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Make a brief introduction showing the background and overall intent of the paper, sketching the problem that is to be overcome and the general direction that will be taken to overcome it. The Introduction should be aimed mainly at experts in the field, but be such that a generalist can also gain a sense of the research.

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Table 1. Variation of coal properties with rank

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| Property | Lignite | Sub-Bitu | Bituminous | Anthracite |
| Moisture (db%) | 50–70 | 25–30 | 5–10 | 2–5 |
| Carbon (db%) | 60–75 | 75–80 | 80–90 | 90–95 |



Figure 1. Gas transport process in coal matrix

Conclusions

This section should give a brief résumé of the conclusions, and perhaps indicate a direction for further research suggested by the results of the paper.

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References

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