

Projet ANR SEPAL (SEchage de Pâtes d'Alumine)

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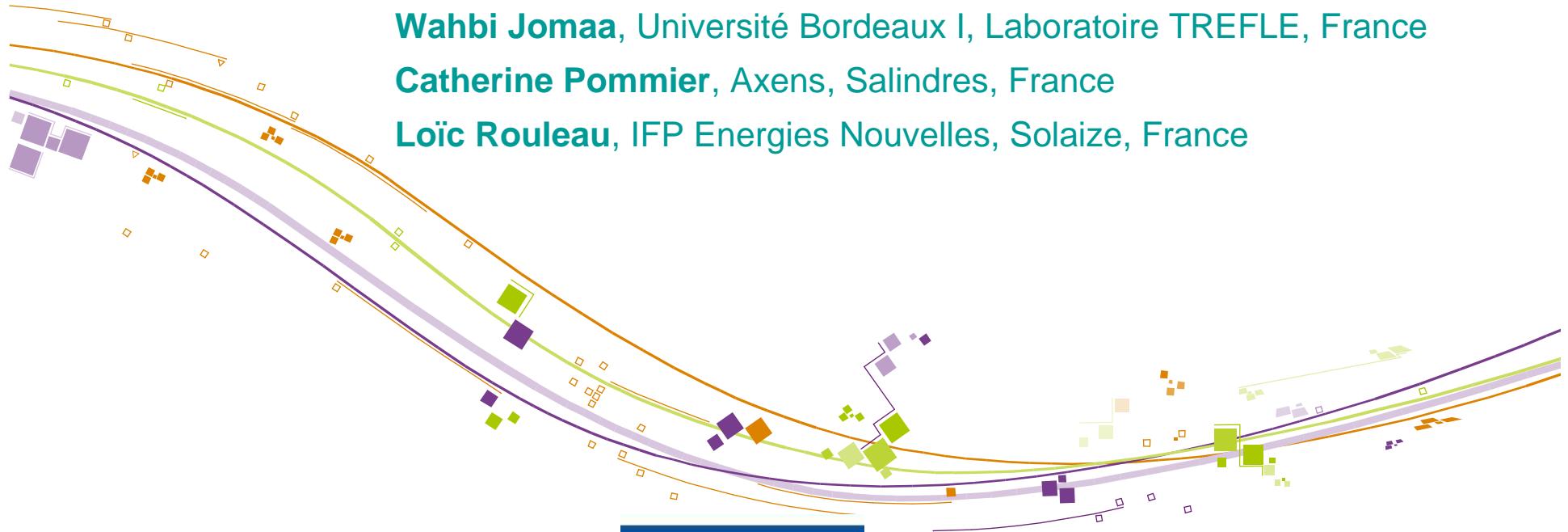
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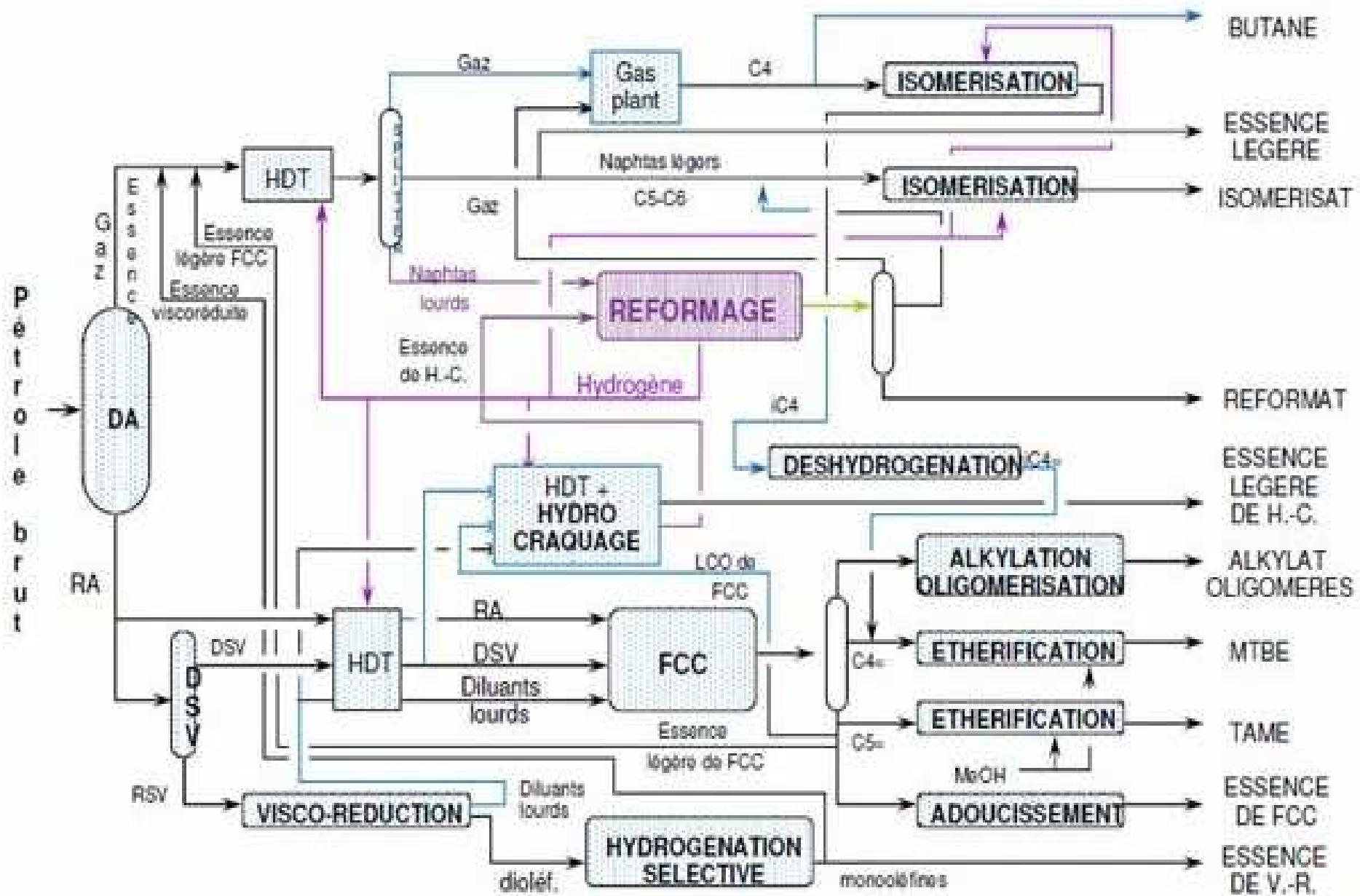
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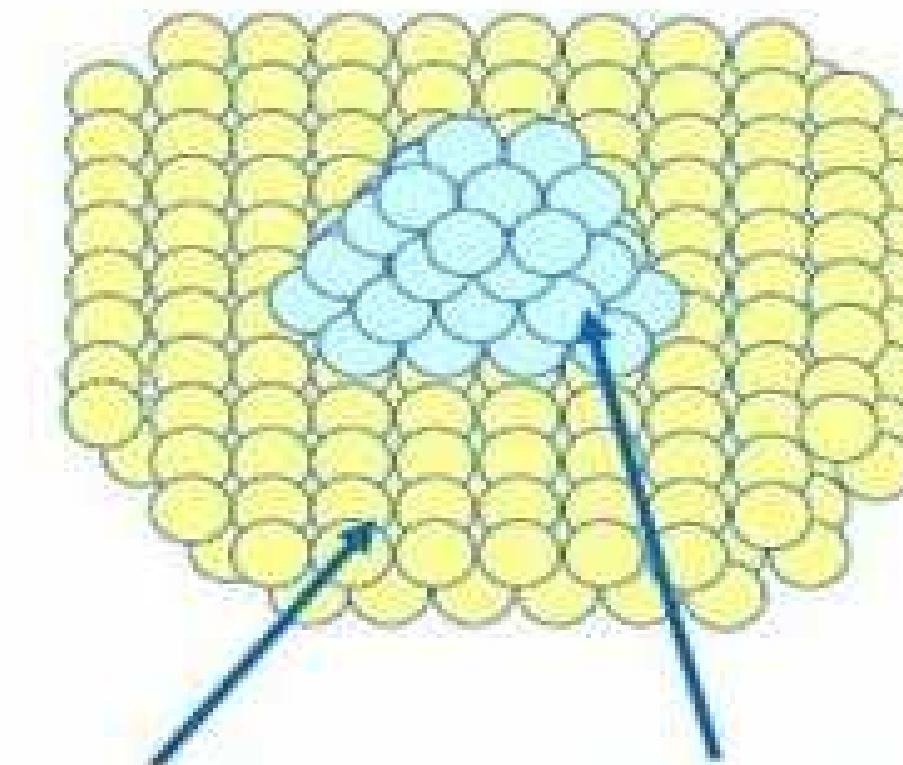
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Intégration du reformage dans la raffinerie



