

Multiphysics Computational Fluid Dynamics Solution Product Brochure

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The Role of CFD in Engineering

One of the foremost expectations of today's successful product driven companies is that they bring high value-added products, that meet customer needs, quickly to the market. In addition, successful companies proactively identify application scenarios that could result in unsatisfactory performance, product failures, customer dissatisfaction and/or develop design solutions that mitigate the potential risks.

Thermo-fluid analysis software

Since software simulation enables predicting performance without creating a hardware prototype, the tools can be used early in the planning state of product development to sift through preliminary design concepts. Simulation can also be used to predict performance of products where it is difficult to make experimental measurements. In addition, simulation software can be used to visualize invisible fluid flow and heat transfer. This results in increased engineering understanding while providing a vehicle for communicating this knowledge to non-experts.



Figure. Example of comparison between analysis cases Comparison of pressure at an intake port with different engine valve lift

Where does thermo-fluid analysis software come into play?

Thermo-fluid analysis software is indispensable for "Front-loading" product development to ensure the best product concepts that are identified early in the design process. Design quality will be improved during the conceptual design phase by conducting basic studies of fluid and thermal phenomena that directly affect product performance. During the detailed design phase, analyses are conducted under conditions similar to what the actual product will experience. From this work, design engineers can understand the source of problems that limit performance and investigate alternate design solutions before production begins.



Figure. Product development process

Structured and unstructured mesh: the differences

Software Cradle offers two different types of thermo-fluid analysis tools: scSTREAM and HeatDesigner with structured mesh, scFLOW and SC/Tetra with unstructured mesh.

Structured mesh is simple and easy to construct. Structured mesh is comprised of many small cuboids so it can only approximate curved or angled surfaces with stair-case patterns. It is most useful for applications where tiny details and surface curvature or angles do not have a strong effect on the overall results. Examples of applications for structured mesh include electronics cooling, HVAC, and architecture.

Unstructured mesh is created using polyhedral elements. Mesh is generated such that it fits along the ridge lines of the original geometry. As a result, unstructured mesh is used for applications where precise representation of geometry is crucial. Examples of applications for unstructured mesh include vehicle aerodynamics, fan blade designs, and flows inside ducts.



Figure. Differences between meshing methods



Products

Software Cradle develops and provides thermo-fluid simulation software and optional tools that suit various industries and objectives.

Thermo-fluid simulation software and main peripheral tools



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Is your analysis tool useful in years to come?

scSTREAM and HeatDesigner have proven track records for incorporating the latest leading edge technology

scSTREAM HeatDesigner

scSTREAM thermo-fluid software has serviced the electronics and architectural industries for more than thirty years. The ever-evolving software is characterized by its overwhelmingly user-friendly interfaces and high speed processing. HeatDesigner is based on scSTREAM and is specially developed for thermal design of electronics products. HeatDesigner provides physical functions required only for thermal design with its simple interfaces and powerful computing performance.

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Various methods to represent shapes

The shape of a model to be analyzed can be represented by using the following methods: voxel method (slanted faces and curved faces are represented in cuboids), cutcell method (the shape of a model created with a CAD tool can be represented more accurately), and finite element model method (a model of an arbitrary shape defined with unstructured mesh can be overlapped on a model defined with structured mesh to use the shape created with a CAD tool as is).

Large-scale calculation

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In structured mesh, even a complicated model does not need to be modified almost at all and the shape or the scale of a model does not affect the difficulty of mesh generation. In addition, Solver performs a calculation at a high speed in parallel computing and achieves effective processing as the speed increases depending on the number of subdomains.



Moving objects

A flow generated by a moving rigid object can be calculated. Conditions including the motions of an object (translation, rotation, and elastic deformation), heat generation/absorption, and air supply/return can be set. The model of a moving object is created on another mesh. In this way, conditions such as the distance that the object moves are limited very little.





6-degree-of-freedom motion (6DOF)

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The function can analyze passive translation and rotation of an object receiving a fluid force. A moving object is assumed to be a rigid body. Its movement whose maximum degree of freedom is six (3D translation + 3D rotation) can be solved. The function can simulate driftwood which is flowed by a force from water flow.





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ST : scSTREAM HD : HeatDesigner



Multiblock

Mesh can be refined partially to represent a model shape more accurately and perform a calculation more efficiently.



Discrete element method (DEM) ST

Multiphase analyses can be performed, which enables coupling of fluid analysis and flow analysis of particles.

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Parts library

The shapes and conditions of frequently used parts can be registered. Conditions include the allocation position, material, and heat generation.

HeatPathView

The information on temperature of each part and a comprehensive amount of heat release obtained in post-processing of a general CFD analysis is not enough to know the heat path. HeatPathView displays heat paths and the amount of heat transfer in the whole computational domain in a diagram, a graph, and a table, allowing you to find the bottleneck of the heat paths easily.

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Reading wiring patterns

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To calculate heat transfer conditions depending on wiring patterns of a printed circuit board (PCB) in detail, the module can read Gerber data output from an electric CAD tool and import the data as a model for a thermo-fluid analysis. By using Gerber data, a more realistic calculation result can be obtained with the consideration of heat transfer affected by an uneven wiring pattern.



ElectronicPartsMaker

The tool can create detailed models of semiconductor packages including QFP, SOP, and BGA by specifying parameters, and simplified models using thermal resistor models such as DELPHI models and two-resistor models. Manufacturers of semiconductor packages can provide the data of semiconductor packages as thermal resistor models without releasing the inside information.



Radiation

Radiation heat transfer with the consideration of diffusion, reflection, transmission, refraction, and absorption can be calculated. VF (view factor) method and FLUX method^{*1} can be used. The lamp function can simulate radiant heat by a filament without detailed shape information of a lamp. In addition to the filament, laser beam and defective radiation specified by half-value angle can be used as a heat source model.



^{*1} Only for scSTREAM

scSTREAM HeatDesigner

Using structure function from measurement

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Modeling of electronic device is possible by converting result data of heat change over time used for transient heat resistance measurement^{*1} into structure function (thermal resistance - heat capacity characteristics). Accurate thermal model can be generated by comparing test and analysis data on the basis of structure function.



¹ Measurement device is not included

Electronic part model

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A wide range of models are available that enable to easily achieve thermal design of printed circuit boards and electronical enclosures, which includes DELPHI (multiresistor) model, Peltier device and heat pipes. It is possible to consider pressure loss characteristics using slits, and P-Q characteristics of fans using swirling component. Generated models can be added in library.



BIM

The software interface supports BIM 2.0. Autodesk® Revit® and GRAPHISOFT ARCHICAD have a direct interface (optional) through which a target part can be selected and the tree structure can be kept and simplified. In addition, the module can load files in IFC format, which is the BIM-standard format.



Illuminance analysis

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The software can calculate illuminance of various types of light; for example, daylight through an opening of a building and artificial lighting with consideration of its directivity. Object surfaces such as walls are treated as diffusive reflection surfaces. In general, the larger an opening of a building is, the larger heat loss tends to be. By calculating the illuminance, the balance between heat and light can be examined collectively.





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Air-conditioner parts (CFD parts)

The model shapes of parts frequently used for room airconditioning can be imported. The models include ceiling cassettes, anemostat models, and linear diffusers. The software can import CFD part data, such as air supply characteristics, provided by SHASE. Various parameters can be set to simulate air-conditioning operation in addition to simple air heating and cooling.



* SHASE: Society of Heating, Air-Conditioning and Sanitary Engineers of Japan

Thermal comfort, heat stress risk and ventilation efficiency indices

Comfort indices PMV and SET* can be derived from already obtained temperature, humidity, and MRT (Mean Radiant Temperature), as one of result-processing functions. WBGT (heat stress risk indices), and the scale for ventilation efficiency (SVE), of which some

indices can be converted to a real time, can be set by one click, and the range of calculation area can be selected (for example, either one of two rooms).



