

Turbulent Combustion Modeling

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Moment Methods for Reactive Scalars

Balance Equation for Reactive Scalars

- The term „reactive scalar“
 - Mass fraction Y_α of all components $\alpha = 1, \dots, N$
 - Temperature T

$$\psi_i = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N, T)^\top$$

- Balance equation for $\psi_i, i = 1, \dots, N + 1$

$$\rho \frac{\partial \psi_i}{\partial t} + \rho u_j \frac{\partial \psi_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\rho D_i \frac{\partial \psi_i}{\partial x_j} \right) + \rho S_i$$

- D_i : mass diffusivity, thermal diffusivity
- S_i : mass/temperature source term

Balance Equation for Reactive Scalars

- Neglecting the molecular transport (assumption: $Re \uparrow$)
- Gradient transport assumption for the turbulent transport

$$-\widetilde{u_j''\psi_i''} = D_t \frac{\partial \widetilde{\psi}_i}{\partial x_j}, \quad \text{mit} \quad D_t = \frac{\nu_t}{Sc_t}$$

→ Averaged transport equation

not closed

$$\bar{\rho} \frac{\partial \widetilde{\psi}_i}{\partial t} + \bar{\rho} \widetilde{u_j} \frac{\partial \widetilde{\psi}_i}{\partial x_j} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\bar{\rho} D_t \frac{\partial \widetilde{\psi}_i}{\partial x_j} \right) + \boxed{\bar{\rho} \widetilde{S}_i}$$

→ Simplest possible approach:
Express unclosed terms as a function of mean values

Moment Methods for Reactive Scalars: Error Estimation

- Assumption: heat release expressed by

$$\omega_T = \rho S_T(T) = \rho B(T_b - T) \exp\left(-\frac{E}{RT}\right)$$

- B : includes frequency factor und heat of reaction
- T_b : adiabatic flame temperature
- E : activation energy
- Approach for modeling the chemical source term

$$\tilde{S}_T(T) = f(\tilde{T})$$

- Proven method → Decomposition into mean and fluctuation

$$T = \tilde{T} + T''$$

Moment Methods for Reactive Scalars: Error Estimation

- Taylor expansion at $T \approx \tilde{T}$ (for $T = \tilde{T} + T''$, $T'' \ll \tilde{T}$) of terms

$$\tilde{S}_T(T) = B(\textcolor{red}{T_b} - \textcolor{red}{T}) \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\mathcal{R}\tilde{T}}\right)$$

- Pre-exponential term

$$(\textcolor{red}{T_b} - \textcolor{red}{T}) \Big|_{T \approx \tilde{T}} \approx T_b - \tilde{T} - T''$$

- Exponential term

$$-\frac{E}{\mathcal{R}\tilde{T}} \Big|_{T \approx \tilde{T}} \approx -\frac{E}{\mathcal{R}} \left[\frac{1}{\tilde{T}} - \frac{1}{\tilde{T}^2} (\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}) \right] \Big|_{\tilde{T} + T''} = -\frac{E}{\mathcal{R}\tilde{T}} + \frac{ET''}{\mathcal{R}\tilde{T}^2}$$

- Leads to

$$\tilde{S}_T(T) \Big|_{T \approx \tilde{T}} \approx B(T_b - \tilde{T} - T'') \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\mathcal{R}\tilde{T}}\right) \exp\left(\frac{ET''}{\mathcal{R}\tilde{T}^2}\right)$$

Moment Methods for Reactive Scalars: Error Estimation

- As a function of Favre-mean at \tilde{T}

$$\tilde{S}_T(\tilde{T}) = B(T_b - \tilde{T}) \exp\left(-\frac{E}{R\tilde{T}}\right)$$

yields

$$\tilde{S}_T(T) = \tilde{S}_T(\tilde{T}) \left(1 - \frac{T''}{T_b - \tilde{T}}\right) \exp\left(\frac{ET''}{R\tilde{T}^2}\right)$$

- Typical values in the reaction zone of a flame

$$\frac{E}{R\tilde{T}} = \mathcal{O}(10) \quad \text{und} \quad 0,1 \leq \left| \frac{T''}{\tilde{T}} \right| \leq 0,3$$

- Error around a factor of 10!
- Moment method for reactive scalars inappropriate due to strong non-linear effect of the chemical source term

Example: Non-Premixed Combustion in Isotropic Turbulence

- Favre averaged transport equation

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\rho} \tilde{Y}_\alpha}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\bar{\rho} \tilde{u}_j \tilde{Y}_\alpha \right) = \overline{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\rho D_\alpha \frac{\partial Y_\alpha}{\partial x_j} \right)} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\bar{\rho} \left(\widetilde{u_j Y_\alpha} - \tilde{u}_j \tilde{Y}_\alpha \right) \right) + \widetilde{\dot{m}''}_\alpha$$

- Gradient transport model

$$\left(\widetilde{u_j Y_\alpha} - \tilde{u}_j \tilde{Y}_\alpha \right) = -D_t \frac{\partial \tilde{Y}_\alpha}{\partial x_j}$$

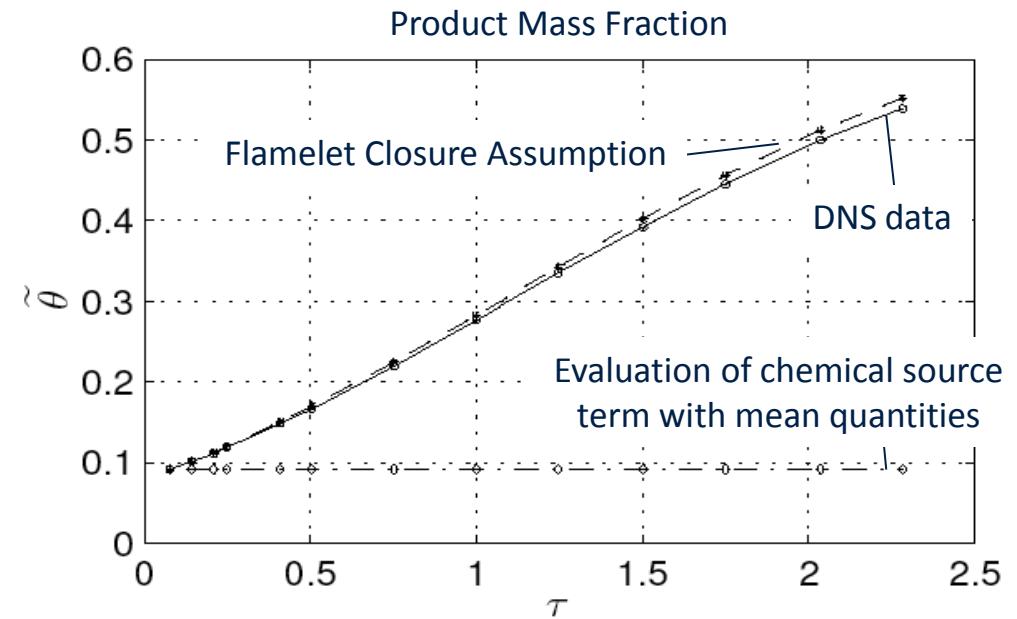
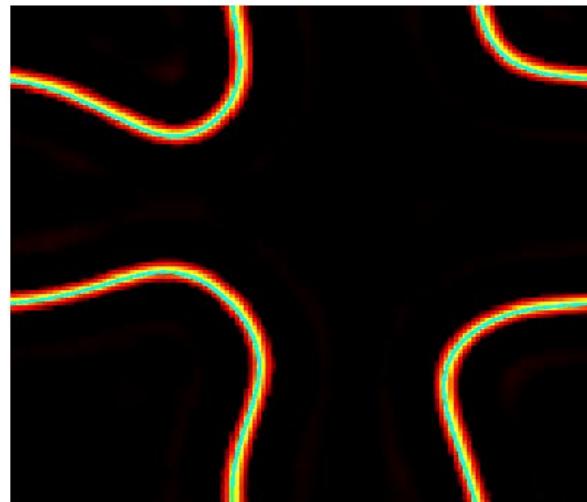
- One step global reaction

$$\widetilde{\dot{m}'''_\alpha} = M_\alpha \frac{\rho^2}{M_F M_O} Y_F Y_O A \exp \left(- \frac{E}{R T} \right)$$

- Decaying isotropic turbulence

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\rho} \tilde{Y}_\alpha}{\partial t} = \widetilde{\dot{m}'''_\alpha}$$

Example: Non-Premixed Combustion in Isotropic Turbulence



→ Closure by mean values does not work!

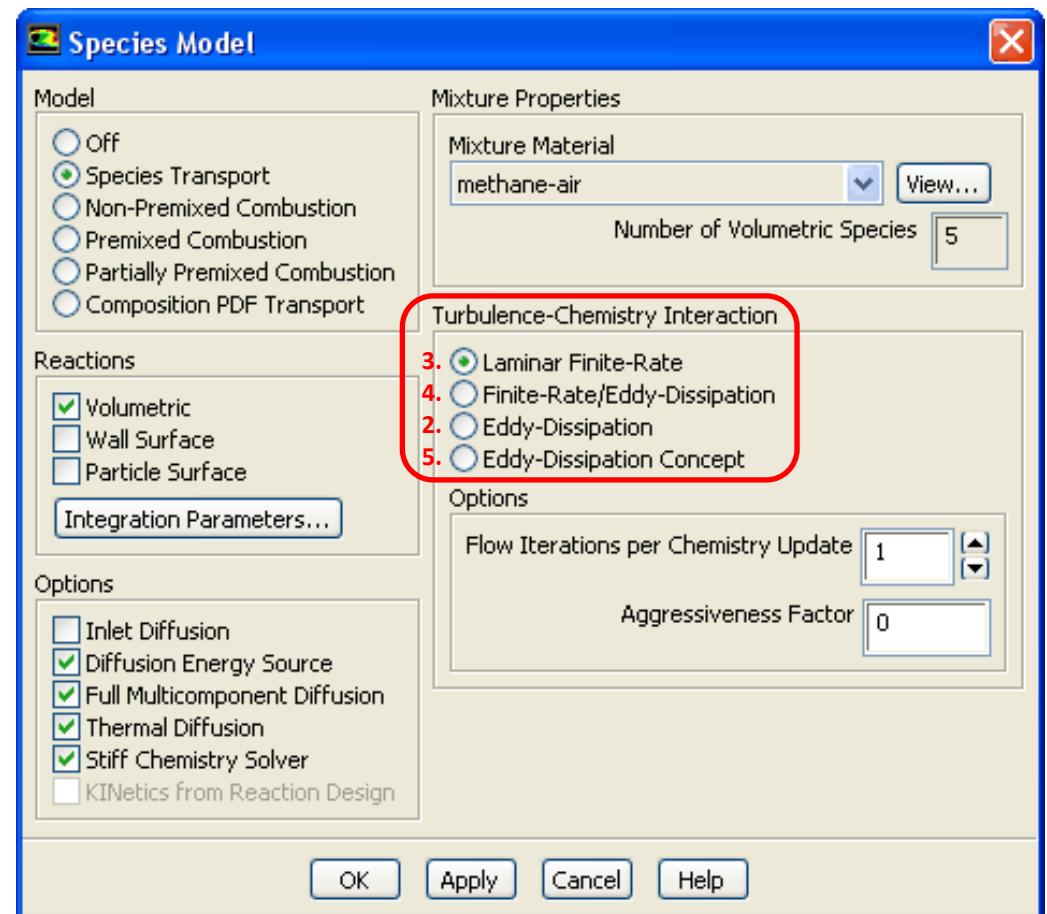
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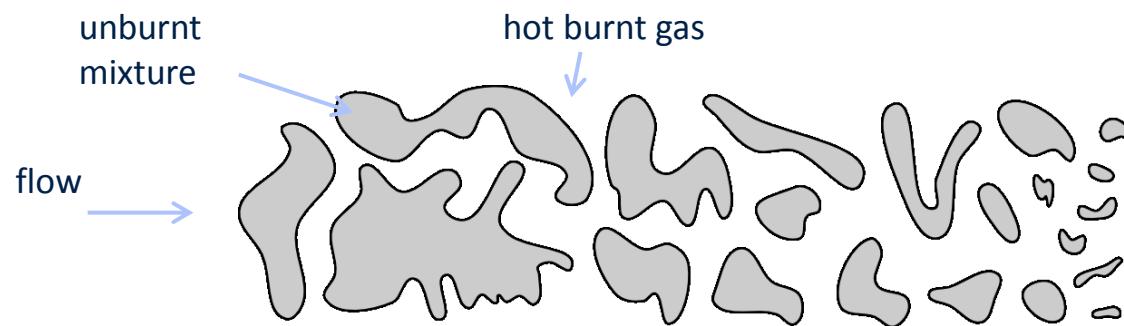
- Example: standard models in Fluent
- Very simple models, e.g. based on
 - very fast chemistry
 - no consideration of turbulence



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1. Eddy-Break-Up-Model

First approach for closing the chemical source term was made by Spalding (1971) in **premixed combustion**



- Assumption: **very fast chemistry** (after pre-heating)
 - Combustion process
 - Breakup of eddies from the unburnt mixture → **smaller eddies**
 - Large surface area (with hot burnt gas)
 - Duration of this breakup determines the pace
- **Eddy-Break-Up-Model (EBU)**

1. Eddy-Break-Up-Modell

- Averaged turbulent reaction rate for the products

$$\bar{\omega}_P = \rho C_{EBU} \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \left(\overline{Y_P''^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

- $\overline{Y_P''^2}$: variance of mass fraction of the product
 - C_{EBU} : Eddy-Break-Up constant
 - EBU-modell
 - turbulent mixing sufficiently describes the combustion process
 - chemical reaction rate is negligible
 - Problems with EGR, lean/rich combustion
- Further development by Magnussen & Hjertager (1977): Eddy-Dissipation-Model (EDM)...

2. Eddy-Dissipation-Model

- EDM: typical model for eddy breakup
 - Assumption: **very fast chemistry**
 - Turbulent mixing time is the dominant time scale

$$\tilde{S}_i \sim \tau^{-1} = \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}}{\tilde{k}}$$

- Chemical source term

$$\tilde{S}_i = A \nu'_i M_i \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}}{\tilde{k}} \min \left(\frac{\tilde{Y}_E}{\nu'_E M_E}, B \frac{\sum \tilde{Y}_P}{\sum \nu''_P M_P} \right)$$

- Y_E, Y_P : mass fraction of reactant/product
- A, B: Model parameter (determined by experiment)

2. Eddy-Dissipation-Model

Example: diffusion flame, one step reaction



- $Y_F > Y_{F,st}$, therefore $Y_O < Y_F \rightarrow Y_E = Y_O$

$$\tilde{S}_F = A \nu'_F M_F \frac{\tilde{\varepsilon}}{\tilde{k}} \frac{\tilde{Y}_O}{\nu'_O M_O} = A \frac{\tilde{\varepsilon}}{\tilde{k}} \tilde{Y}_{F,st}$$

- $Y_F < Y_{F,st} \rightarrow Y_E = Y_F$

$$\tilde{S}_F = A \nu'_F M_F \frac{\tilde{\varepsilon}}{\tilde{k}} \frac{\tilde{Y}_F}{\nu'_F M_F} = A \frac{\tilde{\varepsilon}}{\tilde{k}} \tilde{Y}_F$$

Summary EDM

- Controlled by mixing
- Very fast chemistry
- Application: turbulent premixed and nonpremixed combustion
- Connects turbulent mixing with chemical reaction
 - rich or lean?
→ full or partial conversion
- Advantage: simple and robust model
- Disadvantage
 - No effects of chemical non-equilibrium (formation of NO, local extinction)
 - Areas of finite-rate chemistry:
 - Fuel consumption is overestimated
 - Locally too high temperatures

3. Finite-Rate-Chemistry-Model (FRCM)

- Chemical conversion with **finite-rate**
- Capable of **reverse reactions**
- Chemical source term for species i in a reaction α

$$\tilde{S}_{i,\alpha} = \tilde{\Gamma} M_i (\nu''_{i,\alpha} - \nu'_{i,\alpha}) \left(k_{f,\alpha} \prod_i \left[\frac{\bar{\rho} \tilde{Y}_i}{M_i} \right]^{\nu'_{i,\alpha}} - k_{b,\alpha} \prod_i \left[\frac{\bar{\rho} \tilde{Y}_i}{M_i} \right]^{\nu''_{i,\alpha}} \right)$$

- $k_{f,\alpha}, k_{b,\alpha}$: reaction rates(determined by Arrhenius kinetic expressions $\rightarrow f(\tilde{T})$)
- $\tilde{\Gamma}$ models the influence of third bodies

$$\tilde{\Gamma} = \sum \gamma_{i,\alpha} \frac{\bar{\rho} \tilde{Y}_i}{M_i}$$

- Linearization of the source term centered on the operating point
 \rightarrow Integration into equations for species, larger Δt realizable
- Typical approach for **detailed computation of homogeneous systems**

Summary FRCM

- Chemistry-controlled
- Appropriate for $t_{\text{chemistry}} > t_{\text{mixng}}$ (laminar/laminar-turbulent)
- Application
 - Laminar-turbulent
 - Non-premixed
- Source term: Arrhenius ansatz
 - Mean values for temperature in Arrhenius expression
 - Effects of turbulent fluctuations are ignored
 - Temperature locally too low
- Consideration of non-equilibrium effects

4. Combination EDM/FRCM

- Turbulent flow
 - Areas with **high turbulence** and intense mixing
 - Laminar structures
- Concept: **Combination of EDM and FRCM**
 - For each cell: computation of both reaction rates r_i^{EDM} and r_i^{FRCM}
 - The smaller one is picked (determines the reaction rate)

$$r_i = \min(r_i^{\text{EDM}}, r_i^{\text{FRCM}})$$

- Chooses **locally between chemistry- and mixing-controlled**
- Advantage: Meant for large range of applicability
 - Disadvantage: no turbulence/chemistry interaction

5. Eddy-Dissipation-Concept (EDC)

- Extension of EDM → Considers detailed reaction kinetics
- Assumption: Reactions on small scales („*“: fine scale)

$$\xi^* = C_\xi \left(\frac{\nu \tilde{\varepsilon}}{\tilde{k}^2} \right)^{1/4}$$

Fluent: $C_\xi = 2,1377$

- Volume of small scales: ξ^{*3}
- Reaction rates are determined by Arrhenius expression (cf. FRCM)
- Time scale of the reactions

$$\tau^* = C_\tau \left(\frac{\nu}{\tilde{\varepsilon}} \right)^{1/2}$$

Fluent: $C_\tau = 0,4082$

5. Eddy-Dissipation-Concept (EDC)

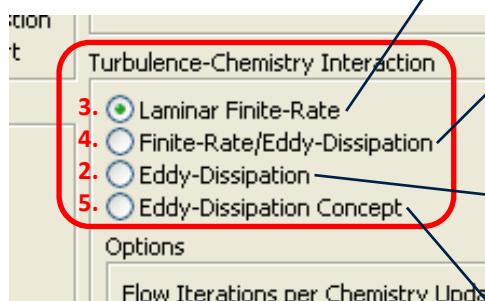
- Boundary/initial conditions for reactions (on small scales)
 - Assumption: pressure $p = \text{const.}$
 - Initial condition: temperature and species concentration in a cell
 - Reactions on time scale τ^*
 - Numerical integration (e.g. ISAT-Algorithm) $\rightarrow \widetilde{Y}_i^*$
- Model for source term

$$\widetilde{S}_i = \frac{\xi^{*2}}{\tau^*[1 - \xi^{*3}]} (\widetilde{Y}_i^* - \widetilde{Y}_i)$$

- Problem:
 - Requires a lot of processing power
 - Stiff differential equation

Mass fraction on small scales of species i after reaction time τ^*

Summary: Simple Combustion Models



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Solely calculation by **Arrhenius equation**
→ turbulence is not considered

Calculation of Arrhenius reaction rate and
mixing rate; selection of the smaller one
→ **local choice: laminar/turbulent**

Solely calculation of **mixing rate**
→ Chemical kinetic is not considered

Modeling of **turbulence/chemistry**
interaction; detailed chemistry

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Introduction to Statistical Methods

- Introduction to statistical methods
 - Sample space
 - Probability
 - Cumulative distribution function(CDF)
 - Probability density function(PDF)
 - Examples for CDFs/PDFs
 - Moments of a PDF
 - Joint statistics
 - Conditional statistics
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- Pope, „Turbulent Flows“

Sample Space

- Probability of events in sample space

- Sample space: set of all possible events

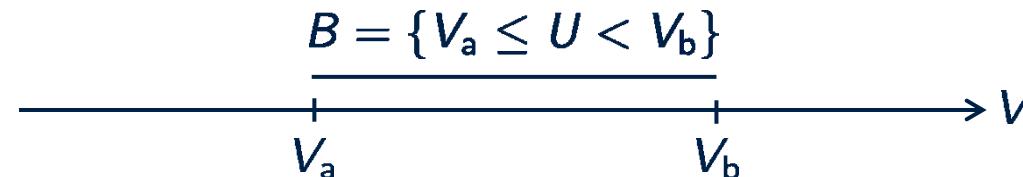
- Random variable U

- Sample space variable V (independent variable)

- Event A



- Event B

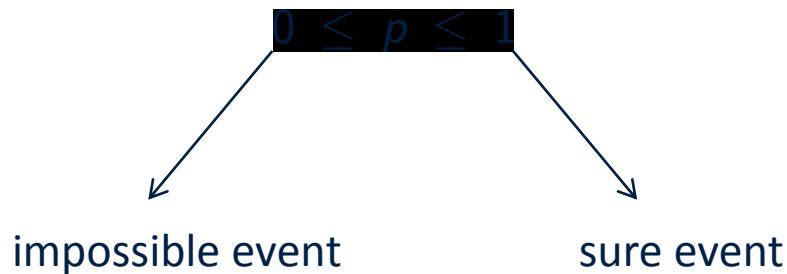


Probability

- Probability of the event $A = \{U < V_a\}$

$$p = P(A) = P\{U < V_a\}$$

- Probability p



Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

- Probability of any event can be determined from **cumulative distribution function (CDF)**

$$F(V) = P\{U < V\}$$

- Event A

$$A = \{U < V_a\}$$



$$P(A) = P\{U < V_a\} = F(V_a)$$

- Event B

$$B = \{V_a \leq U < V_b\}$$



$$\begin{aligned}P(B) &= P\{V_a \leq U < V_b\} \\&= P\{U < V_b\} - P\{U < V_a\} \\&= F(V_b) - F(V_a)\end{aligned}$$

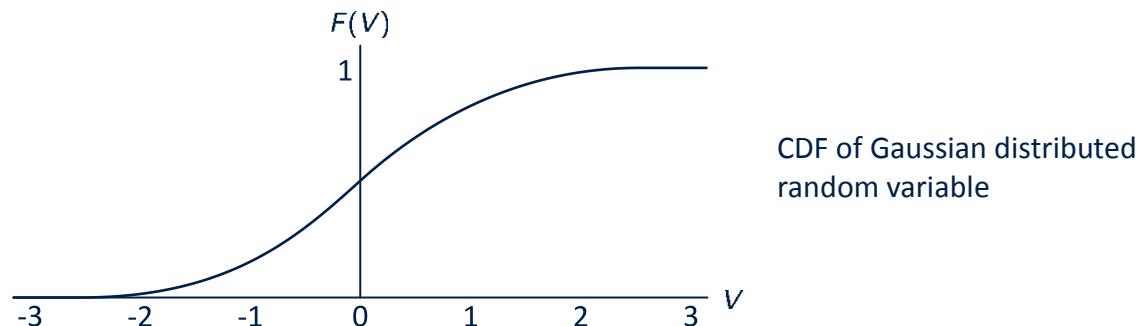
Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

- Three basic properties of a CDF
 1. Occuring of event $\{U < -\infty\}$ is impossible $\rightarrow F(-\infty) = 0$
 2. Occuring of event $\{U < +\infty\}$ is sure $\rightarrow F(+\infty) = 1$
 3. F is a non-decreasing function

$$F(V_b) \geq F(V_a) \quad \text{für} \quad V_b > V_a$$

as

$$F(V_b) - F(V_a) = P\{V_a \leq U < V_b\} \geq 0$$



Probability Density Function (PDF)

- Derivative of the CDF → probability density function

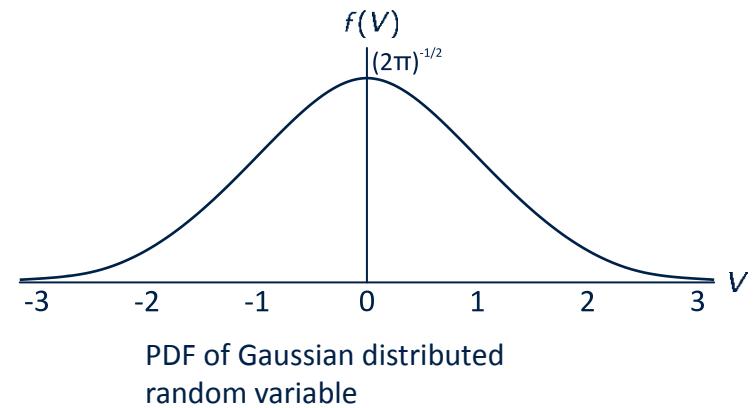
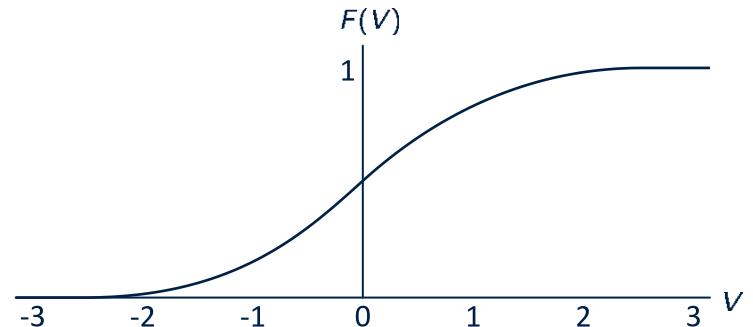
$$f(V) = \frac{dF(V)}{dV}$$

- Three basic properties of a PDF
 - CDF non-decreasing
→ PDF $f(V) \geq 0$
 - Satisfies the normalization condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(V)dV = 1$$

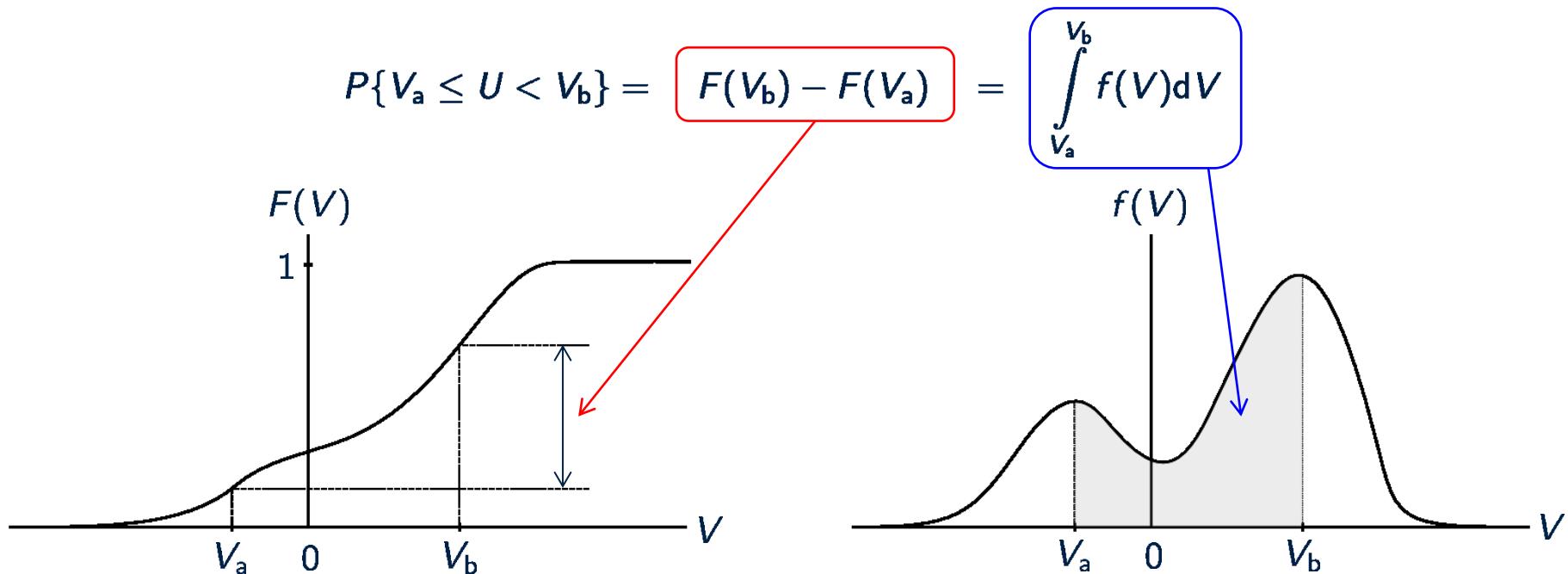
- For infinite sample space variable

$$f(-\infty) = f(+\infty) = 0$$



Probability Density Function (PDF)

- Examining the particular interval $V_a \leq U < V_b$



- Interval $V_b - V_a \rightarrow 0$: $P\{V \leq U < V + dV\} = F(V + dV) - F(V) = f(V)dV$

Example for CDF/PDF

Uniform distribution

$$f(V) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a}, & \text{for } a \leq V < b, \\ 0, & \text{for } V < a \text{ and } V \geq b. \end{cases}$$

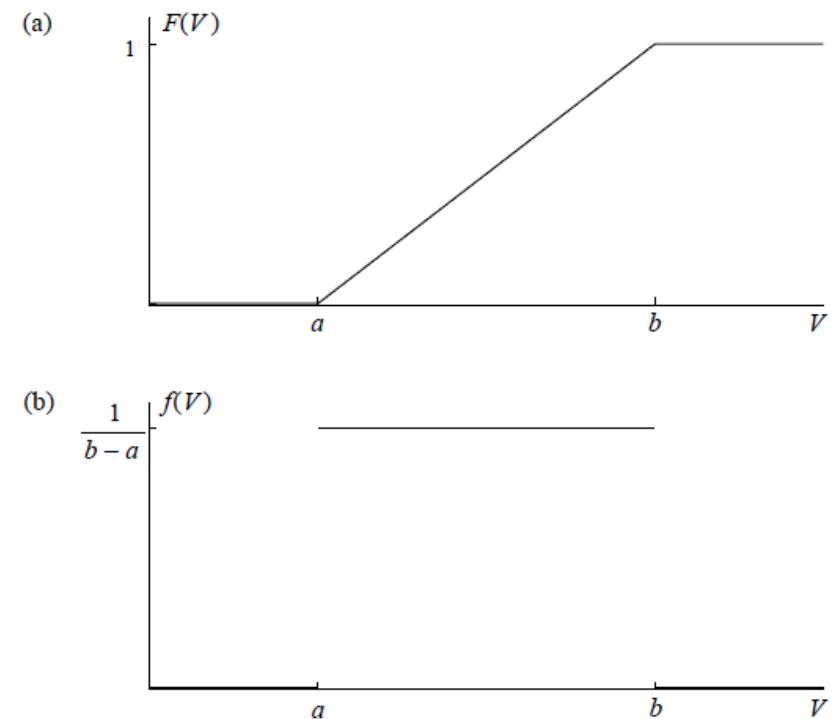


Figure 3.5: The CDF (a) and the PDF (b) of a uniform random variable (Eq. (3.39)).

