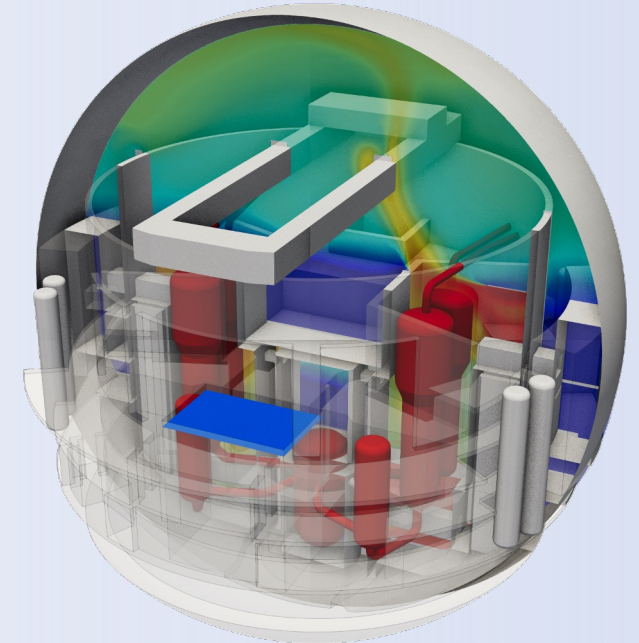
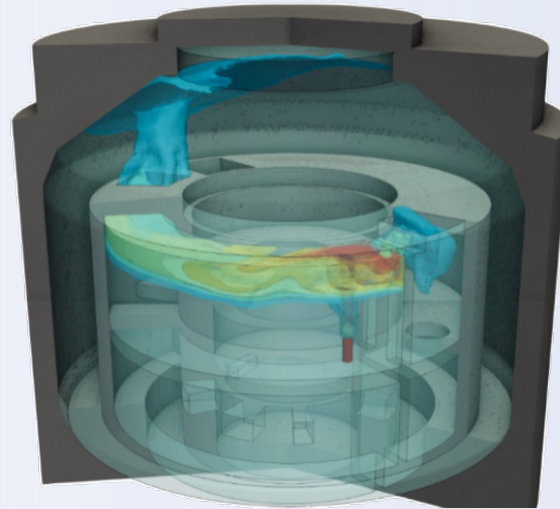
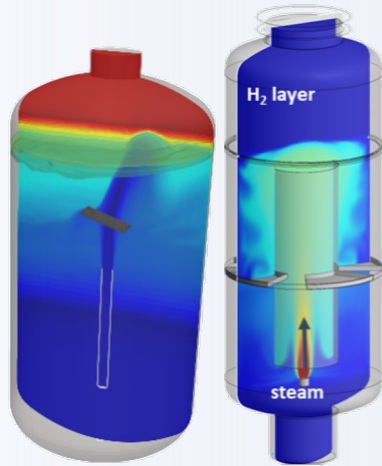


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# Introduction to *containmentFOAM*

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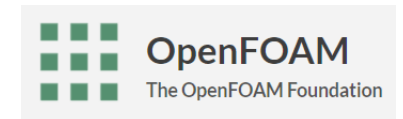
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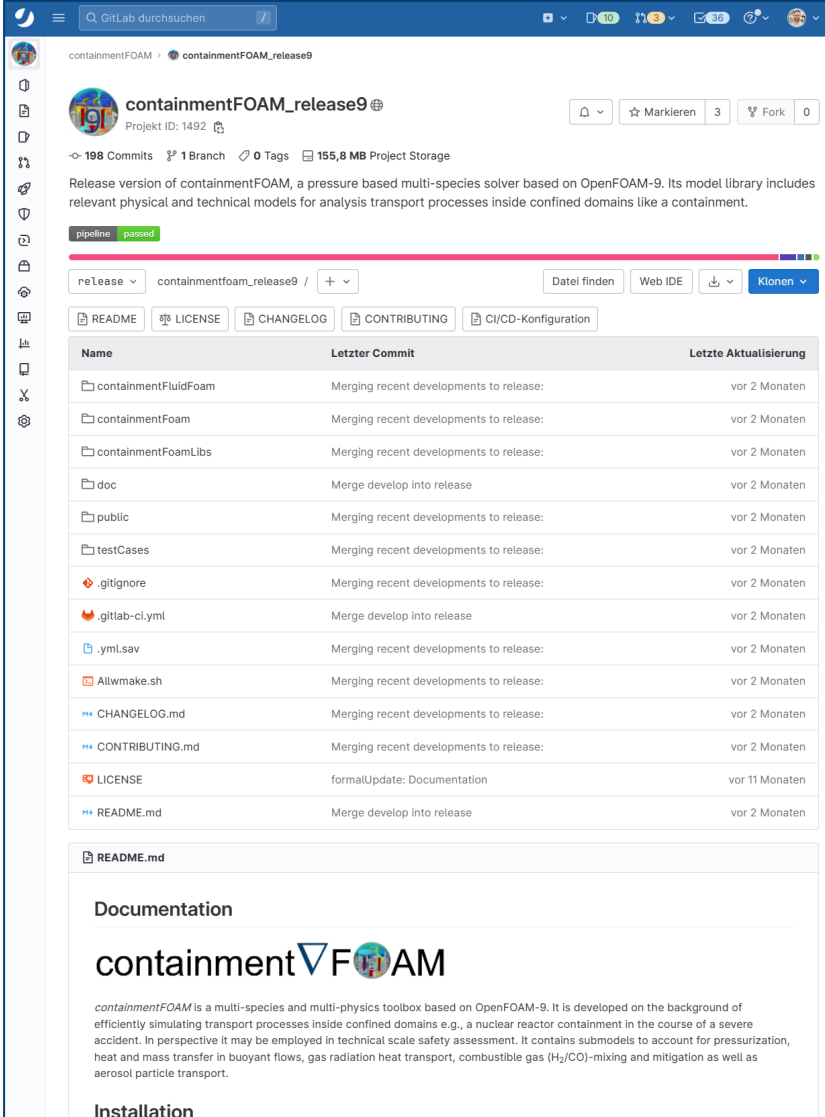
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- Public containmentFOAM repository  
<https://go.fzj.de/containmentFOAM>

containmentFOAM\_release9

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Release version of containmentFOAM, a pressure based multi-species solver based on OpenFOAM-9. Its model library includes relevant physical and technical models for analysis transport processes inside confined domains like a containment.

pipeline passed

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containmentFluidFoam	Merging recent developments to release:	vor 2 Monaten
containmentFoam	Merging recent developments to release:	vor 2 Monaten
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### Documentation

# containmentFOAM

containmentFOAM is a multi-species and multi-physics toolbox based on OpenFOAM-9. It is developed on the background of efficiently simulating transport processes inside confined domains e.g., a nuclear reactor containment in the course of a severe accident. In perspective it may be employed in technical scale safety assessment. It contains submodels to account for pressurization, heat and mass transfer in buoyant flows, gas radiation heat transport, combustible gas (H<sub>2</sub>/CO)-mixing and mitigation as well as aerosol particle transport.

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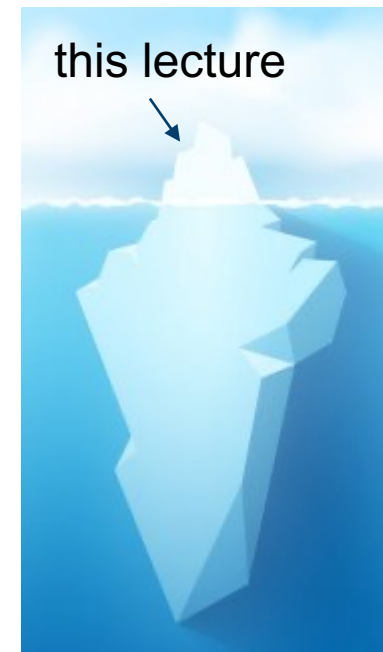
# OBJECTIVES OF THIS LECTURE

- give an example of how to tailor OpenFOAM for a nuclear safety application
  - what is containmentFOAM
  - ..and what are its target applications ?

} we'll discuss a bit about Severe Accidents & containment analysis

- which functionality do we use
  - standard functionality in OF can we use
  - .. and which specialized modeling approaches do we need?
  - .. and how are they implemented ?

} we'll have a quick look at the models and code
- future perspectives of containmentFOAM



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# SEVERE ACCIDENTS

## Defense-in-Depth Safety Concept of NPPs

### ■ IAEA Definition (1996)

- Concept of staggered barriers against release of fission products:

- Fuel matrix
- Fuel cladding
- Reactor cooling system
- Containment

- Protection of the barriers by multi-level measures

#### ➤ Severe Accident: Level 4&5

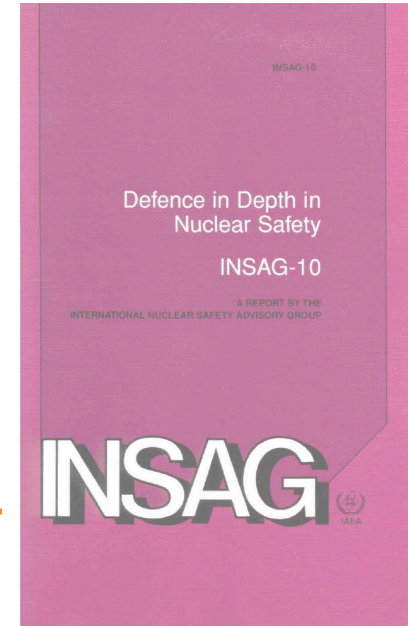
- Failure of all active systems
- Damage of one or more barriers (fuel matrix, cladding and RCS)

**Remaining barrier: Containment**

Levels of defence in depth	Objective	Essential means
Level 1	Prevention of abnormal operation and failures	Conservative design and high quality in construction and operation
Level 2	Control of abnormal operation and detection of failures	Control, limiting and protection systems and other surveillance features
Level 3	Control of accidents within the design basis	Engineered safety features and accident procedures
Level 4	Control of severe plant conditions, including prevention of accident progression and mitigation of the consequences of severe accidents	Complementary measures and accident management
Level 5	Mitigation of radiological consequences of significant releases of radioactive materials	Off-site emergency response

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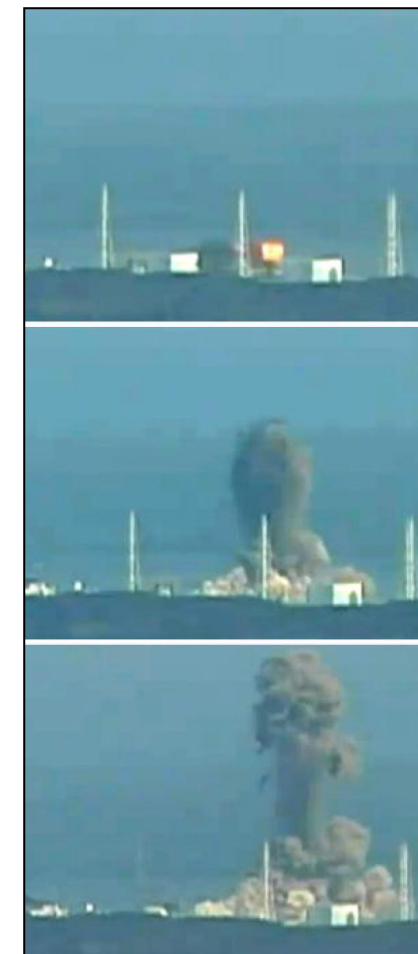
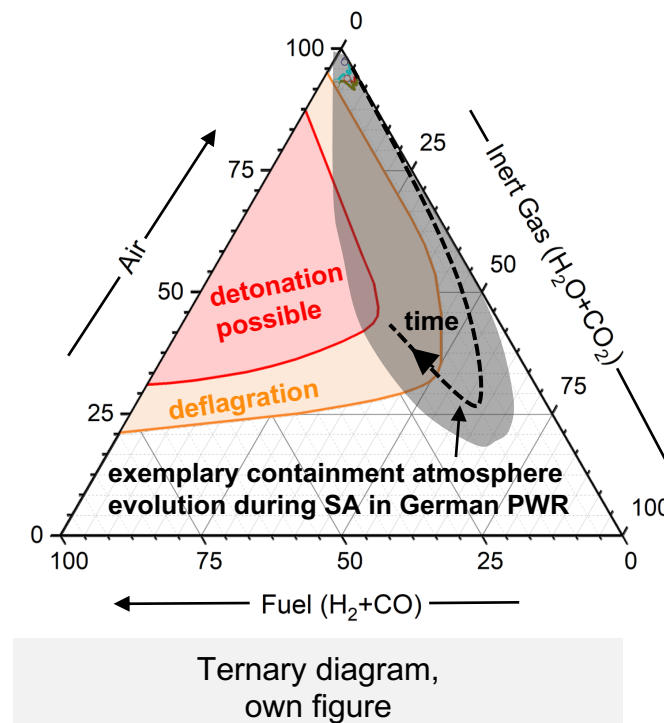


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# SEVERE ACCIDENTS

## Combustion Risk

- Continuous H<sub>2</sub> release during in-vessel and H<sub>2</sub>+CO+CO<sub>2</sub> release during ex-vessel phase
  - Formation of flammable mixtures possible due to
    - Local accumulation or atmospheric stratification
    - Condensation / venting of steam
  - Slow combustion:  $p < p_{AICC}$  (adiabatic isochoric complete combustion pressure)
    - Flame speed  $O \sim 1 \text{ cm/s}$  (thermal loads)
  - Fast combustion and DDT:  $p$  may locally exceed  $p_{AICC}$ 
    - Flame speed  $O \sim 100 \text{ m/s} \dots c$  (speed of sound)
    - Shock waves, dynamic effects (mechanical loads)
  - Standing flames:
    - Local overheating of structures  
(e.g. by the continuous burning of the hydrogen generated during MCCI)



H<sub>2</sub> explosion at F1-3

# CFD APPLICATION TO SEVERE ACCIDENTS

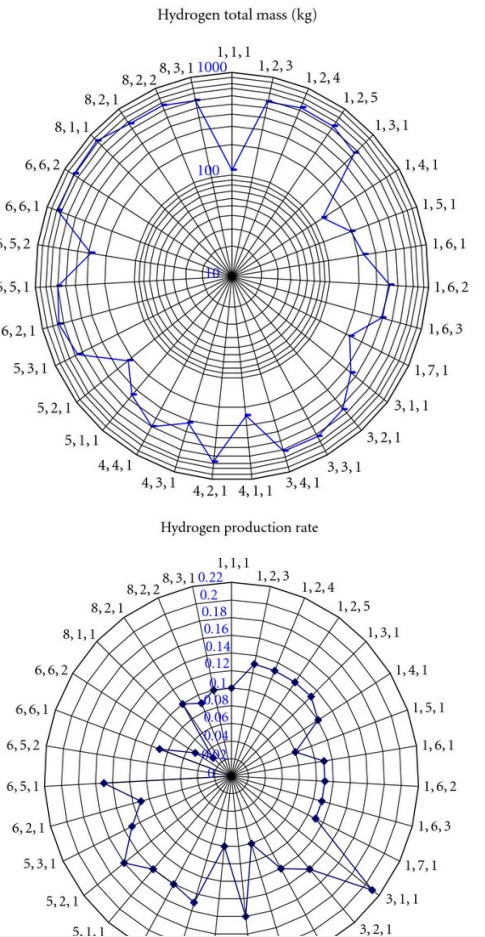
## Analysis Chain

- CFD is mostly used as an element in a safety assessment, e.g., H<sub>2</sub>-risk:
  - Step 1 – Selection of plant design and geometry
  - Step 2 – Selection of relevant scenarios – Probabilistic methods, fast running codes
  - Step 3 – Determination of source terms from core damage
  - Step 4 – **Analysis of gas mixing and flammable cloud evolution**
    - System codes, 3D and CFD codes (containment  $\nabla$  F $\oplus$ AM)
  - Step 5 – Assess potential of flame acceleration (or DDT) – empirical criteria
  - Step 6 – **Evaluation of pressure loads (e.g., explosionDynamicsFoam)**
  - Step 7 – **Implementation of safety measures, re-assessment (step 4-6)** or determination of structural response (FSI)

Adopted from:

W. Breitung, P. Royl, "Procedure and tools for deterministic analysis and control of hydrogen behavior in severe accidents", Nuclear Engineering and Design 202, 2000

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Total H<sub>2</sub> mass and release rate for different scenarios at a French PWR900  
Figures from Bentaib et al.,2010

# CFD APPLICATION TO SEVERE ACCIDENTS

## Experimental Database and (System) Code Validation

- CFD can fill the gaps between experiments and system code (validation)
  - Detailed understanding where measurements are impossible or difficult (e.g., rough conditions, fast transients)
    - Supporting evaluation of the experiment, design of appropriate nodalisation scheme or evaluation of closure models
  - Comparably cheap for parametric studies (DoE, Sensitivity etc.)
    - Supporting design and evaluation of application-oriented experiments, scaling
  - Virtual transfer of experiential results (scaling, interactions under realistic conditions)
  - Assessment of local / 3D effects & geometrical constraints
    - Quantification of safety margins / implications, effectiveness of passive safety systems
- Challenges:
  - Isolation of the ‘problem’ and definition of IC&BC with higher level of detail
  - Often need for ‘non-standard’ models
  - Consideration of ‘system feedback’

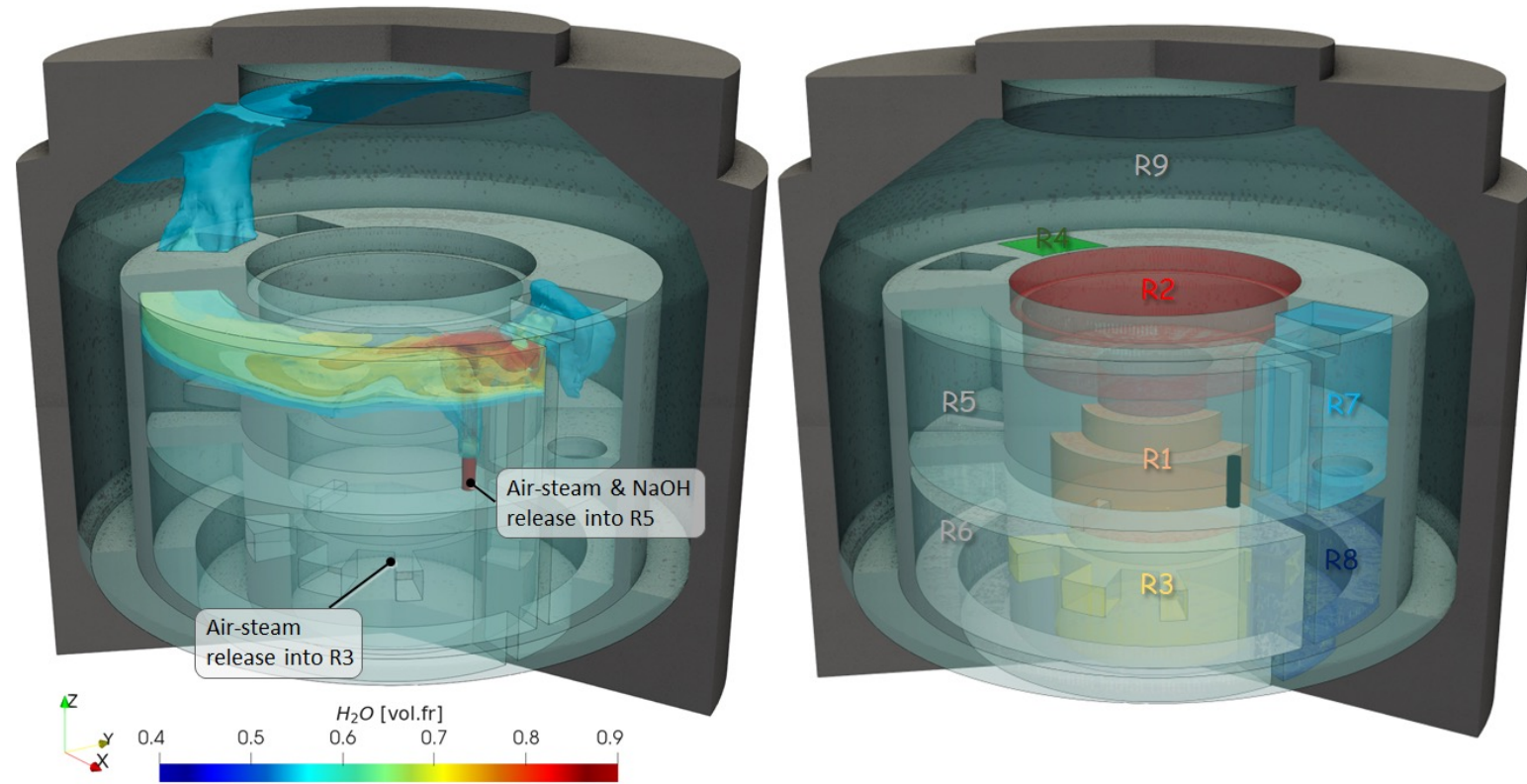
# APPLICATION EXAMPLES

- Re-assessment of the ISP-37 VANAM M3 experiment in the Batelle Model Containment
- Integration in the analysis chain for combustion risk assessment in a PWR containment
- H<sub>2</sub> risk assessment in industrial installations
- In perspective: Application to iPWR SMR concepts safety assessment

# APPLICATION EXAMPLES

## ISP37 - VANAM M3 Experiment - Experimental Setup

- Multi-compartment Aerosol Depletion Test with Soluble / Hygroscopic Aerosol Material (NaOH)
  - ~626 m<sup>3</sup> Battelle Model Containment
  - 9 compartments representing the characteristic (German) PWR containment compartmentalization
  - Concrete building without liner  
→ leakage
  - Experimental campaign conducted in 1990's → no digital documentation
  - Integral effect tests

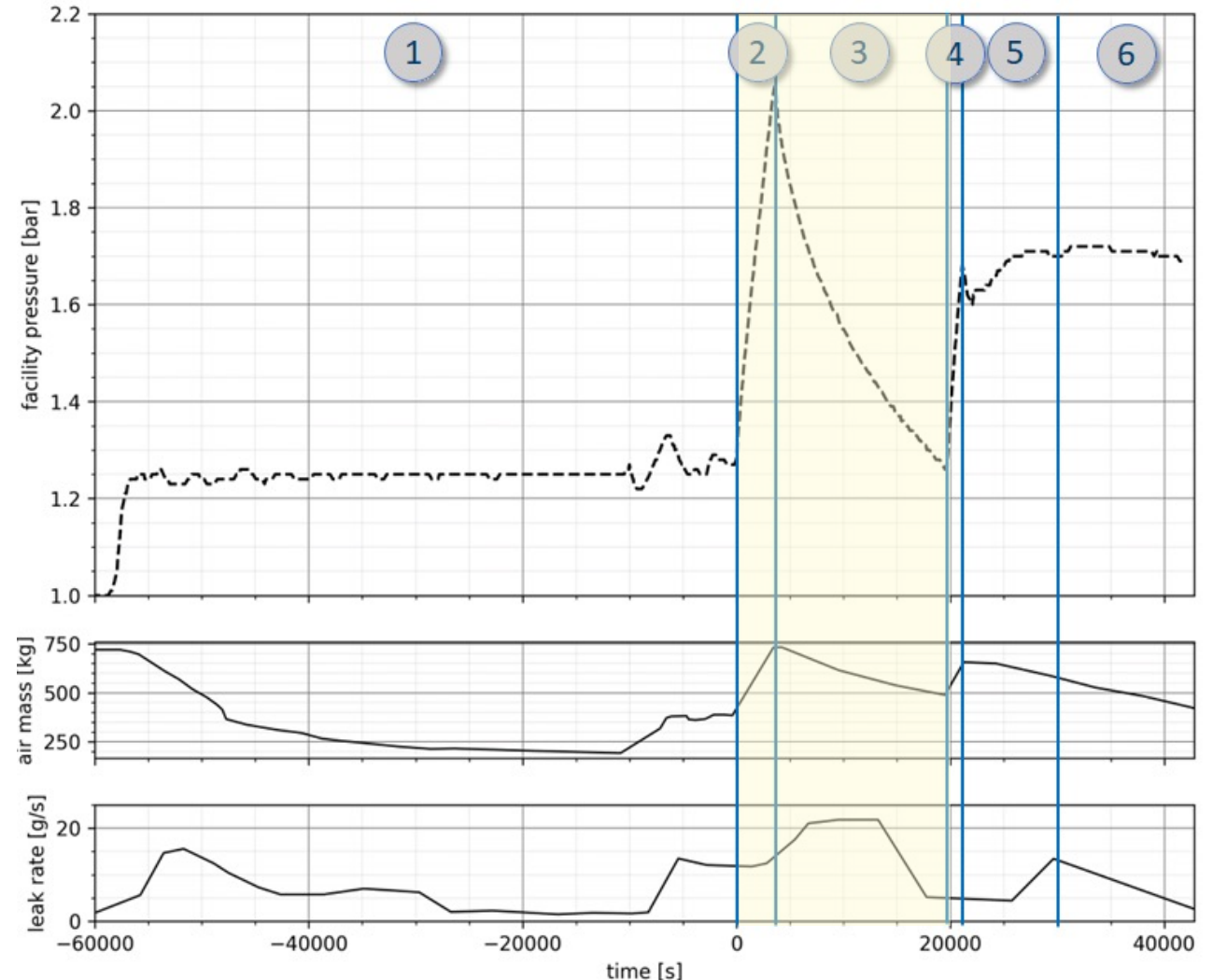


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# APPLICATION EXAMPLES

## ISP37 - VANAM M3 Experiment - Procedure

- Complex 30 h transient
  - phase 1: facility pre-conditioning and heat-up
  - phase 2: first NaOH aerosol injection to R5 (suspended in steam-air mixture)
  - Phase 3: aerosol depletion
  - Phase 4: second NaOH injection to R5
  - Phase 5: aerosol depletion while steam injection to R3
  - Phase 6: aerosol depletion while steam injection to R5
- Here application-oriented assessment based on phases 2-3



# APPLICATION EXAMPLES

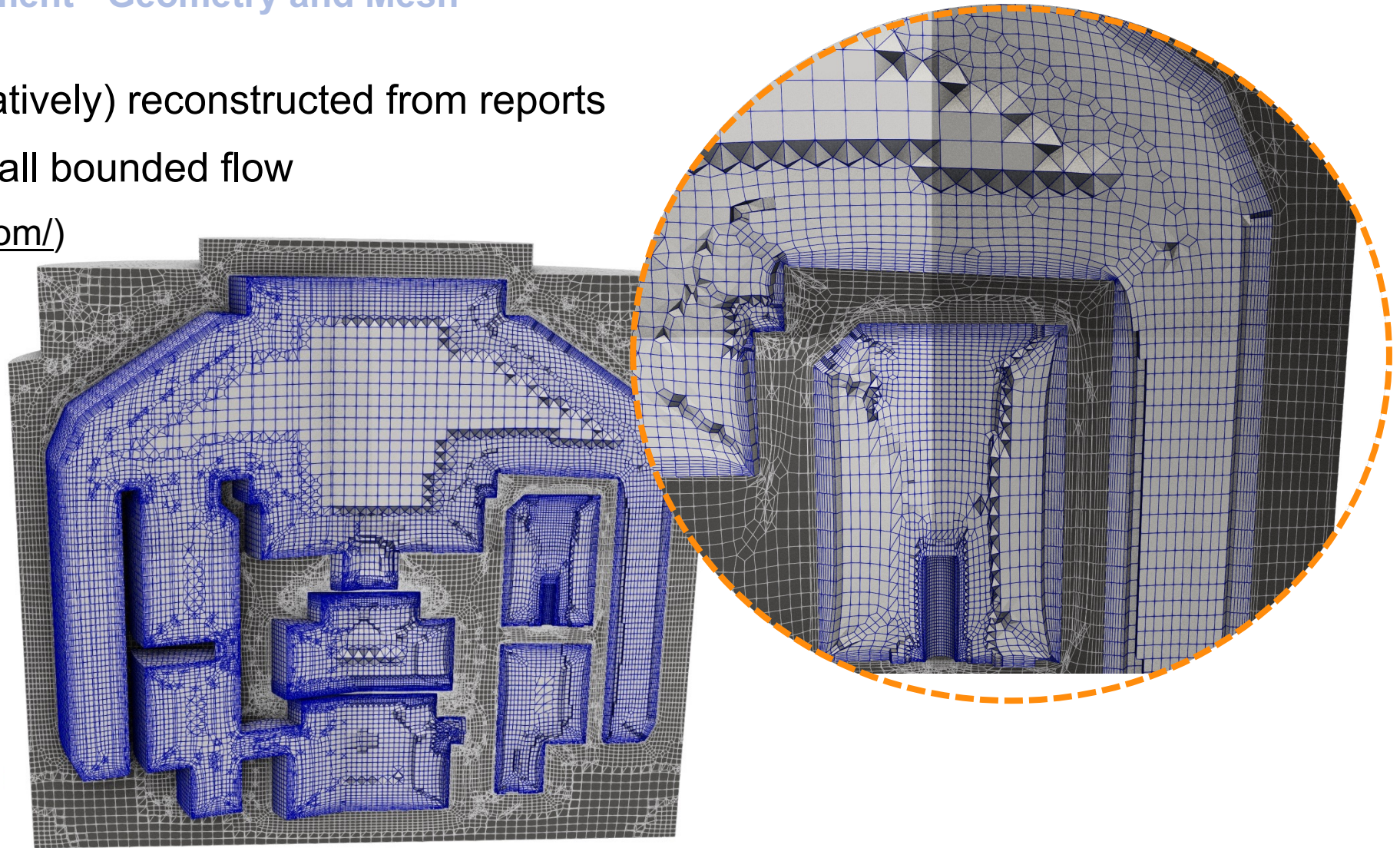
## ISP37 - VANAM M3 Experiment - Geometry and Mesh

- Geometry (partly qualitatively) reconstructed from reports
- Multi-compartmented wall bounded flow

-  (<https://cfmesh.com/>)  
CF-MESH+

### Mesh statistics:

- Solid cells: 1.97 mill
- Fluid cells: 2.55 mill
- min. face angle  $> 10^\circ$
- ave. face angle  $\sim 78^\circ$

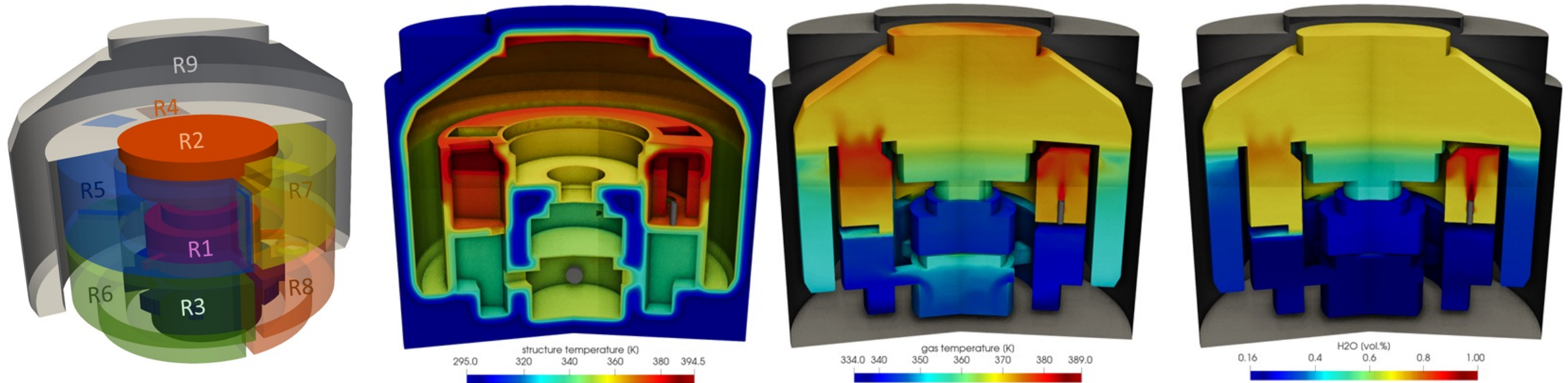




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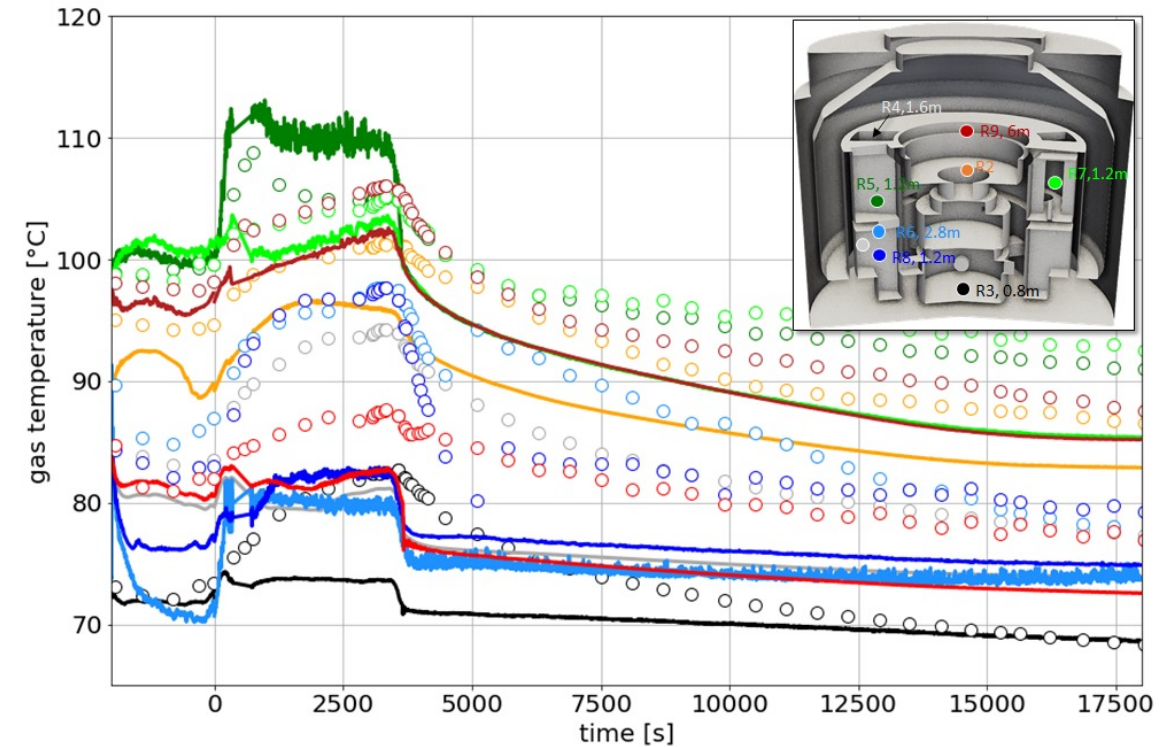
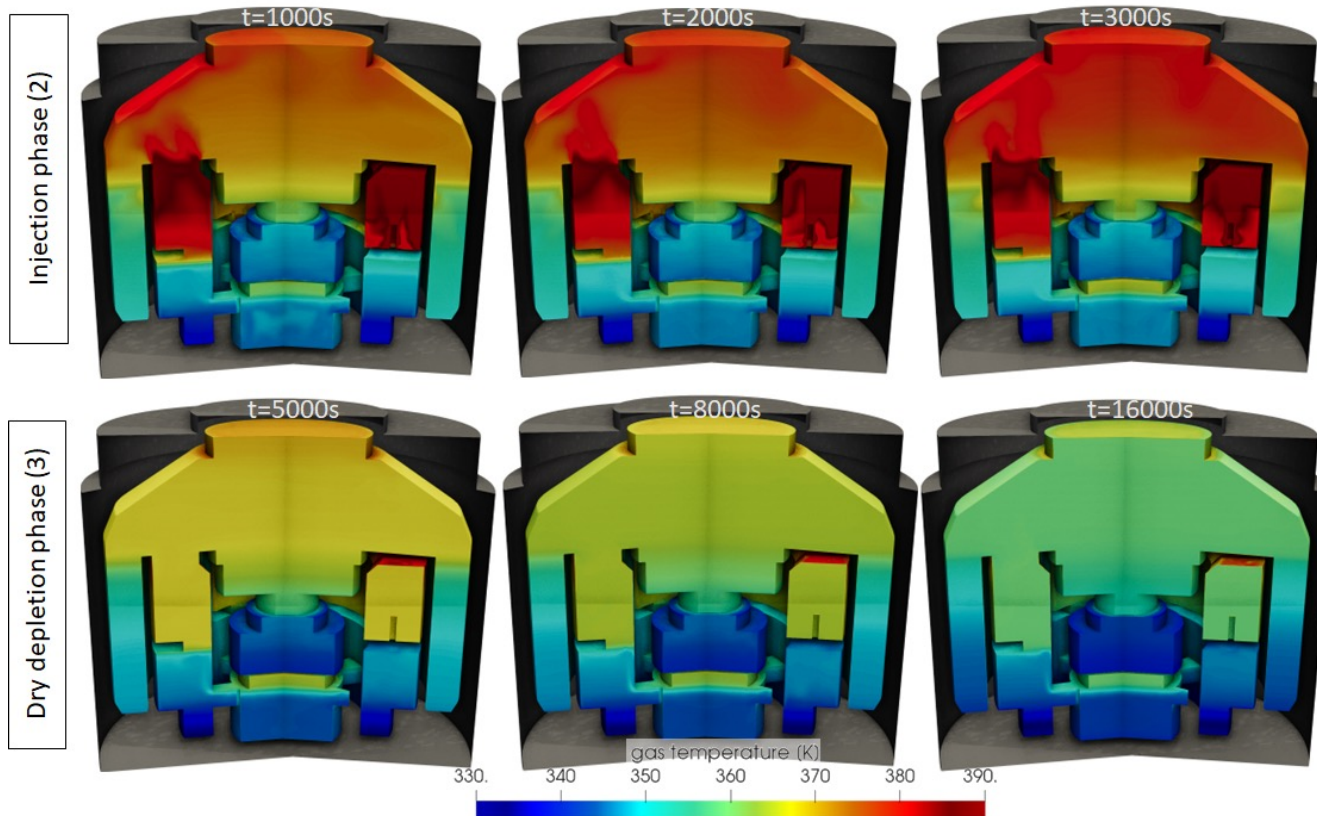
## ISP37 - VANAM M3 Experiment - Initial and Boundary Conditions

- Avoiding simulating the pre-conditioning phase (~17h) by estimating initial fields:
  - Structures: imposing measured temperatures and diffusing heat for 10.000 s
  - Atmosphere: imposing measured temperatures and run 2.000 s of the transient to obtain 3D turbulent flow field



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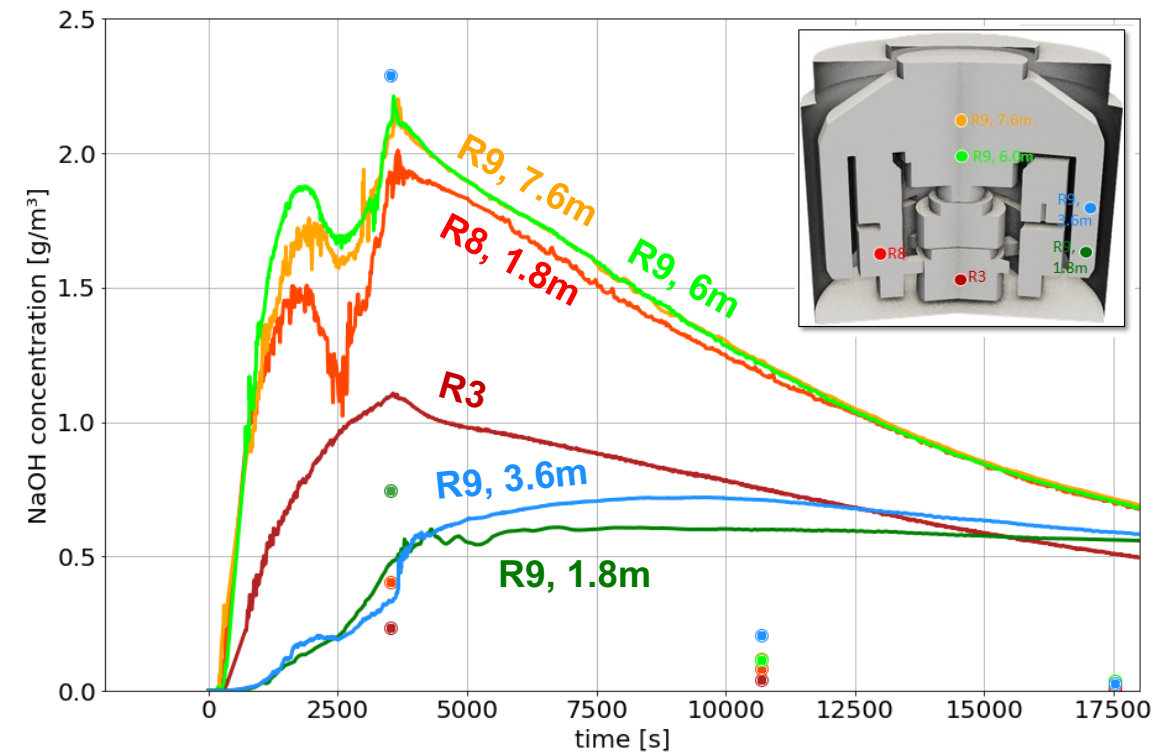
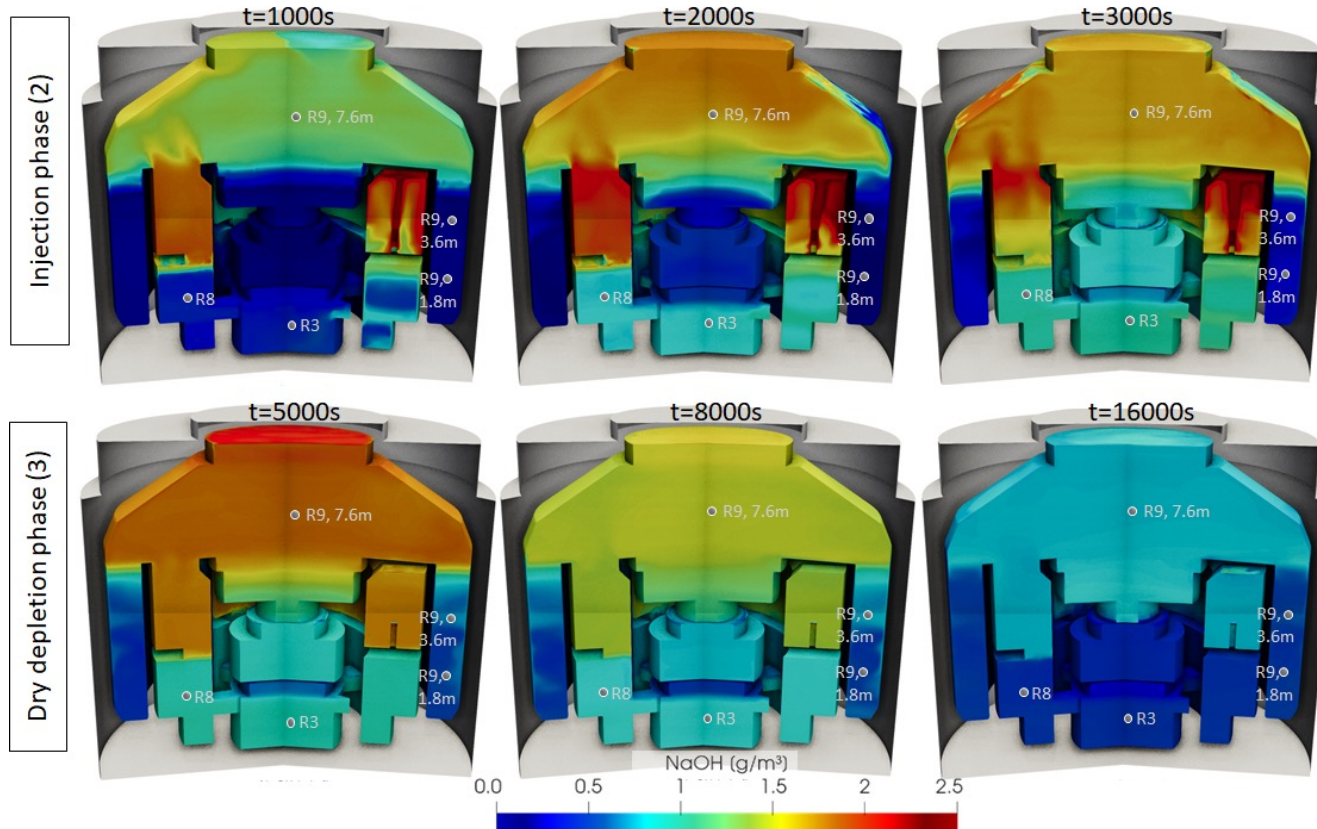
## ISP37 - VANAM M3 Experiment - Gas temperature field



➤ Reasonable predictions above injection (R2, R5, R6, R9) but visible differences below (R3, R8, R4)

# APPLICATION EXAMPLES

## ISP37 - VANAM M3 Experiment - NaOH aerosol distribution



- Distribution according to flow, however depletion is underpredicted
- Large uncertainties w.r.t size distribution at injection and measurements (only dry samples)

# APPLICATION EXAMPLES

## ISP37 - VANAM M3 Experiment - Conclusions

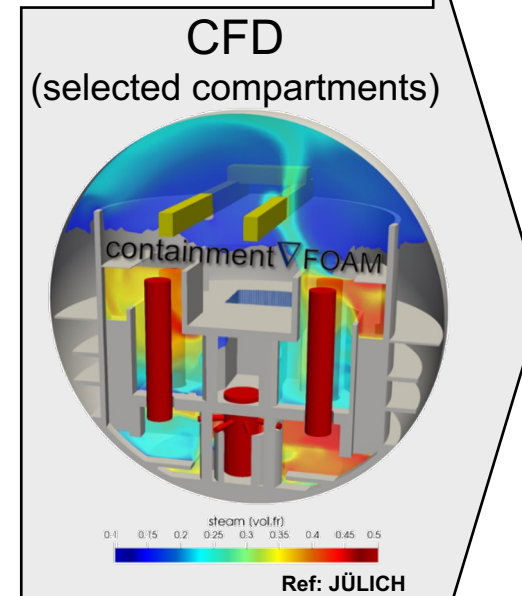
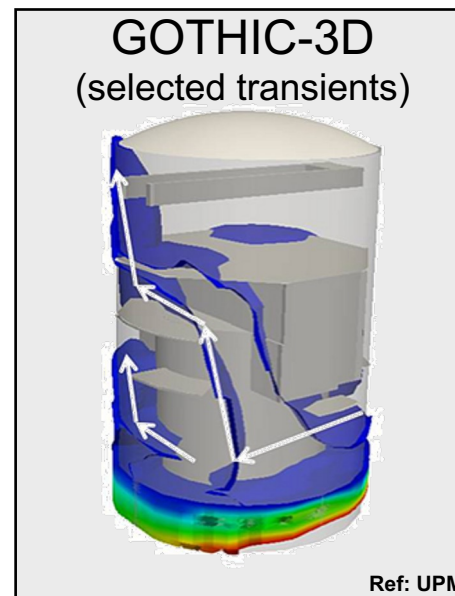
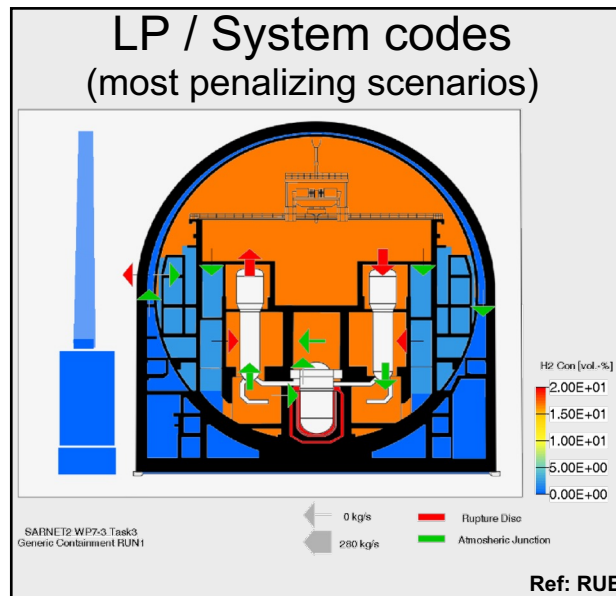
- FOAK application containment  $\nabla$  F<sup>RAM</sup> package to application scale and coupled aerosol transport
- Challenging case with considerable uncertainties (digitalization, leakage), but
- Plausibility and applicability successfully demonstrated.
- Simulation performance:
  - excellent solver stability
  - 128 Intel Xeon Gold CPU @ 3.80 GHz, 4x96 GB RAM, Infiniband network (~20 k cells/core)
  - transient time: 400-700 s/d depending on phase ( $\Delta t < 0.03s$ ; CFL < 10)
  - significant impact of injection modeling / resolution (here  $w_{inlet} \sim 15$  m/s) → explore simplifications
- Methodology is 'application ready' but still expensive for several hours' long transients

# APPLICATION EXAMPLES



■ Work package 4: Full Containment Analysis (01/2023 – 04/2024)

- Comparative analysis of Containment response conducted for generic KWU, VVER and Westinghouse/French PWR



- combustion risk
- effectiveness of mitigative measures
- equipment surveillance
- instrumentation representativeness

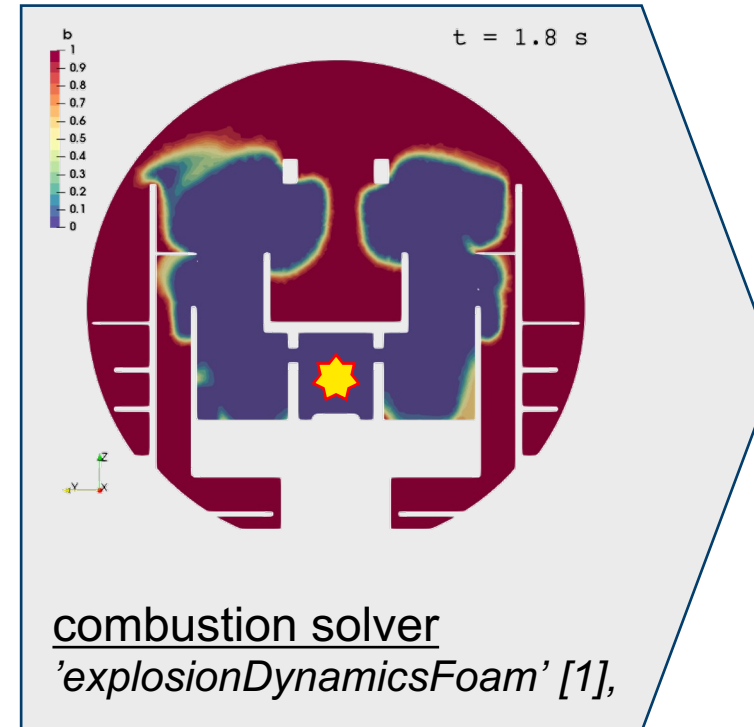
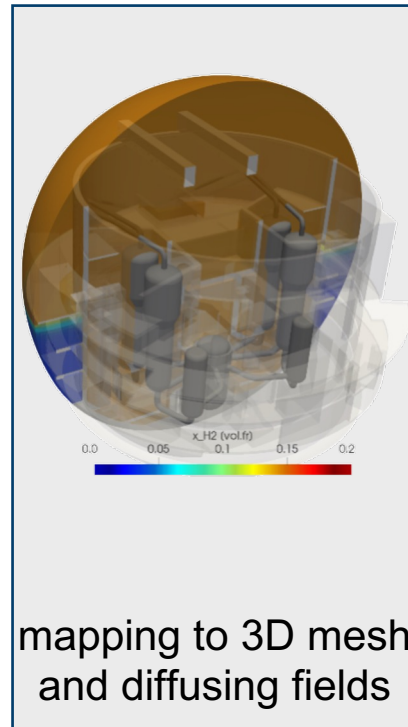
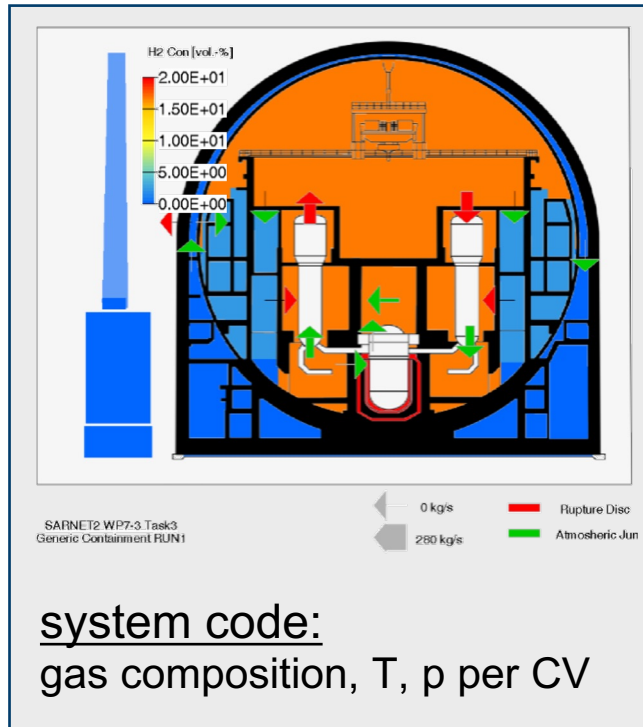
➤ Provide basis for revision of late phase SAMG (WP5)

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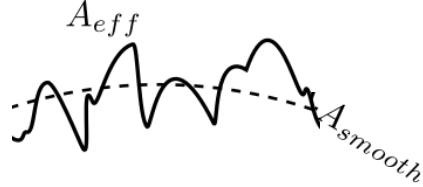
# APPLICATION EXAMPLES



- Initialization of CFD combustion load analysis from system codes (Hasslberger et al., NED 320, 2017)



**Flame wrinkling factor**



$$\Xi = \frac{S_{eff}}{S_L} \approx \frac{A_{eff}}{A_{smooth}}$$

Flame wrinkling due to **turbulence** or flame **instabilities** enhances the combustion rate.

