



# FIRE RESISTANCE OF GALVANISED MEMBERS

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# Motivation

- Surfacing of the Steel Structures is not accounted in the calculation of Fire Resistance
- Advantages of Galvanizing compared to Intumescent Coating
  - Price availability
  - Reduction of labour consumption
  - Acceleration of construction
  - Aesthetic properties
  - New possibility of using zinc coated members

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# Heat Transfer in Fire Technology

Heat transfer in  
fire technology**Conduction** – molecular process of heat transfer

$$\text{Fourier's Law} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) = c\rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

Fire test 2010

Heat flux to boundary depends on surrounding and surface temperature:

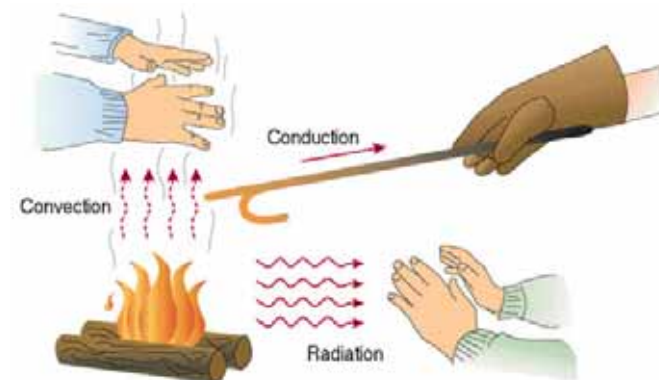
$$\dot{q}_{tot}'' = \dot{q}_{rad}'' + \dot{q}_{con}''$$
Fire test 2011 –  
Real structure**Radiation** - heat flux of electromagnetic waves

$$\dot{q}_{rad}'' = \varepsilon\sigma(T_r^4 - T_s^4)$$

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$$\dot{q}_{con}'' = h_c(T_g - T_s)$$

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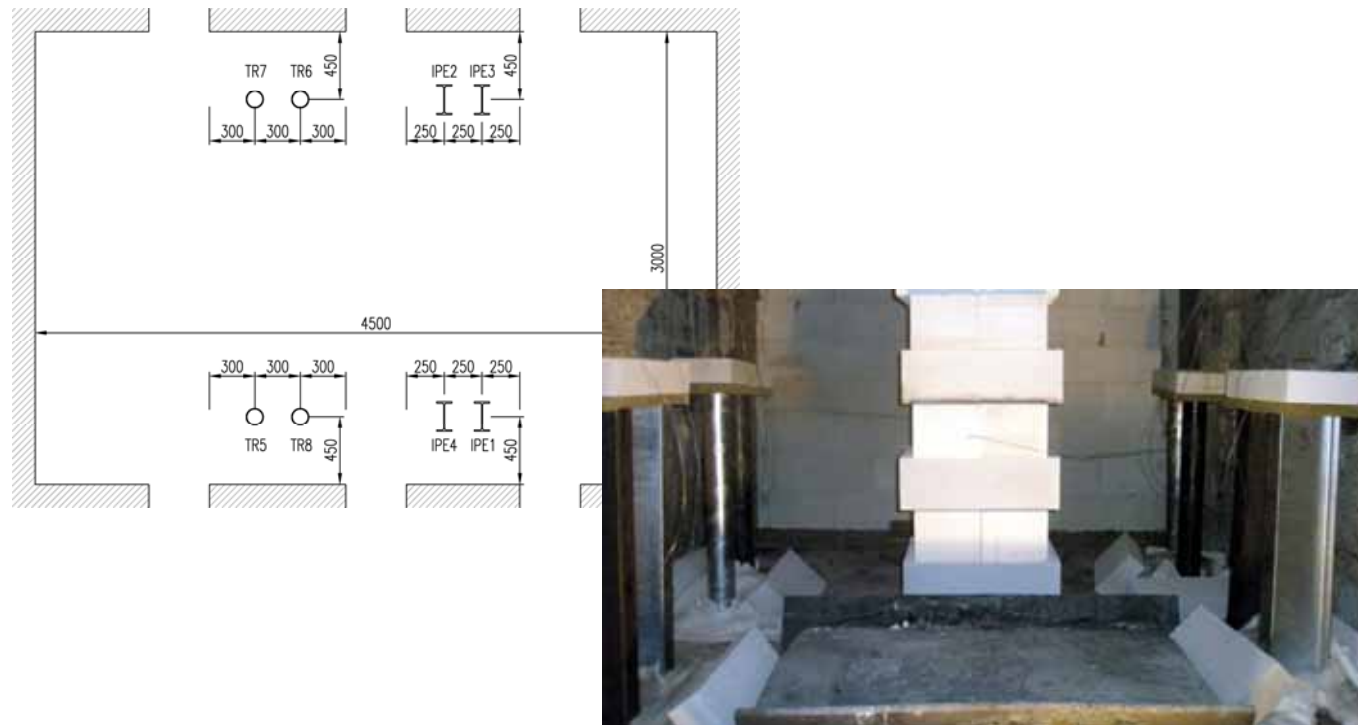
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## Fire Test 2010

