

# Czochralski Growth of Ge Computed by Using the Finite Element Tool Elmer

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# Outline

- Some introduction:  
From Sand (of the desert) towards quantum dots  
Crystal Growth
- Motivation: Ge crystals for detectors
- Experiment & Simulations setup
- Solving strategy
- Elmer
- Results & Discussion
- Conclusions

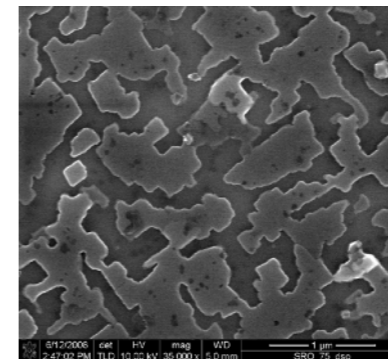


# Crystal Growth IKZ

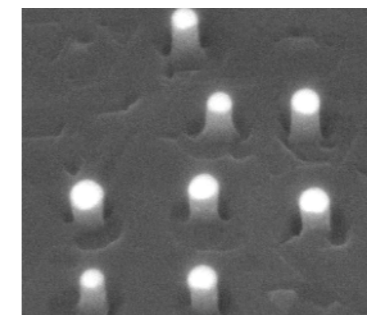
- Bulk crystal growth  
substrates  
bulk for optics (laser, lenses ...)



