

Build confidence in CFD modelling with *FLOW-3D* HYDRO

Eric Lemont

Flow Science Australasia Pty Ltd

Welcome!



Eric Lemont Verify now

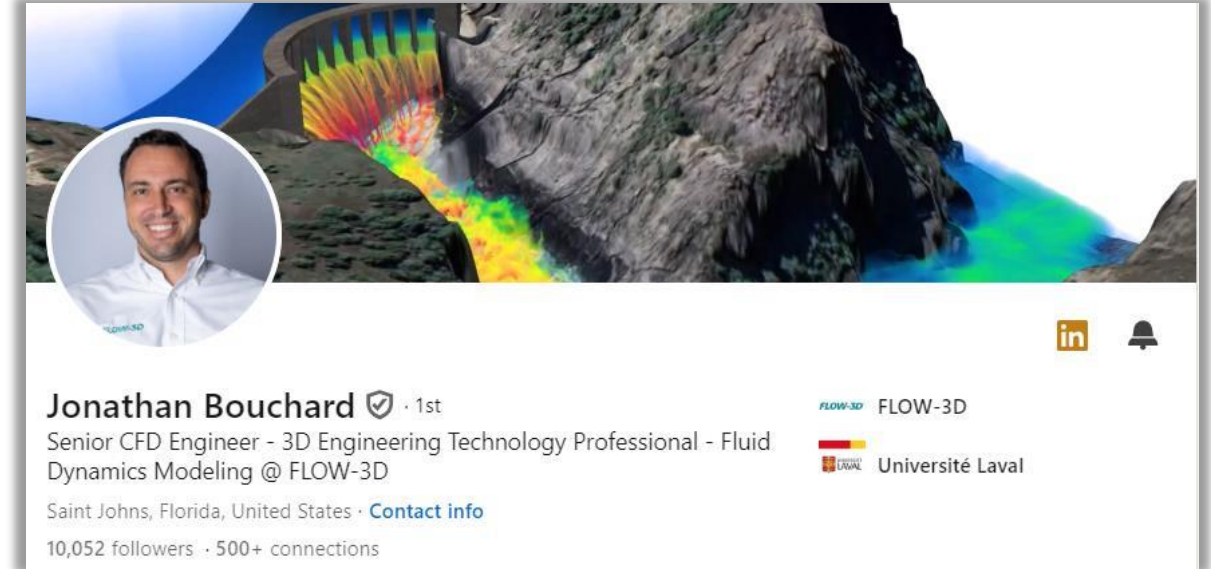
General Manager at Flow Science Australasia | FLOW-3D

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia · [Contact info](#)

6,588 followers · 500+ connections

The profile picture features a circular portrait of Eric Lemont on the left. The background is a collage: the top left shows a dam with water flowing over it; the top right has the 'FLOW-3D' logo in large blue letters; the bottom right shows a 3D CFD simulation of water flow through a structure, with a color scale from blue to red.

www.linkedin.com/in/eplemont
eric.lemont@flow3d.com.au



Jonathan Bouchard 1st

Senior CFD Engineer - 3D Engineering Technology Professional - Fluid Dynamics Modeling @ FLOW-3D

Saint Johns, Florida, United States · [Contact info](#)

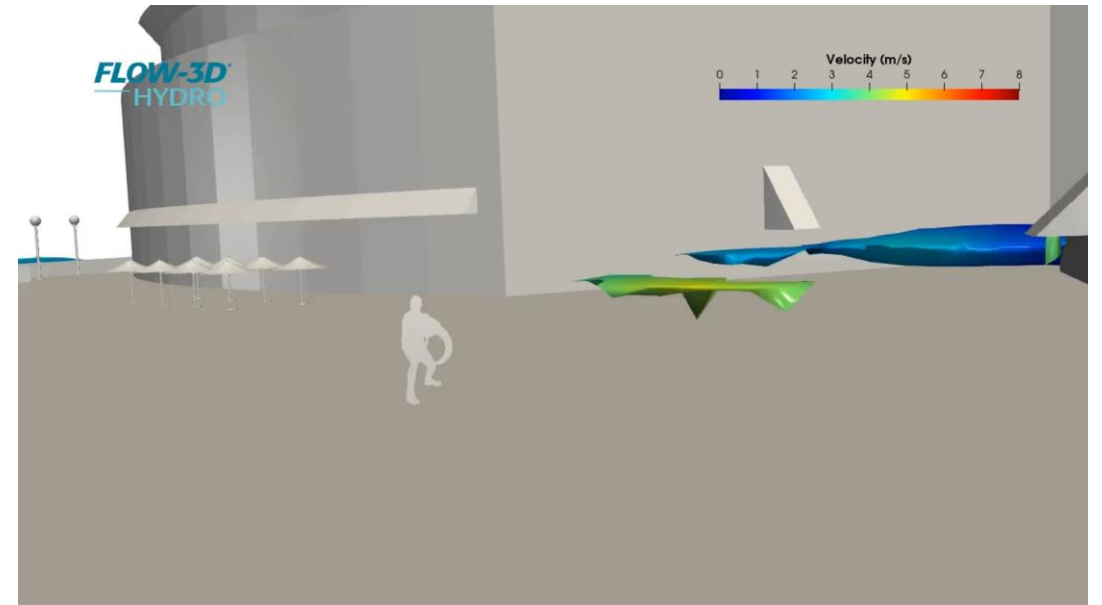
10,052 followers · 500+ connections

The profile picture features a circular portrait of Jonathan Bouchard on the left. The background is a 3D CFD simulation of water flowing over a rocky ledge, with a color scale from blue to red. The 'FLOW-3D' logo is visible in the top right corner of the background image.

www.linkedin.com/in/jonbouchard/
Jon.Bouchard@flow3d.com



- **FLOW-3D** distributor for Australia & New Zealand
- Former **FLOW-3D** user in civil engineering industry
- Based in Brisbane



Website: www.flow3d.com.au

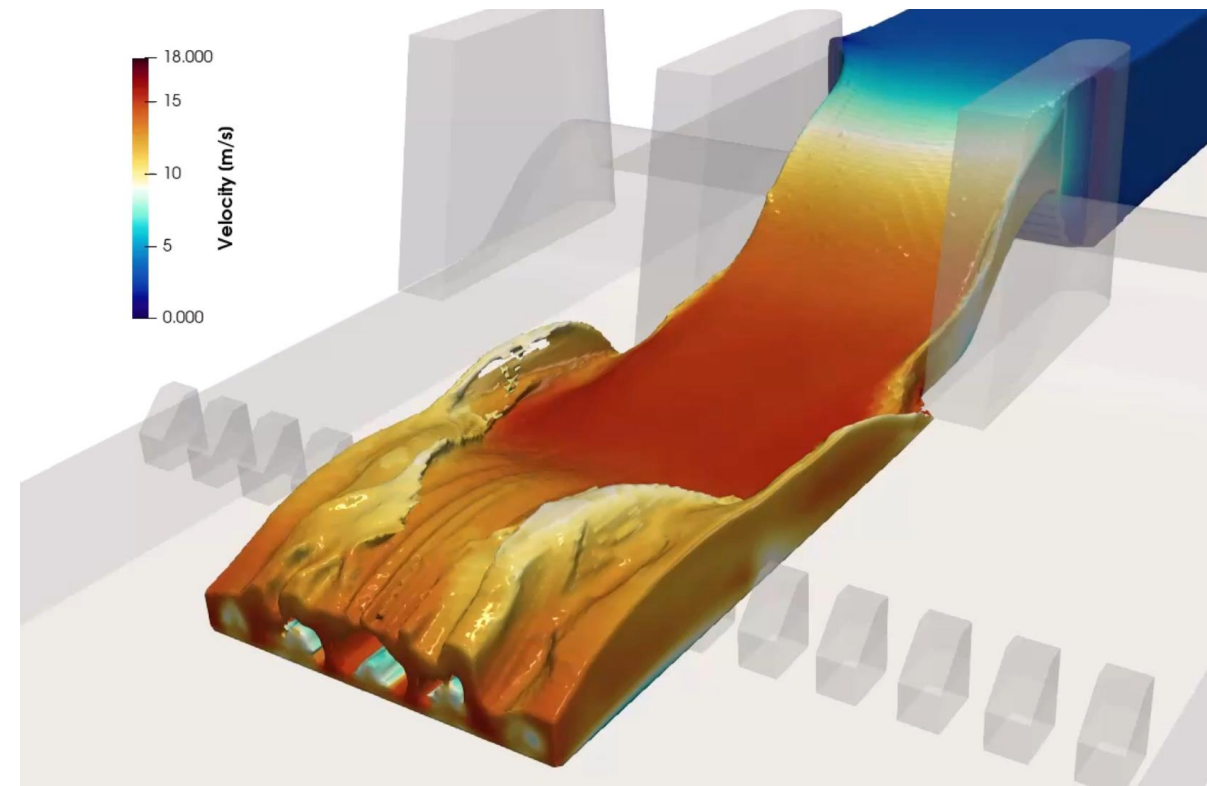
LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/company/flow-science-australasia/

Phone: +61 499 077 607

Email: info@flow3d.com.au

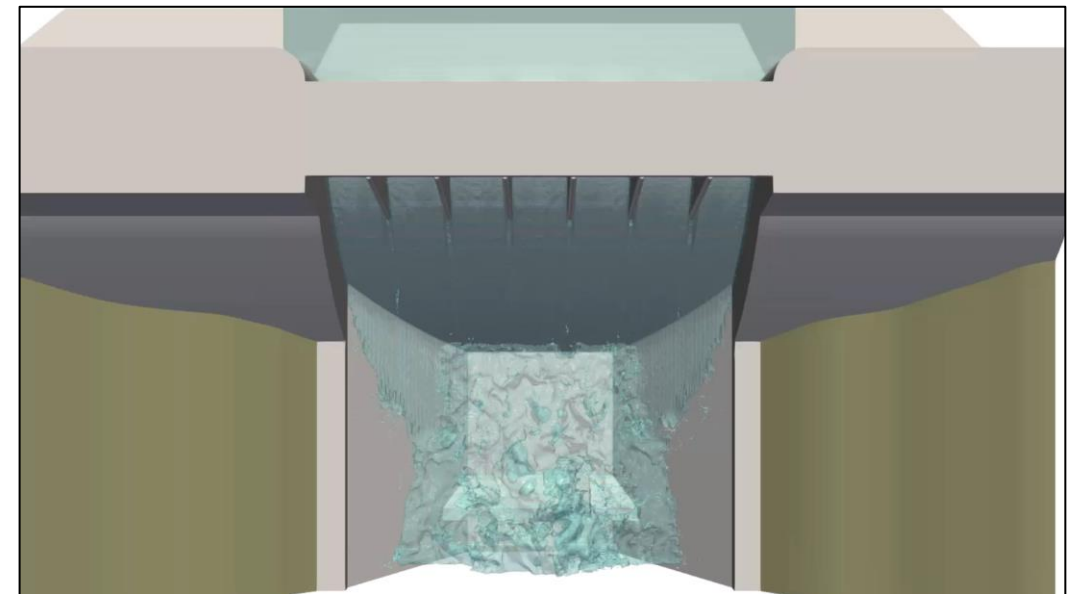
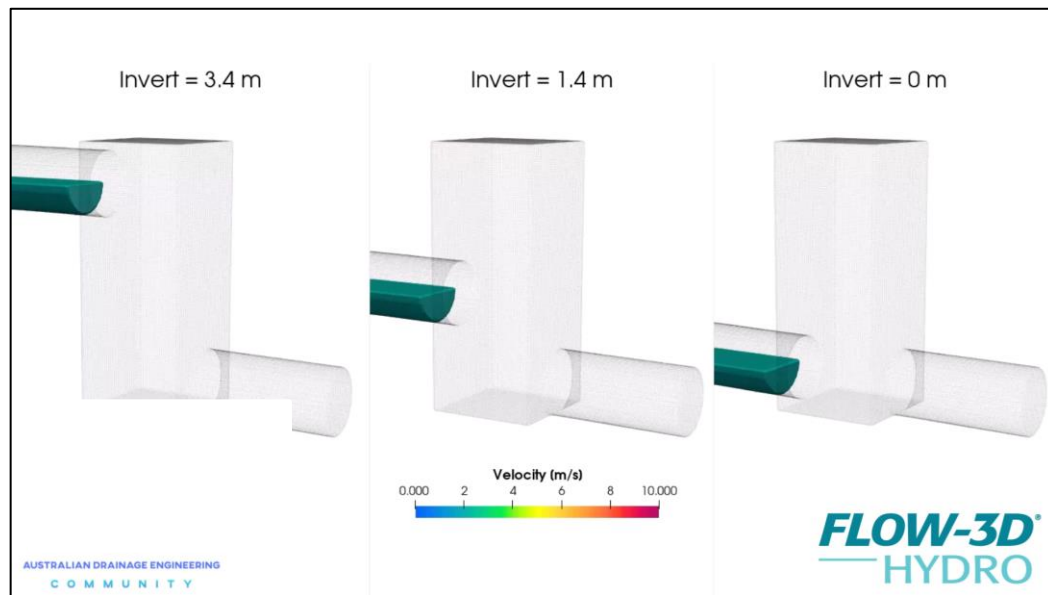
Today's Agenda

1. Introduction to 3D CFD and an overview of **FLOW-3D HYDRO**
2. User case studies
3. Launch the **FLOW-3D HYDRO** on-demand training course hosted by the Australian Water School
4. Live 5-minute **FLOW-3D HYDRO** demo



Today's Theme: Building Confidence in CFD

- How do our users build confidence into their CFD projects?
- How can you build confidence in your own CFD modelling skills?
- How does the **FLOW-3D HYDRO** interface and workflow help you build confidence in CFD modelling?



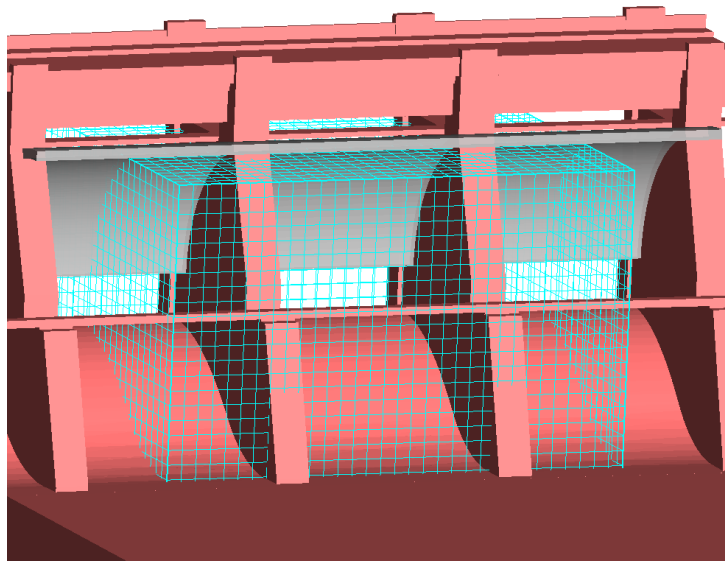
What is CFD?

A simulation tool that provides a highly accurate, detailed, and dynamic representation of how the flow interacts with its environment



What is CFD?

- Numerical solution for conservation of mass, momentum and energy

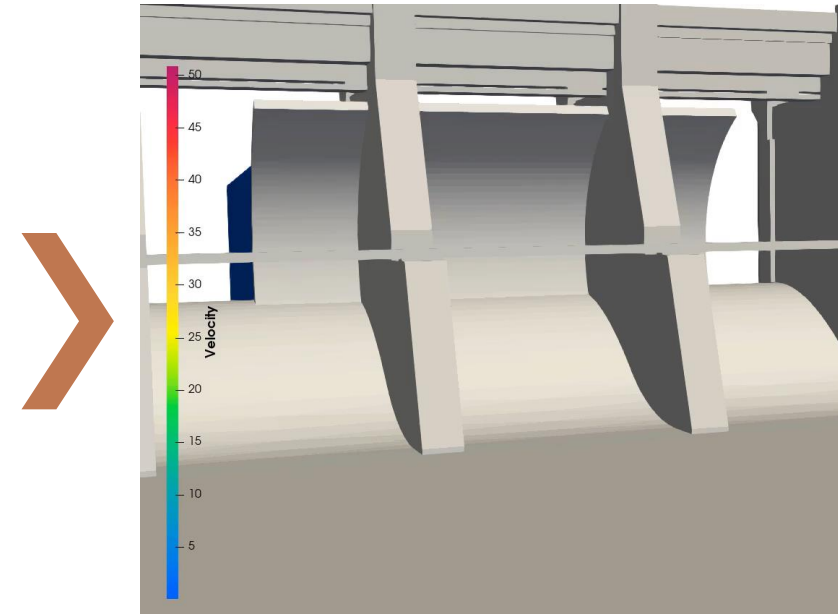


Continuity: $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$

$$\text{X-Momentum: } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (u\mathbf{u}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \nabla^2 u$$

$$\text{Y-Momentum: } \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (v\mathbf{u}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \nu \nabla^2 v$$

$$\text{Z-Momentum: } \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (w\mathbf{u}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \nu \nabla^2 w$$



What is CFD?

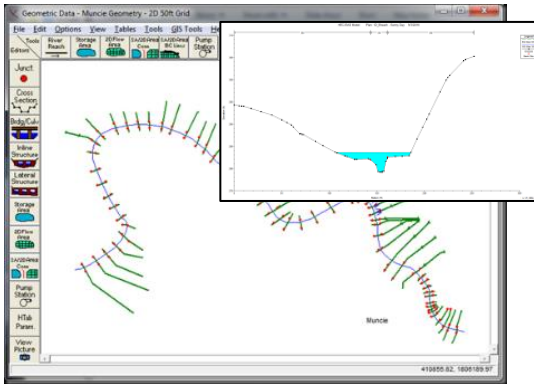
Continuity: $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$

X-Momentum: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \nabla^2 u$

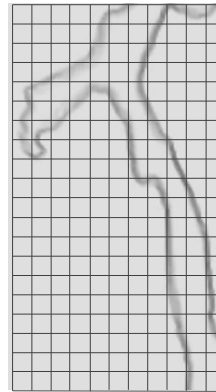
Y-Momentum: $\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\mathbf{u}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \nu \nabla^2 v$

Z-Momentum: $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{w}\mathbf{u}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \nu \nabla^2 w$

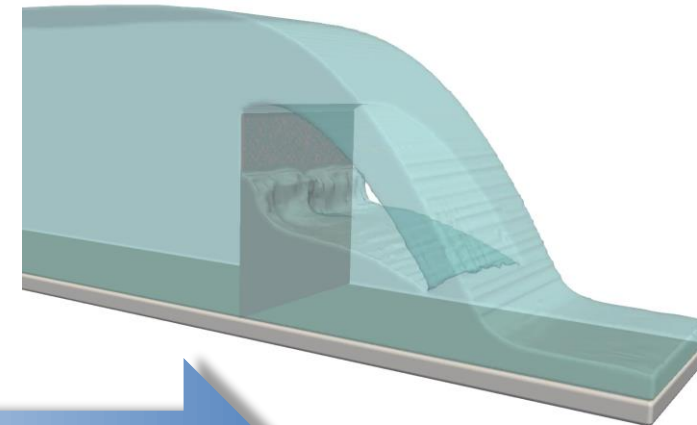
1 Dimensional



2 Dimensional



3 Dimensional



Increasing Complexity

When to Use 3D CFD?

- Higher accuracy alternative
- Reduction of design uncertainty
- Flexibility and versatility
- Analysis of complex / interacting multi-physics
- Supplement to physical and 1D/2D numerical models
- Effective communication
- And more...



Additional Resources



Resources



Bibliography

We have an extensive bibliography of technical papers related to **FLOW-3D** results available for researchers.



Case Studies

Explore case studies provided by our customers & learn about the new ways **FLOW-3D** is being used to speed up production, modify designs, research new material and create new designs.



CFD 101

If you are new to **FLOW-3D** or simply want a refresher on the building blocks of fluid dynamics we encourage you to explore CFD-101, a CFD primer written by our founder, Dr. C.W. Hirt.



Conference Proceedings

Conference proceedings are a great way to learn about the many different applications of **FLOW-3D** from users around the world.

<https://www.flow3d.com/resources/>

About Flow Science...

FLOW-3D[®]

↪ **FLOW-3D[®] HYDRO**

FLOW-3D[®] AM

FLOW-3D[®] (x)

FLOW-3D[®] WELD

FLOW-3D[®] CAST

LANL, T-3 GROUP
EARLY 1960's - 1979

FLOW

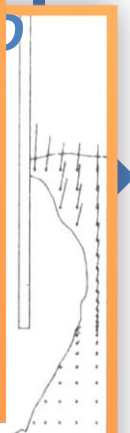
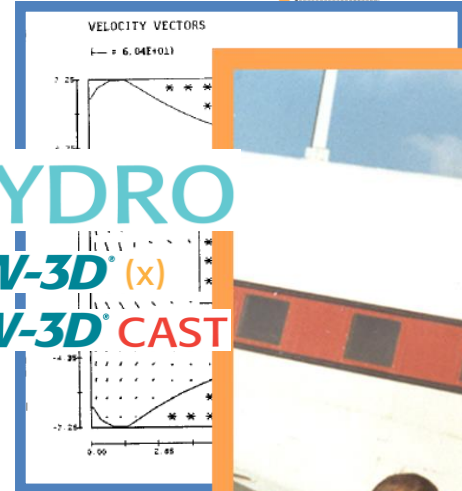


interface tracking

Marker and Cell
Flow Science Distributors

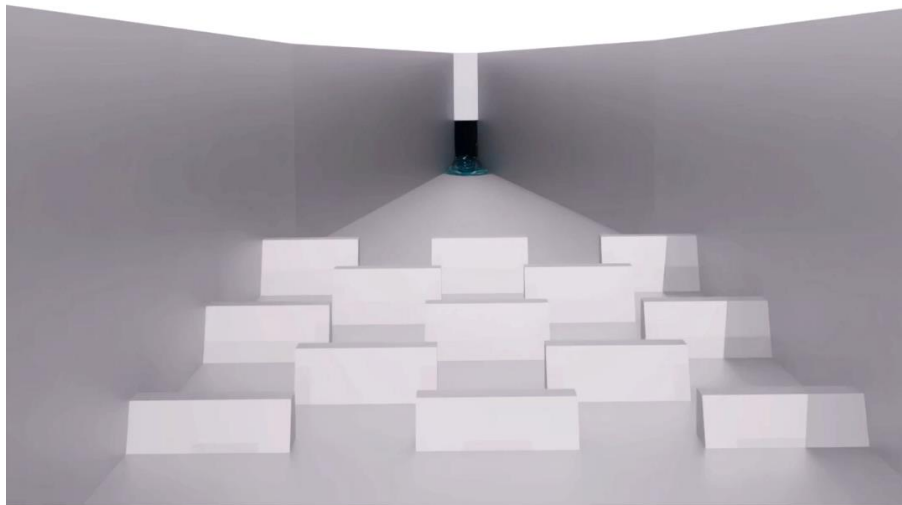
DISCOVER

FLOW-3D



About *FLOW-3D* HYDRO

Complete CFD modelling solution for water applications in civil, coastal and environmental engineering industry

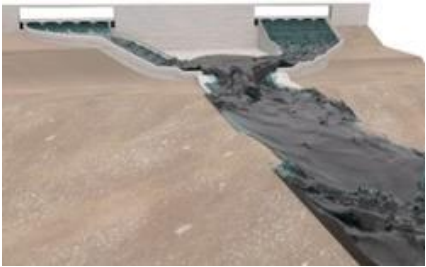


- **45+ years** of development
- Key features:
 - State-of-the-art 3D free surface capabilities
 - Advanced multiphysics
 - Advanced post-processing
 - Technical support
 - Versatility

About FLOW-3D HYDRO

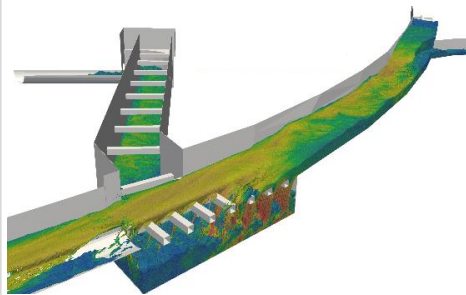
Dams & Spillways

- Hydraulics
- Rating curves
- Cavitation
- Air entrainment
- Sediment transport
- Rip-rap / embankment protection
- Moving gates
- Floating barriers
- Debris
- Free surface vortices at gates
- Uplift and forces
- Siphons
- Fish passage



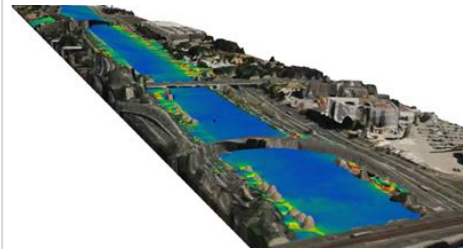
Conveyance Infrastructure

- Mixed free surface and pressurized flows
- Air supply
- Air entrainment
- Sedimentation
- Moving gates
- Debris
- Pump stations
- Free surface pump Intake vortices
- Valves
- Flow splitting



Rivers & Environmental

- River hydraulics
- 2D/3D hybrid models
- GIS/CAD integration
- Contaminants and plumes
- Bridge hydraulics and scour
- Sediment transport
- Fish passage
- Debris
- Tailings and non-Newtonian fluids
- Erosion protection



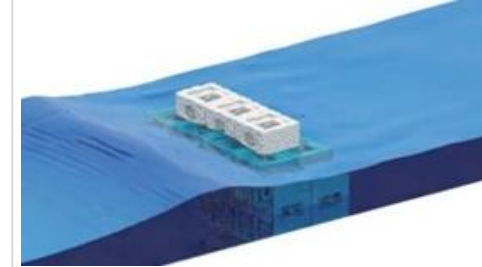
Water Treatment

- WWTP hydraulics
- Disinfection
- Sedimentation
- Hindered settling
- Dispersed multiphase
- Gas dissolution
- Non-Newtonian fluids
- Density flows
- Reaction kinetics
- Mixing
- Screens
- Lagoon aeration and dissolved oxygen



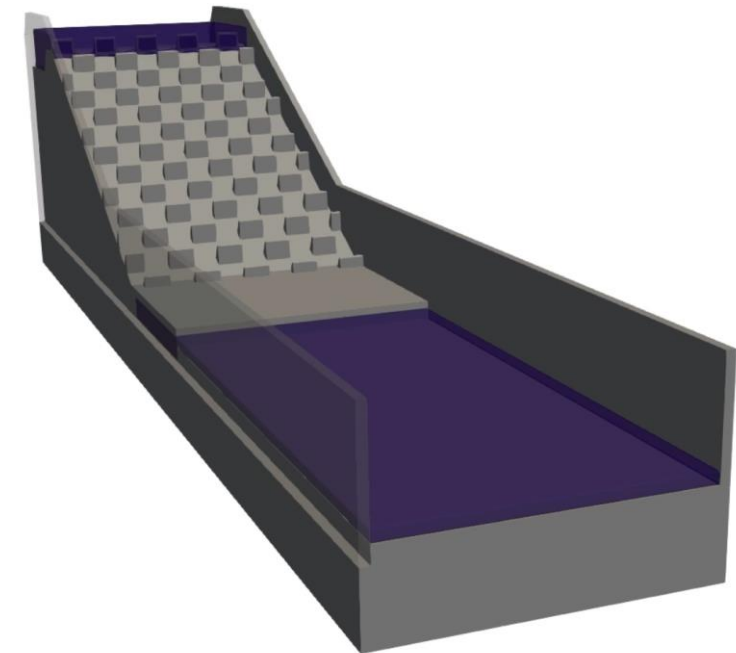
Ports & Coastal

- Wave/structure interactions
- Breakwaters
- Moving objects
- Density flows
- Wave energy devices
- Mooring, catenaries
- Coastal outfalls
- Ship launches
- Locks



Not all CFD software is the same...

