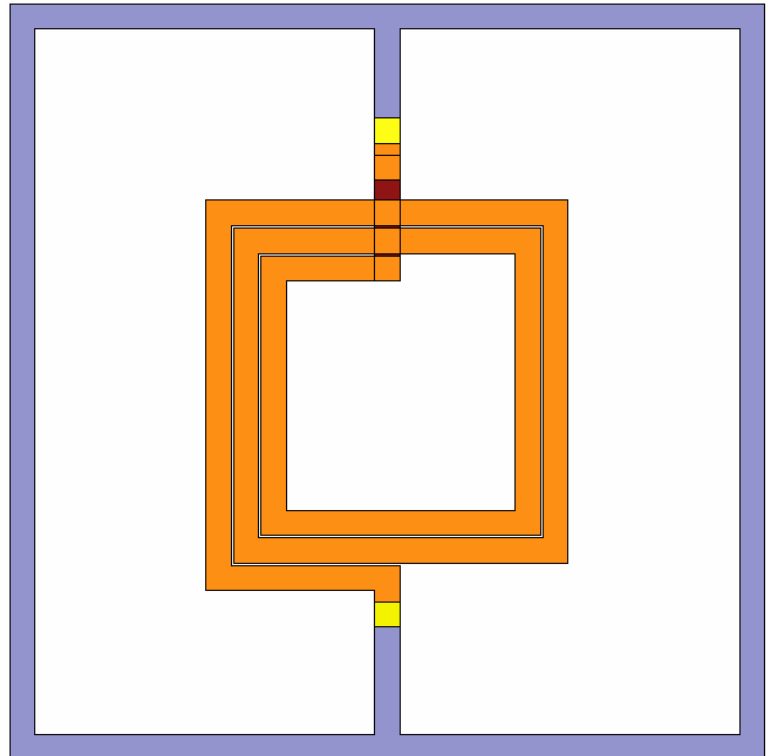
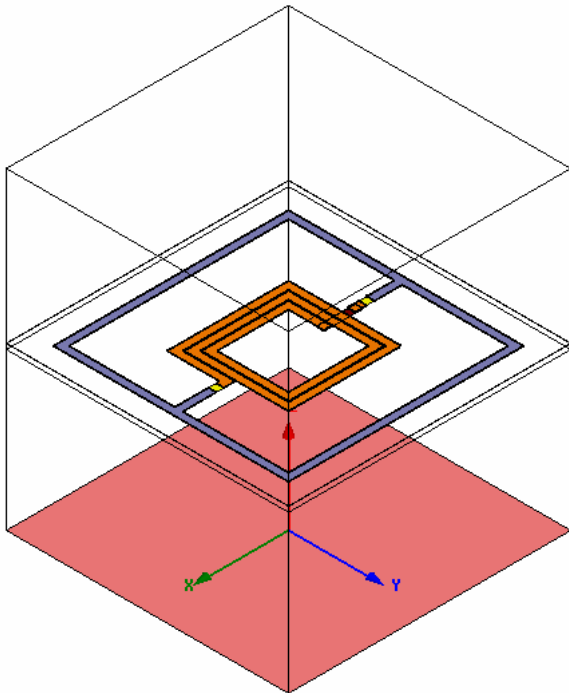


Example - Silicon Spiral Inductor

▲ The Silicon Spiral Inductor

- ▲ This example is intended to show you how to create, simulate, and analyze a 2.5 turn spiral inductor using the [Ansoft HFSS Design Environment](#).



Nominal Design:

Spiral: 2.5T, W=15 μ m, S=1.5 μ m, Rad=60 μ m

M6, 2 μ m, σ = 2.8e7 S/m

Underpass: M5, 0.5 μ m, σ = 2.8e7 S/m

Stackup:

Passivation: 0.7 μ m

ϵ_r = 7.9

Oxide: 9.8 μ m

ϵ_r = 4.0

Substrate: 300 μ m

ϵ_r = 11.9, σ = 10 S/m

Passivation

		M6
Oxide		M5

Substrate

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Getting Started

Launching Ansoft HFSS

1. To access Ansoft HFSS, click the Microsoft **Start** button, select **Programs**, and select the **Ansoft > HFSS 10** program group. Click **HFSS 10**.

Setting Tool Options


To set the tool options:

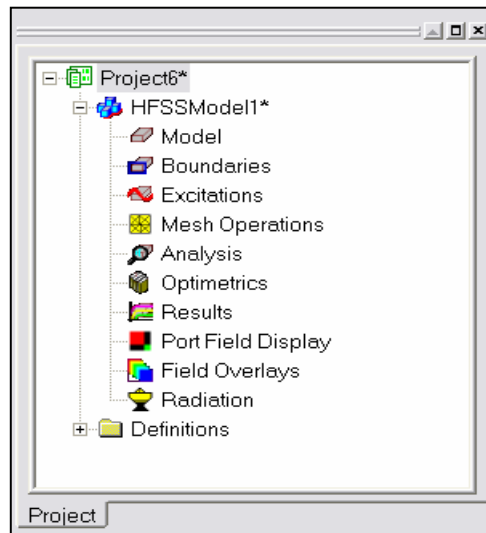
- ▲ **Note:** In order to follow the steps outlined in this example, verify that the following tool options are set :
 1. Select the menu item *Tools > Options > HFSS Options*
 2. HFSS Options Window:
 1. Click the **General** tab
 - ▲ Use Wizards for data entry when creating new boundaries: **Checked**
 - ▲ Duplicate boundaries with geometry: **Checked**
 2. Click the **OK** button
 3. Select the menu item *Tools > Options > 3D Modeler Options*.
 4. 3D Modeler Options Window:
 1. Click the **Operation** tab
 - ▲ Automatically cover closed polylines: **Checked**
 2. Click the **Drawing** tab
 - ▲ Edit property of new primitives: **Checked**
 3. Click the **OK** button

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Opening a New Project

To open a new project:

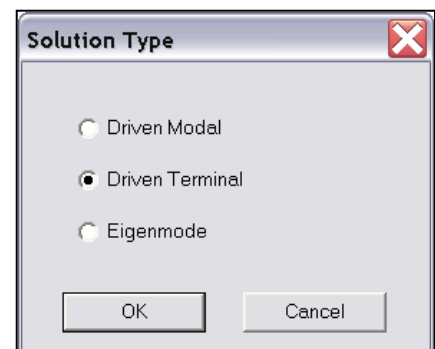
- ▲ In an Ansoft HFSS window, click the  On the Standard toolbar, or select the menu item *File > New*.
- ▲ From the *Project* menu, select *Insert HFSS Design*.



