

Molecular-Flow Simulations with Molflow+

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Beam Gas Curtain Project Review

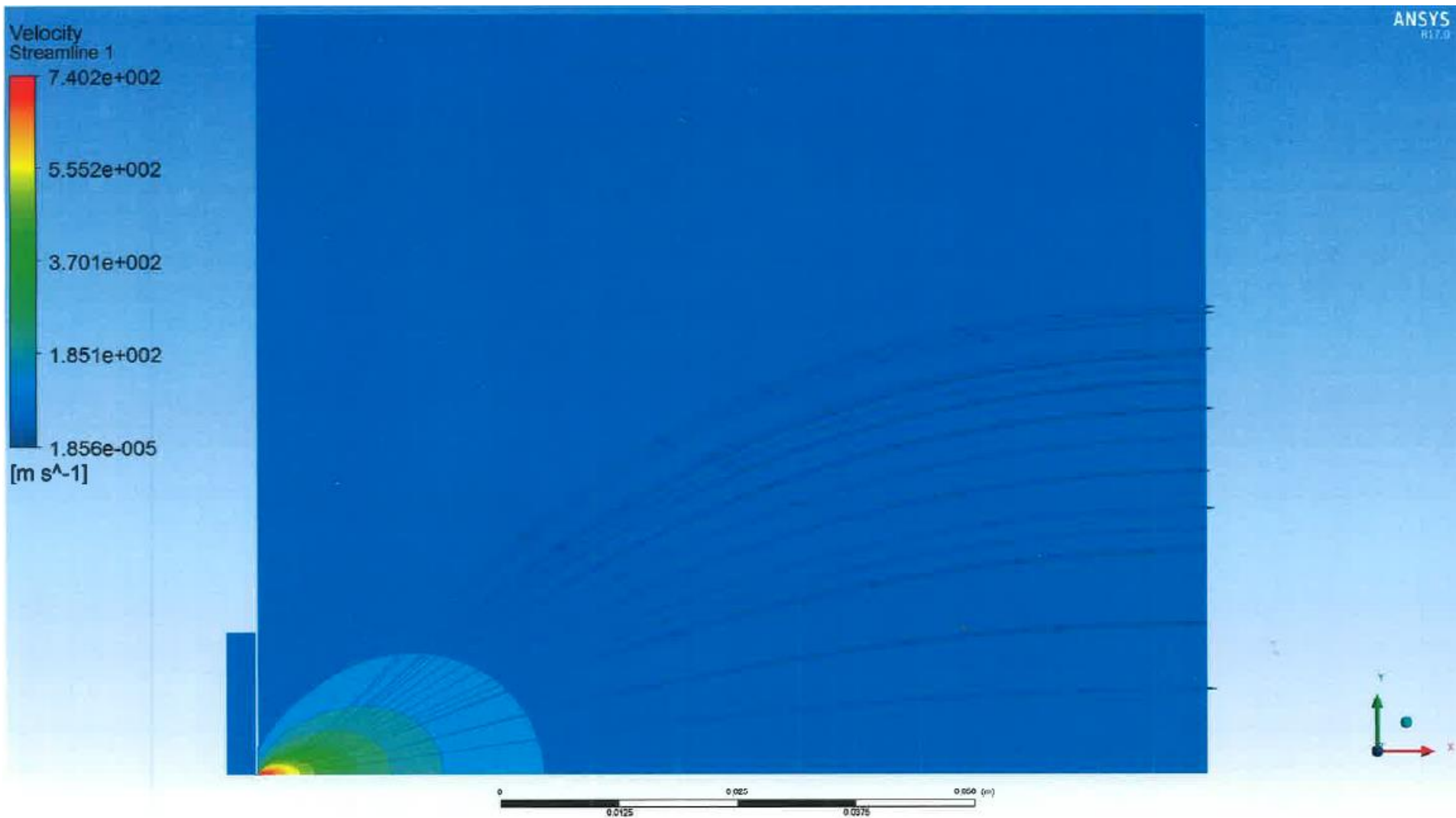
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Introduction:

1. The Test-Particle Monte Carlo (TPMC) code Molflow+ has been applied to check the feasibility of ray-tracing optimization of the beam-gas curtain detector (BGCD) geometry;
2. Viscous-flow regime calculations made with ANSYS have been used as an input for the effusion from the high-pressure side and into the 1st skimmer (P. Magagnin);
3. A CAD model, in STL format, has been used as input (courtesy of Elena Barrios Diaz), and then edited within Molflow+ to apply all vacuum parameters (sticking and desorption coefficients);

Input parameters:

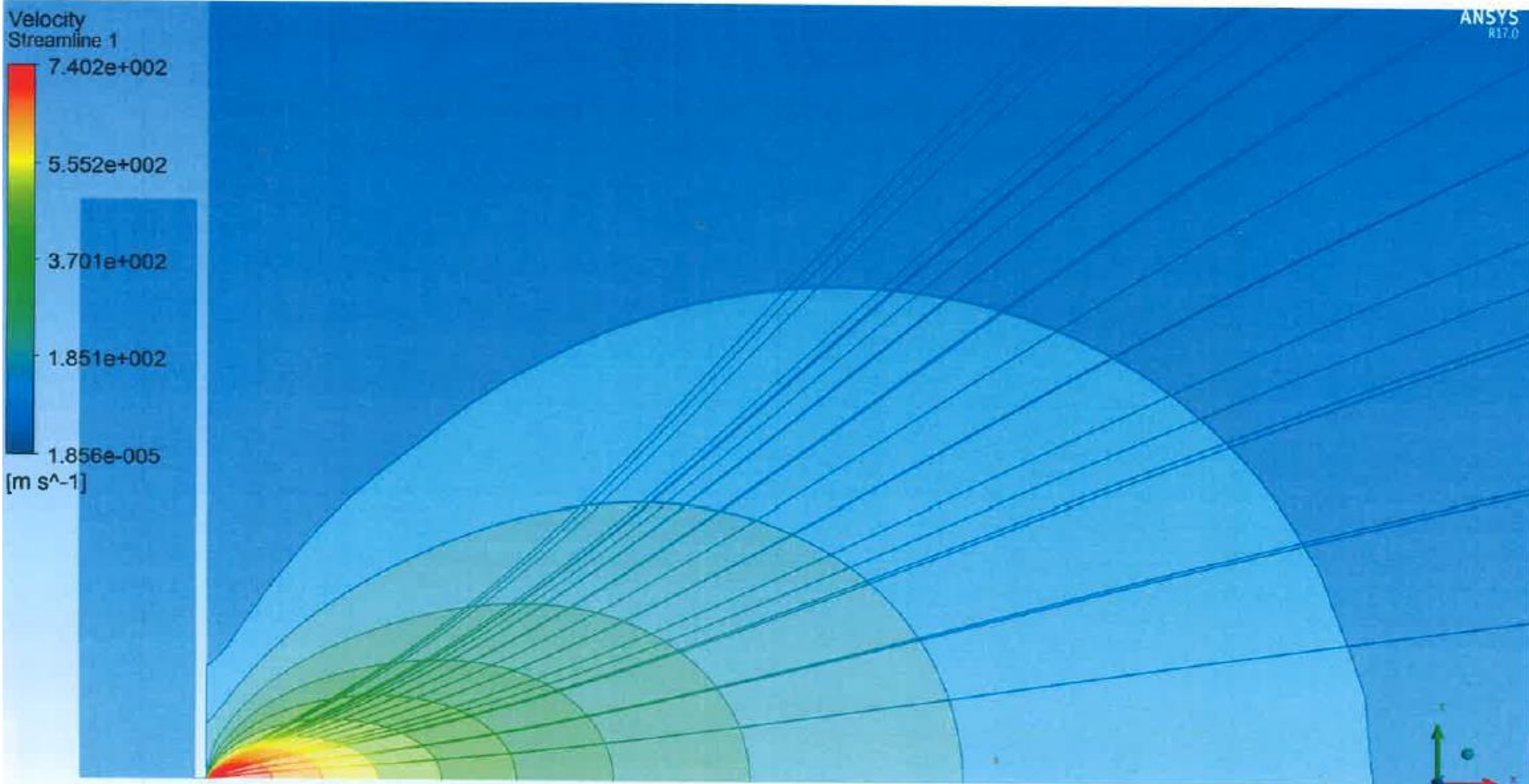
2. Viscous-flow regime input (P. Magagnin, personal communication, July 2016);



Horz. Scale: 50 mm

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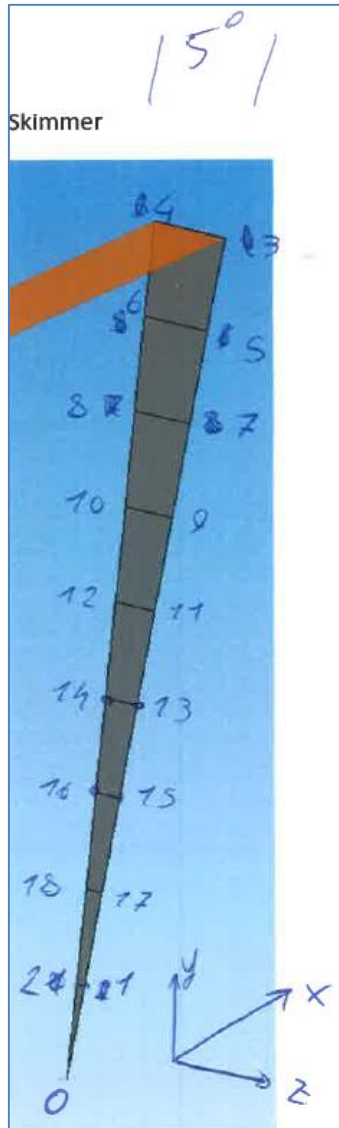
↑ st streamline
@ (0,0) mm



Horz. Scale: 10 mm

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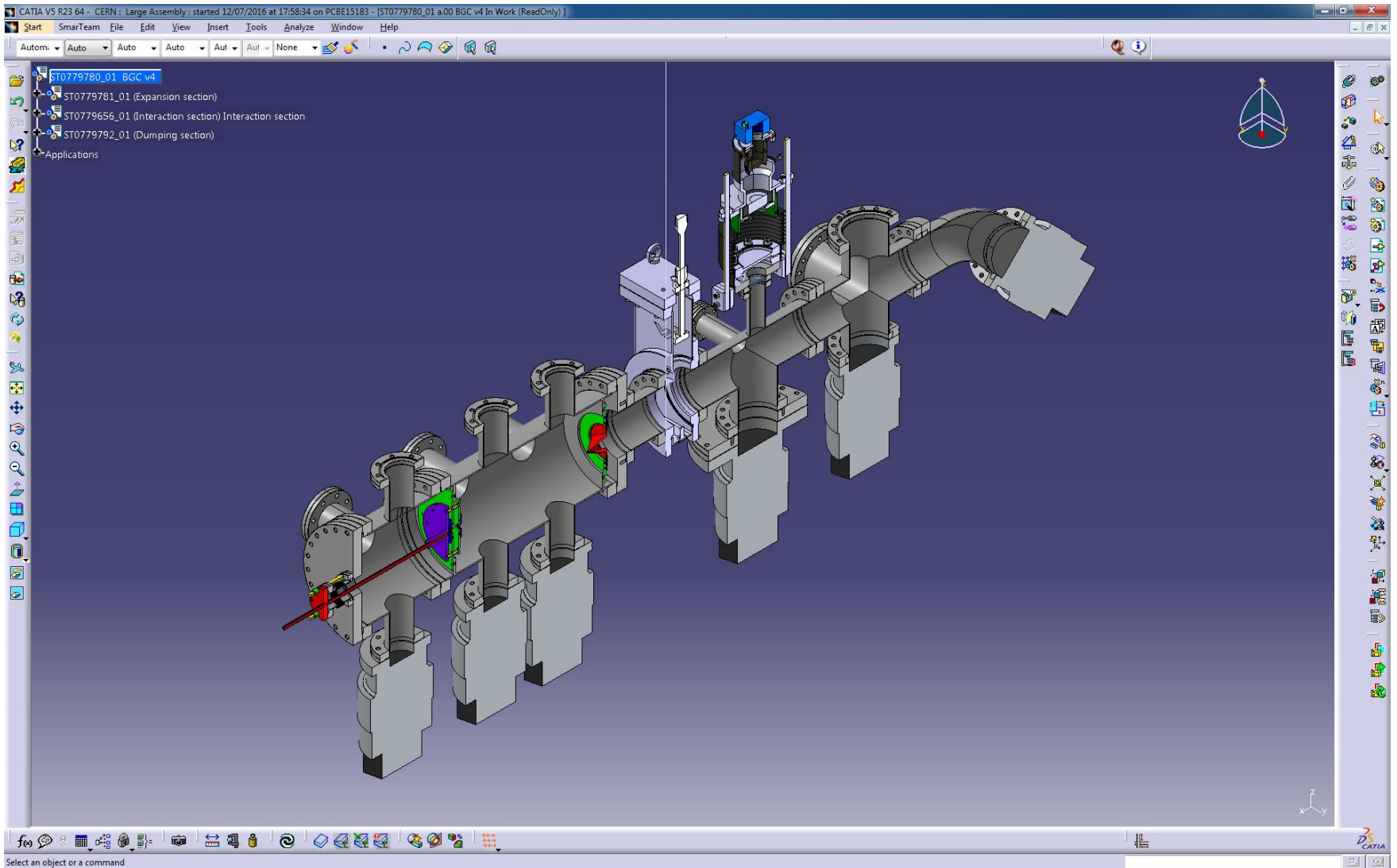


