

# The ADREA-HF CFD code

## An overview

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# Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)

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- It is well known that CFD is increasingly applied for consequence assessment studies and Regulation Codes and Standards (RCS) support
- Main reasons:
  - CFD has the ability to treat complex scenarios, which simpler integral tools cannot handle
  - CFD cost is relatively lower than experiments
  - CFD tools present generally realistic simulation times
  - CFD tools/models are increasingly validated against relevant release, dispersion and combustion phenomena



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- CFD prediction of flow and dispersion of pollutants in complex geometry at local scale for consequence assessment of accidental releases under realistic conditions
  - With applications in
    - Chemical industry
    - Petrochemical industry
    - Automotive industry
    - Hydrogen technologies
    - RCS support
    - CO2 technologies ...



- The fluid
  - Ideal multi-component mixtures
  - Thermodynamic equilibrium (HEM)
  - Each specie can be in vapor or non-vapor phase (water or solid)
  - Solidification modelling following Witlox et al., JLP, 2009
  - Raoult's law to obtain non-vapor fractions
  - User specified physical properties (non-ideal gas physical properties from tables)
- The mean flow
  - Solves the 3d, time dependent fully compressible conservation equations for mixture mass, momentum, enthalpy and total component mass (one for each component)
  - Hydrodynamic non-equilibrium (slip velocity between phases)
- Turbulence
  - RANS turbulence modelling. Series of turbulence models.
  - Pollutant concentration fluctuations modeled
  - LES modelling (Smagorinski, RNG)
  - Various turbulent Prandtl number models



- Boundary conditions
  - Solid air thermal interaction by solving the 1d temperature equation inside the ground
  - Various wall function capabilities (account of stability)
- Pollutant Sources
  - Handles dense, neutral and buoyant releases.
  - Instantaneous and time-varying (continuous) releases.
  - Subsonic and sonic jets.
  - Single and two-phase releases
  - Pool formation and spreading modelled
- Combustion
  - Eddy dissipation model (currently under validation for CH<sub>4</sub> and H<sub>2</sub> combustion)



- Discretization
  - Control volume approach in Cartesian grids
  - Solids/obstacles treated with porosity formulation
- Accuracy
  - Up 3<sup>rd</sup> order for convective terms (high order schemes with limiters)
  - Up to 2<sup>nd</sup> order in time (Crank Nickolson or backwards Euler)
- Solution techniques
  - Bi-CGStab and GMRES solvers
  - various types of pre-conditioners giving computing time nearly  $O(N)$
  - Parallel calculations with OpenMP for shared memory machines
  - Parallel calculations with MPICH for clusters and/or shared memory machines
  - Automatic time step increase/decrease procedures





# ADREA-HF code

# Numerics

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- User specific
  - No memory restrictions. Full dynamic memory allocations.
  - Run can be stopped and restarted from where it stopped
  - Run can read and interpolate results from previous ADREA-HF run on different grid
  - User can write his own FORTRAN code and have access to the ADREA-HF internal code variables. User routines are called at the beginning of run and at end of each time step





- Environment
  - GUI in Windows (OpenCascade based)
  - Main code (VC++ and F90) in Windows and Linux
- Pre-processing
  - Fast geometry introduction (primitive shapes, complex shapes, boolean operations between solids)
  - Import of geometry from (IGES, STEP, BREP, CSFDB)
  - Export of geometry to (IGES, BREP, STL, VRML, TECPLOT)
- Post-processing
  - Contours, vectors, iso-surfaces
  - Export to TECPLOT



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# Validation

- Dense gas
  - Thorney island 8 and 21. Instantaneous releases of Fr/N<sub>2</sub> mixture without and with circular fence
  - EMU-C1 continuous Cl release in a chemical plant
- Passive
  - EMU-A1 continuous release from the door of L-shape building
- Subsonic buoyant jets
  - Russian-2 H<sub>2</sub> jet in 20m<sup>3</sup> hermetically sealed cylinder
  - INERIS-6C H<sub>2</sub> jet in 78m<sup>3</sup> garage like gallery
  - Swain garage. He jet in 67m<sup>3</sup> private parking with vehicle
  - GEXCON-D27 H<sub>2</sub> jet in 0.2m<sup>3</sup> compartmented enclosure
- Sonic buoyant jets
  - FZK tests. H<sub>2</sub> jets at 100 and 160bar
  - HSL-7. H<sub>2</sub> jet at 100bar
  - Osaka HRS. H<sub>2</sub> jets at 400bar in the storage room of the Osaka H<sub>2</sub> refuelling station
- Two-phase jets
  - EEC-55. C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> release on flat ground with and without fence
  - Burro 9 LNG release on water
  - Falcon-1 LNG release in complex geometry
  - Desert Tortoise 1. NH<sub>3</sub> release on flat ground
  - BAM-5. LH<sub>2</sub> release within buildings
  - NASA-6. LH<sub>2</sub> release on flat ground with circular fence



