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THER-CFD :

a THERMICA/GAMBIT Gateway

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PURPOSE

THER-CFD is a Fortran/Unix Software developed by EADS SPACE Transportation in the frame of the Launch Thermal Analyses

The aim is to build quickly a geometry usable with GAMBIT meshing software based on a geometry available in THERMICA format

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LAUNCH THERMAL ANALYSIS

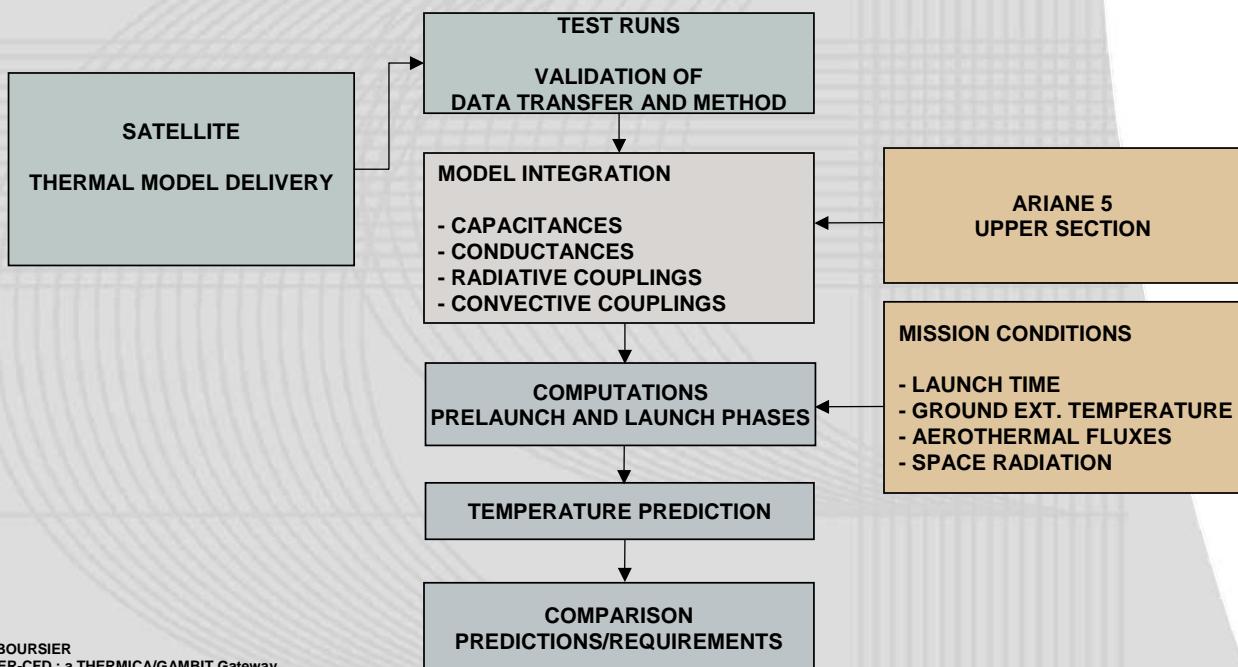
OBJECTIVES :

to predict the thermal behaviour of the payload during ground and flight phases



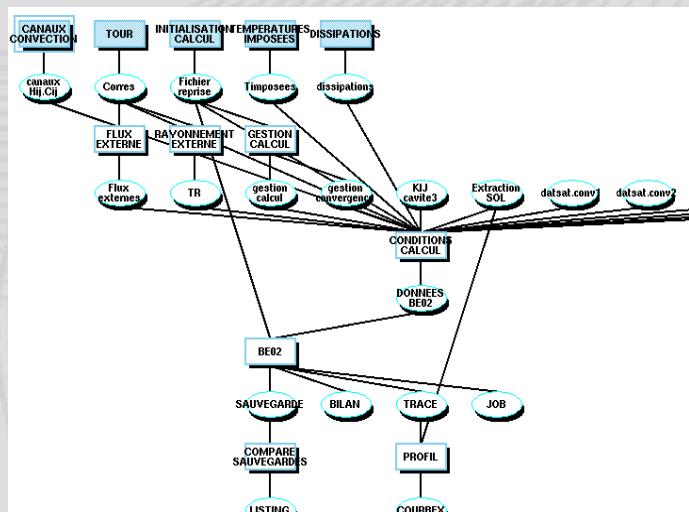
To check the thermal compatibility of the spacecraft with the launch vehicle

THERMAL ANALYSIS FLOW



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SOFTWARES

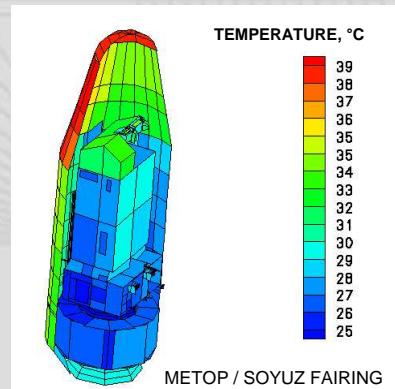


AUTOMATIC CALCULATION CHAIN : LOGIAT

(about 150 elementary tasks)