Plant canopy model (flow and heat)

Air resistance caused by plant canopy can be considered by setting the coefficient of friction and the leaf area density. For frequently used plants such as oak tree, their parameters are preset as the recommended values. The software also simulates the cooling effect by the latent heat of vaporization on a leaf surface by using the fixed temperature and setting the amount of absorbed heat. The function can be used for analyses of outdoor

wind environment and heat island effect.



Solar radiation (ASHRAE, NEDO)

Climate data published by ASHRAE and NEDO is preset and can be used for condition setting. By entering arbitrary values of longitude, latitude, date, and time, the solar altitude and the azimuth angle of the sun at a specified location and time are calculated automatically. The effect of solar radiation can be examined in detail. Various parameters including absorption and

reflectivity of solar radiation and materials which transmit light diffusely, such as frosted glass, can be set.

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Humidity / dew condensation

The software can analyze humidity in the air. Dew condensation and evaporation on a wall surface due to temperature change can be considered and the amount of dew condensation and evaporation per time can be obtained. The software supports the analyses of moisture transfer inside a solid, and the function can be used to analyze

a permeable object and dew condensation inside a part.



WindTool

(outdoor wind environment assessment tool)

This tool helps assess outdoor wind environment. The assessment criteria can be selected from the ones proposed by Murakami et al. and by Wind Engineering Institute. By specifying a base shape and parameters required for wind environment evaluation, the parameters for 16 directions are calculated and the wind environment is ranked automatically. Detailed distributions of

air current and pressure per direction can be visualized.



scSTREAM HeatDesigner

Electrostatic field

In addition to fluid force, the effect of an electrostatic field, which applies external force to charged particles, can be considered. By setting electric charge of particles and electric potential of a wall surface, the function can be used for analyses to consider area control of electrostatic coating. Velocity at which charged particles do not adhere on a wall surface can also be examined by using the function.



Mapping

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When a target phenomenon is in a small range and the phenomenon is affected by a wide range of its surrounding area, analysis results of the surrounding area can be used for an analysis of the target phenomenon as boundary conditions to decrease the calculation load. To analyze only the inside of an enclosure for an electronic device highly affected by its outside, the analysis results of the outside can be used as boundary conditions.



Flow of foaming resin

The software calculates the behavior of filling up an object with foaming resin, which is used as a heat insulator for houses and refrigerators. To examine speed and pressure of filling-up and the position for injecting the resin, the software simulates the behavior in 3D. The simulation can provide more pieces of information in shorter time than an actual measurement.

Free surface

The software calculates the shape of an interface between a gas and a liquid. Either MARS or VOF method can be used, and the calculation target phase can be selected: both gas and liquid, only gas, or only liquid. The function is useful in a wide range of fields: from an analysis of tsunami in the civil engineering and construction field to an analysis of soldering in the electronic device field.





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Solidification / melting

The phase change between fluid and solid, for example, water to ice and ice to water, can be considered. The following phenomena related to solidification/melting can be considered: change of flow affected by a solidified region, change of melting speed depending on the flow status, and latent heat at melting. A phenomenon that water in an ice maker becomes ice can be simulated using the function.

Boiling / condensation

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(bubble nucleation, bubble growth / condensation)

With the function, the user can analyze a boiling flow, which is a gas-liquid two-phase flow caused by temperature difference between a liquid and a heat conduction surface. A boiling flow is analyzed as a free surface analysis using MARS method, and latent heat generation and volume change due to bubble growth / condensation are considered using phase change model.



Particle tracking

The software simulates the behavior of particles depending on their characteristics (diameter, density, and sedimentation speed) and action/reaction between particles and a fluid. This includes sedimentation due to gravity, inertial force for mass particles, and movement due to electrostatic force, liquefaction at adhering on a wall surface, evaporation and latent heat, the behavior as bubbles in a liquid for charged particles.



Material properties and motion conditions can be applied to a panel having no thickness in model, which allows for heat conduction to other parts and heat dissipation to air. This enables the simulations of paper feeding and film drying processes, where thin objects move and go under heating repetitively.





* Transfer and thermal transport are only available on scSTREAM

Functions (scSTREAM, HeatDesinger)

			scSTREAM	HeatDesigner
		CAD data Interface (import)	Parasolid, STEP, JT, STL, IGES, ACIS, CATIA V6, CATIA V5, CATIA V4, Creo Elements/Pro (Pro/Engineer), SOLIDWORKS, NX, Solid Edge, Inventor, DWG, DbY C2), 3D-face), JDM, VDAFS, SAGL, IDF, Autodesk Revit, ARCHICAD, BricsCAD, Nastran, SHAPE, 3ds, SketchUp, IFC, PRE, MDL, NRS, Gerber (R5:2740, NS:2740, JPC:2818)	Parasolid, STEP, JT, STL, IGES, ACIS, CATIA V6, CATIA V5, CATIA V4, Creo Element/Pro (Pro/Engineer), SOLIDWORKs, NX, Solid Edge, Inventor, DWG, DXF (20, 3D-Face), 3DM, VDAFS, XGL, IDF, MDL, NFB, Gerber (FS-274D, R5-274X), IPC-2581 B
		CAD data interface (export)	Parasolid, STL, MDL, NFB Cuboid, hexagon, cylinder, cone, sphere, revolved rectangle,	Parasolid, STL, MDL, NFB
	Modeling	Primitives	CLUDioid, nexagón, cylinider, cone, sphere, revolved rectangle, point, panel (orthogonal, quadrilateral), 25D solid part, pipe components, fan (flat, axial, blower), electronics (including chassis, thermal circuit model (two-resistor, DELPHI, multi-resistor), fin, slits, Peltier device, heat pipes), ali-conditioning appliances (including 4 way cassette, 2 way cassette, wall type, floor type, outdoor unit, anemostat, linear diffuser)	Cuboid, hexagon, cylinder, cone, sphere, point, panel (orthogonal, quadrilaterai), 2.5D solid part, pipe components, fan (flat, axial, blower electronics (including chassis, thermal circuit model (two-resistor, DELP multi-resistor), fin, slits, Peltier device, heat pipes)
_		Geometry modification	Boolean operation (sum, subtract, multiply, divide), shape simplification (deformer, filling hole, projection deletion, R fillet deletion), copy, mirror copy, wrapping, solid edit	Boolean operation (sum, subtract, multiply, divide), shape simplificatic (deformer, filling hole, projection deletion, R fillet deletion), copy, mirror copy, wrapping, solid edit
ře		Registration of parts library Tetrahedron	(finite element model)	•
pro	Mesh generation	Hexahedron Cuboid	(cylindrical coordinate system)	•
če		Cut-cell	•	
Preprocessor		Easy set-up through wizard Preset default conditions	•	•
¥	Conditions	Unused dialogs hidden Collective settings to undefined regions	•	•
		Material property library (editable) Laminated materials	•	•
		Absorption-desorption property calculation	•	
	Operation and control	VB Interface Selectable mouse operation modes	•	•
	environment	Mapping Viewer mode	•	•
		Structured mesh	 (Cartesian or cylindrical coordinate) 	(Cartesian coordinate)
	Mesh	Unstructured mesh Multiblock	(finite element model)	•
	NICSI I	Cut-cell Moving objects	• (solid, panel, thin shape)	
		6-degree-of-freedom motion (6DOF)	•	-
		Finite volume method Pressure correction	SIMPLEC, SIMPLE	SIMPLEC
	Numerical scheme	Convection term accuracy Matrix	1st / 3rd (QUICK / WENO) upwind scheme MICCG, ILUCR, ILUCGS, FMGCG, FMGCGS	1 st / 3rd (QUICK / WENO) upwind scheme MICCG, ILUCR, ILUCGS, FMGCG, FMGCGS
	Scheme	Non-linear coupled solver	(JFNK method)	
		Steady-state / transient calculation Incompressible fluid	•	•
	Flow types	Compressible fluid Non-Newtonian fluid	•	
		Buoyancy (Boussinesq approximation)	•	•
		Buoyancy (low-Mach-number approximation) Multiple fluids	•	
		Gas mixing Foaming resin model	•	
			Standard k-ɛ model, RNG k-ɛ model, MP k-ɛ model, AKN linear low-Reynolds-number model,	
	Turbulence models	Harrison de sel se de 144 - P.0	non-linear low-Reynolds-number model, improved LK K-E model, two-equation heat transfer (NK) model (high Reynolds number), two-equation heat transfer (AKN) model (linear low-Reynolds-number), LES (Smagorinsky, Dynamic Smagorinsky, WALE, mixed-time scale)	Standard k-£ model, AKN linear low-Reynolds-number model
		Heat conduction (fluid/solid) Convective heat transfer	•	•
		Heat radiation (view factor method) Heat radiation (flux method)	•	•
	Thermal analysis	Heat conduction panel Solar radiation	(direct / sky solar radiation / reflection)	•
	anarysis	Lamp (graphic output of rays)		
		Joule heat Mean radiation temperature calculation	•	
		Global solar radiation calculation Diffusivity	•	
	Diffusion analysis	Sedimentation rate	•	
S	Index for ventilation	SORET effect Age of air, life expectancy of air, inlet contribution rate	•	
Solver	efficiency Thermal comfort index	PMV / SET*/ WBGT	•	
er	Illumination analysis	Solar radiation / lamp (graphic output of rays) Relative humidity / absolute humidity	•	
	Humidity/dew condensation analysis	Dew condensation	•	
		Humidity transfer in solid Chemical reaction	•	
	Reaction analysis	Combustion	 Eddy-dissipation model, PDF (Probability Density Function) method 	
		Marker particles Mass particles	•	
	Particle	Reactant particles Charged particles	•	
	analysis	Charged particles Spray model	•	
		Transforming dew condensation Transforming fluid / volume rate	(MARS method)	
		Contact model	Linear spring dashpot model, Hertz-Mindlin model, Walton-Braun model	
	Discrete element method	Cloth model	 (command input) 	
	(DEM)	Cohesion model Thermal	•	
	Ad abla base	Ad/desorption (Humidity) Free surface	(VOF method, MARS method)	
	Multiphase flow analysis	Solidification / melting Boiling / condensation	(VOF method, MARS method) (MARS method)	
	Current	Conductor current	•	
	analysis	Conductor potential Braking effect of static magnetic field	•	
	Electric field analysis Thermal circuit model	Electrostatic field 2-resistor / DELPHI model / multi-resistor	•	•
	Thermo-regulation model	JOS-2	•	-
	Optimization	Topology optimization Velocity	•	•
		Power-law velocity Volume flow rate	•	•
				-
	Flow	Radial volume flow rate	•	
	Flow conditions	Pressure (static, total) Natural inflow / outflow	• • •	•
		Pressure (static, total)	•	



