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# Thermo-electrical equivalents for simulating the electro-mechanical behavior of biological tissue

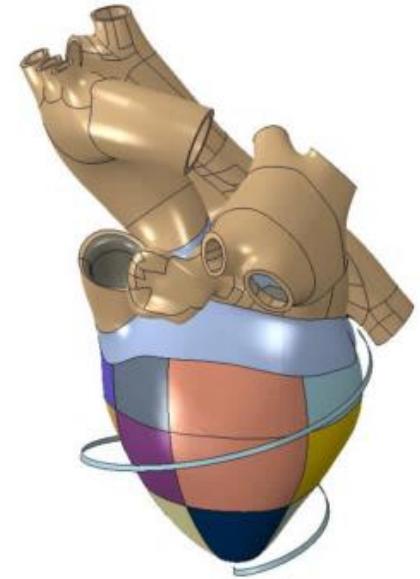


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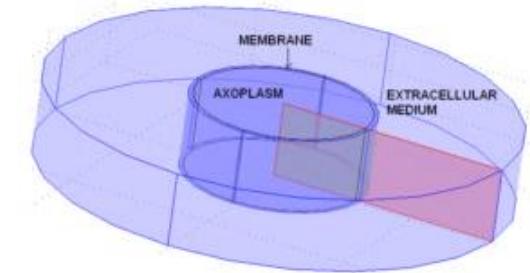
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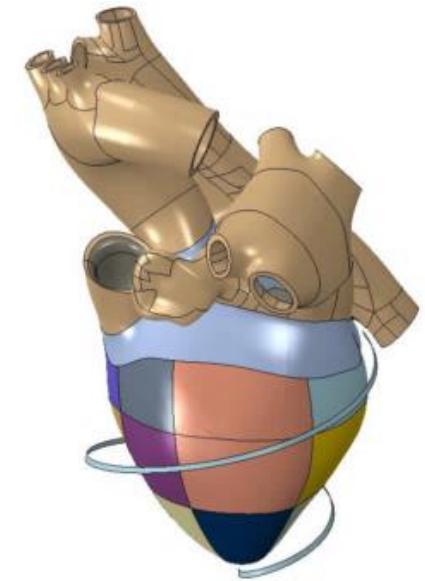
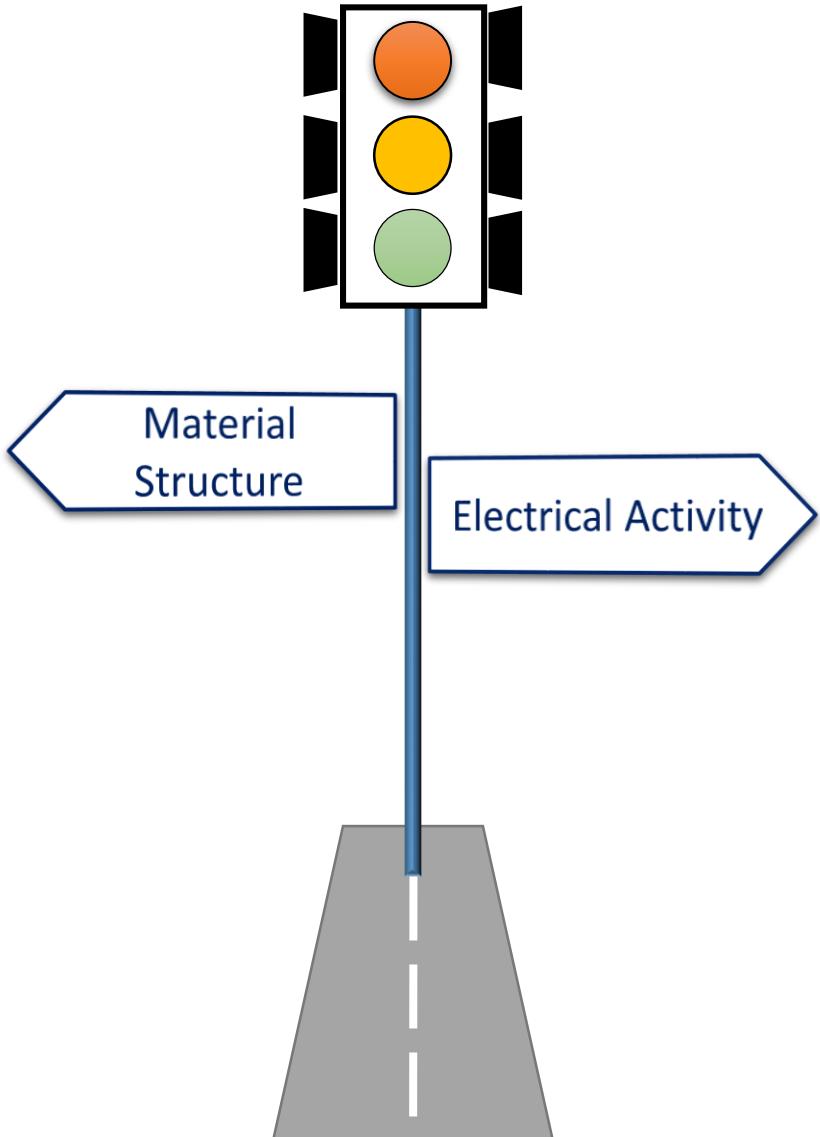
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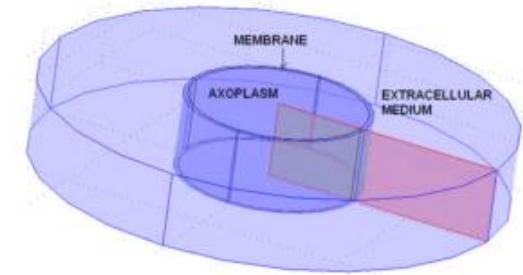
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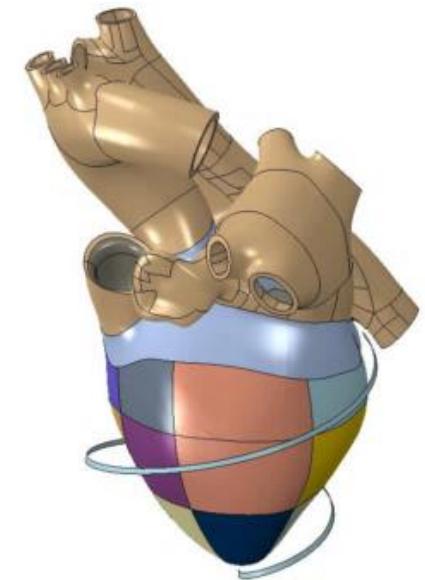
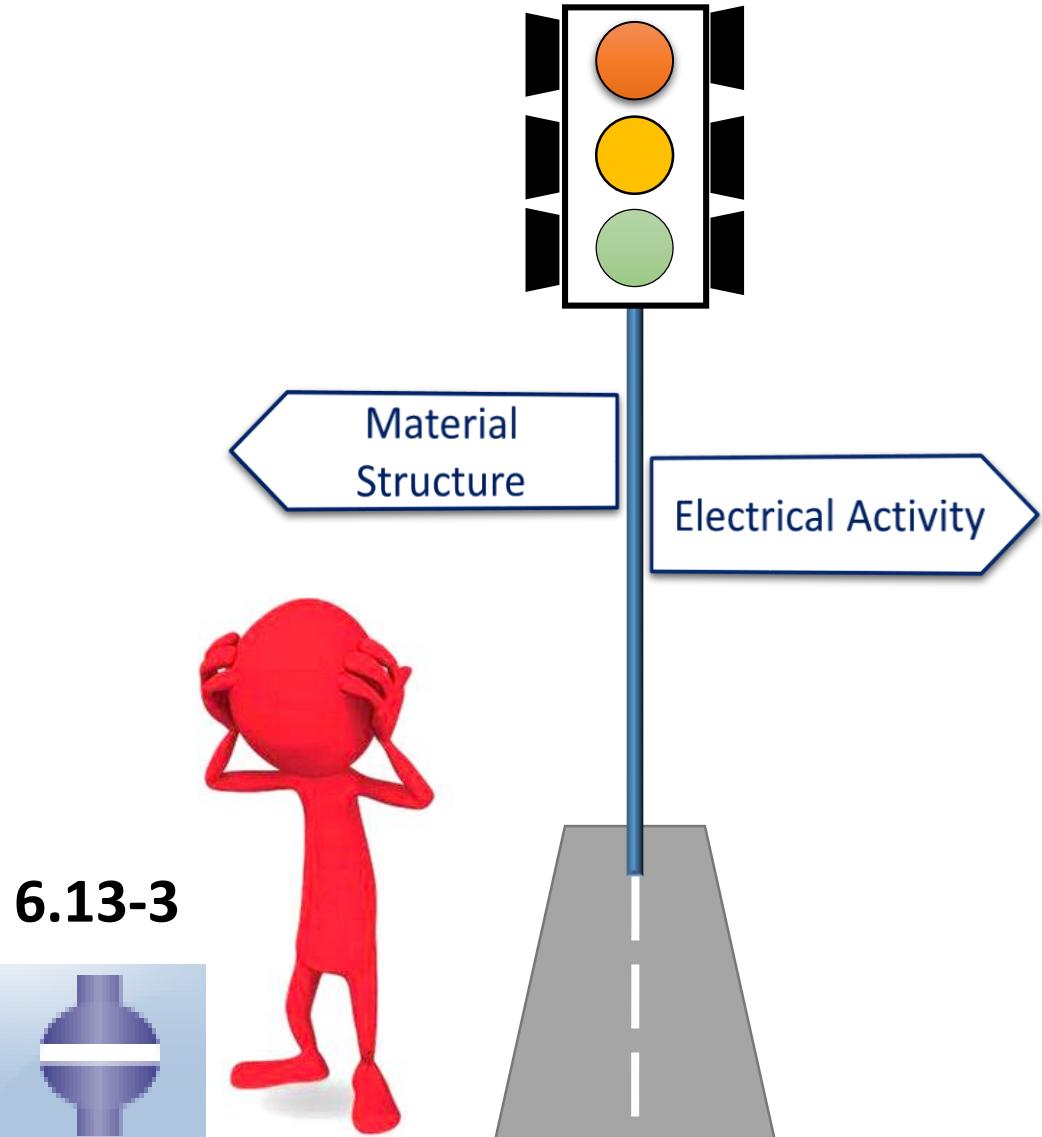
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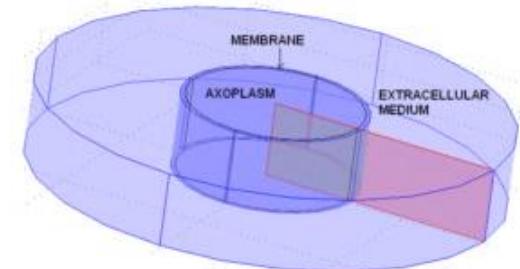
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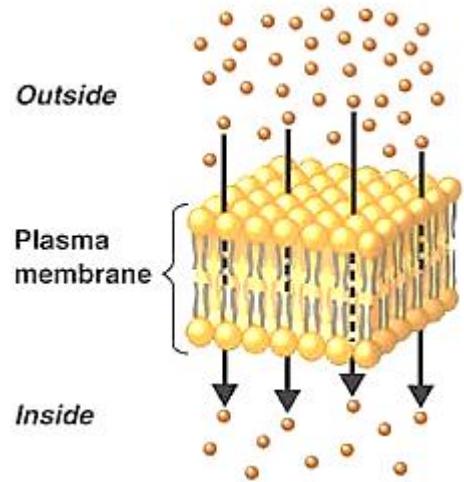
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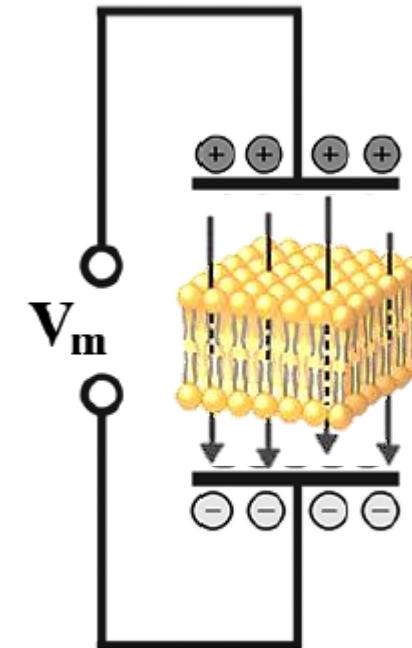
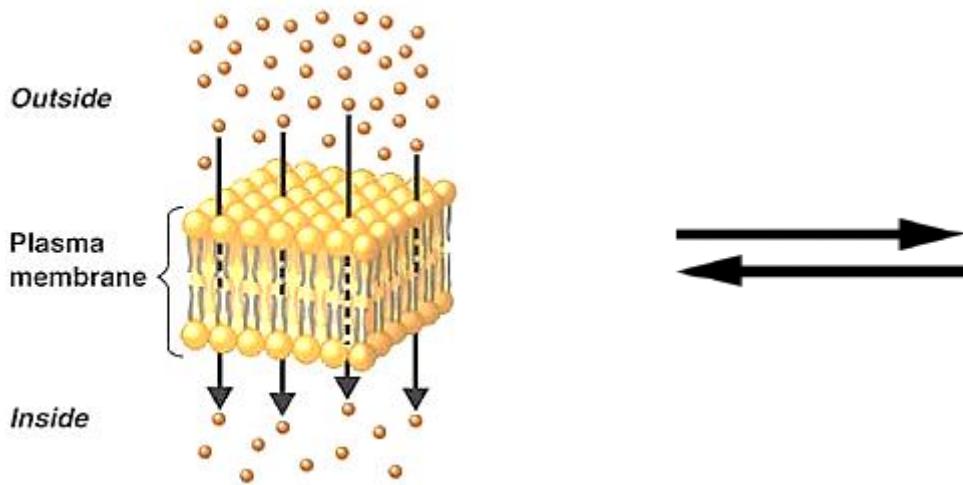
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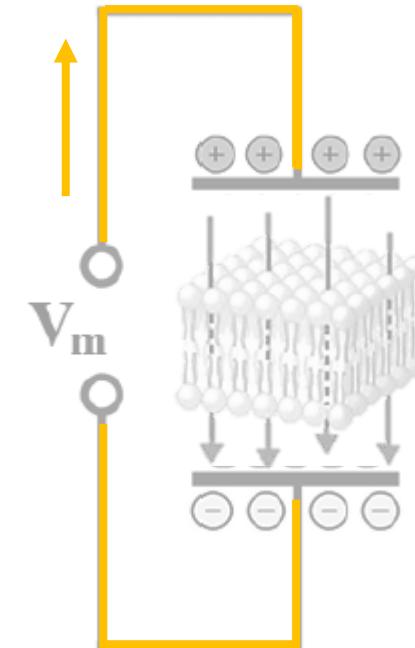
