

Modal Analysis of a Satellite

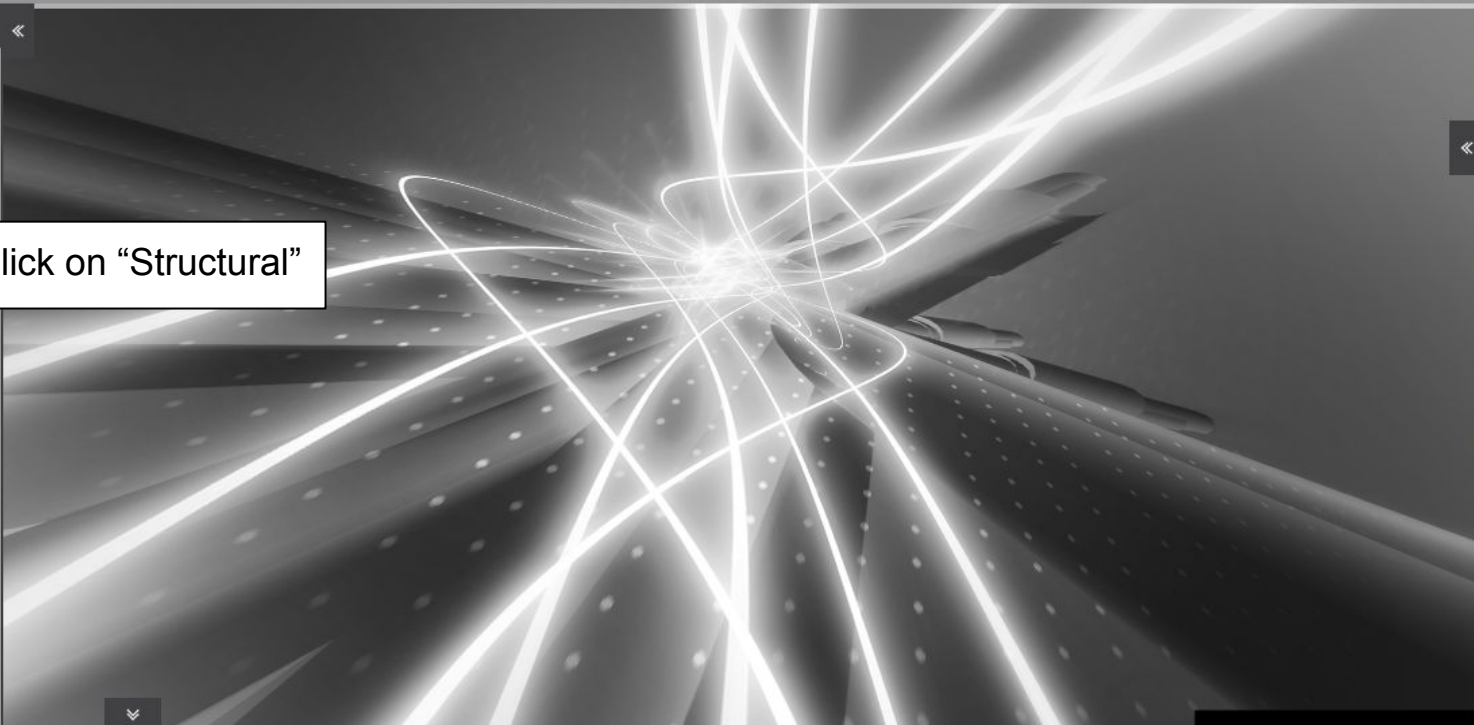
Using Ansys AIM

Study

- > Simulation Processes
- Simulation Process Templates
 - Structural**
 - Fluid Flow
 - Thermal
 - Conduction
 - Fluid-Structure Interaction
 - Fluid-Solid Heat Transfer
 - Polymer Extrusion
 - Magnetics
 - User Defined
- Additional Creation Methods
 - Import Geometry
 - Connect to CAD
 - Import Database
 - Add Task
- > Named Expressions / Values

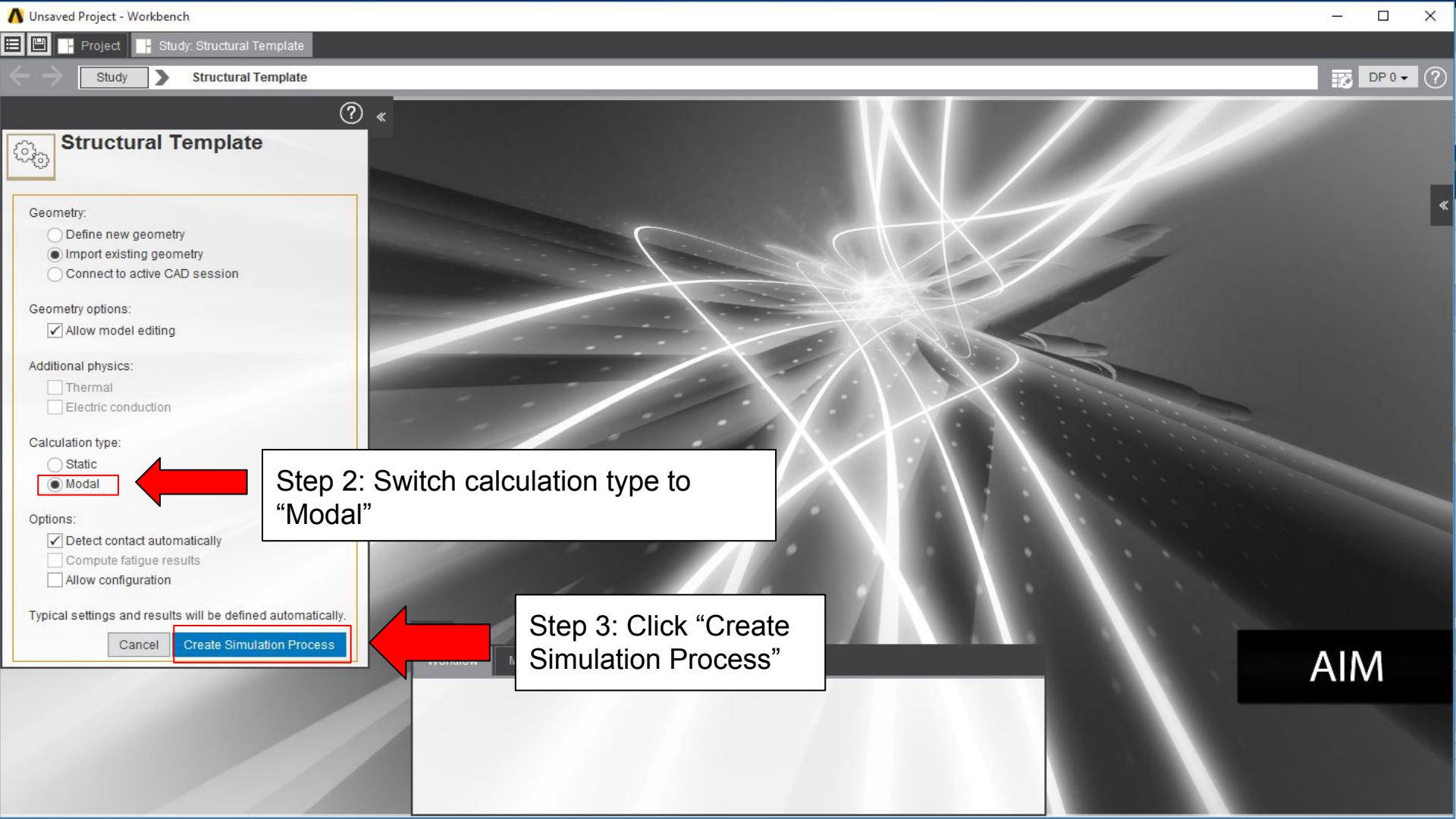


Step 1: Click on "Structural"



Workflow Messages

AIM



Structural Template

Geometry:

- Define new geometry
- Import existing geometry
- Connect to active CAD session

Geometry options:

- Allow model editing

Additional physics:

- Thermal
- Electric conduction

Calculation type:

- Static
- Modal

Options:

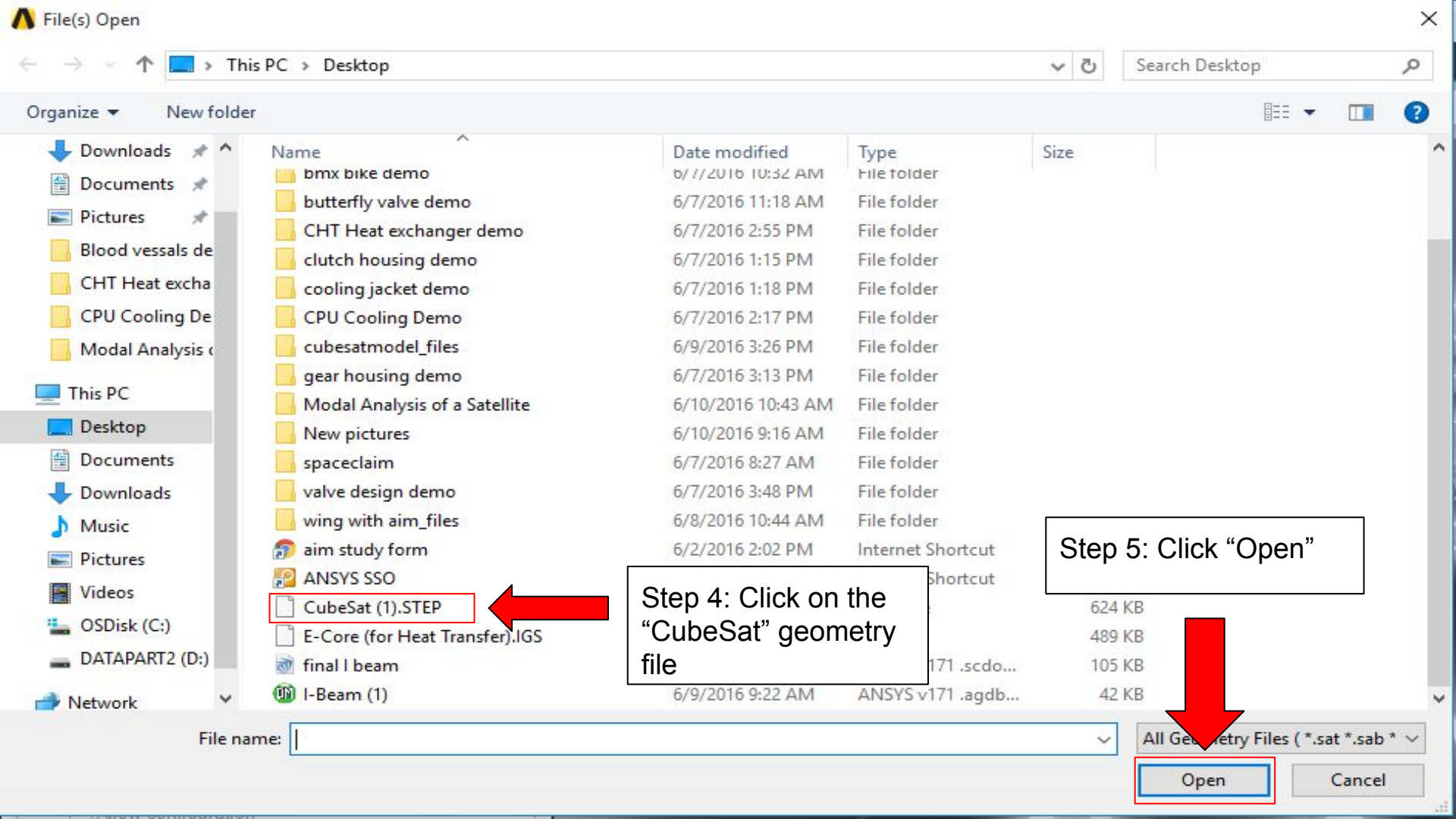
- Detect contact automatically
- Compute fatigue results
- Allow configuration

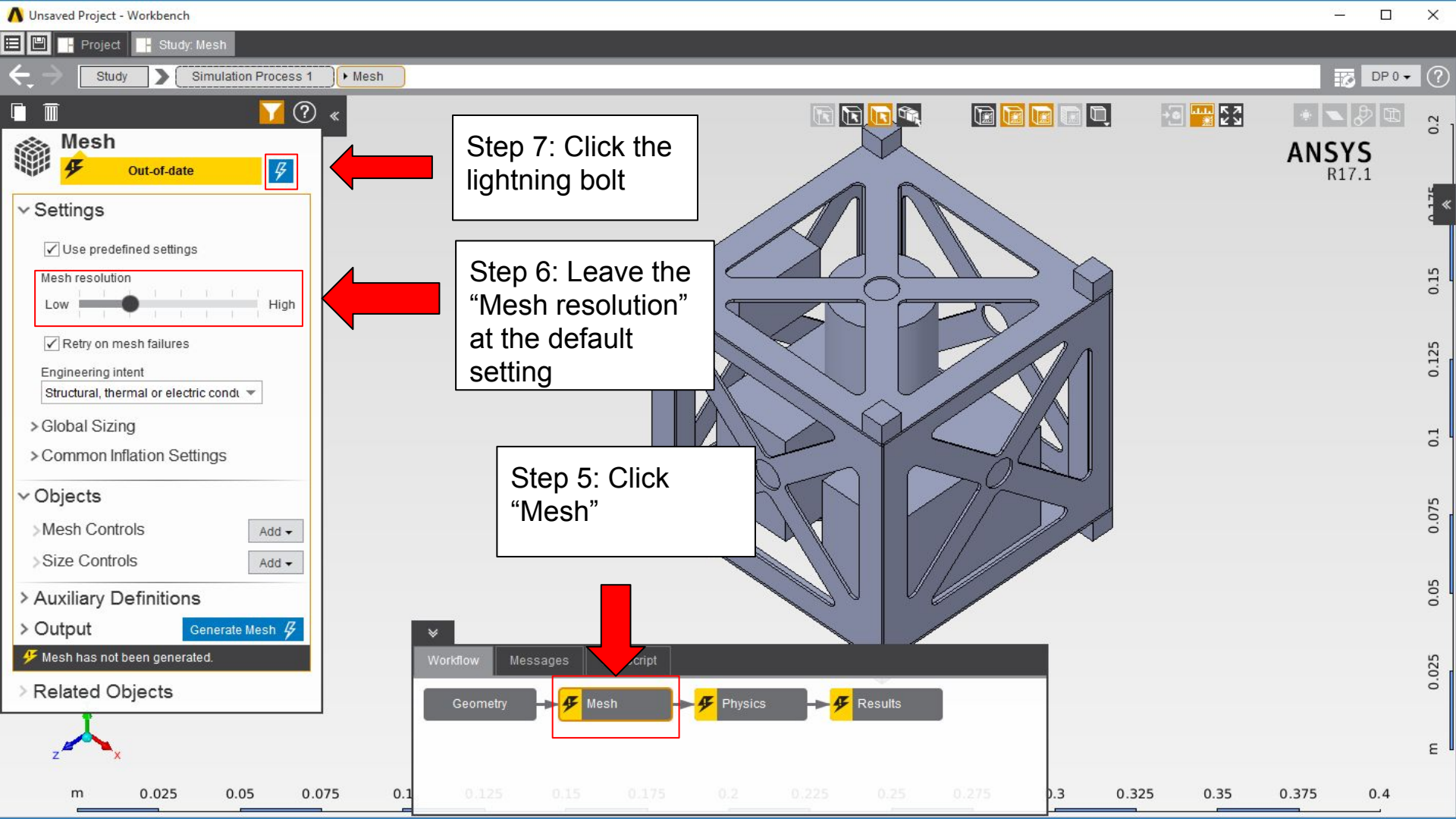
Typical settings and results will be defined automatically.

