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Plenary conferences



Yasunori Tanaka (Kanazawa University, Japan) Modulated Induction Thermal Plasmas and their Application to High-Throughput Nanopowder Synthesis



Svetlana Starikovskaia (*Laboratory of Plasma Physics, Palaiseau, France*) Kinetics of nanosecond discharges at high specific energy release



M. C. M. van de Sanden (DIFFER, Eindhoven, NL) The Electrified Future: A key Role for Plasma Chemistry?



Masaru Hori (Nagoya University, Japan) Carrying knowledge into a new vision of plasma chemistry



Uwe Czarnetzki (*Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany*) Helium ns-pulsed atmospheric pressure discharges and the key role of Rydberg molecules

22 Invited conferences

Thierry Belmonte, Université de Nancy, France	Plasma synthesis of nanostructures in liquid environements
Jan Benedikt, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany	Plasma diagnostics and modeling in reactive plasmas
Gheorge Dinescu, National Institute for Laser, Romania	Plasma processing of nanomaterials and nanostructures
Timo Gans, The University of York, UK	Plasma diagnostics and modeling in reactive plasmas
Xavier Glad, Université de Montréal, Canada	Plasma-interactions in material processing
Michael Keidar, George Washington University, USA	Plasma medecine
Gaétan Laroche, Université Laval, Canada	Plasma deposition of functional coatings
Xingwen Li, Xi'an Jiaotong University, China	Plasma diagnostics and modeling in reactive plasmas
Bruce Locke, Florida State University, USA	Plasma in and in contact with liquids
Lorenzo Mangolini, University of California-Riverside, USA	Plasma deposition of functional coatings
Selma Mededovic Thagard, Clarkson University, USA	Plasma in and in contact with liquids
Nicolas Naudé, Université Paul Sabatier, France	Characteristics of dielectric barrier discharges and plasma jets
Maria Guadalupe Neira Velazquez, Centro de Investigación en Química Aplicada, Mexico	Plasma processing of nanomaterials and nanostructures
Zoran Petrovic, Institute of Physics, Serbia	Plasma diagnostics and modeling in reactive plasmas
Vincent Rat, Université de Limoges, France	Thermal plasma fundamentals and applications
François Reniers, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium	Plasma deposition of functional coatings
Antoine Rousseau, École Polytechnique, France	Plasma liquid interactions: applications to biology and agriculture
Lio César Sagás, Universidade do Estado de Santa Catarina, Brazil	Plasma-assisted conversion and combustion
Paolo Tosi, University of Trento, Italy	Plasma-assisted conversion and combustion
Xin Tu, University of Liverpool, UK	Plasma-assisted conversion and combustion
Keiichiro Urabe, K.K. Air Liquide Laboratories, Japan	Plasma diagnostics and modeling in reactive plasmas
Douyan Wang, Kumamoto University, Japan	Characteristics of nanosecond discharges in reactive plasmas

Total: 350 papiers



ISPC2011 Philadelphia 400 communications Thermal plasma: 20 comm.

ISPC2013 Cairns 327 communications Thermal plasma: 26 comm. 7 confs + 19 posters

Modélisation & données

Modelling of fume formation in arc welding: the influence of oxygen

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Contexte et objectifs

- Fume is metal oxide nanoparticles, usually agglomerated into chains (Fe, Cr, Ni, Mn)
- 1 to 7 μm chains penetrate deep into lungs and particulates can cause lung cancer

what is the fume formation process?

- Does Fe or FeO or FeO2 nucleate?
- Do the nanoparticles grow by condensation of Fe or FeO or FeO2
- What is the effect of oxygen on the fume properties?

Méthodes:

- coupling a model of particle nucleation and growth to a model of the gas-phase chemistry
 - 1- Chemistry : Species Fe, FeO, FeO2, O2, O and Ar

2- Particle growth : calculation of supersaturation pressure and nucleation Nucleation rates as function of oxygen to argon ration (%mol) and temperature

- coupling this chemical kinetic / particle growth model to a 3D arc model that predicts temperature and iron vapour concentration in Ar and Ar-O2 arcs (one-way coupling from the arc model to the chemical/particle growth model)



 $O + Fe + M \leftrightarrow FeO + M$ $Fe + O_2 \leftrightarrow FeO + O$ $Fe + O_2 + M \leftrightarrow FeO_2 + M$ $FeO + O + M \leftrightarrow FeO_2 + M$ $FeO_2 + O \leftrightarrow FeO + O_2$ $O_2 + M \leftrightarrow O + O + M$

<u>Résultats</u>

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(c) Iron vapour fraction Temperature (K) 0.95 13000 0.85 2 11000 0.75 9000 0.65 7000 0.55 5000 0.45 3000 0.35 1000 0.25 **1**.5 **z** 0.15 0.05 0.5 -0.5 0.5 0 y (cm)

Predictions of particles properties for different streamlines (quenching rates, Fe, O2/Ar) Preferential formation of FeO nanoparticles



The effects of temperature and pressure gradients on the species diffusion in a low power nitrogen/hydrogen arcjet thruster

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Contexte et objectifs

- Study of N2/H2 arcjet thruster considering species diffusion: Non-chemical and thermal equ.

