

# Simcenter<sup>™</sup> Flotherm<sup>™</sup> XT Release Highlights

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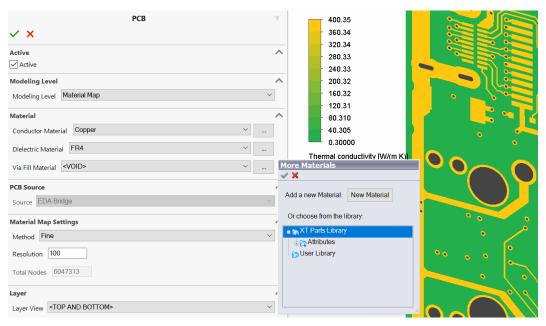
## Introduction

This document provides a high-level overview of this release. It includes a summary of the new features in this release, any authorization code changes required, any major installation changes, and any transitioning issues you should be aware of before installing.

## **New Features**

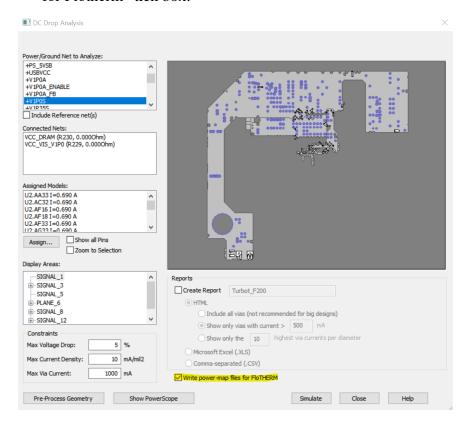
The following new features are available in this Simcenter<sup>TM</sup> Flotherm<sup>TM</sup> XT software release.

- Enhancements to enable different material to be used in Material Map option in PCB SmartPart (transferred from EDA Bridge):
  - User is able to set material for:
    - Conductor layers
    - Dielectric layers.
    - Via fill material
  - User picks material from project list, library or creates new
  - Use "Void" to represent drilled via.

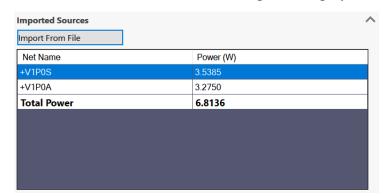


■ Import Power Map from DC Drop calculation in HyperLynx® PI software (V8.2.1 and newer):

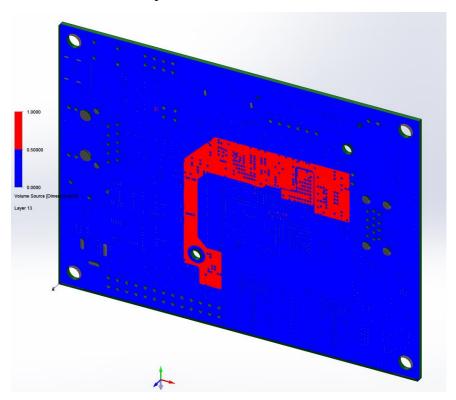
• Obtain File from HyperLynx PI DC Drop calculation using "Write power-map files for Flotherm" tick box.



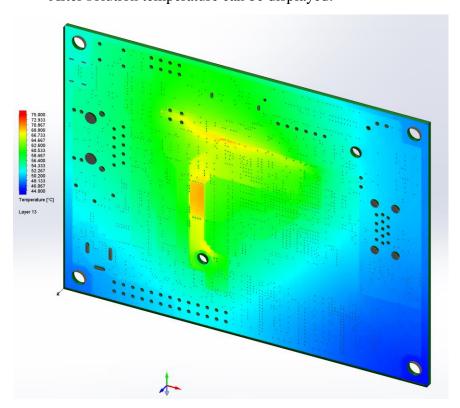
- Import files into PCB SmartPart with material map transferred from EDA Bridge
  - Repeat for each net required
  - Power for each net and total power displayed



- View layer with Volume Source [dimensionless] active to check position of power.
  - Red illustrates powered area.



• After solution temperature can be displayed.



- Co-simulation to account for temperature in DC Drop Calculation in HyperLynx PI and return updated power values (HyperLynx PI VX.2.8 required):
  - User connects to HyperLynx project.
  - User selects nets of interest (DC Drop simulation settings required to be set in HyperLynx for each of these nets)



- At each iteration until convergence:
  - Temperature passed from Simcenter Flotherm XT to DC Drop calculation to ensure correct value for electrical resistivity.
  - DC Drop simulation performed by HyperLynx PI
  - Power passed back to Simcenter Flotherm XT
- Note that HyperLynx PI must be installed on the same computer that is being used to run Simcenter Flotherm XT.

For a detailed list of new features, refer to your product specific release notes manual or README file, available in the installed software tree or on Support Center.

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## **Authorization Codes**

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#### **Supported Operating Systems (Full Software):**

- Microsoft Windows 10 Versions 1909, 2004, 20H2 (Pro or Enterprise 64-bit edition).
- Microsoft Windows Server 2016 64-bit edition.
- Microsoft Windows Server 2019 64-bit edition.

#### **Supported Operating Systems (Solver Only):**

- Linux RHEL 6.6 x64
- Linux RHEL 7.3 x64
- Linux SLES 11.3 x64
- Linux SLES 12 x64

#### **Localized Languages**

- Japanese
- Simplified Chinese

## **Compatible Releases**

The following releases are compatible with Simcenter Flotherm XT 2020.1:

- For full co-simulation HyperLynx PI VX.2.8.
- For power map import HyperLynx PI V8.2.1 and newer.
- HEEDS 2020.1.1
- HEEDS 2019.2.2
- HEEDS 2019.1.1

Note: To support a particular version of Simcenter Flotherm XT the portal setting in HEEDS<sup>TM</sup> software need to be adjusted to use the appropriate Simcenter Flotherm XT executables.

- In HEEDS go to File \ Options \ Analysis Portals.
- Select Simcenter Flotherm XT.
- Set "Solver Install" to correct location
  - For Simcenter Flotherm XT 2020.2 the default location following installation is:
    "C:/Program Files/Mentor Graphics/Simcenter Flotherm XT 2020.2/FTXT/NGP/bin/NGP ParametricStudyStarter.exe"

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