

Embracing Uncertainty: Unleashing Value in the Evolving Industry Landscape

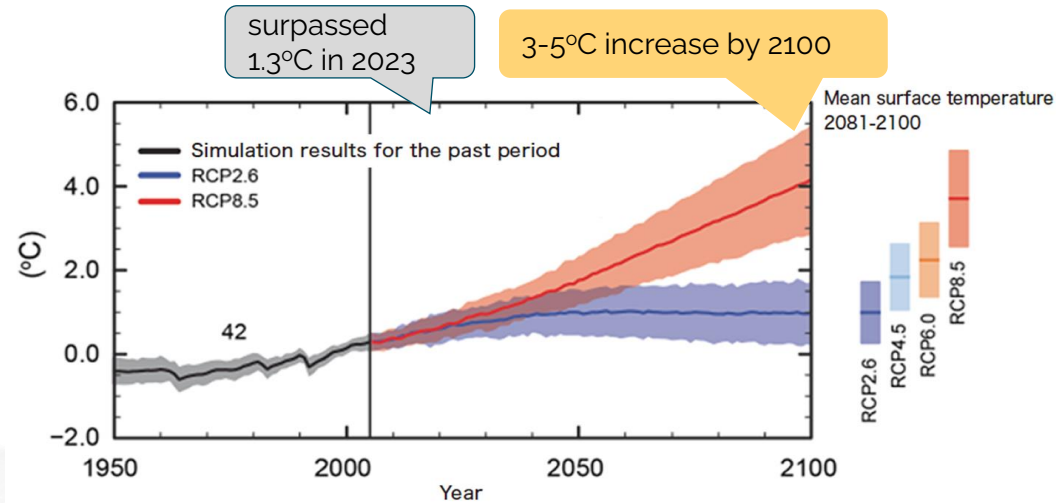
Driving Innovation and Sustainability toward Net-Zero World with Engineering Simulation Technology Spotlight on Hydrogen applications

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The Urgency of Net-Zero



Global surface temperature continue to increase

Decarbonization

Achieve Net Zero CO₂ emission by 2050

- Removal of ~ 25Gt/year of carbon emissions | Close to \$50Trillions investments

Initiatives

- Renewable Energy | **Carbon Capture & Storage** | Biofuel | Electric Vehicles | **Hydrogen Energy**

Mega-trends in Energy sectors



Hydrogen/Alternate Fuel/Renewable

Sustainability

Emission reduction; Carbon capture

Digitalization/Automation

Hydrogen: Key Enabler for Decarbonization

3x

More Energy Density
than Hydrocarbons

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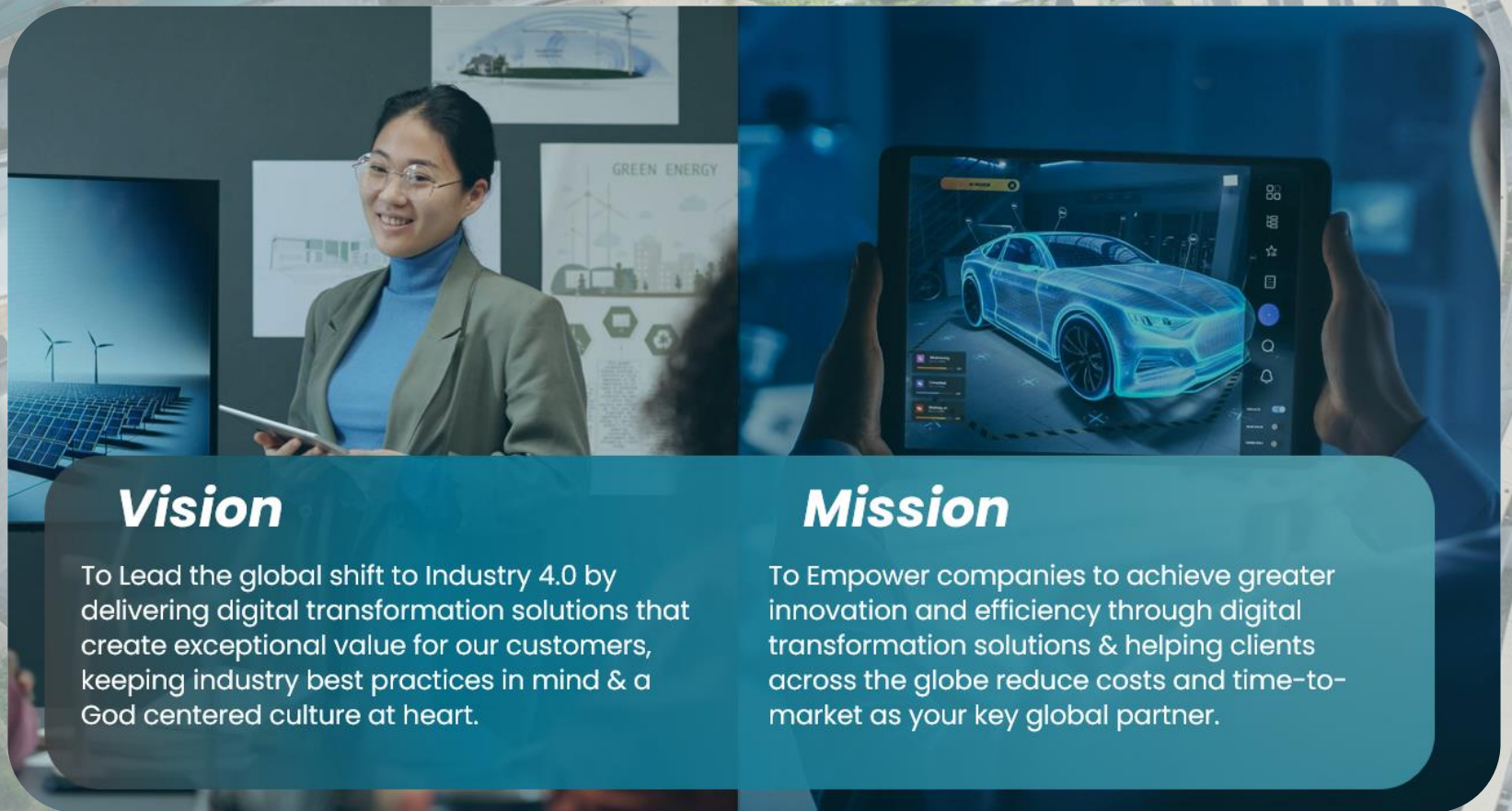
Carbon Emission at
Point of Utilization



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Company Profile 2025

Found since 1991

A woman in a blue turtleneck and grey blazer stands in front of a wall with posters. One poster shows wind turbines and solar panels, another says "GREEN ENERGY". To her right, a hand holds a tablet displaying a 3D wireframe model of a car.

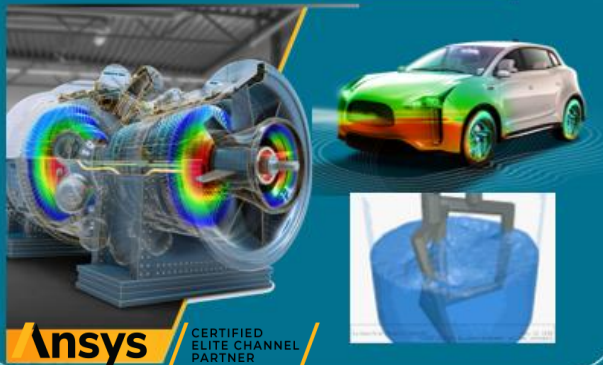
Vision

To Lead the global shift to Industry 4.0 by delivering digital transformation solutions that create exceptional value for our customers, keeping industry best practices in mind & a God centered culture at heart.

Mission

To Empower companies to achieve greater innovation and efficiency through digital transformation solutions & helping clients across the globe reduce costs and time-to-market as your key global partner.

