

Large Scale Industrial-Use Dust Injectors: Modeling, Evaluation

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Introduction

- ISO dust injectors are used to disperse particles, e.g. A2 dust.
- The equipment can be a dust generator for testing internal combustion engines and compressors.
- The dispersed particles have different size distributions from the ones provided by manufacturers.
- Reasons for the difference:
 - ✓ Manufacturers' methods: wet sample dispersion, surfactants, ultrasonication, laser diffraction instrument.
 - ✓ General users' methods: ISO dust injectors, compressed air, aerosol instrument (e.g. APS).

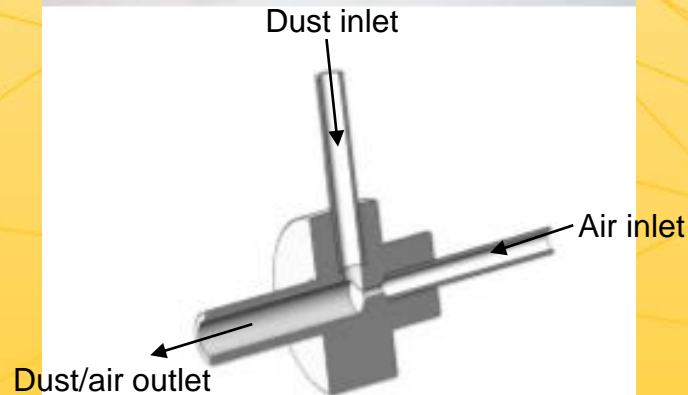


Objective

- To perform numerical simulations on the air flow inside dust injectors.
- To conduct CFD analysis on the velocity, temperature and pressure fields of 2 different injector configurations.
- To test the particle size distributions of dust injectors using shadowgraphy method.
- To compare the numerical results with the experimental data.
- To design a new injector with better performance of dust dispersion according to the comparison.



Flow Configurations of ISO Dust Injectors



ISO dust injector



ISO heavy-duty dust injector

[1] ISO 5011:2000 Inlet air cleaning equipment for internal combustion engines and compressors - Performance testing.



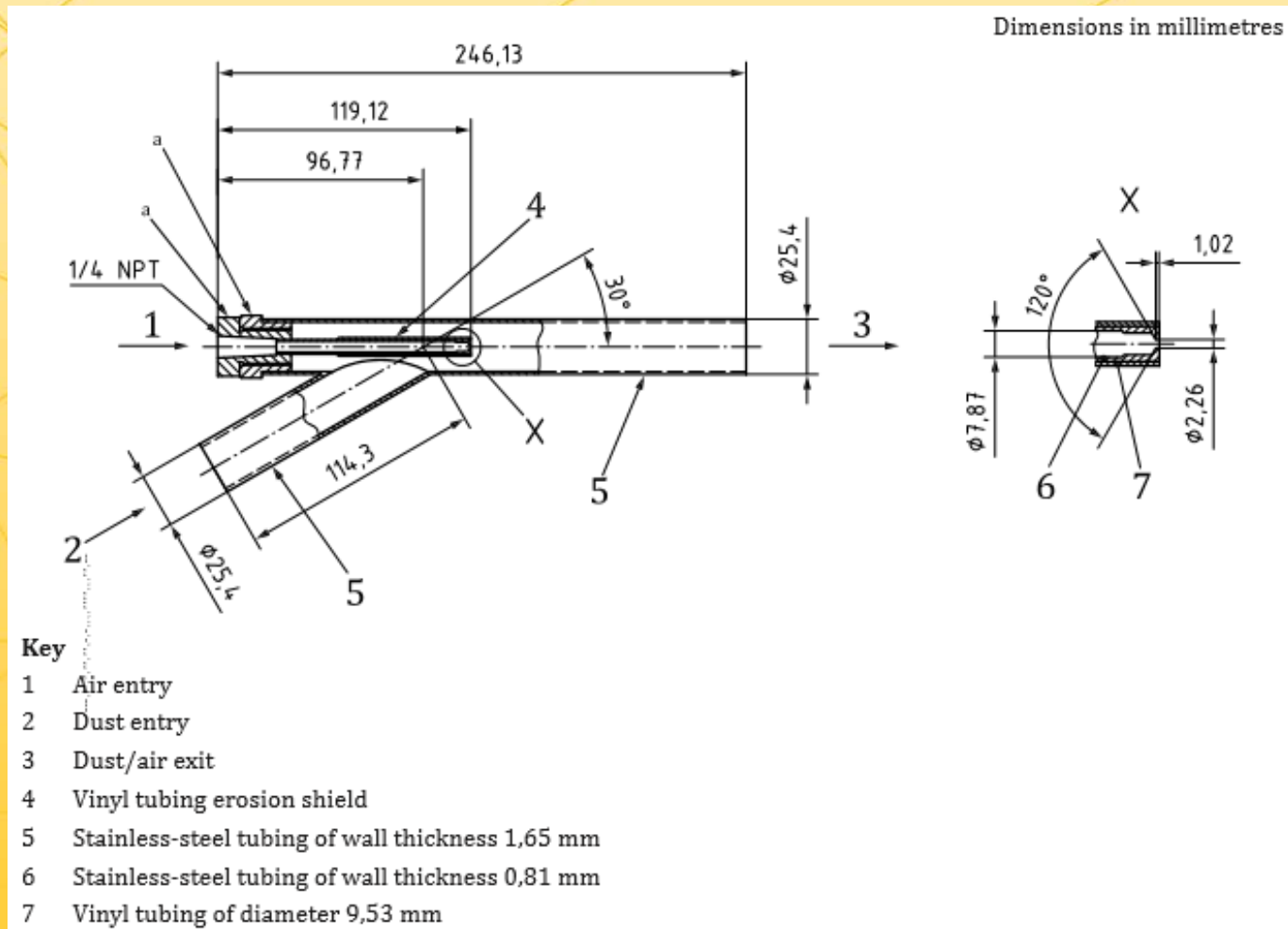
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- 1 Air entry
- 2 Dust entry
- 3 Dust/air exit