Cancel Create Simulation Process

Step 2: Switch calculation type to "Modal"

Step 3: Click "Create Simulation Process"





Step 7: Click the lightning bolt

Step 6: Leave the "Mesh resolution" at the default setting

Step 5: Click "Mesh"

Mesh Out-of-date

Settings

- Use predefined settings
- Mesh resolution: Low High
- Retry on mesh failures
- Engineering intent: Structural, thermal or electric cond.

Global Sizing

Common Inflation Settings

Objects

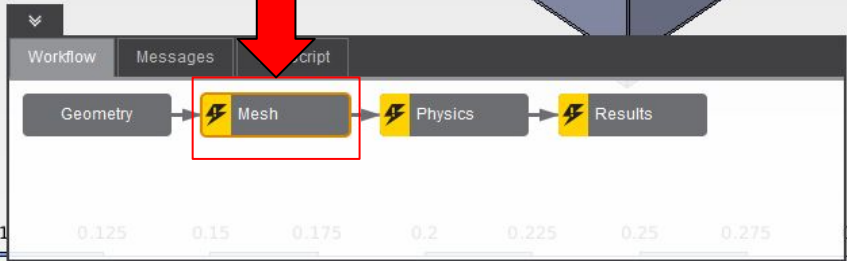
- Mesh Controls Add
- Size Controls Add

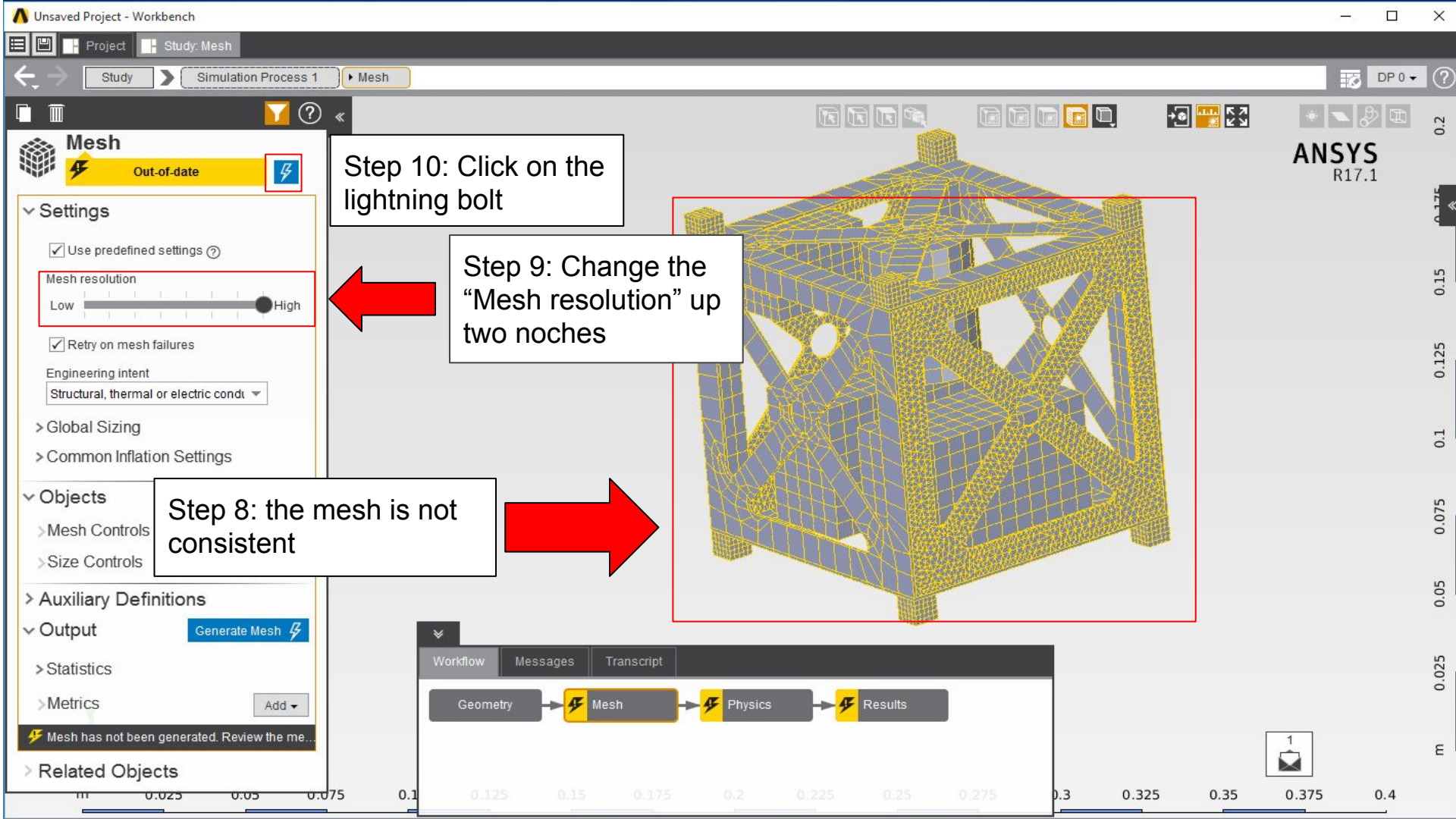
Auxiliary Definitions

Output Generate Mesh

Mesh has not been generated.

Related Objects





Step 10: Click on the lightning bolt

Step 9: Change the "Mesh resolution" up two notches

Step 8: the mesh is not consistent

Mesh

Up-to-date

Use predefined settings

Mesh resolution

Low High

Retry on mesh fail

Engineering intent
Structural, thermal or electric cond

> Global Sizing

> Common Inflation Settings

Objects

> Mesh Controls

> Size Controls

Auxiliary Definitions

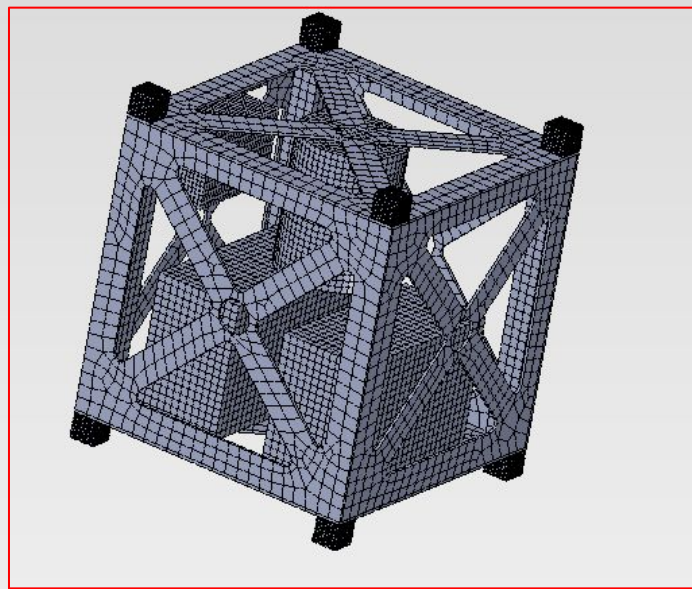
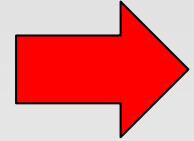
Output

> Statistics

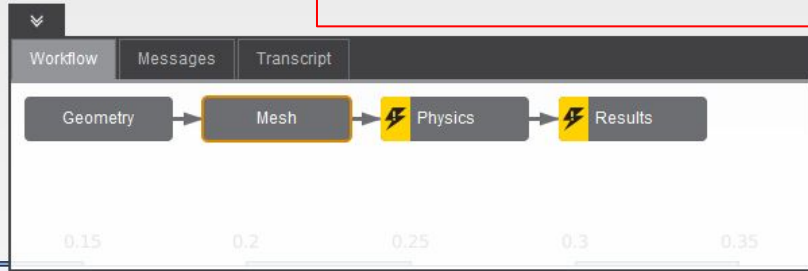
> Metrics

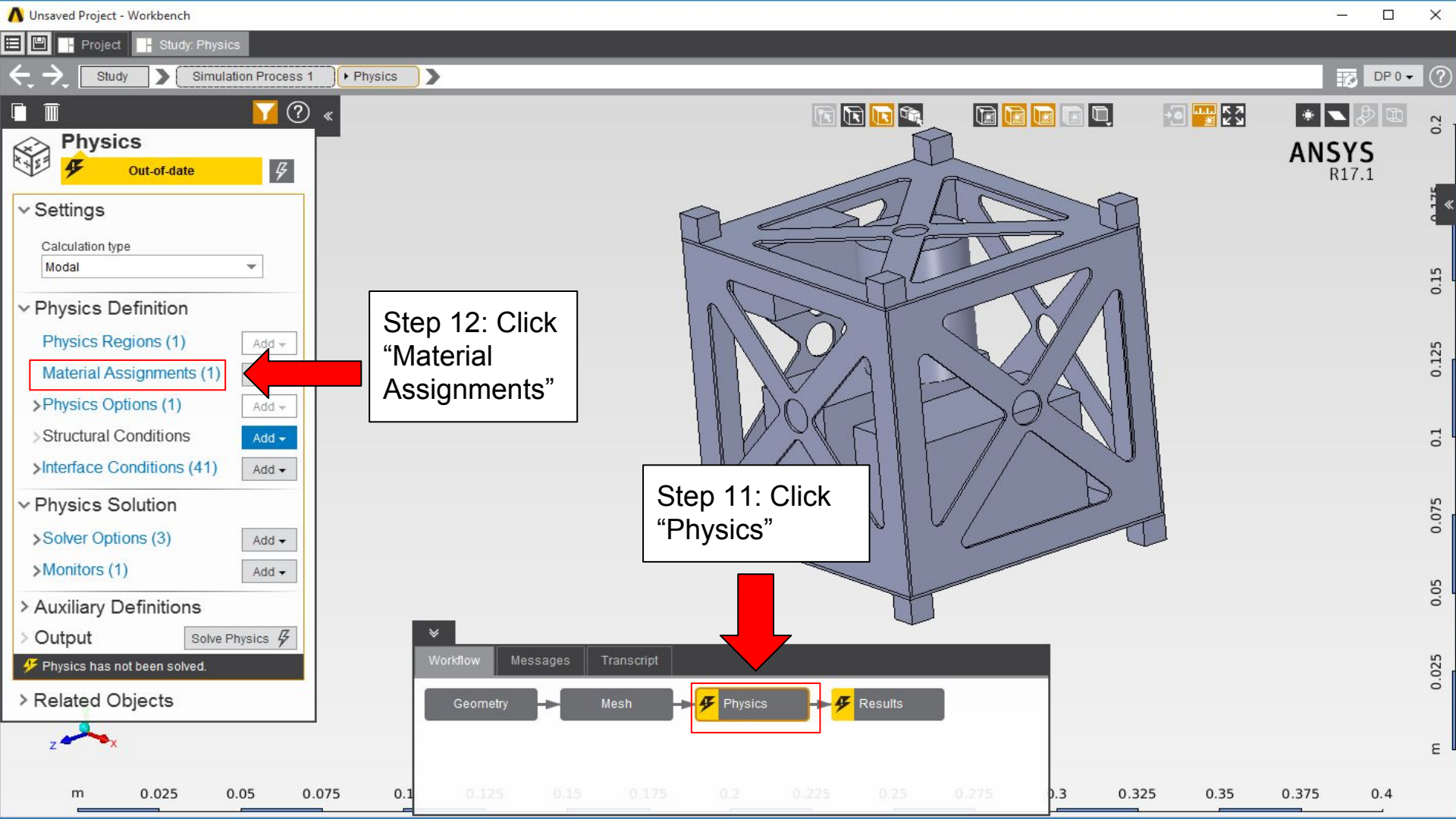
Related Objects

Mesh looks way better



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Step 12: Click
"Material
Assignments"

Step 11: Click
"Physics"

Physics
Out-of-date

Settings

Calculation type
Modal

Physics Definition

- Physics Regions (1) Add
- Material Assignments (1)**
- Physics Options (1) Add
- Structural Conditions Add
- Interface Conditions (41) Add

Physics Solution

- Solver Options (3) Add
- Monitors (1) Add

Auxiliary Definitions

Output Solve Physics

Physics has not been solved.

