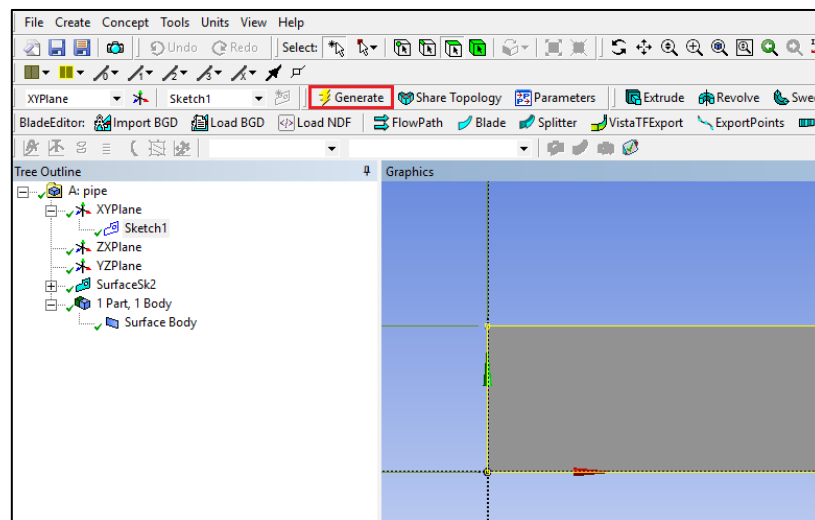
4.8. Click on **H2** under **Details View** and change it to **7.62m**. Click on **V1** and change it to **0.02619m**. Always omit units (“m” for this time) when you put in values.



4.9. **Concept > Surfaces From Sketches** and select **Sketch1** from the **Tree Outline** and hit **Apply on Base Objects** under **Details view**.

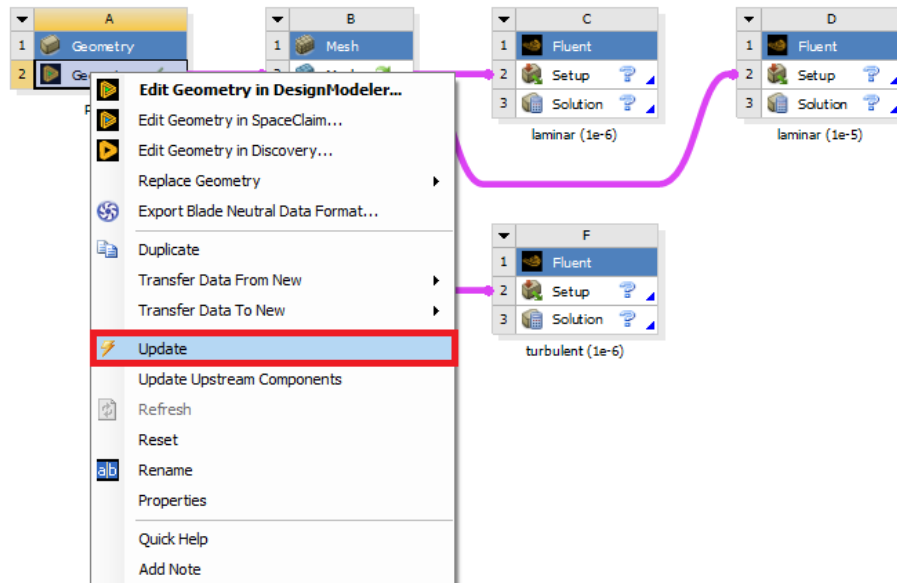


4.10. Click **Generate**. This will create a surface.



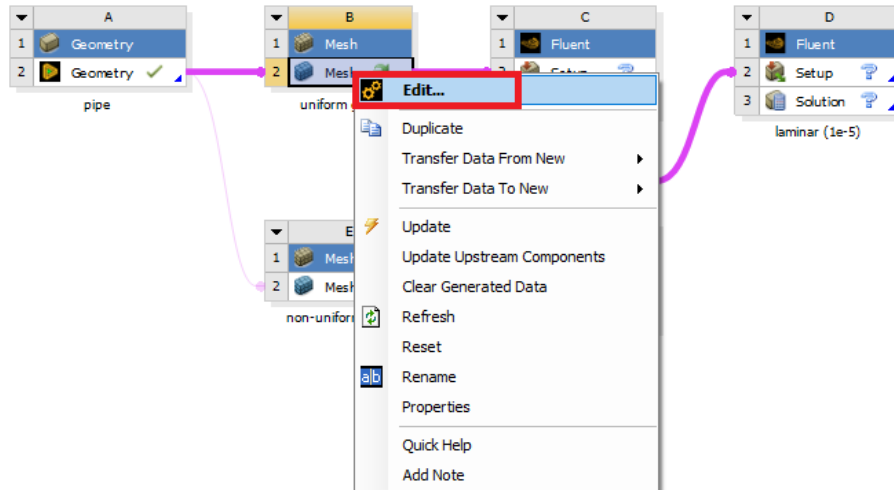
**4.11. File > Save Project.** Save project and close window.

**4.12.** If you see the lightning sign next to **Geometry** in the workbench then right click on the **Geometry** and click **Update** as shown below. If you don't see the check mark after the update, then you may have made a mistake when you were creating the geometry.

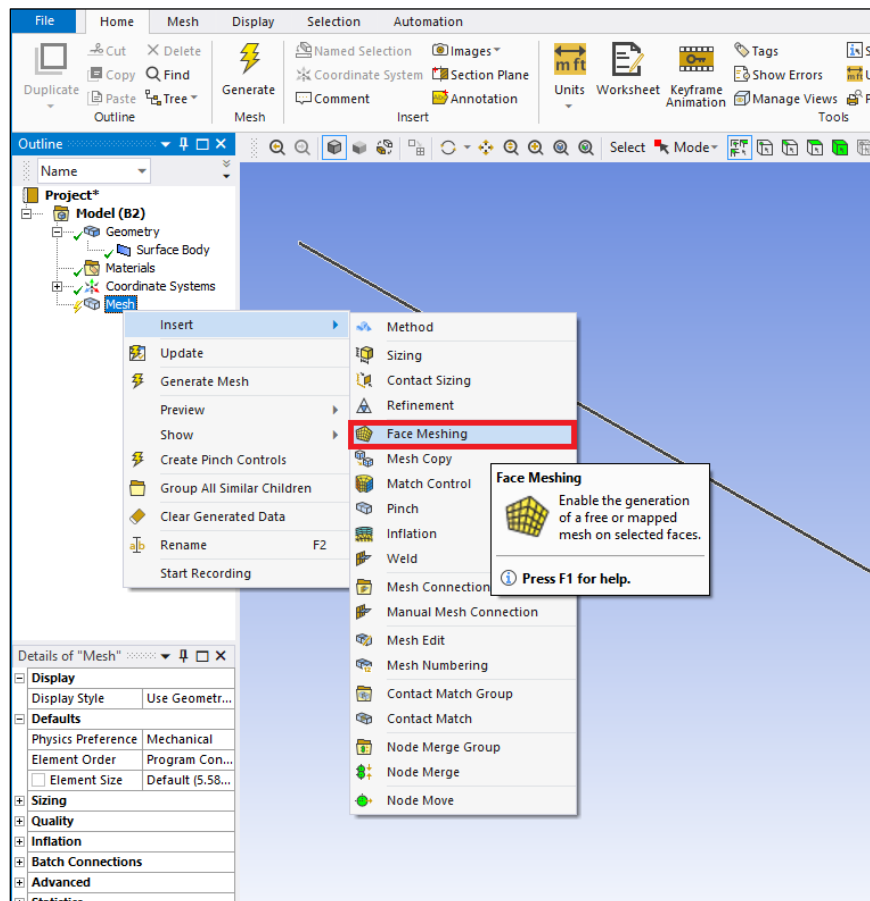


## 5. Mesh Generation

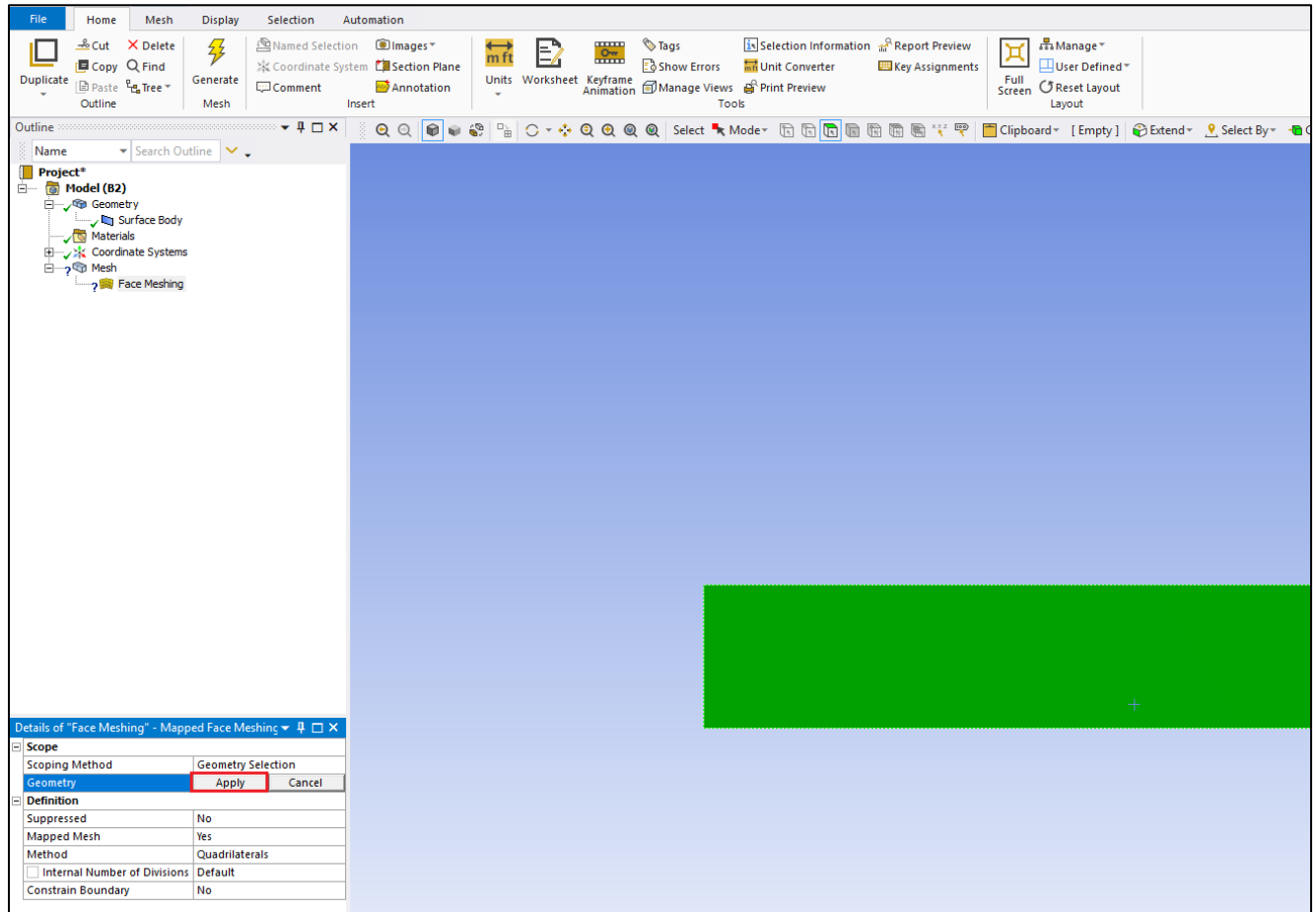
### 5.1. Right click on **Mesh** and select **Edit**.



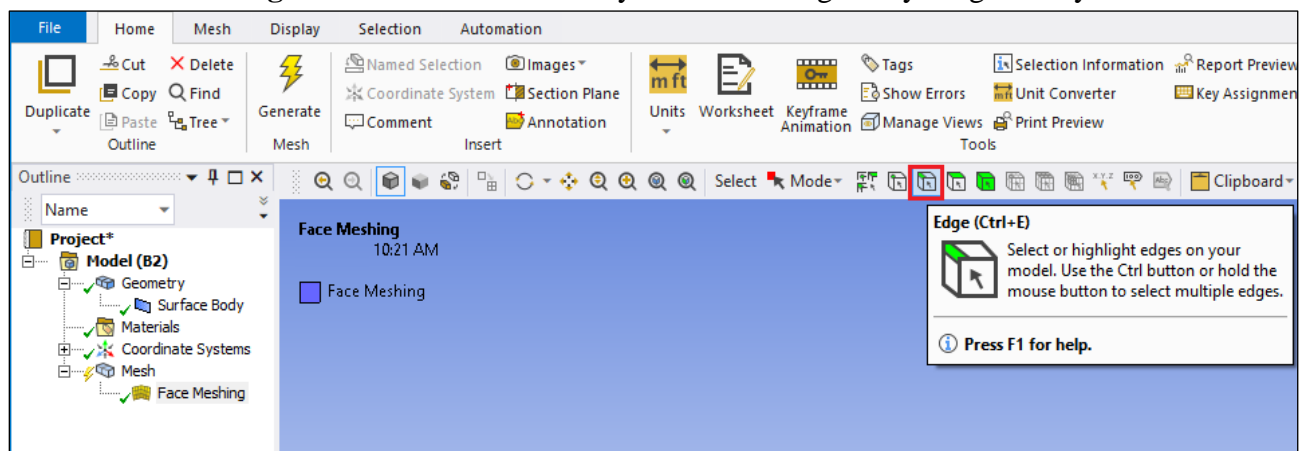
### 5.2. Right click on **Mesh** then select **Insert > Face Meshing**.



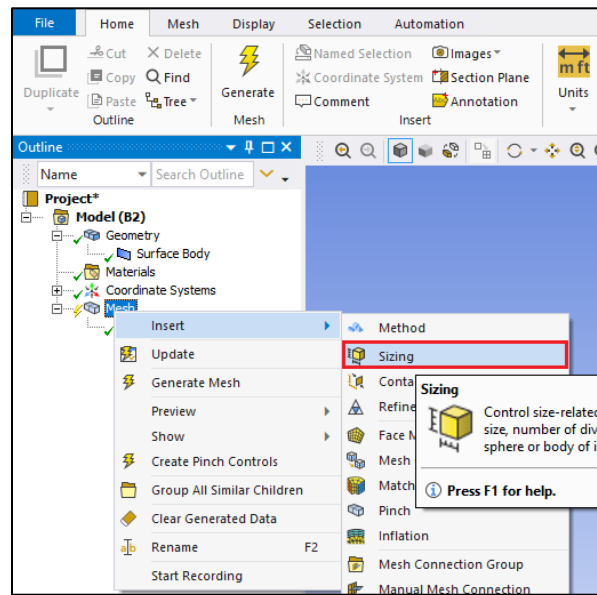
5.3. Select the pipe geometry by clicking anywhere on the pipe surface, then click the yellow box that says “No Selection” and click **Apply**. (From now on, rotate the view to xy-plane by clicking z-axis of 3D axis located at right bottom of the screen. You can drag and drop with right mouse button to zoom in. You can press F7 to restore the view.)



5.4. Click on the **Edge Button**. This will allow you to select edges of your geometry.



5.5. Right click on **Mesh** then select **Insert > Sizing**.



5.6. Hold Ctrl and select the top and bottom edge then click **Apply** in the **Details** box for **Geometry** on the right. Specify details of sizing as per below depending on the case.

### Laminar

Details of "Edge Sizing" - Sizing	
<b>Scope</b>	
Scoping Method	Geometry Selection
Geometry	2 Edges
<b>Definition</b>	
Suppressed	No
Type	Number of Divisions
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of Divisions	453
<b>Advanced</b>	
Behavior	Hard
Capture Curvature	No
Capture Proximity	No
Bias Type	No Bias

### Turbulent

Details of "Edge Sizing" - Sizing	
<b>Scope</b>	
Scoping Method	Geometry Selection
Geometry	2 Edges
<b>Definition</b>	
Suppressed	No
Type	Number of Divisions
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of Divisions	564
<b>Advanced</b>	
Behavior	Hard
Capture Curvature	No
Capture Proximity	No
Bias Type	No Bias

- 5.7. Repeat step 5.5. Select the left and right edge and click **Apply** for uniform grid flow and change sizing parameters as per below. Change the sizing parameters separately for non-uniform grid as per below. Make sure to select edges individually when changing sizing parameters for non-uniform grid.