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TEMPERATURE SOLVER :
SISTER
(Nodal representation)



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SOFTWARES

AIR FLOW CALCULATION : **GAMBIT / FLUENT**

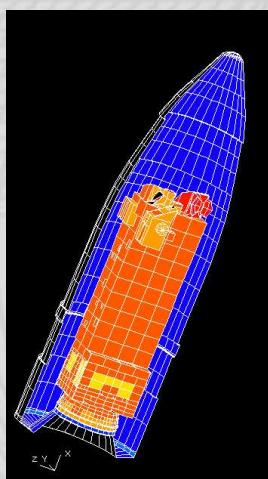
- → to refine convective coefficients determination
- → to check that air velocity stays below maximal allowed levels

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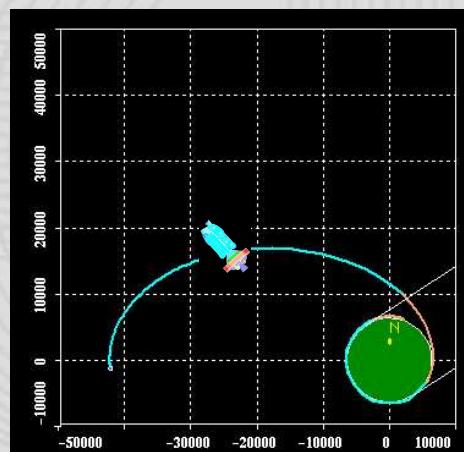
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SOFTWARES

RADIATION : **THERMICA**



Radiative couplings
inside a closed cavity

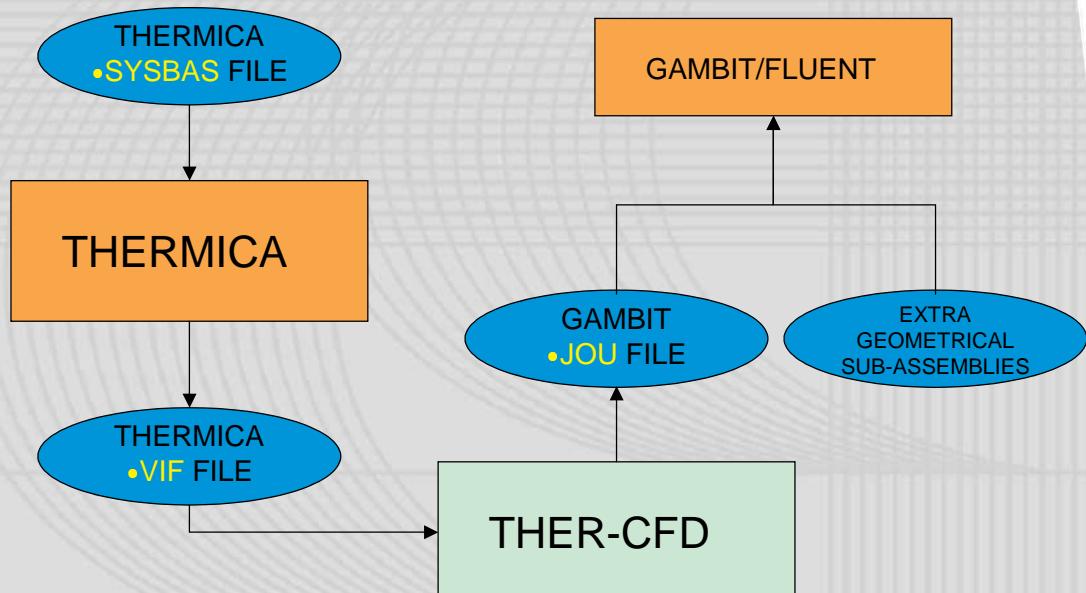


External heat fluxes
during flight

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From THERMICA to GAMBIT



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From THERMICA to GAMBIT

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  .10000E+01   .00000E+00   .00000E+00   .00000E+00   .10000E+01   .00000E+00
  .00000E+00   .00000E+00

THERMICA .VIF FILE
  
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vertex create « p1 » coordinates 0 0 .56470E+01
vertex create « p2 » coordinates 0 0 .57470E+01
vertex create « p3 » coordinates .70711E+00 -.70711E+00 .56470E+01
coordinate create cartesian vertices « p1 » « p2 » « p3 »
vertex copy « p1 » to « vertex.4 »
vertex move « vertex.4 » offset 2.607 0 0
vertex copy « p1 » to « vertex.5 »
vertex move « vertex.5 » offset 0 2.607 0
edge create « cerc1 » center2points « p1 » « vertex.4 » « vertex.5 »
circle
  face create « disque1 » wireframe « cerc1 » real
  vertex copy « p1 » to « vertex.6 »
  vertex move « vertex.6 » offset 0 2597 0
  vertex copy « p1 » to « vertex.7 »
  vertex move « vertex.7 » offset 2.597 0 0
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circle
  face create « disque2 » wireframe « cerc2 » real
  