Set Solution Type

To set the solution type:

- ▲ Select the menu item *HFSS > Solution Type*
- ▲ Solution Type Window:
 - ▲ Choose **Driven Terminal**
 - ▲ Click the **OK** button



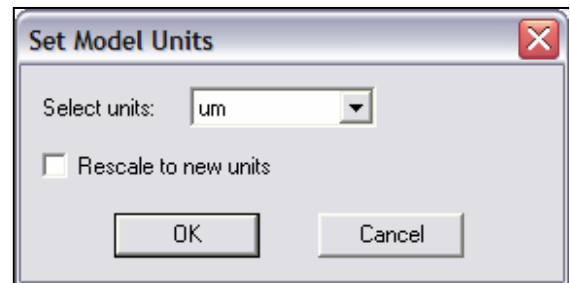
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Creating the 3D Model

Set Model Units

To set the units:

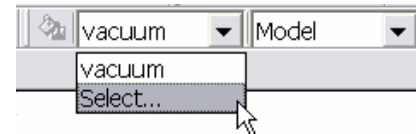
1. Select the menu item **3D Modeler > Units**
2. Set Model Units:
 1. Select Units: **um**
 2. Click the **OK** button



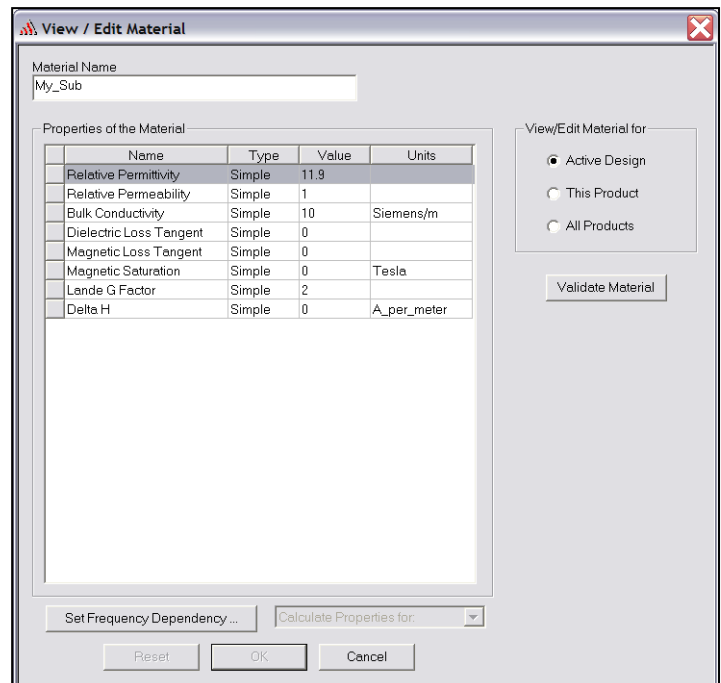
Set Default Material

To set the default material:

1. Using the 3D Modeler Materials toolbar, choose **Select**
2. Select Definition Window:



1. Click the **Add Material** button
2. View/Edit Material Window:
 1. For the **Material Name** type: **My_Sub**
 2. For the **Value** of **Relative Permittivity** type: **11.9**
 3. For the **Value** of **Bulk Conductivity** type: **10**
 4. Click the **OK** button
3. Click the **OK** button



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▲ Create Substrate

▲ To create the substrate:

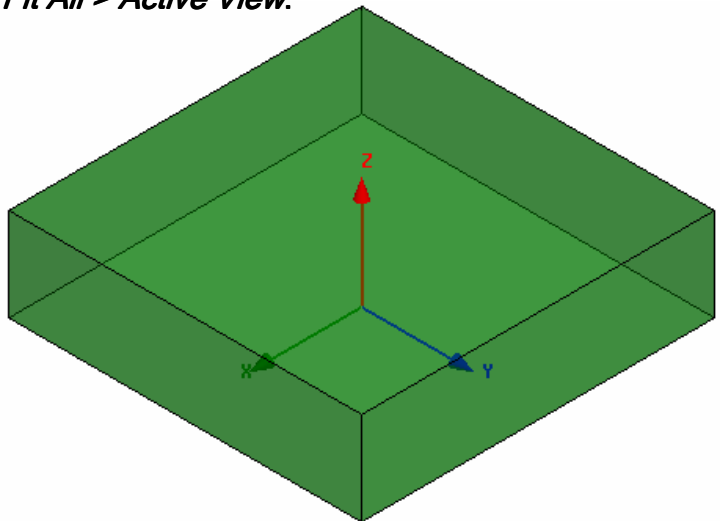
1. Select the menu item *Draw > Box*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-270.0**, Y: **-270.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **540.0**, dY: **540.0**, dZ: **300.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Sub**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View*.



▲ Set Default Material

▲ To set the default material:

1. Using the 3D Modeler Materials toolbar, choose **Select**
2. Select Definition Window:
 1. Click the **Add Material** button
 2. View/Edit Material Window:
 1. For the **Material Name** type: **My_Oxide**
 2. For the **Value** of **Relative Permittivity** type: **4.0**
 3. Click the **OK** button
 3. Click the **OK** button

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▲ Create Oxide

▲ To create substrate:

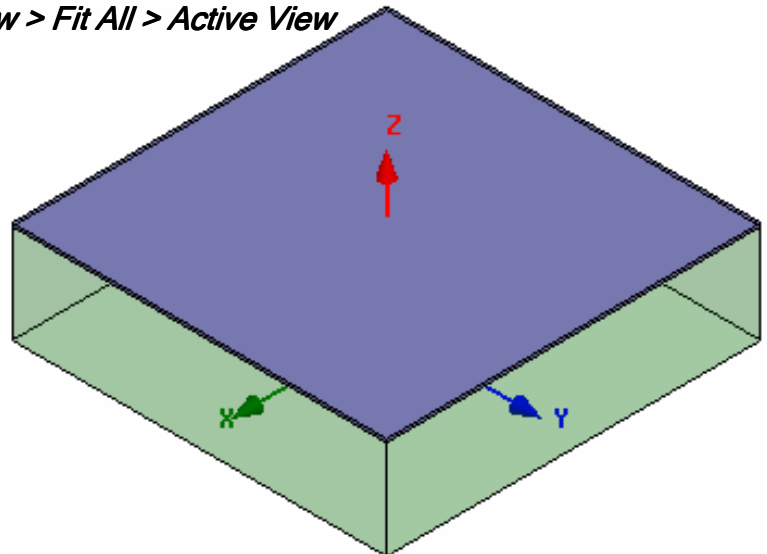
1. Select the menu item **Draw > Box**
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-270.0**, Y: **-270.0**, Z: **300.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **540.0**, dY: **540.0**, dZ: **9.8**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Oxide**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item **View > Fit All > Active View**



▲ Set Default Material

▲ To set the default material:

1. Using the 3D Modeler Materials toolbar, choose **Select**
2. Select Definition Window:
 1. Click the **Add Material** button
 2. View/Edit Material Window:
 1. For the **Material Name** type: **My_Pass**
 2. For the **Value** of **Relative Permittivity** type: **7.9**
 3. Click the **OK** button
 3. Click the **OK** button

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▲ Create Passivation

▲ To create substrate:

1. Select the menu item ***Draw > Box***
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-270.0**, Y: **-270.0**, Z: **309.8**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **540.0**, dY: **540.0**, dZ: **0.7**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Pass**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item ***View > Fit All > Active View***

