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## **ABSTRACT**

In the petroleum industry, drilling is one of the most important aspects due to economic reason. Reduction in drilling time is required to minimize the cost of operations. This study focused on dynamics study of Polycrystalline Diamond Compact (PDC) drill bit profile and drilling fluid study on affecting the rate of penetration (ROP) and tool wear for single formation. ROP is defined as the speed at which the drill bit penetrates the formation or breaks the rock under it to increase the depth of borehole. The well drilling cost can be lowered when drill bit performing high rate of penetration hence the time of drilling reduced. Drilling fluid also needs to be considered in order to achieve maximum rate of penetration. From time to time, drilling-fluid systems are designed and modified to perform efficiently under those particular conditions due to differences in wellbore conditions. The objective of this project is to investigate the types of bit design features to study the effect of design improvement on the rate of penetration (ROP) and tool wear. The computer software, ANSYS Autodyn/Explicit Dynamics being used in the project to observe the impact of bit profile in presence of drilling fluid to the rate of penetration (ROP) and the tool wear being used. The result shows the comparison of the ROP based on varies back rack angle and type of formation which is sandstone and dolomite. The resulted graph from the simulation being used for analysis to show the comparison between the ROP between parameter used. The simulation also included the significant of different side rack angle but the result of the simulation almost the same between all side rack angles to penetrate the formation.

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## **Abbreviations and Nomenclatures**

<i>3D</i>	<i>Three Dimensional</i>
<i>FYP</i>	<i>Final Year Project</i>
<i>PDC</i>	<i>Polycrystalline Diamond Compact</i>
<i>ROP</i>	<i>Rate of Penetration</i>
<i>UTP</i>	<i>Universiti Teknologi Petronas</i>
<i>WOB</i>	<i>Weight on Bit</i>

# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background of Study

Drilling process is one of the major parts in Exploration and Production in oil and gas industry. The only way to confirm the presence of hydrocarbon is to drill exploratory boreholes once a promising geological structure has been identified. Drilling optimization is very important during drilling operation and plays big roles for oil and gas exploration phase to allow the oil industry worldwide to economically and successfully utilize oil and gas field that may have not been possible before (Che, Han, Guo, & Ehmann, 2012). This is because drilling optimization could save time and cost of operation thus increases the profit. However, due to unexpected circumstances such as failure of drilling tool can cause loss to the company. Drilling activities has to stop in order to fix the failure consequently affect the drilling operation time and cost. In addition, the rate of penetration can be considered as one of the primary factors which affect drilling cost. There are several factors affect rate of penetration (ROP) but the author will focus on study on dynamics of bit and effect of drilling fluids on the tool wear and ROP.

Drill bit selection is vital during drilling phase because the drilling engineers need to select the best bit to drill certain formation in down hole (Guo & Hou, 2011). There are many types of drill bit used to drill whether in soft, medium or hard formation. One of the challenges faced is when drilling a multi-layer formation. Multilayer formation is defined as a formation interbedded with another types of formation and become more complex when soft formation interbedded with hard stringers.

Another way to effectively maximize drilling efficiency is utilization of drilling fluid. In early days of rotary drilling, the primary function of drilling fluid was to bring cuttings from the bottom of down hole to surface. However nowadays, the drilling fluid have been modified to have different functional to work in drilling industry such as to increase the rate of penetration (ROP) while drilling.

## **1.2 Problem Statement**

Failure of selecting the best drill bit can lead to low of penetration rate and consequently affect the drilling performance and cost (Guo & Hou, 2011).. Drill bit selection is complicated process but with proper selection from all engineering aspect can achieve maximum drilling efficiency. Polycrystalline diamond compact (PDC) bits is widely used in current drilling industry and proven to be effective in hard and abrasive formation (Nygaard and Hareland, 2007). Due to different background of formation while drilling might cause problems in drilling. However, case studies show that properly selection of designs and features of PDC bits have been modified to approach complex formation effectively while drilling.

Based on previous project that have been done, the dynamics analysis was done without considering the effect of drilling fluid. By adding mud into this system, ROP and the tool wear of PDC bit will be different, and more real to actual values, as the actual drilling process in real times. As the condition in wellbore while drilling cannot be observed appropriately, a simulation is required to give more real effect on investigating the effect of drill bit and drilling fluids on dynamics analysis.

### **1.3 Objective**

The objectives of this project are:

- To model and simulate PDC Bit for different formation
- To investigate the effect of parameters on dynamics analysis

### **1.4 Scope of Study**

The scopes of study based on the objectives can be simplified as follows:

- Drilling parameters such as tool wear and ROP of several PDC bits.
- Efficiency of selected PDC bits features on drilling in single layer formations.
- Rheological studies on mud fluid and its interaction with PDC bit and drill cuttings.
- Simulation software (ANSYS Explicit Dynamic & Autodyn)

## **1.5 The Relevancy of the Project**

The present project is relevant especially to *Y-UTP* team. This *Y-UTP* team is currently working on a project entitled “Bit Wear and Vibration Study to Aid Drilling Optimization”. The author’s effort on completing this project might help *Y-UTP* team to achieve certain limit.

The undertaking is additionally significant to the author since it’s includes an exceptionally extensive study on hypothesis and the application. The theory and calculations used comprises of general mechanical knowledge which can be applied in the oil and gas industry.

## **1.6 Feasibility of the Project within the Scope and Time Frame**

The project is within the capability of a final year student to be executed with the help and guidance from the supervisor and the previous FYP student under *Y-UTP* team. Drilling Engineering course is one of the compulsory subjects for a Petroleum Engineering student. Therefore, the author has the knowledge that can be useful for this project. The time frame is also feasible and the project can be completed within the time allocated.

## CHAPTER 2

### LITERATURE REVIEW

#### 2.1 PDC Drill Bit

Polycrystalline diamond compact (PDC) bits become favorites in drilling industry because diamond is the hardest element of material and their superior hardness gives it great property in terms of cutting any other materials. Based on PDC cutter were introduced in 1973 has eased in the advancement of the first drill bit that used synthetic diamonds as cutting components (Che, Han, Guo, & Ehmann, 2012). PDC bits are effective at drilling shale formations, especially when used in combination with oil-based mud. During last decade PDC drill bit performance has been enhanced by advancement in PDC wear, impact resistance and better vibrations understanding. A diamond bit (FIGURE 1) is used in very hard rocks that require a long period time to grind the rock away. Diamond bits have industrial diamond implanted in them to drill extremely hard surfaces and designed and manufactured for a particular job rather than being mass produced as roller cone bits are.

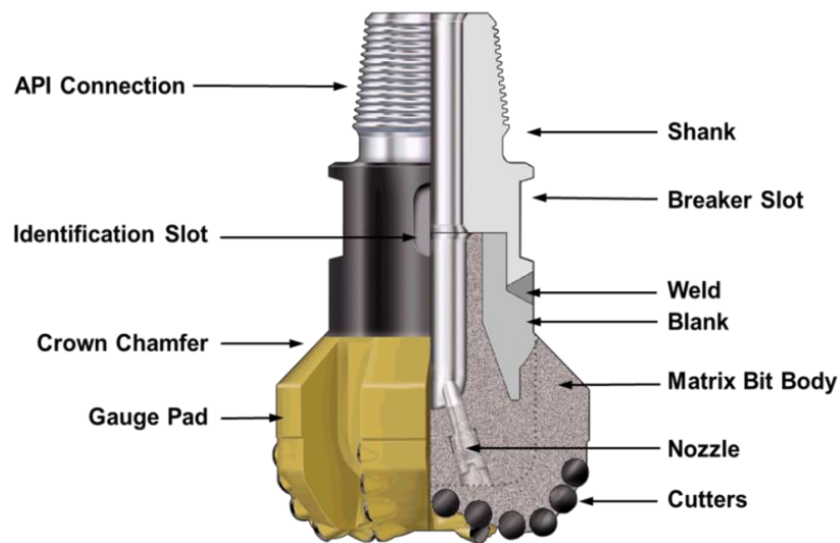


*Figure 1 Several types of PDC bits that is available. (Petrowiki)*

The PDC Bits perform best in soft, firm and medium-hard non-abrasive formation and as good result of these bits has been accomplished in sandstone, siltstone and shale although bit bailing is serious problem in soft formations. (Bourgoyne et.al ,1986). Currently, large-diameter PDC cutter providing increased exposure and shaped cutter featuring a higher point loading per cutter are some of the technological advancement being tested (Kerr, 1988).

