

# Reliable and Robust Design of Cooling Systems in an Early Stage of the Development Process

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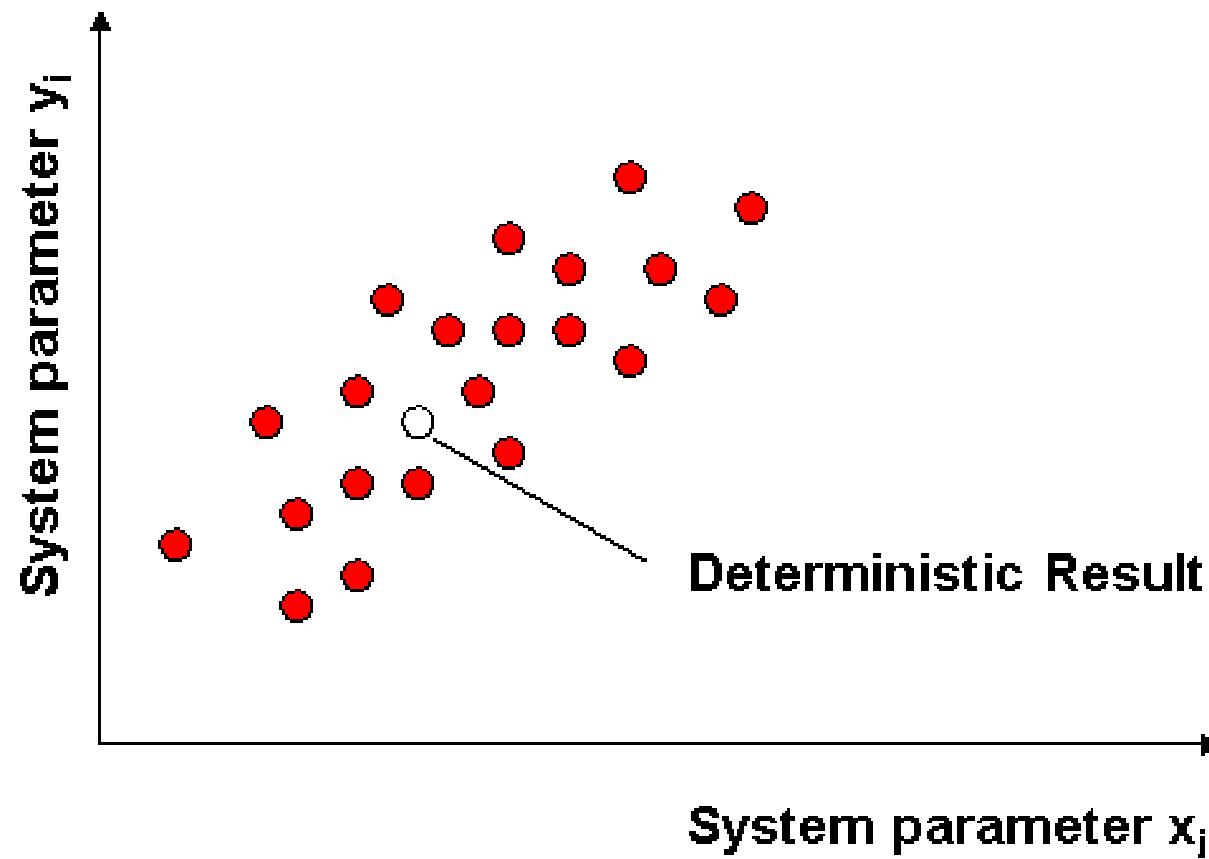
## AGENDA

- Motivation – Robust Cooling
- Method - Strategy
- Simulation Model
- Test Bench Measurement
- Deterministic Results
- Stochastic Model
- MRC Model Application
- Conclusion and Outlook

## MOTIVATION

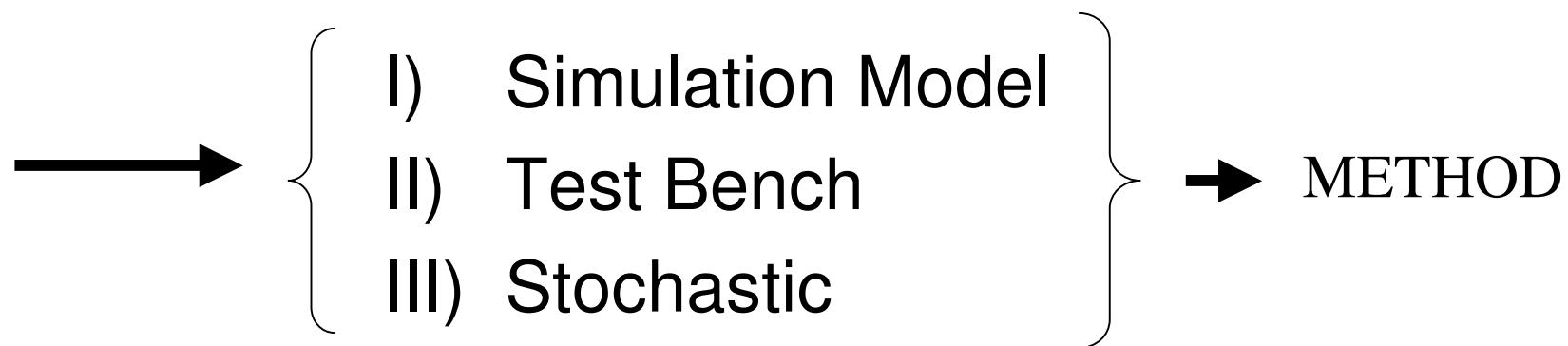
- Provide robust and reliable simulation results
- Simulations have to deal with physical uncertainty and numerical errors
- These uncertainty influences the results
- Impact of uncertainty must be evaluated
- Getting a better understanding of the sensitiveness of the model
- More information in the early development

# MOTIVATION



## METHOD - STRATEGY

- CASE: Deterministic Result – Measurements
- CASE: Stochastic CFD Case, Resistance Matrix



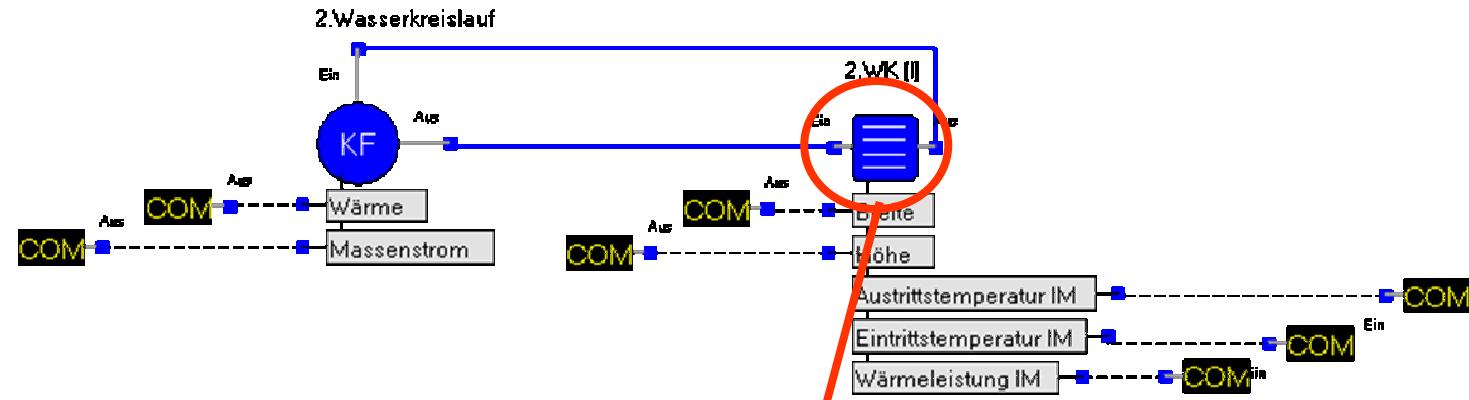
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- Cooling Package

