

Impact of Chemistry–Turbulence Interaction Modeling Approach on the CFD Simulations of Entrained Flow Coal Gasification

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Section 2.1 Devolatilization

Model	Short description
Global models	
Single-step first-order (SFOR) [1–3]	<p>Volatiles V that evolve during the devolatilization process are related to the difference between the current V and the ultimate yield of V_{∞}.</p> $\frac{dV}{dt} = A \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{RT}\right) \cdot (V_{\infty} - V)$ <p>Mechanism is based on two competing reactions producing char and volatiles from coal. One of the reactions predominates at lower heating rates, whereas the other at higher rates.</p>
Competing two-step (C2SM) [4]	$\text{coal} \xrightarrow{k_1} (1 - \alpha_1)\text{char} + \alpha_1\text{volatiles}$ $\text{coal} \xrightarrow{k_2} (1 - \alpha_2)\text{char} + \alpha_2\text{volatiles}$ $\frac{dV}{dt} = \left(\alpha_1 A_1 \exp\left(-\frac{E_1}{RT_1}\right) + \alpha_2 A_2 \exp\left(-\frac{E_2}{RT_2}\right)\right) \cdot C$
Phenomenological network models	
FG-DVC [5]	Coal is represented by functional groups. The decomposition occurs through first order reactions to the products of tar, char and gas.
CPD [6–8]	The chemical percolation devolatilization model is based on the characteristics of a coal obtained through a 13-C NMR spectroscopy

Parameters for CPD Model: - BYU Reactor

- Side molecular chain weight – 45
- Cluster molecular weight – 557
- Initial fraction of bridges in coal lattice – 0.33
- Lattice coordination number – 4.9
- Initial fraction of char bridges - 0
- Volatiles – $0.272C_xH_yO_z + 0.2645C_mH_n + 0.2287H_2O + 0.2076CO + 0.0762CO_2$

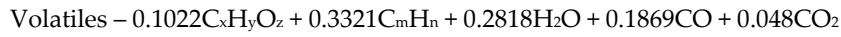
Parameters for SFOR Model – MHI Reactor

$$A = 113700, E = 6.094 \times 10^7$$

$$\text{Volatiles} - 0.1766C_xH_yO_z + 0.4729C_mH_n + 0.1999H_2O + 0.125CO + 0.0256CO_2$$

Parameters for C2SM Model – E-gas Reactor

$$\alpha_1 = 0.35, \alpha_2 = 1, A_1 = 79690, E_1 = 5 \times 10^7, A_2 = 9305000, E_2 = 1.168 \times 10^8$$



Section 4 Ideal Plug Flow Reactor Study

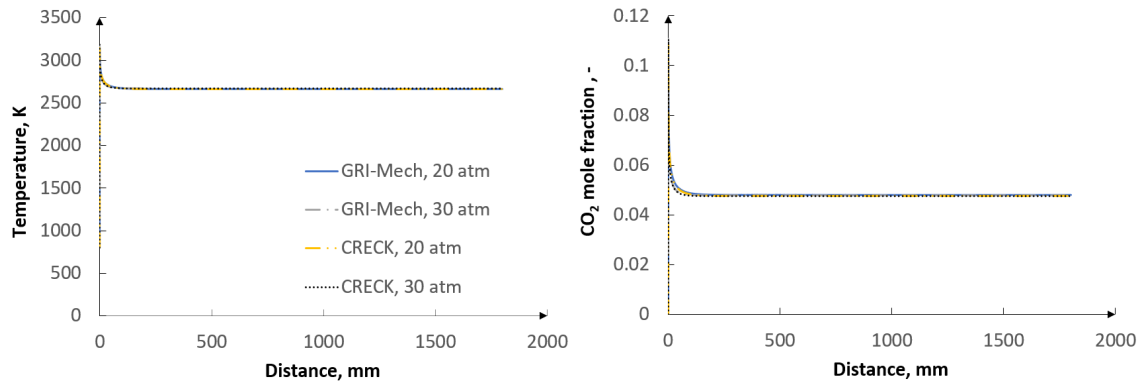


Figure S1. Distributions in PFR for GRI-Mech and CRECK: a) temperature distribution, b) CO₂ mole fraction

Section 6 Mesh Independence Study

Performed for the global approach and the eddy dissipation concept. The results of CO and H₂ mole fraction distribution with respect to the mesh size are presented.