- Pavus a.s., Veselí nad Lužnicí, 20. 10. 2010
- Horizontal Furnace with System of Oil-burners
- Standard Fire Curve



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# Fire Test 2010

## Specimens:

- Hollow Cross Sections – TR 114,3 x 4 – 1000 mm
- Opened Cross Sections – IPE 200 – 1000 mm

## Galvanized Surface:

- Average Thickness 119  $\mu\text{m}$
- Temperature of Galvanizing 460°C
- 1 Specimen – Admixture Al in Galvanizing Bath



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## Fire Test 2010

- Specimens after Fire Test





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Surfacing after fire test

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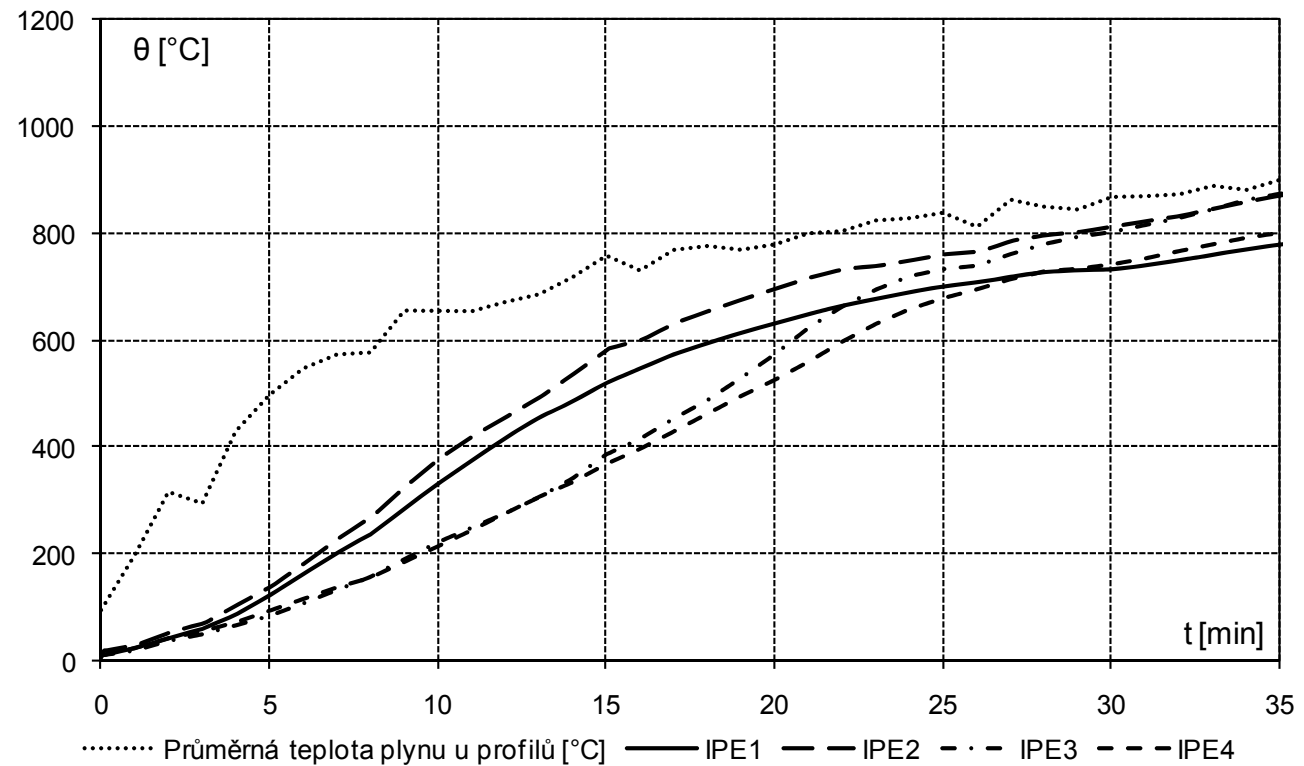
## Measured Values

