

# Thermo Mechanical Behavior of Heat Exchangers

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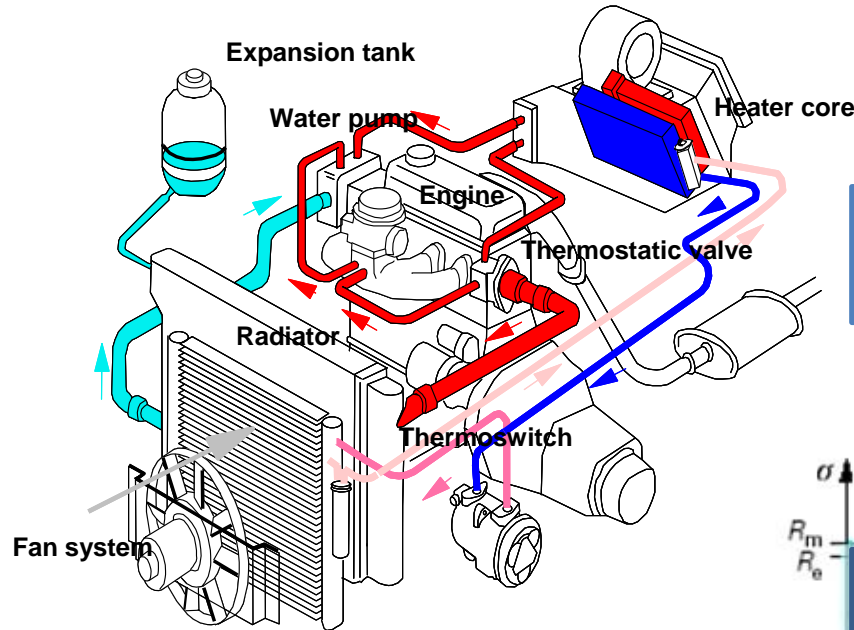
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- ThM modeling of inlet critical zone

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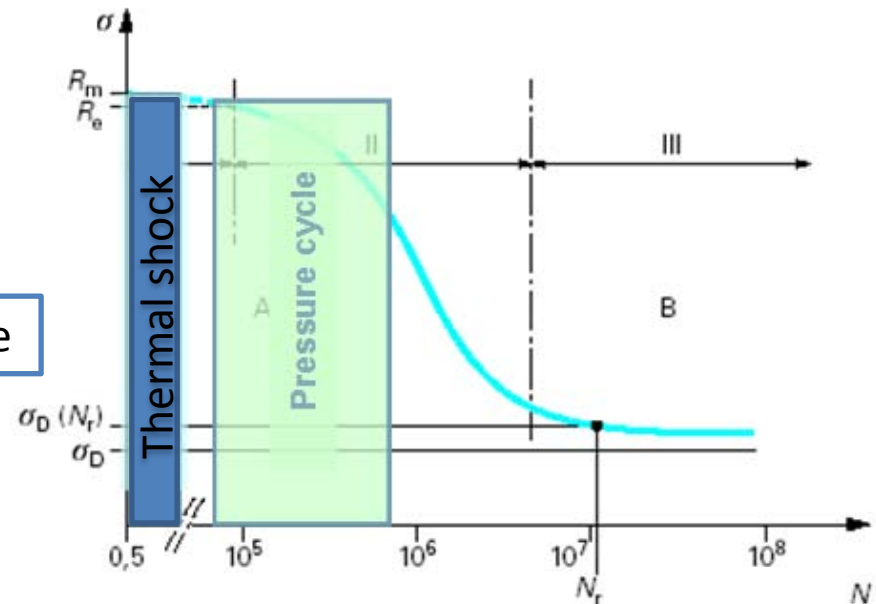
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# Introduction



