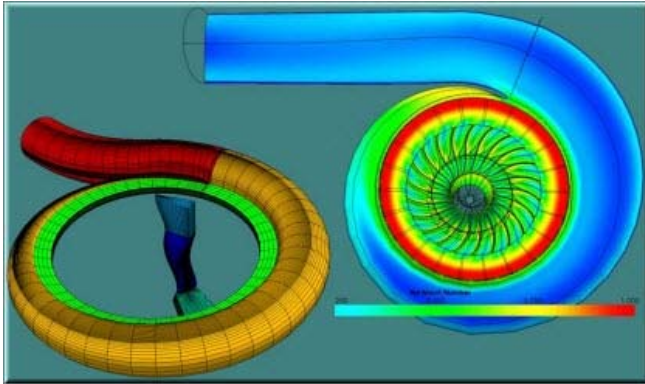


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Concepts NREC Announces Agile™ Engineering Design System® 2009 Turbomachinery Software

**....The 13th Release of Agile, More Than 40 New Features and Feature Upgrades,
Including a Pushbutton Computational Fluid Dynamics Volute Solution.**



Concepts NREC's Pushbutton Computational Fluid Dynamics volute solution provides previously missing piece for turbomachinery engineering puzzle.

White River Junction, Vt. – September 17, 2009 – Concepts NREC, a world leader in turbomachinery design, research, engineering and manufacturing, today announced that its Agile™ Engineering Design System® 2009 (Agile 2009) software is now shipping. Upgraded with over 40 new computer-aided engineering (CAE) features and enhancements, Agile 2009 provides turbomachinery engineers with new design and analysis capabilities. These upgrades were developed in response to Concepts NREC's Agile

software user group input for the benefit of existing and new users. With this release, Concepts NREC underscores its fully integrated engineering, design and machining capabilities, allowing for more effective and efficient turbomachinery.

“Upgrades to our software are a major part of our commitment to our users,” says Mark Anderson, vice president of software for Concepts NREC. “We perform research plus listen to our customers and others in turbomachinery to provide exclusive products for our customers. Our Agile 2009 upgrades reflect what the industry needs.”

Anderson added that there are cyclical patterns in turbomachinery as in every industry and that the megatrend in engineering software is to take advantage of ever-growing computing power and core technologies such as visualization and solution algorithms. Striving for greater efficiency is part of this trend. All the new features in Concepts NREC's Agile 2009 software help engineers improve their designs, making them more efficient through reduced fuel consumption and carbon dioxide output.

“The benefit of increasing efficiencies in turbomachinery designs is quite large since nearly every watt of electricity comes from some form of turbomachinery. A huge amount of that power is used, in turn, by turbomachinery. Even a one percent overall efficiency gain is huge,” Anderson says.

Some of the new features and upgrades in the Concepts NREC Agile 2009 are pushbutton computational fluid dynamics (Pushbutton CFD™) volute support, integrated

finite element analysis (FEA), global grid smoothing, mixed grid topologies and mass-flow boundary conditions.

Agile 2009 Pushbutton CFD volute solution was developed with Concepts NREC's research budget. Because, industry wide, laying out volutes has been notoriously expensive, Concepts NREC applied research funds to develop the Pushbutton CFD volute solution, a previously missing piece in the turbomachinery engineering puzzle.

The integrated FEA stress analysis capabilities found in Agile 2009 consolidate turbomachinery engineering, design and analysis tools. Designers now weigh all the variables earlier in the process, saving time and money by eliminating the need for back-and-forth between aerodynamics and stress analysis teams, which in turn reduces errors and leads to better trade-off studies.

Enhancements made to grid generation in Agile 2009 include global grid smoothing and mixed grid topologies that allow for better grid quality for fully integrated turbomachinery engineering, design and analysis. Combining these technologies into one design system gives engineers enormous advantages by helping to achieve better end results in less time.

Mass-flow boundary conditions, now available in Agile 2009, allow for solutions to be set to converge to specific mass flows. Additionally, mass flow boundary conditions can increase solutions ranges. This enables engineers to develop more complex, yet more efficient turbomachinery designs.

Availability

Concepts NREC's new Agile™ Engineering Design System Software® 2009 is available via the company's worldwide sales offices and authorized distributors. For a list of sales contacts and distributors, go to <http://www.conceptsnrec.com>.

Free Webinar Series

Concepts NREC's Agile Engineering Design System® software covers all aspects of turbomachinery design and analysis. Its integrated CAE tools help in development of rotating machinery like turbines, compressors, fans and pumps from preliminary design, detailed design, computational fluid dynamics (CFD) and finite element analysis (FEA) to optimization.

Concepts NREC is offering free webinars for anyone interested in learning how to more easily and quickly leverage the Agile 2009 software tools to design more efficient turbomachinery. The 1.5 hour webinars are scheduled for:

- Thursday, October 8, 2009, 10:00 a.m. Eastern
- Thursday, November 5, 2009, 10:00 a.m. Eastern
- Tuesday, December 8, 2009, 10:00 a.m. Eastern

To register, email Concepts NREC at software@conceptsnrec.com.

About Concepts NREC's Agile™ Engineering Design System

The Agile™ Engineering Design System® is the only commercially available turbomachinery design system that encompasses the complete engineering process: engineering, design and machining. Integrated elements of the system include preliminary detail design and sophisticated analysis tools, including rapid computational fluid dynamics (CFD), finite element analysis (FEA) and rotor dynamics. The system also offers specialized five-axis machining software, automated optimization and a smooth transfer of data to computer-aided design (CAD) packages. These sophisticated software tools empower turbomachinery designers and product development teams to apply cost-effective concurrent development approaches while balancing performance, reliability, operating life and low-cost manufacturability issues.

Significant improvements in computer-aided design (CAD) compatibility are included in the Agile 2009 release. Users can now output files in IGES, STEP and STL formats. Agile 2009 requires a Pentium® 3, 500 MHz or equivalent processor running on a Windows® 2000, XP or NT operating system, 2 GB of free space, 256 MB of memory and a 32-MB graphics card.

About Concepts NREC

Concepts NREC is a leading worldwide organization providing turbomachinery design, engineering services, manufacturing and CAE/CAM software, with a staff of over 100 professionals at its facilities in Wilder, Vt., and Woburn, Mass. For more than a half century, Concepts NREC has provided manufacturers, users, government agencies and the engineering community with technology tools, services and products that have met their needs, helped achieve their goals and aided in development and production of some of the world's most advanced products. Concepts NREC is headquartered at 217 Billings Farm Road, White River Junction, Vt., 05001-9486. Telephone: 802-296-2321. Facsimile: 802-296-2325. For more information, go to: www.conceptsnrec.com.

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