▲ Set Default Material

▲ To set the default material:

1. Using the 3D Modeler Materials toolbar, choose **vacuum**

▲ Create Air

▲ To create air:

1. Select the menu item ***Draw > Box***
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-270.0**, Y: **-270.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **540.0**, dY: **540.0**, dZ: **600.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Air**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item ***View > Fit All > Active View***

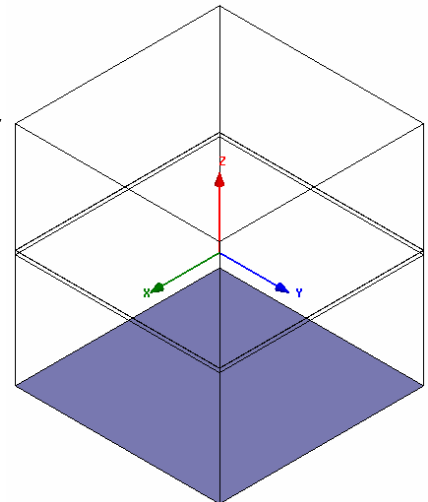
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▶ Create Radiation Boundary

- ▶ **To select the object Air:**
 - ▶ Select the menu item *Edit > Select > By Name*
 - ▶ Select Object Dialog,
 - ▶ Select the objects named: **Air**
 - ▶ Click the **OK** button
- ▶ **To create a radiation boundary**
 - ▶ Select the menu item *HFSS > Boundaries > Assign > Radiation*
 - ▶ Radiation Boundary Window
 - ▶ Name: **Rad1**
 - ▶ Click the **OK** button

▶ Create Ground

- ▶ **To create ground:**
 - ▶ Select the menu item *Draw > Rectangle*
 - ▶ Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▶ X: **-270.0**, Y: **-270.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the Enter key
 - ▶ Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the base rectangle:
 - ▶ dX: **540.0**, dY: **540.0**, dZ: **0.0**, Press the Enter key
- ▶ **To set the name:**
 - ▶ Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
 - ▶ For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Ground**
 - ▶ Click the **OK** button
- ▶ **To fit the view:**
 - ▶ Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View.*



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Assign a Perfect E boundary to the Ground

To select the ground:

1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select > By Name*
2. Select Object Dialog,
 1. Select the objects named: **Ground**
 2. Click the **OK** button

To assign the Perfect E boundary

1. Select the menu item *HFSS > Boundaries > Assign > Perfect E*
2. Perfect E Boundary window
 1. Name: **PerfE_Ground**
 2. Click the **OK** button

Hide Dielectrics

To hide the dielectrics:

1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select All Visible*
2. Select the menu item *View > Hide Selection > All Views*

Set Default Material

To set the default material:

1. Using the 3D Modeler Materials toolbar, choose **Select**
2. Select Definition Window:
 1. Click the **Add Material** button
 2. View/Edit Material Window:
 1. For the **Material Name** type: **My_Met**
 2. For the **Value of Bulk Conductivity** type: **2.8e7**
 3. Click the **OK** button
 3. Click the **OK** button

Create Offset Coordinate System

To create an offset Coordinate System:

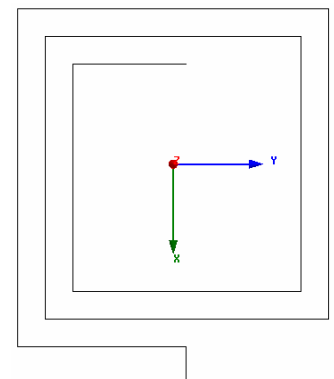
1. Select the menu item *3D Modeler > Coordinate System > Create > Relative CS > Offset*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the origin
 1. X: **0.0**, Y: **0.0**, Z: **304.8**, Press the **Enter** key

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▲ Create Spiral Path

▲ To create the path:

1. Select the menu item **Draw > Line**
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **-60.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **-60.0**, Y: **-60.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
4. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **76.5**, Y: **-60.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
5. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **76.5**, Y: **76.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
6. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **-76.5**, Y: **76.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
7. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **-76.5**, Y: **-76.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
8. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **93.0**, Y: **-76.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
9. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **93.0**, Y: **93.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
10. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **-93.0**, Y: **93.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
11. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **-93.0**, Y: **-93.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
12. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **109.5**, Y: **-93.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
13. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **109.5**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
14. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex point:
 - ▲ X: **131.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
15. Using the mouse, right-click and select **Done**
16. Click the **OK** button when the Properties dialog appears



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▲ Create the Spiral

▲ To set the grid plane:

1. Select the menu item *3D Modeler > Grid Plane > XZ*

▲ To create conductor profile:

1. Select the menu item *Draw > Rectangle*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-60.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the base rectangle:
 - ▲ dX: **-15.0**, dY: **0.0**, dZ: **2.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value of Name** type: **Spiral**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To Sweep the profile:

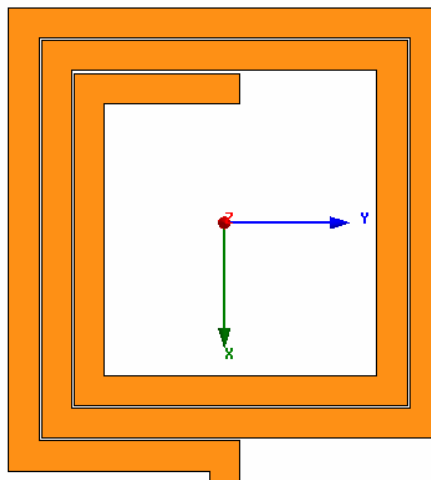
1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select > By Name*
2. Select Object Dialog,
 1. Select the objects named: **Polyline1**, **Spiral**
 2. Click the **OK** button

▲ **Note:** You can also select the object from the Model Tree

1. Select the menu item *Draw > Sweep > Along Path*
2. Click the **OK** button when the Sweep along path dialog appears

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View.*



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▲ Set Grid Plane

▲ To set the grid plane:

1. Select the menu item *3D Modeler > Grid Plane > XY*

▲ Create Underpass

▲ To create underpass:

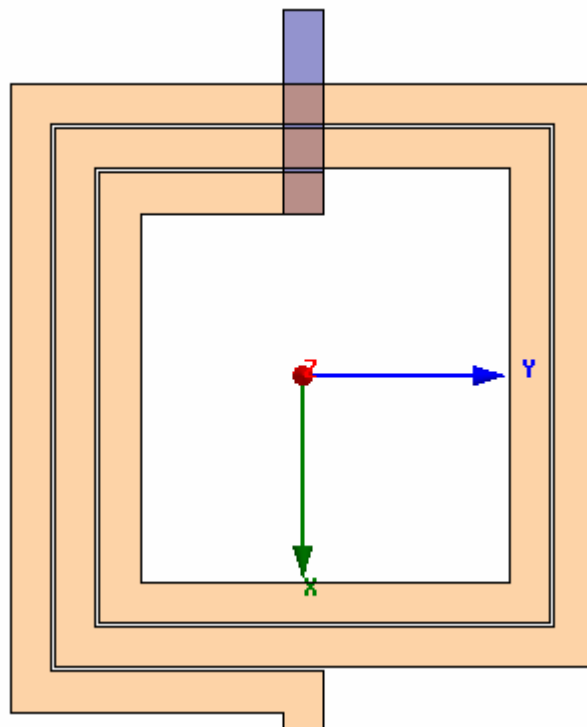
1. Select the menu item *Draw > Box*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: -60.0, Y: 7.5, Z: -0.8, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: -75.0, dY: -15.0, dZ: -0.5, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Underpass**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View*.



