TRAX International Presentation





Presentation Topics



- ✤ Overview
- TRAX Capabilities
- TRAX Simulators



TRAX International

- Founded in 1979
 - Became TRAX International in 2004
- Headquartered in Las Vegas, NV
- Employee-Owned Company
 - Over 2,500 experienced employees
 - Multiple U.S. and international locations
- Government and Commercial Clients
- Core Capabilities
 - Test and Evaluation services
 - Engineering & Analysis for government and energy markets
 - Modeling and Simulation for energy markets



TRAX International Site Locations

Las Vegas, NV Greenbelt, MD Aberdeen, MD Lynchburg, VA Norman, OK White Sands, NM Fort Huachuca, AZ Yuma, AZ El Paso, TX Panama, Suriname,

Honduras, China



TRAX Lynchburg Operations

- Commercial energy market focus
- Houses engineering staff, software staff, management, & support staff
- ISO Certification mid-2014
- Simulator training facilities
- Corporate and customer data center
 - Hosts all Cloud applications
- Engineering & Sales office, Beijing, China





Global Clients and Projects

Commercial Clients Malakoff Group Doosan **Doosan Babcock** Hyundai Heavy Industries Ansaldo GE Emerson Siemens ABB TNB **Foster Wheeler** Bechtel Fluor Southern Company Duke Energy Areva Babcock & Wilcox

Global Installed Projects U.S. South Korea Saudi Arabia Italy France China Brazil Indonesia Malaysia Canada Australia Vietnam U.K.



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ProTRAX High-Fidelity Engineering Grade Software

- Graphical User Interface
- Object Oriented Model Building
- First principles modeling
- Extensive module library
- Serves as ...
 - Engineering tool
 - Training system tool





High-Fidelity Engineering Grade Software

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Interfaces to DCS and PLC hardware



Electrical Modeling - ETAP

- 3000 Companies
- 300 Countries
- 100,000 Licenses



- Integrated Solutions
 - Multiple Interfaces
 - Extensive Equipment Libraries





Engineering Analysis

- Process modeling
- Electrical modeling
- Design verification
- Transient and steady-state modeling
- Environmental additions
- Control system design
- Equipment specification
- NFPA compliance







Engineering Analysis

Process and Design Analysis for Energy – Unconventional

- Solar
- Coal or oil gasification
- Oxy-combustion
- Fuel cells
- CO₂ Capture
- Desalination
- Micro-turbines





Engineering Analysis

Process Plants

- Desalination
- Wastewater
- Gasification
- Sulfuric acid
- Diesel fuel reforming
- Sour gas stripping
- Oxygen separation
- LNG distribution system





Engineering Analysis

Existing Plants - Model Validation





Control Design



- Optimization
- Model-based controls
- Adaptive gains / Gain scheduling
- Multi-variable controls

- Design and tune logic
- Test new control strategies
- Examine control problems
- Detailed checkout before installation





Engineering Analysis – Case Studies



Mong Duong Unit 1 - Dynamic Simulation Study

- CFB boiler
- Full HP and LP bypass system
- Load rejection
- Prevent safeties from opening
- Prevent BFP & CEP cavitation
- Maintain bypass temperature





Fuel Conversions

DRAX Units 4 and 5 Yorkshire, UK



Coal-to-Biomass

- Existing coal plant in Yorkshire, UK
- Co-fire up to 50% biomass pellets
- Addition of SCR

Coal-to-Gas

- Axiall 2-unit conversion in Natrium, WV, USA
- Convert to 100% gas-fired
- Marcellus Shale supply





Coal to Gas Conversion

- Validate model with coal data
- Process Modifications:
 - Removal of pulverizers and exhausters
 - Addition of natural gas burners
 - Shortening of brick portion of the stack
 - Removal of baghouse
- Transient Analysis with natural gas:
 - Modify and tune controls
 - Verify pressures within limits
 - Ensure NFPA 85 compliance





Hybrid Power Generation: Combined Cycle + Solar



- Concentrated solar-thermal power
- 190K mirrors; 75 MW of superheated steam
- World's first hybrid solar energy complex
- Solar field capacitance & piping modeled
- TRAX verified performance & controls design
- Startup procedure for solar field





Furnace Implosion



Draft System Before Scrubber





Furnace Draft - Active Bypass Damper Control



- Addition of scrubbers, baghouses, SCR
- Active bypass damper
- Axial fan stall
- Advanced control strategies
- Keep pressures within structural limits



