

## Optimal Experiment Design for the estimation of moisture material properties

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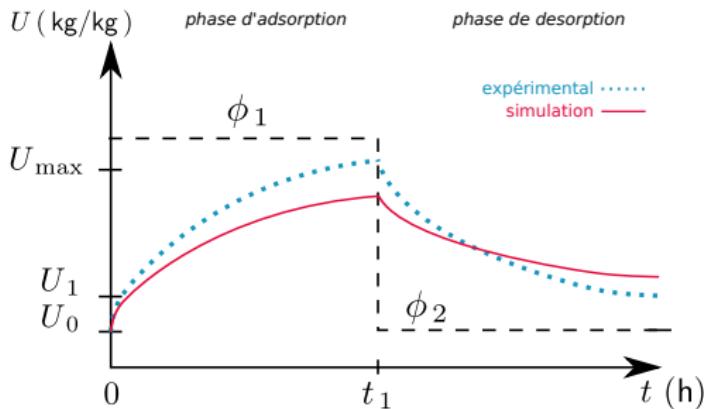
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## Context

Comparison numerical prediction VS. experimental observations

Some discrepancies observed [1] :

- for different materials,
- for different facilities,
- at different scales : material & wall.



Possible explanation :

⇒ estimation of material properties according to standards

$$\text{standards} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{gravimetric method ISO 12571} \\ \text{cup method ISO 12572} \end{array} \right\} = \text{steady state measurements}$$

## Issues

Objective : Estimating the material properties using transient measurements.

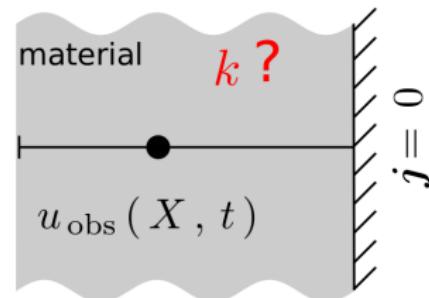
Methodology,

1. Define a configuration
2. Define a physical model :

$$c \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right),$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \text{Bi} \left( u - u_{\infty}(t) \right), \quad x = 0$$

$$u_{\infty}(t)$$



3. Obtain the experimental observations  $u_{\text{obs}}(t)$  with local sensor(s)

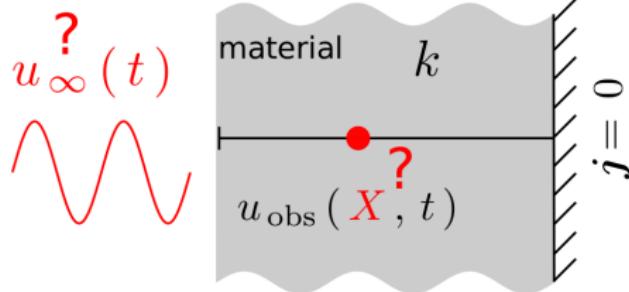
4. Solve the inverse problem :  $k = \arg \min_k \left\| u(X, t, k) - u_{\text{obs}}(X, t) \right\|_2$

## Problem statement

### Estimation of material properties

However,

- Where to place the sensors ?
- What variations for  $u_\infty(t)$ ?
  - what amplitude ?
  - what frequency ?



Using the Optimal Experimental Design (OED)

Some references :

- FEDOROV 1972 [2],
- BECK and Arnold 1977 [3],
- WALTER et al. 1990 [4, 5],
- UCINSKI 2004 [6].

With applications in :

- ARTYUKHIN et al. 1985 [7],
- NENAROKOMOV et al. 2005 [8],
- KARALASHVILI et al. 2015 [9].

