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Hydrogen Diffusion in Metals

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Introduction

Hydrogen embrittlement refers to the degradation of metal ductility due to the absorption of hydrogen. The metal becomes more brittle and thus cracks might initiate at lower stress levels. It is important to estimate hydrogen concentration and the speed at which it diffuses into the metal in order to predict and avoid crack formation and propagation.

This model shows how to simulate the uptake and diffusion of hydrogen in a notched metal sample from an aqueous electrolyte. It uses the Transport in Solids interface to model both the concentration-driven and stress-driven diffusion in a solid.

Model Definition

The model geometry consists of a metal part with an initial defect as depicted in Figure 1.

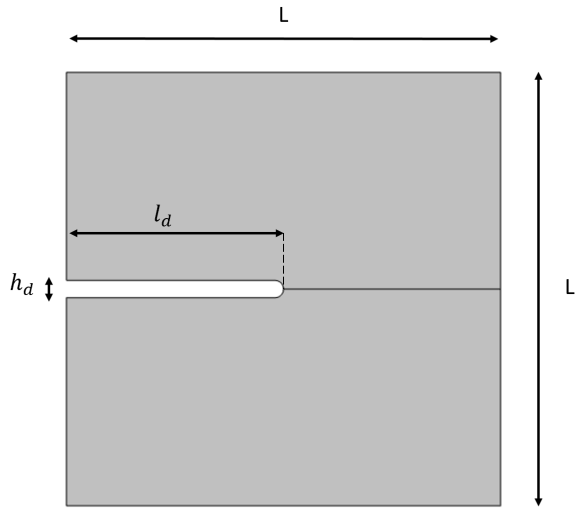

Figure 1: Model geometry.

The part size is L = 20 mm, and the defect is h_d = 0.4 mm wide and extends for l_d = 10 mm into the specimen.

The electrolyte is located on the left side of the metal part and a hydrogen influx is assigned on the boundary where the solid is in contact with it. The initial defect is also filled with electrolyte.

The solid is constrained on the bottom and right edges with a roller boundary condition. A prescribed displacement of 0.05 mm is applied on the top boundary to produce a state

of tensile stress and study its effect on hydrogen diffusion. Although not considered in this example, the symmetry about the xz-plane through the defect could be exploited to reduce the computational size.

The hydrogen diffusion is studied using the mass balance equation

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \Gamma + G$$

where c is the concentration (SI unit: mol/m^3), Γ is the molar flux, and G is a source term. Following Ref. 1, hydrogen can be present both in the interstitial metal lattice and in traps,

$$c = c_{\mathrm{l}} + \sum_i c_{\mathrm{t},\,i}$$

To study the diffusion of the hydrogen in the interstitial lattice, the mass balance equation is rewritten as follows,

$$\frac{\partial c_{\mathrm{l}}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \Gamma + G - \left(\frac{\partial c_{\mathrm{t},1}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial c_{\mathrm{t},2}}{\partial t}\right)$$

where only two trap types are considered. A relation between the trap and lattice concentration can be found assuming a low lattice occupancy, see Ref. 1 for details.

Both the concentration gradient (Fick's law) and the stress gradient drive the diffusion of hydrogen in the metal,

$$\Gamma = -D\nabla c_{\mathrm{l}} + \frac{D c_{\mathrm{l}} \Omega_{\mathrm{H}}}{RT} \nabla \sigma_{\mathrm{h}}$$

where D is the lattice diffusion coefficient, Ω_{H} is the partial molar volume of hydrogen, and $\sigma_{\mathrm{h}} = \frac{1}{3}\mathrm{tr}(\sigma)$ is the hydrostatic stress. The diffusion of hydrogen in the metal induces swelling strains that are modeled as linearly dependent on the concentration

$$\varepsilon_{sw} = \Omega_{\mathrm{H}}(c_{\mathrm{l}} - c_{\mathrm{l0}})$$

The electrolyte and the chemical reactions therein are not modeled explicitly; instead an approximation for the flux as a function of the pH and the electrolyte potential, V_{e}, is used (Ref. 1),

