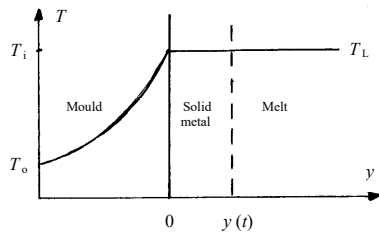


## Casting Processing, MH2252, 6hp



### Lecture 4a+b Heat Transport during Casting and Solidification Sand mould casting – Good contact

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## Today's topics

- Repetition
  - Casting Hydrodynamics
- Heat Transport during Casting
  - Basic Concepts
  - Modes of Solidification
- Theory of Heat Transport in Casting
  - Ideal Contact Model
  - Sand Mould Casting

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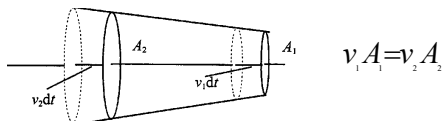
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## Basic Hydrodynamics

- Continuity Principle
  - Incompressible Liquid



- No fluid appears or disappears during the flow
- The fluid flow volume is constant by time

Used whenever you have a change of area!

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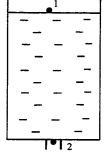
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## Basic Hydrodynamics

- Bernoulli's Equation
  - Laminar flow

$$p_1 + \rho gh_1 + \frac{\rho v_1^2}{2} = p_2 + \rho gh_2 + \frac{\rho v_2^2}{2}$$

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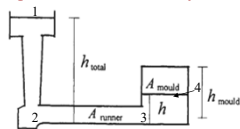


- Torricelli's law:  $v = \sqrt{2gh}$   
( $A_1 \gg A_2 \rightarrow v_1 \ll v_2 \rightarrow v_1 \approx 0$  (Continuity Principle))
- The first part: Pressure work
- The second part: Potential energy
- The third part: Kinetic energy

Used whenever you have a difference in height (change of potential energy)

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## Hydrodynamics at Uphill Casting



$$v_2 = \sqrt{2g(h_{tot} - h)}$$

$$A_m dh = A_i \sqrt{2g(h_{tot} - h)} \cdot dt$$

$$\frac{A_m}{A_i} \int_0^{t_f} dt = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2g}} \int_0^h \frac{dh}{\sqrt{h_{tot} - h}}$$

$$t_f = \frac{2A_m}{A_i \sqrt{2g}} \cdot (\sqrt{h_{tot}} - \sqrt{h_{tot} - h_m})$$

Melt velocity at point 2, from Bernoulli's eq. The same area and velocity in point 2 and 3 by Continuity Principle,  $v_2 = v_3$

Height (volume) change,  $dh$ , by the time  $dt$ , at point 4 ( $v_4$ ), by combining with the Continuity principle at point 3

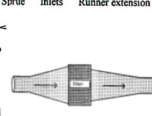
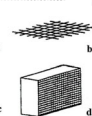
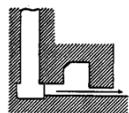
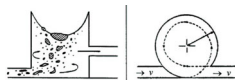
Integrate, to get the filling time,  $t_f$

The filling time,  $t_f$  by mould area ( $A_m$ ), inlet area ( $A_i$ ), sprue height ( $h_{tot}$ ) and mould height ( $h_{mould}$ )

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## Inclusion Control

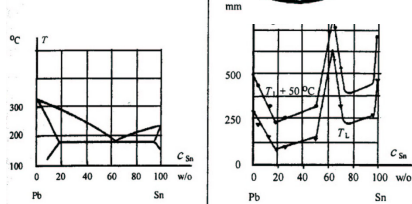
- Swirl Trap
- Mechanical impurity trap and Runner Extension
- Ceramic Filters



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## Maximum Fluidity Length

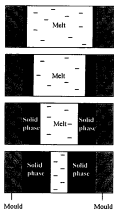
- Spiral for check of the maximum fluidity length



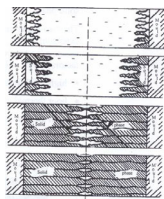
Maximum fluidity length is found for pure metals and eutectic compositions in the system Pb-Sn

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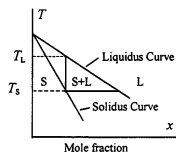
## Note: Modes of Solidification will affect the maximum fluidity length!