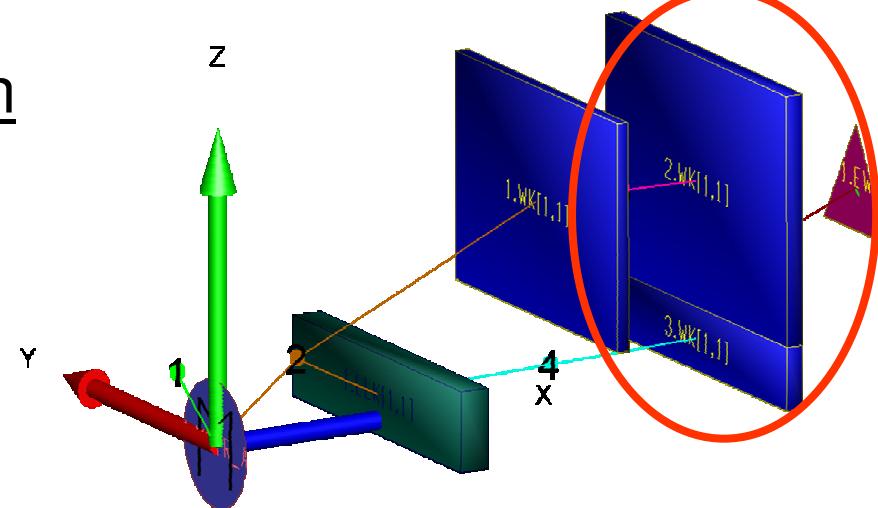


# SIMULATION MODELL

- Inner Circuit

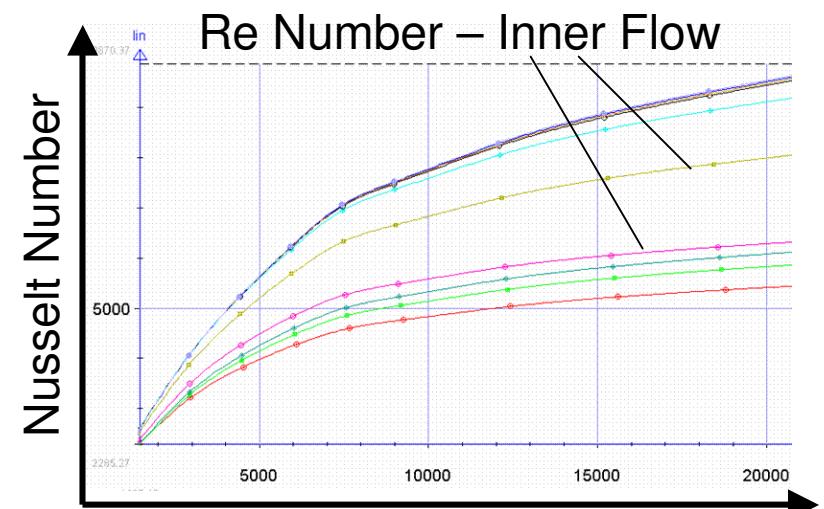
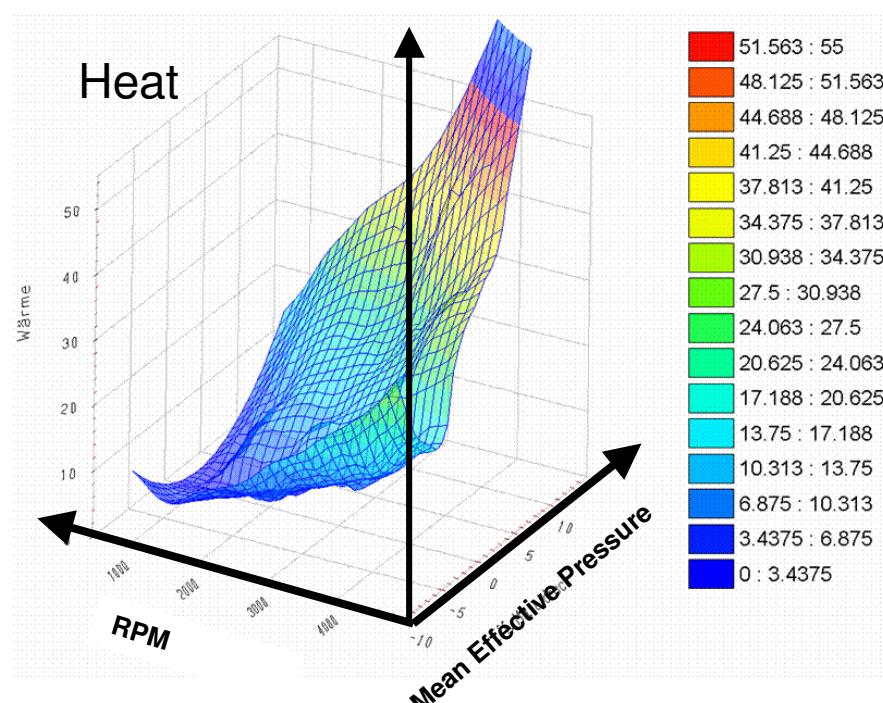
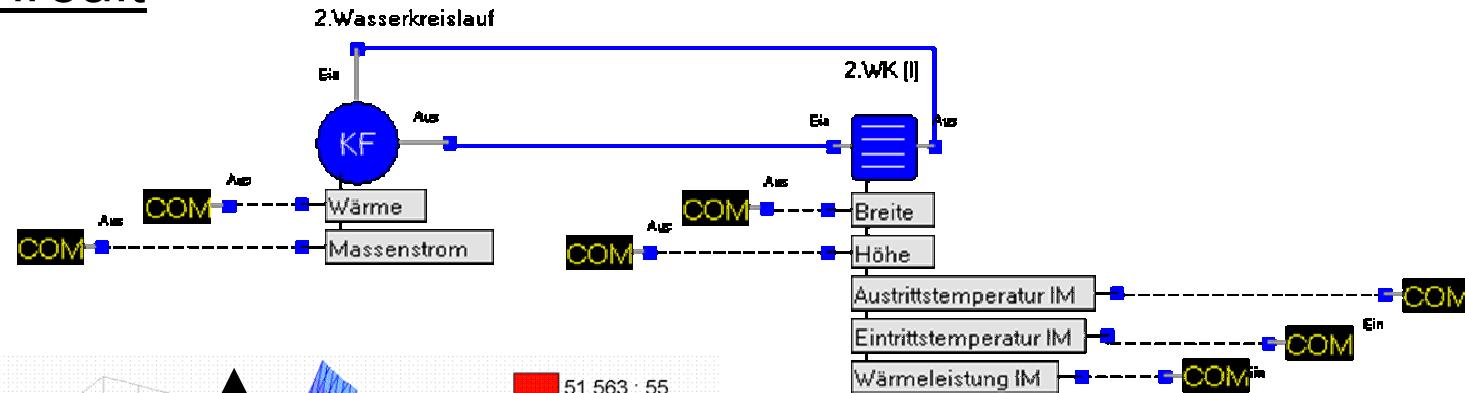