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7	11	2.99E-03	5.00E-05	0.00E+00	5.9074E+02	5.9069E+02	7.56E+00	0.00E+00	0.0128	0.00264	0.15128
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- One 5-deg slice of the circular orifice on the high-pressure side;
- The deviation angle of the velocity of the gas from the straight axis of the opening has been obtained combining the components of the velocity vector on each of the 9 sub-slices (computed by **M. Ady**);
- The actual speed of the molecules is **not important in steady-state conditions**, other than to determine the amount of gas flowing into the 1st skimmer;
- The orientation of the velocity vector is what matters in terms of **probability of collision with the walls of the system** (conical skimmers and pyramidal nozzle); After few wall collisions the quasi-monochromatic injected molecular beam quickly thermalizes and gets a Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution;

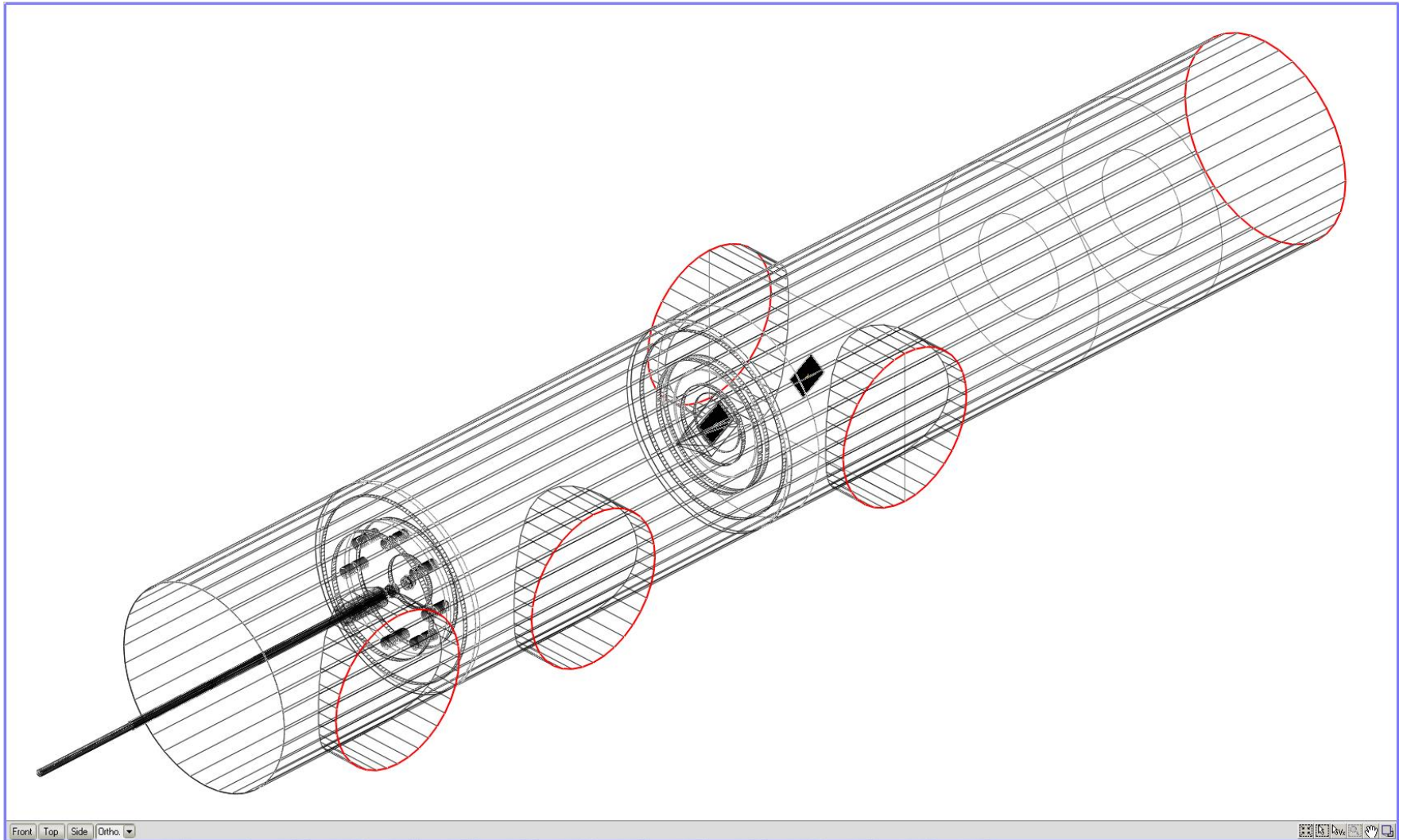
3D Model:

3. CAD model (Elena Barrios Diaz, personal communication, July 2016);



Molflow+ Model:

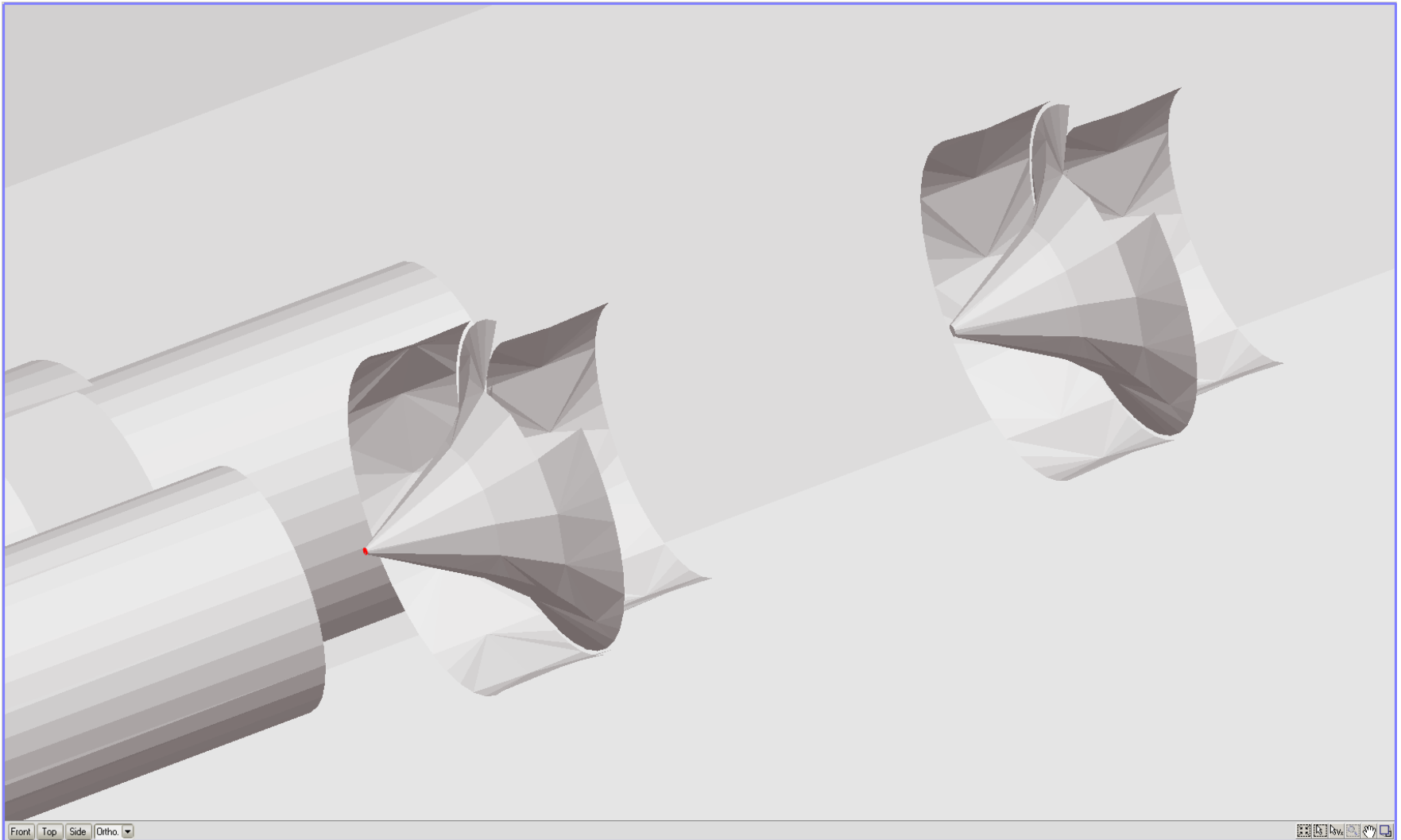
3. Molflow+ model (simplified);



- Red circles: inlet flange to 277 l/s pump;
- Dark rectangles: transparent, virtual facets, with textures to visualise and record hits;

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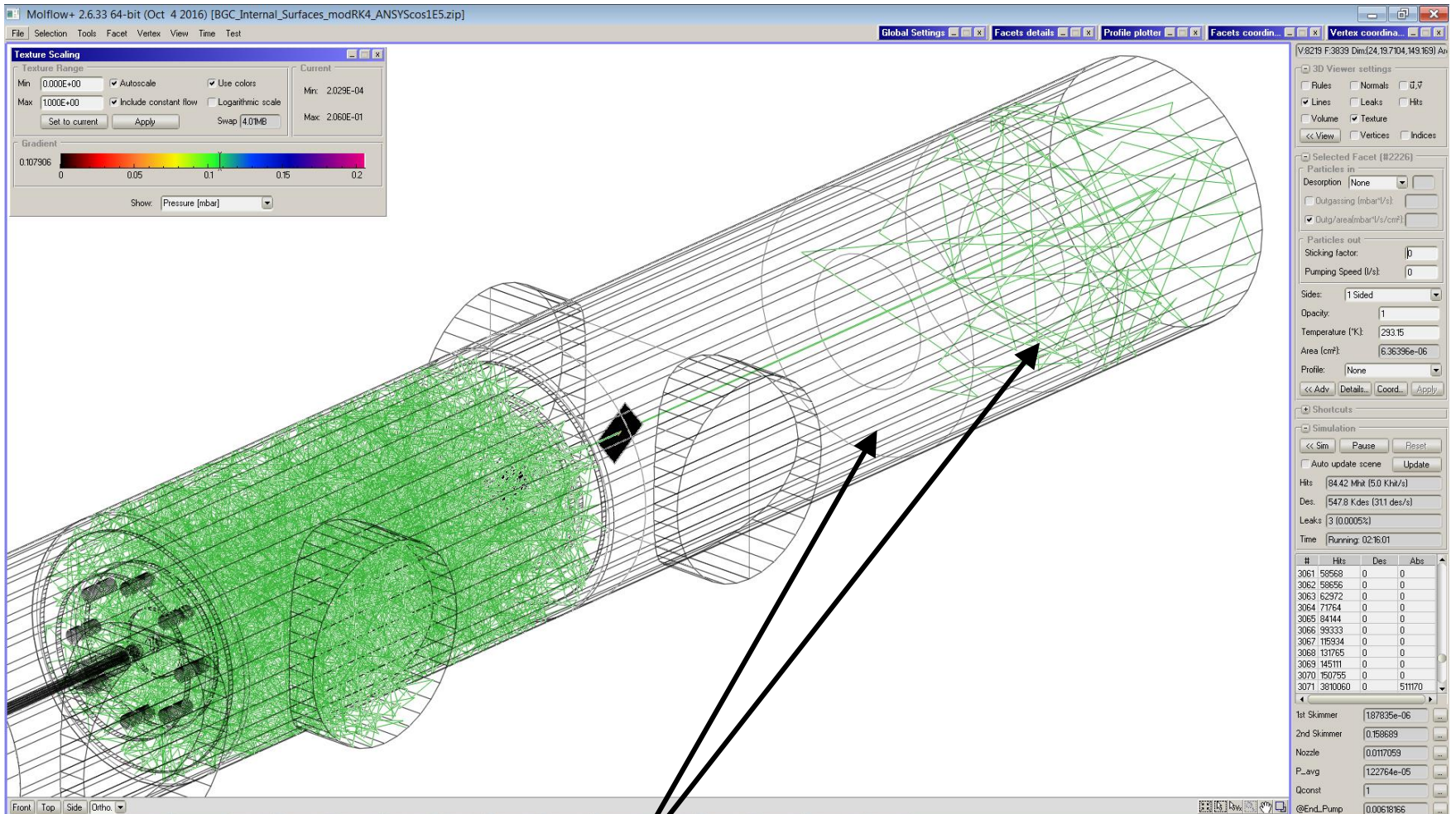
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Closer view into the first skimmer area; the little red dot is the inlet surface simulating the viscous-flow distribution as calculated by P. Magagnin;

