

Capteur fluxmétrique dynamique pour la caractérisation de coefficients d'échange dans le bâtiment

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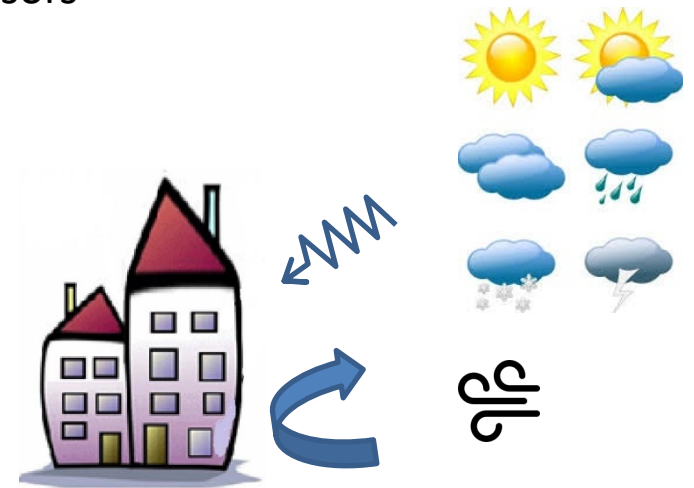
Objective and why using an active sensor ?

- **Objective:** to follow continuously external climatic factors outside buildings (heat transfer coefficient, outside equivalent temperature....)
- **Interests:**
 - to improve thermal management of buildings
 - to provide data to IA predictive models for energy saving
 - still necessary to provide pertinent and unbiased sensors

- But **how** to proceed ?

One way is to analyze all the thermal phenomena:

- convection,
- radiation
- evaporation



□ Analysis of all thermal phenomena

✓ Heat flux from solar radiation : φ_s (α_s : wall absorption coefficient)

✓ Heat flux from infrared radiation : $\varphi_r = h_r(T_p - T_r)$

✓ Convective heat flux : $\varphi_c = h_c(T_p - T_a)$

✓ Heat flux from evaporation $\varphi_v = h_v(T_p - T_a) + \sigma_v$

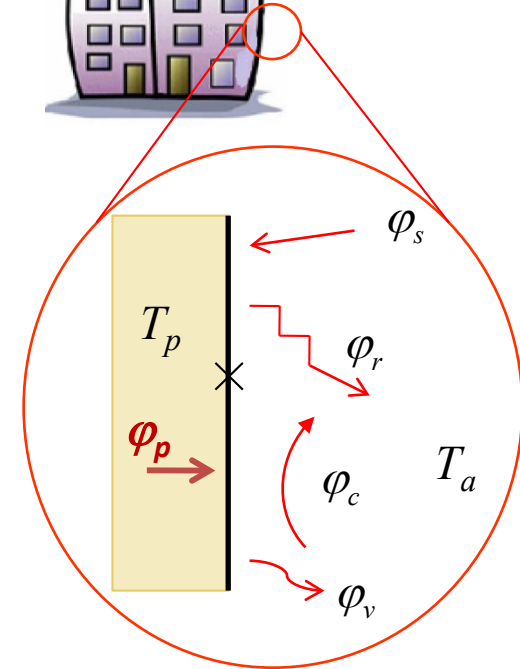
(h_v and σ_v are proport. to the latent heat of evaporation)

By adding heat fluxes ($\varphi_p = \varphi_c + \varphi_r + \varphi_v - \alpha_s \varphi_s$), the wall heat flux is:

$$\varphi_p = h_c(T_p - T_a) + h_r(T_p - T_r) + h_v(T_p - T_a) + \sigma_v - \alpha_s \varphi_s \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$



The full characterization of all the parameters of Eq.(1) is **rather complex** since it would require several types of measurement



□ An efficient alternative: a global model

From Eq.(1): $\varphi_p = h_c(T_p - T_a) + h_r(T_p - T_r) + h_v(T_p - T_a) + \sigma_v - \alpha_s \varphi_s$

