

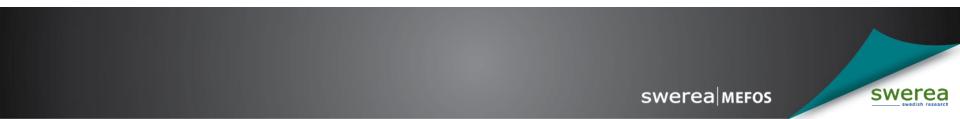
Gas radiation model for reheating furnaces

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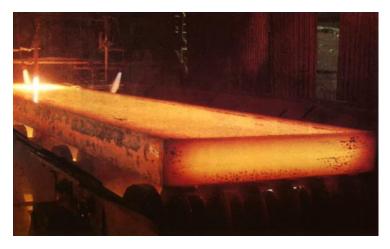
Background

- Modelling of gas radiation is needed for calculations of stock temperatures in furnace simulations and in process control when there is infrared radiative gases
- Swerea MEFOS, together with IFE (Norway) and Jernkontoret, have developed the software STEELTEMP[®] that e.g. calculates heat transfer from gas and wall to stock in reheating furnaces
- The furnace control system FOCS, delivered by PREVAS, has the same calculation models for e.g. heat transfer



STEELTEMP[®] 2D

- STEELTEMP[®] 2D is a software using mathematical models for heat transfer analysis and temperature calculations for a number of different processes:
 - Casting
 - Cooling
 - Heating
 - Flat rolling
 - Open-die forging
 - Quenching

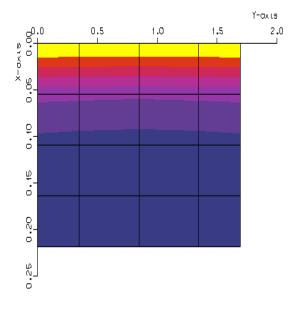


 STEELTEMP[®] 2D increases the control of the slab temperature and the process, which give a more efficient production with a higher product quality.



STEELTEMP[®] 2D

- Temperatures and heat densities are calculated in stocks with rectangular or circular cross sections
- Composite structures can be analysed and temperature gradients in the stocks can be minimized







Important parameters in gas radiation modelling

- $\epsilon_g = Emissivity$ of furnace gases
 - Near zero for protective gases, e.g. N_2 and H_2
 - Very important for oxyfuel fired furnaces with high levels of water vapour and carbon dioxide

• A_q = Absorptivity

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- Very important for oxyfuel fired furnaces with high levels of water vapour and carbon dioxide
- Function of surface temperature in addition to the same parameters as for gas emissivity
- $\tau_g = \text{Transmissivity}$
 - $\tau_g = 1 A_g$
 - Near 1 for protective gases

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Model for radiation heat exchange in a furnace room

The radiation heat exchange between the flue gas (CO_2 , H_2O and SO_2), the walls, roof and the stock, respectively is described by the model

$$\varphi_s = \frac{\sigma \varepsilon_s}{1 - (1 - \varepsilon_s)(1 - A_{gs})} (\varepsilon_g \Theta_g^4 - A_{gs} \Theta_s^4) + \sigma \varepsilon_{sw} (\Theta_w^4 - \Theta_s^4) = \varphi_{gs} + \varphi_{ws}$$

where

- ϵ_s = emissivity of stock [-]
- ϵ_g = emissivity of gas [-]
- ϵ_{sw} = radiation heat exchange factor between walls, roof and stock, respectively [-]
- Θ_{s} = stock temperature [K]
- Θ_{g} = gas temperature [K]
- Θ_{w} = wall temperature [K]

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The absorptivities of CO_2 and H_2O gas to radiation are given by

$$A_{gs} = \left(\frac{\Theta_g}{\Theta_s}\right)^{0.65} * \varepsilon_{g_{CO2}}(\Theta_s, s * p_{CO2} \frac{\Theta_s}{\Theta_g})$$

and

$$A_{gs} = \left(\frac{\Theta_g}{\Theta_s}\right)^{0.45} * \varepsilon_{g_{H2O}}(\Theta_s, s * p_{H2O}, \frac{\Theta_s}{\Theta_g})$$

where

- s = thickness of the gas layer [-]
- p_{xi} = partial pressure of the flue gas component x_i [atm]

For calculation of the gas emissivity, as a function of the gas temperature, the partial pressure of CO_2 , H_2O and SO_2 and the gas layer thickness, analytical expressions derived by K. Schack are used. These expressions are based on the accurate gas radiation measurements made by Hottel and Egbert in 1942.