## Searching the OED

Parameter estimation problem for  $\boldsymbol{P} = [p_m], \forall m \in \{1, \dots, M\}$

1. Compute the sensitivity functions :

$$\Theta_m(x, t) = \frac{\sigma_p}{\sigma_u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial p_m}, \quad \forall m \in \{1, \dots, M\}$$

2. Compute the FISHER information matrix :

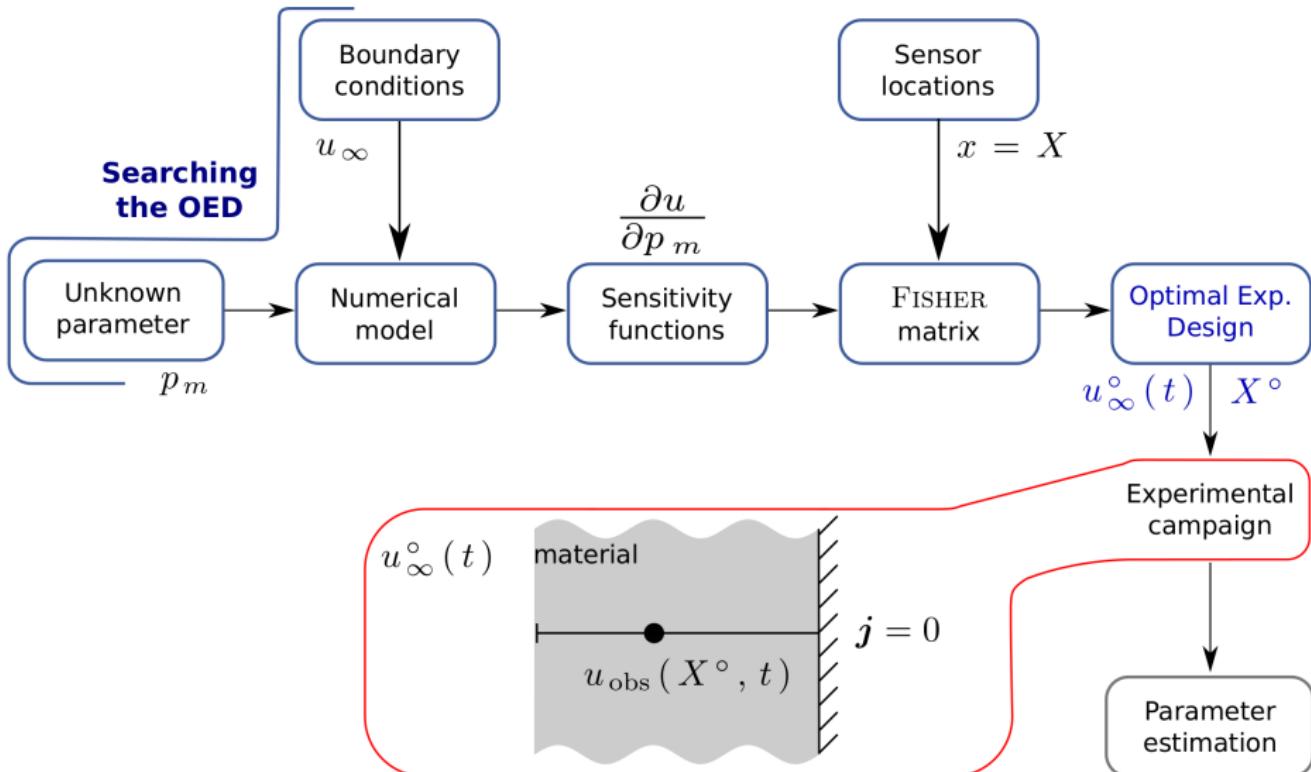
$$F = [\Phi_{ij}], \quad \forall (i, j) \in \{1, \dots, M\}^2,$$

