



Autodesk Simulation Moldflow Adviser Essentials

Course Length: 3 days

In this training course, students learn features, functionalities and workflows in Autodesk Moldflow Adviser through hands-on exercises. Students learn how to become more efficient at evaluating digital prototypes, running analysis, and interpreting the results for all analysis types available in the Design, Manufacturing, and Advanced packages.

The topics in this training course include:

- Use of the interface and job manager
- Customize databases
- Complete Fill +Pack + Warp analysis
- Step through the general process used for analysis projects
- Learn to import, and check models from CAD systems
- · Check models for draft, thickness and undercuts
- Gate placement and uses of the gate location analysis
- Procedure to complete and interpret gate location analysis
- Procedure to complete and interpret molding window analysis
- Review part design guidelines
- Learn about analysis sequences (Fill, Cooling Quality & Sink Marks)
- Results visualization tools
- Cost Adviser tool
- Input parameters/result interpretation for filling, sink mark and cooling quality analyses

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- Review features and capabilities of Autodesk Moldflow Communicator
- Create MFR in Autodesk Moldflow Adviser
- · Create reports and review available formats
- Review and model typical gate and runner designs
- Review the importance and how to balance runner systems
- Review concepts of pack/hold for injection molds
- Review and interpret packing results
- Model cooling circuits with various cooling geometries
- Review concepts of cooling for injection molds
- Review and interpret cooling results
- Compare results when running different analyses

Prerequisites:

Prior mold analysis experience is not necessary.

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- Practice Quick Cool-Fill-Pack-Warp Analysis
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• Evaluation sheet - Quick-Cool-Fill-Pack-Warp Analysis

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- Clamp. Alternative material including cost
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