- Pressures varies from 10⁵ Pa at the inlet to 10² Pa at the outlet
- Temperature varies from $10^4~K$ at the core to $10^3~K$ at the wall
- Velocity varies from 10³~10⁴ m/s at the center to 10⁰ m/s at the wall

Méthodes:

- -Working gas: $N_2:H_2=1:3$ (simulated ammonia), $N_2:H_2=1:2$ (simulated hydrazine), $N_2:H_2=1:1$
- -Seven species: H_2 , N_2 , H, N, e, H^+ , N^+
- -Chemical kinetic model: 17 chemical reactions
- -Steady, axisymmetric, laminar and compressible, a two-temperature model , optically thin
- Solving conservation equations: Species, mass, momentum, total energy, electron energy, magnetic field











MHD modeling of rotating arc under restrike mode: dynamics and stability

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Contexte et objectifs

- Developing plasma reactor for syngas production
- Study of Kvaerner torch
- Understand and control arc instabilities under external magnetic field and drag flow

<u>Méthodes:</u>

- MHD model at LTE for hydrogen arc plasma (1 bar, 1000 A)
- Optically thin, laminar, incompressible
- Graphite electrodes incorporated within the computational domain
- Hot gas column reattachment model (arc restrike): local electric field threshold E_b
- Net emission coefficient calculated for H₂ plasma





<u>Résultats</u>

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The external magnet causes the tilting of the stretched arc towards the electrodes surfaces



Figure 5: Time sequence of the PBR arc (side wiew): Hydrogen, 1 bar, 1000 A, $B_r = -4$ mT, $B_z = 40$ mT and $E_b = 1e5$ V/m



(a) hop-off mode



(b) gliding mode



Voltage 1 bar, 1000 A, $E_b = 1e5$ V/m

- Hop-off mode 0,1,2: stretching

- 2 4 Extilting
- 3,4,5: tilting
- 0: restriking
- Restriking where preheated regions
- Gliding mode: lower voltage, hotter

First approach in the calculation of the radiative properties of multi-temperature SF6 plasmas at 1 bar

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Contexte et objectifs

- Extinction of an electric arc in the numerical modelling of high-voltage circuit breakers
- Calculation of two-temperature radiative properties in SF6 plasmas

Méthodes:

- Calculation of plasma composition of 2T-SF6 plasma at 1 bar for different $\theta = T_e/T_h$
- The population of internal energy modes are distributed following two assumptions: case 1: $T_{ex}=T_e$ $T_{vib}=T_e$ $T_{rot}=T_h$ case 2: $T_{ex}=T_h$ $T_{vib}=T_h$ $T_{rot}=T_h$
- Calculation of Net Emission Coefficient separating the contributions of continuum and the lines

• NEC of continuum:
$$\longrightarrow$$
 For electron eq.
 $\varepsilon_N^{cont} = \int_0^\infty B_\lambda (\lambda, \mathbf{T}_e) . \kappa_{cont}' (\lambda, \mathbf{T}_e, \theta) e^{-\kappa'_{tot}(\lambda, T_e, T_g, T_{ex}) . R_p} d\lambda$

• <u>NEC of atomic lines</u>: For heavy part. eq. $\varepsilon_N^{al} = \int_0^\infty B_\lambda (\lambda, \mathbf{T}_{ex}) \cdot \kappa'_{lines} (\lambda, \mathbf{T}_{ex}, \theta) e^{-\kappa'_{tot}(\lambda, T_e, T_g, T_{ex}) \cdot R_p} d\lambda$

By courtesy of Y. Cressault

- Absorption coefficient of the atomic lines depend on broadening processes (Doppler effect, pressure effects, Stark) and either T_e or T_h.
- Absorption coefficient of the atomic continuum depends on T_e (radiative attachment and recombination, Bremsstrahlung)
- Absorption coefficient of the molecular continuum supposed only dependent on wavelength



<u>Résultats</u>



Transport properties of multi-temperature SF6 plasmas: influence of assumptions done in the plasma composition calculation

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Contexte et objectifs

- Extinction of an electric arc in the numerical modelling of high-voltage circuit breakers

- Calculation of plasma composition, thermo, transport properties

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case 1: T_{ex}=T_e T_{vib}=T_e T_{rot}=T_h
case 2: T_{ex}=T_h T_{vib}=T_h T_{rot}=T_h
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3D modelling of a DC transferred arc twin torch plasma system for the synthesis of copper nanoparticles

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Contexte et objectifs

- 3D LTE twin torch model
- Synthesis of copper nanoparticles in argon by evaporation of micrometric solid copper precursors

- Radiative power loss contribution due to the vapour produced in the plasma by the solid precursors : main mechanism limiting the evaporation efficiency

<u>Méthodes:</u>

- 3D, steady, LTE plasma, turbulence (k-ε model), optically thin
- Neglect of Cu vapour on the transport and thermodynamic properties of the gas mixture
- Radiative losses due to copper evaporation
- Equation motion of particles and evaporation of particles
- Vapour conservation equation (diffusion, evaporation, nucleation/condensation)
- Aerosol general gas dynamic equation solved for a particle size distribution

Pure Ar, 10⁵ Pa, 1200 A, Copper mean diameter 7.3 μm, 70mg/s ANSYS FLUENT, 3.8 million cells, current density distribution on the cathode surface and a zero voltage potential on the anode