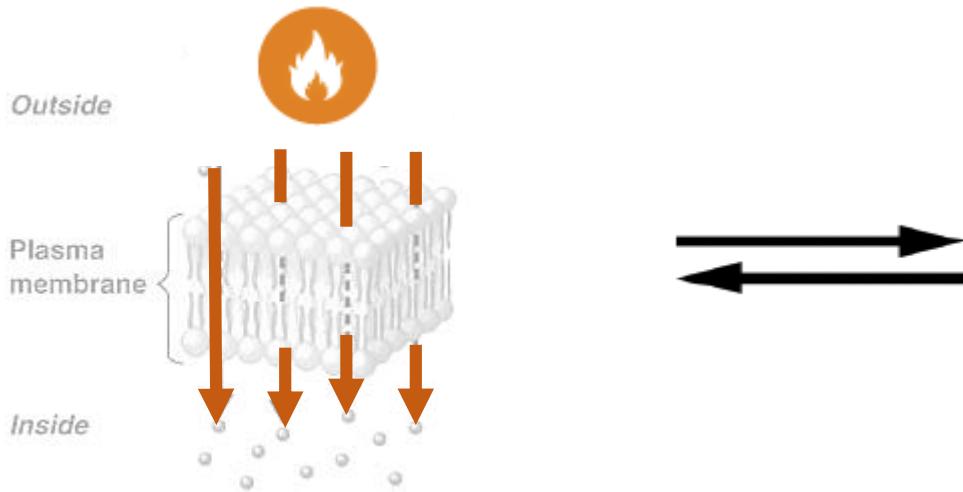
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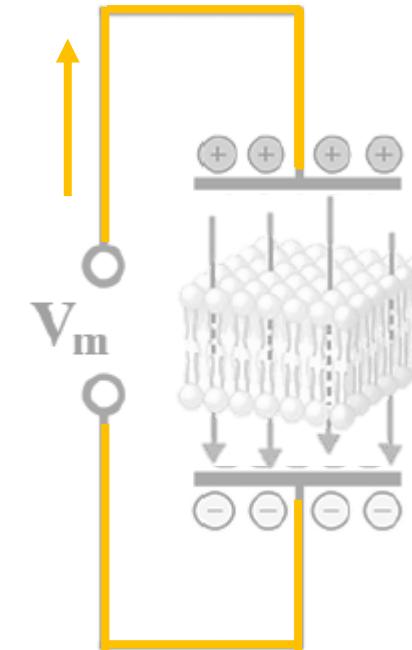
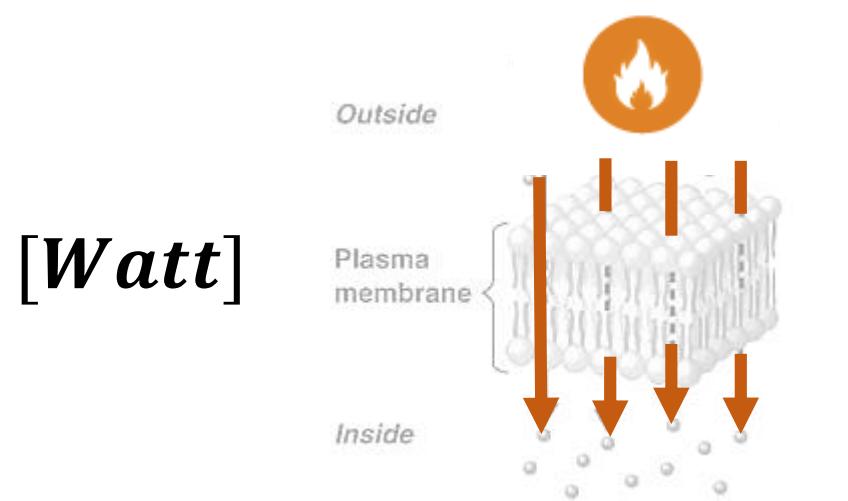
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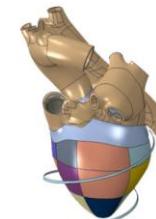
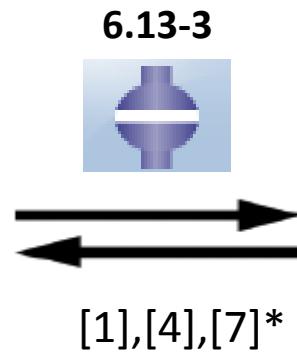
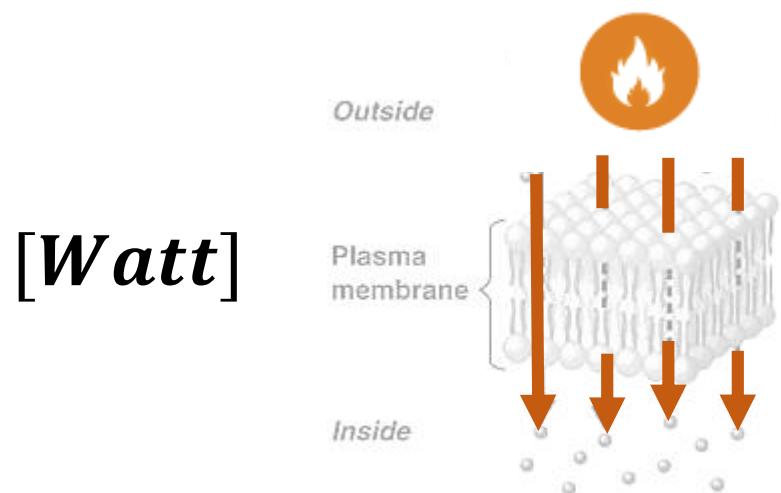
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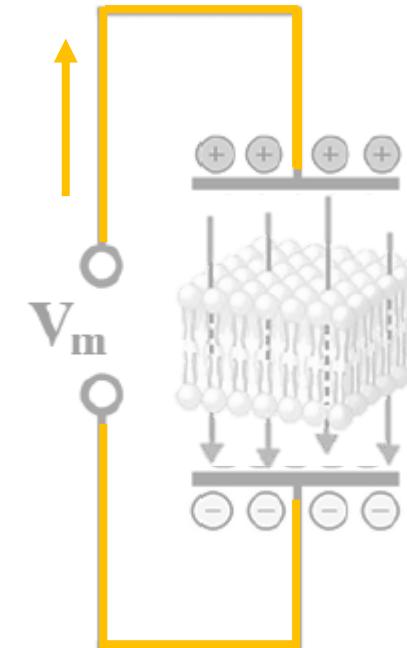
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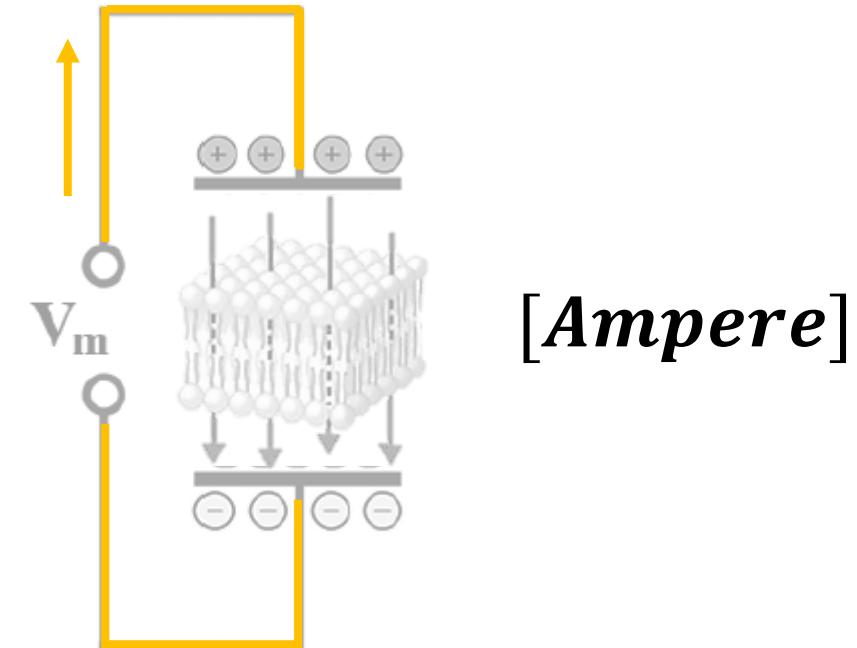
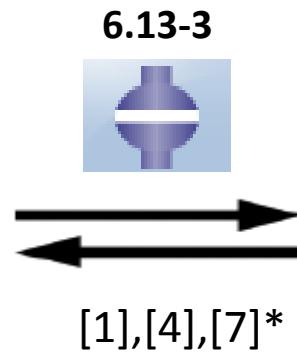
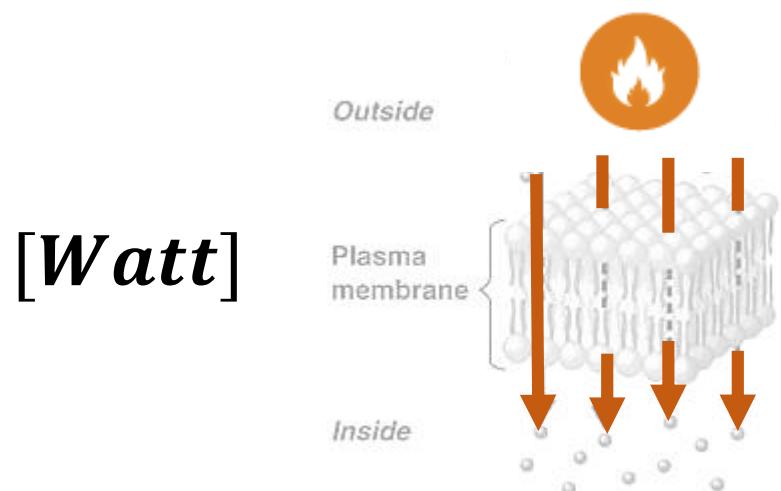
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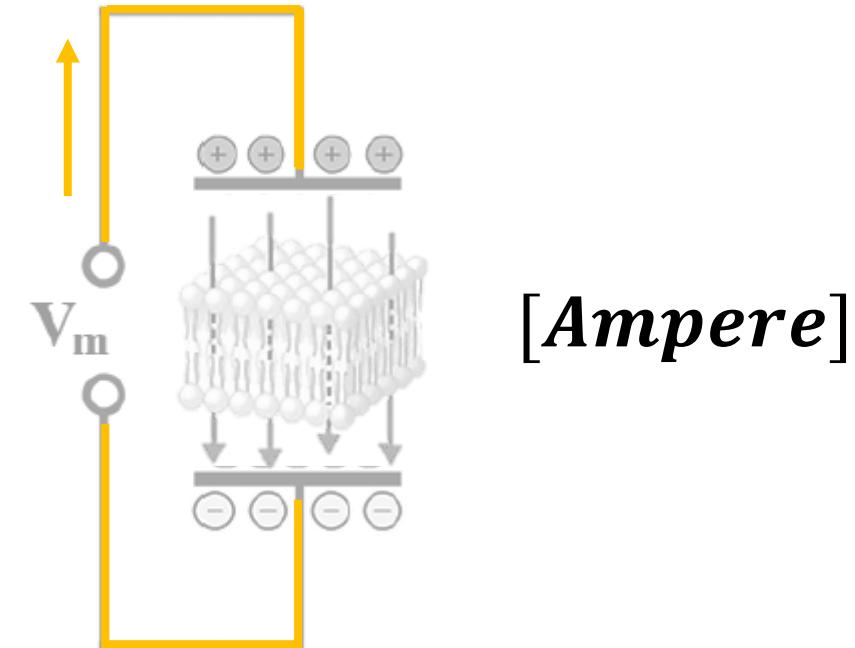
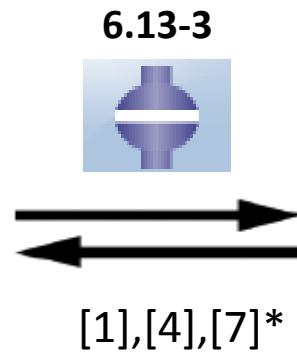
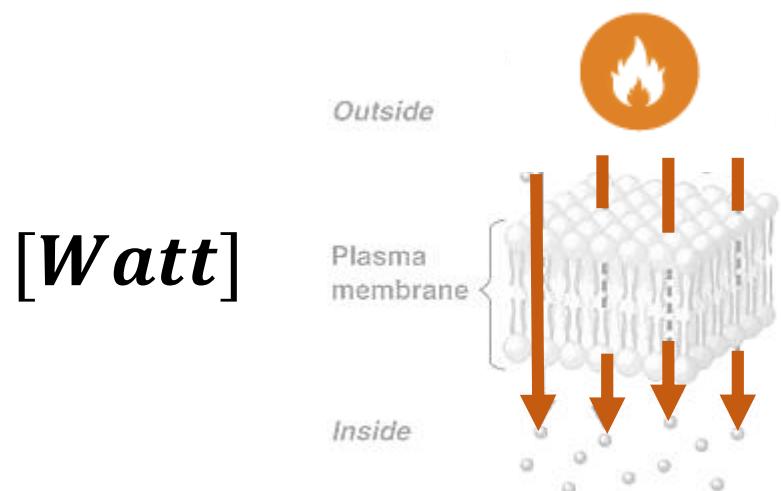
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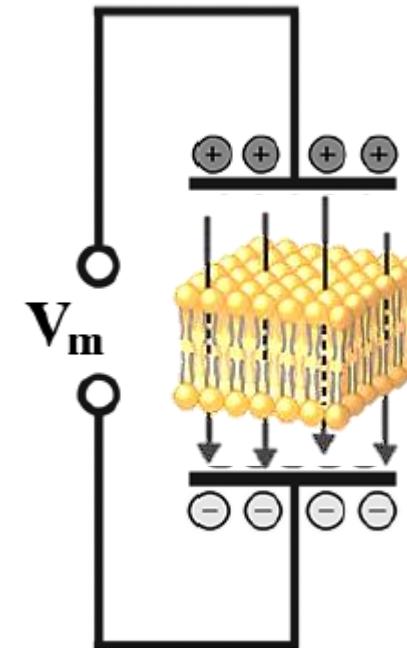
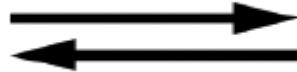
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$$\nabla \cdot k\nabla T + Q = 0$$