$$\begin{aligned} j = -\Gamma \cdot \mathbf{N} = \quad & (1-\theta)(k_{\mathrm{va}} c_{\mathrm{H}} \exp(-\alpha_{\mathrm{va}}\eta) + k_{\mathrm{vb}} \exp(-\alpha_{\mathrm{vb}}\eta)) \\ & -\theta(k_{\mathrm{ha}} c_{\mathrm{H}} \exp(-\alpha_{\mathrm{ha}}\eta) + k_{\mathrm{hb}} \exp(-\alpha_{\mathrm{hb}}\eta) + 2k_{\mathrm{T}}\theta) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\eta = \frac{(V_m - V_{eq} - V_e)F}{RT},$$

$$\theta = \frac{c_l}{\frac{k_a}{k_{ar}}(N - c_l) + c_l},$$

and

$$c_H = 10^{-pH+3}$$

The electrolyte parameters used in the influx expression are inspired from Ref. 1 and reported in Table 1.

TABLE 1: MODEL PARAMETERS.

Parameter	**Value**
Diffusion coefficient (D)	2E-9 m^2/s
Metal potential (V_m)	-0.5 V
Equilibrium potential (V_{eq})	0 V
Electrolyte potential (V_e)	-0.025 V
Hydrogen partial molar volume (Ω_H)	2E-6 m^3/mol
Temperature (T)	293.15 K
Volmer forward reaction coefficient, acid (α_{va})	0.48
Volmer forward reaction coefficient, basic (α_{vb})	0.48
Heyrovsky forward reaction coefficient, acid (α_{ha})	0.33
Heyrovsky forward reaction coefficient, basic (α_{hb})	0.33
Volmer forward reaction rate, acid (k_{va})	1E-4 m/s
Volmer forward reaction rate, basic (k_{vb})	1E-8 mol/m^2s
Heyrovsky forward reaction rate, acid (k_{ha})	1E-10 m/s
Heyrovsky forward reaction rate, basic (k_{hb})	9E-10 mol/m^2s
Tafel forward reaction rate (k_T)	1E-6 mol/m^2s
Absorption forward reaction rate (k_a)	1E5 m/s
Absorption backward reaction rate (k_{ar})	9E9 m/s
Lattice sites concentration (N)	1e6 mol/m^3
Trap 1 concentration (n_{t1})	2 mol/m^3

TABLE 1: MODEL PARAMETERS.

Parameter	Value
Trap 2 concentration (n_{t2})	1 mol/m^3
pH	13

Results and Discussion

Figure 2 shows the hydrogen concentration and flux after 2 hours. The concentration is higher at the sharp corner of the crack because of the greater area exposed to the electrolyte.

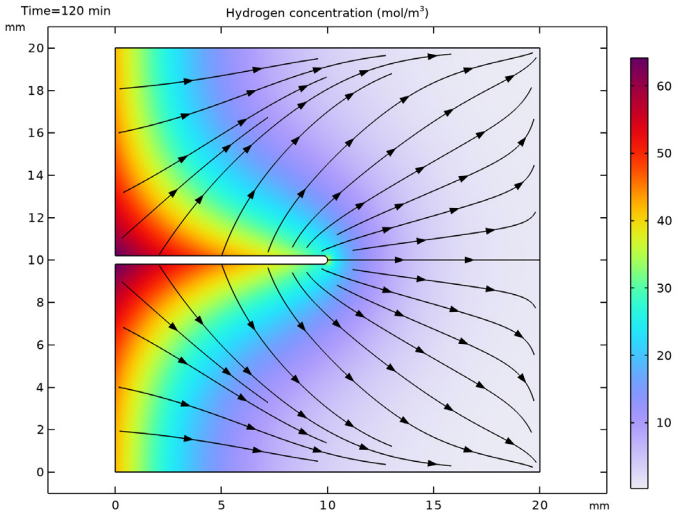

Figure 2: Hydrogen concentration and hydrogen flux after 2 hours.

Figure 3 shows the flux direction for the concentration-driven (red) and stress-driven (black) contribution to the total flux.

