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CFD: computational fluid dynamics; dinâmica computacional dos fluídos

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CFD (**C**omputational **F**luid **D**ynamics) (**D**inâmica Computacional dos **F**lúidos)

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**Breves explanações, com ênfase na
área de Engenharia de
Segurança/Proteção contra Incêndios**

Conteúdo:

1. “Modelar é preciso?”
2. Um pequeno histórico de modelagem de incêndios
3. CFD
4. Algumas aplicações
5. Considerações adicionais
6. Tchau 😊

1. “Modelar é preciso?”

Fire Technology 2008

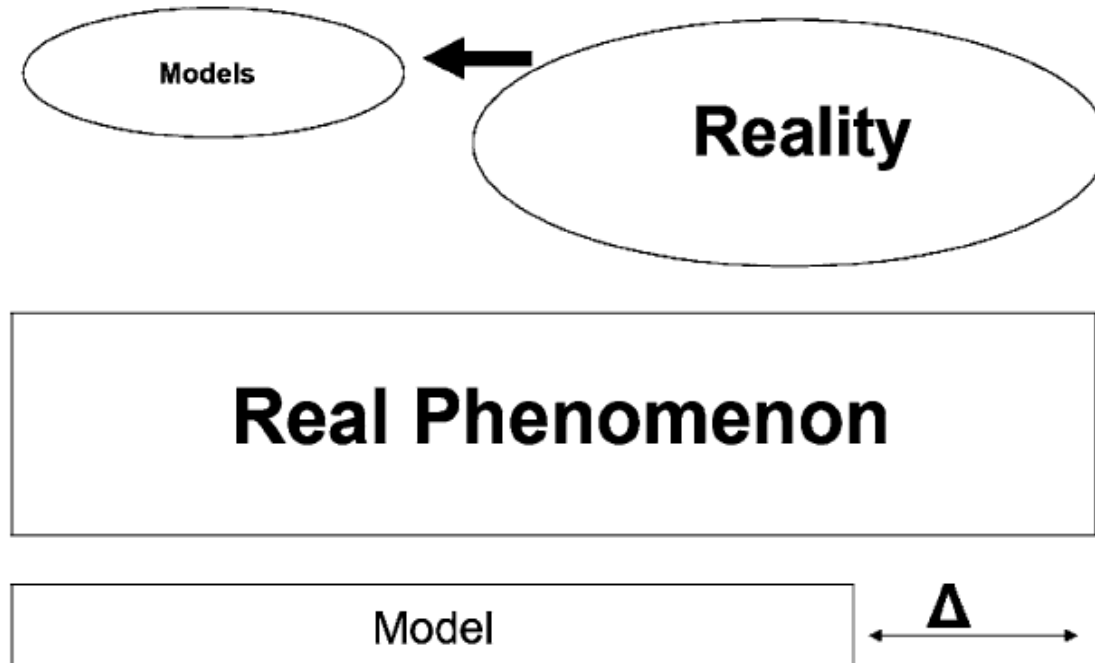
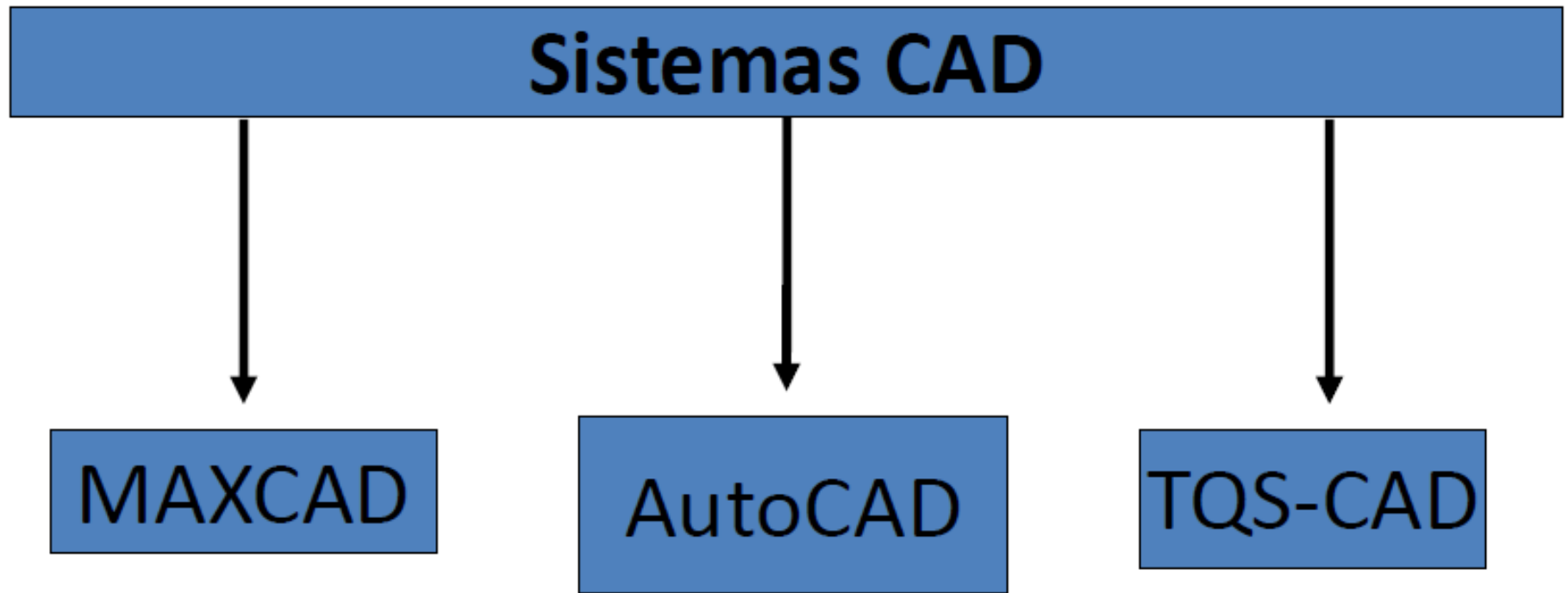


Figure 3. Model “versus” reality.

TAVARES, R.M., Evacuation Processes Versus Evacuation Models: “Quo Vadimus”?, Fire Technology, Springer Netherlands (2008), ISBN: 0015-2684

1.1 Modelos – breve discussão “filosófica”



CAD: Computer-Aided Design

1.1 Modelos – breve discussão “filosófica”




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for all outer_iterations
  for all groups
    if ( inner_iterations > 0 )
      calculate coefficients for group
      do normalisation of the system matrix
    endif
  endfor
  for all minimum_inner_iterations
    for all groups
      calculate interleave iterations
      for all interleave_iterations
        increment used iterations
        if ( used_iterations is even )
          run forward marching SOR update for all cells in group
        else if ( used_iterations is odd )
          run backward marching SOR update for all cells in group
        endif
        calculate solver residual
      endfor
      do convergence tests
    endfor
  endfor
endfor
do linear relaxation
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Engenharia de Segurança/Proteção contra Incêndios

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graph TD; A([Engenharia de Segurança/Proteção contra Incêndios]) --> B([Códigos de Segurança contra Incêndios]); B --- C{Códigos Prescritivos}; B --- D{Códigos Baseados no Desempenho};
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**Códigos de Segurança
contra Incêndios**

Códigos Prescritivos

**Códigos Baseados no
Desempenho**



CAPITA SYMONDS

Fire Engineering



Fire Safety Design: The “Code-compliant” Approach

Part B to the Building Regulations:

- B1 - Means of warning and escape
- B2 - Internal fire spread (linings)
- B3 - Internal fire spread (structure)
- B4 - External fire spread
- B5 - Access and facilities for the fire service

Approved codes of practice:

- Approved Document B – Fire Safety
- BB100 – Design for Fire Safety in Schools
- HTM Firecode series

Other design guidance; BS 9999, (Green Guide) Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds, Railway Safety Principles and Guidance (RSPG)

Part B compliance often documented in a Fire Safety Strategy



The Building Regulations 2000

Fire safety

APPROVED DOCUMENT

B

VOLUME 2 – BUILDINGS OTHER THAN DWELLINGHOUSES

- B1 Means of warning and escape
- B2 Internal fire spread (linings)
- B3 Internal fire spread (structure)
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Coming into effect April 2007



ONLINE VERSION

2009 edition

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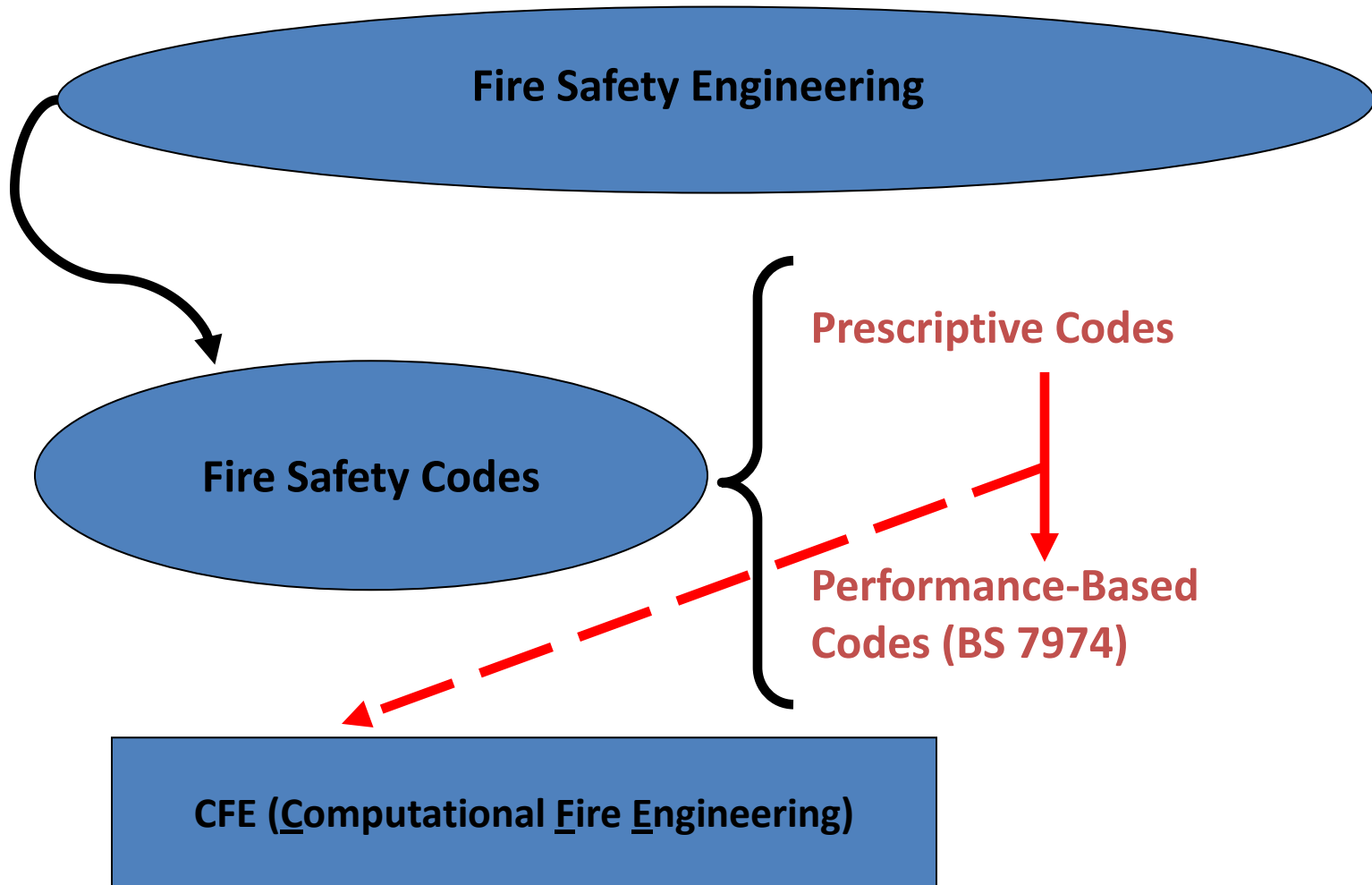
Benefits of adopting a “Code-compliant” Approach:

- Easy to apply; offers generic solutions for more common building designs
- Provides *safe* solutions that present *acceptable* life risk
- No approvals risk

Downsides of adopting a “Code-compliant” Approach:

- Inflexible
- Prescriptive
- Development of approved codes reactive rather than proactive (2.5 minutes for escape)

1. Why model?



BS 7974:2001

Application of fire safety engineering principles to the design of buildings. Code of practice



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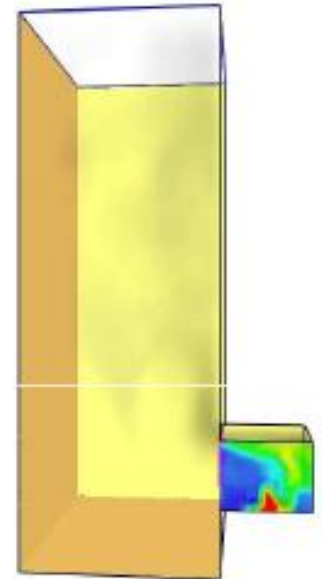
Fire Safety Design: The “Fire Engineered” Approach

Fire Engineering can provide:

- Extended travel distances
- Reduced number of escape exits
- Reduced number of escape stairs
- Allow design features such as atria
- Rationalise the applied structural fire resistance
- Increased compartment sizes

Fire Engineering methods:

- Hand calculation (smoke control, ASET/RSET)
- Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)
- Computational Evacuation Modelling (CEM/PeMMA)
- Structural Finite Element Analysis (FEA)
- Qualitative argument

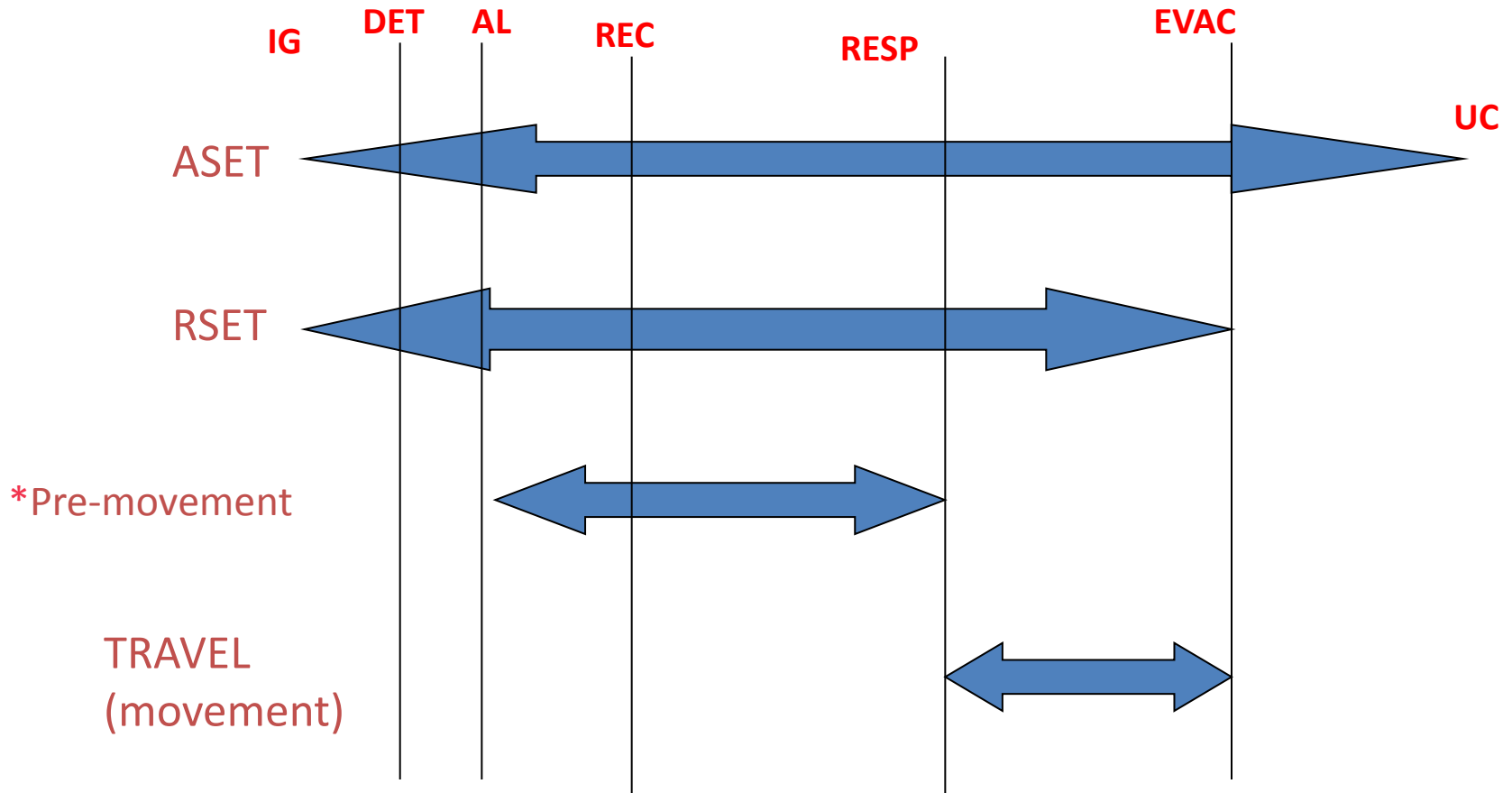


Fire Safety Design: The “Fire Engineered” Approach

In summary Fire Engineering offers:

- Flexible design solutions using performance based designs
- Innovation
- Added value to projects
- Often provides enhanced life safety standards
- Can also be used to improve standards of property protection
- Best efficiencies achieved at an early stage
- Where possible cost savings
- Savings in abortive redesign
- Reduced approval/PI risks
- **Not** a means of bending the rules

1. Why model?

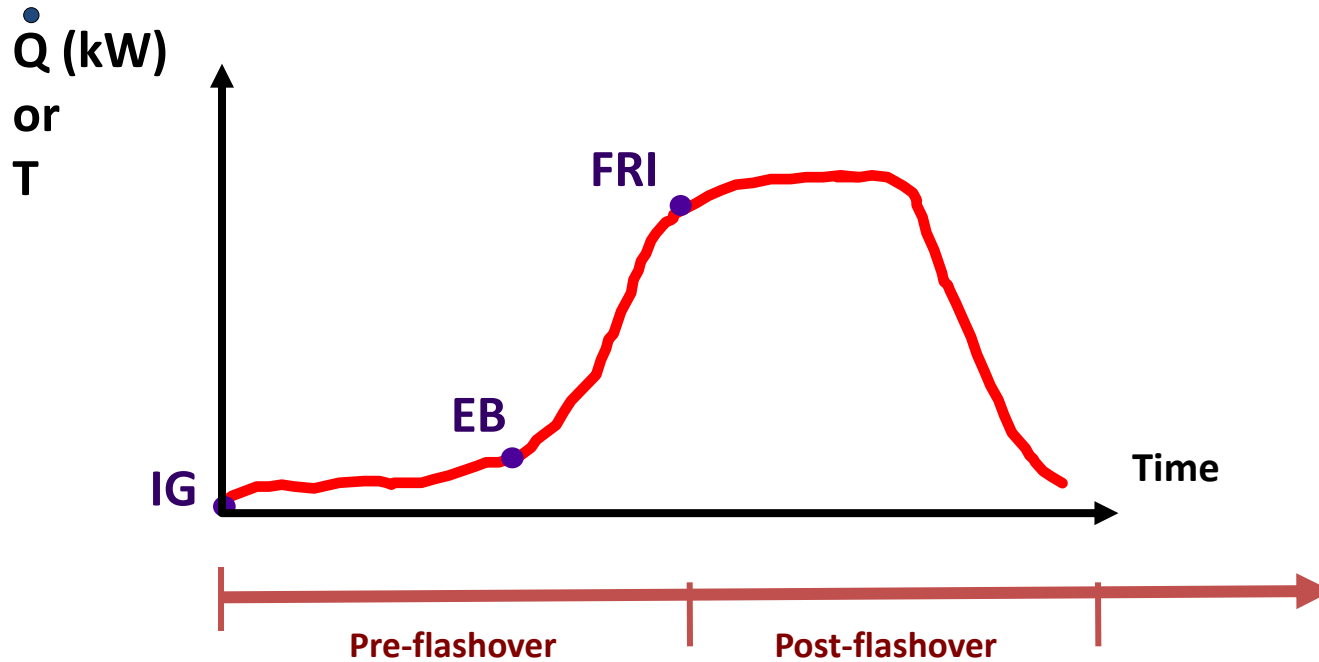


ASET – Available Safe Egress Time

RSET – Required Safe Egress Time

*Pre-movement = Pre-evacuation

1. Why model?



Typical curve for a fire in an enclosure
(adaptation from Kawagoe, K.¹)