Engineering Simulation



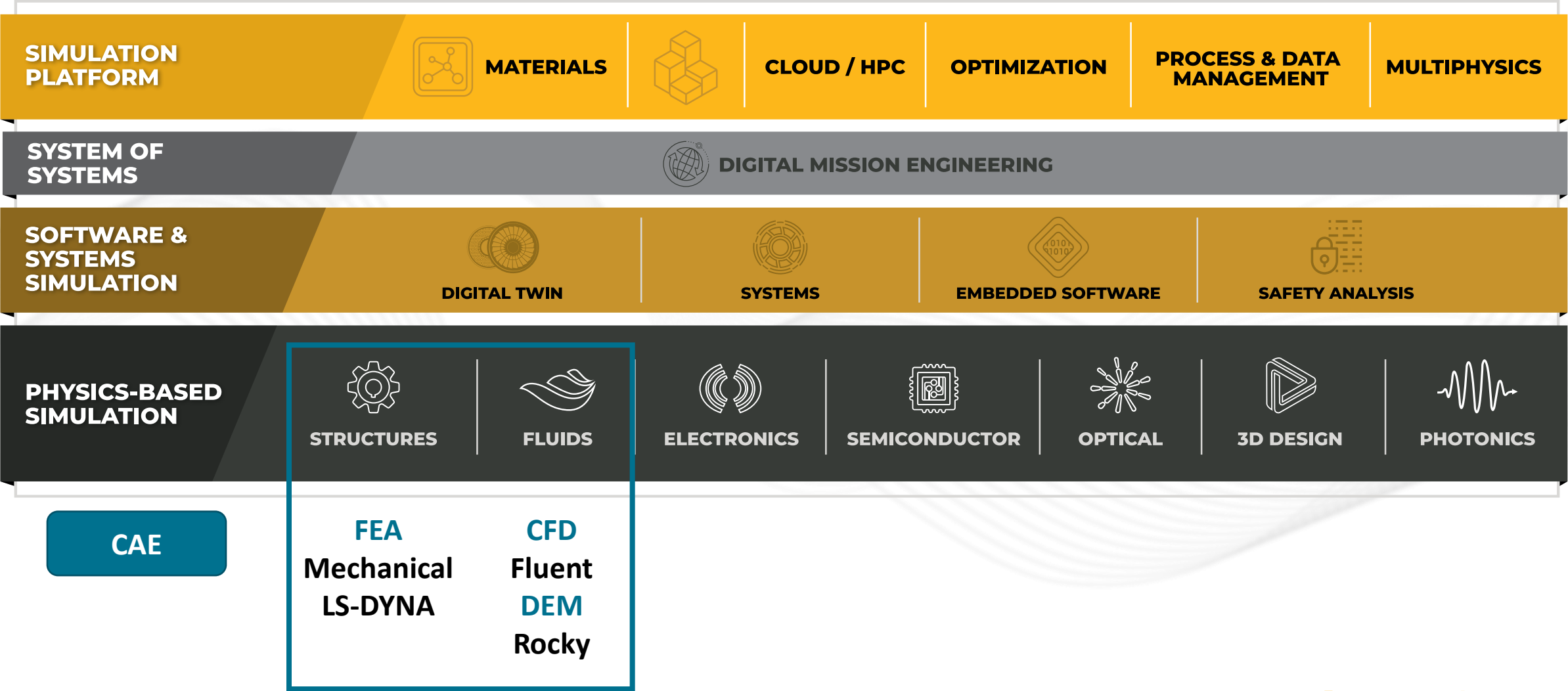
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Digital Twin



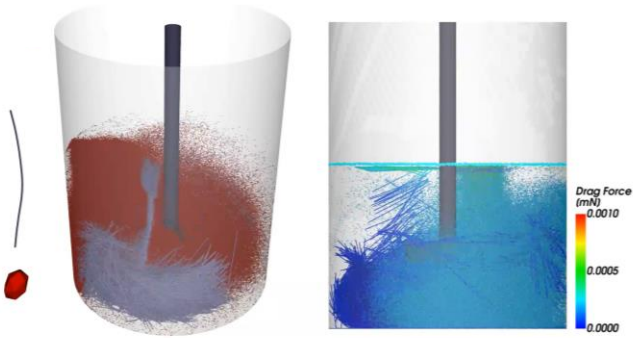
Engineering Simulation with Ansys Technology



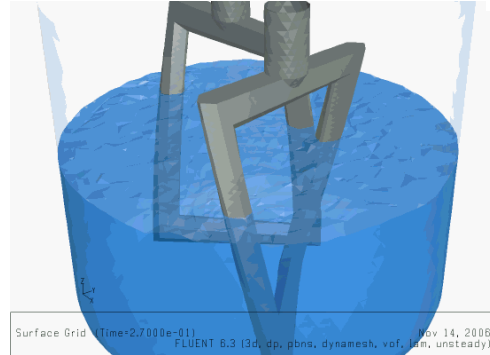


Mixing Process and Flow in Pipe

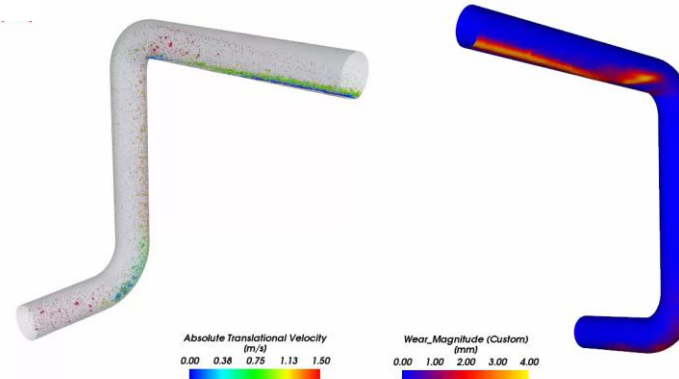
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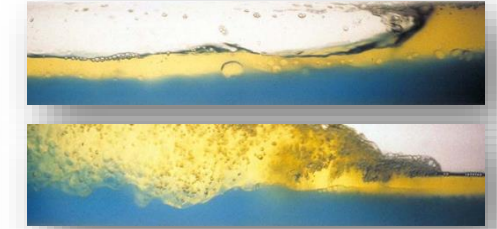
Powder and Fiber Dispersion



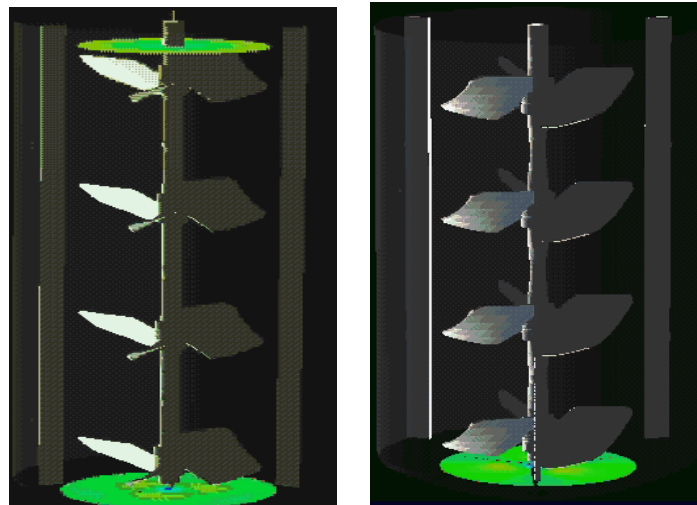
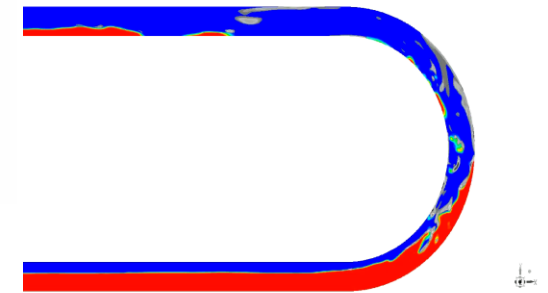
Newtonian Fluid-mixing



