

Numerical Simulation of Czochralski Crystal Growth

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Introduction: Growth of GaAs by the Czochralski Method

Czochralski method:

- technique to grow large mono-crystals from the melt
 - semi-conductors (Si, Ge, GaAs), metals, oxides, halides

GaAs

- **semi-conductor mono-crystals**
 - Si: $\varnothing \sim 200 - 300$ mm, length \sim m
 - **GaAs**: $\varnothing \sim 100 - 150$ mm
 - crystal (cylinder) is cut into **wafers** \rightarrow substrate for chips

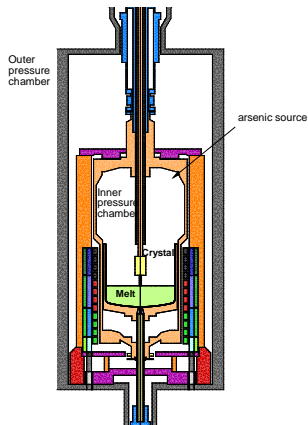
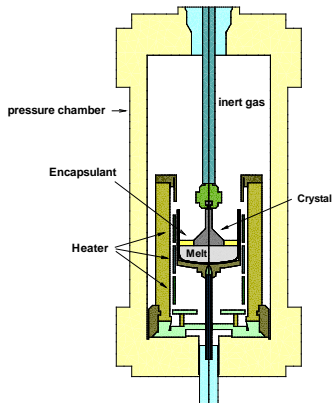
improve process: increase growth yield, improve quality of crystal
 additional instrument to control the process: magnetic fields

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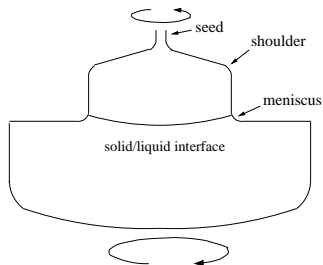
develop a new technology for applying traveling magnetic fields

Growth of GaAs by the Czochralski method

Liquid Encapsulated Cz (LEC) Vapor pressure controlled Cz (VCz)



Crystal and melt – melt flow and temperature fluctuations



- solid/liquid interface: konvex, nearly planar
- meniscus influences diameter, thermally controlled
- release of latent heat, limits pull velocity

convection due to buoyancy has to be controlled

- rotation of crystal : homogenize radial temperature distribution
- rotation of crucible: stabilize flow, damp convection

increase growth yield (\Rightarrow melt height)

- need additional instrument to control the melt flow and temperature fluctuations, e.g. **magnetic fields**

Traveling magnetic field

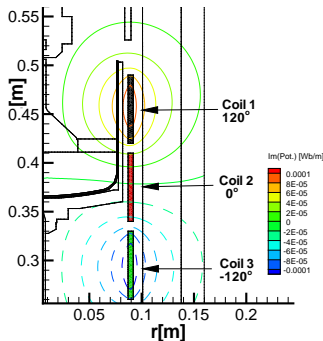
alternating current: frequency f , phase shift between coils ϕ

infinite conductor

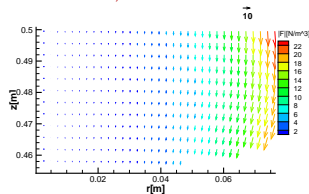
$$\vec{A} = A(r)e^{i(2\pi ft - az)}\vec{e}_\varphi$$