- Air Path



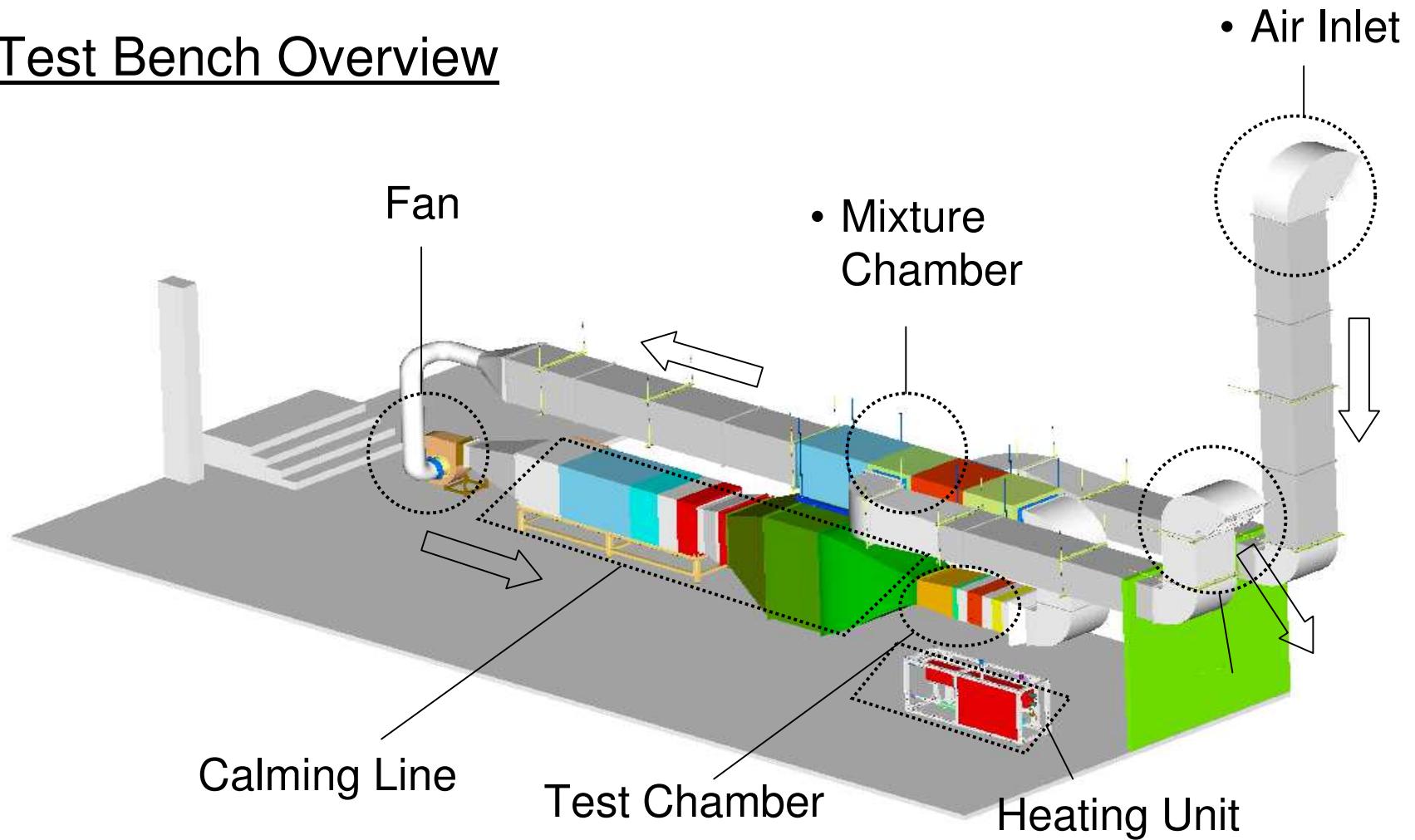
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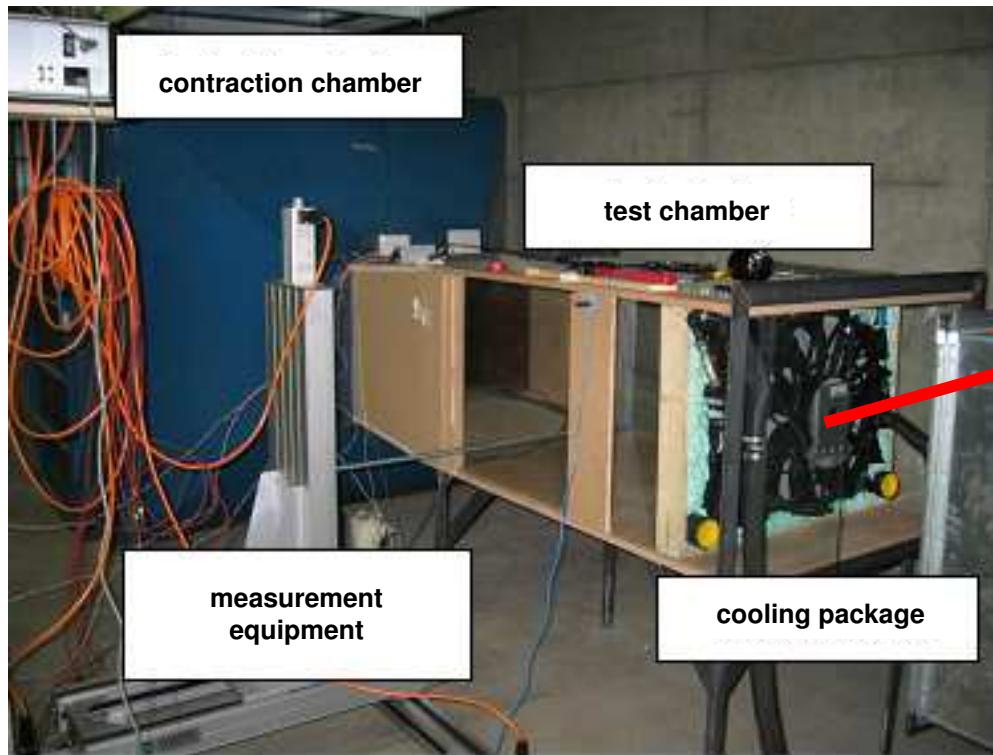
# TEST BENCH MEASUREMENTS

- Test Bench Overview



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- Test Chamber

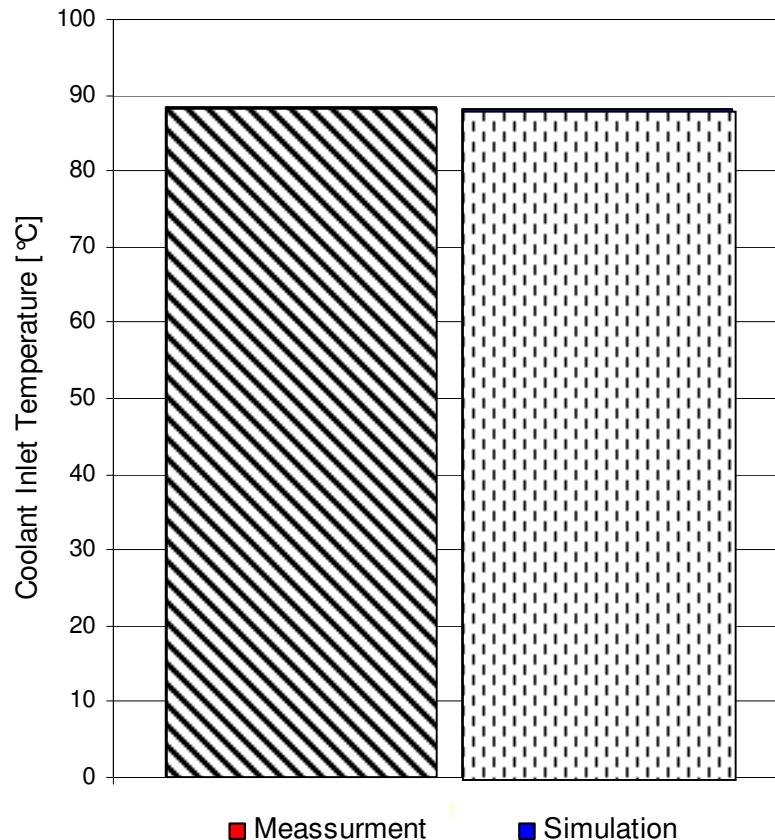


- Front Grill

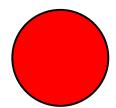
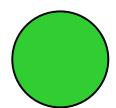
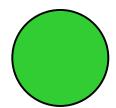


# COMPARISON

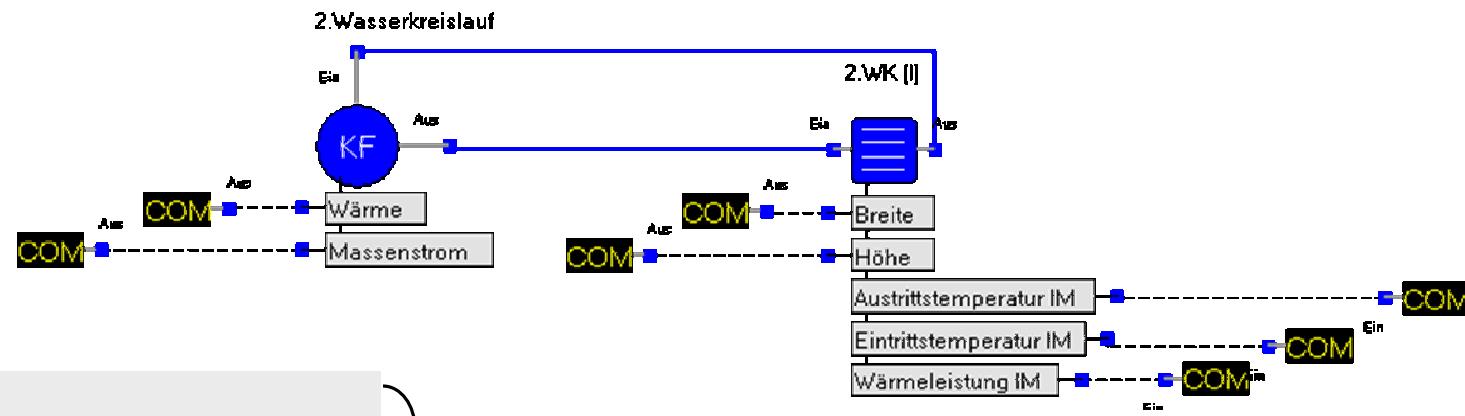
- Deterministic Result - Measurements



- Validation of the Physical Model
- Good Correlation
- No Information About Behavior