### Uniform Grid 8

Details of "Edge Sizing 2" - Sizing	
<b>Scope</b>	
Scoping Method	Geometry Selection
Geometry	2 Edges
<b>Definition</b>	
Suppressed	No
Type	Number of Divisions
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of Divisions	45
<b>Advanced</b>	
Behavior	Hard
Capture Curvature	No
Capture Proximity	No
Bias Type	No Bias

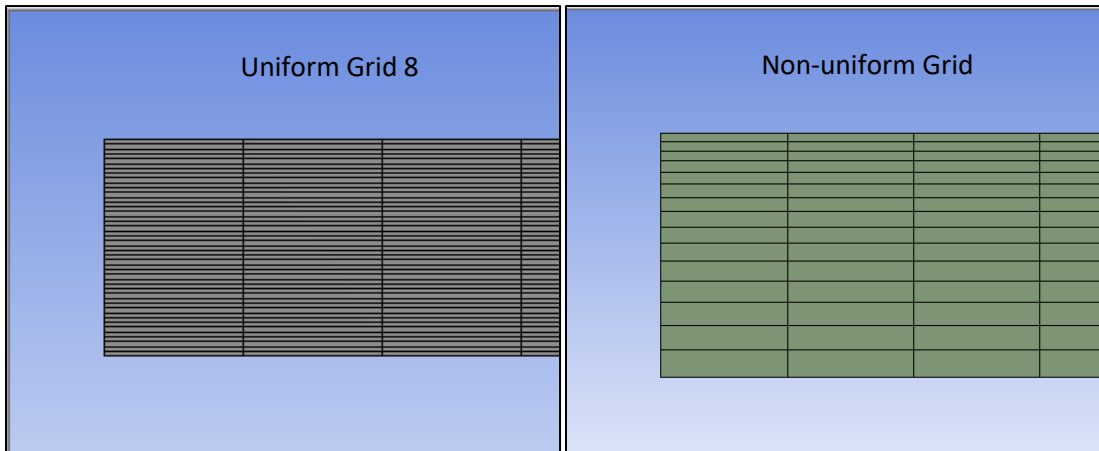
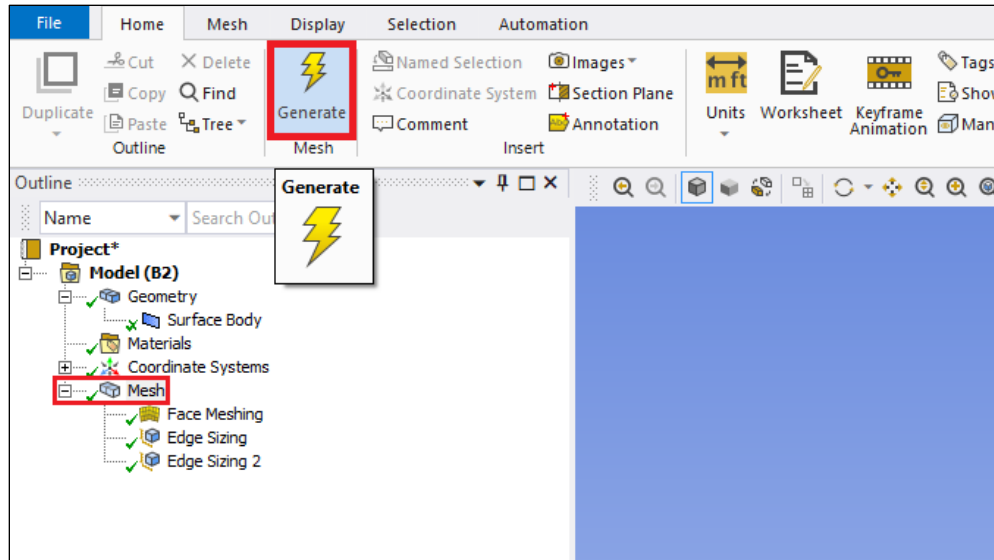
### Non-uniform Grid Left Edge

Details of "Edge Sizing 2" - Sizing	
<b>Scope</b>	
Scoping Method	Geometry Selection
Geometry	1 Edge
<b>Definition</b>	
Suppressed	No
Type	Number of Divisions
<input type="checkbox"/> Number of Divisions	15
<b>Advanced</b>	
Behavior	Hard
Capture Curvature	No
Capture Proximity	No
Bias Type	- - - - -
Bias Option	Bias Factor
<input type="checkbox"/> Bias Factor	3.1117
Reverse Bias	No Selection

### Non-uniform Grid Right Edge

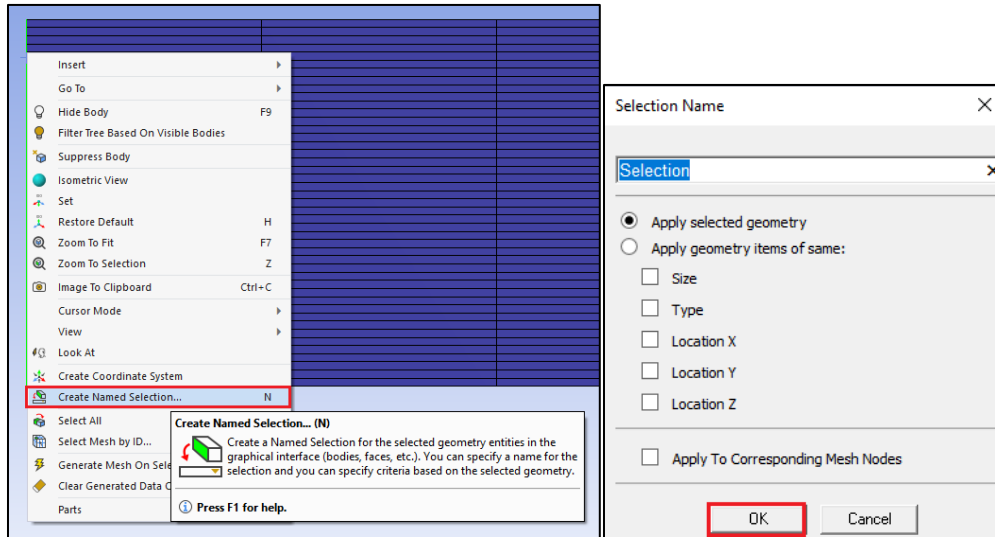
Details of "Edge Sizing 3" - Sizing	
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Scoping Method	Geometry Selection
Geometry	1 Edge
<b>Definition</b>	
Suppressed	No
Type	Number of Divisions
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<b>Advanced</b>	
Behavior	Hard
Capture Curvature	No
Capture Proximity	No
Bias Type	_____ - - - - -
Bias Option	Bias Factor
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Reverse Bias	No Selection

5.8. Click on **Generate Mesh** button and click **Mesh** under **Outline** to show mesh.



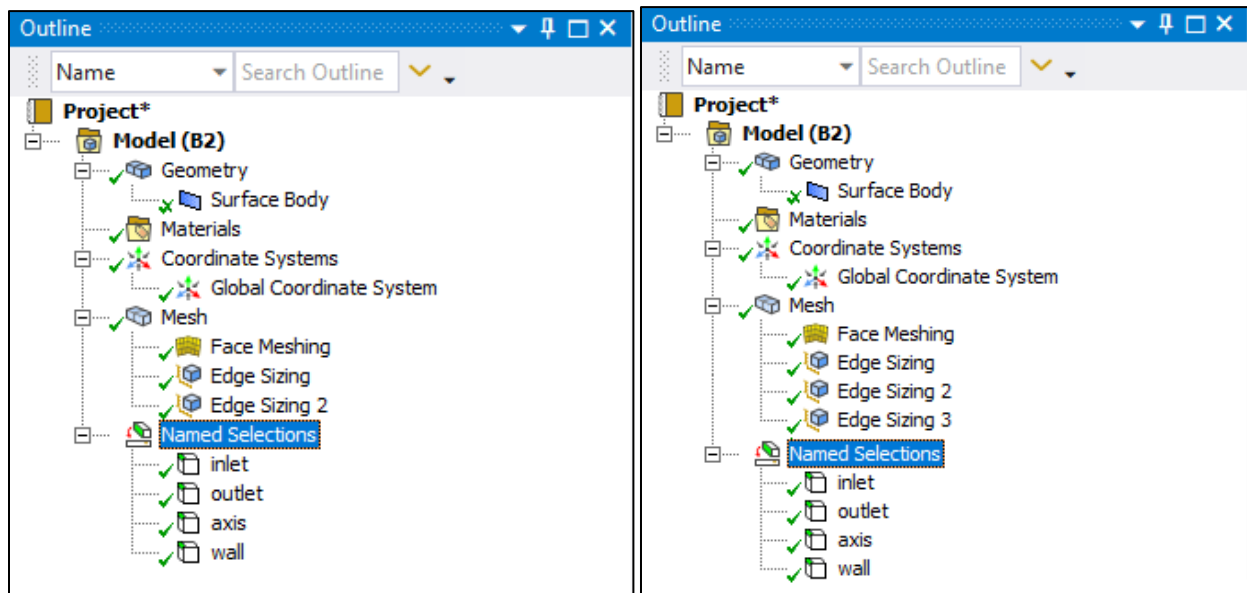


- 5.9. Change the edge names by clicking on the edge, clicking RMB and selecting **Create Named Selection**. Name left, right, bottom and top edges as inlet, outlet, axis and wall respectively. At this stage, your outline should look same as the figure below.

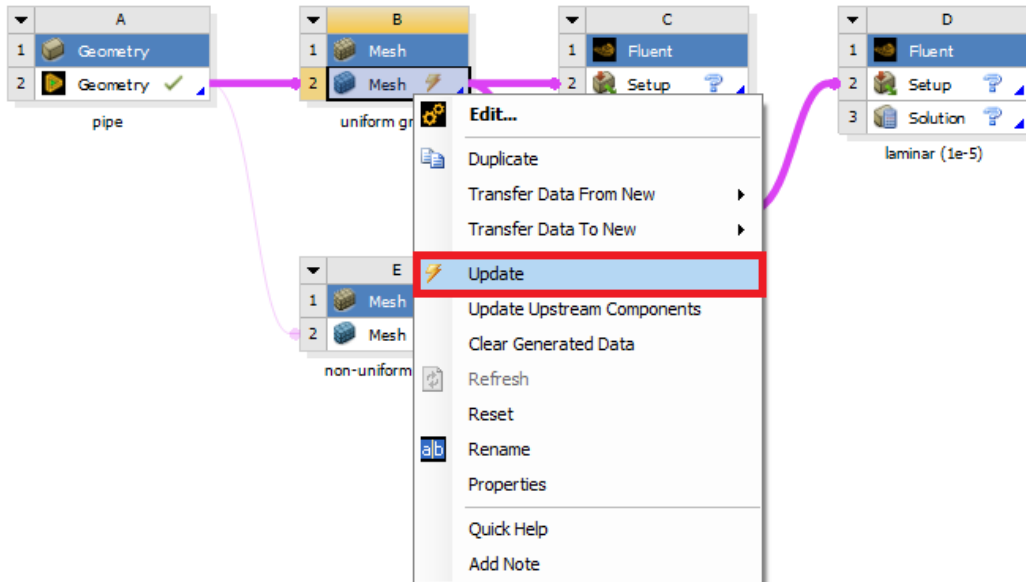


Uniform Grid 8

Non-uniform Grid

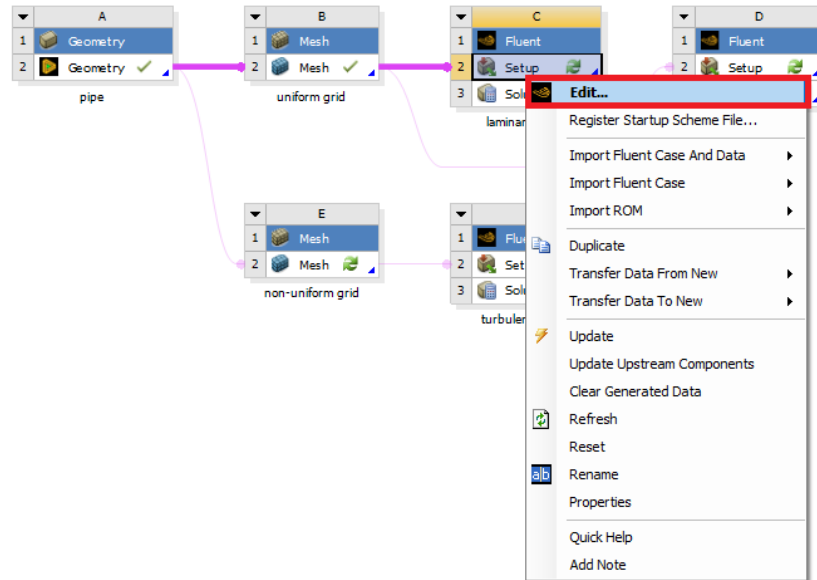


**5.10. File > Save Project.** Save the project and close the window. Update mesh by clicking RMB on **Mesh** and clicking **Update** on Workbench.

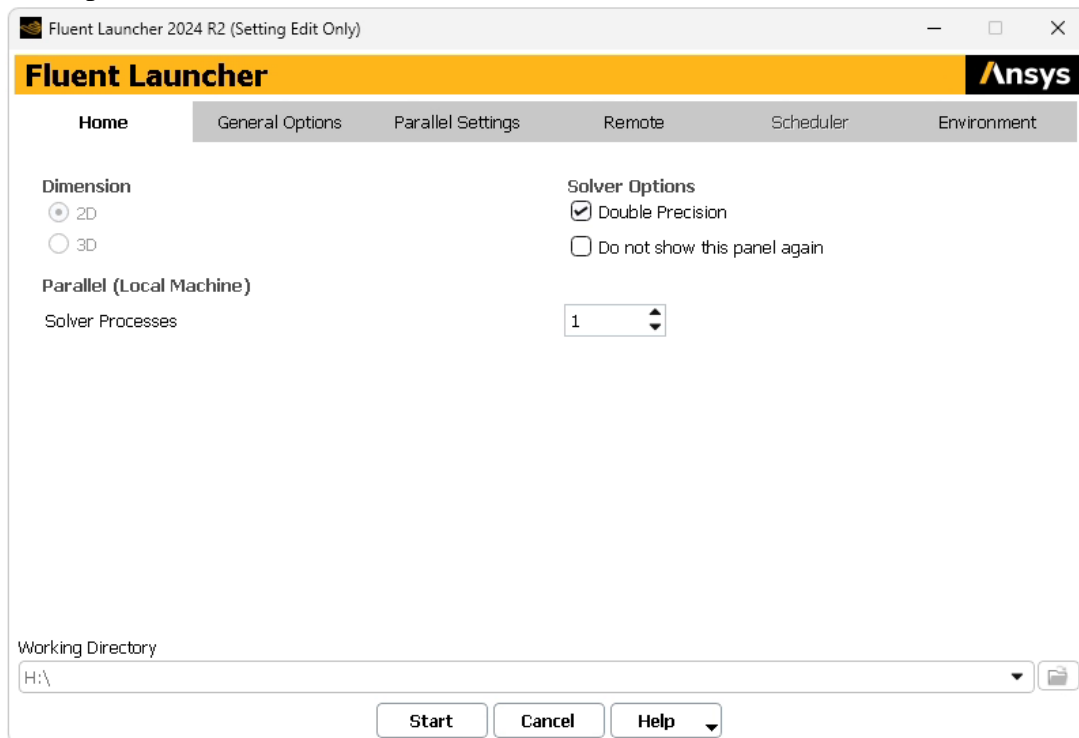


## 6. Solve

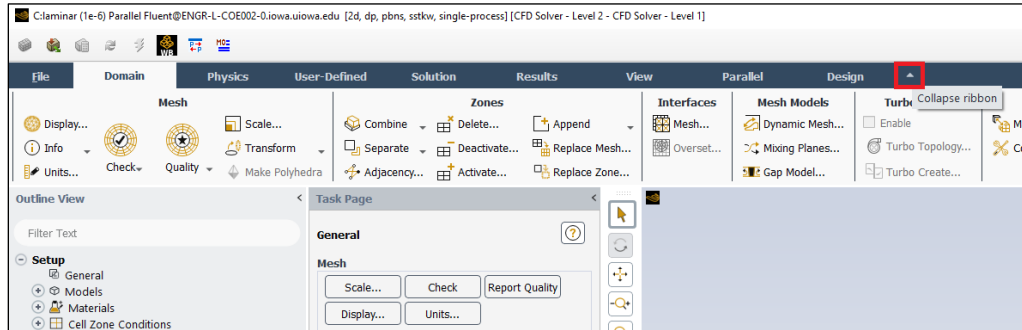
### 6.1. Right click **Setup** and select **Edit**.



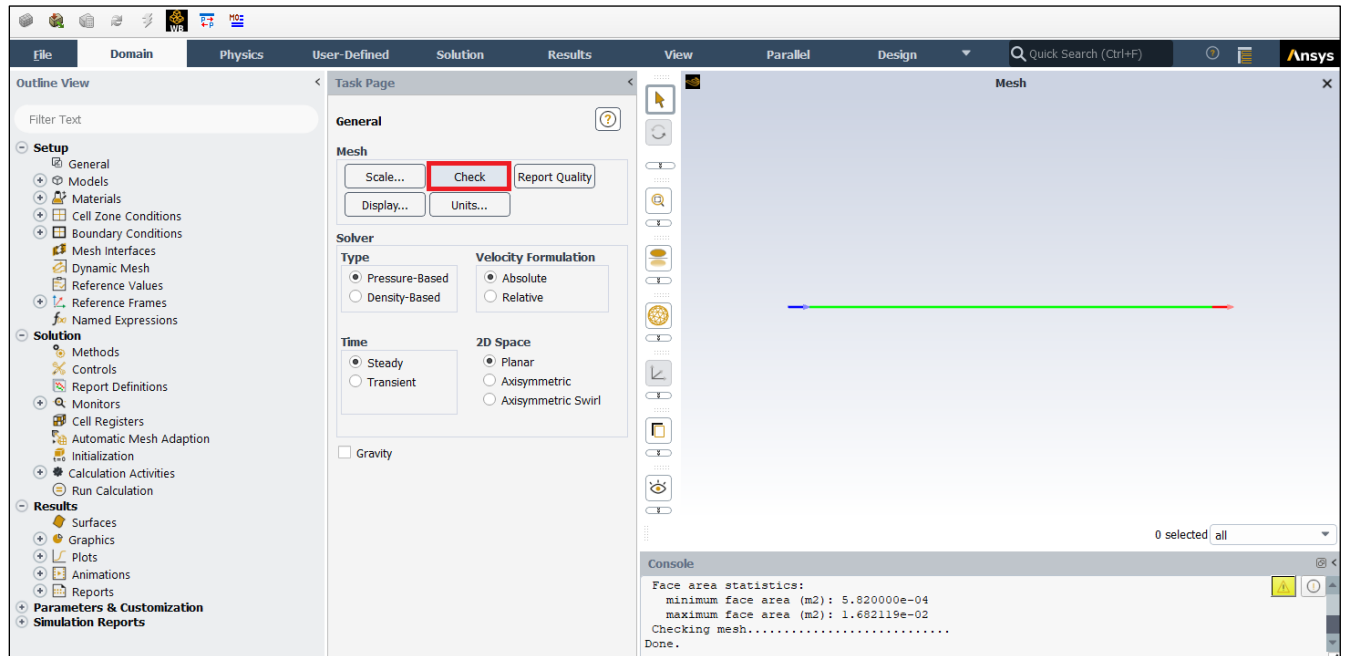
### 6.2. Under options check **Double Precision** and click **START**.