IG – Ignition

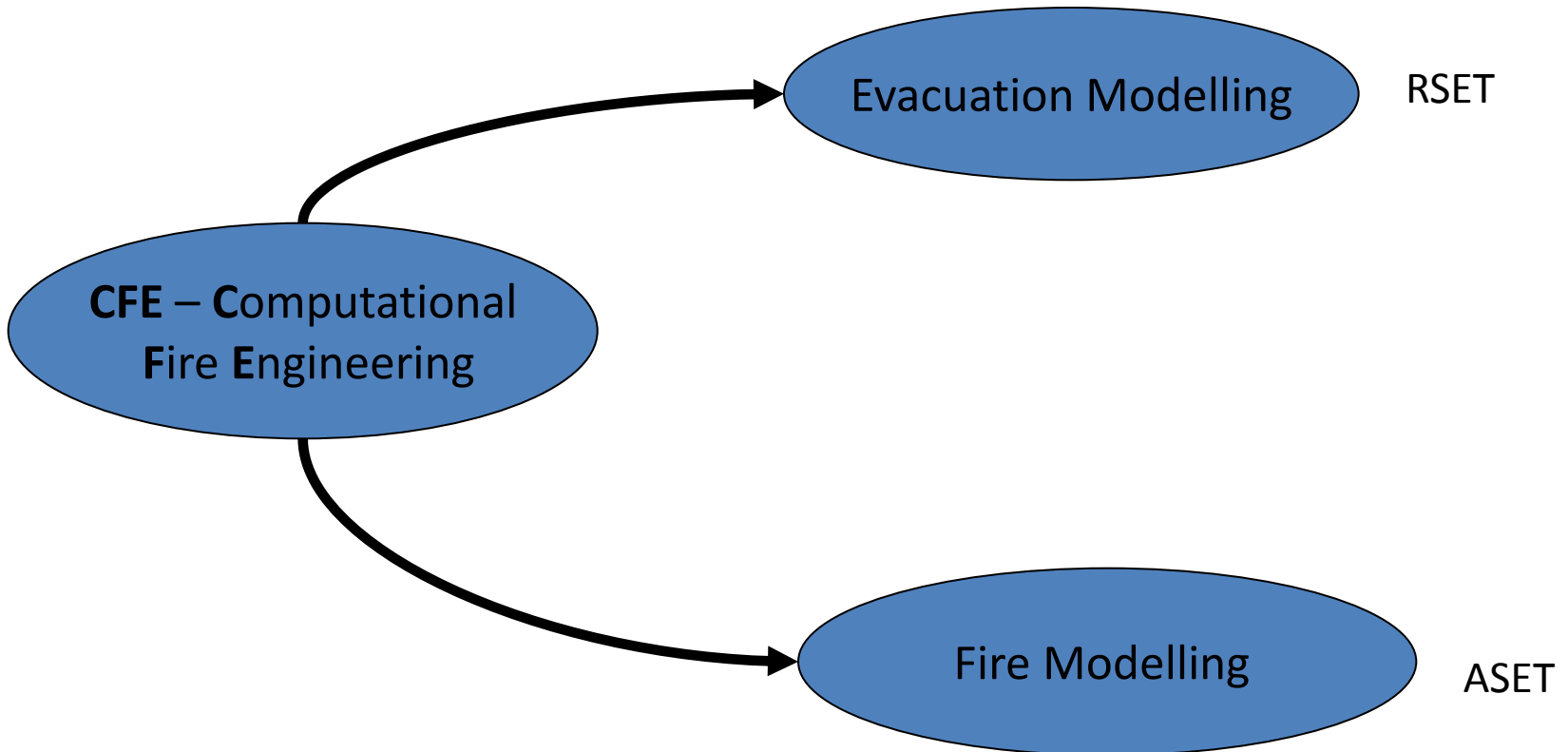
EB – Establishment of the Burning

FRI – Full Room Involvement

\dot{Q} (kW) – maximum burning rate
(taxa de calor máximo)

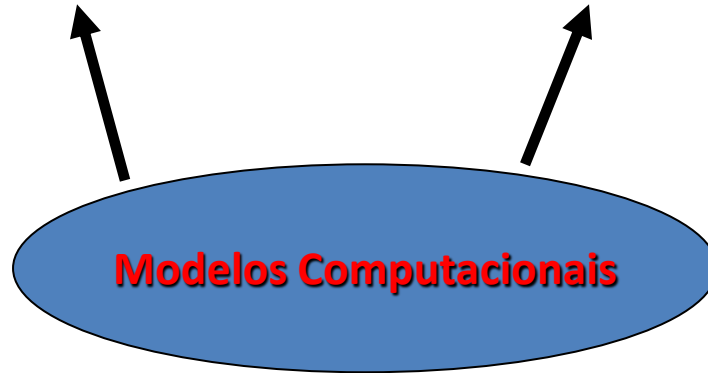
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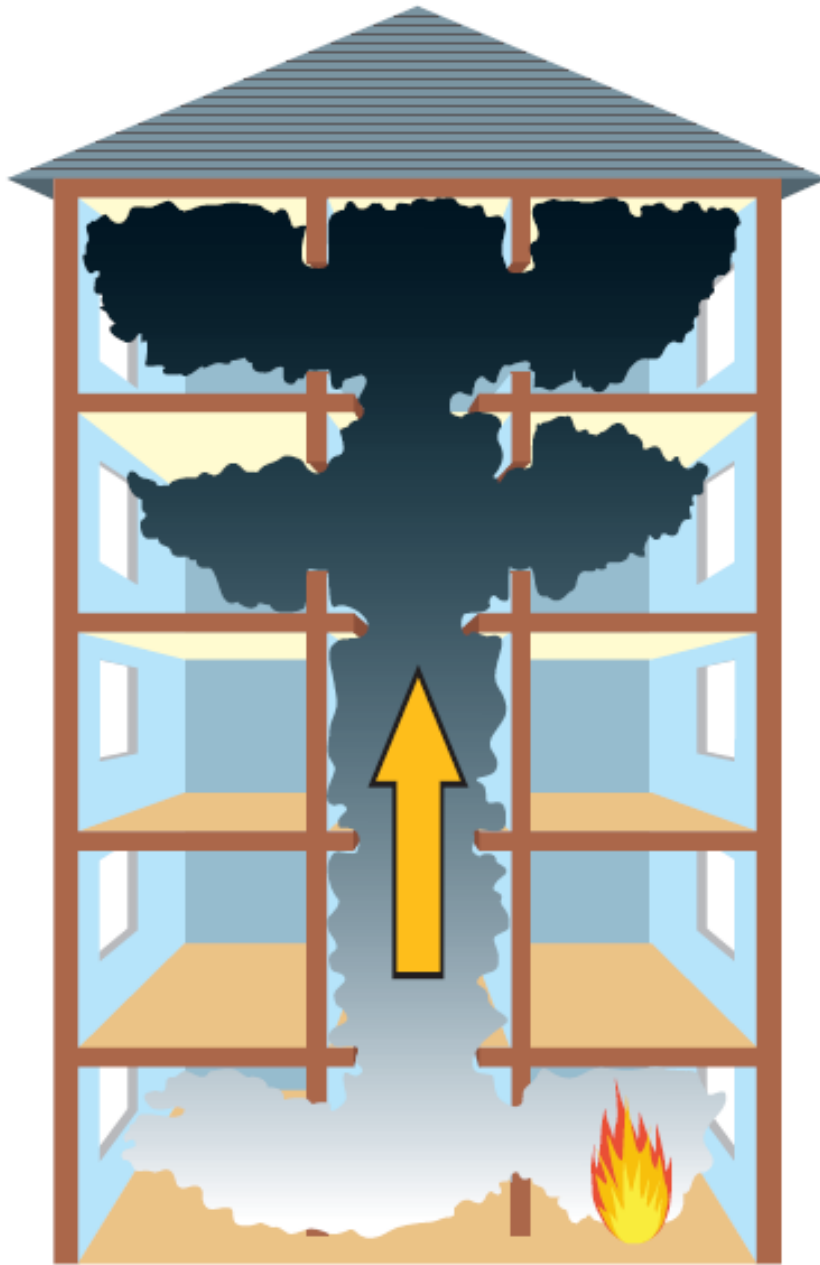
1. Why model?



RSET < ASET

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1. A Brief History of Fire Modelling

- 1960's: First mathematical model for the simulation of fire within compartments (hand calculations)
- 1970's: First Accounts of Field Modelling Published
Computer based zone models developed
- 1980's: First general purpose CFD code developed by CHAM, UK
Fire specific FM begin to be developed
First zone model developed for the Personal Computer
First report of FM being used to explain unknown events – Kings Cross Disaster
- 1990's: Parallel Computer technology developed
One of the largest FM application undertaken at the Millenium Dome
- 2000+ Improvements in the speed and capacity of Personal Computers makes FM available to a wider community of FSE's

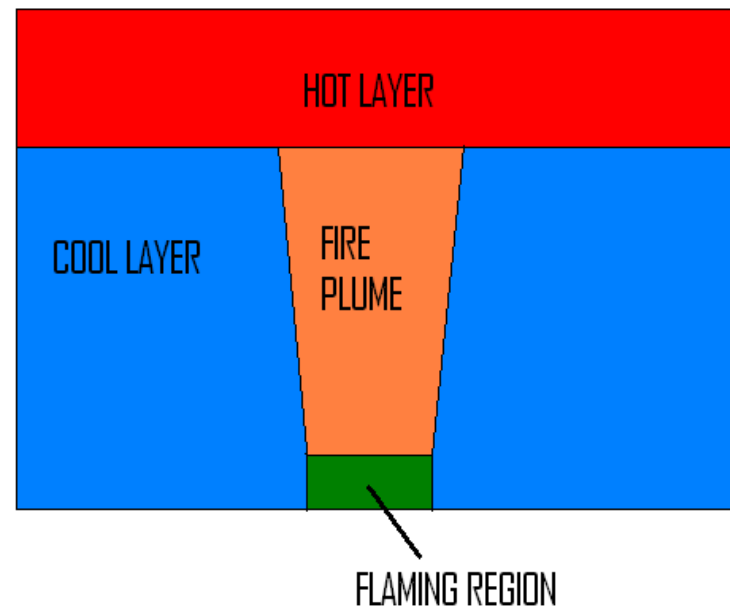
2. Types of Fire Models

Two main types of fire models

- ZONE MODELS
- FIELD MODELS or COMPUTATIONAL FLUID DYNAMICS (CFD) MODELS

Zone Models

- Based largely on empirical data
- Two dimensional
- Core assumption- compartments are rectangular and have flat ceilings
- Divide room into two distinct zones – Hot and Cool
- Each zone is homogeneous – gradients do not develop within layers
- The hot layer increases in mass and descends to the floor in a uniform manner
- Generally conserve Mass and Energy
- Do not conserve Momentum, therefore, can not predict gas velocities or effect of momentum on plume development etc.
- Simple calculations which can be performed in seconds on any PC.
- Are still used in the design process today



Some existing Zone Models

FPETOOL

JET

CFAST

FIRST

COMPF2

BRANZFIRE

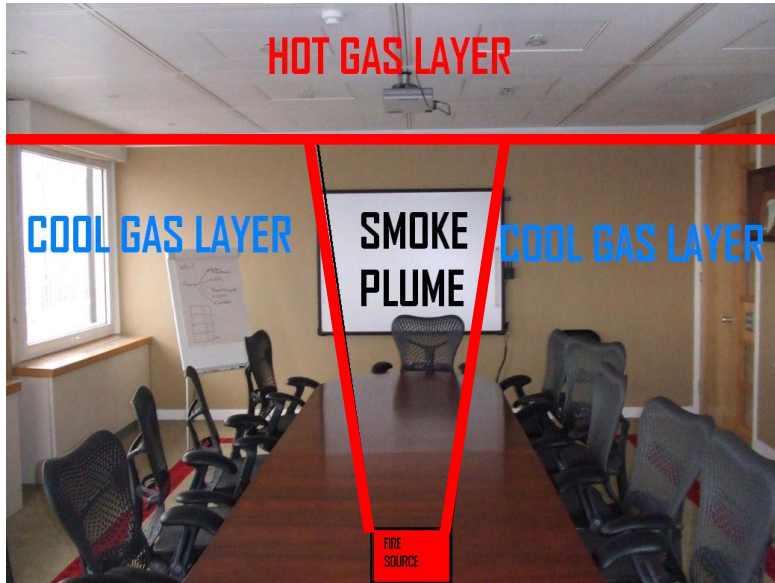
ASET

Zone models - conclusions

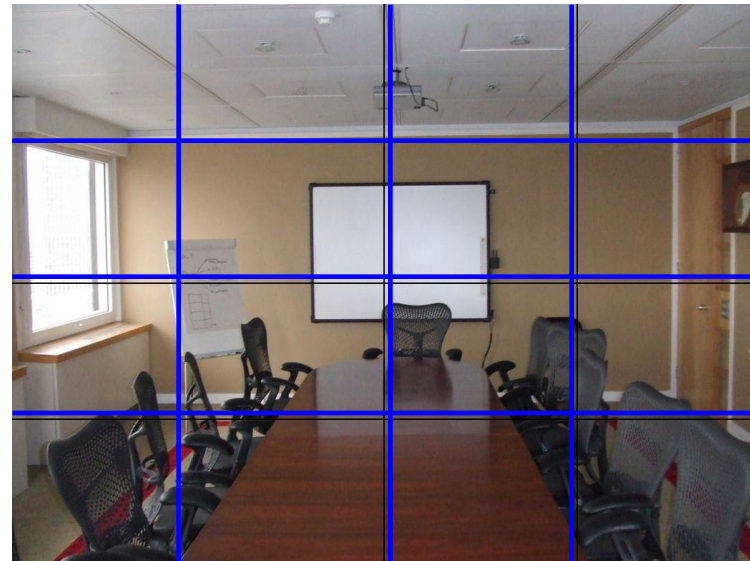
- Simple to use
- Simulations are fast (a matter of seconds)
- Only valid for certain size geometries and certain scenarios
- Assumes flat ceilings and rectangular rooms
- The limitations of zone models must be fully understood by the user.

Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)

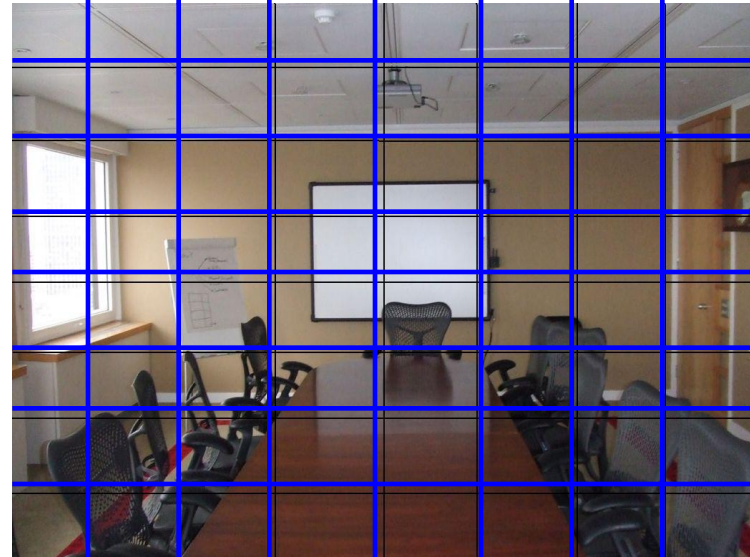
- Used in Aerospace, Automotive and other engineering professions
- Provides a three dimensional, time dependant solution to the conservation laws (mass, energy, momentum and chemical species).
- Lots of Maths are simplified through a process known as discretisation.
- Discretisation is achieved by sub-dividing the physical space into 1000's of smaller control volumes
- A set of Algebraic equations are then solved for each variable across every volume. This process is then repeated for each time step.
- E.g. A CFD model containing 10 dependant variables and 100,000 volumes in a simulation running over 300 seconds requires the solution of 300 million equations.