- Epitaxial / thin film growth



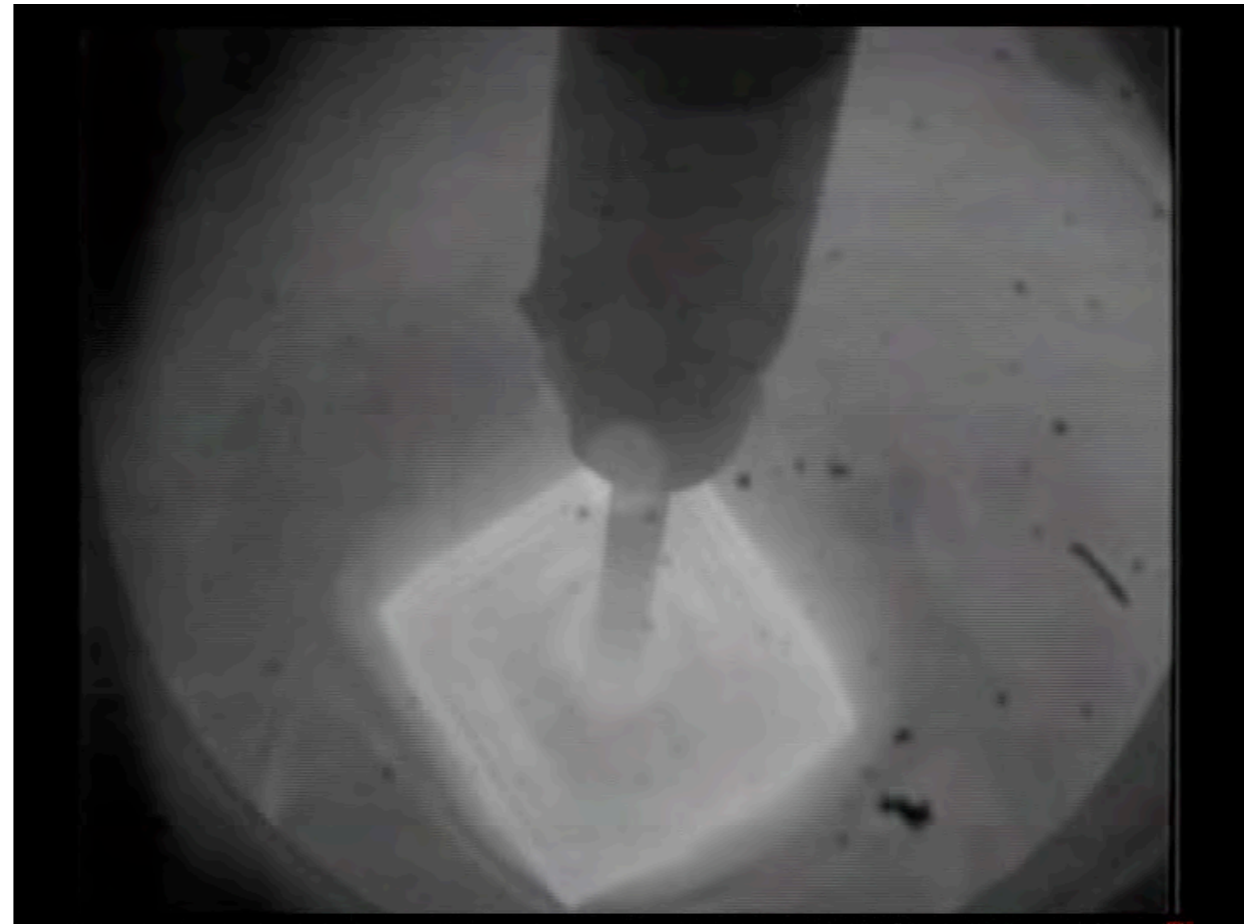
- Growth of nanostructures



# Czochralski Growth of Silicon



Siltronic AG, Burghausen

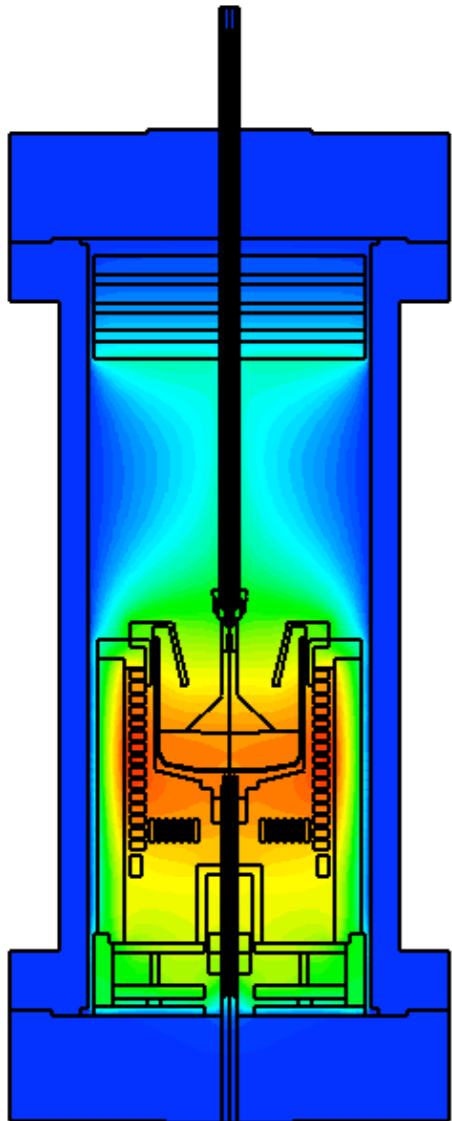


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# Numerical Modelling

Global 2.5 D

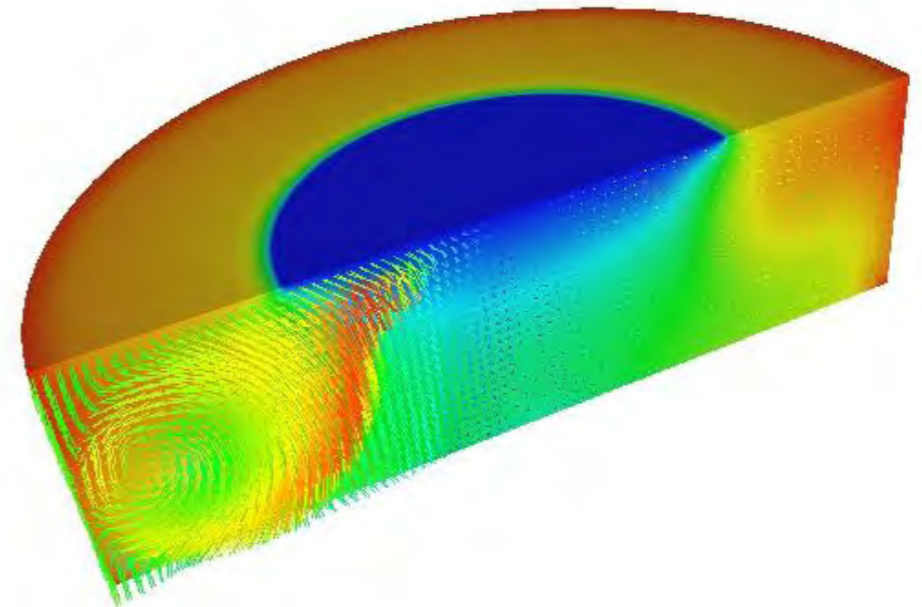


Transfer  
thermal  
data



temperature  
heat flux

Local 3D



