

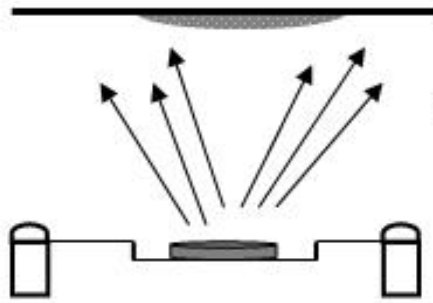
Forecasting the thickness distribution of the evaporated material



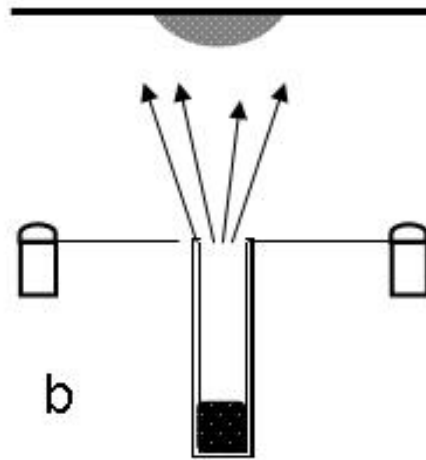
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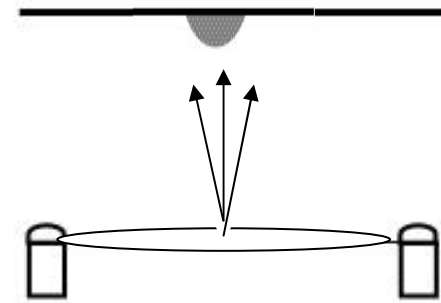
Challenge:
preparation of the target with acceptable
thickness inhomogeneity with minimal material loss



a



b

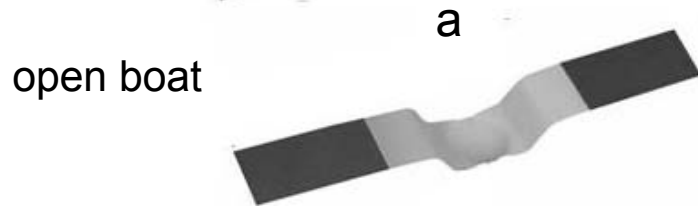


c

pin-hole boat

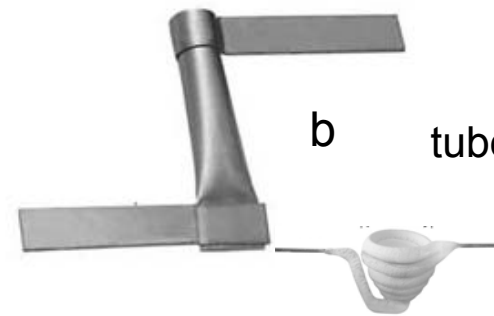


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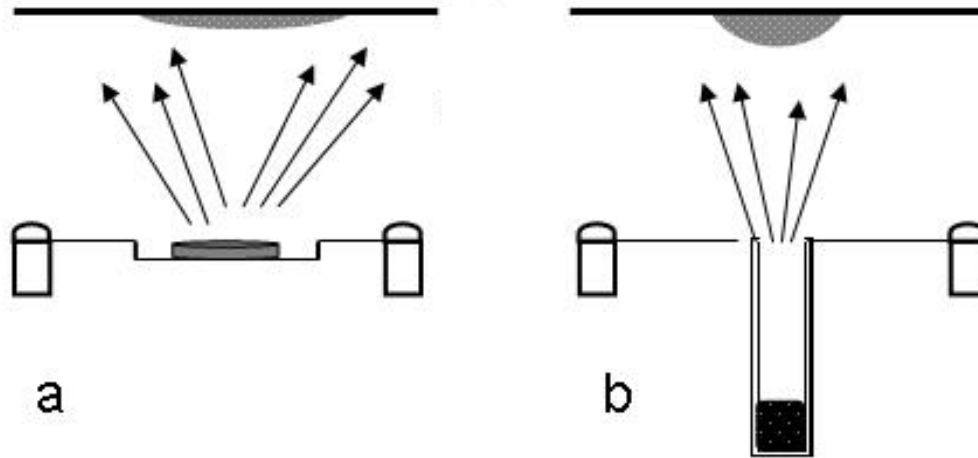
a

