

Simulation and Experimental Validation of Induction Heating of MS Tube for Elevated Temperature NDT Application.

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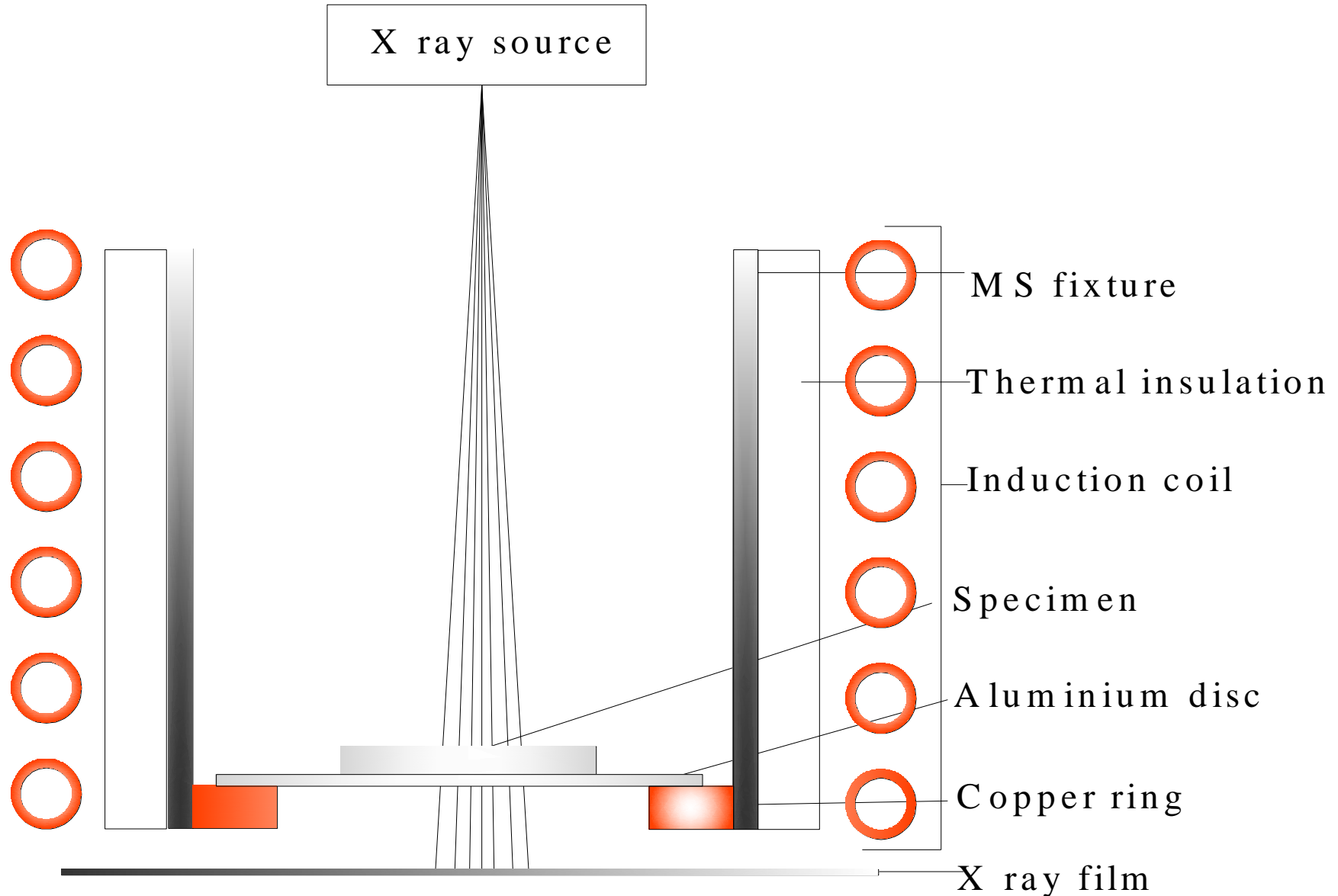
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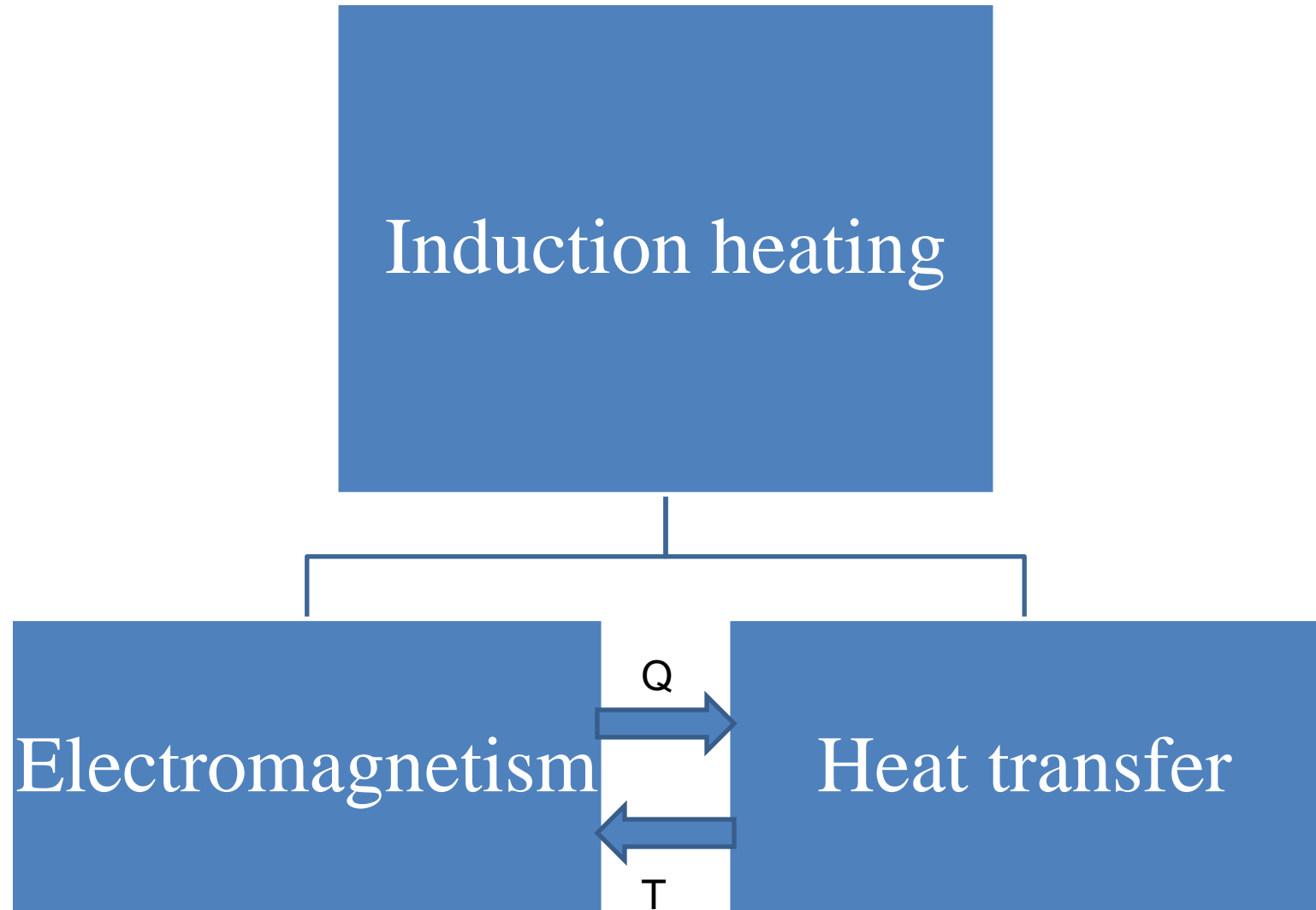
Introduction

