





Simulation of thermal impacts induced by fires with a coupling OpenFOAM-Cast3m

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Purposes of CarMoThaP

Archaeological data





Purposes

Database of microstructure of thermo-alterations



Database of microstructure of fuels

Numerical simulations of fires



High resolution transmission microscopy of a soot particle



Simulation of wall temperatures

Experimentations





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CarMoThaP – Studied sites

Bruniquel (Tarn-et-Garonne) J. Jaubert



- Middle Paleolithic
- Fuel: bones (and wood ?)
- Speleothems

Chauvet-Pont d'Arc (Ardèche) J-M. Geneste



Enlène (Ariège) R. Begouën



Habitat

- Magdalenian
- Fuel: bones (and wood ?)

Comarque (Dordogne) O. Fuentes



- Painted cave (Aurignacian)
- Fuel: scots pine
- Thermo-alterations on the ceiling
- Softening of the walls

- Painted cave
- Magdalenian and medieval occupation
- ➢ Fuel: wood ?

Some questions

Colour change

Spalling

Soot deposit



Chemical reactions

Red (rubification) ~ 250°C
Grey ~ 350°C





- Amount of wood
- Source of ignition
- Method of supply
- Number of fires



Experimentations



2,50 m

Thermo-alterations reproduction

Rubification





Spalling





Numerical modelling

Open source software



OpenFOAM results

40 minutes after the ignition



Entrance

Comparison of the results 1/2



Comparison of the results 2/2 Numerical rubification **Rubification Experimental rubification** 250 °C – 10 min Entrance

Coupling OpenFOAM-Cast3m <u>1st step – Defining the boundary geometry</u>





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Coupling OpenFOAM-Cast3m <u>3rd step – Granetry mesh</u>

Mesh performed by GMSH according to user settings



4th step – Thermal boundary conditions

Boundary line temperature



Temperature of the closest OpenFOAM boundary face

5th step – Writing the .dgibi file

Coupling OpenFOAM-Cast3m 4/4 <u>6th step – Run Cast3m</u>

Thermal modelling

Mechanical modelling

- Isotropic
- Thermal properties depending on temperature

- Isotropic
- Elastic
- Mechanical properties depending on temperature

7th step – Post processing

- VTK output → ParaView
- OpenFOAM and Cast3m simulations
 → same post-processing



Cast3m results 2/2



The Chauvet-Pont d'Arc cave



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Thermo-alterations in the Megaloceros gallery

Spalling



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Photogrammetry made by Thomas Sagory Musée d'Archéologie nationale, domaine national de Saint-Germain-en-Laye





Construction of a fluid-structure coupling

Open-source 3D OpenFOAM → 2D Cast3m

Application to the Chauvet-Pont d'Arc fires

Simulation of scenarios

Amount of wood Source of ignition Supply method Number of fires





Function(s) of the fires in the Chauvet-Pont d'Arc cave ?

Appendix A





Process to connect the points

Connection to the closest point