Related Objects

Workflow Messages Transcript

Geometry → Mesh → **Physics** → Results

Step 13: Click on the trashcan

Structural Steel

Up-to-date

Location
Structural Physics Region 1

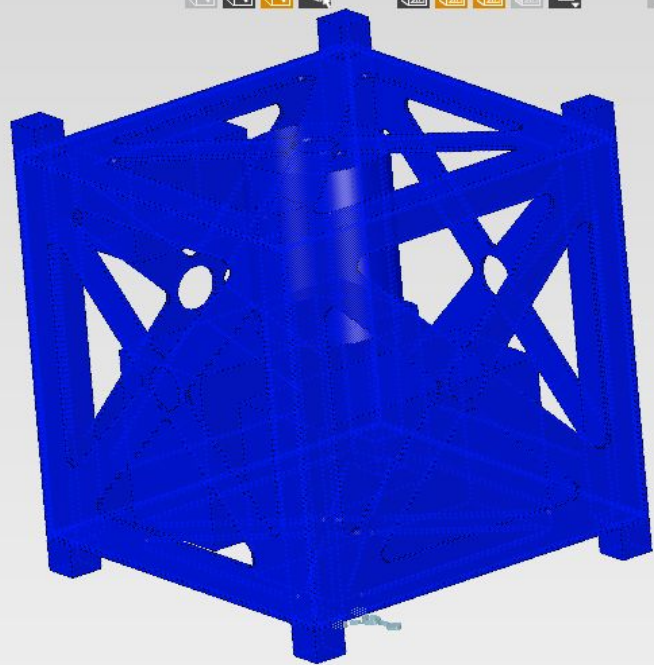
Material
Structural Steel

Zero-thermal-strain reference temperature
22 C

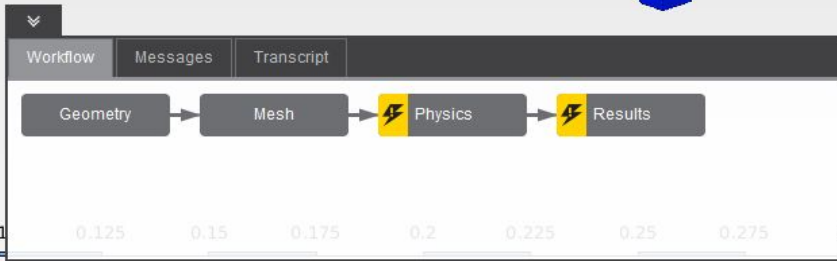
> Structural Steel (used by 1 object)

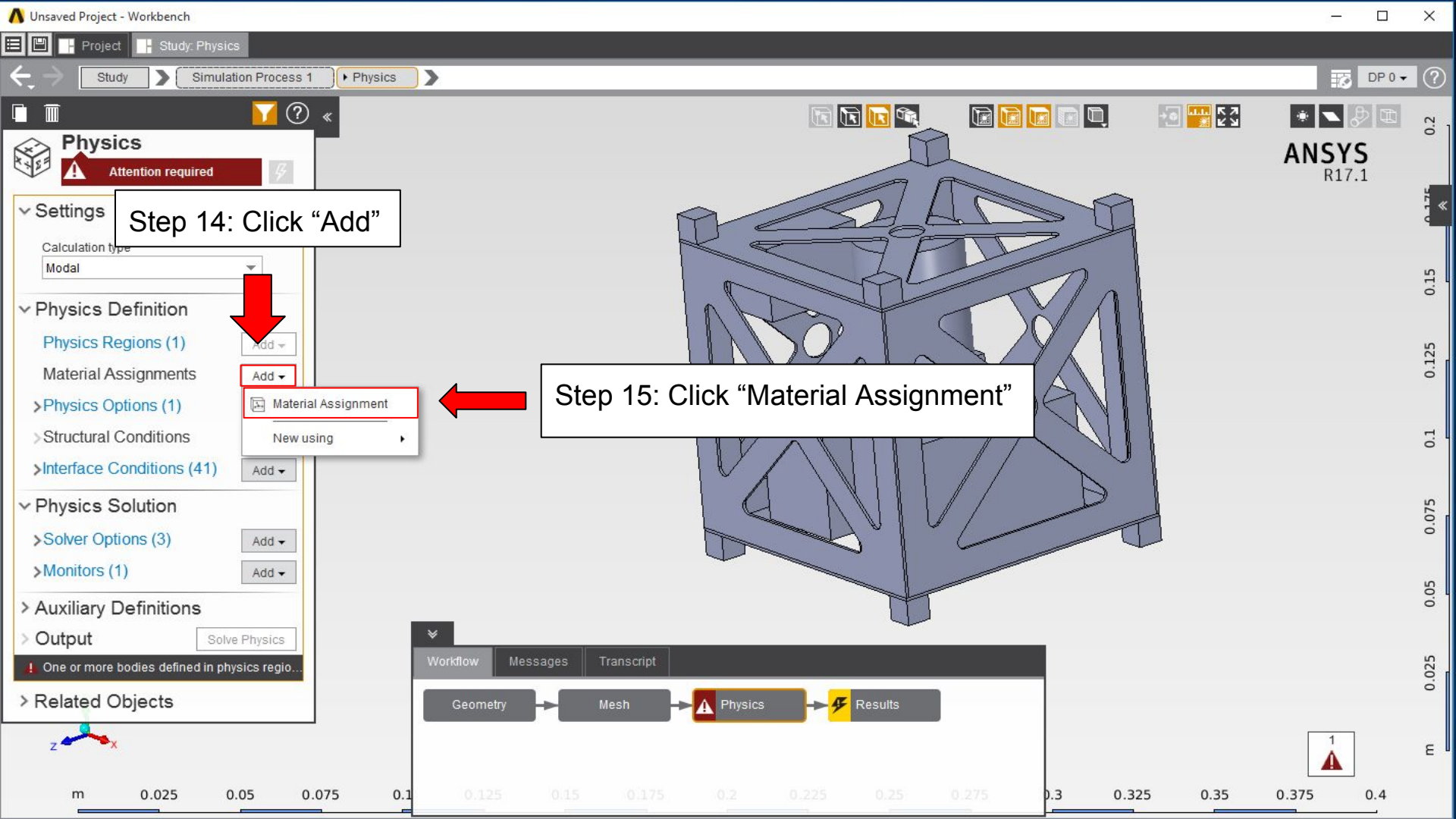
Next Step

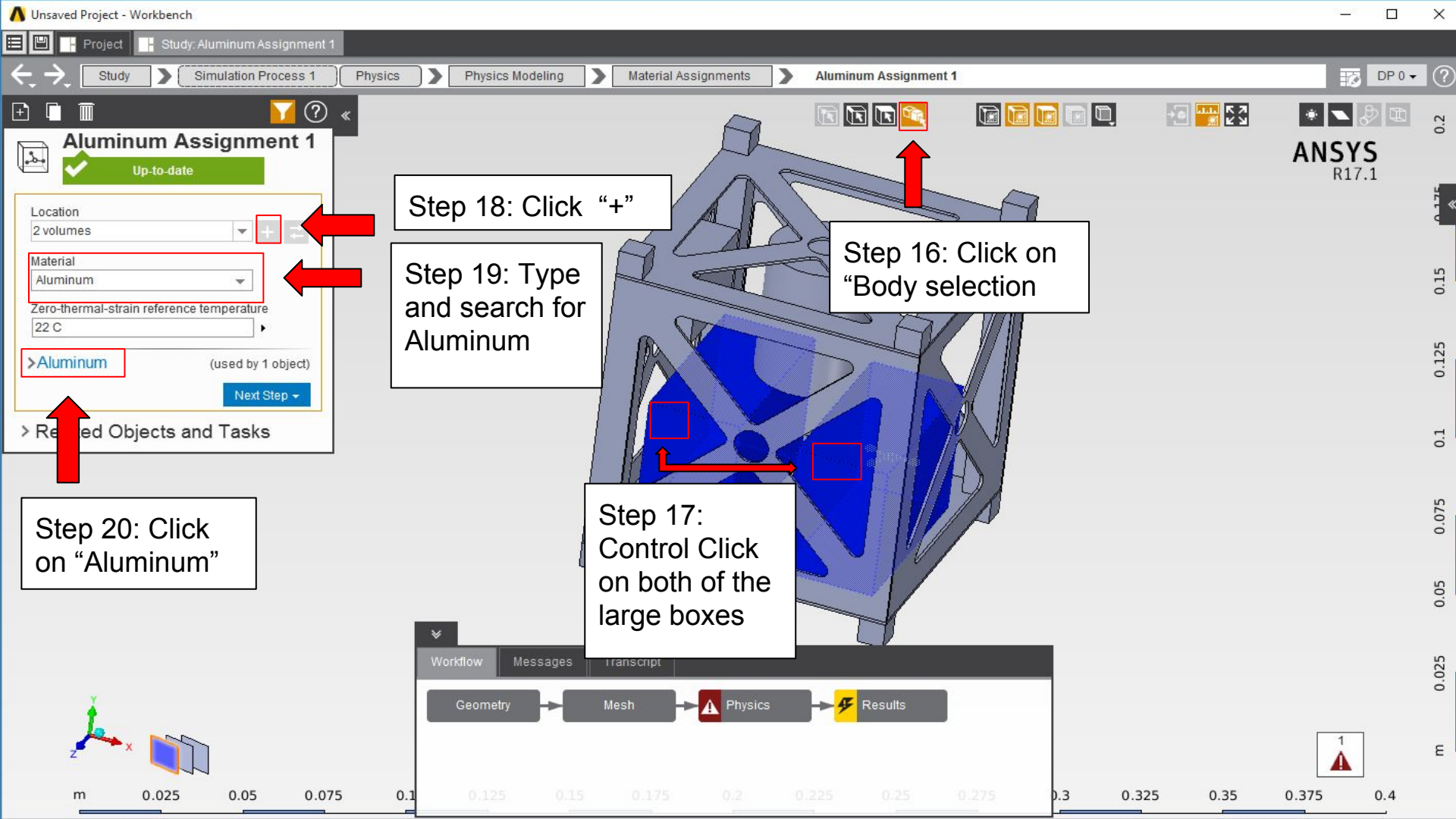
> Related Objects and Tasks



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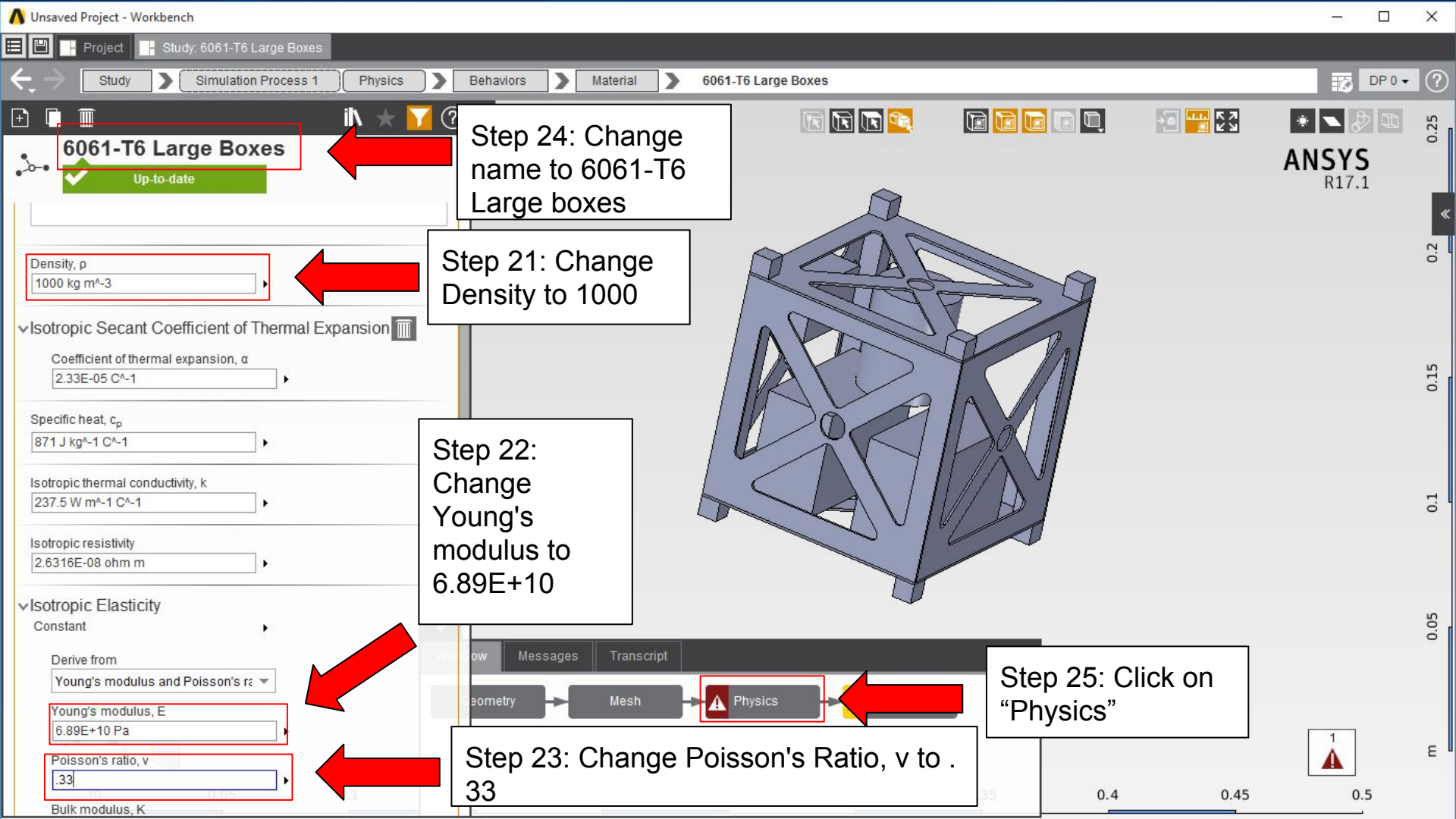
Step 18: Click "+"

Step 19: Type and search for Aluminum

Step 16: Click on "Body selection"

Step 17: Control Click on both of the large boxes

Step 20: Click on "Aluminum"



