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Microwave drying of cellular ceramic substrates:
A conjugate modeling approach to understand
surface moisture migration

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Founded:

1851

Headquarters:

Corning, New York

Employees:

~ 26,000 worldwide

2010 Sales:

\$6.6 Billion

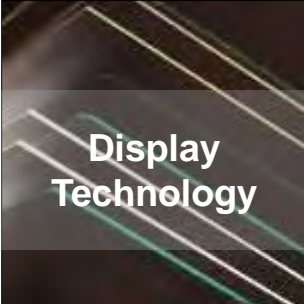





Fortune 500 Rank (2011):

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- Corning is the world leader in specialty glass and ceramics.
- We create and make keystone components that enable high-technology systems for consumer electronics, mobile emissions control, telecommunications, and life sciences.
- We succeed through sustained investment in R&D, 160 years of materials science and process engineering knowledge, and a distinctive collaborative culture.

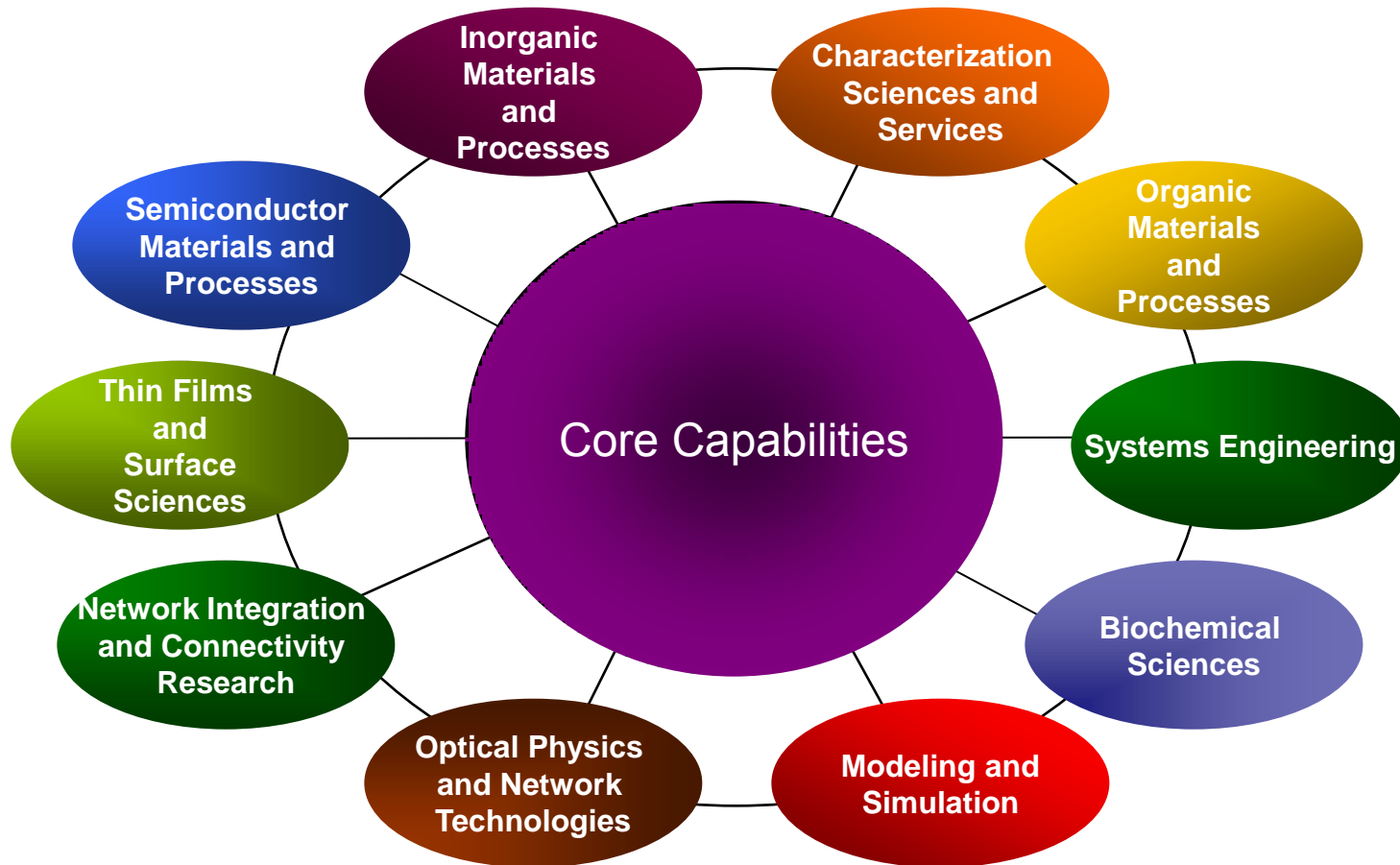


Corning Market Segments and Additional Operations

 Display Technology	 Telecom	 Environmental Technologies	 Life Sciences	 Specialty Materials	 Other Products & Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCD Glass Substrates • Glass Substrates for OLED and LTPS-LCD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optical Fiber & Cable • Hardware & Equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiber optic connectivity products 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emissions Control Products <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light-duty gasoline vehicles • Light-duty and heavy-duty on-road diesel vehicles • Heavy-duty non-road diesel vehicles • Stationary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cell Culture & Bioprocess • Assay & High-Throughput Screening • Genomics & Proteomics • General Laboratory Products 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corning® Gorilla® Glass • Display Optics & Components • Optical Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Semiconductor materials • Specialty fiber • Polarcor™ • Optics • Aerospace and Defense • Ophthalmic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emerging Display Technology • Drug Discovery Technology • New Business Development • Equity Companies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cormetech, Inc. • Dow Corning Corp. • Eurokera, S.N.C. • Samsung Corning Precision Materials Co., LTD (SCP)

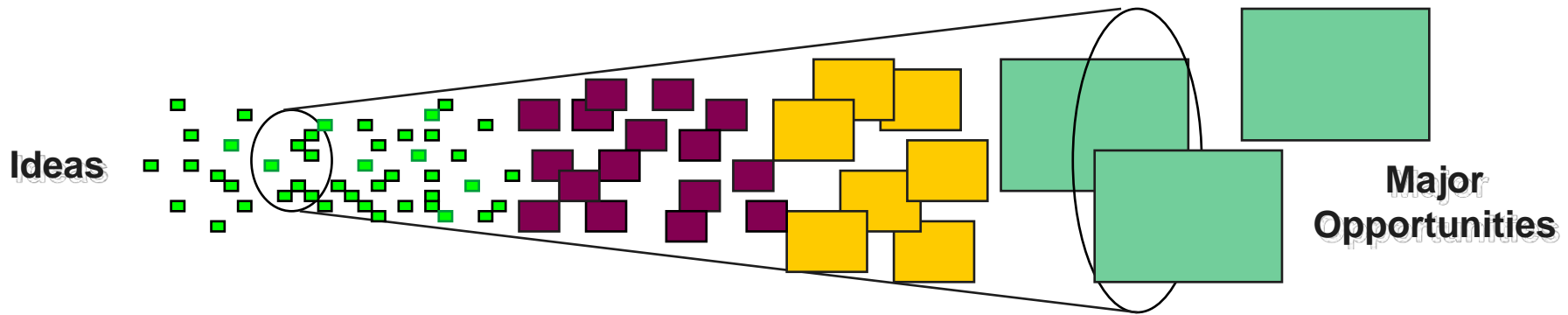
Research & Development

Corning's strength is based on a broad portfolio of core technologies...

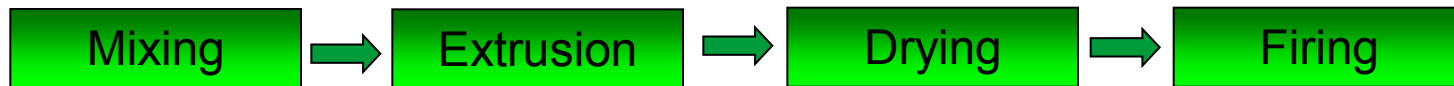


... and the ability to integrate them.