$$\Phi_{ij} = \sum_{n=1}^N \int_0^\tau \Theta_i(X_n, t) \Theta_j(X_n, t) dt,$$

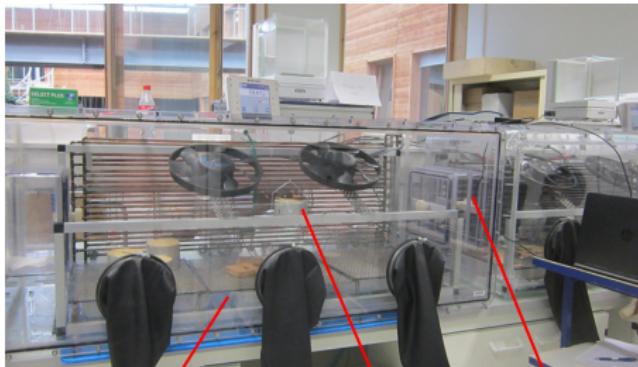
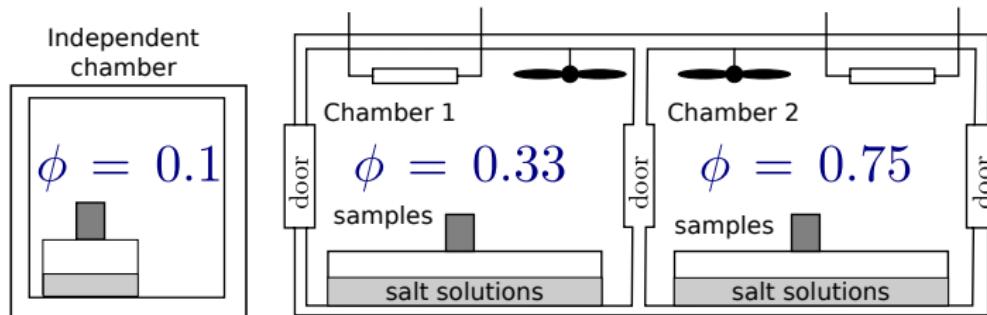
3. Maximize the criteria  $\Psi$  :

$$\Psi = \det[F(\pi)], \text{ as a function of the design } \pi = \{X, u_\infty\}$$

## Synthesis of the methodology



## The facility



Salt solution

Sample

Airlock



Samples



Sensors

## The physical model

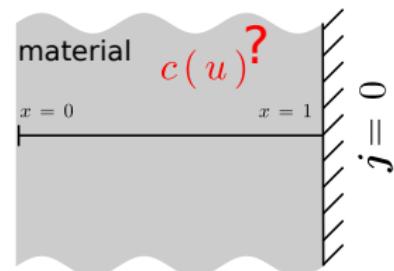
Vapor transfer in porous material [10]

$$c(u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \text{Fo} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( d(u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \text{Pe} u \right),$$

and the boundary conditions :

$$d(u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \text{Pe} u = \text{Bi} \cdot (u - u_\infty), \quad x = 0.$$

$$u_\infty(t)$$



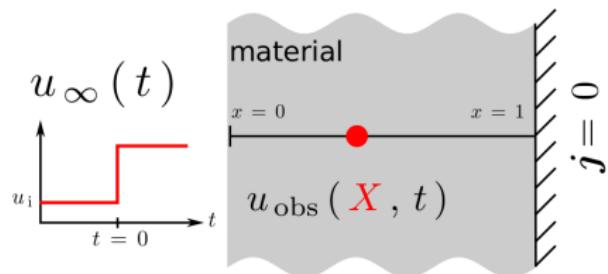
Coefficient  $c(u)$  is unknown and parameterized as :  $c(u) = 1 + c_1 u + c_2 u^2$

Parameters to be estimated :  $\text{Fo}$ ,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ .

