



# Heat Confinement

Module 4

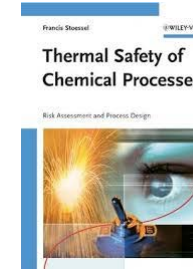
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- Introduction
- Mechanism of heat transfer
  - Stirred systems: forced convection
  - Solid systems, viscous liquids: conduction
  - Low viscosity liquids: natural convection
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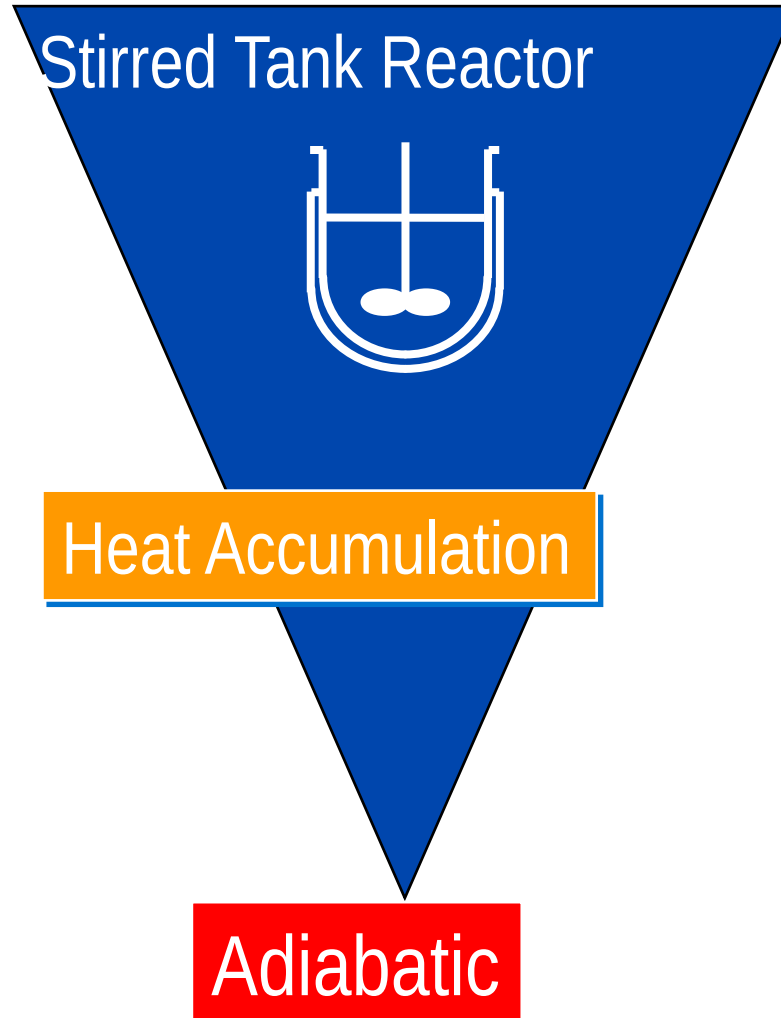


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# How realistic are adiabatic conditions?

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# Heat accumulation

## Heat accumulation situations: effect of mass

- Decomposition of a reaction mass.  $\Delta T_{ad}$  200°C,  $c_p$ : 1.7 kJ/kg.K,  $E_a$ : 100 kJ/mol
- Reaction mass is in different containers (different sizes)

| Heat release rate (W/kg) | Temperature at beginning of storage (°C) | Adiabatic | Mass   |       |         |                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------|--------|-------|---------|--------------------|
|                          |                                          |           | 0.5 kg | 50 kg | 5000 kg |                    |
| 10                       | 129                                      |           |        |       |         | $\Delta T$ [°C]    |
|                          |                                          |           |        |       |         | Released after [h] |
| 1                        | 100                                      |           |        |       |         | $\Delta T$ [°C]    |
|                          |                                          |           |        |       |         | Released after [h] |
| 0.1                      | 75                                       |           |        |       |         | $\Delta T$ [°C]    |
|                          |                                          |           |        |       |         | Released after [h] |
| 0.01                     | 53                                       |           |        |       |         | $\Delta T$ [°C]    |
|                          |                                          |           |        |       |         | Released after [h] |

# Heat removal

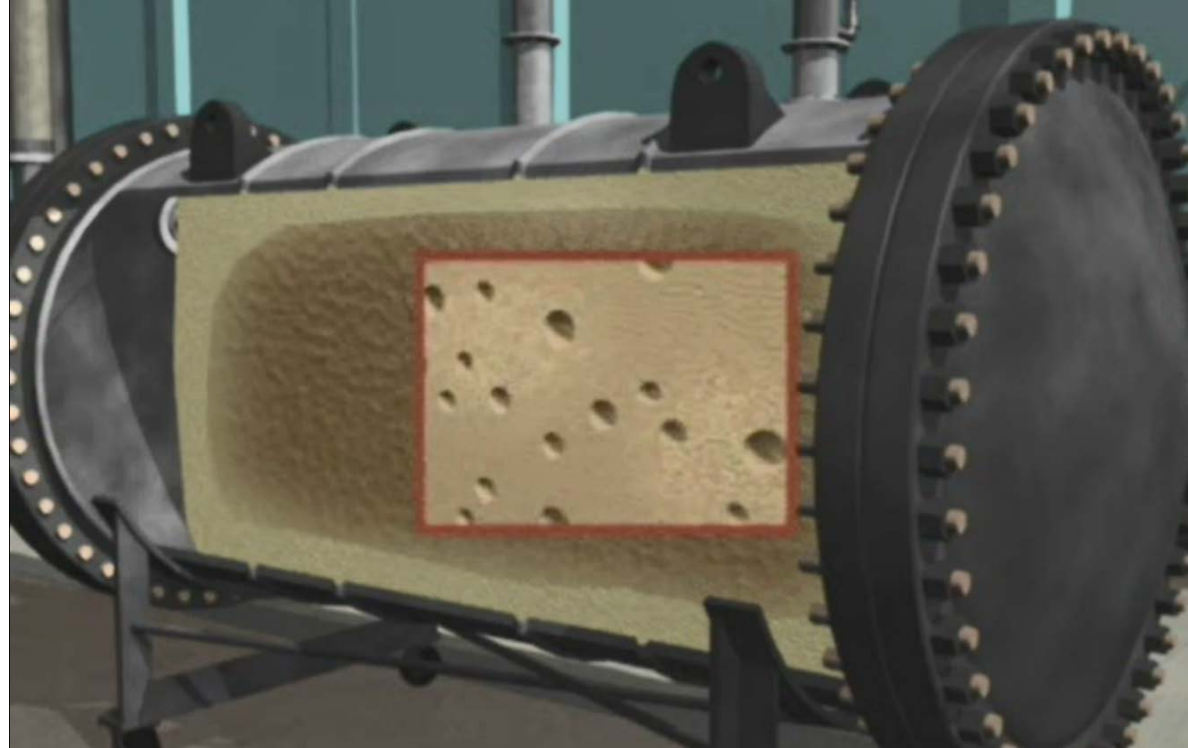
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- Agitated vessel: Main resistance to heat transfer is located at the wall
- Unstirred non-insulated storage tank containing liquid: main resistance to heat transfer is located outside of the wall (natural convection in the liquid)
- Storage silo containing a solid: main resistance to heat transfer in the solid (conduction)