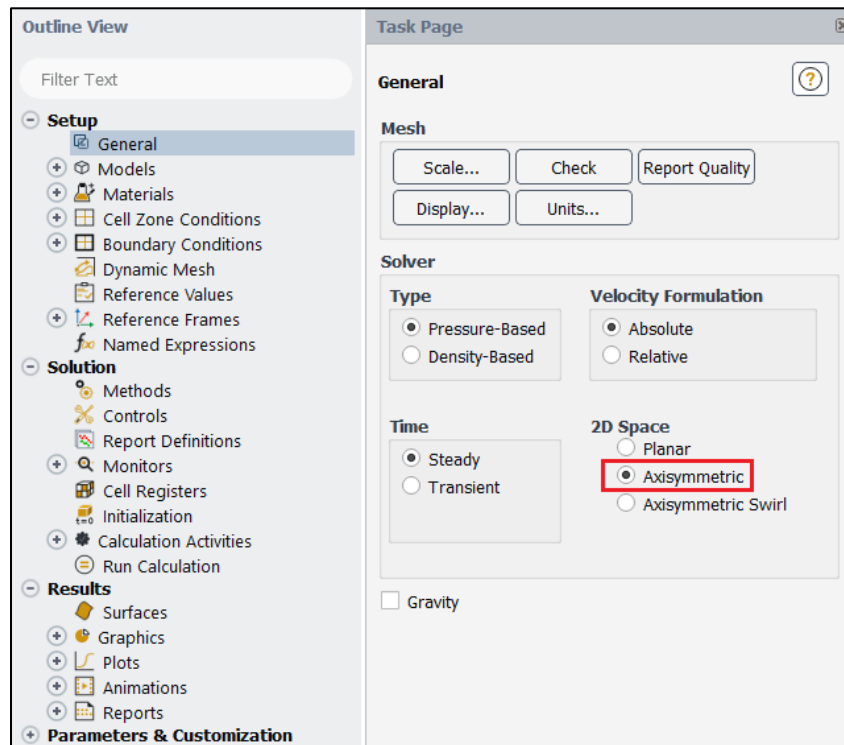
**6.3.** Fold the upper tool box by clicking the button inside the red box to avoid any confusion. For this section 6, the “tree outline” on the left side bar will be used only.



**6.4. Tree > Setup > General > Check.** You may ignore the *warning* messages if pop up. (Note: If you get an *error* message you may have made a mistake while creating your mesh)



6.5. Setup > General > Solver. Choose an option shown below.

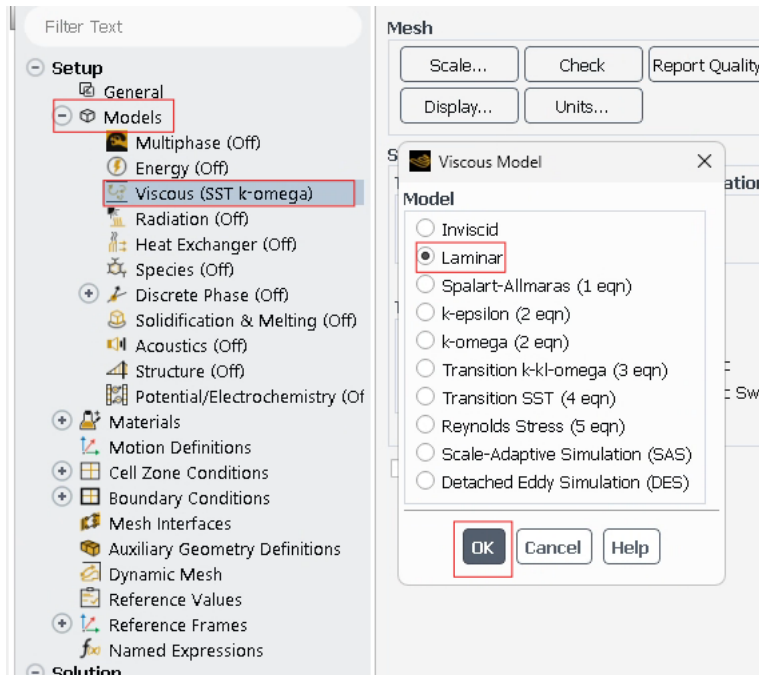


Axis Boundary Condition								
Model	Laminar			Turbulent				
Variable	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	k [m <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>2</sup> ]	e [m <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>3</sup> ]
Magnitude	-	0	-	-	0	-	-	-
Zero Gradient	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y

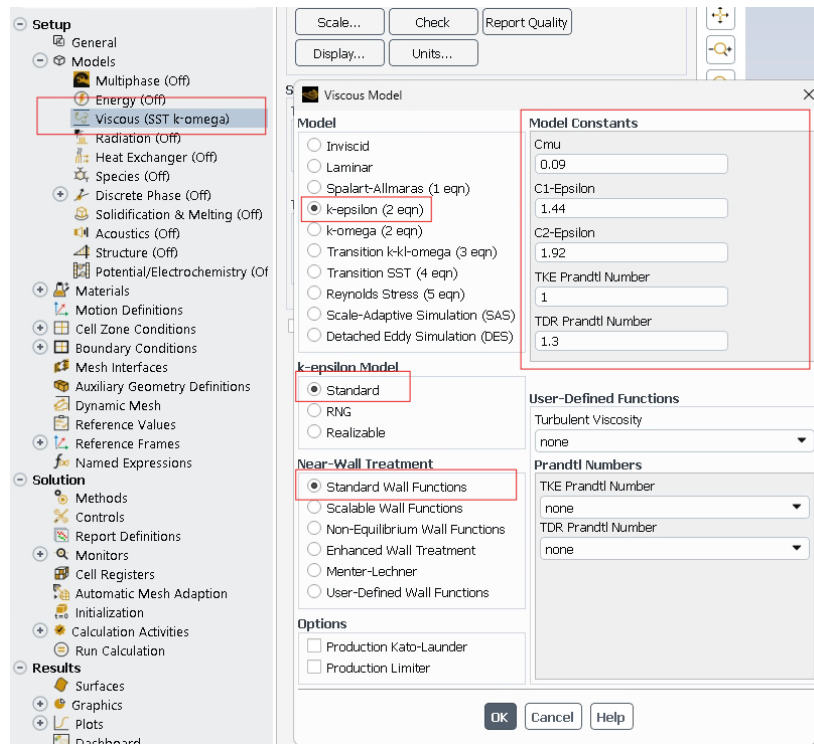
(above table explains the adaption of axisymmetric condition for the “axis” boundary condition)

6.6. Tree > Setup > Models > Viscous (double click). Select parameters as per below and click OK(Apply).

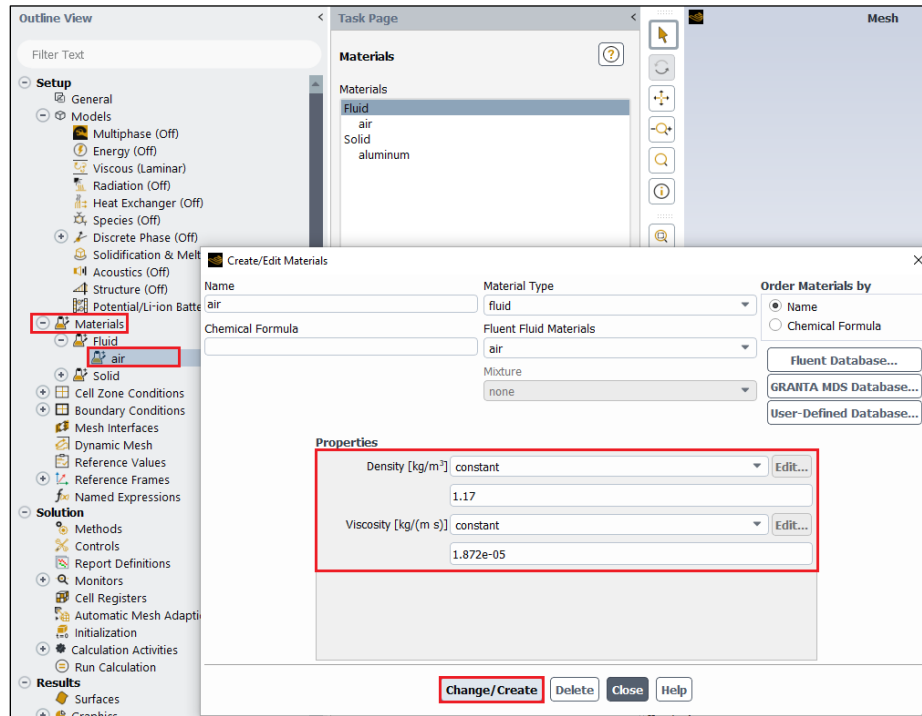
### Laminar flow



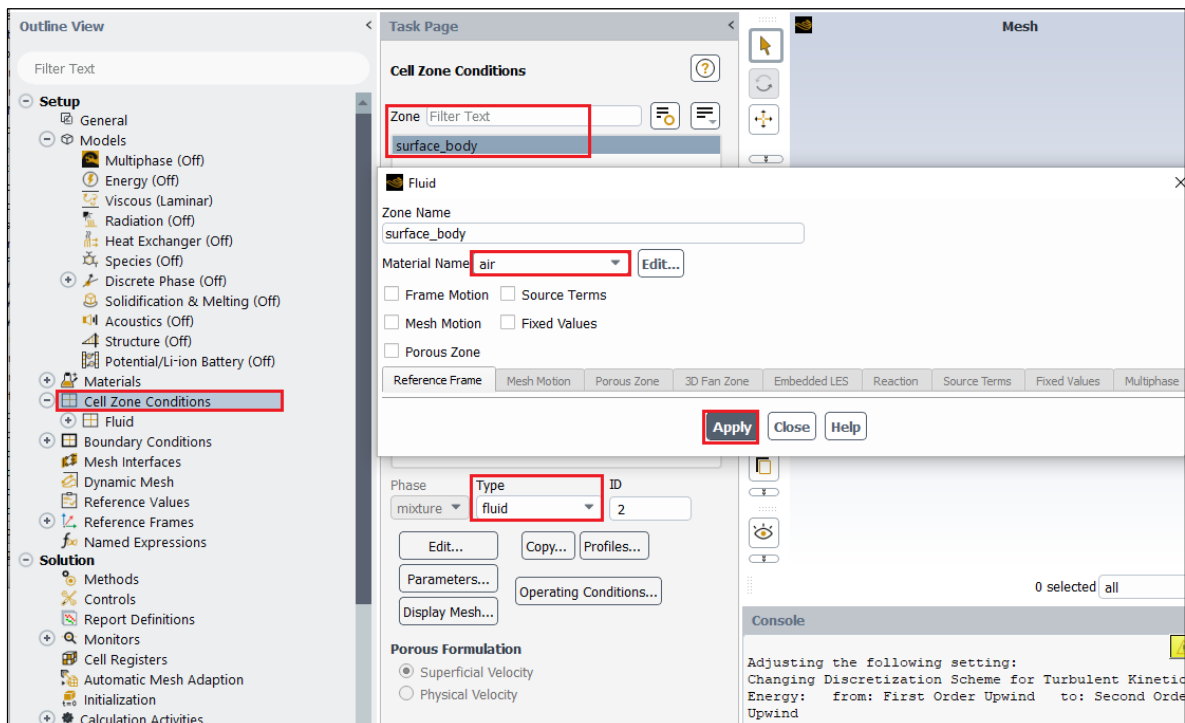
### Turbulent flow



**6.7. Tree > Setup > Materials > Fluid > air (double click). Change the Density and Viscosity as per below and click Change/Create. Close the dialog box when finished.**

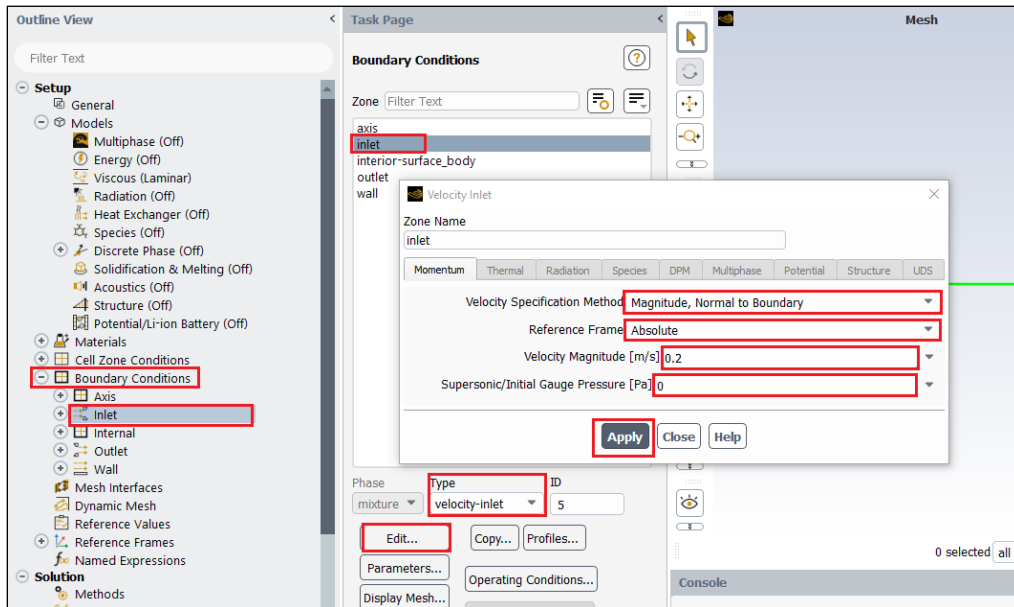


**6.8. Tree > Setup > Cell Zone Conditions(Double click) > Zone > surface\_body. Change type to fluid, make sure air is selected and click Apply.**