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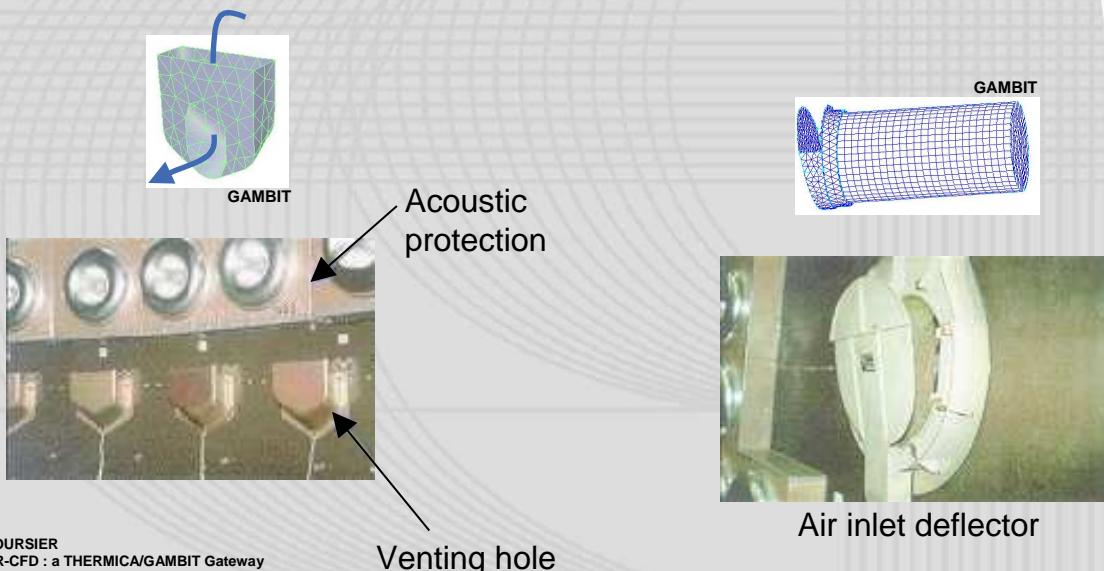
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From THERMICA to GAMBIT

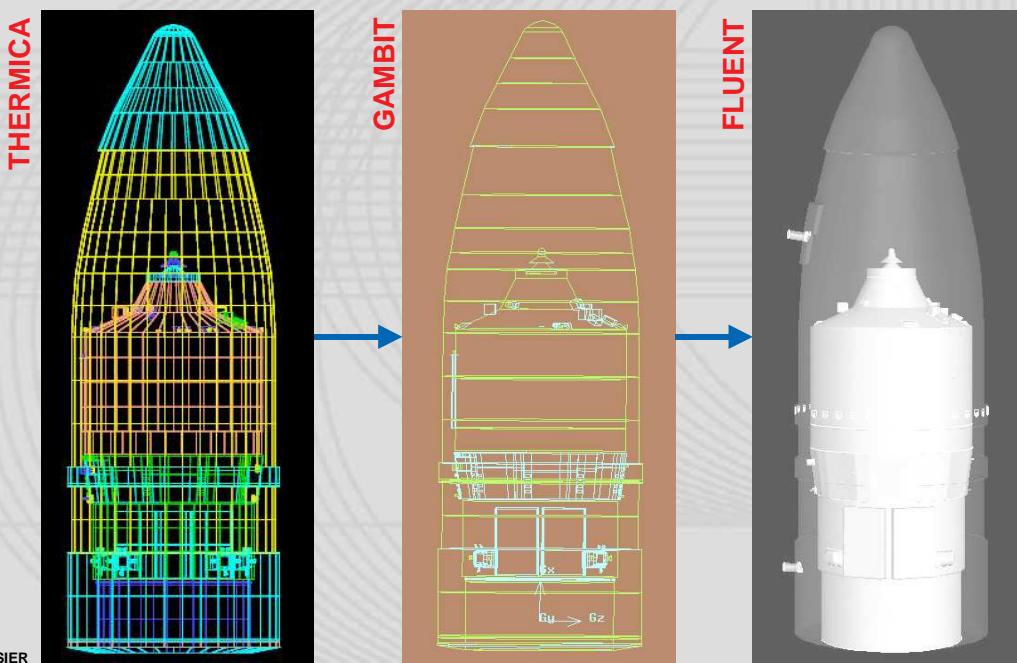
EXTRA GEOMETRIES ADDED WITH GAMBIT



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CONCLUSION

THER-CFD ALLOWS A TRANSITION FROM THERMICA TO GAMBIT WHICH LEADS :

- ➔ To use a more accurate geometrical definition of the domains considered
- ➔ To lower the cost of CFD calculations thanks to shorter processes

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