Step 24: Change name to 6061-T6 Large boxes

Step 21: Change Density to 1000

Step 22: Change Young's modulus to 6.89E+10

Step 25: Click on "Physics"

Step 23: Change Poisson's Ratio, ν to .33

6061-T6 Large Boxes
Up-to-date

Density, ρ
1000 kg m⁻³

Isotropic Secant Coefficient of Thermal Expansion
Coefficient of thermal expansion, α
2.33E-05 C⁻¹

Specific heat, c_p
871 J kg⁻¹ C⁻¹

Isotropic thermal conductivity, k
237.5 W m⁻¹ C⁻¹

Isotropic resistivity
2.6316E-08 ohm m

Isotropic Elasticity
Constant

Derive from
Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio

Young's modulus, E
6.89E+10 Pa

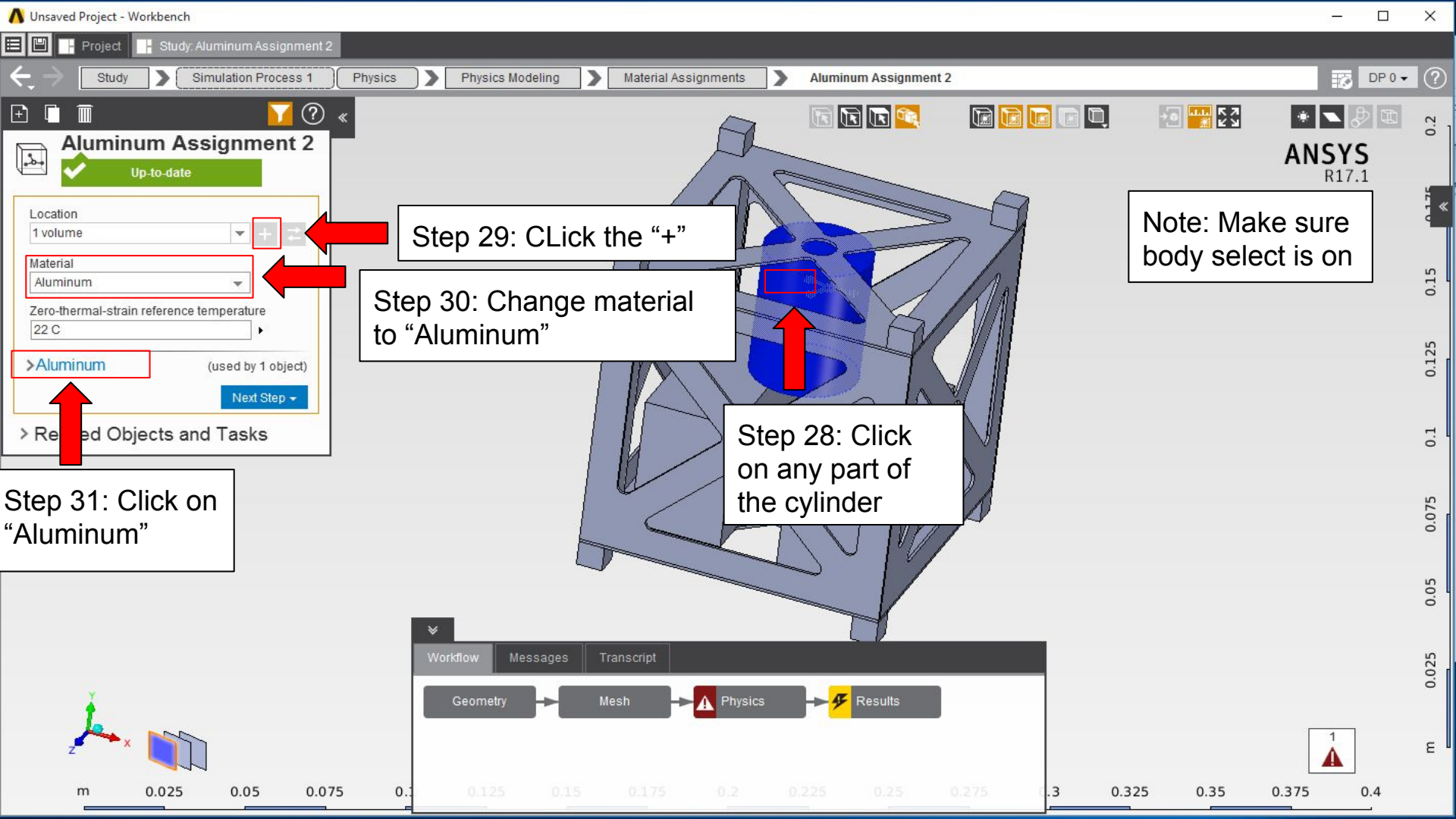
Poisson's ratio, ν
.33

Bulk modulus, K

Geometry → Mesh → Physics

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Note: Make sure
body select is on

Step 29: Click the "+"

Step 30: Change material
to "Aluminum"

Step 28: Click
on any part of
the cylinder

Aluminum Assignment 2
Up-to-date

Location
1 volume

Material
Aluminum

Zero-thermal-strain reference temperature
22 C

> Aluminum (used by 1 object)

Next Step

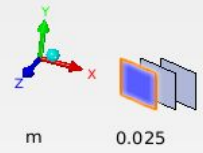
> Related Objects and Tasks

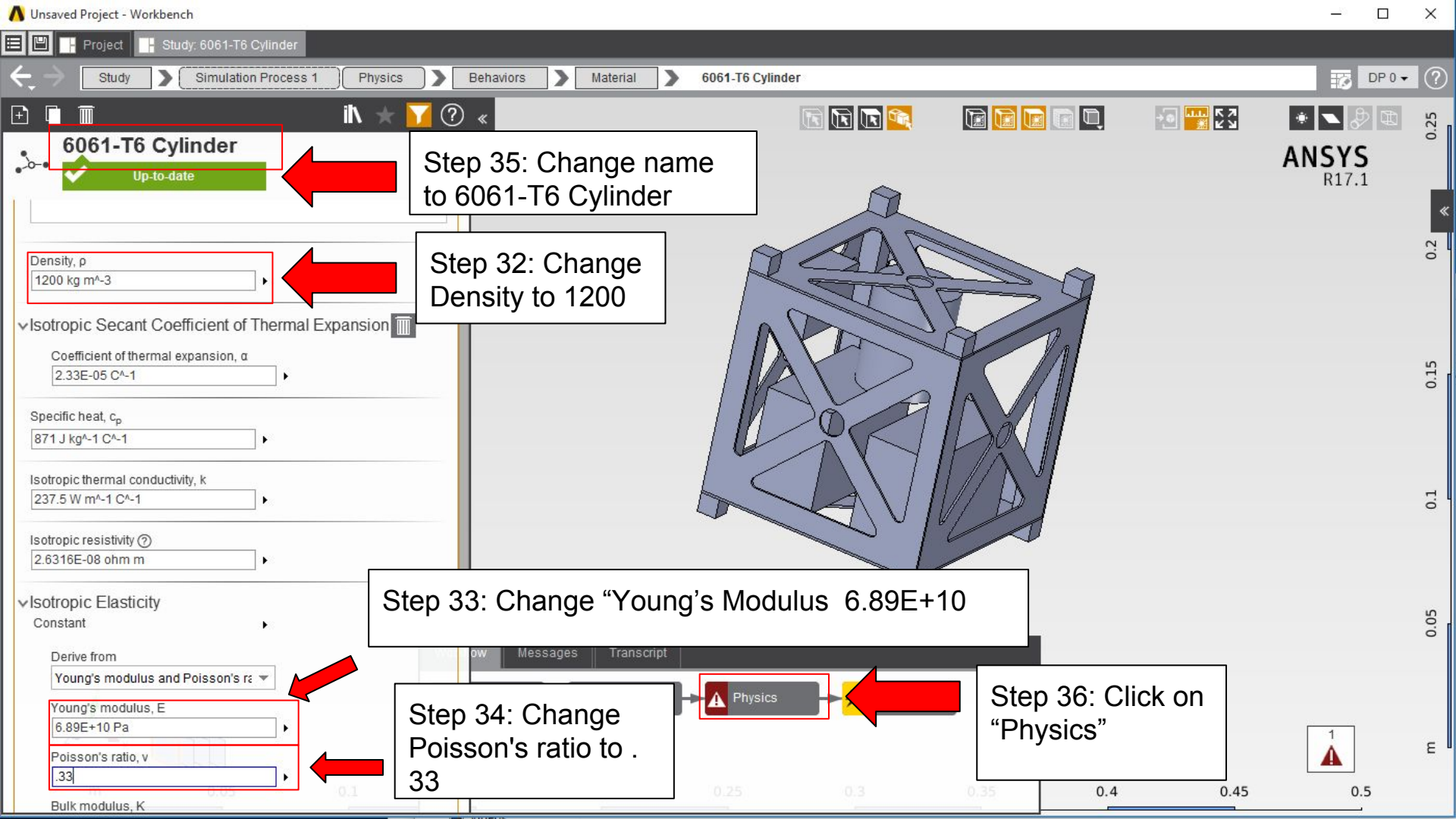
Step 31: Click on
"Aluminum"

Workflow Messages Transcript

Geometry -> Mesh -> Physics -> Results

0.025 0.05 0.075 0.1 0.125 0.15 0.175 0.2 0.225 0.25 0.275 0.3 0.325 0.35 0.375 0.4





6061-T6 Cylinder

Up-to-date

Step 35: Change name to 6061-T6 Cylinder

Density, ρ

1200 kg m⁻³

Step 32: Change Density to 1200

Isotropic Secant Coefficient of Thermal Expansion

Coefficient of thermal expansion, α

2.33E-05 C⁻¹

Specific heat, c_p

871 J kg⁻¹ C⁻¹

Isotropic thermal conductivity, k

237.5 W m⁻¹ C⁻¹

Isotropic resistivity ρ

2.6316E-08 ohm m

Isotropic Elasticity

Constant

Derive from

Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio

Young's modulus, E

6.89E+10 Pa

Poisson's ratio, ν

.33

Step 33: Change "Young's Modulus 6.89E+10

Step 34: Change Poisson's ratio to .33

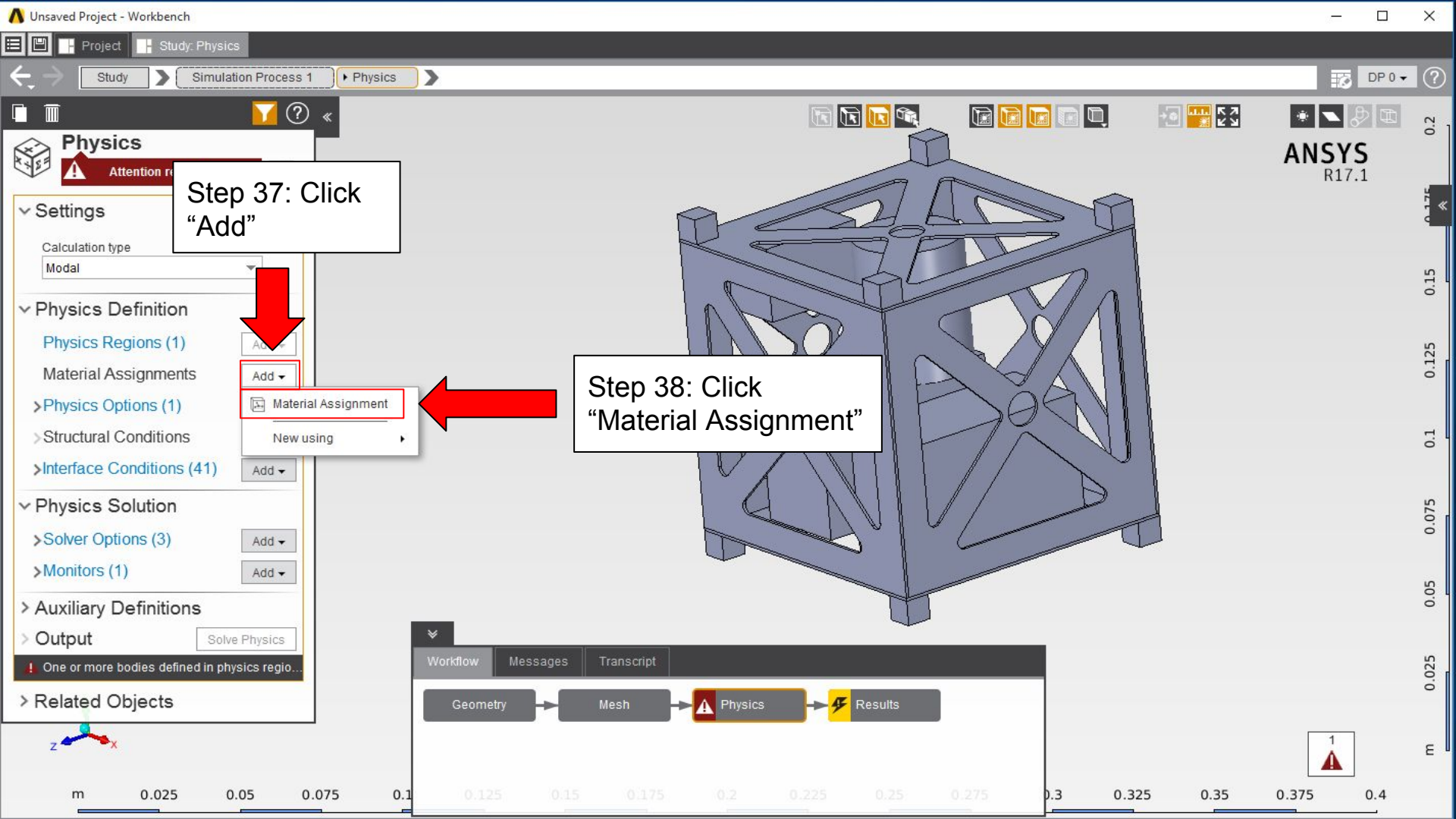
Physics

Step 36: Click on "Physics"

