

Modelling of Coupled Mass and Heat Transfer and Expansion during Baking of Bread in a Mould

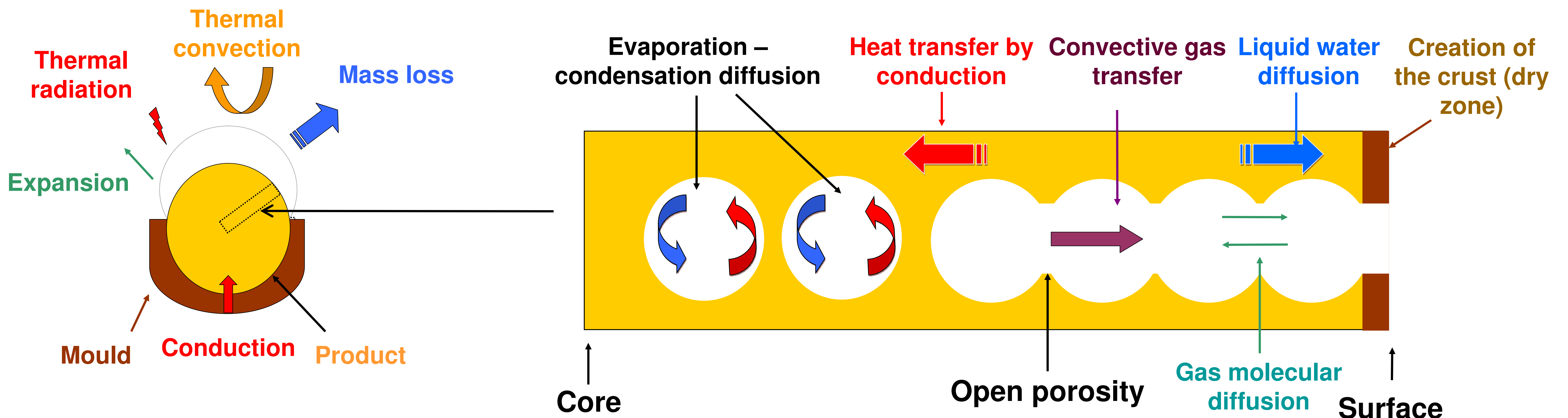
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Industrial problematic

High temperatures during bread baking deteriorates the mould. Numerical tools are used to find new processes of baking to preserve mould and bread quality.

Objectives

- have a better knowledge and understanding of the main phenomena and their relative weight occurring during the baking process
- modelling the baking step help to control and optimize the industrial process



Equation system

$$\rho_s^a \frac{\partial X_{wl}}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{m}_{wl} + \vec{m}_{wvvc} + \vec{m}_{wvd} + \vec{m}_{wvdi} + \rho_s^a (X_{wv} + X_{wl}) \vec{u}) = - \left((X_{wl} + X_{wv}) \frac{\partial \rho_s^a}{\partial t} + \rho_s^a \frac{\partial X_{wv}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\rho_s^a \frac{\partial X_{cl}}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{m}_{cl} + \vec{m}_{cvd} + \vec{m}_{cvi} + (\rho_s^a X_{cv} + \rho_s^a X_{cl}) \vec{u}) = - \left((X_{cv} + X_{cl}) \frac{\partial \rho_s^a}{\partial t} + \rho_s^a \frac{\partial X_{cv}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\rho_s^a \frac{\partial X_a}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{m}_{ad} + \vec{m}_{adi} + \rho_s^a \vec{u}) = - X_a \frac{\partial \rho_s^a}{\partial t}$$

$$\rho_s^i \frac{\partial \varepsilon_s}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_s^i \vec{u}) = 0$$

Mass conservation (water, carbon dioxide, air, dry matter)

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\tau} + (P_{wv} + P_{cv} + P_{av} - P_0) \vec{I} + \rho \vec{u} \vec{u}) = 0$$

Mechanical equilibrium

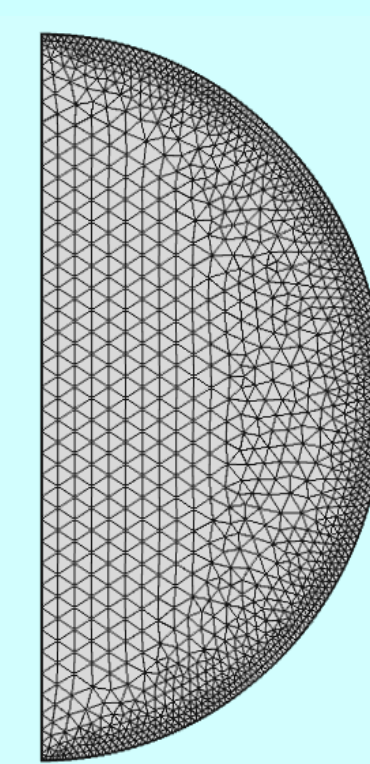
$$\frac{\partial \hat{H}}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\dot{Q} + \dot{H}_{vc} + \dot{H} + \hat{H} \vec{u}) = 0$$

