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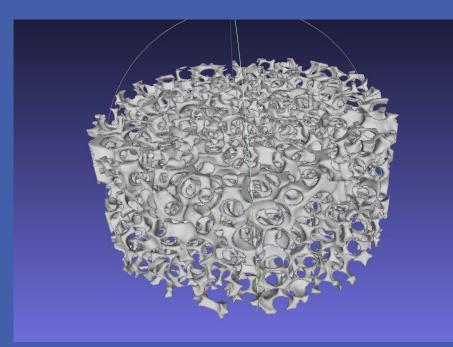




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Introduction

- Interesting thermomechanical properties of **ceramic foams** for heat recovery / storage / transport at **high temperatures**
- Need for the most relevant **modeling** from the point of view of **coupled heat transfer** (conduction, convection and radiation) on complex geometries
 - Better understanding and quantification of the physics involved
 Support for the geometric, textural and thermal optimization of ceramic foams
- Determination of **thermal and radiative properties** by **Flash method**. Coupled model in **conduction and radiation** with equivalent properties on a representative elementary volume **(REV)**



Practical experiment:

Thermogram obtained at high temperature from a flash method in practical conditions

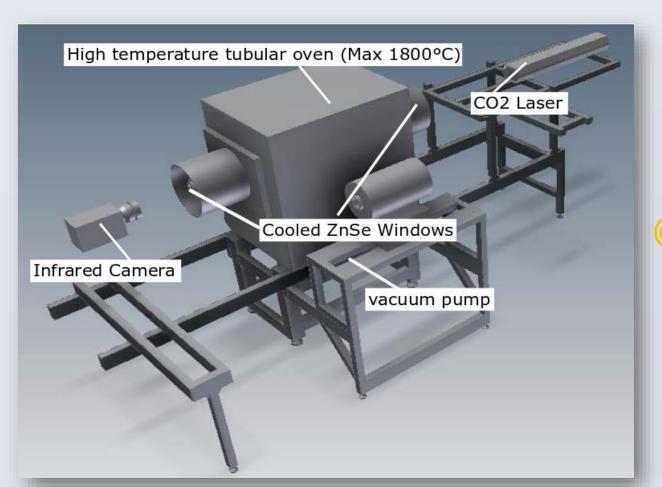
Numerical experiment:

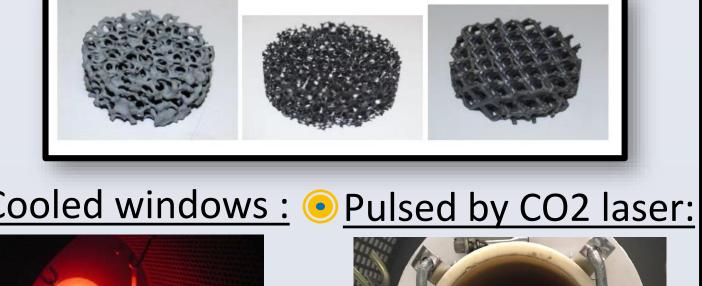
Thermogram obtained at high temperature from a numerical method with Monte-Carlo Method (MCM)

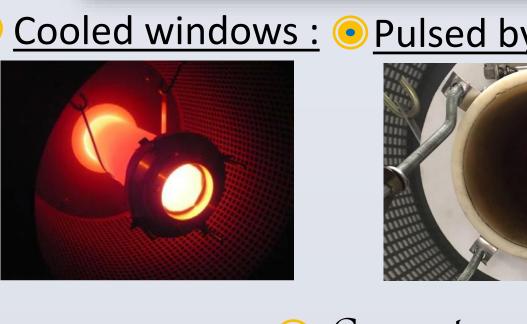
1.Practical Experimental Flash Method

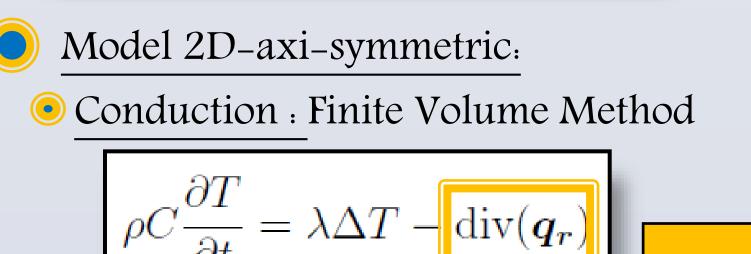
Measuring bench High Temperature :