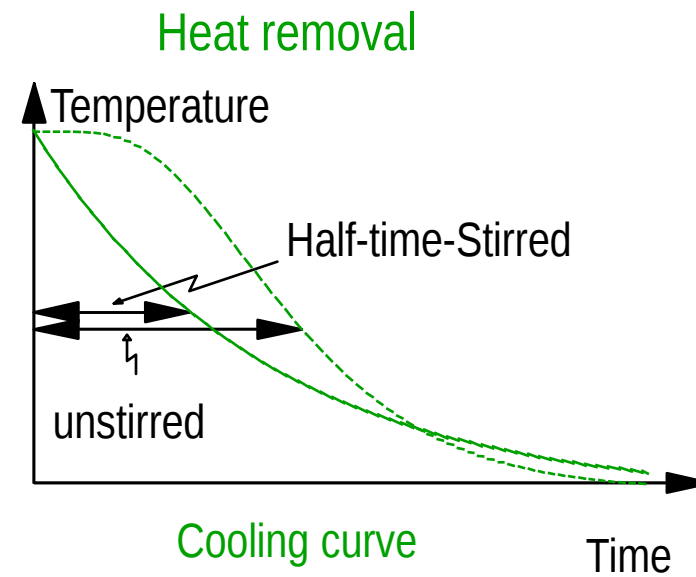
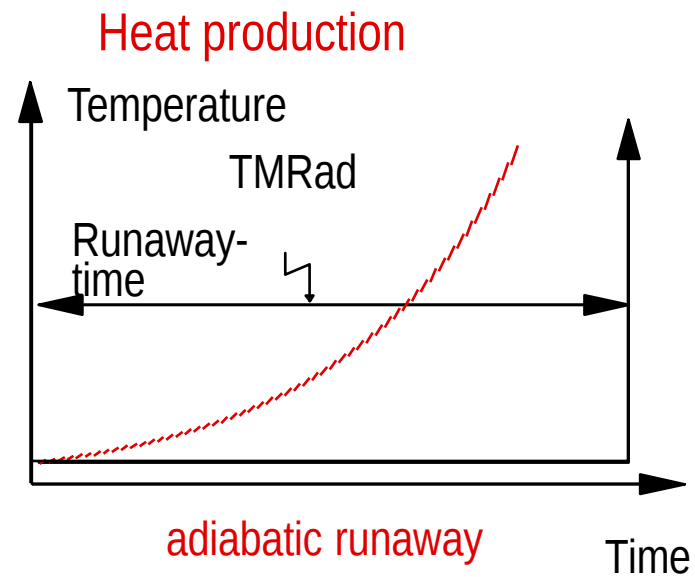
# Heat Accumulation in Industrial Context

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- Hot discharge
- Heating chambers
- Storage
- Transport
- Inadvertent shut down
- Heated pipes



# Heat balance using time scales



Thermal Explosion if: Heat production

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Heat removal

Adiabatic  
Runaway-time

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Cooling time

# Heat Accumulation

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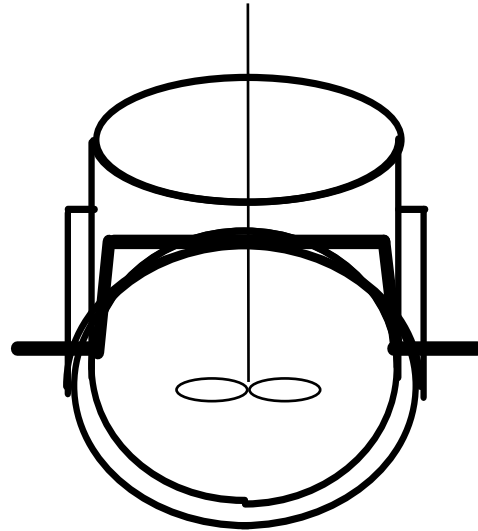
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# Agitated System

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- Semenov
- Newtonian cooling

$$q_{ex} = U \cdot A \cdot (T - T_C)$$

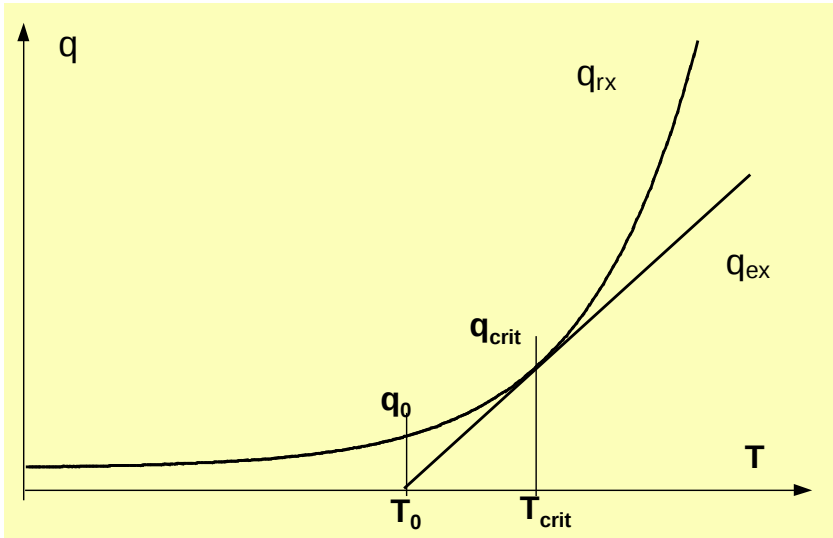


$U$  : Overall heat transfer coefficient  $[W \ m^{-2} \ K^{-1}]$

$A$  : Heat exchange area  $[m^2]$

$T$  : Temperature reacting medium  $[^{\circ}C, K]$

$T_C$  : Temperature cooling medium  $[^{\circ}C, K]$



$$q_{rx} = q_{ex} = Q_{rx} \cdot \rho \cdot V \cdot k_0 \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-E}{RT_{crit}}\right] = U \cdot A \cdot (T_{crit} - T_0)$$

$$\frac{dq_{rx}}{dT} = Q_{rx} \cdot \rho \cdot V \cdot k_0 \cdot \frac{E}{RT_{crit}^2} \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-E}{RT_{crit}}\right] = \frac{dq_{ex}}{dT} = U \cdot A$$