- Induction heating(IH) is widely utilize in industries in different applications because of,
 - High efficiency
 - Cleanliness
 - Non contact heating method
- Therefore, IH is choose for this application.

Schematic diagram of induction heating process



Mathematical Modeling



Electromagnetism

- Magnetic vector potential formulation is used.
- It is derived from the maxwell equations.
- It requires less computation compared to magnetic field formulation.

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0\mu_r(T)}\nabla^2 A + J_s - j\omega\sigma(T)A = 0 \quad (1)$$

Electromagnetism

- **Assumptions**

- The system is rotationally symmetric about Z-Axis.
- All the materials are isotropic.
- Displacement current is neglected.
- Electromagnetic field quantities contents only single frequency component.

Electromagnetism

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0 \mu_r(T)} \nabla^2 A - j\omega \sigma(T) A = 0 \quad (2)$$

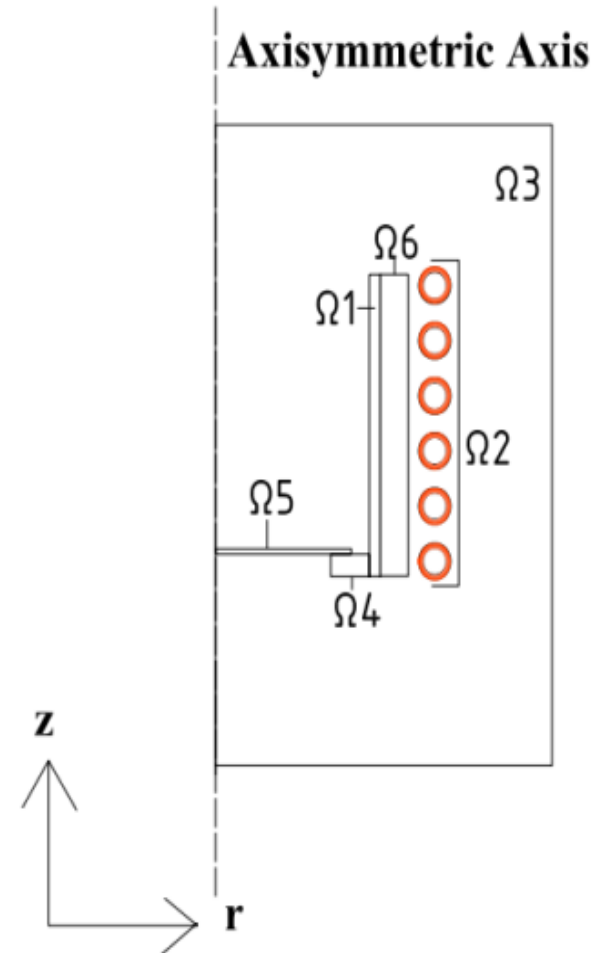
in $\Omega 1, \Omega 4, \Omega 5, \Omega 6$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0 \mu_r(T)} \nabla^2 A + J_s - j\omega \sigma(T) A = 0 \quad (3)$$

in $\Omega 2$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0 \mu_r(T)} \nabla^2 A = 0 \quad (4)$$

in $\Omega 3$



Electromagnetic power

- Electromagnetic power induced in MS tube, copper ring & Al disc.

$$Q = \frac{J_e^2}{\sigma(T)} = \sigma(T)(j\omega A)^2 \quad (5)$$

- Eq (5) is used as source term in heat transfer equation.

Heat Transfer

- Heat transfer represented using fourier equations,

$$K(T).(\nabla^2 T) + Q = \rho c_p (T) \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} \quad (6)$$

