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Cleaning Up with *Code_Saturne* and SALOME

R&D and Clean Tech CFD applications

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1. Renuda at a glance



- **Blue Chip Clients**

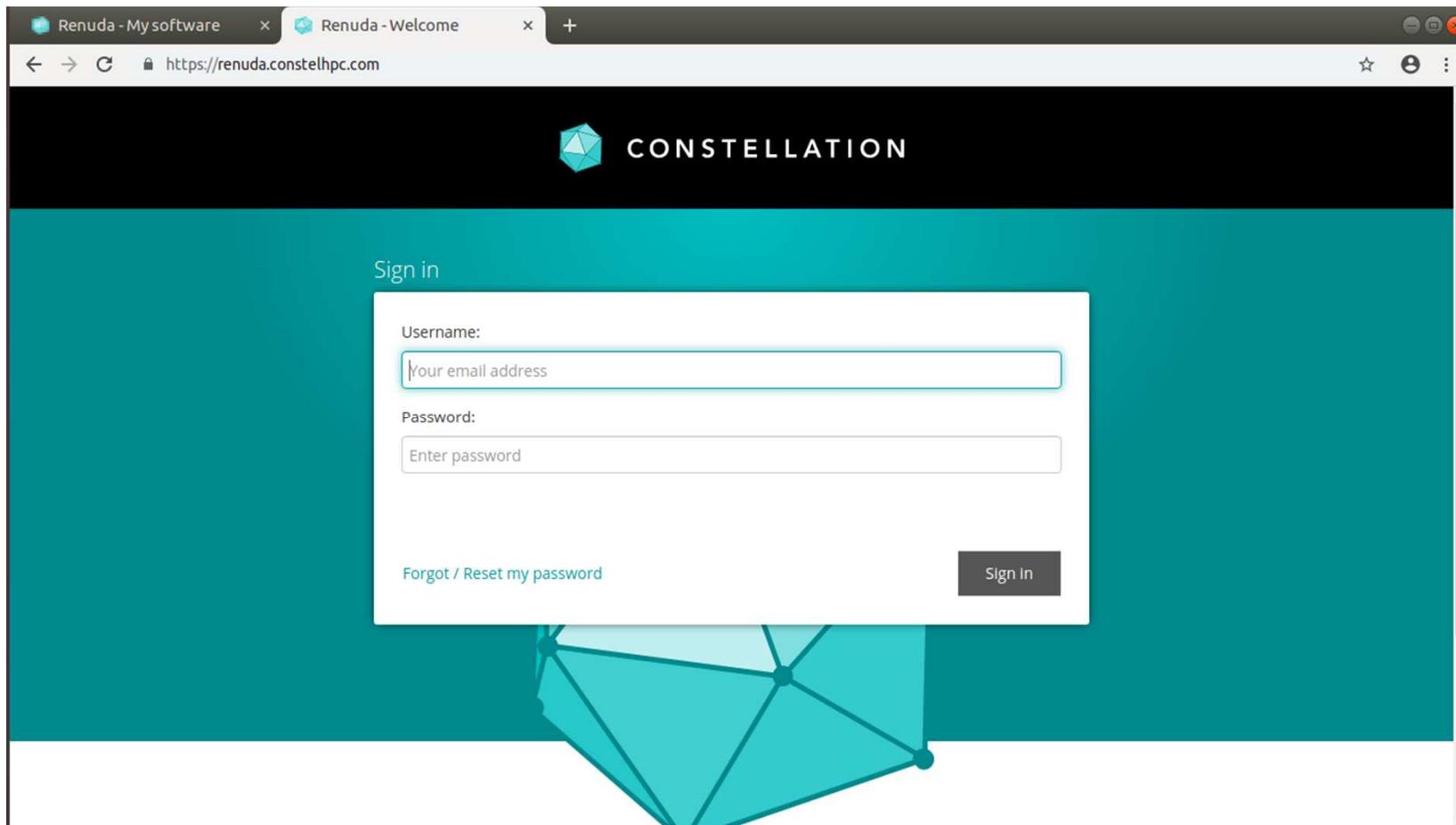
- Applications from single phase pipe flow to turbomachinery, multiphase flow, coupled heat transfer, mechanical calculations
- Industries: transport, automotive, processing, nuclear, power generation, civil engineering



Software and Hardware Tools

- Commercial software
- **Open source software chains**
 - CAD: **SALOME**
 - Mesh: **SALOME**, incl. **Distene's MeshGems**, and **snappyHexMesh**
 - CFD: *Code_Saturne*
 - Analysis: **Paraview**
- Mix of local and remote computing
 - Local multi-core PCs
 - Access to HPC on hundreds of compute cores at the Hartree Centre, UK
 - **Constelcom's Constellation™** platform for easy access to HPC





Research Partnership And Collaborations

- Research and development is very important
- Collaborative research relationship with EDF R&D on the development of *Code_Saturne*
- Collaboration with the SALOME teams:
 - Development of module for specialised steam turbine code
- Part of the UK Consortium on Turbulent Reactive Flow
 - SiG on Sprays
 - SiG on Combustion
- NAFEMS CFD Working Group
- Collaboration with different universities and research labs
 - University of Manchester
 - Daresbury Laboratory (Science and Technology Facilities Council) – HPC research and application
 - University of Edinburgh (software parallelisation)

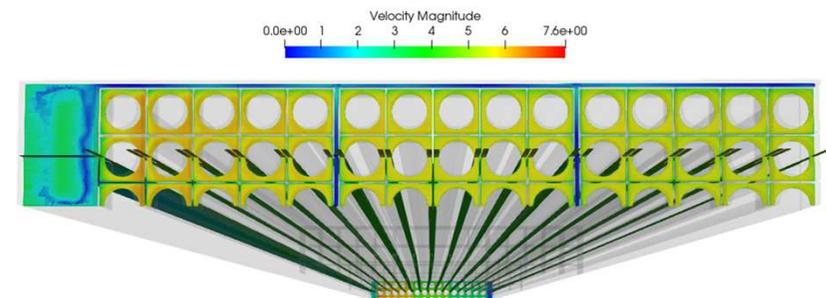
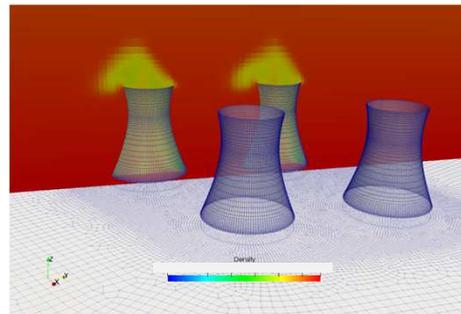
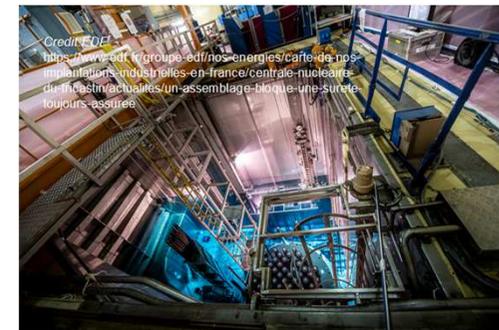
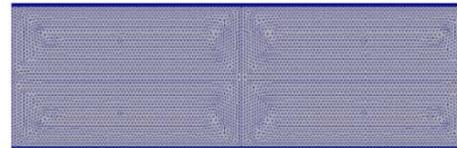
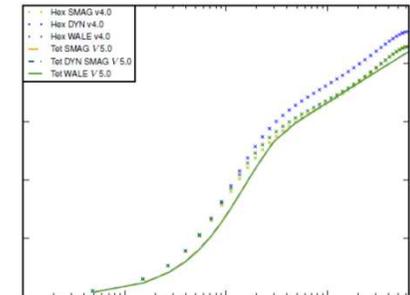