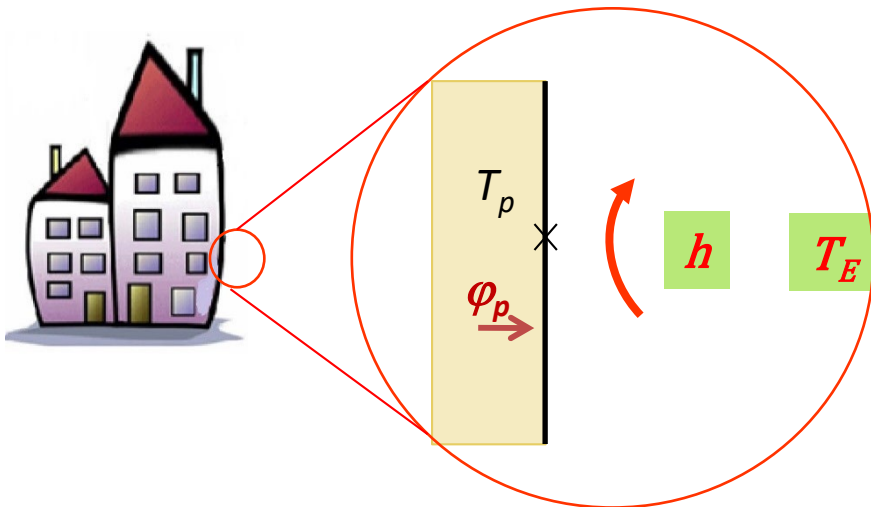
one can write:

$$\varphi_p = h (T_p - T_E)$$

$$h = h_r + h_c + h_v$$

$$T_E = \frac{(h_c + h_v)T_a + h_r T_r + \alpha_s \varphi_s - \sigma_v}{h}$$

T_E : equivalent surrounding temperature



But how to find h and T_E ?

- Not possible with standard passive heat flux sensor which provides $\varphi_p(t)$ and $T_p(t)$
- But, this is possible if the sensor is **heated**

Working principle of the dynamic heat flux sensor

$$\varphi_p = h (T_p - T_E) \quad h \text{ ? and } T_E ?$$

h_0

- Without insulation

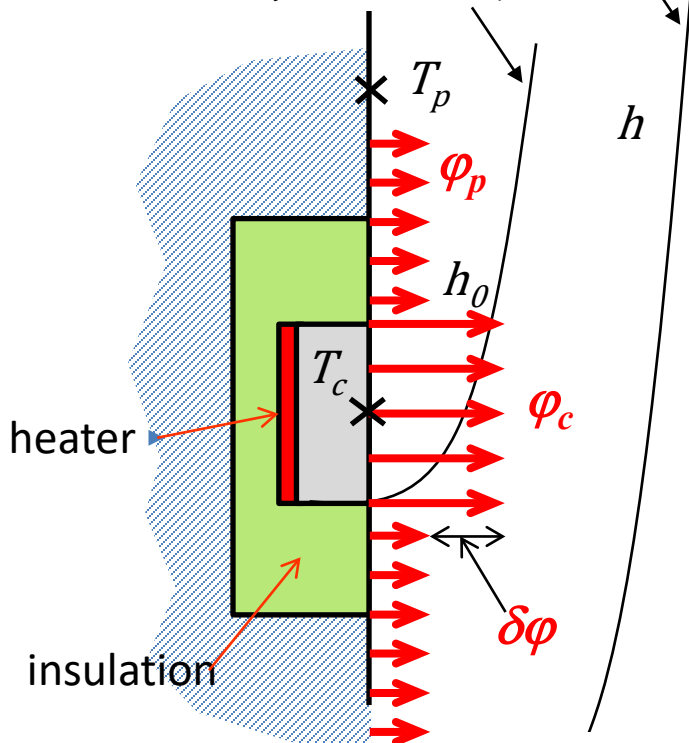
$$\varphi_c = \varphi_p + \delta\varphi$$

$$\delta\varphi = h_0 (T_c - T_p)$$

$$\varphi_c = h (T_p - T_E) + h_0 (T_c - T_p) + C dT_c/dt$$

Bound. layer linked to φ_p

Bound. layer linked to $\delta\varphi$



- With insulation

$$\text{through sensor } \varphi_p \approx 0 \quad \varphi_c \approx \delta\varphi$$

If $\delta\varphi = 0$ (no sensor heating)

$$0 \approx h (T_p - T_E) + h_0 (T_{c0} - T_p) + C dT_{c0}/dt$$

as $C dT_{c0}/dt \approx 0$:

$$\varphi_c = h (T_p - T_E) \approx h_0 (T_p - T_{c0})$$

$$(h, T_E) \rightarrow (h_0, T_{c0})$$

Brunjail 1982

If $\delta\varphi = 0$; $T_E \approx T_{c0}$ sensor at T_{c0}

If $\delta\varphi \neq 0$

h_0 measurement ?

