

# Numerical modeling of the convection and degassing of a magma system: the case of the Erebus lava lake, Antarctica

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General objective:

Can we simulate the permanent convection at Erebus?

1. Introduction and objectives
2. Numerical modeling
  - a) The role of crystals
  - b) The role of bubbles
3. General conclusions

# 1. Introduction

## Erebus volcano

Mount Erebus



- Phonolitic lava lake
- Steady state (e.g.,  
*Kyle, 1977; Kelly et al, 2008, Oppenheimer et al, 2009*)
- Window of the magmatic system



### Explosive degassing (strombolian)

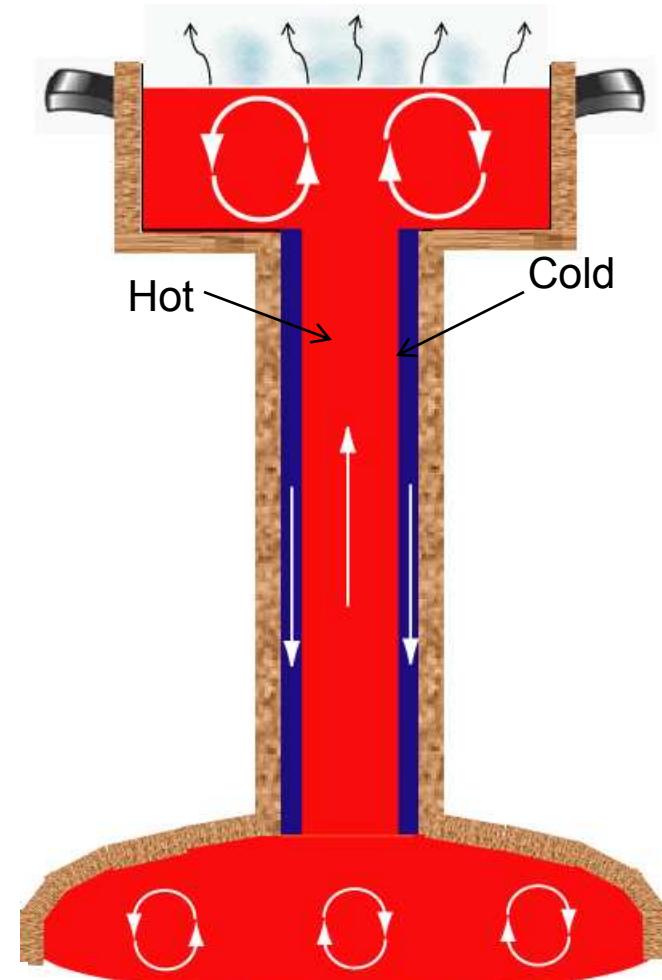
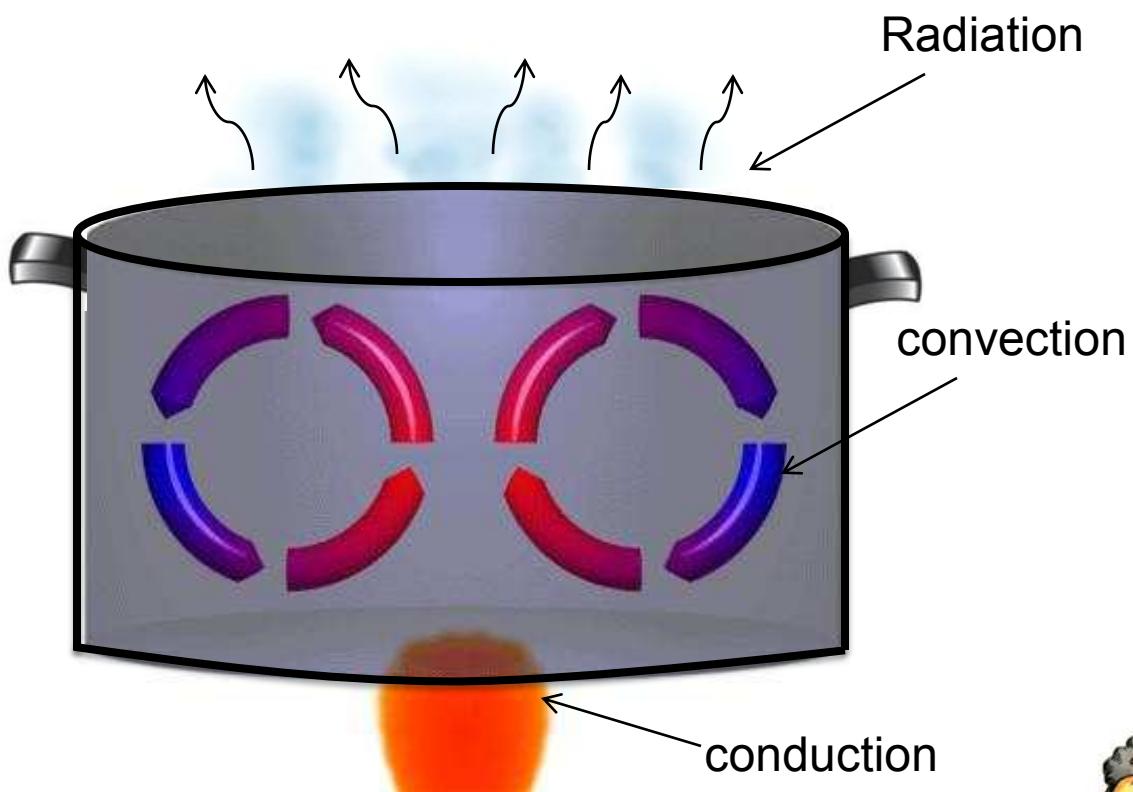


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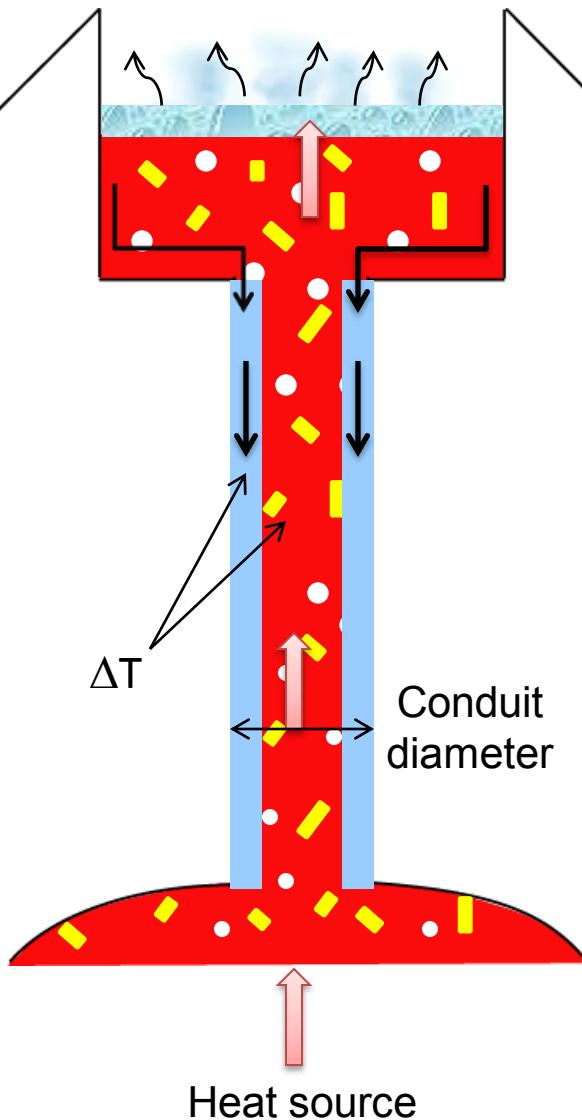
### Passive degassing (lake oscillation)



*Courtesy from C.Oppenheimer*



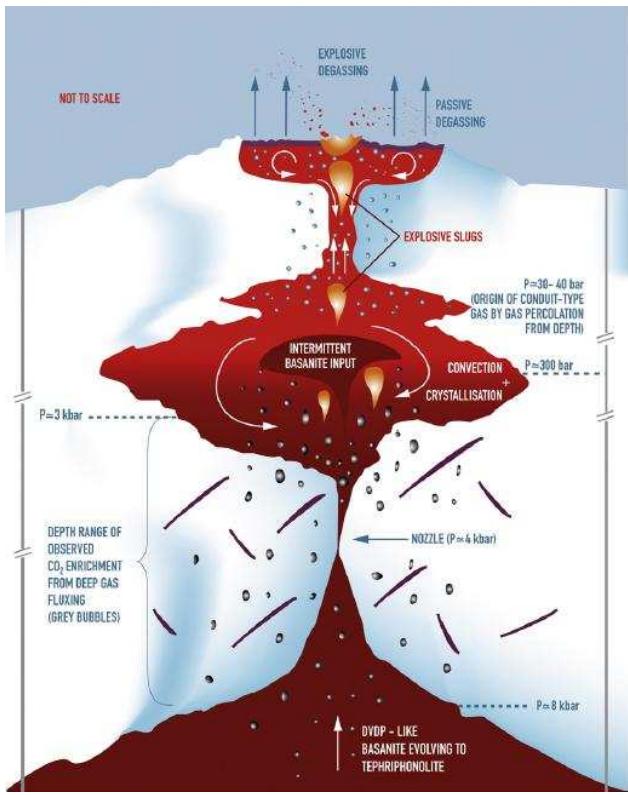
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Huppert and Hallworth (2007)  
Molina et al. (2012)*



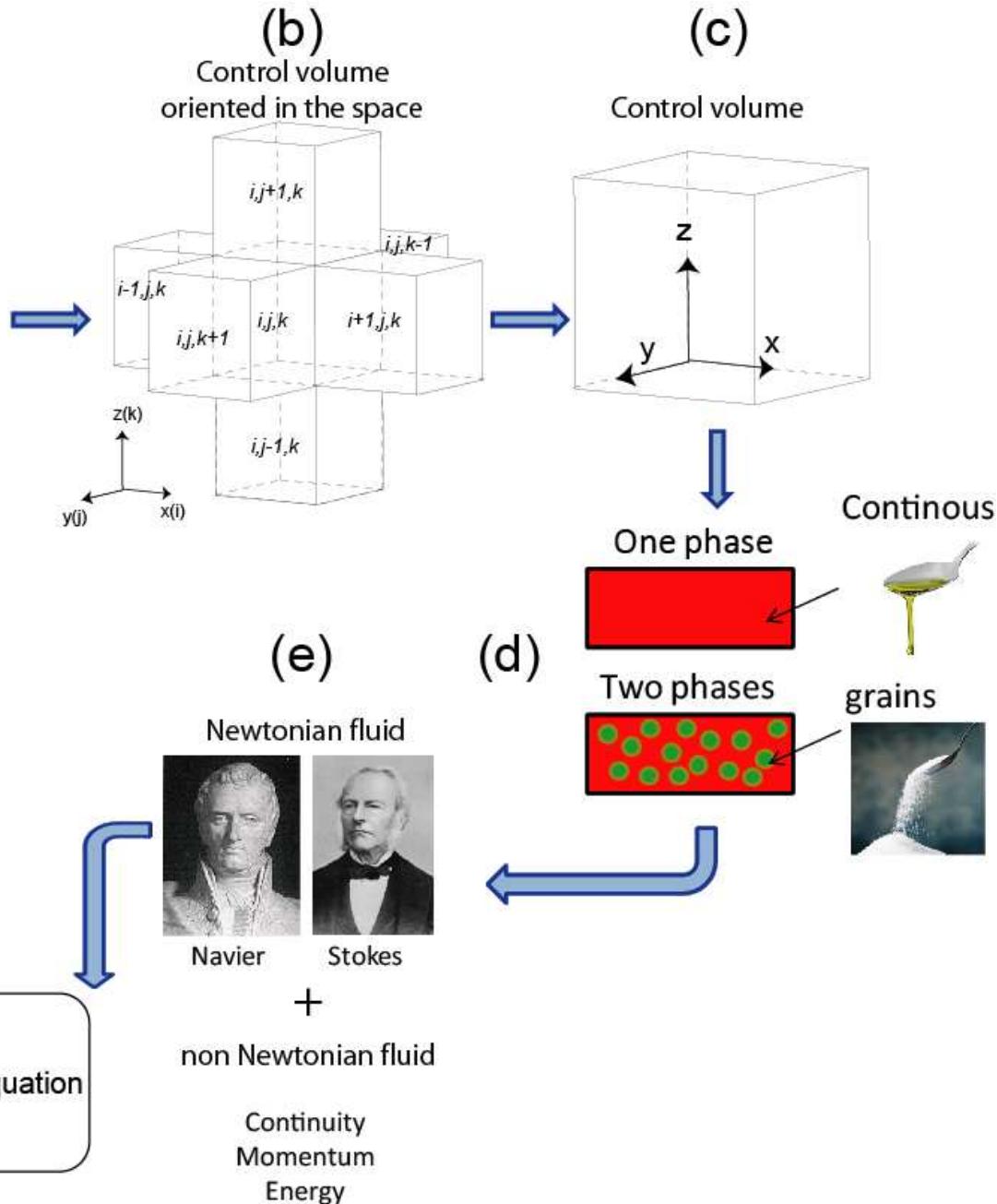
- 1 Can we simulate the convective regime with fluid dynamics?
- 2 Which conduit diameter is sufficient to sustain convection in Erebus?
- 3 Can crystals be part of the melt?
- 4 Which  $\Delta T$  and crystal content characterize convective currents?
- 5 Explain the role of crystals.
- 6 Explain the role of bubbles.

## 2. Numerical modeling

## Methodology of numerical simulations



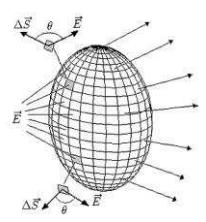
Equations are integrated,  
linearized and solved by linear equation  
solving technique  
**MFIX**



## 2. Numerical modeling

## Multiphase formulation

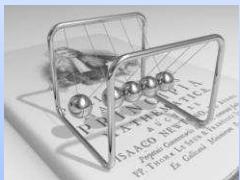
### Continuity



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_k \rho_k) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_k \rho_k \vec{v}_k) = R_{kl}$$

Accumulation of mass per volume  
Convective flux of mass per volume  
Rate of production of n-specie

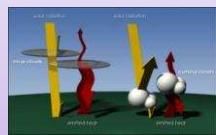
### Momentum



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_k \rho_k \vec{v}_k) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_k \rho_k \vec{v}_k \vec{v}_k) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \bar{\bar{S}}_k + \vec{I}_{kl} + \vec{f}_k$$

Rate of increase of momentum per volume  
Rate of momentum transferred by convection  
Surface forces  
Interface forces  
Body forces

### Energy

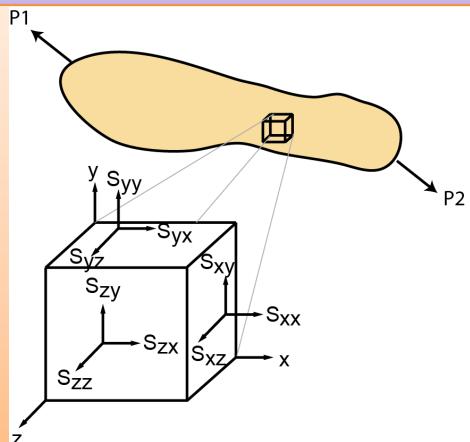


$$\varepsilon_k \rho_k C_{pk} \left( \frac{\partial T_k}{\partial t} + \vec{v}_k \cdot \nabla T_k \right) = -\nabla \cdot \vec{q}_k + \gamma_{kl} (T_l - T_k) - \Delta H_k$$

Net rate of change of temperature per volume  
Heat of conduction  
Heat interphase transfer  
Heat of reaction

$$\bar{\bar{S}}_k = P_k \bar{\bar{I}} + \bar{\tau}_k$$

$$\bar{\tau}_k : f(\mu_k)$$



$$\vec{I}_{kl} = f(\varepsilon_l, \varepsilon_k, \rho_k, d_l, Re_l, \vec{v}_l, \vec{v}_k)$$

### List of symbols

$\varepsilon_k$  → melt fraction

$\rho_k$  → density

$P_k$  → pressure

$\vec{v}_k$  → velocity

$\mu_k$  → viscosity

$R_{kl}$  → reaction rate

$\bar{\bar{S}}_k$  → stress tensor

$C_{pk}$  → heat capacity

$T_k$  → temperature

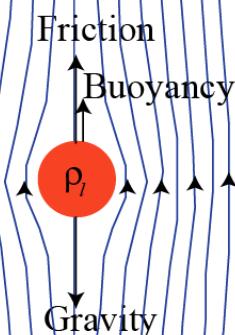
$t$  → time

$\bar{\tau}_k$  → shear stress

$d_l$  → particle diameter

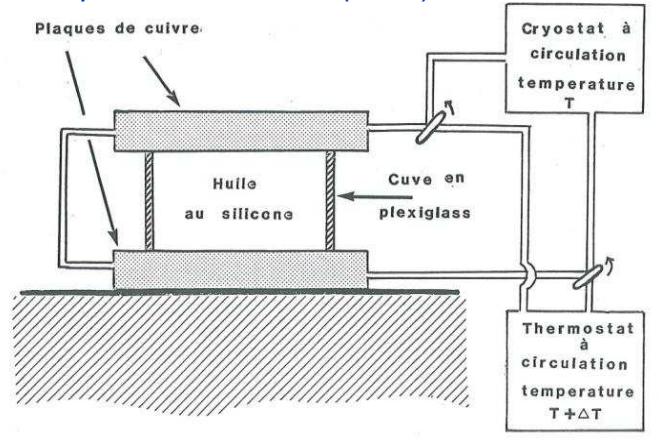
$Re_l$  → Reynolds

$P_k < P_l$



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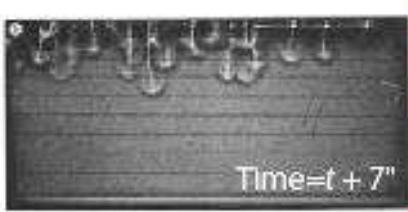
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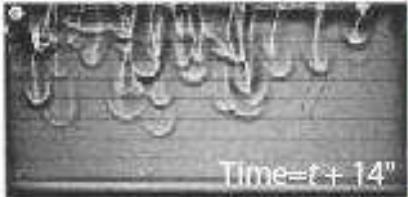
Analogical experiment



