

Numerical analytical code development at Karlsruhe Institute of Technology KIT

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INTRODUCTION

History of Nuclear Research in Karlsruhe

1956: Reactor Construction and Operating Company mbH
Nuclear Research Center Karlsruhe



1995: Research Center Karlsruhe



2009: Karlsruhe Institute for Technology after merger with University



1956



2013

- 1961: Research reactor FR2
44 MW_{th}, operation until 1981
- 1965: Multipurpose research
reactor MZFR, 58 MW_e,
operation until 1984
- 1971: Compact sodium-
cooled nuclear reactor plant
Karlsruhe (KNK) 21 MW_e,
operation KNK2 until 1991
- 1971: Reprocessing plant
WAK for 35 t/a, operation
until 1990

Japanese experts visit the
Hydrogen Test Center HYKA

Merger of the University Karlsruhe

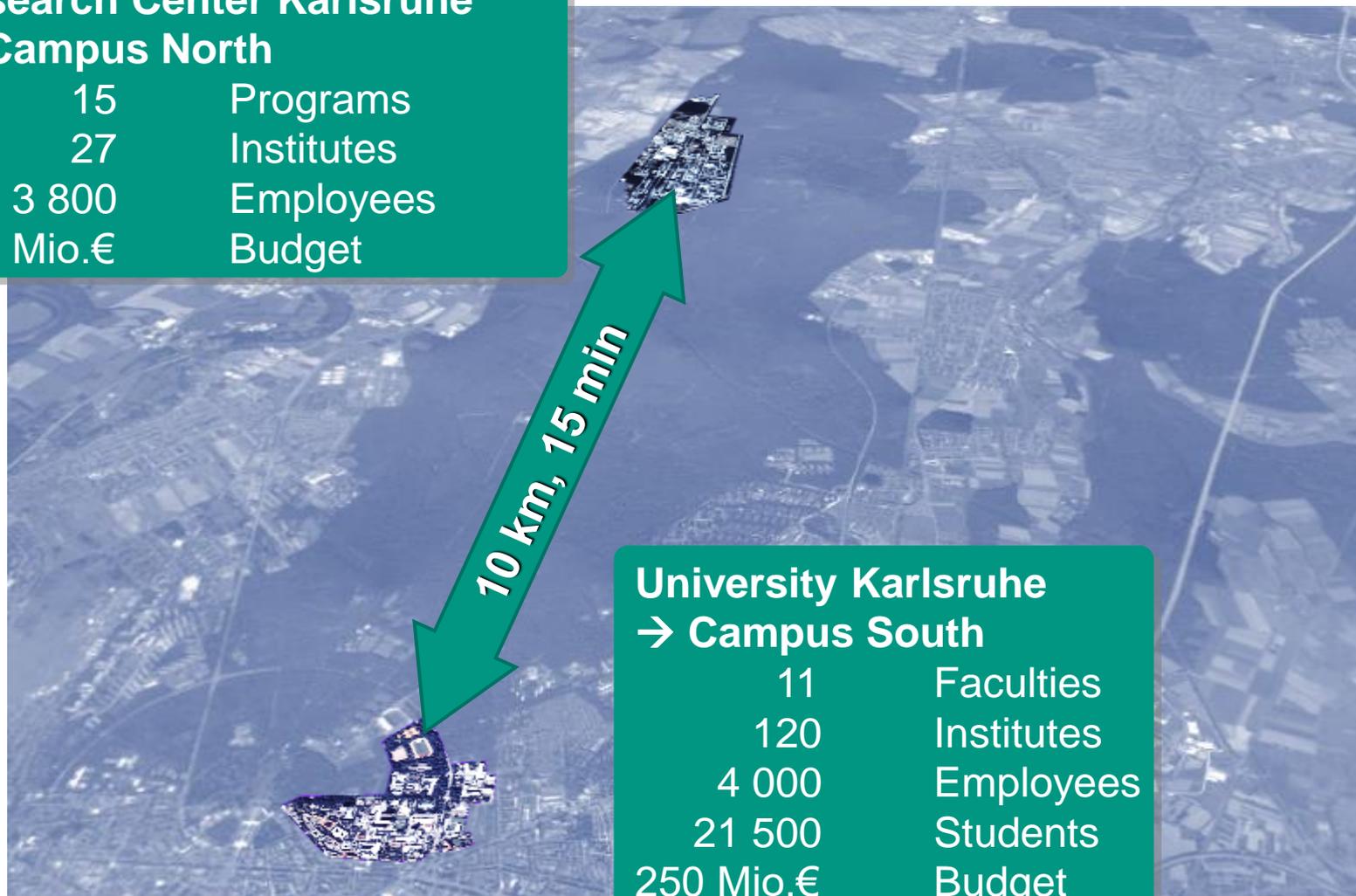
with the Research Center Karlsruhe in 2009 →



Research Center Karlsruhe

→ Campus North

15	Programs
27	Institutes
3 800	Employees
305 Mio.€	Budget



10 km, 15 min

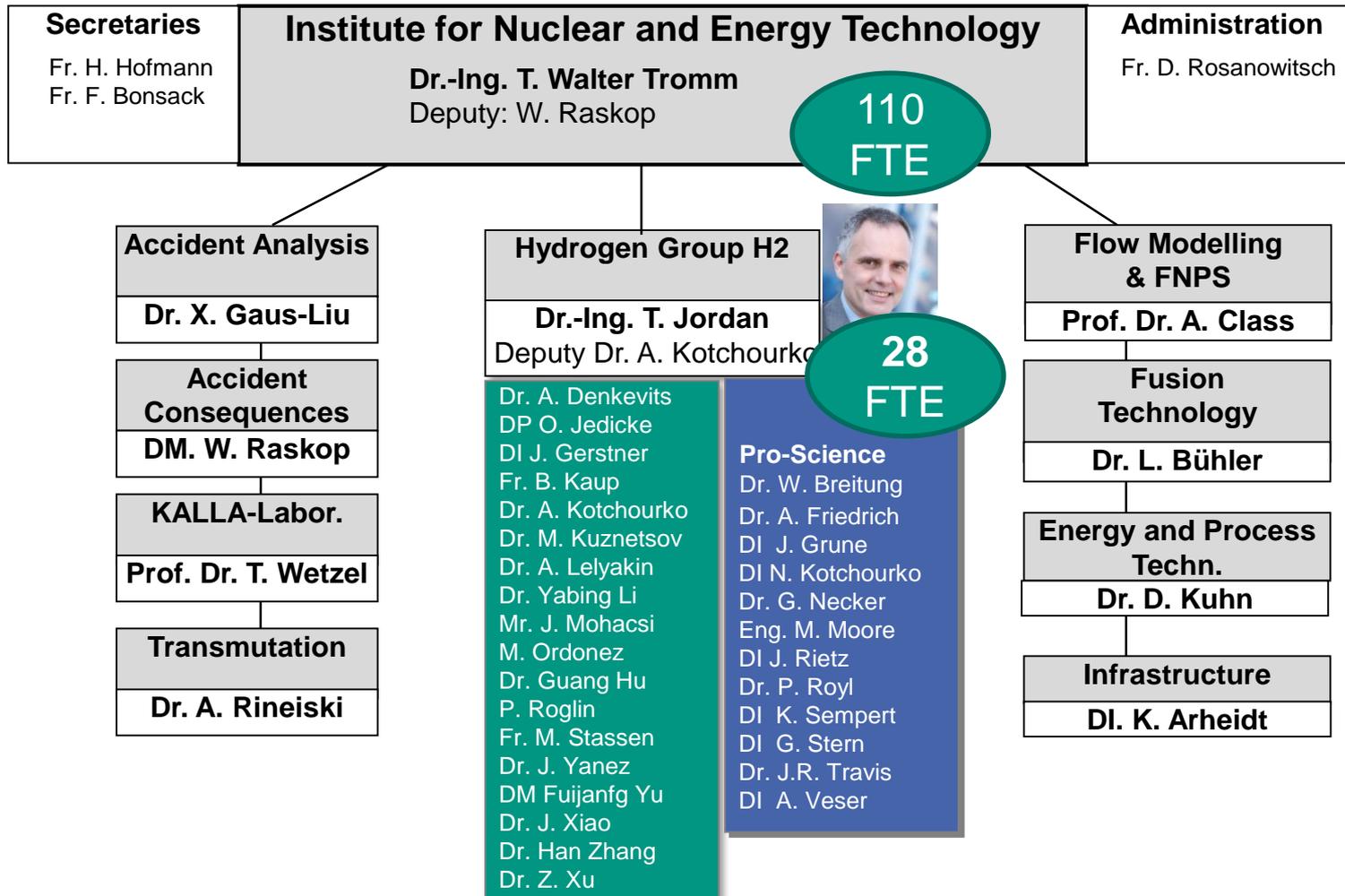
University Karlsruhe

→ Campus South

11	Faculties
120	Institutes
4 000	Employees
21 500	Students
250 Mio.€	Budget

Institute for Nuclear and Energy Technology (IKET)

Hydrogen Group



Methods and Tools for Hydrogen Safety

Safety of Flammable Gases, Dusts and Hybrid Mixtures

Theory –
Analytical Tools

GASFLOW-MPI
COM3D

design

Experiments

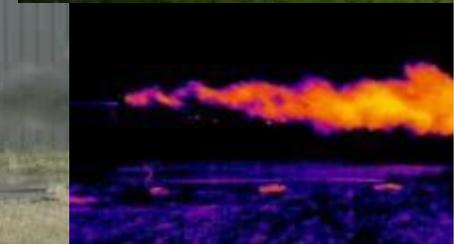
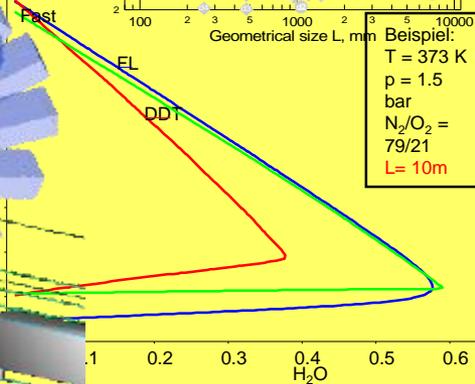
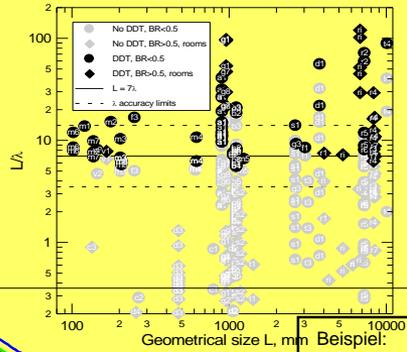
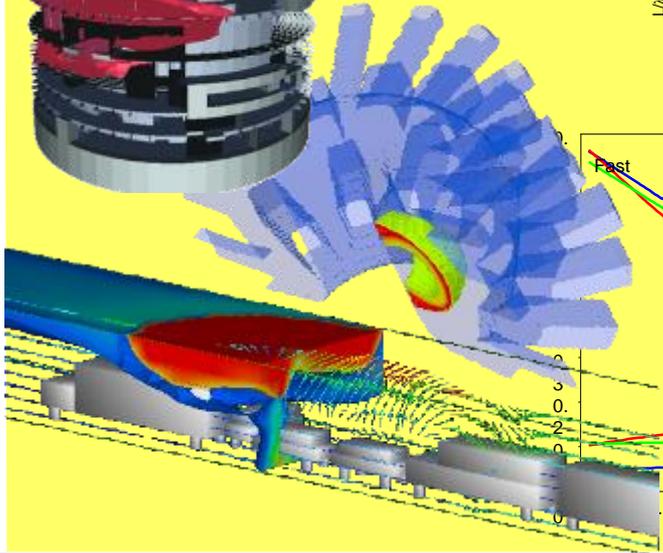
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Hydrogen
Test Center