# Ge Crystals for Detectors

Projects Gerda & Legend

Aim: find neutrinoless beta decay  $^{76}\text{Ge} \rightarrow ^{76}\text{Se}$

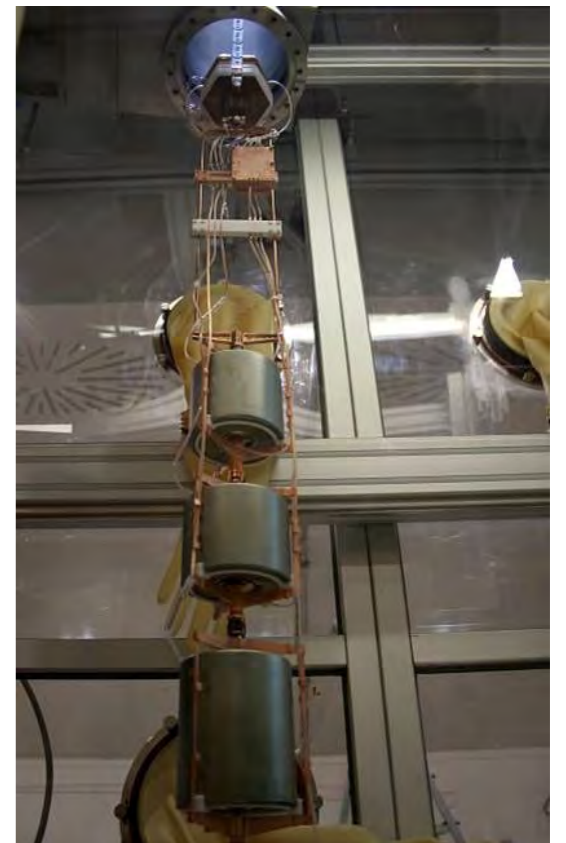


absolute mass of Neutrinos

Experiment at  
Gran Sasso

30 kg Ge

200 kg  
scheduled



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# Ge Crystals

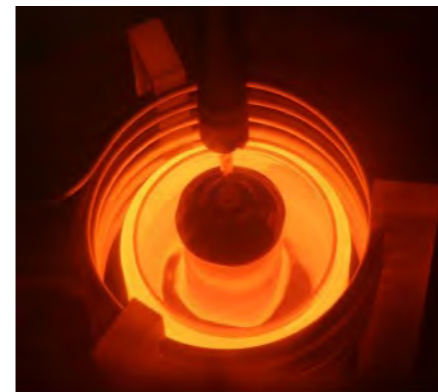
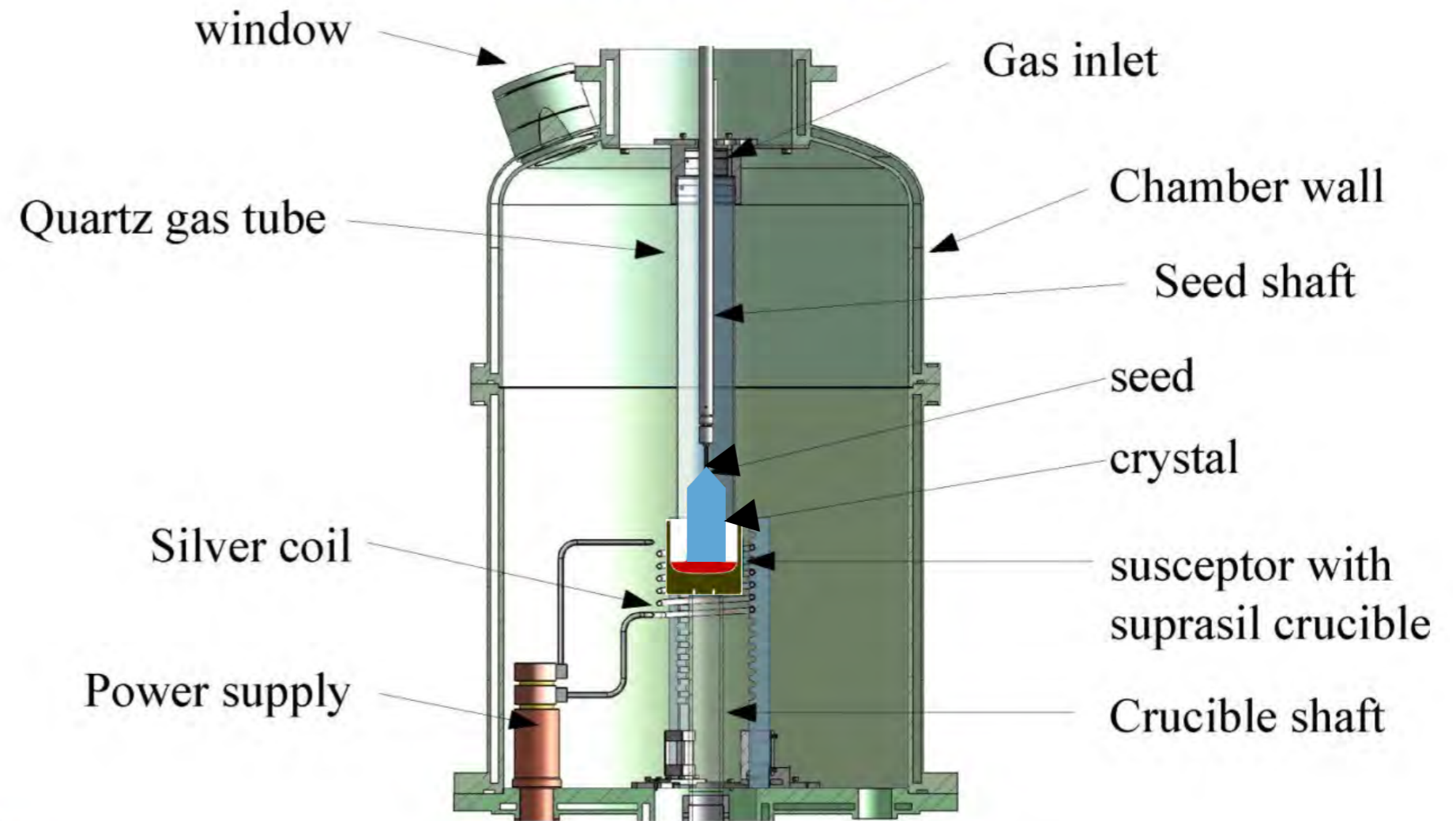
Ge is target and detector