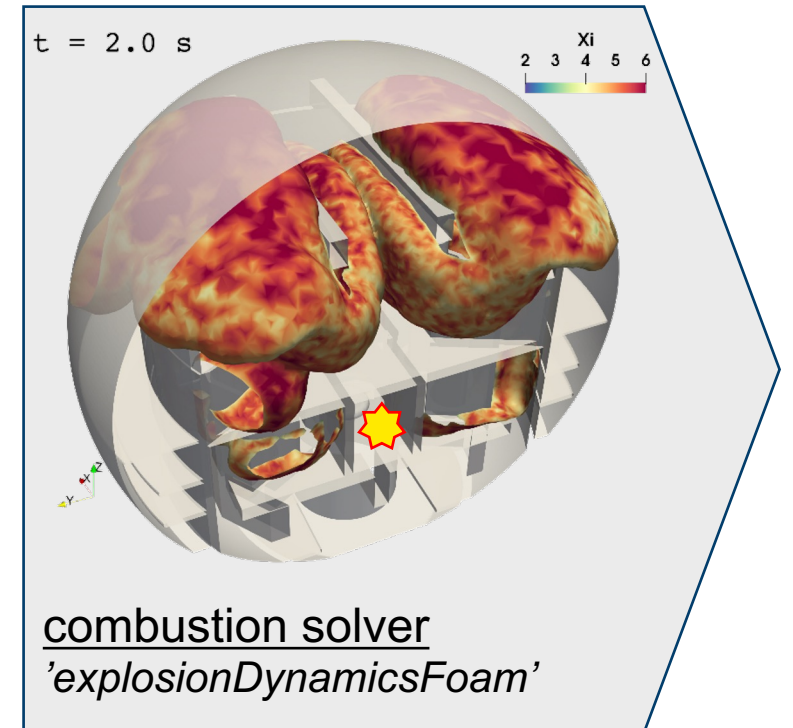
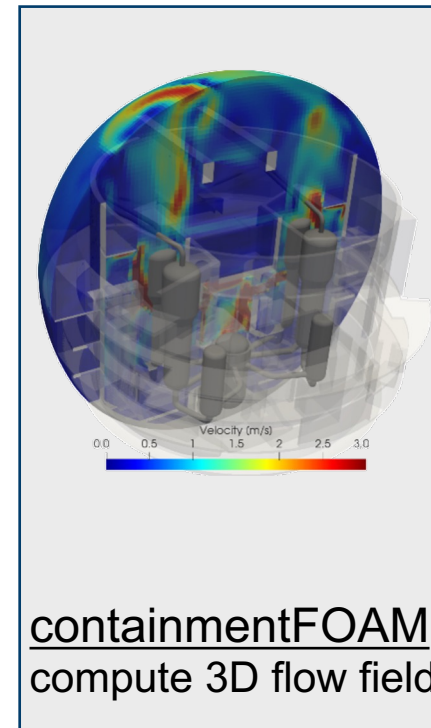
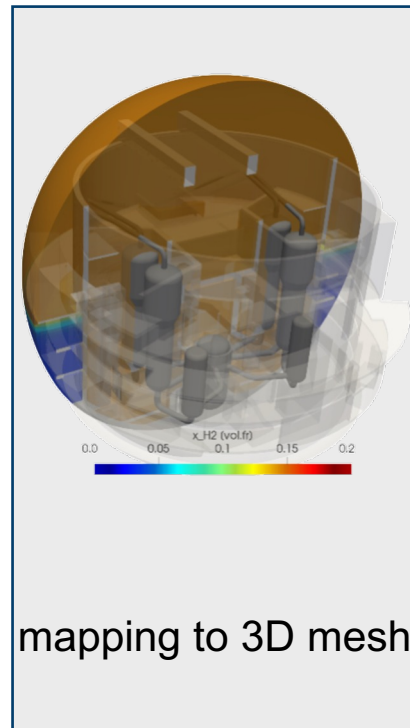
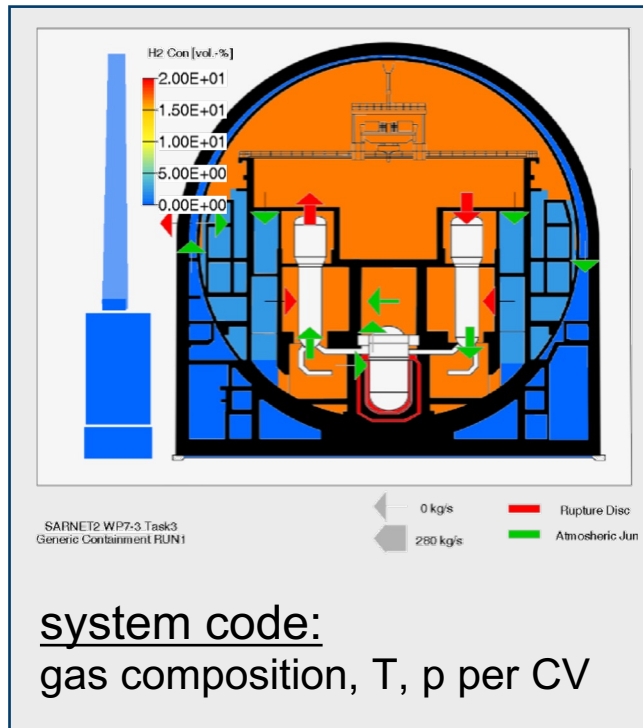
- Challenge: flame propagation characteristics depend on flow field and turbulence level, which cannot be obtained from system codes!

credits to D. Zivkovich

# APPLICATION EXAMPLES

## Integration in the Analysis Chain – Assessment of Combustion Loads

- Initialization of CFD combustion load analysis from system codes (Hasslberger et al., NED 320, 2017)



- Solution: 3D buoyancy driven turbulent flow field is estimated as IC by running a short transient (here t=360s) before mapping to the combustion solver credits to D. Zivkovich

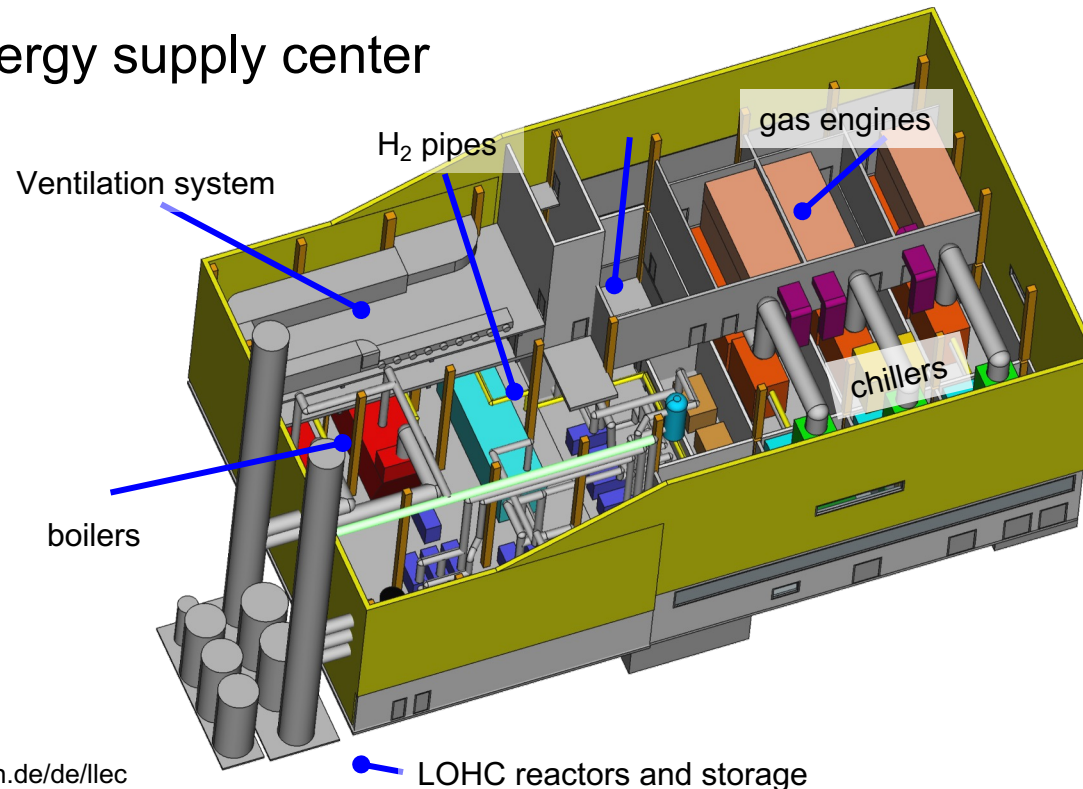
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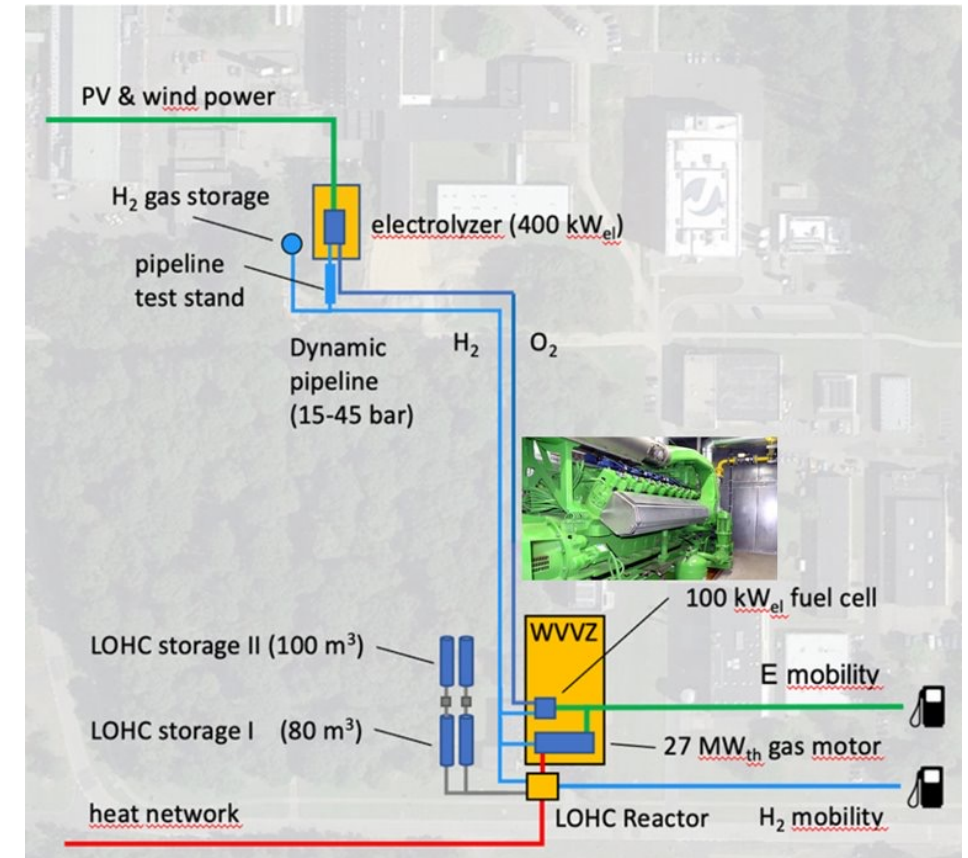


## Living Lab Energy Campus (LLEC)

- Scientific technological platform for the development of highly integrated energy systems and predictive control strategies for heat, electricity, storage and mobility
- Central energy supply center



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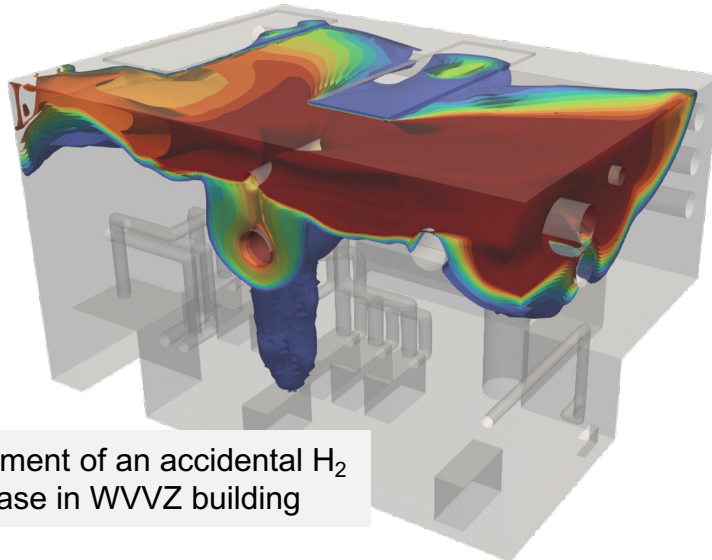


# APPLICATION EXAMPLES



## Living Lab Energy Campus (LLEC)

- Pre-normative safety research supporting R&D and future technical applications of sector-coupled energy systems

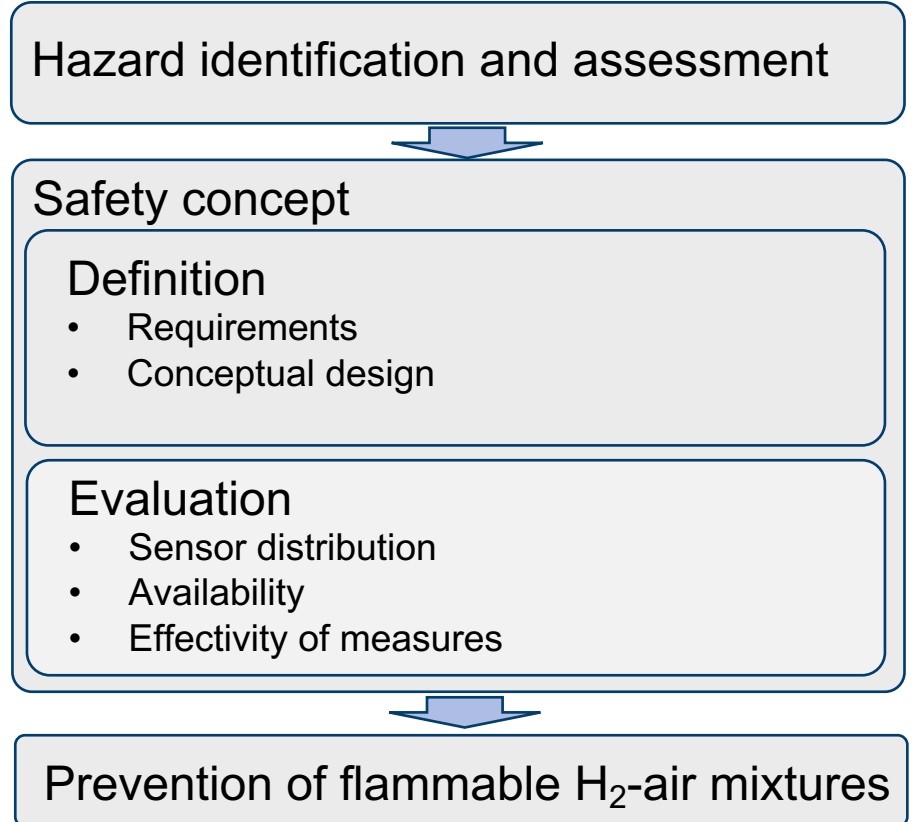


Assessment of an accidental H<sub>2</sub> release in WVZ building

Standards &  
Safety Principles  
EHSS, HySAFE, ICHS

3D CFD  
containment 

- Modeling challenges:
  - Model D&V for different (environmental) boundary conditions
  - Integration of technical system behavior



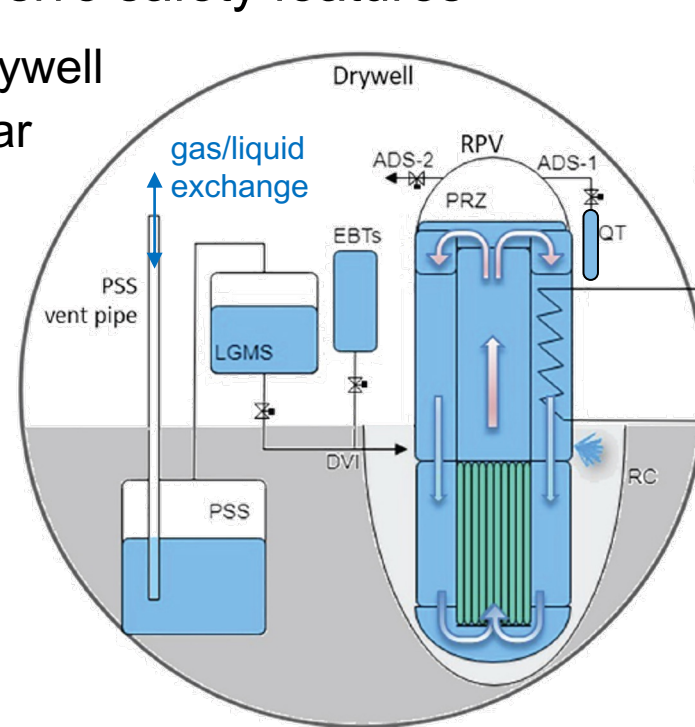
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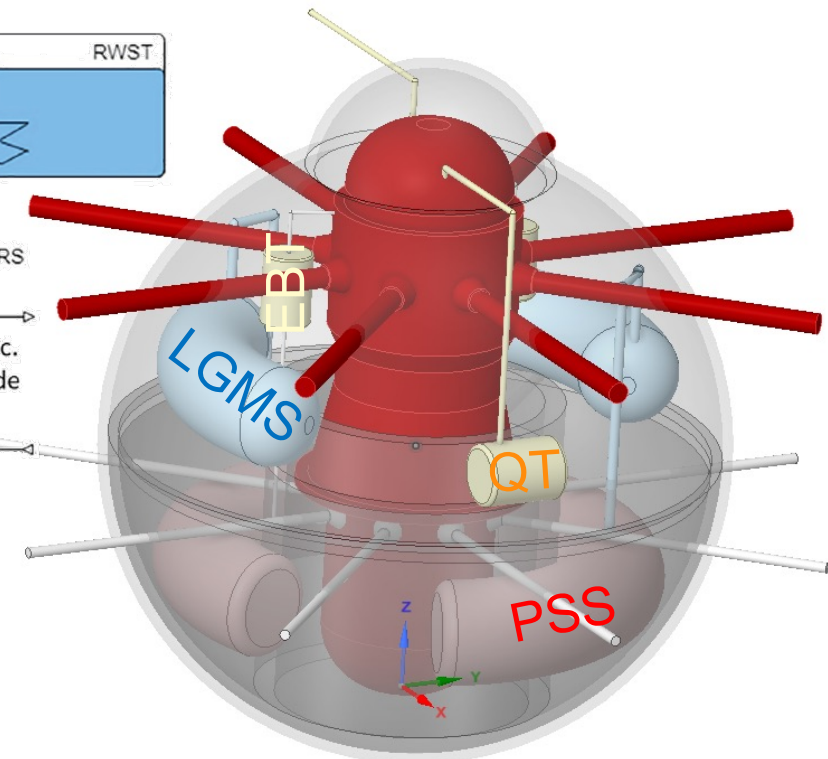
## SMR Applications

### ■ Example: iPWR concept with passive safety features

- Containment design: N<sub>2</sub> inerted Drywell  
V~4000m<sup>3</sup>, PSS V~1000m<sup>3</sup>, P<9bar
- DBA pressure up to 9 bar
- Modeling challenges:
  - Wall condensation at higher pressure and low non-condensable fraction
  - Liquid phase becomes significant (~10% of the free gas volume)
  - Strong interaction with connected LGMS and PSS systems: Condensation and amount of non-condensables stored in their gas space



IRIS iPWR safety concept,  
figure from Maccari, 2023



IRIS iPWR,  
own figure

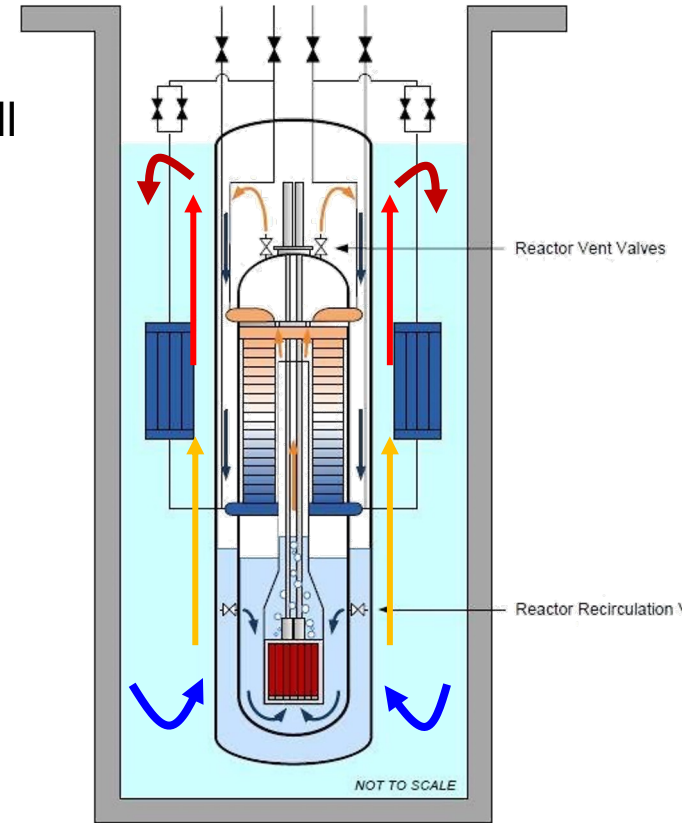
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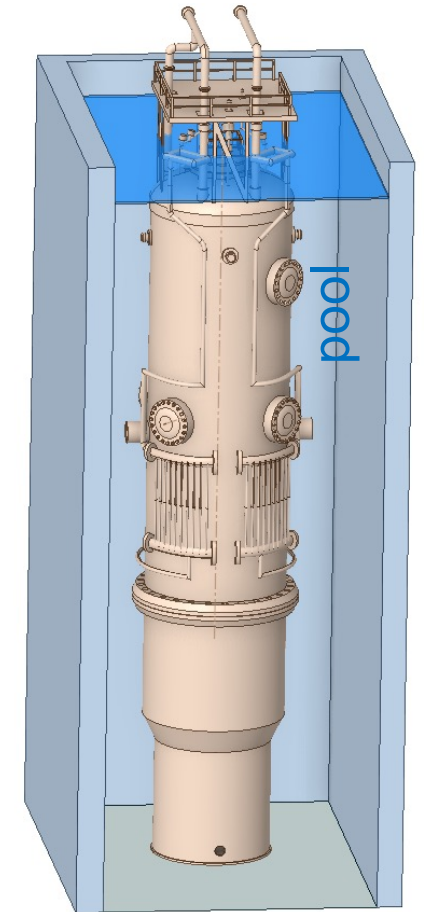
# APPLICATION PERSPECTIVES

## SMR Applications

- Example: iPWR with submerged containment
  - Containment design: N<sub>2</sub> inerted / evacuated Drywell  
V~1500-5000 m<sup>3</sup>, P<50 bar
  - Modeling challenges:
    - Wall condensation at high pressure and low (no) non-condensable fraction
    - Liquid phase becomes significant (considerable part of the free gas volume)
    - Strong interaction with connected external cooling of CV
    - Pool side: High Ra number convective heat transfer (beyond validity of existing emp. Correlations)




NuScale iPWR safety concept,  
figure from NuScale, 2014



NuScale iPWR,  
own figure

credits to C. Vázquez-Rodríguez

 Nuscale Power, NuScale Plant Design Overview, 2014  
<https://www.nrc.gov/docs/ML1432/ML14329B308.pdf>

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# DEVELOPMENT OF CONTAINMENTFOAM

## Strategy and General Considerations

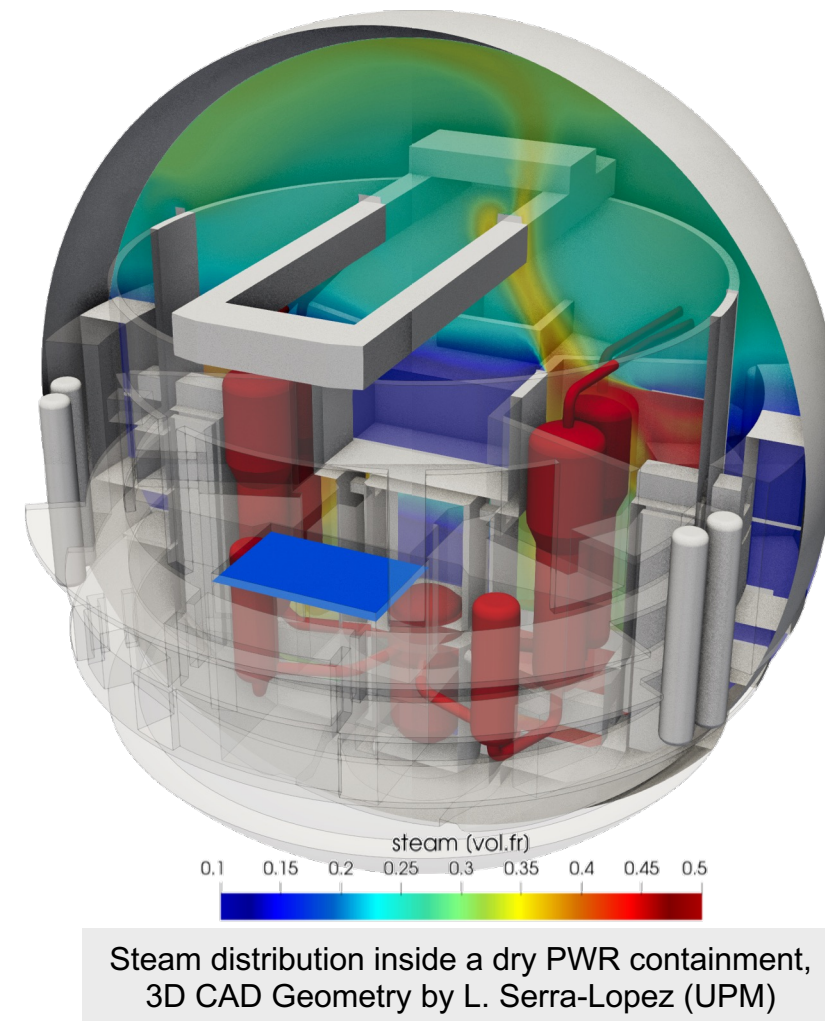
- Coordinated R&D effort (currently 14 active contributors, cumulative > 30 person years R&D)
  - Multi-scale and Multi-physics application:
    - All physical phenomena and their interaction need to be considered to be representative of an accident progression
      - No separate effect consideration possible, models have to be robustly coupled
      - Model basis has to be well balanced in terms of accuracy and efficiency
    - Baseline set of models
      - Model set with known limitations rather than optimal model for a specific condition
      - User guidance for consistent application of the baseline model
      - Limit maintenance effort
  - Framework / quality assurance
    - Guided case setup and solution monitoring
    - Common post processing (functionObjects), data handling and minimum I/O
    - Software framework for uncertainty quantification



# CONTAINMENT ATMOSPHERE MIXING

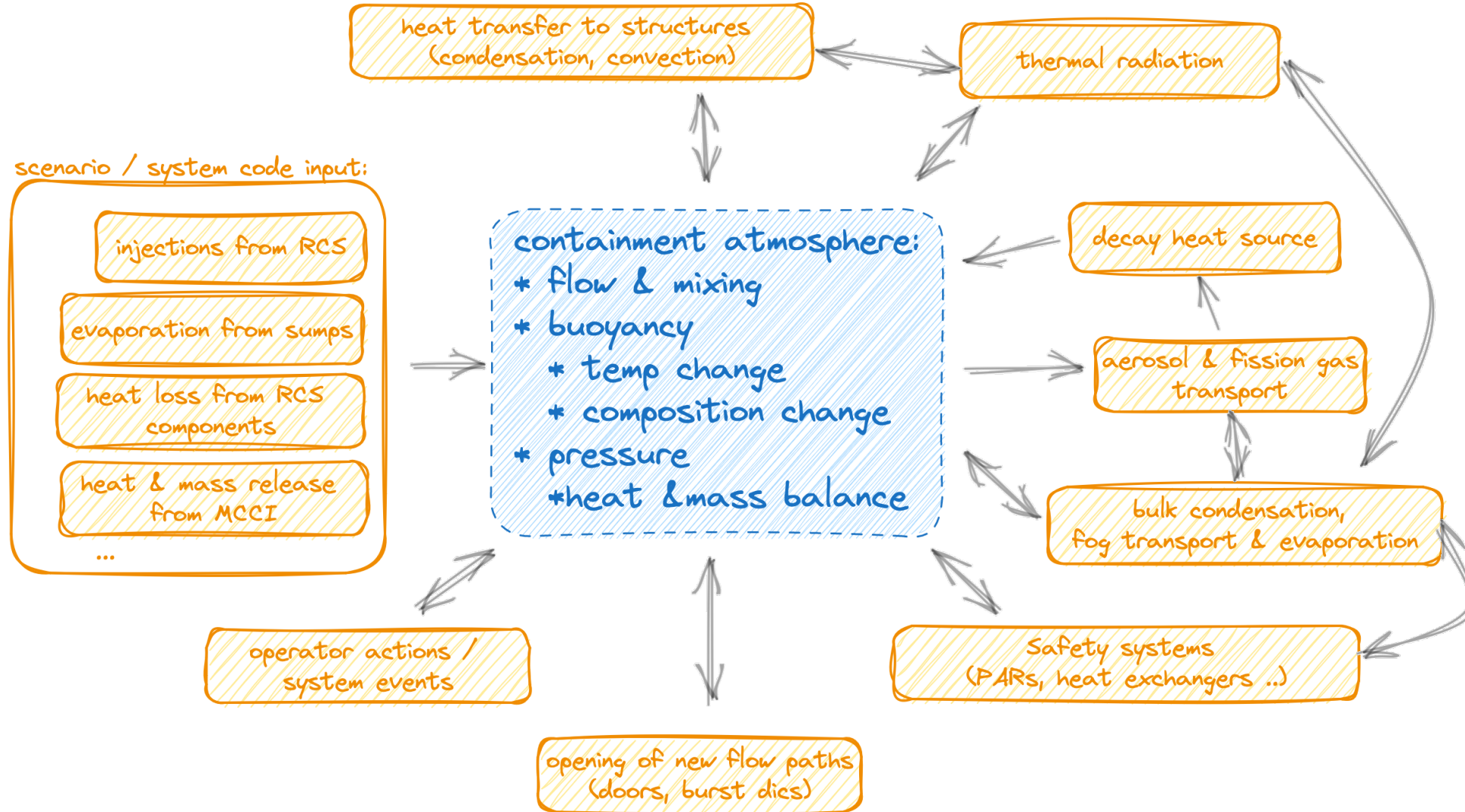
## Pressurization, H<sub>2</sub> Risk and Mitigation, Aerosols

- Geometric Complexity
    - Multi-compartmented volume separated by doors or burst discs
    - Wide range of length and time scales
  - Phenomenological Complexity
    - Broad range of flow regimes (blow-down to primarily buoyancy driven flows and stagnant zones)
    - Multiple interacting physical phenomena and system feedbacks
- A simulation can only be representative if all phenomena and their interactions are considered



# CONTAINMENT ATMOSPHERE MIXING

## Phenomena



# CONTAINMENTFOAM AT A GLANCE

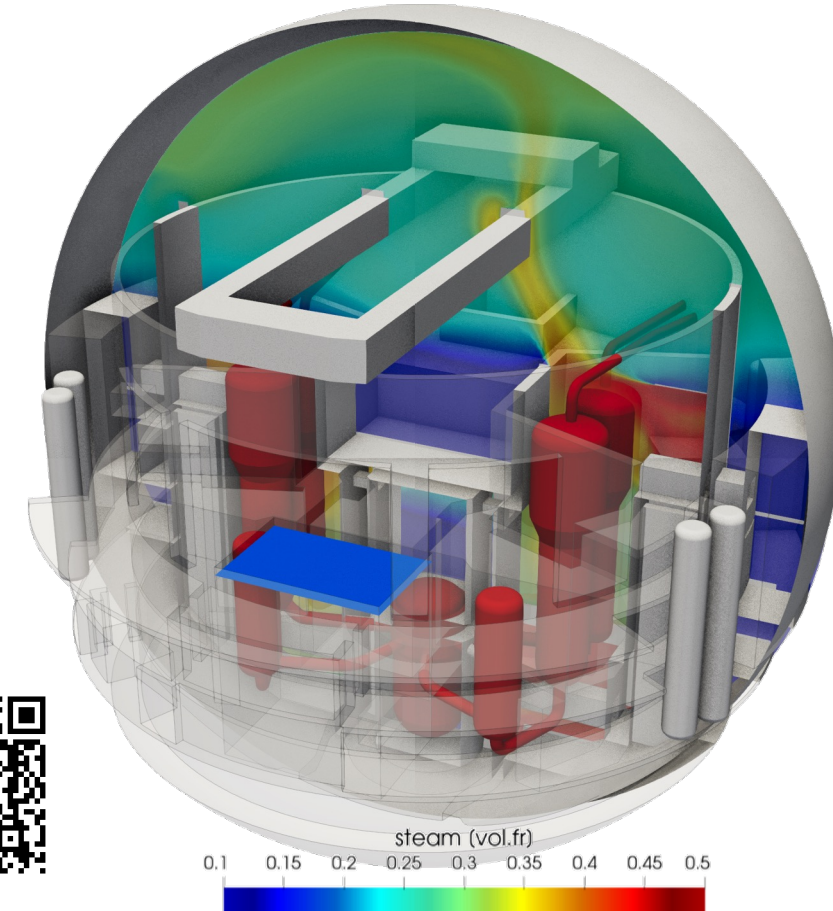
## Modeling Pressurization, Aerosol Transport and H<sub>2</sub>/CO Gas Mixing and Mitigation

### ■ Flows and Transport Phenomena


- **Efficient Multi-Species Solver:** effective binary diffusion, Wilke mixture ✓
- **Turbulence transport:**  $k-\omega$  SST model with buoyancy terms, ✓
- **Conjugate heat transfer** ✓
- **Wall condensation:** single phase diffusion layer model, ✓  
implemented as face fluxes, ✓ dedicated wall treatment ✓
- **Fog formation:** single phase drift flux model ✓ incl. PBM, VOF model ✓
- **Gas radiation:** Emission-based Reciprocity Monte Carlo Method, ✓  
SNBCK and LBL spectral models, ✓
- **Aerosol transport:** single phase drift flux model, incl. decay heat ✓

### ■ Technical Systems and Components

- **PARs:** Code coupling with mechanistic model *REKODIREKT* ✓
- **Burst discs, flaps, doors:** conditional mesh interfaces ✓
- **Heat exchangers unresolved structures:** porous media ✓
- **other systems:** Code coupling with OpenModelica ✓



Steam distribution inside a dry PWR containment, 3D CAD Geometry by L. Serra-Lopez (UPM)

 Kelm, S. et al. "The Tailored CFD Package 'containmentFOAM' for Analysis of Containment Atmosphere Mixing, H<sub>2</sub>/CO Mitigation and Aerosol Transport" *Fluids* (2021) 6, no. 3: 100. <https://doi.org/10.3390/fluids6030100>



# STRUCTURE OF THE CF PACKAGE

### Tailored solvers:

- containmentFluidFoam
- containmentFoam (CHT)
- *containmentInterFoam (in progress)*

### Application-oriented Models:

- Multi-component mixtures
- Turbulence in buoyant flows
- Wall and bulk condensation
- System models (H<sub>2</sub>-Recombiners, Pressure relief flaps, Heat exchang
- Gas radiation transport
- *Aerosol transport (in progress)*

### Framework:

- gitlab, CI/CD
- Documentation
- Best Practices
- cfGUI
- cfSolutionMonitor
- postProcessing
- *UQ&SA(in progress)*

### Verification und Validation:

- Basic verification
- Fundamental validation
- Application-oriented validation

# DESIGN OF CONTAINMENTFOAM

- Not a stand-alone software, but add-on to OpenFOAM (v9)
- New functionality is added via
  - cloned and modified code (minor extensions)
  - separate base/derived classes (e.g., multispecies, condensation)
    - access information from OpenFOAM
    - conducting plausibility checks during instantiation
    - doing the math
    - provide access functions to solvers/models
    - encapsulated for better maintainability

```
FatalErrorInFunction
<< " Illegal boundary condition for " << U.name() << " field boundary = "
<< mesh.boundaryMesh()[patchi].name()
<< " . Select 'condensingWallVelocity' boundary condition"
<< " .Wall condensation error "
<< exit(FatalError);
```

*plausibility check for model use and defined boundary conditions*

```
//- Update fog velocity
condensation->bulkUFogCorrect();

//- Compute sum of uFog and uDrift volumetric flux fields
phiFog = fvc::flux(condensation->bulkUFog()) + fvc::flux(condensation->bulkUDrift(g));

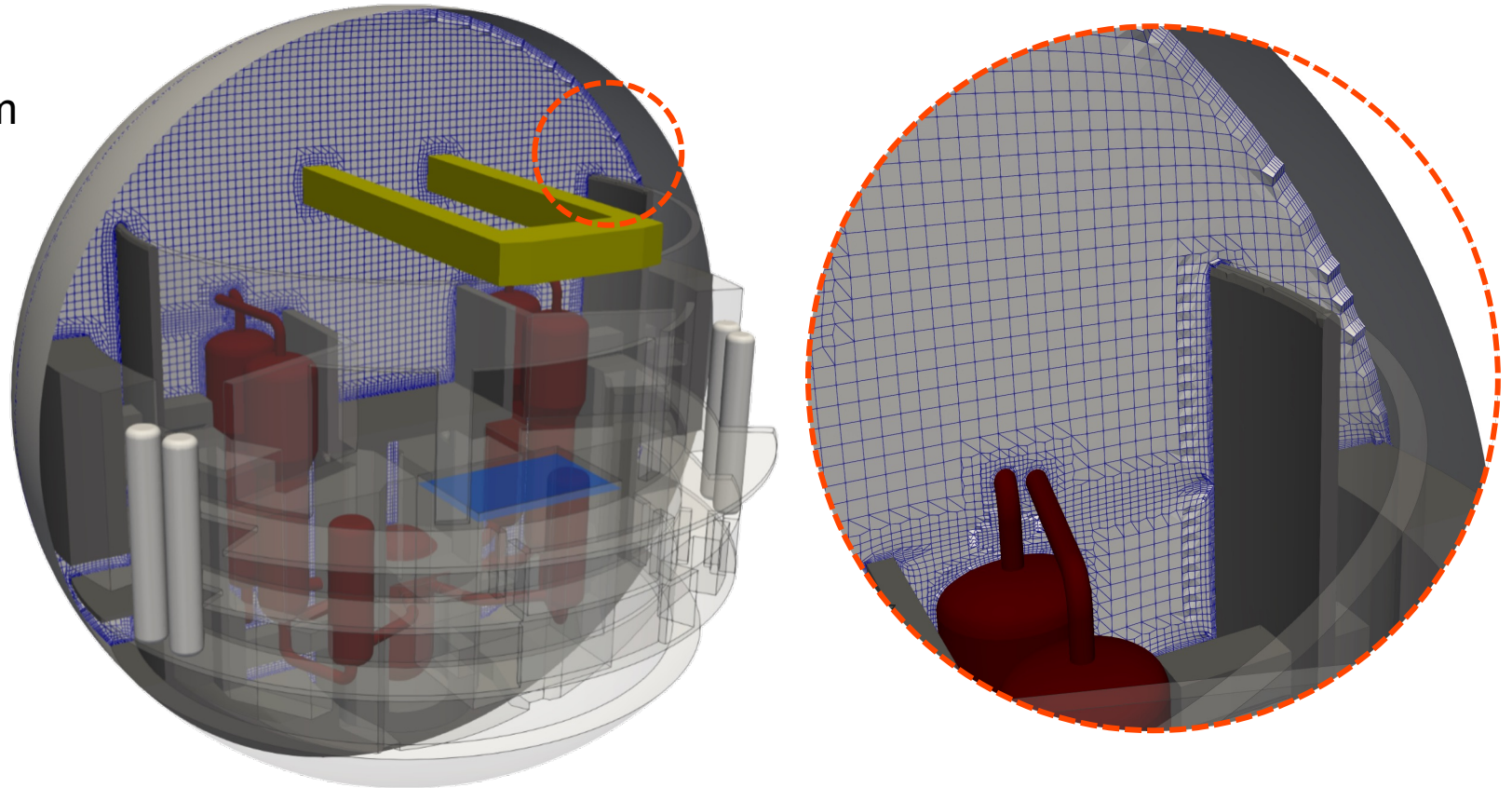
fvScalarMatrix fogEqn
(
    fvm::ddt(fog)
  + fvm::div(phiFog, fog, "div(phi,fog)")
  ==
    fvm::laplacian((massDiffusion->Dt(0) + condensation->bulkDBrownian()), fog)
  + condensation->bulkMassTransferRate()
);
```

*access functions used in the solver. Here fogEqn.H*

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# GEOMETRIC MODELING

- Modeling internal flow and transport processes is tightly linked to modeling (simplification) of the complex bounding geometry! → balance the computational effort
  - here, max edge length 0.5m
  - refinement levels 2 → 0.125m
    - Geometric features of  $L > 0.25\text{m}$  can be resolved
  - High refinement near structures leads to excessive number of boundary layer cells



# CONTAINMENT ATMOSPHERE MIXING

## Balanced Modeling

- The solution accuracy is limited by the simplest model, its efficiency by the most expensive model  
→ balanced level of detail required
- Reduction of modeling complexity:
  - Single phase / mixture model
  - uRANS modeling
    - Wall-bounded flow (wall functions)
    - Buoyancy effects
  - Eulerian treatment of fog (& aerosols)
  - Code coupling / porous media
    - PARs, heat exchangers, pressure suppression systems ..
    - System feedback
    - Unresolved structures (walking grids)

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# MULTI-SPECIES TRANSPORT SOLVER

## Governing Equations (U-RANS form)

### ■ containmentFOAM

- Continuity: 
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U}) = \dot{S}_m''' \quad \rho = \frac{pM}{RT}$$

- Momentum: 
$$\frac{\partial (\rho \vec{U})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} \otimes \vec{U}) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \tau + \rho \vec{g} + \dot{S}_u''' \quad \tau = \rho(\nu + \nu_t) \left[ \nabla \vec{U} + (\nabla \vec{U})^T - \frac{2}{3} \delta \nabla \cdot \vec{U} \right]$$

- Species: 
$$\frac{\partial (\rho Y_i)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} Y_i) = \nabla \cdot \left[ \rho \left( D_{i,m} + \frac{\nu_t}{Sc_t} \right) \nabla Y_i \right] + \dot{S}_y'''$$

- (Fluid) Energy: 
$$\frac{\partial (\rho h_{tot})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} h_{tot}) = \rho \vec{U} \cdot \vec{g} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot \left[ \rho \left( \lambda + \frac{c_p \nu_t}{Pr_t} \right) \nabla T \right]}_{\text{conduction}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \nabla \cdot \left[ \rho h_i \left( \rho D + \frac{\nu_t}{Sc_t} \right) \nabla Y_i \right]}_{\text{multi-component enthalpy diffusion}} + \dot{S}_h'''$$

- (Solid) Energy: 
$$\rho \frac{\partial c T_s}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\lambda_s \nabla T_s)$$

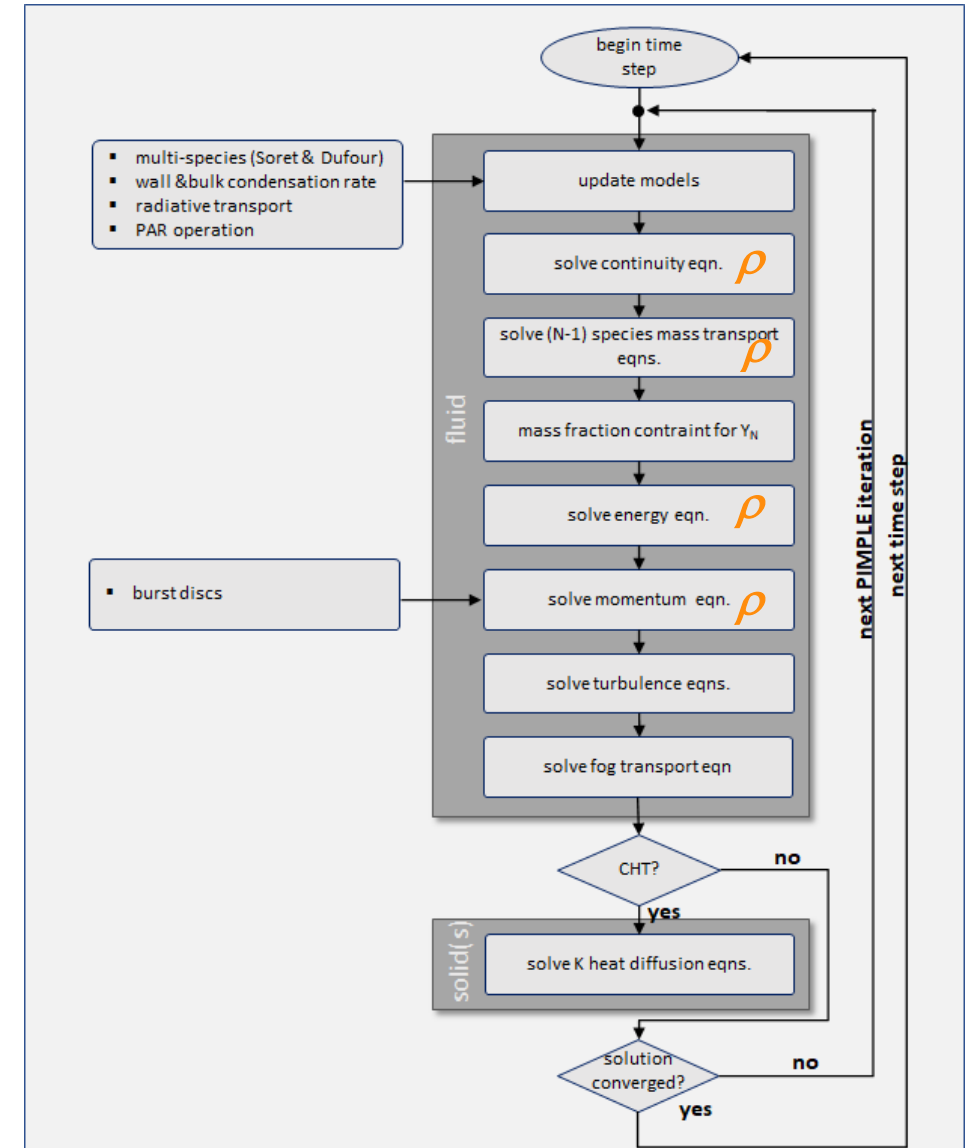
➤ Model implementation via source terms  $\dot{S}_m''' , \dot{S}_u''' , \dot{S}_y''' , \dot{S}_h'''$  and boundary conditions

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# MULTI-SPECIES TRANSPORT SOLVER

## Solver algorithm and integration of models

- We're using PIMPLE to converge on density within the time-step (PISO is not possible)
- Models are mostly integrated explicitly i.e., updated within the PIMPLE loop to ease convergence
- Baseline set of numerical settings for validation cases (high quality mesh, low non-orthogonality)





# TIME STEP MANAGEMENT

## General Concept

- To maintain numerical efficiency and stability of long transient system analysis runs, the time step has to be dynamically adapted due to
  - a to change in the flow pattern (typically indicated by the **CFL number**),
  - the convergence of the simulation (measured by the **number of PIMPLE loops** required for the previous time step) and
  - approaching **system events** (e.g., opening of a burst disc or activation of a safety system) that may lead to sudden changes of the flow → give control to the models.
- To prevent a crash of the simulation or accumulation of errors, a simulated **time step** should be **repeated** with a reduced time step size if convergence is not achieved within a PIMPLE loop.

# TIME STEP MANAGEMENT

## General Concept

- New methods:
  - `hierarchical`: controls first CFL and then number of PIMPLE loops
  - `weighted`: combines both criteria based on weight
- Further controls:
  - `delayAdaptionUntil`: prevent time step reduction due to initialization / convergence issues
  - `repeatTimeStepIf`: enables repetition of timestep with reduced time step size ( $\Delta t/2$ )

### system/controlDict

```
adjustTimeStep      true;

timeStepMethod      hierarchical; // hierarchical, weighted, openFOAM, none

delayAdaptionUntil  0.5;        // ignore initial numerical inaccuracy

maxDeltaT           1.0;

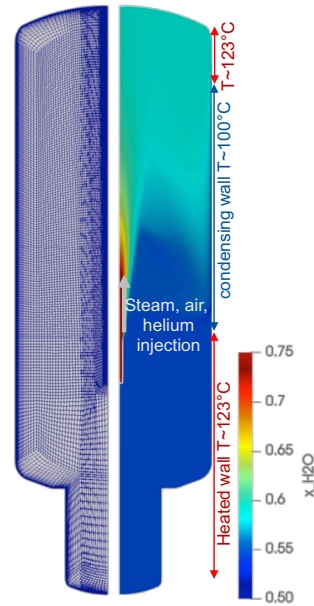
timeStepParameter
{
    CourantNumber
    {
        weight          0.6; // in case of timeStepMethod weighted
        targetValue     5.0;
        repeatTimeStepIf 100; // set large value to avoid time step repetition
    }

    PIMPLE
    {
        weight          0.4; // in case of timeStepMethod weighted
        targetValue     10;
        repeatTimeStepIf 21; // set large value to avoid time step repetition
    }
}
```

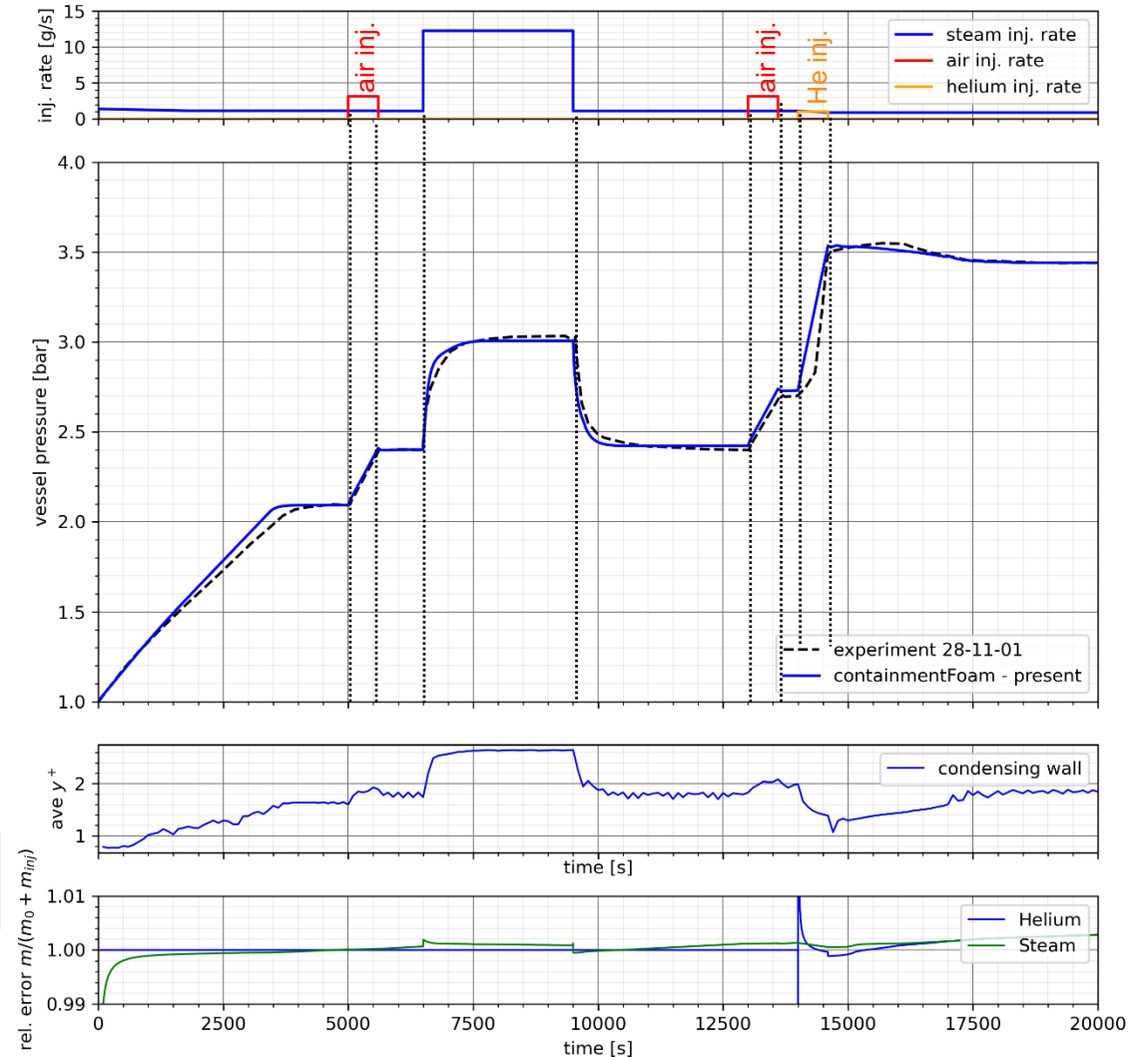
# TIME STEP MANAGEMENT

## Test TOSQAN ISP47

- ISP-47 on containment thermal hydraulics
  - standard regression test for containmentFOAM
  - TOSQAN (7m<sup>3</sup>) tests
    - 📖 Malet et al. Nuclear Engineering and Design 240 (2010) 3209–3220
  - Pressurization sequence
  - Verification: mass balance
  - Validation: vessel pressure



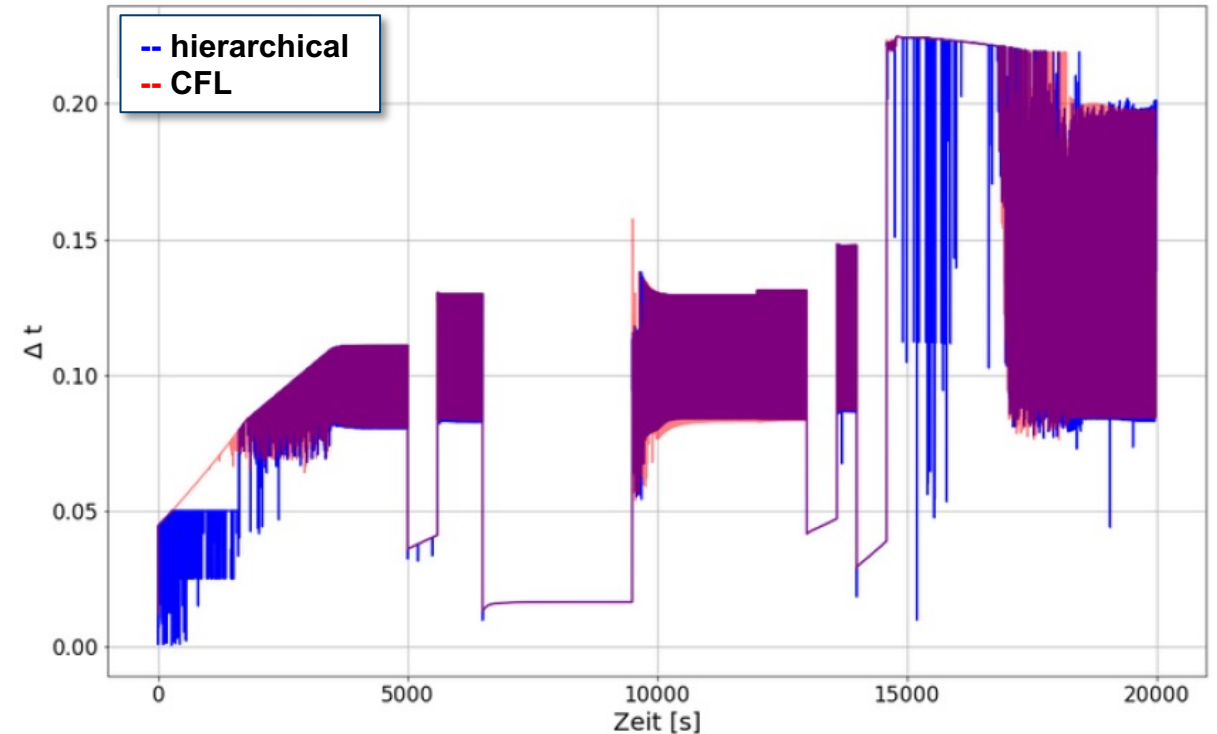
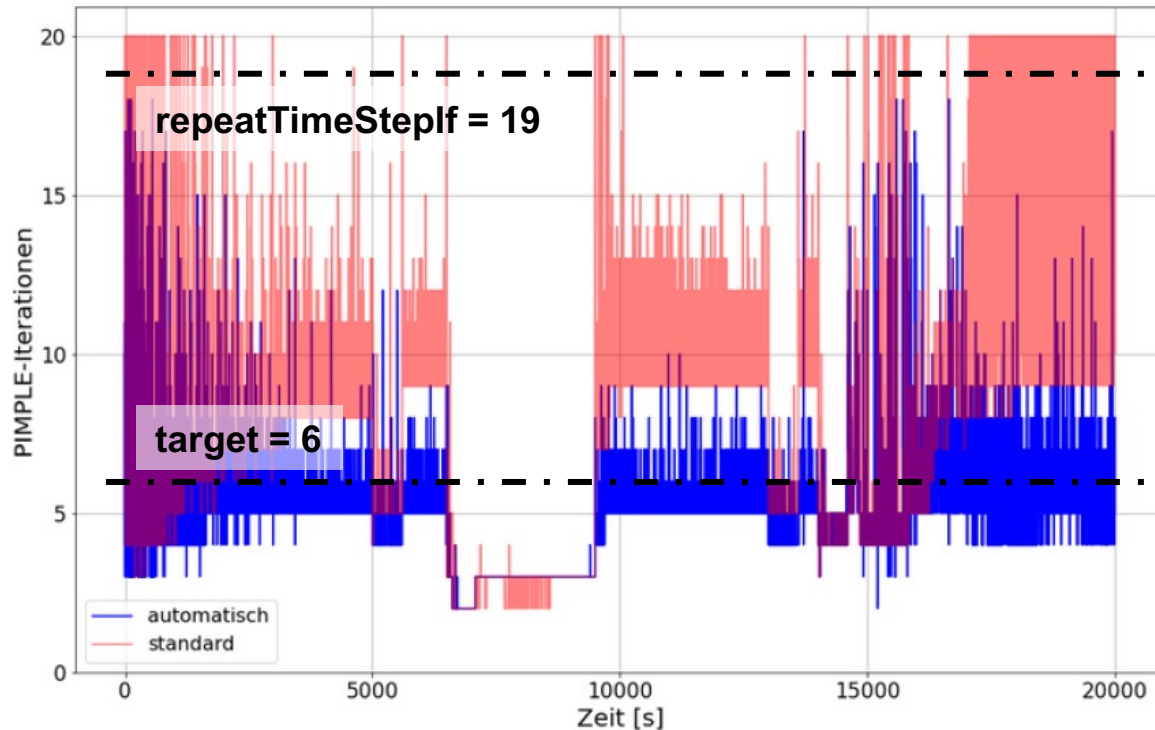
TOSQAN-ISP 47 scenario (l) and pressurization transient (r),



# TIME STEP MANAGEMENT

## Test TOSQAN ISP47

- Comparison of dynamic time step adaption and convergence



- Increased number of time steps from ~370.000 to 380.000
- convergence checks (PIMPLE + repetition) lead to visibly less PIMPLE iterations → run time decreased from 37h to 34h

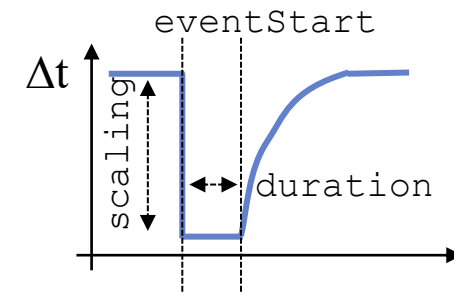
# TIME STEP MANAGEMENT

## System events (e.g., burst discs)

- Sudden events like a burst disc opening may challenge solver convergence and stability
- Approach: user and models can define system events that reduce the time step before their occurrence
- Controls:
  - `editable`: allows models to change entries
  - `eventStart` : expected occurrence  
(user defined or calculated in models)
  - `duration`: period for reducing time step before adaptive time stepping takes over control
  - `scaling`: reduction of time step ( $\Delta t_{\text{new}} = \Delta t / \text{scaling}$ )

### system/systemEvents

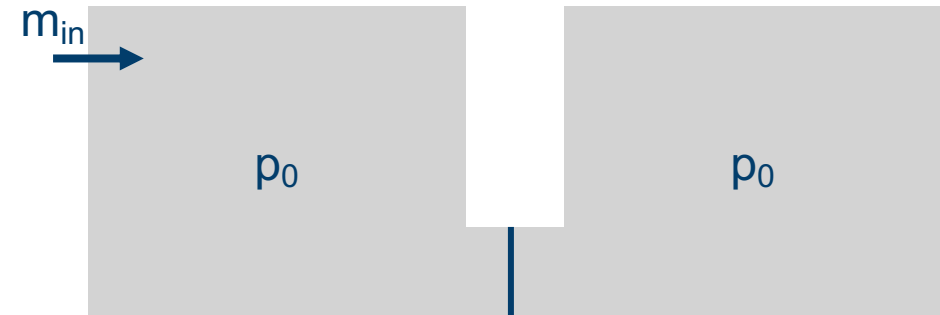
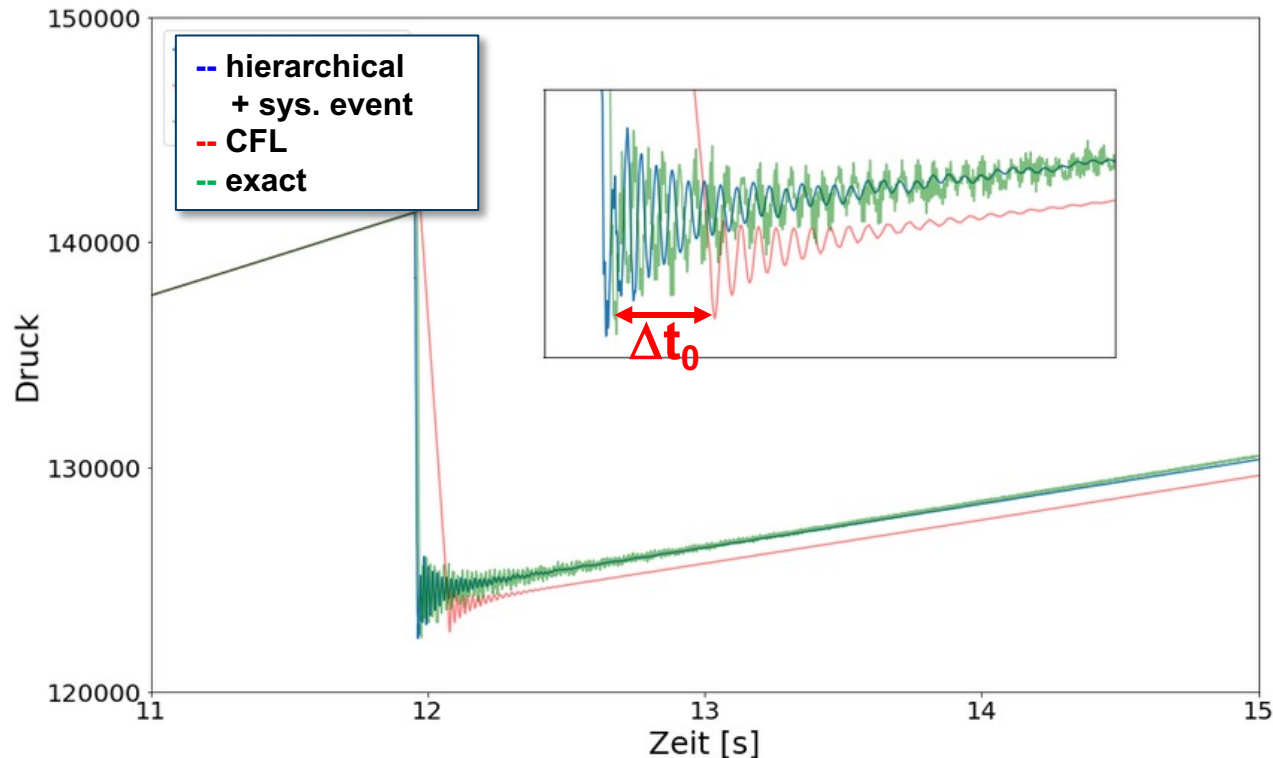
```
events
{
  ExampleEventName
  {
    editable           true;
    eventStart         123.5;
    duration           0.1;
    scaling             100.0;
  }
}
```



# TIME STEP MANAGEMENT

## Test burst disc

### Opening of a burst disc:

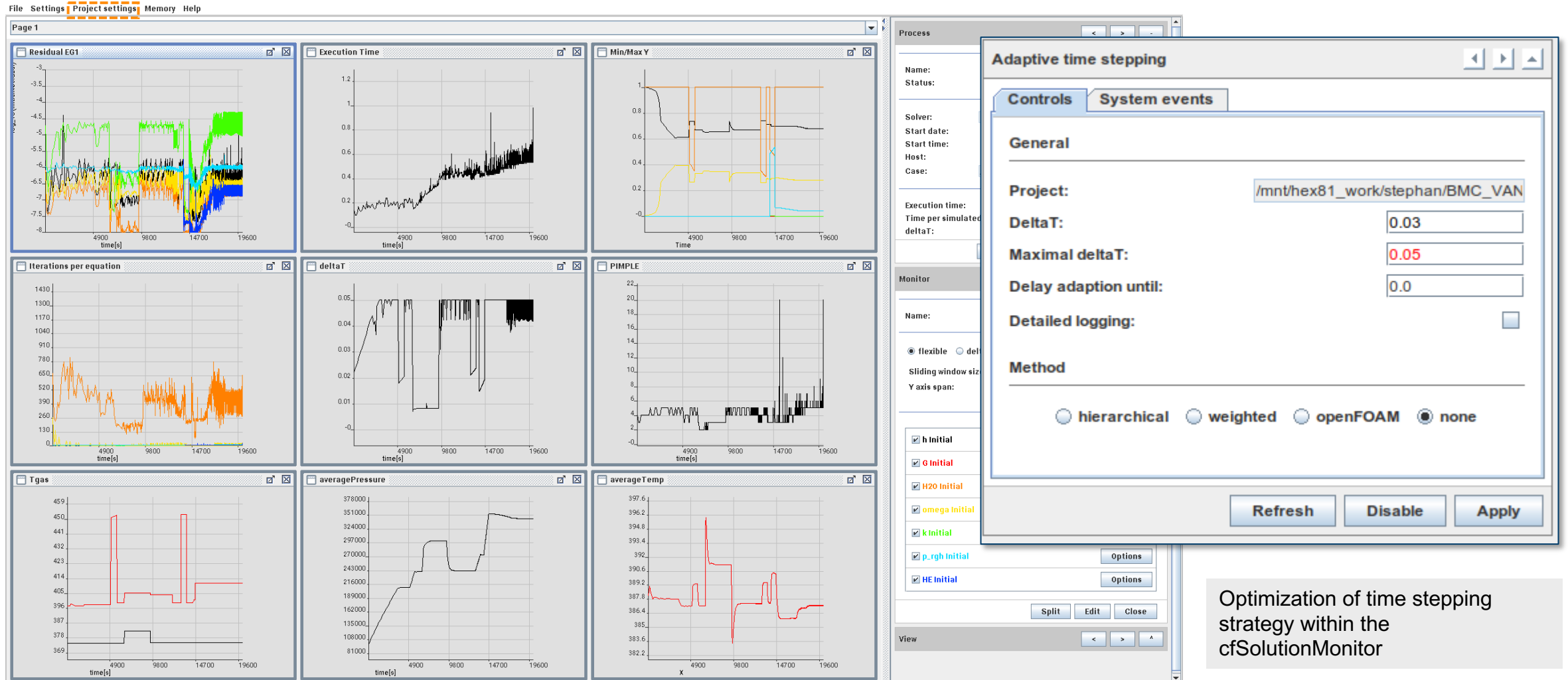


Burst disc test case (r) and pressure history for different time stepping strategies (l)

- Improved stability, max. CFL < 4 rather than 450, but increased computation time (14 min -> 23 min)
- Visibly better time resolution and accuracy

# TIME STEP MANAGEMENT

## Integration in cfSolutionMonitor



The screenshot displays the cfSolutionMonitor software interface. The main window contains a grid of nine monitoring plots:

- Residual EG1:** Shows residuals over time, with values ranging from -8 to -3.
- Execution Time:** Shows the cumulative execution time, increasing from 0 to approximately 1.0 over 19600 seconds.
- Min/Max Y:** Shows the minimum and maximum values of the solution variables over time.
- Iterations per equation:** Shows the number of iterations required for each equation, fluctuating between 0 and 1430.
- deltaT:** Shows the time step size, which is adaptive and fluctuates between 0.01 and 0.05.
- PIMPLE:** Shows the PIMPLE iteration counts, with values ranging from -2 to 22.
- Tgas:** Shows the gas temperature, with values ranging from 369 to 459.
- averagePressure:** Shows the average pressure, increasing from 81000 to 378000.
- averageTemp:** Shows the average temperature, with values ranging from 382.2 to 397.6.

