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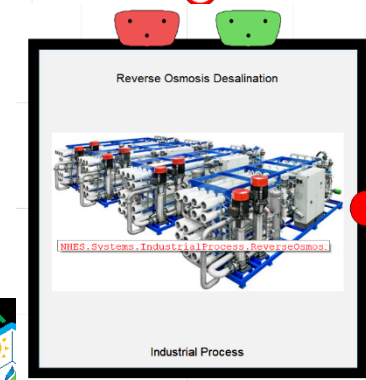
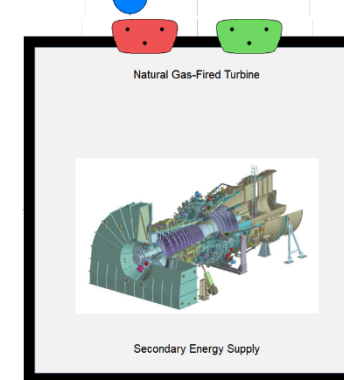
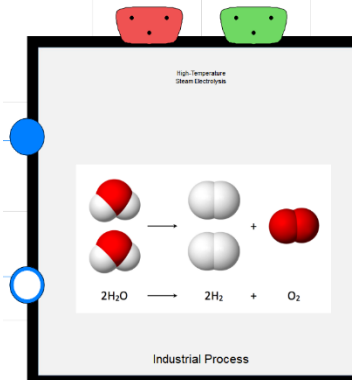
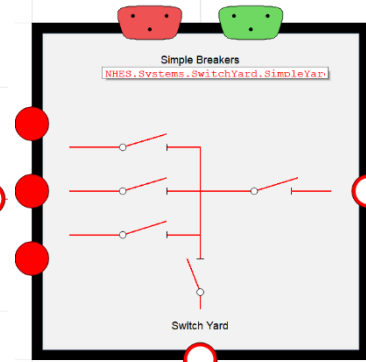
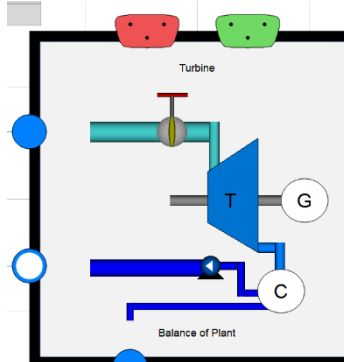
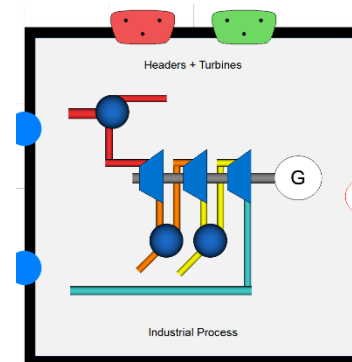
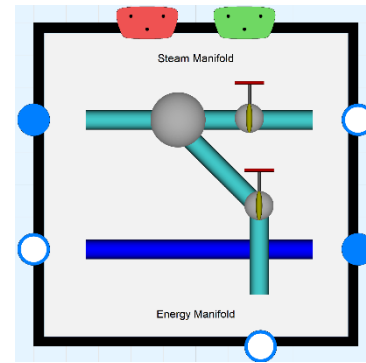
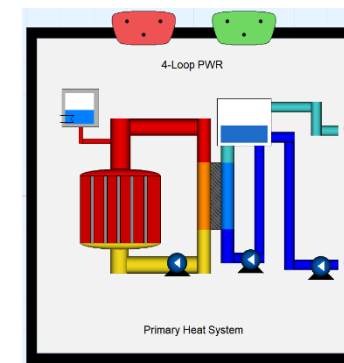
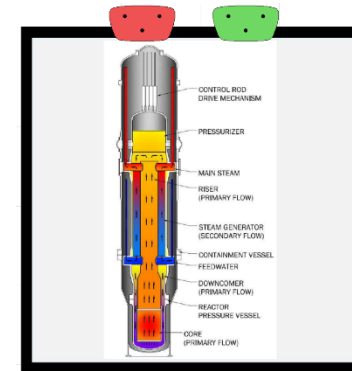
Modelica Modeling Toolset
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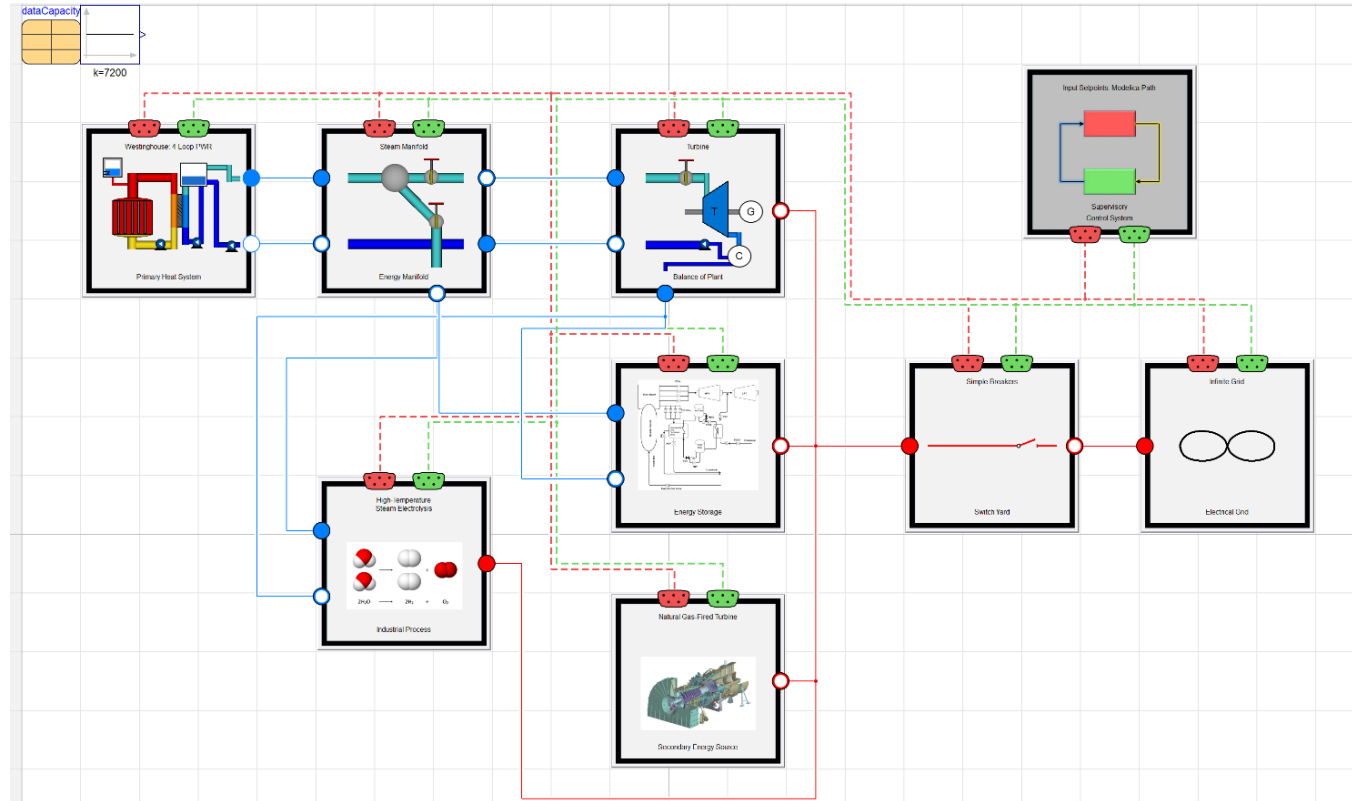
HYBRID – What is it

- Hybrid is a collection of dynamic physical models written in the Modelica language to characterize:
 - Ramp speed
 - Thermal and electrical integration of different processes
 - Creation of novel control schemes
 - Off-demand system dynamics
 - Safety limitations based on control systems
- Adaptable
 - Object oriented with standardized connections
 - Using FMI/FMU standard, external collaboration without transfer of sensitive proprietary data or recoding of models can be accomplished
 - Components can be “hot swapped” within code.
 - Modelica was originally developed for the automotive industry as the language of choice for quick interchangeability: drive shafts, engines, transmissions, electronics, etc...
- Developed using the Commercial platform Dymola from Dassault Systems.



Design Capability

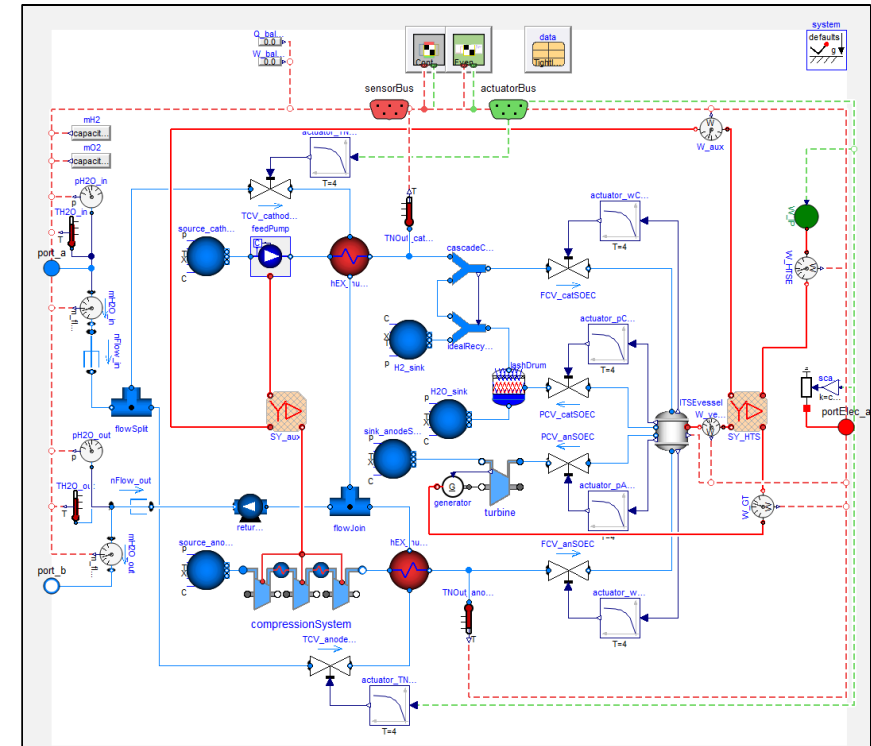
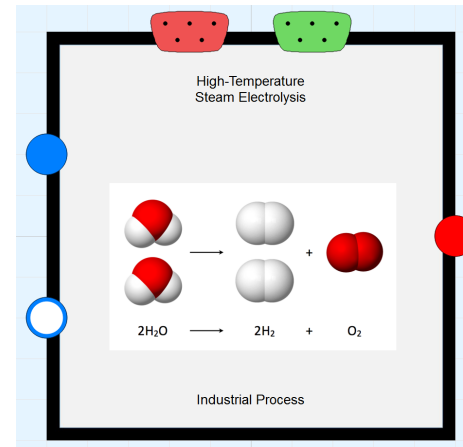
- Physical models are focused on a process system basis
 - A few coupled subsystems (Nuclear plant + Gas Turbine + Thermal Storage + Grid + Ancillary Process)
 - Not a regional grid area consisting of hundreds of power plants with regional transmission lines.
- Figures of Merit
 - Demand Missed
 - System stability
 - System pressure, temperature, thermal gradients, valve positioning, etc.
 - Control strategy effects on each subsystem.
- Dispatch Points come from dispatch optimization software HERON.



Inter-connectability

- Creation of dynamic process models capable of modeling full plant dynamics under normal operating conditions within an Object-Oriented platform capable of quickly coupling with other dynamic process models within the same platform or via FMI/FMUs.
- Models are configured using interchangeable base classes for ease of use and adaptability of models into different configurations.
- Can be exported in the FMI/FMU standard to allow robust interoperability with industry.