# SIMULATION METHOD



- Heat Release
- Mass Flow Coolant
- Mass Flow Air
- Geometry
- Ambient Conditions

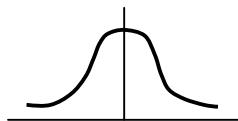
**SOLVER  
KULI**

Coolant Entry  
Temperature



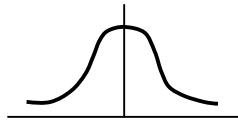
# STOCHASTIC METHOD

➤ Heat Release



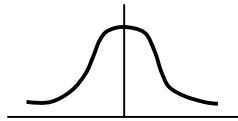
- Deviation 3 %

➤ Mass Flow Coolant



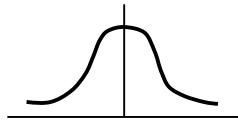
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➤ Mass Flow Air



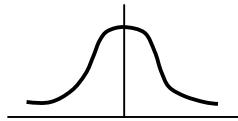
- Deviation 3 %

➤ Geometry



- +/- 10 mm

➤ Ambient Conditions

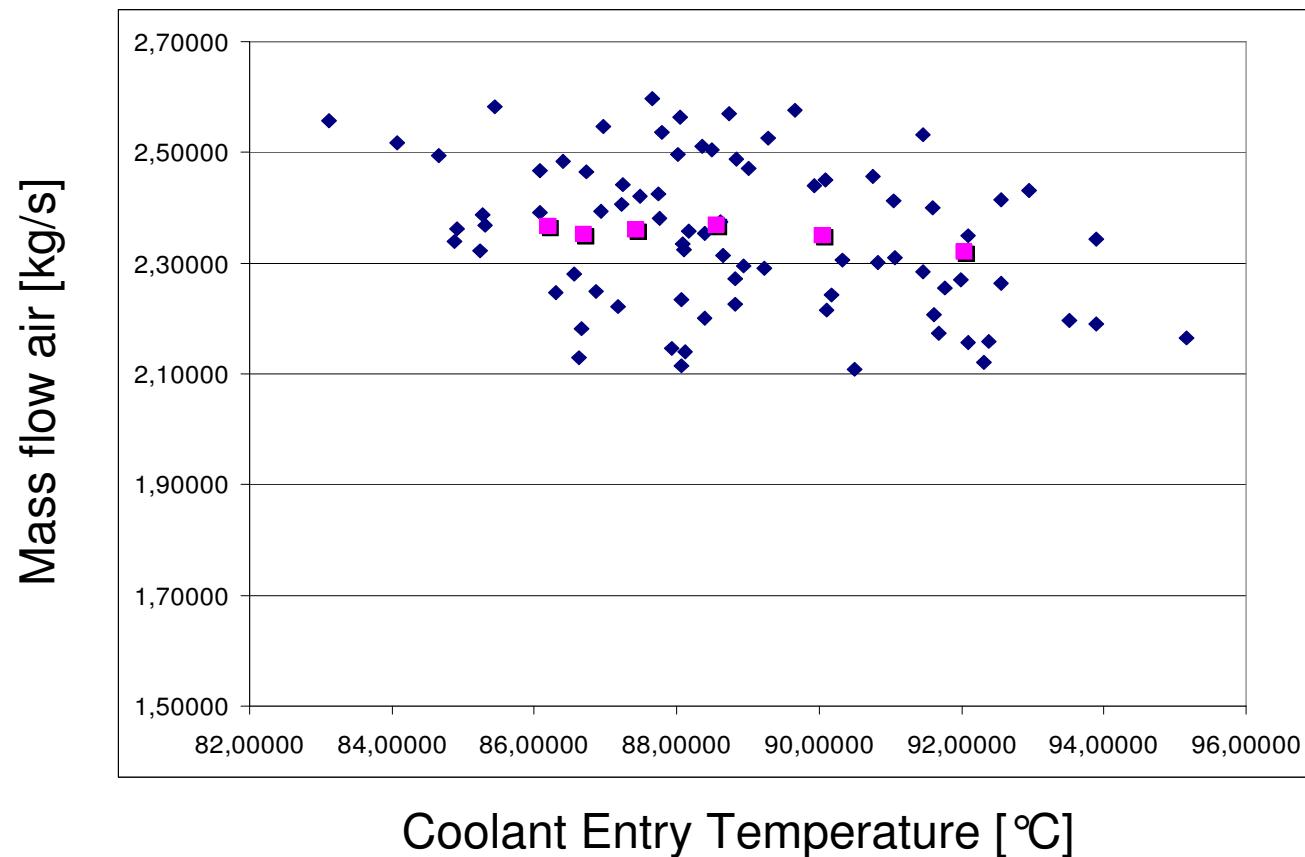


- +/- 2 K

- Coolant Entry Temperature  
(statistical distribution)

