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gCCS – whole-chain CCS system modelling

Enabling technology to accelerate commercialisation and manage technology risk

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Overview



- CCS System Modelling Tool-kit project
 - Motivation
 - Aim
- gCCS overview
 - Model libraries
 - Physical properties
 - Interfaces

Summary





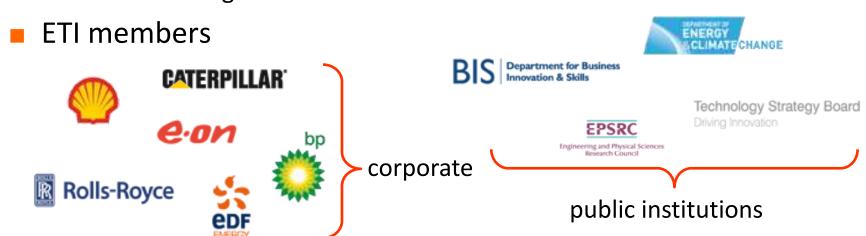
Motivation for systems modelling for CCS



Energy Technologies Institute (ETI)



- Public-private partnership between global industries and the UK Government set up with the objectives of
- energy technologies institute
- ensuring clean, secure and affordable energy supplies are available to power everyday living and business
- reducing greenhouse gas emissions to tackle the effects of climate change

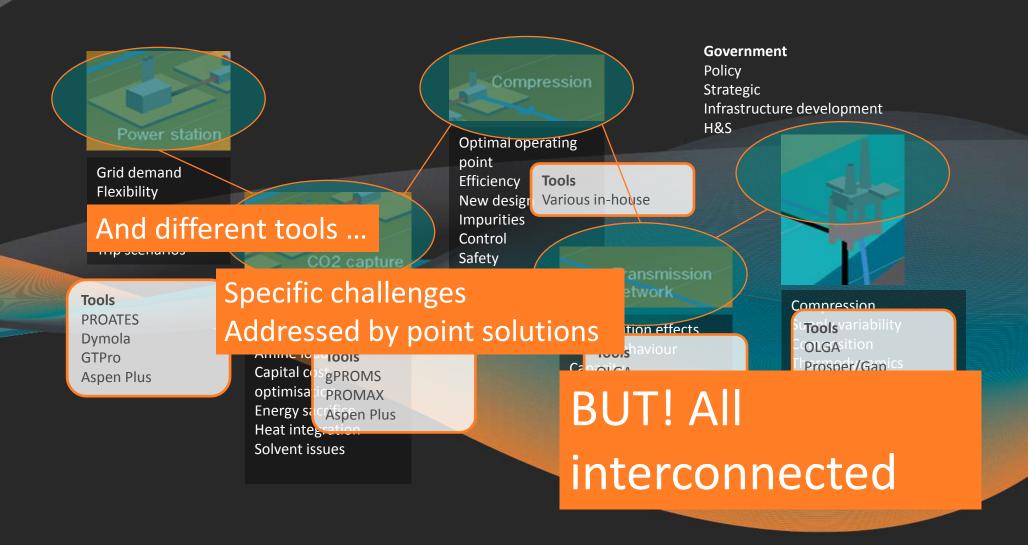


The ETI is not a grant-giving body, but makes targeted investments in key technologies that will help the UK meet its' legally binding 2050 targets



CCS challenges

Each stakeholder has different issues & challenges



An ETI-member survery revealed ...



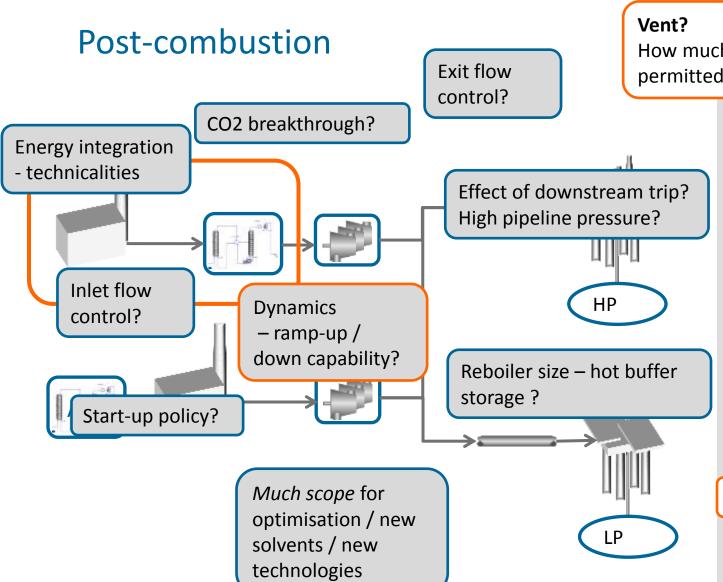
System-wide modelling seen as a key technology for addressing these questions and investigating whole-chain or partial-chain interaction

... by providing accurate quantification for decision support



Challenges – single site





How much? How long permitted? What is policy?

Rich amine storage – how much, when,

where? Temperature?

Energy integration (energy penalty vs

operability vs CAPEX)

Performance of different capture technologies – amine vs caustic vs?

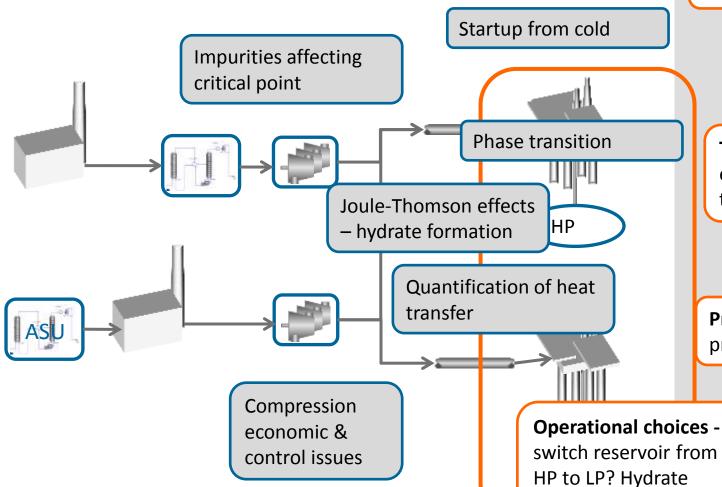
By-pass economics

Start-up sequence – economic optimisation

Many questions







Phase considerations? Hydrate formation

HP v LP development economics

Trip scenarios – economic effects and trade-offs

Performance optimisation

Pre-injection heating vs line pressurisation?

Minimum & maximum rates

Safety

formation?

System-wide modelling key enabling technology for CCS: benefits



- Explore complex decision space rapidly based on high-fidelity, technically realistic models
 - resolve own technical and economic issues
 - take into account upstream & downstream behaviour
- Manage interaction and trade-offs
- Evaluate technology existing and next-generation
 - judge relative merits of emerging technologies
 - support consistent, future-proof choices
- Integrating platform for
 - working with other stakeholders in chain
 - collaborative R&D, working with academia
- Manage complexity and risk at a multi-scale, network-wide level



CCS system modelling tool-kit project



System-wide modelling: Key enabling technology for CCS

CCS System Modelling Tool-kit Project

- Energy Technologies Institute (ETI)
 £3m project
- E.ON, EDF, Rolls-Royce,Petrofac/CO2DeepStore, PSE, E4tech

→ Create a commercially available product

- built on PSE's gPROMS platform
- High-fidelity system-wide CCS modelling
- Toolbox and ecosystem