<u>Résultats</u>

z = 100 mm

Without radiation T>6000 K 100% evaporation With radiation Lower temperature 97% evaporation

Complex fluid dynamics Difficult to efficiently quench the vapor, even at 1000 slm. Small amount of nanoparticles with 14 nm in diameter



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The Motion of AC and DC Plasma Arcs under Transverse Cross-Fields: An Analytical Approach

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Contexte et objectifs

- analytical model of arc in cross-fields (blown arc, under magnetic field- self-induced or external)
- provide basic information about the arc motion
- Comparison of analytical model and MDH simulation (Saturne code)

<u>Méthodes</u>

- Analytical model: negligible radiation and electrode influence, constant arc radius, thermal diffusivity, viscosity, $\sigma = B(S-S_0)$
- Solving the Elenbass-Heller equation in the curvilinear coordinate system using a mathematical formulation of the heat potential for a fully developed arc channel (AC or DC)

 $\frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} + \vec{W} \cdot \vec{\nabla} S \right) = \Delta S + \sigma E^2 \qquad W = V_{gas} - V_{arc}$

- Finding V_{arc} and V_{gas} in Frenet system with and without external and self-induced magnetic field from arc momentum equation
- Determining the cartesian or polar motion equation of the arc (2D planar case)



MHD simulation: Saturne Code, air, 10⁵ Pa, 50 A for AC (50 Hz) and DC cases. V_{in}=1m.s⁻¹

<u>Résultats</u>













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(∭0.005





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	a(mm)	-
$X(m) \times 10^{-3}$	$E(V.m^{-1})$	70
$X(m) \times 10^{-10}$		
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Time-dependent 3D simulation of nanopowder growth and transport in a turbulent field induced by a thermal plasma jet

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Contexte et objectifs

- Thermal plasma processes : high-speed fabrication of nanopowders due to high-temperature field with steep gradients at their fringes
- Growth of nano-scale particles from material vapour
- Considering turbulence : vortices formation and interaction because of fluid dynamic instability
- Modeling the transport of growing nanopowder by vortices

<u>Méthodes</u>

- Transient, 3D simulation of growing nanopowder in a turbulent field
- Plasma: LTE, optically thin, radiative loss, heat generation due to condensation, and viscous dissipation
- Material vapour (Si): homogeneous nucleation, heterogeneous condensation and coagulation between nanoparticles
- Governing equations describing the nanopowder's transport by convection, diffusion and thermophoresis



<u>Résultats</u>



1000 ← → 3500 Temperature (K)



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Nanopowder exhibit complex distributions far from the core of the plasma jet because of the transport in the turbulent field around the plasma

Thermodynamic Nonequilibrium Simulation of an Arc in Crossflow

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Contexte et objectifs

- Plasma applications such as wire-arc spraying and circuit breakers
- Interaction of an electric arc with a stream of cold gas flow perpendicular
- 3D, transient, thermodynamic nonequilibrium plasma flow model

Méthodes:

- an argon arc in crossflow using chemical equilibrium and thermodynamic non-equilibrium (θ =Te/Th)
- fluid and electromagnetic equations in a fully-coupled manner using a Variational Multiscale Finite Element Method (VMS-FEM).
- Cathode current density applied at the cathode boundary follows a Gaussian distribution
- Cathode temperature *Tc c*loser to the melting point of Tungsten
- Anode : exchange coefficient h_W
- Imposed currents 17, 25, 30 and and 34 A



<u>Résultats</u>

- Asymmetry of flow due to cathode jet, diffuse attachment at the anode
 - nonequilibrium upstream and close to the walls
 - Cathode jet



Isosurfaces of heavy species temperature *Th* (*left*), nonequilibrium parameter $\theta = Te/Th$ (*center*), and axial velocity *uz* (right) for imposed currents (a) 17 [A], (b) 25 [A], (c) 30 [A], and (d) 34 [A] depicting the variation in arc shape from bow- to cusp-shape, the predominance of nonequilibrium upstream of the arc, and the cathode jet.

Programme P2-18-7 page 25 Recueil résumé page 720 Poster Numerical study of the non-local chemical equilibrium characteristics in a free-burning argon arc Heng Guo¹, Jian Chen¹, Wen Zhou², Zeng-Yao Li², He-Ping Li¹ ¹Department of Engineering Physics, Tsinghua University, Beijing 100084, P. R. China ²Key Laboratory of Thermal Fluid Science and Engineering, Ministry of Education, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Xi'an 710049, P. R. China

Abstract: A two-temperature non-local chemical equilibrium model is employed to study the chemical processes in a free-burning argon arc. The radial profiles of the temperature ratios (T_e/T_h) from the arc axis to the cold gas region are obtained. The modeling results show that the energy transfer and particle balance processes are coupled strongly; and the chemical processes not only affect the species spatial distributions, but also have great influences on the electron (T_e) and heavy-particle temperature (T_h) distributions.

-Free-bruning argon arc

- 1-D collisionless electrode sheath model
- 2T model θ =Te/Th
- Chemical non-equilibrium
 - $\xi = r_{ioni}/r_{recomb}$



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Modelling of three gas mixtures in gas metal arc welding

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Abstract: The initial simulation using combined diffusion coefficient method is presented to consider three gas mixtures in gas metal arc welding. It focuses on mixing of iron vapour and shielding gas of a mixture of two gases, and two separate equations of conservation of mass fraction for species are required. Results obtained by including and neglecting iron vapour or different shielding gas mixtures are compared. The model could be used for applications of thermal plasmas including three gas mixtures.