implement

Models –

Engineering Correlations
GP-CODE

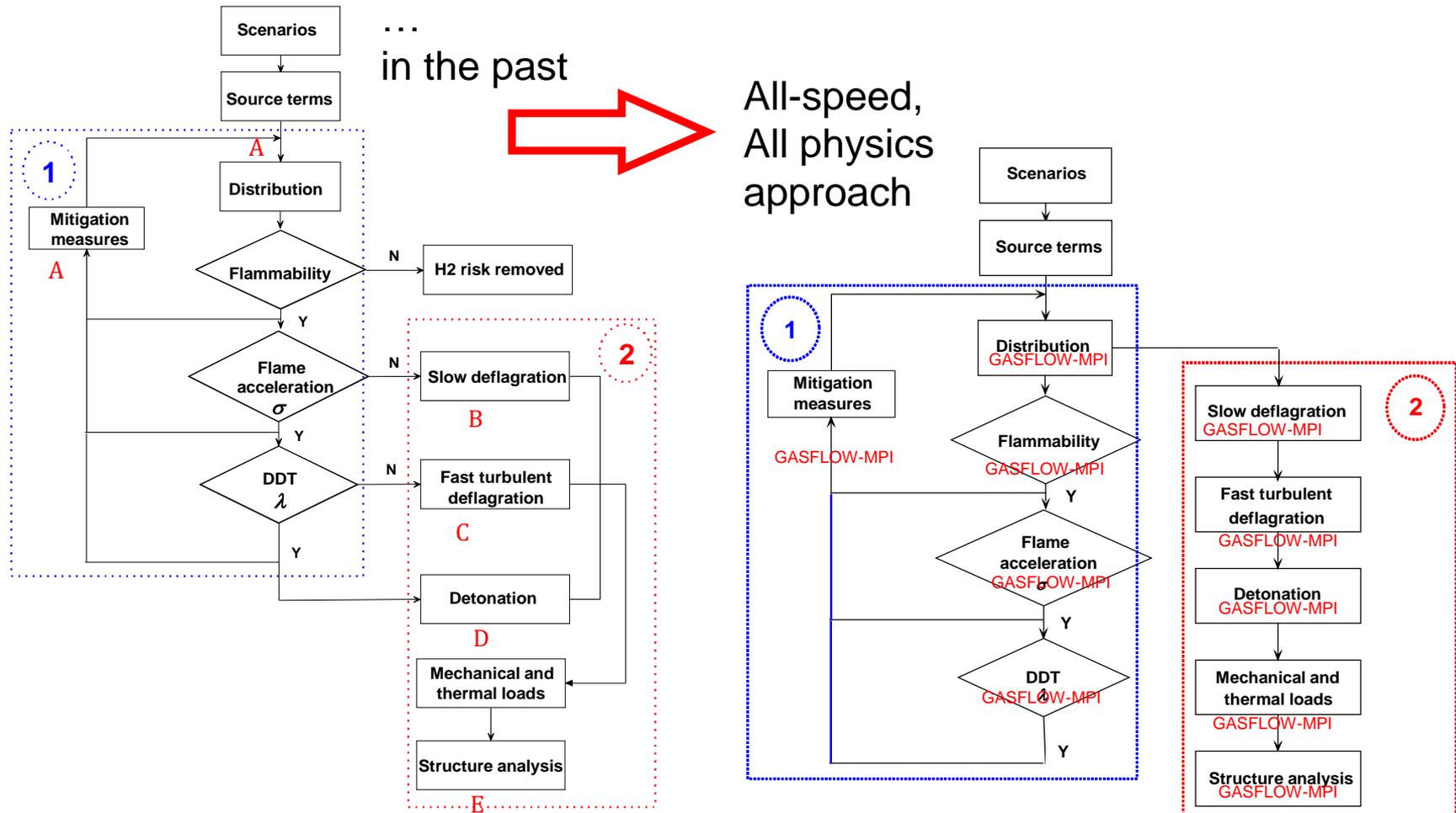


State-of-the-Art Containment Safety Code

GASFLOW-MPI

GASFLOW-MPI: “One-Stop-Shopping” All-speed CFD code for Hydrogen Safety Analysis

Simulate flows at broad Mach number regimes with one all-speed numerical solver



GASFLOW-MPI: Features I/II

❖ Flexible geometrical modeling capability

Obstacles

Walls and
rupture discs

Holes

Fractional Area/Volume Object
Representation (FAVOR)

Geometric
modeler

❖ Flexible structured mesh capability

Cartesian

Cylindrical

Non-uniform
mesh

Multi-block

Immersed
boundary

❖ Flexible boundary conditions

Global BC

PBC, VBC,
MBC, CBC

Periodic boundary
condition

Absorbing
boundary condition

❖ Proven technology of solving N-S equations and accurate numerics

ICE'd ALE

1st order
upwind

2nd order
Van Leer

Higher order
schemes

❖ Cutting-edge, scalable and powerful high performance computing capabilities

PETSc

Third-party pre-conditioners
and solvers

available

Under
development

plan

GASFLOW-MPI: Features II/III

❖ Turbulence modelling

Algebraic

κ - ϵ

κ - ω and SST κ - ω

DES

LES

❖ Heat and mass transfer, radiation model

Conjugate
heat transfer

1-D heat conduction
(slab, wall, sink)

Radiation
model

3-D heat conduction
(slab, wall, sink)

❖ Multiphase flow

Homogeneous
equilibrium model

Lagrangian Discrete
multiphase model

Eulerian multiphase
model

❖ Combustion models

Eddy
break-up

Eddy
dissipation

Arrhenius for
detonation

Various correlations for
turbulent flame velocity

❖ Material properties

25 Gas
species

20 solid
materials

Porous
media

available

Under
development

plan

❖ Unique features for large scale industrial applications

Simplified pipe model

Ignitor model

Recombiner model

Sump model

Fan model

Pre-expansion model

Static film model

Spray model based on HEM

Xenon decay model

Sigma and DDT criteria for H2 explosion risk analysis

Aerosol model

Lagrangian dust transportation

Spray model based on Eulerian Multiphase model

Dynamic film model

Dust modeling based on Discrete Multiphase model

Spray model based on Discrete Multiphase model

❖ Pre-processor, Post-processor and data export

pyscan

netcdf4

Data format to Third-party post-processing tools

Automatic mesh generation via CAD import

GASFLOW-MPI: Some Validation References



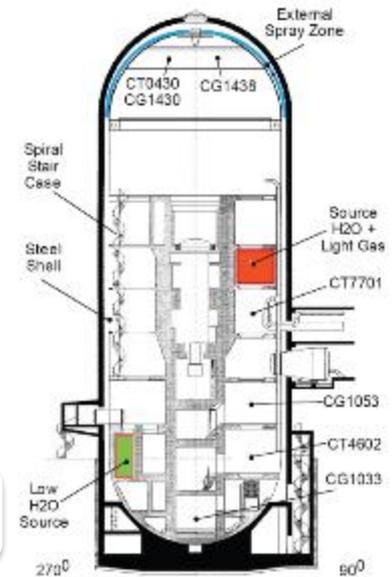
GASFLOW
validation library



HYKA (Germany)



PANDA (Switzerland)

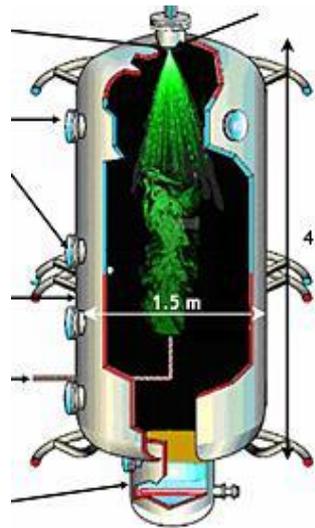


Cut through HDR containment with setup for HDR test E11.2

HDR (Germany)



MISTRA (France)



TOSQAN (France)



THAI (Germany)



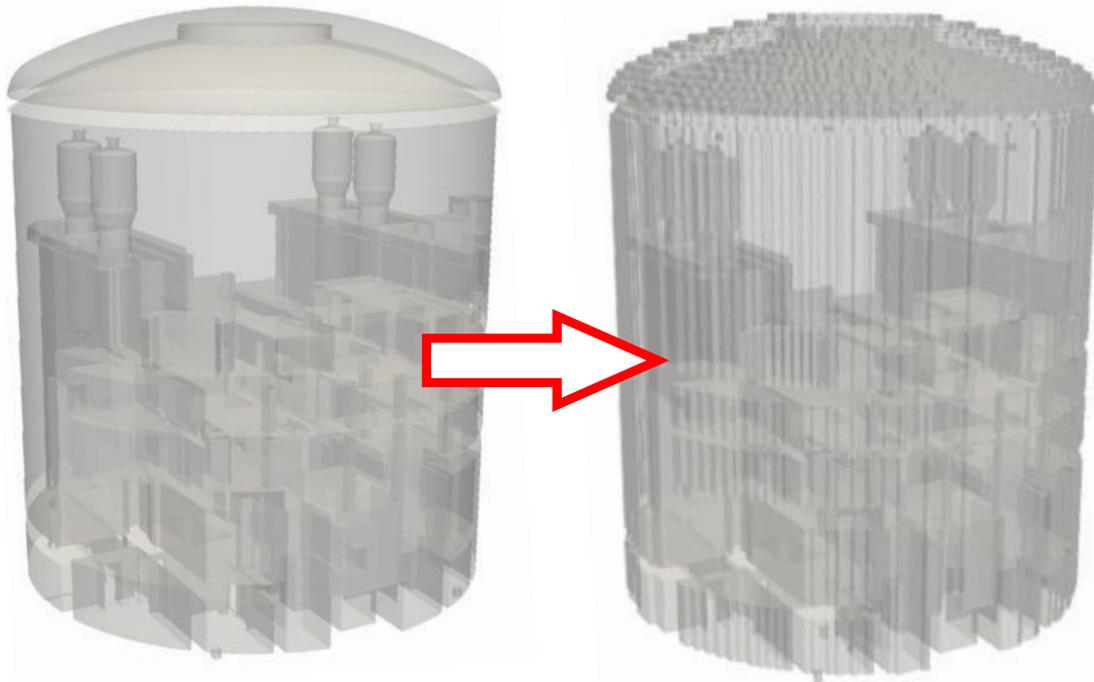
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GASFLOW-MPI: Automatic Mesh Generation

Containment Geometry Modelling

- Large volumes ($\sim 100.000 \text{ m}^3$)
- Complex multi-connected inside structure
- Mitigation measures

- ✓ Use of any standard CAD format IGES, STEP, STL,...
- ✓ Selection of spatial resolution
- ✓ Automatic wall, obstacle generation and material association, and optimized discretization