Source:
Pope, „Turbulent Flows“

Example for CDF/PDF

Exponential distribution

$$f(V) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\lambda} \exp(-V/\lambda), & \text{for } V \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{for } V < 0. \end{cases}$$

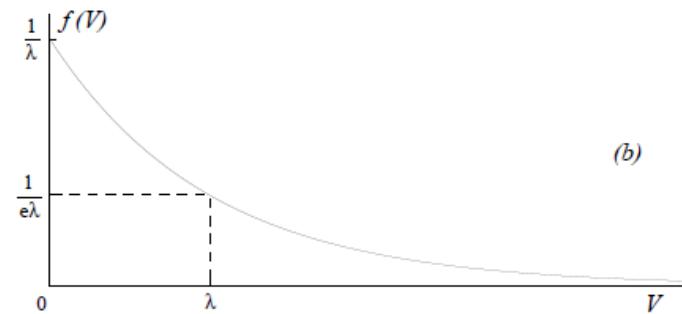
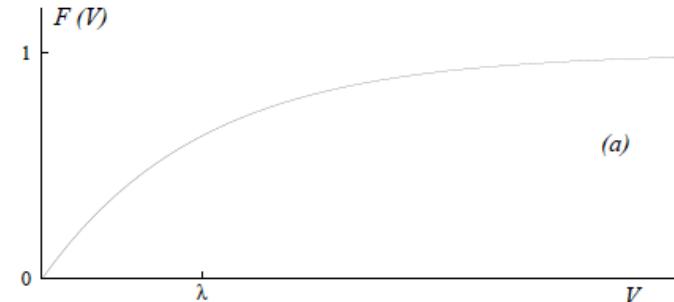


Figure 3.6: The CDF (a) and PDF (b) of an exponentially-distributed random variable (Eq. (3.40)).

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Example for CDF/PDF

Normal distribution

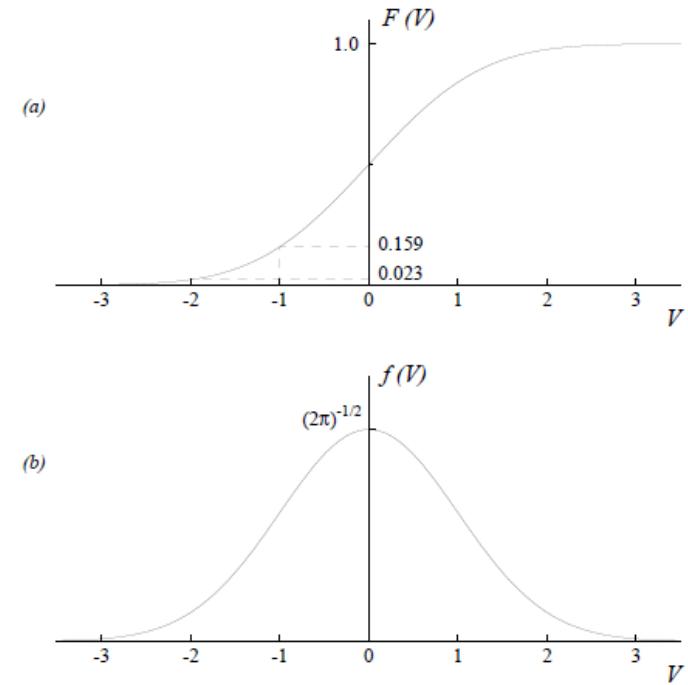


Figure 3.7: The CDF (a) and PDF (b) of a standardized Gaussian random variable.

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Example for CDF/PDF

Delta-function distribution

$$F(V) = P\{U < V\} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } V \leq a, \\ p, & \text{for } a < V \leq b, \\ 1, & \text{for } V > b, \end{cases}$$

or

$$F(V) = pH(V - a) + (1 - p)H(V - b).$$

$$f(V) = p\delta(V - a) + (1 - p)\delta(V - b)$$

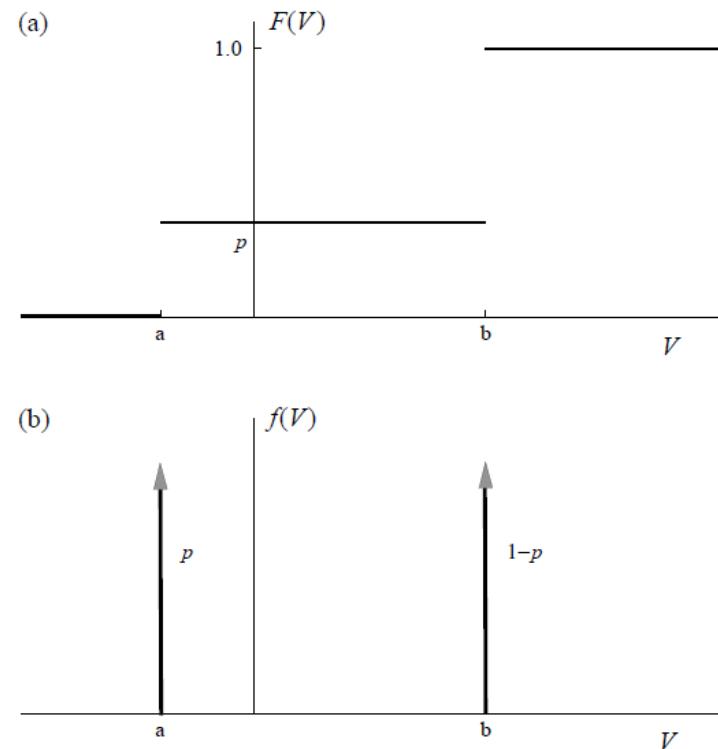


Figure 3.10: The CDF (a) and the PDF (b) of the discrete random variable U , Eq. (3.69).

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Moments of a PDF

- PDF of U is known → n -th moment

$$\overline{U^n} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V^n f(V) dV$$

- For any function of V , e.g. $Q(V)$

$$\overline{Q(U)^n} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q(V)^n f(V) dV$$

- Example: first moment ($n = 1$): mean of U

$$\overline{U} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V f(V) dV$$

Central Moments

- *n*-th central moment

$$\mu_n = \overline{(U - \bar{U})^n} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (V - \bar{U})^n f(V) dV$$

- Example: second central moment ($n = 2$): variance of U

$$\overline{U'^2} = \overline{(U - \bar{U})^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (V - \bar{U})^2 f(V) dV$$

Joint Cumulative Density Function

- Joint CDF (jCDF) of random variables U_1, U_2 (in general $U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots$)

$$F_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) = P\{U_1 < V_1, U_2 < V_2\}$$

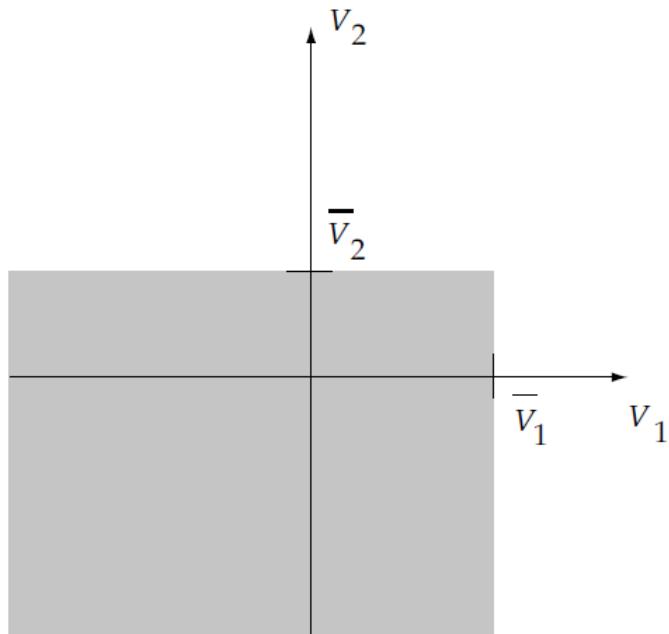


Figure 3.14: The V_1 - V_2 sample space showing the region corresponding to the event $\{U_1 < \bar{V}_1, U_2 < \bar{V}_2\}$.

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Joint Cumulative Density Function

- Basic properties of a jCDF
 - Non-decreasing function

$$F_{1,2}(V_1 + \delta V_1, V_2 + \delta V_2) \geq F_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) \quad \text{für} \quad \delta V_1, \delta V_2 \geq 0$$

- Since $\{U_1 < -\infty\}$ is impossible \rightarrow

$$F_{1,2}(-\infty, V_2) = P\{U_1 < -\infty, U_2 < V_2\} = 0$$

- Since $\{U_1 < +\infty\}$ is certain \rightarrow

$$F_{1,2}(+\infty, V_2) = P\{U_1 < +\infty, U_2 < V_2\} = P\{U_2 < V_2\} = F_2(V_2)$$

equally

 marginal CDF $\longrightarrow F_1(V_1) = F_{1,2}(V_1, \infty)$

Joint Probability Density Function

- Joint PDF (jPDF)

$$f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) = \frac{\partial^2 F_{1,2}(V_1, V_2)}{\partial V_1 \partial V_2}$$

- Fundamental property:

$$P\{V_{1a} \leq U_1 < V_{1b}, V_{2a} \leq U_2 < V_{2b}\} = \int_{V_{1a}}^{V_{1b}} \int_{V_{2a}}^{V_{2b}} f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) dV_2 dV_1$$

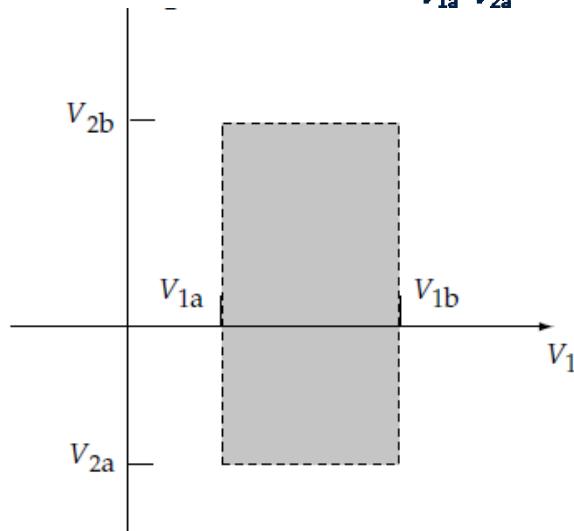


Figure 3.15: The V_1 - V_2 sample space showing the region corresponding to the event $\{V_{1a} \leq U_1 < V_{1b}, V_{2a} \leq U_2 < V_{2b}\}$, see Eq. (3.87).

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Joint Probability Density Function

- Basic properties of a jPDF
 - Non-negative:

$$f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) \geq 0$$

- Satisfies the normalization condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) dV_2 dV_1 = 1$$

- Marginal PDF

$$f_2(V_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) dV_1$$

Joint Statistics

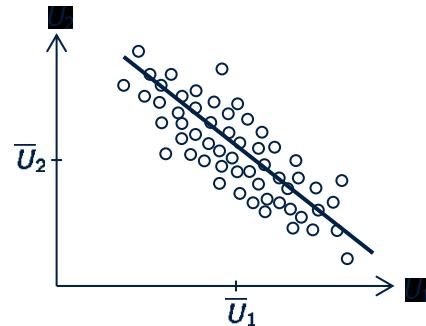
- For a function $Q(U_1, U_2, \dots)$

$$\overline{Q(U_1, U_2, \dots)^n} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \dots Q(V_1, V_2, \dots)^n f_{1,2,\dots}(V_1, V_2, \dots) \dots dV_2 dV_1$$

From joint pdf of V , all moments can be obtained for all functions of V

- Example: $i = 1, 2; n = 1; Q = (U_1 - \bar{U}_1)(U_2 - \bar{U}_2)$, covariance of U_1 and U_2

Scatterplot of two velocity-components U_1 and U_2



$$\overline{U'_1 U'_2} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (V_1 - \bar{U}_1)(V_2 - \bar{U}_2) f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) dV_2 dV_1$$

- Covariance shows the correlation of two variables

Conditional PDF

- PDF of U_2 conditioned on $U_1 = V_1$

$$f_{2|1}(V_2|U_1 = V_1) = f_{2|1}(V_2|V_1) = \frac{f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2)}{f_1(V_1)}$$

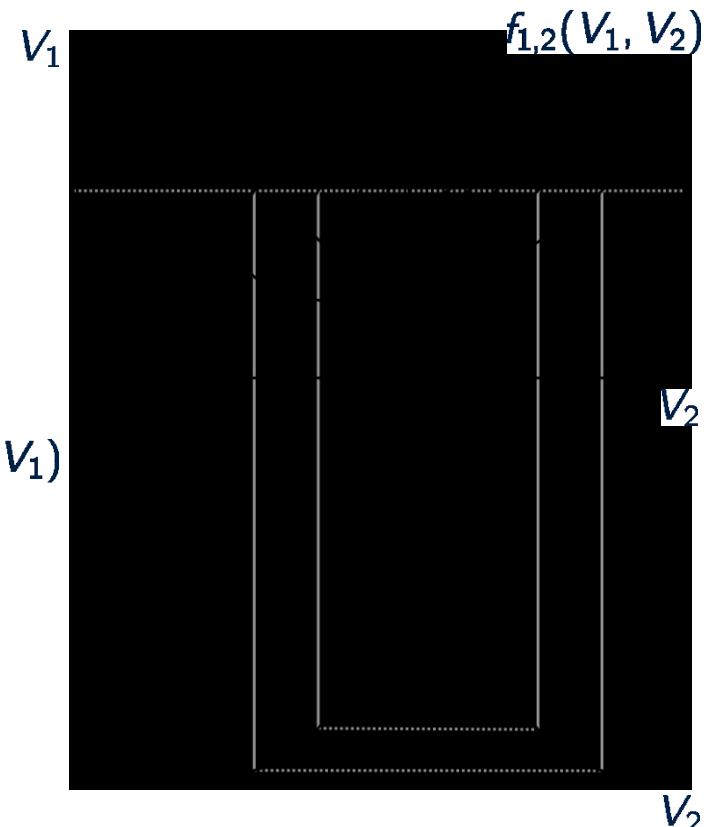
↑
Bayes-Theorem

- jPDF $f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2)$ scaled so that it satisfies the normalization condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{2|1}(V_2|V_1) dV_2 = 1$$

- Conditional mean of a function $Q(U_1, U_2)$

$$\overline{Q(U_1, U_2)|U_1 = V_1} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} Q(V_1, V_2) f_{2|1}(V_2|V_1) dV_2$$



Statistical Independence

- If U_1 and U_2 are statistically independent, conditioning has no effect

$$f_{2|1}(V_2|V_1) = f_2(V_2)$$

- Bayes-Theorem

$$f_{2|1}(V_2|V_1) = \frac{f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2)}{f_1(V_1)} \Rightarrow f_1(V_1)f_{2|1}(V_2|V_1) = f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2)$$

- Therefore:

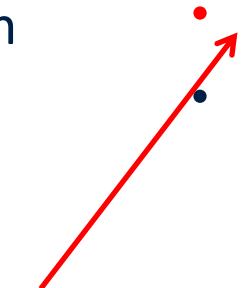
$$f_{1,2}(V_1, V_2) = f_1(V_1)f_2(V_2)$$

- Independent variables \rightarrow uncorrelated
- In general the converse is not true

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The PDF Transport Equation Model

- Models based on a pdf transport equation for velocity and reactive scalars are usually formulated for one-point statistics
→ One-point/multi-variable joint statistics
- A transport equation for joint probability density function $P(\mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\psi} ; \mathbf{x}, t)$ of velocity \mathbf{v} and all reactive scalars $\boldsymbol{\psi}$ can be derived (cf. O'Brien, 1980; Pope, 1985, 2000)

$$\frac{\partial(\rho P)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} P) + (\rho \mathbf{g} - \nabla \bar{p}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} P + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi_i} [\omega_i P] = \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} \cdot [\langle -\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} + \nabla p' | \mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle P] - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi_i} [\langle \nabla \cdot (\rho D \nabla \psi_i) | \mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle P]$$

where $\nabla_{\mathbf{v}}$ is gradient with respect to velocity components, angular brackets are conditional means, and the same symbol is used for random and sample space variables

PDF Transport Equation: Formulation

- One-point/one-time joint velocity/scalar PDF transport equation

$$\frac{\partial(\rho P)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} P) + (\rho \mathbf{g} - \nabla \bar{p}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} P + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi_i} [\omega_i P] =$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{v}} \cdot [\langle -\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} + \nabla p' | \mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle P] - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi_i} [\langle \nabla \cdot (\rho D \nabla \psi_i) | \mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle P]$$

- First two terms on the l.h.s. are local change and convection in physical space
- Third term represents transport in velocity space by gravity and mean pressure
- Last term on l.h.s. contains chemical source terms
- All these terms are in closed form, since they are local in physical space
 - Pressure gradient does not present a closure problem, since pressure is calculated independently of pdf equation using mean velocity field
 - For chemically reacting flows, it is of particular interest that the chemical source terms can be treated exactly

PDF Transport Equation: Closure Problem

- One-point/one-time joint velocity/scalar PDF transport equation

$$\frac{\partial(\rho P)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} P) + (\rho \mathbf{g} - \nabla \bar{p}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} P + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi_i} [\omega_i P] =$$

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- First unclosed term on r.h.s. describes transport of PDF in velocity space induced by viscous stresses and fluctuating pressure gradient

- Second term represents transport in reactive scalar space by molecular fluxes



This term represents molecular mixing and is unclosed

PDF Transport Equation: Fast chemistry

- For **fast chemistry**, mixing and reaction take place in thin layers where molecular transport and the chemical source term balance each other
 - Hence, closed **chemical source term** and unclosed **molecular mixing** term are **closely linked** to each other
 - Pope and Anand (1984) have illustrated this for the case of premixed turbulent combustion by comparing a standard pdf closure for the molecular mixing term with a formulation, where the molecular diffusion term was combined with the chemical source term to define a modified reaction rate
 - They call the former distributed combustion and the latter flamelet combustion and find **considerable differences in the Damköhler number dependence** of the turbulent burning velocity normalized with the turbulent intensity

PDF Transport Equation: Application

- PDF transport equation is scalar equation in many dimensions
 - Mesh-based techniques not attractive for high-dimensional equations
 - Monte-Carlo simulation techniques (cf. Pope, 1981, 1985)
- Monte-Carlo methods represent PDF by large number of so-called notional particles
 - Particles should be considered different realizations of turbulent reactive flow
 - Statistical error decreases with $N^{1/2}$
 - Slow convergence
- Application mostly only for joint scalar PDF coupled with Eulerian RANS flow solver
 - Coupling between Lagrangian and Eulerian solver important
- Applications often in steady RANS
 - Large particle number achieved by time averaging

PDF Transport Equation: Application in LES

- Density weighted joined scalar filtered density function F_L (FDF) defined using filter kernel G

$$F_L(\psi; \mathbf{x}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho(\mathbf{y}, t) \xi[\psi, \phi(\mathbf{y}, t)] G(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{y}$$

- Note: FDF does not have the statistical properties as a PDF
- Challenges:
 - LES is unsteady
 - Large number of notional particles required in each cell at each point in time
 - Keep number of particles per cell uniform
 - Two-way conservative interpolation between particles and mesh
 - Large number of cells makes chemistry integration even more expensive
 - In situ adaptive tabulation
 - Eulerian/Lagrangian coupling needs to be achieved at all times

Application TPDF Model in LES of Turbulent Jet Flames

- LES/FDF of Sandia flames D and E (Raman & Pitsch, 2007)
 - Joint scalar pdf
 - Eulerian/Lagrangian coupling
 - Density computed through filtered enthalpy equation for improve numerical stability
 - Detailed chemical mechanism (19 species)
 - 30-50 particles per cell
 - Simple mixing model (Interaction by exchange with the mean, IEM)

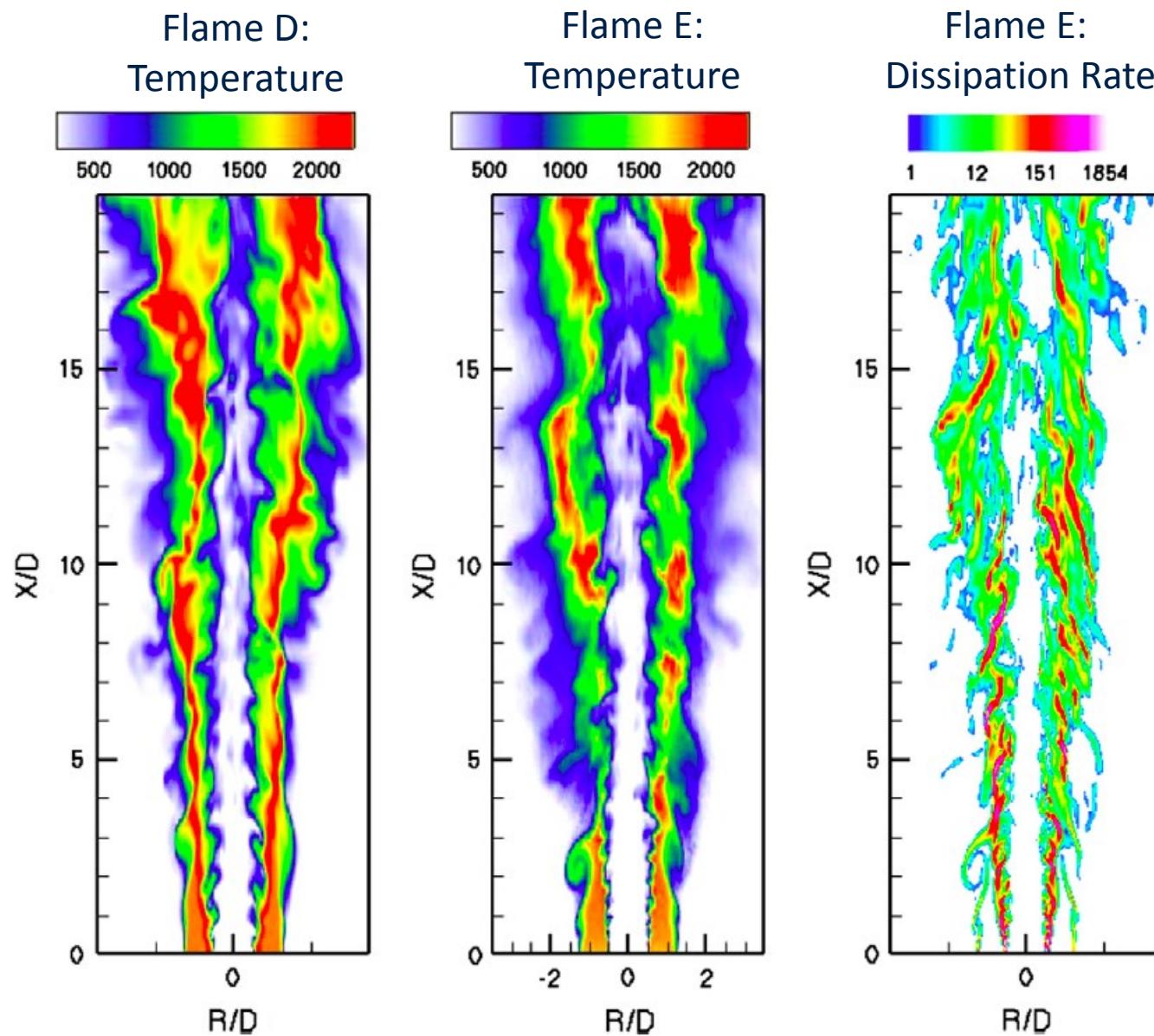
$$d\psi = -\frac{1}{\tau_\phi} (\psi - \tilde{\phi}) dt + S(\psi) dt$$

- Mixing time needs to be modeled → Usually $\tau_\phi = t_t / C_\phi$ where $C_\phi = \text{const}$
- Here, new dynamic model for C_ϕ
- Modeled stochastic differential equation for particle-position

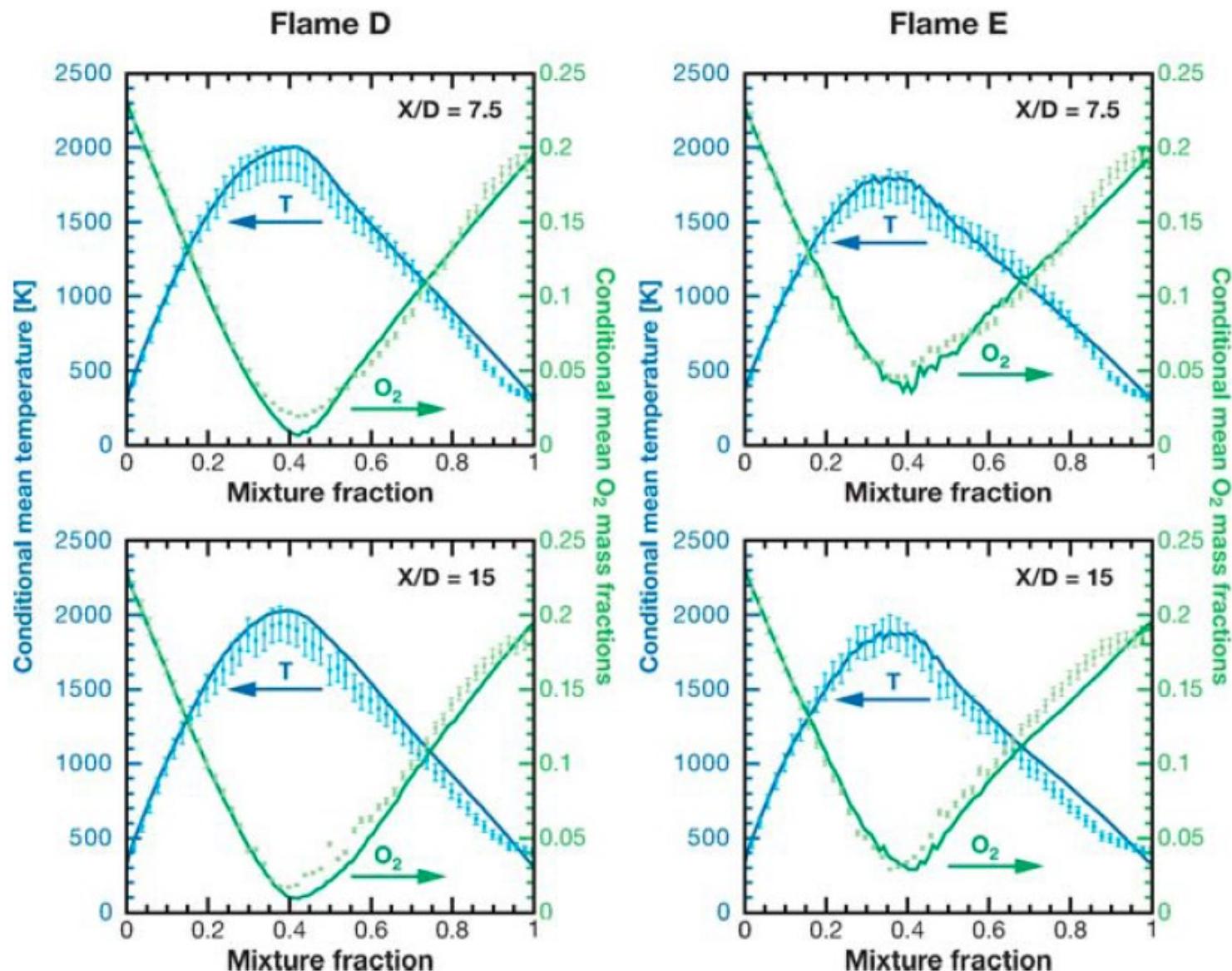
$$dx^* = \left[\tilde{\mathbf{u}} + \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \nabla \bar{\rho} (D + D_T) \right] dt + \sqrt{2(D + D_T)} dW,$$

¹ V. Raman and H. Pitsch, A consistent LES/filtered-density function formulation for the simulation of turbulent flames with detailed chemistry, Proc. Comb. Inst., 31, pp. 1711–1719, 2007.