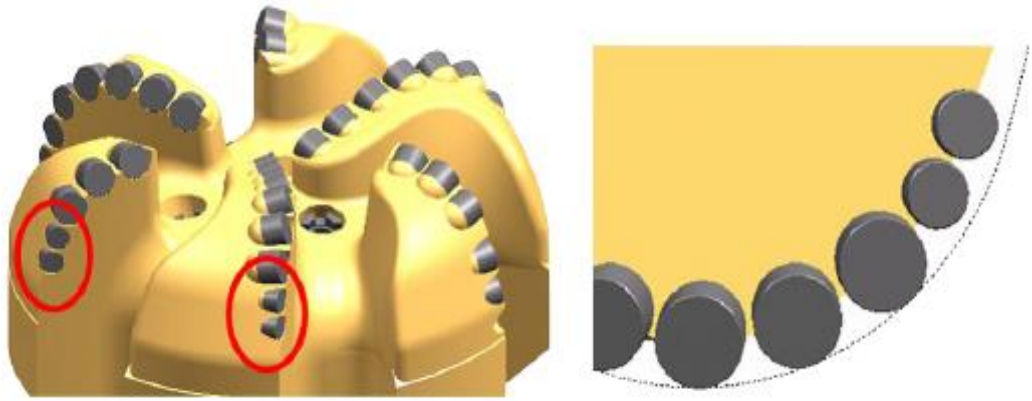
## 2.2 Design Features

One of the factors affecting the rate of penetration (ROP) is the drill bit design features. For optimum drilling performance, drill bit designer make some adjustment to the bit features. There are three main design features affecting PDC bit performance which is number of cutter, back rack angle and side rack angle according to journal entitled “PDC Drill Bit Design and Field Application Evolution” by Kerr, C.J, 1998.



*Figure 2 Component of PDC drill bits (Source from Petrowiki)*

According to Taylor et al., the structure of a diamond drill bit can be separated into three main parts. They are cutting structure, shank and crown which is the bit body. Cutter orientation is defined in terms of back rake angle, side rake angle and cutter exposure. Cutter orientation must be appropriately coordinated to the hardness of the development being penetrated.



*Figure 3 Cutter on PDC Bit (Source from Petrowiki)*

PDC cutters can be set based on two rakes angle which is back rake angle and side rake angle which both of these rakes influence the PDC drill bit performance. Side rake angle is utilized to direct the formation cutting towards the flank of the bit and into annulus. Meanwhile, back rake angle is determined the size of cutting being produced.



## **2.5 Drilling Fluid**

Drilling fluid is used in optimization drilling to raise the cuttings made by the bit but in other aspect; it provides a means of keeping underground pressure in check and increase the rate of penetration (ROP) as well as the wear rate of the bit. The heavier or denser the mud, the more pressure it exerts to down hole while drilling operation. Drilling fluid is a mixture of water, weighing material, clay and other few chemical to make it exert as much as pressure needed to contain formation pressure. The ROP also can be increased by decreasing the mud weight. The major function of drilling fluids are to carry cuttings from the hole and permit their separation at the surface, cool and clean the bit, reduce friction between the drill pipe and wellbore or casing, maintain the stability of the wellbore and prevent the inflow of fluids from the wellbore (Chilingarian and Vorabutr, 1983).

Because of contrasts in wellbore conditions, drilling-fluid systems are outlined and defined to perform proficiently under those specific conditions. Drilling-fluid additionally can ensure the tool wear while drilling as the heat created by friction of the bit and hard for this high temperature to be directed away by the formation. The high temperature transmitted to the drilling-fluid from the wellbore to the surface and thusly expanded bit life, decreased pump and diminished torque.

## **2.6 Finite Element Analysis (Explicit Dynamics)**

Finite Element Analysis (FEA) is a computer model of a design or material that is investigated to get specific output. Modifying an existing product or structure is utilized to improve or qualify the product for a new service condition. FEA help analyst to predict failure due to unknown stresses by showing problem areas on an object and giving chances for designers to see all of the theoretical stresses within. (Szabo B.,1991). This method can help to reduce manufacturing costs and time rather than making and testing the real component. Explicit Dynamics is one of the features in Finite Element Analysis. The ANSYS explicit dynamics product suite helps user to gain insight into the physics of short-duration events for products that undergo highly nonlinear, transient dynamic events. These specialized, accurate and easy-to-use tools have been designed to maximize productivity. With the ANSYS explicit dynamics products, user can study how a structure responds when subjected to severe loadings.

## **2.5 ANSYS Autodyn**

ANSYS Autodyn software is a versatile explicit analysis tool for modeling the nonlinear dynamics of solids, fluids, gases and their interactions. The product has been developed to provide advanced capabilities within a robust, easy-to-use software tool. Simulation projects can be completed with significantly less effort, less time and lower labor costs than with other explicit programs. This high productivity is a result of the easy-to-use, quick-to-learn, intuitive, interactive graphical interface implemented. Time and effort are saved in problem setup and analysis by automatic options to define contact, by coupling interfaces and by minimizing input requirements using safe logical defaults.

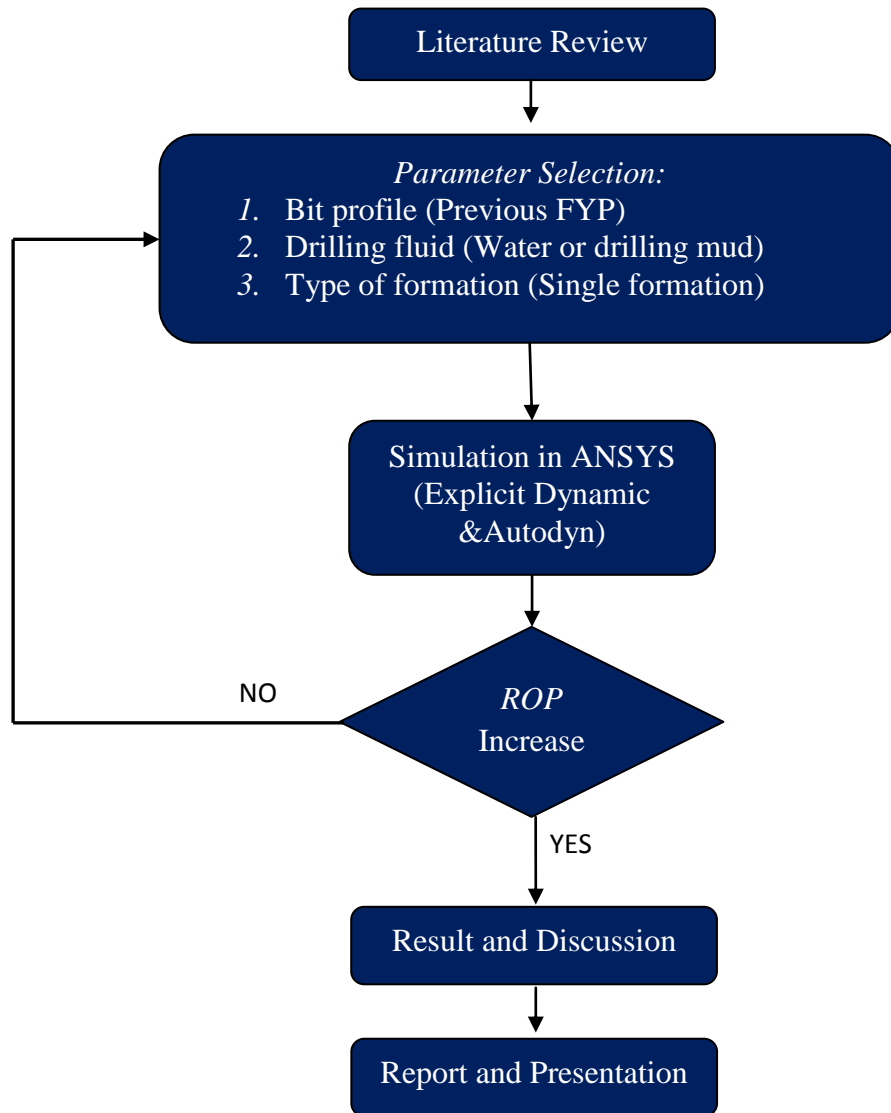
## CHAPTER 3

### RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

#### 3.1 Project Flow Chart

The project started with the preliminary research of PDC bit in order to familiarize with the project based on articles and research paper that have been done before. Based on the literature review, the author focused on the study of the PDC bit and its design features and drilling fluid. At this stage, the author study the effect of mechanical characteristics of the bit cutters, the profile of the PDC drill bit and the case history on PDC drill bit's performance for single-layered formation. The author attended a training session provided by Y-UTP team for "Bit Wear and Vibration Study to Aid Drilling Optimization". The training held in ANSYS lab and the training was taught by previous FYP student that have done ANSYS simulation before. The preliminary model was constructed by the author to give the basic understanding before proceed with the real drill bit in ANSYS simulation. The preliminary model consists of simple cylinder that represents the drill bit to penetrate single-layered formation and this simulation was constructed by using Explicit Dynamics. The author also attended a field trip to Kemaman Supply Base to give some exposure with the current technology of PDC bit. The simulation later carried out by using the real bit that have been reversed engineered by previous FYP student. The parameter analysis was discussed with the supervisor to highlight the parameter being used throughout the project.