- **Capacitive model (lumped system)**

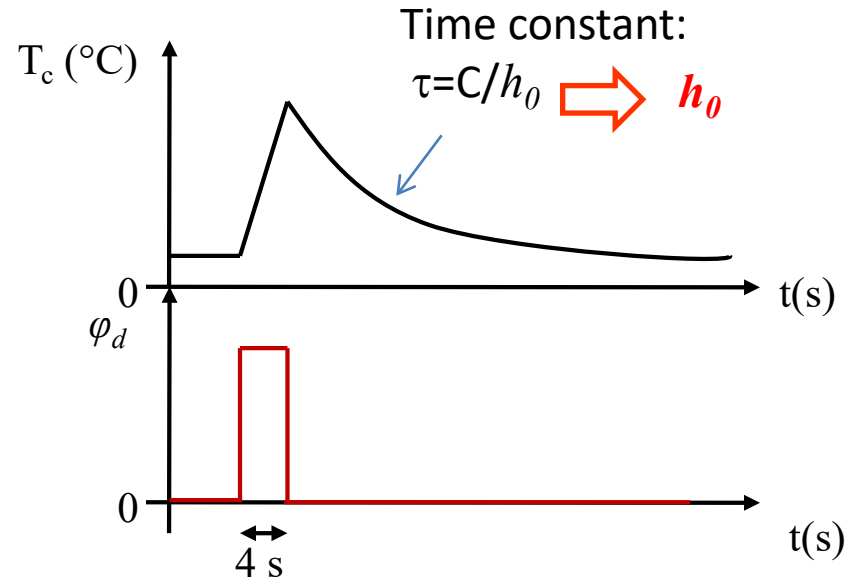
$$\theta = T_c(t) - T_{c0}(t)$$

$$\delta\varphi = h\theta + C \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\varphi_0}{h_0} \left(1 - \exp \left[-\frac{h_0}{C} t \right] \right)$$

$\swarrow$
 $1/\tau$

$$0.1 < \text{Biot} < 0.3$$

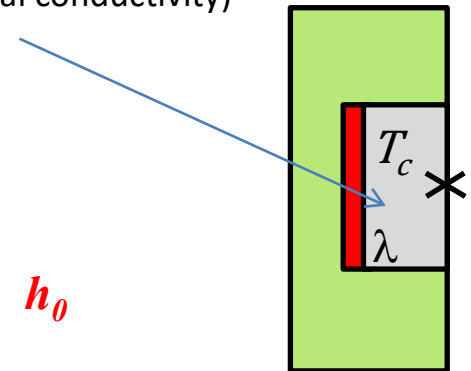


- **Conductive model** : Instead of a lumped system, one can take into account heat transfer through the sensor (i.e. its substrate)

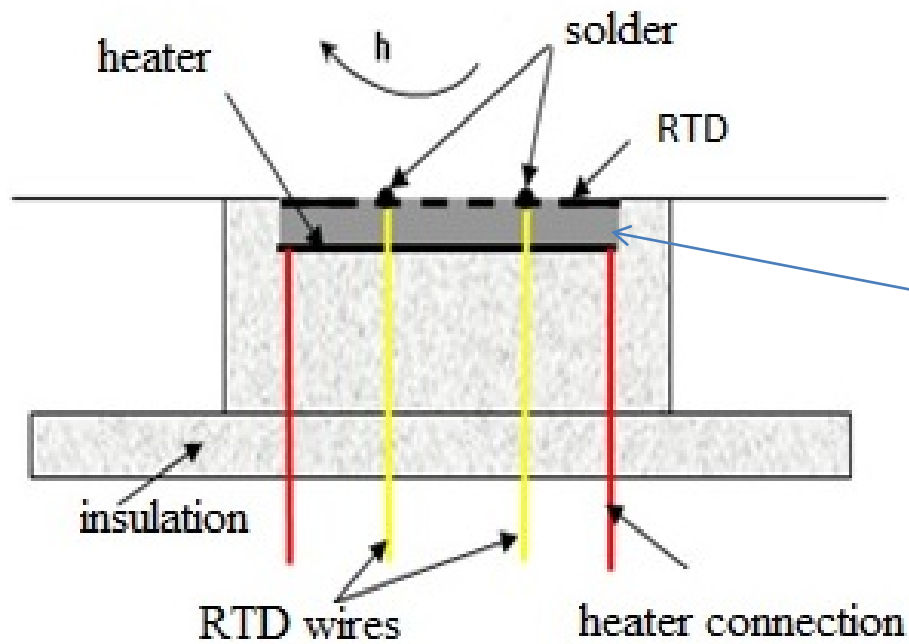
(λ : epoxy susbtrate thermal conductivity)

$$T_c(t) - T_{c0}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \cos(u_k) e^{-\frac{au_k^2 t}{L^2}} \left(e^{-\frac{au_k^2 t_0}{L^2}} - 1 \right)$$

