

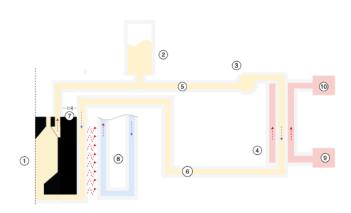
gFHR Project Updates

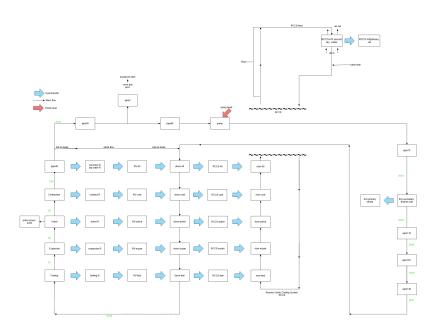
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gFHR model description

- In this SAM model, the core is divided into four regions axially from the bottom: fueling, expansion, active and contraction region
- The reflector, reactor vessel and the downcomer are also divided axially the same way but with additional region to include the first part of the hot-leg (pipe40)
- This model has two heat exchangers: intermediate heat exchanger (IHX) and the reactor cavity cooling system heat exchanger





gFHR graph

- This graph includes the reactivity cavity cooling system which is a passive safety system that removes the decay heat.
- The graph shows the connections between the components. B represents the branches connecting fluid components.
- The expansion tank (number 2 from the first figure) has a pool and cover gas region. These two regions outputs are : pool level, volume, pressure, rho, temperature and velocity and cover gas pressure.
- The simulation outputs for each component are listed in the next few slides. However, some of the RCCS heat exchangers's outputs are not included as well as the reactivity related outputs.

Important simulation outputs

	Output	Description
Primary Loop	HX_energy	Heat removal rate by IHX
	pressure_outlet	Expansion tank pressure (pipe2)
	secondary-flow	Nitrate flow out
	IHX-in	Secondary side (fluoride salt) inlet temperature
	IHX-out	Secondary side (fluoride salt) outlet temperature
Core	core_in_T	Core inlet temperature (fueling outlet temp.)
	core_out_T	Core outlet temperature (pipe40 outlet temp.)
	core_in_V	Core inlet velocity (fueling outlet velocity)
	core_out_v	Core outlet velocity (pipe40 outlet velocity)
	core_in_P	Core inlet pressure (fueling outlet pressure)
	core_out_p	Core outlet pressure (pipe40 outlet pressure)
	core_energy	Energy balance between fueling(in) and
		contraction(out) core regions (components)
	core_flow	Flow entering the fueling region of the core
	DeltaP	Pressure difference in the core
	MaxFuel	Maximum fuel temperature (in the second layer of
		the pebble)

Components and outputs

Component	Name in SAM	Description	Outputs	Output in csv
Core	Output based on the fueling, contraction regions of the core and on pipe-40(hot leg)		Core inlet temp core inlet velocity core outlet temp core outlet velocity core flow core inlet and outlet pressure core energy pressure difference maximum fuel temp.	core_in_T core_in_V core_out_T core_out_v Core_flow core_in_p core_out_p Core_energy DeltaP MaxFuel
Reactor	reactor		Power and decay heat	reactor:power reactor:decay_heat
Fueling	fueling	First region from the bottom of the core	Avg pressure avg temp avg solid core/fuel temp. avg velocity	fueling-CPbar fueling- CTbar fueling-CTsolidbar fueling-CVbar
Expansion	expansion	Second region from the bottom of the core	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure avg solid core/fuel temp	expansion-CVbar expansion-CTbar expansion-CPbar expansion-CTsolidbar
Active	active	Third region from the bottom of the core	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure avg solid core/fuel temp	active-CVbar active- CTbar active-CPbar active-CTsolidbar
Contraction	contraction	Fourth region from the bottom of the core	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure avg solid core/fuel temp	contraction-CVbar contraction-CVbar contraction-CPbar contraction-CTsolidbar

Component	Name in SAM	Description	Outputs	Output in csv
Pipe-40	pipe040	Hot leg- first part connecting with the core	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe040-Vbar pipe040- Tbar pipe040-Pbar
Pipe-50	pipe050	Hot leg – between pipe40 and expansion tank	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe050-Vbar pipe050- Tbar pipe050-Pbar
Pipe-060	pipe060	Hot leg- between expansion tank and the pump	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe060-Vbar pipe060- Tbar pipe060-Pbar
Pipe-2	pipe2	Pipe from hot leg to expansion tank	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe2-Vbar pipe2-Tbar pipe2-Pbar
Pipe-070	pipe070	Pipe between pump and IHX	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe070-Vbar pipe070- Tbar pipe070-Pbar
Pipe-110	pipe110	Cold leg -pipe between pipe70 and pipe 120	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe110-Vbar pipe110- Tbar pipe110-Pbar
Pipe-120	pipe120	Cold leg -pipe between pipe 110 and pipe 130	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe120-Vbar pipe120- Tbar pipe120-Pbar
Pipe-130	pipe130	Cold leg connected with the core - downcomer	Avg velocity avg temp avg pressure	pipe130-Vbar pipe130- Tbar pipe130-Pbar