- Pure metal or eutectic alloy
- Alloy with small  $\Delta T$  and strong cooling



- Alloy with large  $\Delta T$
- Weak cooling



Solidification interval  
 $\Delta T = T_L - T_S$

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## Heat Transport

- Thermal Conduction
- Thermal Radiation
- Convection

Casting of metals is closely related to;  
a) heat release ( $-\Delta H$ ) at solidification and  
b) heat transport and cooling.

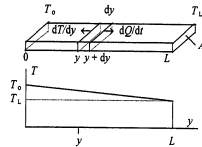
The rate of heat removal is very important as it among others decides the solidification time and the structure formation of the casting

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## Thermal Conduction

- Fourier's 1st Law (one dimension)

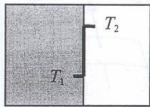
$$\frac{\partial Q}{dt} = -kA \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}$$



The temperature is a function of position but not of time (stationary conditions).  
 $k$  = thermal conductivity

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## Conduction across an Interface



$$\frac{\partial Q}{dt} = -hA(T_2 - T_1)$$

$$h = \frac{k}{\delta}$$

$\frac{\partial Q}{dt}$  = heat flow across interface

$h$  = heat transfer coefficient

$A$  = surface area

$T$  = temperature

$\delta$  = width of interface

$k$  = thermal conductivity

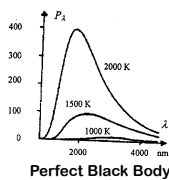
$h$  = heat transfer coefficient

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## Radiation

$$\frac{\partial Q}{dt} = -\epsilon \sigma A (T_1^4 - T_2^4)$$

$\epsilon$  = emissivity  
 $\sigma$  = Stefan Boltzmann's constant



Material	$T$ °C	$\epsilon$
Al-film	100	0.09
Oxidized Al	150 - 500	0.20 - 0.30
Polished steel	100	0.066
Cast iron	22	0.44
Cast iron	880 - 990	0.60 - 0.70
Low carbon steel	230 - 1065	0.20 - 0.32
High carbon steel	100	0.074

All bodies emit electromagnetic radiation or *heat radiation* to their surroundings

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## Convection

- Natural convection (free convection)
- Forced convection

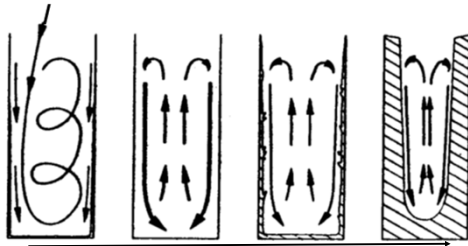
$$\frac{\partial Q}{dt} = -h_{\text{conv}} A (T - T_0)$$

Table 3. Heat transfer numbers of convection in some specified cases.

Specifications	$h_{\text{conv}}$ W/m <sup>2</sup> K
<b>Free Convection</b>	
Horizontal cylinder with radius 2.5 cm in air.	6.5
Horizontal cylinder with radius 1.0 cm in water.	890
<b>Forced Convection</b>	
Air beam with the velocity 2 m/s over a square plate (0.2 m) <sup>2</sup> .	12
Flowing water with the "velocity" 0.5 kg/s in a tube with with a diameter of 2.5 cm.	3 500

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## Convection

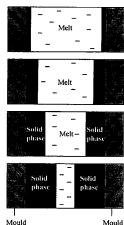


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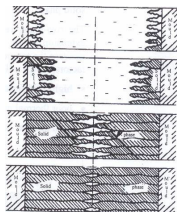
- Natural convection (free convection). Normally driven by differences in liquid density