- What makes **FLOW-3D HYDRO** different?
 - Easy to use user interface
 - Simple meshing and geometry handling
 - Robust free-surface modelling with a 1-fluid volume of fluid approach
 - Faster simulations → less hardware required
 - Supported and developed by people with experience in the water industry



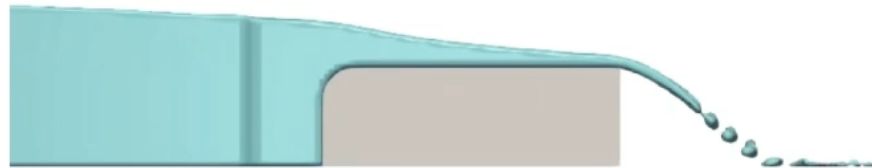
FLOW-3D[®]
HYDRO



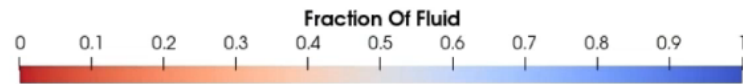
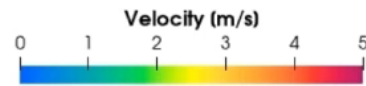
1-fluid VOF vs. 2-fluid VOF: a simple comparison

1-fluid VOF

Air flow is not modelled



1-FLUID VOF

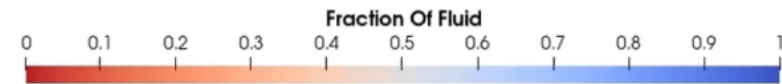
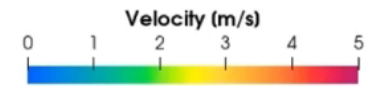


2-fluid VOF

Air flow is modelled



2-FLUID VOF



Kerb break capture efficiency

Location: Queensland, Australia

Contact: Steven Voss
ARUP
Steven.Voss@arup.com

ARUP

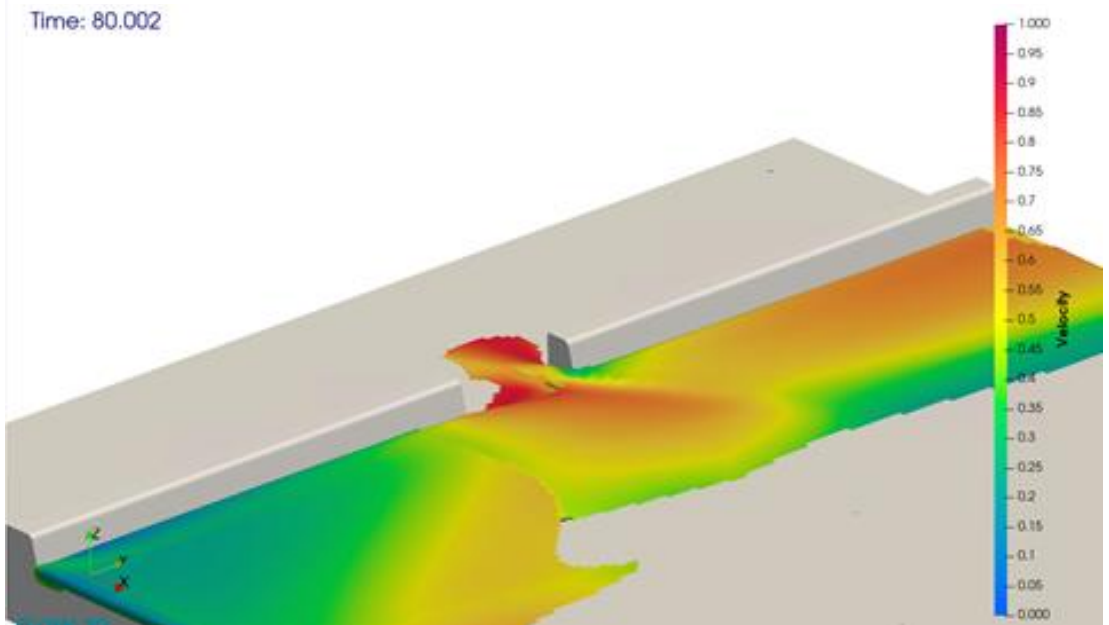
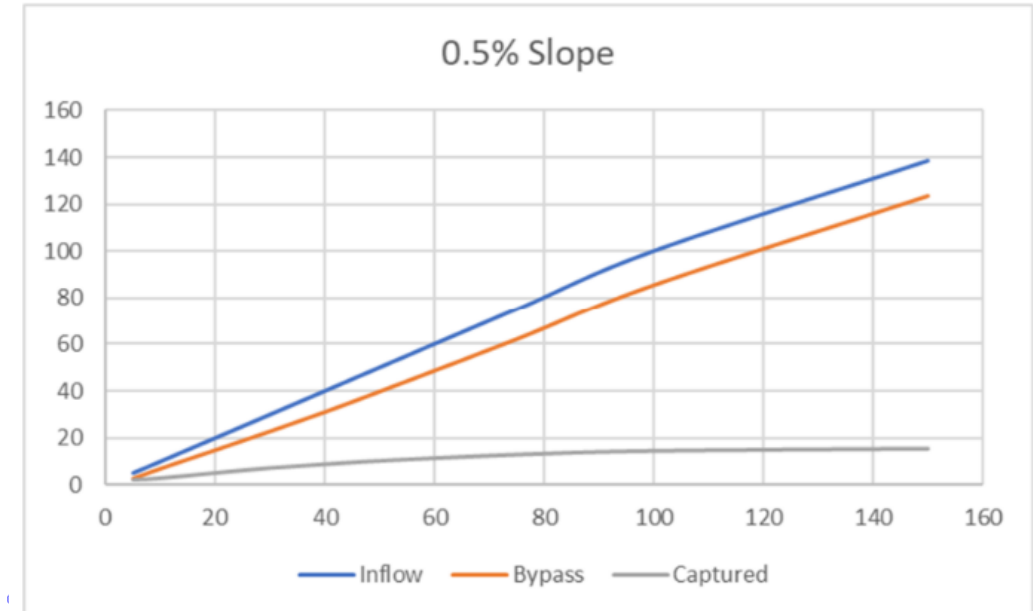
Cycle track drainage

- Problem:
 - Capture efficiency of kerb breaks is uncertain
 - How many do we need?
- Approach:
 - Create a 3D virtual lab in **FLOW-3D HYDRO**
 - Simulate a range of flow rates and longitudinal slopes
 - Develop capture curves



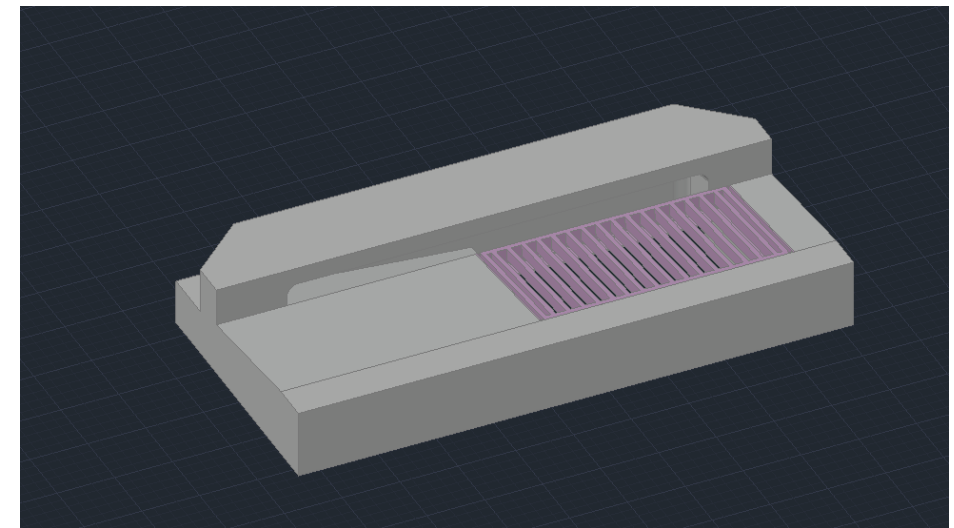
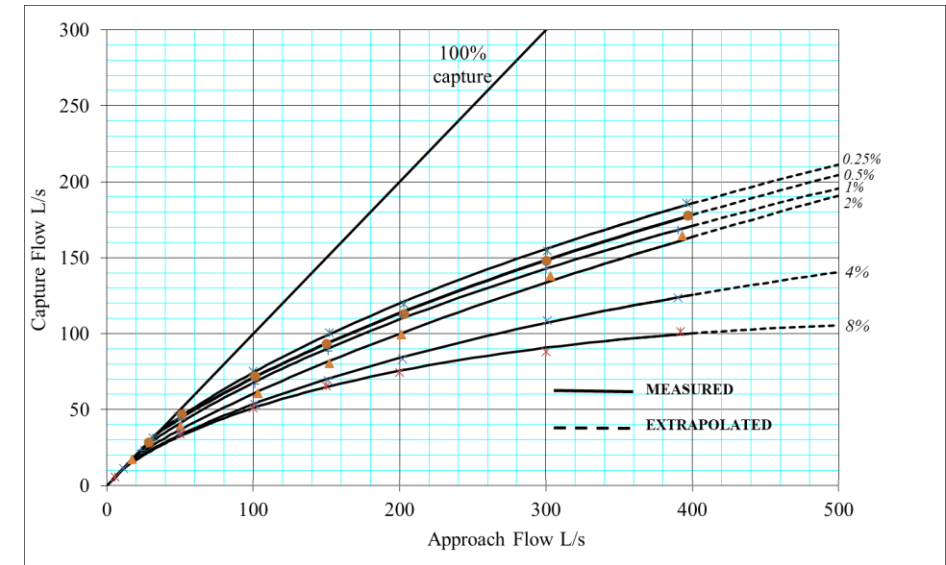
Capture efficiency

- Generated capture curves for range of longitudinal gradients and flow rates
- Gained insights into the design approach for kerb break spacing
 - Spacing dependent on road width
 - Wider gaps may reduce spacing
 - Possible sediment issues due to low velocities



Ongoing drainage applications

- Combination pit design
- Lab testing at UniSA Laboratory
 - CFD validated to physical data
 - CFD used to test additional variations



Primary settling tank (non-Newtonian sludge)

Location: Victoria, Australia

Contact: Greg Chalmers
CMP Consulting Group
gchalmers@cmpgroup.com.au

Primary settling tank sludge pumping issue...

- Primary settling tank for wastewater treatment
 - When sludge pumps are in operation for 10-15 minutes, a “rathole” develops in sludge layer
 - This results in the upper water layer being pumped out instead of the sludge layer
 - Currently, they run the pumps for shorter durations (1-2 minutes) to get around the ratholing issue

- Can CFD modelling assist with the solution?

- Initial perception from the client:

- *"Standard CFD software will not accurately model Herschel-Bulkley fluids despite vendor claims."*



Sludge properties

- Tabular properties
- Based on site data

Fluids

Properties for Fluid 1

Material name Water at 20 C

Reference Temperature 0 C

Density Viscosity Thermal

Viscosity f(Fine Tailings) Tabular 0.001 kg/m/s

Method Tabulated data

Function coefficients

Flow index Concentration

Yield stress Tabular

Fine particle concentration-Flow index

	Fine particle concentration	Flow index
1	0	1
2	0.1	1
3	1	1
4	10	1
5	200	1

Viscosity

Independent variable 1 Fine tailings concentration

Independent variable 2 None

Table

	tailings concentra	Viscosity (kg/m/s)
1	0	0.001
2	5	0.001
3	10	0.003
4	15.1	0.006
5	20.1	0.011
6	30.3	0.024
7	40.5	0.044
8	50.7	0.069
9	61.1	0.1
10	71.4	0.136
11	81.9	0.179
12		
13		

Import Values Clear Table

Yield Stress

Independent variable 1 Fine tailings concentration

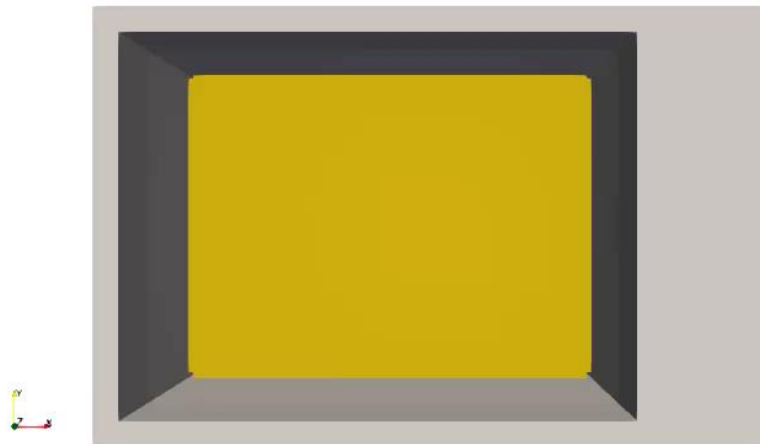
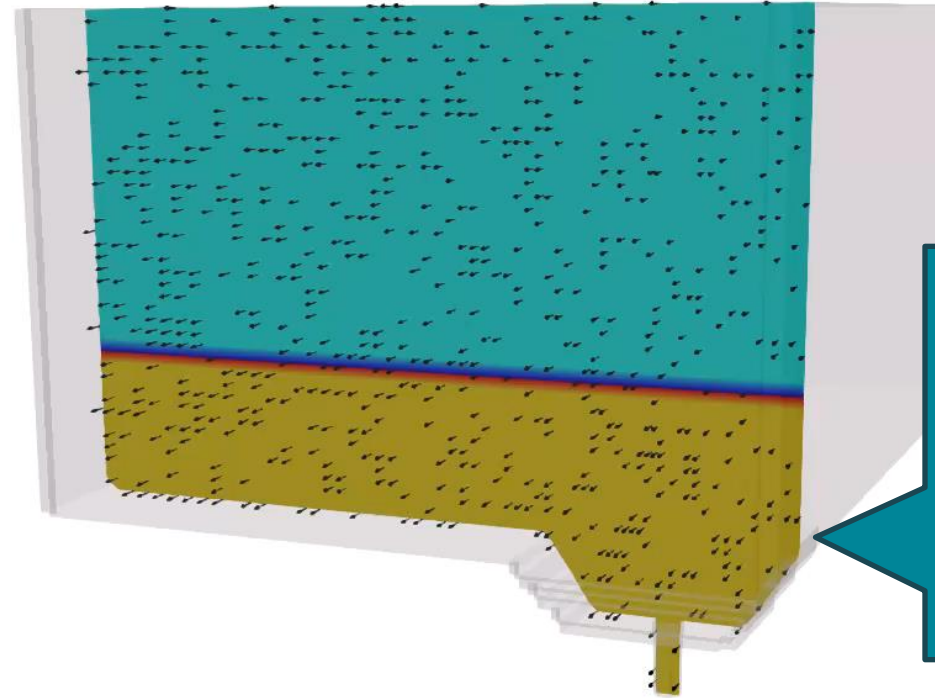
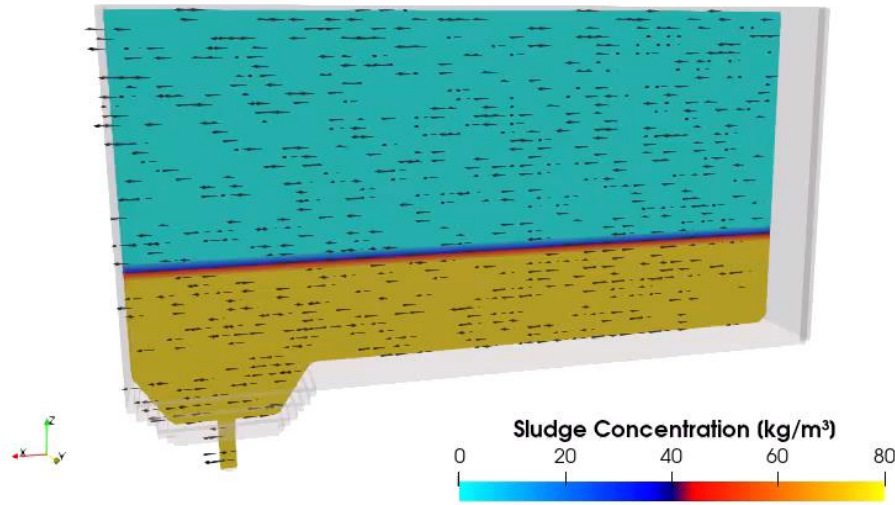
Independent variable 2 None

Table

	tailings concentra	Yield Stress (Pa)
1	0	0
2	5	1.3
3	10	2.3
4	15.1	3.5
5	20.1	5
6	30.3	8.5
7	40.5	14.5
8	50.7	21
9	61.1	27
10	71.4	35
11	81.9	45
12		
13		

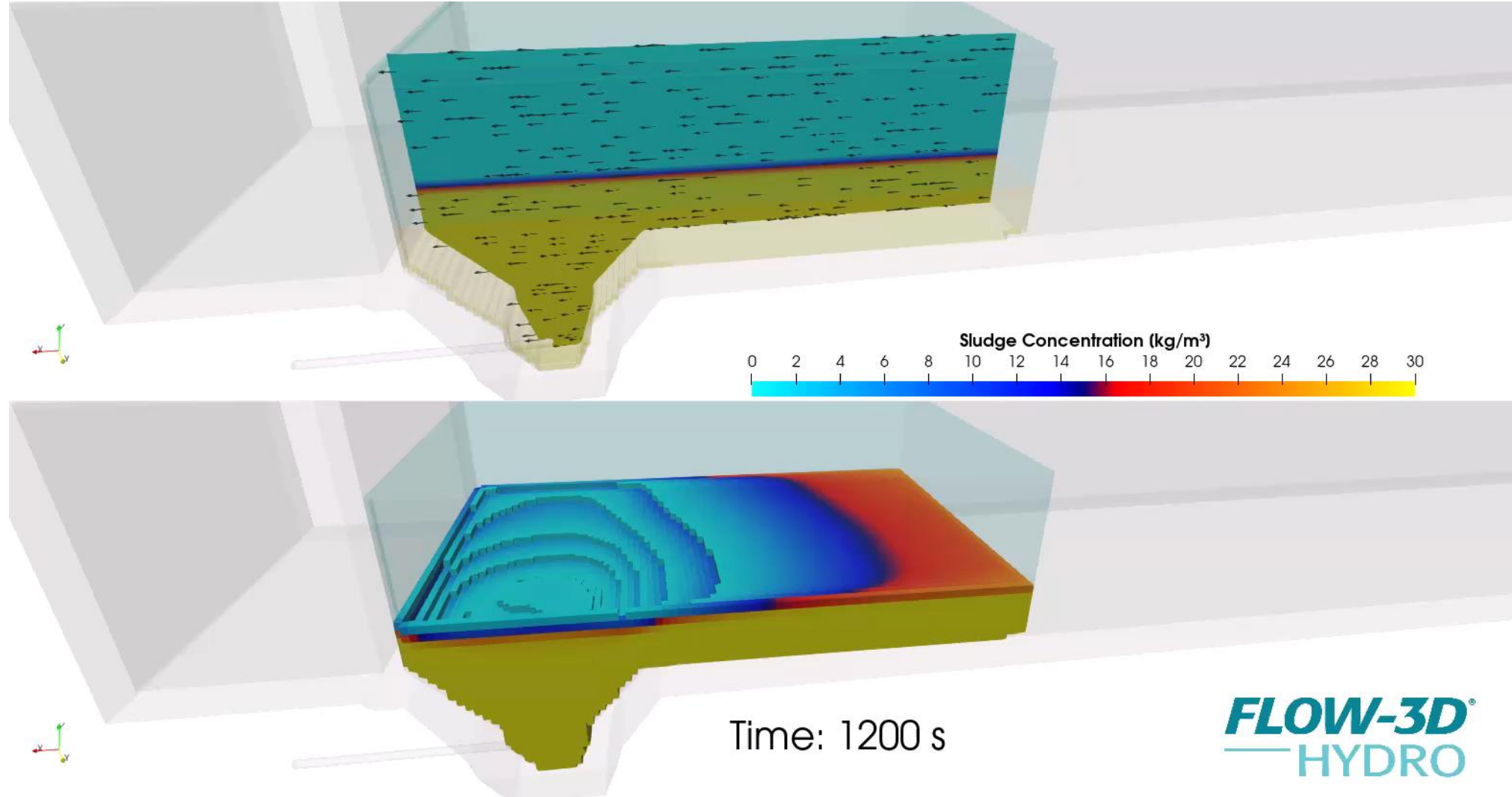
Import Values Clear Table

Can we mix water and non-Newtonian sludge?



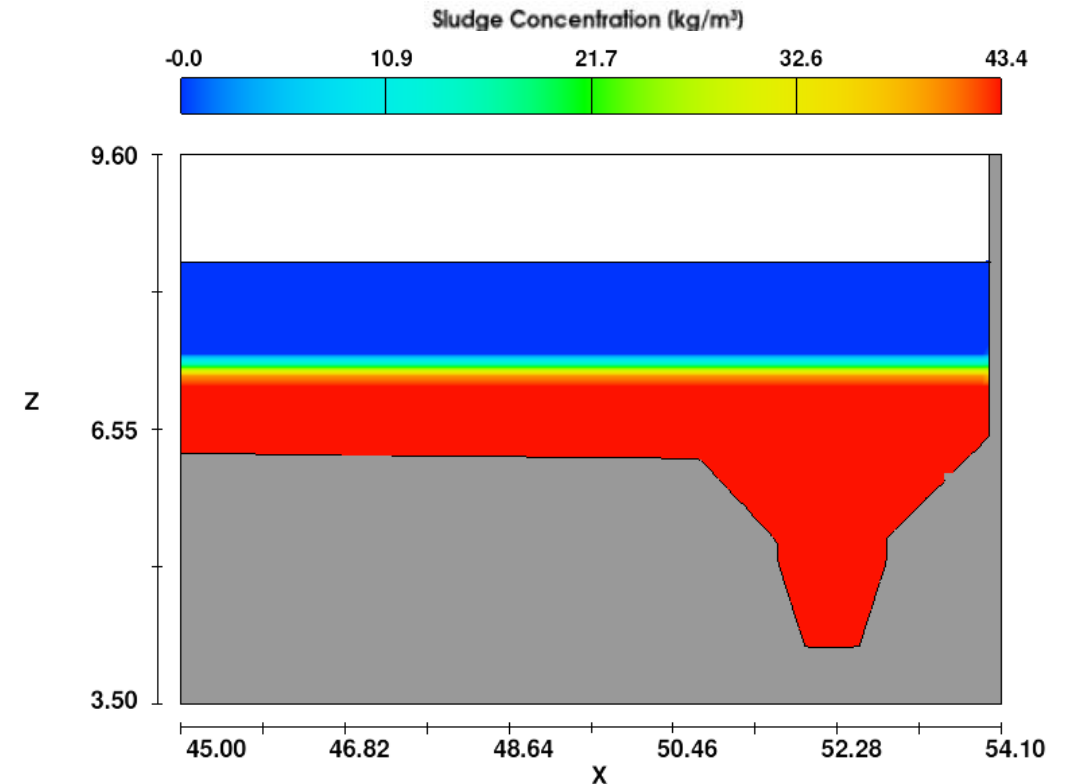
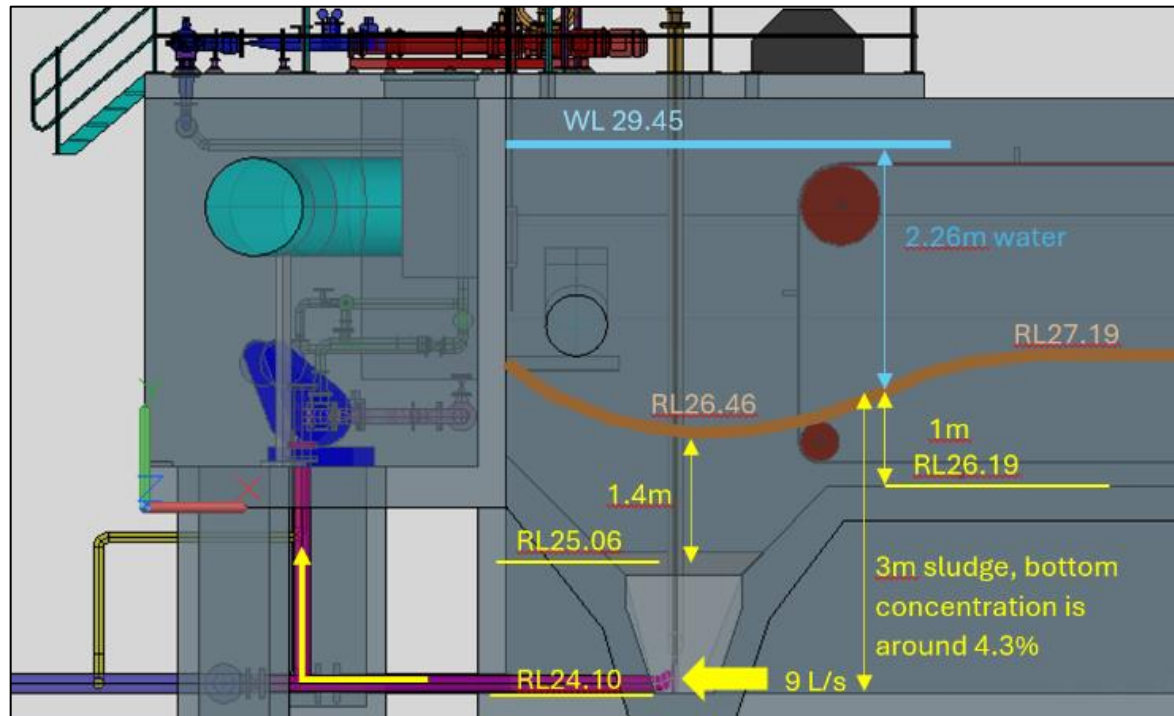
Time: 0.000 s

Existing condition (actual geometry): 12 L/s



Site testing and proposed design/improvements

- Initial site testing was consistent with CFD model tests
- Final CFD runs ongoing to support proposed design and operational improvements