Time =  $t$



Time =  $t + 7''$

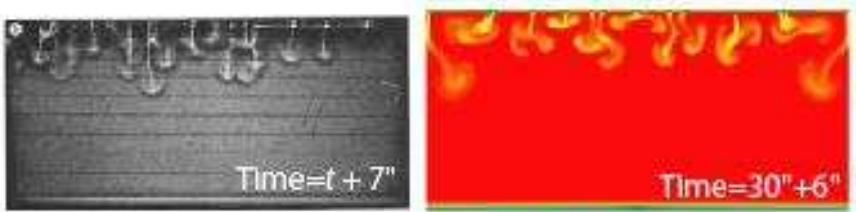


Time =  $t + 14''$

Numerical simulation



Time = 30"



Time = 30'' + 6"



Time = 30'' + 14''

Temperature (°C)

Courtesy G. Brandeis

27.6 33.1 38.5 44.0 49.4

## Validation (melt)

### 1. Continuity

$$\varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_s = 1 \quad \text{Equation T1}$$

### Melt

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_m \rho_m) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_m \rho_m \mathbf{v}_m) = 0 \quad \text{Equation T2}$$

### Solid

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_s \rho_s) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{v}_s) = 0 \quad \text{Equation T3}$$

### 2. Momentum

#### Melt

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_m \rho_m \mathbf{v}_m) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_m \rho_m \mathbf{v}_m \mathbf{v}_m) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{S}_m + \varepsilon_m \rho_m \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{F}_{ms} (\mathbf{v}_m - \mathbf{v}_s) \quad \text{Equation T4}$$

#### Solid

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{v}_s) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{v}_s \mathbf{v}_s) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{S}_s + \varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{F}_{ms} (\mathbf{v}_m - \mathbf{v}_s) - \varepsilon_s \nabla P_m \quad \text{Equation T5}$$

### Stress Tensor

#### Melt

$$\mathbf{S}_m = -P_m^p \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{T}_m \quad \text{Equation T6} \quad \mathbf{S}_s = -P_s^p \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{T}_s^p \quad \text{if } \varepsilon_m \leq \varepsilon_m^* \quad \text{Plastic / Frictional} \quad \text{Equation T7}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_s = -P_s^v \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{T}_s^v \quad \text{if } \varepsilon_m > \varepsilon_m^* \quad \text{Kinetic - Collisional} \quad \text{Equation T8}$$

#### Granular

$$K_1 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s) \quad \text{Equation T13}$$

$$K_2 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s, d_p, \varepsilon_s, K_3) \quad \text{Equation T14}$$

$$K_3 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s, d_p, \varepsilon_s) \quad \text{Equation T15}$$

$$K_4 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s, d_p) \quad \text{Equation T16}$$

#### Melt viscous stress

$$\mathbf{T}_m = 2\varepsilon_m \mu_m \mathbf{D}_m - \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon_m \mu_m \text{tr}(\mathbf{D}_m) \mathbf{I} \quad \text{Equation T17} \quad \mathbf{T}_s^p = \min \left[ 2\mu_s^p \bar{\mathbf{D}}, 2\mu_s^{ms} \bar{\mathbf{D}} \right] \quad \text{where } \mu_s^p = \frac{P_s^p \sin \phi}{2\sqrt{I_{2D}}} ; \mu_s^{ms} = 100 \text{ Pa s} \quad \text{Equation T18}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_s^v = 2\mu_s^v \mathbf{D}_s + \lambda_s^v \text{tr}(\mathbf{D}_s) \mathbf{I} \quad \text{where } \mu_s^v = K_3 \varepsilon_s \sqrt{\Theta_s} \quad \text{Equation T19}$$

$$\lambda_s^v = K_2 \varepsilon_s \sqrt{\Theta_s} \quad \text{Equation T20}$$

### Momentum Interface Transfer Coefficient

$$\text{Drag forces} \quad \text{Terminal velocity} \quad \text{Particle Reynolds Number} \quad \text{Equation T23}$$

$$F_{ms} = f(\varepsilon_s, \varepsilon_m, \rho_m, d_p, Re_s, V_r, v_s, v_m) \quad V_r = f(\varepsilon_m, Re_s) \quad Re_s = f(d_p, \rho_m, \mu_m, v_s, v_m) \quad \text{Equation T21}$$

### 3. Energy

#### Melt

$$\varepsilon_m \rho_m C_{pm} \left( \frac{\partial T_m}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_m \cdot \nabla T_m \right) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_m + \gamma_{ms} (T_s - T_m) \quad \text{Equation T24}$$

#### Solid

$$\varepsilon_s \rho_s C_{ps} \left( \frac{\partial T_s}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v}_s \cdot \nabla T_s \right) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_s - \gamma_{ms} (T_s - T_m) \quad \text{Equation T25}$$

### Heat conductivity

#### Melt conductivity

$$\mathbf{q}_m = \varepsilon_m k_m \nabla T_m \quad \text{Equation T26}$$

#### Granular conductivity

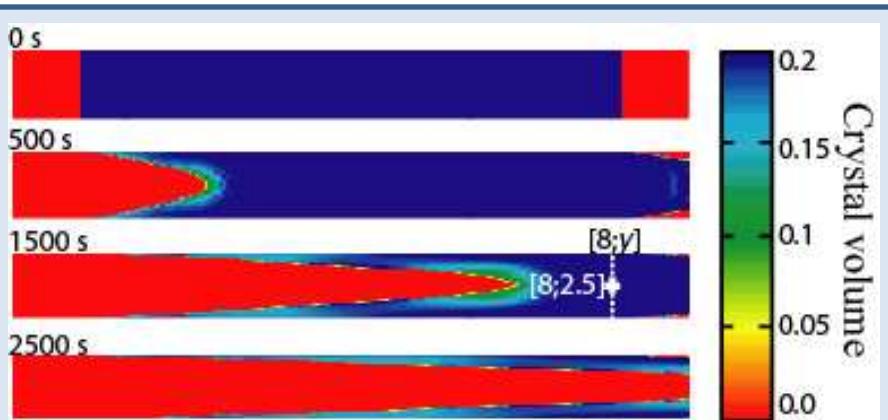
$$\mathbf{q}_s = \varepsilon_s k_s \nabla T_s \quad \text{Equation T27}$$

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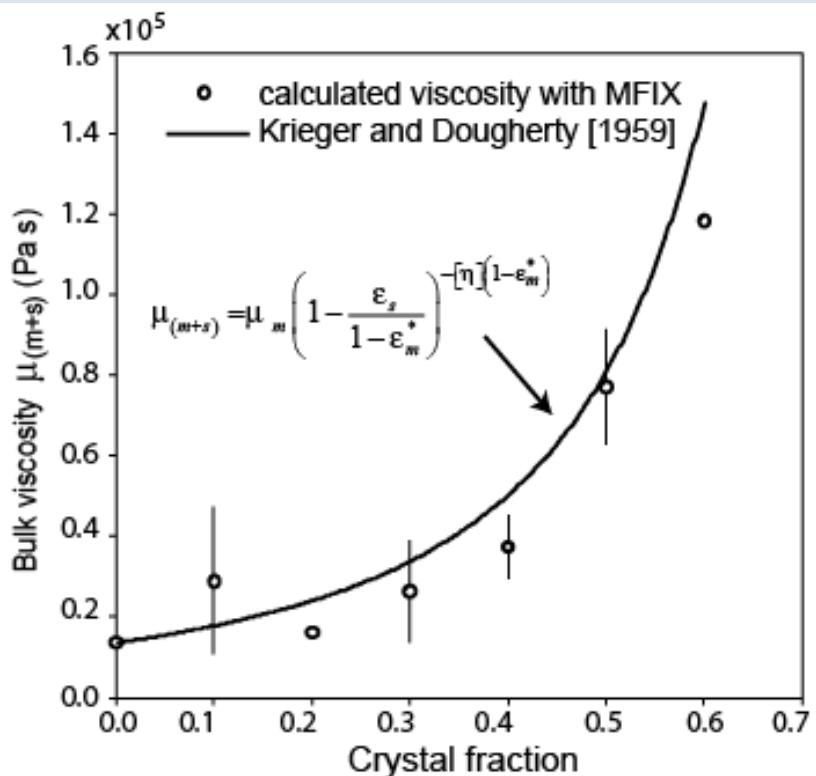
$$\text{Nusselt Number} \quad \text{Prandtl Number} \quad \text{Equation T28}$$

$$\gamma_{ms} = f(k_m, \varepsilon_s, Nu, d_p) \quad Nu = f(\varepsilon_s, \varepsilon_m, Re_s, Pr) \quad Pr = f(C_{pm}, \mu_m, k_m) \quad \text{Equation T29}$$

## 2. Numerical modeling



$$-\frac{\partial \mathcal{P}_{(m+s)}}{\partial x} + \mu_{(m+s)} \frac{\partial^2 U_{(m+s)}}{\partial y^2} = 0$$



## Validation (melt plus crystals)

1. Continuity		Equation	
$\varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_s = 1$		T1	
<b>Melt</b>		T2	
$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_m \rho_m) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_m \rho_m \mathbf{v}_m) = 0$			
<b>Solid</b>		T3	
$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_s \rho_s) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{v}_s) = 0$			
2. Momentum			
<b>Melt</b>		T4	
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<b>Solid</b>		T5	
$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{v}_s) + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{v}_s \mathbf{v}_s) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{S}_s + \varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{F}_{ms} (\mathbf{v}_m - \mathbf{v}_s) - \varepsilon_s \nabla P_m$			
Stress Tensor			
Melt		Granular	
$\mathbf{S}_m = -P_m \mathbf{I} + \boldsymbol{\tau}_m^p$	T6	$\mathbf{S}_s = -P_s^p \mathbf{I} + \boldsymbol{\tau}_s^p$ if $\varepsilon_m \leq \varepsilon_m^*$ Plastic / Frictional	T7
		$\mathbf{S}_s = -P_s^v \mathbf{I} + \boldsymbol{\tau}_s^v$ if $\varepsilon_m > \varepsilon_m^*$ Kinetic / Collisional	T8
Granular normal stress			
$P_s^p = 10^{24} (\varepsilon_m^* - \varepsilon_m)^{10} \varepsilon_s$	T9	$K_1 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s)$	T13
$P_s^v = 2(1+e) \rho_s g_o \varepsilon_s \Theta_s$	T10	$K_2 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s, d_p, \varepsilon_s, K_3)$	T14
Where $g_o = f(\varepsilon_m, \varepsilon_s)$	T11	$K_3 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s, d_p, \varepsilon_s)$	T15
$\Theta_s = f(K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4, \varepsilon_s, \text{tr}(\mathbf{D}_s))$	T12	$K_4 = f(e, g_o, \rho_s, d_p)$	T16
Melt viscous stress		Granular viscous stress	
$\boldsymbol{\tau}_m = 2\varepsilon_m \mu_m \mathbf{D}_m - \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon_m \mu_m \text{tr}(\mathbf{D}_m) \mathbf{I}$	T17	$\boldsymbol{\tau}_s^p = \min \left[ 2\mu_s^p \frac{\dot{\mathbf{D}}}{\mathbf{I}}, 2\mu_s^{mc} \frac{\dot{\mathbf{D}}}{\mathbf{I}} \right]$ where $\mu_s^p = \frac{P_s^p \sin \phi}{2\sqrt{I_{2D}}}; \mu_s^{mc} = 100 \text{ Pa s}$	T18
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Momentum Interface Transfer Coefficient			
Drag forces		Terminal velocity	
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		Particle Reynolds Number	
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<b>Solid</b>			
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Heat conductivity			
Melt conductivity		Granular conductivity	
$\mathbf{q}_m = \varepsilon_m k_m \nabla T_m$	T26	$\mathbf{q}_s = \varepsilon_s k_s \nabla T_s$	T27
Heat Interface Transfer Coefficient			
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		$Pr = f(C_{pm}, \mu_m, k_m)$	T30

## 2. Numerical modeling: role of crystals

Data

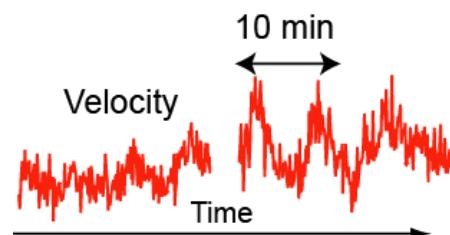
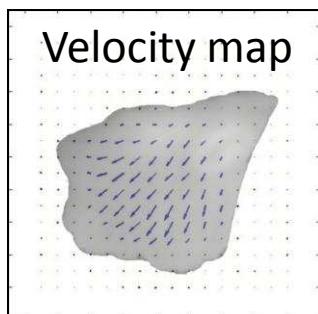
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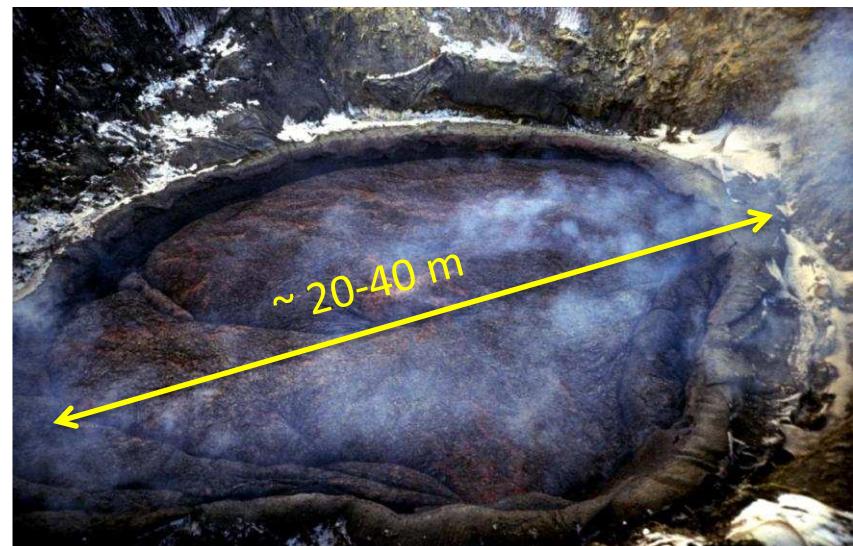
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- \* 30 vol.% anorthoclase (no experimental data).
- \* Old crystals (hundreds of years)
- \* No crystallization
- \* No magma intrusion

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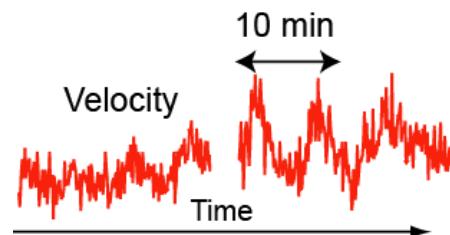
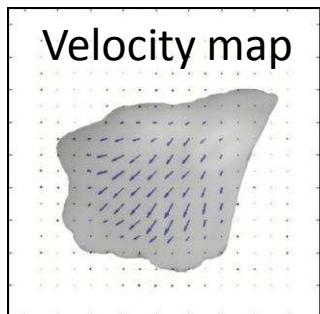
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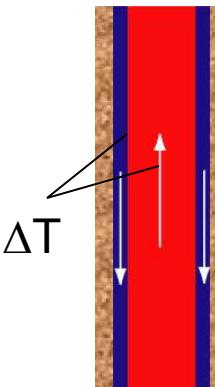
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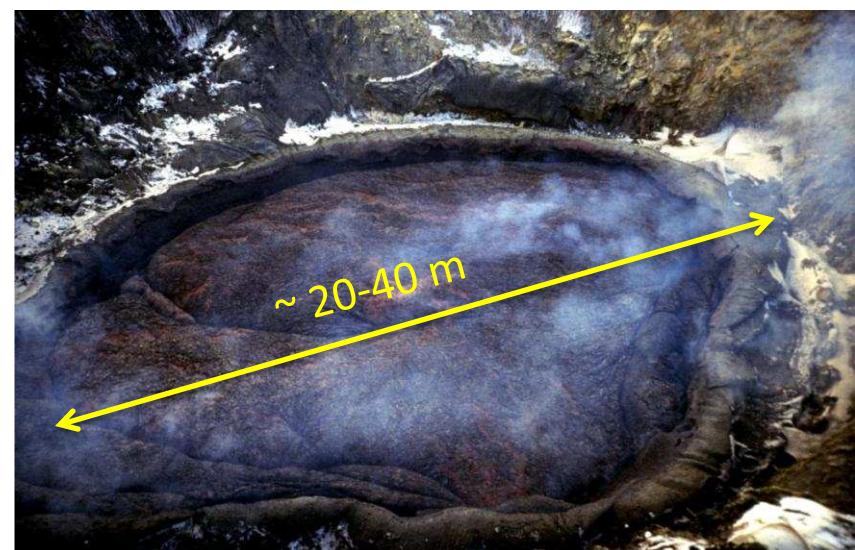
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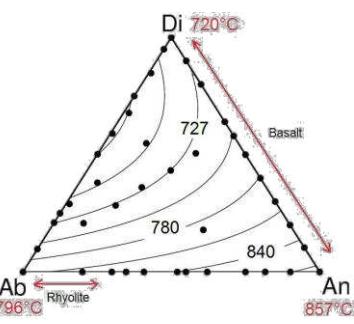
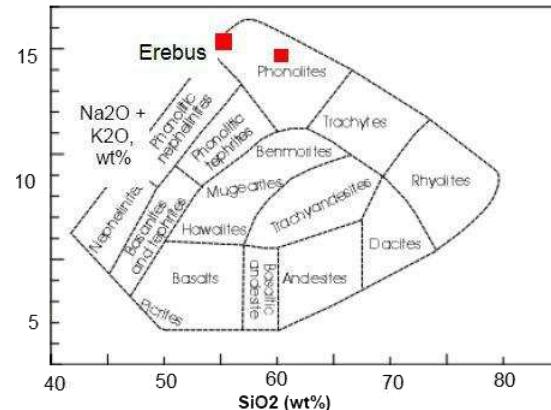
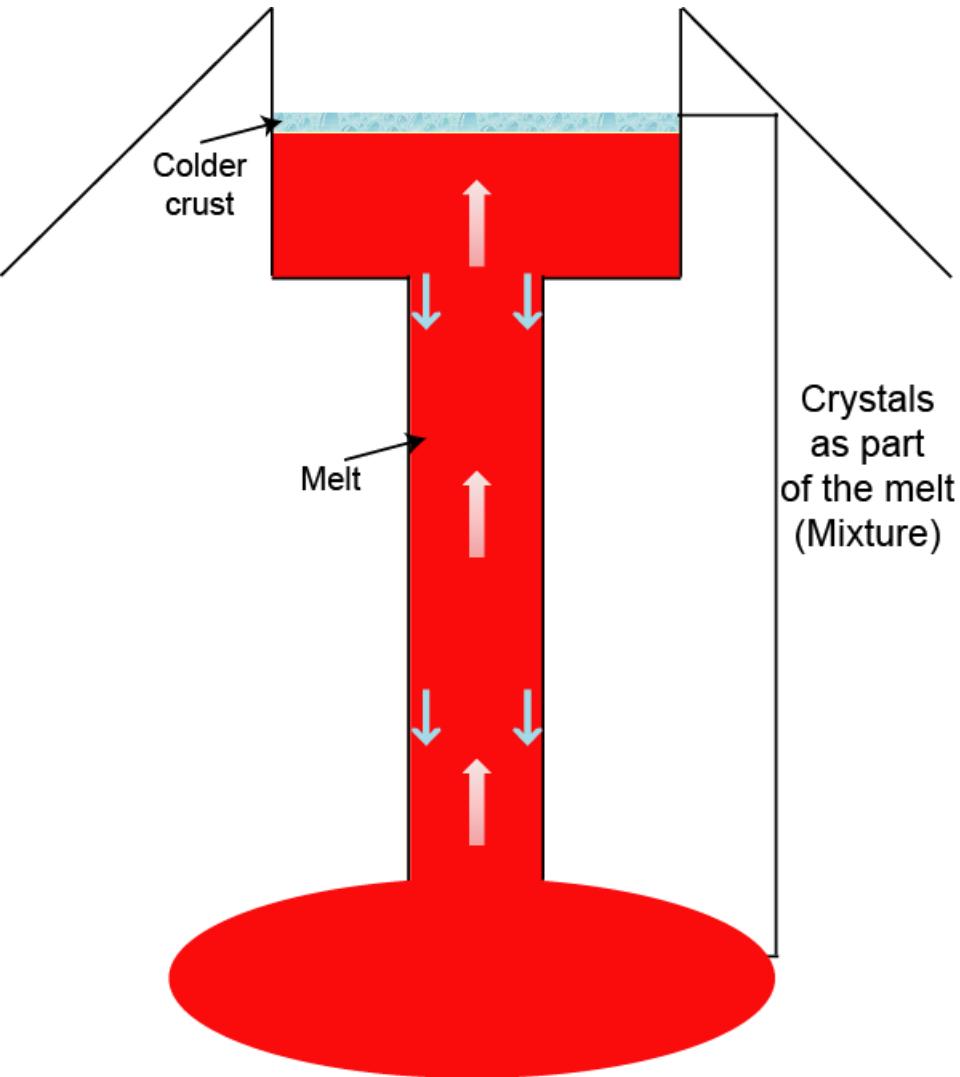