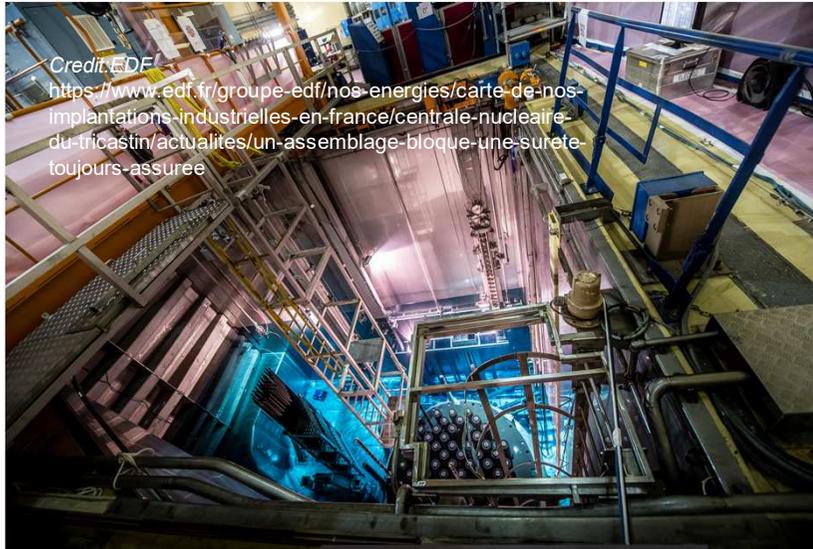
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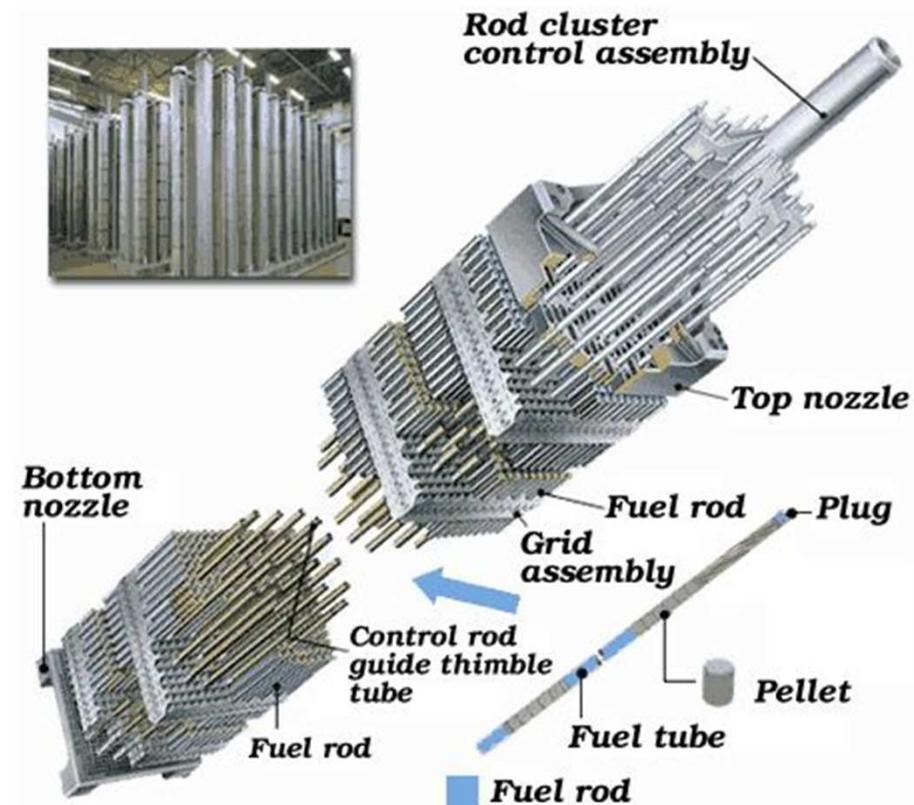
- Continued collaborative efforts with EDF R&D to develop *Code_Saturne*
- Turbulence on tetrahedral meshes
 - From classic cases to validation with experimental setups
 - Numerics
 - Models
- Multi-physics
 - Cooling Tower module validation
 - Merging with the Atmospheric module



PWR Nuclear Fuel Assemblies

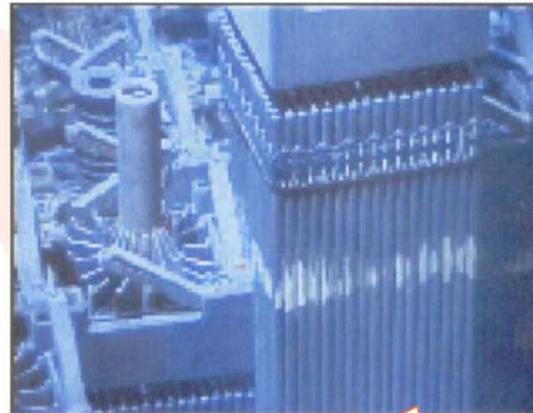


Credit: World Nuclear Association
<http://www.world-nuclear.org/information-library/nuclear-fuel-cycle/conversion-enrichment-and-fabrication/fuel-fabrication.aspx>



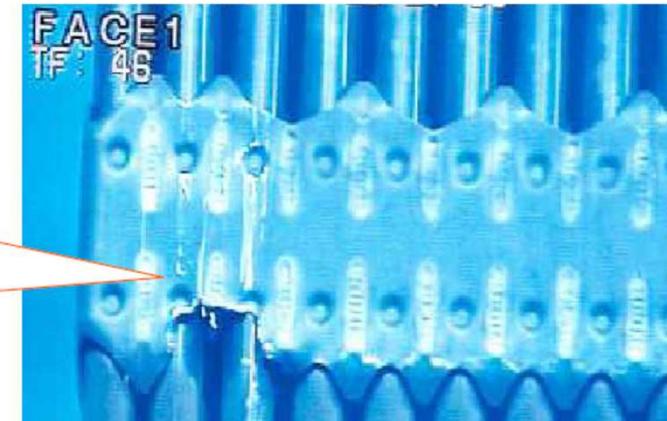
Deformation

- Slide reproduced from the presentation: “*Les Gestions des coeurs et les perspectives*”, Nicolas Waeckel (EDF-SEPTEN), Convention annuelle de la SFEN, 11-12 mars 2009
- <https://inis.iaea.org/collection/NCLCollectionStore/Public/42/026/42026961.pdf>



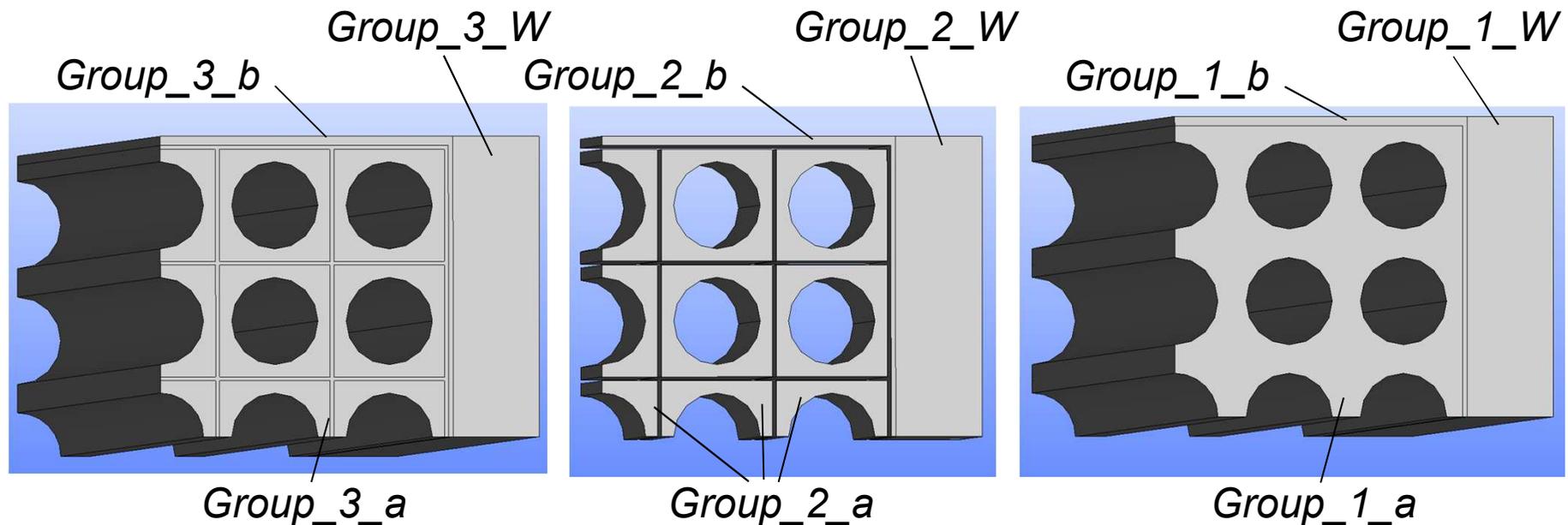
Les interactions entre assemblages déformés conduisent..

...à des endommagements de grilles en manutention



Volume sub-decomposition

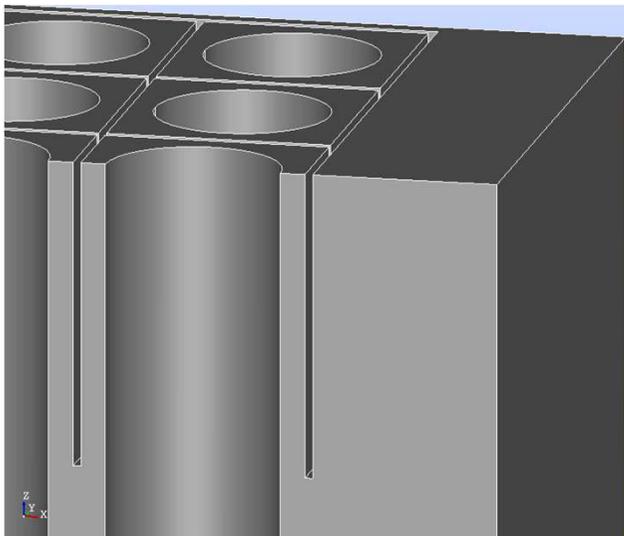
- The main brick is further decomposed in elements which can be used later to represent the different configurations desired