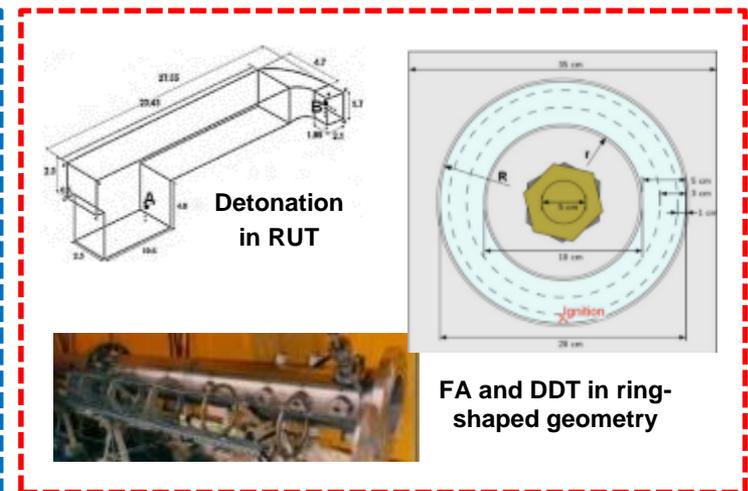
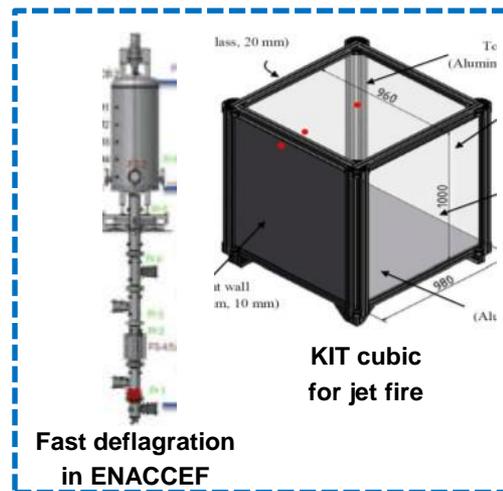
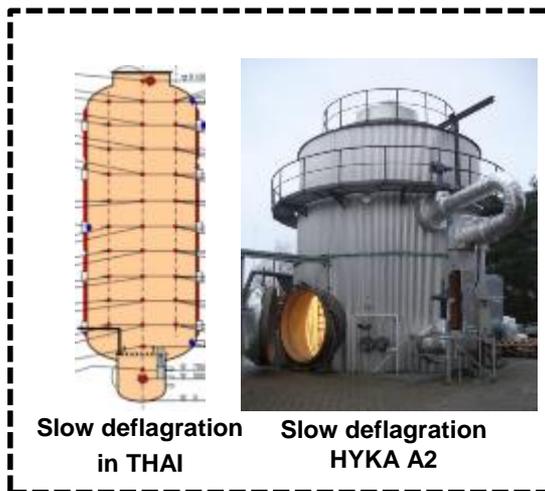


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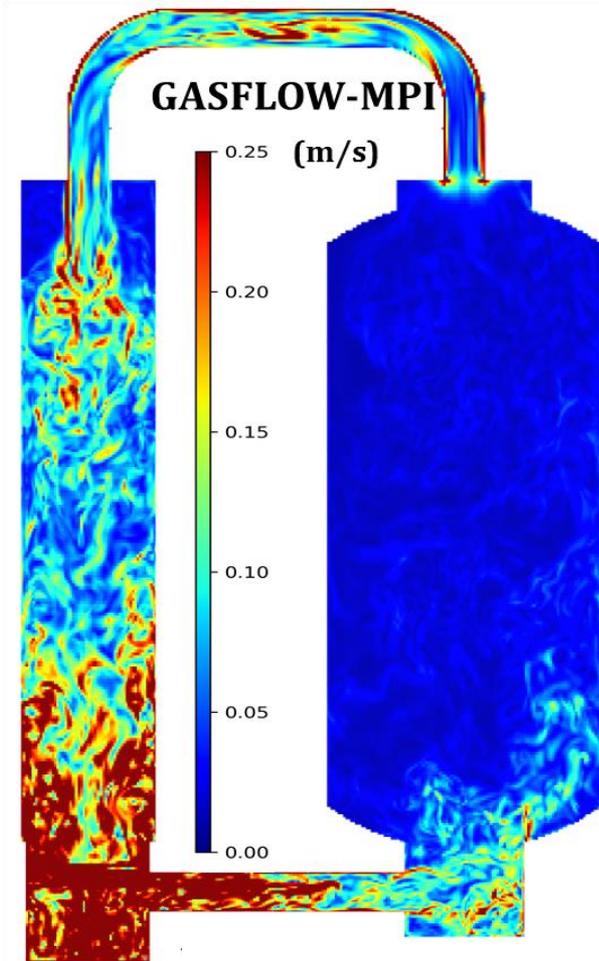
- 37 individual rooms, including RPV, steam generators and pumps
- total free volume of $\sim 48.000 \text{ m}^3$
- Passive Autocatalytic Recombiner equipment
- Ignitor system
- Containment spray system

GASFLOW-MPI: Validation of combustion models

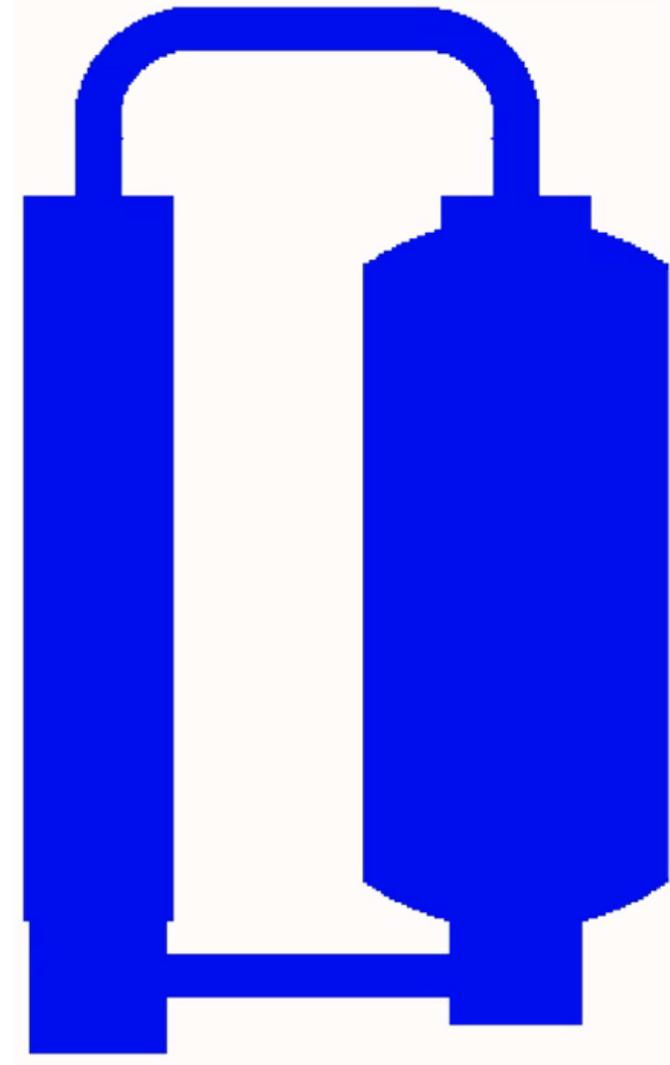
Validation	Facility	Year	Publications
Slow deflagration	THAI HYKA A2	2017 2017	J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov. <i>NURETH-17</i> , September 3 – 8, 2017 J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov.
Fast deflagration	HYKA jet fire ENACCEF	2016 2015	J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov. <i>8th International Seminar on Fire and Explosion Hazards</i> , Hefei, China, April 25-28, 2016 J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov. <i>International Journal of Hydrogen Energy</i> 09/2015; 40(38):13106–13120.
Detonation	KIT Detonation tube RUT Hemi-spherical balloon	2016 2016 2016	J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov. <i>International Journal of Hydrogen Energy</i> March 2017, 42(12): 8346–8368. J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov. <i>International Journal of Hydrogen Energy</i> March 2017, 42(12): 8369–8381. J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov. <i>ICONE 25</i> , July 2-6, 2017, Shanghai, China.
Flame acceleration DDT	KIT Detonation tube KIT Ring geometry	2017 2017	J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov. J. Xiao, M. Kuznetsov.



GASFLOW-MPI: Slow deflagration with heat transfer in THAI-HD44

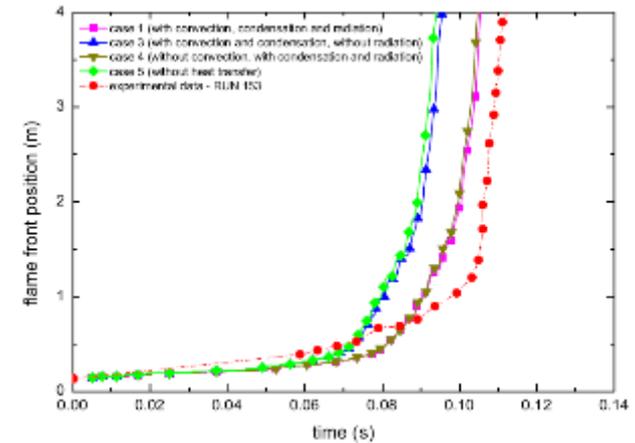
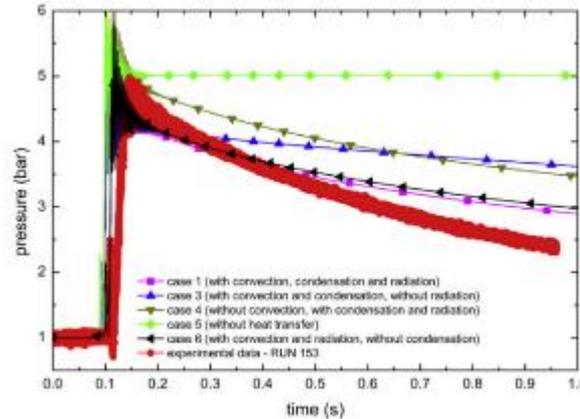
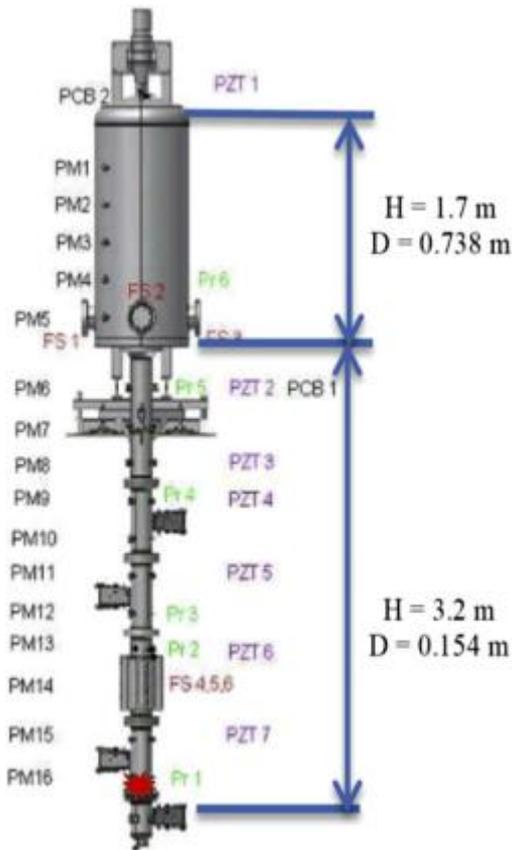