a wave number, $a \propto \phi$

$f \geq 50$ Hz \Rightarrow average \vec{F}_L over a period



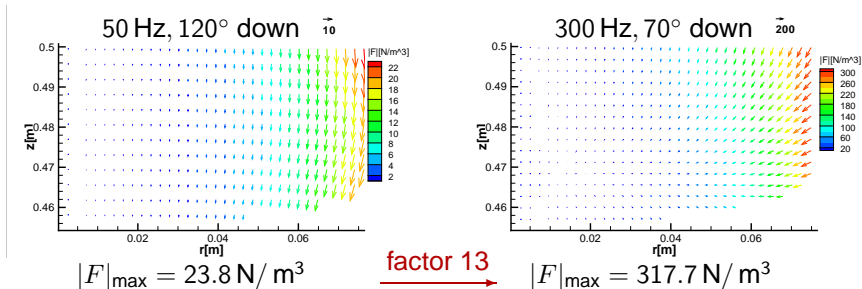
$f = 50$ Hz, 120° down



vertical component of \vec{F}_L
counteracts buoyancy

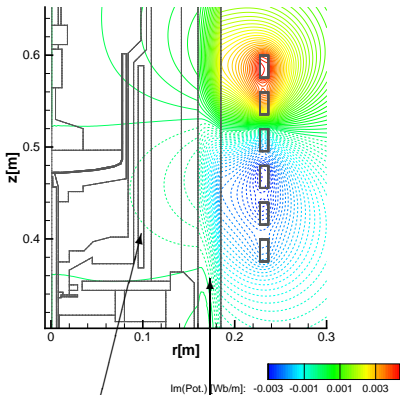
Parameters

\vec{F}_L strongly depends on frequency f and phase shift ϕ , e.g.



⇒ additional parameters in the growth process

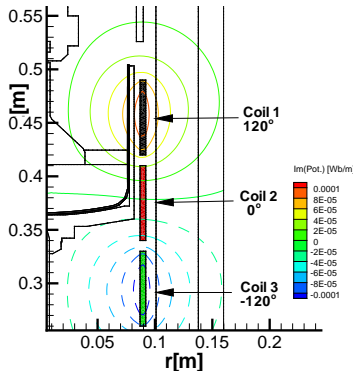
usually
induction coils outside



resistance
heater

steel

combined heater magnet module



reduces power consumption
 ~ 9 kW produce a relevant field

Development of the new technology

experiment

- crystal growth is possible with the new module
 - VCz without boron oxide: several crystals grown
 - LEC: first crystals
- influence of the magnetic field
 - VCz: influence shown
- magnetic field improves growth process
 - VCz: striations more regular with smaller amplitude

tasks for numerics


- simulations to “aid the design”, limit parameter ranges, e.g.
 - thickness of coils \Rightarrow Lorentz force
 - reduce temperature oscillations close to the interface
- reproduce experimental results, provide explanations, e.g.
 - Lorentz force: experiment \leftrightarrow simulation
 - comparison with results from VCz growth

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Global simulation stationary

- magnetic field, currents:
reduced Maxwell equations
- temperature distribution
 - heat conduction
 - radiation
 - heat sources
- control T at triple point
- axially symmetric
- WIAS-HiTNIHS (Klein, Philip)
 - finite volume method
 - pdelib, PARDISO, triangle

Coupling

 T_{stat}, \vec{F}_L

Local simulation transient

- Navier-Stokes equations
Boussinesq approx.
 $\Rightarrow u, p, T$ in the melt
- \vec{F}_L , boundary data for T
from global simulation
- axially symmetric, 3D
- Large Eddy Simulations
- NAVIER (Bänsch)
 - finite element method
 - fractional θ scheme

What we neglect ...

- solid/liquid interface
 - a-priori given flat interface between crystal and melt
 ⇒ no statements about the interface possible
- gas convection
 - input power is underestimated
 - error depends on the growth method
 VCz with B_2O_3 : good reproduction of axial temperature gradients
 VCz without B_2O_3 ?
 LEC: e.g. heating power strongly depends on pressure
- global simulation: convection of the melt
 - overestimates input power and ΔT in the melt
 - high rotation rates: rotation dominates convection

What we neglect ...

- motion induced current
 - $\vec{j} = \sigma(\vec{E} + \vec{u} \times \vec{B})$
 - dimensional analysis: $\frac{|\vec{u} \times \vec{B}|}{|\vec{E}|} \sim 10^{-3}$
 - Maxwell equations decouple from Navier-Stokes
- global simulation: assumption of axial symmetry
 - heater magnet module deviates from axial symmetry \rightarrow approximate 3D effects in 2D simulation
 - asymmetry of magnetic field is compensated by rotation of the melt
- local simulation: assumption of axial symmetry
 - in the vicinity of the axis: severe
 - in the outer part of the crucible: rotation stabilizes flow

Global Simulation – Magnetic field

Maxwell's equations (neglecting the displacement current $\partial_t \vec{D}$):

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{H} = \vec{j} \quad (1)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \partial_t \vec{B} + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = 0 \quad (2)$$

Ohm's law $\vec{j} = \sigma \vec{E}$

assumptions:

- axially symmetric setting,

$$\vec{j} = j \vec{e}_\varphi, \quad \vec{A} = \phi \vec{e}_\varphi, \quad \text{where} \quad \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$$

