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# „FAST/SPS of hBN/TiB<sub>2</sub> Composites“

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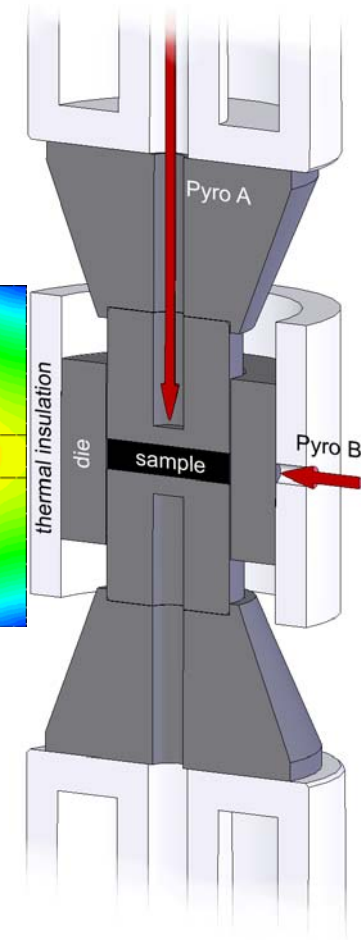
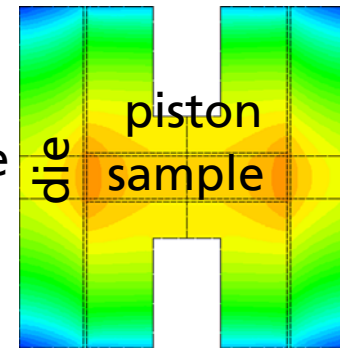
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# Motivation

## Temperature measurements during FAST/SPS:

- Possibilities
  - TC, Pyrometer, melting point calibration, IR-camera
- Influenced by
  - Place of measurement, Temperature
  - Tool design (die thickness, thermal insulation,...)
  - Electrical resistivity of sample
- Effects
  - “low temperature sintering” by FAST/SPS in literature



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## Motivation

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### Electrically conductive composites

- Composition close to percolation threshold
  - Small change in composition → large change in resistivity
  - “Sintering behavior”, thermal conductivity, heat capacity nearly constant
- Advantages
  - Observation of temperature differences only dependent on volume change (sample consolidation) and/or electrical resistivity

→ Observation of temperature differences between two pyrometers

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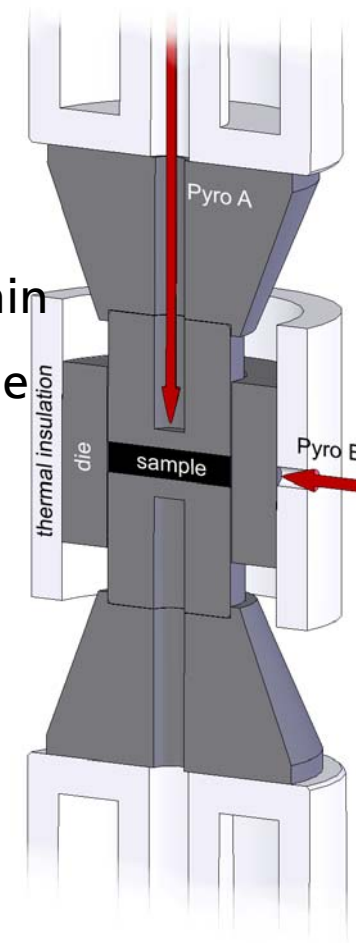
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## Experimental/ Results

### Investigation on hBN/TiB<sub>2</sub> composites

- FAST/SPS FCT HPD 25/1, two pyrometers
  - Sample  $\varnothing$ 40mm, sample height 5mm
  - 1900°C, 50MPa, 5min isothermal dwell time, 100K/min
  - 1st run sample, 1st run and 2nd run on same sample
- Measurements
  - Density, electrical resistivity
- Three compositions of hBN/TiB<sub>2</sub> composites [vol%]