2D Drawing of ISO Heavy-duty Dust Injector

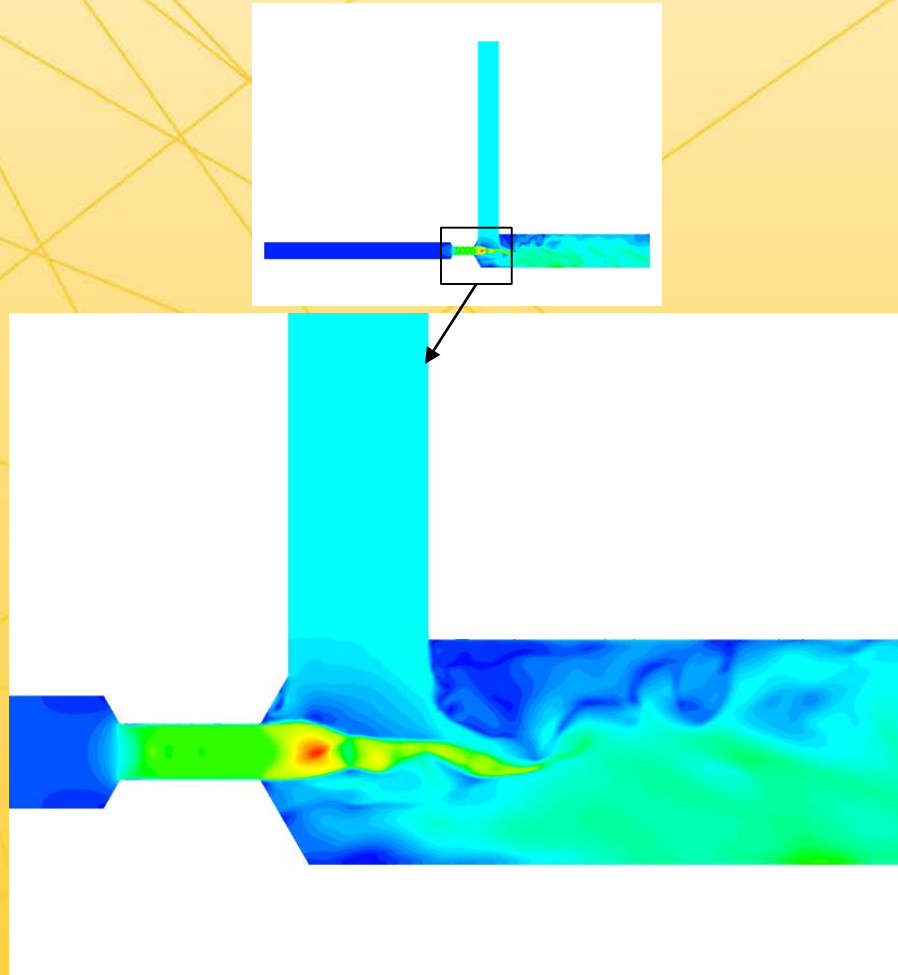


Model Description

- $Re \gg 4000$, $Ma > 0.3$
- Indicating Inviscid and compressible flow
- Equations solved in the Ansys Fluent software:
- Fully compressible Euler Equations
- Energy Equation