★  $\Delta T=65^{\circ}\text{C}$  ([Sweeney et al, 2008](#))  
 $\Delta T<120^{\circ}\text{C}$  ([Calkins et al, 2008](#)).



Are 30% of crystals recirculating?  
 Can we reproduce the convective rate?  
 Can we reproduce the  $\Delta T$ ?

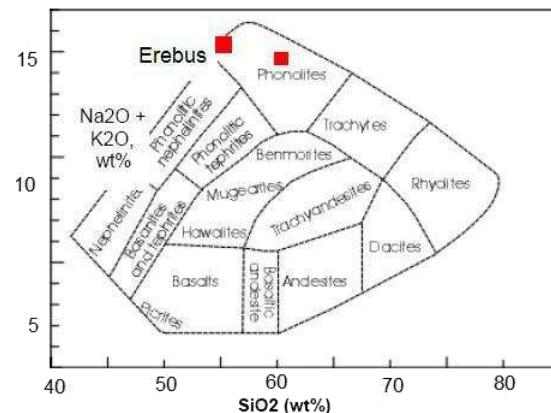
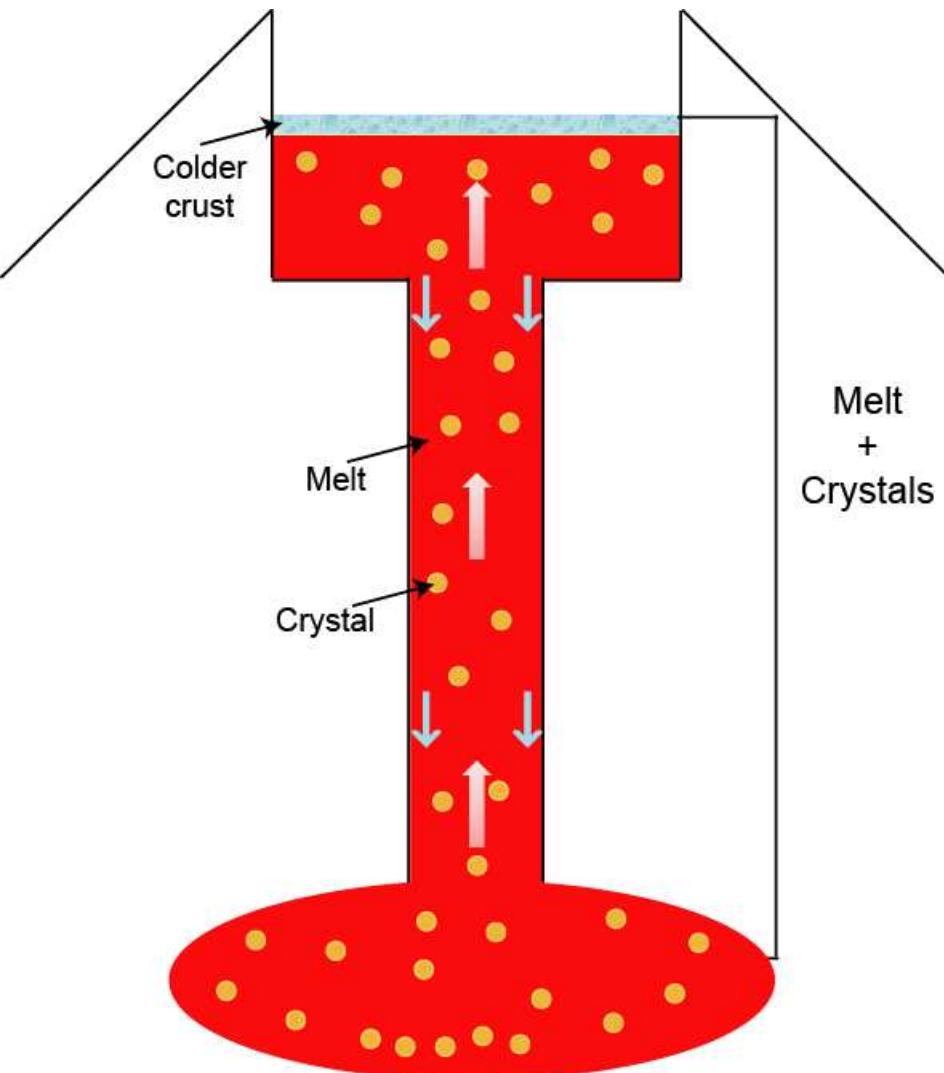
# Closed system



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- Constant thermodynamical properties (e.g., heat capacity, conductivity, initial density) ([Mastin and Ghiorso, 2000](#))
- Bulk viscosity as function of T ([Giordano et al, 2008](#)) ->30% crystals ([Krieger and Dougherty, 1959](#)).

- Continuity (1 equation)
- Momentum (1 equation) → Liquid
- Energy (1 equation)

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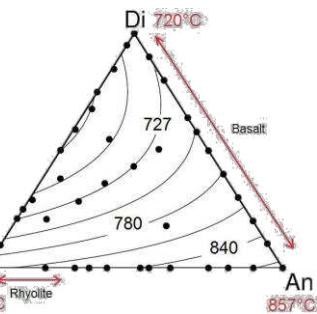
- Bulk viscosity for crystals as a function of crystal content ([Schaeffer, 1987](#))

- Sphere

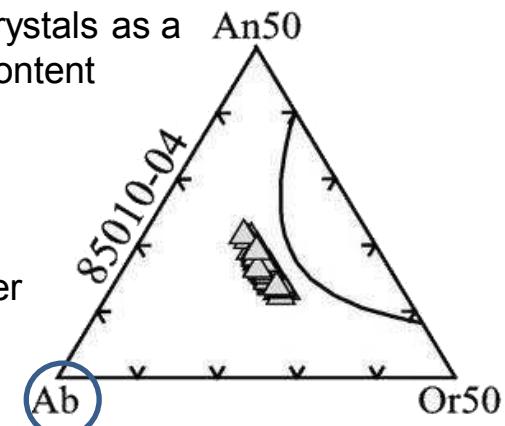
- Rigid

- Constant diameter

- No crystallization

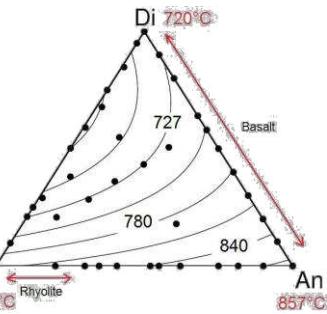
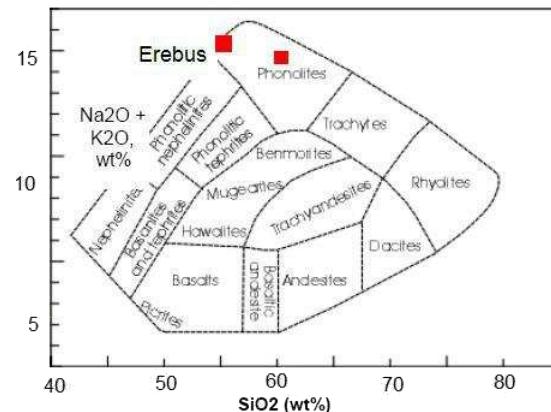
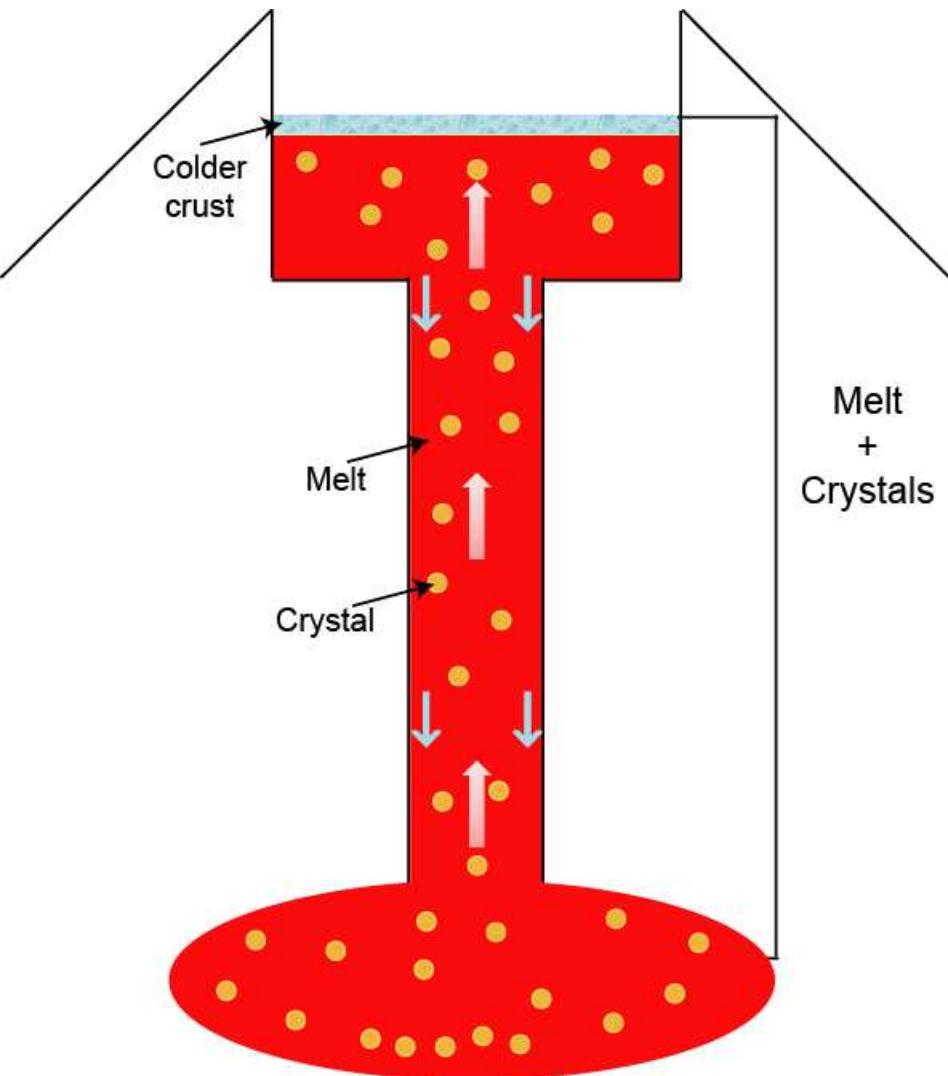


Glass transition of 700°C  
([Russel and Giordano, 2005](#);  
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Anorthoclase feldspar composition ([Kelly et al, 2008](#))

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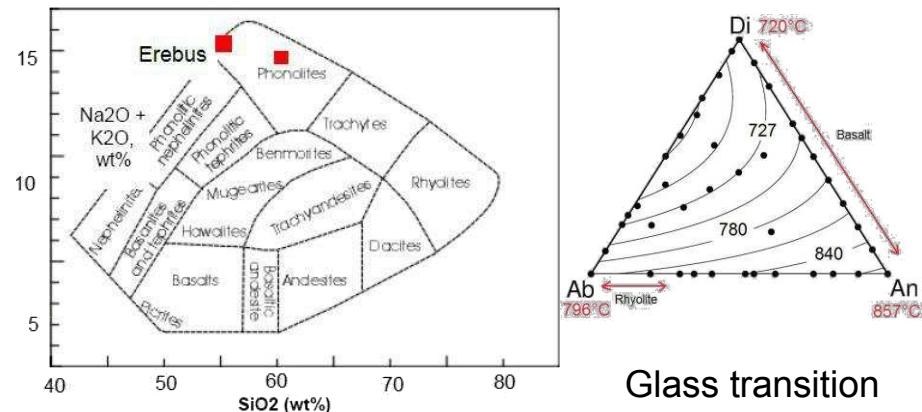
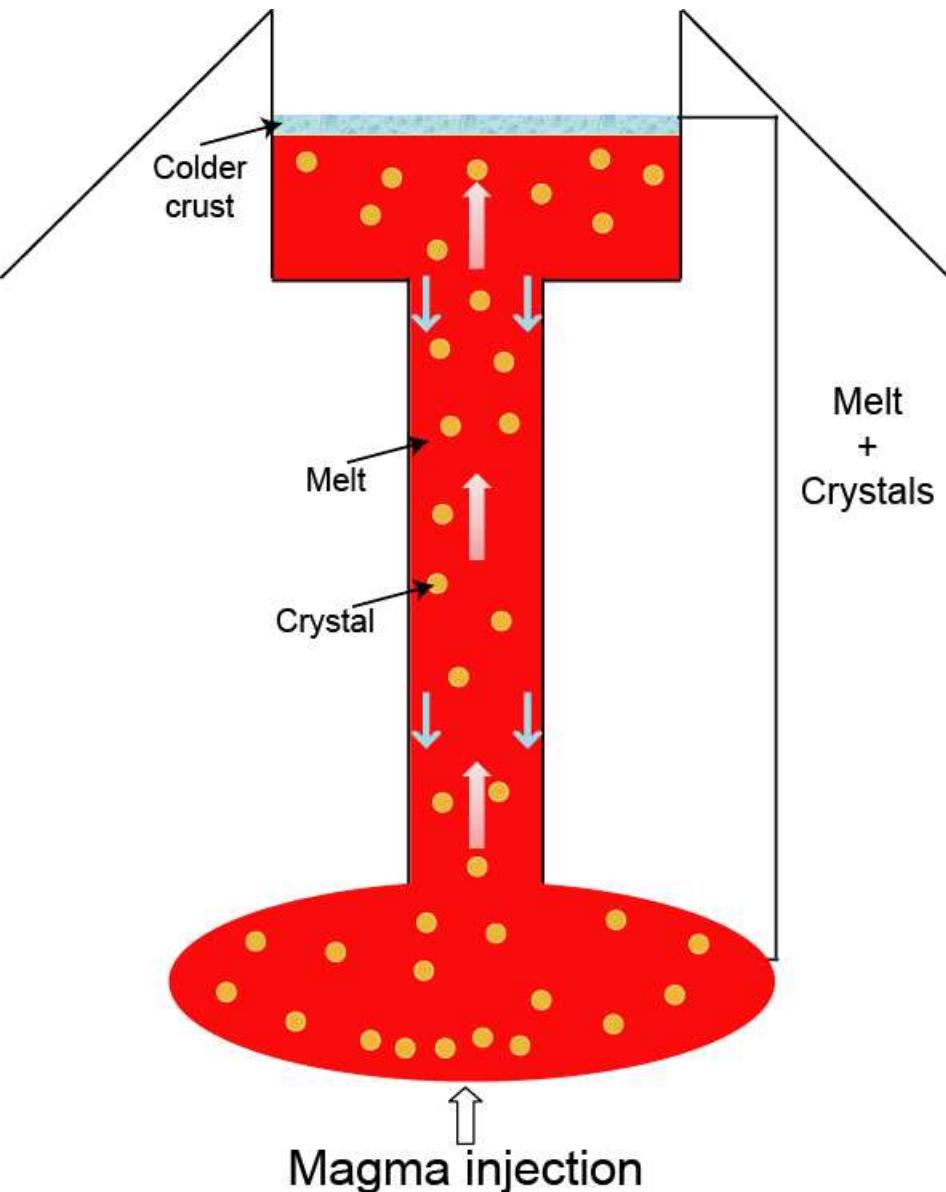
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■ Energy (1 equation)

