

FMI-based simulation workflows based on open source and commercial tools

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FMI in use at all Bosch sectors



Mobility Solutions



Industrial Technology



Energy and Building Technology



Consumer Goods

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FMI is well established for Model Exchange and Co-Simulation

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New use cases

- ▶ *From manual export of FMUs to automated workflows*
- ▶ *From local usage of FMI to large-scale usage*
- ▶ *From local simulation on a PC to cloud, web, and HPC (high-performance clusters)*

The combination of commercial model authoring tools and open source tools enables new use cases, such as

- ▶ Engineering tools: Dimensioning in specialist departments (not by simulation expert)
- ▶ Automatic Virtual ECU generation as FMU from Bosch ECU software toolchains
- ▶ Software-in-the-loop tests
- ▶ Cloud-based simulation (at Bosch sectors + subsidiaries BSH, ETAS, ITK, Rexroth)

Demo

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Need for „Portable FMUs“

- ▶ Limitations of some FMU exporting tools:
 - ▶ Some FMUs need extra installations to execute (libraries or full installation)
 - ▶ Some FMUs need runtime licenses
- ▶ To get the maximum benefit of FMI-based simulation, we need **„portable FMUs“**
 - that do not rely on a tool installation during runtime
 - with licensing models that allow for simulation without a runtime license
- ▶ We select suitable tools and are requesting portable FMUs from tool vendors
- ▶ **Source code FMUs** are helpful for model porting to new platforms, e.g. to the cloud

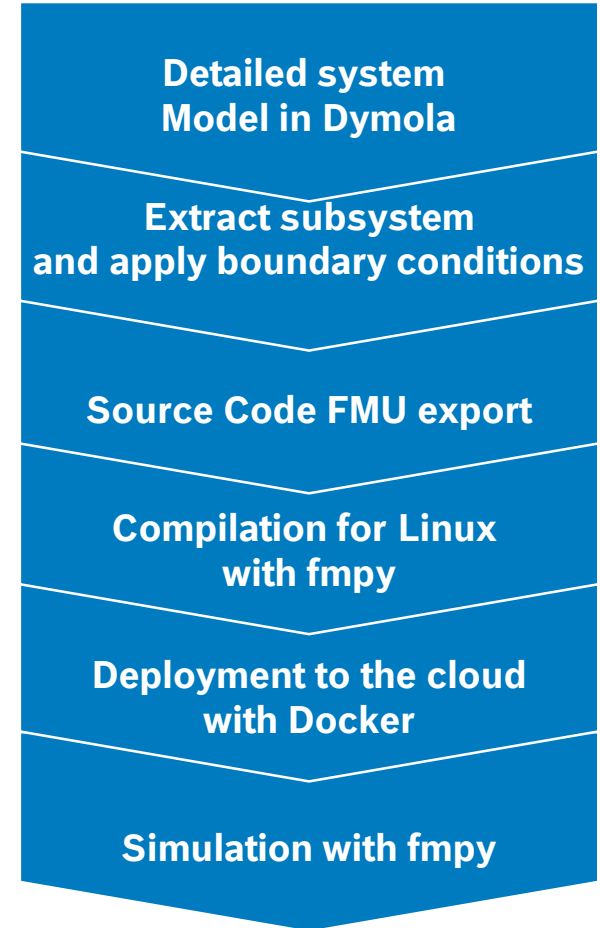


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Example 1: Engineering tools

Goal: Engineering tools can be used for dimensioning of components in specialist department

- ▶ Re-use of parts of detailed overall system models that were created by simulation experts
- ▶ **Benefits**
 - ▶ Full functionality of powerful simulation tools made available to specialist departments without local tool installation
 - ▶ Documentation can be easily added (as HTML)
 - ▶ Protected models (allows only for defined modifications)
 - ▶ No additional license costs



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Example 1: Demo

- ▶ Engineering tool for the design of evaporation trays of refrigerators

- ▶ Developed and used at B/S/H/

B/S/H/ web-based simulation in PRF

PRF development Web-based Tools Downloaded Tools Info Change password Logout Admin

Evaporation Tray

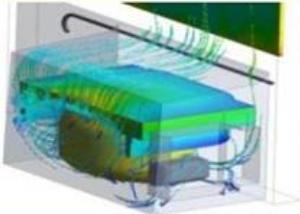
Stand-alone tool to compute the evaporation rate of a water tray mounted on the compressor.

