

What to Expect in CONVERGE Version 3.0

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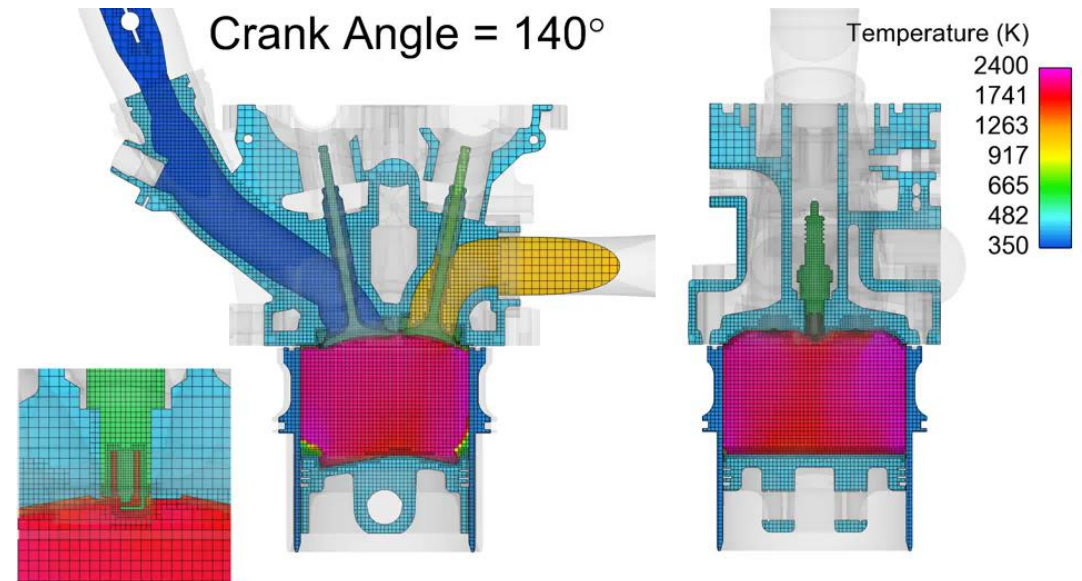
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Overview

- New combustion models and utilities (version 2.4+)
- Major 3.0 new features
 - Boundary layer meshes
 - General periodic boundaries
 - Enhanced solvers
 - YAML input files
- Version 3.0 code restructuring
 - Memory reduction
 - Load balance
 - Data structures
 - Post processing files



New Combustion Models (V2.4+)

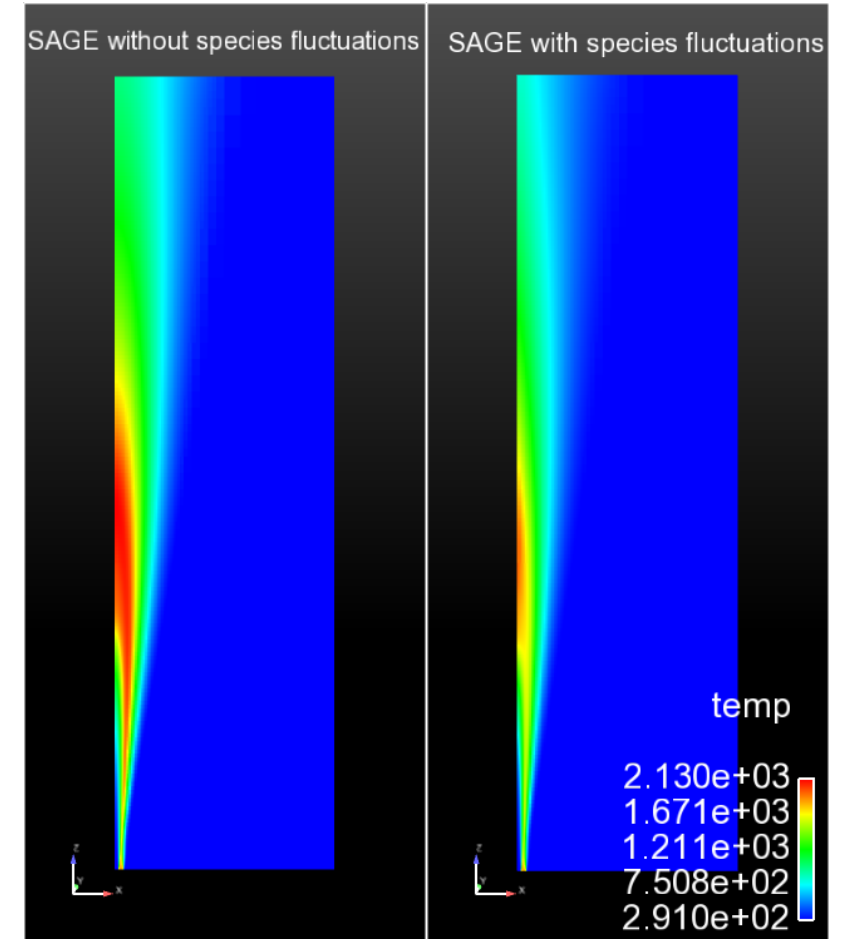
SAGE with Species and Temperature Fluctuations (1/2)

- In RANS, the species and temperature fluctuations effects can be considered during chemical source evaluation.
- A three-point PDF is proposed for both diffusion flame and premixed flame.

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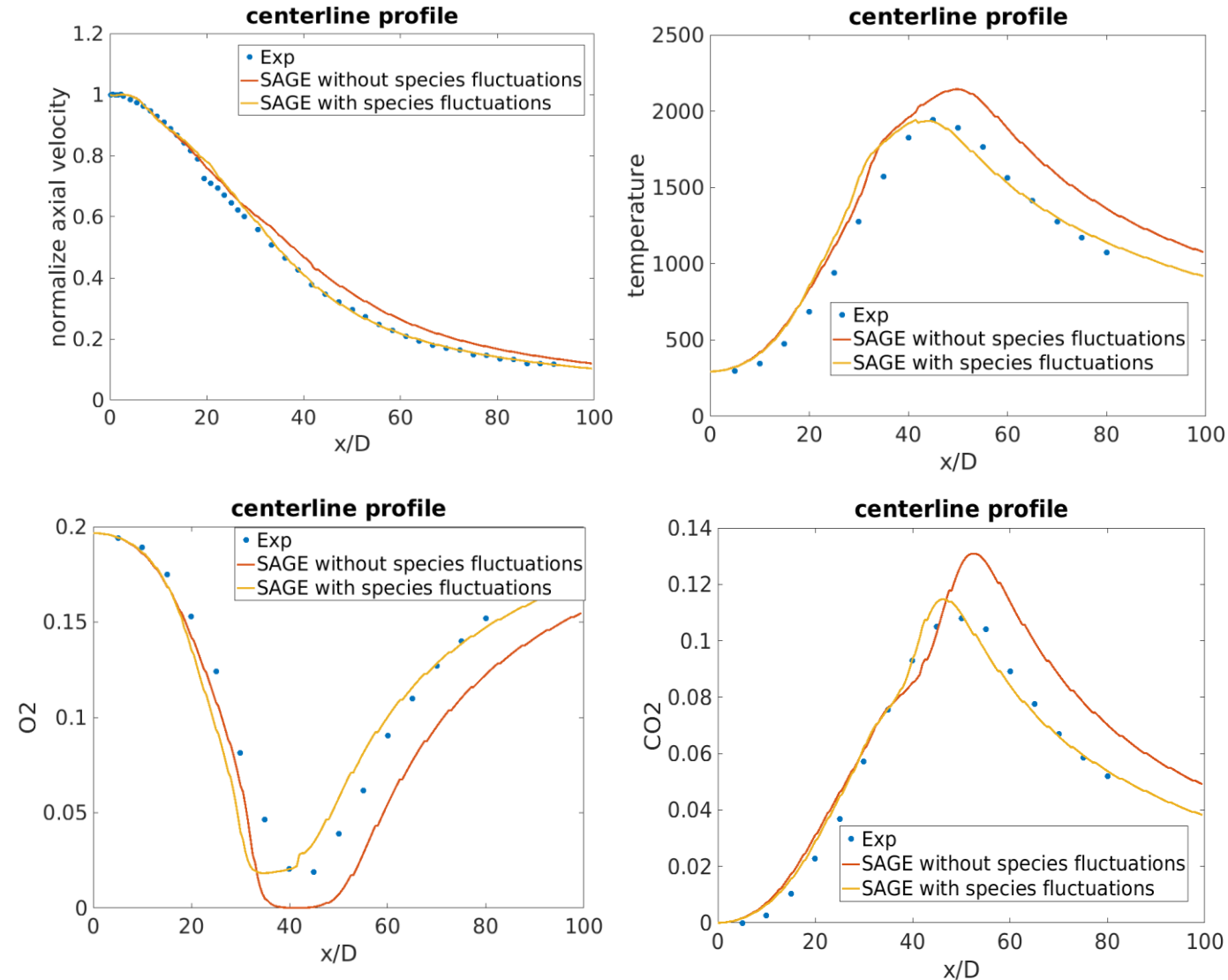


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Flame D

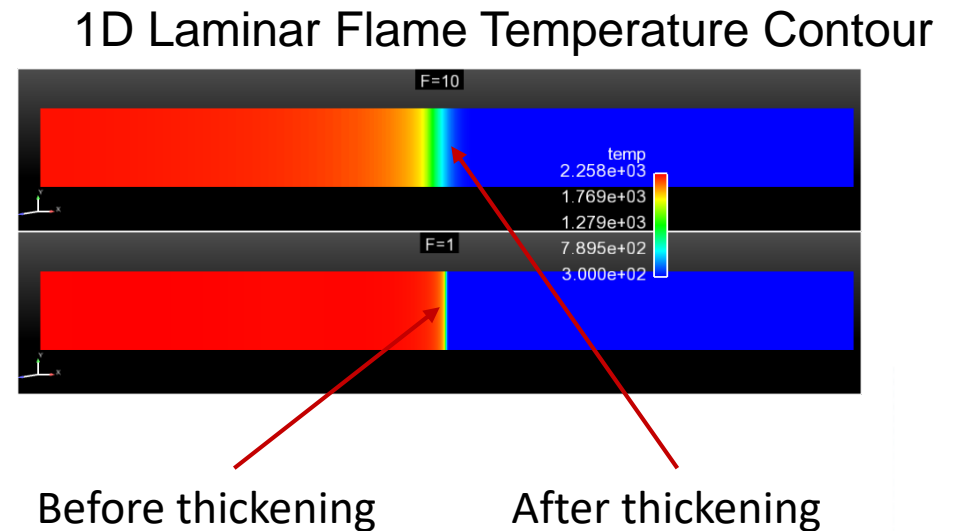
SAGE with Species and Temperature Fluctuations (2/2)



Results with species fluctuations are more consistent with the experimental measurements.

Thickened Flame Model

- The thickened flame model is an effective premix combustion model for LES
- Very popular among gas turbine applications
- Can give reasonable results with relative coarse grid for turbulent premixed flames
- Can be easily coupled with detailed chemistry/emission



Species Based ECFM/ECFM3Z Model

- Original ECFM approach uses a passive based progress variable
 - Incoherence in transport/diffusion of species and passives
 - Need to use first order upwind
 - Progress variable not zero in unburned gases before combustion
- Species based progress variable
 - Solves the issues above
 - Allows the detailed chemistry/emission coupling
 - Allows multi-component fuel

$$\tilde{c} = 1 - \frac{\tilde{Y}_F}{\tilde{Y}_{FT}}$$

$$\tilde{c} = \frac{\sum_i \tilde{Y}_i^b}{\sum_i \tilde{Y}_i^u + \sum_i \tilde{Y}_i^b}$$



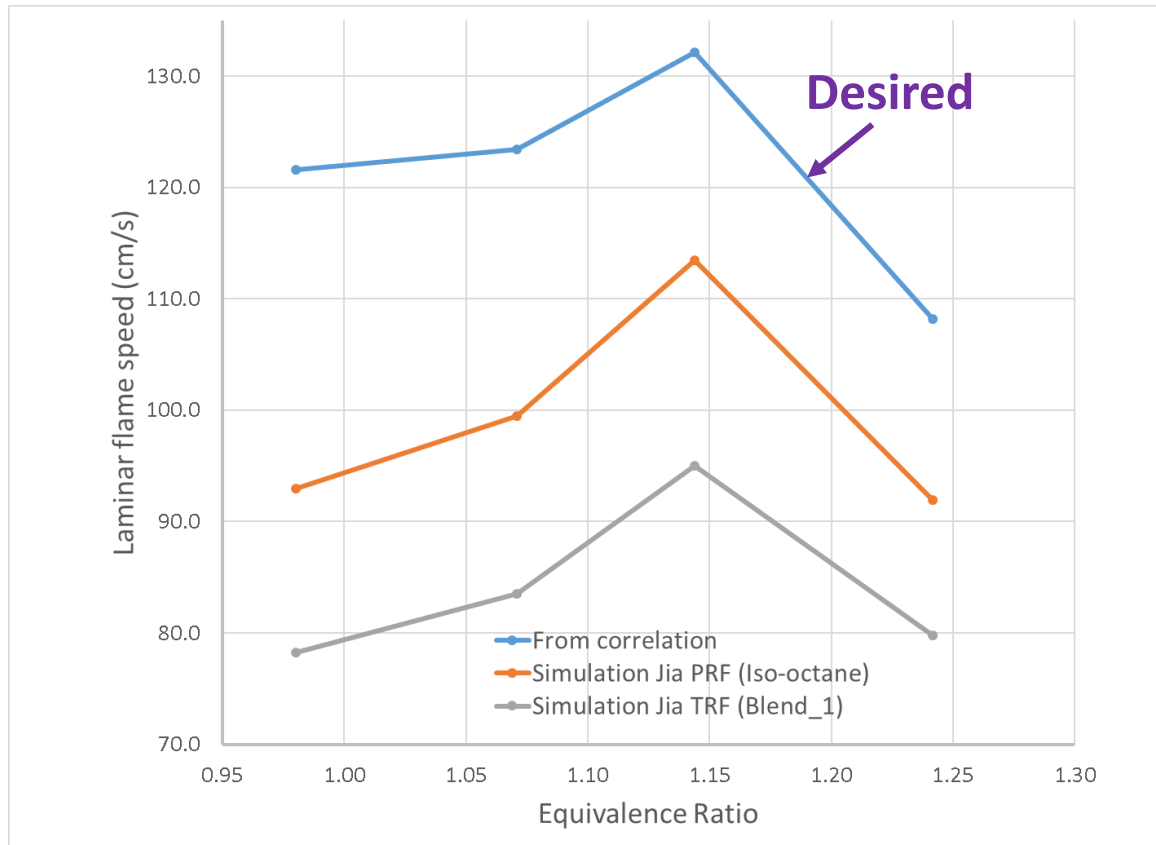
New Combustion Utilities (V2.4+)

Mechanism Optimization (1/3)

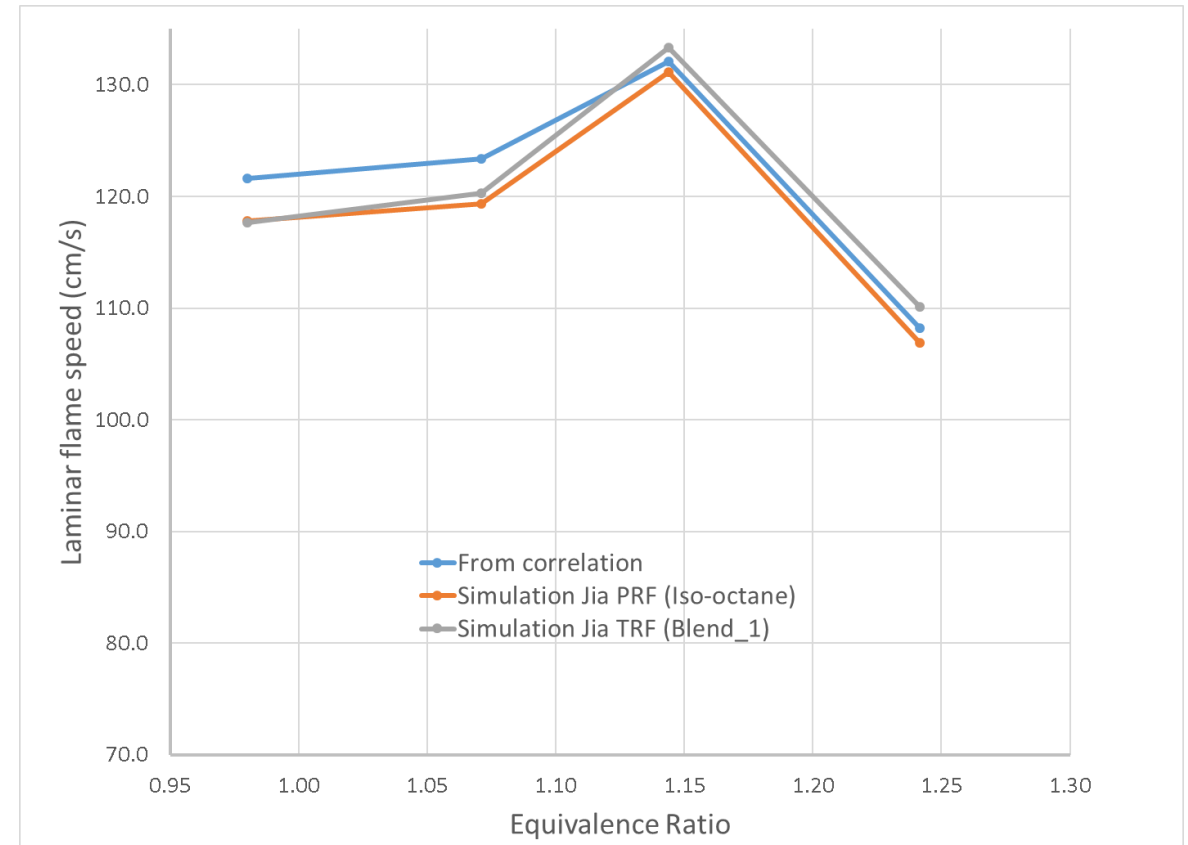
- Reducing from the detailed mechanisms will introduce errors
 - Reduction is often based on ignition delays only
 - Reduced conditions may not cover all the conditions in a real IC engine
- Mechanisms optimization is an option to improve the accuracy
 - Without increasing the mechanism size or computational cost
 - Optimization can be performed on:
 - ignition delay (0D)
 - laminar flame speed (1D)
 - 3D results
- Implemented by coupling of CONVERGE chemistry utilities and Congo (GA)

Mechanism Optimization (2/3)

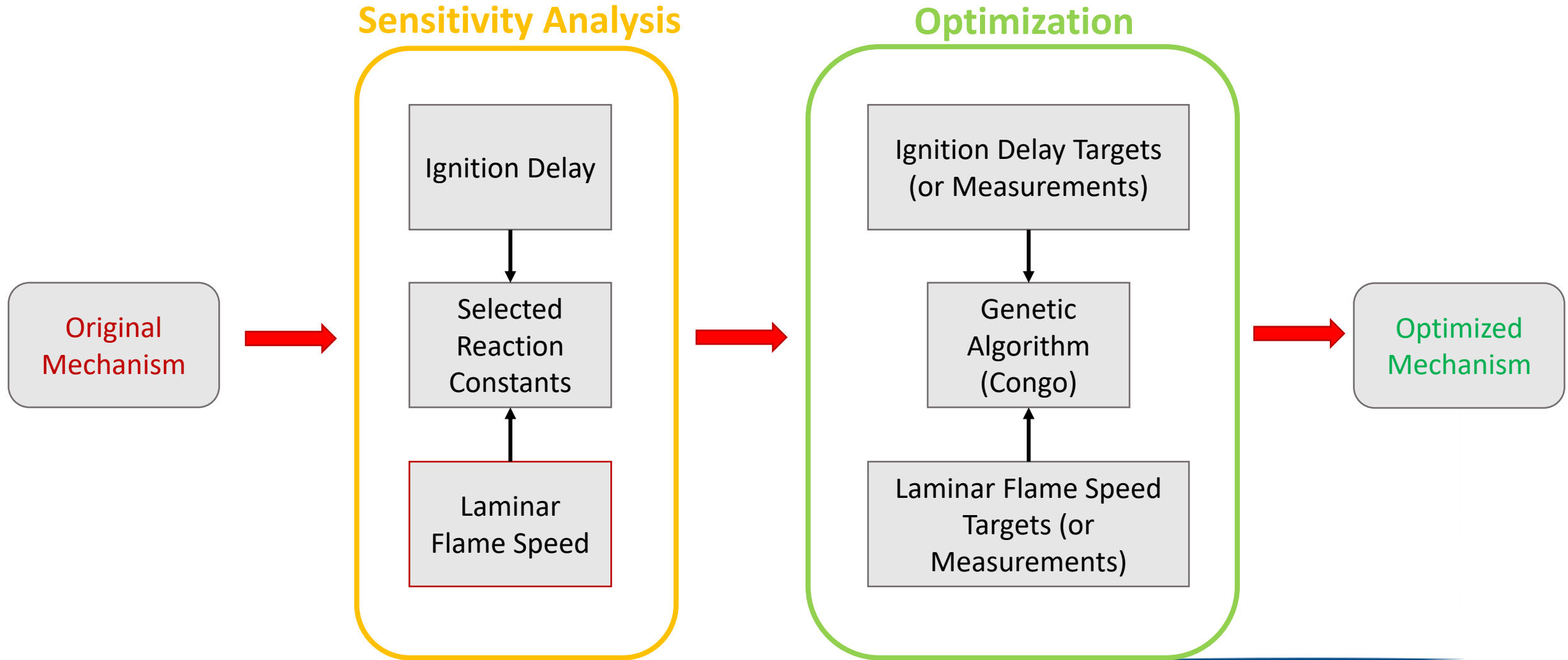
Before



After

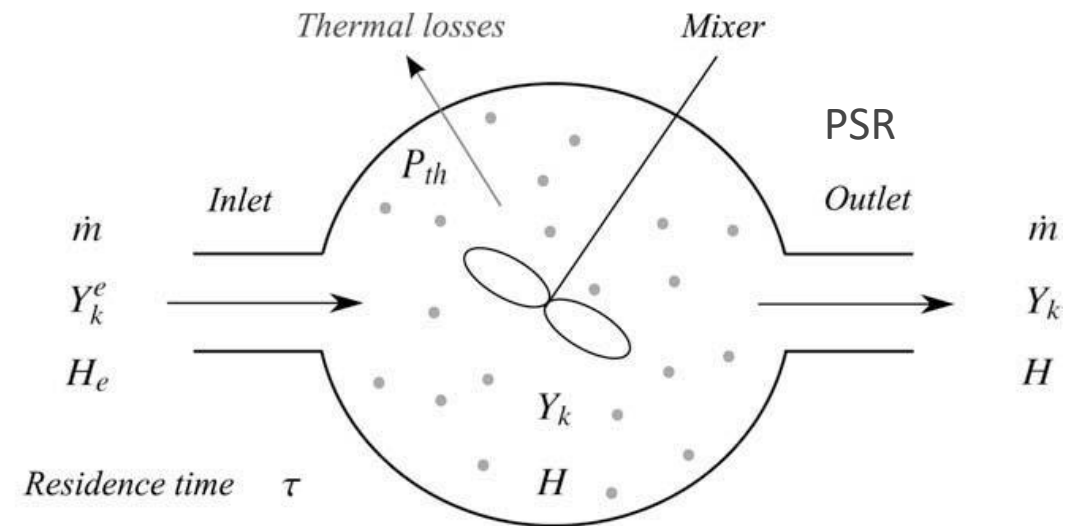


Mechanism Optimization (3/3)