- **Boundary conditions,**

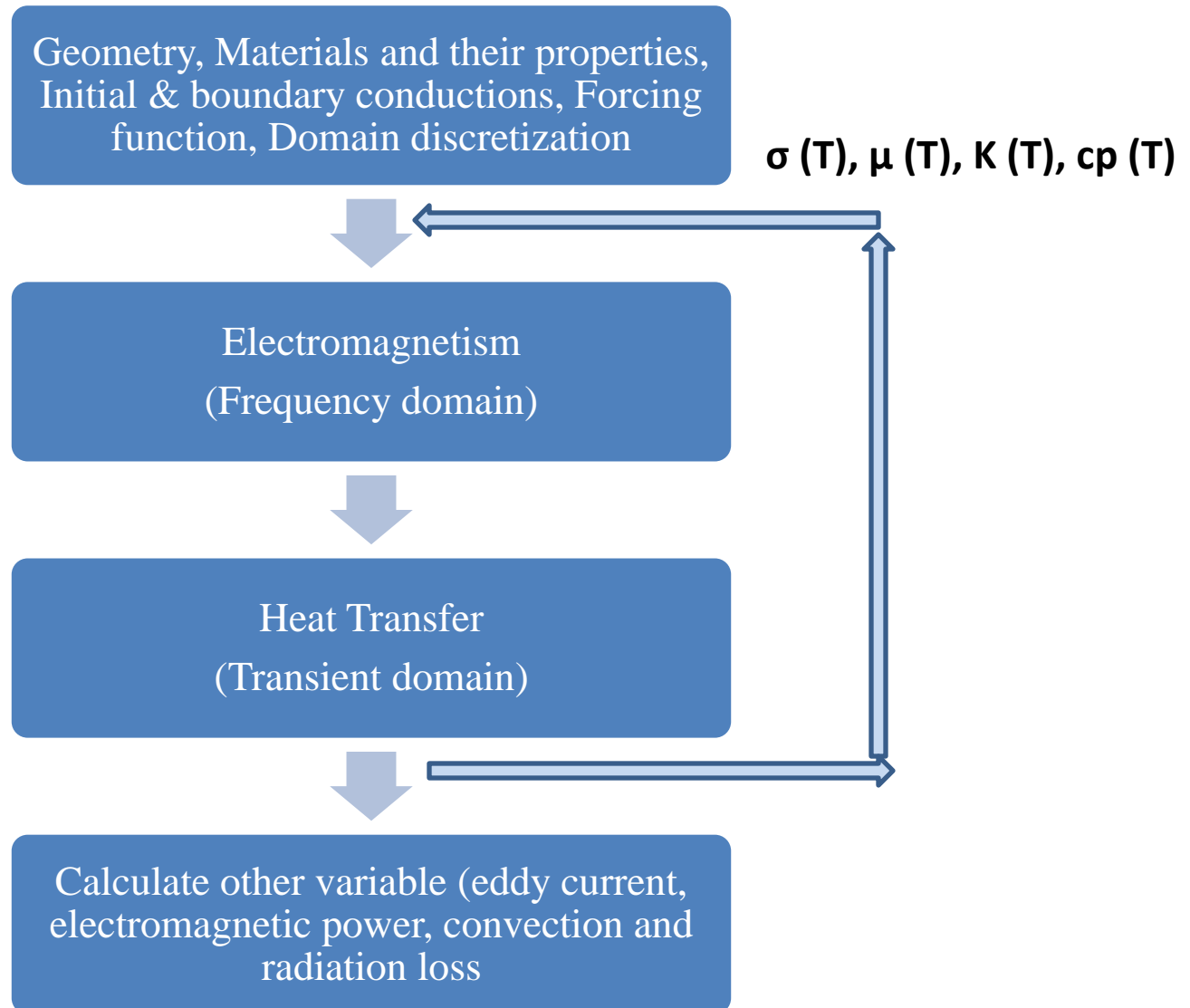
➤ Convection

$$Q_{conv} = h.(T - T_{amb}) \text{ W/m}^2 \quad (7)$$

➤ Radiation

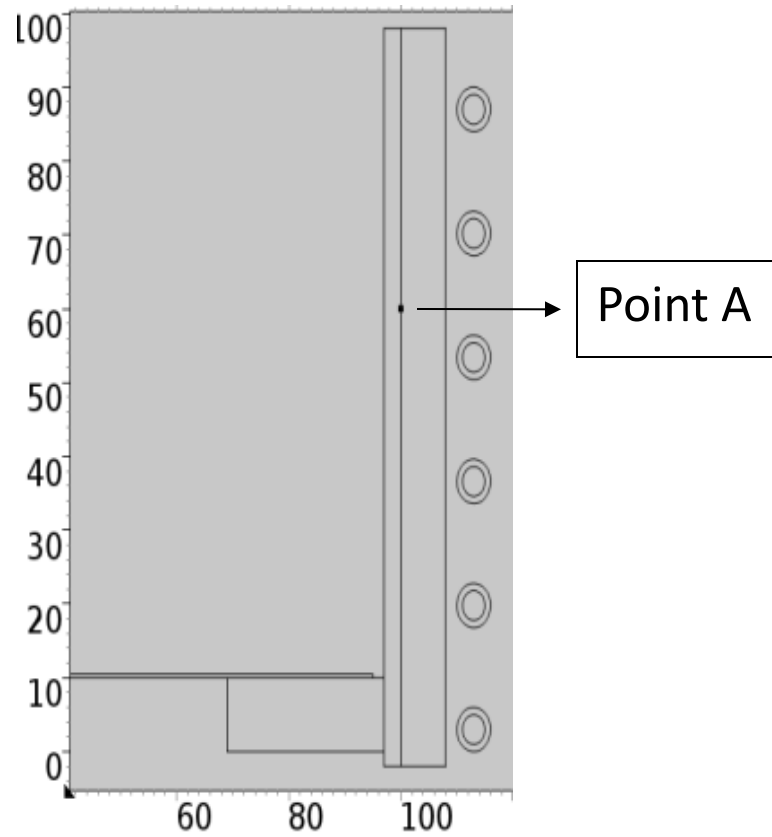
$$Q_{rad} = \epsilon \sigma_b . (T^4 - T_{amb}^4) \text{ W/m}^2 \quad (8)$$