open boat



b

tube or V shaped boat



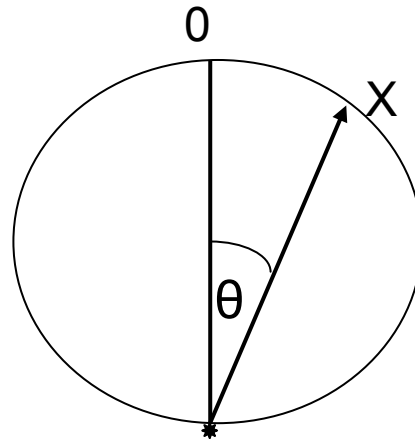
Can the shape of the 'stalactite' be foreseen?

The thickness fluctuation/material distribution can be predicted based on the flux distribution cosine law. Also known in optics as Lambert law.

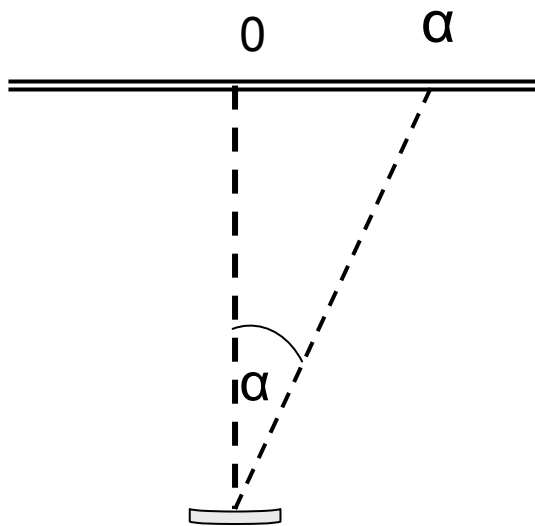
The law defines the light intensity at a point x on the illuminated surface as proportional to the cosine of the angle between the normal to the source and the incident light ray. For a point light source the light intensity at the point x is described by:

$$I_x = I_0 \times \cos \theta \quad (1)$$

where I_0 is the intensity of the light flux emerging from the source and $\cos \theta$ is the cosine of the angle between the normal to the source surface and the incident light ray.



Similarly to the light intensity, the amount of the deposited material at point α depends on the vapour stream intensity emerging from the point source.



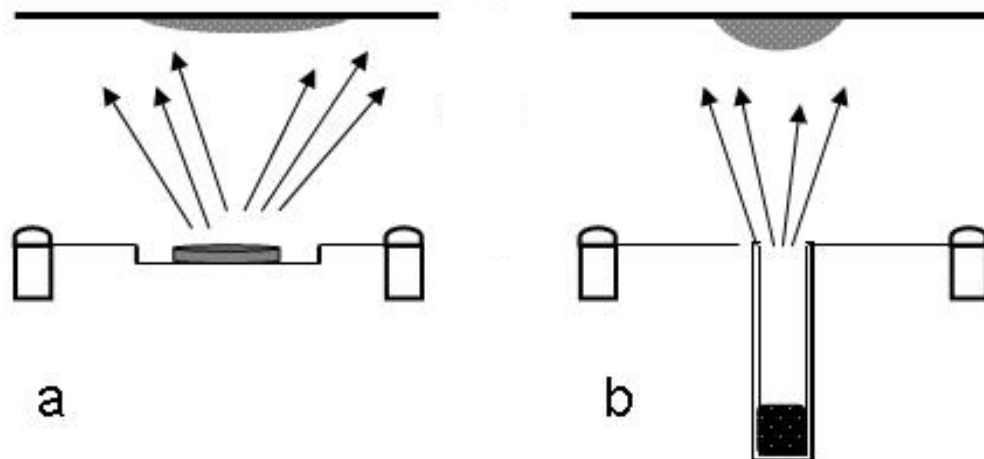
$$M(\alpha) = M(0) \times \cos \alpha \quad (2)$$

where $M(\alpha)$ and $M(0)$ are the material vapour intensities/amounts at the angles α and 0 ,