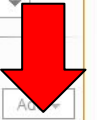
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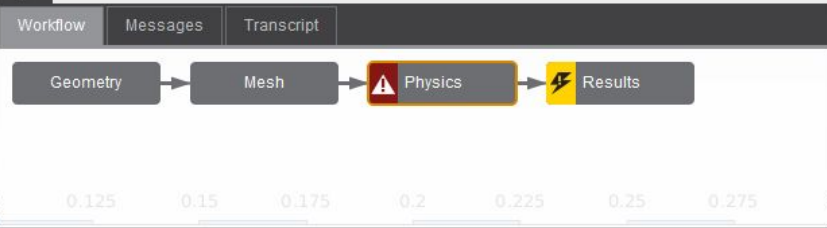




Step 37: Click "Add"



Step 38: Click "Material Assignment"



Aluminum Assignment 3

Up-to-date

Location
1 volume

Material
Aluminum

Zero-thermal-strain reference temperature
22 C

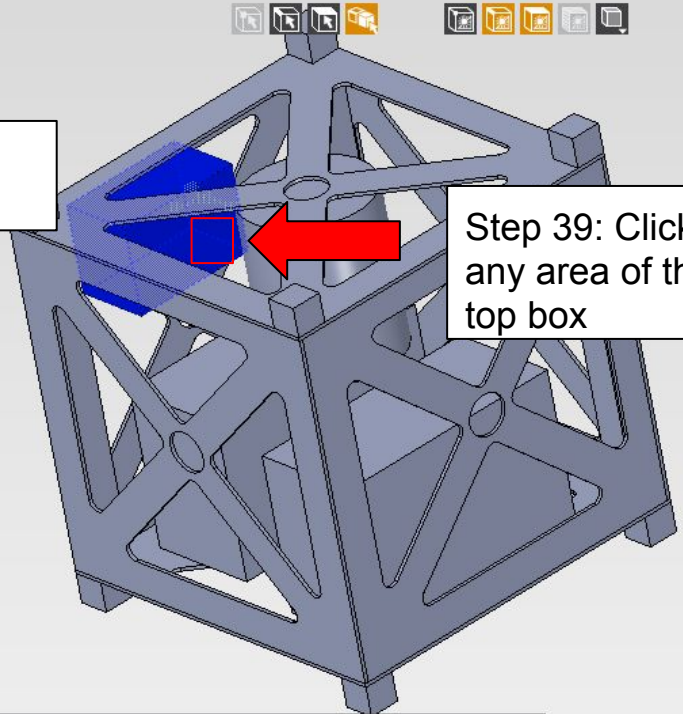
>Aluminum

> Related Objects and Tasks

Step 40: Click the "+"

Step 41: Click on "Aluminum"

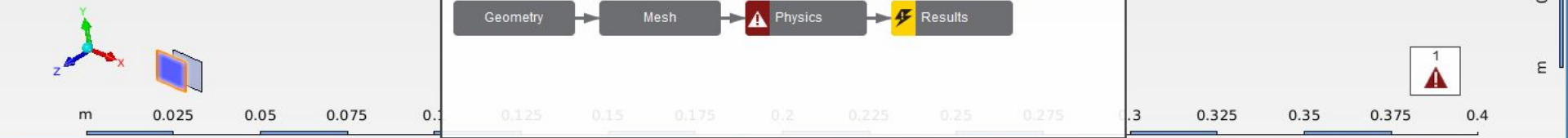
Step 39: Click on any area of the top box

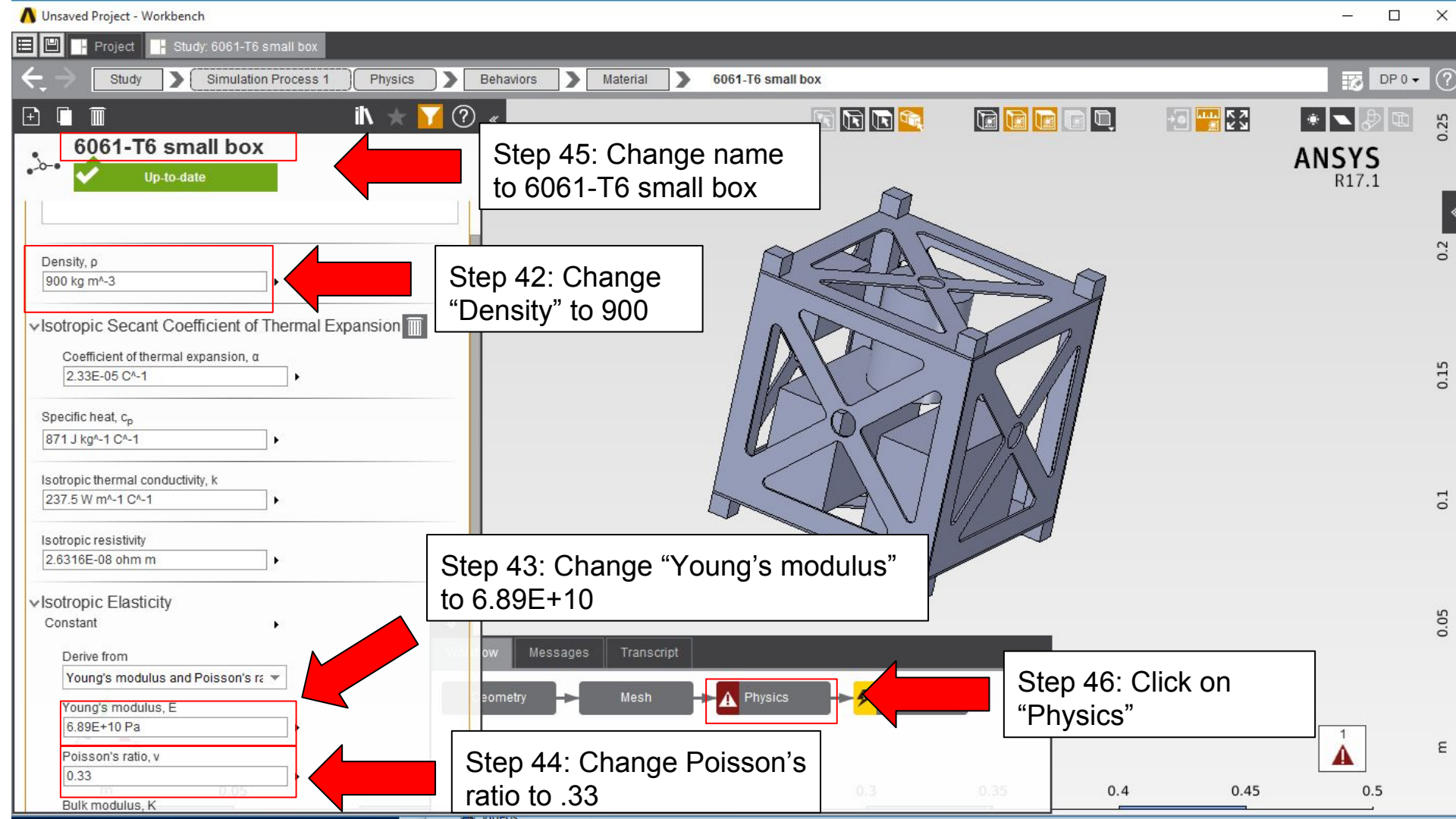


Workflow Messages Transcript

Geometry → Mesh → **Physics** → Results

1





6061-T6 small box

Step 45: Change name to 6061-T6 small box

Density, ρ
900 kg m⁻³

Step 42: Change "Density" to 900

Step 43: Change "Young's modulus" to 6.89E+10

Derive from
Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio

Young's modulus, E
6.89E+10 Pa

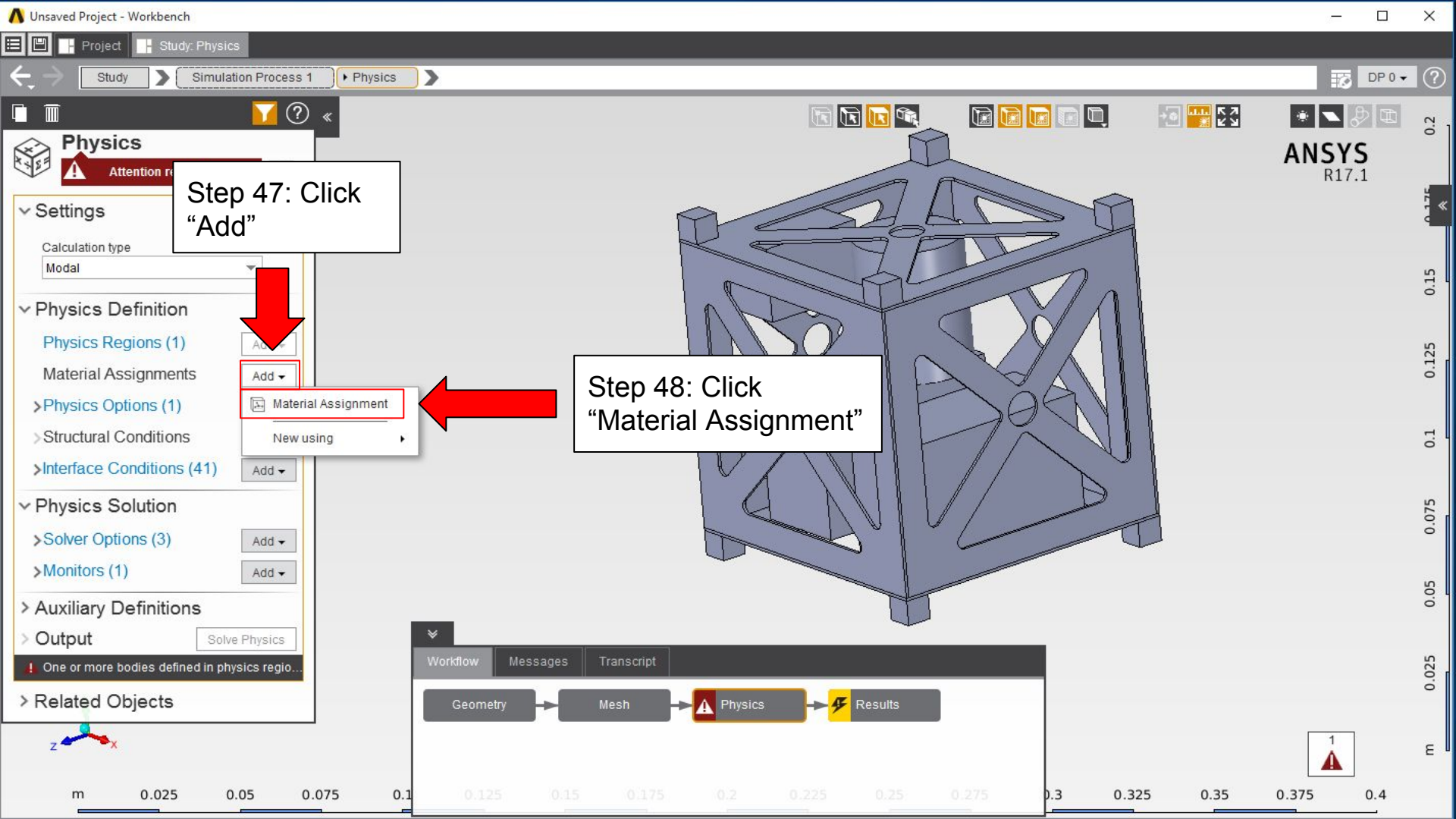
Poisson's ratio, ν
0.33

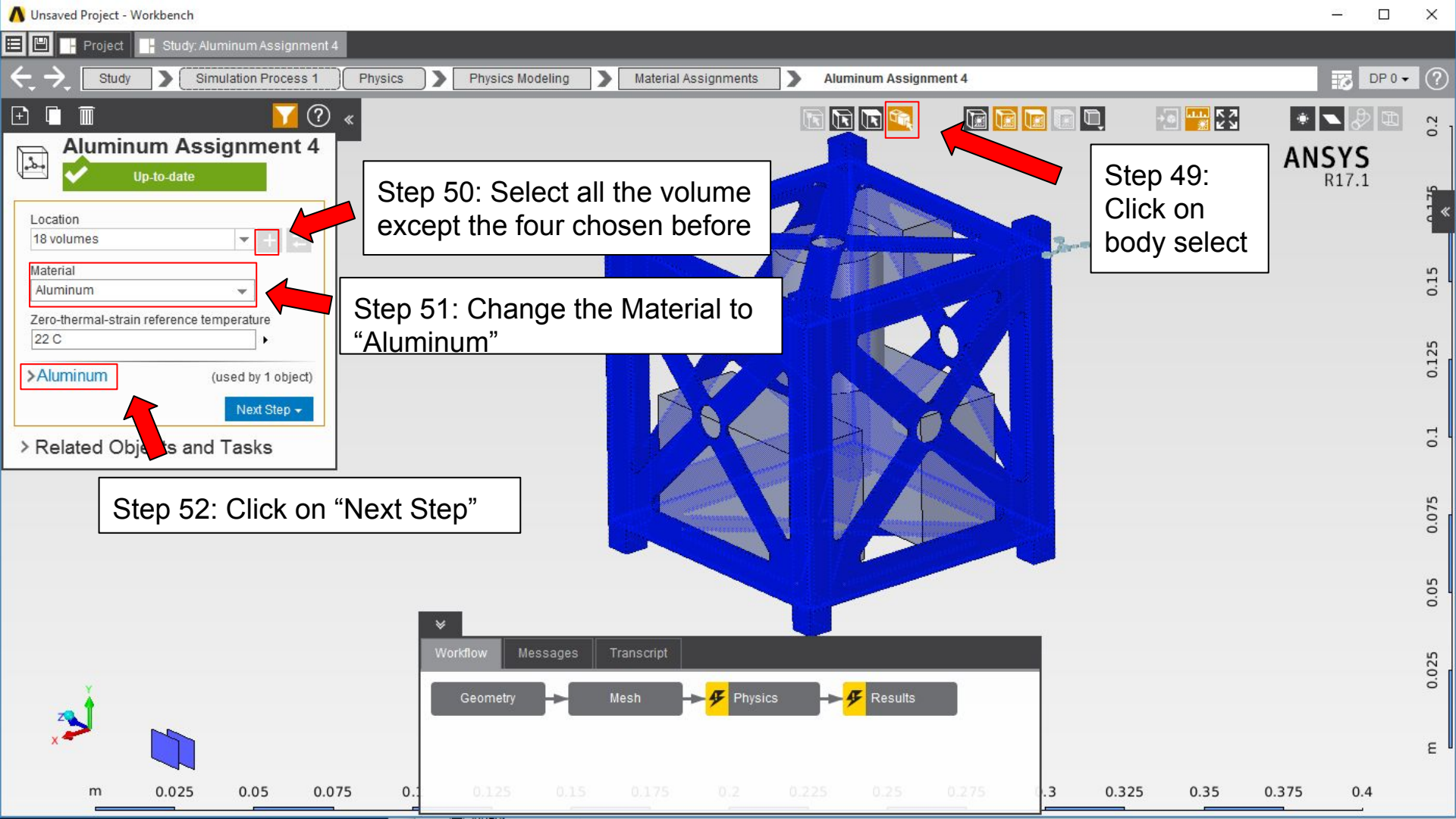
Step 44: Change Poisson's ratio to .33

Step 46: Click on "Physics"