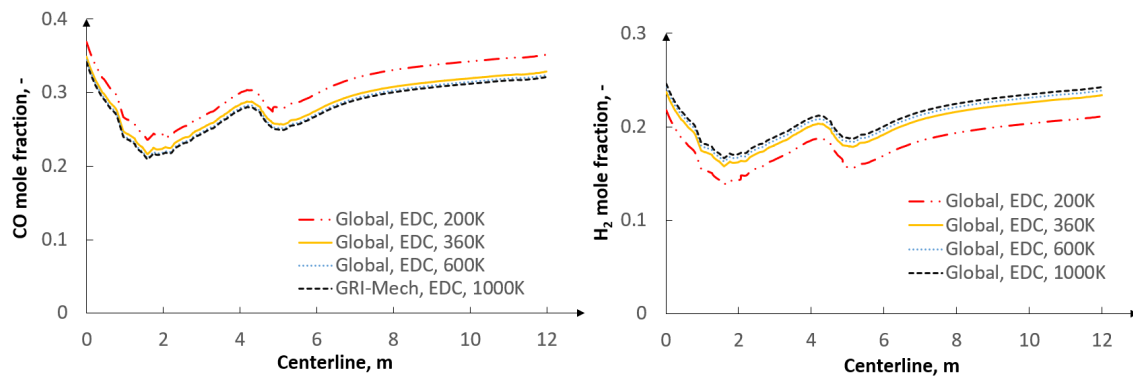


Figure S2. Mesh independence study for E-gas reactor – a) CO mole fraction and b) H₂ mole fraction distributions.

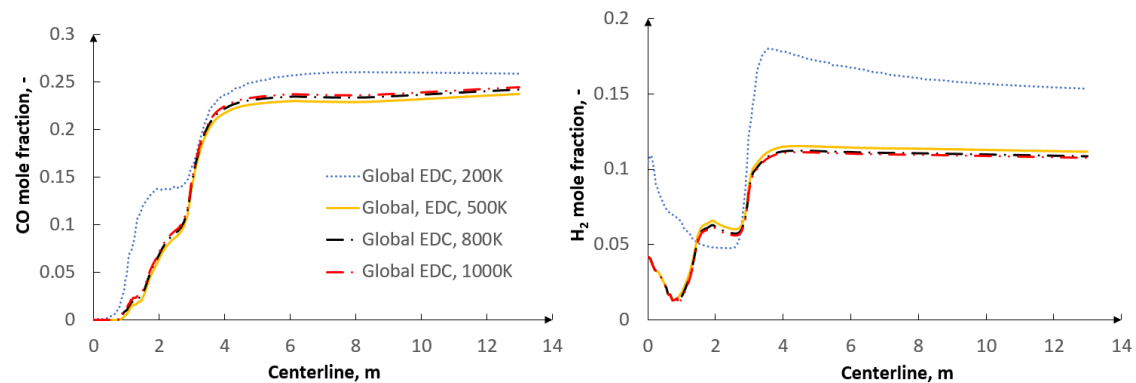


Figure S3. Mesh independence study for MHI reactor – a) CO mole fraction and H₂ mole fraction distribution.

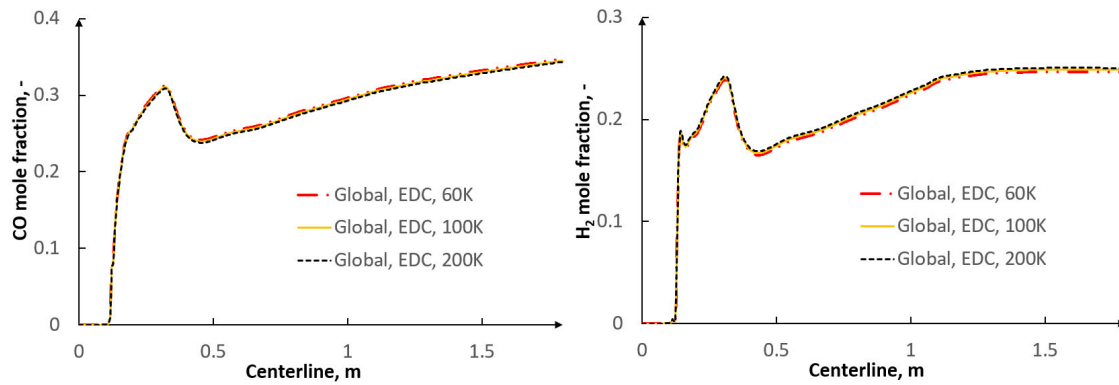


Figure S4. Mesh independence study for BYU reactor – a) CO mole fraction and H₂ mole fraction distribution.

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