Interchangeable Control System

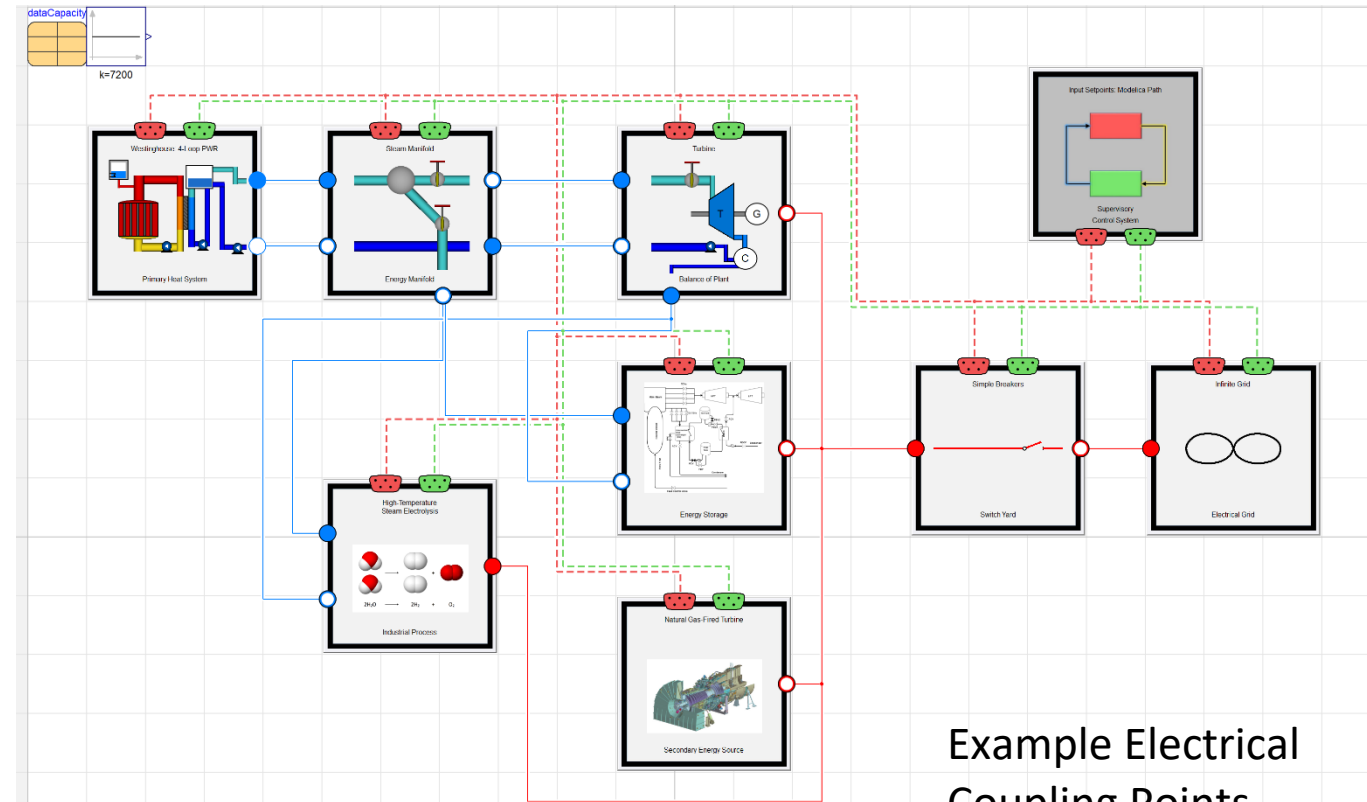


Connection points

External Inputs

- Input are System Sizing
 - Values taken from RAVEN/HERON in optimization workflow
- Control Strategies desired
 - Each subsystem has its own control strategy
- Planned Coupling methodologies
 - Supervisory control
 - Minimum electrical and heat rates for each subsystem
- Thermal and electrical demands for each subsystem through time.
 - Total demand an input from balancing authority routine

Supervisory
Control



Example Electrical
Coupling Points

Example Thermal Coupling
Points

Use Cases

1. Small Modular Reactor + Gas Turbine Peaker
2. HTGR + Concrete Thermal Energy Storage
3. Multi-Component Integrated Energy Storage
 - Reactor
 - Gas Turbine
 - Two-Tank Sensible Heat Thermal Energy Storage
 - Hydrogen Production

Example – Nuclear Reactor + Gas Turbine

Connection

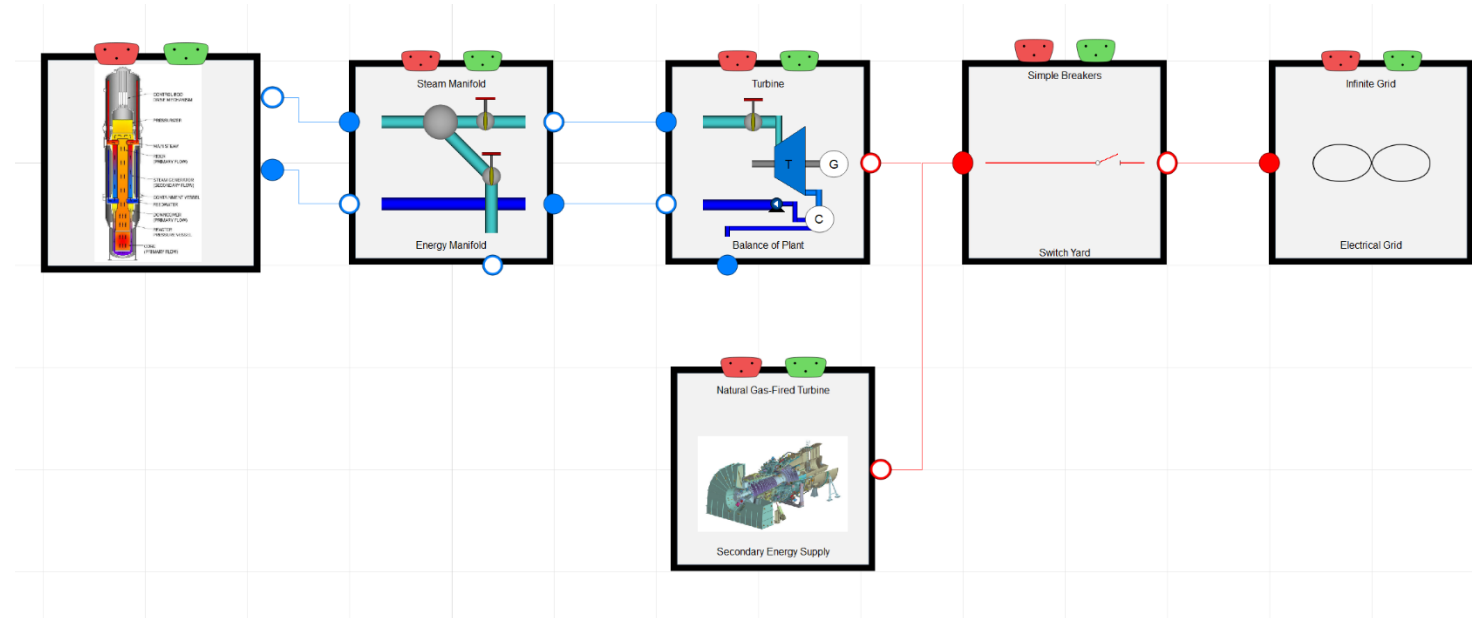
- Electrical (Via the Grid).

Libraries we need:

- HYBRID
- TRANSFORM

Control Modifications

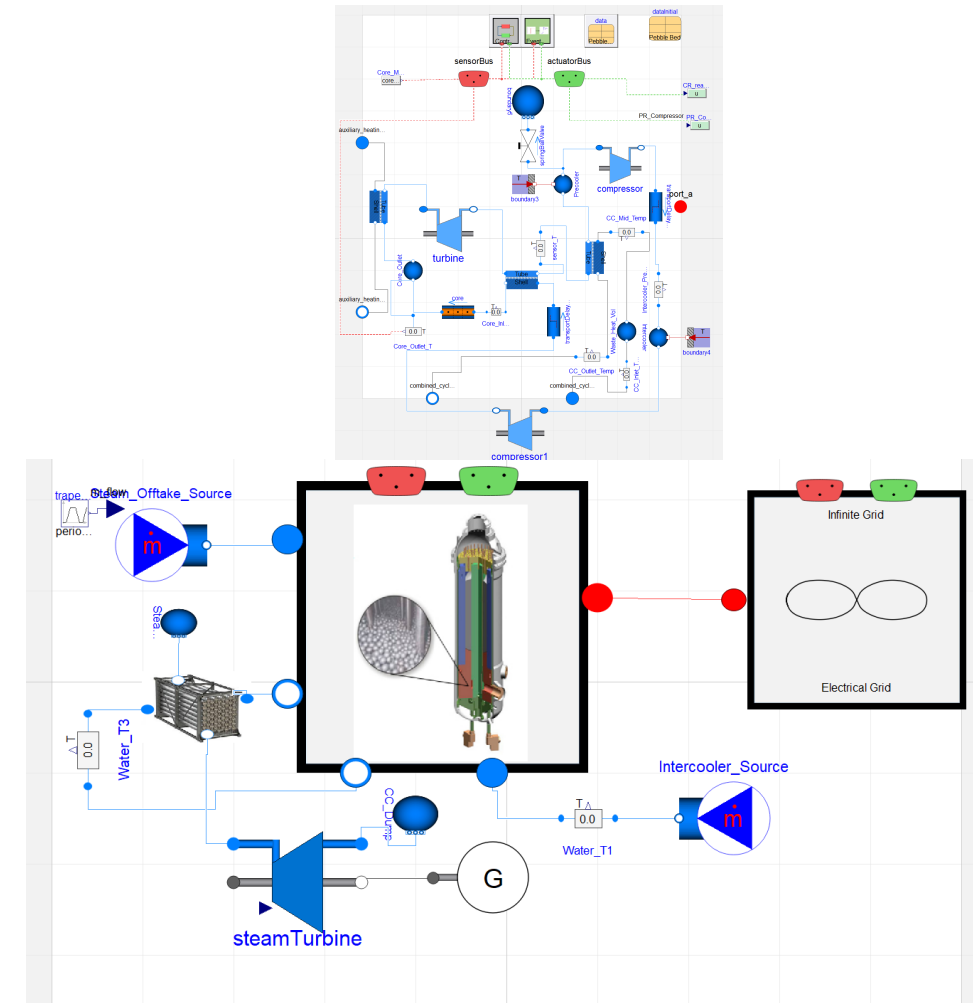
- ISO level these inputs come from the HERON Dispatch Optimization Software



Demonstration of Gas Turbine Peaker in Dymola

Pebble Bed HTGR Combined Cycle

- 648MWt nominal reactor power
- 314MWe nominal Brayton electric output
- System controllers:
 - Control rods based on coolant temp
 - System pressure based on relief valve
 - Mass flows for combined cycle portion are inputs under investigation
- Determining if using pre-turbine heat to boost temperature going into steam turbine is worth power loss



Example

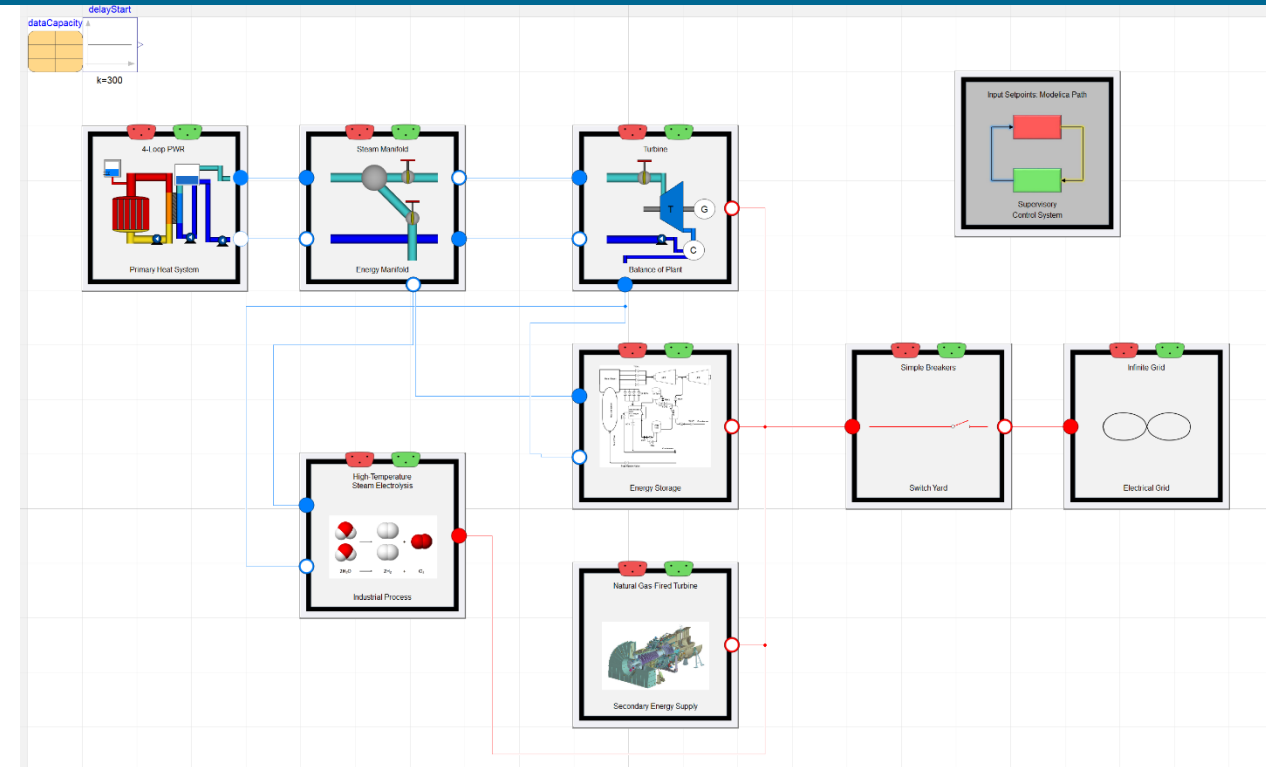
Demonstration of HTGR in Dymola

Example – Multi-Component Integrated Energy System

- Multi-component Integrated Energy System.
- Power Source = Pressurized Water Reactor
- Ancillary Process = Hydrogen Production
- Energy Storage = Thermal Energy Storage
- Secondary Energy Source = Natural Gas Fired Turbine

