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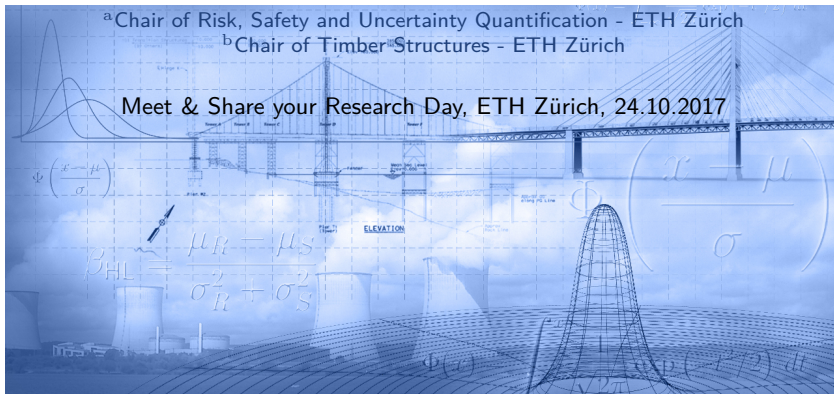
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# Outline

- ① Problem Formulation
- ② Calibration through Bayesian Inference
- ③ Results

# Fire Insulation in Timber Structures

## Design Approach

- Restrict the spread of fire (separating function)
- Simulation of behavior largely based on temperature-dependent parameters ( $\lambda(T)$ ,  $c(T)$ )
- Design method requires  $\lambda(T)$ ,  $c(T)$

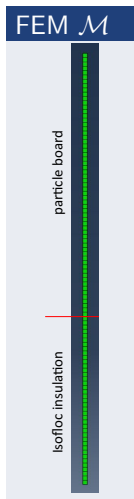
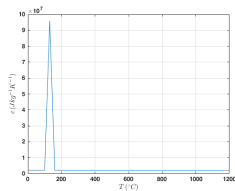
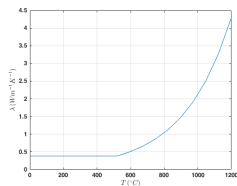
Schleifer (2009), Breu (2016)



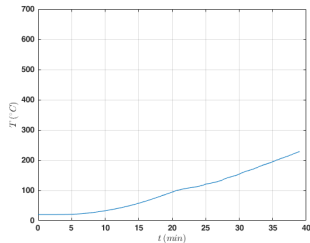
Need for an efficient method to determine  $\lambda(T)$ ,  $c(T)$

# Computational Model $\mathcal{M}$

$$[\lambda(T), c(T)] = f(\theta)$$



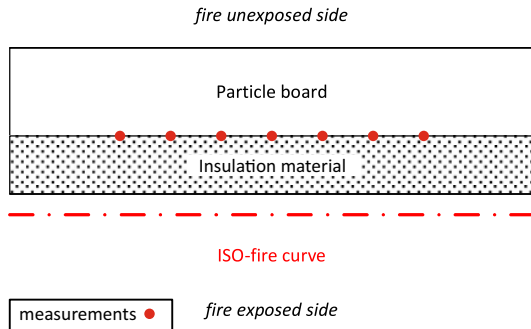
$$T(t)$$



# Experimental Data

## Setup

- test specimens subjected to ISO-fire curve
- temperature measured over time at interface between the insulation material and a particle board

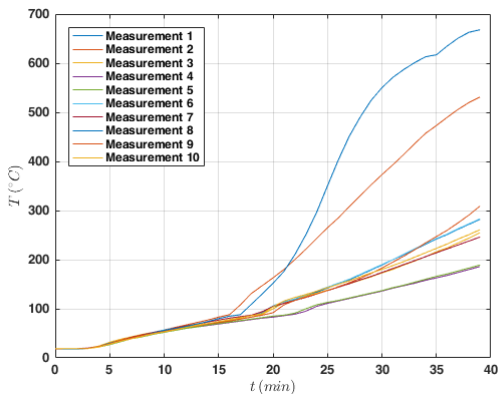


after Breu (2016)