scSTREAM | HeatDesigner

Functions (scSTREAM, HeatDesinger)

			scSTREAM	HeatDesigner
		Fixed temperature	•	•
	Thermal	Heat source	•	۲
	conditions	Heat transfer coefficient	•	•
		Contact heat transfer coefficient	•	•
		No-slip (stationary wall)	•	•
		Free-slip (symmetry wall)	•	•
		Log-law condition	•	•
	Wall conditions	Power-law condition	•	•
				•
		Surface roughness Wall model (LES)		•
			•	
	Pressure	Fixed pressure	•	•
	conditions	Pressure loss	•	•
		Porous media	•	
5		Volume force / pressure loss	•	•
Solver		Heat source	•	•
₹	Source	Smoke source (diffusing materials)	•	
D	conditions	Turbulence generation	•	
-		Humidification	•	
		Plant canopy	•	
		Variables table / functions	•	•
	User-defined conditions	Scripts (JavaScript)	•	•
		User-defined function (compilation required)		
		Job management	•	•
	Colordation control	Monitoring the calculation status	•	•
	Calculation control environment			
	environment	Email notification of the calculation	•	•
		VB interface	•	•
	Output post files		Software Cradle post files (FLD, iFLD)	Software Cradle post files (FLD, iFLD)
	Output for third party software		Abaqus, Nastran, Femtet, ADVENTURECluster, JMAG-Designer, EMSolution, Optimus, Isight, modeFRONTIER, Autodesk Revit, ARCHICAD, ThermoRender, EnSight, FieldView, Adams	Abaqus, Nastran, Femtet, ADVENTURECluster, JMAG-Designer, EMSolution, Optimus, Isight, modeFRONTIER, EnSight, FieldView
		Mesh, vector, contour plots	•	
		Isosurface, streamline, pathline, volume rendering	•	
	Drawing functions	Geometry display	 (STL file, NFB file, Wave 	efront OB I file)
		2D graph	•	
		Mirror / periodical copy	•	
		Vortex center		
		Arbitrary plane, surface, entire volume, cylinder	-	
			•	
	Drawing position /	Streamlines, isosurface	•	
	orientation	Pathlines	•	
		Arbitrary scaling	•	
		Arbitrary pick	 (scalar / vector 	
_		Oil flow	• (on plane / su	
2		Texture mapping	 (on plane / surface, arbitrary g 	eometry with texture)
Postprocesso	Consist offerte	Lighting, luster, gradation	 (preset, arbit 	
.	Special effects	Transparency, water-like expression, shadow	•	
¥		Ray, Cloth, Surface of particles, Road line	•	
2		Photorealistic	•	
2		Vector animation	•	
ň		Flow line animation		
2			•	
ξ	Automation	Cut-plane sweeping		
	Animation	Marker particle	(turbulent diffusion	
		Automatic translation of view point	 (view / focus points) 	can be set)
		Key-frame animation	•	
		Animation interpolated between cycles	•	
		Variable registration	•	
		Integral (surface / volume)	(scalar / vector in	tegration)
		Comparison	 (clipping function, im 	
		Projected area calculation	•	
	Analysis results	Automatic search of the local max / min positions	•	
		Import of CSV data		
		Automatic change of colorbar	(preset, arbit	trary)
		Complex values data graphing	• (pieset, abii	
		Microsoft BMP, JPEG, PNG	(size, resolution a	diustable)
		CradleViewer	(size, resolution a (support steady-state / transient animati	on attach to Office applications)
	Data image			on, attach to Office applications)
	output	AVI, WMV, MP4	•	
		VRML,FBX,STL	•	
		Copy & paste 3D onto Powerpoint	•	
		Selectable help function	•	
		OpenGL emulation	•	
	Operation and control	(Hardware acceleration, software rendering)		
	Operation and control environment	VB interface	•	
			•	
	crivitoriniene	selectable mouse operation modes	•	
	environment	Selectable mouse operation modes Stereoscopic view (side by side)	•	

System Configuration

Product		Compliant OS	CPU, Memory, HDD	Graphics	Approx. size of analysis	Compiler Environment (User defined function)	MPI Library
scSTREAM HeatDesigner	Windows Linux ^{*1}	Windows 10 (Verified by Version 20H2) Windows Server 2016 RedHat Enterprise Linux 7 (Verified by 7.9) RedHat Enterprise Linux 8 (Verified by 8.4) SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 (Verified by SP4) SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 (Verified by SP1, SP2)	[CPU] 64bit(AMD64/ Intel64) [Memory] 8GB or more ; depends on the number of elements [HDD] 10GB for installation	[Graphics] Graphics card that supports OpenGL for Preprocessor/ Postprocessor	[Memory] Approx. 10 million elements/5.5GB [Maximum number of elements] 2 billion [Maximum degree of parallelism (actual)] 4096	[Windows edition] Intel Parallel Studio XE 2018 Composer Edition for Fortran Intel Parallel Studio XE 2019 Composer Edition for Fortran [Linux edition] GFortran (GNU Fortran compiler) (Linux standard)	Intel® MPI Library 2018 Update 5 or 2019 Update 10 (Windows), Update 11 (Linux) ¹²

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*1 Only compliant with Solver and Monitor. Not available for HeatDesigner.