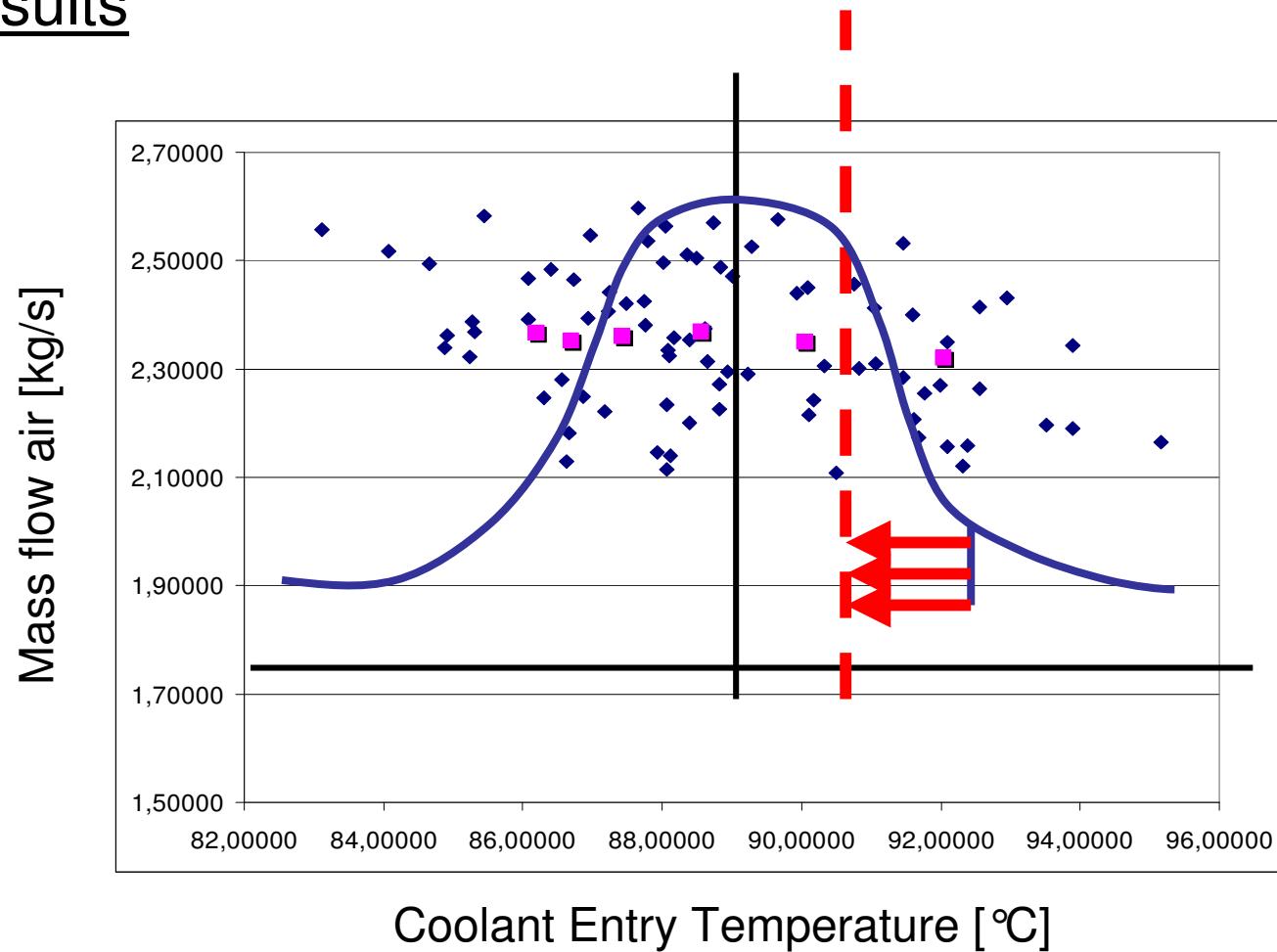
# RESULTS

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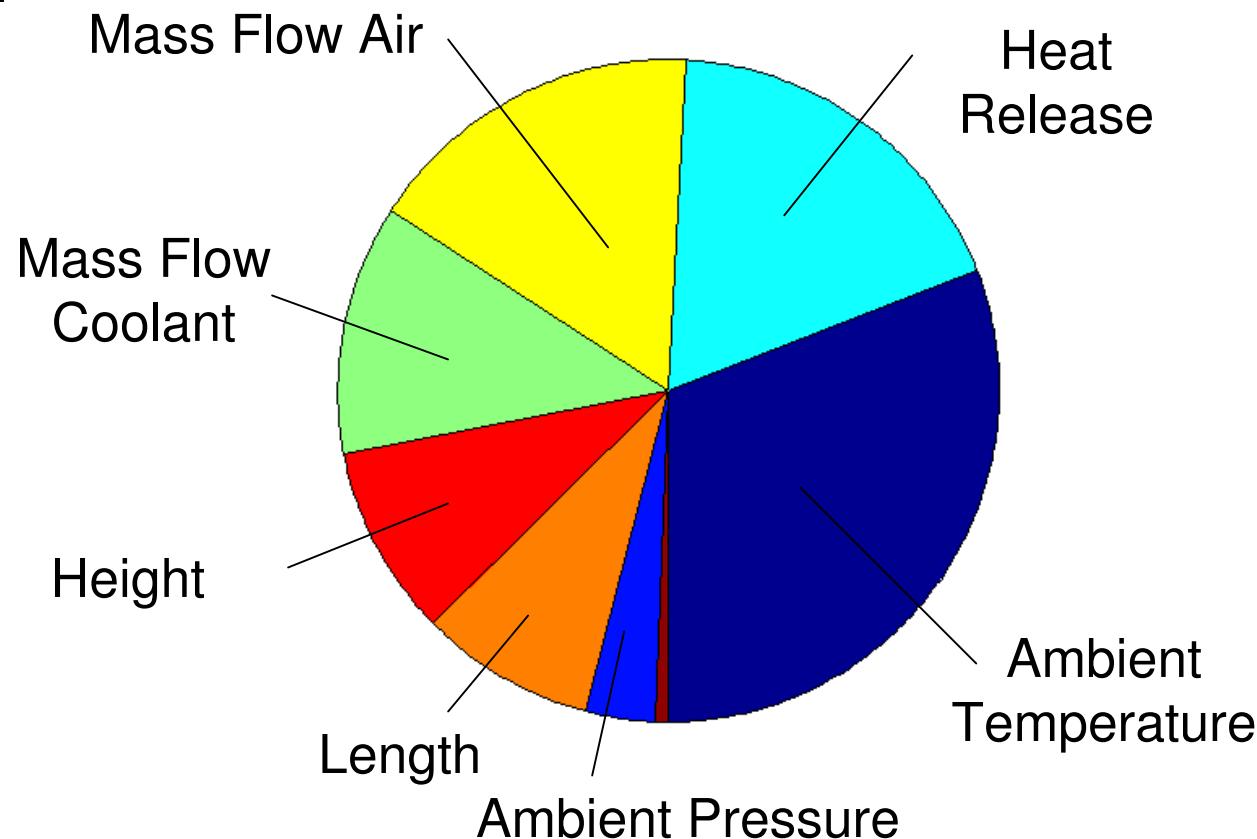
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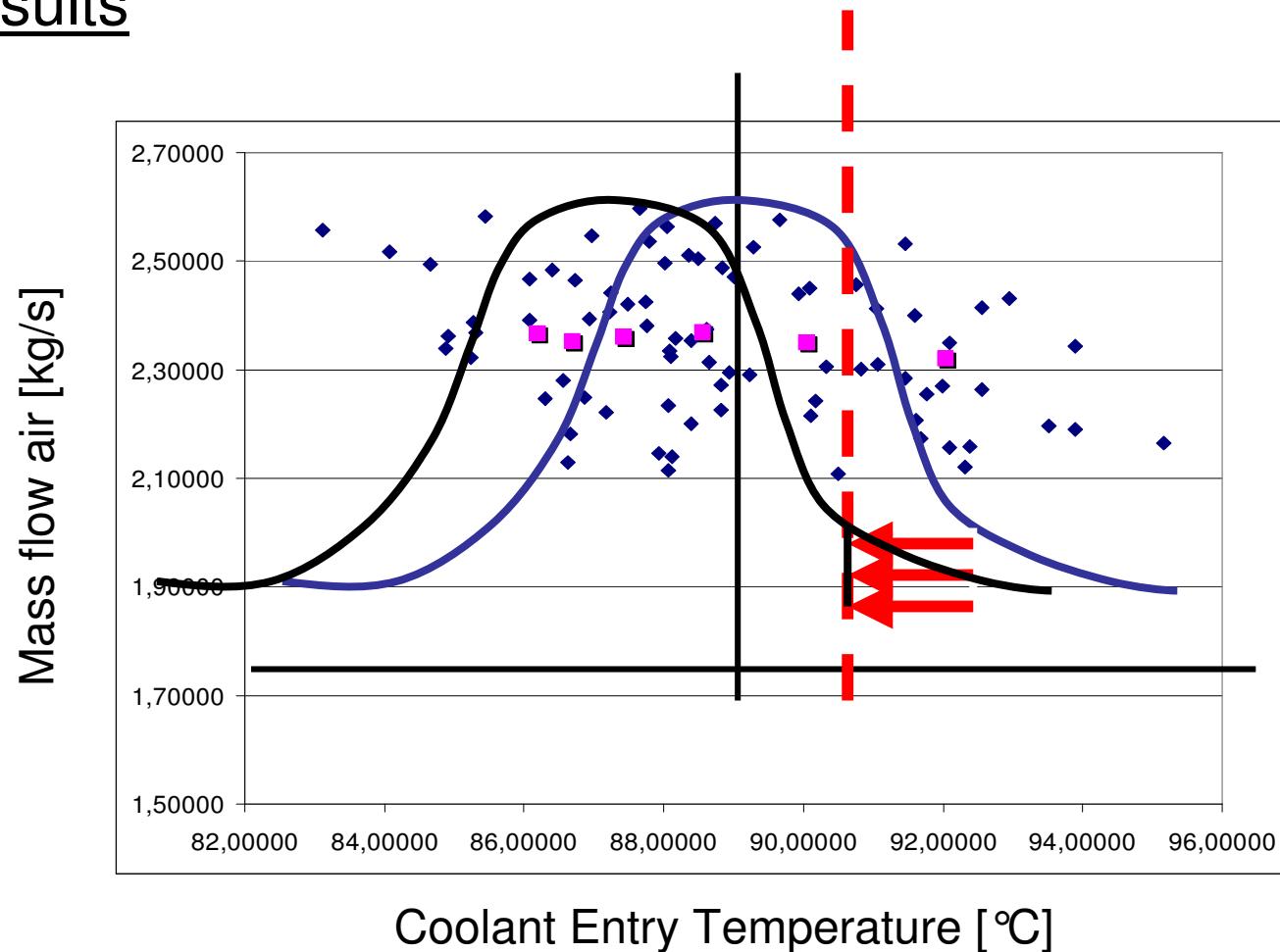
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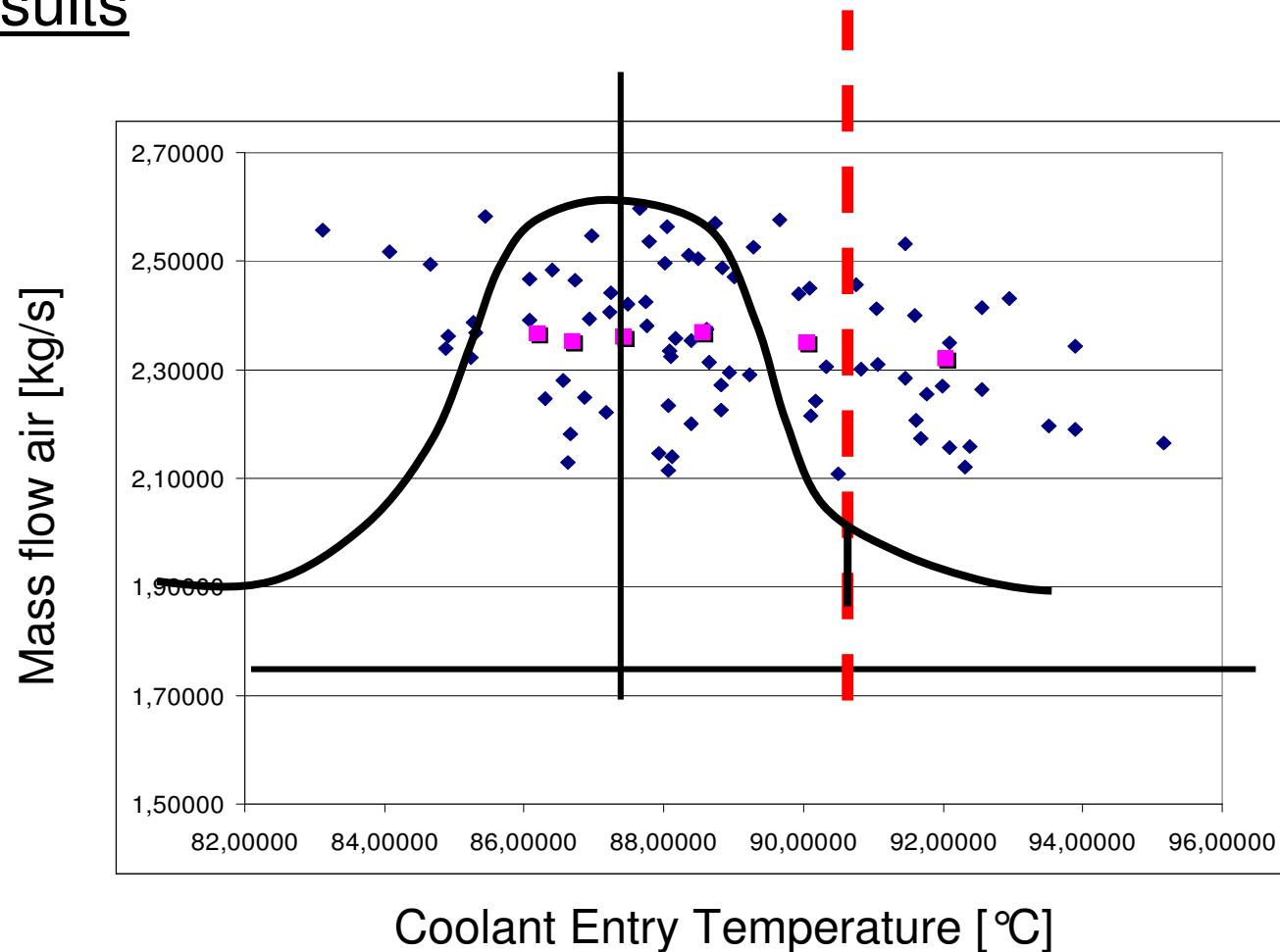