An 'Adaptive time stepping' dialog box is open, showing the following settings:

- Project:** /mnt/hex81\_work/stephan/BMC\_VAN
- DeltaT:** 0.03
- Maximal deltaT:** 0.05
- Delay adaption until:** 0.0
- Detailed logging:**
- Method:**  hierarchical  weighted  openFOAM  none

Buttons for 'Refresh', 'Disable', and 'Apply' are visible at the bottom of the dialog box.

Optimization of time stepping strategy within the cfSolutionMonitor

# BUOYANCY DRIVEN TURBULENT FLOW

## General formulation

- $k$ - $\omega$  Shear Stress Transport (SST) turbulence model (cfKOmegaSST):

- blends between  $k$ - $\omega$  (near wall) and  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  (bulk region) models (insensitive of  $y^+$ )

- Transport of turbulent kinetic energy  $k$ :

$$\frac{\partial(\rho k)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} k) = \nabla \cdot \left[ \rho \left( \nu + \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_k} \right) \nabla k \right] + P_k + P_{k,b} - \beta^* \rho \omega k + S_k$$

- Transport of turbulent eddy frequency  $\omega$ :

$$\frac{\partial(\rho \omega)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} \omega) = \nabla \cdot \left[ \rho \left( \nu + \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_\omega} \right) \nabla \omega \right] + P_\omega + P_{\omega,b} - \beta \rho \omega^2 + 2(1 - F_1)$$

- Eddy viscosity  $\nu_t$ :

$$\nu_t = \frac{a_1 k}{\max(a_1 \omega, SF_2)}$$

- Coefficients:  $\phi = \phi_1 \cdot F_1 + \phi_2 \cdot (F_1 - 1)$

```
// Turbulent kinetic energy equation
tmp<fvScalarMatrix> kEqn
(
    fvm::ddt(alpha, rho, k_)
  + fvm::div(alphaRhoPhi, k_)
  - fvm::laplacian(alpha*rho*DkEff(F1), k_)
  ==
    alpha()*rho()*Pk(G)
  - fvm::SuSp((2.0/3.0)*alpha()*rho()*divU, k_)
  + PkBbyNut_.internalField()*nut()
  - fvm::Sp(alpha()*rho()*epsilonByk(F1, F23), k_)
  + kSource()
  + fvModels.source(alpha, rho, k_)
);
```

containmentFoamLibs/momentumTransport/cfKOmegaSST/cfKOmegaSSTBase.C

<https://turbmodels.larc.nasa.gov/sst.html>



## Buoyancy turbulence production and dissipation

- Buoyancy turbulence production and dissipation:

- Simple Gradient Diffusion Hypothesis (SGDH)

$$P_{k,b} = -\frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_\rho \rho} \nabla \rho \cdot (\nabla p + \rho_\infty \vec{g}) \approx -\frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_\rho} \vec{g} \cdot \nabla \rho$$

- Generalized Gradient Diffusion Hypothesis (GGDH)

$$P_{k,b} = -\frac{3}{2} \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_t \rho k} (\tau_{ij} \cdot \nabla \rho) (\nabla p + \rho_\infty \vec{g})$$
$$\approx -\frac{3}{2} \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_t \rho k} \left( \nu_t \cdot (\nabla \vec{U} - \nabla \vec{U}^T) - \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ik} \right) (\vec{g} \cdot \nabla \rho)$$

- Dissipation term

$$P_{\omega,b} = \nu_t \left[ (\gamma_1 + 1) C_{3e} \cdot \max(P_{k,b}, 0) - P_{k,b} \right]$$
$$C_{3e} = C_3 \cdot \tan\left(\angle(\vec{U}, \vec{g})\right)$$

containmentFoamLibs/momentumTransport/cfKOmegaSST/cfKOmegaSSTBase.C

```
template<class MomentumTransportModel, class BasicMomentumTransportModel>
void
cfKOmegaSST<MomentumTransportModel, BasicMomentumTransportModel>::
updateBuoyancyProduction()
{
    const uniformDimensionedVectorField& g_ =
        this->mesh_.objectRegistry::template
        lookupObject<uniformDimensionedVectorField>("g");

    if (buoyancyModel_ == "SGDH")
    {
        PkBbyNut_ = -1.0*(g_ & fvc::grad(this->rho_))/this->sigmaRho_;
    }

    else if (buoyancyModel_ == "GGDH")
    {
        tmp<volTensorField> tgradU = fvc::grad(this->U_);

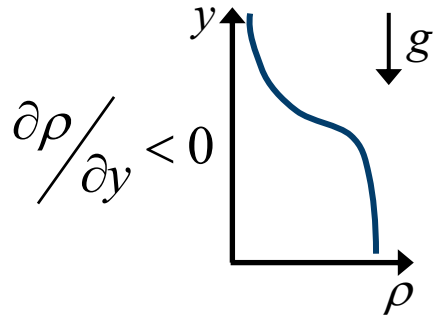
        Info<< "### beta feature GGDH for buoyancy terms active, use with caution ###" << endl;

        PkBbyNut_ = 3.0/(2.0*this->sigmaRho_*max(this->k_,this->kMin_)) *
            (
                g_ &
                (
                    (this->nut_*twoSymm(tgradU)-(2.0/3.0)*this->k_*tensor::I)
                    &
                    fvc::grad(this->rho_)
                )
            );
        tgradU.clear();
    }
}
```

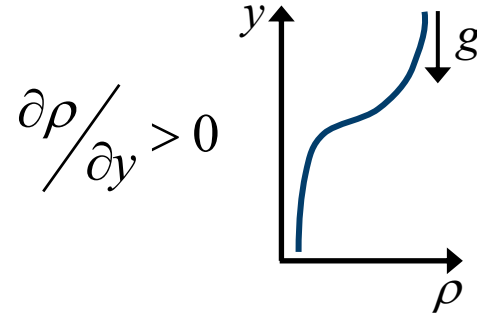
# BUOYANCY DRIVEN TURBULENT FLOW

## Buoyancy turbulence production and dissipation

- Buoyancy forces can suppress or enhance turbulent fluctuations:
  - Stably stratified flow
  - Unstably stratified flow



$$P_{k,b} \sim -\vec{g} \cdot \nabla\rho < 0$$



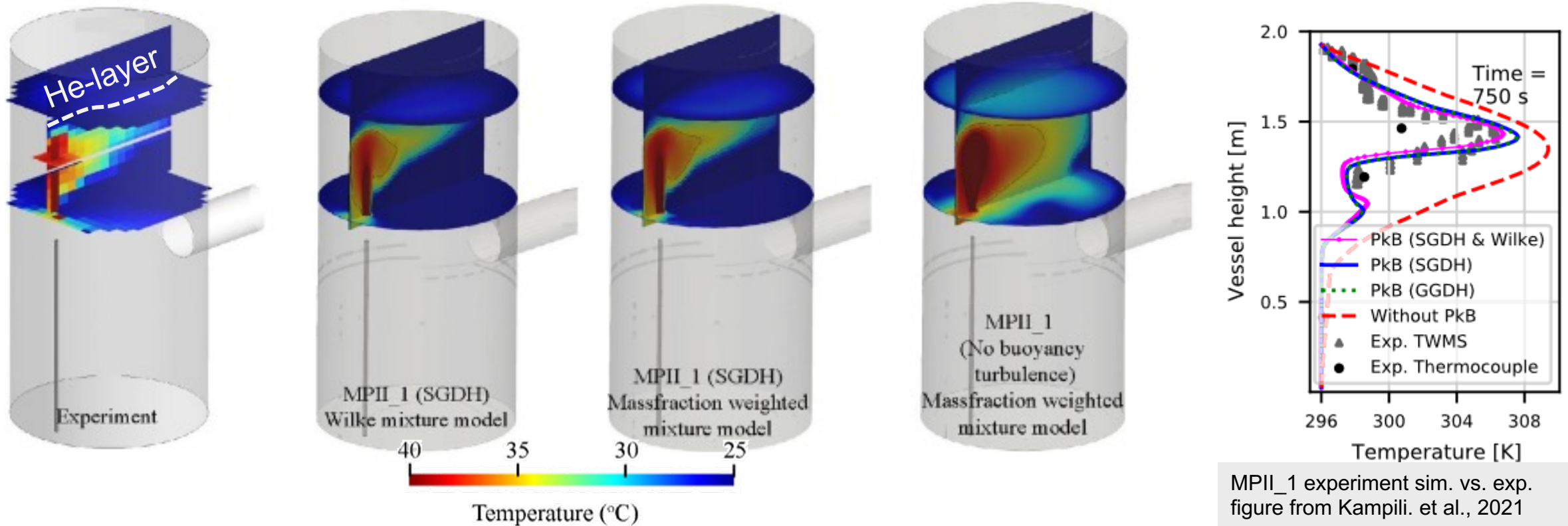
$$P_{k,b} \sim -\vec{g} \cdot \nabla\rho > 0$$

➤ In mixed and free convection flows,  $P_{k,b}$  can be in the order of  $P_k$  and must not be neglected !

# BUOYANCY DRIVEN TURBULENT FLOW

## Validation - MiniPanda

- MiniPanda MPII\_1 experiment: Mixing of a stably stratified Helium layer by a vertical jet (here  $t=750s$ )



➤ Visible effects of buoyancy terms, but less for material properties and model formulation

M. Kampili. et al., "CFD simulations of stratified layer erosion in MiniPanda facility using the tailored CFD solver containmentFOAM", IJHMT 178 (2021) 121568


# WALL CONDENSATION

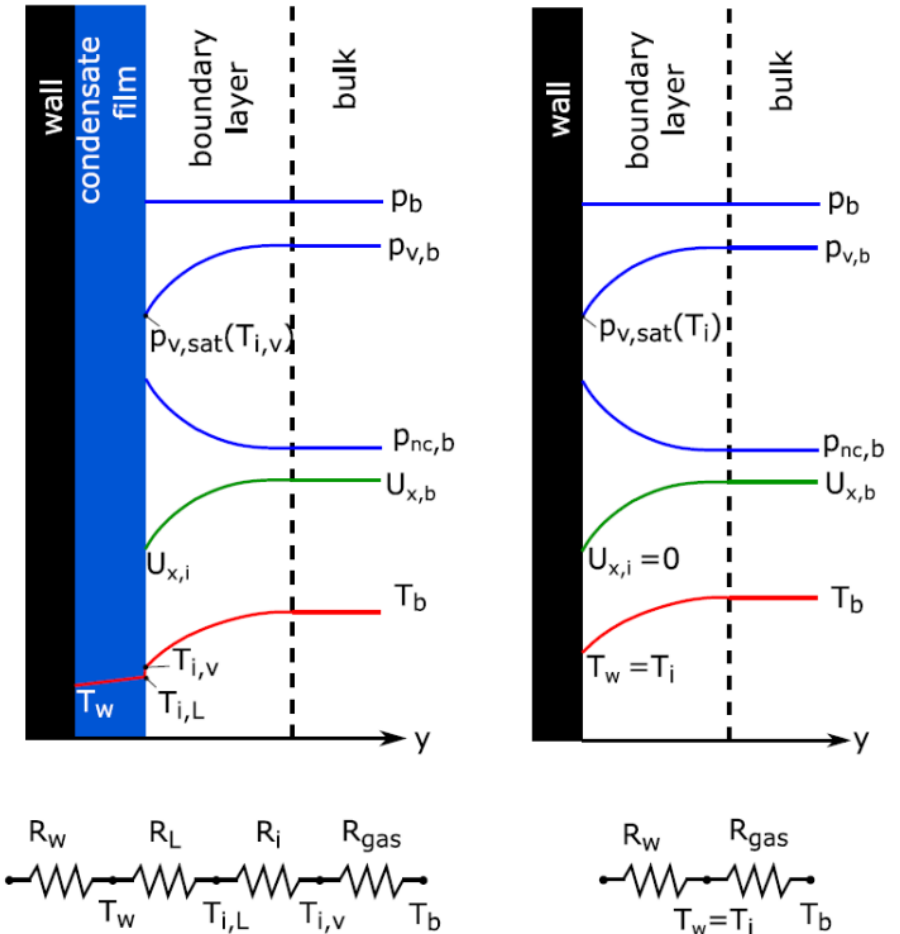
## Model

- Wall condensation – modeling assumptions:
  - Impermeable condensation interface (Stefan’s approach)
  - Arbitrary multi-component mixtures
  - No interfacial thermal resistance  $T_{i,V} = T_{i,L}$
  - Thin and stagnant film,  $T_i = T_w$ ,  $U_{\parallel,i} = 0$  m/s
  
- The liquid phase can be omitted and the condensation rate is determined by the mass transport in the boundary layer

$$\dot{m}''_{i,v} = \frac{1}{1 - Y_{v,i}} \rho (D_{v,m} + D_t) \left. \frac{\partial Y_v}{\partial y} \right|_w$$

- Challenge: Modeling the resistance of the boundary layer  $D_t$

 Vijaya Kumar G. et al., “Implementation of a CFD model for wall condensation in the presence of non-condensable gas mixtures,” Applied Thermal Engineering, 116546, 2021

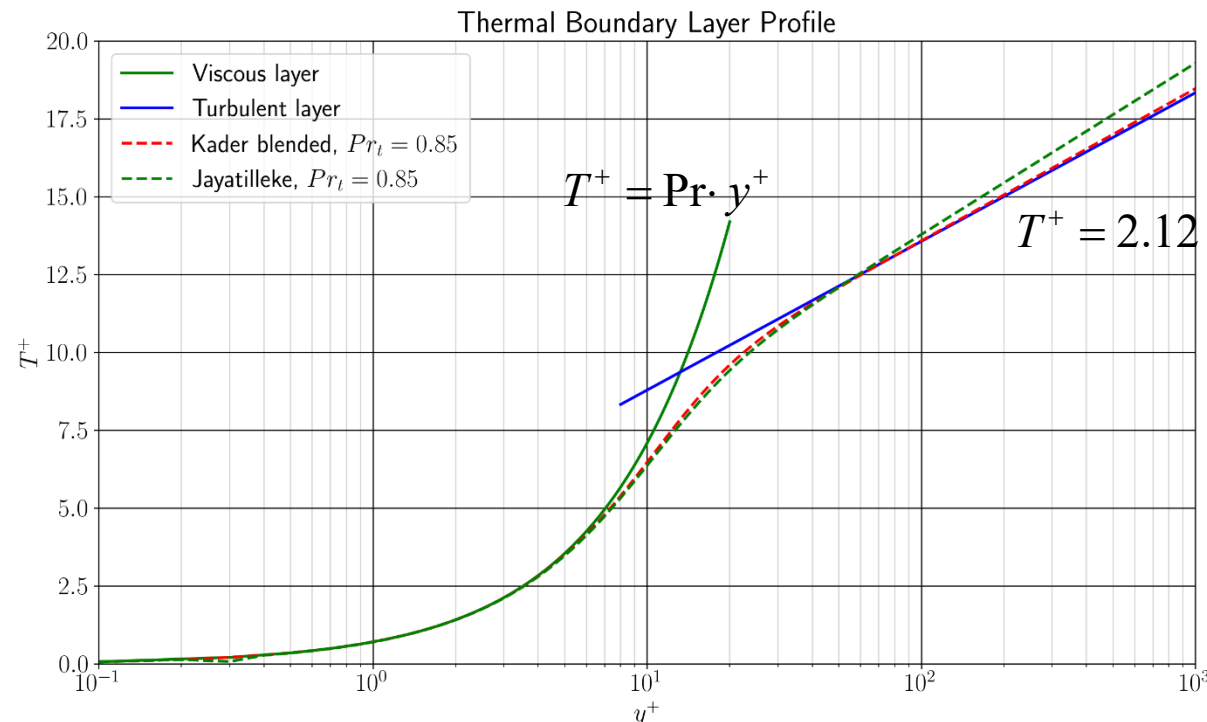
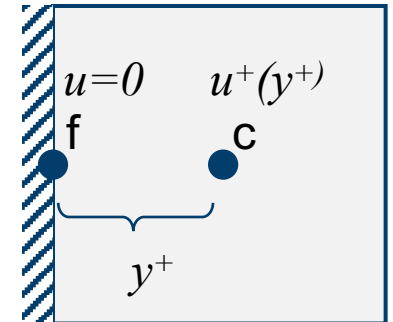


Physics vs. modeling of wall condensation, figure from Vijaya Kumar G. et al., 2021

# WALL CONDENSATION

## Wall function concept

- Idea: Link known face values (Dirichlet BC) to cell values for an arbitrary boundary mesh resolution
  - use predefined scalable variable profiles, e.g.,  $u^+(y^+)$ ,  $T^+(y^+)$ ,  $Y_s^+(y^+)$ , ..
  - to evaluate the turbulent diffusivity ( $\nu_t$ ,  $\alpha_t$ ,  $D_{t,i}$  ..) in the near wall cell and yield an ideally mesh independent boundary flux



$$y^+ = \frac{u_{scale} y}{\nu}$$

$$u_{scale} : u_\tau = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_w}{\rho}} \quad \text{or} \quad u^* = C_\mu^{0.25} \sqrt{k}$$

# WALL CONDENSATION

## Wall treatment in containmentFOAM

- Definition of a baseline set of continuous wall functions:

equation	layer-wise formulation	blended non-equilibrium factor
Momentum (streamwise)	sub-layer: $u_i^+ = y^+$ log-layer: $u_t^+ = \frac{1}{0.41} \ln y^+ + 5.2$	$u^+ = \sqrt[4]{\left(\frac{1}{u_i^{+4}} + \frac{1}{u_t^{+4}}\right)^{-1}}$
Energy (Kader, 1981)	sub-layer: $T_i^+ = \text{Pr} \cdot y^+$ log-layer: $T_t^+ = 2.12 \ln y^+ + \beta(\text{Pr})$ $\beta(\text{Pr}) = (3.85 \text{Pr}^{1/2} - 1.3)^2 + 2.12 \ln(\text{Pr})$	$T^+ = \sqrt[4]{\left(\frac{1}{T_i^{+4}} + \frac{1}{T_t^{+4}}\right)^{-1}}$
Steam mass fraction (Kader, 1981)	sub-layer: $Y_{S,i}^+ = \text{Sc} \cdot y^+$ log-layer: $Y_{S,t}^+ = 2.12 \ln y^+ + \beta(\text{Sc})$ $\beta(\text{Sc}) = (3.85 \text{Sc}^{1/2} - 1.3)^2 + 2.12 \ln(\text{Sc})$	$Y_S^+ = \sqrt[4]{\left(\frac{1}{Y_{S,i}^{+4}} + \frac{1}{Y_{S,t}^{+4}}\right)^{-1}}$
Turbulence (Menter, 2003) Turbulence-eddy frequency	sub-layer: $\omega_l = \frac{6 \cdot \nu}{\beta(\Delta y)^2}$ log-layer: $\omega_t = \frac{u_\tau^2}{a_1 \kappa \nu y^+}$	$\omega = \omega_l \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega_l}{\omega_s}\right)^2}$
Turbulence kinetic energy	$\frac{\partial k}{\partial y} = 0$	

`(nutUSpaldingFOWallFunction)`

`(alphatKaderWallFunction)`

`(DtKaderWallFunction)`

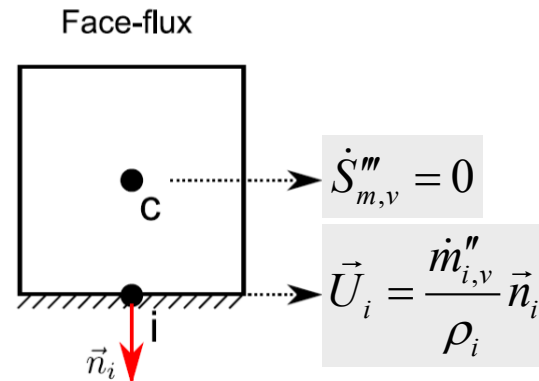
`(omegaMenterWallFunction)`

`(zeroGradient)`

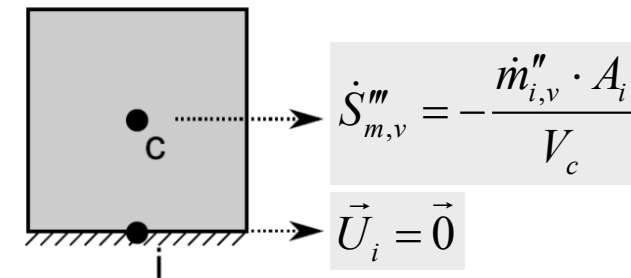
# WALL CONDENSATION

## Model implementation

### Model implementation:



Volumetric source terms



- preferred option, less grid sensitive
- quantities ( $h, k, \omega \dots$ ) associated with condensate are implicitly removed by face flux
- Boundary conditions:
  - $Y_{i,v} = p_{sat}(T_i), Y_{nc,i} = f(D_{eff}, U_{i,\perp})$

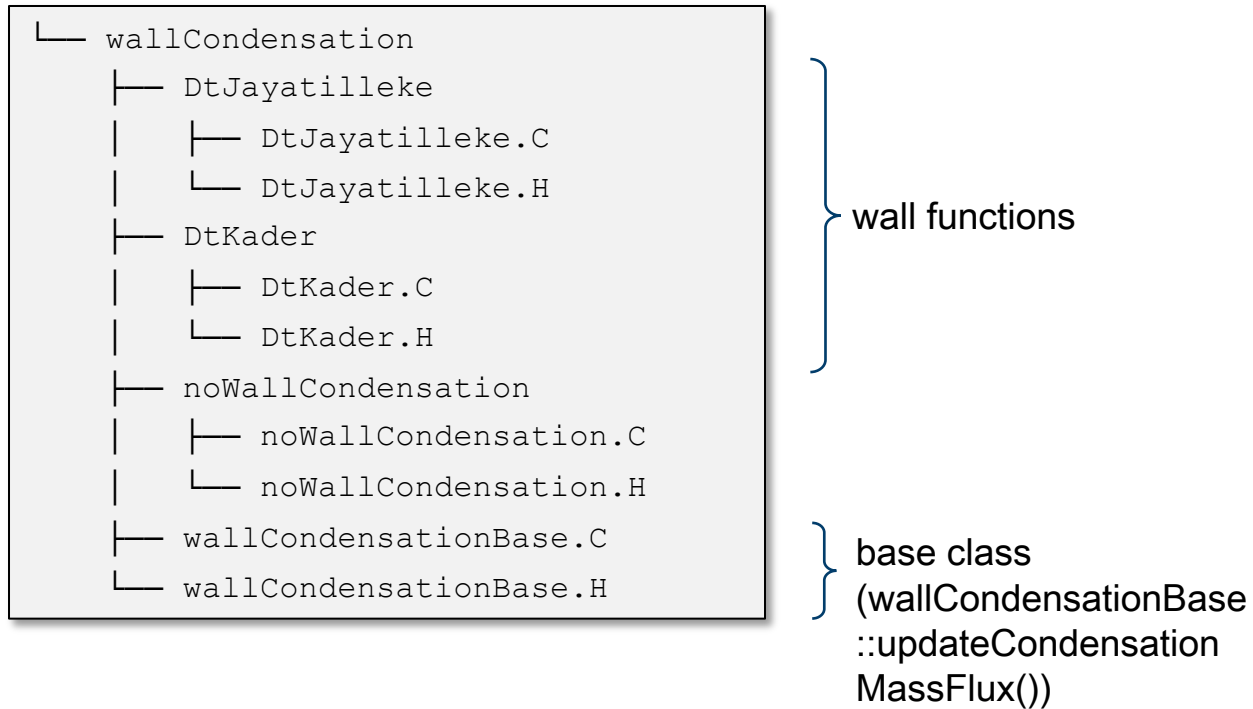
- $D_v, \alpha_t$ : Kaders' wall function
- $v_t$ : Spalding wall function
- $T$ : latent heat flux added to wall heat balance (CHT, Robin, von Neumann) or omitted (Dirichlet)

- direct approach in most commercial codes
- often requires separate sink terms for associated quantities
- Boundary conditions:
  - $Y_{nc,i} = p_{sat}(T_i), \frac{\partial Y_{nc,i}}{\partial y} = 0$

# WALL CONDENSATION

## Implementation

- containmentFoamLibs/condensation/





# WALL CONDENSATION

## How to use it ?

- 0/boundaryFields

Variable	Boundary Condition	Options
T	fixedValue	HTC, CHT
U	condensingWallVelocity	
alphat	alphatKaderWallFunction	
k	zeroGradient	
nut	nutUSpaldingFOWallFunction	
omega	omegaMenterWallFunction	
p_rgh	fixedFluxPressure	
p	calculated	
H2O	saturatedSteam	
inertSpecie	calculated	
nonCondensables	nonCondensableMassFraction	speciesName

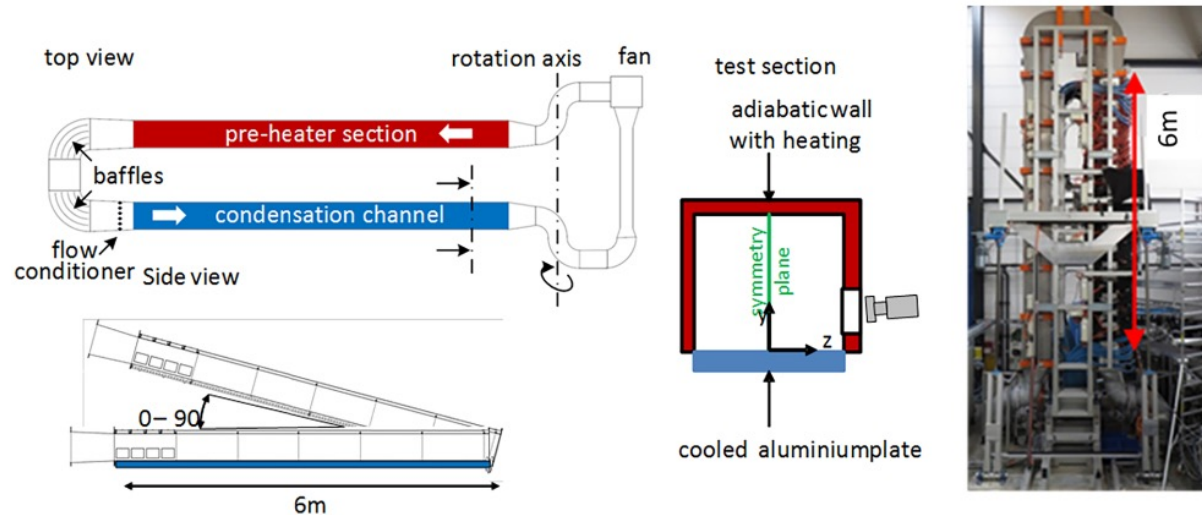
- constant/condensationProperties

velocityScale	blendedUStar;	← blendedUStar (default); optional uTau, uStar
DtWallFunction	DtKader;	← DtKader (default), DtJayatilleke
Sc <sub>t</sub> _wall	0.7;	← Sc <sub>t</sub> in the near wall cell

# WALL CONDENSATION

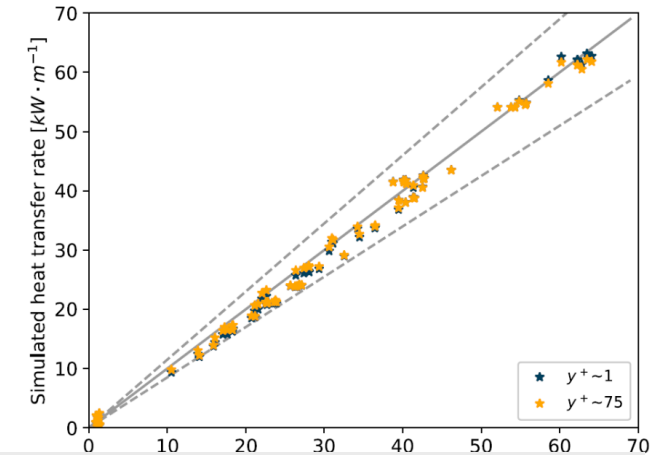
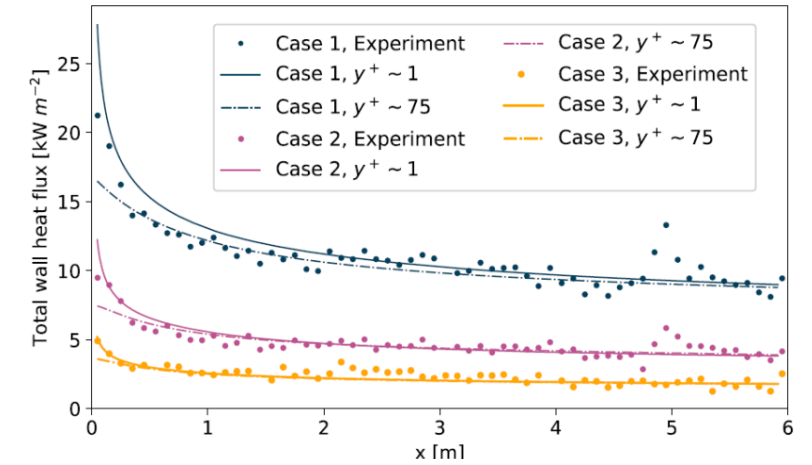
## Validation - SETCOM

- Model V&V:
  - Separate Effect Test for Condensation Modeling (SETCOM)



S. Kelm et al., "Development of a multi-dimensional wall-function approach for wall condensation," Nuclear Engineering and Design, 353 (110239), 2019

- Reasonable prediction of condensation rate for low-Re meshes possible
- If wall functions are used, the error increases with deviation from their underlying modeling assumptions (no buoyancy, pressure gradients or suction..)



Forced convection condensation heat transfer, figure from Vijaya Kumar G. et al., 2021

# WALL CONDENSATION

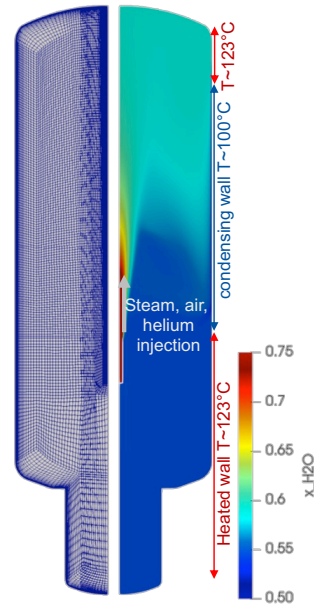
## Validatio – ISP47 TOSQAN

### ■ Model V&V:

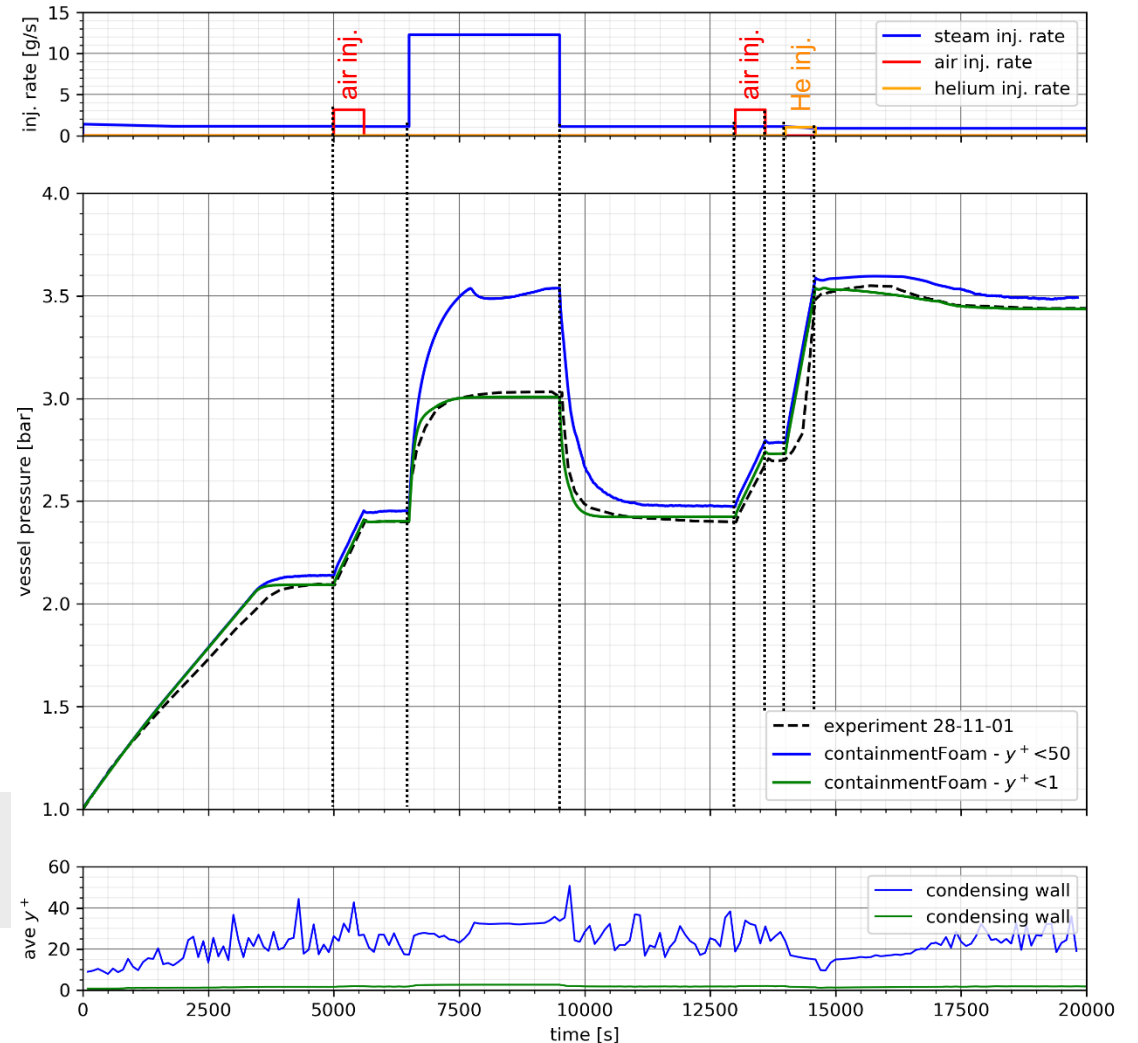
- ISP-47 on containment thermal hydraulics
- TOSQAN (7m<sup>3</sup>) tests

📖 Malet et al. Nuclear Engineering and Design 240 (2010) 3209–3220

- Reasonable prediction of transient pressure evolution possible, but
- standard wall functions tend to under predict the condensation rate (→ higher pressure)



TOSQAN-ISP 47 scenario (l) and pressurization transient (r), own figure

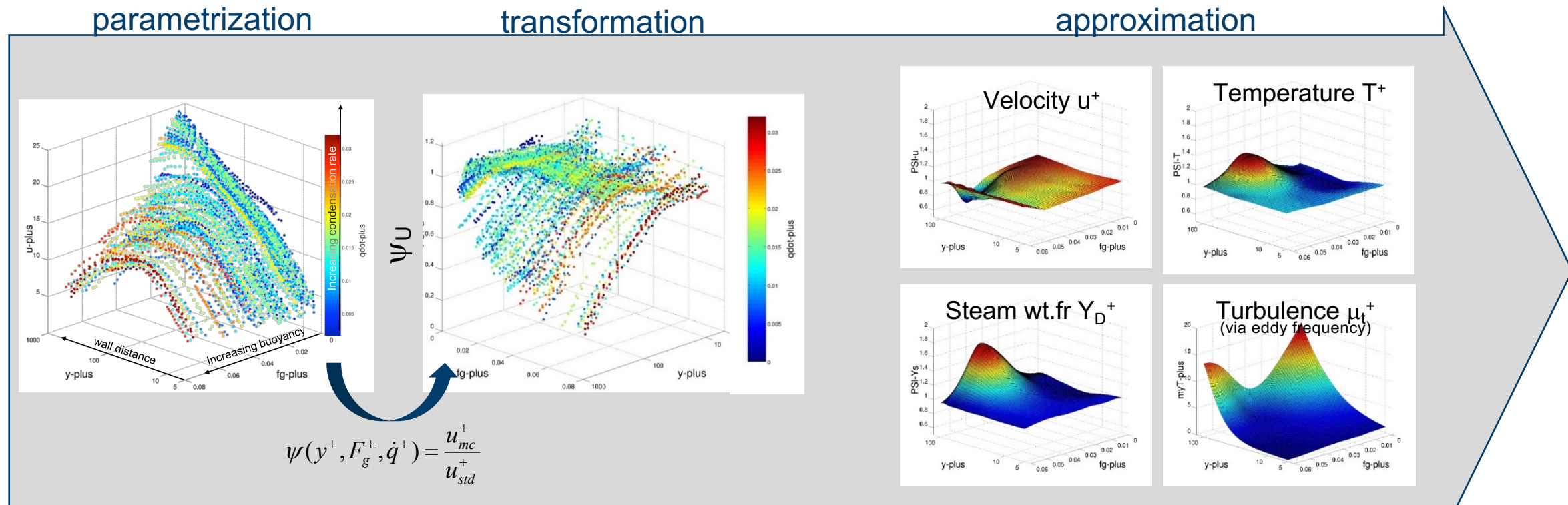


# WALL CONDENSATION

## WIP – Improved wall treatment

WIP

- Wall functions – Mixed Convection (work-in-progress)
  - Data-driven approach



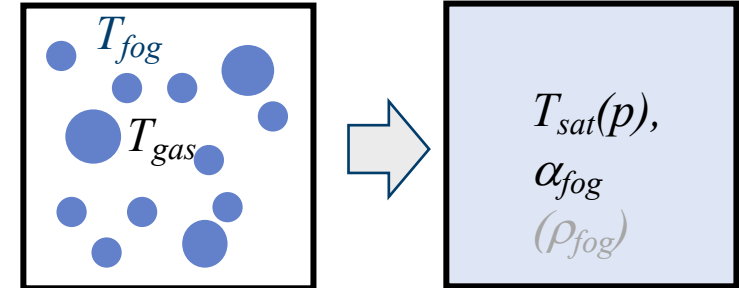
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# BULK CONDENSATION AND FOG TRANSPORT

## Model

### ■ Bulk condensation – modeling assumptions:

- Thermal equilibrium ( $T_{fog} = T_{gas}$ )
- Infinitesimally fast nucleation processes
- Constant fog droplet diameter



### ➤ Bulk condensation rate is obtained from 'return to saturation in constant time scale'

📖 L. Vyskocil. et al., "CFD simulation of air–steam flow with condensation", Nuclear Engineering and Design 279 (2014)

$$\dot{S}_{fog,m}^m = \frac{\dot{S}_{fog,e}^m}{h_{lat}}$$

$$\dot{S}_{fog,e}^m = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \begin{cases} \min \left[ \rho c_p (T_{sat}(p_{steam}) - T), \rho Y_{steam} h_{lat} \right] & \text{if condensing: } T_{sat}(p_v) > T \\ \max \left[ \rho c_p (T_{sat}(p_{steam}) - T), -\rho_{fog} h_{lat} \right] & \text{if evaporating: } T_{sat}(p_v) < T \end{cases}$$

### ➤ Fog transport is considered using a passive scalar drift flux approach in an Eulerian framework

📖 E.M.A. Frederix et al., "Eulerian modeling of inertial and diffusional aerosol deposition in bent pipes", Computers and Fluids 159 (2017), pp 217 – 231

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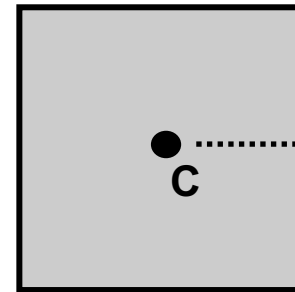
## Model

- Model implementation:

- Drift flux transport equation ( $\alpha_{fog}$ : fog volume fraction)

$$\frac{\partial(\alpha_{fog})}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot [\alpha_{fog} (\vec{U} + \vec{U}_{drift})]}_{\text{convection \& drift due to forces}} = \nabla \cdot \left[ \underbrace{\left( D_{Brownian} + \frac{v_t}{Sc_t} \right) \nabla \alpha_{fog}}_{\text{Brownian \& turbulent diffusion}} \right] - \underbrace{\frac{\dot{S}_{fog,m}'''}{\rho_{fog}}}_{\text{condensation \& evaporation}}$$

volumetric source terms



$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S}_{fog,m}''' & \\ \dot{S}_{v,m}''' &= -\dot{S}_{fog,m}''' \\ \dot{S}_{fog,h}''' &= \dot{S}_{fog,e}''' - \dot{S}_{fog,m}''' c_{p,v} T \\ \dot{S}_{fog,U}''' &= -\dot{S}_{fog,m}''' \vec{U} \\ \dot{S}_{fog,k}''' &= -\dot{S}_{fog,m}''' k \\ \dot{S}_{fog,\omega}''' &= -\dot{S}_{fog,m}''' \omega \end{aligned}$$

- Drift: Stokes and simplified Manninen model

$$\frac{\partial(\vec{U}_{drift})}{\partial t} + (\vec{U}_{drift} \cdot \nabla) \cdot \vec{U}_{drift} = -\frac{(\vec{U}_{drift} - \vec{U})}{\tau_{fog}} + \frac{(\rho_{fog} - \rho_{gas})}{\rho_{fog}} \vec{g}; \quad \tau_{fog} = \frac{\rho_{fog} d_{fog}^2}{18\mu}$$

- Brownian Diffusion (Stokes-Einstein model)

$$D_{Brownian} = \frac{k_B C_c T}{3\pi\mu d_{fog}}$$

➤ Droplet diameter impacts settling

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## Size distribution

### Population Balance Modeling

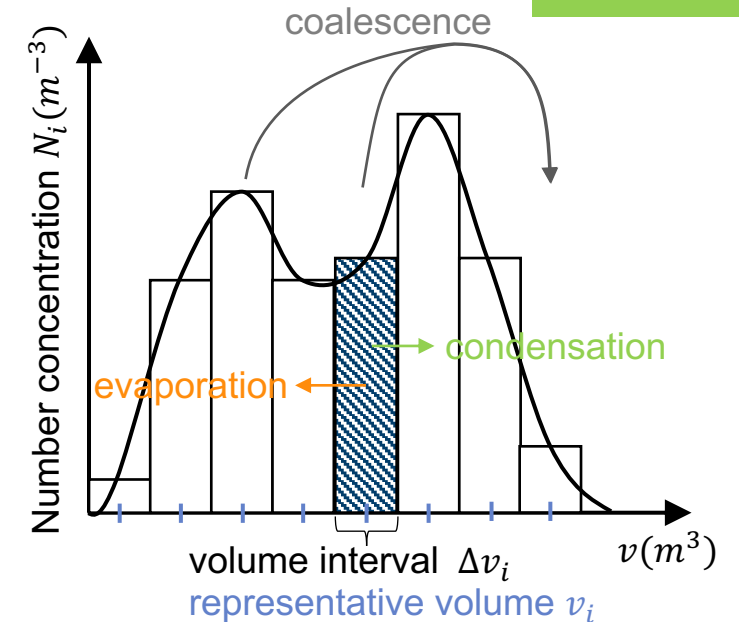
- Fog size distribution is discretized in  $i$  volume intervals ( $\Delta v_i$ ) ( $i$  typically  $< 10$ )

- Drift flux transport equation for interval  $i$  volume fraction ( $\alpha_i = N_i v_i$ )

$$\frac{\partial(\alpha_i)}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot [\alpha_i (\vec{U} + \vec{U}_{drift,i})]}_{\text{convection \& drift (e.g. settling)}} = \nabla \cdot \left[ \underbrace{\left( D_{Brownian,i} + \frac{v_i}{Sc_t} \right) \nabla \alpha_i}_{\text{Brownian \& turbulent diffusion}} \right] - \underbrace{\frac{\dot{S}_i'''}{\rho_{fog}}}_{\text{condensation into \& evaporation from group } i, \text{ as well as coalescence}}$$

- Size change due to

- condensation / evaporation
- coalescence (breakup no considered)



Population Balance modeling,  
figure by openfoam.org

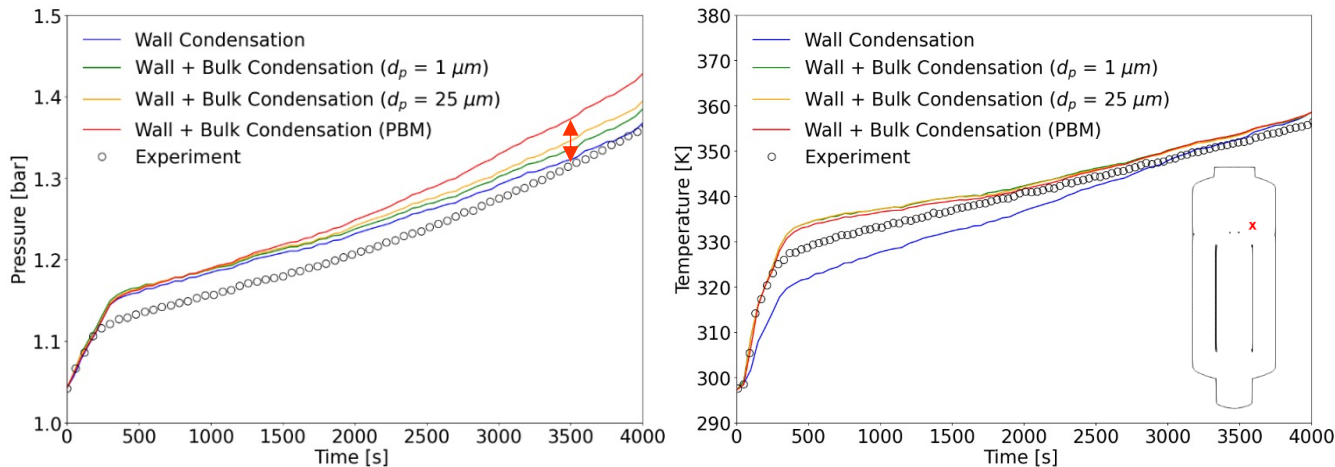
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# BULK CONDENSATION AND FOG TRANSPORT

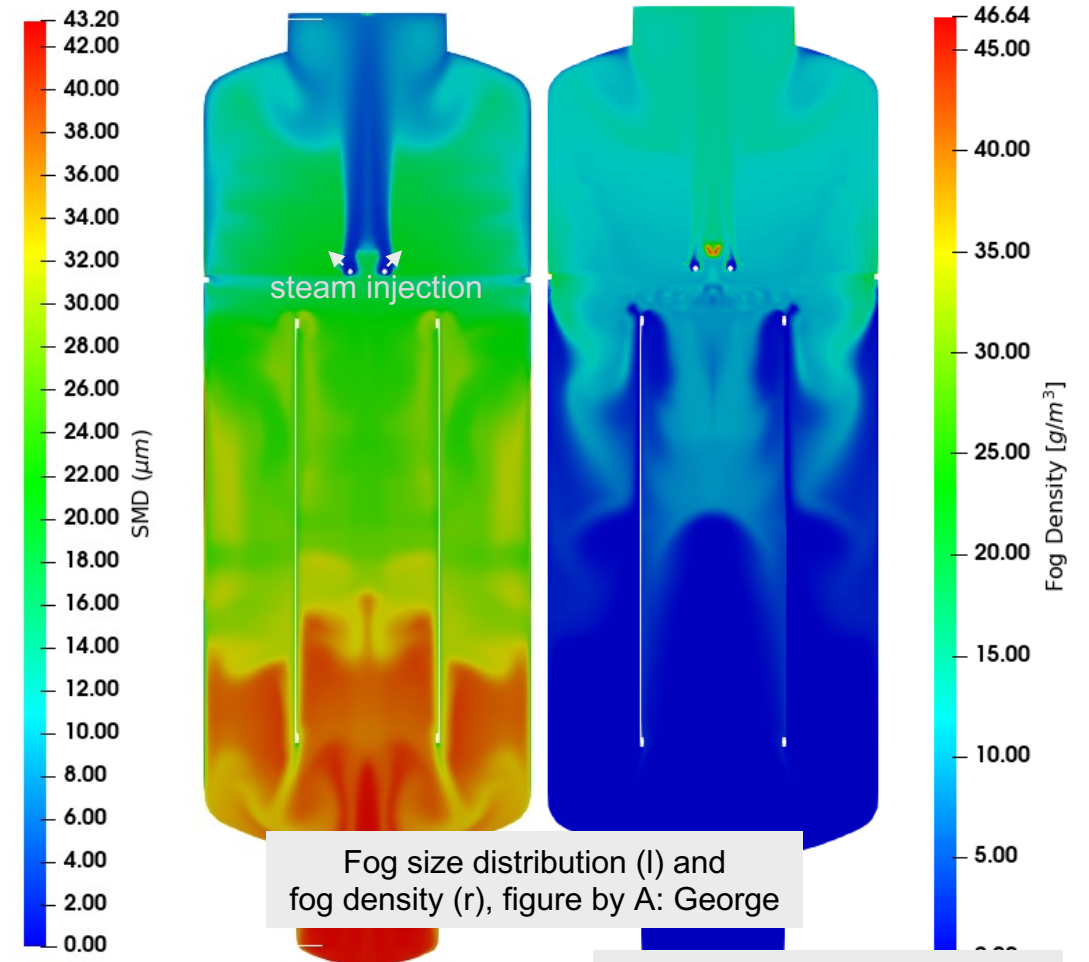
## Validation

- THAI-TH2 Experiment: Steam injection into cold THAI facility:



Effect of fog formation on pressure (l) and gas temperature (r), figure by A. George

- Major relevance of bulk condensation is not given by water/steam balance itself, but by its interactions



Fog size distribution (l) and fog density (r), figure by A. George

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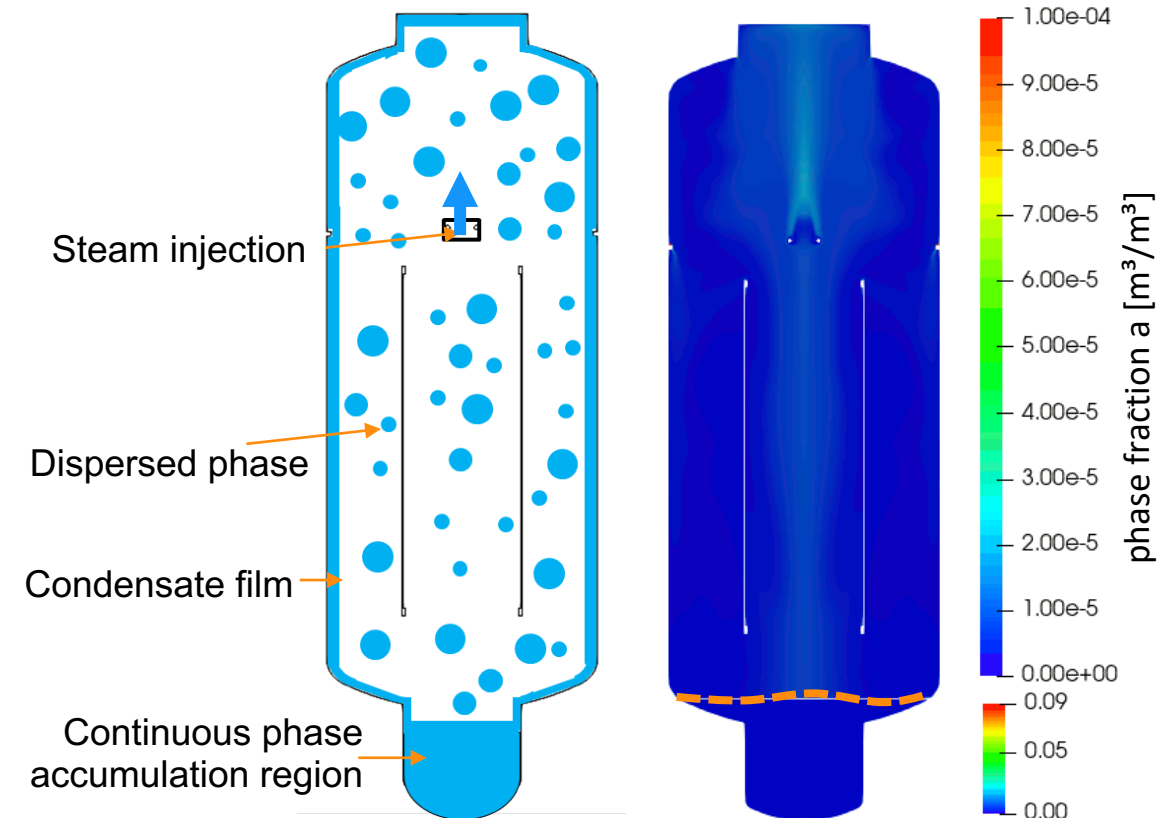
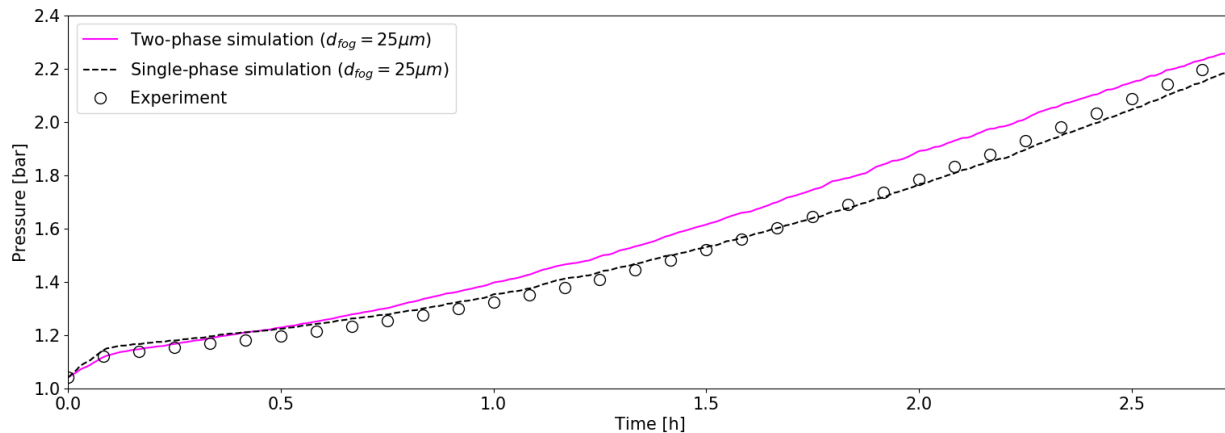
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# PERSPECTIVES

## SMR Applications - VOF modelling for (multi-component) gas and water phase

- Mixture momentum equation
- Drift flux approach for relative motion of fog droplets due to inertia, gravity, drag and diffusion
- Thermal non-equilibrium between phases
- Bulk, wall and interface condensation



THAI TH2 experiment

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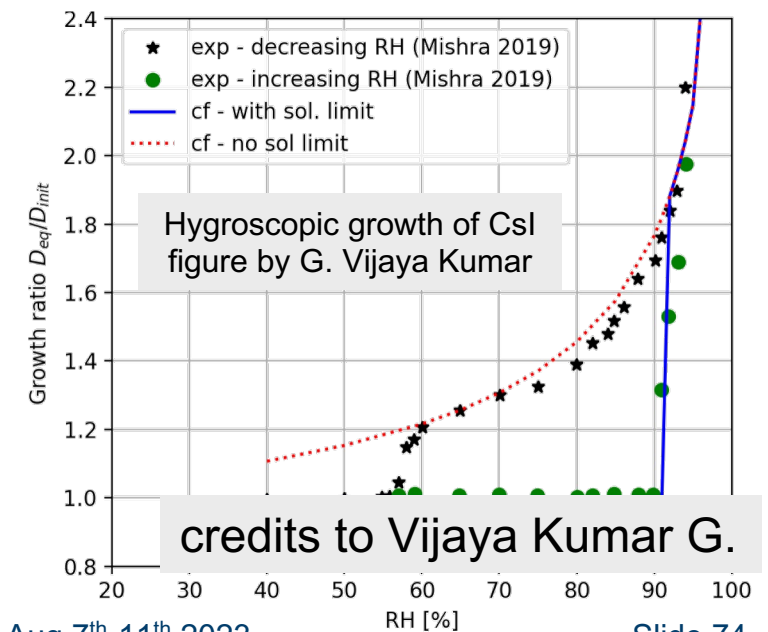
# FOG AND AEROSOL TRANSPORT



## Phenomenology

- Containment: primarily fog but also radioactive substances
- Single phase – drift flux approach
  - Transport:
    - Passive scalar transport equation
    - Thermal equilibrium
    - Forces: drag, gravity, thermo-, turbo-, diffusiophoresis.
  - Size variation and distribution:
    - Hygroscopic growth, condensation & evaporation, (de-)agglomeration
    - Sectional approach

$$\frac{\partial(\rho_{fog})}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot [\rho_{fog} (\vec{U} + \vec{U}_{drift})]}_{\text{convection \& drift due to forces}} = \nabla \cdot \underbrace{\left[ \left( D_{Brownian} + \frac{v_t}{Sc_t} \right) \nabla \rho_{fog} \right]}_{\text{Brownian \& turbulent diffusion}} - \underbrace{\dot{S}'''_{fog,m}}_{\text{condensation \& evaporation}}$$

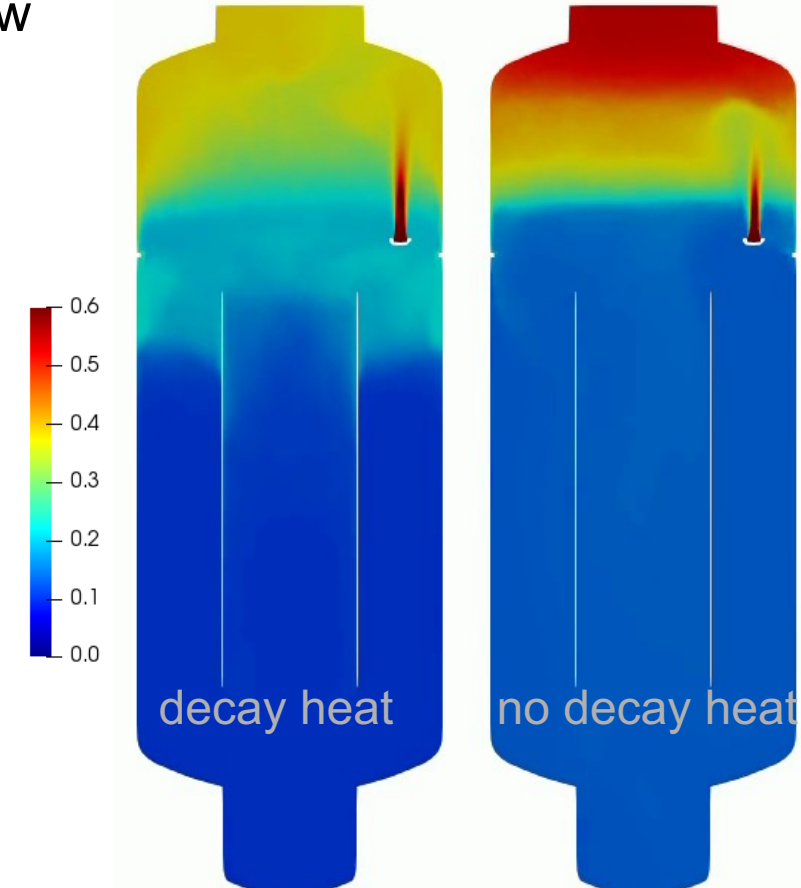
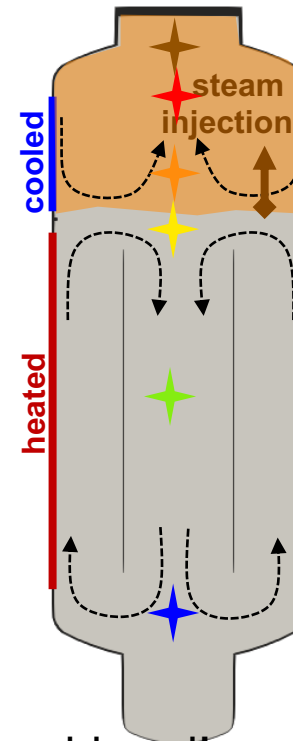
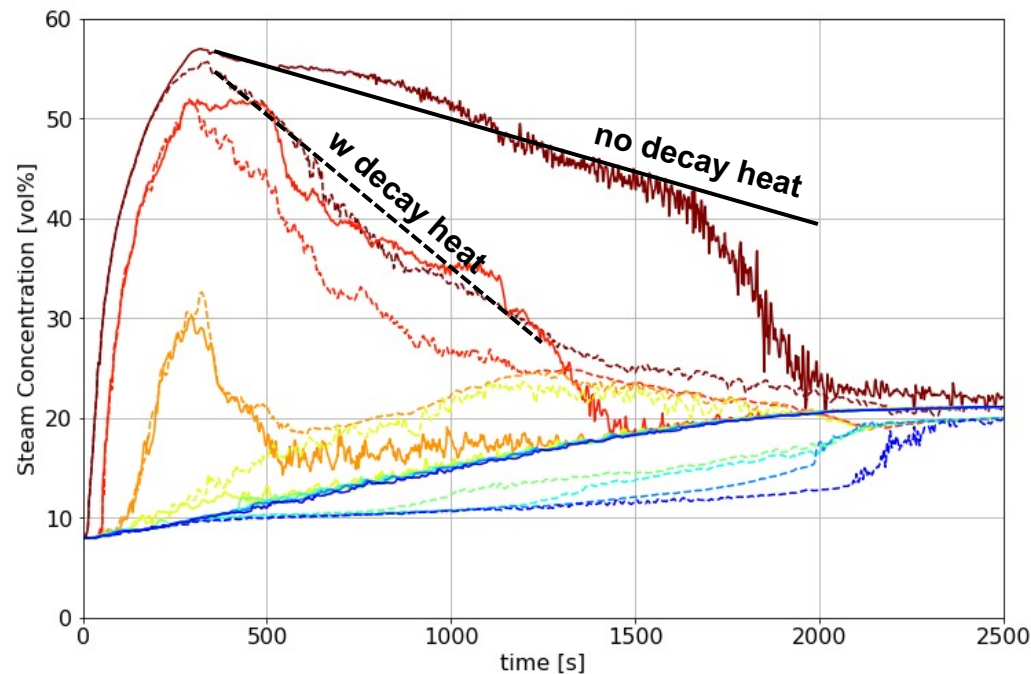


G. Vijaya Kumar, "CFD Simulation of the Interaction of Buoyant Flows with Nuclear Aerosols", PhD thesis RWTH Aachen University and IITM Madras, December 2022

# FOG AND AEROSOL TRANSPORT

## Impact of airborne decay heat

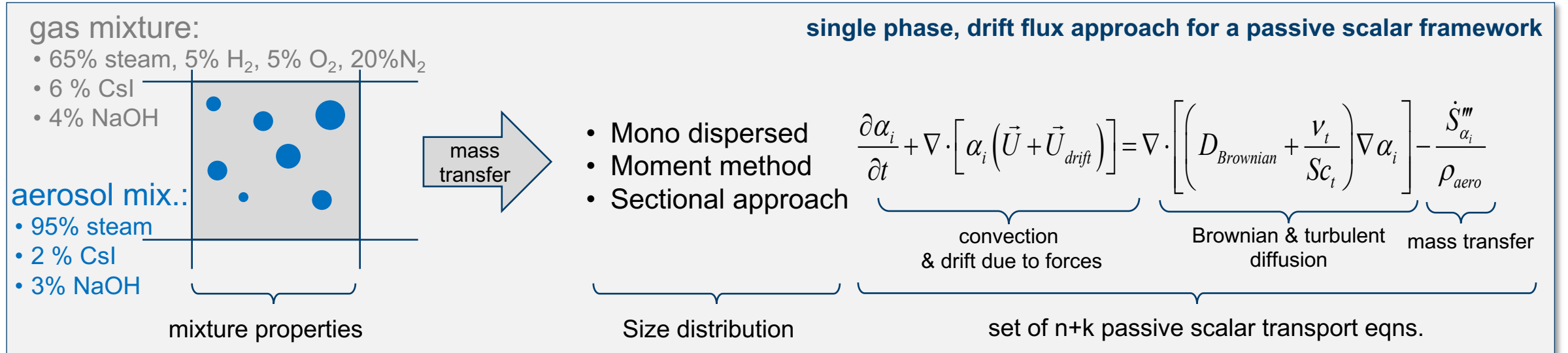
- Scoping analysis to investigate the impact on a buoyancy driven flow
  - THAI-TH24: Injection of 60 g Csl along with steam



➤ Significantly different mixing behavior if decay heat is considered!