Zone Model

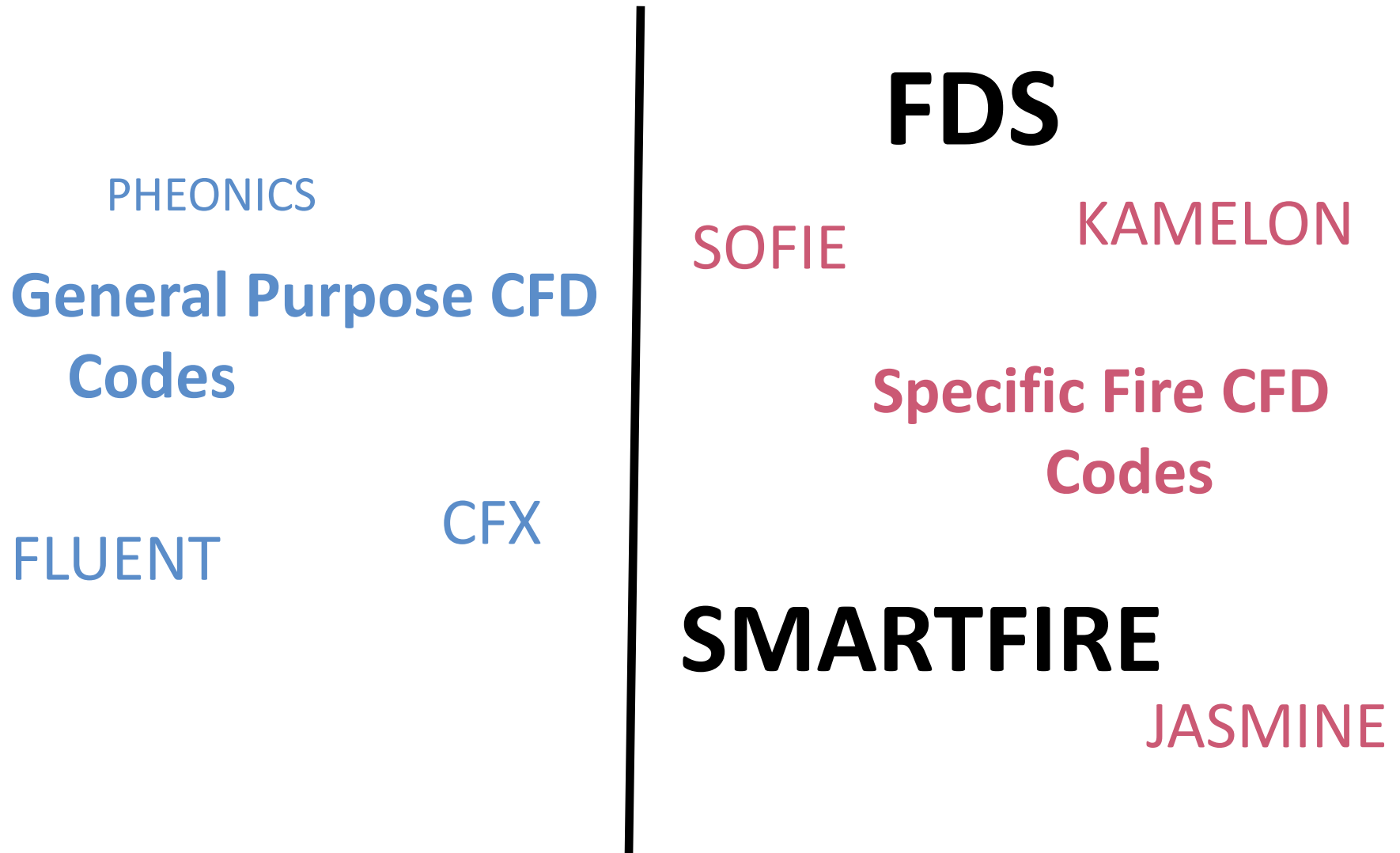


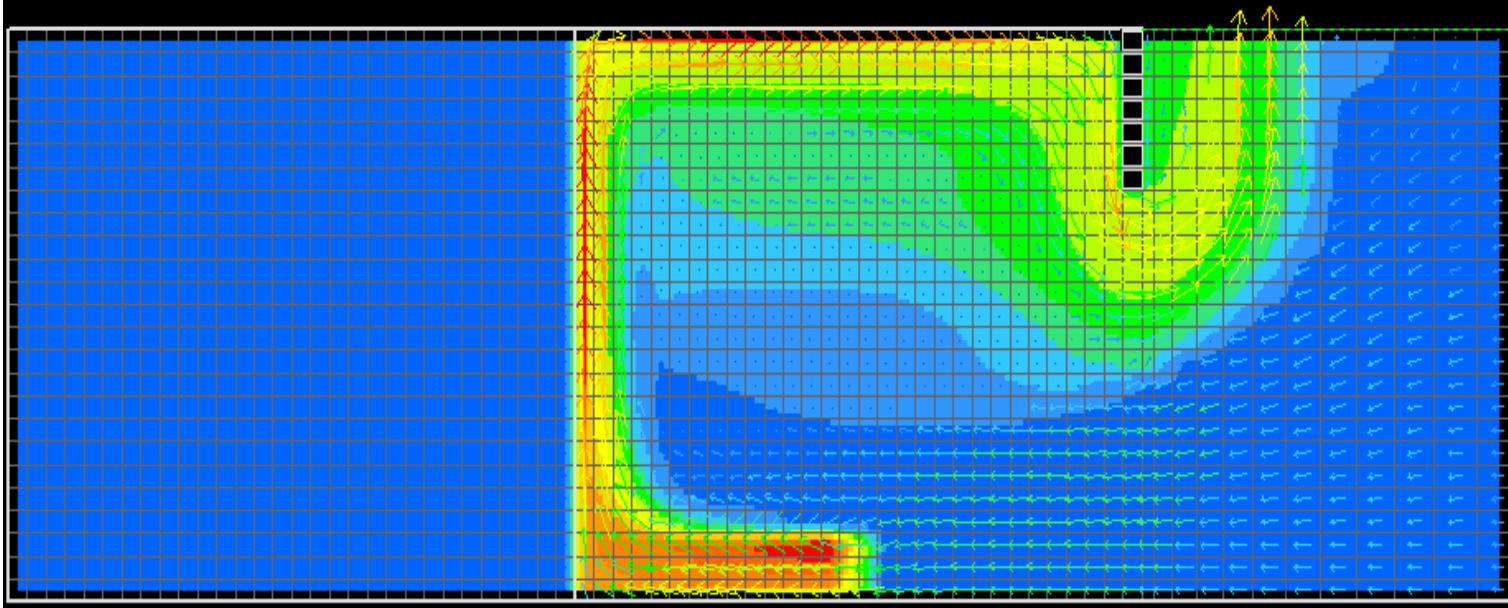
CFD – Course Mesh



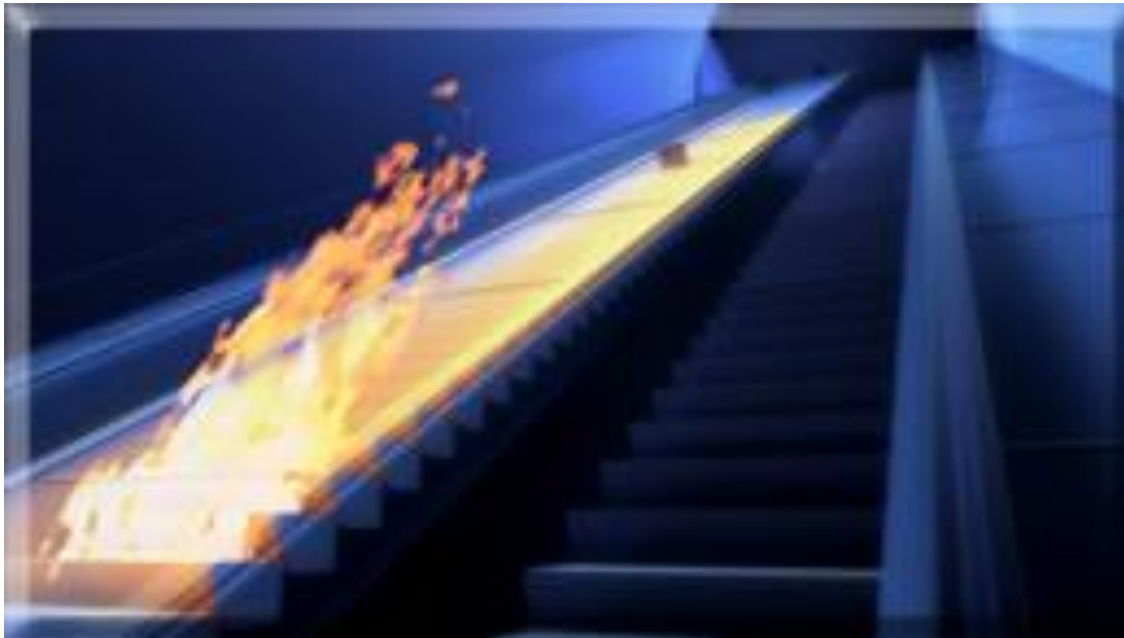
CFD – Fine Mesh

Some existing CFD Models





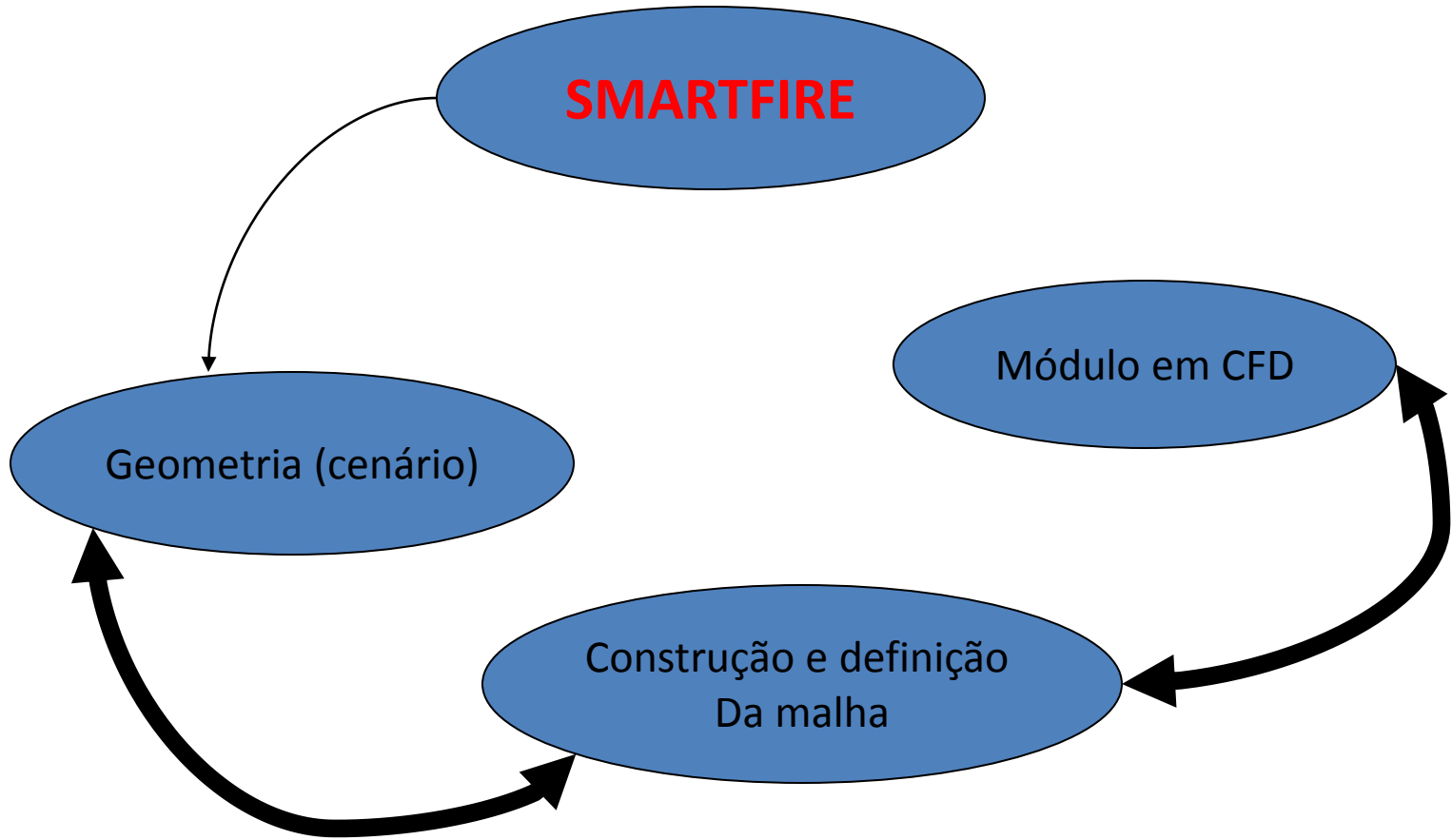
Variáveis: momento, pressão, radiação, entalpia, etc...



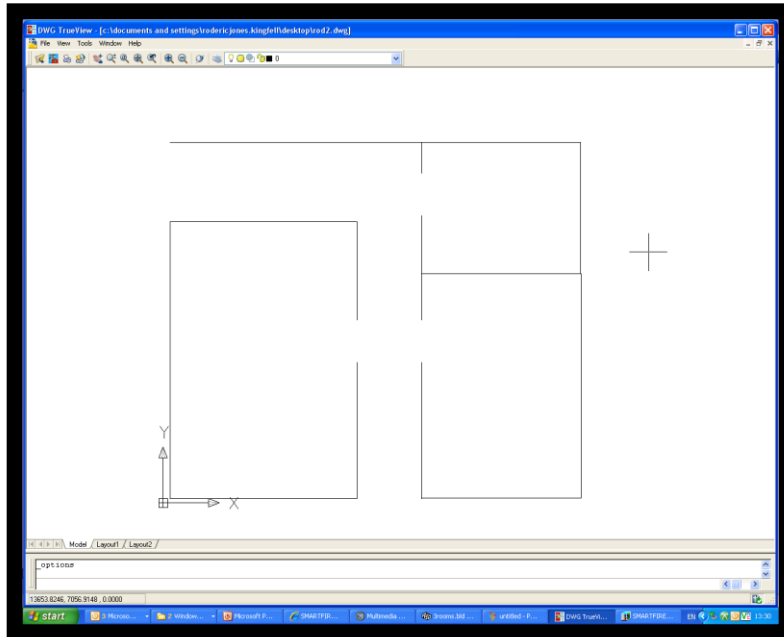
3. Zone Models v CFD

	Zone modelling	CFD
Simple rectangular geometries.	✓	✓
Complex geometries.	x	✓
Conserves mass, energy and momentum.	x	✓
Quick to setup and run.	✓	x
Accuracy of the results can be increased.	x	✓
Specialist knowledge and understanding required.	✓	✓

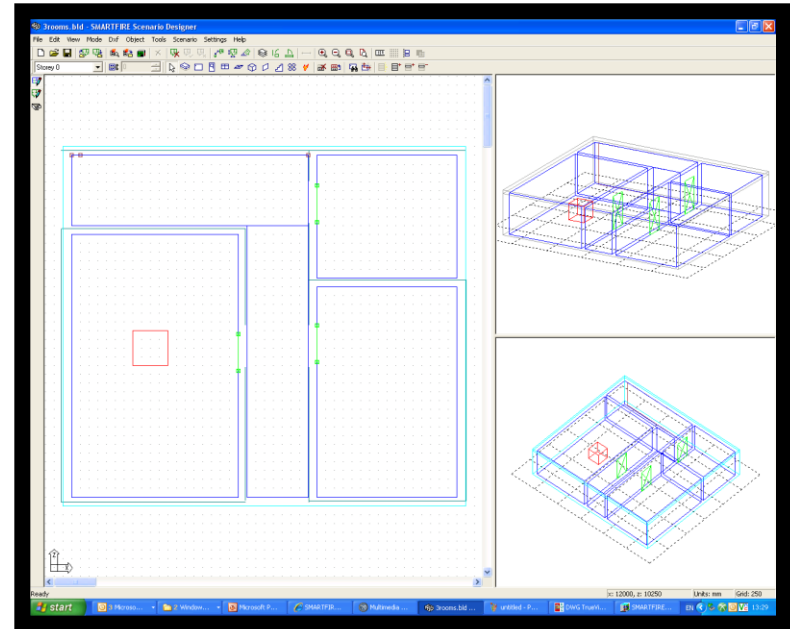
SMARTFIRE



Scenario Designer

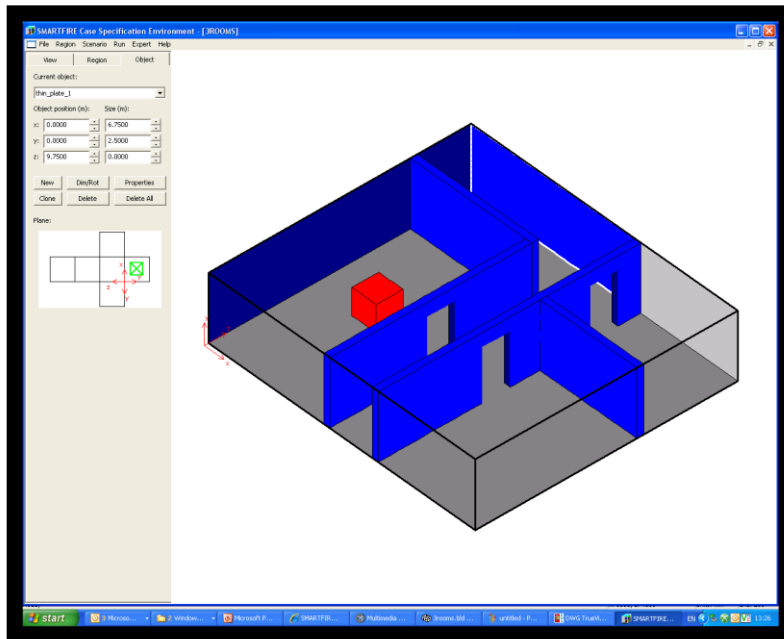


STEP 1: IMPORT CAD FILE (2D
IMAGE OF GEOMETRY)