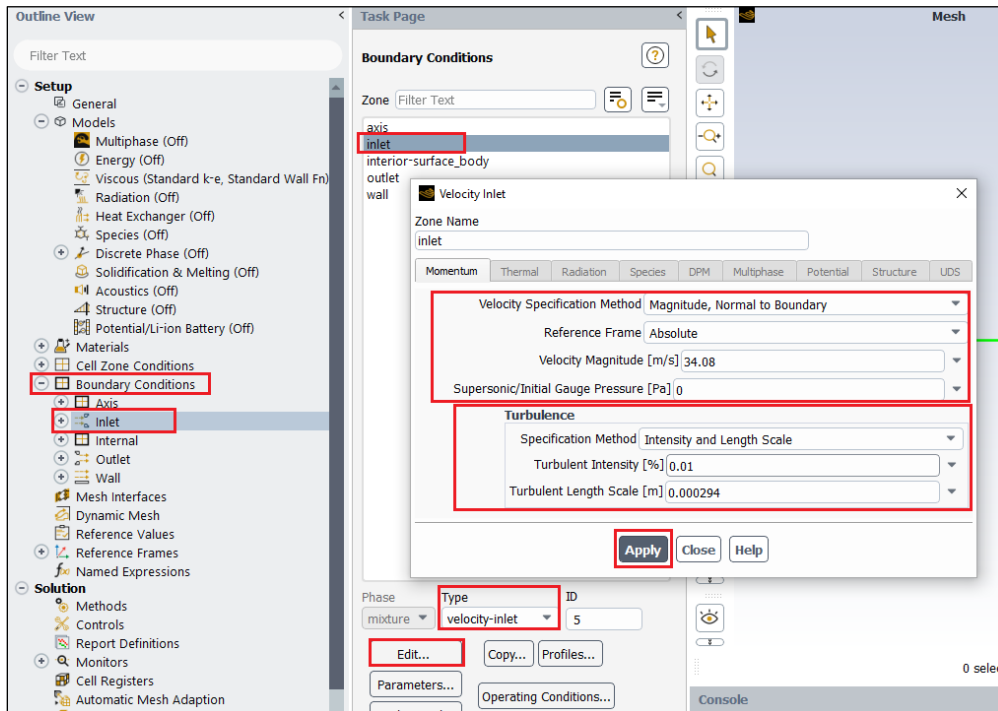


6.9. Tree > Setup > Boundary Conditions > inlet (double click). Change parameters as per below and click Apply.

**Laminar flow**



**Turbulent flow**

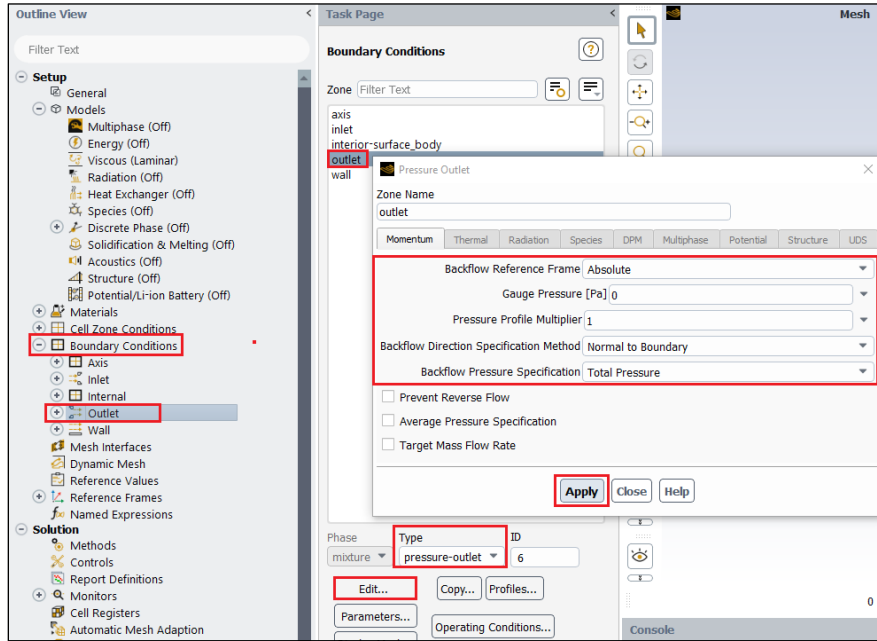


Inlet Boundary Condition								
Model	Laminar			Turbulent				
Variable	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	Intensity	Length Scale
Magnitude	0.2	0	-	34.08	0	-	0.01	0.000294
Zero Gradient	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N

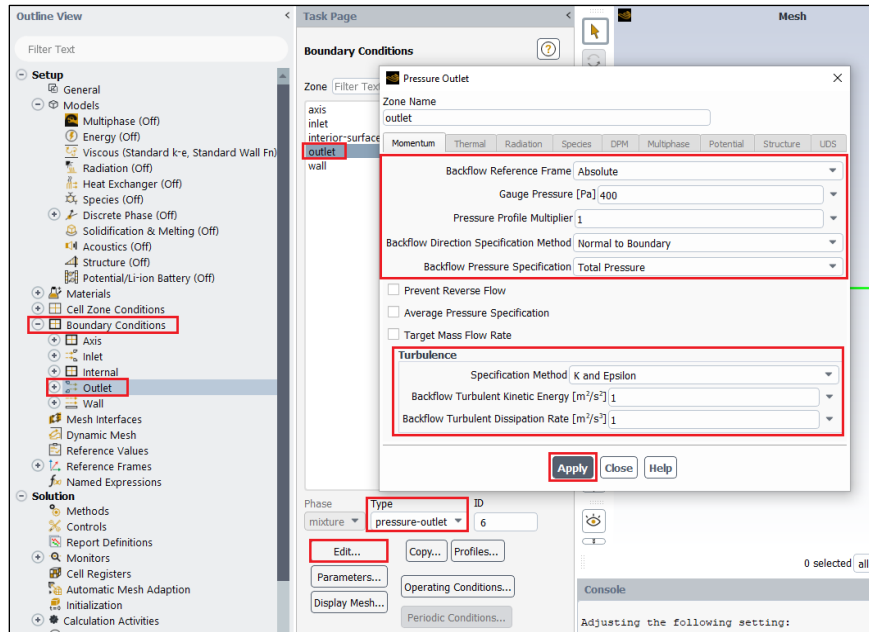


**6.10. Tree > Setup > Boundary Conditions > outlet (double click) or click Edit....** Change parameters as per below and click **Apply**.

**Laminar flow**



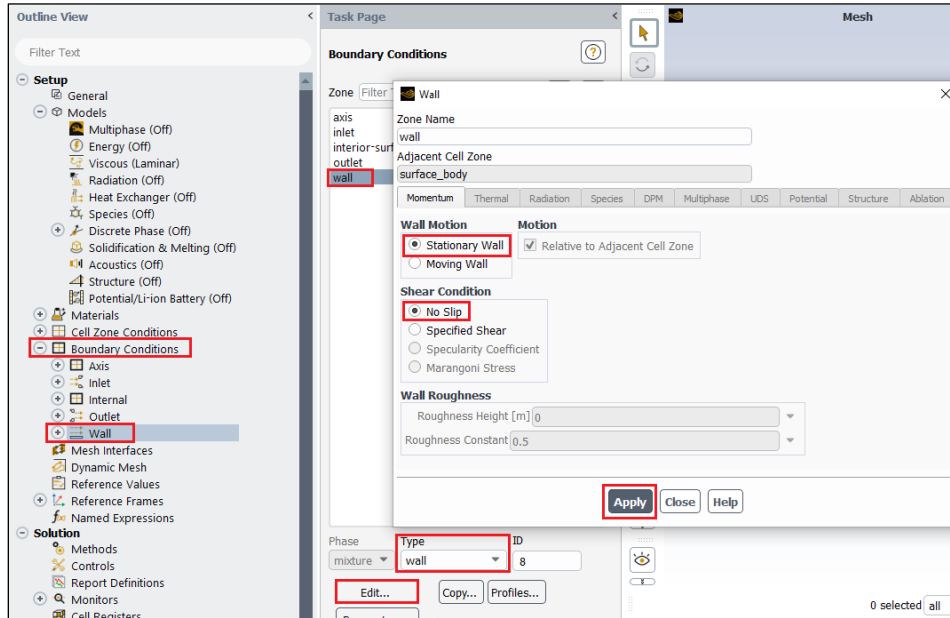
**Turbulent flow**



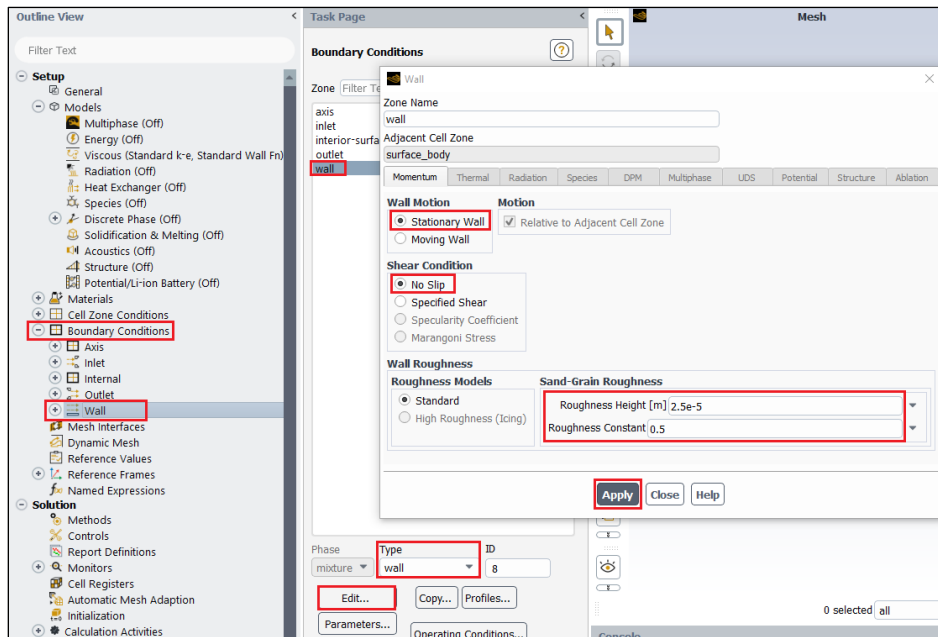
Outlet Boundary Condition								
Model	Laminar			Turbulent				
Variable	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	k [m²/s²]	e [m²/s³]
Magnitude	-	-	0	-	-	400	1	1
Zero Gradient	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y

**6.11. Tree > Setup > Boundary Conditions > wall (double Click) Change parameters as per below and click Apply. No need to change for laminar cases.**

**Laminar flow**



**Turbulent flow**



Wall Boundary Condition									
Model	Laminar			Turbulent					
Variable	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	u [m/s]	v [m/s]	P [Pa]	k [m <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>2</sup> ]	e [m <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>3</sup> ]	Roughness
Magnitude	0	0	-	0	0	-	-	-	2.50E-05
Zero Gradient	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	-

6.12. **Tree > Setup > Boundary Conditions > Operating Condition....** Change parameters as per below and click **OK**.

The screenshot displays the software interface for setting boundary conditions. On the left, the 'Outline View' shows a tree structure under 'Setup' with 'Boundary Conditions' expanded and 'Operating Conditions' selected. On the right, the 'Task Page' shows the 'Boundary Conditions' task page with a list of zones including 'axis', 'inlet', and 'interior-surface\_body'. The 'Operating Conditions' dialog box is open, showing the 'Operating Pressure [Pa]' field set to 97725.9, and the 'OK' button highlighted. Below the dialog box, the 'Phase' is set to 'mixture' and the 'Type' is set to 'wall' with ID 8. The 'Operating Conditions...' button is also highlighted.

6.13. Tree > Setup > Reference Values. Change parameters as per below.

### Laminar flow

**Reference Values**

Parameter	Value
Area (m2)	0.002154869
Density (kg/m3)	1.17
Enthalpy (j/kg)	0
Length (m)	0.05238
Pressure (pascal)	0
Temperature (k)	288.16
Velocity (m/s)	0.2
Viscosity (kg/m-s)	1.872e-05
Ratio of Specific Heats	1.4
Yplus for Heat Tran. Coef.	300

### Turbulent flow

**Reference Values**

Parameter	Value
Area (m2)	0.002154869
Density (kg/m3)	1.17
Enthalpy (j/kg)	0
Length (m)	0.05238
Pressure (pascal)	0
Temperature (k)	288.16
Velocity (m/s)	34.08
Viscosity (kg/m-s)	1.872e-05
Ratio of Specific Heats	1.4
Yplus for Heat Tran. Coef.	300

6.14. **Tree > Solution > Methods.** Change parameters as per below.

### Laminar flow

**Outline View**

Filter Text

- Setup
  - General
  - Models
  - Materials
  - Cell Zone Conditions
  - Boundary Conditions
  - Mesh Interfaces
  - Dynamic Mesh
  - Reference Values
  - Reference Frames
  - Named Expressions
- Solution**
  - Methods**
  - Controls
  - Report Definitions
  - Monitors
    - Residual
    - Report Files
    - Report Plots
  - Convergence Conditions
  - Cell Registers
  - Automatic Mesh Adaption
  - Initialization

**Task Page**

**Solution Methods**

**Pressure-Velocity Coupling**

Scheme: SIMPLE

Flux Type: Rhie-Chow: distance based  Auto Select

**Spatial Discretization**

Gradient: Green-Gauss Cell Based

Pressure: Second Order

Momentum: Second Order Upwind

Transient Formulation:  Non-Iterative Time Advancement  Frozen Flux Formulation  Warped-Face Gradient Correction  High-Order Term Relaxation

### Turbulent flow

**Outline View**

Filter Text

- Setup
  - General
  - Models
  - Materials
  - Cell Zone Conditions
  - Boundary Conditions
  - Mesh Interfaces
  - Dynamic Mesh
  - Reference Values
  - Reference Frames
  - Named Expressions
- Solution**
  - Methods**
  - Controls
  - Report Definitions
  - Monitors
    - Residual
    - Report Files
    - Report Plots
  - Convergence Conditions
  - Cell Registers
  - Automatic Mesh Adaption
  - Initialization
  - Calculation Activities

**Task Page**

**Solution Methods**

**Pressure-Velocity Coupling**

Scheme: SIMPLE

Flux Type: Rhie-Chow: distance based  Auto Select

**Spatial Discretization**

Gradient: Green-Gauss Cell Based

Pressure: Second Order

Momentum: Second Order Upwind

Turbulent Kinetic Energy: Second Order Upwind

Turbulent Dissipation Rate: Second Order Upwind

**6.15. Tree > Solution > Monitors > Residual** (double click). Change convergence criterion to **1e-6** for all three and five equations as per below for laminar and turbulent cases respectively and click **OK**. (Note: for iterative error study you will need to use 1e-5)

### Laminar flow

**Residual Monitors**

Report Definition quantities can be monitored during solution when they are included in Report Files or Report Plots.

**Options**

- Print to Console
- Plot
- Curves... Axes...
- Iterations to Plot: 1000
- Iterations to Store: 1000

**Equations**

Residual	Monitor	Check Convergence	Absolute Criteria
continuity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06
x-velocity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06
y-velocity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06

**Residual Values**

- Normalize
- Scale
- Iterations: 5
- Compute Local Scale
- Renormalize

**Convergence Criterion**: absolute

OK Plot Cancel Help

### Turbulent flow

**Residual Monitors**

Report Definition quantities can be monitored during solution when they are included in Report Files or Report Plots.

**Options**

- Print to Console
- Plot
- Curves... Axes...
- Iterations to Plot: 1000
- Iterations to Store: 1000

**Equations**

Residual	Monitor	Check Convergence	Absolute Criteria
continuity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06
x-velocity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06
y-velocity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06
k	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06
epsilon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1e-06

**Residual Values**

- Normalize
- Scale
- Iterations: 5
- Compute Local Scale
- Renormalize

**Convergence Criterion**: absolute

OK Plot Cancel Help

6.16. Tree > Solution > **Initialization**. Change parameters as per below and click **Initialize**.

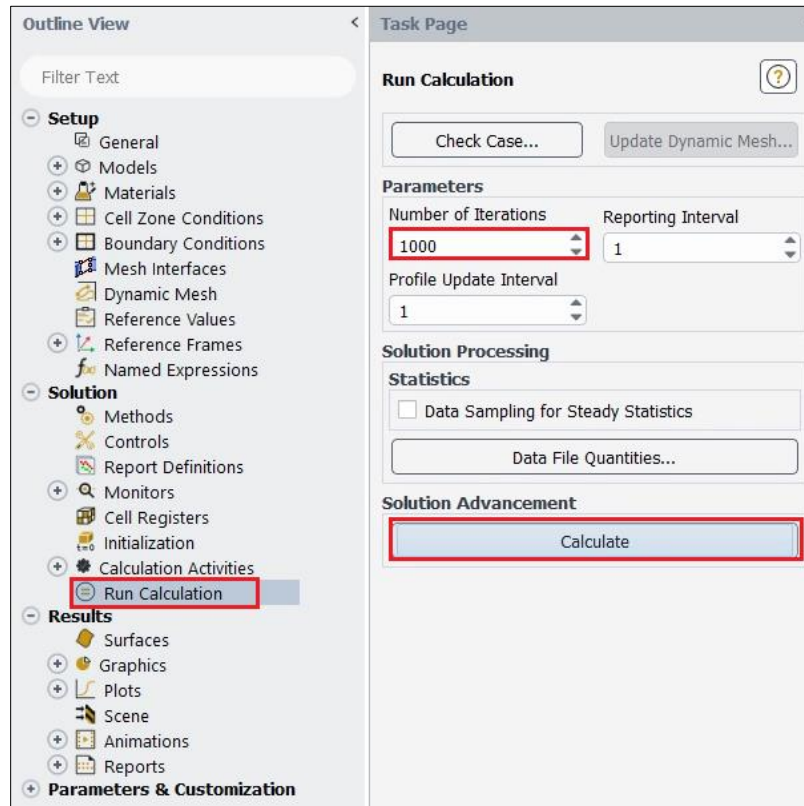
### Laminar flow

The screenshot shows the ANSYS Fluent Task Page for Laminar flow initialization. The Outline View on the left shows the 'Initialization' option under the 'Solution' tree highlighted with a red box. The Task Page on the right shows the 'Solution Initialization' settings. The 'Initialization Methods' section has 'Standard Initialization' selected with a red box. The 'Reference Frame' section has 'Relative to Cell Zone' selected with a red box. The 'Initial Values' section has the following values entered: Gauge Pressure (pascal) is 0, Axial Velocity (m/s) is 0.2, and Radial Velocity (m/s) is 0. The 'Initialize' button is highlighted with a red box. Other buttons like 'Reset', 'Patch...', 'Reset DPM Sources', 'Reset LWF', 'Reset Statistics', and 'VOF Check' are also visible.

### Turbulent flow

The screenshot shows the ANSYS Fluent Task Page for Turbulent flow initialization. The Outline View on the left shows the 'Initialization' option under the 'Solution' tree highlighted with a red box. The Task Page on the right shows the 'Solution Initialization' settings. The 'Initialization Methods' section has 'Standard Initialization' selected with a red box. The 'Reference Frame' section has 'Relative to Cell Zone' selected with a red box. The 'Initial Values' section has the following values entered: Gauge Pressure (pascal) is 400, Axial Velocity (m/s) is 34.08, Radial Velocity (m/s) is 0, Turbulent Kinetic Energy (m2/s2) is 0.09, and Turbulent Dissipation Rate (m2/s3) is 16. The 'Initialize' button is highlighted with a red box. Other buttons like 'Reset', 'Patch...', 'Reset DPM Sources', 'Reset LWF', 'Reset Statistics', and 'VOF Check' are also visible.