Case

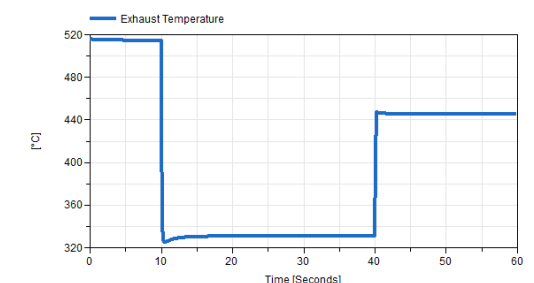
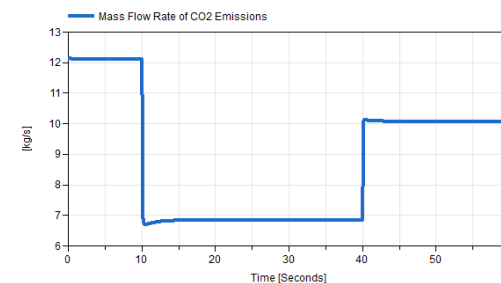
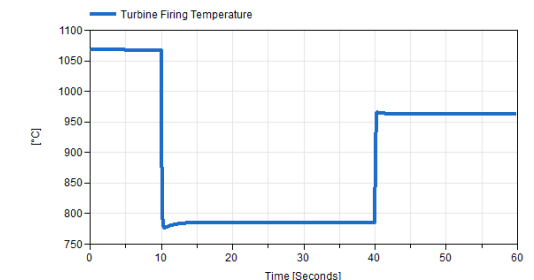
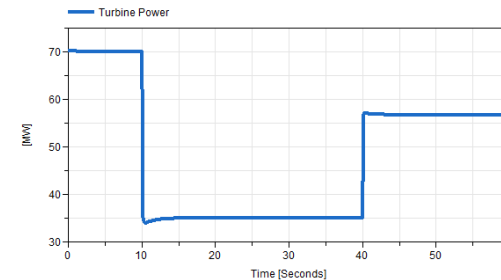
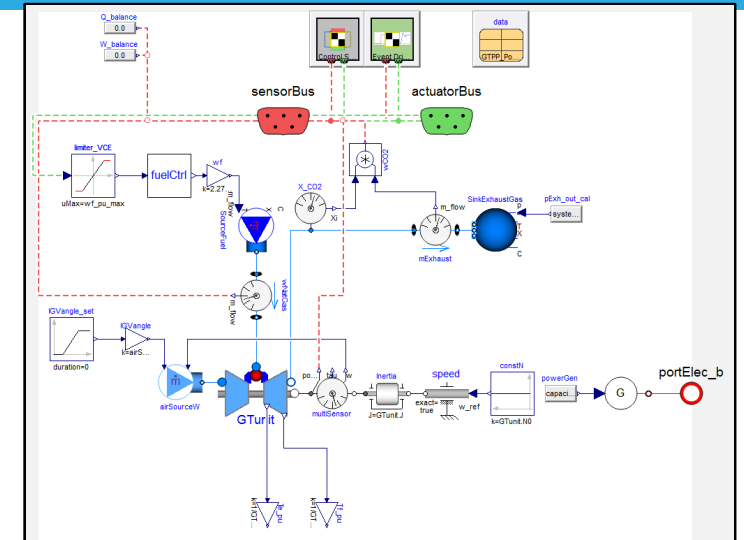
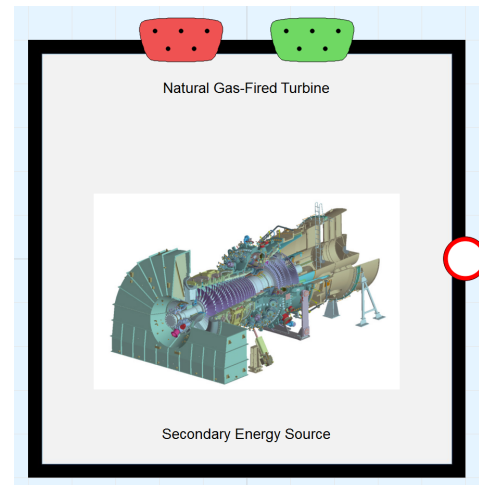
- Consider we are operating in a Microgrid with Wind Power.
- Total Microgrid Power Needs = 1200MWe



Demonstration in Dymola

Key Outputs

- Transient results of Processes
- Coupling and interaction phenomena
- Missed Demand
- Ramp Limitations based on underlying system physics (phase change, thermal time constants, valve opening speeds)
- Test platform for novel control strategies



Current Status of the HYBRID Repository

- Opensource on GitHub
 - <https://github.com/idaholab/HYBRID>
- In use by university partners
 - North Carolina State, Toledo, Michigan
- Automatic regression system implemented using ROOK
- Recent Additions
 - Packed Bed Thermocline Energy Storage
 - Concrete Energy Storage
 - Phase Change Material Energy Storage
 - High Fidelity Balance of Plant

Subsystems within the HYBRID Repository.

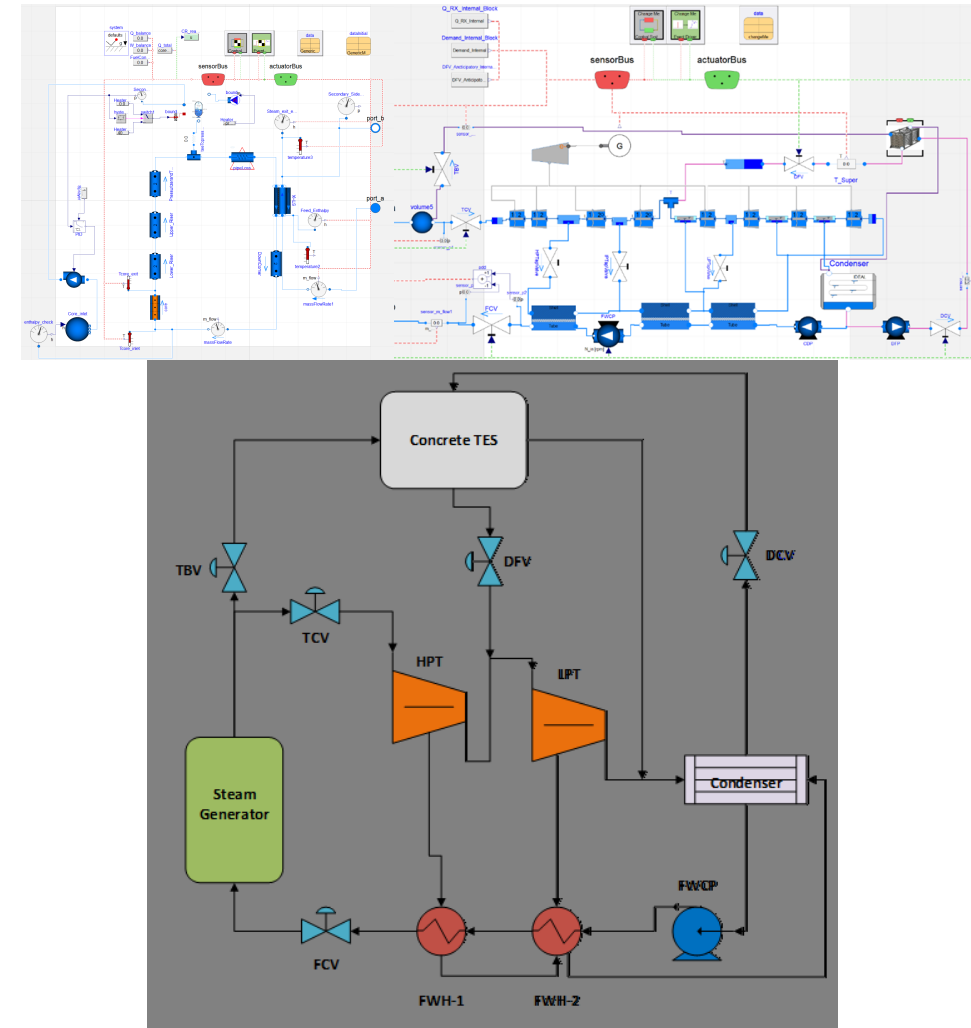
| Identifier | Category | Description | Specific Example |
|------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Primary heat system (PHS) | Provides base load heat and power | Nuclear reactor |
| 2 | Energy manifold (EM) | Distributes thermal energy between subsystems | Steam distribution |
| 3 | Balance of plant (BOP) | Serves as primary electricity supply from energy not used in other subsystems | Turbine and condenser |
| 4 | Industrial process (IP) | Generates high-value product(s) using heat from energy manifold/secondary energy supply and electricity from switch yard | Steam electrolysis, gas to liquids, or reverse osmosis desalination |
| 5 | Energy storage (ES) | Serves as energy buffer to increase overall system robustness | Batteries, Two-Tank Sensible Heat Storage, Thermocline Packed Bed, Concrete, Phase Change Material |
| 6 | Secondary energy source (SES) | Delivers small amounts of topping heat required by industrial processes or rapid dynamics in grid demand that cannot be met by the remainder of the system | Gas turbine, Hydrogen Turbine |
| 7 | Switch yard (SY) | Distributes electricity between subsystems, including the grid | Electricity distribution |
| 8 | Electrical grid (EG) | Sets the behavior of the grid connected to the NHES | Large grid behavior (not influenced by NHES) |
| 9 | Control system center (CS) | Provides proper system control, test scenarios, etc. | Control/supervisory systems and event drivers |

Thank you for your Attention!