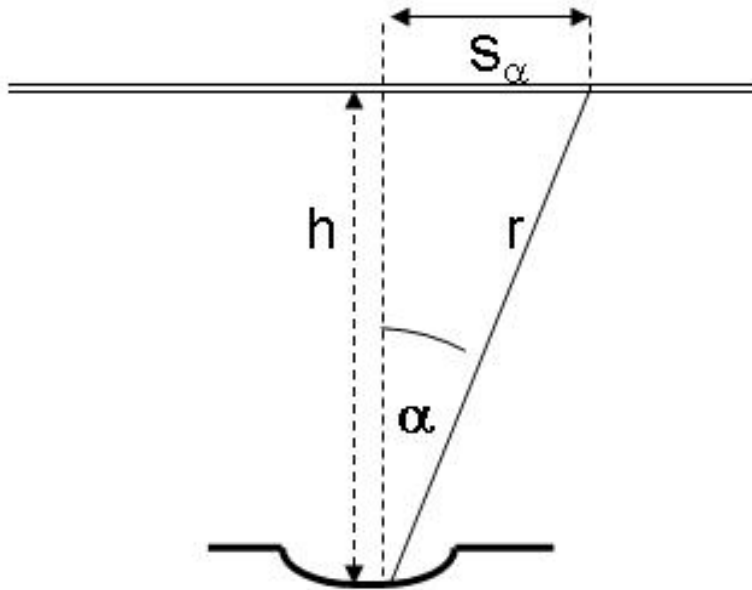
So, the deposit thickness variation between the centre and the border of the deposit for deposition on a flat substrate may be forecasted applying equation:

$$d(\alpha) = d_0 \times \cos^n \alpha \quad (3)$$

where $d(\alpha)$ and d_0 are the deposit thickness at angles α and 0 , $n \geq 1$ depends on the vapour source type and has to be determined experimentally.



Taking into account the geometry parameters of the evaporation set-up and trigonometry $\cos\alpha = h / r$

