

Transient Thermal Observation for Casting of Assembly of Aluminum Alloy with Sand Mold & Mullite Mold

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In this analysis simulation in two dimension for solidification of aluminum alloy with greensand AI50/60 (AFS) & with mullite mold by finite element method and ANSYS software has been done for its thermophysical properties of sand and mullite taken dependent on temperature but aluminum alloy properties are constant along convection heat transfer taken in consideration on mold external surface due to dependency of properties of mold on temperature. For this the problem modelling have non-linear equation. Effect of heat transfer shown in two-dimension with thermal gradient, effect of thermal flux and convergence curves that control the feasibility of Newton-Rapson algorithm process.

Due to complex physics concept in applied in whole process of casting there are various parameter to control the perfection of casting. Mold design also matter which to be optimize. A methodology developed on optimization technique of cavity wall & cavity-cavity gap for casting to find a proper layout and the number of cavity in a mold .We done observation on heat transfer process in the casting .Resistant within casting due to solidified metal , metal mold interface and the mold have major part in thermal resistant & the liquid & surrounding of the mold have very low participation which can be neglect. Resistant due to air gap in between solidify metal & mold also having major impact on casting microstructure & quality of casting it is a great resistant for heat transfer . In this paper we understand phenomena involved solidification of casting , to find the several parameters which affect solidification of casting & interrelation between these parameter . a mathematical model also developed to get correct understanding of the heat dissipation in the casting finally applied the ANSYS to get correct understanding. The effect of different-different mold on the heat distribution is main work done here to get a good casting for a specific purpose. Here temperature variation in the aluminum casting & mold during solidification process studied.

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INTRODUCTION:

Metal Casting : To get a sound quality in a casting we should know about

- How to Prepare a mold and pattern,
- Method to pour liquefied metal
- Process involve in Solidification then reached at the temperature of room
- method of checking for perfection level.

Mold Selection

Generally permanent metal mold or expandable and refractory mold used Dies which is generally metal mold to prepare product in die casting has various constraints

Mold design: Use to reduce number of molding operations along with reduction of sand consumption. All above mentioned objectives can be found with use of numbers of molds with two or large number of patterns should be coupled to feed it by same sprue and same feed process: doing this we find

- (i) Good utilization of mold
- (ii) Better yield ratio
- (iii) Less production time for a casting

Casting

solidification: Process of Solidification for castings starts by the formation of crystal on walls of mold just from liquid metal poured, due to its formation of thin solid metal layer started, increase in thickness in this layer proceeds solidification.

Heat transfer mechanisms: Mechanics of heat transfer taken place by conduction, convection, radiation, boiling and condensation in this conduction, convection and radiation having major part

(i) Conduction: In metal casting, conduction heat transferred taken place in the metal which is solidifying and the casting mold.

This heat transfer occurs in two states one is steady and other is transient. Here conduction through transient has major domination

conduction heat generally get
 $Q = KA(\Delta T)/t$ (1)

(ii) Radiation: besides conduction a form of energy transfer occurs in a casting, this can be also transferred by a vacuum. In this mechanism transfer taken place by electromagnetic radiation, that is known as thermal radiation. This takes place

At mold's external layer and in interface of mold and casting

Transfer of energy in this is
 $Q = \epsilon_1 A_1 \sigma (T_s^4 - T_\infty^4)$ (2)

Where
 ϵ_1 = Emissivity of the surface
 σ = Stefan-Boltzmann constant
 $= 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}^4$

T_s = Mold Surface Temperature

T_∞ = Ambient Temperature

(iii) Convection: Convection heat transfer taken place in casting at

- 1. within liquid metal heat transfer
- 2. Heat lost at mold outer surface
- 3. At interface of mold and metal

A assumption that transfer of heat by from external area of mold taken place through natural convection as well as radiation. The heat transfer :

$Q = hA(T_s - T_\infty)$ (3)

Where
 Q = Heat flow through convection
 h = Convective Heat Transfer Coefficient
 A = Surface Area through which heat is flowing

T_s = Mold Surface Temperature

T_∞ = Ambient Temperature

LITERATURE REVIEW:

Qiao et al. observed that corrosion as well as breakdown may be also taken place because of high speed, high temperature in the molten metal. For prevention of its analysis of

flow and heat transfer should be done during the packing stage of the cast. There is shorter solidification time for thin component as compared to thick component. Physical and mechanical properties of finished components for analysis aspects include nucleation density, grain size, the more adequate for filling the nucleation density larger but grain size smaller, directly determines it.

Pariona et al. Sand system cooling process was slower as compared of mullite system. Its mean gradient of temperature in mullite is small as compared to sand. It happens in lowest temperature region of the casting at which solidification begins.