**6.17. Tree > Solution > Run calculation.** Change number of iterations to **1000** and click **Calculate**.



**6.18. File > save project.** Make sure to save the project for later use.

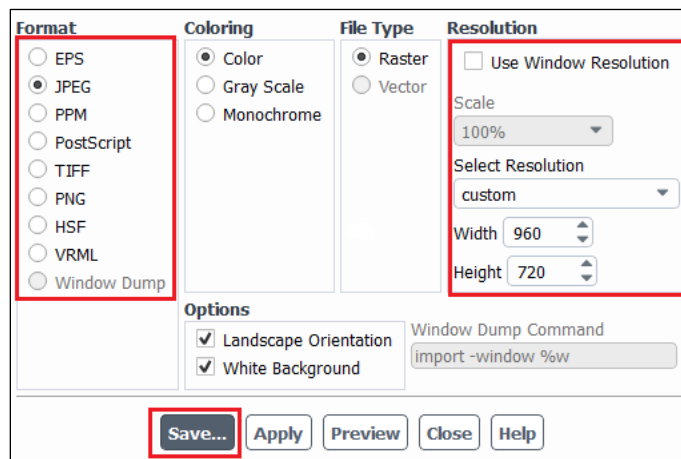
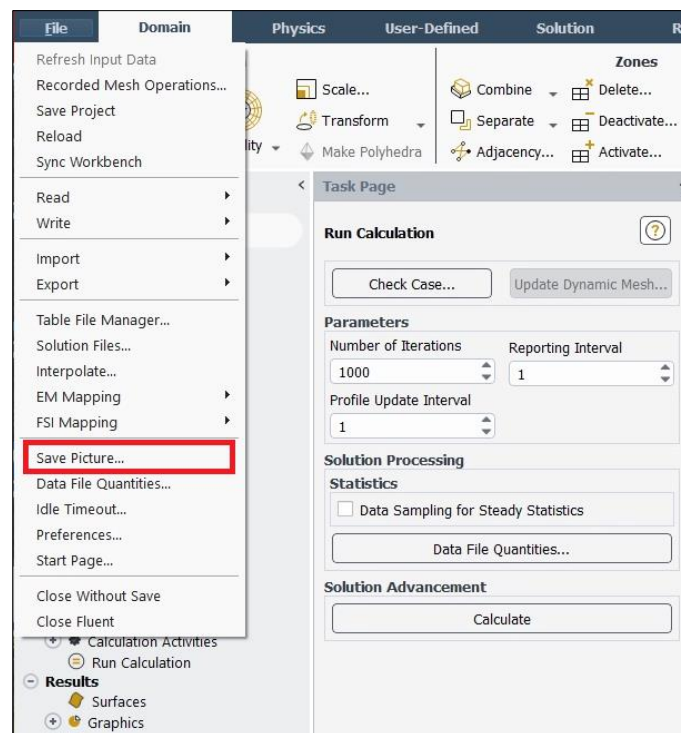


## 7. Results

This section shows how to analyze your results in Fluent. You do not need to do all of the analysis for every case. Please refer to exercises at the end of this manual to determine what analysis you need to do for each simulation.

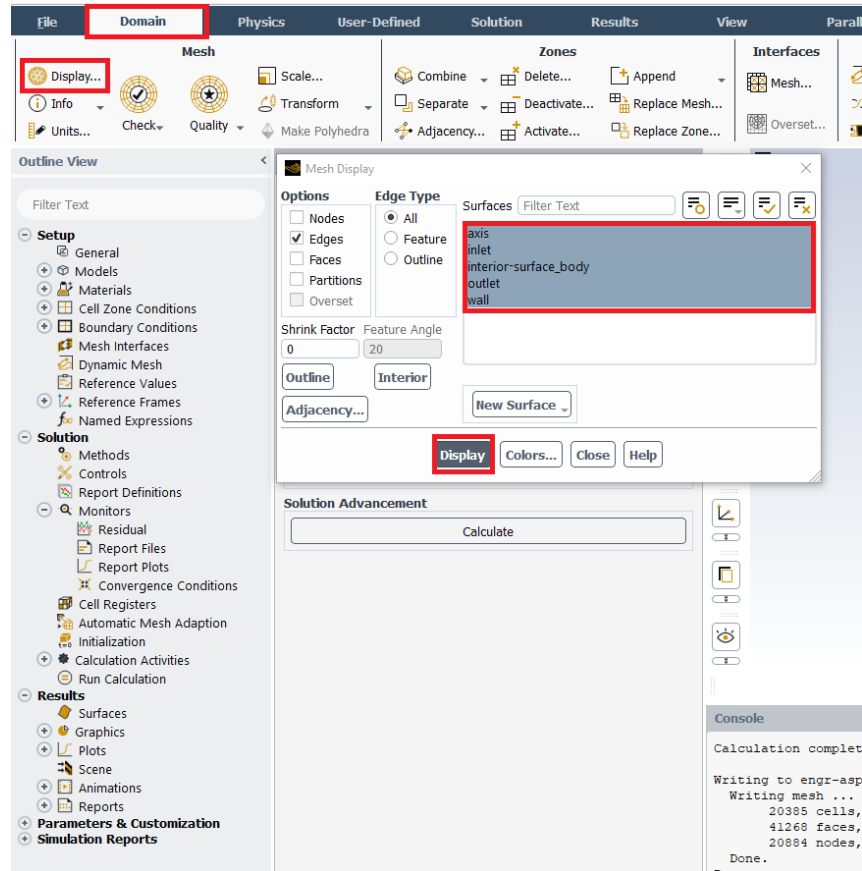
### 7.1. Saving Picture

**File > Save Picture.** Your current display can be saved as a picture file by adjusting formats or resolutions like below and by clicking **Save**. Use this function whenever you need to save pictures for the report.



## 7.2. Displaying Mesh

**Setting Up Domain > Display.** Select all the surface you want to display. Lines and points you create can be displayed here as well.



### \*Tips

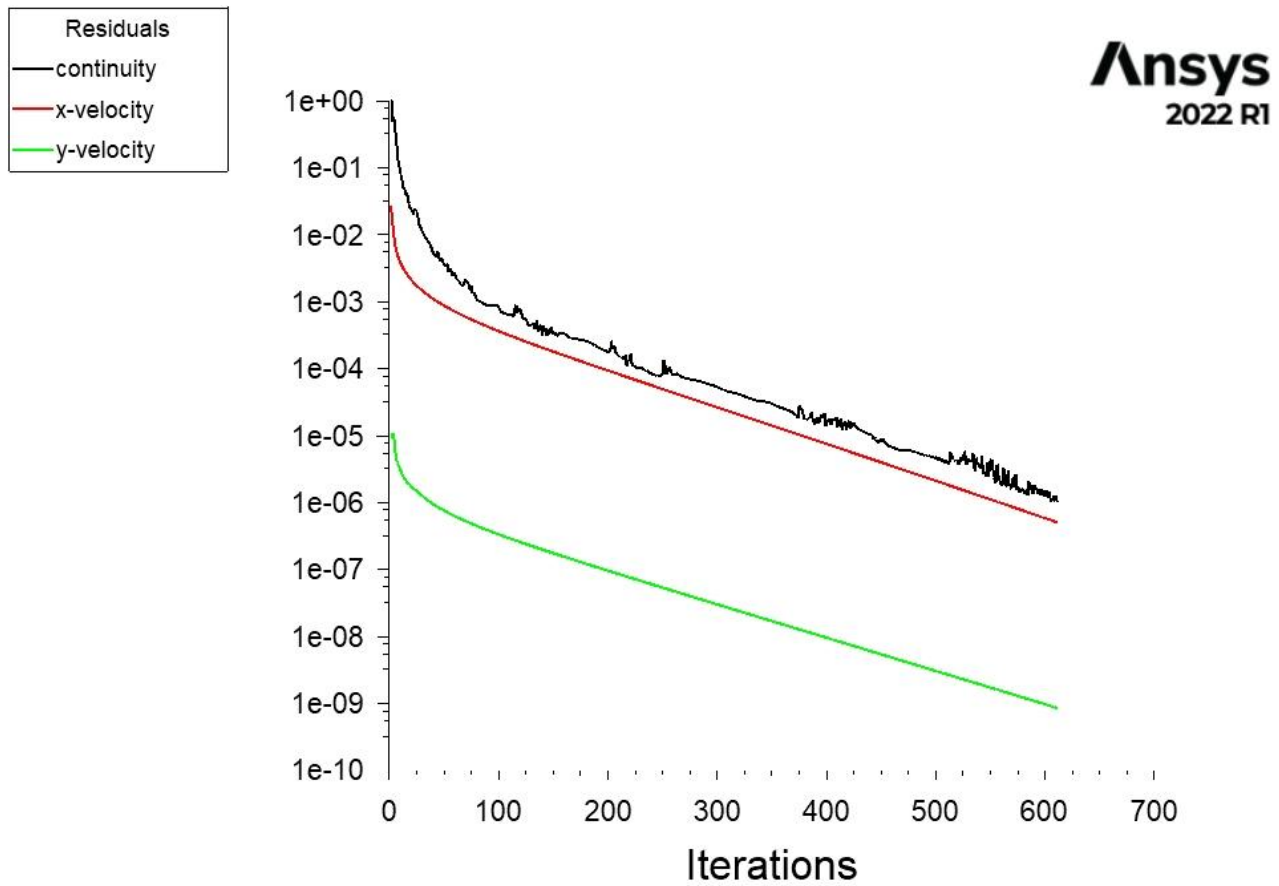
Zoom in: Click mouse wheel and create a rectangular that starts from upper left to lower right.

Zoom out: Click mouse wheel and create a rectangular that starts from lower right to upper left.

Move: Move the mouse with holding both LMB and RMB

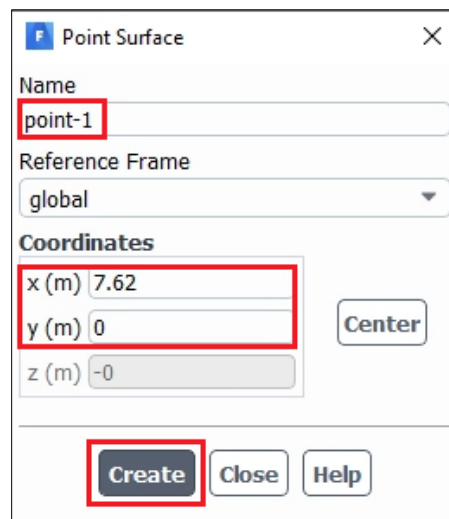
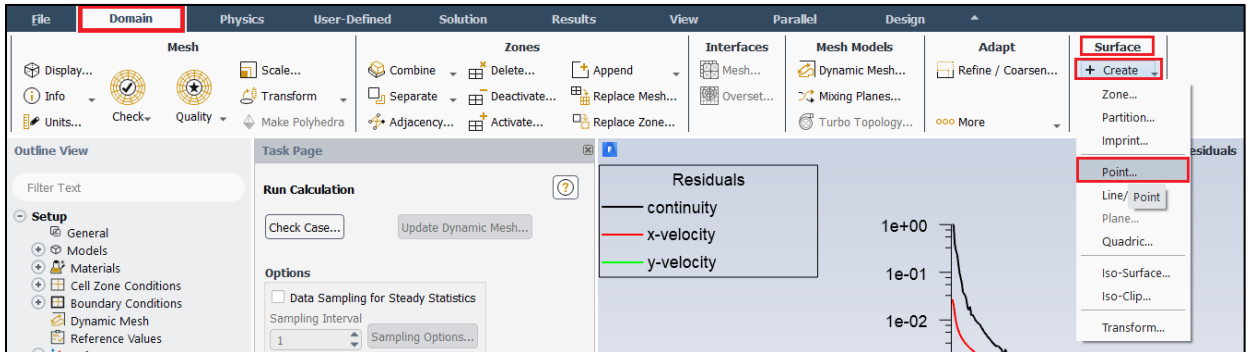
### 7.3. Plotting Residuals

Refer 6.15. Click **Plot** next to **Ok**. Residual plot for laminar case is at below as an example.



## 7.4. Creating Points

**Setting Up Domain > Surface > Create > Point.** Change x and y values as per below click **Create**. Repeat this for other lines shown in the table below.



Point Name	x0	y0
point-1	7.62	0.000
point-2	7.62	0.005
point-3	7.62	0.010
point-4	7.62	0.015
point-5	7.62	0.020
point-6	7.62	0.021
point-7	7.62	0.022
point-8	7.62	0.023
point-9	7.62	0.024
point-10	7.62	0.025

## 7.5. Creating Lines

**Setting Up Domain > Surface > Create > Line/Rake.** Change x and y values as per below click **Create**. Repeat this for other lines shown in the table below.

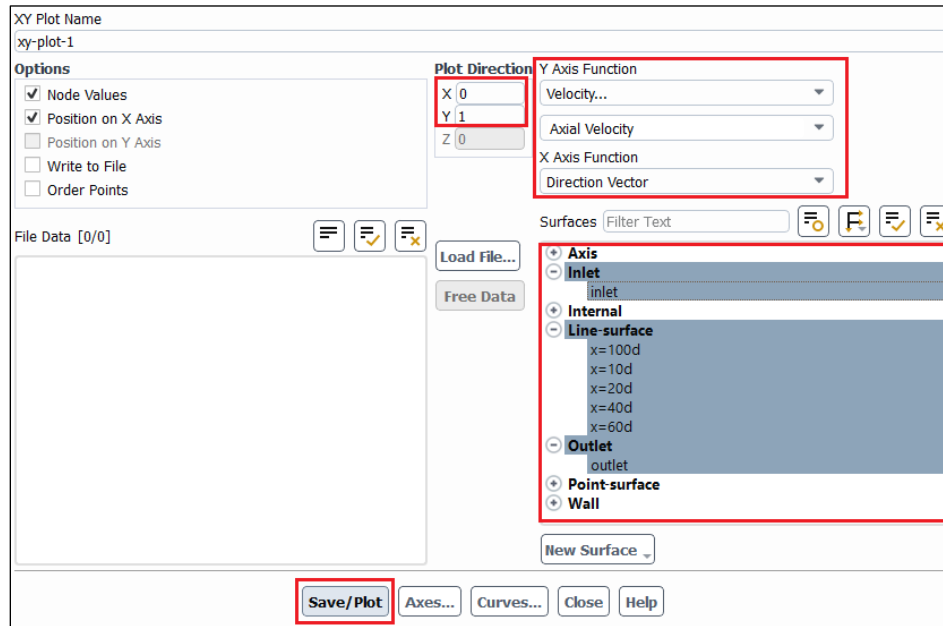
The screenshot shows the 'Line/Rake Surface' dialog box with the following details:

- Title:** Line/Rake Surface
- New Surface Name:** x=10d
- Options:**
  - Line
  - Type: Line
  - Number of Points: 10
  - Reset button
- End Points:**
  - x0 (m): 0.5238
  - x1 (m): 0.5238
  - y0 (m): 0
  - y1 (m): 0.02619
  - z0 (m): 0
  - z1 (m): 0
- Buttons:** Select Points with Mouse, Create (highlighted), Close, Help

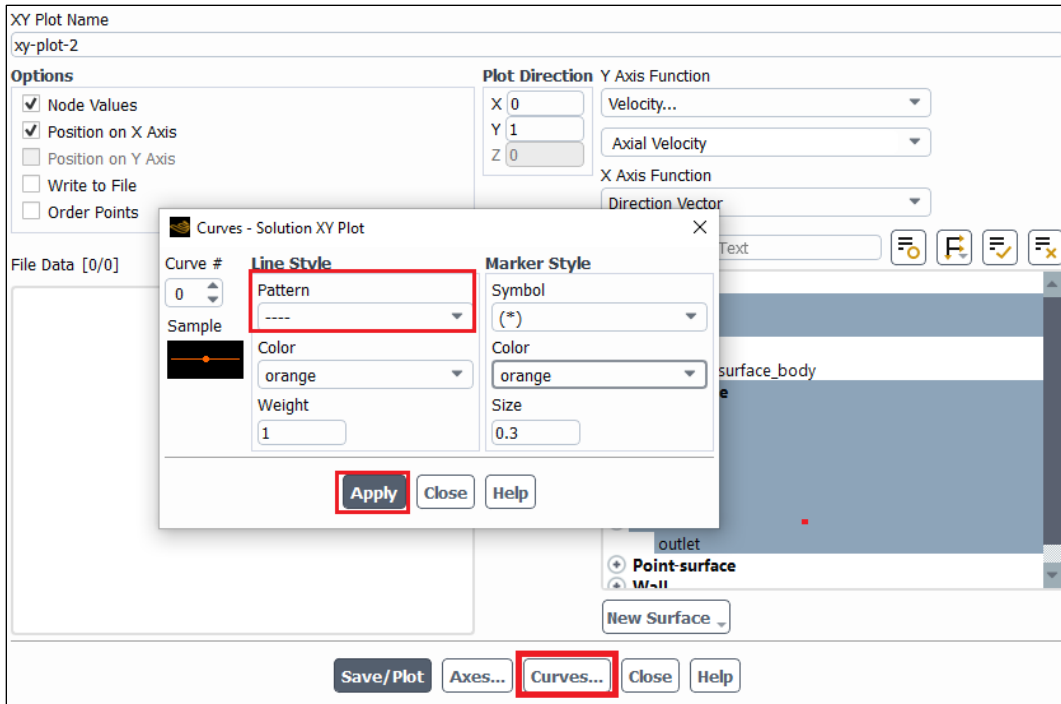
Surface Name	x0	y0	x1	y1
x=10d	0.5238	0	0.5238	0.02619
x=20d	1.0476	0	1.0476	0.02619
x=40d	2.0952	0	2.0952	0.02619
x=60d	3.1428	0	3.1428	0.02619
x=100d	5.2380	0	5.2380	0.02619

## 7.6. Plotting Velocity Profile

**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot** (double click). Select **inlet**, **outlet**, and the lines you created and change setting as per below then click **Plot**.