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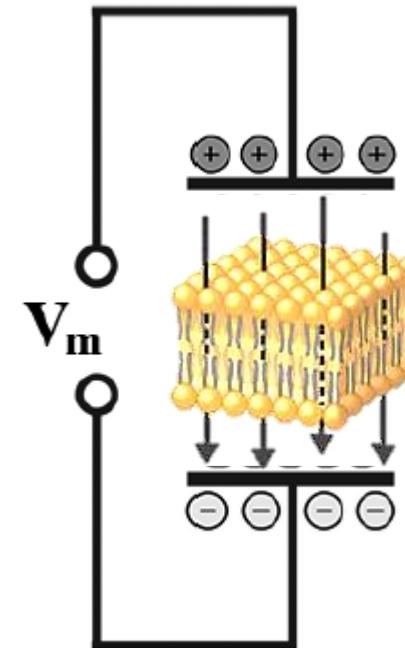
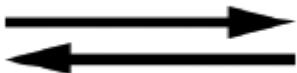
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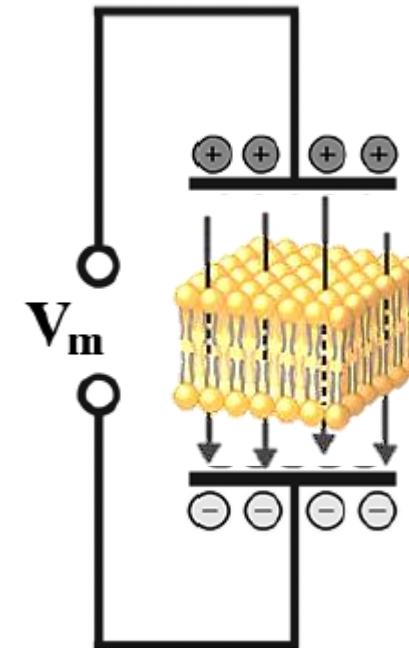
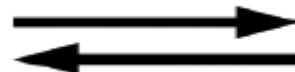
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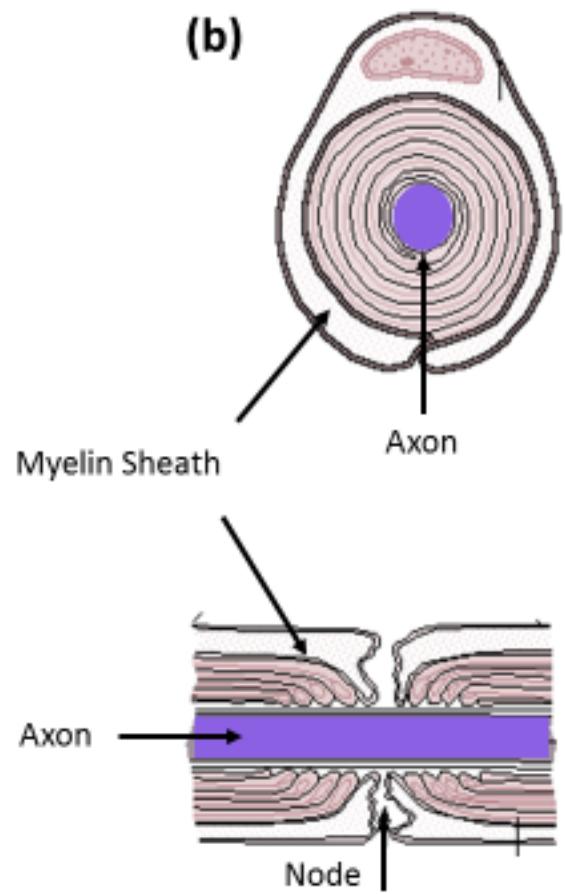
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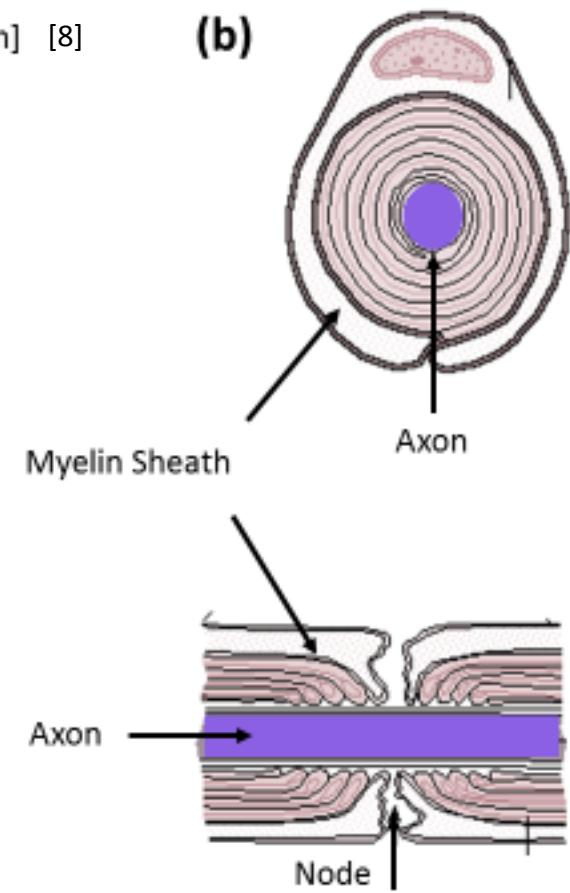
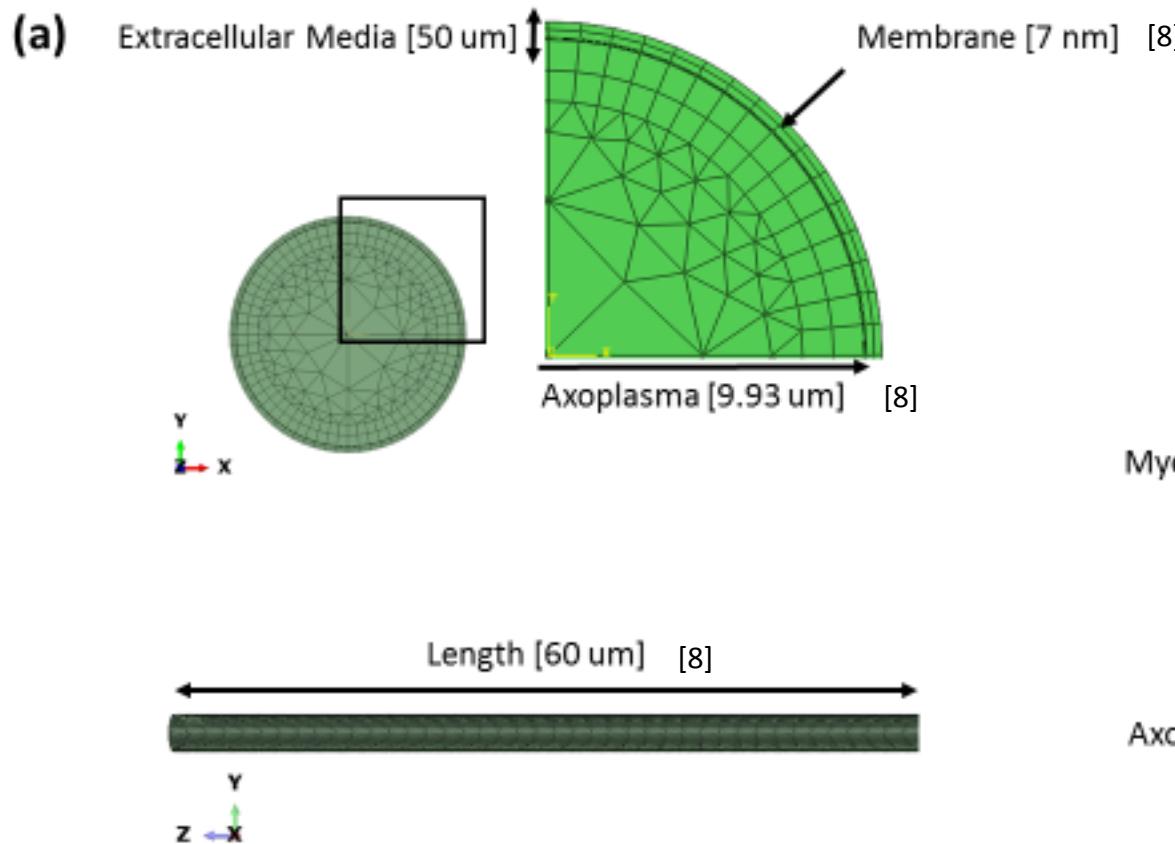
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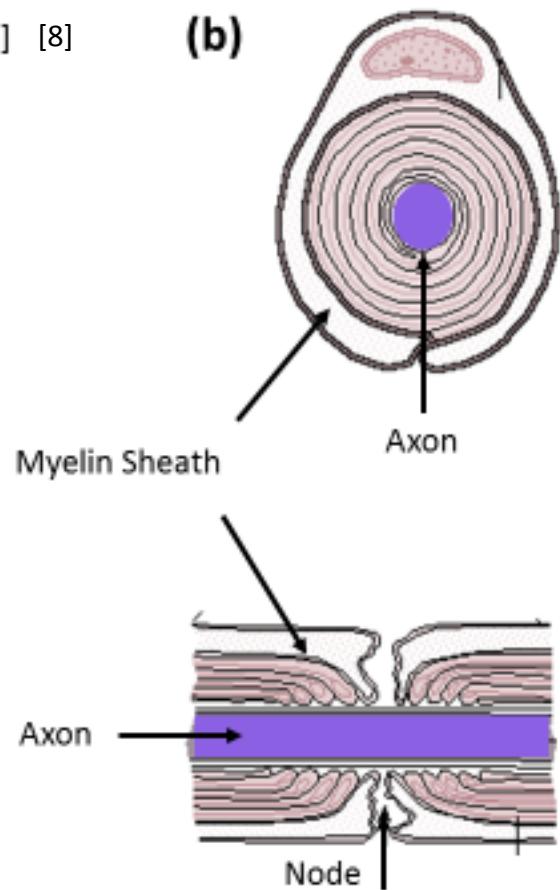
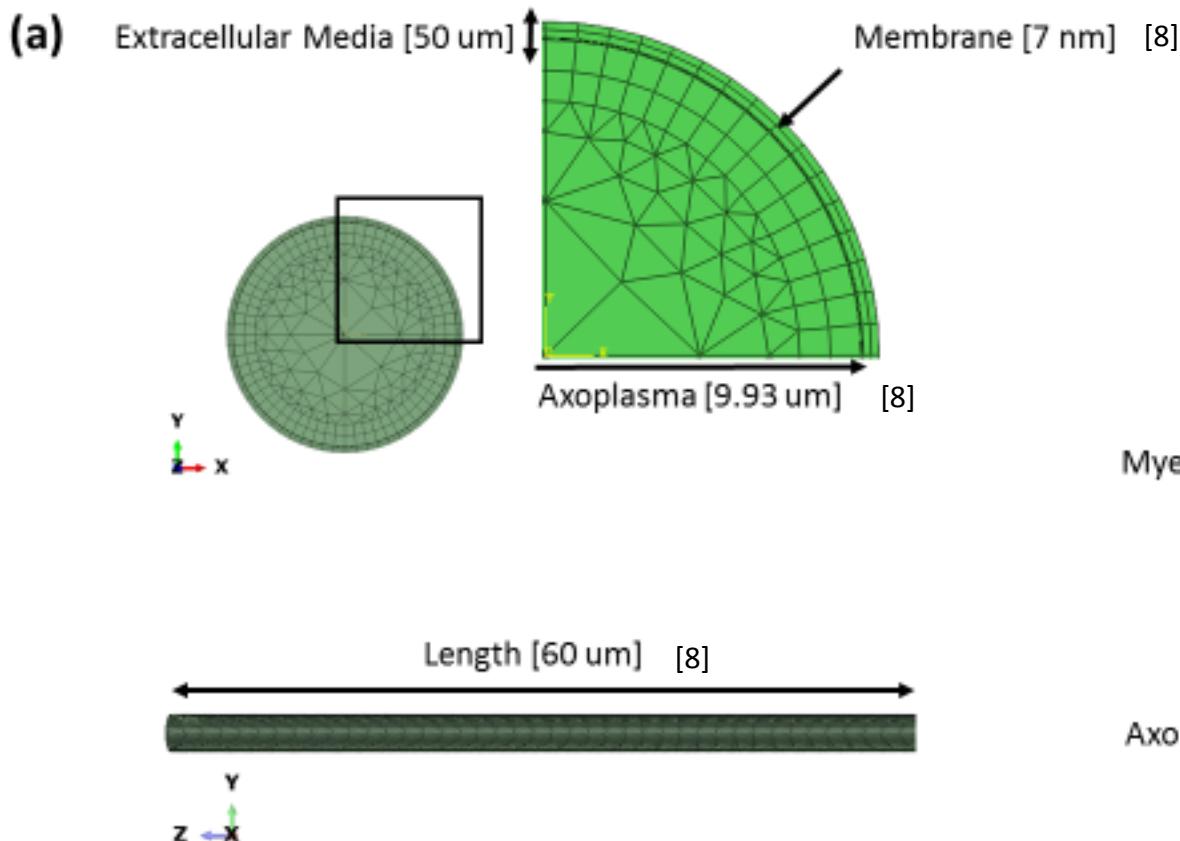
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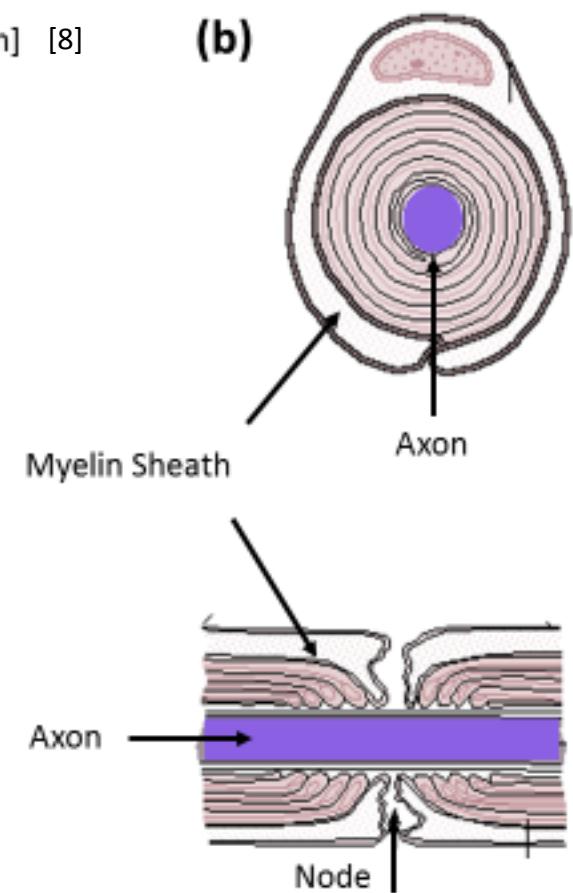
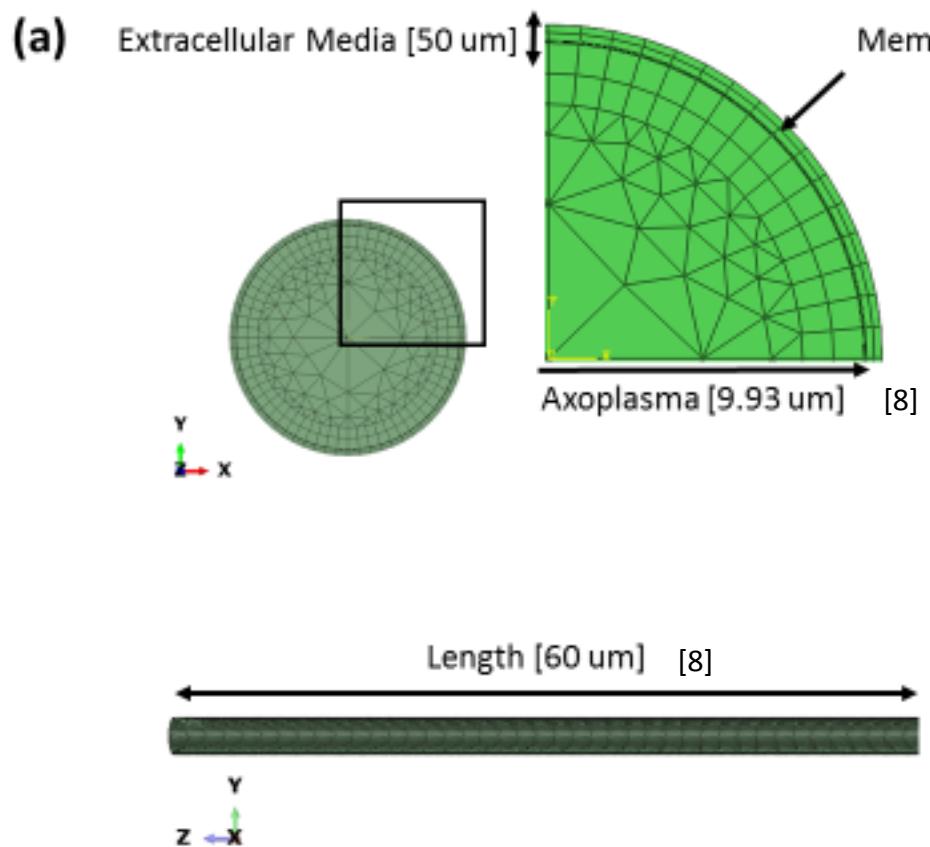
Material Properties	Units
Conductivity	$\text{S um}^{-1}$
Specific Heat	$\text{F um}^{-2}$
Density	$\text{kg um}^{-3}$