- single crystal
- high resistivity, which means extreme purity
- low density of dislocations (structural defects)

⇒ crystals are grown by Czochralski method with inductive heating

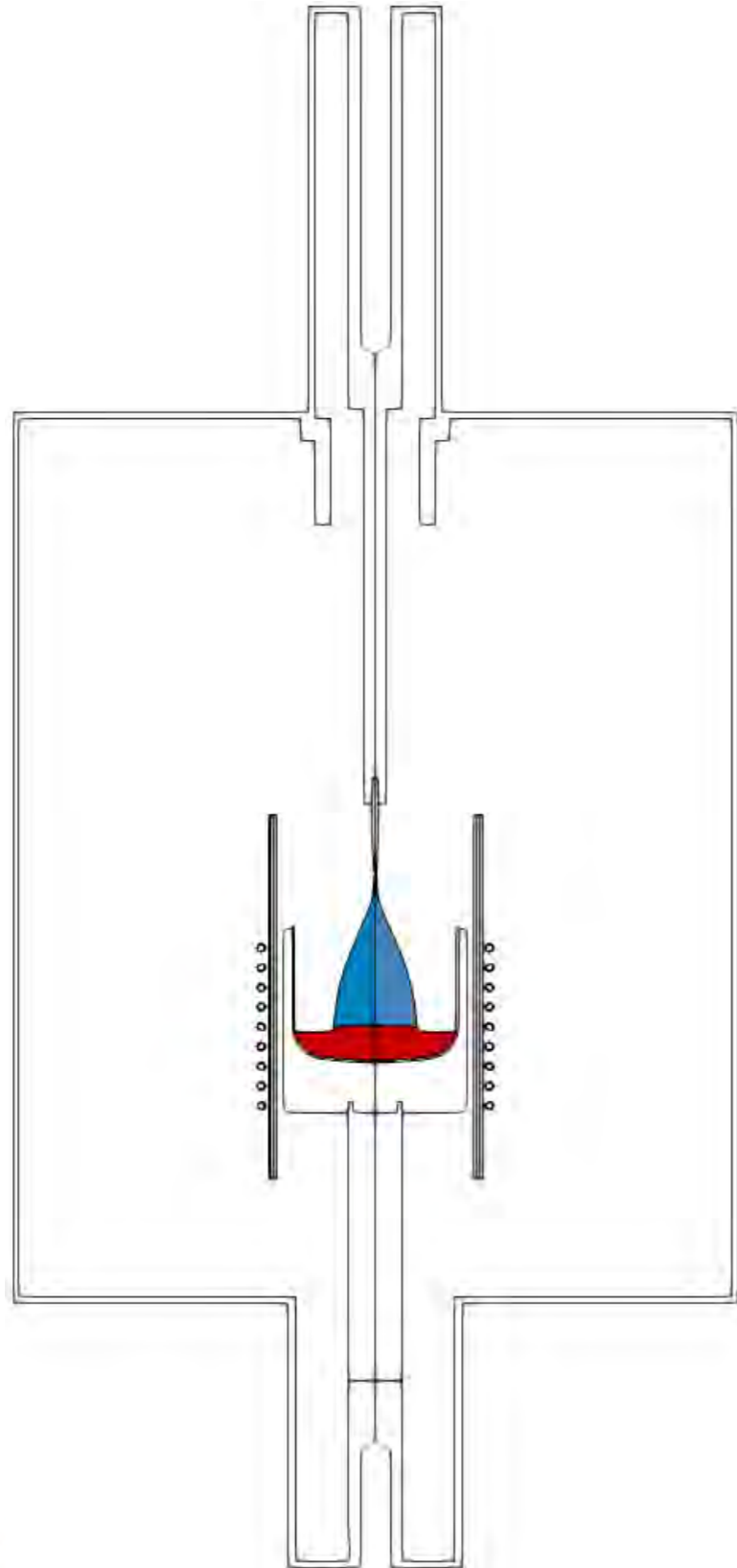


# Ge Crystals by Czochralski Growth



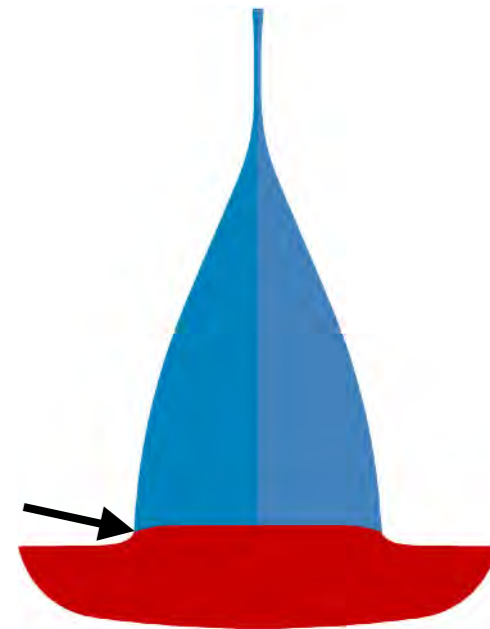


# Simulation Setup: Physics



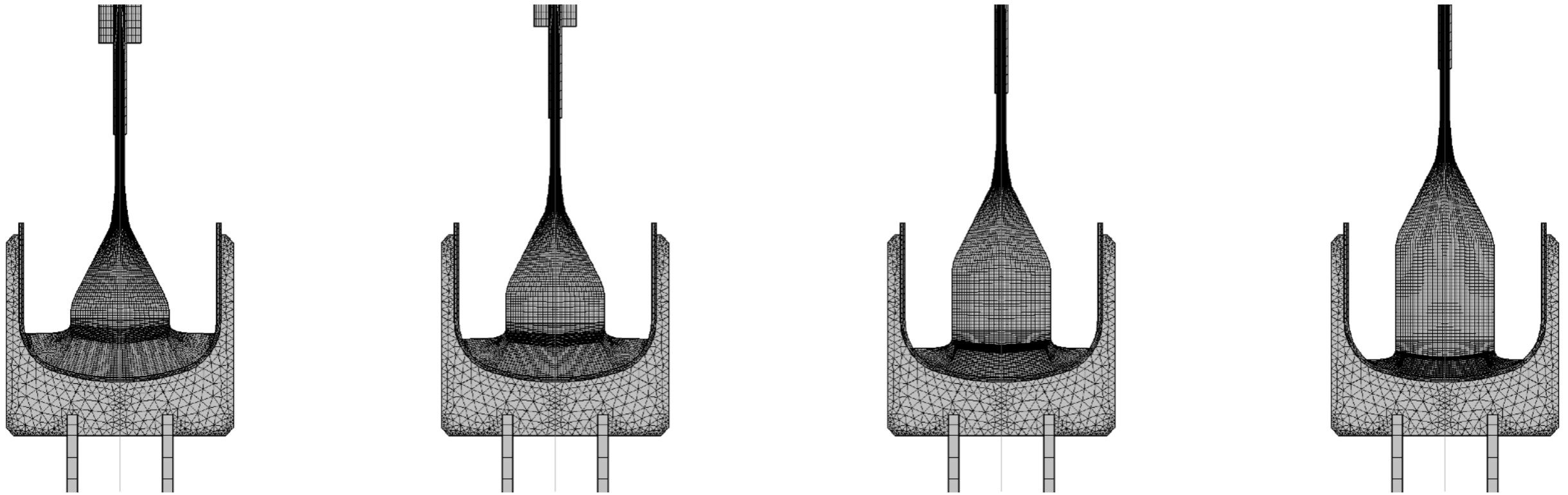
## axi-symmetric calculations

- Temperature
  - heat conduction
  - radiation
  - melt convection
  - (gas convection)
  - ▶ inductive heating control by  $T_M$  @ 3PP
  - ▶ solid/melt interface
    - release of latent heat
    - shape
- Stress
  - thermal stress in crystal



# Simulation Setup: Process

$$v_{\text{pull}} = 0.5 \text{ mm/min}$$

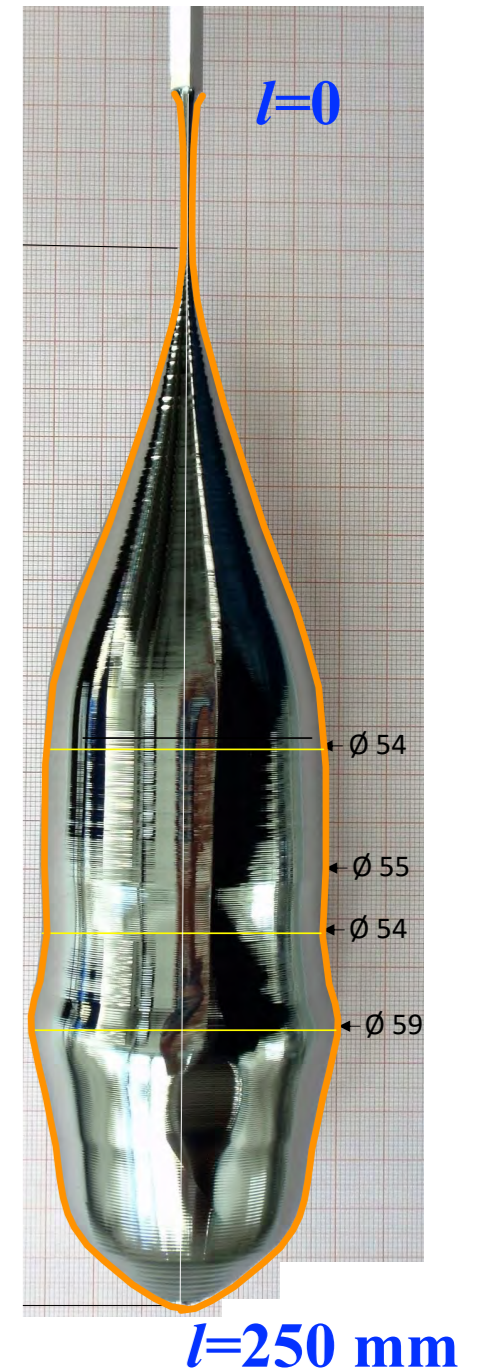


- a) Fully transient calculation (with mesh squeezing and elongation)
- b) Series of steady-state simulations



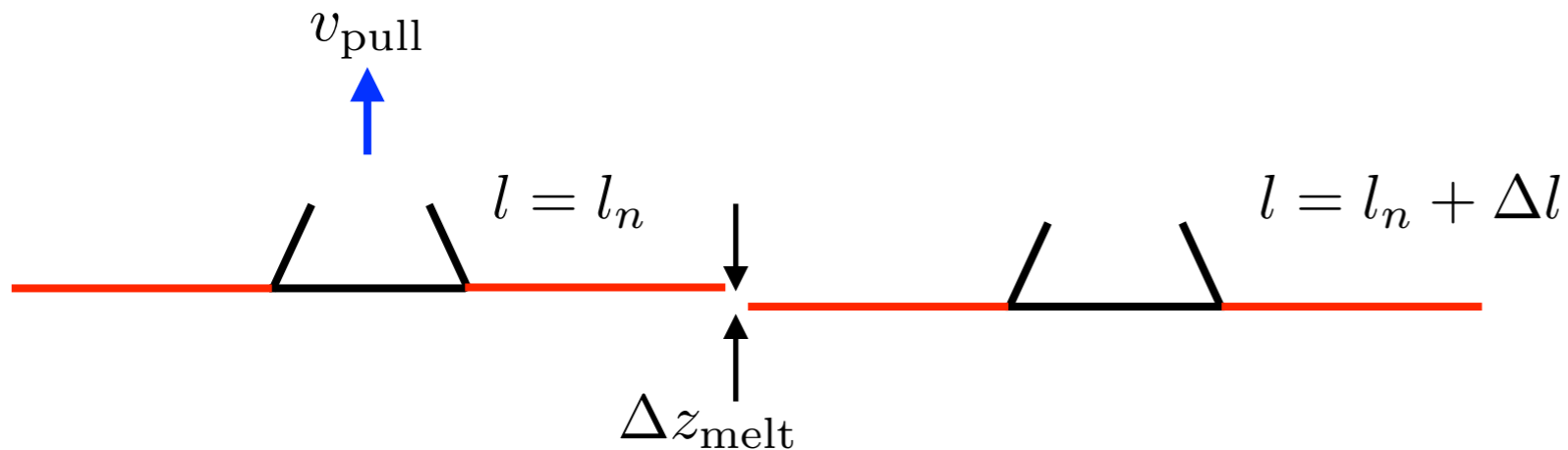
# Solving Strategy

- Crystal Shape given
  - a) from experiment
  - b) as given input



# Solving Strategy

- Perl Script:
  - From  $l=0$  in steps of  $\Delta l$ 
    - ⇒ compute melt height and  $v_n$