■ Continuity (1 equation)  
■ Momentum (1 equation) → solid  
■ Energy (1 equation)

# Open system



- Constant bulk composition ([Kelly et al, 2008](#)).
- Constant thermodynamical properties (e.g., heat capacity, conductivity, initial density) ([Mastin and Ghiorso, 2000](#))

- Bulk viscosity for melt as a function of T ([Giordano et al, 2008](#)).
- Bulk viscosity for crystals as a function of crystal content ([Schaeffer, 1987](#))

■ Continuity (1 equation)  
 ■ Momentum (1 equation) Liquid  
 ■ Energy (1 equation)

■ Continuity (1 equation)  
 ■ Momentum (1 equation) solid  
 ■ Energy (1 equation)

Glass transition of 700°C ([Russel and Giordano, 2005](#); [Molina et al, 2012](#))

## 2. Numerical modeling: role of crystals

## Bulk density and viscosity definitions

Crystals as part of the melt (mixture)

One phase



### Continuity (fluid)

$$\rho_{(m+s)} = \varepsilon_s \rho_s + \varepsilon_m \left\{ \rho_o [1 - \alpha(T_m - T_o)] \right\}$$

### Momentum (fluid)

$$\overline{\overline{S}}_m$$

$$\mu_{(m+s)} = \mu_m \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_s}{1 - \varepsilon_m^*} \right)^{-[\eta](1 - \varepsilon_m^*)}$$

*Krieger and Dougherty (1959)*

$$\mu_m = 10 \exp \left( A + \frac{B}{T_m - C} \right)$$

*Giordano et al. (2008)*

Symbols	
$\rho_m$	Melt density
$\rho_{(m+s)}$	Mixture density
$\rho_o$	Initial density
$\alpha$	Thermal expansion
$1 - \varepsilon_m^*$	MPF
$\varepsilon_s, \varepsilon_m$	Crystal/melt vol.
$\eta$	Einstein coefficient
$\mu_m$	Melt viscosity
$\mu_{(m+s)}$	Mixture viscosity
A	constant
B,C	f:(oxides,H <sub>2</sub> O)
T <sub>m</sub> , T <sub>o</sub>	Magma/initial temperature

Two phases

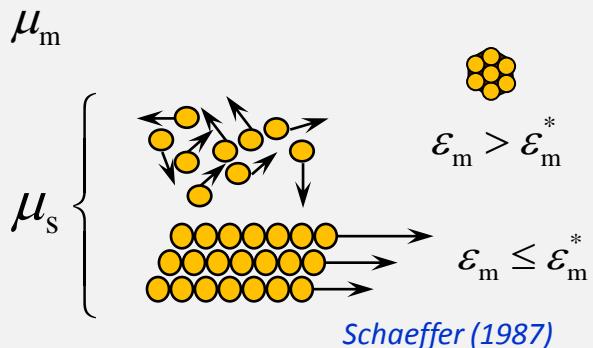


### Continuity (fluid+solid)

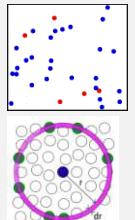
$$\rho \begin{cases} \rho_m = \varepsilon_m \left\{ \rho_o [1 - \alpha(T_m - T_o)] \right\} \\ \rho_s \varepsilon_s \rightarrow \text{calculated } (\rho_s : \text{cste}) \end{cases}$$

### Momentum (fluid+solid)

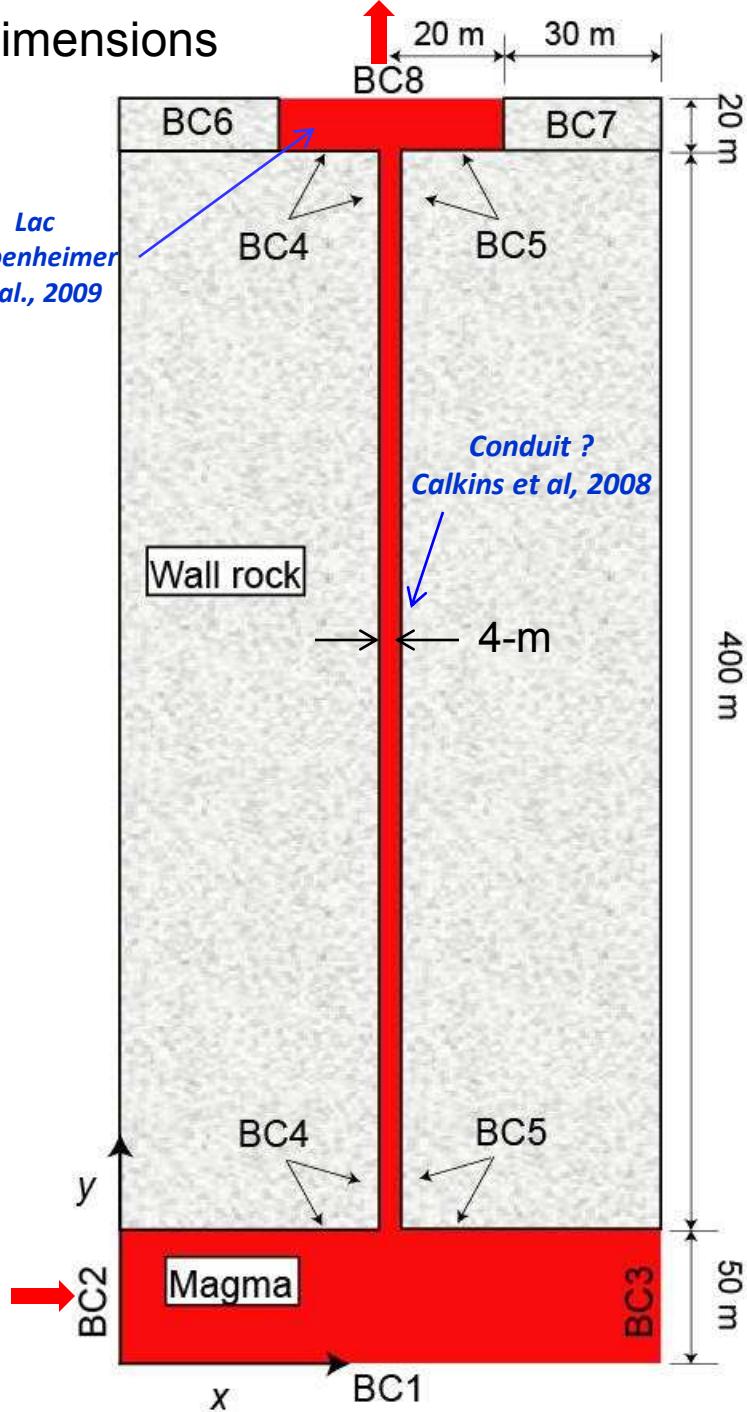
$$\overline{\overline{S}}_m, \overline{\overline{S}}_s$$



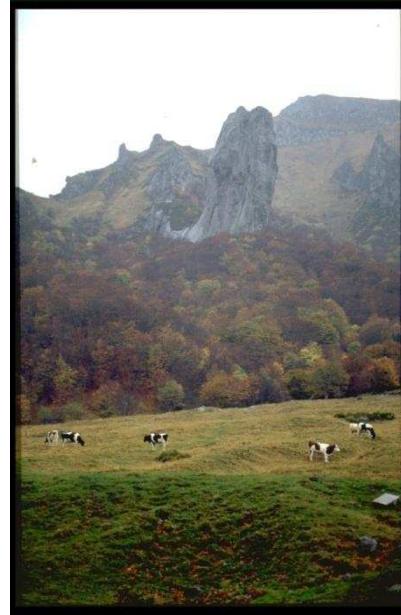
e	Restitution coefficient
g <sub>o</sub>	Radial distribution function
d <sub>p</sub>	Crystal diameter
$\Theta_s$	Granular temperature
$\varphi$	Friction angle
$\mu_s^{\max}$	Maximum viscosity (100 Pa s)



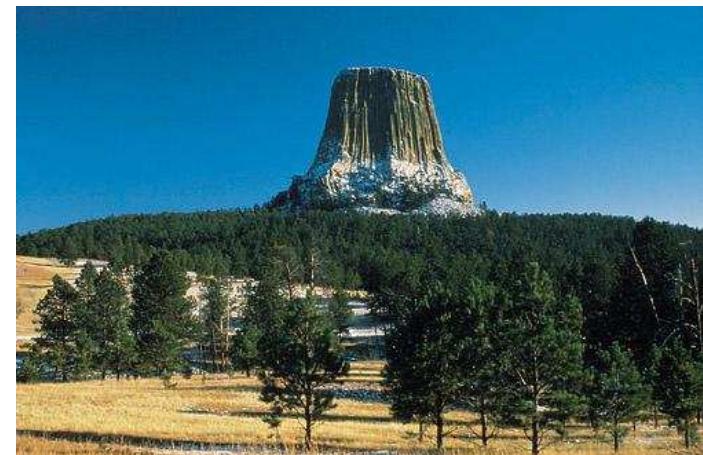
## Dimensions



## Hypotheses

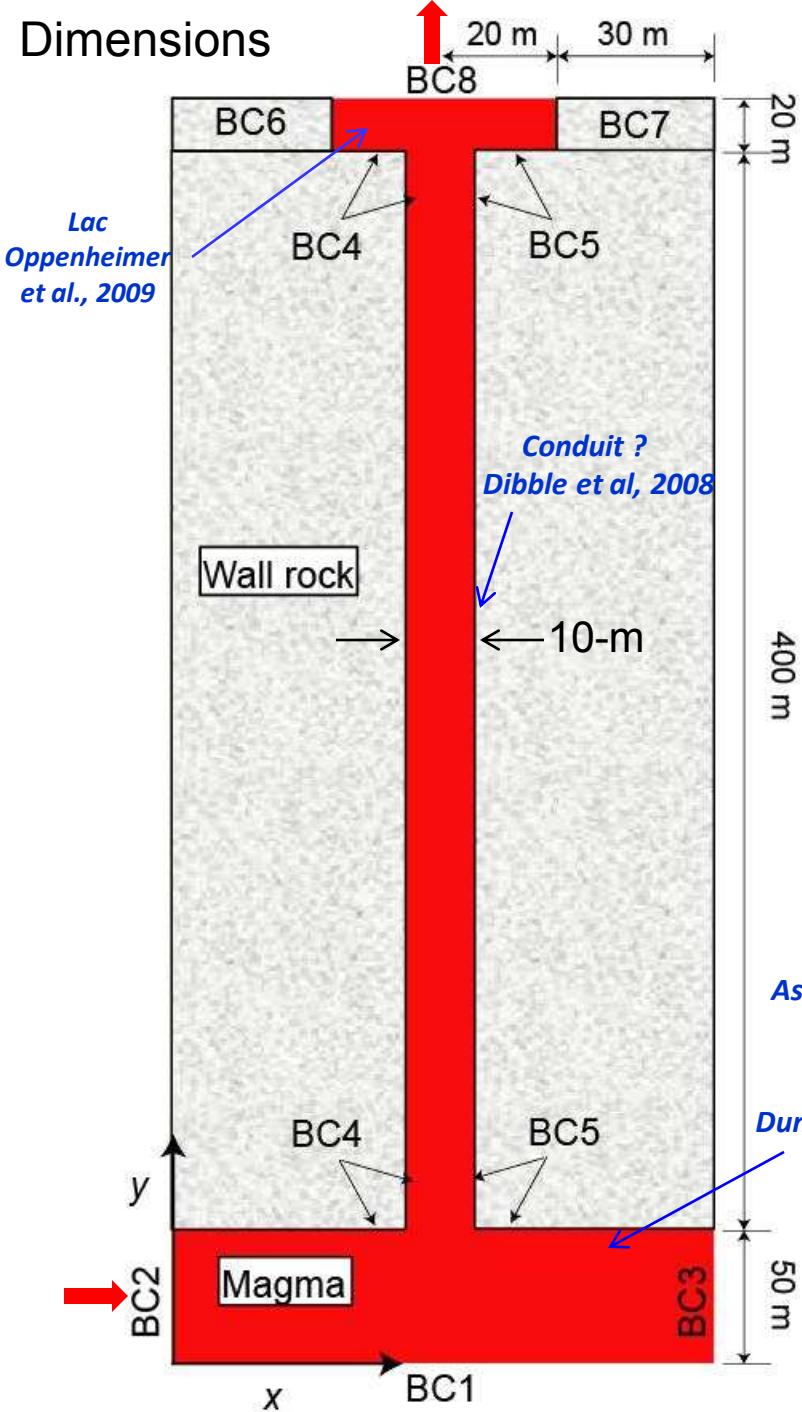


Old conduit (Massif Central, France) Courtesy S. Vergniolle



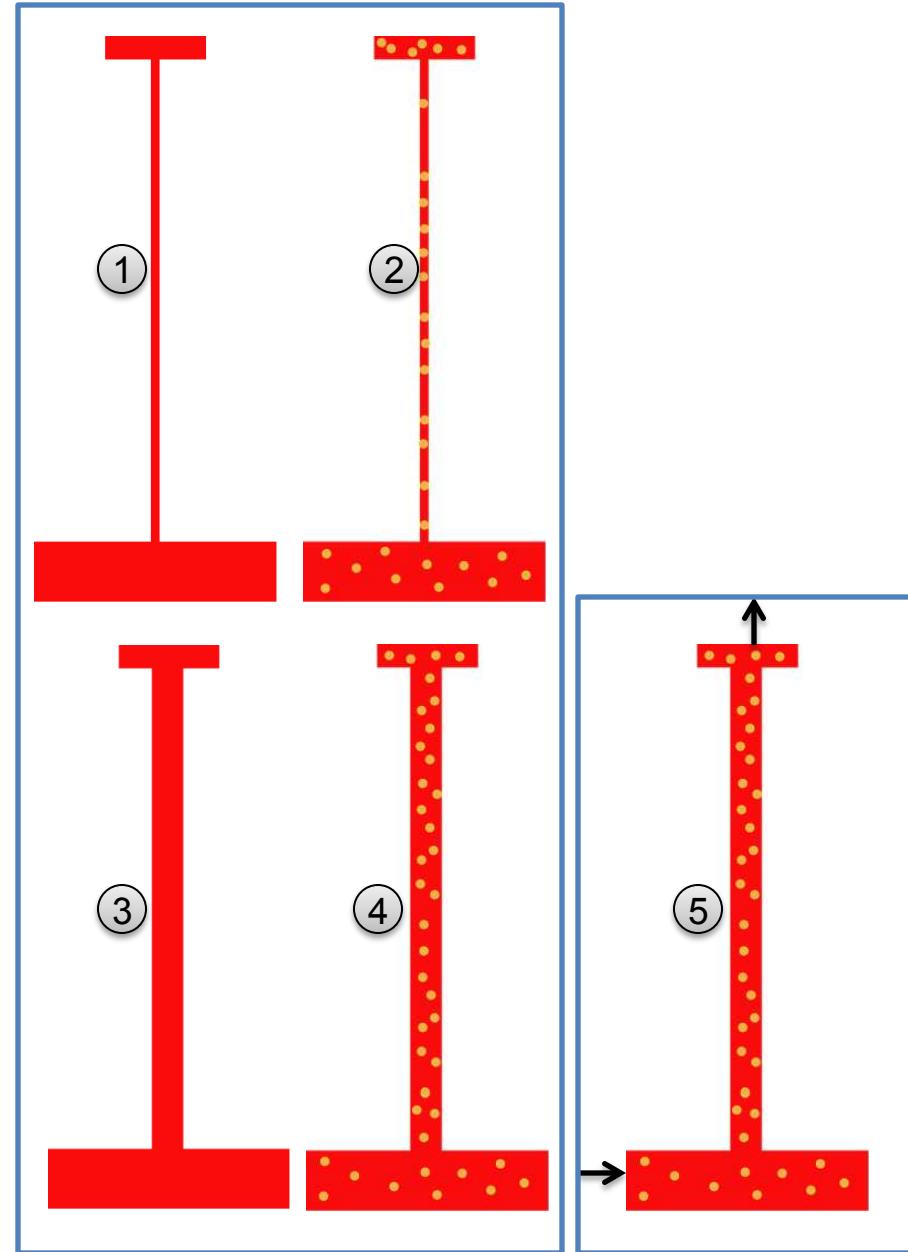
Old conduit (Wyoming, USA)

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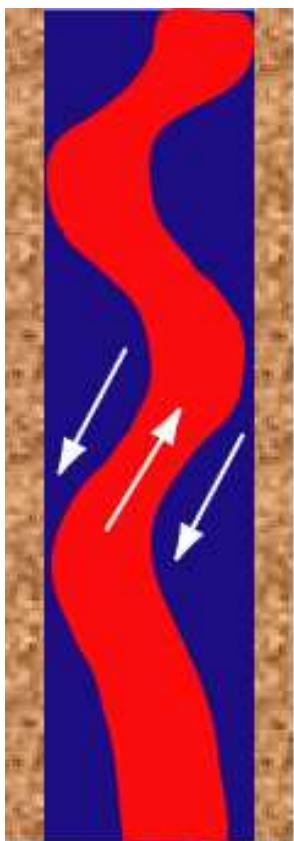