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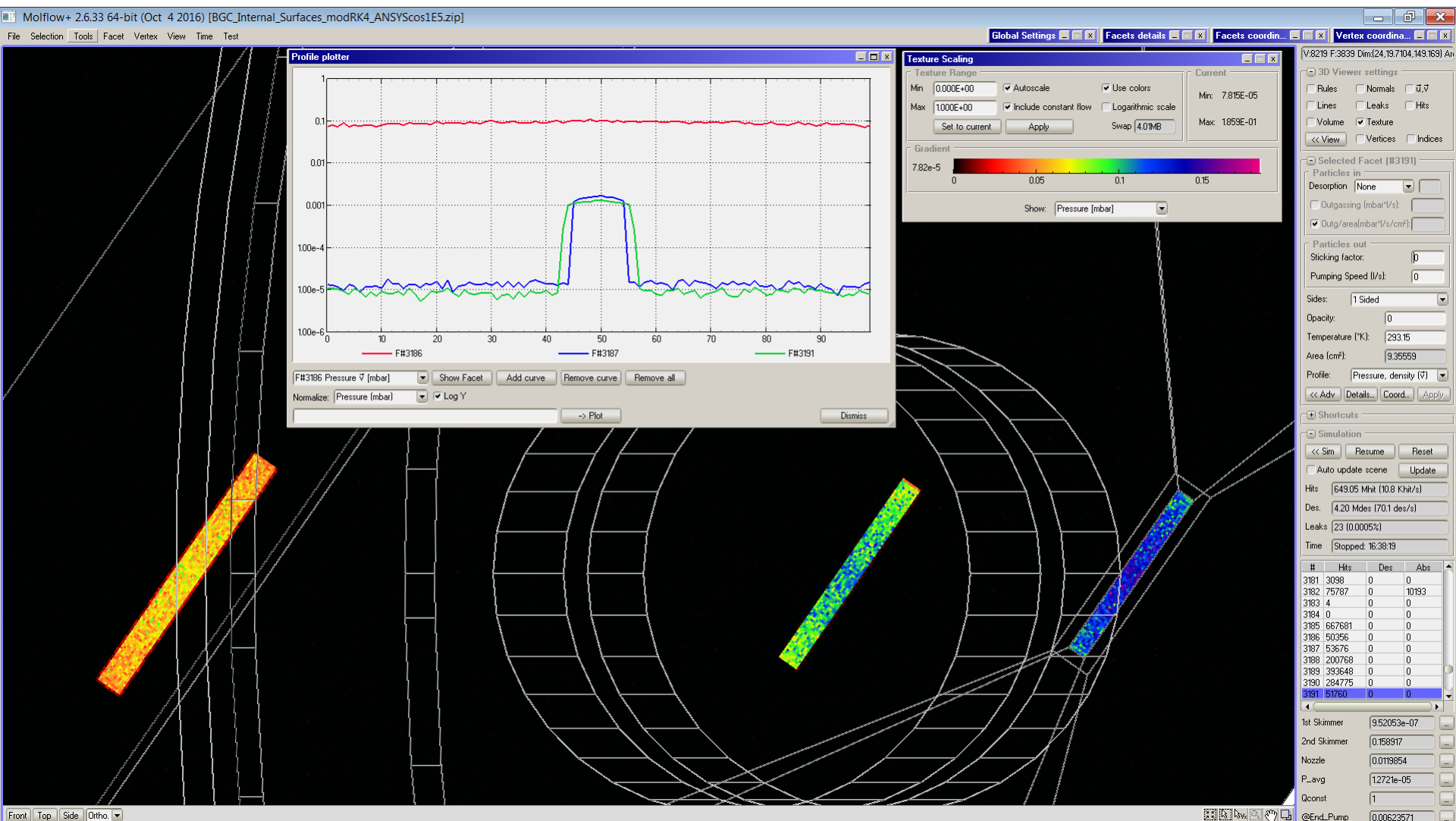
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Ray-tracing with Molflow: two baffles have been placed in front of the “dump” area turbo pump, to reduce backscattering from it;