Research & Development Pipeline Management

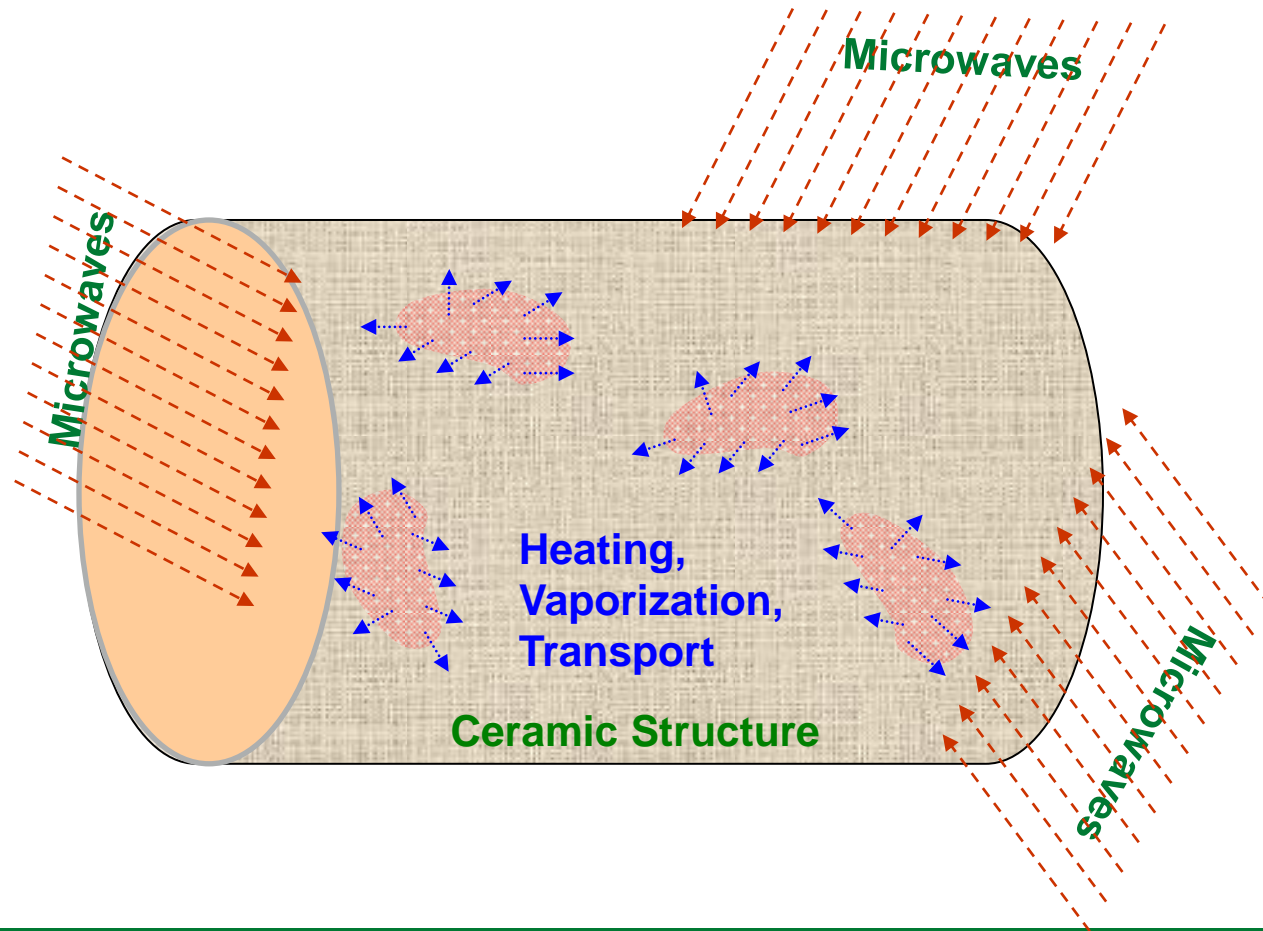


Microwave drying of ceramic substrates



- ✦ Microwave drying is one of the steps in the process
 - Faster and cheaper
- ✦ Models are critical in analysis and optimization

How is microwave drying taking place?