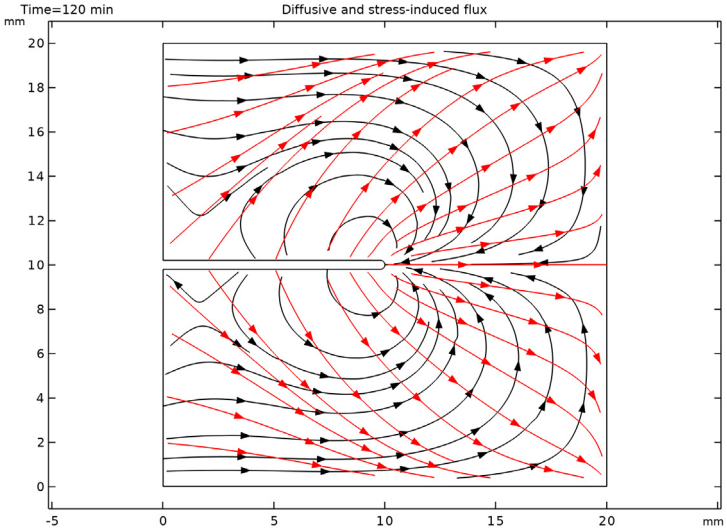

Figure 3: Streamline plot of the concentration-driven (red) and stress-driven (black) hydrogen flux.

The effect of the stress on hydrogen absorption can be seen in Figure 4. The figure compares the time evolution of the hydrogen concentration at the tip of the defect with

and without the stress contribution to the flux. The stress-induced flux increases the absorption of hydrogen.

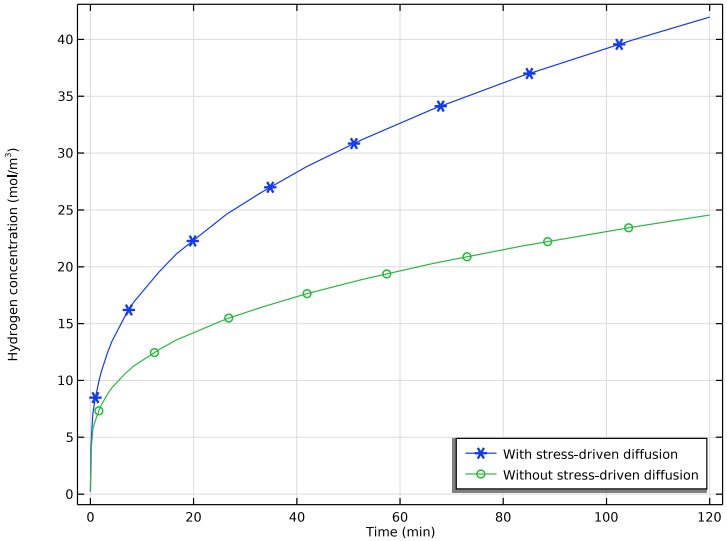

Figure 4: Hydrogen concentration with and without stress contribution to the diffusion flux at the tip of the defect.

The hydrogen concentration after 2 hours along the centerline of the metal sample is shown in Figure 5 for both cases.

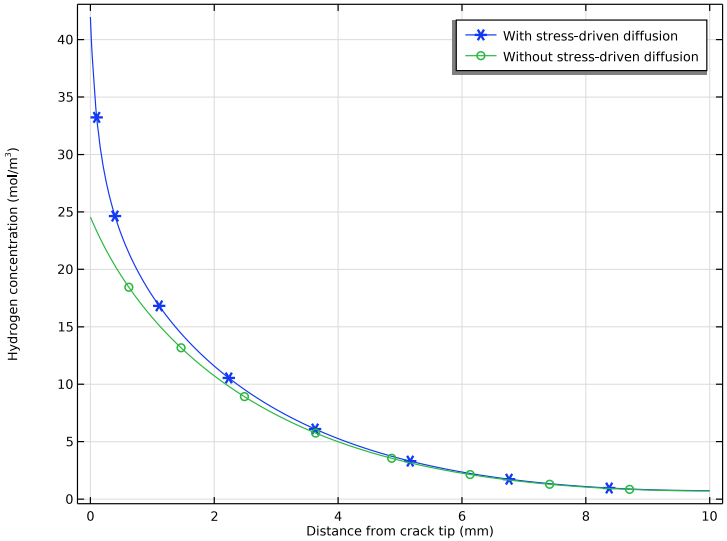

Figure 5: Hydrogen diffusion depth along the centerline of the specimen.