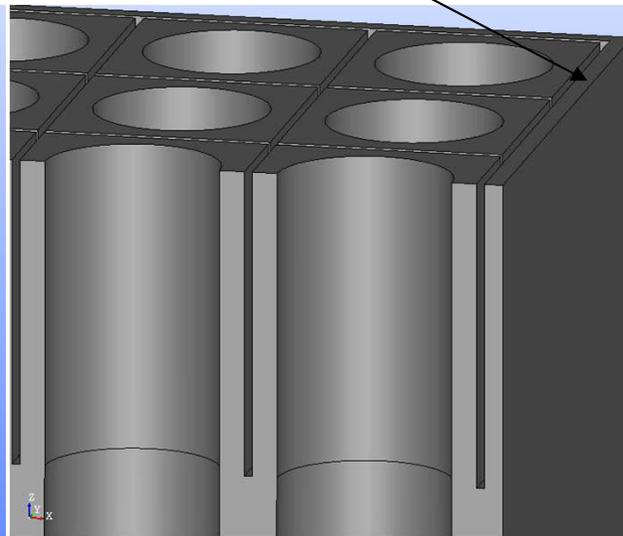
Deformation Scenarios

- Zoom on the top part to show the displacement and contact

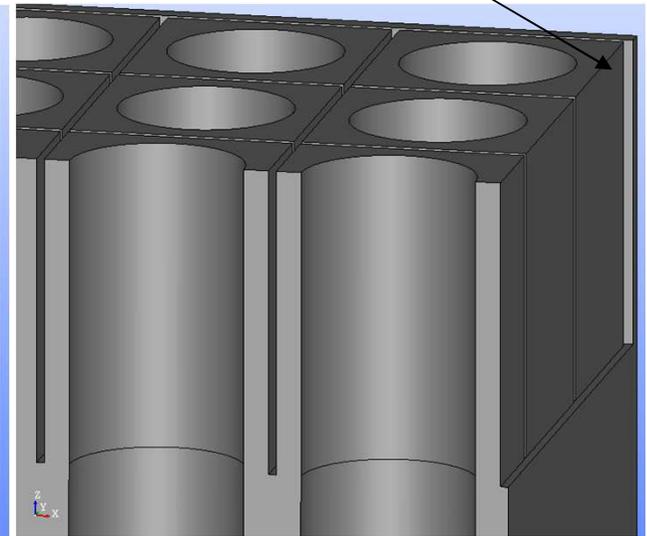
No deformation



Reduced gap

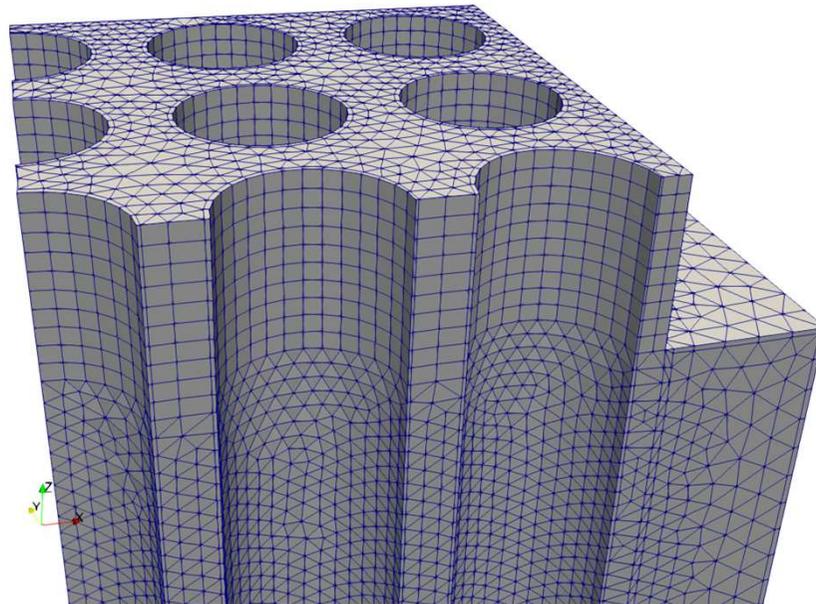


Full contact



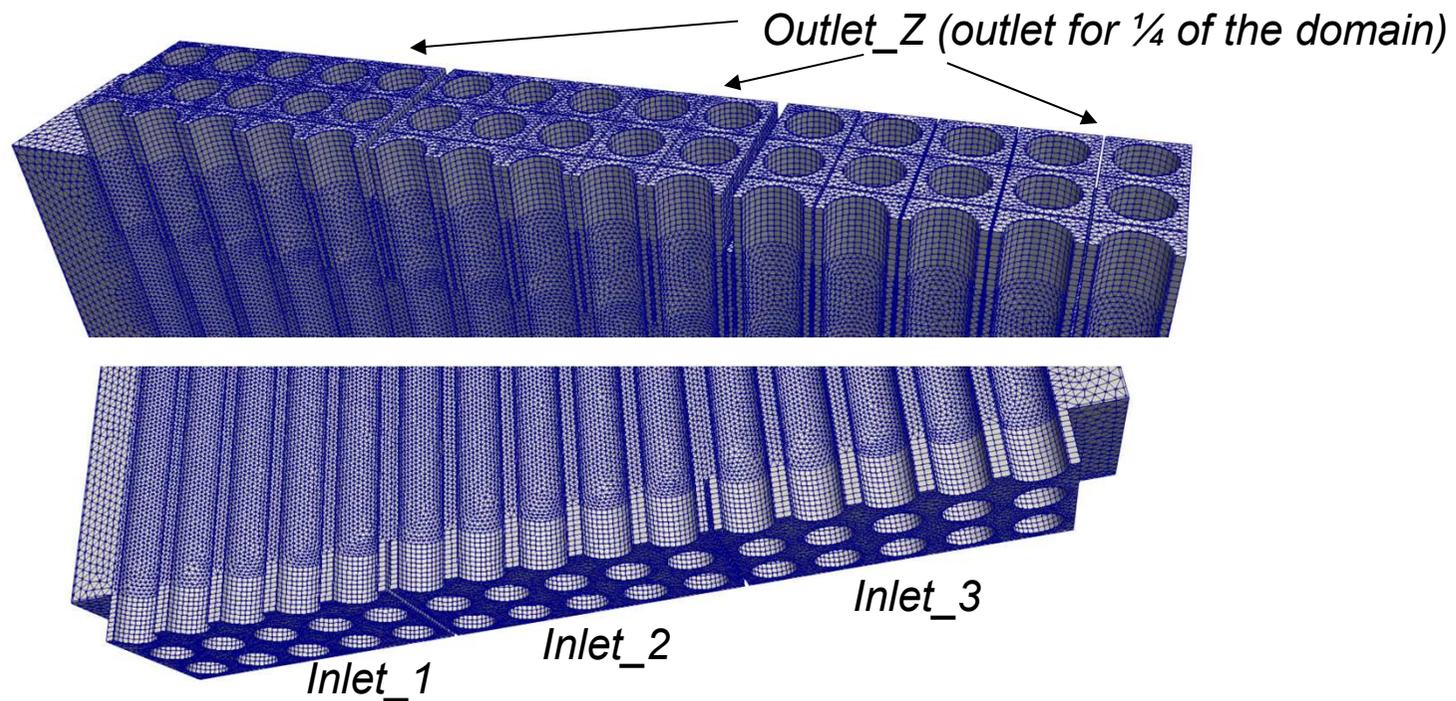
Utilising *Code_Saturne* for Meshing

- *Code_Saturne* is applied to the complete mesh in order to create both
 - The wall layers
 - The extrusions to represent the inlets and outlets
- The entire meshing process is parametrised