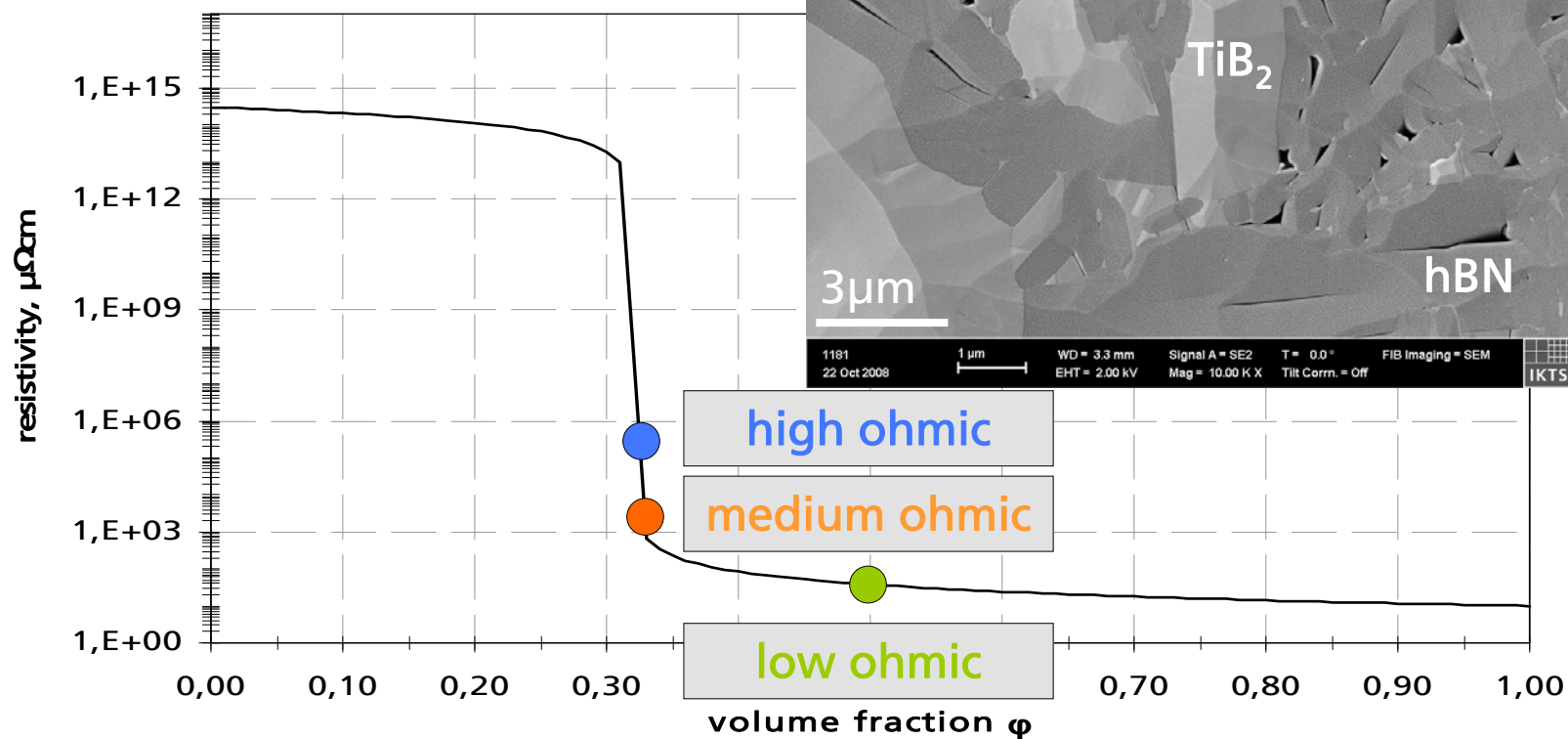
	high ohmic	medium ohmic	low ohmic
hBN	32	34	50
TiB <sub>2</sub>	68	66	50