2 Use Intel-MPI packaged in Cradle products. When activating on multiple machines, we recommend you use it under the environment that meets the Intel MPI Library system requirements.

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scFLOW sc/Tetra

SC/Tetra has been characterized by sophisticated mesh generation function, high speed computing capability, and user-friendly features throughout the operation. As its advanced version, scFLOW has been released. It is equipped with more stable Solver that achieves calculation speed three times faster (at maximum) than before, and new Preprocessor that helps entry-level users build complicated models and high-quality mesh. scFLOW, the new generation software, keeps on evolving.

Simplification of Preprocessor operations **FLOW**

From the CAD data to analysis mesh data, the required operations are grossly simplified compared to before. The conservation of assembly information and the settings of conditions on the parts bring the sense of continuity from the CAD operations and reduce the operational burden of the users.



Modifying CAD data

FLOW SCT

When CAD data to be used for simulation has a problem, the data can be modified with Preprocessor. Boundary conditions can be set based on the part names and color information set in the CAD data. When some regions are missing in the model, shapes such as cuboids and cylinders can be added.



Polyhedral mesher

FLOW

Using polyhedral mesh elements improves stability and calculation accuracy of cell-centered solver. In scFLOWpre, mesh can be generated according to the target number of mesh elements and automatically refined near wall area. The automatic mesher function also enables users to specify mesh refinement level of each part and region.



Viewer mode

FLOW

Preprocessor data can be displayed in the viewer mode without the Pre-/Post-processor license, when the license is taken by the mesher or by Postprocessor and is unavailable.





FLOW

Mesh-adaptation analysis

FLOW SCT

With this function, mesh will be automatically refined where a flow or pressure changes greatly in a steady-state analysis. After the calculation in Solver is completed, Preprocessor automatically launches and executes gridding and meshing based on the calculation result. By specifying the target number of elements, coarse mesh is generated first and the mesh is automatically

refined to be appropriate for the calculation. The function is useful for an analysis of flows in a tube with a complicated shape.



Discontinuous mesh

FLOW SCT

Flow with object motion can be calculated, including rotation of fans and turbines, and crossing travel of automobiles or trains (translation). The function enables an analysis with consideration on shear heating between rotor and pad in a disk brake. The function also makes it possible to analyze a combination of rotation and translation such as a piston pump.



Free surface (steady-state / transient)

FLOW SCT

The shape of an interface between a gas and a liquid can be simulated. Calculations by VOF method (new method: FIRM) are fast and accurate, and functions including moving boundary, overset mesh, and particle tracking can be used in combination. Because a phenomenon where the phase interface becomes

stable can be analyzed in a steady-state calculation, the result can be obtained in a shorter time than before.



Only scFLOW supports FIRM. FIRM cannot be used for overset mesh or steady-state analyses.

Stabilization of calculation

Even for mesh data with elements of extremely low quality, the calculation can be stabilized by the automatic processing to avoid divergence. This function helps Solver be more robust.



Overset mesh

Free movement of regions, that cannot be analyzed using existing functions such as stretching or rotating elements, can now be simulated by overlapping mesh elements for stationary and moving regions. This function supports an overlap of multiple moving regions, a contact between objects, and a 6-degree-of-freedom motion of rigid bodies. This is useful to analyze opening and closing

of a valve of an engine port or a gear pump where gears engage with each other.



6-degree-of-freedom motion (6DOF)

FLOW SCT

FLOW SCT

Passive translation and rotation of a rigid body receiving a fluid force can be analyzed. With the function, the user can analyze a ball valve with consideration of the elasticity of the spring (1D translation), and paper airplane with consideration of 6-degreeof-freedom rigid-body motion (3D translation + 3D rotation). In

addition, the function is applied to analyses of check valves, wind power generators, and blades of wave power generators.



SCFLOW SC/Tetra

Cavitation

FLOW SCT

This function enables simulation of a vaporization phenomenon called cavitation, which is caused at an area where pressure of a liquid becomes lower than in the surrounding area, such as with a propeller rotating at a high speed under water. The occurrence of cavitation can be predicted by applying the cavitation model based on the pressure values. The software also supports

problems caused by cavitation such as erosion.



Compressible fluid

FLOW SCT

The software can analyze phenomena such as supersonic flow and significant expansion/contraction of volume. For a compressible fluid, both the pressure-based and the density-based Solvers can be used. The density-based Solver keeps the calculation stable even with high Mach number. You can select either Solver depending on the analysis target and phenomenon.



Evaporation/Condensation

FLOW

Free surface analysis function (VOF method) of this software can simulate phase change between gas and liquid, such as evaporation and condensation. By considering phase change, not only simple heat conduction but also heat transfer from latent heat can be calculated. For example, this method can be applied to internal flow simulations for heat transfer devices such as

heat pipes, in which a refrigerant liquid changes to vapor by absorbing heat from an outer region.



Fluid-structure interaction

FLOW SCT

This option is used for two-way FSI (fluid-structure interaction) with structural analysis software. With this option, not only rigid bodies but also elastic bodies can be treated. Deformation of an object caused by a fluid force and the change of fluid caused by the deformation can be analyzed.



Aerodynamic noise analysis

FLOW SCT

Sound caused by pressure oscillation of a fluid, such as wind noise, and sound caused by resonance can be predicted. The calculation can be performed accurately by using LES and the weak compressible flow model. The frequency of aerodynamic noise can also be analyzed using the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) method from the CFD analysis result.



Dispersed multi-phase flow

FLOW SCT

This function can simulate flows containing many bubbles, droplets, or particles (dispersed phase), which are difficult to be analyzed using free surface. This function is a multi-fluid model that can predict volume fraction distribution and velocity distribution of each phase by solving the governing equation under the assumption that the dispersed phase is a fluid

(continuous phase). The function is useful to analyze the bubble jet effect and aeration tanks.





FLOW SCT

FLOW SCT

Particle tracking

FLOW SCT

Particle tracking function enables analyzing behavior of particles in flow. When analyzing small particles that follow the fluids movement (such as steam and dust), marker particle function can be used to evaluate particles in flow that change over time, which assumes that particle movement is in accordance with fluid velocity.



Liquid film model

FLOW SCT

The liquid film model is an extended function of the particle tracking function. By using the model, you the user can simulate the phenomenon that liquid particles change to a liquid film (water on a wall) when they reaching on the a wall. A liquid film on a wall flows with the influence of gravity and a gas-phase flowdown depending on an angle of the wall and collects in at a certain

position. The analysis results are output as the thickness of a liquid film.



LES

FLOW SCT

LES is one of the turbulent flow models. It models eddies smaller than the mesh element in size and directly calculates other eddies. Although calculation load is large, LES enables simulations closer to real phenomena. LES is often used in noise analyses, significantly affected by time variation, to simulate the behavior of small eddies. The user can use the hybrid model with RANS, a turbulent model

of small calculation load.



Humidity dew condensation

The amount of dew condensation on an object surface can be calculated from the surface temperature and water vapor in the air. You can output the amount of dew condensation per unit time in a steady-state analysis and the accumulated dew condensation in a transient analysis. Evaporation from a surface where dew condensation occurs can be calculated simultaneously, and this is useful for an

analysis of a windshield defroster.



Thermoregulation-model (JOS)

Combination use of the thermoregulation-model (JOS) and a fluid analysis enables analyses of the surface temperature of a human body under a certain thermal environment. It can also be used to analyze temperature and humidity changes in the surrounding environment of a human body. The user can consider age, clothes, and physiological phenomena of the human body such as heat transfer by

blood flow in addition to the surrounding environment of a human body such as temperature and velocity.



^{*} JOS and JOS-2 developed by Tanabe laboratory at Waseda University, et al. are introduced for the thermoregulation model.