The radiation exchange factor between the walls, roof and the stock is given by

$$\varepsilon_{sw} = \varepsilon_s \varepsilon_w \tau_g \beta_{sw} + \Delta \varepsilon_{sw}, \qquad \beta_{sw} = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{2} (\sin \beta_k - \sin \beta_k)$$

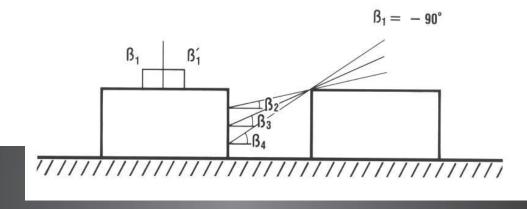
where

- ϵ_w = emissivity of wall [-]
- τ_g = transmissivity of gas

 β_{sw} = view factor from the walls and roof to the stock [-]

 $\Delta \varepsilon_{sw}$ = correction factor for flame radiation [-]

In the program the view factors and the gas layer thicknesses are calculated automatically from geometrical data describing the location of the stock with neighbours in the furnace. The users can also give their own values of the gas layer thicknesses.

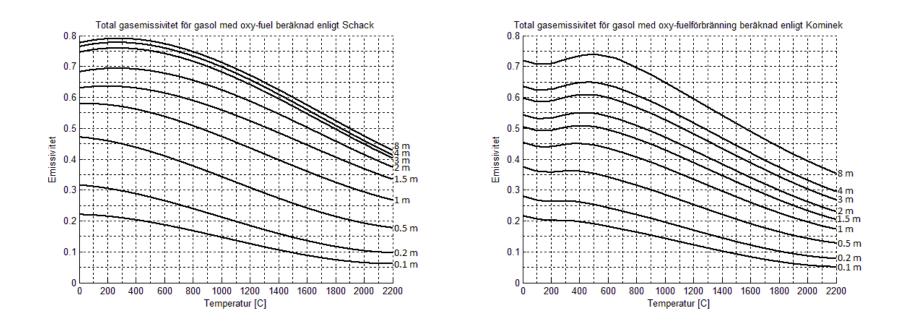


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 $\beta'_1 = \beta'_2 = \beta'_3 = \beta'_4 = 90^\circ$

Total gas emissivity – oxyfuel fired propane

Adaptions of Schack vs Kominek from Hottel's data



The graphs show emissivity for different gas layer thickness. Gas layer thickness = 1.76 x distance (between infinite parallel surfaces)

Gas radiation modelling in the industry

- Continuous heat treatment furnaces
 - e.g. Outokumpu KBR with oxyfuel firing needs accurate gas radiation modelling



- Small batch furnaces with protective gas heat transfer modelling of heating and cooling but no gas radiation modelling
- STEELTEMP heat transfer modelling can be used in many different furnaces