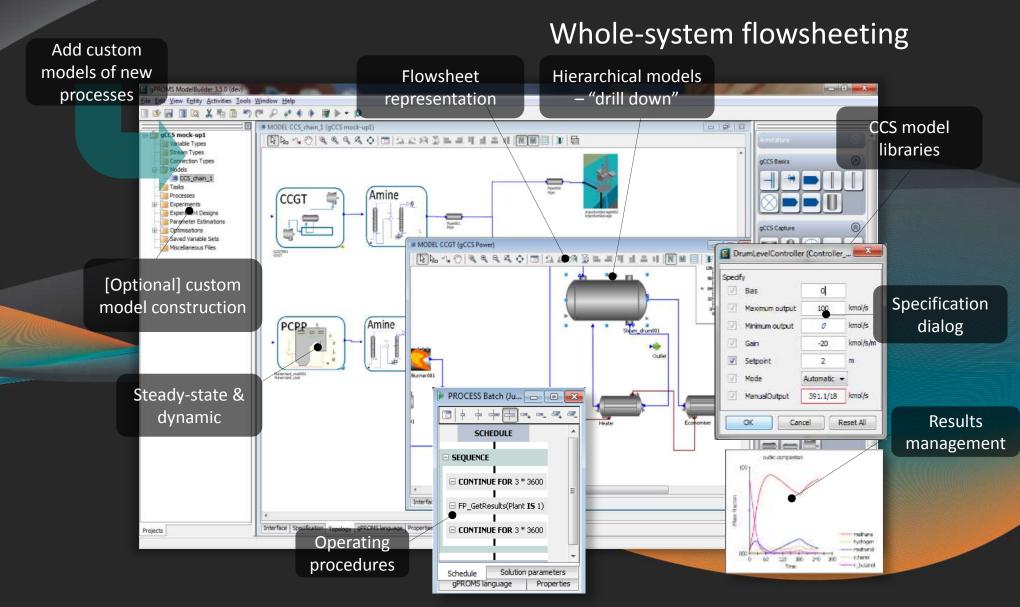






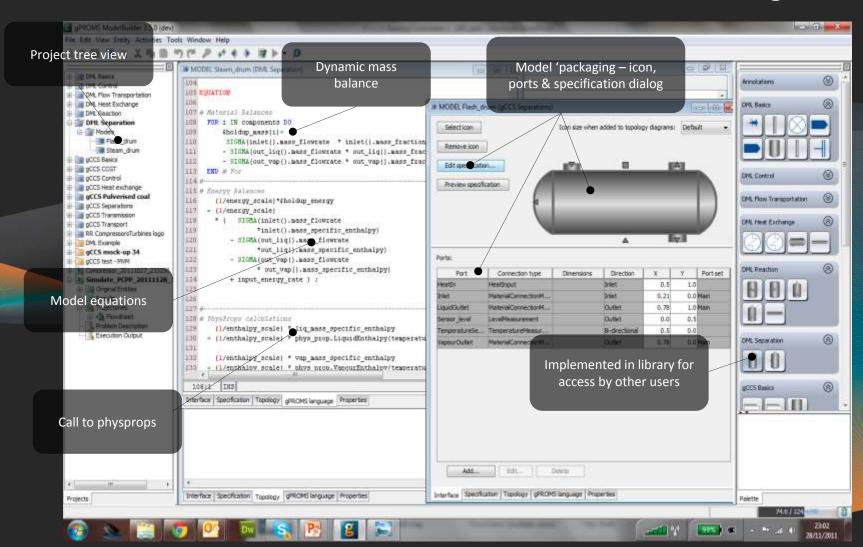


Environment – custom & system-wide modelling



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Powerful custom modelling



Model libraries

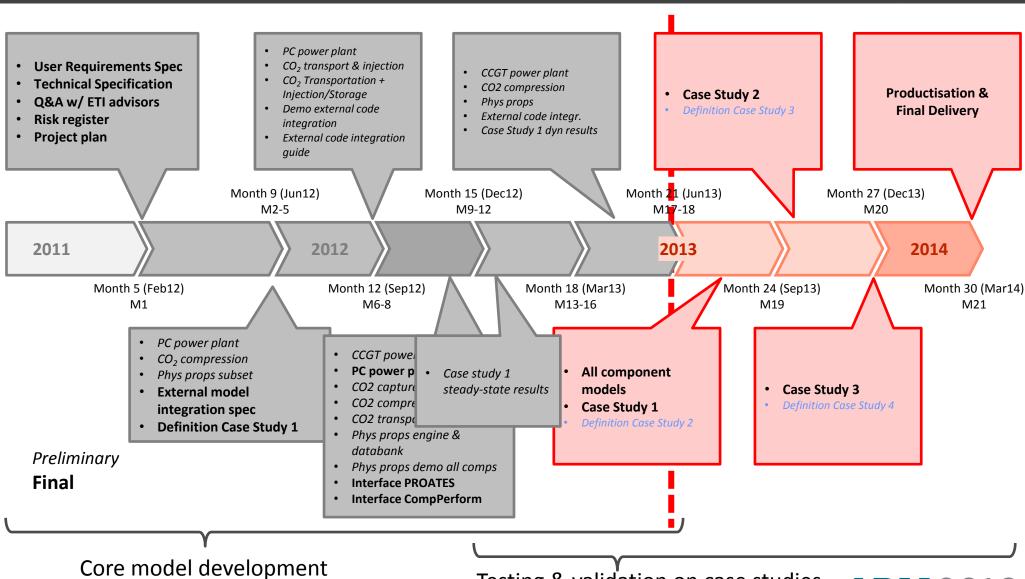


Model libraries

- Power generation
- Solvent-based CO₂ capture
- Compression & Liquefaction
- Transportation
- Injection in sub-sea storage
- Physical properties
 - Tailored to each sub-system in the CCS chain
- Interfaces to 3rd party modelling packages
- Detailed documentation of all tool-kit components

Timelines





Testing & validation on case studies + productisation

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Tool-kit components / functionality

Model libraries
Physical properties
Interfaces



Model libraries – Overview

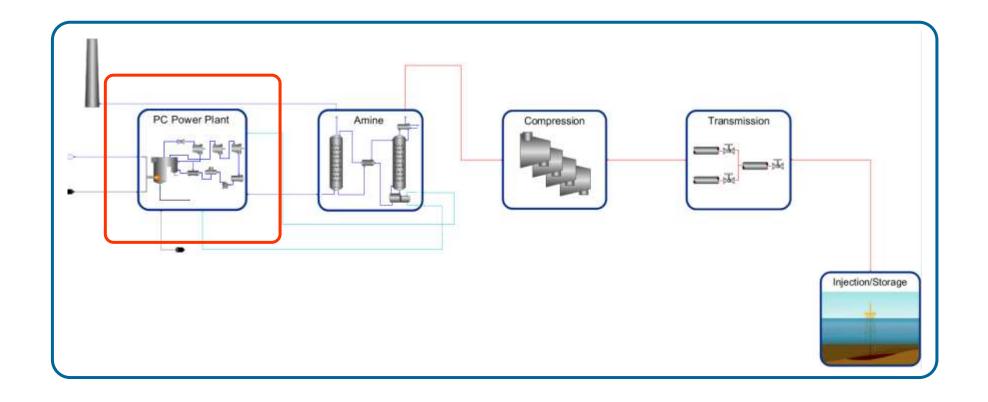


- Power generation
 - Conventional (coal-fired, CCGT) and non-conventional (oxy-fuel, IGCC)
- Solvent-based CO₂ capture
 - both chemical and physical processes
- Compression & Liquefaction
 - multi-stage, multi-section compressors, surge control valves, drives, etc.
- Transportation
 - on- and off-shore pipelines
- Injection in sub-sea storage
 - distribution headers, well connections, reservoir, etc.