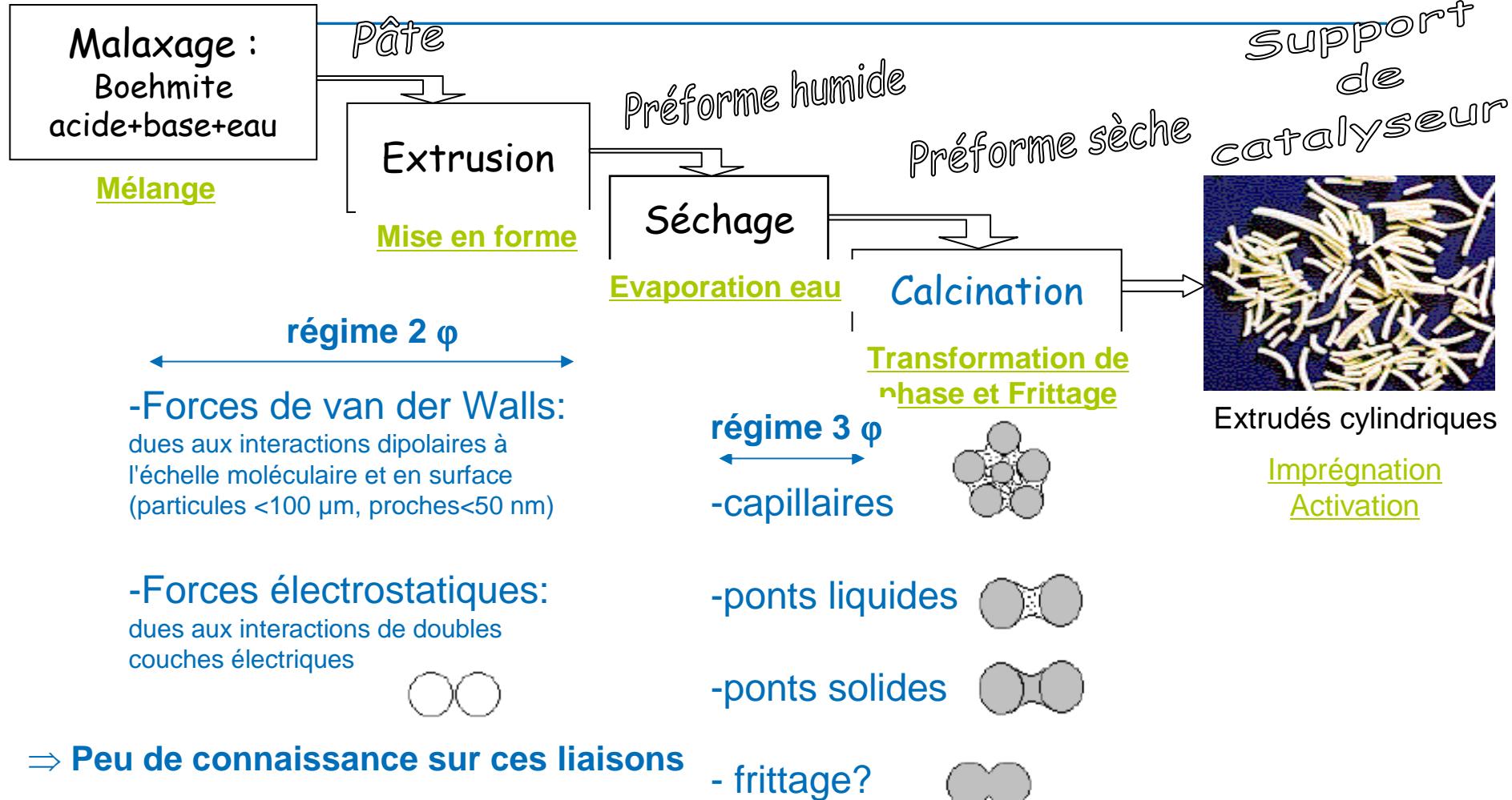
support et catalyse



support

particule

Extrudés : liaisons intercristallites pendant la préparation



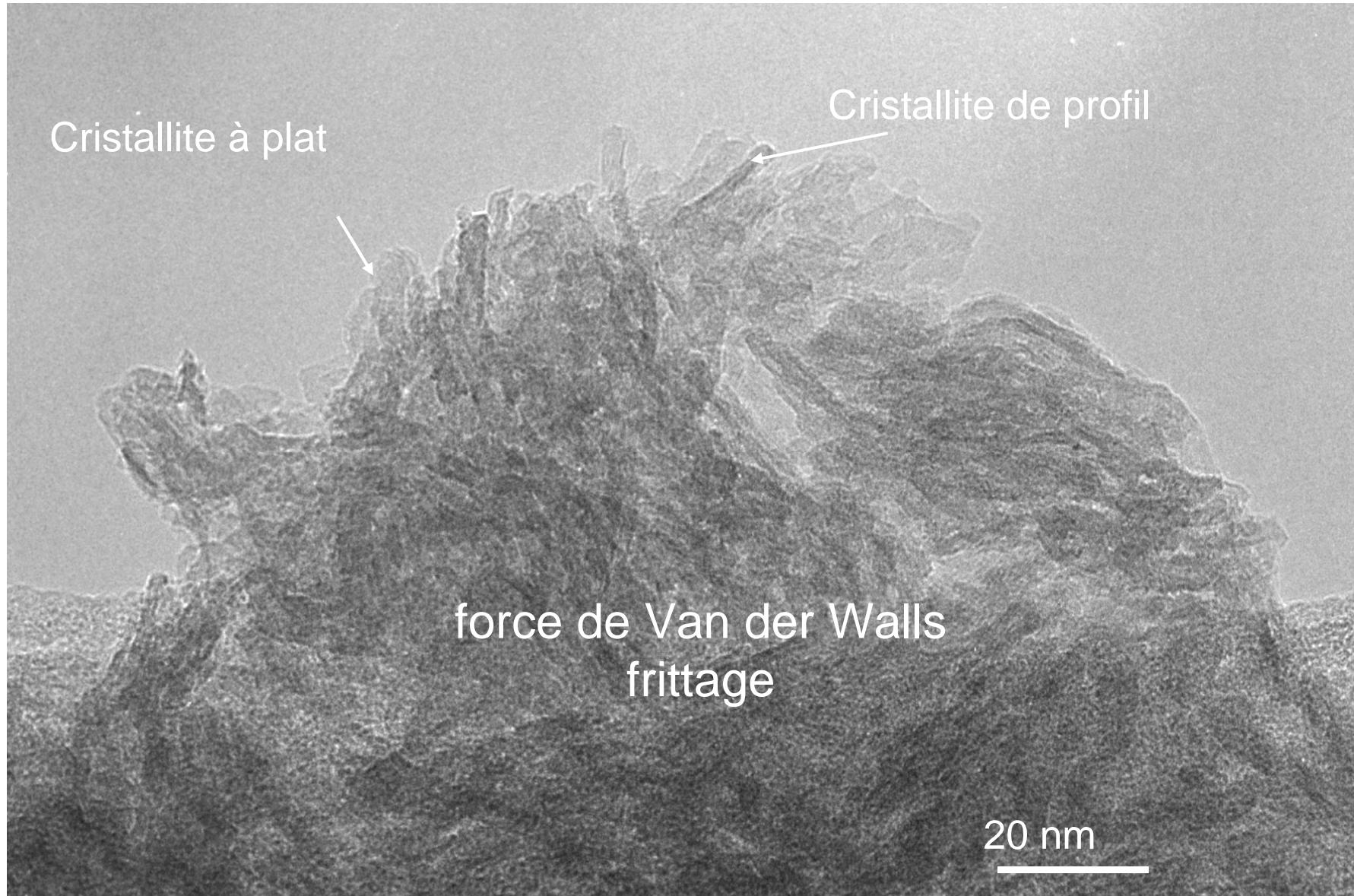
⇒ Peu de connaissance sur ces liaisons

CTI : Séchage de pièces céramiques massives (en général non recyclables)