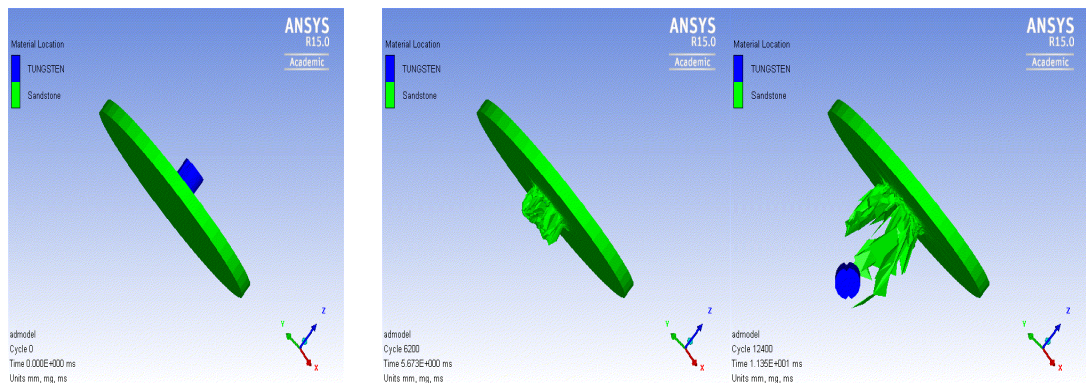
Figure 4 below illustrate the flow chart diagram for this project.



*Figure 4 Project Flow Chart*

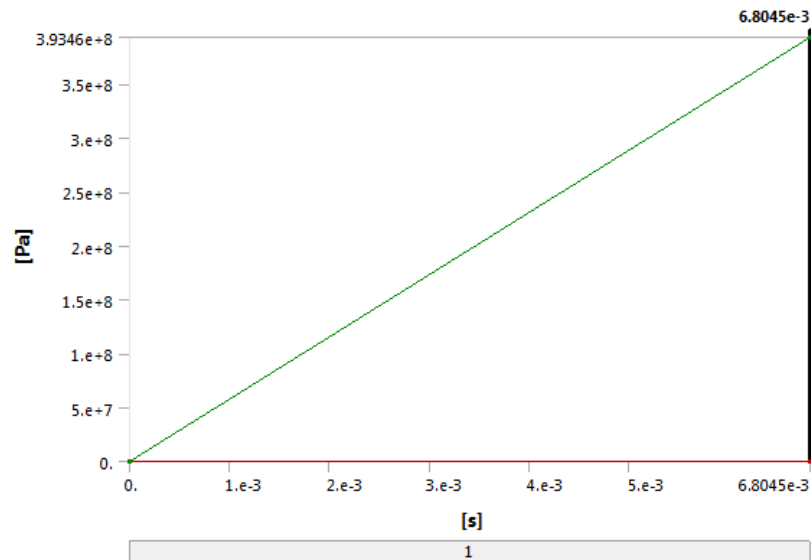
### 3.2 Preliminary Simulation

Before the real simulation being done, a preliminary model is designed in order to familiarize with the simulation. The preliminary model consists of cylindrical body which represents the drill bit and formation located below the drill bit. The cylindrical body will penetrate the formation body and the total velocity of the drill bit on y-axis being measured. The figure below shows the illustration of the simulation.



*Figure 5 Preliminary Simulation*

The graph below shows the results of the total velocity generated from the simulation for the preliminary model.



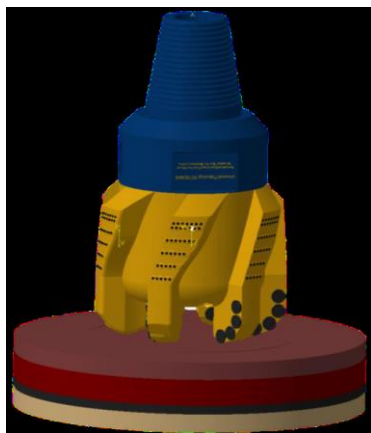
*Figure 6 Resulted graph from simulation*

### 3.3 Drill Bit Profile

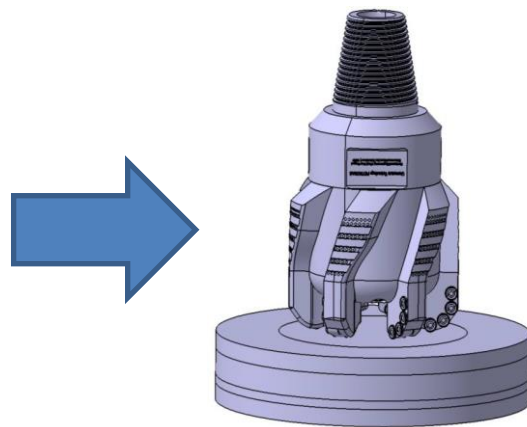
In this project, the bit profile selected from previous FYP project. The bit profile designed and constructed by using software CATIA. The bit profile needs to save in stp format to import the geometry into ANSYS Explicit Dynamic and Autodyn.



*Figure 7 Bit profile in Cathia software*



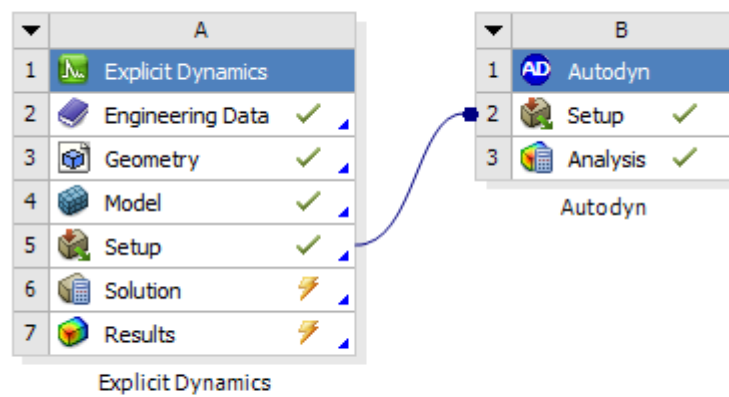
*Figure 8 3D Model of PDC bit in assembly design*



*Figure 9 3D Model of PDC bit in .stp format*

### 3.4 Simulation (ANSYS Explicit Dynamic & AUTODYN)

The design of products that need to survive impacts or short-duration high-pressure loadings can be greatly improved with the use of ANSYS explicit dynamics and Autodyn solutions. These specialized problems require advanced analysis tools to accurately predict the effect of design considerations on product response to severe loadings.