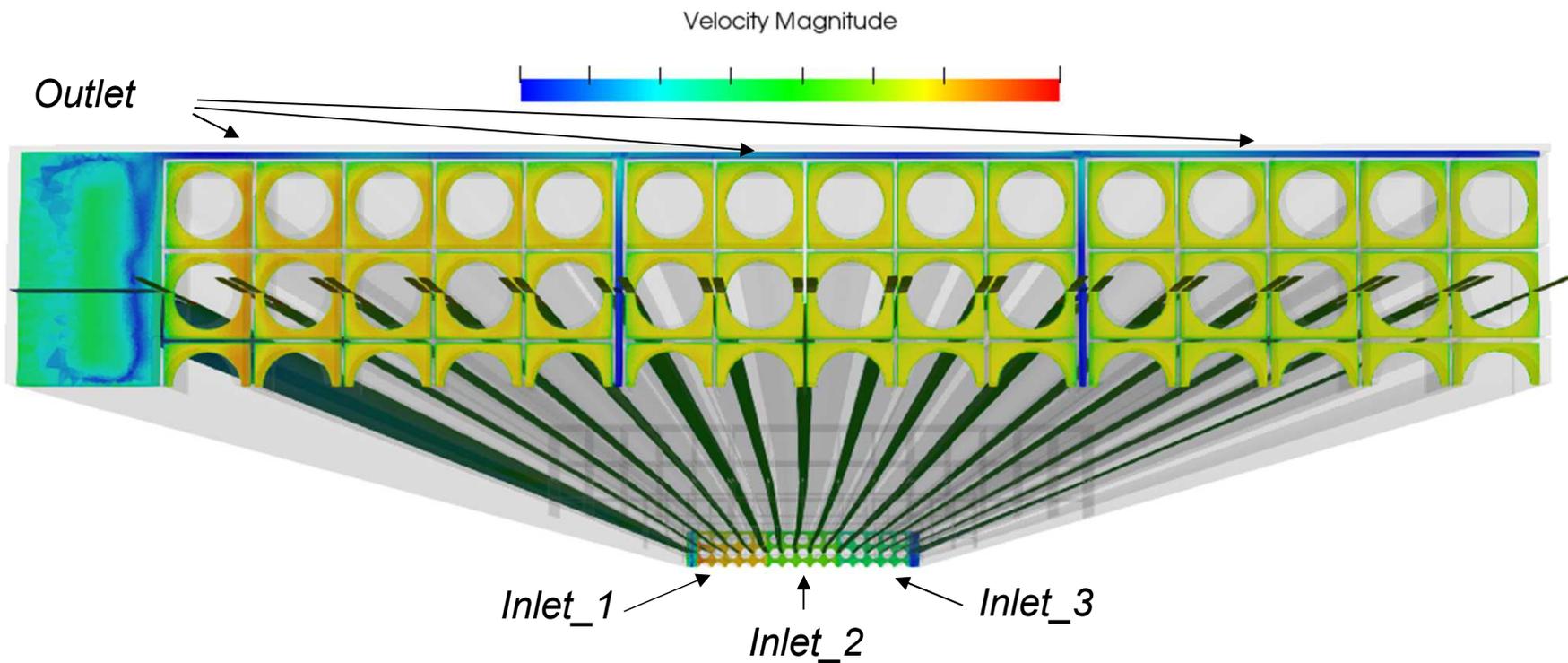
Final Mesh

- Illustration of the final, extruded mesh for the full-contact configuration



Process validation: CFD

- Verification over a few tens of iterations with *Code_Saturne*



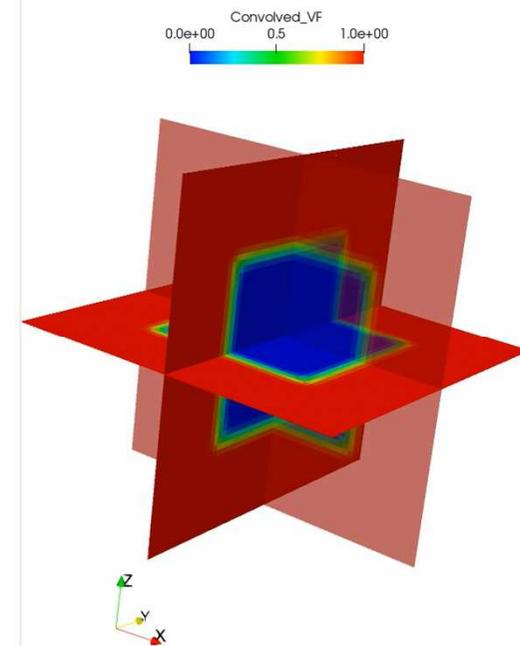
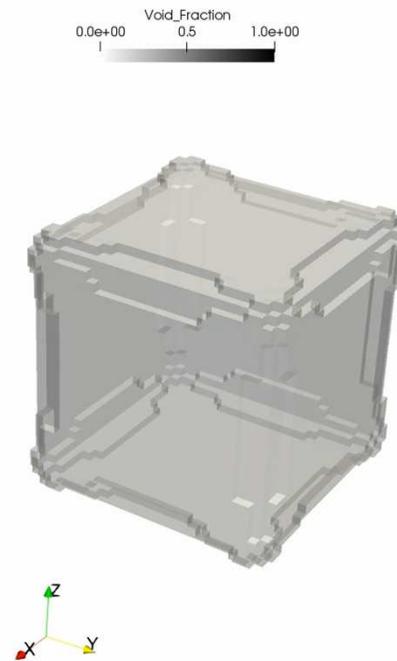
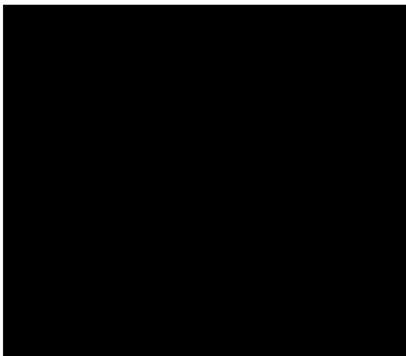
VoF – Superficial force

- Implementation of a model to account for interfacial surface tension effects in the VoF algorithm
 - Surface curvature – convolution method for general meshes

