

Steam Turbine Series Part 3: Creating Steam Turbine Models in THERMOFLEX – using fundamental building blocks



ST Series - Summary

- Part 1 Creating ST models the quick-and-easy way.
 - Aimed at developer (upfront study) tasks
 - ST Assembly Wizard
 - Full automation used to build and compute ST
- Part 2 Manipulating ST model to match desired (OEM-provided) performance
 - Aimed at advanced developers/engineering companies
 - Knobs to adjust to dial-in performance
- Part 3 ST models built using fundamental building blocks
 - Aimed at OEMs & engineers possessing detailed steam turbine heat balance data, and wanting to exercise full control over all modeling details



ST Modeling With Fundamental Blocks (the 5 W's)

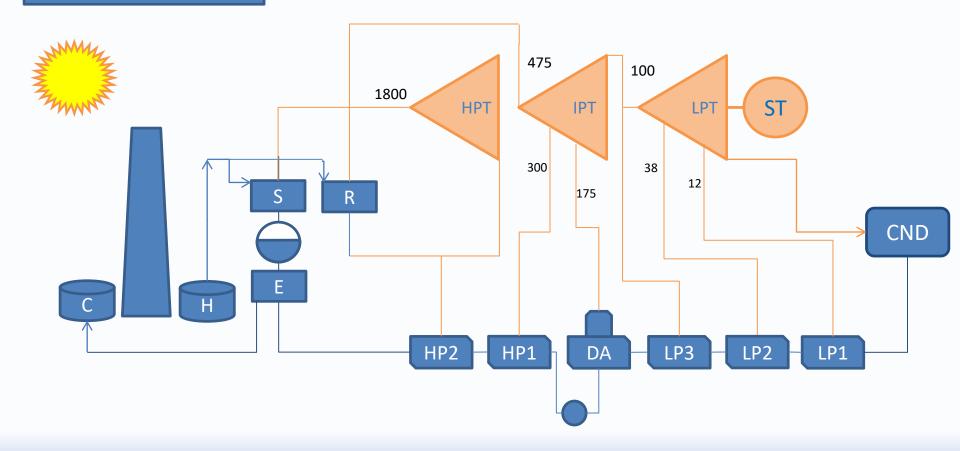
- Who: All THERMOFLEX users (targets OEMs and those with unusual configurations, or desire to control every detail)
- What: Fully-flexible method to model steam turbines in detail where virtually every aspect of the model is on the flowsheet
- Where: THERMOFLEX— fully flexible modeling environment with > 220 standard built-in components handling 7 fluid types
- When: THERMOFLEX 1995, ST Assembly 2003
- Why: Employ the (THERMO)FLEXibility inherent in THERMOFLEX to build comprehensive, fully detailed model including user-defined methods to define calculation to match in-house codes



Our Old Example – Solar Rankine Cycle

New Piece

Already-built Pieces





Example – Solar Rankine Cycle

- "Build" today's model by walking through waypoints in the build progression:
 - Schematic overview
 - 2. Building blocks
 - 3. Layout turbine groups
 - 4. Connect primary steam path through turbine
 - 5. Layout & connect leak streams
 - 6. Define FWH extractions
 - 7. Add Sealing Steam Regulator (SSR)
- "Building" complete
 - 1. Add assembly (remove stop valves & leaks)
 - 2. ST & Gen Cooling loads
 - 3. User-defined OD efficiency variation
- Throughout process take note of tradeoff:
 - Flexibility in this approach vs. Ease-of-Use demoed in Parts 1 & 2.



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