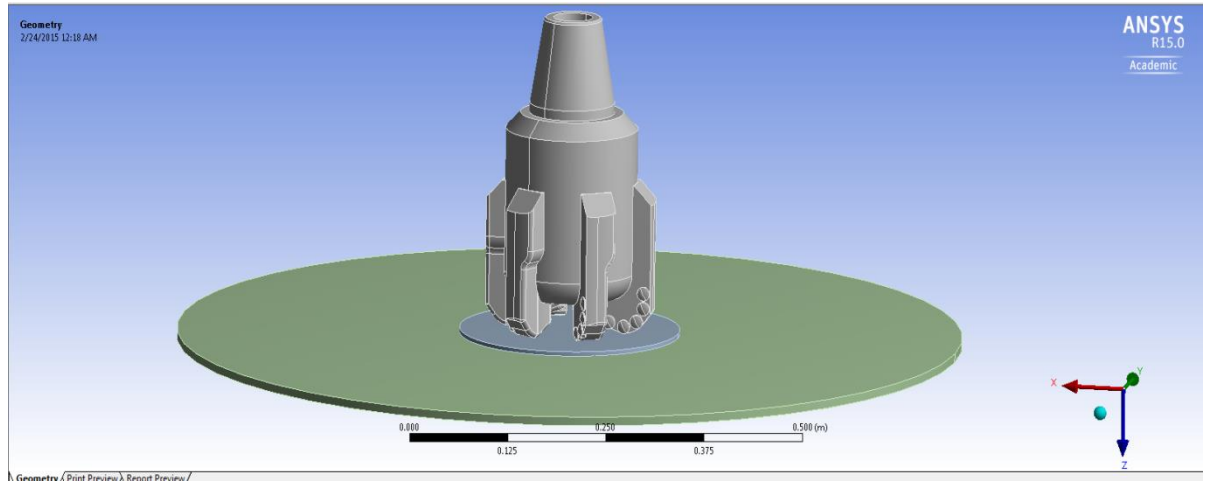


*Figure 10 Explicit dynamic & Autodyn component analysis*

The type of solution used in ANSYS explicit dynamic is “Total Velocity” to analyze the rate of penetration of PDC bit in meter per seconds. The target solver for this analysis is AUTODYN.

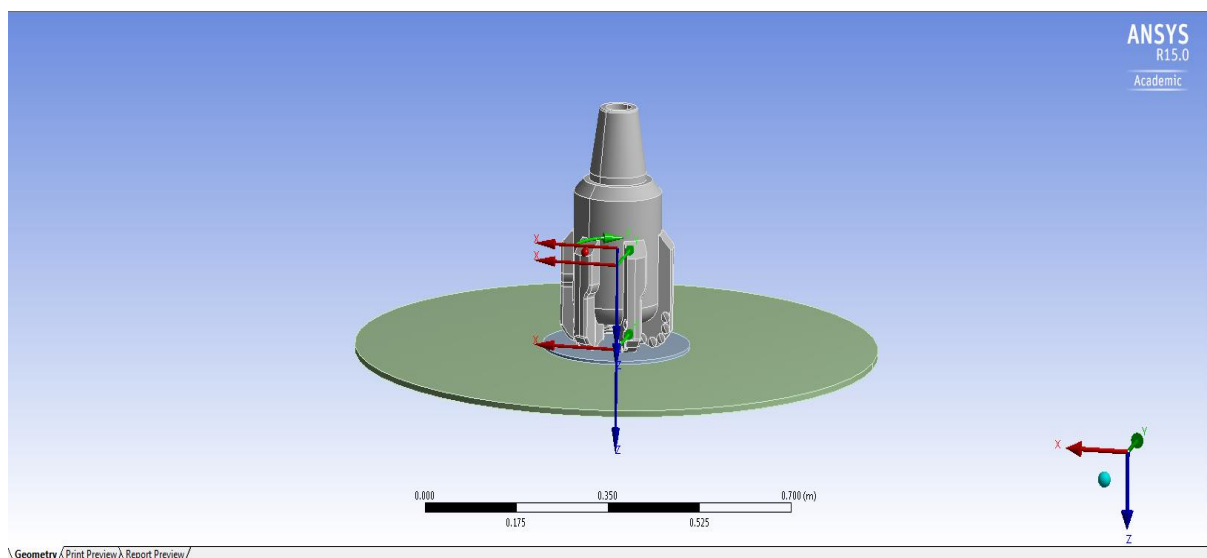
## Geometry and Coordinate System

The 3D model of PDC bit and single-layered rock formation in .stp format are imported into ANSYS Geometry and open in Workbench Mechanical for analysis setting.



**Figure 11** Workbench Mechanical interfaces

As the figure above, the drill bit will penetrate the water and formation layer and the “total velocity” of the cylinder will be measured. Material of the geometry, coordinates system, meshing pattern and setting, initial condition and analysis settings are characterized in ANSYS Workbench Mechanical .

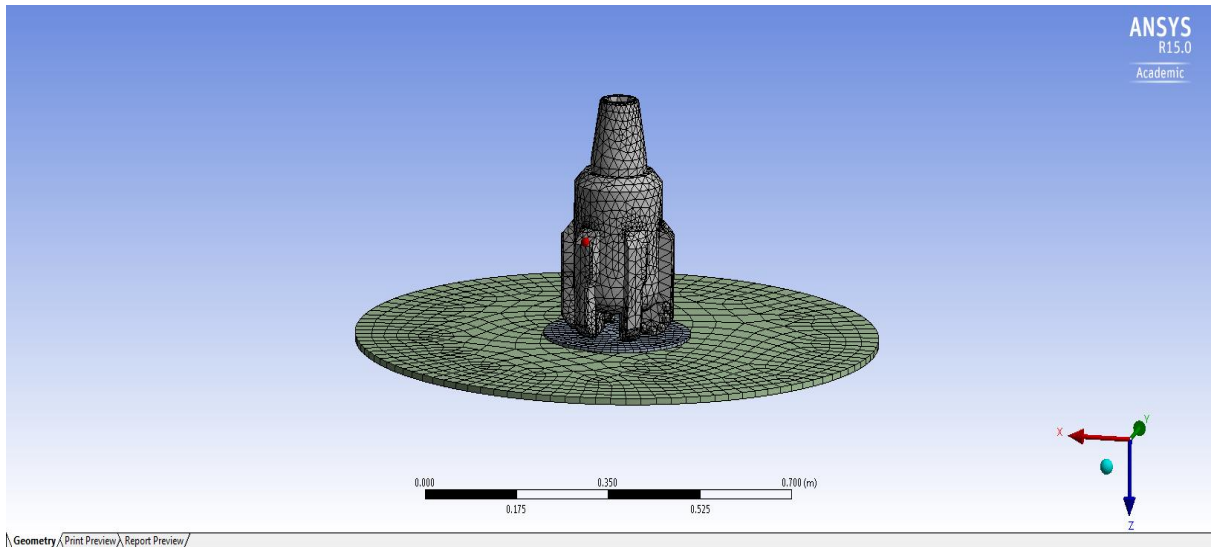


**Figure 12** Simulation Coordinates Systems locations



## Meshing

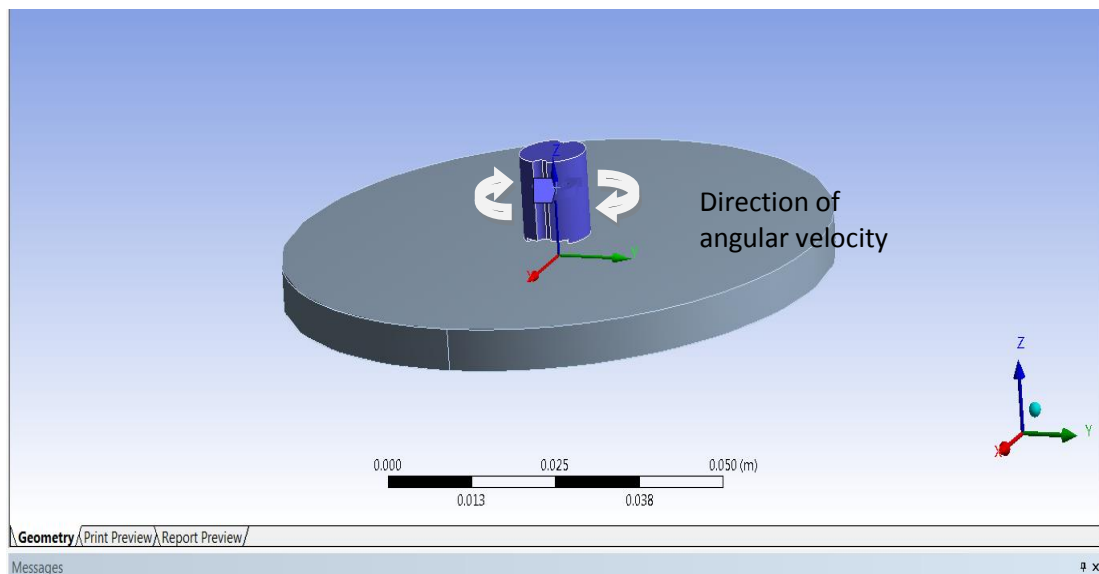
Meshing is one of the vital aspects in engineering simulation. Meshing is a fundamental part of the PC helped engineering simulation process. The mesh influences the accuracy, convergence and speed of the solution. The meshing setting and pattern for this project was set as shown in figure below.