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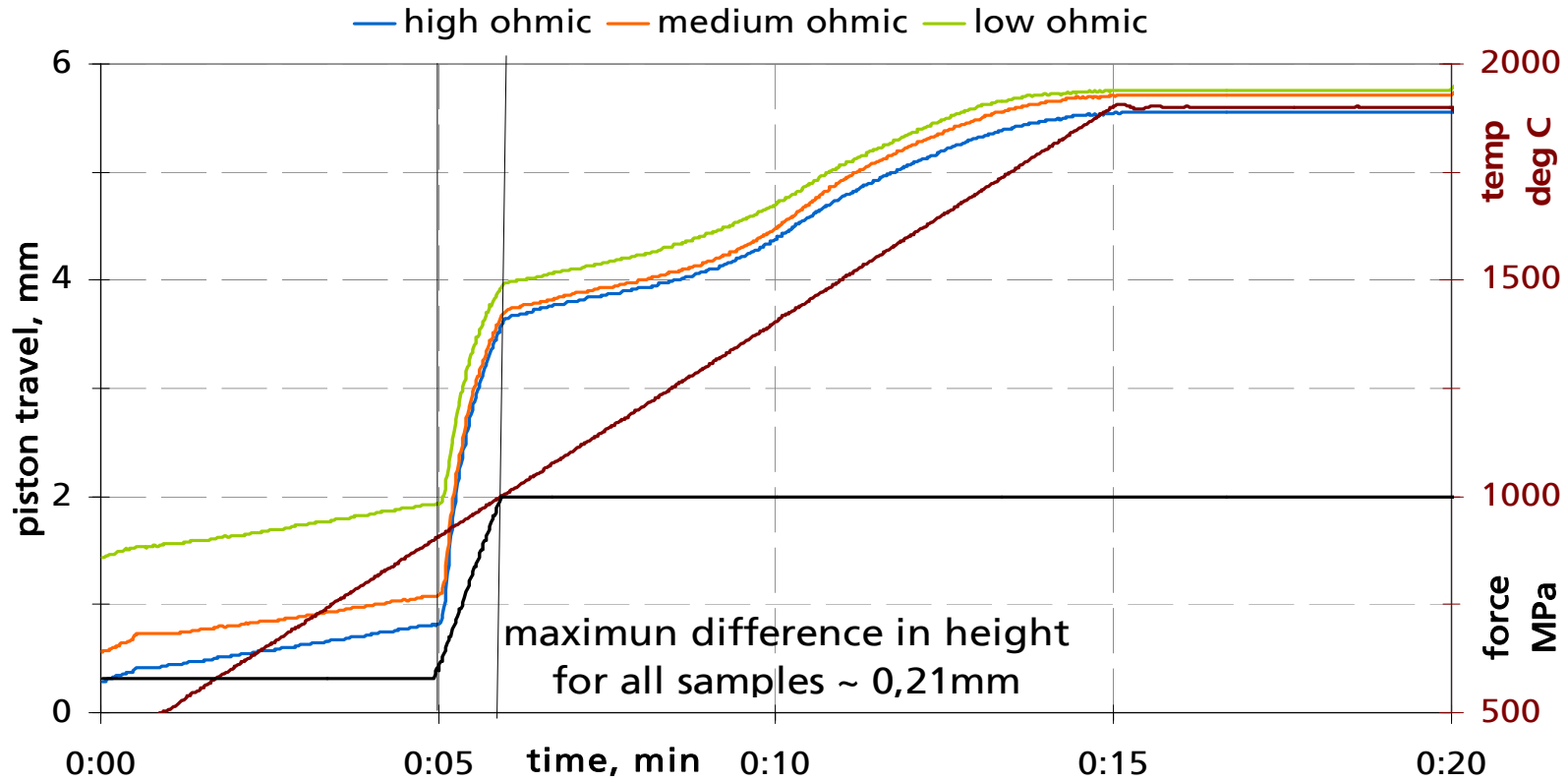
## Resistivity as a function of mole fraction



# Experimental – temperature measurements

## Corrected piston travel as a function of time (1st run)

(subtracting piston travel of second run from first run's piston travel)