Radiation

FLOW SCT

Heat transfer by infrared-ray radiation can be considered by setting emissivity and temperature difference between objects. The user can choose VF (view factor) method or FLUX method as a calculation method. The user can also consider wavelength dependence, transmission, absorption, refraction, diffusion, and reflection of radiation. In FLUX method, the user can also consider directionality.



SCFLOW SC/Tetra

Mapping

FLOW SCT

When a target phenomenon is in a small range and the phenomenon is affected by a wide range of its surrounding area, analysis results of the surrounding area can be used for an analysis of the target phenomenon as boundary conditions to decrease the calculation load.



Fan model (rotating blades)

FLOW SCT

With this model, an average flow field around rotating blades can be simulated only by entering characteristic properties regardless of real shapes of fans or propellers. The user can use the non-dimensional swirl coefficient model, the simplified propeller model, and the simplified rotor model. This model is useful to analyze axial-flow windmills and waterwheels.



Operation logging by VB interface

FLOW

The operations in Preprocessor can be saved as a log file using the VB interface. Making the user scripting unnecessary, this makes the construction of an automated system affordable in a short period of time based on the files storing the operation logs.



Coupled analysis with GT-SUITE

FLOW SCT

Coupled analysis with GT-SUITE is available. The entire flow in an intake and exhaust system is calculated with GT-SUITE and small flows of each part are interpolated with scFLOW or SC/Tetra. This will enhance calculation accuracy of the whole system.



GT-SUITE is engine intake & exhaust system one-dimensional thermo-fluid analysis software provided by Gamma Technology

JavaScript.



Script functions

Before, complicated settings, including time-/coordinatedependent material properties or boundary conditions, required a coding and compilation of user-defined function in C language. With the script functions, compilation is not required. Functions can be written in Preprocessor based on



SmartBlades

FLOW SCT

This function is useful for analyzing the shape of a fan automatically throughout creating the shape of a fan (CAD data), calculating the flow, and post-processing. The shape of a fan can be created easily by specifying parameters including the number of blades, fan diameter, rake angle, and skew angle.



Functions for turbomachinery

SCT

FLOW

One-pitch shape can be extracted from a periodic model such as an impeller or a vane of turbomachinery. The analysis result of the one-pitch model can be checked in the meridian plane. Two regions whose pitches are different can also be analyzed. The calculation load will be reduced by using this function.



FluidBearingDesigner

The function creates groove patterns of fluid bearings (dynamic-pressure bearing) and generates mesh. You can select the shape of grooves such as journal and thrust and materials such as porous material. From calculation results, you can obtain parameters for designing fluid bearings such as axial force and drag coefficient.



SCT

Functions (scFLOW, SC/Tetra)

			sc FLOW	SC/Tetra
		CAD data Interface (import)	Parasolid, STEP, JT, STL, IGES, ACIS, CATIA V6, CATIA V5, CATIA V4, Creo Elements/Pro (Pro/Engineer), SOLIDWORKS, NX, Solid Edge, Inventor, DWG, DXF (3D-face), 3DM, VDAFS, IFC, Nastran, MDL	Parasolid, STEP, STL, IGES, ACIS, CATIA V5, CATIA V4, Creo Elements/Pro (Pro/Engineer), SOLIDWORKS, NX, Solid Edge, Inventor, DXF (3D-face), VDAFS, Abaqus, Nastran, Design Space, Plot3D, CGNS
	Modeling	CAD data interface (export)	Parasolid, MDL Cuboid, cylinder, sphere	STL, Nastran, CGNS, Parasolid, MDL Cuboid, cylinder, sphere, rectangle (panel)
		Primitives Geometry modification	Data cleaning, editing solid, editing sheet, cross-section and extraction,	Data cleaning, editing solid, editing sheet, cross-section and extraction,
		Tetrahedron	coordinate conversion, wrapping	coordinate conversion, turbomachinery (single-pitch extraction), wrappin
Preprocessor		Pentahedron (prism, pyramid)		•
		Hexahedron Cuboid	 (when internal hexahedron elements are used) 	(manual setting) (when internal hexahedron elements are used)
	Mesh generation and	Polygon (polyhedron) Sweep mesh	•	
ŏ	facetor	Thin mesh	•	•
ē		Voxel fitting mesher Solid-based surface mesher	•	
SSC		Parasolid faceter	•	•
¥		Solid-based faceter Easy set-up through wizard	•	•
		Unused dialogs hidden	•	•
	Conditions	Collective settings to undefined regions Material property library (editable)	•	•
		Laminated materials		(laminated panel)
	Operation and	VB Interface Selectable mouse operation modes	•	•
	control environment	Mapping	•	•
		Viewer mode Unstructured mesh	•	•
		Overset mesh Mesh adaptation	•	•
	Mesh	Discontinuous mesh interface	•	•
		ALE (rotation, translation, stretch)	•	•
		6-degree-of-freedom motion (6DOF) Mixing plane	•	•
		Finite volume method Pressure correction	● SIMPLEC. SIMPLE, PISO	SIMPLEC, SIMPLE, revised SIMPLEC
		Convection term accuracy	SIMPLEC, SIMPLE, PISU 1st/2nd order (MUSCL/QUICK) upwind scheme, 2nd-order central difference (LES)	1st/2nd order (MUSCL/QUICK) upwind scheme, 2nd-order central difference (LES)
	Numerical scheme	Matrix	2nd-order central difference (LES) MILUCG-STAB. AMGCG-STAB. CGCCG-STAB	2nd-order central difference (LES) MILUCG-STAB, AMG, AMGCG-STAB, CGCCG-STAB
		Density based	(defect correction method, JFNK method)	(defect correction method)
		Hypersonic solver Steady-state / transient calculation	•	•
		Incompressible fluid	•	•
	Flow types	Compressible fluid Non-Newtonian fluid	•	•
		Buoyancy (Boussinesq approximation)	•	•
		Multiple fluids Gas mixing	•	•
	Turbulence models		Standard k-e model, RNG k-e model, MP k-e model, ARN linear low-Reynolds number k-e model, realizable ke model, ST k-um model, MPAKN linear low-Reynolds number k-e model, Spalart-Alimaras one equation model, LKE k-k-k-e model, SST-SAS model, LES, DES, DDES, IDDES	Standard k-e model, RNG k-e model, MP k-e model, AKN linear low-Reynolds number k-e model, GPC linear low-Reynolds number k-e model, Inon-linear low-Reynolds number k-e model, SST k-w model, MPAKN linear low-Reynolds number k-e model, Spalar-Allmaras one equation model, UKE k-k-L omodel,
		Heat conduction (fluid / solid)	•	SST-SAS model, LES, DES, VLES
	Thermal analysis	Convective heat transfer	•	•
		Heat radiation (view factor) Heat radiation (flux method)	•	•
		Heat conduction panel	•	•
		Moving heat conduction panel Solar radiation	•	•
		Joule heat Mean radiation temperature calculation	•	•
10		Graphic output of rays from lamp	•	
Sol	Diffusion analysis	Diffusivity SORET effect	•	•
ver		Passive scalar	•	-
	Index for ventilation efficiency / thermal comfort	PMV/SET*	•	•
	Humidity / dew condensation analysis	Relative humidity / absolute humidity	•	•
	condensation analysis	Dew condensation Chemical reaction	•	•
	Reaction analysis	Combustion reaction Thermal CVD analysis	Eddy-dissipation model	Eddy-dissipation model
		Marker particles	•	•
		Mass particles Charged particles	(user-defined function)	(user-defined function)
	Particle analysis	Spray model	•	•
		Liquid film Transforming dew condensation	•	•
		Transforming fluid / volume rate	(VOF method)	(VOF method)
		Contact model Cloth model	Linear spring dashpot model, Hertz-Mindlin model, Walton-Braun model	
	Discrete element method	String model Cluster model	(command input)	
	(DEM)	Cohesion model	(command input)	
		Thermal Ad/desorption (Humidity)	•	
		Dissolution	•	
		Free surface Solidification / melting analysis	(VOF method, steady-state/transient, multiphase)	(VOF method, transient)
	Multiphase	Boil / condensation	 (VOF method, Dispersed multiphase flow) 	(VOF method)
	flow analysis	Evaporation / condensation Cavitation model / erosion index	•	•
		Dispersed multiphase flow	(command input)	•
		Population balance model Ffowcs Williams & Hawkings' equation	(command input)	•
	Aerodypamic pairs			•
	Aerodynamic noise analysis	Weak compressible flow model		
	analysis	Sound source detection model Conductor current	•	•
	analysis Current analysis	Sound source detection model Conductor current Conductor potential		
	analysis	Sound source detection model Conductor current Conductor potential J05, J05-2 Velocity	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
	analysis Current analysis	Sound source detection model Conductor current Conductor potential JOS, JOS-2 Velocity Volume flow rate	•	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
	analysis Current analysis Thermo-regulation model	Sound source detection model Conductor current Conductor potential JOS, JOS-2 Velocity Volume flow rate Mass flow rate Power law	• • • • •	• • • • •
	analysis Current analysis	Sound source detection model Conductor current Conductor potential JOS, JOS-2 Velocity Volume flow rate Mass flow rate Power law Pressure (static pressure / total pressure)	• • • • • • •	• • • • •
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Functions (scFLOW, SC/Tetra)