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- Isotropic 3D cylindrical model ;
- Number of nodes: 310717;
- Number of elements: 350400;
- Element Types: DC3D6,DCC3D8.

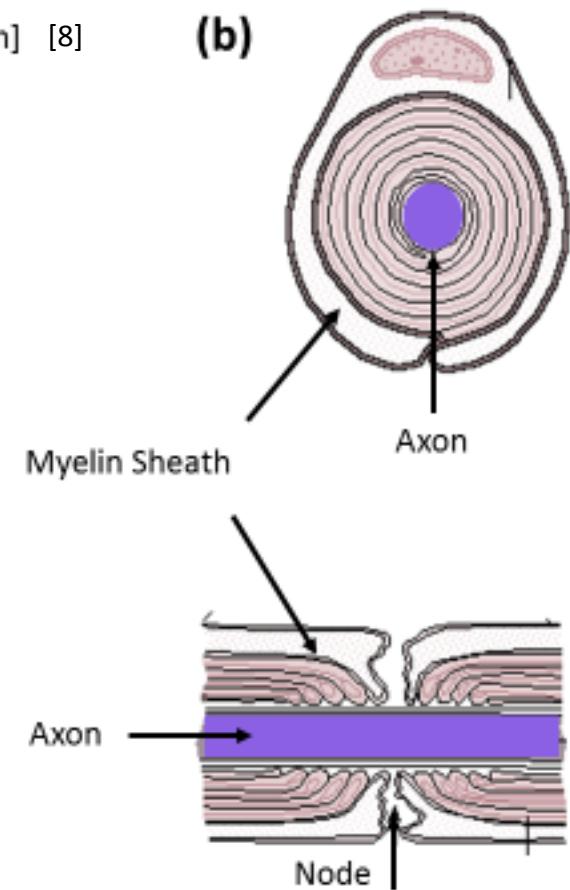
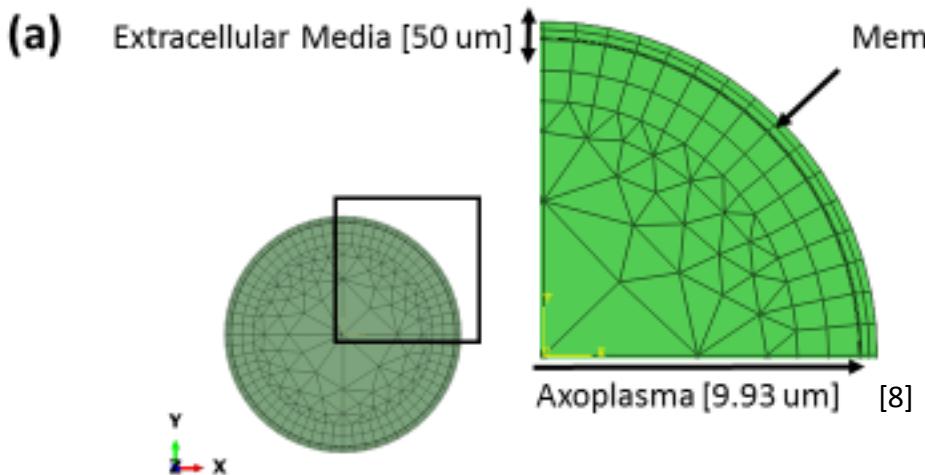


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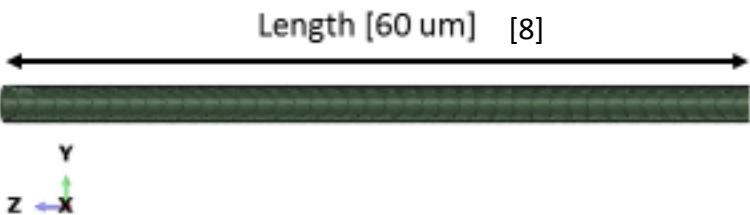
## ✓ Boundary Conditions [3],[8]

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x_0, t) = 0 \\ V(x_L, t) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(y_0, t) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(y_L, t) = 0 \end{cases}$$



## ✓ Load

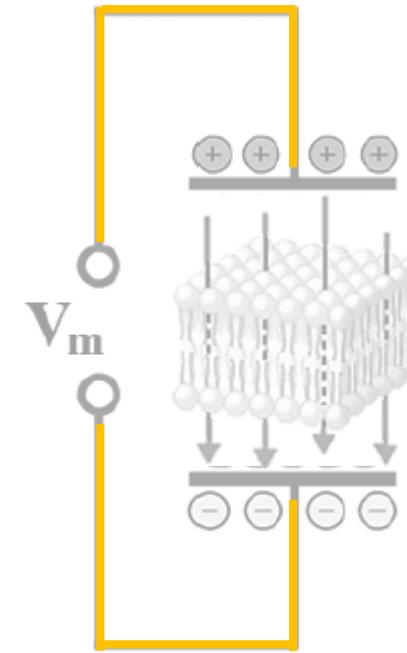
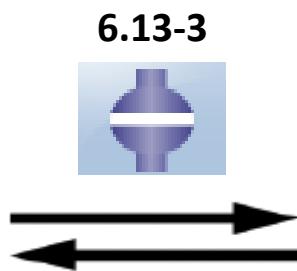
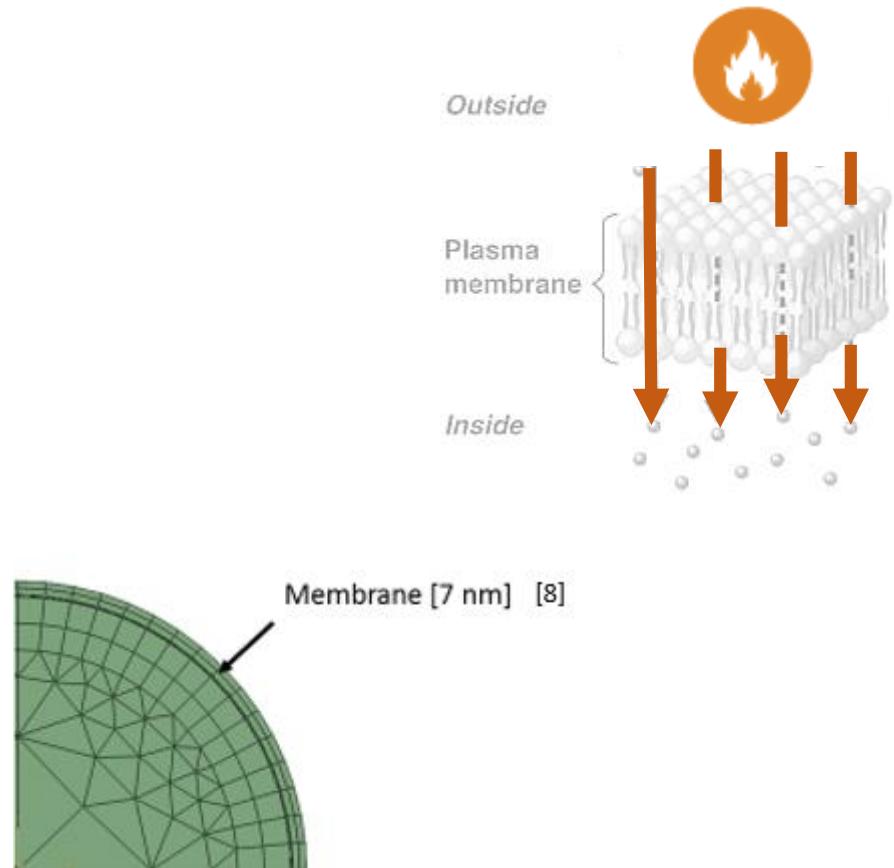
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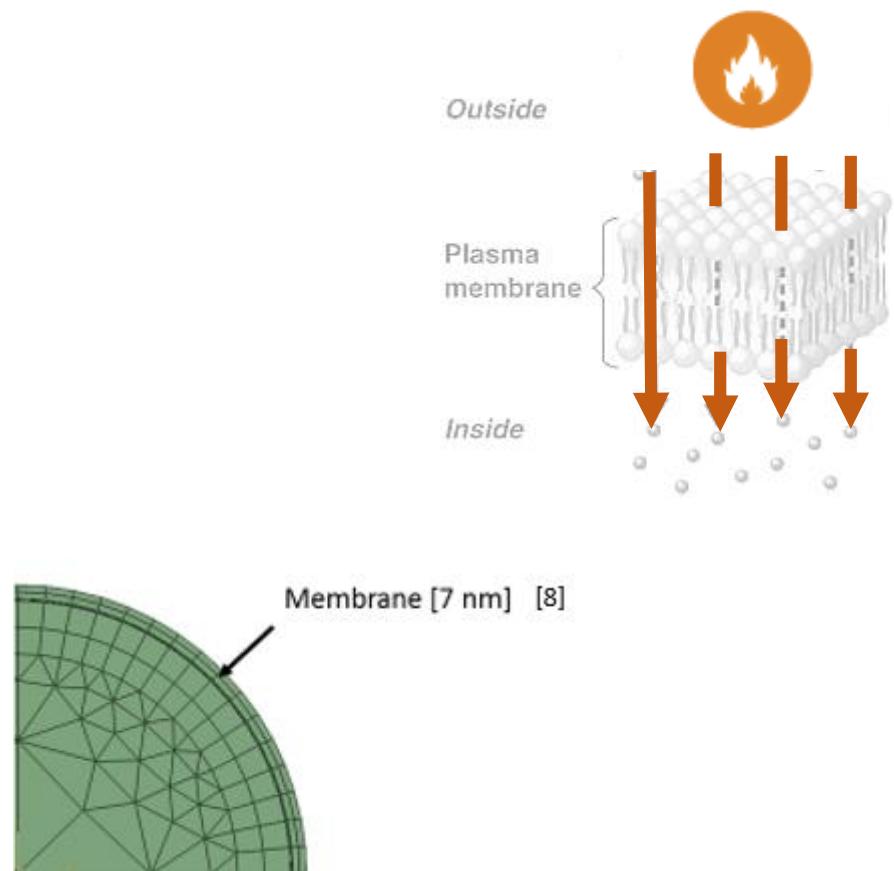
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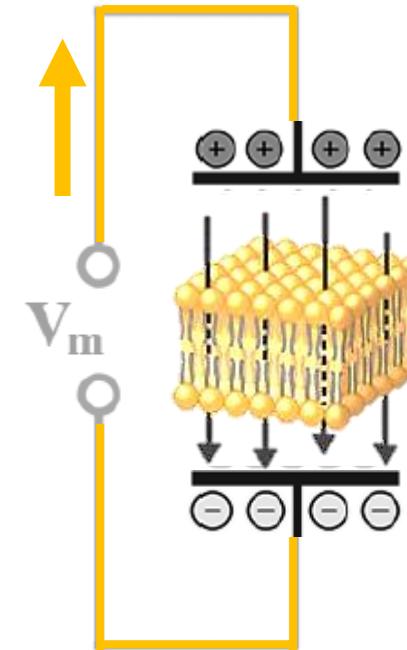
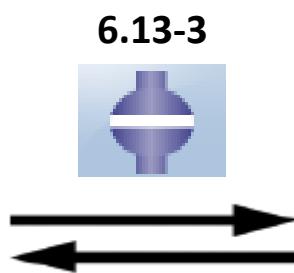
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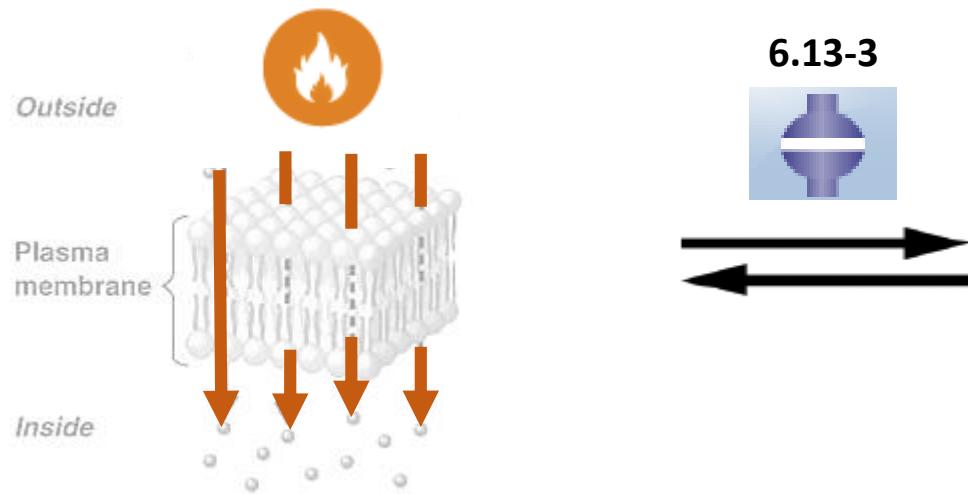