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# Results - Analytical Approach

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Heat Transfer – „black“ specimen:

**Fire test 2010**

$$h_{net} = h_{net,c} + h_{net,r}$$

Fire test 2011 – Real structure

$$\Delta\Theta_a(t) = k_{sh} \cdot \frac{A_m/V}{c_a(t) \cdot \rho_a} \cdot h_{net}(t) \cdot \Delta t$$

Fire test 2011 - Furnace

$$h_{net,c}(t) = \alpha_c \cdot [\Theta_g(t) - \Theta_a(t)]$$

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$$h_{net,r}(t) = \phi \cdot \varepsilon_m \cdot \varepsilon_f \cdot \sigma \cdot [(\Theta_g(t) + 273)^4 - (\Theta_a + 273)^4]$$

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Heat Transfer – galvanised specimen:

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## Results - Analytical Approach

- Surface Emissivity

- Aluminum

$$\epsilon_m = 0,3$$

- Galvanized Steel

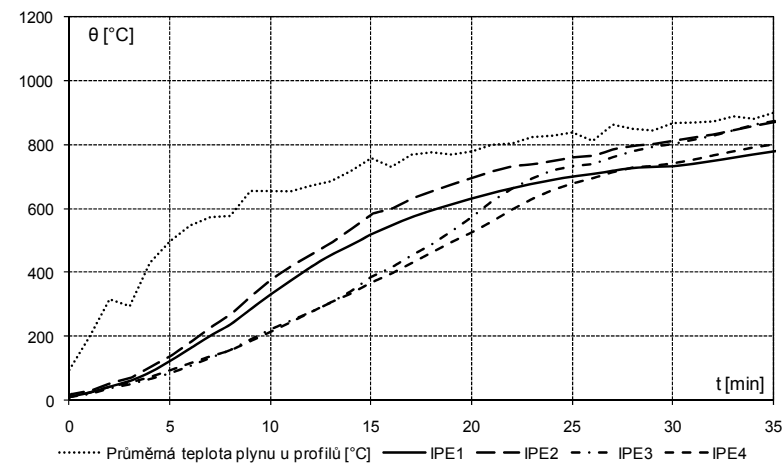
$$\epsilon_m = 0,32$$

- Stainless Steel

$$\epsilon_m = 0,4$$

- Steel without surfacing

$$\epsilon_m = 0,7$$



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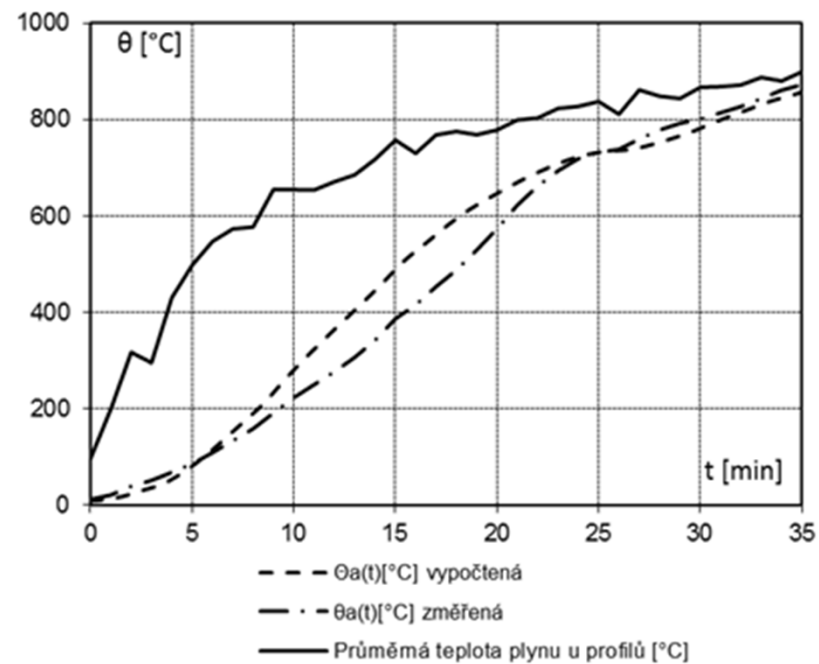
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## Fire Test 2011 – Real structure