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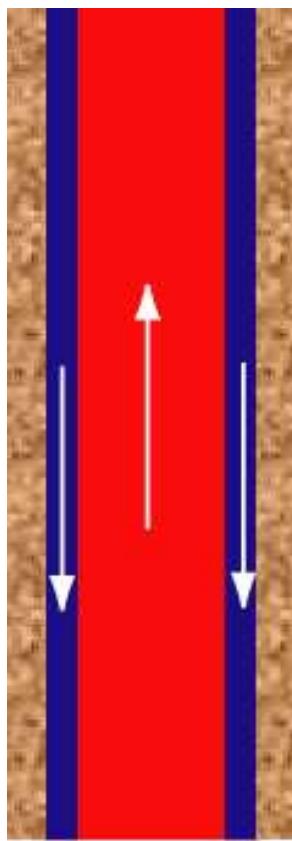
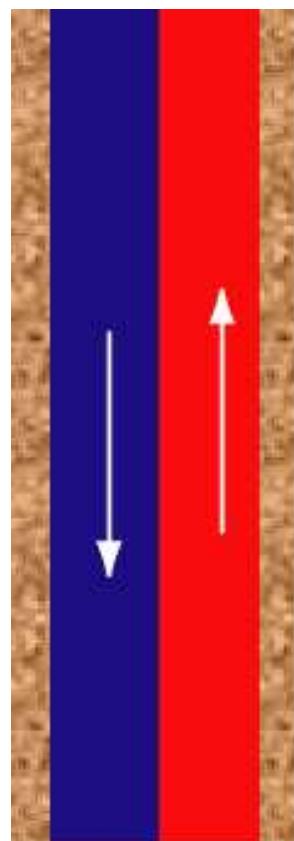
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Annular

Vertical  
stratified

Stagnant

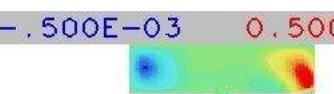


**Year 30****1 Mixture**

Vertical velocity (cm/s)

**2 Bi-phase**

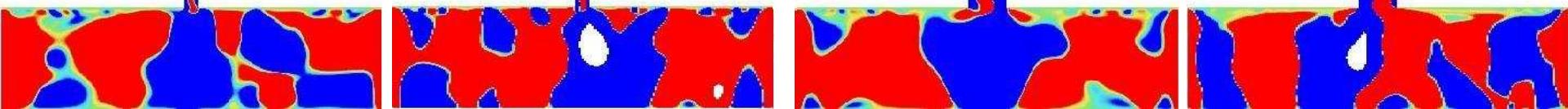
Vertical velocity (cm/s)

**3 Mixture**

Vertical velocity (cm/s)

**4 Bi-phase**

Vertical velocity (cm/s)



**Year 30**

① **Mixture**  
Temperature (K)

973, 0, 127E+04



② **Bi-phase**  
Temperature (K)

973, 0, 127E+04



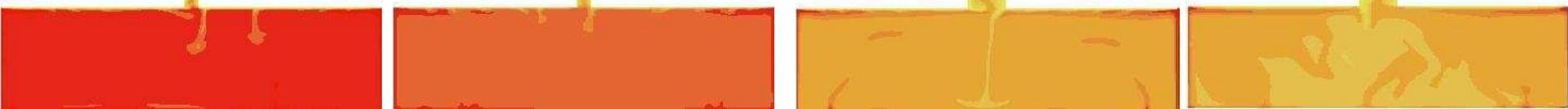
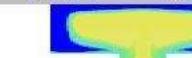
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④ **Bi-phase**  
Temperature (K)

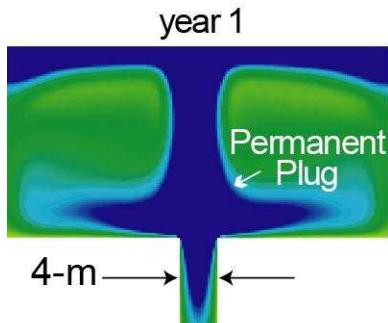
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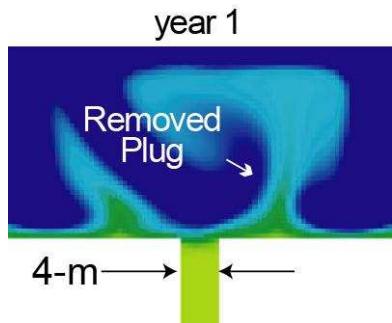
## 2. Numerical modeling: role of crystals

## Conduit diameter -closed system-

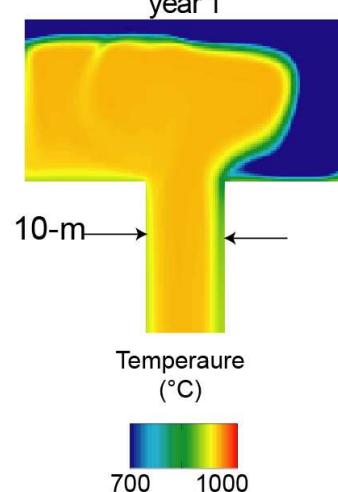
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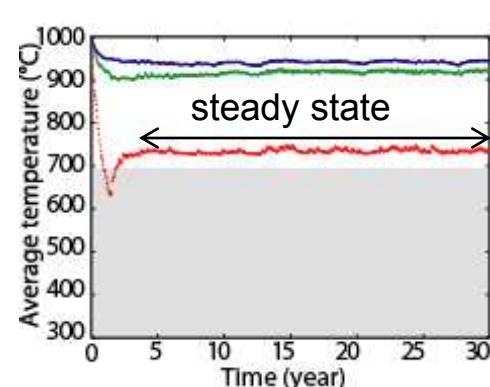
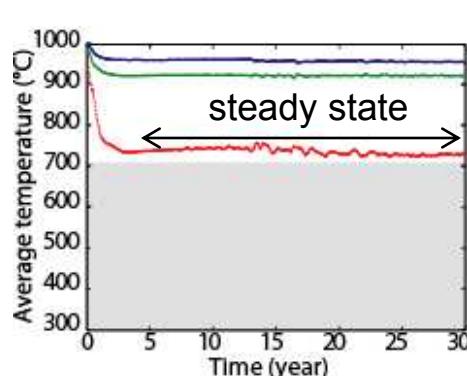
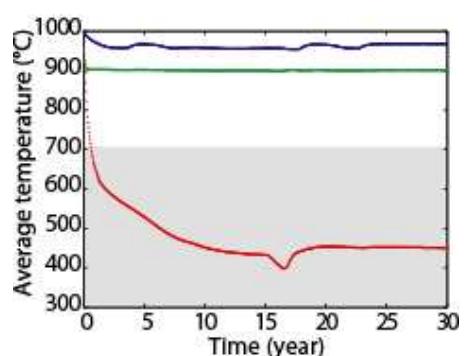
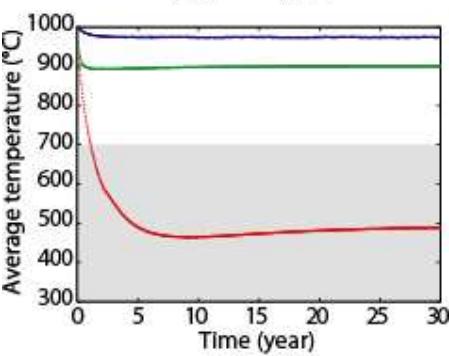
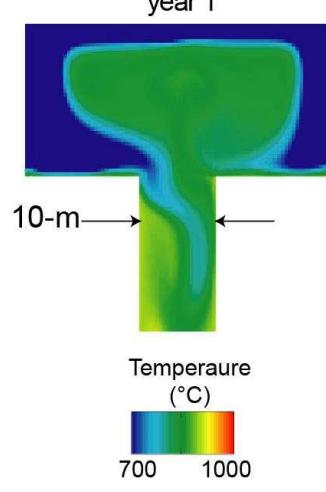
### ② Bi-phase



### ③ Mixture



### ④ Bi-phase

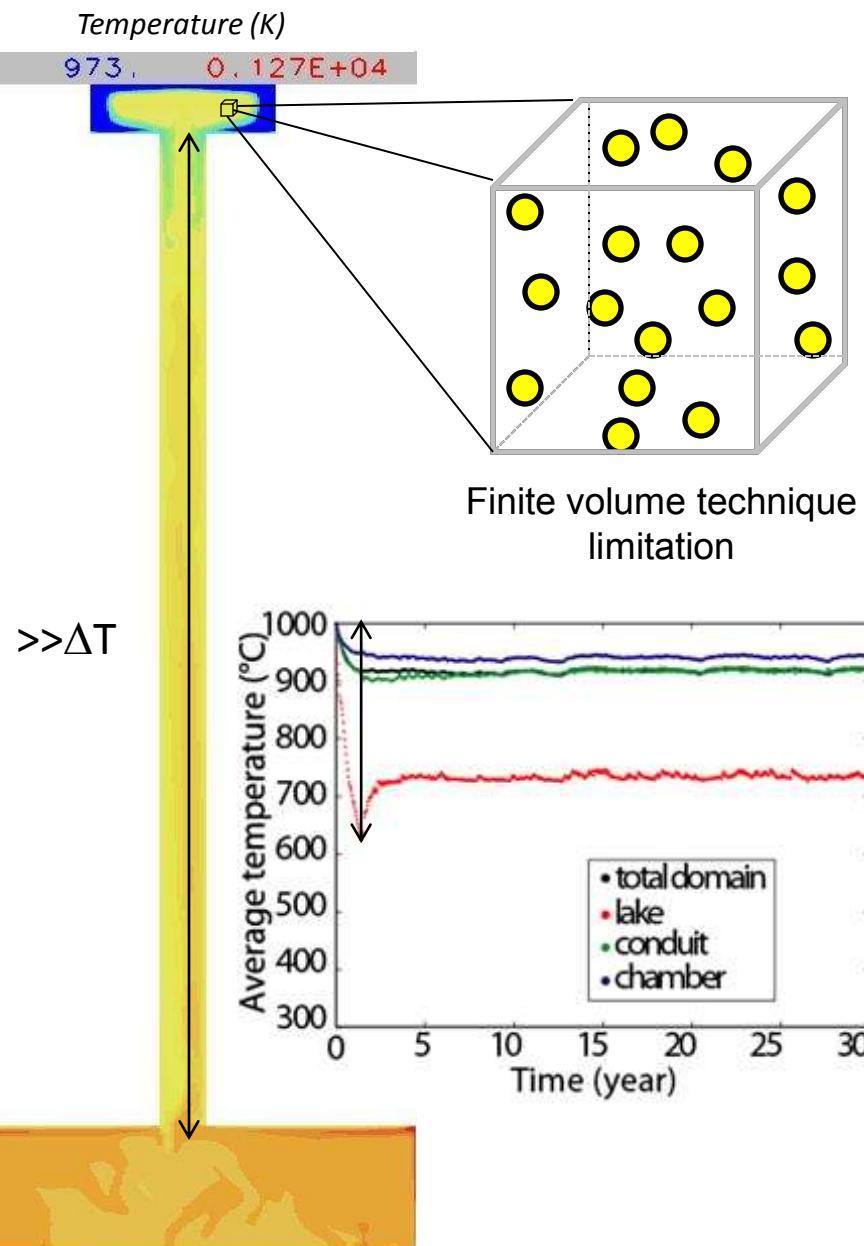


- ✿ Similar behaviour between bi-phase and mixture (central instability, average temperature).
- ✿ A 10-m conduit diameter allows keeping a sustained convection in the conduit and consequently higher temperatures in the lake.
- ✿ We can simulate the steady-state convection of the lake.

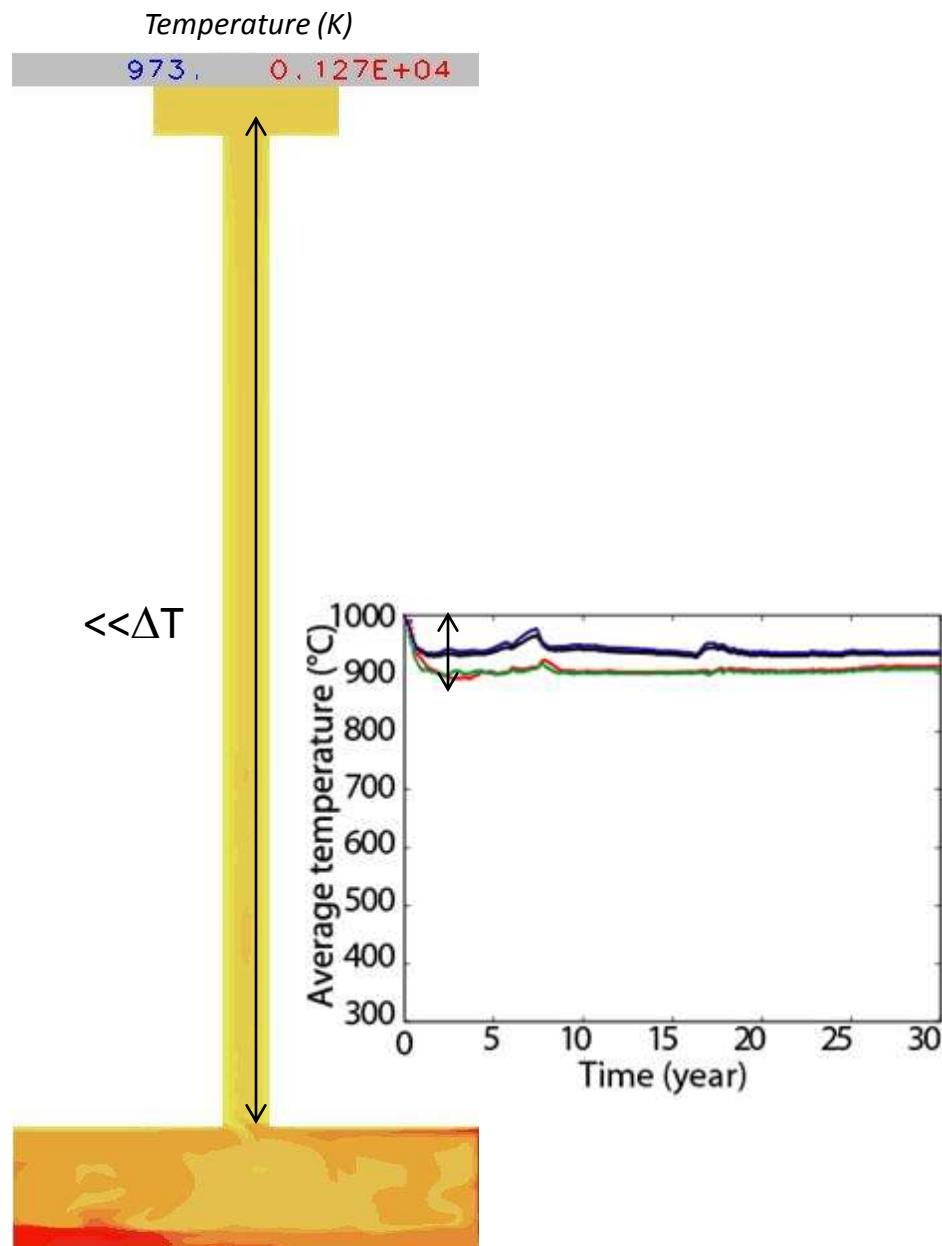
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## Bi-phase (closed vs. open system)

### 4 Closed system (Year 30)



### 5 Open system (Year 30)

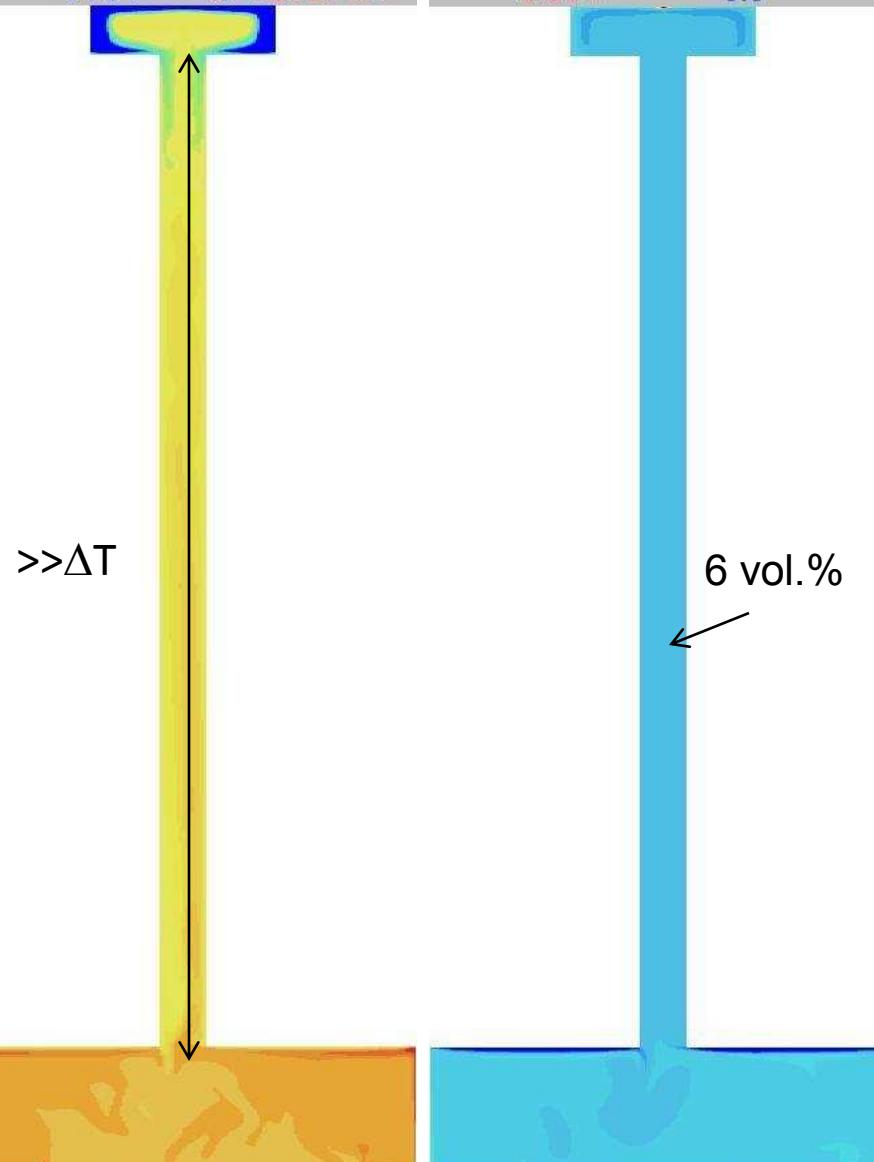


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## Bi-phase (closed vs. open system)