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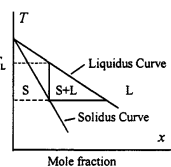
## Modes of Solidification – influence of cooling and composition



- Pure metal or eutectic alloys. Alloys with small  $\Delta T$  and strong cooling



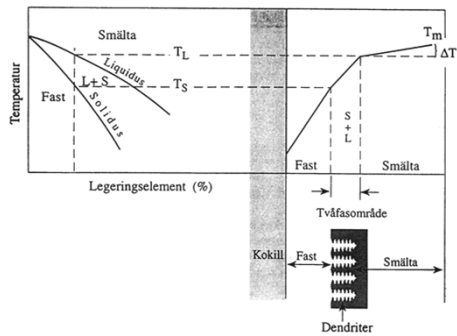
- Alloys with large  $\Delta T$  and weak cooling



Solidification interval  
 $\Delta T = T_L - T_S$

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## Modes of Solidification – dendritic growth



- Relation between composition (solidification interval), cooling rate and dendritic structure

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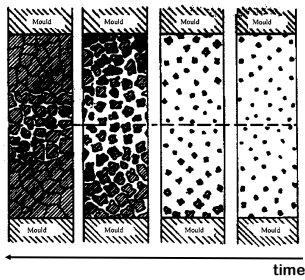
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## Modes of Solidification – nodular growth



Alloys with broad solidification interval and/or solidification in a sand mould (weak cooling).  
The local solidification occurs within a constant liquid/solid sphere and not by a planar solidification front

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## Heat Transfer: Special Cases Useful in Casting

- Ideal Contact Metal-Mould
  - Liquid Metal – Mould
- Good Contact Metal-Mould
  - Sand Mould Casting
- Poor Contact Metal-Mould
  - Permanent Moulds
  - Continuous Casting

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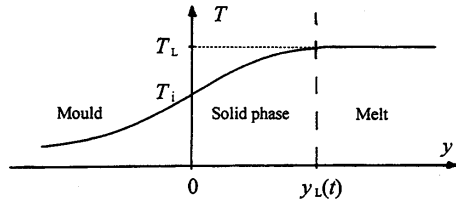
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## Ideal Contact Metal-Mould

Temperature distribution



See chapter 4.3.2 Theory of Heat Transport at Casting with Ideal Contact between Metal and Mould

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## Ideal Contact Metal-Mould – Model 0

$$T_{\text{mould}} = A_{\text{mould}} + B_{\text{mould}} \cdot \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{4\alpha_{\text{mould}}t}}\right)$$

$$T_{\text{metal}} = A_{\text{metal}} + B_{\text{metal}} \cdot \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{4\alpha_{\text{metal}}t}}\right)$$

$$A_{\text{mould}} = A_{\text{metal}} = T_o + \frac{T_L - T_o}{\frac{k_{\text{metal}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{mould}}} + \operatorname{erf} \lambda}{k_{\text{mould}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}}}$$

$$B_{\text{mould}} = \frac{T_L - T_o}{\frac{k_{\text{metal}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{mould}}} + \operatorname{erf} \lambda}{k_{\text{mould}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}}}$$

$$B_{\text{metal}} = \frac{T_L - T_o}{\frac{k_{\text{metal}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{mould}}} + \operatorname{erf} \lambda}{k_{\text{mould}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}}}$$

1. Boundary Condition for the Mould

$$T(t, -\infty) = T_o$$

2. Boundary Condition for the Interface Mould/Metal

$$T(t, 0) = T_i$$

3. Boundary Condition for the Interface Mould/Metal

$$k_{\text{mould}} \frac{\partial T_{\text{mould}}}{\partial y} = k_{\text{metal}} \frac{\partial T_{\text{metal}}}{\partial y}$$

4. Boundary Condition for the Solidification Front

$$T(t, y_L(t)) = T_L$$

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = (-\Delta H) \cdot \rho \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{dy_L(t)}{dt}$$