Turbulent velocity fluctuation (u') at 0 s before ignition

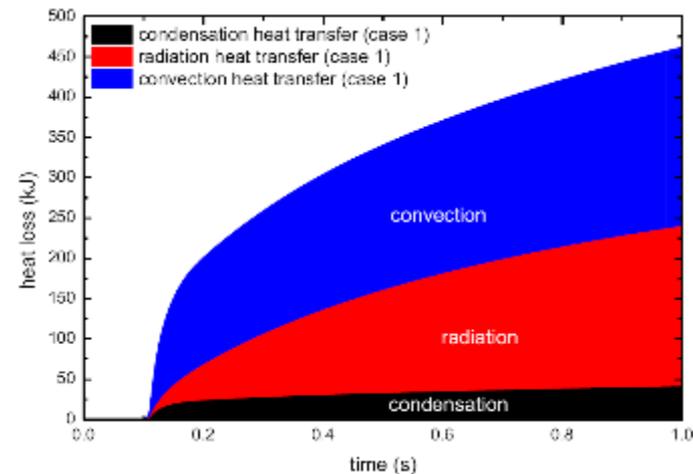


Flame propagation (0 s ~ 15 s)

GASFLOW-MPI: Fast deflagration with heat transfer in ENACCEF



GASFLOW-MPI



J. Xiao, J. R Travis, M. Kuznetsov: "Numerical Investigations of Heat Losses to Confinement Structures from Hydrogen-Air Turbulent Flames in ENACCEF Facility".
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GASFLOW-MPI: Water Film Modelling

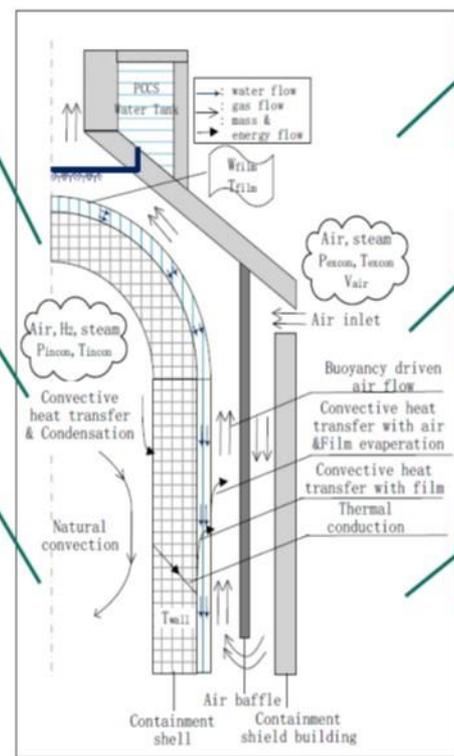
Outer Film Model for Passive Containment Cooling System



Convective heat transfer (forced/natural)

Condensation on surface

Buoyancy induced mixing in gases



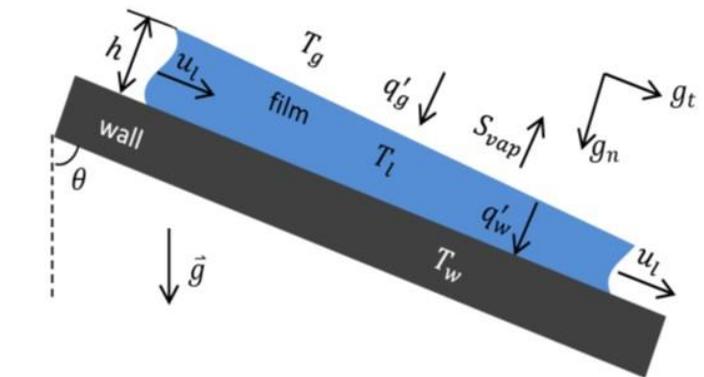
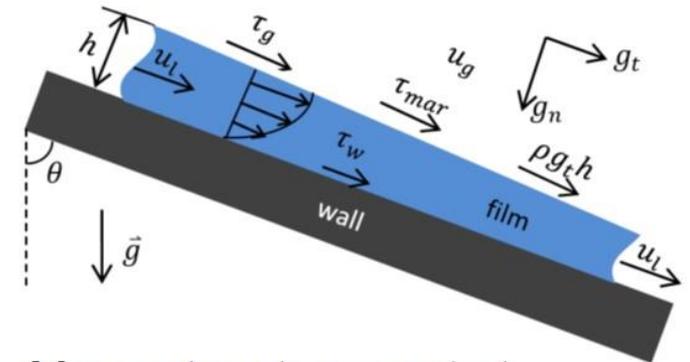
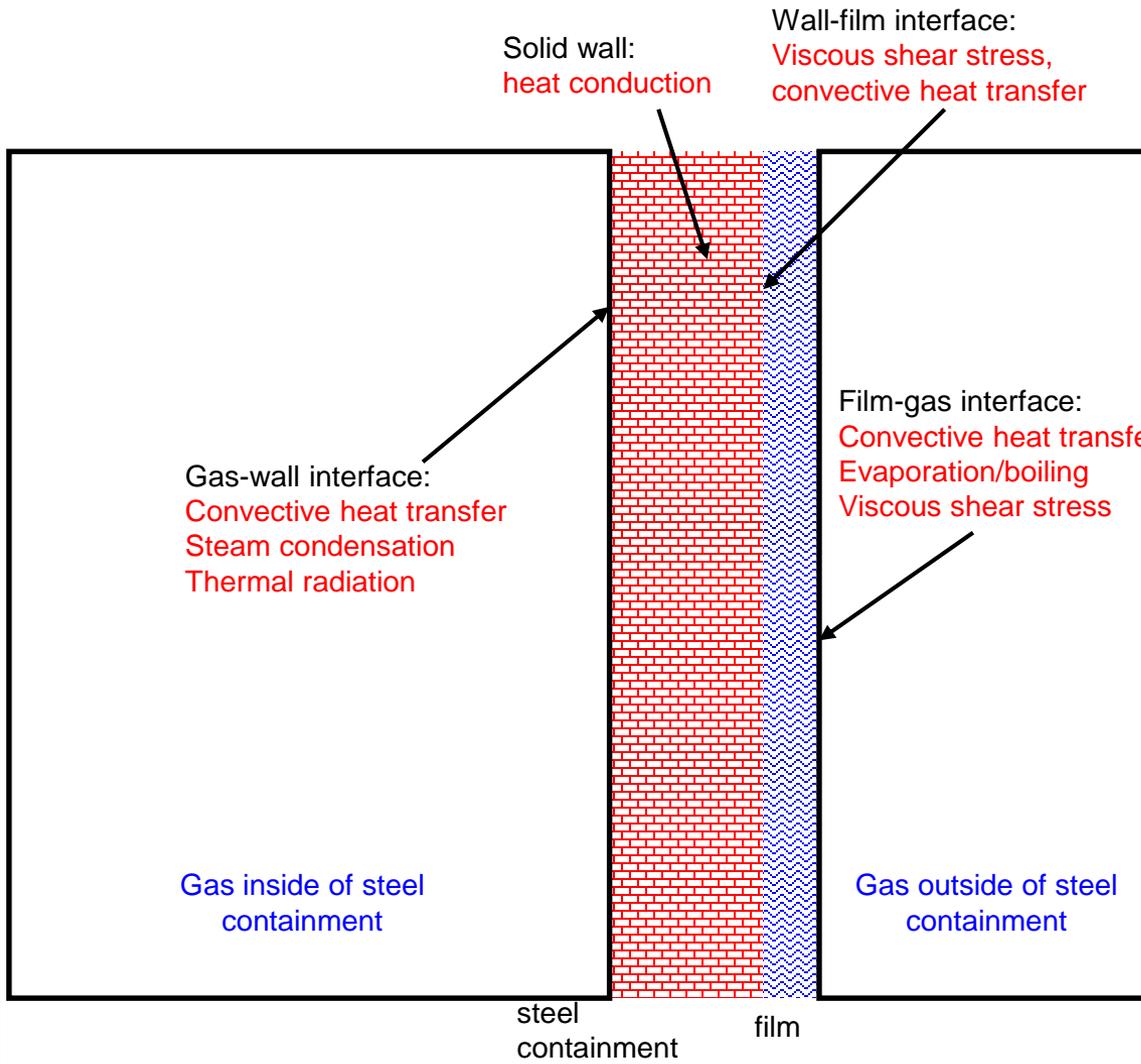
Dynamic water film model

Convective heat transfer and evaporation model

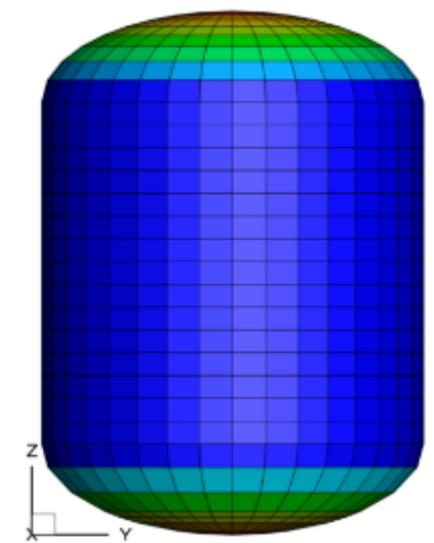
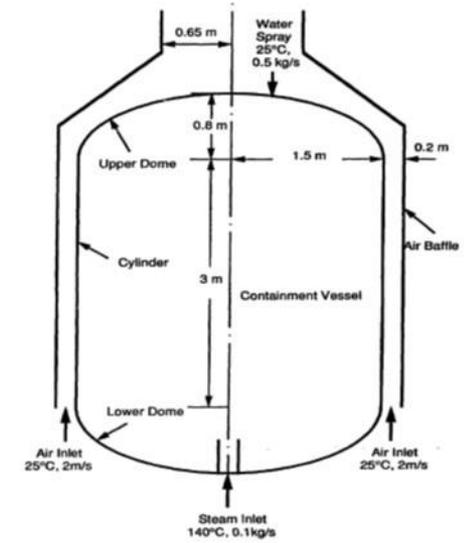
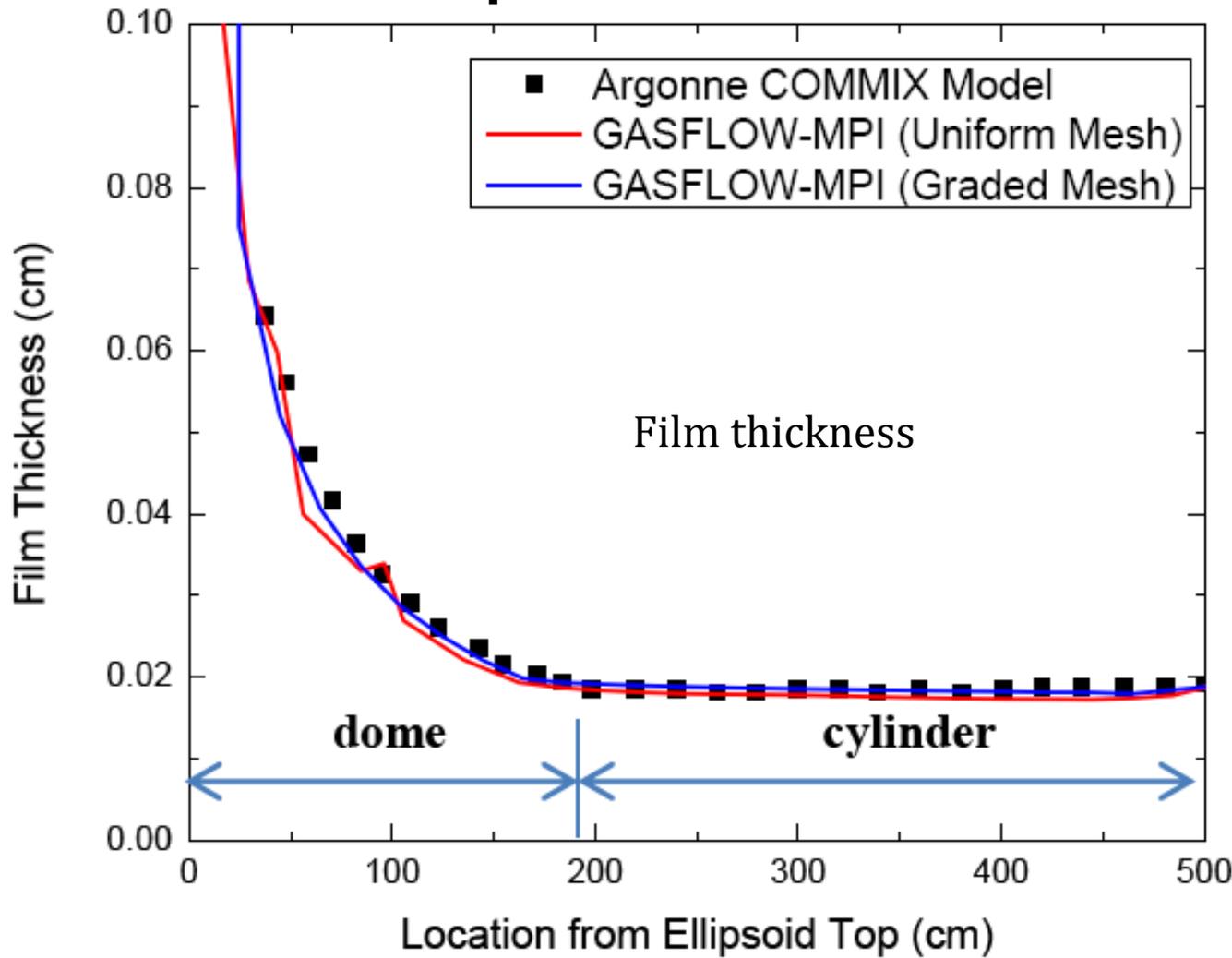
Heat conduction in solids