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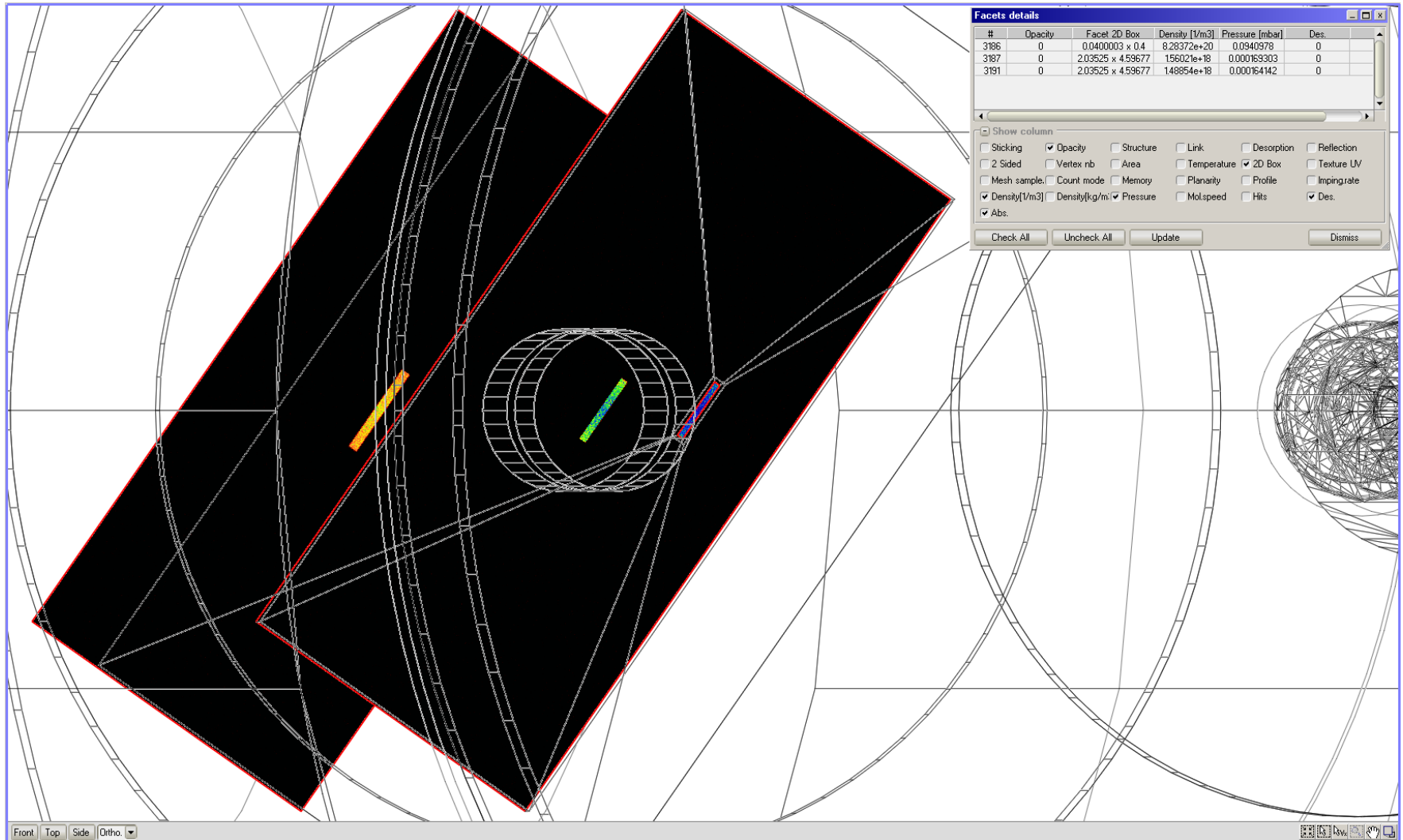
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- Close-up view of the textured surfaces;
- Right-to-Left: entrance to nozzle (red profile on inset), base of nozzle (blue), and interaction region (green); The horizontal axis on inset plots is longest side of textured rectangles;
- Red: $4 \times 0.4 \text{ mm}^2$ nozzle inlet; Blue and Green: $20.4 \times 46.0 \text{ mm}^2$;

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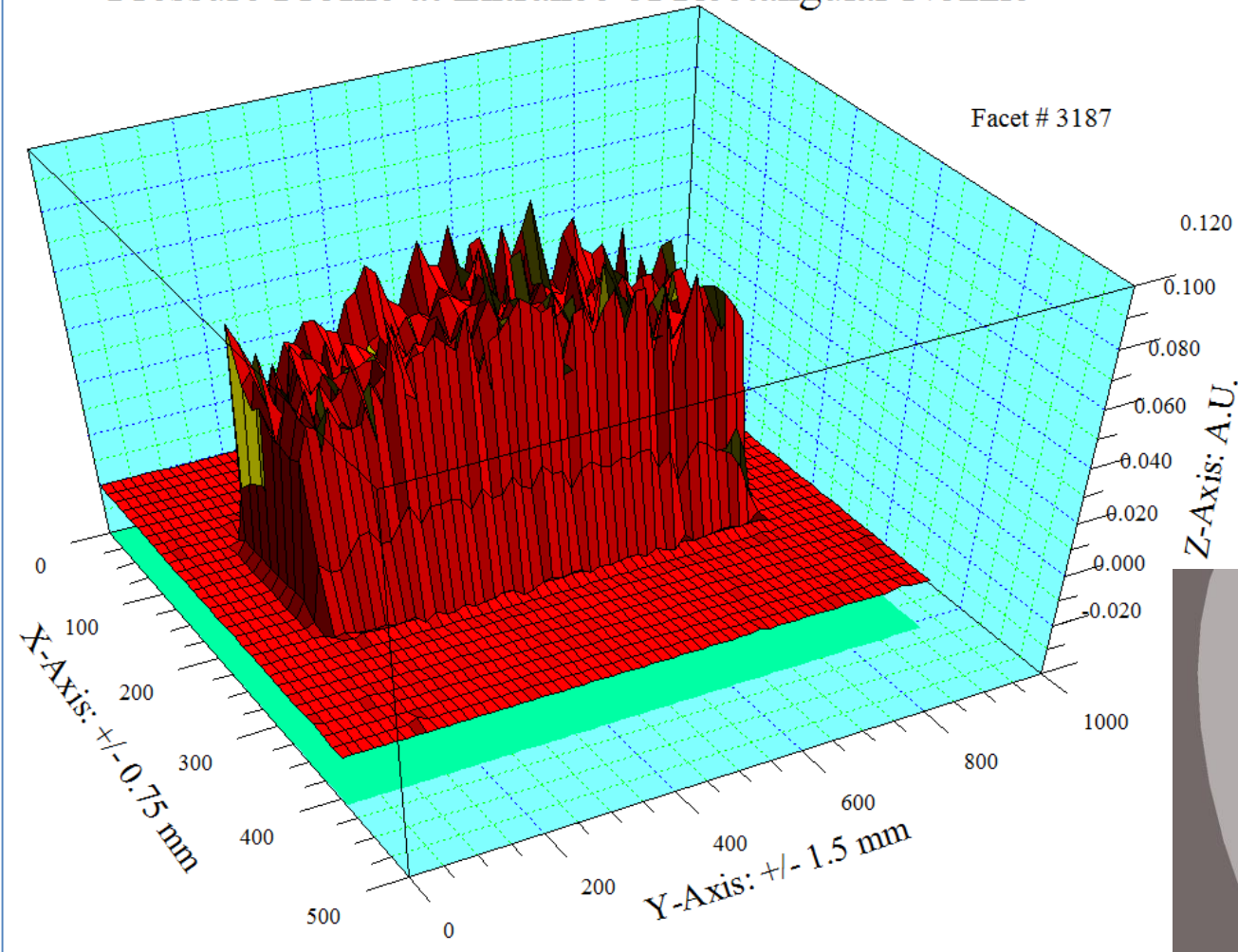