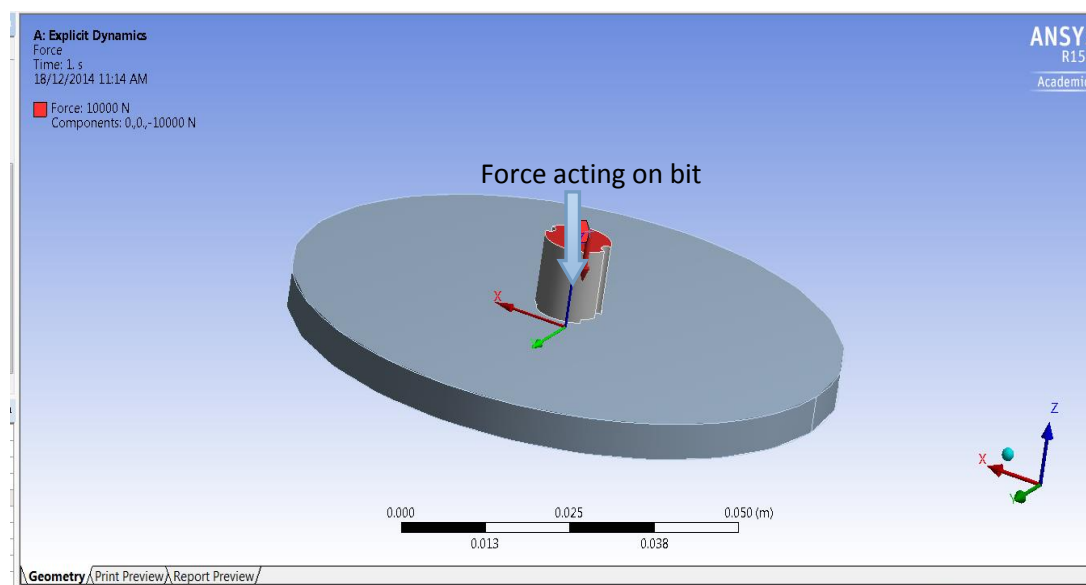
**Figure 13** Simulation meshing setting and pattern

## Initial Condition

Initial condition has to be set up in Explicit Dynamic for later to import the setup to Autodyn component as target solver. There are three initial conditions set for the simulation which is angular velocity, force and fixed support. The angular velocity being assigned to the drill bit that will rotate with the revolutions per minutes (RPM) of 100 RPM. The second condition is force which represent the weight on bit (WOB) acting on the bit. This force being applied at the top of the bit towards the formation. The WOB is set as 100000N for the simulation.



**Figure 14** Angular velocity of bit



**Figure 15** WOB of bit

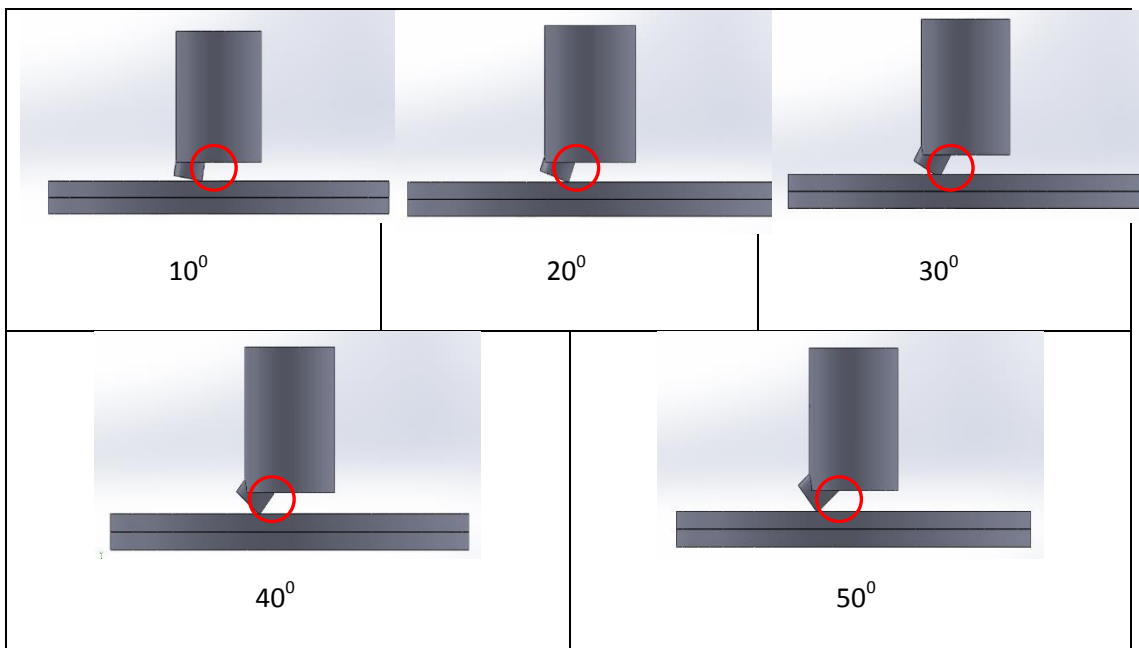
### 3.5 Parameter Analysis

Drill bit design features are one of the important factors affecting the drill bit's performance. In this project, we can say that design features are the input parameters and bit's performance is the output considerations. From the input variable of the PDC bit, the back rake angle and the side rack angle is one of the parameter being measured. These angle being constructed or designed by CATIA software and change it to stp.file to import it into ANSYS simulation geometry. Table 15 below shows the parametric analysis for input during the simulation:

*Table 1 Input data*

Parameter	Input Data
Back Rack Angle	10°, 20°, 30°, 40°, 50°
Side Rack Angle	0°, 30°, 60°
Type of formation	Sandstone, Dolomite

The model of cutter with back rack angle being constructed by using CATIA software. The table below shows the geometry of the cutter with each angle considered which is 10°, 20°, 30°, 40°, 50° :



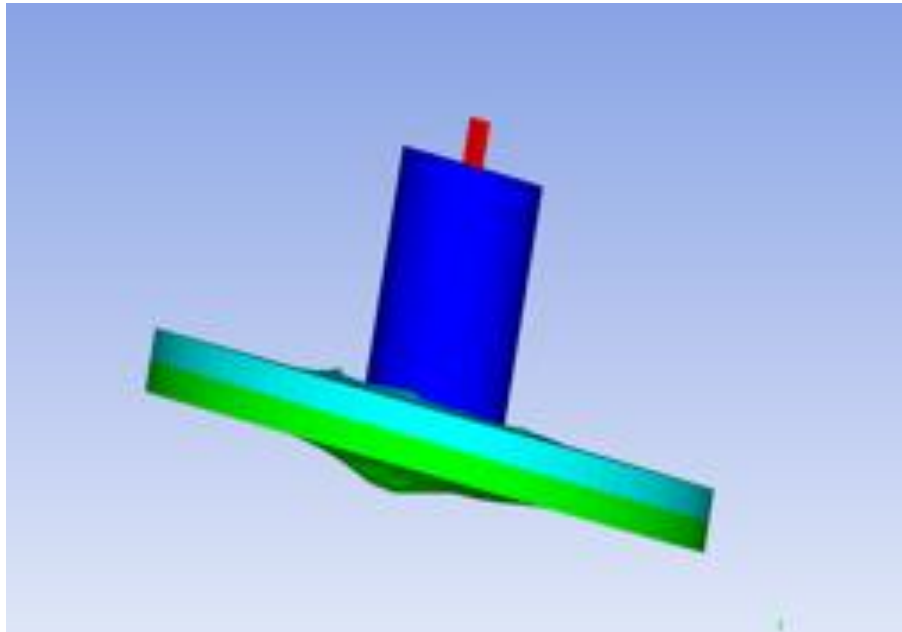
*Figure 16 Back rake angle from CATIA software*

The properties and material for the component will be used in the analysis is defined in engineering data. Table below shows the material and properties used for the analysis.