5 à 10% de pièces rebutées : pertes ~10% Axens 2500 k€/an

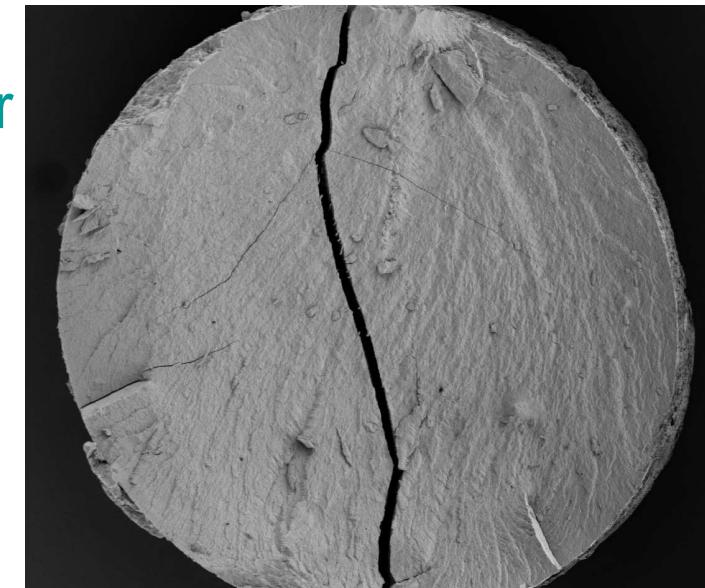
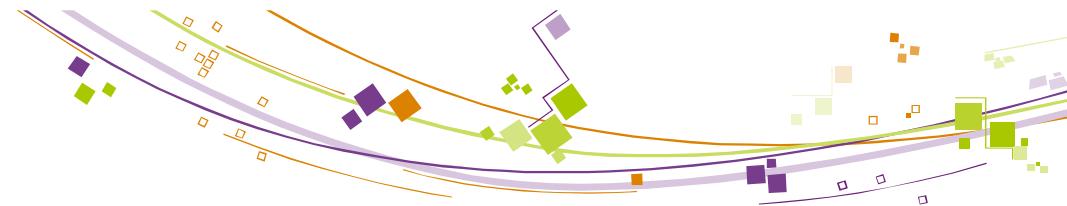
CTI 200 k€/an

Extrudés : cohésion des cristallites

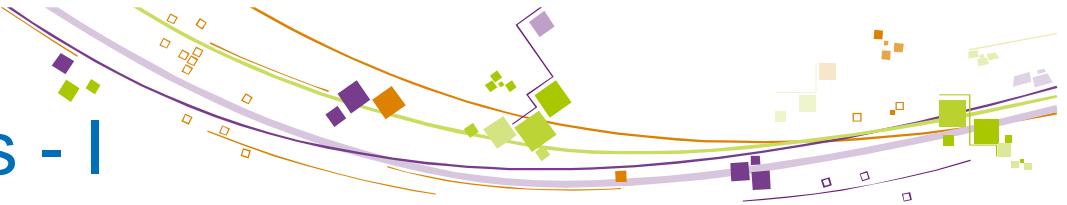


Objectif du projet

- Drying : critical process in terms of mechanical strength
stress tensor can become too much and then produce cracks
- hydral - thermal - mechanical model
with damage law based on experimental measurements
- purpose : to find a dryer command
to minimize the crack number



Mathematical features - I



Assumption : the body is in an equilibrium state

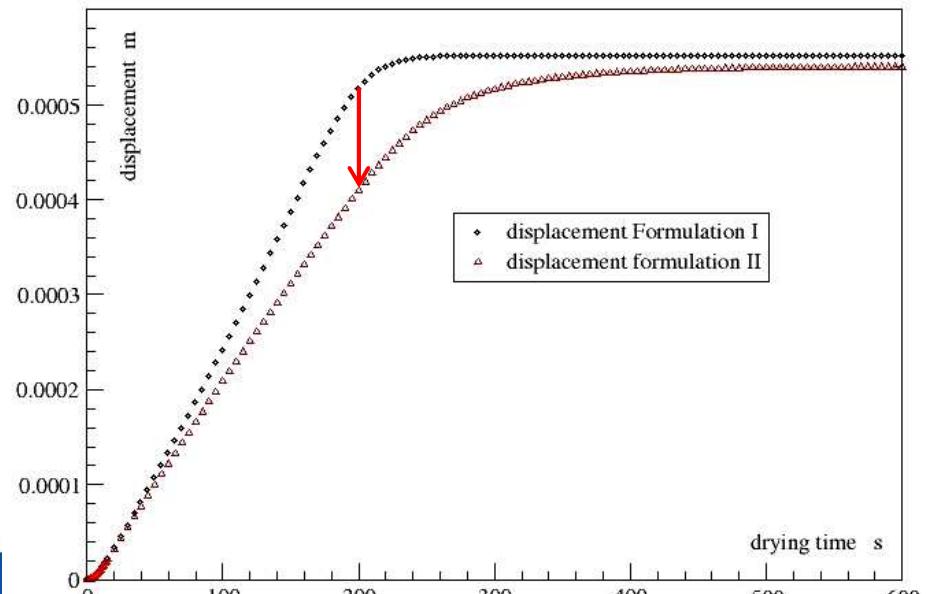
- ✓ mass equilibrium
- ✓ momentum equilibrium
- ✓ energy equilibrium