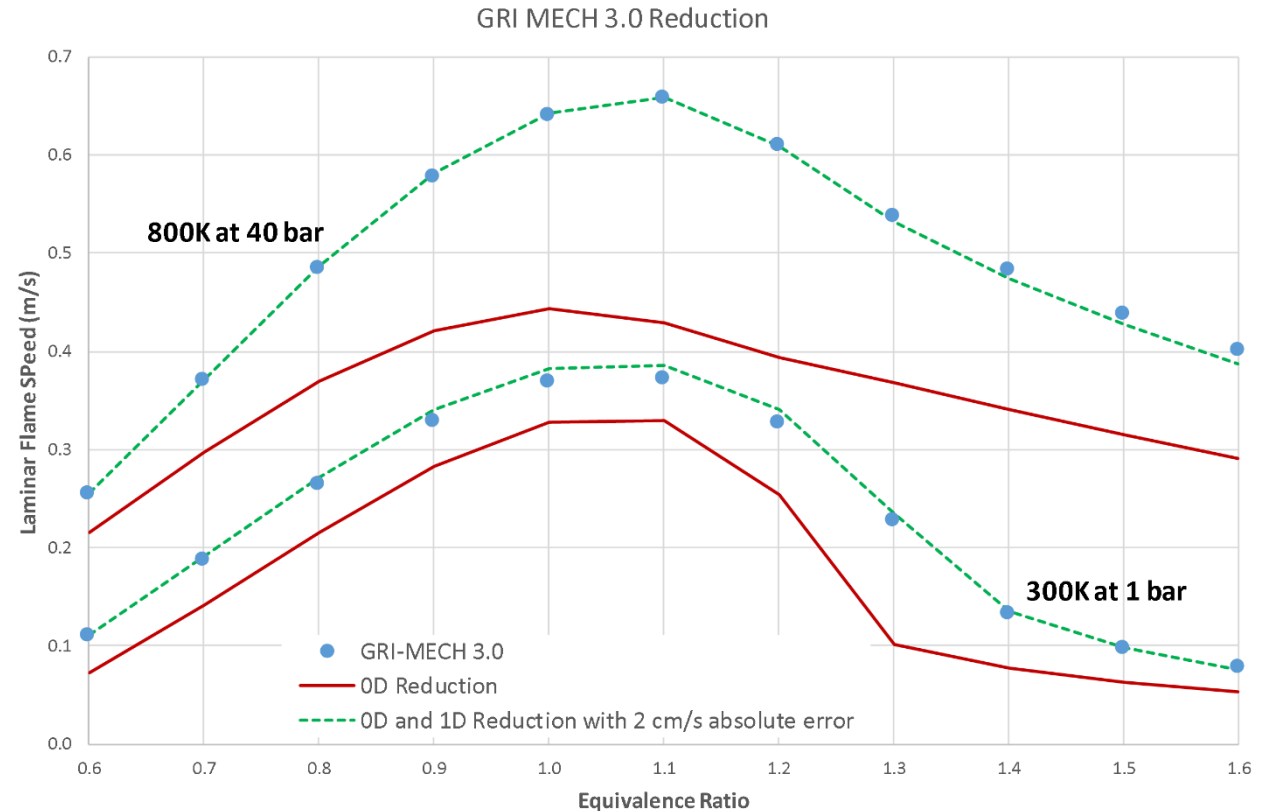
Chemistry Tools/Utilities (1/2)

- A variety of 0D and 1D chemistry tools will be available for mechanism optimization and validation
 - Perfect stirred reactor (PSR)
 - Plug flow reactor (PFR)
 - Jet stirred reactors (JSR)
 - Rapid compression machine (RCM)
 - 0D engine
 - Opposed flow diffusion flame
 - Improved 1D laminar flame speed solver for large mechanisms and engine conditions
- New license policy on 0D and 1D tools
 - Allows running of an **unlimited** number of 0D and 1D cases with a single valid license



Chemistry Tools/Utilities (2/2)

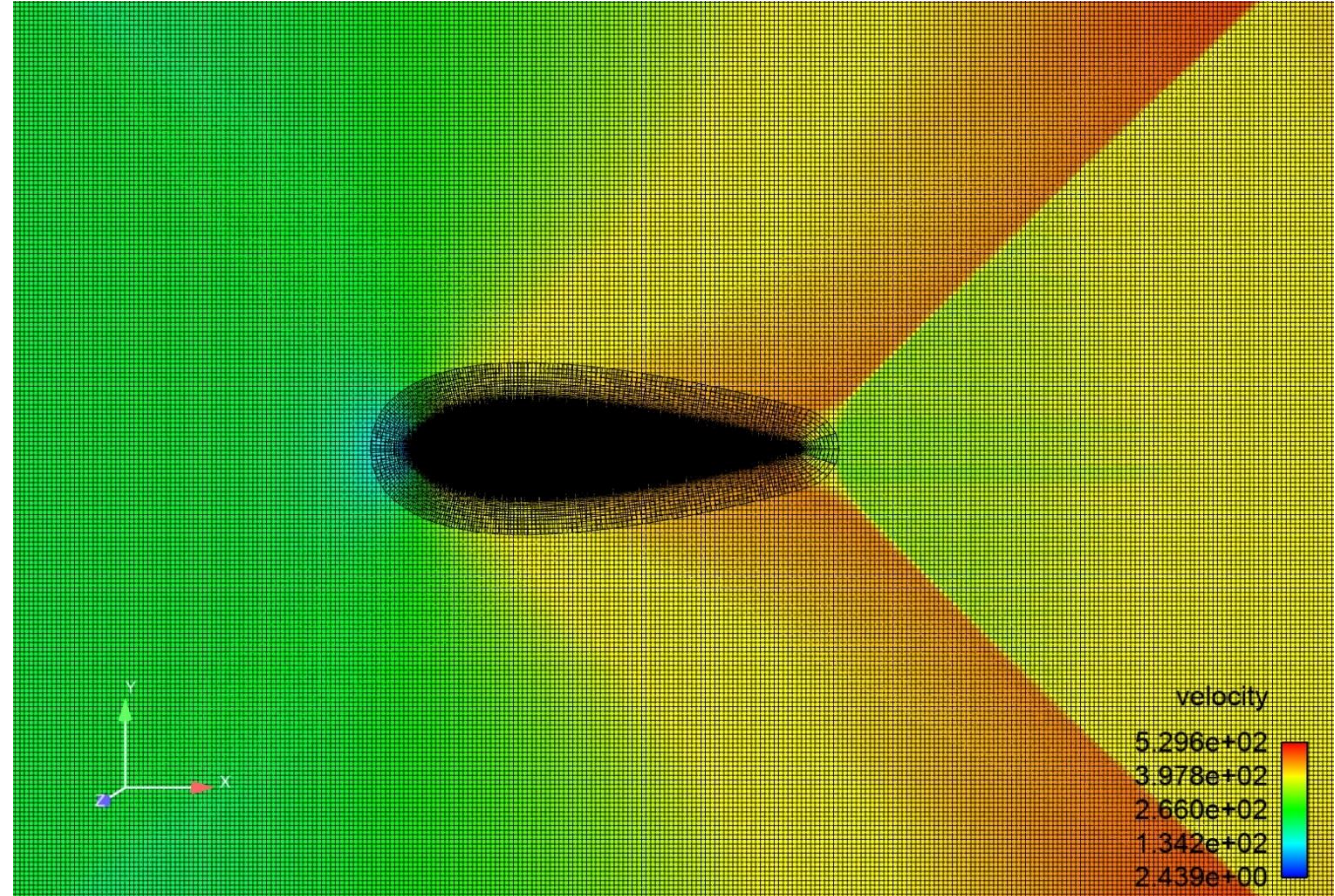
- Improved mechanism reduction
 - Mechanism reduction can include laminar flame speed
- Automated flame speed table generation
 - HDF5 flame-speed database file
 - Supports dual fuel
 - can be coupled with G-equation, ECFM, and FGM



Boundary Layer Meshes

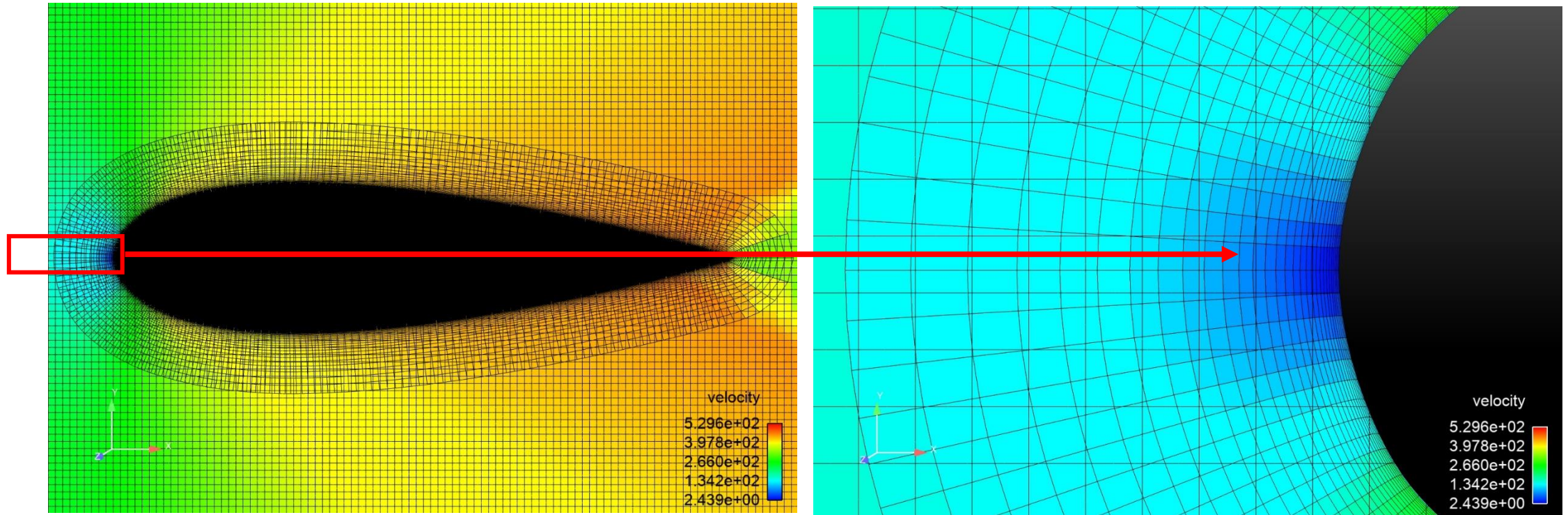
Boundary Layer Meshes (1/2)

- Boundary layer implementation will take advantage of existing CONVERGE functionality to more easily implement the feature
 - Cell pairing
 - Partial children
 - FLOW THROUGH interfaces
- Boundary layer mesh setup to be automatically created at runtime in the solver
- User to specify resolution and adaption parameters through inputs
- NOT an overset approach—cells will naturally transition at interface to orthogonal mesh



Boundary Layer Meshes (2/2)

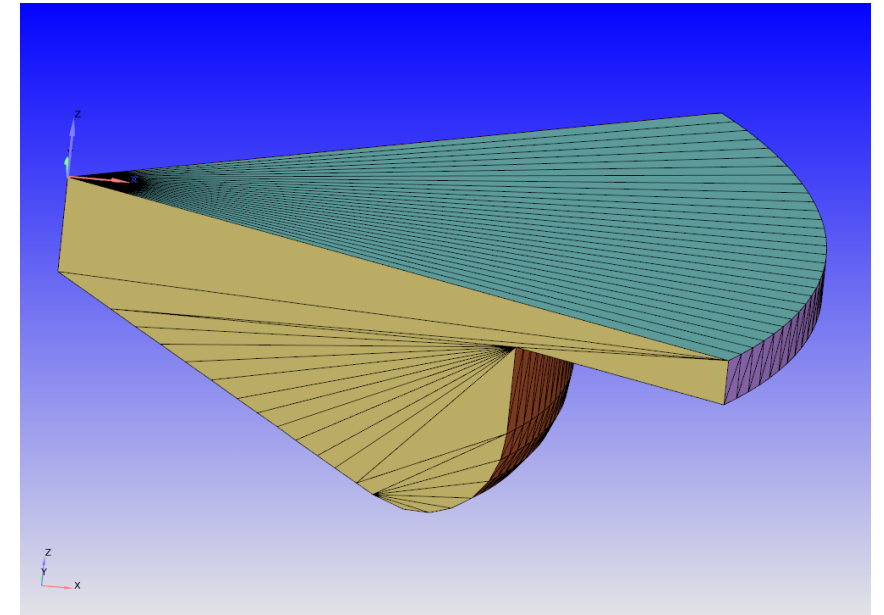
Velocity field in a flow over airfoil



General Periodic Boundaries

General Periodic Boundaries

- Current periodic boundaries are very restricted
 - Can only have a single transformation matrix for all boundaries
 - Must be planar
 - Must be symmetric about the x-z plane
- New implementation much more flexible
 - Boundary faces need not be planar
 - Can be intersected by parts (e.g. gas turbine blades)
 - Any orientation
 - Any number of periodic faces and transformations
- CONVERGE will be able to solve the hard problem of flow in a box



Enhanced Solvers

Rainbow SOR (1/2)

- Solver results will not change even if you change the number of threads/processors
- Facilitates threading
- 3D non-uniform graph variation on Red/Black SOR
 - Color graph in parallel (order n)
 - Reorder solved nodes by color
- Each color is solved in parallel thus maintaining Gauss-Seidel [no Jacobi on processor boundaries]

Acceleration of Pressure SOR using Optimal Omega

- Maximum Eigenvalue is estimated from the rate of convergence
- Optimal omega is estimated from the max Eigenvalue estimate
- For problems requiring lots of pressure iterations, can reduce the total number of iterations by an order of magnitude

$$\lambda_{\max} = \lim \left(\frac{\|\delta^{(k)}\|}{\|\delta^{(k-1)}\|} \right)$$

Check after 10 SOR iterations

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{(\lambda_{\max} + \omega - 1)}{\lambda_{\max} \omega^2}}}$$