Mechanical properties of casting also affected by energy degradation by mold to environment. In the process of convergence mold made of mullite requires a no of iterations, reason behind it that it achieved lower temperatures as compared to sand system, within the equal solidification time. From cooling curves, at various points in mold made of sand it is found that it presented phase changes, but at same time it didn't happen in the mullite system. **Prabhu et al.** They find that the peak mold temperature increased with casting thickness because of its higher heat content. Stable solid shell formed and this formation resultant, heat flux transients showing a peak that have higher thermal conductivity larger than the liquid metal before getting of the peak contact with the mold wall. Obtained very high with in case of thin mold values of heat flux transients having large value cause mold distortion because of thermal stresses.

Seetharamul et al. From this research we find that A single cooling environment over solidification period exists for a static casting but there is different environment mold, sprays, pinch rolls contact, radiation in continuous cast

section encounters prior completion of solidification. Due to regular change of zone in continuous casting it has good thermal stresses as compared to ingot casting.

Continuous cast section, also stressed due to pinch rolls, bending and straightening operations during solidification mold oscillation. At wide faces of large slabs ferrostatic pressure produce huge stress cause bulging.

Cervera et al. they observed conditions of mold and casting with aspects of thermo-mechanical, here assumption taken that normal pressure along with mechanical gaps affects heat flux and division of governing equations used to get solution with a fraction step method.

Vijayaram et al. They did Solidification simulation of casting that give information about temperature contours, time-temperature data, locations of hotspot, latent heat of fusion and solidification time degree of recalescence.

Canales et al. The temperature, not affected either by silicon or iron at which formation of complex Al-Si-Cu-Mg eutectic is taken place is unaffected by either silicon or iron. Because of presence of modifying effect of manganese in the experimental heat the iron rich intermetallic were of the α - type.

Kang et al. They find advantage of computer simulation of die design and compared it with the traditional process which performed by designer's experience and trial and error. From traditional die design they made casting of semisolids. They find defects shapes at surface of the semi-solid cylinder block. By computer simulation die gate system evaluated to get parts which don't have any defects was realized. Heat transfer is taken majorly in thermal system, neglecting effect of natural convection. In this research study effect on solidification rate by natural convection of liquid water is done.

Simulation of the latent heat release is done through apparent capacity method.

Prashant et al. They find that effective modulus of neck is always more than calculated modulus. There is strong possibility that neck modulus may be more than reverse feeding and feeder modulus from casting to feeder that results shrinkage of porosity in the casting.

Sergey et al. numerical results Comparison done here to get experiment result which show that the formulated model gives a solution which is acceptable accurate despite some uncertainty in material properties along with boundary and initial conditions.

Das et al. they find that in mullite mold there is less thermal stress as compare to sand mold. If we take composite of sand-mullite the observation shown that least shrinkage in it and shrinkage for casting also less. But stress due to temperature in this is higher as compare of mullite mold. So a future work to optimize can be done as to get good combination of mold materials .

Objectives:

Detail observation of the physics of the solidification process of casting, parameters influence solidification process of & Study the inter-relationship of these parameters and their collective influence on the solidification process of castings.

Methodology:

casting object as well as mold design in this paper is taken by M. M. Pariona and A. C. Mossi's paper [3]. In this research paper A. C. Mossi and M. M. Pariona chose cast object of channel shaped which was made by casting process of pure iron.

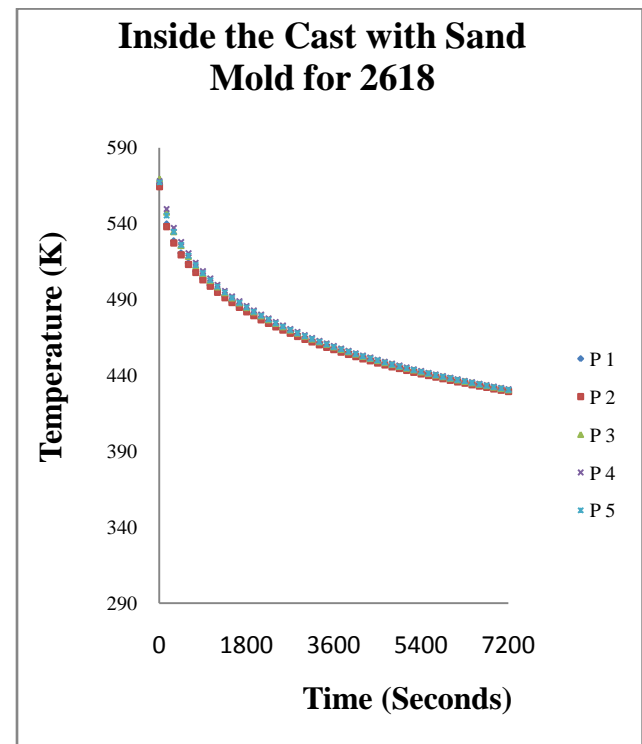
Calculation of solidification time of a casting is done with the help of temperature profile of mold. We taken the properties of aluminium which is variable with temperature. With the help of thermal conductivity and enthalpy which are Temperature dependent properties of