*Table 2 Material properties*

	<b>Material</b>	<b>Properties</b>
<b>Cutter</b>	Polycrystalline Diamond Compact	Density: 3250 kg m <sup>-3</sup> Young's Modulus: 1.5231E+08 Poisson's Ratio: 0.38462 Bulk Modulus: 2.2E+08 Shear Modulus: 5.5E+08
<b>Bit body</b>	Tungsten Carbide	Density: 19300 kg m <sup>-3</sup> Young's Modulus: 3.968E+11 Poisson's Ratio: 0.24 Bulk Modulus: 2.5436E+11 Shear Modulus: 1.6E+11
<b>Rock formation 2</b>	Sandstone	Density: 2650kg m <sup>-3</sup> Young's Modulus: 1.8456E+08 Poisson's Ratio: 0.2 Bulk Modulus: 1.0253E+08 Shear Modulus: 7.69E+07
<b>Rock formation 4</b>	Dolomite	Density: 2872 kg m <sup>-3</sup> Young's Modulus: 1.1657E+11 Poisson's Ratio: 0.29527 Bulk Modulus: 9.49E+10 Shear Modulus: 4.5E+10

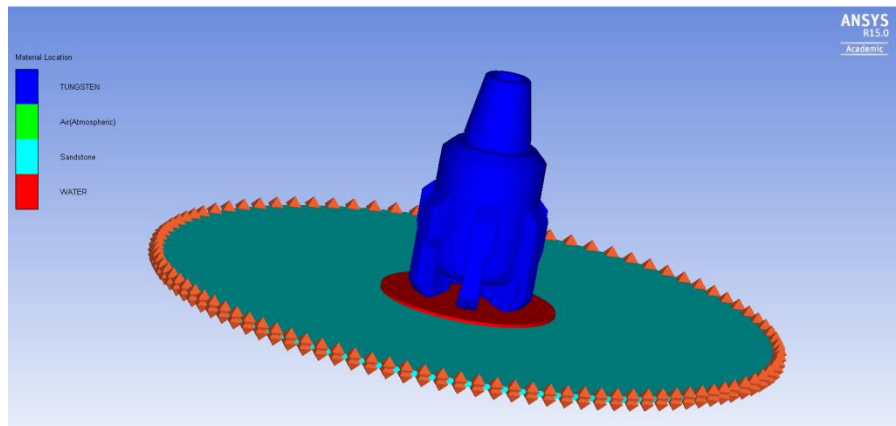
For the next step of the simulation, the author been assigned to simulate ANSYS Autodyn analysis system by using simple design based on two main components, tungsten acts as the drill bit profile to penetrate the formation with the aids of drilling fluid or mud. For the starting, water being used to acts as the drilling fluid that will be drilled with the drill bit. This additional parameter is used to obtain more reliable result compared to the real industry. The model geometry of the fluid flow is show in Figure below.



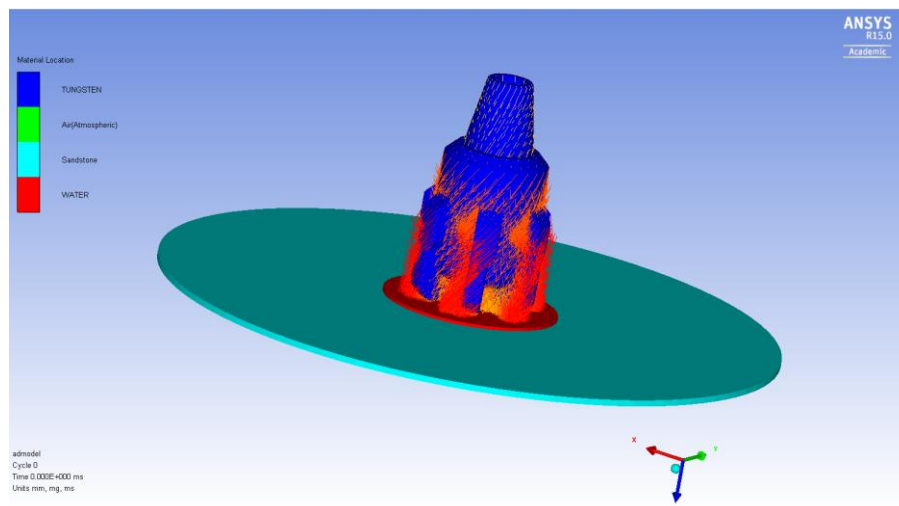
*Figure 17 Simulation with fluid flow*

The fluid located at the center of the bit as a hole being constructed to the bit body using CATIA software. The fluid being assigned to have the continuous fluid flow which have same direction with the bit penetrates the formation. Euler method will be used for the simulation as Euler method is the best method for liquid flow. The fluid flow is assigned to have velocity of 10m/s which is lower than the WOB acting on the bit so that the water will not have greater impact while bit penetrates the formation.

The boundary condition and vector condition of the bit also can be set up during Autodyn setup. In Autodyn, the boundaries condition can be viewed more clearly with the aids of shapes representing the boundaries condition. The direction of the vector of drill bit also can be seen during the setup of simulation in Autodyn. Other extra parameter can be measured by using gauge positioning. The gauge position will shows some output parameter at exact location of the bit. For this simulation the gauge assigned on the surface of cutter.



*Figure 18 Boundary Condition setup in Autodyn*



*Figure 19 Vector condition setup in Autodyn*

### **3.9 Tools and Equipment**

Tools and equipment used for this project is simulation software, called ANSYS (AUTODYN/Explicit Dynamic) and CATIA (Computer Aided Three-dimensional Interactive Application)

### 3.10 Gantt Chart and Key Milestone

Table 3 Gantt Chart for FYP1 and FYP2

No	Activities / Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
1	Literature Review	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	
2	Preliminary Research Work		Process	Process	Process	Process										
3	Field Visit to Kemaman Supply Base (KSB)							Process								
4	Design simple simulation model (ANSYS)								Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Milestone 1
No	Activities / Week	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
1	Literature Review	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process				
2	Analysis on first bit profile simulation with drilling fluids (ANSYS)	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Process	Milestone 2								
13	Analysis on new bit profile and drilling fluid (ANSYS)							Process	Process	Milestone 3						
4	ROP Analysis										Process	Process	Process	Process	Milestone 4	

 Process
  Suggested Milestone



*Table 4 Key milestones*

1	Key Milestone 1: Completed simple simulation with ANSYS-Autodyn
2	Key Milestone 2: Completed first bit profile with drilling fluid simulation
3	Key Milestone 3: Completed simulation with new bit profile and drilling fluid
4	Key Milestone 4: Completed ROP analysis

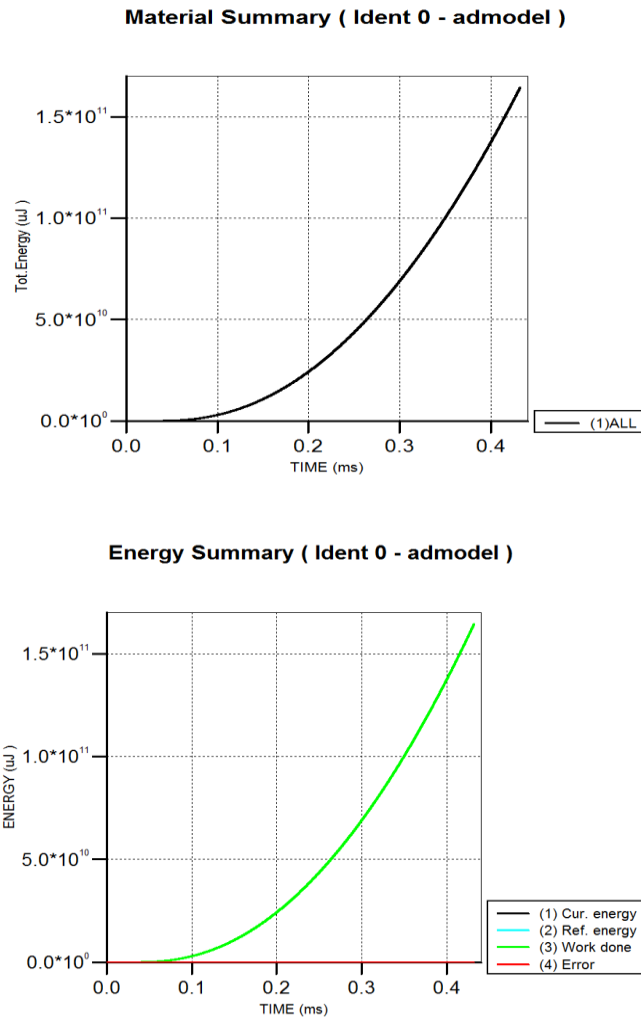
## **CHAPTER 4**

### **RESULT AND DISSCUSSION**

The output parameter for this project is the rate of penetration (ROP). In the drilling industry, the rate of penetration (ROP) is the speed at which a drill bit breaks the rock under it to deepen the borehole. ROP is also known as penetration rate or drill rate. It is normally measured in feet per minute or meters per hour, but sometimes it is expressed in minutes per foot. From the simulation, directional velocity in y-axis being measured that represent the ROP for the drill bit to penetrate the formation. There are two main parameter being measured which is the side rack angle and back rack angle of the cutter mounted to the drill bit. There are two types of formation being tested for this simulation which is sandstone and dolomite. These formation selected based on the different hardness of the formation which is sandstone is softer than dolomite.