$$\omega = \omega_0 - \frac{2 - \omega_0}{4}$$

Optimal Omega updated after every 10 SOR iterations

YAML Formatted Input Files

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- Standardized format
- Easily manipulated with scripting languages such as Python
- Simplifies backwards compatibility between versions
- More flexible parsing to handle missing features that are turned off

```
version: 3.0
filename: inputs
---
surface_filename:          surface.dat
mechanism_filename:        mech.dat
thermodynamic_filename:    therm.dat
simulation_control:
  crank_flag:              false
  start_time:              -490.0
  end_time:                180.0
  restart_flag:            false
  restart_number:          0
  map_flag:                false
  check_grid_motion_flag:  0
  parallel_scale:          -4
  load_cyc:                100
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  random_seed:             0
output_control:
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    post:
      interval:            99999
    transfer:
      interval:            10.0
    files:
      interval:            0.0001
    restart:
      interval:            99999
  screen_print_level:      0
  num_restart_files:       1
  write_map_flag:          0
  wall_output_flag:        0
  transfer_flag:           0
  mixing_output_flag:      1
  species_output_flag:     1
  region_flow_flag:        2
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Version 3.0 Code Restructuring

High Performance Computing Challenges

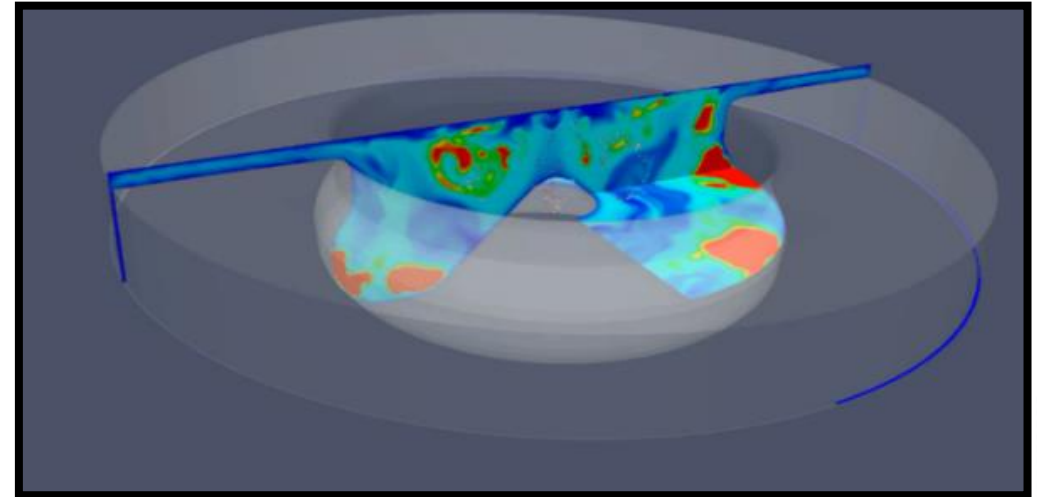
- Lower RAM per core
 - Case setup must be completely scalable
- Slower clock speeds
 - Performance on supercomputers is typically measured in FLOPS per watt
- I/O on limited number of nodes
- Low tolerance for out-of-order instructions
 - Vectorization is important again



Titan supercomputer at Oak Ridge National Laboratory

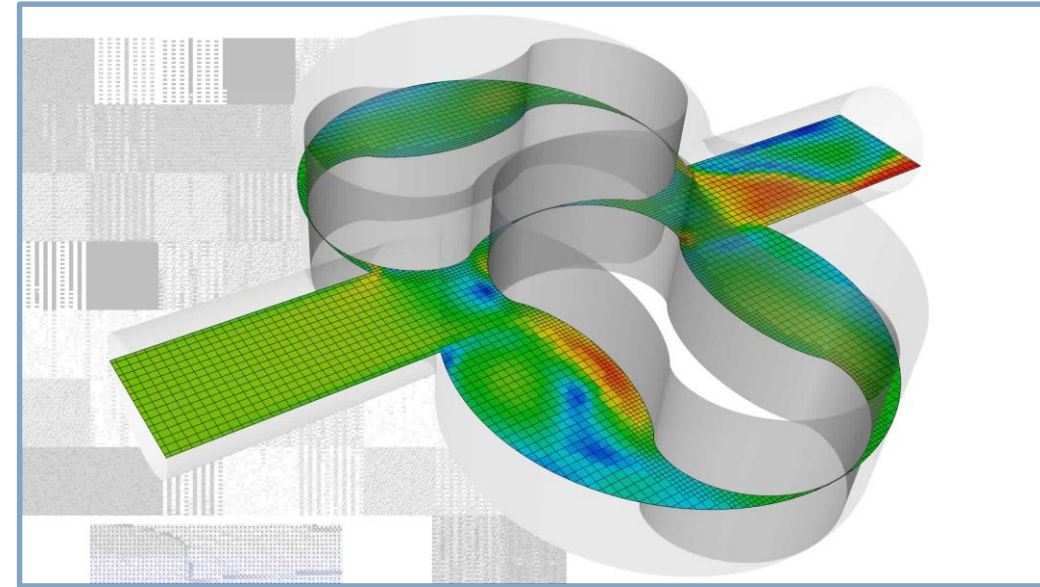
Collaborators on 3.0 Development

- Argonne National Lab
- Oak Ridge National Lab
- Lawrence Livermore National Lab
- IFPEN
- Intel
- NVIDIA



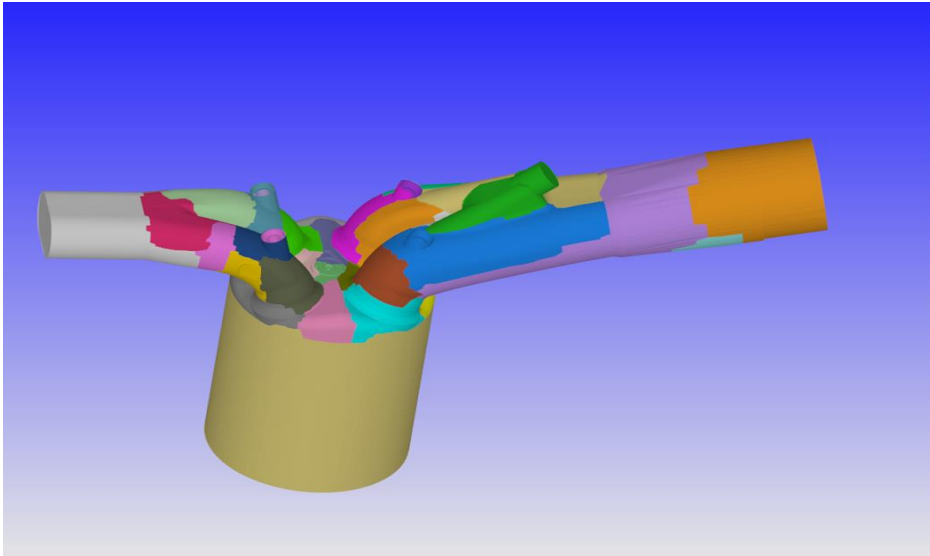
Current Memory Constraints

- Current CONVERGE stores the surface and parallel map on all processors
 - These portions represent a fixed memory cost on all processors