Figure 6 below shows the hydrostatic stress and stress-driven flux in the deformed configuration. There is a stress concentration at the crack tip, which enhances the hydrogen adsorption

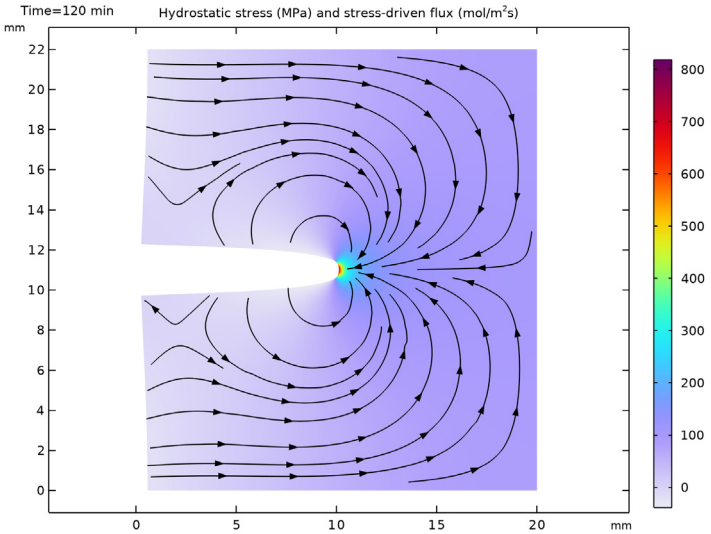

Figure 6: Hydrostatic stress and stress-driven hydrogen flux in the deformed configuration (100 times amplified).

Notes About the COMSOL Implementation

The two-way coupling is obtained with the **Shrinkage and Swelling** multiphysics coupling. It takes into account both the stress-driven diffusion and the swelling deformation due to hydrogen diffusion. If only the stress-driven diffusion effect is of interest, that is, a one-way coupling, a **Stress Migration** or an **External Flux** subnode to the **Solid** node in the Transport in Solids interface can be used.

Reference

1. T. Hageman and E. Martinez-Paneda, *An electro-chemo-mechanical framework for predicting hydrogen uptake in metals due to aqueous electrolytes*, Corrosion Science, vol. 208, 110681, 2022

Application Library path: `Structural_Mechanics_Module/Diffusion_in_Solids/hydrogen_diffusion`

Modeling Instructions

From the **File** menu, choose **New**.

NEW

In the **New** window, click **Model Wizard**.

MODEL WIZARD

1 In the **Model Wizard** window, click **2D**.

2 In the **Select Physics** tree, select **Structural Mechanics** > **Solid Mechanics (solid)**.

3 Click **Add**.

4 In the **Select Physics** tree, select **Chemical Species Transport** > **Transport in Solids (ts)**.

5 Click **Add**.

6 Click **Study**.

7 In the **Select Study** tree, select **General Studies** > **Time Dependent**.

8 Click **Done**.

GLOBAL DEFINITIONS

Geometric Parameters

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Global Definitions** click **Parameters 1**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Parameters**, locate the **Parameters** section.

3 In the table, enter the following settings:

Name	Expression	Value	Description
L	20[mm]	0.02 m	Domain size
Ld	10[mm]	0.01 m	Defect length
Hd	0.4[mm]	4E-4 m	Defect height

4 In the **Label** text field, type `Geometric Parameters`.

Model Parameters

1 In the **Home** toolbar, click **Parameters** and choose **Add** > **Parameters**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Parameters**, locate the **Parameters** section.

3 Click **Load from File**.

4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file `hydrogen_diffusion_parameters.txt`.

5 In the **Label** text field, type `Model Parameters`.

GEOMETRY 1

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Component 1 (comp1)** click **Geometry 1**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Geometry**, locate the **Units** section.

3 From the **Length unit** list, choose **mm**.

Metal Domain

1 In the **Geometry** toolbar, click **Square**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Square**, locate the **Size** section.