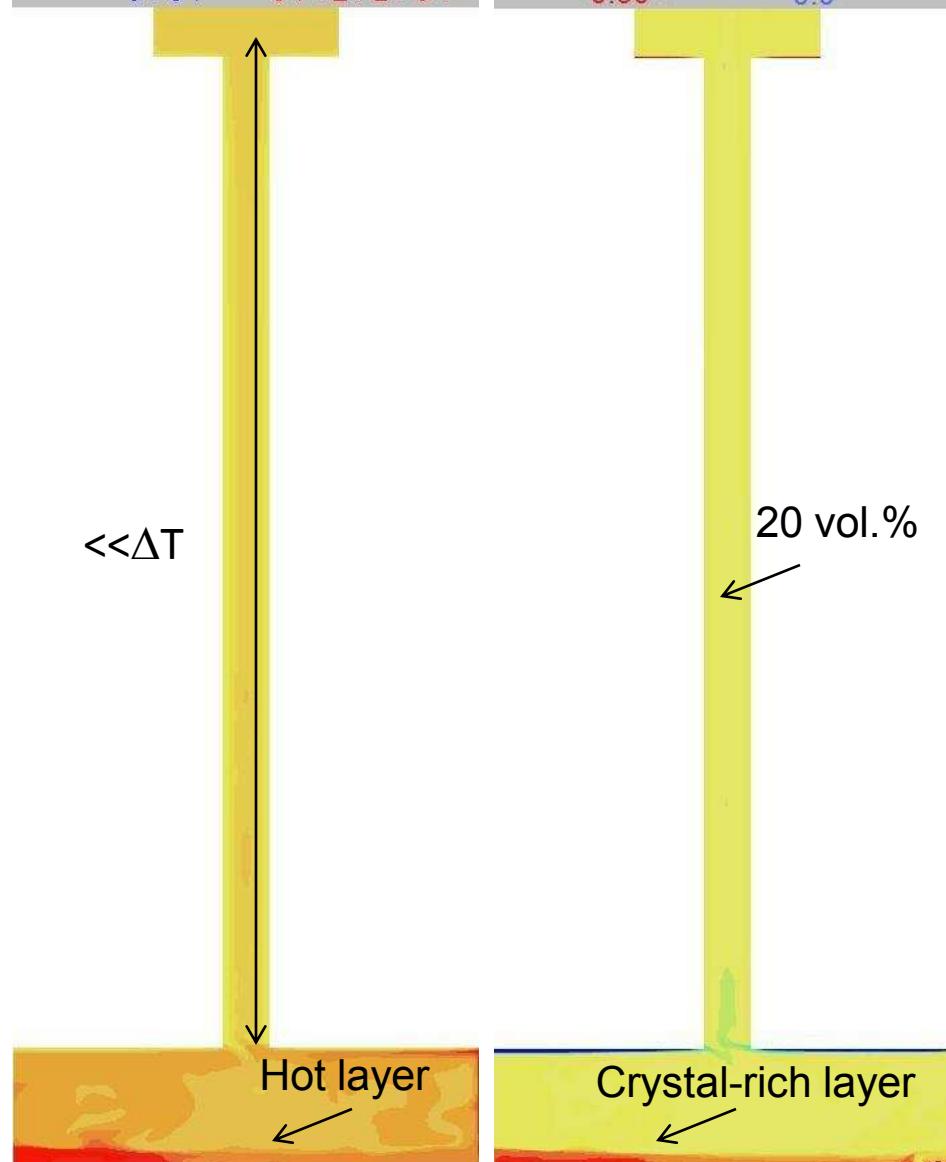
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### 5 Open system (Year 30)

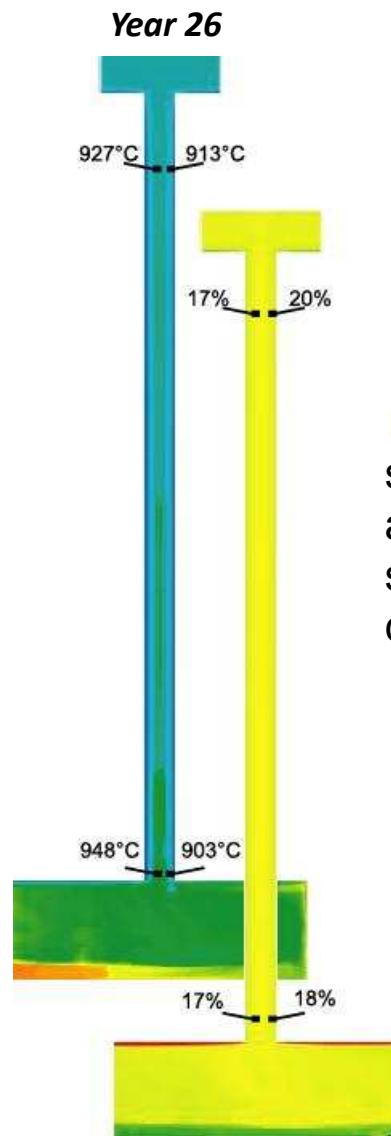
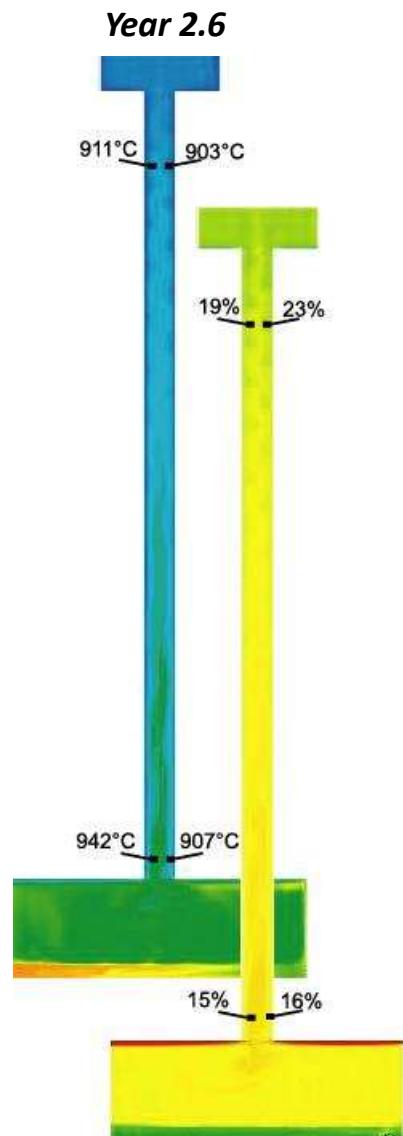
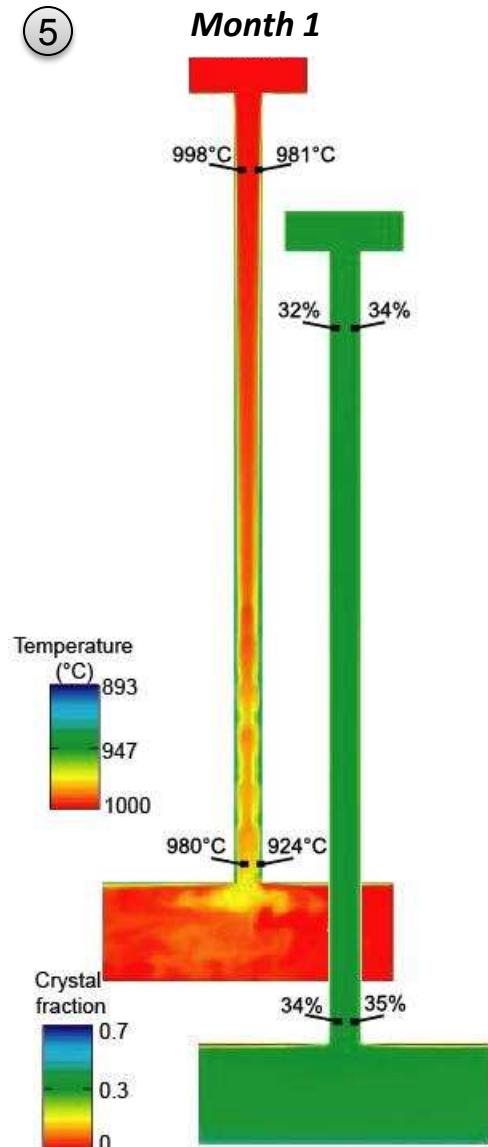
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## 2. Numerical modeling: role of crystals

## Bi-phase (open system)

(5)



$\Delta T: 8-17^{\circ}\text{C}$   
Cristallinity: 17-34 %

■ 20% of crystals in suspension represents a balance between sedimentation and convection.

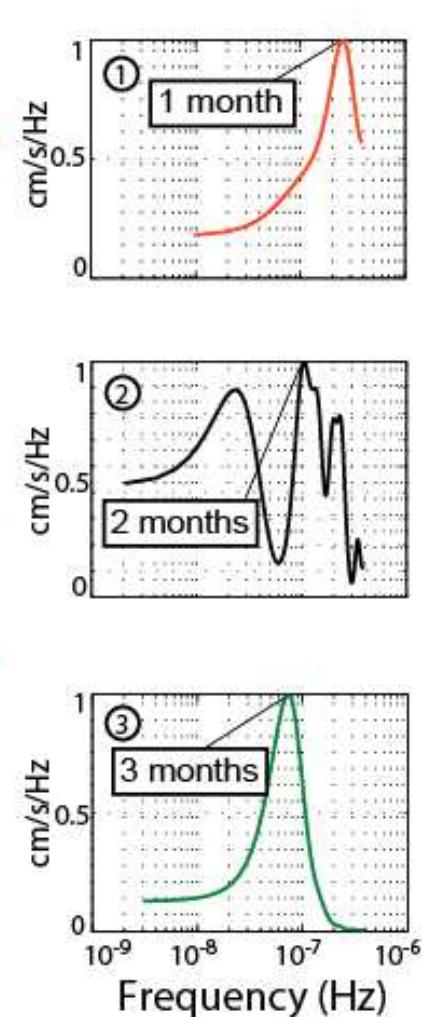
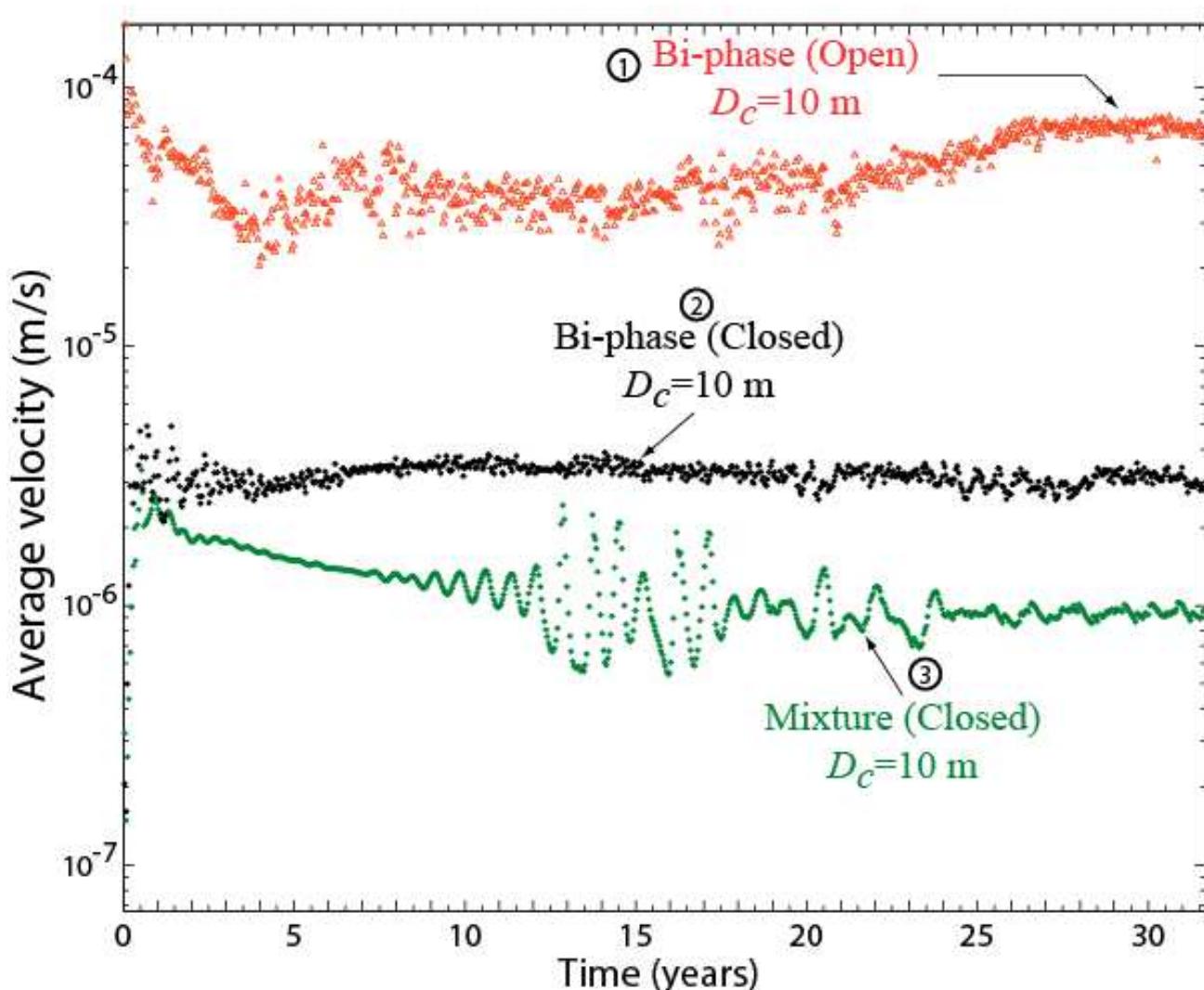
$\Delta T: 35-56^{\circ}\text{C}$   
Cristallinity: 15-35 %

$\Delta T=65^{\circ}\text{C}$  (*Sweeney et al, 2008*)  
 $\Delta T<120^{\circ}\text{C}$  (*Calkins et al, 2008*)

} Good agreement  
with our results

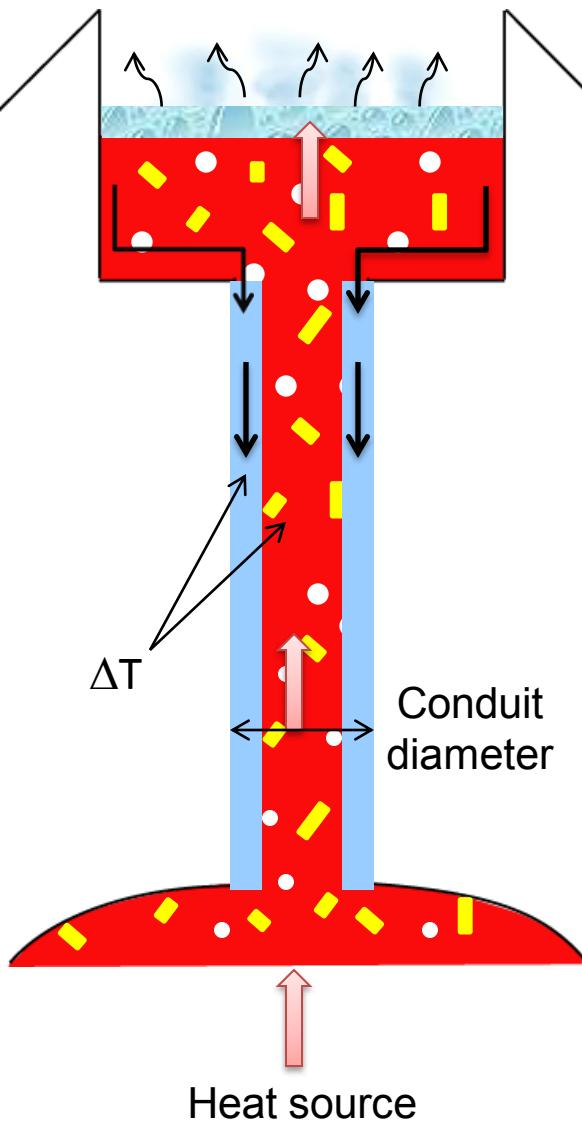


The smaller the crystals the more they remain in suspension

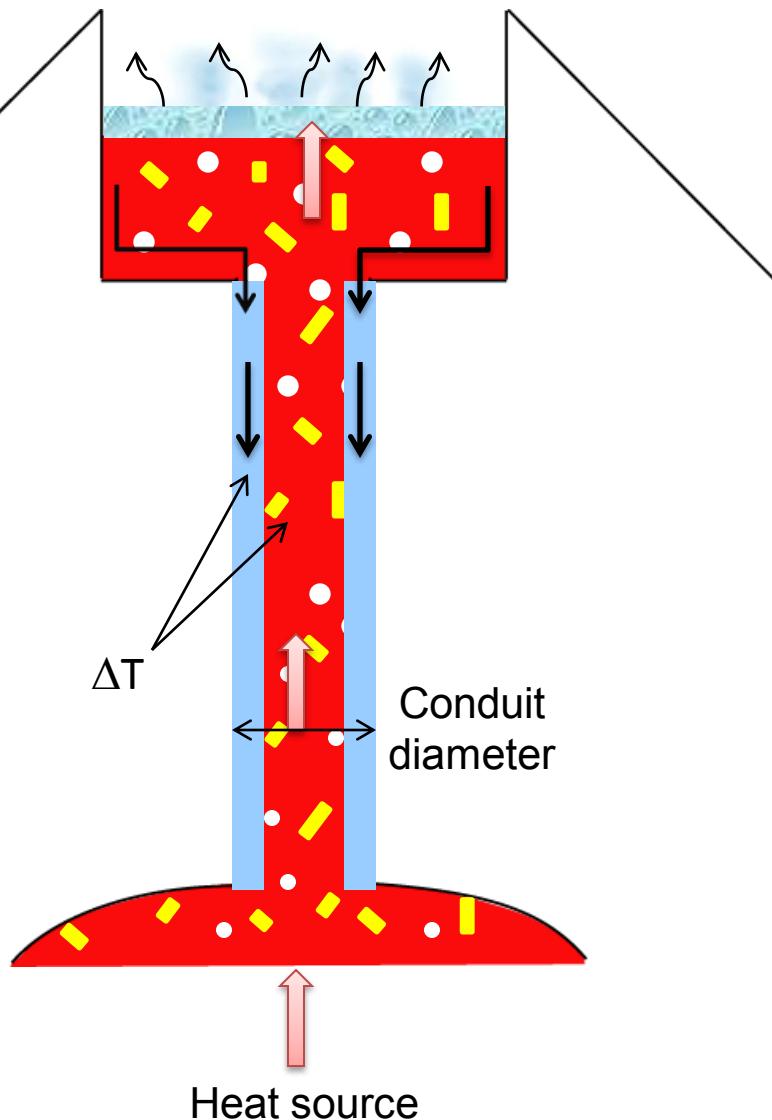


- Velocities are 3 orders of magnitude lower than the observed values of  $10^{-1} \text{ m/s}$
- Period is in the order of month far from the observed period of 10 min.