Hexahedral mesh

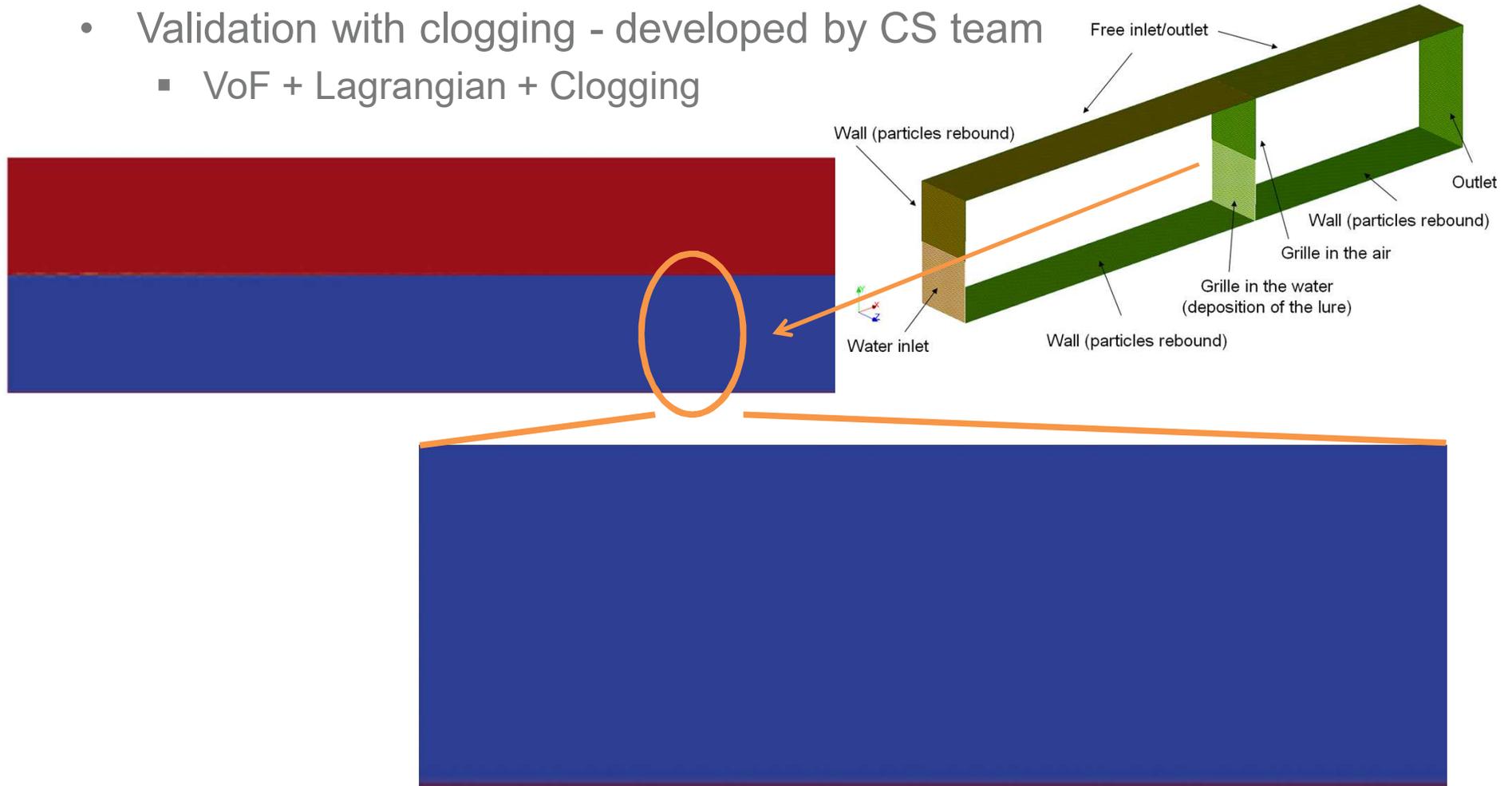


Tetrahedral mesh



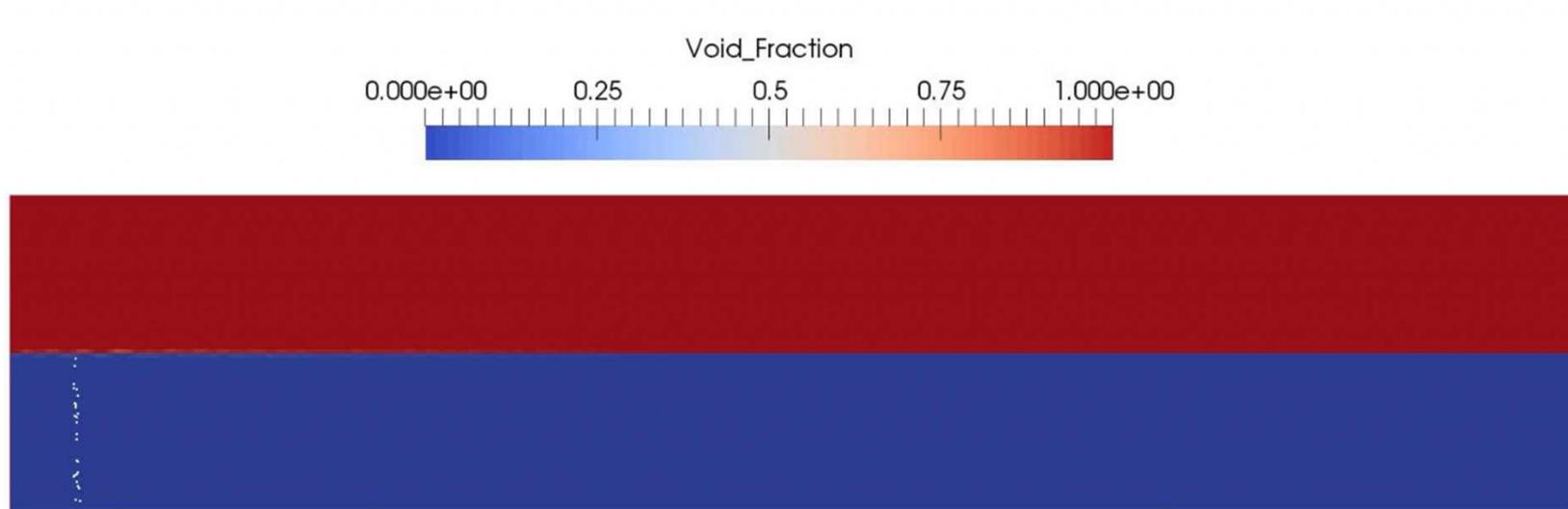
VoF + Lagrangian

- Validation with clogging - developed by CS team
 - VoF + Lagrangian + Clogging



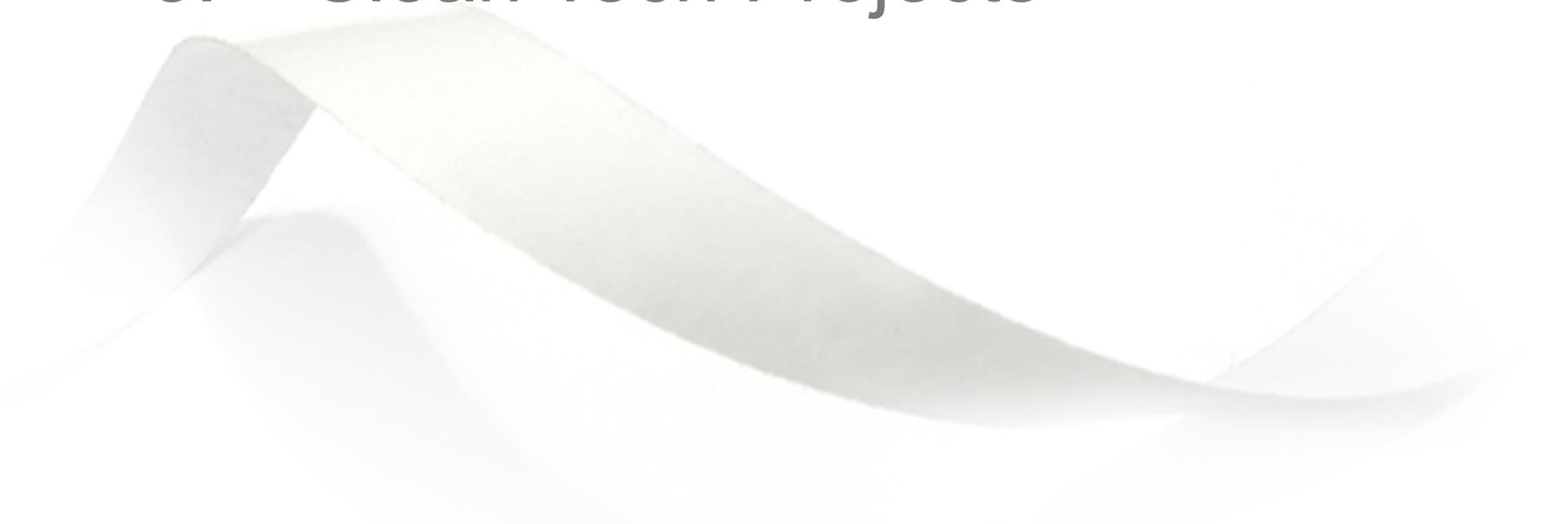
VoF + Lagrangian

- With a different density ratio, the particles clog up the entire height of the grille, forcing the flow to spill over the grille





3. Clean Tech Projects



- Optimisation of resources and growing concerns for the environment are pushing the utilisation of digital modelling such as CFD in industries which might have been relying on more traditional methods in the past
- Examples abound, from the Mining industry to Oil and Gas, Manufacturing and Waste water treatment
- Here, we present as illustrations two projects in which CFD has been at the core of the design and analysis
 - Water treatment plant in Ivory Coast
 - Plywood manufacturing

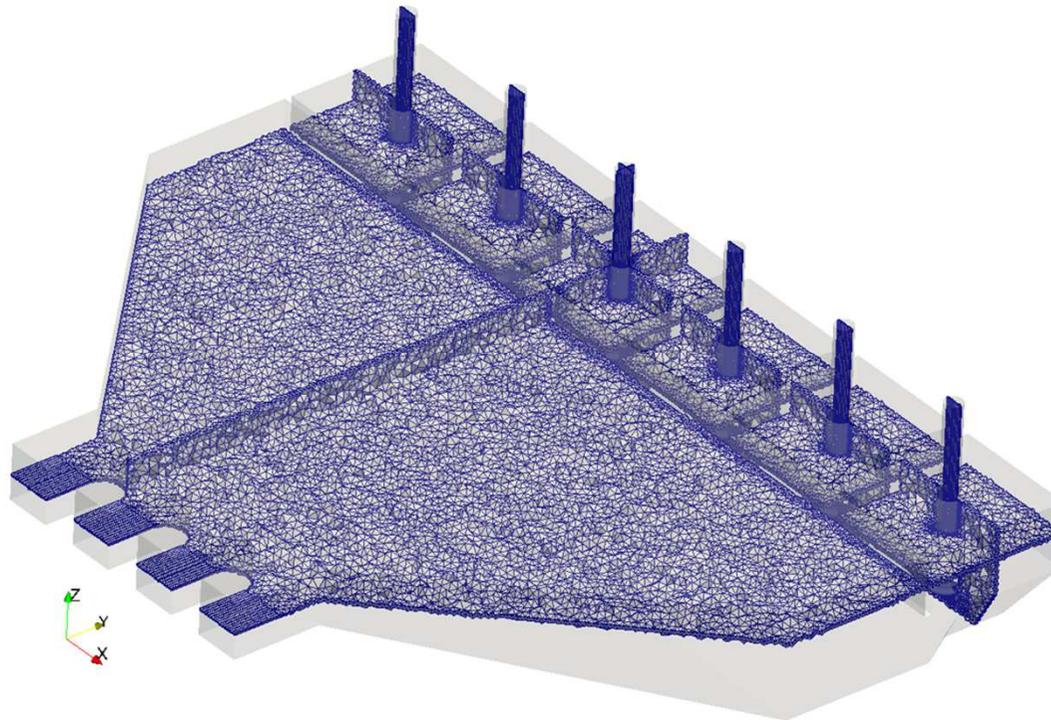
- Plant planned in Ivory Coast to supply drinking water
- Treat water from the river Mé to strengthen the supply of drinking water to the city of Abidjan



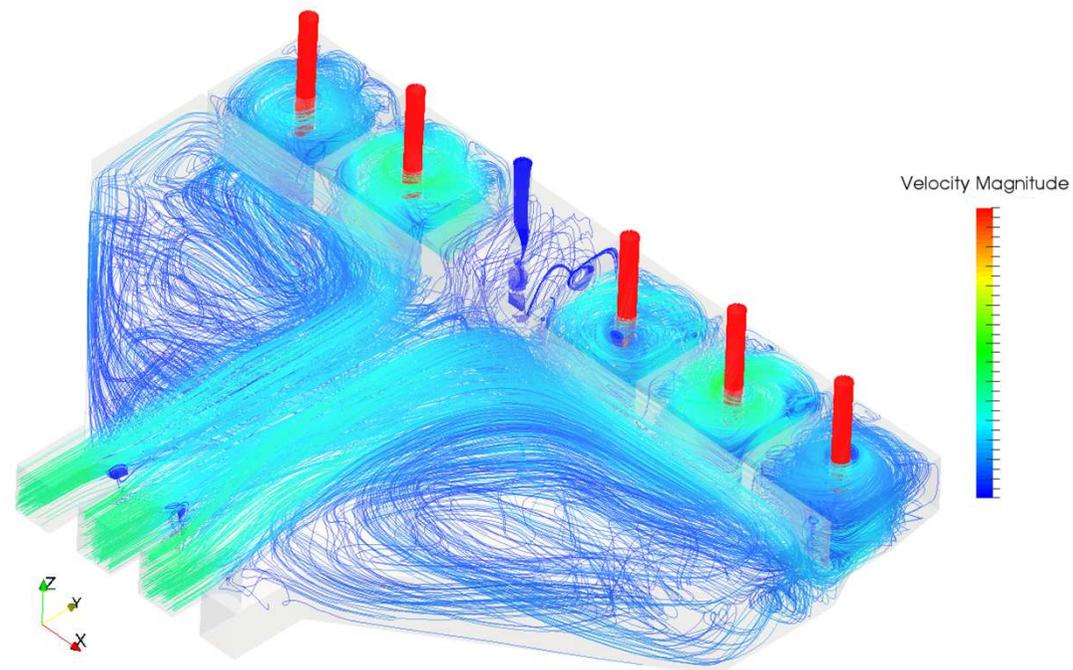
Challenge: Limit the amount of pre-rotation upstream of the pumps

Credit: BESIX Group
<https://press.besix.com/besix-in-ivory-coast-civil-engineering-works-for-a-drinking-water-treatment-plant>

