

KaeMix Student Overview

KaeMix Documentation

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KaeMix Student FAQ

- **What is it?**
Software to design and evaluate stirred fluid mixing vessels
- **Where does it come from?**
It is developed by Dr. Andre Bakker, a well-known fluid dynamics expert
- **Who is it for?**
It is for students, educators, and engineers who study stirred fluid mixing problems
- **What can it do?**
Performance prediction for single-phase and multiphase stirred vessels
- **What is it based on?**
Literature data and published correlations
- **Does it fit in my workflow?**
KaeMix complements your CAD and CFD software. In fact, by performing your mixer designs with KaeMix, you can save on CFD analyses because you will need fewer of them
- **What kind of computer do I need?**
A standard 64-bit Windows PC with a screen resolution of at least 1920x1080 suffices – no special hardware needed
- **Where can I get it?**
Send an email request to support@kaemixllc using your university email address and containing a brief explanation about what you will be using it for

User Interface

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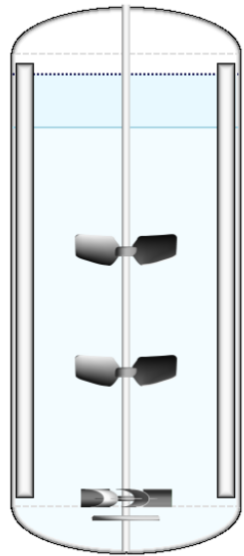
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Impellers Edit Sets 1-4 Edit Sets 5-8

Set 1 ↔ Set 2 ↔ Set 3 Set 4

Connected To:
 Style:
 Type:
 Pump Direction:
 Diameter (m):
 Blade Width (m):
 Number of Blades:
 Blade Angle (degrees):
 Number of Impellers:
 First Bottom Clearance (m):
 Last Bottom Clearance (m):
 Note:
 Impeller Power Number:
 Diameter / Tank Ratio (D/T):
 Blade Width Ratio (W/D):
 Clearance / Tank Ratio (C/T):
 Blade Pitch / Diameter (P/D):

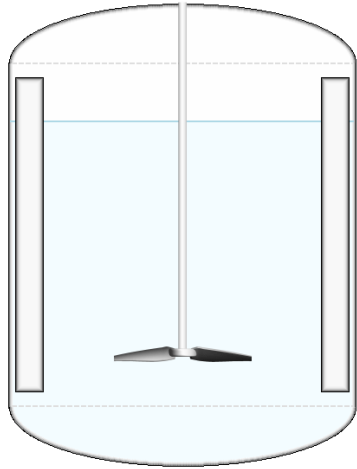
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 Gas Dispersion. Complete Dispersion (3/4). k_a : 0.073 1/s



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ID	⊕	Vessel	T (m)	Z (m)	V_i (m ³)	Bottom	Top	Impeller	RPM	P (kW)	Motor (kW)	Load (%)	Blend Time	N/N_c	M-Scale	Multiphase	Tag	Comment
1	✓	Cylindrical	1.00	1.00	0.7334	ASME	ASME	HF-N	300.0	0.38	10	4%	00:00:23	7.6/10		Single Hydrofoil - Narrow		
2	✓	Cylindrical	2.03	3.45	10.759	Ellipse	Ellipse	HF-N	114.0	3	4.0	75%	00:00:20	1.15	10.1/10	★★★★	Suspension	Fully suspended
3	✓	Cylindrical	1.78	2.80	6.6577	Ellipse	Ellipse	RDT	60.0	1.67	4.0	42%	00:00:19		4.3/10	★★★☆	Multiple spargers	Multiple Rushton
4	✓	Cylindrical	2.03	2.84	8.3443	Conical	Ellipse	SWPS	72.0	6.19	7.89	78%	00:00:21		8.0/10		Sweeper	Conical bottom
5	✓	Cylindrical	2.03	3.80	11.884	Ellipse	Ellipse	BDT	78.0	4.29	10	43%	00:00:23		9.1/10	★★★☆	Gas Dispersion	Turbine + 2 Up Pumping Impellers
6	✓	Rectangular	1.00	0.75	1.4042	Angled	Flat	HF-N	240.0	0.1	0.40	25%	00:00:54		2.6/10		Angled Bottom	Rectangular vessel
7	✗	Cylindrical	1.00	1.00	0.733	Ellipse	Ellipse	HF-N	190.0	0.31	3.0	10%			0.0/10		Cavern Size	Yield stress fluid
8	✓	Cylindrical	1.00	1.00	0.733	Ellipse	Ellipse	HF-N	190.02	2.1	3.0	70%	00:08:41		10.1/10		Cavern Size	Yield stress fluid