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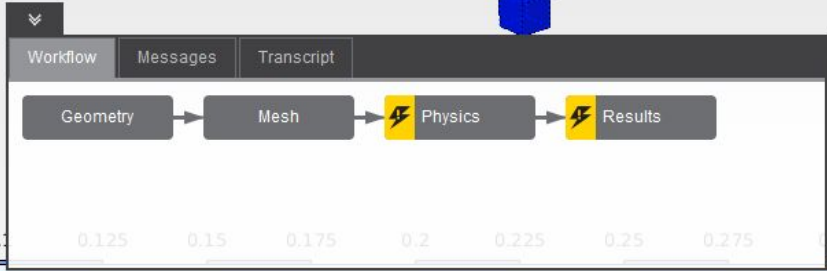


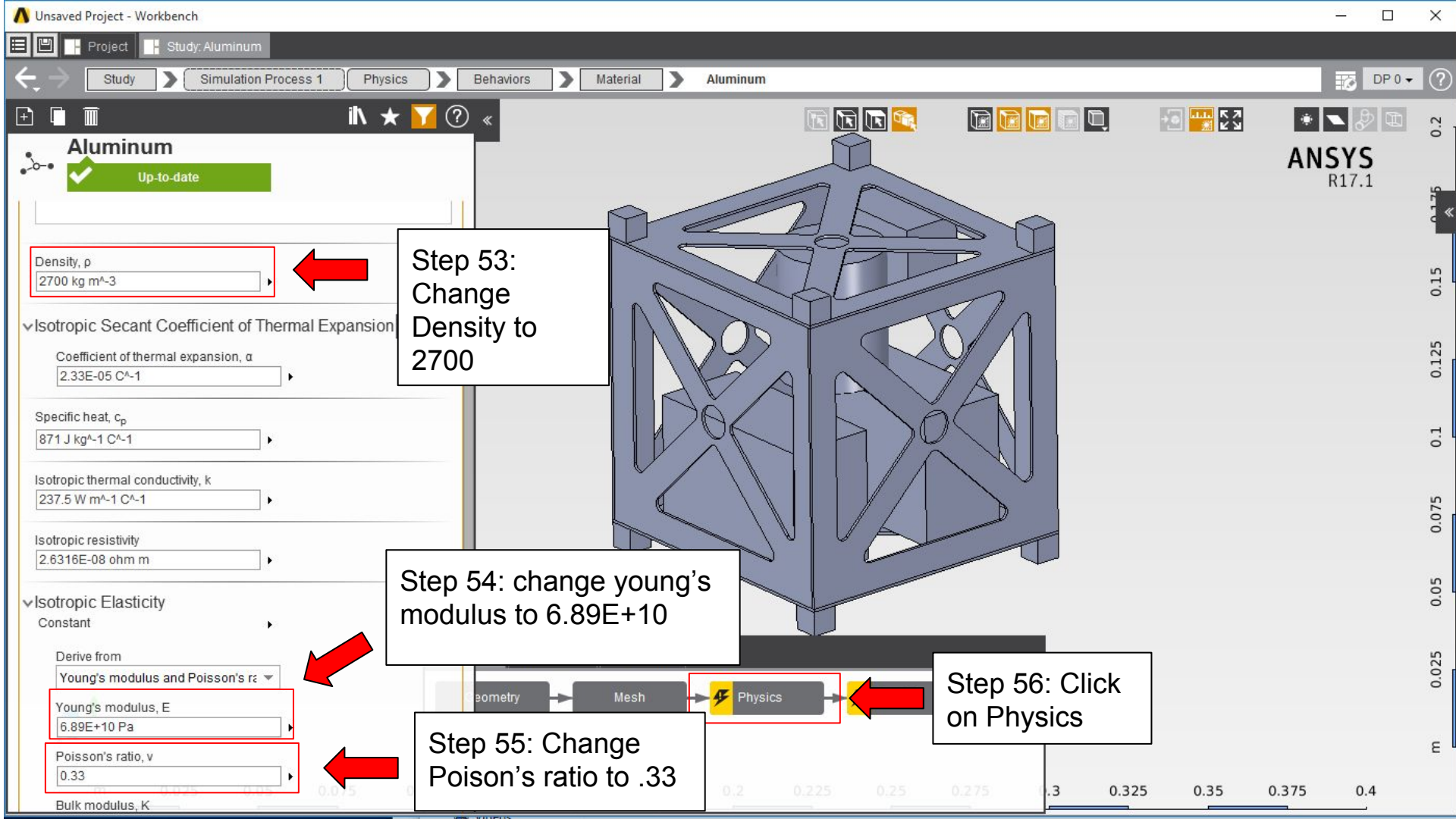
Step 50: Select all the volume except the four chosen before

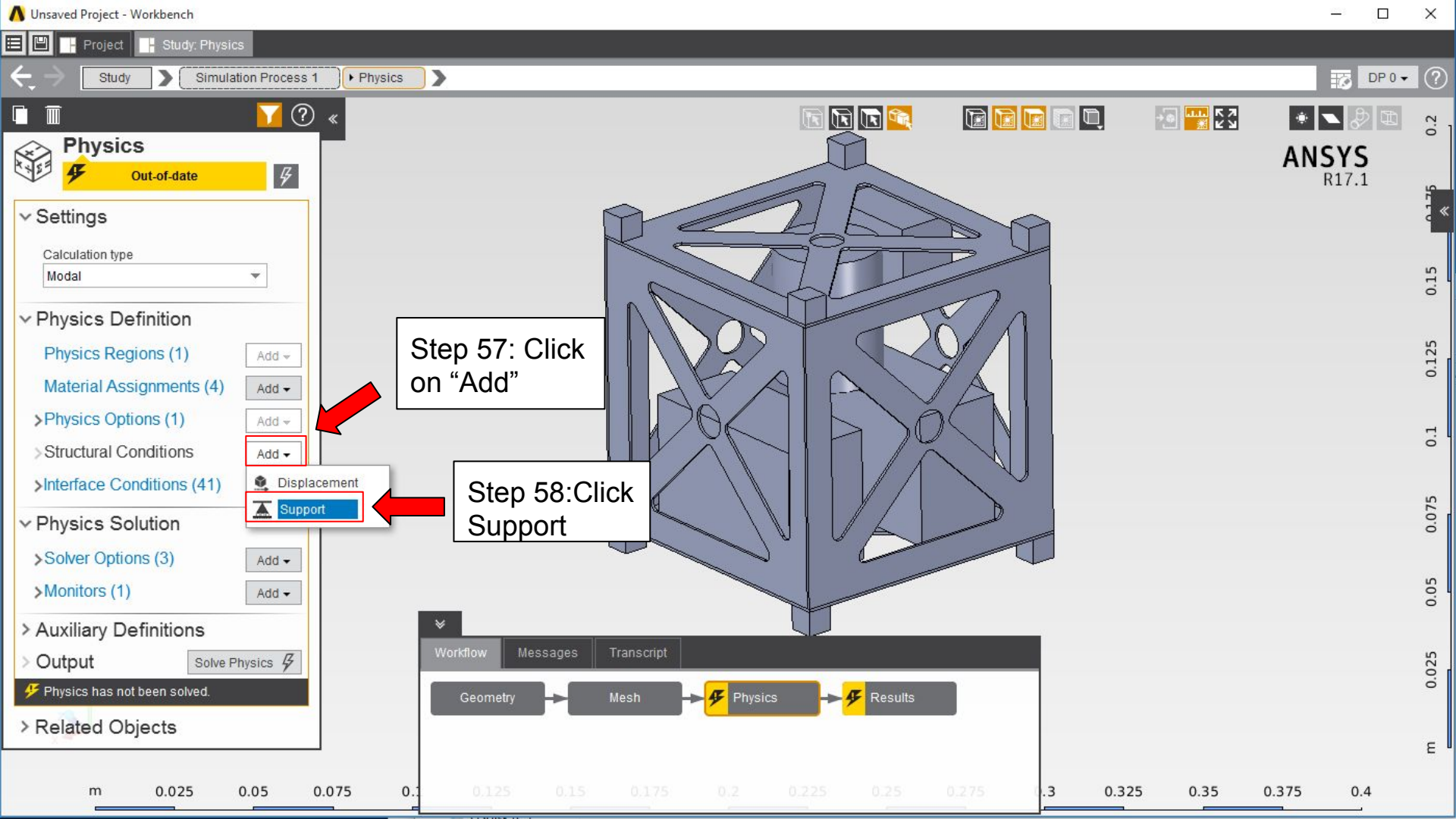
Step 51: Change the Material to "Aluminum"

Step 49: Click on body select

Step 52: Click on "Next Step"

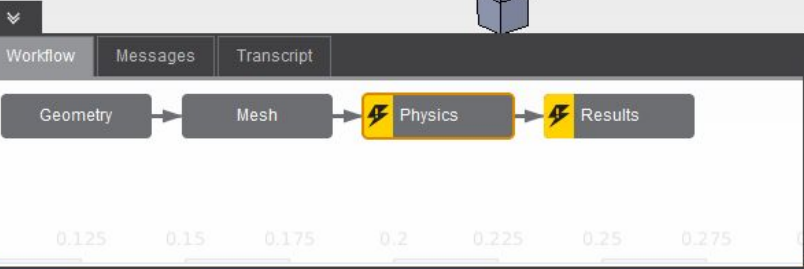


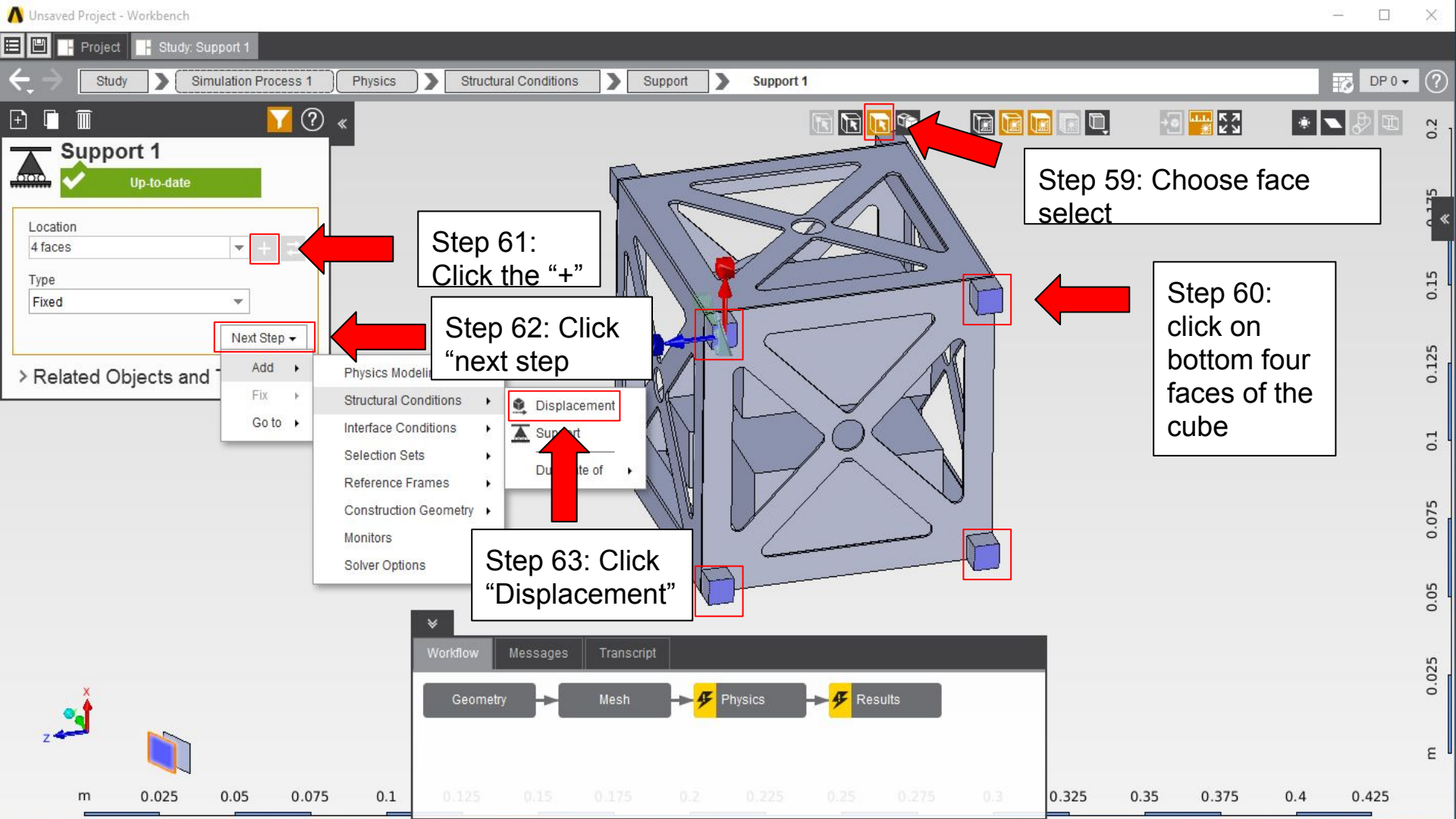




Step 57: Click on "Add"