# Heat Balance

Solves both equation if  $\Delta T_{crit} = T_{crit} - T_0 = \frac{RT_{crit}^2}{E} \approx \frac{RT_0^2}{E}$

$$Q_{rx} \cdot \rho \cdot V \cdot k_0 \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-E}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T_{crit}} - \frac{1}{T_0}\right)\right] = U \cdot A \cdot \Delta T_{crit} \quad \text{since} \quad q_{crit} = q_0 \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-E}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T_{crit}} - \frac{1}{T_0}\right)\right]$$

$$\frac{-E}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T_{crit}} - \frac{1}{T_0}\right) \approx \frac{-E}{RT_{crit}^2}(T_{crit} - T_0) = 1 \quad \text{since} \quad \Delta T_{crit} = \frac{RT_0^2}{E}$$

$$k_0 \cdot e \cdot \Delta T_{ad} = \frac{U \cdot A}{\rho \cdot V \cdot c'_p} \cdot \frac{RT_0^2}{E}$$

$$\frac{1}{k_0 \cdot \Delta T_{ad}} \cdot \frac{RT_0^2}{E} = TMR_{ad}$$

$$t_{1/2} = \ln(2) \cdot \tau$$

$$\tau = \frac{\rho \cdot V \cdot c'_p}{U \cdot A}$$

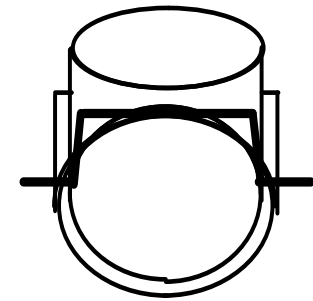
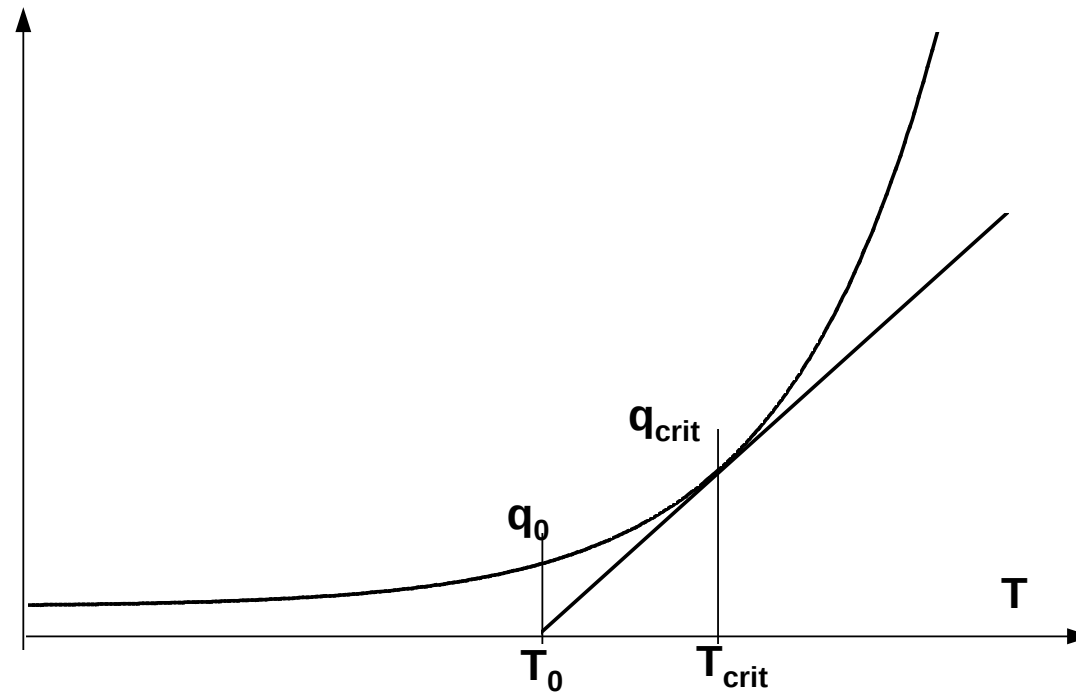
$$TMR_{ad} = \frac{e}{\ln(2)} \cdot t_{1/2} = 3.92 \cdot t_{1/2}$$

- Semenov

$$TMR_{ad} > 3.92 \cdot t_{1/2}$$

$$\tau = \frac{\rho \cdot V \cdot c'_p}{U \cdot A}$$

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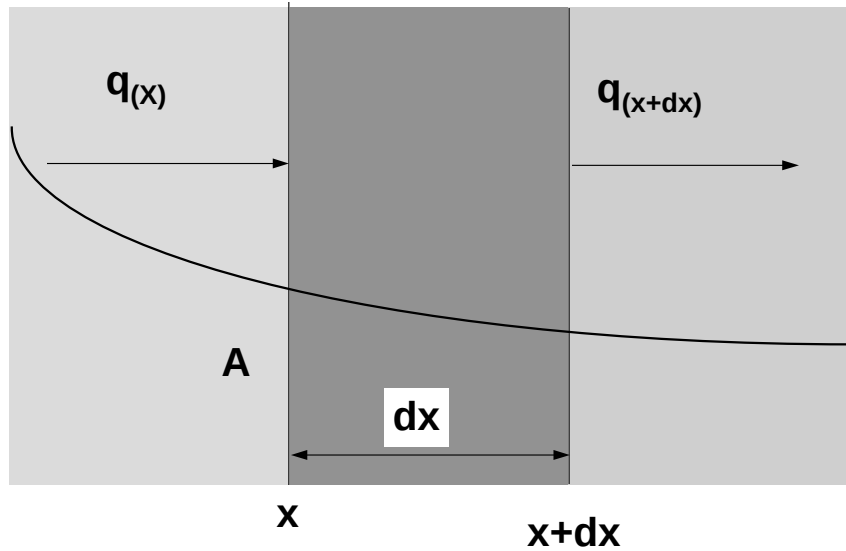


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# Heat Conduction in a Solid



$$\vec{q} = -\lambda \vec{\nabla} T$$

Thermal conductivity:  $\lambda$  [W/(K·m)]

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\rho \cdot c'_p}{\lambda} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{a} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

Thermal diffusivity:  $a$  [m<sup>2</sup>/s]

$$a = \frac{\lambda}{\rho \cdot c'_p} = \frac{\text{heat conducted}}{\text{heat stored}}$$

# Systems with Temperature Profile

Frank-Kamenetskii

$$T_0 = T_{\text{ambient}}$$

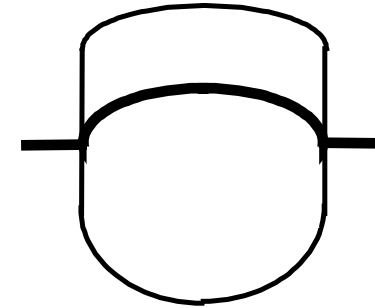
$$x = r_0 \Rightarrow T = T_0 \quad \text{Conditions at the wall}$$