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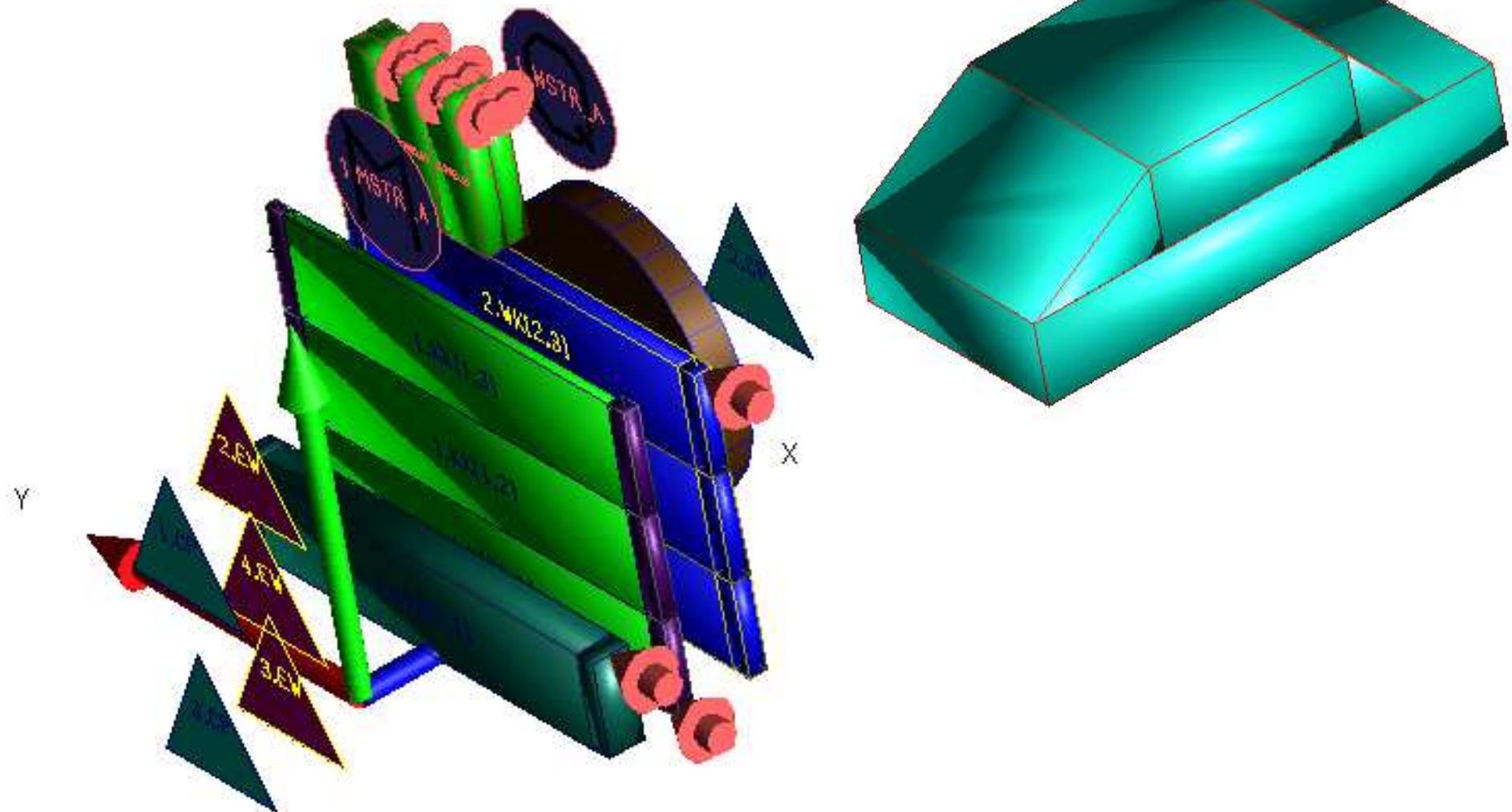
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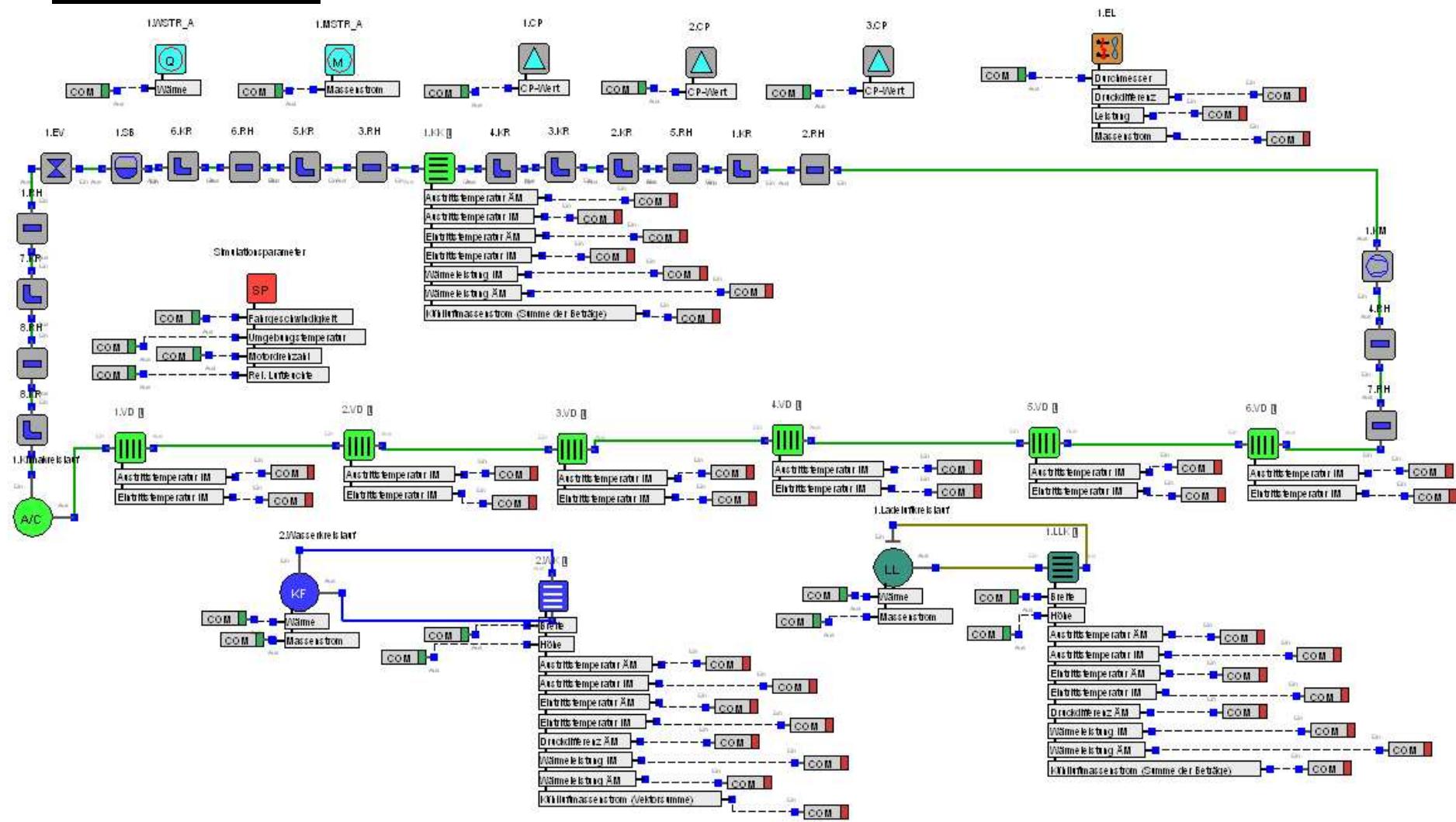
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- Air Side



