Line of sight measurements in sprays

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Spray flame experiments

- Experimental validation of computational modelling
- High pressure and temperature environment generated in CVC vessel









Optical diagnostics

- Imaging techniques advantageous
- Challenges:
 - High temporal resolution
 - Distortions from optically harsh environment



Schlieren imaging

Experimental setup



Extinction imaging

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- Enhanced setup maintain high light throughput of well characterized diffused lighting



Previous DBI

Improved DBI

Extinction imaging of soot

- Transmission consists of sequential and reference images
- Moving flame luminosity introduces error
- High temporal resolution and spectral filtering reduces error
- Clever post processing can further reduce error









Extinction imaging of soot

- KL is a projection
- K obtained by tomographic reconstruction
- Soot volume:
 - Optical properties
 - Fractal dimensions
 - Small particle Mie theory coupled with Rayleigh-Debye Gans theory

$$K_{abs} = -\frac{6\pi}{\lambda} f_{\nu} E(\widetilde{m})$$



Experimental setup



Schlieren imaging of vapor phase

- Imaging gradients in refractive index
- Temporal differencing isolates the rapid processes
- Well defined background noise
- Adaptive filtering
- Thresholding to evaluate vapor boundary





Penetration characteristics



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 $x_{0_2} = 0$ $T_{amb} = 900 \text{ K}$ $p_{inj} = 1500 \text{ bar}$ $\rho_{amb} = 22.8 \text{ kg/m}^3$



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Model validation: Flow field

- Vapor boundary defined by gradient of FA ratio
- Well predicted penetration characteristics





Model validation: Soot volume fraction

 Opaque flame at higher Simulation ambient temperature

Measurement

- Good agreement spatially and quantitatively
- Flames too optically thick in the visual







Discussion

- Advances in measurement reliability
- Limitations have been identified
- Infra-red can cope with the high optical thickness
- Gas phase thermometry







Flame lift-off length measurement

- Lift-off length is the distance from injector to flame stabilization point
- Measured via OH* chemiluminescence at 309 nm