Structured and stochastic foam :



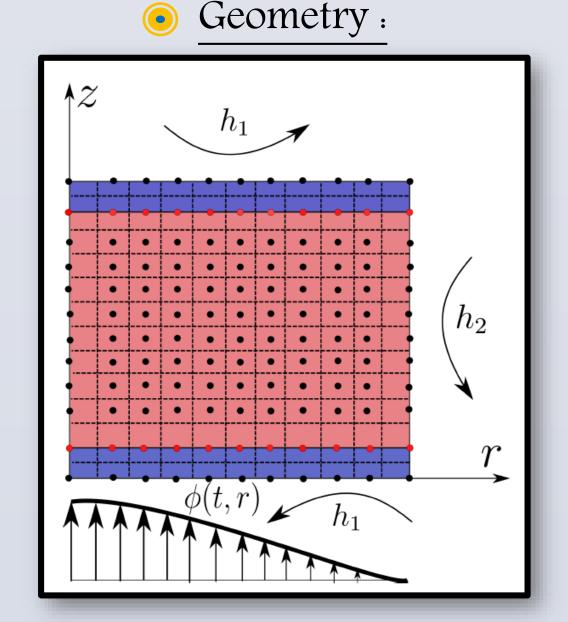


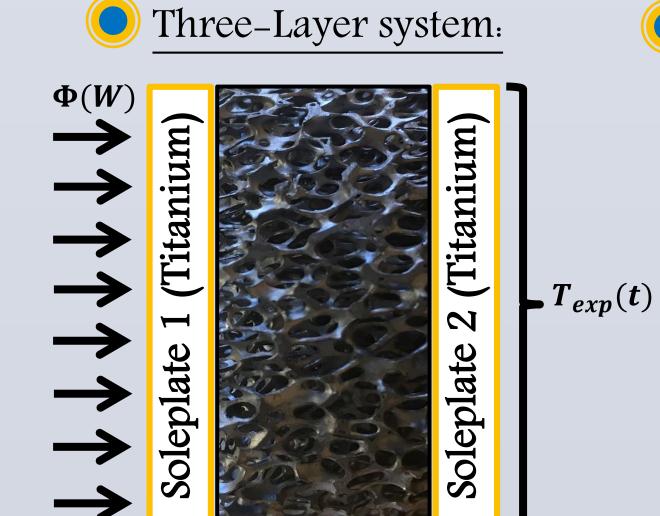




 $\frac{\partial t}{\text{Radiation : Optimized Reciprocity}}$ Monte-Carlo Method [1]

$$\operatorname{div}(\boldsymbol{q_r})_i^{ARM} = \sum_{i=0}^{N_{elem}} \int_{\nu_{min}}^{\nu_{max}} P_{ji,\nu}^{ea} \left(\frac{I_{\nu}^0(T_i, n_i)}{I_{\nu}^0(T_j, n_j)} - 1 \right) \, \mathrm{d}\nu$$





Inverse Method (Levenberg-Marquardt):
Characterization of equivalent diffusivity
and optical thickness

