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## Numerical Study of Flow Characteristics in Static Mixers

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### Abstract

The objective of this study is to perform the numerical investigation of flow characteristics in static mixers. Simulations are carried out for mixers consisting of up to six Kenics and PPM elements placed end-to-end at an angle of 90 ° and for a range of Reynolds number( $1 \leq Re \leq 100$ ). The pressure drop across a six-element Kenics mixer is computed and compared with the previous experimental correlations. The results are in good agreement with the previous correlations. The simulated flow field of Kenics mixer is extremely complex and contains regions of transverse flow that is dominated by the interaction of vortices produced by the mixer elements.

1. 가 ,  
 2 가 (1).  
 가 50 Kenics 가  
 가 60 (2), 30  
 agitator  
 (impeller)  
 가  
 가  
 가  
 가 (In-line) (static mixer)  
 가 (3).

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 3 CFD

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1980

Avalosse Nauman<sup>(7)</sup>, Crochet<sup>(5)</sup>, Ling, Arimond Zhang<sup>(8)</sup>, Erwin<sup>(6)</sup>, Dackson Kenics 가

Khakhar<sup>(9)</sup>, Kusch, Ottino<sup>(10)</sup>, Ling<sup>(11)</sup> (partioned-pipe-mixer ; PPM)

Nauman<sup>(12)</sup> Kenics PPM 가

Lang<sup>(13)</sup>

CFD S/W SMV Mickaily-Huber<sup>(14)</sup> Kenics

2

6

PPM Kenics

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PPM Kenics

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PPM Kenics

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2.

profile 가

Kenics PPM FLUENT

SIMPLE

0

Neumann 가

0

2.2

가 가

가 가

CATIA ICEM CFD

Kenics PPM Fig. 1 2 가

6 40mm 60mm(L) Fig. 2

6 360mm(6L) 360mm(6L), 1800mm (30L) 2mm 90 °



Fig. 1 Schematic diagram of Kenics and PPM elements

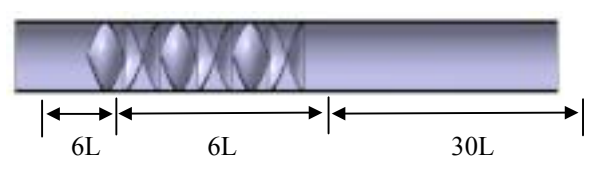


Fig. 2 Dimension of solution model

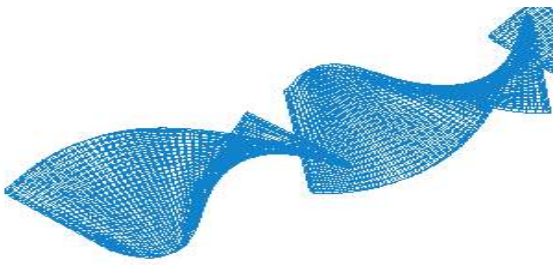


Fig. 3 Surface grids of 2 Kenics elements

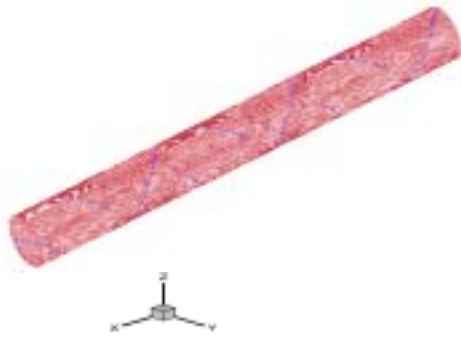


Fig. 4 Computational grid of Kenics element model

ICEM CFD  
 Kenics 441,875  
 PPM 431,184 Fig. 3  
 Kenics  
 , Fig. 4 Kenics  
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 3.  
 Re 1, 10, 100 3 가  
 FLUENT  
 Tecplot  
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 3.1