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{Conditions at the center}$$

$$\theta = \frac{E \cdot (T - T_0)}{RT_0^2} \quad z = \frac{x}{r_0} \quad \text{Change of variables}$$

$$\nabla_z^2 \theta = -\delta \cdot \exp(\theta) \quad \text{Conduction equation}$$

$$\delta = \frac{\rho_0 \cdot q'_0}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{E}{RT_0^2} \cdot r_0^2 \quad \text{Solution}$$

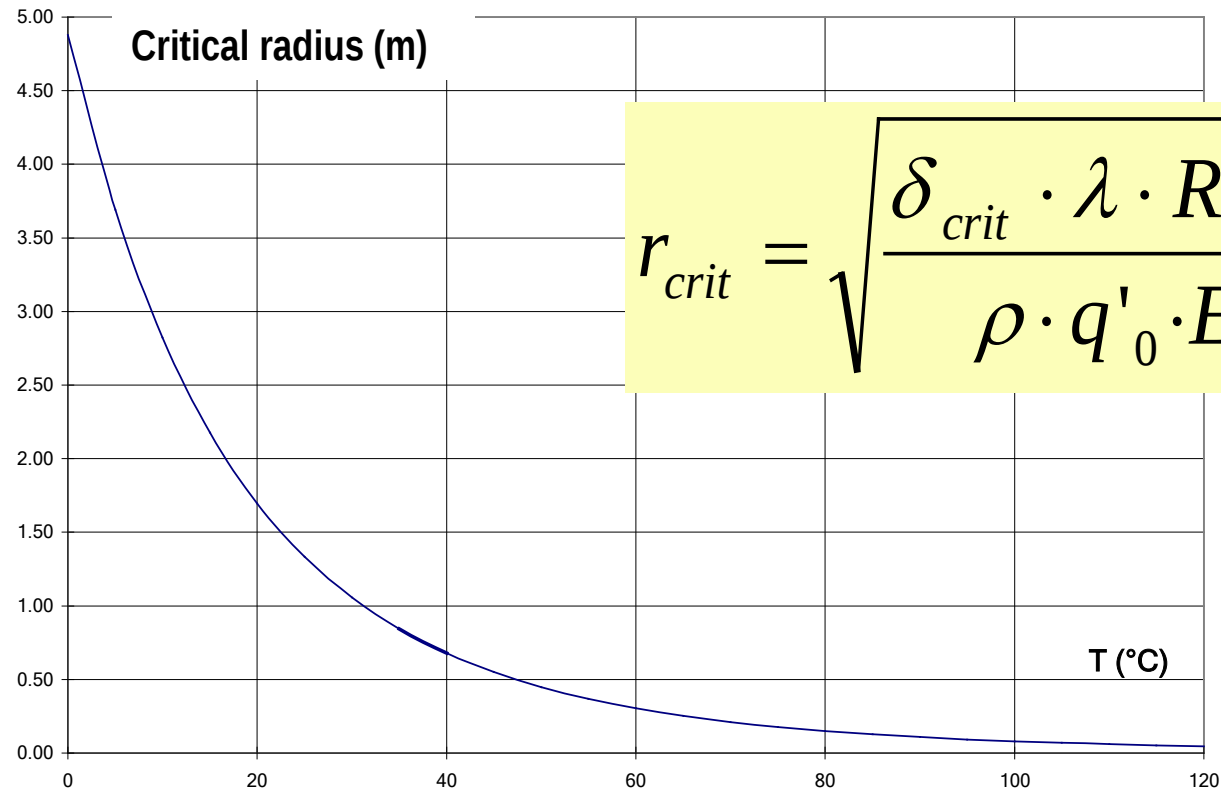


$$r_{\text{crit}} = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_{\text{crit}} \cdot \lambda \cdot RT_0^2}{\rho \cdot q'_0 \cdot E}}$$

$r$ : critical radius [m]

$\lambda$ : Thermal conductivity [W/(K·m)]

$\delta_{\text{crit}}$ : form factor



## Form Factor Frank-Kamenetskii criterion

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- Slab  $\delta_{\text{crit}} = 0.88$
- Infinite Cylinder  $\delta_{\text{crit}} = 2.0$
- Sphere  $\delta_{\text{crit}} = 3.32$
  
- Cylinder  $h = 3 r$   $\delta_{\text{crit}} = 2.37$
- Cube  $\delta_{\text{crit}} = 2.5$

# Systems with Temperature Profiles

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## Time Scale

- Sphere  $TMR_{ad} > \frac{0.3 \cdot r^2}{a}$
- Cylinder  $TMR_{ad} > \frac{0.5 \cdot r^2}{a}$
- Slab  $TMR_{ad} > \frac{1.14 \cdot r^2}{a}$

# Conduction in solid and transfer at wall

## Thomas Model

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{a} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

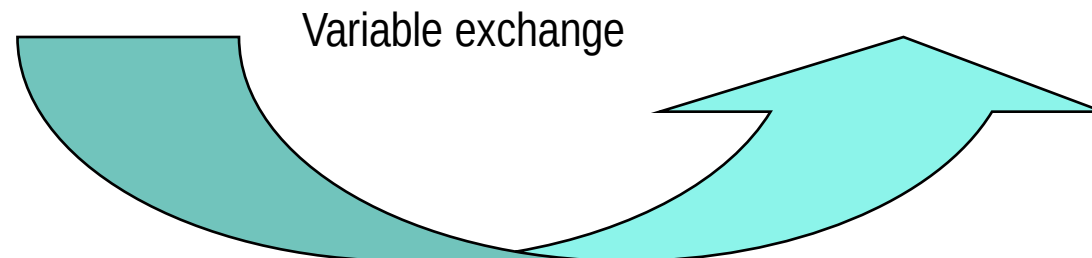
$$z = \frac{x}{r_0} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta = \frac{E(T - T_0)}{RT_0^2}$$

Wall  $\lambda \frac{dT}{dx} + h \cdot (T_s - T_0) = 0 \quad \text{à } x = r_0$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dz} + Bi \cdot \theta_s = 0 \quad \text{at } z = 1$$

Center  $\frac{dT}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{à } x = 0$

$$Bi = \frac{h \cdot r_0}{\lambda}$$



Zero order reaction

$$\nabla_z^2 \theta = \frac{d^2 \theta}{dz^2} + \frac{k}{z} \frac{d\theta}{dz} = \frac{d\theta}{d\tau} - \delta \exp \theta$$

$$\tau = \frac{at}{r_0^2} \quad a = \frac{\lambda}{\rho \cdot Cp'}$$

Reaction characteristics

$$\delta = \frac{\rho_0 \cdot q'_0}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{E}{RT_0^2} \cdot r_0^2$$

Heat transfer

$$\delta_{crit} = \frac{1+k}{e \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\beta_\infty} - \frac{1}{Bi} \right)}$$