Transport Model: Porous Media Assumption

Water

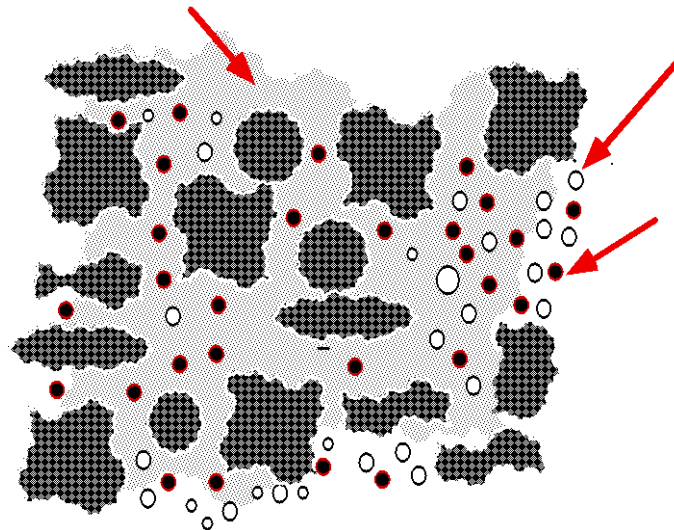
- ✚ Pressure driven
- ✚ Capillarity (sat, temp) driven