Fig. 3. Mass fraction of iron vapour (left) and oxygen in the shielding gas (right) for shielding gas containing (a) 5 mol% oxygen,



Simulation of the Turbulent Flow from a Non-Transferred Arc Plasma Torch

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Abstract: Non-transferred arc plasma torches are at the core of diverse applications such as plasma spray and waste treatment. The flow in these torches transitions from laminar inside the torch to turbulent in the emerging jet. There is no established approach for the modeling and simulation of turbulent plasma flows. The Variational Multiscale-*n* method is presented for the comprehensive modeling of general multiscale transport problems, such as turbulent plasma flows, and applied to the simulation of the flow in an arc plasma torch.



Incompressible turbulent flowin a non-transferred arc jet2T, argon

On the effect of inhomogeneous mixing of plasma species in argon-steam arc discharge

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Contexte et objectifs

Investigation of the effect of mixing of argon, oxygen and hydrogen plasma species on the thermal and fluiddynamic properties of the hybridstabilized argon-water electric arc

<u>Méthodes</u>

- Argon-water plasma at LTE, axisymmetrical2D, turbulent flow (LES), compressible, Large eddy simulation(LES) with the Smagorinsky subgrid-scale model Self-induced magnetic field, radiation losses (partial characteristics method)

- Equation for argon species flux with combined diffusion coefficients (functions of temperature, pressure and argon mass fraction)



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h: homogeneous mixing model Neglects the mixing process argon mass fraction constant within the calculation domain

i: inhomogeneous mixing model considers the mixing process



Validity of the continuum approach in the modelling of very low pressure plasma spraying D. Ivchenko¹, T. Zhang¹, G. Mariaux¹, A. Vardelle¹, S. Goutier¹, T. E. Itina² ¹Université de Limoges, Limoges, France ²Université Jean Monnet, Saint-Étienne, France

Abstract: Plasma Spray Physical Vapor Deposition (PS-PVD) is a rapidly developing technology to producing thick nanostructured coatings with various microstructures. Further enhancement of the technology requires experimental and numerical studies. The commonly used continuum Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) approach, may be doubtful under PS-PVD conditions as the high pressure plasma jet issues in a low pressure (about 100 Pa) chamber. This work aims to compare the predictions of CFD and kinetic simulation for a set of typical PS-PVD operating conditions and investigate the breakdown of the CFD approach.



Plasma temperature Comparison CFD simulation (Fluent) with Direct Simulation Monte-Carlo (Sparta) Programme P1-76-5 page 20 Recueil résumé page 566 Poster

 $P_{Tne,i} = |(T_{Tr} - T_i)/T_{Tr}|$

Model and validation of DC transferred arc with a constricting nozzle

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Abstract: this study deals with the modelling of a transferred arc stabilized by a gas flow parallel to the cathode and a constricting nozzle. It is a step towards the predictive model of a plasma spray torch with a cascaded anode and thus an arc length fixed in a small range of variation. The model solved the heat and electromagnetic equations in the electrodes and gas and, the Navier-Stokes equations in the gas phase. The predictions of arc voltage and heat flux to anode were validated against experimental data. The model predicted correctly the trends with the variation of the operating parameters and the correct heat flux to anode. However, the predicted voltage was about 15 V lower than the experimental one whatever the operating conditions.







Programme P2-36-7 page 26 Recueil résumé page 773 Poster **Thermodynamic and transport properties of nitrogen plasmas mixed with molybdenum vapor** Xiao-Ning Zhang¹, Anthony B. Murphy² ¹Research Centre of Space Basic Science, Harbin Institute of Technology, Harbin, Heilongjiang, China ²CSIRO Manufacturing, PO Box 218, Lindfield NSW, Australia

Abstract: Motivated by the influence of metal-electrode erosion on the performance of high-energy spark gap switches, the thermodynamic and transport coefficients of nitrogen plasmas mixed with molybdenum vapor are studied in this paper. The calculations, which assume local thermodynamic equilibrium, were performed for pressures from 0.1 to 5 atm and for the temperature range 300-30 000 K. Some of the results are compared with those of previously published studies, and the influence of molybdenum vapor is discussed.



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Procédés et mesures

Time-resolved optical and spectroscopic study of the restrike mode in arc plasma torch

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Contexte et objectifs

- Plasma spraying, waste treatment and gasification of organic components syngas (CO + H2)
- Study of restrike mode by time-resolved optical emission spectroscopy and fast imaging
- Temperature measurements during restrike period





<u>Méthodes</u>





Different axial positions of spectrometer slit

Exposure time of fast imaging : 1 μs Exposure of OES :10- 20 μs Spectra integrated line-of-sight and radially

By courtesy of A. Mašláni

- Spectral window containing H β and four ArII lines
- LTE composition of H₂O-Ar plasma
- Ratio $H\beta$ /Arll is very sensitive to temperature



<u>Résultats</u>





Experimental conditions

- Arc current (DC) 500 A
- Arc voltage ~ 280 V
- Arc power ~ 140 kW
- Argon flow rate 12 slm