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# Projects

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- EIHP project (FP5)
  - H2 releases from private cars in tunnel
- EIHP2 project (FP5)
  - H2 releases from H2 bus in city and tunnel environments. Comparison to NG releases from NG bus
- Hong Kong project (Private Contract)
  - H2 releases from H2 bus in Hong Kong
- HYSAFE project (FP6, NoE)
  - H2 releases validation
- HYAPPROVAL project (FP6, STREP)
  - H2 releases from hydrogen refuelling stations
- HYPER project (FP6, STREP)
  - H2 releases from fuel cells in confined ventilated spaces
- CO2PipeHaz project (FP7, Collaborative)
  - CO2 Physical properties (MTMML)
  - CFD pre-calculations and validation (EREL)

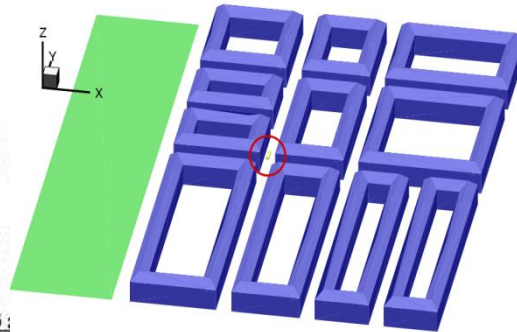


# EIHP2 project:

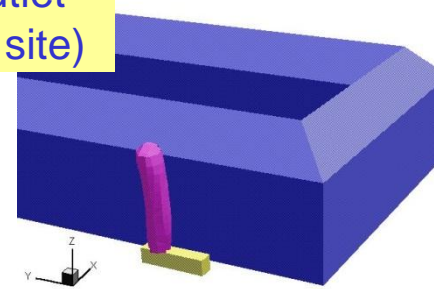
# CGH2 bus in a city

Release of 40 kg H<sub>2</sub> (168 kg CH<sub>4</sub>) through 4 outlet vents at the top of the bus (Stockholm accident site)

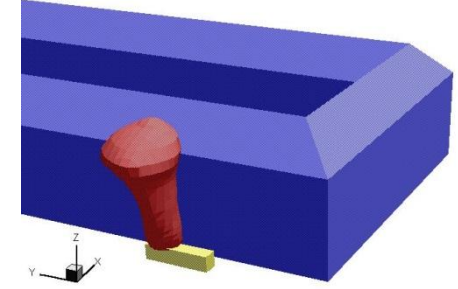
LFL clouds



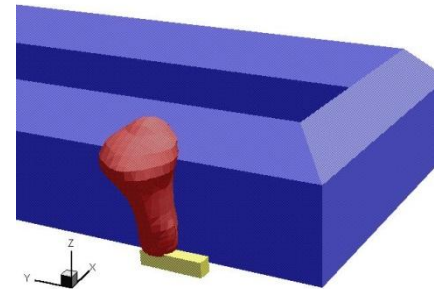
Urban site (Stockholm) showing assumed bus location