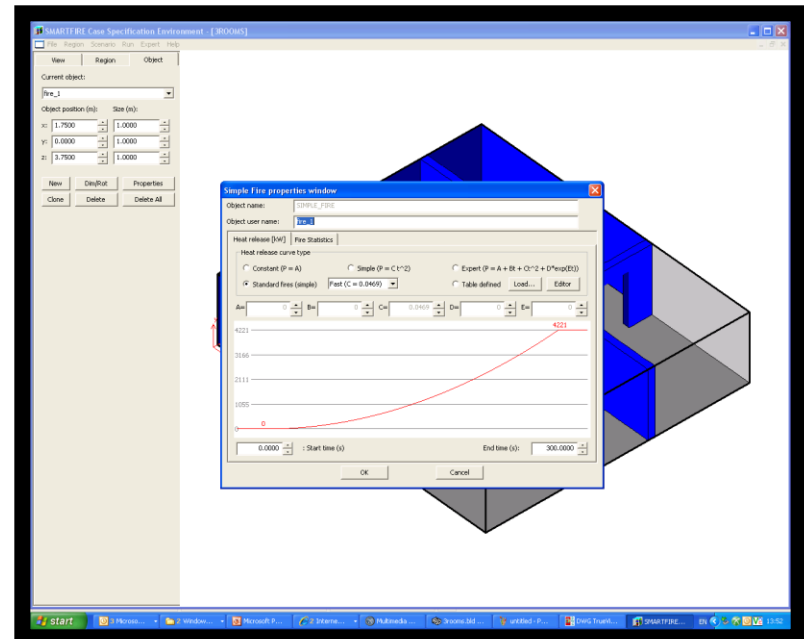


STEP 2: CREATE SCENARIO →
PRODUCE 3D GEOMETRY

Case Specification Environment

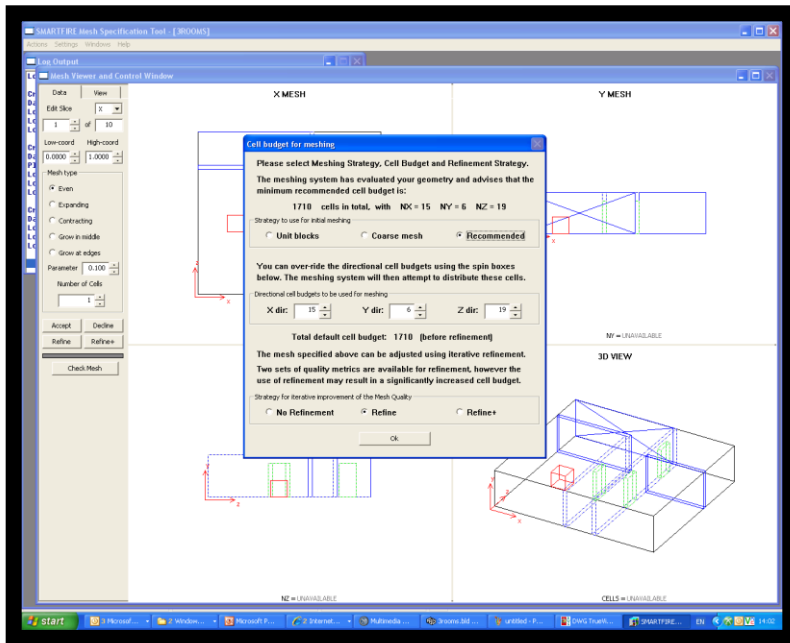


STEP 3: EXPORT THE 3D GEOMETRY TO THE CSE

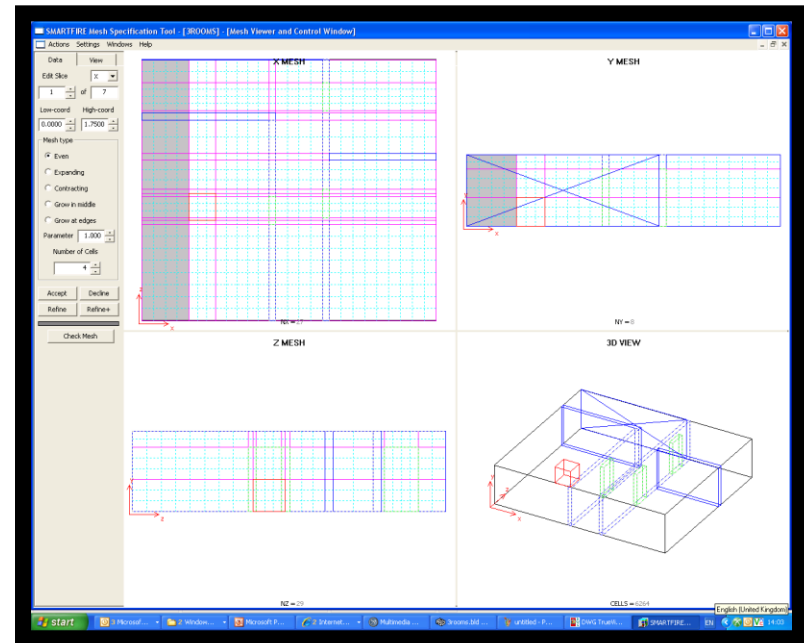


STEP 4: SPECIFY FIRE, SMOKE AND OTHER PARAMETERS

Automated Meshing System

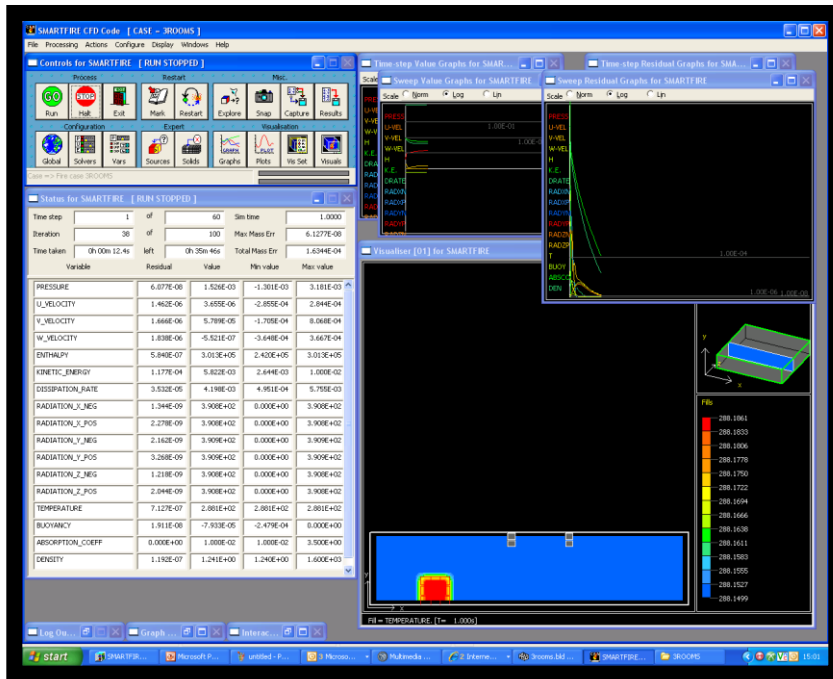


STEP 5: CHOOSE THE DENSITY OF THE MESH

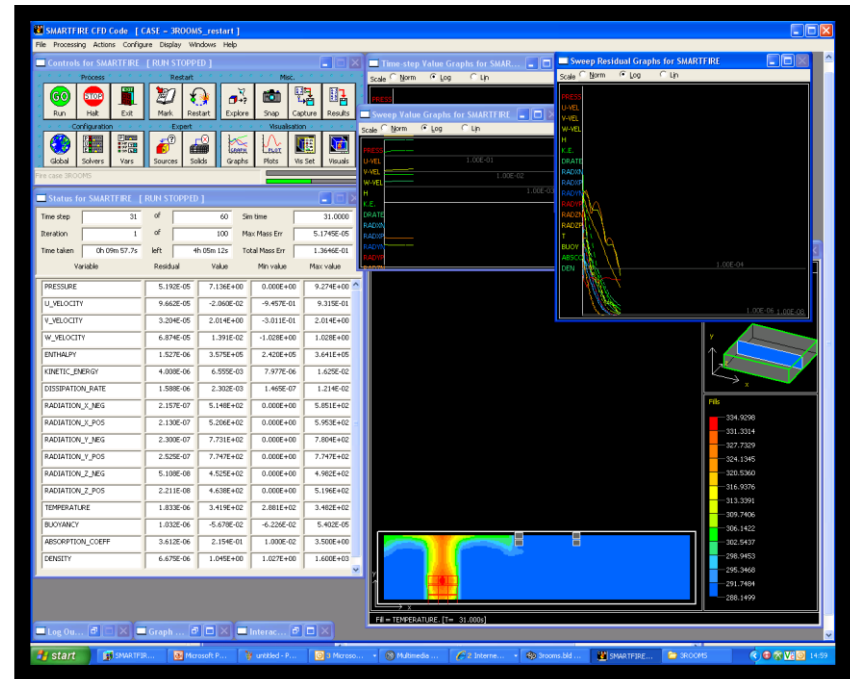


STEP 6: CHECK, MANUALLY CHANGE AND ACCEPT MESH

Interactive CFD Engine

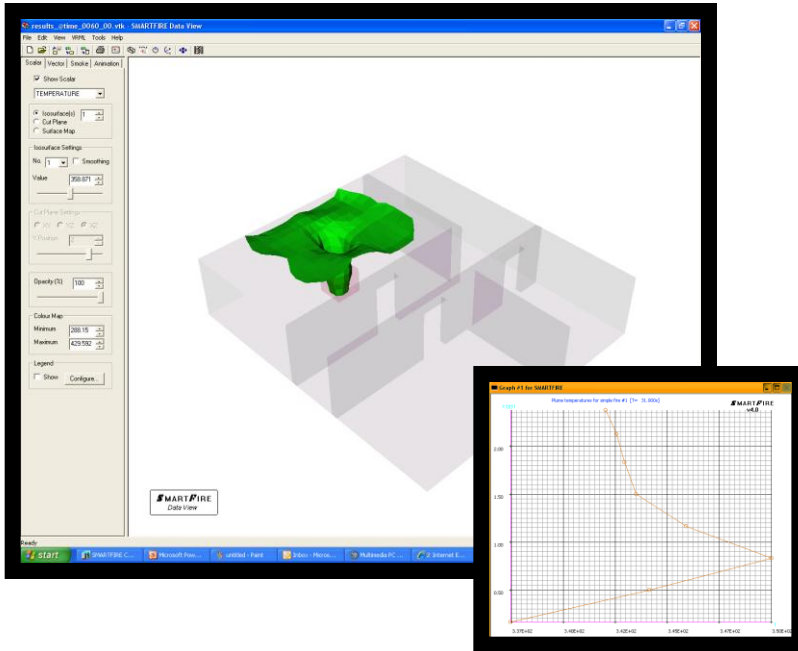


STEP 7: EXPORT TO CFD ENGINE

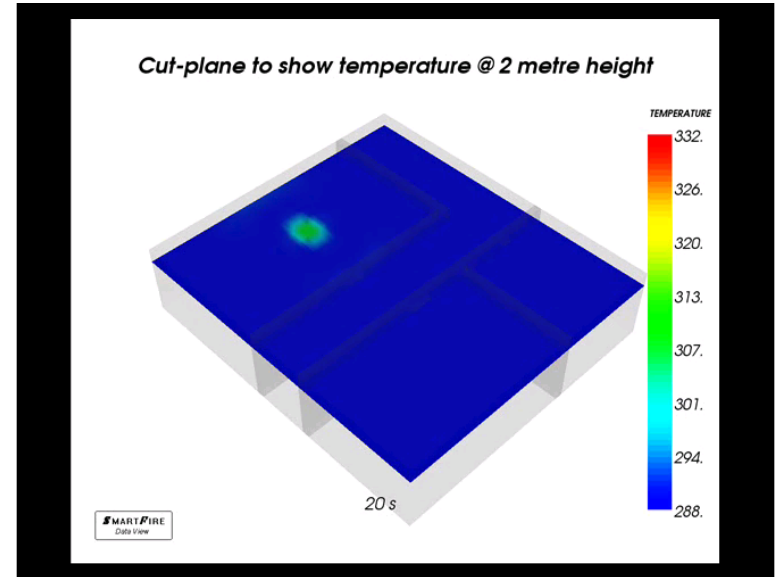


STEP 8: RUN SIMULATION AND CHECK TO ENSURE CONVERGENCE

Data Viewer

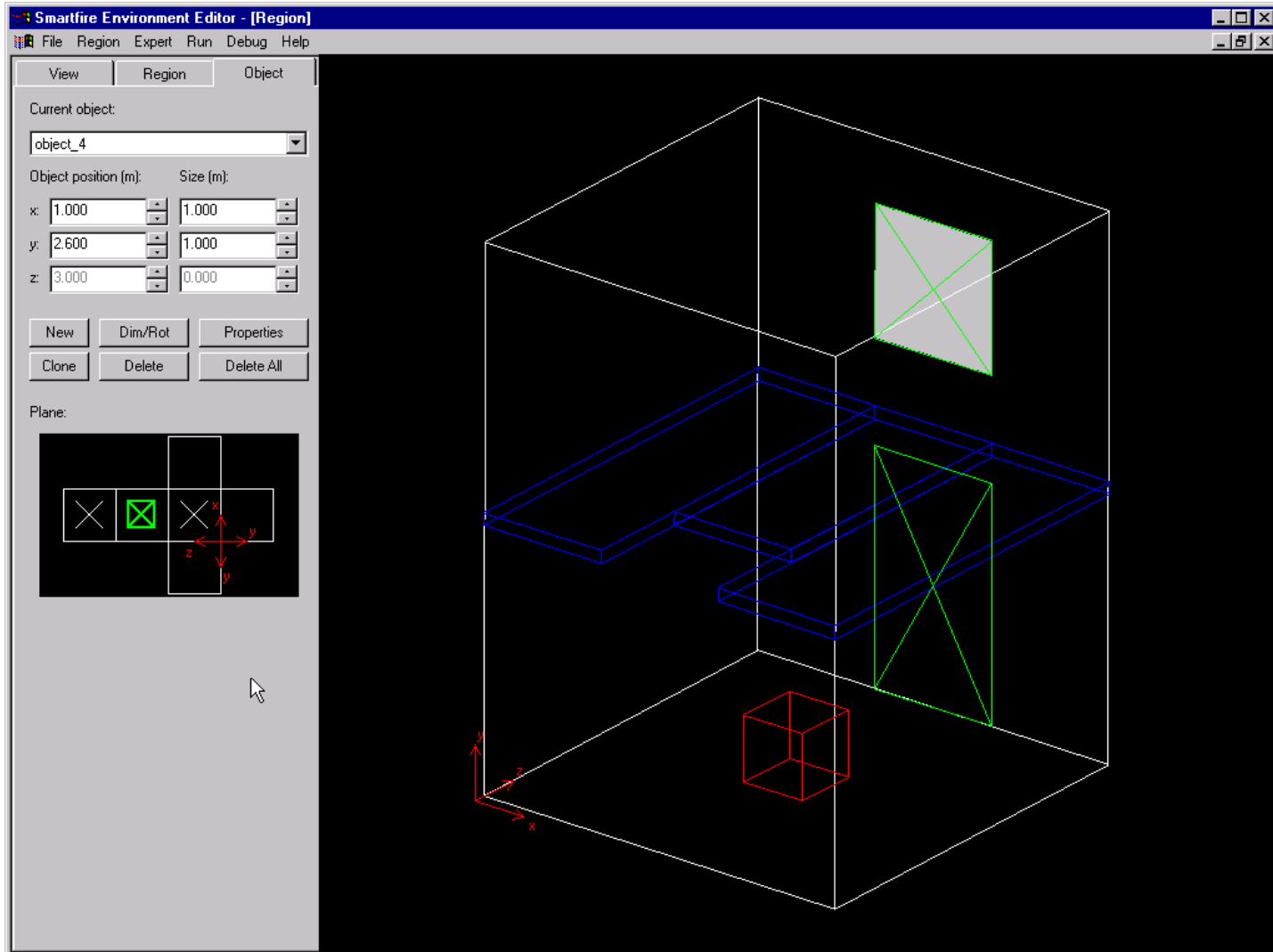


STEP 9: LOAD RESULTS INTO THE DATA VIEWER FOR ANALYSIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH GRAPH DATA

