

# Engine Modeling with Modelica

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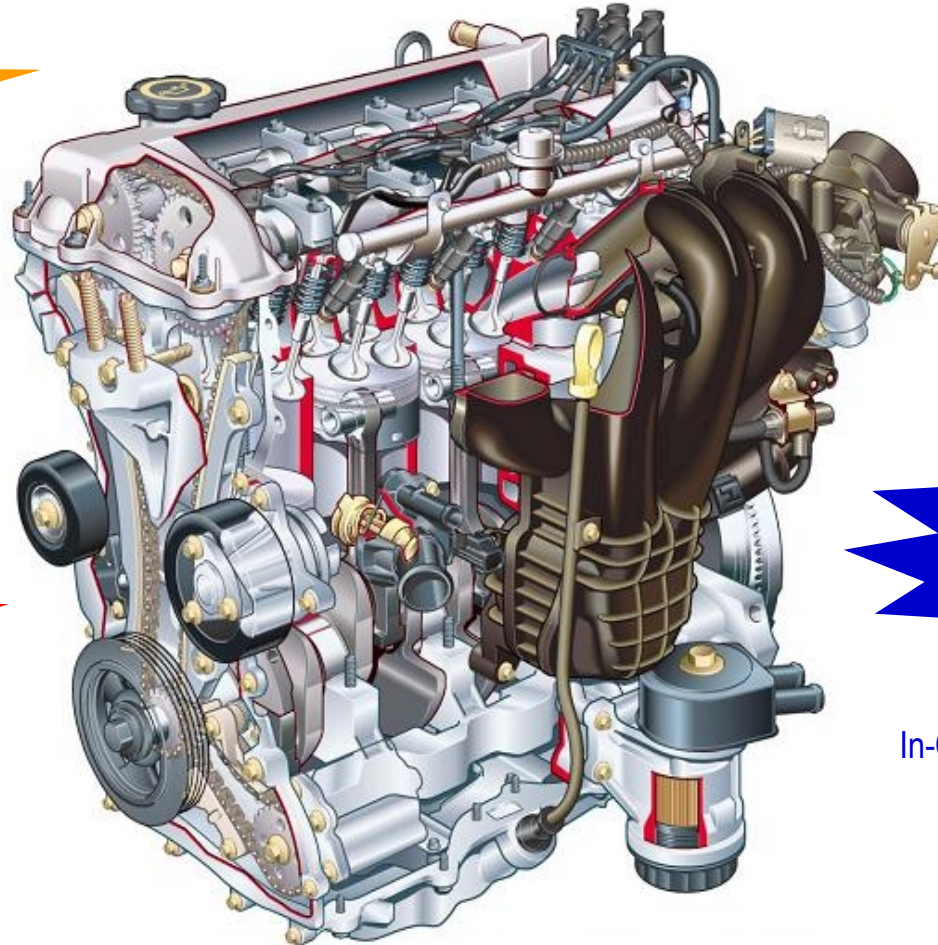
# Engine Physics

## Thermodynamics

Engine Performance  
Mixture Properties  
Combustion Prediction  
Compressible Flow

## Heat Transfer

Metal-Gas Interactions  
Metal-Fluid Interactions



## Mechanics

Valvetrain Actuation  
Engine Motion  
Friction Effects

## Fluid Mechanics

Intake/Exhaust Flow  
In-Cylinder Fluid Dynamics  
Manifold Dynamics  
Liquid Fuel Effects  
Coolant and Oil Flow

Engine analysis requires multi-domain physical models!!

# Model Applications

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## ■ Engine-level analyses

- Throttle response
- Liquid fuel effects (wall wetting)
- Spark control response
- Valve timing response
- Manifold dynamics
- Thermal warm-up characterization

## ■ Vehicle-level analyses

- Drive cycle analyses
  - Fuel economy
  - Emissions
- Vehicle control strategy development
- Energy management studies
- Powertrain analyses
  - Efficiency
  - NVH/shift quality

Wide array of applications necessitates flexibility!!

# Model Characteristics

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- **Transient**
- **Flexible**
  - Predictive vs. fixed combustion
  - Fidelity of component models
    - Accuracy-speed tradeoff?
  - Working fluid calculations (medium models)
  - Fuel and air composition
- **Configurable**
  - Single vs. multi-cylinder
- **Reusable**
  - Same interfaces and similar basic components across different analyses
- **User-friendly**

# Outline

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- **Introduction**
- **Interfaces**
- **Medium Model Concept**
- **Signal Bus Concept**
- **Sample Results**
- **Final Remarks**

# Interfaces

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- **Key to flexibility**

- Clearly define system interactions
- Promote orthogonal model development
- Provide framework for model compatibility