• Arc column surrounded by water vortex - water evaporation rate ~ 0.3 g/s

Nozzle diameter 6 mm

Temperature increases with

arc attachment approaching

to the entrance slit

• Anode – rotating copper disc (thickness 16 mm, diameter 180 mm) 3 mm from the nozzle horizontally and 2 mm vertically





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High-speed visualization of erosion phenomena of tungsten-based electrode in multiphase AC arc

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- Study of Multi-phase AC arc (MPA) for powder processing (nanopowder production, in-flight glass-melting technology)
- Improve electrode lifetime and purity of the products

Méthodes:





High speed visualization of W vapor (393 nm) and La vapor (577 nm) during AC period
Current 80-120 A



(220 V, AC 60Hz)

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- Evaporation of W electrode mainly observed at the anodic period

- W ions near the electrode tip return back to the electrode side due to electric field

 Higher evaporation as current increases and evaporation starts earlier during AC period

La evaporation starts before W
 (lower boiling point for La oxide than W)

La evaporation increases plasma
 electrical conductivity resulting in an
 increase of heat flux => W evaporation

Improvement of electrode erosion characteristics in diode-rectified multiphase AC arc

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Contexte et objectifs

- Study of Multi-phase AC arc (MPA) for in-flight glass-melting technology
- Electrode erosion depends on material properties and arc current period (tungsten cathode, copper anode)
- Improve electrode lifetime and purity of the products by means of Diode-Rectified MPA

<u>Méthodes:</u>





schematic of electrode configuration for MPA (b) and DRMPA (c)

Schematic electric circuits for conventional MPA (a) and innovative DRMPA (b).

$$V_{i}^{N} = V_{m}^{N} sin\left(\frac{\omega t - 2\pi(i-1)}{12}\right)$$
 (220 V, AC 60Hz)

- Fast imaging (10⁴ f/s)

- Two color pyrometry by using high-speed camera with band-pass filters (785-880 nm)

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Band-pass Filter (λ_1)

Résultats

(a)	0.0 ms	1.0 ms	2.1 ms	3.1 ms	4.2 ms	5.2 ms	6.3 ms	7.3 ms
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(b)	0.0 ms	1.0 ms	2.1 ms	3.1 ms	4.2 ms	5.2 ms	6.3 ms	7.3 ms
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	8.4 ms	9.4 ms	10.5 ms	11.5 ms	12.6 ms	13.6 ms	14.7 ms	15.7 ms
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Fig. 3. High-speed snapshots of MPA (a) and DRMPA (b) during an AC cycle.



Fig. 4. Existence time of MPA (a) and DRMPA (b) during an AC cycle.

- MPA: arc constriction at electrode : anodic/cathodic jets
- DRMPA anode was not constricted: low evaporation of copper (high thermal conductivity of copper anode)
- Larger plasma volume with DRMPA
- Lower erosion with DRMAP

2.0

0.0

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DRMAP tungsten electrode temperature lower than melting point



Fig. 7. Time variation of tungsten electrode temperature during an AC cycle (a) and corresponding waveforms of arc current (b).

DC arc plasma torch in pulsed mode: *Properties and application to plasma spraying of liquid feedstock*

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Contexte et objectifs

- Plasma spraying of liquid feedstock in pulsed mode
- Improve heat and momentum transfers to liquid and coating properties
- influence of arc current modulation
- Study of plasma properties and coating elaboration

<u>Méthodes:</u>

- Application of arc current modulation
- Electrical and acoustical characterization
- Time-resolved end-on imaging of the arc inside the channel and time-resolved OES

 $I(t) = I_0(1 + \alpha \sin(2\pi f_0 t))$

- Synchronous injection of solution precursors (aluminum nitrate) : Imaging +OES
- Elaboration of aluminum oxide coatings (material characterizations)







<u>Résultats</u>

Time-resolved end-on imaging





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Influence of synchronous injection





Aluminum oxide coatings



Two-dimensional distribution of Ti vapor admixture ratio and Ti atomic density in the Ar ICTP torch during Ti feedstock injection

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Contexte et objectifs

- Materials processing (nanomaterial synthesis or surface modification) by means of inductively coupled thermal plasma (ICTP)

- Experimental investigation on feedstock evaporation and spatial/temporal measurement of feedstock vapor during material processing using ICTPs (synthesis of TiO2 nanoparticles)

Méthodes:

- Spatio-temporal distribution of Ti excitation temperature, Ti vapor admixture ratio and number densities of Ti atoms and electrons during Ti feedstock injection into the Ar ICTP torch (LTE assumption)

- Continuous or intermittent injection of Ti feedstock

Observation area	$44 \times 55 \text{ mm}^2$ region below the coil end
Diffraction grating	1200 grooves · mm ⁻¹
Wavelength resolution	0.8 nm
Spectral lines observed	Ti I (453.32 nm) and Ti I (521.04 nm) Ar I (811.53 nm)
Frame rate for high speed video camera	1000 fps



- Measurement of Ti excitation temperature estimated by two-line method I(Ti@453nm)/I(Ti@521nm)
- Calculation of Ar-Ti plasma composition (%molTi) and ϵ (Ti@521nm)/ ϵ (Ar@811nm)

