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# MFIX SIMULATIONS FOR 1 Mega Watt Pilot Device Installation Guide and User Manual

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# 1. INSTALLATION

CCSI 1MW simulations are custom MFIX simulations. For that reason, the general installation procedure in this user manual follows that of MFIX [1]. In this session, only the 1MW specific installation procedure will be covered in details, leaving the general MFIX steps referring to the MFIX manual.

## 1.1. Prerequisites

The hardware and software prerequisites follow exactly that of MFIX [1].

## 1.2. Third Party Software

Open-source, multi-platform data analysis and visualization application ParaView is recommended for the MFIX simulation post-processing purpose. Users can download ParaView software online from <http://www.paraview.org/>.

Users can choose other similar visualization tools (for example, *Visit*) for the post-processing need.

## 1.3. Product Installation

This session will only describe the steps to build CFD models for 1MW CFD simulations. It is assumed that users have downloaded MFIX source files of version 2014-1, set environment variables and alias, and built `mfix.exe` on their chosen platform under `$InstallDir/mfix/model`. Users can build either a serial version or a parallel version of `mfix.exe` following instructions in [1].

Download file named `CCSI_1MWCFD.tgz` from the following URL:  
[https://www.acceleratecarboncapture.org/drupal/product/1mw\\_cfd](https://www.acceleratecarboncapture.org/drupal/product/1mw_cfd)

Unzip the file, you will get three directories: `src`, `docs`, and `scripts`  
 The following files are under `src` directory:

```
calc_mu_s.f
allocate_arrays.f
check_data
check_data_30.f
drag_gs.f
drag_ss.f
ic_mod.f
init_namelist.f
namelist.inc
rrates0.f
set_ic.f
solve_energy_eq.f
source_u_s.f
source_v_s.f
species.inc
usr0.f
```

```
usr_init_namelist.f
usr_mod.f
usrnlst.inc
usr_rates.f
```

Note that `check_data` is a subdirectory containing two files:

```
check_bc_inflow.f
check_initial_conditions.f
```

This Installation Guide/User Manual file `CCSI_Software_Install_1MW.docx` is available under `docs` directory.

The script files, which are useful for pre- and post-processing of the 1MW CFD simulations, are under `scripts` directory:

```
PP1MW.pl
PostMfix.pm
MyMath.pm
Util.pm
mfix.dat
mfix.mod
Modify1MW2.pl
RunCase
RunAll.pl
ProcessAll.pl
```

### Build custom code for 1MW system simulations

The 1MW system custom code should be built on top of MFIX official release of September 2014 (Version 2014-1). This release can be downloaded from MFIX web site:

<https://mfix.netl.doe.gov/mfix/download-mfix>

The installation from the official release should create and populate content under `$InstallDir`, i.e., `$HOME/mfix`.

Create a directory for 1MW, e.g., `$HOME/CCSI/1MW`, and copy all the custom source code files to the directory. In the 1MW directory type “`sh $InstallDir/model/make_mfix`” and follow instructions on [1] to build the model. The build process will compile object files and generate a custom `mfix.exe` in directory `$InstallDir/mfix/model`. Upon successful compilation, `mfix.exe` is also copied to `$HOME/CCSI/1MW`.

## 2. SIMULATIONS

A sample model input file `mfix.dat` for the 1MW simulation is included in the `scripts` directory. Users can choose to run serial or parallel version of the CFD simulation. For more details, please refer to [1] for general MFIX simulations.

The 1MW simulations consist of large number of simulations with 14 varying parameters with values designed by the uncertainty quantification (UQ) analysis. In the following, a brief instruction is provided to summarize the automation procedure that facilitates the simulations and post-processing needs.

## 2.1.PRE-PROCESSING

For both pre-processing and post-processing, the user should copy the Perl script files to \$HOME/bin directory that is included in PATH variable:

```
PP1MW.pl
PostMfix.pm
MyMath.pm
Util.pm
Modify1MW2.pl
RunAll.pl
ProcessAll.pl
```

The user should create a run directory (i.e., \$RunDir=\$HOME/1MWRuns) and copy the following files to the run directory:

```
mfix.dat
mfix.mod
RunCase
UQ_351_design_32D_1MW.txt
```

For all Perl script files, the user must check and change the first line to the local Perl setting unless the file starts with

```
#!/usr/bin/env perl
```

Change this line accordingly to the user's Perl script bin directory

```
use lib "/pic/people/kevinlai/bin";
```

For the run script *RunCase*, the user must check and modify the following to conform to the local setting:

1. Linux/Unix bash setting
2. Module loading: make it consistent with the compiler choice
3. email address
4. location of mfix.exe
5. limit on the total run time of the job allocation
6. Command for a parallel run: currently it is "mpirun -np" but the user must check with his/her own Linux system setting.
7. If the number of processors is changed in the model file mfix.dat (i.e., NODESI \* NODESJ \* NODESK), make sure that the run script is modified to match the new value.
8. If mfix.exe is built serial, make sure NODESI= NODESJ=NODESK=1 in mfix.dat

After the modifications, run the script in \$RunDir:

```
./Modify1MW2.pl
```

This script does the following:

1. Create 351 sub-directories, Case001 to Case351
2. Copy mfix.mod to mfix.dat at each case sub-directory
3. Modify mfix.dat according to the parameter settings defined in *UQ\_351\_design\_32D\_1MW.txt*
4. Copy file *RunCase* to *RCasexxx* sub-directory (i.e., *RCase012*)

The user can go to each case sub-directory and run the batch script *RCasexxx*. Alternatively, the user can run all simulations by

*./RunAll.pl*

## 2.2.POST-PROCESSING

The user can choose any post-processing tool to analyze the simulation result, e.g., the official MFIX post-mfix script or the open-source ParaView software.

Alternatively, a Perl script PP1MW.pl provided in this product can be used to automated the post-processing. Go to the simulation directory, e.g., *Case012* and run *PP1MW.pl -o result\_file*

The data in the result file should be self-explanatory. It prints all the QOIs (quantity of interest) for the 1MW system simulations.

## 3. REFERENCES

[1] MFIX – Multiphase Flow with Interphase eXchanges, Version MFIX-2014-1. Download available for members: <https://mfix.netl.doe.gov/mfix/download-mfix>