3 In the **Side length** text field, type `L`.

4 Click to expand the **Layers** section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Layer name	Thickness (mm)
`Layer 1`	`L/2`

5 In the **Label** text field, type `Metal Domain`.

Fracture

1 In the **Geometry** toolbar, click **Rectangle**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Rectangle**, locate the **Size and Shape** section.

3 In the **Width** text field, type `Ld`.

4 In the **Height** text field, type `Hd`.

5 Locate the **Position** section. In the **y** text field, type `(L-Hd)/2`.

6 In the **Label** text field, type `Fracture`.

Fracture Fillet

1 In the **Geometry** toolbar, click **Fillet**.

2 On the object **r1**, select Points 2 and 3 only.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Fillet**, locate the **Radius** section.

4 In the **Radius** text field, type `Hd/2`.

5 In the **Label** text field, type `Fracture Fillet`.

Remove Fracture

1 In the **Geometry** toolbar, click **Booleans and Partitions** and choose **Difference**.

2 Select the object **sq1** only.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Difference**, locate the **Difference** section.

4 Click to select the **Activate Selection** toggle button for **Objects to subtract**.

5 Select the object **fil1** only.

6 In the **Label** text field, type `Remove Fracture`.

7 Click **Build All Objects**.

ADD MATERIAL

1 In the **Materials** toolbar, click **Add Material** to open the **Add Material** window.

2 Go to the **Add Material** window.

3 In the tree, select **Built-in** > **Iron**.

4 Click the **Add to Component** button in the window toolbar.

5 In the **Materials** toolbar, click **Add Material** to close the **Add Material** window.

SOLID MECHANICS (SOLID)

Prescribed Displacement: Top

1 In the **Physics** toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose **Prescribed Displacement**.

2 Click the **Zoom Extents** button in the **Graphics** toolbar.

3 Select Boundary 6 only.

4 In the **Settings** window for **Prescribed Displacement**, locate the **Prescribed Displacement** section.

5 From the **Displacement in y direction** list, choose **Prescribed**.

6 In the u_{0y} text field, type `U0`.

7 In the **Label** text field, type `Prescribed Displacement: Top`.

Roller 1

1 In the **Physics** toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose **Roller**.

2 Select Boundaries 2, 8, and 9 only.

DEFINITIONS

Define an **Analytic** function for the trap contribution, see Ref. 1 for details.

Trap Contribution

1 In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **Analytic**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Analytic**, locate the **Definition** section.

3 In the **Expression** text field, type `(NT/N)*exp(Eb/(R_const*T0))/((1+(max(cl,0)/N)*exp(Eb/(R_const*T0)))^2)`.

4 In the **Arguments** text field, type `cl, NT, Eb`.

5 Locate the **Units** section. In the **Function** text field, type `1`.

6 In the table, enter the following settings:

Argument	Unit
cl	`mol/m^3`
NT	`mol/m^3`
Eb	`kJ/mol`

7 In the **Function name** text field, type `trapFun`.

8 In the **Label** text field, type `Trap Contribution`.

Variables 1

1 In the **Model Builder** window, right-click **Definitions** and choose **Variables**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Variables**, locate the **Variables** section.

3 Click **Load from File**.

4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file `hydrogen_diffusion_variables.txt`.

Influx Boundary Selection

1 In the **Definitions** toolbar, click **Explicit**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Explicit**, locate the **Input Entities** section.

3 From the **Geometric entity level** list, choose **Boundary**.

4 Select Boundaries 1, 3–5, 10, and 11 only.

5 In the **Label** text field, type `Influx Boundary Selection`.

TRANSPORT IN SOLIDS (TS)

Solid 1

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Component 1 (comp1)** > **Transport in Solids (ts)** click **Solid 1**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Solid**, locate the **Diffusion** section.

3 In the D_c text field, type `D`.

Source: Hydrogen Traps

1 In the **Physics** toolbar, click **Domains** and choose **Source**.

2 Click in the **Graphics** window and then press Ctrl+A to select both domains.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Source**, locate the **Sources** section.