Innovative nursery slot fishway

Location: Central Queensland, Australia

Contacts: Kyle Thomson
Forward Hydro
kthomson@forwardhydro.com.au

Matt Moore
Catchment Solutions
Mmoore@catchmentsolutions.com.au



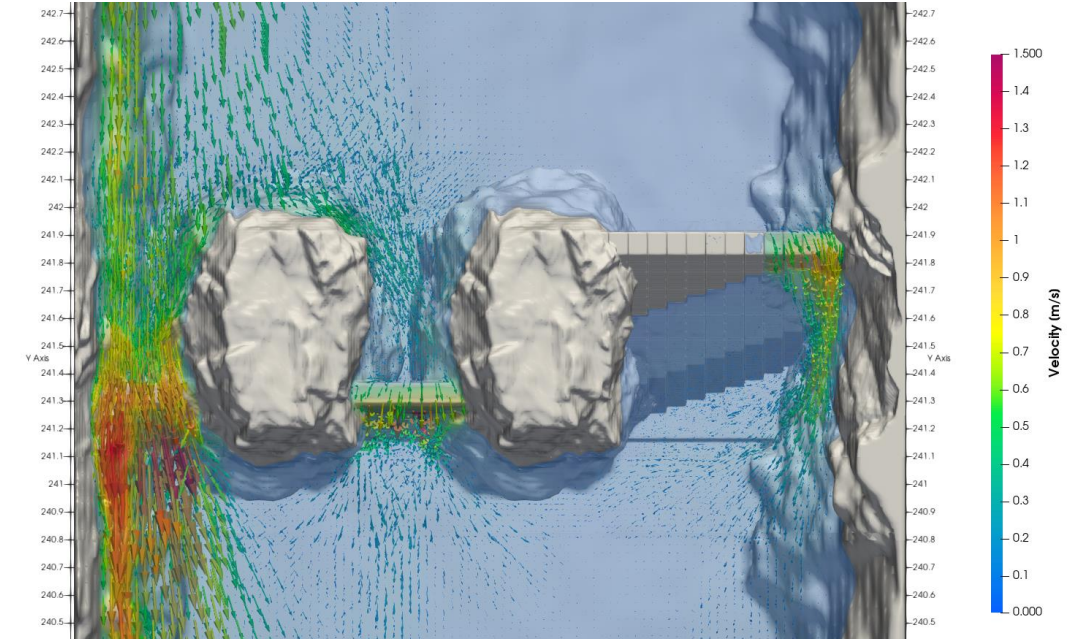
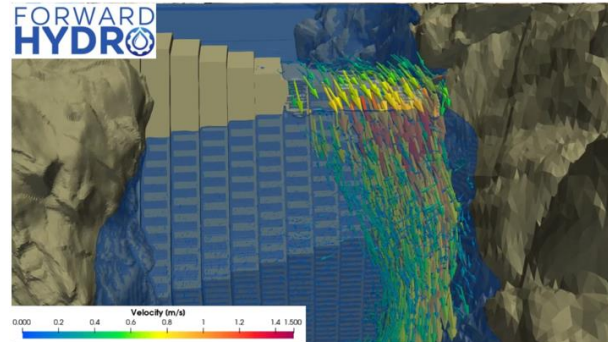
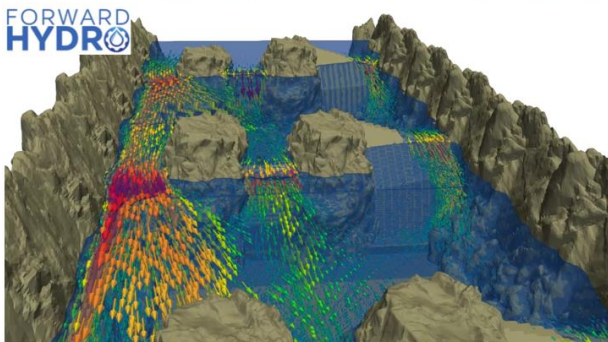
Nursery slot fishway

- Coastal ponded pasture
 - Weak swimming fish (postlarvae and juveniles)
 - Migration between saltwater and freshwater habitats
- Innovative slot design added to a rock fishway concept; works for a variety of water levels



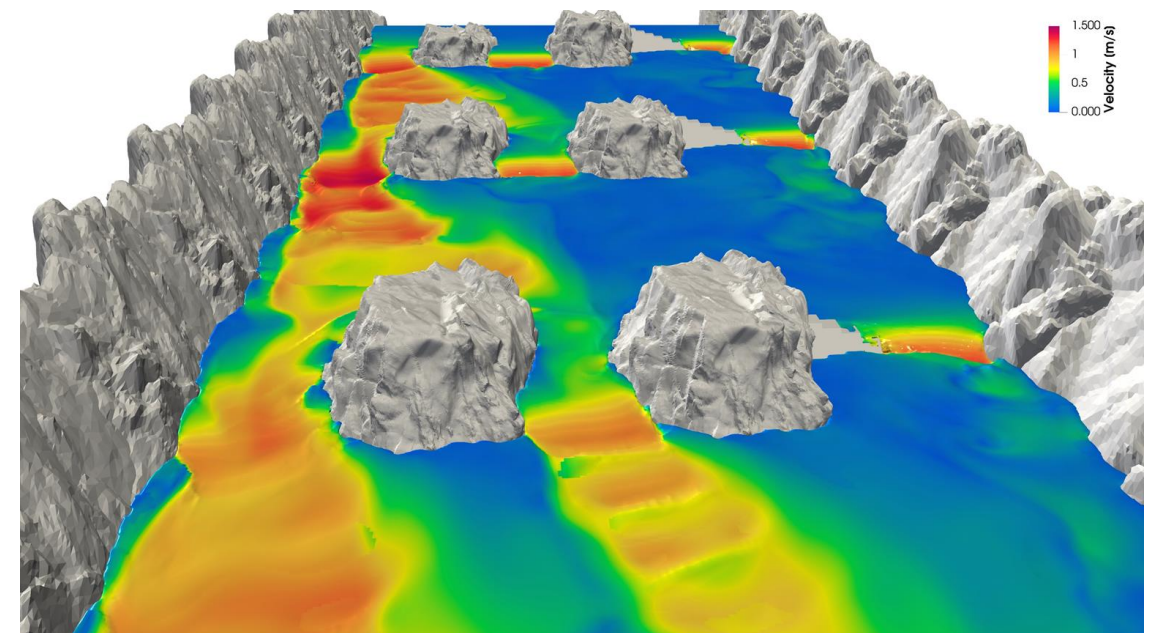
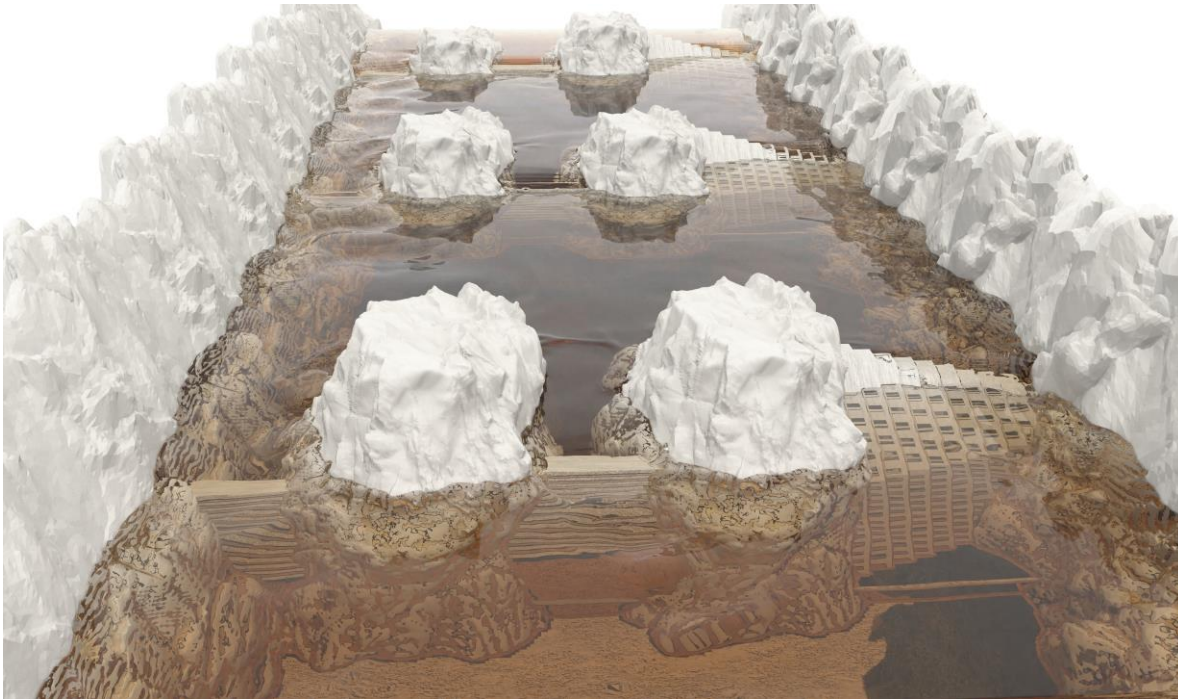
Nursery slot fishway

- CFD modelling in two phases:
 - Larger-scale fishway model for overall flow patterns
 - Finer-scale model of nursery slot ramp for detailed insights



"**FLOW-3D HYDRO's** ease of use enabled us to efficiently investigate a variety of design and hydraulic conditions... Working with the fisheries ecologists, we were able to assess the hydraulic performance of an innovative fishway design and provide advice on ways to **optimize performance** relating to the native fish species' swimming habits."

Kyle Thomson, Technical Director, Forward Hydro



Monitoring results

- During a three-day monitoring period, over 2,700 fish representing 13 different species ascended the fishway, including postlarvae and juvenile fish.



Innovative 'Nursery Slot' Fishway



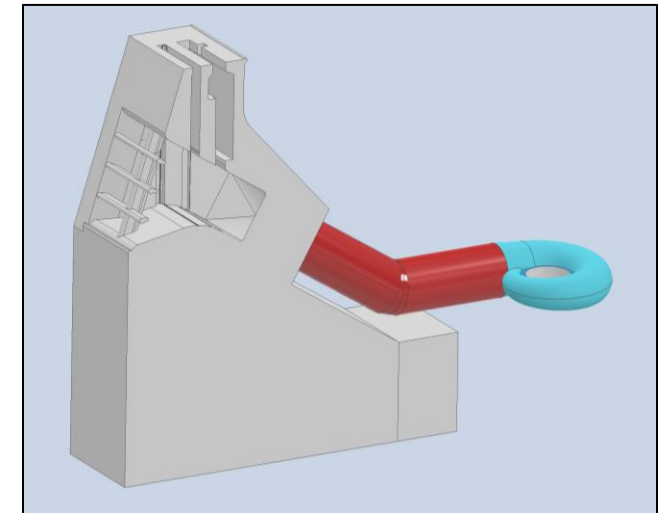
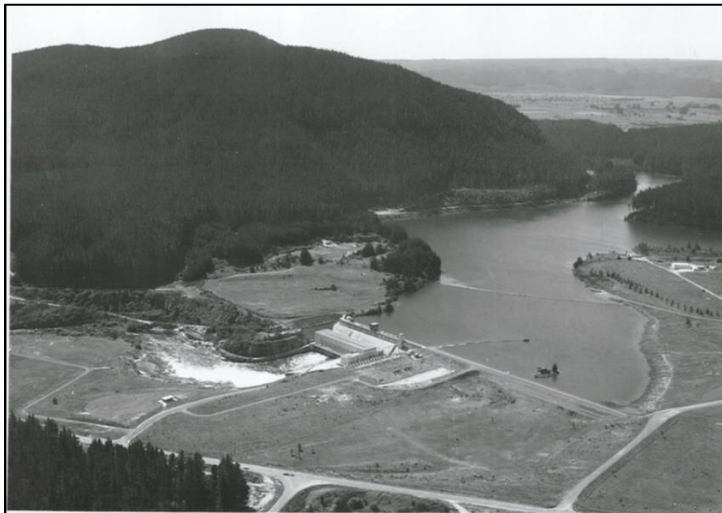
Hydro intake gate: hoist load investigation

Location: Waikato River, New Zealand

Contact: Darryl Andrews
Civil Hydraulics Consulting Ltd
darryl@civilhydraulics.co.nz

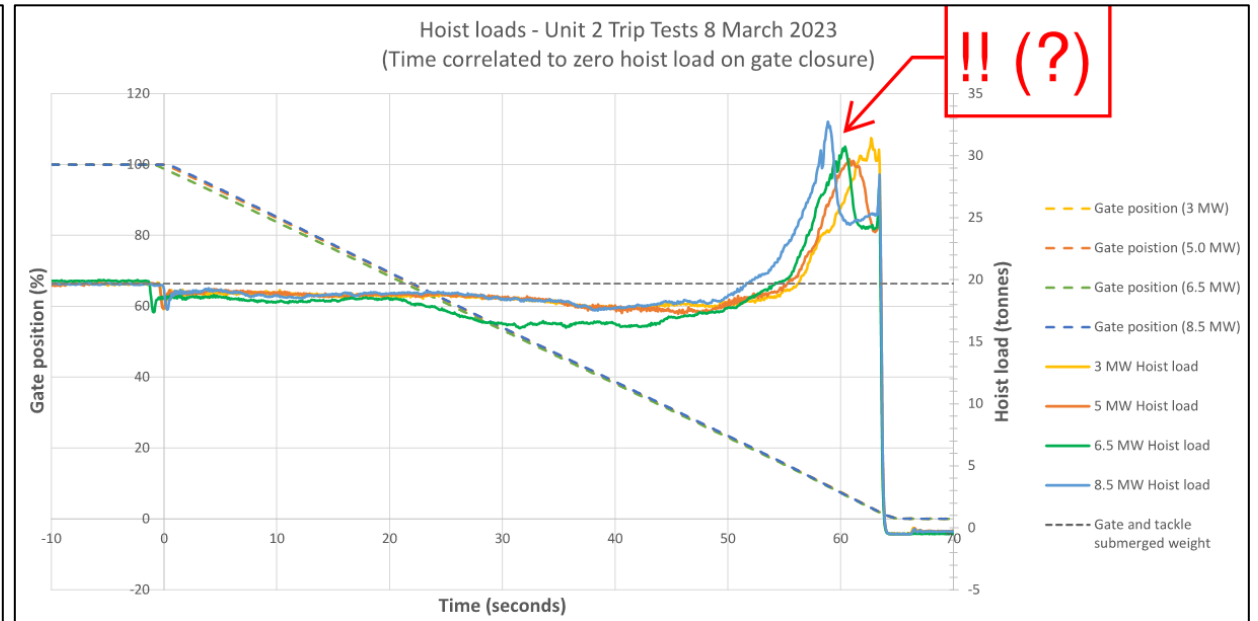
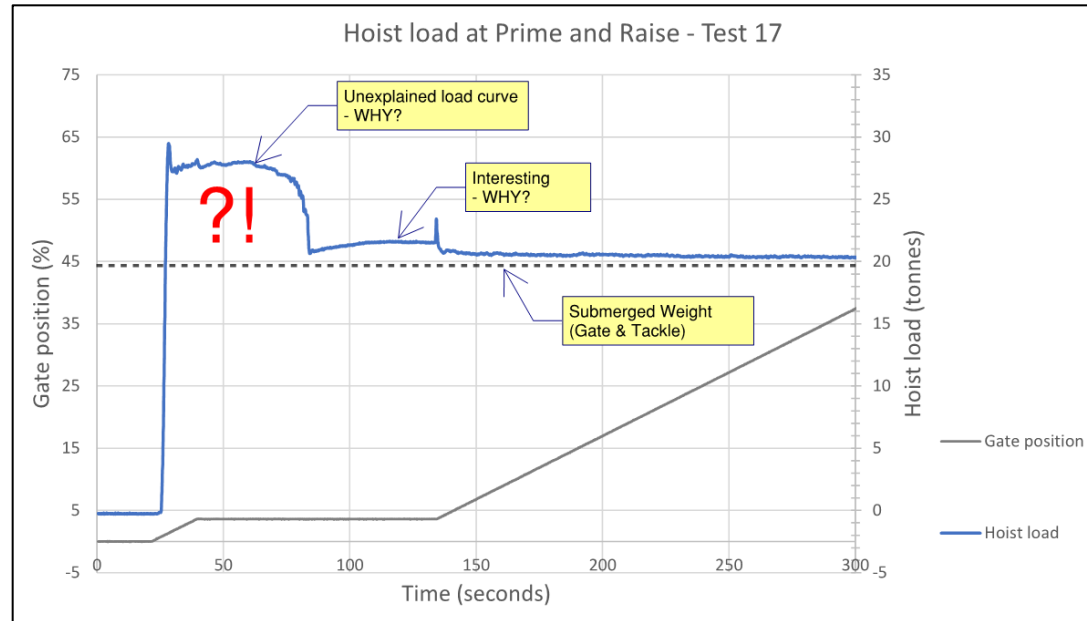
Hydro intake gate: hoist load investigation

- Atiamuri Power Station on the Waikato River
 - Four 21MW Francis turbines
 - 27.4m of operating head
- Full presentation on the **FLOW-3D** Conference Proceedings page:
 - <https://www.flow3d.com/resources/conference-proceedings/>



Site testing

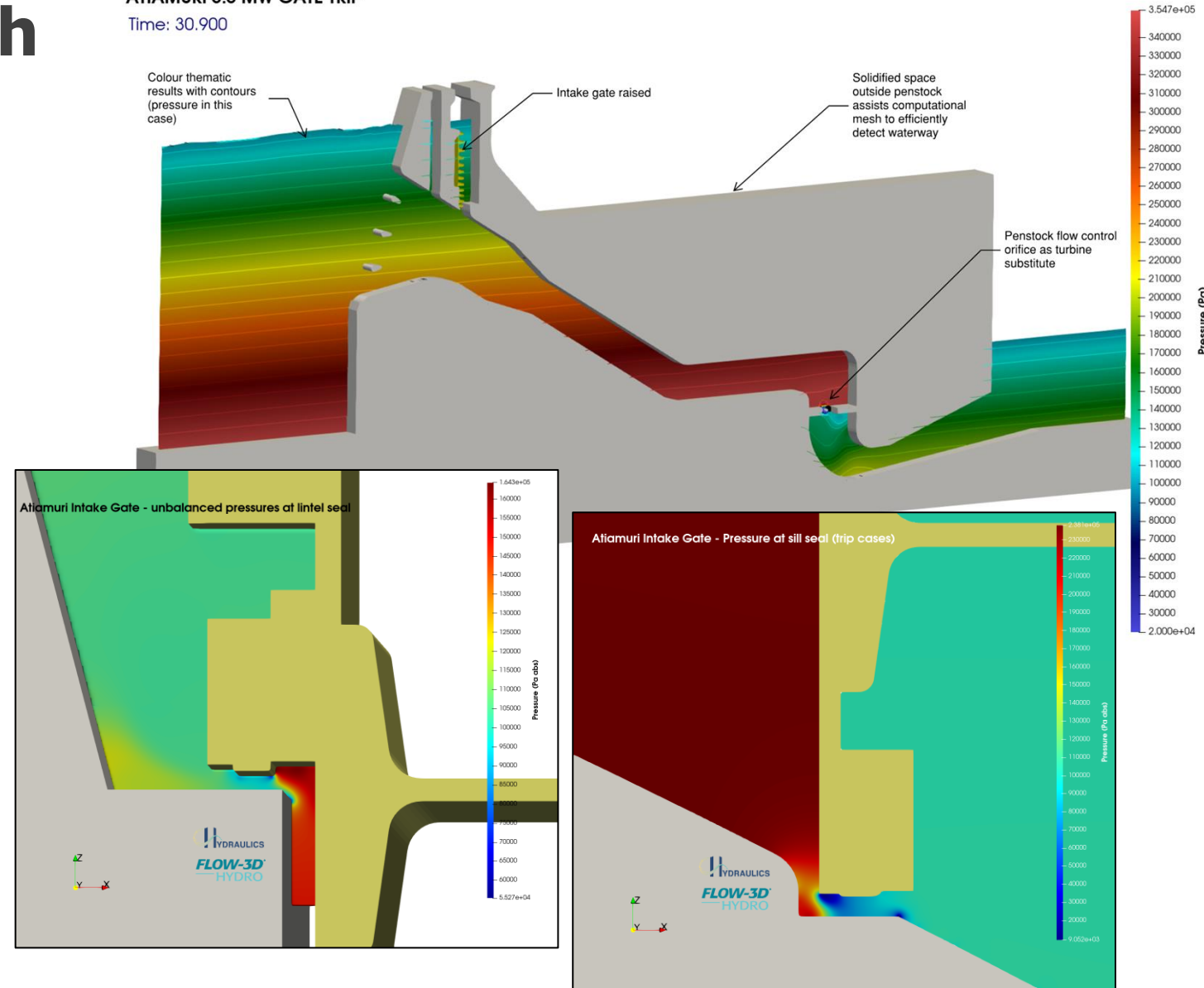
- Difficult to access gates for monitoring
- Key observations from site data:
 - Priming load irregularities
 - Excessive trip loads



CFD modelling approach

- Used a “2D slice” approach to capture more detail
 - Larger model for priming and trip investigations
 - Other detailed models for localized cases
- Data and video comparisons to site data

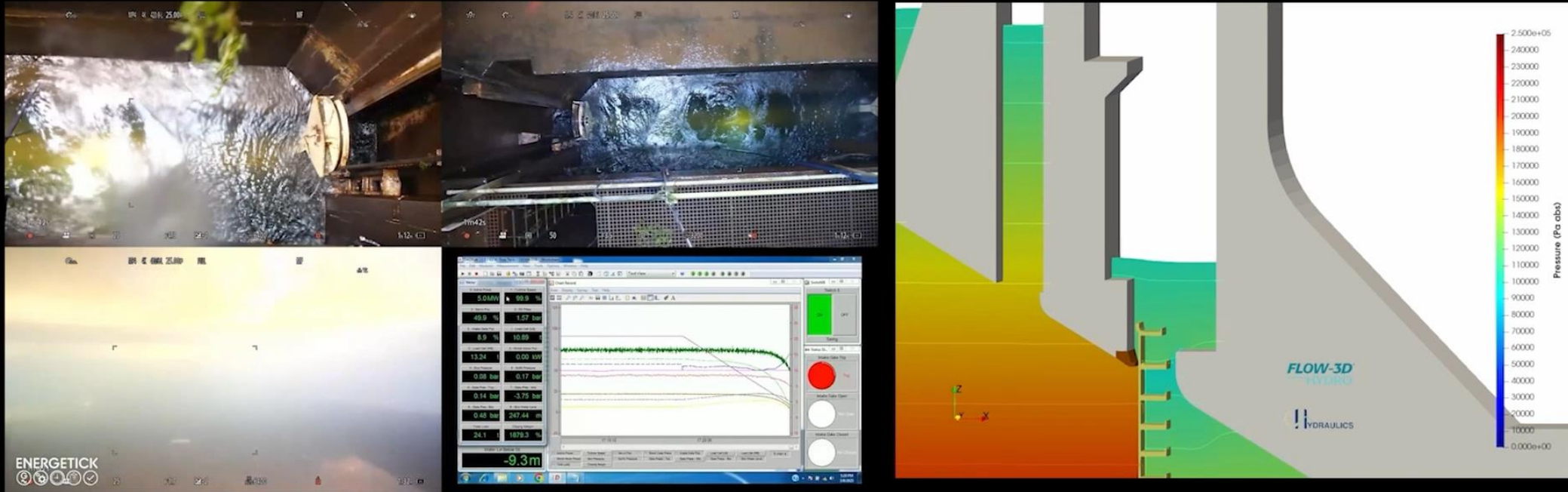
ATIAMURI 8.5 MW GATE TRIP
Time: 30.900



Atiamuri Intake Gate G2 8.5MW Trip (Test 21)

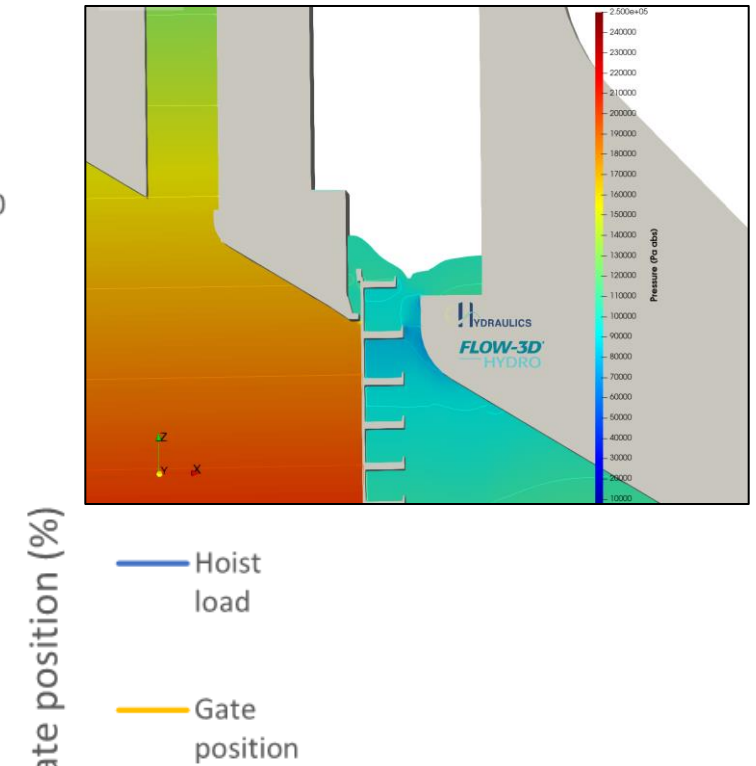
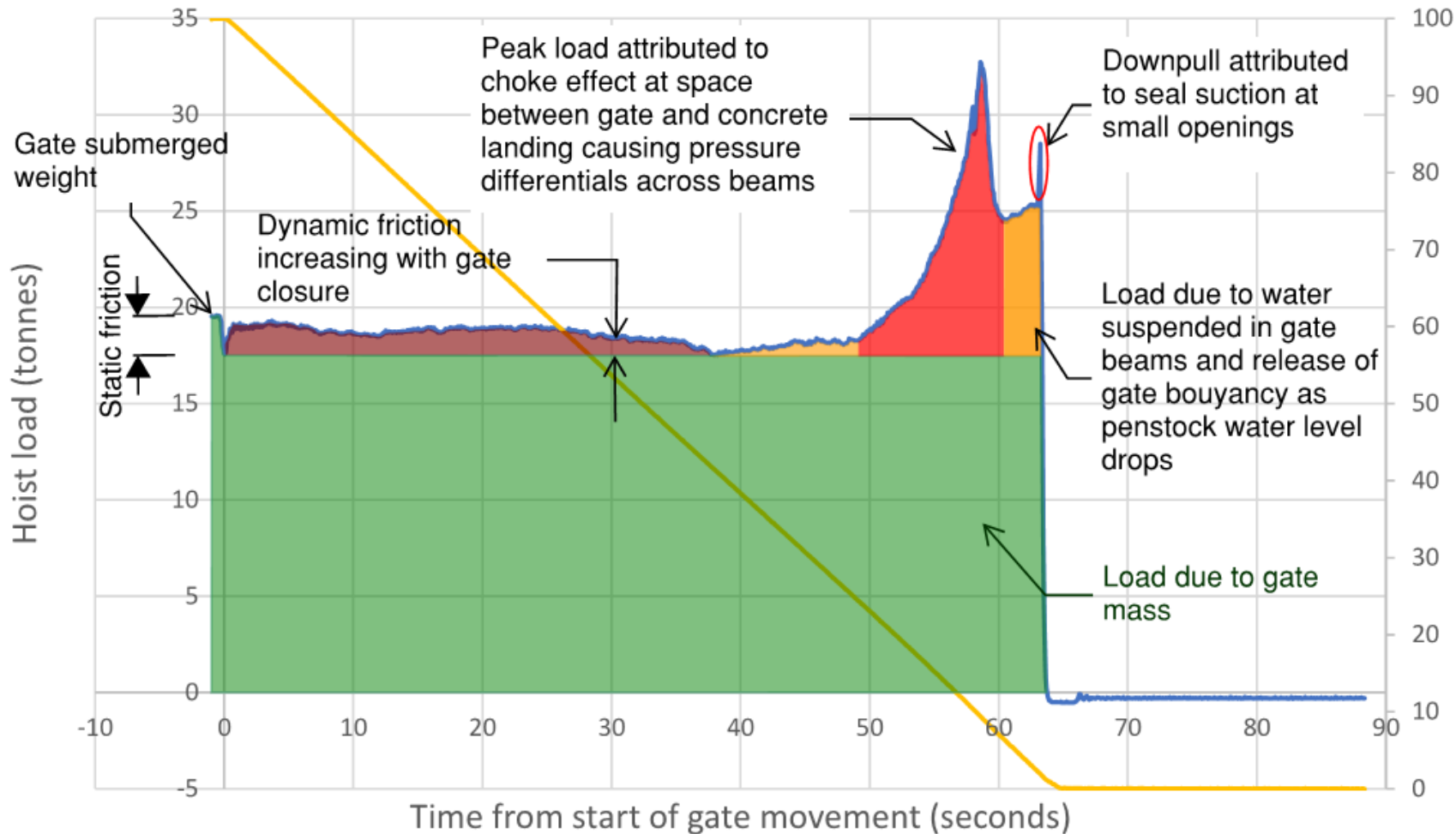
8 March 2023

Gate Shaft Camera Views, Data Capture and CFD Pressure Simulation



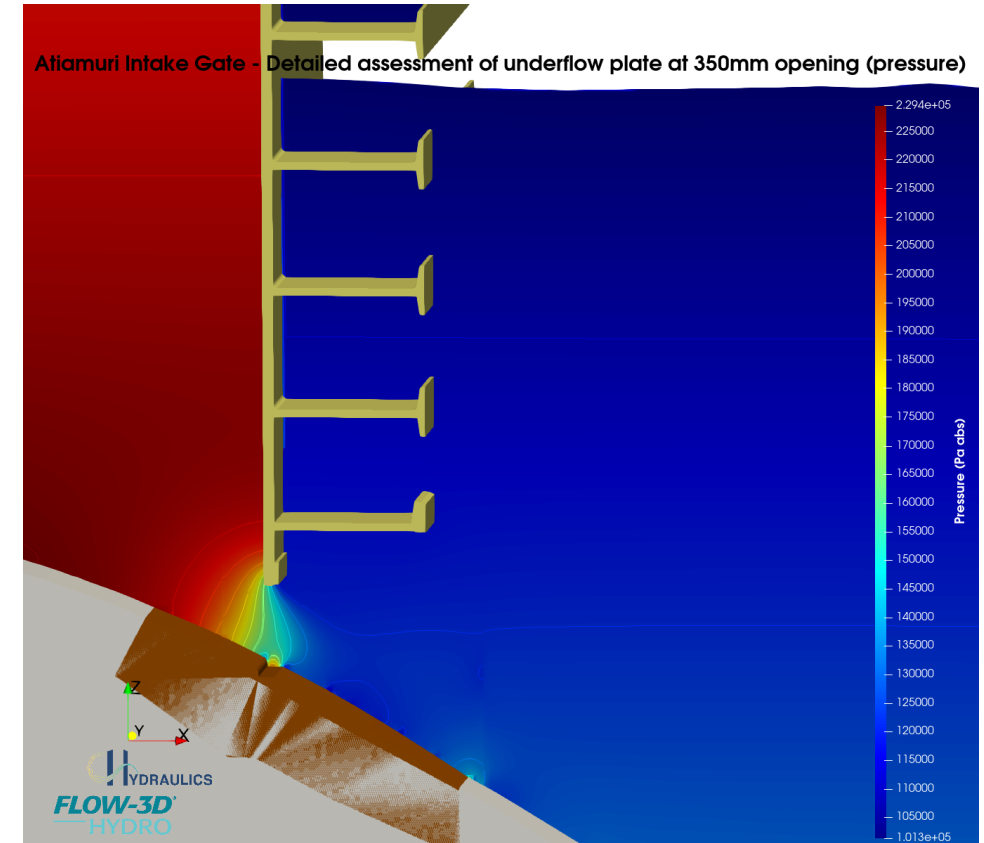
Trip loads delineated

Data: 8.5MW Trip (Site test 22, 8 March 2023)



Main takeaways...