$$\Delta l = \Delta z_{\text{melt}} + v_{\text{pull}} \Delta t$$

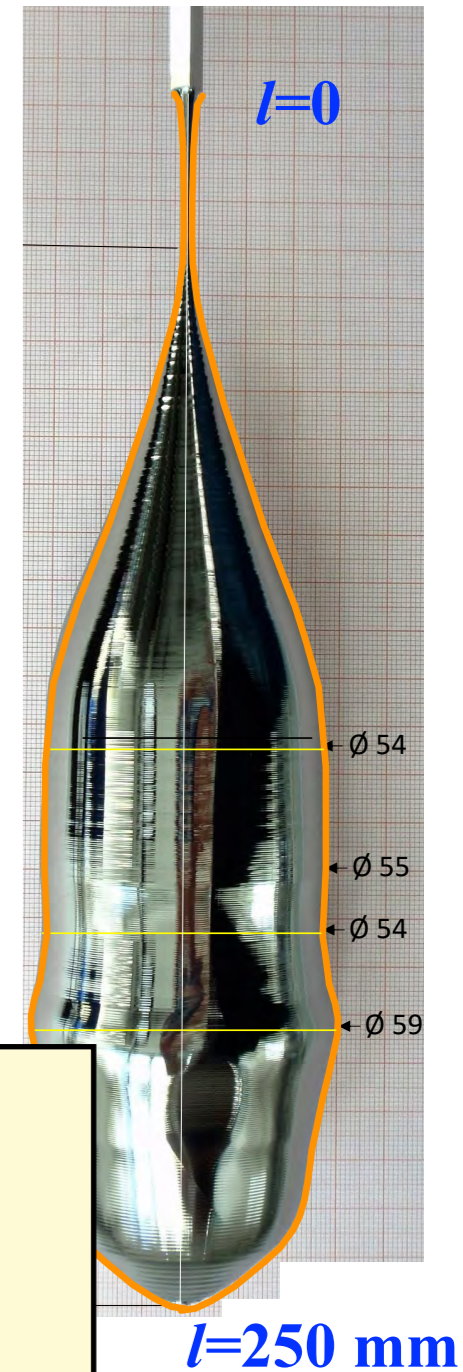
fixed                      computed                      fixed

$$v_n = \frac{\Delta l}{\Delta t}$$

heat flux  
into  
crystal

$$q = v_n \Delta H$$

latent heat



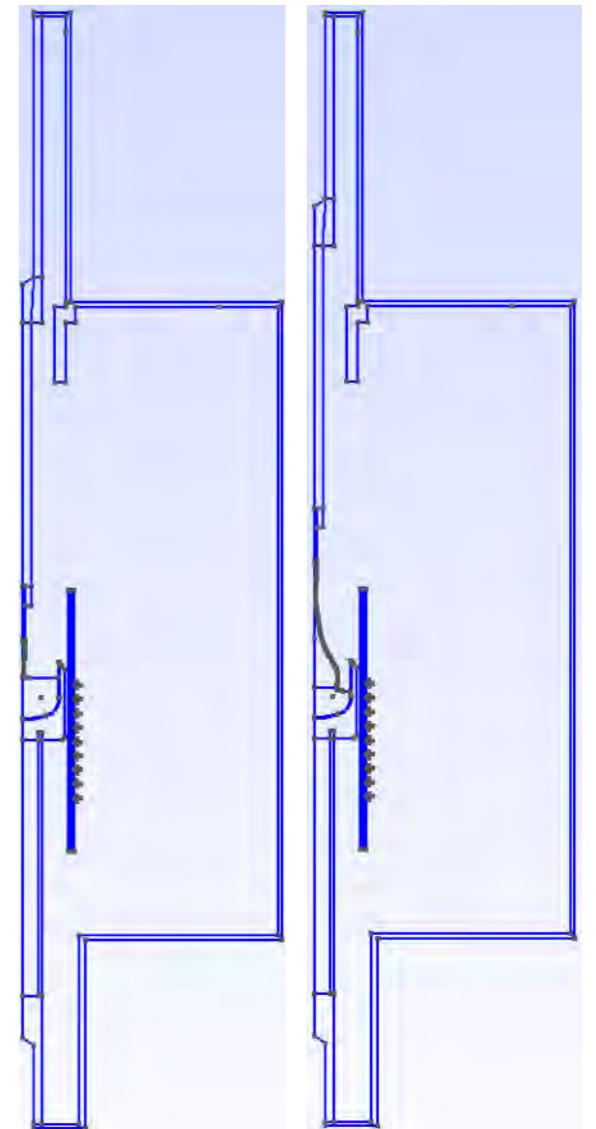
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      - ✗ computation by Elmer
      - ✗ visualisation by Paraview



# Elmer

- FEM multiphysical simulation software
- Developed at CSC, Espoo (Finland) since 1995
- Since 2005 open source
- written in FORTRAN
- Uses MATC for mathematical expressions

<https://www.csc.fi/web/elmer>

<http://www.elmerfem.org/>



```
!!! melt  
Equation 2  
  Active Solvers(6) = 1 2 3 9 7 8  
End
```

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Solver 3  
Equation = Heat Equation  
  