Re=0.15, /  
 (L/D) 1.5  
 /  
 40mm

Fig. 5 Re=0.15 Kenics

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 Cliff[16], Heywood, et al.[17], Pahl  
 Muschelknautz[18]  
 13Pa 45Pa  
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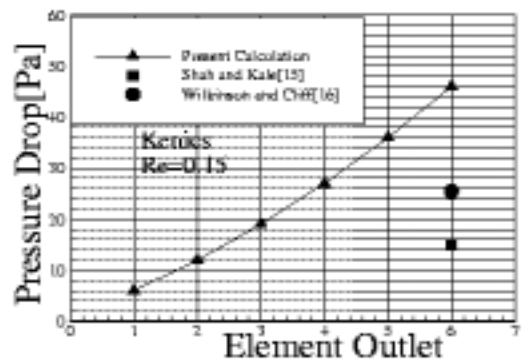


Fig. 5 Comparison of pressure drop with literature data

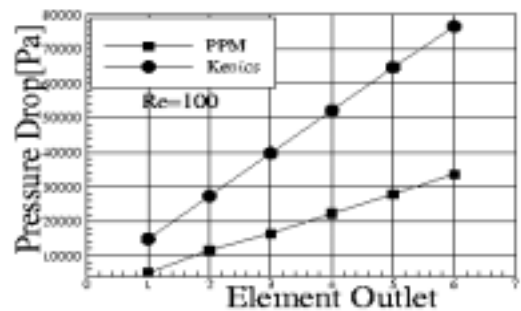
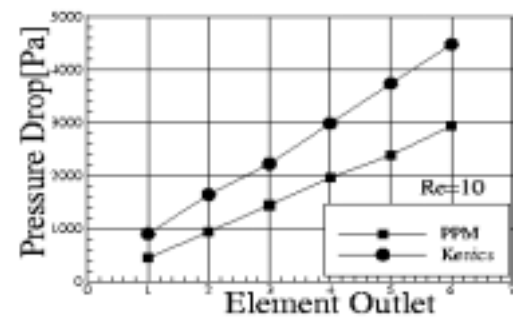


Fig. 6 Comparison of pressure drop

Fig. 6 Re=10 Re=100 PPM  
Kenics 가 가  
가  
Kenics Re  
PPM  
1.5 Fig. 1  
PPM 가 90°  
, Kenics  
90°  
Kenics  
PPM  
Kenics  
가  
3.2  
Fig. 7 Re=100 Kenics  
가  
180°  
X=0L  
가  
가  
가  
가  
가  
X=L  
가  
4  
2  
90°  
2  
X= 2L 5L  
X=L  
6  
X=6L  
4  
2

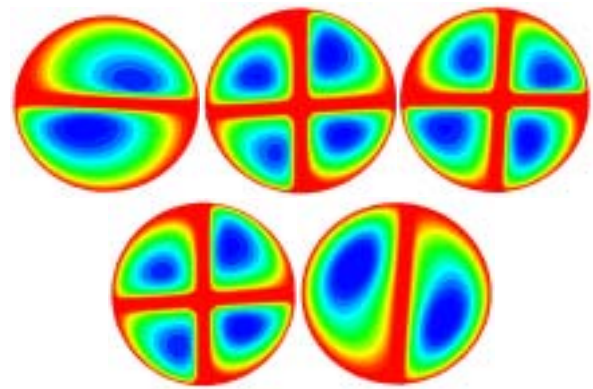


Fig. 7 Longitudinal velocity contour at cross sections of X=0L, 1L, 2L, 5L and 6L of Kenics element (Re=100)