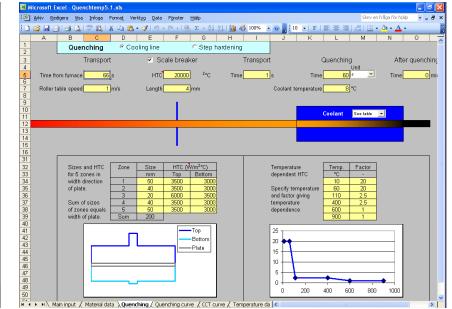


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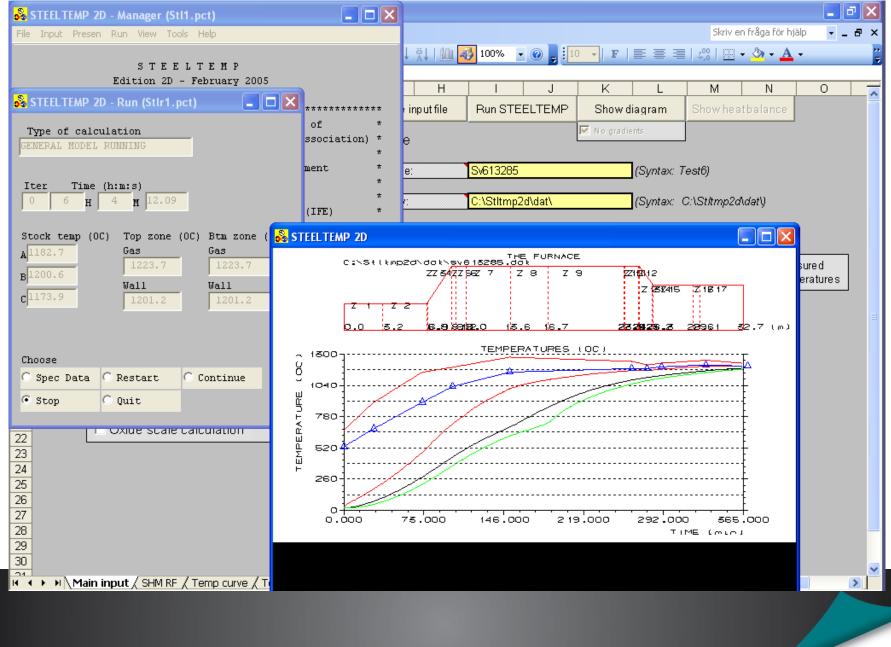
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New on-line version of STEELTEMP is under development



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Flue gas calculation with oxygen enrichment

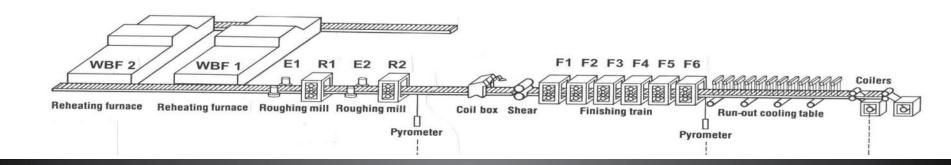
- Flue gas flow is calculated in each furnace zone using:
 - Chemical analysis of fuel
 - Fuel flow of up to four different fuels
 - Air flow
 - Oxygen
- Calculations normally start in the soaking zone but arbitrary flue gas flow is possible
- Flue gas composition is calculated for each zone



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Microstructure model as DLL in STEELTEMP® 2D

- User-defined microstructure model can be used in STEELTEMP[®] 2D
- Process and microstructure data can be defined and results plotted in STEELGEN 2D



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Microstructure data in STEELTEMP® 2D

- General microstructure data:
 - Steel composition in weight per cent
 - Fraction of microstructure constituents (austenite, ferrite, perlite, cementite, bainite, martensite)
 - Fraction recrystallized austenite, grain sizes of recrystallized and non-recrystallized austenite
 - Grain deformation parameters
 - Nucleation densities
- The variables can be plotted in STEELGEN 2D
- User-defined variables

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Sheet for microstructure data

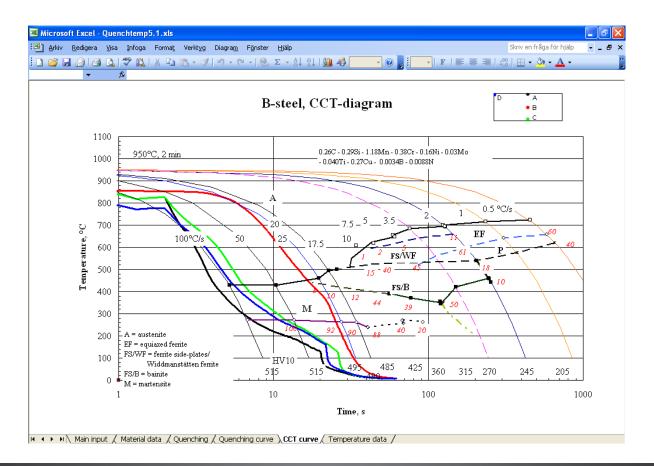
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Cooling Cycles in STEELTEMP® using Quenchtemp



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Summary of calculations in STEELTEMP®

- Temperature calculations of heat transfer with gas radiation and wall radiation in arbitrary flue gas atmosphere
- Calculations of microstructure after heat treatment for processes including heating and cooling
- STEELTEMP calculations can be applied for online process control in FOCS in cooperation with PREVAS



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