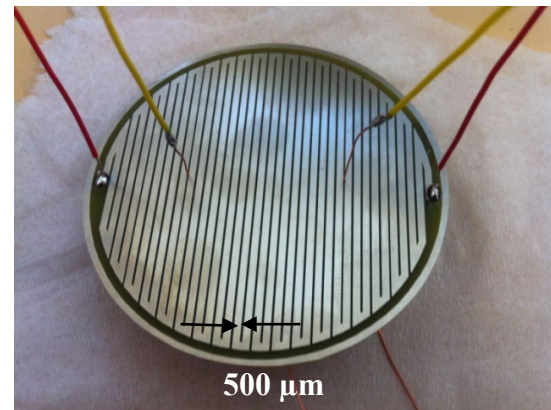
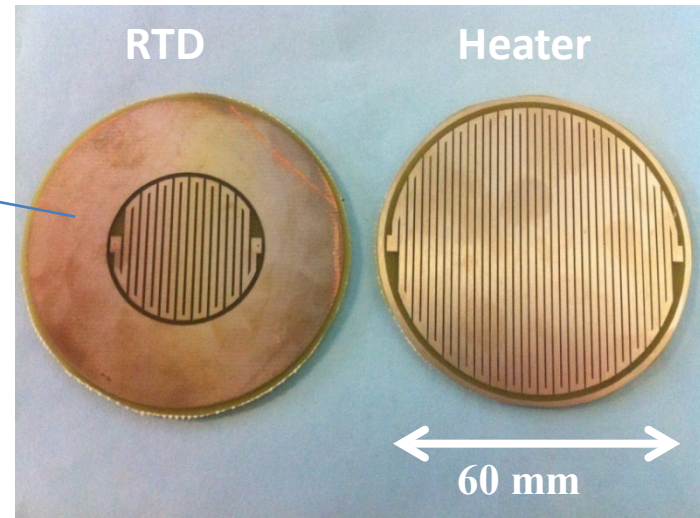
$$u_k \tan(u_k) = \frac{h_0 L}{\lambda} \Rightarrow h_0$$



Realisation of the active heat flux sensor

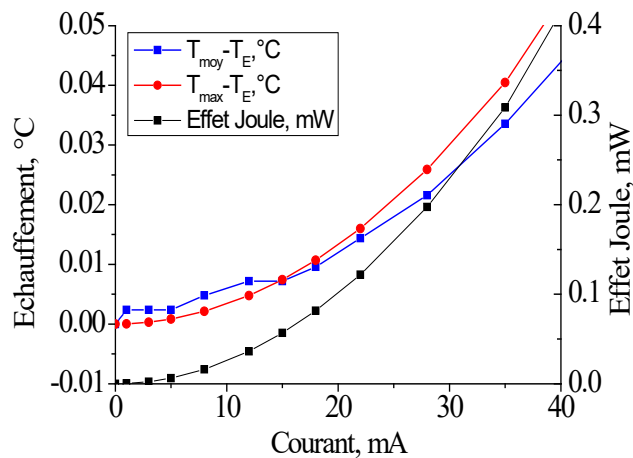
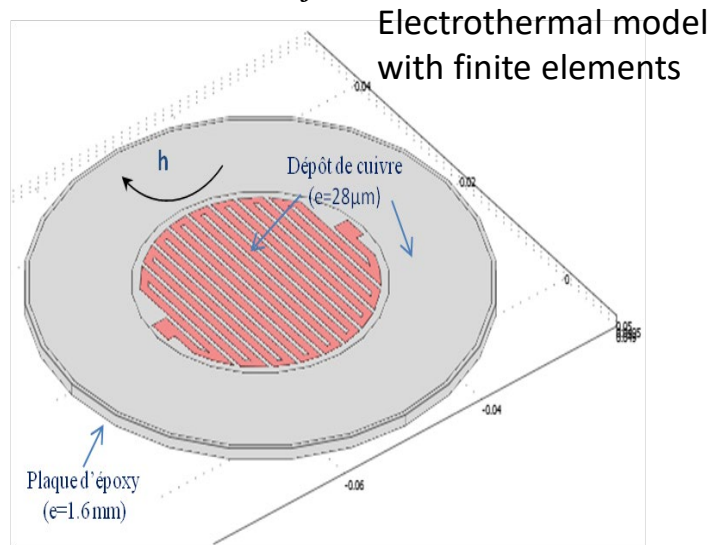


Substrate FR4 (epoxy+ glass fiber)



Realisation of the active heat flux sensor

- RTD self heating (ΔT_{sf}) ?