Component	Name in SAM	Description	Outputs	Output in csv
fueling-R	fueling-R	Reflector axial	Reflector temperature	fueling-R-HSbar
expansion-R	expansion-R	regions based	Reflector temperature	expansion-R-HSbar
active-R	active-R	on the core 4	Reflector temperature	active-R-HSbar
contract-R	contract-R	regions	Reflector temperature	contract-R-HSbar
Flow diode	flow_diode	Flow from the hot leg to the cold leg	Diode flow	diode-flow
Hot to diode	hot_to_diode	Connecting the hot leg with the check valve	Flow average velocity, temperature, and pressure	hot_to_diode-Vbar hot_to_diode-Tbar hot_to_diode-Pbar
Cold to diode	cold_to_diode	Connecting the cold leg with the check valve	Flow average velocity, temperature, and pressure	cold_to_diode-Vbar cold_to_diode-Tbar cold_to_diode-Pbar
Down-40	down-40	downcomer consists of 5 axial regions,	Flow average velocity, temperature, and pressure	down-40-Vbar down-40-Tbar down-40-Pbar
Down-cont	down-cont	the same 4 core regions and a region	Flow average velocity, temperature, and pressure	down-cont-Vbar down-cont-Tbar down-cont-Pbar
Down-active	down-active	on the same level with pipe40	Flow average velocity, temperature, and pressure	down-active-Vbar down-active-Tbar down-active-Pbar
Down-expan	down-expan		Flow average velocity, temperature, and pressure	down-expan-Vbar down-expan-Tbar down-expan-Pbar
Down-fuel	down-fuel		Flow average velocity, temperature, and pressure	down-fuel-Vbar down-fuel-Tbar down-fuel-Pbar

Component	Name in SAM	Description	Outputs	Output in csv
RV-40	RV-40	Reactor vessel	RV average	RV-40-HSbar
		consists of 5	temperature	
RV-cont	RV-cont	axial regions,	RV average	RV-cont-HSbar
		the same 4	temperature	
RV-active	RV-active	core regions	RV average	RV-active-HSbar
		and a region	temperature	
RV-expan	RV-expan	on the same	RV average	RV-expan-HSbar
		level with	temperature	
RV-fuel	RV-fuel	pipe40	RV average	RV-fuel-HSbar
			temperature	
Output based	on the 5 reactor	vessel	Energy balance,	RV-EnergyBalance
components			conduction heat	RV-surface
			removal by the RV RV	
			surface temperature	
Riser	riser	Riser 6 axial	Avg velocity,	riser-Vbar riser-Tbar
		regions from	temperature, and	riser-Pbar
Riser-40	riser-40	the top to the	pressure	riser-40-Vbar riser-40-
		bottom		Tbar riser-40-Pbar
Riser-cont	riser-cont			riser-cont-Vbar riser-
				cont-Tbar riser-cont-
		1		Pbar
Riser-active	riser-active			riser-active-Vbar riser-
				active-Tbar riser-active-
		1		Pbar
Riser-expan	riser-expan			riser-expan-Vbar riser-
				expan-Tbar riser-expan-
		1		Pbar
Riser-fuel	riser-fuel			riser-fuel-Vbar riser-fuel-
				Tbarl riser-fuel-Pbar

Component	Name in SAM	Description	Outputs	Output in csv
RCCS-40	RCCS-40	RCCS consists	RCCS wall average	RCCS-40-HSbar
		of 5 axial	temperature	
RCCS-cont	RCCS-cont	regions, the	RCCS wall average	RCCS-cont-HSbar
		same 4 core	temperature	
RCCS-active	RCCS-active	regions and a	RCCS wall average	RCCS-active-HSbar
		region on the	temperature	
RCCS-expan	RCCS-expan	same level	RCCS wall average	RCCS-expan-HSbar
		with pipe40	temperature	
RCCS-fuel	RCCS-fuel	1	RCCS wall average	RCCS-fuel-HSbar
			temperature	
RCCS	Outputs based	on the 4 riser	Energy balance	RCCS-EnergyBalance
	regions		between riser-fuel and	RCCS-InletTemp RCCS-
			riser-40 The	OutletTemp
			temperature entering	
			from riser-fuel The	
			temperature leaving	
			riser-40	
Pump	Pump		Pressure, pump head,	Pump:pressure
			rho , temperature,	Pump:pump_head
			velocity	Pump:rho
				Pump:temperature
				Pump:velocity
IHX	HX	Intermediate	Energy removed by	HX_energy secondary-
		heat	heat exchanger The	flow IHX-in IHX-out
		exchanger	mass flow rate for the	
			primary side(nitrate)	
			Secondary side	
			(fluoride salt) inlet	
			temperature	
			Secondary side	
			(fluoride salt) outlet	
			temperature	

Component	Name in SAM	Description	Outputs	Output in csv
B1	Branch1	These branches connect fluid components. The position for each	Pressure, density, temperature and velocity of the flow	Branch1:pressure Branch1:rho Branch1:temperature Branch1:velocity
B2	Branch2	of these		Branch(#):pressure
B3	Branch3	branches are on		Branch(#):rho
B30	Branch030	the gFHR graph		Branch(#):temperature
B260	Branch260			Branch(#):velocity
B501	Branch501			
B601	Branch601			
B604	Branch604			
B605	Branch605			
B606	Branch606			
B607	Branch607			
B280	Branch280			

■ Three more post-processors were added to the code in order to get the maximum fuel surface temperature, inlet and outlet temperature of the primary side (nitrate) intermediate heat exchanger.

Output	Description
IHXPN-in	IHX primary side (Nitrate) inlet temperature
IHXPN-out	IHX primary side (Nitrate) outlet temperature
MaxSurface	Maximum fuel surface temperature

■ Simplified gFHR graph was created by removing the RCCS and some of the pipes.

Simplified gFHR graph without RCCS