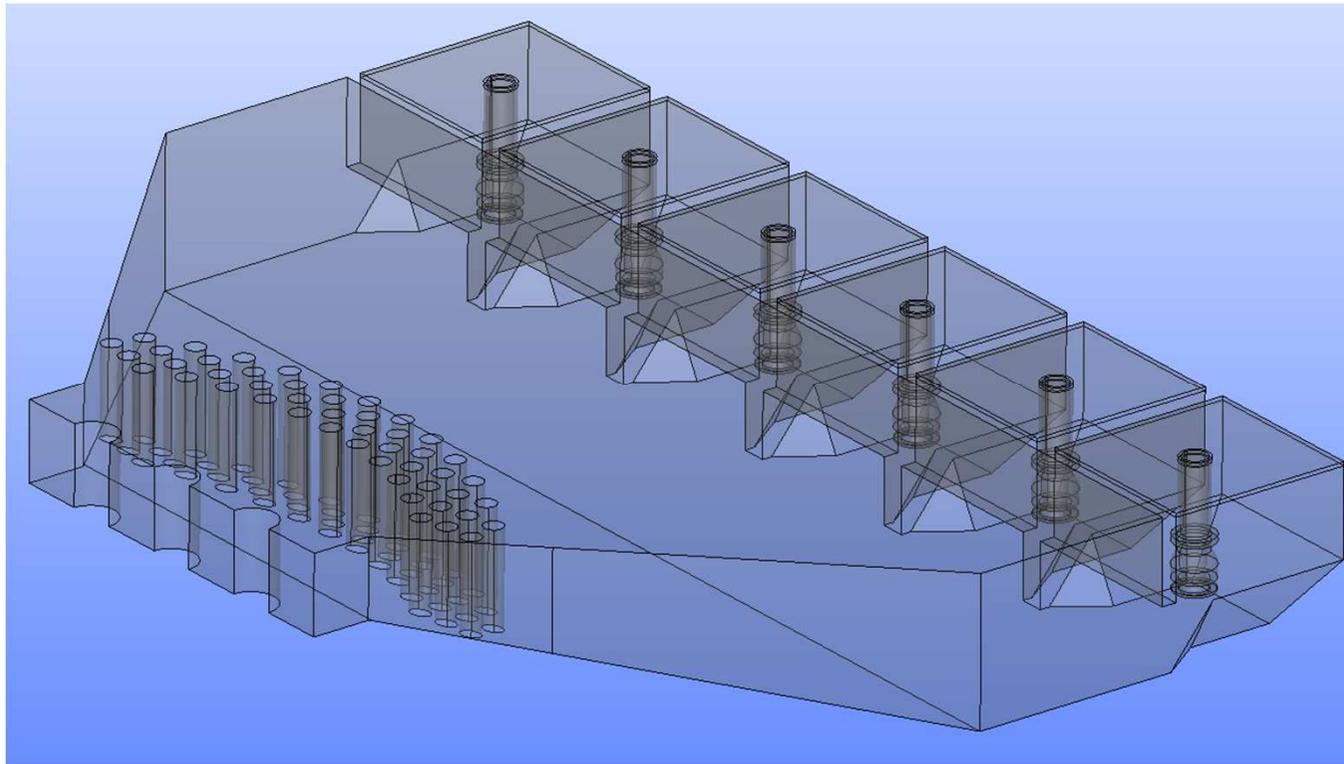
- Analysis of the design of the raw water collection station
- Series of calculations and analysis showing first large recirculations, then redesign, adding structures to distribute the flow more evenly



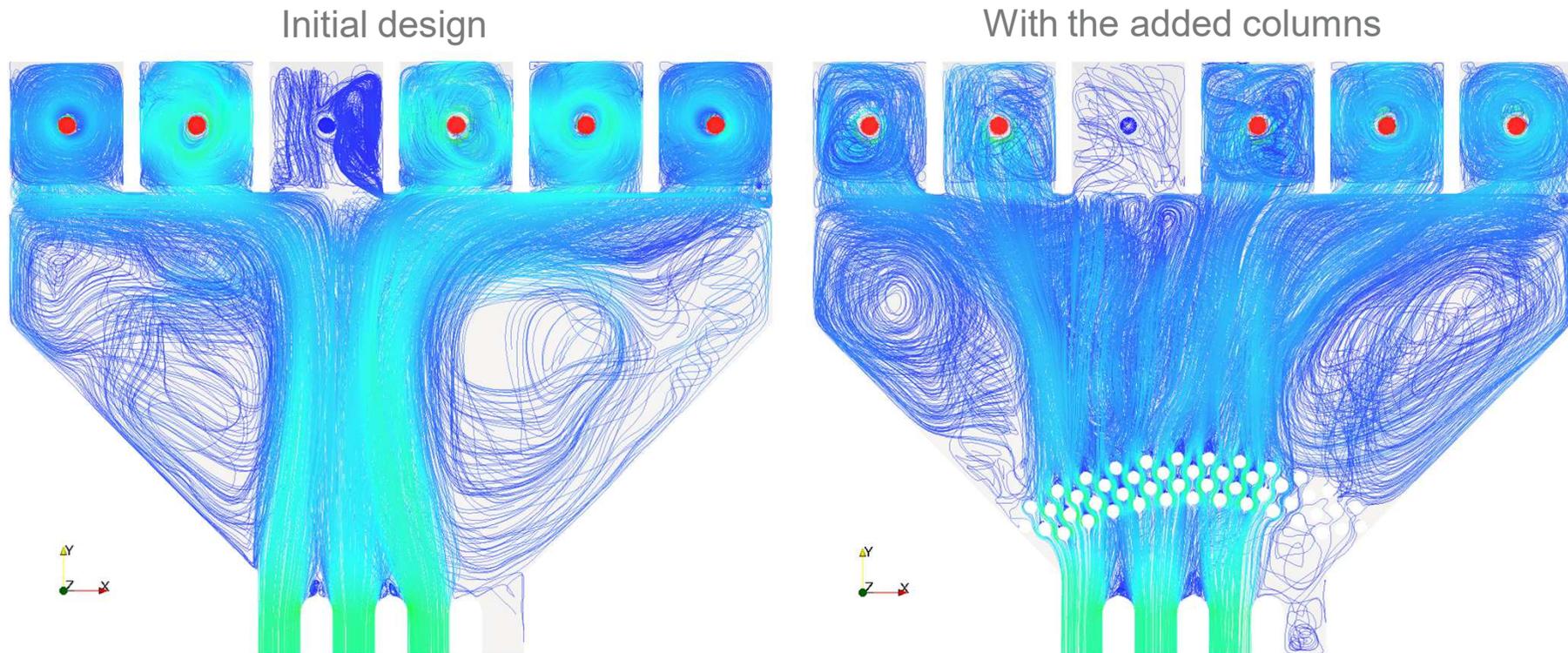
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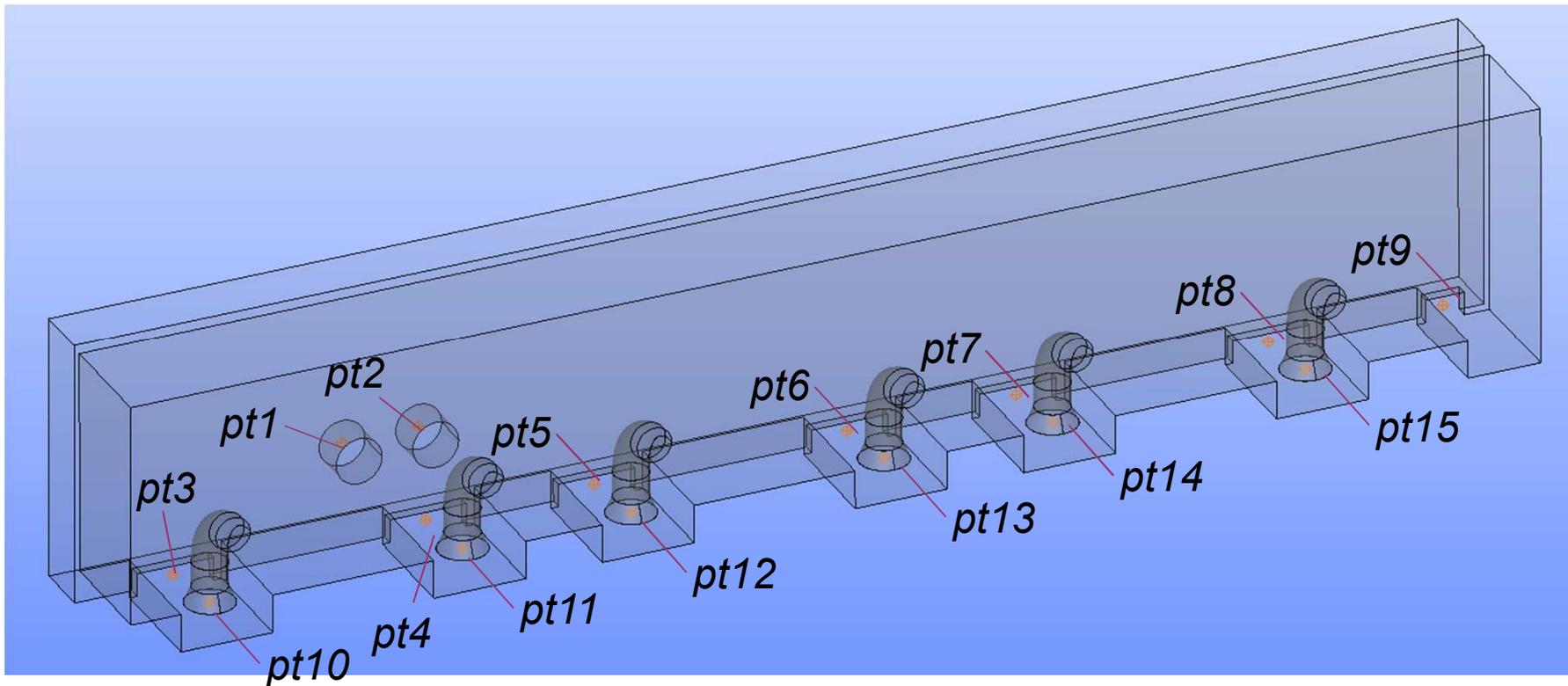
- Addition of a network of columns to diffuse the flow



- The columns contribute to diffusing the flow sideways and the pre-rotation in the pump chambers is significantly reduced