Additional Slides

Energy Arbitrage SMR-CTES IES

- 160MWt nominal reactor power
- 52MWe nominal turbine power
- System controllers:
 - Control rods based on moderator Temp
 - Pressurizer heaters & sprays based on its pressure
 - TBV based on turbine power & demand
 - TCV based on steam generator pressure
 - FCV based on reactor thermal power
 - FWCP based on pressure drop across FCV
 - DCV based on turbine power & demand (only above 52MWe)
 - DFV based on anticipatory discharge signal and superheat discharge flow sensor
- Example based on part of multi-day dispatchable grid load follow scenario
- Includes “high-fidelity” reactor model, detailed stage-by-stage turbine, and dual-pipe CTES



Demonstration of SMR TES in Dymola

Energy Arbitrage SMR-CTES IES

- Real demand data taken from Idaho Power Company
- Net demand is calculated by removing wind and solar generation to generate demand profile
- Reactor & energy conversion system models tightly integrated to allow for about 50-125% electricity production
- Models designed specifically to capture feedback mechanisms occurring due to changing operation setpoints
- Peaking steam reintroduced upstream of a low-pressure turbine point, upstream of an imperfect moisture separator

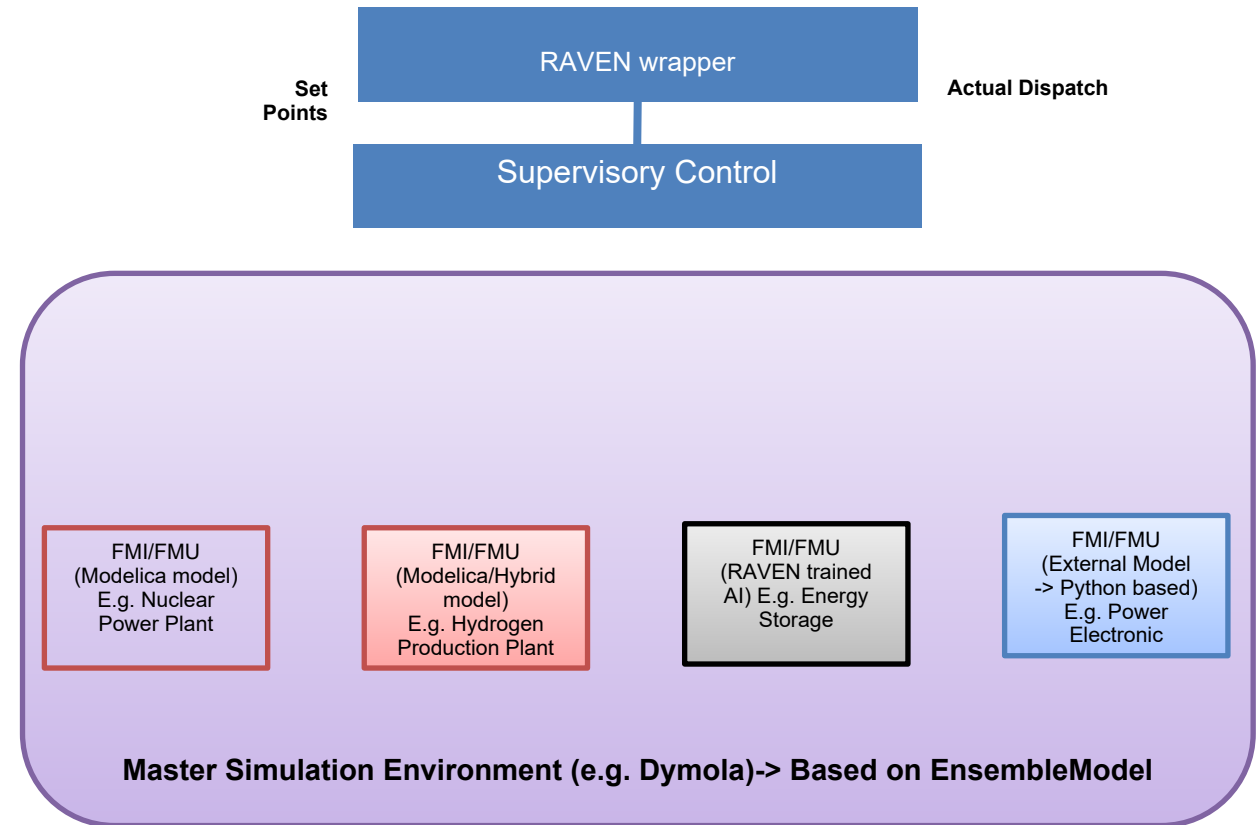
Pebble Bed HTGR Combined Cycle

- Model is based on meeting best-available steady state designs
- Pebble-type TRISO fuel model meets approximate fuel temperature estimations from literature
- Example shown is a technology evaluation for CTES integration into a combined cycle HTGR system
- Waste heat from HTGR is passed through CTES to produce steam to turn a steam turbine
- Example shows an evaluation of efficiency improvement experienced by use of CTES in cyclical fashion

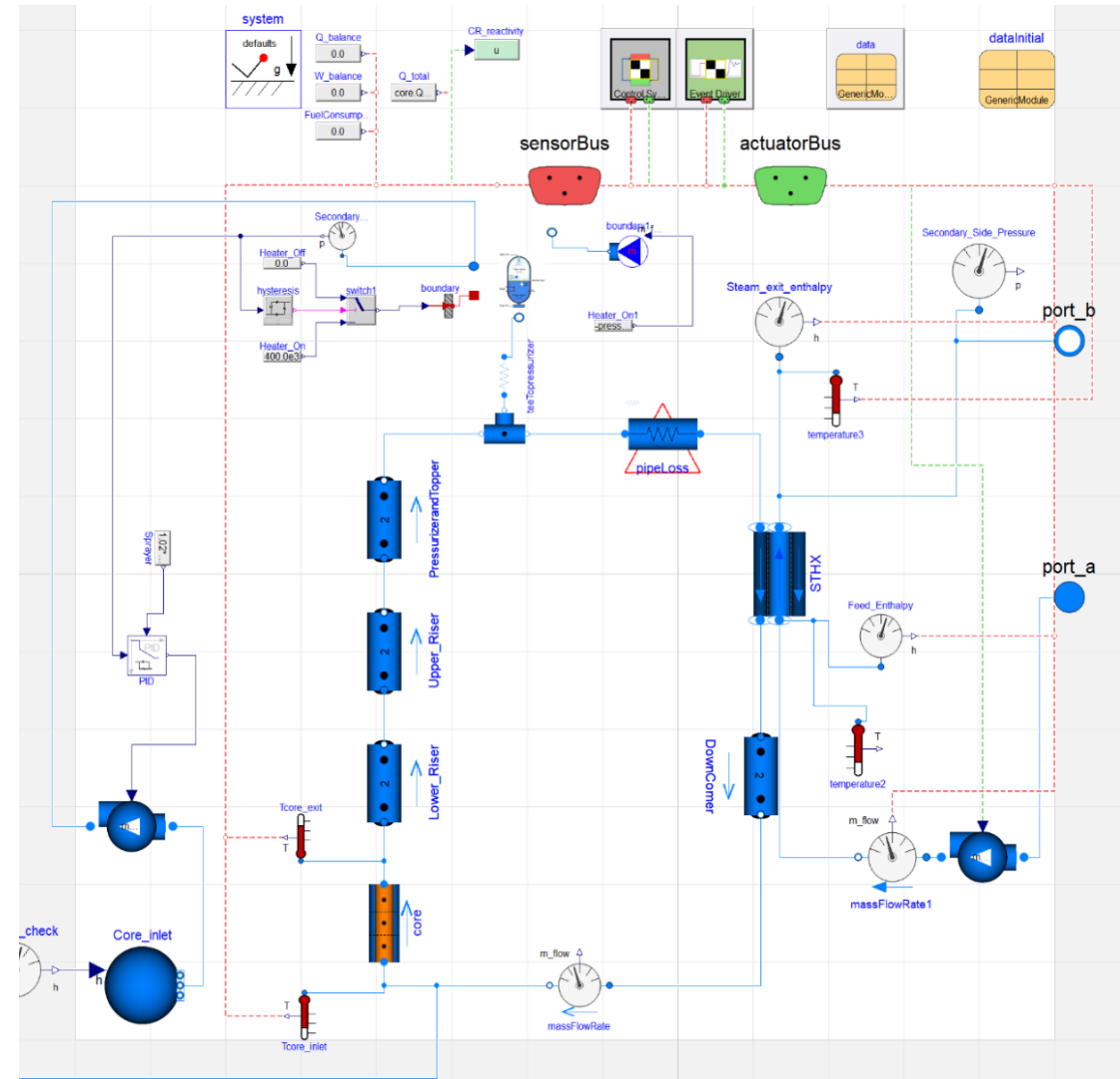
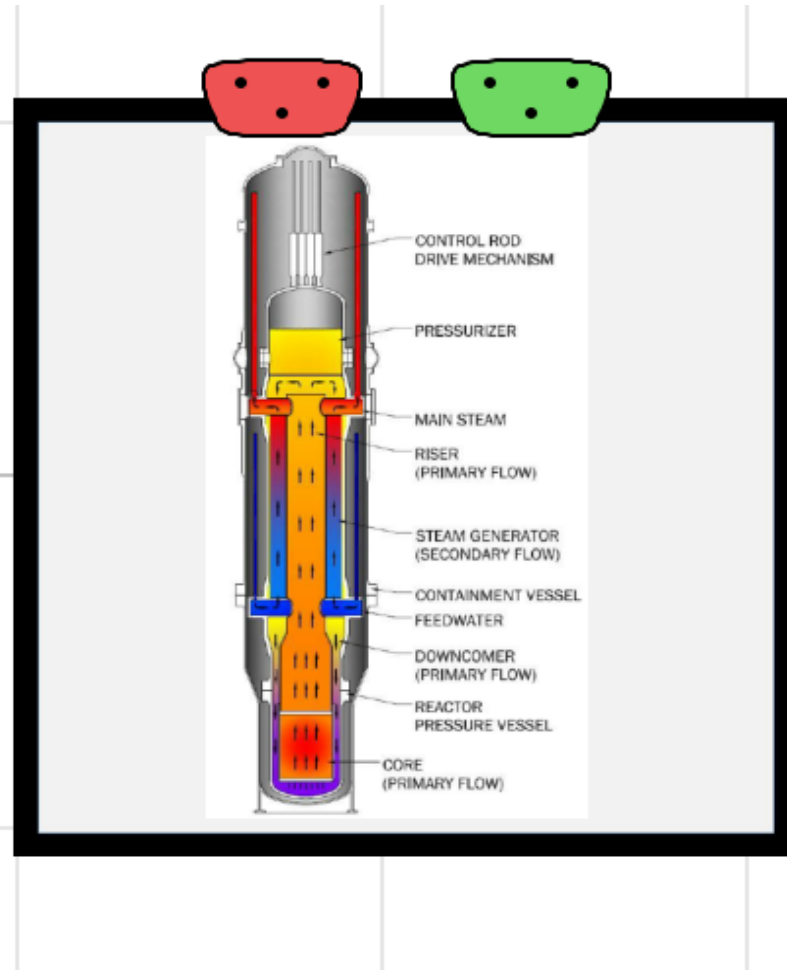
In Depth Models