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- Status: Harmonization of bulk condensation and fog transport models required
  - Forces: Drag, gravity, thermo-, diffusion-, turbophoresis
  - Mass transfer: Nucleation, bulk condensation and evaporation incl. hygroscopic growth
  - Aerosol size distribution: moment method, sectional approach, mono-dispersed
- Approach: Integrating fog as sub model into the aerosol library

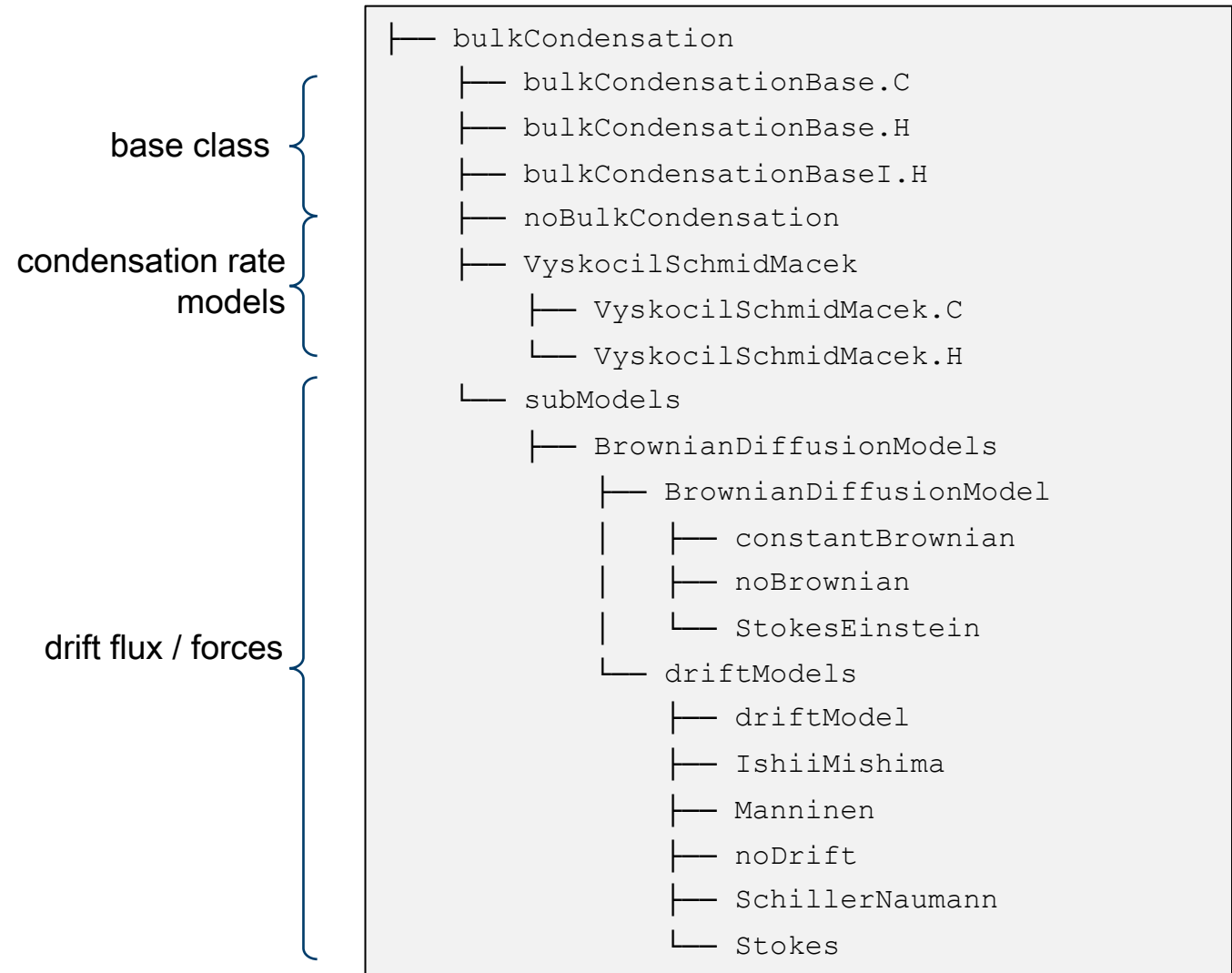


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# BULK CONDENSATION AND FOG TRANSPORT

## Implementation

- containmentFoamLibs/condensation/

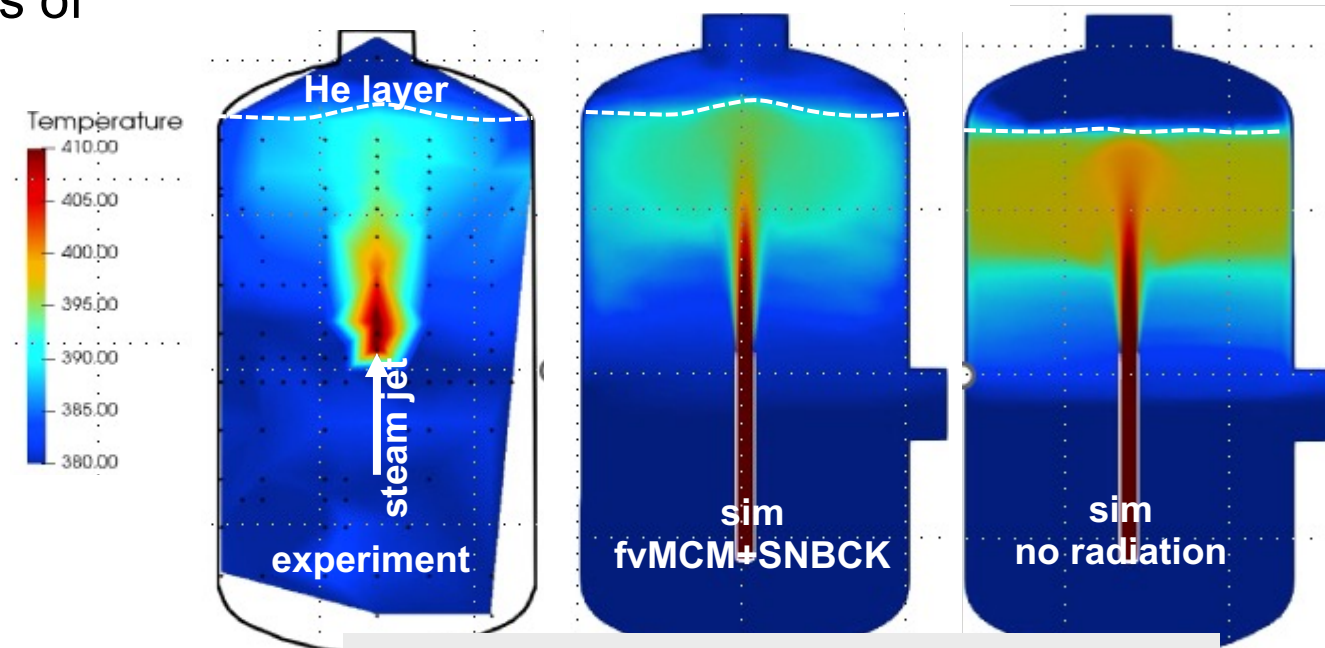


# GAS RADIATION IN CONTAINMENT FLOWS

## Introduction

- Radiative heat transfer  $\sim T^4$ , while  $T_{max}-T_{min} \sim 50K$
- Thermal radiation can transfer heat over distance
- and containment flows involve large stagnant gas volumes
- Containment atmosphere holds large amounts of IR active species steam, CO, CO<sub>2</sub>
- Energy deposited in participating media introduces secondary buoyancy driven flows
- Major challenges:
  - solve the radiative transport equation
  - model the spectral properties of the medium
  - interaction with thermo-fluid dynamics

X. Liu et al., "Monte Carlo method with SNBCK nongray gas model for thermal radiation in containment flows", NED 390, 111689, 2022



PANDA ST1\_1 test, figure from Liu et al., 2022

# RADIATIVE TRANSFER EQUATION

## Concept

- The steady-state spectral radiative transfer equation (RTE) in a non-scattering medium is

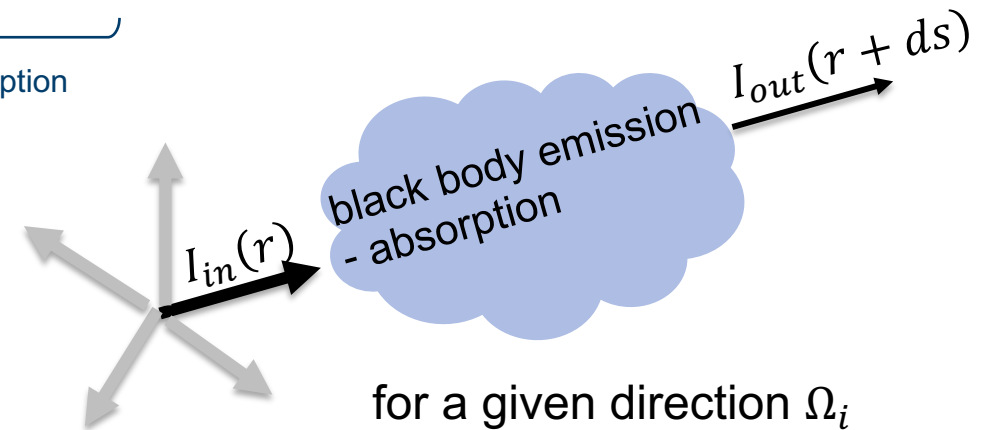
$$\frac{dI_{\eta}(r, \Omega)}{ds} = \Omega \cdot \nabla I_{\eta}(r, \Omega) = \underbrace{\kappa_{\eta} I_{b,\eta}(r, \Omega)}_{\text{black body emission}} - \underbrace{\kappa_{\eta} I_{\eta}(r, \Omega)}_{\text{absorption}}$$

- Beer Lambert law:

$$I_{\eta}(s) = I_{\eta}(0) e^{-\kappa_{\eta} s}$$

- Planck's black body emission:

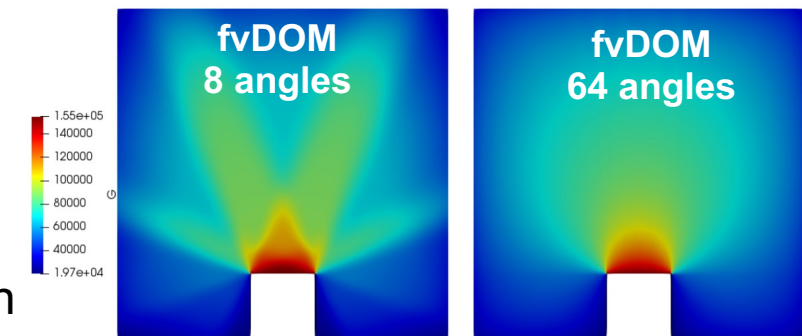
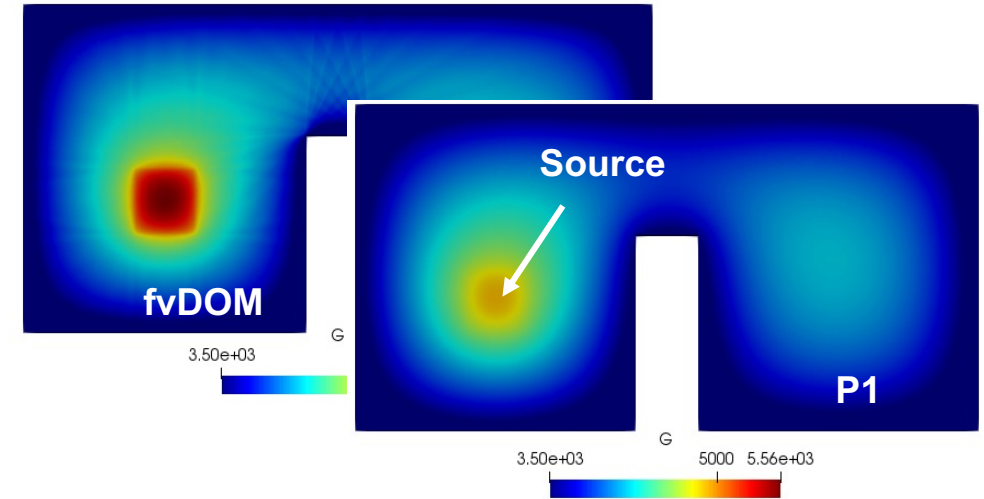
$$I_{b,\eta}(T) = \frac{2hc^2 \eta^3}{\frac{hc\eta}{e^{kT}} - 1}$$



# RADIATIVE TRANSFER EQUATION

## Solution Methods

- 1<sup>st</sup> order spherical harmonics ( $P_1$ )
  - diffusive transport equation  $\rightarrow$  no directional dependency
  - only optically thick media
  - only gray spectral properties
- Discrete Ordinate Method (DOM) /  $S_N$ 
  - Discretization of sphere surface into few directions  $\rightarrow$  ray effect, false scattering
  - Solves differential form of RTE for each energy band
  - Expensive, in particular with non-gray properties
- Monte Carlo Method (MCM)
  - Solving integral RTE along a photon path (sampling photons with wave  $n$ )
  - Error reduced with number of photon histories ( $\rightarrow$  cost!)
  - Efficient with non-gray models, geometric flexibility



Comparison of P1 and fvDOM (top) and ray effect (bottom), figure by X. Liu

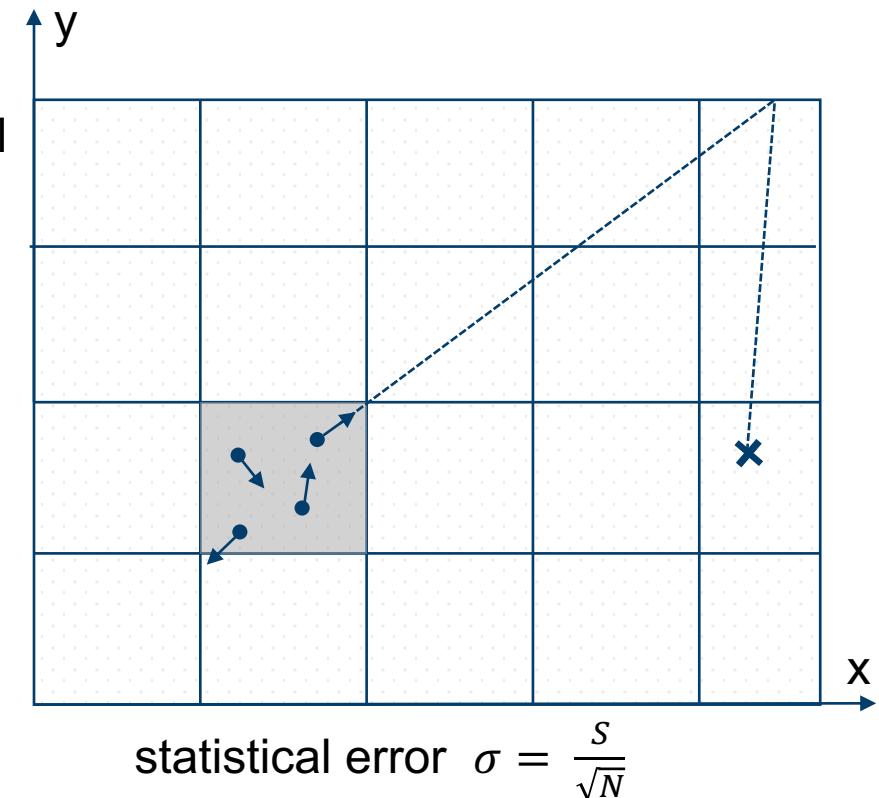


# MONTE CARLO SOLVER

## Radiative Energy Absorption Distribution Monte Carlo Method Algorithm

- Built on the Lagrangian library in OpenFOAM
  - Determine the total emission energy
    - Black body  $Q_{emission} = 4 \kappa \sigma T^4 V$
  - Sample position  $(x, y, z)$  and direction  $(u, v, w)$  of  $n$  photons per cell
  - Photon tracking along its path  $s$ 
    - Beer's law  $E_{out} = E_{in}(x, y, z; u, v, w) (1 - e^{-k(x, y, z)s})$
  - Resample photon direction if it hits a wall face
  - Compute energy deposition in each cell along the path  $s$ 
    - $Q_{absorption} = \sum_n E_0(x, y, z; u, v, w) e^{-k(x, y, z)s}$
  - Continue until the photon energy is below a threshold value
  - Summarize the radiation source term
    - $-divQr = (Q_{absorption} - Q_{emission})/V$

Basic fvMCM algorithm for a gray medium, figure by X. Liu



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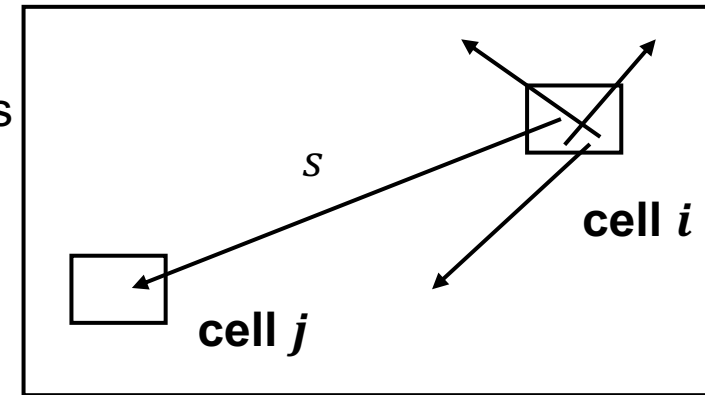
# Monte Carlo Solver

## Monte Carlo Solver Efficiency Improvement: Algorithm Improvements

- Monte Carlo method (**standard**)
  - Statistical error due to the finite number of directions/photons
  - Hard to reduce fluctuations in complex 3D geometries
  - unavoidable temperature fluctuations
- Forward shifted method (**shifted**) [1]
- Emission-based Reciprocity Method (**ERM**) [2]
  - Rays also followed in a reverse direction: from detector to source

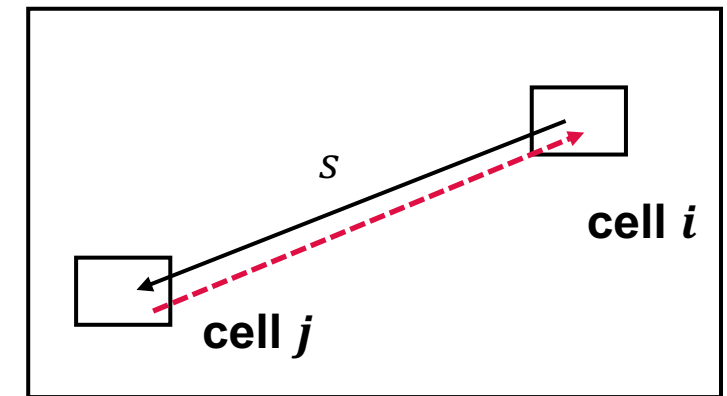
$$P_{i,j}^{exch} = \int_0^\infty \kappa_\eta I_b(T_i) \left( \frac{I_b(T_j)}{I_b(T_i)} - 1 \right) \int_V \int_{4\pi} \tau(s) \alpha d\Omega dV d\eta$$

- If  $T_i == T_j$ , then  $P_{i,j}^{exch} = 0$ . There is no radiative energy exchange between two volumes at same temperature, avoiding the unphysical fluctuation



—————> forward direction

MC algorithms,  
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-----> reverse direction

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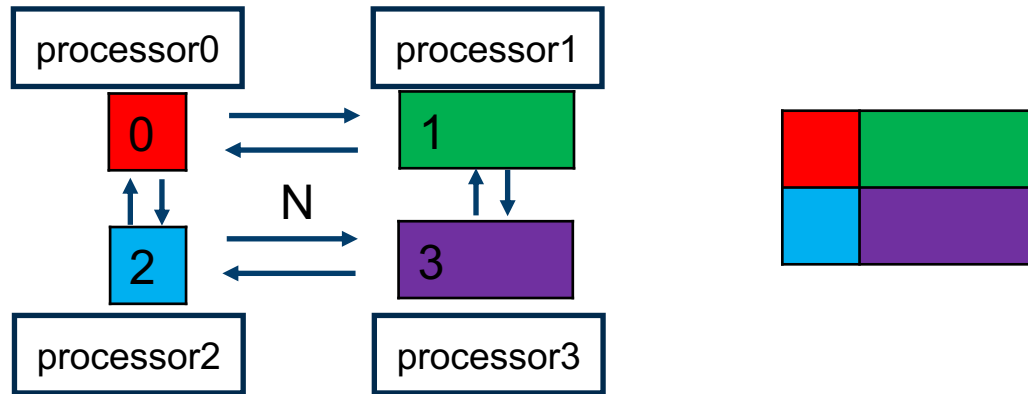
[1] L. Soucasse et al., "Monte Carlo methods for radiative transfer in quasi-isothermal participating media", Journal of Quantitative Spectroscopy and Radiative Transfer 128, 2013

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# MONTE CARLO SOLVER

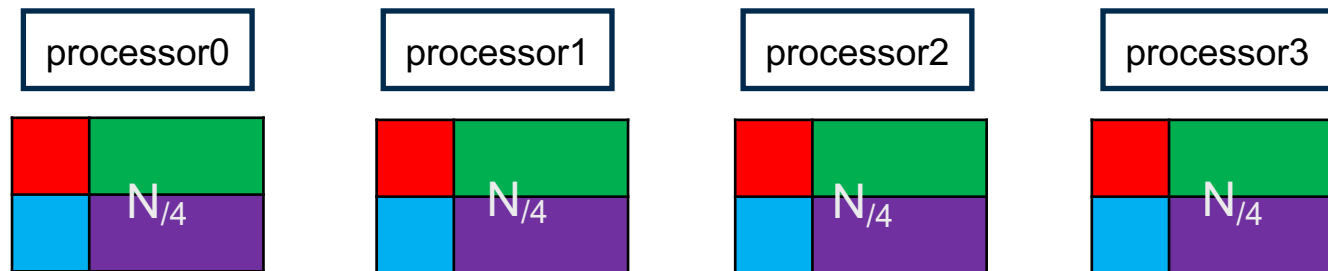
## Monte Carlo Solver Efficiency Improvement: Efficient parallelization

- Domain decomposition for parallelization of CFD analysis, coupling via 'processor patches'



Paralellization strategies for fvMCM,  
figure by X. Liu

- High communication effort, inefficient for radiation transport → distribute photon number over cores



- reconstruct global mesh
- distribute photon bundles
- reduce radiative source term
- update local CFD fields

- Efficiency increase about 40% w.r.t to domain decomposition, but higher memory requirement for global mesh.

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# MONTE CARLO SOLVER

## Monte Carlo Solver Efficiency Improvement: Importance Sampling Method

- Biased sampling is one of variance reduction methods to accelerate Monte Carlo

$$\sigma = \frac{S}{\sqrt{N}}$$

- Determine the “important” region / scenario and locally sample more photon bundles
  - Currently, importance sampling based on the temperature and  $x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$  is implemented in fvMCM solver.
  - The important sampling technology generates more photon bundles in ‘hot, steam rich’ regions, while reducing the number of photons outside without losing accuracy.
- Radiation-CFD coupling outside PIMPLE loop: Update only every  $n$  time steps
- computation time in order of CFD

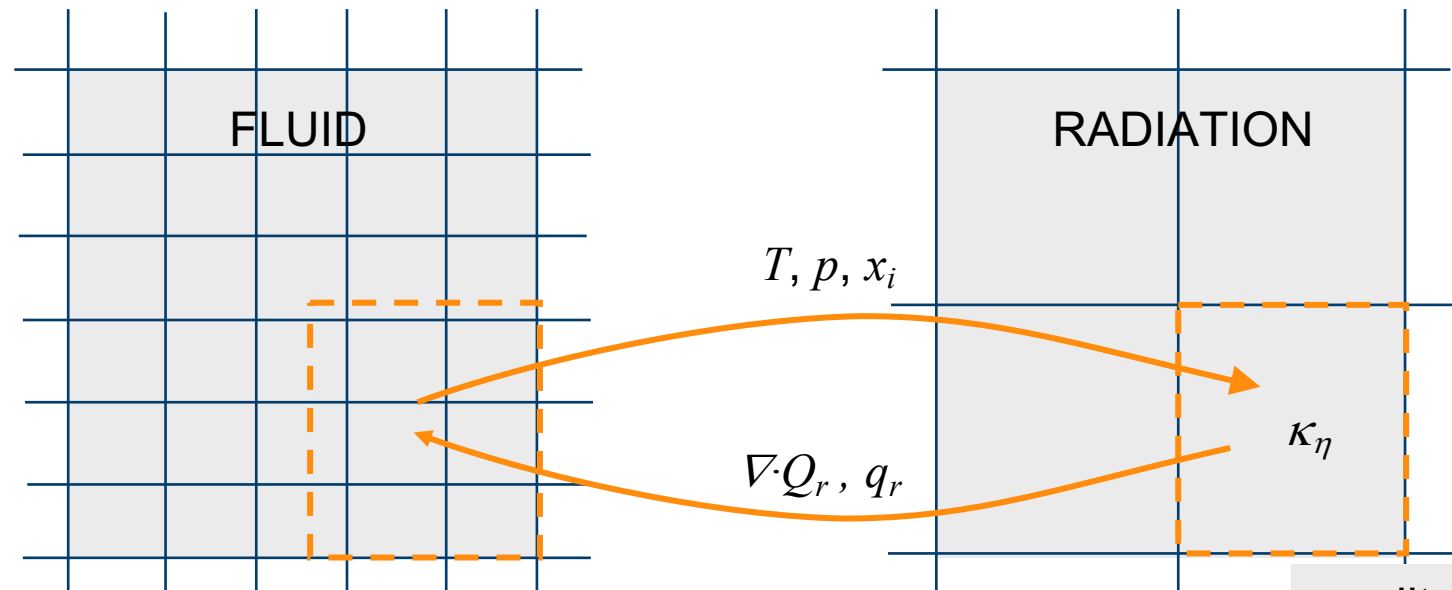
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# MONTE CARLO SOLVER

## Monte Carlo Solver Efficiency Improvement: Mesh-to-Mesh projection

- Gradients of the radiation intensity are much less steep than those of velocity:
  - Radiation transport can be solved on a coarser mesh
  - Mapping of  $T, p, x_i$  from fluid to radiation mesh
  - Computing  $\kappa_\eta$  and solution of RTE on radiation mesh
  - Mapping of  $\nabla \cdot Q_r$  and  $q_r$  from radiation to fluid mesh

- Reduction of the total photon count proportional to cell ratio
- Reduced efforts for photon tracking
- BPG ongoing

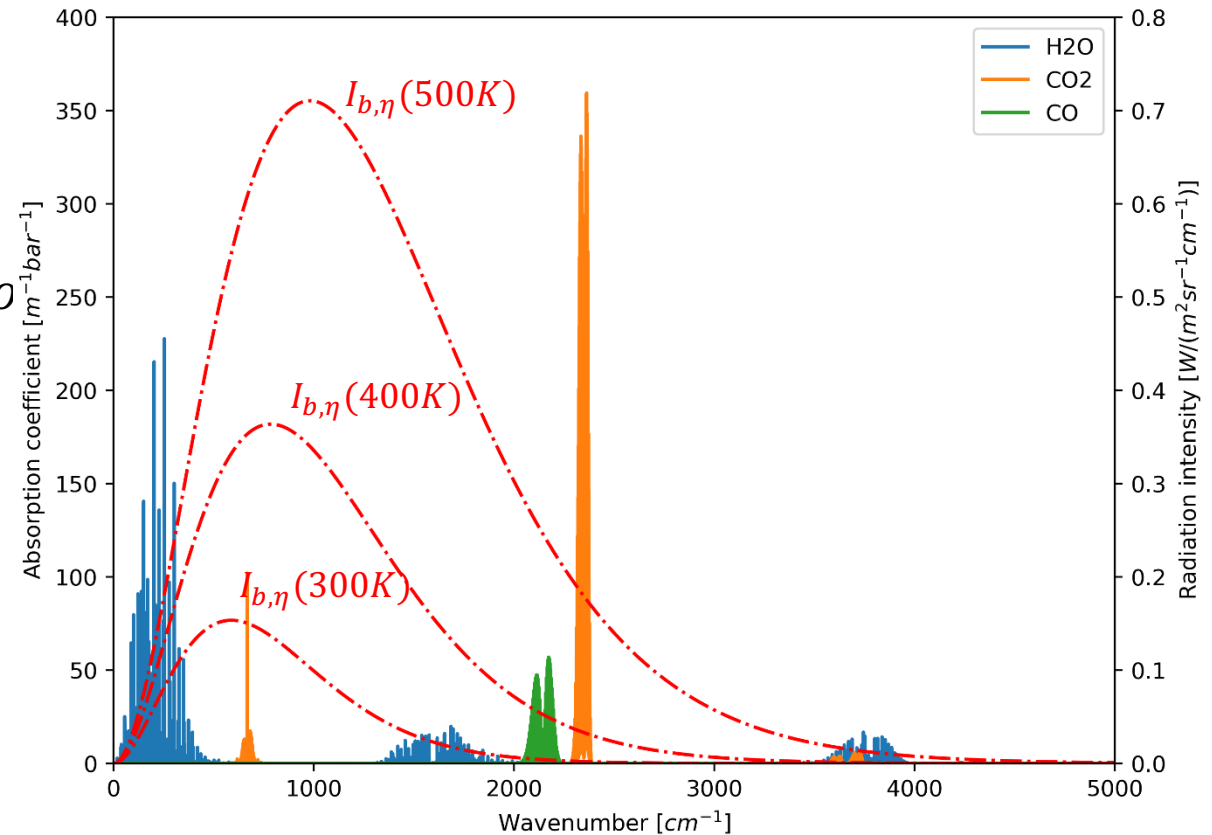


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# SPECTRAL MODELING

## Non-gray gas properties

- H<sub>2</sub>O absorption spectrum is different from CO and CO<sub>2</sub>
- The accuracy of the radiative source term depends on both prevailing spectral intensity and absorption spectrum of the gas mixture
- Nongray gas property is a function of  $\eta, T, p_{H_2O}, p_{CO}$



Absorption coefficients vs. black body spectrum, figure by X. Liu

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# SPECTRAL MODELING

## Overview

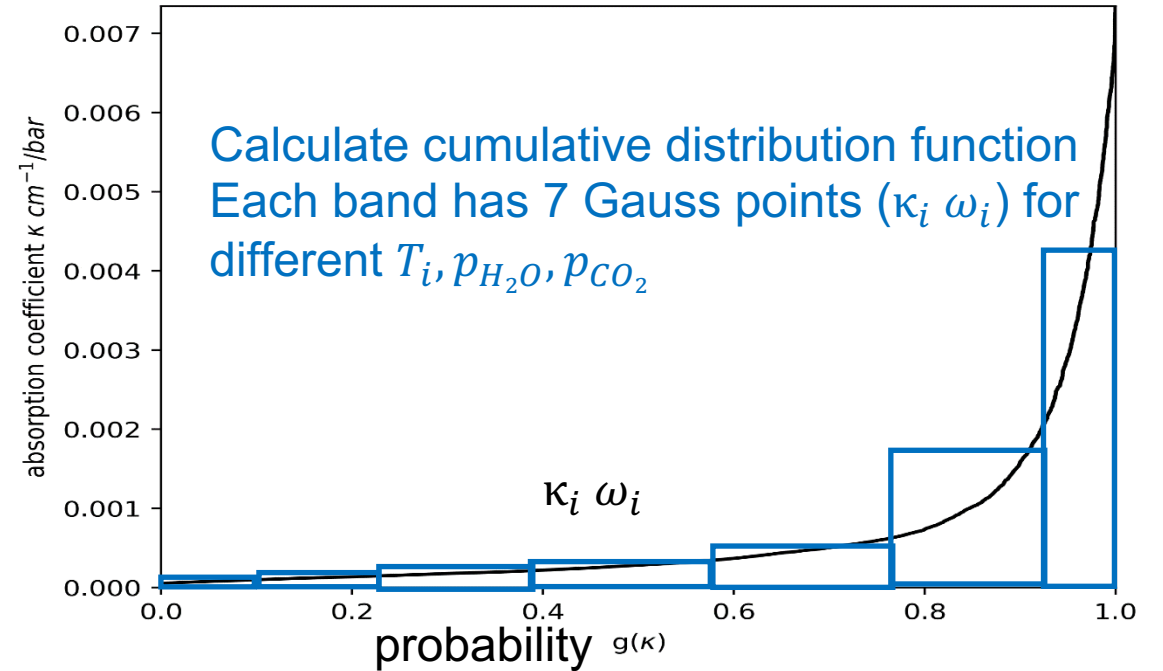
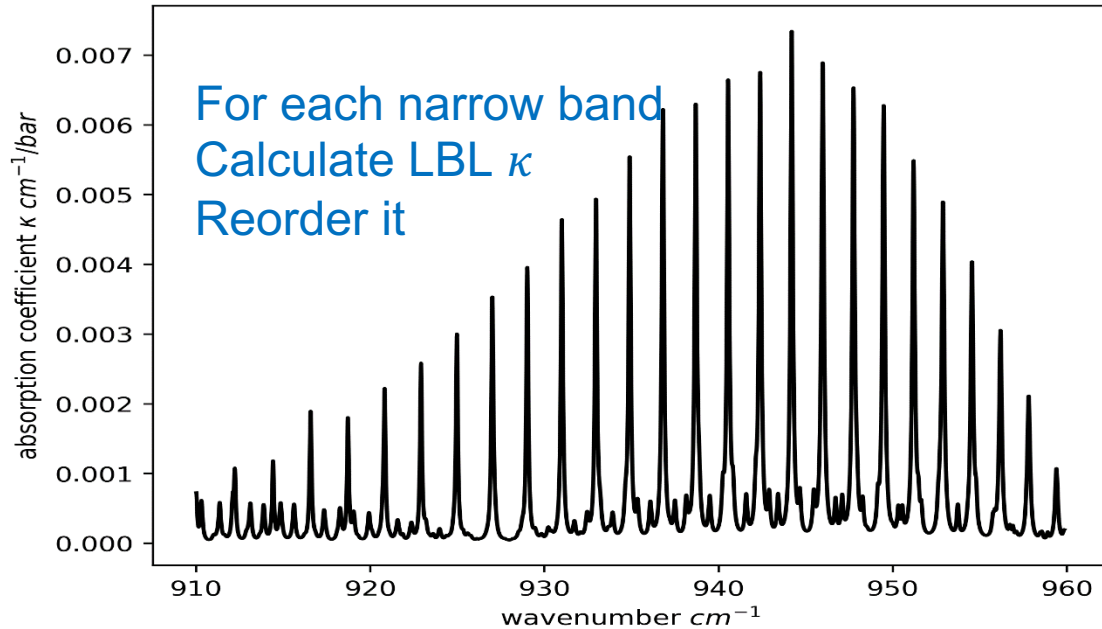
- Containment conditions during a severe accident
  - steam concentration (~5..80 vol.%) + CO, CO<sub>2</sub> (~0..10 vol.%)
  - gas temperature (30..250 °C)
  - large geometries (path length  $O \sim$  m)
  - Long transient with varying conditions ( $O \sim$  hours)
- Different from combustion applications
- Requirements:
  - Model applicable to full range
  - efficient

model	spectral lines	property
Line-by-Line (LBL)	~ 1 million	$\kappa$
Statistical Narrow Band correlated-k (SNBCK)	~ 200	$\kappa$
Statistical Narrow Band (SNB)	~ 200	$\tau$
Exponential Wide Band model	~ 20	$\tau$
Weighted-sum-of-grey-gases	~ 4	$\kappa_i \cdot a_i(T)$
Gray gas model	1	$\kappa$

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# NONGRAY GAS PROPERTIES

Statistical narrow band correlated-k model (SNBCK)



$$\tau_{\Delta\eta} = \frac{1}{\Delta\eta} \int_{\Delta\eta} \tau(\kappa_\eta) d\eta \approx \sum_i^{nGauss} \omega_i \tau(\kappa_i)$$

$$I_{\Delta\eta} = \frac{1}{\Delta\eta} \int_{\Delta\eta} I(\kappa_\eta) d\eta \approx \sum_i^{nGauss} \omega_i I(\kappa_i)$$

 Soufiani et al. "High temperature gas radiative property parameters of statistical narrow-band model for H<sub>2</sub>O, CO<sub>2</sub> and CO, and correlated-K model for H<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub>" *JHMT* 40(4), 987-991

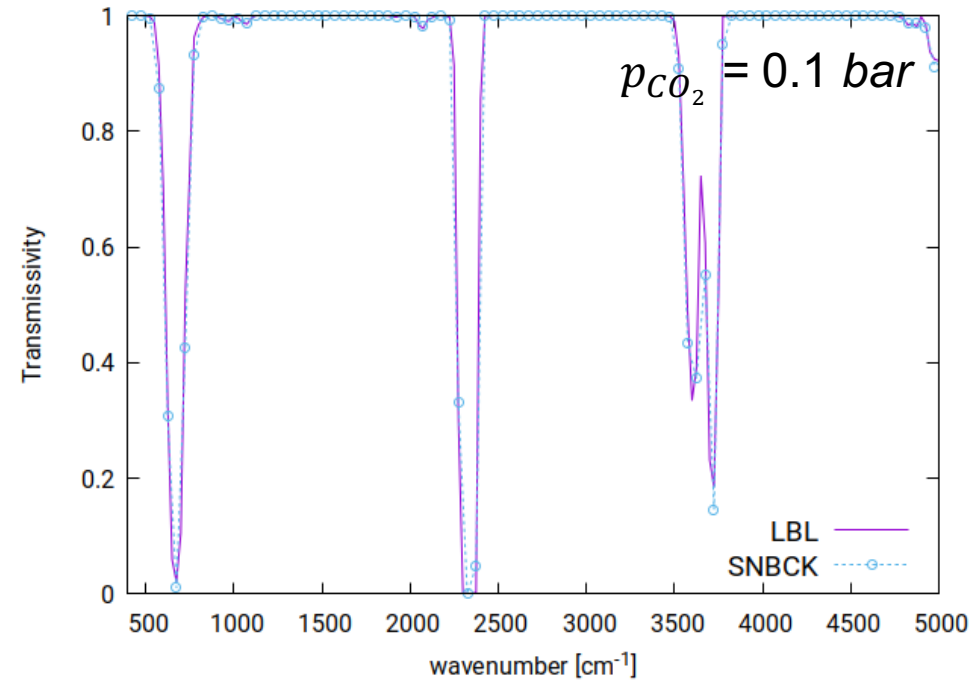
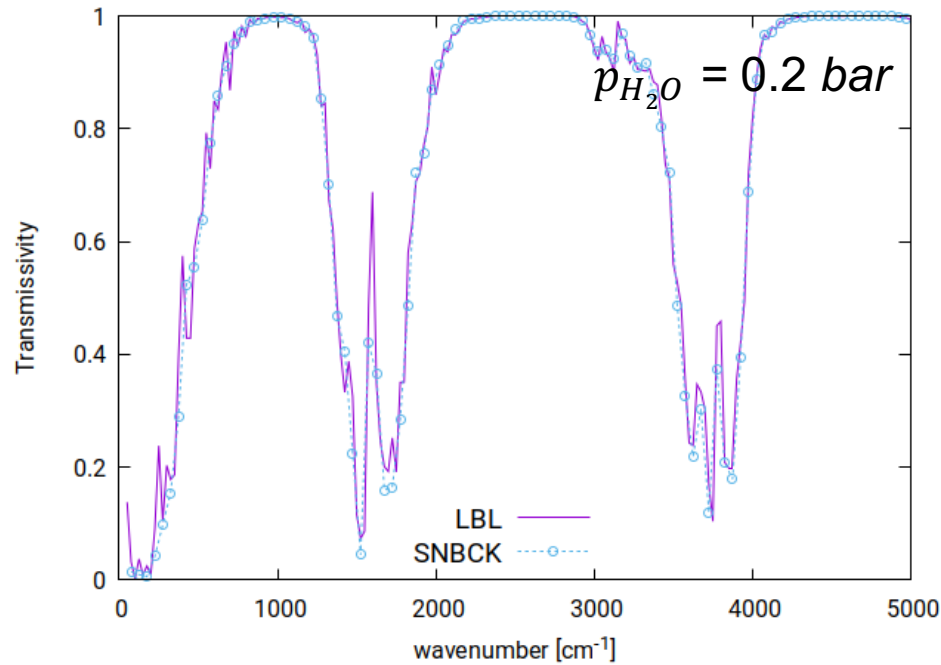
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# NONGRAY GAS PROPERTIES

## Verification against LBL solutions

- Tailored SNBCK database for containment conditions



$T = 400 \text{ K}$   
 $p_{\text{tot}} = 1 \text{ bar}$   
 $L = 1.0 \text{ m}$

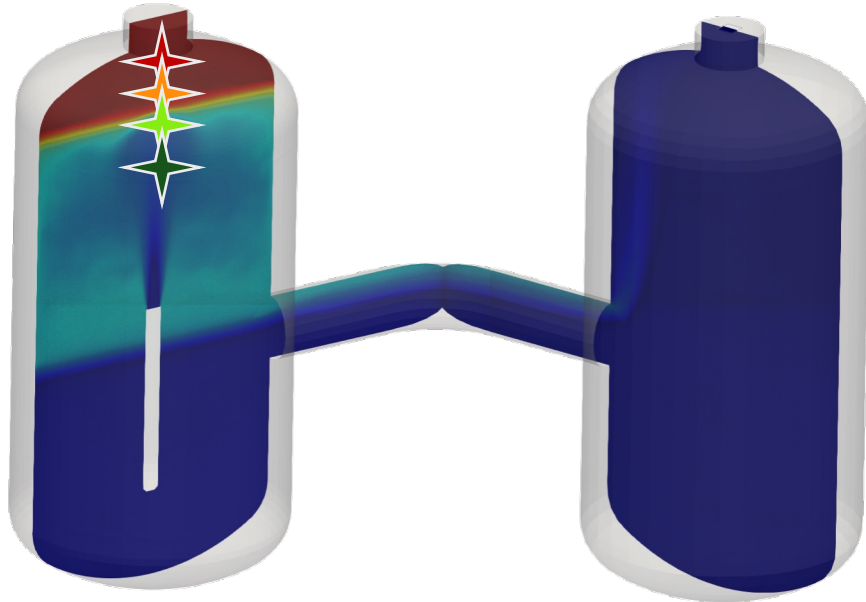
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# CONTAINMENTFOAM

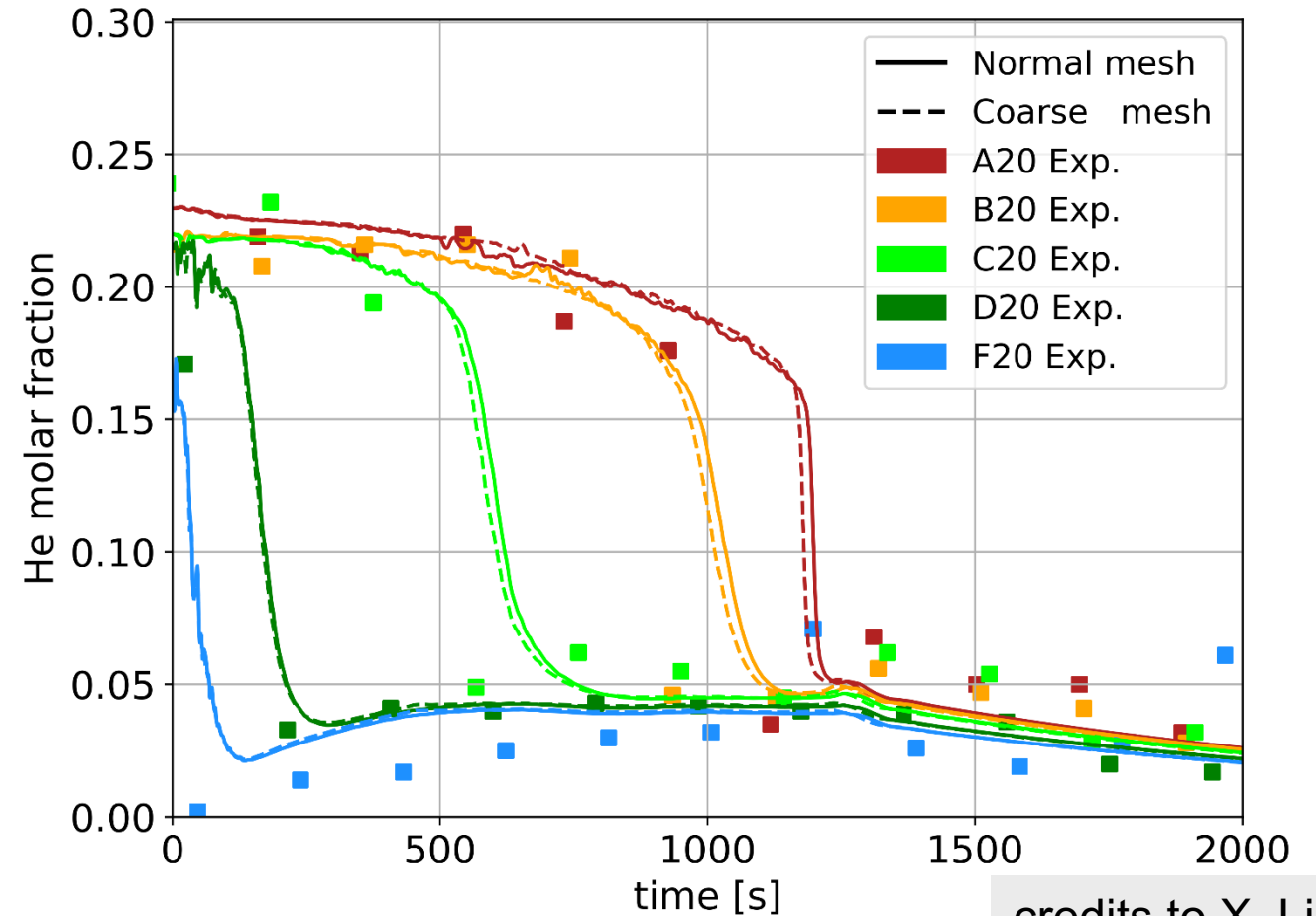
## fvMCM-ERM Validation and Verification

### ■ OECD/NEA SETH2 ST1\_1\_2

- Radiation mesh 1/8th of CFD mesh



- Radiation solver run time reduced from ~ 80% to 30% CFD runtime
- BPG needed on coarsening strategy



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# GAS RADIATION MODELING

## How to use it ?

### ■ contant/radiationProperties

```
radiationModel          fvMCSNBCKH2OCO2;
fvMCSNBCKH2OCO2ParcelCoefFs
{
  minPhoton              40;
  maxPhoton              80;
  facePhoton             80;
  mode                   ERM;
  cutoff                 1e-4;
  nBatch                 1;
  globalMesh             true;
  conjugateHeatTransfer  true;
  solverFreq             200;
}
absorptionEmissionModel SNBCKH2OCO2AbsorptionEmission;
SNBCKH2OCO2AbsorptionEmissionCoefFs
{
  H2Ofilename  SNBCKH2O_300K_1100K_159bands.dat;
  CO2filename  SBCKCO2_300K_1100K_159bands.dat;
}
```

← default 40, minimum for importance sampling  
← default 80, maximum for importance sampling  
← default 80  
← MC algorithm: normal, shifted, ERM (default)  
← min photon energy  
← default 1, splits photons into batches to calculate stat. Error 'MCrel'  
← default true, disable if memory constraints exist  
← activate in case of multi region simulation  
← number of flow iterations per radiation iteration (typically every 1s one update)

} definition of the spectral model and database files

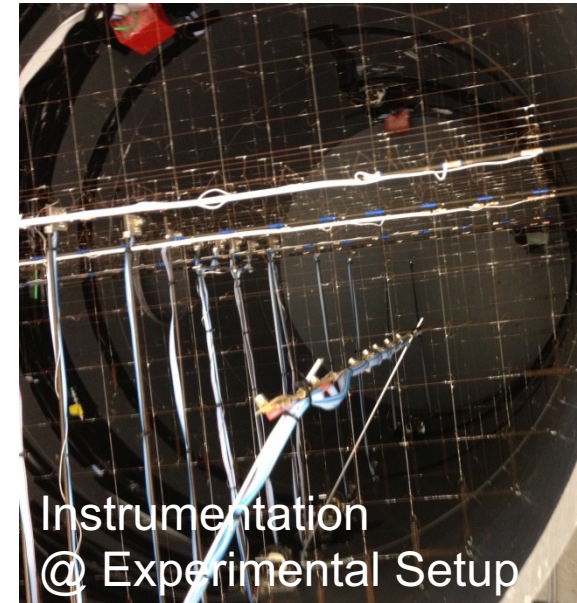
## Introduction

- Major aspect of containment analysis is to assess efficiency of safety systems (in a severe accident typically only passive systems available)
  - Pressure relief flaps, blow-out panels, burst foils, doors
  - Passive auto-catalytic recombiners
  - Heat exchangers / unresolved structures (distributed heat sinks)
  - Sprinklers
  - Containment venting
  - Pressure suppression system
  - Emergency injection system
  - ..

# POROUS MEDIA

## Introduction

- While a CFD domain can be a large free volume, reality isn't !



- Resolving small structures (e.g., walking grids, filters, tube bundles) the mesh is often impossible in a technical-scale analysis.
- We must model their effects, e.g., flow resistance/pressure drop, thermal inertia and change in flow direction, production/dissipation of turbulence.