- CFD provided insight for what could not otherwise be observed below the surface
- Load origins were not quite as originally expected
- Provided clarity for the Client on the 'why'
- Truncated domain, high-resolution CFD models can be extremely helpful



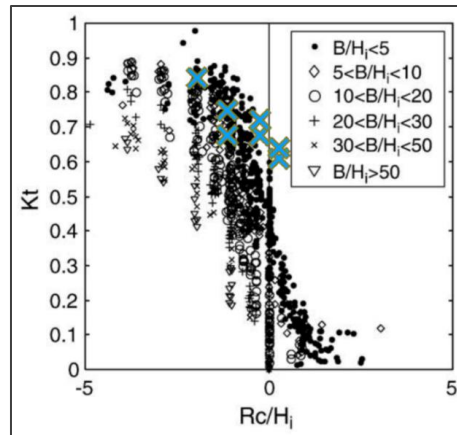
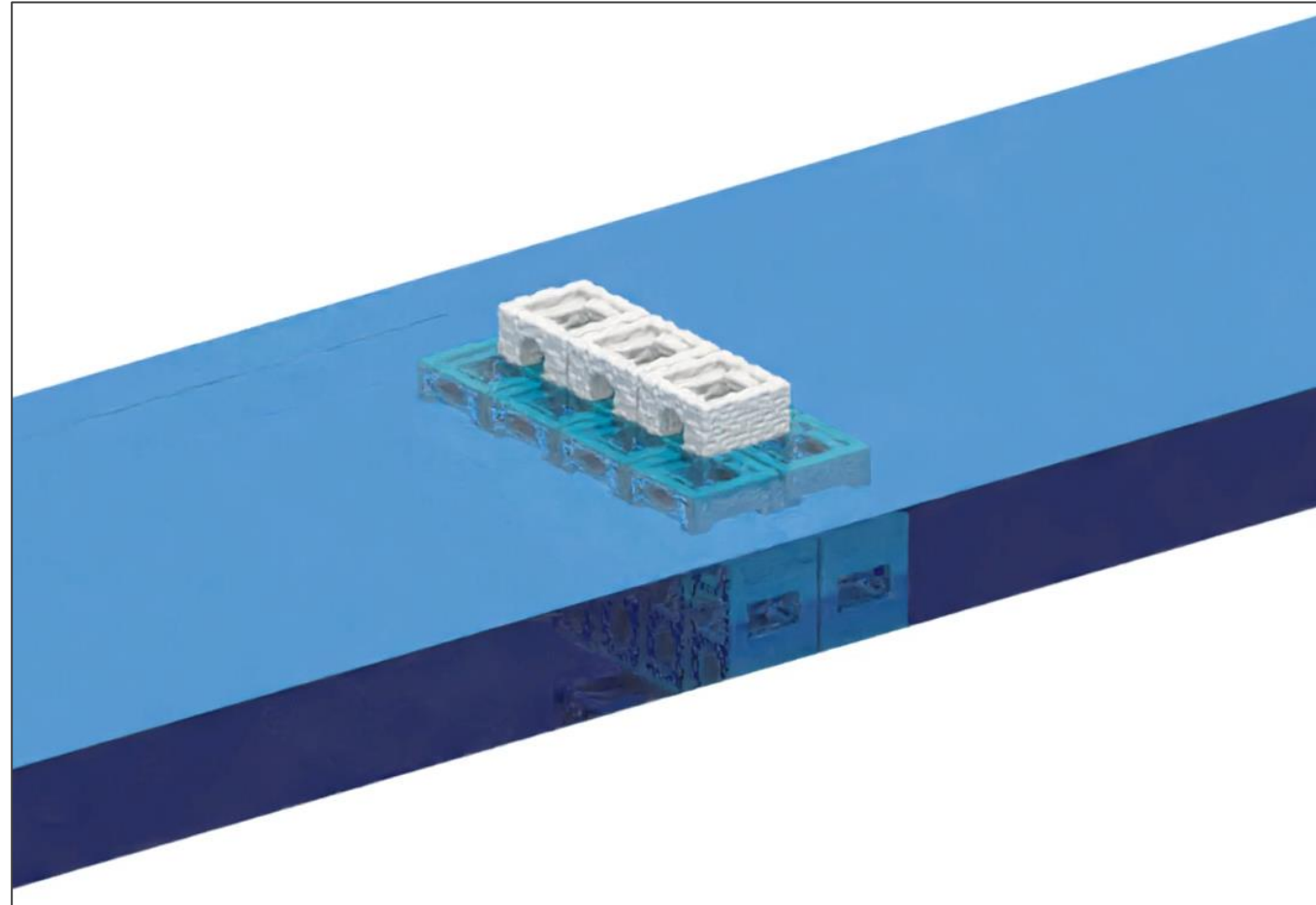
Living shoreline coastal structures

Location: Louisiana, USA

Carter, J., Fenical, S., Harter, C., & Todd, J. (2017). CFD modeling for the analysis of living shoreline structure performance. In Coastal Structures and Solutions to Coastal Disasters 2015: Resilient Coastal Communities (pp. 442-450). Reston, VA: American Society of Civil Engineers.

Living Shorelines

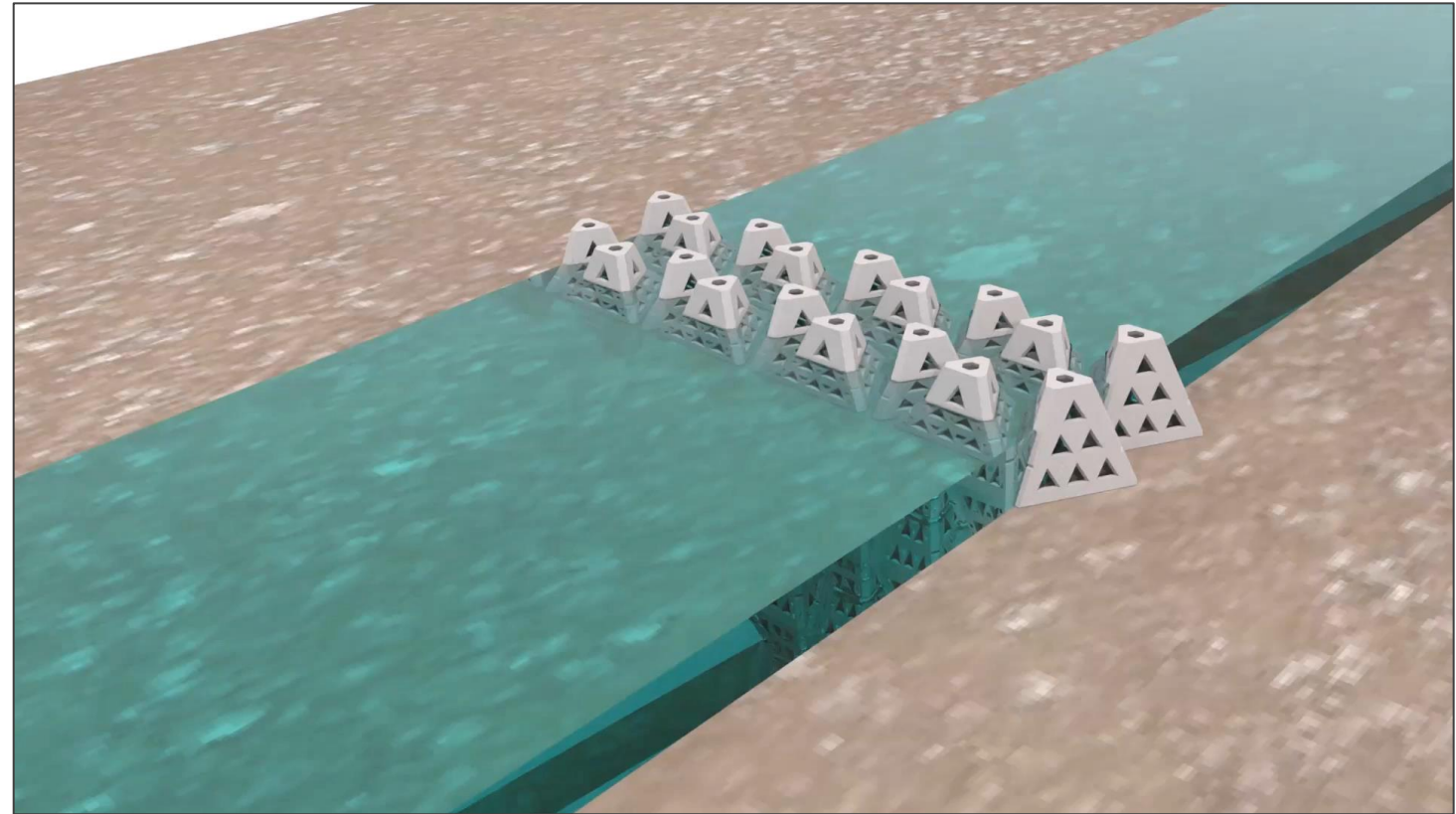
- Nature-based solutions for coastal resilience
- Wave height and shoreline retreat reduction
- Promotes bio-diversity



Transmission coefficient (K_t) from CFD (blue) vs. normalized crest height, compared against Van Der Meer plot for short crested breakwaters

Living Shorelines

- Nature-based solutions for coastal resilience
- Wave height and shoreline retreat reduction
- Promotes bio-diversity



Florida Dept. of Transportation – Skyway WADs Project

Case Study - Living Shoreline

- Problem:
 - Site in coastal Louisiana experience **10-40 ft erosion/year**
- Goal:
 - Protect 13 miles of shoreline using artificial oyster reef
 - Reduce wave transmission
 - Stimulate oyster growth for ecological benefits
- Challenges
 - 9 potential products for consideration
 - Limited information on wave reduction performance and stability
 - High cost for physical modelling



Case Study - Living Shoreline

- **FLOW-3D HYDRO** used as a “virtual laboratory”
 - Evaluate wave transmission performance for 9 products
 - Incorporate site specific wave and water level conditions
 - Cost-effectiveness analysis performed for each option

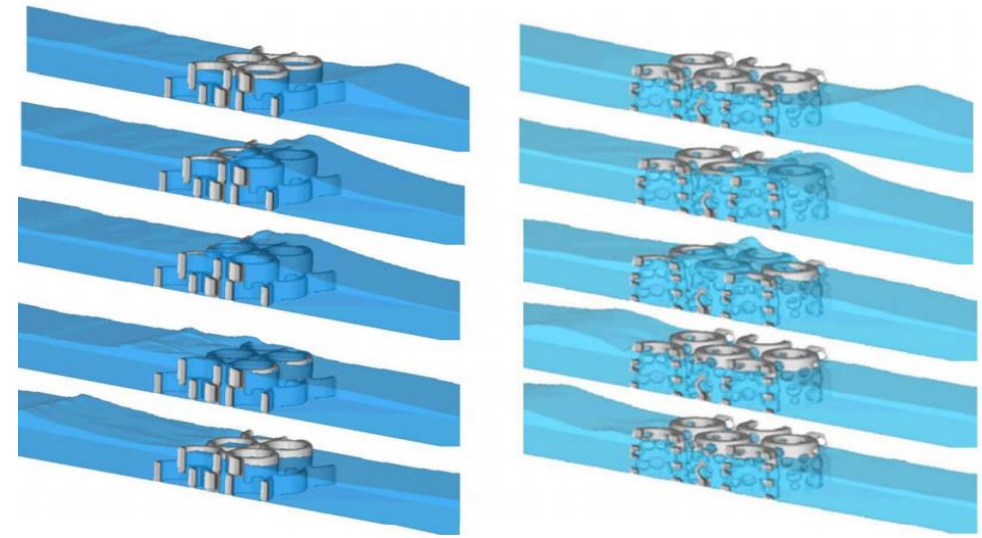
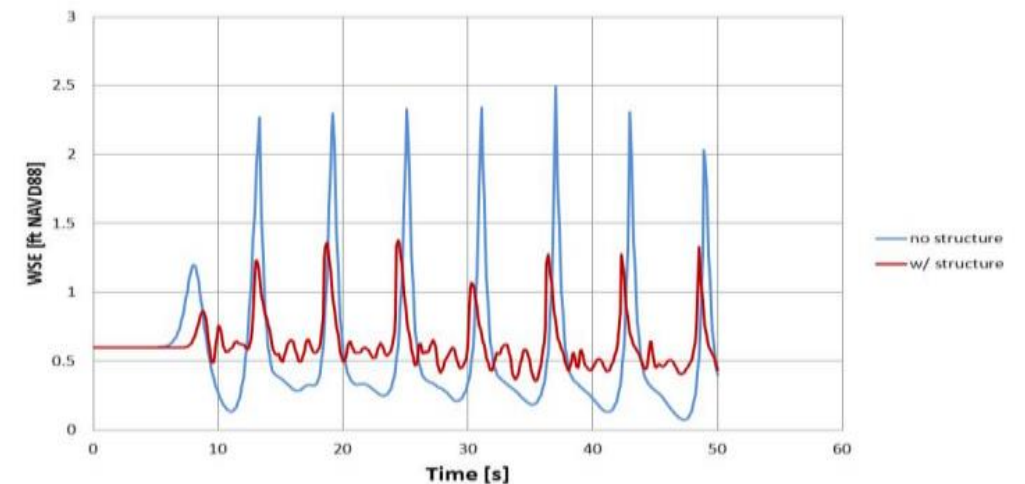


Image showing waves interacting with Oysterbreak (left) and Reef Ball (right) from **FLOW-3D**. Source: Carter et al. 2015



Case Study - Living Shoreline

- Results (state monitored):
 - Wave height reduced by half
 - 48-52% shoreline retreat reduction
 - Modeled predictions were within 2% of monitored results (!)



Stage-discharge rating curve development

Location: New Mexico, USA

Heiner, B., Fox, B., Smithgall, K. Generating a Service Spillway Rating Using Both Physical and 3D CFD Modeling. Dam Safety, 2024, Denver, Colorado



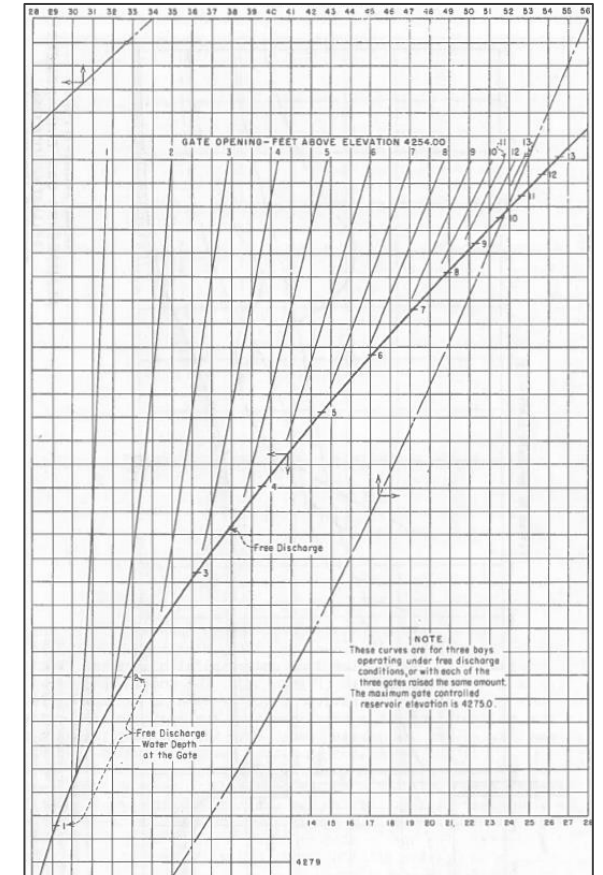
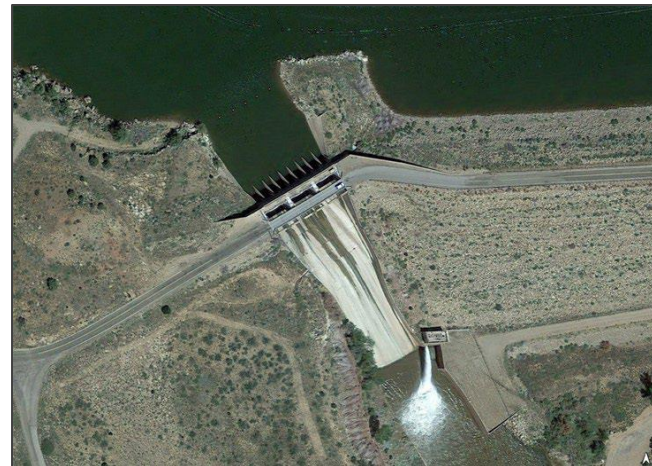
Agriculture Research
Service



— BUREAU OF —
RECLAMATION

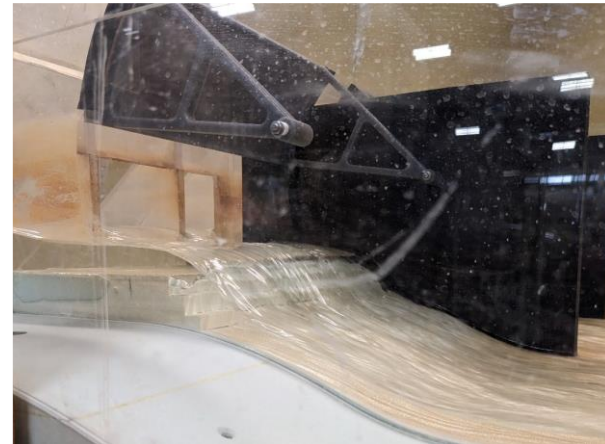
Case Study: Stage-Discharge Rating Development

- Proposed modifications to an existing service spillway
- Required update to the existing spillway rating curve

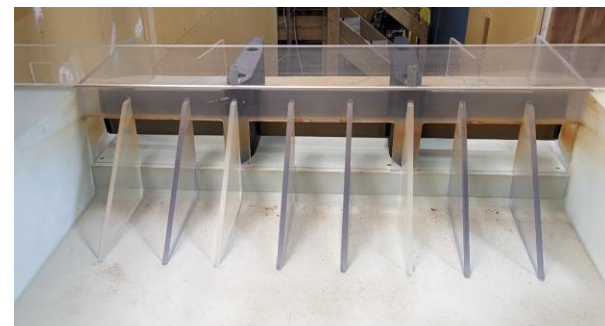


Case Study: Stage-Discharge Rating Development

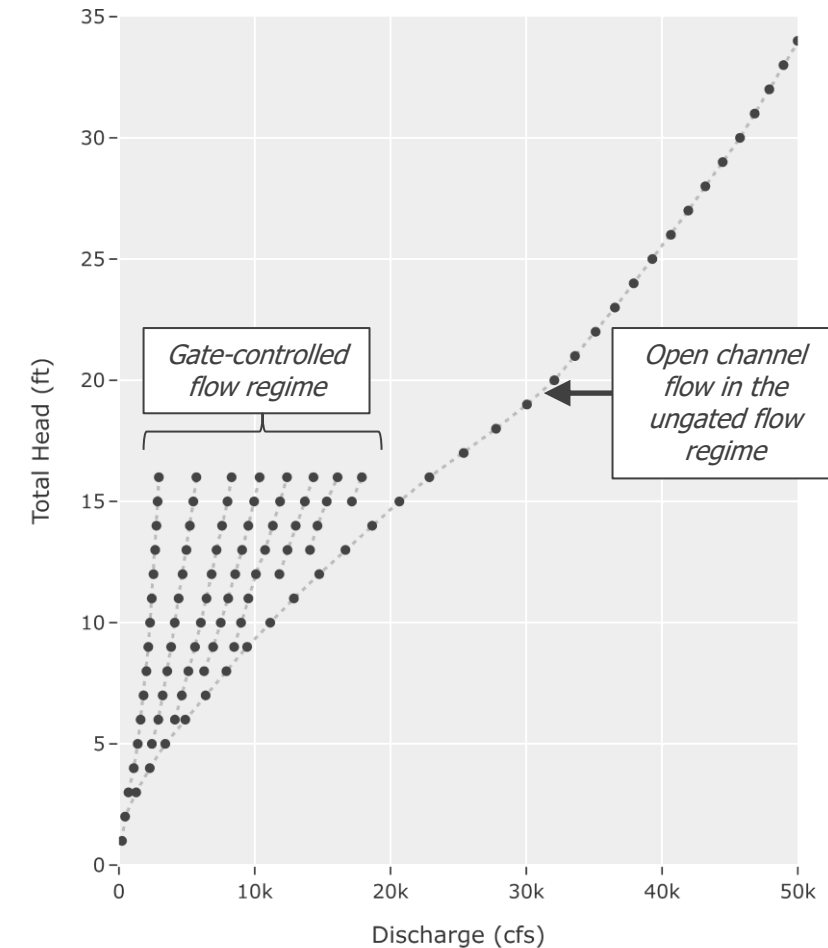
- Proposed modifications to an existing service spillway
- Required update to the existing spillway rating curve
 - Originally completed using a physical model



Open channel flow in the ungated flow regime



View looking at upstream side of model



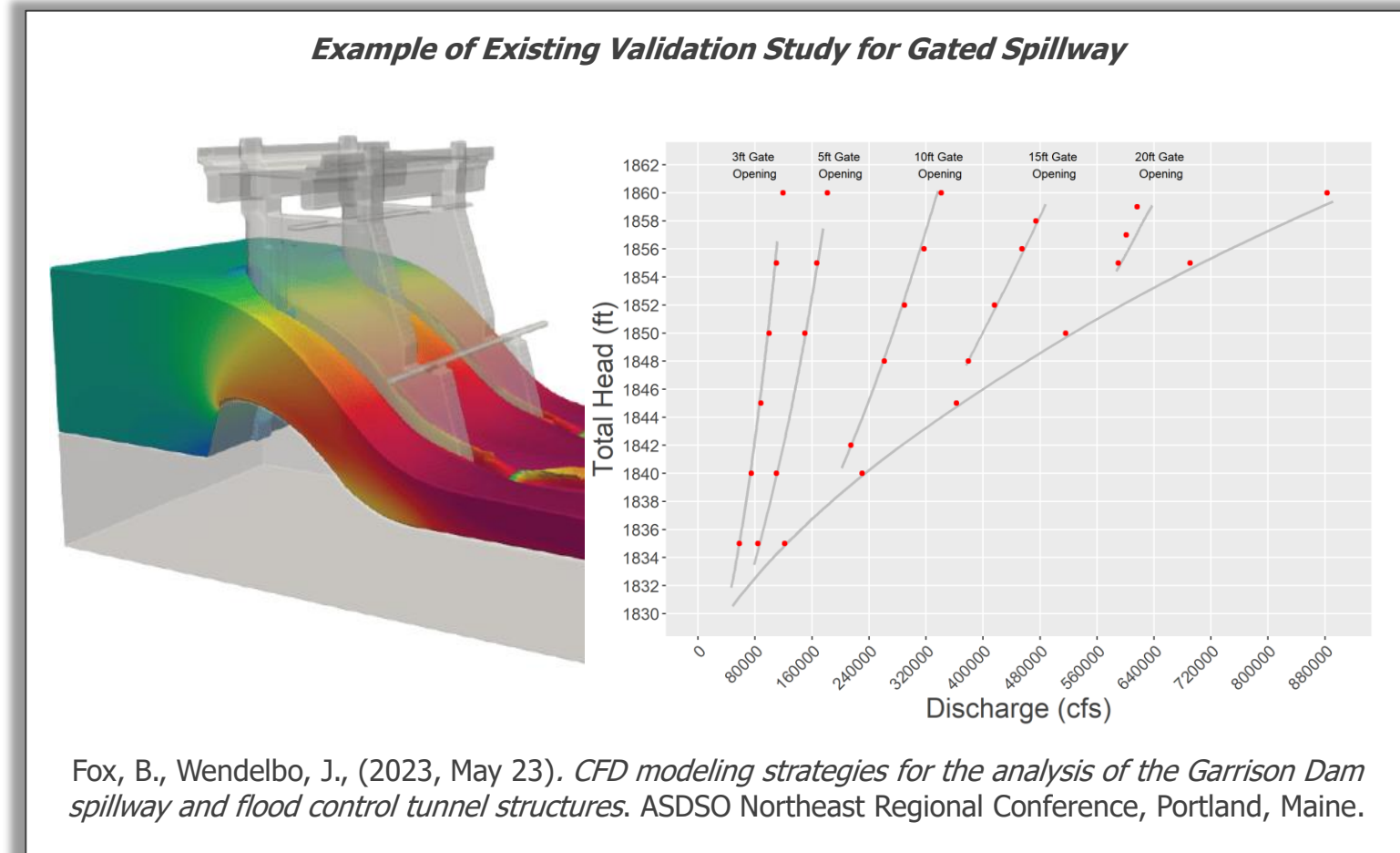
Updated spillway rating curve from physical modelling study

Question:

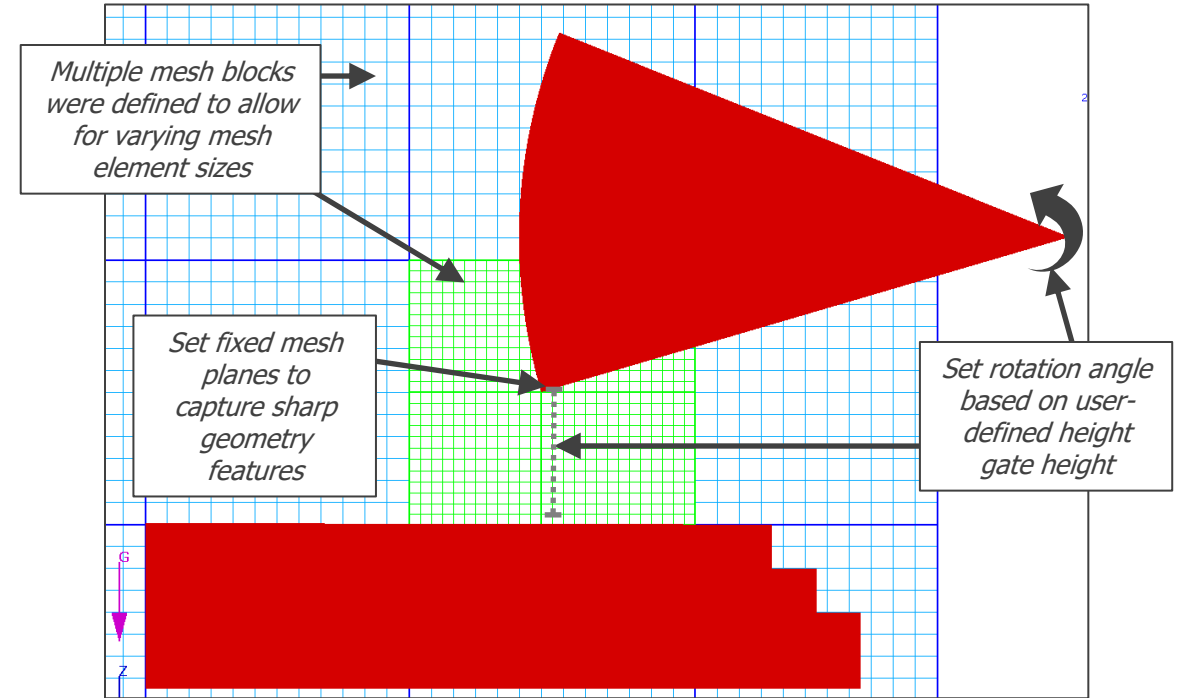
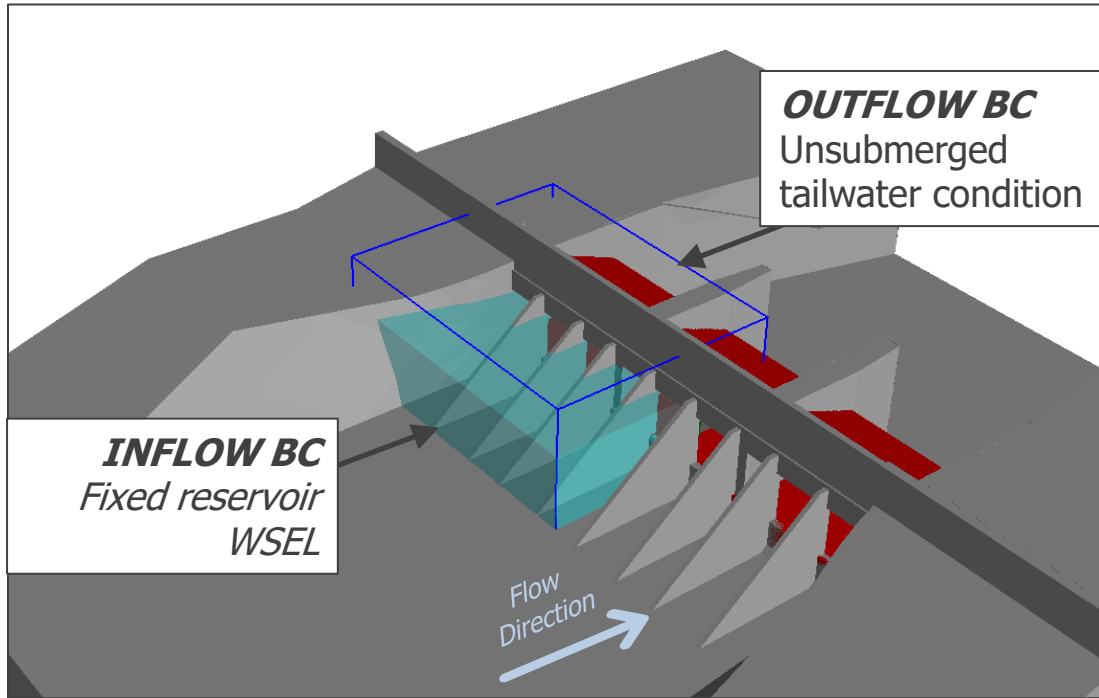
How quickly and accurately can this be completed using 3D CFD?

CFD Study

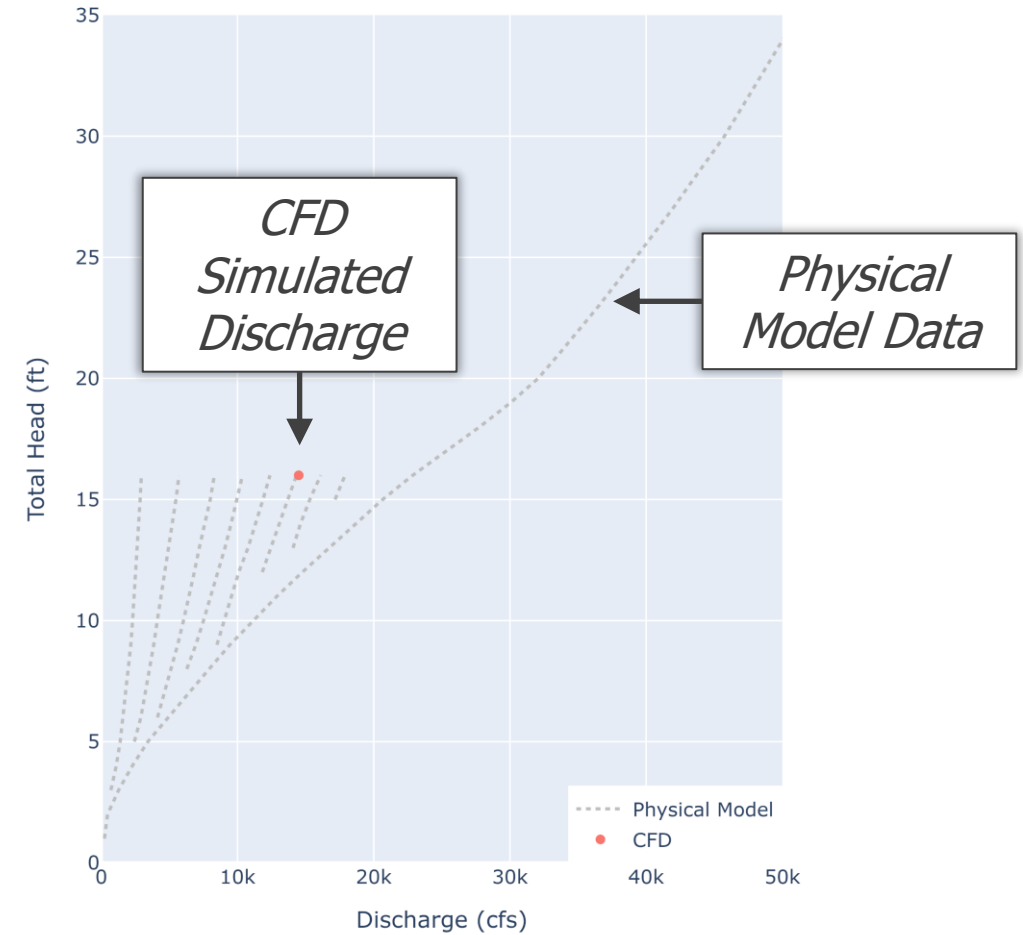
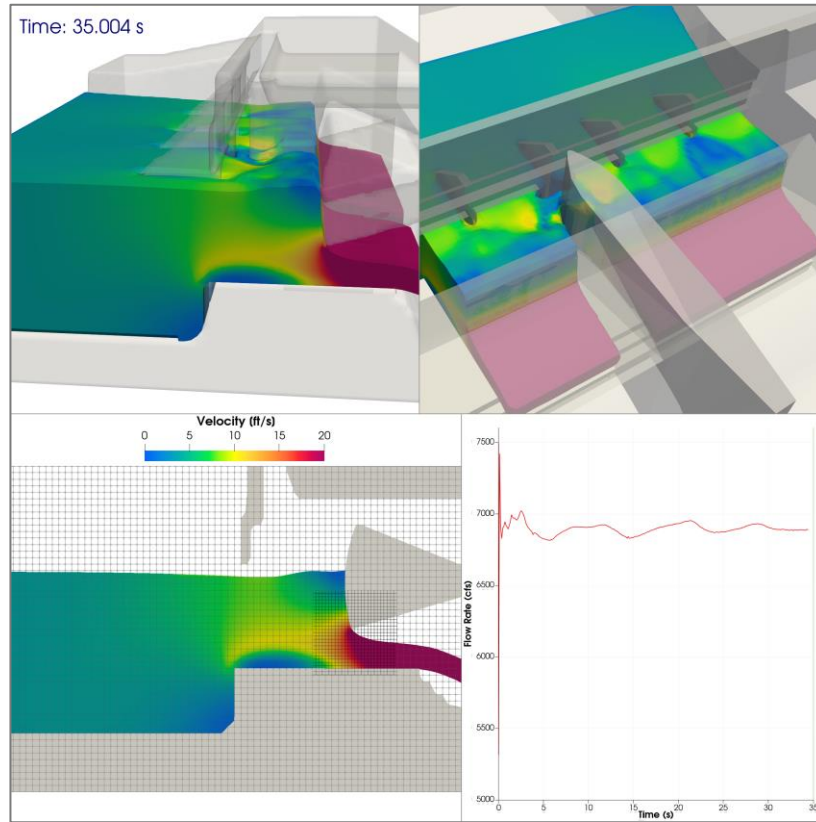
- Extensive validation for similar studies
- Provides for well-defined model setup best practices
- Basic free surface modelling
 - Key model setup steps
 1. Geometry
 2. Mesh resolution
 3. Boundary conditions



Model Setup: Basic Workflow

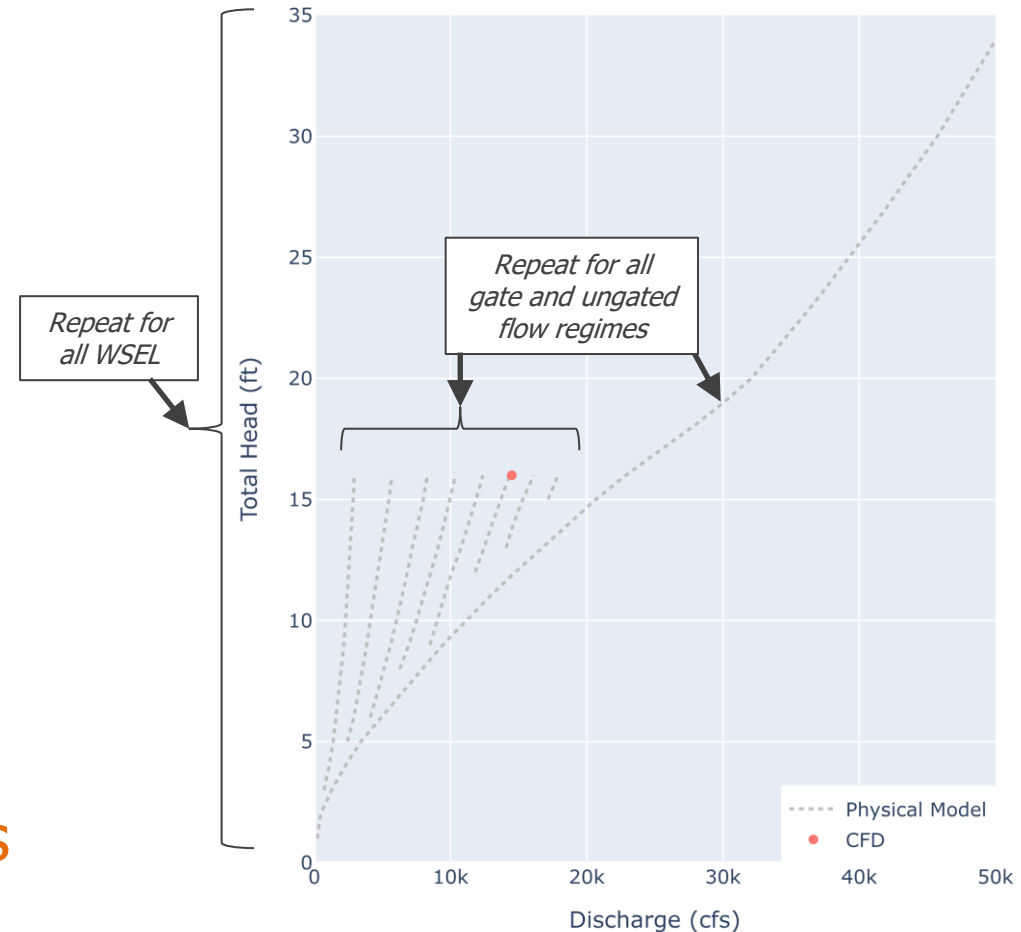


Model Setup: Basic Workflow



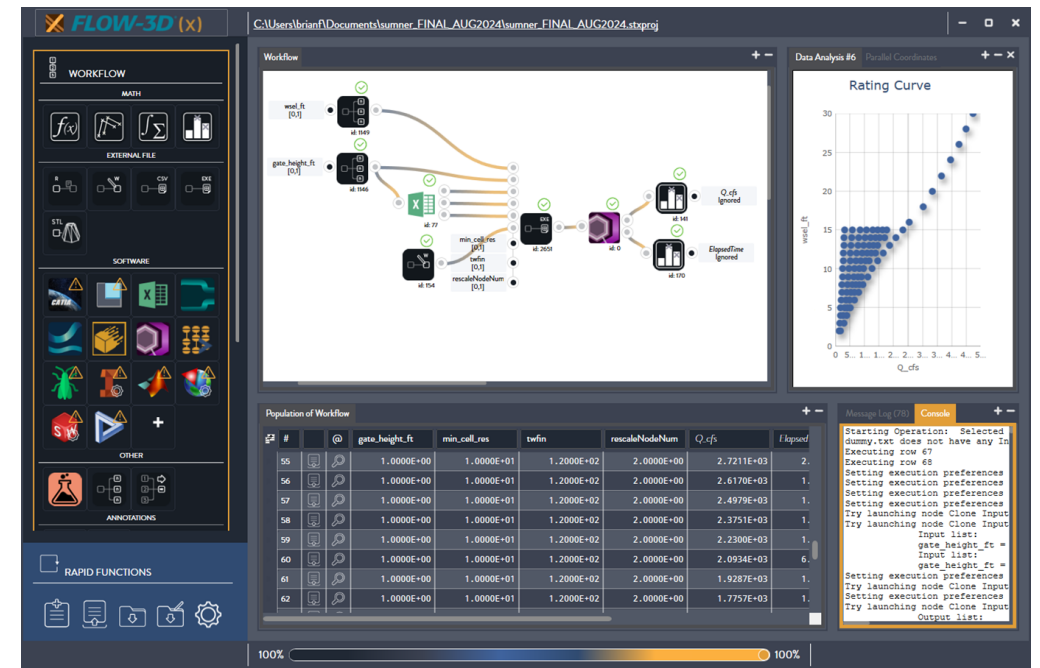
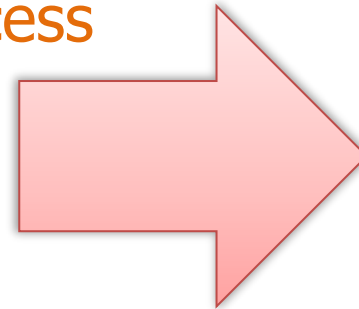
Rating Curve Generation

- Next steps:
 - Repeat:
 - Ungated and gated conditions
 - Expected range of WSEL
 - 87 total CFD simulations!
 - ~100+ hours!
- Primary project challenge:
 - Set up, run, and post-process 87 individual simulations
 - Compute time



Rating Curve Generation

- Next steps:
 - Repeat:
 - Ungated and gated conditions
 - Expected range of WSEL
 - 87 total CFD simulations!
 - ~100+ hours!
- Primary project challenge:
 - Set up, run, and post-process 87 individual simulations
 - Compute time



Workflow Automation with FLOW-3D (x)!

Workflow Automation with FLOW-3D (x)

Define primary input variables:

- **WSEL**
- **Gate height**

Import FLOW-3D HYDRO setup

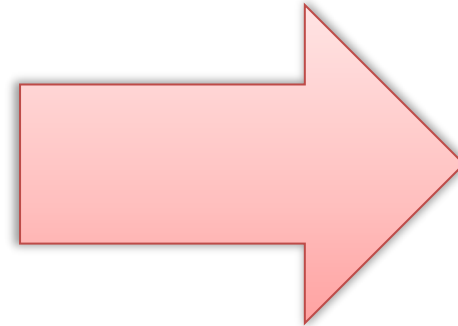
The screenshot displays the FLOW-3D (x) software interface. The main window shows a workflow graph with nodes for input variables (wsel_ft [0,1] id: 1149, gate_height_ft [0,1] id: 1146), a central node (id: 2651), and output nodes (Q_cfs Ignored id: 141, ElapsedTime Ignored id: 170). A data analysis window titled 'Data Analysis #6 Parallel Coordinates' shows a 'Rating Curve' plot of wsel_ft vs Q_cfs. A console window at the bottom right shows the execution log, including the message: 'Starting Operation: Selected dummy.txt does not have any In'. The 'Population of Workflow' table is also visible.

#	@	gate_height_ft	min_cell_res	twfin	rescaleNodeNum	Q_cfs	Elapsed
55		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	2.7211E+03	2.
56		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	2.6170E+03	1.
57		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	2.4979E+03	1.
58		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	2.3751E+03	1.
59		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	2.2300E+03	1.
60		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	2.0934E+03	6.
61		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	1.9287E+03	1.
62		1.0000E+00	1.0000E+01	1.2000E+02	2.0000E+00	1.7757E+03	1.

Compute Time

Desktop PC

*18-core Intel i9-10980XE
CPU @ 3.00GHz*



*44-core and 88-core Intel Xeon
Platinum 8168 @ 2.7 GHz*

Reduce single simulation run time

- Avg simulation runtime: **4.7 hours** → **1.3 hours**

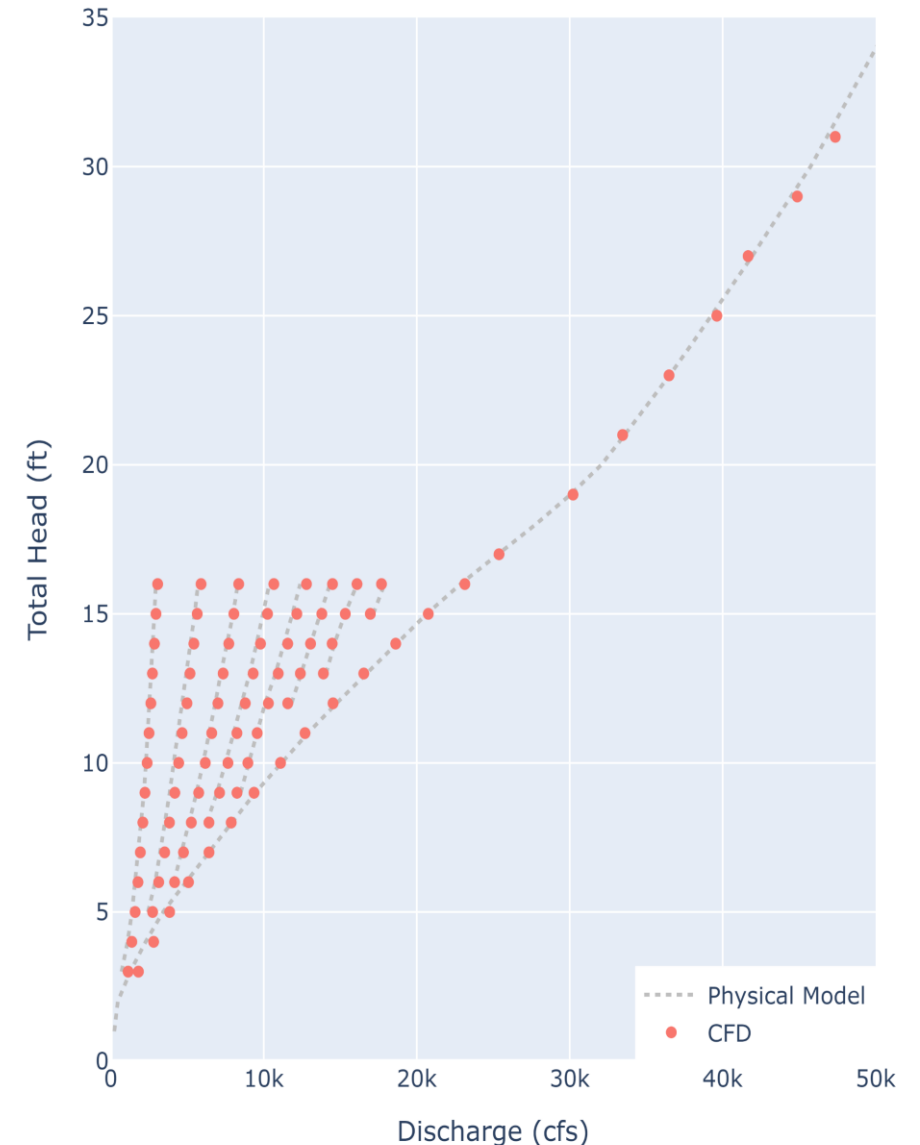
Run all 87 simulations in parallel!

- Total project runtime: **17 days** → **7 hours**

***Directly launch on computing resources
through FLOW-3D (x)***

Summary

- Agreement between CFD and physical model
 - less than 3% difference!
- **FLOW-3D (x)**
 - Saves time, reduces mistakes, builds confidence
 - 85% labor time/cost reduction
 - 31 days → 4 days
- Cloud/HPC computing:
 - Average simulation speed up
 - 4.7 hours → 1.3 hours
 - Project speed up
 - 17 days → 7 hours
 - Affordable cloud computing costs → \$730 USD
- Exciting opportunities for automation / optimization



Getting Started with

FLOW-3D[®] HYDRO



Australian Water School On-Demand Training

Self-reflection...

How did I go from:

A graduate with no hydraulic modelling experience

A somewhat proficient 1D/2D/3D hydraulic modeller



How did I learn 1D/2D/3D hydraulic modelling tools?

- Review tutorials, examples, existing models
- Read the software manuals
- Technical support from software providers
- Training workshops
- Access to great mentors
- Review technical papers, conference proceedings and academic research
 - “Has someone done this before?”
- Try pushing buttons and adjusting dials...
 - “What does this do?”
 - “Do I really need that input?”

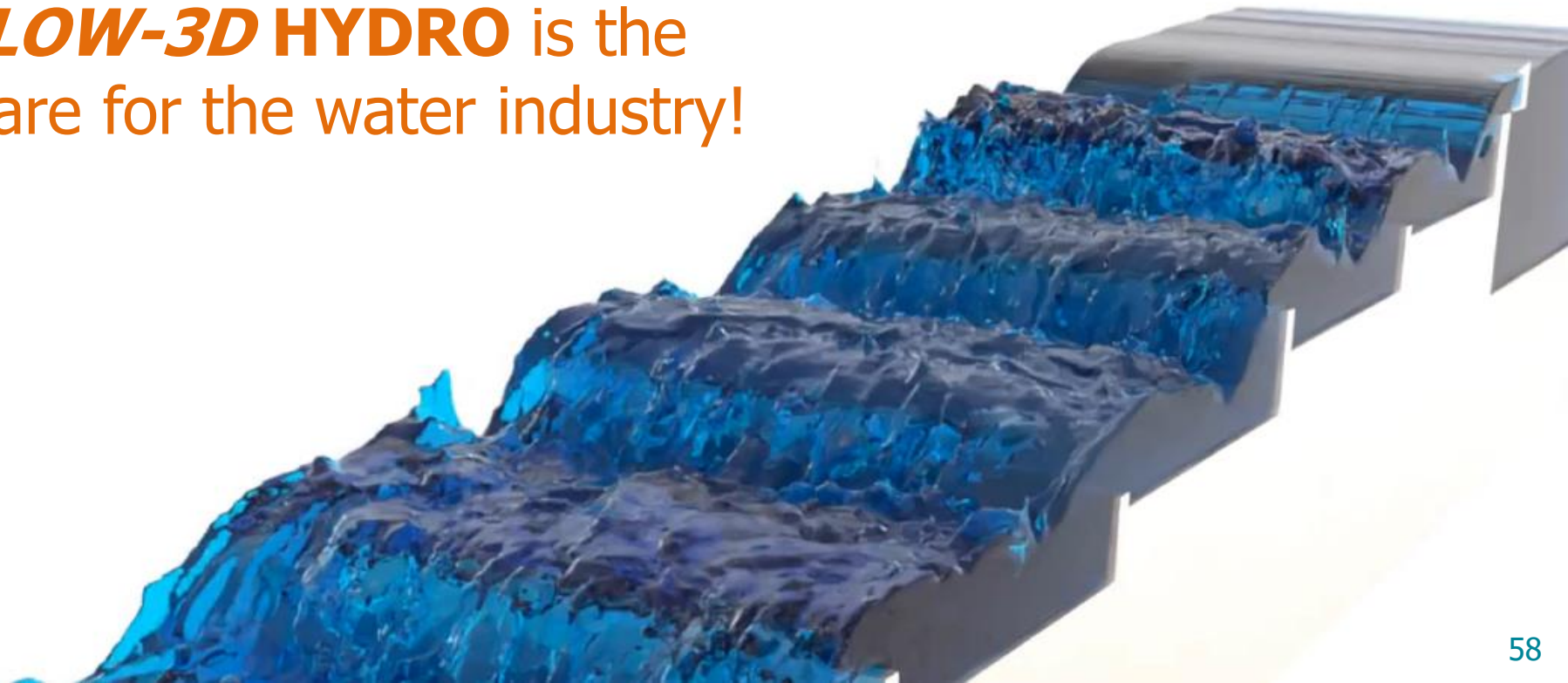
The AWS on-demand training incorporates these approaches

The most valuable learning came from trying to solve a real problem on a real project.