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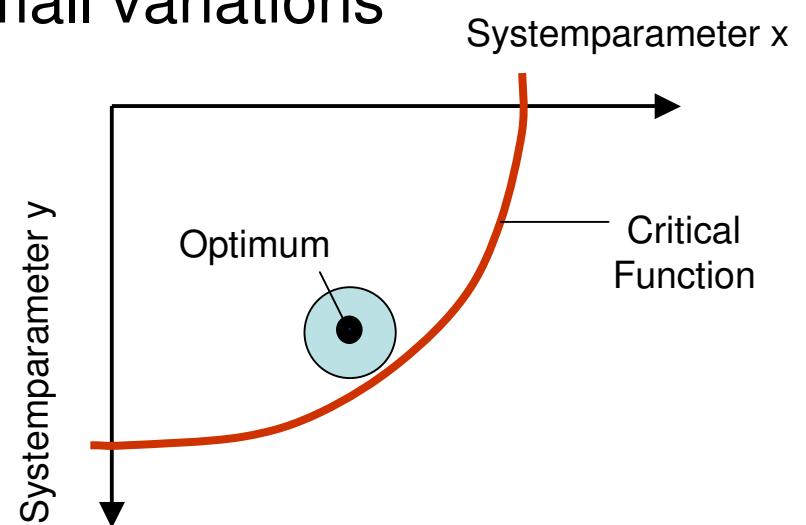
- Inner Circuit



## MRC MODELL

- Development Task

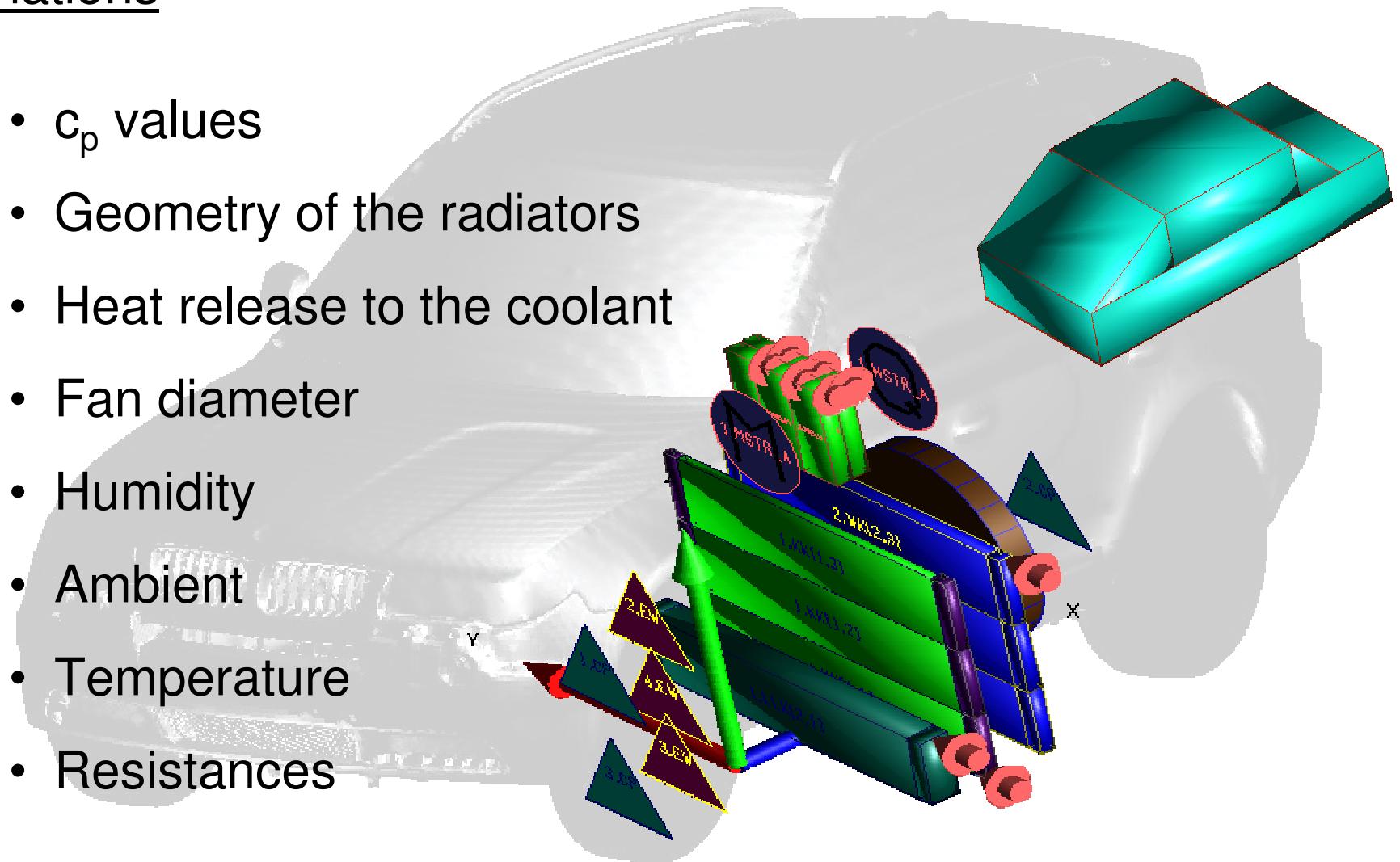
- Performance checks of the cooling and HVAC system in the early development phase
- Robust and Reliable Design for all critical driving conditions (e.g. hill with trailer, fast hill,  $v_{max}$ )
- Behaviour of the system on small variations