5. Boundary Condition for the Metal

$$k_{\text{metal}} \left( \frac{\partial T_{\text{metal}}}{\partial y} \right)_{y=y_L(t)} = (-\Delta H) \cdot \rho \cdot \frac{dy_L(t)}{dt}$$

The growth rate or solidification rate by the ideal model

$$\frac{dy_L(t)}{dt} = \lambda \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}{t}}$$

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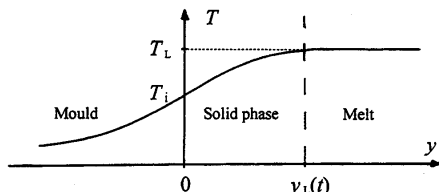
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## Ideal Contact Metal-Mould – Model 0

Find  $\lambda$  by iteration (guess a value), that satisfies the below equation, insert in  $y_L(t)$  to describe the position of the solidification front as a function of time



$$\frac{c_p^{\text{metal}}(T_L - T_o)}{-\Delta H} = \sqrt{\pi} \cdot \lambda \cdot e^{\lambda^2} \cdot \left( \sqrt{\frac{k_{\text{metal}} \rho_{\text{metal}} c_p^{\text{metal}}}{k_{\text{mould}} \rho_{\text{mould}} c_p^{\text{mould}}}} + \operatorname{erf} \lambda \right)$$

$$y_L(t) = \lambda \cdot \sqrt{4\alpha_{\text{metal}}t}$$

$$\alpha_{\text{metal}} = \frac{k_{\text{metal}}}{\rho_{\text{metal}} c_p^{\text{metal}}}$$

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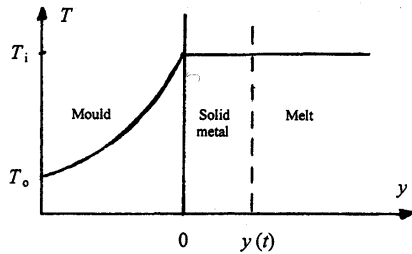
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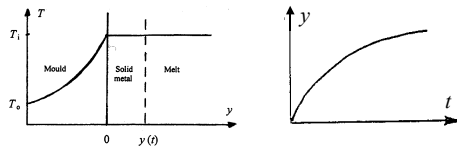
## Sand Mould Casting



See chapter 4.4.1 Temperature Distribution at Sand Mould Casting

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## Sand Mould Casting



1. The conductivity of the metal is very large compared to that of the sand mould ( $k_{\text{mould}} \ll k_{\text{metal}}$ ).
2. During the casting the temperature of the mould wall immediately becomes equal to the temperature  $T_i$  of the melt and keeps this temperature throughout the whole solidification process.
3. At large distances from the interface the temperature of the mould is equal to the room temperature  $T_o$ .

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## Sand Mould Casting – Model 1

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$$T_{\text{metal}} = A_{\text{metal}} + B_{\text{metal}} \cdot \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{4\alpha_{\text{metal}}t}}\right)$$

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$$B_{\text{metal}} = \frac{T_i - T_o}{\frac{k_{\text{metal}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{mould}}} + \operatorname{erf} \lambda}{k_{\text{mould}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}}}$$

$$B_{\text{mould}} = \frac{T_i - T_o}{\frac{k_{\text{metal}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{mould}}} + \operatorname{erf} \lambda}{k_{\text{mould}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}}}$$

1. At the interface ( $y=0$ ) between the sand mould and metal we get ( $B_{\text{metal}} = B_{\text{mould}} = 0$ ):

$$T_i = A_{\text{mould}} = A_{\text{metal}}$$

Insert in equation to get the  $T_i$ :

$$A_{\text{mould}} = A_{\text{metal}} = T_i = T_o + \frac{T_i - T_o}{1 + \frac{k_{\text{metal}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{mould}}}}{k_{\text{mould}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}}}$$