Learn CFD through flexible, hands-on training

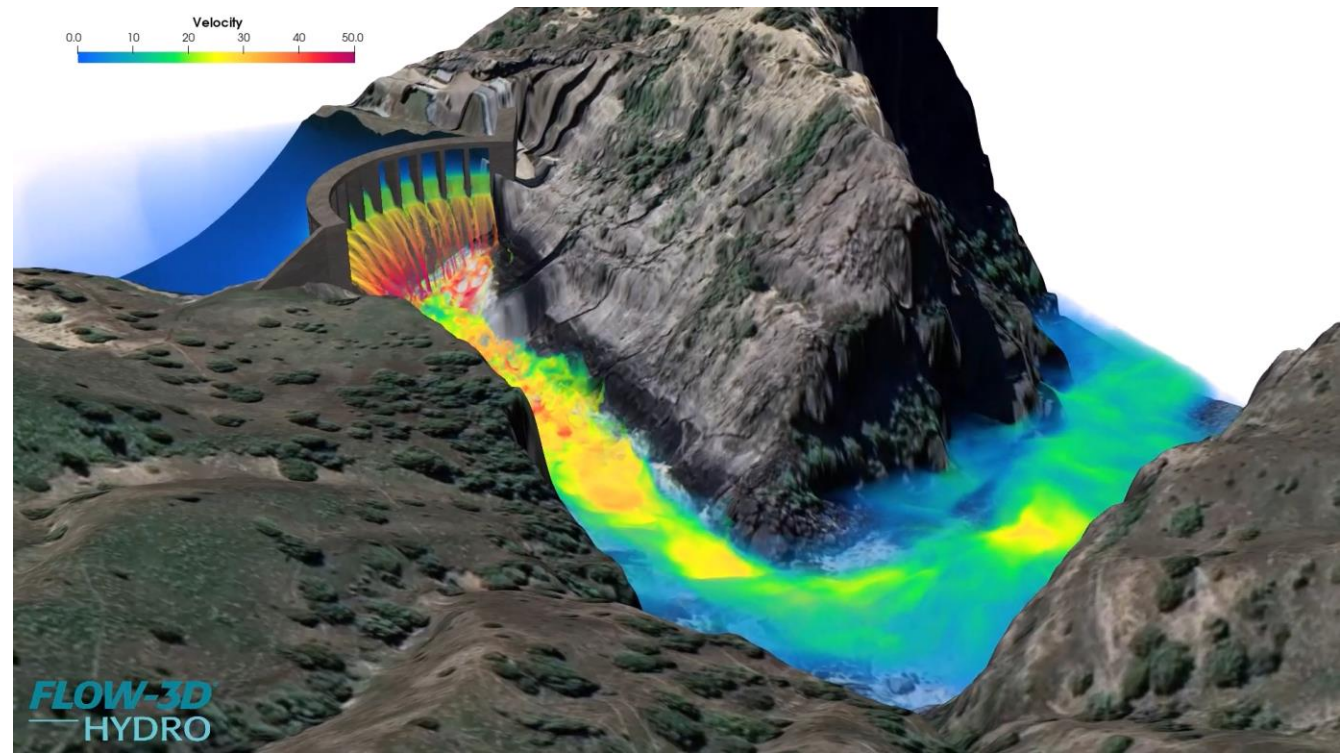
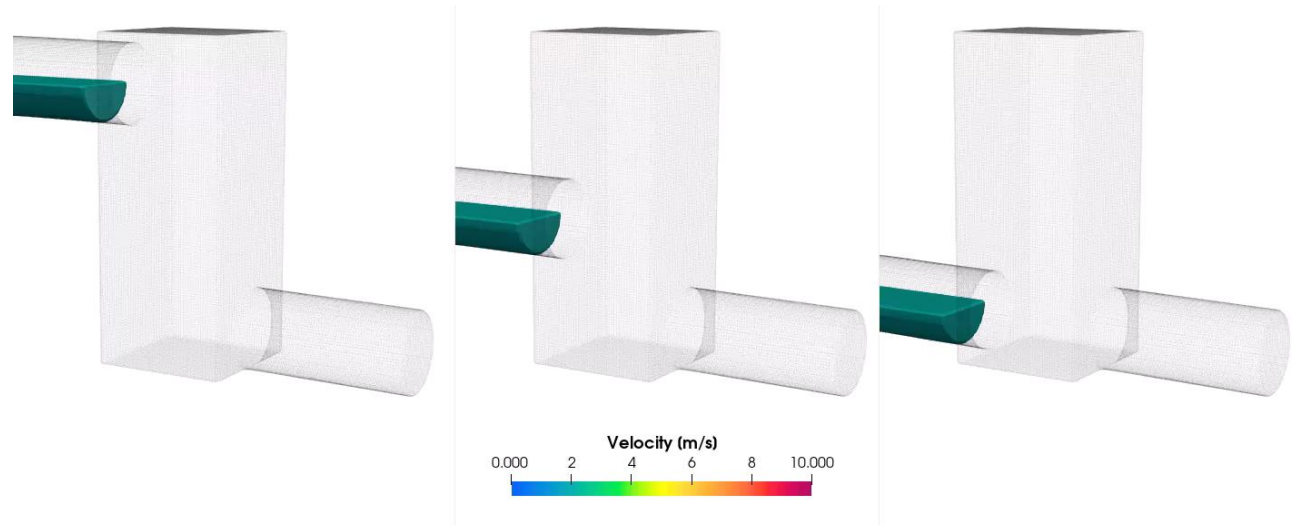
- Gain confidence by repeating the **FLOW-3D HYDRO** workflow
- Choose the exercises that interest you

Experience why **FLOW-3D HYDRO** is the leading CFD software for the water industry!



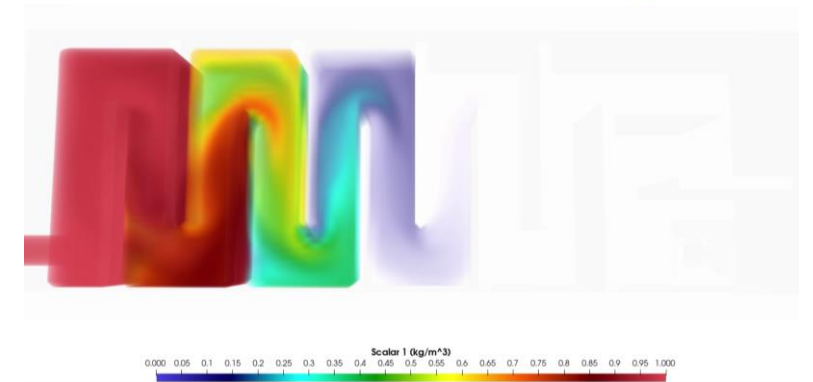
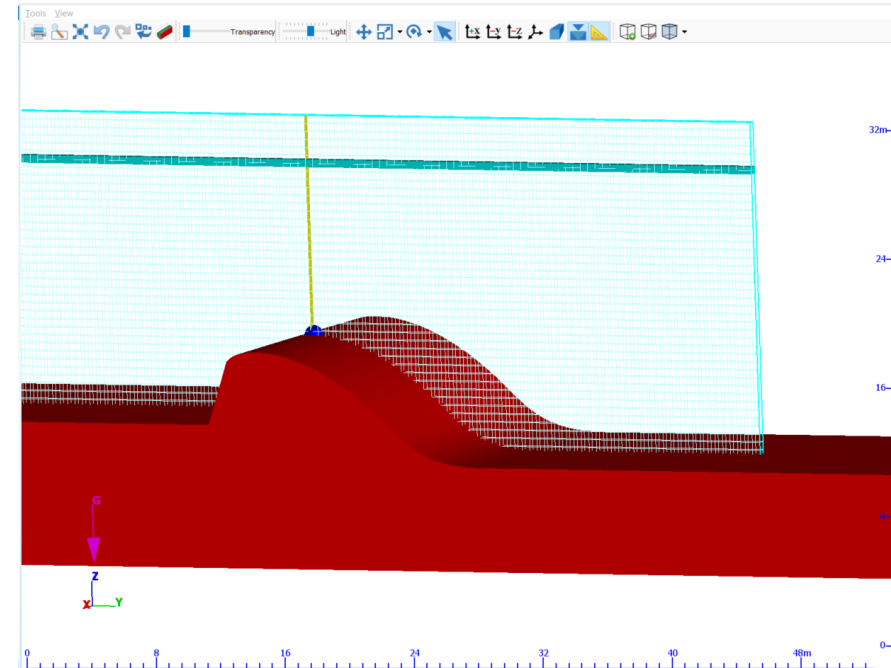
FLOW-3D[®] HYDRO

Intuitive user interface

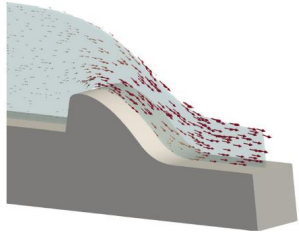


Two-part course structure

- Part 1: Basic Workflow Introduction
 - Start with a simple 2D slice of an ogee weir
 - Expand the ogee weir model to a 3D domain
- Part 2: Application-specific Exercises
 - A total of 7 exercises are available
 - As of November 2024; plans to add more throughout the upcoming year
 - Only need to complete a portion of these exercises to receive a completion certificate



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



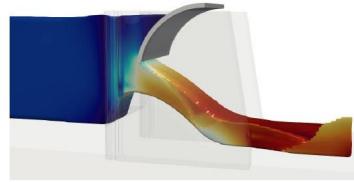
Exercise Guide 1A: Ogee Weir (2D Slice)

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



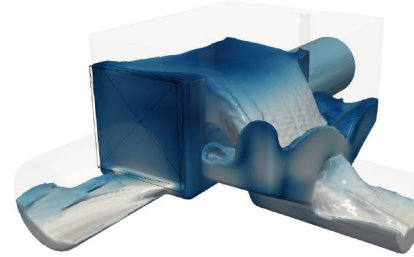
Exercise Guide 1B: Ogee Weir (3D)

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



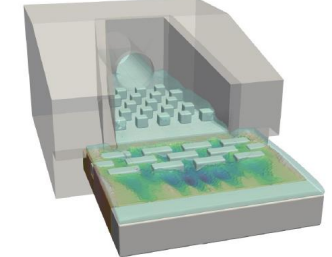
Exercise Guide 2A: Diversion Structure

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 04 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



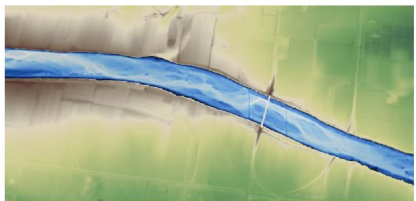
Exercise Guide 2B: Culvert Erosion

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



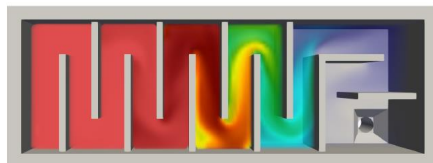
Exercise Guide 2C: Bridge Hydraulics (2D/3D)

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 15 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



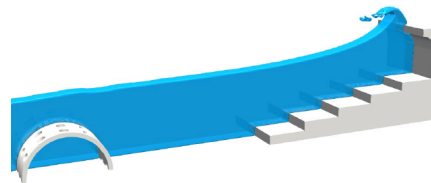
Exercise Guide 2D: Contact Tank

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



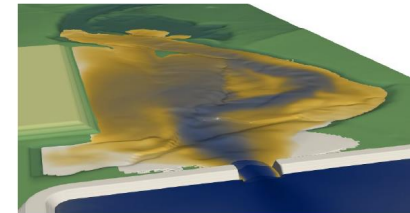
Exercise Guide 2E: Wave Overtopping

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



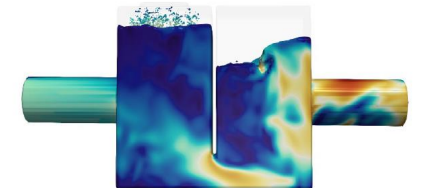
Exercise Guide 2F: Tailings Dam Breach

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 16 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



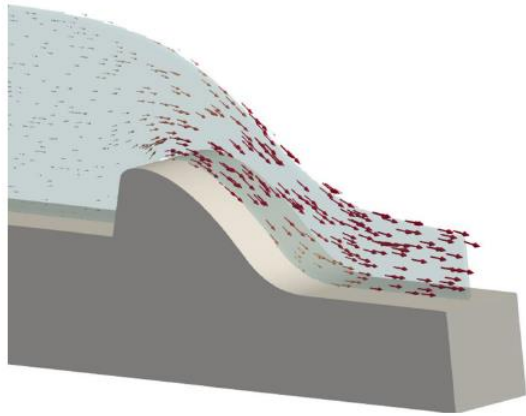
Exercise Guide 2G: Stormwater Pit

Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 23 October 2024



Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



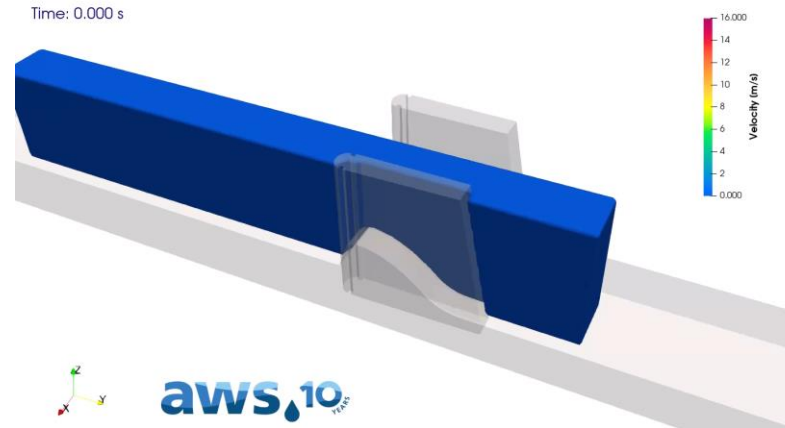
Exercise Guide 1A: Ogee Weir (2D Slice)

Created in *FLOW-3D HYDRO* 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024

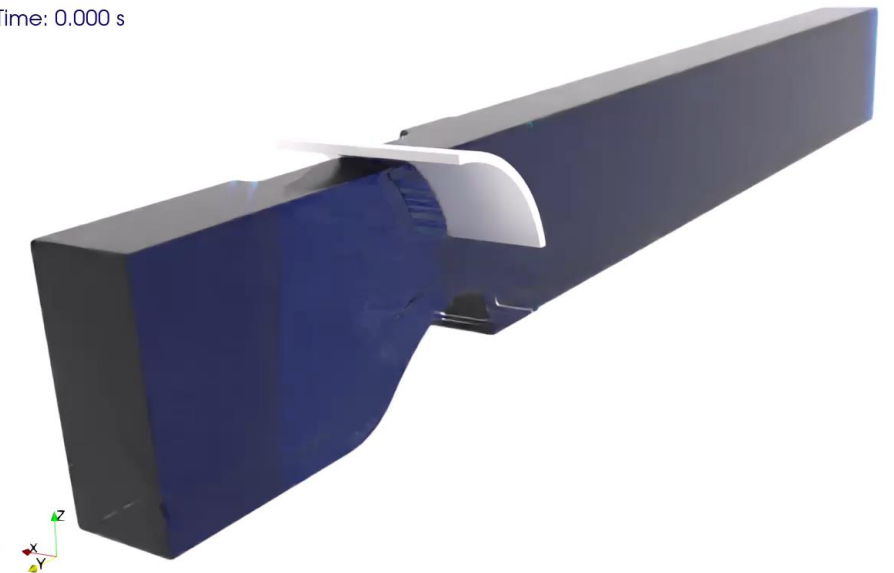


Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

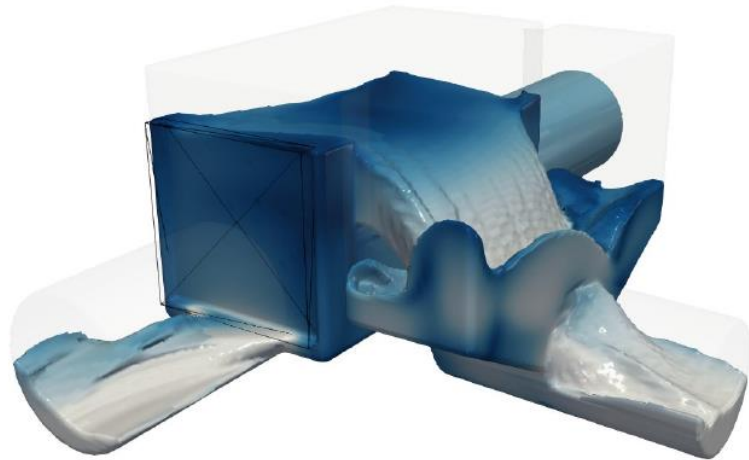
- Ogee Weir (2D slice, then 3D)
 - Basic introduction to workflow



Time: 0.000 s



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



Exercise Guide 2A: Diversion Structure

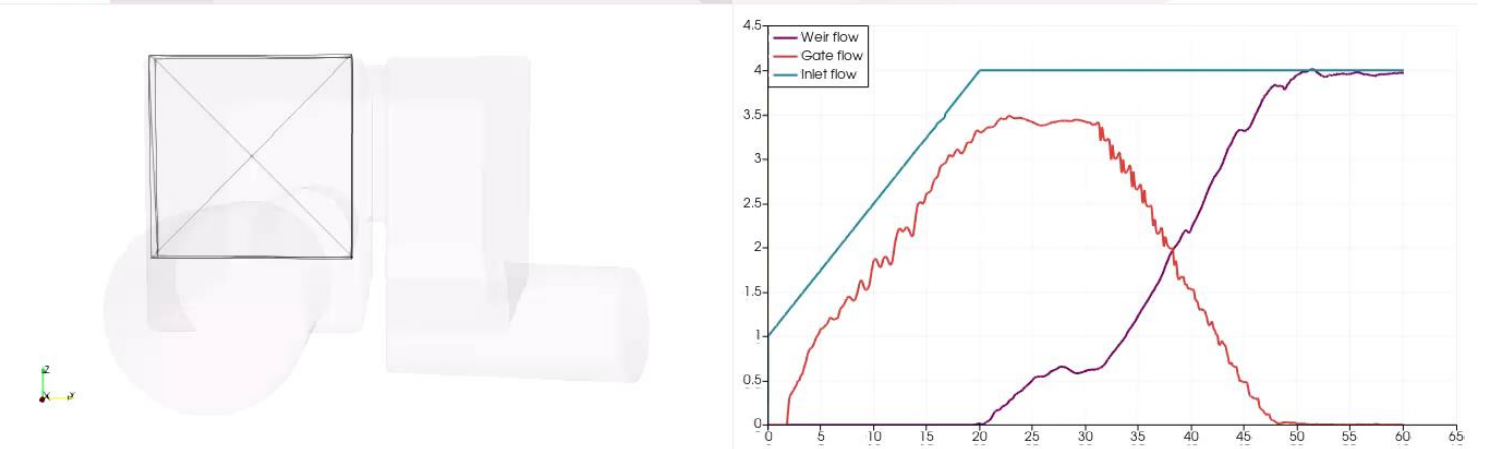
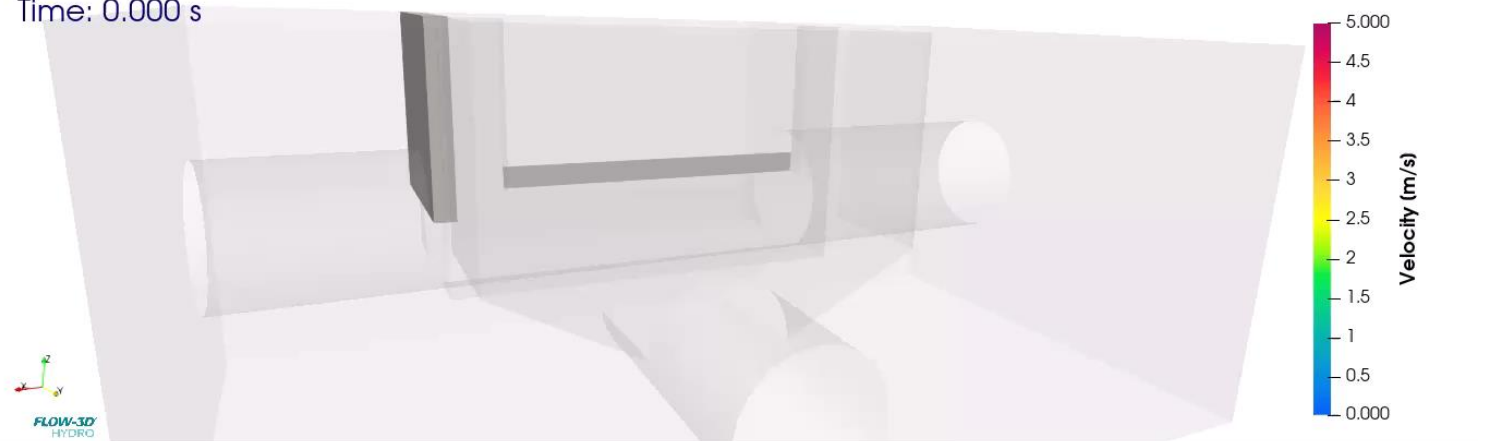
Created in *FLOW-3D HYDRO* 2024R1, Updated: 04 October 2024



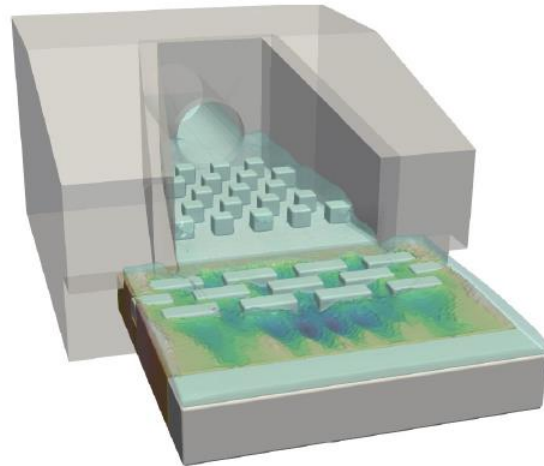
Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

- Diversion Structure
 - Moving gate, flux surfaces

Time: 0.000 s



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



Exercise Guide 2B: Culvert Erosion

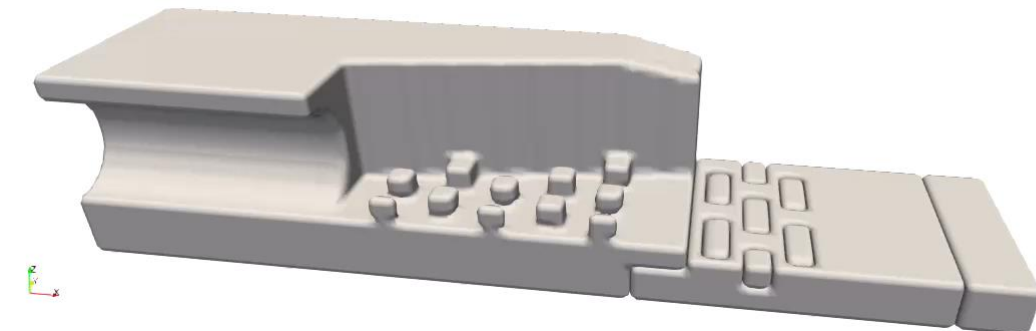
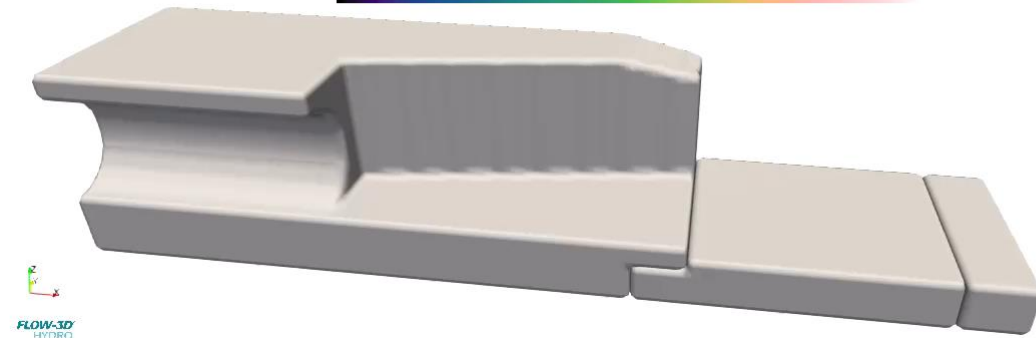
Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024



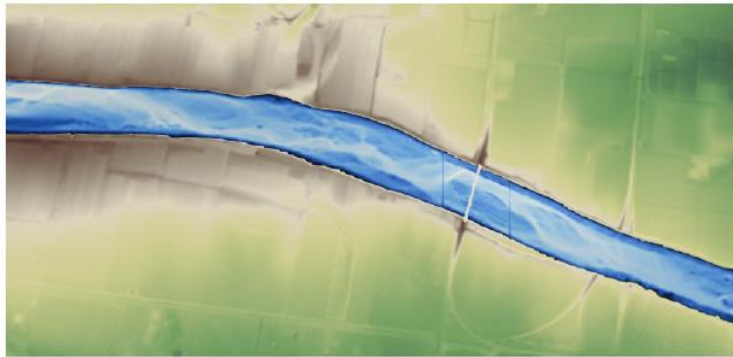
Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

- Culvert Erosion
 - Sediment transport, geometry edits

Time: 0.000 s



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



Exercise Guide 2C: Bridge Hydraulics (2D/3D)

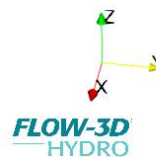
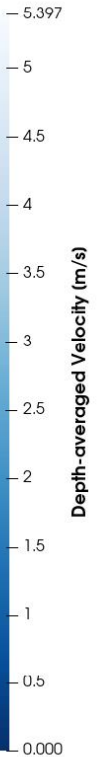
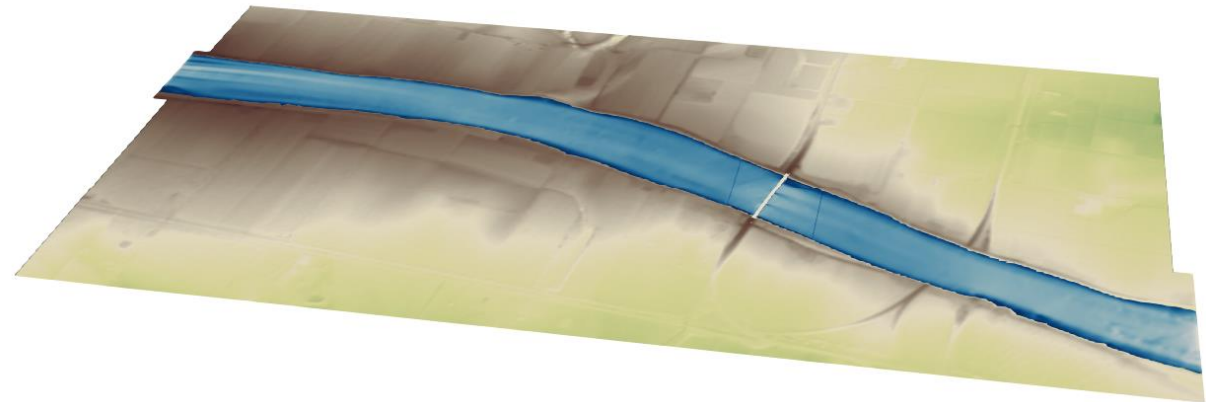
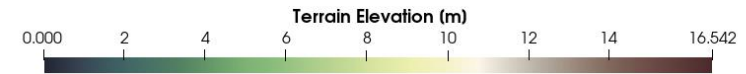
Created in FLOW-3D HYDRO 2024R1, Updated: 15 October 2024



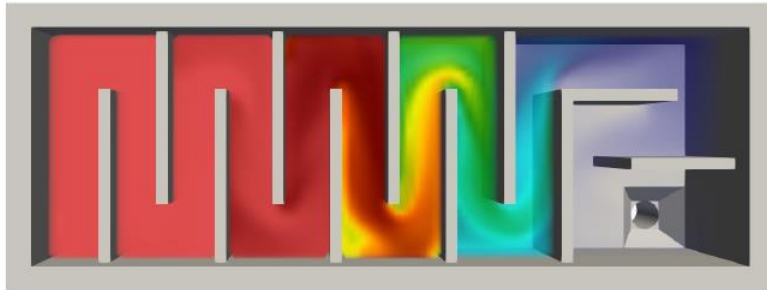
Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

