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NovaOne is NovaCast's elementary collection of casting simulation tools, streamlined to meet the essential demands of specific processes. NovaOne is a slim version of our premium casting simulation system, NovaFlow&Solid.

NovaOne HPD has the essential functionality for the high-pressure die casting process to simulate mold filling and solidification. It also contains much more than that, and it really gives you the possibility to simulate the casting production that you dream to have. We think that you should be able to find solutions faster and more accurate than before and that it should be easy to learn to use the program. NovaOne HPD can make your casting production greener by guiding you on how to increase your yield and optimize your production process. This will help you save energy, material and eventually use less of our planet's resources. We believe that every casting counts which means that we should work together for a future where casting defects do not exist and you make good business with a good conscience.



Simulations

NovaOne HPD can simulate high pressure die casting with hot or cold chamber. Most HPD casting matreials are possible to simulate. Included in NovaOne HPD are aluminum alloys and zinc-based alloys. Additional alloys can be added for a fee. The system can use all types of mold and core materials that are commercial on the market. Also here, missing materials can be added for a fee.

NovaOne HPD visualizes the consequences of a specific gating system. Casting defects, such as cold-flows, shrinkage porosities and problems due to excessive turbulence can be avoided by optimizing the design of the gating. You can also investigate the efficiency of your venting system or find the optimal placement for your venting system.

Control Volume Method (CVM)

The CVM technology as we call it, also known under the name Finite Volume Method, allows the surface of the 3D model to control the shape of the mesh elements on the border of the casting. This creates cubic elements inside the casting and border cells on the boundary of the casting, which generates much faster and more accurate results. CVM works all the time during the simulation. It is especially important during filling since it calculates the actual height/width of a metal front. It fills only the necessary fraction of a cell instead of cell by cell.

Advantages

The CVM technology has the following advantages in comparison with FDM/FEM methods:

• For most castings, simulation time is reduced to around 10 percent with keeping the same or improving it

• You receive a higher accuracy in simulation, due to a perfect description of the 3D model, since all sections are correct in size. CVM technology is exactly as the 3D model dimensions

• Less cells are needed to define the casting geometry, which ensures faster simulations and smaller result files

• The meshing process is completely automatic and only takes seconds



Modules included in NovaOne HPD

- 3D Import
- Import of binary, ASCII STL files and STEP files
- Import of cooling channels
- Import of inserts like cores or mold halves
- Built in STL fixing including re-triangulation
- · Built in accuracy setting of STEP

 \cdot Boolean functions for taking into account the interactions between solids

• Extension function, for closing gaps between solids

Positioning functions

Simulation Setup (Pre-processor)

- Meshing with Control Volume Method (CVM)
- Material parameters setting
- 3rd phase prediction = compression phase
- Filling parameter settings
- \cdot Setting of solidification porosity parameters

Browser (Post-processor)

 \cdot Powerful browsing and slicing in x, y and z directions of the simulated results

 Built-in animation functions for presentation of results, creation of movies and real time movie files
Two or more simulations can be viewed simultaneously in the browser

· Printing facility in all modules

 \cdot Possibility to save simulations in BMP or JPEG formats in each module

· Automatic report generator in doc-format

Flow&Solid module

In the Flow&Solid module, you can run a simulation starting by a mold filling simulation followed by solidification. The module includes the following:

 \cdot Simulation of the solidification with the fields Temperature and Liquid phase

Porosity predictions depending on solidification

• Shrinkage by solids – possibility to evaluate the shrinkages in every part of the gating, venting and casting if they are separated solids

• Autosimulate – Batch simulation system for automatic queuing of simulations

• Simulation of velocity, temperature and liquid phase during the mold filling

 \cdot Velocity vectors in both 2D and 3D for turbulence tracking



Hardware recommendations

• PC with QUAD Core (4) (Multiple core support)

 \cdot Highly recommended: Intel Core i9, 3.3 GHz and higher

· Microsoft Windows 10, 64-bit

Recommended: 16GB RAM

· 200GB free hard disk space

 Highly recommended: Solid state drive 256GB as primary disc where simulation should run and be stored during simulation, normal HDD 4TB for storage after simulation as secondary disc

Graphics card: NVidia 8GB or higher

• 3D mouse for rotation, move and zoom. System supports 3D connexion Space navigator.

• High clock frequency is more important than number of cores.

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Main functions	NovaOne HPD	NovaFlow&Solid
Import format STEP and STL	Х	X
Multi mesh technology		Х
Feeding point technology for shrinkage prediction	Х	X
Feeding pressure value setting (3rd phase)	X	X
Die coating	X	X
HPD filling – Total filling time	X	X
HPD filling – Time (flow versus time)	X	X
HPD filling – Trigger (flow versus coordinate)	X	X
HPD filling – Trigger + filling time	Х	X
HPD filling with chamber (virtual)	X	X
Piston movement calculation		X
Instant pour for hot chamber		X
Parameter optimization		X
Flowcolor		X
Flowmeter		X
Tracer particles		X
Thermal cycling		X
Cooling channels		X
Mold spraying		X
Vents (atmospheric)		X
Vacuum vents (compressor)		X
Squeeze pins		X
Re -melt material chills		X
Sensor elements		X
Maximum calculation cores	4	Unlimited
Maximum mesh amount	20 million	Unlimited
Calculation of solidification shrinkage	Х	X
Database module in order to add and change alloys		X
Settings module for setting default settings	(preset)	X
Solver 0 (quasi equilibrium model)	X	X
Solver 1 (non equilibrium model)		X
NovaShot module (HPD pre-calculations)		X
Browser module (full functionality see below)	X	X
NovaStress connection (optional module)		X
Only 3D Import, Simulation Setup, Flow&Solid and Browser module	x	(full)
Result fields: Temperature, Liquid phase, Velocity, pressure and shrinkage	x	(full)
Result fields: Flowcolor, Temperature gradient, Air Entrapment, Slag particles, Solidification time, Fill Time, air contact time, Wall contact time, Thermal modulus, Geometrical modulus, Hot Spot, Warming up time, Niyama, Bubbles and Bubble Tracers		x
Limited database – only aluminum + zinc alloys (changes of al- loys not possible)	x	(full)

Functionality for other methods	NovaOne HPD	NovaFlow&Solid
Gravity casting filling (Lip pouring, Bottom pour)		X
Low pressure die casting		X
Tilt casting		X
Lost wax casting		X
Centrifugal casting		X
Filter function – foam or pressed, virtual or real		X
Exothermic powder function		X
Extra modules: Solidification, Flow, Quick flow, Good Guys index, Settings and Database		x
ATAS MetStar connection (in database)		X

Browser functionality	NovaOne HPD	NovaFlow&Solid
Create autoreport	X	X
Create movies	X	X
Autogenerate movies	X	X
Create multi window movie	X	X
Create multi simulation movie	X	X
Create picture	X	X
Viewing of results in 2D, 3D and transparency mode	X	X
User field	X	X

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