Sketch of an automotive cooling system

Stress/Nb cycles curve



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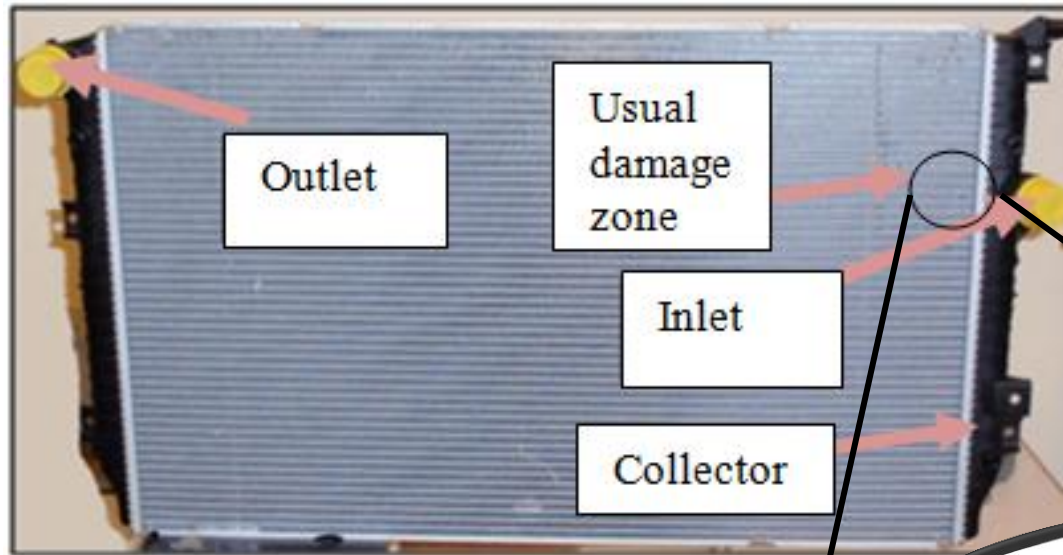
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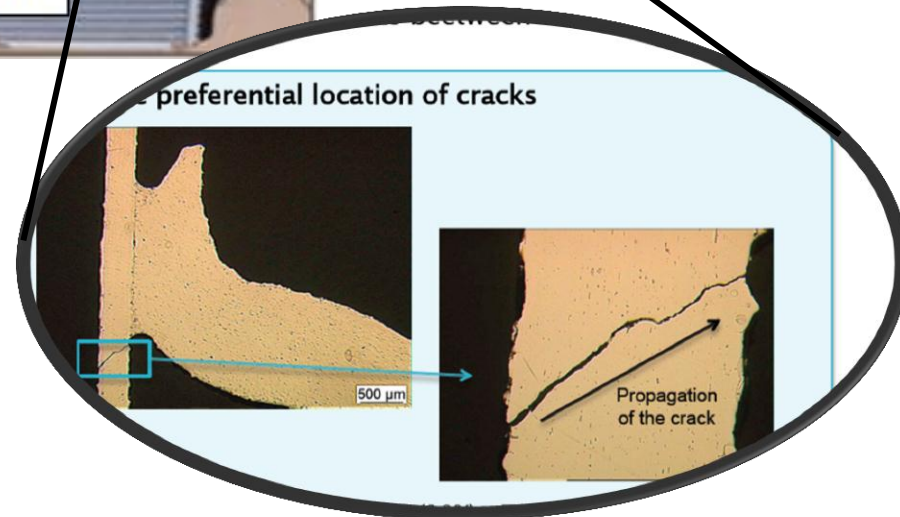
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Usual automotive heat exchanger

Study a tube with a periodic thermal shock loading



# Thermal loading

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Real thermal field

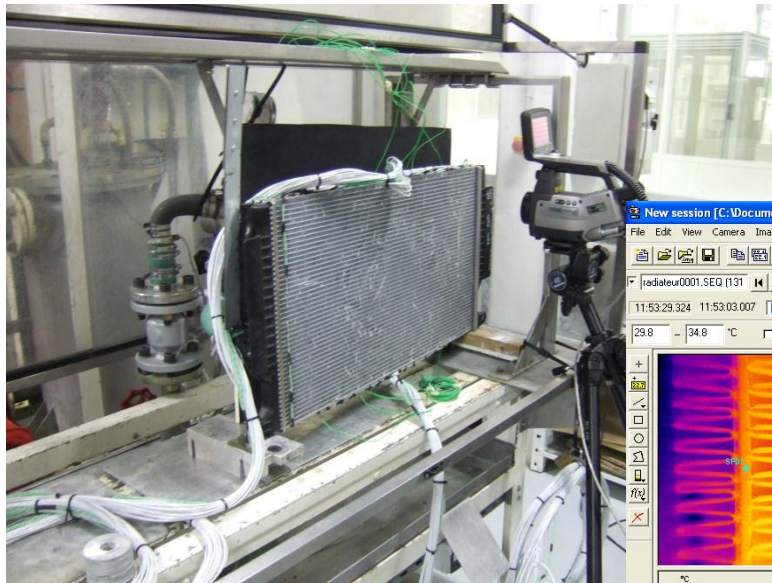
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Fatigue experimental design