- liquid–solid coupling
large displacement

$$\sigma_{total} = \sigma_{effective} - P.I$$

- damage law

Tersaghi-Coussy



Mathematical features - II



Boundary conditions

Boundary conditions for mass

$$F_m = h_t (C_{surf} - C_\infty) 10^{-3}$$

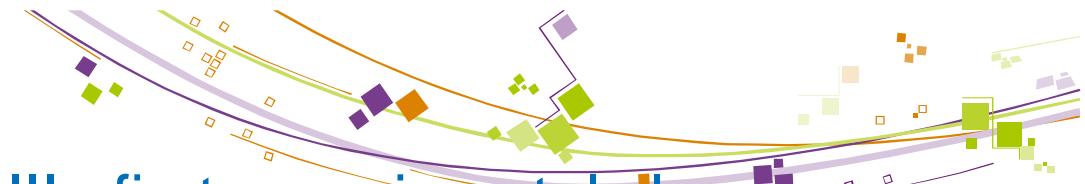
Boundary conditions for momentum

$$\sigma \cdot n = 0$$

Boundary conditions for energy

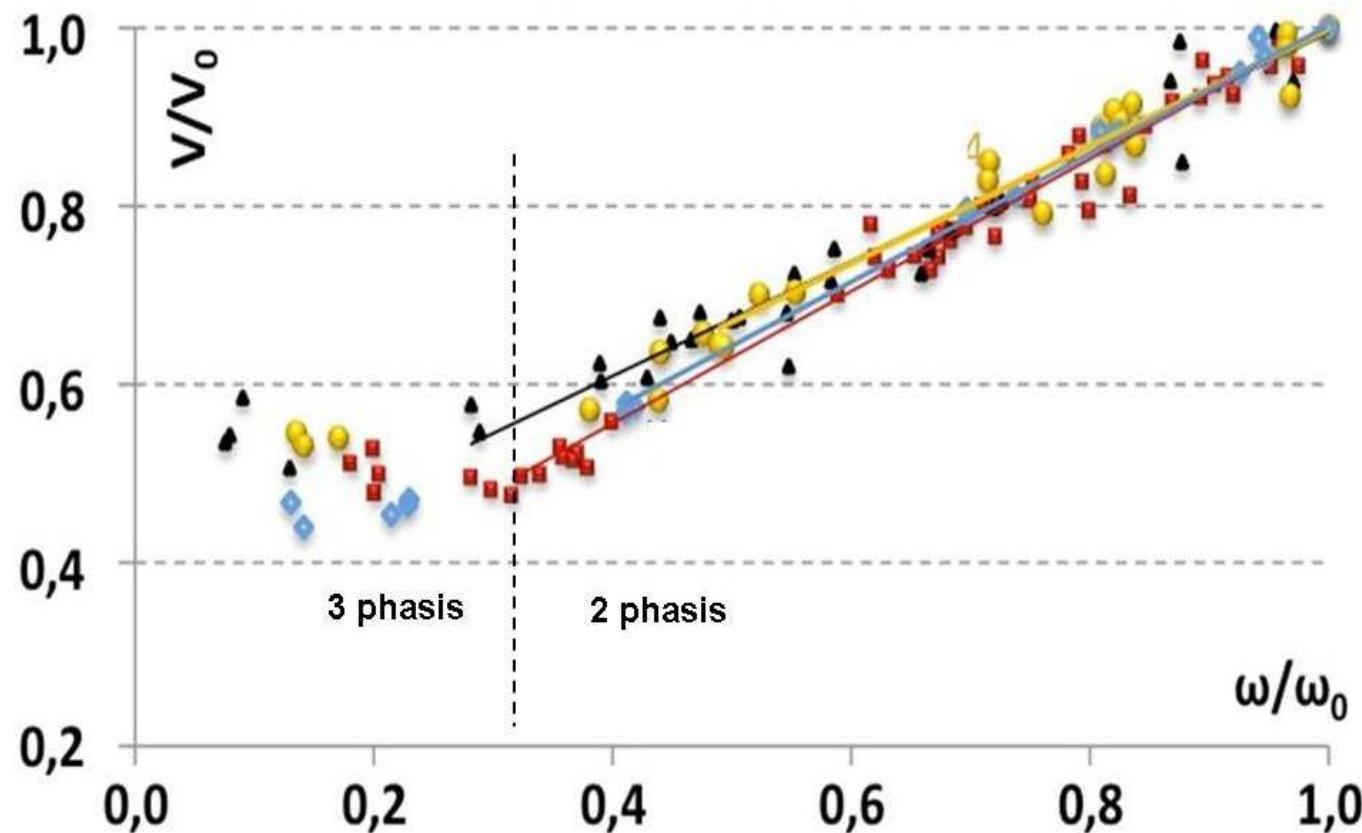
$$\left(\rho c_p \left(v_s^s - k \frac{kr_l}{\mu_l} (\nabla p_l^l - \rho_l^l g) \right) T - \lambda \nabla T \right) \cdot n = h_t (T_{surf} - T_{atm}) - F_m L_v$$