- **Examples**

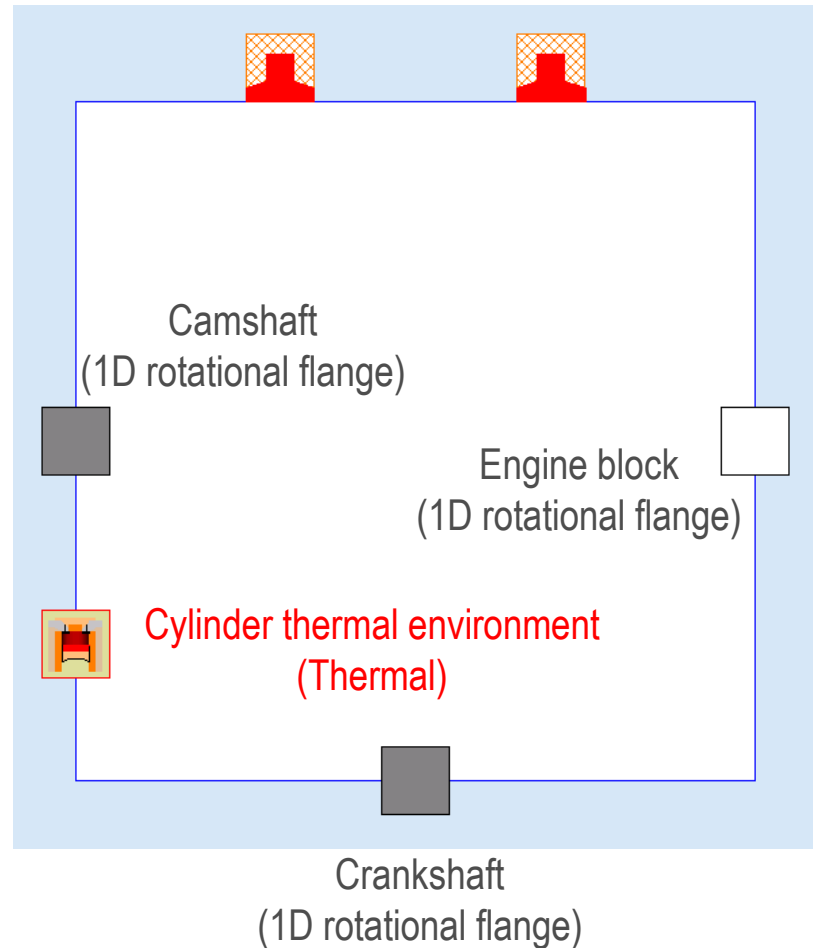
- Cylinder interface
- Engine interface
- Thermal architecture

# Cylinder Interface

- Framework for all cylinder models
  - Partial model
- Defines external connections for cylinder

Induction System  
(Thermodynamic)

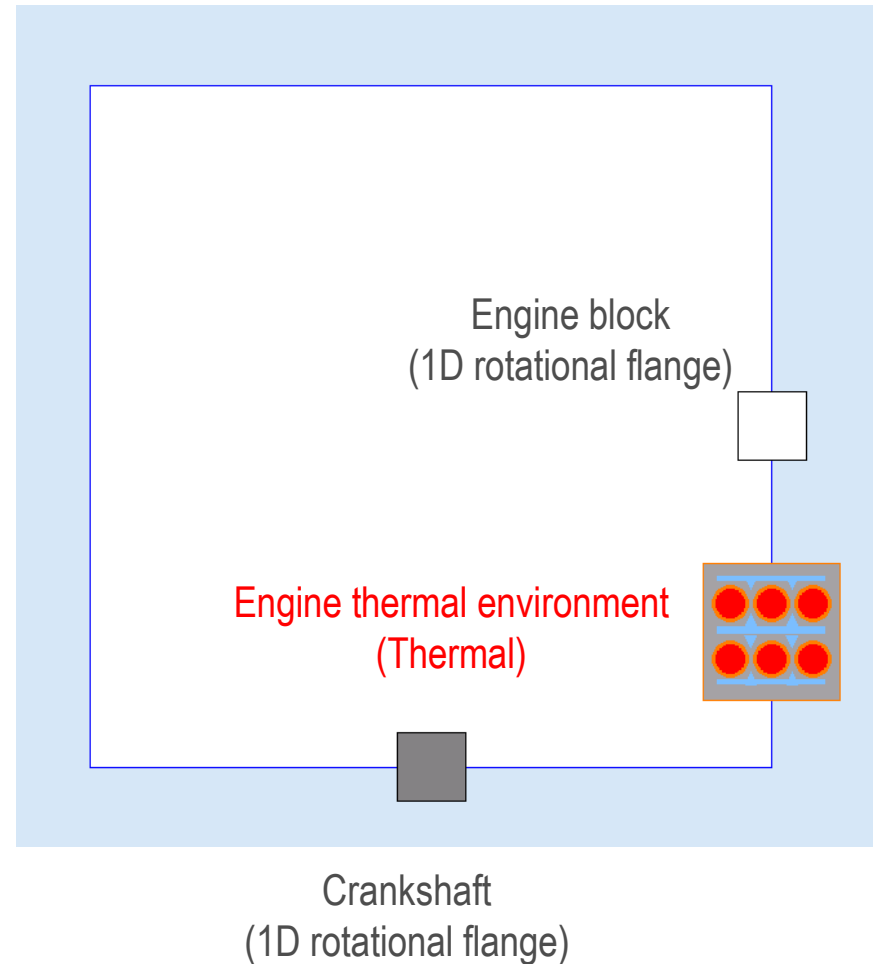
Exhaust System  
(Thermodynamic)