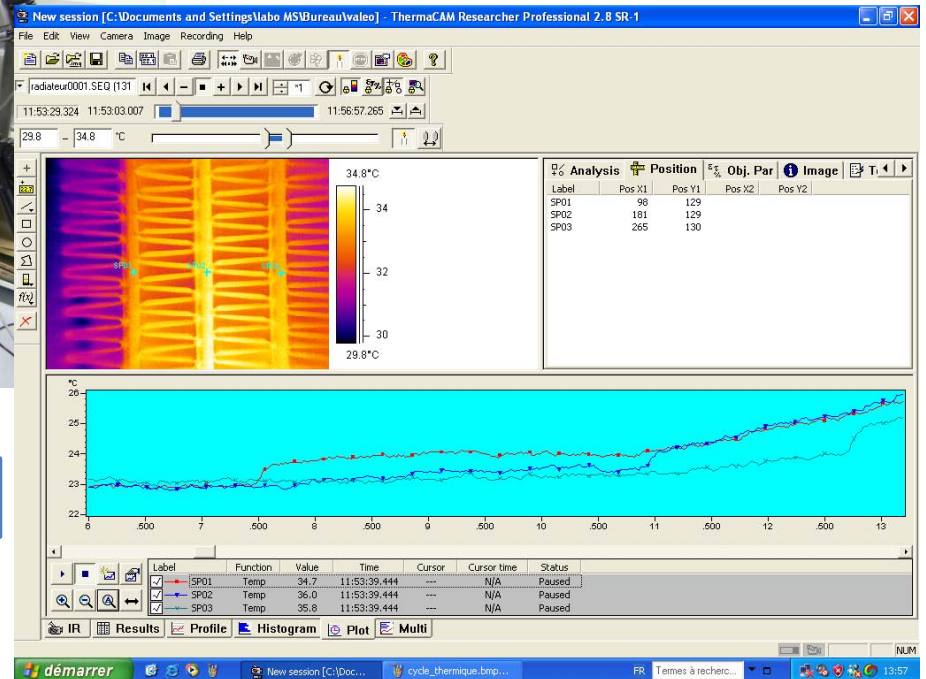
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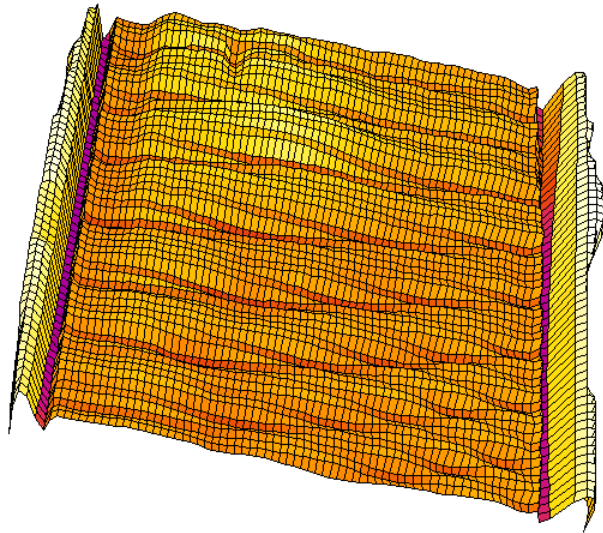
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IR capture of selected points