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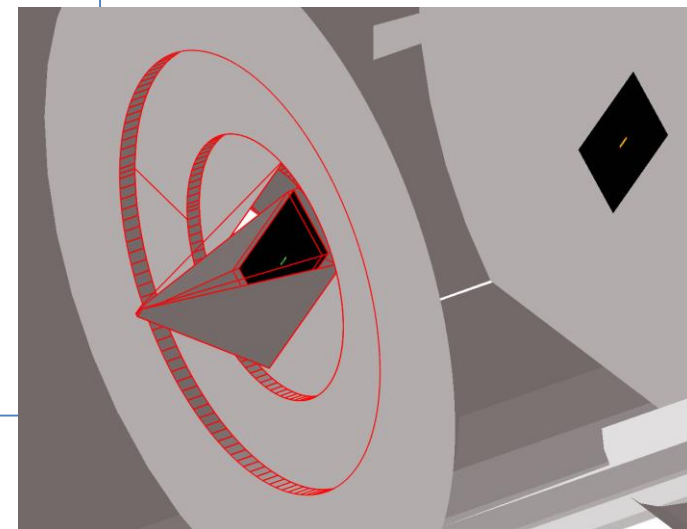
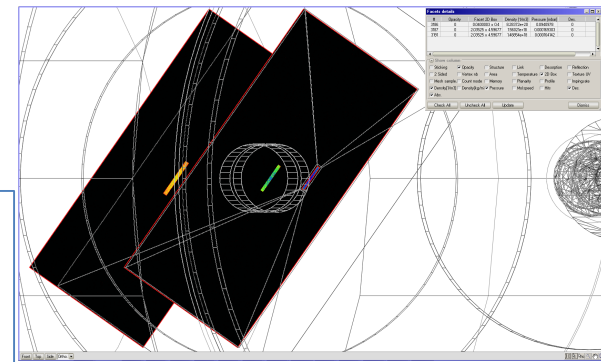
Molecular Distributions

3. Molflow+ model (simplified);

Beam-Gas Curtain:
Pressure Profile at Entrance of Rectangular Nozzle



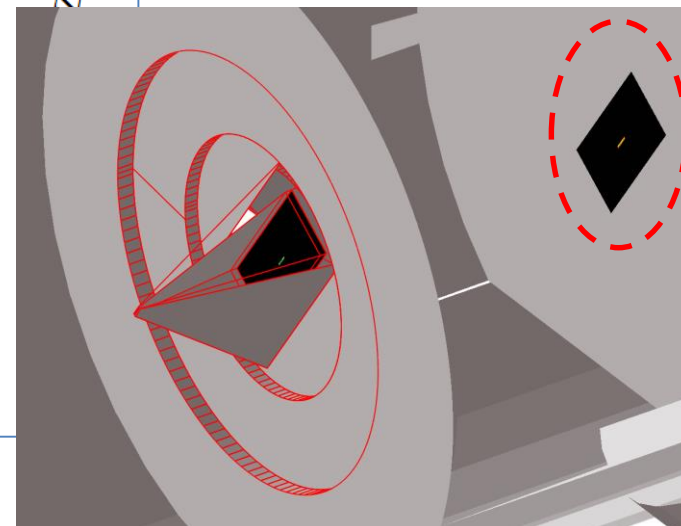
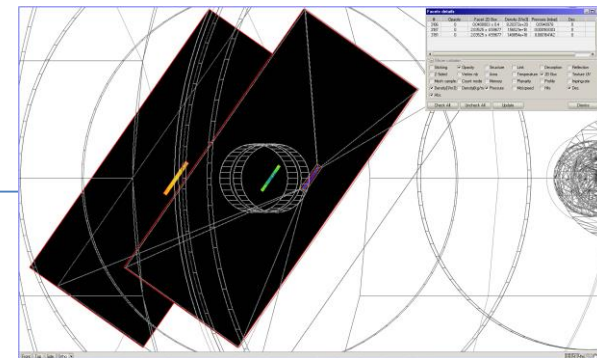
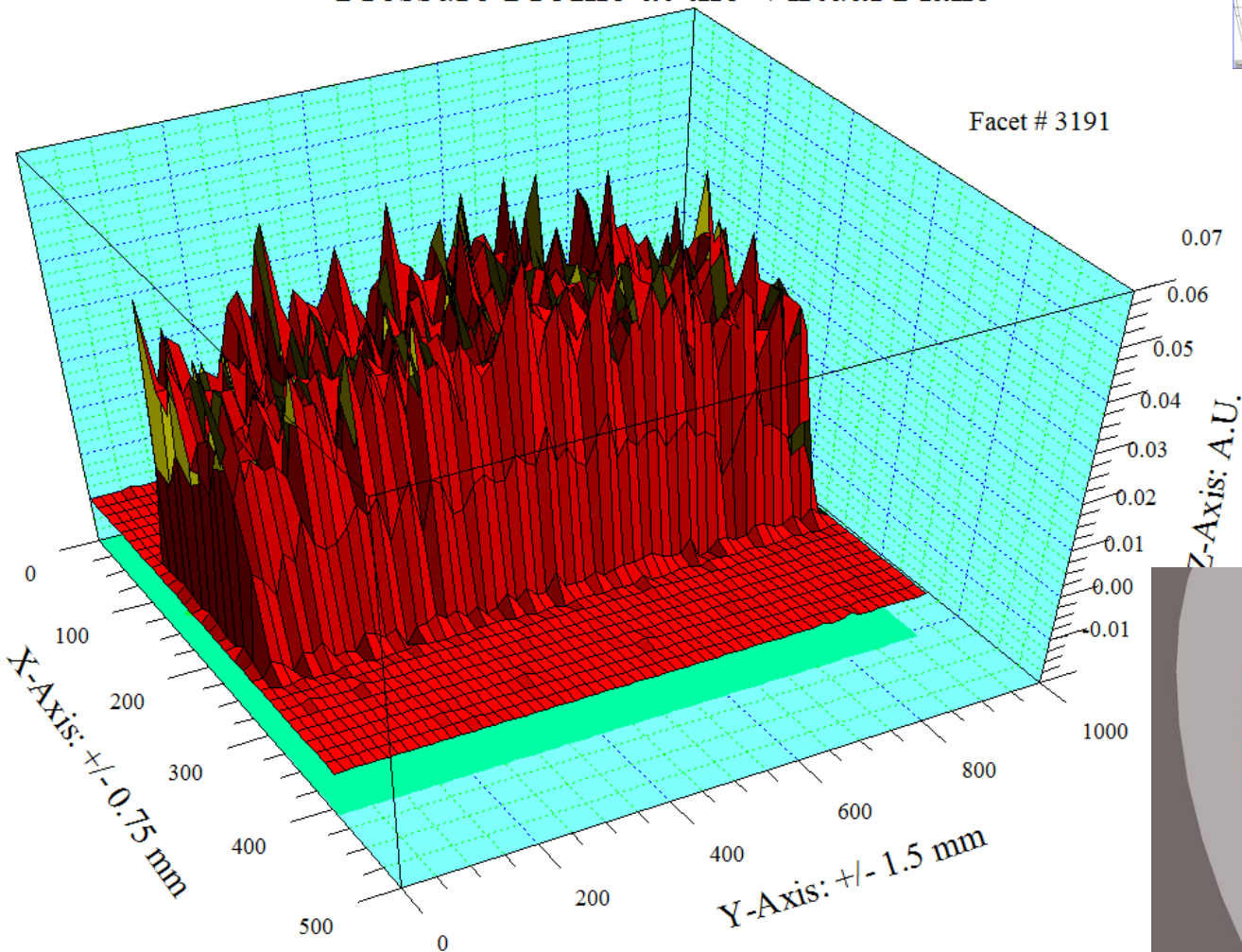
- Facet # 3187: base of pyramidal nozzle;