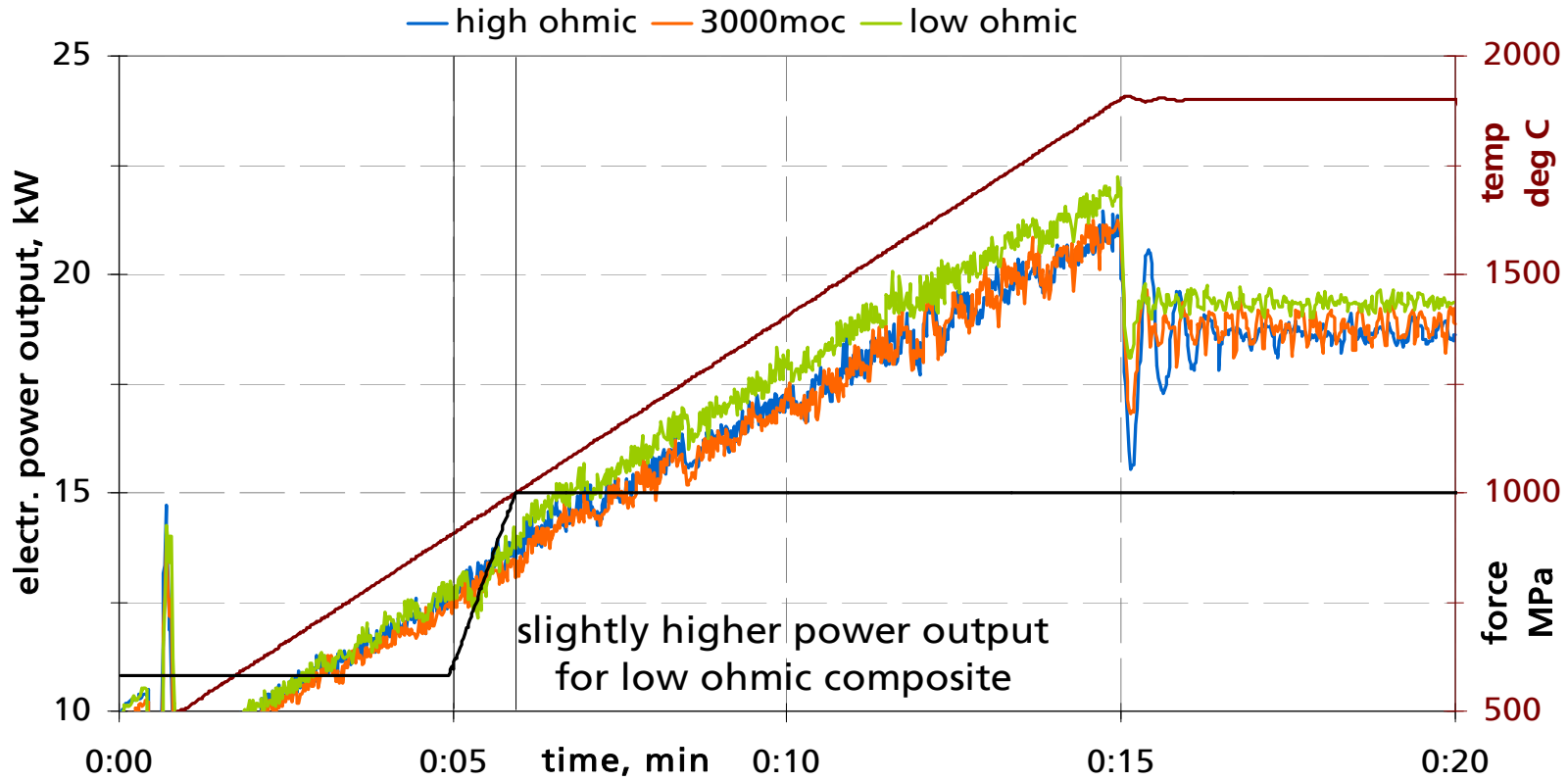




# Experimental – temperature measurements

## Overall electrical power