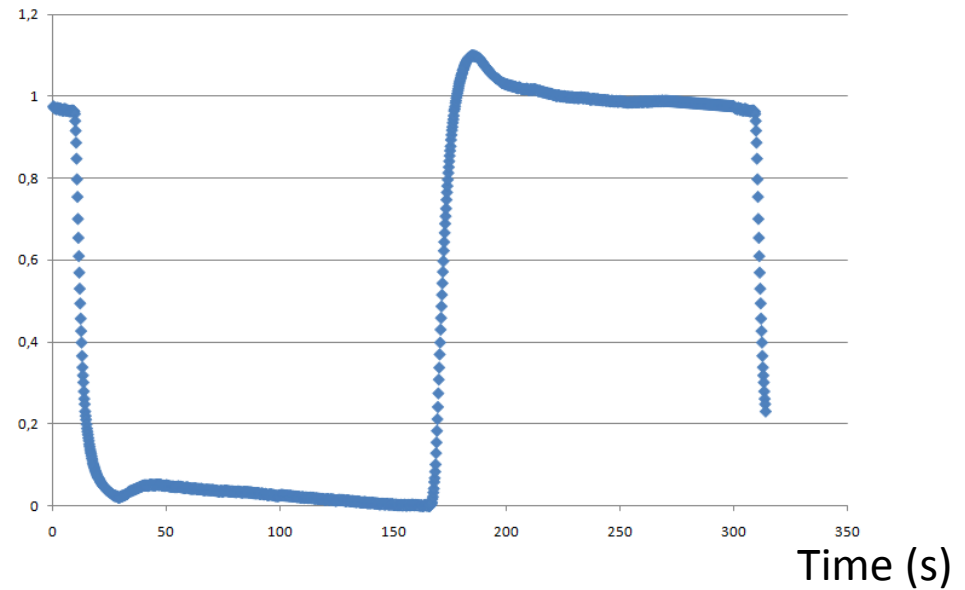
# Thermal loading



Thermal field in a U-shaped heat exchanger

Dimensionless temperature at the inlet

$T/T_{max}$



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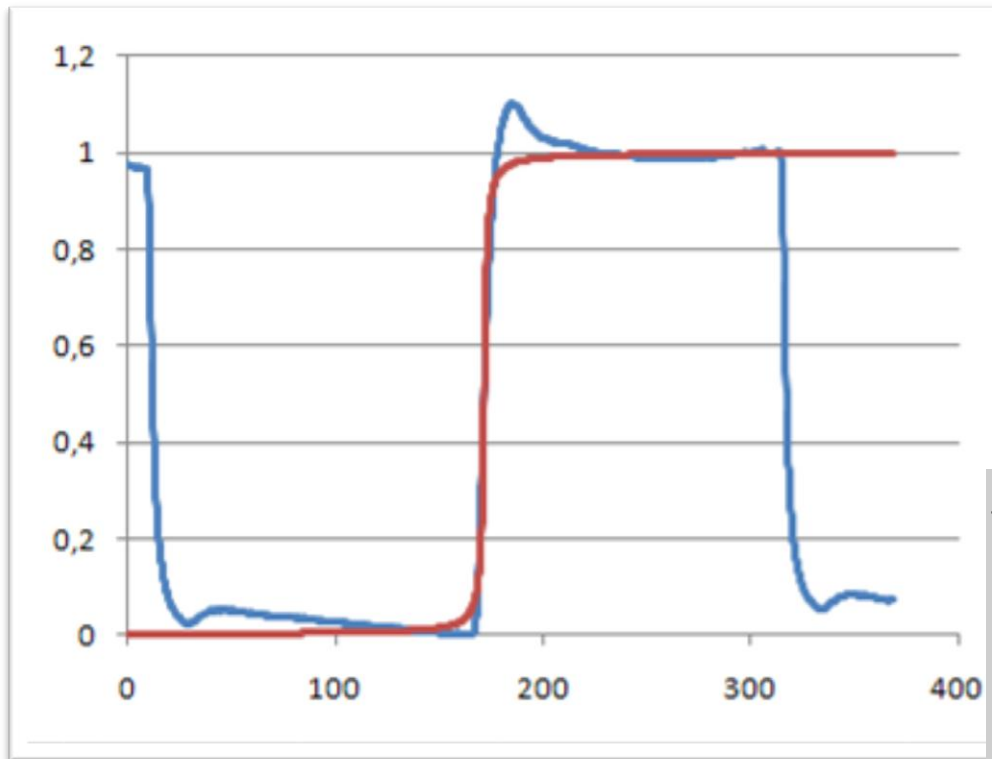
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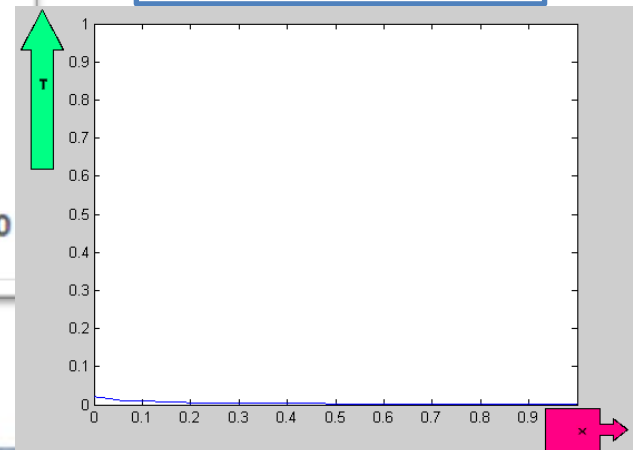
# Thermal loading

2 ways in Comsol Multiphysics



As a function,  
entered as a table

As a trigonometric  
function, time  
dependant



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Follow damage



Plasticity

Fit cyclic tensile tests



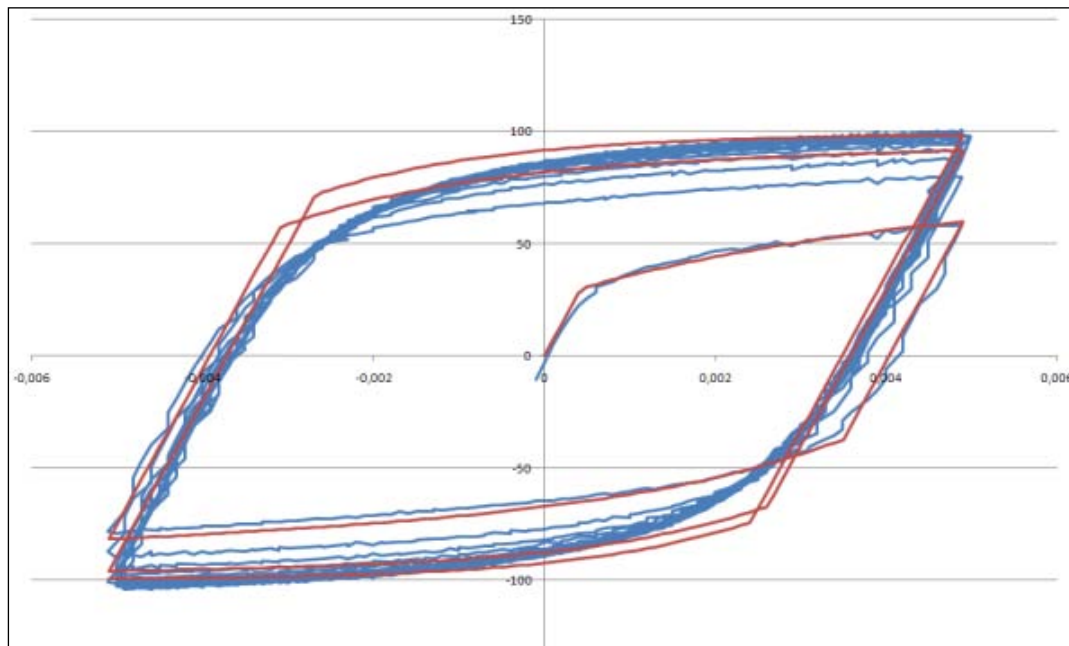
Choice of hardening model

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Cyclic tensile test



# Mechanical behavior law

## Chaboche Elastoplastic behavior law

Thermoelasticity with plastic strain

plastic strain time evolution

$$\dot{\varepsilon}_p = \frac{3}{2} \dot{p} \frac{\sigma' - X'}{J_2(\sigma - X)}$$