# POROUS MEDIA

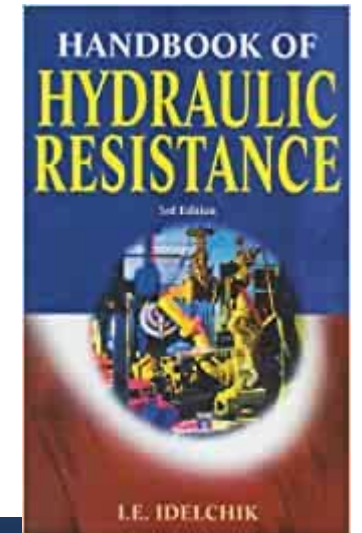
## Concept

- Darcy-Forchheimer model adds a new sink to momentum equation:

$$\nabla p = \underbrace{\left( \mu \vec{D} \right)}_{\text{Darcy}} + \underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{2} \rho \vec{F} \vec{U} \right)}_{\text{Forchheimer}} \vec{U}$$

- Darcy (linear) and Forchheimer (quadratic) loss coefficients can be specified in streamwise and transversal directions
- How to obtain coefficients?
  - Text books:
    - Standard geometries

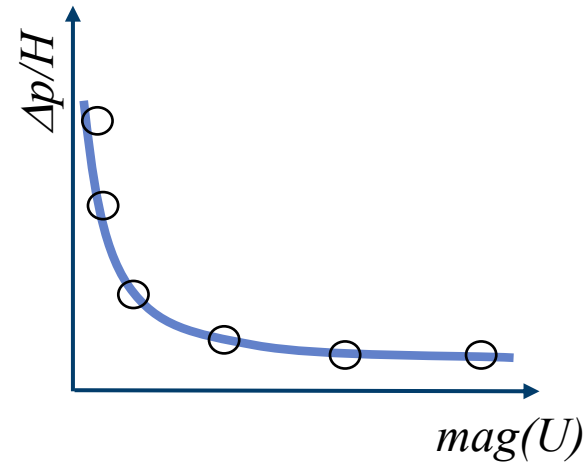
$$\Delta p = \left( \lambda \frac{L}{d_H} + \xi \right) \frac{1}{2} \rho U^2$$



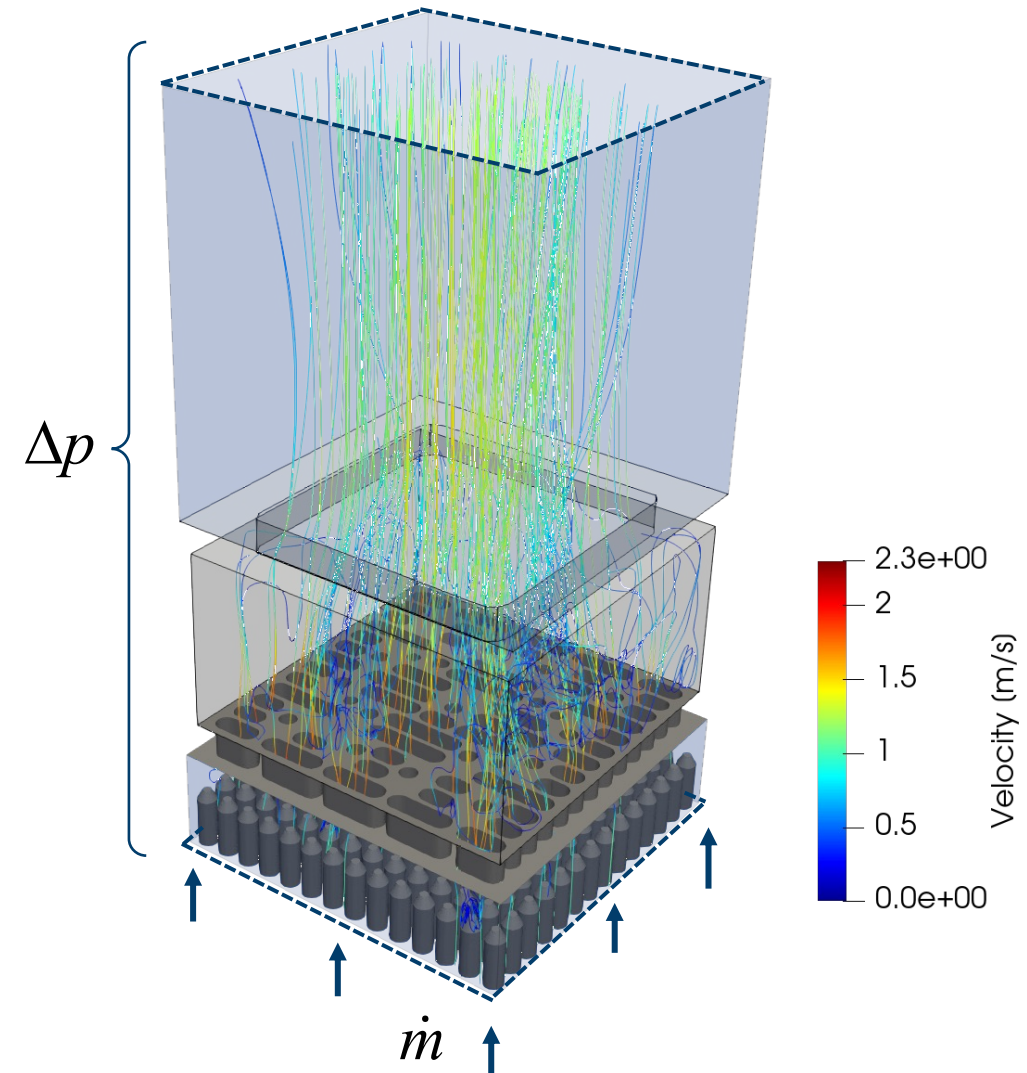
# POROUS MEDIA

## Concept

- How to obtain coefficients?
  - detailed CFD analysis
    - non-standard geometries
    - Determine polynomial fit for  $\Delta p(U)$



$$\frac{\Delta p}{H} = (K_{loss}) \frac{1}{2} \rho U^2$$



## How to use it ?

### ■ constant/fvModels

```
type          explicitPorositySource;
explicitPorositySourceCoeffs {
  selectionMode  cellZone;
  cellZone      GRIDZONE;
  type          DarcyForchheimer;
  DarcyForchheimerCoeffs {
    d    d [0 -2 0 0 0 0 0] (0 0 0);
    f    f [0 -1 0 0 0 0 0] (1000 15 1000);
    coordinateSystem
    {
      type      cartesian;
      origin    (0 0 0);
      coordinateRotation
      {
        type      axesRotation;
        e1    (1 0 0);
        e2    (0 0.96456 -0.26387);
      }
    }
  }
}
```

← all, cellSet, cellZone, points

← definition of porous region

← Darcy coefficient, mostly (0 0 0)

← Forchheimer coefficient, isentropic or directional

} coordinate system for d and f vectors;  
e1 and e2 are unit vectors; e3 = e1 x e2



## Heat transfer – porous CHT

- Preserving heat capacity of unresolved structures in a system-scale model:
  - multiRegion approach (1 mesh for fluid region, 1 mesh for porous solid) coupled by `fvModels` definition in each region

### constant/FLUID/fvModels

```
type          constantHeatTransfer;  
nbrRegionName GRID;  
interpolationMethod cellVolumeWeight;  
nbrModel      porousCHT;  
fields        (h);  
semiImplicit  false;
```

model to be applied (variableHeatTransfer or tabulatedHeatTransfer)

coupled region name

mapping method

name of fvModels object on solid side

field to be mapped

### constant/GRID/fvModels

```
type          constantHeatTransfer;  
nbrRegionName FLUID;  
interpolationMethod cellVolumeWeight;  
nbrModel      porousCHT;  
fields        (h);  
semiImplicit  false;
```

variableHeatTransfer:  $Nu = a \cdot Re^b \cdot Pr^c$

## Scalar sources

- Damping turbulence: While passing through the narrow channels, large eddies break up into small ones, which are quickly dissipated → damping of turbulence

### constant/FLUID/fvConstraint

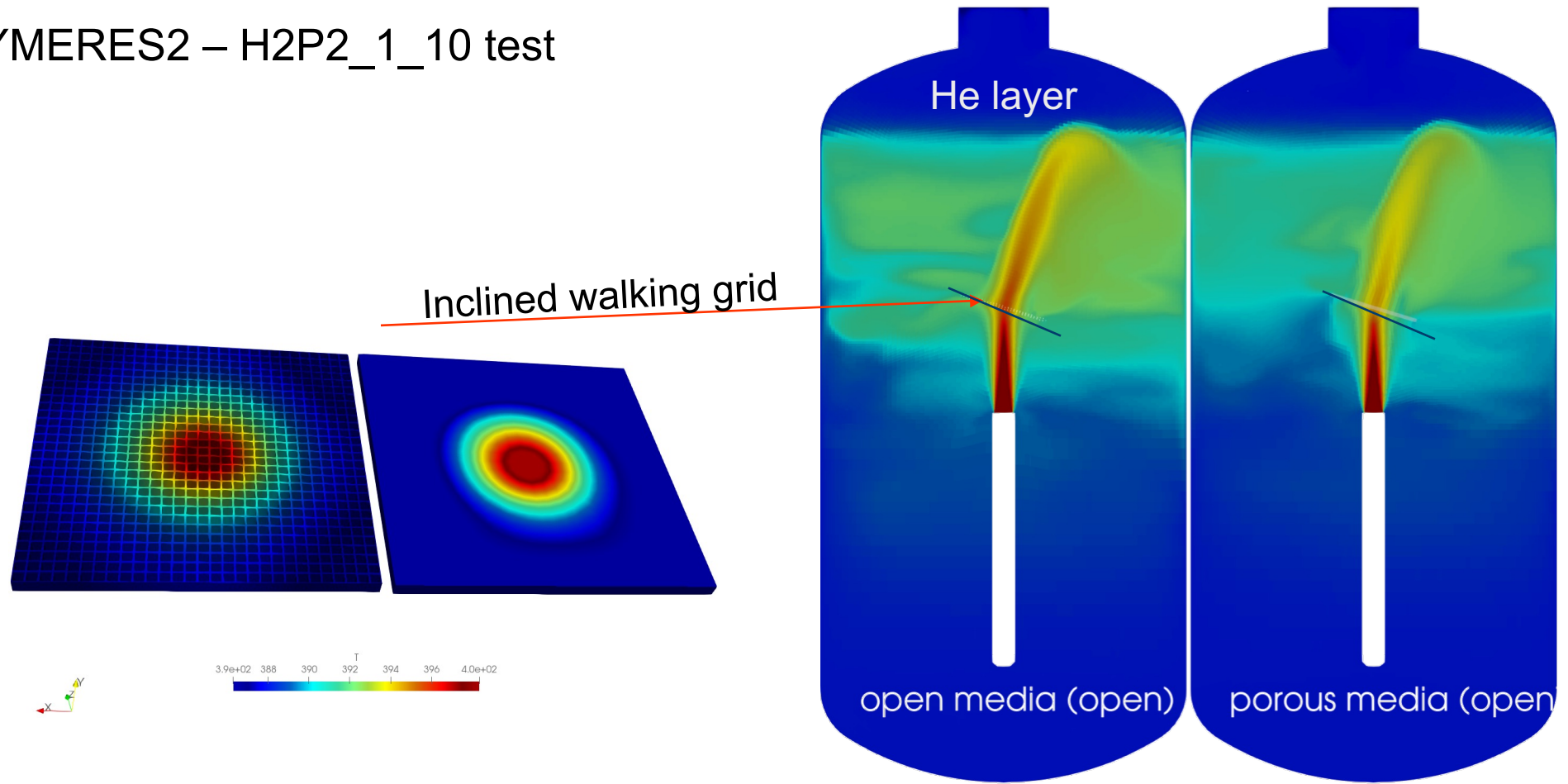
<pre>type          fixedValueConstraint;</pre>	←	model to be applied (e.g. limitPressure, limitTemperature)
<pre>selectionMode cellZone;</pre>	←	definition of porous region
<pre>cellZone      GRIDZONE;</pre>	←	
<pre>fieldValues   {</pre>	←	volScalarFields to be overwritten by value
<pre>    k          0.05;</pre>		
<pre>    omega      300;</pre>		
<pre>}}</pre>		

[https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam\\_1\\_1fvConstraint.html](https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam_1_1fvConstraint.html)

# POROUS MEDIA

## Application – walking grid

- OECD/NEA HYMERES2 – H2P2\_1\_10 test



# POROUS MEDIA

## Heat sources

- Modeling a heat exchanger:
  - Description of a (transient) heat source

### constant/FLUID/fvModels

type	heatSource;	←	fvModel to be applied
selectionMode	cellSet;	←	definition of porous region
cellSet	HEATER;	←	
Q	1e6;	←	Scalar source or function1 type (e.g. table, csvFile)

[https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam\\_1\\_1fvModel.html](https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam_1_1fvModel.html)

## Heat sources

- Modeling a heat exchanger:

- Simple built-in heat exchanger model

$$\dot{Q}_{tot} = e(\phi_{in}, \dot{m}_2)(T_2 - T_1)\phi_{in}c_p$$

### constant/FLUID/fvModels

```
type    effectivenessHeatExchangerSource;
selectionMode    cellZone;
cellZone    htx;
secondaryMassFlowRate    1.0;
secondaryInletT    336;
primaryInletT    293;

faceZone    facesZoneInletOriented;
effectiveness    <function2>;
```

← fvModel to be applied

← definition of porous region

← used to integrate the net mass flow rate  $\phi_{in}$  into the heat exchanger

← described in terms of the primary and secondary mass flow rates

- Distribution to cells based on local velocity and temperatures

[https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam\\_1\\_1fv\\_1\\_1effectivenessHeatExchangerSource.html#details](https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam_1_1fv_1_1effectivenessHeatExchangerSource.html#details)

## Mass (continuity) sources

- When modeling small distributed mass sources/sinks, one has to take care of transported quantities

### constant/FLUID/fvModels

```
type          massSource;
selectionMode cellZone;
cellZone      INJECTIONRING;
fields        (rho U H2O h k omega);
massFlowRate  table
  ((0.0  0.24)
   (5.0  0.48)
   (10.0 -0.10));
mode          internal;
fieldValues {
  U           constant (0 2 0);
  ..}

```

definition of release location

definition of all solution fields (except pressure) in the present case

definition of mass flow rate constant or function1

Internal: uses local field value (sources and sinks), external uses specified fieldValues (only sources)

values should be provided for all solved for fields

[https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam\\_1\\_1fv\\_1\\_1massSource.html](https://cpp.openfoam.org/v9/classFoam_1_1fv_1_1massSource.html)

## Pressure dependent flow path

- BurstDisc model:
  - Opens as soon as a differential pressure / net force between both sides is exceeded
  - Basic functionality in OpenFOAM:  
blends between baffle / cyclic patch pair
  - Pre-processing:
    - Create ‚baffle‘ + ‚cyclic‘ patch pair using the same faces
      - create face set: topoSet (from existing patches, surfaces, primitive volumes..)
      - remove existing baffles: mergeBaffles
      - create patch pair: createBaffles

### constant/polyMesh/boundary

```
BURSTDISC2_side1 {
    type      cyclic;
    inGroups  list<word>  1(cyclic);
    nFaces    25;
    startFace 4310;
    matchTolerance 0.0001;
    neighbourPatch BURSTDISC2_side2;
    transformType none;    }

BURSTDISC2_side2 {
    type      cyclic;
    inGroups  list<word>  1(cyclic);
    nFaces    25;
    startFace 4335;
    matchTolerance 0.0001;
    neighbourPatch BURSTDISC2_side1;
    transformType none;    }

BURSTDISC2      {
    type      wall;
    inGroups  List<word>  1(wall);
    nFaces    50;
    startFace 4360;    }
```

## Pressure dependent flow path

- BurstDisc model:
  - Pre-processing:
    - Create ,baffle' + ,cyclic' patch pair using the same faces
    - Set-up boundary conditions:
      - 0/U: Holds activation parameters
      - 0/others: cyclic / baffle wall definition
  - Solving:
    - system/systemEvents → estimated opening time

0/U

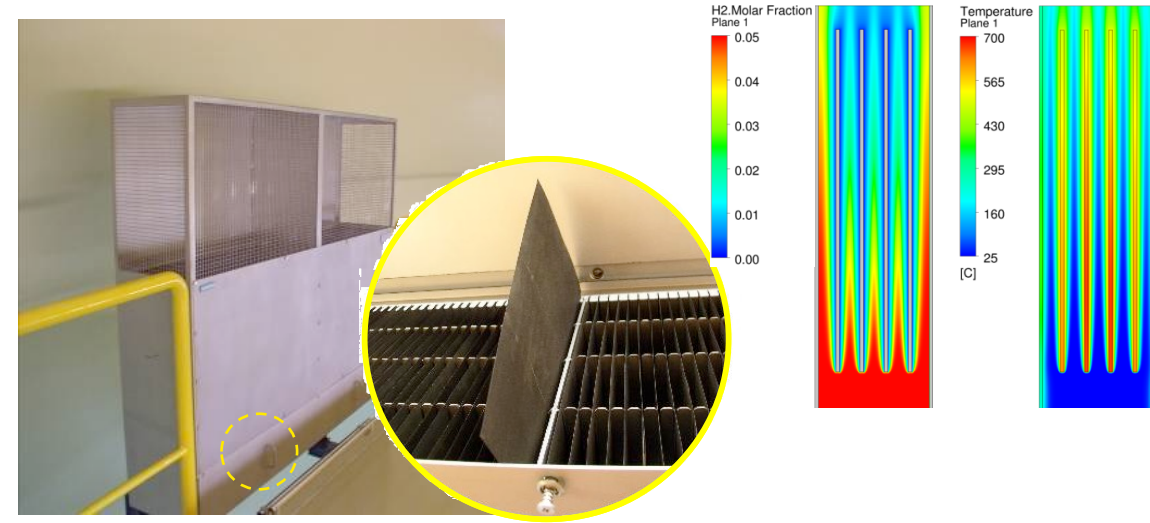
```
BURSTDISC2_side1 {
    type    cyclic;
}
BURSTDISC2_side2 {
    type    cyclic;
}
BURSTDISC2      {
    type          burstDisc;
    cyclicPatch   BURSTDISC2_side1;
    orientation   1;
    openingTime   3;
    maxOpenFractionDelta 0.1;
    openFraction  0;
    forceBased    false;
    minThresholdValue 1000;
    value uniform (0 0 0);
}
```



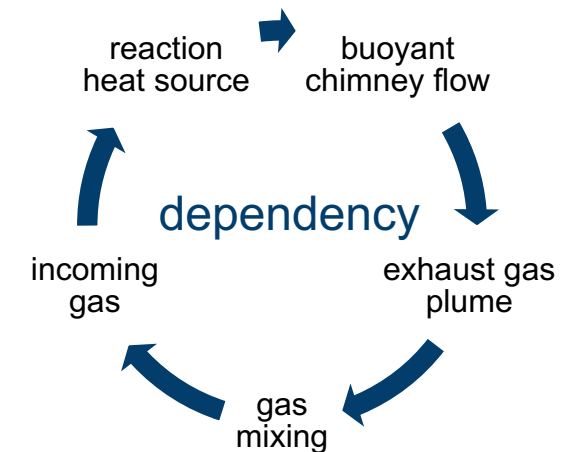
# MODELING TECHNICAL SYSTEMS

## Example - Passive Auto-Catalytic Recombiners

- Flameless exothermal conversion of
  - $H_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \rightarrow H_2O + 242 \text{ kJ} / \text{mol}$
  - $CO + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + 282 \text{ kJ} / \text{mol}$
  - Passive, buoyancy driven flow
- Typically ~ 60 PARs are installed in a large dry PWR
- Importance of CFD for PAR design:
  - Detailed design (catalyst, housing)
  - Placement inside a compartment (hot exhaust plume, stagnant zones)
- Scales:
  - Catalyst surface  $\mu\text{m}$  – catalyst spacing  $\text{cm}$  – PAR size  $\text{m}$
  - Can hardly be resolved in system scale CFD applications




PAR concept and passive operation, own figures



## Passive Auto-Catalytic Recombiners – Porous media

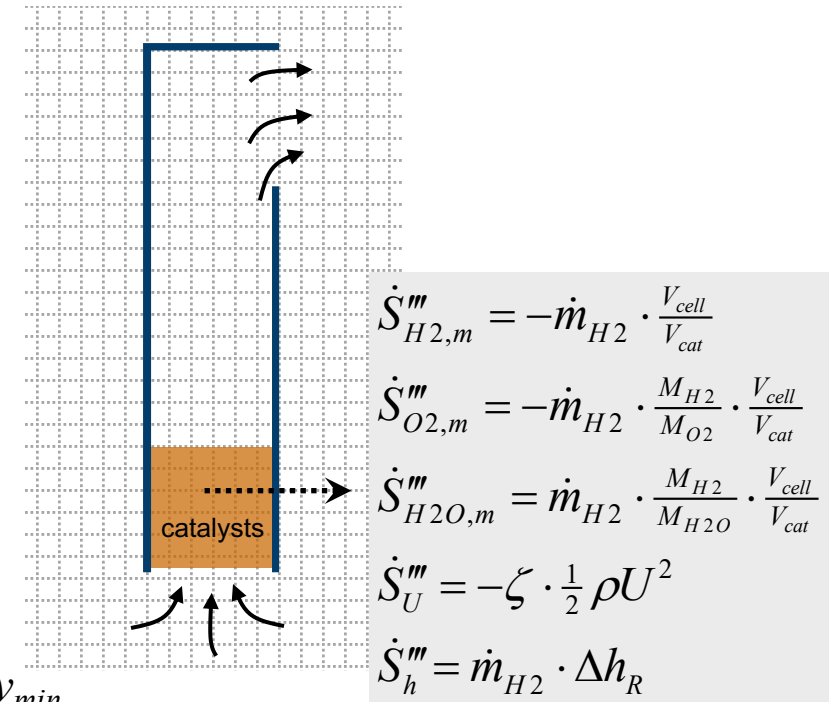
- Option 1: Porous / homogeneous model
  - Momentum loss: porous media approach
  - Reaction heat release: manufacturers correlations, e.g.

$$\dot{m}_{H_2} = \min \left[ v_{H_2} \cdot \frac{2.0 \cdot (v_{O_2}) \cdot (v_{H_2})}{(v_{H_2} + v_{CO})}, 8.0 \cdot \frac{v_{H_2} \cdot (v_{H_2} + 1.75 \cdot v_{CO})}{(v_{H_2} + v_{CO})^2} \right] \cdot (k_1 \cdot p + k_2) \cdot \tanh(v_{H_2} + v_{CO} - v_{min}) \cdot c_1$$

 framatome „Correlations for Hydrogen and Carbon Monoxide Recombination by Framatome Passive Autocatalytic Recombiners”, Technical Report D02-ARV-01-143-222, 2019

- Source and sink terms for change in mixture composition
- Model and user parameters e.g.  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  or min. reactants concentration  $v_{min}$

➤ Straight forward implementation, but limited generality to a vast range of operating conditions or phenomena e.g. poisoning, ignition etc.



# MODELING TECHNICAL SYSTEMS

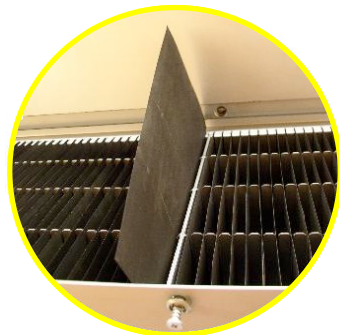
## Passive Auto-Catalytic Recombiners

- Option 2: Code coupling
  - REKODIREKT code for a single PAR of Framatome, AECL (and NIS) type
  - Sub models:
    - Poisoning
    - Start-up
    - Ignition
    - Counter-current flow

PAR



PAR housing / chimney

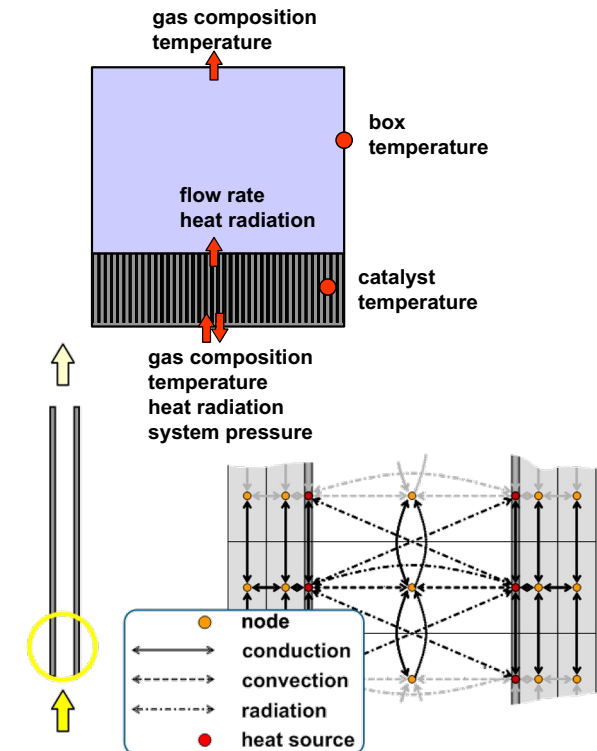


Catalyst section

Phenomena

- Buoyancy driven flow
- Thermal inertia and heat losses to the environment
- Reaction kinetics, incl.  $O_2$  starvation, humidity, parallel CO recombination by transport approach
- Heat distribution, thermal inertia

REKO-DIREKT



Reinecke et al, "Validation and Application of the REKO-DIREKT Code for the Simulation of Passive Autocatalytic Recombiner Operational Behavior", Nuclear Technology 196,2,2016

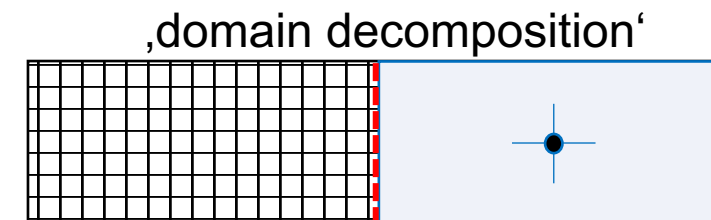
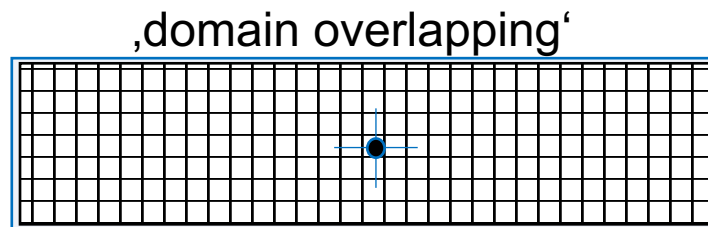
M. Klauck et al., "Effect of PAR deactivation by carbon monoxide in the late phase of a severe accident" Annals of Nuclear Energy 151 (2021) 107887

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## Passive Auto-Catalytic Recombiners

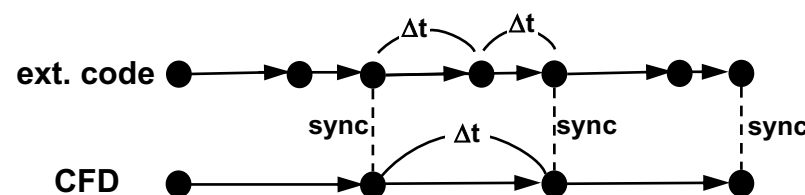
- Option 2: Code coupling

- Spatial coupling:



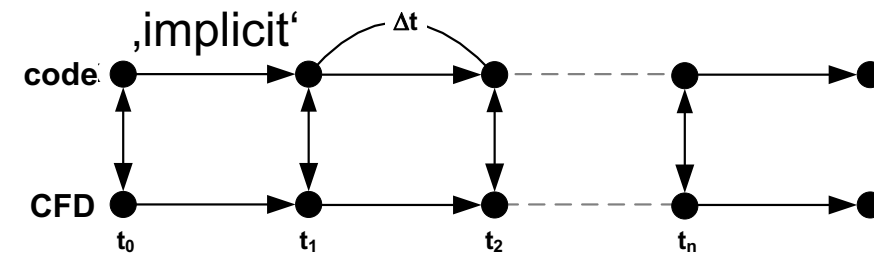
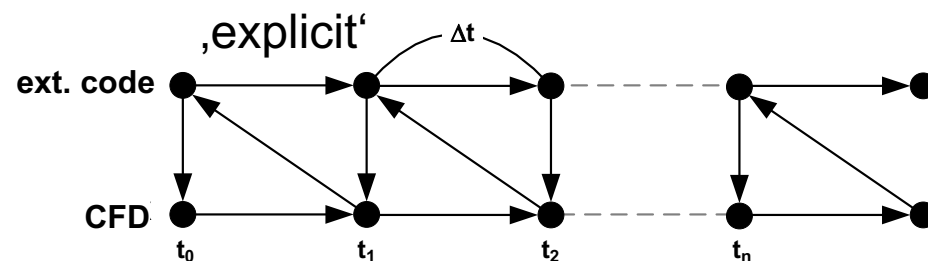
- Transient coupling:

- Subcycling/  
Synchronization:



Long et al. *Review of researches on coupled system and CFD codes*, Nuclear Engineering and Technology 53 (2021) 2775-2787

- Coupling scheme:



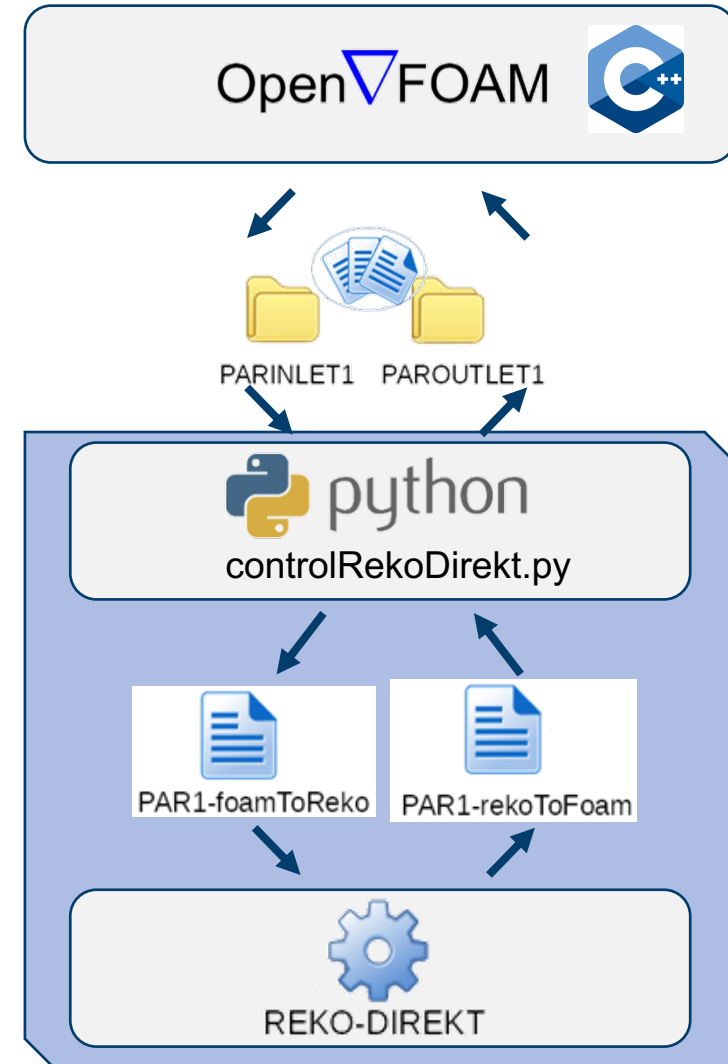
RD-CFX: Explicit coupling scheme

➤ Approach depends on physics, their individual time scales and possible constraints of the external code

# MODELING TECHNICAL SYSTEMS

## Example – containmentFOAM –REKODIREKT Coupling

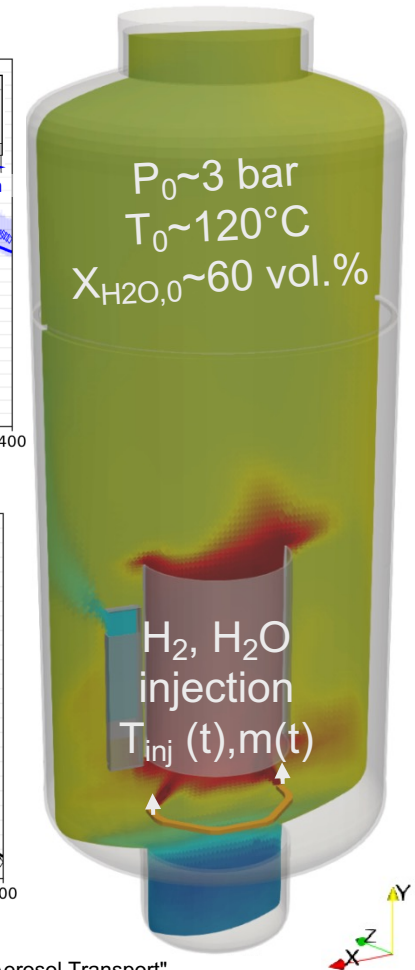
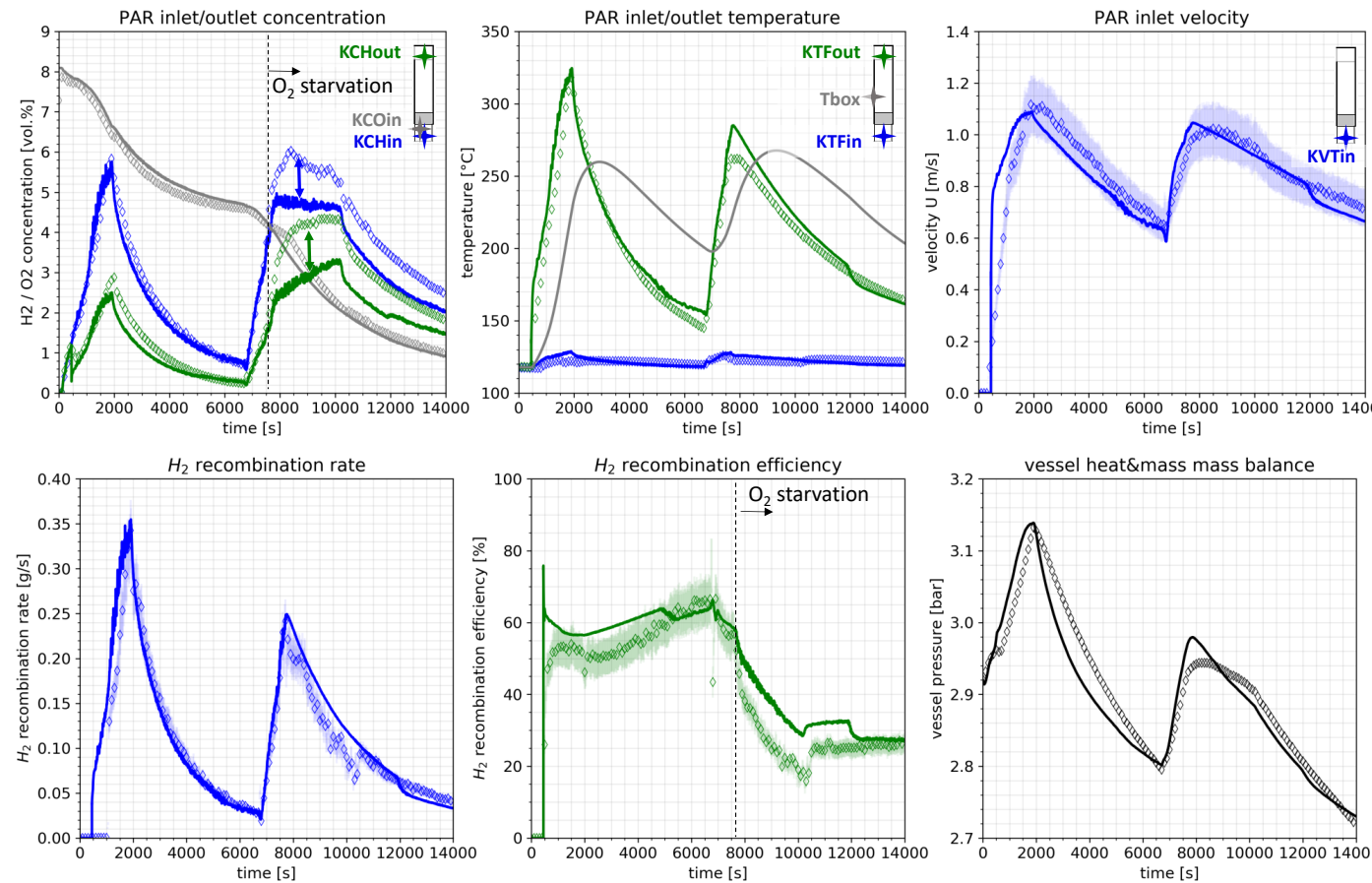
- Option 2: Code coupling
  - Data logistics
    - Initialization of RD
    - Intermediate RD data storage
    - Convert data between OF (fields) and RD (scalars)
    - Organize data for arbitrary PAR types and numbers
    - Log-files / output
    - Backup & Restart



## Passive Auto-Catalytic Recombiners

- Model validation:
  - OECD/NEA THAI HR12:
    - Transient O<sub>2</sub> starvation
    - Wall condensation
    - Thermal stratification
    - Gas radiation

➤ Mechanistic approach reveals predictive capabilities for relevant conditions



Kelm, S. et al. "The Tailored CFD Package 'containmentFOAM' for Analysis of Containment Atmosphere Mixing, H<sub>2</sub>/CO Mitigation and Aerosol Transport" *Fluids* (2021) 6, no. 3: 100. <https://doi.org/10.3390/fluids6030100>

## ■ How to use it

### system/controlDict

```
type          externalCoupled;
log           false;
commsDir      "comms";
initByExternal no;
calcFrequency 1;
stateEnd      remove;
regions {
  "region0" {
    PARINLET1 {
      readFields (U);
      writeFields (T O2 N2 H2O CO2 H2 CO p fog);
    }
    PAROUTLET1 {
      readFields (T U O2 N2 H2O CO2 H2 CO);
      writeFields ();
    }
  }
}
```

← location of I/O exchange with ext. program

← number of time steps per ext. program call

← name of region

← name of coupling interface1

← list of fields to read from ext. program

← list of fields to write from OpenFOAM

← name of coupling interface2

← list of fields to read from ext. program

← list of fields to write from OpenFOAM

- BC to update must be of specific type (`fixedValue`, `externalCoupledflowRateInletVelocity`)

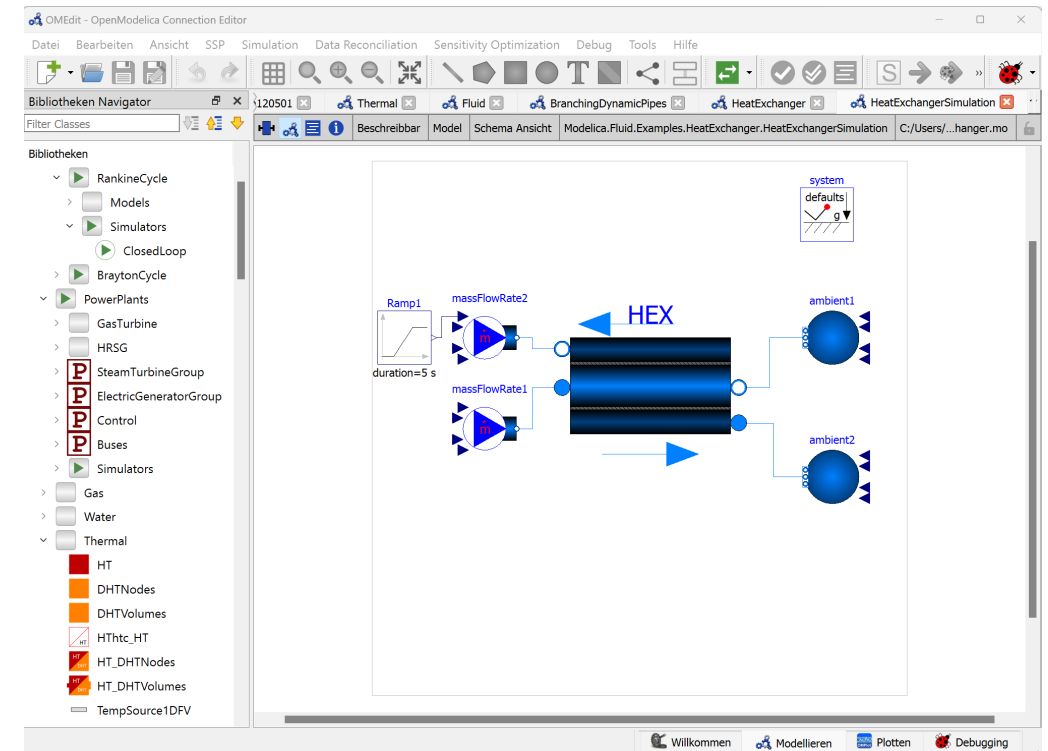
# MODELING TECHNICAL SYSTEMS

## System modeling

### ■ Coupling containment with **OpenModelica**

#### • Modelica:

- A modelling language designed for the study of engineering system dynamics
- equation-based, modelling (DAE systems) in terms of physical/engineering principles (mass, energy and momentum balance + constitutive equation + constraints)
- enables packaging and exporting Modelica system models as an executable simulator (Functional Mockup Units 'FMU') in accordance with the Functional Mock-up Interface 2.0 (FMI2) standard



<https://openmodelica.org/>

 P. Fritzson et al., "The OpenModelica Integrated Environment for Modeling, Simulation, and Model-Based Development," Modeling, Identification and Control: A Norwegian Research Bulletin, vol. 41, no. 4, pp. 241–295, 2020.

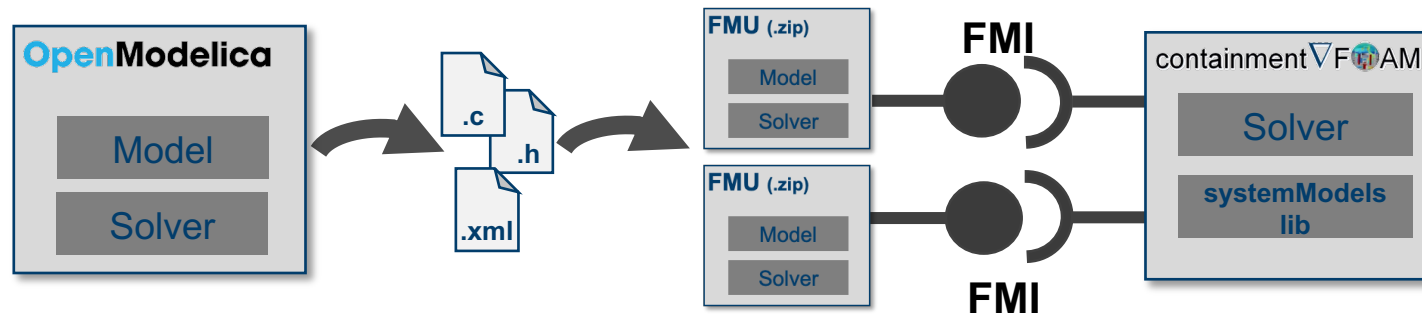
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# MODELING TECHNICAL SYSTEMS

## System modeling

- Coupling containment  $\nabla$ FOAM with **OpenModelica**
  - Packaging FMU's for co-simulation via FMI (<https://github.com/modelon-community/fmi-library>)



- generally, any program can be packaged into FMU's and provided for co-simulation (e.g., REKODIREKT)
- `systemModels` library:
  - C++ - implementation of FMU4FOAM functionality (<https://pypi.org/project/FMU4FOAM>) in containment  $\nabla$ FOAM
  - Explicit and semi-implicit coupling schemes incl. sub cycling of FMU
  - Restarts

<https://fmi-standard.org/>  
<https://www.samares-engineering.com/en/2021/01/21/part-9-co-simulation-of-sysml-and-other-models-through-fmi/>

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## System modeling

### ■ Coupling containment with **OpenModelica**

- Example: (simplified) Pressure Suppression System

K. Sturm, *Development of a coupling scheme for Modelica and OpenFOAM to simulate the pressure suppression system of a SMR*, RWTH Aachen Aug. 2023

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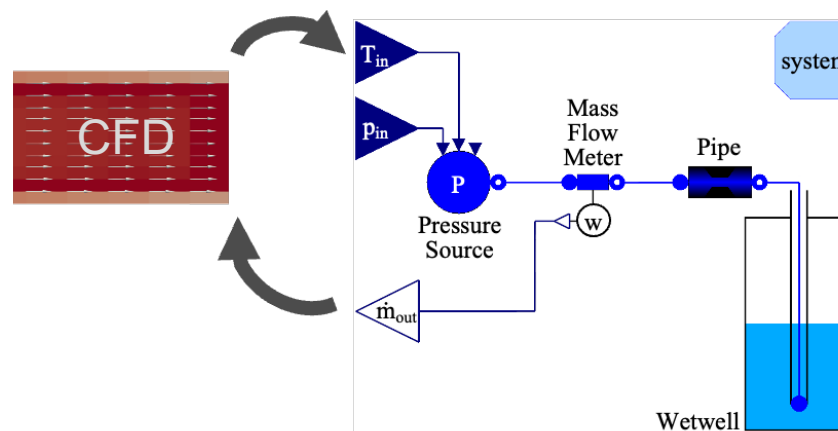
coupling true;
scheme explicit; // explicit, implicit
algorithm none; // none, Aitken, Quasi-Newton

FMU {
  pss0 {
    name PSS;
    path "$FOAM_USER_LIBBIN/FMUs/PressureSuppression";
    log (
      p_in
      T_in
      w_out
      wetWell1.p_i
      wetWell1.T_w );
  }
}

boundary {
  OUT {
    pressure {
      projection maxValue;
      direction output;
      extVar p_in;
      fmu pss0;
    }
  }
}

massflow {
  projection integral;
  direction input;
  extVar w_out;
  fmu pss0;
}

```



```

protected equation
// Water and air volumes
V_w = A_c*l_w;
V_g = A_c*(l_t - l_w);
Q_w_g = d(pna_A_c*(Medium.temperature(waterState) - T_g));

// Blowdown pipe boundary conditions
h_w_in = homotopy(if not allowFlowReversal then inStream(BlowdownPipe.h_outflow)
  else if w_w_in >= 0 then inStream(BlowdownPipe.h_outflow) else h_w, inStream(
  BlowdownPipe.h_outflow));
BlowdownPipe.h_outflow = h_w;
w_w_in = BlowdownPipe.m_flow;
BlowdownPipe.p = p_i;

// Water mass and energy balance
rho_w*c*der(l_w) = w_w_in "Water mass balance";
rho_w*c*der(T_w) = w_w_in*(T_w_in - T_w) "Water energy balance";

// Water properties
waterState = Medium.state(p_w, T_w);
rho_w = Medium.density(waterState);
T_w = Medium.temperature(waterState);

// Water pressure of lumped volume and at blowdown pipe outlet
p_w = p_g + 0.5 * l_w * rho_w * g;
p_i = p_w + (0.5*l_w - l_i) * rho_w * g;

// Air EOS
p_g = rho_g*Rstar*T_g "Air state equation";
m_g = V_g*rho_g "Air mass";
der(m_g) = 0 "Air mass balance";
rho_g*V_g*cp_g*der(T_g) = V_g*der(p_g) + Q_w_g "Air energy balance";

initial equation
if initOpt == Choices.Init.Options.fixedState then
  h_w = h_w_start;
  p_g = p_g_start;
  rho_g = p_g_start/MM/(R*T_g_start);
else
  assert(false, "Unsupported initialisation option");
end if;

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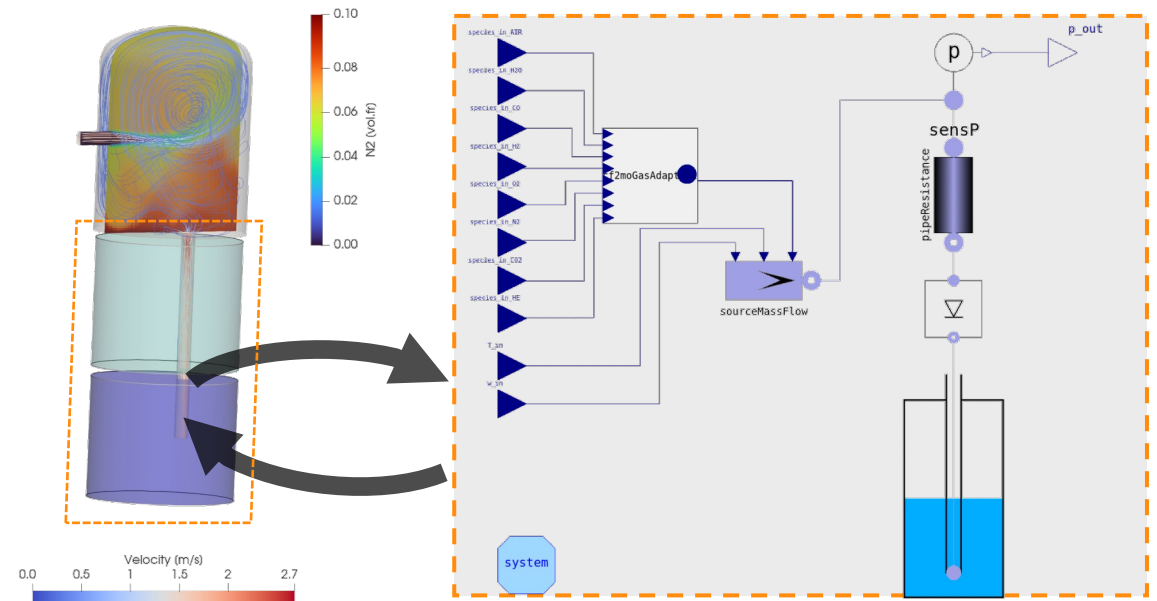
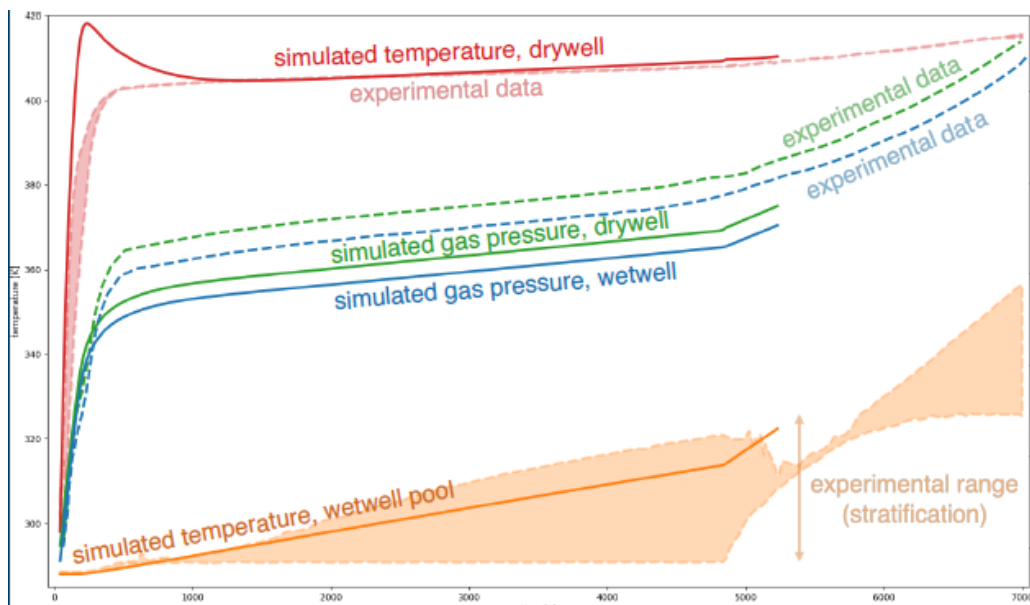
# PERSPECTIVES

## SMR Applications - System modeling

### ▪ Coupling containment $\nabla$ FOAM with **OpenModelica**



- Example: PPOOLEX mix05

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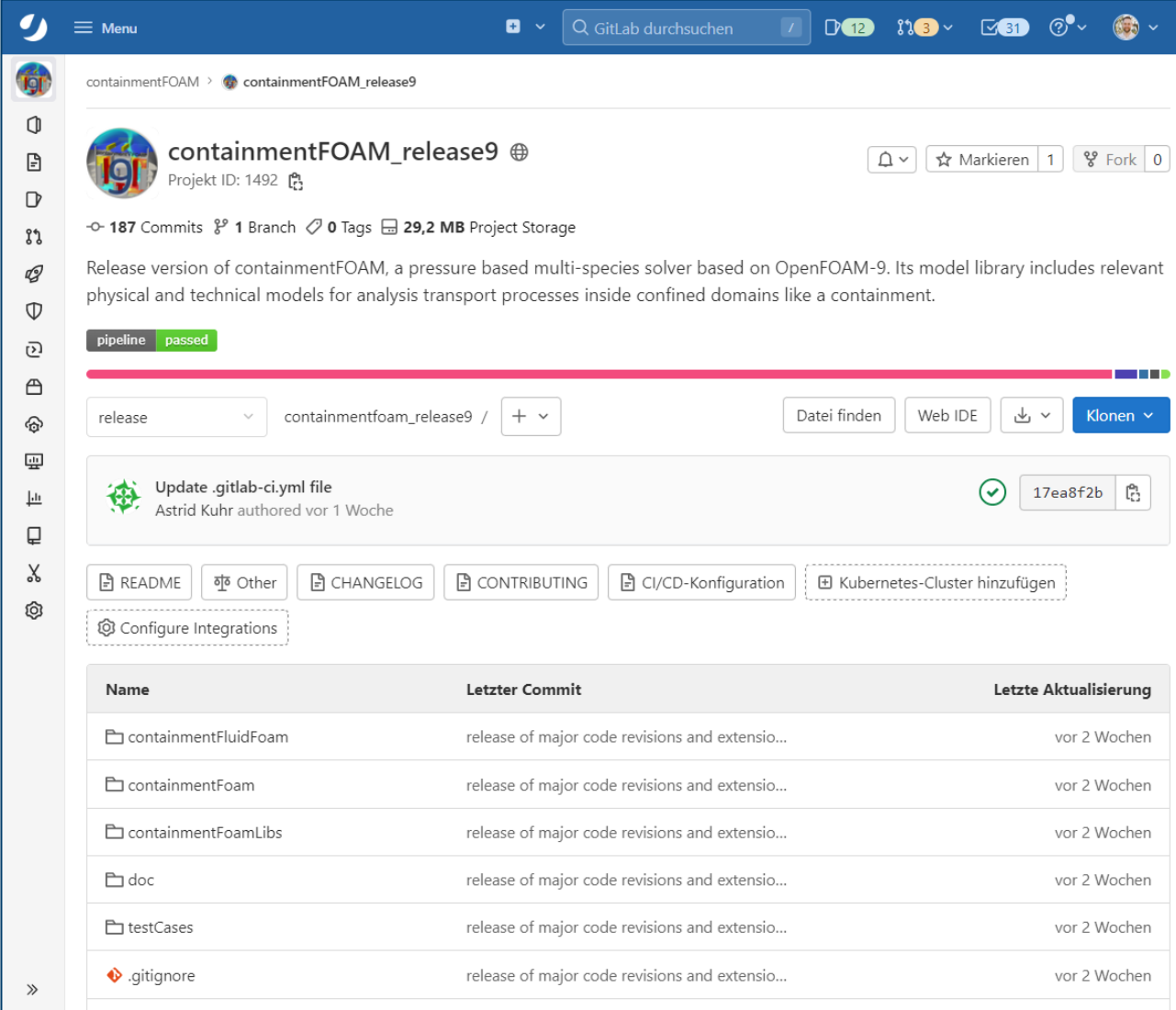
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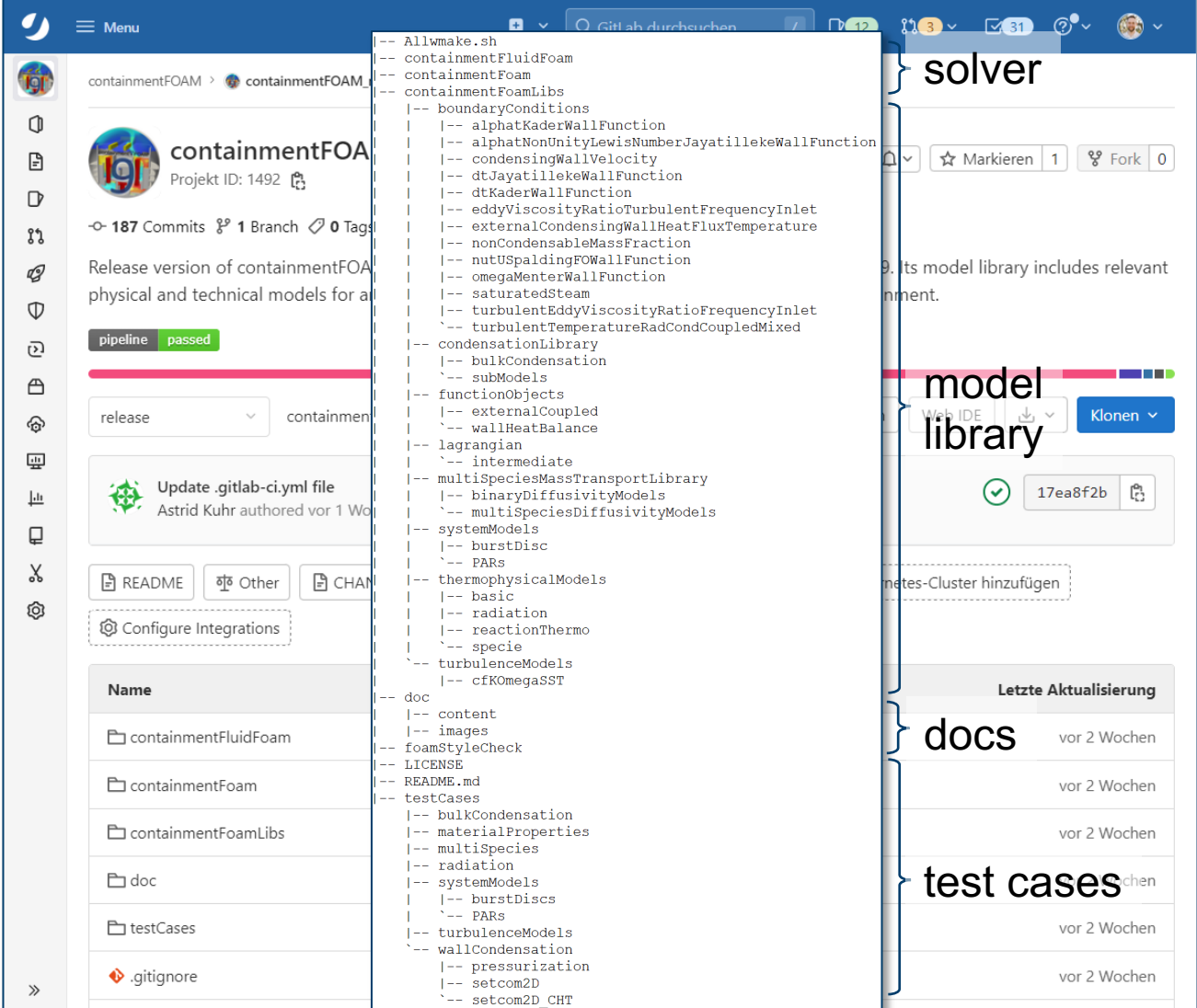
The screenshot shows the GitLab web interface for the repository 'containmentFOAM\_release9'. The page includes a navigation sidebar, a search bar, and a header with the repository name and project ID (1492). It displays statistics such as 187 commits, 1 branch, and 0 tags. A description of the release version is provided, along with a 'pipeline passed' status. Below this, there are buttons for 'Datei finden', 'Web IDE', and 'Klonen'. A recent commit by Astrid Kuhr is highlighted, and a list of repository files is shown at the bottom.

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containmentFoamLibs	release of major code revisions and extensio...	vor 2 Wochen
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.gitignore	release of major code revisions and extensio...	vor 2 Wochen

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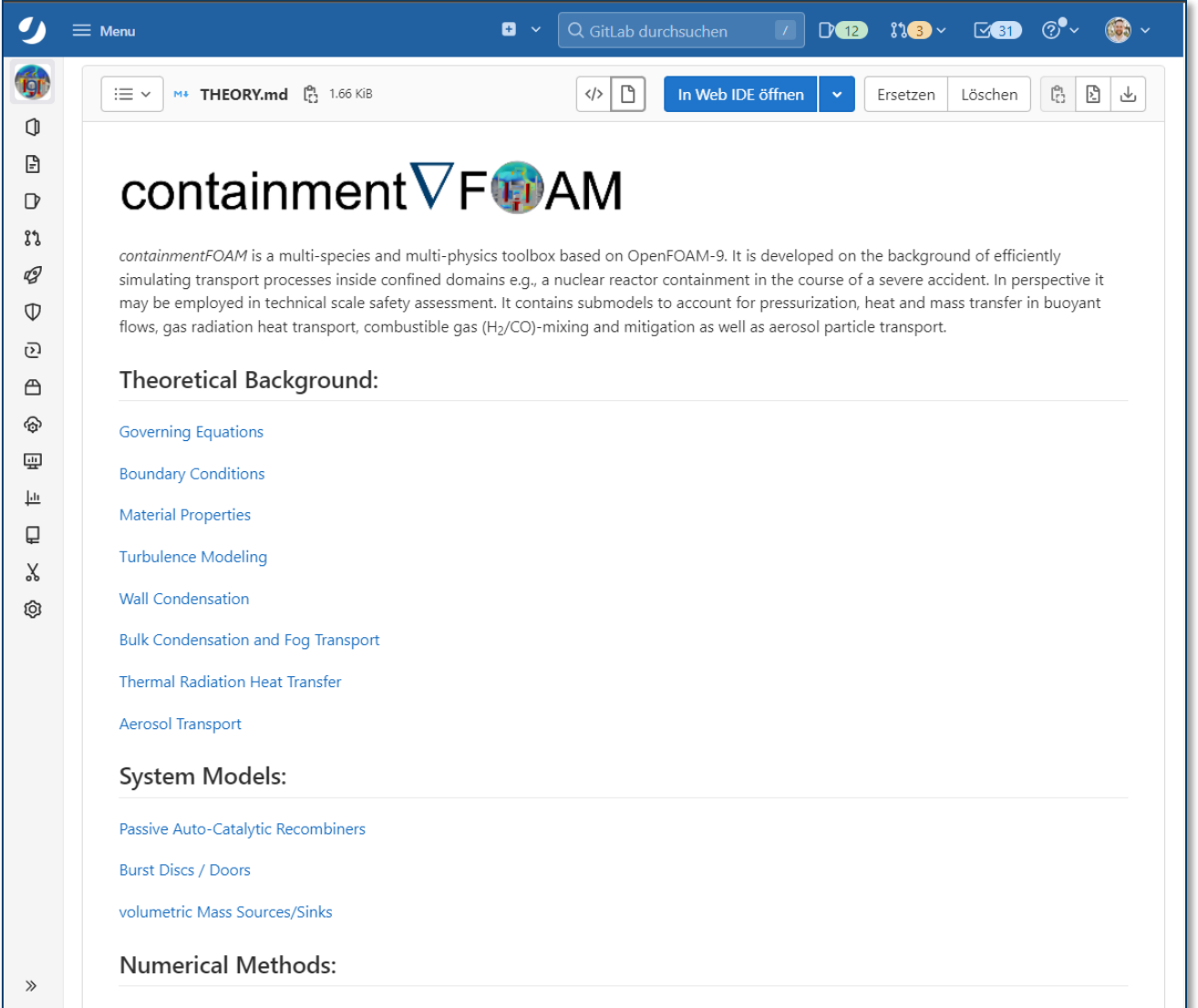


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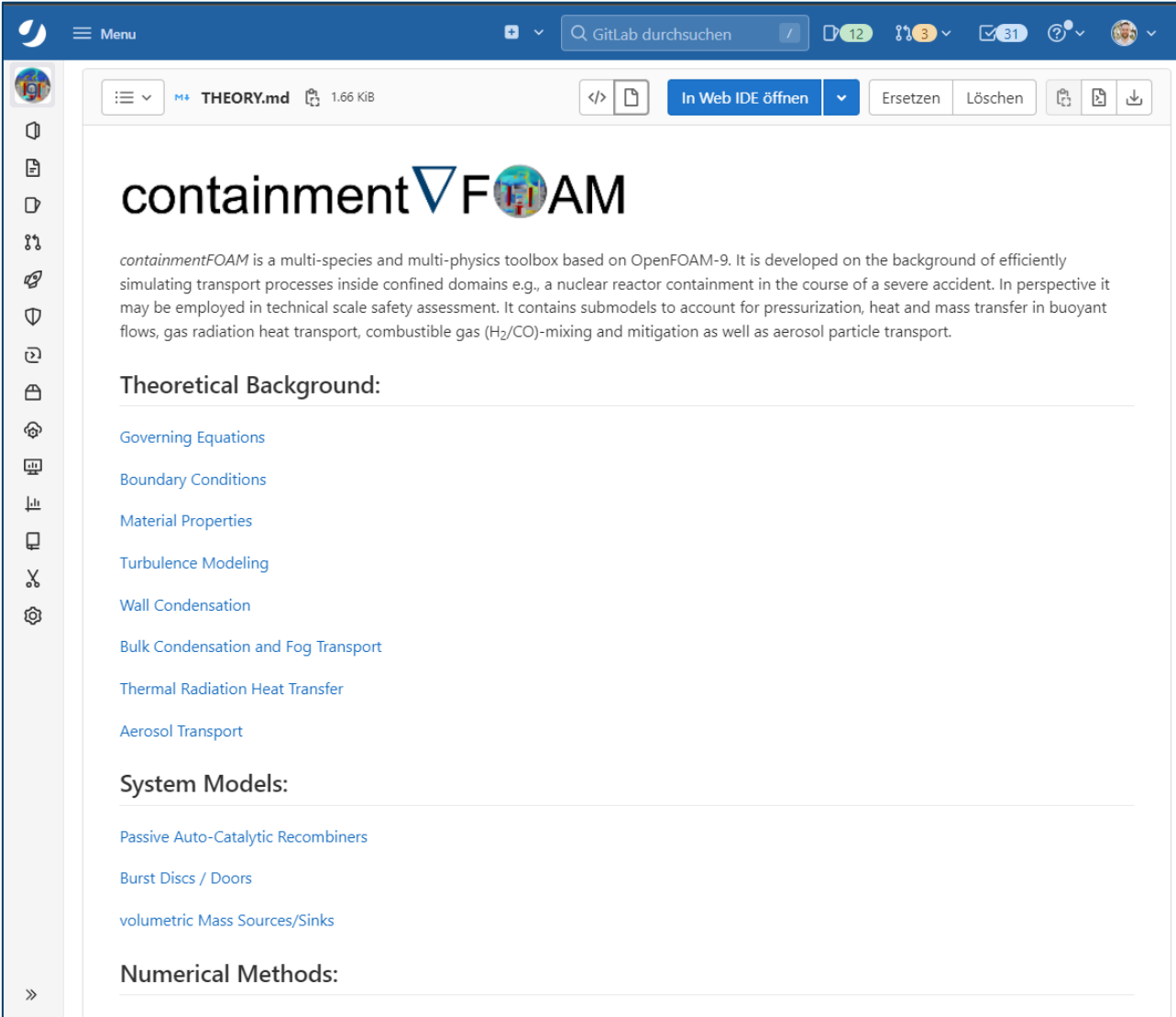
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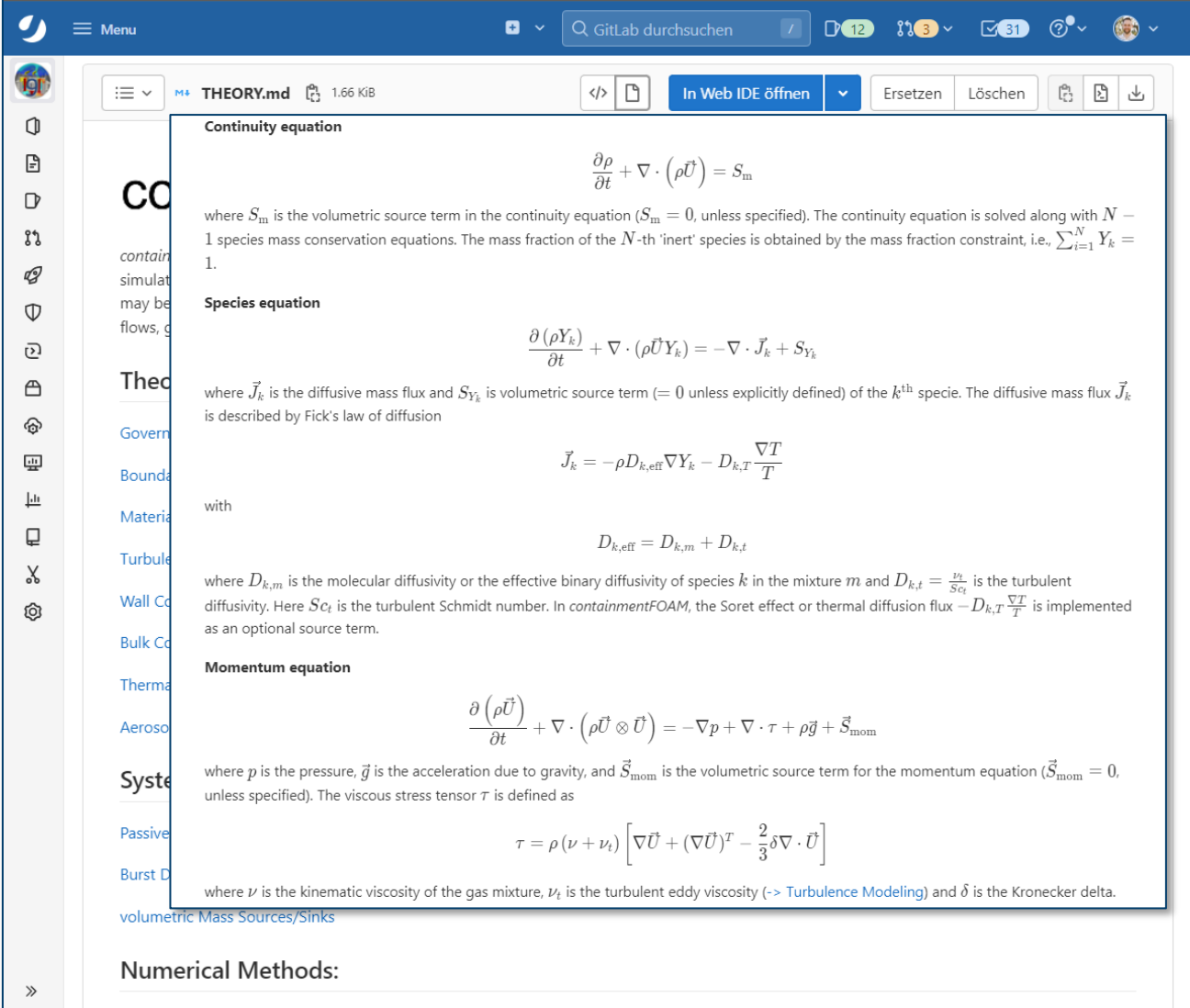
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**Continuity equation**

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U}) = S_m$$

where  $S_m$  is the volumetric source term in the continuity equation ( $S_m = 0$ , unless specified). The continuity equation is solved along with  $N - 1$  species mass conservation equations. The mass fraction of the  $N$ -th 'inert' species is obtained by the mass fraction constraint, i.e.,  $\sum_{i=1}^N Y_k = 1$ .