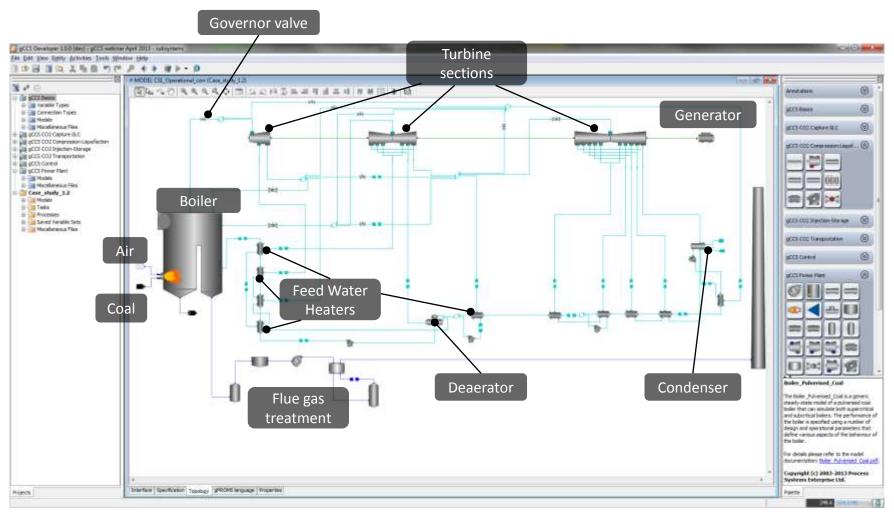
Power generation





Model libraries – Power plant



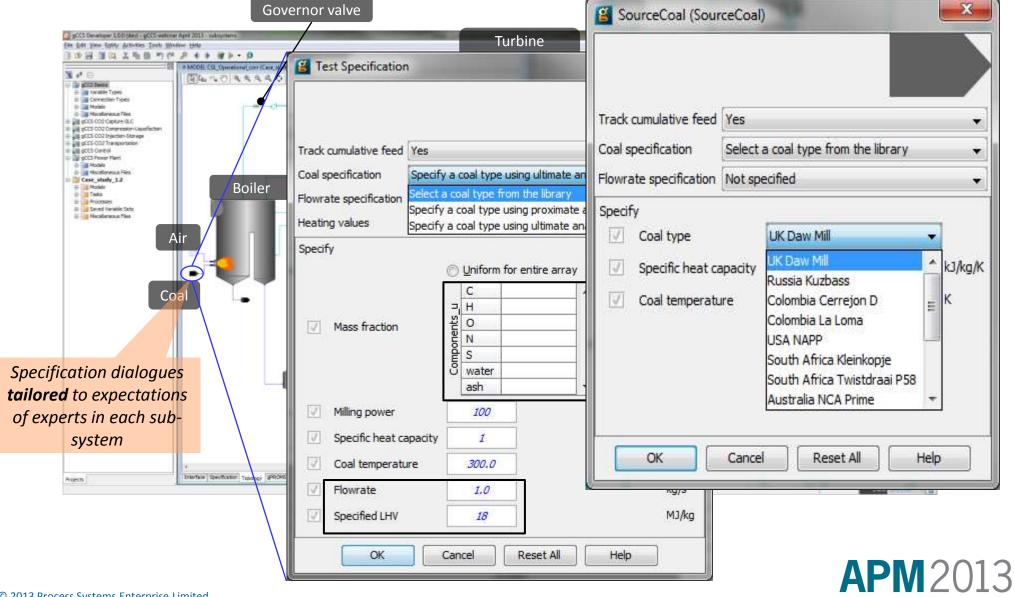


Complex flowsheet with > 10 recycles & a closed loop:

→ Component-specific initialisation procedures ensure convergence without SVS

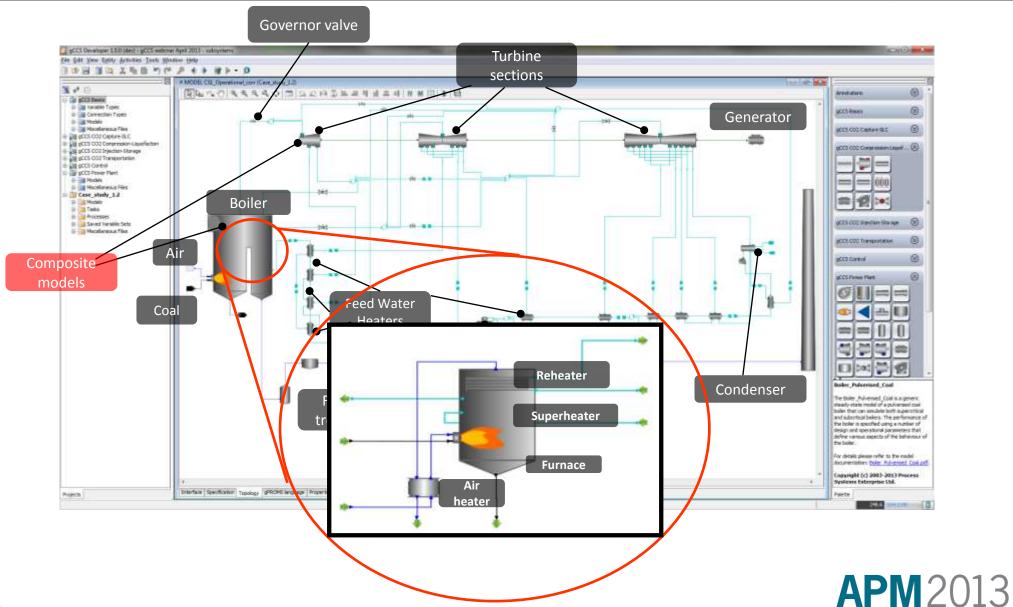
Model libraries – Power plant





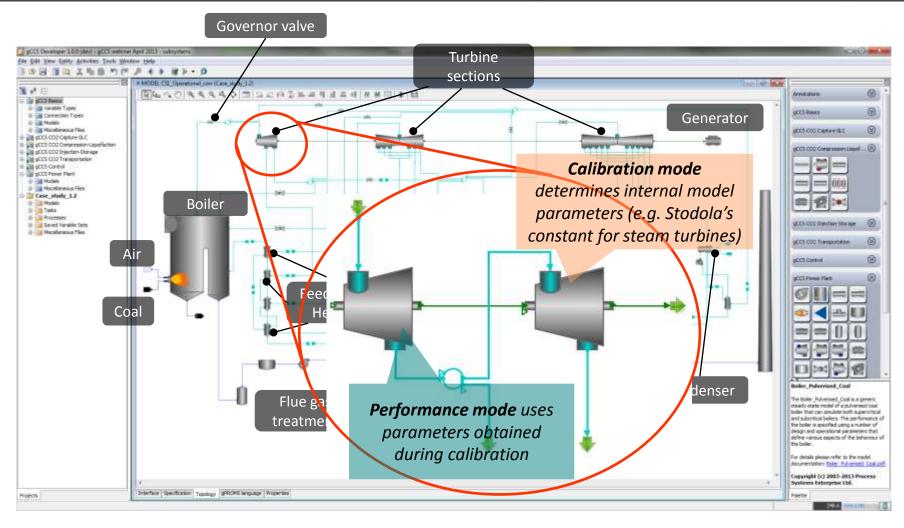
PCPP library overview: Whole PCPP





Model libraries – Power plant

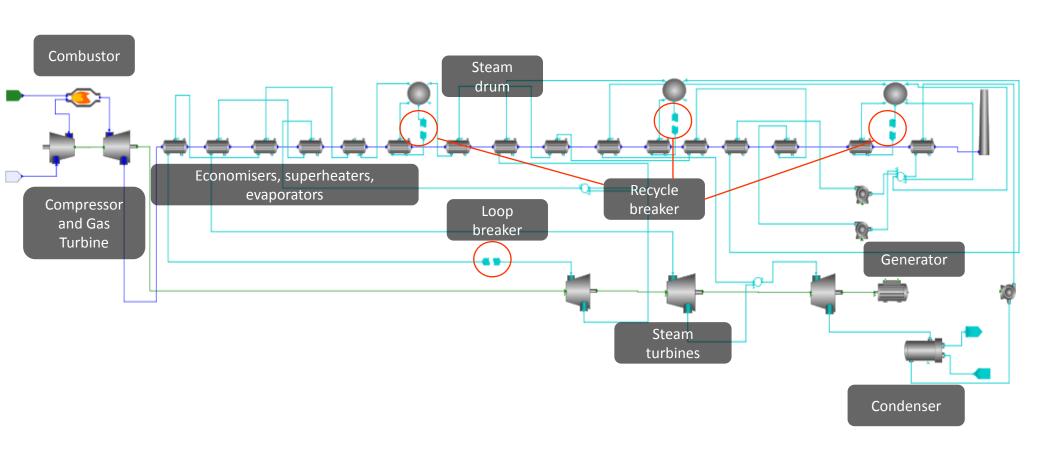




Model libraries – Power plant



Combined Cycle Gas Turbine flowsheet



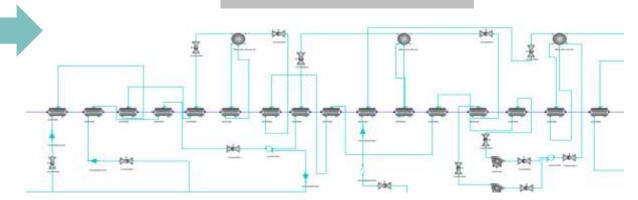


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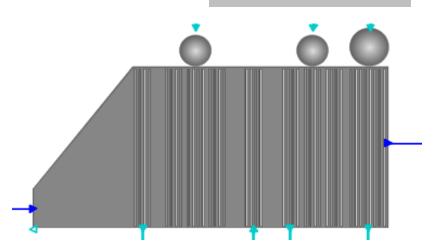