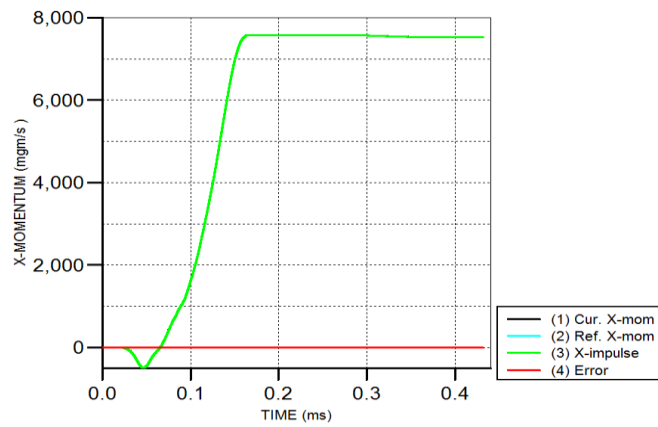
## 4.1 Preliminary Simulation Result

This preliminary model basically consists of just a cylinder, which represents a bit, and another slimmer cylinder which represents the formation itself. In this project, the simulation was carried by ANSYS Explicit Dynamic. Data from total velocity represent the rate of penetration for the PDC bit is extracted from ANSYS result. At the end of simulation, there are some graph represented the output that rely on the simulation. As figure showed below, there are few graph resulted from the simulation divided into six parts which is material summary, part summary, energy summary, x-momentum summary, y-momentum summary and z-momentum summary.

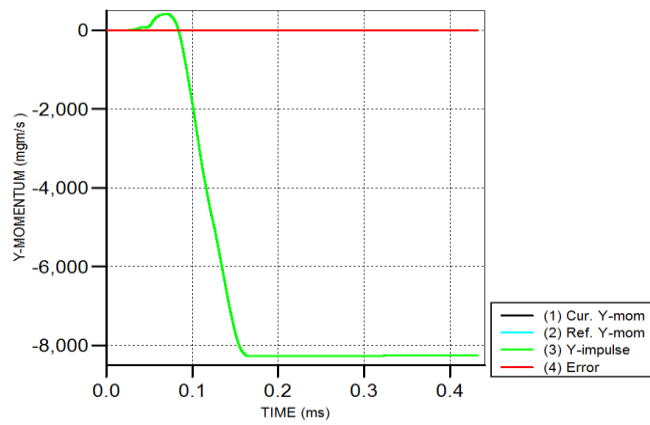


*Figure 20 Graph resulted from preliminary simulation*

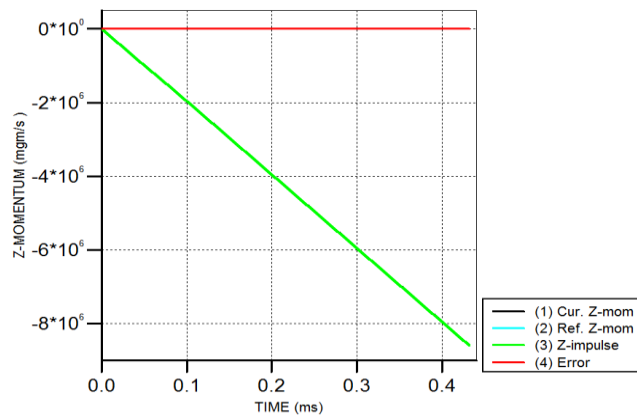
### X Momentum Summary ( Ident 0 - admodel )



### Y Momentum Summary ( Ident 0 - admodel )



### Z Momentum Summary ( Ident 0 - admodel )



*Figure 20 Graph resulted from preliminary simulation*

From figure 20 shows the reaction occurred during the simulation. For the energy summary and part summary, we can observe the increase of the total energy from time to time in millisecond. From the energy summary, the work done is calculated by the simulation of the drill bit to penetrate the formation and we also can observe the increase in work done by time to time. The error in this simulation is 0 as well, confirming the simulation is successful. However, more energy is required when a fluid is introduced into the simulation. For the x-momentum, y-momentum and z-momentum, the impulse of being recorded for every axis. The axis being set during the setup in Explicit Dynamics to show the reaction occurred from every axis that have been assigned.

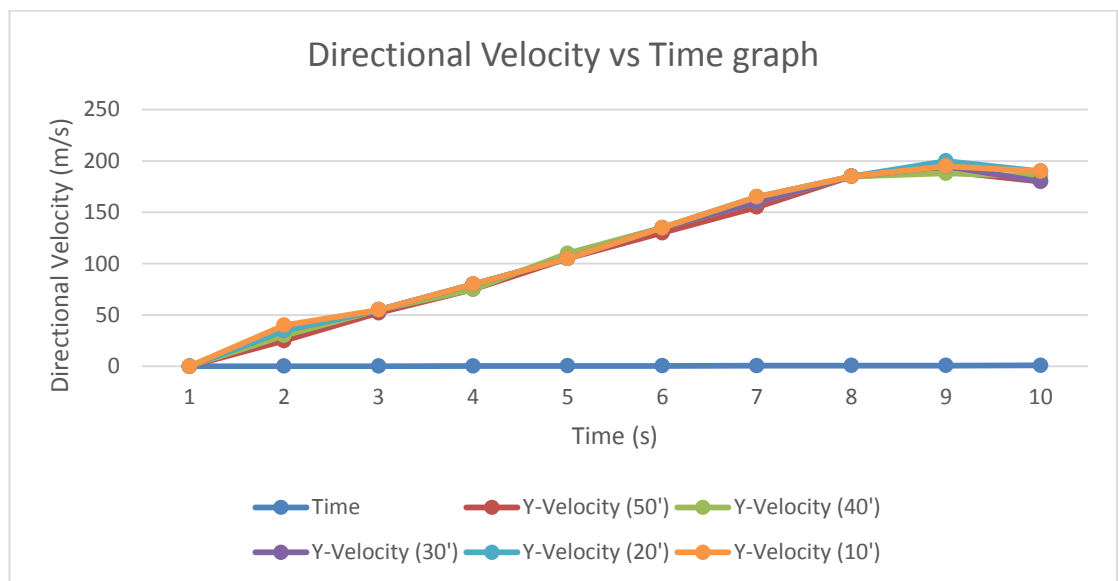
#### 4.1 Side Rack Angle Result (Sandstone formation)

The **table** below show the result given by the simulation for back rack angle parameter on the sandstone formation.

*Table 5 Directional velocity for sandstone formation*

TIME/ANGLE	Directional Velocity (m/s)				
	10 <sup>0</sup>	20 <sup>0</sup>	30 <sup>0</sup>	40 <sup>0</sup>	50 <sup>0</sup>
0.1	25	30	35	35	40
0.2	52	55	55	55	55
0.3	75	75	80	80	80
0.4	105	110	105	105	105
0.5	130	135	135	135	135
0.6	155	160	160	165	165
0.7	185	185	185	185	185
0.8	190	188	190	195	195
0.9	180	185	180	190	190

From these set of values, a graph is plotted to compare the directional velocity of the PDC bit on single-layered formation.