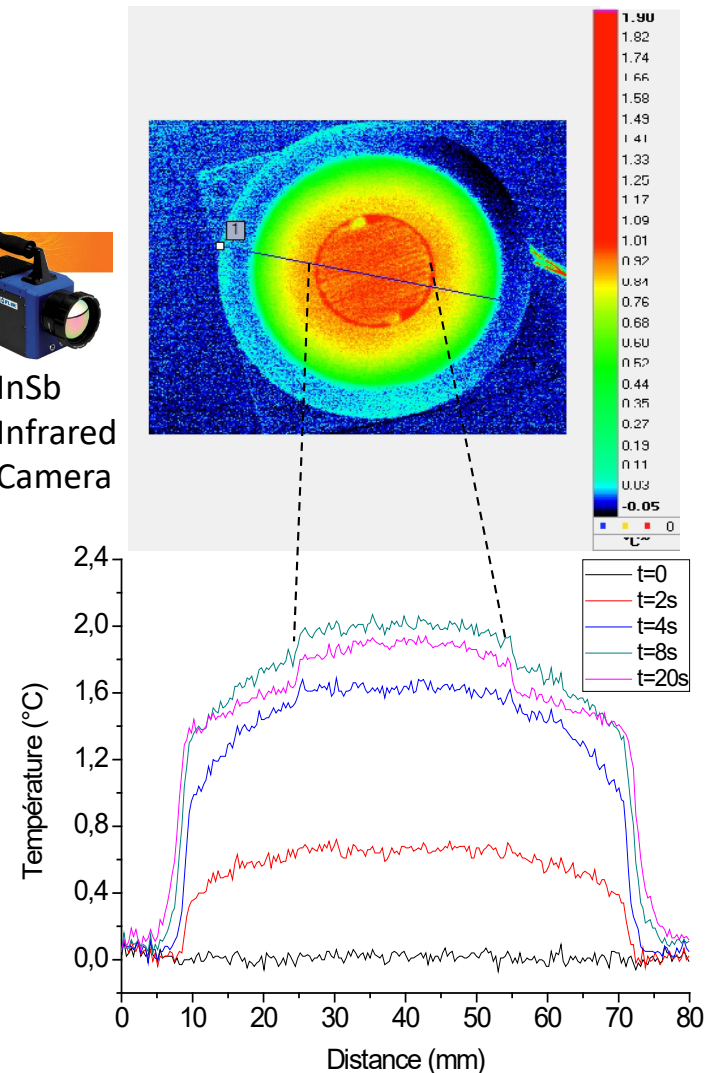


$$i = 30 \text{ mA} \rightarrow \Delta T_{sf} \approx 0.03 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}, \Delta \phi \approx 0.2 \text{ mW}$$

- **Sensor temperature uniformity (ΔT_u)**



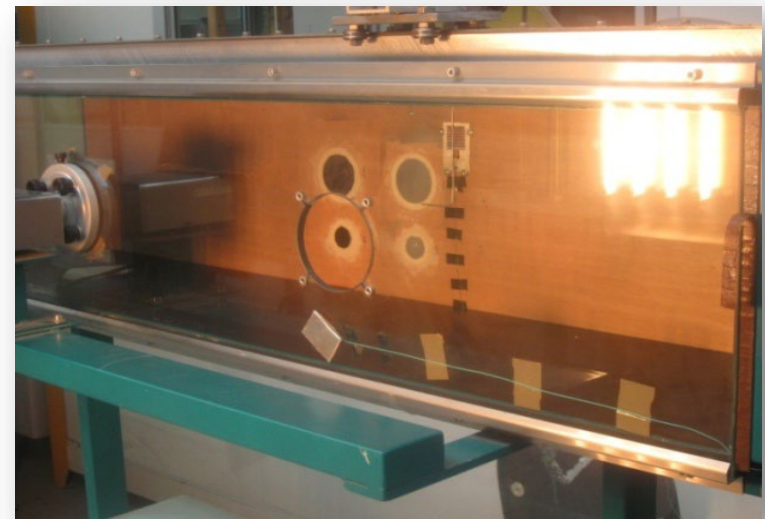
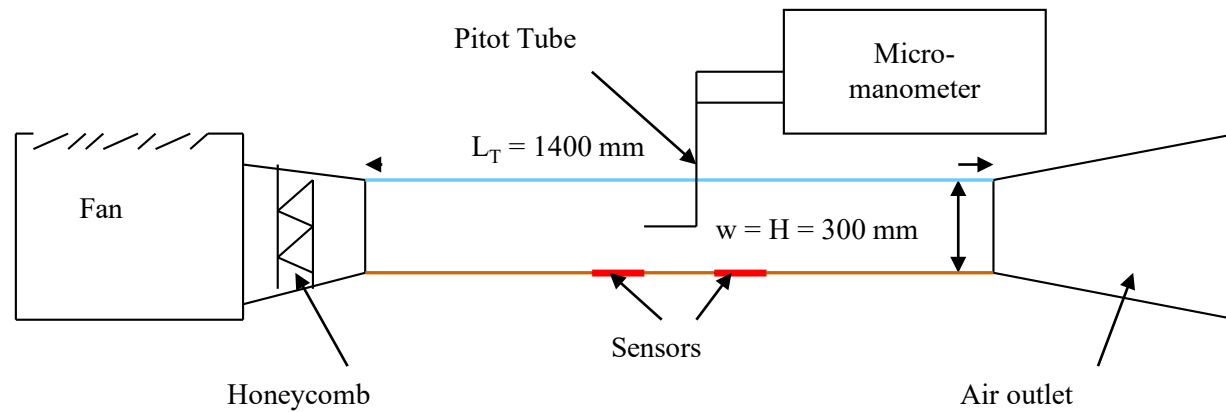
InSb
Infrared
Camera