$$\dot{X} = \frac{2}{3} C \dot{\varepsilon}_p - \gamma X \dot{p}$$

$$\dot{p} = \frac{1}{h} H(f) \left\langle \frac{3}{2} \frac{(\sigma' - X') : \dot{\sigma}}{J_2(\sigma - X)} \right\rangle \quad h = C - \frac{3}{2} \gamma \frac{(\sigma' - X') : X}{J_2(\sigma - X)} + b(Q - R)$$

$$R = Q(1 - \exp(-bp))$$

$$J_2(\sigma - X) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} (\sigma' - X') : (\sigma' - X')}$$

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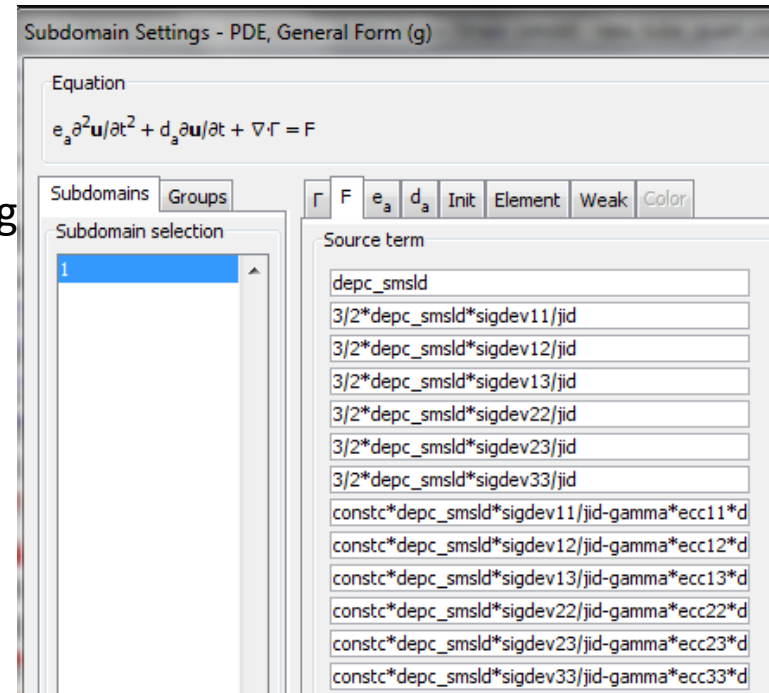
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How to implement Chaboche Elastoplastic behavior law in Comsol Multiphysics

Use thermal structure module  $\rightarrow$  T, elastic

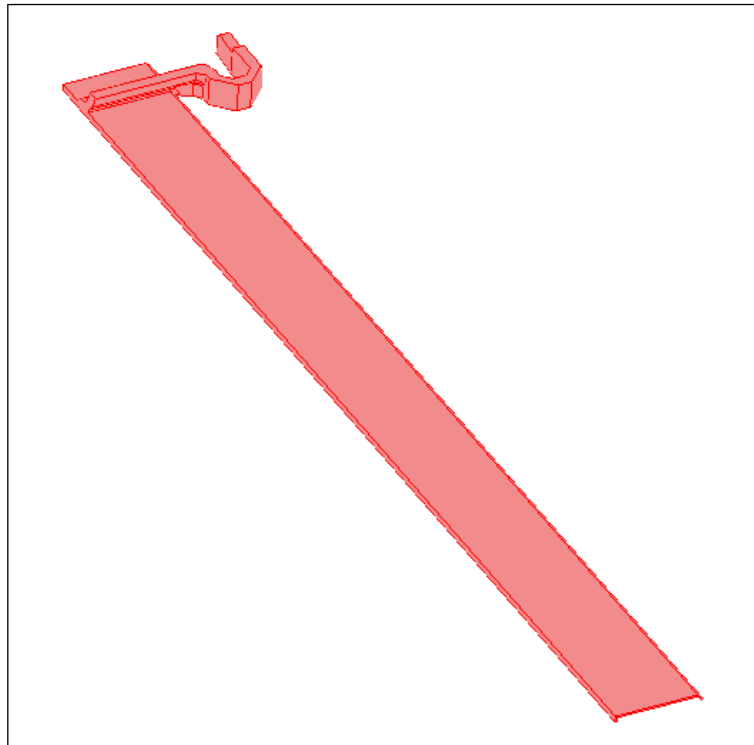
PDE General form module  $\rightarrow$  Solve hardening tensors