 - Cases with a large number of cores typically require more parallel blocks, thus requiring a larger fixed memory cost on each core
- For 100's of cores, the fixed memory is not a major issue
- For 1000's of cores, the memory is a deal-breaker
- These issues addressed in version 3.0

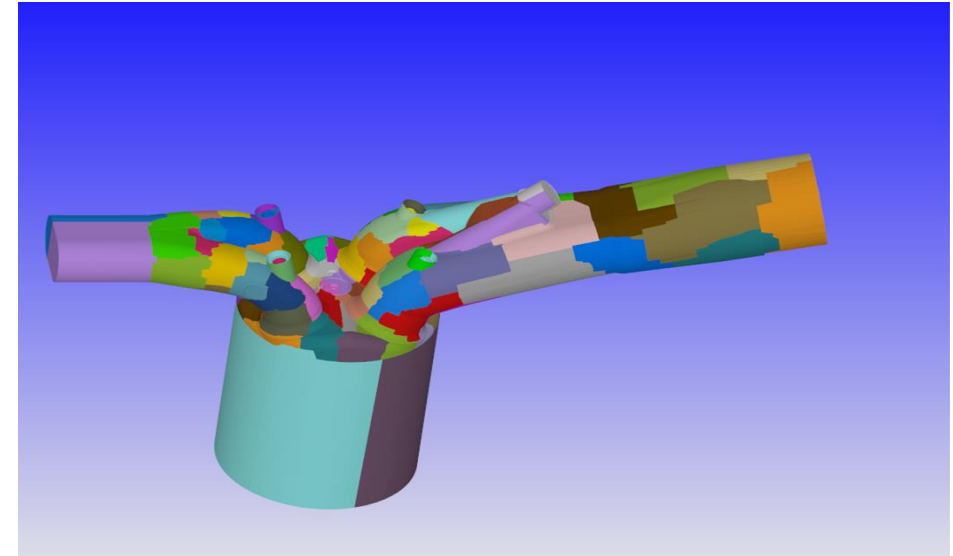


Distributed Surface

- Distributing the surface allow for proper scaling of memory required for the geometry



48 Partitions



128 Partitions

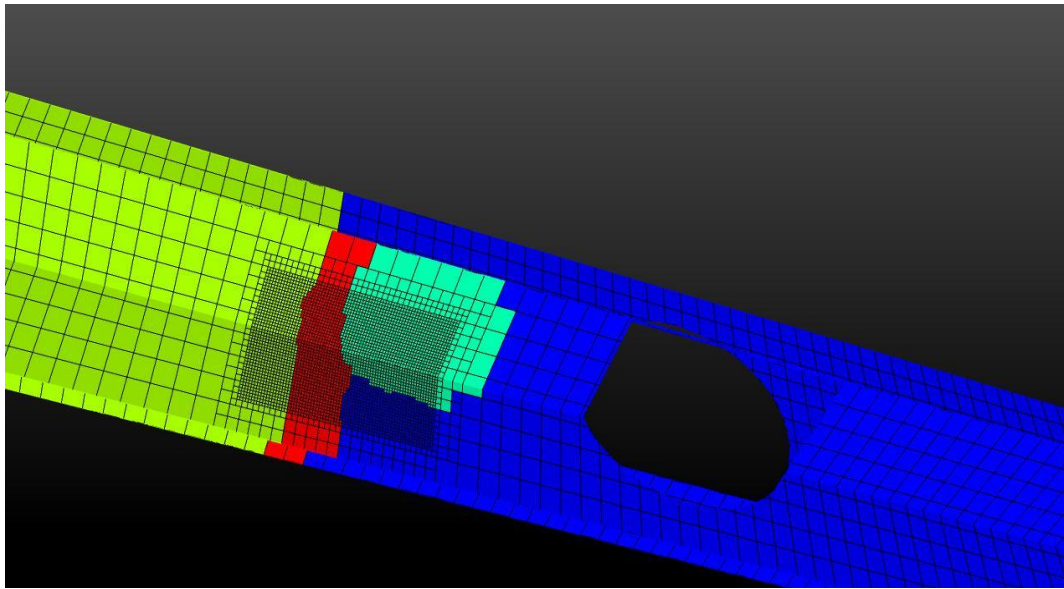
Cell Based Load Balance (1/2)

- In current CONVERGE, domain partitioning is done on blocks coarser than the solution grid
 - This can cause poor distribution of workload in cases with high embed scales
- Starting with CONVERGE 3.0 the solution grid will be partitioned directly
 - This allows us to get a good load balance for all solution meshes, even with lots of embedding and/or AMR
- No parallel map is stored on each processor
 - No fixed memory cost
- Automatic detection of need for load balance
 - No user parameters need to be specified for load balance

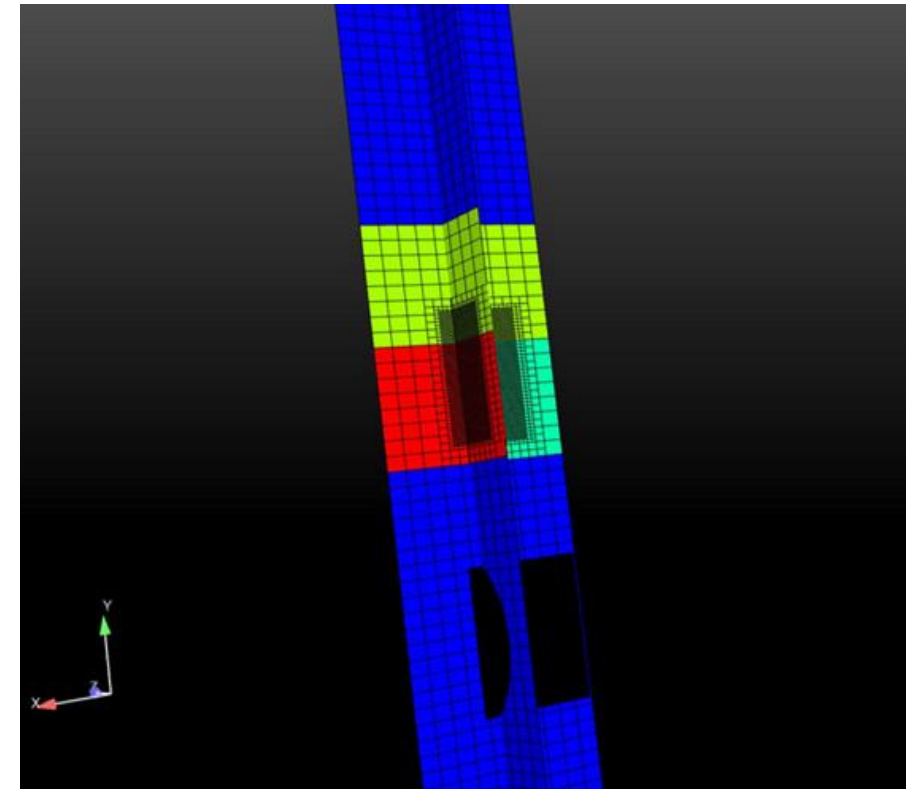
Cell Based Load Balance (2/2)

Processor	Block-based partitioning	Cell-based partitioning
1	11346	25684
2	46874	24542
3	25057	26332
4	19951	24094

Cell-based

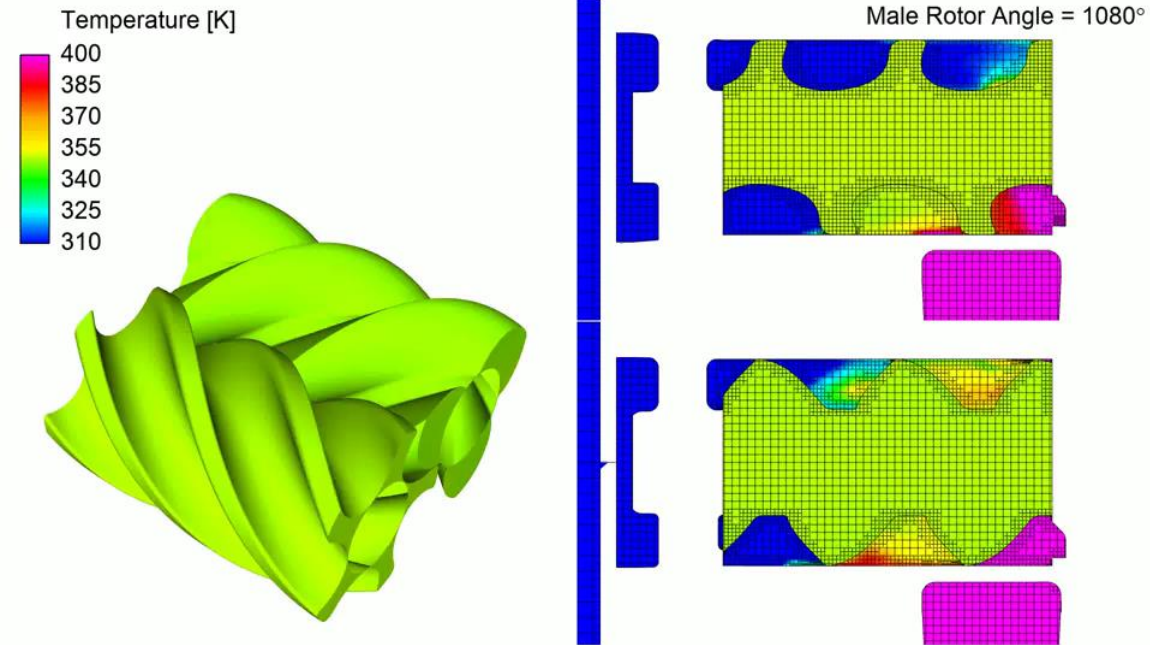


Block-based



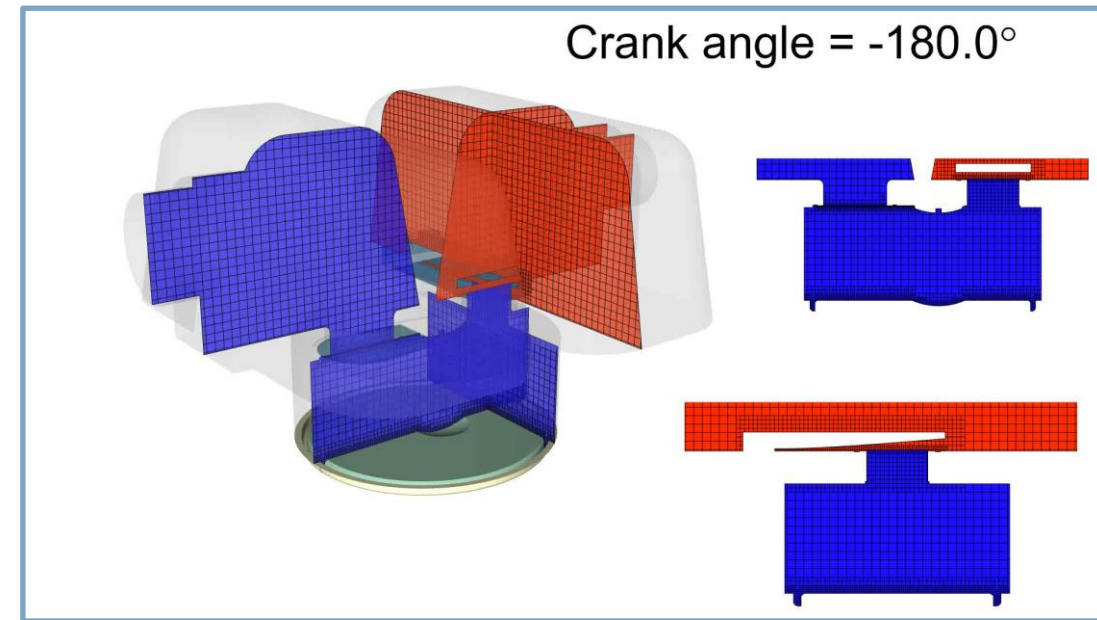
Data Structure Redesign

- Object oriented focus
- Improved scalability
- Hybrid MPI/Threading support
- Smaller memory footprint
- Vectorized operators
- Added flexibility for quicker/dependable feature delivery
- Easier-to-use UDF's



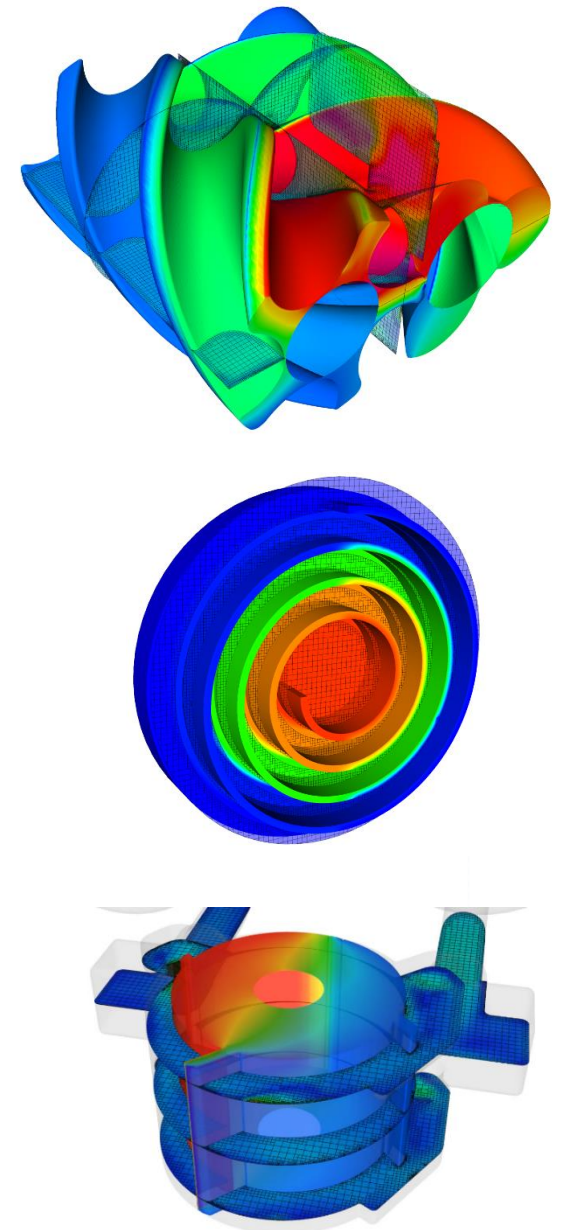
Improved User Experience

- Complete UDF API overhaul
- Simplified Object Oriented API
- Improved documentation utilizing Doxygen standard
- Improved sample code readability
- Improved compatibility (fewer rebuilds required)
- Seamless optimized data structures and operators
- Support for a variety of programming languages (Fortran, python)



Large Output Files

- Post, restart, and map files to be written in HDF5 format
- HPC industry standard with proven performance/scalability track record
- View/Edit binary output files (map/restart/post) files using standard HDF5 tools
- No post_convert step for most post processors