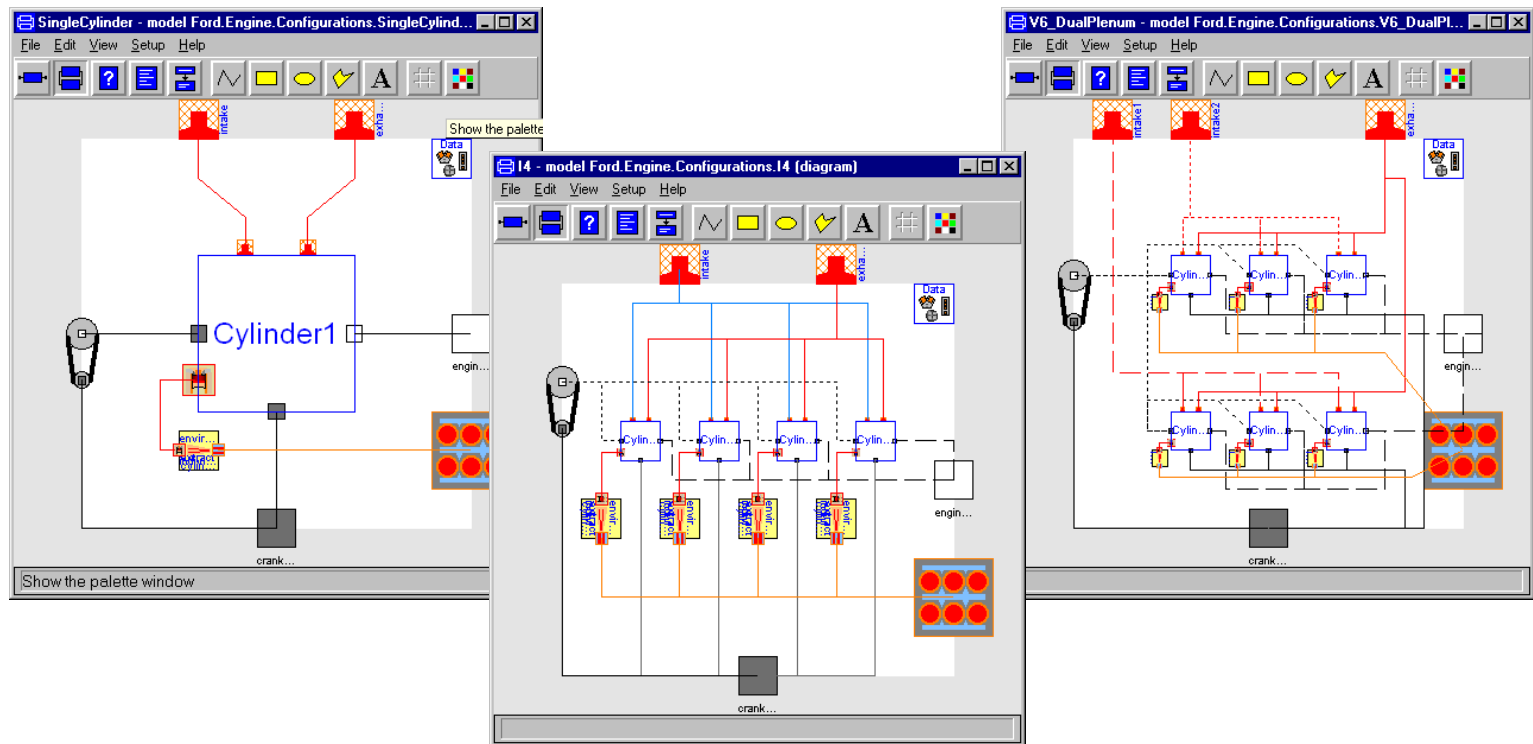
# Engine Interface

- Framework for all engine models
  - Partial model
- Defines external connections for engine
- Extending models define plenum configuration
  - Single plenum
  - Dual plenum



# Complete Engine

- Plug-n-Play with a variety of engine configurations
  - Replaceable cylinder model fits in all engine configurations



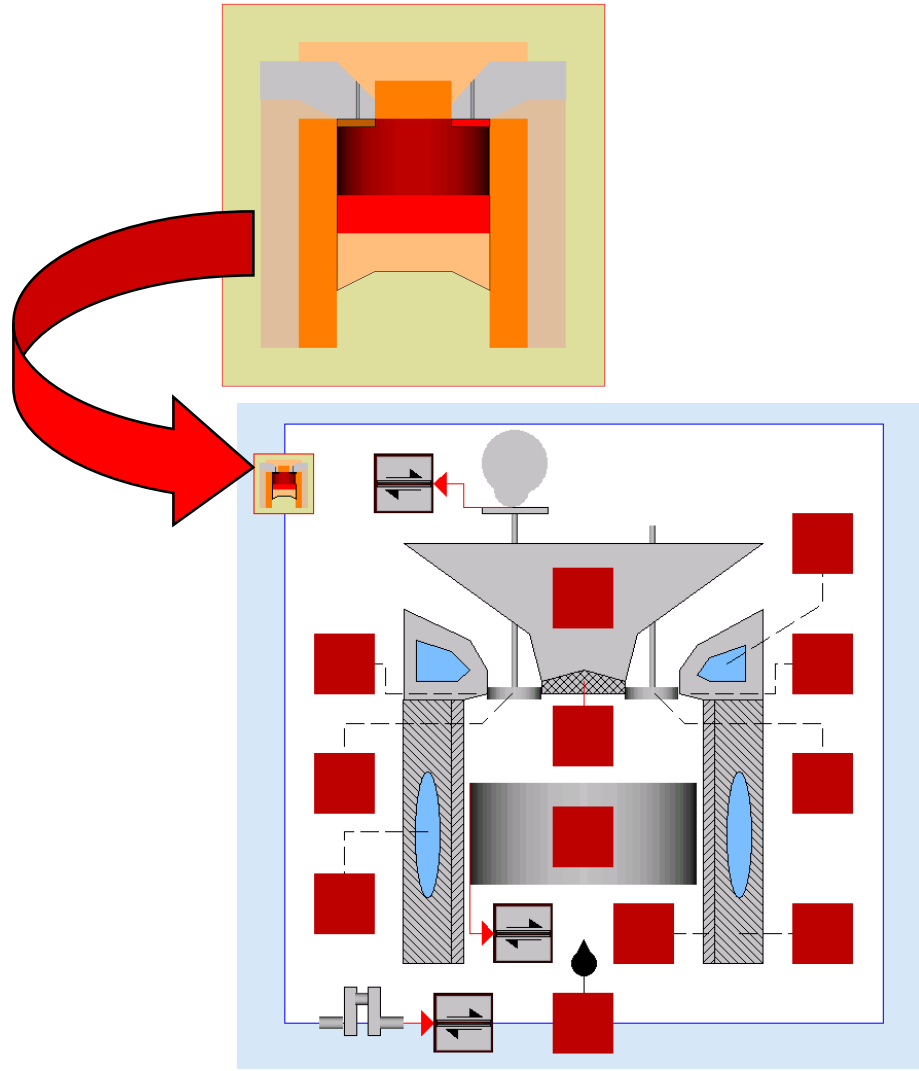
# Thermal Architecture

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- **Provides framework for interaction between cycle simulation and engine temperature models**
  - **Cycle simulation models**
    - Responsible for metal-gas interactions
  - **Transient engine temperature models**
    - Responsible for metal-fluid interactions
- **Allows orthogonal selection of models**
  - **Cycle simulation**
  - **Engine temperature**