Extensible Plug and Play Approach

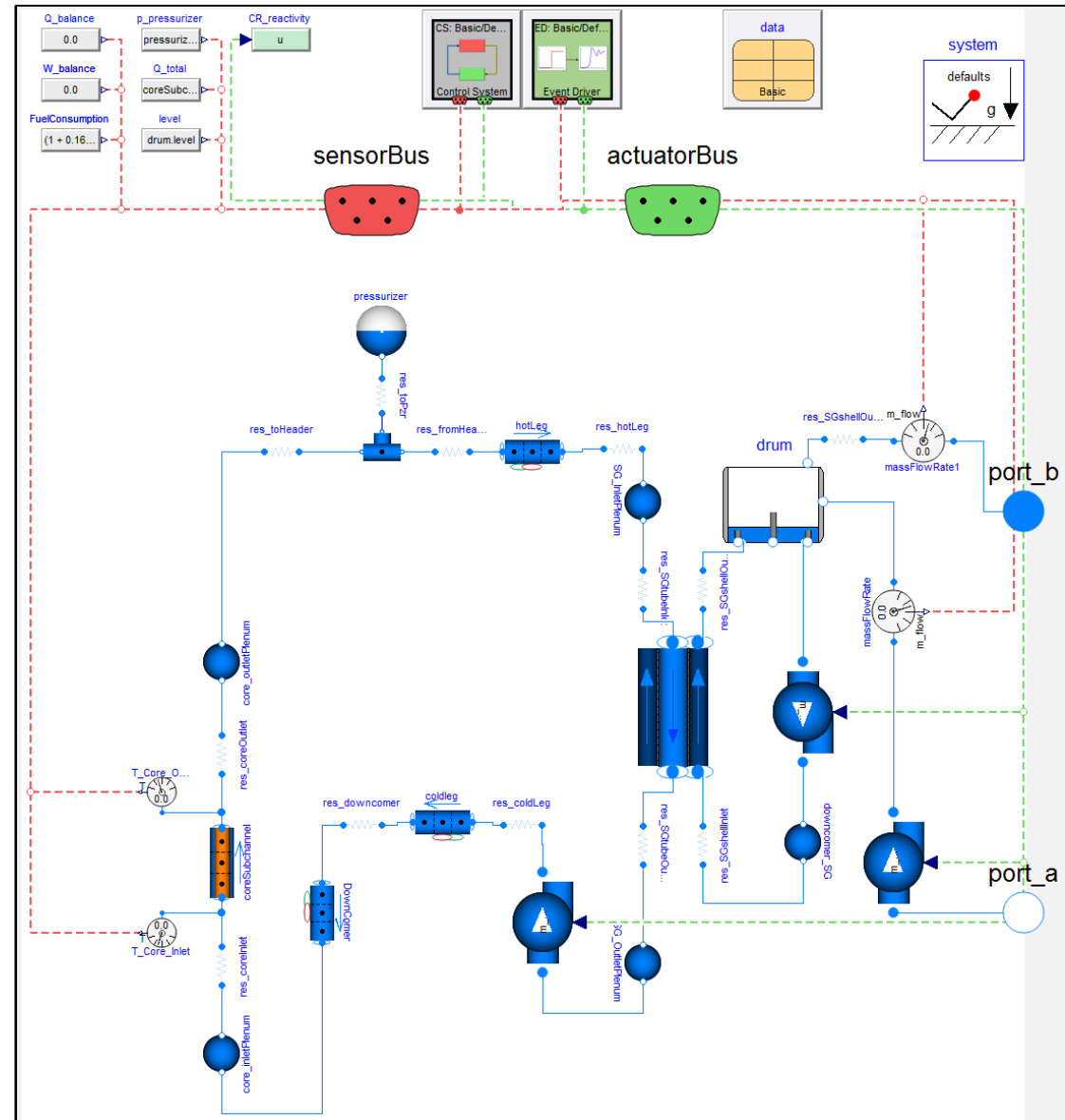
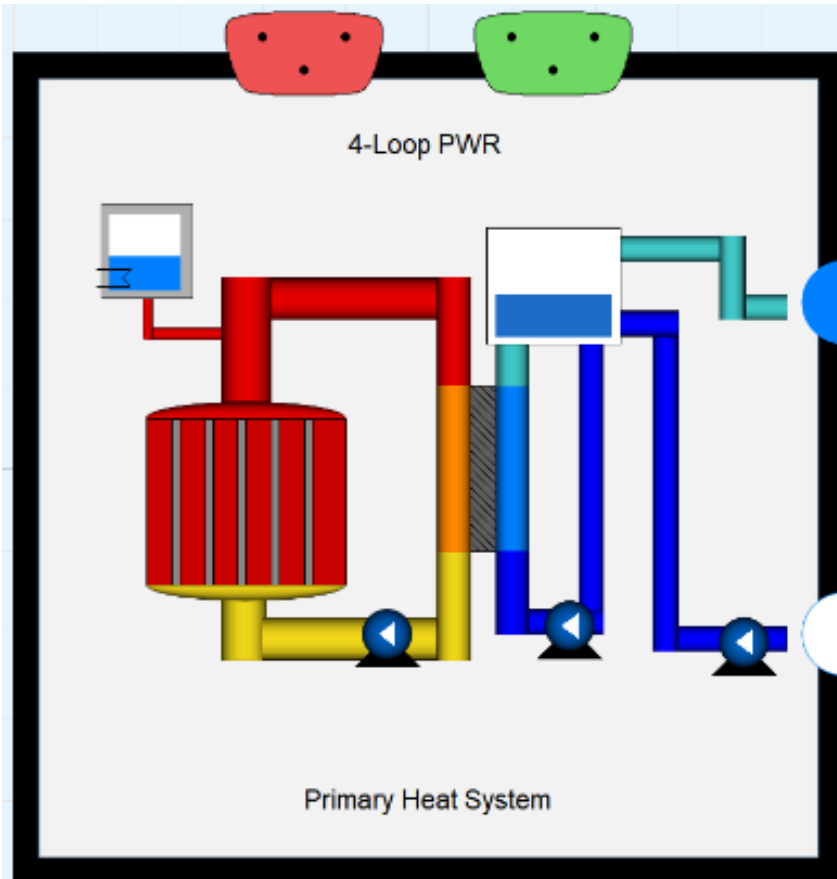
- The individual Modelica models can be exported using the FMI/FMU standard and then reconnected within an FMI importing environment.
- Using a standardized templating system the interconnection of external models with modelica models can be accomplished while preserving internal physics and even proprietary information.
- Through the use of FMI/FMUS trained Raven AI's can be interconnected with existing physical modelica models.



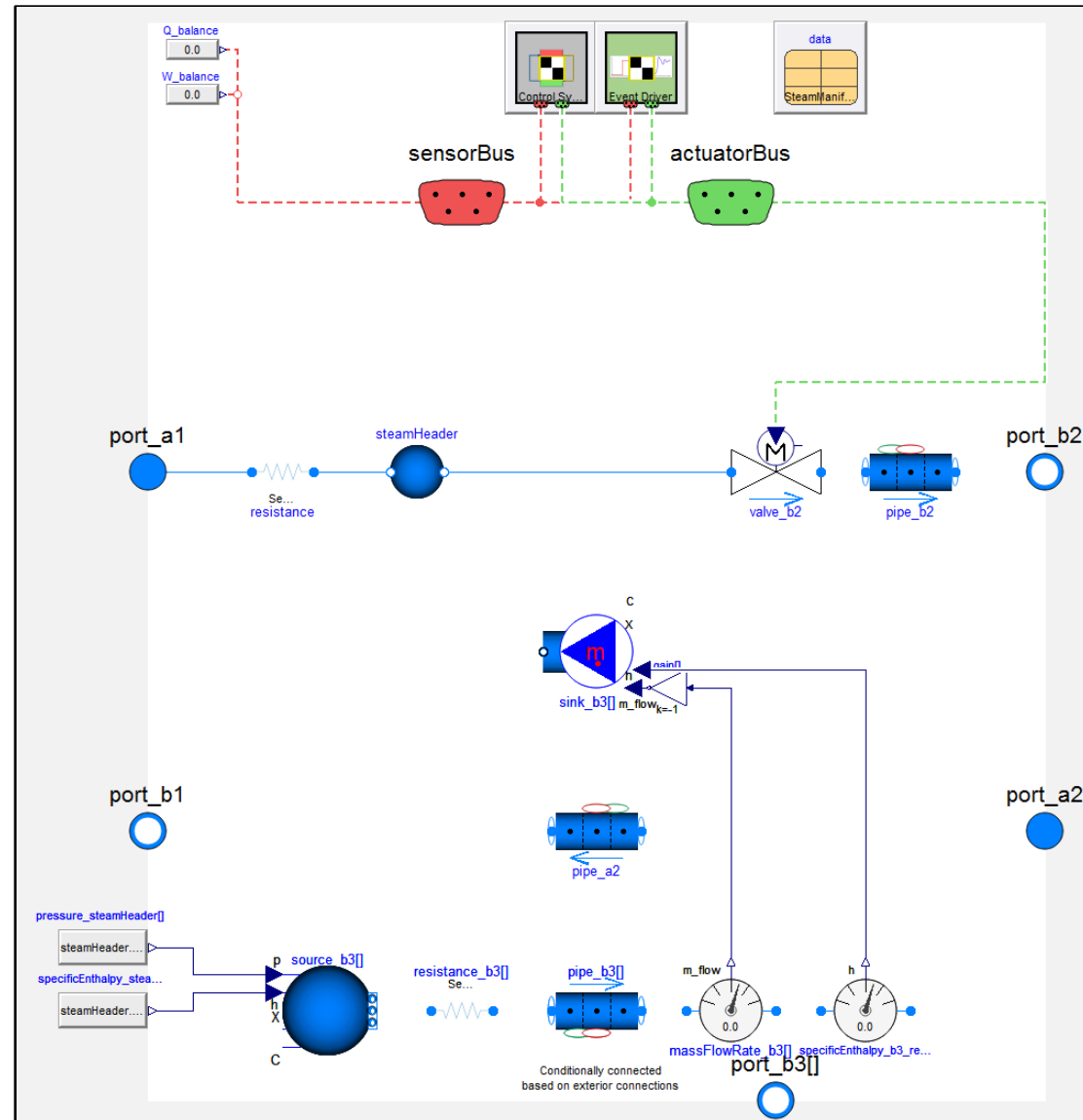
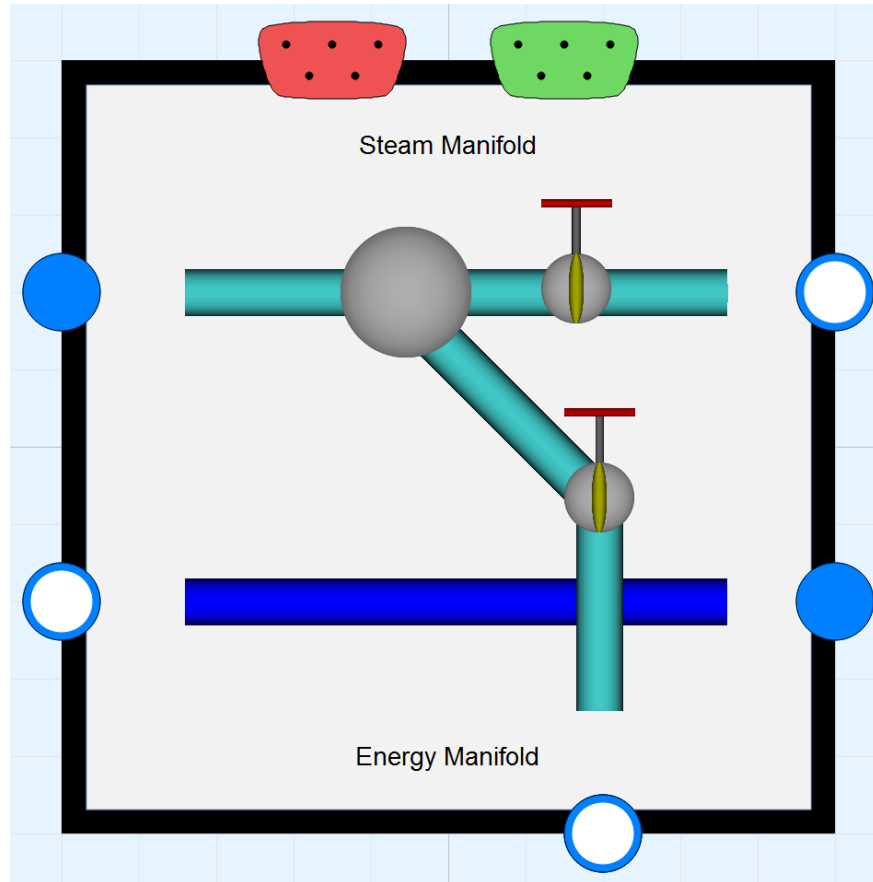
Transient NuScale style Model in the Modelica Language