**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot** (double click) > **Curves**. For Curve # 0 select the Line Style **Pattern**, **Line Style Color** as per below and click **Apply**. Repeat this for all the curves 1 through 7.



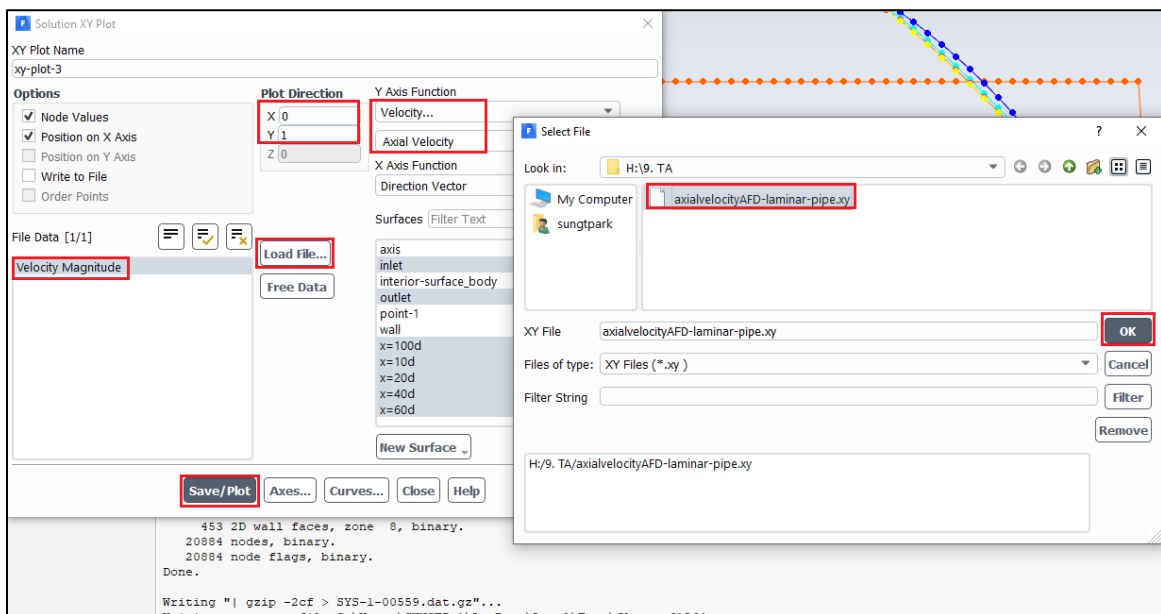
Download the experimental data for the simulation from the class website:

[Right mouse button-> Save link as..]

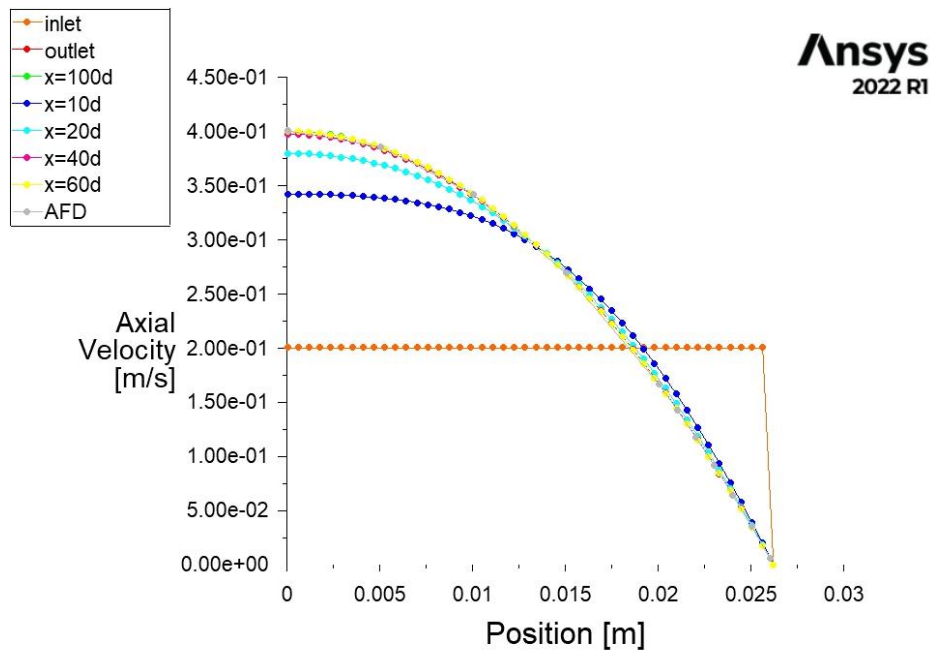
([http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me\\_160/CFD%20Labs/Lab1/axialvelocityAFD-laminar-pipe.xy](http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me_160/CFD%20Labs/Lab1/axialvelocityAFD-laminar-pipe.xy))

([http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me\\_160/CFD%20Labs/Lab1/axialvelocityEFD-turbulent-pipe.xy](http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me_160/CFD%20Labs/Lab1/axialvelocityEFD-turbulent-pipe.xy))

**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot** (double click) > **Load File**. Select “axialvelocityAFD-laminar-pipe.xy” (if laminar) or “axialvelocityEFD-turbulent-pipe.xy” (if turbulent) downloaded and click **Plot**.

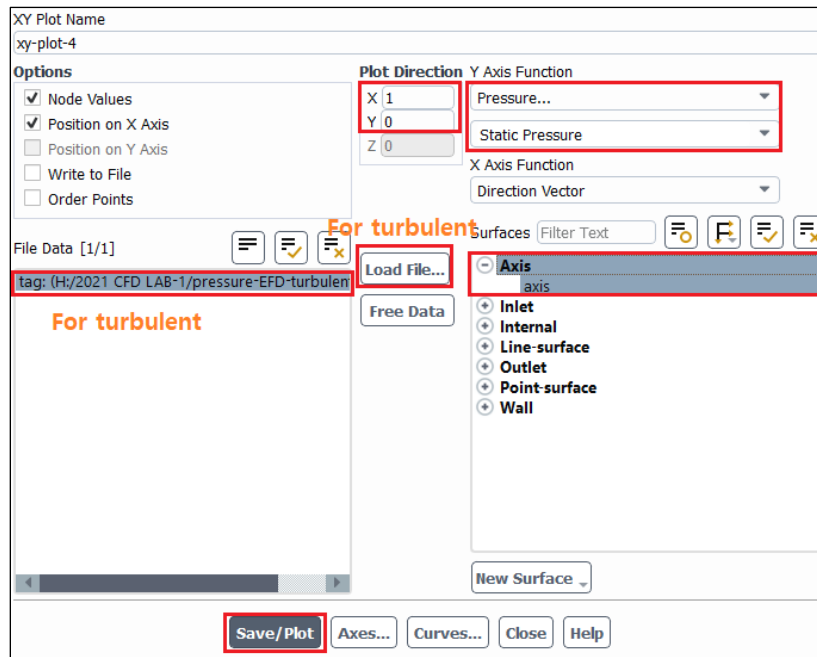


Result for laminar flow is presented as an example below.



### 7.7. Plotting Static Pressure Profile at Centerline

**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot** (double click). Change Y function to **Pressure...** and select **axis** then click **Plot**.

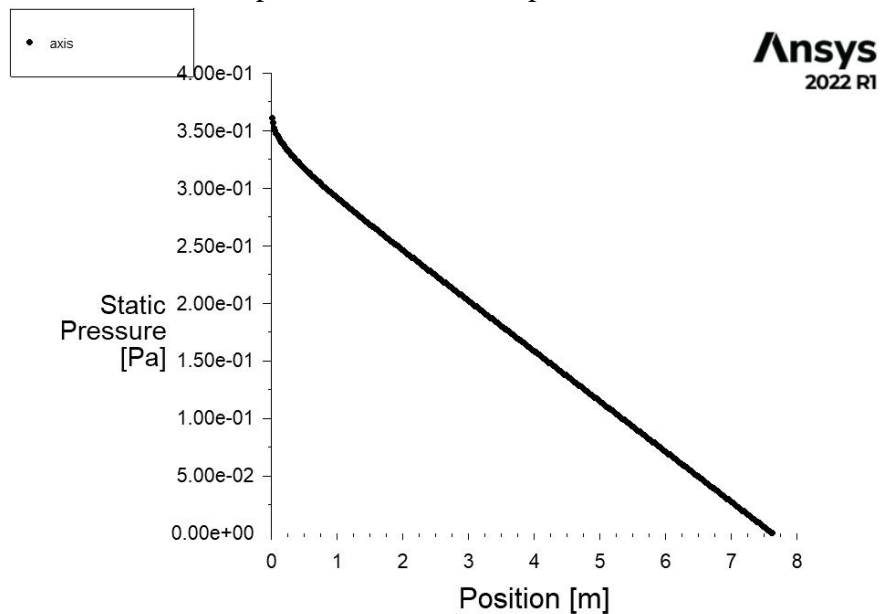




For the turbulent case, download the experimental data for the simulation from the class website: [http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me\\_160/CFD%20Labs/Lab1/pressure-EFD-turbulent-pipe.xy](http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me_160/CFD%20Labs/Lab1/pressure-EFD-turbulent-pipe.xy)

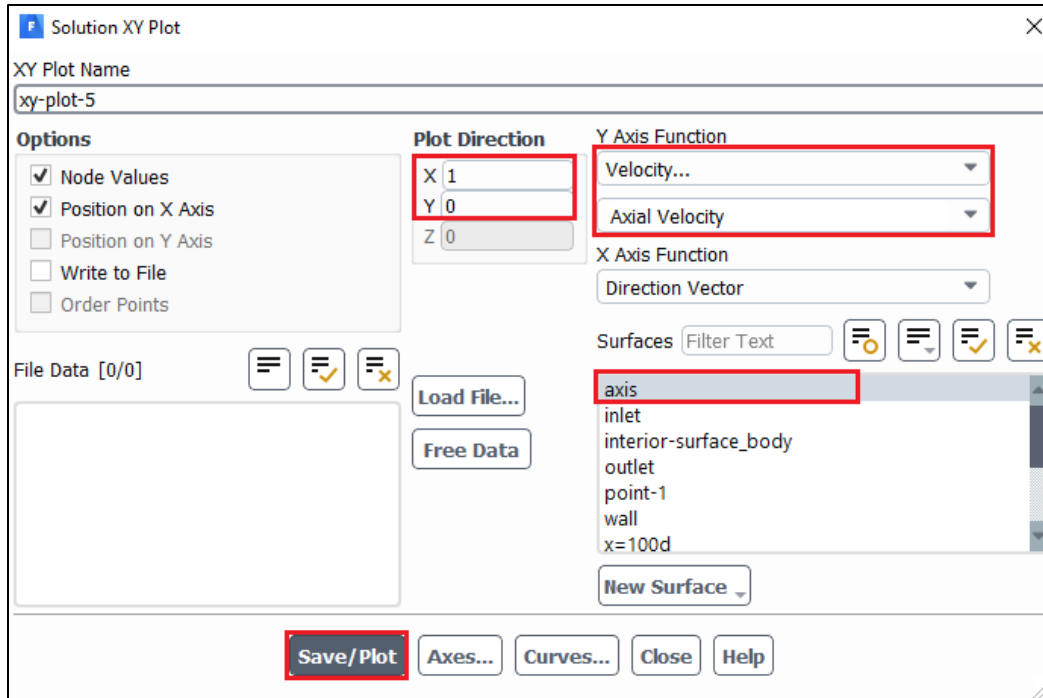
**(Turbulent case continued) Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot (double click) > Load File.** Select “pressure-EFD-turbulent-pipe.xy” downloaded and click **Plot**.

Result for laminar flow is presented as an example.

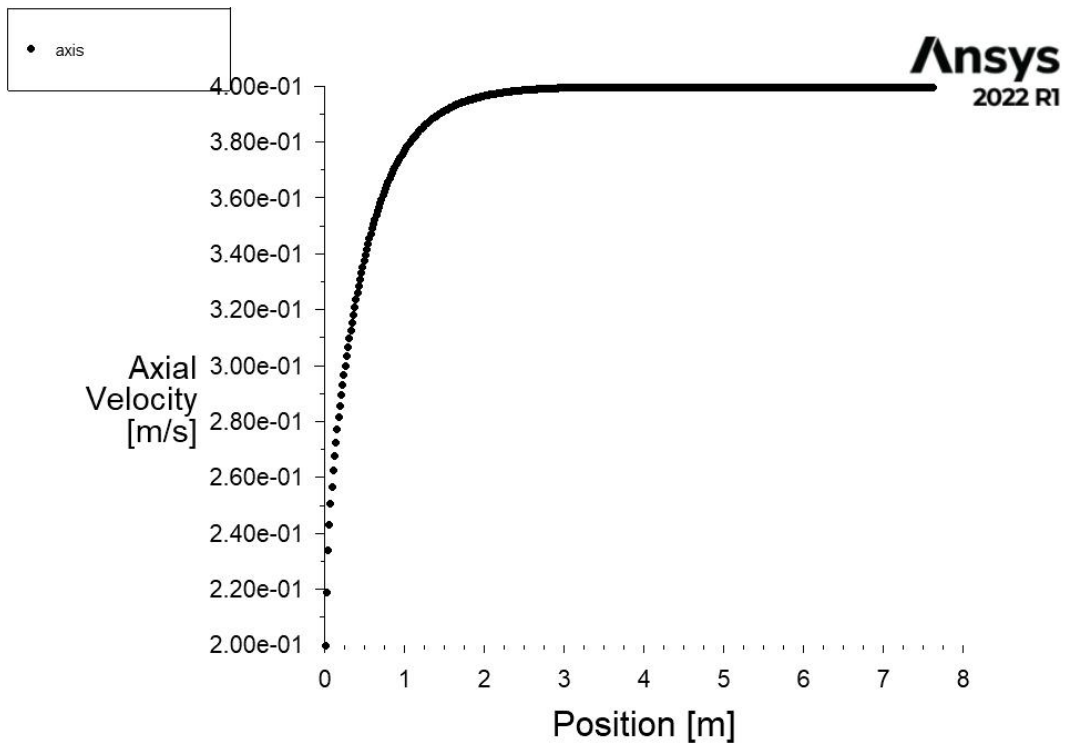


### 7.8. Plotting Velocity at Centerline

**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot (double click).** Change Y function to **Velocity...** and **Axial Velocity**. Select **axis** then click **Plot**. Change Plot Direction as below if necessary.

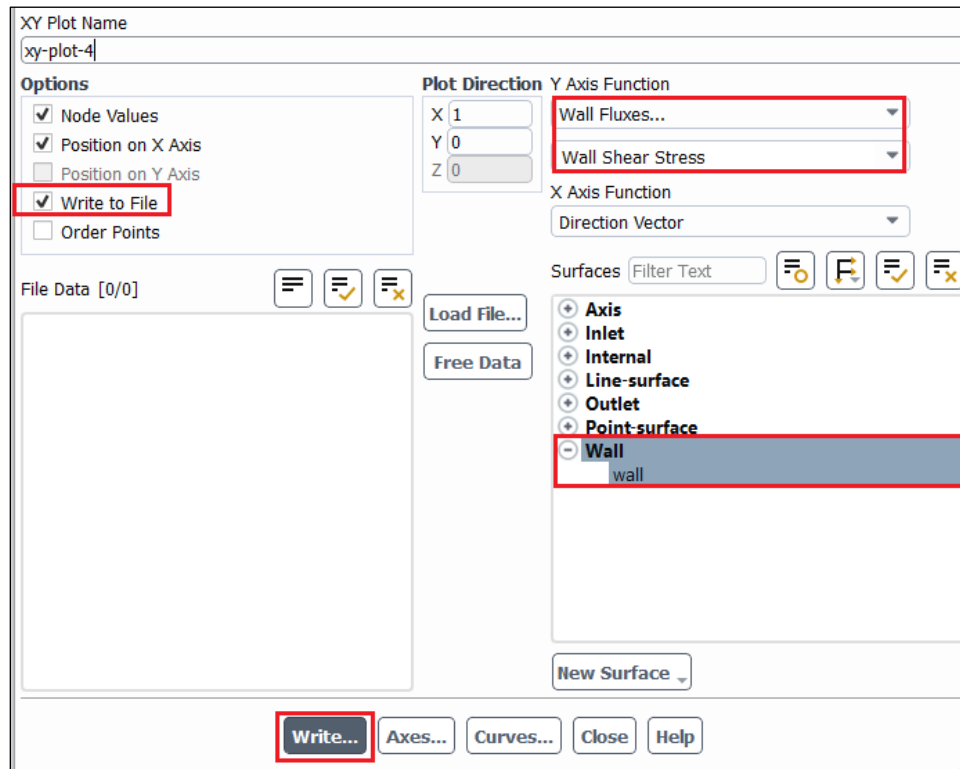


Example for the laminar case is presented.