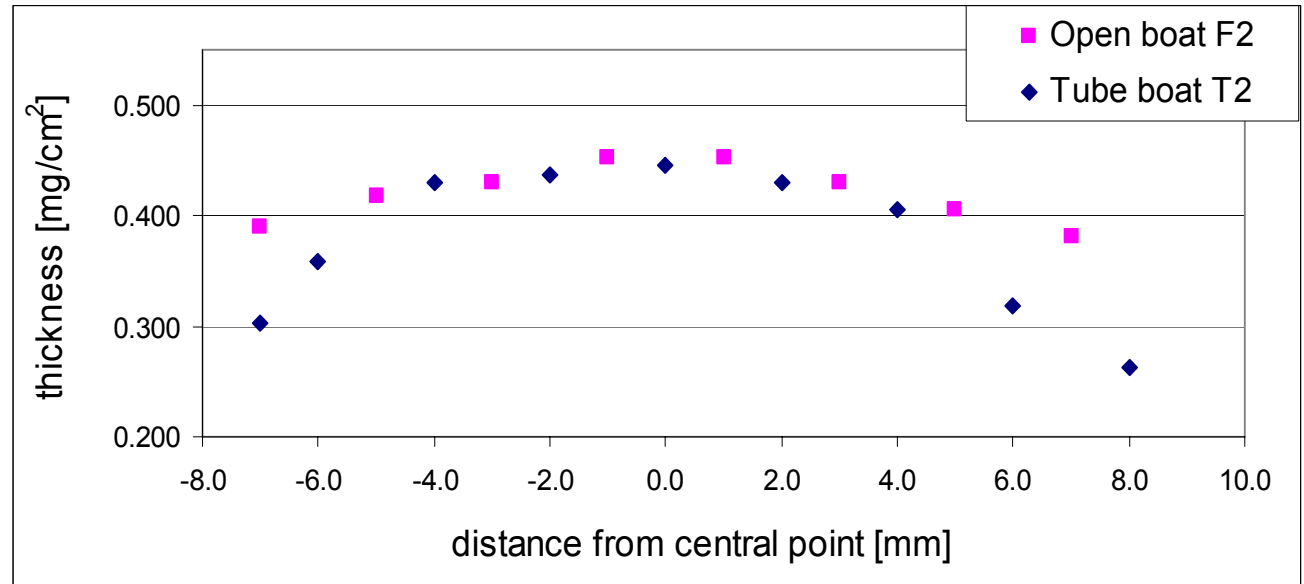


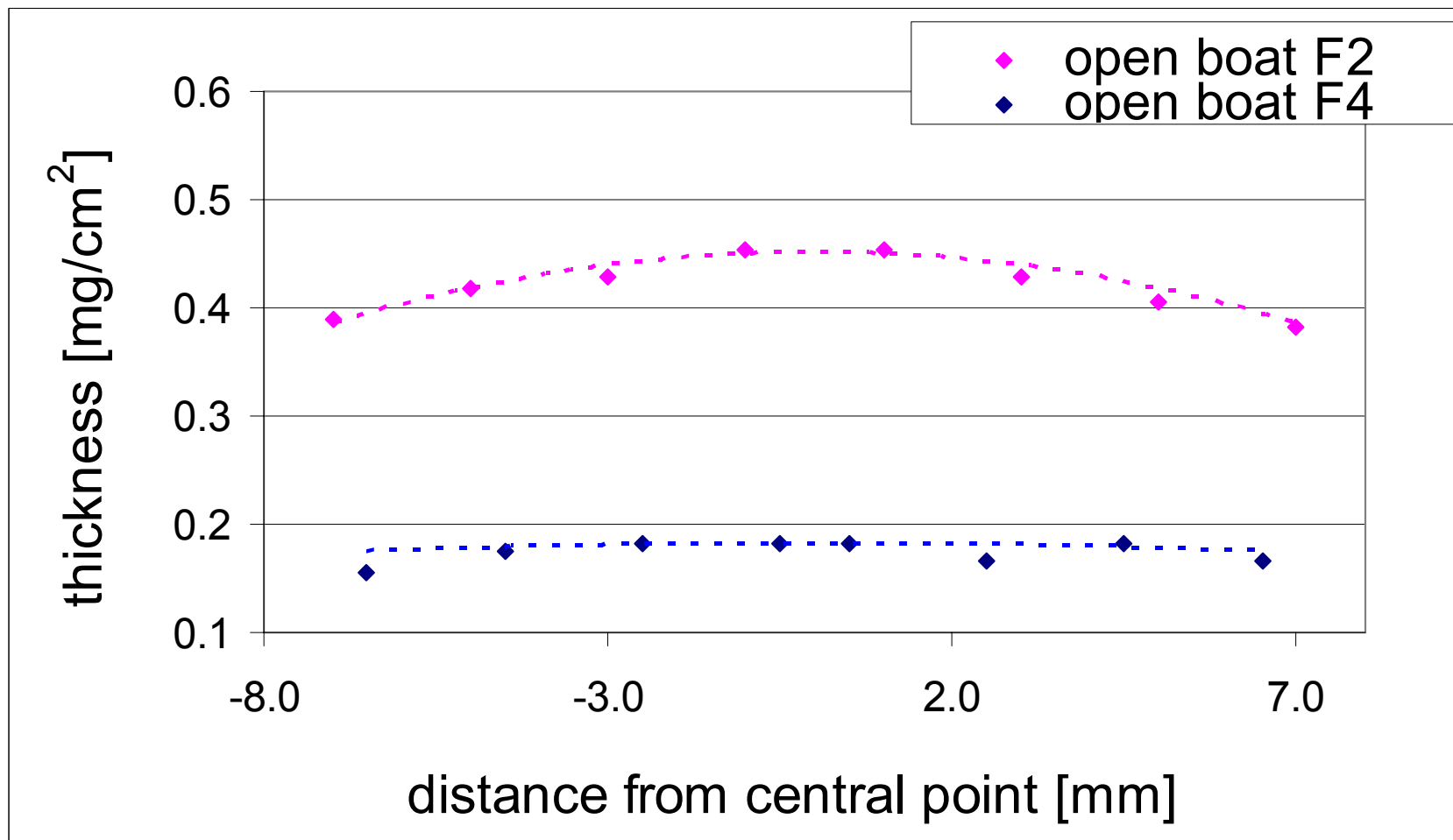
$$r = \sqrt{(S_\alpha^2 + h^2)}$$

$$d(\alpha) = d_0 \left[\frac{h}{\sqrt{(S_\alpha^2 + h^2)}} \right]^n \quad (4)$$