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## Observations for Isofloc insulation

- non-homogeneous material
- cracking
- non-uniform heating

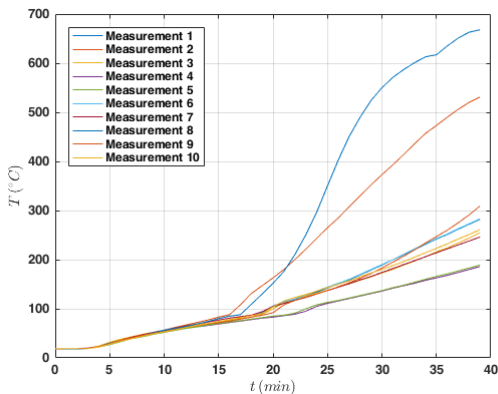


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How to account for these uncertainties during calibration?



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# Bayesian Inference

Allows the combination of prior information with new acquired data  $\mathcal{D}$  to posterior information

## Bayes' Theorem

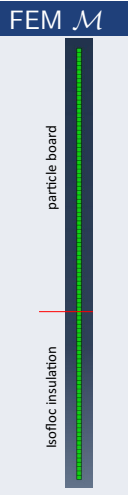
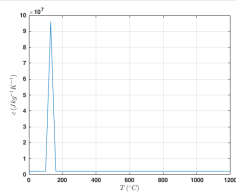
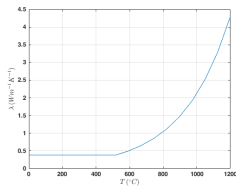
$$\underbrace{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathcal{D})}_{\text{Posterior}} \propto \underbrace{p(\mathcal{D}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}_{\text{Likelihood}} \underbrace{p(\boldsymbol{\theta})}_{\text{Prior}}$$

Samples from the posterior distribution correspond to the most plausible parameters  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  given the data  $\mathcal{D}$  and prior information.

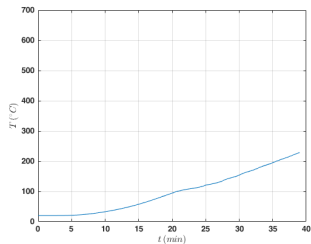
Samples from the posterior can be obtained through MCMC

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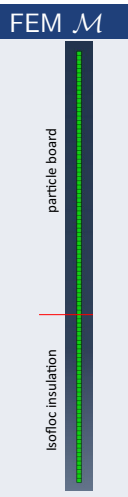
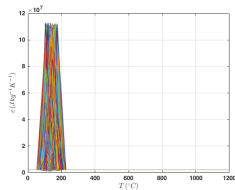
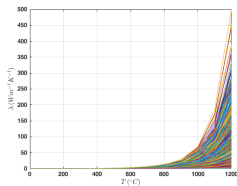


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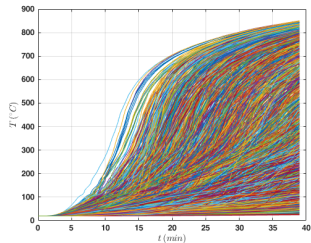


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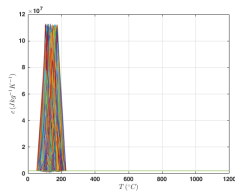
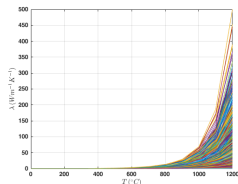


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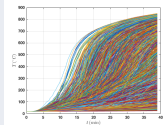
Much faster:

1 run of  $\mathcal{M}$ : 70 sec.

1e6 runs of  $\mathcal{M}^{PC}$ : 17 sec.