Example: Passive Containment Cooling System of AP1000

GASFLOW-MPI: Physics of liquid thin film transport



GASFLOW-MPI: Validation of outer film model with COMMIX Experiments



GASFLOW-MPI: Heat, Mass and Momentum Transfer at Condensation Film

■ Chilton-Colburn empirical analogy

$$C_f = StPr^{2/3} = St_m Sc^{2/3} \quad 0.6 < Pr < 60; \quad 0.6 < Sc < 3000$$

$$St_m = \frac{h_d}{u_g} = \frac{Sh}{ReSc} \quad Sc = \frac{\nu}{D_{AB}} \quad Sh = \frac{h_d L}{D_{AB}}$$

$$h_d = \frac{h_w}{\rho c_p} \frac{Sc^{-2/3}}{Pr^{-2/3}}$$

■ and the condensation rate is calculated as:

$$\dot{m}_s = h_d^* A_w (\rho - \rho_{s,sat})$$

$$\rho_{sat} = \frac{P_{sat}}{R_{h20} T_w}, \quad P_{sat} = \exp \left[\frac{A(T - T_0)}{T + C} \right]$$

GASFLOW-MPI: Non-condensable Gas Absorption in Condensate Film

- The fraction of non-condensable gases in the film $n_{c,film}$:

$$n_{c,film} = \frac{P_c}{H_c}, c = O_2 \text{ or } H_2$$

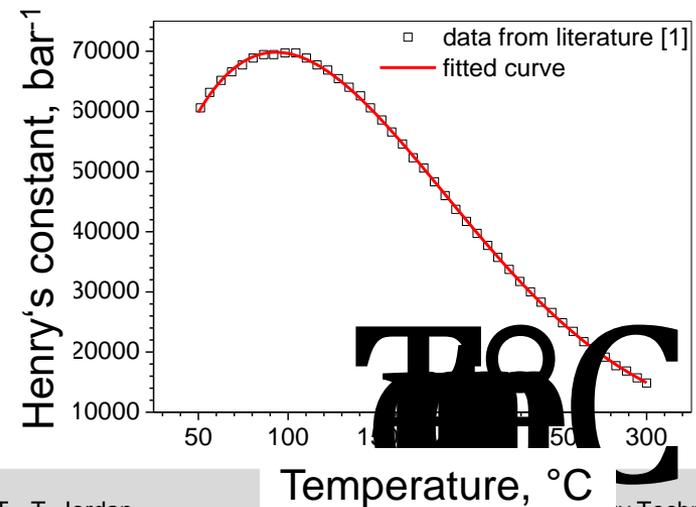
- The static liquid film :

- the film on the condense structure are with constant thickness δ_{min}
- the mass and energy of the film is removed from the control volume when $\int \dot{m}_s dt / A_{film} > \delta_{min}$;
- Along with the gases dissolved in the film:

$$\omega_{c,film} = \omega_{c,g} \frac{P_{gas}}{H_c} \frac{M_{gas}}{M_{film,i}}$$

$$\dot{m}_{a,c} = \omega_{c,film} \dot{m}_s$$

Where: H_c is henry constant, c is for components, H2 or O2; ω_c is the mass fraction, $\dot{m}_{a,c}$ is the absorption rate for component c



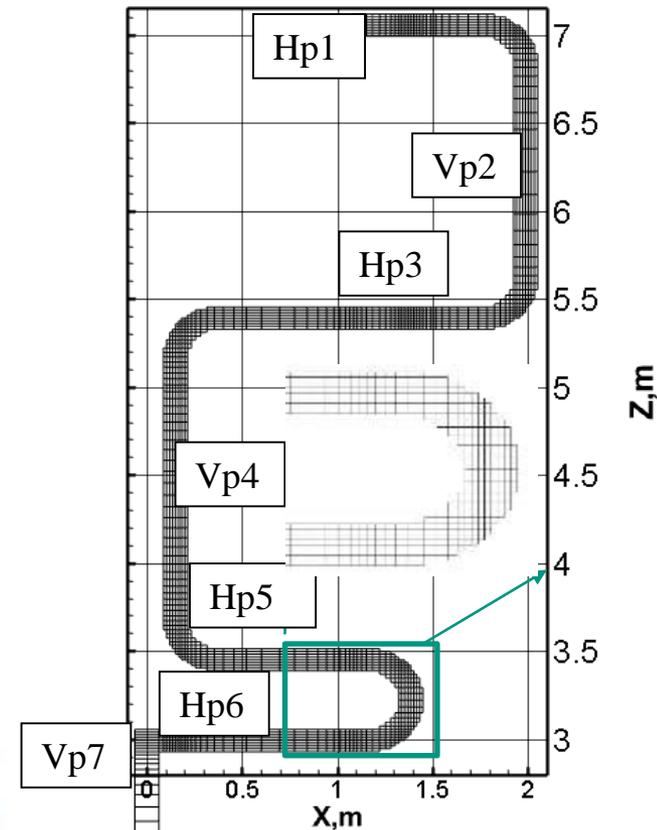
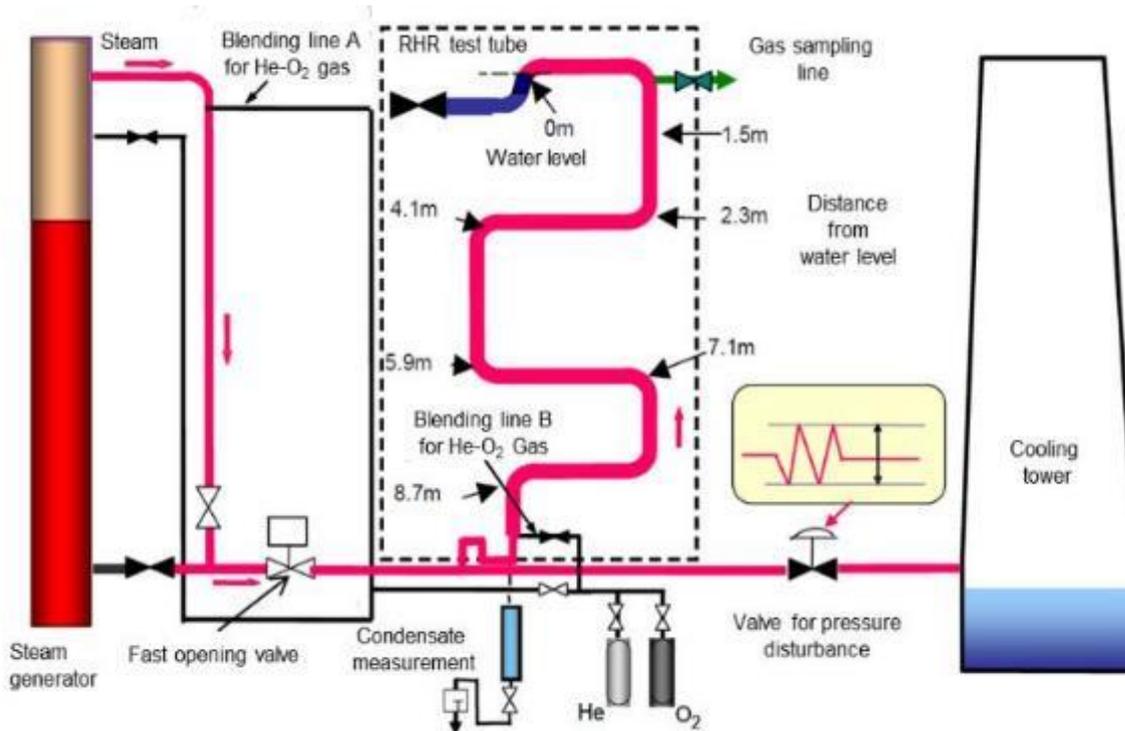
GASFLOW-MPI: Radiolytic Gas Transport Validation on the Hamaoka Pipe Experiments

Initial and boundary conditions:

constant $p=7\text{MPa}$, $T=286^\circ\text{C}$

$\omega_{\text{H}_2,\text{g}} = 0.002$ $\omega_{\text{H}_2,\text{g}} = 0.016$ (mole ratio 2:1)

Insulator: calcium silicate wool $d=65\text{mm}$

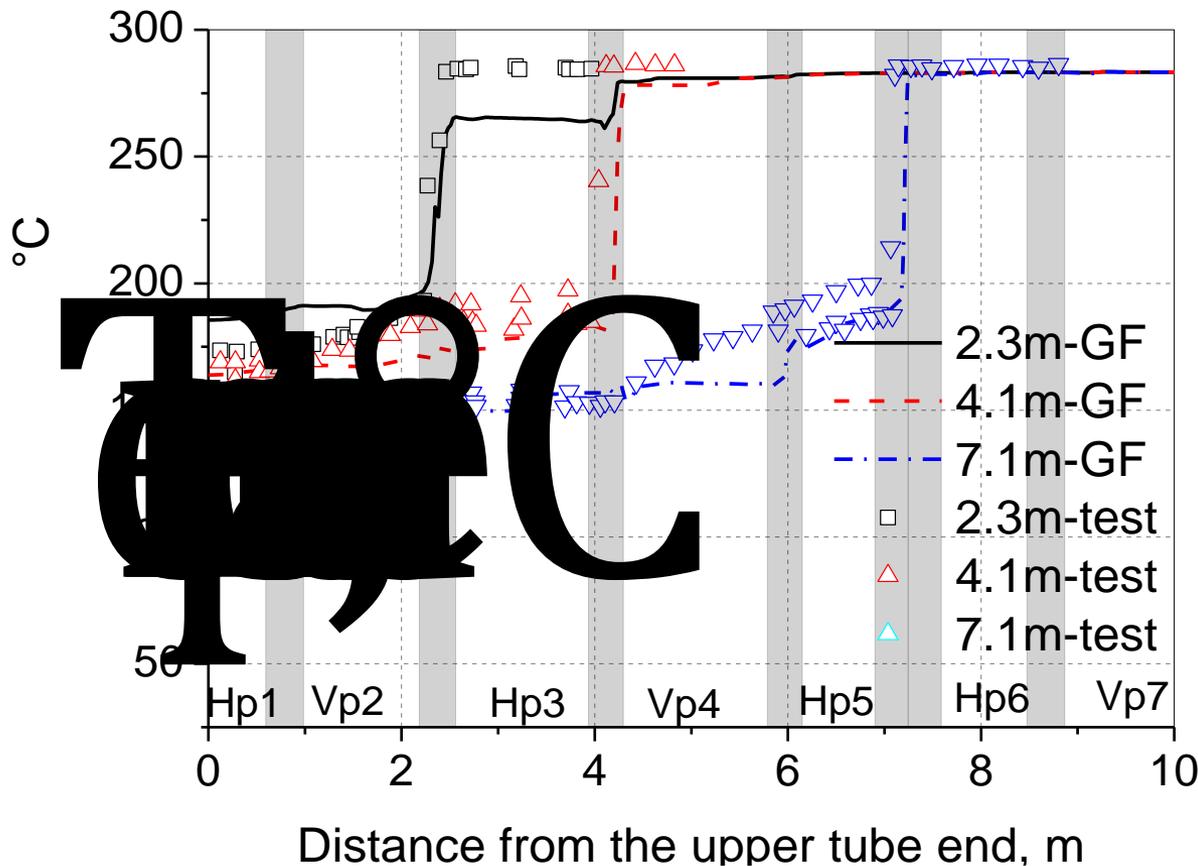


Mesh: computational domain
 $2.5 * 1.35 * 7.13\text{m}$ in x, y and z
 divided $70 * 8 * 168$ cells
 Uniform mesh at pipe cross-section