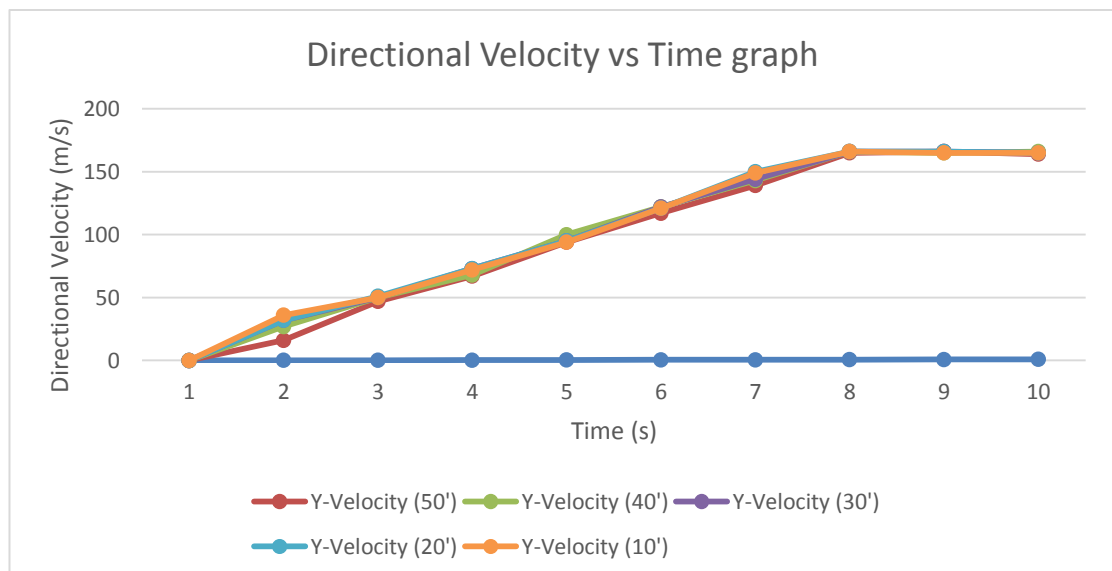
**4.1 Side Rack** *Figure 21 Graph of directional velocity for sandstone*

The **table** below show the result given by the simulation for back rack angle parameter on the dolomite formation.

**Table 6** Directional velocity for dolomite formation

TIME/ANGLE	Directional Velocity (m/s)				
	10 <sup>0</sup>	20 <sup>0</sup>	30 <sup>0</sup>	40 <sup>0</sup>	50 <sup>0</sup>
0.1	22	27	28	28	36
0.2	45	46	46	46	46
0.3	67	67	68	67	68
0.4	80	86	86	90	90
0.5	117	120	120	120	120
0.6	140	145	145	145	145
0.7	166	166	166	164	166
0.8	170	165	165	165	160
0.9	165	165	160	160	165

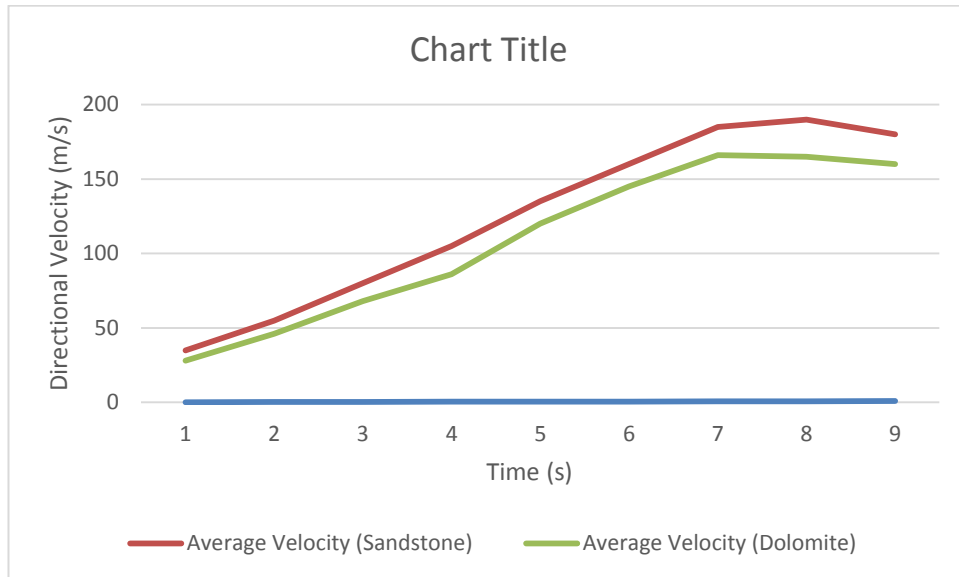
From these set of values, a graph is plotted to compare the directional velocity of the PDC bit on single-layered formation.



**4.1 Result c0** *Figure 22 Graph of directional velocity for dolomite formation*

Based on the graph shows that the back rack angle of 10<sup>0</sup> gave the best bit performance in terms of directional velocity on x-axis or in ANSYS terms represent

the Y-momentum. However, based on the results of these back rack angle not shows big differences in terms of directional velocity based on both formation sandstone and dolomite. The graph below show the comparison between average directional velocities between both formations.

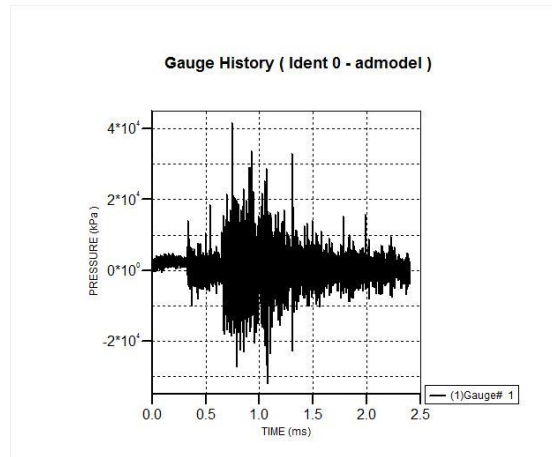


**Figure 23** Graph of average directional velocity for both formation

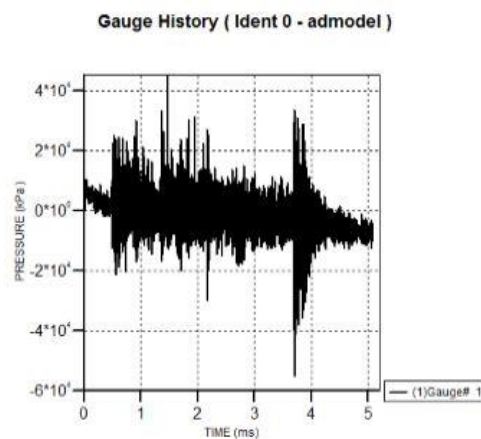
The graph above shows that the directional velocity of average directional velocity for sandstone is higher than dolomite formation. This shows that that ROP of drill bit using sandstone formation is higher than dolomite formation. As be mentioned before, the hardness of the formation can influenced the ROP of bit and bit performance.



From the simulation also the author can extract the pressure occurred during the simulation. As figure below show the gauge pressure for both types of formation which is sandstone and dolomite.



**Figure 24** Gauge pressure of sandstone formation with  $10^0$  rake angle



**Figure 25** Gauge pressure of dolomite formation with  $10^0$  rake angle

The gauge pressure show the pressure exerted for both sandstone and dolomite with  $10^0$  rake angle to shows the differences in pressure during the simulation. As observed below the pressure exerted for sandstone formation is bit lower compared to dolomite formation. As be mentioned before, the pressure difference influenced by the hardness of the formation. In this case, the dolomite formation represent the harder formation and exerted more pressure in order the drill bit able to penetrate the formation. From both graph also shows a starting constant pressure before the pressure behavior changed or started to increase. This shows that the bit is starting to penetrate the formation and produced the differences in pressure.

## CHAPTER 5

### CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

#### 5.1 Conclusion

This project has provided a review of the literature associated with the *PDC* bit performance in single-layer formation. As conclusion, the study of this PDC bit shows that:

1. Bit performance is strongly influenced by design features of PDC bit. Optimizing bit design, angle of cutter (back rack angle & side rack angle) and bit material have been shown to be able to increase ROP
2. The presence of drilling fluid in drilling operation is foreseen to have an effect on ROP.
3. Parametric analysis on PDC bit can be done by Autodyn as solver for more reliable and reasonable result.

#### 5.2 Limitation of Project

There are some limitations from this project in order to get the full analysis of PDC bit components itself. Back rake angle and side rake angle are not the only parameter that can be analyzed. There are some other parameters as shown before in parameter analysis that can be considered for analyzing the study of dynamics of PDC bit by using ANSYS simulation. Due to time constraint, the author managed to analyze based on two common formations for the PDC bit to penetrate in order to achieve the high performance PDC bit.

### **5.3 Recommendation**

The further studies need to be done in order to get the highest performance of PDC bit. The studies on the dynamic of PDC bit need to be conducted with different parameter analysis the shows the relationship between the PDC bit features and other parameter concerned. The additional of the fluid flow in ANSYS-Autodyn also need to be done with different approach to get the overview of the drilling fluid while drilling. The settings and assumption of the drilling fluid itself need to be consider again in order to predict more reliable results to compare with the current industry technologies approach.

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