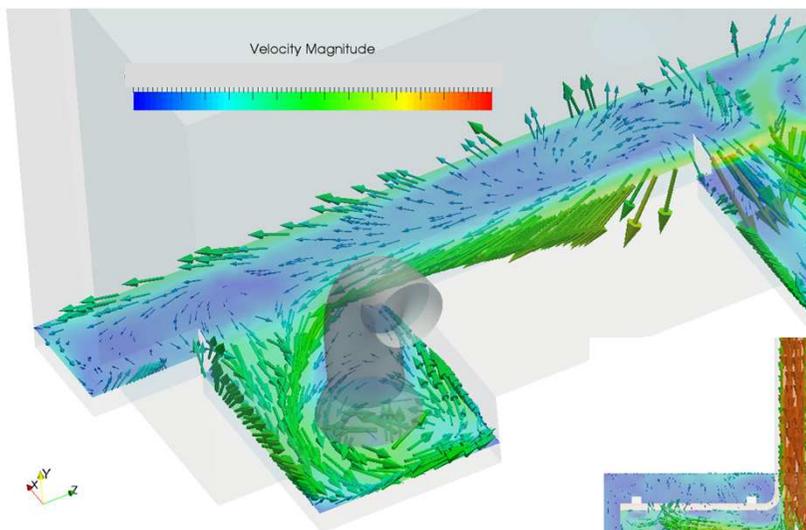


- Similarly, for the treated water pumping collection pre-rotation in the pump chambers must be limited

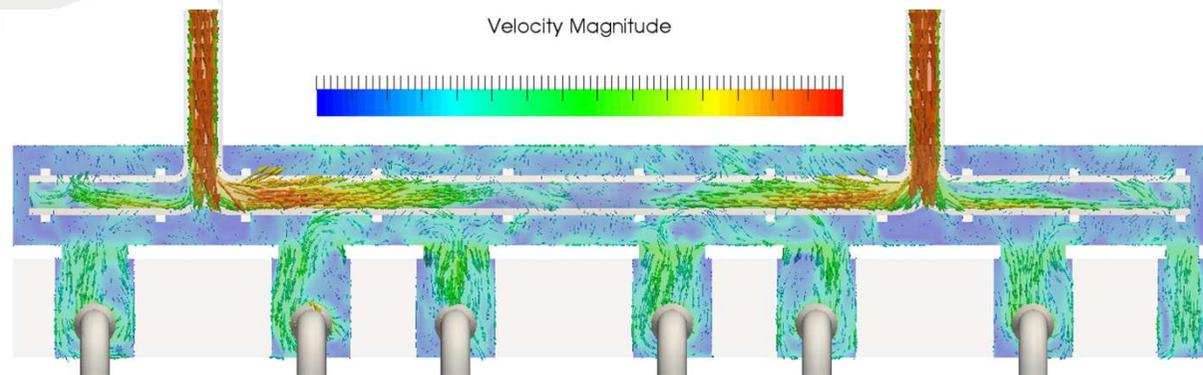


- Go through a series of designs to limit the vortices under the pumps

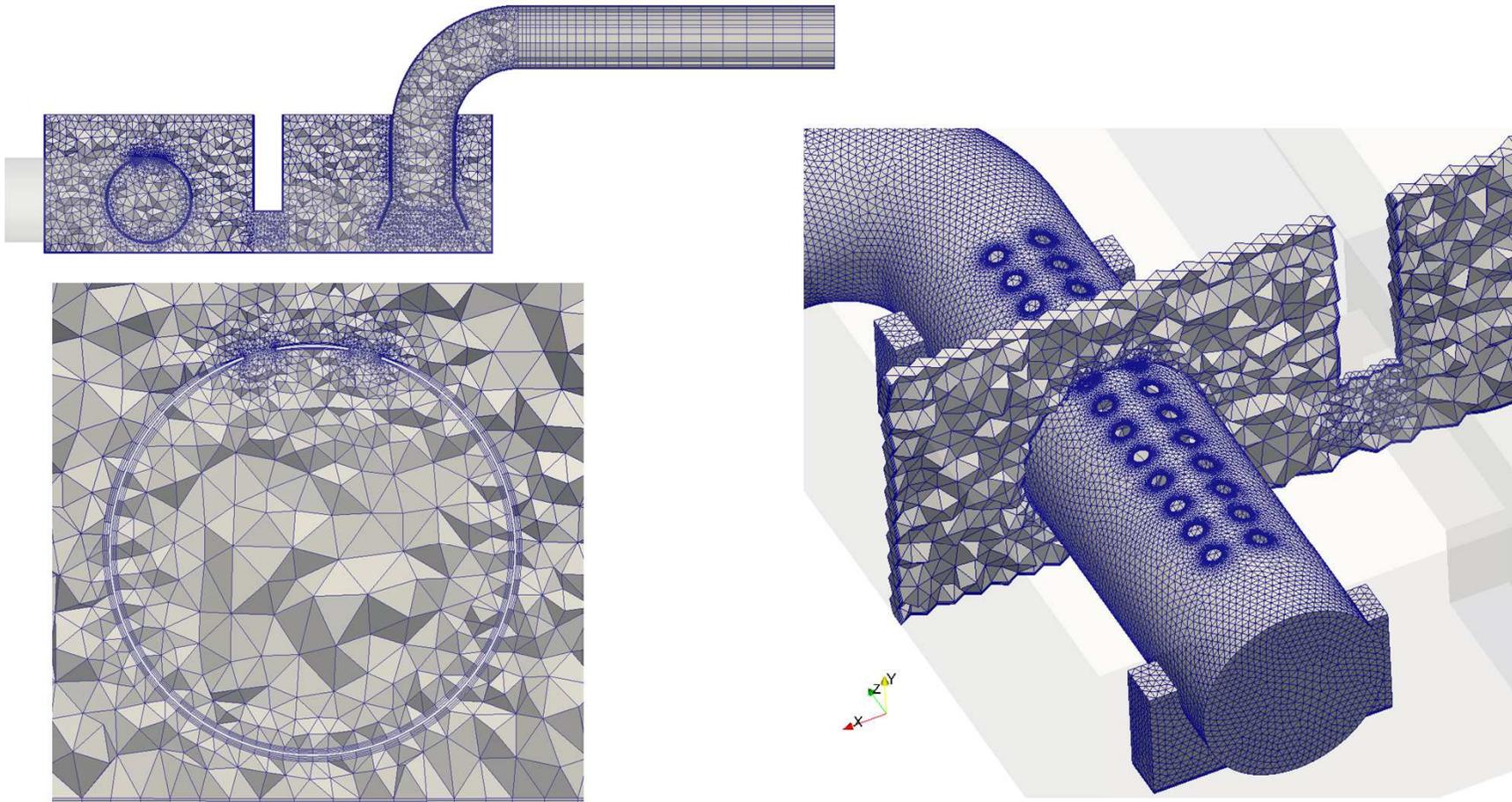
Initial design



Third design



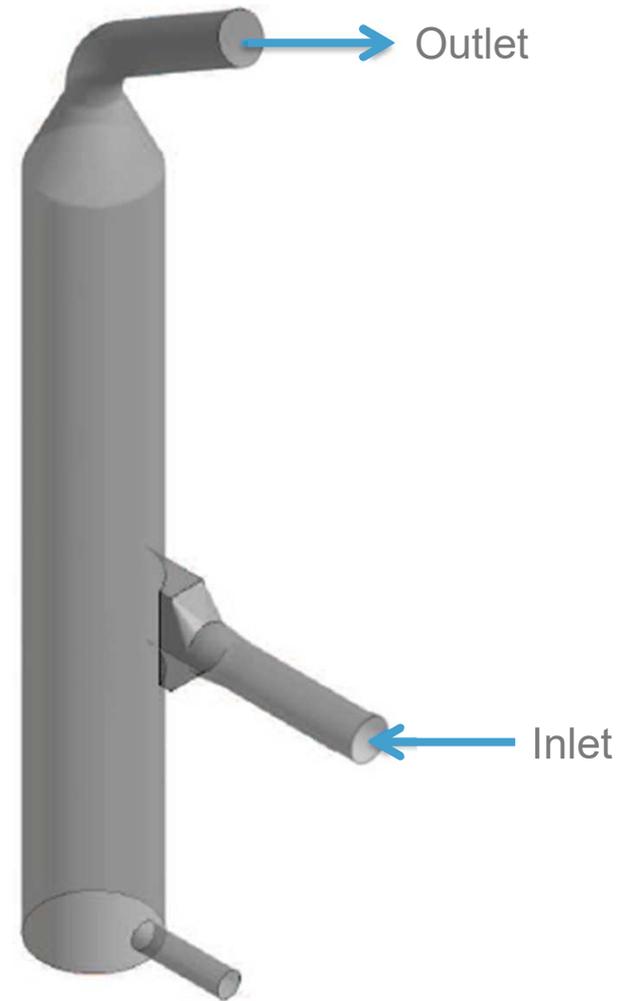
- Extrusion and wall layers all built in *Code_Saturne*