Test facility for measuring enrichment of non-condensable gases (He/O_2) in the Hamaoka pipe

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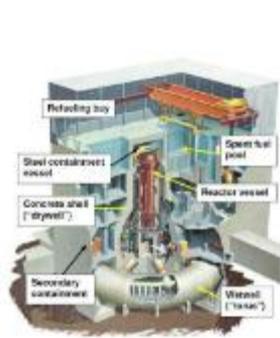
Temperature profiles associated with the distance from the upper tube end
GASFLOW-MPI (GF) versus test



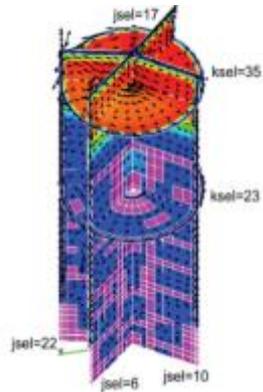
Mole fraction at Hp1

	Test	GF
Hydrogen	64.7%	63.3%
Oxygen	35.3%	31.7%

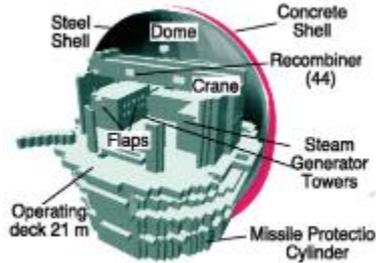
GASFLOW-MPI: Applications in Real Scale Containments



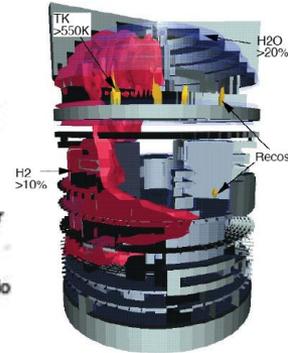
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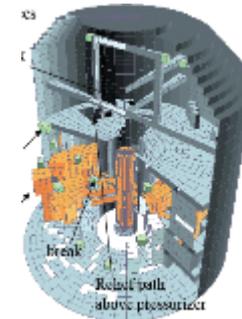
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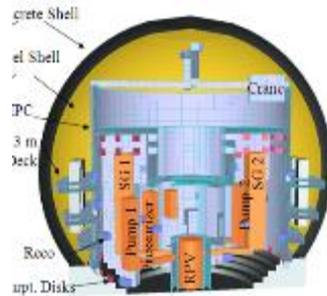
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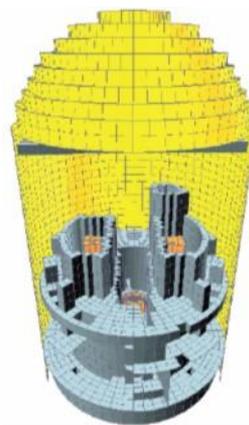
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AP1000



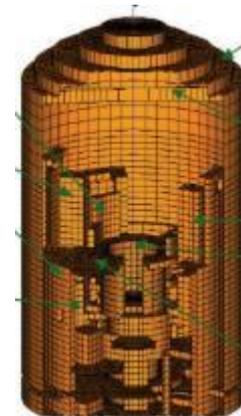
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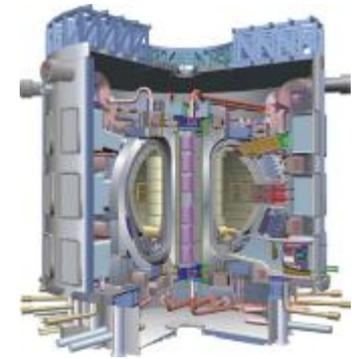
APR1400



OPR1000



Qinshan



ITER

Analytical Codes
COM3D

COM3D: Reactive Flow Modelling

- Since 1995 developed for turbulent combustion in industry relevant scales

1st and 2nd
exakt schemes

Runge-Kutta
4-order

Pade 6-
order

ALE scheme
for slow combustion

SIMPLE(...) scheme
for slow combustion

- Turbulence models

Standard
k- ϵ

RNG
k- ϵ

SST
k- ϵ & k- ω

LES Smagorinski,
mixed, dynamic

- Thermodynamics

Piecewise linear approximation
of JANAF tables

- Combustion models

Integral combustion
model KYLCOM

+extensions: quenching,
instabilities, DDT, ...

Phenomenological
models: EBU, EDC, ...

Detonation

Detailed
chemistry

- Special

Combustible
dust model

Moving wall boundary
conditions
(soft wall, fragmentation,..)

Co-Simulation with
ABAQUS

- Cutting-edge, scalable and powerful high performance computing capabilities

C++ skeleton with C,
FORTRAN routines

C++ library for domain
decomposition

MPP on basis of
MPI (openMPI,..)

Platforms: Linux clusters;
Cray, IBM (SP3, RISC)

available

Under
development

plan

COM3D: Process Control, Pre-, Post-Processing

■ Meshing

Structured
cubic

Optimized
Load Balancer

AMR

Immersed
3D Boundaries

■ Pre-Processing

CAD data
import

comgen

Import of GASFLOW
data via comcon

■ Post-Processing

GTK+ 3 based GUI
VIZIR (incl. on-line mode)

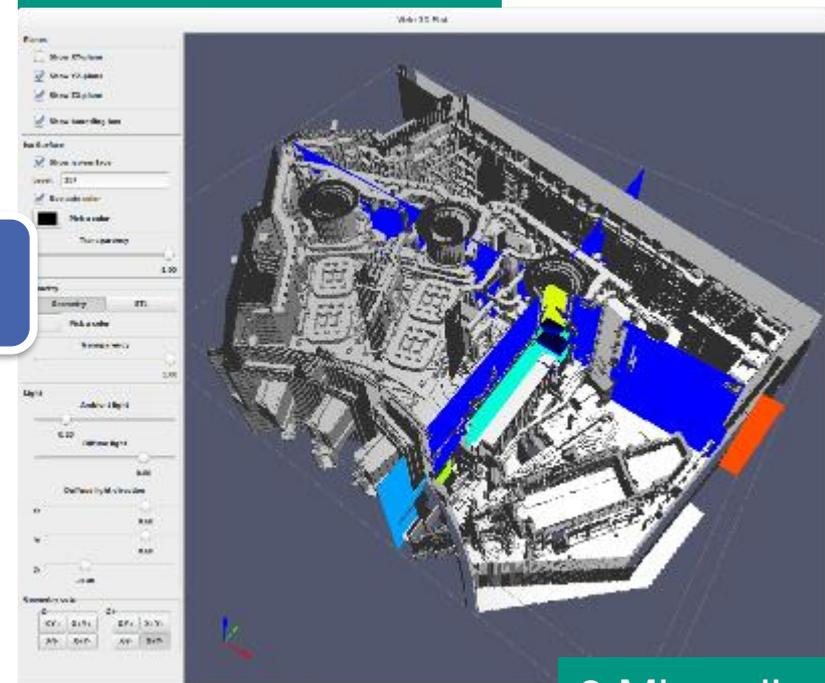
Interfaces to all relevant
visualization tools

■ Process Control

Client-Server
via SUN RPC

HDF5 data
storage format

ITER NBI/Cryopump



8 Mio cells

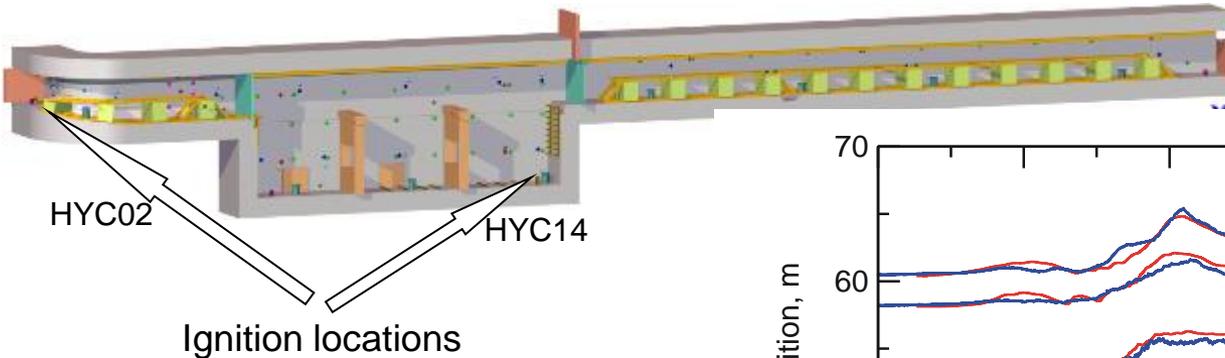
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COM3D: Typical validation

2 blind large-scale RUT facility simulations

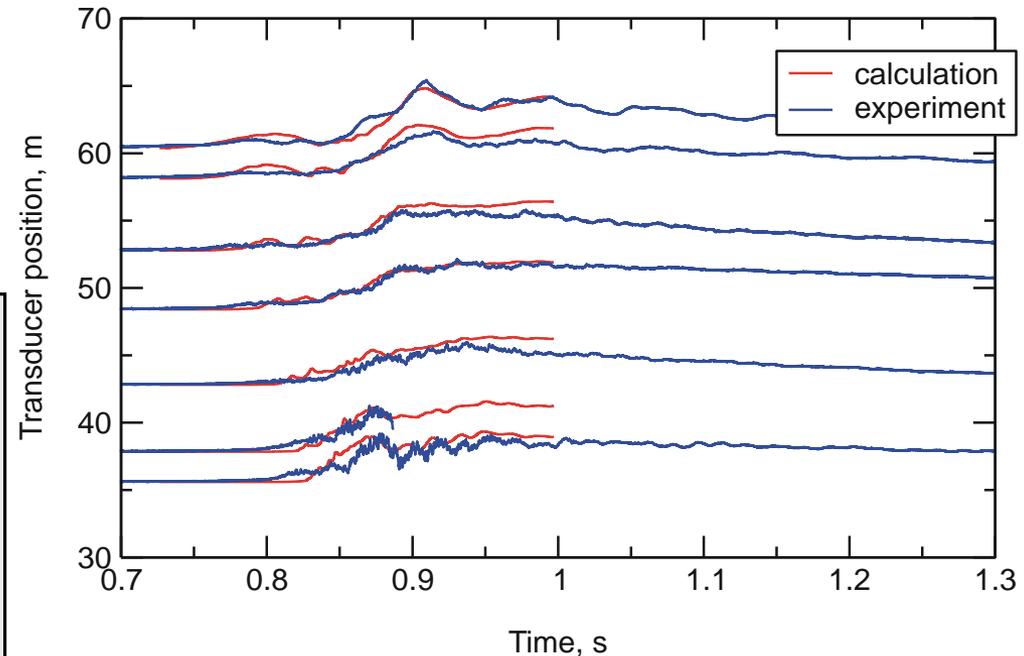


Numerical details

- Grid $98 \times 94 \times 416 = 3\,800\,000$ cells
- Cells $6.67 \times 6.67 \times 6.67$ cm
- Process time 0.27 s, 2.4 s
- 80 CPUs with total time ~20000 hours