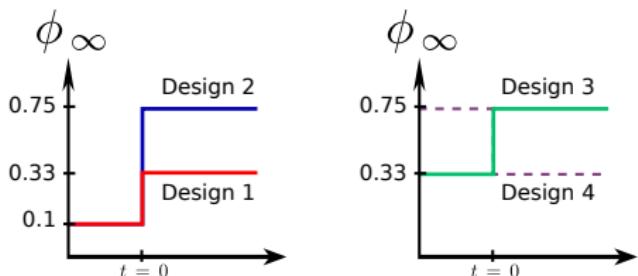
## The possible designs : single step

### Configuration :

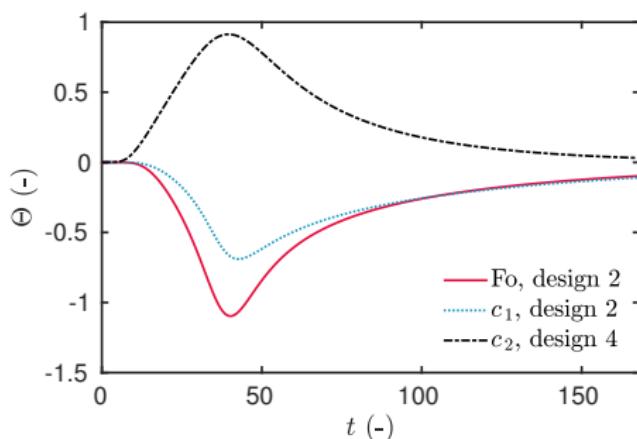
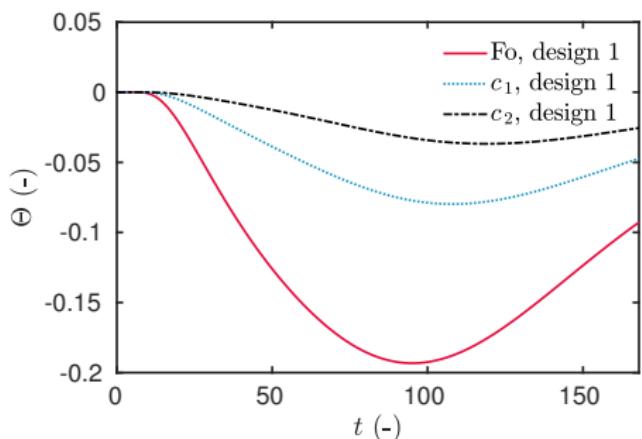
- single step of relative humidity,
- one sensor to place inside the material,
- estimation of **one** parameter among  $Fo$ ,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ .



Design	Initial cond.	Boundary cond.
	$\phi_i$	$\phi_{\infty}$
1	0.1	0.33
2	0.1	0.75
3	0.33	0.75
4	0.75	0.33



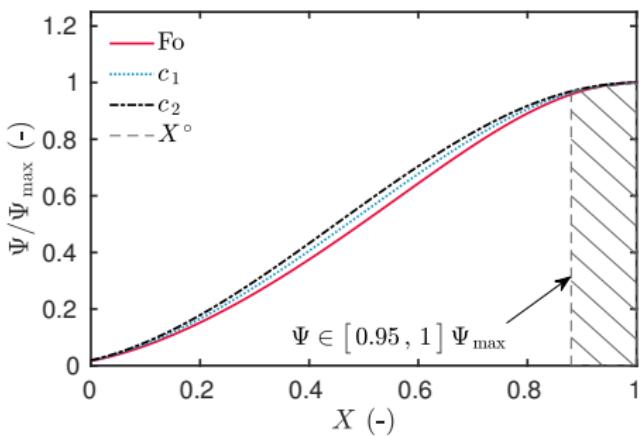
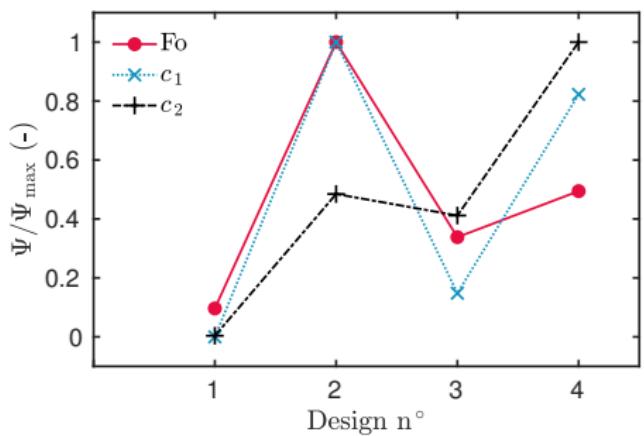
## The sensitivity functions



Design	$\phi_i$	$\phi_\infty$
1	0.1	0.33
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4	0.75	0.33

$$\Theta = \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial \text{Fo}}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial c_1}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial c_2} \right)$$

## Searching the OED



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OED :

- Estimation of Fo and  $c_1 \Rightarrow$  Design 2
- Estimation of  $c_2 \Rightarrow$  Design 4
- Location of the sensor  $\Rightarrow X \in [0.9, 1]$ .