# Cylinder Thermal Environment

- “Connector of connectors”
- Thermal bus
- Comprised of connectors for standard components which interact with various models
  - Thermal connectors for various engine components (piston, block, head, etc.)
  - Thermal connectors for engine fluids (oil, coolant)
  - Friction connectors
- Used with “break-out box” in low level models



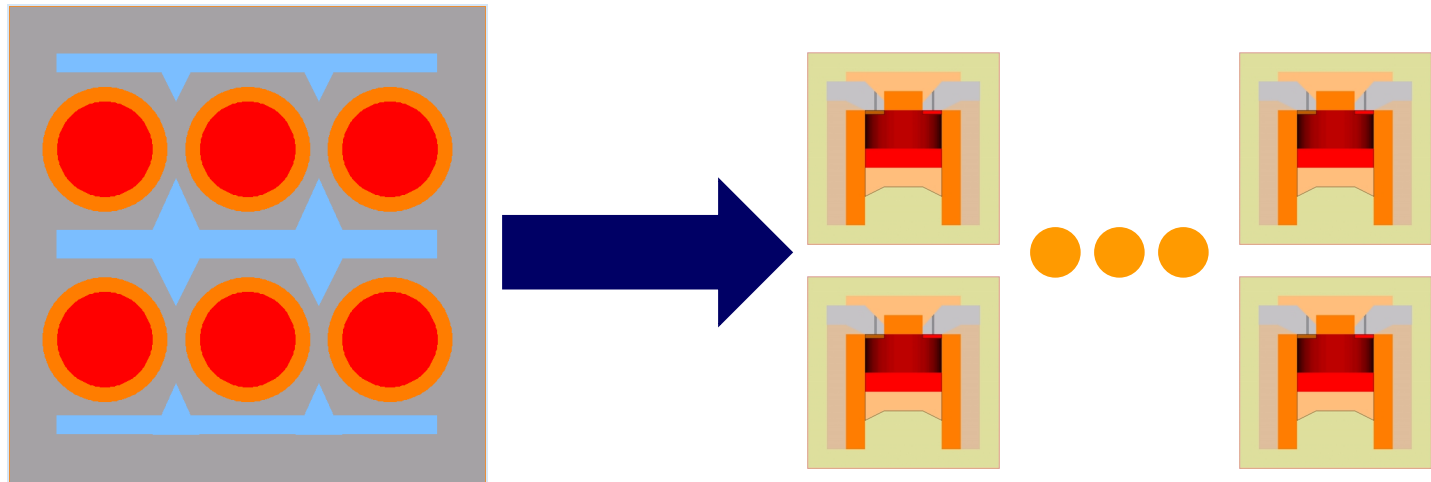
# Engine Thermal Environment

- **Engine level connector**

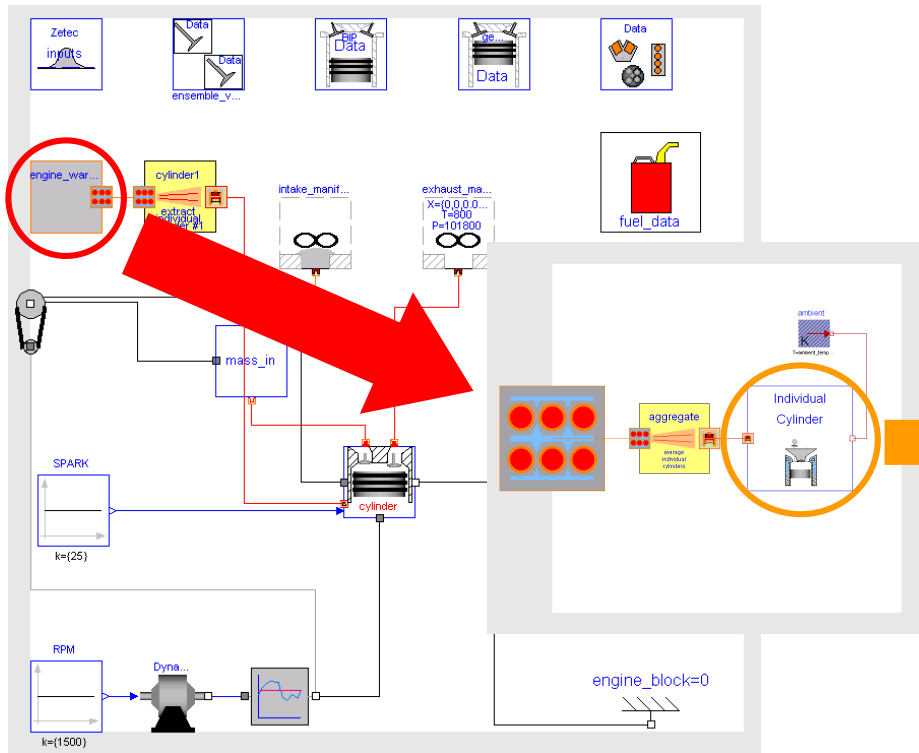
- Array of cylinder thermal environment connectors to allow for multiple cylinders