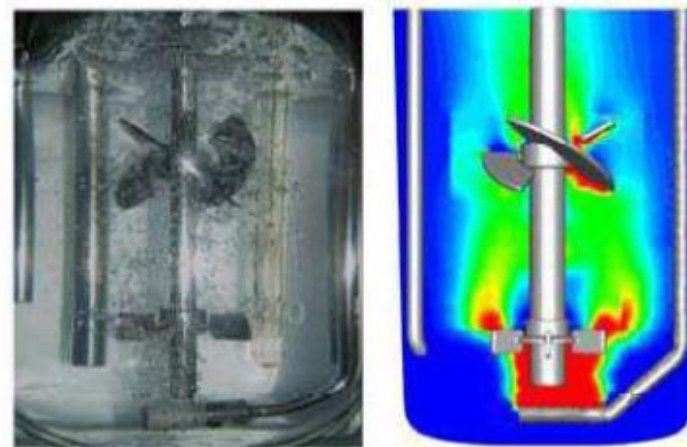
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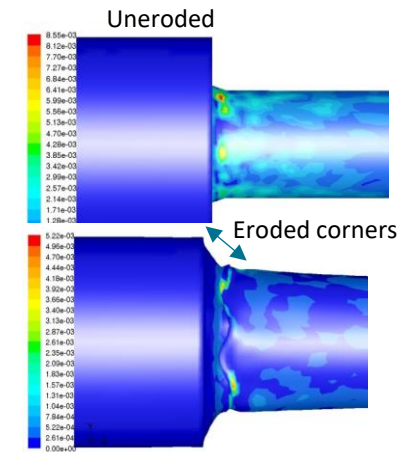
Flow Assurance – Slug flow induce Vibration



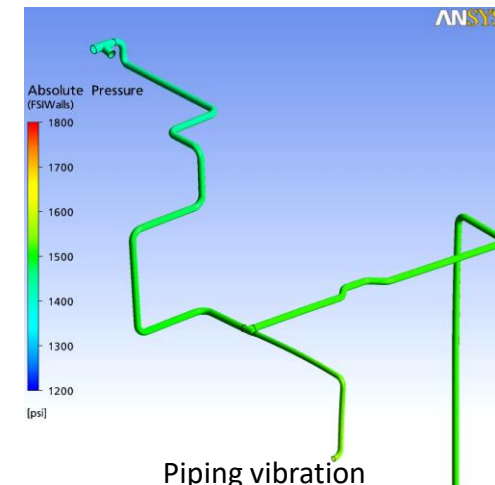
Agitator-comparison



Bubble distribution



Pipe Conjunction Erosion



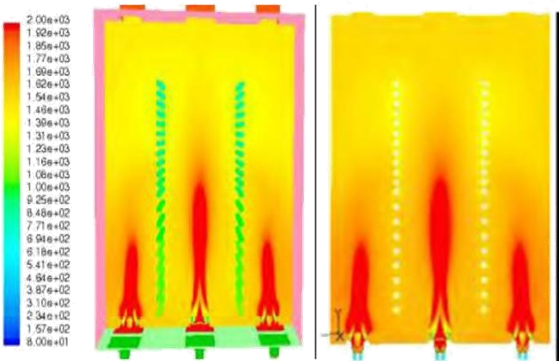
Piping vibration



Furnace, Heat Exchanger, Combustion & Reaction



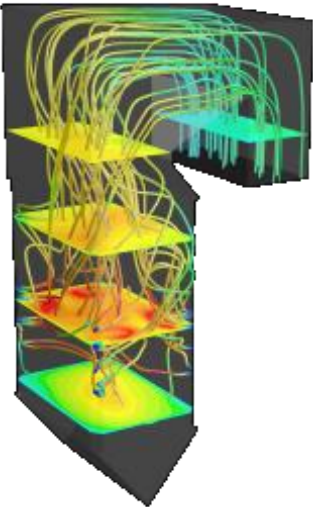
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Temperature profile during Start of Run

Temperature profile during End of Run

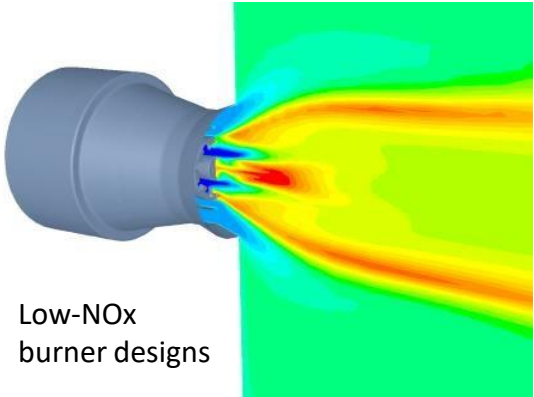
Coker furnace modeling



Boilers

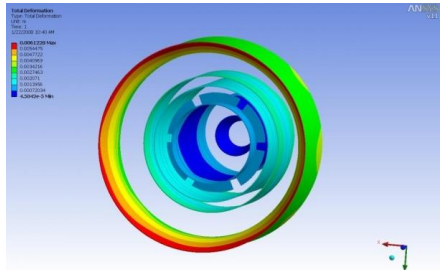


Burner Design

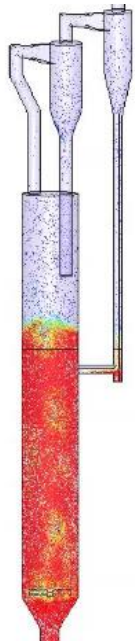
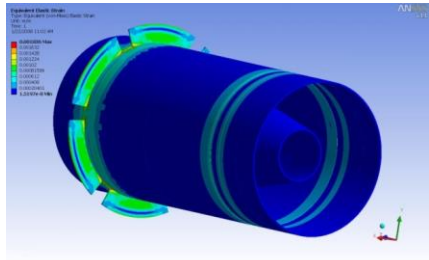


Low-NOx burner designs

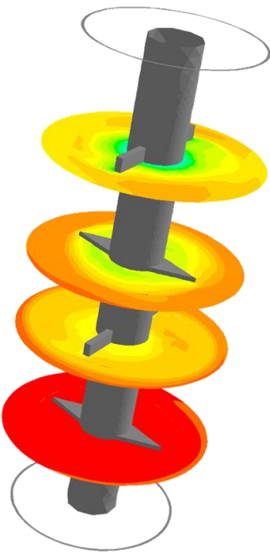
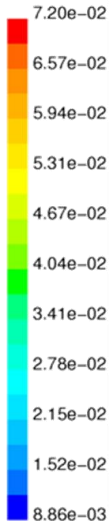
Courtesy Of: GE Energy and Environmental Research Corporation



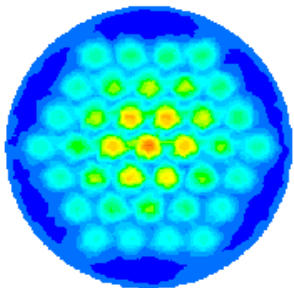
Total deformation due to thermal stresses of burner



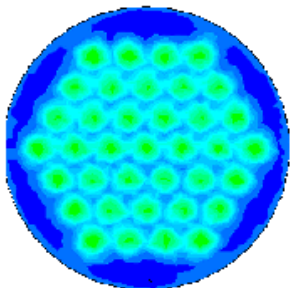
Fluidized bed reactor



Polymerization reaction

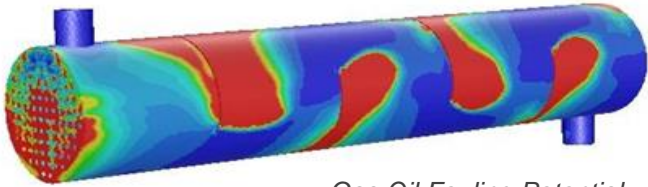


Maldistributed



Improved

Axial velocity at the inlet to the tubes; no "hot spots" visible for the improved design



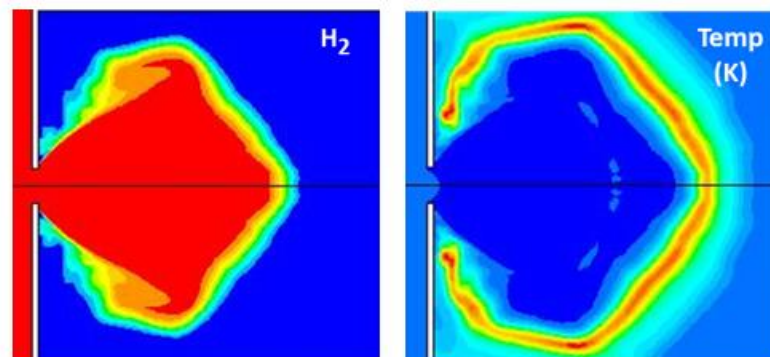
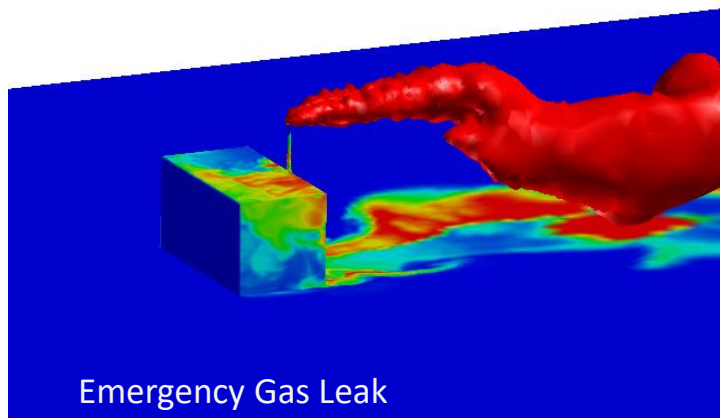
Gas Oil Fouling Potential