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Bray-Moss-Libby-Model

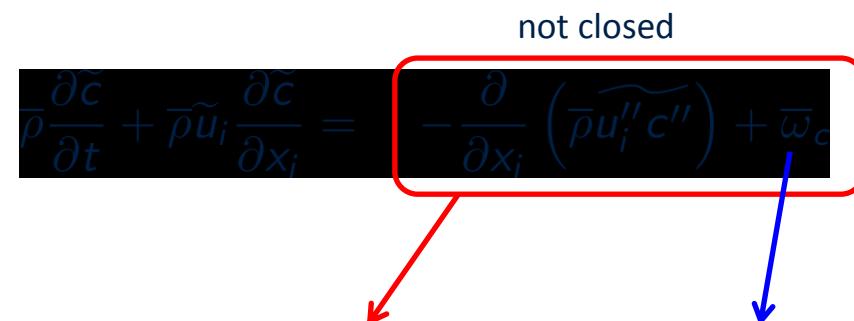
- Flamelet concept for premixed turbulent combustion: **Bray-Moss-Libby-Model (BML)**
- Premixed combustion: progress variable c , e.g.

$$c = \frac{T - T_u}{T_b - T_u} \quad \text{or} \quad c = \frac{Y_P}{Y_{P,b}}$$

- Favre averaged transport equation (neglecting the molecular transport)

$$\bar{\rho} \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial t} + \bar{\rho} \tilde{u}_i \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial x_i} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\bar{\rho} \widetilde{u'_i c''} \right) + \bar{\omega}_c$$

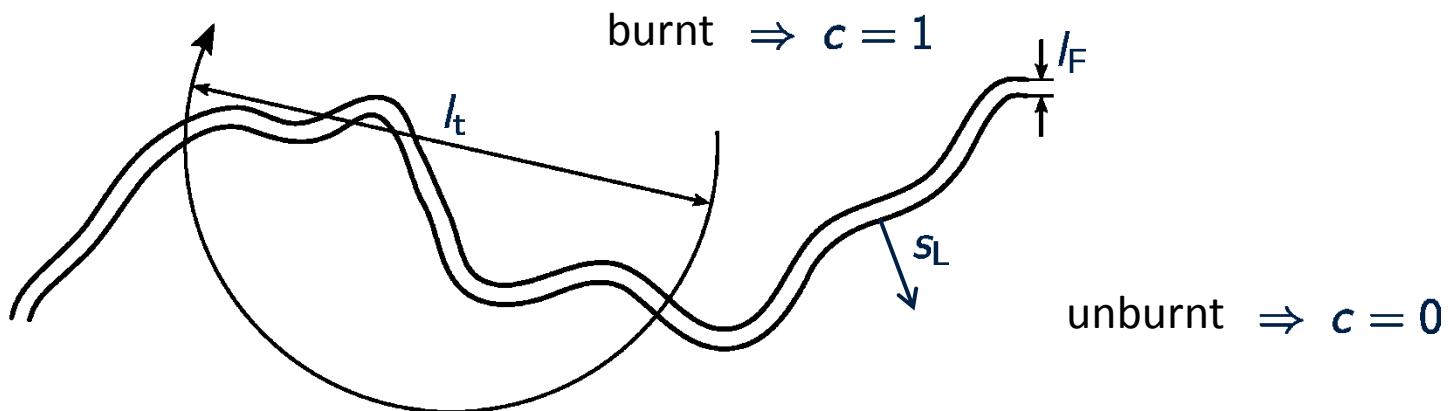
not closed



- Closure for **turbulent transport** and **chemical source term** by BML-Model

Bray-Moss-Libby-Model

- Assumption: very fast chemistry, flame size $I_F \ll \eta \ll I_t$



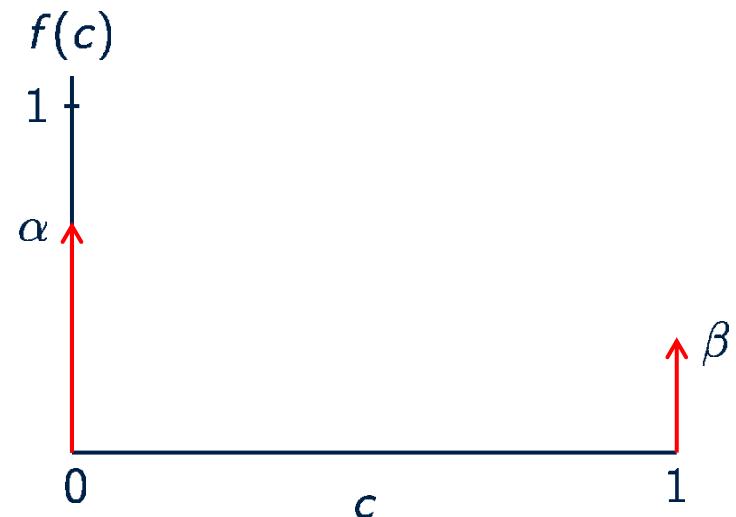
- Fuel conversion only in the area of **thin flame front**
→ in the flow field
 - Burnt mixture or
 - Unburnt mixture,
 - Intermediate states are very unlikely

Bray-Moss-Libby-Model

- Assumption: **progress variable** is expected **solely** to be $c = 0$ (unburnt) or $c = 1$ (burnt)
- Probability density function

$$f(c) = \alpha\delta(c) + \beta\delta(1 - c)$$

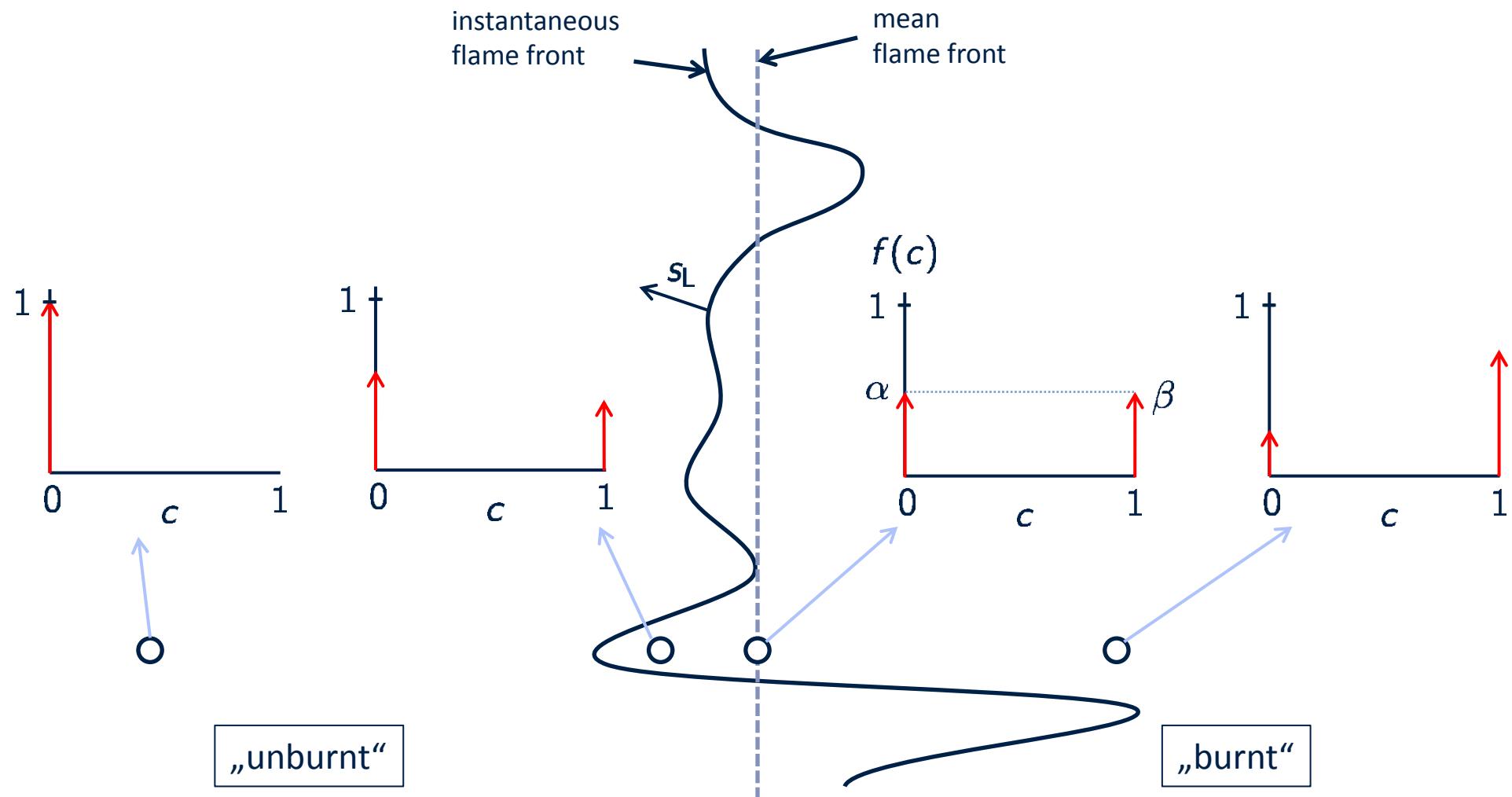
- α, β : probabilities, to encounter burnt or unburnt mixture in the flow field
- No intermediate states $\rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 1$
- δ : Delta function



$$\delta(c - c_0) = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{für } c = c_0 \\ 0 & \text{sonst} \end{cases} \quad \text{und}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(c)\delta(c - c_0) dc = g(c_0)$$

Bray-Moss-Libby-Model



BML-closure of Turbulent Transport

- For a Favre average

$$\tilde{Q} = \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \int_{c_{\min}}^{c_{\max}} \int_{u_{\min}}^{u_{\max}} \rho Q(u, c) f_{u,c}(u, c) du dc$$

- Therefore the unclosed correlation $\widetilde{u''c''}$
 - joint PDF for u and c

$$f_{u,c}(u, c) = f(c) f_{u|c}(u|c) \quad (\text{Bayes-Theorem})$$

- Introducing the BML approach for $f(c)$ leads to

$$f_{u,c}(u, c) = \underbrace{\alpha \delta(c) f_{u|c}(u|c=0)}_{\text{conditional PDF}} + \underbrace{\beta \delta(1-c) f_{u|c}(u|c=1)}_{\text{delta function}}$$

BML-closure of Turbulent Transport

- With

$$\tilde{Q} = \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \int_{c_{\min}}^{c_{\max}} \int_{u_{\min}}^{u_{\max}} \rho Q(u, c) f_{u,c}(u, c) du dc$$

follows

$$\widetilde{u''c''} = \overline{\rho u'' c''} = \overline{\rho(u - \bar{u})(c - \bar{c})} = \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \int_0^1 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(u - \bar{u})(c - \bar{c}) f_{u,c}(u, c) du dc = \dots$$

$$\widetilde{u''c''} = \bar{c}(1 - \bar{c})(\bar{u}_b - \bar{u}_u)$$

Bray-Moss-Libby-Model: „countergradient diffusion“

- Because of $\rho u = \text{const.} \rightarrow$ through flame front: $u \uparrow$ just as much as $\rho \downarrow \rightarrow$

$$(\bar{u}_b - \bar{u}_u) > 0$$

- Because of $c \geq 0 \rightarrow$

$$\widetilde{u''c''} = \tilde{c}(1 - \tilde{c})(\bar{u}_b - \bar{u}_u) \geq 0$$

- Within the flame zone

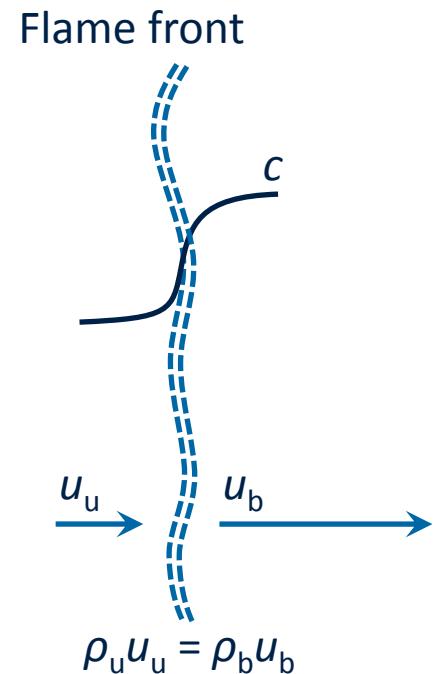
$$\frac{\partial \tilde{c}}{\partial x} \geq 0$$

conflict

- Gradient transport assumption would be

$$\widetilde{u''c''} = -D_t \frac{\partial \tilde{c}}{\partial x_i} \leq 0$$

- Conflict: „countergradient diffusion“



BML-closure of Chemical Source Term

- Closure by BML-model $f(c)$ leads to $\bar{\omega}_c = 0$
- Closure of the chemical source term, e.g. by flame-surface-density-model

$$\bar{\omega}_c = \rho_u s_L^0 l_0 \Sigma$$

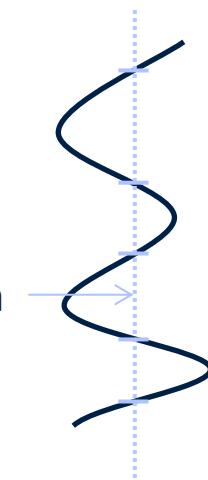
local mass conversion
per area

Flächen-Dichte
(flame area per volume)

- l_0 : strain factor → local increase of burning velocity by strain
- Flame-surface-density Σ
 - e.g. algebraic model:
- Or transport equation for Σ

$$\Sigma \sim \frac{\bar{c}(1-\bar{c})}{L_y}$$

Flame crossing length



BML-closure of Chemical Source Term

- Transport equation for Σ

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i \Sigma}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} D_t \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial x_i} + C_1 \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \Sigma - C_2 s_L \frac{\Sigma^2}{1 - \bar{\sigma}}$$

local change convective change turbulent transport production due to stretching of the flame flame-annihilation

- No chemical time scale
 - Turbulent time ($\tau = k/\varepsilon$) is the determining time scale
 - Limit of **infinitely fast chemistry**
 - By using transport equations
→ model for chemical source term independent of s_L

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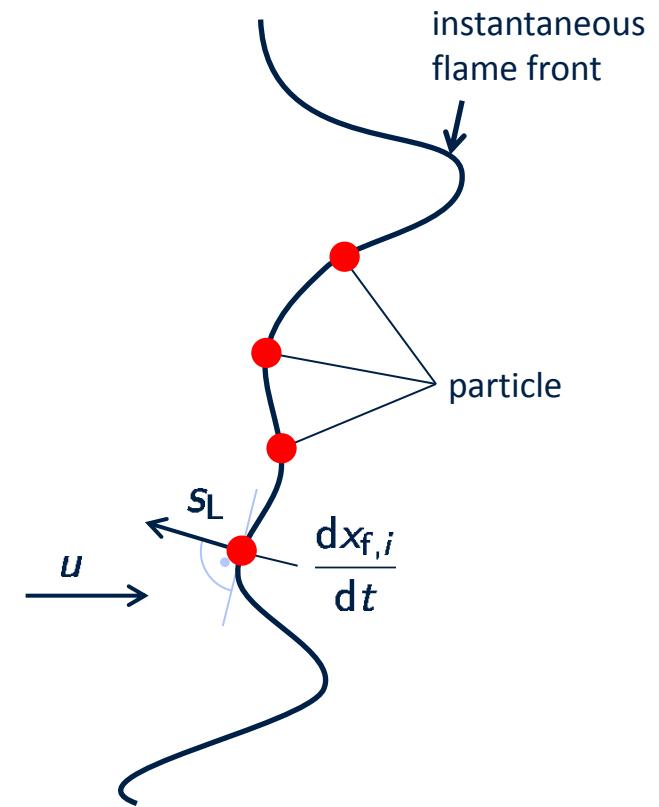


Level-Set-Approach

- Kinematics of the flame front by examining the movement of single **flame front-„particles“**
- Movement influenced by
 - Local **flow velocity** $u_i, i = 1, 2, 3$
 - **Burning velocity** s_L

$$\frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} = u_i + s_L \langle n_i \rangle$$

normal vector



G-Equation

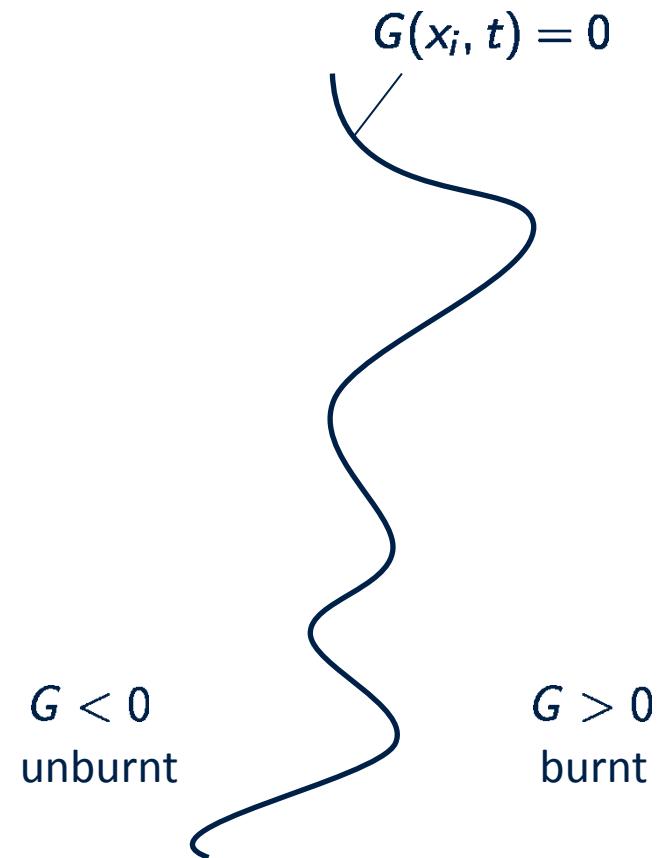
- Instead of observing a lot of particles → examination of a **scalar field G**

- Iso-surface G_0 is defined as the flame front

$$G(x_i, t) = G_0 = 0$$

- Substantial derivative** of G (on the flame front)

$$\frac{DG}{Dt} \equiv \boxed{\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = 0}$$



G-Equation for Premixed Combustion

- Kinematics

$$\frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} = u_i + s_L n_i$$

and

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

lead to

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = s_L |\nabla G|$$

normal vector

$$n_i = -\frac{\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i}}{|\nabla G|}$$

$$|\nabla G| = \sqrt{\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i}}$$

$$G(x_i, t) = 0$$

$$n$$

$G < 0$
unburnt

$G > 0$
burnt

→ G-Equation for premixed combustion

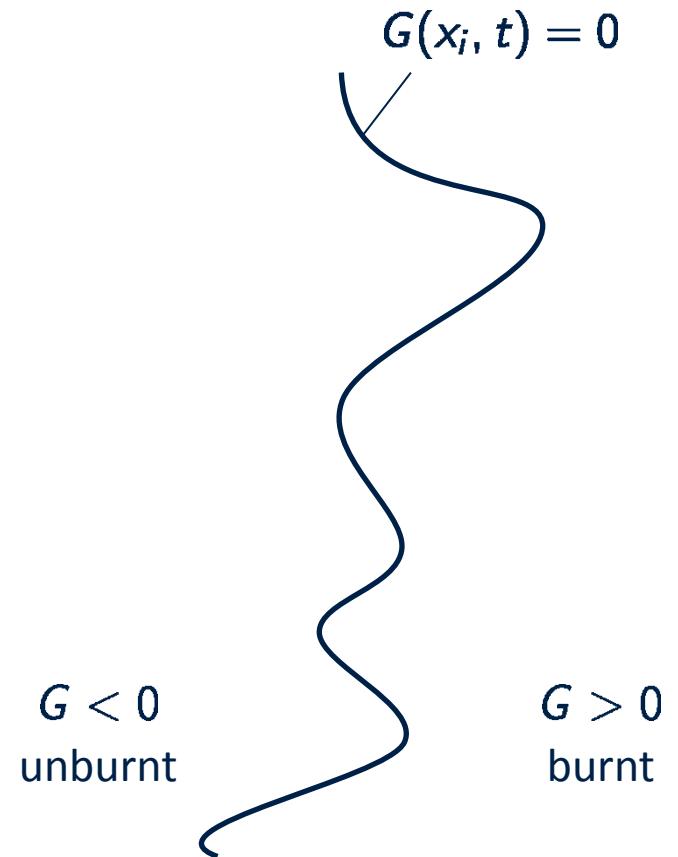
G-Equation in the Regime of Corrugated Flamelets

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = s_L |\nabla G|$$

local change convective change progress of flame front by burning velocity

- No diffusive term
- Can be applied for
 - Thin flames
 - Well-defined burning velocity

→ Regime of corrugated flamelets ($\eta \gg l_F \gg l_\delta$)

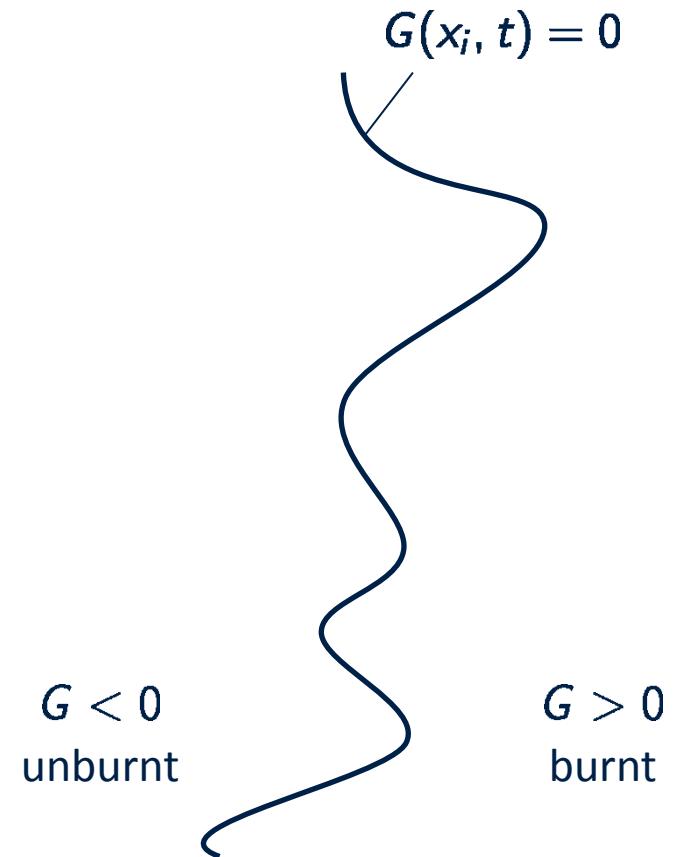


G-Equation in the Regime of Corrugated Flamelets

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = s_L |\nabla G|$$

- Kinematic equation $\rightarrow \neq f(\rho)$
- Valid for flame position: $G = G_0 (= 0)$
 - For solving the field equation, **G needs to be defined in the entire field**
 - Different possibilities to **define G**, e.g. signed distance function

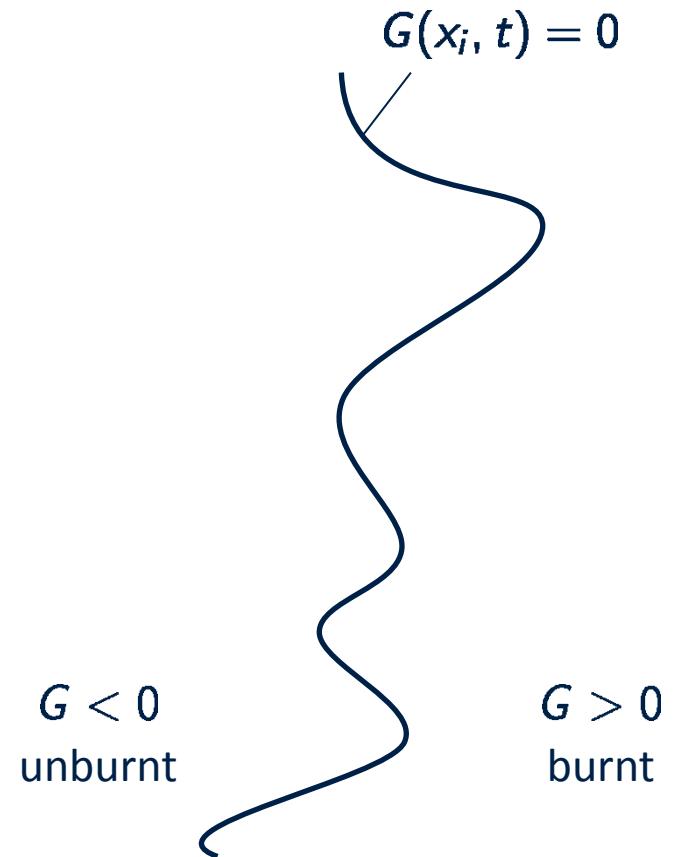
$$|\nabla G| = 1$$



$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = s_L |\nabla G|$$

- Influence of chemistry by s_L
- s_L not necessarily constant, influenced by
 - strain S
 - curvature κ
 - Lewis number effect
- Modified laminar burning velocity

$$s_L = s_L^0 - s_L^0 \mathcal{L} \kappa - \mathcal{L} S$$



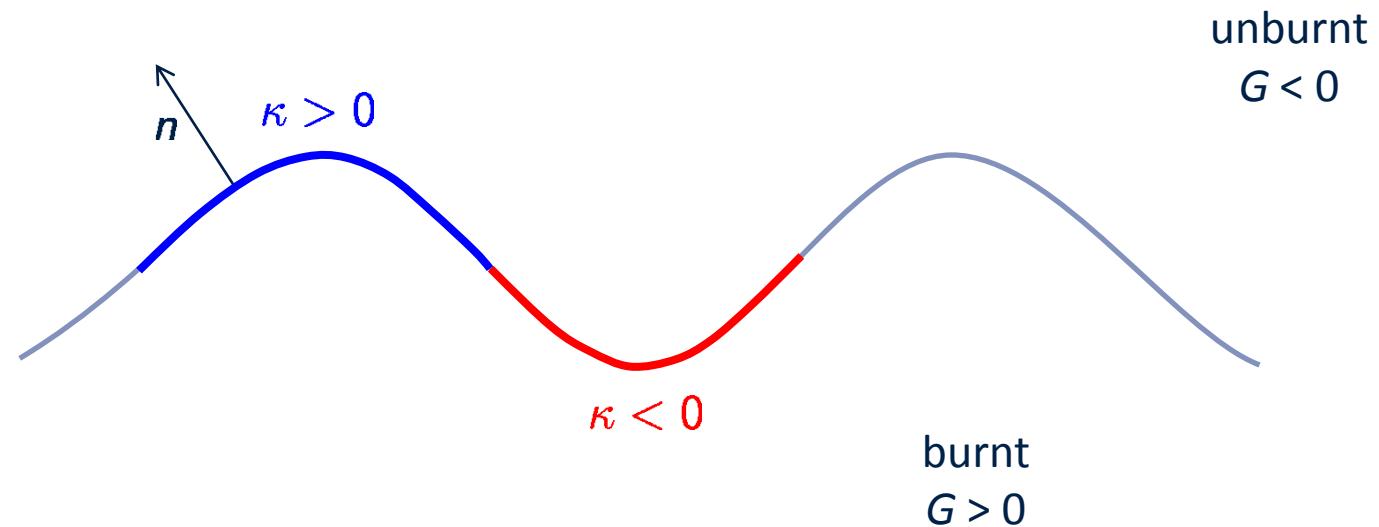
Laminar Burning Velocity: Curvature

influence of curvature

$$\kappa = \frac{\partial n_i}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(-\frac{\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i}}{|\nabla G|} \right)$$

uncorrected laminar
burning velocity

$$s_L = s_L^0 - s_L^0 \mathcal{L}\kappa - \mathcal{L}S$$



Laminar Burning Velocity: Markstein Length

uncorrected laminar
burning velocity

$$s_L = s_L^0 - s_L^0 \mathcal{L}_\kappa - \mathcal{L}_S$$

- **Markstein length**
 - Determined by experiment
 - Or by asymptotic analysis

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_u}{f_F} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \ln \left(\frac{1}{1-\gamma} \right) + \frac{Ze (Le - 1)}{2} \frac{(1-\gamma)}{\gamma} \int_0^{\gamma/(1-\gamma)} \frac{\ln(1+x_i)}{x_i} dx_i$$

$\frac{\mathcal{L}_u}{f_F}$
 density ratio Ze (Le - 1) $\int_0^{\gamma/(1-\gamma)} \frac{\ln(1+x_i)}{x_i} dx_i$
 Zeldovich number Lewis number

$$Ze = \frac{E}{RT_b} \frac{T_b - T_u}{T_b} \quad Le = \frac{\lambda}{\rho c_p D} = \frac{Sc}{Pr}$$

Extended G-Equation

uncorrected laminar burning velocity

influence of curvature

$$\kappa = \frac{\partial n_i}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(- \frac{\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i}}{|\nabla G|} \right)$$

influence of strain

$$S = -n_i \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} n_j$$

$$s_L = s_L^0 - s_L^0 \mathcal{L}\kappa - \mathcal{L}S$$

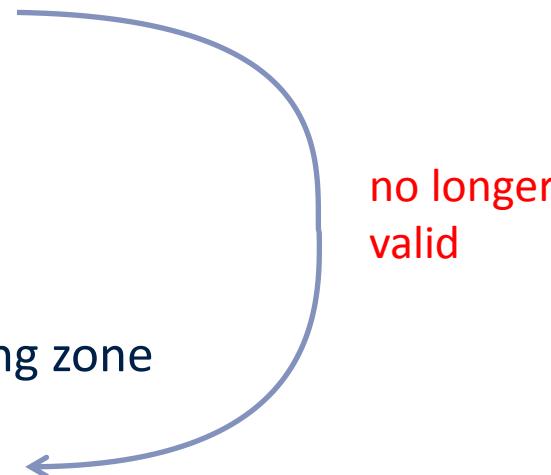
Markstein length

→ Extended G-Equation

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = (s_L^0 - s_L^0 \mathcal{L}\kappa - \mathcal{L}S) |\nabla G|$$

G-Equation: Corrugated Flamelets/Thin Reaction Zones

- Previous examinations limited to the regime of **corrugated flamelets**
 - Thin flame structures ($\eta \gg l_F \gg l_\delta$)
 - Laminar burning velocity well-defined
- Regime of **thin reaction zones**
 - Small scale eddies penetrate the preheating zone
 - Transient flow
 - Burning velocity not well-defined



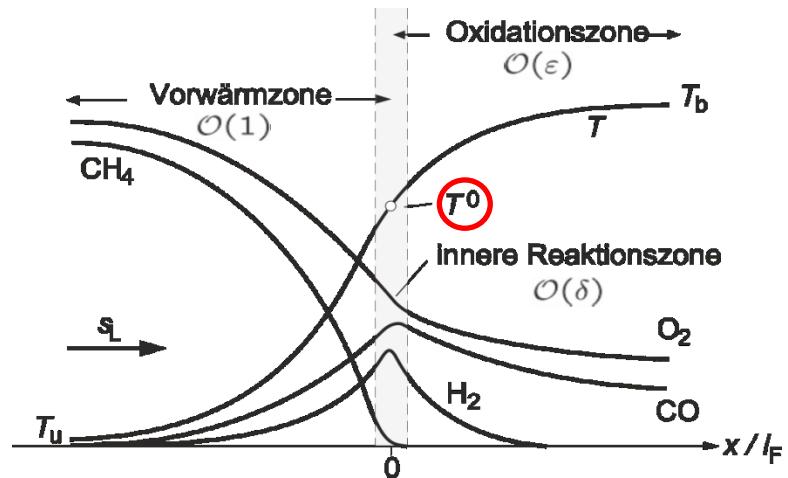
→ Problem: Level-Set-Approach valid in the regime of thin reaction zones?