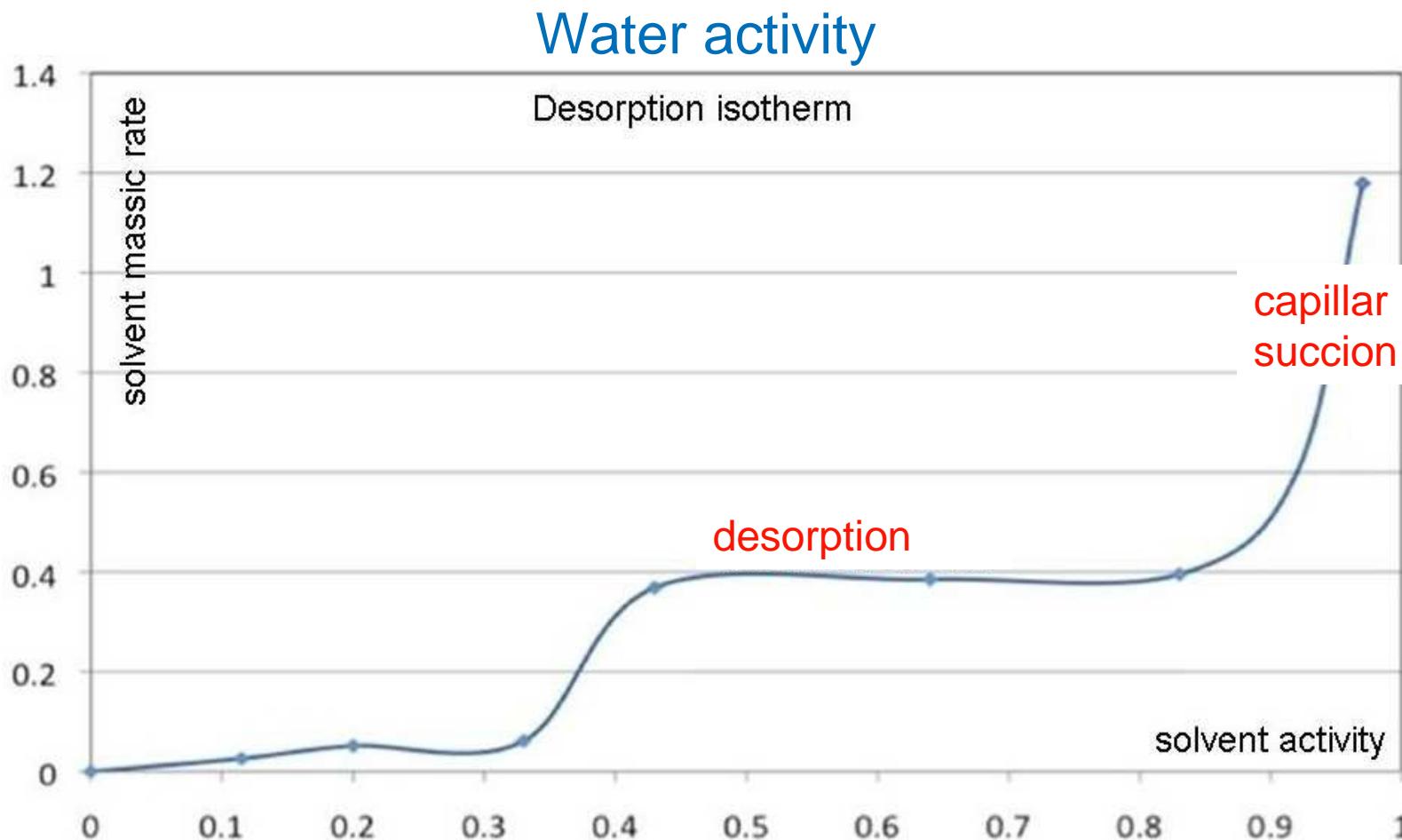


Mathematical aspects – III : first experimental closures

Material Shrinkage

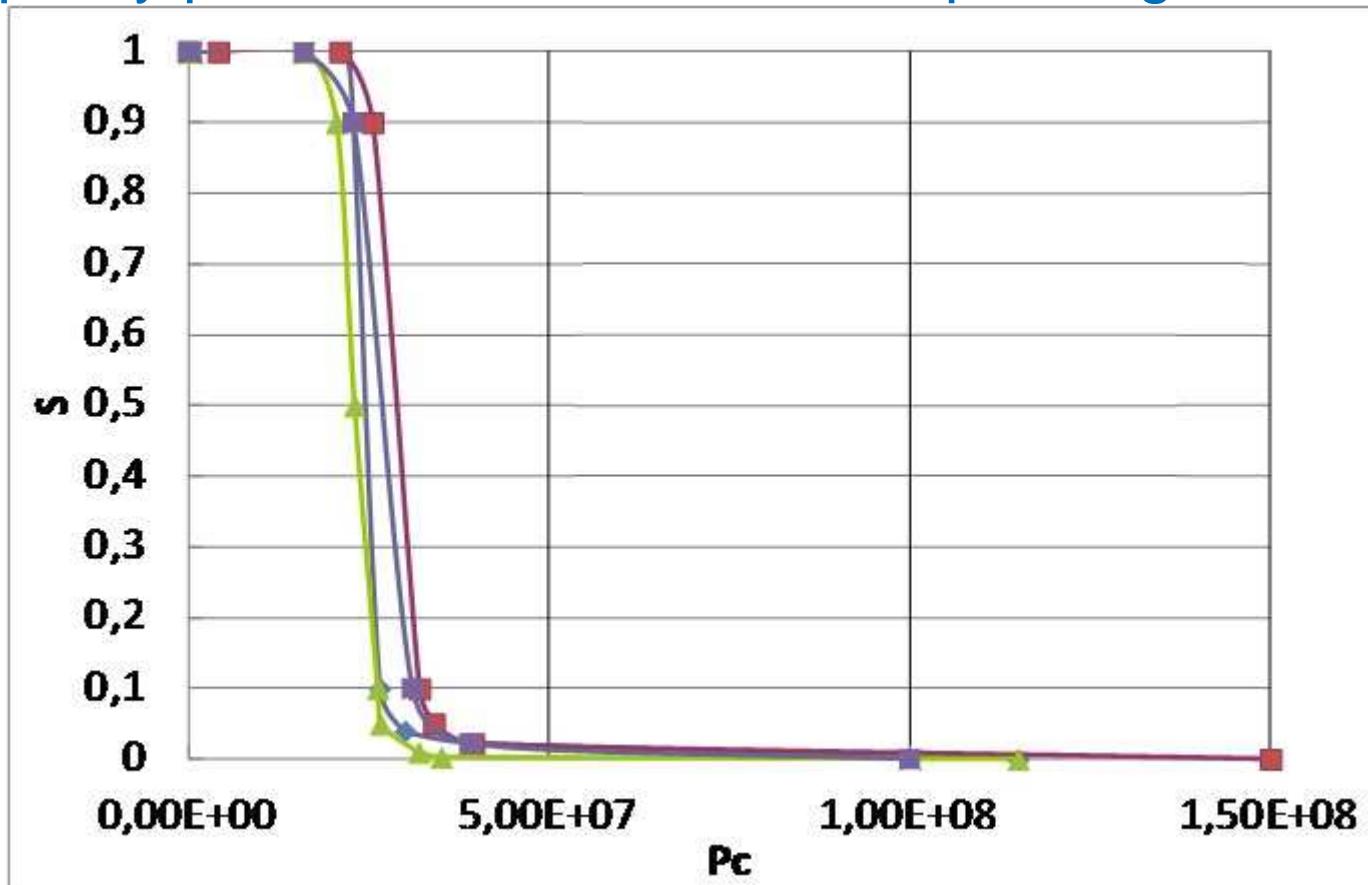


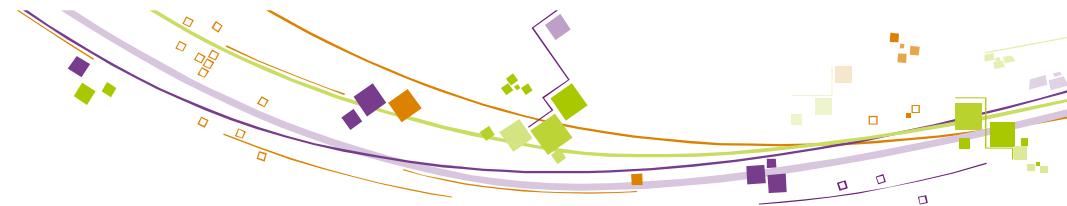
Mathematical aspects – IV : second experimental closures



Mathematical aspects – V : third experimental closures

Capillary pressure for 4 materials depending on saturation





Physical aspects

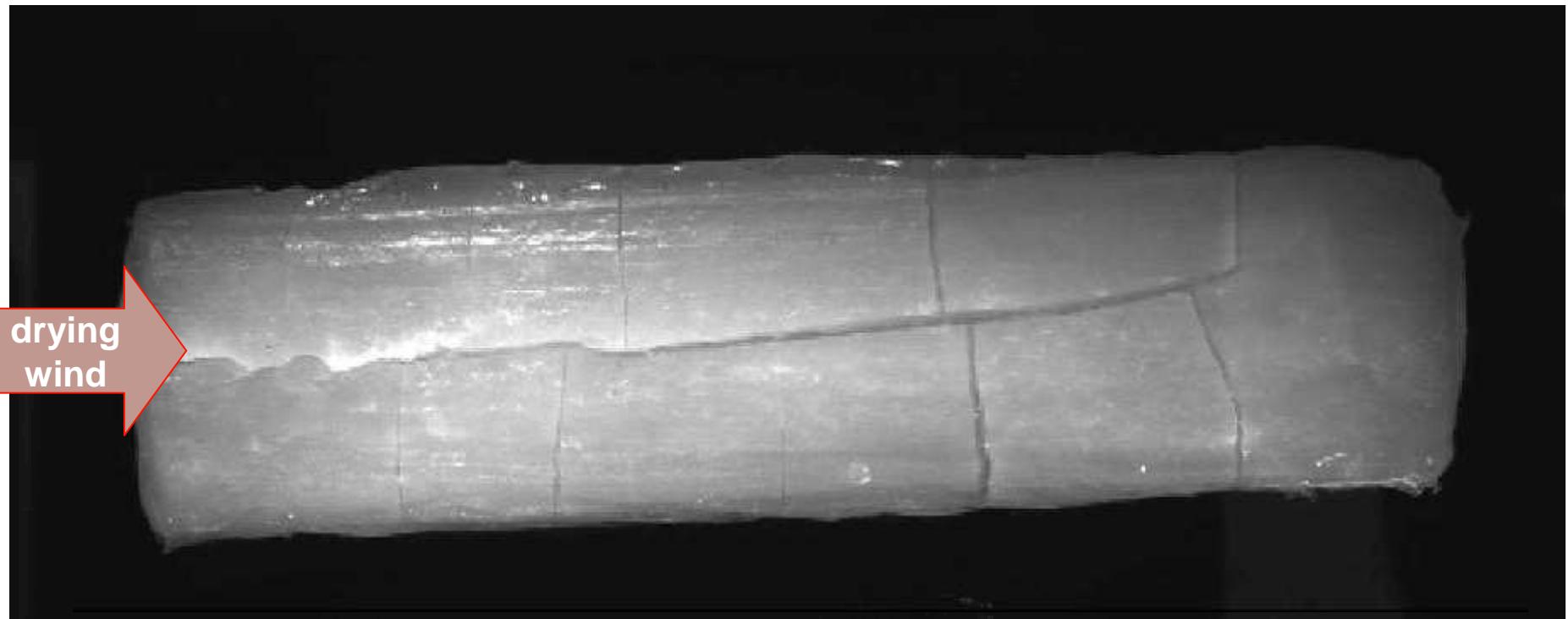
- Solvent is in huge traction in the capillaries
- Solvent properties are depending on temperature and pressure.
- Solvent is in metastable state
- Use of Mercury-Tardy model

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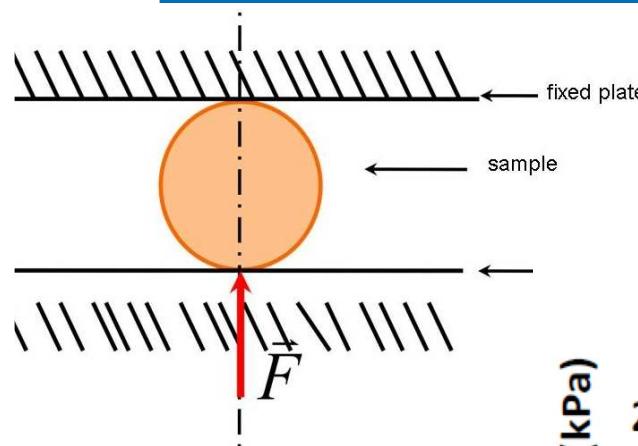
- Compressibilities are taken into account with benefit on the drying time ~20%
on the pde equation stability