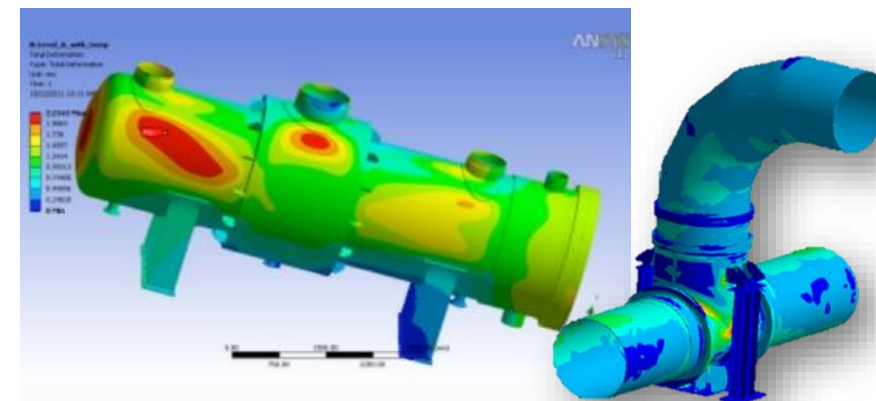
Safety, Maintenance equipment



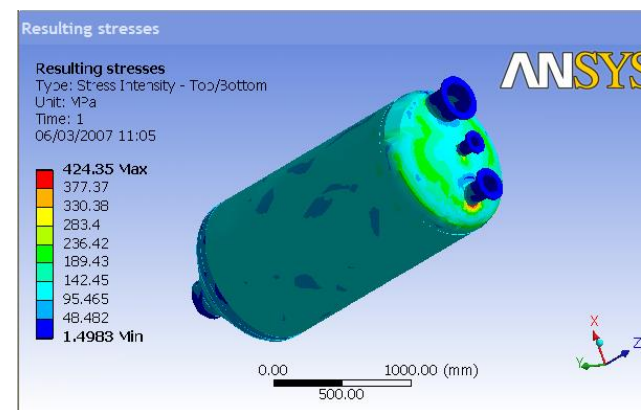
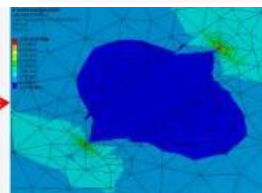
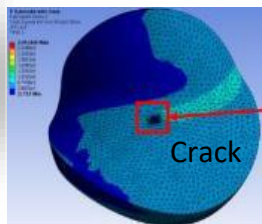
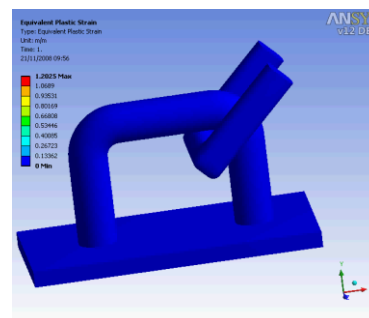
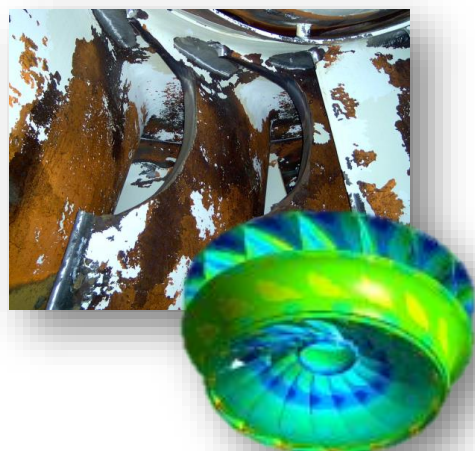
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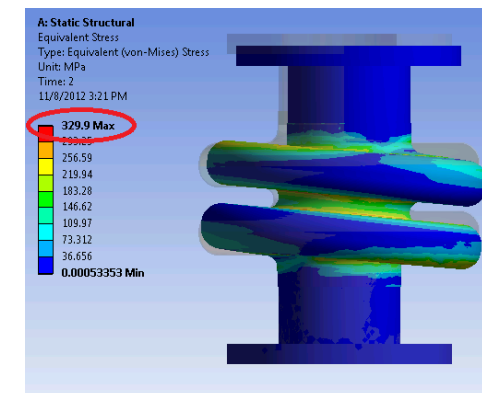
Predict leakage auto ignition & flame propagation



Strength analysis for Maintenance and services



Pressure vessel



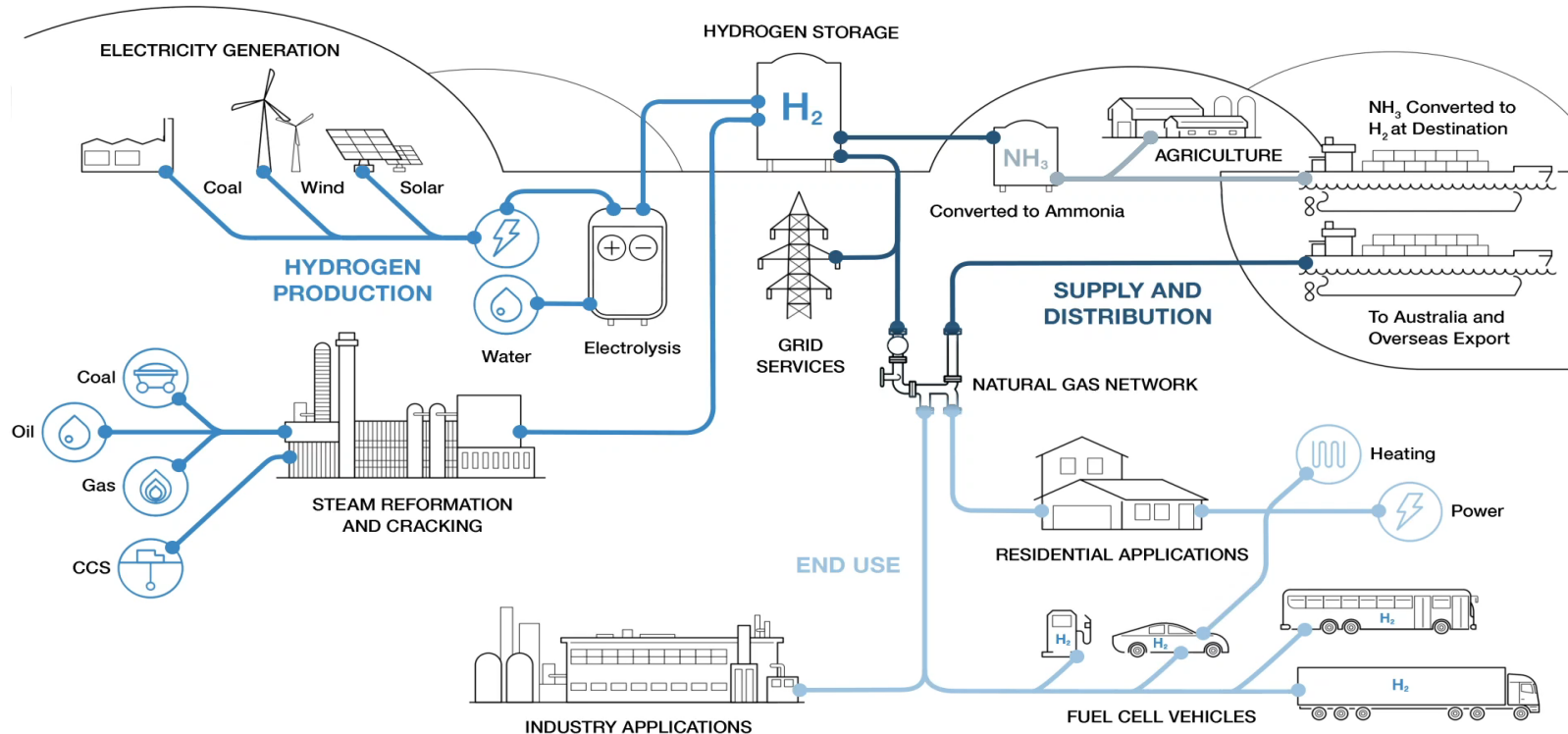
Equipment/component Life prediction

Simulation Empowers Hydrogen Innovation

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Spotlight on Hydrogen applications*