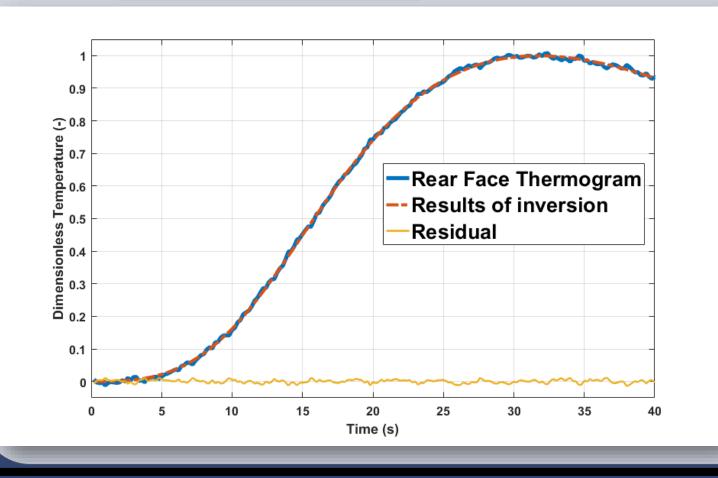
$$\beta = \left[\alpha h K \tau\right]$$

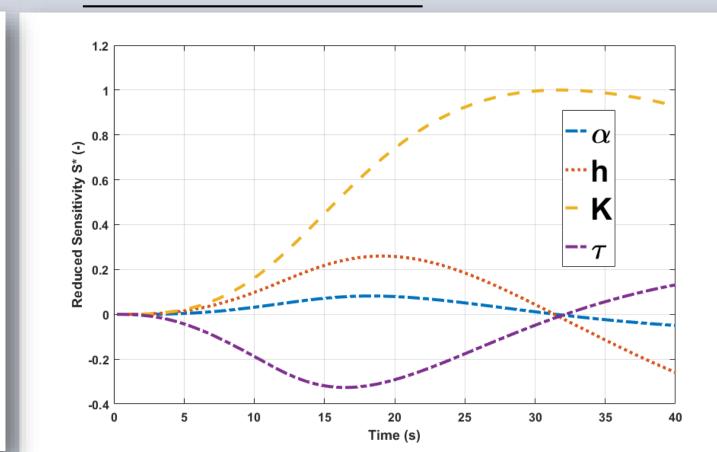
$$J(\beta) = \left\|T_{\text{exp}} - T_{\text{mod}}(\beta)\right\|^{2}$$

$$J'(\beta_{opt}) = 0$$

$$J'(\beta_{opt}) = \frac{\beta^{(k)} + M \cdot (y_{\text{exp}} - y_{\text{mod}}(\beta^{(k)}))}{2}$$

Results: structured foam (Kelvin-Cell pore diameter 7.5mm 800°C SiSiC)
Characterization: flat residual
Sensibility Analysis: no correlation





2.Numerical Experiment Flash Method

Algorithm Monte-Carlo Conduction and radiative transfer [2]:

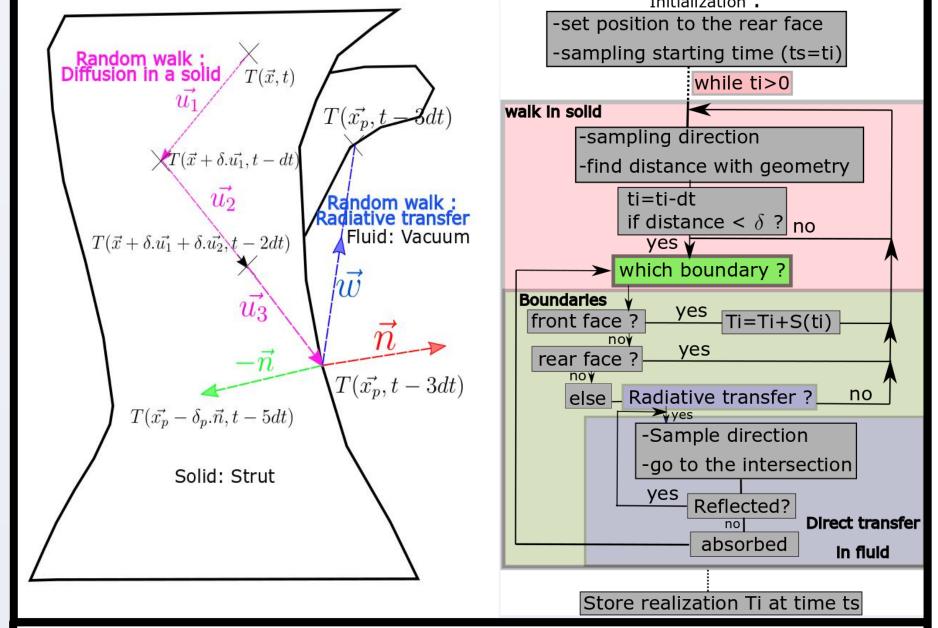


 \odot Compute Temperature T(t)

 \bullet Imposed moving step δ

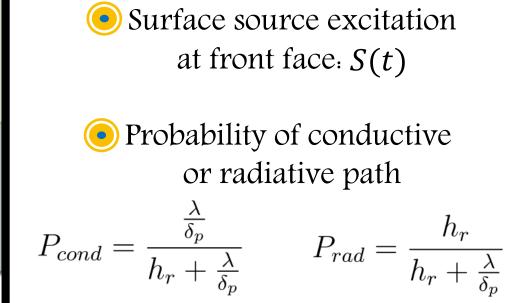
• Recursive in time:

at the rear face



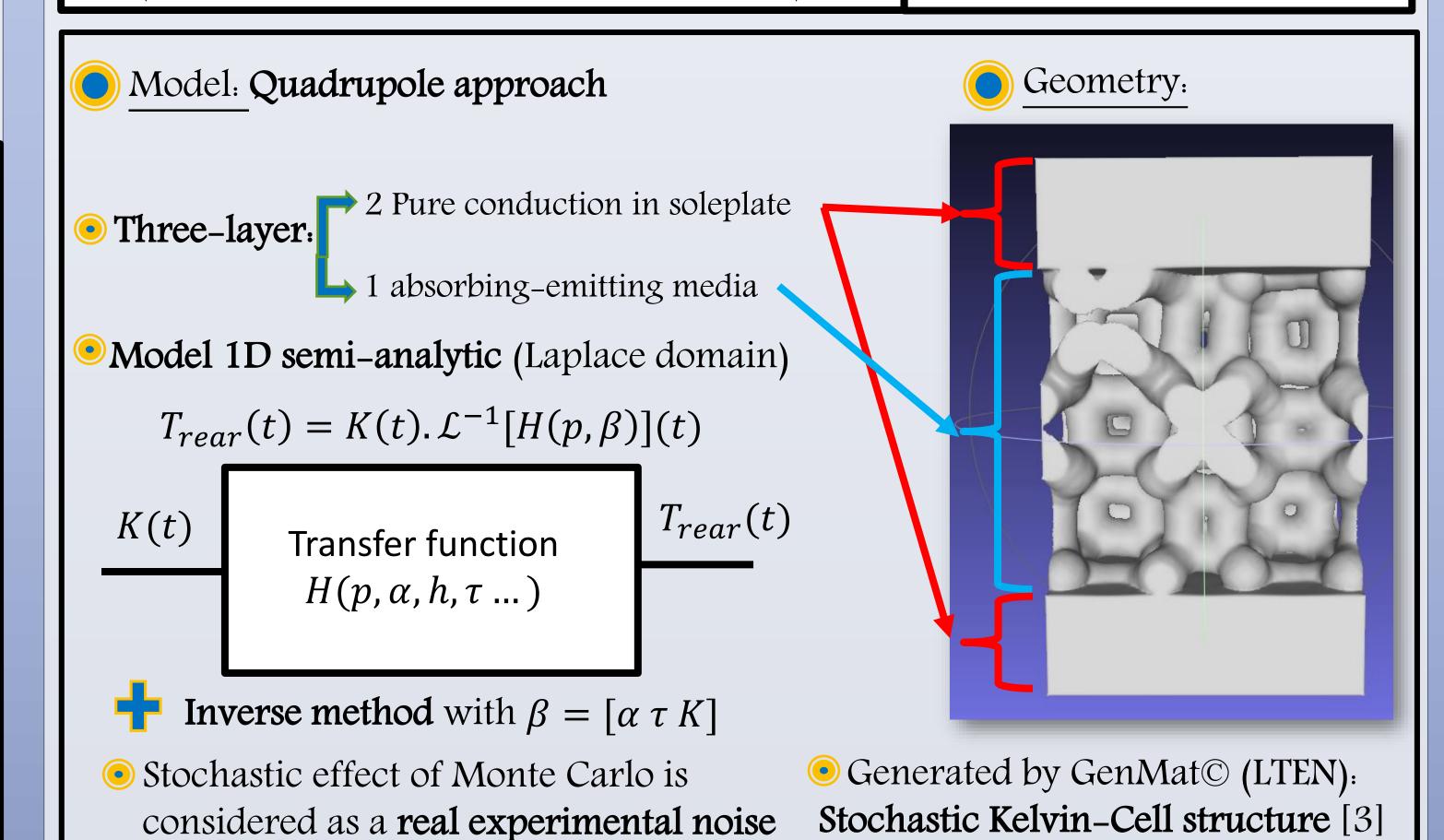
Value of the temperature at t_j : $\overline{T}(\vec{x}, t_j) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} T_i(\vec{x}, t_j)$