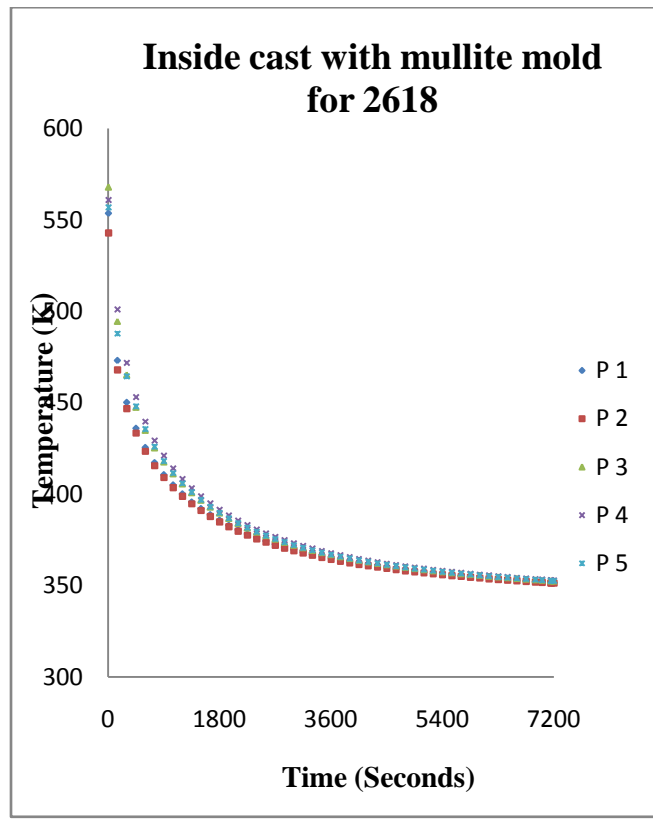
material heat transfer during phase change is determined.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

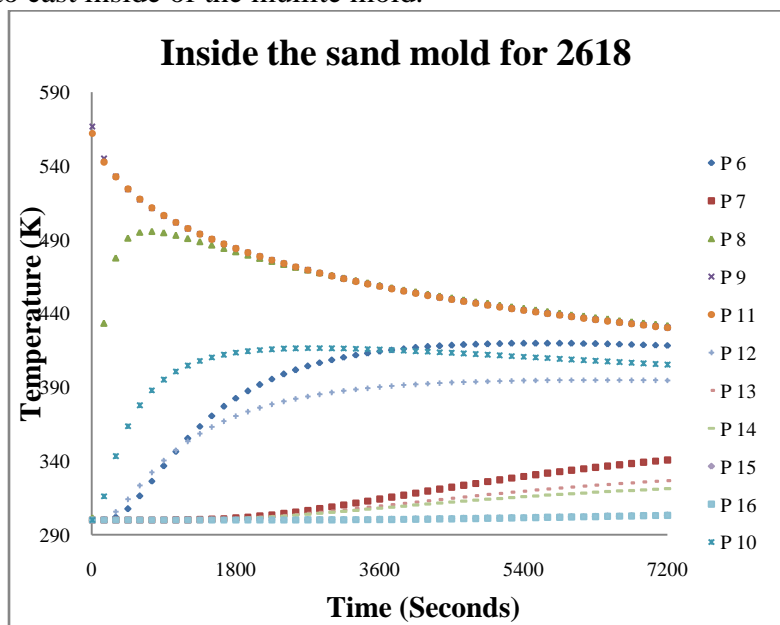
In this observation we took a fix timing for study of solidification behavior of sand and mullite mold for 7200 sec to get complete understanding of dispersal of temperature, thermal gradient, heat flux, cooling curves for casting as well as behavioral changes at the time of cooling and heating within mold for casting aluminum alloy.