Challenges in Hydrogen Value Chain

Production and Purifier	Storage	Transport	Utilization
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modeling SMR Modeling electrolysis Integration of CCUS with reformer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design of cryo-coolers Liquefaction Storage tank design 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auto-ignition Hydrogen embrittlement Adsorption in hydrides Ammonia Conversion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> H₂ combustion Flashback NO_x H₂-Blends NH₃-Blends Fuel cell design
Main Challenges			
Efficiency CO ₂	Compression Liquefaction	Safety Embrittlement	NO _x Flashback



Hydrogen Characteristics

57x

Lighter than gasoline vapor. Prone to leak

15x

Smaller ignition energy requirement

4-70

Vol% in air flammability limit

8x

Higher flame speed than methane

Hydrogen Production: Steam Methane Reforming

Objective

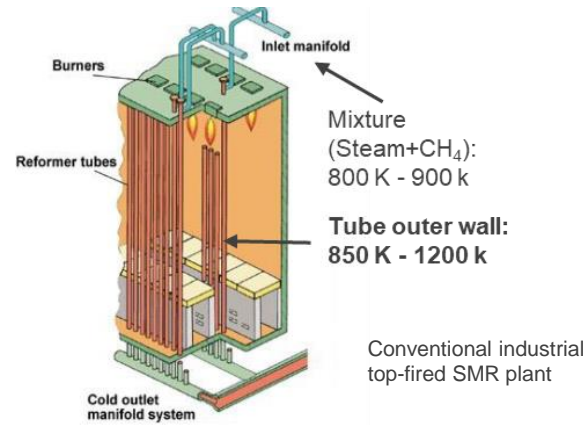
- To **improve hydrogen yield** and **thermal efficiency** in a Steam Methane Reforming (SMR) process

Ansys Solution

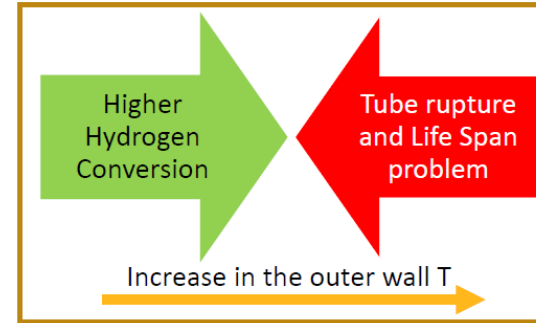
- Use CFD to optimize burner layout and **flame profiles**, including radiative and convective heat transfer in the furnace. (*Fluent*)
- Use **reacting flow models** help tune catalyst performance using:
 - 1D plug flow models** (detailed chemistry)
 - Porous media** model to represent the catalyst bed
 - Coupled with 3D models** to capture heat distribution within the furnace chamber

Outcome

- Better insights in virtual environment to ensure uniform heat distribution and flame interaction **to avoid hotspots or cold zones** that reduce reforming efficiency.
- Apply **1D–3D Coupled Models** to **reduces simulation cost** while maintaining accuracy for scale-up.
- Balance high-temperature performance with long-term **structural integrity**.

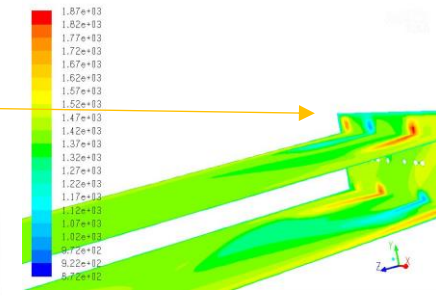
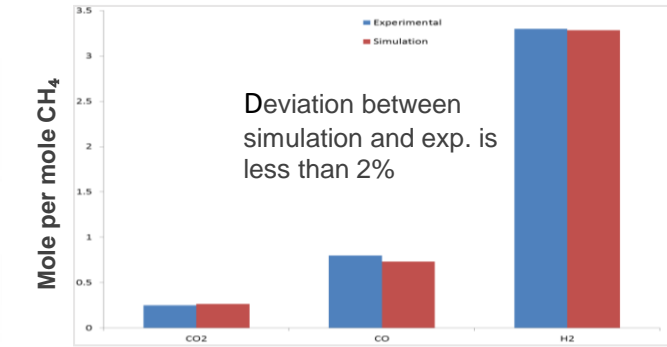
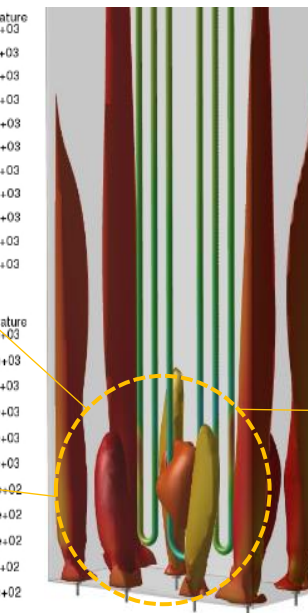
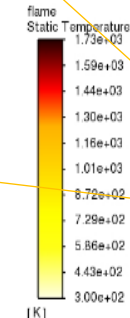
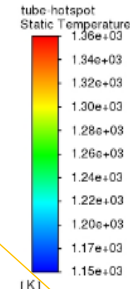
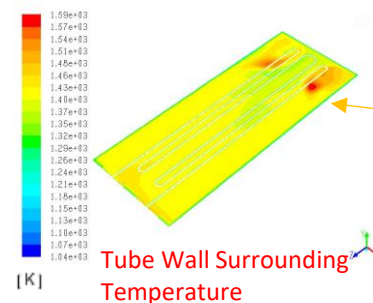
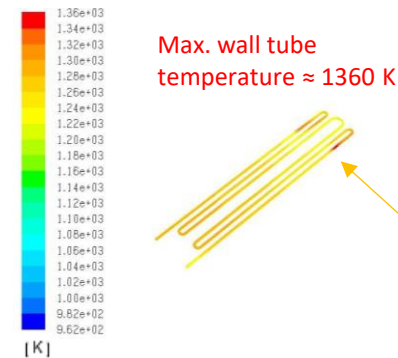


Kevin Bakey (2015), ENGL 202C "The Production of Hydrogen Gas: Steam Methane Reforming" – Process Description.



- Temperature of the furnace-side wall of the reforming tube
- **50 K increase results in a 50% reduction of tube life**

Aguirre, A. (2017). Computational Fluid Dynamics Modeling and Simulation of Steam Methane Reforming Reactors and Furnaces (Doctoral dissertation, UCLA).



Temperature Distribution Near Burner

Industrial Steam Reformer

Hydrogen Purification: Post-Combustion - Carbon Capturing Using MOFs



Objective

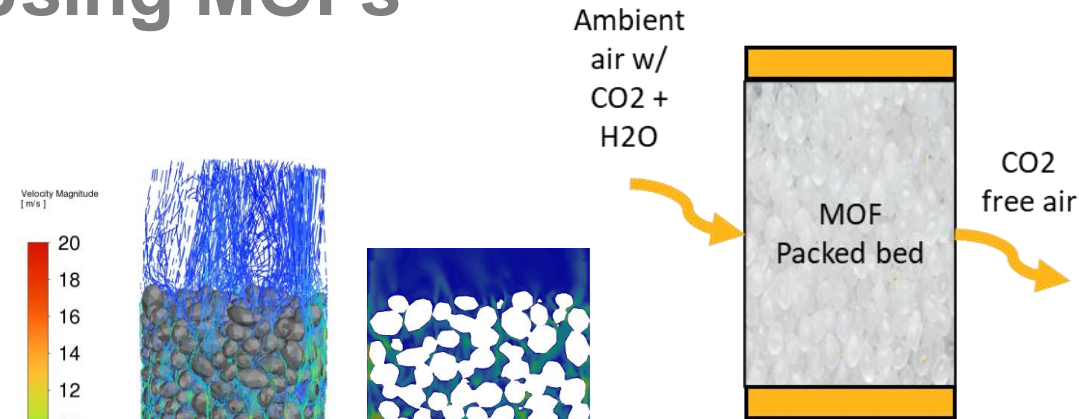
- Evaluate the performance of **Metal-Organic Frameworks (MOFs)** on adsorption of carbon dioxide from ambient air
- Predict **particle bed porosity and permeability**.
- Evaluate effects of particle **swelling/deswelling** on pressure drop and porosity.

