



a computational fluid dynamics and structural mechanics challenge

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# Outline

- » PRETECH GmbH
- » Temperature and pressure distribution with Autodesk Simulation CFD
- » Forces and stresses with Creo Simulation
- » Conclusions



# PRETECH Predictive Design Technologies GmbH

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- » Foundation: End of 1992
- » Internet: www.pretech.de
- » Cooperations
  - » Reseller for PTC (Parametric Technology), Needham, MA, USA
- » Memberships:
  - » Hanse-Aerospace e.V.
  - » CAE-Forum
  - » Hanse Supplier

## Our services for you I

- » HighEnd Engineering for e.g. Aerospace, Automotive, Medical, Mechanical Engineering, Electronics, etc.
- » Computations and Simulations with Creo Simulate, Autodesk Simulation CFD, ABAQUS explicit and Creo Parametric MDO/MDX for static, thermal, dynamical, kinetic, fluid dynamics, etc. problems
- » Reseller for PTC Simulation Codes: Creo Simulate, Fatigue Advisor, Plastic Advisor, MDX/MDO, etc.





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# Our services for you II

- > Trainings/consulting (some courses also in english):
  - "Virtual Mechanics"
    (Basics of mechanics for future FEM users)
  - "Validation of stresses " (How must be FEM results validated eg. for endurance strength ?, an introduction)
  - "COMPOSITE/WORKS" (Basiscs for the usage of laminates;, ,design', ,calculation', ,production')
  - "Trainings for Creo Simulate (MECHANICA)" (also in cooperation with PTC)
  - "Heat transfer"
    (Opeartion with temperature fields and thermal strains)
  - "MKS-System" (Multi body-simulation with MDO/MDX)









# **Cylinder Head**





# Cylinder Head - Modeling

- » Main objective: To determine the pressure distribution on the sealing surfaces of a compressor cylinder head with Autodesk Simulation CFD and Creo Simulate
- » Additional objectives:
  - Details on the deformations and displacements of the cylinder head
  - Hits of potential problem areas
  - Informations about the influence of the initial load of the screws
  - Indications to the influence of pressure
  - Statements to the influence of temperature



# Cylinder Head - Modeling

- » Limitations:
  - "As simple as possible" start, closer examination only if necessary
  - The interface to the compressor housing is defined as completely flat
  - The heat generation inside the compressed air is simplified (heat source below the end plate, cooling with water)
  - Outer influences are neglected



## Cylinder Head – CFD-Model



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## Cylinder Head – CFD-Mesh

- » CFD-Elements:
  - > Solid: 11,069,154
  - > Fluid: 8,762,587
  - > Sum: 19,831,741





## Cylinder Head – CFD-Mesh





## Cylinder Head – CFD-Mesh



































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### **Pressure distribution**





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# Velocity/temperature of the compressed air



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# Velocity/temperature of the compressed air



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## Velocity/pressure of the air





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## **CFD - Results**

- » Water: Outlet 99.5°C (Inlet: 89.9°C)
- » Pressure chamber: Outlets: 134.6°C & 138.5°C (Inlet: 274°C)
- » Air chamber: Outlets: 46.8°C, 38.2°C, 34°C; 57.1°C, 62.2°C & 63.7°C (Inlet: 23.4 °C)

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## Cylinder head – CAE-Model





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## Cylinder head – CAE-Model





## Seal behavior

- The manufacturer supplied the measuring data of the forcedeformation curve
- Relevant is the elastic behavior from 120 and 170 μm





# Creo Simulate - Model

- » Seal modeling:
  - Linear elastic behavior like in the measurements (loading/unloading)
  - Orthotropic definition of stiffness (high modulus of elasticity perpendicular to the seal level, low modulus and shear modulus in the sealing surface)
  - It can be assumed that the seal always covers the whole sealing surface
  - For the static analysis, the seal is defined as rigidly connected with all parts (except for the contact analysis), therefore no friction must be considered
  - The seal section is simplified as a rectangle



## Creo Simulate - Model

- » Boundary conditions: temperature & pressure distribution computed by Autodesk Simulation CFD
- Initial screw loads are generated with a temperature difference of 100 K; the thermal expansion coefficient is adapted to the screw forces
- » Element count: 53,560 p-elements
- » DOF: at final pass: 3,051,645



## CAE - Mesh





# **Contact - Analysis**

#### > Typical convergence of the screw force



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# **Contact - Analysis**





## **Contact - Analysis**



# Comparision contact vs. static analysis



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# Comparision contact vs. static analysis



## Temperatureinfluences



## Temperatureinfluences





## Comparision of seal pressures



## **Comparision seal pressure**



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# Conclusion

- » Autodesk Simulate CFD computes the pressure and temperature distribution
- » Creo Simulate can calculate the strains and stresses within the cylinder head screws in the light of preload, external temperature field and pressure loads
- » It is not necessary to consider friction
- It is not necessary to compute a contact-analysis

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# Conclusion

- The main results are:
  - The most dominant parameters are the screw forces
  - A second critical parameter is the temperature
  - > A third critical parameter is the pressure distribution
  - Increased stiffness of all parts drastically increases the reliability of seals (thigtness; confirmed by tests)
  - All calculation results strongly promote the understanding of the mechanical and thermal behavior of the cylinder head



# Thanks for your attention Questions ?

We're MCAD Fanatics



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