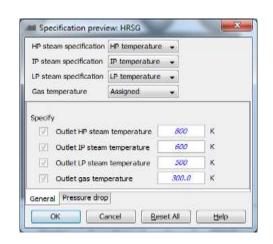
- High fidelity model of HRSG
 - comprising multiple units
 - predictive at part-load
- High level (low fidelity) model
 - Single unit model
 - Not predictive at part-load (temperatures are inputs)

Detailed HRSG model



High level model





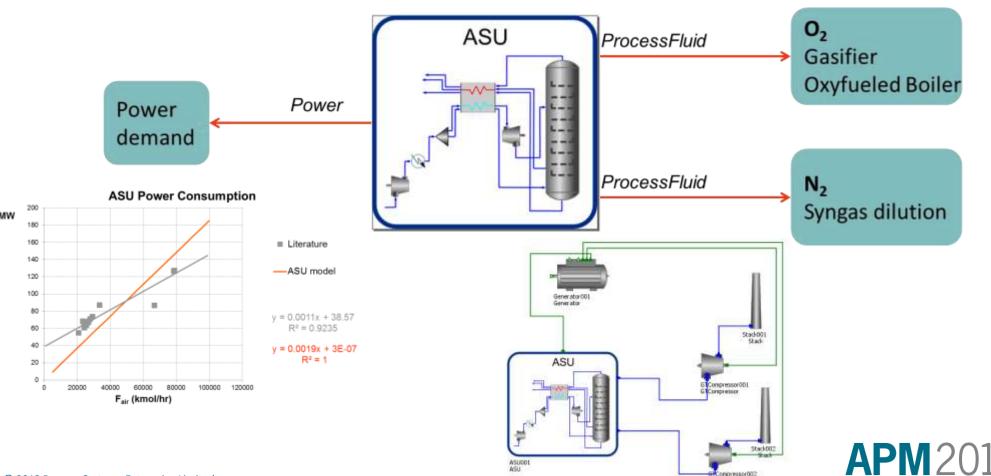
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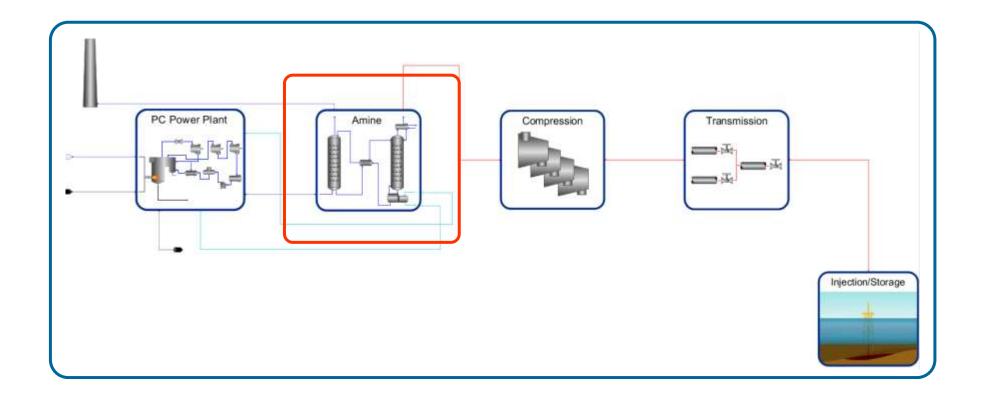
- Different level of fidelity for systems modelling
 - High-level Air Separation Unit

Model acts as Source of O₂ and N₂ and calculates power demand



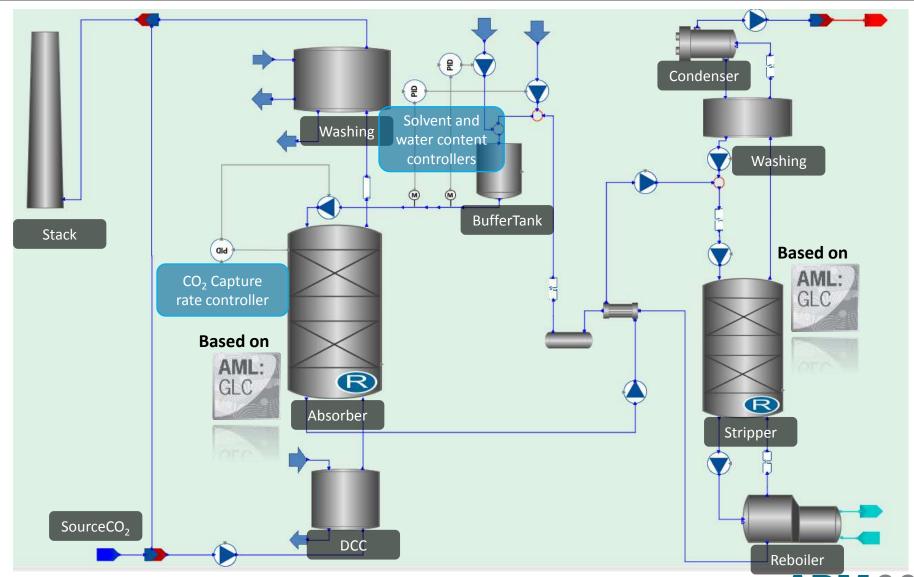
Power generation





Model libraries – CO₂ Capture (chemical and physical absorption)



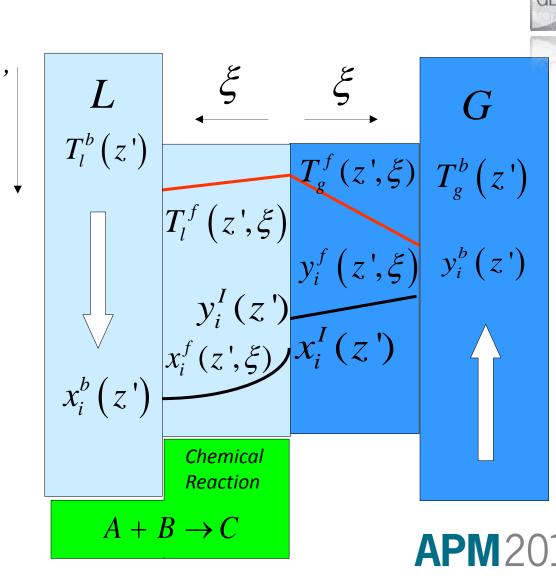


Model libraries – CO₂ Capture



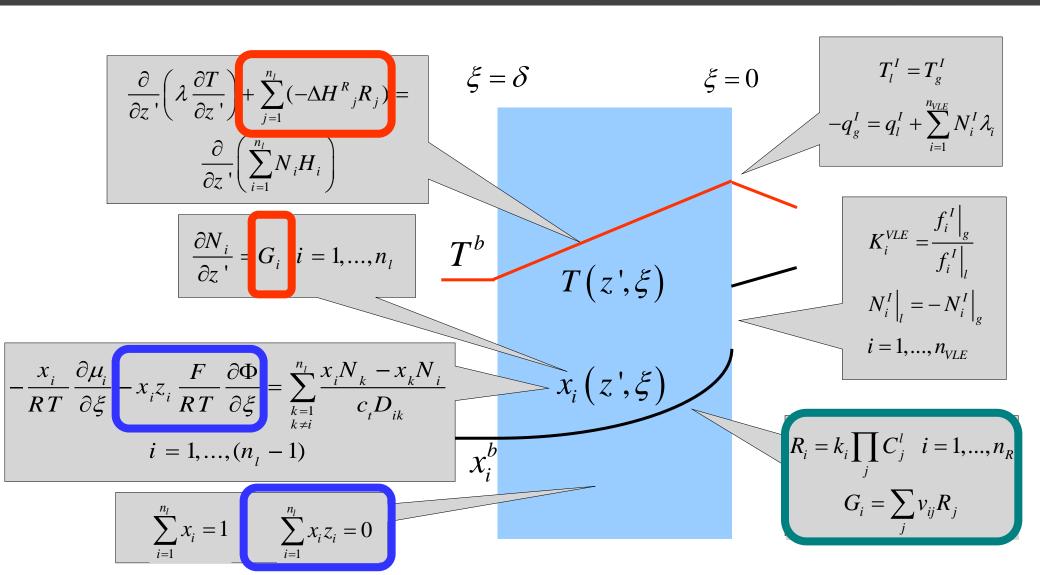
AML:

- Non-equilibrium models
- Models distributed in axial direction and in the direction of the liquid and vapour films
- Energy balance and V/L equilibrium at the interface
- Phase behaviour and chemical equilibrium <u>currently</u> calculated by OLI thermodynamic package
 - to be replaced by gSAFT
- Transport properties
 - Obtained from correlations and Multiflash





Model libraries – CO₂ Capture: Modelling of ionic reactions in gas/liquid separation



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Model libraries – CO₂ Capture

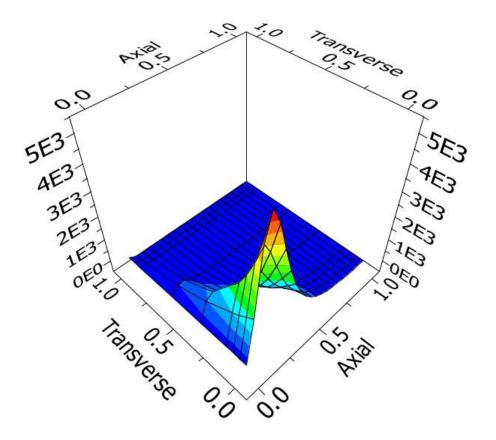


$$H_2O \Leftrightarrow H(+) + OH(-)$$

 $HCO_3(-) + OH(-) \Leftrightarrow CO_3(-) + H2O$
 $CO_2 + OH(-) \Leftrightarrow HCO_3(-)$
 $CO_2 + MEXH \Leftrightarrow MEXCO_2(-) + H(+)$
 $MEXH + H2O \Leftrightarrow MEXH_2(+) + OH(-)$

Transversal and axial profiles for the reaction rate of carbamate formation

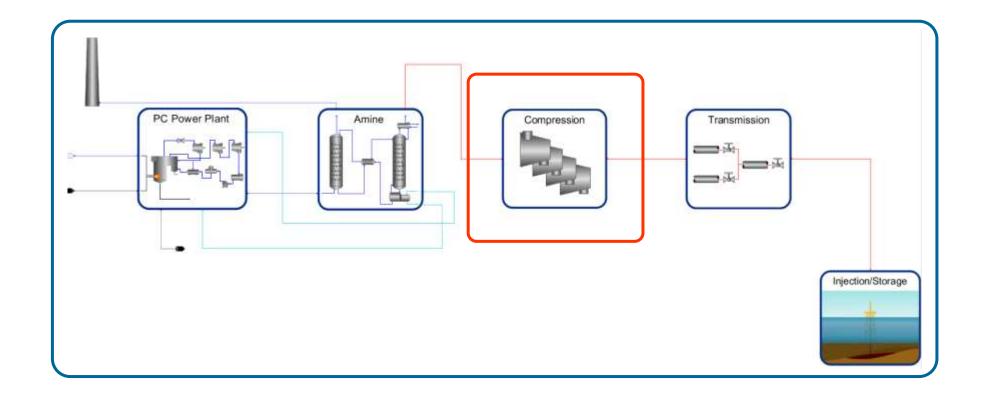
Carbamate formation, kinetically controlled reaction





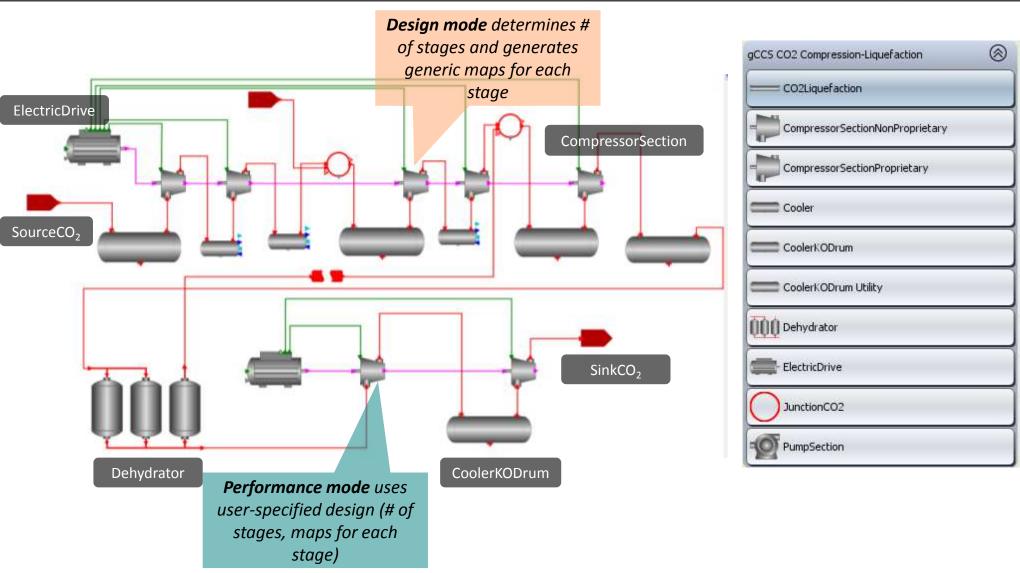
Compression





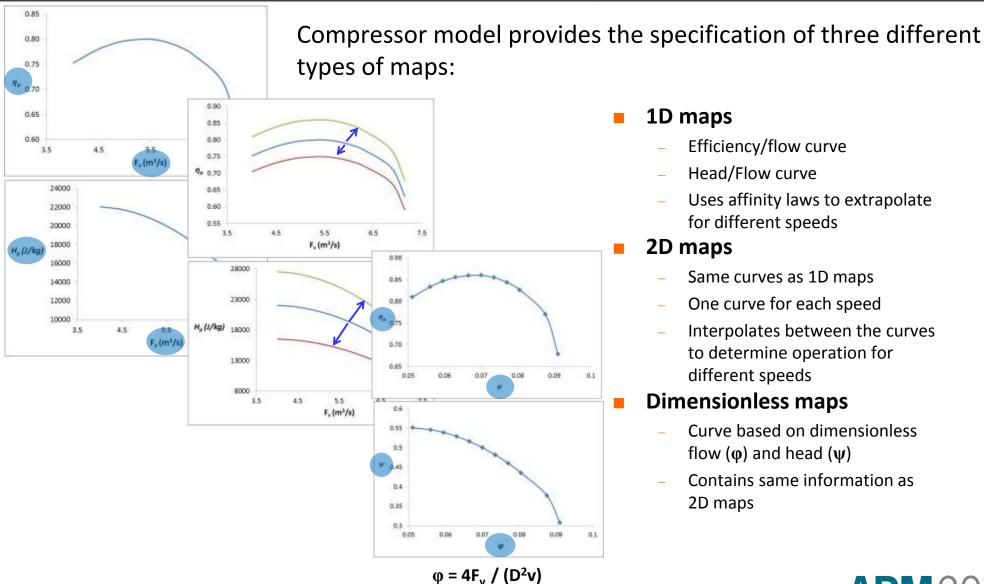
Model libraries – CO₂ Compression & Liquefaction





Model libraries – CO₂ Compression & Liquefaction





 $\psi = H_p / v^2$

1D maps

- Efficiency/flow curve
- Head/Flow curve
- Uses affinity laws to extrapolate for different speeds

2D maps

- Same curves as 1D maps
- One curve for each speed
- Interpolates between the curves to determine operation for different speeds

Dimensionless maps

- Curve based on dimensionless flow (ϕ) and head (ψ)
- Contains same information as 2D maps

Model libraries – CO₂ Compression & Liquefaction



- Operational studies control: Surge avoidance
 - Increase volumetric flowrate in the compressor
 - Recycle compressed flow to the inlet through a recycle loop

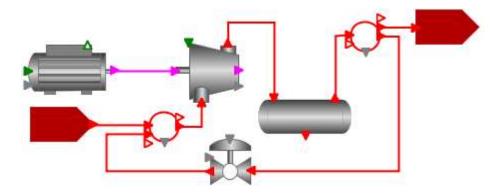


Fig. 4 – Cooled recycle loop used in surge control.