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▲ Create Via1

▲ To create via:

1. Select the menu item **Draw > Box**
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-60.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **-15.0**, dY: **-15.0**, dZ: **-0.8**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Via1**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item **View > Fit All > Active View**.

▲ Create Via2

▲ To create via:

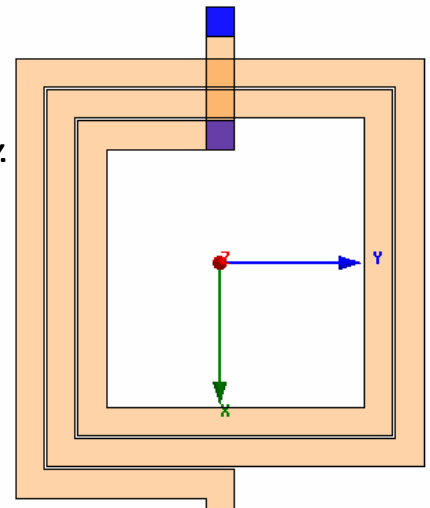
1. Select the menu item **Draw > Box**
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-120.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **-15.0**, dY: **-15.0**, dZ: **-0.8**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Via2**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item **View > Fit All > Active View**.



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▲ Create Feed

▲ To create feed:

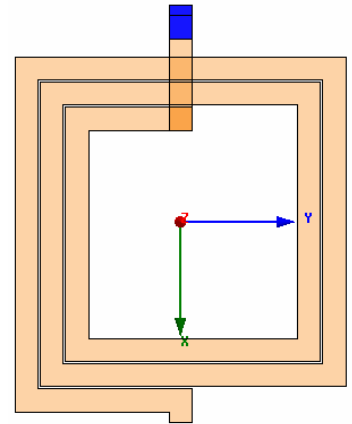
1. Select the menu item *Draw > Box*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-120.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **-22.0**, dY: **-15.0**, dZ: **2.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Feed**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View*.



▲ Solve Inside Conductors

▲ To solve inside:

1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select All Visible*
2. Select the menu item *Edit > Properties*
3. Properties Dialog Attribute Tab
 1. Solve Inside: **Checked**
 2. Click the **OK** button
- ▲ Click the **OK** button for all warning messages (Solving inside a solid with high conductivity may require a large mesh)

▲ Seed Mesh Conductors set for Solve Inside

▲ To solve inside:

1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select All Visible*
2. Select the menu item *HFSS > Mesh Operations > Assign > Inside Selection > Length Based*
3. Element Length Based Refinement Dialog
 1. Restrict Length of Elements: **Unchecked**
 2. Restrict Number of Elements: **Checked**
 3. Maximum Number of Elements: **5000**
 4. Click the **OK** button

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▲ Set Default Material

▲ To set the default material:

1. Using the 3D Modeler Materials toolbar, choose **Select**
2. Select Definition Window:
 1. Type **pec** in the **Search by Name** field
 2. Click the **OK** button

▲ Create Ground Ring

▲ To create outer ring:

1. Select the menu item **Draw > Box**
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-225.0**, Y: **-225.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **450.0**, dY: **450.0**, dZ: **2.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Ring**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item **View > Fit All > Active View**

▲ Create Inner Ring

▲ To create inner ring:

1. Select the menu item **Draw > Box**
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **-210.0**, Y: **-210.0**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **420.0**, dY: **420.0**, dZ: **2.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Inner**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item **View > Fit All > Active View**

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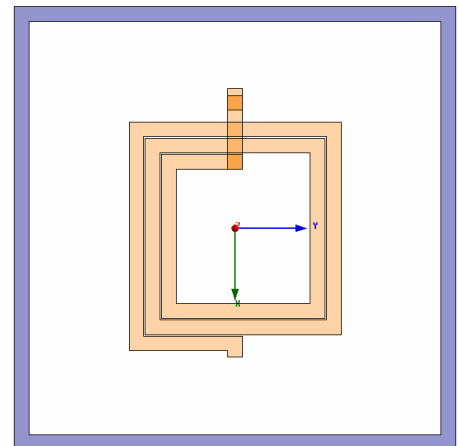
Complete the Ring

To select the objects Ring and Inner:

1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select > By Name*
2. Select Object Dialog,
 1. Select the objects named: **Ring, Inner**
 2. Click the **OK** button

To complete the ring:

1. Select the menu item *3D Modeler > Boolean > Subtract*
2. Subtract Window
 - Blank Parts: **Ring**
 - Tool Parts: **Inner**
 - Click the **OK** button



Create Extension 1

To create extension:

1. Select the menu item *Draw > Box*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - X: **-157.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - dX: **-53.0**, dY: **-15.0**, dZ: **2.0**, Press the **Enter** key

To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value of Name** type: **Ring_Ext1**
3. Click the **OK** button

To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View*

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▲ Create Extension 2

▲ To create extension:

1. Select the menu item **Draw > Box**
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **146.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the box:
 - ▲ dX: **64.0**, dY: **-15.0**, dZ: **2.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Ring_Ext2**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item **View > Fit All > Active View**

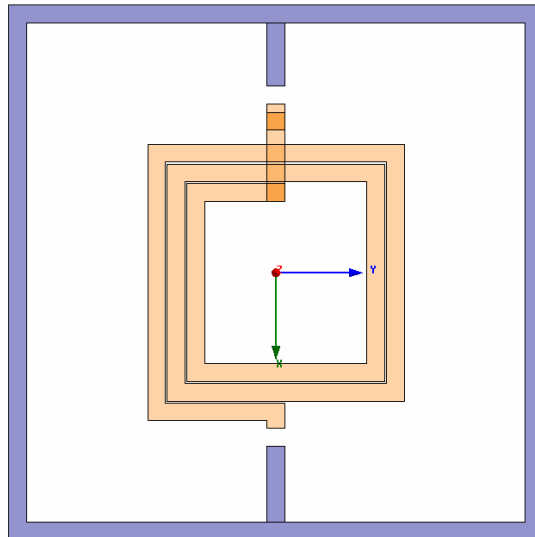
▲ Group the Conductors

▲ To group the conductors:

1. Select the menu item **Edit > Select > By Name**
2. Select Object Dialog,
 1. Select the objects named: **Ring, Ring_Ext1, Ring_Ext2**
 2. Click the **OK** button
3. Select the menu item, **3D Modeler > Boolean > Unite**

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item **View > Fit All > Active View.**



Example - Silicon Spiral Inductor

▲ Create Source 1

▲ To create source:

1. Select the menu item *Draw > Rectangle*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: -142.0, Y: 7.5, Z: 1.0, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the base rectangle:
 - ▲ dX: -15.0, dY: -15.0, dZ: 0.0, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Source1**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View*.