Renewable Energy: Hydro

SCE - Big Creek Hydro - USA





- First large-scale integrated hydro project in U.S.
- 6 reservoirs & 9 powerhouses
- Generating capacity ≅1,000 MW
- Pumped storage
- Guaranteed water flow
- TRAX optimization control modeling



Renewable Energy: Hydro Optimization



- Economic dispatch of units to water usage
- Level Control
- Power Distribution in River Chain
- Predict effects of modified operation
- Cost of operations



Steam Distribution Network



- Long piping runs
- Multiple boilers
- Multiple consumers
- Headers and pressure regulation
- Steam traps
- Optimization



Compressed Air Energy Storage

- Best 'utility scale' energy storage technology after Hydroelectric
- Two installations in the world: Huntorf, Germany & McIntosh, AL, U.S.
- In U.S., TRAX modeled all process components including underground cavern



Storage Cavern:	19 M cu/ft.
Full Pressure:	1100 PSI
Compression Time:	41 Hrs.
Air Generation Time:	26 Hrs.
Full Load Output:	110 MW



Oxy-Combustion



Advantages:

- Limited emissions (CO, NOx)
- No back end scrubbers

Disadvantages:

• Air separation plant



ProTRAX Dynamic Models: Once-Through Steam Generator



- New turbine design
- High combustion temperature
- Steam cooled parts
- Determine minimum startup time



ProTRAX Dynamic Models: Nuclear BOP



- Condensate pump trip
- Reactor trips on low SG level
- Heater drain pump NPSH drops below the trip setpoint for about 34 seconds
- Modify condensate pump head curve to eliminate trip



ProTRAX Dynamic Models: Turbine Overspeed





Engineering Analysis: Combined Cycle Plants



- New plant design
- Gas turbine + HRSG
- Performance guarantees
- Startup characteristics



TRAX IGCC Experience

Wabash River



- Conoco gasifier
- Training simulator

TECo Polk



- Texaco gasifier
- Controls checkout
- Training simulator

ISAB



- Texaco gasifier
- Controls checkout
- Engineering simulator



Cool Water



- Texaco gasifier
- Shell gasifier
- Engineering simulator

Process Applications – Diesel Fuel Reforming



- Diesel Fuel \rightarrow H2
- Feedstock for fuel cell
- Multiple catalytic reactors
- Steam reformers
- Heat exchangers
- Improve startup time



Electrical Modeling

Electrical analyses include:

- Economic
 - Optimal Load Flow
 - Optimal Capacitor Placement
- Reliability
 - Short Circuit (AC & DC)
 - Protective Device Coordination
 - Reliability Assessment
 - Transient Stability
- Safety
 - Arc Flash (AC & DC)
 - Electric Shock Protection



Electrical Modeling – Smart Grid

- Macro or Micro grids
- Self-healing
- Self-coordinating
- Arc Flash studies





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Modeling & Simulation Experts

- TRAX core technology to fossil power ProTRAX[™]
- Industry leader with 200+ training simulators delivered
- Configurable products for rapidly changing industry
- Implementation centers in U.S. and China
- Demonstrated experience in:
 - Gasification
 - Carbon capture
 - Biomass
 - Hybrid plants



Internation

Simulator Configurations











Simulator Experience



- Over 200 Delivered
- Experienced in all simulator types
- Nearly 30 Emerson Virtual's delivered
- Siemens Virtual as part of Shin-Boryeong



Repeat Customers

- Ameren
 - 10 Units
 - 20+ Simulator copies
- TVA
 - 6 TRAX built Simulators
 - 6 Internally built Simulators
 - 2 Co-built CCGT Simulators
- Southern Co.
 - 8 Simulators
 - 2 New units in process

- KCPL
 - 9 Simulators
- Duke Energy
 - 6 Simulators
- SCE&G
 - 4 Simulators
- MidAmerican Energy
 - 4 Simulators





Simulator Uses – Case Study



Project Overview

Carbon Capture Addition

- World's first post-combustion coal-fired CCS facility
- Capturing full gas stream not slip stream
- System provides both CO2 and SO2 capture
- CO2 transported via pipeline to Weyburn enhanced oil recovery site 100 km away
- 90% CO2 capture rate
- Estimated Cost = \$1.24 Billion



Project Overview



Simulator Objectives

Goal for Simulator

- Controls / Process checkout
 - Test and Verify unique and first-of-a-kind control philosophies
 - Help to debug details of control logic prior to plant commissioning
 - Refine and validate sub-system interactions
- Training
 - Familiarize operators with unfamiliar HMI screens and processes
 - Provide a comprehensive and unified platform to train operators on all aspects of new plant operations