- Easily fine tune your machine's performance using MPI I/O hints

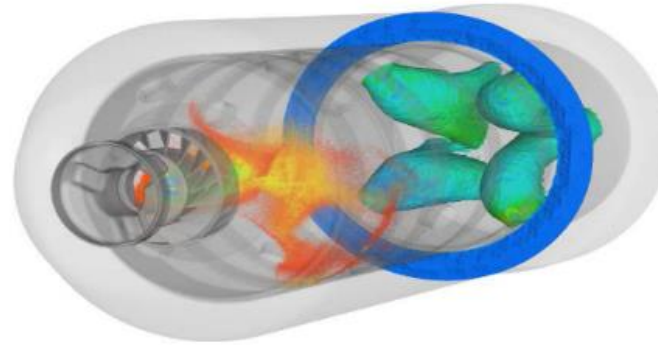
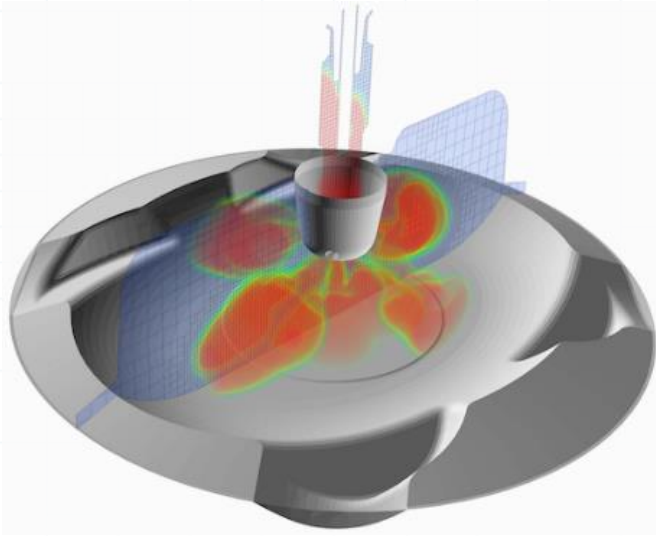
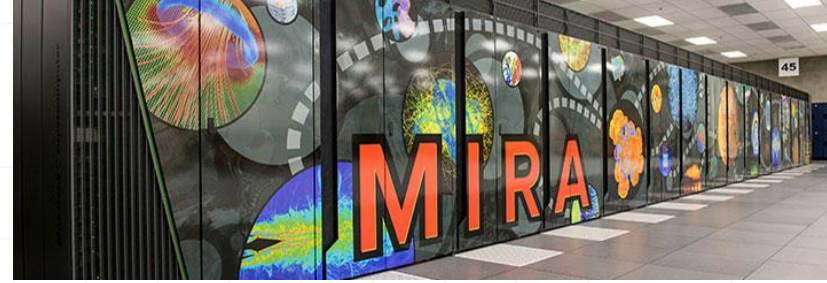


When Will Version 3.0 Be Released?

June 2018

Convergent Science: Company Status

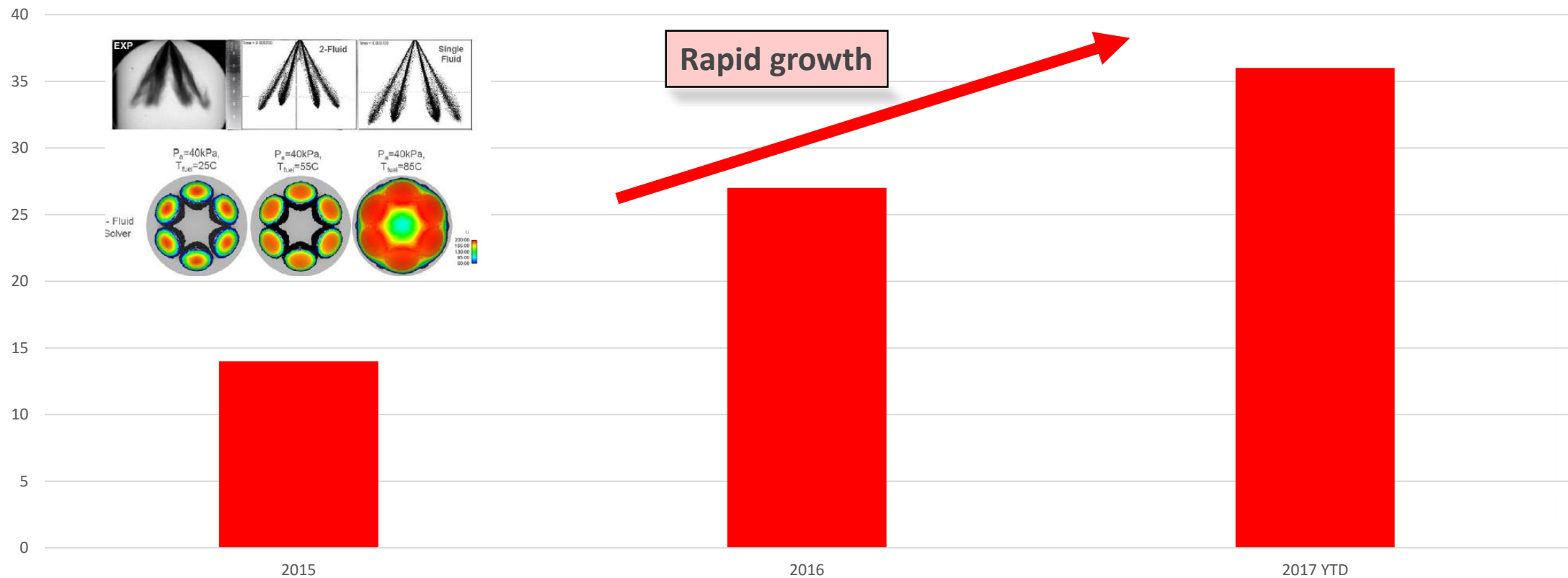
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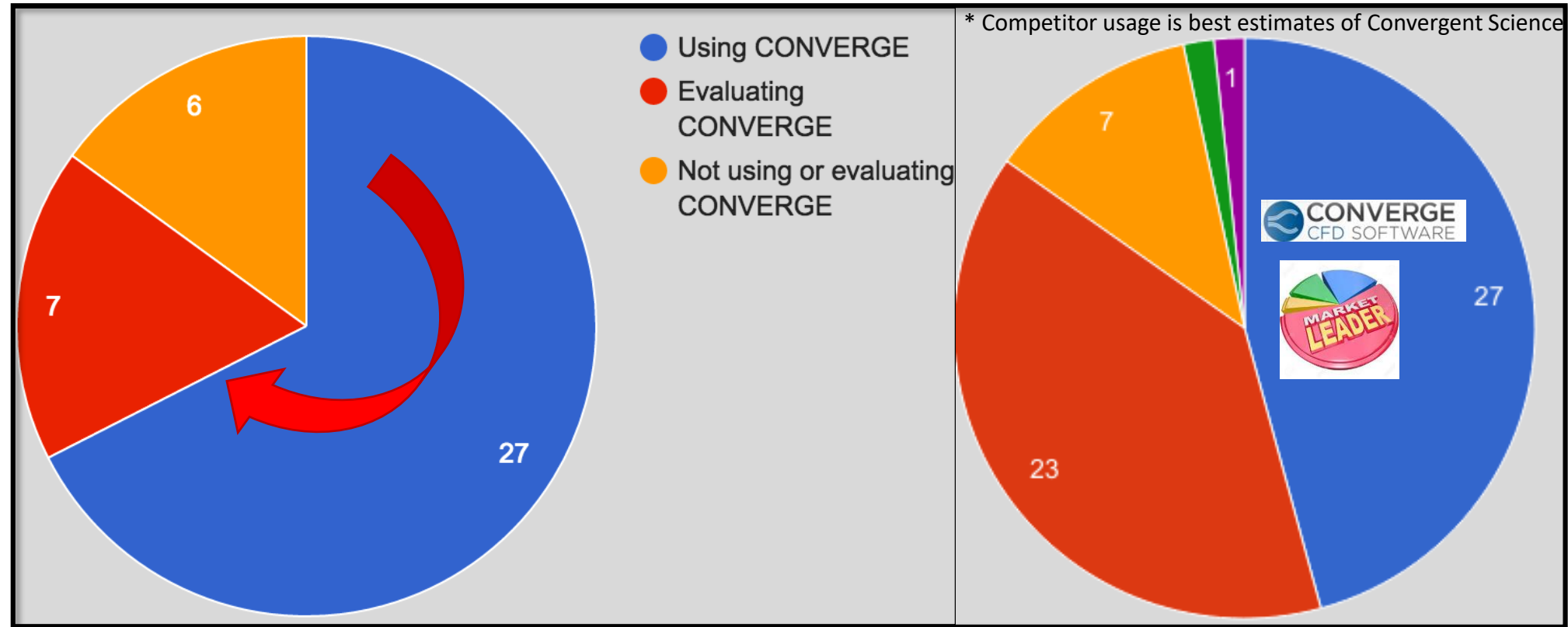
European IC engine market growth



Total number of IC Engine customers in Europe 2015-2017



European IC Engine Market Share



- 34 of 40 (85%) of Euro engine makers use CONVERGE
- CONVERGE is most widely used CFD code for IC engine modeling in this region

European User's Conference

— THANK YOU! —



1st CONVERGE User Conference in Europe

- 106 Participants
- Keynote speakers:
 - DR. Christian Angelberger
Expert Engine Combustion Modeling IFP
Energies Nouvelles
 - DR. Sibendu Som
Lead Computational Scientist Argonne
National Laboratory
- 27 technical presentation
- Introductory and Advanced training courses
- 34 industrial partner
- 22 universities

Soot modeling by PSM model : Validation on Renault Diesel engine



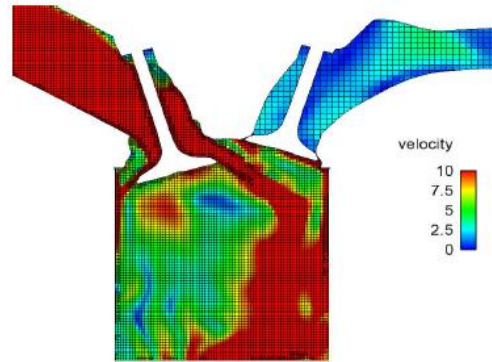
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Stroke : 80 mm
Single cylinder displacement : 0.4 l
Compression ratio : 15,5
Injection pressure : 1600 bar
Swirl number : 2.5

Combustion simulation in SI engine

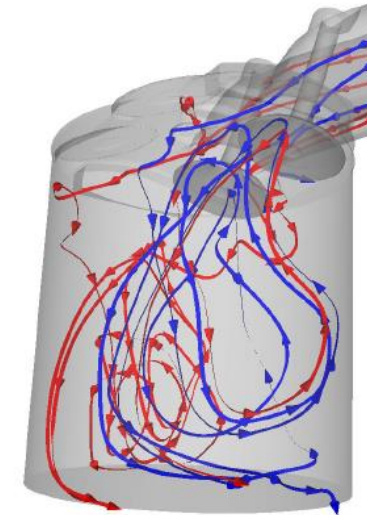
Knocking analysis for combustion chamber optimizing



PSA

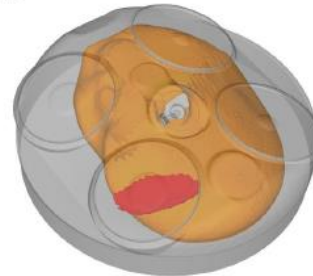


SI ENGINE SIMULATION USING ECFM-ISSIM VALIDATION ON EB2DT ENGINE



Stephane Chevillard^[1], Olivier Colin^[1], Julien Bohbot^[1], Clément Dumand^[2]

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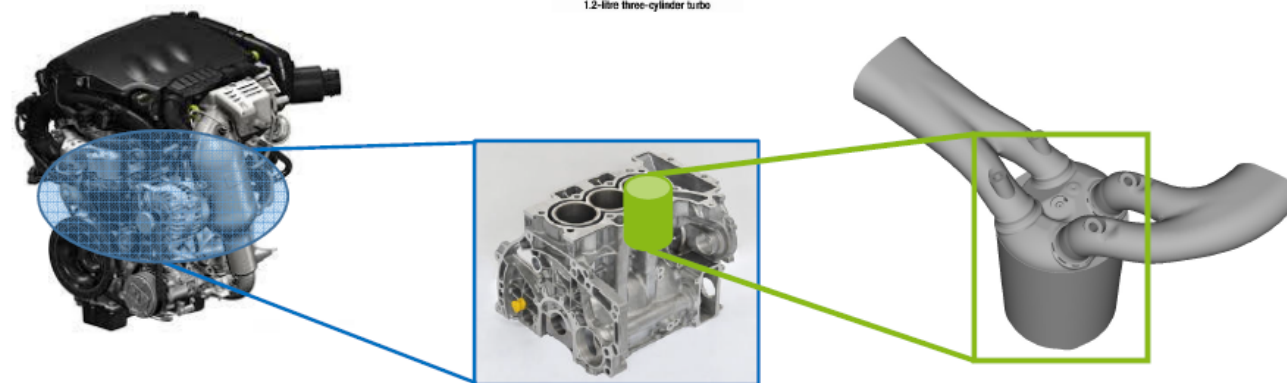


PSA GROUPE ENGINE : 1.2L PURE TECH EB2DT



SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY

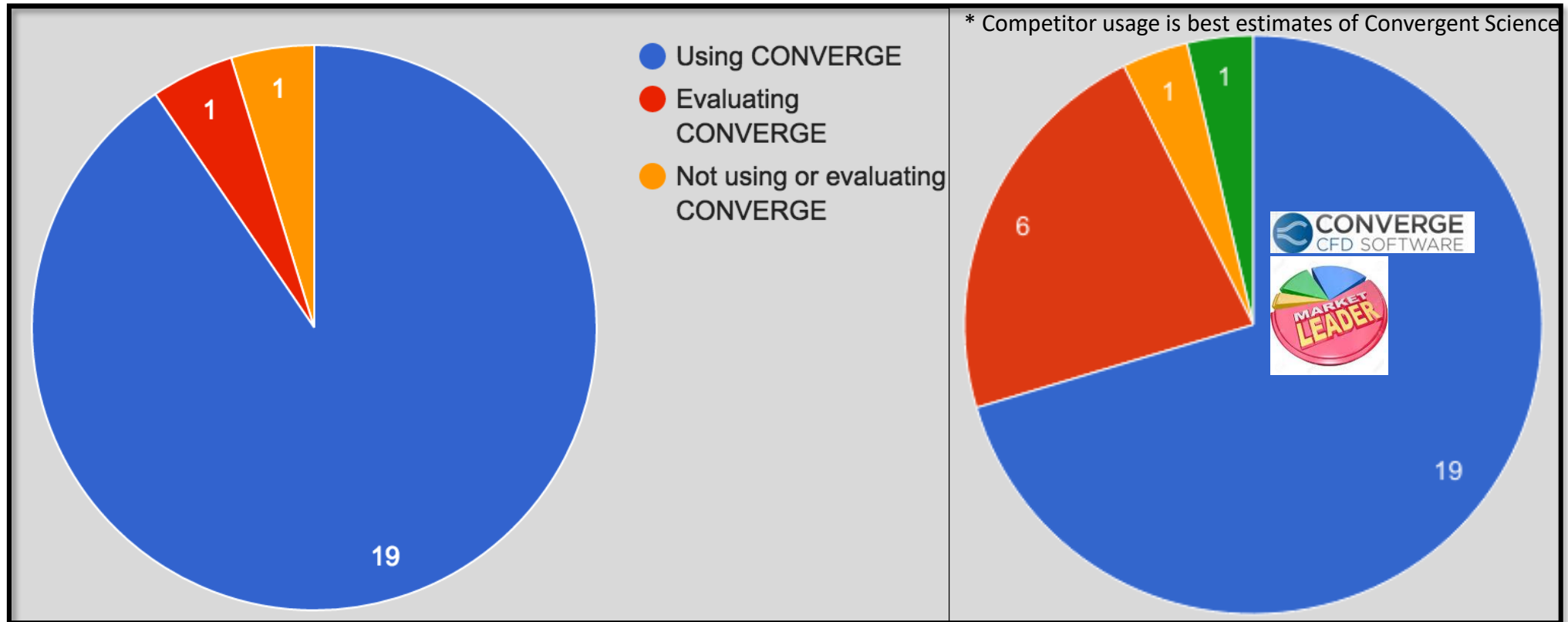
- A real industrial engine configuration
- All following results are normalized
- Only one of the three cylinders is simulated with CONVERGE



Engine capacity	400 cm ³
Compression rate	10,3
Fuel	SP95-E10
DATA base	
High load / RPM	5500rpm / 23 bar
Load variation @ 1750rpm	12 bar and 23 bar IMEP
FAER variation @ 3500rpm/23bar	$\phi_m=1$, $\phi_m=1.1$ and $\phi_m=1.3$
Load variation @ 4000rpm	13 and 23 bar IMEP