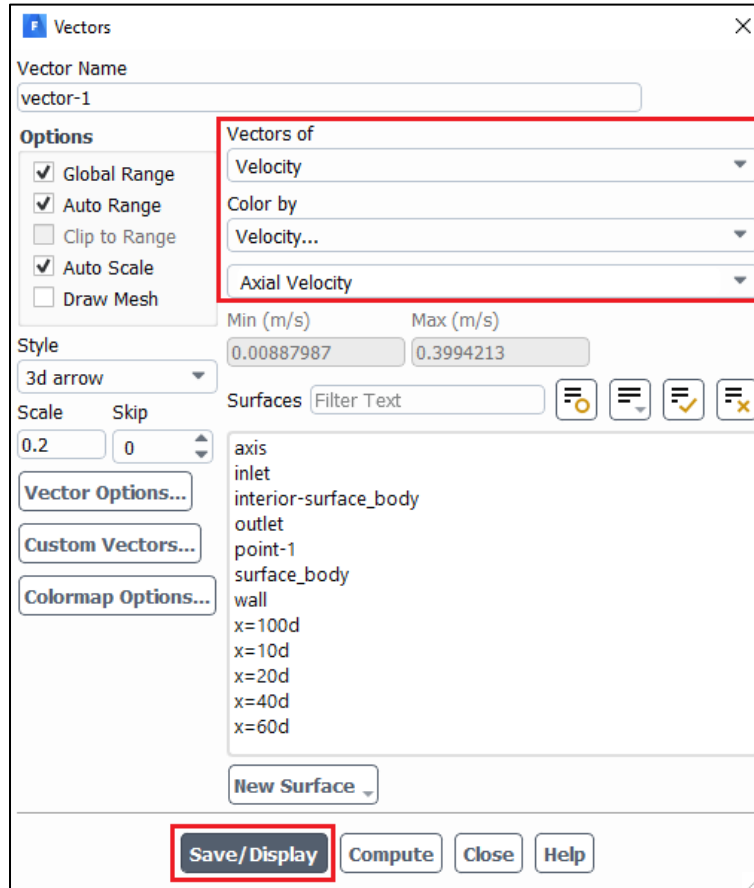
## 7.9. Exporting Wall Shear Stress Values

**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot** (double click). Change Y function to **Wall Fluxes...** and **Wall Shear Stress**. Select **wall** then click **Write to File** to enable **Write**. Click **Write** to export the shear stress along the wall of the pipe. You will need this data to compute the shear stress coefficient at the developed region.

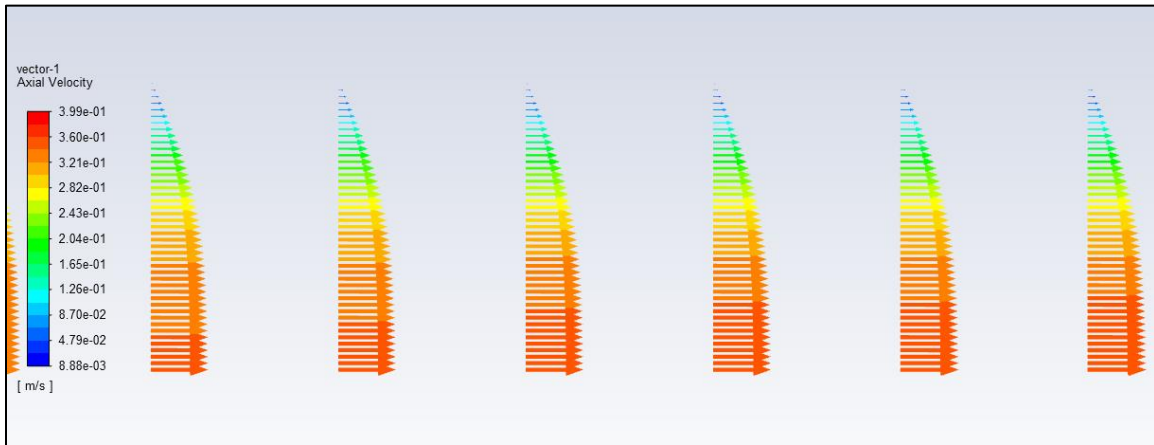


## 7.10. Plotting Velocity Vectors

**Tree > Results > Graphics > Vectors** (double click). Change the vector parameters as per below and click **Display**.

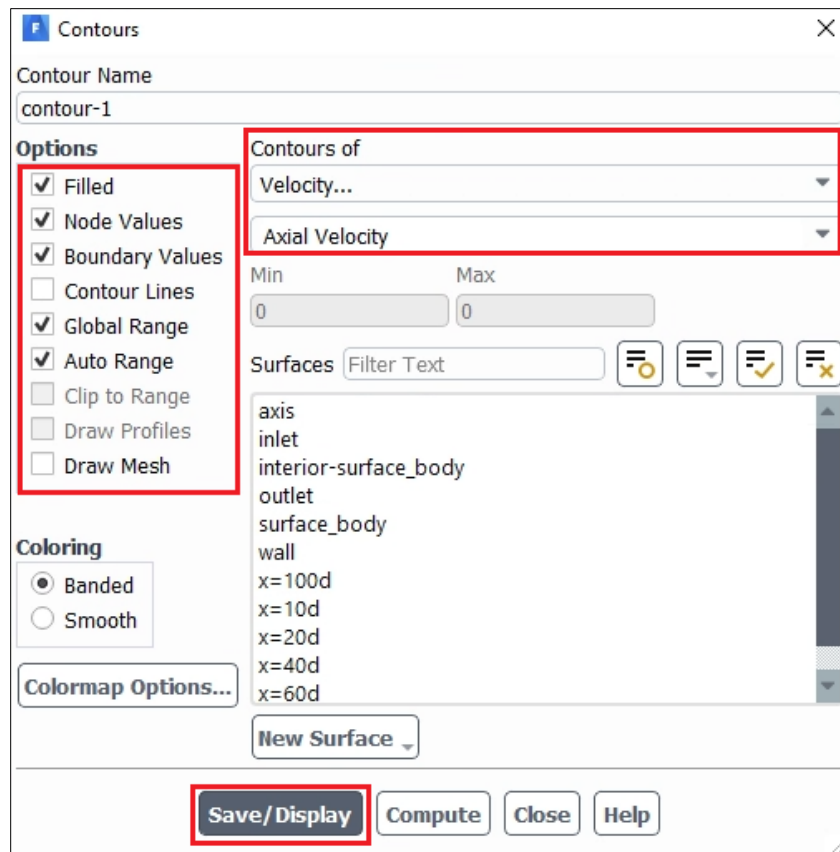


Result of laminar flow is presented as an example.

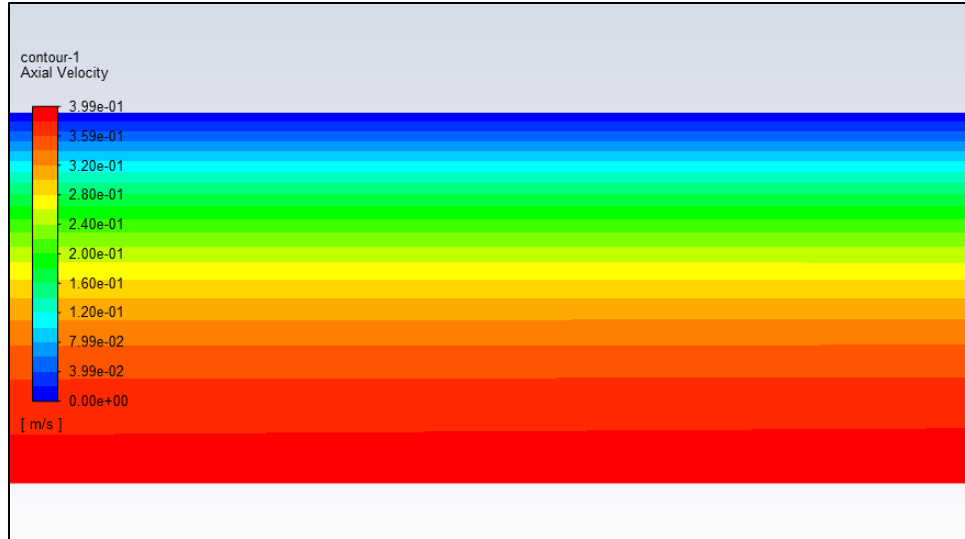


### 7.11. Plotting Velocity Contours

**Tree > Results > Graphics > Contours** (double click). Change the parameters as per below and click **Display**.



Result of laminar flow is presented as an example.

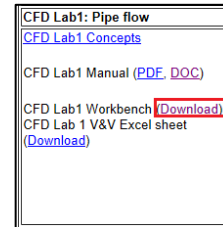


If the plot does not show up well, remove the plot window, and use a ‘Display’ button as below.

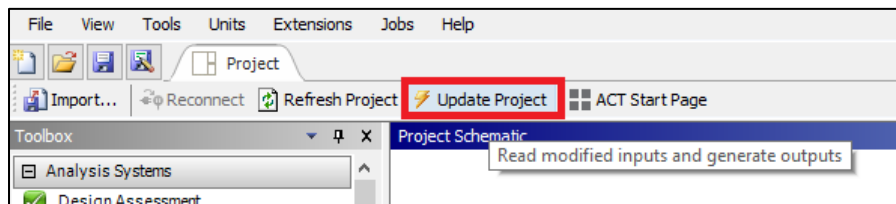
## 8. V&V Instructions

### 8.1. V&V Instructions for Velocity Profile

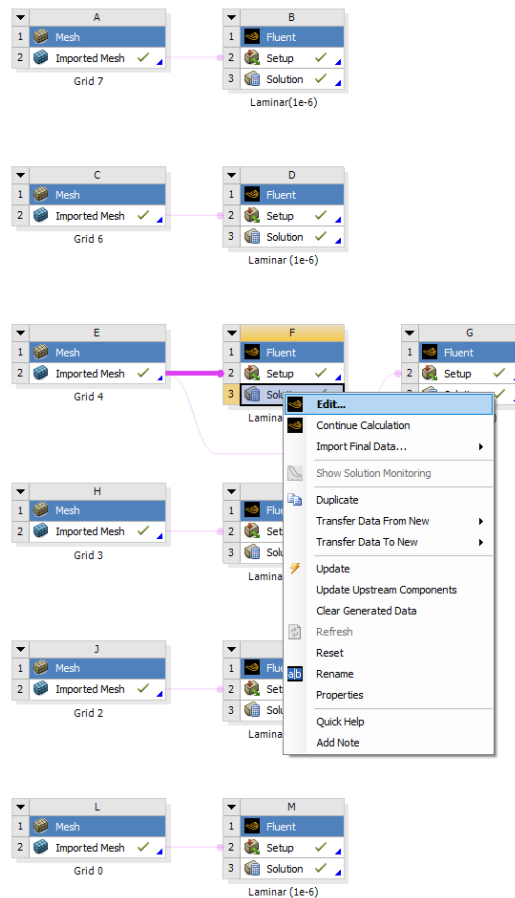
Download CFD Lab 1 Workbench file from class website  
[\(http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me\\_160/\)](http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me_160/)



Click update project button. This will run all the simulation on the workbench file and it may take few minutes.

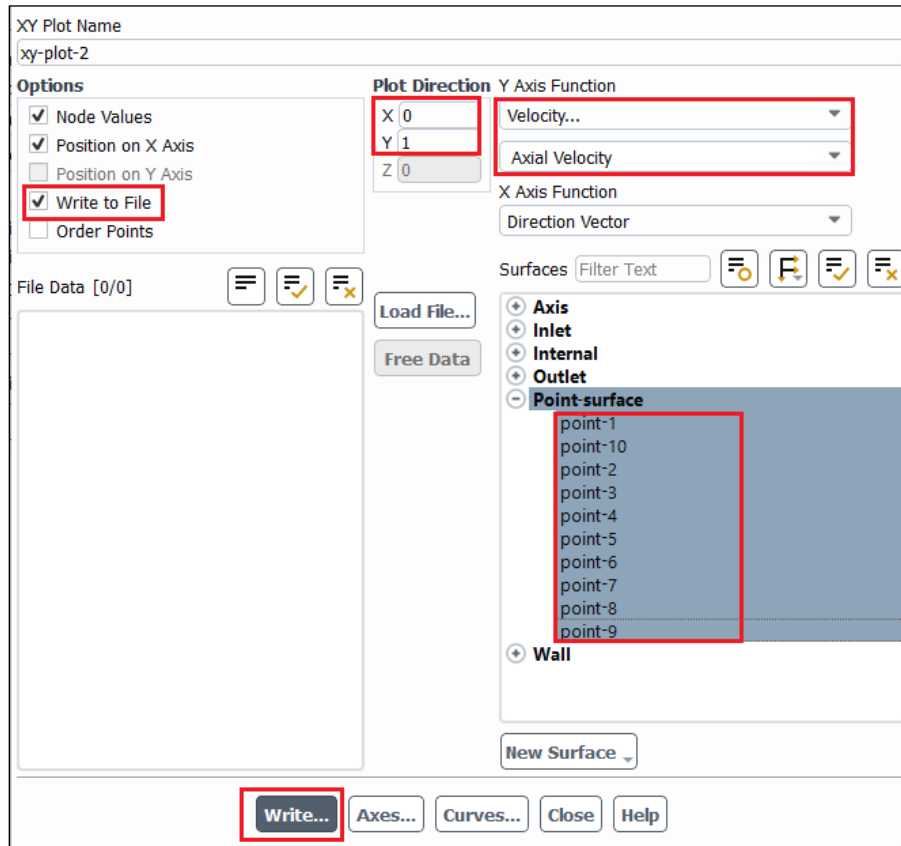


Right click **Solution** > Select **Edit...**

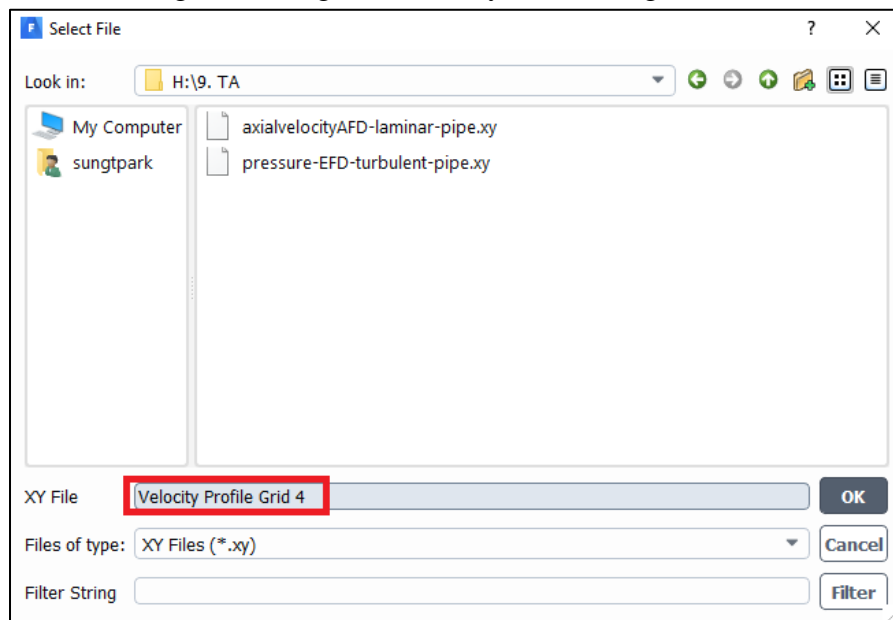


Create reference points by following 7.4.

**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot** (double click). Change parameters as per below and click **Write...** Make sure to select points 1 through 10.

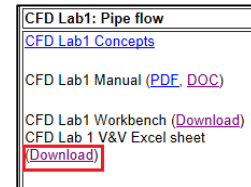


Name file according to which grid solution you are using.