→ $\Delta T_u < 0.2^\circ\text{C}$ for $\Delta T = 2^\circ\text{C}$

Wind Tunnel setup and h_o results

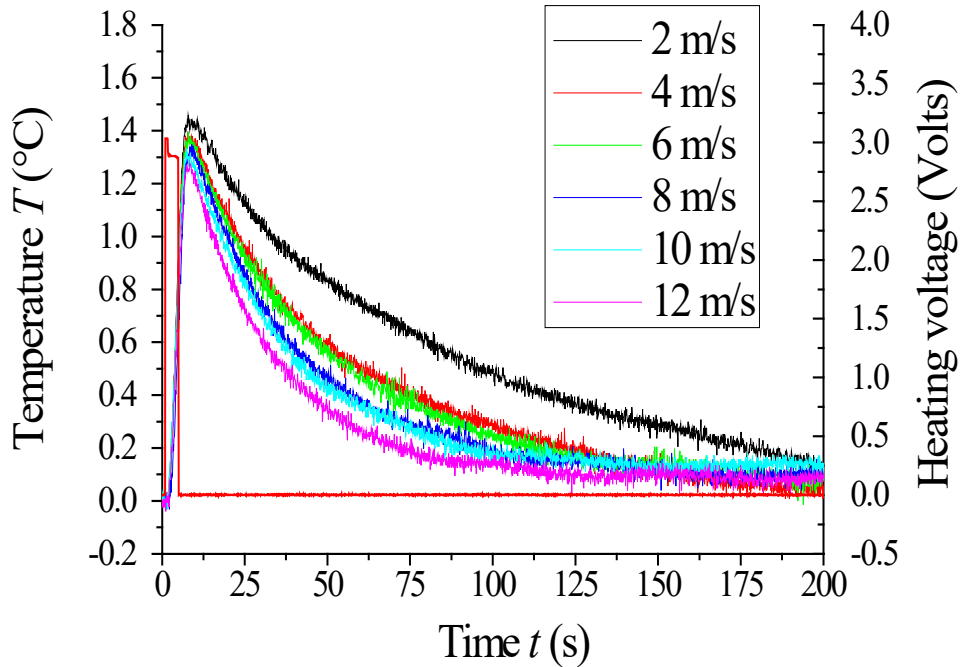
Air velocity from 0 to 12 m/s



Temperature vs. time

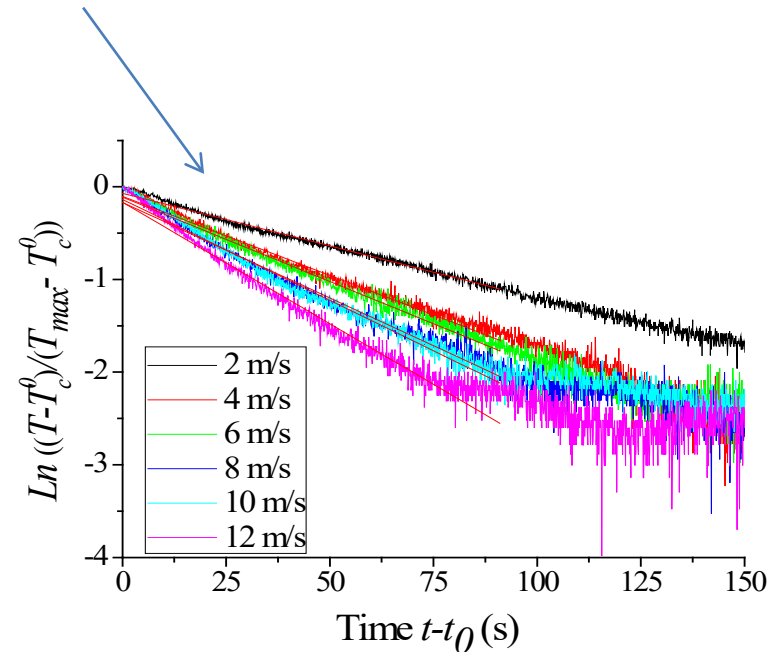
Laminar flow

($Re < 5 \cdot 10^5$)