output as a function of time

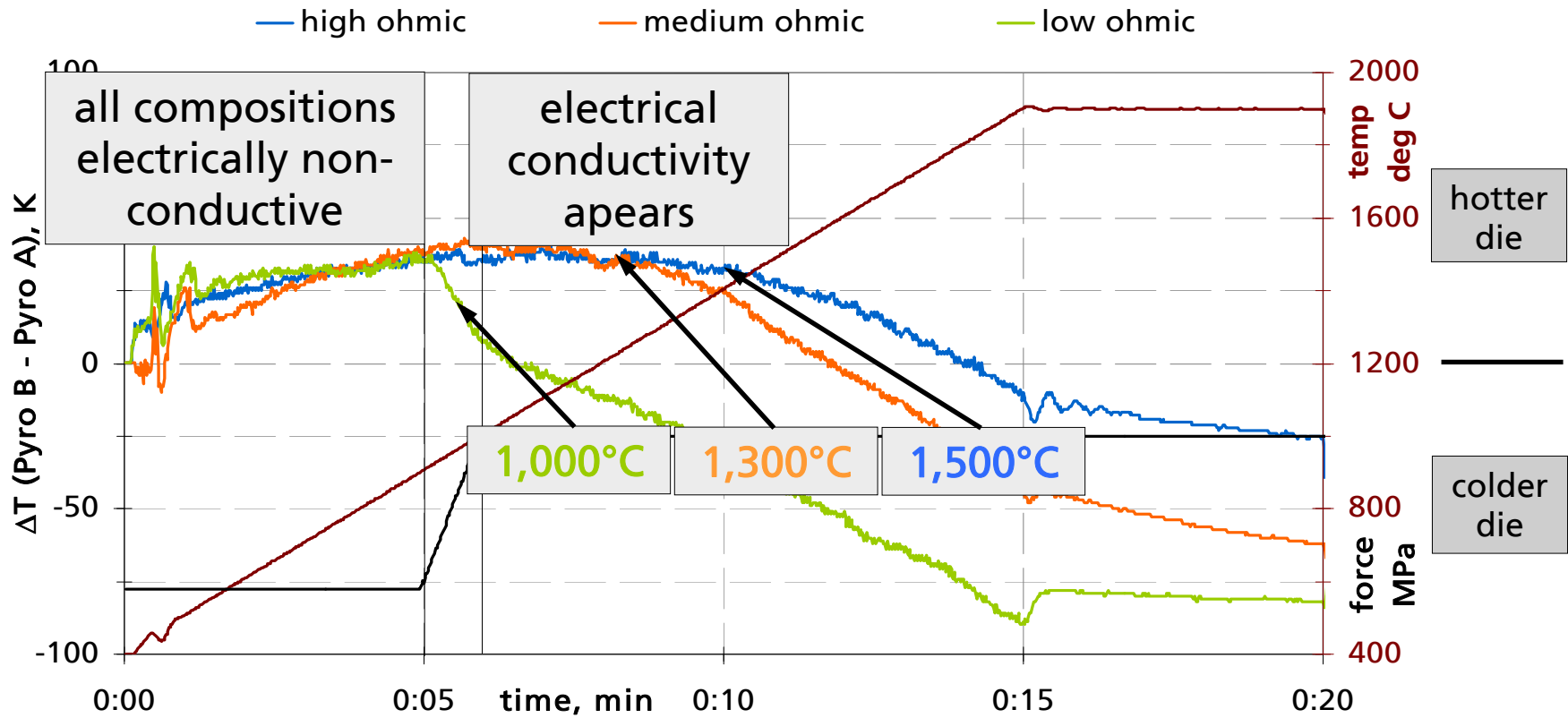
(no difference between 1st and 2nd run)