**Species equation**

$$\frac{\partial (\rho Y_k)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} Y_k) = -\nabla \cdot \vec{J}_k + S_{Y_k}$$

where  $\vec{J}_k$  is the diffusive mass flux and  $S_{Y_k}$  is volumetric source term ( $= 0$  unless explicitly defined) of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  specie. The diffusive mass flux  $\vec{J}_k$  is described by Fick's law of diffusion

$$\vec{J}_k = -\rho D_{k,\text{eff}} \nabla Y_k - D_{k,T} \frac{\nabla T}{T}$$

with

$$D_{k,\text{eff}} = D_{k,m} + D_{k,t}$$

where  $D_{k,m}$  is the molecular diffusivity or the effective binary diffusivity of species  $k$  in the mixture  $m$  and  $D_{k,t} = \frac{\nu_t}{Sc_t}$  is the turbulent diffusivity. Here  $Sc_t$  is the turbulent Schmidt number. In *containmentFOAM*, the Soret effect or thermal diffusion flux  $-D_{k,T} \frac{\nabla T}{T}$  is implemented as an optional source term.

**Momentum equation**

$$\frac{\partial (\rho \vec{U})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} \otimes \vec{U}) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \tau + \rho \vec{g} + \vec{S}_{\text{mom}}$$


where  $p$  is the pressure,  $\vec{g}$  is the acceleration due to gravity, and  $\vec{S}_{\text{mom}}$  is the volumetric source term for the momentum equation ( $\vec{S}_{\text{mom}} = 0$ , unless specified). The viscous stress tensor  $\tau$  is defined as

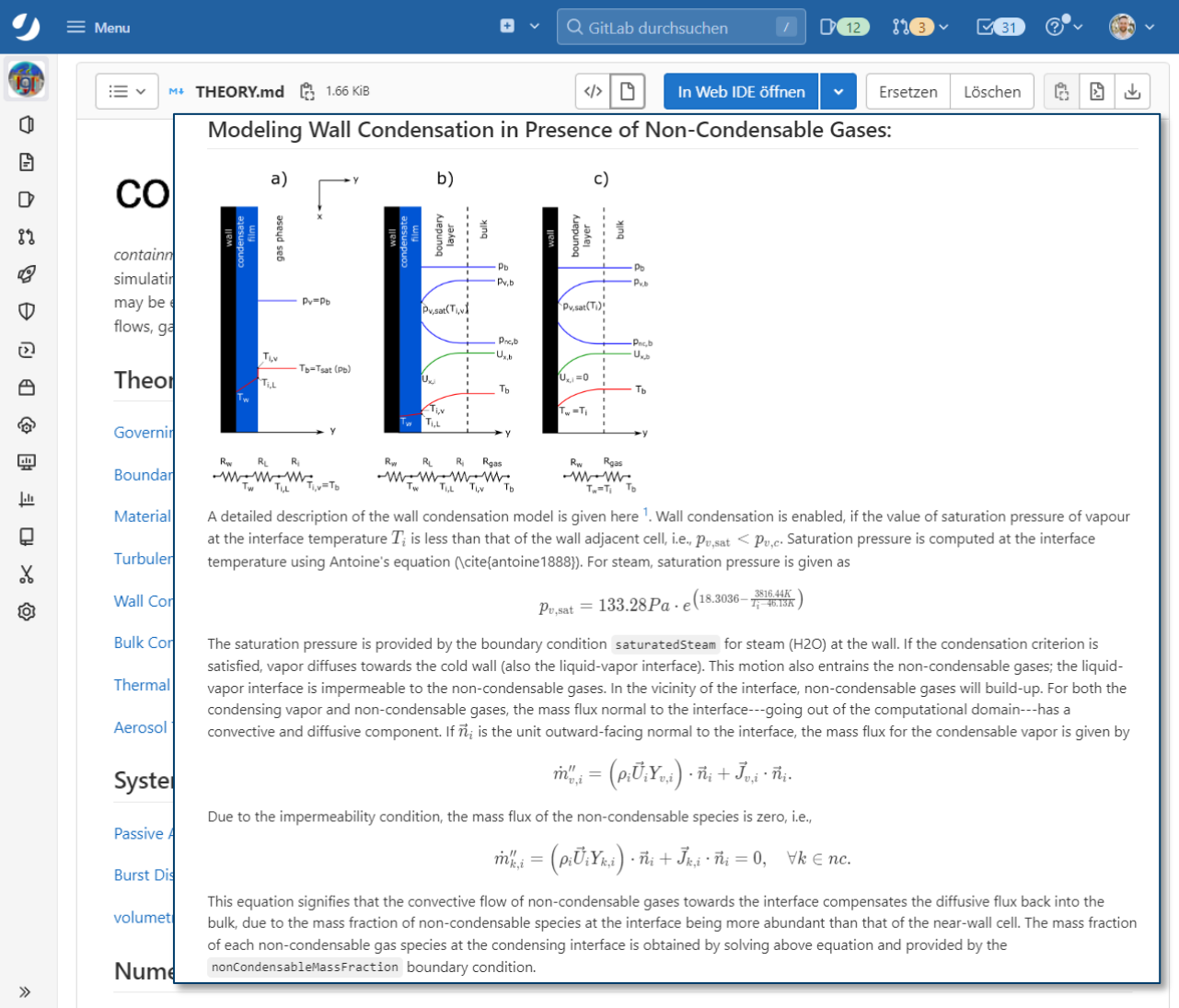
$$\tau = \rho (\nu + \nu_t) \left[ \nabla \vec{U} + (\nabla \vec{U})^T - \frac{2}{3} \delta \nabla \cdot \vec{U} \right]$$

where  $\nu$  is the kinematic viscosity of the gas mixture,  $\nu_t$  is the turbulent eddy viscosity (-> [Turbulence Modeling](#)) and  $\delta$  is the Kronecker delta.

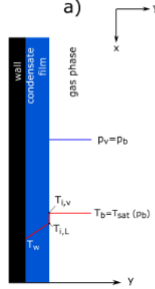
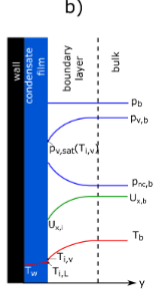
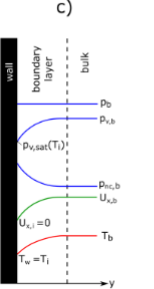
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**Modeling Wall Condensation in Presence of Non-Condensable Gases:**

a)  b)  c) 

A detailed description of the wall condensation model is given here <sup>1</sup>. Wall condensation is enabled, if the value of saturation pressure of vapour at the interface temperature  $T_i$  is less than that of the wall adjacent cell, i.e.,  $p_{v,\text{sat}} < p_{v,c}$ . Saturation pressure is computed at the interface temperature using Antoine's equation (`\cite{antoine1888}`). For steam, saturation pressure is given as

$$p_{v,\text{sat}} = 133.28 \text{ Pa} \cdot e^{\left(18.3036 - \frac{3816.44 \text{ K}}{T_i - 46.13 \text{ K}}\right)}$$

The saturation pressure is provided by the boundary condition `saturatedSteam` for steam (H2O) at the wall. If the condensation criterion is satisfied, vapor diffuses towards the cold wall (also the liquid-vapor interface). This motion also entrains the non-condensable gases; the liquid-vapor interface is impermeable to the non-condensable gases. In the vicinity of the interface, non-condensable gases will build-up. For both the condensing vapor and non-condensable gases, the mass flux normal to the interface---going out of the computational domain---has a convective and diffusive component. If  $\vec{n}_i$  is the unit outward-facing normal to the interface, the mass flux for the condensable vapor is given by

$$\dot{m}''_{v,i} = \left(\rho_i \vec{U}_i Y_{v,i}\right) \cdot \vec{n}_i + \vec{J}_{v,i} \cdot \vec{n}_i.$$


Due to the impermeability condition, the mass flux of the non-condensable species is zero, i.e.,

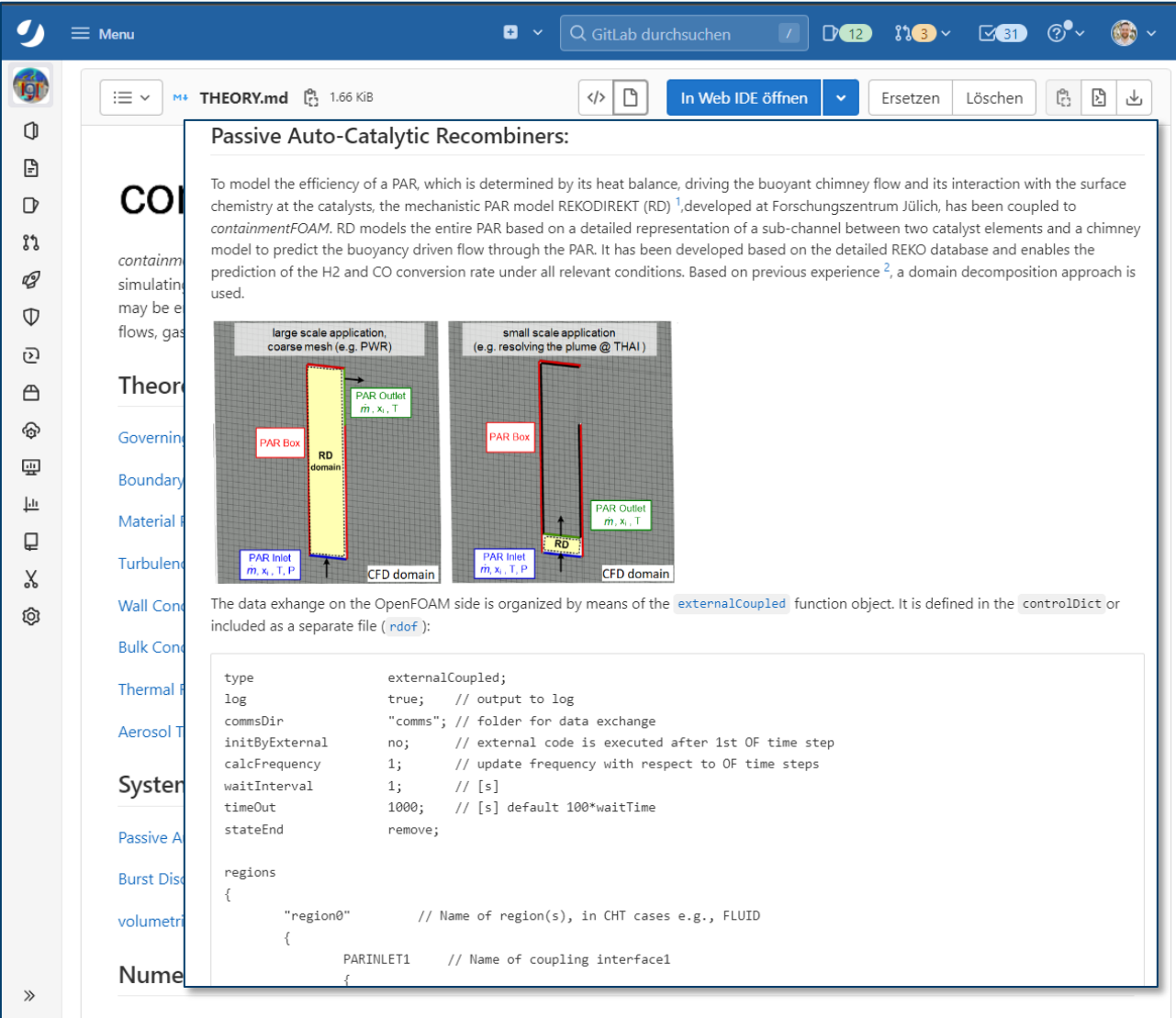
$$\dot{m}''_{k,i} = \left(\rho_i \vec{U}_i Y_{k,i}\right) \cdot \vec{n}_i + \vec{J}_{k,i} \cdot \vec{n}_i = 0, \quad \forall k \in nc.$$

This equation signifies that the convective flow of non-condensable gases towards the interface compensates the diffusive flux back into the bulk, due to the mass fraction of non-condensable species at the interface being more abundant than that of the near-wall cell. The mass fraction of each non-condensable gas species at the condensing interface is obtained by solving above equation and provided by the `nonCondensableMassFraction` boundary condition.

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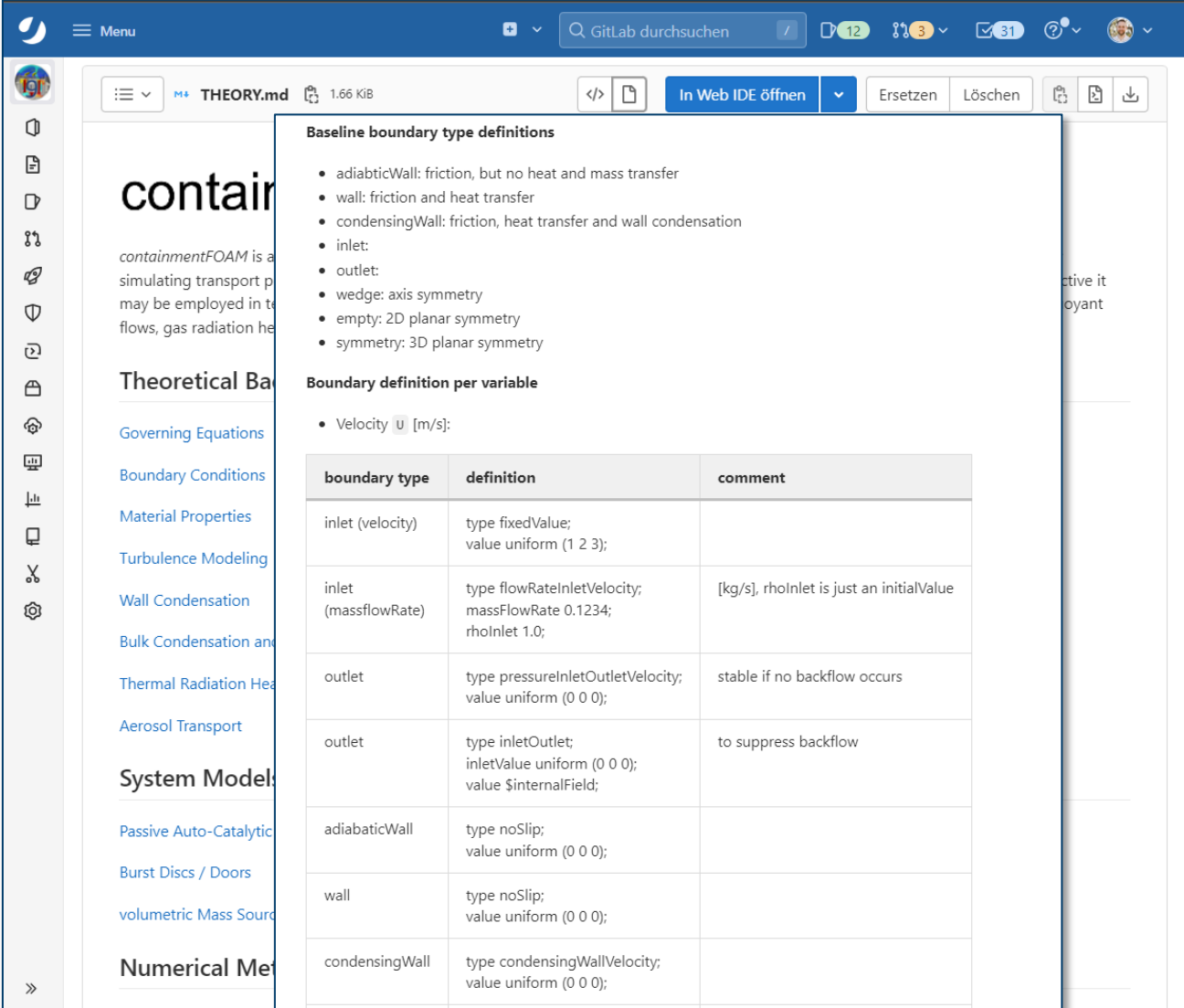
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type          externalCoupled;
log            true; // output to log
commsDir      "comms"; // folder for data exchange
initByExternal no; // external code is executed after 1st OF time step
calcFrequency 1; // update frequency with respect to OF time steps
waitInterval  1; // [s]
timeOut       1000; // [s] default 100*waitTime
stateEnd      remove;

regions
{
    "region0" // Name of region(s), in CHT cases e.g., FLUID
    {
        PARINLET1 // Name of coupling interface1
    }
}
```

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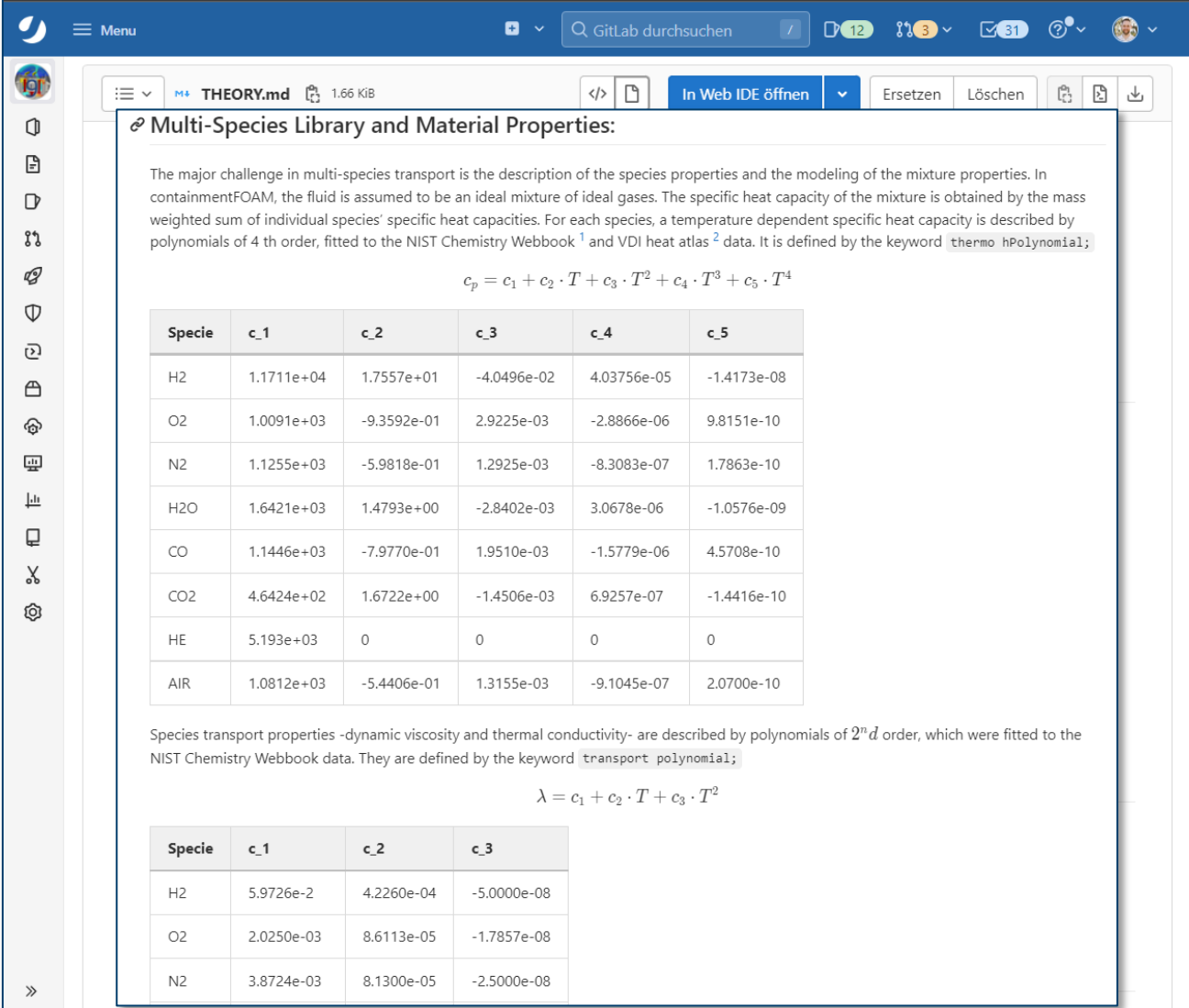


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boundary type	definition	comment
inlet (velocity)	type fixedValue; value uniform (1 2 3);	
inlet (massflowRate)	type flowRateInletVelocity; massFlowRate 0.1234; rhoInlet 1.0;	[kg/s], rhoInlet is just an initialValue
outlet	type pressureInletOutletVelocity; value uniform (0 0 0);	stable if no backflow occurs
outlet	type inletOutlet; inletValue uniform (0 0 0); value \$internalField;	to suppress backflow
adiabaticWall	type noSlip; value uniform (0 0 0);	
wall	type noSlip; value uniform (0 0 0);	
condensingWall	type condensingWallVelocity; value uniform (0 0 0);	

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**Multi-Species Library and Material Properties:**

The major challenge in multi-species transport is the description of the species properties and the modeling of the mixture properties. In containmentFOAM, the fluid is assumed to be an ideal mixture of ideal gases. The specific heat capacity of the mixture is obtained by the mass weighted sum of individual species' specific heat capacities. For each species, a temperature dependent specific heat capacity is described by polynomials of 4 th order, fitted to the NIST Chemistry Webbook <sup>1</sup> and VDI heat atlas <sup>2</sup> data. It is defined by the keyword `thermo hPolynomial;`

$$c_p = c_1 + c_2 \cdot T + c_3 \cdot T^2 + c_4 \cdot T^3 + c_5 \cdot T^4$$


Specie	c_1	c_2	c_3	c_4	c_5
H2	1.1711e+04	1.7557e+01	-4.0496e-02	4.03756e-05	-1.4173e-08
O2	1.0091e+03	-9.3592e-01	2.9225e-03	-2.8866e-06	9.8151e-10
N2	1.1255e+03	-5.9818e-01	1.2925e-03	-8.3083e-07	1.7863e-10
H2O	1.6421e+03	1.4793e+00	-2.8402e-03	3.0678e-06	-1.0576e-09
CO	1.1446e+03	-7.9770e-01	1.9510e-03	-1.5779e-06	4.5708e-10
CO2	4.6424e+02	1.6722e+00	-1.4506e-03	6.9257e-07	-1.4416e-10
HE	5.193e+03	0	0	0	0
AIR	1.0812e+03	-5.4406e-01	1.3155e-03	-9.1045e-07	2.0700e-10

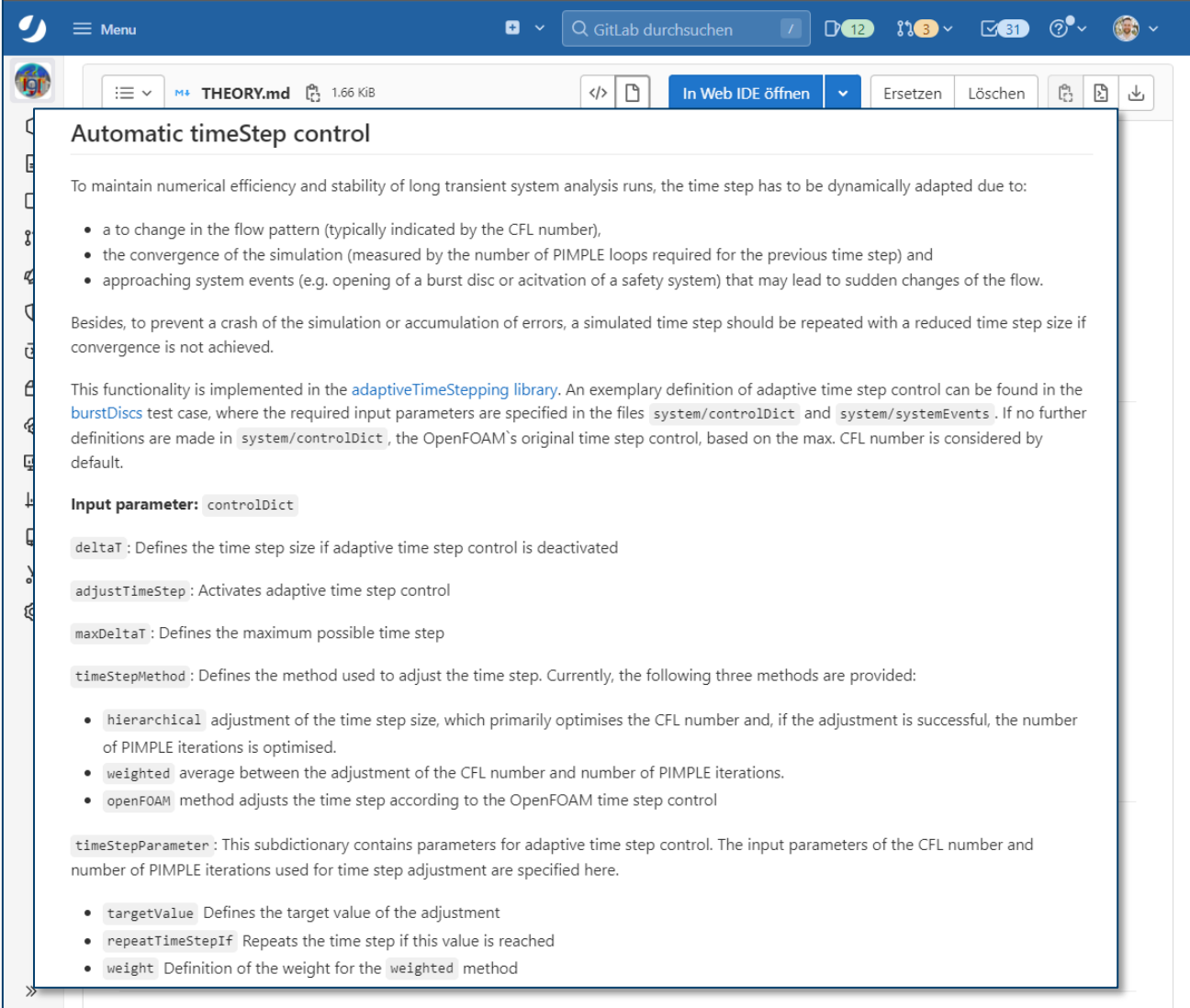
Species transport properties -dynamic viscosity and thermal conductivity- are described by polynomials of  $2^{nd}$  order, which were fitted to the NIST Chemistry Webbook data. They are defined by the keyword `transport polynomial;`

$$\lambda = c_1 + c_2 \cdot T + c_3 \cdot T^2$$

Specie	c_1	c_2	c_3
H2	5.9726e-2	4.2260e-04	-5.0000e-08
O2	2.0250e-03	8.6113e-05	-1.7857e-08
N2	3.8724e-03	8.1300e-05	-2.5000e-08

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Automatic timeStep control

To maintain numerical efficiency and stability of long transient system analysis runs, the time step has to be dynamically adapted due to:



- a to change in the flow pattern (typically indicated by the CFL number),
- the convergence of the simulation (measured by the number of PIMPLE loops required for the previous time step) and
- approaching system events (e.g. opening of a burst disc or activation of a safety system) that may lead to sudden changes of the flow.



Besides, to prevent a crash of the simulation or accumulation of errors, a simulated time step should be repeated with a reduced time step size if convergence is not achieved.

This functionality is implemented in the adaptiveTimeStepping library. An exemplary definition of adaptive time step control can be found in the burstDiscs test case, where the required input parameters are specified in the files system/controlDict and system/systemEvents. If no further definitions are made in system/controlDict, the OpenFOAM's original time step control, based on the max. CFL number is considered by default.

Input parameter: controlDict

deltaT: Defines the time step size if adaptive time step control is deactivated

adjustTimeStep: Activates adaptive time step control

maxDeltaT: Defines the maximum possible time step

timeStepMethod: Defines the method used to adjust the time step. Currently, the following three methods are provided:



- hierarchical adjustment of the time step size, which primarily optimises the CFL number and, if the adjustment is successful, the number of PIMPLE iterations is optimised.
- weighted average between the adjustment of the CFL number and number of PIMPLE iterations.
- openFOAM method adjusts the time step according to the OpenFOAM time step control

timeStepParameter: This subdictionary contains parameters for adaptive time step control. The input parameters of the CFL number and number of PIMPLE iterations used for time step adjustment are specified here.




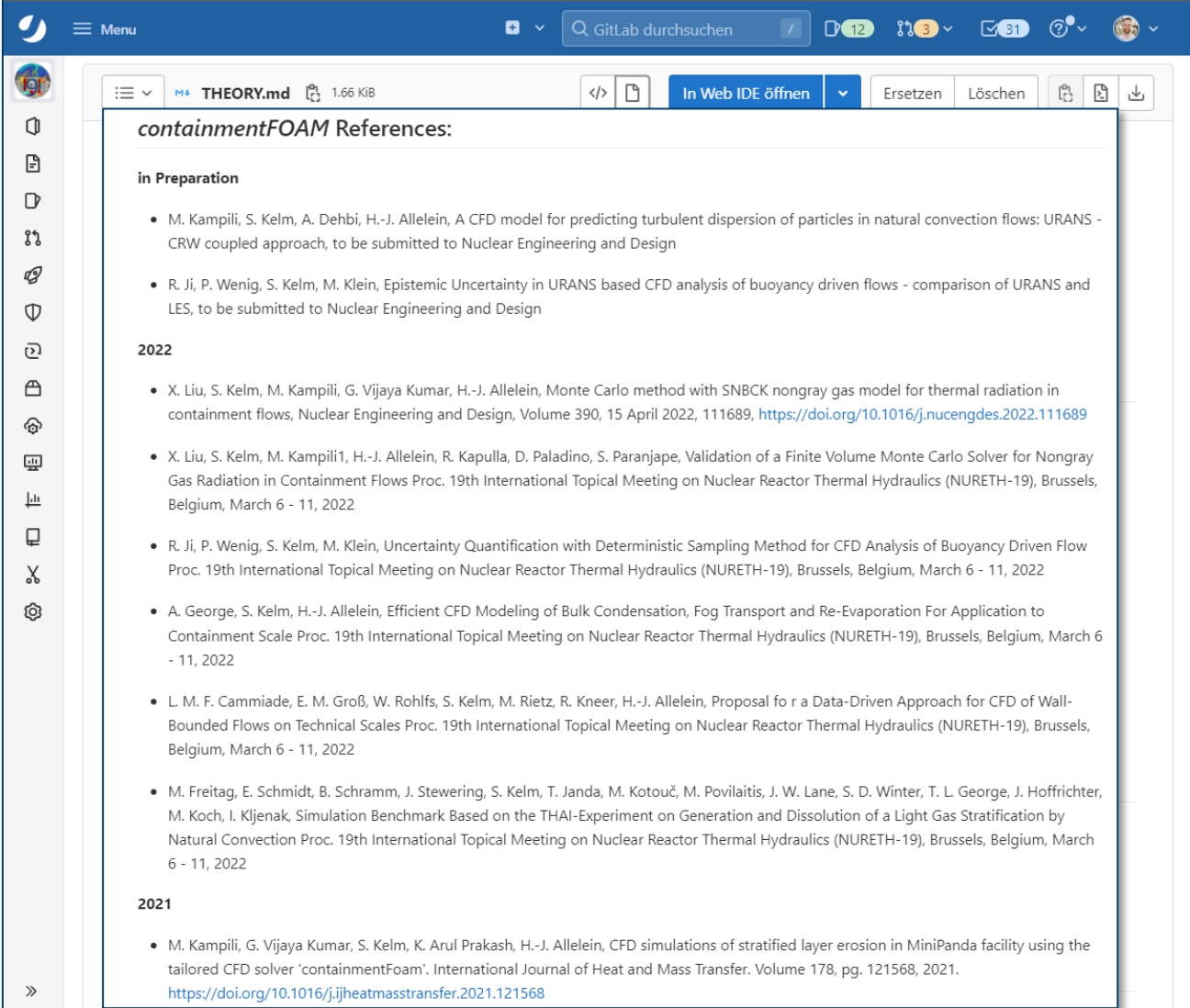
- targetValue Defines the target value of the adjustment
- repeatTimeStepIf Repeats the time step if this value is reached
- weight Definition of the weight for the weighted method

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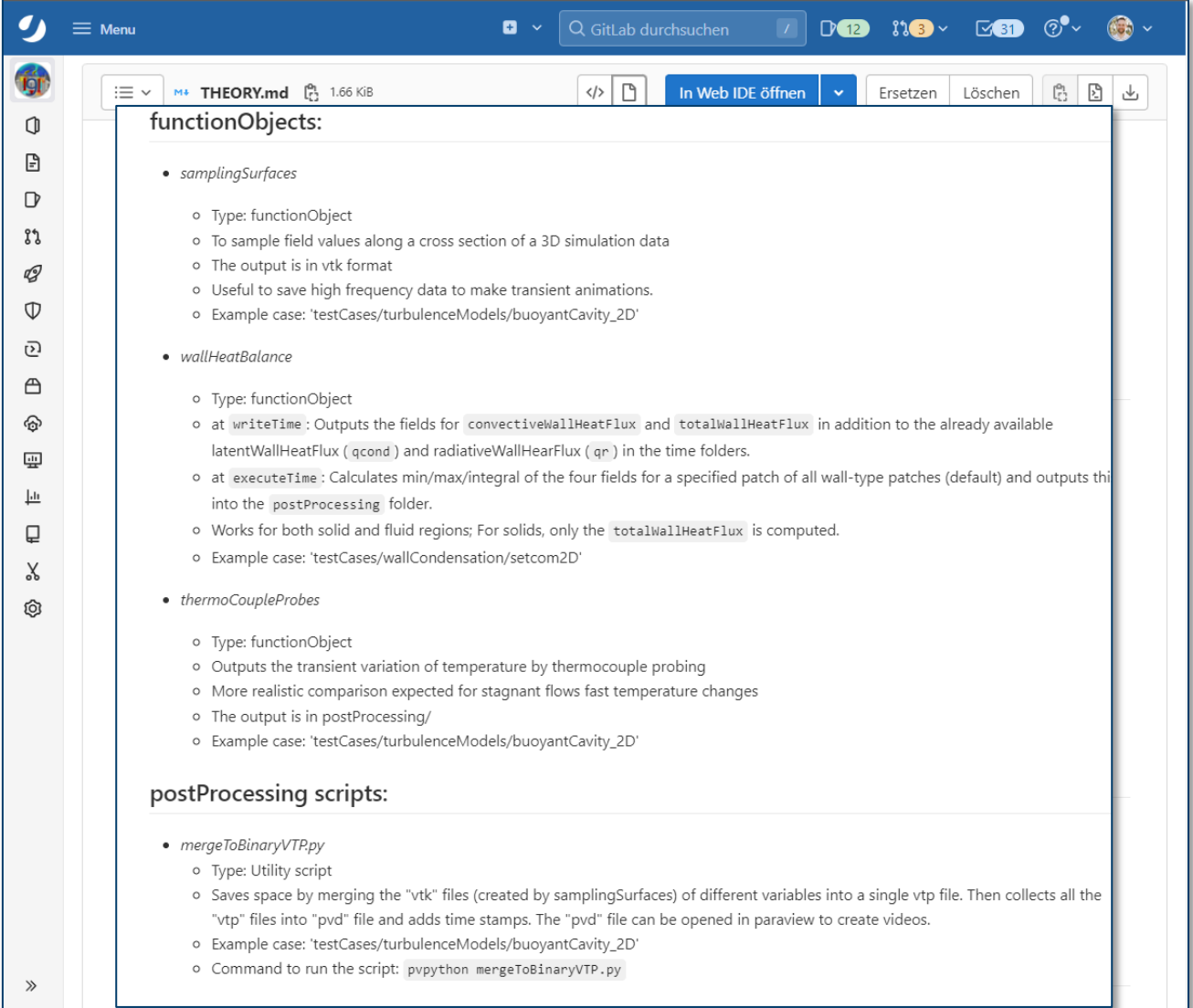
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```
functionObjects:

- samplingSurfaces
  - Type: functionObject
  - To sample field values along a cross section of a 3D simulation data
  - The output is in vtk format
  - Useful to save high frequency data to make transient animations.
  - Example case: 'testCases/turbulenceModels/buoyantCavity_2D'
- wallHeatBalance
  - Type: functionObject
  - at writeTime: Outputs the fields for convectiveWallHeatFlux and totalWallHeatFlux in addition to the already available latentWallHeatFlux (qcond) and radiativeWallHeatFlux (qr) in the time folders.
  - at executeTime: Calculates min/max/integral of the four fields for a specified patch of all wall-type patches (default) and outputs this into the postProcessing folder.
  - Works for both solid and fluid regions; For solids, only the totalWallHeatFlux is computed.
  - Example case: 'testCases/wallCondensation/setcom2D'
- thermoCoupleProbes
  - Type: functionObject
  - Outputs the transient variation of temperature by thermocouple probing
  - More realistic comparison expected for stagnant flows fast temperature changes
  - The output is in postProcessing/
  - Example case: 'testCases/turbulenceModels/buoyantCavity_2D'

  
postProcessing scripts:

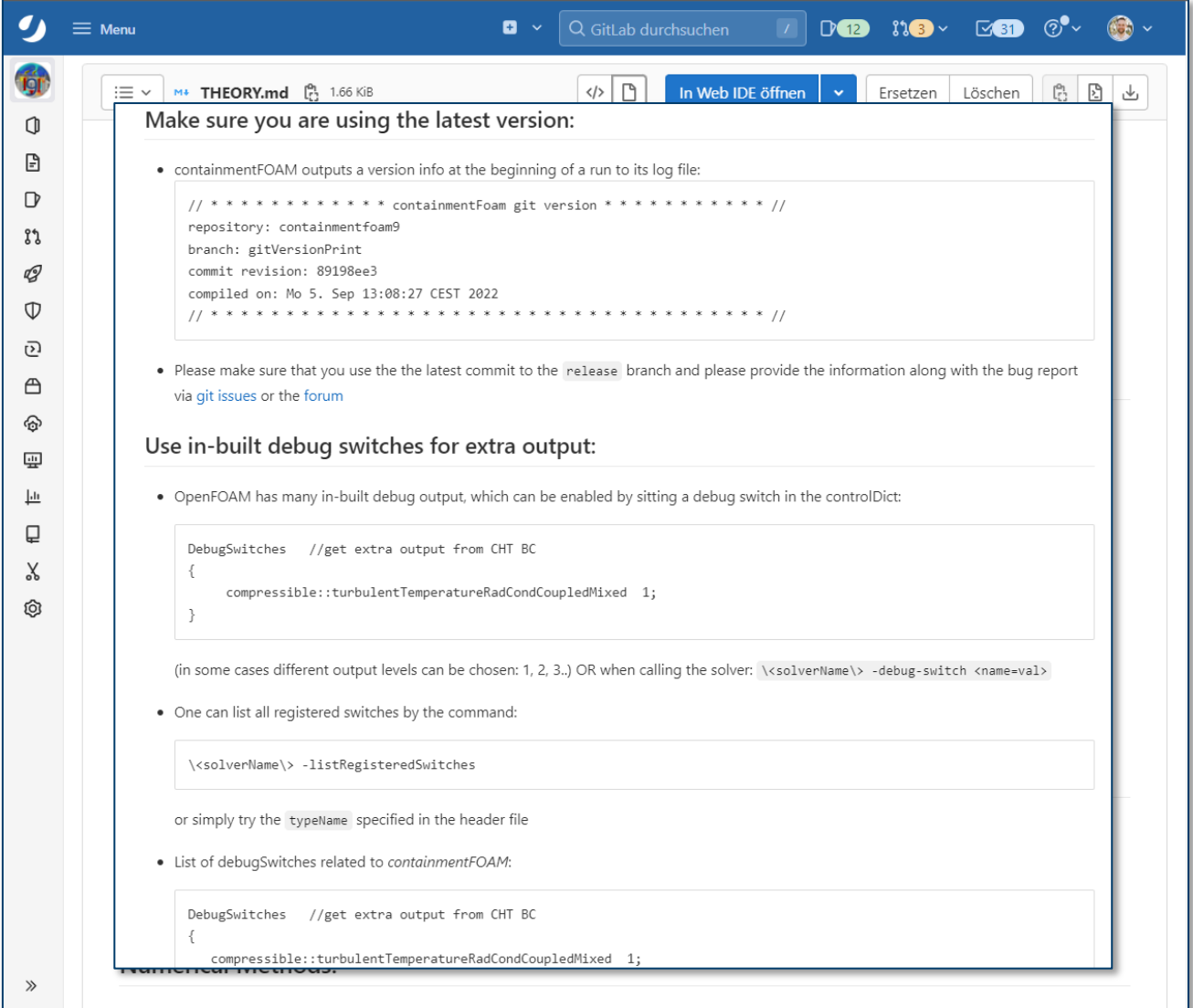
- mergeToBinaryVTP.py
  - Type: Utility script
  - Saves space by merging the "vtk" files (created by samplingSurfaces) of different variables into a single vtp file. Then collects all the "vtp" files into "pvd" file and adds time stamps. The "pvd" file can be opened in paraview to create videos.
  - Example case: 'testCases/turbulenceModels/buoyantCavity_2D'
  - Command to run the script: pvpython mergeToBinaryVTP.py

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Make sure you are using the latest version:

- containmentFOAM outputs a version info at the beginning of a run to its log file:

```
// ***** containmentFoam git version ***** //
repository: containmentfoam9
branch: gitVersionPrint
commit revision: 89198ee3
compiled on: Mo 5. Sep 13:08:27 CEST 2022
// *****
```

- Please make sure that you use the the latest commit to the `release` branch and please provide the information along with the bug report via [git issues](#) or the [forum](#)

Use in-built debug switches for extra output:

- OpenFOAM has many in-built debug output, which can be enabled by siting a debug switch in the controlDict:

```
DebugSwitches //get extra output from CHT BC
{
    compressible::turbulentTemperatureRadCondCoupledMixed 1;
}
```

(in some cases different output levels can be chosen: 1, 2, 3,) OR when calling the solver: `\<solverName\> -debug-switch <name=val>`

- One can list all registered switches by the command:

```
\<solverName\> -listRegisteredSwitches
```


or simply try the `typeName` specified in the header file

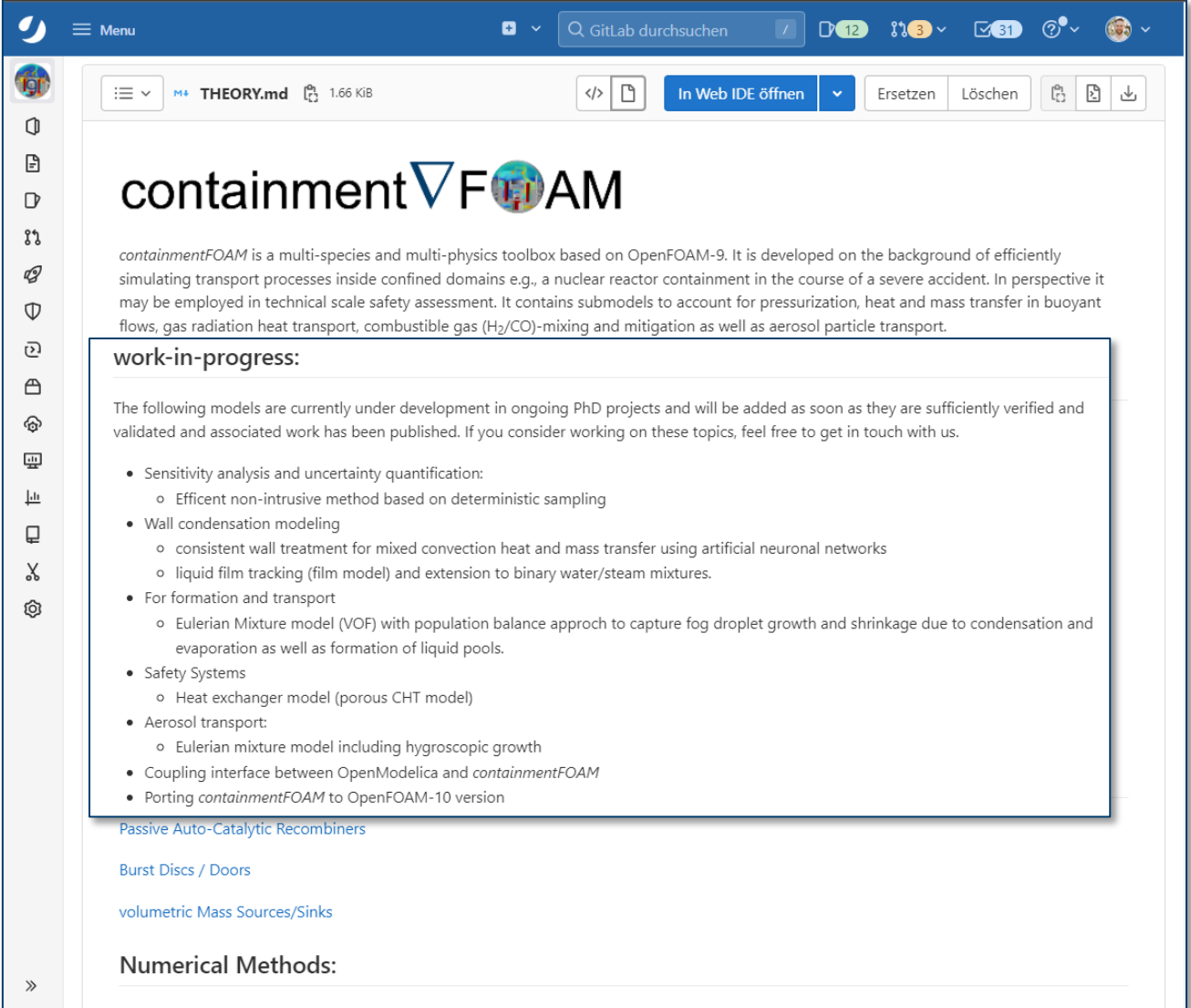
- List of debugSwitches related to `containmentFOAM`:

```
DebugSwitches //get extra output from CHT BC
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```

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The screenshot shows the GitLab web interface for the 'containmentFOAM' repository. The main content is the README file, which includes the following text:

## containmentFOAM

*containmentFOAM* is a multi-species and multi-physics toolbox based on OpenFOAM-9. It is developed on the background of efficiently simulating transport processes inside confined domains e.g., a nuclear reactor containment in the course of a severe accident. In perspective it may be employed in technical scale safety assessment. It contains submodels to account for pressurization, heat and mass transfer in buoyant flows, gas radiation heat transport, combustible gas ( $H_2/CO$ )-mixing and mitigation as well as aerosol particle transport.

### work-in-progress:

The following models are currently under development in ongoing PhD projects and will be added as soon as they are sufficiently verified and validated and associated work has been published. If you consider working on these topics, feel free to get in touch with us.


- Sensitivity analysis and uncertainty quantification:
  - Efficient non-intrusive method based on deterministic sampling
- Wall condensation modeling
  - consistent wall treatment for mixed convection heat and mass transfer using artificial neuronal networks
  - liquid film tracking (film model) and extension to binary water/steam mixtures.
- For formation and transport
  - Eulerian Mixture model (VOF) with population balance approach to capture fog droplet growth and shrinkage due to condensation and evaporation as well as formation of liquid pools.
- Safety Systems
  - Heat exchanger model (porous CHT model)
- Aerosol transport:
  - Eulerian mixture model including hygroscopic growth
- Coupling interface between OpenModelica and *containmentFOAM*
- Porting *containmentFOAM* to OpenFOAM-10 version

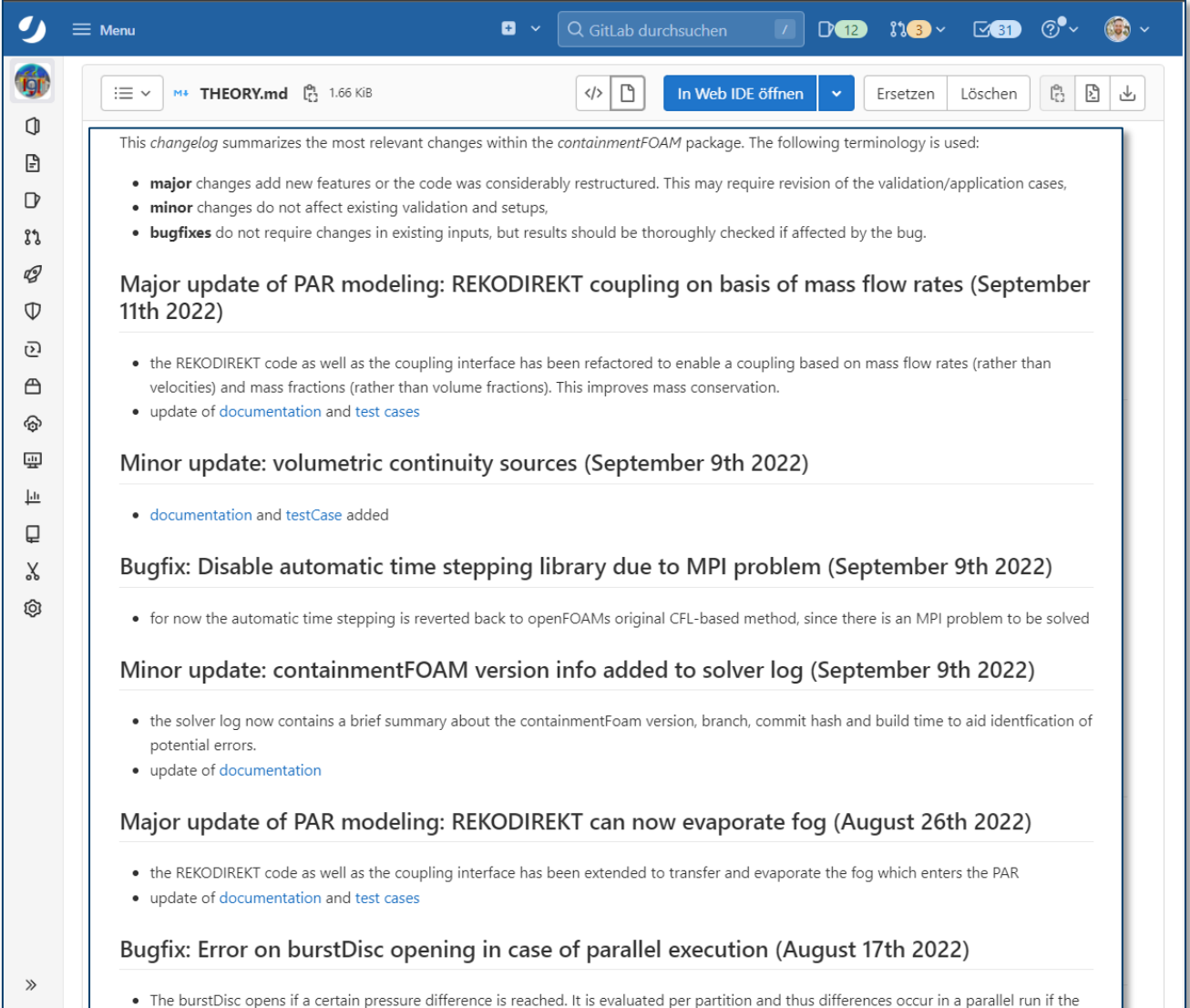
Below the work-in-progress section, there are links to other parts of the documentation:

- [Passive Auto-Catalytic Recombiners](#)
- [Burst Discs / Doors](#)
- [volumetric Mass Sources/Sinks](#)

The 'Numerical Methods:' section is partially visible at the bottom of the screenshot.

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  - Changelog



This *changelog* summarizes the most relevant changes within the *containmentFOAM* package. The following terminology is used:

- **major** changes add new features or the code was considerably restructured. This may require revision of the validation/application cases,
- **minor** changes do not affect existing validation and setups,
- **bugfixes** do not require changes in existing inputs, but results should be thoroughly checked if affected by the bug.

**Major update of PAR modeling: REKODIREKT coupling on basis of mass flow rates (September 11th 2022)**

- the REKODIREKT code as well as the coupling interface has been refactored to enable a coupling based on mass flow rates (rather than velocities) and mass fractions (rather than volume fractions). This improves mass conservation.
- update of [documentation](#) and [test cases](#)

**Minor update: volumetric continuity sources (September 9th 2022)**

- [documentation](#) and [testCase](#) added

**Bugfix: Disable automatic time stepping library due to MPI problem (September 9th 2022)**

- for now the automatic time stepping is reverted back to openFOAMs original CFL-based method, since there is an MPI problem to be solved

**Minor update: containmentFOAM version info added to solver log (September 9th 2022)**

- the solver log now contains a brief summary about the containmentFoam version, branch, commit hash and build time to aid identification of potential errors.
- update of [documentation](#)

**Major update of PAR modeling: REKODIREKT can now evaporate fog (August 26th 2022)**

- the REKODIREKT code as well as the coupling interface has been extended to transfer and evaporate the fog which enters the PAR
- update of [documentation](#) and [test cases](#)

**Bugfix: Error on burstDisc opening in case of parallel execution (August 17th 2022)**

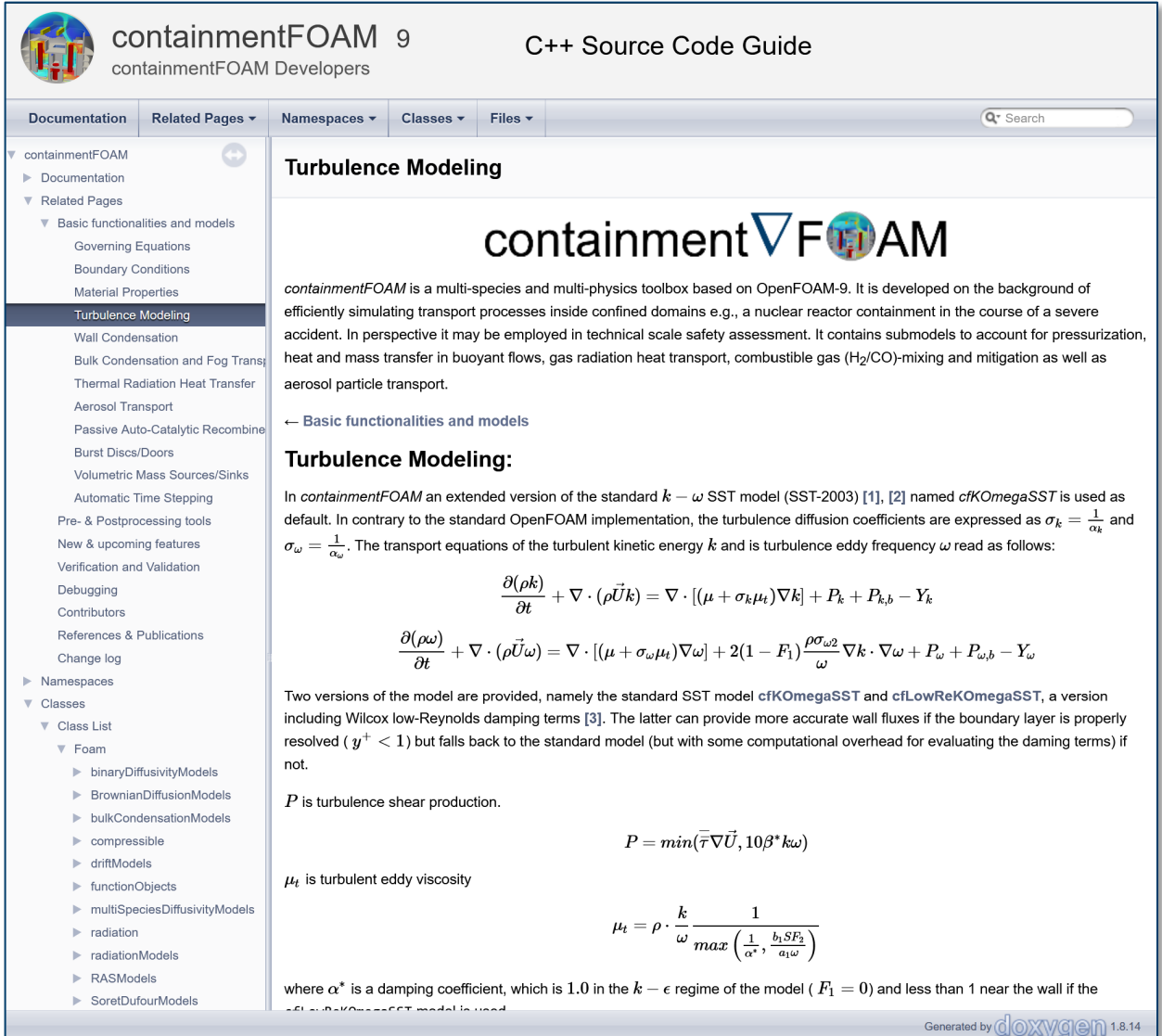
- The burstDisc opens if a certain pressure difference is reached. It is evaluated per partition and thus differences occur in a parallel run if the

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## Collaboration and Software Development Tools

### ■ GitLab Pages:

- Automatic build of Doxygen documentation as web page hosted within the repository:  
[https://containmentfoam\\_developers.iffgit.fz-juelich.de/containmentfoam\\_release9/index.html](https://containmentfoam_developers.iffgit.fz-juelich.de/containmentfoam_release9/index.html)
- Aims:
  - link markdown documentation and source



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## Turbulence Modeling

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← Basic functionalities and models

### Turbulence Modeling:

In containmentFOAM an extended version of the standard  $k - \omega$  SST model (SST-2003) [1], [2] named *cfkOmegaSST* is used as default. In contrary to the standard OpenFOAM implementation, the turbulence diffusion coefficients are expressed as  $\sigma_k = \frac{1}{\alpha_k}$  and  $\sigma_\omega = \frac{1}{\alpha_\omega}$ . The transport equations of the turbulent kinetic energy  $k$  and is turbulence eddy frequency  $\omega$  read as follows:

$$\frac{\partial(\rho k)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} k) = \nabla \cdot [(\mu + \sigma_k \mu_t) \nabla k] + P_k + P_{k,b} - Y_k$$
$$\frac{\partial(\rho \omega)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{U} \omega) = \nabla \cdot [(\mu + \sigma_\omega \mu_t) \nabla \omega] + 2(1 - F_1) \frac{\rho \sigma_\omega \omega^2}{\omega} \nabla k \cdot \nabla \omega + P_\omega + P_{\omega,b} - Y_\omega$$

Two versions of the model are provided, namely the standard SST model *cfkOmegaSST* and *cfLowRekOmegaSST*, a version including Wilcox low-Reynolds damping terms [3]. The latter can provide more accurate wall fluxes if the boundary layer is properly resolved ( $y^+ < 1$ ) but falls back to the standard model (but with some computational overhead for evaluating the damping terms) if not.