Initial conditions

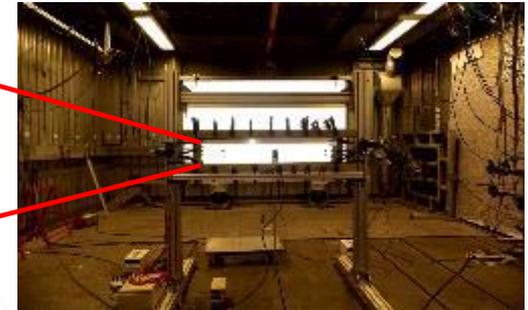
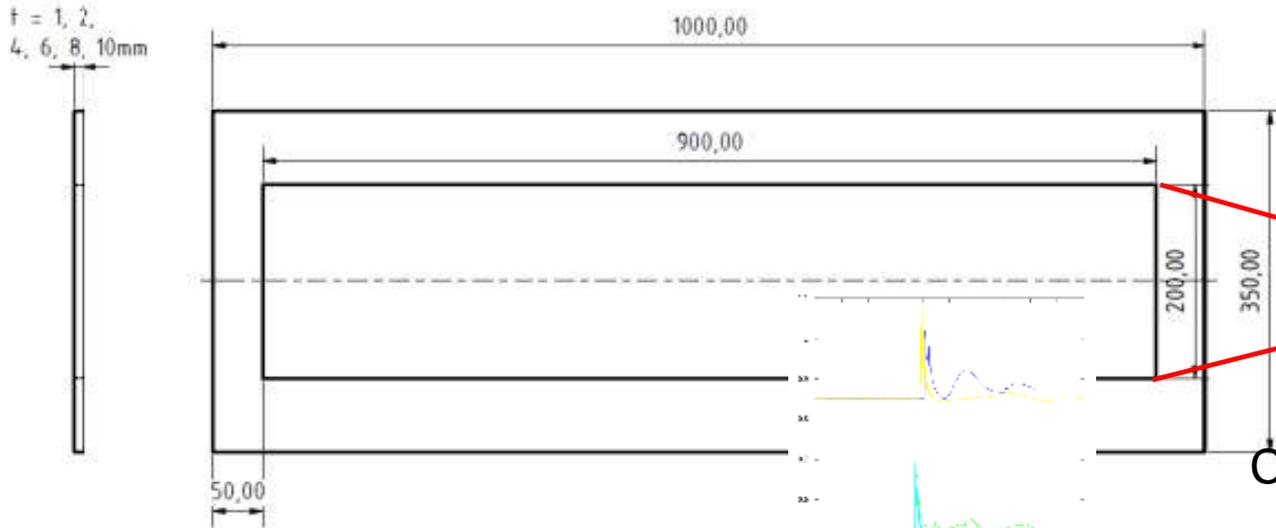
- Uniformly mixed H_2 / air (11.5% vol.)
- Ignition: channel end, canyon
- $P = 1$ atm, $T = 288$ K



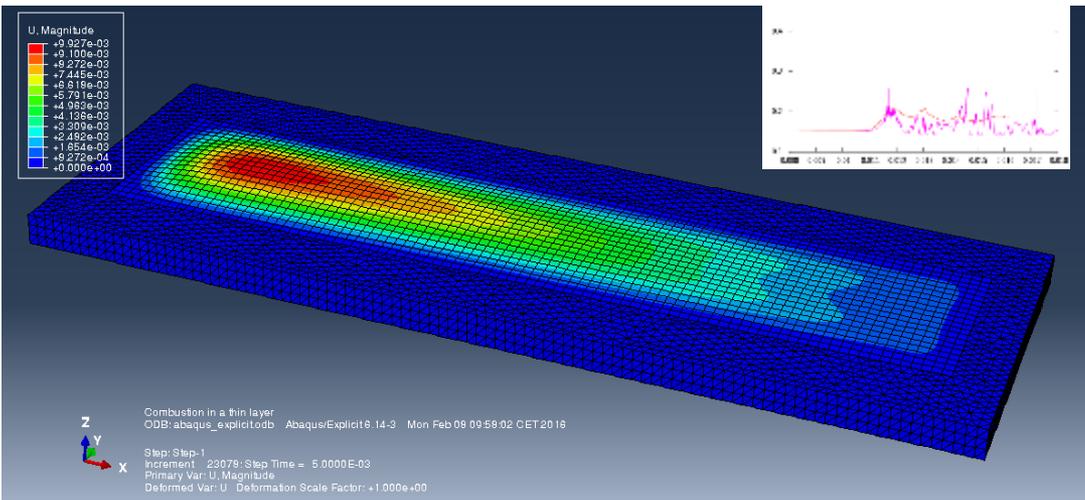
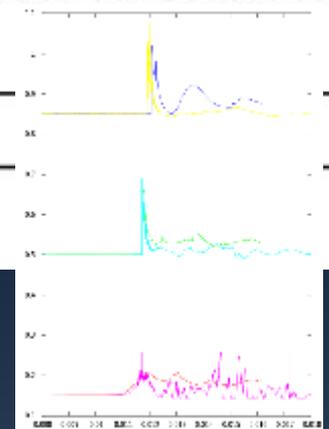
Excellent reproduction of pressure wave evolution in both blind simulations HYC02 and HYC14: Shown pressure recordings in test HYC02; transducers are located in channel and in upper part of the facility

COM3D: Fluid-Structure-Interaction

Deflagration in flat channel with flexible wall

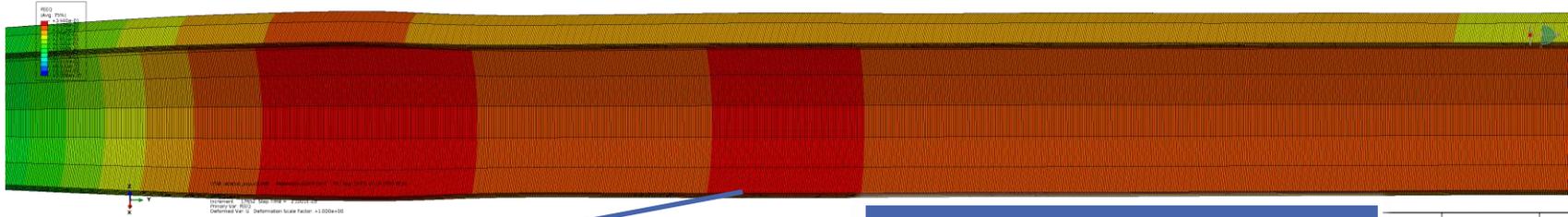


Corresponding experiment with plexiglass walls set up in HYKA Q160



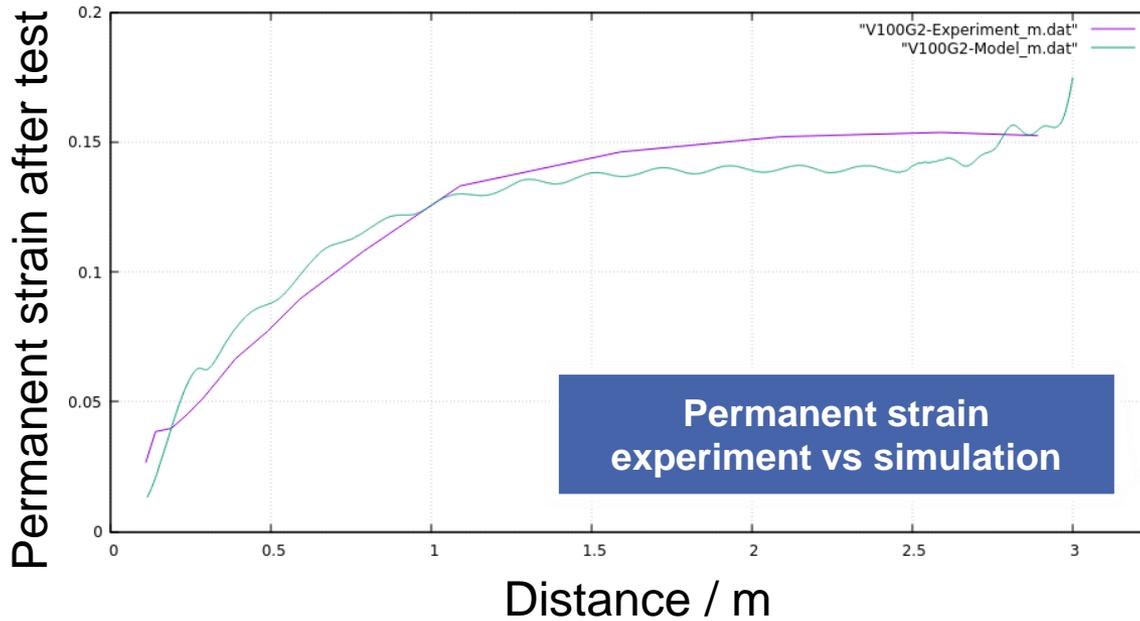
Wall displacement at $t = 5$ ms determined with COM3D-ABAQUS coupled calculation (co-simulation interface) applying KYLCOM+ combustion model (supported by Toyota Tsusho Europe S.A.)