Energy conservation

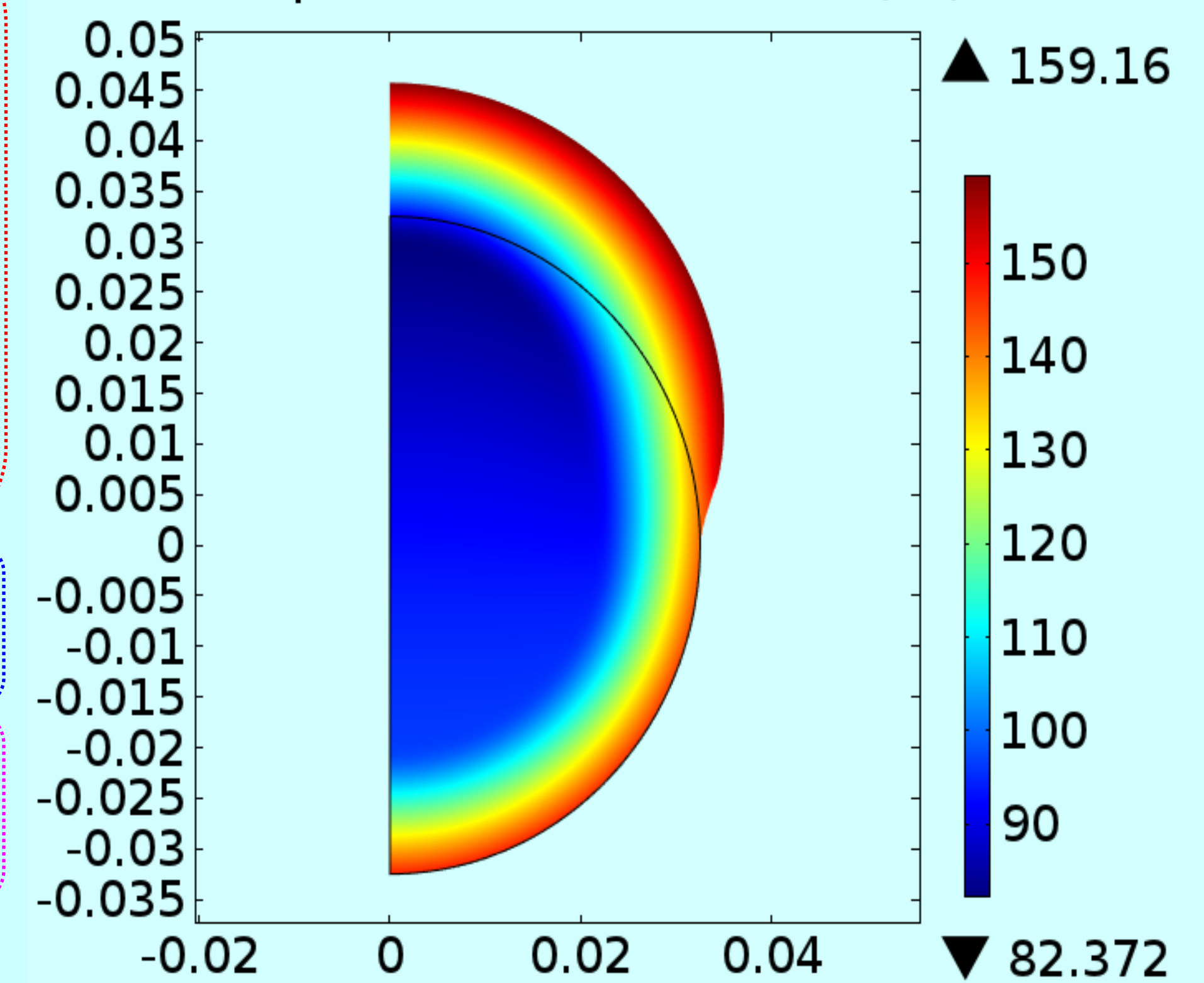
➡ Coupled with thermodynamical equilibrium for water and carbon dioxide between liquid and vapour phase

Numerical model

- 2555 triangular elements
- The algebraic differential equations system use an ALE formulation taking into account of the bread expansion



Temperature field at 45 min (°C)



Results

- good agreement with experimental data for temperature, mass loss and deformation
- crust and crumb section are well identified with the model

Conclusion

- the model implemented with COMSOL Multiphysics allows to simulate the baking of bread in a mould
- use the model to explore new heating modes (low temperature baking) in order to increase the mould lifetime