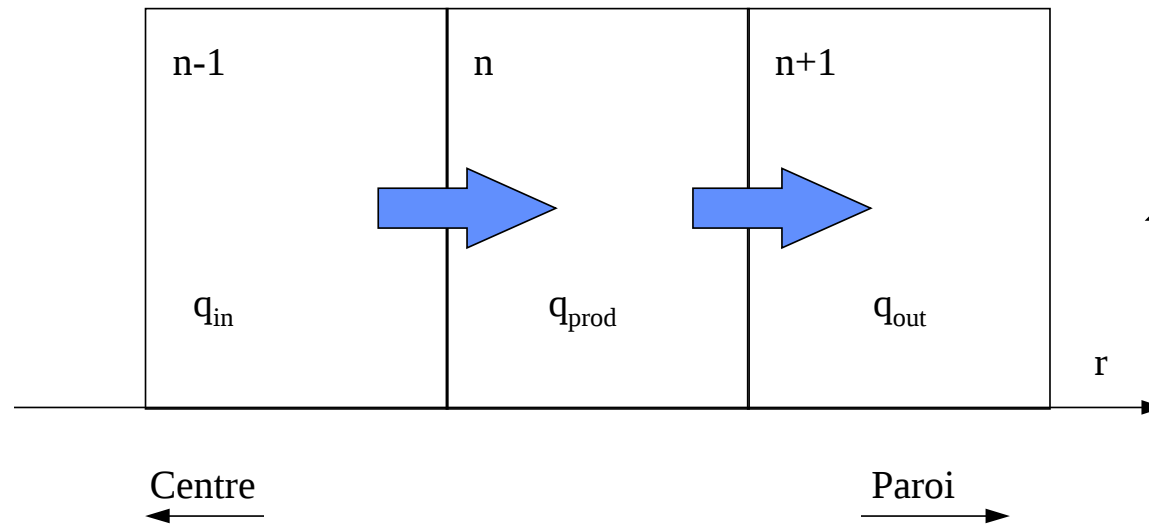
$\delta$  from Thomas model  $\neq$   $\delta$  from Frank-Kamenetskii model

Slab:  $k = 0 \quad \beta_\infty = 2.39$

Cylinder:  $k = 1 \quad \beta_\infty = 2.72$

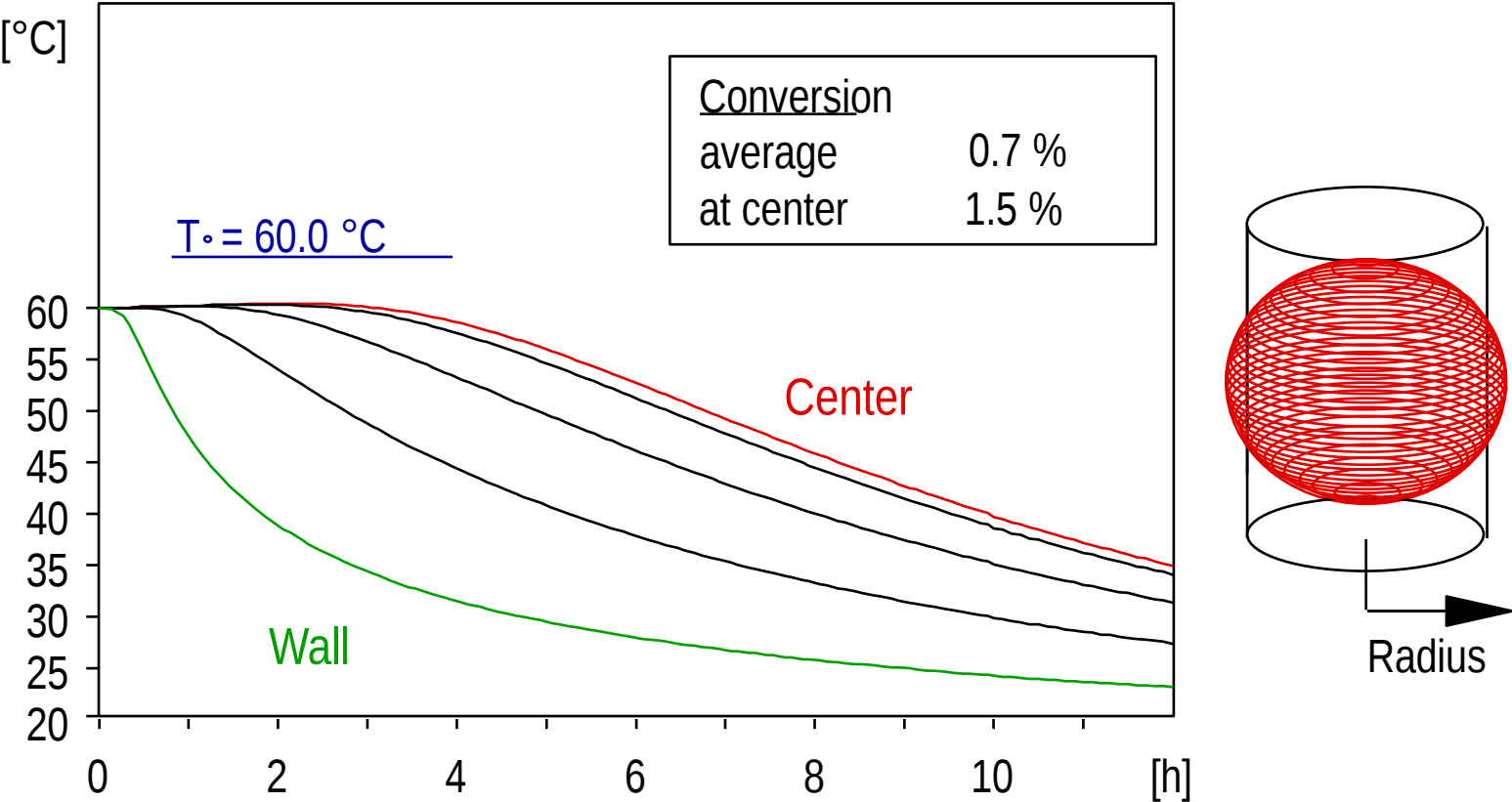
Sphere:  $k = 2 \quad \beta_\infty = 3.01$