T vs. t after a 4 s heat pulse

Slope $\rightarrow$ Time constant: $\tau = C/h_0 \rightarrow h_0$



$\ln((T_c - T_c^0)/(T_{max} - T_c^0))$ vs. $(t - t_0)$

Log-linear of the exponential cooling signal

□ Local heat transfer coefficient values (h_o) :

Table 1: Experimental values of h_o with the new dynamic heat flux sensor

Air speed (m/s)	Time constant τ (s)	Capacitive model	Conductive model
		$h_o = \frac{C}{\tau} \text{ (W/(m}^2\text{K))}$	$h_o = u_1 \frac{\lambda}{L} \tan u_1 \text{ (W/(m}^2\text{K))}$
2	89.7	29.3 ± 1.1	30.2 ± 1.7
4	61.8	42.5 ± 1.7	44.5 ± 2.4
6	60.3	43.6 ± 1.4	45.7 ± 2.3
8	48.0	54.8 ± 1.9	58.3 ± 3.0
10	46.7	56.3 ± 2.6	60.0 ± 3.5
12	36.5	71.5 ± 2.2	78.4 ± 3.7

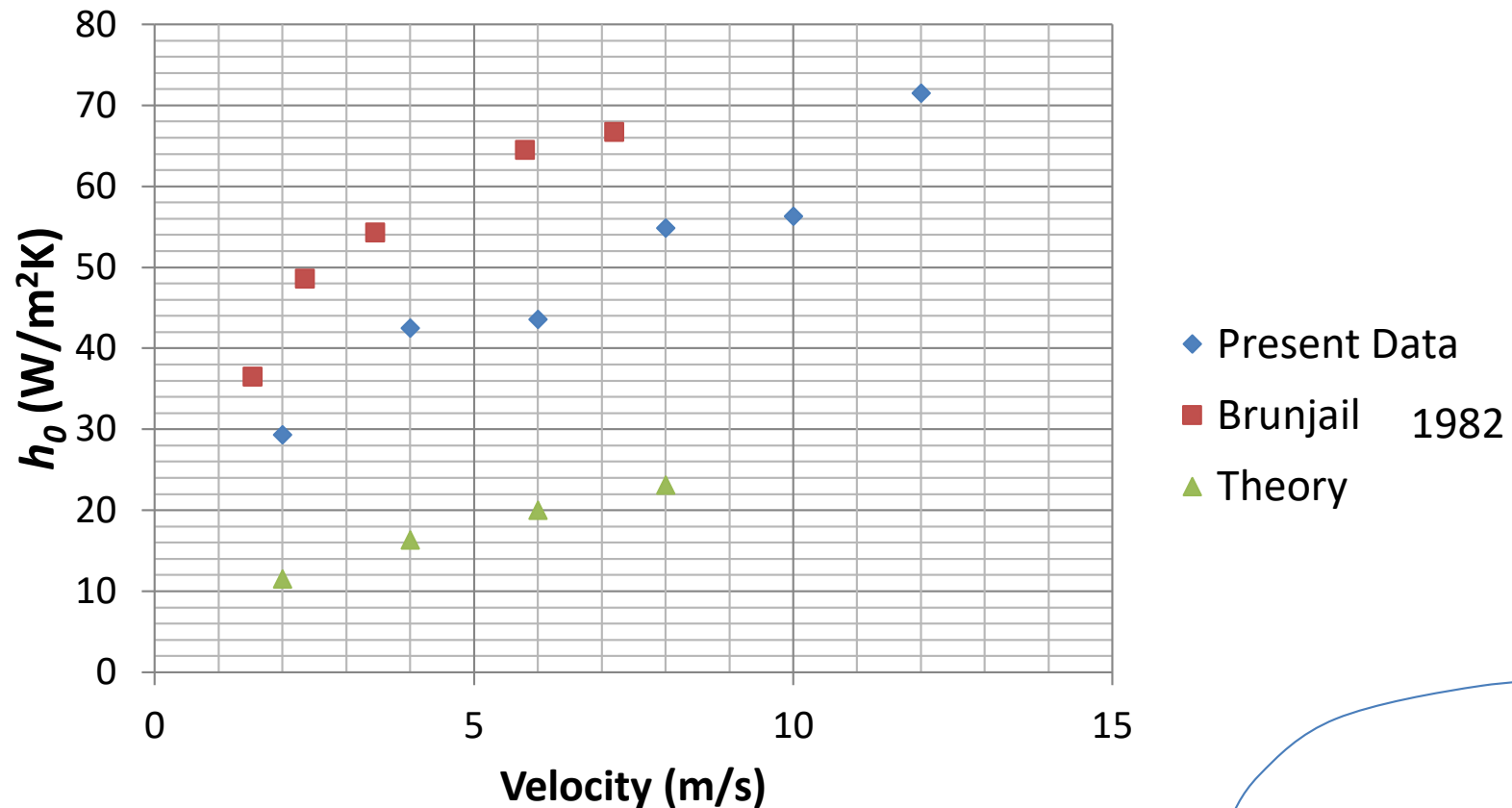
$C = 2630 \text{ J/(m}^2\text{K)}$.