Simulation Procedure



Simulation

- Geometry



Simulation

Table -I

Induction coil	Description
Material	Copper
Inside diameter	220mm
Outside diameter	232mm
Height	90mm
Coil tube diameter	6mm
Coil tube thickness	1mm
No. of turn	6

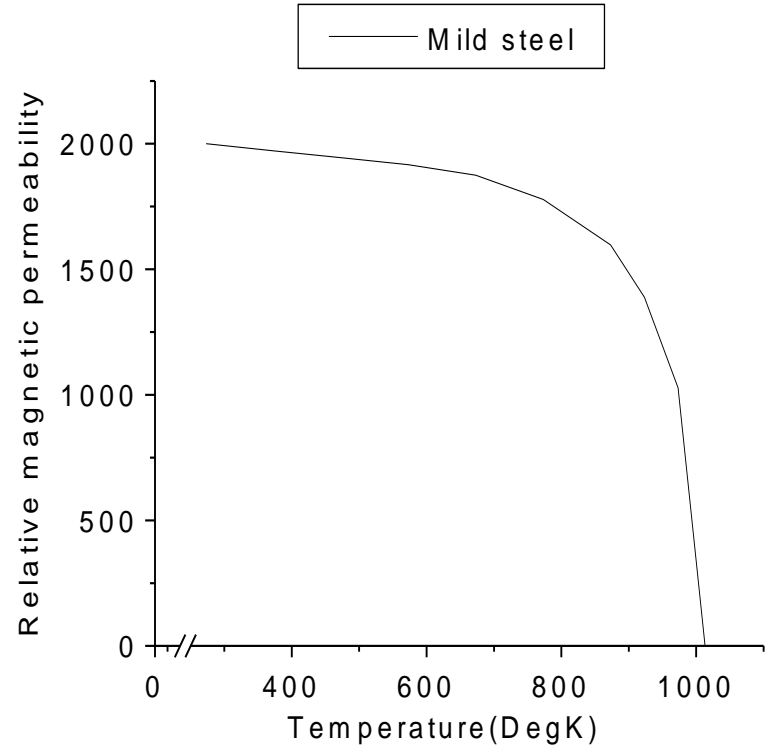
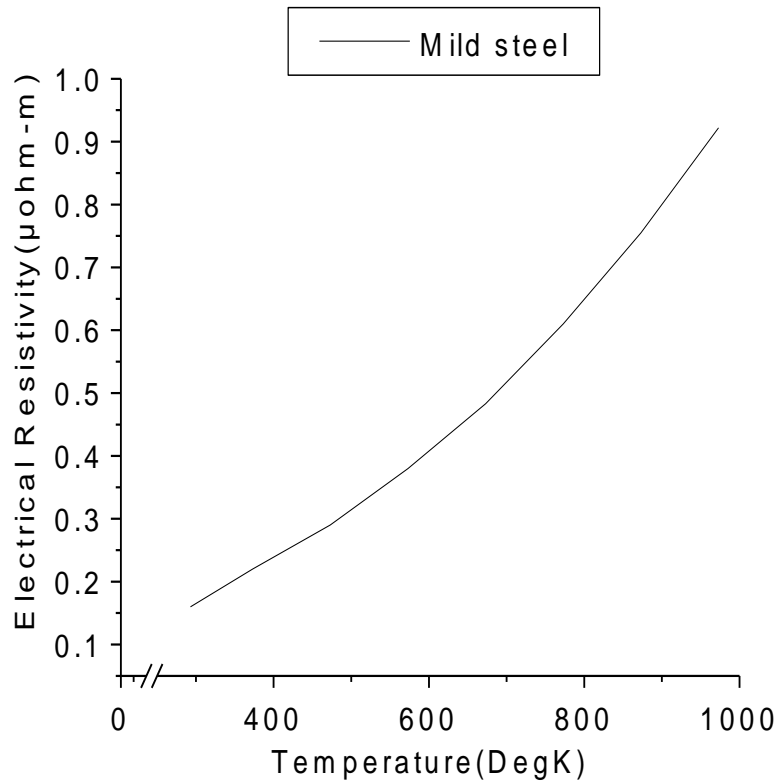
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Workpiece	Description
Material	Mild steel
Outside diameter	200mm
Height	100mm
Thickness	3 mm

