



CHAM Product Update
Pioneering CFD Software for Education & Industry

F1 in Schools

Virtual Wind Tunnel with CFD

Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) is the prediction of processes involving fluid flow, heat & mass transfer, chemical reaction and/or combustion. Anything that involves fluid flow can be simulated using these techniques; with varying degrees of accuracy.

CFD is based upon the laws of physics, of conservation of mass, momentum and energy. The equations are embodied within a mathematical model and solved using a grid superimposed on the region of interest. For the F1 in Schools Challenge, this will be your racing car design. I.e. Step 2 of your team's progress towards racing success.

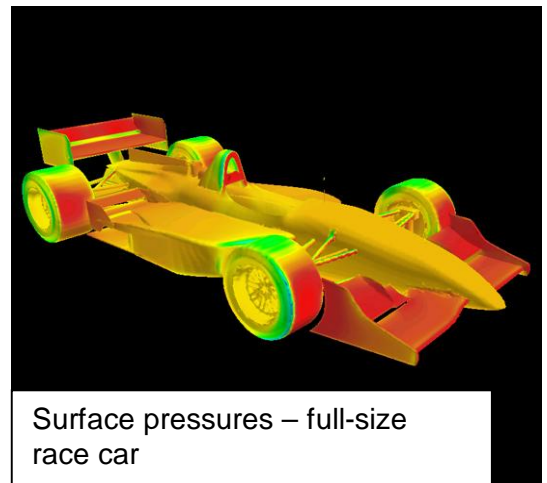
- 1 DESIGN
- 2 ANALYSE
- 3 BUILD
- 4 TEST
- 5 RACE

Your design will be imported from CAD software and displayed in our Formula 1 Virtual Wind Tunnel (F1 VWT) already set up to receive it. You will alter initial settings, boundary conditions and other factors in the F1 VWT pre-processor, before starting the mathematical 'solver'. Once the solution has been reached, you will visualise the results interactively in graphical form, using the F1 VWT post-processor.

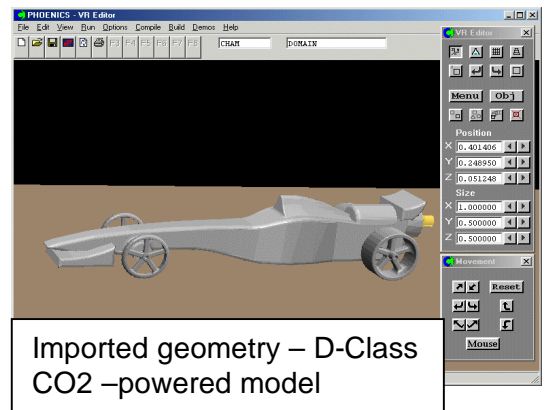
The results will provide you with information relating to the potential performance of your design, and provide guidance towards the areas for improvement.

You will see velocities, pressures, areas of turbulence, lift and drag, using vector plots, contour plots, streamlines and iso-surfaces. The forces on the car body will be calculated and plotted.

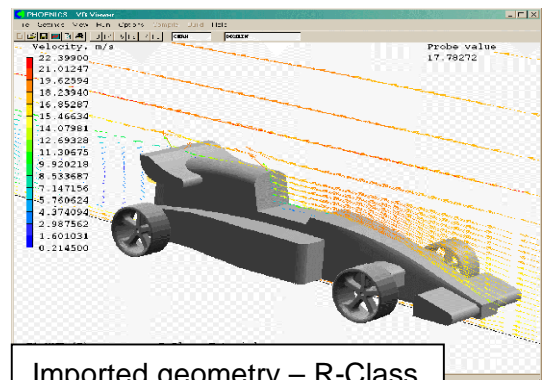
Industrial design companies use CFD techniques to assist with their prototype designs. *What you do with the information is up to you ...*



Surface pressures – full-size race car



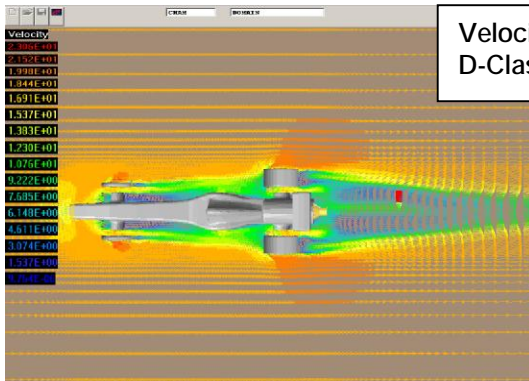
Imported geometry – D-Class CO₂ –powered model