# ThM modeling of the inlet critical zone

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Quarter tube + collector



Thermal loading

Chaboche behavior

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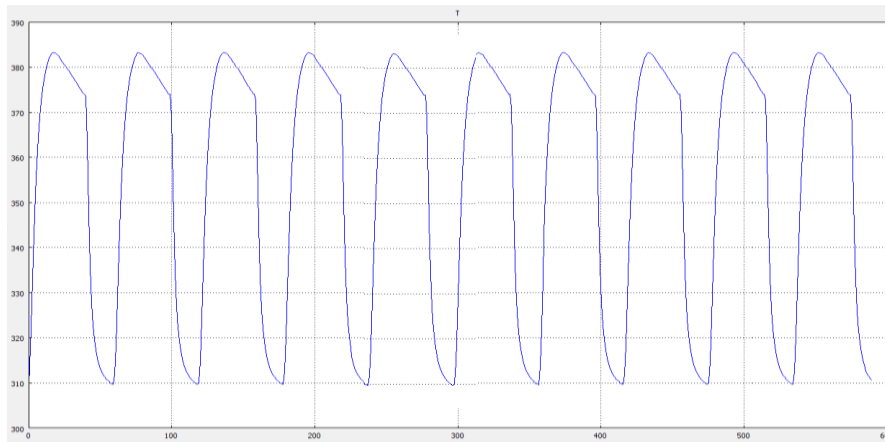
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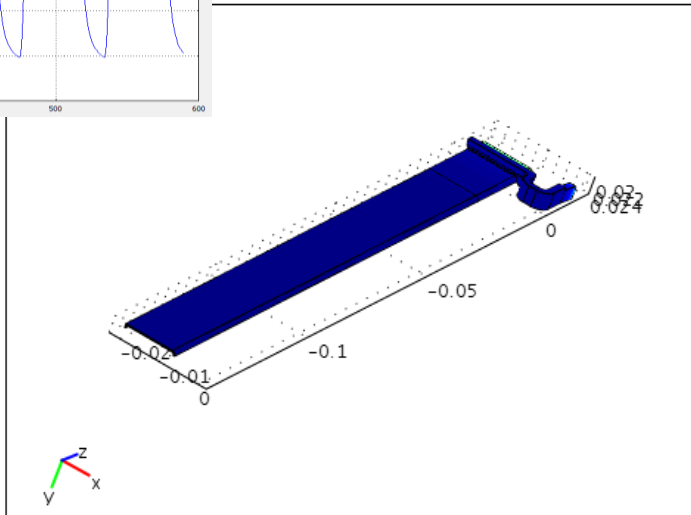
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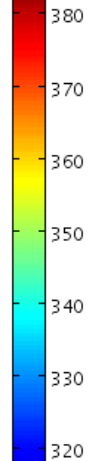
Thermal loading at the critical zone



Time=0  
Sous-Domaine: temp(z,t)



Maxi: 384.881



Mini: 310.12

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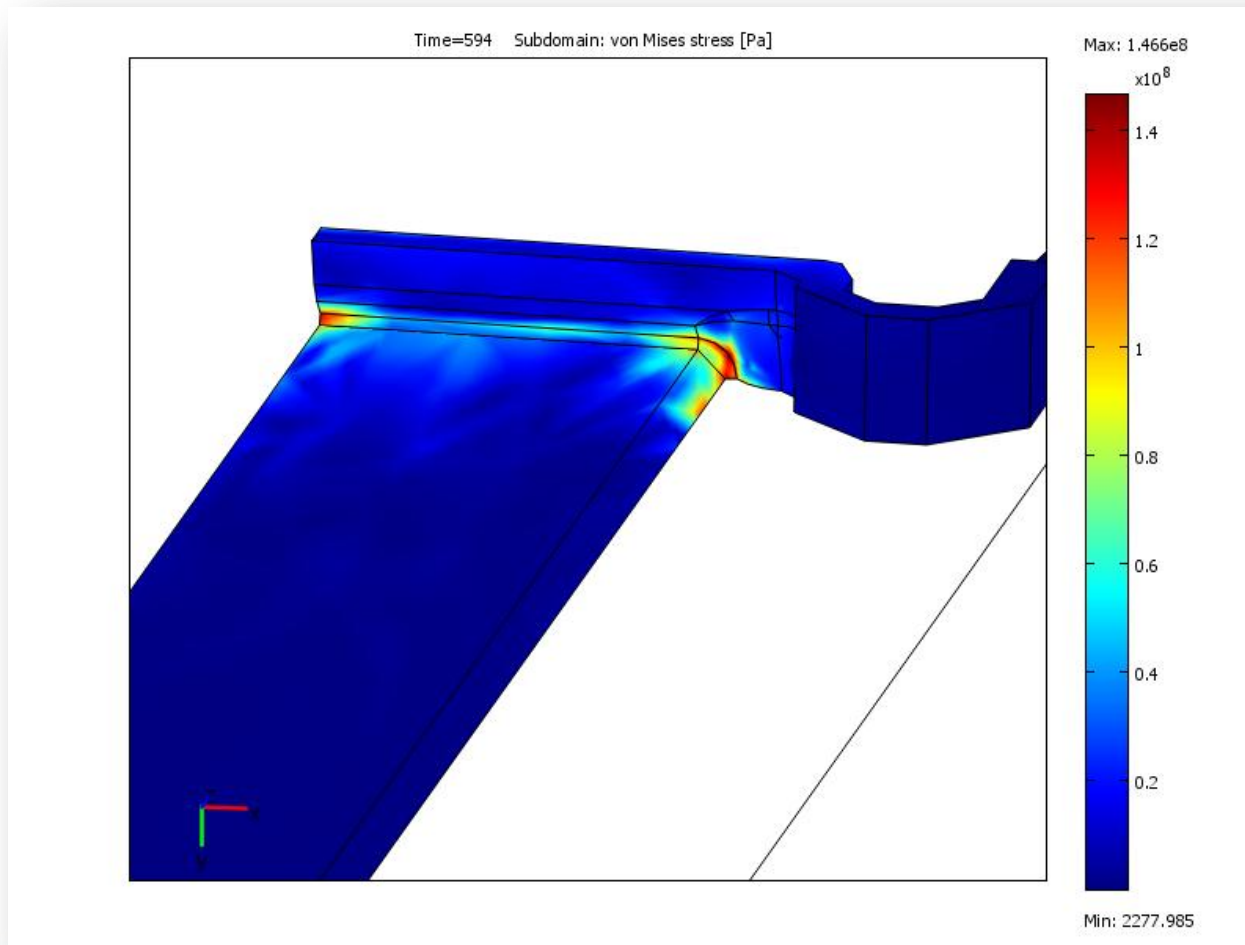
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Residual stresses at the end of the 10th cycle