3.3 < Discrepancy (%) < 8.8

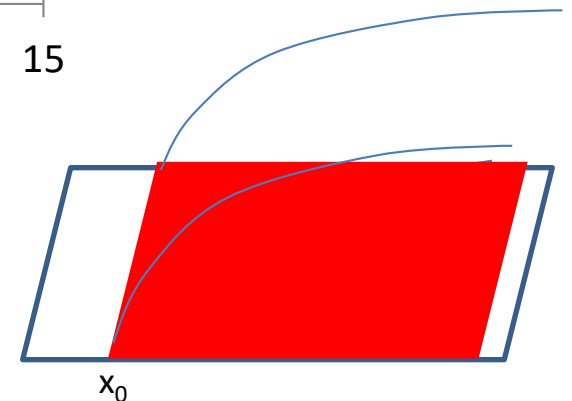
→ the capacitive model (lumped system) is not so bad...

Comparison of local heat transfer coefficient values (h_o) :



Theory [Kaviany 2002] :

$$Nu = \frac{h \cdot x}{\lambda} = 0.332 Pr^{1/3} Re^{1/2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{x_0}{x} \right)^{3/4} \right]^{-1/3}$$

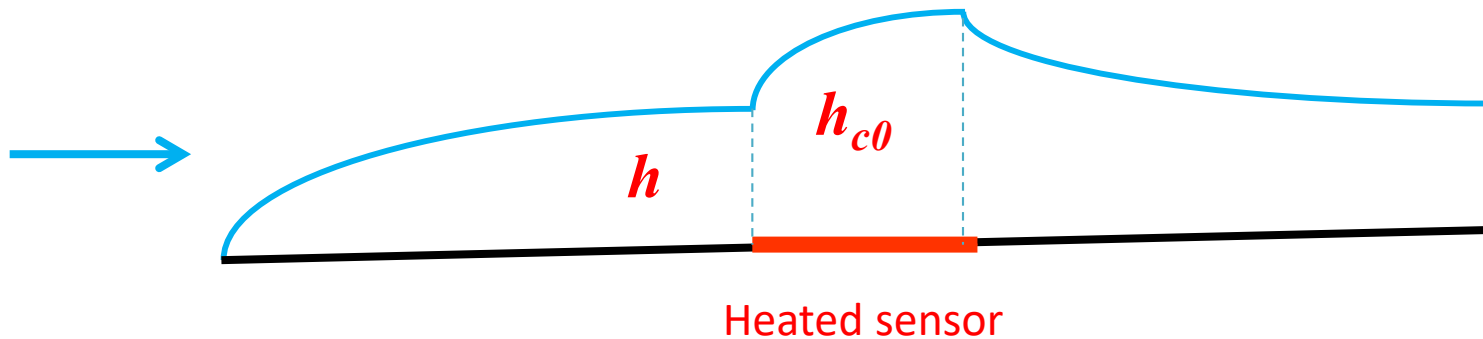


valid for a flat plate with a prescribed temperature and a heating starting at x_0 [Kaviany 2002].

Conclusions

- ✓ New design of an active thermal sensor using thick film → heat capacity of the sensor 20% less than previous one (Brunjail 1982)
- ✓ Here application for building thermal management but could be used in many others industrial situations
- ✓ *On going work :*
 - CFD simulation to take into account the real shape of the sensor
 - Calibration to get the overall heat transfer coefficient h from h_{co} measurement → Implementation of a heated wall in the wind tunnel

- Why a calibration to get the overall heat transfer coefficient h from h_{c0} measurement ?



According to Brunjail 1982: $h = a h_{c0} + b$

→ **Future work:** use of a wind tunnel with a heated wall