**Complex fuel has to be taken into account
Detailed in Vienna presentation**

US IC Engine Market Share

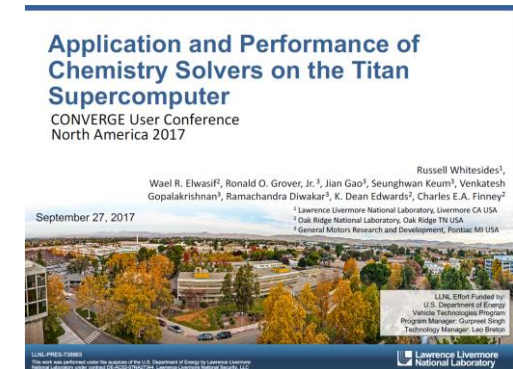
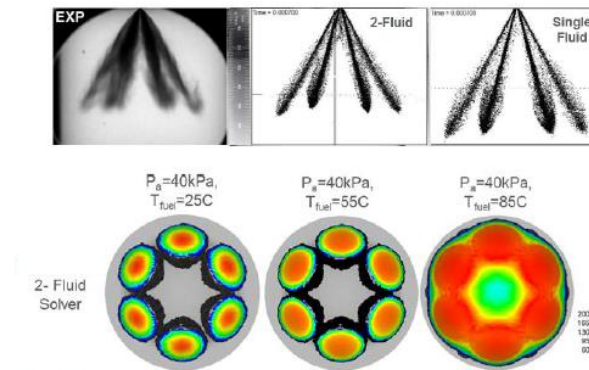
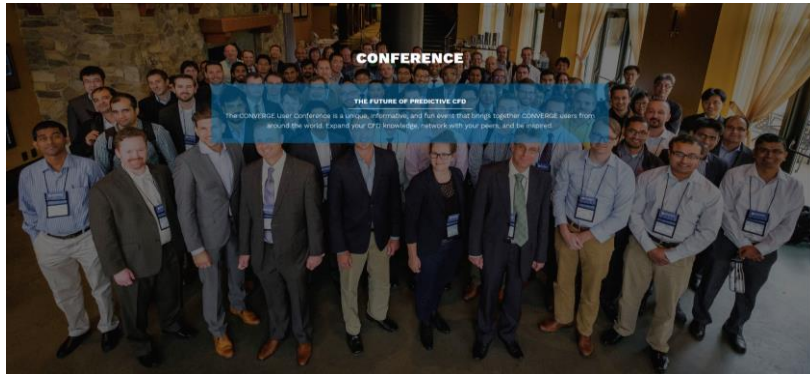


- 20 of 21 (95%) US engine makers use CONVERGE

- CONVERGE is most widely used CFD code for IC engine modeling in this region

2017 N.A. User's Conference

- Convergent Science had a very productive user conference in Fall of 2017
- Presentations showing CONVERGE work at Renault, Isuzu, Fiat Chrysler, Argonne National Lab, Aramco, Caterpillar, General Motors, Sandia National Lab, IFPEN, SwRI, Oak Ridge National Lab, Navistar, Gamma Technologies
- Topics include Diesel modeling, knock modeling, supercomputing, SCR/urea modeling, conjugate heat transfer, emissions modeling, spray modeling

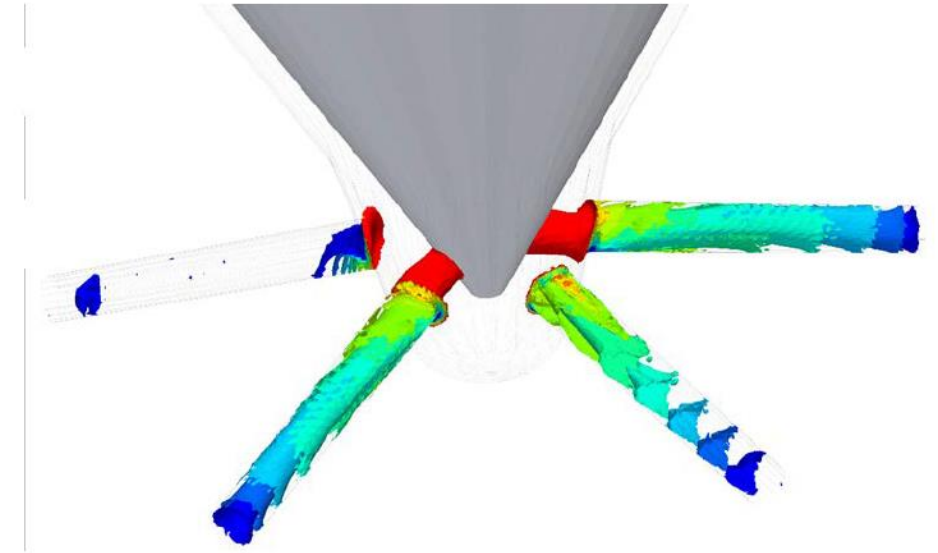


RECENT PROGRESS IN NOZZLE FLOW AND SPRAY MODELING AT ARGONNE

ROBERTO TORELLI, KAUSHIK SAHA, SIBENDU SOM

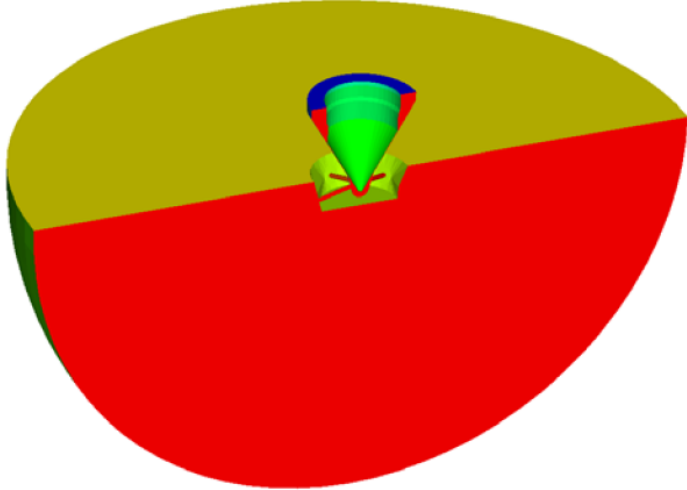
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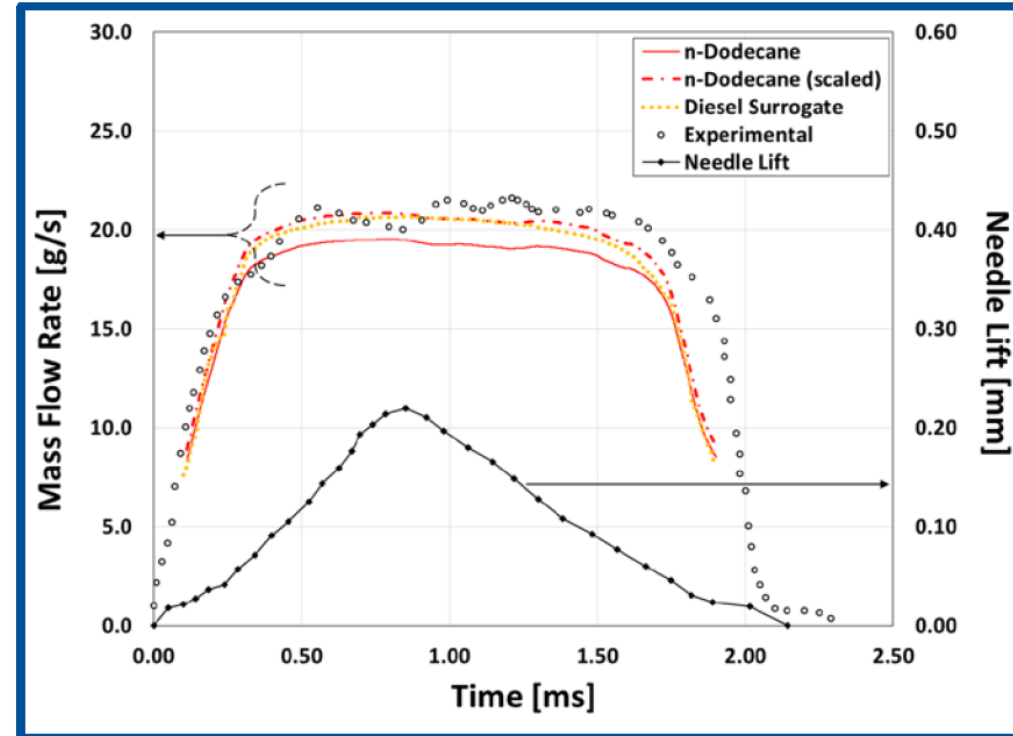


CFD MODELING FRAMEWORK

Mesh strategy



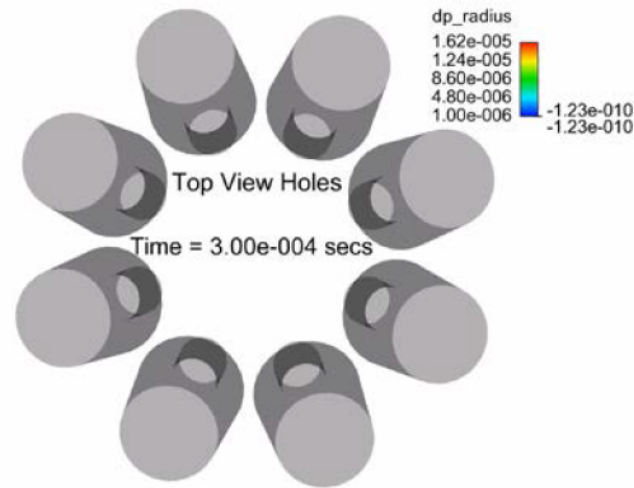
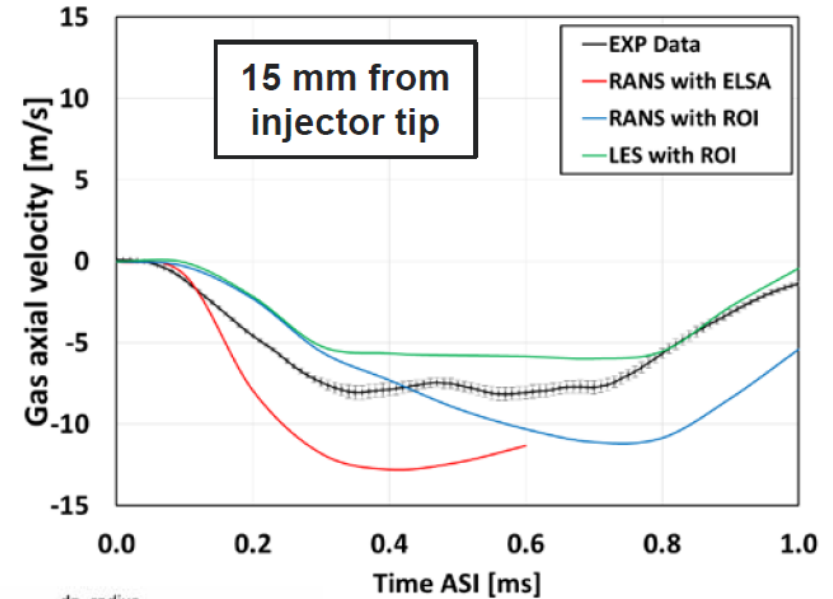
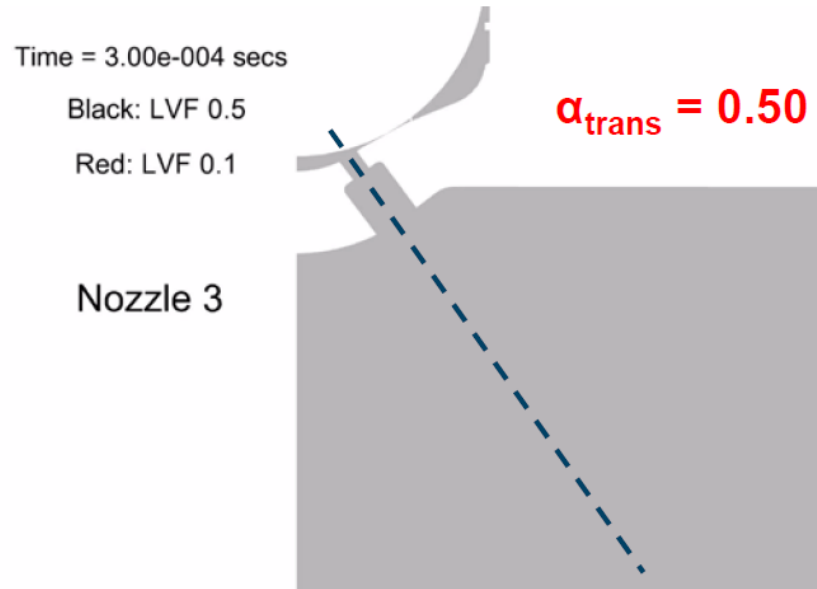
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Number of cores	16	[procs]
Run Time (best case)	350	[h]



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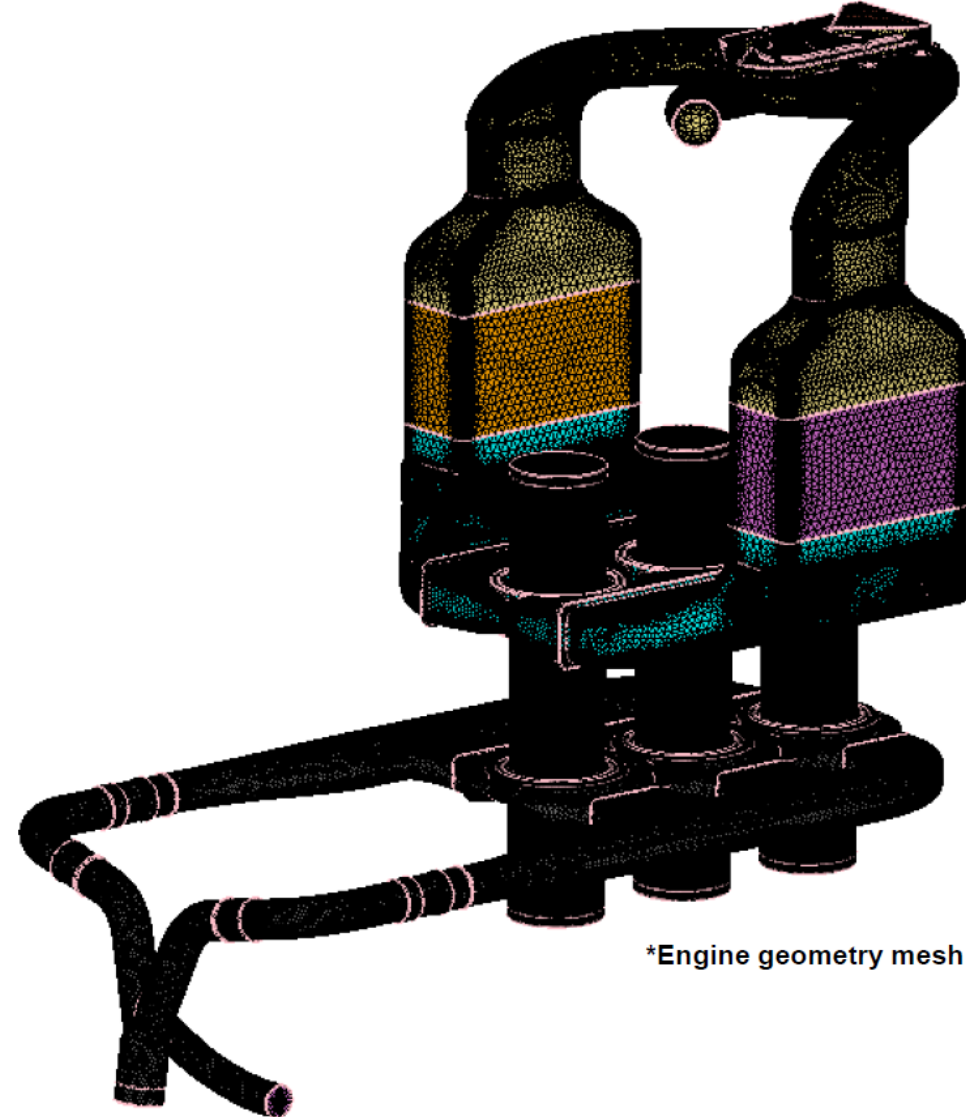
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Liquid-gas coupling and gas axial velocity



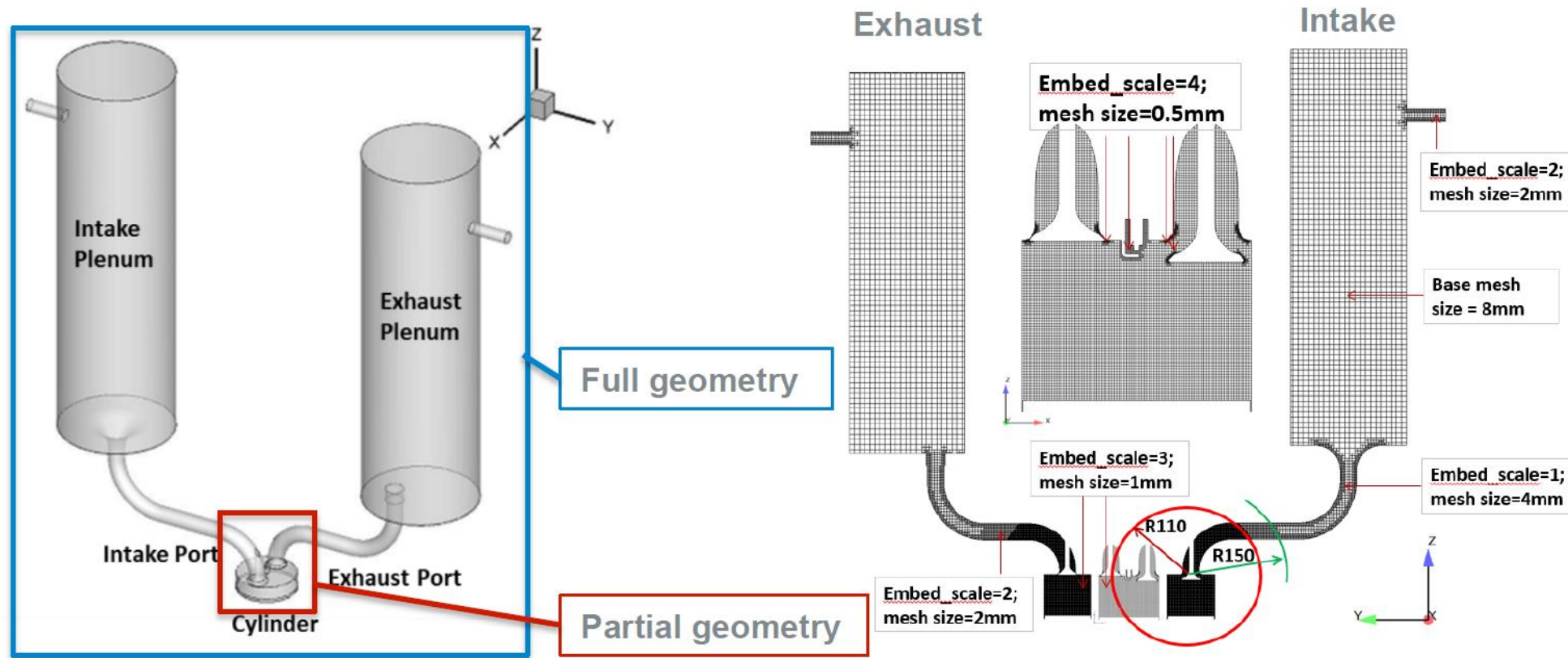
Open Cycle Process

- Up to 6 cylinder geometry
 - With intake and exhaust ports that are cover and uncovered by the piston skirts
- Entire engine cycle
 - Combustion is represented by a pressure trace from GT-Power or measurements
 - Transient pressure boundary conditions obtained from GT-Power simulations or high speed measurements
- User Define Function (UDF)
- Closed couple coolers simulated as porous media



*Engine geometry mesh for Converge

3D COMPUTATIONAL DOMAIN AND MESHING

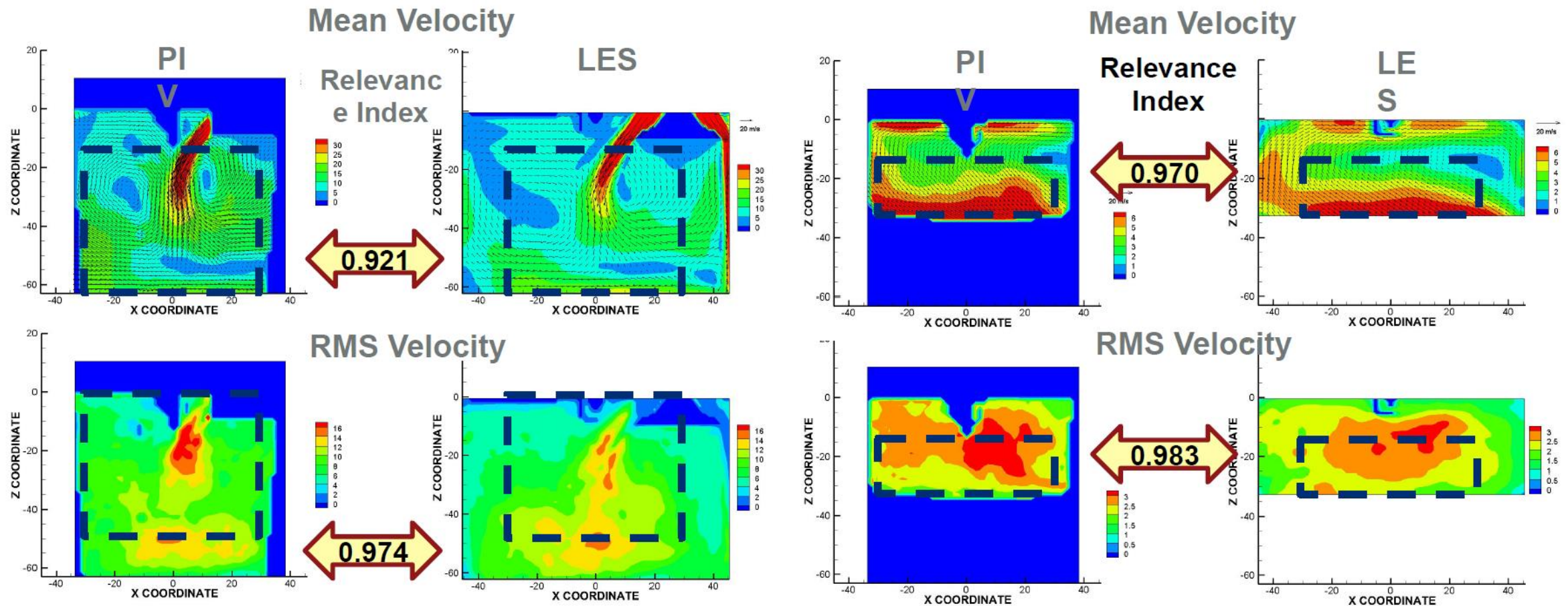


- Mesh arrangement with in-cylinder mesh size of 1 mm
- GT-Power modeling results are used to define boundary conditions for 3D CFD simulation