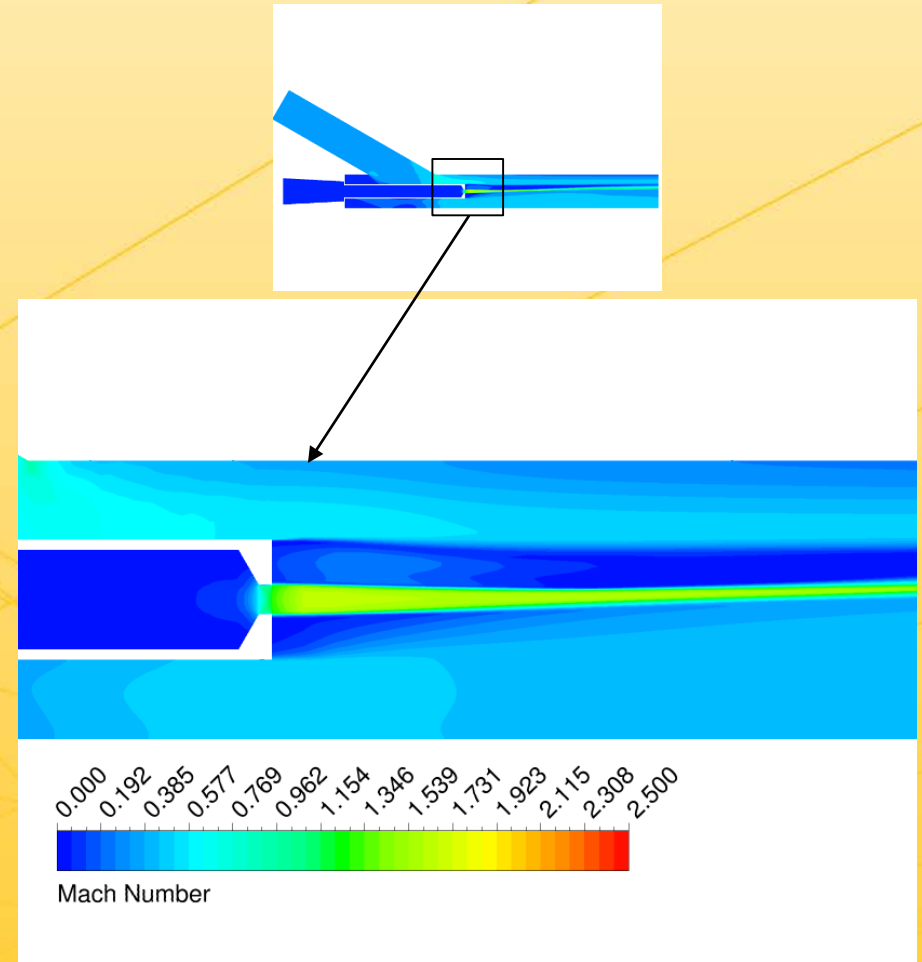


Contours of Mach Number $M = \frac{V}{c}$



ISO dust injector

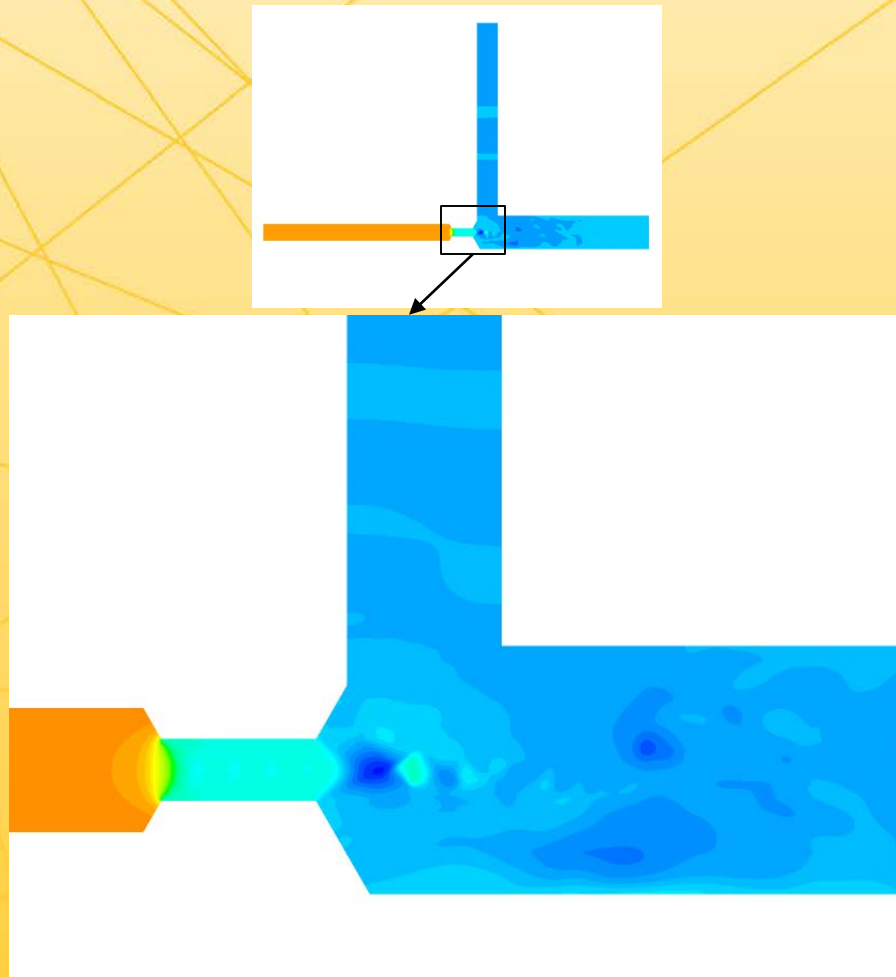
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ISO heavy-duty dust injector

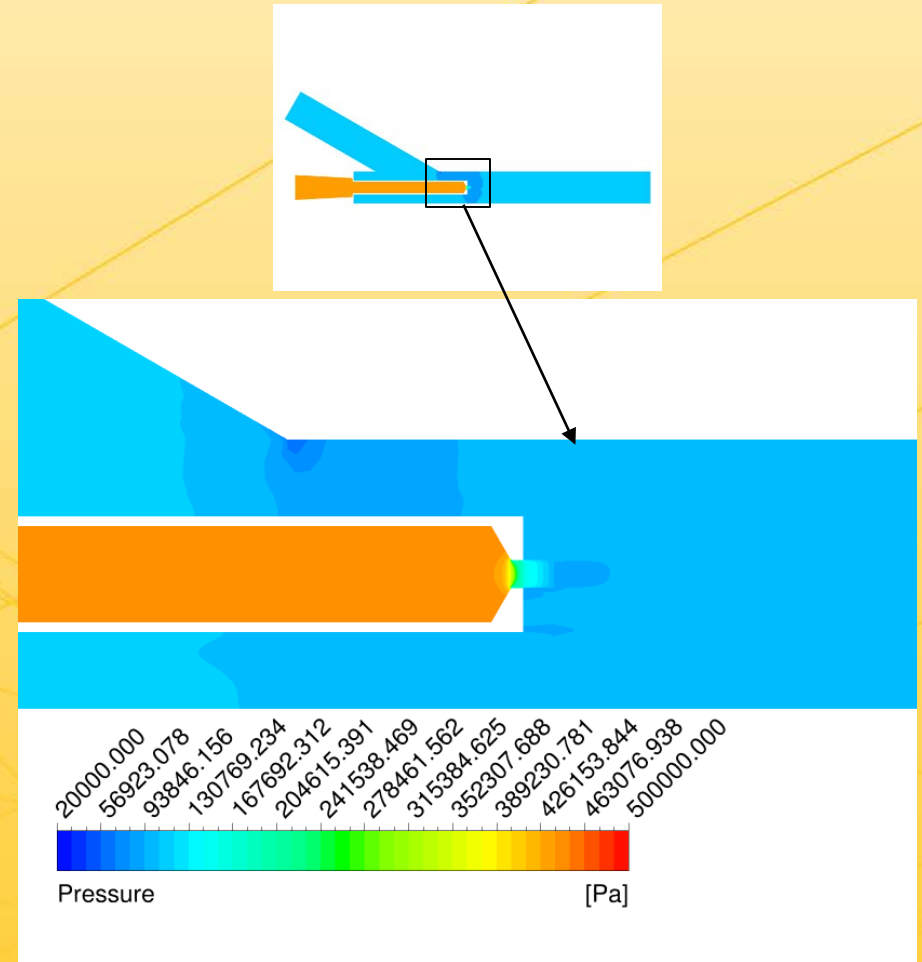
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Contours of Pressure