or

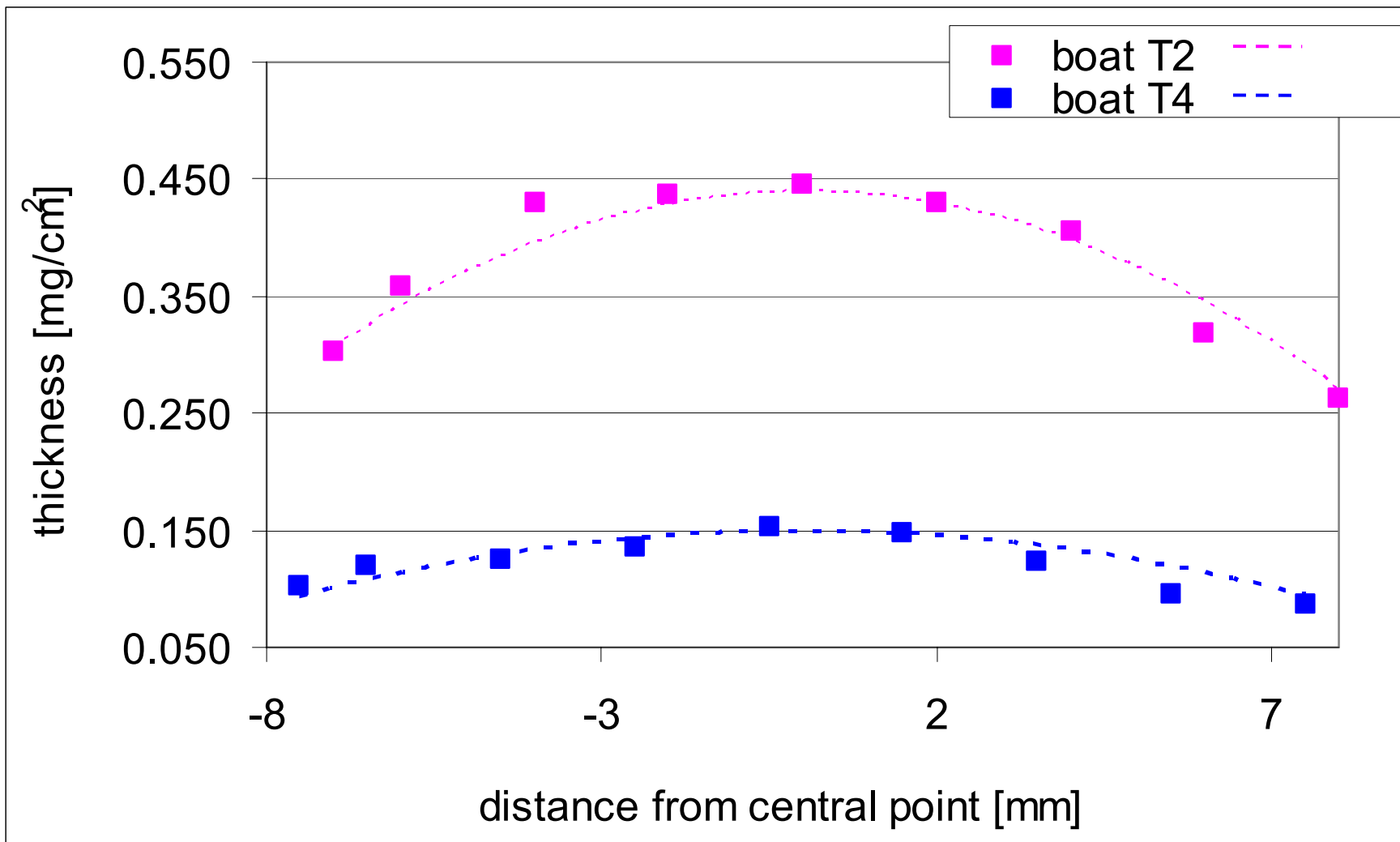
$$d(\alpha) = d_0 \left[1 + (S_\alpha/h)^2 \right]^{-n/2}$$