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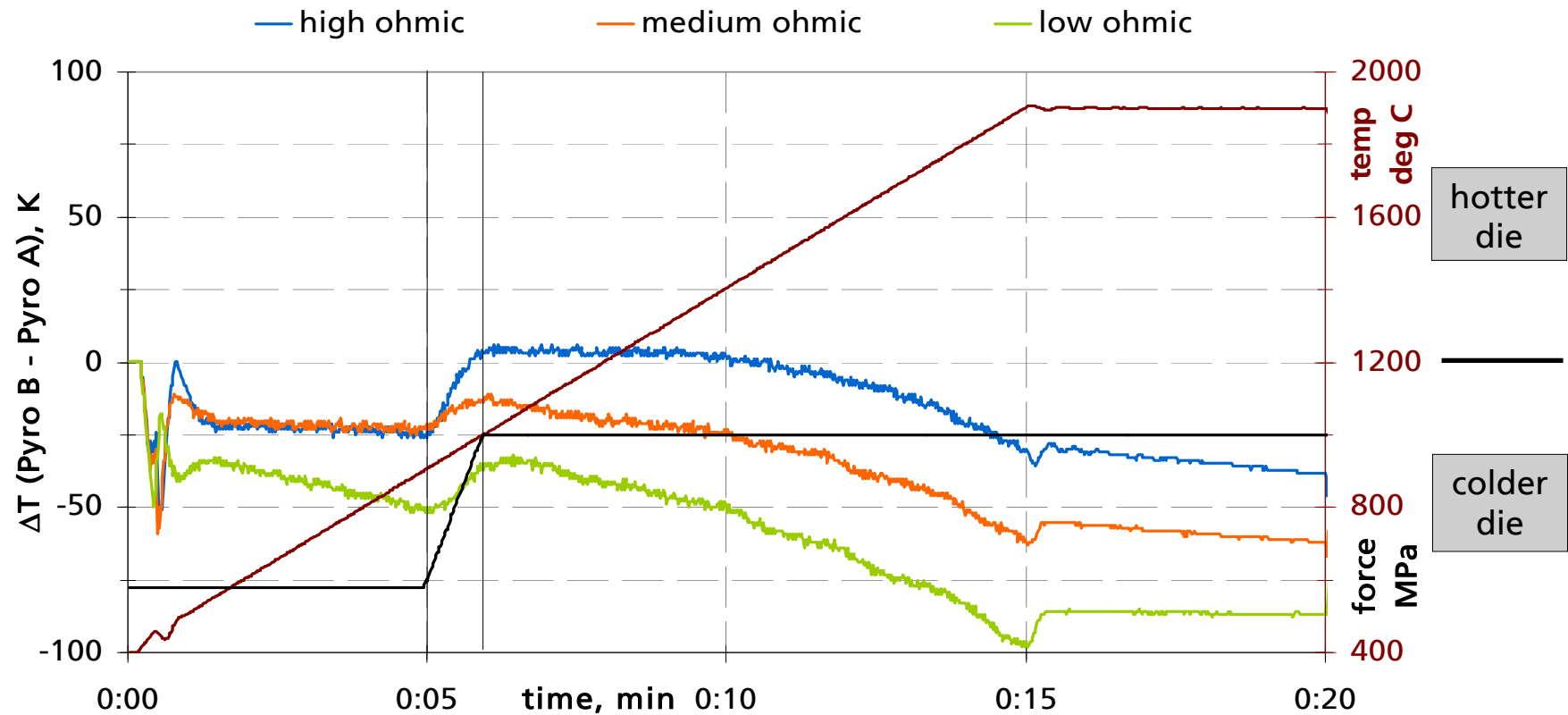
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## $\Delta T$ (Pyro B - Pyro A) of 1st run as a function of time