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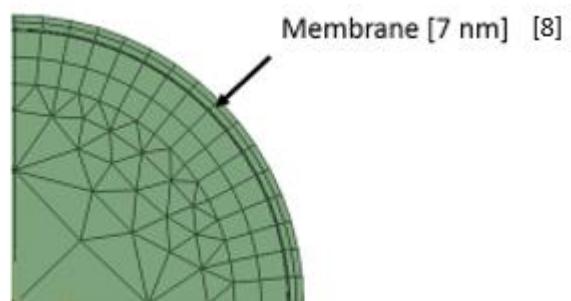


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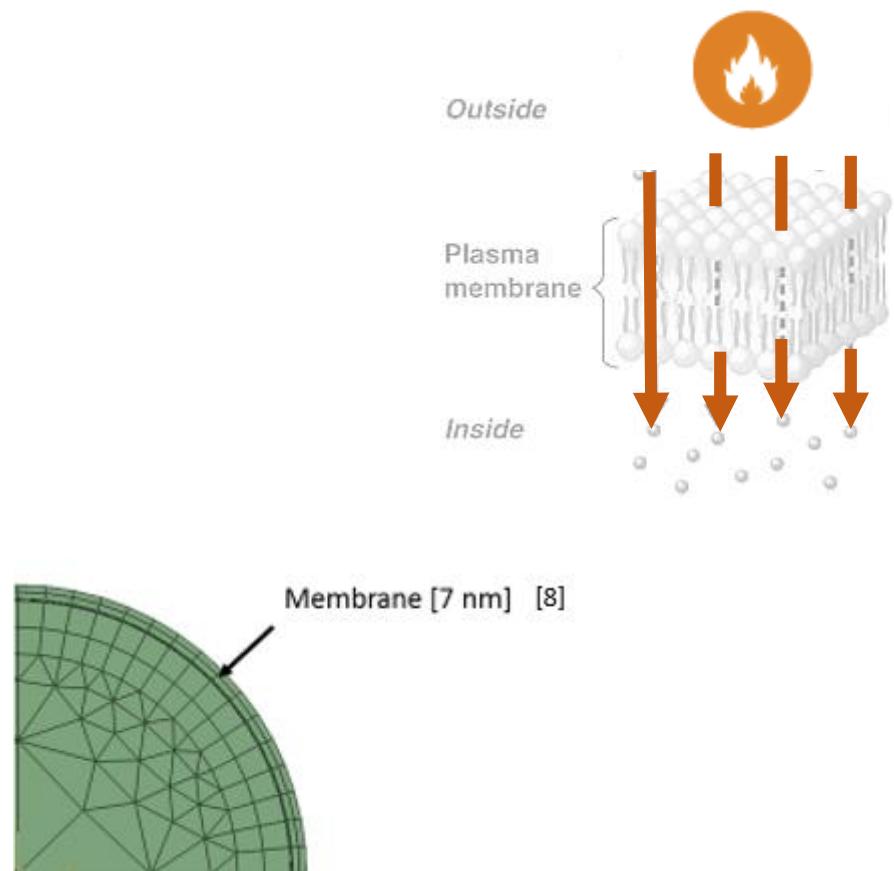




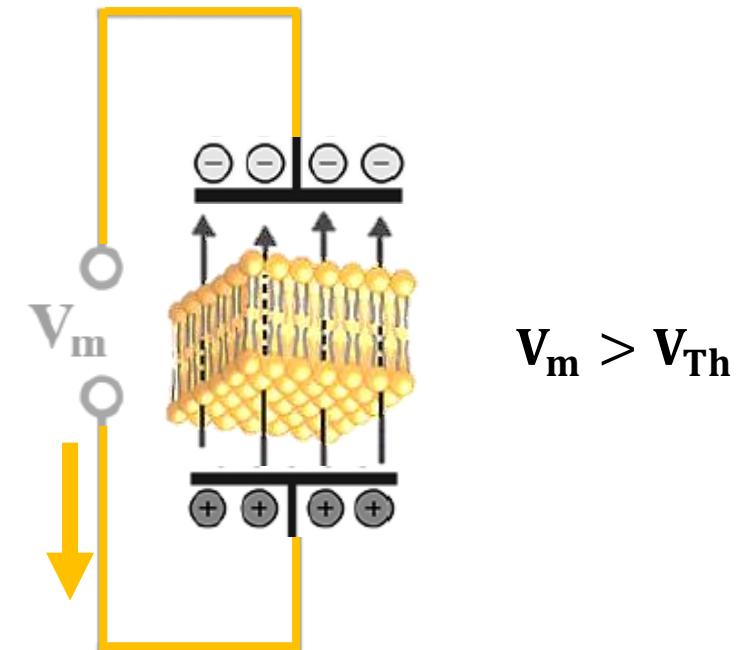
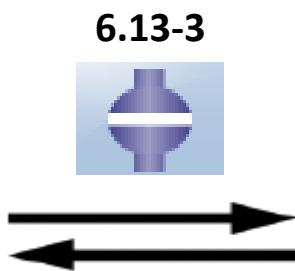
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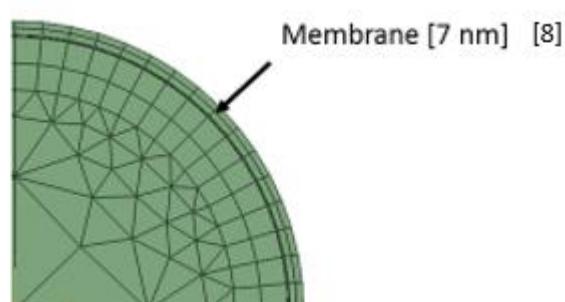
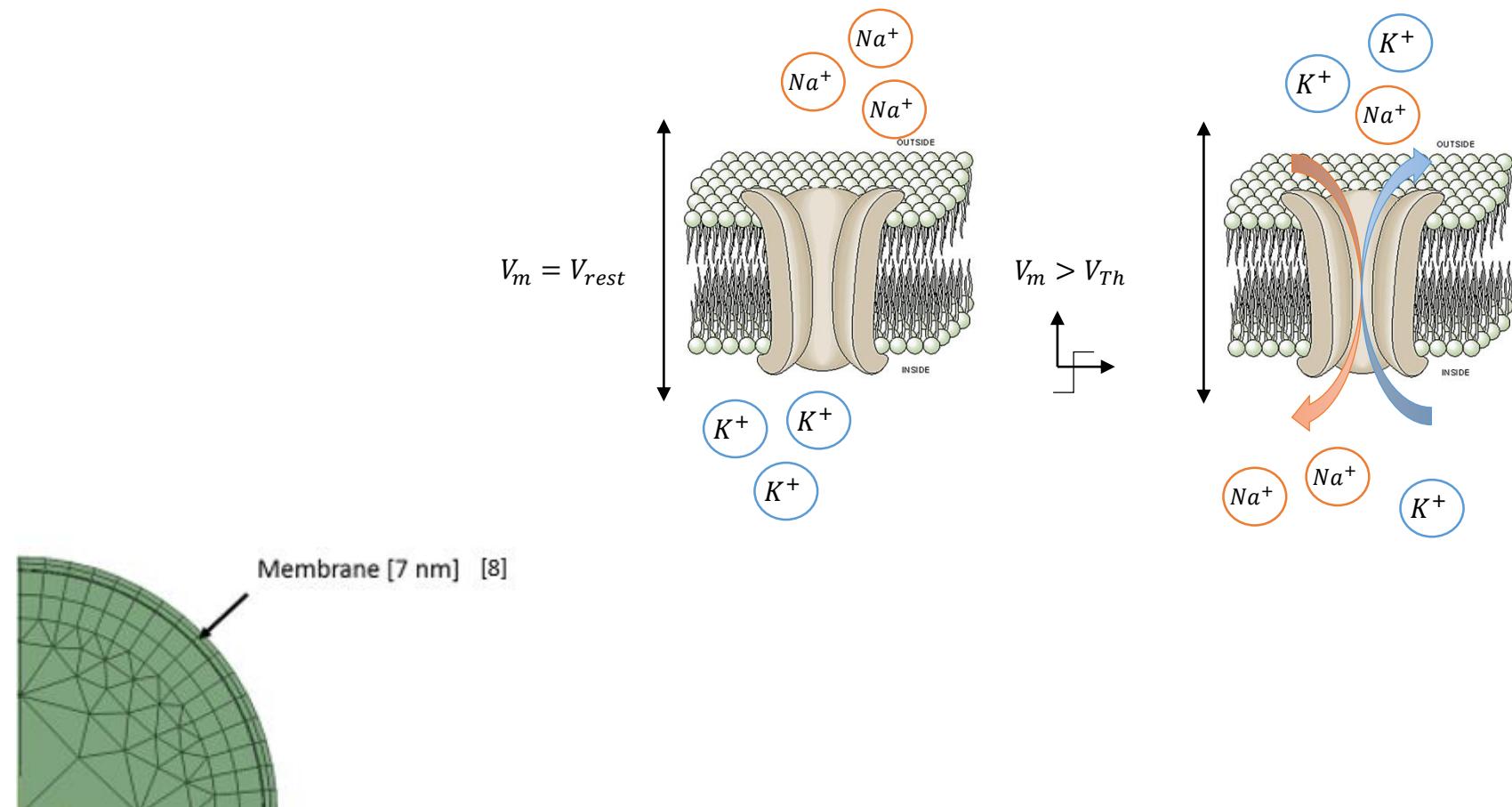