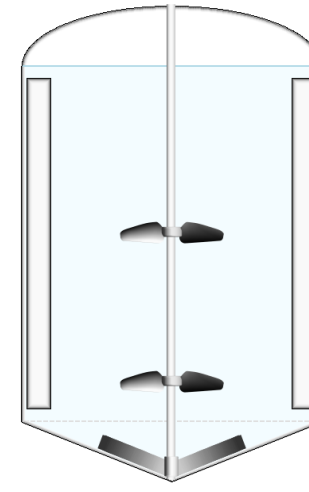
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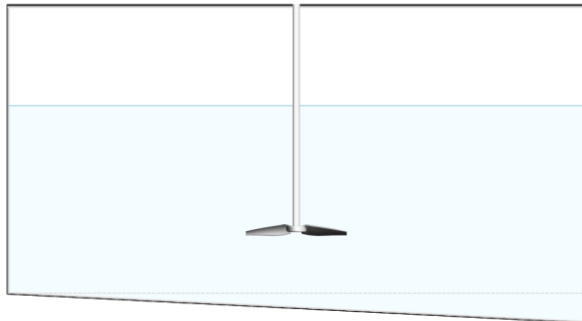
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single hydrofoil



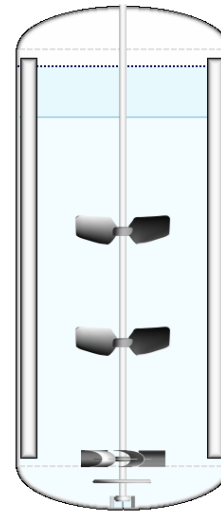
Multiple hydrofoils



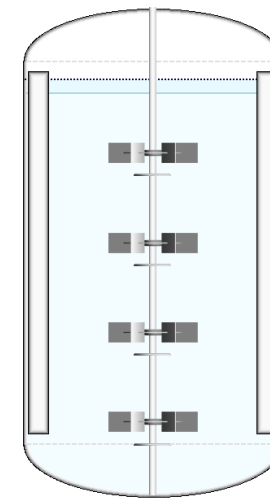
Hydrofoils and a sweeper



Rectangular vessel with
sloped bottom

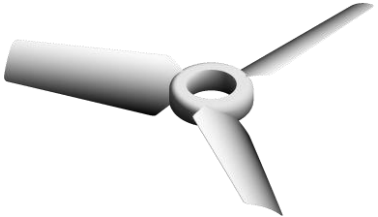


Hydrofoils, a disk
turbine, and gas sparger

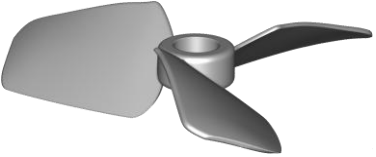


Multiple impellers and
spargers

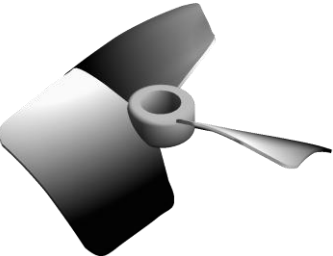
Available Impellers



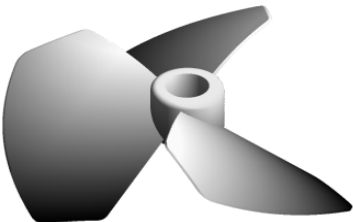
Hydrofoil Narrow



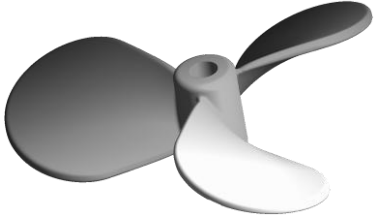
Hydrofoil Medium



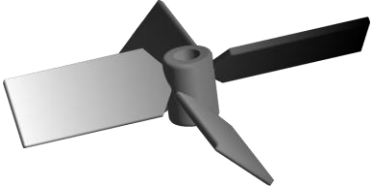
Hydrofoil Wide



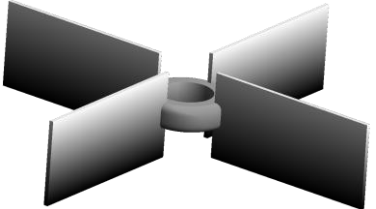
HF Extra Wide



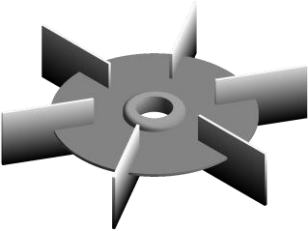
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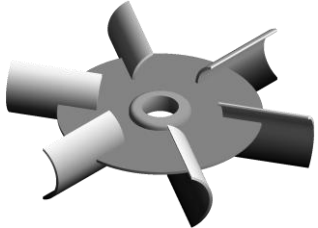
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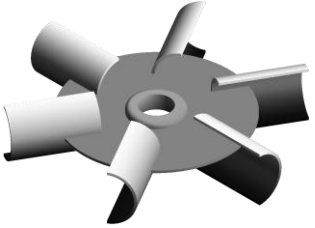
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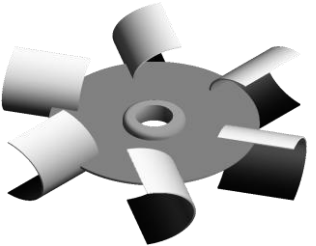
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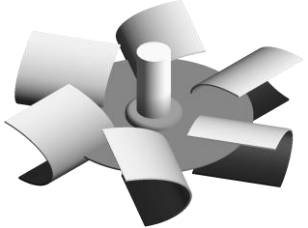
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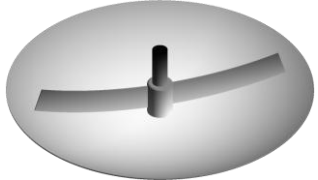
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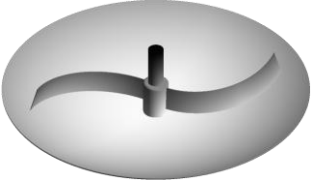
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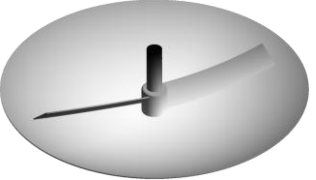
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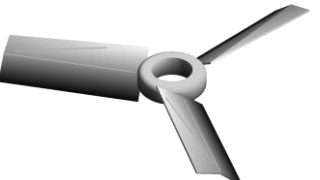
Sweeper Straight



Sweeper Curved



Sweeper Angled



High-Efficiency

Physics

- **General:** flow regime, dimensionless numbers, torque, power draw, flow rate, blend times, cavern size, etc.
- **Materials:** built-in properties for common liquids and gases, Newtonian, power law, yield stress fluids
- **Gas dispersion:** dispersion regime, gas holdup, mass transfer
