Run a FEM analysis of a nozzle with NozzlePRO from NextGen

The positioning of some nozzles can be critical with an approach based solely on Design By Formulae: NozzlePRO offers an easily approachable Design By Analysis approach.

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Thanks to the close collaboration with Paulin Research Group, it is possible to perform an FEM finite element analysis of a nozzle directly from the Sant'Ambrogio software. This analysis is performed by NozzlePRO, a software supplied by CEI, to be installed separately from NextGen; we can offer commercial support, through the usual assistance contacts.

You can find the icon in the ribbon bar, under the "Tools" category:



Clicking this icon opens the interface for the NozzlePRO analysis management. To create an analysis, click on the "New Analysis" button, enter the name and select the component to which this analysis refers. The supported components will increase over time (nozzles, lifting lugs, brackets, etc). In the "loads" section it is possible to insert the loads acting on the attachment. All commonly used settings that can be set in NozzlePRO are present directly in NextGen. Once the analysis has been set up, click on "Save" to save it.

Finite Elements Analysis with NozzlePRO		>
Nozzle #1	General JLoads	
	Name / Position	Demo Analysis
	Component to analyze	Nozzle #1 (3" STD) ~ < >
	Nozzle or attachment material fatigue curve	Low carbon steel, UTS < 130 ksi <
	Shell material fatigue curve	Low carbon steel, UTS < 130 ksi v
	Use crude mesh	
	Mesh density	1
	Number of required fatigue cycles	7000
	Nozzle-to-wall weld stress intensification factor	1,35
	Pad-to-wall weld stress intensification factor	1,35
	Head-to-shell weld stress intensification factor	1,35
	Nozzle or attachment tilt angle	• 6
	Do not cut hole in vessel for branch	
	Free top cylinder end	
	Free bottom cylinder end	
	AmbientTemperature	21 🔹 °C
	Calculate pressure stress only	
	SIF's and K's for cylinder header	
	Deactivate element smoothing	
🕂 <u>New analysis</u> 🗙 <u>Delete analysis</u>	🔁 Run analysis	🛃 Run geometry only 🛛 🛕 View results 🛛 🕞 Save 🏼 🤊 Cance
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There are two main buttons to interact with NozzlePRO: "Run analysis" and "Run geometry only". Starting from the latter, this performs the meshing and opens the inspection window that allows you to confirm that the geometry is the correct one.



It is then possible to perform the actual analysis using the "Run analysis" button. The progress of the job will be displayed and at the end, the default internet browser will be opened to display the NozzlePRO output. At the same time, this output will be imported into NextGen automatically: closing the analysis management and calling the creation of the complete report will show a new item in the list, corresponding to the analysis performed.

Item Report	x
Components	Active design condition
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Check/uncheck all components Cylindrical shell #1 (20" STD) Cylindrical shell #1 (3" STD) Demo Analysis	Active design condition Design conditions Units of measurement Metric only Page Numbers First page: 1 Total page count: 1 Print date 27/06/2018 List of applicable loads Edit Language English
	Report Cancel

Once the report has been generated, it will be possible to see that the analysis has been included both in the summary and in the document structure: the imported data are the same produced by NozzlePRO, complete with graphical analysis.



The location of NozzlePRO is automatically detected by NextGen: if this doesn't happen, you can set it from the Tools> Options menu, in the Default Paths list.

This feature will be constantly updated in the future, also on the basis of feedback received from our users: it is important for us to receive your comments and suggestions, in order to offer you the best possible user experience.