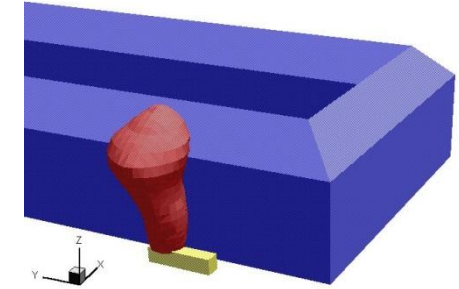
CH<sub>4</sub>, 20MPa, 7.9s



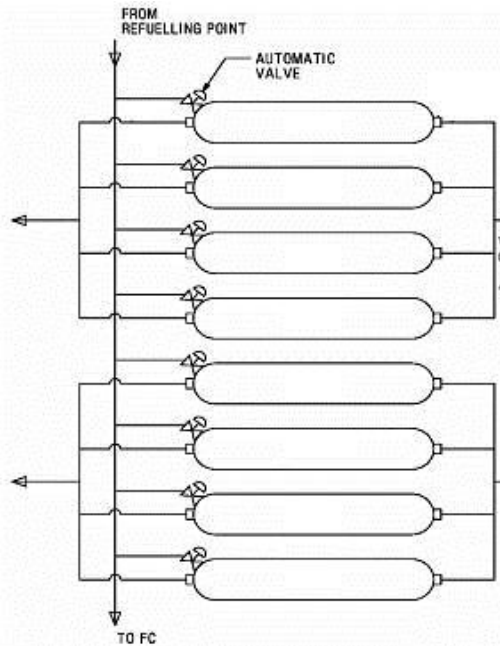
H<sub>2</sub>, 20MPa, 10.9s, 12.1 kg



H<sub>2</sub>, 35MPa, 7.7s, 14.7 kg



H<sub>2</sub>, 70MPa, 5.2s, 18.5 kg



Bus storage system

Fuel-Pressure (MPa)	Energy (MJ)	Fireball		Overpressure		
		Average diameter at 2.0m above ground (m)	Maximum diameter at any height above ground (m)	Distance to 2kPa overpressure (m)	Distance to 21kPa overpressure (m)	Distance to 35kPa overpressure (m)
H2-20	1460	12.7 <sup>a</sup>	18.8	75	7	3
H2-35	1760	10.5 <sup>a</sup>	15	91	8	3
H2-70	2220	16.0 <sup>a</sup>	21.5	100	9	5
CH4-20	754	11.0 <sup>a</sup>	15	65	L	L

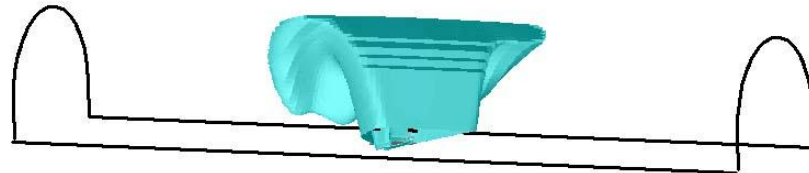
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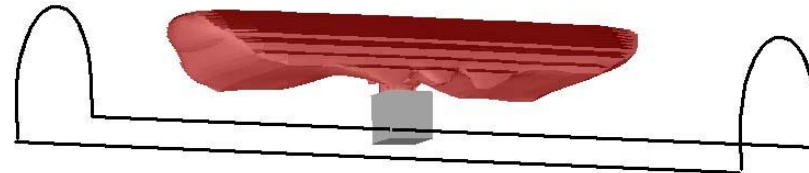
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# CGH2 bus in tunnel

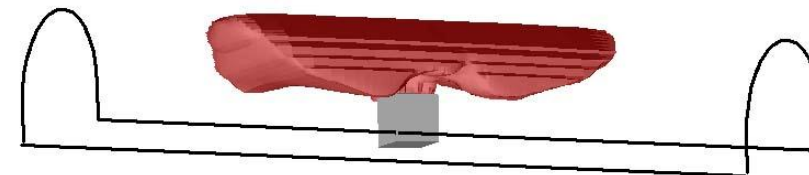
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CH<sub>4</sub>, 20MPa, 40s, 1756m<sup>3</sup>, 110kg