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Comparison with measurements of I(Ti@521nm)/I(Ar@811nm)



Plasma Torch Optimisation by Additive Manufacturing of Components

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Contexte et objectifs

- Improve arc stability in dc non-transferred arc plasma torch
- Reduce heat losses to the electrode walls
- Conventional use of swirl injection of plasma forming gases
- Optimization of the gas swirl injection

<u>Méthodes</u>

- Comparison between conventional injection ring (spinner) and an optimized one obtained by additive manufacturing
- Titanium alloy Ti6Al4V
- Direct Metal Laser Sintering (EOS M280)

Spinner	Numb hol	er of es	Size of holes [mm]	
	4	6	2	1
Spinner 1	Х		х	
Spinner 2		Х		х
Standard spinner	Х		х	





Optimized spinner

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<u>Résultats</u>

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Pure N₂ plasma



Voltage Fluctuation of A Few kW Class Non-Transferred DC Plasma Torch

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Arc voltage's characteristics of a few kW class, non-transferred direct current plasma torch with argon gas were examined for arc currents of 30 to 100 A and gas volume flow rates of 30 to 50 slm. Measurement results of arc voltages showed that an average arc voltage decreases with increasing arc currents and it increases with increasing gas volume flow rates. In addition, a distinctive high frequency component of arc voltage is shifted to a much higher frequency side by increasing arc currents and gas volume flow rates.

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Characteristics of aerodynamically dispersed arc in a converging-diverging nozzle Recueil résumé page 694 Heji Huang ^{1, 2}, Wenxia Pan ^{1, 2}, Xian Zhou¹, Lewen Chen¹, Chengkang Wu ^{1, 2} Poster ¹ The State Key Laboratory of High Temperature Gas Dynamics, Institute of Mechanics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing China ² School of Engineering Science, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing 100049, China

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Abstract: A converging-diverging nozzle facilitates aerodynamic expansion of the anode arc attachment for a direct current non-transferred plasma. Preliminary experimental and simulation study on the temperature, velocity, pressure and optical emission distributions of the aerodynamically dispersed arc in the nozzle was conducted. The results show that the flow is in subsonic region with considerable compressibility. P1 P2 P3 P4 P5



Investigation of thermal plasma of electric arc discharge between composite C–Cu electrodes

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Contexte et objectifs

- Study of erosion contact surface of pantograph
- Graphite-copper electrodes

Méthodes et résultats:

- Determination of radial distribution of temperature in arc column plasma by means of Boltzmann plot
- Measurements electric field based on modulation of discharge gap Interelectrode distance varied periodically with a frequency of 25 Hz using a specially designed device (electromechanical modulator)





cathode d=6mm 8 mm TDC 46 BDC anode 25 Hz

LTE plasma composition Air-C-Cu

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Solution precursor vacuum plasma spray of superhydrophobic ceramic coatings

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Abstract: We studied a novel solution precursor vacuum plasma spray (SPVPS) process, which combines vacuum plasma spray and solution precursor to deposit superhydrophobic coatings. Ytterbium nitrate pentahydrate dissolved in water and/or ethanol mixture was used as solution precursors. Ytterbium oxide coatings were formed by injecting radially the solution into the low-pressure plasma jet generated by a commercial F4-VB torch (Oerlikon Metco) operated in a low-pressure (about 150 mbar) chamber with air as ambient gas. The coatings hydrophobicity was characterized by measuring the water contact and sliding angles. The microstructure and morphology of the cross section and top surface of the

Current, Voltage	700 A, 60-61 V
Plasma gas	50Ar10H ₂ LPM
Solution injection	Radial injection via a 150 µm ID orifice
Solution feed rate	19-28 g/min
Standoff distance	90, 100, 110 and 120 mm
Operation pressure	150-160 mbar
Torch motion	The relative transverse speed was 1 m/s. The vertical step size was 5 mm. The total pass number was 15.

coatings were also investigated.





Effect of current changes on interacting arc structures in a twin-cathode DC electric arc furnace D. Burkat¹, S.Coulombe¹

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Abstract: The structures of interacting arcs forming in a twin-cathode DC electric arc furnace are being investigated using high-speed imaging combined with current and voltage measurements. An image analysis program was developed to classify each frame into one of the two structures: separated or merged arcs on the common anode. The effect on the arcs' structure of suddenly doubling the current through one arc from its nominal value of 50 A was investigated for increasingly large cathode-anode distances. For low cathode-anode distance (lower than 2.50 cm as studied in this work), the sudden current increase led to an increased time the arcs spent in a merged structure, in accordance with the increased Lorentz force-induced interactions.











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Large amount synthesis of Si nanopowder/nanowires using pulse-modulated induction thermal Plasmas

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Abstract: Large amounts of Si nanoparticles (NPs) / nanowires (NWs) were synthesized using 20 kW Ar-H₂ pulse-modulated induction thermal plasmas (PMITP). Silicon NPs were synthesized by intermittently injecting Si feedstock at <4 g/min into the PMITP with quenching gas (QG), whereas Si NWs were found to be synthesized with Si feedstock at a heavy load feed rate ~7 g/min without QG. Synthesized products were analyzed using FE-SEM, BET, BF-TEM/EDX and XRD. The production rate of Si NWs was estimated as >1 g/h.