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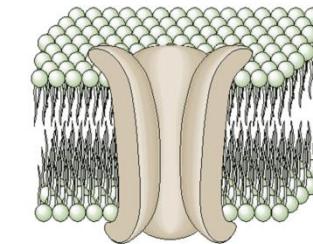
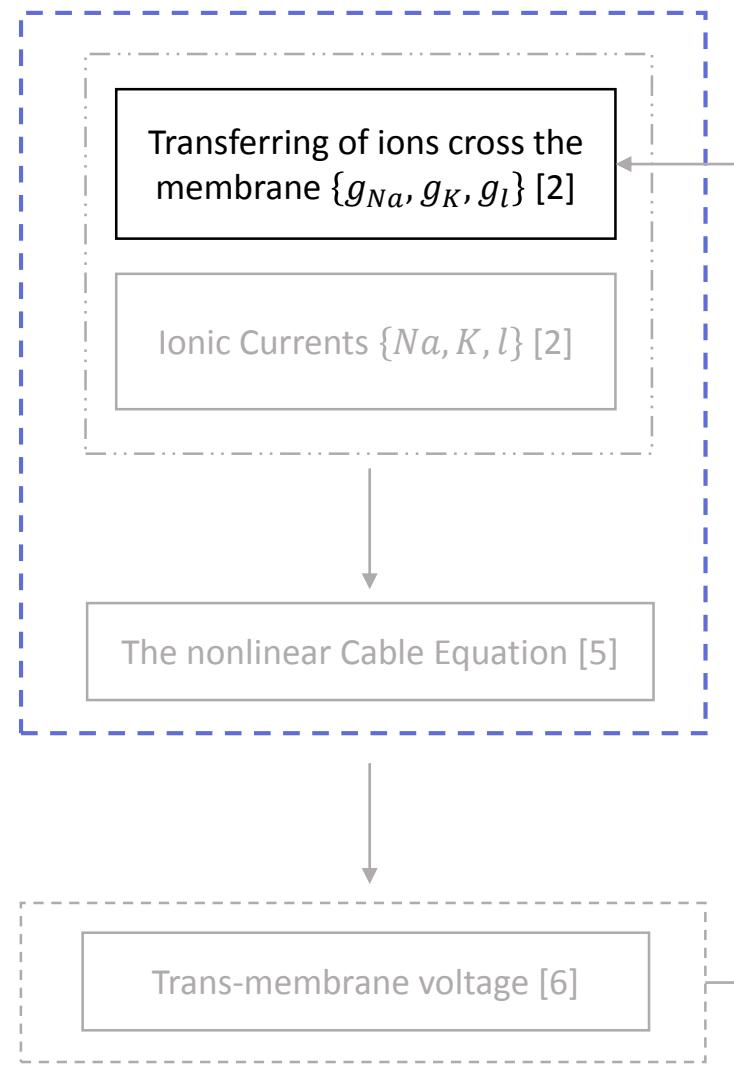
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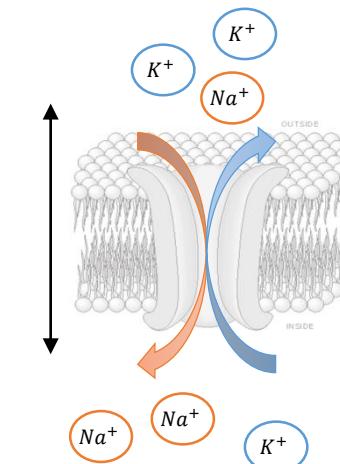


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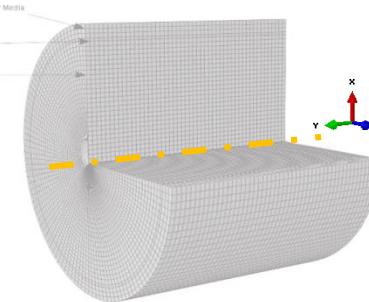
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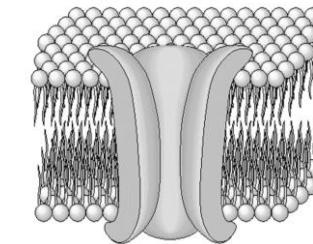
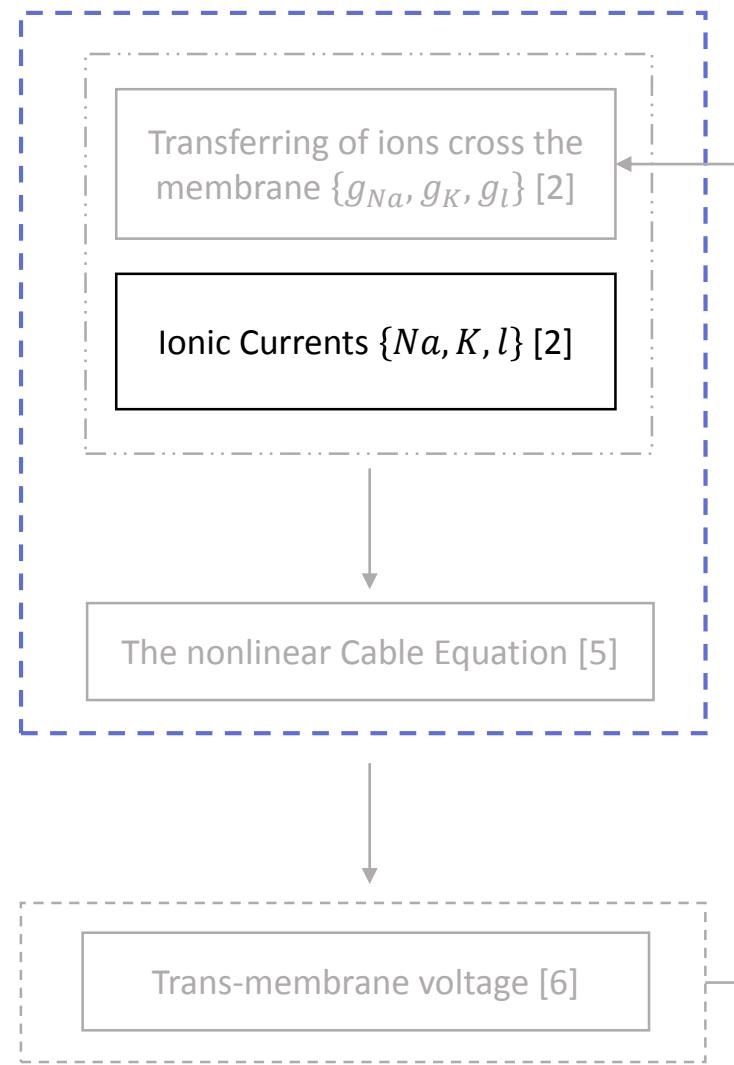
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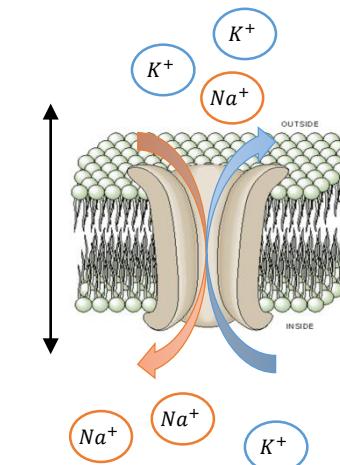
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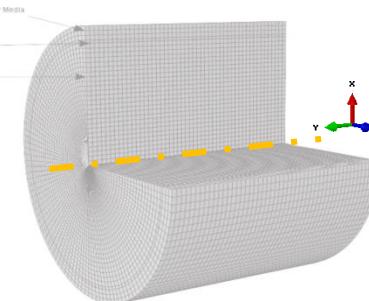
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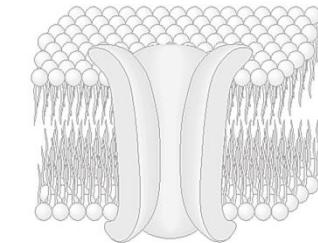
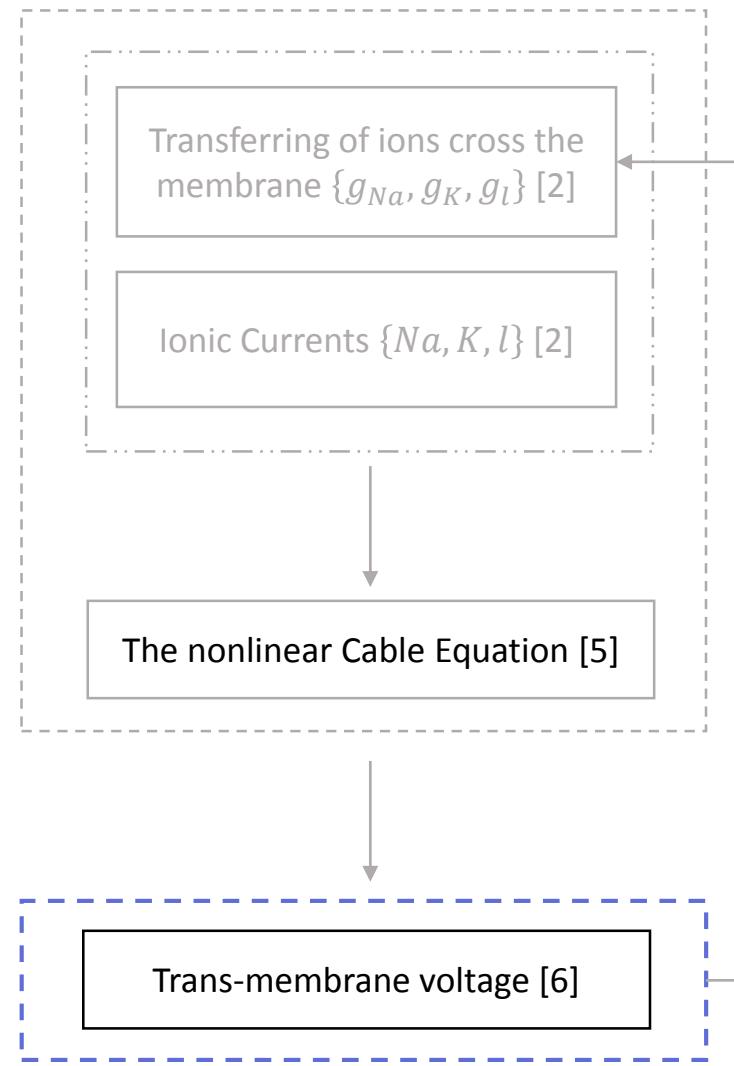
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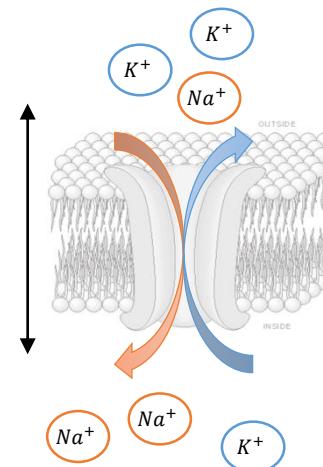
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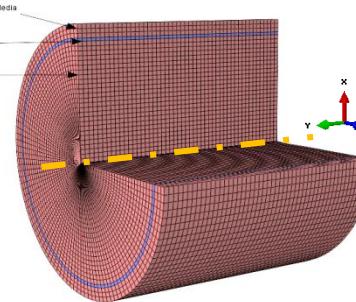
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Analytical Solution with voltage boundary condition [8],[9]

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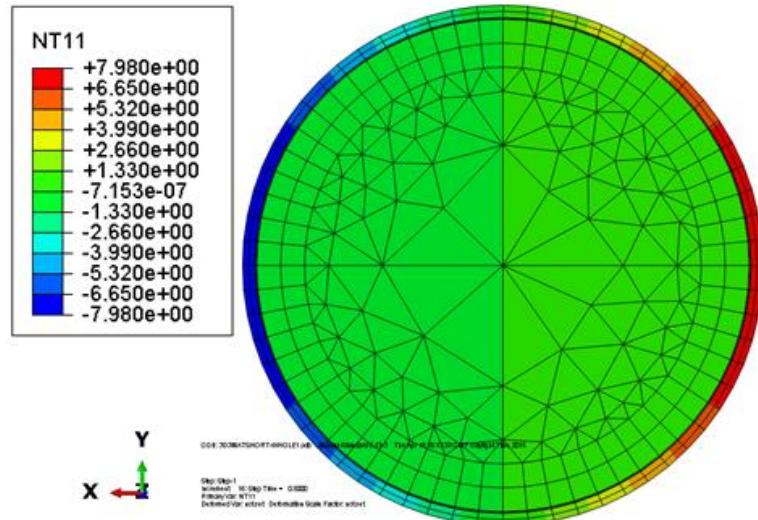
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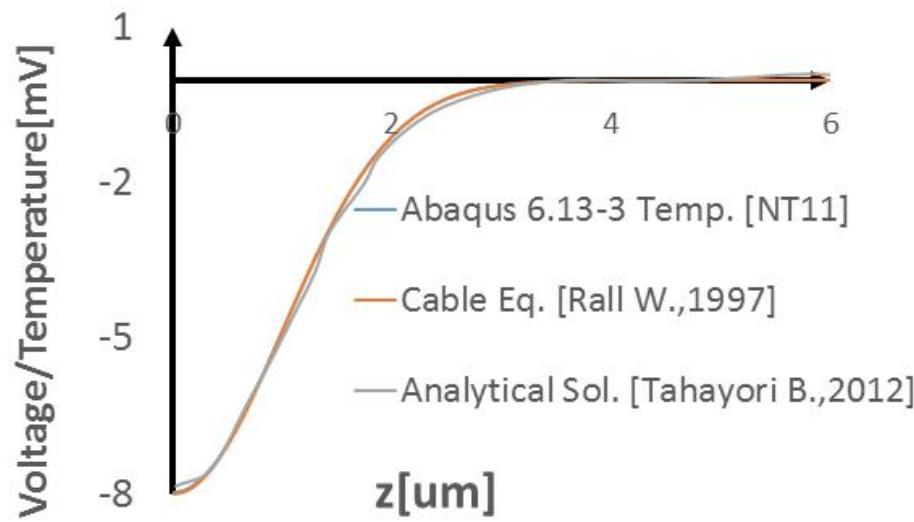
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(a)



(c)



[9] Tahayori, B., (2012).