- Bridge Hydraulics
 - 2D/3D mesh, conforming mesh

Time: 600.015 s



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



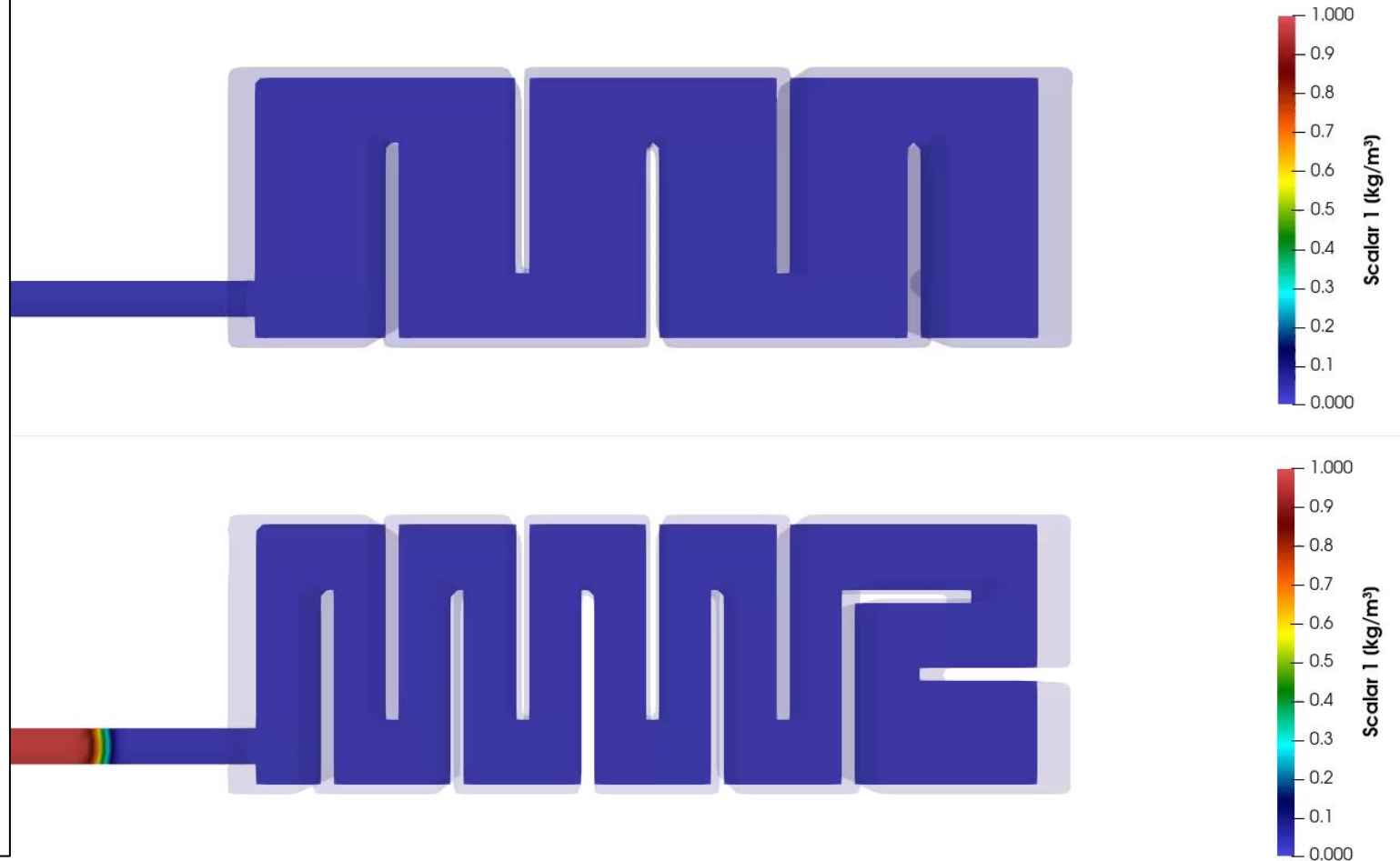
Exercise Guide 2D: Contact Tank

Created in *FLOW-3D HYDRO* 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024

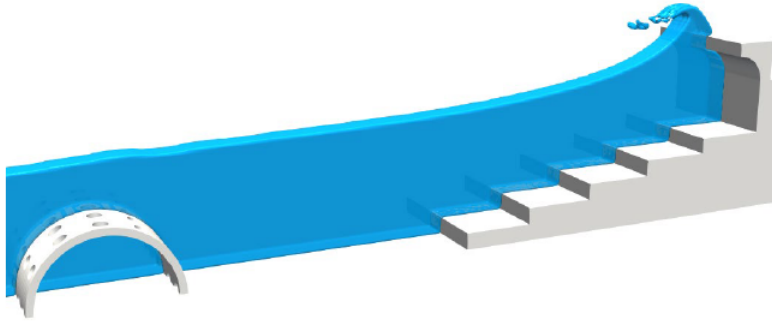


Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

- Contact Tank
 - Scalars, export data, plot multiple results



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



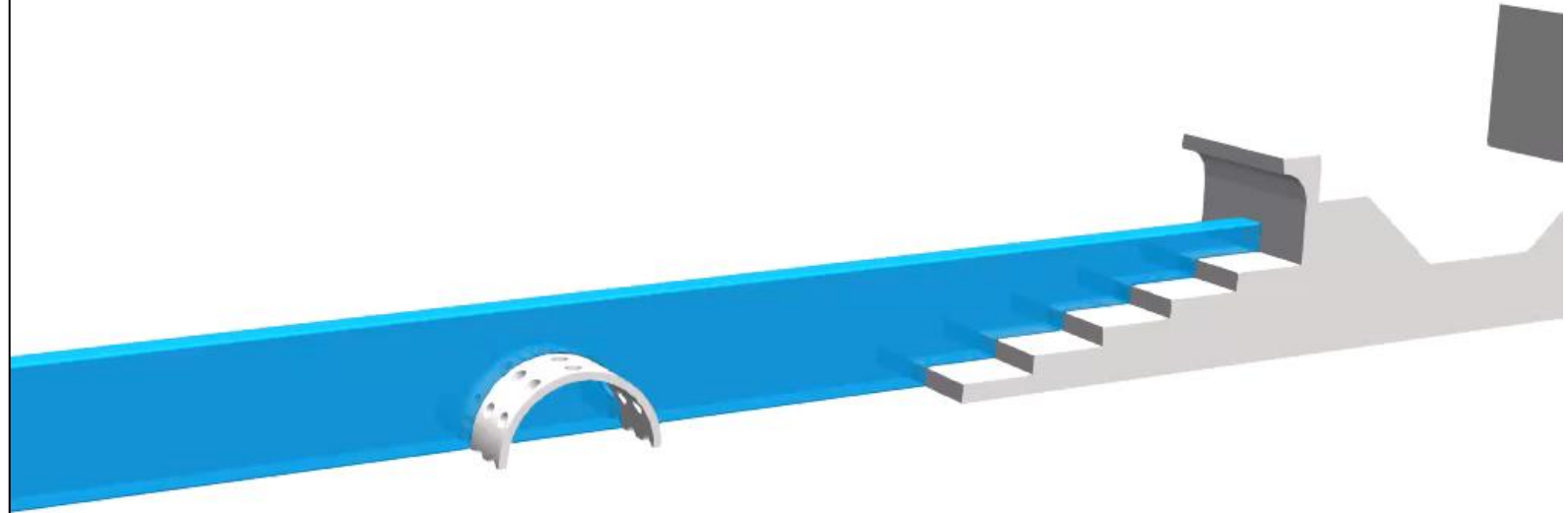
Exercise Guide 2E: Wave Overtopping

Created in *FLOW-3D HYDRO* 2024R1, Updated: 28 October 2024

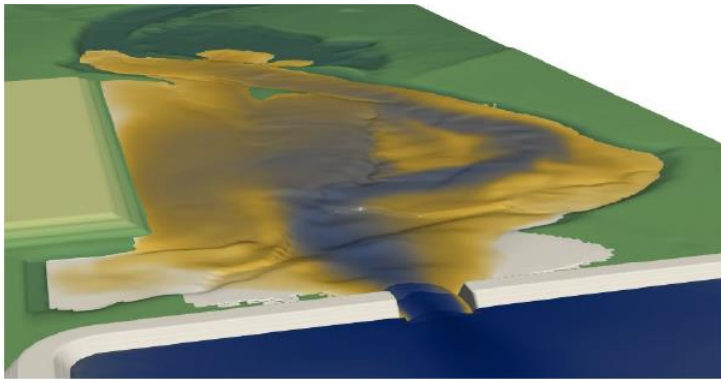


Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

- Wave Overtopping
 - Wave boundary, sample volume



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



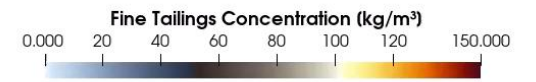
Exercise Guide 2F: Tailings Dam Breach

Created in *FLOW-3D HYDRO* 2024R1, Updated: 16 October 2024

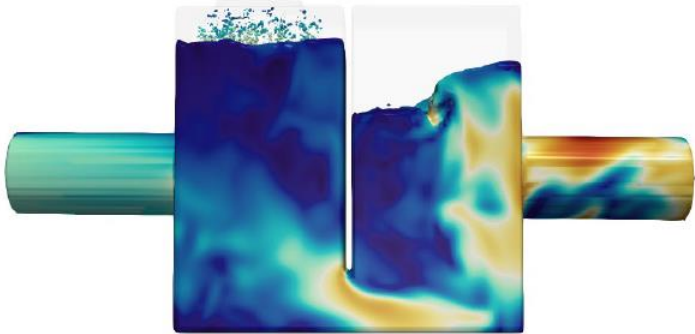


Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

- Tailings Dam Breach
 - Multi-layer non-Newtonian fluid (with water) on a 2D/3D mesh



FLOW-3D[®] — HYDRO



Exercise Guide 2G: Stormwater Pit

Created in *FLOW-3D HYDRO* 2024R1, Updated: 23 October 2024



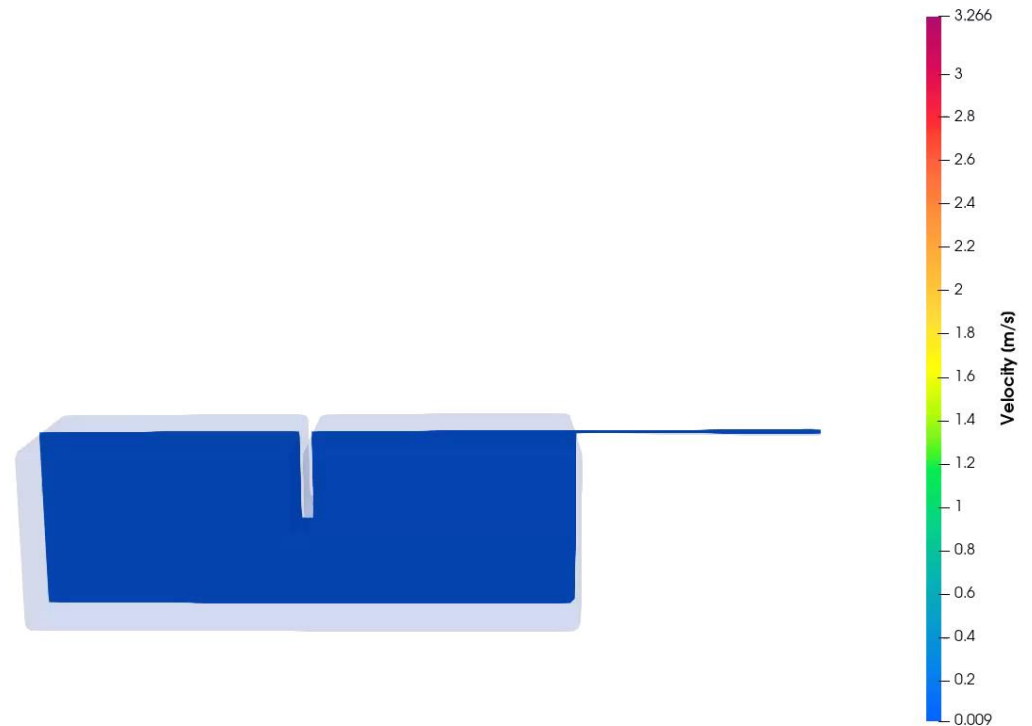
Australian Water School
On-Demand Training

- Stormwater Pit
 - Mass momentum source, droplet to particle conversion

Time: 0.000 s



FLOW-3D
HYDRO



How do you navigate the course?

The screenshot displays the FLOW-3D HYDRO course navigation interface. On the left is a blue sidebar with navigation options: Home, Courses, Groups, Grading Hub, Conferences, Reports, and Calendar. Below these is a Help Center link. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Overview:** A dashboard with four key metrics:
 - 1 Courses**
 - 0 Assigned courses**
 - 0.0% Completion rate**
 - 0h 0m Training time**
- Quick actions:** A panel with buttons for "Add course" and "Add conference".
- Recent course activity:** A section showing a thumbnail of a 3D hydrodynamic model with the text "OD-25-3-126 On-demand: Getting".
- Today:** A section showing the date and time "05/11/2024, 11:59 AM" and a calendar icon with the text "Nothing happening to".

The interface also features a search bar at the top, a user profile icon, and a system tray at the bottom showing the date, time, and various application icons.

What is included?

- **FLOW-3D HYDRO** license (30 days, 8 CPU cores)
 - **FLOW-3D POST** included for post-processing
 - Exercises can be run on a standard laptop or workstation (Windows OS)
 - Access to the user documentation (theory, model reference, etc.)
 - Login credentials to the **FLOW-3D Getting Started** website
- Step-by-step modelling guides in video and PDF format
- Technical support provided by Flow Science Australasia
 - While the course is intended to be fully on-demand, you can arrange one-on-one online meetings if you require further assistance

Who is the target audience?

- Anyone with an interest in CFD modelling for the water industry
 - Academics and professionals of all experience levels
- No previous CFD or **FLOW-3D** modelling experience is required
 - Prior experience with 1D/2D modelling tools is beneficial, but is not necessary
- Note: This course is intended for people based in **Australia and New Zealand** as it is coordinated by Flow Science Australasia.
 - If you are in another location, please submit the Expression of Interest (EOI) form and your request will be passed along to your local **FLOW-3D** distributor.

What will you learn?

- Learn the basics of the **FLOW-3D HYDRO** workflow
 - Experience the ease-of-use of the user interface
 - Create new simulations, simulation copies, and restarts
 - Gain exposure to common physics used in water applications
 - Work with various 3D geometry types
 - Learn a variety of simple meshing techniques
 - Define several types of boundary conditions and initial conditions
 - Perform post-processing in **FLOW-3D HYDRO** and **FLOW-3D POST**

What I like about the on-demand training format...

- You can approach the training in the manner that suits you
 - If you want more personal interaction, you have our support
- We plan on adding more exercises in the future
- Training exercises are more representative of “real” projects
 - In-person training → simpler models, faster simulations
 - On-demand training → more representative models, longer simulations
- Existing users: allows you to train additional staff without tying up your time and existing **FLOW-3D HYDRO** license

What this course is not...

- You will not be a CFD “expert” after taking one on-demand course
 - Hopefully, the course inspires you to explore CFD modelling further
 - This is one step on your journey to being a proficient CFD user
- Not an in-depth review of CFD theory
 - However, you have access to the documentation if that interests you

Learn CFD through flexible, hands-on training

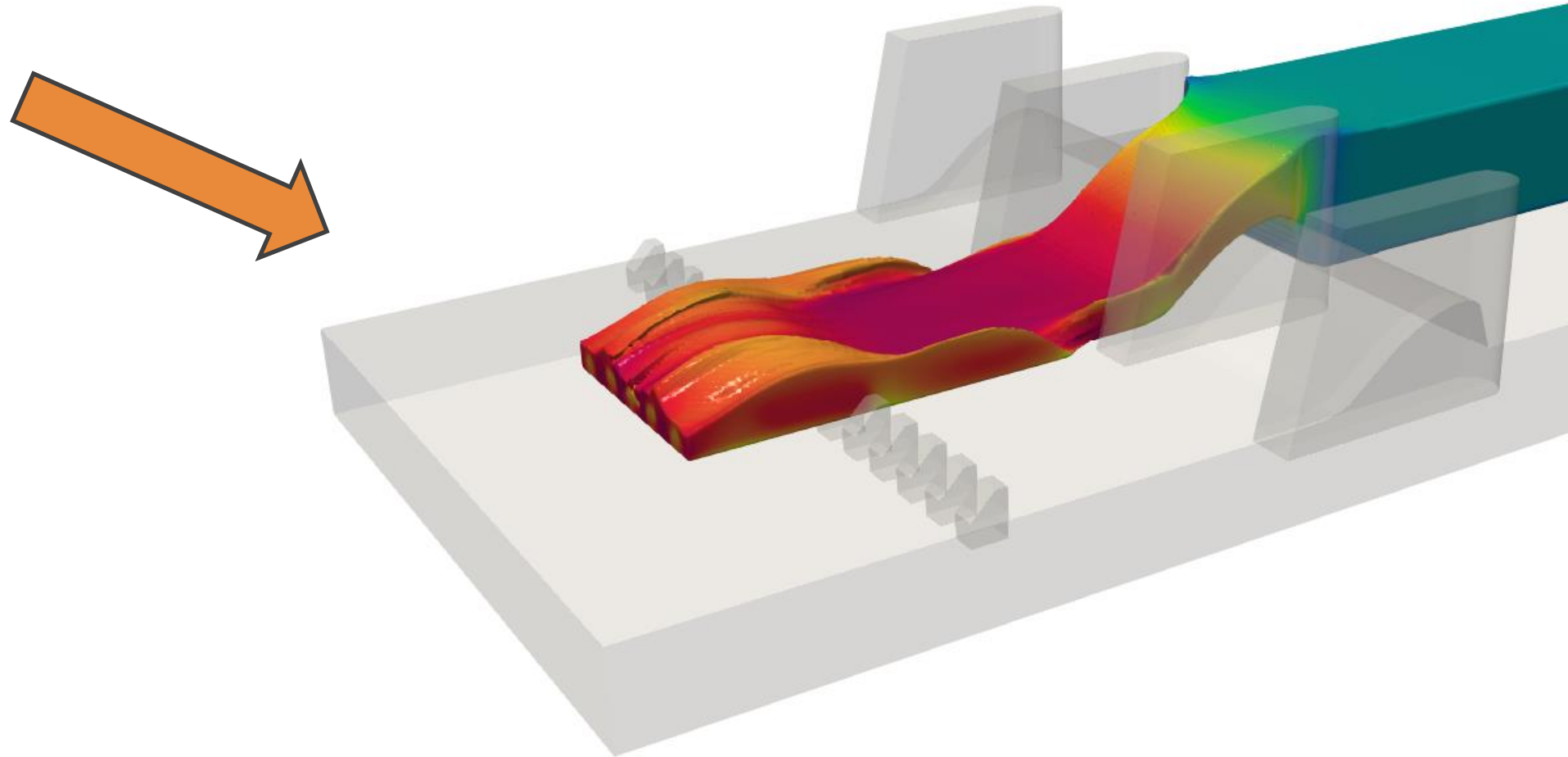
- Gain confidence by repeating the **FLOW-3D HYDRO** workflow
- Choose the exercises that interest you
- Access to a **30-day** license to explore your own projects!

Experience why **FLOW-3D HYDRO** is the leading CFD software for the water industry!

Sign up today on the Australian Water School training portal:
<https://awschool.com.au/training/>

Model workflow and live demo

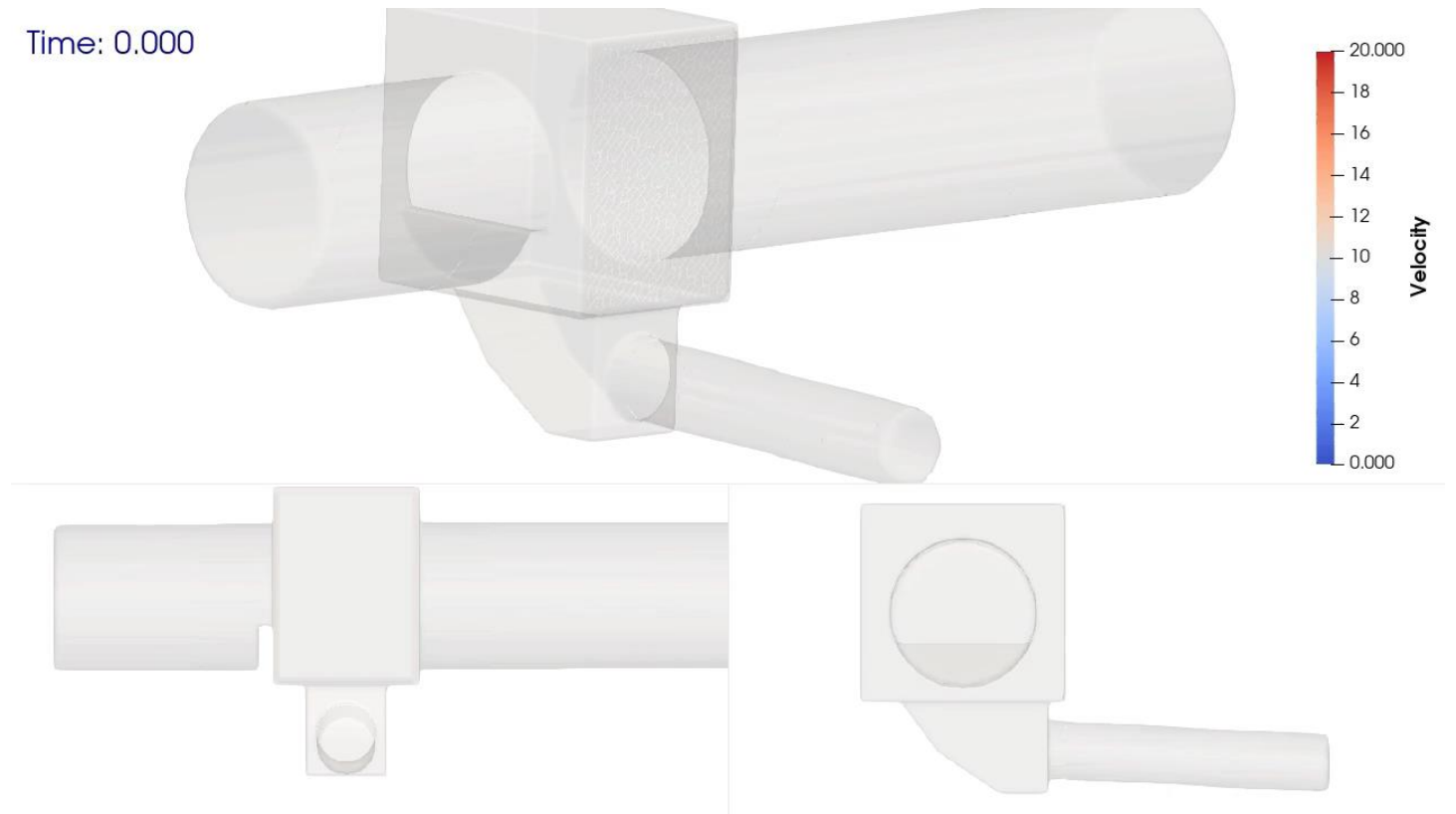
- Review of the general modelling workflow in **FLOW-3D HYDRO**
- Live demo



Model setup: Basic free surface simulation

- Setup requirements

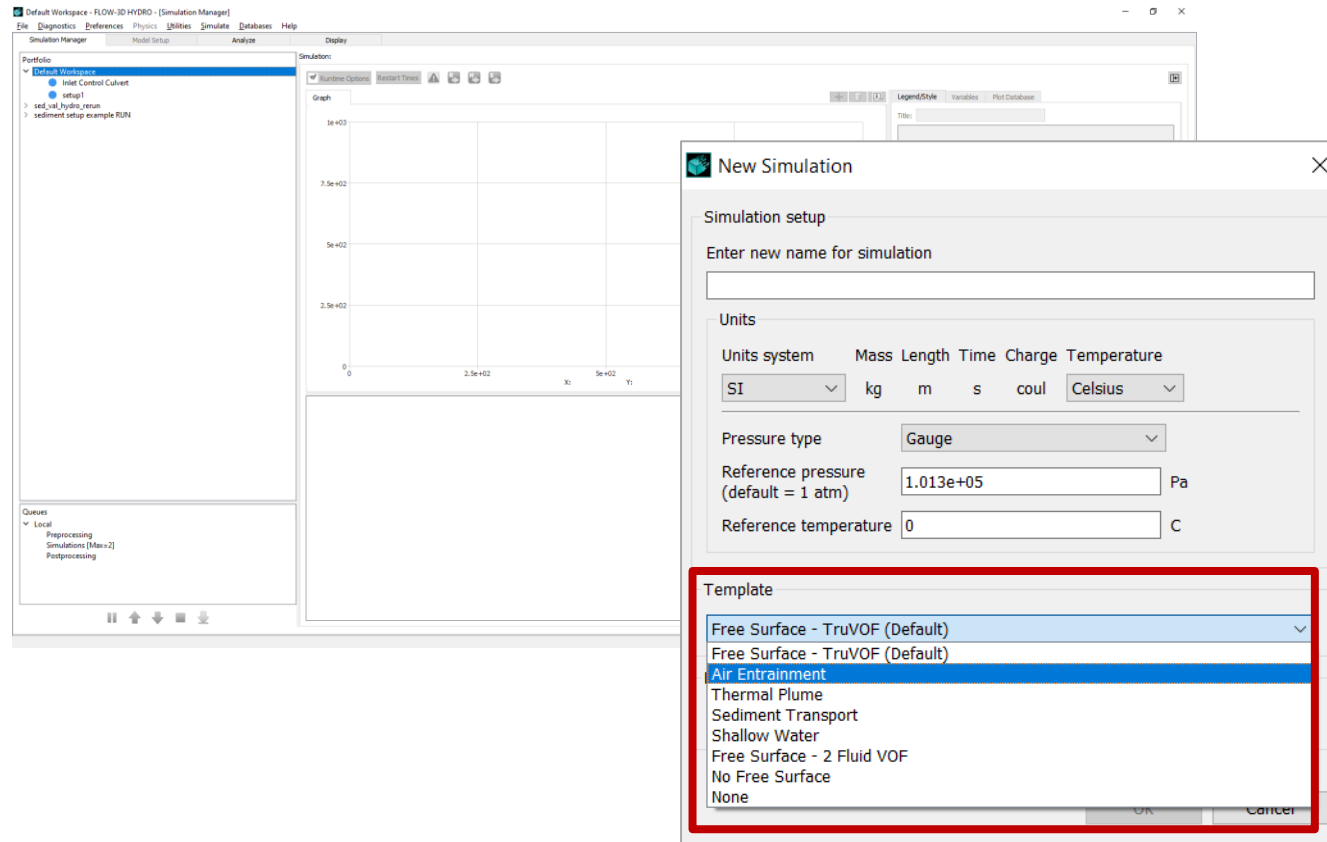
- Water flowing over solid geometry
- Free surface physics
 - 1 fluid VOF, gravity, turbulence



- Setup workflow



Model setup: Basic free surface simulation



- Activates physics models
- Specified input parameters
- Loads fluid properties
- Sets recommended numerical options
- Selects output variables