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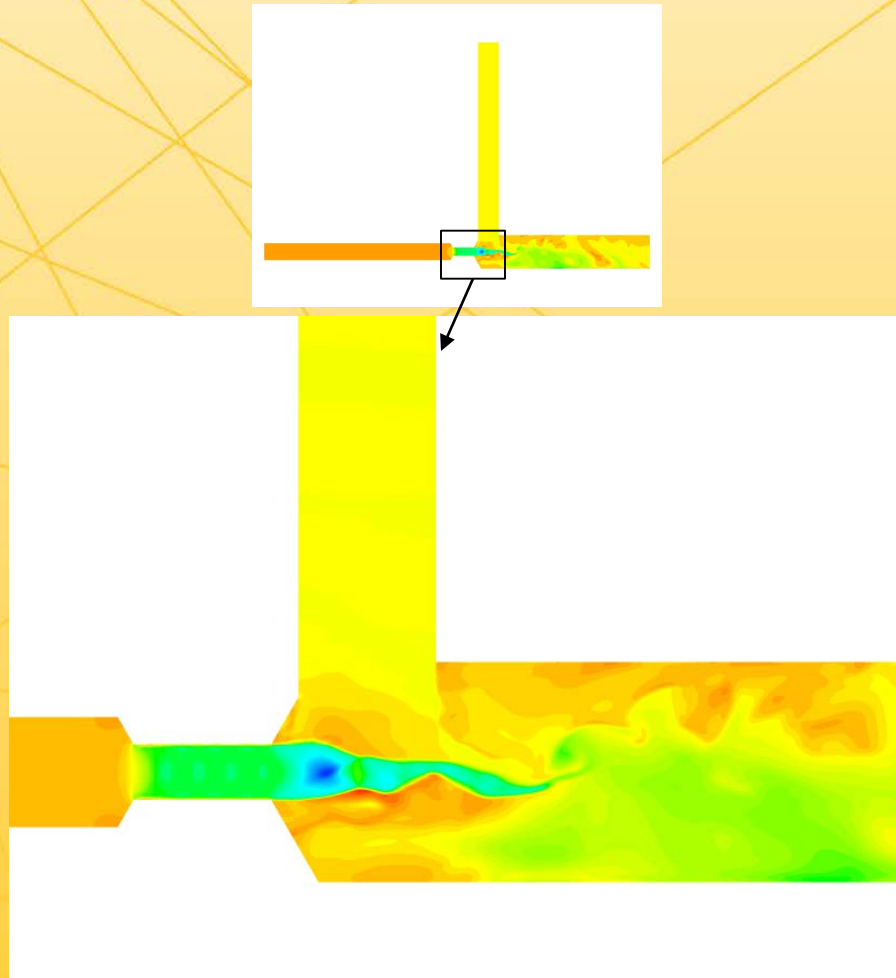
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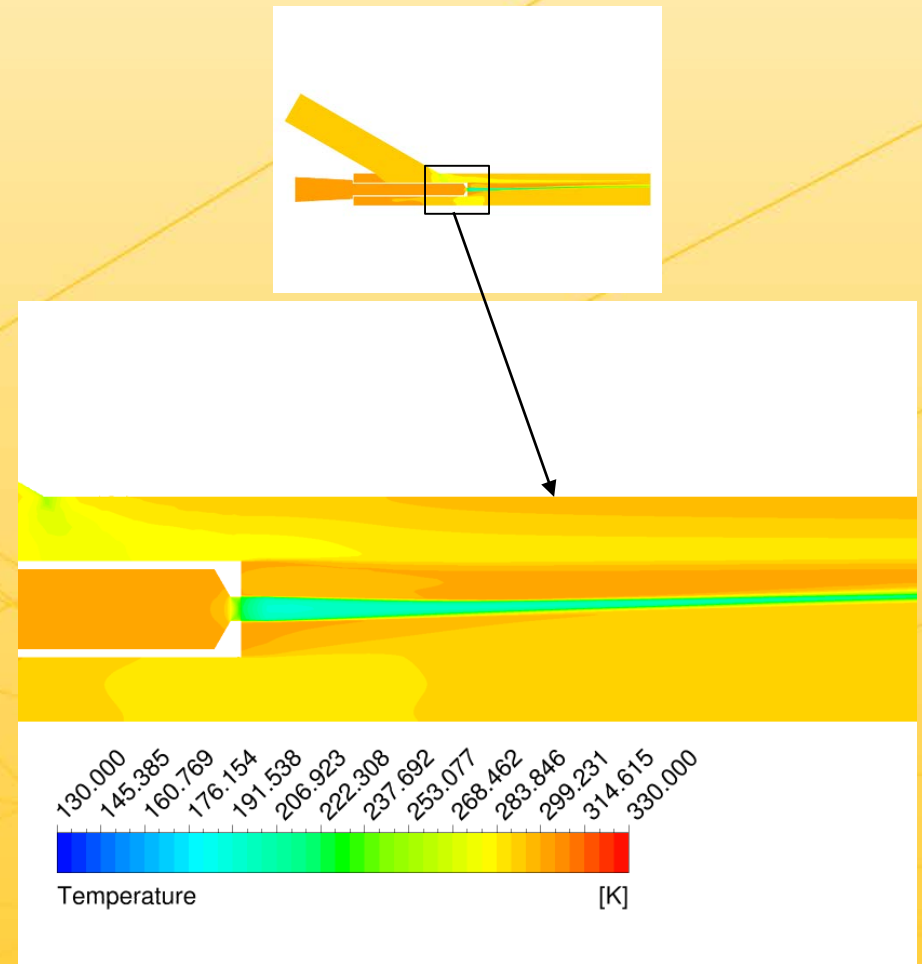
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Contours of Temperature