56-CYCLE AVERAGE, TCC 800RPM 95KPA

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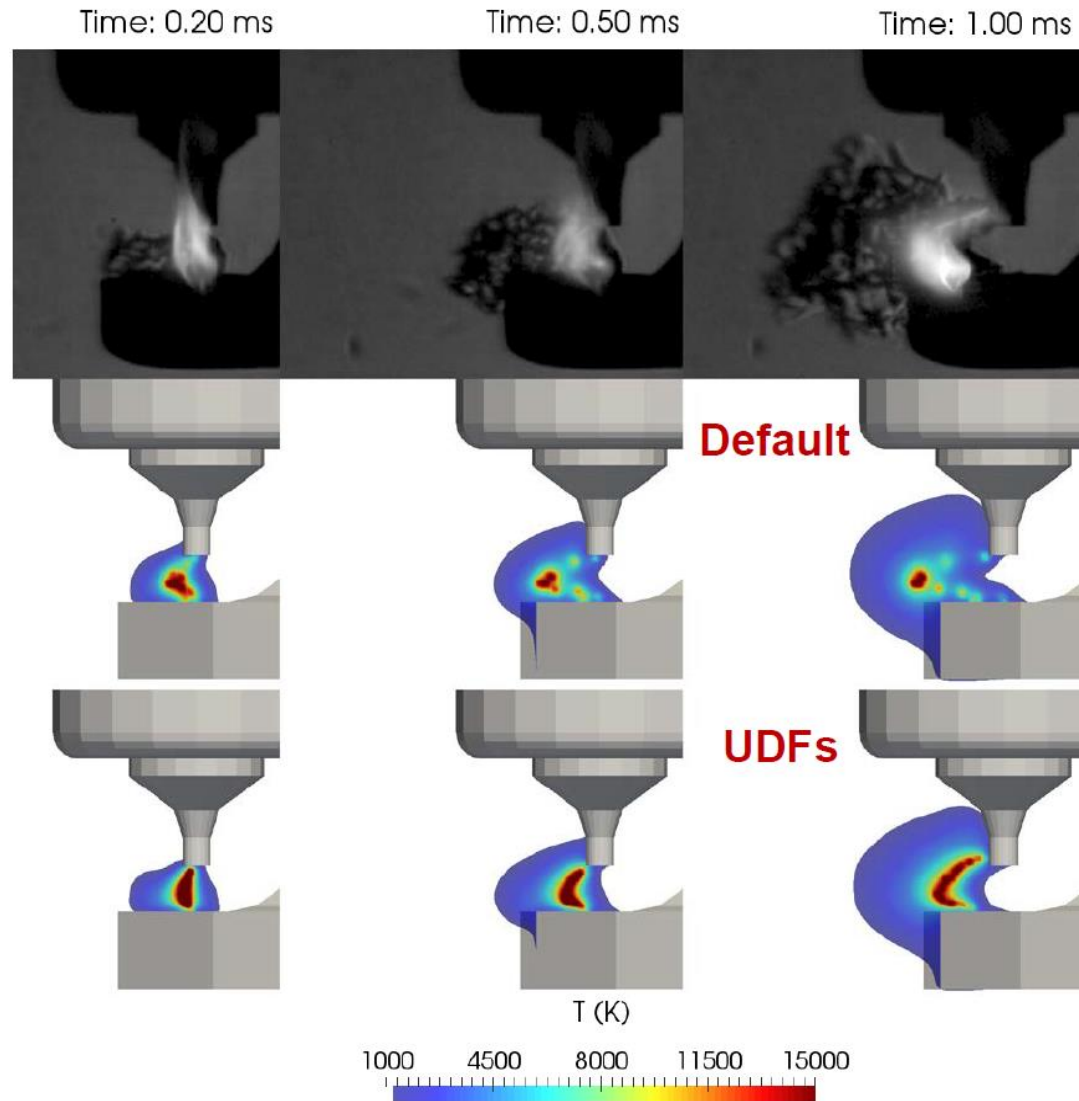
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GENERAL MOTORS

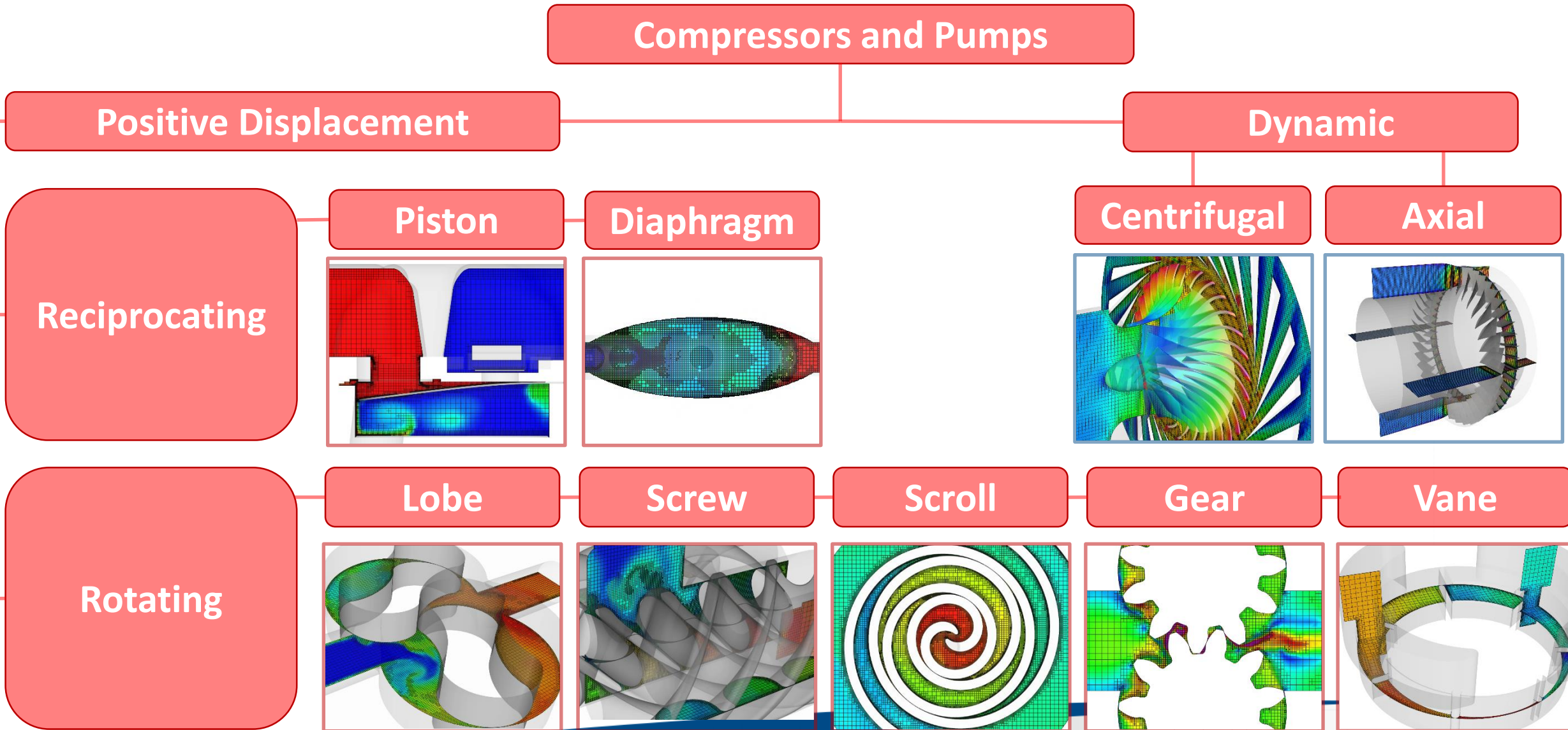
Spark ignition Model Development at ANL



Modified model behavior:

- More realistic channel shape in the flow field
- Energy is deposited evenly along the channel
- End points keep moving along the electrodes
- Channel is not centered with respect to the flame
- Flame propagation is slow
- Flow-field from simulations might not be accurate
- Combustion model and kinetic mechanism (GRI Mech 3.0) were not investigated

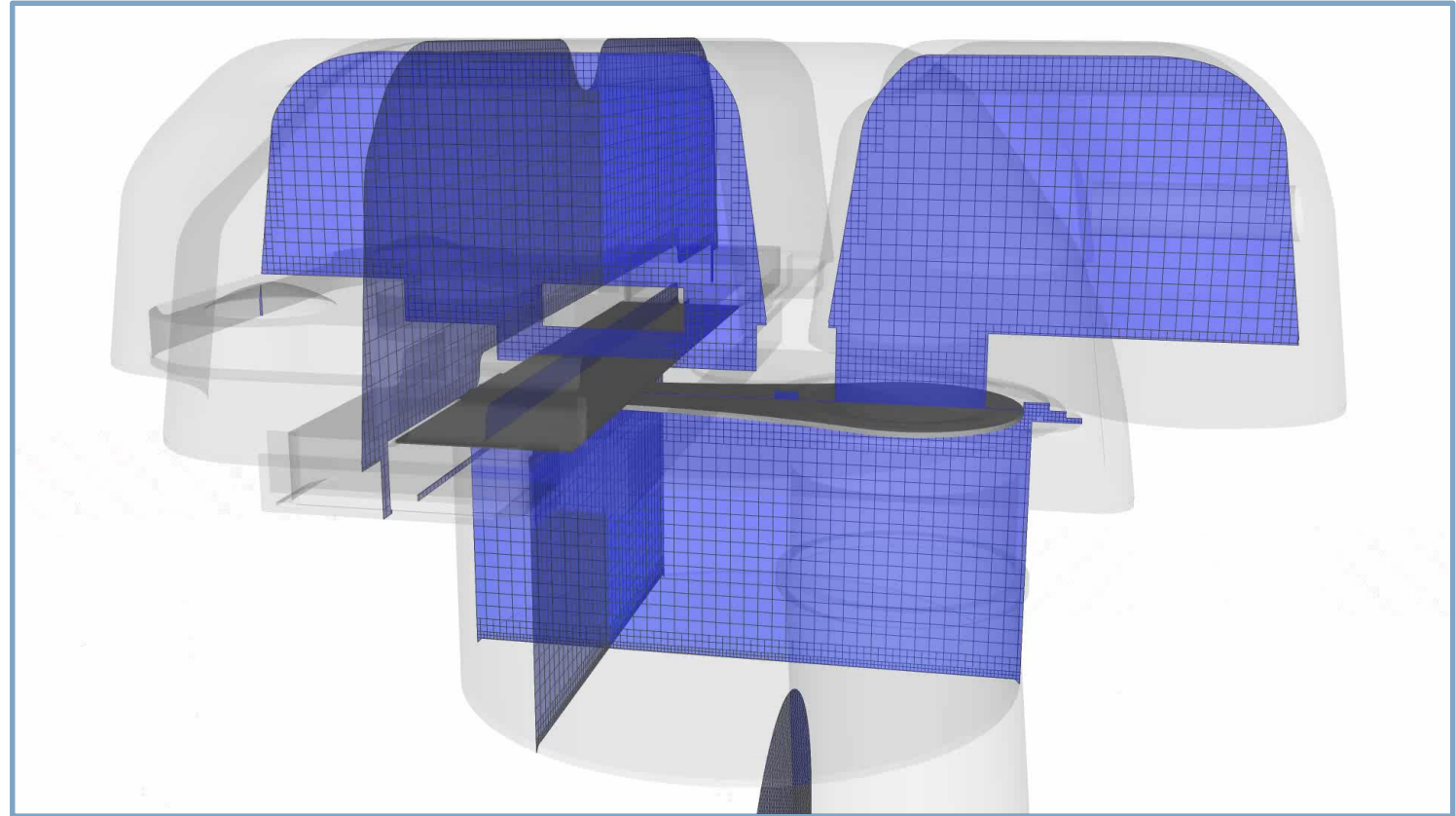
Compressors and Pumps: Classification



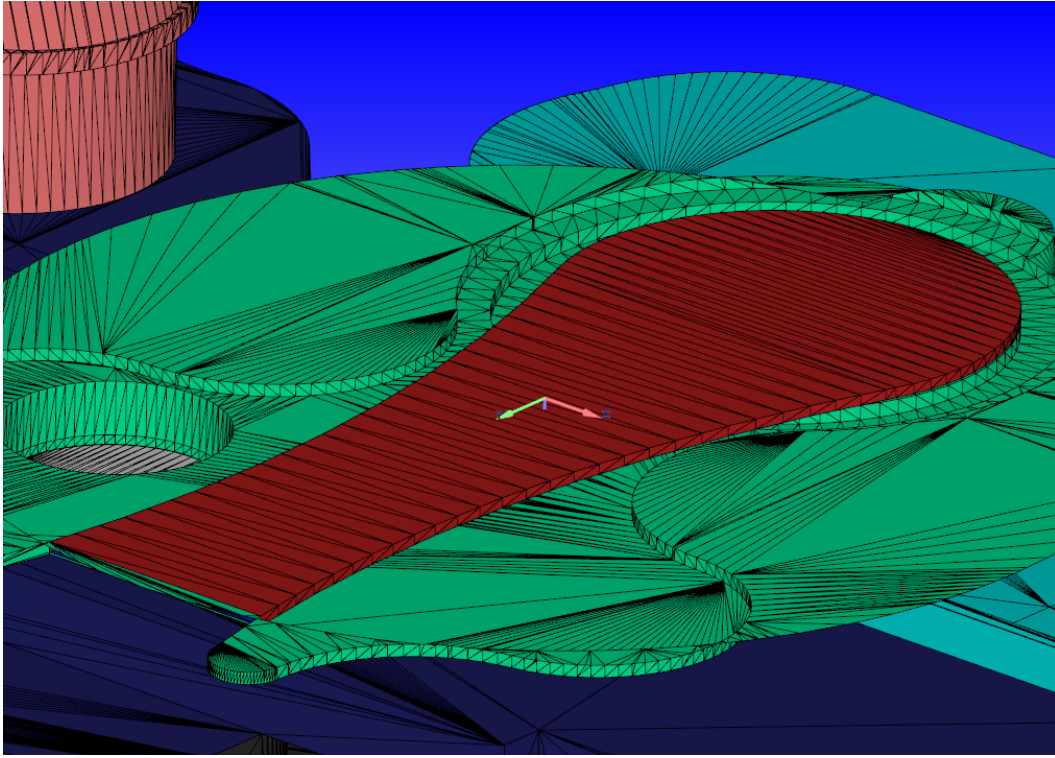
Reciprocating Compressors: Reed Valves

Key Modeling Challenges

- Piston motion
- Small clearances
- Valve dynamics
- Complex geometries (mufflers)
- Gas properties
- Multiphase: oil, condensation
- Pressure waves
- Leakage losses



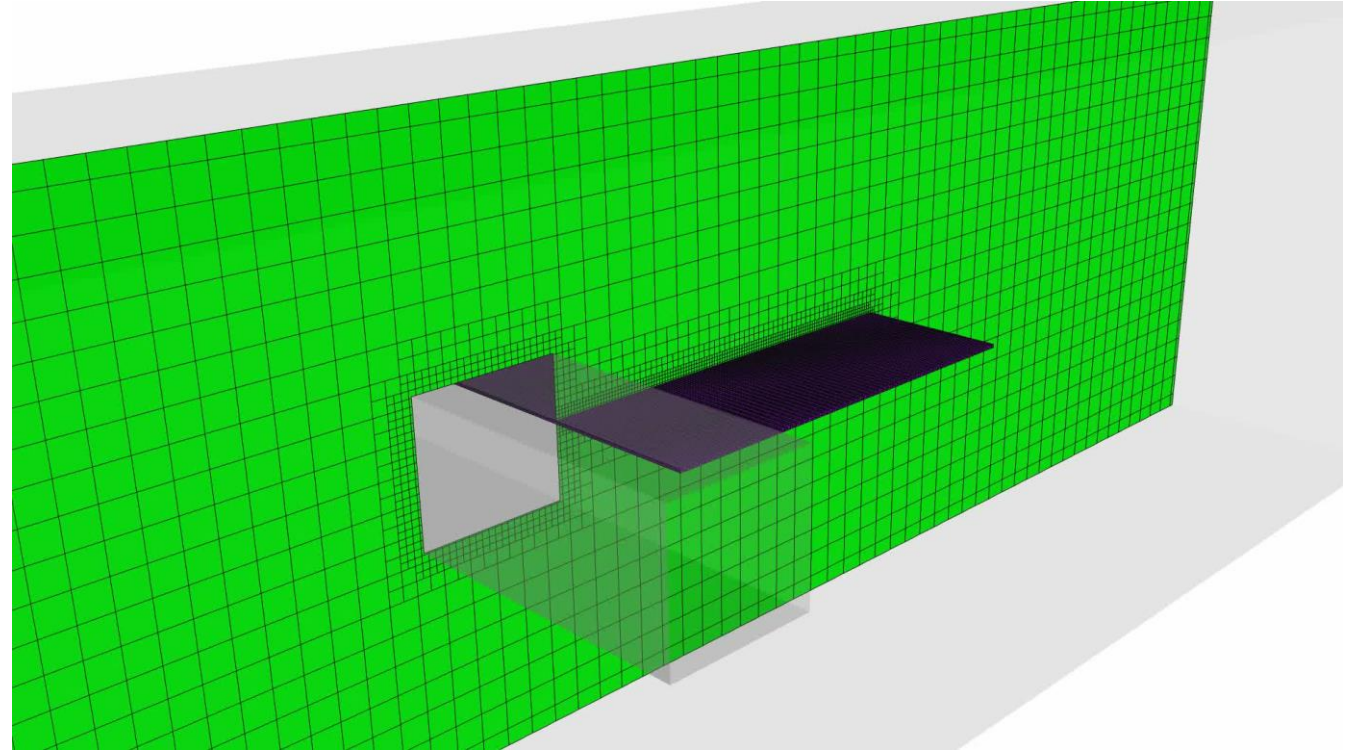
Reciprocating Compressors: Reed Valves



Beams are modeled with 1D Euler beam equation

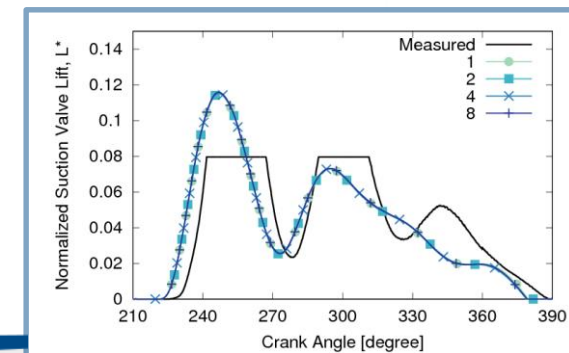
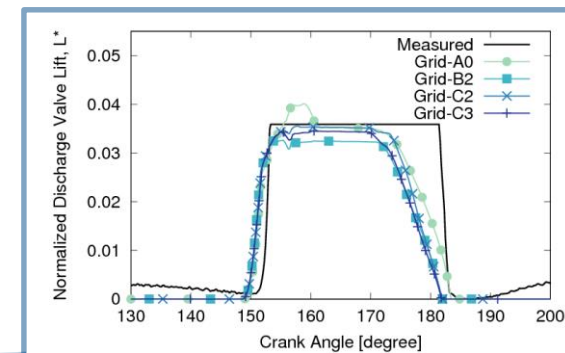
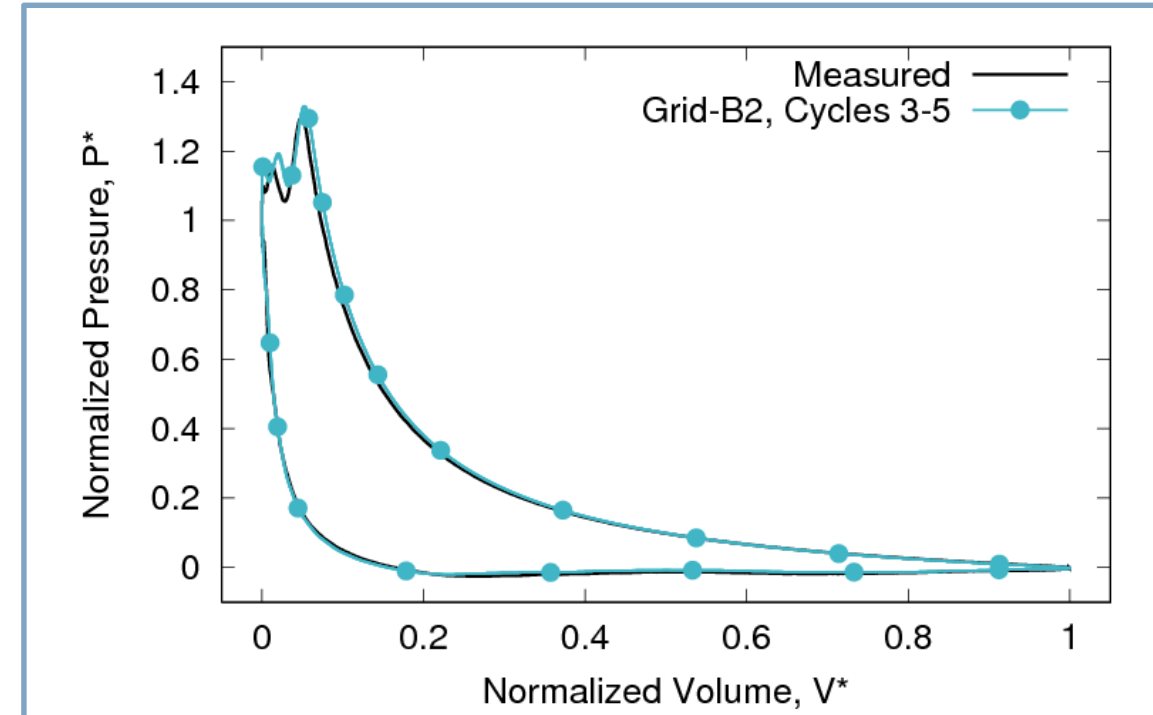
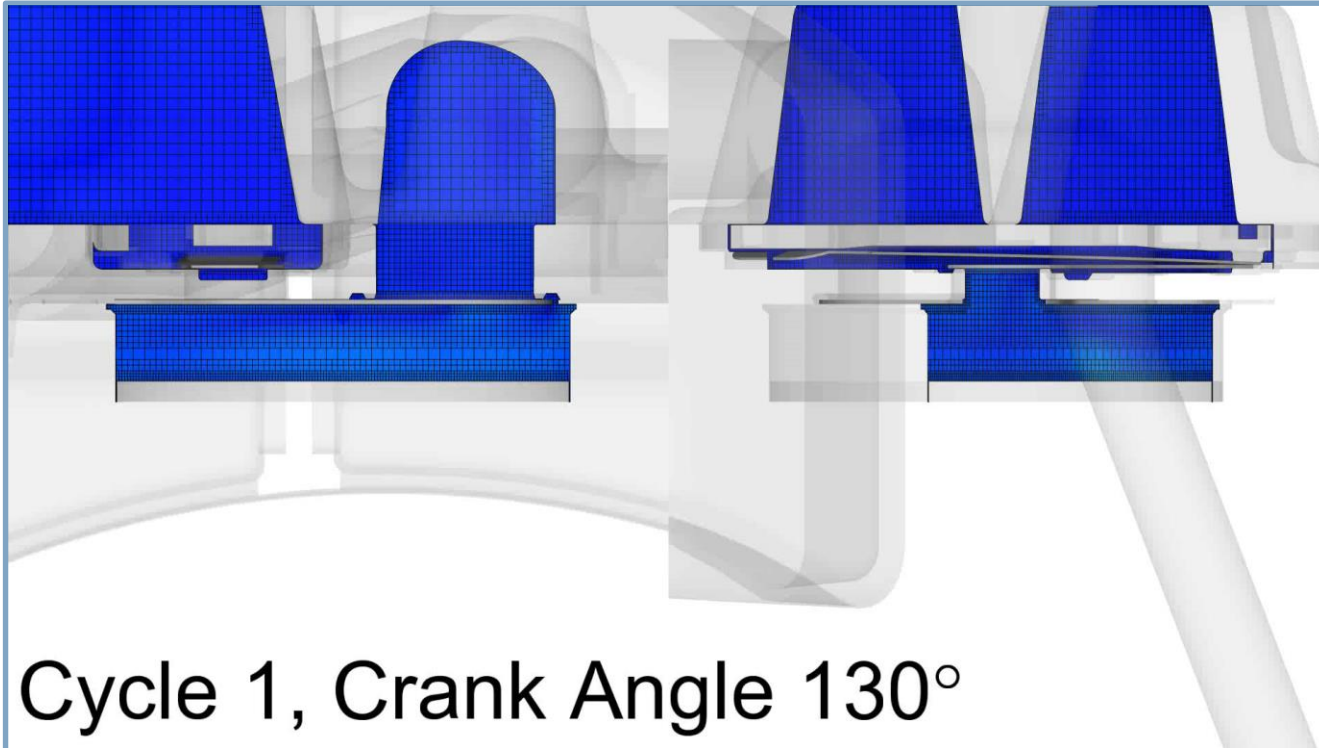
Implemented through user_motion UDF

Custom events to trigger valve seating and opening



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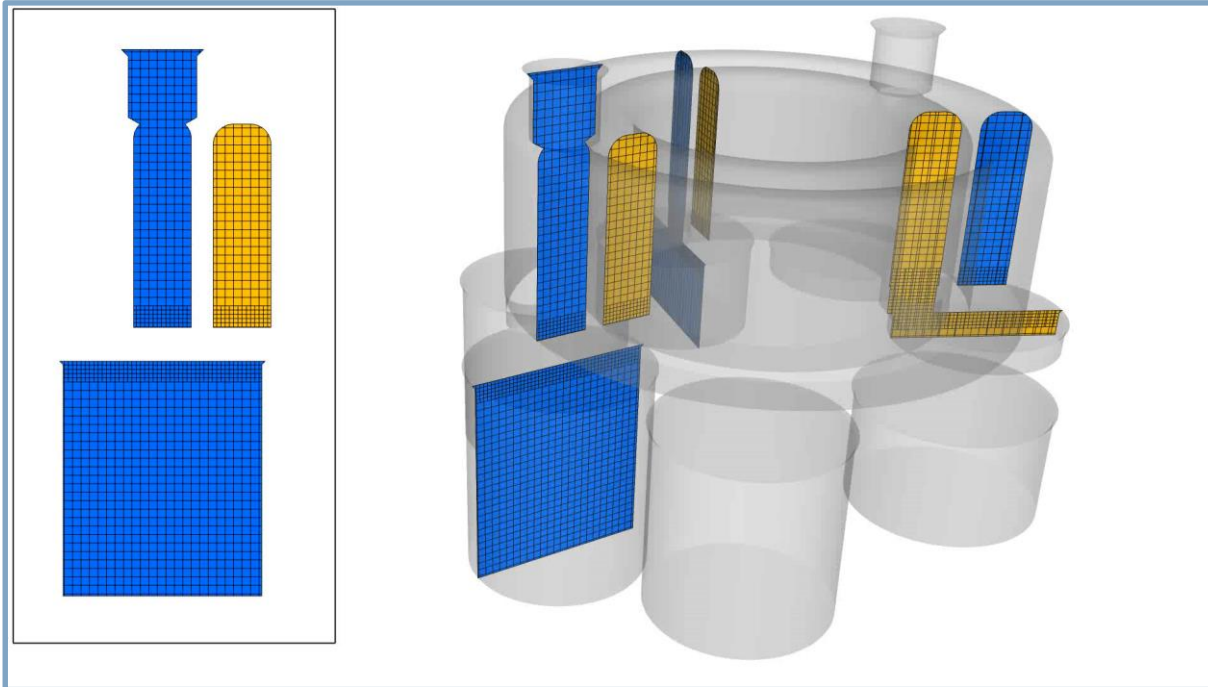
Validation case: R-134a refrigeration compressor
Measurements of valve lift and cylinder pressure



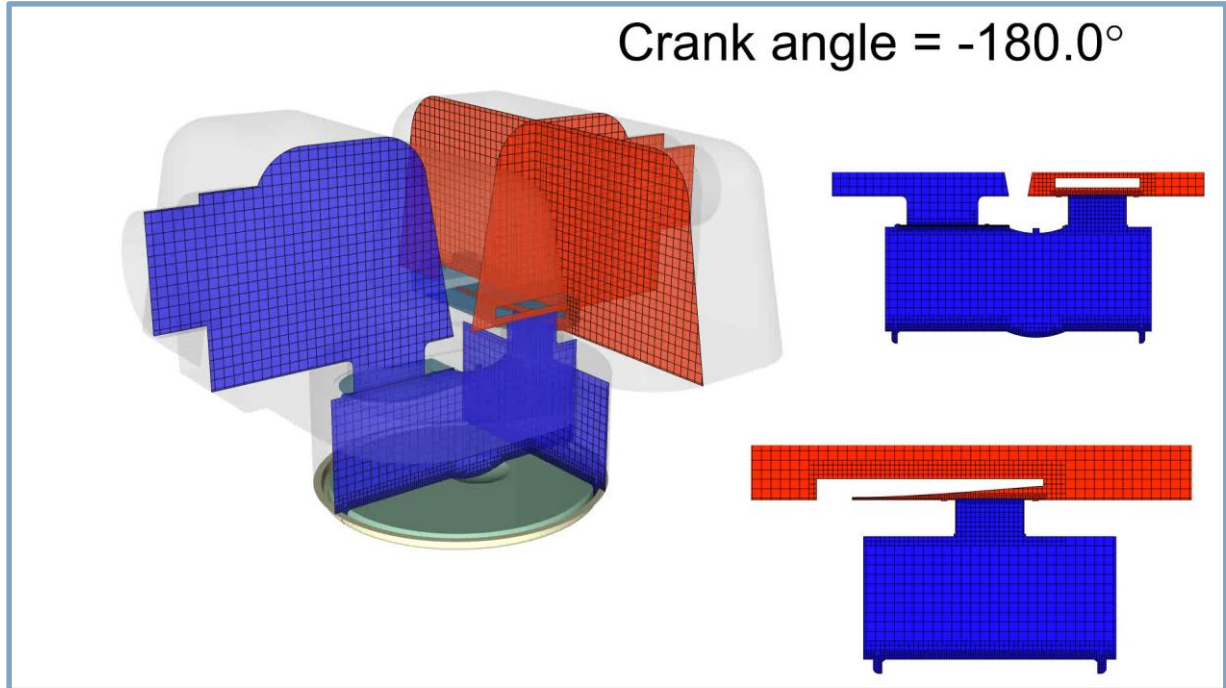
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Related Applications

Swashplate Automotive AC Compressor



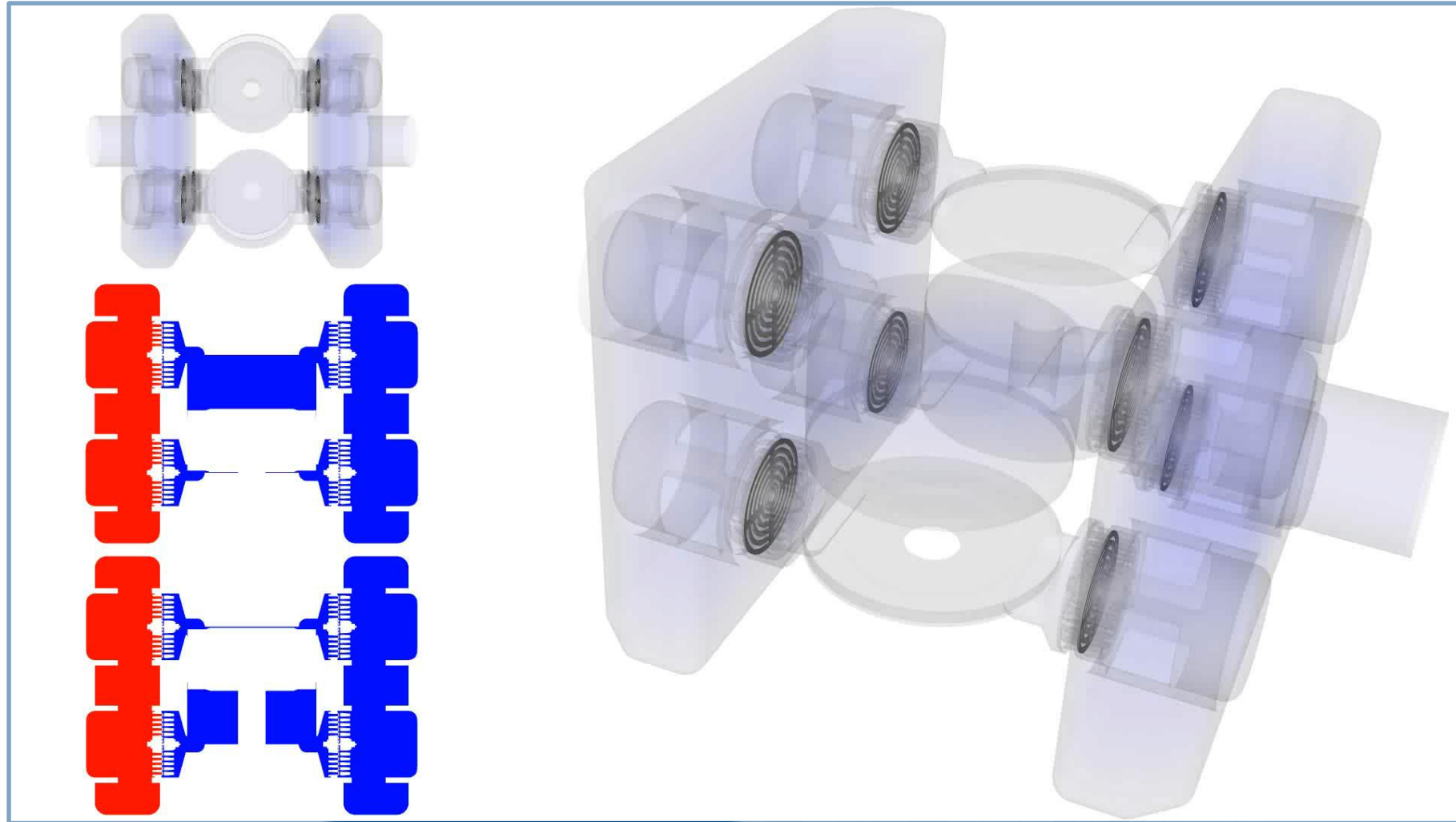
Wobbling Piston Medical Pump



Reciprocating Compressors: Plate Valves

Industrial gas processing compressors (air, natural gas, CO₂, ammonia, etc.) utilize larger, slower compressors with plate valve, poppet valves, or other similar valve types.

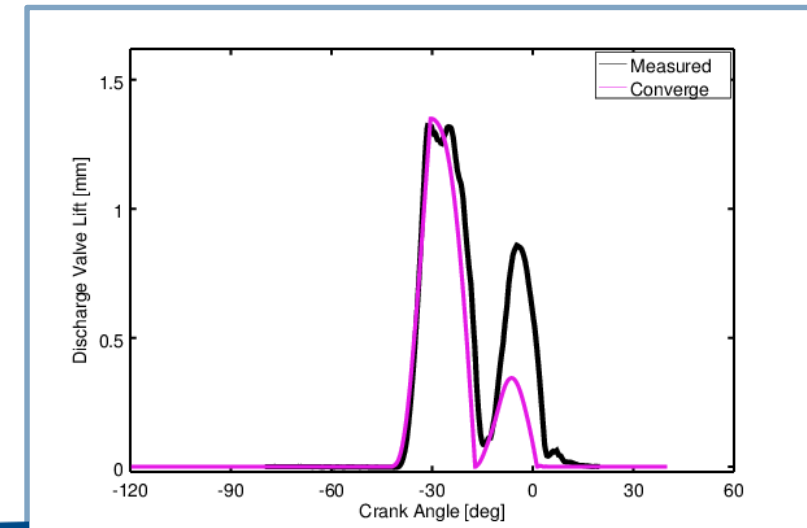
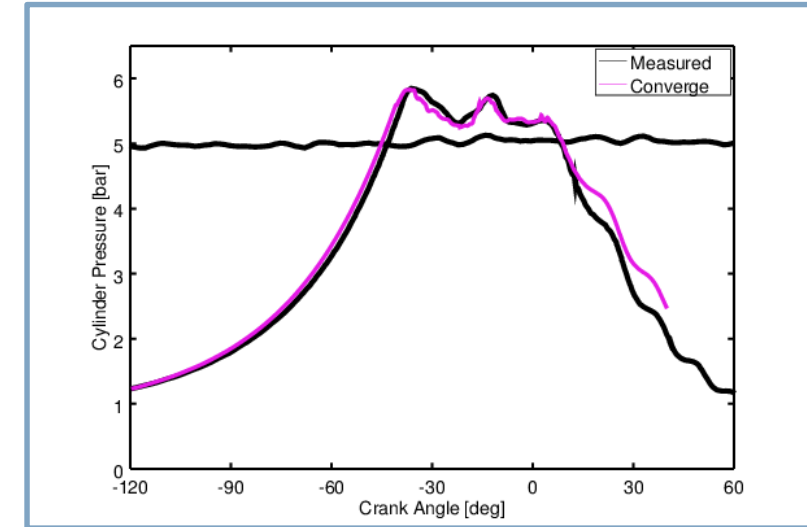
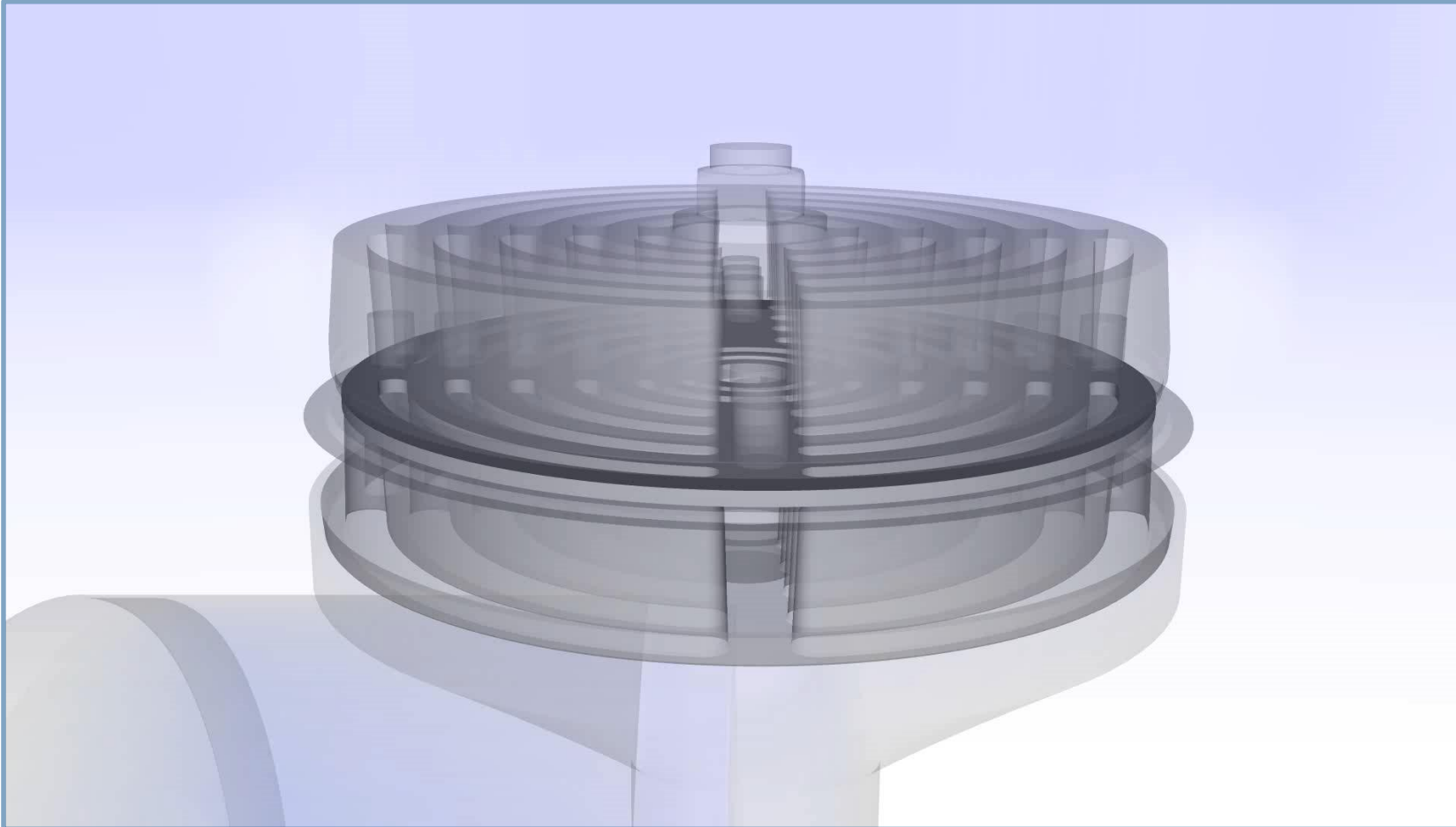
Predicting the pressure pulsations, temperature distribution, and valve dynamics are of key importance.



Reciprocating Compressors: Plate Valves