Create
Simulation



Geometry



Meshing



Initial and
Boundary
Conditions

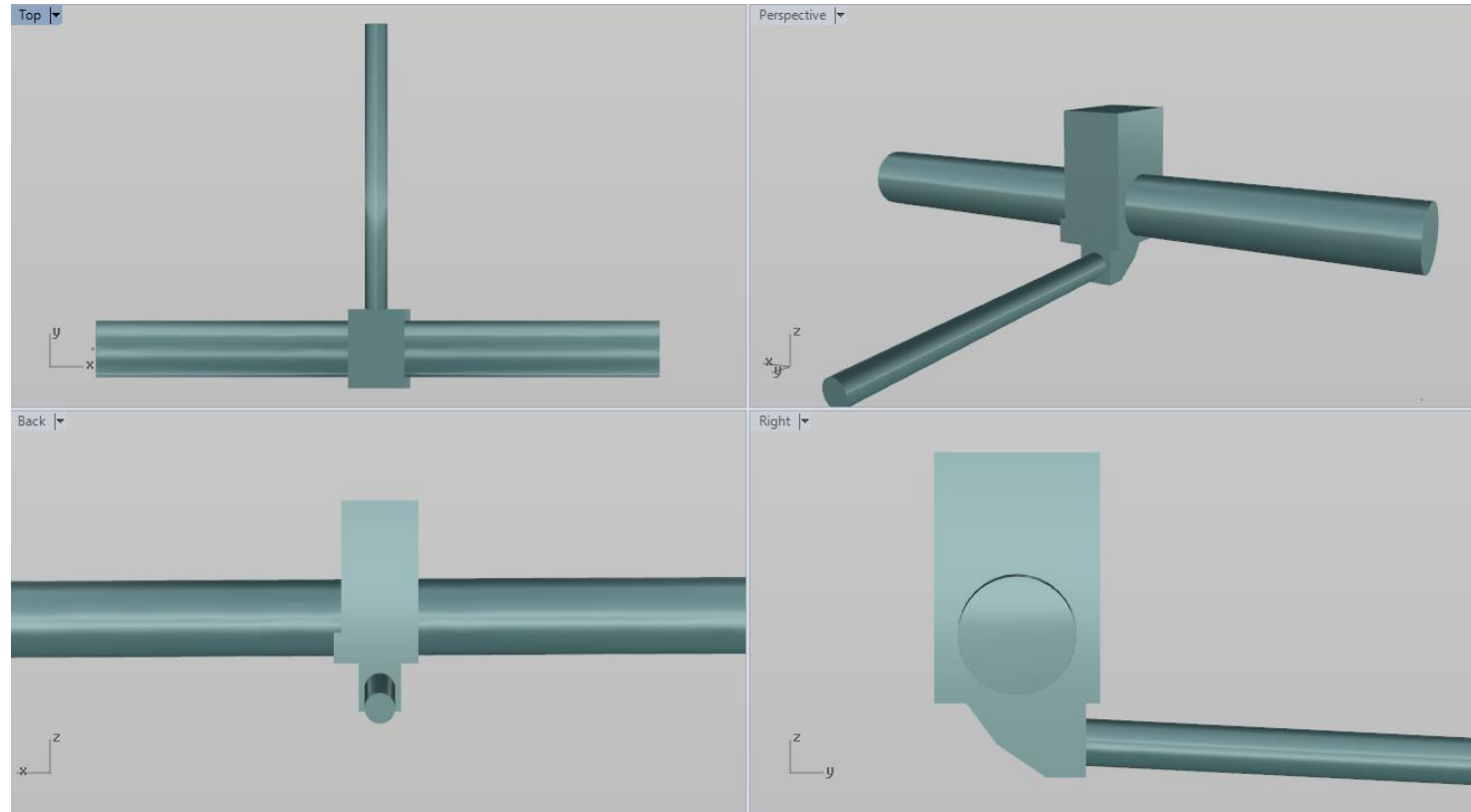


Run
Simulation



Post-
processing

Model setup: Basic free surface simulation



Create
Simulation



Geometry



Meshing



Initial and
Boundary
Conditions

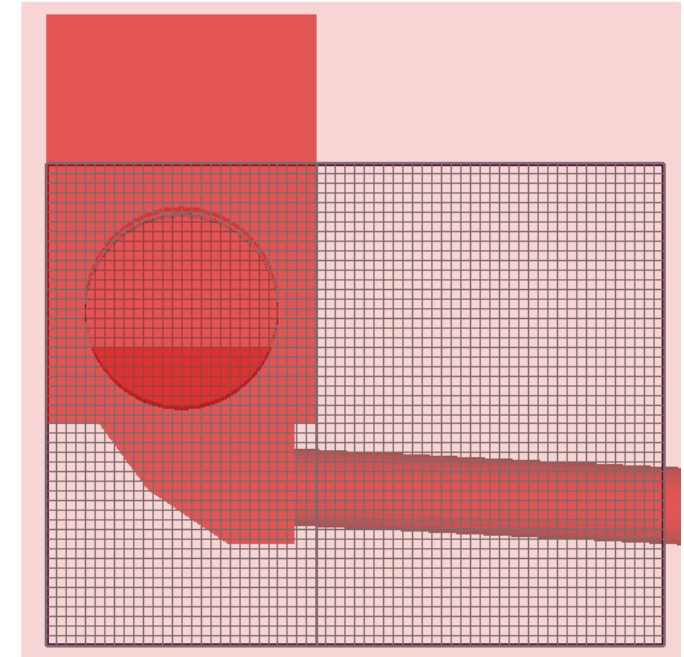
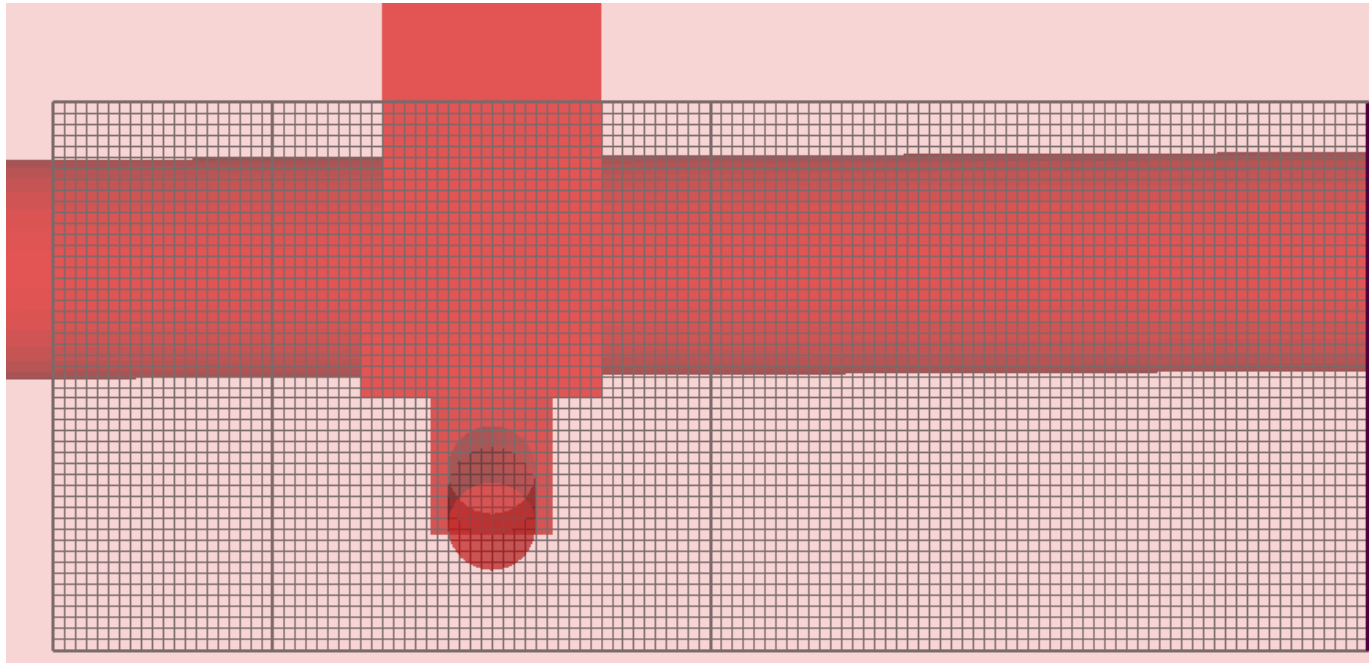


Run
Simulation

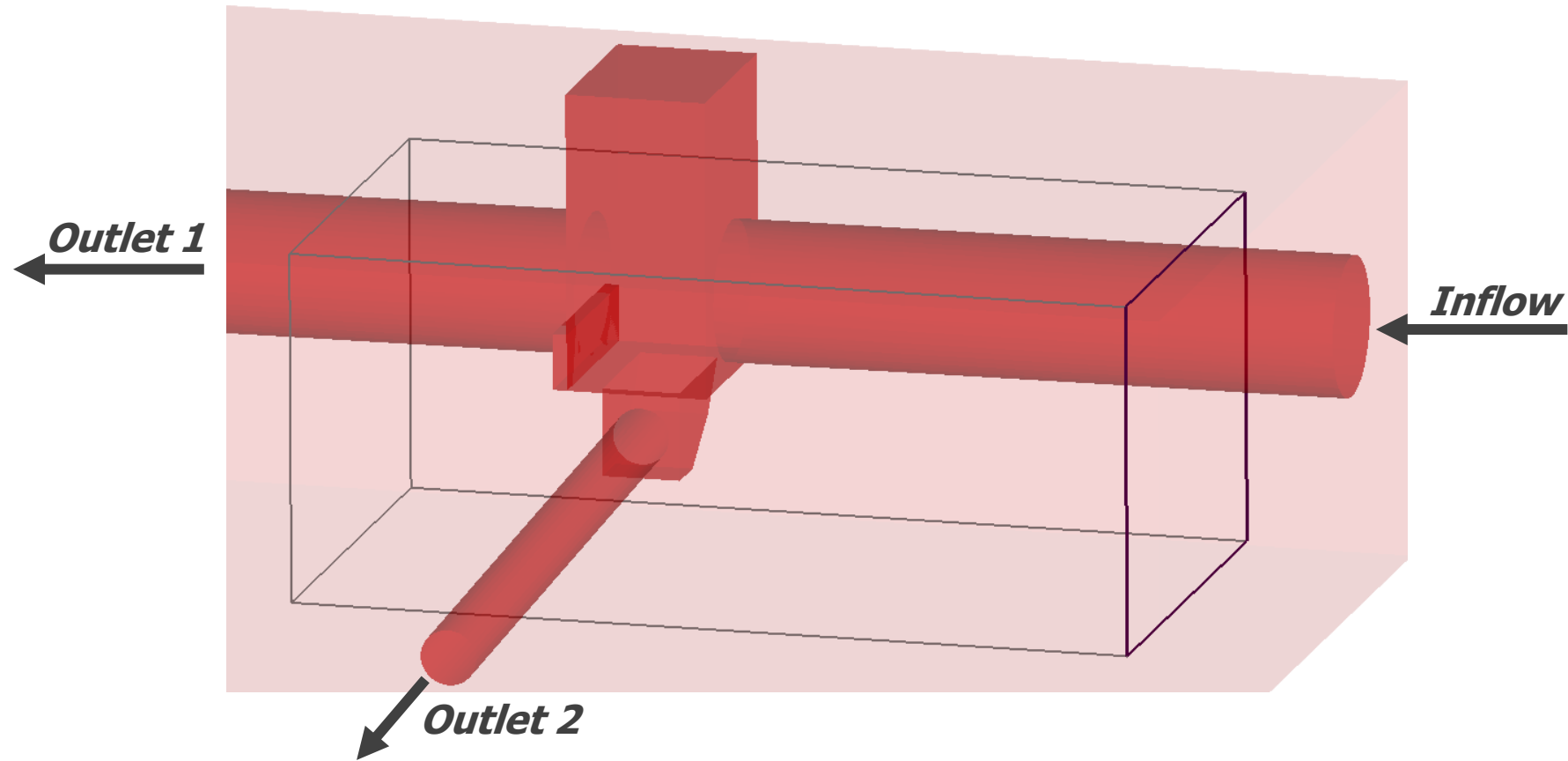


Post-
processing

Model setup: Basic free surface simulation

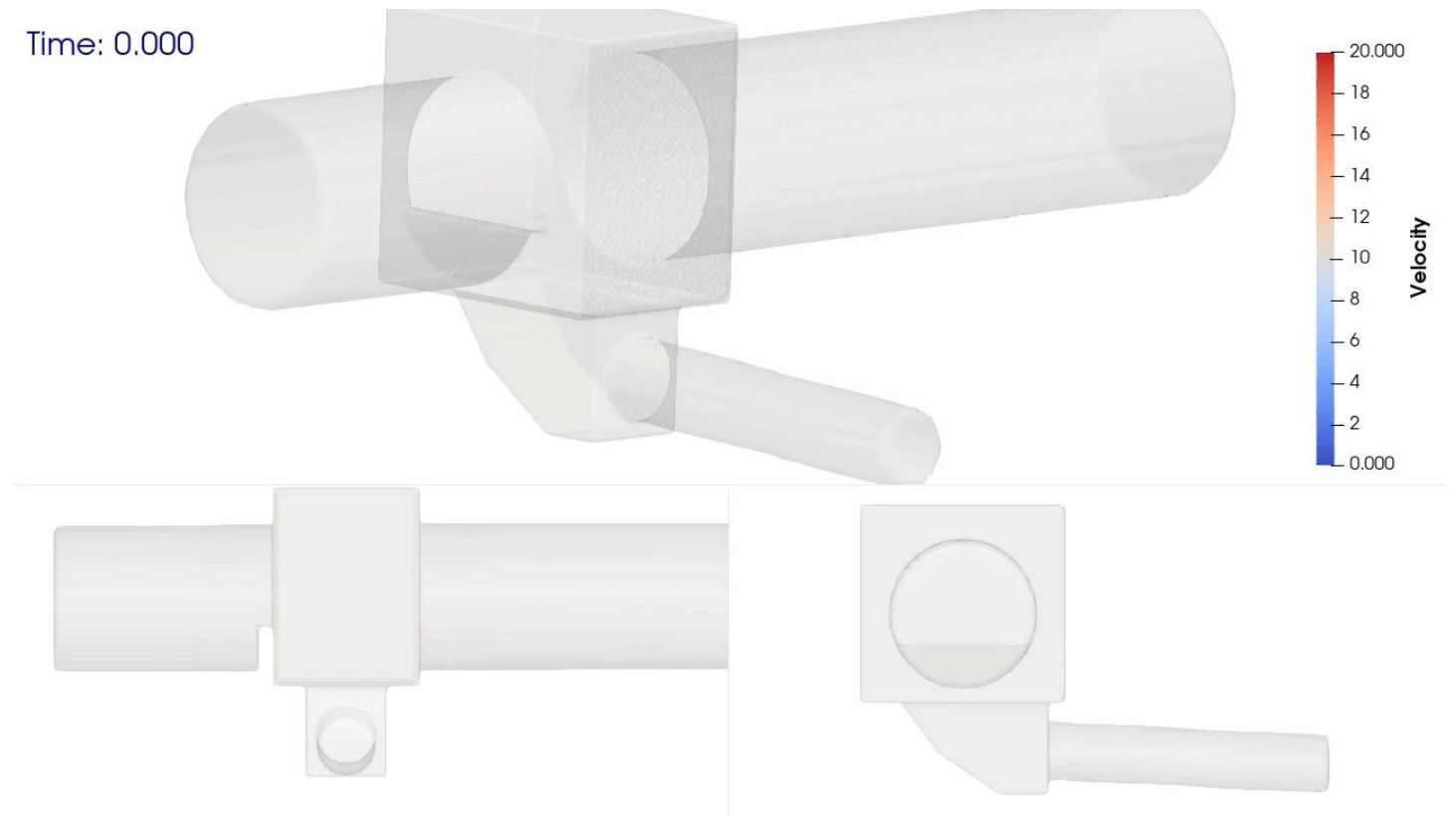


Model setup: Basic free surface simulation

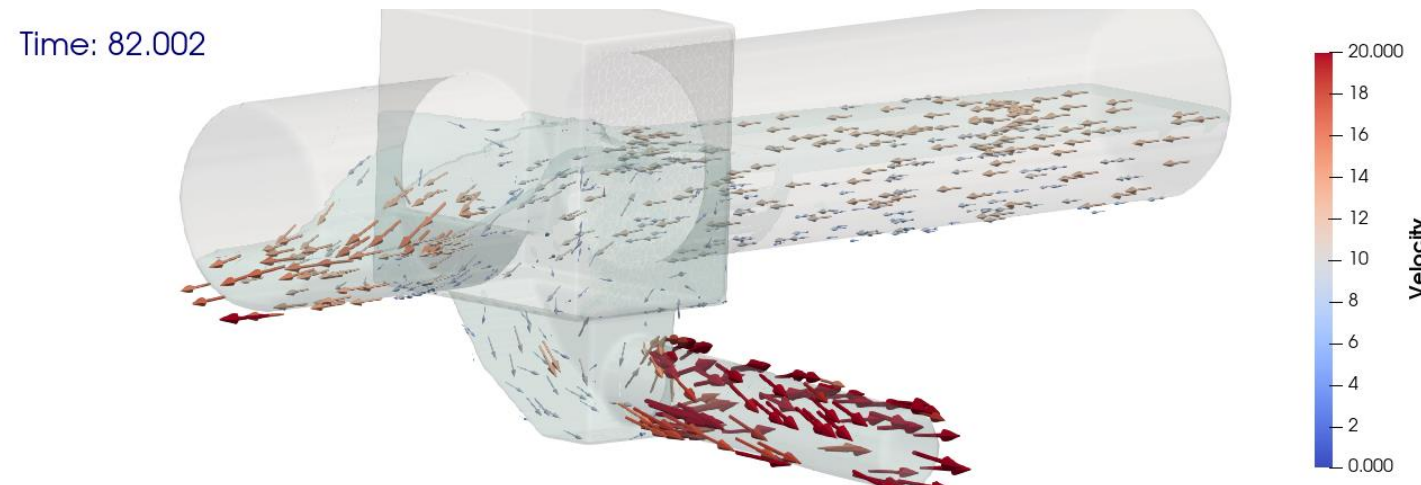


Model setup: Basic free surface simulation

- Setup time
 - 15 min - 2 hours
- Run time
 - 1 hour
 - 260,000 active cells
 - 10 cores workstation



Model setup: Basic free surface simulation



Create
Simulation



Geometry



Meshing



Initial and
Boundary
Conditions



Run
Simulation



Post-
processing

Live demo – ogee weir

DEMO_TEST1 FLOW-3D HYDRO - [Simulation Manager]

File Diagnostics Preferences Physics Utilities Simulate Databases Help

Simulation Manager Model Setup Analyze Display

Portfolio

- > Default Workspace
- > AWS Training 2024
- > AWS Training

Queues

Local

Simulation: C:\flow3d_hydro2024r1\AWS_Training\DEMO_TEST1\prepin.DEMO_TEST1

Runtime Options Restart Times

Volume of fluid Mean kinetic energy Time step information Pressure convergence Volume error (% lost) Graph 6 Graph 7

Legend/Style Variables Plot Database

Title: Graph 6

- Flux surface 1: fluid 1 volume flow rate

Min: 0 Average: 584

Max: 730.125 Sum: 818768

```

5.89456E+01 22499 2.52E-03 2.52E-03/cy 1 1.07E-01 2.5799E+04 +9.40E-03 0.639 02:51:36 76 19:39:55 00:03:09
5.95463E+01 22737 2.53E-03 2.53E-03/cy 1 1.31E-01 2.5805E+04 +9.35E-03 0.639 02:53:30 53 19:41:49 00:01:24
***
restart and spatial data available at t = 6.00015E+01
***
6.00015E+01 22917 2.53E-03 2.53E-03/cy 1 1.86E-01 2.5812E+04 +9.30E-03 0.640 02:54:56 81 19:43:15 00:00:00

end of calculation at t = 6.00015E+01, cycle = 22917
normal completion: finish time exceeded

elapsed time = 1.04997E+04 seconds, or
0 days : 2 hours : 54 minutes : 60 seconds

cpu time = 1.37342E+05 seconds

date of completion = 11/05/2024
time = 19:43:19
flsgrf1.DEMO_TEST1-flsgrf2.DEMO_TEST1 file size: 54 gb

Postprocessor starting
Postprocessor Done

Simulation run complete
                    
```

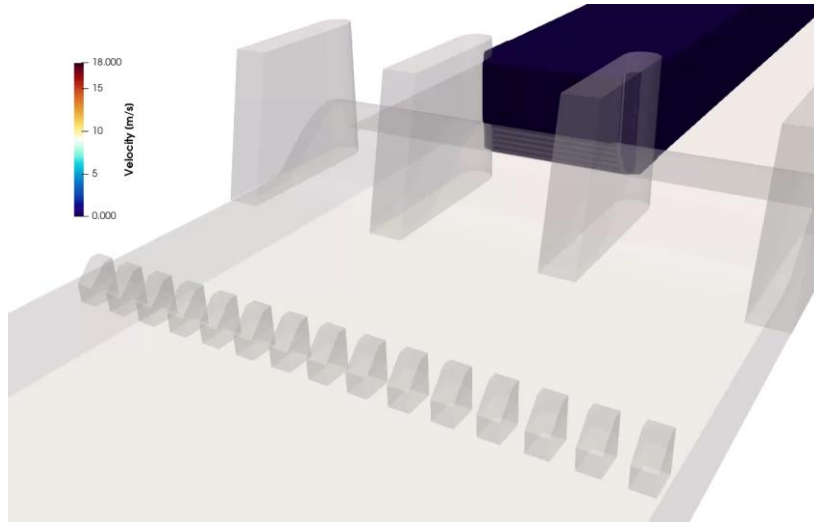
Eric Lemont

1 OQ1F -1.67%

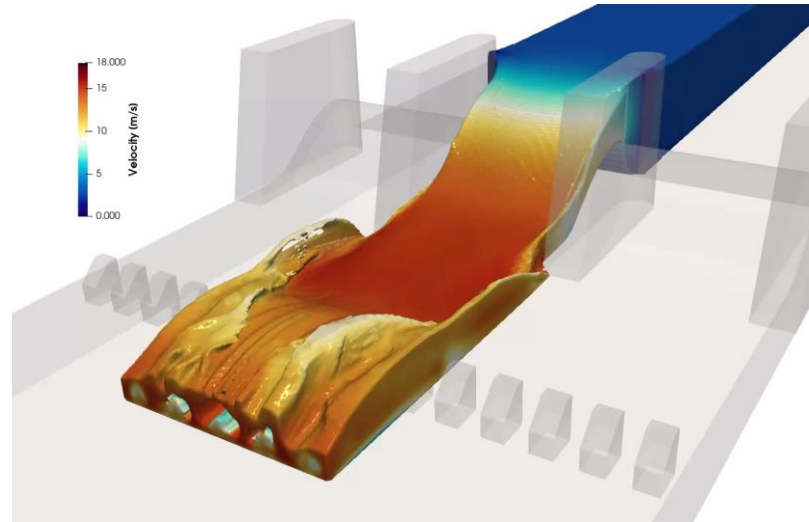
Search

7:45 PM 5/11/2024

Post-processing and sensitivity testing



Demo model (RNG, 1st order)

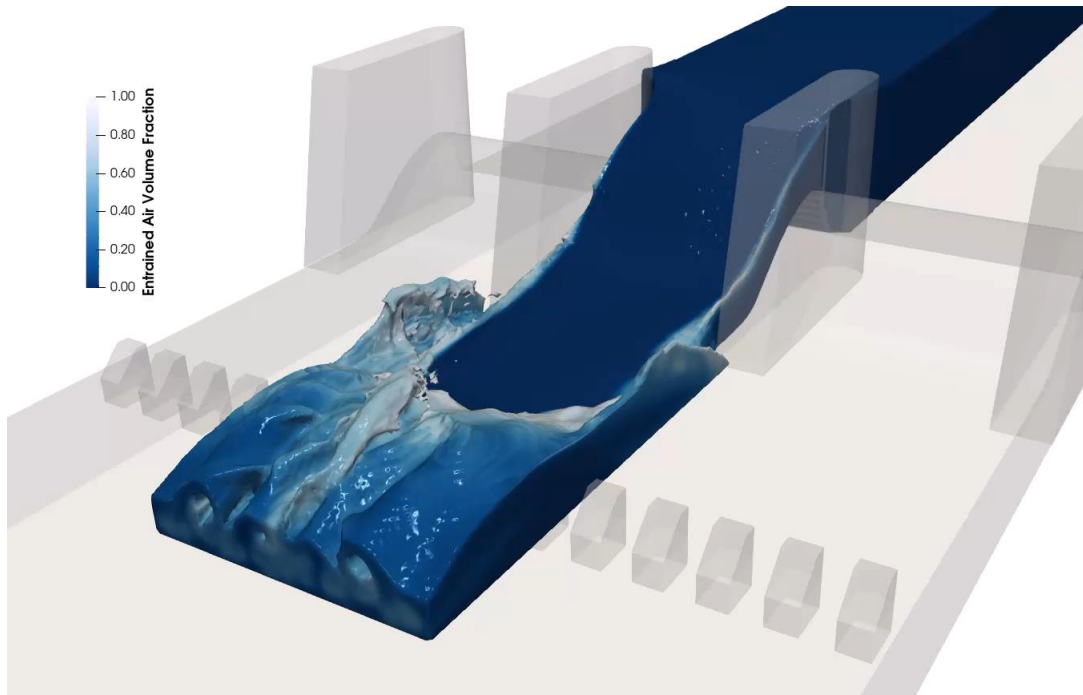


Restart model (LES, 2nd order)

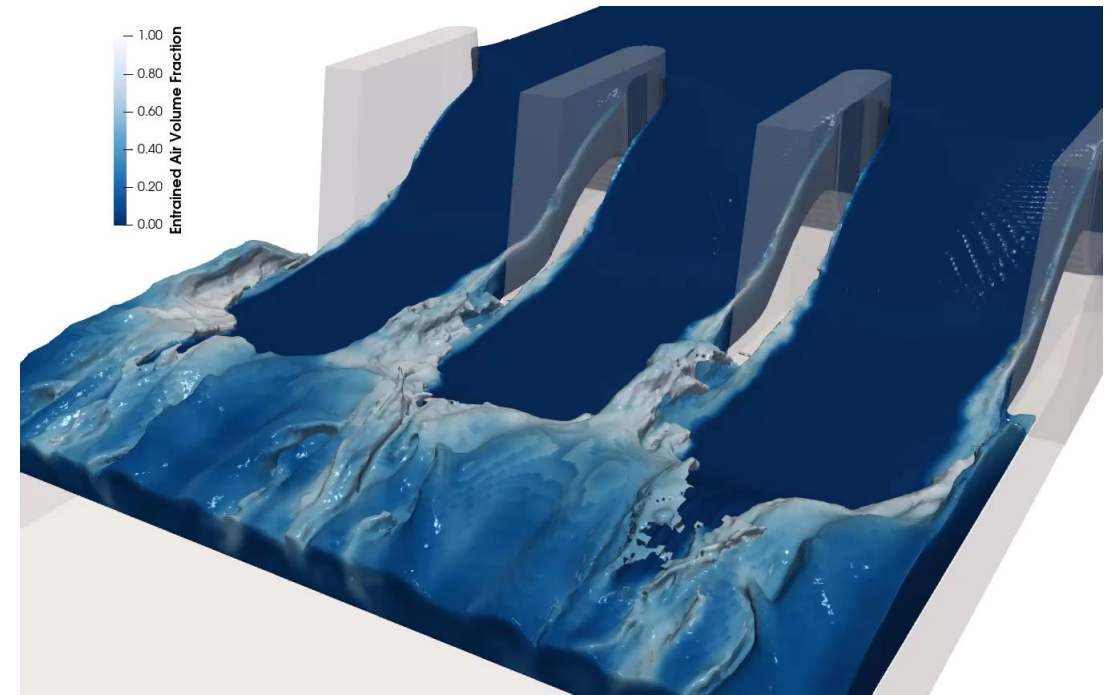


Ray tracing (LES, 2nd order)

Post-processing and sensitivity testing



Air entrainment (RNG, 2nd order)



Full width model
(air entrainment, RNG, 2nd order)

Take Home Message

- Benefits of 3D CFD
 - Accuracy
 - Flexibility and versatility
 - Risk and uncertainty reduction
 - Supplement to other modelling approaches
 - Effective communication
- **FLOW-3D HYDRO**
 - Industry-leading 3D CFD modelling for civil hydraulics applications
 - Streamlined, intuitive application-based workflows
 - Training content library
 - Technical support services
 - A continued commitment to developing advanced solver capabilities for the civil engineering industry

Want to learn CFD?

- Sign up for the **FLOW-3D HYDRO** on-demand training course
- Access to a **30-day** license to explore your own projects!

Experience why **FLOW-3D HYDRO** is the leading CFD software for the water industry!

Sign up today on the Australian Water School training portal:
<https://awschool.com.au/training/>

Upcoming Events this November

- ANCOLD Conference
 - 11-14 November in Adelaide
 - Booth #32
- Hydrology & Water Resources Symposium
 - 18-21 November in Melbourne
 - Lanyard sponsor



Thank you!

Questions or
Comments?