## Single step experiments

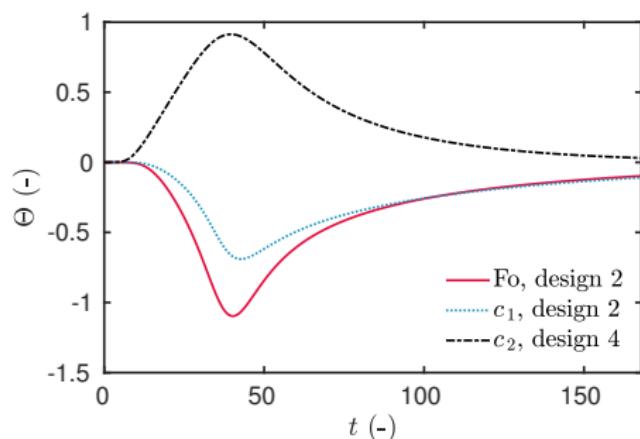
However,

- only for the estimation of one parameter,
- strong correlation of sensitivity functions :

$$\text{Cor}(\text{Fo}, c_1) \in [0.94, 0.99],$$

$$\text{Cor}(c_1, c_2) \in [0.92, 0.99],$$

$$\text{Cor}(\text{Fo}, c_2) \in [0.71, 0.95].$$

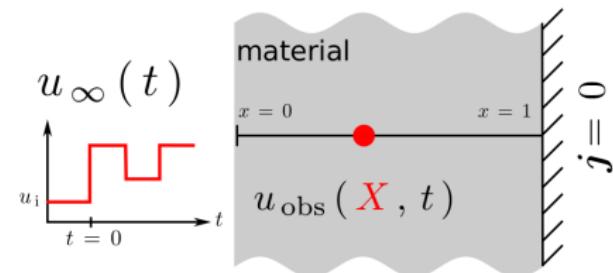


- for the estimation of the three parameters  $\text{Fo}$ ,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$   
⇒ need other experimental data

# The possible designs : multiple steps

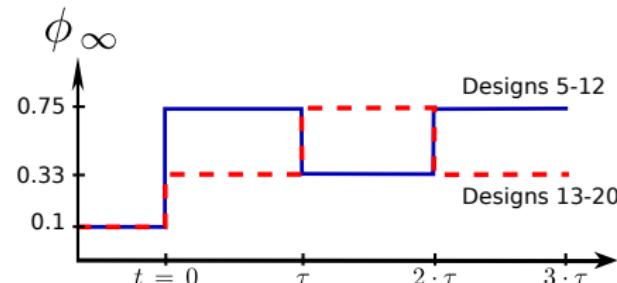
## Configuration :

- multiple steps of relative humidity,
- variable duration of the step  $\tau$ ,
- one sensor to place inside the material,
- estimation of the two parameters  $(F_0, c_2)$ .

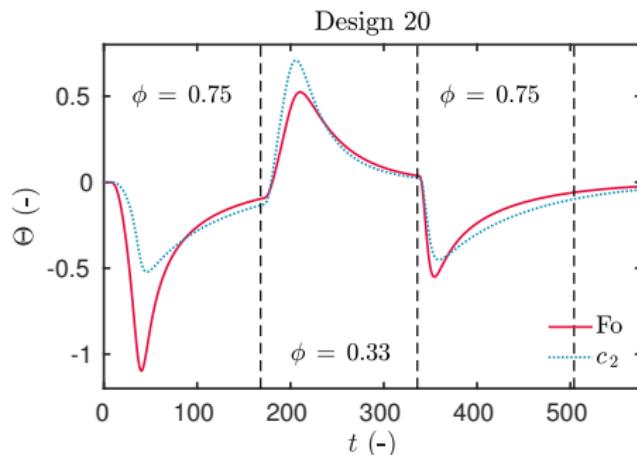
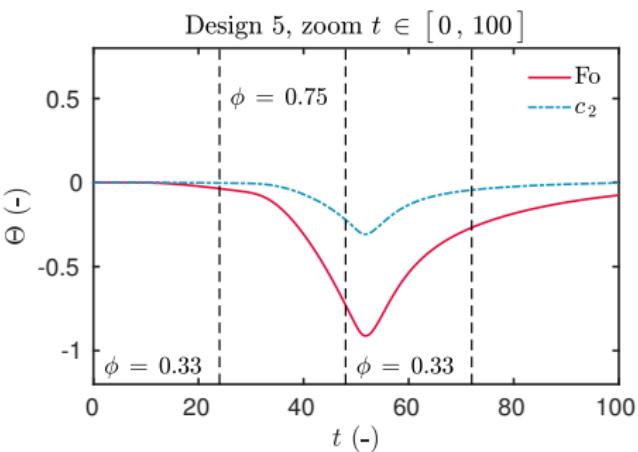