Challenges



Short schedule

- Unique challenges of a first-of-a-kind plant caused a delayed start
- Intellectual property concerns delayed source data and contracts
- High priority customer needed to investigate process interactions – could result in process changes
- Need to begin training operators multiple unfamiliar systems to learn
- Both engineering testing and training were needed before a sequentially staged project could be completed





- Short schedule
- Process Simulation Challenges
 - First implementation of Cansolv process. Steady state theoretical design. No dynamic information.
 - Many initial design questions: Can the goals be met with a single Instructor station or separate? How will the different islands interact? How will the PLCs be represented? Which process conditions require the most fidelity?
 - Intellectual property issues with the companies involved limited what design information was available
 - Real-time simulation using CO2
 properties calls





- Short schedule
- Process Simulation Challenges

Controls Challenges

- First implementation of control philosophies
- Multiple controls teams in the US, Canada, and Netherlands
- Complexity and diversity in control scheme
 - ABB 800XA DCS
 - Numerous Allen Bradley PLC's
 - CO2 compression
 - CO2 APU
 - SO2 APU
 - SO2 AFU



Solution



Work Plan

- Replace single development path with multiple parallel development efforts
- Purchase and configure four simulator platforms with independent hardware and licensing
- Modular standalone testing of new systems when possible
- Use a combination of permanent and temporary licenses
- Intimate support of DCS vendor ABB.
- On-simulator, real-time control modification/correction
- Continual customer involvement
- Consolidate the stand-alone systems into a single platform as the stages are delivered





Final Outcome of Simulator Development

- Customer designed and tuned controls
- Understanding of system interactions
- Simple control logic errors were discovered and corrected
- Controls tuning was performed, which should help to expedite the commissioning process
- Helped in development of initial plant Operating Procedures
- Simulator delivered on time allowing valuable operator training to commence on schedule



Representative Simulators



TVA – Colbert Unit 5

- Hybrid ABB Symphony DCS / PPA HMI
- B&W Subcritical Once-through
- 550 MW Parsons Cross Compound TG
- Large emulated soft panel
- Delivered 2008, 2011





Xcel Energy – Sherco Unit 3

- Foxboro I/A DCS & HMI Virtual
- B&W Natural Circ / Balanced Draft Drum Boiler
- 915 MW GE Steam Turbine
- GE Mk II Turbine Controls
- ~ 36,000 I/O





TVA – Widows Creek Unit 8

- 500 MW Coal Plant with twin furnace CE boiler
- ABB DCS HTS Virtual
- BBC Cross Compound STG w/ ABB ProControl Turbine controls
- Fully modeled wet FGD, SCR and lime Injection systems
- HPE system with 56 LCD displays





Duke Energy – Cliffside Unit 6

- 905 MW Supercritical balance draft boiler
- Ovation DCS Virtual
- Toshiba STG w/ TOSMAP emulated turbine controls
- GE Mk VI BFPT Virtual controls
- Fully modeled wet FGD, dry FGD and SCR systems
- Delivered 2011





Shenzhen Energy – Heyuan Power Plant

- 600 MW Ultra-Supercritical coal-fired Power Plant
- ABB DCS Hybrid w/ PGP HMI
- MHI / Harbin Boiler and STG
- Fully modeled wet FGD system
- Delivered 2009





Georgia Power – Plant McDonough

- 2x2x1 CCGT Plant Configuration 840 MW plant output
- Ovation DCS Virtual
- MHI M701G2 Gas Turbines
- Toshiba Steam Turbine
- Nooter-Eriksen HRSG's
- Includes Simulator Training Program (STP) w/ Teaching Assistant





SaskPower – Boundary Dam Unit 3

- 160 MW coal-fired Power Plant with Full flow flue gas Carbon Capture
- Cansolv amine based CO2 and SO2 removal processes
- Power Island, Acid Plant and CO2 compression
- Multi-phased simulator delivery
- ABB 800xA DCS with PPA HMI





Training Systems

Training Tools

- Full scope training services on-site or at TRAX, delivered with simulator projects
 - Needs-assessment
 - Curriculum development
 - Instructor and power plant operator training
- Self-guided simulator training: TRAX Teaching Assistant available on-demand around the clock: 'Instructor-less'

New ProTRAX Cloud







- Real Time
- Full Scope
- High Fidelity
- Train Efficiently
- Train Anytime, Anywhere
- Flexible
- Utilize any modern device and web browser
- No software install or downloads needed
- Priced Per Named User











Thank You