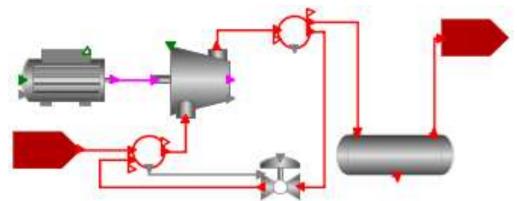
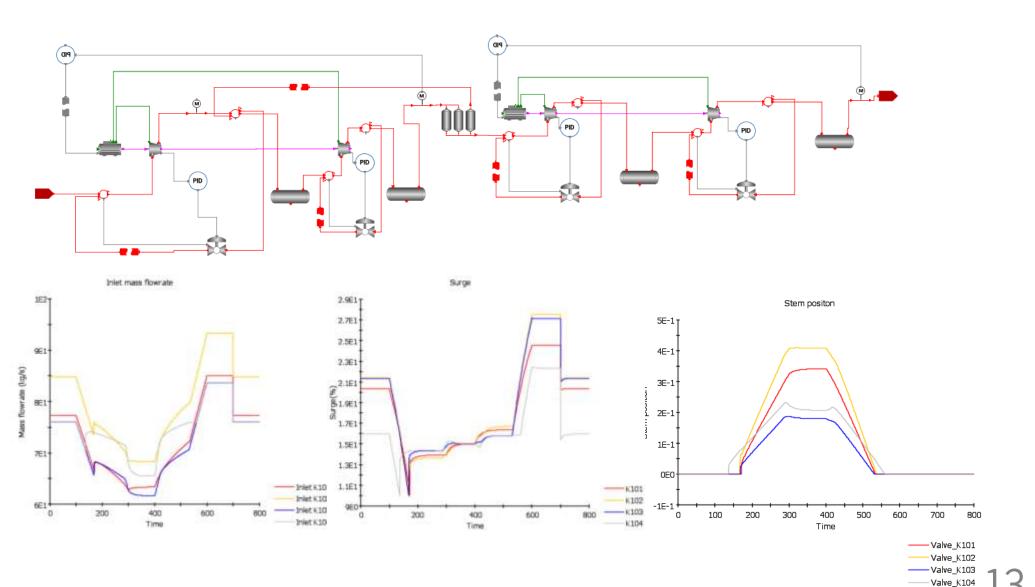


Fig. 5 – Non-cooled recycle loop used in surge control.



Model libraries – CO₂ Compression & Liquefaction



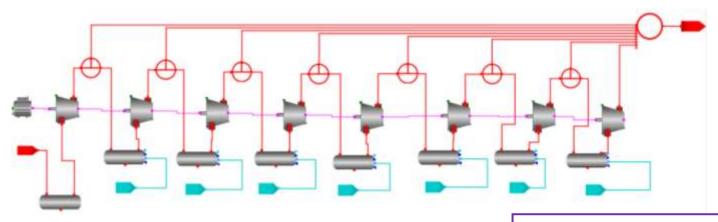


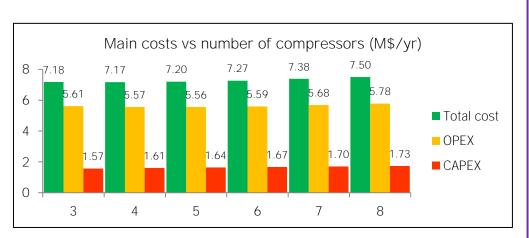
Tool-kit components – Advanced features

Model libraries – CO₂ Compression & Liquefaction



Compression train - design optimisation





- Detailed CO₂ Compression library models

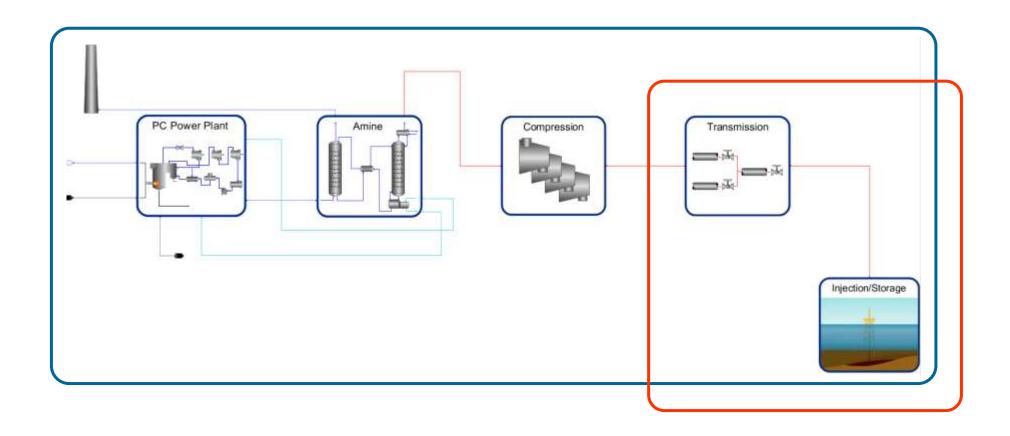
 +
 gPROMS mixed integer/continuous optimisation
 → full compression train design optimisation
 - Techno-economical design to minimise total cost
 CAPEX + OPEX
 - Determine
 - 1. number of compressors & coolers
 - design parameters (impeller diameters; HT areas)

that are optimal for a set of operating scenarios (different CO₂ flows and final discharge pressures)