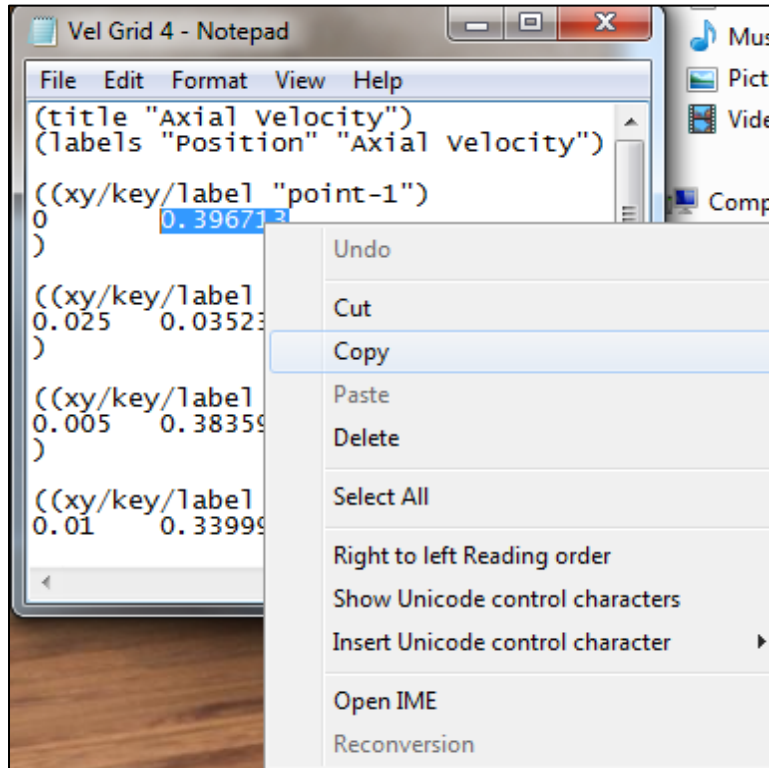




Download V&V excel sheet for CFD Lab 1 from class website  
[\(http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me\\_160/\)](http://user.engineering.uiowa.edu/~me_160/)



Open file using Textpad/Wordpad/Notepad, copy points to input into V&V Excel file.



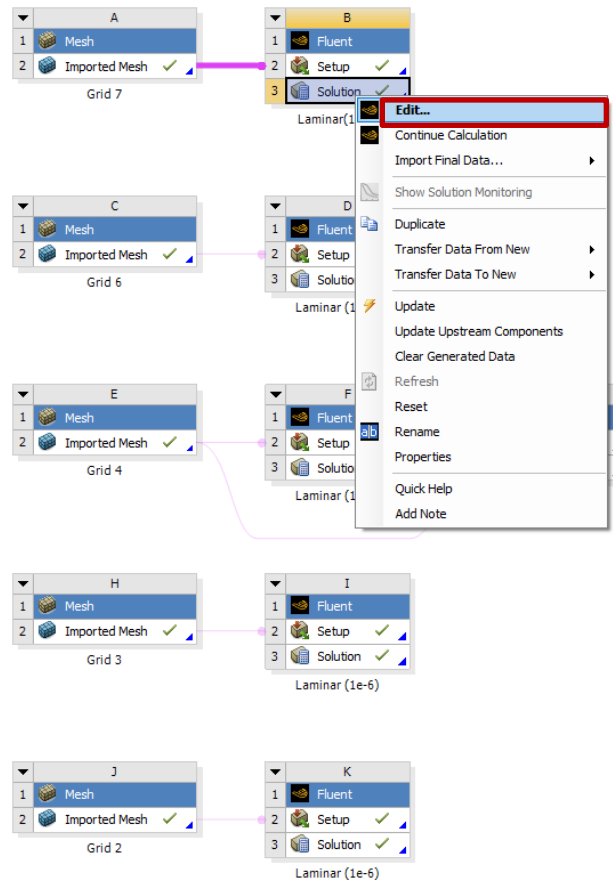
Paste value into V&V Excel file according to its y position and its grid number. Use the Keep Text Only paste function by right clicking in the cell and selecting it from the paste options.

Pgest	2							
rg	1.4142136							
	Grid 4	Grid 3	Grid 2					
y (m)	Sg1 (FINE)	Sg2 (MEDIUM)	Sg3 (COURSE)	A	E	ε21	ε32	Rg
0				0.400000	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.005				0.385000	0.962500	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.01				0.342000	0.855000	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.015				0.269000	0.672500	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.02				0.167000	0.417500	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.021				0.143000	0.357500	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.022				0.118000	0.295000	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.023				0.092000	0.230000	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.024				0.064000	0.160000	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!
0.025				0.036000	0.090000	0.000000	0.000000	#DIV/0!

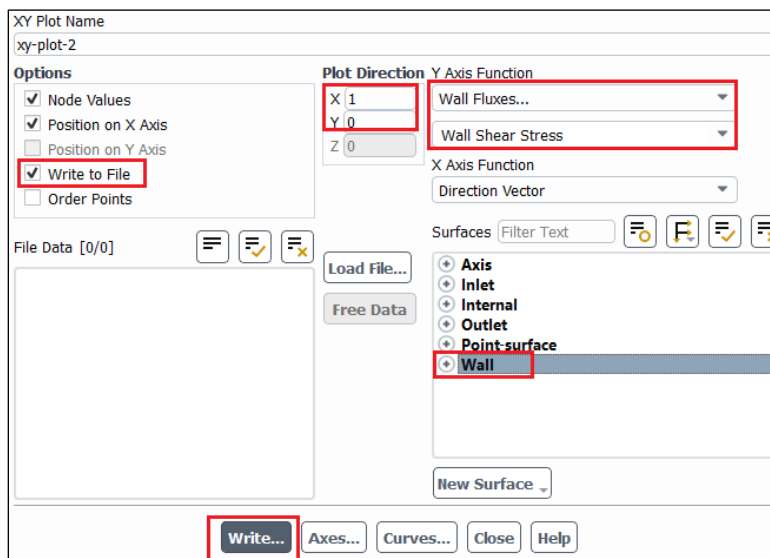
Repeat this process for the remaining y location points and then the two remaining grid solutions. All yellow cells should be filled.

## 8.2. V&V Instructions for the Friction Coefficient

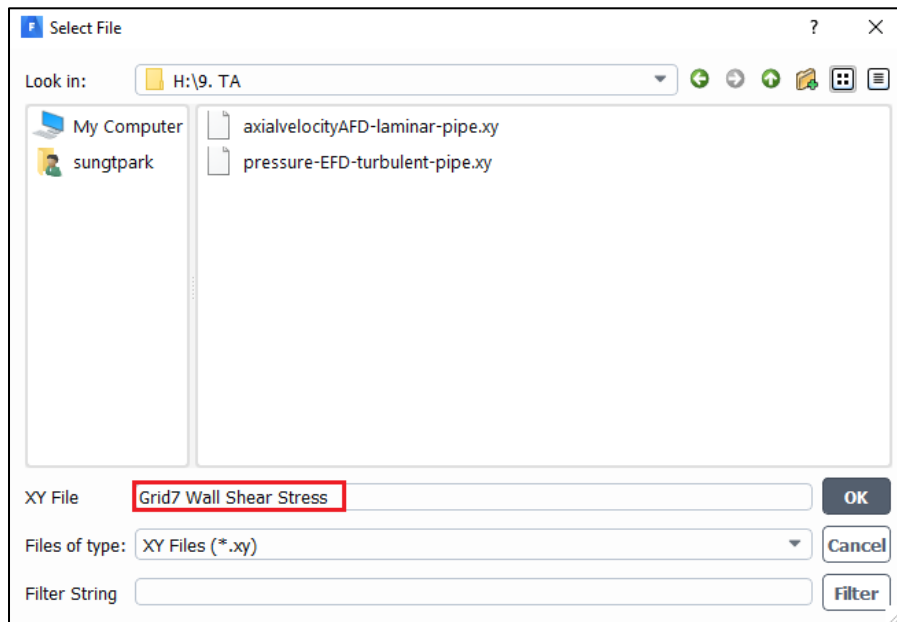
Right click **Solution** > Select **Edit...**



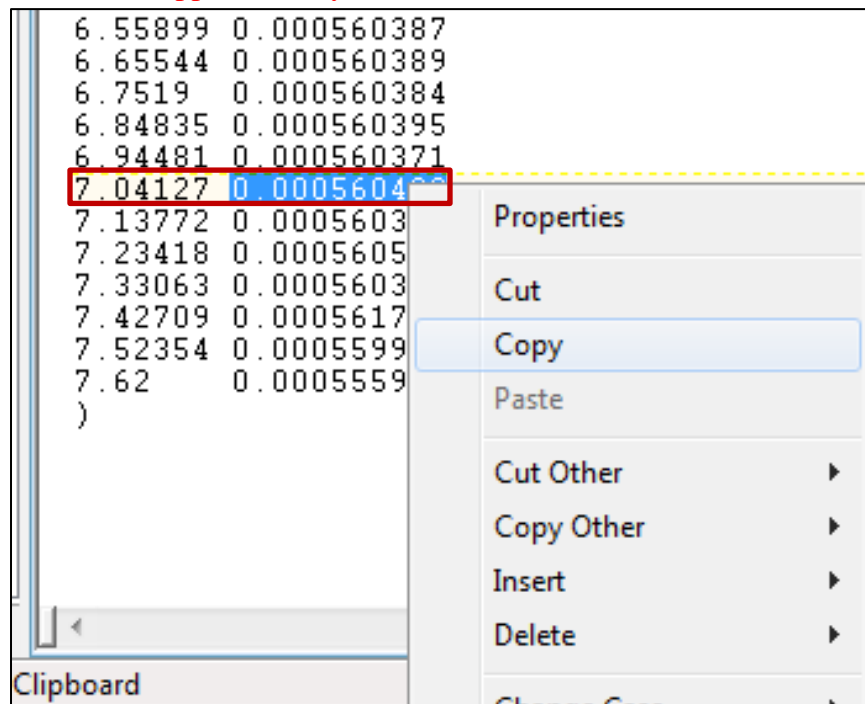
**Tree > Results > Plots > XY Plot** (double click). Change parameters as per below and click **Write...**



Name the file according to grid number and save to project folder.



Open file with a text editor such as Textpad/Wordpad/Notepad and copy wall shear stress at the x location of **approximately** 7m.



Paste the value into corresponding cell in the V&V template.

	Pgest	2																
	rg	1.414213562																
Grids 2,3,4	Sg1 (FINE)	Sg2 (MEDIUM)	Sg3 (COURSE)	A	E	$\epsilon_{21}$	$\epsilon_{32}$	Rg	Convergence	Pg	$\delta$	P	+Ug	-Ug				
	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	9.775E-02	1.000E+02	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!				
Grids 6,7,8	Sg1 (FINE)	Sg2 (MEDIUM)	Sg3 (COURSE)	A	E	$\epsilon_{21}$	$\epsilon_{32}$	Rg	Convergence	Pg	$\delta$	P	+Ug	-Ug				
	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	9.775E-02	1.000E+02	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!				
	Pgest	2																
	rg	2																
Grids 0,2,4	Sg1 (FINE)	Sg2 (MEDIUM)	Sg3 (COURSE)	A	E	$\epsilon_{21}$	$\epsilon_{32}$	Rg	Convergence	Pg	$\delta$	P	+Ug	-Ug				
	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	9.775E-02	1.000E+02	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!				
Grids 4,6,8	Sg1 (FINE)	Sg2 (MEDIUM)	Sg3 (COURSE)	A	E	$\epsilon_{21}$	$\epsilon_{32}$	Rg	Convergence	Pg	$\delta$	P	+Ug	-Ug				
	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	9.775E-02	1.000E+02	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!				
Grid	Wall Shear Stress	c																
0		0																
2		0																
3		0																
4		0																
6		0																
7		0																
8		0																

$c=8*\tau/(r*U^2)$ .

Make sure when pasting you select **Keep Text Only** and you select the proper cell corresponding to the grid number.

Grid	Wall Shear Stress	c
0		0
2		0
3		0
4		0
6		0
7		0
8		0

Repeat this process for the remaining six grids. Each yellow cell should be filled.

## 9. Data Analysis and Discussion

You need complete the following assignments and present results in your lab reports following the lab report instructions.

**\* 9.1.-9.4. and 9.6. are for laminar flows, 9.5. is for turbulent flows**

### 9.1. Iterative error studies (+6)

Use grid 4 and 8 with laminar flow conditions. Use two different convergent limits  $10^{-5}$  and  $10^{-6}$  and fill in the following table for the values on friction factors (grid 4 is given on workbench file which can be found on the class website). Find the relative error between AFD friction factor (0.097747231) and friction factor computed by CFD, which is computed by:

$$\left| \frac{Factor_{CFD} - Factor_{AFD}}{Factor_{AFD}} \right| \times 100\%$$

To get the value of  $Factor_{CFD}$ , you need to export wall shear stress data. Then use the wall shear stress at the developed region to calculate the friction factor. The equation for the friction factor is  $C=8*\tau/(r*U^2)$ , where C is the friction factor,  $\tau$  is wall shear stress, r is density and U is the inlet velocity. Discuss the effect of convergent limit on results for these two meshes

Mesh No.	Friction Factor with Convergence Limit 1e-5	Relative Error with Convergence Limit 1e-5	Friction Factor with Convergence Limit 1e-6	Relative Error with Convergence Limit 1e-6
4				
8				

- **Figure need to be reported:** residuals history for mesh 8 for two convergent limits.
- **Data need to be reported:** the above table with values for friction factor and relative error.

### 9.2. Verification study for friction factor of laminar pipe with refinement ratio $\sqrt{2}$ (+7)

Use the simulations with the meshes for grid 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8 with convergence limit  $10^{-6}$  (Except for mesh 8 other meshes and their setup is provided on the workbench file in the class website). Export friction factor and insert the values into V&V excel sheet (Refer to V&V instructions for friction factor). For each parameter, refer to ‘Nomenclature’ sheet in V&V excel sheet.

Which set of meshes is closer to the asymptotic range and why (refer to CFD Lecture 1 on class website)? Which set has a lower grid uncertainty ( $U_g$ )? Which set is closer to the theoretical value of order of accuracy (2nd order)? For the fine mesh 8, also compare its relative error of the friction factor (the one using convergent limit  $10^{-6}$  in the table in exercise 8.1) with the grid uncertainty for 6,7,8, which is higher and what does that mean for mesh 8?

- **Figure need to be reported:** Table from V&V spread sheet.

### 9.3. Verification study for friction factor of laminar pipe with refinement ratio 2 (+5)

Use the simulation for the meshes 0, 2, 4, 6 and 8 with convergence limit  $1e-6$ . Results should already be included in V&V spread sheet from previous exercise (Refer to V&V instructions for friction factor). Compared to results in 9.2, which set of meshes is sensitive to grid refinement ratio? Why?

- **Figures need to be reported:** Table from V&V spread sheet.

### 9.4. Verification study of axial velocity profile (+7)

Use mesh 4 as the “fine mesh”, use grid refinement ratio 1.414 and convergence limit  $10^{-6}$ . Follow the V&V for axial velocity profile in the results section. Save the figures and discuss if the simulation has been verified. Discuss which mesh solution is closest to the AFD data, give an explanation of why this is the case?

- **Figures need to be reported:** Figures and tables in the V&V excel sheet.

### 9.5. Simulation of turbulent pipe flow using Grid T (+9)

Use simulation with convergence limit  $10^{-6}$  and compare with EFD data on axial velocity profile and pressure distribution along the pipe. Export the axial velocity profile data at  $x=100D$ , use EXCEL to open the file you exported and normalize the profile using the centerline velocity magnitude at  $x=100D$  (Non-dimensionalize the profile by dividing with the reference value (For this exercise, reference value is the centerline velocity (=max. velocity))). Plot the normalized velocity profile in EXCEL and paste the figure into WORD.

- **Figures need to be reported:** Axial velocity profile with EFD data, normalized axial velocity profile at  $x=100D$  with EFD data, centerline pressure distribution with EFD data, centerline velocity distribution, contour of axial velocity, velocity vectors showing the developing region and developed regions.
- **Data need to be reported:** Developing length and compare it with that using formula in textbook.

### 9.6. Comparison between laminar and turbulent pipe flow (+9)

Compare the results of laminar pipe flow using mesh 8 in exercise 9.1 (convergent limit  $10^{-6}$ ) with results of turbulent pipe flow in exercise 9.5. Analyze the difference in normalized axial velocity profile and developing length for laminar and turbulent pipe flows.

- **Figures need to be reported:** Axial velocity profile with AFD data, normalized axial velocity profile at  $x=100D$  with AFD data, normalized axial velocity profile at  $x=100D$  comparing laminar and turbulent CFD results, centerline velocity distribution for laminar flow.
- **Data need to be reported:** Developing length for laminar pipe flow and compared it with that using formula in textbook.

### 9.7. Questions need to be answered in CFD Lab report

9.7.1. Answer all the questions in exercises 9.1 to 9.6

9.7.2. Analyze the difference between CFD/AFD and CFD/EFD and possible error sources (+2)

## 10. Grading scheme for CFD Lab Report

(Applied to all CFD Lab reports)

Section		Points
1	<b>Title Page</b> 1.1 Course Name 1.2 Title of report 1.3 Submitted to “Instructor’s name” 1.4 Your name (with email address) 1.5 Your affiliation (group, section, department) 1.6 Date and time lab conducted	5
2	<b>Test and Simulation Design</b> Purpose of CFD simulation	10
3	<b>CFD Process</b> Describe in your own words how you implemented CFD process (Hint: CFD process block diagram)	20
4	<b>Data Analysis and Discussion</b> ←Section 9 (Page# 51) for CFD Lab 1 Answer questions given in <b>Exercises</b> of the CFD lab handouts	45
5	<b>Conclusions</b> Conclusions regarding achieving purpose of simulation Describe what you learned from CFD Describe the “hands-on” part Describe future work and any improvements	20
	<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

### Additional Instructions:

1. Each student is required to hand in individual lab report.
2. Conventions for graphical presentation (**CFD**):
  - \* Color print of figures recommended but not required
3. Reports will not be graded unless section 1 is included and complete