- **Features**

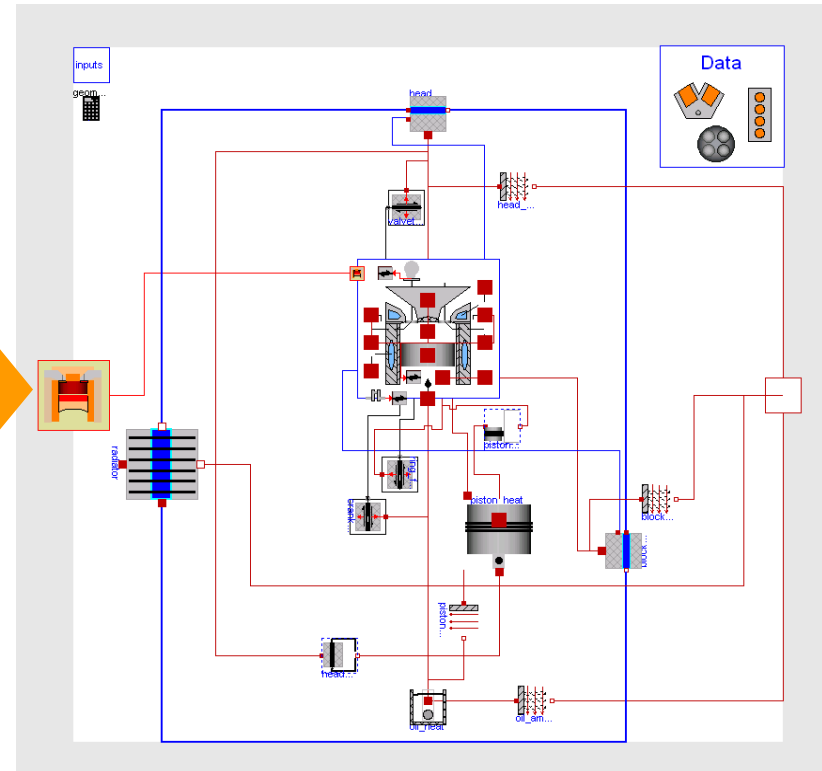
- Parametric connector representation for engines with multiple cylinders
- Consolidates signals to minimize connections
  - Single, engine-level connection



# Using the Thermal Architecture



Single-Cylinder Analysis

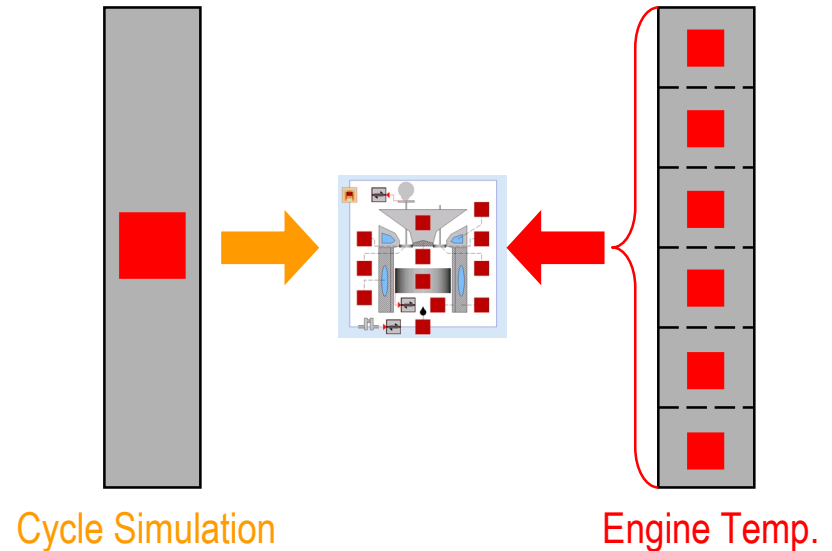


Engine Temperature Model

# Challenges

- **Difficult to connect to connectors within connectors**
  - Direct connection not possible
  - Requires termination of all flow variables before connection (terminator model)
    - Signals requiring termination grows exponentially with number of cylinders

- **Resolving varying level of details in cycle simulation and engine temp. models**



- **Requires:**
  - Averaging temperature
  - Dividing heat transfer rate

# Medium Models

- **Define specific working fluid**
- **Consistent set of models, functions, constants, connectors**
  - Material properties (enthalpy, energy, viscosity)
  - Equation of state
  - Chemical representation (# of species)
  - Chemical kinetics of combustion
  - Helper functions (air-fuel ratio, etc.)
- **Implemented via replaceable packages**
- **Features**
  - Orthogonal development of property models and the component models which use them
  - Consistent framework for development of medium models with varying levels of detail
  - Consistent application of changes throughout model hierarchy
  - Organized
    - Information entirely contained within medium model package
  - Change working fluid at “flip of switch” at highest level

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model EngineTest
  Engine engine(redeclare package MediumModel=Air)
end EngineTest;
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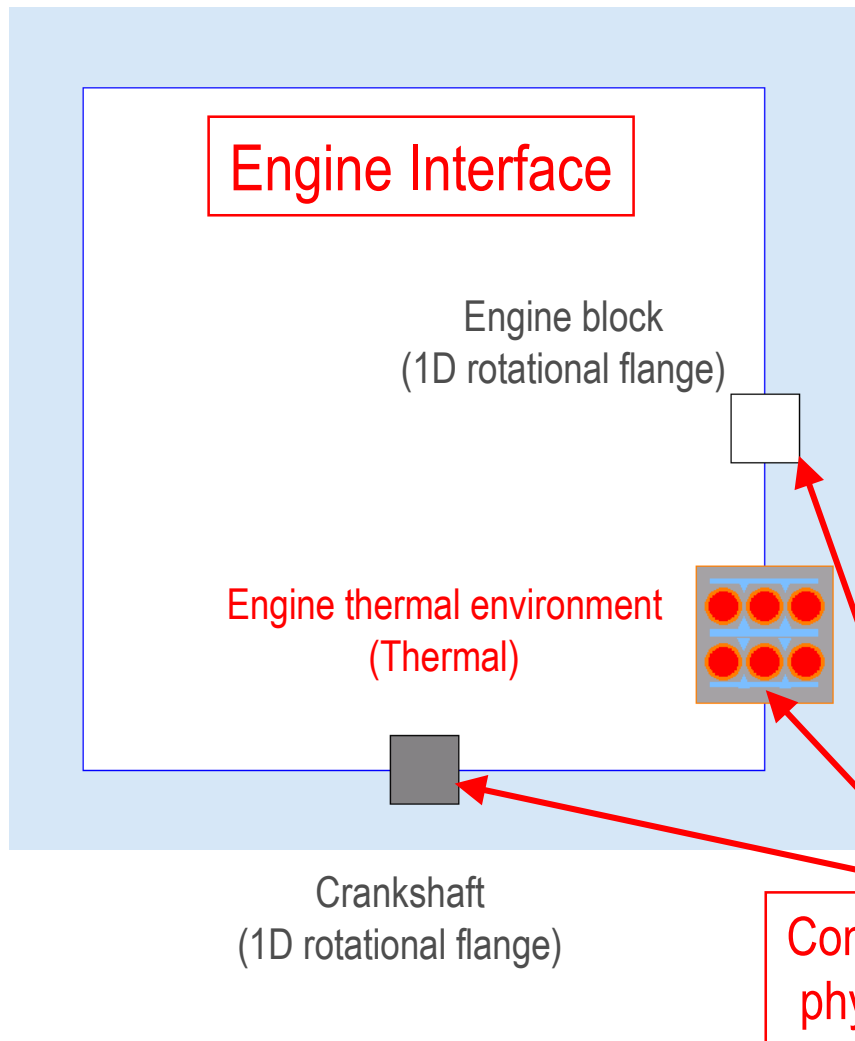