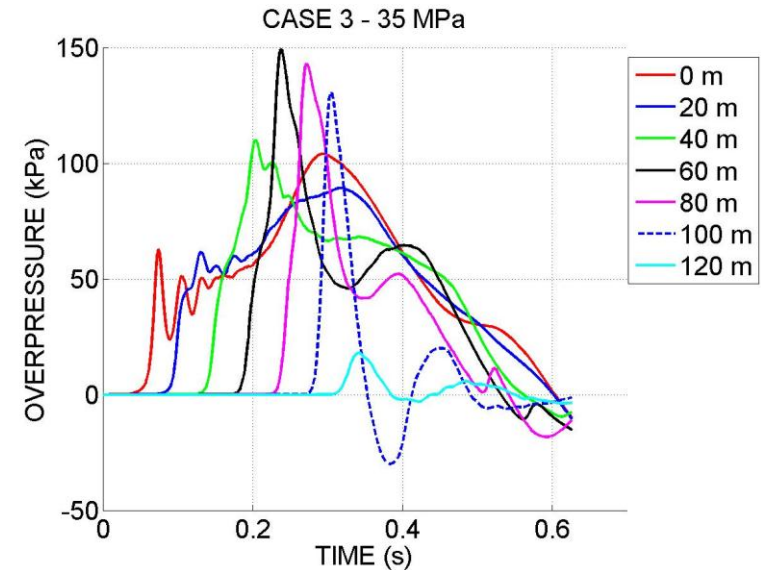


H<sub>2</sub>, 20MPa, 40s, 2358m<sup>3</sup>, 32.4kg



H<sub>2</sub>, 35MPa, 30s, 2180m<sup>3</sup>, 32.5kg

Release of 40 kg H<sub>2</sub> (168 kg CH<sub>4</sub>) through 4 outlet vents at the top of the bus



FUEL	PRESSURE (MPa)	ENERGY (MJ)	FIREBALL	OVERPRESSURE
			Length Along The Tunnel (m)	Peak Overpressure (kPa)
H <sub>2</sub>	20	3890	220 <sup>a</sup>	42.5
	35	3900	285 <sup>a</sup>	150
NG	20	5380	198	45

Taken from Venetsanos et al. (2007) J. Loss Prevention in the Process Industry, 21





## HyApproval project:

## Examined scenarios

- Dispenser: rupture of dispensing line (CGH2 35 and 70 MPa, LH2)
- Trailer: Hose disconnection during discharge (CGH2 20 MPa, LH2)

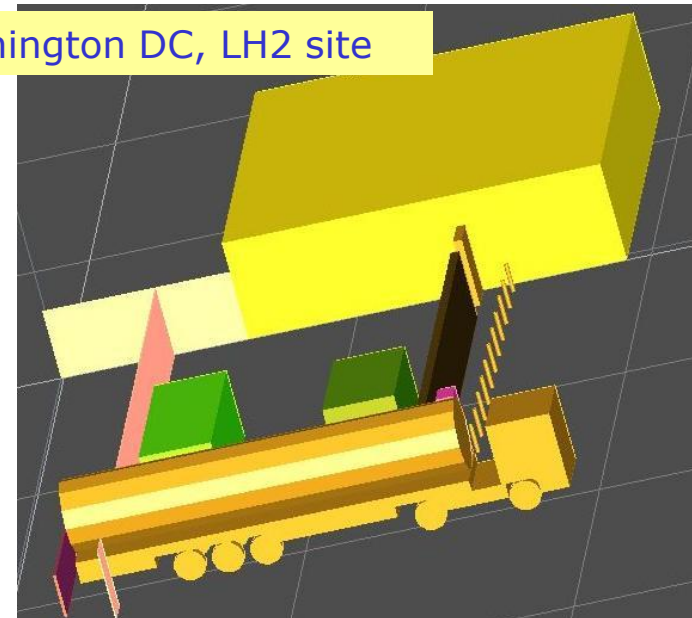
Shell-HSL experimental site (2006)