Fast computation of intersections between the paths and the surface mesh. Star-Engine library (https://www.meso-star.com/projects/star-engine.html)

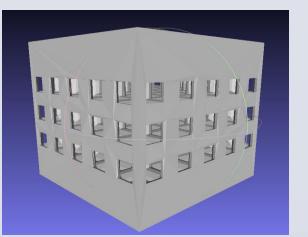


 $n_r + \overline{\delta_p}$ $n_r + \overline{\delta_p}$ Probability of reflection/absorption: $R_{
ho} <
ho$

Transfer along \vec{z} direction Periodicity boundaries for \vec{x} and \vec{y}



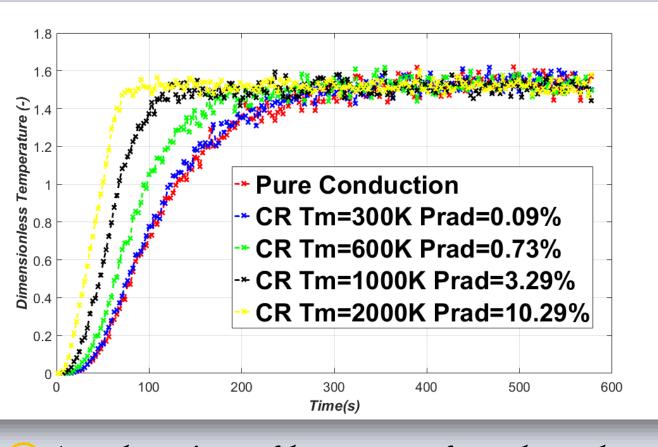
Effect of radiative transfer on a cubic structured foam with cylindrical struts $d_{struts} = 0.1 \ mm \ \epsilon = 0.75\%$



Result of the inversion:

Estimation of both equivalent diffusivity and optical thickness α_{eq}

 $\frac{\alpha_{eq}}{\alpha_{bulk}} = 0.46$ $\tau_{eq} = 1.89$



Rear Face MMC Cond Rad
Residual
Quadrupole Estimation

100
200
300
400
500
600
Time(s)

 Acceleration of heat transfer when the radiation increases

Good fit with flat residual

Conclusion and prospect

- 1. Possibility to characterize the equivalent conductive and radiative behavior at high temperature. Other experiments with different ceramics (ZrO2, Al2O3 ...) and different textural properties are planned.
- 2. First encouraging results. Next step, influence of various parameters on the thermogram (possible bias, CPU-time, ...). Impact of the geometry on the equivalent parameter. Computation with stochastic foams generated by GenMat and with real tomographic mesh.

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