# Challenges

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- **More fool-proof specification of working fluid**
  - Currently requires redeclaration of medium model in each component
  - Single redeclaration that automatically propagates via connections should be possible
- **Generic implementation?**
  - Applicable in all areas of modeling
    - Working fluids in hydraulics models
    - Fuel composition in wall wetting models
    - Material properties in heat transfer models

# Engine Interface...Revisited

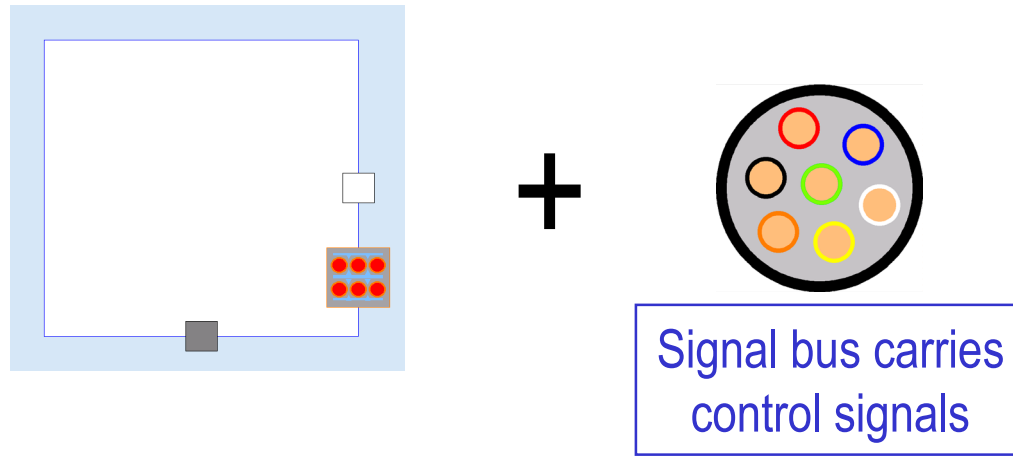


- How do we propagate control signals for modular hierarchies with replaceable components?
  - Redefining component model may change information required
    - Generic cylinder
    - Cylinder with variable cam timing
  - Impossible to anticipate all types of signals that might be required by a specific implementation
  - Not practical to propagate signals via connectors

# Signal Bus

## ■ Signal bus idiom

- Facilitates propagation of control signals for replaceable component models
- Uses inner/outer semantics
  - Outer required to be subtype of inner
- Allows top-level definition for union of all control signals
- Allows selective definition/use of signals at low level



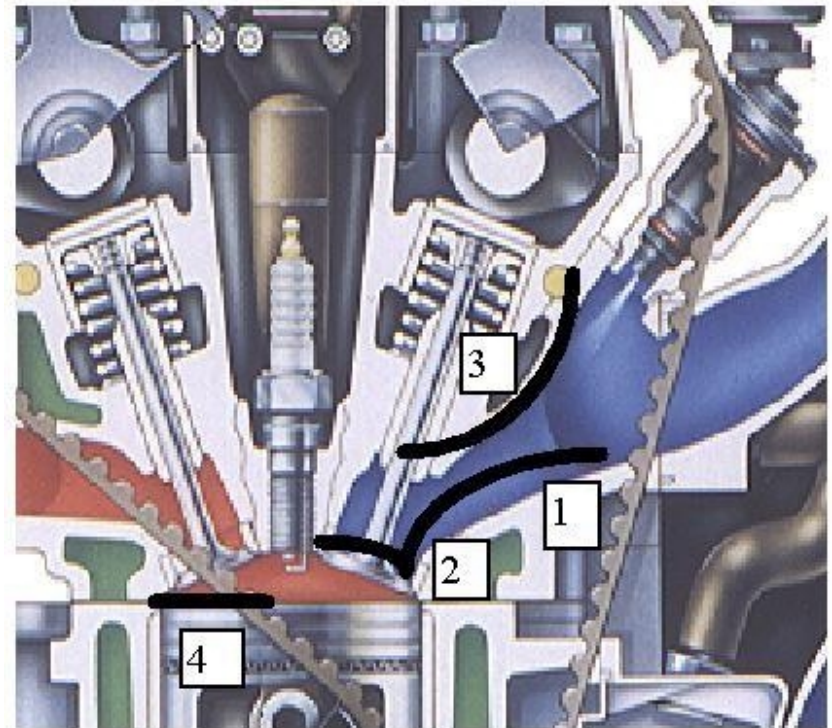
# Wall Wetting Model

## ■ Model details

- Multiple control volumes
- Multi-component fuel
- Evaporation
- Fluid flow
- Puddle shattering (backflow)
- Transient engine cycle simulation
- Transient engine temperature model