Choose File No file chosen

Calculate

Download csv file

Result: 2.348 g/h



Version: 0.9
Last update: 2021-04-09

Help

Choose an input file and press the calculate button. You will receive the average evaporation rate as a single value and an plot of the most relevant quantities over time. Additionally you may download a comma-separated-value file (.csv) for further postprocessing of the output.

Input file

All relevant boundary conditions are specified via an input file. An exemplary input file and a detailed description of all entries within the input file can be found below:

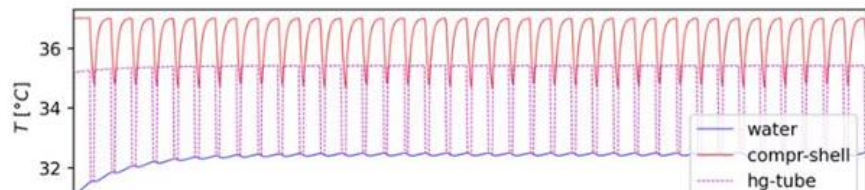
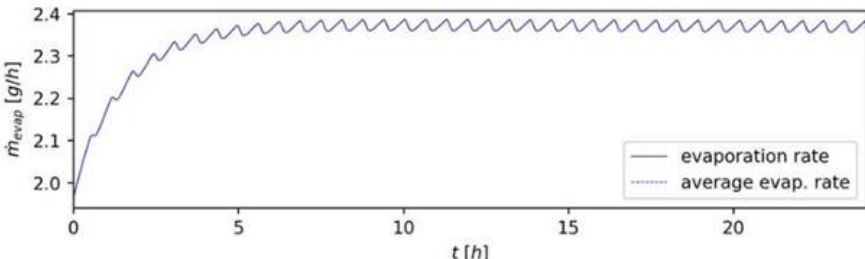
[Input file - example](#)
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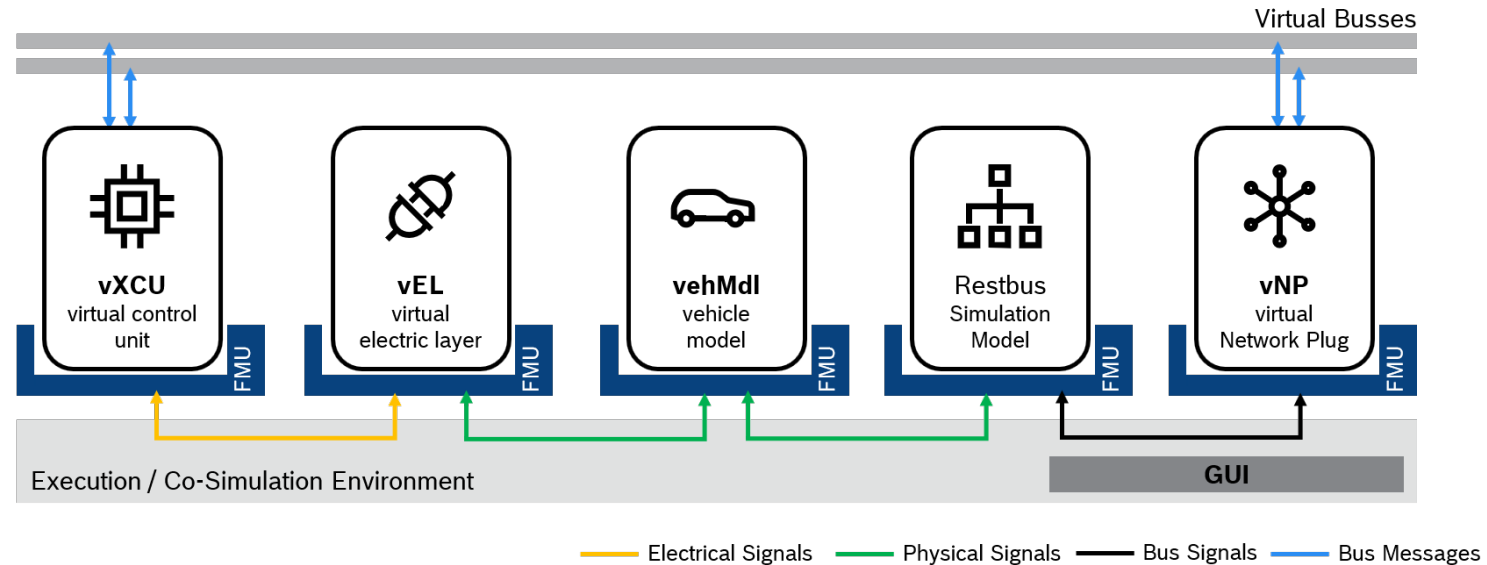
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Example 2: FMI-based SiL-Simulation