Step 58: Click Support





Support 1
Up-to-date

Location
4 faces

Type
Fixed

Next Step

Add
Fix
Go to

Related Objects and

Step 61: Click the "+"

Step 62: Click "next step"

Step 63: Click "Displacement"

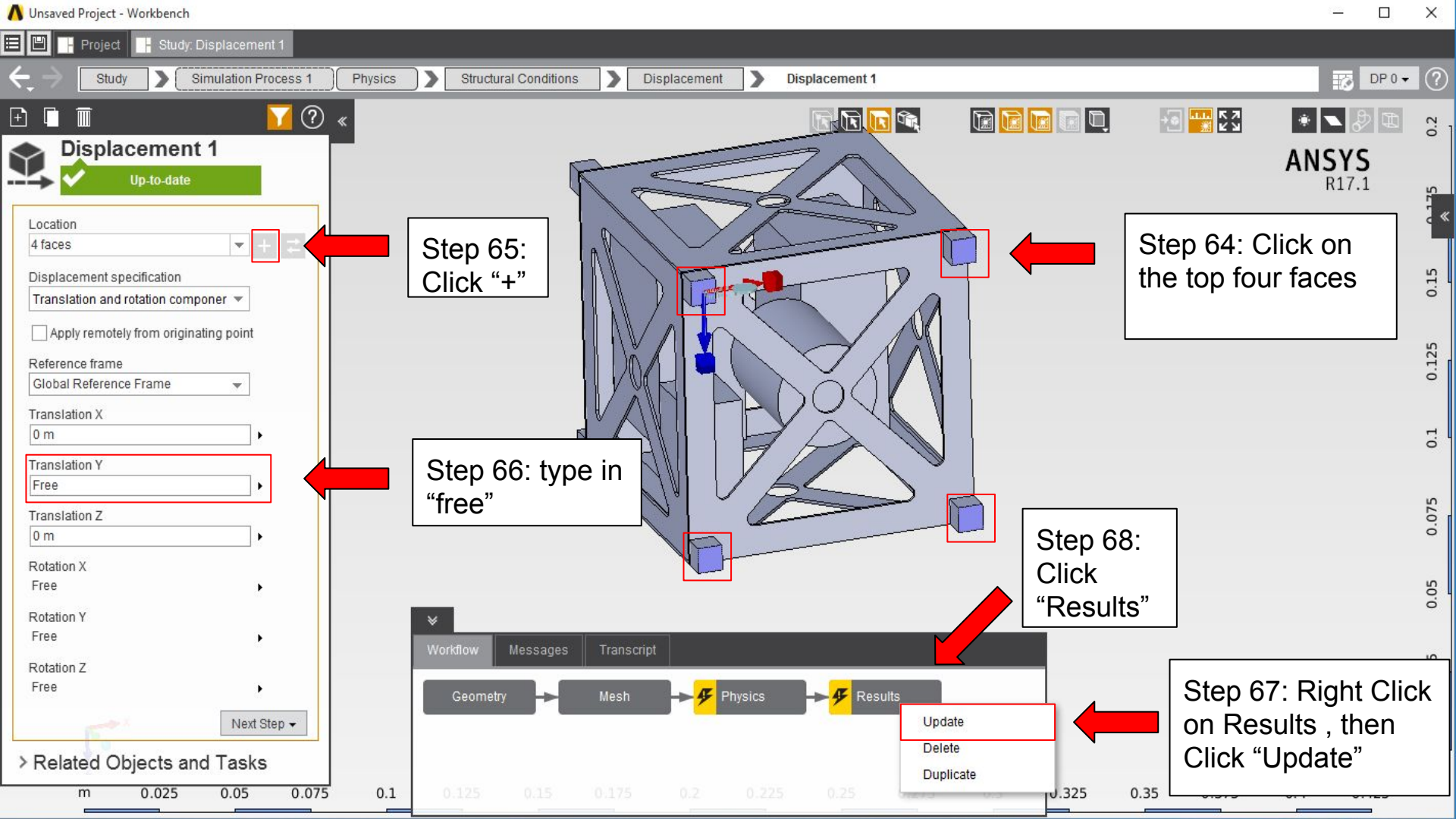
Step 59: Choose face select

Step 60: click on bottom four faces of the cube

Workflow Messages Transcript

Geometry Mesh Physics Results

0.025 0.05 0.075 0.1 0.125 0.15 0.175 0.2 0.225 0.25 0.275 0.3 0.325 0.35 0.375 0.4 0.425



Displacement 1
Up-to-date

Location
4 faces

Displacement specification
Translation and rotation component

Apply remotely from originating point

Reference frame
Global Reference Frame

Translation X
0 m

Translation Y
Free

Translation Z
0 m

Rotation X
Free

Rotation Y
Free

Rotation Z
Free

Next Step

> Related Objects and Tasks

Step 65:
Click "+"

Step 64: Click on
the top four faces

Step 66: type in
"free"

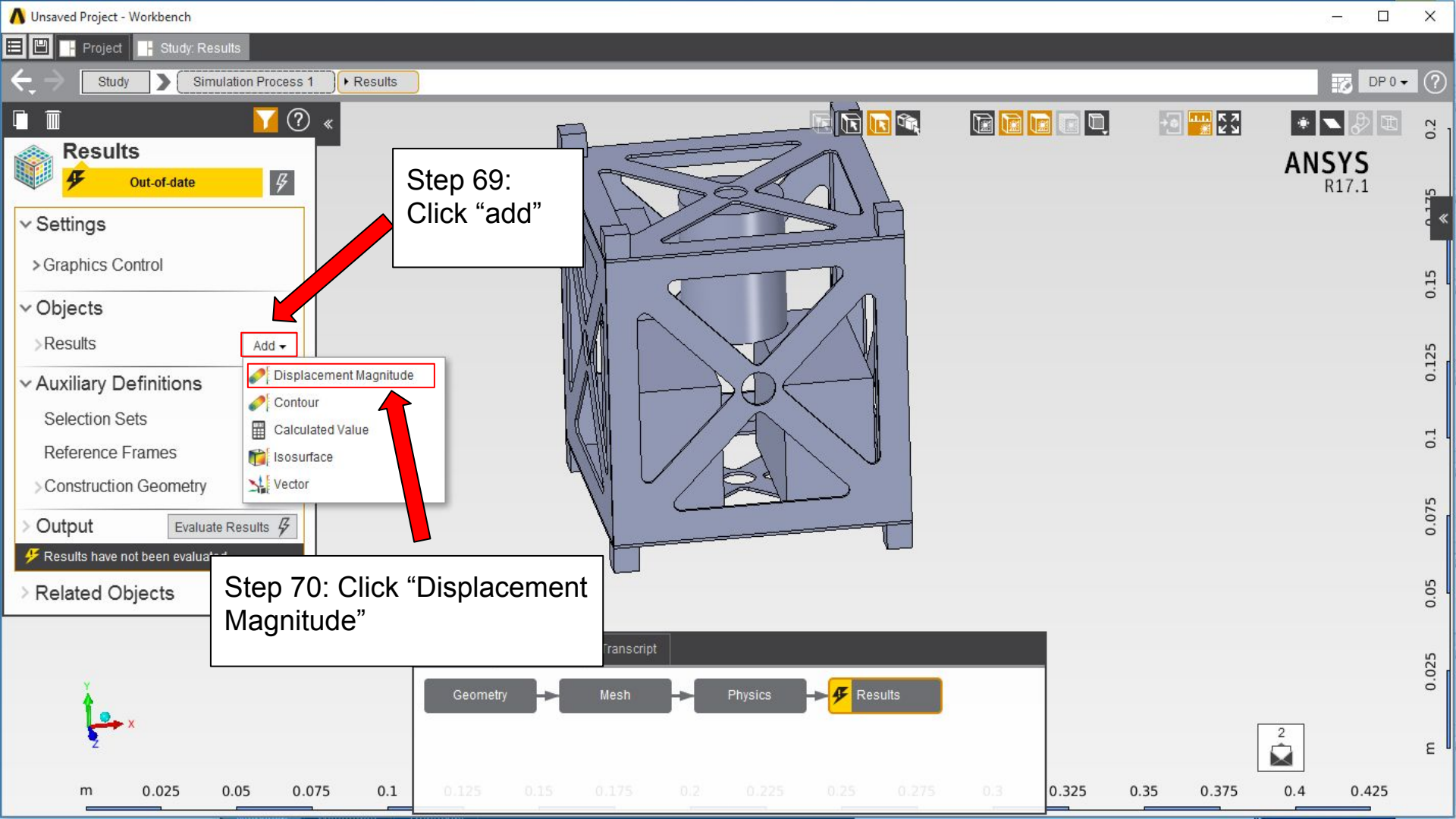
Step 68:
Click
"Results"

Workflow Messages Transcript


Geometry → Mesh → Physics → Results

Update
Delete
Duplicate

Step 67: Right Click
on Results , then
Click "Update"



Displacement Magnitude

Up-to-date 

▼ Definition

Location
f= 22 volumes

Variable
Displacement.mag

Mode
First Last

> Appearance

▼ Summary

Calculated minimum
0 m

Calculated maximum
4.2129 m

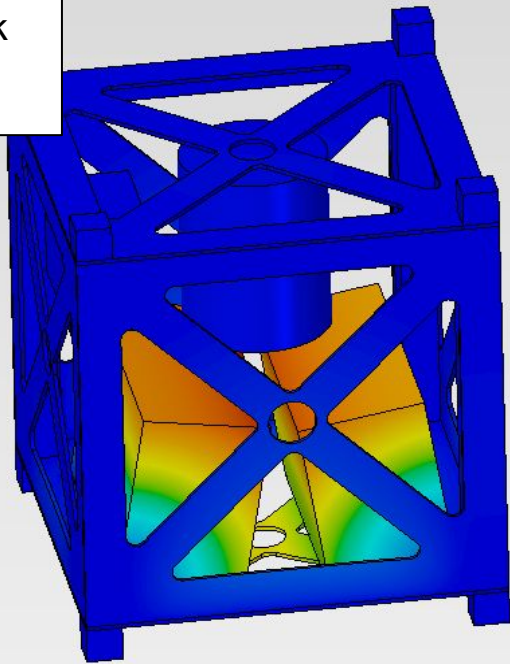
Calculated average
0.29391 m

> Global

Next Step

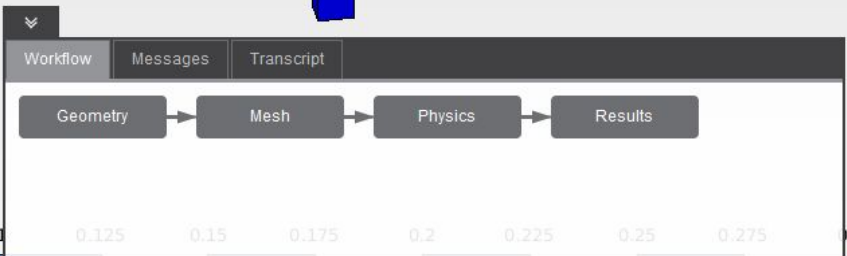
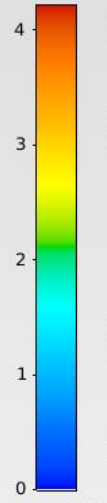
> Related Objects and Tasks

Step 71: Click the lightning bolt



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Displacement Magnitude



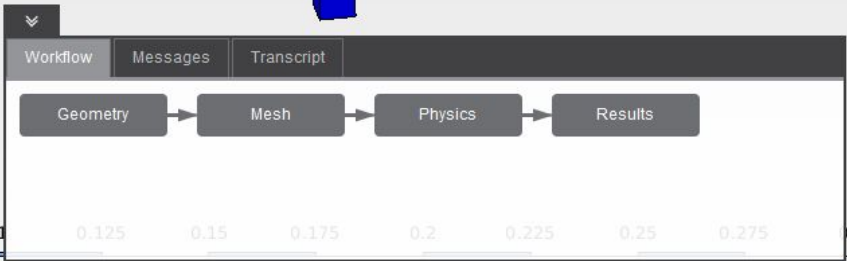
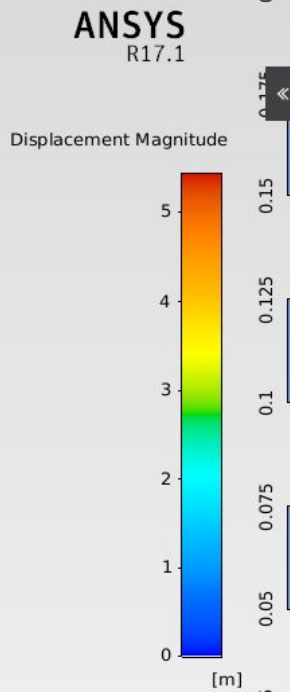
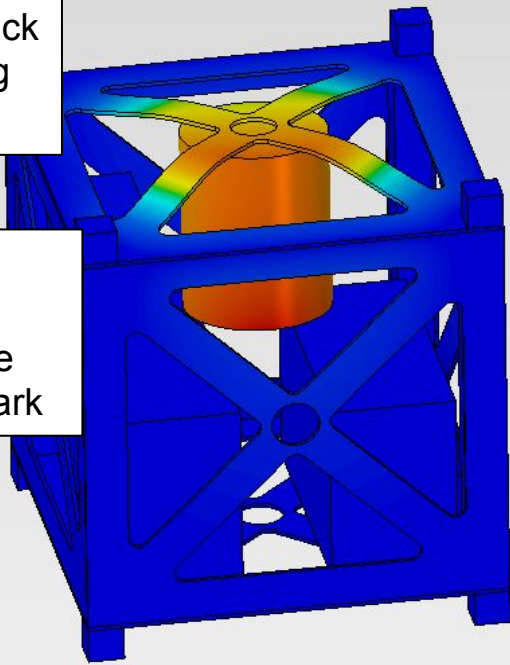
Displacement Magnitude
Up-to-date