			sc FLOW	SC/Tetra
		Fixed temperature	•	•
	Thermal conditions	Heat source	•	•
		Heat transfer coefficient	•	•
		Contact heat transfer coefficient	•	•
		No-slip (stationary wall)	•	•
		Free-slip (symmetry wall)	•	•
	Wall conditions	Log-law condition	•	•
	Wall conditions	Low-Re-number adaptive wall function	•	•
		Surface roughness	•	•
		Wall model (LES)	•	
		Fixed pressure	•	•
	Pressure conditions	Pressure loss	•	•
Solver		Porous media	•	•
		Volume force / pressure loss	•	•
ē		Heat generation	•	•
-		Smoke source (diffusing materials)	•	•
	Source conditions	Turbulence generation	•	•
		Solid shear heating	•	•
		Simplified propeller model	•	•
		Simplified rotor model	•	
		Variables table / functions	•	•
	User-defined conditions	Script functions (JavaScript)	•	
		User-defined function (compilation required)	•	•
		Job management	•	•
	Calculation control	Monitoring the calculation status	•	•
	environment	Email notification of the calculation	•	•
		VB interface	•	•
	Output for visualization	Wavelet transform	•	
	Output post files		Software Cradle post files (FPH)	Software Cradle post files (FLD, iFLD)
	Output for third		Abagus, NASTRAN, ACTRAN, Femtet, Adams, Marc	Abagus Nastran Femtet ADVENTURECluster IMAG-Designer
	party software		JMAG-Designer, EMSolution, FlowNoise, GT-SUITE, FieldView	EMSolution, Optimus, Isight, modeRRONTIER, LMS Virtual.Lab, Actran FlowNoise, GT-SUITE, KULI, Flowmaster, LOGE, EnSight, FieldView, AVS
	party solution			
		Mesh, vector, contour plots		•
		Isosurface, streamline, pathlines, volume rendering		•
	Drawing functions	Geometry display	(SIL file, NFB file)	ile, Wavefront OBJ file)
	-	2D graph		•
		Mirror / periodical copy		•
		Vortex center		•
		Arbitrary plane, surface, entire volume, cylinder		•
_	Drawing position /	Streamlines, isosurface		•
്	orientation	Pathlines		•
Ň		Arbitrary scaling		•
ö		Arbitrary pick		/ vector values)
5		Oil flow		ane / surface)
ă –		Texture mapping		bitrary geometry with texture)
ß	Special effects	Lighting, luster, gradation	• (pres	set, arbitrary)
Postprocesso		Transparency, water-like expression, shadow		•
2		Ray, Cloth model, Surface of particle, Road line		•
		Photorealistic		•
		Vector animation		•
		Flow line animation		•
		Cut-plane sweeping		•
	Animation	Marker particle		t diffusion effect)
		Automatic translation of view point	(view / focu	is points can be set)
		Key-frame animation		•
		Animation interpolated between cycles		•
		Variable registration		•
		Integral (surface / volume)	• (scalar / v	rector integration)
		Comparison	 (clipping function) 	tion, image compare)
	Analysis results	Projected area calculation		•
	, marysis results	Automatic search of the local max / min positions		•
		Import of CSV data		•
		Automatic change of colorbar		et, arbitrary)
		Complex values data graphing	•	
		Microsoft BMP, JPEG, PNG	• (size, reso	lution adjustable)
	Data imago	CradleViewer	 (support steady-state / transient) 	animation, attach to Office applications)
	Data image output	AVI, WMV, MP4		•
	Julput	VRML,FBX,STL		•
		Copy & paste 3D onto Powerpoint	•	
		Selectable help function		•
		OpenGL emulation		•
	Operation and	(Hardware acceleration, software rendering)		-
	Operation and control environment	VB interface		•
	controrenvironment	Selectable mouse operation modes		•
		Stereoscopic view (side by side)		•

System Configuration

Product		Compliant OS	CPU, Memory, HDD	Graphics	Approx. size of analysis for scFLOW	Compiler Environment (User defined function) for scFLOW	MPI Library
sc FLOW	Windows	Windows 10 (Verified by Version 20H2) Windows Server 2016	[CPU] 64bit(AMD64/ Intel64) [Memory] 8GB or more;	[Graphics] Graphics card that supports OpenGL for Preprocessor/ Postprocessor	[Memory] Approx. 1 million elements/2.0GB [Maximum number of elements (actual)]	[Windows edition ²²] Microsoft Visual Studio 2017 Microsoft Visual Studio 2019 [Linux edition] GCC (GNU Compiler Collection)	Intel® MPI Library 2018 Update 5 or 2019 Update 10 (Windows), Update 11
SC/Tetra	Linux*1	RedHat Enterprise Linux 7 (Verified by 7.9) RedHat Enterprise Linux 8 (Verified by 8.4) SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 12 (Verified by SP4) SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 (Verified by SP1, SP2)	8GB or more; depends on the number of elements [HDD] 10GB for installation		1475 million [Maximum degree of parallelism (actual)] 2592	(Linux standard)	(Linux) 7*3

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*1 Only compliant with Solver, Monitor and Meshing function of Preprocessor. *2 Verified with Windows SDK (10.0.16299.0).

³ Use Intel-IMPI packaged in Cradle products. When activating on multiple machines, we recommend you use it under the environment that meets the Intel® MPI Library system requirements.

Visualize your multiphysics phenomena in one environment

Postprocessor regularly installed in Software Cradle products can be purchased separately

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Postprocessor

In Postprocessor, you can visualize the simulation results calculated in Solver. It is effective for product design reviews because in Postprocessor, you can check, for example, temperature distribution at the places that cannot be measured or observed in the actual products. You can output not only still images but also animations, as well as output files for CradleViewer.

Characteristics

You can:

- Obtain numerical information with simple operation.
- Create beautiful animation quickly in Postprocessor.
- Easily map temperature information obtained in a fluid analysis to a structural analysis.
- Easily compare multiple analysis results.
- Easily calculate heat transfer and grasp a whole of heat-related matters.
- Output" images supporting VR.