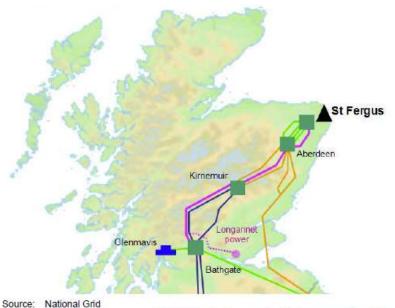
Transmission & injection

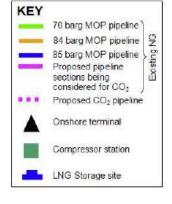


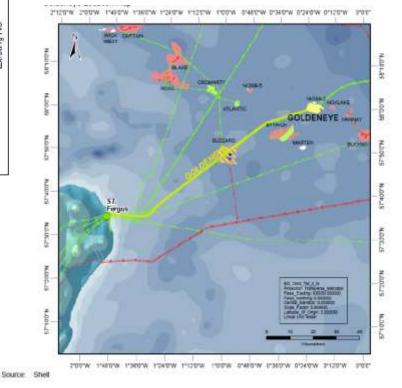


Transmission and injection sub-system Components of the CCS chain









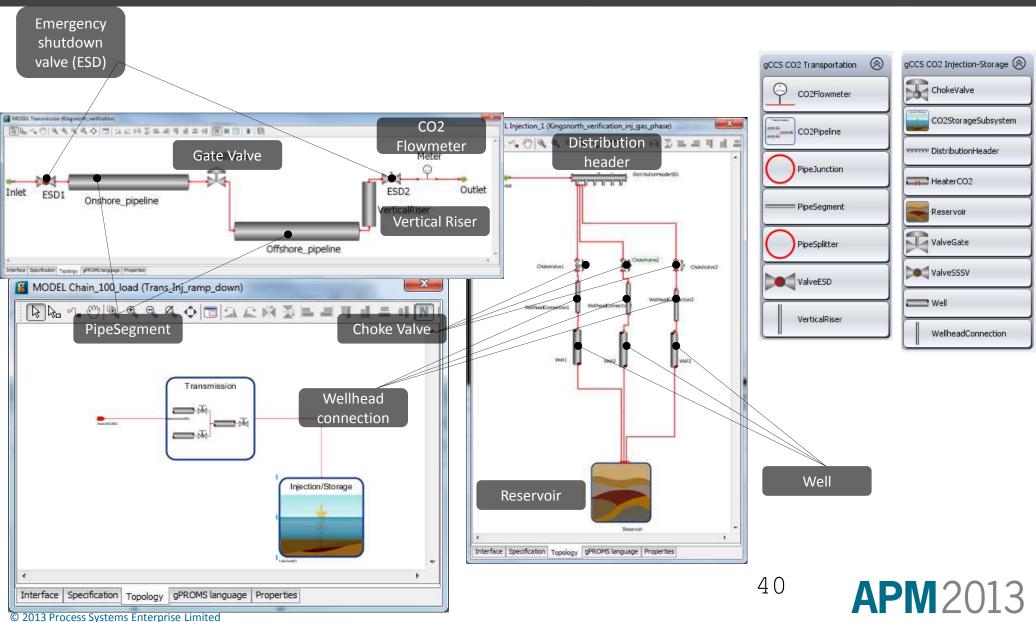






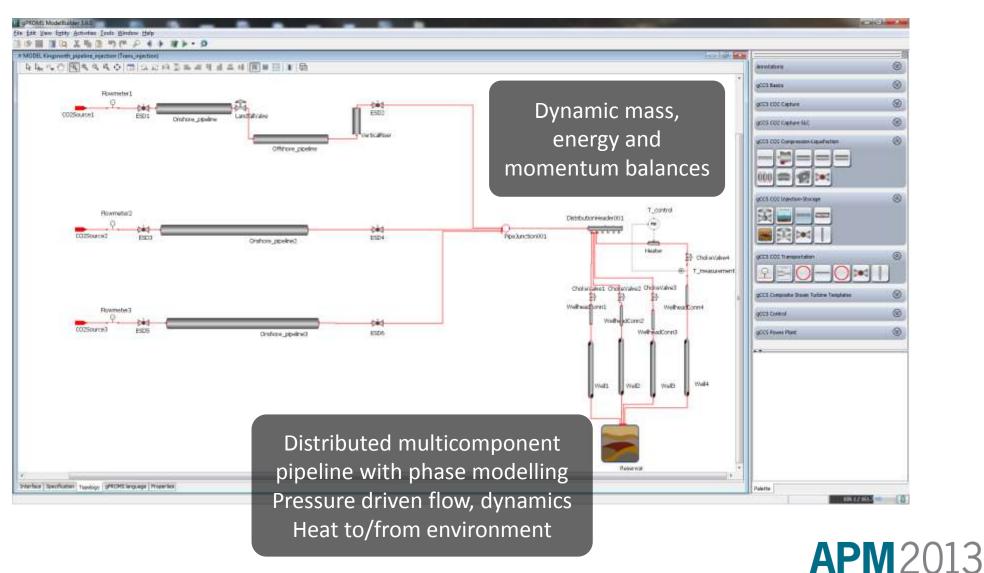
Transmission and Injection – Component models





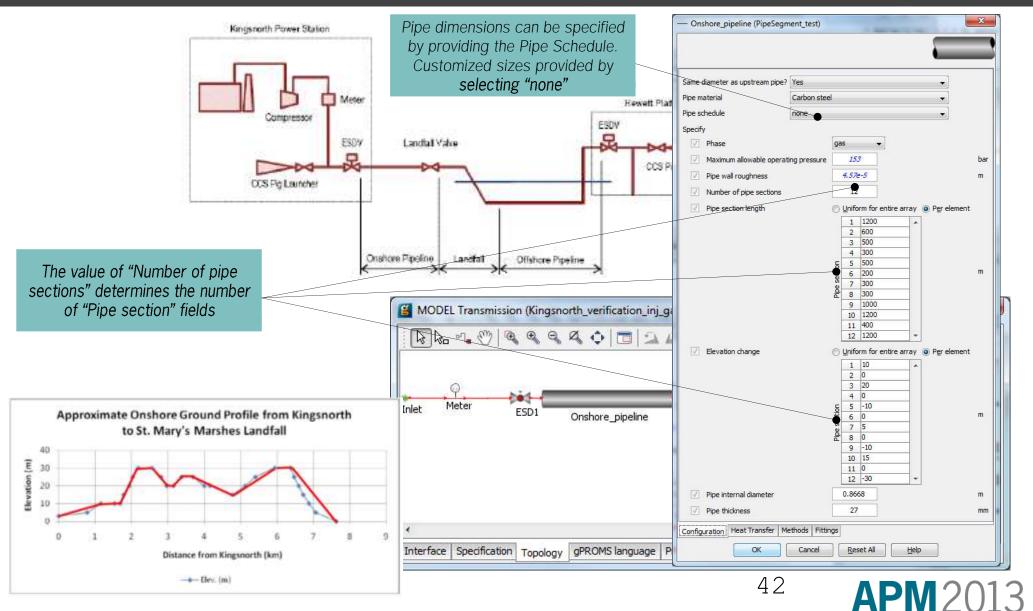
Transmission & injection flowsheet





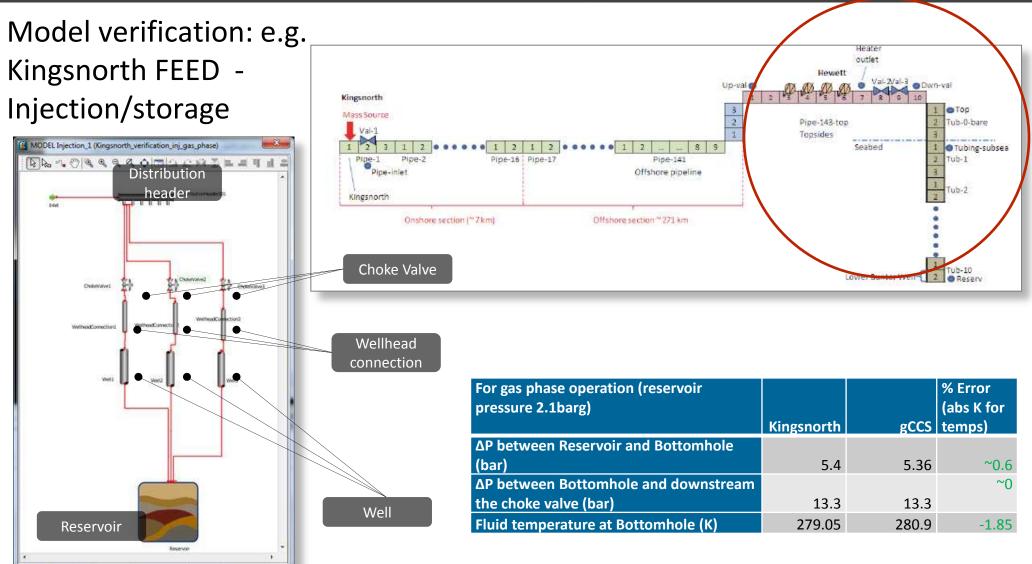
Transmission System – Example: Kingsnorth FEED Onshore Pipeline