Ansyes Solution

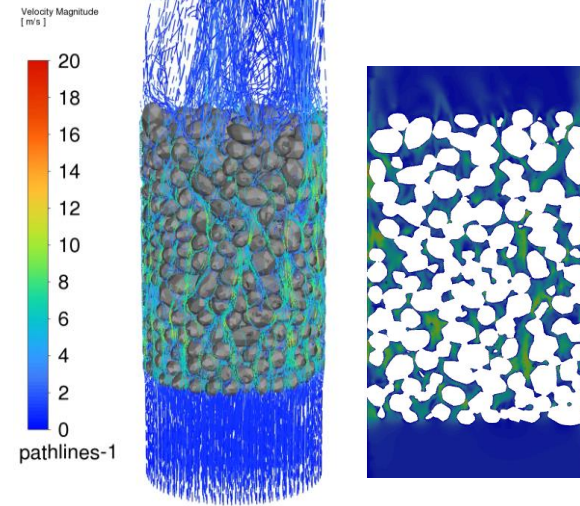
- Particle bed generation with **real particle shape** of the MOF. (Rocky, Fluent)
- **Custom model** for adsorption/swelling in DEM-CFD coupled simulations. (Rocky, Fluent)

Outcome

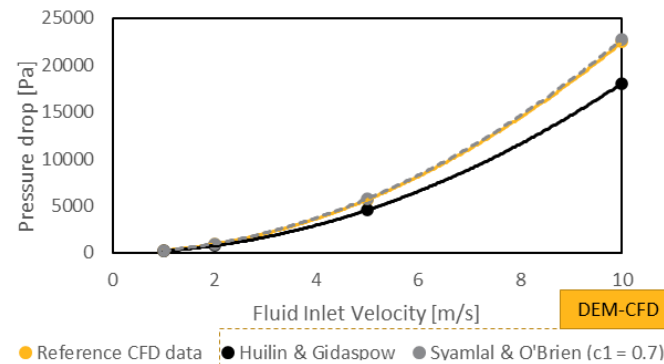
- The DEM-CFD approach enables **analyzing species concentration** for each particle in the domain, as well as **volume and mass change** of the particles.
- Find the **particle shape and size distribution** that provides the desired **pressure drop** and **porosity conditions**.



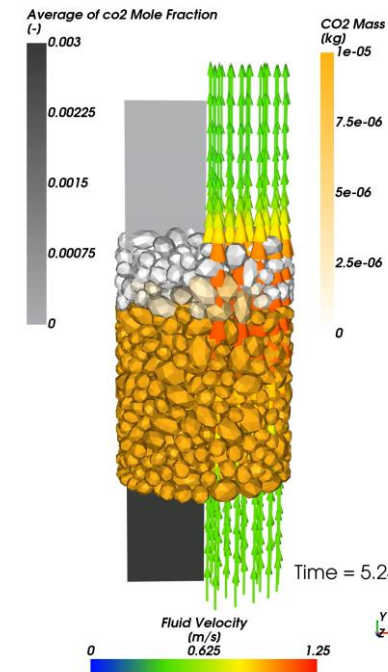
Metal-organic-framework materials act as a sponge to capture the CO₂ chemically



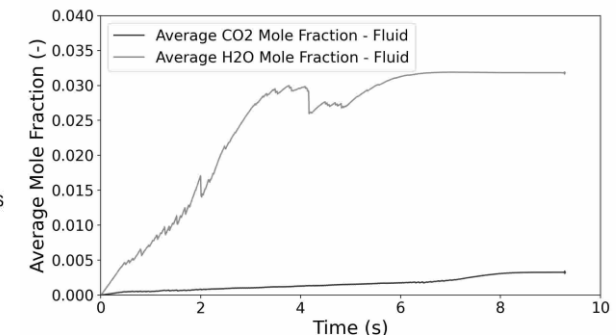
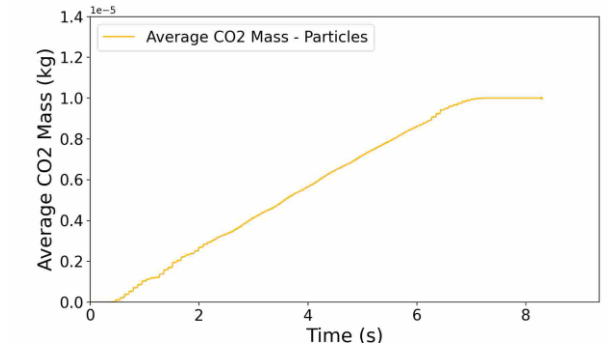
Velocity profile from standalone CFD



DEM-CFD Drag law calibration



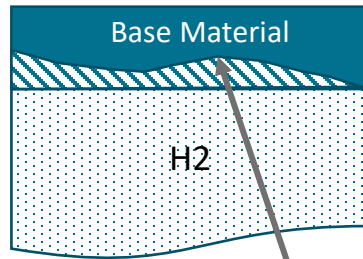
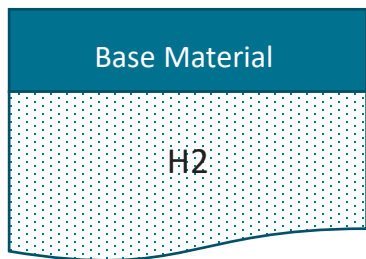
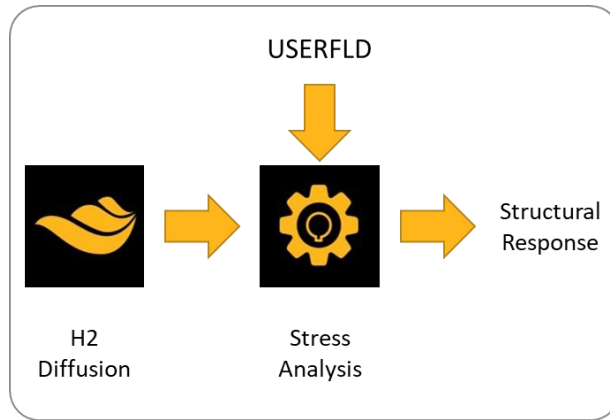
Adsorption Results of CFD-DEM



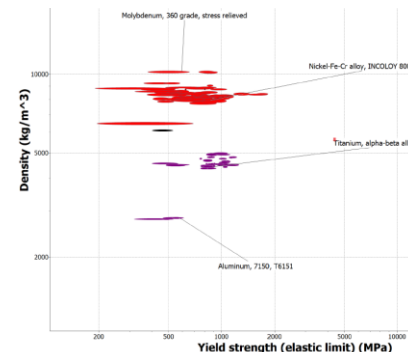
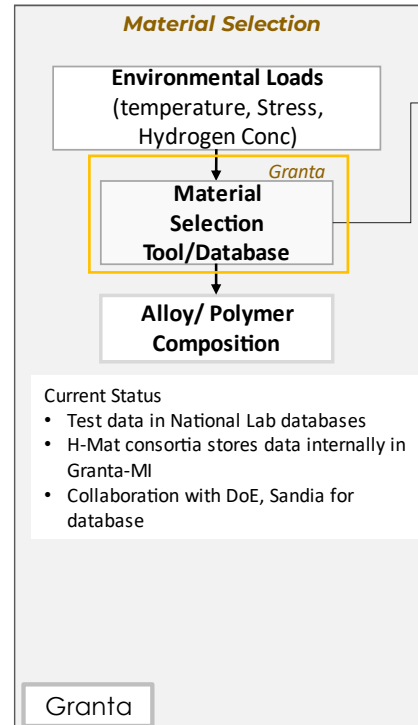
Hydrogen Storage & Transportation: Embrittlement