Des.	Initial cond.		Boundary cond.	
	$\phi_i$	$\phi_{\infty,1}$	$\phi_{\infty,2}$	$\phi_{\infty,3}$
5-12	0.1	0.33	0.75	0.33
13-20	0.1	0.75	0.33	0.75

$\tau \in [1, 8]$  days

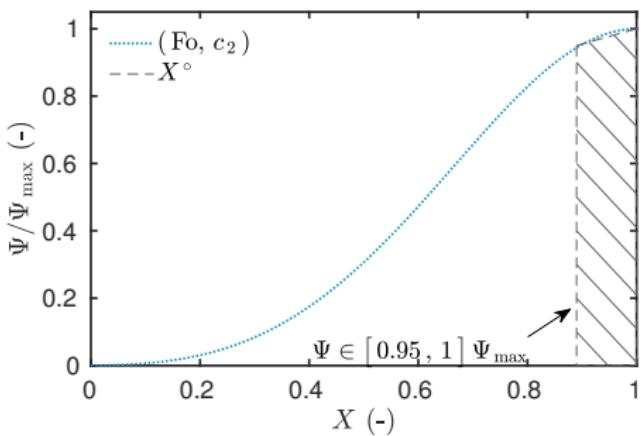
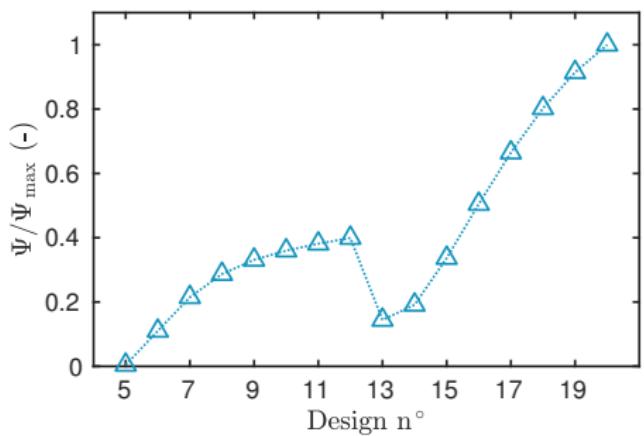


## The sensitivity functions



Design	$\phi_i$	$\phi_{\infty,1}$	$\phi_{\infty,2}$	$\phi_{\infty,3}$	$\tau$ (days)
5	0.1	0.33	0.75	0.33	1
20	0.1	0.75	0.33	0.75	8

## Searching the OED



OED :

- Estimation of  $(F_o, c_2)$   $\Rightarrow$  Design 20
- Location of the sensor  $\Rightarrow X \in [0.9, 1]$ .

Design	$\phi_i$	$\phi_{\infty, 1}$	$\phi_{\infty, 2}$	$\phi_{\infty, 3}$	$\tau$ (days)
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## Solving the parameter estimation problem

Performing the experiments :

- one sensor located at  $X = 1$ .
- OED for single step of relative humidity  
 $\Rightarrow$  estimation of  $c_1$