G-Equation: Regime of Thin Reaction Zones

- Assumption: „ $G=0$ “ surface is represented by **inner reaction zone**
- Inner reaction zone
 - Thin compared to small scale eddies, $I_\delta \ll \eta$
 - Described by $T(x_i, t) = T^0$
- Temperature equation

$$\rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \rho u_i \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} \right) + \omega_T$$

- Iso temperature surface $T(x_i, t) = T^0$



$$\left. \frac{DT}{Dt} \right|_{T=T^0} \equiv \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} \frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} \right|_{T=T^0} = 0$$

← $\left(\text{cf. } \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} \frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} = 0 \right)$

- Equation of motion of the iso temperature surface $T(x_i, t) = T^0$

$$\frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} \Big|_{T=T^0} = u_{i,0} + n_i s_d \quad \xleftarrow{\text{(cf. } \frac{dx_{f,i}}{dt} = u_i + s_L n_i\text{)}}$$

- With the displacement speed s_d

$$s_d = \left[\frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \rho D \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} + \omega_T}{\rho |\nabla T|} \right]_{T=T_0}$$

- Normal vector

$$n_i = -\frac{\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i}}{|\nabla T|} \Big|_{T=T^0} \quad \xleftarrow{\text{(cf. } n_i = -\frac{\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i}}{|\nabla G|}\text{)}}$$

G-Equation: Regime of Thin Reaction Zones

- With $G_0 = T^0$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = \underbrace{\left[\frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \rho D \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} + \omega_T}{\rho |\nabla T|} \right]_0}_{s_d} |\nabla G|$$

Diffusion term \rightarrow normal diffusion ($\sim s_n$) and curvature term ($\sim \kappa$)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} \right) = \underbrace{n_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\rho D n_i \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} \right)}_{\sim s_n} - \rho D |\nabla T| \underbrace{\frac{\partial n_i}{\partial x_i}}_{\kappa}$$

\rightarrow G-equation for the regime of thin reaction zones

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = \left(\underbrace{s_n + s_r}_{=s_{L,s}} - D\kappa \right) |\nabla G| \Leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = s_{L,s} |\nabla G| - D\kappa |\nabla G|}$$

$s_r = \omega_T / (\rho |\nabla T|)$

Common Level Set Equation for Both Regimes

- Normalize G-equation with Kolmogorov scales (η, τ_η, u_η)

$$t^* = t/\tau_\eta,$$

$$x_i^* = x_i/\eta,$$

$$u_i^* = u_i/u_\eta,$$

$$\kappa^* = \eta\kappa,$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^*} = \eta \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

$$|\nabla^*| = \eta |\nabla|$$

leads to

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t^*} + u_i^* \nabla^* G = \frac{s_{L,S}}{u_\eta} |\nabla^* G| - \frac{D}{\nu} \kappa^* |\nabla^* G|$$

Order of Magnitude Analysis

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t^*} + u_i^* \nabla^* G = \frac{s_{L,s}}{u_\eta} |\nabla^* G| - \frac{D}{\nu} \kappa^* |\nabla^* G|$$
$$O(Ka^{-1/2}) \qquad \qquad O(1)$$

- Non dimensional →
→ Derivatives, $u_i^*, \kappa^* \approx O(1)$
- Typical flame
→ $Sc = v/D \approx 1 \rightarrow D/v = O(1)$
- Parameter: s_L/u_η
 - $Ka = u_\eta^2/s_L^2 \rightarrow s_L/u_\eta = Ka^{-1/2}$
 - $s_{L,s} \approx s_L$

G-Equation for both Regimes

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t^*} + u_i^* \nabla^* G = \frac{s_{L,s}}{u_n} |\nabla^* G| - \frac{D}{\nu} \kappa^* |\nabla^* G|$$

$O(Ka^{-1/2}) \qquad \qquad O(1)$

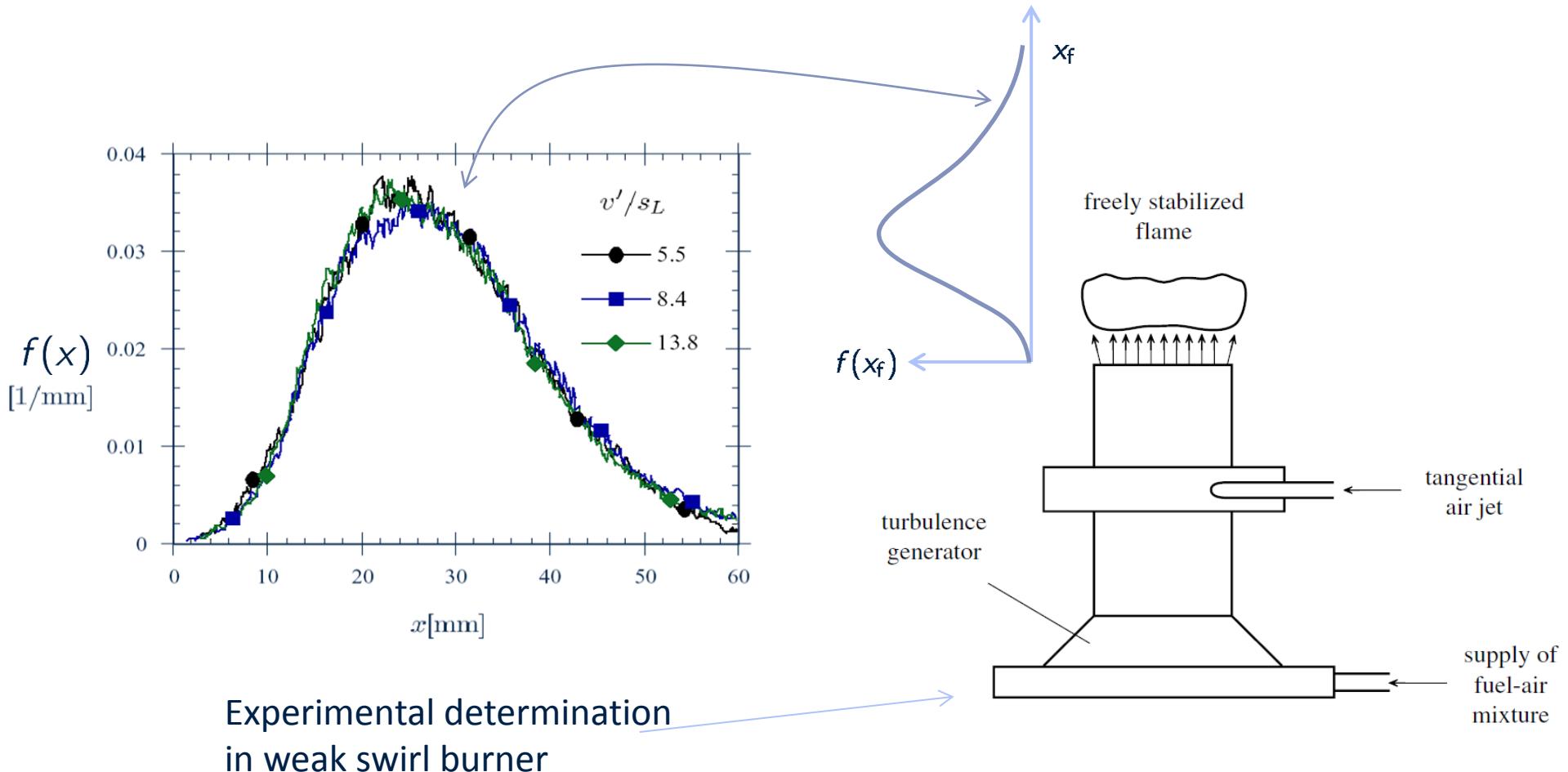
- Thin reaction zones: $Ka \gg 1$
→ curvature term is dominant
- Corrugated flamelets: $Ka \ll 1$
→ s_L term is dominant
- Leading order equation in both regimes

$$\rho \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \rho u_i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i} = (\rho s_L^0) |\nabla G| - (\rho D) \kappa |\nabla G|$$

Assumption: $\rho_u u_u = (\rho_u s_L^0) = \text{const.}$ const.

Statistical Description of Turbulent Flame Front

- Probability density function of finding $G(x_i, t) = G_0 = 0$



Statistical Description of Turbulent Flame Front

- Consider steady one-dimensional premixed turbulent mean flame at position x_f

$$x_f = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

- Define flame brush thickness l_f from $f(x)$

$$l_f^2 = \overline{(x - \bar{x}_f)^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - x_f)^2 f(x) dx$$

- If G is distance function then

$$G' = -(x - x_f)$$

Favre-Mean- and Variance-Equation

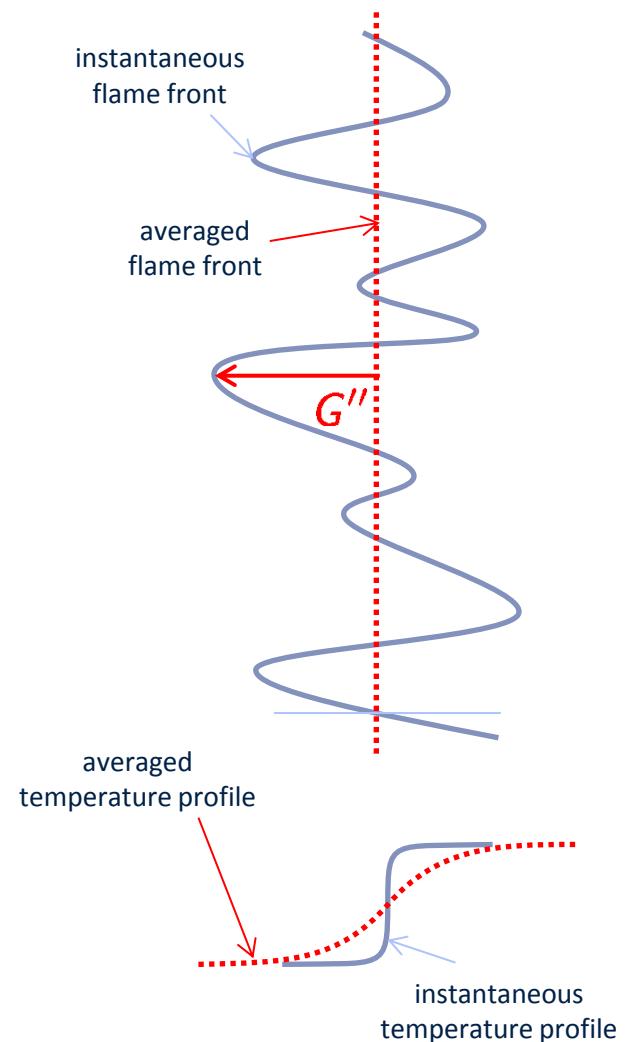
- Equation for Favre-mean

$$\bar{\rho} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G}}{\partial t} + \bar{\rho} \widetilde{u_i} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G}}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \bar{\rho} \widetilde{u'' G''} = (\rho s_L^0) \bar{\sigma} - (\rho D) \bar{\kappa} \bar{\sigma}$$

- Equation for variance

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G''^2}}{\partial t} + \bar{\rho} \widetilde{u_i} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G''^2}}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \bar{\rho} \widetilde{u_i'' G''^2} = \\ - 2 \bar{\rho} \widetilde{u_i'' G''} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G}}{\partial x_i} - \bar{\rho} \widetilde{\omega} - \bar{\rho} \widetilde{\chi} - (\rho D) \bar{\kappa} \bar{\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

- $\sigma = |\nabla G|$ can be interpreted as the area ratio of the flame A_T/A
- Variance describes the average size of the flame



Modeling of the Variance Equation

- **Sink terms** in the variance equation

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\rho} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G''^2}}{\partial t} + \widetilde{\rho u_i} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G''^2}}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \widetilde{\rho u_i'' G''^2} = \\ - 2 \widetilde{\rho u_i'' G''} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G}}{\partial x_i} - \widetilde{\rho \omega} - \widetilde{\rho \chi} - (\rho D) \overline{K \sigma} \end{aligned}$$

- Kinematic restoration

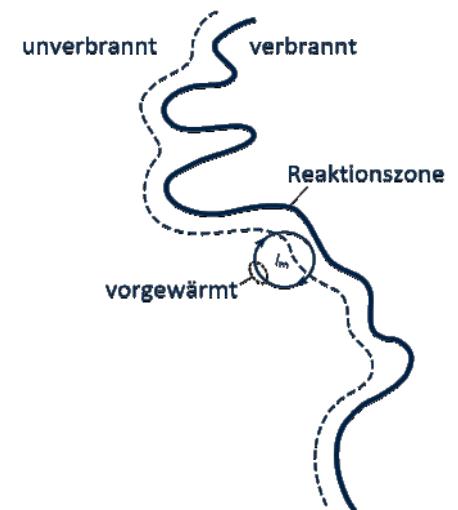
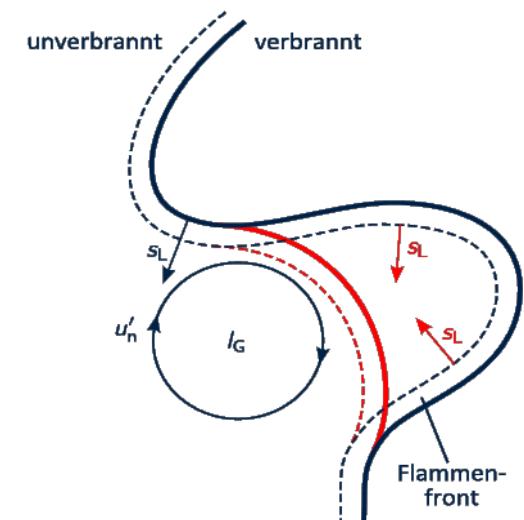
$$\widetilde{\omega} = -2(\rho s_L^0) \overline{G'' \sigma} / \overline{\rho}$$

- Scalar dissipation

$$\widetilde{\chi} = 2(\rho D) \left(\frac{\partial \widetilde{G''}}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 / \overline{\rho}$$

are modeled by

$$\widetilde{\omega} + \widetilde{\chi} = c_s \frac{\widetilde{\varepsilon}}{k} \widetilde{G''^2}$$



G-Equation for Turbulent Flows

- Introducing turbulent burning velocity

$$(\bar{\rho} s_T^0) |\nabla \tilde{G}| = (\rho s_L^0) \bar{\sigma} \quad (\text{vgl. } s_T A = s_L A_T)$$

→ Equation for Favre mean

$$\bar{\rho} \frac{\partial \tilde{G}}{\partial t} + \bar{\rho} \tilde{u}_i \frac{\partial \tilde{G}}{\partial x_i} = (\bar{\rho} s_T^0) |\nabla \tilde{G}| - \bar{\rho} D_t \tilde{\kappa} |\nabla \tilde{G}|$$

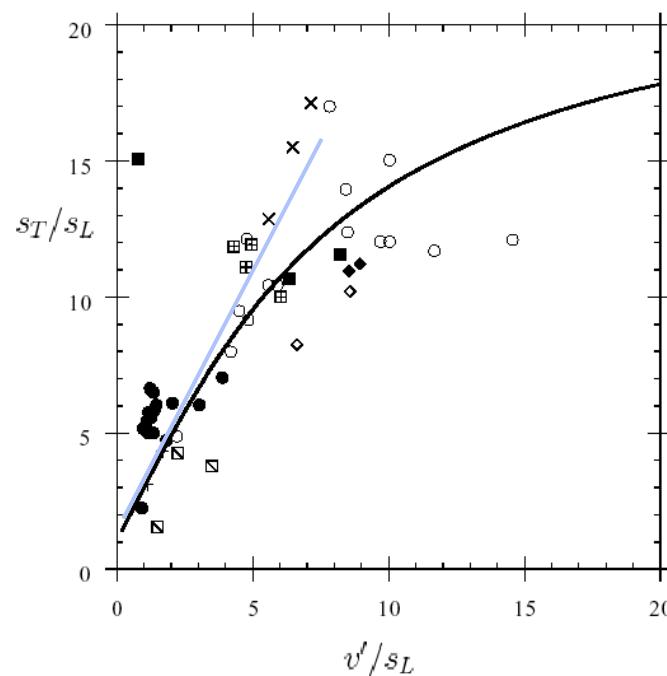
→ Equation for variance

$$\bar{\rho} \frac{\partial \widetilde{G''^2}}{\partial t} + \bar{\rho} \tilde{u}_i \frac{\partial \widetilde{G''^2}}{\partial x_i} = \nabla_{||} \cdot (\bar{\rho} D_t \nabla_{||} \widetilde{G''^2}) + 2\bar{\rho} D_t \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{G}}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 - c_s \bar{\rho} \frac{\widetilde{\varepsilon}}{k} \widetilde{G''^2}$$

G-Equation for Turbulent Flows

- Modeling of turbulent burning velocity by Damköhler theory

$$\frac{s_T}{s_L} = 1 - \alpha \frac{l_t}{l_F} + \sqrt{\left(\alpha \frac{l_t}{l_F}\right)^2 + 4\alpha \frac{u' l_t}{s_L l_F}}$$



G-Equation for Turbulent Flows

- Favre mean of G

$$\tilde{G}(x) = G_0 + x - x_f$$

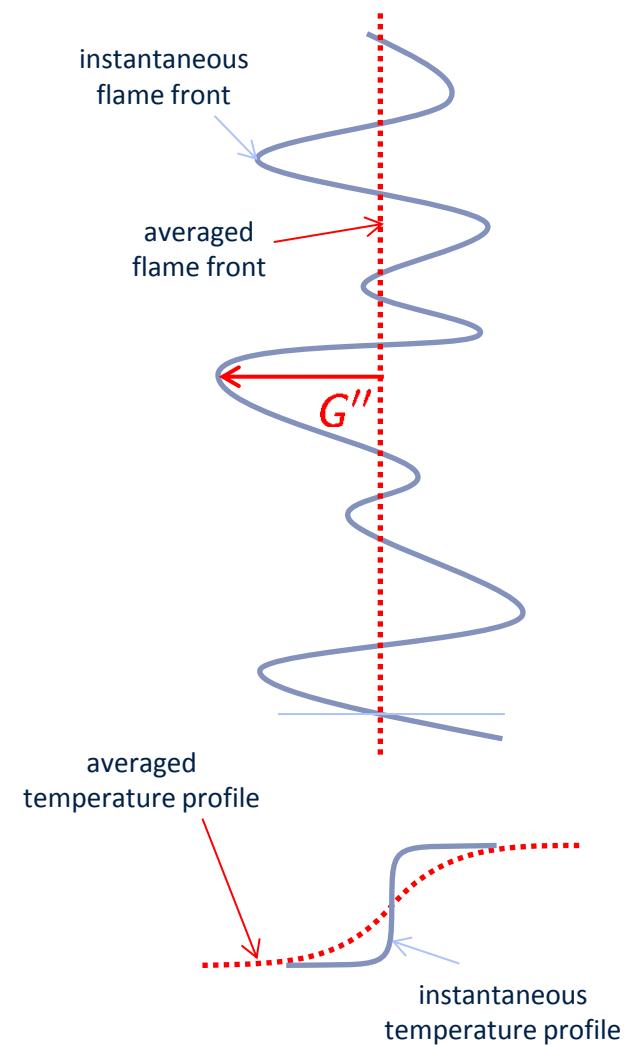
- Favre-PDF

$$\tilde{f}(G; x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \widetilde{G''}^2|_0}} \exp\left(-\frac{(G - \tilde{G})^2}{2\widetilde{G''}^2|_0}\right)$$

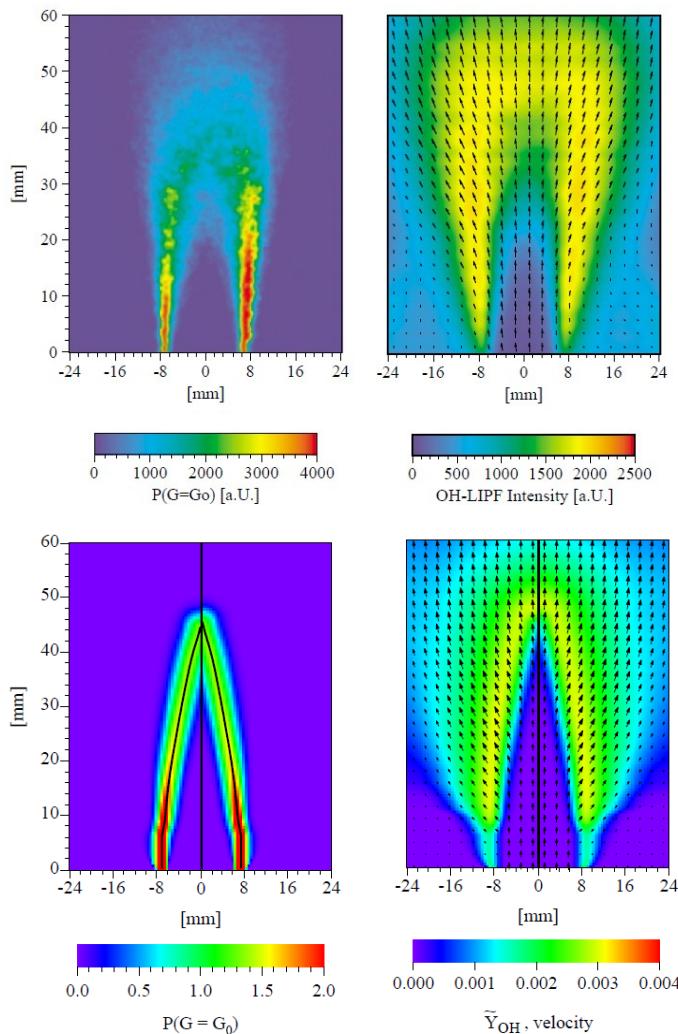
- Mean temperature (or other scalar)

$$\tilde{T} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} T(G) \tilde{f}(G) dG$$

$T(G)=T(x)$ taken from
laminar premixed flame
without strain



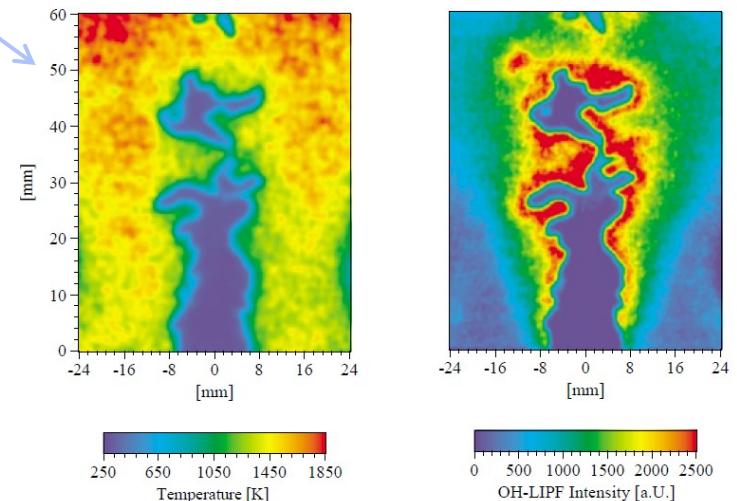
Example: Presumed Shape PDF Approach (RANS)



experiment



computed
numerically



G-Equation for LES

- Different averaging procedure¹
- Start from progress variable C defined from temperature or reaction products
- Equation for Heaviside function centered at $C = C_0$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} [H(C - C_0)] + u_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [H(C - C_0)] =$$

$$\mathcal{D}_C \kappa |\nabla [H(C - C_0)]| + \delta(C - C_0) \frac{1}{\rho} \left[n_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\rho \mathcal{D}_C |\nabla C|) + \rho \dot{\omega}_C \right]$$

- With $\mathcal{G}(t, \mathbf{x}) = H(C(t, \mathbf{x}) - C_0)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\mathcal{G}) + u_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\mathcal{G}) = (\mathcal{D}_C \kappa)_{C_0} |\nabla \mathcal{G}| + s_{L,C_0} |\nabla \mathcal{G}|$$

where

$$s_{L,C_0} = \left[\frac{1}{|\nabla C| \rho} \left(n_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\rho \mathcal{D}_C |\nabla C|) + \rho \dot{\omega}_C \right) \right]_{C=C_0}$$

¹ E. Knudsen and H. Pitsch, A dynamic model for the turbulent burning velocity for large eddy simulation of premixed combustion, Combust. Flame, 154 (4), pp. 740–760, 2008.

G-Equation for LES

- Filtered Heaviside function

$$\bar{\mathcal{G}}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_V \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{r}) \mathcal{G}(t, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

- Modeled equation for filtered Heaviside function

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\bar{\mathcal{G}}) + \tilde{u}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\bar{\mathcal{G}}) + \bar{\Gamma}_u = \frac{\rho_u}{\bar{\rho}} \left[(\overline{\mathcal{D}_C \kappa})_{\bar{T},u} + s_{\bar{T},u} \right] |\nabla \bar{\mathcal{G}}|$$

describes evolution of filtered front, but cannot be adequately resolved in LES

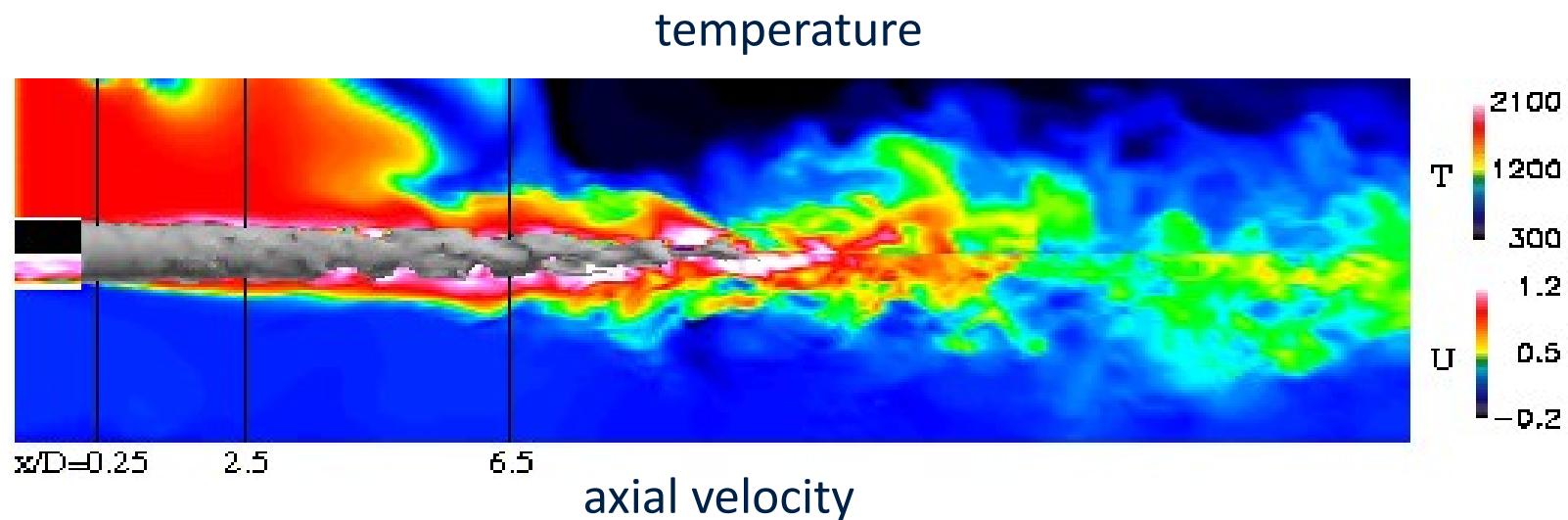
- Introduce level set function describing filtered front evolution

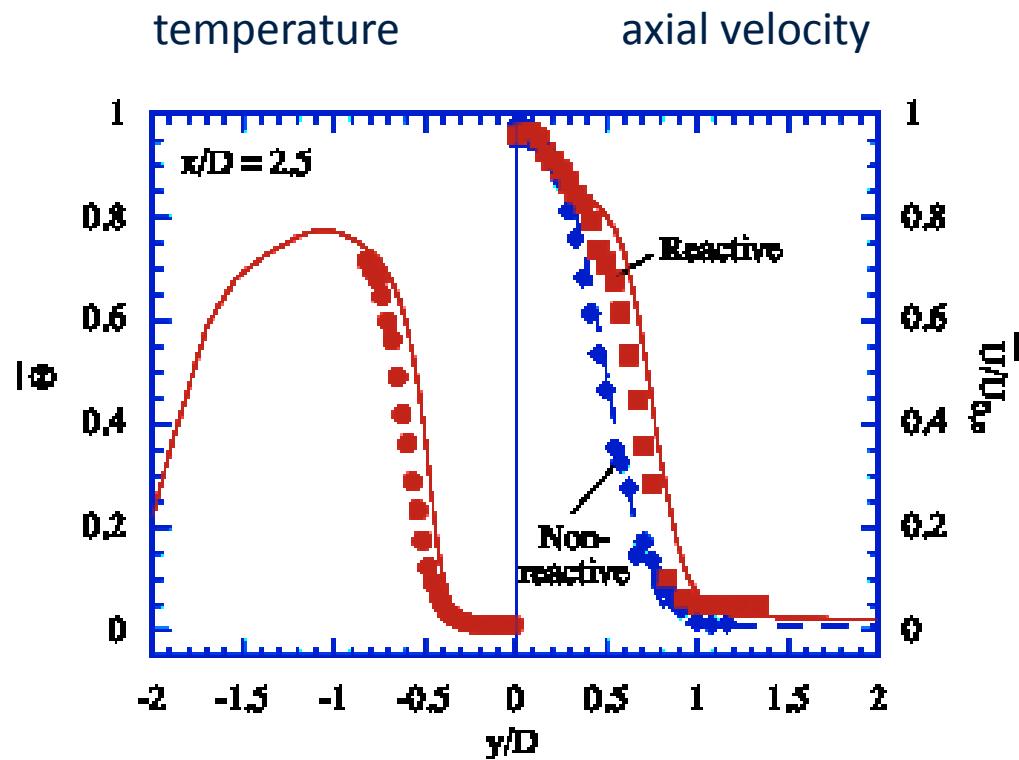
$$\hat{G}(\mathbf{x}, t) = G_0 \quad \forall \quad \bar{\mathcal{G}}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathcal{G}_0 \quad |\nabla \hat{G}(\mathbf{x}, t)| = 1 \quad \forall \quad \bar{\mathcal{G}}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

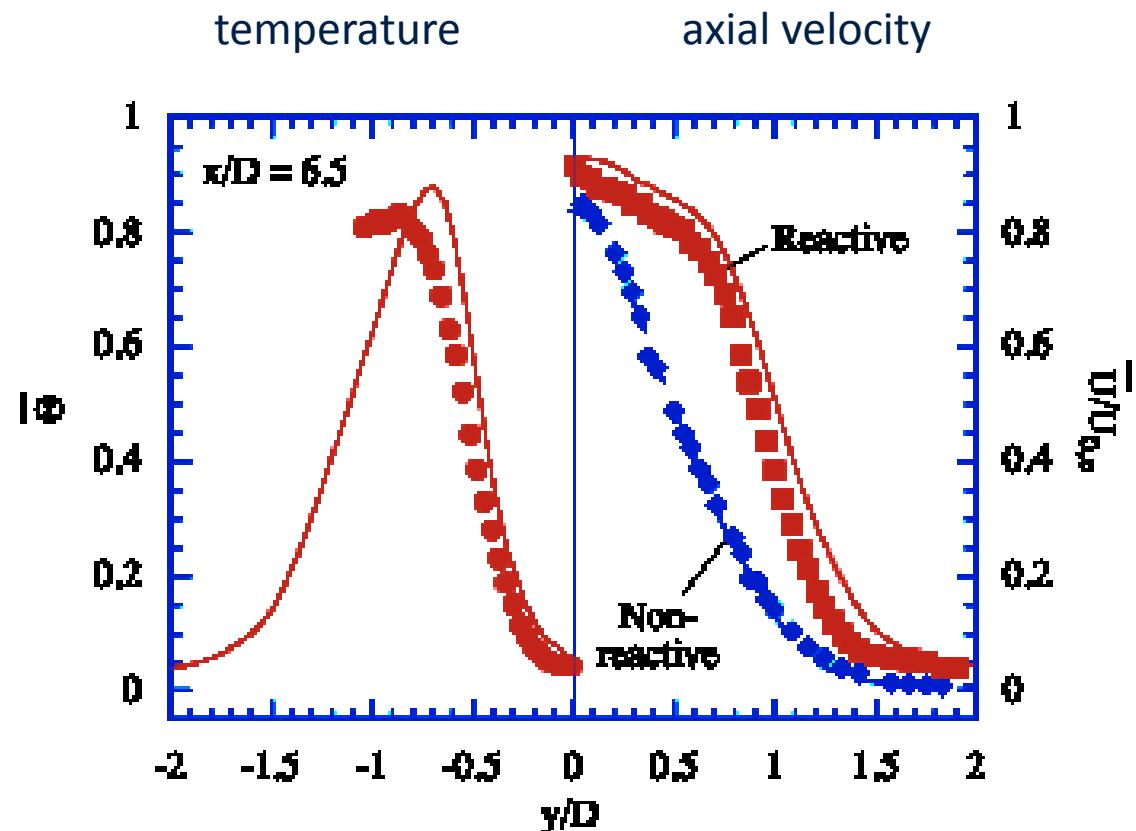
gives level set equation for filtered flame front