▲ Assign Excitation

▲ To select the object Source:

1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select > By Name*
2. Select Object Dialog,
 1. Select the objects named: **Source1**
 2. Click the **OK** button

▲ **Note:** You can also select the object from the Model Tree

▲ To assign lumped port excitation

1. Select the menu item *HFSS > Excitations > Assign > Lumped Port*
2. Lumped Port : General
 1. Name: **p1**,
 2. Resistance: **50**
 3. Reactance: **0**
 4. Click the **Next** button
3. Lumped Port : Terminals
 1. Number of Terminals: **1**,
 2. For **T1**, click the **Undefined** column and select **New Line**
 3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vector position
 - ▲ X: -157.0, Y: 0.0, Z: 1.0, Press the **Enter** key
 4. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex
 - ▲ dX: 15.0, dY: 0.0, dZ: 0.0, Press the **Enter** key
 5. Click the **Finish** button

Example - Silicon Spiral Inductor

▲ Create Source 2

▲ To create source:

1. Select the menu item *Draw > Rectangle*
2. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the box position
 - ▲ X: **131.0**, Y: **7.5**, Z: **1.0**, Press the **Enter** key
3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the opposite corner of the base rectangle:
 - ▲ dX: **15.0**, dY: **-15.0**, dZ: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key

▲ To set the name:

1. Select the **Attribute** tab from the **Properties** window.
2. For the **Value** of **Name** type: **Source2**
3. Click the **OK** button

▲ To fit the view:

1. Select the menu item *View > Fit All > Active View*.

▲ Assign Excitation

▲ To select the object Source:

1. Select the menu item *Edit > Select > By Name*
2. Select Object Dialog,
 1. Select the objects named: **Source2**
 2. Click the **OK** button

▲ **Note:** You can also select the object from the Model Tree

▲ To assign lumped port excitation

1. Select the menu item *HFSS > Excitations > Assign > Lumped Port*
2. Lumped Port : General
 1. Name: **p2**,
 2. Resistance: **50**
 3. Reactance: **0**
 4. Click the **Next** button
3. Lumped Port : Terminals
 1. Number of Terminals: **1**,
 2. For **T1**, click the **Undefined** column and select **New Line**
 3. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vector position
 - ▲ X: **146.0**, Y: **0.0**, Z: **1.0**, Press the **Enter** key
 4. Using the coordinate entry fields, enter the vertex
 - ▲ dX: **-15.0**, dY: **0.0**, dZ: **0.0**, Press the **Enter** key
 5. Click the **Finish** button

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▲ Show All

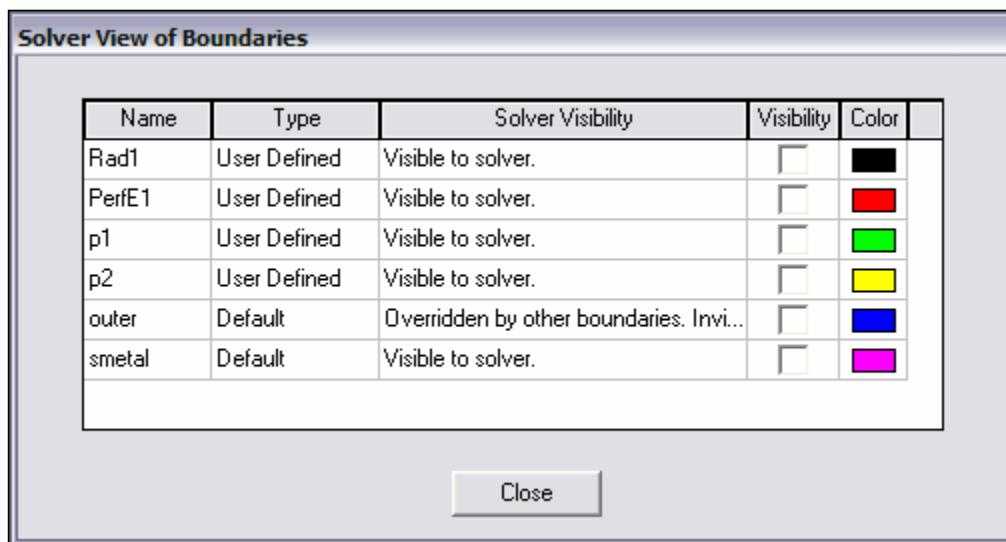
▲ To show all object

1. Select the menu item **View > Show All > All Views**

▲ Boundary Display

▲ To verify the boundary setup:

1. Select the menu item **HFSS > Boundary Display (Solver View)**
2. From the Solver View of Boundaries, toggle the Visibility check box for the boundaries you wish to display.
 - ▲ **Note:** The background (Perfect Conductor) is displayed as the **outer** boundary.
 - ▲ **Note:** The Perfect Conductors are displayed as the **smetal** boundary.
 - ▲ **Note:** Select the menu item, **View > Visibility** to hide all of the geometry objects. This makes it easier to see the boundary
3. Click the **Close** button when you are finished



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Analysis Setup

Creating an Analysis Setup

To create an analysis setup:

1. Select the menu item *HFSS > Analysis Setup > Add Solution Setup*
2. Solution Setup Window:
 1. Click the **General** tab:
 - Solution Frequency: **12.0GHz**
 - Maximum Number of Passes: **20**
 - Maximum Delta S: **0.02**
 2. Click the **Options** tab:
 - Do Lambda Refinement: **Checked**
 - Target: **0.05**
 - User Low-Order Solution Basis: **Checked**
 3. Click the **OK** button

Adding a Frequency Sweep

To add a frequency sweep:

1. Select the menu item *HFSS > Analysis Setup > Add Sweep*
 1. Select Solution Setup: **Setup1**
 2. Click the **OK** button
2. Edit Sweep Window:
 1. Sweep Type: **Interpolating**
 2. Click the **Setup Interpolation Basis** button
 - Max Solutions: **20**
 - Error Tolerance: **0.5%**
 - Click the **OK** button
 3. Frequency Setup Type: **Linear Step**
 - Start: **0.1GHz**
 - Stop: **20.0GHz**
 - Step: **0.1GHz**
 4. Click the **OK** button

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Save Project

To save the project:

1. In an Ansoft HFSS window, select the menu item **File > Save As**.
2. From the **Save As** window, type the Filename: **hfss_spiral_inductor**
3. Click the **Save** button

Analyze

Model Validation

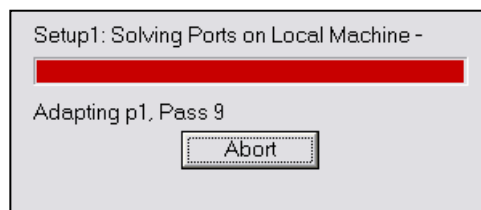
To validate the model:

1. Select the menu item **HFSS > Validation Check**
2. Click the **Close** button
 - ▲ **Note:** To view any errors or warning messages, use the Message Manager.