- all electro-magnetic quantities are periodic in time

reduced Maxwell equations:

$$-\frac{1}{\mu} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{\nabla}(r\phi)}{r^2} \right) = \frac{j}{r}, \quad j = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{in insulators,} \\ -i\omega \sigma_c \phi + \frac{\sigma_c v_k}{2\pi r} & \text{in } k\text{-th coil ring,} \\ -i\omega \sigma_c \phi & \text{in other conductors,} \end{cases}$$

Global simulation – Temperature

axially symmetric and stationary temperature distribution

$$-\vec{\nabla}(\kappa \vec{\nabla} T) = f$$

with κ thermal conductivity, f heat sources (j^2/σ)

radiative heat transfer between surfaces of cavities:

$$\vec{q}_{\text{gas}} \vec{n} + R - J = \vec{q}_{\text{solid}} \vec{n}$$

R total outgoing radiation $R = \sigma \epsilon T^4 + (1 - \epsilon)J$

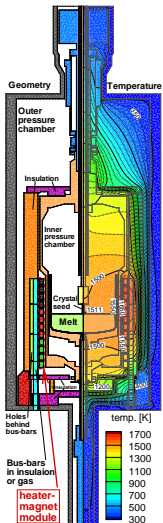
J incoming radiation $J(x) = \int \Lambda(x, y) \omega(x, y) R(y) dy$

σ Boltzmann radiation constant, ϵ emissivity

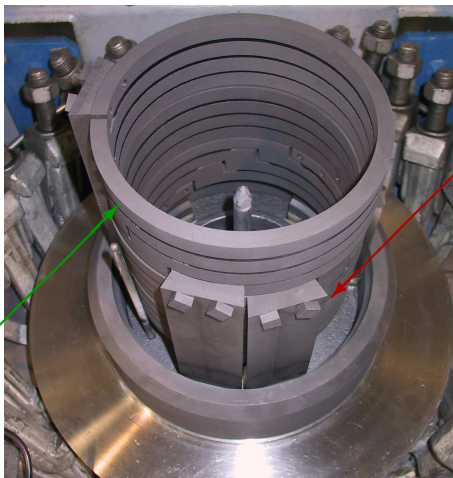
$\Lambda(x, y) = 1$ if y is “visible” from x , 0 otherwise

$\omega(x, y)$ view factors

Global temperature distribution



Asymmetry of heater magnet



heater magnet

bus bars
not
axially symmetric

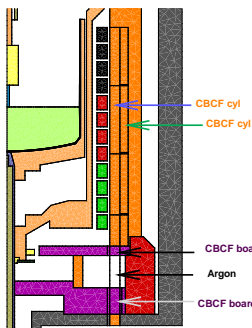
⇒ account for
asymmetries
in 2.5D simulations

photo: IKZ

account for 3D effects

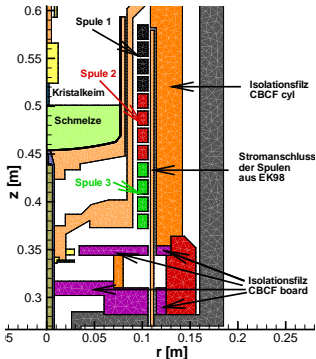
Model 1

ignore bus bars



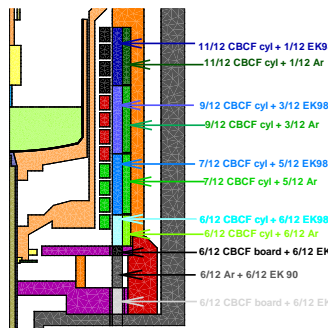
Model 2

bus bars: thin cylinder



Model 3

average over materials



Local Simulation – Navier-Stokes equations, Boussinesq approximation

$$\partial_t \vec{u} + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{u} = -\vec{\nabla} p + \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta \vec{u} + \frac{\text{Gr}}{\text{Re}^2} T \vec{e}_z + \frac{L}{\rho_0 V^2} \vec{j} \times \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{u} = 0$$