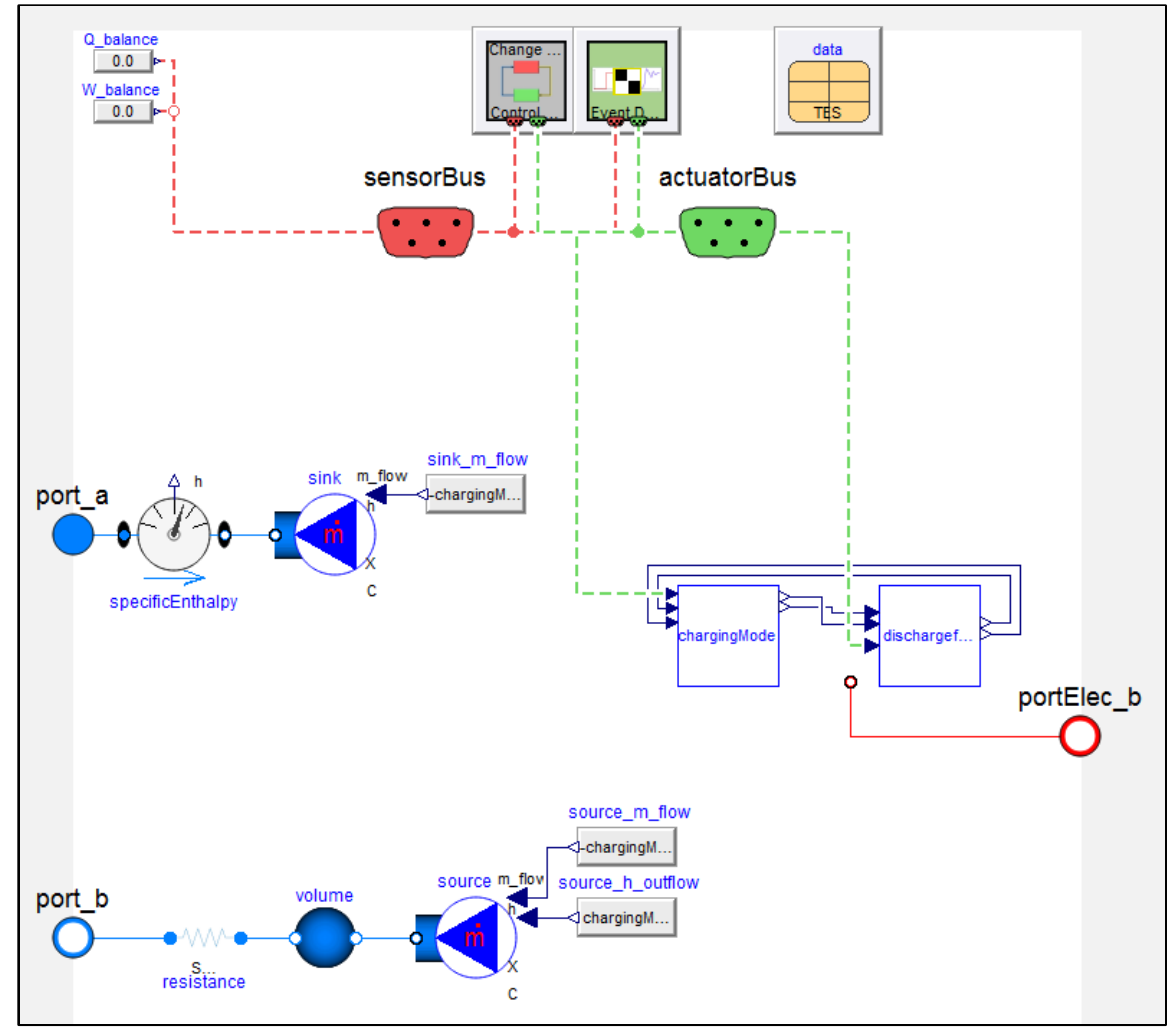
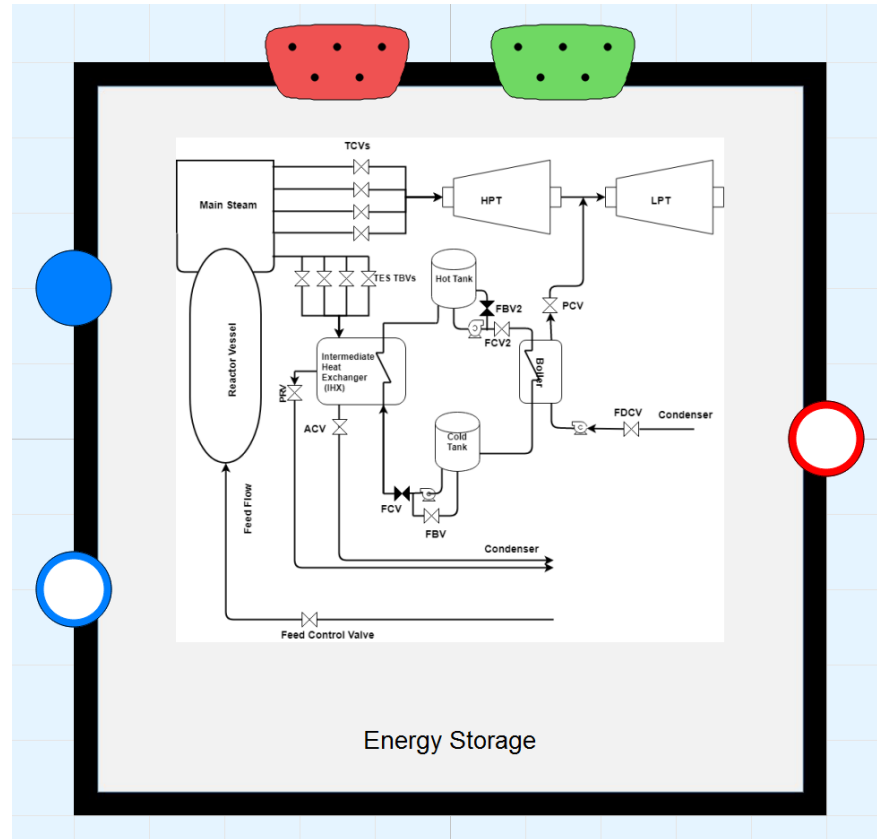
PHS– Westinghouse (WH) style: 4-Loop Pressurized Water Reactor (PWR)



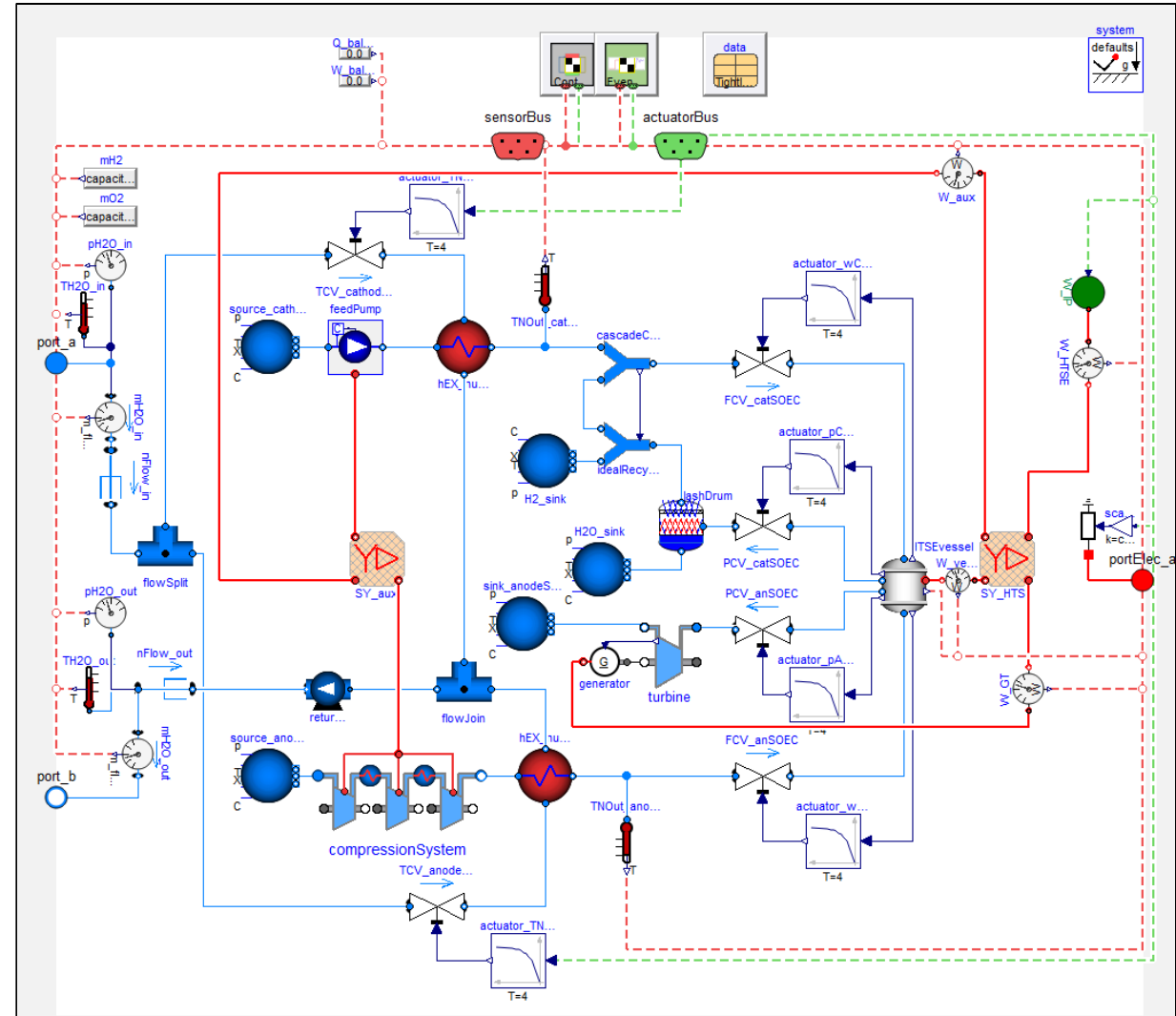
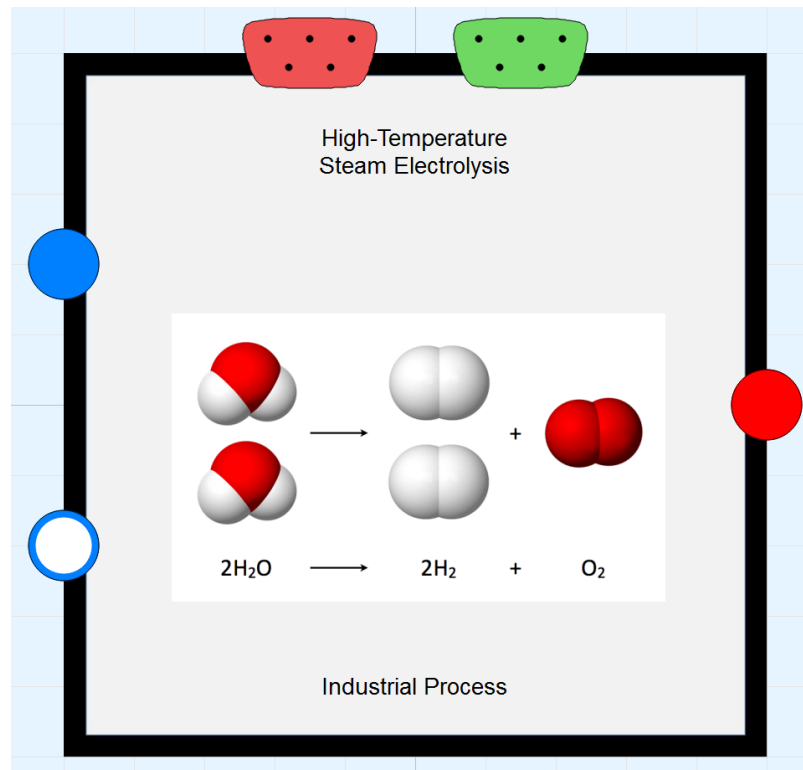
Energy Manifold



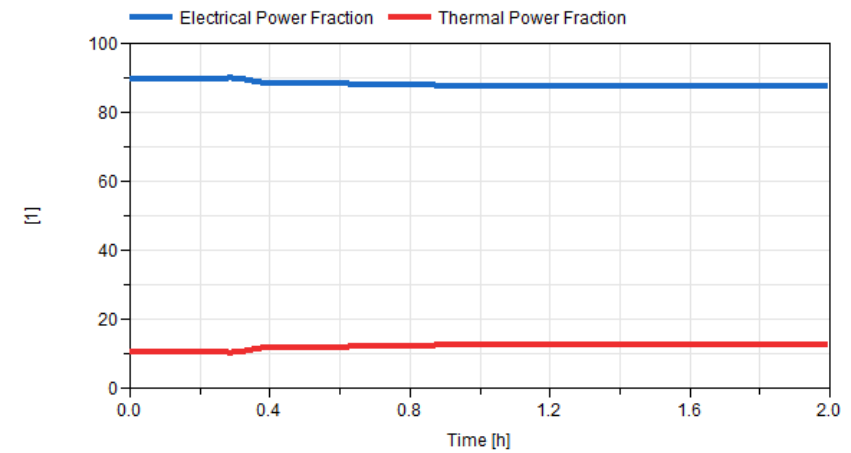
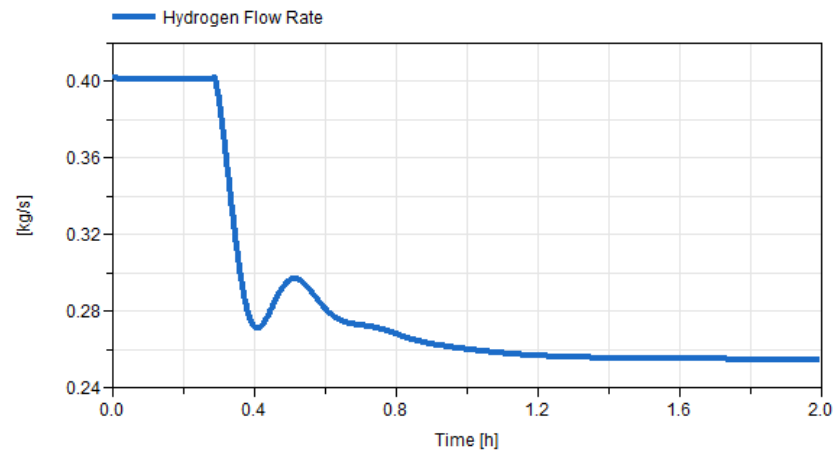
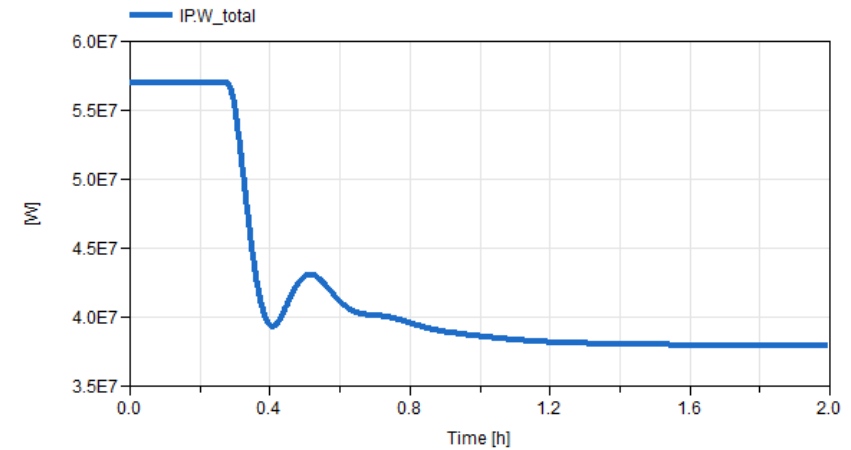
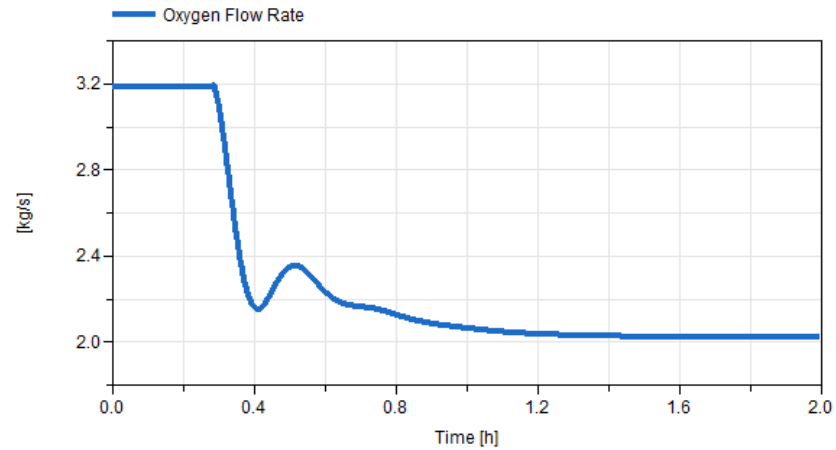
ES – Sensible Thermal Energy Storage (TES)