Analyze

To start the solution process:

1. Select the menu item **HFSS > Analyze All**



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▲ Solution Data

▲ To view the Solution Data:

1. Select the menu item **HFSS > Results > Solution Data**

▲ To view the Profile:

1. Click the **Profile** Tab.

▲ To view the Convergence:

1. Click the **Convergence** Tab

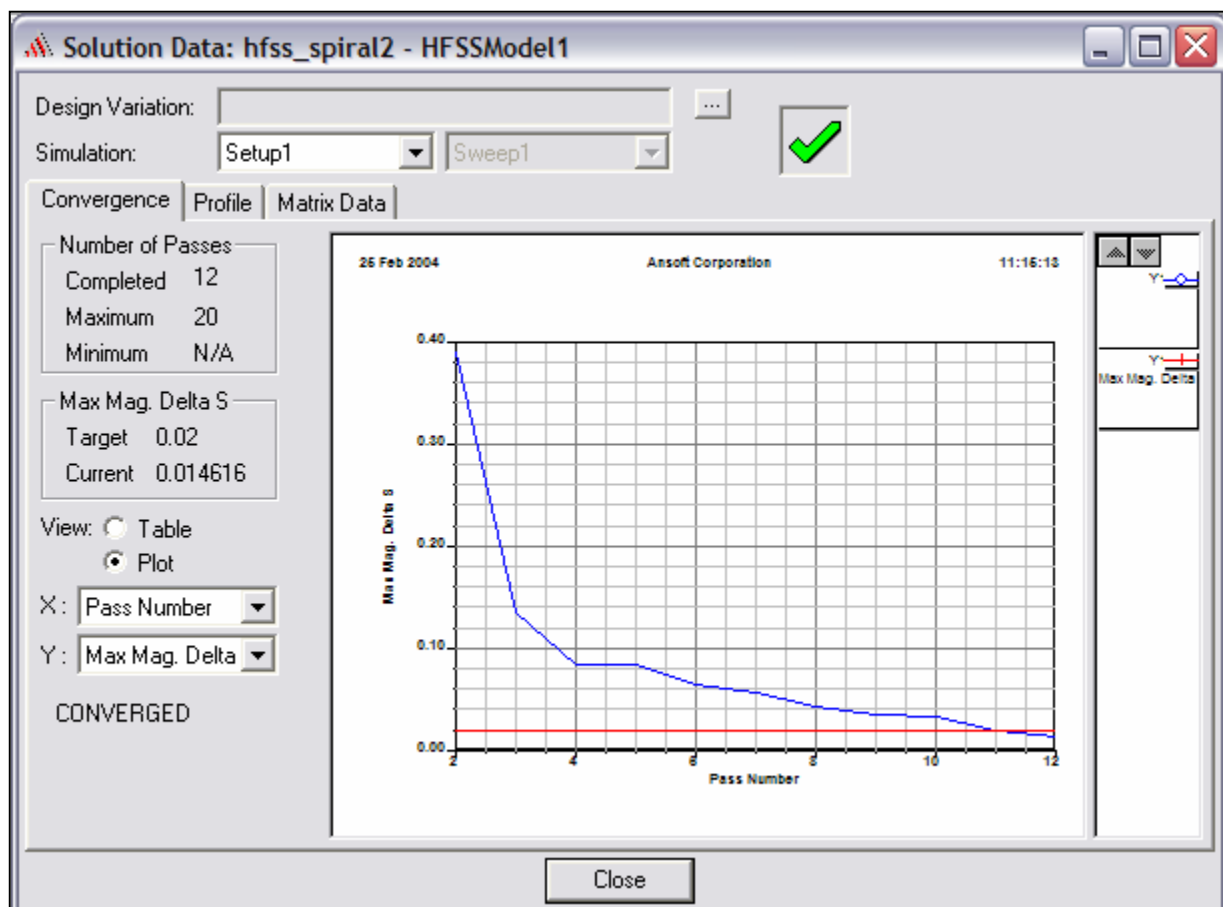
- ▲ **Note:** The default view is for convergence is **Table**. Select the **Plot** radio button to view a graphical representations of the convergence data.

▲ To view the Matrix Data:

1. Click the **Matrix Data** Tab

- ▲ **Note:** To view a real-time update of the Matrix Data, set the Simulation to **Setup1, Last Adaptive**

2. Click the **Close** button



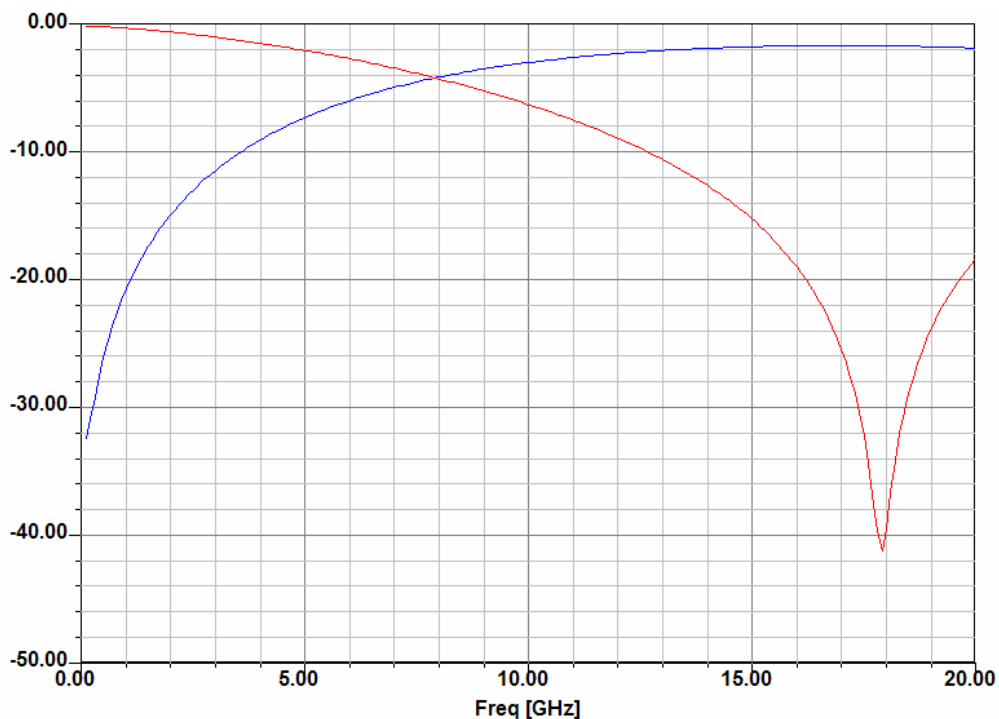
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▲ Create Reports

▲ Create S-parameter vs. Frequency

▲ To Create a report:

1. Select the menu item *HFSS > Results > Create Report*
2. Create Report Window:
 1. Report Type: **Terminal S Parameters**
 2. Display Type: **Rectangular**
 3. Click the **OK** button
3. Traces Window:
 1. Solution: **Setup1: Sweep1**
 2. Click the **Y** tab
 1. Domain: **Sweep**
 2. Category: **Terminal S-Parameters**
 3. Quantity: **St(p1,p1), St(p2,p1)**
 4. Function: **dB**
 5. Click the **Add Trace** button
 3. Click the **Done** button



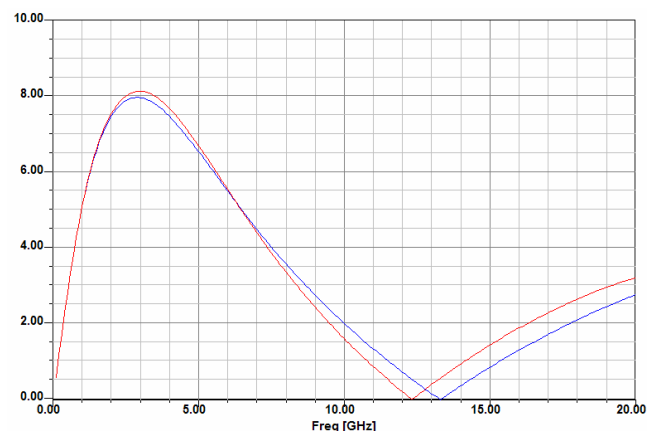
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▶ Create Reports (Continued)

▶ Custom Equations - Output Variables

1. Select the menu item **HFSS > Results > Create Report**
2. Create Report Window:
 1. Report Type: **Terminal S Parameters**
 2. Display Type: **Rectangular**
 3. Click the **OK** button
3. Traces Window:
 1. Click the **Output Variables** button
 2. Output Variables dialog:
 1. Name: **Q11**
 2. Expression:
 - ▶ Category: **Terminal Y Parameters**
 - ▶ Quantity: **Yt(p1,p1)**
 - ▶ Function: **im**
 - ▶ Click the **Insert Quantity into Expression** button
 - ▶ Type: **/**
 - ▶ Quantity: **Yt(p1,p1)**
 - ▶ Function: **re**
 - ▶ Click the **Insert Quantity into Expression** button
 3. Click the **Add** button
 4. Repeat for **Q22**, by replacing **Yt(p1,p1)** with **Yt(p2,p2)**
 5. Click the **Done** button
 3. Solution: **Setup1: Sweep1**
 4. Domain: **Sweep**
 5. Click the **Y** tab
 1. Category: **Output Variables**
 2. Quantity: **Q11, Q22**
 3. Function: **abs**
 4. Click the **Add Trace** button
 6. Click the **Done** button

$$Q_{nn} = \frac{\text{Im}(Y_{nn})}{\text{Re}(Y_{nn})}$$



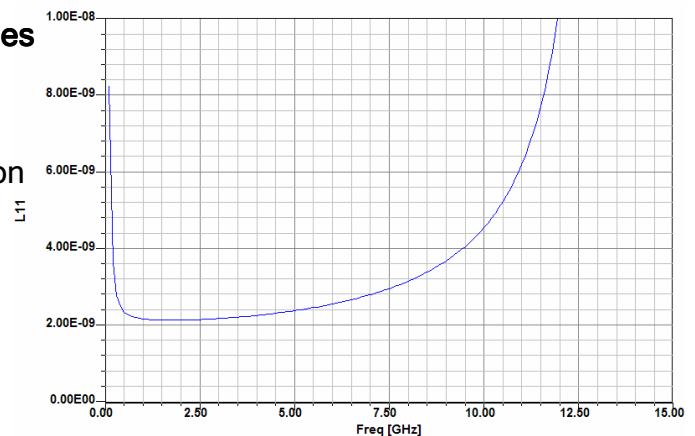
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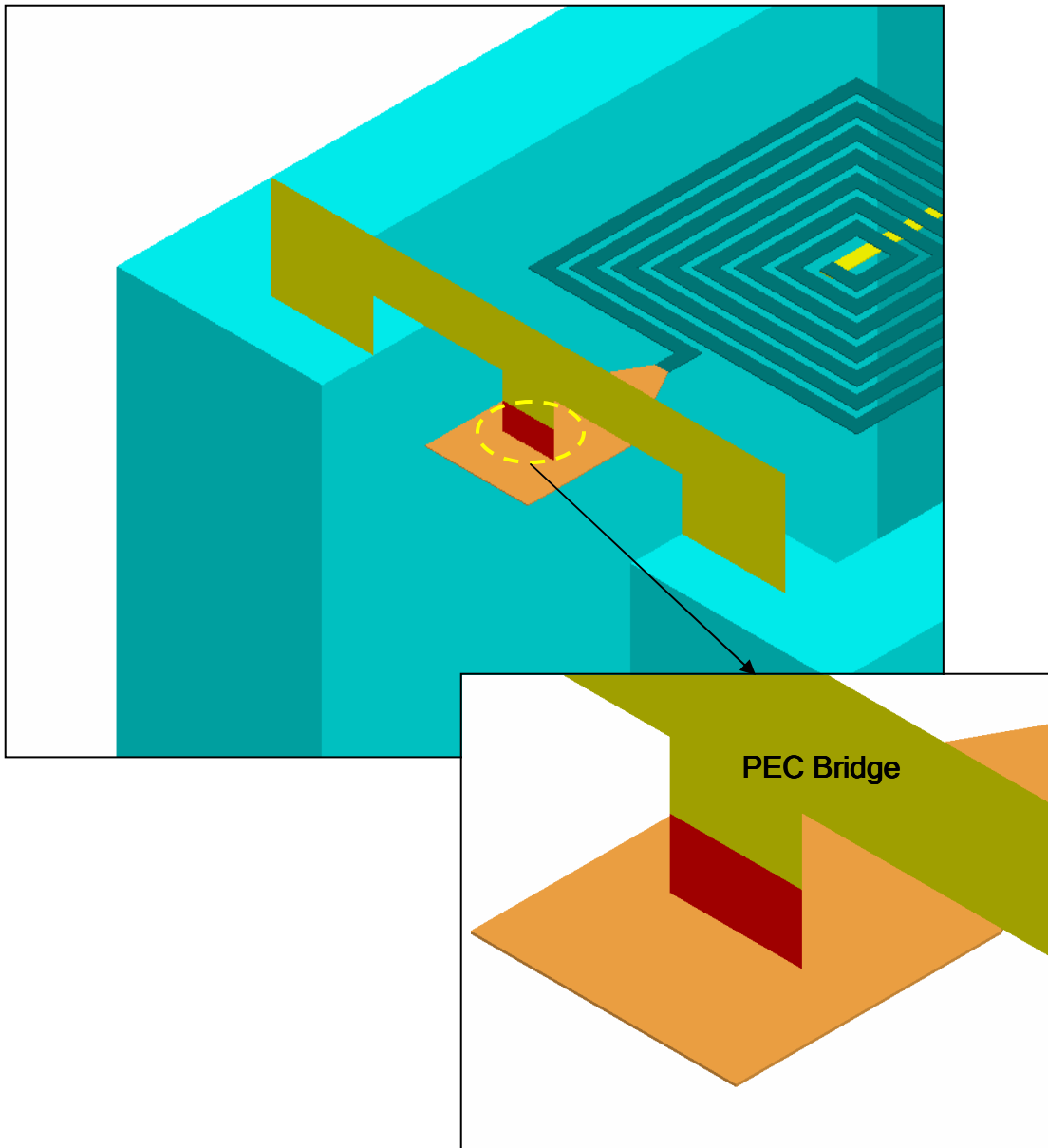
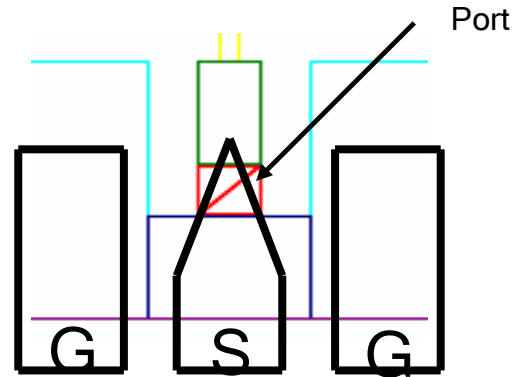
1. Select the menu item **HFSS > Results > Create Report**
2. Create Report Window:
 1. Report Type: **Terminal S Parameters**
 2. Display Type: **Rectangular**
 3. Click the **OK** button
3. Traces Window:
 1. Click the **Output Variables** button
 2. Output Variables dialog:
 1. Name: **L11**
 2. Expression:
 - ▶ Type: **-1/(2*pi*freq***
 - ▶ Category: **Terminal Y Parameters**
 - ▶ Quantity: **Yt(p1,p1)**
 - ▶ Function: **im**
 - ▶ Click the **Insert Quantity into Expression** button
 - ▶ Type: **)**
 3. Click the **Add** button
 4. Click the **Done** button
 3. Solution: **Setup1: Sweep1**
 4. Domain: **Sweep**
 5. Click the **Y** tab
 1. Category: **Output Variables**
 2. Quantity: **Y11**
 3. Function: **none**
 4. Click the **Add Trace** button
 6. Click the **Done** button