Luxemburg CGH2 site



Washington DC, LH2 site

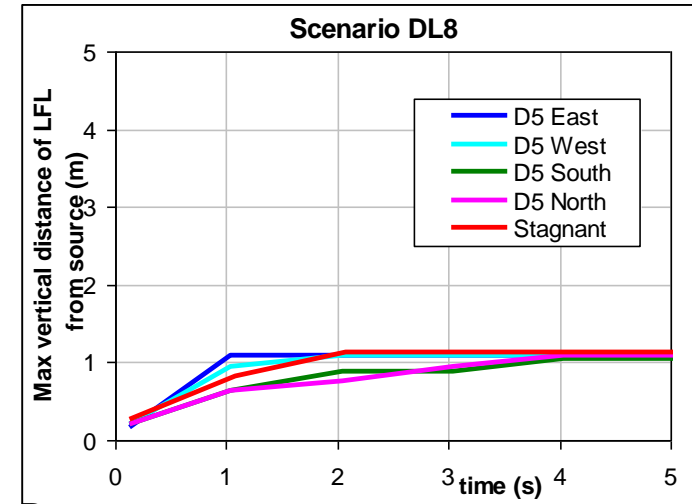
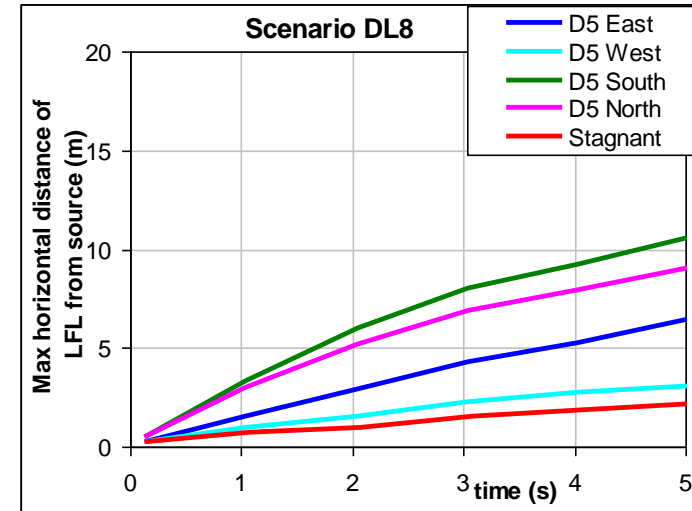
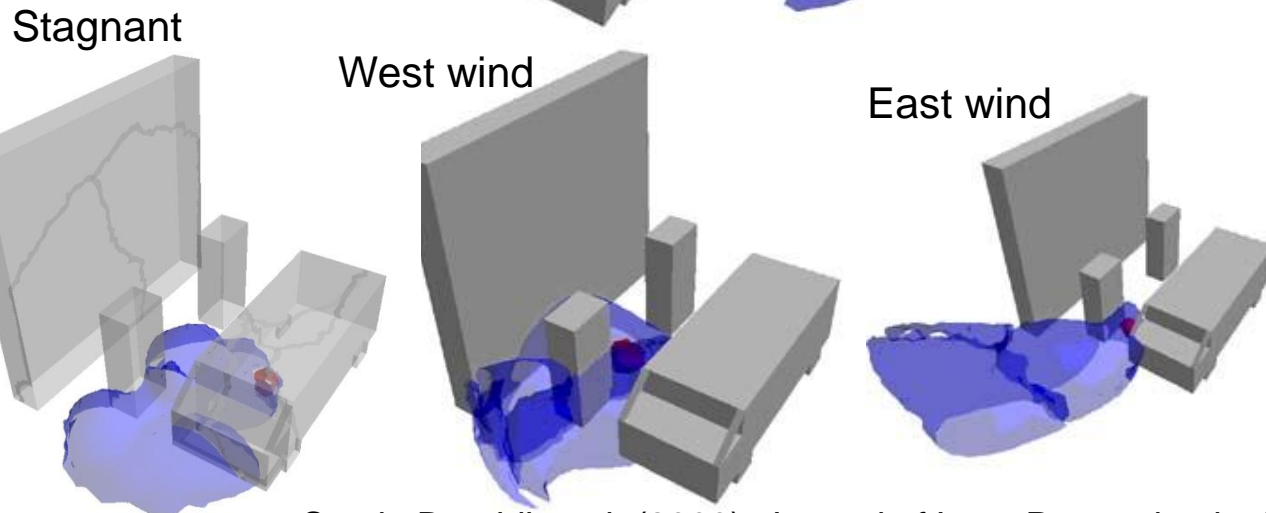
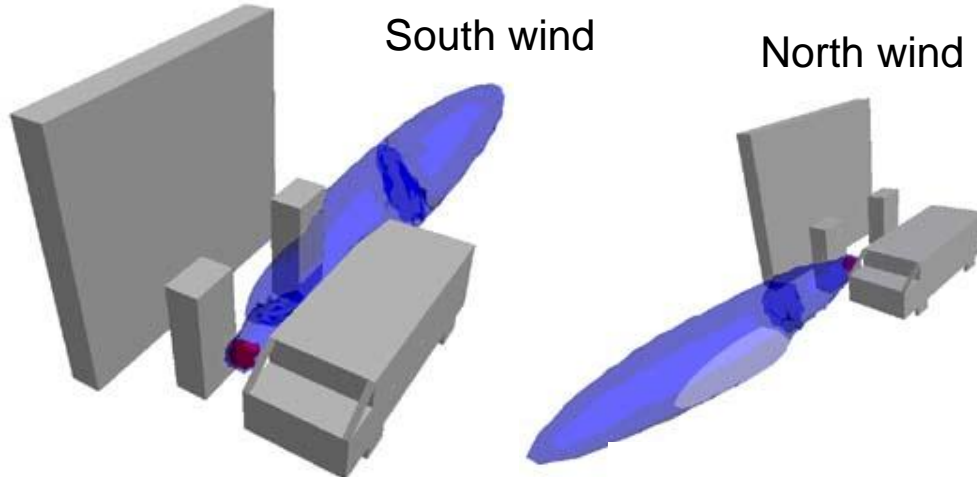