Single step		
Design	$\phi_i$	$\phi_\infty$
OED	0.1	0.75

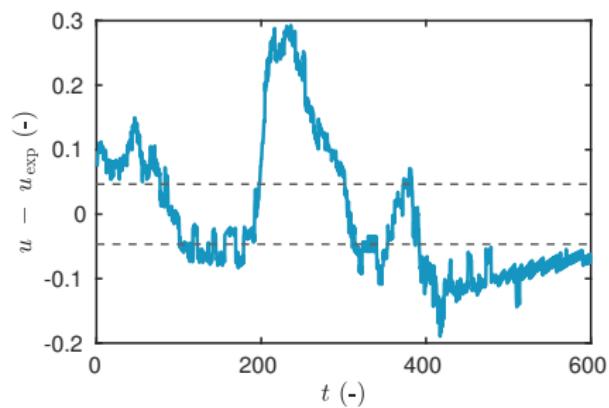
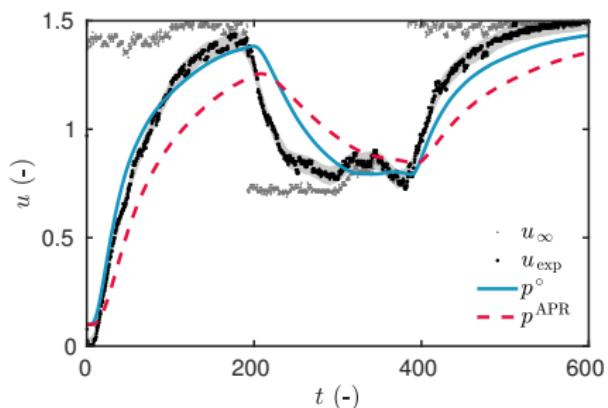
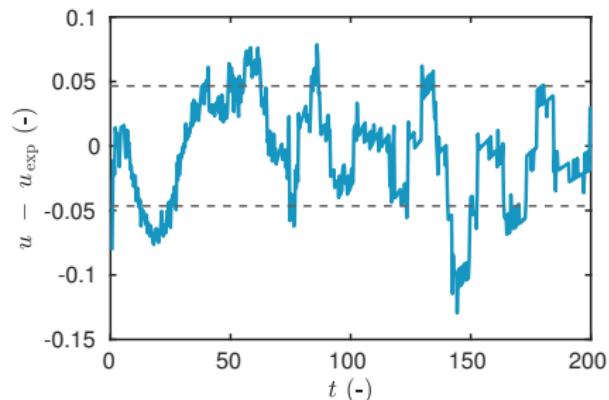
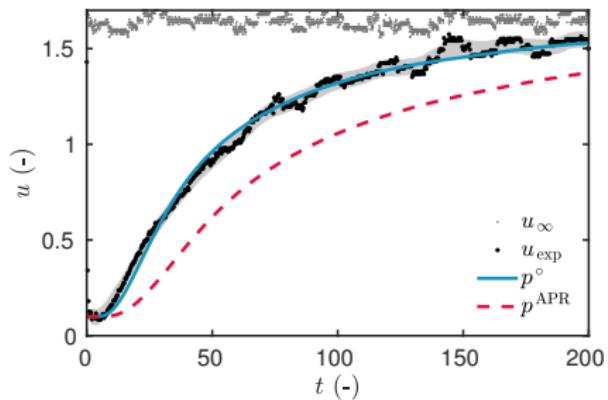
- OED for multiple steps of relative humidity,  
 $\Rightarrow$  estimation of  $(F_o, c_2)$

Multiple steps					
Design	$\phi_i$	$\phi_\infty, 1$	$\phi_\infty, 2$	$\phi_\infty, 3$	$\tau$ (days)
OED	0.1	0.75	0.33	0.75	8

Solving the parameter estimation problem :

- demonstration of the formal identifiability (Structural Global Identifiability),
- interior point algorithm with `fmincon` Matlab™ function.