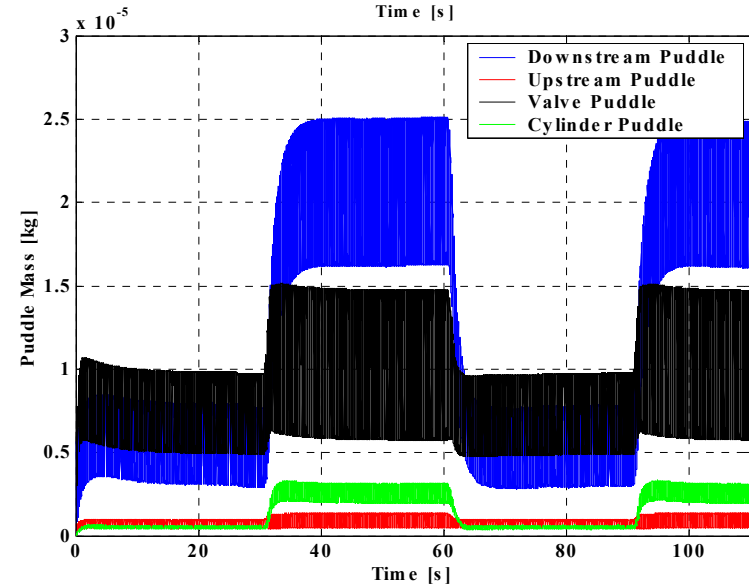
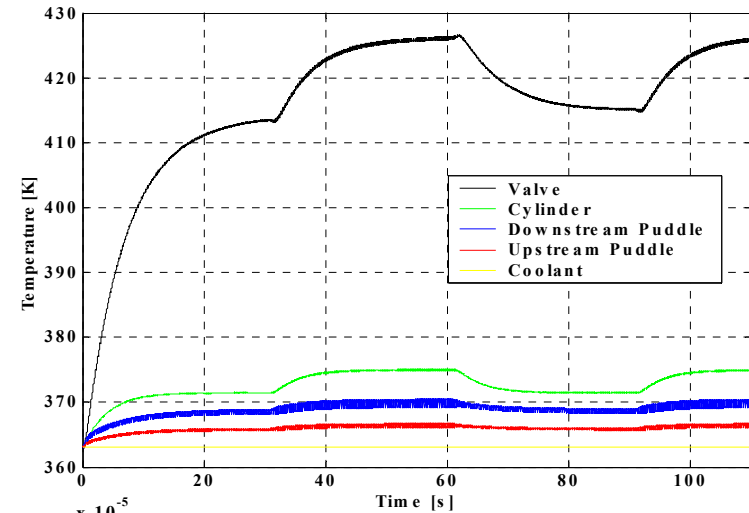
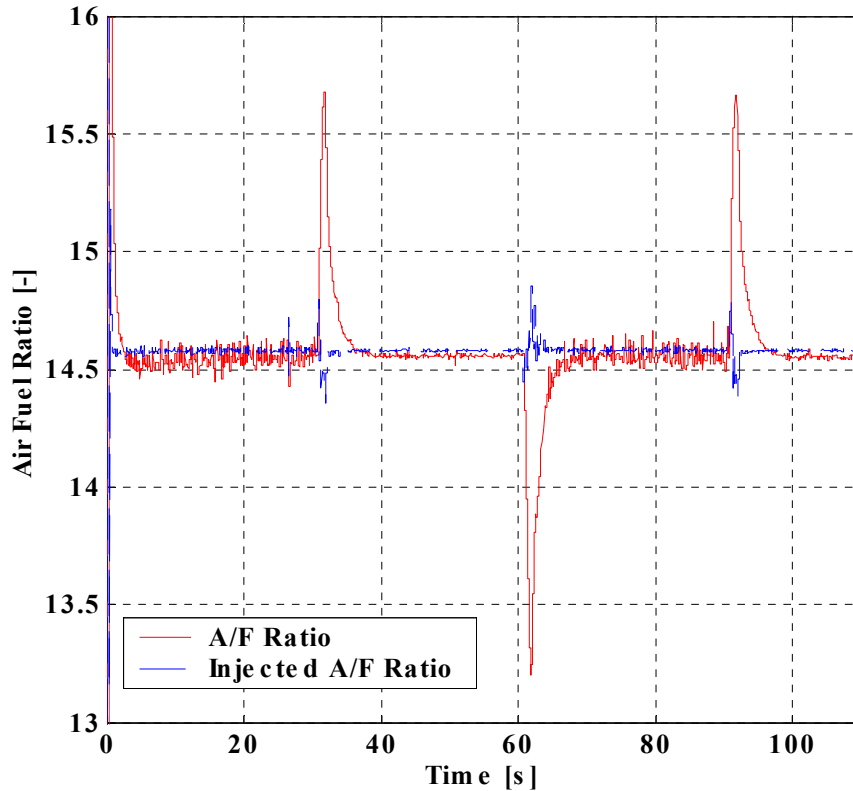
## ■ Applications