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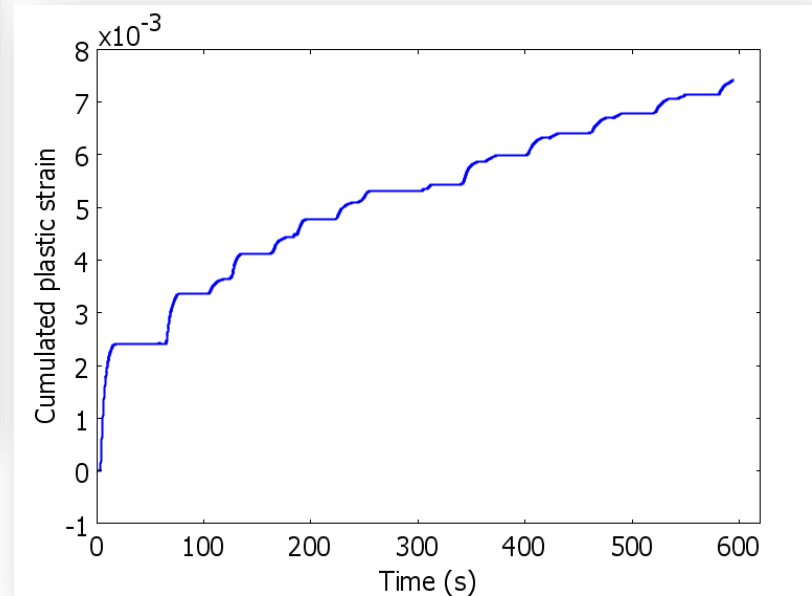
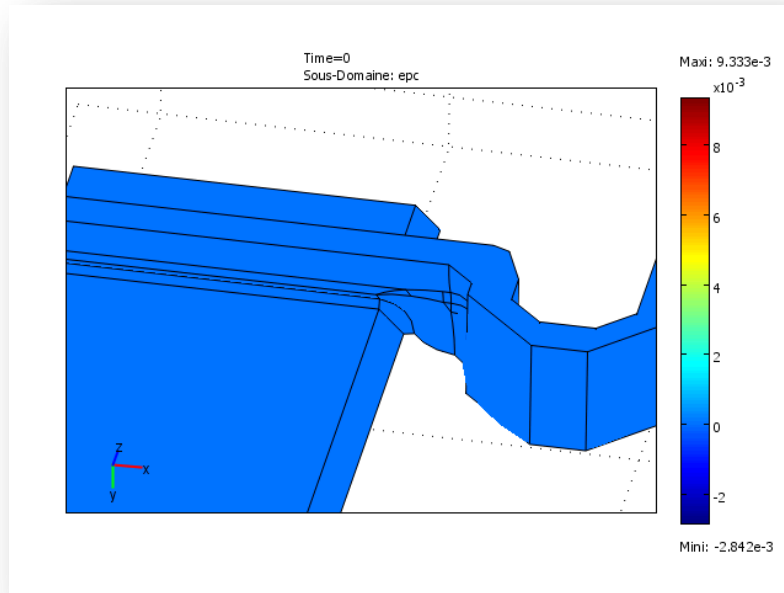
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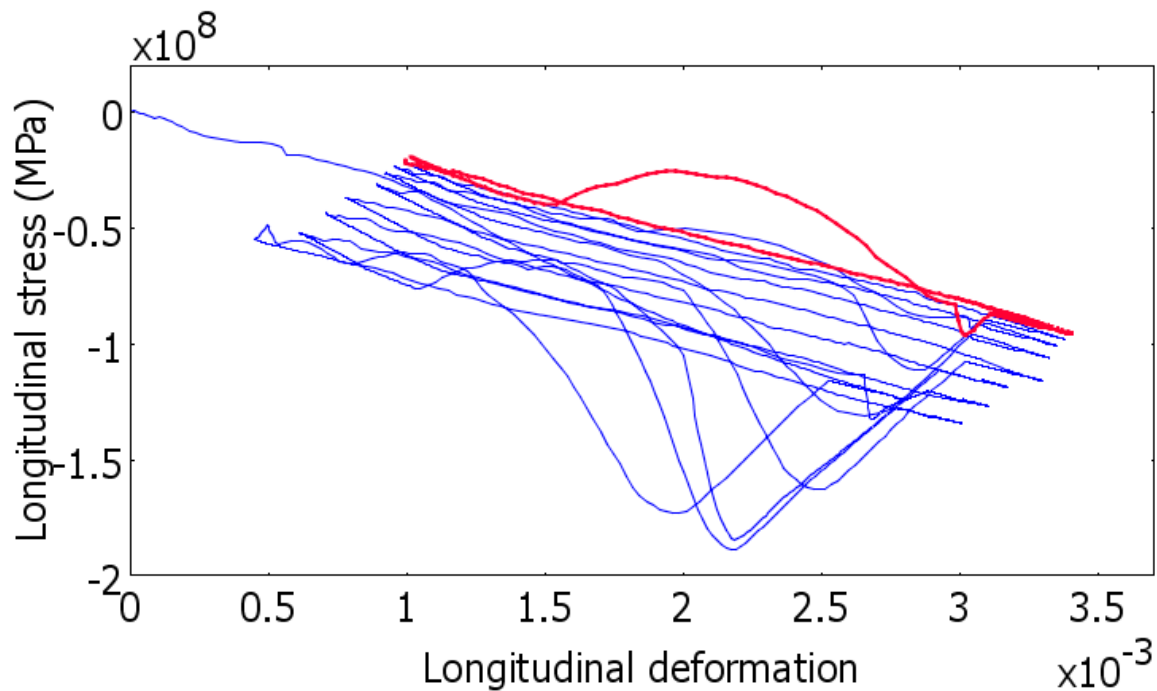
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Cumulated plastic strain