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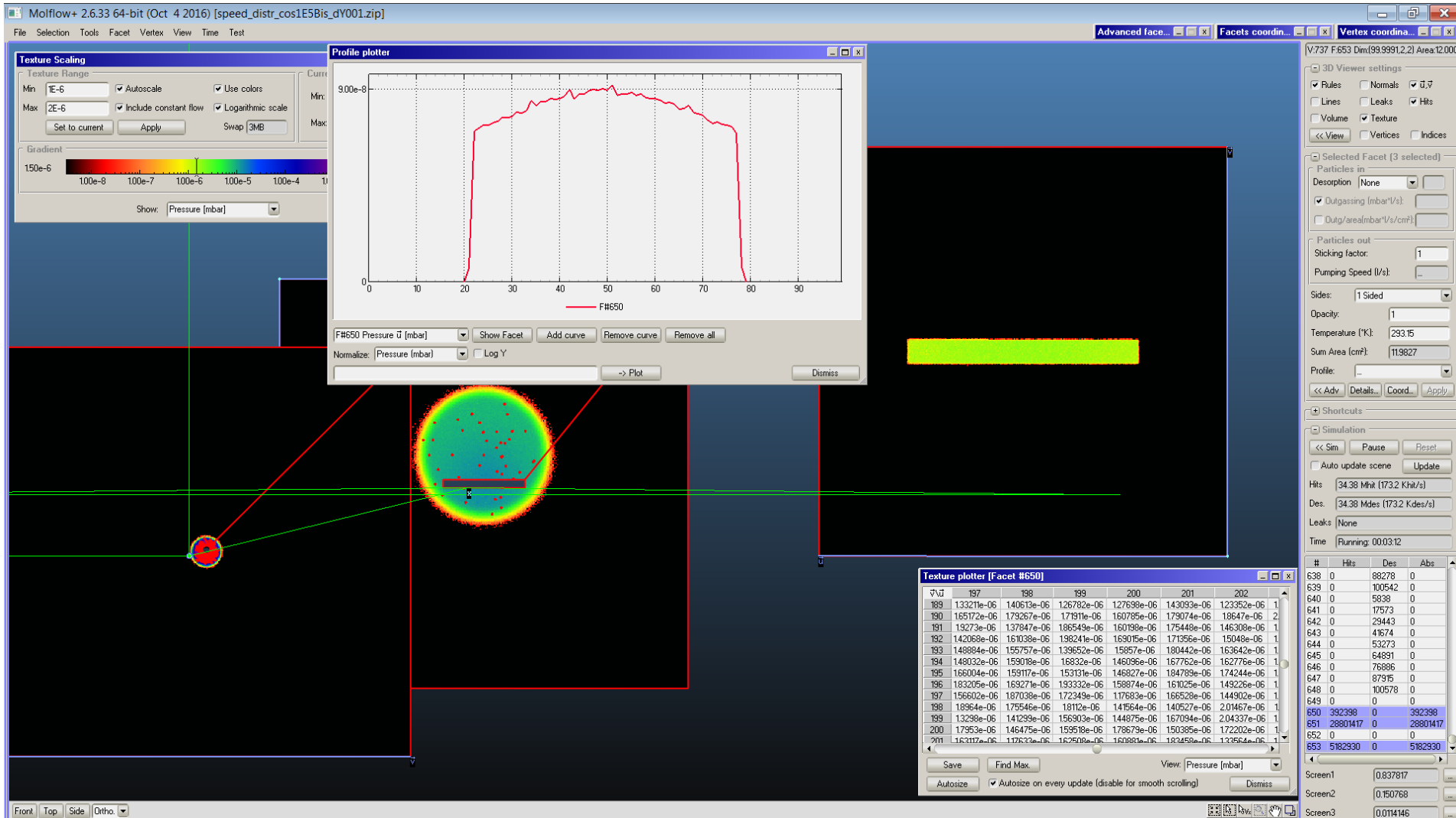
Beam-Gas Curtain:
Pressure Profile at the Virtual Plane



- Facet # 3191: rectangle on virtual facet →

Alignment Tolerances:

Very simplified model (vertical screens with apertures only, sticking=1 everywhere):



In this case the computational speed is much higher, due to a very much reduced number of facets (737 vs 8219). The plot on the inset shows the horizontal distribution on the virtual facet

Conclusions:

- A first preliminary run of TPMC ray-tracing simulations have been run, on geometries which do not fully represent the real hardware presently under study (as per today's presentation by G. Schneider);
- It has been shown that provided that a viscous-flow input file is given, the molecular flow regime calculations are rather straightforward, and allow the optimization of the design;
- In particular, the TPMC simulations can be used to check the sensitivity of the gas curtain shape and density on the relative alignment of the various skimmers and nozzles; See in particular the “screen only” models;
- **Future work** will implement the real/new geometry and re-run the simulations, possibly validating them with dedicated lab measurements?