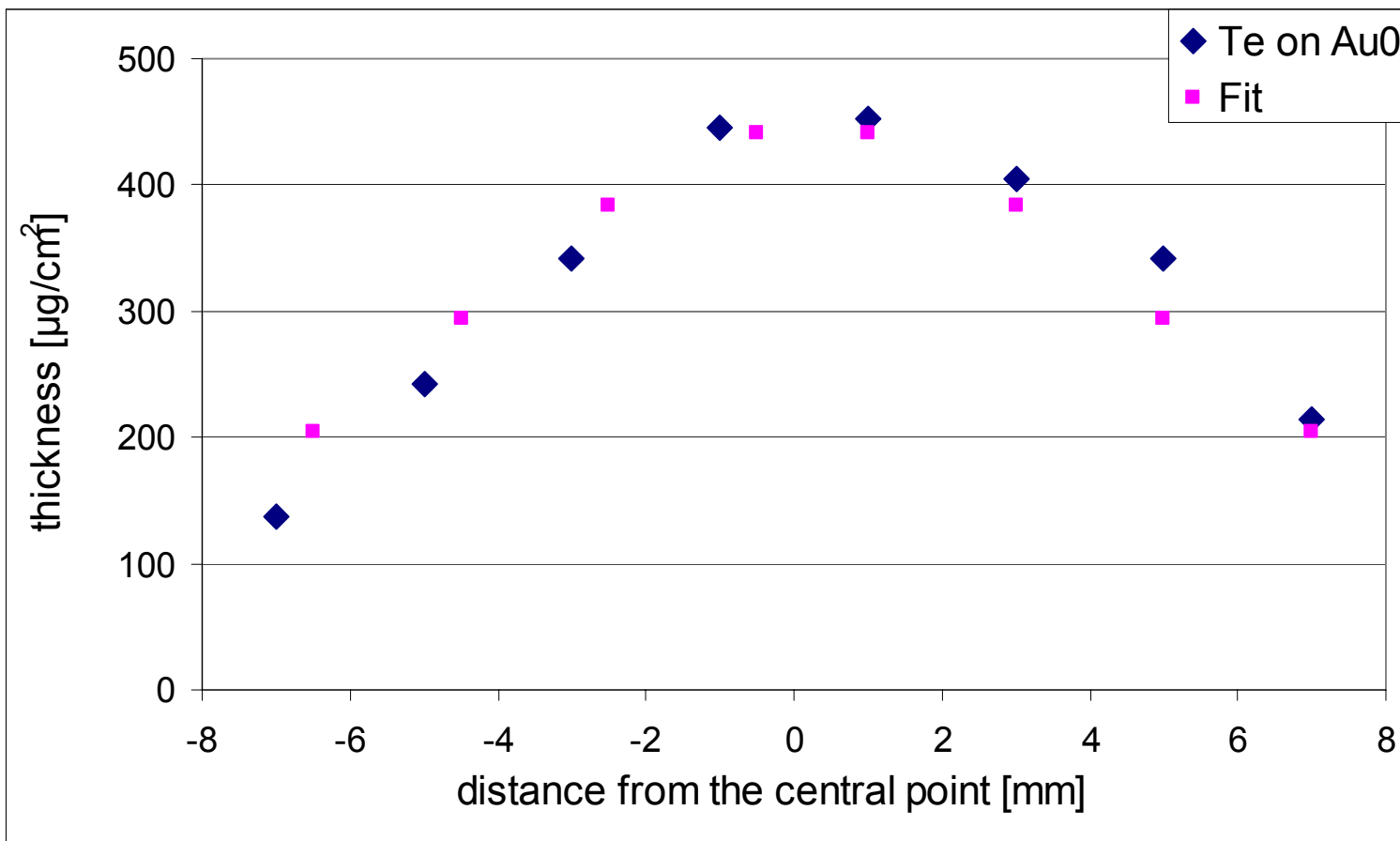
h = 2 and 4 cm

n = 3



$h = 2$ or 4 cm

$n = 7$



$h=1.8 \text{ cm}$