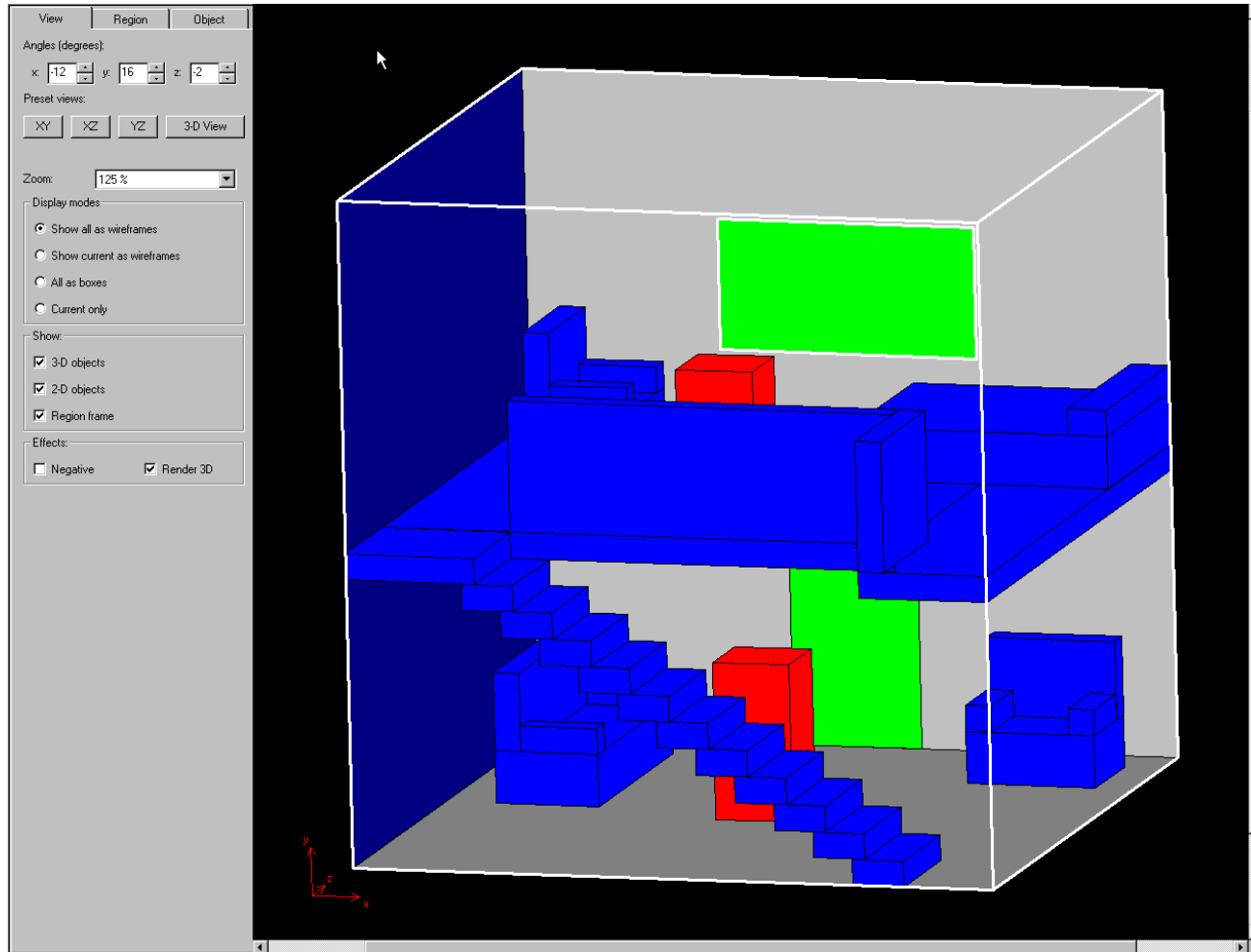


STEP 10: CREATE VIDEOS FOR VISUALISATION AND PRESENTATION TO CLIENT

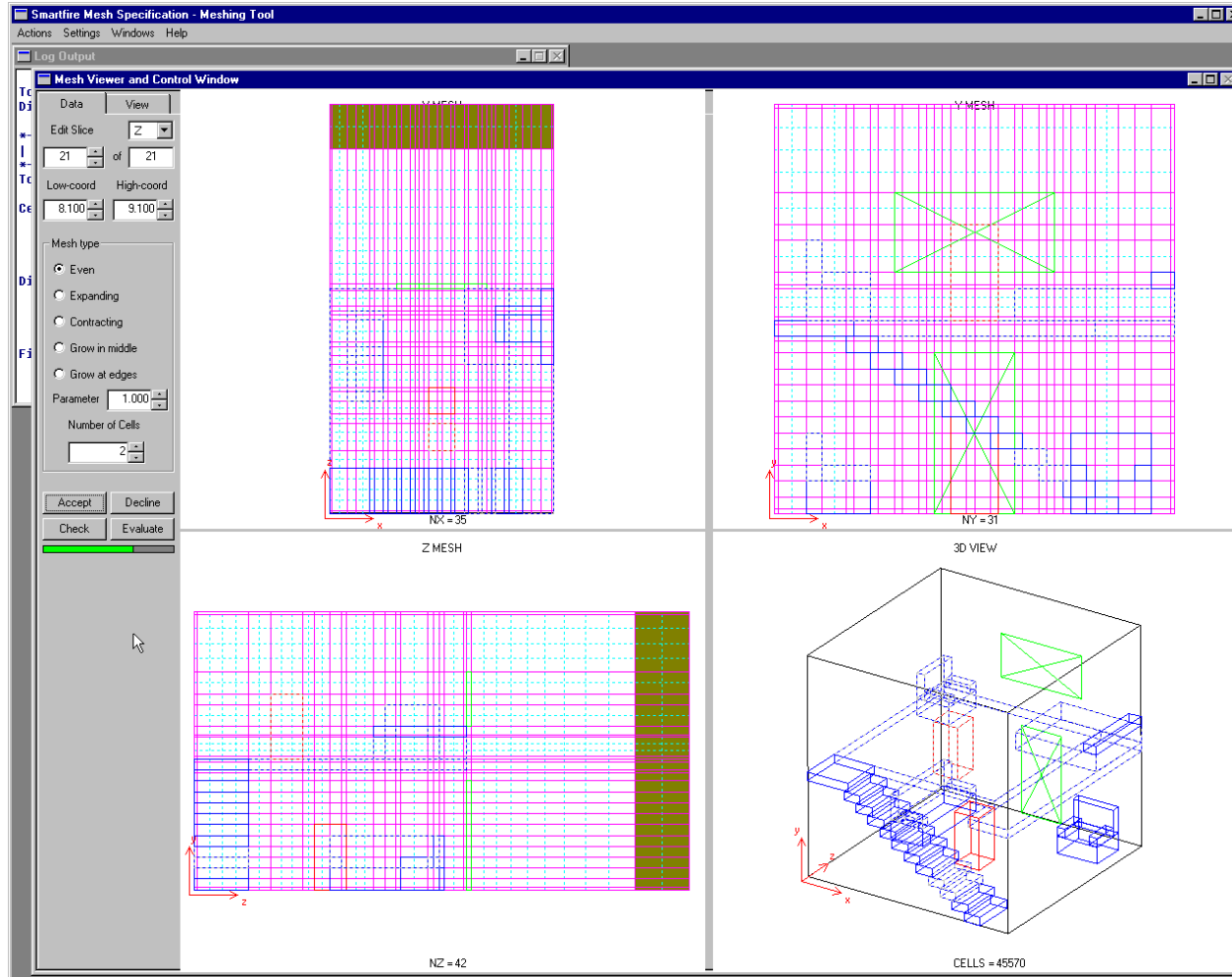
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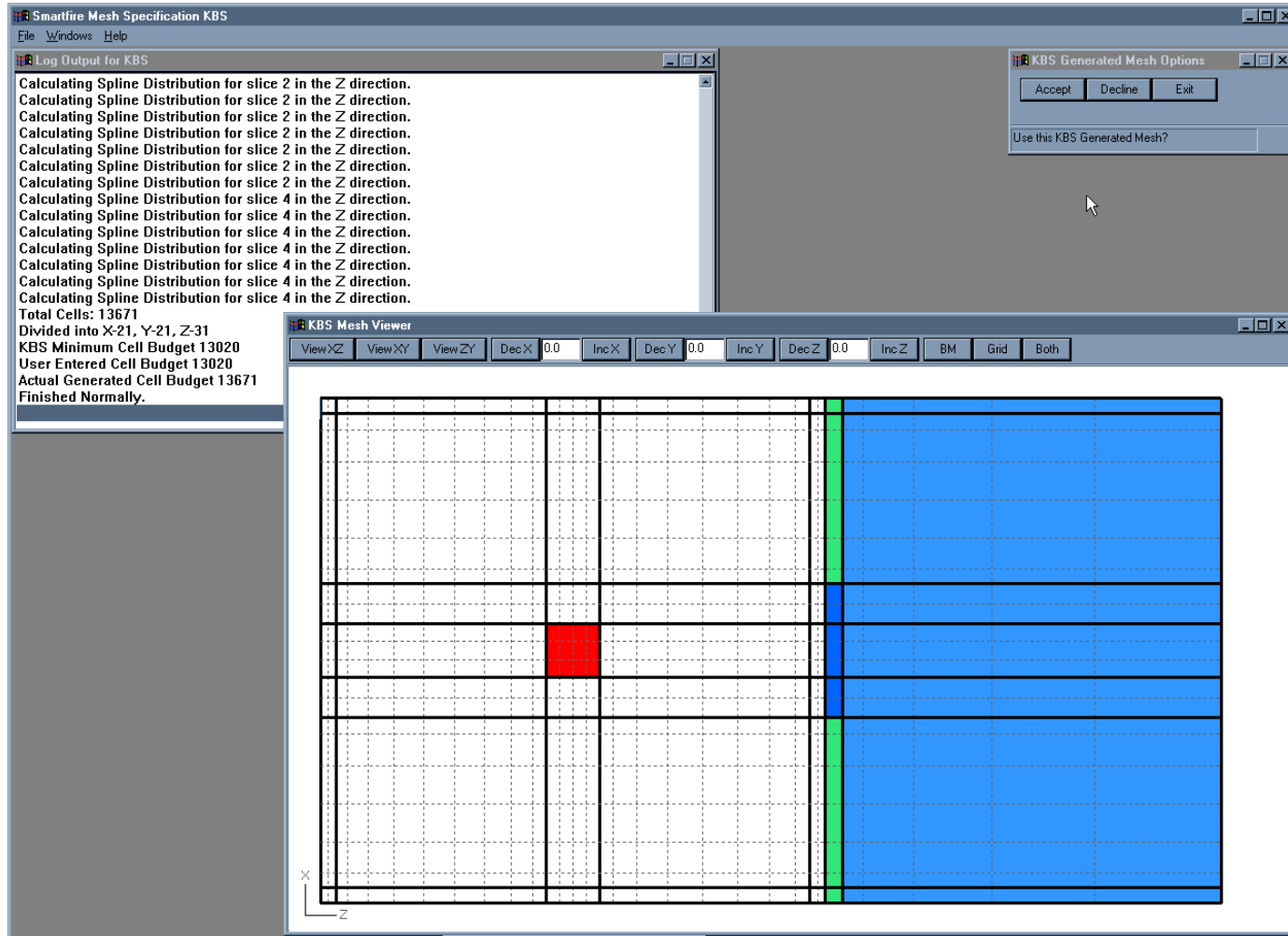
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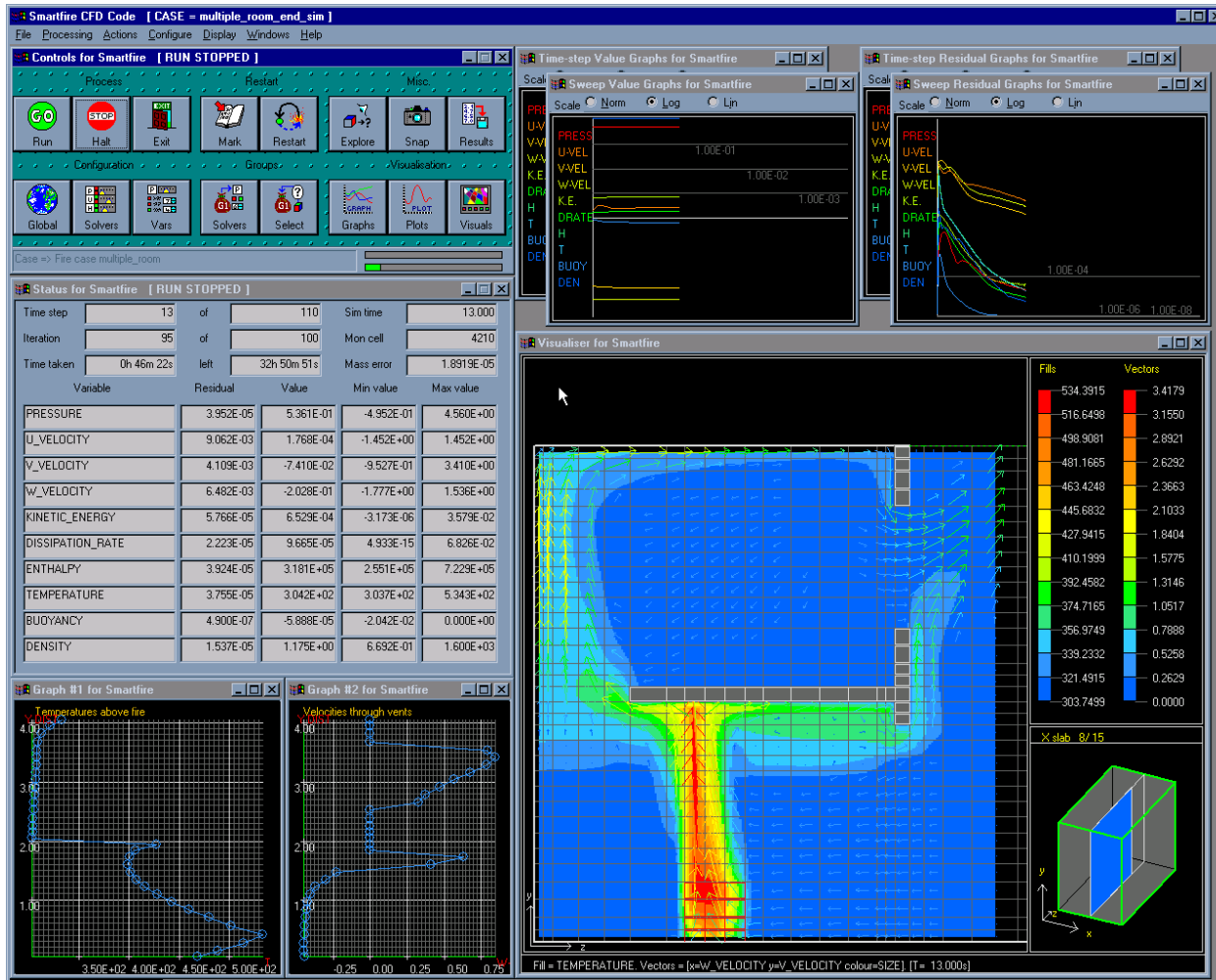
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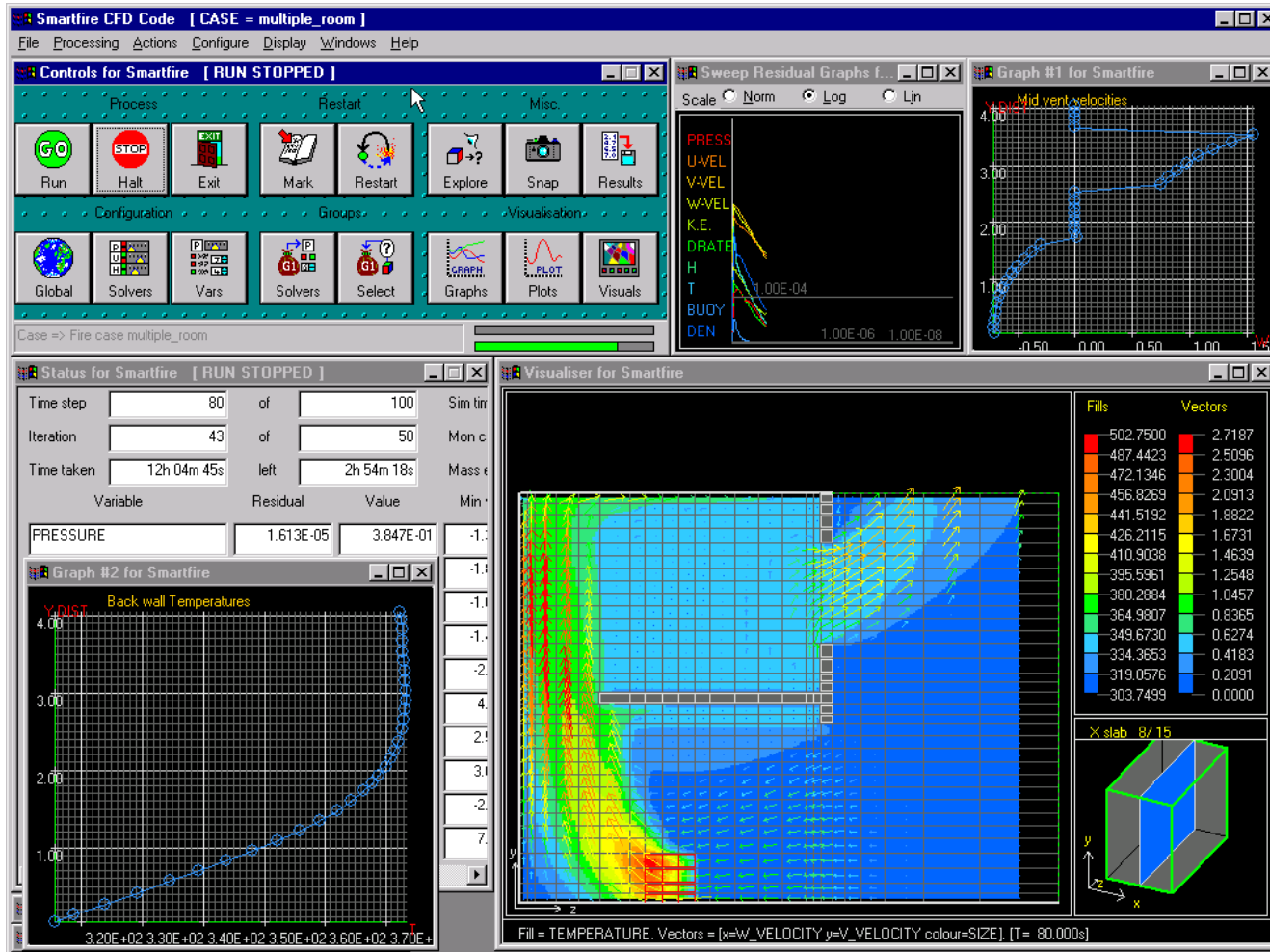
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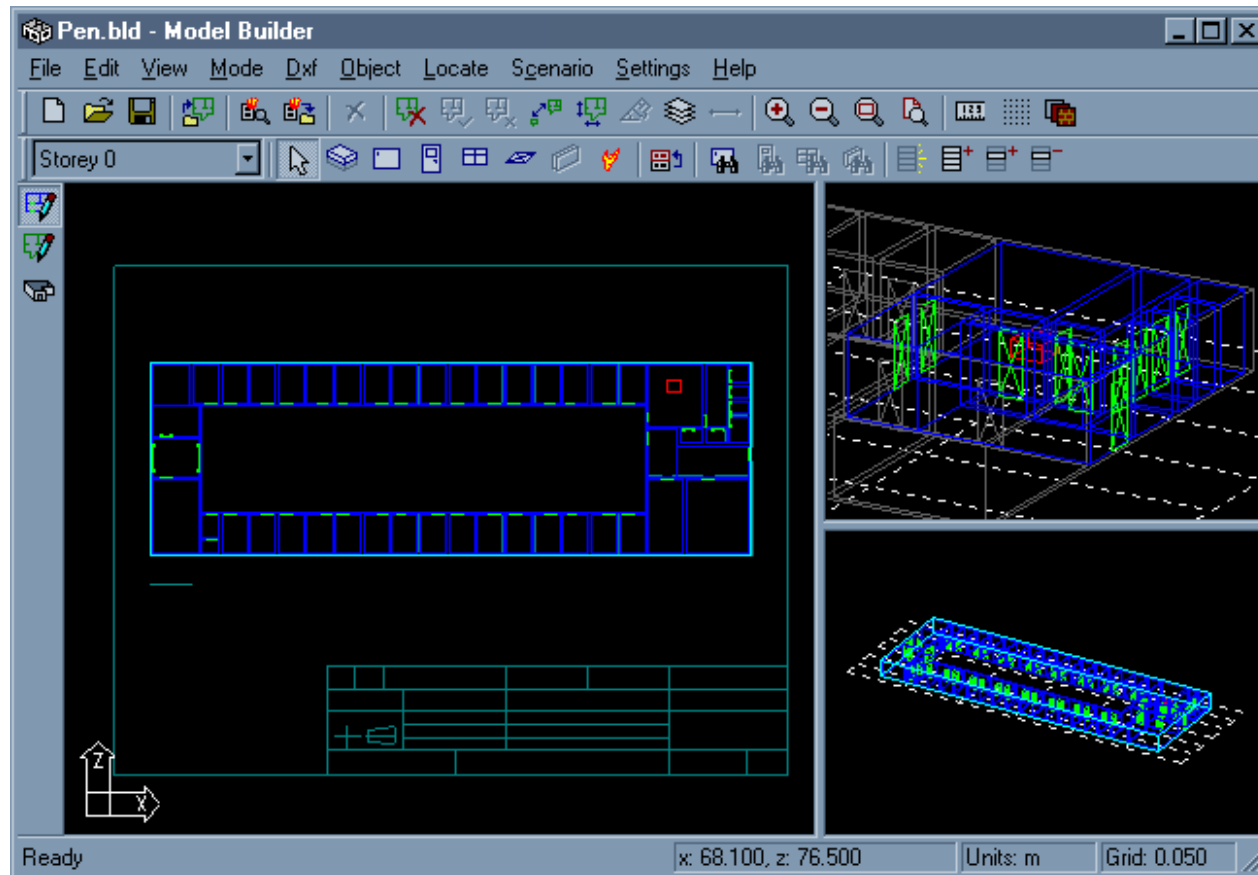
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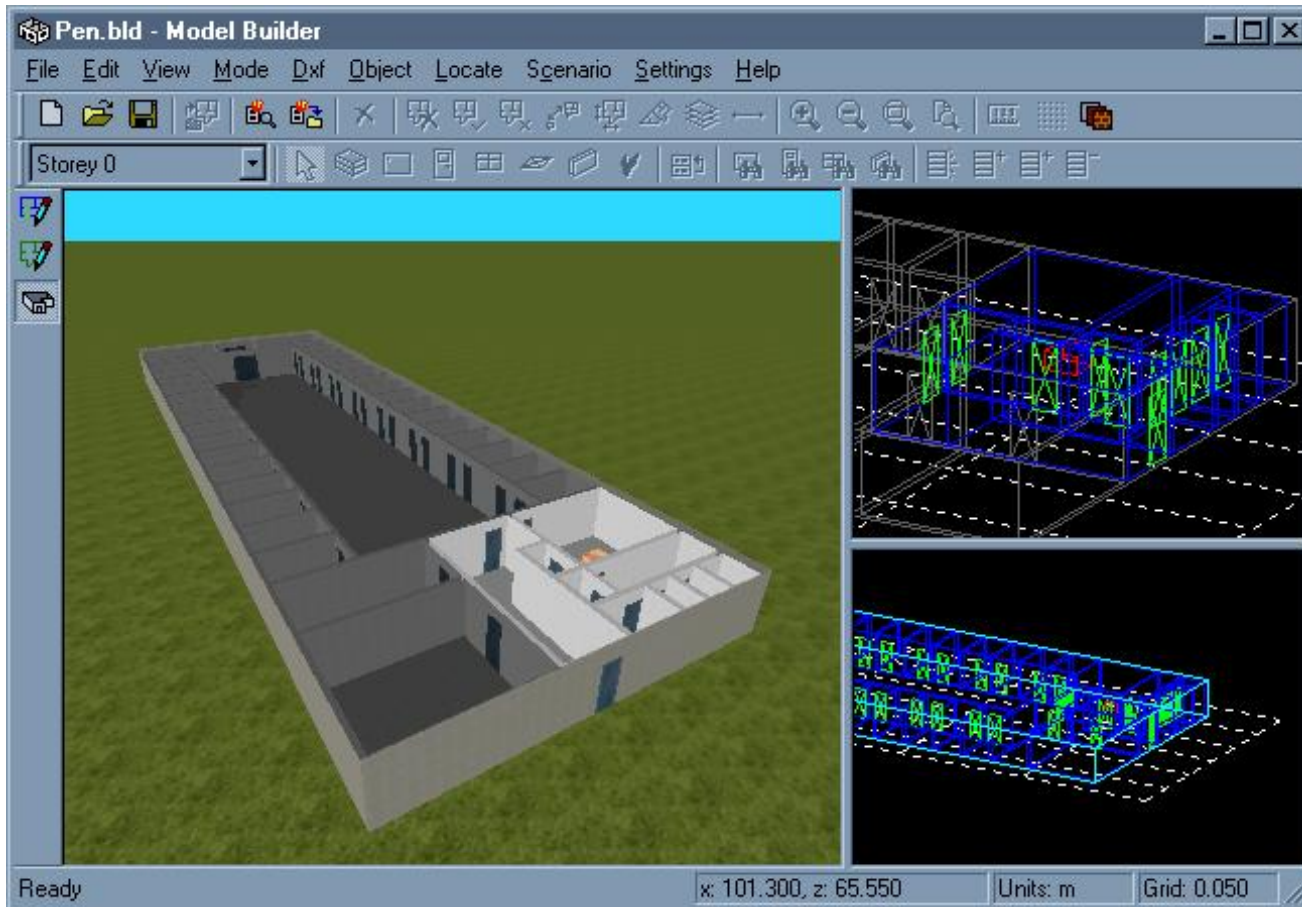
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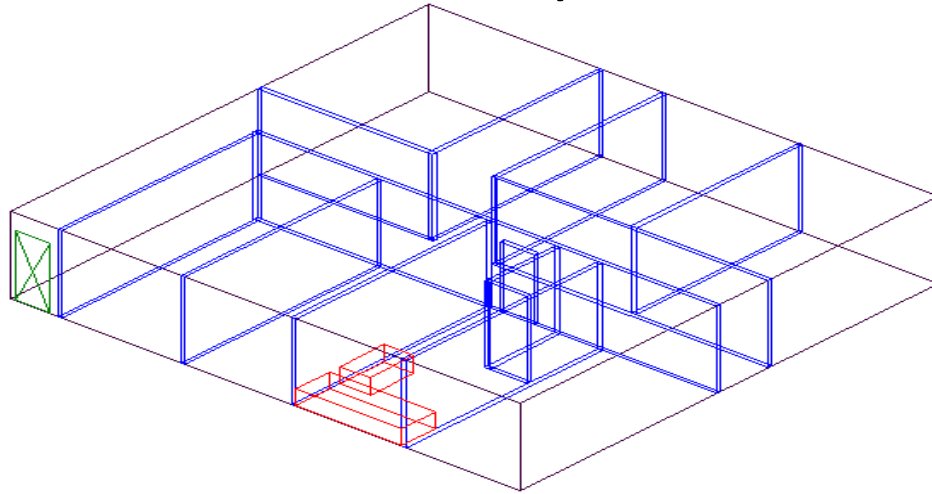
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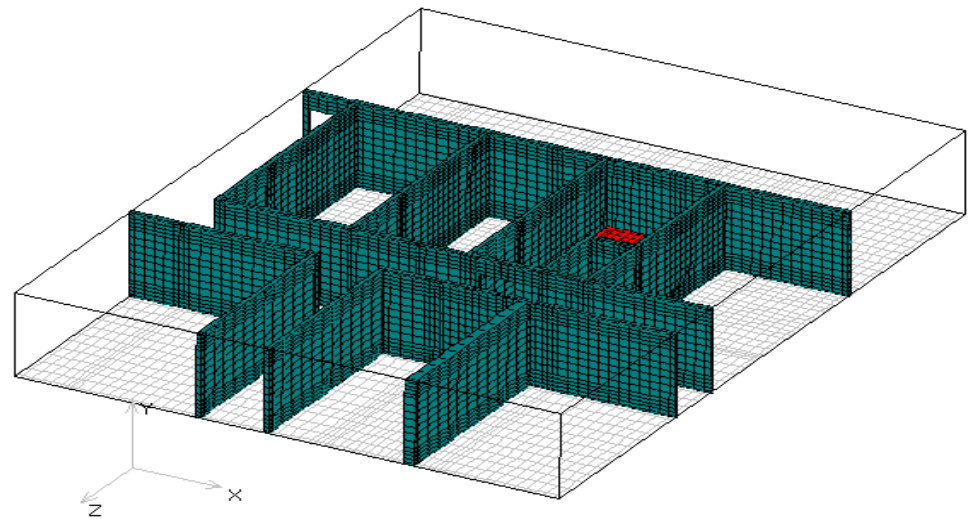
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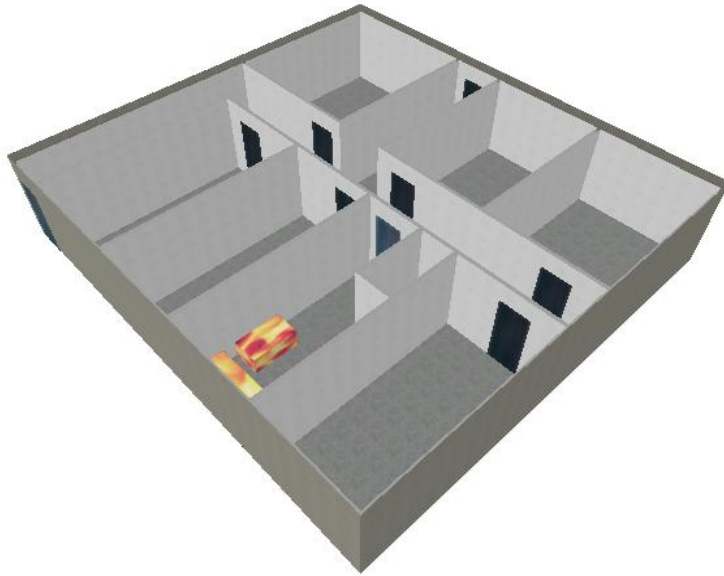