Injected feedstock Si powder 19.2 μm





Si nanoparticles 120 g/h

Si nanowires 1g/h

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A plasma process in the preparation of Li₂S for lithium-ion battery applications

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Abstract: Plasma technologies are nowadays considered for the development of better performing and more affordable energy storage devices such as the lithium- ion batteries (LIB). Their versatility allows the synthesis of nanostructured electrodes with different morphologies and coatings of carbon or metal oxides, thin films, etc. Herein, we highlight the key advantages of their use in LIB technology and we introduce the synthesis of the promising cathode material Li₂S by means of inductively coupled thermal plasma.



Powdered precursors: LiOH·H2O and S

Parameter	Gas (Lmin ⁻¹)
Sheath	Ar (80)
	$H_2(1.7)$
Central	Ar (23)
Powder	Ar (20)



XRD pattern b)

a

Intensity (a.u)

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Role of hydrogen in high-yield growth of boron nitride nanotubes at atmospheric pressure by induction thermal plasma

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Abstract: Recently, we demonstrated scalable manufacturing of boron nitride nanotubes (BNNTs) directly from h-BN powder by using induction thermal plasma with a high-yield rate approaching to 35 g/h (Kim *et al.*, ACS Nano **8**. p.6211, 2014). The main finding was that the presence of hydrogen is crucial for the high-yield growth of BNNTs at atmospheric pressure. Here we investigate the detailed role of hydrogen using numerical modelling and *in-situ* optical emission spectroscopy (OES) and reveal that, in the presence of hydrogen, both the thermo-fluidic fields and chemical pathways are significantly altered in favour of rapid growth of BNNTs.



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Performance of Low-Power Ammonia Arcjet Thruster

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Abstract: A low-power arcjet thruster of 100W-class with natural-radiation-cooled nozzle can be stably operated using ammonia propellant. Thruster performance and discharge characteristics have been systematically studied. Experimental results show that the maximum specific impulse of the thruster is up to 300s, the arc voltage can exceed 600V, and the discharge shows falling volt-ampere characteristics.



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Using Oscillated Arc Discharge at Solid/Liquid Interface for Linearly Growth of Ni-Cu Filled Carbon Nano/Micro-Tubes

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Abstract: We report on a growth technique of carbon nano/micro-tubes whose core spaces were filled with Ni-Cu alloy nanowire using oscillated arc discharge pyrolysis at solid/liquid interface. SEM image around the carbon-deposited area where are top of sector-shape Ni-Cu foil shows the lot of linearly and long ($20 \mu m - 50 \mu m$) CNTs. TEM observation reveals fully Ni-Cu filled CNTs shows homogeneously, linearly, and clearly graphene layers.

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Environnement

Combustion of organics liquids wastes with a submerged thermal plasma ELIPSE process

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Contexte et objectifs

- Organic liquid incineration process (called ELIPSE process) with a non-transferred plasma torch working under water
- The objective is to treat a wide variety of organic liquids which are difficult to incinerate by conventional techniques
- Example : combustion of a mixture TBP (TriButyl phosphate)/dodecane without radioelements TBP/dodecane : mixture used in the chemical Process PUREX (Plutonium Uranium Redox EXtraction) used to purify nuclear fuel

<u>Méthodes:</u>

- Evolution of power balance during treatment of TBP/dodecance mixture at variable feeding rates

 Evolution of the concentration of CO2 versus time from different TBP/dodécane feeding rate (Infrared absorption to measure CO and CO2 at the outlet of the condenser in a real time) Programme U-2-10 page 34 Recueil résumé page 973 Oral





<u>Résultats</u>

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45 kW, Ar (30 slm) O2 (200 slm)



Power balance during treatment of TBP/dodecane mixture at variable feeding rates



Evolution of the concentration of CO2 versus time for different TBP/dodecane feeding rate

Measurement of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) in the residual solution

$$n_{TBP/dodecane} = \frac{c_i - c_f}{c_i}$$

$$c_i : \text{ initial TOC}$$

$$c_f: \text{ final TOC}$$

$$n_{TBP/dodecane} = 99.90 \pm 0.3\%$$

Degradation of phenol by a submerged DC non-transferred arc plasma jet

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Contexte et objectifs

- Phenolic compounds: product of chemical industry
- Pollutant difficult to degrade due to the high salinity, high acidity, high chemical oxygen demand (COD) and low biodegradability of the wastewater containing phenolic compounds
- Use of submerged dc arc plasma torch

Méthodes:

- On-line measurement of phenol degradation as function of time-treatment and input energy per volume of treated wastewater (kJ/L)
- gas chromatography mass spectrometry with FID detector (Flame Ionization Detector)
- pH and electrical conductivity of treated water

- Chemical Oxygen Demand COD (mg/L): the amount of oxygen consumed in total chemical oxidation of the organic constituents present in the water. COD decreases with treatment.

- Use of COD photometer: photometric detection employing a linear relationship between absorbance and concentration

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Schematic diagram of submerged arc plasma jet

<u>Résultats</u>

DC arc, 1.6 kW, N2 (10 slm)

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Conversion of a lignite into a synthetic gas using water-stabilized plasma torch

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Contexte et objectifs

- Plasma treatment of an organic waste using water stabilized plasma torch
- Production of syngas by decomposition of lignite

- Lignite: a fossilized wood, nonhydrolysable complex organic compound, contains high amount of water and unsuitable for energy obtaining by usual combustion.