Procedure = "HeatSolve" "HeatSolver"  
Variable = -dofs 1 Temperature
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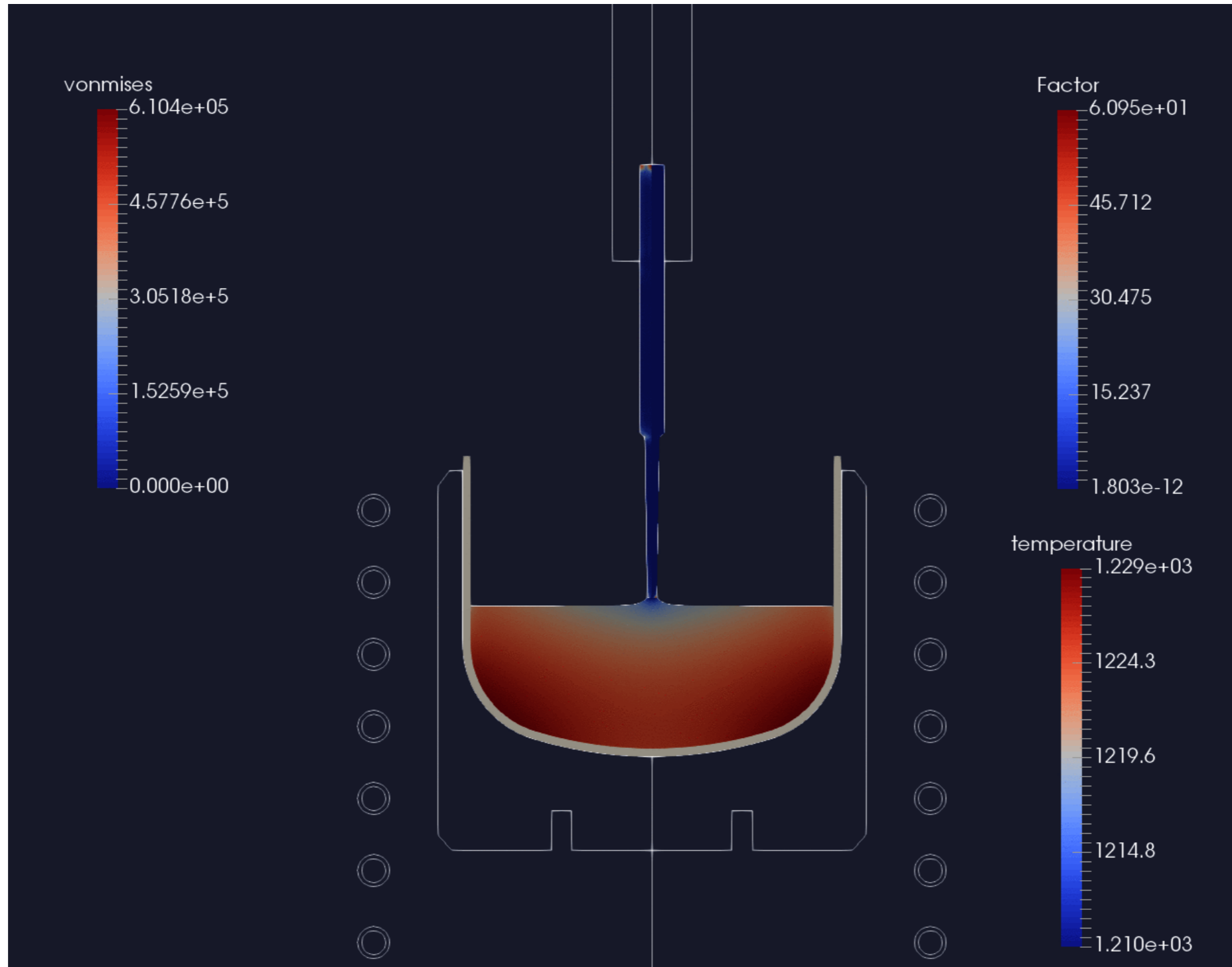
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Temperature Convection Field = Flow Solution Melt [Velocitymelt:3 Pressuremelt:1]
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End
```





# Result RGZ 39



# Melt Convection

Steady state solver

$$\mu = 7.44 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Pa s}$$

Real viscosity

Choosing larger one (finally  $\mu = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Pa s}$  )

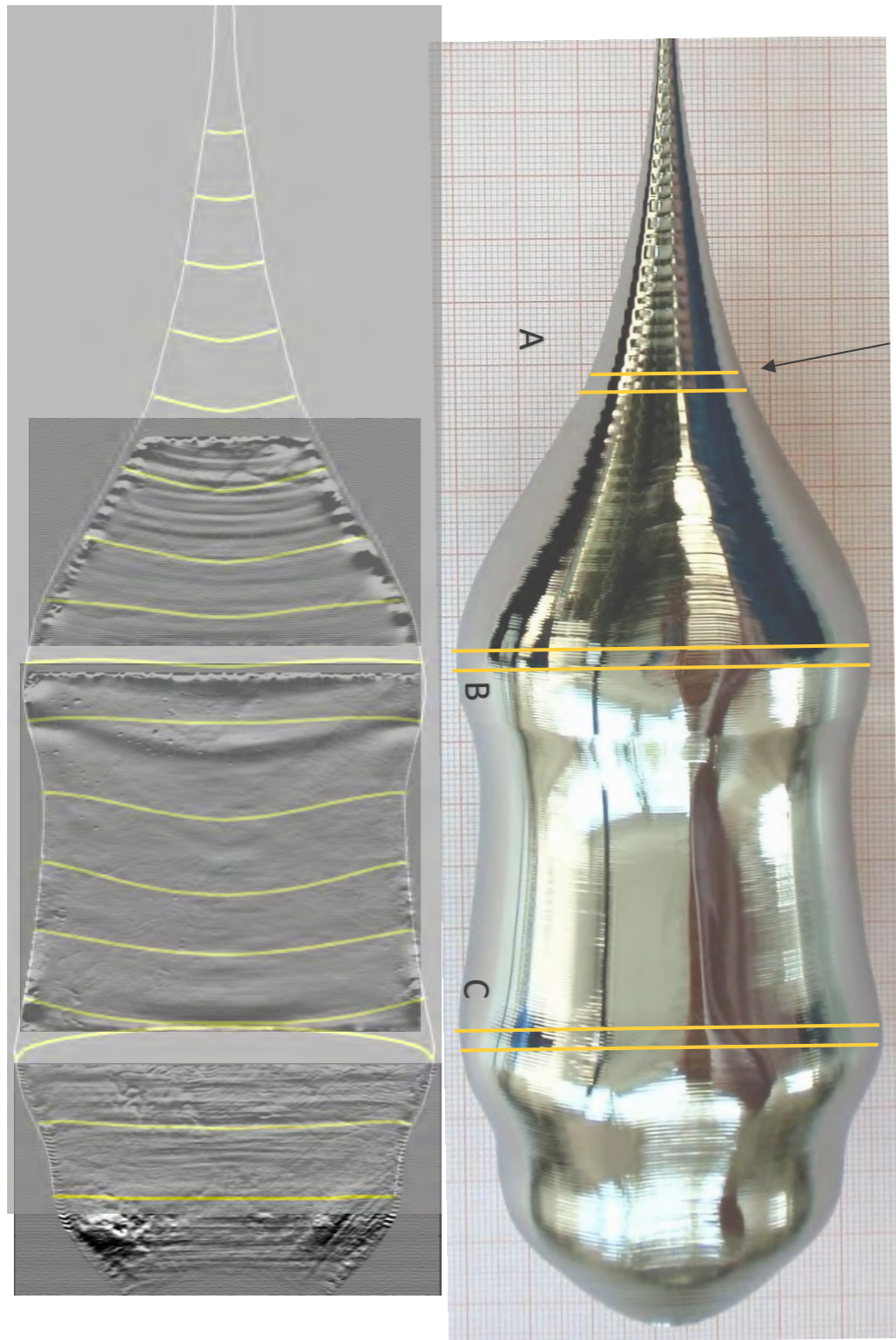
Starting with  $\mu = 2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Pa s}$  and increasing with iteration