*Output in the equirectangular format with parallax

Useful functions (example)

- Creates animation automatically
- Saves display status
- Develops the image on the meridian plane
- Compares results
- Calculates (integral, registering functions)

Drawing samples



Isosurface



Oil flow



Contour



Volume rendering



Vectors

Compatible formats for import/export

	Formats supported	Other format
Import	MSC Nastran 2018.0 -2019.1 (.h5) Marc 2018 (.t19, .t16) Adams 2020 (.adm) Generic format for fluid data (.cgns) [ADF only]	• Images (BMP, PNG) • 3D geometry data (STL, OBJ) • Parasolid (Import Extension Option required)
Export	Generic format for fluid data (.cgns) [Only ADF can be exported through scCONVERTER]	 Images (BMP, JPEG, PNG) Animation (AVI, WMV, MP4) 3D geometry data (STL, VRML, FBX)



Co-simulation with Hexagon CAE solutions

Integration of multidisciplinary analyses - from materials to systems

More realistic coupled fluid – mechanical – structural analyses

Capturing movement and deformation more precisely and expressing boundary conditions in fluid analyses with more reality





Analysis of aerodynamics characteristics per yaw angle



Assessment of crosswind stabilization in consideration of aerodynamics characteristics

Co-simulation platform

The platform for coupled analyses with MSC mechanical and structural analysis solvers provides seamless co-simulation.



Co-simulation using FMI

Co-simulation using FMI a tool independent standard of 1D cosimulation interface



Coupled analysis in consideration of collision of driftwood



Co-simulation with Actran, acoustic analysis software

scFLOW and SC/Tetra are used to create fluid sound sources and Actran is used for propagation analysis of sound waves.





Analysis of an exhaust tube of a motorcycle







Acoustic analysis using fluid analysis results as a sound source

Wow! Was it this easy?!

Non-experts can start thermal analysis right away with easy operation in 2D and real-time results

PICLS PICLS Lite

PICLS is a thermal simulation tool which helps designers easily perform

thermal simulation of PCBs. Even if you are unfamiliar with thermal simulation, you will obtain a simulation result without stress through the tool's easy and quick operation in 2D. You can import the data of a PCB created in PICLS to scSTREAM and HeatDesigner, that is, you can pass the analysis data seamlessly from the PCB design stage to the mechanical design stage.



Advantages

- Easy to use (Operation in 2D, integrated GUI for pre- and post-processing)
- Inexpensive
- Capable of real-time analysis

Thermal countermeasures using PICLS

- Checking the layout of components to avoid interference of heat between them
- Troubleshooting thermal issues of current products
- Considering heat release depending on a wiring pattern (coverage ratio)
- Examining the location and the number of thermal vias
- Examining the performance of a heatsink
- Examining the size of a PCB
- Examining the number of layers and the thickness of copper foil
- Considering natural/forced air cooling
- Considering radiant heat
- Considering heatsinks (number of fins, size)
- Examining heat dissipation performances by connection to enclosure
- Considering PCB mounting environment



Functions available in PICLS and PICLS Lite …PICLS and PICLS LitePICLS only O Multiple layers O Thermal via O Wiring area specification \bigcirc 3D preview O Displaying each layer O Cutting out a PCB O Real-time display O Automatic report output O Forced air cooling Radiation ○ Contact thermal resistance O Temperature margin, alert function IDF3.0 interface Considering a heatsink Consideration of simple enclosure Drill data import Library Wiring data (Gerber) import

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Main features of PICLS and PICLS Lite

Modeling



External file interface You can import IDF 3.0 and Gerber data



Heatsink

You can allocate and display parts such as plate fins and heat dissipation plates

Calculation and Post-Processing



Real-time display The translation of components is displayed in real time.

System Configuration



^{*1} Supports license manager only.



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enclosure You can consider heat dissipation by connection to enclosure

Consideration of simple

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Library You can register and reuse created parts to the library

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Report output

reports.

You can output analysis results as



Cutting out a PCB You can create a PCB of arbitrary shape using cut-out function.



Preview You can check the layout of components in the 3D image.

Alert function

You can check parts whose

temperature is higher than threshold



PICLS

PICLS Lite



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Analysis Procedure

-scSTREAM (HeatDesigner), scFLOW and SC/Tetra

There are three major steps in the workflow for obtaining simulation results.

STEP.1 Preprocessor

With Preprocessor, create or import analysis models, set analysis conditions, and generate mesh.



STEP.2 Solver

Flow/thermal calculations are performed using input data created in the Preprocessor. During the computation, calculation status can be monitored. The amount of time required for the computation depends on the size of the model (number of mesh elements), quality of the model, and hardware. A parallel Solver is available for reducing the computational time of large-scale models.



 Solver features (examples) Setting the degree of parallelism

Monitoring job status Visualizing results in real-time



STEP.3 Postprocessor

The Solver outputs field data for visualization using the Postprocessor. This permits examining flow, temperature, pressure, and other analysis results. Visualized results can be converted to images, animations and/or CradleViewer (details on P23) files for later use.



Visualize results

- Vector plot

- Pathline (available only in SC/Tetra) - Streamline

- Oil flow

- CradleViewer file output







Main Mutual Features

CAD Interface

ST : scSTREAM HD : HeatDesigner FLOW : scFLOW SCT : SC/Tetra

Software Cradle analysis software can import native data from major 3D CAD software as well as import most generalized intermediate data formats to save hassle for data conversion processes.

	CAD / geometry data	C	ompliant software	Format	Compliant versions
	CATIA V6 / 3DEXPERIENCE	ST	HD FLOW	3dxml	R2010x - R2021x
	CATIA V5	ST	HD FLOW SCT	CATPart, CATProduct	R10 - R31 (6R2021)
	CATIA V4	ST	HD FLOW SCT	model, exp, session	All 4.x.x
	Creo Elements/Pro (Pro/E)	ST	HD FLOW SCT	part, asm	13 - Creo 8.0
	SOLIDWORKS	ST	HD FLOW SCT	sldprt, sldasm	95 - 2021 (ST, HD: Add in compliant with 2015 - 2018)
	UG NX	ST	HD FLOW SCT	prt	11 - NX1973
	SolidEdge	ST	HD FLOW	par, psm, asm	10 - 2021
	Rhino	ST	HD FLOW SCT	3dm	4 - 6
	Autodesk [®] Inventor [®]	ST	HD FLOW SCT	ipt, iam	Up to V2022
	Autodesk [®] Revit [®]	ST		Compliant with Launcher	2019 - 2021
	ARCHICAD	ST		Compliant with Launcher	22 - 24
	IGES	ST	HD FLOW SCT	iges, igs	All
	VDAFS	ST	HD FLOW SCT	vda	All
	ACIS	ST	HD FLOW SCT	sat, sab, asat, asab	R1 - 2021 1.0
Import	Parasolid	ST	HD FLOW SCT	x_t (scFLOW only: xmt_txt, x_b, xmt_bin)	V7.1 ~ V33
<u>ľ</u>	STEP	ST	HD FLOW SCT	stp, step	AP203, AP214, AP242
	TL	ST	HD FLOW	jt	BREP only
	IFC	ST	FLOW	ifc	BREP only for scFLOW
	SHAPE	ST		shp	Polyline, polygon
	3ds	ST		3ds	-
	STL	ST	HD FLOW SCT	stl	-
	Nastran		FLOW SCT	nas	Model only
	SketchUp	ST		skp	Up to SketchUp 2015
	Abaqus®		FLOW SCT	inp	Supported by FacetEditor in scFLOW
	Plot3D		FLOW SCT	fmt, p2dfmt, p3dfmt, dat	Supported by FacetEditor in scFLOW
	CGNS		FLOW SCT	cgns	Supported by FacetEditor in scFLOW
	DXF	ST	HD FLOW SCT	dxf (3DFACE)	ST and HD only: Polymesh and 2D
	IDF	ST	HD	brd, emn	IDF2.0, IDF3.0
	GERBER	ST	HD	gbr, drl, ECAD native (CR5000, Allegro, OrCAD)	RS274D, RS274X, Excellon
	IP-2581	ST HD		xml	-
	EXCML	ST	HD	excml	-
	Parasolid	ST	HD FLOW SCT	x_t, xmt_txt, (x_b, xmt_bin: SCT only)	ST and HD: V31 - 33, FLOW: V323
	STL	ST	HD FLOW SCT	stl	Supported by FacetEditor in scFLOW
Export	Nastran		FLOW SCT	nas	Supported by FacetEditor in scFLOW
	CGNS		FLOW SCT	cgns	Supported by FacetEditor in scFLOW

HPC (High Performance Computing) Solution

Large-scale, high-speed simulation with parallel computing technologies

Parallel computing makes possible solving existing models faster, conducting more analyses, and/or solving more detailed models with a greater number of mesh elements.