Equilibrium

- ✚ Moisture & vapor pressure

Energy

- ✚ Convection & Conduction
- ✚ Evaporation
- ✚ Microwave absorption



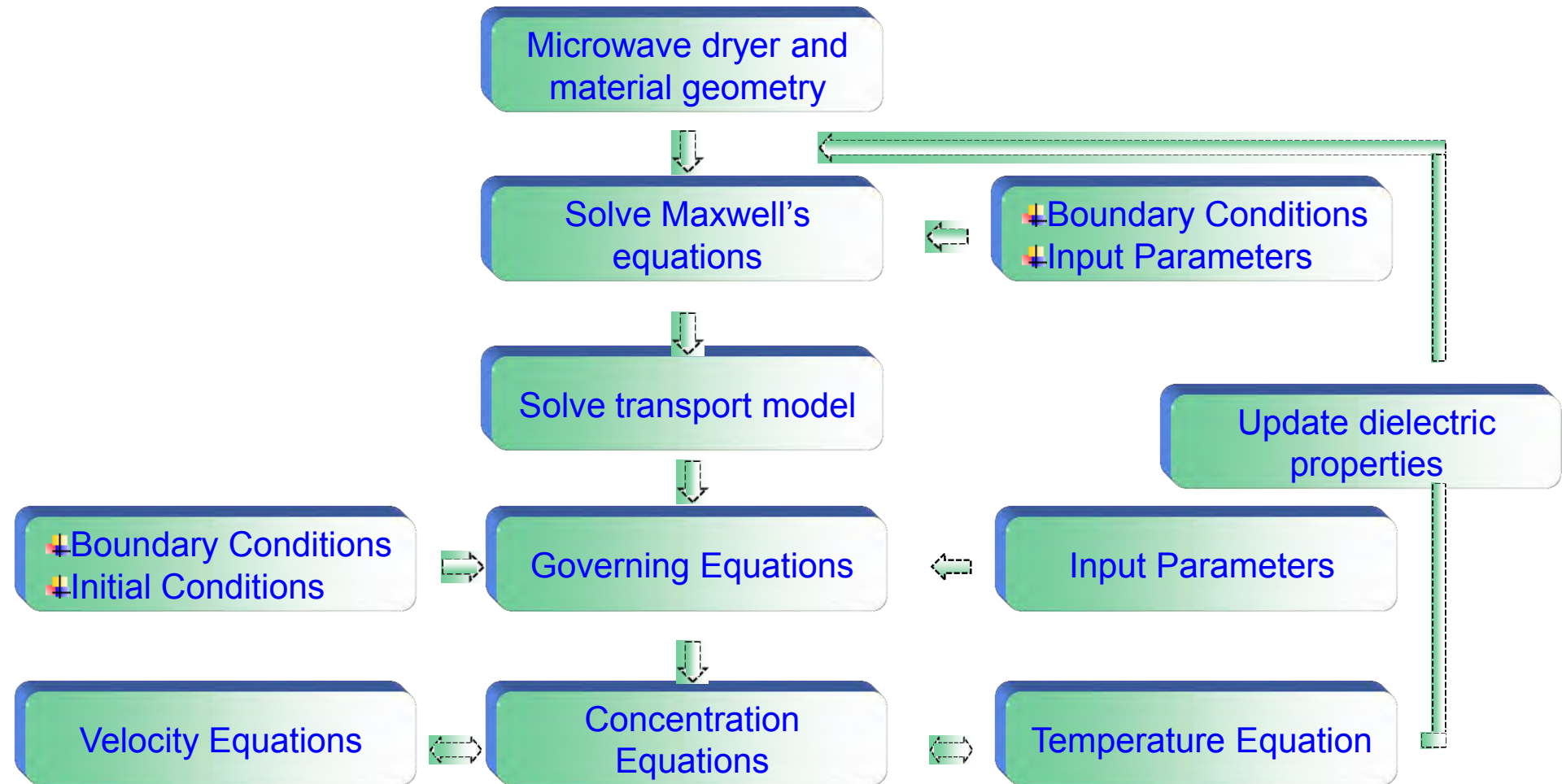
Vapor

- ✚ Pressure driven
- ✚ Diffusion in air

Air

- ✚ Pressure driven
- ✚ Diffusion in vapor

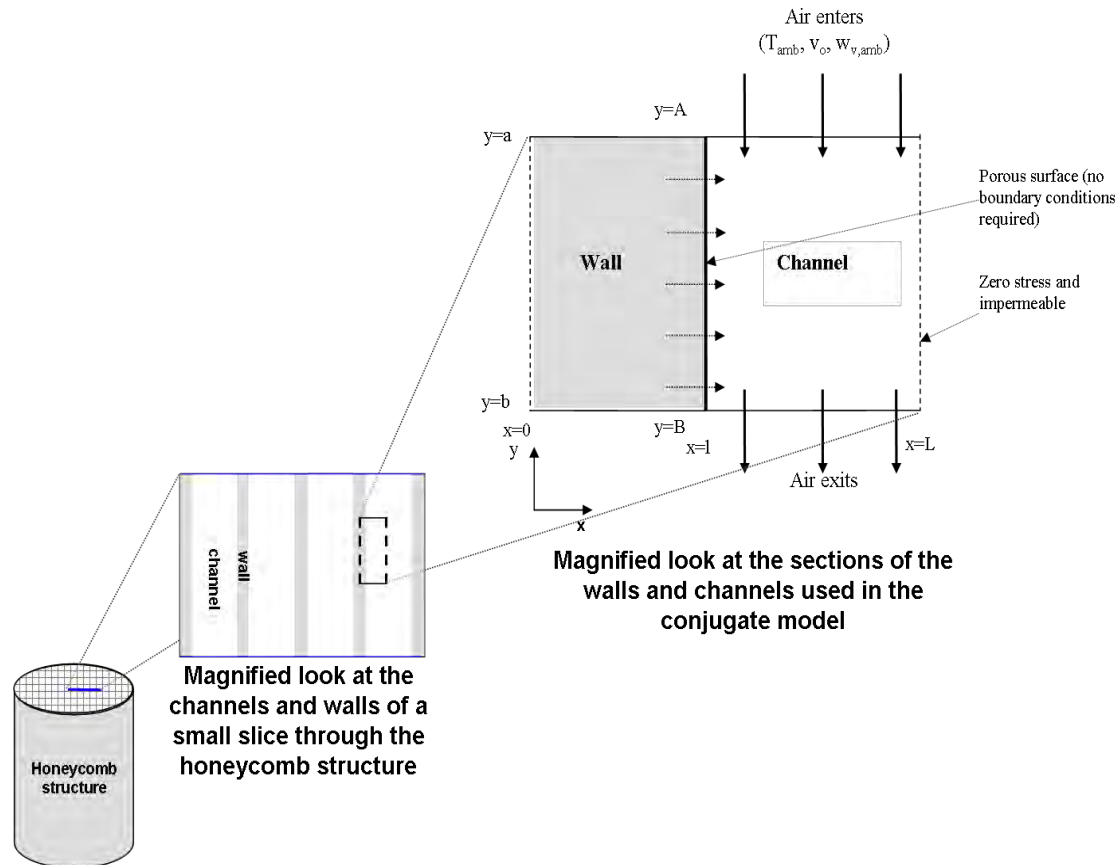
Modeling Strategy



Require a robust model

- ✦ Computationally intensive if all physics included
- ✦ Reduce the problem to include important physics
 - Experiments
 - Modeling
 - Micro scale models
- ✦ Reduced model
 - Robust
 - Scale up easier

Conjugate model (half channel + half wall)



Multiphase heat and mass transport model: Equations

Liquid phase and
Gas phase mass
balance

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi \rho_w S_w) + \nabla \cdot (\overline{n_w}) = -\dot{i}$$

$$S_w + S_g = 1$$

$$\overline{n_w} = -\rho_w \frac{k_w^p}{\mu_w} \nabla(P - P_{cap}) = -\rho_w \frac{k_w^p}{\mu_w} \nabla P + \rho_w \frac{k_w^p}{\mu_w} \nabla P_{cap} = -\rho_w \frac{k_w^p}{\mu_w} \nabla P - D_w \nabla c_w$$

$$\dot{i} = K(\rho_{v,eq} - \rho_v) S_g \phi$$

Mass balance of
Air and Vapor in
the gas phase

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi S_g S_g \omega_v) + \nabla \cdot (\overline{u_g} \rho_g \omega_v) = \phi S_g \frac{C_g^2}{\rho_g} M_v M_a D_g \nabla x_v + \dot{i}$$

$$\omega_v + \omega_a = 1$$

Momentum balance
of gas phase

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi S_g \rho_g u_g) + \nabla \cdot ((\phi S_g)^2 \rho_g u_g u_g) = -\nabla P - (\phi S_g) \frac{\mu_g}{k_g^p} u_g + \mu_e \nabla^2 u_g$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi \rho_g S_g) + \nabla \cdot (\overline{u_g} \rho_g) = \dot{i}$$

Energy balance of
mixture

$$\rho_{eff} C_{p,eff} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + (C_{p,fluid} \overline{n_{fluid}}) \nabla T = \nabla \cdot (k_{eff} \nabla T) + \lambda \dot{i} + Q$$