Viscosity = Variable Time

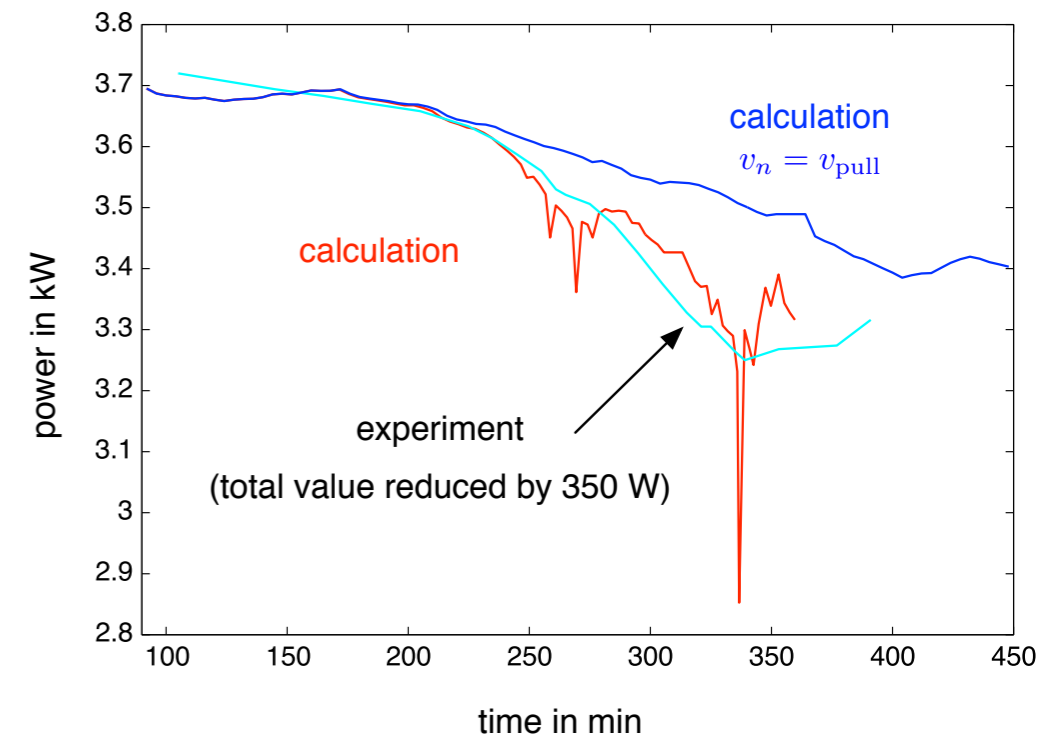
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MATC " if ( tx < 20 ) 1.2e-2 - tx/20*7e-3; else 5.0e-3; "
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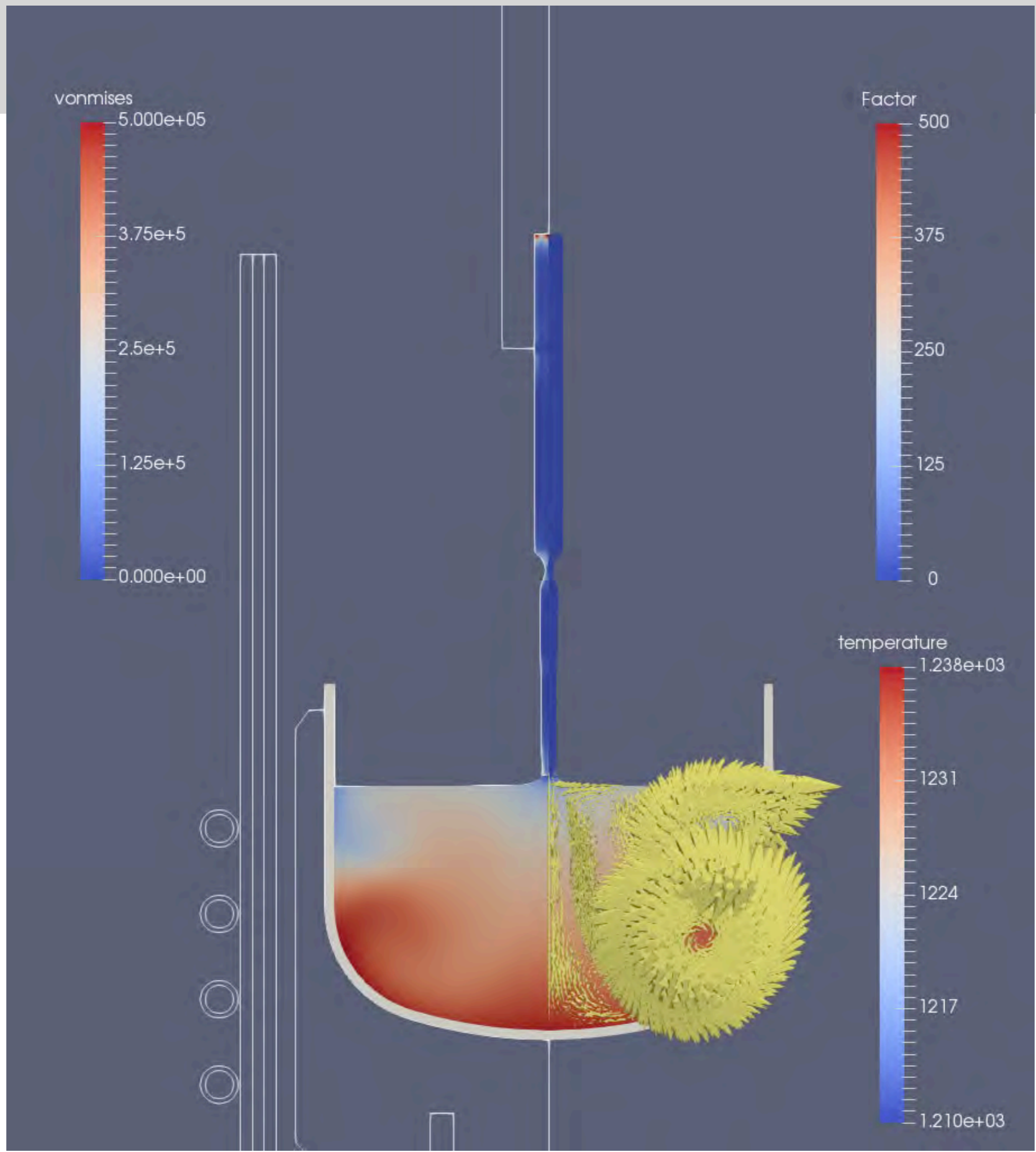


# Validation



## RGZ-69

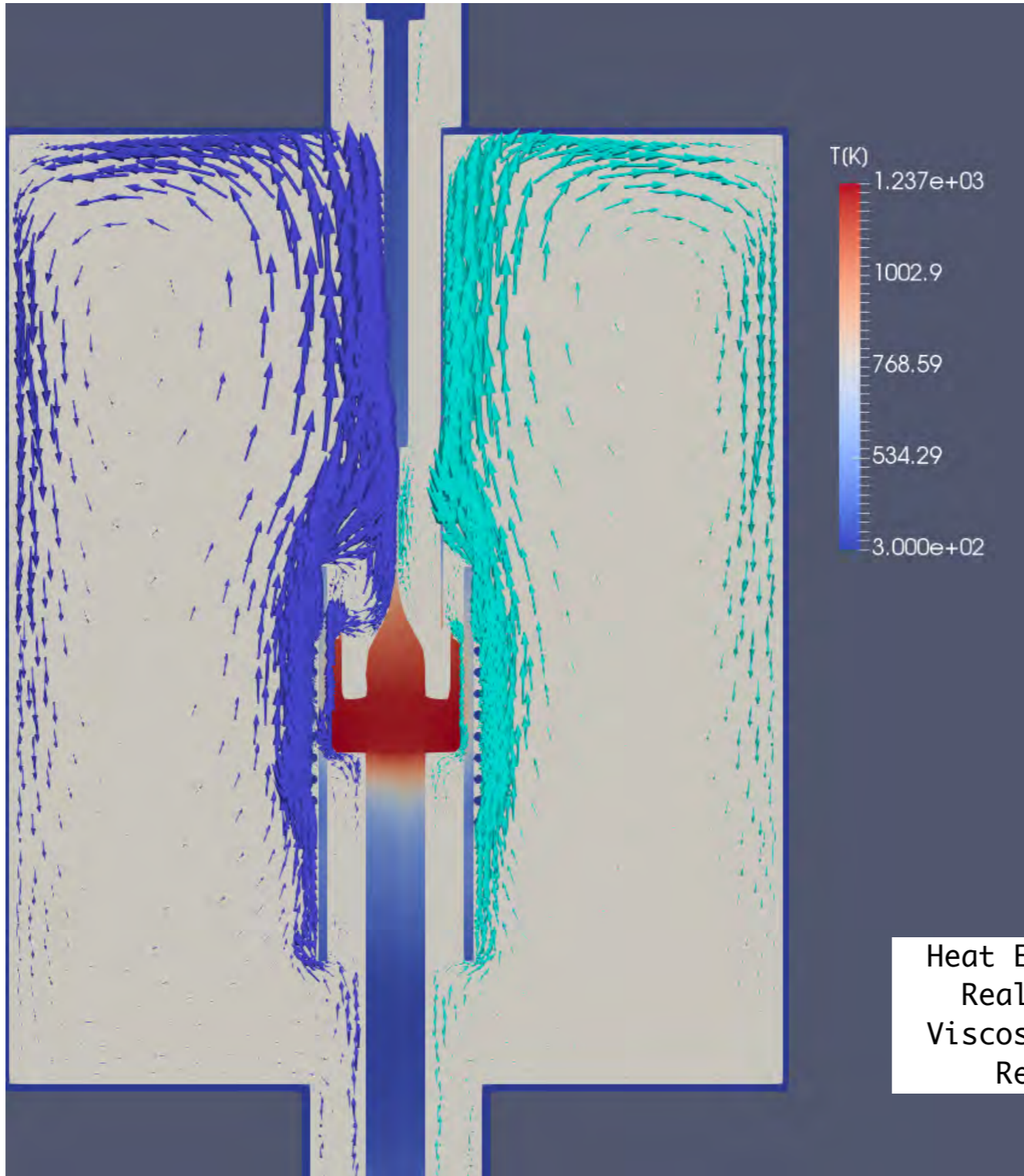




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# Gas Convection



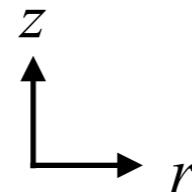
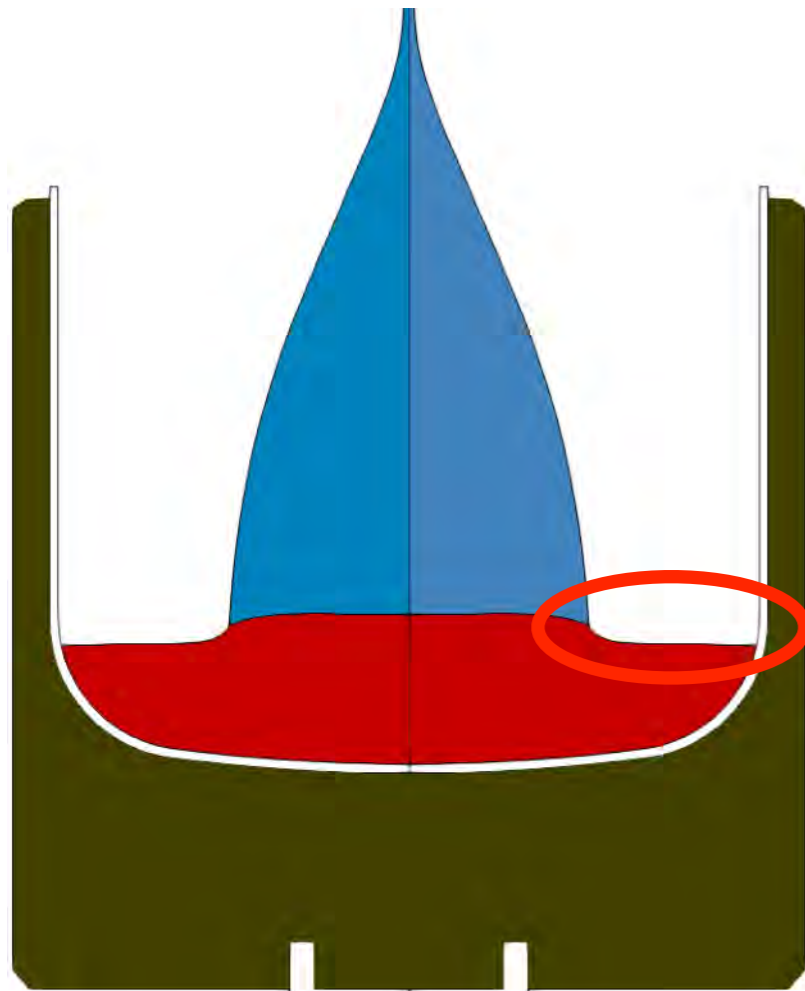
Heat Expansion Coefficient = Variable Temperature  
Real MATC " 1.0/tx "  
Viscosity = Variable Temperature  
Real MATC " tx \* 3.25e-5 "



# Current Problems

Computing of melt convection and gas convection:

Solving Navier-Stokes eq. in gas and melt separately



$$u_r^{\text{gas}} \equiv u_r^{\text{melt}}$$

gas

fixed shape



$$\mu \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r}$$

melt

Problem: Calling two NS solvers possible but only one velocity field enters Heat Solver

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# Future Work

- Taking into account change of interface shape into computation of  $v_n$ .  
( $v_n$  & latent heat depends on location,  $v_n(\mathbf{r})$  )
- Computation of dislocation density
- Optimization ?  
Simulation is parameterized  
⇒ using for optimization strategy over process run ?



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