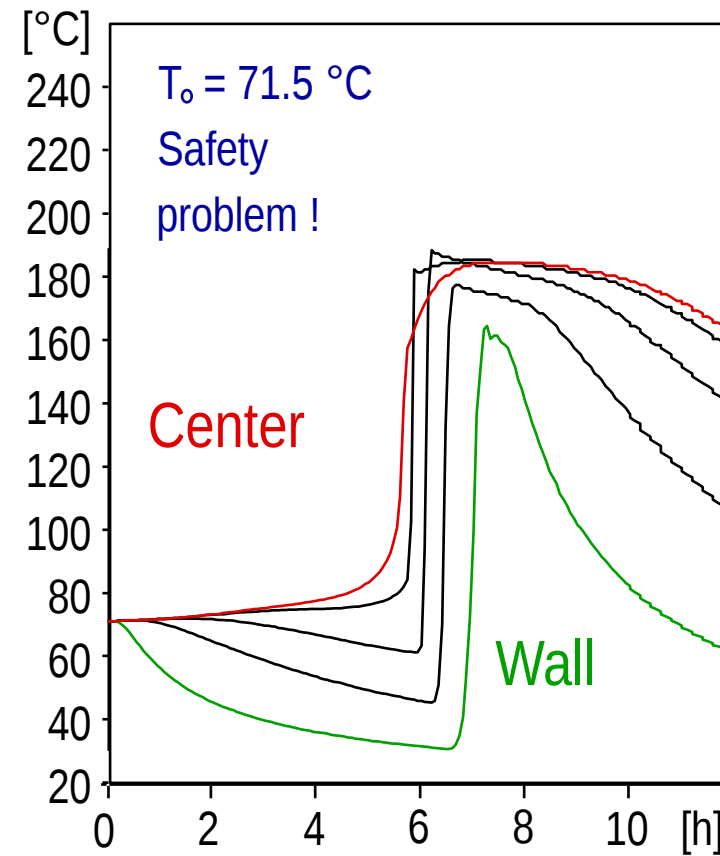
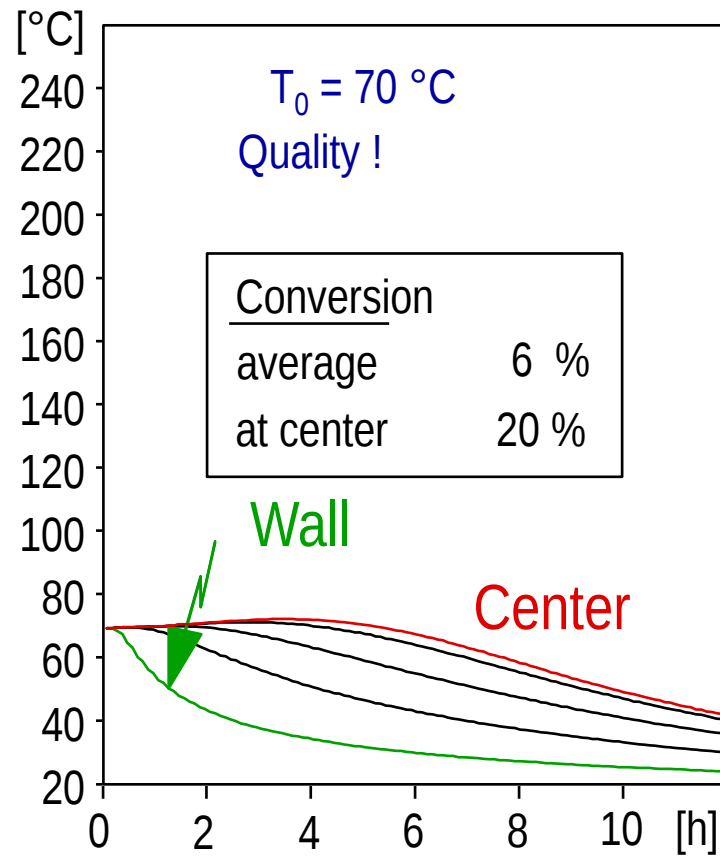
$$Bi = \frac{h \cdot r_0}{\lambda}$$



$$\lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = q_{rx}$$

Heat accumulation:  
hot discharge into a drum





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$$Nu = C^{te} \cdot Ra^m$$

$$\text{with: } Nu = \frac{hL}{\lambda}$$

$$\text{and: } Ra = \frac{g \cdot \beta \cdot L^3 \cdot \rho^2 \cdot Cp' \cdot \Delta T}{\mu \cdot \lambda} = Gr \cdot Pr$$

Turbulent flow :  $Ra > 10^9$

$$Nu = 0,13 Ra^{1/3}$$

Turbulent flow: likely to have natural convection.