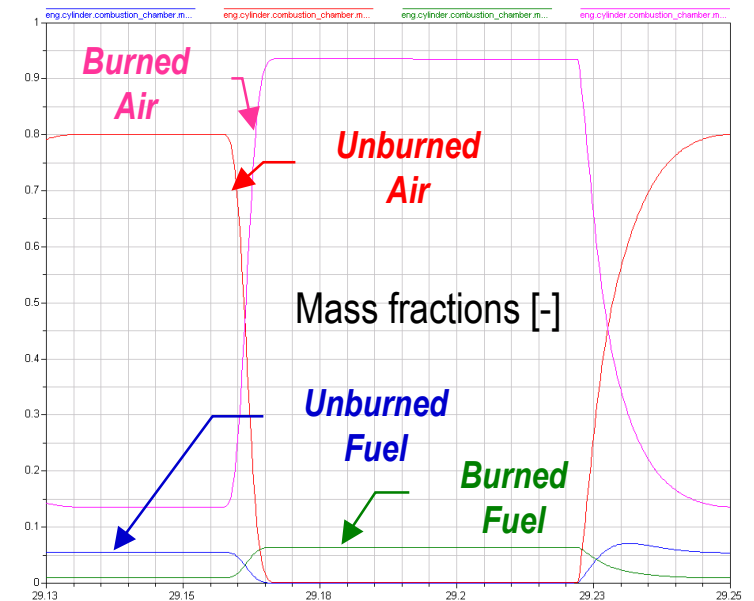
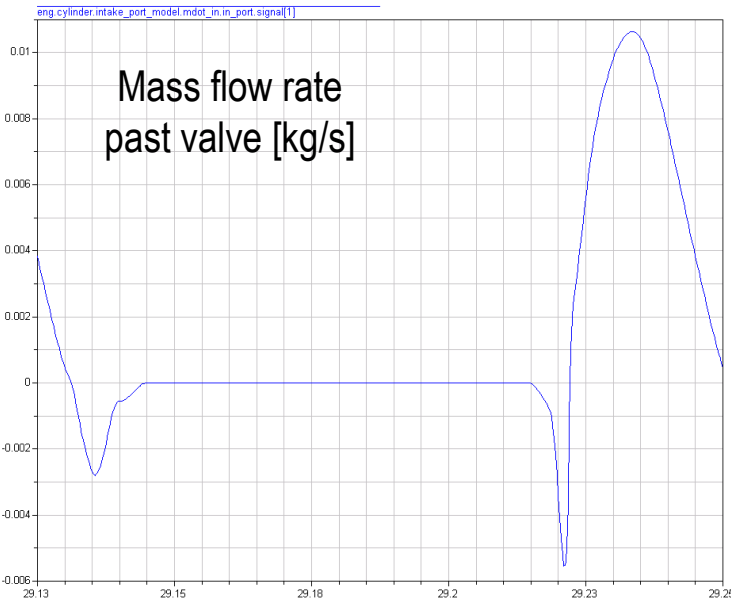
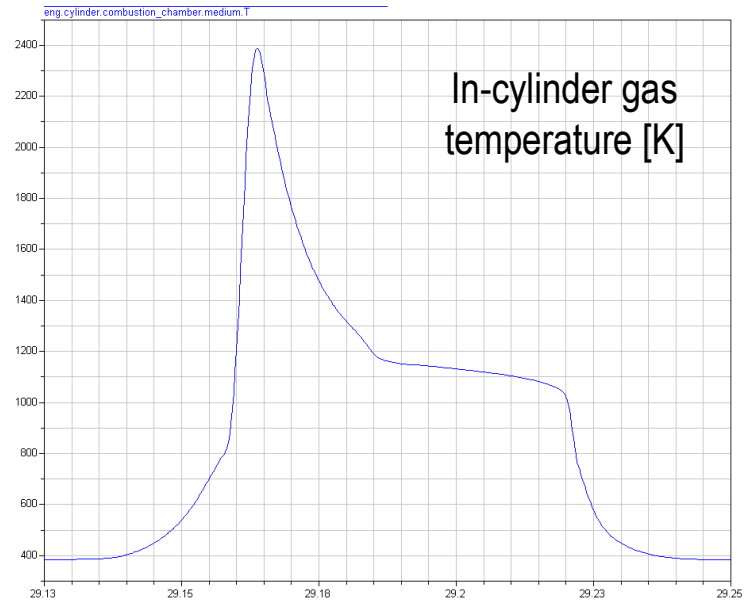
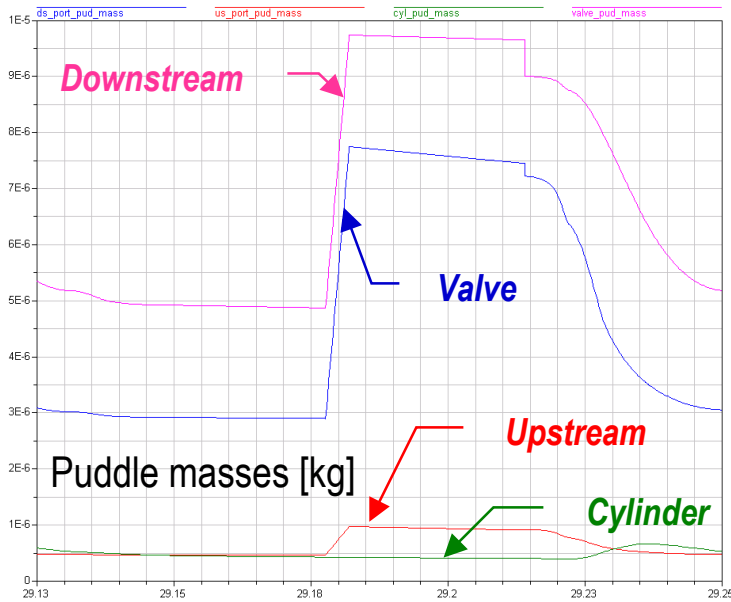
- Throttle and speed transients
- Fuel composition studies
- Injector targeting studies



1. Port Film
2. Valve Film
3. Upstream Film
4. In-Cylinder Film

# Wall Wetting Results





# Final Remarks

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- **Interfaces provide framework for extensible, flexible engine models by independently choosing:**
  - **Combustion models**
  - **Transient engine temperature models**
  - **Medium models**
  - **Engine configurations**
- **Modelica language features highly suited to flexible modeling**
  - **Extends**
  - **Replaceable + Redeclare**
  - **Inner/outer semantics**
  - **Record semantics**
  - **Documentation and graphical annotations**
- **Looking ahead...**
  - **Challenges still exist**
    - **Zero mass with intensive properties**
- **Discussion and new ideas?**