<u>Méthodes:</u>

- High feeding rates of lignite particles (30-60 kg/h)
- Methane injection
- Measurement of gas composition by mass spectrometry analysis





Table 2. Feed material chemical composition.

Experiment	H ₂ (%)	C (%)	O (%)
1	40.5	24.5	35
2	42.8	25.3	31.9
3	42.7	25.7	31.6
4	40.3	25	34.7
5	40.3	25	34.7
6	42.6	25.8	31.6
7	42.5	26.2	31.3
8	44.5	26.8	28.7
9	40.1	25.5	34.4

<u>Résultats</u>

400 A
114 - 131 kW
30 and 60 kg
<100 mkm and >100 mkm
Ar (argon)
CH ₄ (methane)
75 and 150 slm





Concentration H2+CO > 80 %



Ratio of calorific value of the syngas to full torch power and to the energy expended in the combustion process

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Synthesis of Carbon Blacks from HDPE plastic by 3-phase AC thermal plasma

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Abstract: This paper reviews the last results obtained on the 3-phase AC plasma technology developed at the Centre PERSEE, MINES ParisTech, PSL for the treatment of domiciliary and industrial wastes for nanomaterial synthesis with a special focus on preliminary results obtained for the production of carbon blacks from plastics (HDPE pellets). Carbon blacks obtained from HDPE have shown a highly nanostructured organization very similar to those of acetylene black.

Plasma gas



3-phase AC plasma powe 600 Hz, 0-400 A, 263 kV/	er supply A maximum p	ower	
Property	Unit	Value	
Average Power	kW	50	
Average Current	А	220	Growing
Average Voltage	V	175	
Plasma gas flowrate (N ₂)	$Nm^3.h^{-1}$	2	Gas + 1
Carrier gas flowrate (N ₂)	$Nm^3.h^{-1}$	2	Quenching Chamber
HDPE Flowrate	Kg.h ⁻¹	0.25	

High density Polyethylene





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Abstract: Reactions of methane with water and CO_2 in steam plasma flow were studied for the torch power 88 to 136 kW and methane flow rates 75 to 150 slm. The output H₂/CO ratio could be adjusted by a choice of feed rates of input reactants in the range 1.1 to 3.4. Depending on experimental conditions the conversions of methane was up to 99.5%, the selectivity of H₂ was up to 99.9%, and minimum energy needed for production of one mole of hydrogen was 158 kJ/mol. Effect of conditions on process characteristics was studied.



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Phénomènes aux électrodes

Experimental Observation of Macro-particles Behaviours in High-current Vacuum Arc

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Abstract: In this paper, macro-particles (MPs) behaviours are observed by high-speed camera. From a series of clear images, the behaviours of MPs from cathode and melting old anode (new cathode) are investigated respectively. Some MPs from cathode move toward anode and others toward radial vacuum environment. MPs located in the center positions of electrode have smaller velocities, on the contrary, MPs near to arc edge have larger radial and axial velocities, maximum radial and axial velocities reaches to about 13m/s and 7.5m/s respectively. MPs located in different electrode positions have different velocity characteristics. Separation phenomena of MPs also have been observed. The diameters of MPs from anode melting pool (AMP) are bigger than that from cathode. Due to the swirl effect of AMP and motion inertia, MPs from AMP will continue rotating and reach vacuum environment and seldom reach other electrode. When the current zero lasts for a long time, the MP velocity is smaller (about 0.7m/s) than that with short current zero time. The MPs should be in part responsible for the re-ignition of vacuum arc and failure of vacuum interruption





Fig.4 MPs behavior tracking before and after current zero moment (D = 58mm; h = 16mm; I = 20kA (rms); Cu electrode)

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Features of Cathode Spotless Inter-Electrodes Plasma Appeared in Low Vacuum Arc during Removal of Oxide Layer from Steel Surface

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Abstract: Cathode spotless inter-electrodes plasma, which appears in low vacuum arc removal treatment of oxide layer from steel surface plate, is experimentally investigated. That plasma can be sustained even when most part of cathode surface facing the anode is insulated. Colour of that plasma changes depending upon the gas introduced into the inter-electrodes region during discharge.

Descaling experiments
Steel plate 100 mm²
covered with 5µm-thick
oxide layer
P=10 Pa

- Electrode gap 40-50 mm
- 50-120 A

- Zinc wire to initiate the discharge





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Emission Spectroscopy of Atmospheric-Pressure Ball Plasmoids: Higher Energy Reveals Rich Chemistry

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Abstract: Ball plasmoid discharges have lifetimes of hundreds of milliseconds at ambient conditions, however, the mechanism(s) by which these plasmoids are stabilized remains unknown. We report an analysis of ball plasmoids using optical emission spectroscopy. The spectra presented here are obtained at higher energies and as a result are much more complex than what has previously been reported for this system. These data are guiding detailed investigations into the physicochemical processes by which ball plasmoids are stabilized.





Fig. 1. High-speed images of single plasmoid discharge obtained with Phantom v5.2 camera at 1000 fps.

(5-8 kV, tens of Amps)

http://www.balllightning.narod.ru/