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\hat{G}) + \tilde{u}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\hat{G}) = \frac{\rho_u}{\bar{\rho}} [\mathcal{D}_{t,u} \bar{\kappa} + s_{T,u}] |\nabla \hat{G}|$$

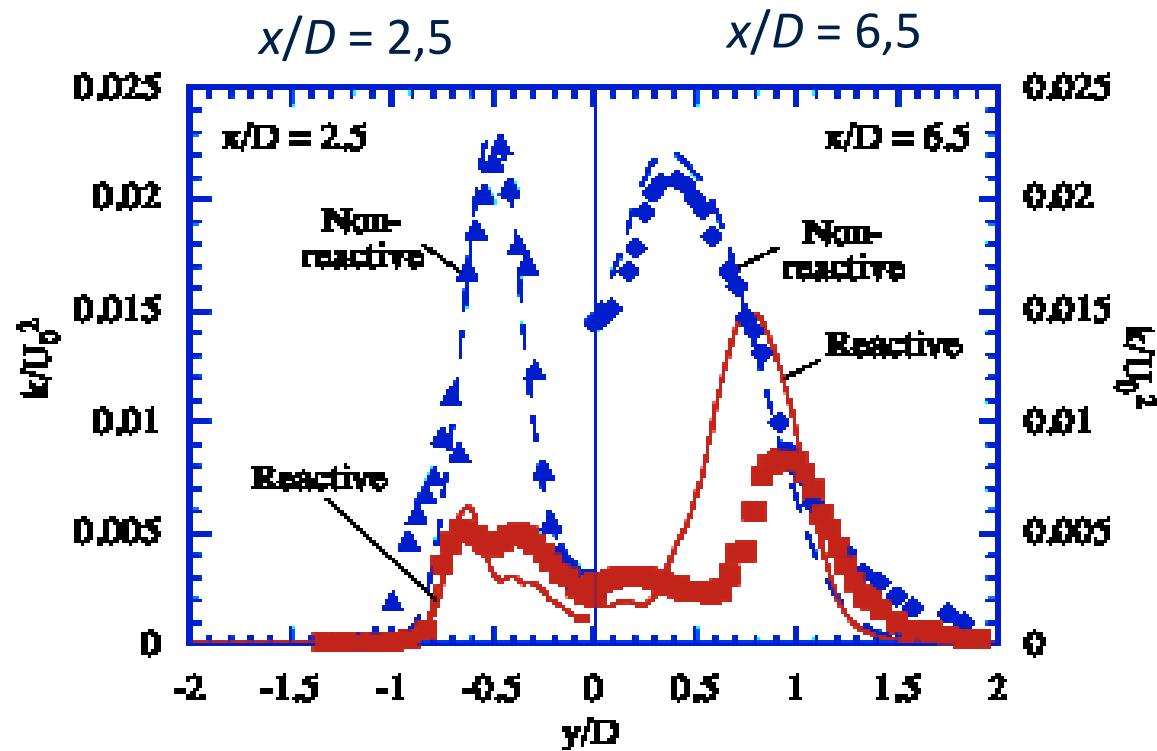
- Premixed methan/air flame
- $Re = 23486$
- Broad, low velocity pilot flame → heat losses to burner
- Dilution by air co-flow



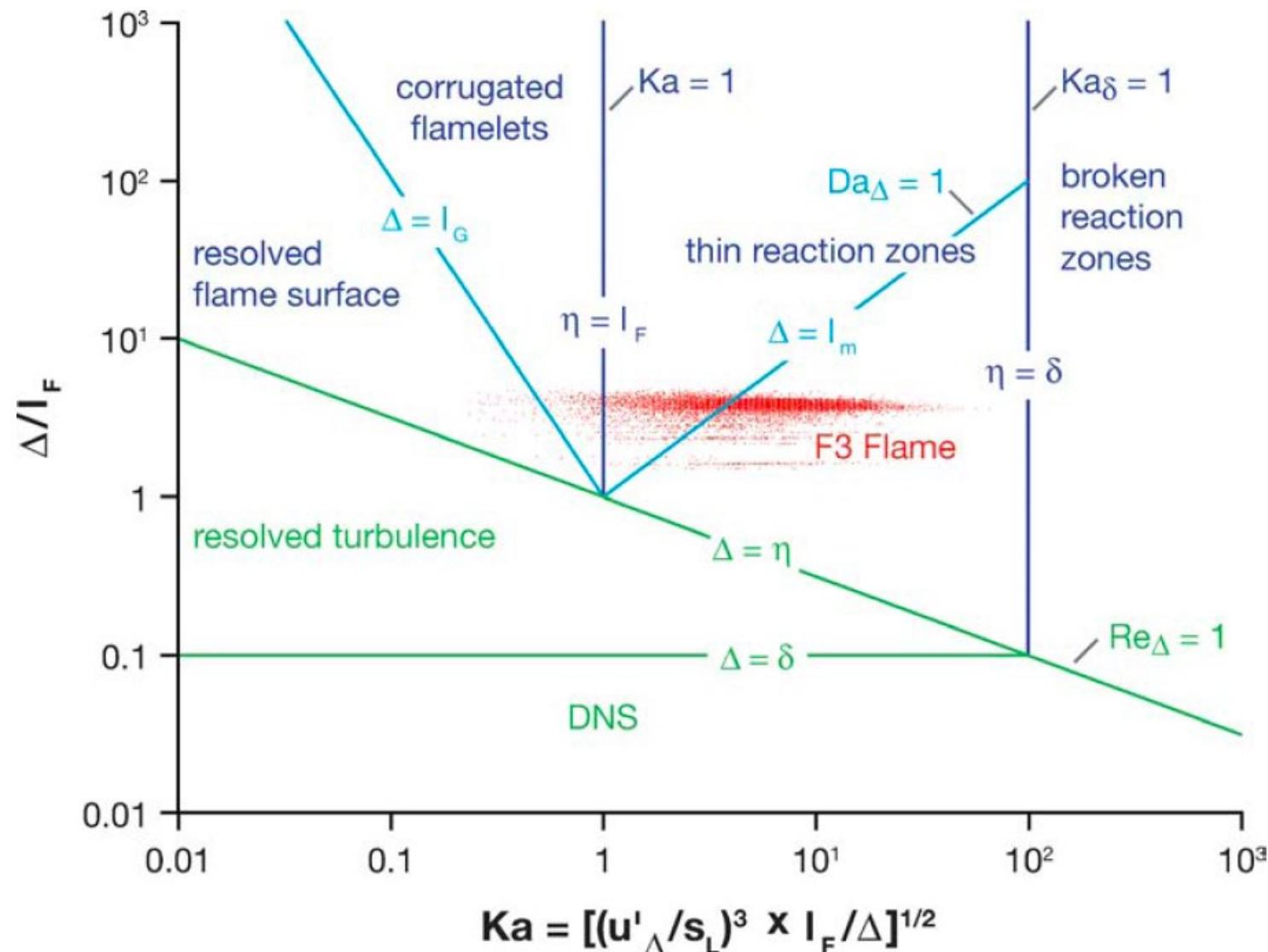
Time-Averaged Temperature and Axial Velocity at position $x/D = 2.5$ 

Time-Averaged Temperature and Axial Velocity at position $x/D = 6.5$ 

Turbulent Kinetic Energie at Position $x/D = 2.5$ and 6.5



LES Regime Diagram for Premixed Turbulent Combustion



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Mixture Fraction Z

- Assume
 - One-step global reaction: $v_F F + v_O O \rightarrow v_P P$
 - $Le_i = 1$
- Species transport and temperature equations

$$\rho \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial t} + \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla Y_i = \nabla \cdot (\rho D \nabla Y_i) + W_i \nu_i w$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla T = \nabla \cdot (\rho D \nabla T) + \frac{Q}{c_p} w$$

- With

$$L(\phi) = \rho \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \phi - \nabla \cdot (\rho D \nabla \phi)$$

follows

$$L(Y_i) = W_i \nu_i w$$

$$L(T) = \frac{Q}{c_p} w$$

Mixture Fraction Z

- Derive coupling function β by eliminating w such that

$$L(\beta) = 0$$

- With

$$\nu = \frac{W_O \nu_O}{W_F \nu_F}$$

and

$$L(\nu Y_F) = W_O \nu_O w$$

$$L(Y_O) = W_O \nu_O w$$

follows

$$\beta \equiv \nu Y_F - Y_O$$

- Normalization between 0 and 1 gives

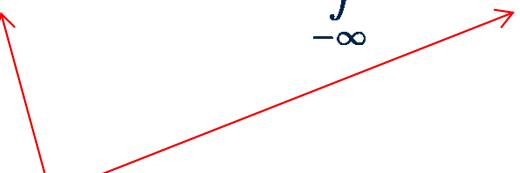
$$Z \equiv \frac{\beta - \beta_2}{\beta_1 - \beta_2} = \frac{\nu Y_F - Y_O + Y_{O,2}}{\nu Y_{F,1} + Y_{O,2}}$$

Transport Equation for Z

- Transport equation

$$\rho \frac{\partial Z}{\partial t} + \rho u_j \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

- Advantage: $L(Z) = 0 \rightarrow$ No Chemical Source Term
- BC: $Z = 0$ in Oxidator, $Z = 1$ in Fuel
- If species and temperature function of mixture fraction, then

$$\tilde{T} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} T(Z) \tilde{f}(Z) dZ \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{Y}_i = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} Y_i(Z) \tilde{f}(Z) dZ$$


- Needed:
 - Local statistics of Z (expressed by PDF)
 - Species/temperature as function of Z : $Y_i(Z)$ and $T(Z)$

Presumed PDF Approach

- Equation for the mean

$$\rho \frac{\partial \tilde{Z}}{\partial t} + \rho \tilde{u}_i \frac{\partial \tilde{Z}}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\bar{\rho} D_t \frac{\partial \tilde{Z}}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

and the variance of Z

$$\underbrace{\bar{\rho} \frac{\partial \widetilde{Z''^2}}{\partial t} + \bar{\rho} \tilde{u}_i \frac{\partial \widetilde{Z''^2}}{\partial x_i}}_{L} = - \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\bar{\rho} \widetilde{u_i'' Z''^2} \right)}_{\text{turb. DF}} + 2\bar{\rho} \left(-\widetilde{u_i'' Z''} \right) \frac{\partial \tilde{Z}}{\partial x_i} - \bar{\rho} \widetilde{\chi} \underbrace{c_x \frac{\widetilde{\varepsilon}}{k} \widetilde{Z''^2}}_{DS}$$

are known and closed

Presumed PDF Approach

- β -function pdf for mixture fraction Z

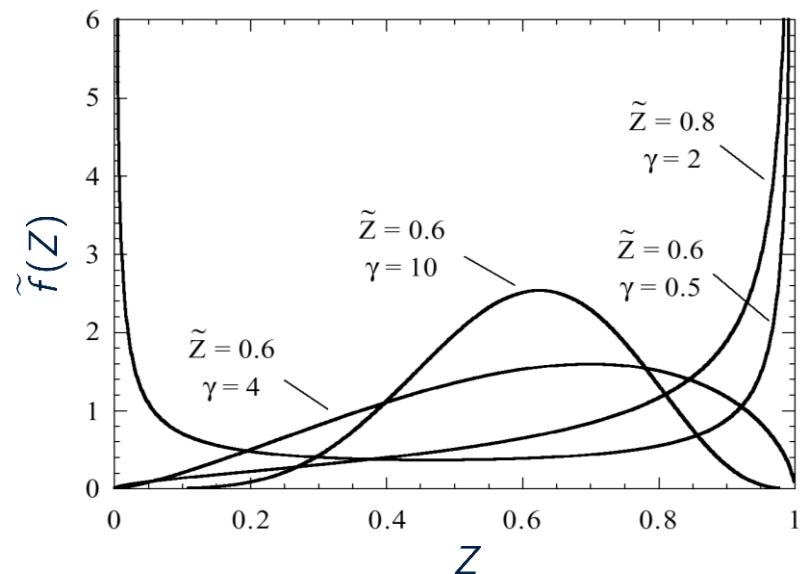
$$\tilde{f}(Z; x_i, t) = \frac{Z^{\alpha-1}(1-Z)^{\beta-1}\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}$$

- With

$$\alpha = \tilde{Z}\gamma, \quad \beta = (1 - \tilde{Z})\gamma \quad \text{and}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\tilde{Z}(1 - \tilde{Z})}{\tilde{Z}''^2} - 1 \geq 0$$

$$\tilde{T} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} T(Z) \tilde{f}(Z) dZ, \quad \tilde{Y}_i = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} Y_i(Z) \tilde{f}(Z) dZ$$

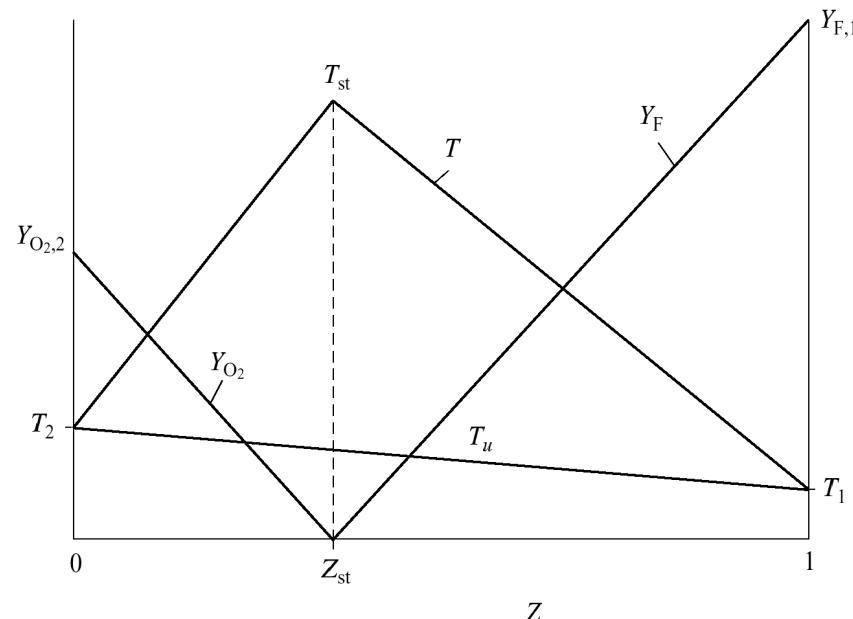


- Infinitely fast irreversible chemistry
 - Burke-Schumann solution
 - Solution = $f(Z)$
- Infinitely fast reversible chemistry
 - Chemical equilibrium
 - Solution = $f(Z)$
- Flamelet model for non-premixed combustion
 - Chemistry fast, but not infinitely fast
 - Solution = $f(Z, \chi)$
- Conditional Moment Closure (CMC)
 - Similar to flamelet model
 - Solution = $f(Z, \langle \chi | Z \rangle)$

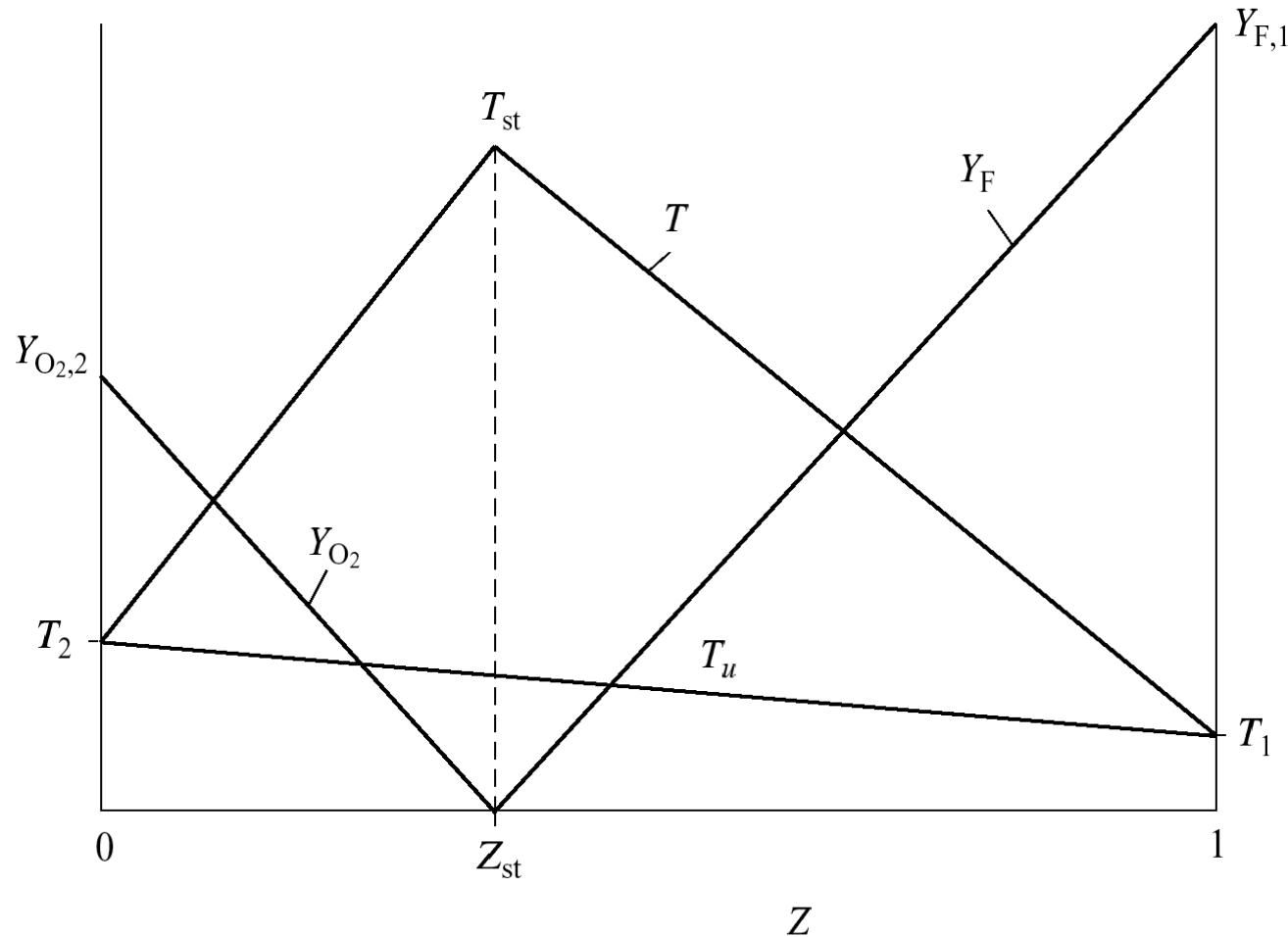
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Burke-Schumann Solution



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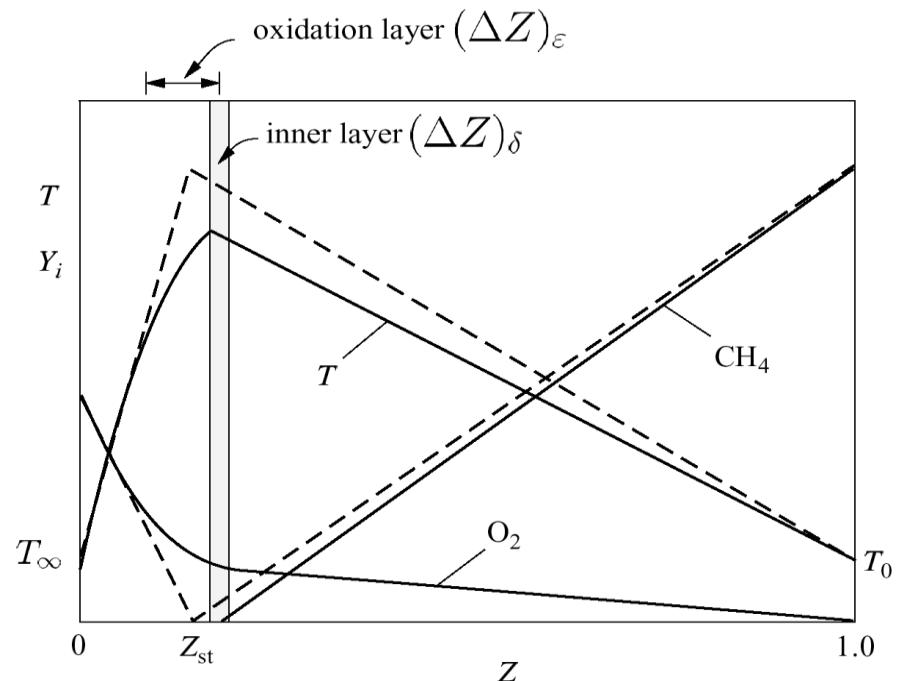
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Flamelet Model for Non-Premixed Turbulent Combustion

- Basic idea: **Scale separation**
- Assume fast, but not infinitely fast chemistry: $1 \ll Da \ll \infty$
- Reaction zone is thin compared to small scales of turbulence and hence retains **laminar structure**
- Transformation and asymptotic approximation leads to **flamelet equations**



- Balance equations for temperature, species and mixture fraction

$$\rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \rho u_i \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} \right) = - \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \frac{h_\alpha}{c_p} \dot{m}'_\alpha''' + \frac{\dot{q}_R'''}{c_p} + \frac{1}{c_p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t}$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial Y_\alpha}{\partial t} + \rho u_i \frac{\partial Y_\alpha}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial Y_\alpha}{\partial x_i} \right) = \dot{m}'_\alpha'''$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial Z}{\partial t} + \rho u_i \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_i} \right) = 0$$

- With

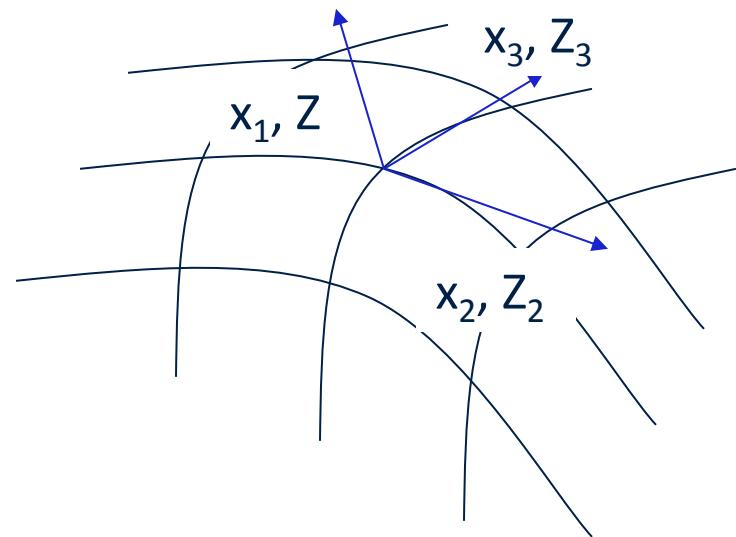
$$\mathcal{L} \equiv \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \rho u_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

it follows

$$\mathcal{L}(T) = - \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \frac{h_\alpha}{c_p} \dot{m}'_\alpha''' + \frac{\dot{q}_R'''}{c_p} + \frac{1}{c_p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t}, \quad \mathcal{L}(Y_\alpha) = \dot{m}'_\alpha''' \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{L}(Z) = 0$$

Flamelet Equations

- Consider surface of stoichiometric mixture
- Reaction zone confined to thin layer around this surface
- Transformation to surface attached coordinate system
- $x_1, x_2, x_3, t \rightarrow Z(x_1, x_2, x_3, t), Z_2, Z_3, \tau$



Transformation rules

- Transformation: $x_1, x_2, x_3, t \rightarrow Z(x_1, x_2, x_3, t), Z_2, Z_3, \tau$ (where $Z_2 = x_2, Z_3 = x_3, \tau = t$)

$$\psi(x_1, x_2, x_3, t) \rightarrow \psi(Z(x_1, x_2, x_3, t), Z_2, Z_3, \tau)$$

- Example: Temperature T

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_2} \frac{\partial Z_2}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_3} \frac{\partial Z_3}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau} \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t}$$

0 0 1

→ $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial Z}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z}$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_2} \frac{\partial Z_2}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_3} \frac{\partial Z_3}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau} \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x_1}$$

0 0 0

→ $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z}$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_2} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_2} \frac{\partial Z_2}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_3} \frac{\partial Z_3}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau} \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial x_2}$$

1 0 0

→ $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial Z_j} + \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z}, \quad j = 2, 3$



Analogous for x_3

Flamelet Equations

- Temperature equation

$$\mathcal{L}(T) = - \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \frac{h_{\alpha}}{c_p} \dot{m}_{\alpha}''' + \frac{\dot{q}_R'''}{c_p} + \frac{1}{c_p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = \dot{\omega}_T$$

→ Transformed temperature equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau} + \rho u_j \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_j} - \rho D \left[2 \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z \partial Z_j} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z_j^2} \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_j} \right) \\ - \rho D \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z^2} = \dot{\omega}_T, \quad j = 2, 3 \end{aligned}$$

Flamelet Equations

$$\rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau} + \rho u_j \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_j} - \rho D \left[2 \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z \partial Z_j} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z_j^2} \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\rho D \frac{\partial T}{\partial Z_j} \right) - \rho D \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z^2} = \dot{\omega}_T, \quad j = 2, 3$$

Describes mixing

- If the flamelet **is thin in the Z direction**, an order-of-magnitude analysis similar to that for a boundary layer shows that

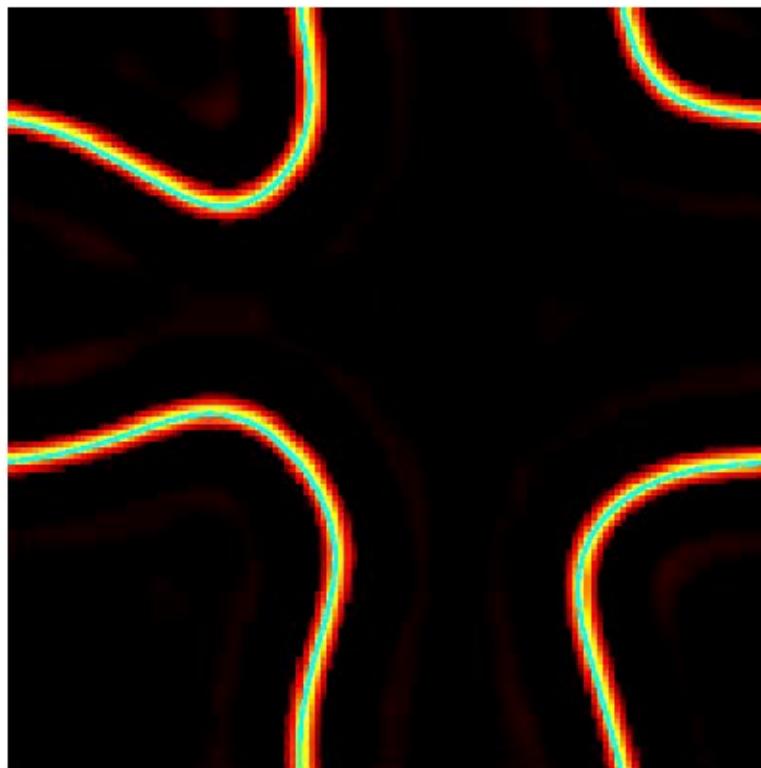
$$\left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z^2}$$

is the **dominating term** of the spatial derivatives

- Equivalent to the assumption that temperature derivatives normal to the flame surface are much larger than those in tangential direction
- $\partial T / \partial \tau$ is important if very **rapid changes, such as extinction**, occur

Example

- Example from DNS of Non-Premixed Combustion in Isotropic Turbulence



- Temperature (color)
- Stoichiometric mixture fraction (line)

Flamelet Equations

- Same procedure for the mass fraction...
- Flamelet structure is to leading order described by the one-dimensional time-dependent equations

→

$$\begin{aligned}\rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\rho \chi_{st}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z^2} &= \dot{\omega}_T \\ \rho \frac{\partial Y_\alpha}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\rho \chi_{st}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Y_\alpha}{\partial Z^2} &= \dot{m}'_\alpha\end{aligned}$$



$$\rho \frac{\partial \psi_i}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\rho \chi_{st}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_i}{\partial Z^2} = \dot{\omega}_{\psi_i}$$

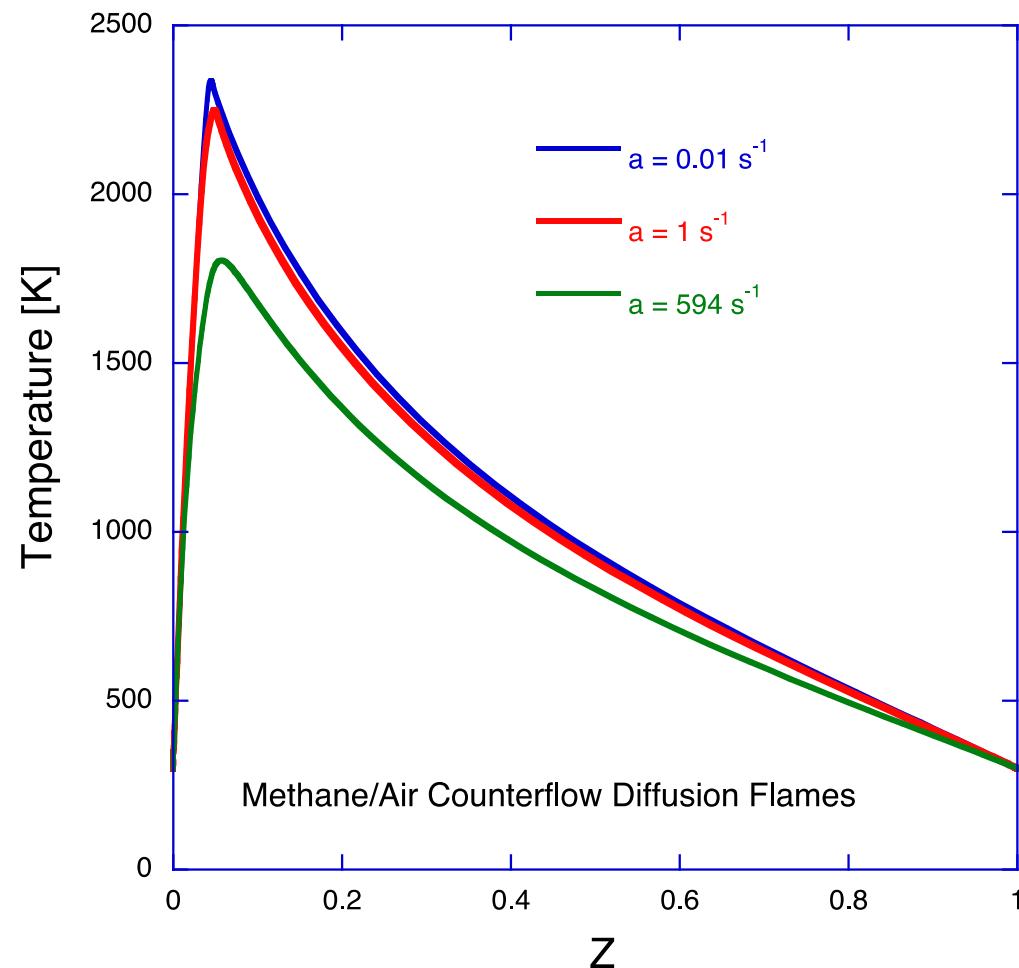
- Instantaneous **scalar dissipation rate** at stoichiometric conditions

$$\chi_{st} = 2D \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 \Big|_{st}$$