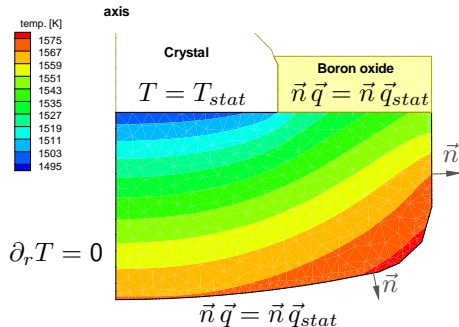
$$\partial_t T + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) T = \frac{1}{\text{Pr Re}} \Delta T$$

with

- $\rho_0 = \rho(T_{melt})$, $p = (\tilde{p} + \rho_0 |\vec{g}| z) / (\rho_0 V^2)$, with \tilde{p} pressure
- units $L, V, L/V$ for length, velocity, time, δT for temperature
- T difference to melting temperature
- $\text{Re} := \frac{VL}{\nu}$ Reynolds number, $\text{Gr} := \frac{\alpha \delta T g L^3}{\nu^2}$ Grashof number, $\text{Pr} := \frac{\nu}{\chi}$ Prandtl number, $\text{Pr} = 0.068$
- orders of magnitude: $\text{Re} \sim 10^3 - 10^4$, $\text{Gr} \sim 10^8$

Boundary Conditions

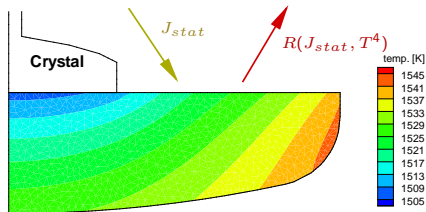
Temperature



with encapsulant

radiation

$$\vec{n} \vec{q} = \vec{n} \vec{q}_{stat} + \sigma \epsilon (T^4 - T_{stat}^4)$$

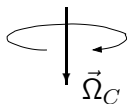
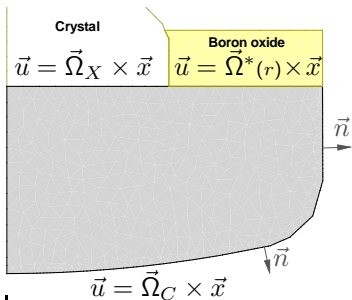
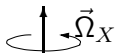


without encapsulant

$$\vec{n} \vec{q} = -\kappa \vec{n} \vec{\nabla} T, \quad \sigma = \text{Stefan-Boltzmann}, \quad \epsilon = \text{emissivity}$$

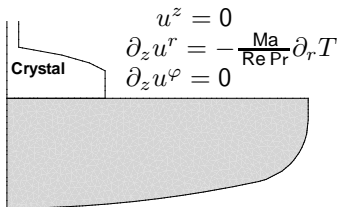
Boundary Conditions

Velocity



$$\vec{\Omega}^*(r) = \vec{\Omega}_X + (\vec{\Omega}_C - \vec{\Omega}_X) \frac{r - r_X}{r_C - r_X}$$

Marangoni convection



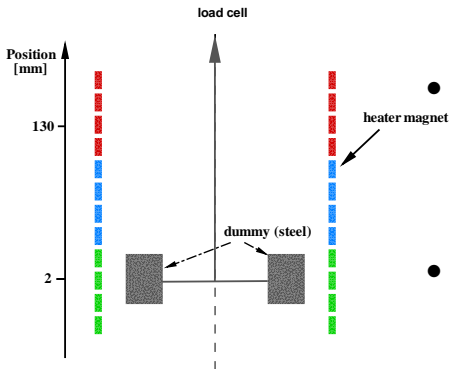
$$\text{Ma} = \left(-\frac{\partial s}{\partial T}\right) \frac{\delta T L}{\rho_0 \nu \chi}$$

without encapsulant

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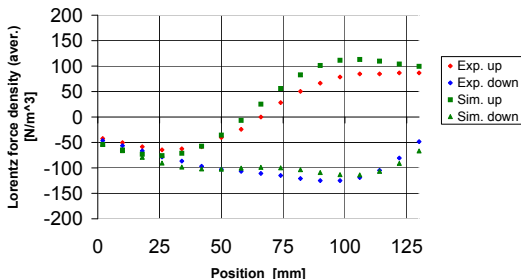
Lorentz force: experiment ↔ simulation



- experimental data (2006):
 - dummy (steel) at various positions
 - TMF with various frequencies, phases
- load cell measures change in weight
- simulation:
 - IKZ: CrysVUn
 - WIAS: WIAS-HiTNIHS