Intermediate flow :  $10^4 < Ra < 10^9$

$$Nu = 0,59 Ra^{1/4}$$

Otherwise, safe not rely on natural convection

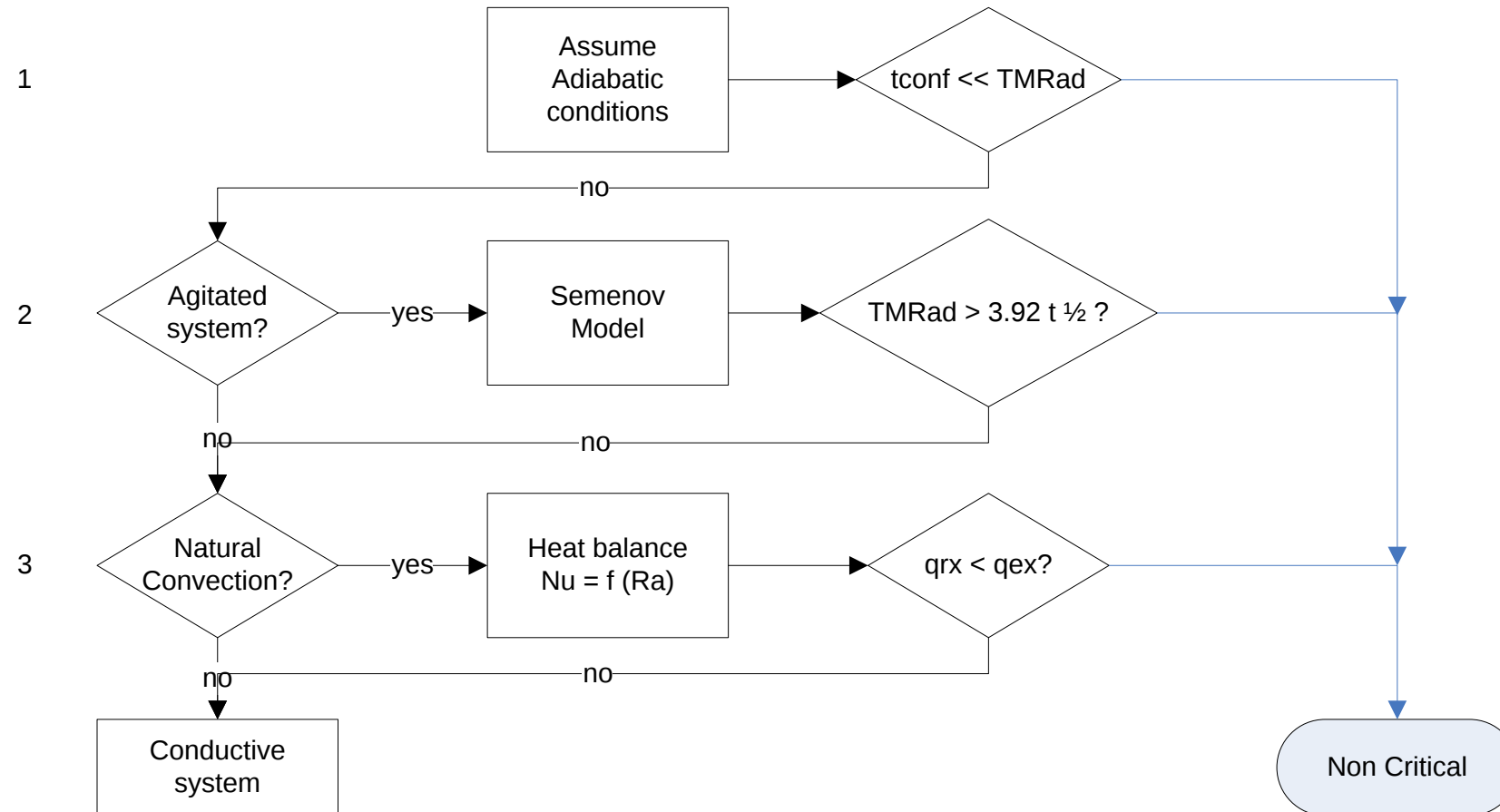
Laminar flow :  $Ra < 10^4$

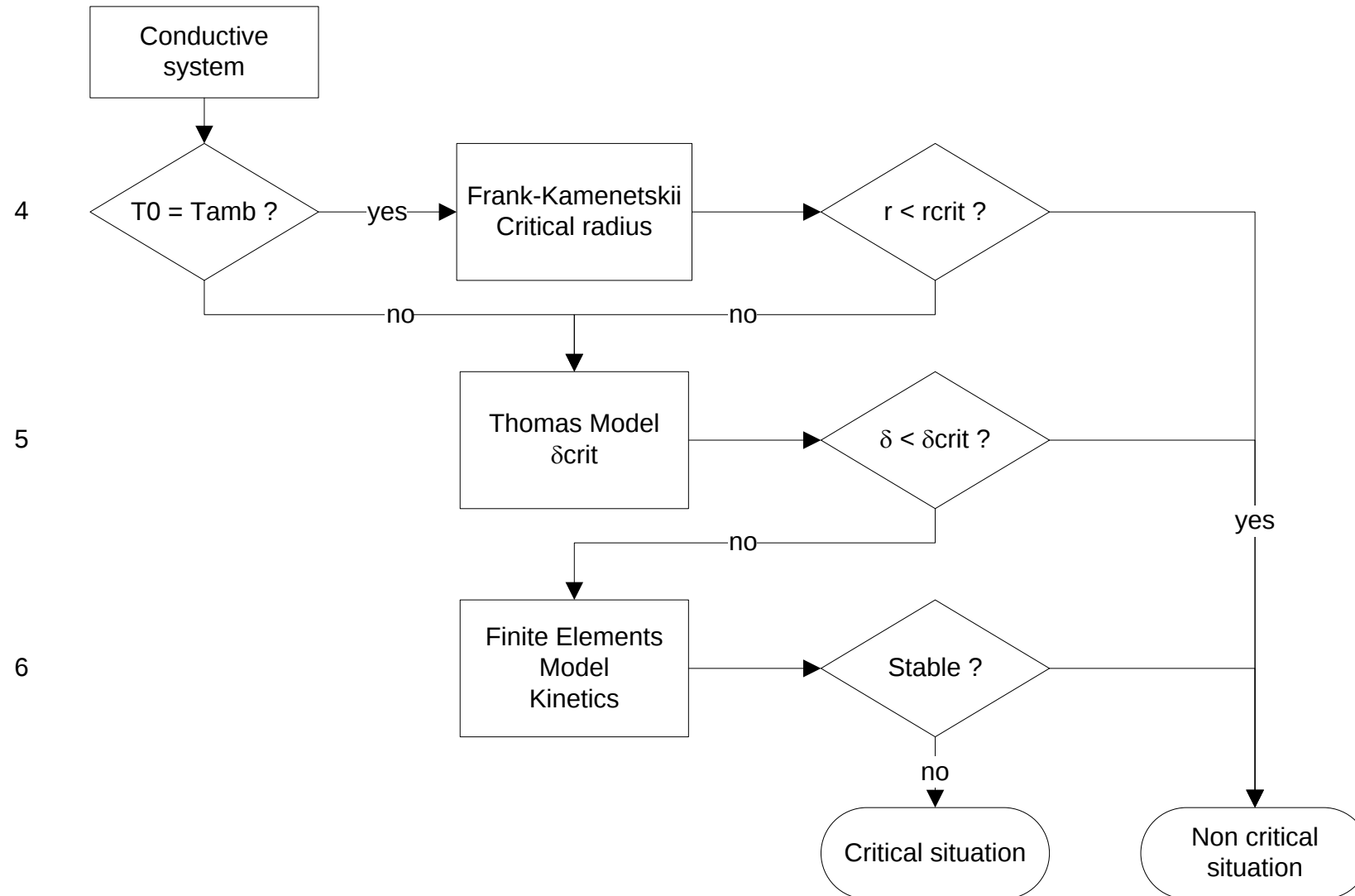
$$Nu = 1,36 Ra^{1/6}$$

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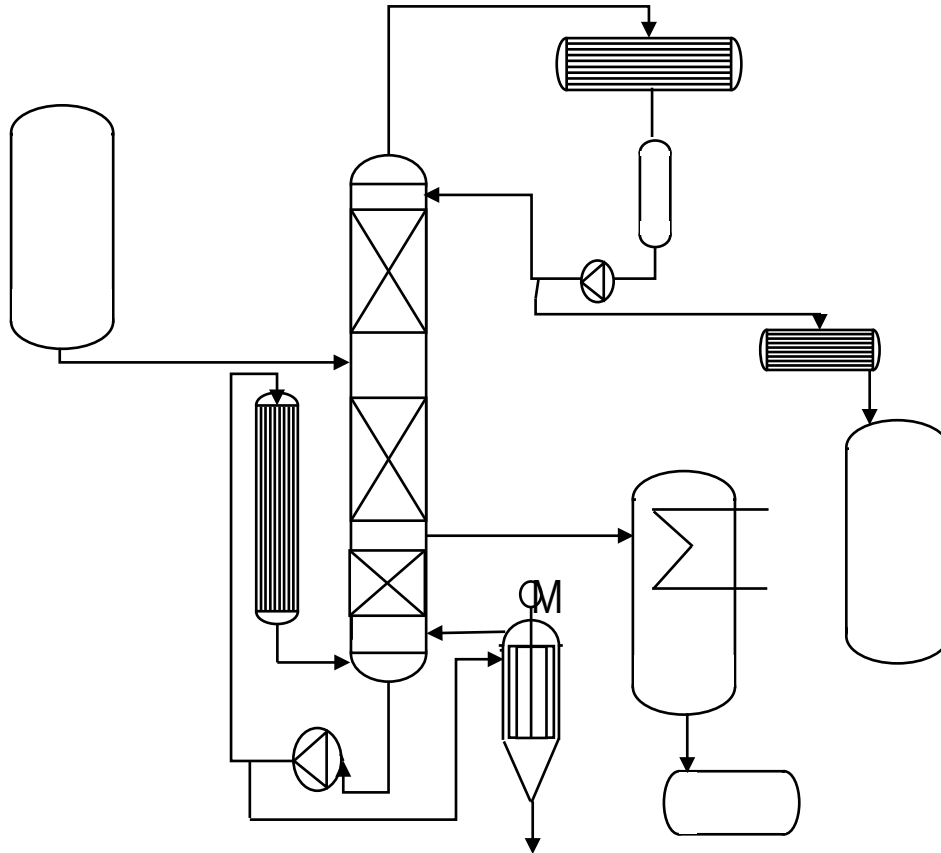
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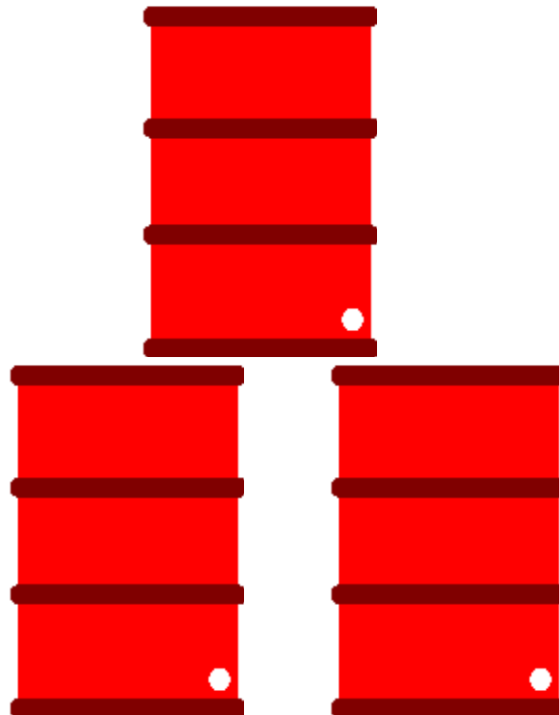


### *Equipment:*

- Distillation residue
- Isolated equipment
- Continuous processes at shut down

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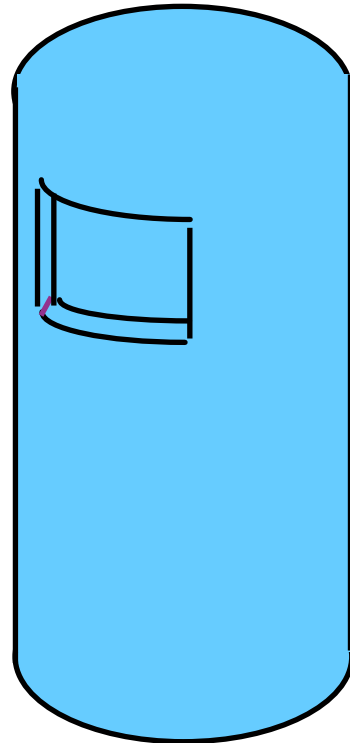


- Storage