## Solving the parameter estimation problem



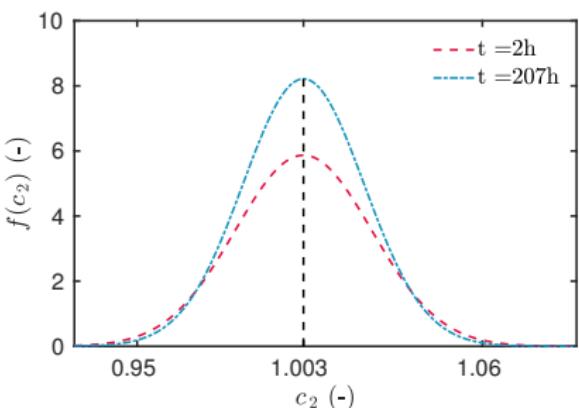
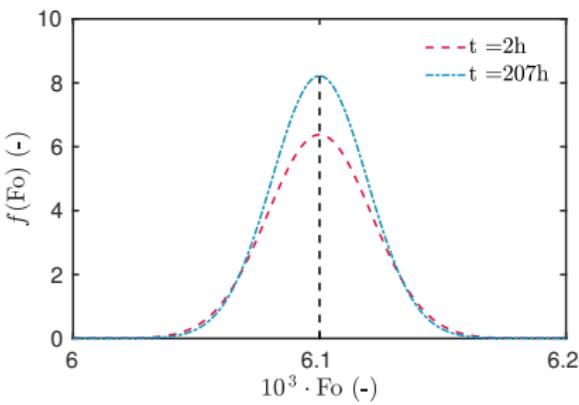
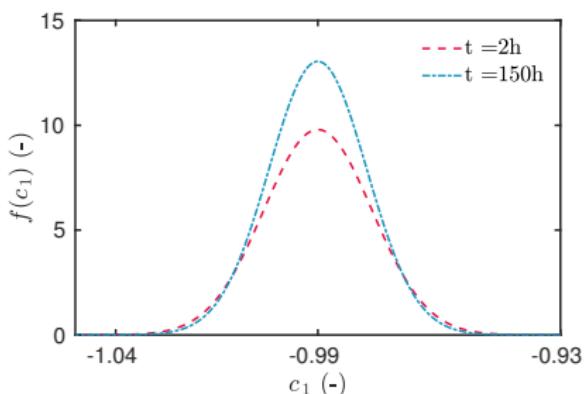
## Solving the parameter estimation problem

The importance of sensitivity functions :

- the probability of the unknown parameter

$p_m$  can be approximated :

$$\begin{aligned} F(\bar{p}_m) &= \mathcal{P}\left\{ p_m \leq \bar{p}_m \right\} \\ &= F\left( u + \Theta_m \cdot (\bar{p}_m - p_m^\circ) \right). \end{aligned}$$



## Conclusion

### Optimal Experimental Design approach :

- within parameter estimation problem context,
- numerical method for the definition of experimental design,
- the importance of the sensitivity functions.

### Limitations :

- depends on the physical model,
- depends on the *a priori* parameters values.

### Outlooks :

- taking into account hysteresis effects in the physical model.

Merci pour votre attention

## Validation OED

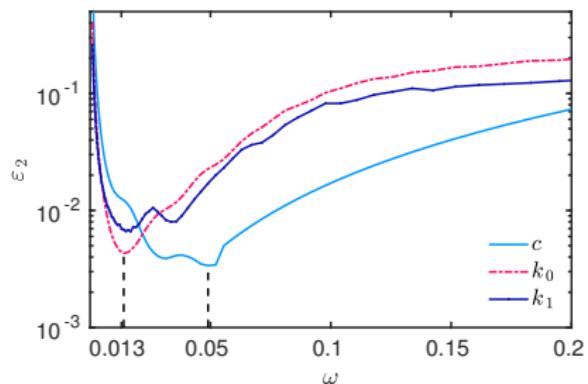
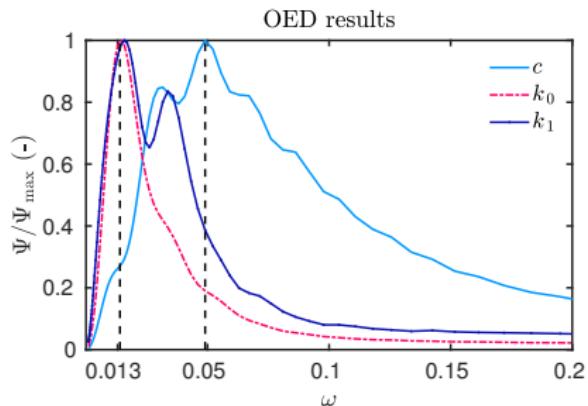
Problem :

$$\begin{aligned} c \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( (k_0 + k_1 u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right), \\ -k(u) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= A \sin(2\pi\omega t), \quad x = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Validation :

- for a fixed  $\omega$ ,
- for a given  $p_m^\circ \in \{c, k_0, k_1\}$ ,
- observation generated numerically with a noise  $u_{\text{obs}}$ ,
- $N_e = 100$  inverse problem solved to estimate  $p_m$ ,
- computation of the error :

$$\varepsilon_2 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_e} \sum (p_m - p_m^\circ)^2}$$



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