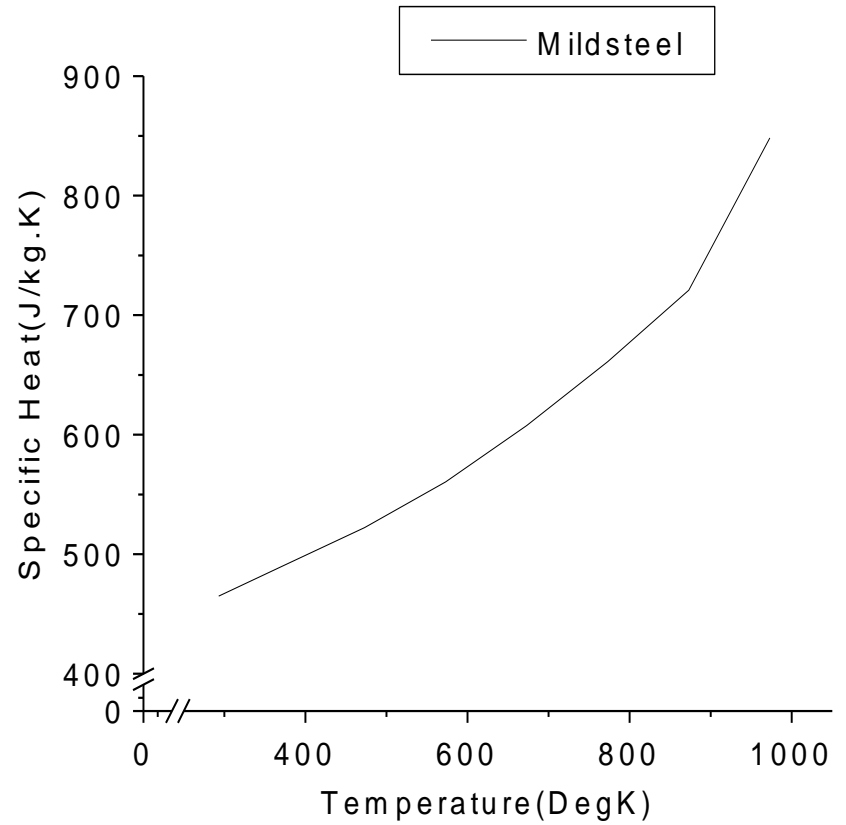
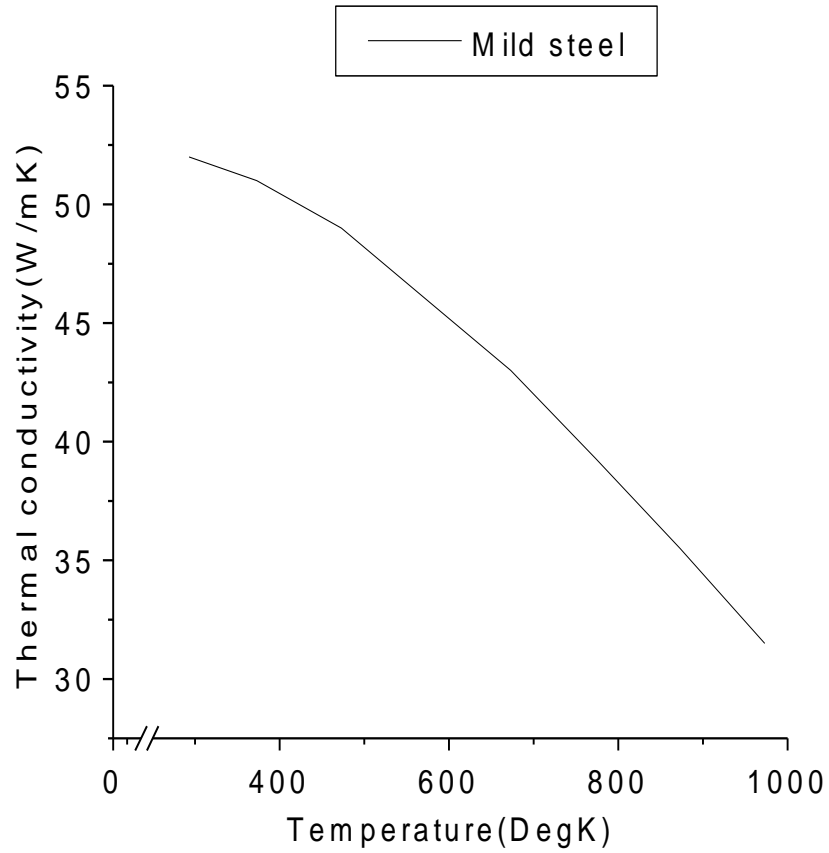
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Material Properties	Copper ring	Al disc
Dimension	194mm(OD) 138mm(ID) 10mm(th)	190(D) 5mm(th)
Electrical Conductivity (S/m)	5.8×10^7	3.703×10^7
Relative electric permittivity	1	1
Relative magnetic permeability	1	1
Density(kg/m ³)	8760	2700
Thermal conductivity (W/(m.K))	395	211
Specific heat(J/(Kg.K))	378.34	933.33