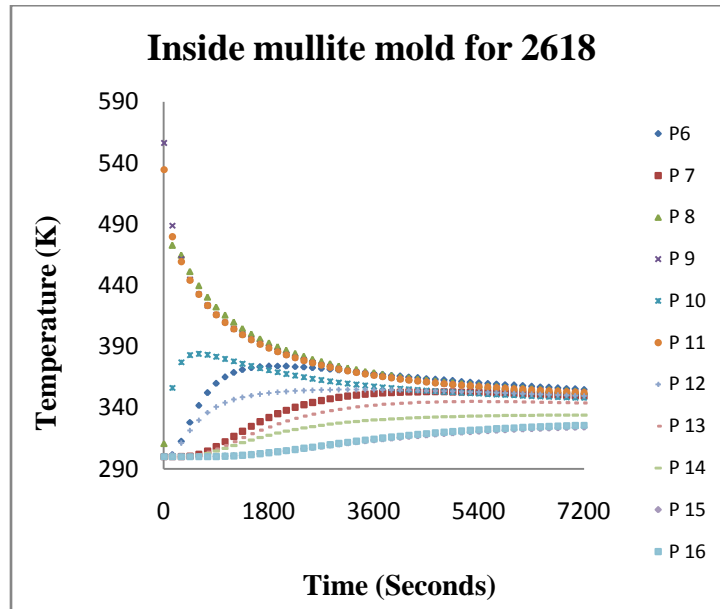
In this study the convection process that taken place through the mold in environment was also include. Temperature variation in sand mold is between 303K and 431K which is 343K and 378K, for mullite, for the sand mold wide temperature variation occur. thermal flow having highest value for the point where temperature dispersal is minimum, because this is the point where solidification begins.



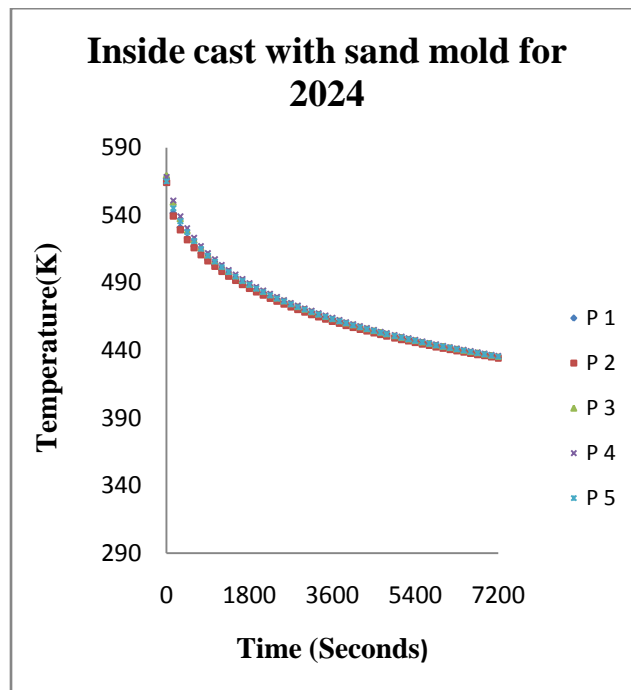


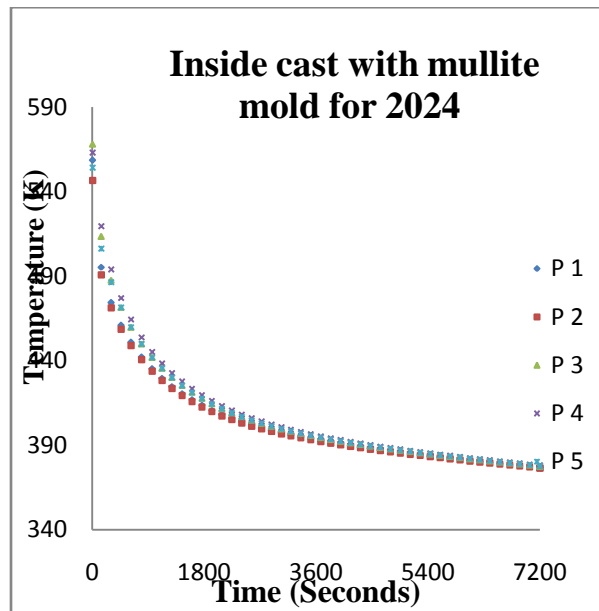
Uniformity of Slope of cooling curve for cast in sand mold shows that solidification taken place very slowly than to cast inside of the mullite mold.