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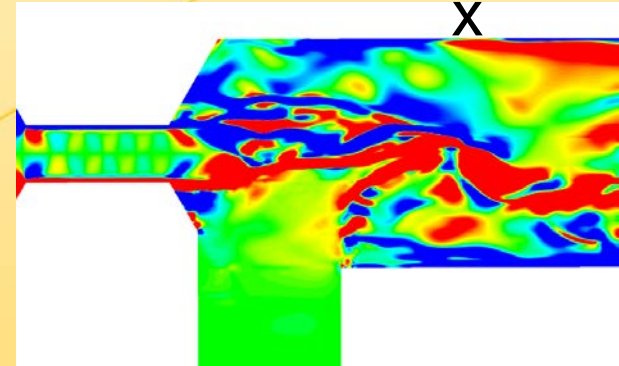
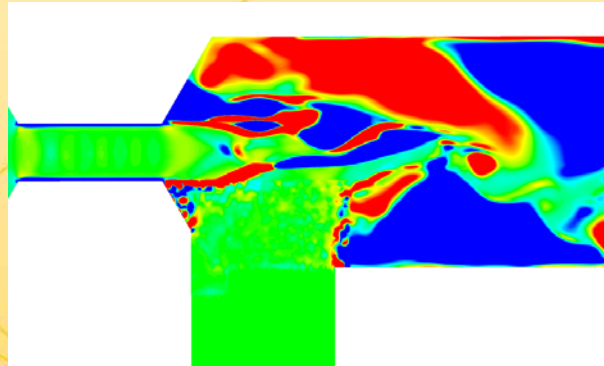
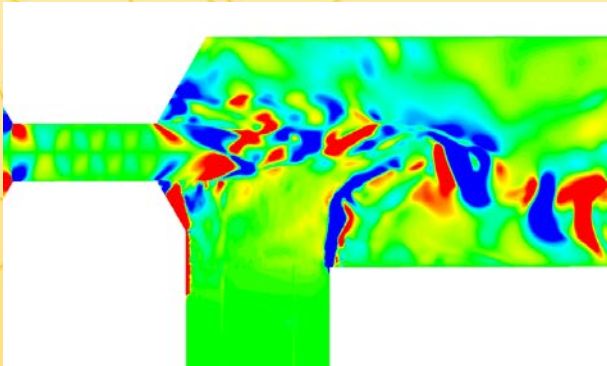
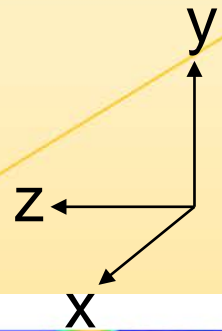
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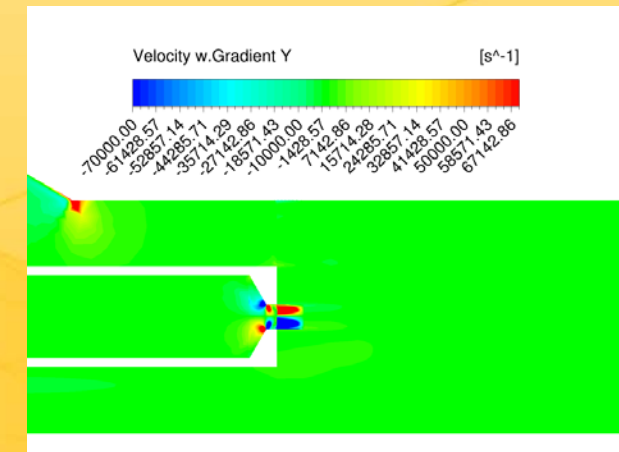
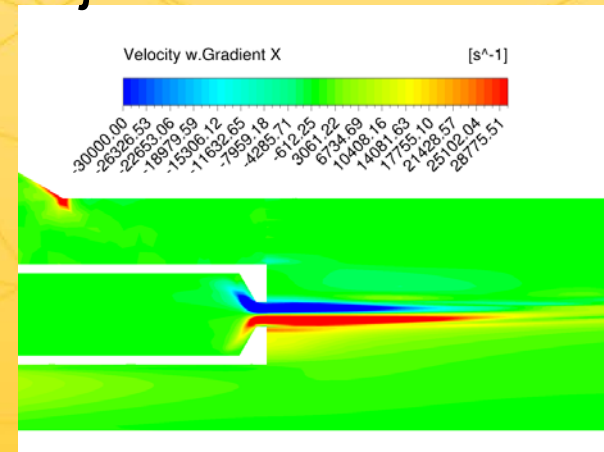
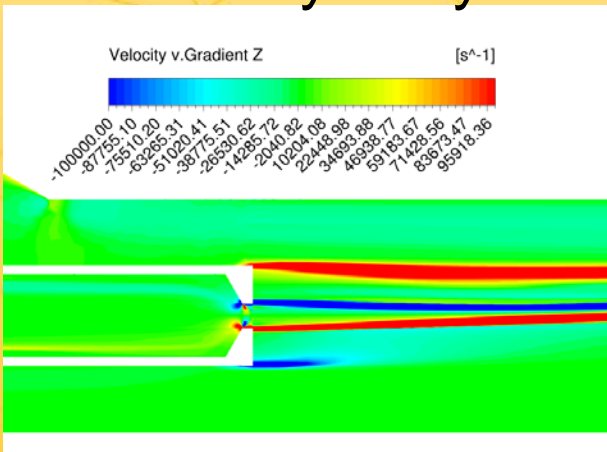