Simulation



Simulation



Simulation

Electromagnetism

Boundary condition	Description
Outer boundary	$A=0$
Asymmetry axis	$\frac{\partial A}{\partial n} = 0$

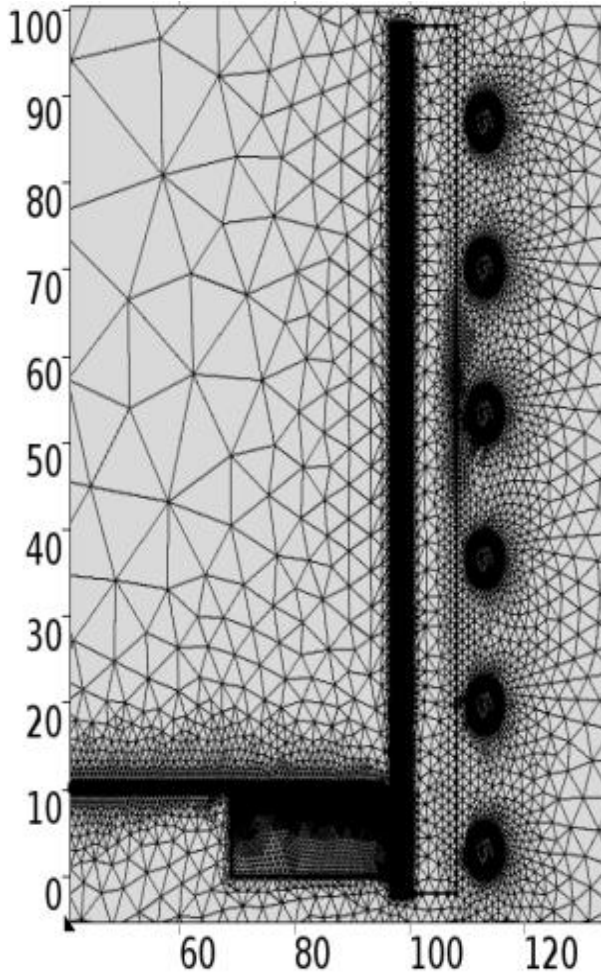
Forcing function	Description
Induction coil current 0 to 270 sec 270 to 1110 Sec (Frequency- 8.2 kHz)	49.93 A 94.31 A

Heat Transfer

Boundary condition	Description
Initial temperature	312 DegK
Convection coefficient(h)	10 (W/m ² K)
Emissivity(MS surface)	0.32
Emissivity(copper and Al)	0.04