Main Mutual Features

scMonitor

You can visualize the progress of the simulations in scMonitor during the Solver calculations. You can check, for example, pressure contour of a registered surface and temperature contour and flow vector on axial planes.



* To use this function, a Postprocessor license is required in some areas.

VB Interface

The software supports COM technology provided by Microsoft. You can control the software by using Microsoft Office products and Visual Basic (VB). A tool to create and execute the automatic operation flow, scWorkS ketch, is bundled with the software. By using the tool, you can create your original automatic operation flow easily. In addition, you can register the created flow as a template and reuse it.



• Useful functions

- Tool to create a report automatically
- Unique GUI
- Tool to create a model from the 2D data automatically

LFileView

LFileView is a dedicated viewer for L files, which are output during the simulations automatically. You can check the progress of the simulations numerically with variable values for each cycle and the maximum/minimum/average values for the specified output.



Parametric Study Tool

Using the parametric study tool, you can set analysis conditions to multiple cases all at once - for instance, when you run several calculations with modified parameters such as flow rate or amount of heat. The interface is user-friendly with spreadsheet-like settings. You can check, in the same interface, the status of each case and the output parameters such as the maximum/minimum temperature or average pressure on a specified plane.



* This tool is available in scSTREAM, HeatDesigner, and SC/Tetra



CradleViewer

The simulation result visualized in Postprocessor can be saved in a file and the file can be opened in a simple viewer. In the viewer, the viewpoint ant the distance can be changed with the mouse and by touch operation^{*}. CradleViewer is provided free of charge. You can share the simulation result even in an environment without Postprocessor installed.



Operation using two fingers is supported on a multitouch-compatible screen in a Windows 10 or Windows 8.1 environment. ^{*2} Compatible with Oculus Rift CV1 during VR mode.

scCONVERTER

Data (FLD/FPH files) such as pressure, temperature, and heat transfer coefficient obtained in thermo-fluid analyses can be mapped to input data of structural analysis software (Abaqus, I-DEAS, Nastran). In addition, input data of structural analyses can be converted to an FLD or FPH file. scCONVERTER can create an animation file from multiple still images (BMP/PNG files), edit FLD/FPH files, and convert a P file to an FLD file or an FLD file to an iFLD file.

HeatPathView

Using HeatPathView, you can review heat dissipation measures with focus on each component. The tool enables the intuitive and comprehensive evaluation of heat balance and search of heat dissipation paths. By understanding the flow of heat, you can make your heat dissipation designs more reliable.







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Introducing Optimus®

Optimus is an integration platform of simulation tools with optimization and automation as its cores * Software Cradle handles Optimus[®] only in Japan

1. Optimus[®]

workflow with icons.

Optimus has a direct interface with scSTREAM, scFLOW and SC/Tetra, and the optimization can be performed without any additional customization. It also supports a creation of an original GUI using API and an optimization using Quality Engineering (Taguchi Method).

Automation/Integration

Executes the processes automatically just by constructing a simulation



Optimization

Optimization algorithm automatically searches the parameters yielding the best performance.



Data Mining

Visualizes data immediately. Relationships between the parameters can be grasped easily from sensitivity and correlation analyses.

Optimus[®]

Design for real



Robustness, Reliability

Predicts the variations in performance from the variations of parts. This enables the design with consideration on the variations in advance.



2. Optimus® for Cradle

Optimus® for Cradle is an optional tool which allows for the uses of optimization functions of Optimus directly on Software Cradle products. Optimization can be performed with ease, by inputting design variables and other parameters from the dedicated GUI.

Comparison Table: Optimus® and Optimus® for Cradle							
		Optimus®	Optimus [®] for Cradle				
Linkage to Software Cradle products	Condition setting	 (Direct interface) 	• (Own GUI)				
Linkage to third party products	Shape modification using CAD	• (Direct Interface)	-				
Linkage to third party products	Simulation linkage	•	_				
	DOE	Total 23 methods	Central Composite (inscribed), Latin-Hypercube				
	Response surface	All 5 + Optional 11 methods	Least squares, RBF (cubic)				
Calculation method	Single-objective optimization	Local: Total 5 methods Global: Total 7 + Optional 5 methods	NLPQL (local optimization)				
	Multi-objective optimization	Total 11 + Optional 5 methods	NSEA+				
	Robustness / Reliability / Quality Engineering	Total 7 methods, orthogonal table L4-512, static/dynamic characteristics	_				
Postprocessing	Method	Total 23 types	Correlation diagram / scatter diagram / optimum solution / Pareto optimality				
	Model	Total 13 types	Contour, contribution rate				



License type

We provide various license types based on customer operations from on-premise to cloud

1. On-premise license: Features

- Underpriced
- Internally manageable machines
- Existing hardware resources
- No data transfer
- Internally controlled security
- In-house tools (e.g. automation)
- Multiple tools in combination



Recommended for customers who want to...

- Incorporate analysis into design workflow constantly and reduce cost
- Elaborate a combinational use of multiple analysis tools with a simple system
- Simplify analysis operations for obtaining design pointers and allow several users short-term uses

2. Cloud license: Features

- On-demand offer^{*1}
- No hardware required
- Large-scale calculations
- Support for sudden need
- No maintenance required
- Underpriced for infrequent users
- Not an asset



Recommended for customers who want to...

- Finish large-scale calculations in a short time although ordinary calculations can be performed with on-premise licenses
- Use outside resources temporarily because in-house resources is insufficient at the time
- Handle intensive calculation jobs efficiently for one project without placing burden on in-house resources

License type lookup table

			License	Agreement type			Remarks
			Network	Paid-Up	Lease	Cloud service ^{*1} On-demand	-
scSTREAM scFLOW & SC/Tetra	Pre/Post	Multi Cores	٠	•	•	•	
		Unlimited Multi Cores	٠	•	•	•	SC/Tetra is not available
	Solver	Multi Cores	٠	•	•	•	
		Unlimited Multi Cores	٠	•	•	•	SC/Tetra is not available
HeatDesigner	Pre/Solver/Post	Standard Set	٠	•	•		
PICLS			•		•		
Optimus [®] for Cradle			٠		•		

*1 Only available in a certain region

License Type

Links with other software



1. Electromagnetic Field Analysis Software

Using the data output from the electromagnetic analysis software, the effect of heat source distribution due to an electromagnetic field can be analyzed.



2. Acoustic Analysis Software

The acoustics of aerodynamic noise can be analyzed using scFLOW and SC/Tetra output data.





3. Structural Analysis Software

Using the output data from scFLOW, SC/Tetra and scSTREAM, structural analysis can include the influence of heat transfer and other fluid interactions.







4. One-Dimensional Analysis Software

Computational load can be reduced by not solving all of the thermo-fluid analysis in three dimensions but using one-dimensional analysis software for some part.



5. Chemical Reaction Analysis Software

Using material property parameters and chemical reaction database of LOGE, coupled analysis with SC/Tetra can be performed. This enables analysis of overall chemical reactions and detailed chemical reactions, which could not be analyzed by SC/Tetra alone.



MSC Product

PICLS

6. 3D CAD Software

The direct interface (Launcher) equipped with scSTREAM enables the software to directly load original 3D CAD data.



8. Visualization Software

Read, visualize and edit FLD data (analysis results file from Software Cradle products) using other visualization software.



7. Optimization Software

Software Cradle products can be used in conjunction with optimization software for automation and/or optimizing product design.





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Our technologies are shaping urban and production ecosystems to become increasingly connected and autonomous - ensuring a scalable, sustainable future.

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