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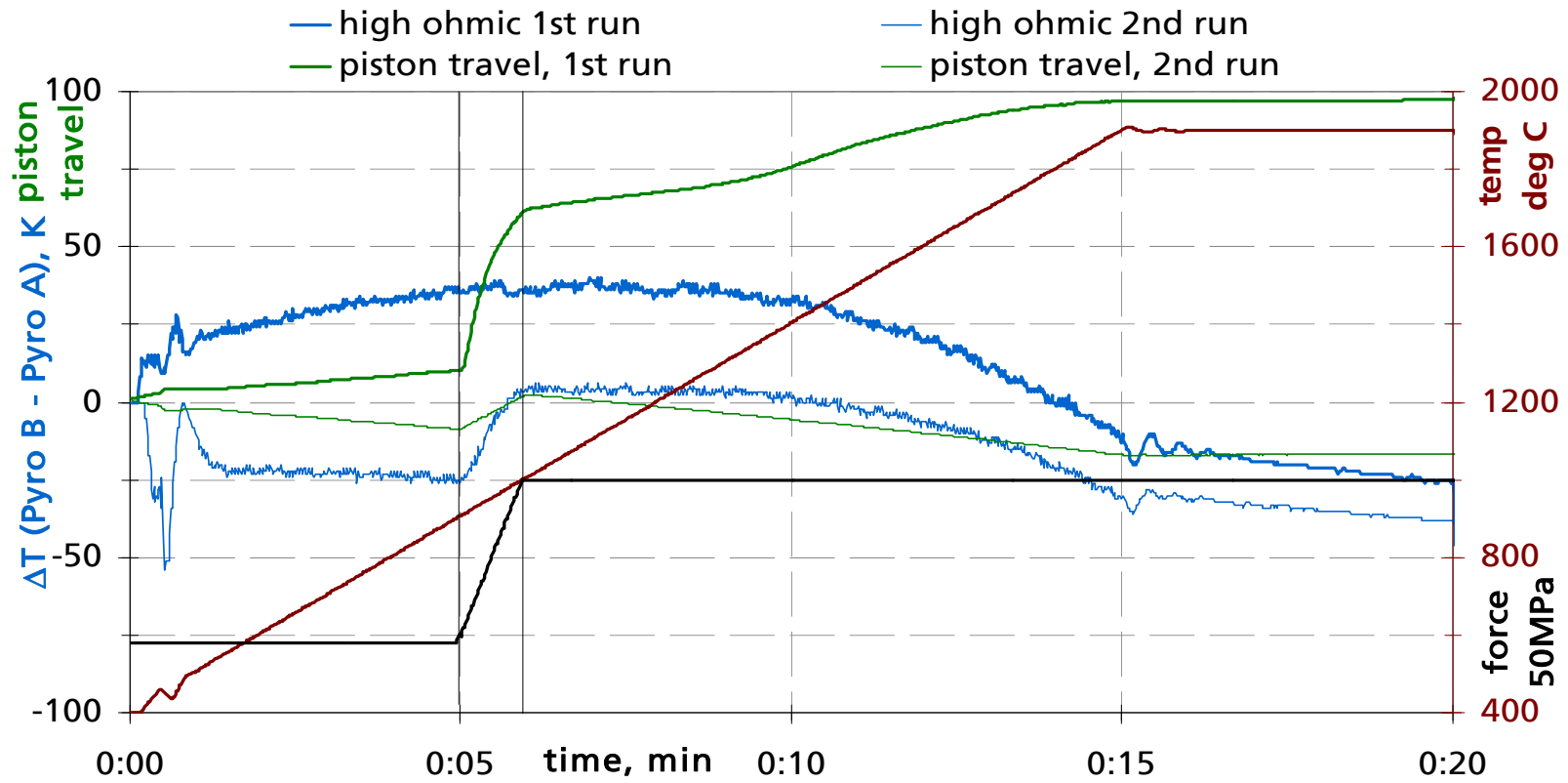
$\Delta T$  (Pyro B - Pyro A) of **2nd run** as a function of time



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# Experimental – temperature measurements