2. Sand has poor thermal conductivity compared to metals, which means that  $k_{\text{metal}} \gg k_{\text{mould}}$

$$\frac{k_{\text{metal}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{mould}}}}{k_{\text{mould}}\sqrt{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}} = \frac{k_{\text{metal}}}{k_{\text{mould}}} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_{\text{mould}}}{\alpha_{\text{metal}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{k_{\text{metal}}\rho_{\text{mould}}c_{\text{p,mould}}}{k_{\text{mould}}\rho_{\text{metal}}c_{\text{p,metal}}}} \gg 1$$

3. The value of  $\operatorname{erf} \lambda$  in equation lies between 0 and 1. The second term in the denominator in the equation will thus be very small and the denominator  $\approx 1$

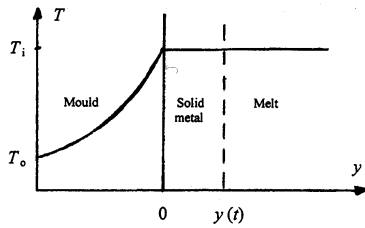
$$T_i = T_{\text{i metal}} = T_{\text{i mould}} \approx T_i$$

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## Sand Mould Casting – Model 1

General Assumption:  $T_i = T_{i,metal} = T_{i,mould} = T_L$



$$y_L(t) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{T_i - T_o}{\rho_{metal}(-\Delta H)} \cdot \sqrt{k_{mould} \rho_{mould} c_p^{mould}} \cdot \sqrt{t}$$

$$y_L(t) = \int_0^t \frac{T_i - T_o}{\rho_{metal}(-\Delta H)} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{k_{mould} \rho_{mould} c_p^{mould}}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t}}$$

The growth rate  $dy_L/dt$  or solidification rate by the Sand Mould Model

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## Sand Mould Casting - Chvorinov's first assumption

$$y_L = \left( \frac{V_{metal}}{A} \right) \quad \text{Sphere: } y_L = r/3$$

$$\text{Cube: } y_L = a/6$$

$$\frac{V_{metal}}{A} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{T_i - T_o}{\rho_{metal}(-\Delta H)} \cdot \sqrt{k_{mould} \rho_{mould} c_p^{mould}} \cdot \sqrt{t_{total}}$$

- $y_L$  = The solidification distance
- $V_{metal}$  = Total volume of the casting (mould cavity)
- $A$  = Total area of the interface between the mould and the metal (cooling interface)
- $t_{total}$  = The solidification time of the casting

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## Sand Mould Casting - Chvorinov's Rule

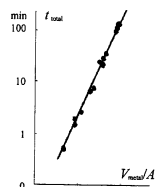
- Chvorinov's Rule
  - Every unit area of the mould absorb equal amount of heat
  - Experimentally verified

$$t_{total} = C \left( \frac{V_{metal}}{A} \right)^2$$

$V$ =mould volume,  $A$ =cooling mould area. Note the power of 2!

$$C = \left( \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \cdot \frac{\rho_{metal}(-\Delta H)}{T_L - T_o} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_{mould} \rho_{mould} c_p^{mould}}} \right)^2$$

Only material properties of the melt and the mould!

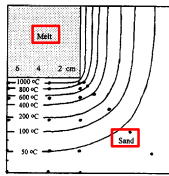


Note: Linear relation due to logarithmic diagram

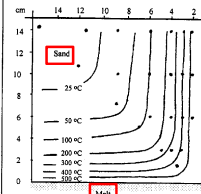
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## Sand Mould Casting – deviations from Chvorinov's Rule

Heat Conduction at Sharp Corners. The larger the distances between the isotherms, the smaller is the temperature gradient and the heat conduction in the sand



- Isotherms in the sand mould outside an outer corner of a casting
- More energy transport by the diagonal than the sides



- Isotherms in the sand mould inside an inner corner of a casting (melt=mould cavity)
- Less energy transport by the diagonal than the sides

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## Recommended reading in "Materials Processing during Casting", by Hasse Fredriksson and Ulla Åkerlind

Chapter:

- ☐ 4.1 – 4.4
- ☐ 5.1 – 5.7

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