- **Solids suspension:** just suspended speed, settled solids, cloud height
- **Scale-up:** by blend time, M-Scale, Froude, Reynolds, shear rates, tip speed, power / volume, torque / volume
- **M-Scale:** a 1 to 10 scale of agitation for liquid blending
- **Application guide:** impeller and scale of agitation recommendations

Reporting

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KaeMix Report in Excel

Vessel Design		
Vessel Style	Cylindrical	
Straight Side	3	(m)
Diameter	2.032	(m)
Bottom Style	Elliptical	
Bottom Depth	0.4064	(m)
Bottom Volume	0.8786	(m ³)
Top Head Style	Elliptical	
Top Head Depth	0.4064	(m)
Top Head Volume	0.8786	(m ³)
Vessel Material	Stainless Steel	
Wall Thickness		(m)
Bottom Thickness		(m)
Wetted Parts Material	Stainless Steel	
Sealing	Mechanical Seal - Double	

Operating Conditions		
Operating Temperature	20	(°C)
Operating Pressure	100000	(N/m ²)
Operating Level	3	(m)
Gassed Operating Level	3.328	(m)
Operating Volume	9.289	(m ³)
Operating Pressure	0.987	Atm
Average Pressure	1.147	Atm
Bottom Pressure	1.306	Atm
Flow Rate		(m ³ /s)
Residence Time		(h:m:s)

Liquids		
Primary Liquid	Fermentation Broth	
Density	1100	(kg/m ³)
Viscosity Model	Newtonian	
Viscosity	2	(mPa.s)
Safety	No Safety Concerns	

Drives		
Style	Top Entering	
Drive Name		
Motor	33.46	(kW)
Maximum Load	80	(%)
Speed	78	(RPM)
Speed	1.3	(rev/s)
Rotation	Clockwise	
Mounting Height	0	(m)
Steady Bearing	✓	

KaeMix Report in Word

File Info

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Application

Industry: Fermentations
Application: Pharmaceutical
Process: Aerobic fermentations, e.g. penicillin, steroids, vitamins, etc. Scale-up from previous experience strongly influences design. Fluids are often non-Newtonian because of suspended cells. Gas dispersion. Design variable: gas flow rate. Typical scale of agitation: 9 to 10.

Mixer: A concave-blade, gas-dispersing disk turbine with up-pumping high solidity hydrofoils is recommended.

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