# MRC MODELL

- Variations

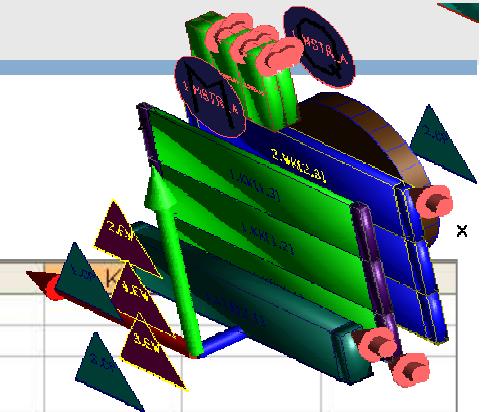
- $c_p$  values
- Geometry of the radiators
- Heat release to the coolant
- Fan diameter
- Humidity
- Ambient
- Temperature
- Resistances



# MRC MODELL

- Excel Sheet

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1									
2									
<b>KULI EXAMPLE</b>									
5				Path:	C:\Programme\ECS\KULI_60003\Data\CoolingSystems			File:	MRC_Neu_450W_AC.scs
6									
7	<u>Normalverteilt</u>	mean	std. deviation		Zufallszahl				WERTE FÜR SHOT
8	cp_wert1	0,850	0,050		0,071054352				0,777
9	cp_wert2	-0,200	0,050		0,685294685				-0,176
10	cp_wert3	0,850	0,050		0,396433809				0,837
11	geschw	30,000	1,000		0,752036189				30,681
12	ambient	30,000	1,000		0,422708049				29,805
13	rpm	2.886,000	100,000		0,019676557				2679,952
14	luftfeuchte	40,000	2,000		0,129540557				37,743
15	el_durch	366,000	2,000		0,296060626				364,928
16	heat_water	33,000	0,500		0,771665755				33,372
17	wk_breite	650,000	0,500		0,864308123				650,55
18	wk_hoehe	408,000	0,500		0,792027033				408,407
19	mass_llk	0,074	0,005		0,081982053				0,08
20	llk_breite	650,000	0,500		0,830718195				650,479
21	llk_hoehe	128,000	0,500		0,314798467				127,759
22	ew1_widerstand	260,00	20,000		0,2055293				243,559
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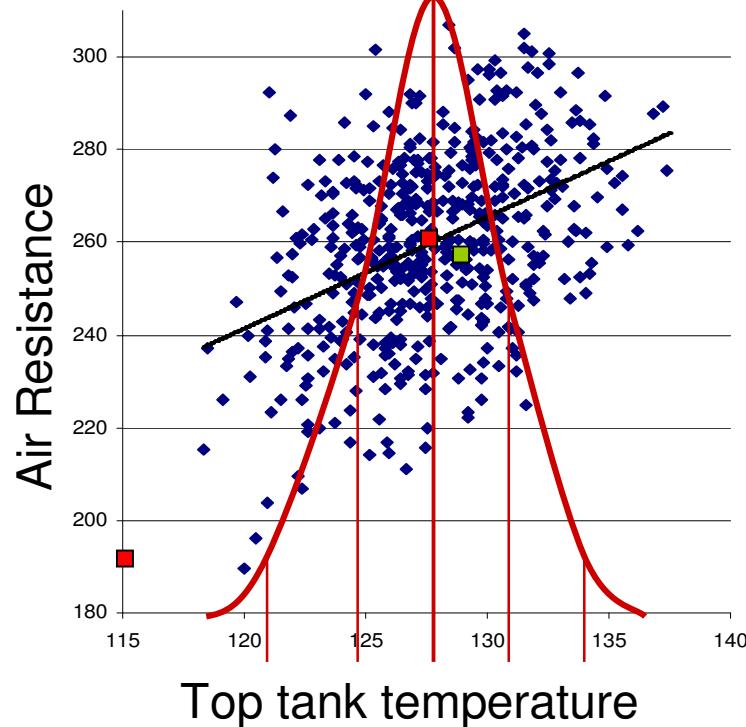


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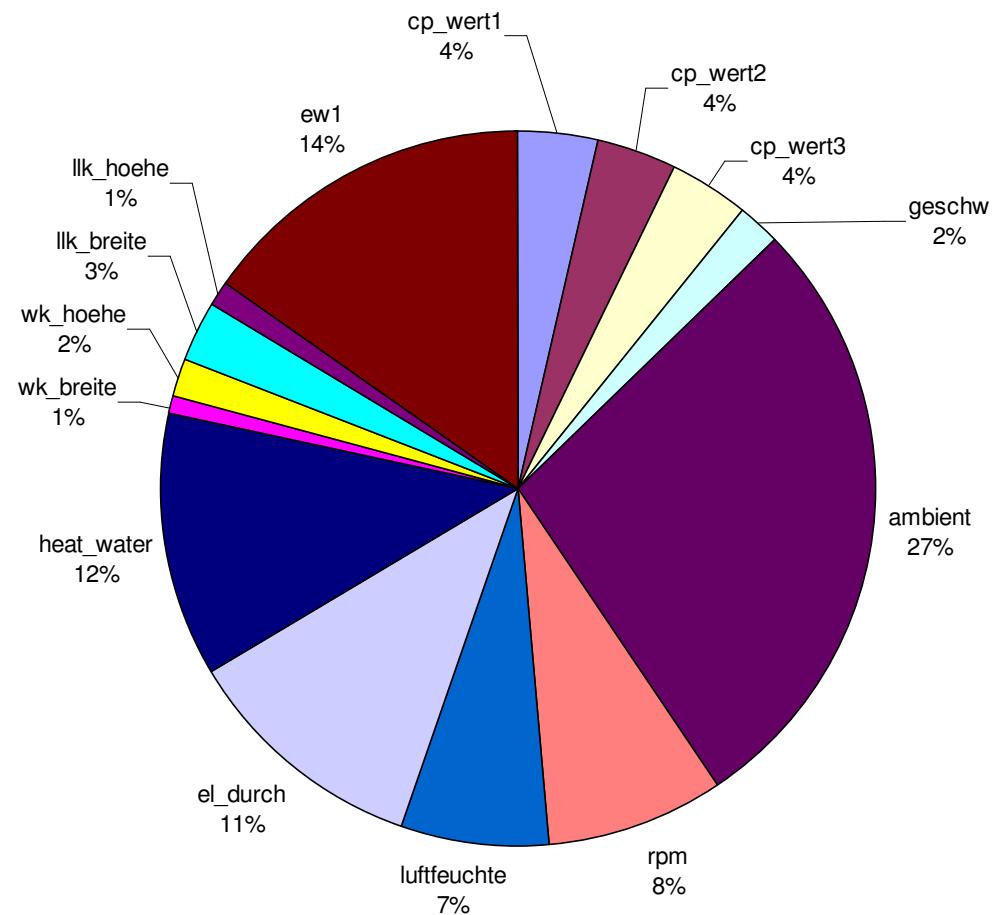
- Results

Statistical Distribution of the Top Tank Temperature

**Mean:127,7 St. Deviation: 3,5**



Influence on the Top Tank Temperature



## CONCLUSION

What we achieved ...

- ... Robust and reliable simulation results
- ... Simulation method for the early phase of the development process
- ... A better understanding of the sensitivity of the system concerning variations
- ... Basis for decisions and first risk estimations concerning robustness of the cooling system

## OUTLOOK

What is on the roadmap ...

- ... Hybrid Multidimensional Optimization
- ... Grid Solution for KULI on a  
64 bit Opteron Cluster
- ... Multidisciplinary Optimization by Coupling