

Steps for the two-D solid-element model:

Model Development:

ansys -g -j 2Dsolid &

1. Set Preference:

Preferences - Structural = on - OK

2. Key Points:

Preprocessor - Modeling.Create - Keypoints - In Active CS

Keypoint number = 1, X,Y,Z = 0., -3., 0. -- > Apply

Keypoint number = 2, X,Y,Z = 0., 3., 0. -- > Apply

Keypoint number = 3, X,Y,Z = 24, 1.5, 0. -- > Apply

Keypoint number = 4, X,Y,Z = 24, -1.5, 0. -- > OK

3. Lines:

Preprocessor - Modeling.Create - Lines/lines - Straight line

Now left click points 1 and 2;

Then left click points 2 and 3;

Then left click points 3 and 4;

Then left click points 4 and 1;

-> Cancel

4. Surface:

Preprocessor - Modeling.Create - Areas/Arbitrary - By lines

Pick (by left click) the four lines

Apply - Cancel

5. . Define materials

Preprocessor - Material props – Material models – Structural

- Linear – Elastic – Isotropic

Young's modulus EX = 30e6

Poisson's ratio PRXY = 0.0

- Density

Density DENS = 0.2836

OK

Material - Exit

6. Select Mesh Type:

Preprocessor - Element Type - /Add/edit/Delete - Add

Select "Structral Solid" and "Quad 4node 42"

OK

Options - Element behavior = Plane strs w/thk - OK

Close

Preprocessor - Real Constants - /Add/edit/Delete - Add - OK

THK = 1.0 - OK - Close

7. Meshing:

Preprocessor - Meshing/size Cntrl - Lines/Picked lines

Pick two long lines - Apply - NDIV = 2 - OK

Preprocessor - Meshing/size Cntrl - Lines/Picked lines

Pick two short lines - Apply - NDIV = 1 - OK

Close "the size Cntrl window"

Preprocessor - Meshing/Mesh - Areas/Free

Pick the area - OK

8. Apply BCs and loads:

Solution -Loads/Apply - Displacement - On nodes

Pick the two nodes on the left

OK - Lab2 = All DOF & Value =0.0 - OK

Solution -Loads/Apply - Force/Moment - On nodes

Pick the two nodes in the middle

OK

Lab = FX, Value = 50 - OK

Solution -Loads/Apply - Gravity

ACELX= - 1.0, ACELY=0.0, ACELZ=0.0

OK

9. Solve:

Solution - Solve/Current LS - OK - Close - Close

10. See the solution:

General Postproc - List Results - Nodal Solution

OK

Node	Vx	Vy
1	0.	0.
2	0.	0.
3	0.98749e-5	0.
4	0.92396e-5	0.
5	0.98749e-5	0.
6	0.92396e-5	0.