# HyApproval project: LH2 dispenser leak

Predicted LFL clouds at 5 sec

267g LH2 released in 5 seconds (hose id = 8mm)

5 m/s wind at 10m height



See in Baraldi et al. (2009), Journal of Loss Prevention in the Process Industries (22) 303–315



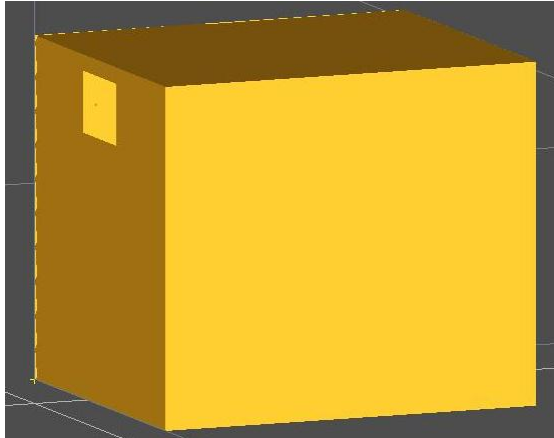


## Hyper project:

## Fuel Cell Leak

Fuel cell located inside naturally ventilated test facility

14.8g H<sub>2</sub> released in 60 seconds



Naturally Ventilated Test Facility (CVE)