- Hot discharge
- Discharge after thermal stress  
(Drying, Milling, Blending,  
Formulation)

**Monitor Temperature at Center !**

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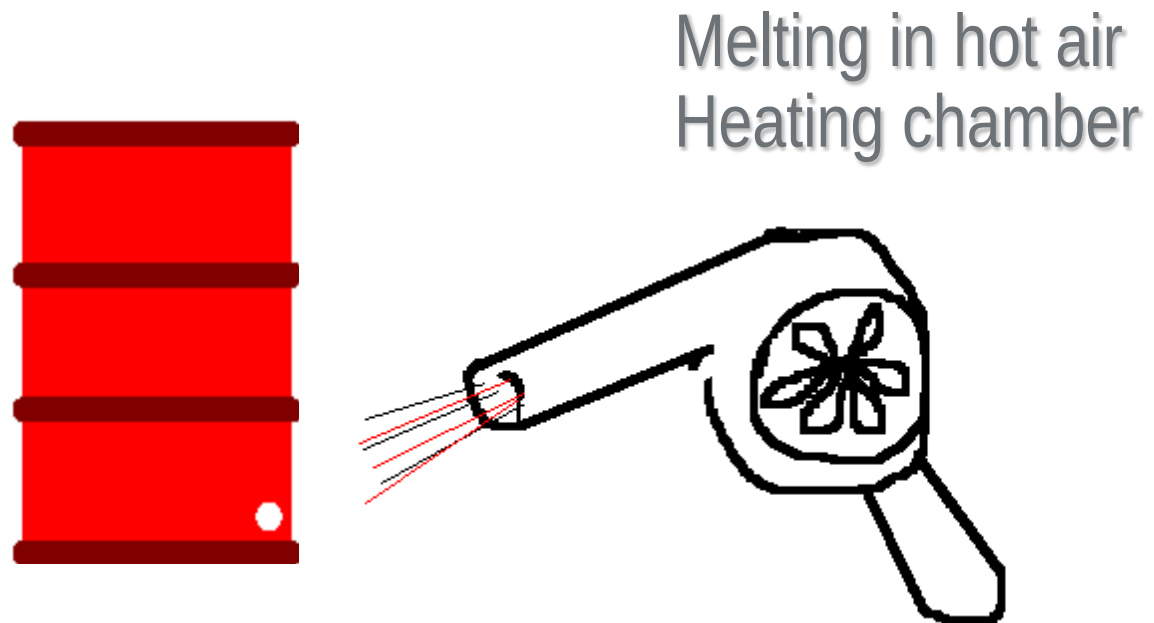


- Tanks with reactive contents
- Insulated storage tanks
- Changes in thermal insulation

**Monitor Temperatur at center !**

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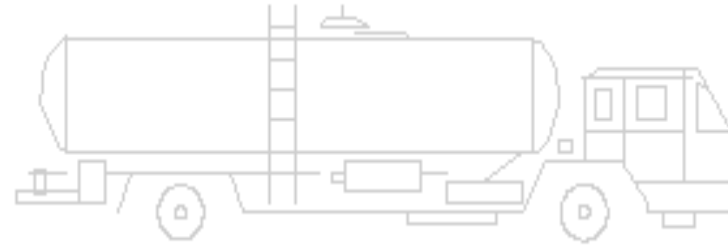
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Monitor Temperature at Center of bulk !

# Where may Heat Accumulation Occur ?

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## Transport