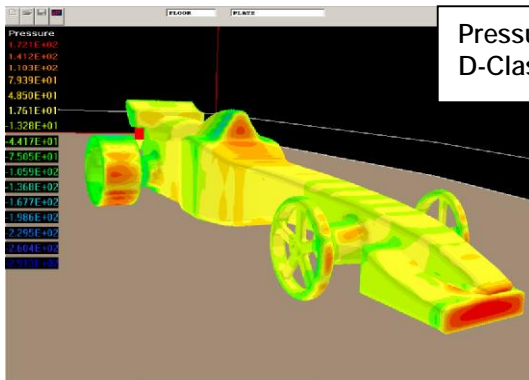
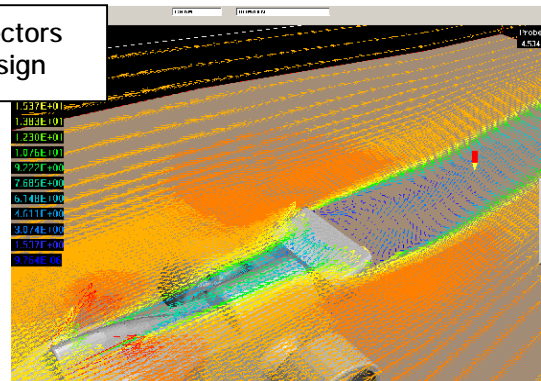
Imported geometry – R-Class CO₂-powered model

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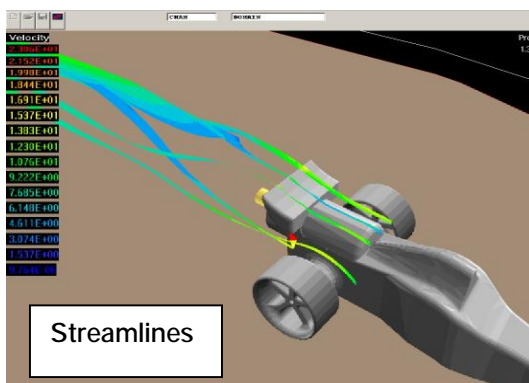
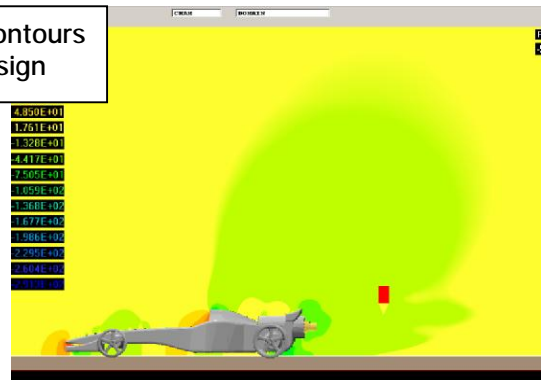
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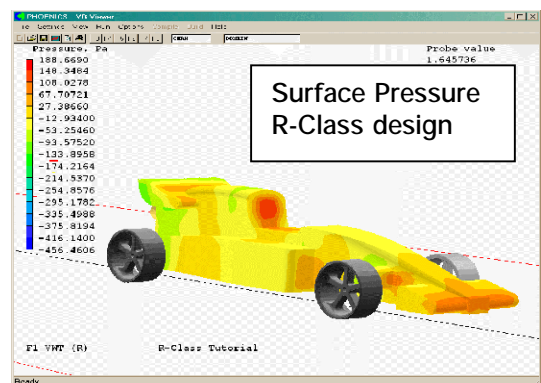
Velocity vectors
D-Class design



Pressure contours
D-Class design



Streamlines



Surface Pressure
R-Class design

The F1 in Schools VWT is based upon the PHOENICS general-purpose CFD software package developed by CHAM Ltd, London, UK. Web: www.cham.co.uk

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