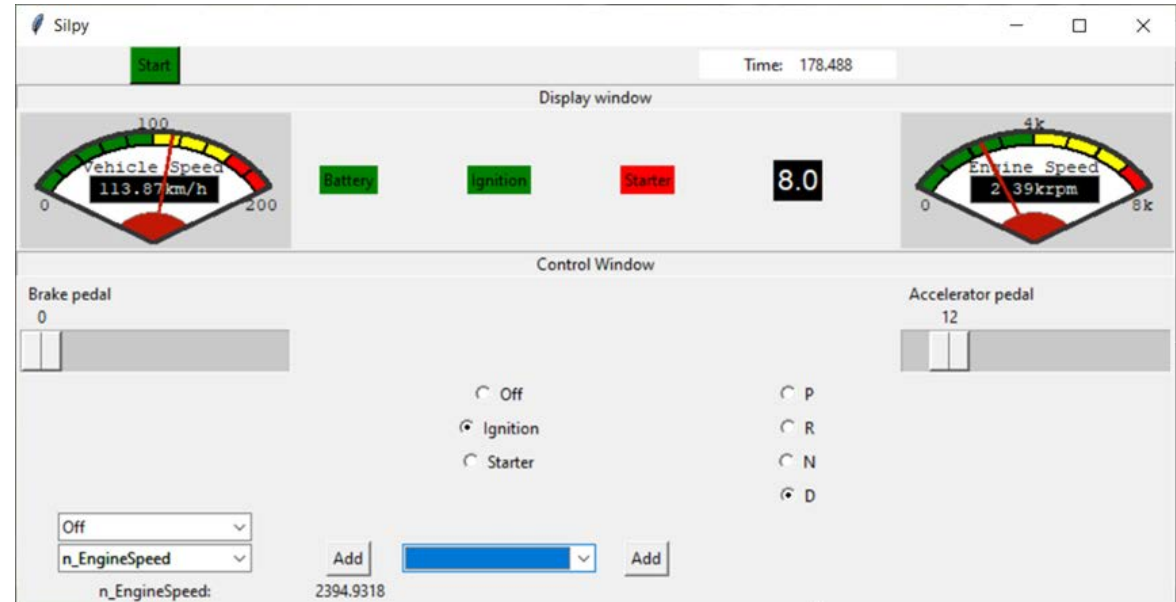
- ▶ Software-in-the-Loop (SiL) simulation with FMI 2.0 Co-Simulation:
 - ▶ Engine Control Unit (ECU) Software (system under test)
 - ▶ Model of electronic components in the ECU, Sensors and Actuators
 - ▶ Model of the engine and vehicle
 - ▶ Models of the other control units
 - ▶ Bus simulation
- ▶ vEL, vehMdl and Restbus
 - ▶ Simulink model
 - ▶ FMI Kit for FMU creation
- ▶ vECU and vNP
 - ▶ Created by Bosch tooling
- ▶ Virtual Busses
 - ▶ Currently not via FMI, plan to change this to FMI 3.0 and a layered standard



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Example 2: FMI-based SiL-Simulation

- ▶ Different execution tools:
 - ▶ ETAS COSYM
 - ▶ Synopsys Silver
 - ▶ Mathworks MATLAB/Simulink
 - ▶ Tracetronic ECU-Test (FMPy Container FMU)
 - ▶ Silpy (based on FMPy and Container FMU)
- ▶ Different execution environments:
 - ▶ Manual usage on local PC
 - ▶ Test automation on premises
 - ▶ Test automation in the cloud
- ▶ Platform independence (win32, win64, linux64) with FMPy remoting
- ▶ Continuous FMU generation, integration and testing
- ▶ Automated toolchain for many ECU projects with many OEMs



Silpy: Simple SiL co-simulation environment for manual usage, based on FMPy

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Conclusion & Outlook

Conclusion:

- ▶ **FMI enables highly automated simulation workflows**
- ▶ Best suited with tools that offer export of “**portable FMUs**”
(that do not need a tool installation or runtime license for simulation)
- ▶ The **combination of commercial and open source tools** enable **large-scale deployment** and **new use cases** such as web-based simulations

Outlook

- ▶ **FMI 3.0:** will offer better support for virtual ECUs
 - ▶ arrays, data types, binary data, layered standards (specific: networking)
- ▶ **eFMI will extend the scope automated workflows** from simulation to online operation of model-based functions **on embedded systems**