■ Open system shows a higher convective rate



- 1 Can we simulate the convective regime with fluid dynamics?  
😊 (1) Validation  
(2) Steady-state regime of Erebus.
- 2 Which conduit diameter is enough to sustain convection in Erebus?  
At least 10-m conduit diameter.
- 3 Can crystals be part of the melt?  
😊 Bi-phase and mixture simulations show similar behaviour in terms of:  
(1) central instability behaviour  
(2) temperature evolution  
(3) surface velocities.
- 4 Which  $\Delta T$  and crystal content characterize convective currents?  
(1) A maximum  $\Delta T=56^{\circ}\text{C}$   
(2) A maximum  $\Delta[\text{xtal}]=4 \text{ vol.}\%$



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### Role of crystals

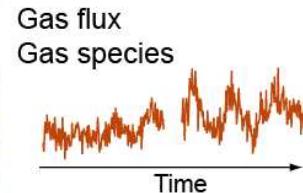
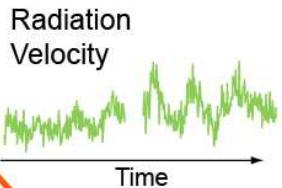
- (1) 20 vol.% of crystal remain in suspension.
- (2) They enhance the convective rate (amplitude and frequency); however those are still lower than observed values.



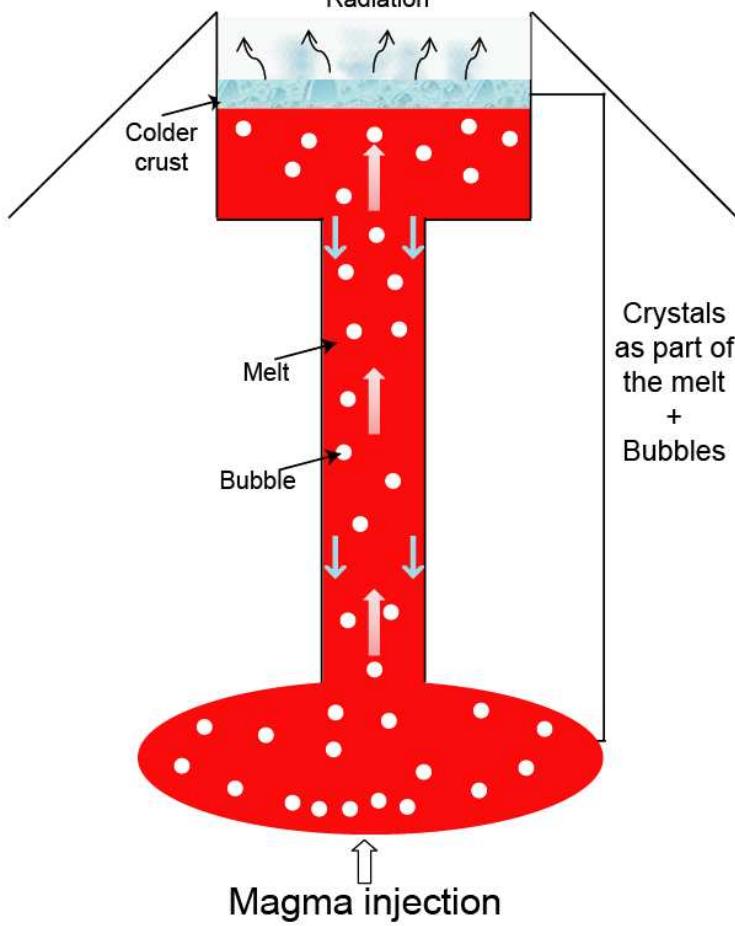
## 2. Numerical modeling: role of bubbles

Data

Thermal camera



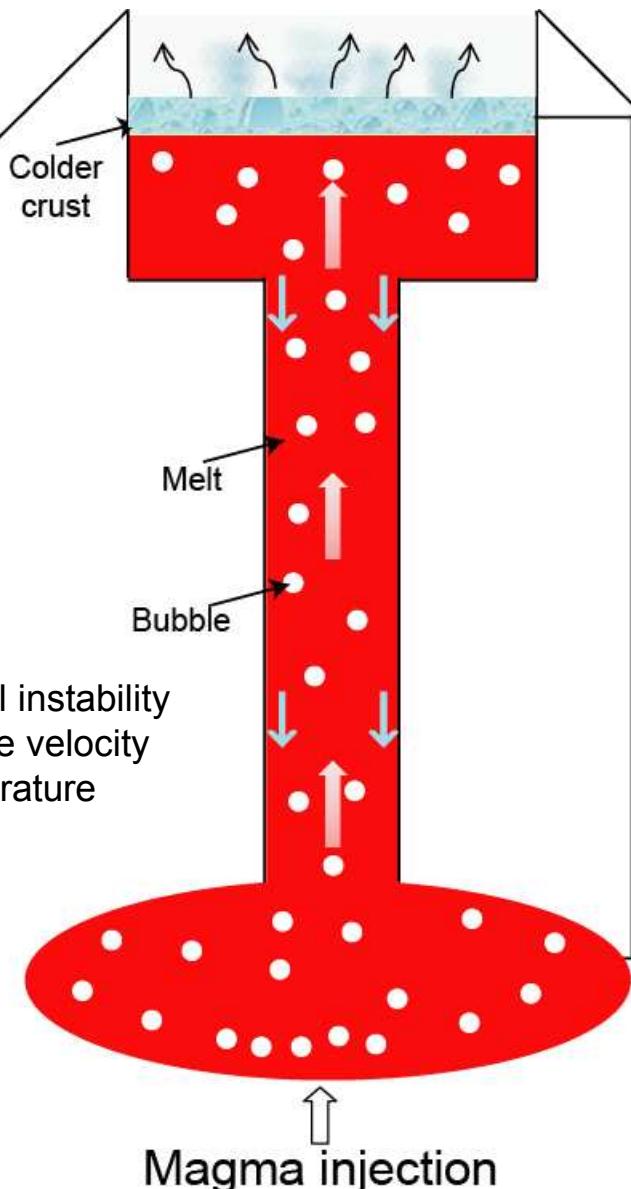
(Oppenheimer et al, 2009)



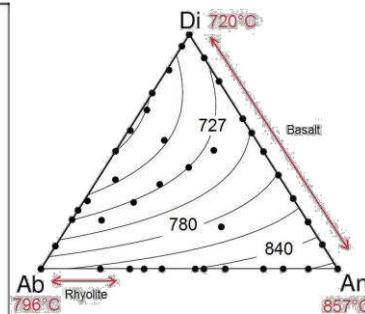
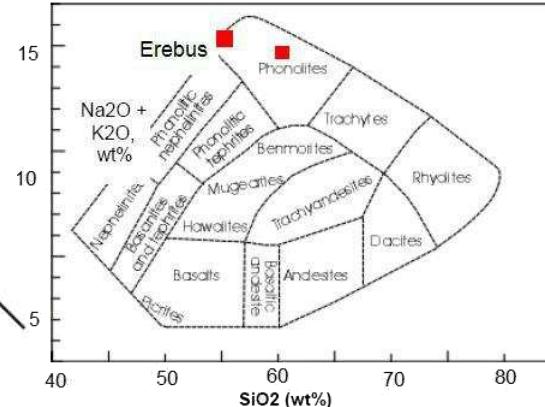
### 3. Numerical modeling: role of bubbles

### Hypothesis

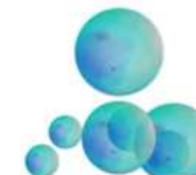
#### Open system



Crystals  
as part of  
the melt  
+  
Bubbles



- Variable bulk composition (as function of H<sub>2</sub>O) ([Kelly et al, 2008](#)).
- Constant thermodynamical properties (e.g., heat capacity, conductivity, initial density) ([Mastin and Ghiorso, 2000](#))
- Bulk viscosity as function of T ([Giordano et al, 2008](#)) ->30% crystals ([Krieger and Dougherty, 1959](#)) and H<sub>2</sub>O.



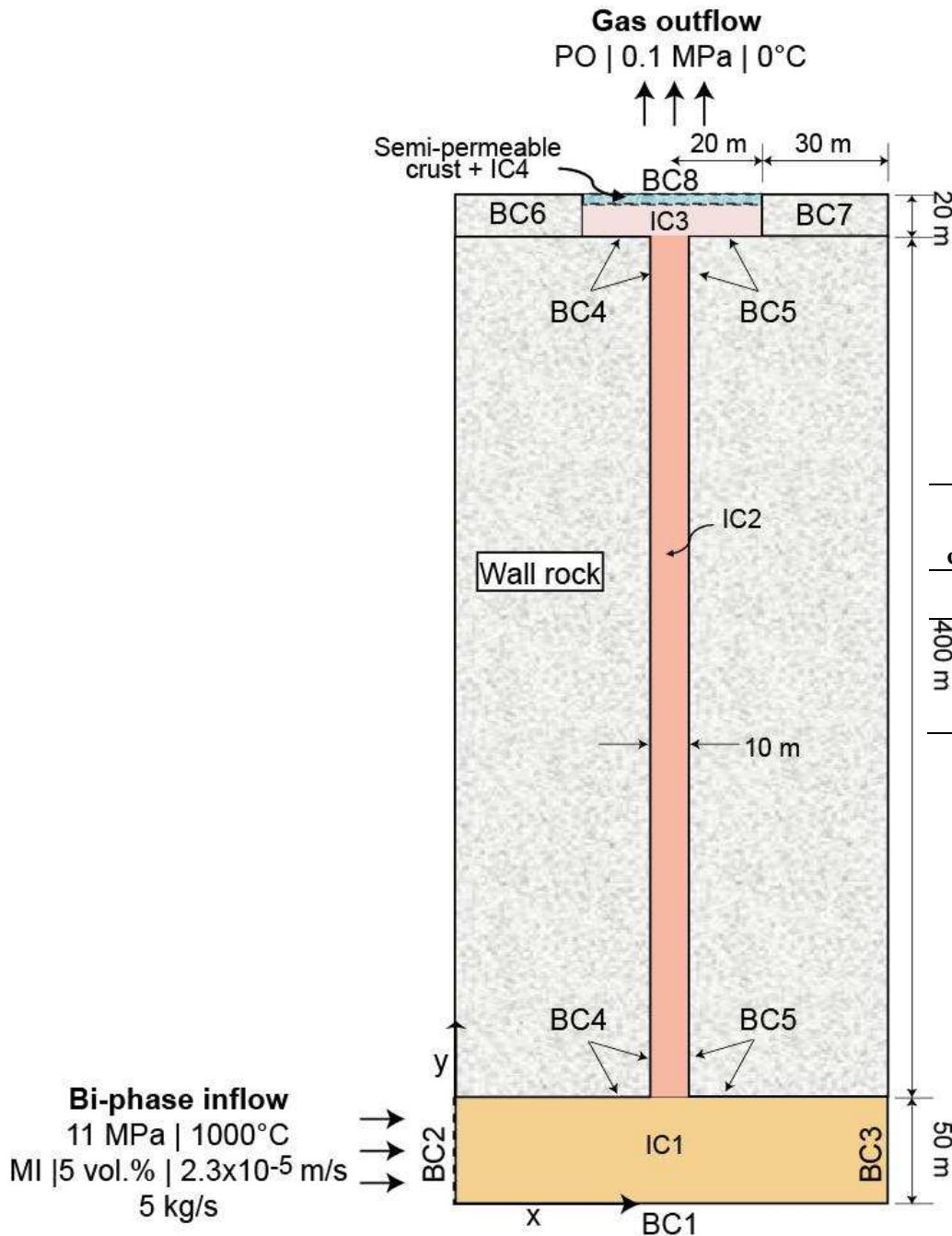
Bubbles of H<sub>2</sub>O  
with thermodynamical  
properties ([Ochkov, 2009](#))

Glass transition  
of 700°C  
([Russel and Giordano, 2005](#);  
[Molina et al, 2012](#))

- Only H<sub>2</sub>O
- Sphere
- Rigid
- Variable diameter
- Grow by expansion and diffusivity
- Non coalescence
- Non deviatoric stress
- Fixed BND 10<sup>11</sup>
- (*Pers. comm. Schipper*)

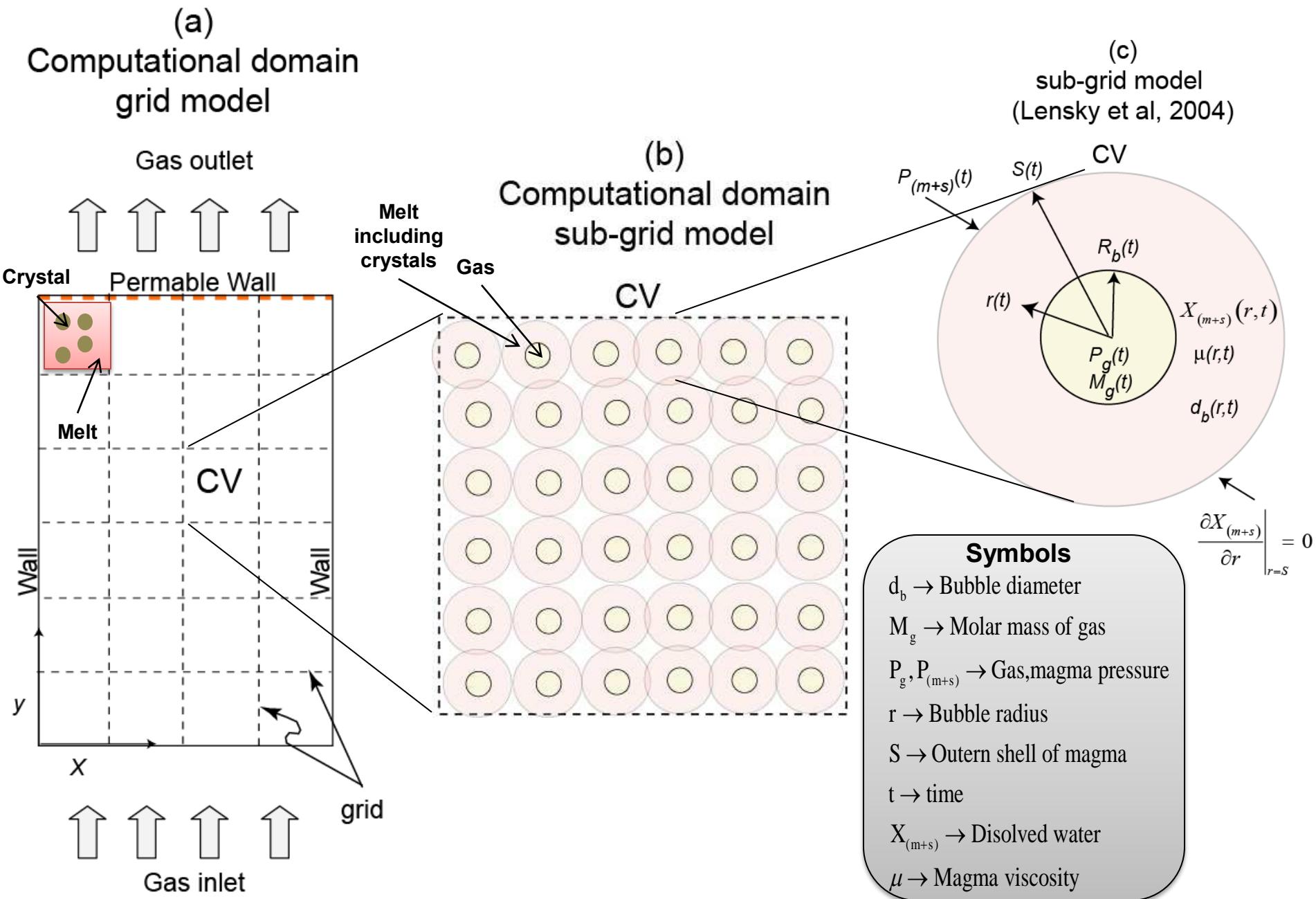
## 2. Numerical modeling: role of bubbles

## Hypotheses



Initial condition	Region of magma system	Mixture fraction	Bubble fraction	Temperature (°C)
		$\varepsilon_{(m+s)}$	$\varepsilon_g$	T <sub>m</sub>
IC1	Chamber	0.999	0.001	1000
IC2	Conduit	0.950	0.050	1000
IC3	Lake	0.900	0.100	1000
IC4	Top of the lake	0.999	0.001	700

Crust:  
Permeability  $10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$   
Gas velocity  $10^{-6} \text{ m/s}$



## Continuity (fluid+gas)

## Density

$$\rho \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_{(m+s)} = \varepsilon_s \rho_s + \varepsilon_m \left\{ \rho_o \left[ 1 - \alpha (T_{(m+s)} - T_o) \right] \right\} \\ \rho_g = \frac{P_g M_g}{G T_g} \end{array} \right.$$