Lorentz force: experiment ↔ simulation

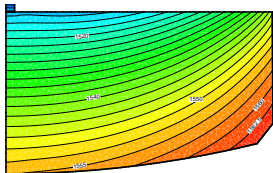
500 Hz, 90 °, 90 A ,23.4 V, Coil 3 disconnected



- \vec{F}_L down: good agreement
- \vec{F}_L up: simulation overestimates force systematically probably due to design of load cell
- gradients are reproduced well

Temperature distribution – compare models, experiment

model 1 (no bus bars)



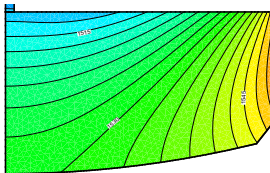
$$P = 5.6 \text{ kW}$$

$$\Delta T_{\text{vert}} = 43 \text{ K},$$

$$\Delta T_{\text{horiz}} = 34 \text{ K},$$

$$T_b = 1556 \text{ K}, T_h = 1636 \text{ K}$$

model 2



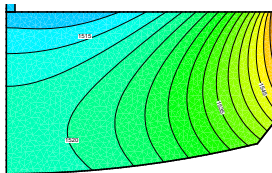
$$P = 8 \text{ kW}$$

$$\Delta T_{\text{vert}} = 18 \text{ K}$$

$$\Delta T_{\text{horiz}} = 38 \text{ K},$$

$$T_b = 1529 \text{ K}, T_h = 1648 \text{ K}$$

model 3



$$P = 10 \text{ kW}$$

$$\Delta T_{\text{vert}} = 7 \text{ K}$$

$$\Delta T_{\text{horiz}} = 40 \text{ K}$$

$$T_b = 1518 \text{ K}, T_h = 1655 \text{ K}$$

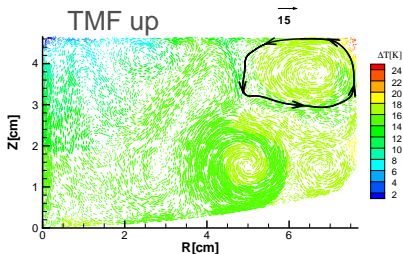
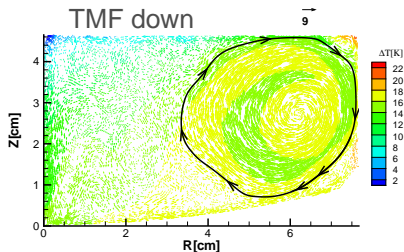
- experimental data: $P = 9 \text{ kW}, T_b = 1496 \text{ K}, T_h = 1608 \text{ K}$
- bus bars transport heat downwards
- models 2,3 give the rough picture, temperature distributions differ

Melt surface

Experiment: VCz without boron oxide, particles on free melt surface

- without TMF, particles cover the surface
- with TMF down: particles move outward
- with TMF up: particles come back in

Numerical simulation



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VCz growth of GaAs under the influence of a TMF

VCz without B_2O_3 , several crystals, e.g.

Spring 2007

TMF 400 Hz, 100° down

$\Omega_X = 5$ rpm, $\Omega_C = -25$ rpm

$v_{pull} = 5$ mm/h

$\varnothing = 48 - 73$ mm



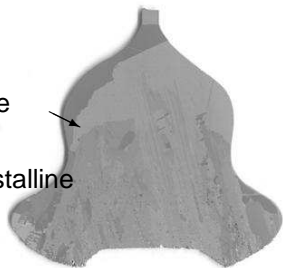
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VCz growth of GaAs, 400 Hz, 60° at $\Omega_C = -5$ rpm

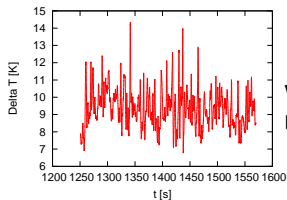
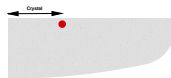
crystal
(400 Hz, 60° down, -5 rpm)