$P$  is turbulence shear production.

$$P = \min(\bar{\tau} \nabla \vec{U}, 10\beta^* k \omega)$$

$\mu_t$  is turbulent eddy viscosity

$$\mu_t = \rho \cdot \frac{k}{\omega} \frac{1}{\max\left(\frac{1}{\alpha^*}, \frac{b_1 S F_2}{a_1 \omega}\right)}$$

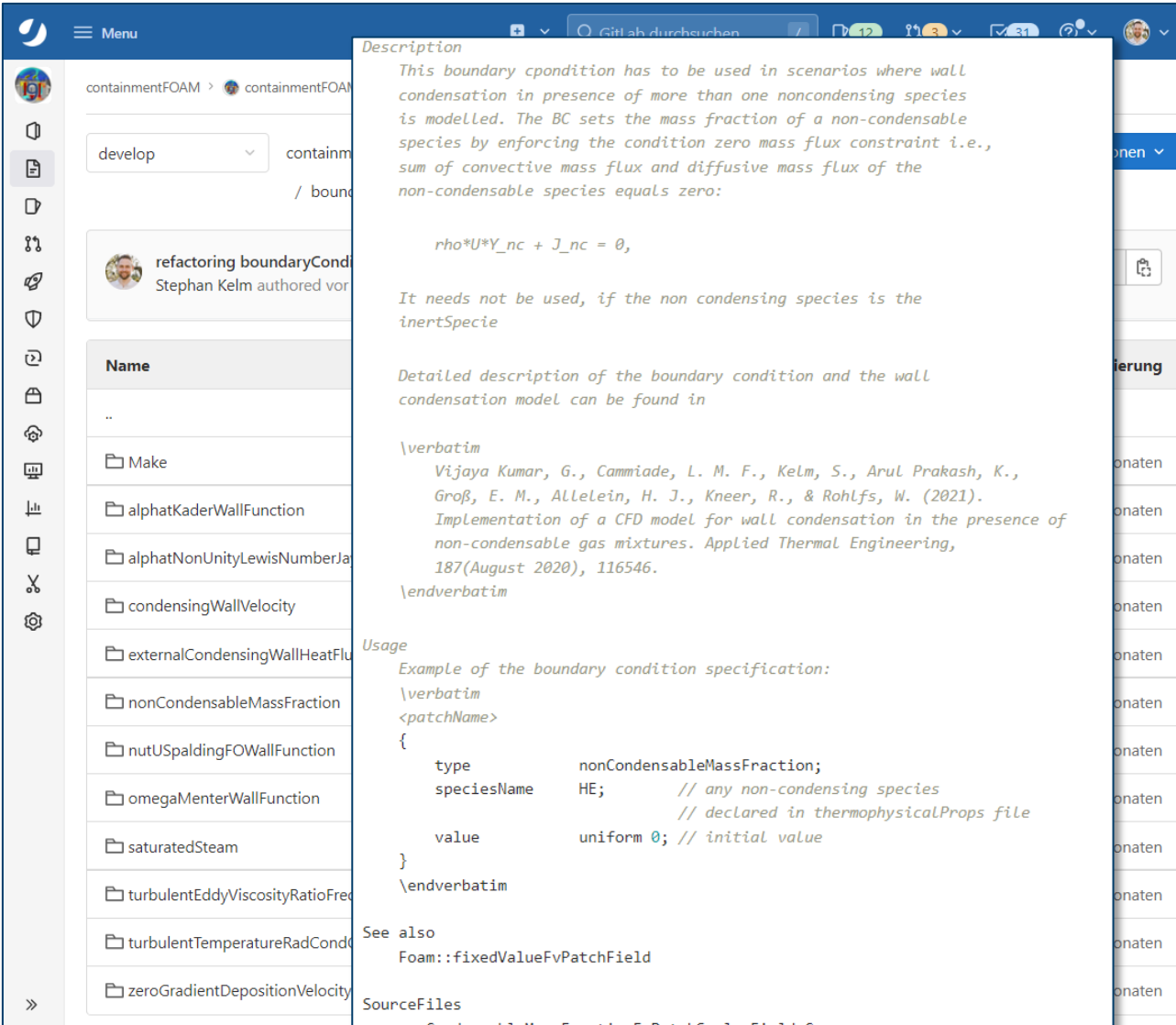
where  $\alpha^*$  is a damping coefficient, which is 1.0 in the  $k - \epsilon$  regime of the model ( $F_1 = 0$ ) and less than 1 near the wall if the *cfLowRekOmegaSST* model is used.

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## Documentation

- Source code header files



**Description**

This boundary condition has to be used in scenarios where wall condensation in presence of more than one noncondensing species is modelled. The BC sets the mass fraction of a non-condensable species by enforcing the condition zero mass flux constraint i.e., sum of convective mass flux and diffusive mass flux of the non-condensable species equals zero:

$$\rho * U * Y_{nc} + J_{nc} = 0,$$

It needs not be used, if the non condensing species is the inertSpecie

Detailed description of the boundary condition and the wall condensation model can be found in

`\verbatim`

Vijaya Kumar, G., Cammiade, L. M. F., Kelm, S., Arul Prakash, K., Groß, E. M., Allelein, H. J., Kneer, R., & Rohlf, W. (2021). Implementation of a CFD model for wall condensation in the presence of non-condensable gas mixtures. *Applied Thermal Engineering*, 187(August 2020), 116546.

`\endverbatim`

**Usage**

Example of the boundary condition specification:

```
\verbatim
<patchName>
{
    type            nonCondensableMassFraction;
    speciesName     HE;           // any non-condensing species
                                // declared in thermophysicalProps file
    value           uniform 0; // initial value
}
\endverbatim
```

**See also**

Foam::fixedValueFvPatchField

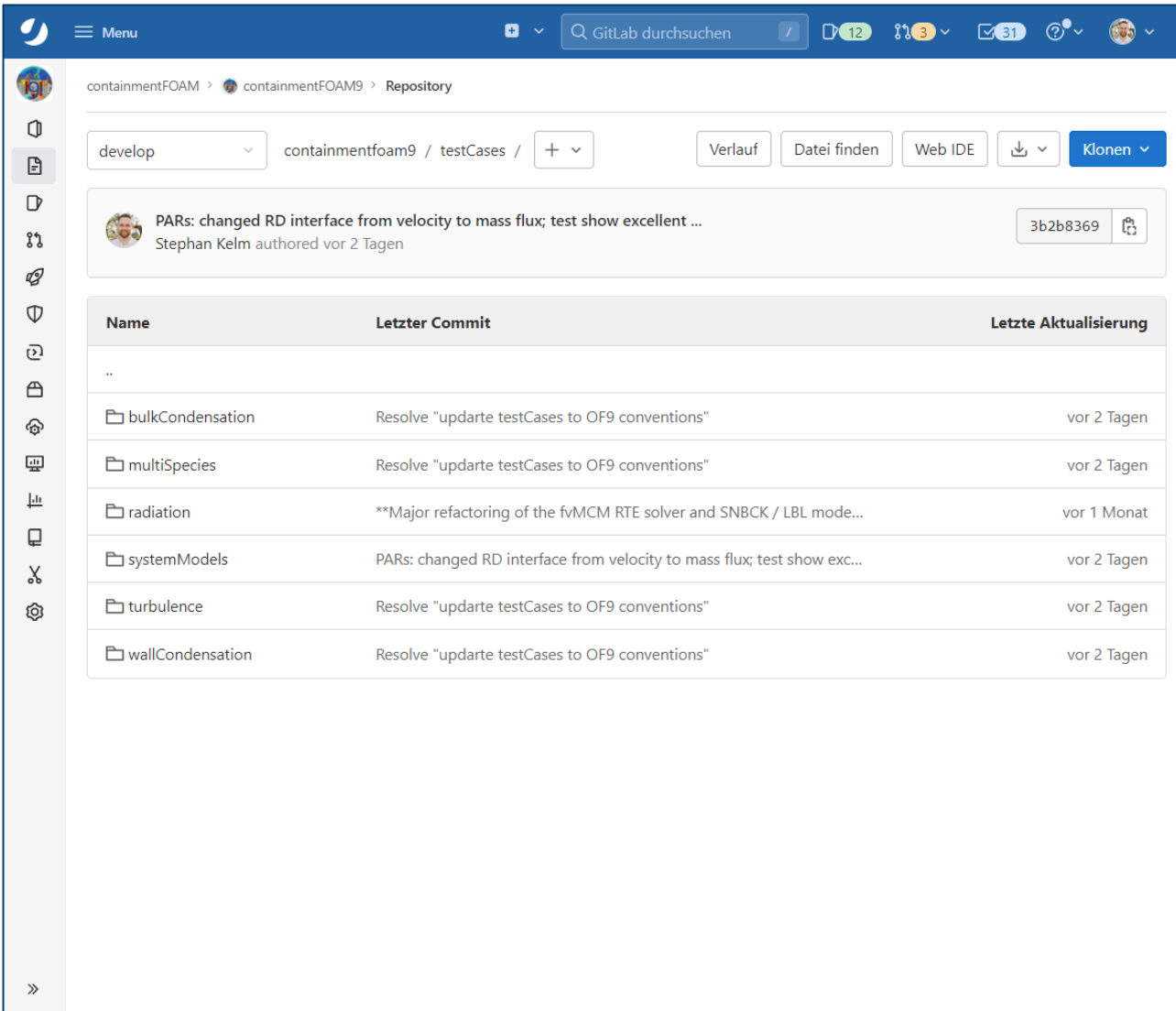
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nonCondensableMassFractionFvPatchScalarField.C

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## TestCases

- Organized according to model library
- (Mostly) contain:
  - readme
  - run-script (several options possible)
  - reference data
  - postprocessing script



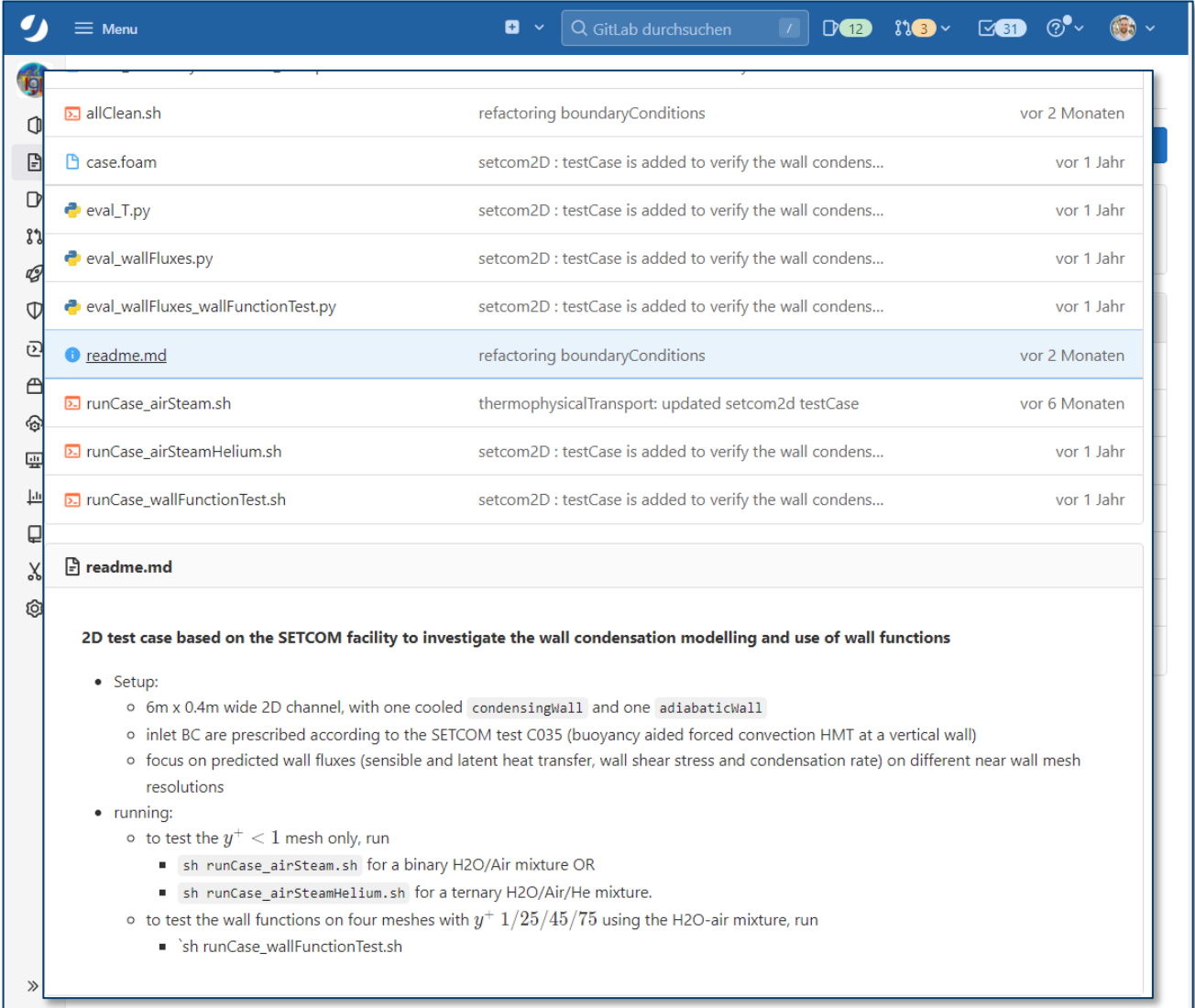
The screenshot shows the GitLab interface for the repository 'containmentFOAM9'. The breadcrumb path is 'containmentFOAM > containmentFOAM9 > Repository'. The current branch is 'develop', and the path is 'containmentfoam9 / testCases /'. There are buttons for 'Verlauf', 'Datei finden', 'Web IDE', 'Klonen', and a download icon. A recent commit by Stephan Kelm is shown: 'PARs: changed RD interface from velocity to mass flux; test show excellent ...' with commit ID '3b2b8369' and 'Stephan Kelm authored vor 2 Tagen'. Below this is a table of files and their commit history.

Name	Letzter Commit	Letzte Aktualisierung
..		
bulkCondensation	Resolve "update testCases to OF9 conventions"	vor 2 Tagen
multiSpecies	Resolve "update testCases to OF9 conventions"	vor 2 Tagen
radiation	**Major refactoring of the fvMCM RTE solver and SNBCK / LBL mode...	vor 1 Monat
systemModels	PARs: changed RD interface from velocity to mass flux; test show exc...	vor 2 Tagen
turbulence	Resolve "update testCases to OF9 conventions"	vor 2 Tagen
wallCondensation	Resolve "update testCases to OF9 conventions"	vor 2 Tagen

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  - postprocessing script
- But in case of simple tests or demonstration no further information is provided.



The screenshot shows the GitLab web interface. The top navigation bar includes a search bar with the text "GitLab durchsuchen" and several notification icons. Below the navigation bar is a list of files in a repository. The files listed are:

File Name	Description	Last Modified
allClean.sh	refactoring boundaryConditions	vor 2 Monaten
case.foam	setcom2D : testCase is added to verify the wall condens...	vor 1 Jahr
eval_T.py	setcom2D : testCase is added to verify the wall condens...	vor 1 Jahr
eval_wallFluxes.py	setcom2D : testCase is added to verify the wall condens...	vor 1 Jahr
eval_wallFluxes_wallFunctionTest.py	setcom2D : testCase is added to verify the wall condens...	vor 1 Jahr
README.md	refactoring boundaryConditions	vor 2 Monaten
runCase_airSteam.sh	thermophysicalTransport: updated setcom2d testCase	vor 6 Monaten
runCase_airSteamHelium.sh	setcom2D : testCase is added to verify the wall condens...	vor 1 Jahr
runCase_wallFunctionTest.sh	setcom2D : testCase is added to verify the wall condens...	vor 1 Jahr

The selected file, `README.md`, is displayed below the list. Its content is as follows:

**2D test case based on the SETCOM facility to investigate the wall condensation modelling and use of wall functions**

- Setup:
  - 6m x 0.4m wide 2D channel, with one cooled `condensingWall` and one `adiabaticWall`
  - inlet BC are prescribed according to the SETCOM test C035 (buoyancy aided forced convection HMT at a vertical wall)
  - focus on predicted wall fluxes (sensible and latent heat transfer, wall shear stress and condensation rate) on different near wall mesh resolutions
- running:
  - to test the  $y^+ < 1$  mesh only, run
    - `sh runCase_airSteam.sh` for a binary H2O/Air mixture OR
    - `sh runCase_airSteamHelium.sh` for a ternary H2O/Air/He mixture.
  - to test the wall functions on four meshes with  $y^+ 1/25/45/75$  using the H2O-air mixture, run
    - `sh runCase_wallFunctionTest.sh`

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## Contributions

- Please help us maintaining `containmentFOAM` rather than fork!
- Become a project member (issue tracker, notifications..)
- You developed a feature that could complement `containmentFOAM`?

(1) Check contribution guidelines

(2) Get in touch with us (forum, email)

(3) Two options:

- Share code via a separate repository, which is linked
- Merge code into `containmentFOAM` repository
- You identified a potential bug
  - Raise an issue and provide a description and test case
- Propose extensions, test cases, review

### `containmentFOAM` Contribution guidelines:

- If you wish to develop/have a new feature, please get in touch with us via [email](#) to discuss its integration.
- Create an [issue](#) with a consolidated title and sufficient description. Assign the person responsible (if known), while creating the issue itself.
- To address the issue raised in code development, the assigned person should create a branch and merge request using the option from issue itself. Care should be taken that the *parent branch is develop* (not master), as most recent developments are merged with it. By default, this creates a branch name starting with "issue-number" and merge request with "Draft:" in front.
- Do not push images (plots) into the git. The verification plots, to prove the developed code in the branch works as intended, should be discussed in the comments section of the relevant merge-request.
- If there is a long standing bug in a specific part of the code, you may start a thread instead of comment in the associated merge-request, which allows a separate discussion.
- When the code is verified and ready to be merged with develop branch, remove the "Draft:" from merge-request and add the assignee reviewer. The reviewer can provide his approval for merging, and it is optional. The assignee should verify compilation, verification discussion in the comments section, and resolve the merge-conflicts, and finally merge with *develop* branch.
- Pushing commits into *develop* and *master* branches is strictly forbidden.
- `containmentFOAM` is developed under the GNU General Public Licence v3. The act of pushing code to the repository will be understood as an explicit affirmation of the following:
  - The contribution was created in whole or in part by me and I have the right to submit it under the GPL v3 (or the indicated compatible license)
  - My contribution is based upon previous work that, to the best of my knowledge, is covered under the GPL v3 (or the indicated compatible license) and I have the right to submit that work with modifications, under the same open source license, as indicated in the file; Or the contribution was provided directly to me by another person who certified the points above and I have not modified it.
  - My individual contribution is visible in the commit history and globally mentioned in above contributors list. Individual copyright statements should not be added to the source code

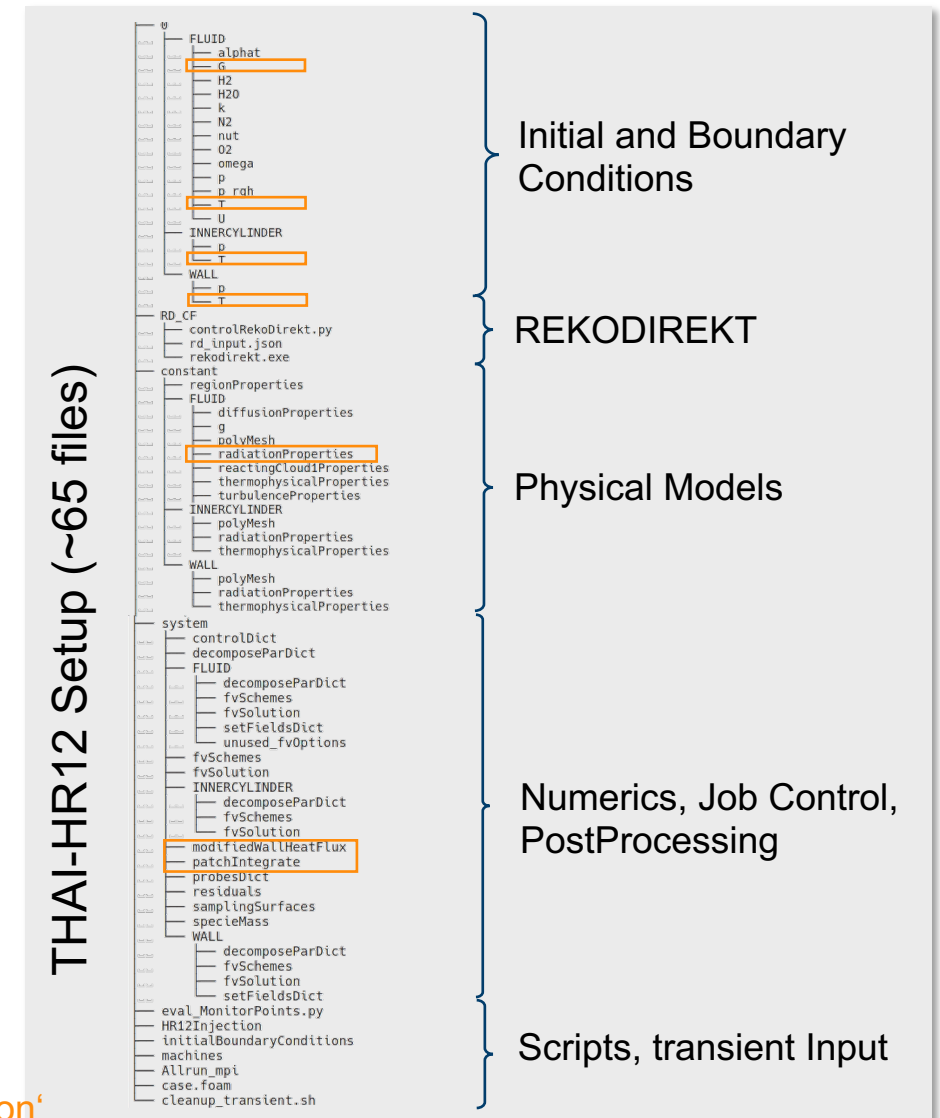


# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Crosscutting issues – Case creation

- Containment analysis comprises interaction of multiple physical phenomena and safety systems:
  - Multiple specialized model options and defaults (developers experience)
  - Dependencies among dictionaries (and models)
- Different users, different approaches:
  - Broad variety of numerical methods and schemes
  - Different usage of OF-functionality
- Limited repeatability
- Inconsistent definitions possible, which may not cause a crash

Definition ,gas radiation'



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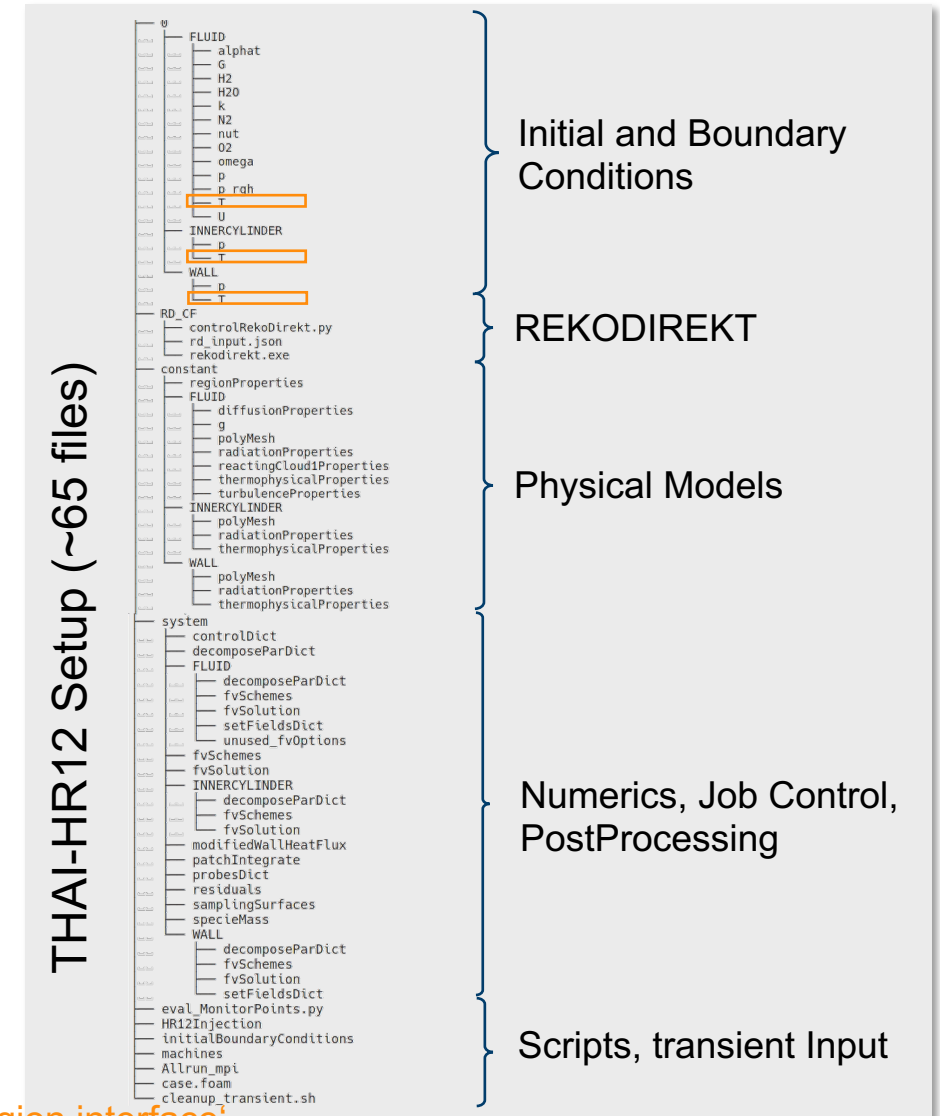
- E.g. inconsistent definitions possible, which may not cause a crash:
  - CHT boundary condition:

### 0/FLUID/T

```
INNERWALL {
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    Tnbr      T;
    kappaMethod  fluidThermo;
    kappa      kappa;
    qrNbr      none;
    qr         qr;
    qcondNbr    none;
    qcond      qcond; }
```

### 0/WALL/T

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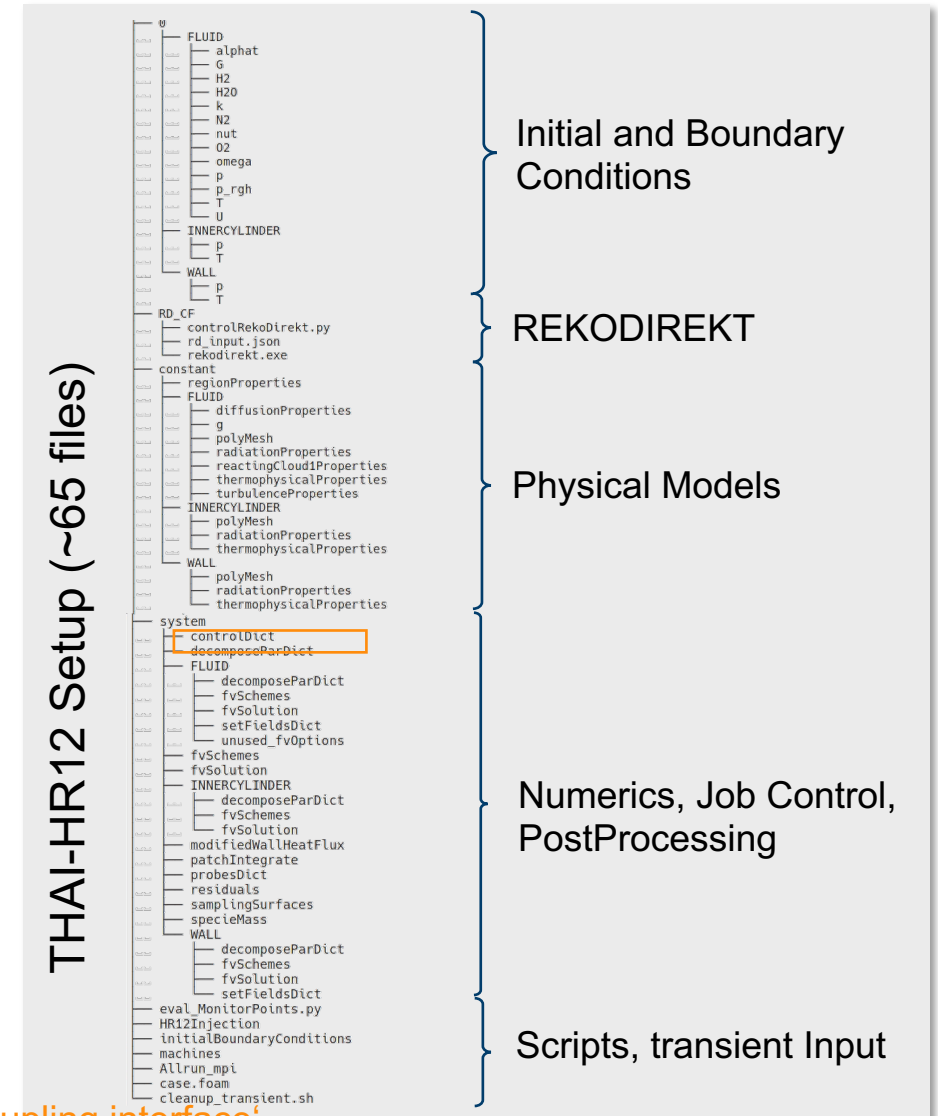
## Crosscutting issues – Case creation

- E.g. inconsistent definitions possible, which may not cause a crash:
- Code coupling interface:

### system/controlDict

```

type                externalCoupled;
log                 false;
commsDir            "comms";
initByExternal      no;
calcFrequency       1;
stateEnd            remove;
regions {
  "region0" {
    PARINLET1 {
      readFields      (U);
      writeFields     (T O2 N2 H2O CO2 H2 CO p fog);
    }
    PAROUTLET1 {
      readFields      (T U O2 N2 H2O CO2 H2 CO);
      writeFields     ();
    }
  }
}
    
```



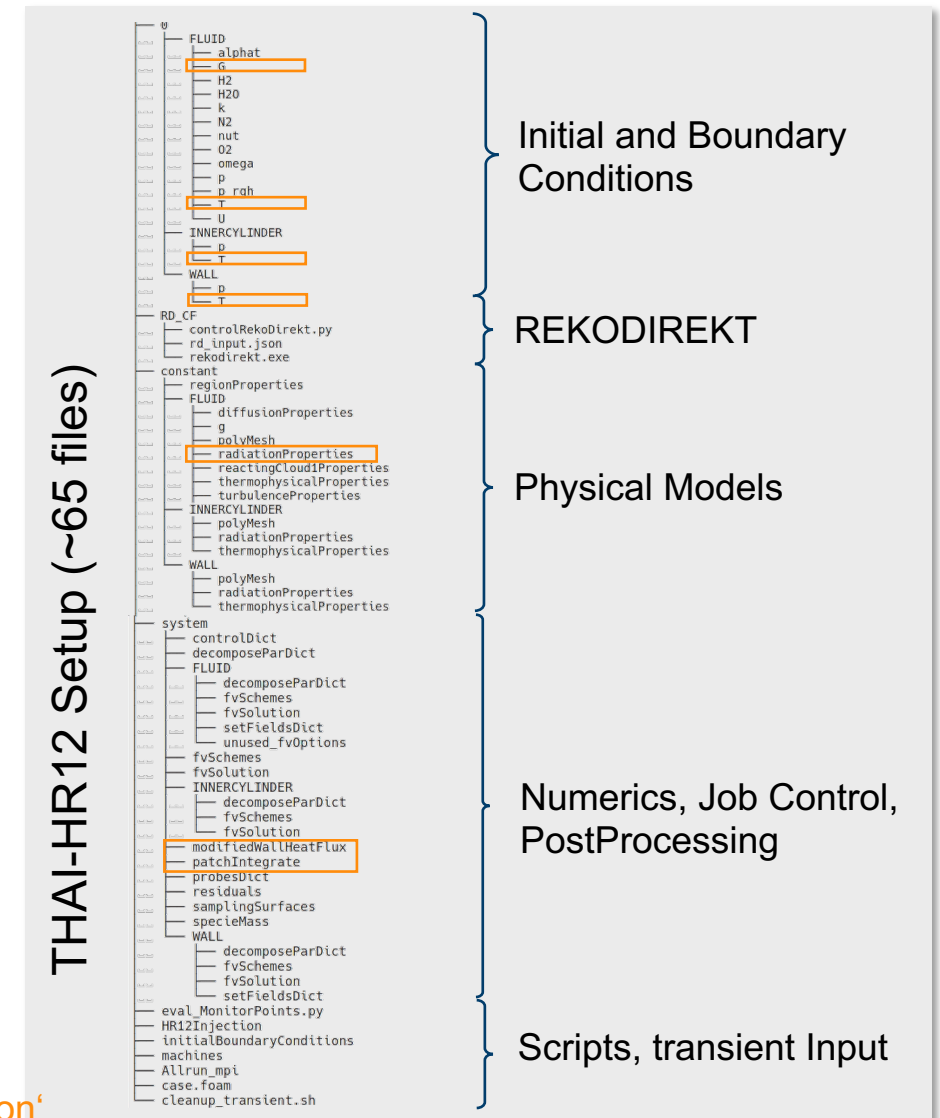
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# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Crosscutting issues – Case creation

- Containment analysis comprises interaction of multiple physical phenomena and safety systems:
- Different users, different approaches
- Considerable syntax changes in OF base versions
- Reproduce preprocessing workflows
- ‚templated standard‘ & Best Practice required:
  - Prevent input errors
  - Ensure consistent model application
  - Enable comparable and reproducible analysis
  - Support / bug identification and fixing.
- Development of ‘cfGUI’

Definition ‚gas radiation‘



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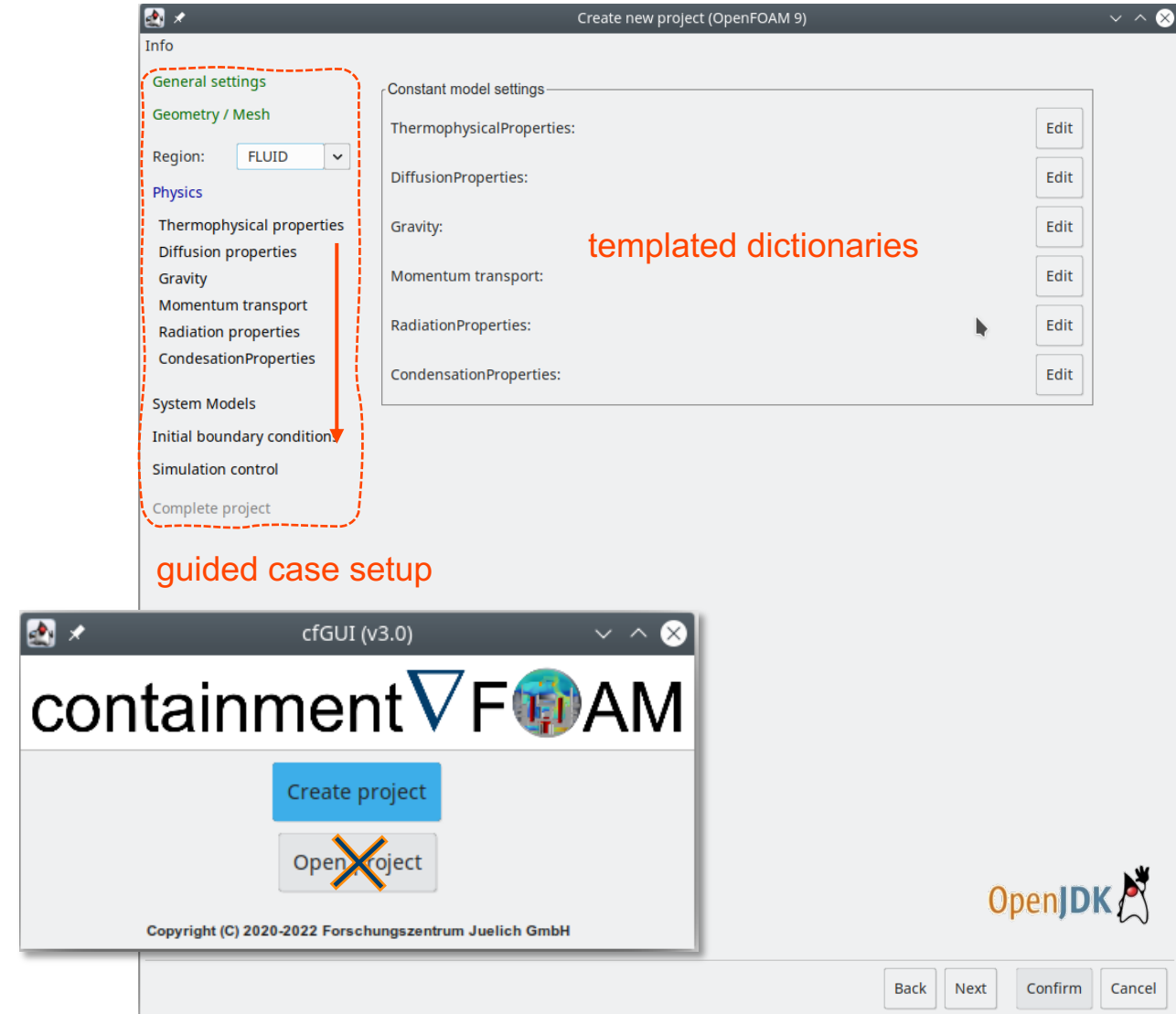
## Guided Case Setup

- Developed by two trainees during their Dual Curriculum MATSE + Applied Mathematics and Computer Science B.Sc.

➤ Work in progress !!

- General idea:

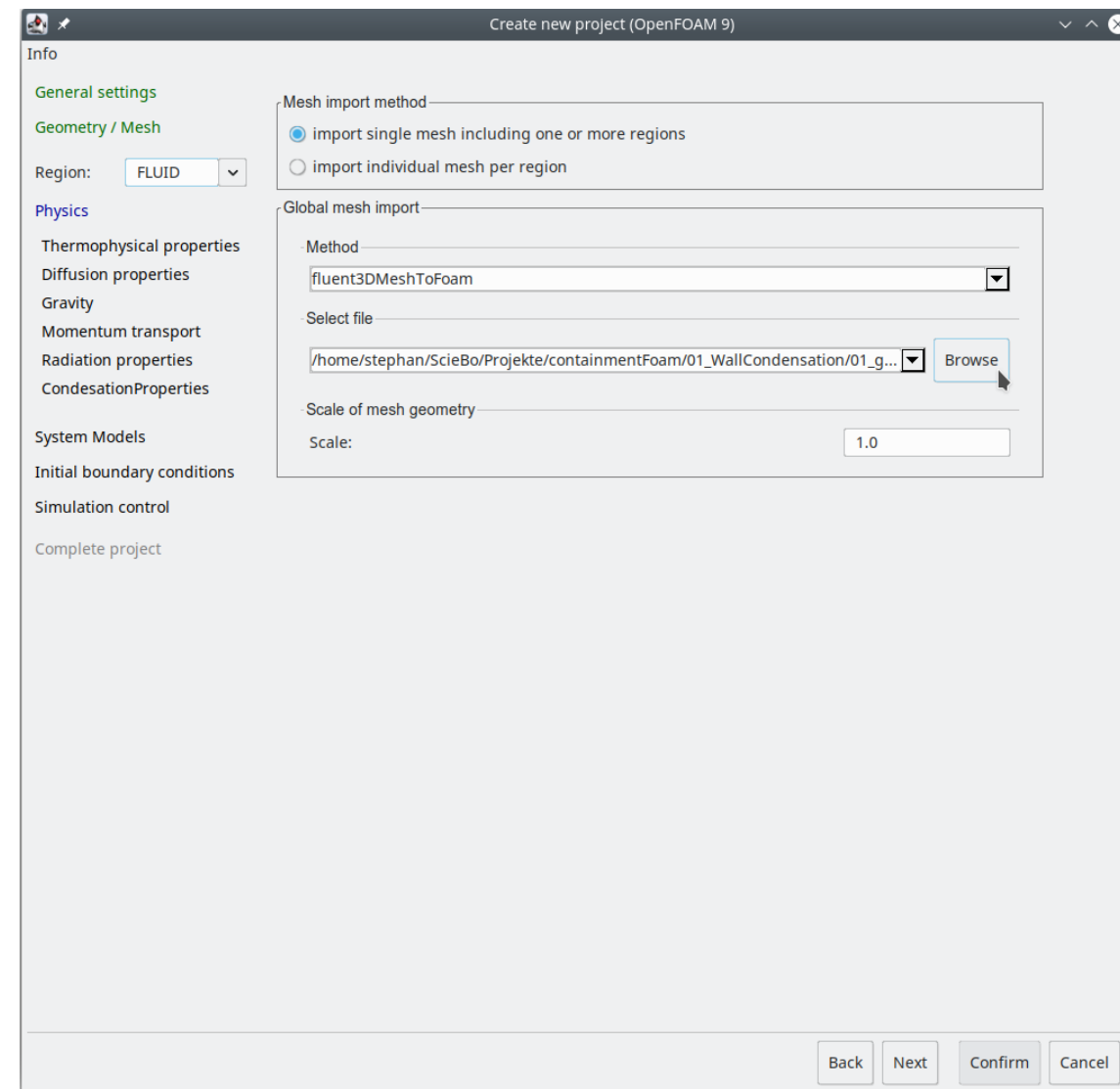
- Workflow, structure and syntax close to OpenFOAM
- limit functionality to baseline model and fundamental functionality



# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Guided Case Setup

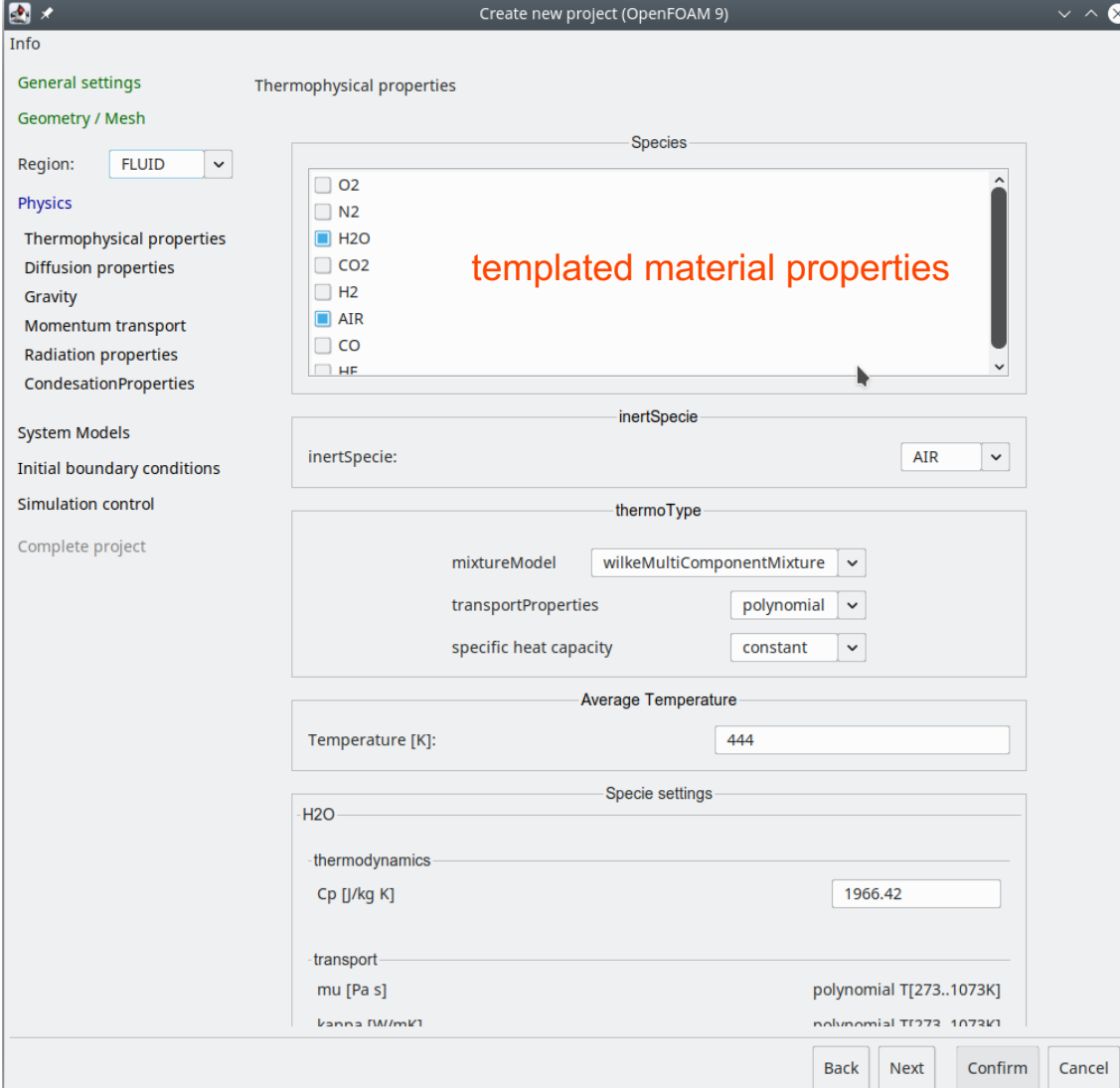
- Mesh import
  - Using OpenFOAM® utilities and libraries
  - Reads mesh quality metrics for further use (e.g. numerics settings)



# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Guided Case Setup

- Mesh import
- Material properties of relevant species
  - Calculator
  - Polynomial fits (NIST data)



Info

General settings

Geometry / Mesh

Region: FLUID

Physics

Thermophysical properties

Diffusion properties

Gravity

Momentum transport

Radiation properties

CondesationProperties

System Models

Initial boundary conditions

Simulation control

Complete project

Thermophysical properties

Species

O2

N2

H2O

CO2

H2

AIR

CO

HF

templated material properties

inertSpecie

inertSpecie: AIR

thermoType

mixtureModel: wilkeMultiComponentMixture

transportProperties: polynomial

specific heat capacity: constant

Average Temperature

Temperature [K]: 444

Specie settings

H2O

thermodynamics

Cp [J/kg K]: 1966.42

transport

mu [Pa s]: polynomial T[273..1073K]

kappa [W/mK]: polynomial T[273..1073K]

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# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Guided Case Setup

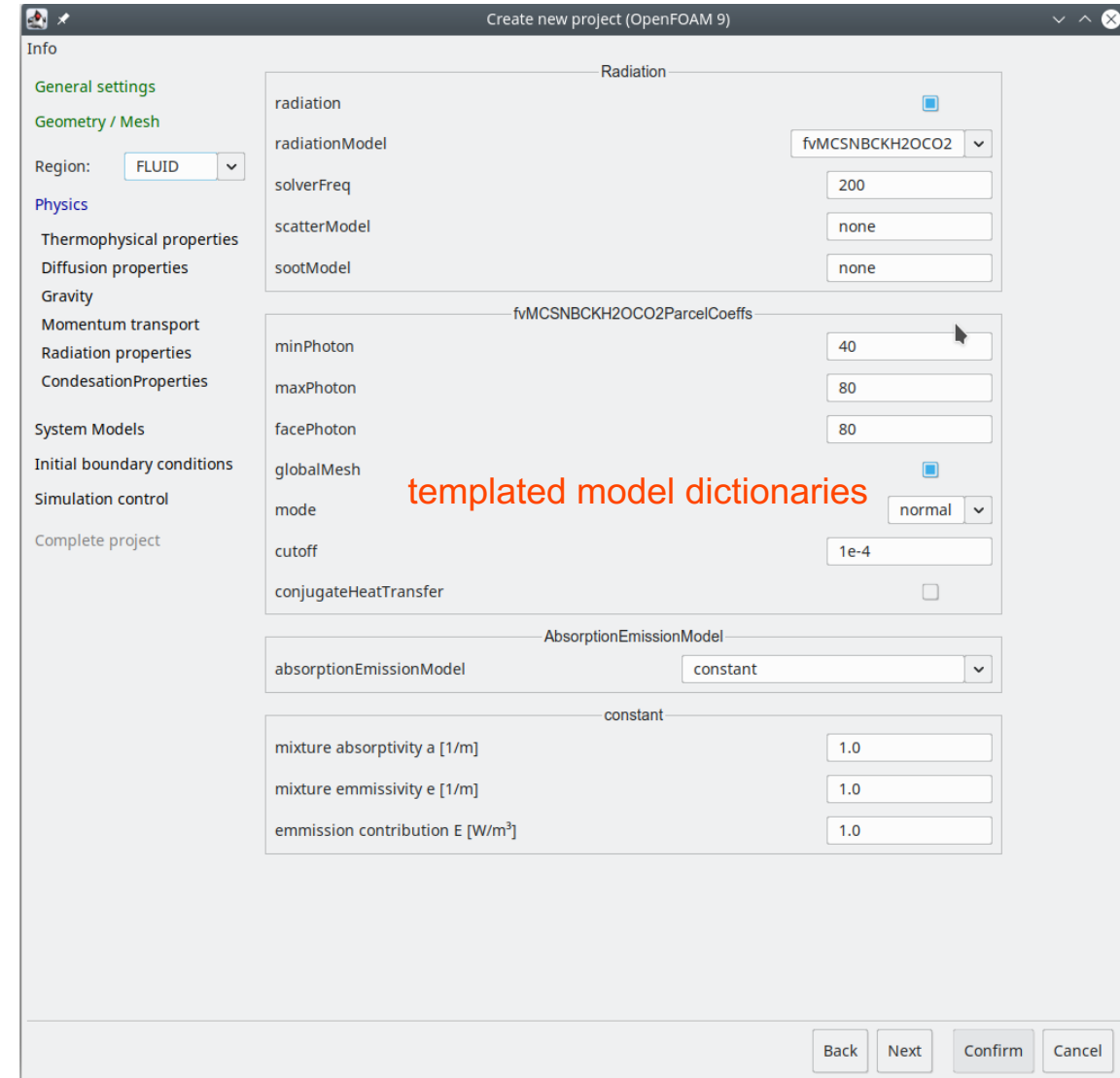
- Mesh import
- Material properties
- Model definition
  - Flexible extension by means of JSON-templates, logical rules and tooltips

```
1 "fvMCMParcelCoeffs":{
2   "_settings_":{"type=oneLineValue"},
3
4   "_values_":
5   [
6     ["_show_(Label(text=minPhoton))","_show_(TextField(text=4));"],
7     ["_show_(Label(text=maxPhoton))","_show_(TextField(text=50));"],
8     ["_show_(Label(text=facePhoton))","_show_(TextField(text=1));"],
9     ["_show_(Label(text=cutoff))","_show_(TextField(text=1e-2));"]
10  ],
11 },
12
13 "absorptionEmissionModel":{
14   "_settings_":{"type=oneLineValue"},
15
16   "_values_":
17   [
18     ["_show_(Label(text=absorptionEmissionModel))","_show
19     {ChoiceBox(text=[constantAbsorptionEmission,nongreyMeanAbsorptionEmission]);"}]
20   ]
21 },
```

default parameters

model selection

- GUI workflow in analogy to OF case structure

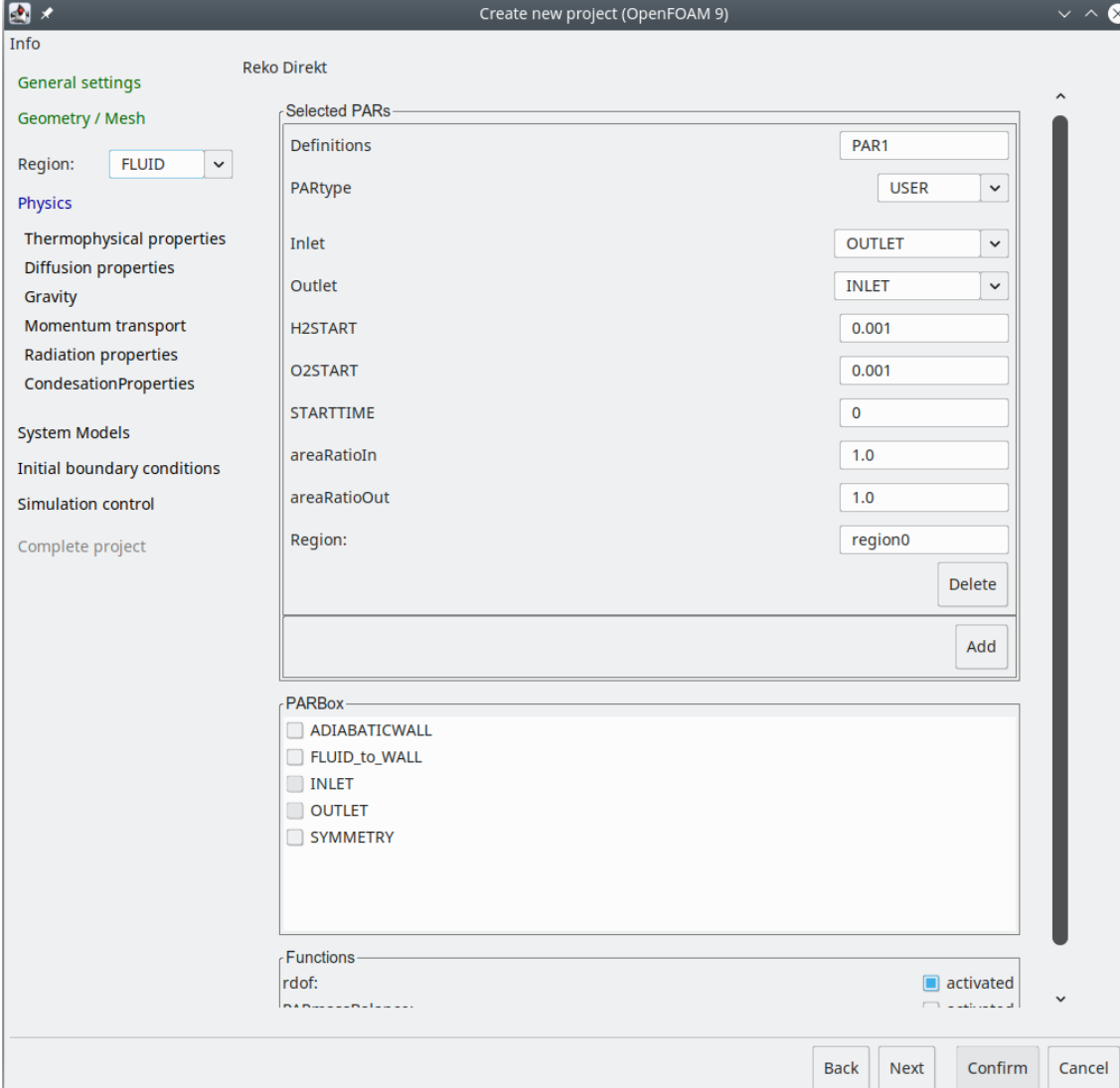




# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Guided Case Setup

- Mesh import
- Material properties
- Model definition
- System models  
(mesh manipulation in background)



Create new project (OpenFOAM 9)

Info

General settings

Geometry / Mesh

Region: FLUID

Physics

Thermophysical properties

Diffusion properties

Gravity

Momentum transport

Radiation properties

CondesationProperties

System Models

Initial boundary conditions

Simulation control

Complete project

Reko Direkt

Selected PARs

Definitions: PAR1

PARtype: USER

Inlet: OUTLET

Outlet: INLET

H2START: 0.001

O2START: 0.001

STARTTIME: 0

areaRatioIn: 1.0

areaRatioOut: 1.0

Region: region0

Delete

Add

PARBox

ADIABATICWALL

FLUID\_to\_WALL

INLET

OUTLET

SYMMETRY

Functions

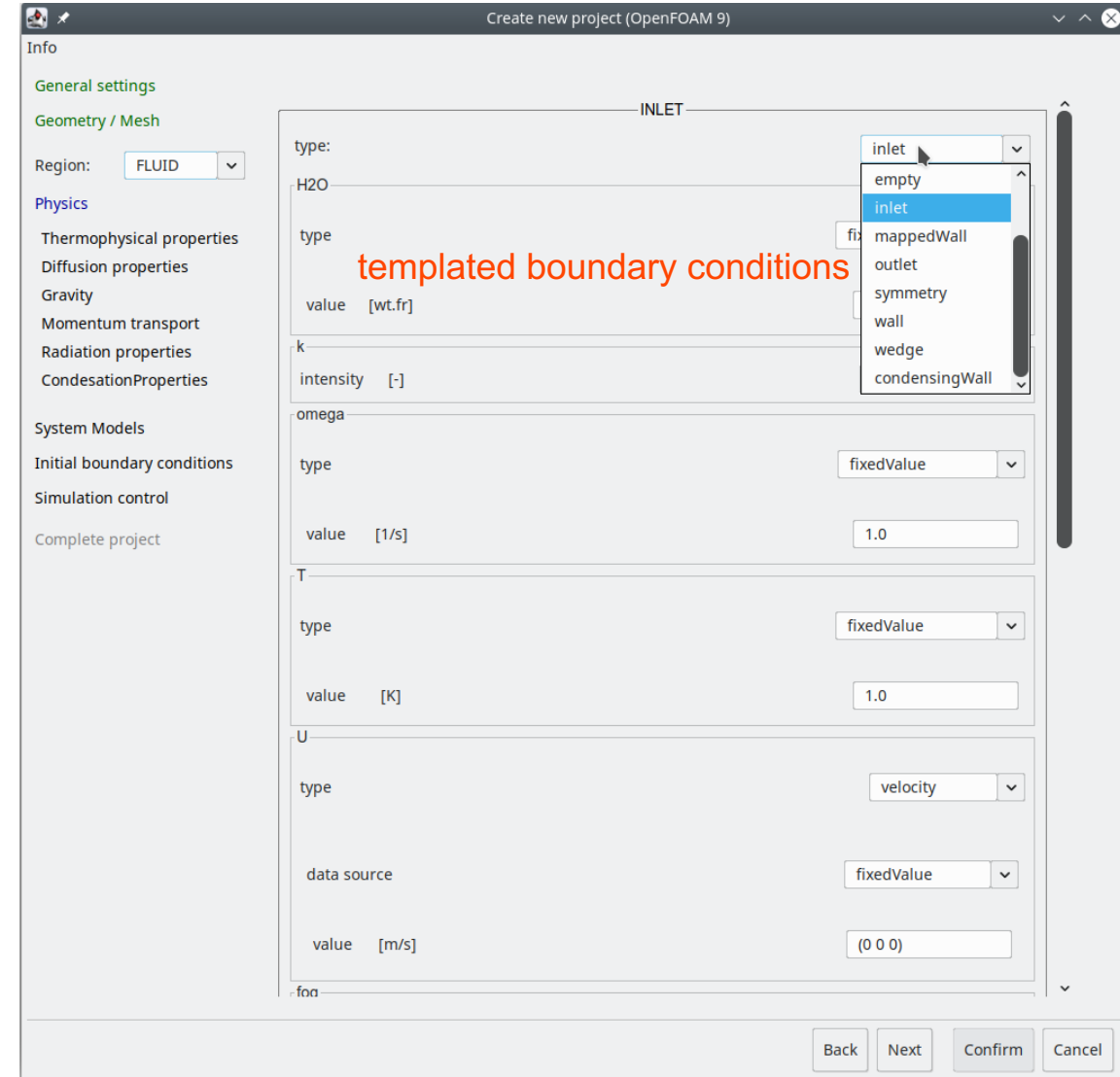
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## Guided Case Setup

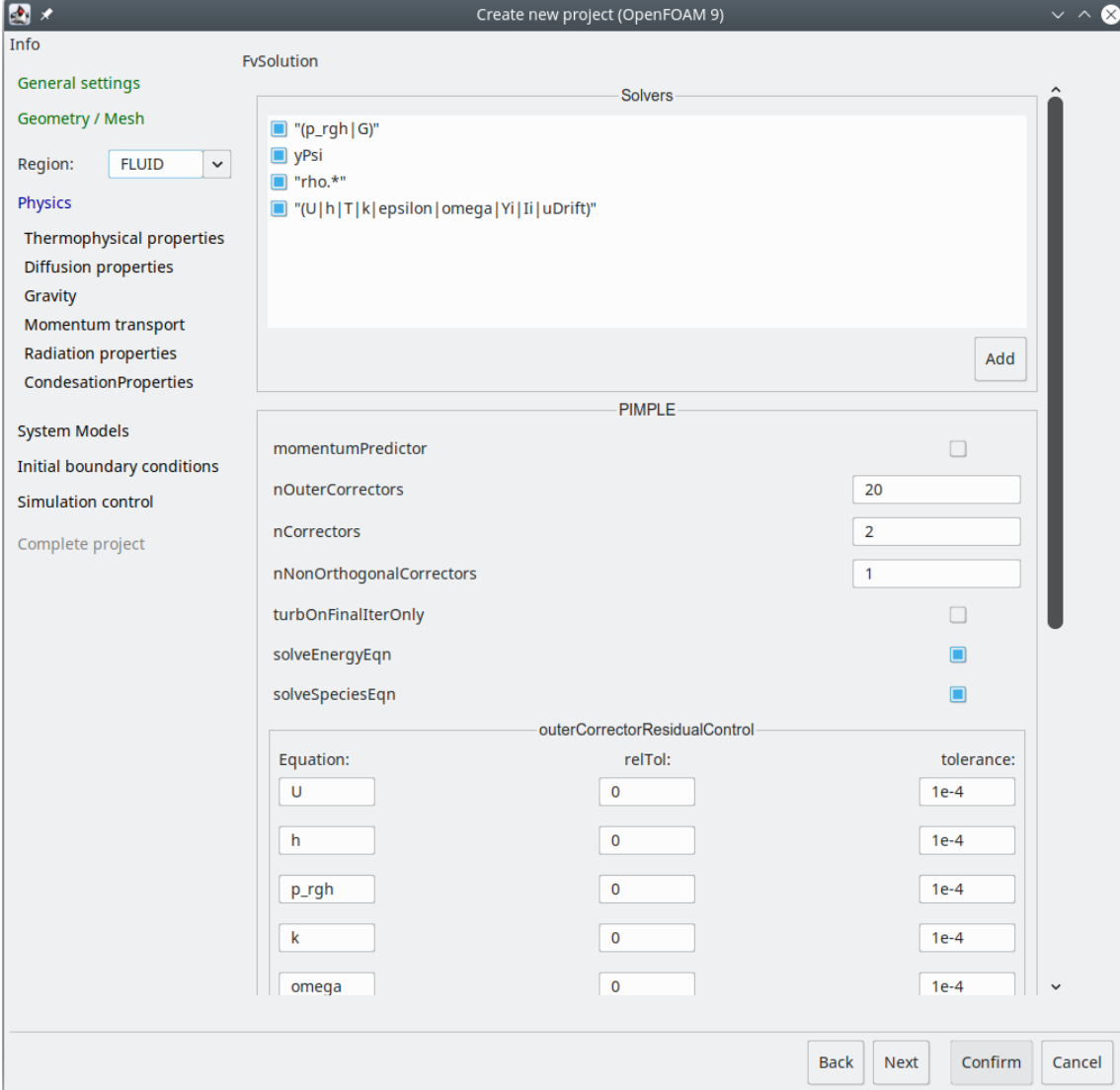
- Mesh import
- Material properties
- Model definition
- System models
- Consistent IC & BC specification
  - Predefined boundary types (,condensing wall', ,inlet' etc.)
  - csv import, table editor, global variables..



# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Guided Case Setup

- Mesh import
- Material properties
- Model definition
- System models
- Consistent IC & BC specification
- Numerics and simulation control
  - Include predefined functionObjects (e.g. massBalance)
  - Best practice for numerical settings (fvSchemes and fvSolution)



The screenshot shows the 'Create new project (OpenFOAM 9)' dialog box. The 'FvSolution' configuration panel is active, showing the following settings:

- Solvers:** A list of solvers with checkboxes: "(p\_rgh|G)", "yPsi", "rho,\*", and "(U|h|T|k|epsilon|omega|Yi|Ii|uDrift)".
- PIMPLE:** A section with several options and input fields:
  - momentumPredictor:
  - nOuterCorrectors:
  - nCorrectors:
  - nNonOrthogonalCorrectors:
  - turbOnFinalIterOnly:
  - solveEnergyEqn:
  - solveSpeciesEqn:
- outerCorrectorResidualControl:** A table of residual tolerances for various equations.

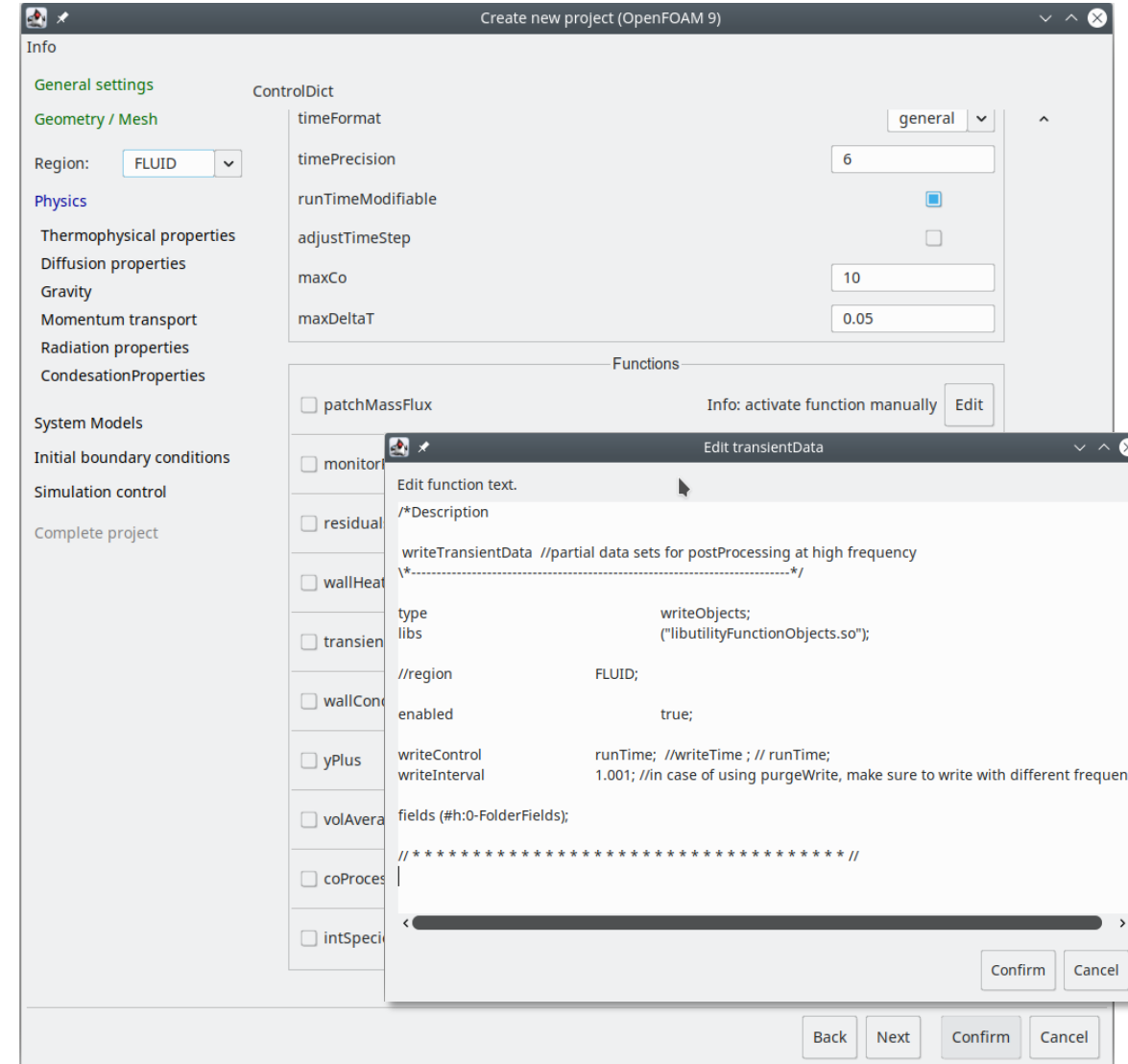
Equation:	relTol:	tolerance:
U	0	1e-4
h	0	1e-4
p_rgh	0	1e-4
k	0	1e-4
omega	0	1e-4

At the bottom of the dialog, there are four buttons: 'Back', 'Next', 'Confirm', and 'Cancel'.

# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Consistent, standardized Case Setup and Knowledge Preservation

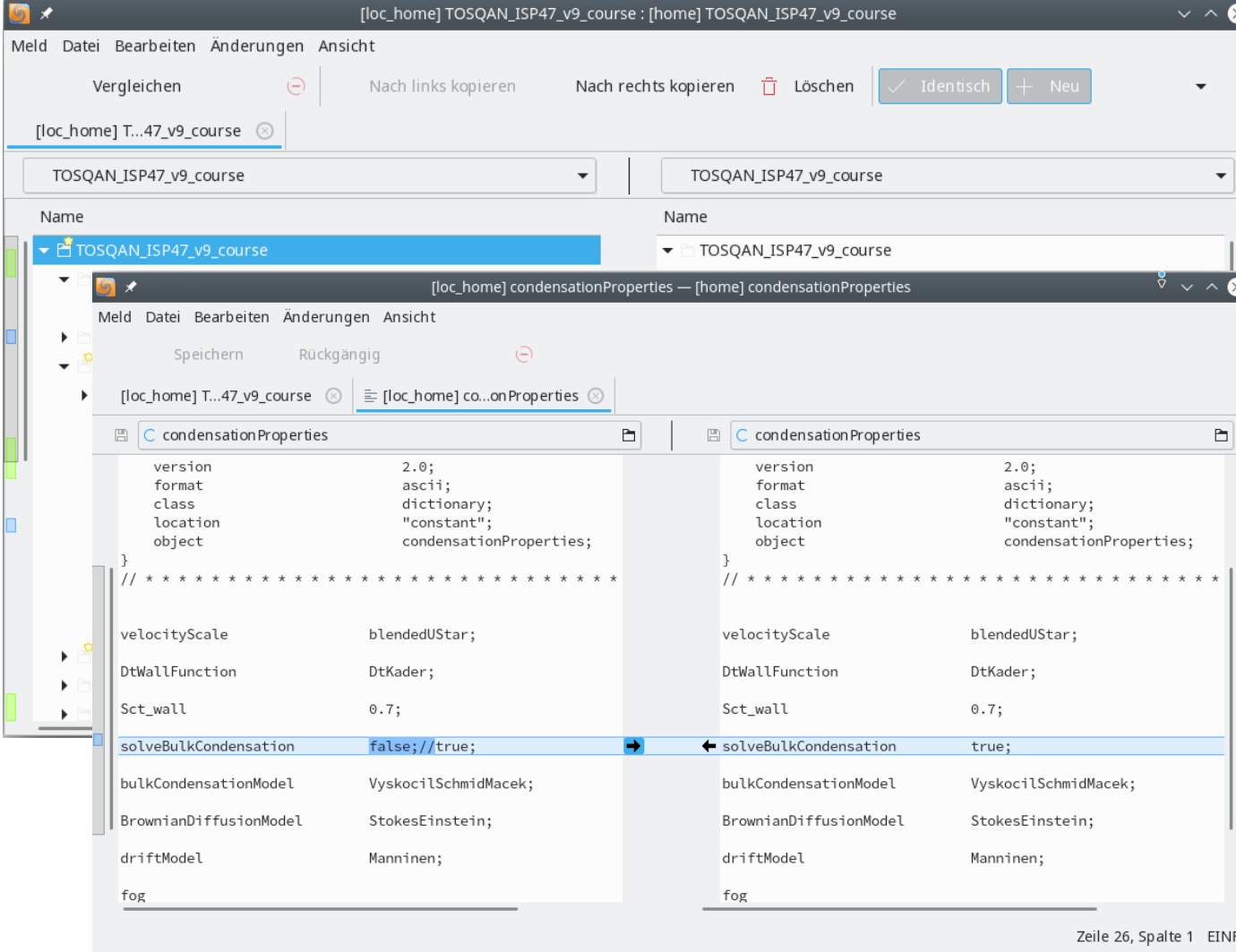
- Mesh import
  - Material properties
  - Model definition
  - System models
  - Consistent IC & BC specification
  - Numerics and simulation control
  - Co/postprocessing (functionObjects)
  - Further model integration ongoing
- Fast, reproducible and validated case setup is fundamental requirement for code use, trustworthy analysis and support



# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Guided Case Setup – Concluding remarks

- The ‘cfGUI’ is intended to assist the user:
  - Understand ‘cfGUI’ as a kind of dynamic tutorial
  - Manual cloning and editing of existing cases is possible and a valid approach
  - To exploit full OF-functionality, manual edits are necessary (e.g. functionObjects)
  - Sometimes remaining syntax errors have to be resolved (version discrepancies with cF)
  - cfGUI aims to provide a starting point and fallback for case optimization
- Keep a copy of the created case and use tools like meld-merge / git to track changes for debugging



```
version          2.0;
format          ascii;
class           dictionary;
location        "constant";
object          condensationProperties;
}
// *****

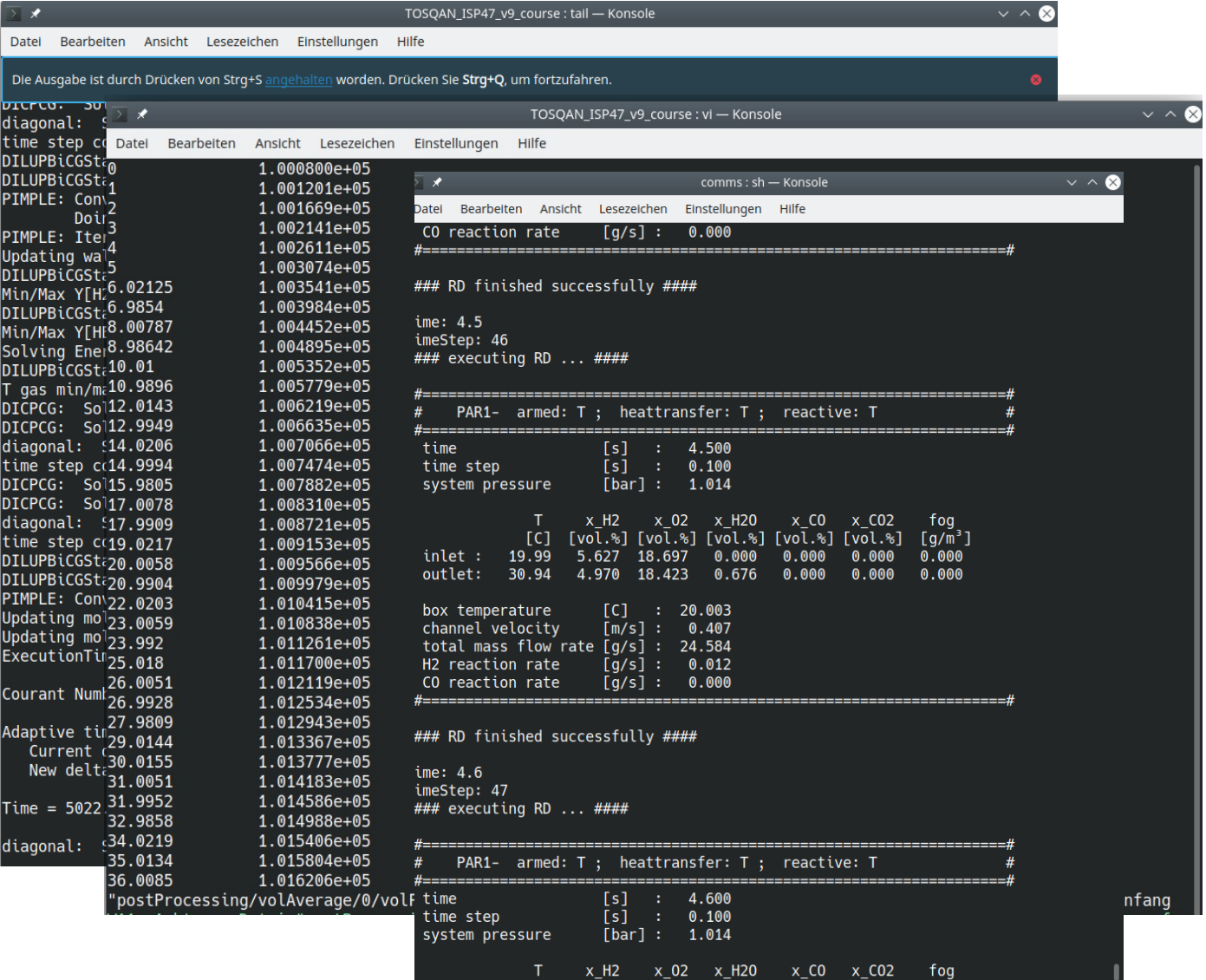
velocityScale    blendedUStar;
DtWallFunction  DtKader;
Sct_wall        0.7;
solveBulkCondensation false;//true;
bulkCondensationModel VyskocilSchmidMacek;
BrownianDiffusionModel StokesEinstein;
driftModel      Manninen;
fog
```

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# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Solution Monitor

- OpenFOAM provides relevant information at runtime,
  - Solver convergence and performance
  - functionObject output
  - coupled code logs
  - ..
- but:
  - trends are not visible
  - too much information
  - different formats
  - multiple windows ..
- Dedicated monitor for complex runs



The image shows three overlapping terminal windows from the OpenFOAM framework. The top window displays solver output for a case named 'TOSQAN\_ISP47\_v9\_course'. The middle window shows the output of a 'comms' functionObject, which reports reaction rates and system parameters. The bottom window shows the output of a 'postProcessing' functionObject, providing a summary of the simulation results.

```

TOSQAN_ISP47_v9_course : tail — Konsole
Datei Bearbeiten Ansicht Lesezeichen Einstellungen Hilfe
Die Ausgabe ist durch Drücken von Strg+S angehalten worden. Drücken Sie Strg+Q, um fortzufahren.


TOSQAN_ISP47_v9_course : vi — Konsole
Datei Bearbeiten Ansicht Lesezeichen Einstellungen Hilfe
DICPCG: Sol10.02125 1.000800e+05
diagonal: Sol10.9854 1.001201e+05
time step c11 1.001669e+05
DILUPBiCGSt1 1.002141e+05
PIMPLE: Com2 1.002611e+05
Dol3 1.003074e+05
PIMPLE: Iter4 1.003541e+05
Updating wa5 1.003984e+05
DILUPBiCGSt6 1.004452e+05
Min/Max Y[H]6.00787 1.004895e+05
DILUPBiCGSt7 1.005352e+05
Min/Max Y[H]8.98642 1.005779e+05
Solving Ener10.01 1.006219e+05
DILUPBiCGSt10.9896 1.006635e+05
T gas min/mc12.0143 1.007066e+05
DICPCG: Sol12.9949 1.007474e+05
diagonal: Sol12.9949 1.007882e+05
DICPCG: Sol12.9949 1.008310e+05
time step c14.9994 1.008721e+05
DICPCG: Sol15.9805 1.009153e+05
diagonal: Sol17.0078 1.009566e+05
DICPCG: Sol17.0078 1.009979e+05
time step c19.0217 1.010415e+05
DILUPBiCGSt20.0058 1.010838e+05
DILUPBiCGSt20.9904 1.011261e+05
PIMPLE: Com22.0203 1.011700e+05
Updating mo23.0059 1.012119e+05
Updating mo23.992 1.012534e+05
ExecutionTi25.018 1.012943e+05
Courant Numl26.0051 1.013367e+05
26.9928 1.013777e+05
27.9809 1.014183e+05
Adaptive ti29.0144 1.014586e+05
Current C30.0155 1.014988e+05
New deltc31.0051 1.015406e+05
31.9952 1.015804e+05
Time = 5022 32.9858 1.016206e+05
diagonal: Sol34.0219 1.016206e+05
35.0134
36.0085

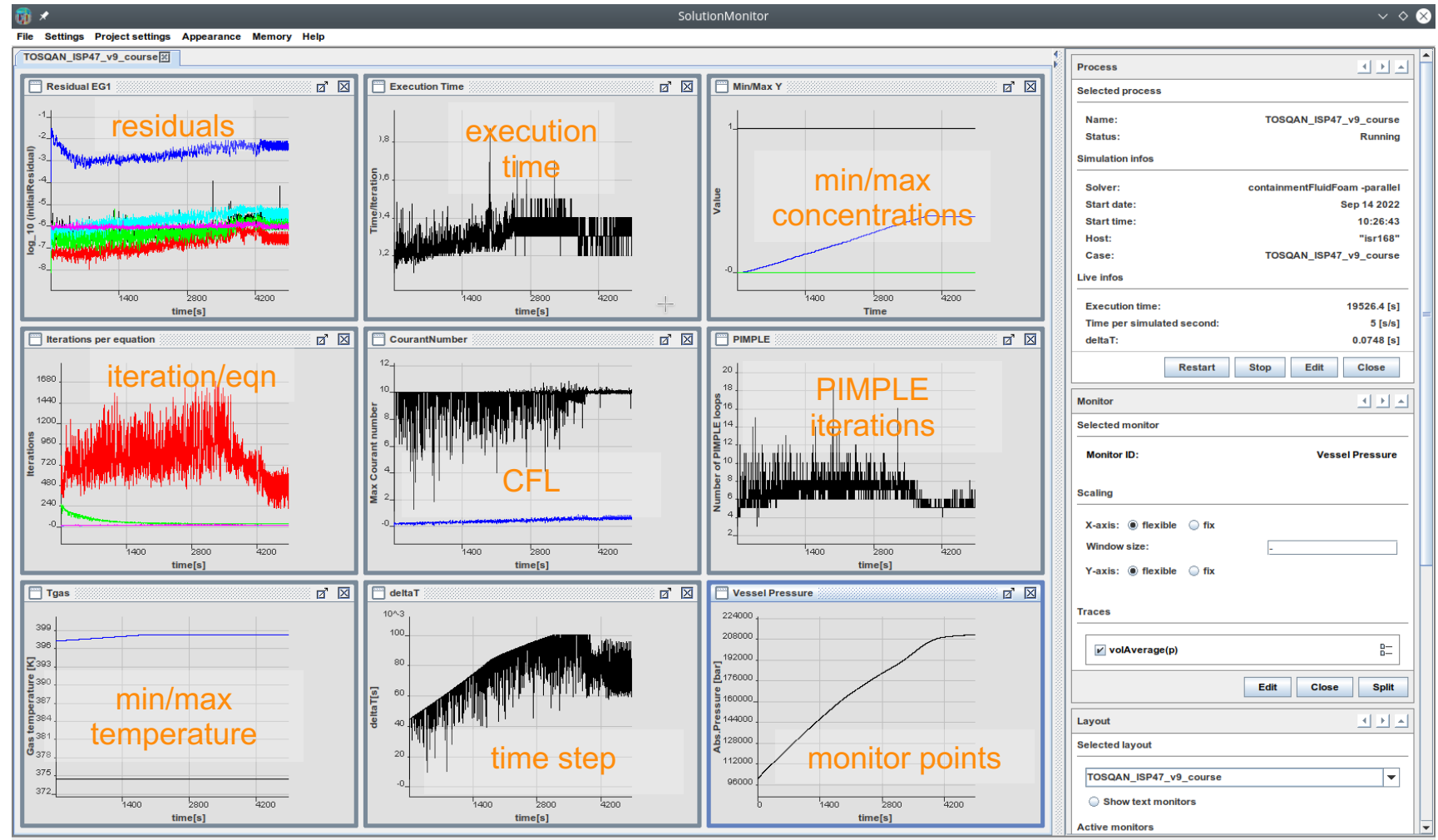
comms : sh — Konsole
Datei Bearbeiten Ansicht Lesezeichen Einstellungen Hilfe
CO reaction rate [g/s] : 0.000
#####
### RD finished successfully ###
ime: 4.5
imeStep: 46
### executing RD ... ###
#####
# PAR1- armed: T ; heattransfer: T ; reactive: T #
#####
time [s] : 4.500
time step [s] : 0.100
system pressure [bar] : 1.014
T x_H2 x_O2 x_H2O x_CO x_CO2 fog
[C] [vol.%) [vol.%) [vol.%) [vol.%) [vol.%) [g/m³]
inlet : 19.99 5.627 18.697 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
outlet: 30.94 4.970 18.423 0.676 0.000 0.000 0.000
box temperature [C] : 20.003
channel velocity [m/s] : 0.407
total mass flow rate [g/s] : 24.584
H2 reaction rate [g/s] : 0.012
CO reaction rate [g/s] : 0.000
#####
### RD finished successfully ###
ime: 4.6
imeStep: 47
### executing RD ... ###
#####
# PAR1- armed: T ; heattransfer: T ; reactive: T #
#####
time [s] : 4.600
time step [s] : 0.100
system pressure [bar] : 1.014
T x_H2 x_O2 x_H2O x_CO x_CO2 fog
#####
nfang

```

# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK


## Solution Monitor

- Based on **OpenJDK**  and **jchart2D**  
(<http://jchart2d.sourceforge.net/>)
- Streams OpenFOAM logs, functionObject output and in principle any text log



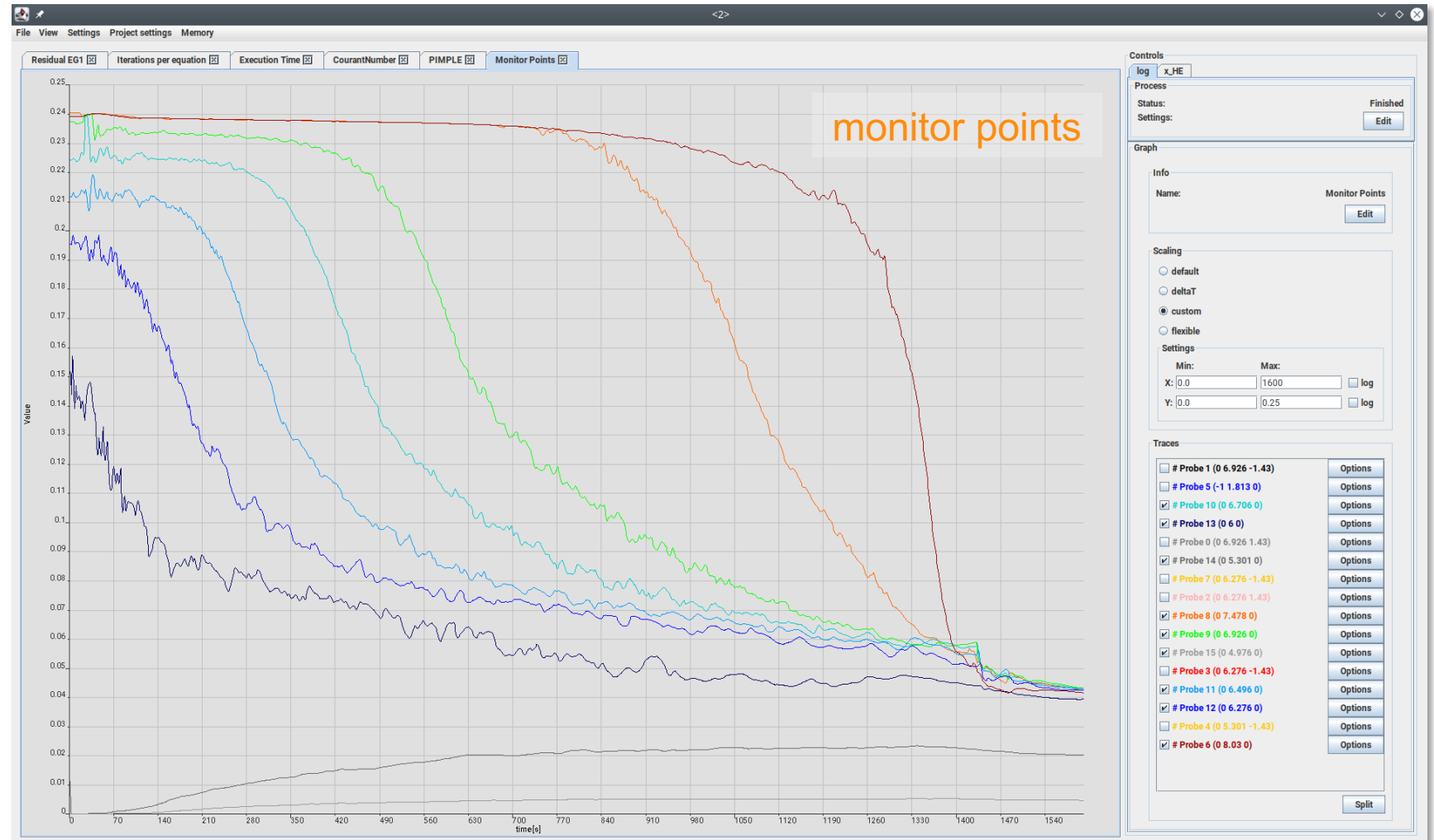
# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

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- Tab and Grid view
- Monitor multiple runs in parallel





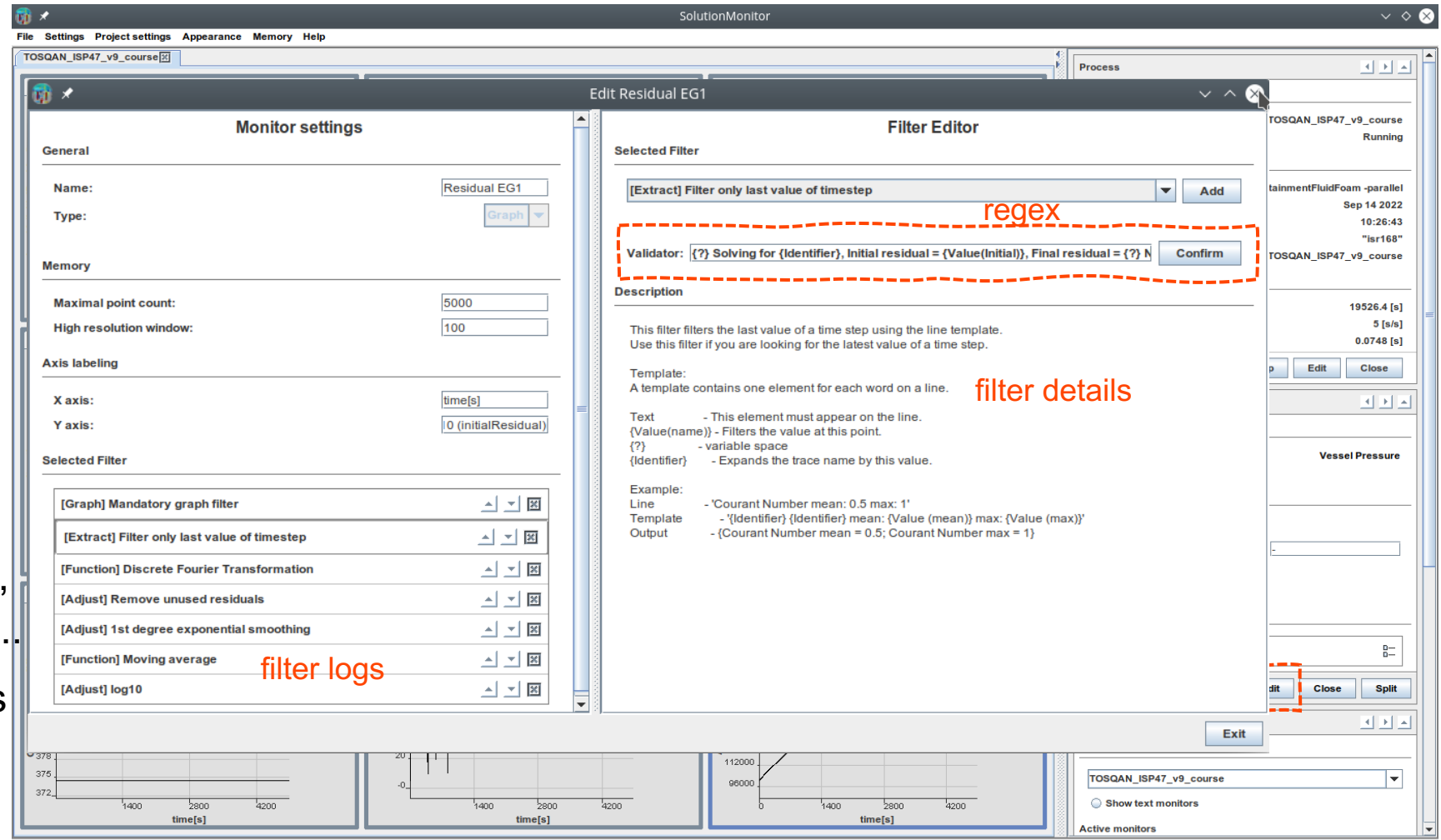
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- Flexible RegEx syntax
- Filters, e.g. moving average, exponential smoothing, FFT...
- Save/load customized views (session files)




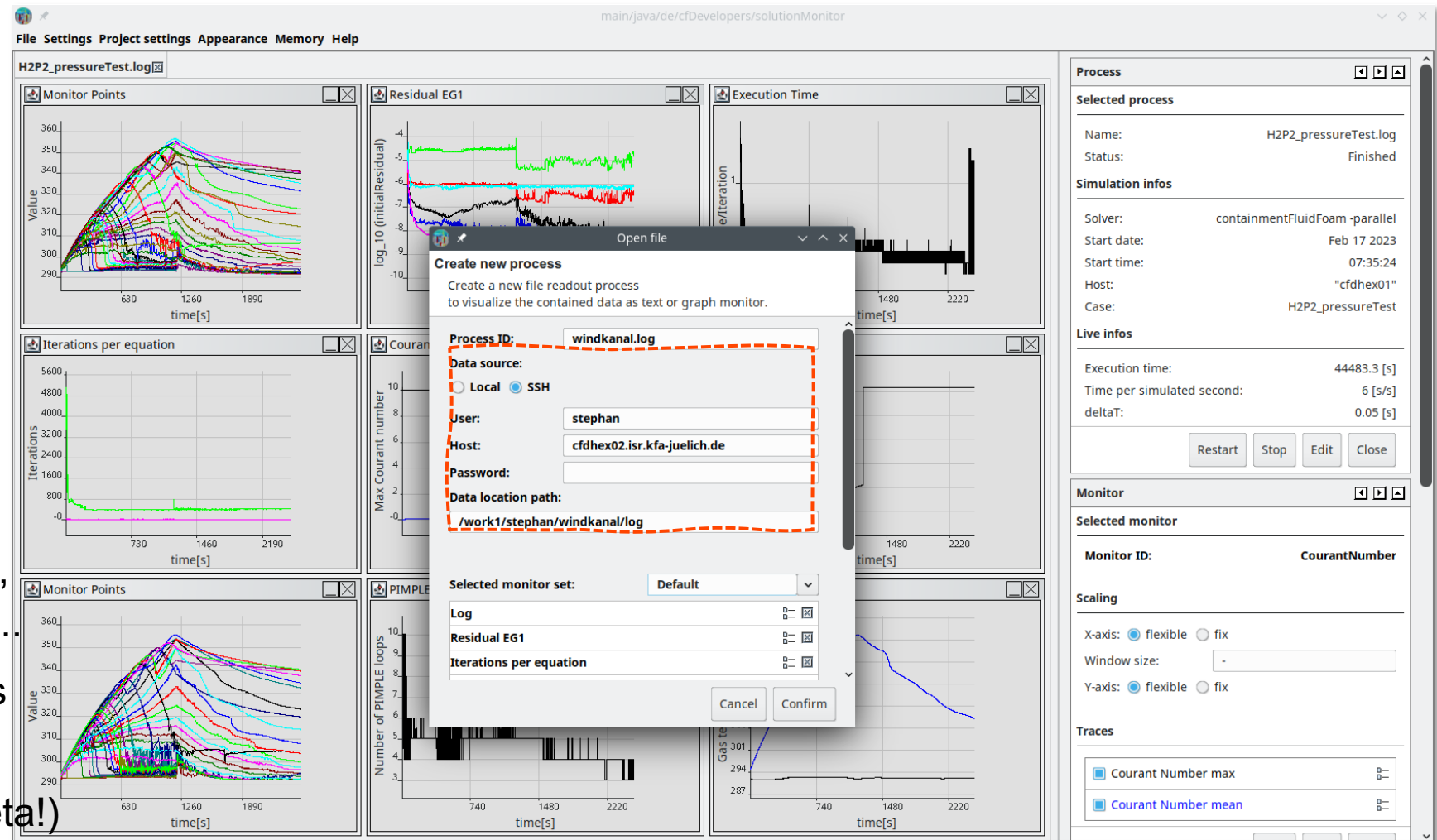
The screenshot displays the Solution Monitor application interface. The main window is titled "Edit Residual EG1". It is divided into several sections:

- Monitor settings:** Contains fields for Name (Residual EG1), Type (Graph), Memory (Maximal point count: 5000, High resolution window: 100), Axis labeling (X axis: time[s], Y axis: 0 (initialResidual)), and a list of filters. The filter "[Adjust] log10" is highlighted with the text "filter logs".
- Filter Editor:** Shows the selected filter "[Extract] Filter only last value of timestep". The Validator field contains a regex: "{?} Solving for {Identifier}, Initial residual = {Value(Initial)}, Final residual = {?} N". This field is highlighted with a dashed orange box and the text "regex". The Description field contains: "This filter filters the last value of a time step using the line template. Use this filter if you are looking for the latest value of a time step." The Template field contains: "A template contains one element for each word on a line." This section is highlighted with the text "filter details".
- Process:** Shows the current process "TOSQAN\_ISP47\_v9\_course" running.
- Graphs:** At the bottom, there are three line graphs showing data over time (0 to 4200 seconds).

# CONTAINMENTFOAM FRAMEWORK

## Solution Monitor

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- remote monitoring (ssh – beta!)



# OUTLINE


- Severe Accidents and Containment Analysis
- Development of containment  $\nabla$ F $\oplus$ AM
- Theoretical Background
  - Buoyancy driven turbulent multi-species flows
  - Condensation processes
  - Thermal radiation
  - System models (PARs, code coupling, burst discs, porous models)
- containment  $\nabla$ F $\oplus$ AM framework
  - repository
  - cfGUI and cfSolutionMonitor
- Summary and Conclusions

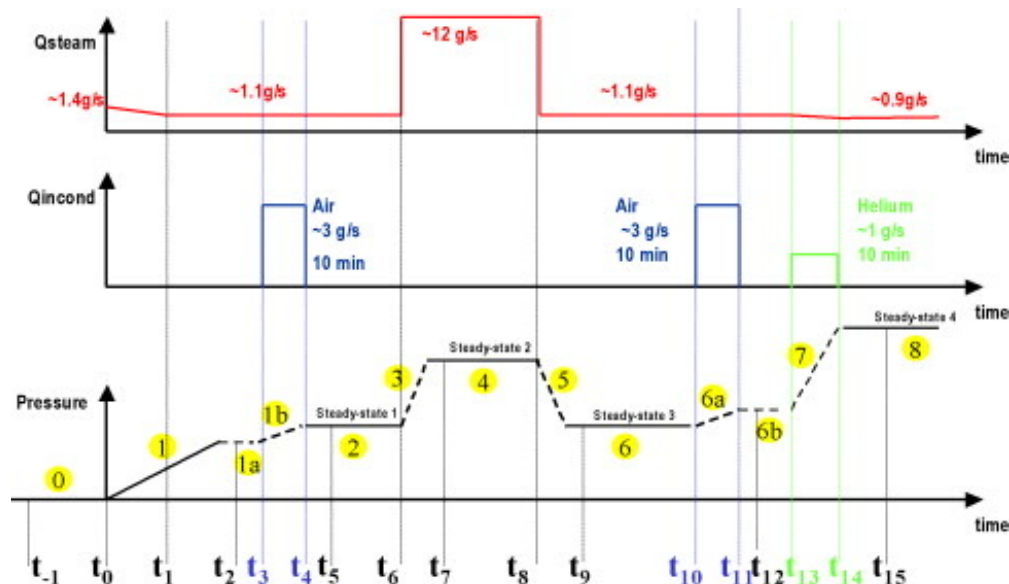
# SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

- containment  $\nabla F$  AM is developed to analyze containment pressurization, flows, H<sub>2</sub>/CO and aerosol behavior in dry PWR containments
  - Support experiments & transfer of experimental results to plant scale
  - Investigate interaction of physical phenomena and safety systems under representative conditions
  - Assess effectiveness of (passive) safety systems and measures
- tailored and well integrated model basis for expected containment conditions
  - Physical (CFD) models
  - Models for system feedback
- future work: revision and extension of model basis towards iPWR safety assessment
- summary of best practices and standard procedures provided as a starting point

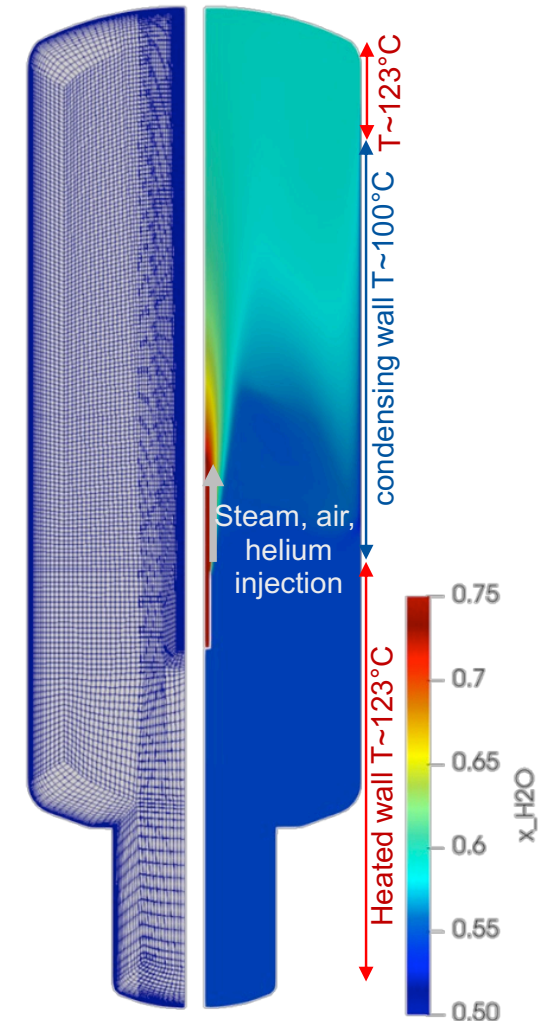
# TRY YOURSELF - TOSQAN-ISP47

## Introduction

- ISP-47 on containment thermal hydraulics - TOSQAN (7m<sup>3</sup>) tests
  - Reference  Malet et al. NED(240), pp.3209–3220, 2010, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nucengdes.2010.05.061>
  - Aim: ‘Separate effect tests’ for wall condensation under different conditions to aid more complex analysis of MISTRA (100m<sup>3</sup>) and THAI (60m<sup>3</sup>) sequences
    - Series of transients and steady states:



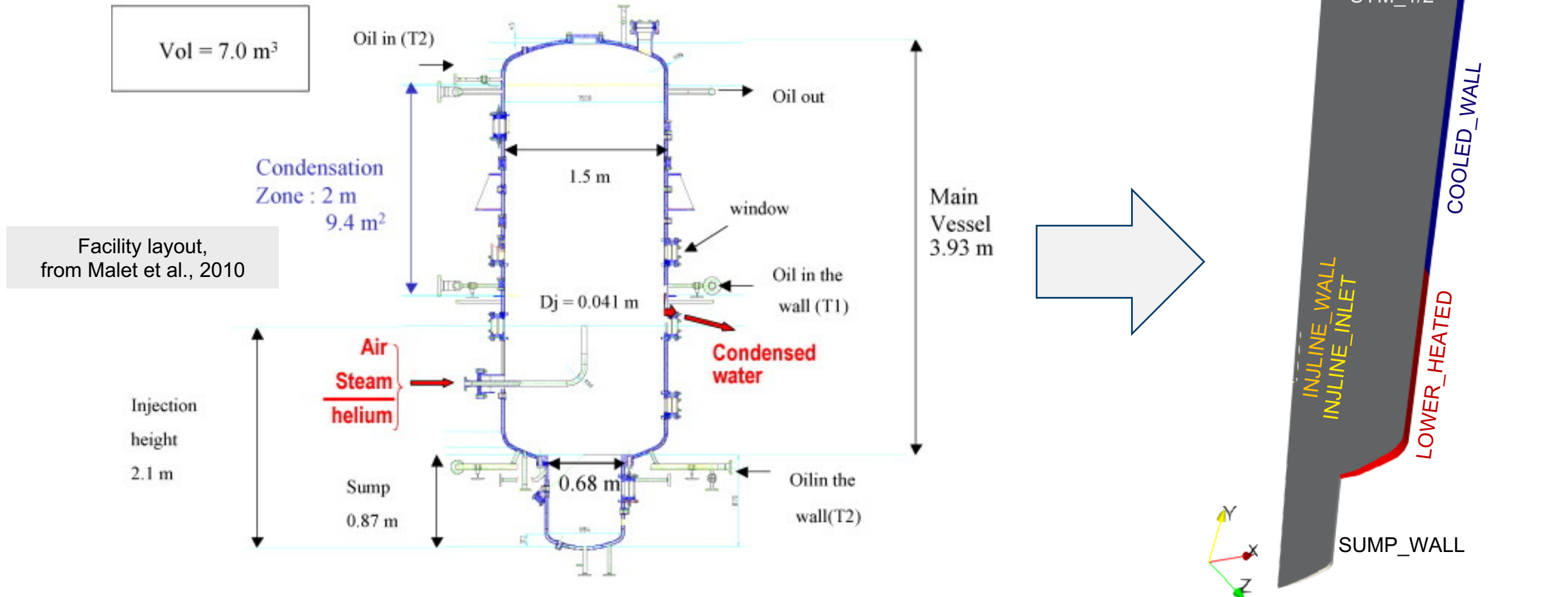
Test procedure,  
from Malet et al., 2010



# TRY YOURSELF - TOSQAN-ISP47

## Geometry and Mesh

- 2D axis-symmetric model:



Facility layout,  
from Malet et al., 2010

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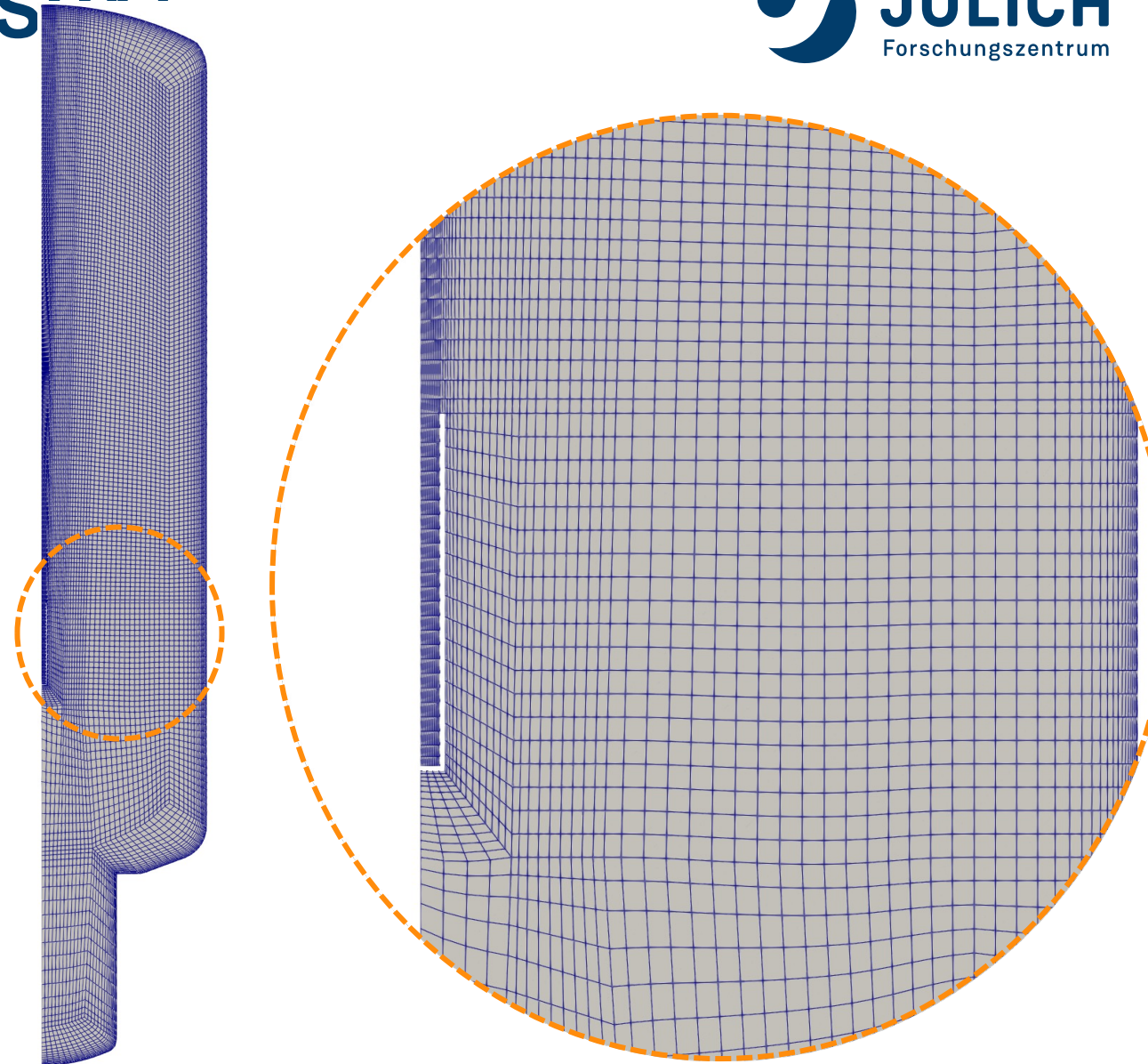
## Geometry and Mesh

- 2D axisymmetry, 6 deg mesh slice:
  - ~13450 cells
  - checkMesh output:

```
Checking patch topology for multiply connected surfaces...
Patch      Faces    Points  Surface topology
INNER_SUMP_WALL      30      61      ok (non-closed singly connected)
INNER_LOWER_HEATED_WALL68      138      ok (non-closed singly connected)
INNER_UPPER_HEATED_WALL62      125      ok (non-closed singly connected)
INNER_COOLED_WALL    99      200     ok (non-closed singly connected)
INJLINE_WALL         50      101     ok (non-closed singly connected)
INJLINE_INLET        14       29     ok (non-closed singly connected)
SYM_1                13684   13963   ok (non-closed singly connected)
SYM_2                13684   13963   ok (non-closed singly connected)

Checking geometry...
Overall domain bounding box (0 0 -0.039252) (0.748972 4.81549 0.039252)
Mesh has 2 geometric (non-empty/wedge) directions (1 1 0)
Mesh has 3 solution (non-empty) directions (1 1 1)
Wedge SYM_1 with angle 3 degrees
Wedge SYM_2 with angle 3 degrees
All edges aligned with or perpendicular to non-empty directions.
Boundary openness (-1.28547e-16 -2.84232e-19 5.1679e-15) OK.
Max cell openness = 1.0891e-15 OK.
Max aspect ratio = 69.5939 OK.
Minimum face area = 1.12061e-07. Maximum face area = 0.00272496. Face area magnitudes OK.
Min volume = 7.13296e-10. Max volume = 4.80798e-05. Total volume = 0.116843. Cell volumes OK.
Mesh non-orthogonality Max: 49.2529 average: 14.2296
Non-orthogonality check OK.
Face pyramids OK.
Max skewness = 2.49629 OK.
Coupled point location match (average 0) OK.

Mesh OK.
```



# TRY YOURSELF - TOSQAN-ISP47

## Initial and Boundary Conditions

- Available information:

**Table 3**  
Wall temperature characteristics.

Stage	Description	Ref. time	Calculation times (s)	Mean condensing wall temperature (°C)	Mean upper non condensing wall temperature (°C)	Mean lower non condensing wall temperature (°C)
0	Initial phase	$t_{-1} - t_0$	-600 to 0	101.3 ± 1.0	122.0 ± 1.0	123.5 ± 1.0
1	Transient 1	$t_0 - t_1$	0-1800	1.40-1.14, linear function of time	124 ± 3	-
1+1a	Transient 1 + short steady-state 1a	$t_1 - t_3$	1800-5000	1.14 ± 0.05	125 ± 3	-
1b	Transient-air	$t_3 - t_4$	5000-5600	1.14 ± 0.05	125 ± 3	3.16 ± 0.02
2	Steady-state 1	$t_4 - t_6$	5600-6500	1.11 ± 0.10	126 ± 0	-
3+4	Transient 2 and steady-state 2	$t_6 - t_8$	6500-9500	12.27 ± 0.12	132 ± 0	-
5	Transient 3	$t_8 - t_9$	9500-12000	1.11 ± 0.11	131 ± 0	-
6	Steady-state 3	$t_9 - t_{10}$	12000-13000	1.11 ± 0.06	126 ± 0	-
6a	Transient-air					3.16 ± 0.02
6b	Short steady-state					-
7	Transient 4					1.03 ± 0.02
8	Steady-state 4					-

**Table 1**  
Initial conditions before steam injection (between  $t_{-1}$  and  $t_0$ , stage 0).

Absolute total pressure (bar)	1
Mean upper non condensing wall temperature (°C)	122.0
Mean lower non condensing wall temperature (°C)	123.5
Mean condensing wall temperature (°C)	101.3
Mean gas temperature (°C)	115.4
Air volume fraction (%)	100
Helium and steam volume fraction (%)	0

IC and BC,  
from Malet et al., 2010



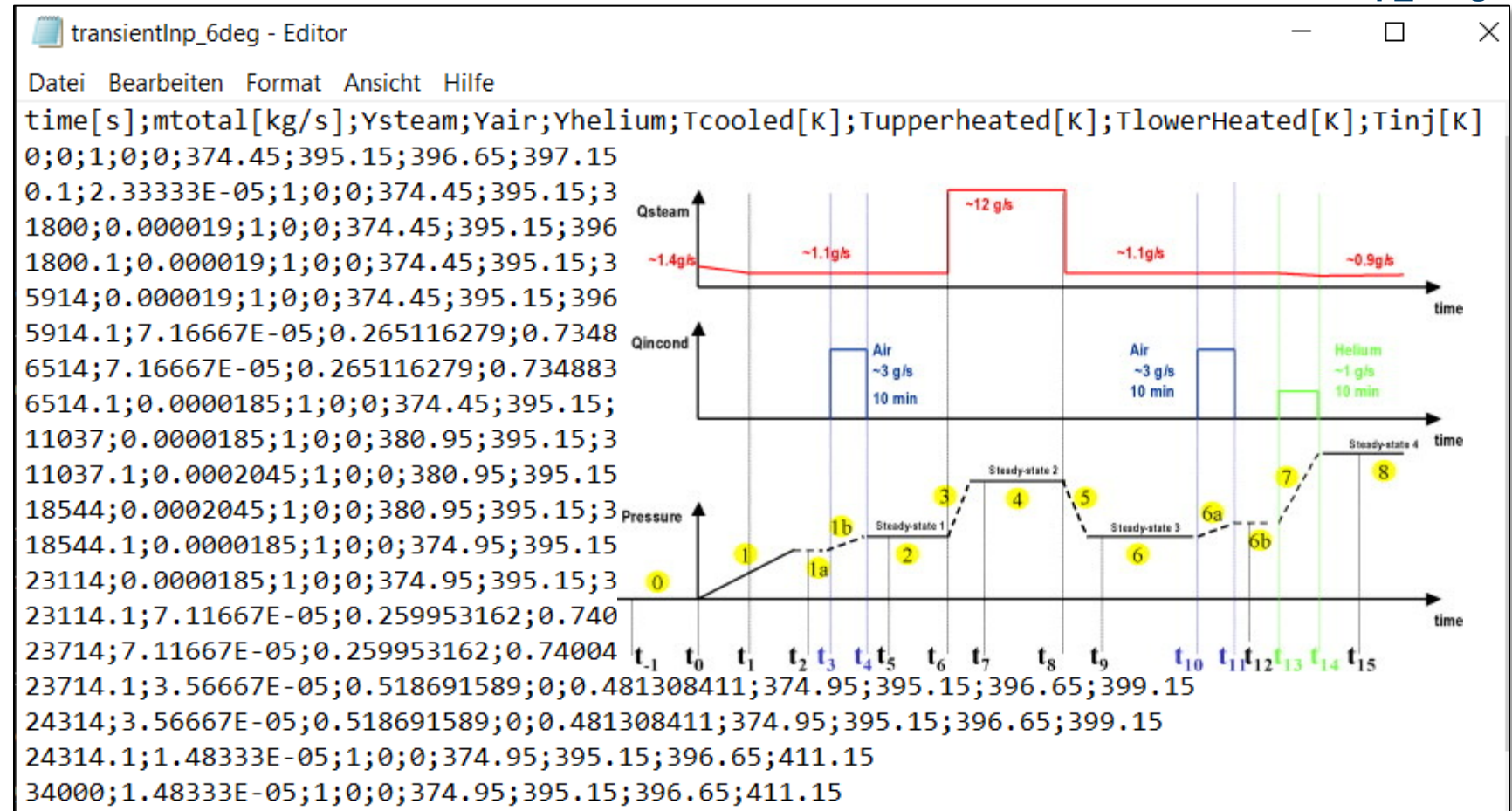
# TRY YOURSELF - TOSQAN-ISP47

## Initial and Boundary Conditions

### Boundary conditions transformed into csv format:

- SI units
- mfr reduced for 6° slice
- linear interpolation between time points (short intermediate times)

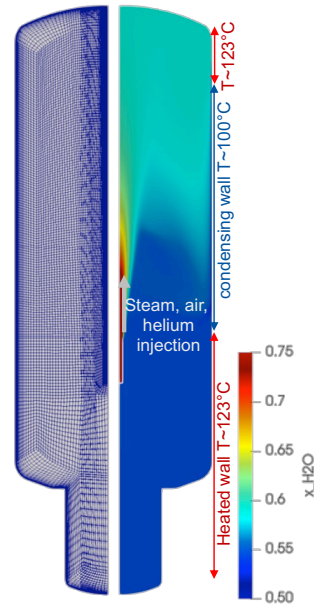
transientInp\_6deg



# HANDS-ON TOSQAN-ISP47

## Running & postProcessing

- Postprocessing / evaluation:
  - Vessel pressure evolution
  - Mass balance
  - $y^+$  values



TOSQAN-ISP 47 scenario (l) and pressurization transient (r),