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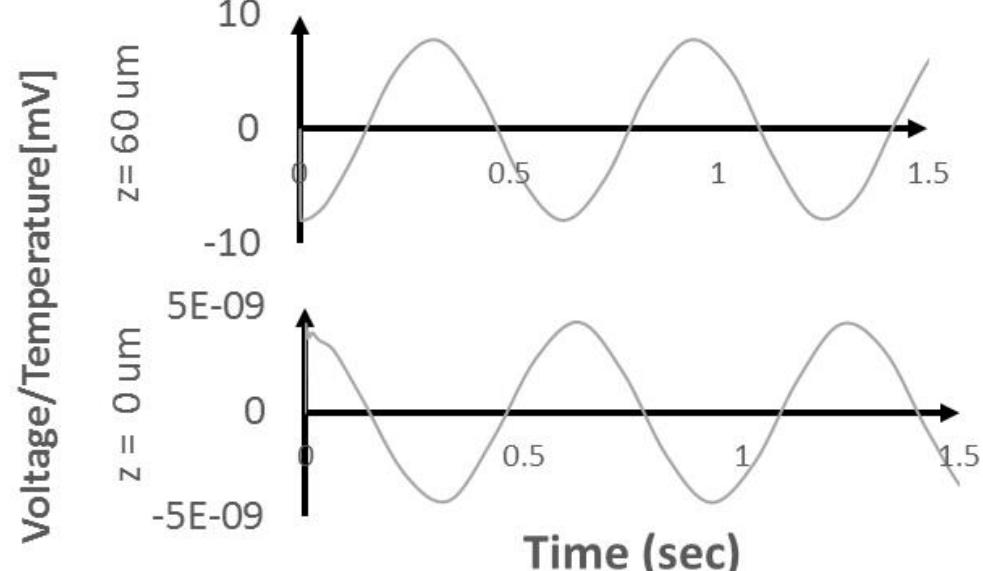
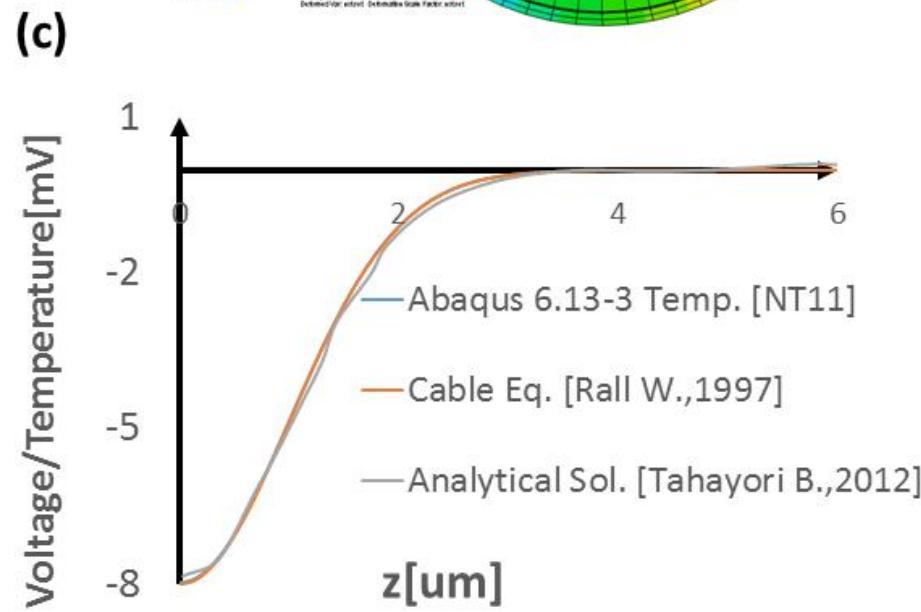
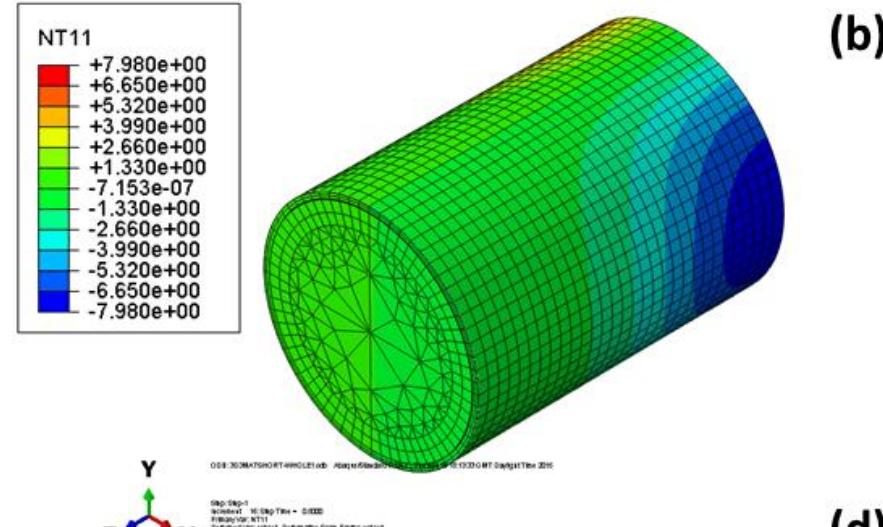
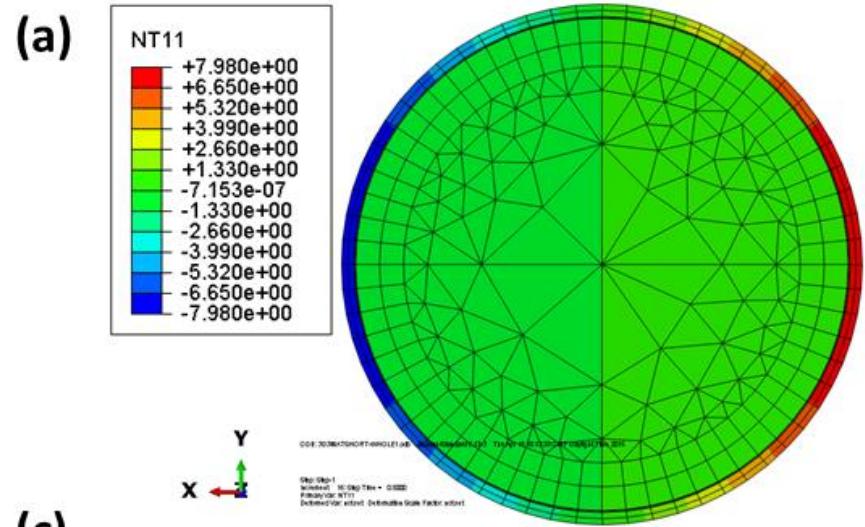
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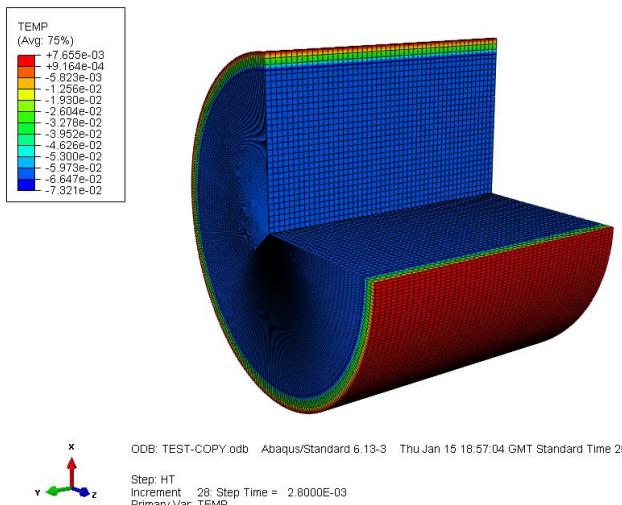
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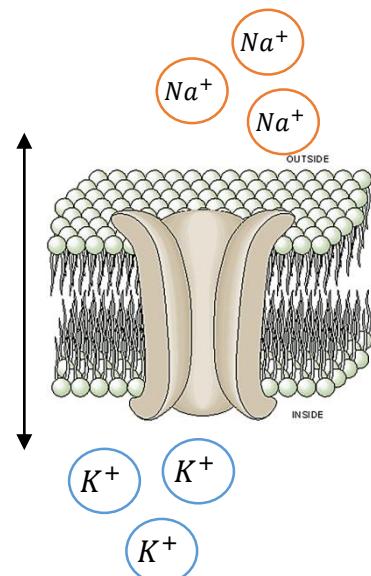
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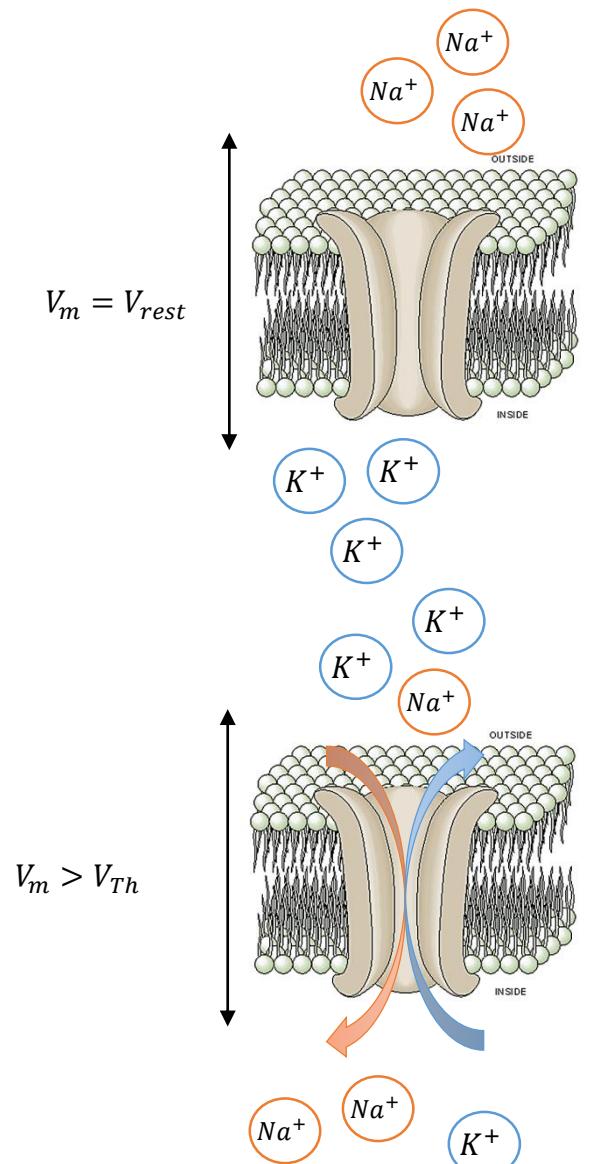
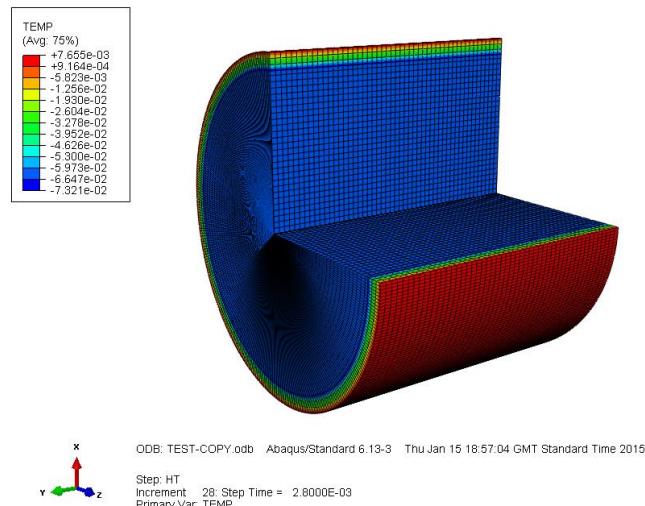
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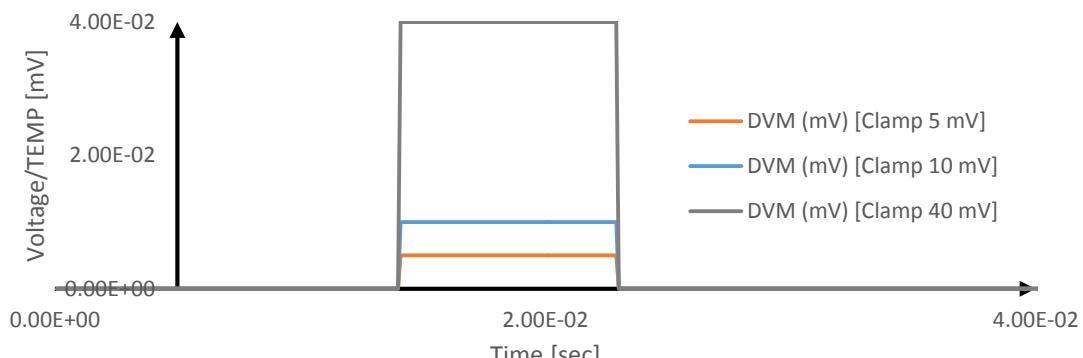
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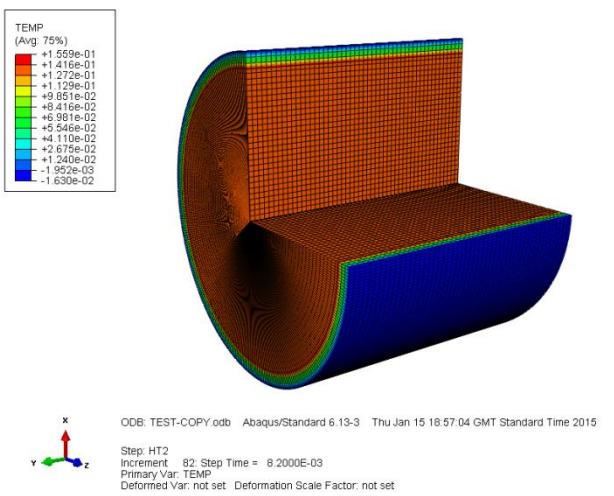
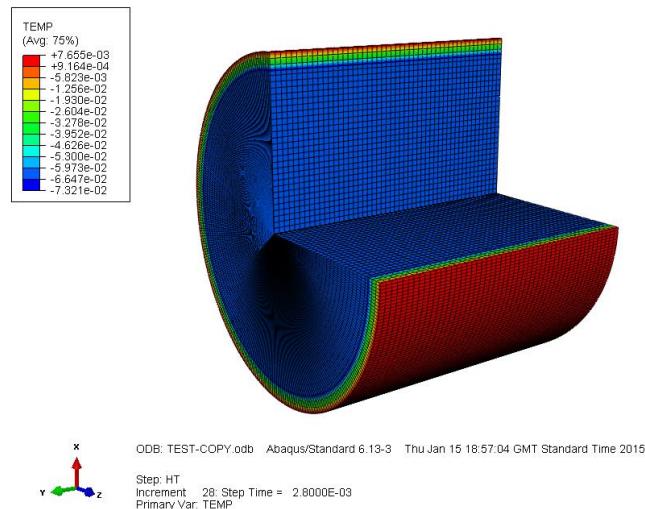