Fig. 8 Fig. 9 Re=10 Re=100  
Kenics

0

Fig. 8 X=0L,

X=L  
가  
90°

가

X=2L 5L

가  
가

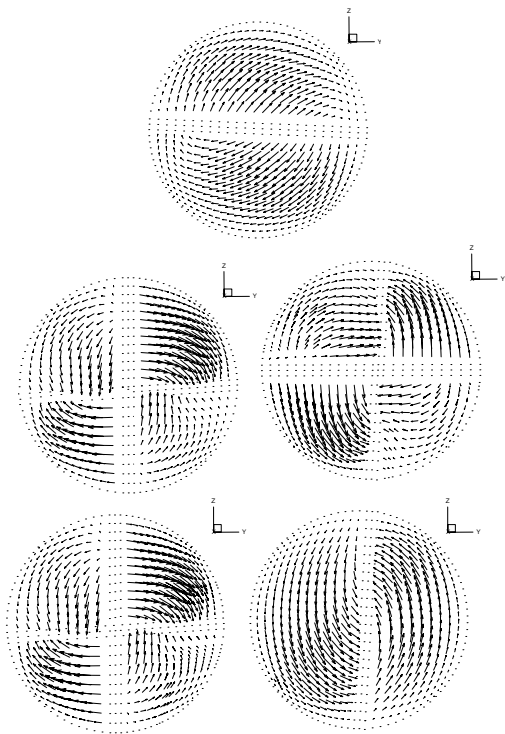
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Fig. 8  
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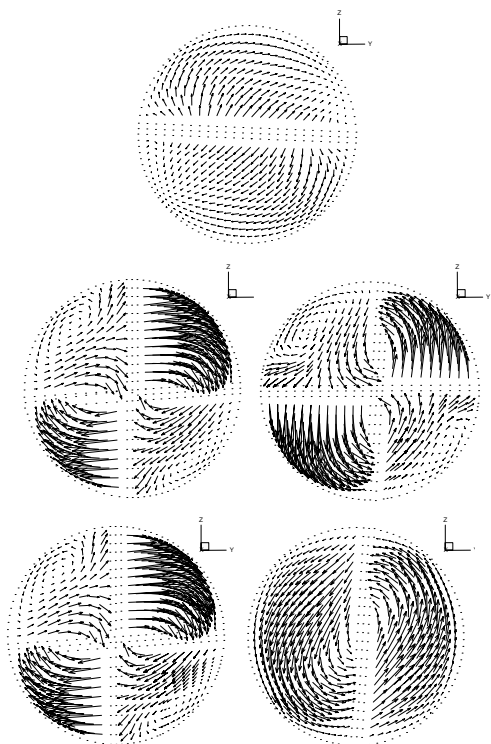
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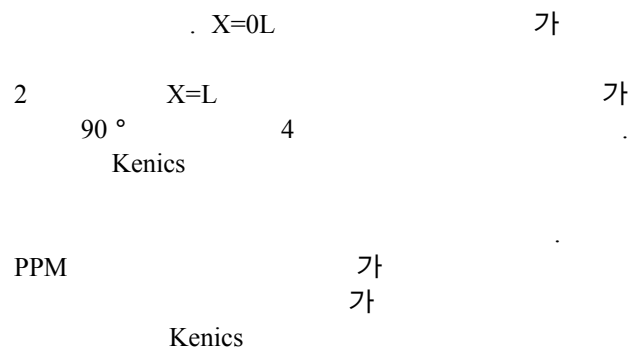


**Fig. 8** Cross sectional velocity vectors at  $X=0L$ ,  $1L$ ,  $2L$ ,  $5L$  and  $6L$  of Kenics element ( $Re=10$ )

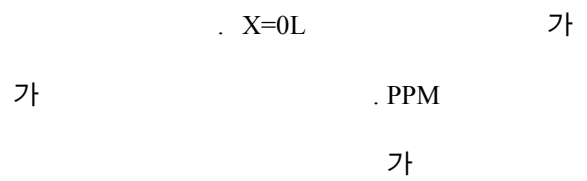


**Fig. 9** Cross sectional velocity vectors at  $X=0$ ,  $1L$ ,  $2L$ ,  $5L$  and  $6L$  of Kenics element ( $Re=100$ )

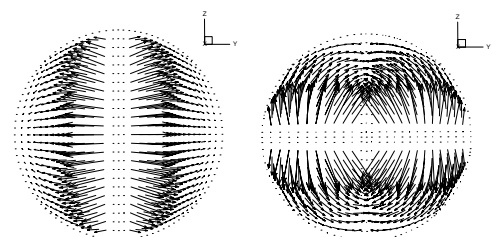
**Fig. 10**  $Re=100$  PPM



**Fig. 11**  $Re=100$  PPM



**Fig. 10** Longitudinal velocity contour at cross sections of  $X=0L$ ,  $1L$ ,  $2L$  and  $6L$  of PPM element ( $Re=100$ )



**Fig. 11** Cross sectional velocity vectors at  $X=0$  and  $1L$  of PPM element ( $Re=100$ )

4.

6 Re PPM Kenics

1) Re 2 Kenics  
PPM 1.5

2) Kenics

90 ° , PPM 가

4

3) Kenics

가 PPM 가

4) Kenics 가 가

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