## Symbols

 $d_b \rightarrow$  Bubble diameter $D_{H_2O} \rightarrow$  Water diffusivity $G \rightarrow$  Universal gas constant $M_g \rightarrow$  Molar mass of gas $P_g, P_{(m+s)} \rightarrow$  Gas,magma pressure $P \rightarrow$  pressure depth $r \rightarrow$  Bubble radius $T_{(m+s)}, T_o \rightarrow$  Mixture temperature $X_{(m+s)} \rightarrow$  Dissolved water $\sigma \rightarrow$  Surface tension $\varepsilon_s, \varepsilon_s \rightarrow$  Crystal/melt fraction $\rho_{(m+s)}, \rho_g \rightarrow$  Mixture/gas density $\mu_g, \mu_{(m+s)} \rightarrow$  Gas, mixture viscosity $\bar{\bar{I}}, \bar{\bar{\tau}}_{(m+s)} \rightarrow$  Identity, viscous tensor

## Momentum (fluid+gas)

## Bulk viscosity

$$\mu \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu_g = 0 \\ \mu_{(m+s)} = \mu_m \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon_s}{1 - \varepsilon_m^*} \right)^{-[\eta](1 - \varepsilon_m^*)} \end{array} \right.$$

## Stress tensor

$$\bar{\bar{S}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\bar{S}}_{(m+s)} = P_{(m+s)} \bar{\bar{I}} + \bar{\bar{\tau}}_{(m+s)} \\ \bar{\bar{S}}_g = P_g \bar{\bar{I}} \end{array} \right.$$

By simplifying Lensky et al, 2004

## Drag

$$P_g = P_{(m+s)} + \frac{4\sigma}{d_b} + \frac{4\dot{d}_b}{d_b} \mu_{(m+s)} (1 - \varepsilon_g)$$

Joshi et al, 2001

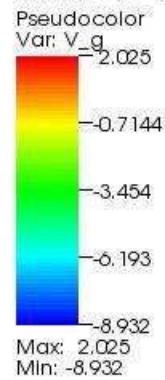
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Krieger and Dougherty, 1959

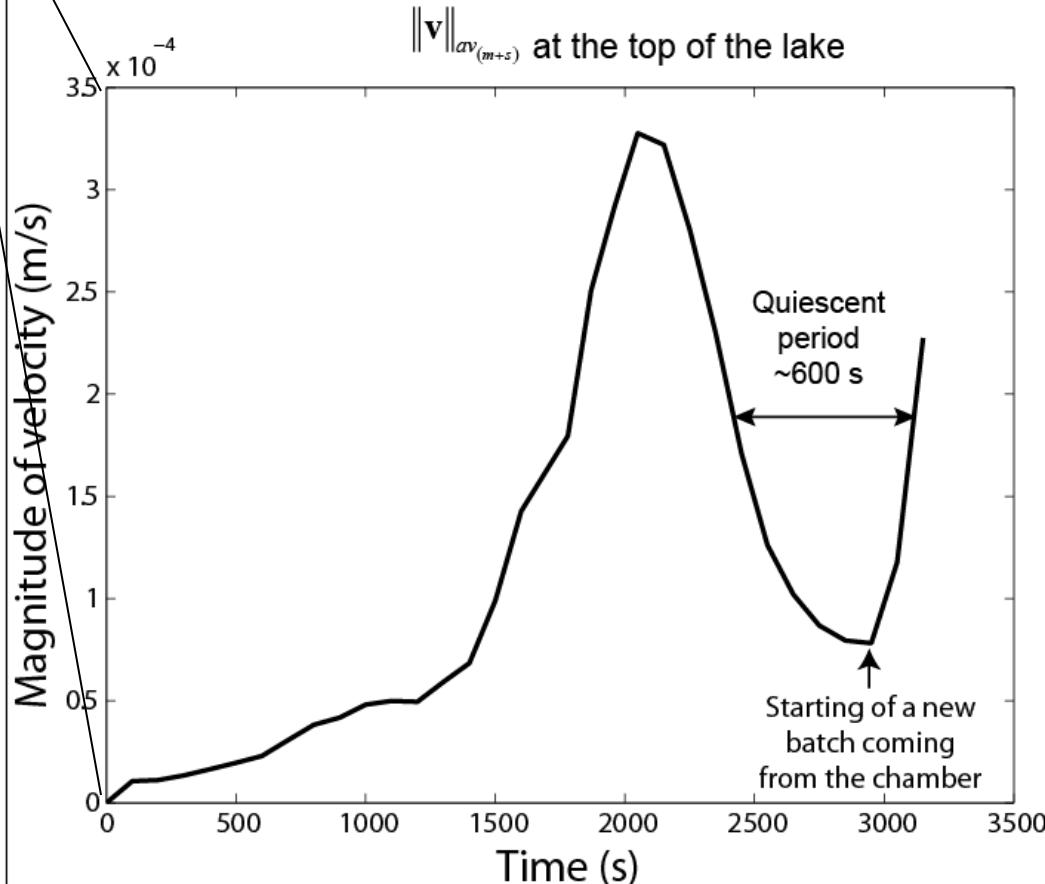
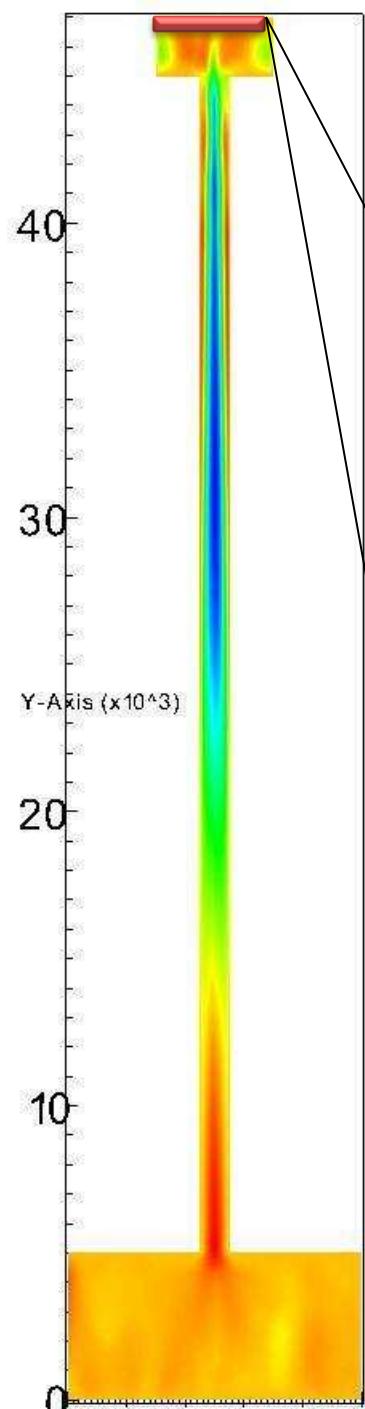
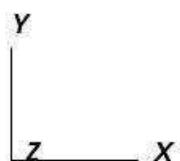
 $f(H_2O)$

## General results

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Time:3150

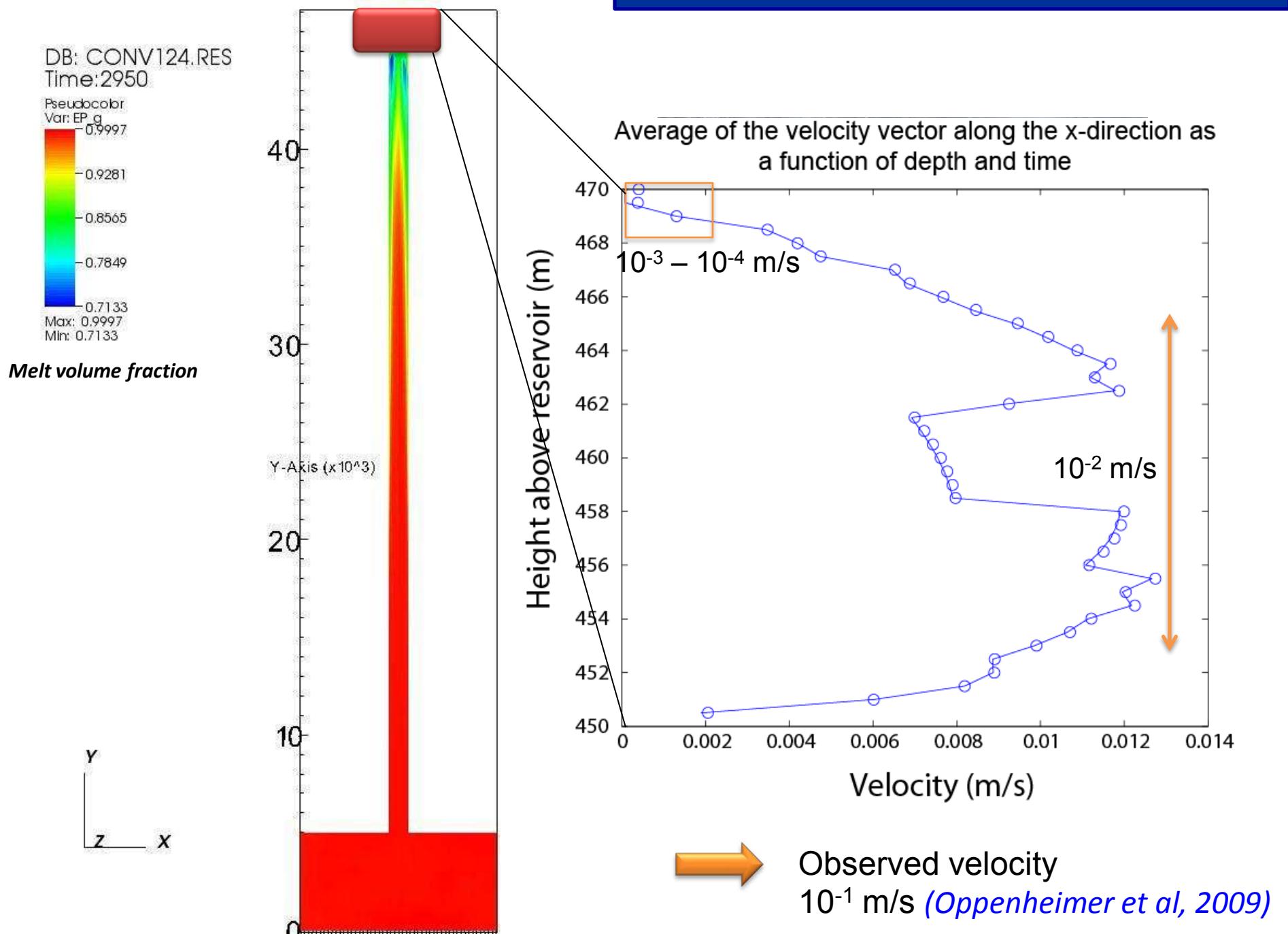


Vertical velocity (cm/s)



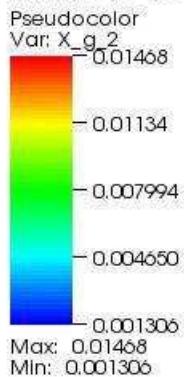
Observed cycle of 600 s (10 min)  
(Oppenheimer et al, 2009)

## General results

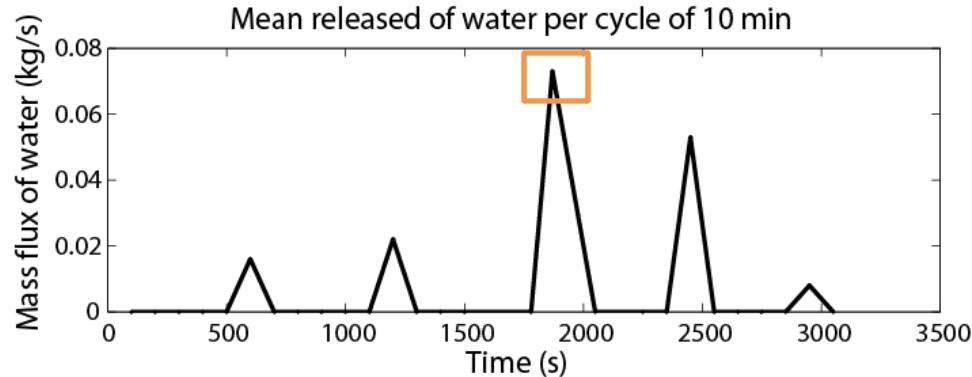
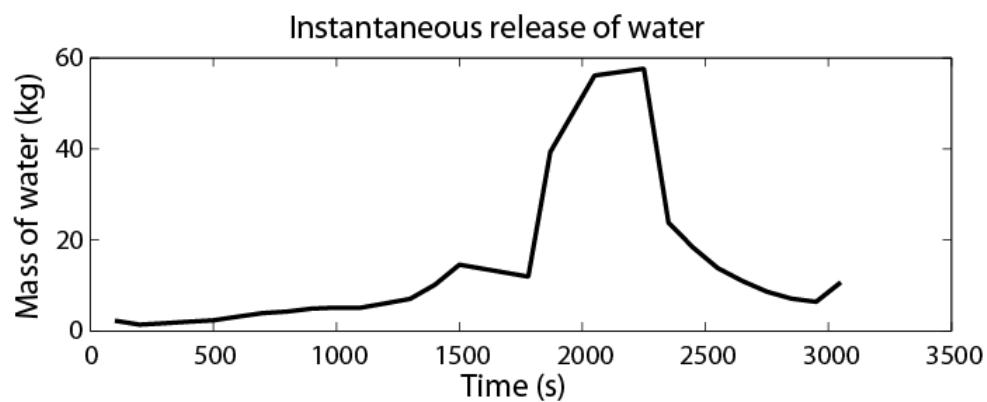
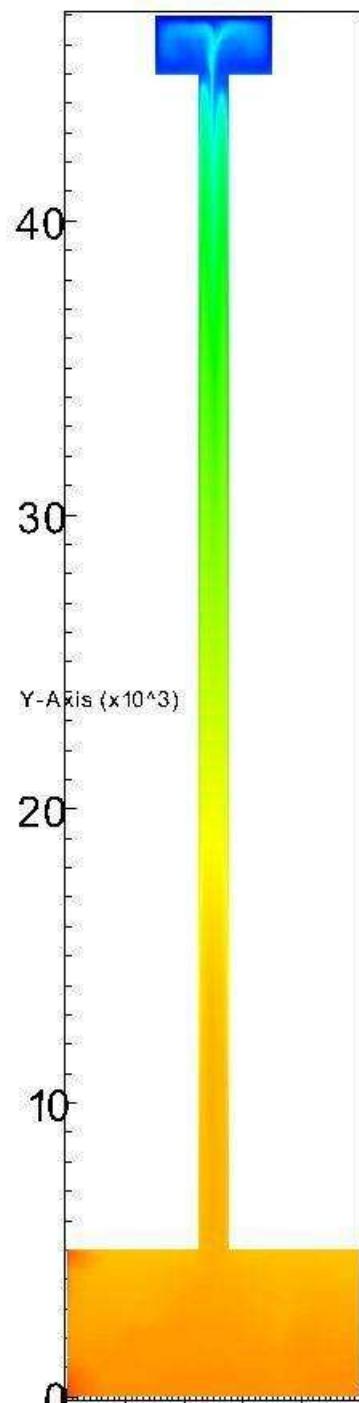
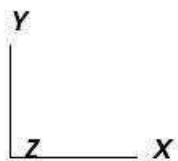


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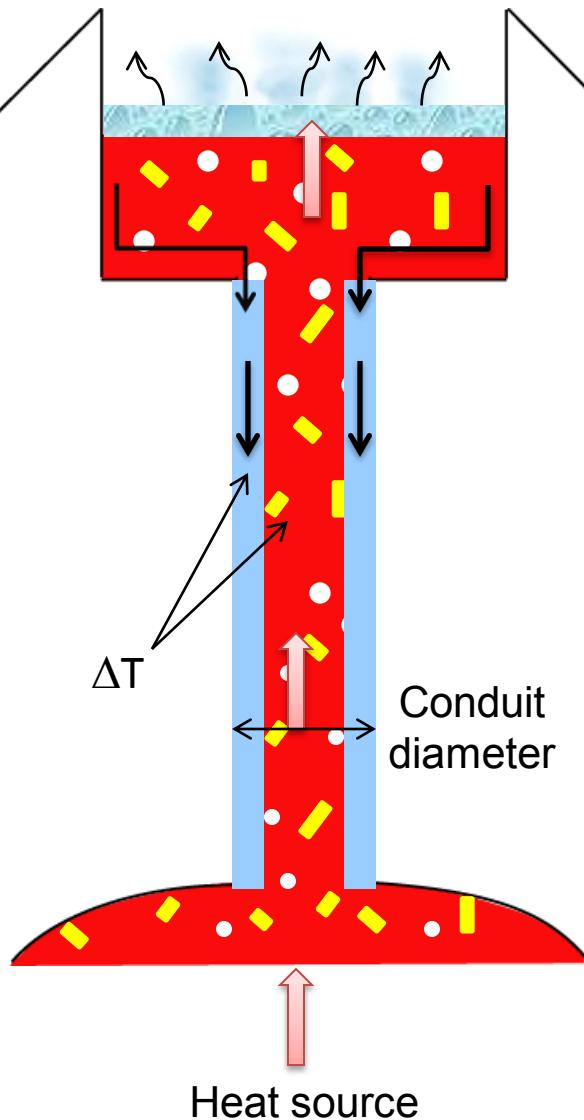
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Wt% of  $H_2O$



Observed released water  
of 7 kg/s  
(Oppenheimer et al, 2009)



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Explain the role of bubbles.



Our simulation suggest that magma can rise by intermittent batches of magma.



Bubbles increase velocity rate in one order of magnitude but this rate remains two orders of magnitude lower than observed one.

The gas water flux output is two orders of magnitude lower compared to observations.

In order to approach to reality we need to work on the following parameters:



Change the permeability of crust.  
Change the rate of recharge.

★ This is the first study aiming at understanding the convection of the whole magma system with the MFIX model.

★ We can simulate the permanent convection in Erebus provided the conduit be large enough.

### Numerical

★ Crystal can be considered as part of the melt, however their presence (and more so the presence of bubbles) enhances the modeled velocities at the surface of the lava lake. Those velocities are still 2 orders of magnitude lower than the observed ones.

★ Simulations including bubbles can reproduce 10 min period, but we need to reach more time of simulation.

A direction for future work: include the coalescence process.

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