4 In the S_c text field, type `-srcCoeff*cTIME`.

5 In the **Label** text field, type `Source: Hydrogen Traps`.

Flux 1

1 In the **Physics** toolbar, click **Boundaries** and choose **Flux**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Flux**, locate the **Boundary Selection** section.

3 From the **Selection** list, choose **Influx Boundary Selection**.

4 Locate the **Inward Flux** section. In the $\gamma_{0,c}$ text field, type `J_influx`.

MULTIPHYSICS

Shrinkage and Swelling 1 (sas1)

1 In the **Physics** toolbar, click **Multiphysics Couplings** and choose **Domain** > **Shrinkage and Swelling**.

2 Click in the **Graphics** window and then press Ctrl+A to select both domains.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Shrinkage and Swelling**, locate the **Shrinkage and Swelling Properties** section.

4 Find the **Species c** subsection. In the Ω_{Vc} text field, type `OmegaH`.

MESH 1

Due to symmetry, you can mesh half the geometry and use the **Copy Domain** node to copy the mesh to the other half.

Free Quad 1

1 In the **Mesh** toolbar, click **Free Quad**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Free Quad**, locate the **Domain Selection** section.

3 From the **Geometric entity level** list, choose **Domain**.

4 Select Domain 2 only.

Distribution 1

1 Right-click **Free Quad 1** and choose **Distribution**.

2 Select Boundary 5 only.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Distribution**, locate the **Distribution** section.

4 From the **Distribution type** list, choose **Predefined**.

5 In the **Number of elements** text field, type 40.

6 In the **Element ratio** text field, type 2.

Distribution 2

1 In the **Model Builder** window, right-click **Free Quad 1** and choose **Distribution**.

2 Select Boundary 7 only.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Distribution**, locate the **Distribution** section.

4 From the **Distribution type** list, choose **Predefined**.

5 In the **Number of elements** text field, type 60.

6 In the **Element ratio** text field, type 10.

7 From the **Growth rate** list, choose **Exponential**.

Size

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Component 1 (comp1)** > **Mesh 1** click **Size**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Size**, locate the **Element Size** section.

3 From the **Predefined** list, choose **Extra fine**.

Copy Domain 1

1 In the **Model Builder** window, right-click **Mesh 1** and choose **Copying Operations** > **Copy Domain**.

2 Select Domain 2 only.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Copy Domain**, locate the **Destination Domains** section.

4 Click to select the **Activate Selection** toggle button.

5 Select Domain 1 only.

6 Click **Build All**.

STUDY 1

Step 1: Time Dependent

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Study 1** click **Step 1: Time Dependent**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Time Dependent**, locate the **Study Settings** section.

3 From the **Time unit** list, choose **min**.

4 In the **Output times** text field, type `0 10^{range(log10(1/60),1/10,log10(120))} 120`.

5 In the **Model Builder** window, click **Study 1**.

6 In the **Settings** window for **Study**, type `Study 1, Coupled` in the **Label** text field.

7 In the **Study** toolbar, click **Compute**.

COMPONENT 1 (COMP1)

Add another time dependent study in which you disable the chemomechanical coupling.

ADD STUDY

1 In the **Study** toolbar, click **Add Study** to open the **Add Study** window.

2 Go to the **Add Study** window.

3 Find the **Studies** subsection. In the **Select Study** tree, select **General Studies** > **Time Dependent**.

4 Click the **Add Study** button in the window toolbar.

STUDY 2, UNCOUPLED

1 In the **Settings** window for **Study**, type `Study 2, Uncoupled` in the **Label** text field.

2 Locate the **Study Settings** section. Clear the **Generate default plots** checkbox.

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Study 2, Uncoupled** click **Step 1: Time Dependent**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Time Dependent**, locate the **Study Settings** section.

3 From the **Time unit** list, choose **min**.

4 In the **Output times** text field, type `0 10^{range(log10(1/60),1/10,log10(120))} 120`.

5 Locate the **Physics and Variables Selection** section. In the **Solve for** column of the table, under **Component 1 (comp1)** > **Multiphysics**, clear the checkbox for **Shrinkage and Swelling 1 (sas1)**.