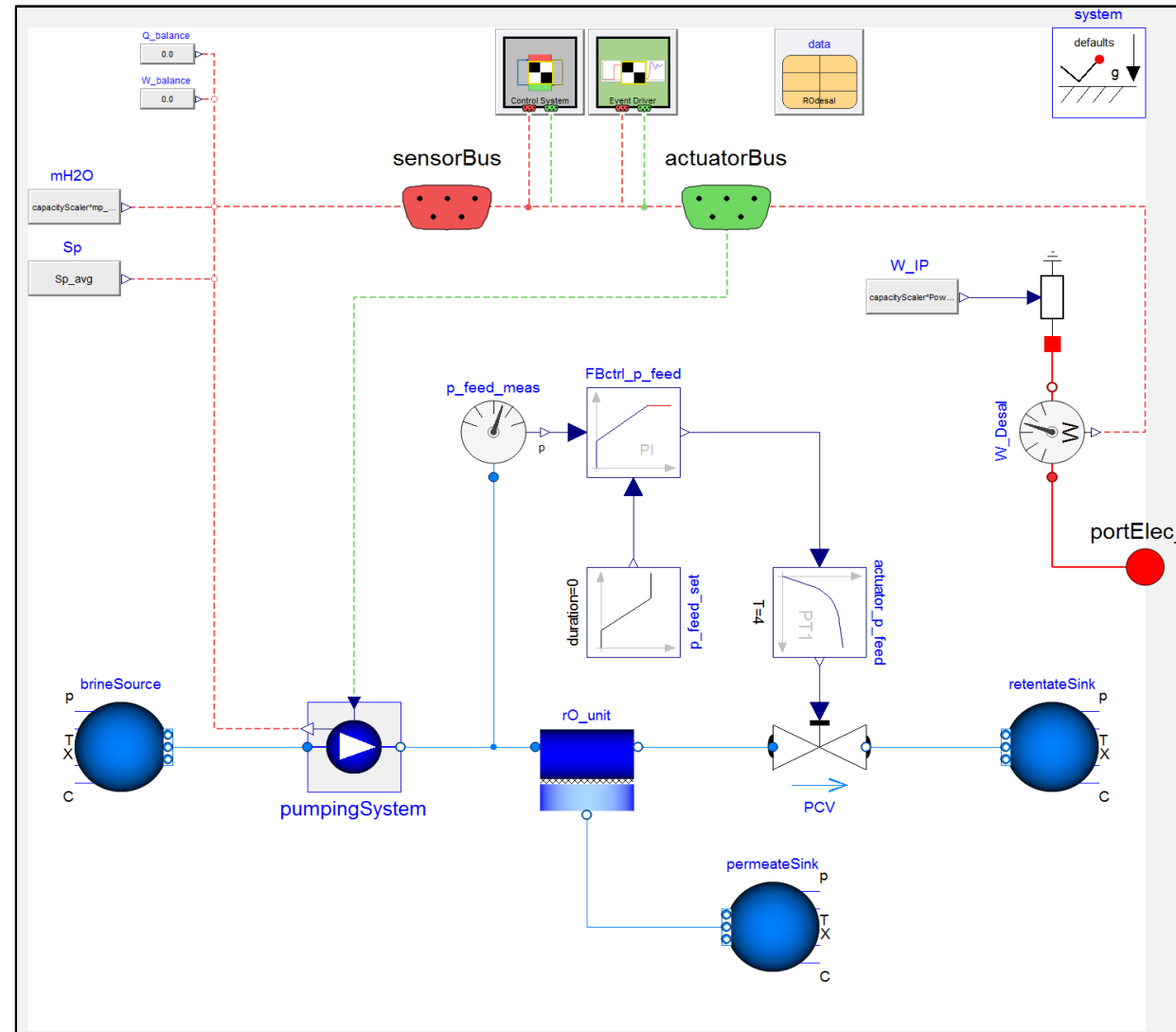
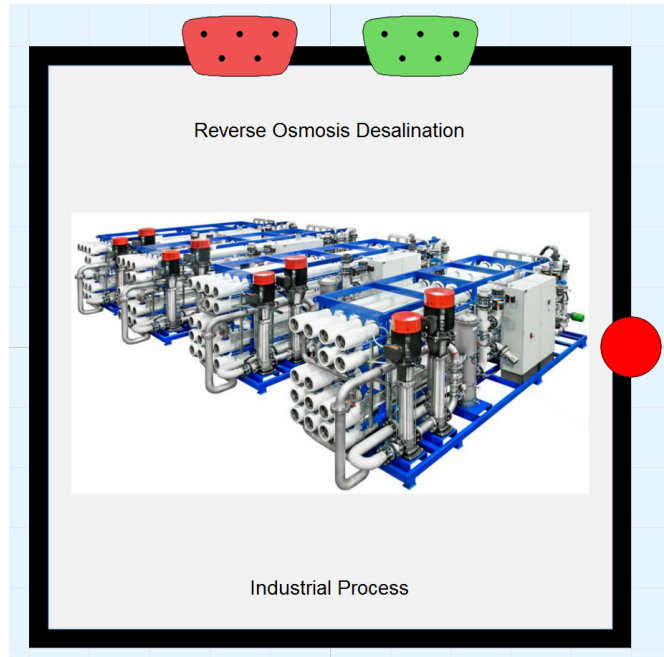
High-Temperature Steam Electrolysis (HTSE)



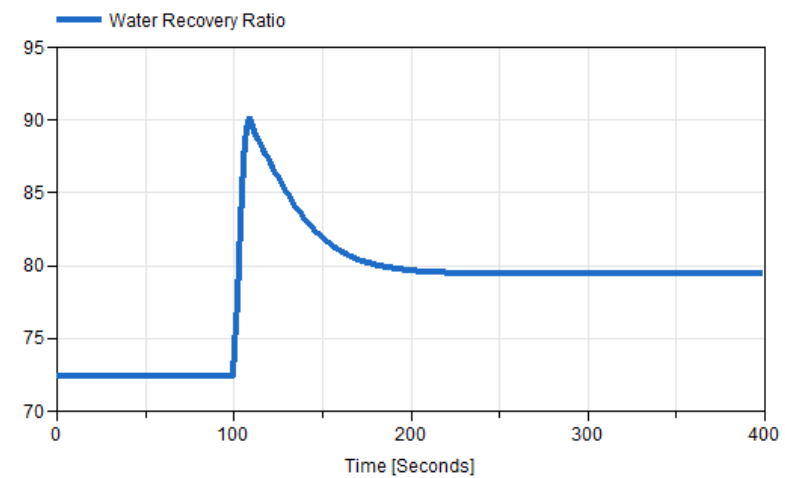
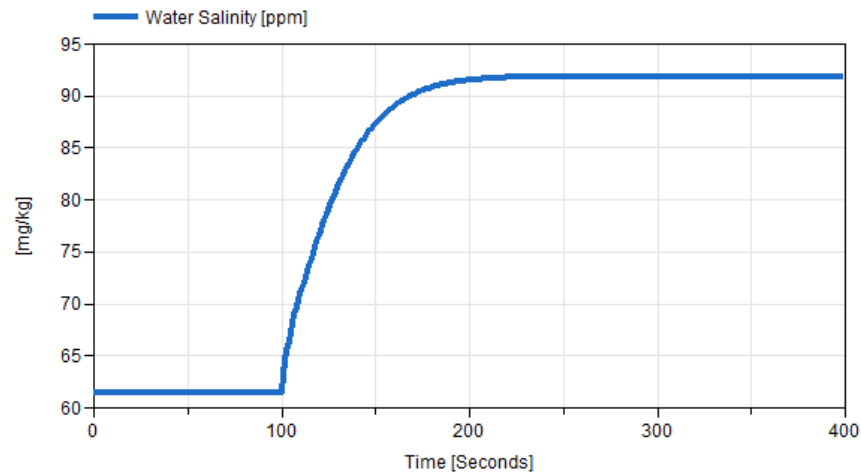
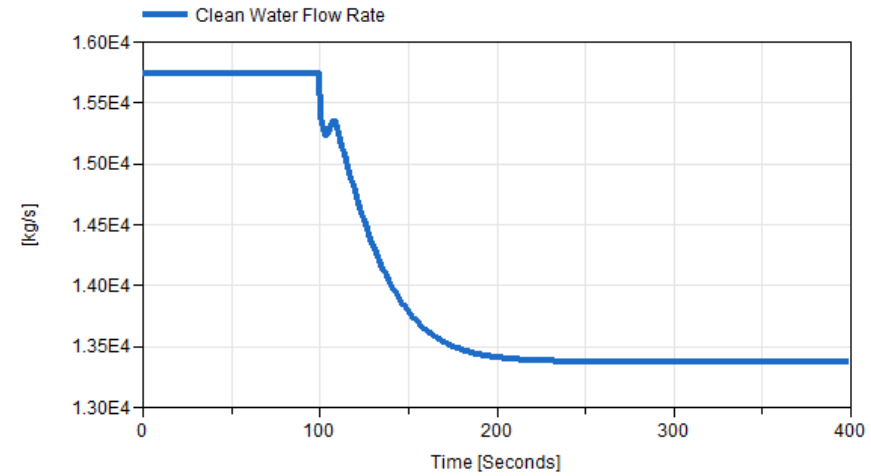
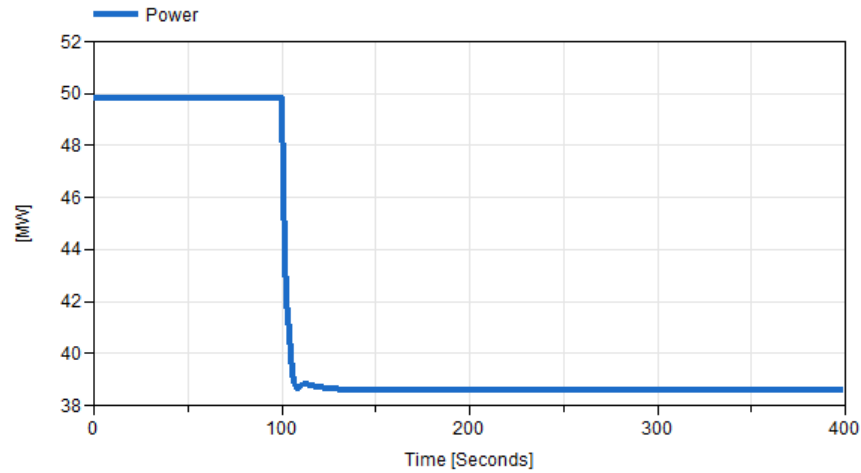
HTSE Two-Hour Simulation