Challenges

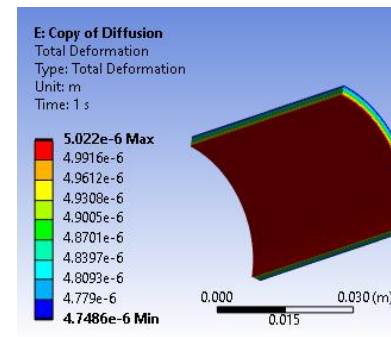
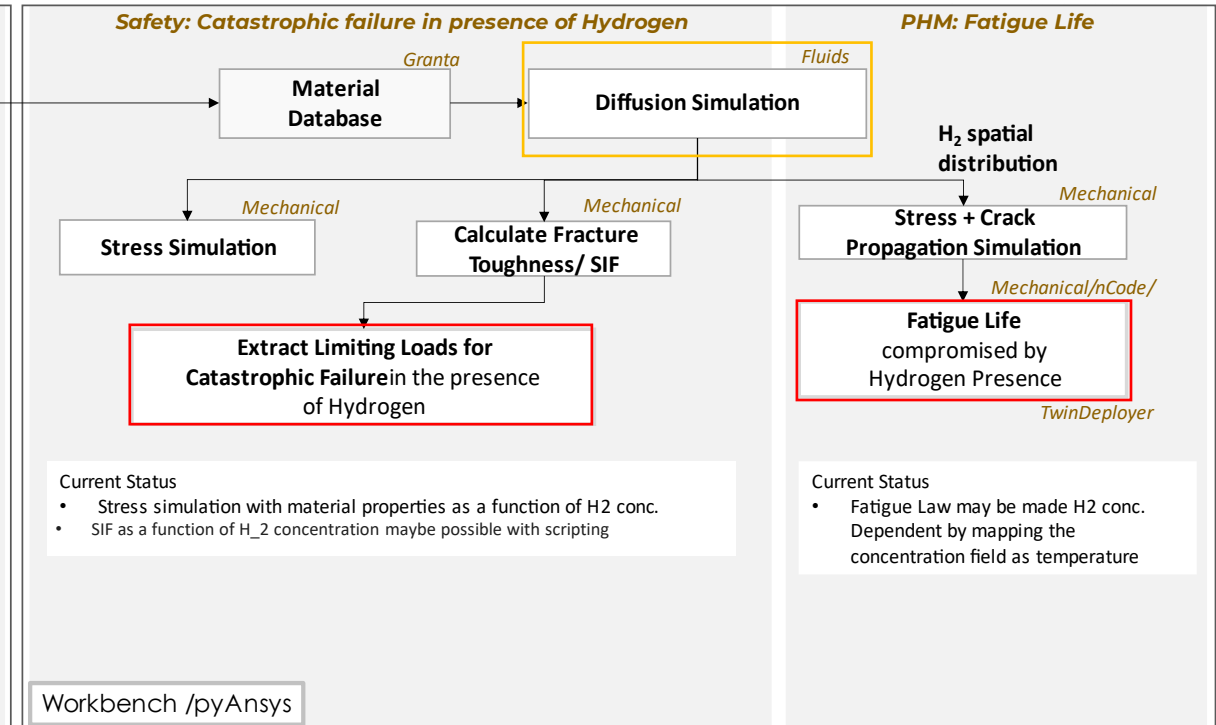
- Hydrogen atoms diffuse into high-strength steels, causing brittleness and sudden failure.
- Lack of standardized testing of material properties as a function of hydrogen concentration
- Prediction is complex due to material microstructure, stress states, and hydrogen diffusion.



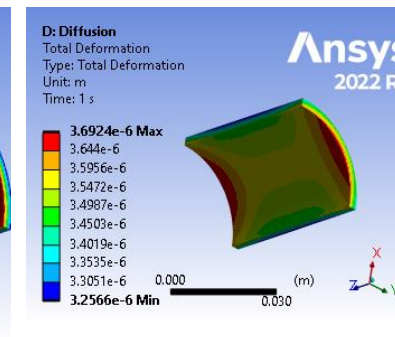
Degraded Material



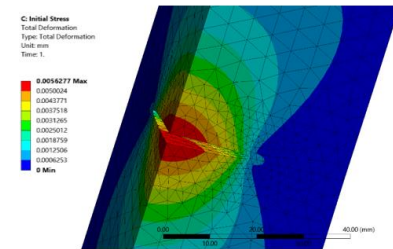
Granta Selector for light, brittle resistant and cost-effective material identification



Deformation without Diffusion



Deformation with Diffusion



Crack propagation

H2 Utilization: Ammonia Combustion

Challenge

- Utilize ammonia effectively to produce hydrogen through thermal cracking
- Manage low reactivity of ammonia (NH₃)
- Control NO_x emission and avoid ammonia slip (unburnt Ammonia)

Solution

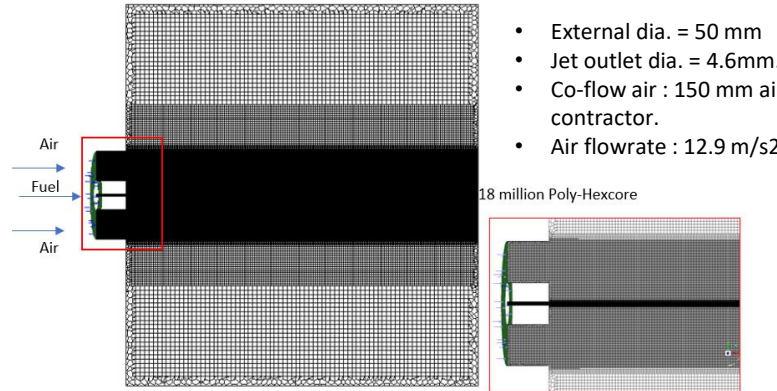
- Accurate combustion simulations using finite rate (FR) and Flamelet-Generated Manifold (FGM) combustion models | Ability to include larger reaction mechanisms in the simulations. (Fluent)
- Fast solves using the highly scalable CFD solver on hundreds of thousands of cores for faster design iterations. (Fluent, HPC)

Benefits

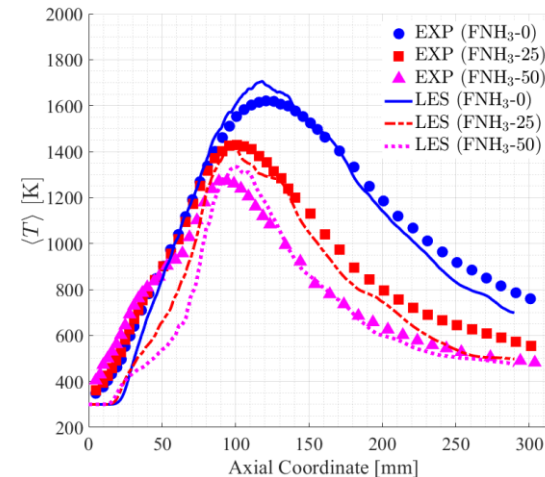
- **Understand flame characteristics** of ammonia and ammonia blended fuels | ammonia slip | stable operating points.

Objective

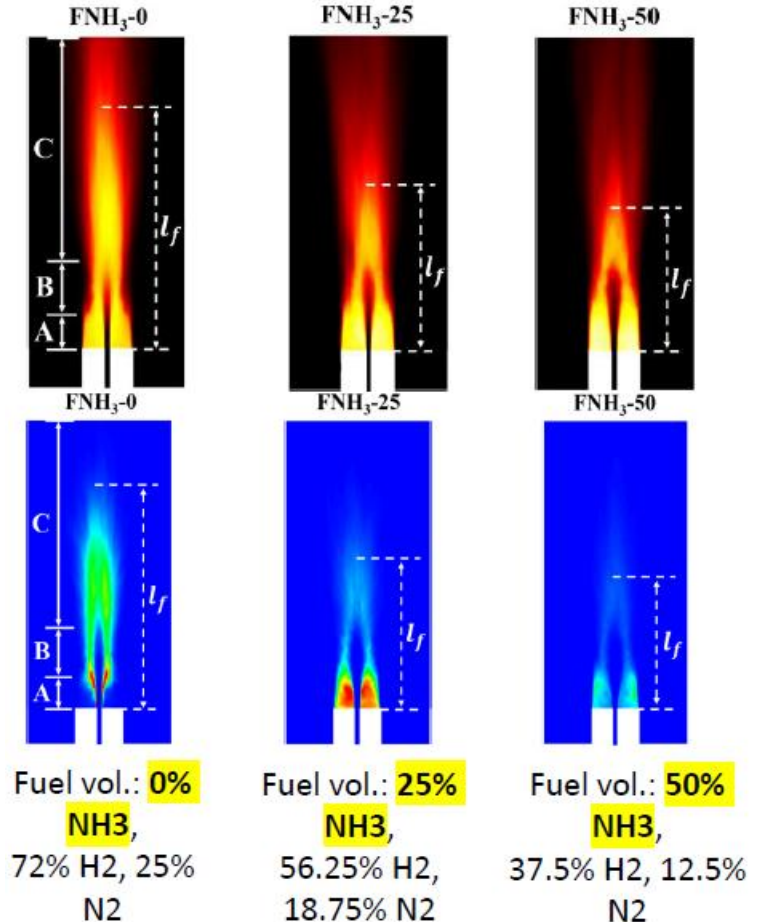
Predict Change in flame shape with the increase in cracking ratio (represented H₂-N₂ percentage, KAUST Flame)