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Pavus a.s., Veselí nad Lužnicí, 15. 09. 2011

Full scale test on real structure, dimensions 10,4 x 13,4 m

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 $q_{fi,d} = 525 \text{ MJ/m}^2$ , opening 5 x 2 m**Fire test 2011 –  
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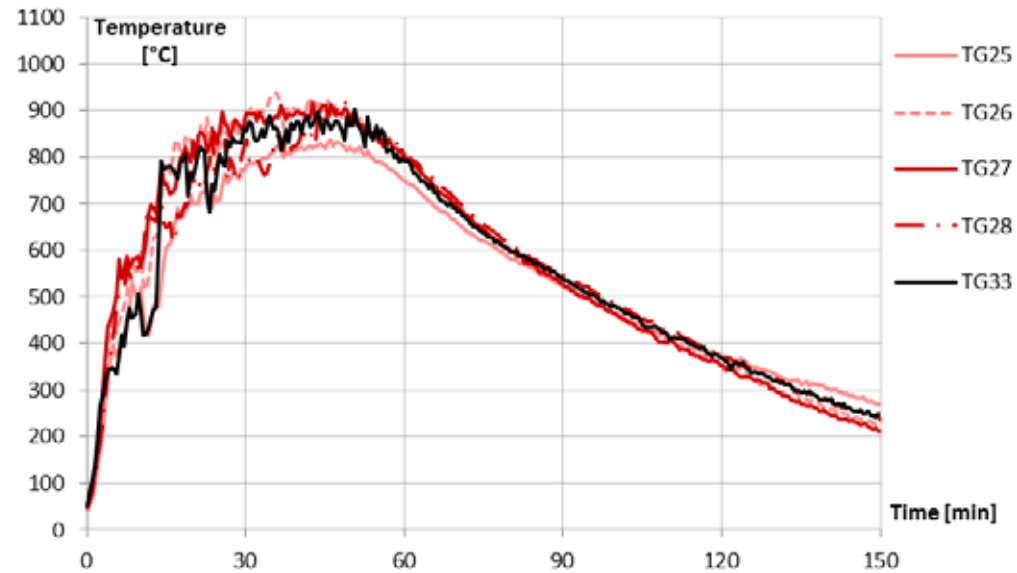
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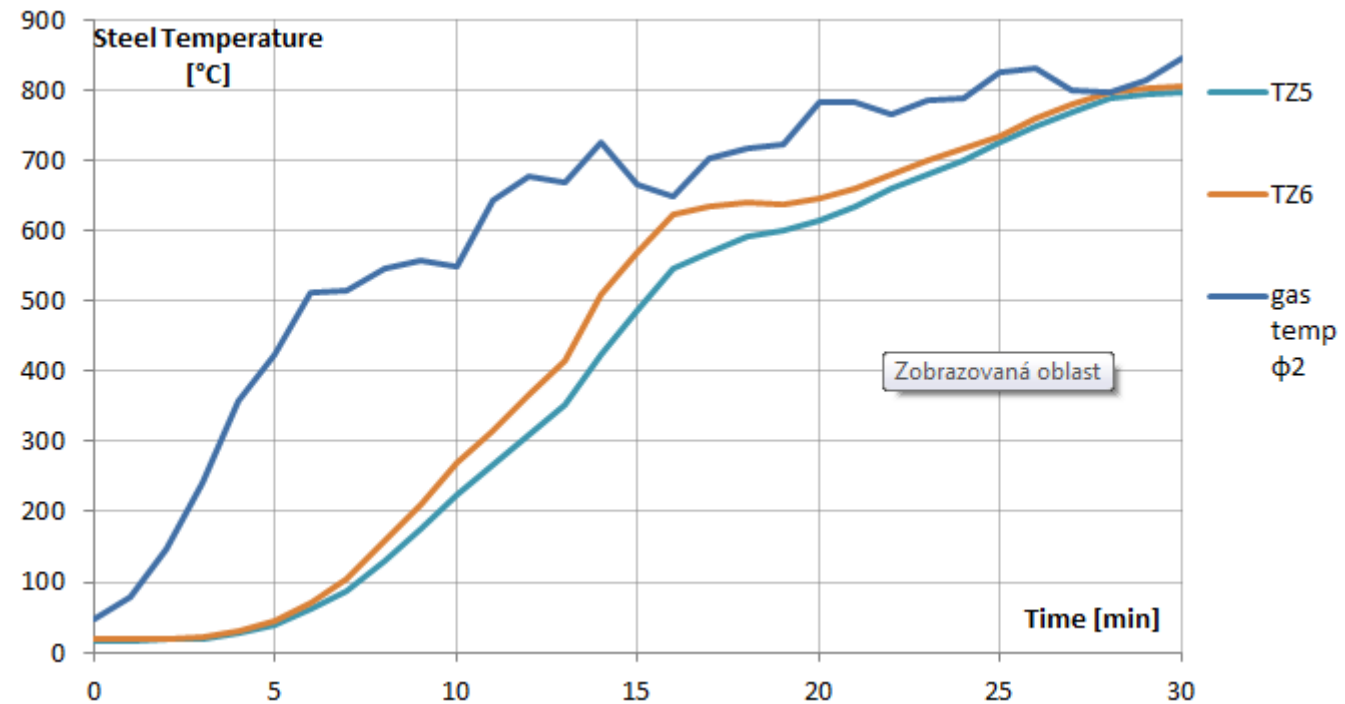
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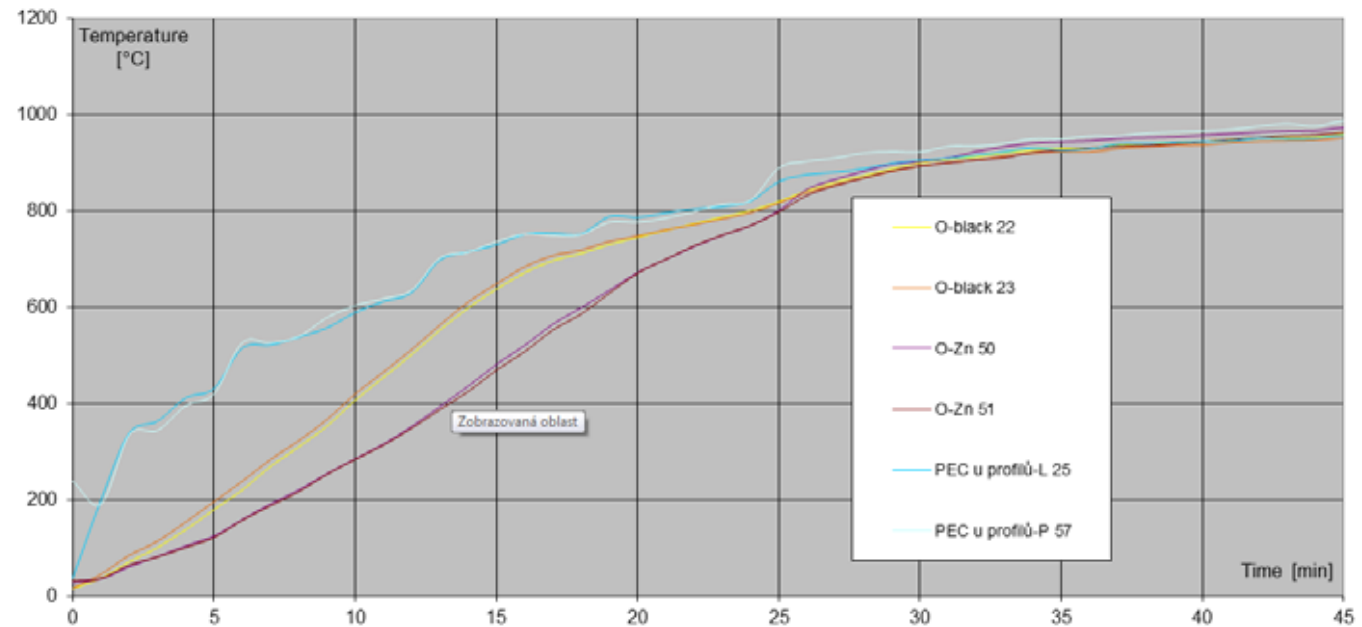
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## Further research

- Aging of zinc coated members
- Influence of thickness of zinc coating surfacing
- Composition of galvanizing bath
- Numerical model

## Goal of the work

- Specify emissivity of galvanised surface
- Calibrated numerical model
- Shedule of temperatures for zinc coated steel members in standard temperature curve





# Thank you for attention

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