Contours of velocity gradients

ISO Dust Injector



ISO Heavy-Duty Dust Injector



$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}$$

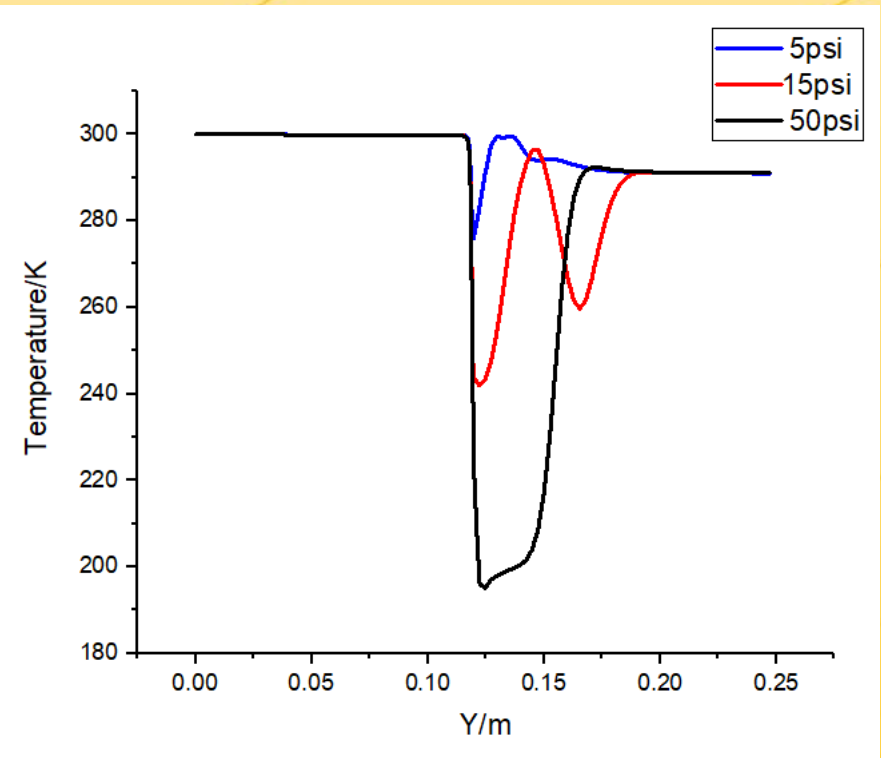
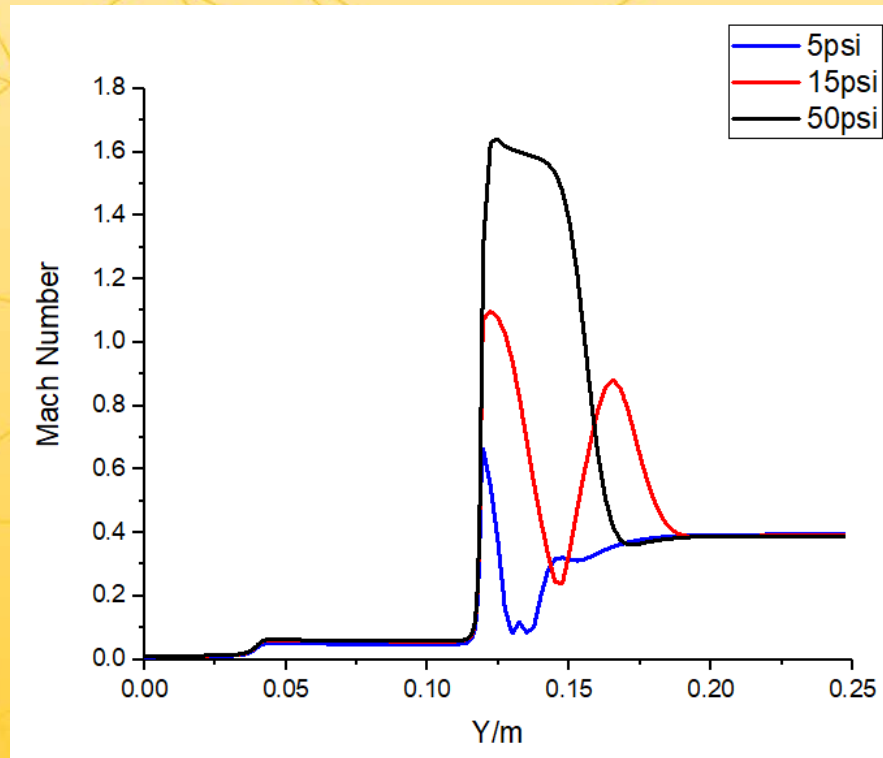