Damage approach - I



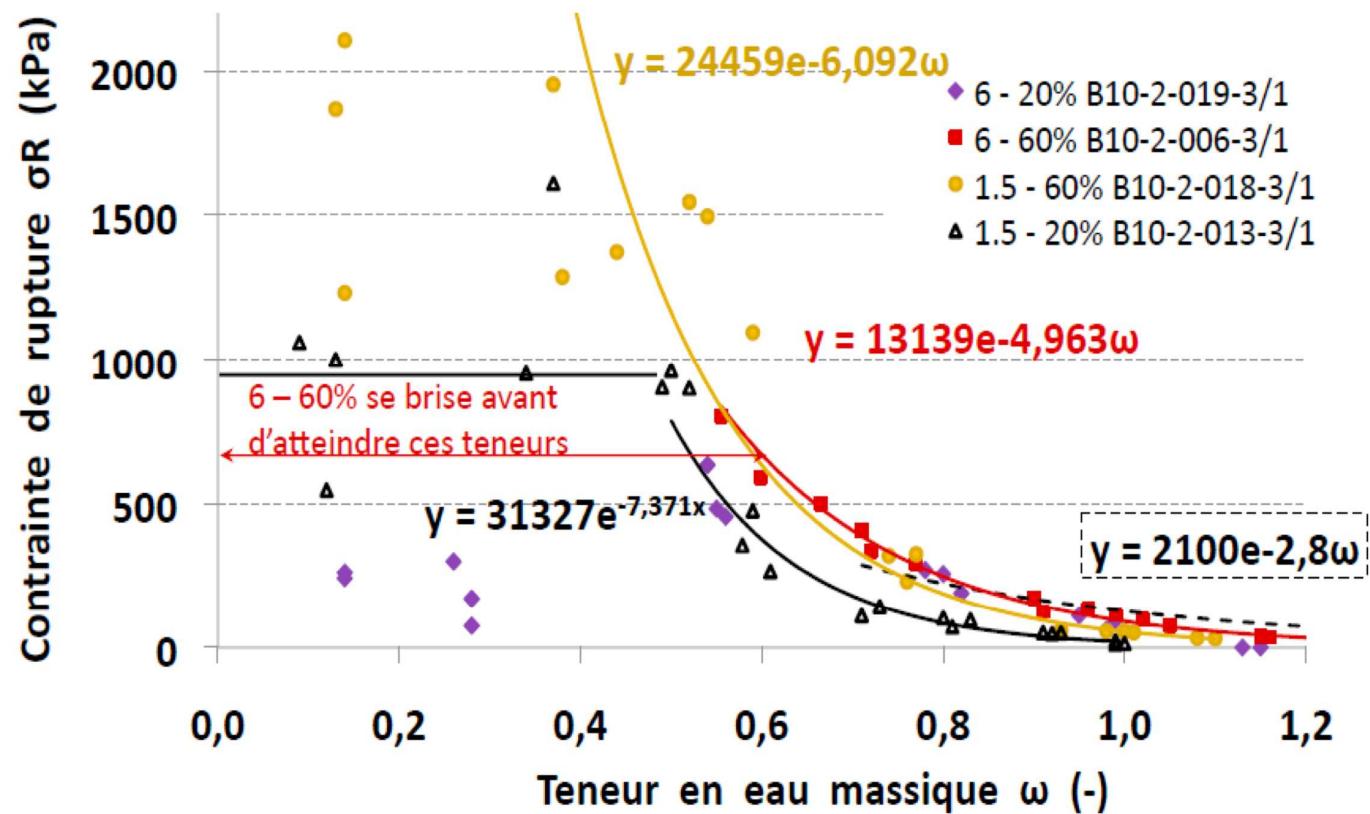
experimental movie

Damage approach – II : Brazilian test

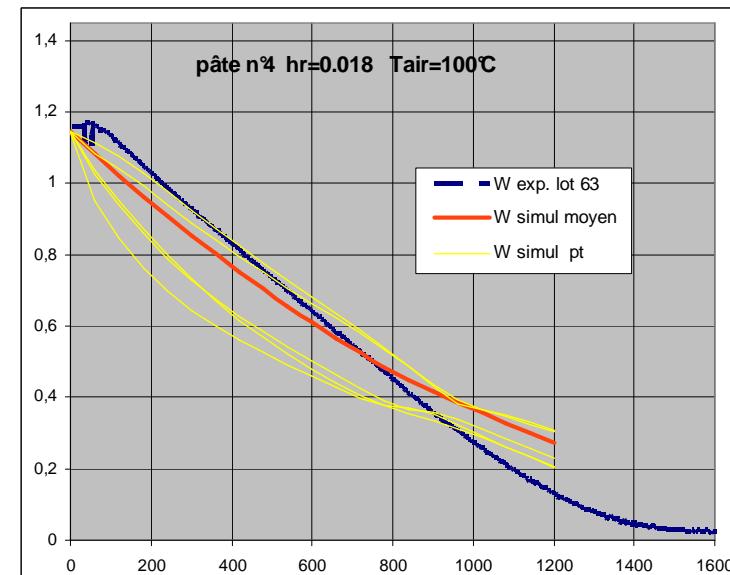
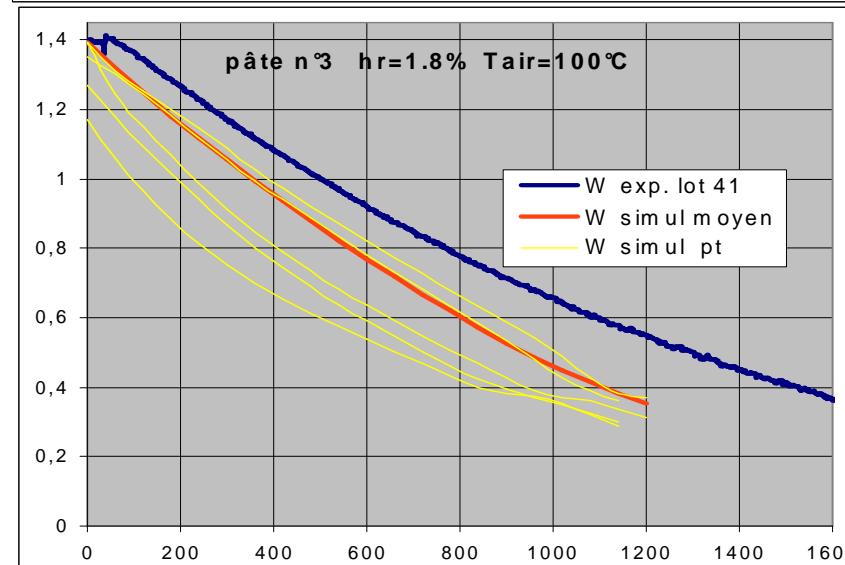
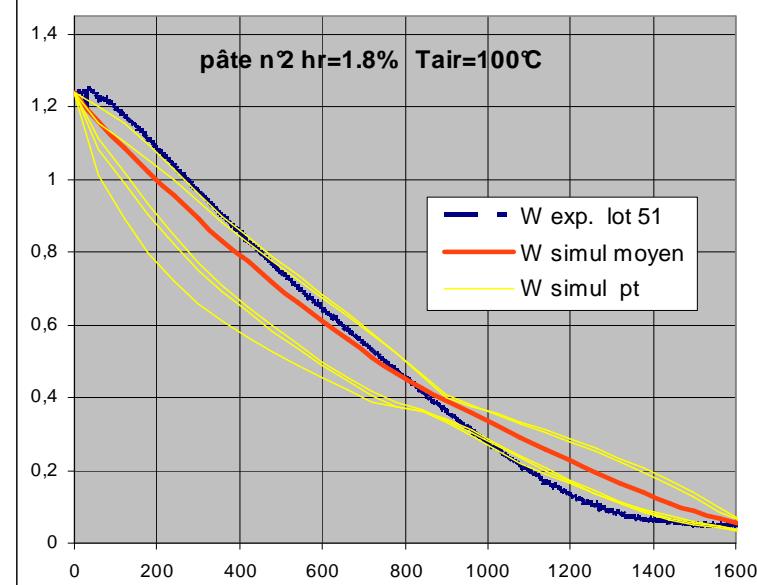
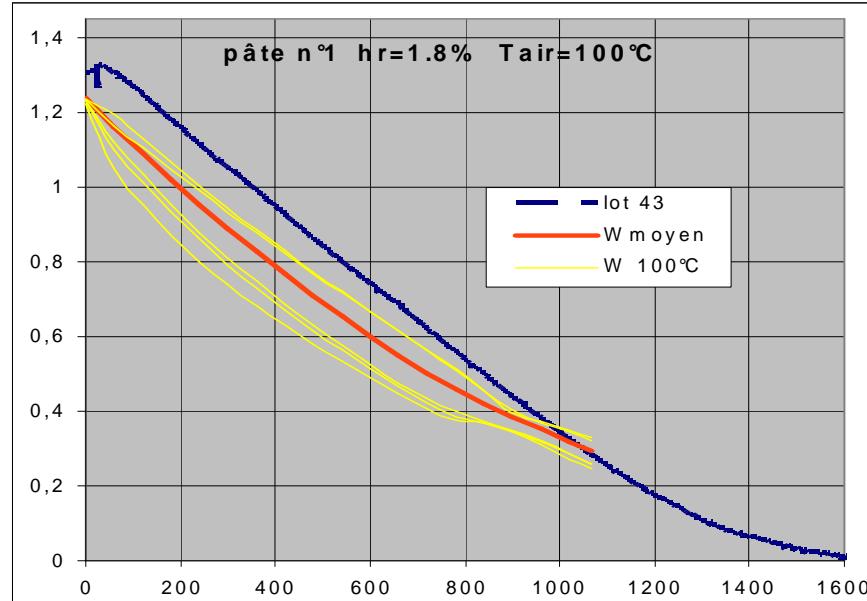