Validation case is a 0.22 bore, 700 rpm double-acting air compressor

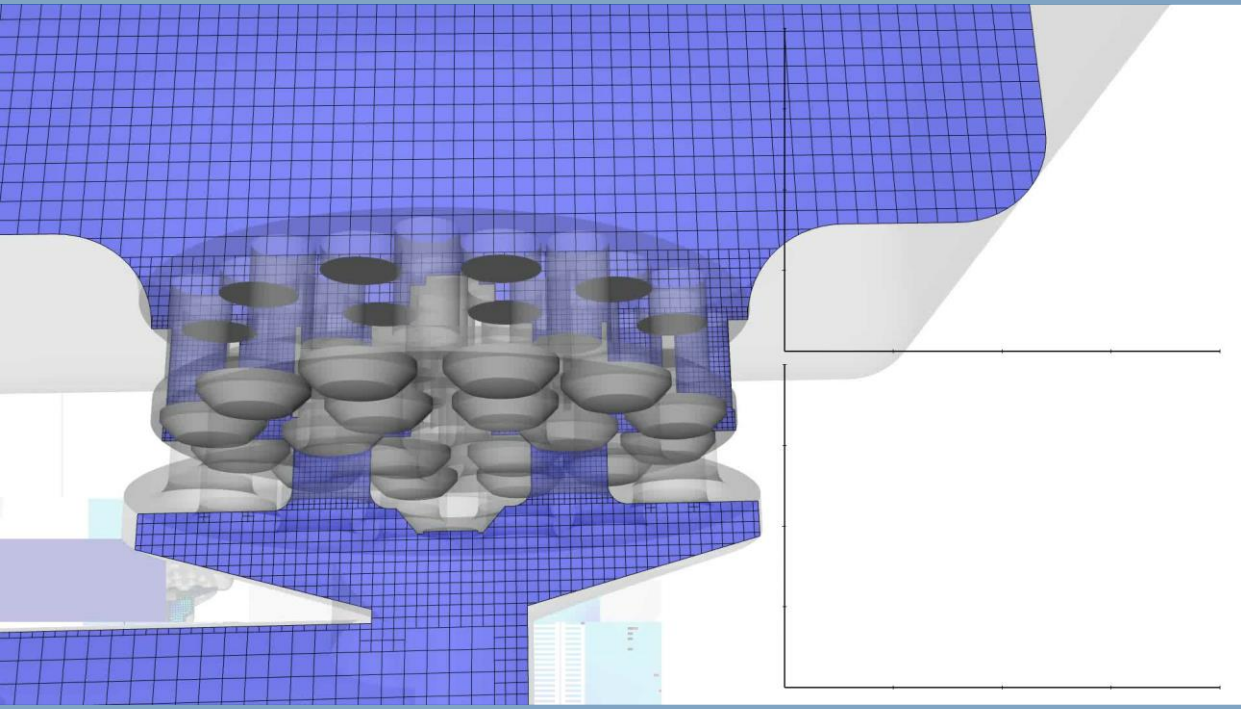
Measured cylinder and muffler pressures and valve lifts



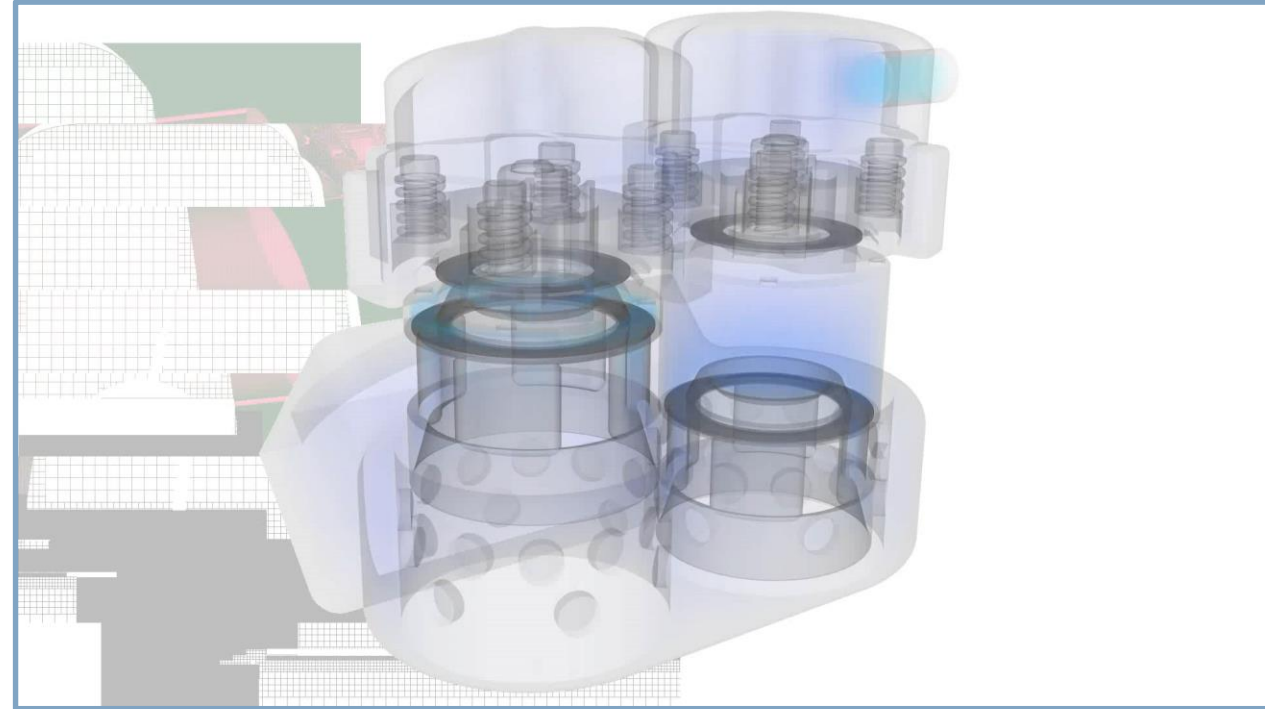
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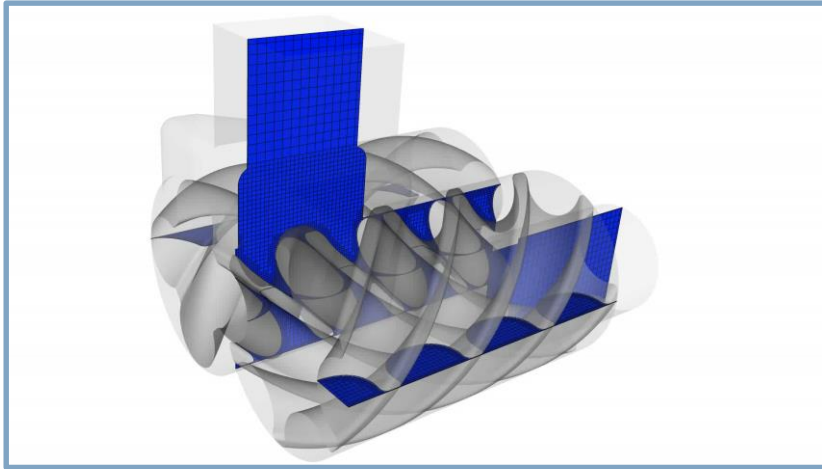
Poppet Valve Arrays



Ring Valves



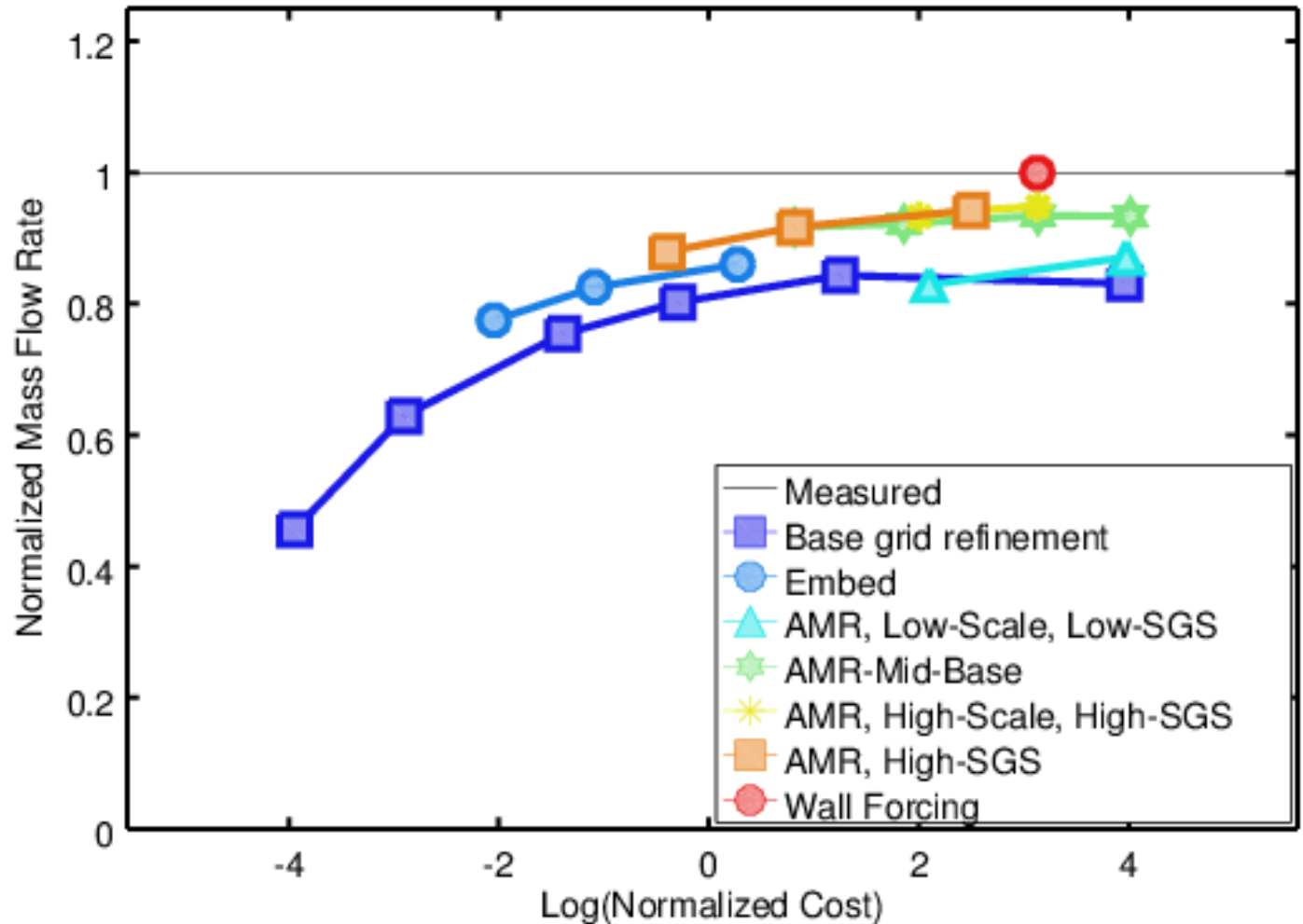
Screw Compressors: Twin Screw Supercharger



Some key modeling issues on screw compressors:

complex motion grid generation (not a problem for CONVERGE)

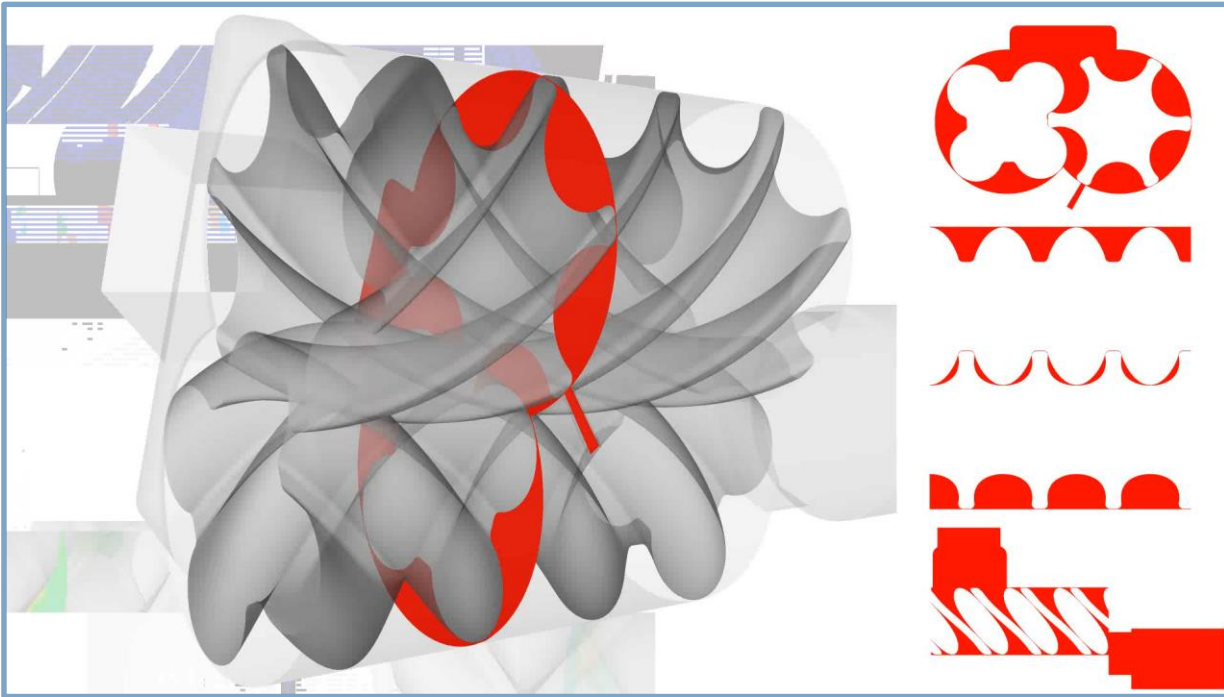
Resolving or modeling flow through small clearances



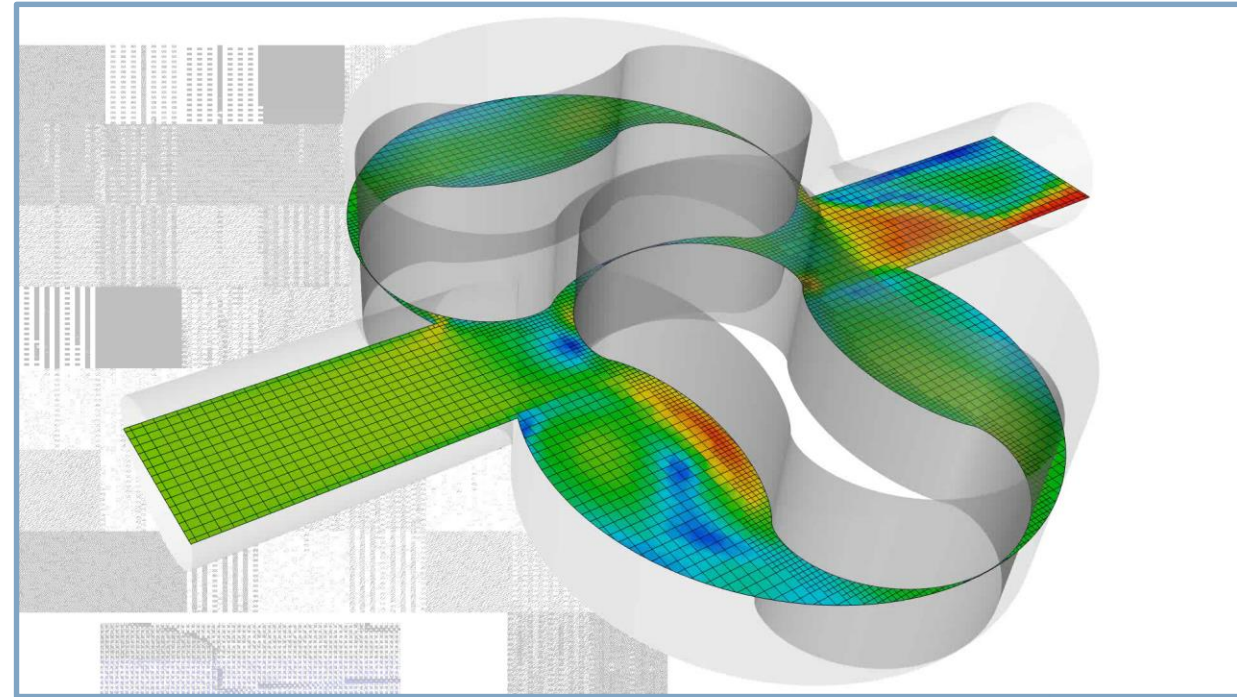
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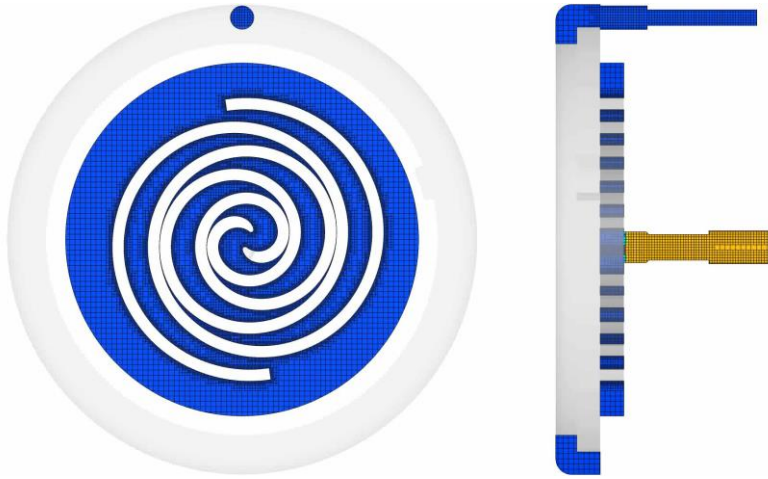
Liquid Flooded Screw Compressor



Roots Blower Supercharger

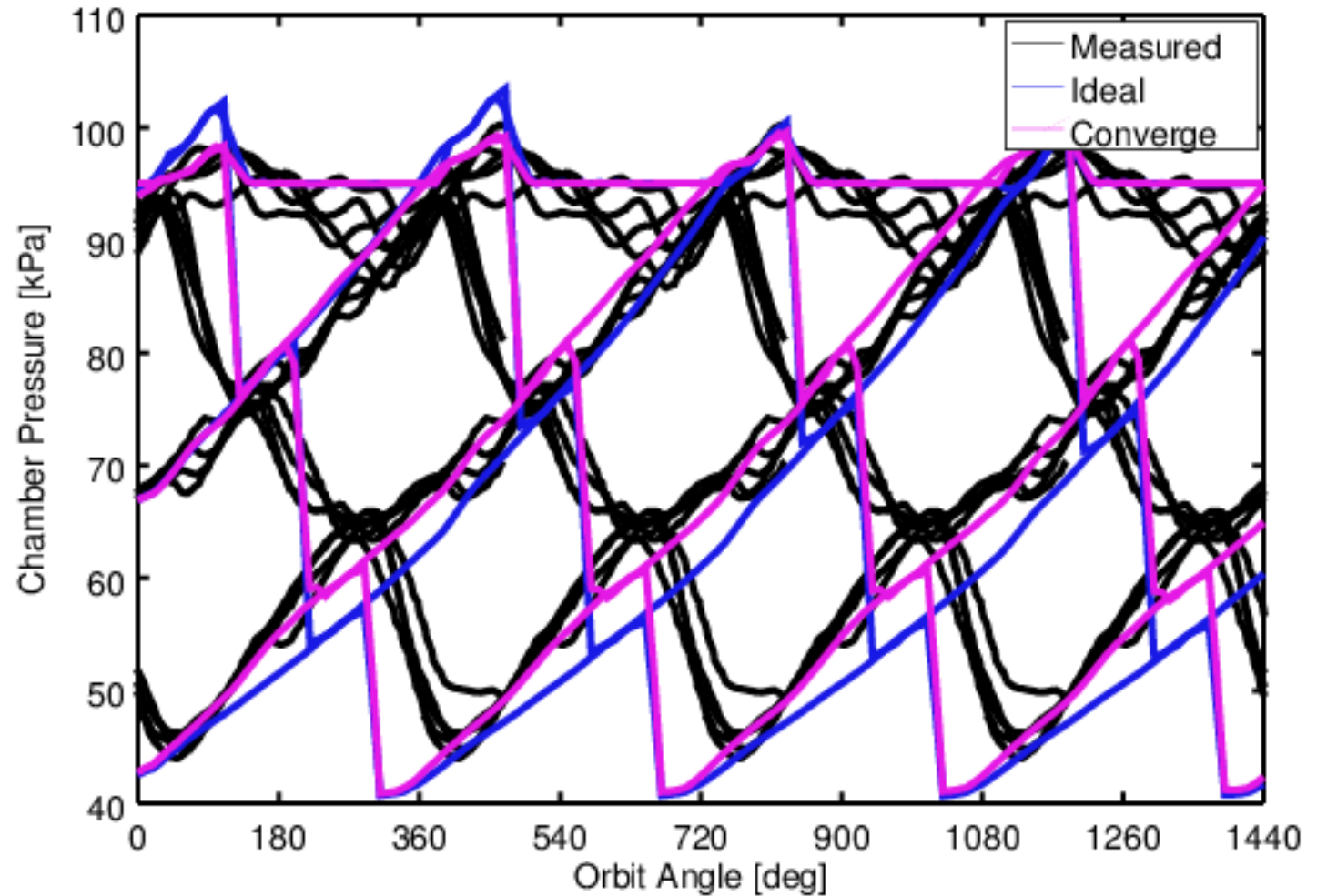


Scroll Compressors: Dry Scroll Vacuum Pump

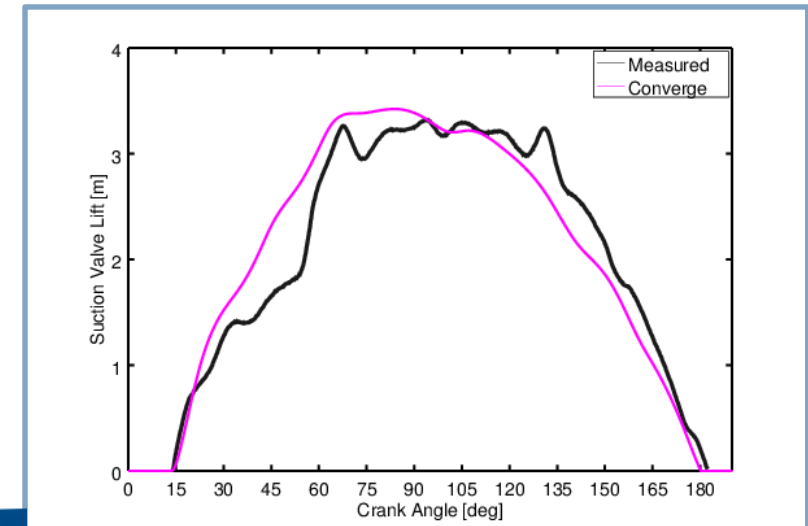
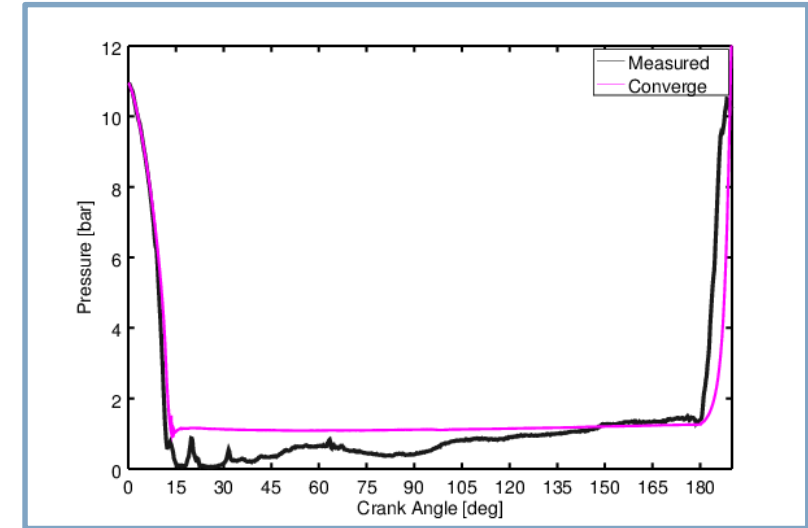
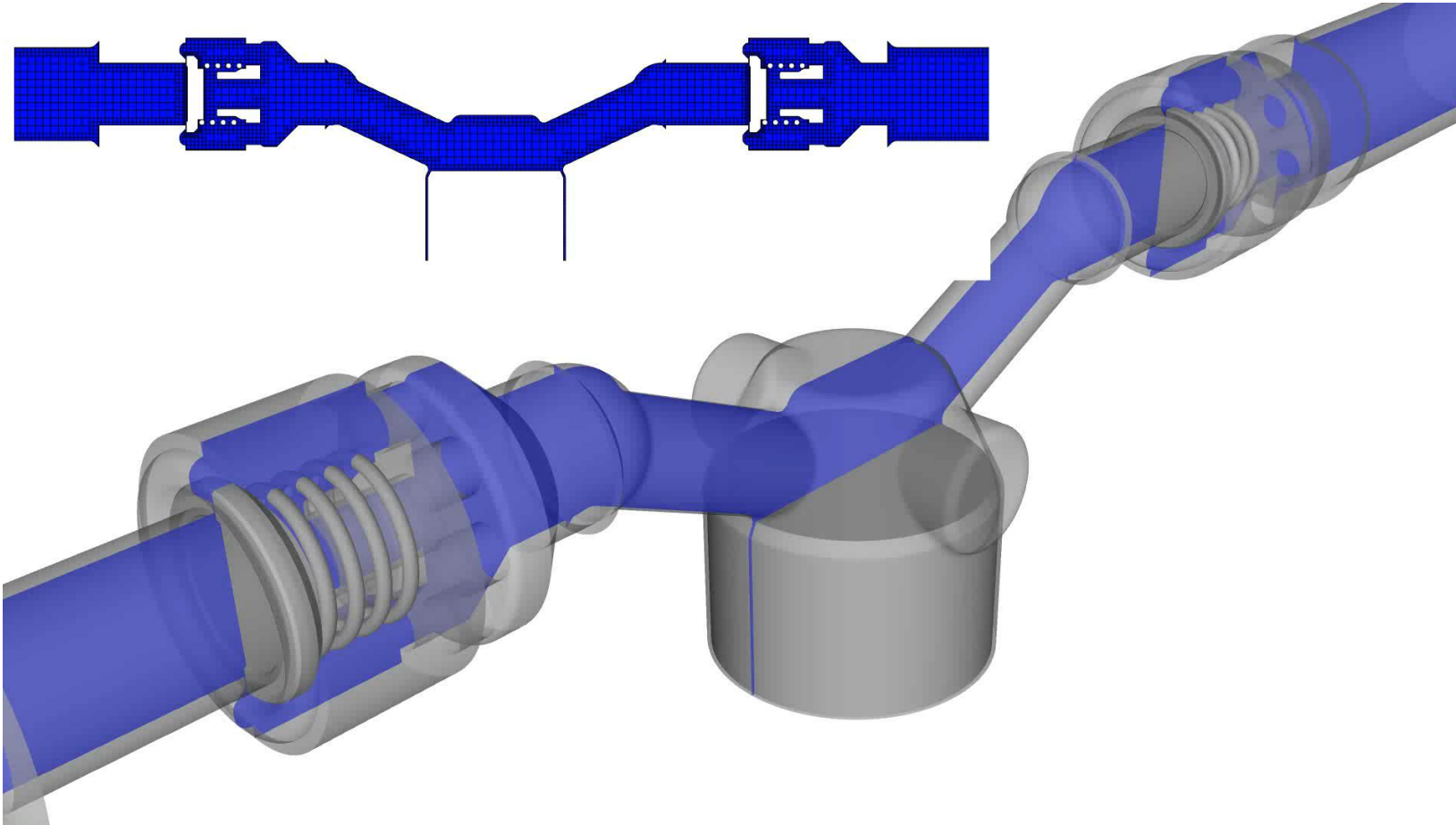


Scroll compressor validation case is a dry scroll vacuum pump operating between 17 kPa and 95 kPa

Modeling the clearance flow is critical to obtaining the non-ideal performance curves.

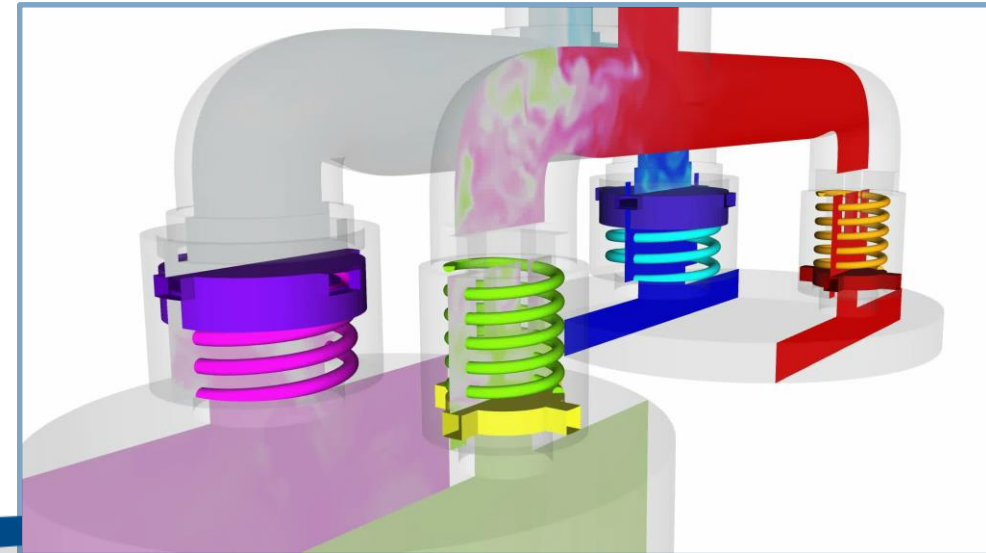
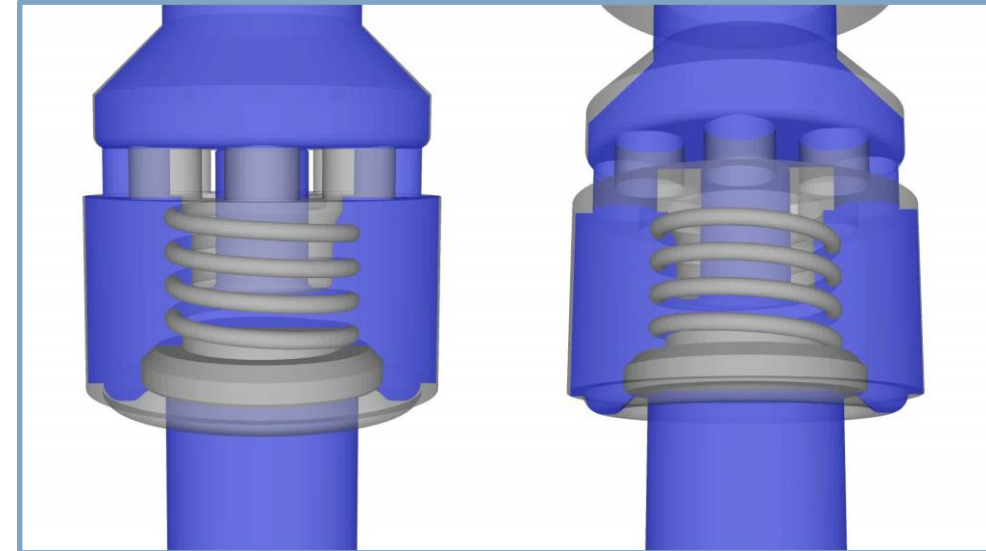
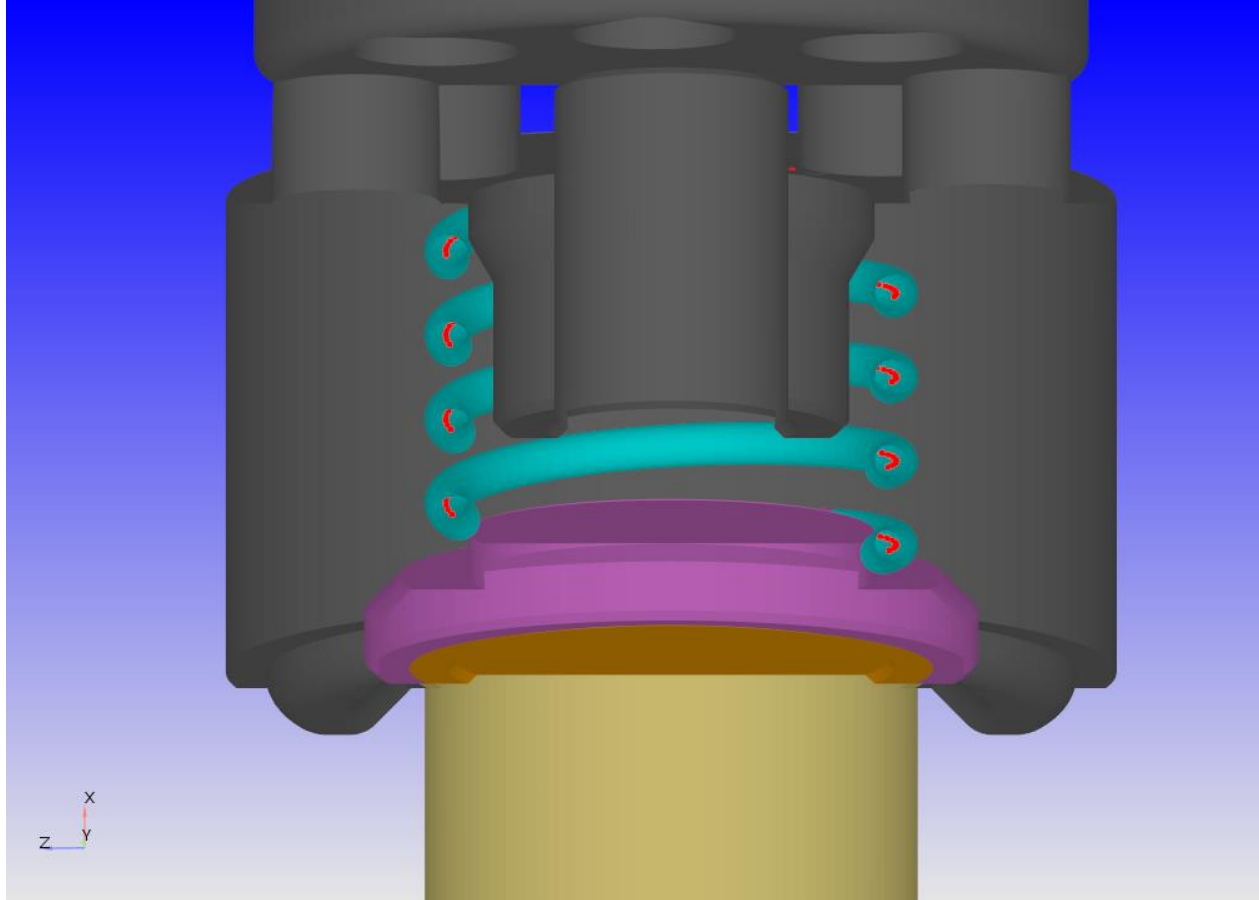


Reciprocating Pumps: High Pressure Fuel Pump



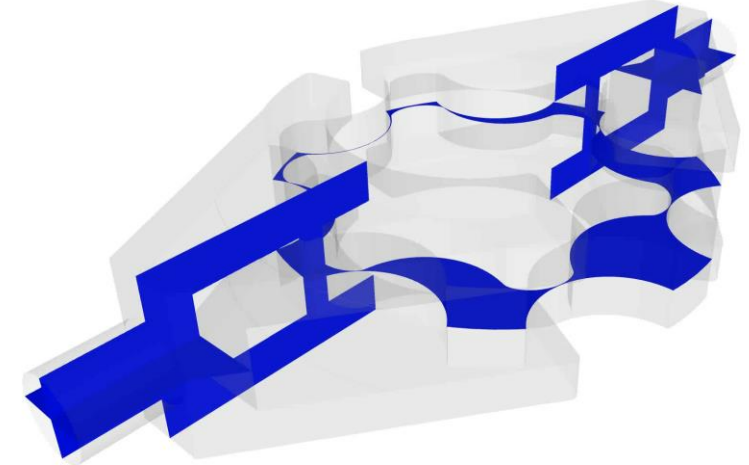
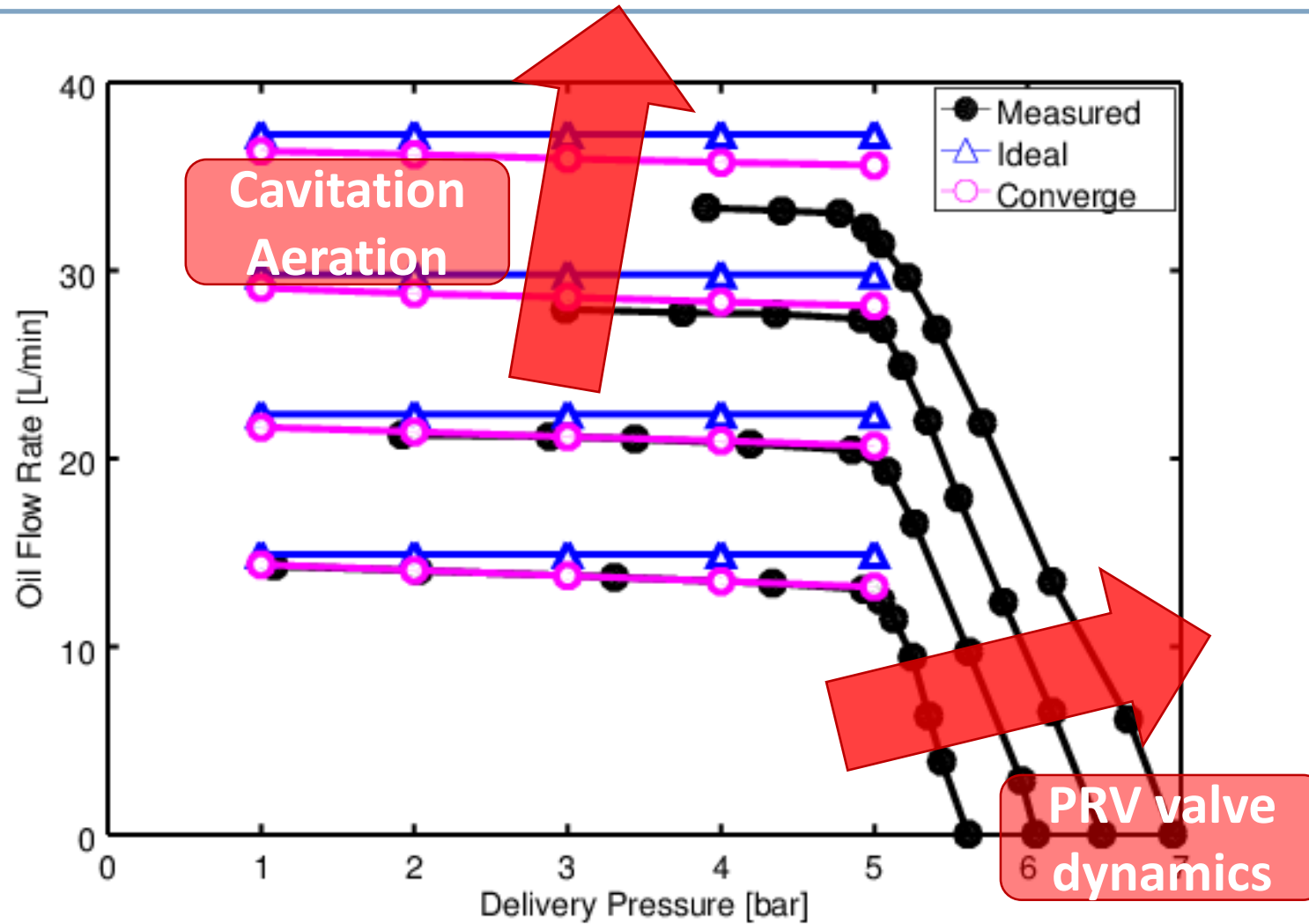
Reciprocating Pumps: High Pressure Fuel Pump

New volume-conserving spring motion function:



Helix centers and cross sections automatically detected
Volume-conserving mappings applied based on position

Gear Pumps: Gerotor Oil Pump



Gerotor validation case:

Proper clearance flows are required to obtain differences from ideal capacity

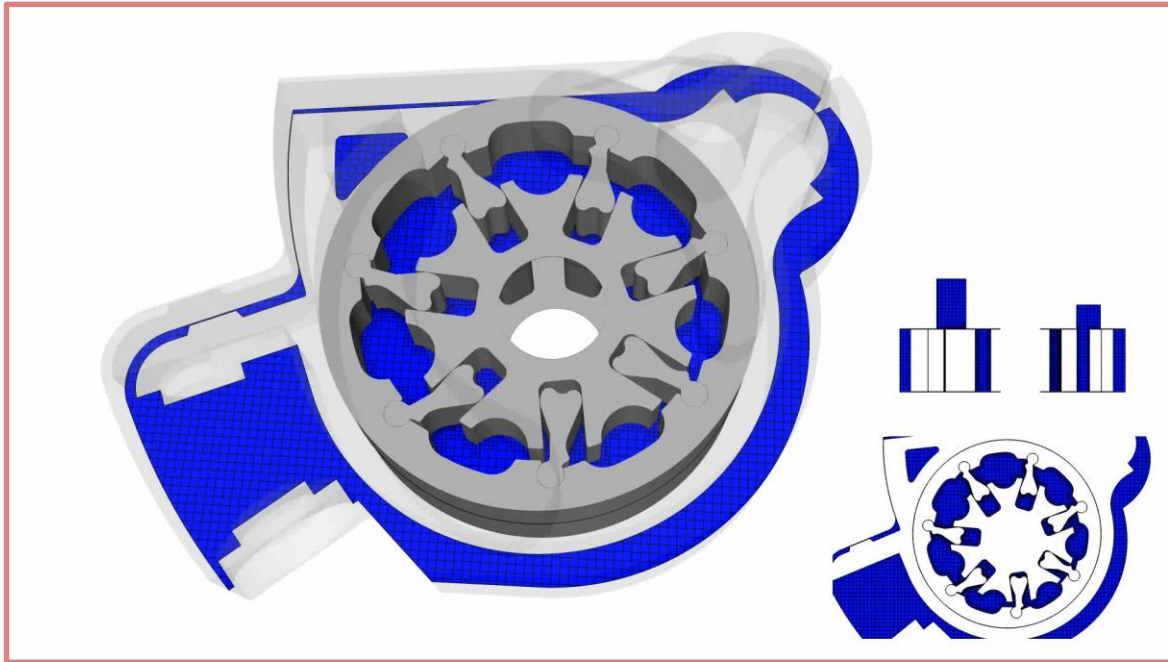
Cavitation and aeration more important at higher flow rates

PRV dynamics (not in current model) necessary for higher pressures

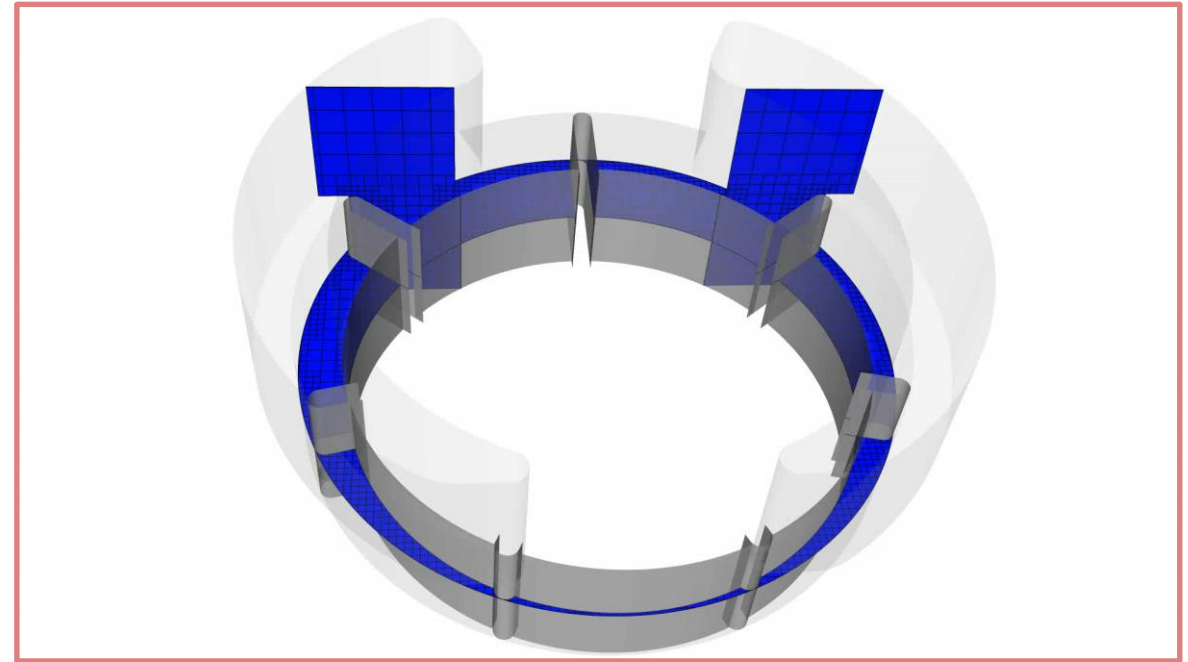
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Related Applications

Pendulum Slider Oil Pump



Vane Oil Pump



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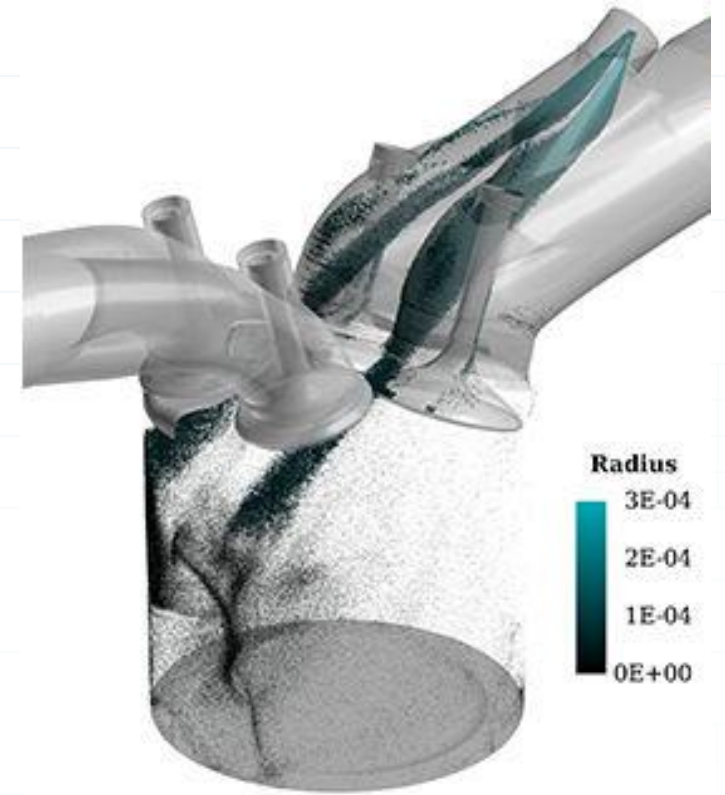
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