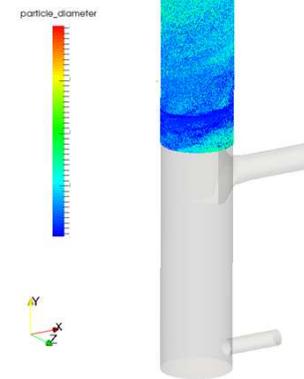
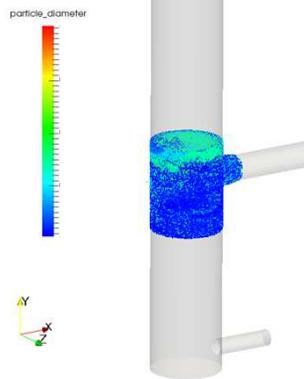
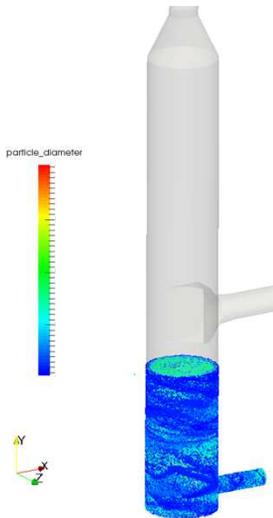
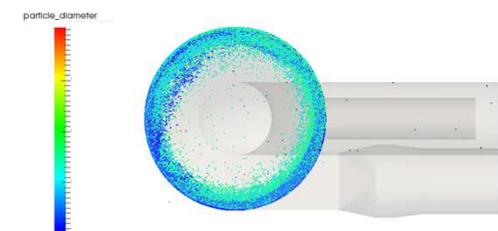
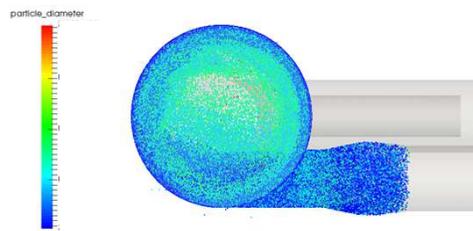
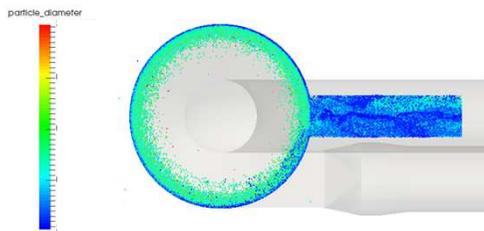
- Siempelkamp Group is a very large manufacturer:
 - Siempelkamp machine and plant engineering: wood-based panels, metal forming, composite and rubber
 - Siempelkamp foundry: castings
 - Siempelkamp NIS Ingenieurgesellschaft mbH: components and services for the Nuclear industry



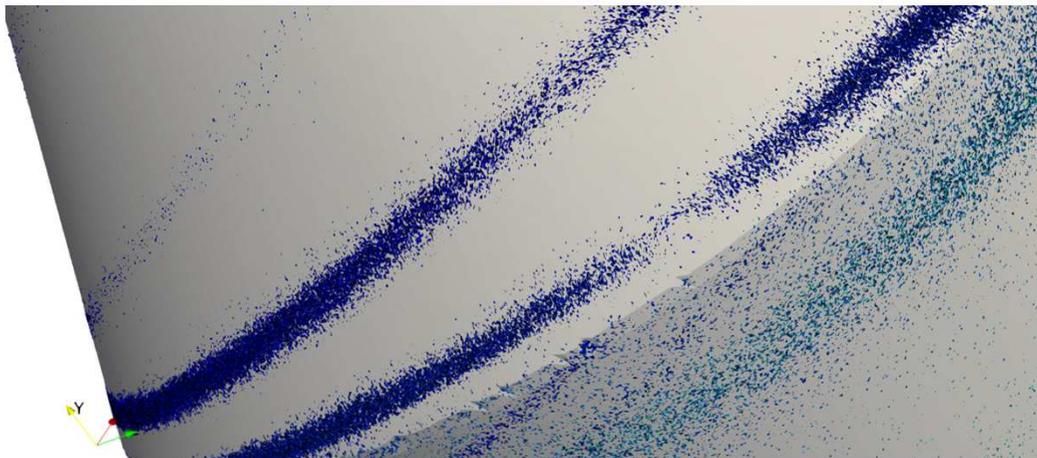
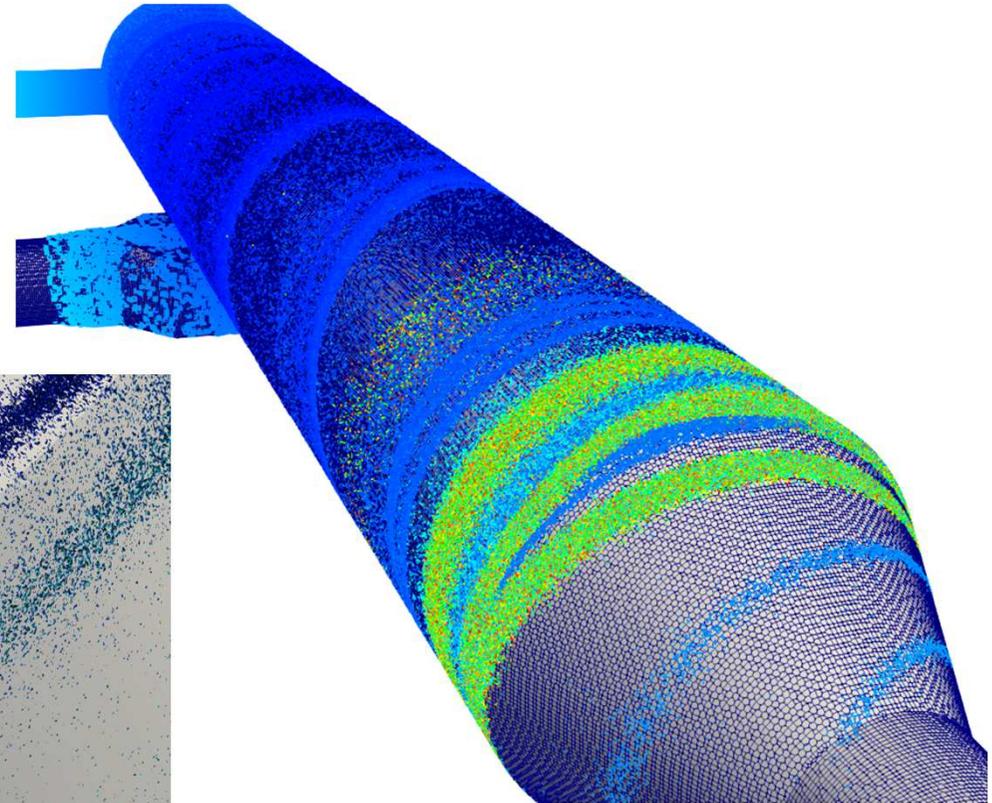
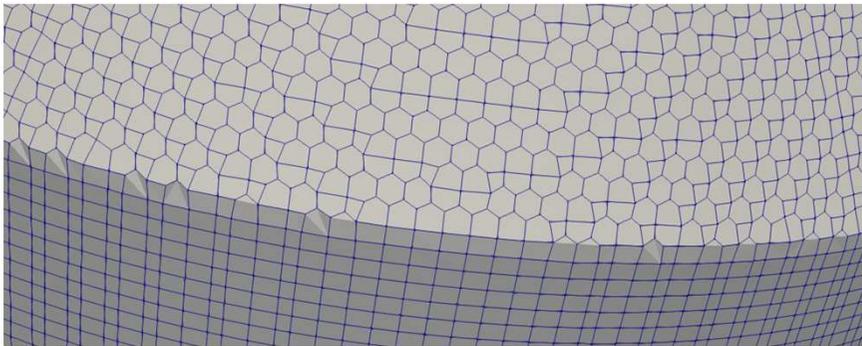
- Filtration system to clean the ventilation air
 - Extract the left-over wood particles
- CFD modelling to analyse the flow field and improve the system if required



- Series of CFD calculations indicates a higher concentration of particles in the central part of the system
 - System augmented with downward water sprays



- Significant increase of robustness by the *Code_Saturne* team to tolerate particle interactions with deformed boundary faces





3. Conclusions and Future Work



Conclusions and Future Work

- *Code_Saturne* and SALOME form a very powerful combination, which Renuda is applying in very different industrial settings and purposes. Renuda is also participating in its development
- Through the availability of multi-physics models and HPC, *Code_Saturne* can be applied to problems which are further away from the Nuclear industry
- Usability features are also essential in order for the eco system to be adopted by an increasing number of users. For example, extrusion layers and restarts on different meshes are very useful
- Digitalisation is of interest to all industries, pursuing similar goals of efficiency, optimisation and innovation
- We look forward to participating in the continued development of *Code_Saturne* to address upcoming challenges, not just machines or systems but human and societal ones

Societal Challenges

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Grand Challenges

- Environment
- Fires
- Physics and speed

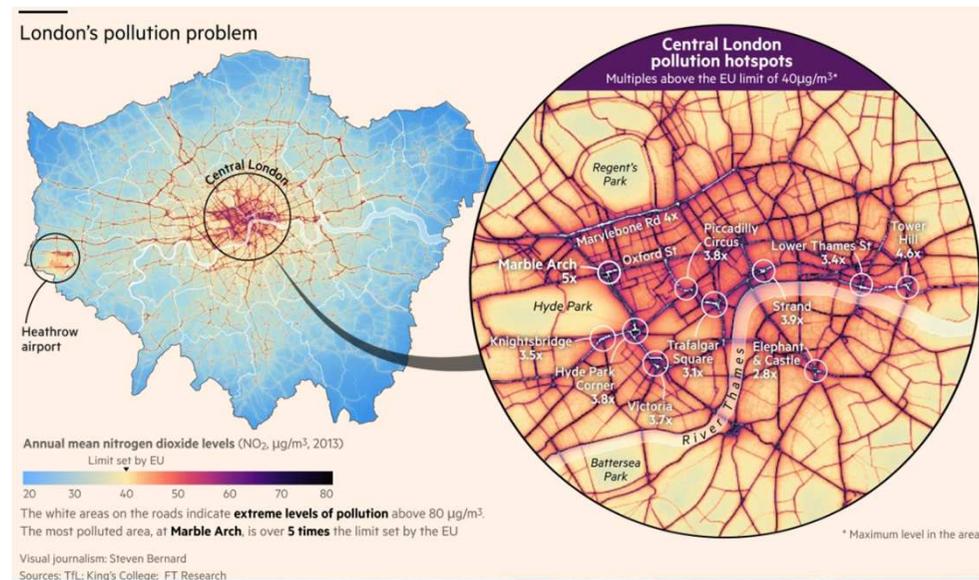


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