6 In the **Study** toolbar, click **Compute**.

RESULTS

Modify the default stress plot to show the hydrostatic stress and the stress-driven hydrogen flux.

Hydrostatic Stress

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Results** click **Stress (solid)**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **2D Plot Group**, type `Hydrostatic Stress` in the **Label** text field.

3 Click to expand the **Title** section. From the **Title type** list, choose **Manual**.

4 In the **Title** text area, type `Hydrostatic stress (MPa) and stress-driven flux (mol/m<sup>2</sup>s)`.

5 In the **Parameter indicator** text field, type `Time=eval(t,min) min`.

6 Locate the **Plot Settings** section. Clear the **Plot dataset edges** checkbox.

Surface 1

1 In the **Model Builder** window, expand the **Hydrostatic Stress** node, then click **Surface 1**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Surface**, locate the **Expression** section.

3 In the **Expression** text field, type `-solid.pm`.

4 From the **Unit** list, choose **MPa**.

Deformation

1 In the **Model Builder** window, expand the **Surface 1** node, then click **Deformation**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Deformation**, locate the **Scale** section.

3 Select the **Scale factor** checkbox. In the associated text field, type `100`.

Streamline 1

1 In the **Model Builder** window, right-click **Hydrostatic Stress** and choose **Streamline**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Streamline**, click **Replace Expression** in the upper-right corner of the **Expression** section. From the menu, choose **Component 1 (comp1)** > **Transport in Solids** > **Species c** > **Fluxes** > **sas1.sflux_cx,sas1.sflux_cy - Stress-driven flux (spatial frame)**.

3 In the **Hydrostatic Stress** toolbar, click **Plot**.

4 Locate the **Streamline Positioning** section. From the **Positioning** list, choose **Uniform density**.

5 Locate the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Point style** subsection. From the **Type** list, choose **Arrow**.

6 Click to expand the **Inherit Style** section. From the **Plot** list, choose **Surface 1**.

Deformation 1

1 Right-click **Streamline 1** and choose **Deformation**.

2 In the **Hydrostatic Stress** toolbar, click **Plot**.

Concentration

1 In the **Model Builder** window, under **Results** click **Transported Quantity (ts)**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **2D Plot Group**, locate the **Title** section.

3 From the **Title type** list, choose **Manual**.

4 In the **Title** text area, type `Hydrogen concentration (mol/m<sup>3</sup>)`.

5 In the **Parameter indicator** text field, type `Time=eval(t,min) min`.

6 In the **Label** text field, type `Concentration`.

Surface 1

1 In the **Model Builder** window, expand the **Concentration** node, then click **Surface 1**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Surface**, locate the **Coloring and Style** section.

3 From the **Color table** list, choose **Prism**.

Streamline 1

The total flux is the sum of the diffusive and the stress-induced contributions.

1 In the **Model Builder** window, click **Streamline 1**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Streamline**, locate the **Expression** section.

3 In the **X-component** text field, type `ts.dflux_cx+sas1.sflux_cx`.

4 In the **Y-component** text field, type `ts.dflux_cy+sas1.sflux_cy`.

5 Locate the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Point style** subsection. From the **Color** list, choose **Black**.

6 From the **Arrow length** list, choose **Normalized**.

7 Locate the **Inherit Style** section. From the **Plot** list, choose **Surface 1**.

8 In the **Concentration** toolbar, click **Plot**.

Diffusive and Stress-Induced Flux

Add a plot to visualize the concentration-driven and stress-driven hydrogen flux.

1 In the **Results** toolbar, click **2D Plot Group**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **2D Plot Group**, locate the **Title** section.

3 From the **Title type** list, choose **Manual**.

4 In the **Title** text area, type `Diffusive and stress-induced flux`.

5 In the **Parameter indicator** text field, type `Time=eval(t,min) min`.

6 In the **Label** text field, type `Diffusive and Stress-Induced Flux`.

Streamline 1

1 Right-click **Diffusive and Stress-Induced Flux** and choose **Streamline**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Streamline**, locate the **Expression** section.

3 In the **X-component** text field, type `sas1.sflux_cx`.

4 In the **Y-component** text field, type `sas1.sflux_cy`.

5 Locate the **Streamline Positioning** section. From the **Positioning** list, choose **Uniform density**.

6 Locate the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Point style** subsection. From the **Type** list, choose **Arrow**.