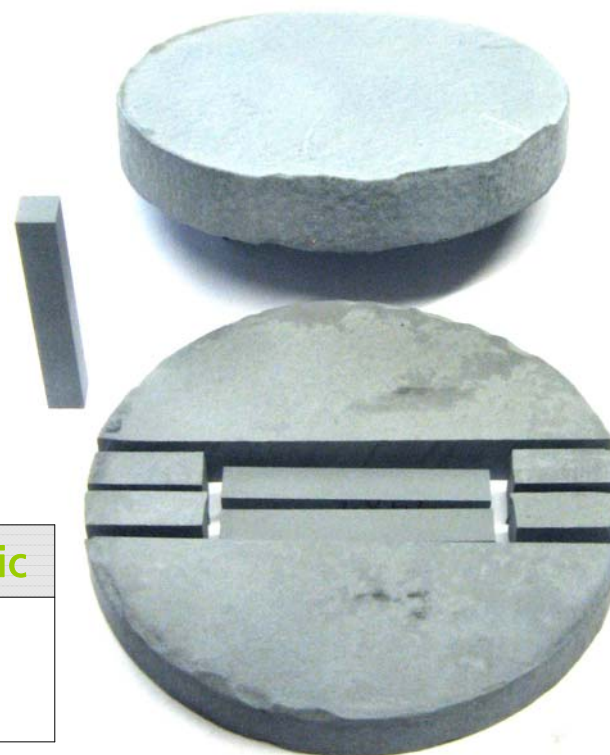
## $\Delta T$ (Pyro B - Pyro A), piston travel as a function of time



## Experimental – resistivity measurements

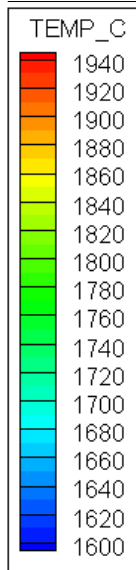
### Resistivity measurements

- Method
  - 20x3x3mm samples
  - Four- point measurements
  - Room temperature only

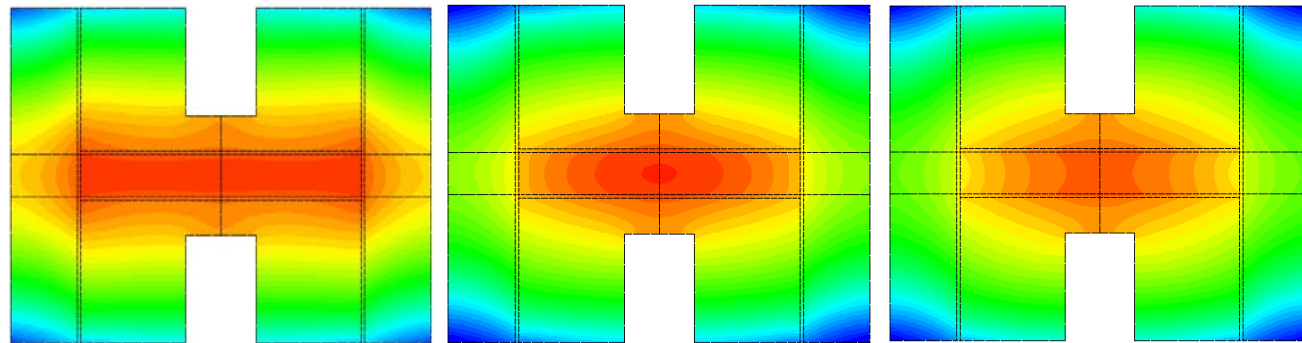


after	high ohmic	medium ohmic	low ohmic
1st run	7000±100	1100±100	32±5
2nd run	2950±100	425±50	41±5

## Experimental – FEM simulation



Temperature distribution at the end of the isothermal dwell time at 1,900°C for the **1st run**



$\Delta T$ (Pyro A–Pyro B)	high ohmic	medium ohmic	low ohmic
FEM	-20K	-70K	-80K
Measurement	-25K	-55K	-85K

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### Electrically conductive composites

- Comparison of change in microstructure (REM) → resistivity measurements more sensible
- Small variation in composition → large change in electrical resistivity, but small change for all other material's properties
- Different compositions → separation of temperature effects induced by
  - sintering shrinkage and
  - occurring low electrical resistivity

### FEM modeling

- Displaying well calculated temperature distribution
- Validation of the FEM model by measured data



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