→ $[\chi_{st}] = 1/s$: may be interpreted as the inverse of a characteristic diffusion time

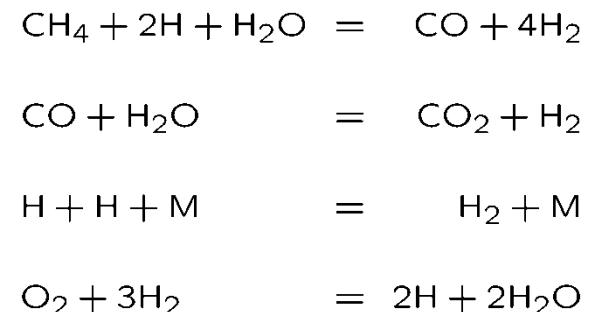
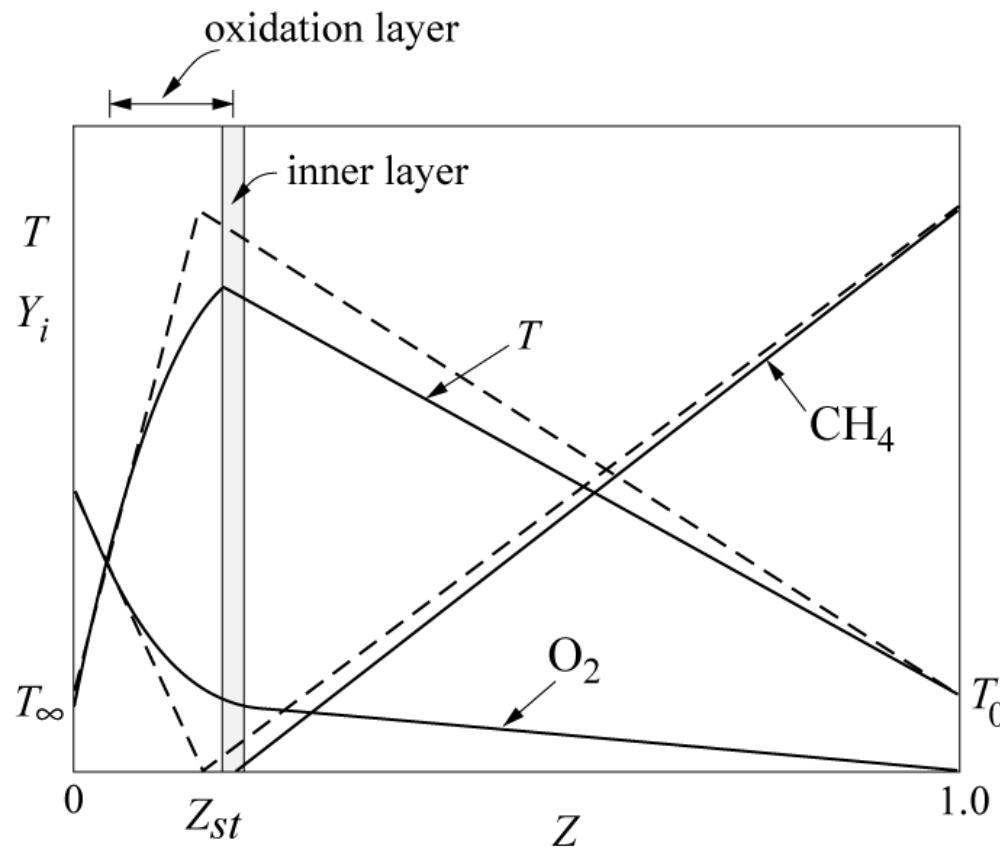
Temperature profiles for methane-air flames

- Temperature profiles for methane-air flames



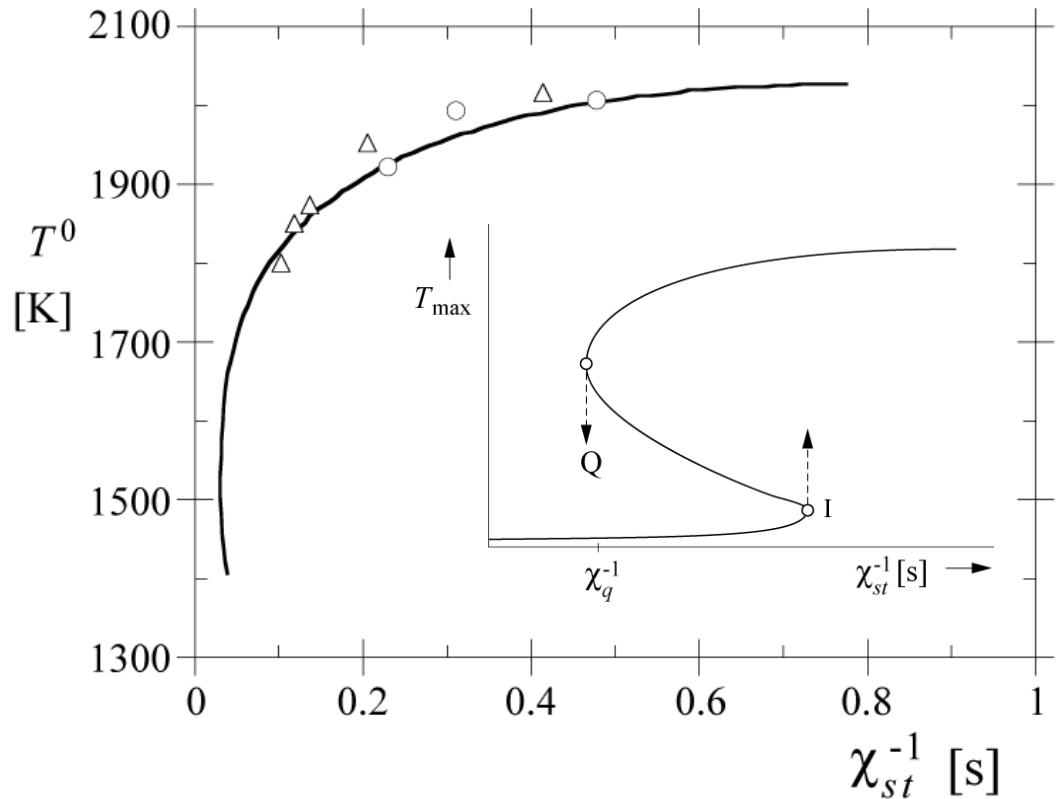
Flamelet Equations

- Asymptotic analysis by Seshadri (1988)
 - Based on four-step model
 - Close correspondence between layers identified in premixed diffusion flames



Flamelet Equations

- The calculations agree well with numerical and experimental data
- They also show the vertical slope of T^0 versus χ_{st} which corresponds to extinction



Flamelet Equations

- Steady state flamelet equations provide $\psi_i = f(Z, \chi_{st})$
- If joint pdf $\tilde{P}(Z, \chi_{st})$ is known
→ Favre mean of ψ_i :

$$\tilde{\psi}_i(x_j, t) = \iint_0^1 \psi_i(Z, \chi_{st}) \tilde{P}(Z, \chi_{st}; x_j, t) d\chi_{st} dZ$$

- If the **unsteady term** in the flamelet equation must be retained, **joint statistics of Z and χ_{st} become impractical**
- Then, in order to **reduce the dimension of the statistics**, it is useful to introduce **multiple flamelets**, each representing a different range of the χ -distribution
- Such multiple flamelets are used in the **Eulerian Particle Flamelet Model (EPFM)** by Barths et al. (1998)
- Then the **scalar dissipation rate** can be formulated as function of the mixture fraction

Flamelet Equations

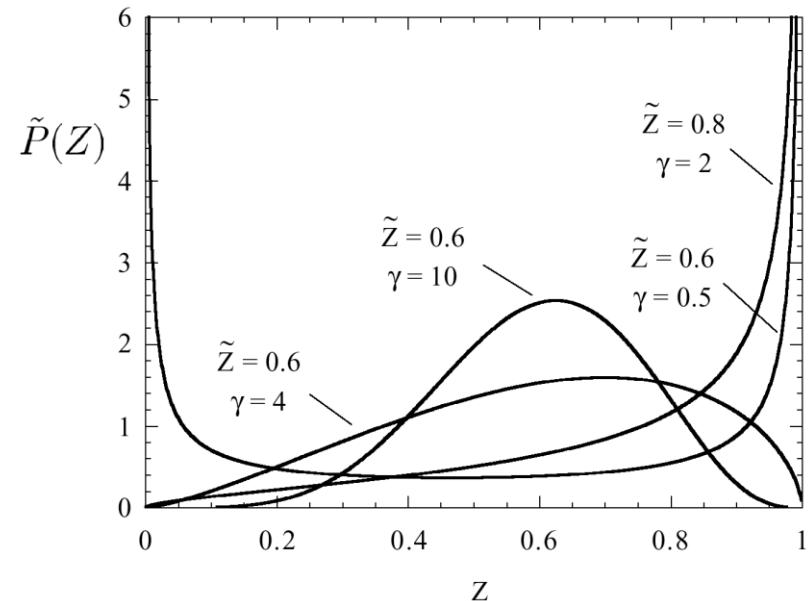
- Modeling the conditional Favre mean scalar dissipation rate

$$\tilde{\chi}_Z = \frac{\langle \rho \chi | Z \rangle}{\langle \rho | Z \rangle}$$

- Flamelet equations

$$\rho \frac{\partial \psi_i}{\partial t} - \frac{\rho}{Le_i} \frac{\chi_Z}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi_i}{\partial Z^2} = \dot{\omega}_{\psi_i} \rightarrow \psi_i(Z, \tilde{\chi}_Z, t)$$

- Favre mean



$$\tilde{\psi}_i(x_j, t) = \int_0^1 \psi_i(Z, \tilde{\chi}_Z, t) \tilde{P}(Z; x_j, t) dZ, \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{P}(Z; x_j, t) = \frac{Z^{\alpha-1} (1-Z)^{\beta-1} \Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta)}$$

Flamelet Equations

- Model for conditional scalar dissipation rate $\tilde{\chi}_z$
- One relates the conditional scalar dissipation rate to that at a fixed value Z_{st} by

$$\tilde{\chi}_z = \tilde{\chi}_{st} \frac{f(Z)}{f(Z_{st})}$$

– With

$$\tilde{\chi} = \int_0^1 \tilde{\chi}_z \tilde{P}(Z) dZ = \tilde{\chi}_{st} \int_0^1 \frac{f(Z)}{f(Z_{st})} \tilde{P}(Z) dZ \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_{st} = \frac{\tilde{\chi} f(Z_{st})}{\int_0^1 f(Z) \tilde{P}(Z) dZ}$$

$$\tilde{\chi} = c_\chi \frac{\tilde{\varepsilon}}{\tilde{k}} Z''^2$$

Representative-Interactive-Flamelet-Modell (RIF)

- Flamelet equations are unsteady
- RIF model solves unsteady flamelet equations coupled with CFD code¹
- Describes ignition, combustion, and pollutant formation for non-premixed combustion
→ Typical application for diesel engines

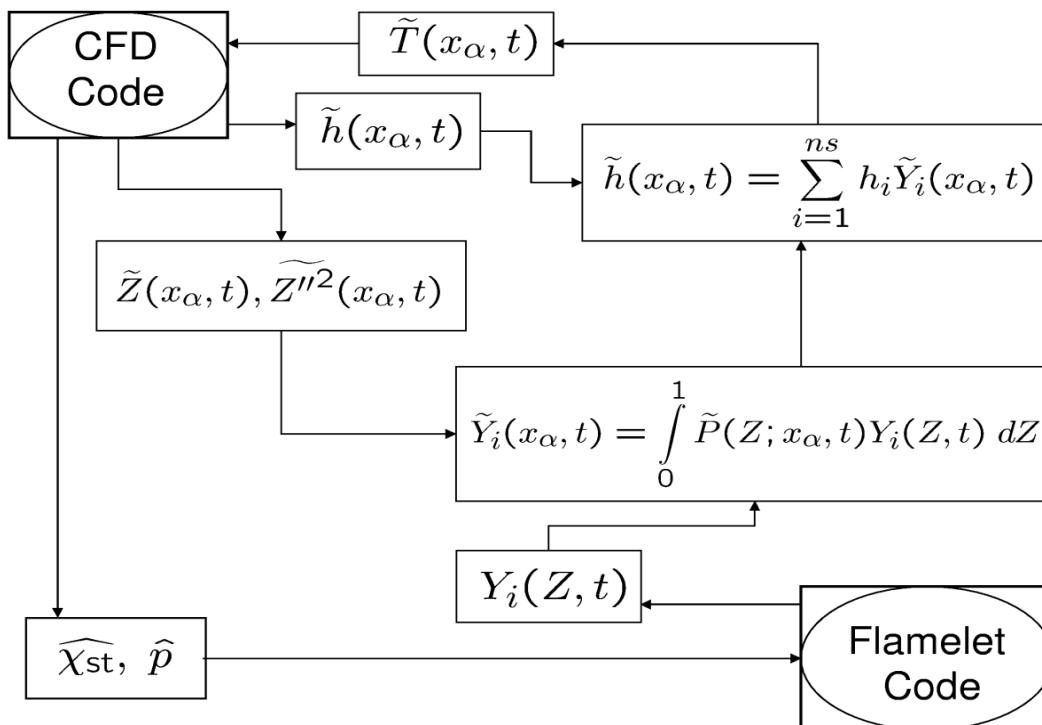
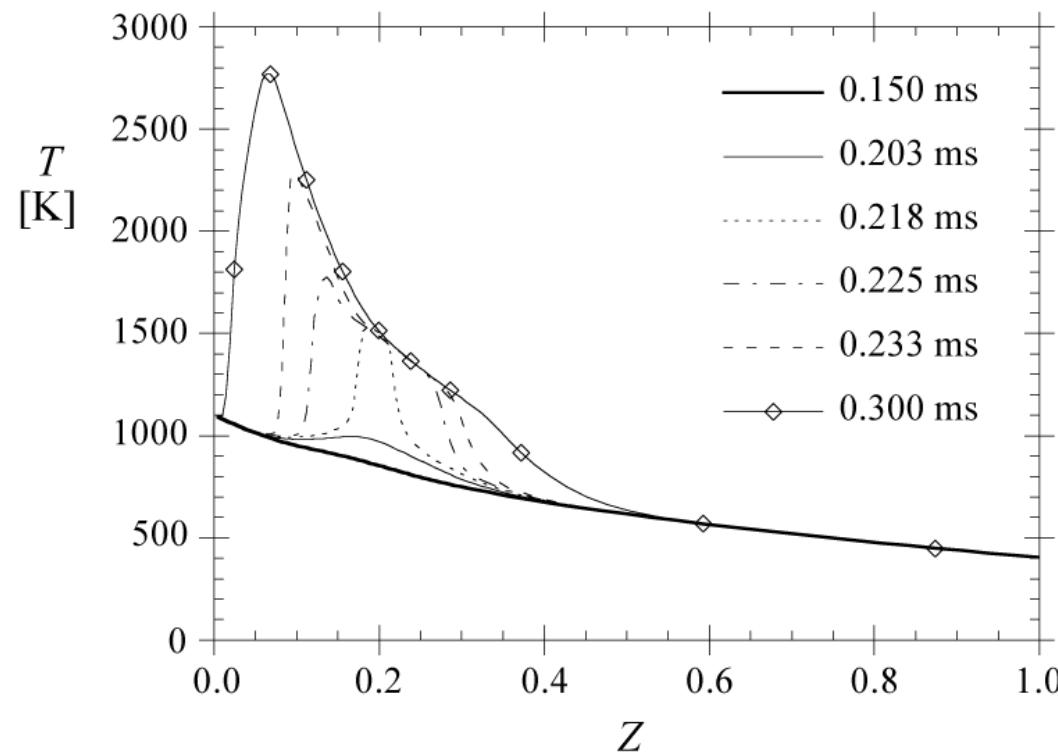


Illustration of coupling
between RIF code and
CFD code

¹ Barths, H., Pitsch, H., Peters, N., 3D Simulation of DI Diesel Combustion and Pollutant Formation Using a Two-Component Reference Fuel, Oil & Gas Science and Technology Rev. IFP 54, pp. 233-244, 1999.

n-Heptane Air Ignition

- The initial air temperature is 1100 K and the initial fuel temperature is 400 K.



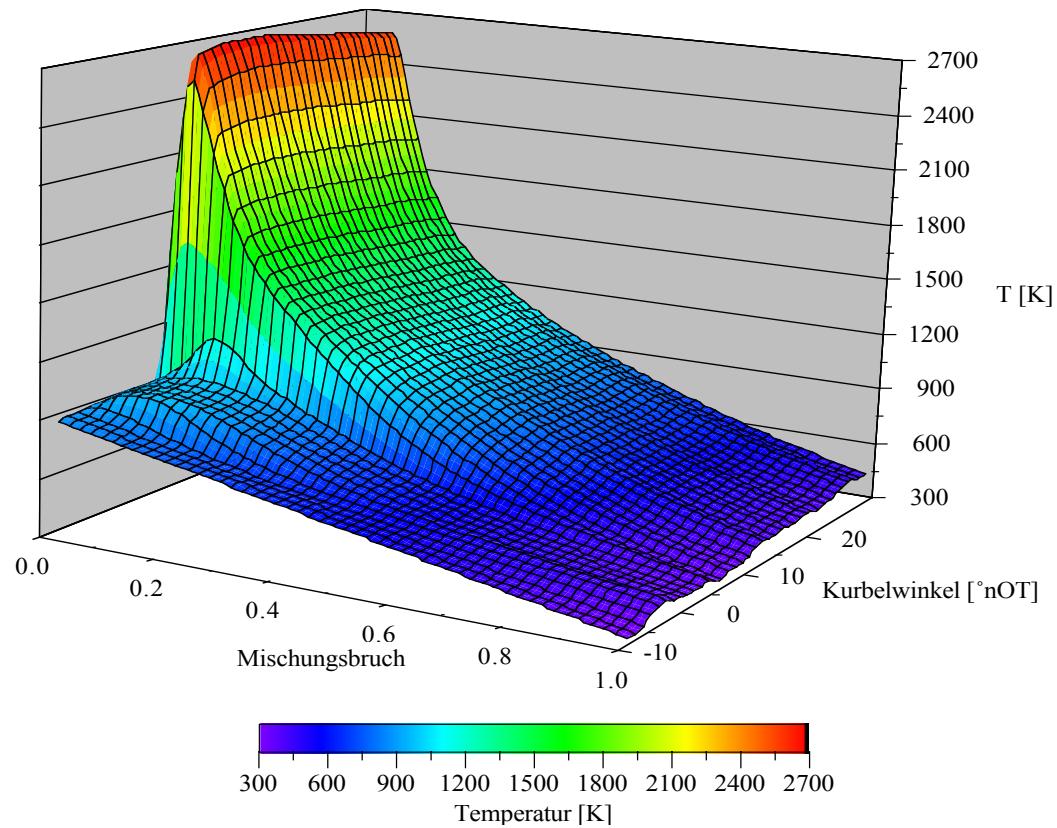
Example: Diesel engine simulation

- VW 1,9 l DI-Diesel engine
(Fuel: *n*-Heptan)
- Simulation:
 - KIVA-Code
 - RIF-Model
 - *n*-Heptan detailed chemistry
 - Soot and NO_x as function of EGR

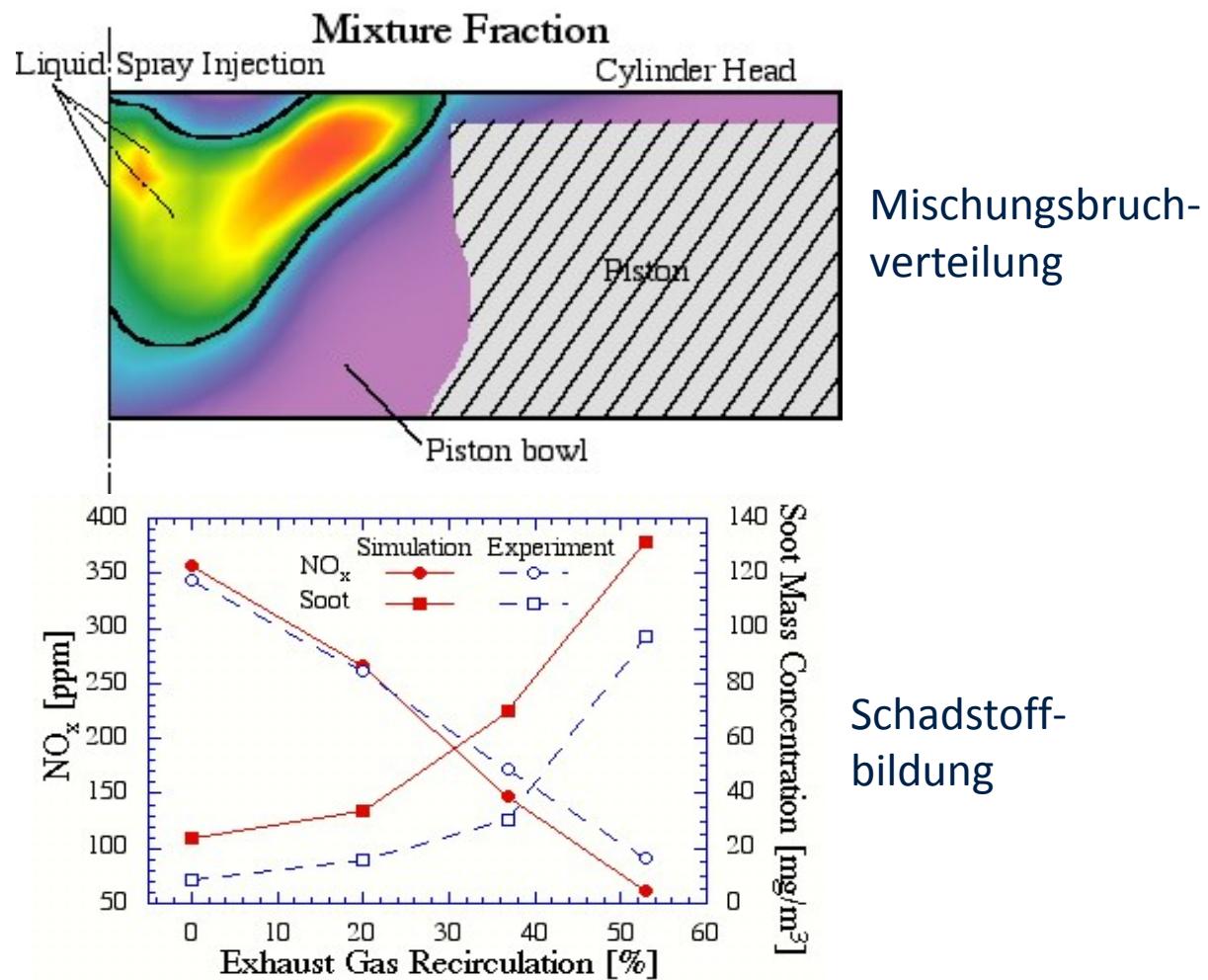
Model:	Volkswagen DI 1.9l
Piston Displacement:	1896 cm ³
Bore:	79.5 mm
Stroke:	95.0 mm
Connecting Rod Length:	144.0 mm
Compression Ratio:	17.5:1
Nozzle:	5-Hole
Hole Diameter:	0.194 mm
Opening Pressure:	250 bar
Injection Angle:	150°
Operation Point:	2000 rpm
Fuel:	<i>n</i> -Heptane
Injected Fuel Mass:	8 mg

Example: Diesel engine simulation

- RIF-Temperature

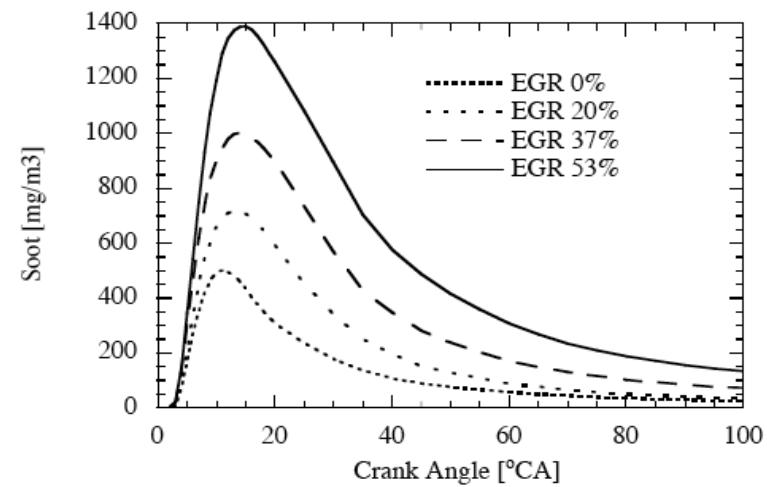
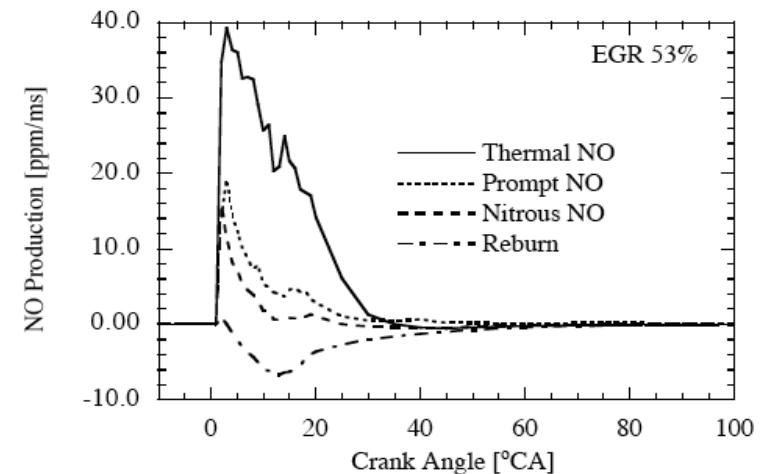
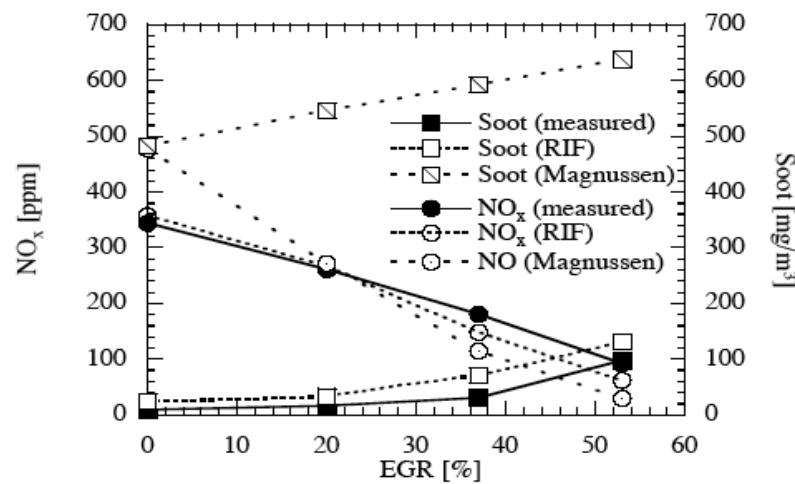


Example: Diesel engine simulation



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- Comparison with Magnussen-/ Hiroyasu-Model



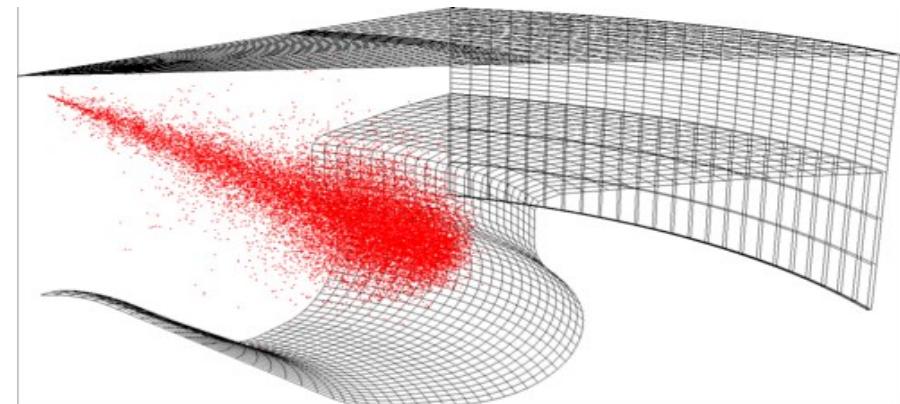
Example: ITV Diesel Engine Test Bench



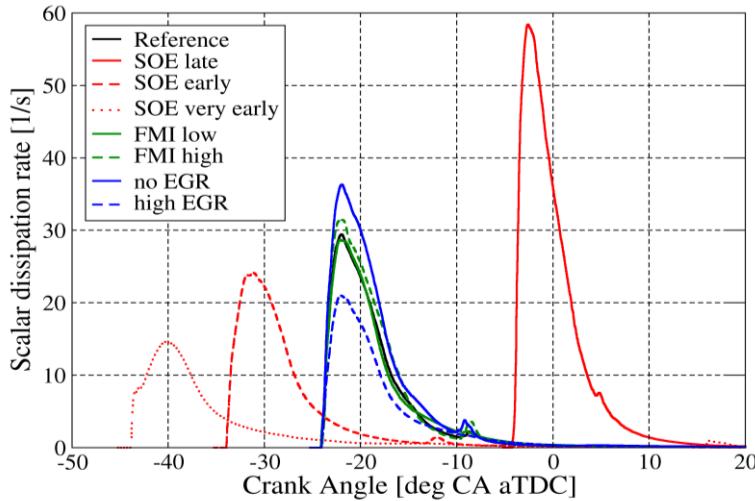
Engine type	4 cylinder diesel engine
Bore	82.0 mm
Stroke	90.4 mm
Displacement	1910 mm ³
Pistons	Reentrant type
Compression ratio	17.5:1
Valves	16 V
Max. Power	110 kW (150 PS)
Swirl number	2.5
Injection system	Bosch Common-Rail (2nd generation), central injector position, 7 holes nozzle

- The range of operation was extended for partially homogenized conditions (PCCI)
- High performance measurement equipment
- Rapid and dynamic measurement of EGR
- Fast sensors with cycle-to-cycle resolution for NO_x and uHC
- Stationary measurement of soot, CO, CO₂, ...