Location and Interior of Fuel Cell

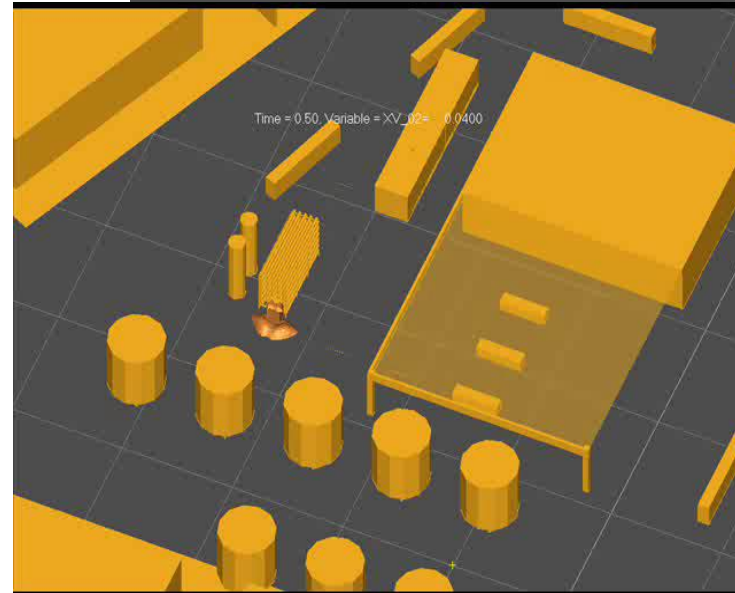
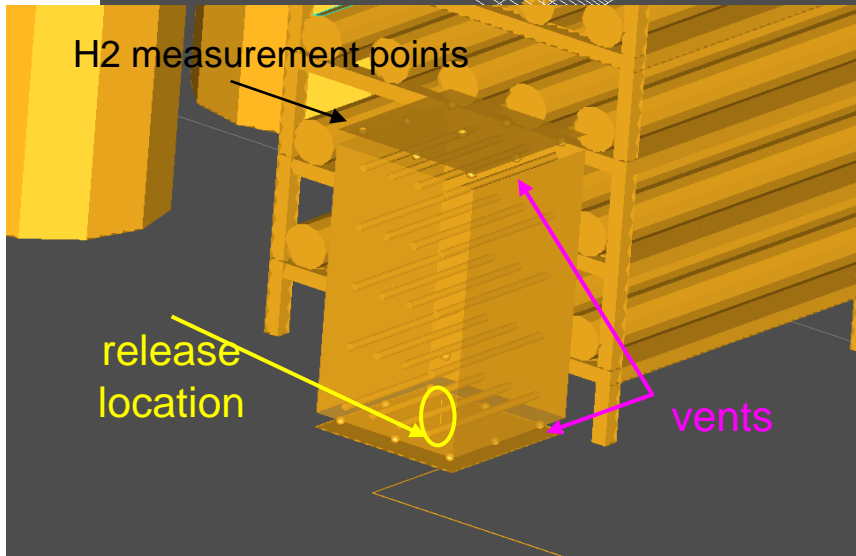
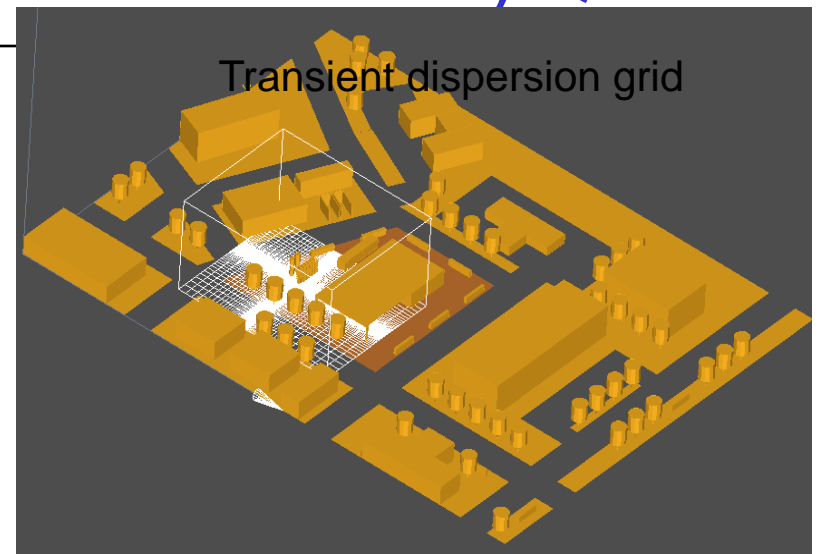
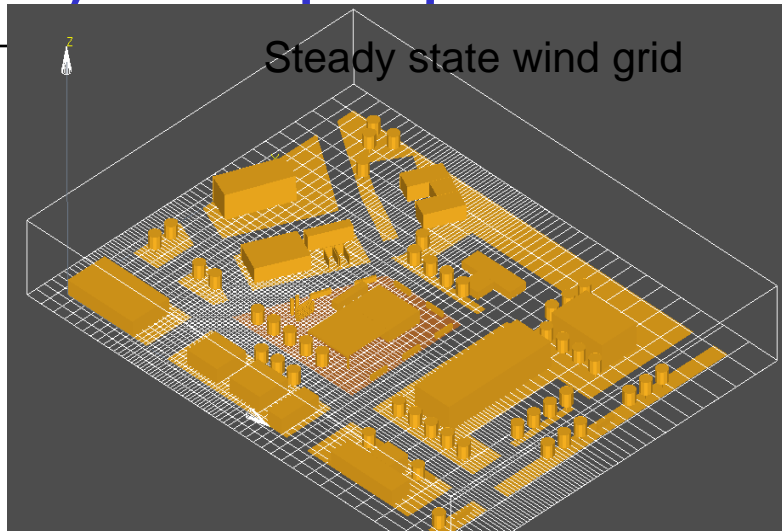


See in Papanikolaou et al. (2011), Int. J. Hydrogen Energy, 36 (2011), pp. 2597-2605.

# HySafe project:

Hypothetical Hydrogen  
Refuelling Station

# HyQRA



Scenario: Constant 1.2 Kg/s H<sub>2</sub> release (450 bar) for 5 s (ESD activation) dropping to zero in 20 s

See in Papanikolaou et al. (2011), Int. J. Hydrogen Energy, 36 (2011), pp. 2573-2581.



# ADREA-HF code

# Links

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[www.demokritos.gr/erel](http://www.demokritos.gr/erel)

Venetsanos A.G., Papanikolaou E., Bartzis J.G.,

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Int. J. Hydrogen Energy 35 (2010) 3908–3918

**Thank You**