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o SMARTFIRE

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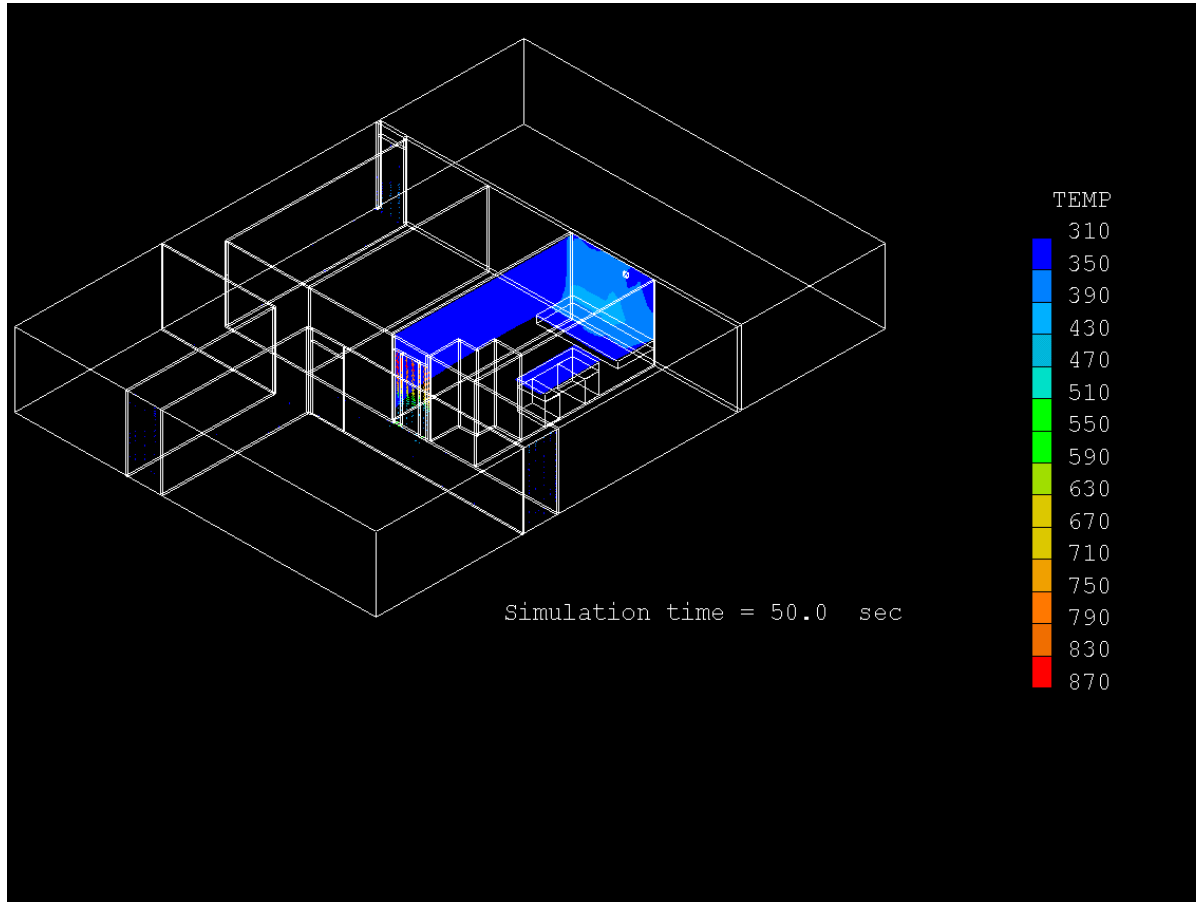


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perspectiva**

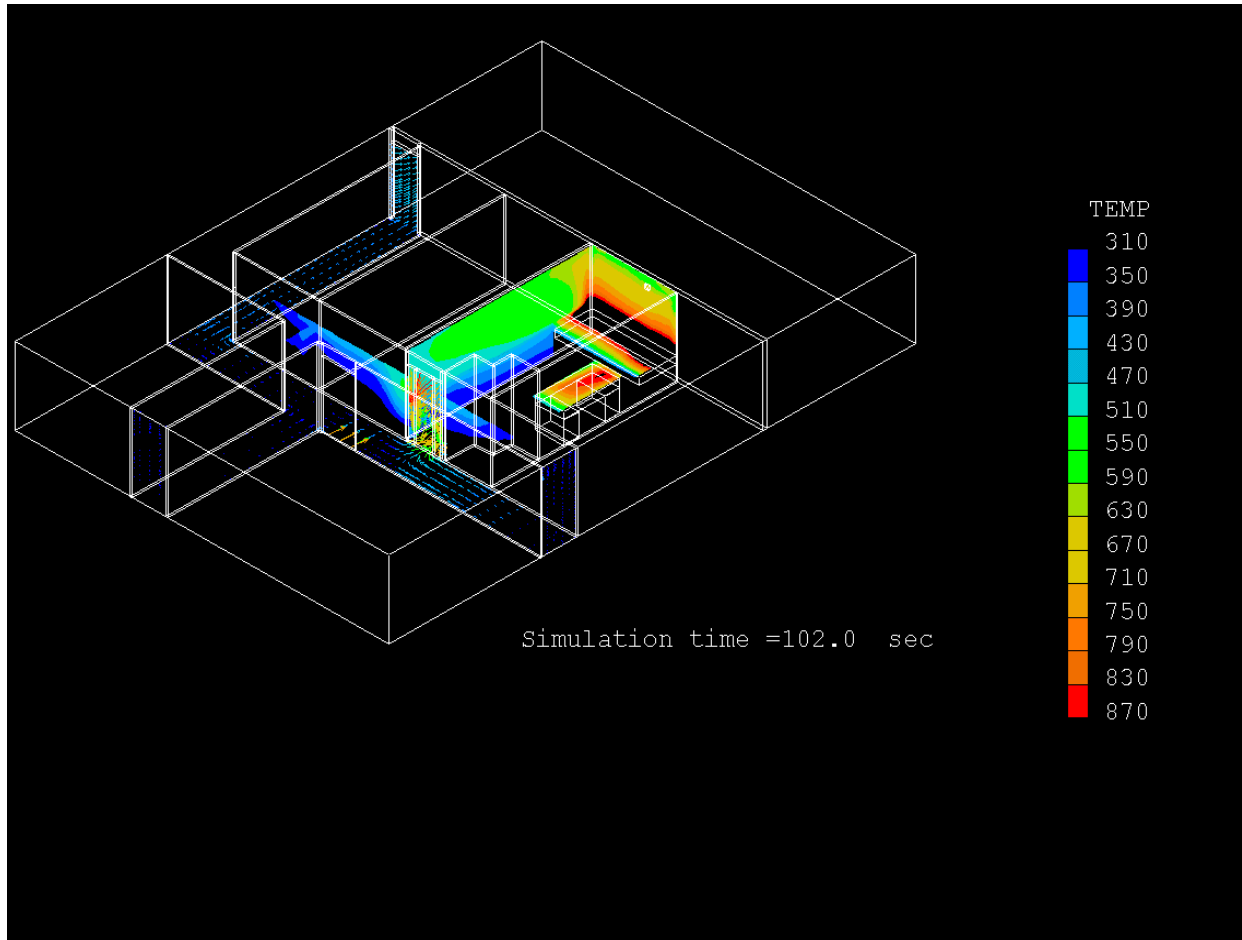


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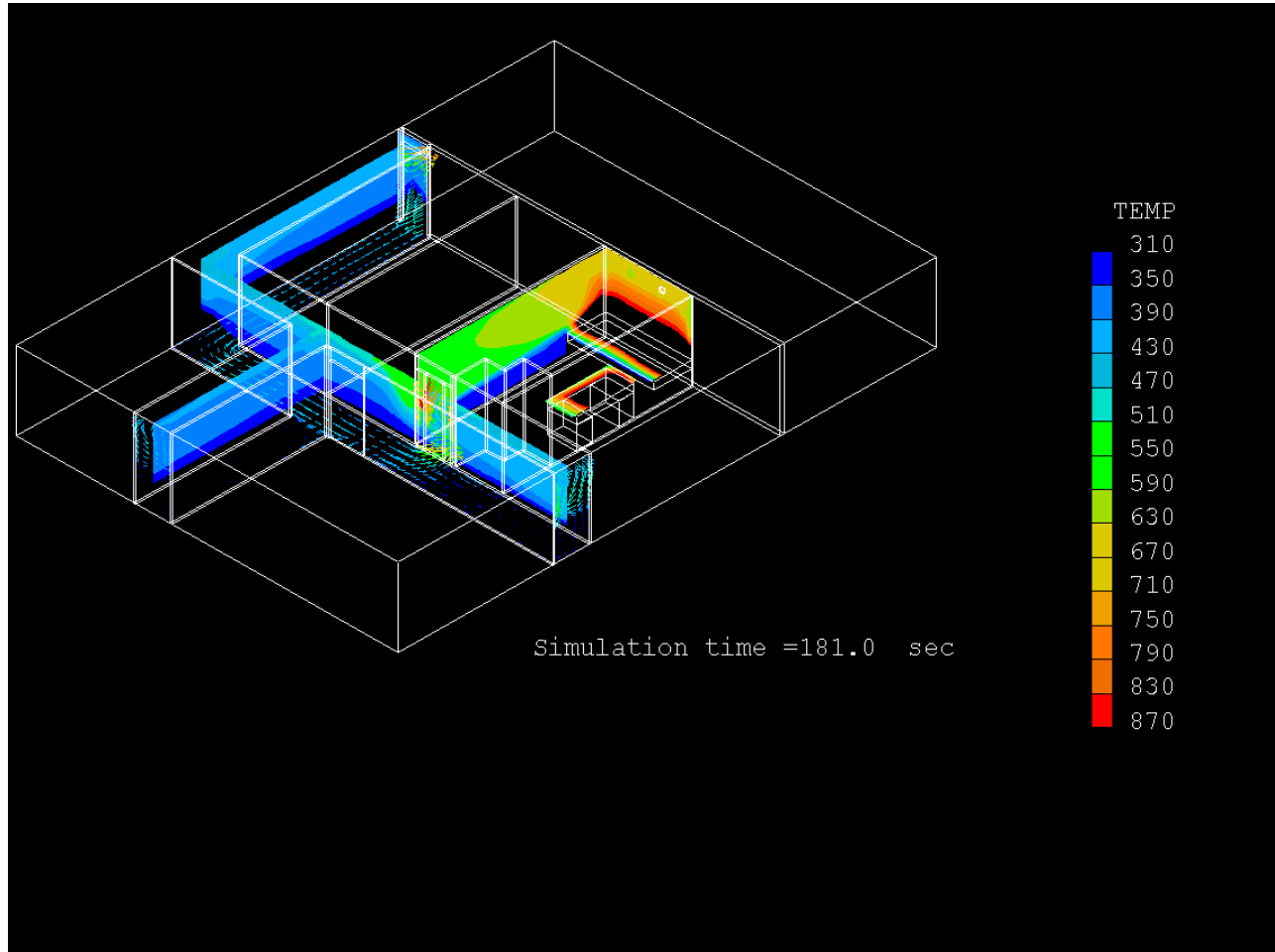
Pequeno exemplo



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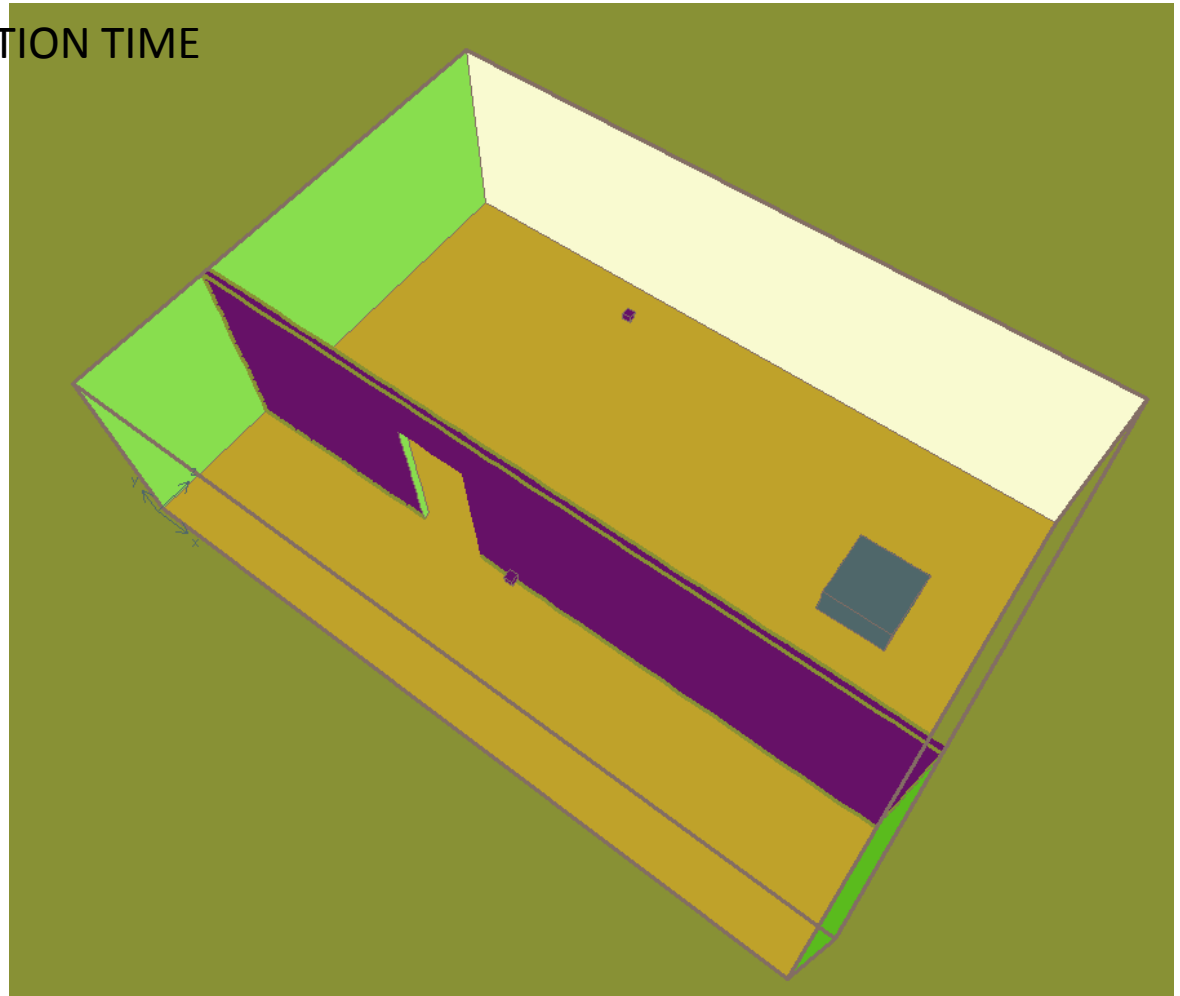
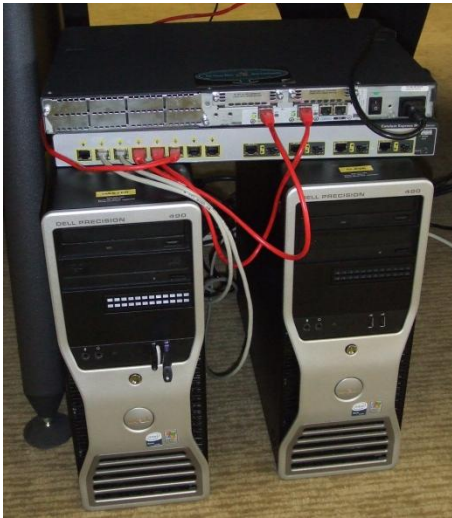


Algumas aplicações

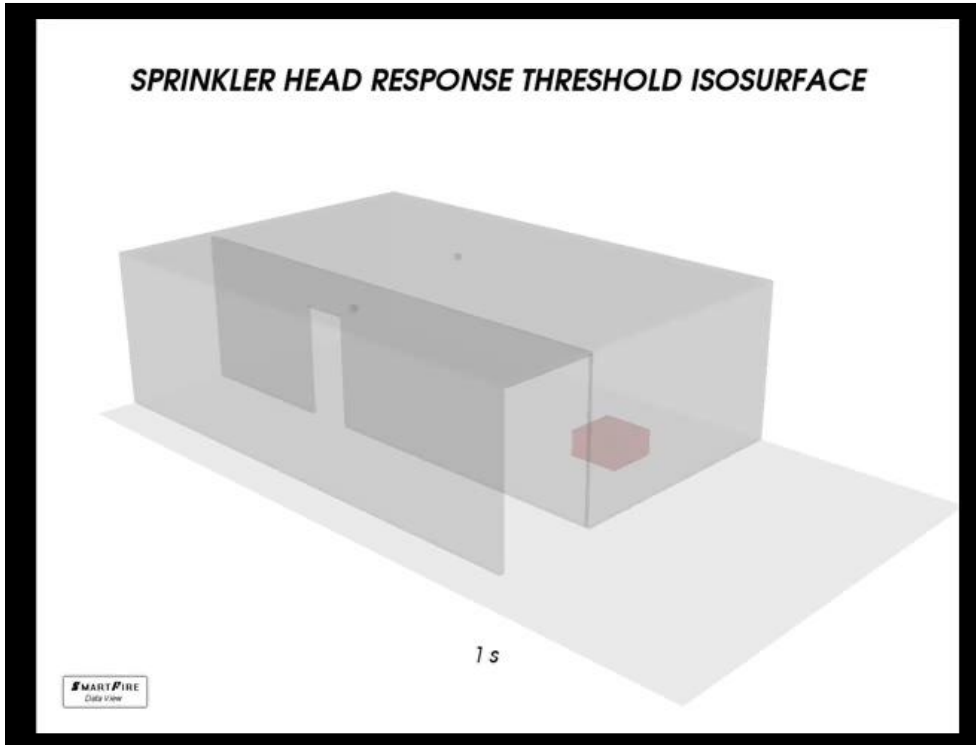
EXAMPLE 1

FIRE IN A SMALL SERVER ROOM

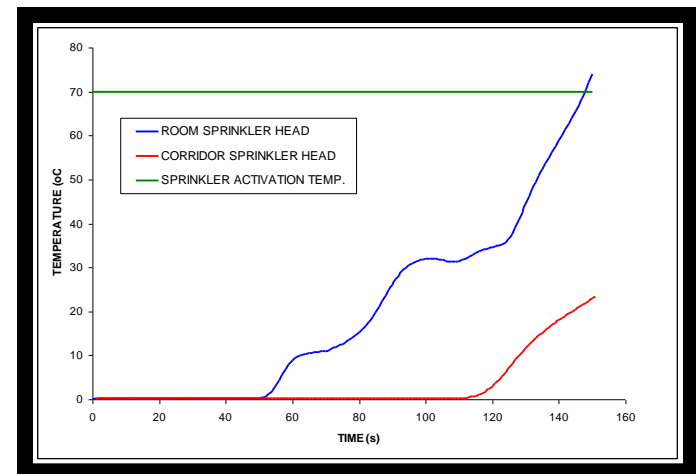
- SPRINKLER ACTIVATION TIME
- SMOKE DETECTOR ACTIVATION TIME
- COINCIDENCE DETECTION