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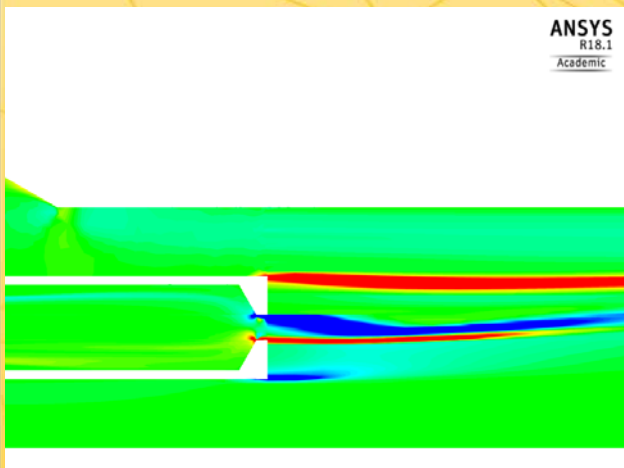
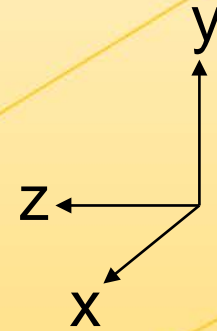
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Graphs for Different Inlet Pressures – Mach Number and Temperature

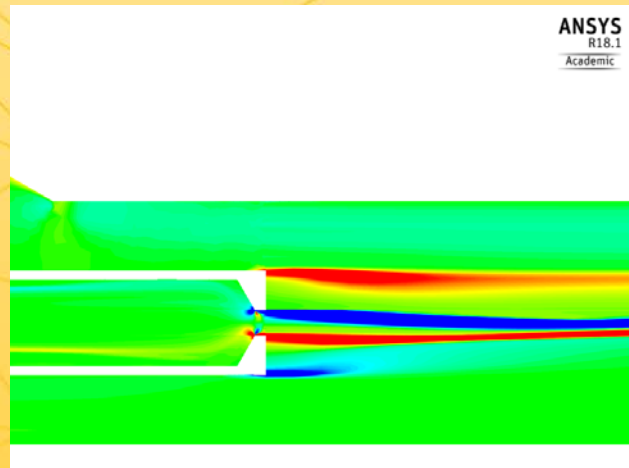


Contours for Different Inlet Pressures

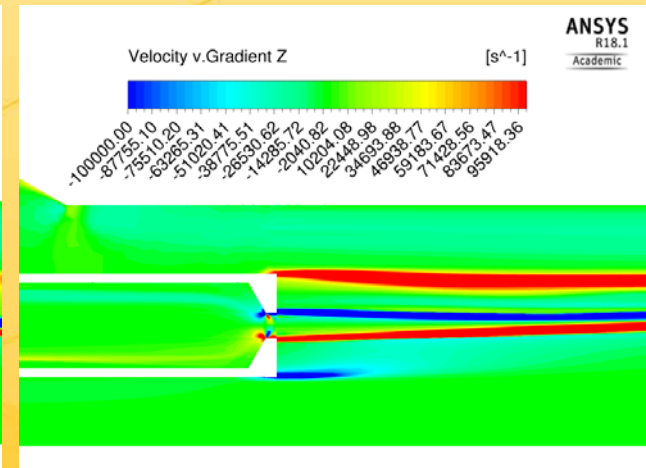
- Velocity v. Gradient of z



5psi



15psi



50psi



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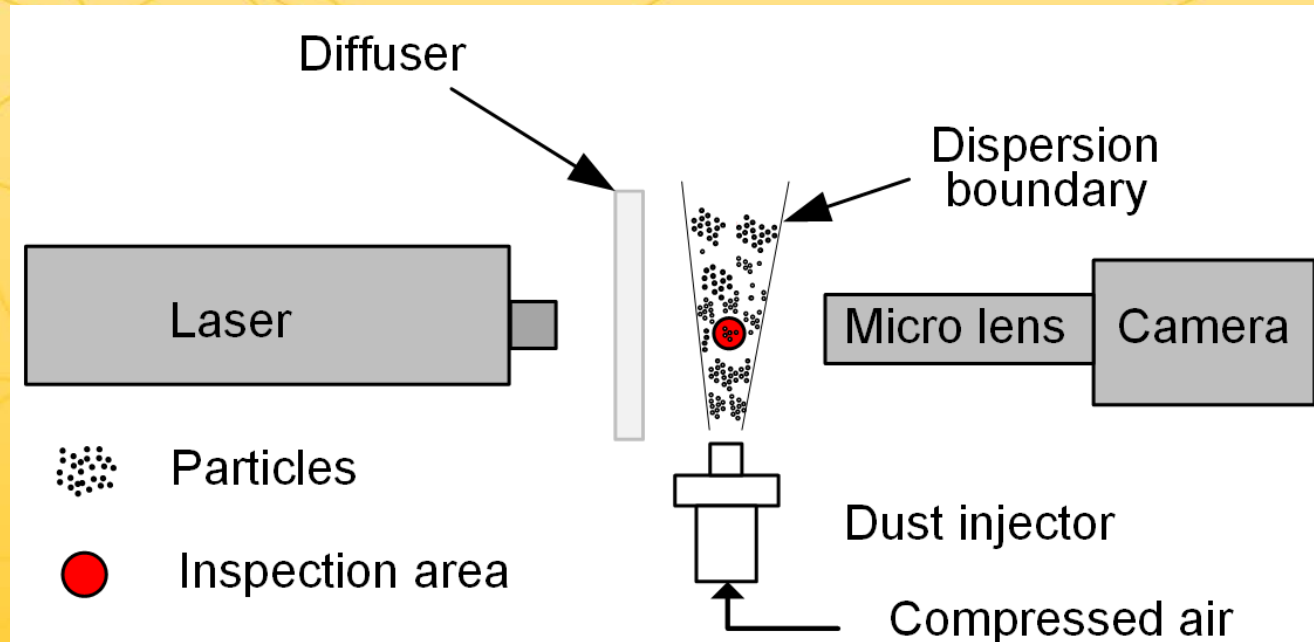
Conclusions- Numerical Simulation