# ThM modeling of the inlet critical zone

Cyclic stress vs strain



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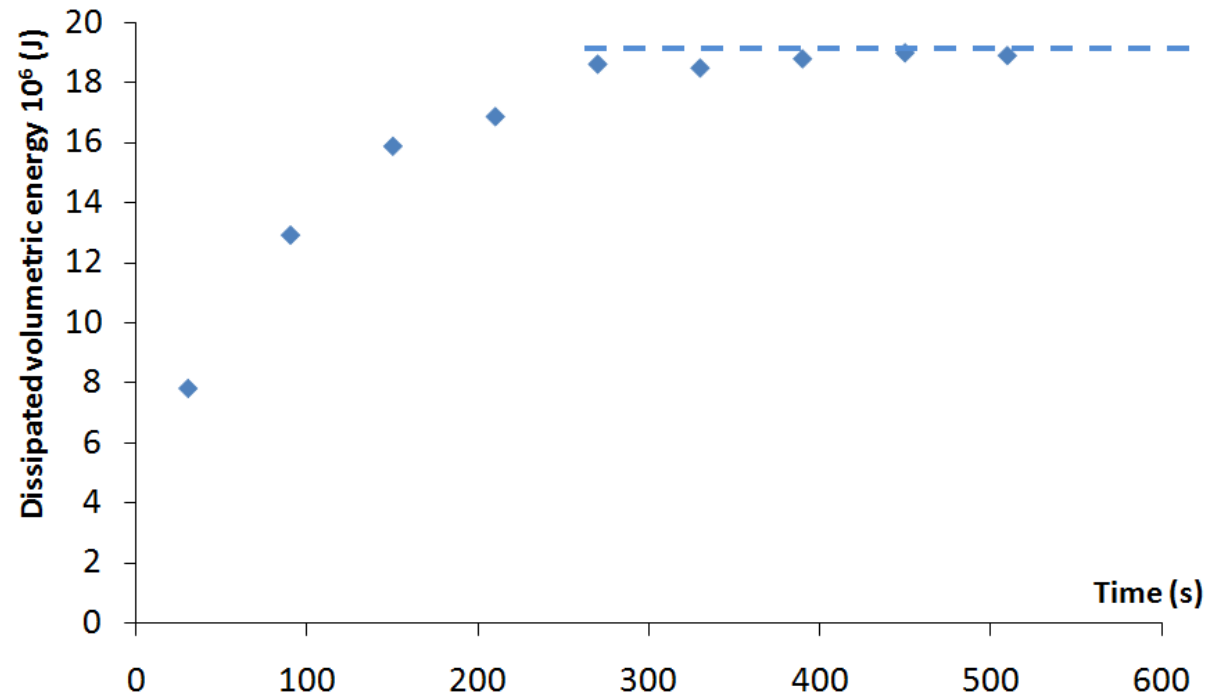
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Energy based fatigue criterion

$$Wp = \int \sigma : \varepsilon_p dt$$



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- Save time by entering thermal field
- Combined hardening model
- Good predictability
- Fatigue oriented design

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Thankyou! Any questions...