SPRINKLER ACTIVATION TIME

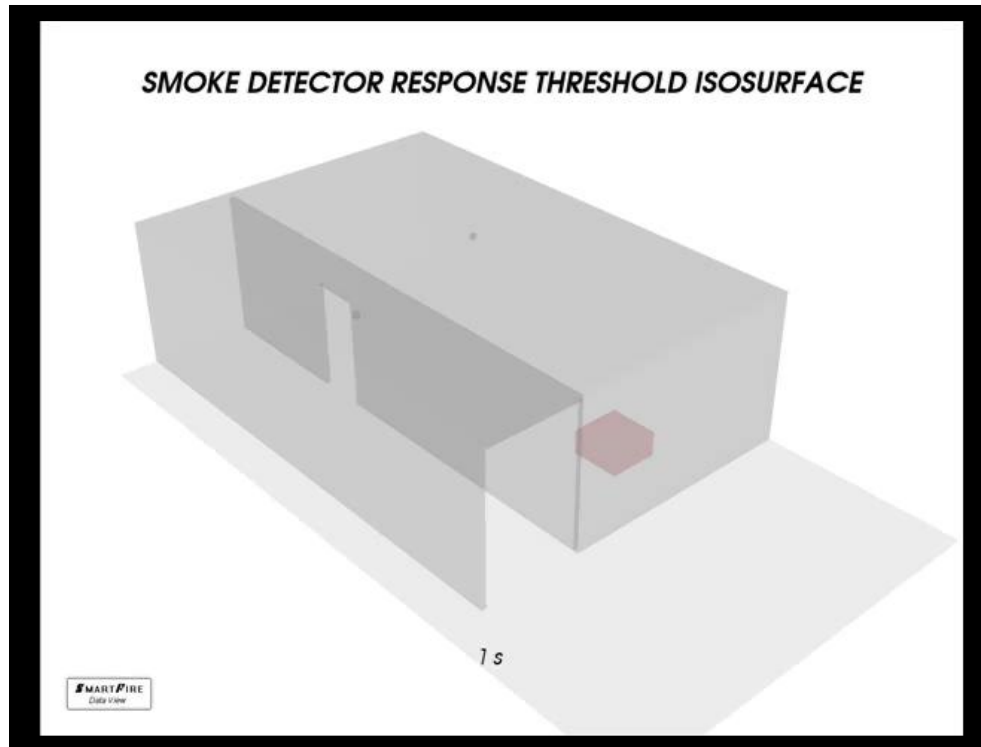


VIDEO TO SHOW 70 °C TEMPERATURE SPREAD

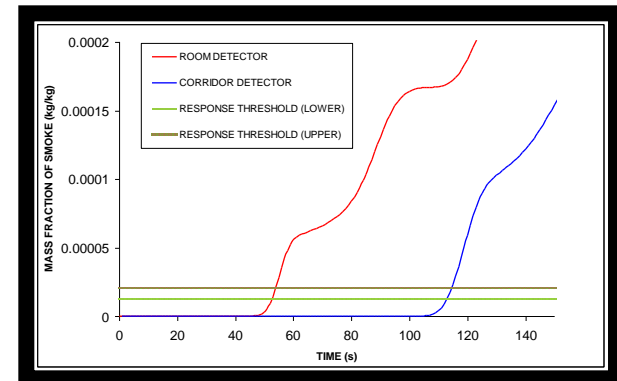


GRAPH TO SHOW TEMPERATURE AT THE SPRINKLER HEADS

SMOKE DETECTOR ACTIVATION TIME



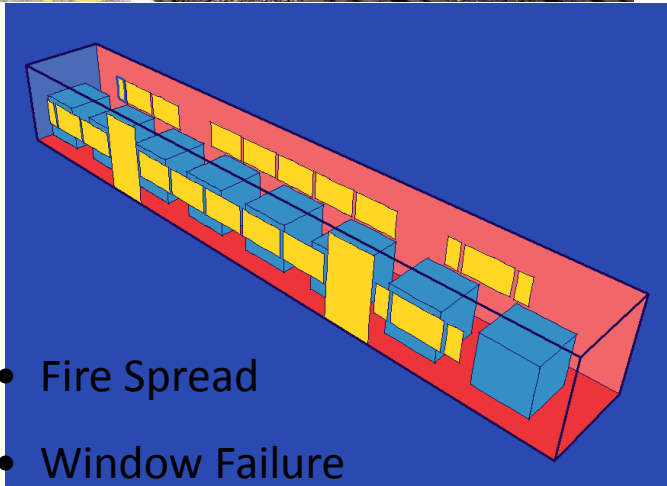
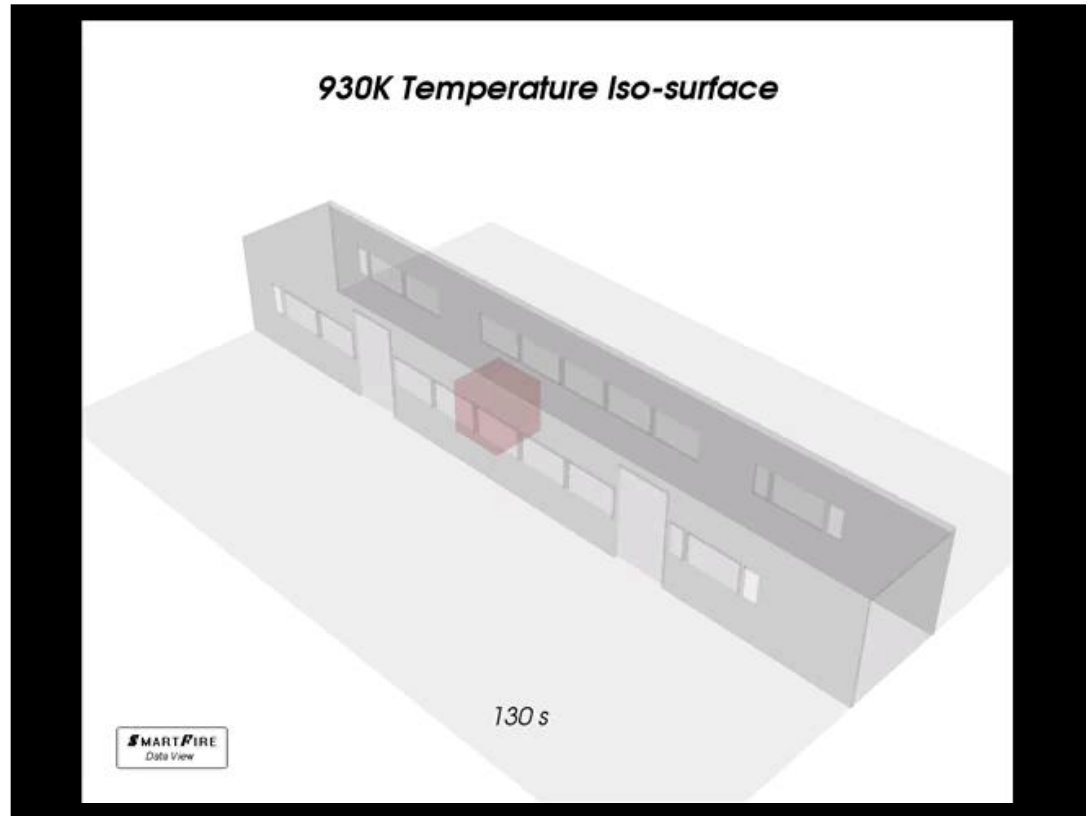
VIDEO TO SHOW SPREAD OF SMOKE WITH DENSITY EQUAL TO THE DETECTOR RESPONSE THRESHOLD



GRAPH TO SHOW SMOKE DENSITY AT THE DETECTOR HEADS

EXAMPLE 2

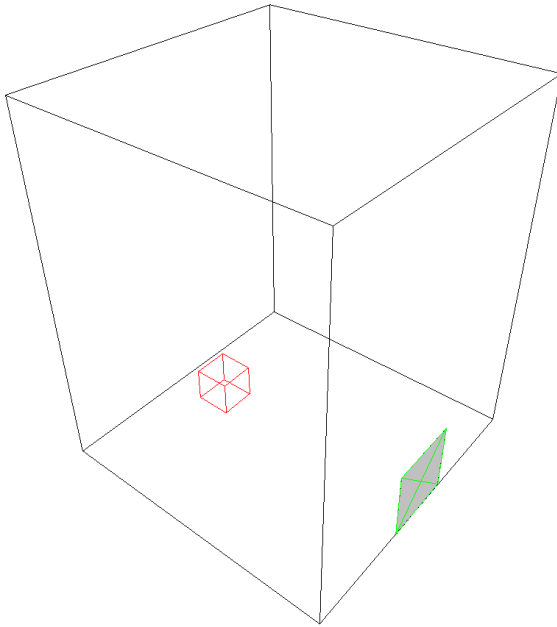
TRAIN CARRIAGE FIRE



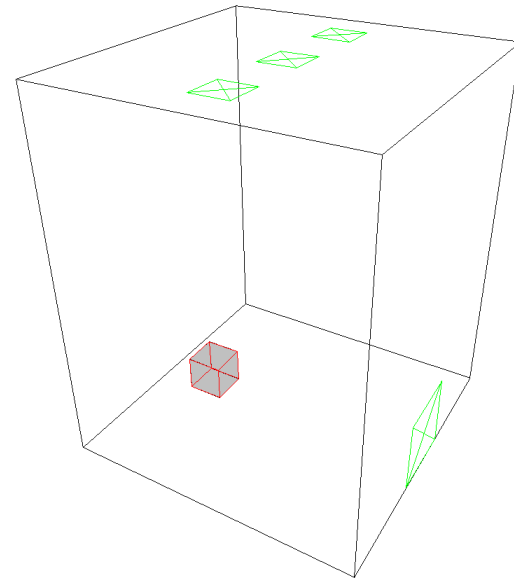
- Fire Spread
- Window Failure

EXAMPLE 3

FIRE IN ATRIA

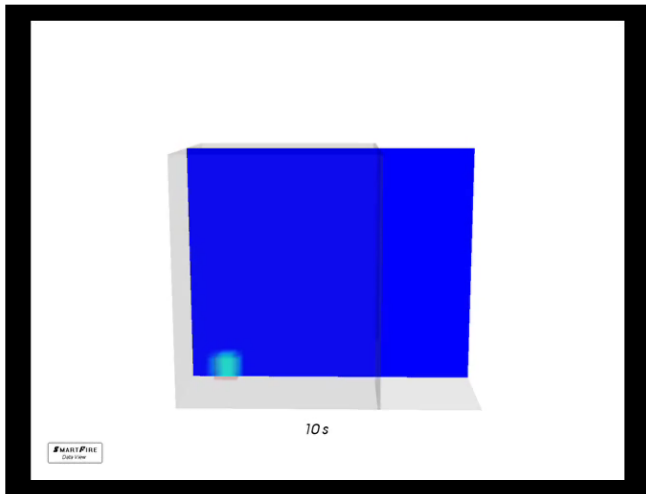


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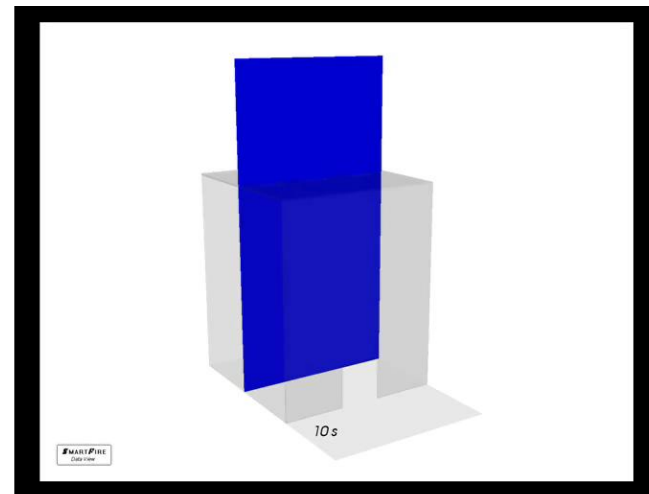
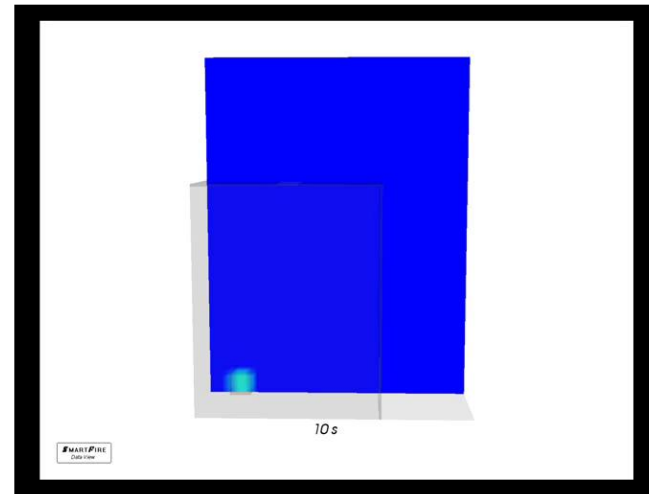


Geometry 2 – with
natural ventilation

SMOKE CUT PLANES



Geometry 1- Results

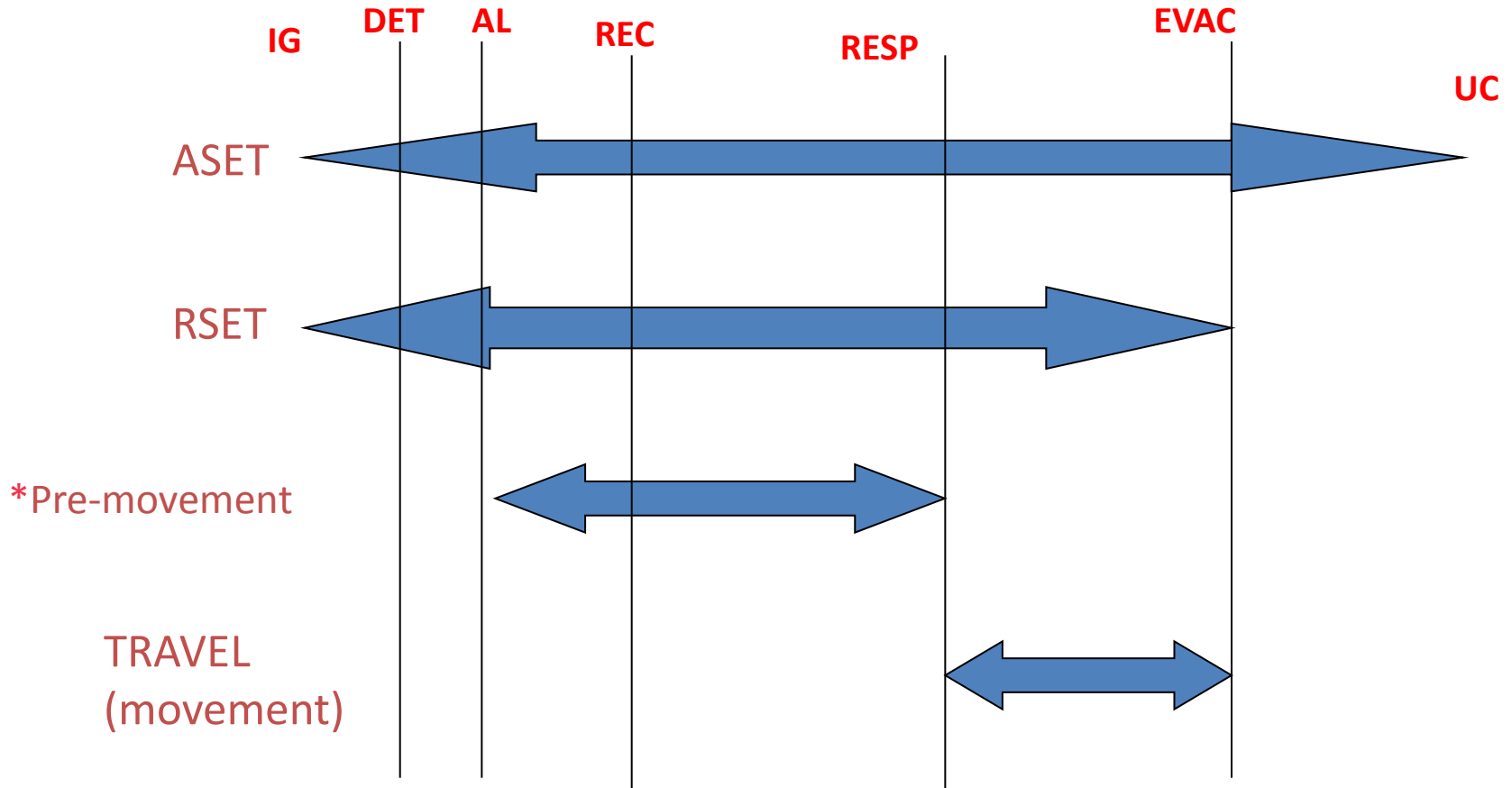


Geometry 2- Results

BENEFITS OF FIRE MODELLING USING CFD

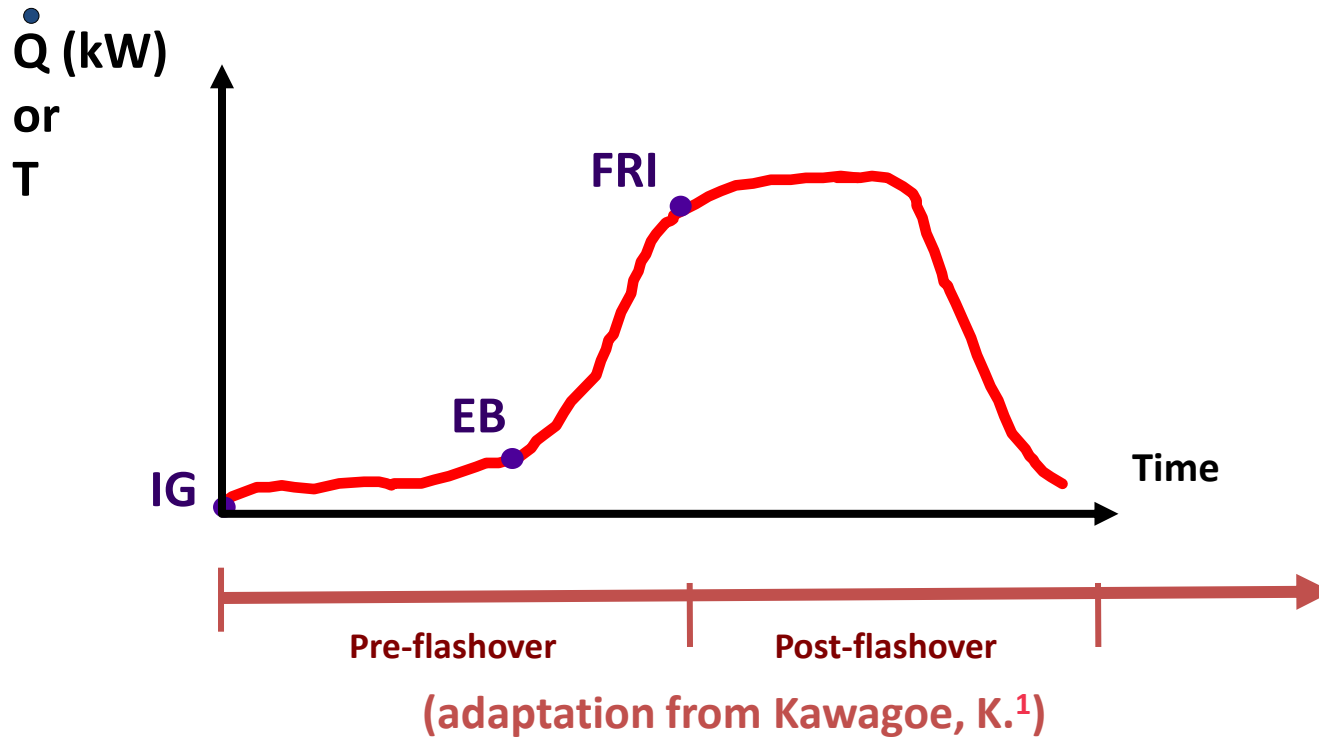
- Representative results possible for complex geometries and scenarios
- Helps reduce the need for over engineering inherent in many prescriptive codes
- Can provide cost effective solutions to smoke control problems, especially in unusual or complicated geometries. i.e. Atria, Transport Terminals etc.
- Can be used to assess the necessity and/or effectiveness of existing smoke control systems
- Calculate detection and sprinkler activation times
- Analyse the impact of fire on structural elements
- Can be used in conjunction with Evacuation Modelling to ensure $RSET < ASET$