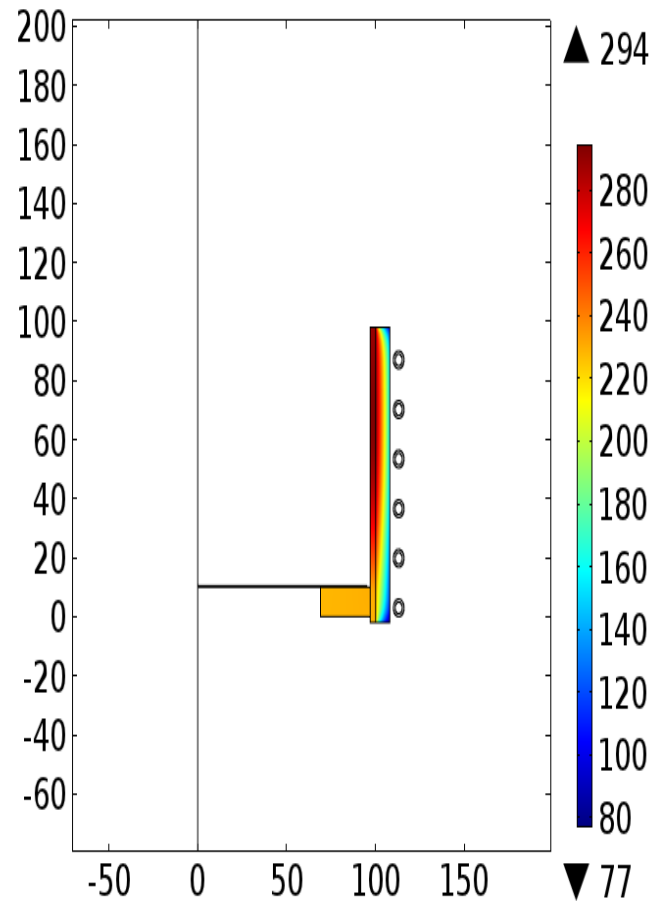
Simulation

- Meshing



Temperature Profile

Time=1110 s Surface: Temperature (degC) 

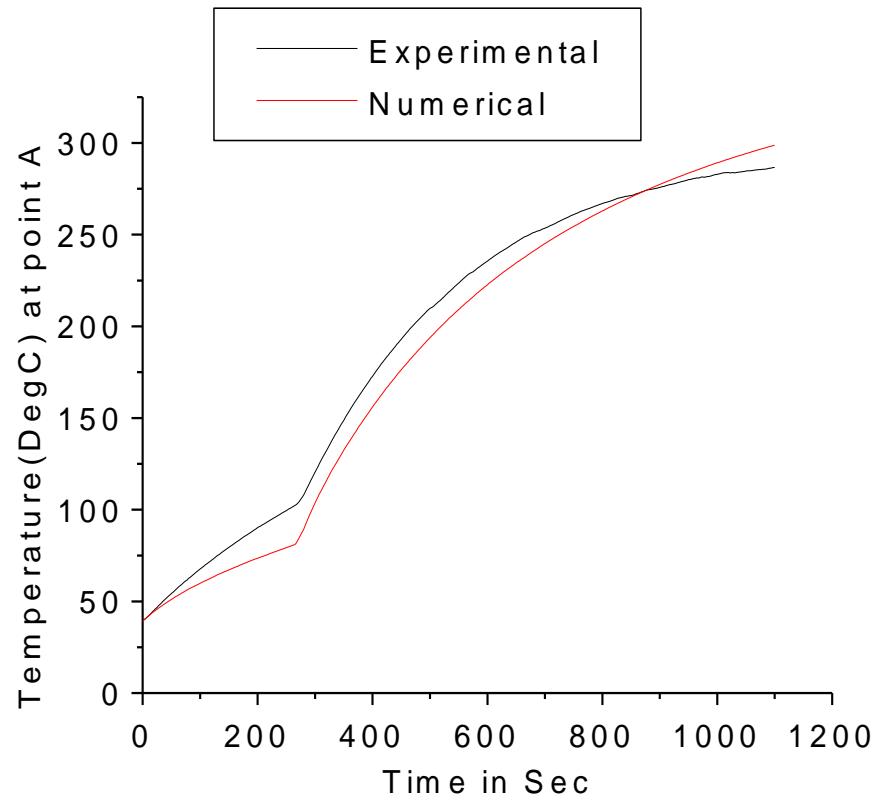


Experimental set up



Power source capacity:-15 kW,9kHz

Experimental and numerical validation



Error minimization in Numerical method

- Discretization elements size should be less than penetration depth.
- External domain size shall be more than 10 times of induction coil.
- Current is used as forcing function to accurately calculate the mmf generated by the induction coil.

Conclusion

- There are good agreement between numerical and experimental results.
- Use of temperature dependent material properties makes numerical result close to experiment results.
- This study can be applied for design and optimization of induction coil for induction heating process.

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