- External dia. = 50 mm
- Jet outlet dia. = 4.6mm.
- Co-flow air : 150 mm air contractor.
- Air flowrate : 12.9 m/s²



Adamu A., Ayman M. E., Jiajun L., Suliman A., Hong G. Im, Bassam D., [Combustion and Flame, Volume 258, Part 2, 2023.](#)



l_f : effective flame length, **Zone A**: mixing & recirculation, **Zone B**: "neck" zone, **Zone C**: expanded jet flame

Flame length decreases as NH₃ increases, and the global mixture reactivity reduces

Accelerating Hydrogen adoption with Digital Twin

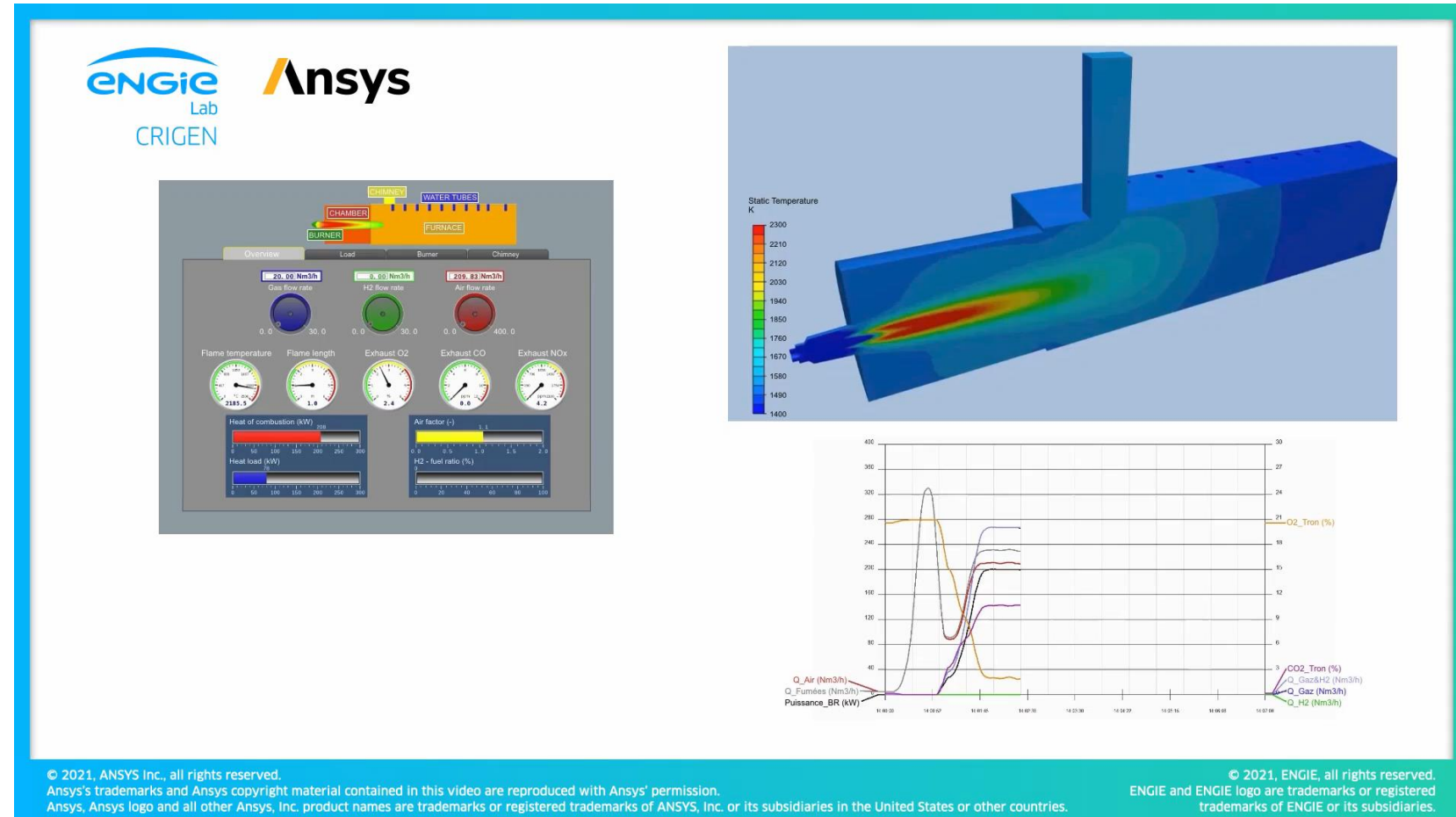


Objective

- ENGIE is helping their customers **accelerate the transition to zero carbon**.
- To achieve this, they need to **optimize combustion system, operation, reduce system failure risk, and reduce maintenance cost**

Solution & Value

- Through its collaboration with Ansys, ENGIE Lab CRIGEN – the ENGIE Group's corporate center for R&D and high-level expertise is developing an **ultrafast and high-fidelity simulation based digital twin** to:
 - Maximize the **efficiency**
 - Make industrial equipment sustainable by boosting **product reliability**
 - Help evaluate **new concepts** in energy production (hydrogen etc.)
 - Improve **product performance** during operation through **predictive maintenance** and asset performance management decisions.
 - Control industrial processes, anticipate **carbon reduction** challenges and **lower maintenance costs**



Energy's Sustainability Pillars



Low-Carbon Energy Solutions

- Hydrogen value chain
- Carbon capture
- Renewable energy
- Nuclear energy
- Electrification
- Material circularity

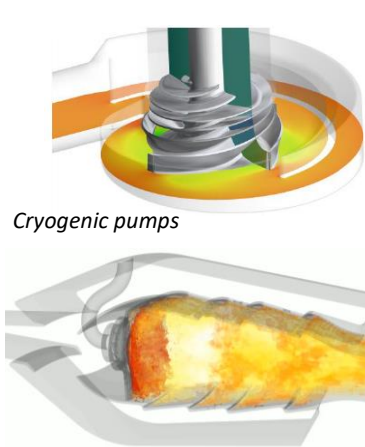


Efficiency Improvements

- Fuel production
 - Up/ Mid/ Downstream
- Energy conversion
 - Electricity/ Heat/ Motion
- Operational efficiencies, assets & processes



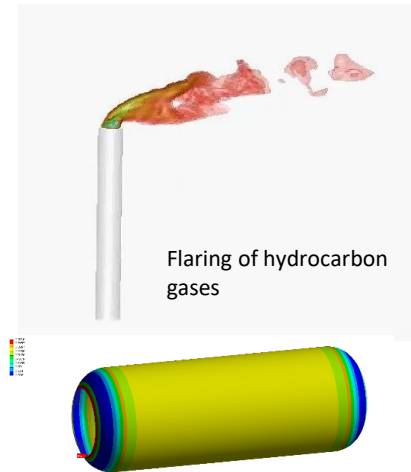
Fluidized beds



Gas turbine

Advancing Energy Reliability and Affordability

- Safe and reliable energy production and transmission
- Energy storage solutions
- Integrated energy systems
- Life and performance prediction



Flaring of hydrocarbon gases

Identify critical location and failure mode

Acceleration Through Digital Transformation

- Digital assets, simulation
- Digital twins
- System simulations
- AI/ML applications
- Additive manufacturing
- AR/VR
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Edge computing



Simulation is playing a vital role in helping industries transformation to green energy effectively

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