Streamline 2

1 Right-click **Streamline 1** and choose **Duplicate**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Streamline**, locate the **Expression** section.

3 In the **X-component** text field, type `ts.dflux_cx`.

4 In the **Y-component** text field, type `ts.dflux_cy`.

5 Locate the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Point style** subsection. From the **Color** list, choose **Red**.

6 In the **Diffusive and Stress-Induced Flux** toolbar, click **Plot**.

7 Click the **Zoom Extents** button in the **Graphics** toolbar.

Hydrogen Concentration in Metal

Add a plot to visualize the hydrogen concentration along the centerline of the solid with and without considering stress-driven diffusion.

1 In the **Results** toolbar, click **1D Plot Group**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **1D Plot Group**, locate the **Data** section.

3 From the **Time selection** list, choose **Last**.

4 Click to expand the **Title** section. From the **Title type** list, choose **None**.

5 Locate the **Plot Settings** section.

6 Select the **x-axis label** checkbox. In the associated text field, type `Distance from crack tip (mm)`.

7 Select the **y-axis label** checkbox. In the associated text field, type `Hydrogen concentration (mol/m<sup>3</sup>)`.

8 In the **Label** text field, type `Hydrogen Concentration in Metal`.

Line Graph 1

1 Right-click **Hydrogen Concentration in Metal** and choose **Line Graph**.

2 Select Boundary 7 only.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Line Graph**, locate the **y-Axis Data** section.

4 In the **Expression** text field, type `c`.

5 Click to expand the **Legends** section. Select the **Show legends** checkbox.

6 From the **Legends** list, choose **Manual**.

7 In the table, enter the following settings:

Legends
`With stress-driven diffusion`

8 Click to expand the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Line markers** subsection. From the **Marker** list, choose **Cycle**.

9 From the **Positioning** list, choose **Interpolated**.

Line Graph 2

1 Right-click **Line Graph 1** and choose **Duplicate**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Line Graph**, locate the **Data** section.

3 From the **Dataset** list, choose **Study 2, Uncoupled/Solution 2 (sol2)**.

4 From the **Time selection** list, choose **Last**.

5 Locate the **Legends** section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Legends
`Without stress-driven diffusion`

6 In the **Hydrogen Concentration in Metal** toolbar, click **Plot**.

Hydrogen Concentration at Crack Tip

Add a plot to visualize the hydrogen concentration at the crack tip as a function of time.

1 In the **Results** toolbar, click **1D Plot Group**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **1D Plot Group**, locate the **Title** section.

3 From the **Title type** list, choose **None**.

4 Locate the **Plot Settings** section.

5 Select the **y-axis label** checkbox. In the associated text field, type `Hydrogen concentration (mol/m<sup>3</sup>)`.

6 In the **Label** text field, type `Hydrogen Concentration at Crack Tip`.

7 Locate the **Legend** section. From the **Position** list, choose **Lower right**.

Point Graph 1

1 Right-click **Hydrogen Concentration at Crack Tip** and choose **Point Graph**.

2 Select Point 7 only.

3 In the **Settings** window for **Point Graph**, locate the **y-Axis Data** section.

4 In the **Expression** text field, type `c`.

5 Click to expand the **Coloring and Style** section. Find the **Line markers** subsection. From the **Marker** list, choose **Cycle**.

6 From the **Positioning** list, choose **Interpolated**.

7 Click to expand the **Legends** section. Select the **Show legends** checkbox.

8 From the **Legends** list, choose **Manual**.

9 In the table, enter the following settings:

Legends
`With stress-driven diffusion`

Point Graph 2

1 Right-click **Point Graph 1** and choose **Duplicate**.

2 In the **Settings** window for **Point Graph**, locate the **Data** section.

3 From the **Dataset** list, choose **Study 2, Uncoupled/Solution 2 (sol2)**.

4 Locate the **Legends** section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Legends
`Without stress-driven diffusion`

5 In the **Hydrogen Concentration at Crack Tip** toolbar, click **Plot**.