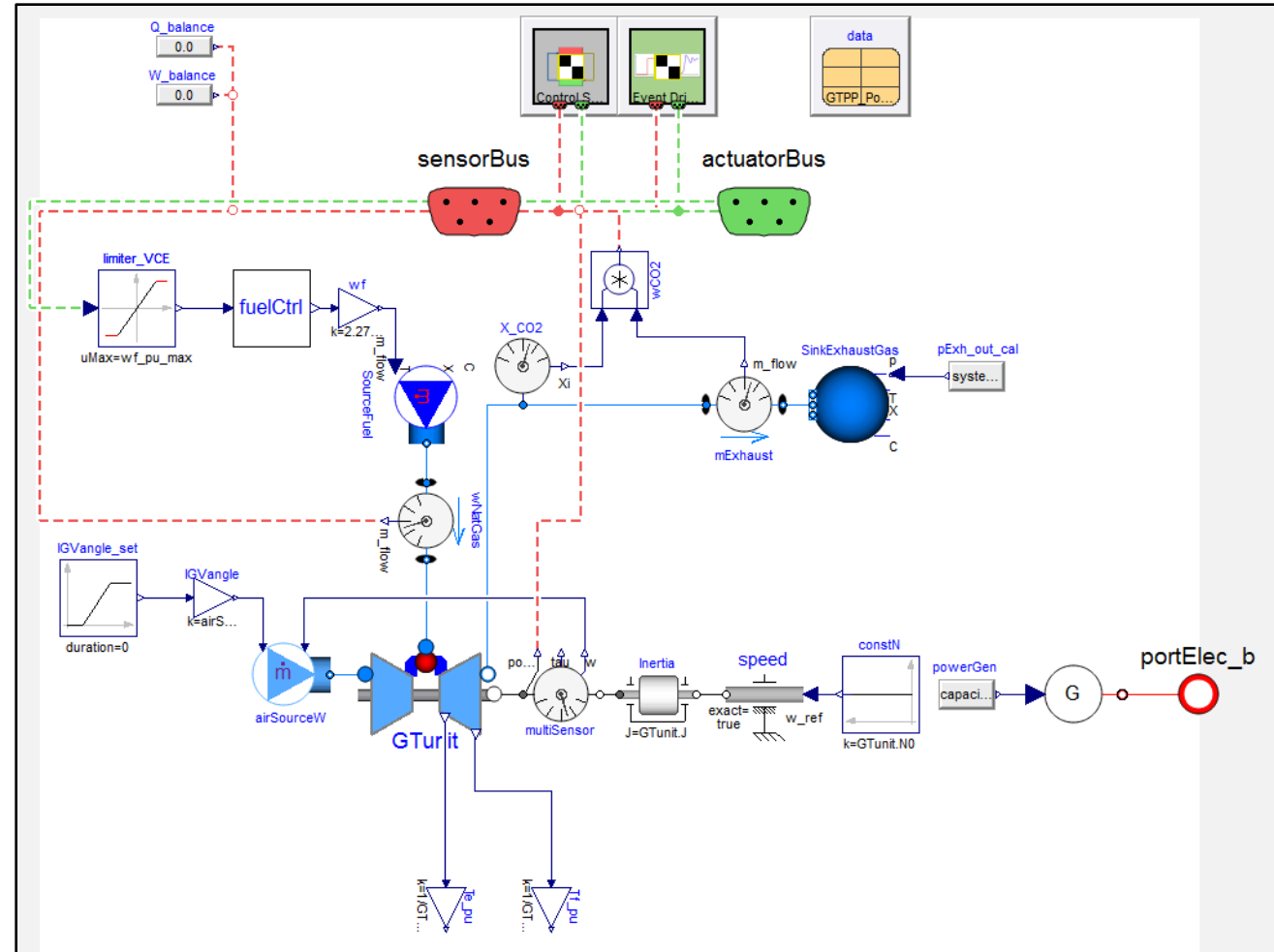
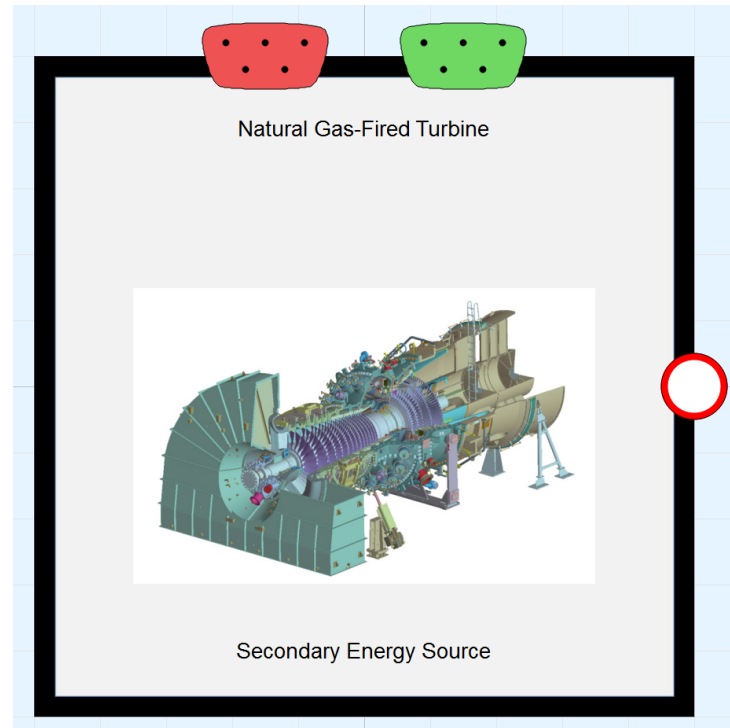
Reverse Osmosis (RO) Desalination



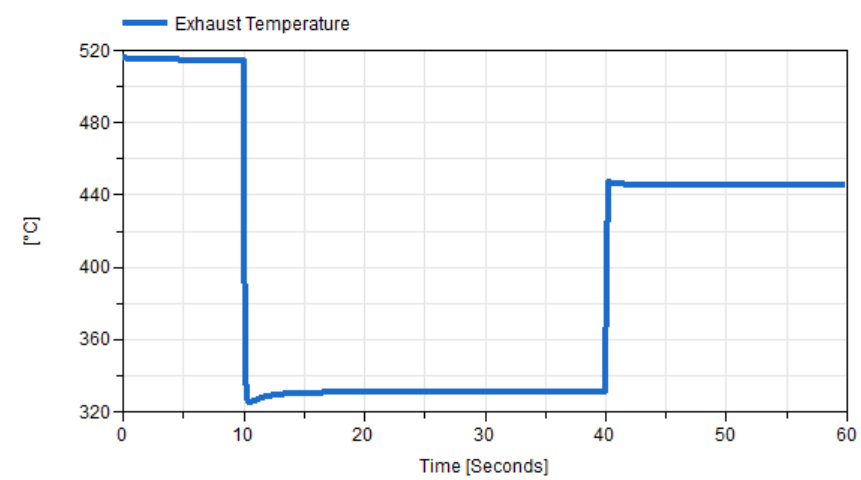
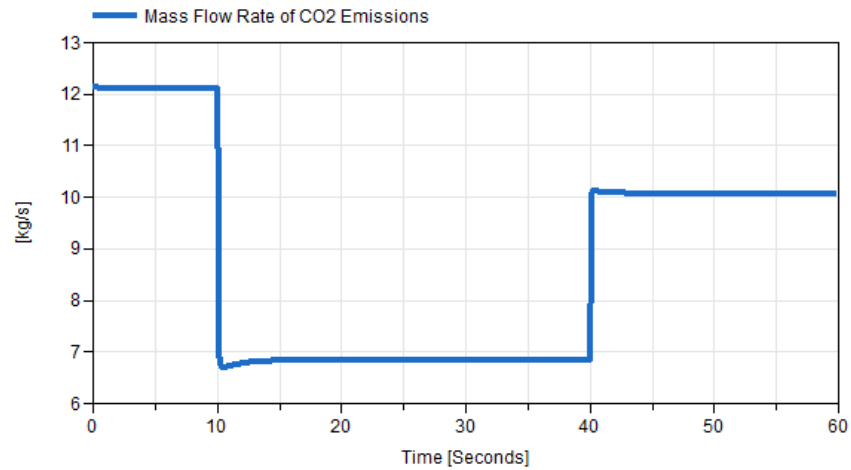
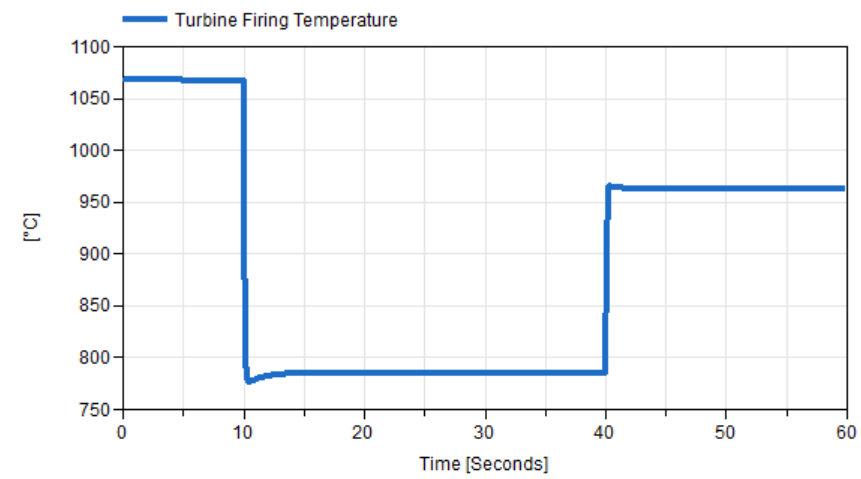
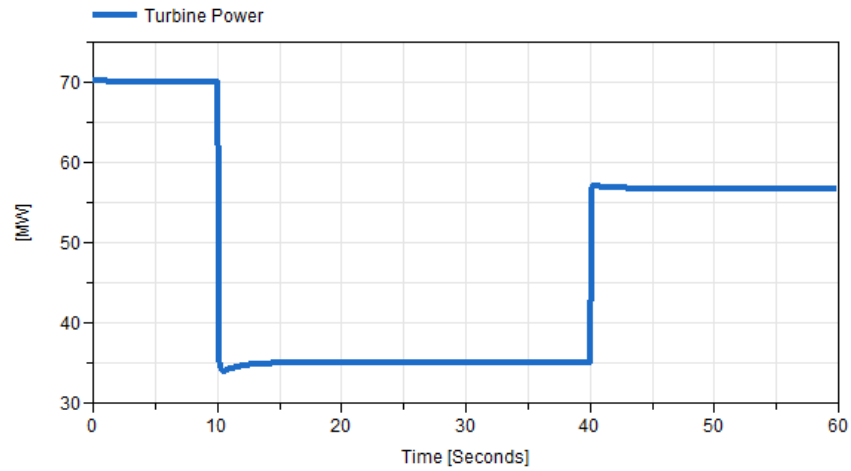
Reverse Osmosis 400 Second Run



Natural Gas Fired Turbine



60 Second Dynamics



Simulation Capabilities/ Limitations

| Subsystem | | Simulation (All simulation times using Dymola 2018 – New CPU numbers have not been run with Dymola 2020) | | | |
|--------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| Category | Model | Settling time (min) | Stop time (s) [Interval length (s)] | CPU time (s) | CPU time/ Stop time |
| PHS | SMR – NuScale Style | <15 | 100 [1] | -- | -- |
| | WH style 4-Loop PWR | <60 | 10,000 [1] | 33.31 | 0.0033 |
| EM | Steam manifold | <60 | 100 [1] | 0.623 | 0.0032 |
| BOP | Ideal steam turbine | <60 | 100 [1] | 0.06 | 0.0006 |
| IP | HTSE | <45 | 3,600 [1] | 11.48 | 0.0032 |
| | RO desalination | <30 | 400 [1] | 6.66 | 0.0166 |
| ES | Battery | <60 | 100 [1] | 0.006 | 0.00006 |
| | Sensible TES | 5–10 | 93,600 [1] | 57.07 | 0.00061 |
| SES | GTPP | 1–5 | 600 [1] | 0.067 | 0.00011 |
| Integrated energy system | FY17 example: WH + HTSE + Battery + GTPP | – | 352,800 [10] | 5,886 | 0.0167 |
| | FY18 example: WH PWR + HTSE + Battery + GTPP | – | 86,400 [10] | 213 | 0.0025 |

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