$$\sigma = 2F/\pi DL$$

Evolution de la contrainte de rupture en fonction de la teneur en eau

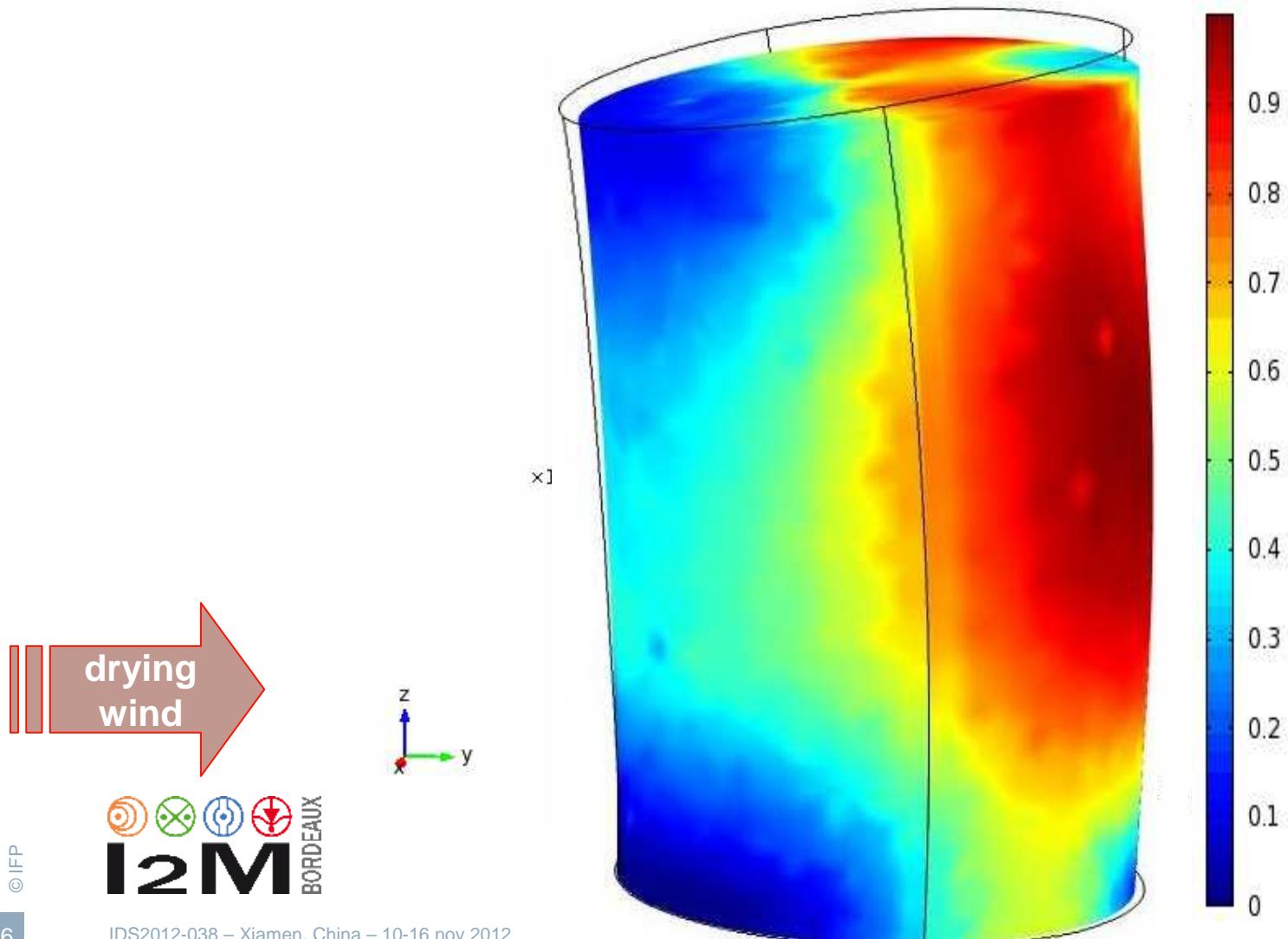


Simulation validation I : Echelle millimétrique



Simulation validation III : Echelle millimétrique

damage evolution during drying



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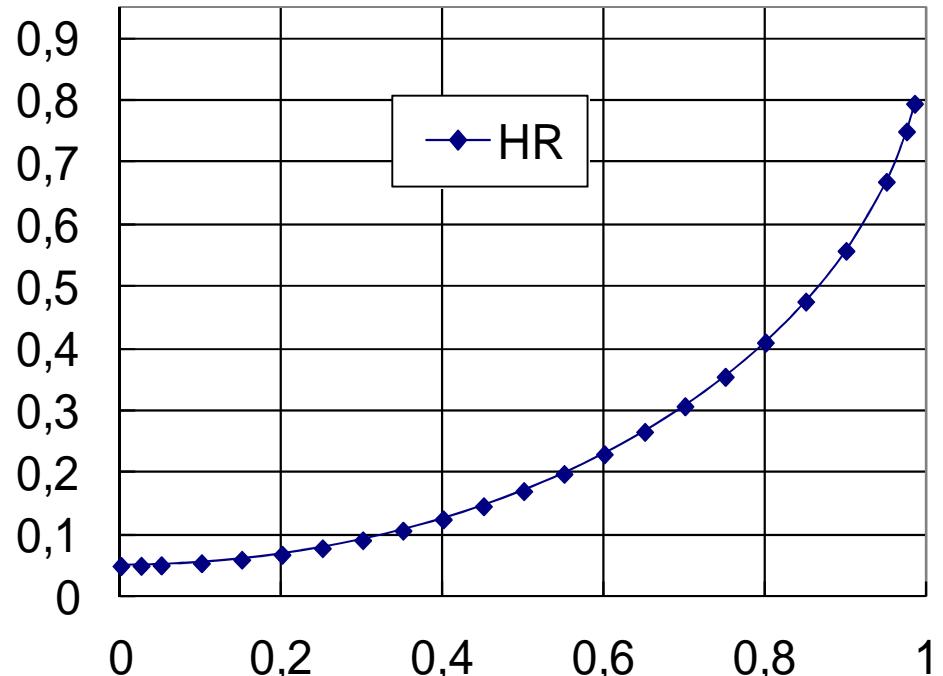
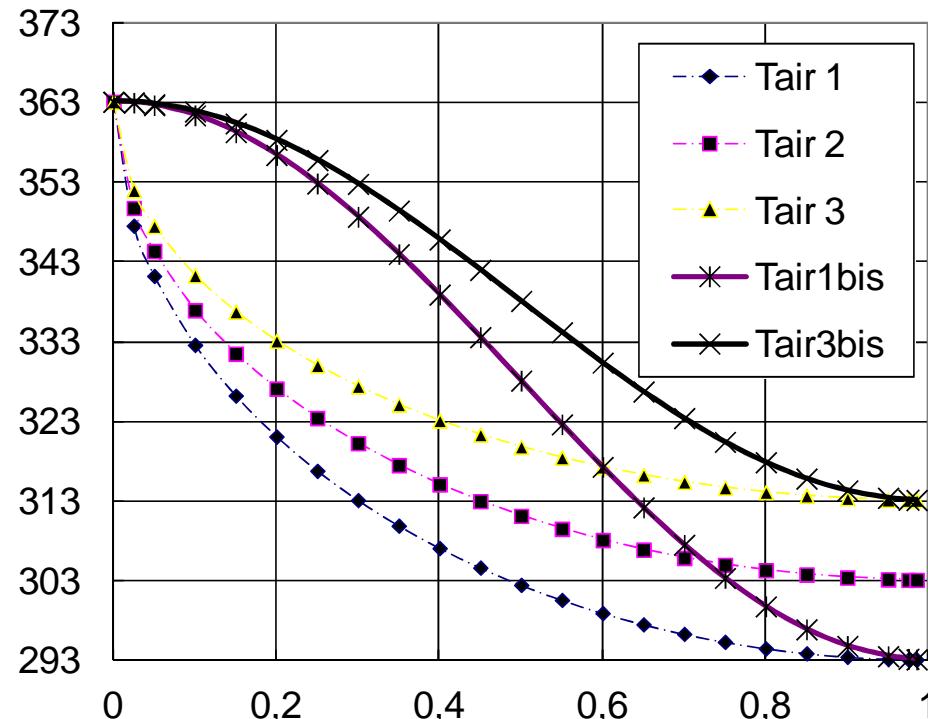
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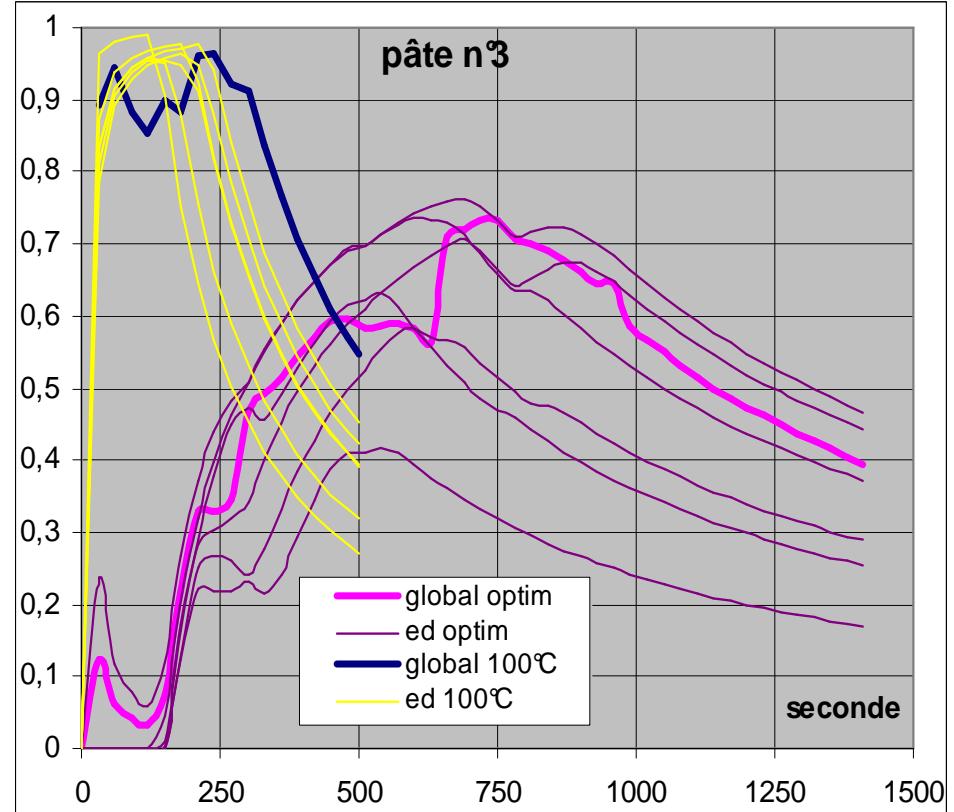
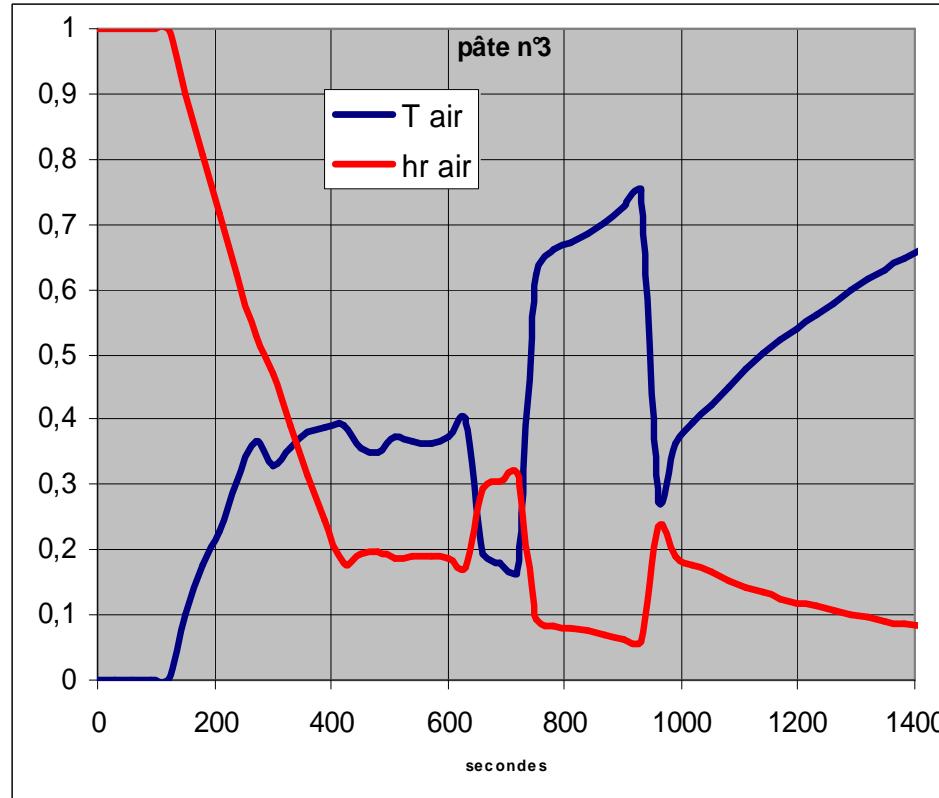
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Dryer control - I : control laws of the dryer

Temperature and relative humidity control as function of damage



Dryer control – II : Results



Conclusions

- Model represents complex phenomenologies
Darcy and Fick flows, evaporation, capillary succion,
large negative pressures, large displacement,
forecast pssible damage of the structure
- Experimental closures are stiff
- Model is validated
- Damage law is relevant but needs improvement
- Control as carried out, allows to manage the dryer in
order to minimize the cracks.