Comsol Implementation

Convection and
diffusion equation

Scalar expressions

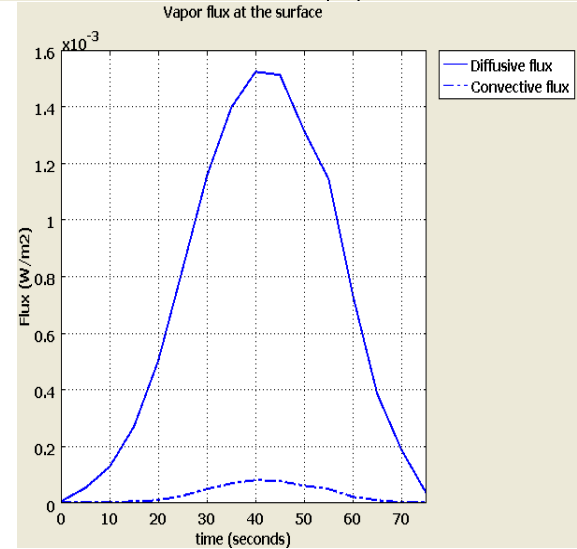
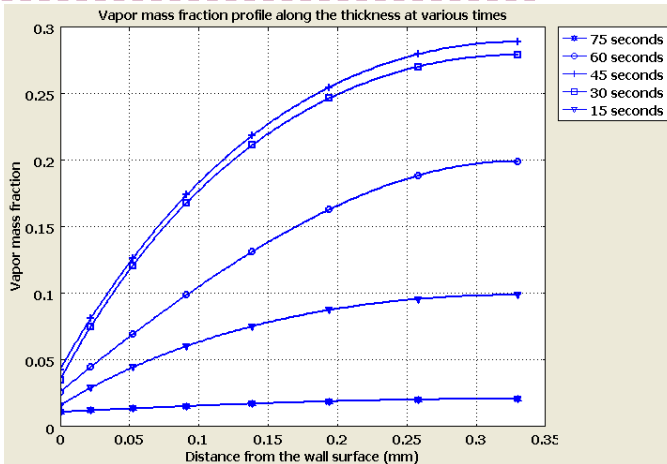
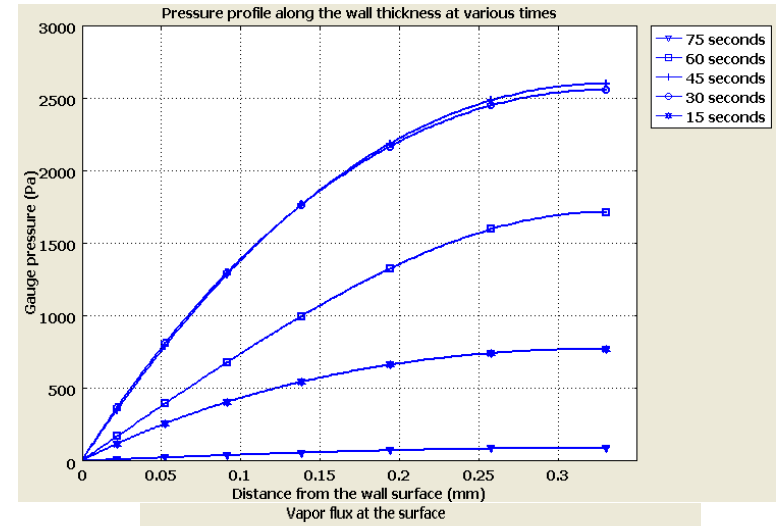
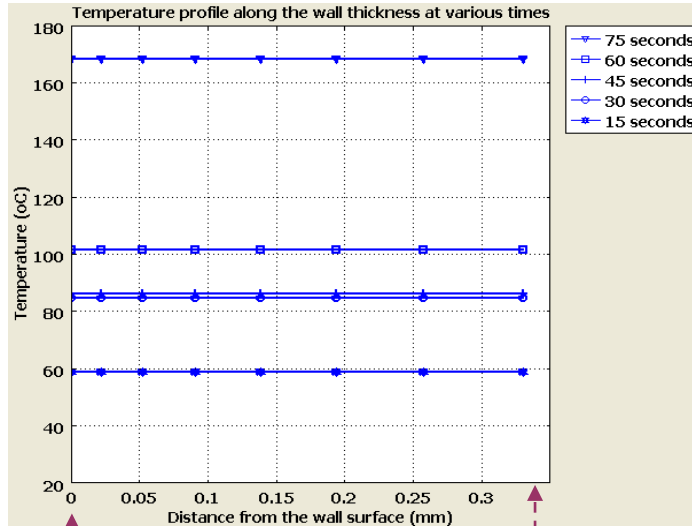
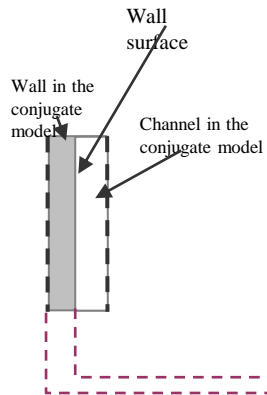
Stefan-Maxwell's multi
species diffusion equation

Weakly compressible
Navior-Stokes equation

Conduction and convection
equation

Results:

Transient pressure and mass flux profiles along the wall



Conclusions

- ✦ Micro scale model of one channel and one wall developed
- ✦ Model is qualitatively validated against experiments
- ✦ Fundamental understanding of drying phenomenon is enhanced by using conjugate model