#### Simulations with ANSYS

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## ANSYS

- ANSYS is a finite element analysis package developed for engineering applications
- ANSYS recently acquired several companies and now owns some industry-leading codes (HFSS, ICEM CFD, CVFX, FLUENT)
- Has several types of analysis for different kinds of physics
- Can send results from one analysis to another
- Can couple some analyses together directly



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Not capable of introducing particles.				
Not meant for accelerator applications!				



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- Program issues (issues as of right now—I'll talk about the future)
  - Interface not very user friendly
  - Mesher takes a long time
- Requirements of accelerator community not likely to influence development of code



- ANSYS is switching from its arcane FORTRANbased system to new "Workbench" environment
- Much more user friendly, fast mesher
- Strong CAD model compatibility
- Built-in optimization algorithms
- Current WB 12.0 no HF simulations, but planned for 13.0 (January) or 14.0 (~1 year later)



#### Workbench Environment





- ERL HOM absorbing tiles had been found cracked and fallen off assembly
- Thought to be thermal expansion mismatch causing stresses when assembly was cooled





• Found small deflection in assembly when cooled



• large concentration of stress at edge of tile, near pivot point





• Came up with series of stress relieving cuts



• Cuts reduced maximum calculated stress by more than 80%





## **ANSYS** Example: ERL HOM Tile

• Simulations show negligible effect on heat transport







#### Summary

- ANSYS is useful for multiphysics studies
- Not good for particles (wakefields, multipacting)
- Good documentation, support, benchmarks; small \$ for universities, versatile
- Upcoming versions of ANSYS supposed to have user-friendly HF simulation capabilities