ASET and RSET



*Pre-movement = Pre-evacuation

Typical Fire Behaviour in an Enclosure



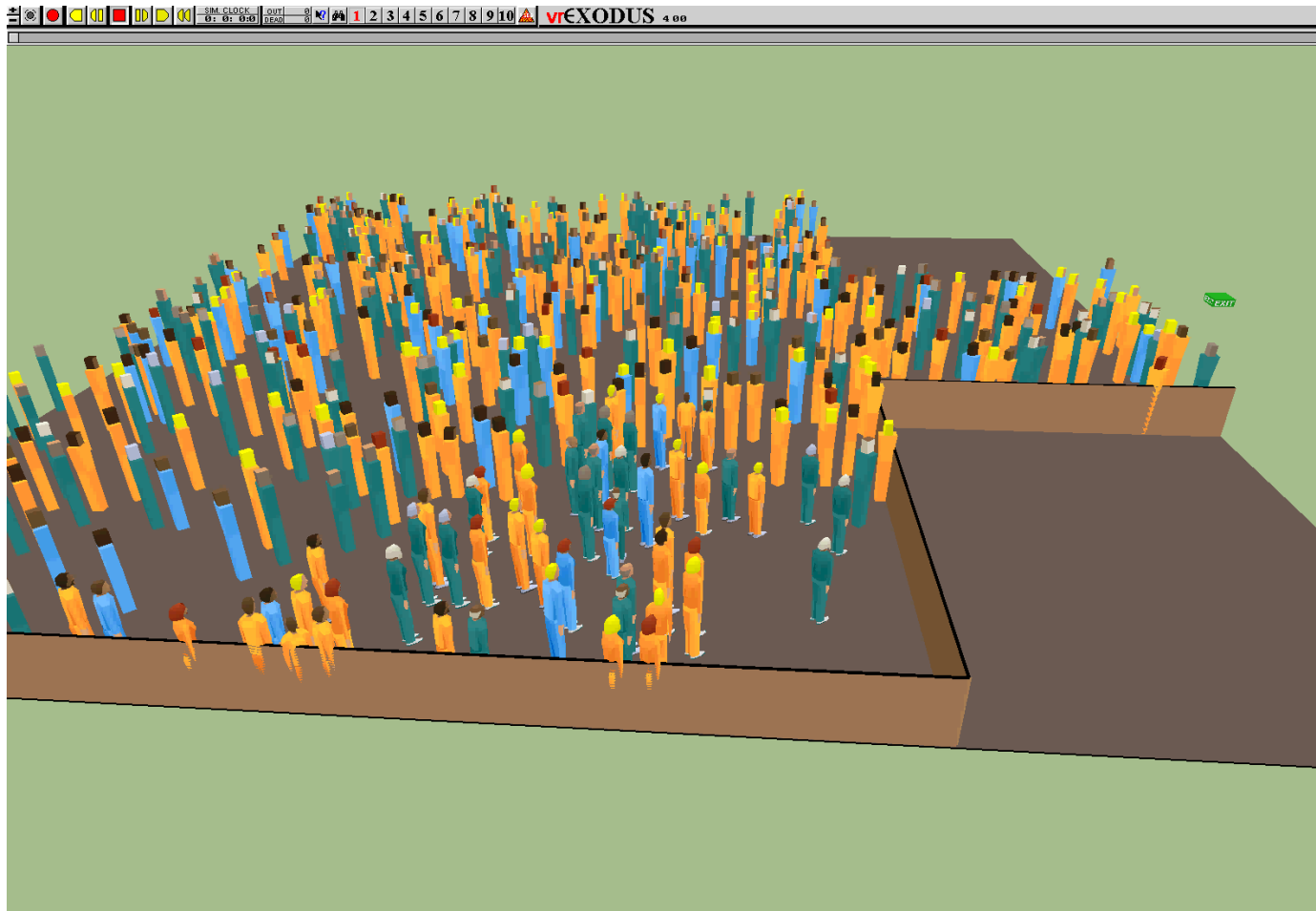
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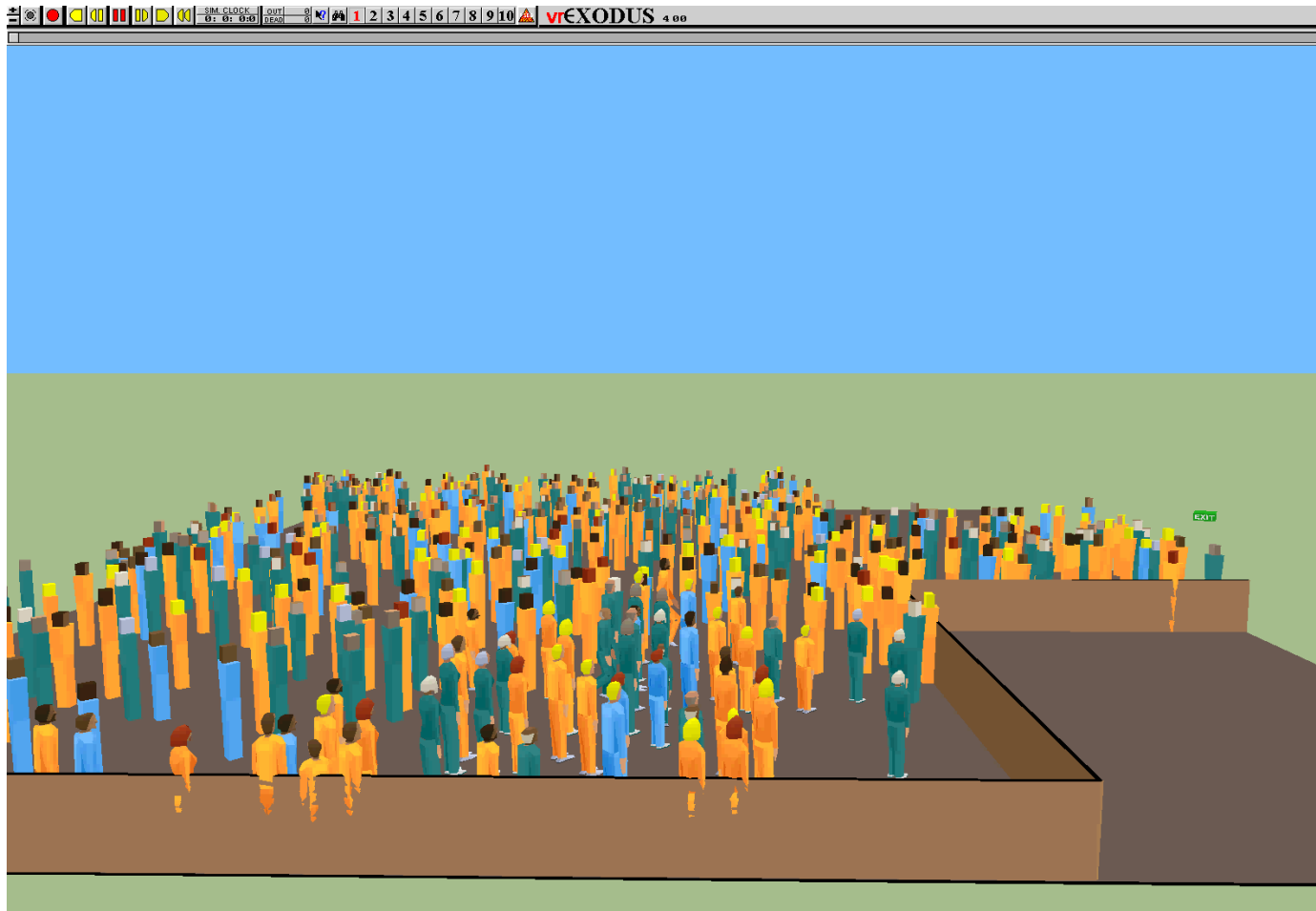
FRI – Full Room Involvement

1. "Fire Behaviour in Rooms", Report No. 27, Building Research Institute, Tokyo, 1958

FIRE IN AN ATRIUM (without vents)



FIRE IN AN ATRIUM (with vents)



The Benefits of Combined Modelling

- More realistic results:

Safe Design = RSET < ASET

Specific design

Hand Calculations:

**RSET < ASET
(20 sec) < (25 sec)**

Combined Analysis:

**RSET > ASET
(28 sec) > (25 sec)**



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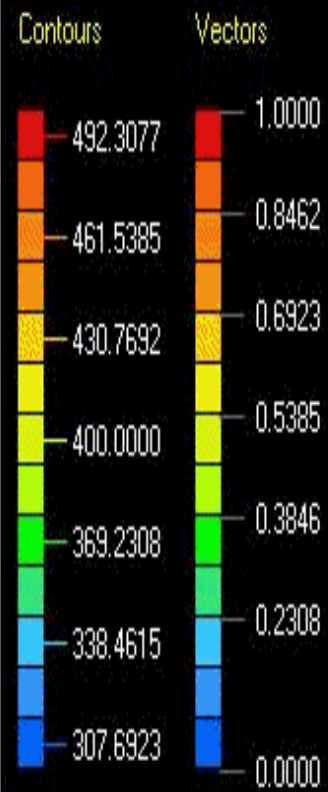
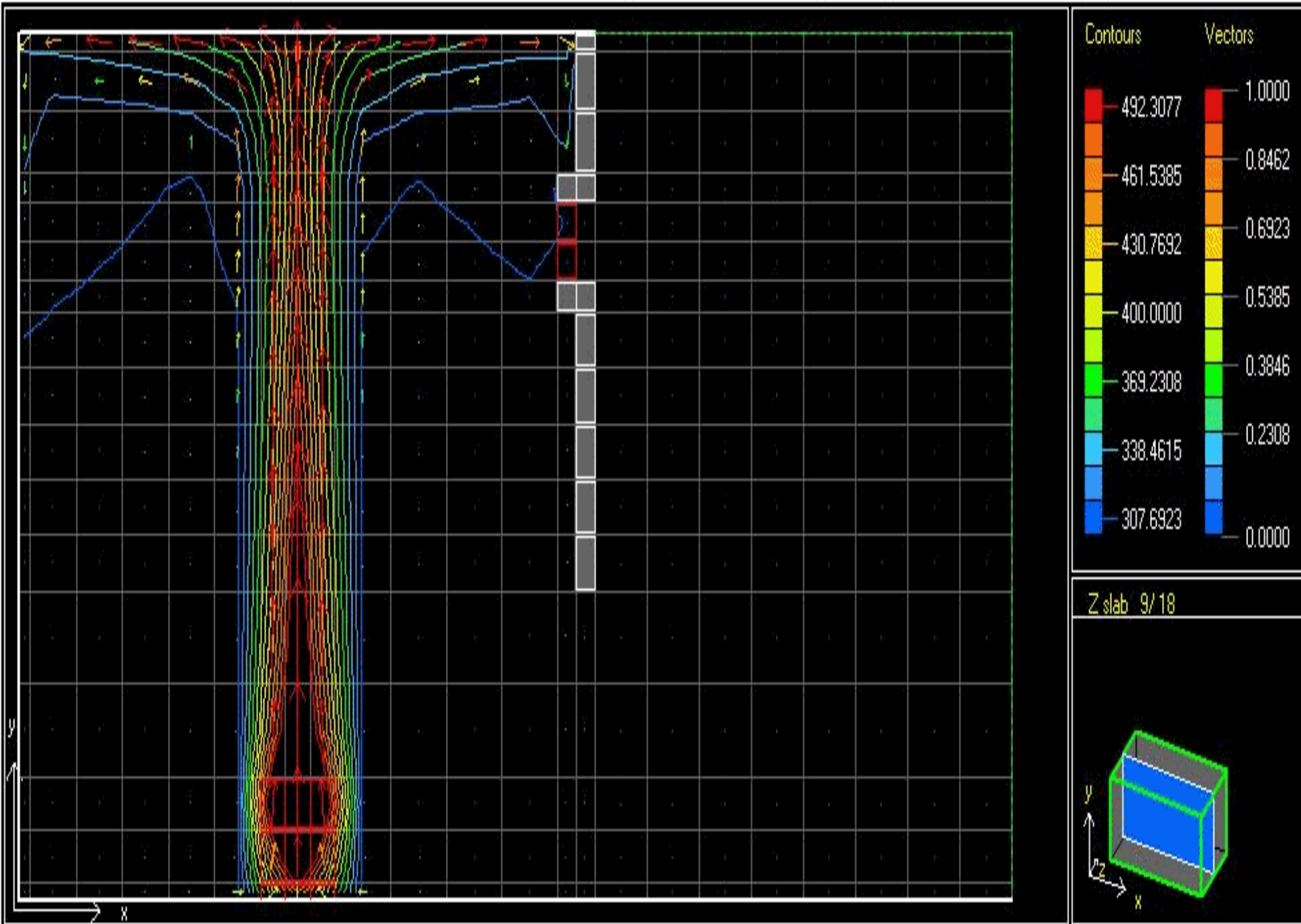


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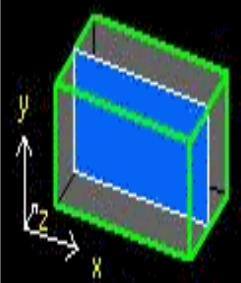
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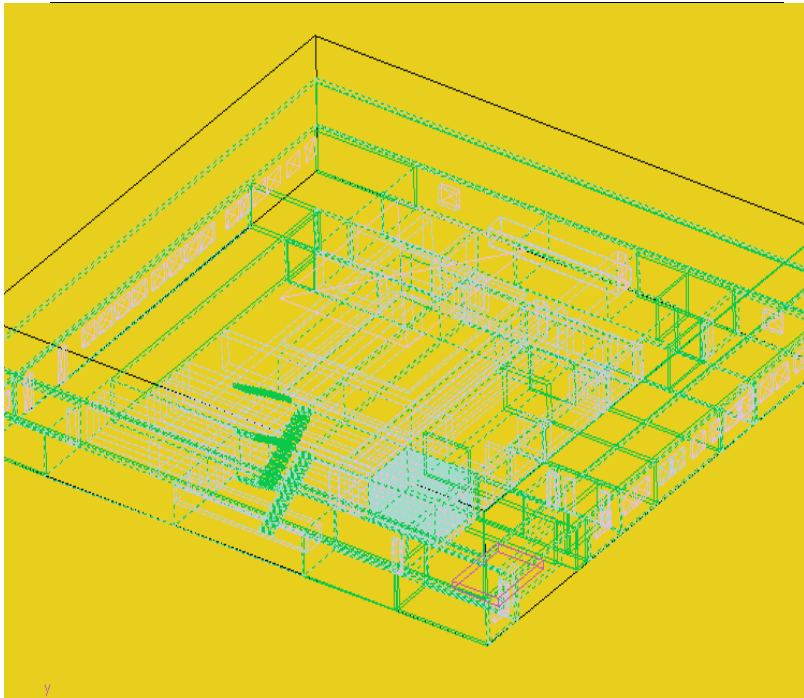


Z slab 9/18



Smartfire : Contours = TEMPERATURE. Vectors = [x=REAL_U_VELOCITY y=REAL_V_VELOCITY colour=SIZE]. [T= 4.000s]

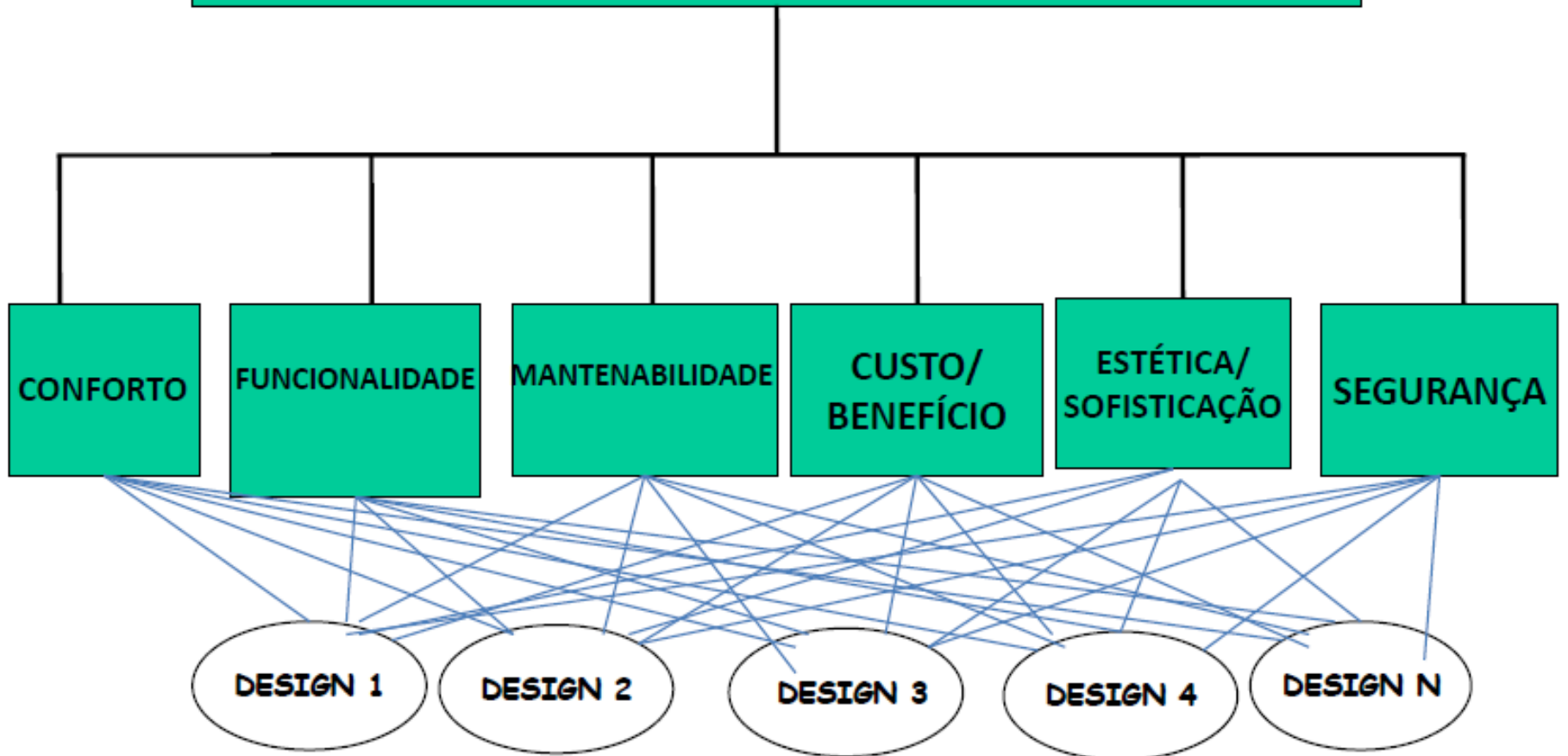
1. Why model?



$$\text{time} = f(x, y, z, \dots)$$

Design = Information System

Projeto ótimo (“design perfeito”)



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2) Contexto da Arquitetura no cenário internacional



PROJETO ARQUITETÔNICO ÓTIMO: É AQUELE QUE OFERECE TRÊS ASPECTOS FUNDAMENTAIS AOS USUÁRIOS

2) Contexto da Arquitetura no cenário internacional



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UNIÃO entre os “designers”: arquitetos + engenheiros (de cálculo estrutural; instalações hidro-sanitárias; ambiental; de segurança contra incêndios; de iluminação; de acústica etc...).

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