COM3D: Pipeline deformation and failure behavior under detonation loads

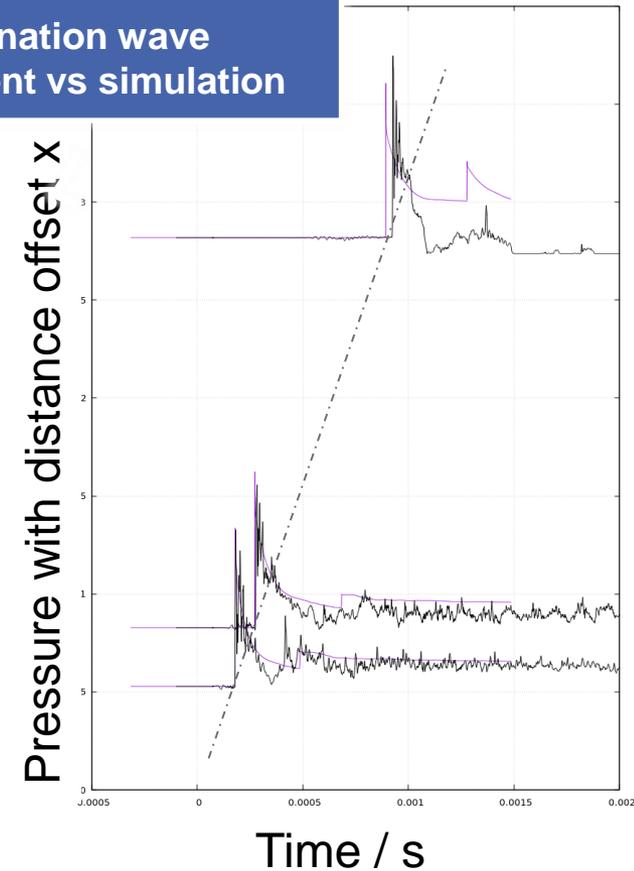


Strain Visualization

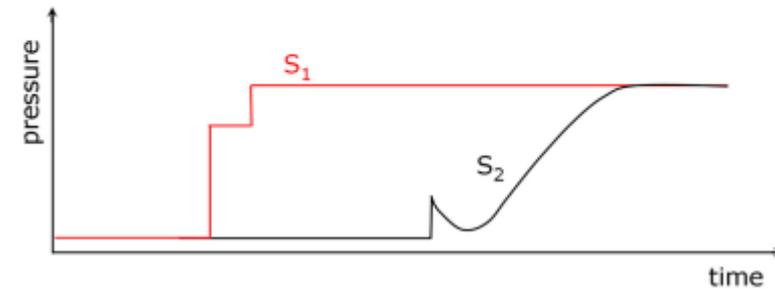
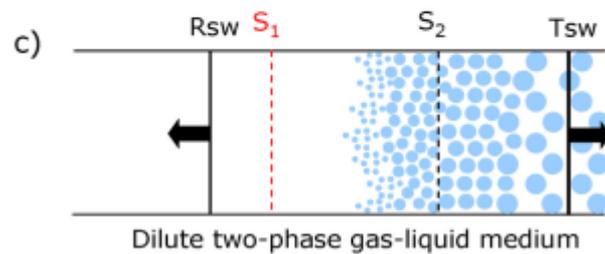
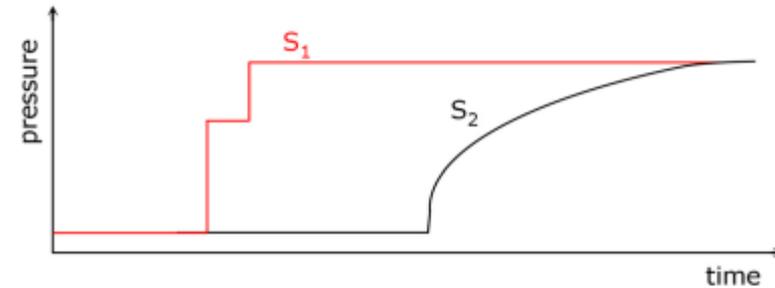
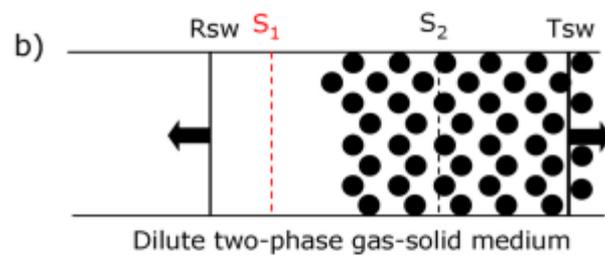
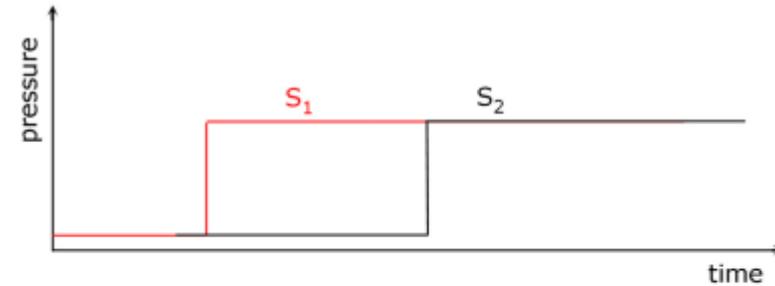
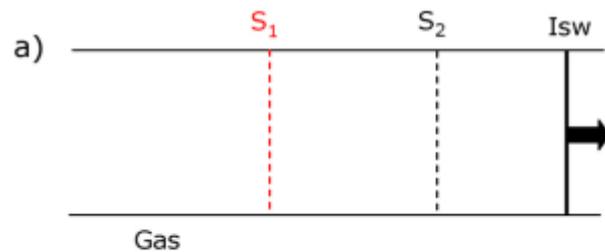
Detonation wave experiment vs simulation



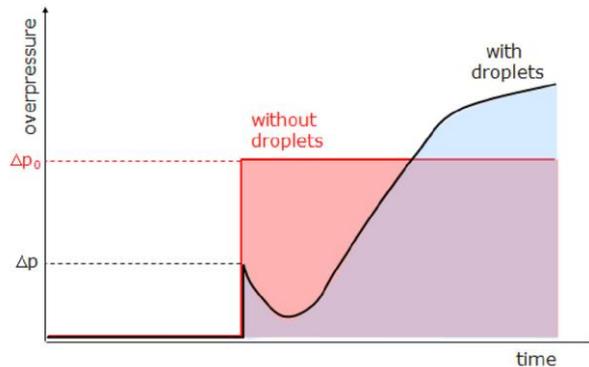
Permanent strain experiment vs simulation



COM3D: Mitigation of detonation / SW impact



COM3D: Droplet – flow interaction model



Two-way coupling of particle – flow interaction is available
 Particle disintegration model is under development

- Disintegration time correlation of Pilch

$$\frac{t_b}{t^*} = \begin{cases} 6 (We - 12)^{-0.25} & 12 < We < 18 \\ 2.45 (We - 12)^{0.25} & 18 < We < 45 \\ 14.1 (We - 12)^{-0.25} & 45 < We < 351 \end{cases}$$

- Corrected We-number for $On > 0.1$:

$$We_{corr} = \frac{We}{1 + 1.077 On^{1.6}}$$

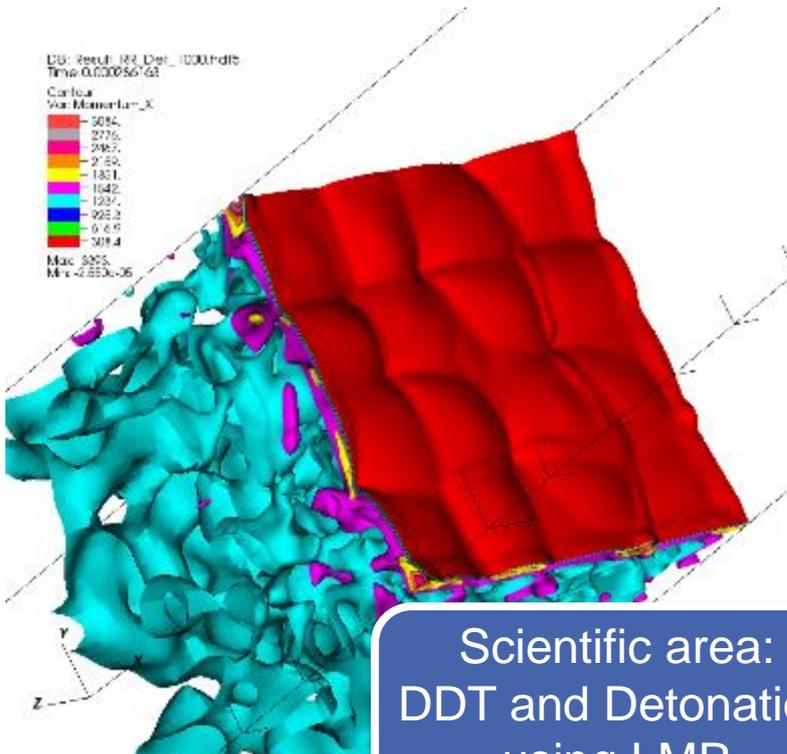
- Correlation for secondary droplet sizes

$$\frac{D_{32}}{D_0} = 1.5 On^{0.2} We_{corr}^{-0.25}$$

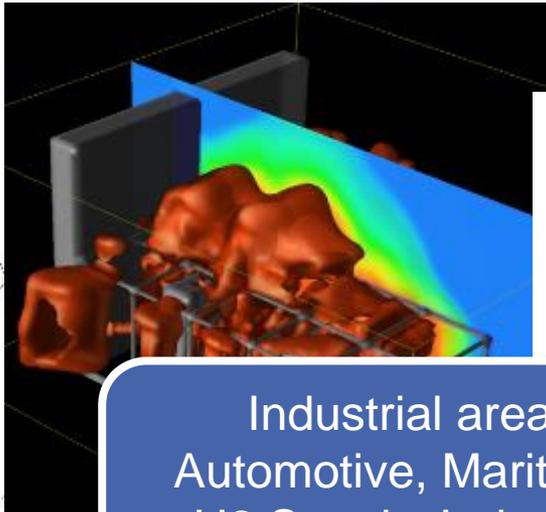
- Correlation for droplet size distribution

$$f(D) = \frac{x}{2\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma D} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right]^2 \right\}$$

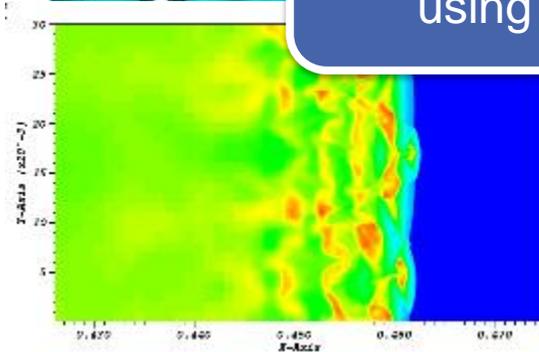
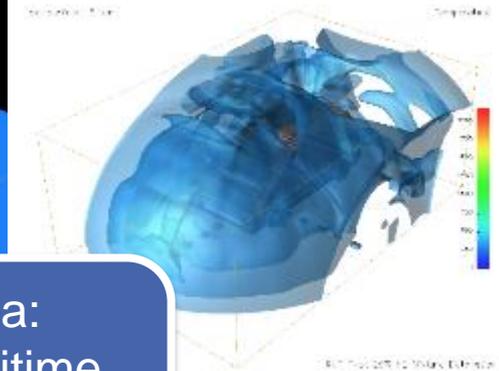
COM3D: Application Areas



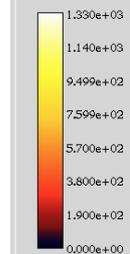
Scientific area:
DDT and Detonation
using LMR



Industrial area:
Automotive, Maritime,
H2 Supply, Industry,
Nuclear Safety



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User Community and Licensing

GASFLOW-MPI User Community

~ 25 licenses worldwide
(5 Germany, 12 China, 2 South Korea,
2 Mexico, 2 France, 1 Hungary and
1 Czech Republic)

Strong, expanding position in
nuclear community



COM3D User Community

Research focused, universities,
testing of combustion models

License Models

- GASFLOW-MPI: commercial, with services, application focused
- COM3D: research & education; open (free) source

GASFLOW-MPI and COM3D

More applications also in the non-nuclear field, e.g. hydrogen supply infrastructure, fuel cells, vehicles, maritime, aviation, space, etc.

GASFLOW-MPI

- Special commercial services, in particular for Asia (spin-off in China)
- Improved user interfaces
- Further acceleration via domain decomposition, GPUs, etc
- Stochastic spray model, porous media, multi-phase H₂, particle model,...

COM3D

- Immersed boundaries (moving walls)
- Co-simulation interface
- Shockwave- and flame-water spray interaction