- The flow fields of two dust injectors are quite different
- The Mach Number becomes higher with increasing inlet air pressure
- Velocity Gradient increases with inlet air pressure, which contributes to the higher shear stress
- The performance of dust particle dispersion should be better with higher inlet air pressure

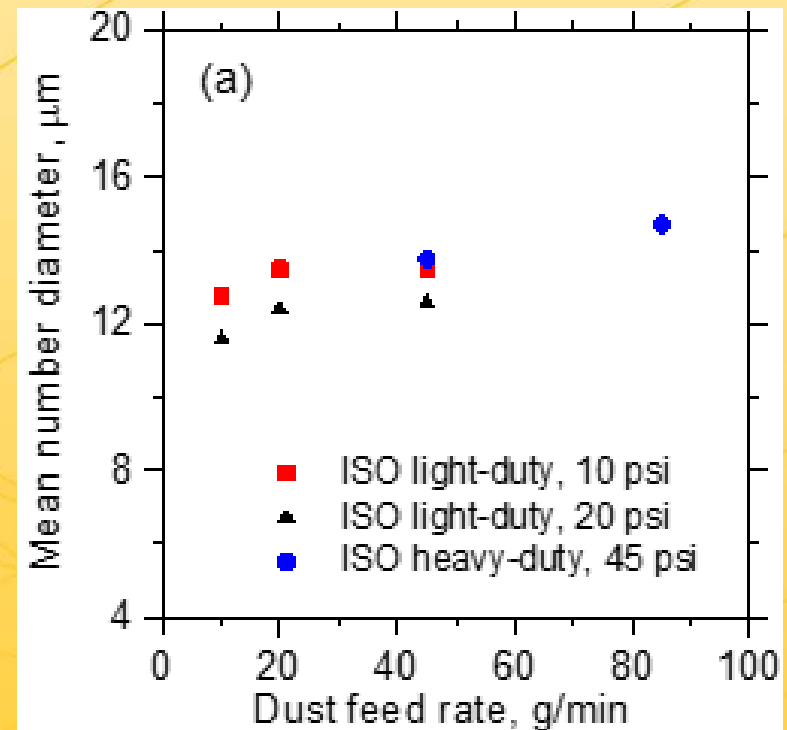
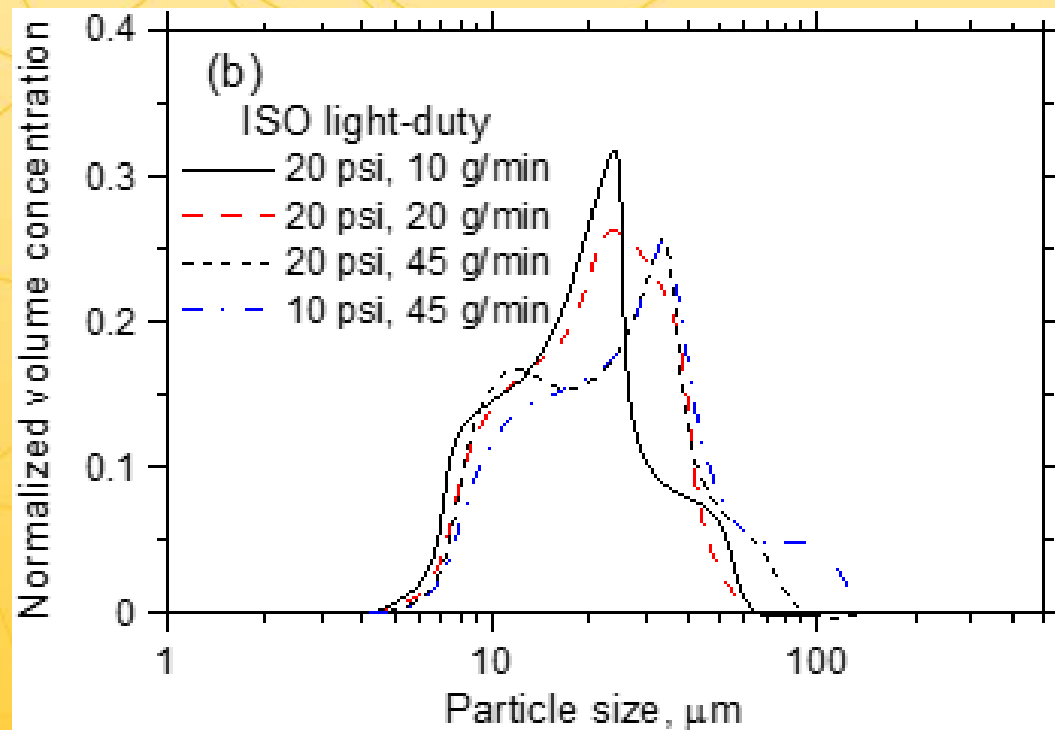


Measurement of Size Distributions of Dust Particles

- Applied shadowgraphy method to measure the particle size distributions from the two dust injectors under different inlet pressure conditions



Preliminary Results of Particle Size Distributions from Shadowgraphy Measurement



Future Work

- To solve the viscous Navier-Stokes equations for the dust injector flow fields
- To complete our experimental results under different inlet pressures and dust feed rate conditions for the two dust injector configurations.
- To validate our conclusions indicated from the numerical simulation against the experimental data.
- To design a new injector with better performance in dust particle dispersion based on the conclusions.



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Thank you

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