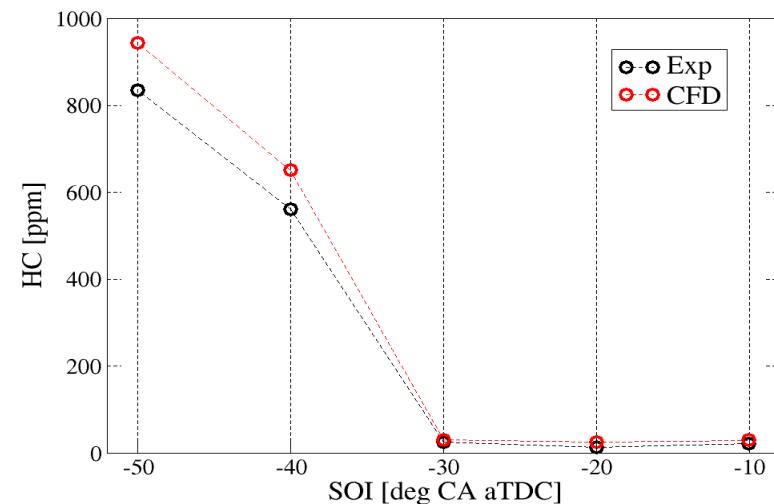
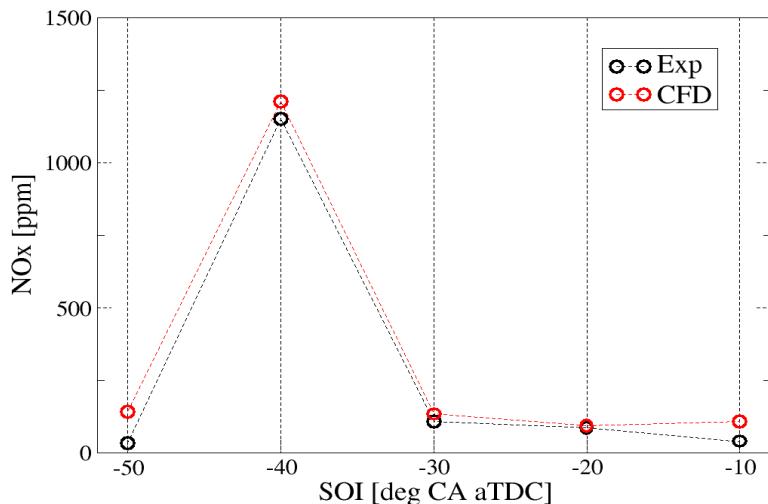
- Multidimensional CFD-RANS code AC-FLuX
- Computations performed for variations in
 - Start of energizing (SOE): 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 deg CA bTDC
 - Fuel mass injected (FMI): 11, 12, 13.5 and 17.5 mm³/cycle
 - Exhaust gas recirculation (EGR): 0, 15, 26, 33 and 34 %
- Computations from IVC to EVO
- Sector grid of the combustion chamber (~ 50000 cells)
- Two different meshes for compression and combustion
- RIF combustion model initialized at start of injection



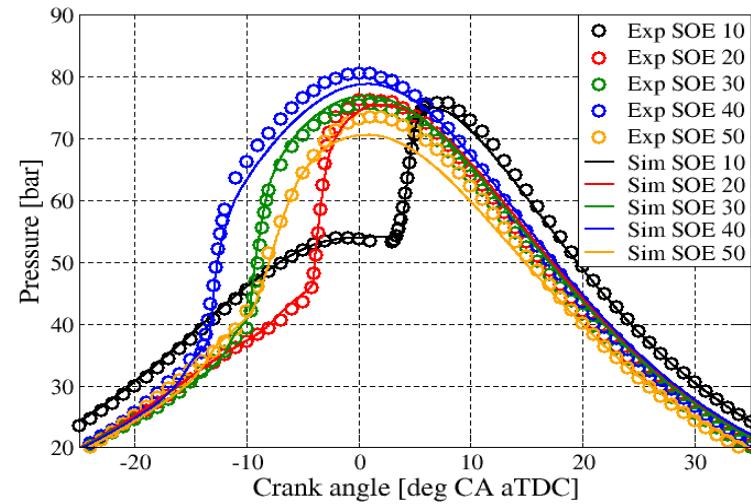
Multi-Zone Model Results



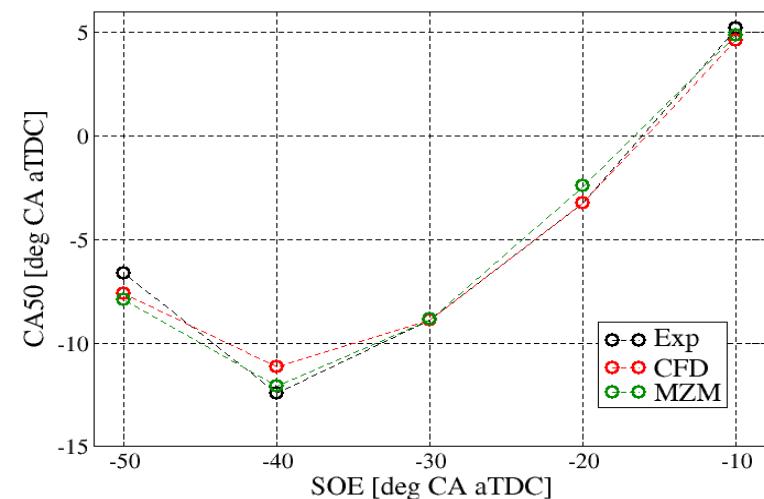
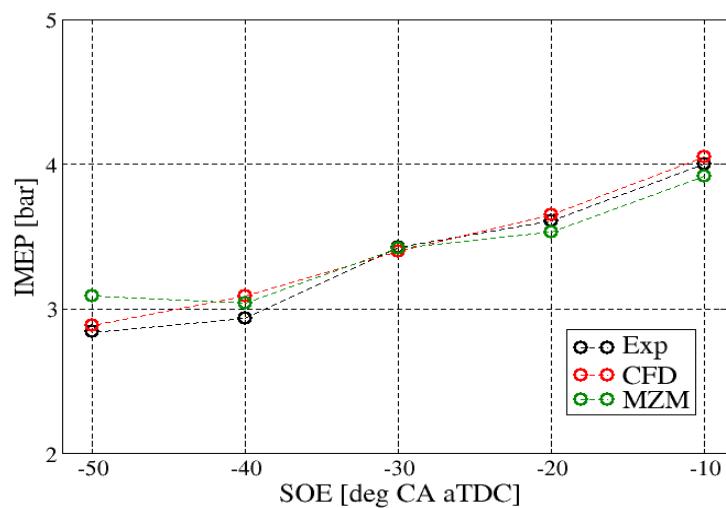
- Scalar dissipation rate:
- Strong influence of SOE on position and maximum
- FMI and EGR only affect the maximum value
- IMEP:
- Good qualitative agreement
- Noticeable deviation at SOE 50
- CA50:
- Even better agreement
- Only minor deviations observable



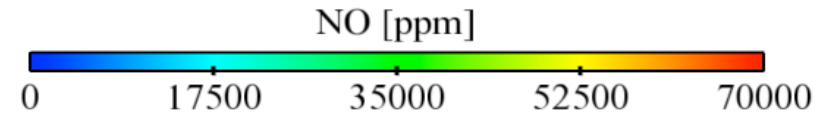
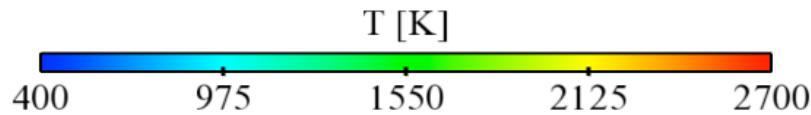
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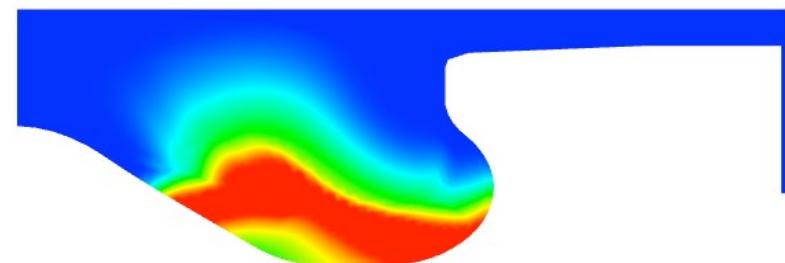
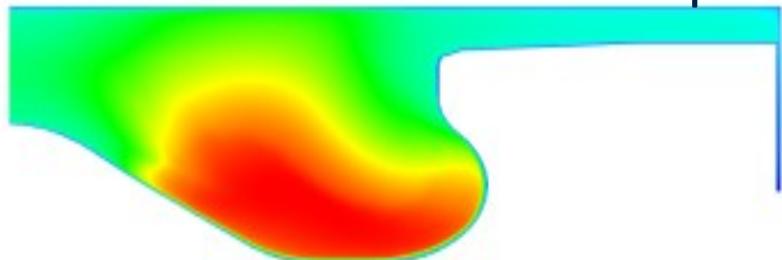
- Good agreement in terms of in-cylinder pressure
 - Ignition delay
 - Combustion
 - Peak pressure
 - Expansion
- Nitrogen oxides (NOx) and unburned hydrocarbons (HC):
 - Simulation captures experimental trend
 - Minor deviations for latest injection timing (NOx) and early injection timings (HC)



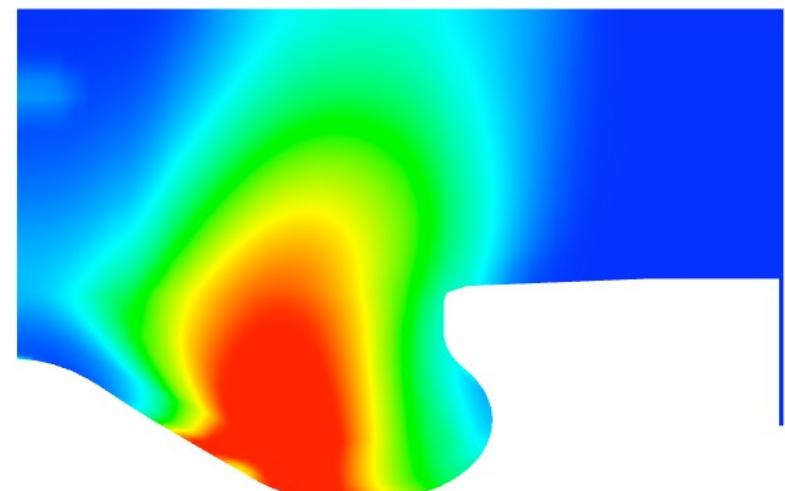
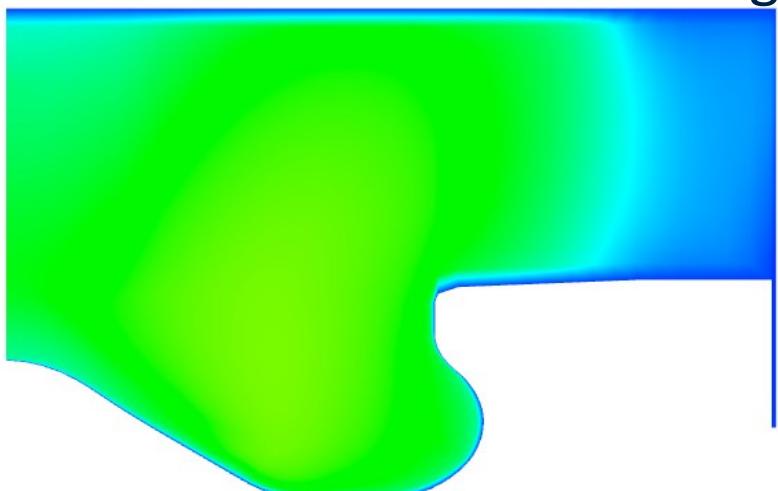
Injector cut plane SOE 40



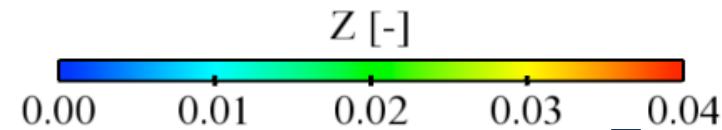
Top dead center



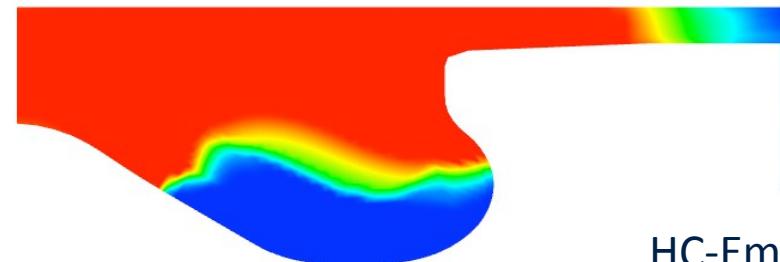
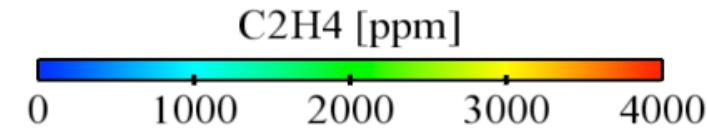
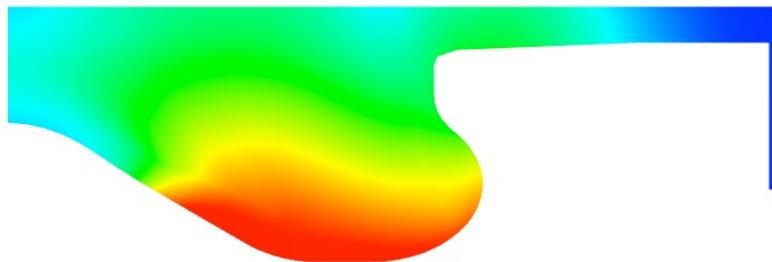
40 deg CA aTDC



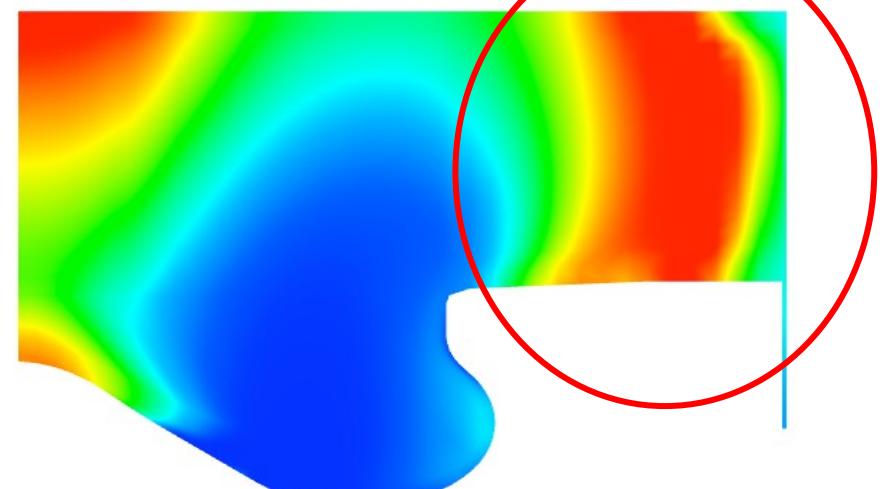
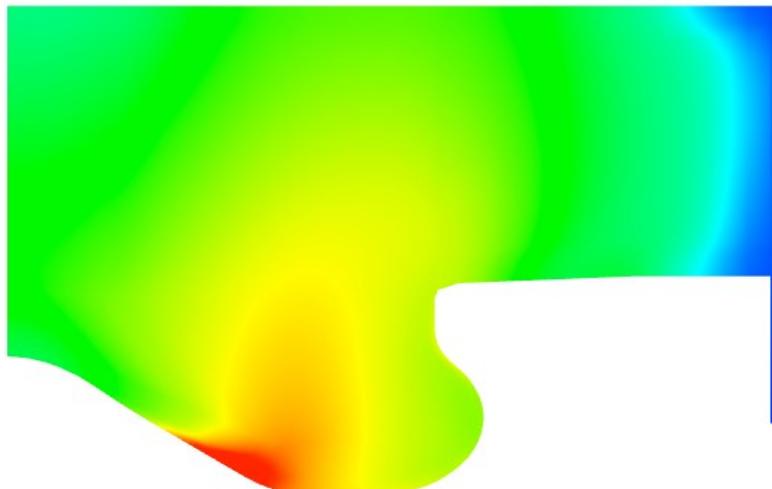
Injector cut plane SOE 50



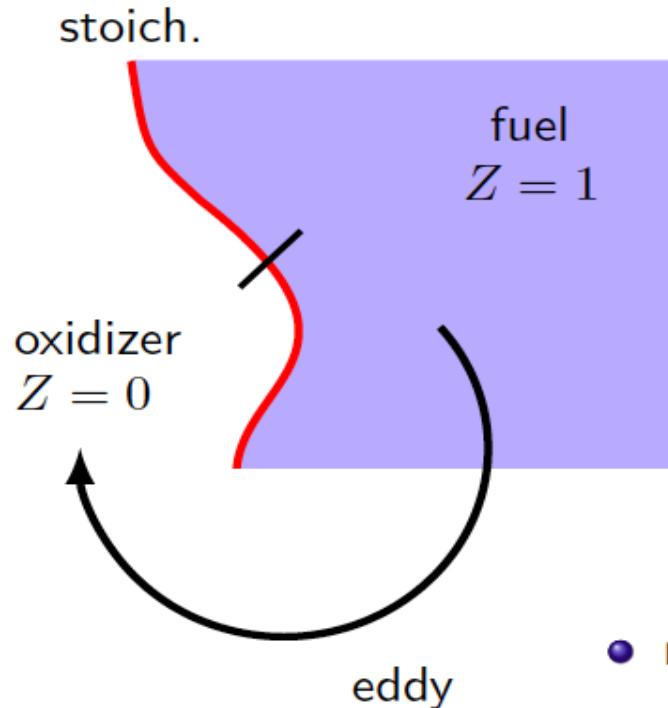
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40 deg CA aTDC



HC-Emissions

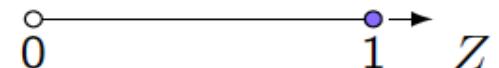


mixing
($\chi = 2D|\nabla Z|^2$)

$$\frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial t} = \frac{\chi}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Y_i}{\partial Z^2} + \dot{\omega}_i$$

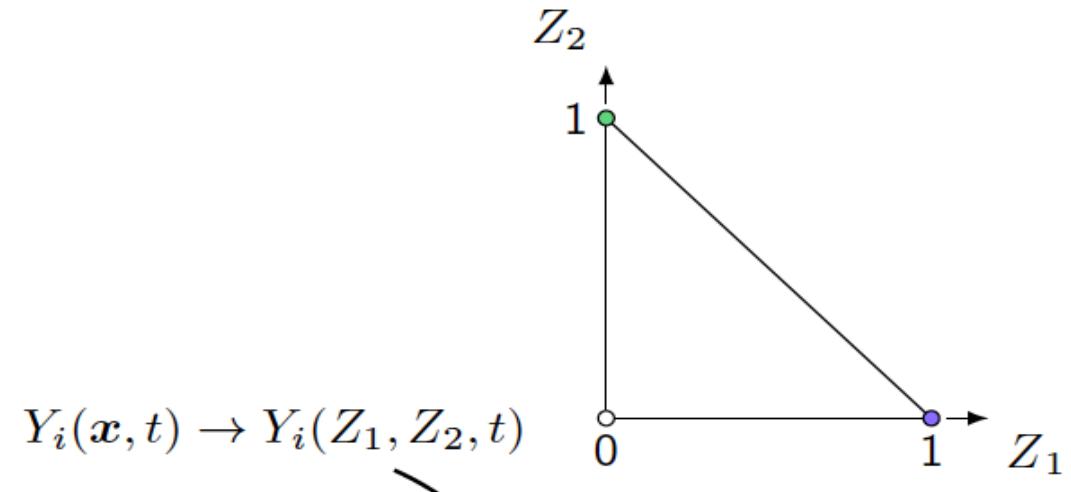
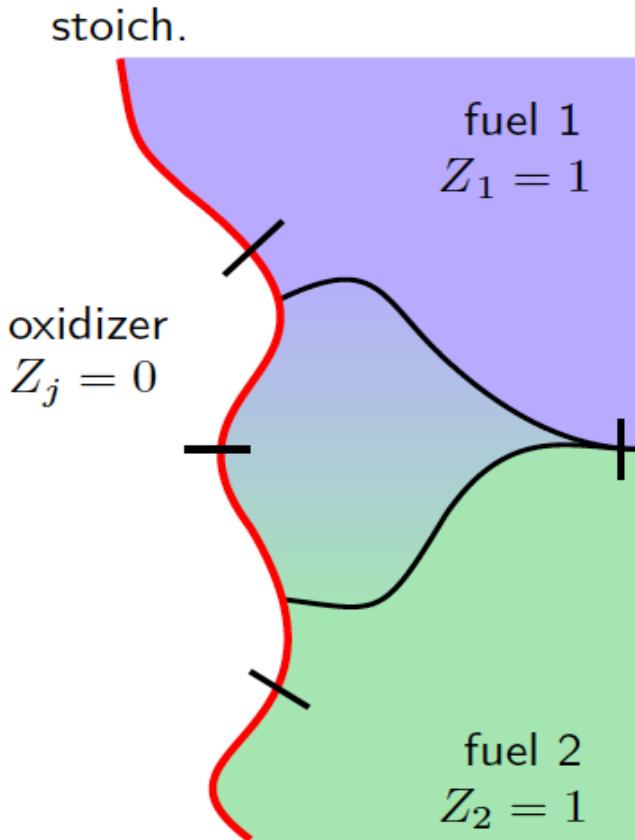
chemistry

$$Y_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \rightarrow Y_i(Z, t)$$



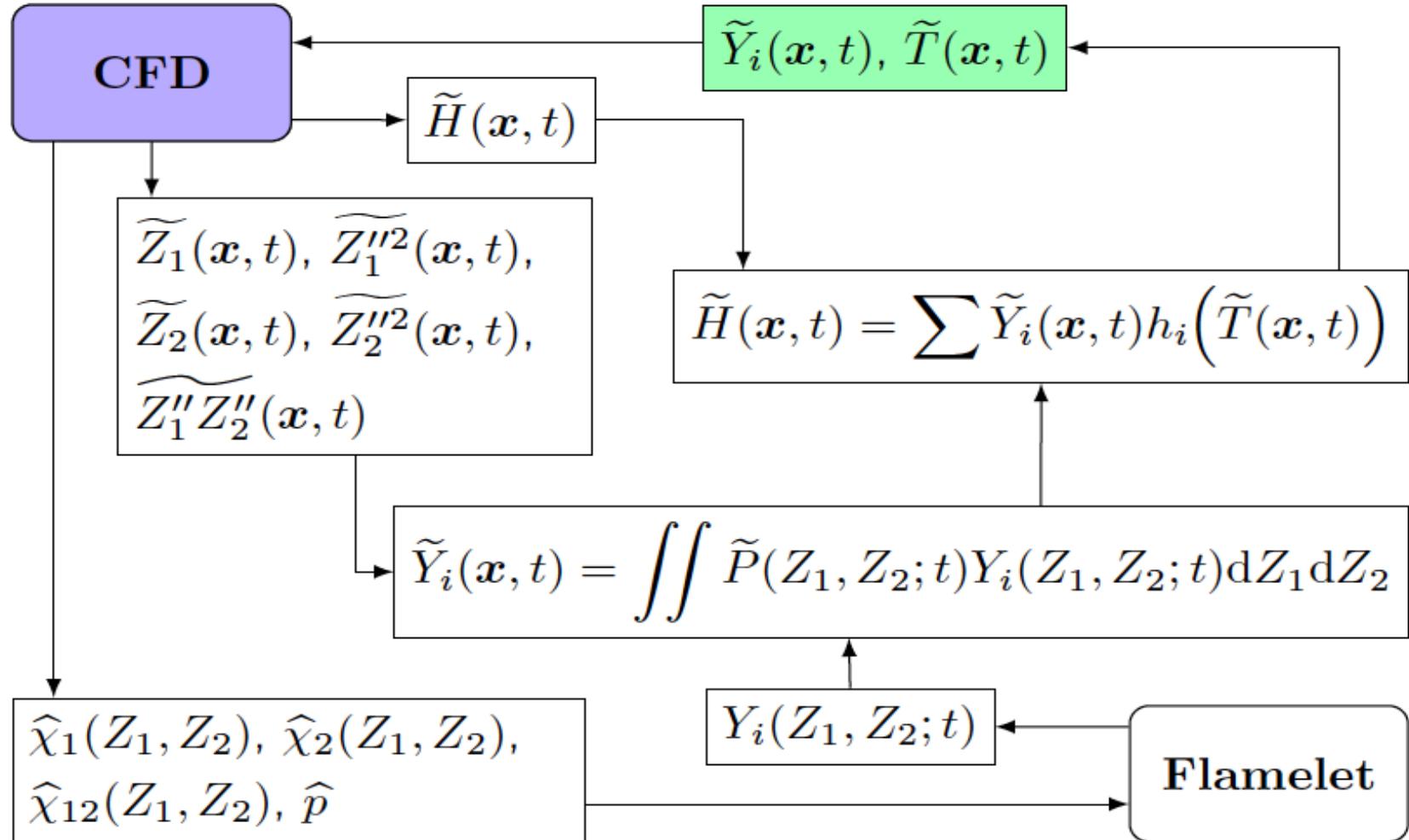
- mixing state described by composition space, Z
- allows for detailed chemistry

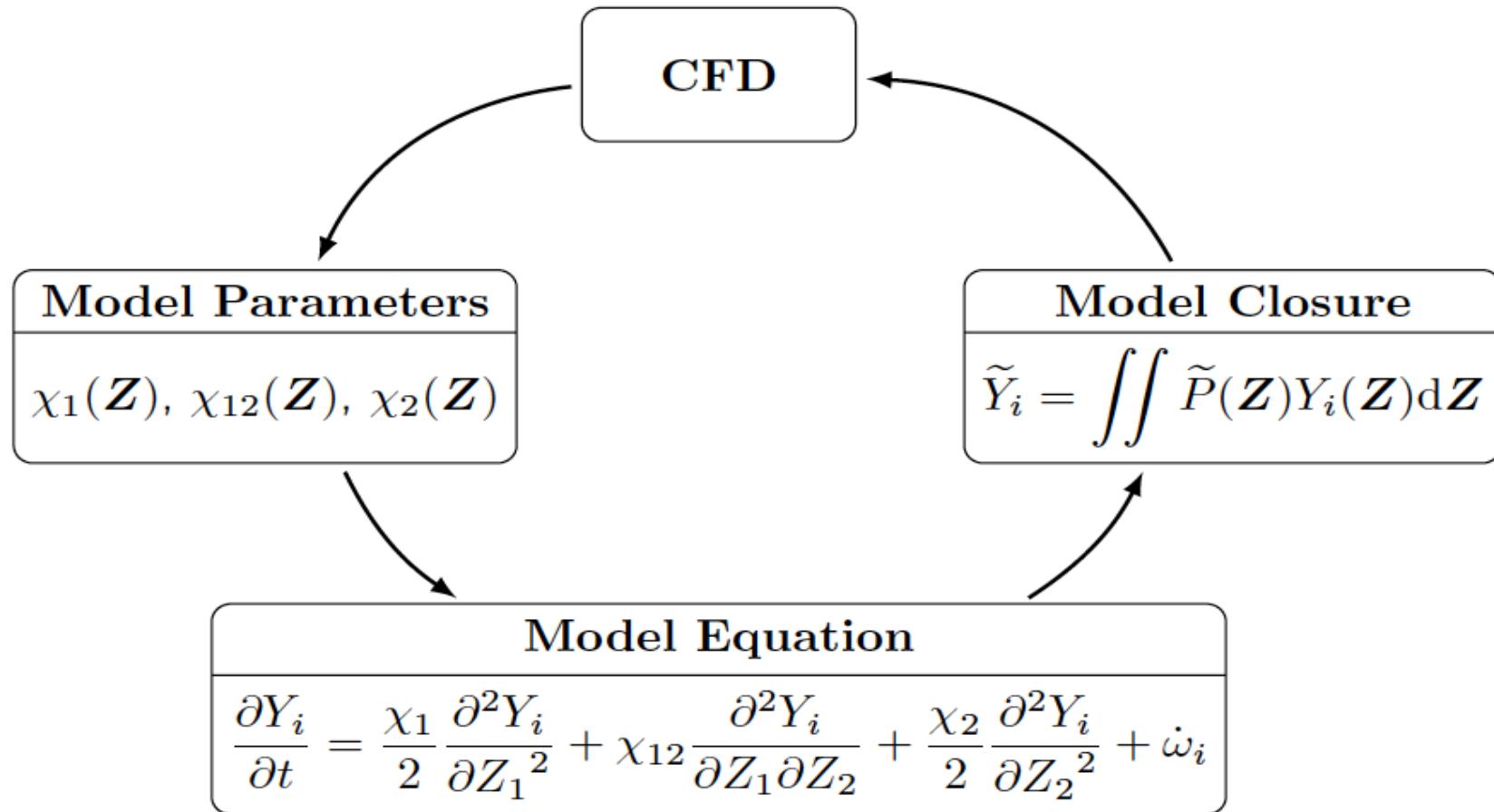
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$$Y_i(x, t) \rightarrow Y_i(Z_1, Z_2, t)$$

$$\frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial t} = \frac{\chi_1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Y_i}{\partial Z_1^2} + \chi_{12} \frac{\partial^2 Y_i}{\partial Z_1 \partial Z_2} + \frac{\chi_2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Y_i}{\partial Z_2^2} + \dot{\omega}_i$$





Specifications

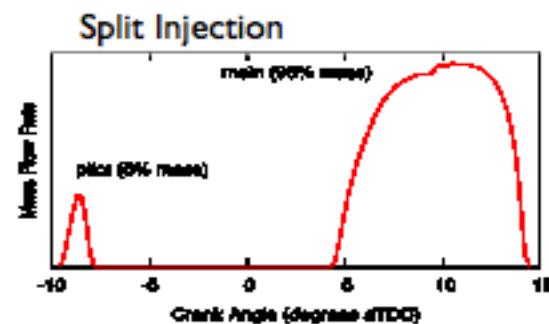
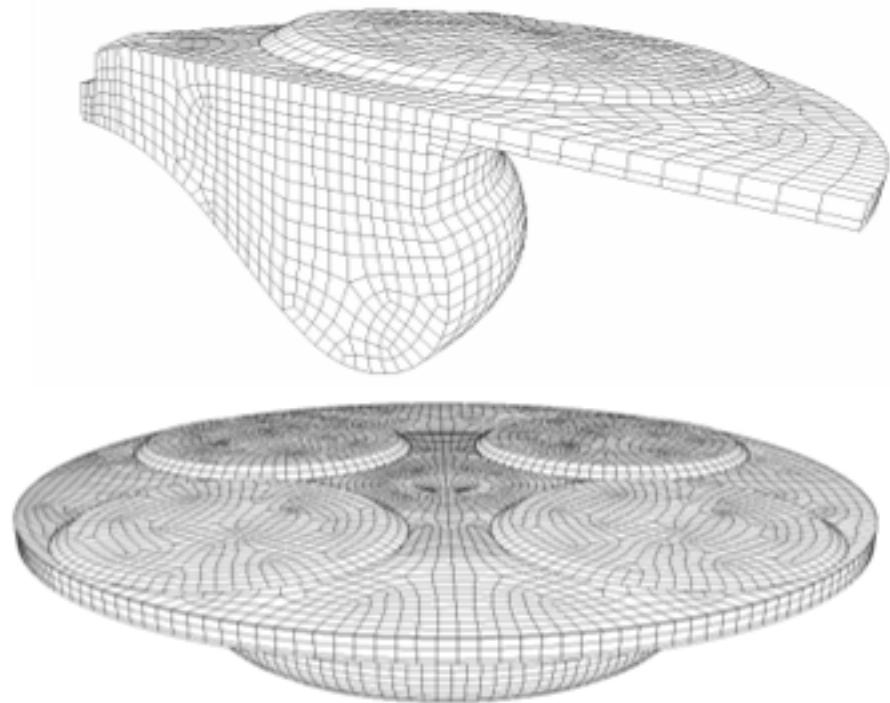
- Bore: 84.7 mm
- Stroke: 90 mm
- Displacement: 0.5 L
- Compression Ratio: 16