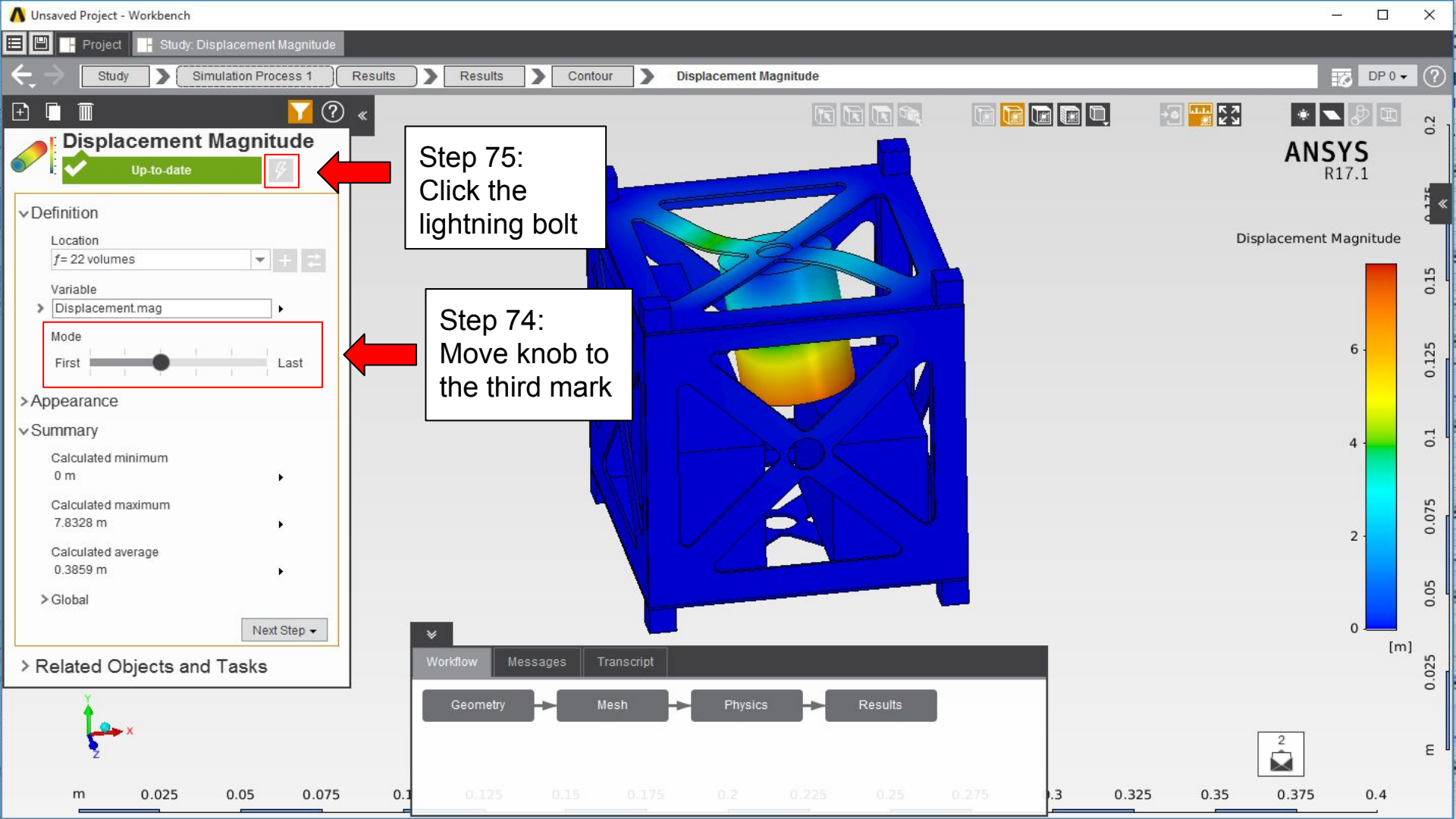
▼ Definition
Location
f= 22 volumes
Variable
Displacement.mag
Mode
First [knob] Last
> Appearance
▼ Summary
Calculated minimum
0 m
Calculated maximum
5.4357 m
Calculated average
0.41773 m
> Global
Next Step

> Related Objects and Tasks

Step 73: Click the lightning bolt

Step 72: Move the knob to the second mark






Step 75:
Click the
lightning bolt

Step 74:
Move knob to
the third mark


Displacement Magnitude

Up-to-date 

▼ Definition

Location
f= 22 volumes

Variable
Displacement.mag

Mode
First  Last

> Appearance

▼ Summary

Calculated minimum
0 m

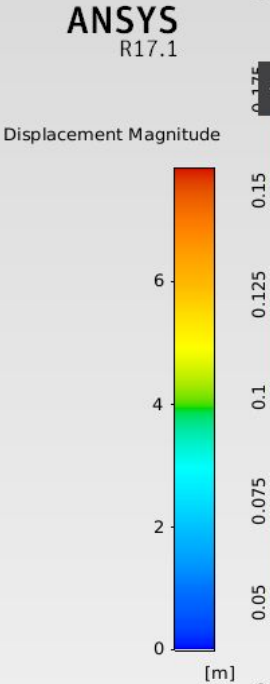
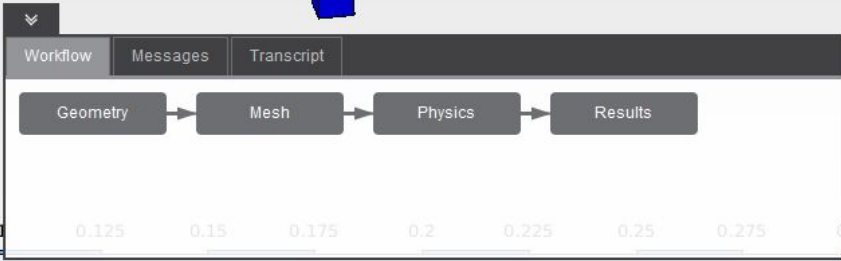
Calculated maximum
7.8328 m

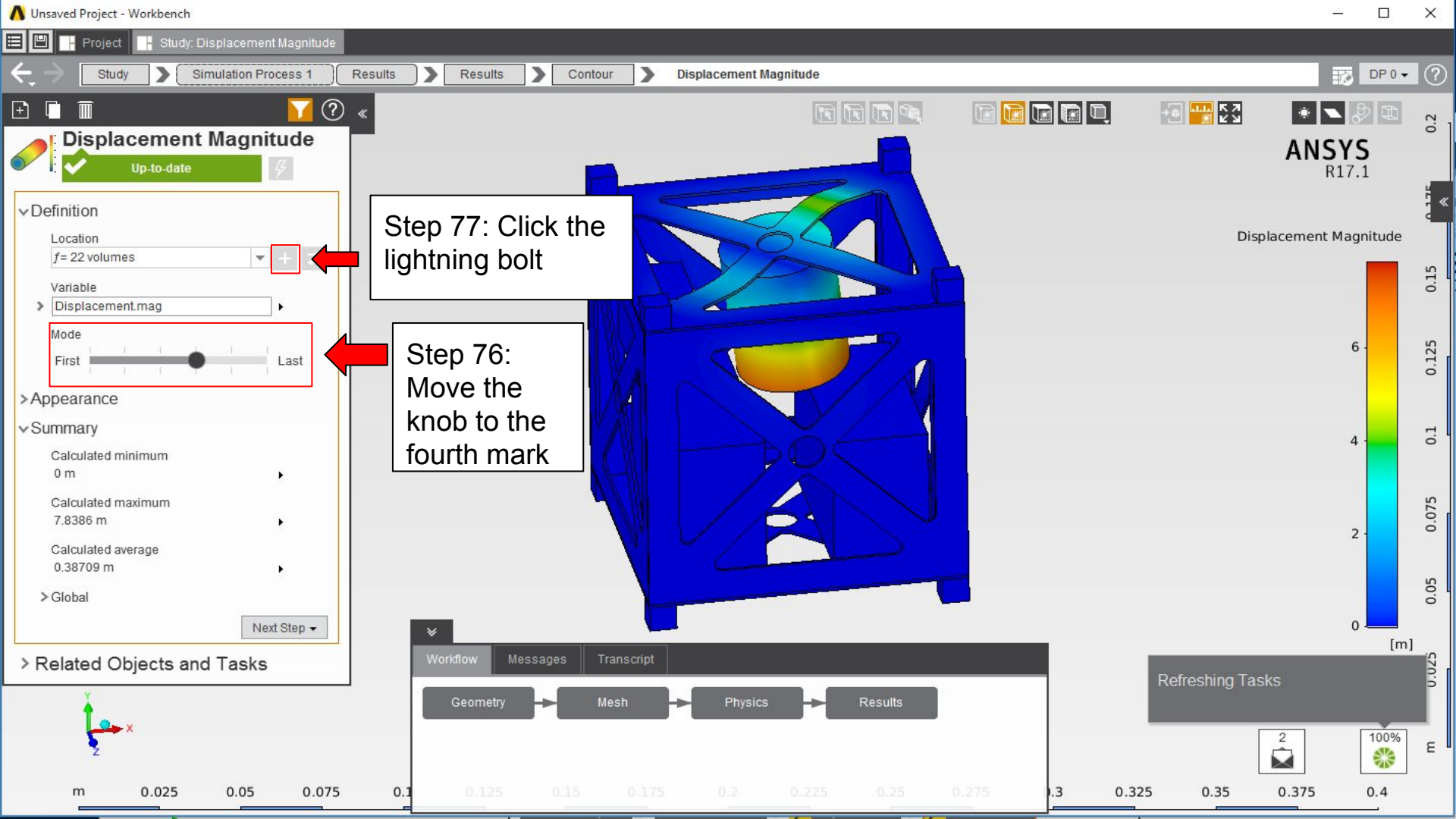
Calculated average
0.3859 m

> Global

Next Step ▼

> Related Objects and Tasks







Displacement Magnitude

Up-to-date

▼ Definition

Location
f= 22 volumes

Variable
Displacement.mag

Mode
First Last

> Appearance

▼ Summary

Calculated minimum
0 m

Calculated maximum
4.3016 m

Calculated average
0.29205 m

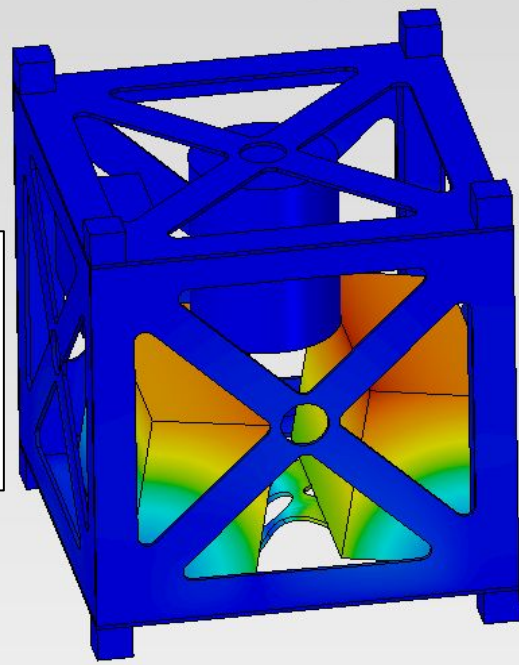
> Global

Next Step

> Related Objects and Tasks

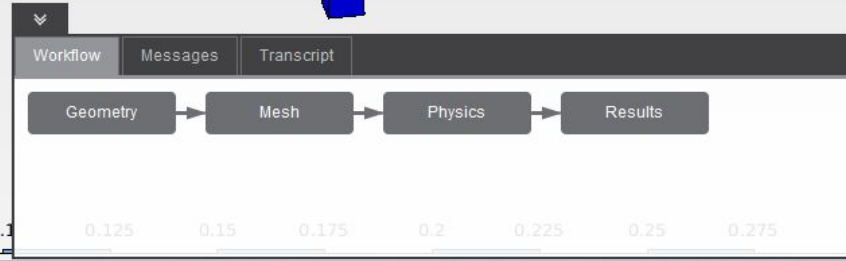
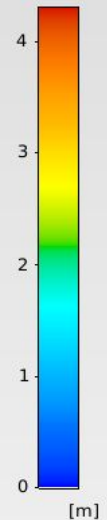
Step 79:
Click the
lightning
bolt

Step 78:
Move the
knob to
the fifth
mark



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Displacement Magnitude



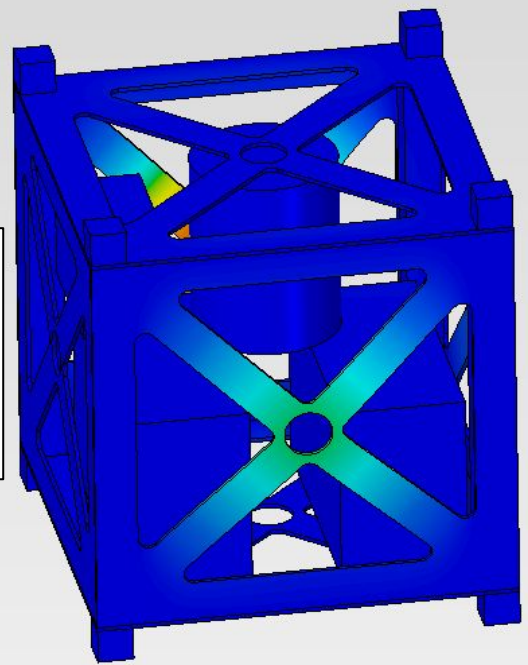
Displacement Magnitude
Up-to-date

▼ Definition
Location
f= 22 volumes
Variable
Displacement.mag
Mode
First Last
> Appearance
▼ Summary
Calculated minimum
0 m
Calculated maximum
21.845 m
Calculated average
0.060401 m
> Global
Next Step

> Related Objects and Tasks

Step 81:
Click the lightning bolt

Step 80:
Move the knob to the last mark



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Displacement Magnitude