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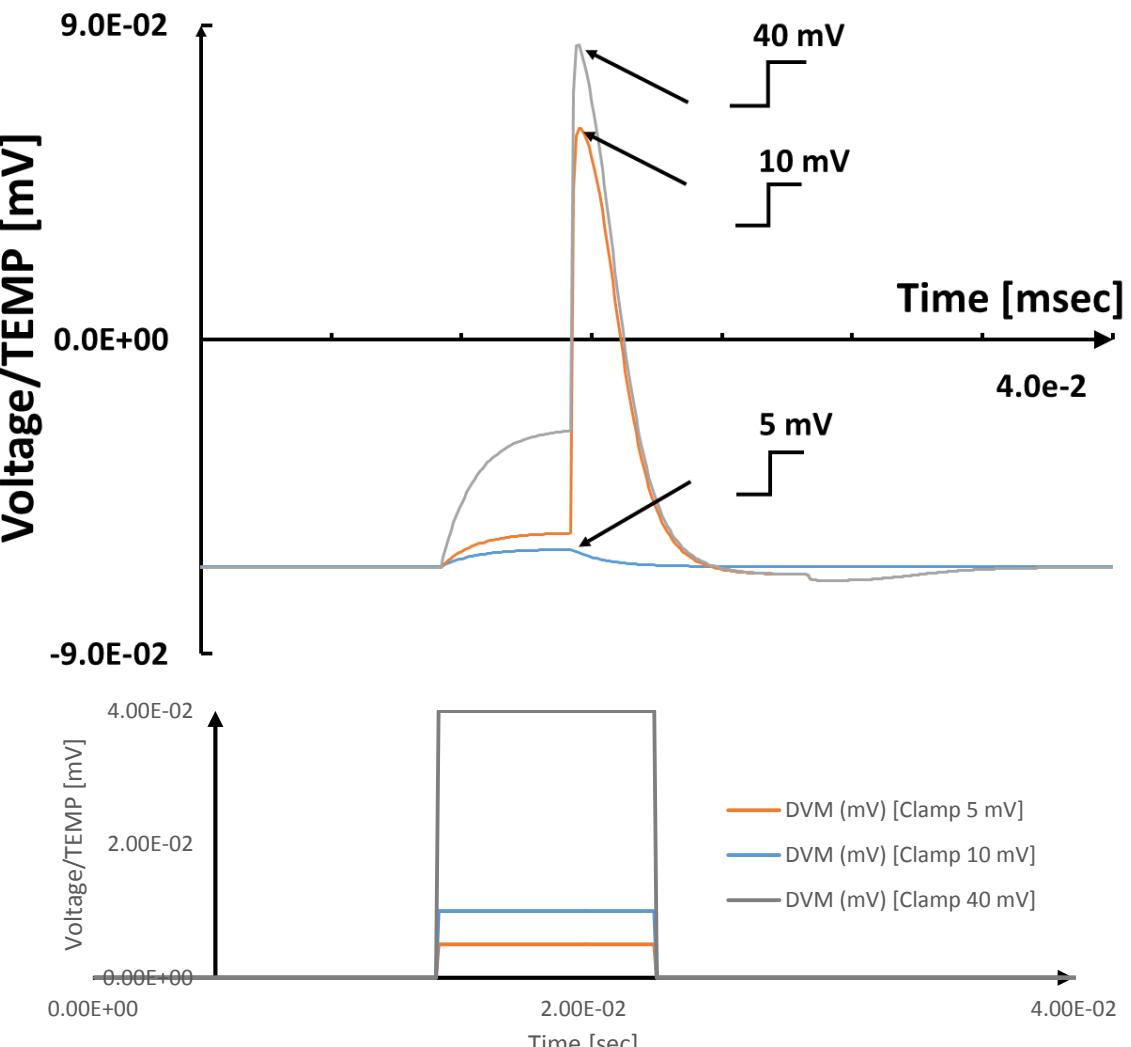
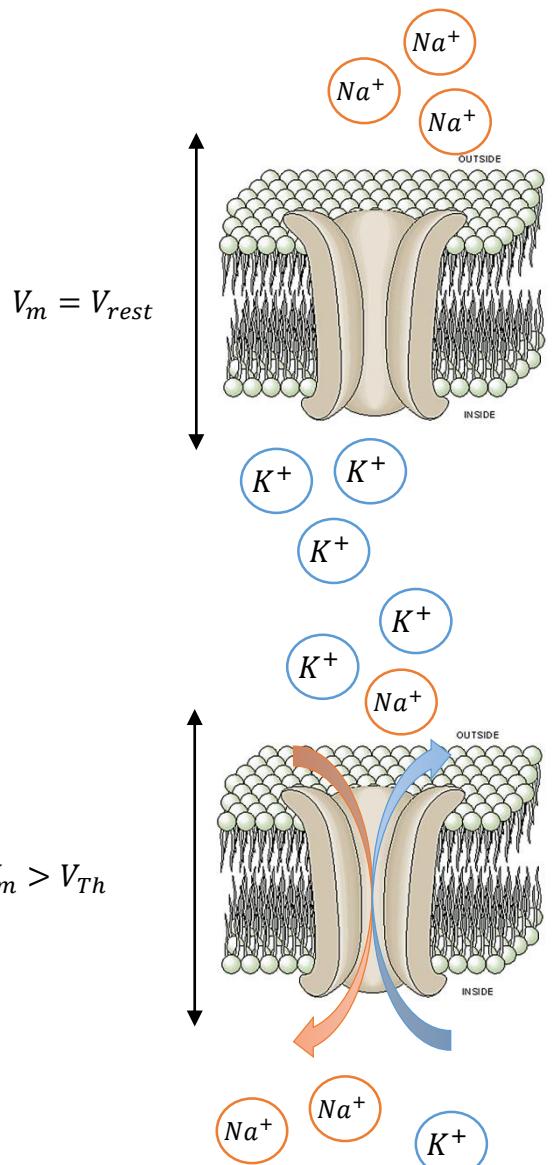
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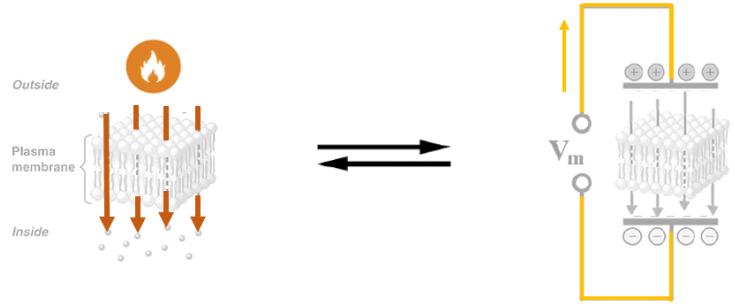
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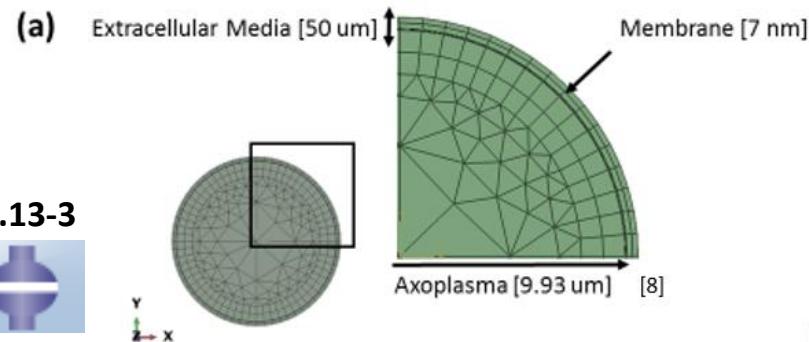
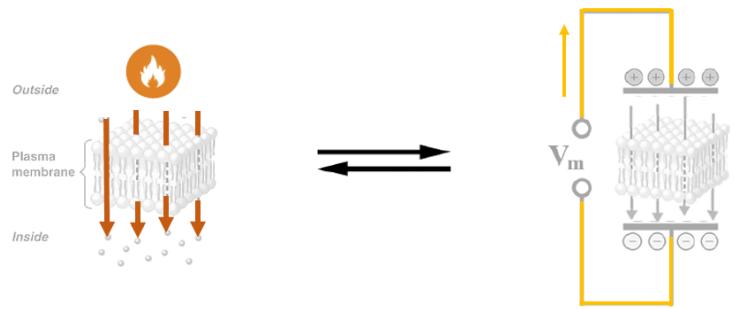
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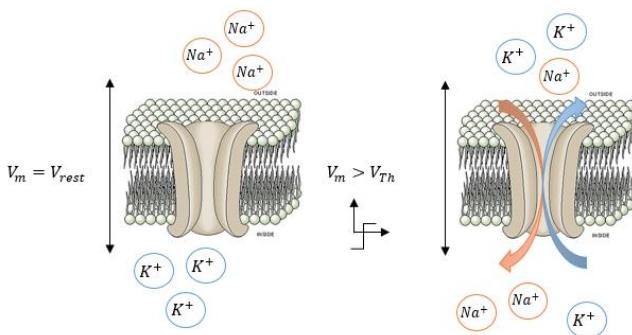
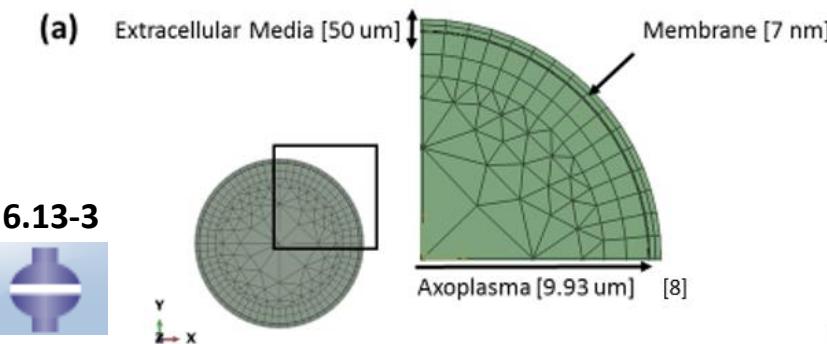
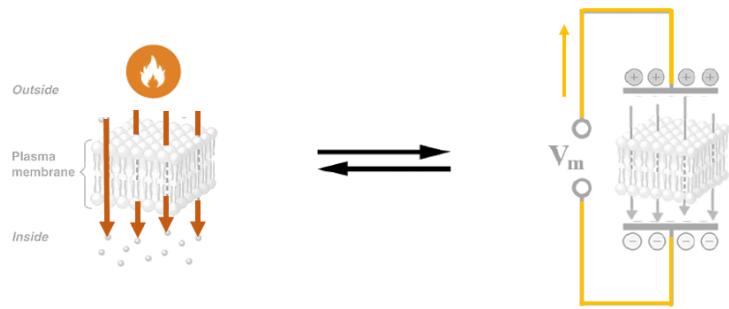


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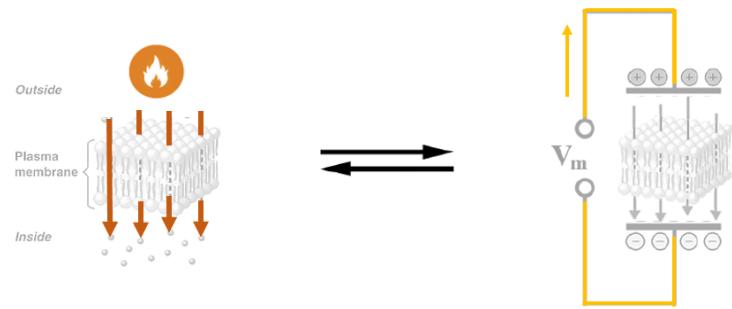
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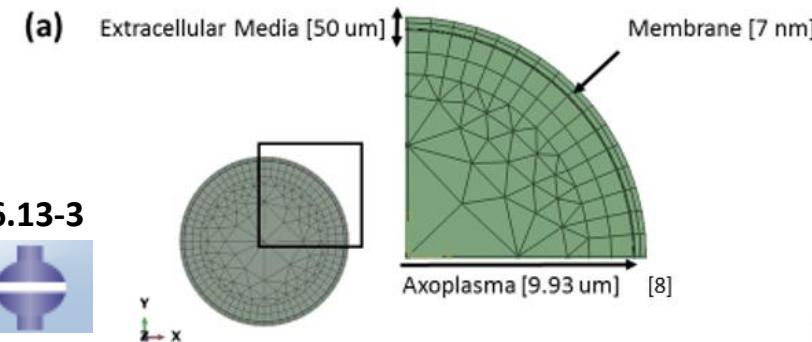
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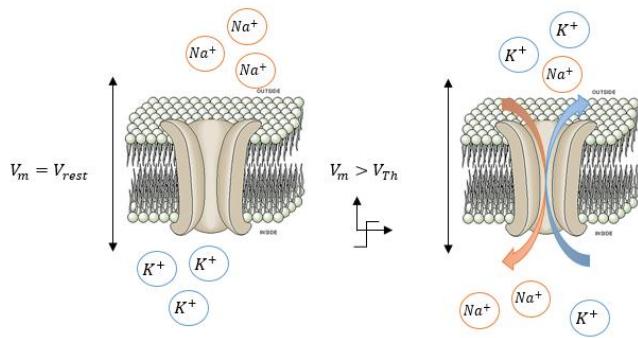
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## Applications



- Cardiac cells;
- General diffusion processes;
- Piezoelectric materials;
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