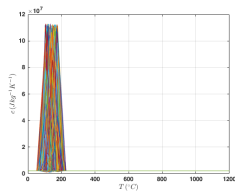
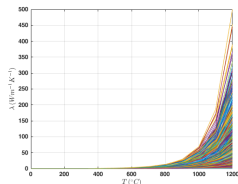
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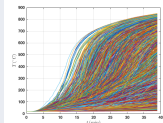
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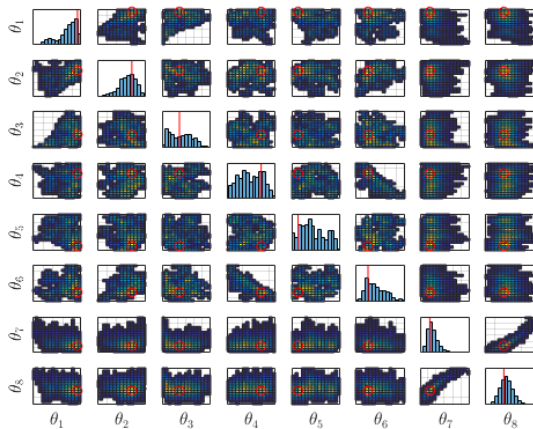
Total cost for Bayesian Calibration:

- 2 hours using PCE
- 6.7 years using original model

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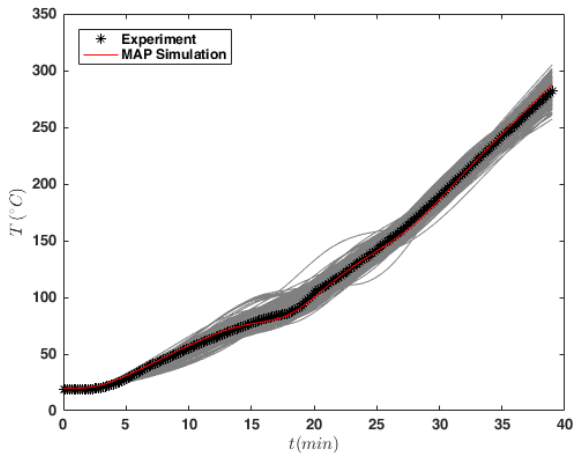
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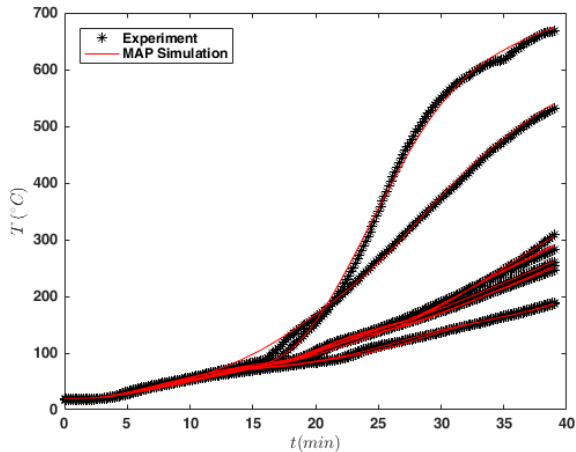




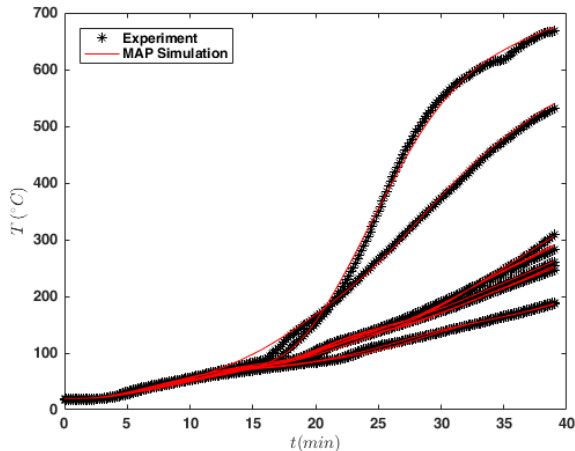
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A hierarchical model shall be used to account for the variability between measurements and test panels

# Conclusion

- Calibration of models with experiments is of general interest in D-BAUG
- Bayesian framework allows the efficient combination of simulations and experiments
- PCE is a general non-intrusive method for surrogate modeling that saves 5-6 orders of magnitude of time in simulations for model calibration
- All the tools are available in UQLab



- You're welcome to come to us with your problem!

Thank You!

Questions?