interface
concave

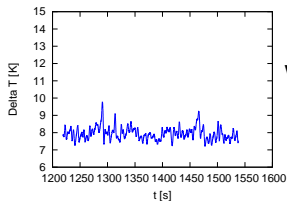
poly-crystalline



temperature oscillations

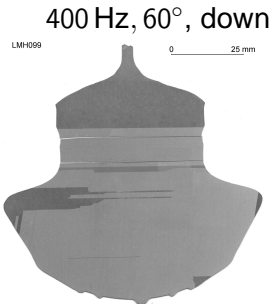


with TMF
magn. field too strong



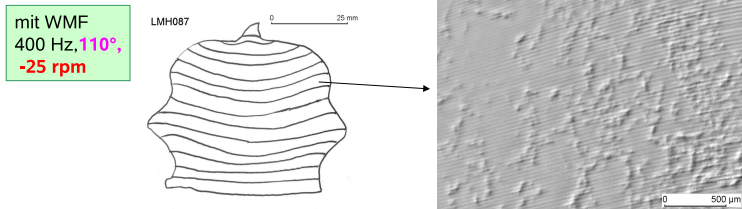
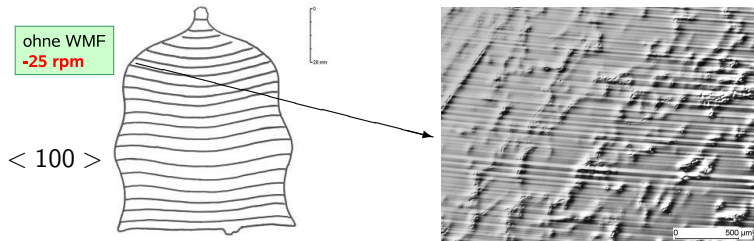
without Lorentz force

VCz growth of GaAs, $\Omega_C = -25$ rpm, TMF, various frequencies, phase shifts



- interface almost planar
- striations homogenous, small amplitude
 \Rightarrow probably smaller fluctuations in the growth velocity v_g (T-oscill.)
distance (in the upper part): $\sim 40 \mu\text{m}$,
 $v_{pull} = 5 \text{ mm/h}$
 \Rightarrow T-oscillations with frequency $\sim 0.035 \text{ Hz}$
simulations for fixed melt height, various TMFs
- change in diameter
 \Rightarrow due to change in flow pattern?
simulations for various melt heights

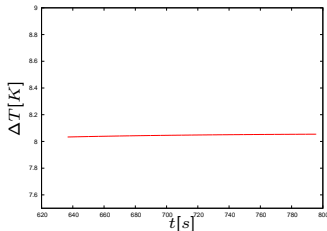
Striation analysis, $\Omega_C = -25 \text{ rpm}$



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Numerical simulation, TMF, 400 Hz, 110° , $\Omega_C = -25$ rpm

heat flux boundary conditions

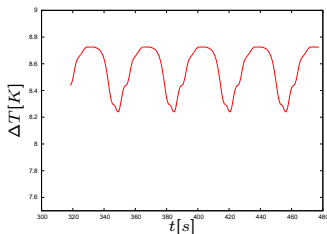


- stationary solution (dominated by Ω_C)
- not due to magnetic field

possible reasons

- axial symmetry \rightarrow 3D
- $(\Delta T)_{axial}$ too small
 - simulation: $(\Delta T)_{axial} \sim 8$ K
 - experiment: $(\Delta T)_{axial} \sim 30$ K

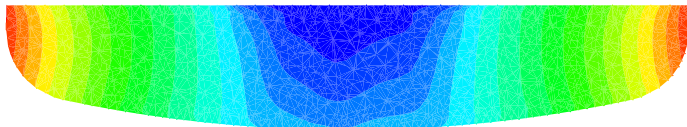
Dirichlet boundary conditions



- $(\Delta T)_{axial} = 20$ K
- still dominated by Ω_C
- small fluctuations in the temperature
- frequency $f \sim 0.0277$ Hz $\rightarrow \sim 50 \mu\text{m}$

3D simulation

- $\Omega_X = 6 \text{ rpm}$, $\Omega_C = -25 \text{ rpm}$
- no magnetic field
- heat flux boundary conditions
- no marangoni convection
- slight deviation from axial symmetry in the inner part
- axially symmetric in the outer part



Numerical simulation of Czochralski crystal growth

- global stationary simulation for electro-magnetic quantities, temperature distribution
- local transient simulation
- good reproduction of electro-magnetic quantities (Lorentz force)
- global simulation of the temperature distribution (at the moment) gives a rough picture
- local axially symmetric simulation of the melt flow and temperature distribution
 - agrees with some of the experimental results
 - is not convincing (as compared to experiments) for small heights of the melt and high rotation rates