$$L_{nn} = \frac{-1}{2\pi \cdot f \cdot \text{im}(Y_{nn})}$$



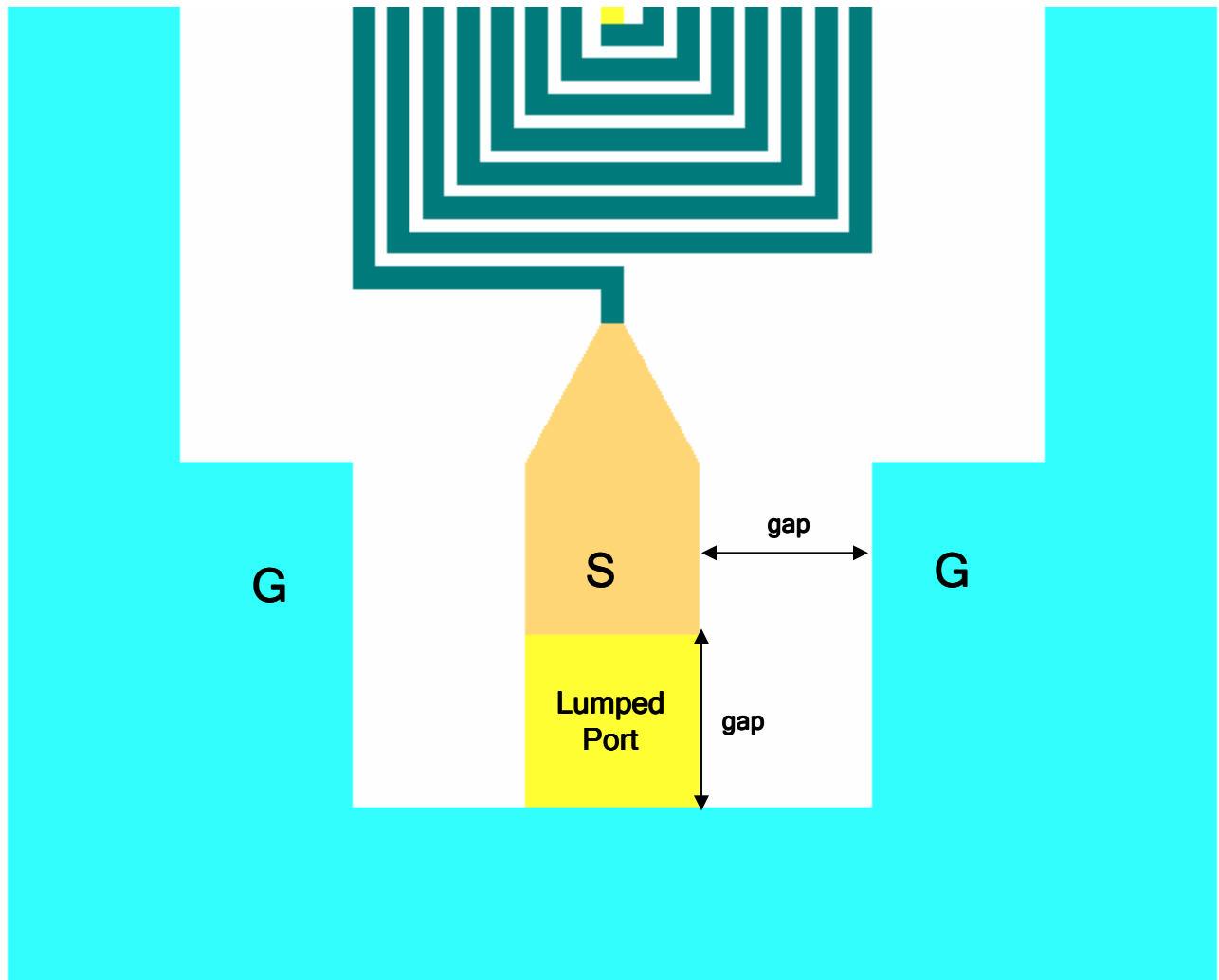
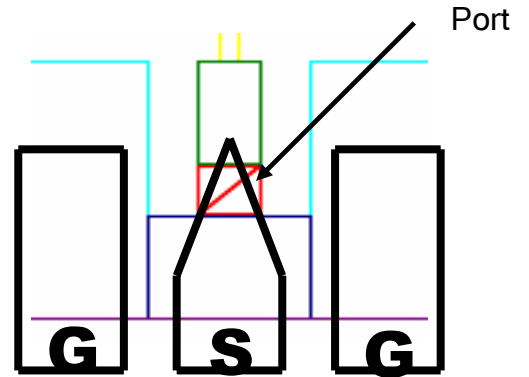
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Appendix - Alternative Lumped Ports



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