Operating Conditions

- Engine Speed: 2000 RPM
- IMEP: 8 bar
- Swirl Ratio: 2
- EGR: 20-30%

Bosch 7 hole Injector (CRI3.0/CRI3.2)

- Rail Pressure: 1500 bar
- Spray Angle: 160 degrees



Combustion Model

- Multi-dimensional flamelet model

CFD

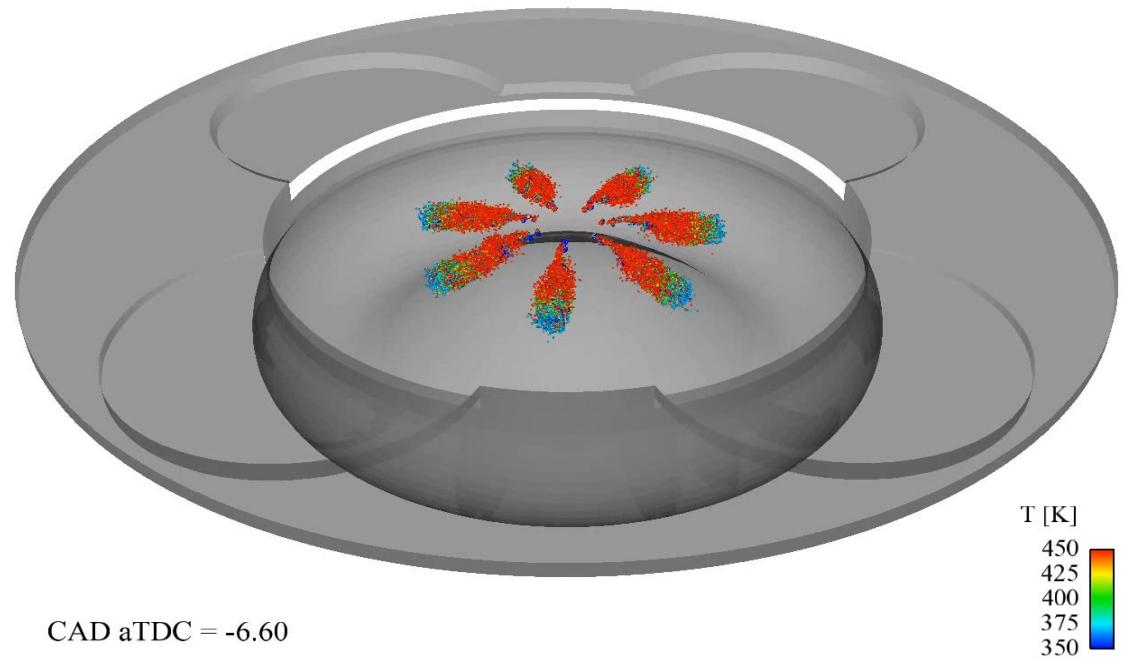
- Fluent Turbulent RANS
- k-epsilon realizable

Spray Model

- Discrete phase
- WAVE breakup model

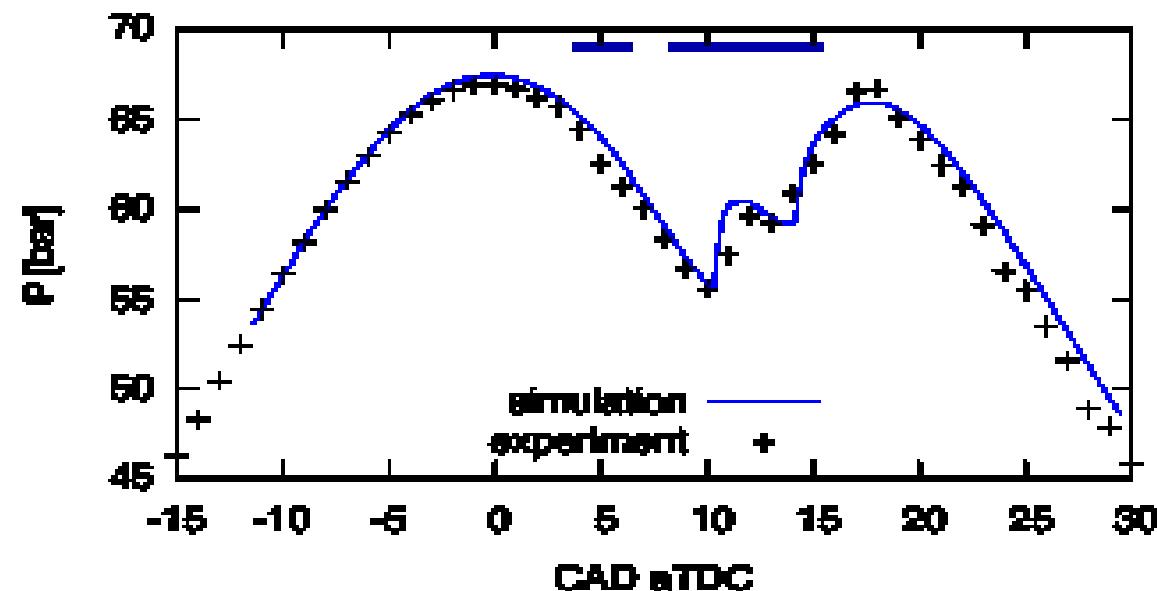
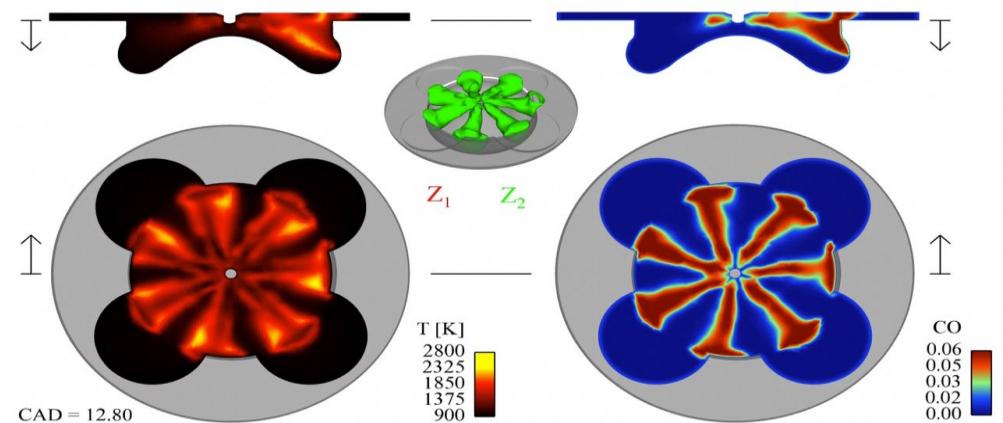
Mechanism^[1]

- n-heptane
- 36 species

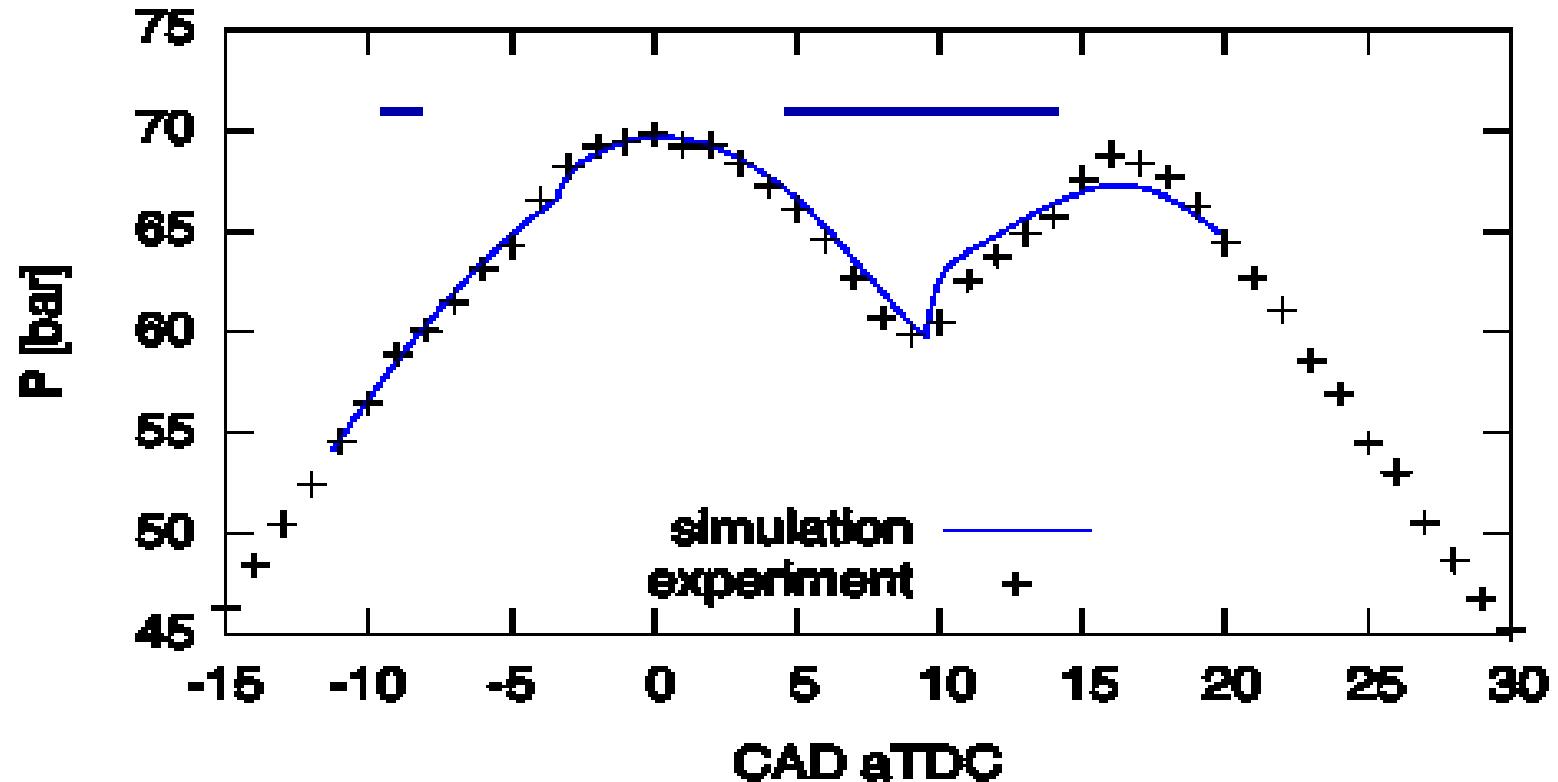


Close Pilot Injection

- Close pilot injection:
- IMEP: 8 bar
- 28% EGR



- Classic pilot injection:
 - IMEP: 8 bar
 - 24% EGR



Steady Laminar Flamelet Model

- Assumption that flame structure is in steady state

$$\cancel{\rho \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\rho \chi_{st}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial Z^2} = \dot{\omega}_T}$$
$$\cancel{\rho \frac{\partial Y_\alpha}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\rho \chi_{st}}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Y_\alpha}{\partial Z^2} = \dot{m}'_\alpha''}$$

- Assumption often good, except slow chemical and physical processes, such as
 - Pollutant formation
 - Radiation
 - Extinction/re-ignition
- Model formulation
 - Solve steady flamelet equations with varying χ_{st}
 - Tabulate in terms of χ_{st} or progress variable C , e.g. $C = Y_{CO_2} + Y_{HO_2} + Y_{CO} + Y_{H_2}$
 - Presumed PDF, typically beta function for Z , delta function for dissipation rate or reaction progress parameter

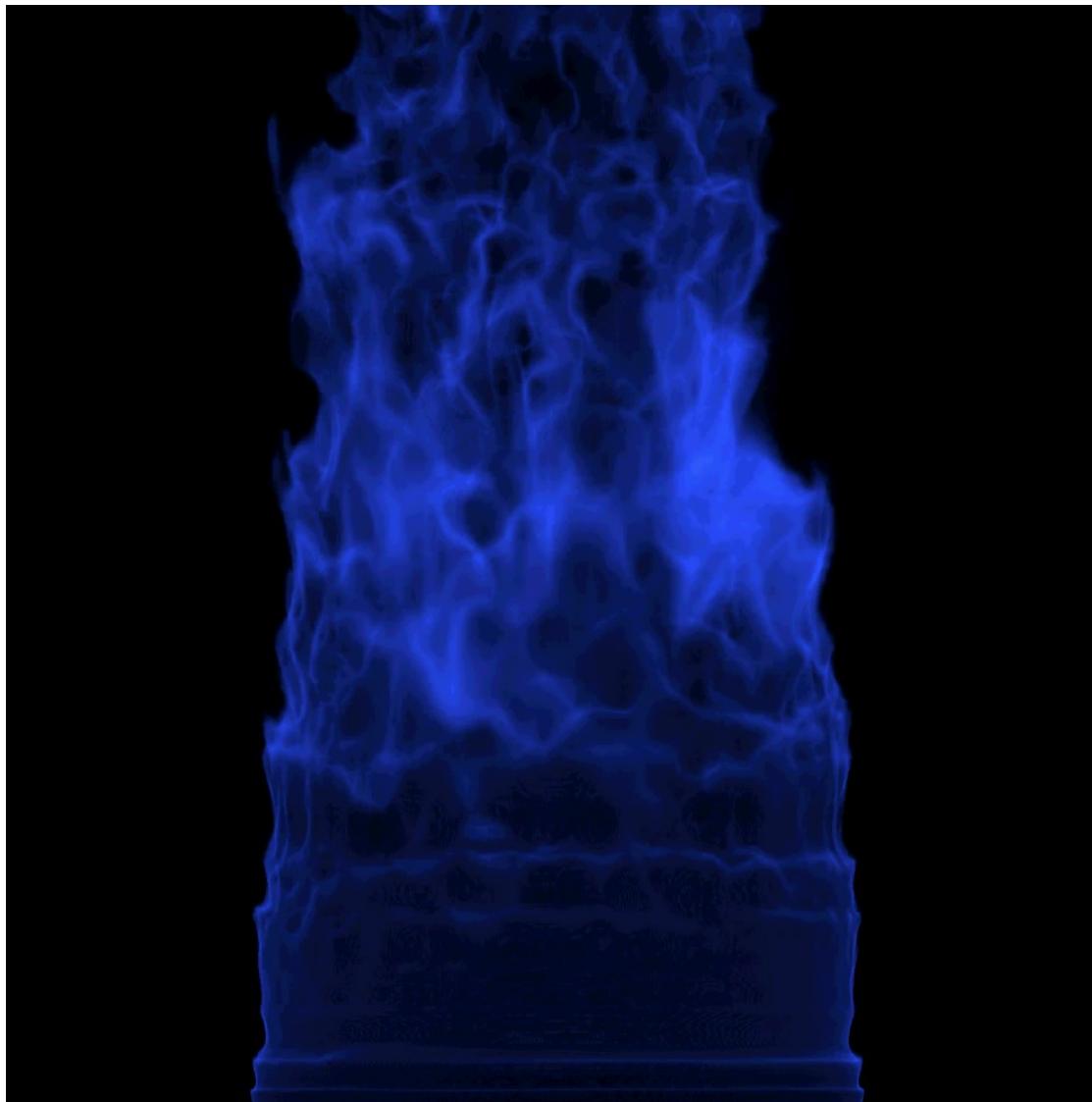
Example: LES of a Bluff-Body Stabilized Flame

- Bluff-body stabilized methane/air flame
 - Fuel issues through center of bluff body
 - Flame stabilization by complex recirculating flow
 - RANS models were unsuccessful in predicting experimental data
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- Here, LES using simple steady flamelet model
 - New recursive filter refinement method
 - Accurate models for scalar variance and scalar dissipation rate

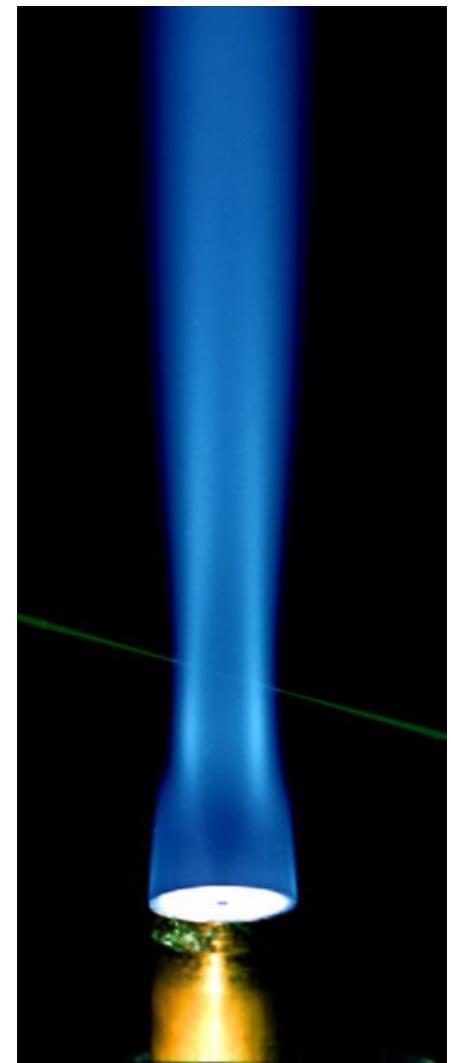
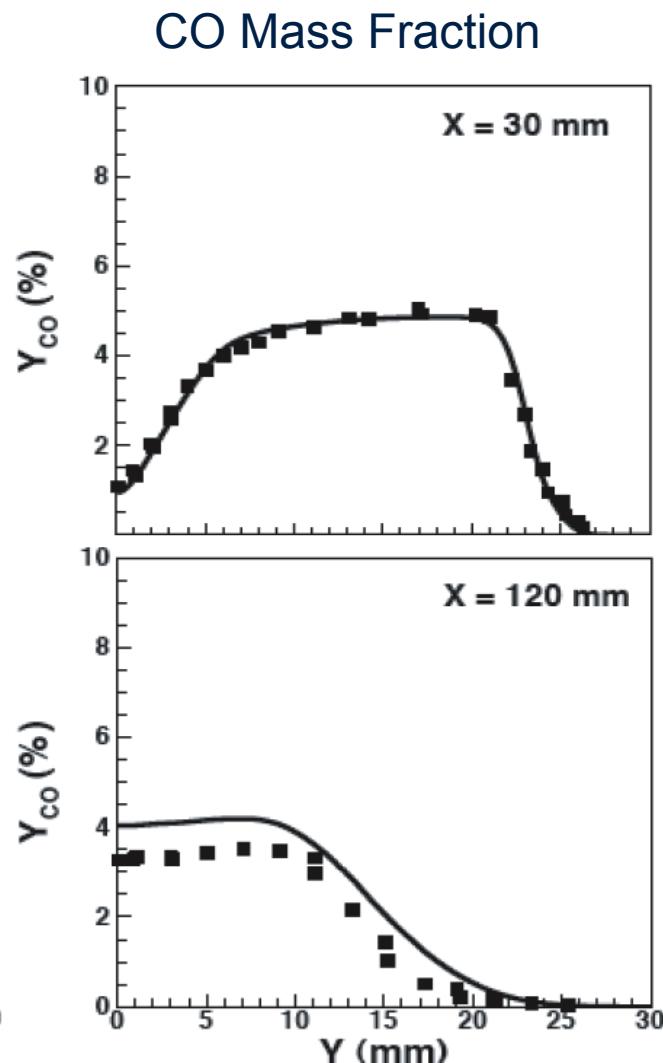
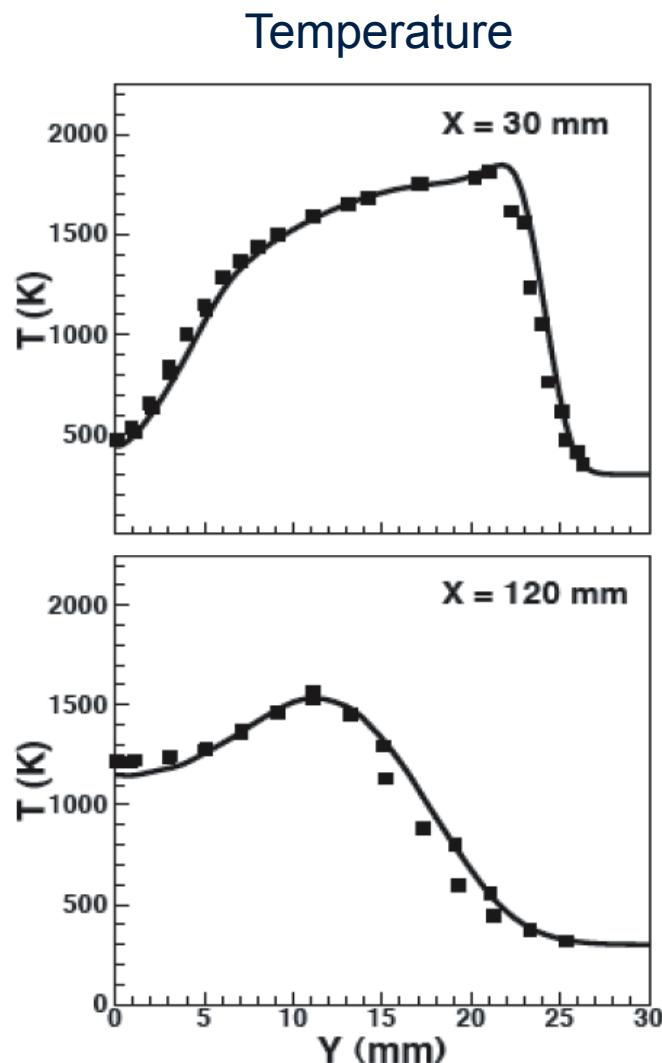


Exp. by Masri et al.

Example: LES of a Bluff-Body Stabilized Flame



Example: LES of a Bluff-Body Stabilized Flame



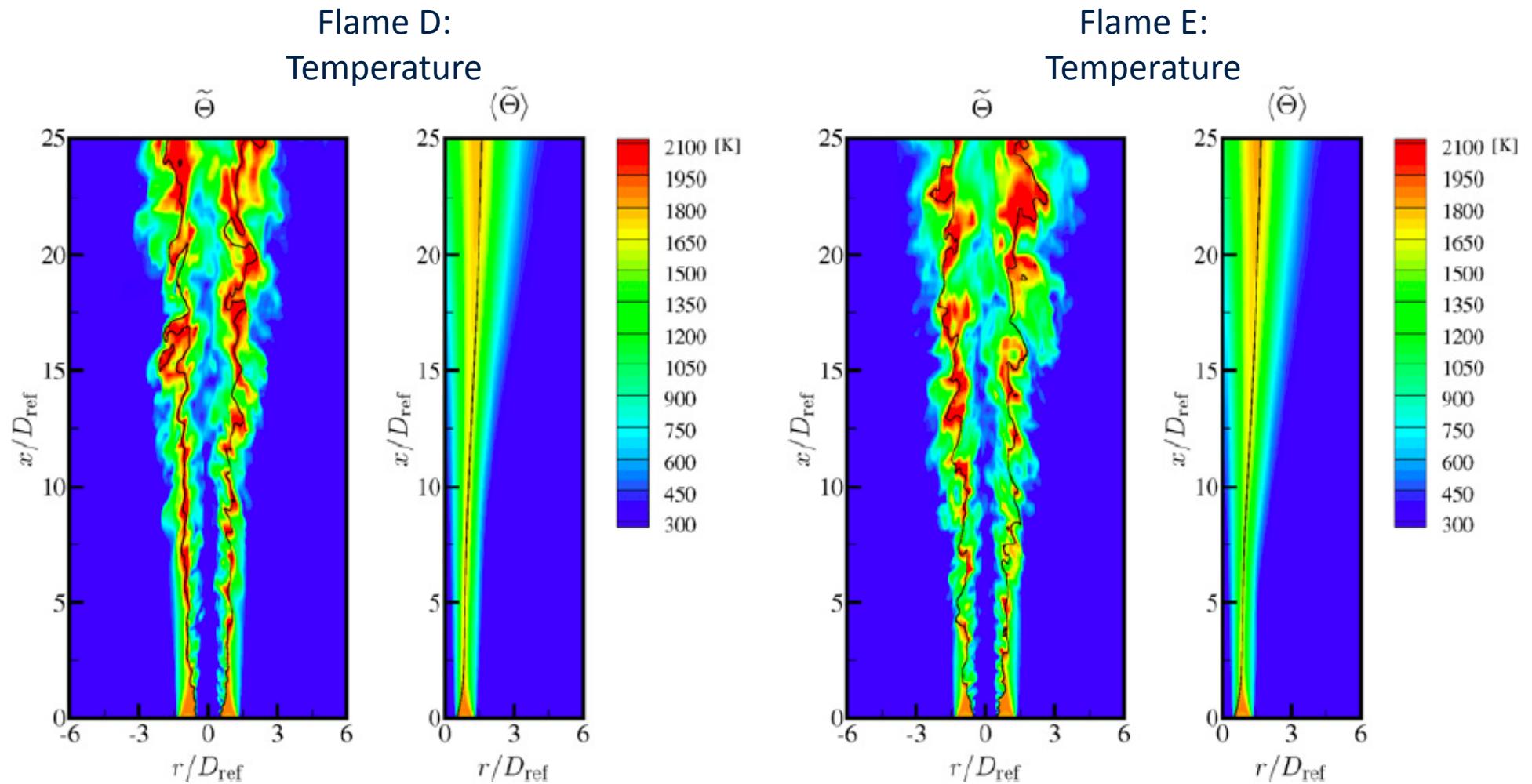
Flamelet model application to jet flame with extinction and reignition

- Flamelet/progress variable model (Ihme & Pitsch, 2008)
- Definition of reaction progress parameter
 - Based on progress variable C
 - Defined to be independent of Z
- Joint pdf of Z and λ
 - Z and λ independent
 - Beta function for Z
 - Statistically most likely distribution for λ

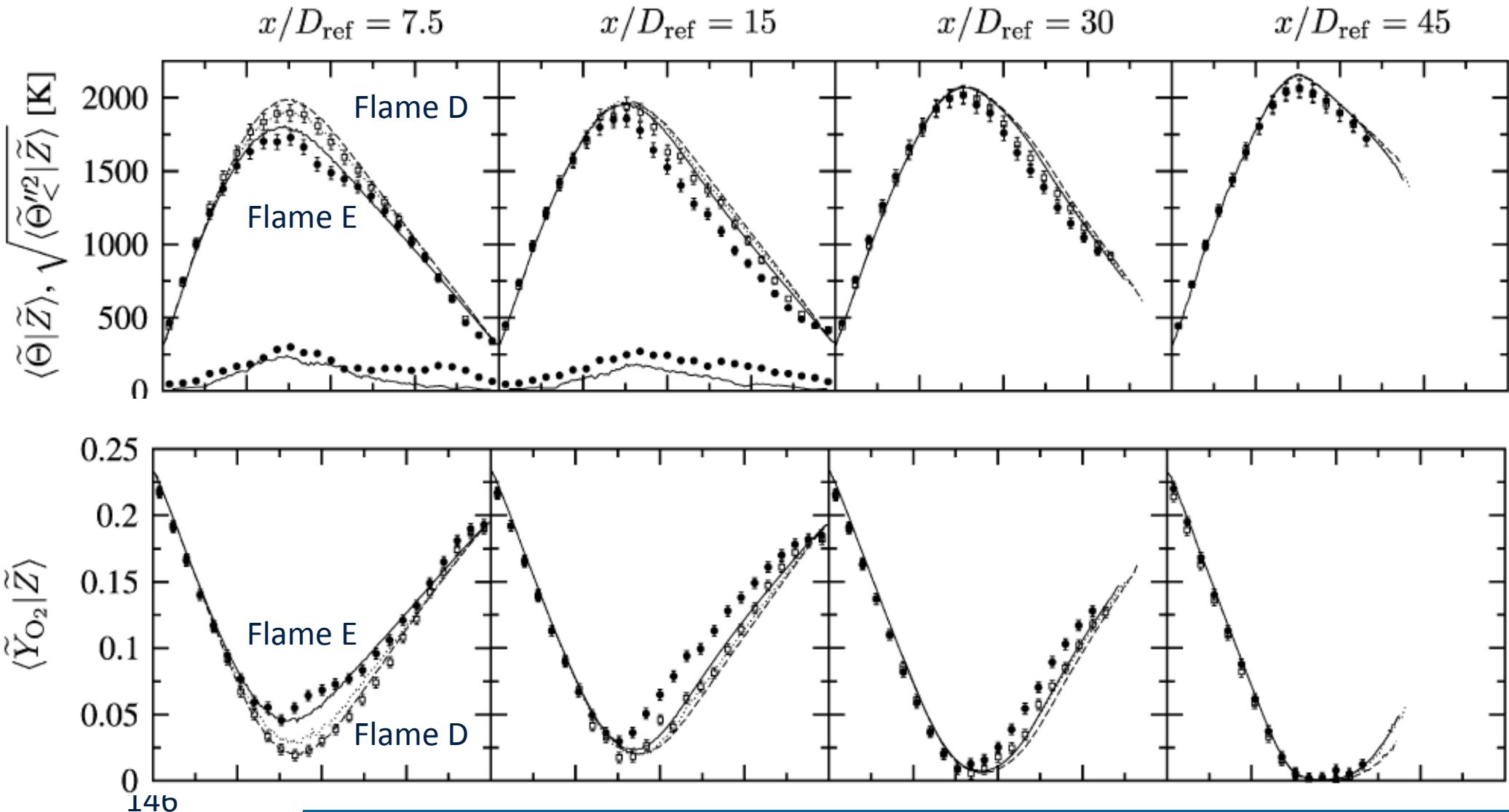


Exp. by Barlow et al.

Flamelet Model Application to Sandia Jet Flames



Flamelet Model Application to Sandia Jet Flames



Summary

Part II: Turbulent Combustion

- Turbulence
- Turbulent Premixed Combustion
- Turbulent Non-Premixed Combustion
- **Turbulent Combustion Modeling**
- Applications

- Moment Methods for reactive scalars
- Simple Models in Fluent: EBU, EDM, FRCM, EDM/FRCM
- Introduction in Statistical Methods: PDF, CDF,...
- Transported PDF Model
- Modeling Turbulent Premixed Combustion
 - BML-Model
 - Level Set Approach/G-equation
- Modeling Turbulent Non-Premixed Combustion
 - Conserved Scalar Based Models for Non-Premixed Turbulent Combustion
 - Flamelet-Model
 - Application: RIF, steady flamelet model