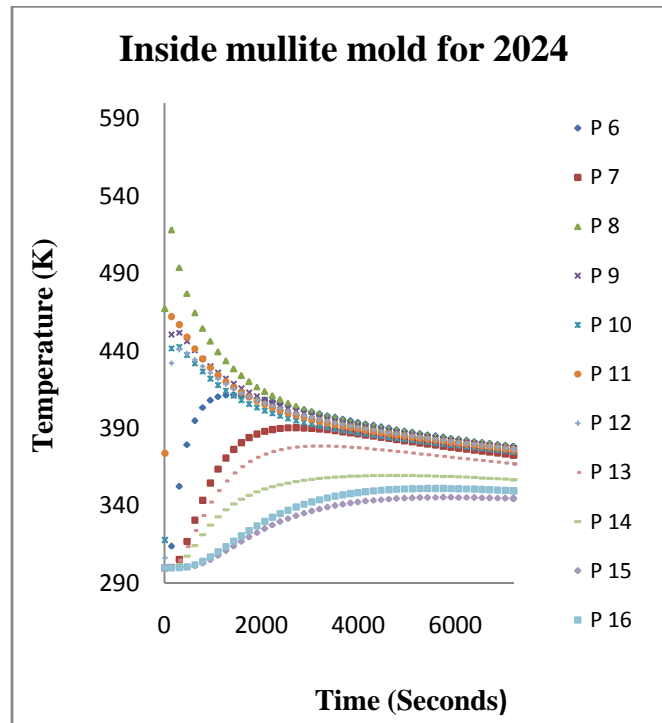


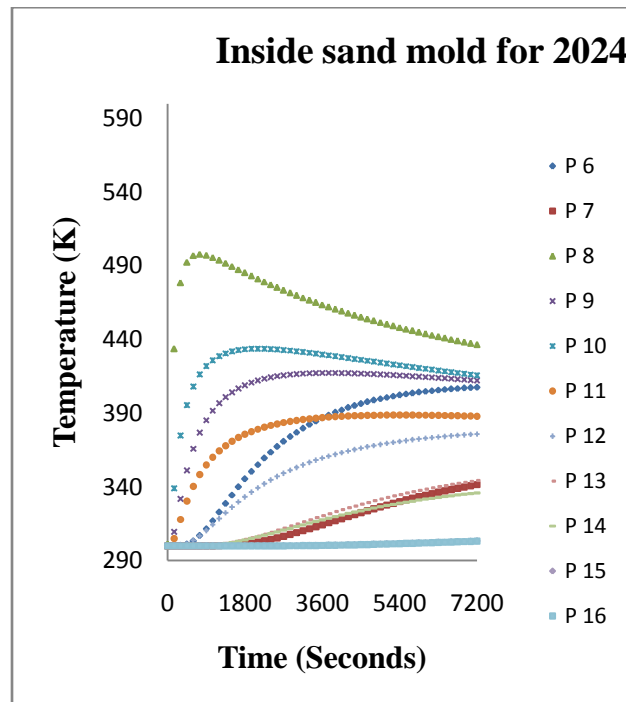
It observed in both systems, cooling curves converts but it is faster in case of the mullite mold. heating and cooling curves for mullite is more than sand this indicate addition heat transfer in mullite.





Steepness of cooling curve for cast in sand mold is uniform, showing slow solidification with respect to cast inside of the mullite mold.





Due to sudden temperature decrement and increment shows an emphasized drop, with compare to the sand mold. In heating curves the mullite molding are presented with points P14, P15, and P16 reason behind it that the location of these points are at a considerable distance from the casting. And other side, cooling curve inside the mullite mold does not exist.

CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE SCOPE:

solidification of Aluminium alloys casting with use of numeric simulation done in this study for sand and mullite mold for a period of 2hrs. variation for thermal gradient, heat transfer, as well as thermal flow, the temperature at various places observed. The outcomes were different very marginal in these systems. Because of different physical properties for different molds.

Sand system shows slower cooling rate within as compare to mullite system. Result of that thermal flow rate in sand system is higher it mean thermal gradient is

also higher than in the mullite. It occurs mostly in cold zone of casting, at solidification starts.

It was conjointly found out that within the convergence method the mullite system required more number of iteration variety, most likely as a result it reached at the temperature below than that of sand system throughout an equivalent time of solidification within the cooling graph at many points of the sand system, showing phase change, which is failed to be happen within the mullite system, this development are often described by the very fact that within sand system cooling rate is slower as compare to mullite system. Presumably within the sand system the diffusion development prevails. the mechanical properties majorly depend on cooling behaviour because it decide the grain size on which properties dependent, hence attributable to the small grain size of metal formed in mullite system, this type of mold shows higher mechanical properties. Conjointly process of heating as well as

cooling observed in details, shown the rapid cooling as well as rapid heating takes place but in both sand and mullite system we get only converge curves

Future scope:

Observation of heat transfer in interfaces of casting with the consideration temperature dependent effect. Present this observation has it's limitation to ferrous sand casting.

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