Model libraries – CO₂ Transmission and Injection/Storage





Interface Specification Topology gPROMS language Properties





System dynamics

Simulating line-packing operation: Sudden valve closure



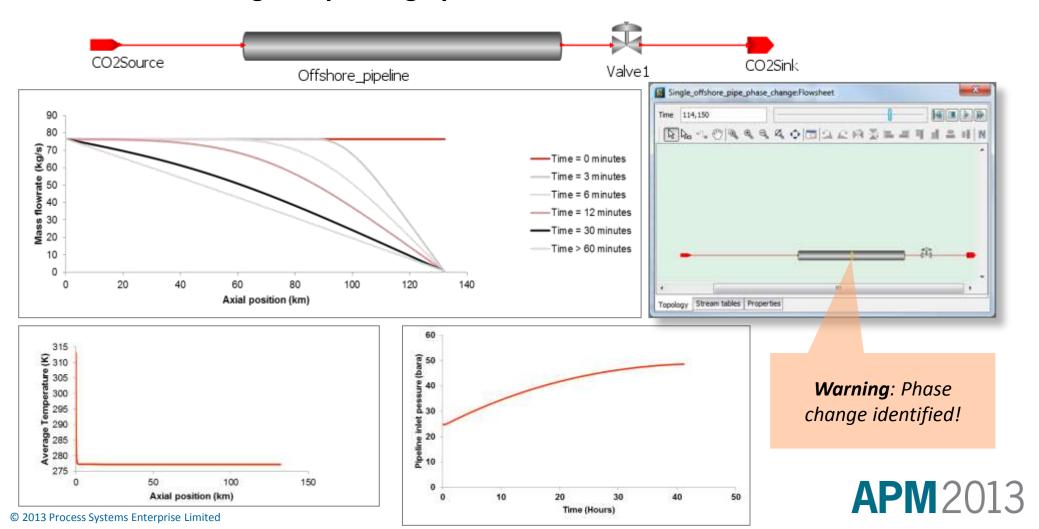
- Assumed constant inlet flowrate at CO2Source (275tonnes CO₂ per day)
- Gas phase injection with discharge pressure in CO2 sink
 21bara
- Total pipeline length 132.2km
- Pipeline is located offshore (in water)

Model libraries – CO₂ Transmission and Injection/Storage



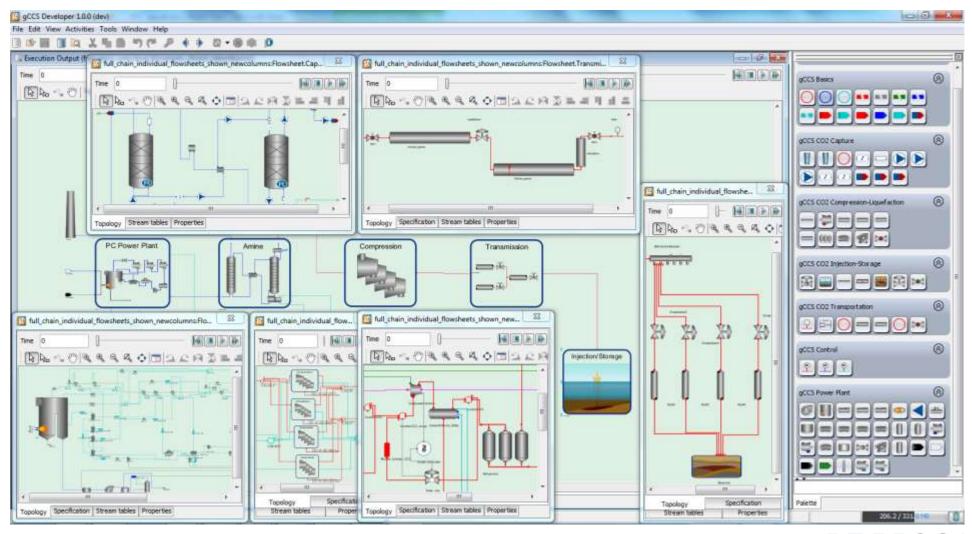
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Whole-chain simulation





Physical properties



- Different material/species within the same sub-system
 - e.g. in power plant: coal, water, flue gas
- Different materials/species in different sub-systems
 - e.g. MEA in CO₂ capture plant
- Need different thermodynamic models for different materials, e.g.
 - cubic EoS (PR 78) for flue gas in power plant
 - Corresponding States (Steam Tables) for pure water

gPROMS Properties (Multiflash®)

- SAFT for amine-containing streams in CO₂ capture
- SAFT for near-pure post-capture CO₂ streams



- Transport properties obtained from gPROMS Properties
 - models/ correlations



Physical properties for compression/transmission in CCS

Challenges



Impurities

Wide range of conditions

Limited experimental data

A <u>predictive</u> equation of state is required



- applied to mixtures of CO₂, CO, H₂O, Ar.....
- small molecules → single group each

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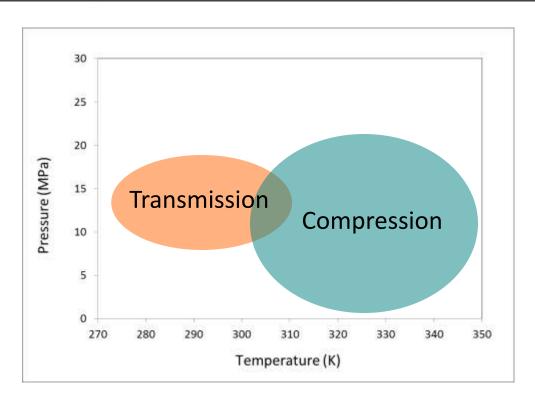
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Challenges II: Wide range of conditions



Compression subsystem

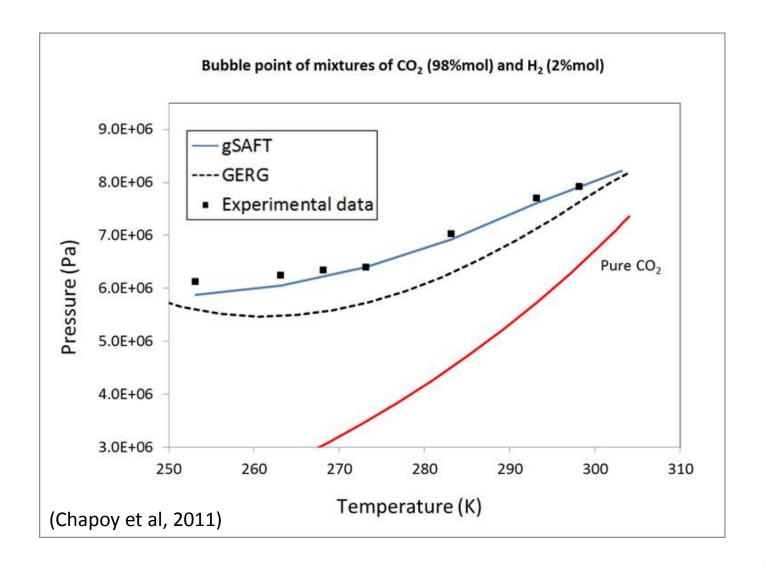
- Pressures
 - Inlet 0.5 to 5 bara
 - Outlet 10 to 200 bara
- Temperatures
 - Inlet 20-41 °C
 - Outlet 40-130 °C
- Transmission subsystem
 - Pressures
 - 50-200 bara
 - Temperatures
 - -5-40 °C



Why gSAFT?

Accurate prediction of phase envelope for near-pure CO₂ mixtures





Interfaces to 3rd party modelling tools



- Direct interfacing / co-simulation based on gPROMS's
 Foreign Object (FO) interface
 - Steady-state modelling and simulation packages (E.ON's PROATES)
 - Equipment design tools (Rolls-Royce's CompPerform/CompSelect)
- Model fitting
 - Incorporate reduced-order models of high-fidelity equipment models



Summary



What is gCCS?



- A system-wide gPROMS-based modelling platform for "full" CCS chains
 - Build and validate models
 - Simulate CCS systems from source to sink within a single environment
 - Optimise entire CCS chains or parts thereof
- ... with pre-installed components for
 - Conventional (coal-fired, CCGT) and non-conventional (oxy-fuel, IGCC) power generation
 - Solvent-based CO₂ capture (both chemical and physical processes)
 - Compression & Liquefaction
 - Transportation (on- and off-shore pipelines)
 - Injection in sub-sea storage
 - State-of-the-art physical properties models for the mixtures along the CCS chain
- ... considering various levels of complexity



When?



Now

- Conventional power (PC, CCGT), capture (chemical absorption), compression & transportation/injection models
- Full chain simulation demonstrated
- gCCS v1.0 alpha available for evaluation to selected
 - universities & research consortia
 - lead users among industrial partners
- Interfaces to 3rd-party models
- Soon (2-4 month timescale)
 - IGCC, oxyfuel power generation
 - Capture physical absorption
 - Integration with advanced physical properties engine (SAFT-γ Mie)
- To follow (6-9 month timescale)
 - Costing
 - Project-ready environment



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The project is aimed at delivering a robust, fully integrated tool-kit that can be used by CCS stakeholders across the whole CCS chain.











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