

COMBUSTION BAY ONE

Advanced combustion management for propulsion and power



A analysis on evaporation of replacement fuels for aviation

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- An airplane constructed today will fly about 30 years
- Is it able to make use of other fuels than kerosene?
- What are the adaptations to be done?

A380 MSN 004 Feb. 1st, 2008 Flight



- First flight of an A380 on the 1rst of February 2008
- GTL Jet Fuel blended with conventional kerosene

Alfa Bird stands for **Al**ternative **F**uels **a**nd **Bi**ofuels In aircraft development (FP7)

- Multi-disciplinary consortium with industrial partners from aeronautics, fuel industry and research organizations
- Main objective: Development of the whole chain of clean alternative fuels for aviation with a long term perspective

In particular:

- Identification and evaluation of possible alternative fuels to kerosene (mainly Fischer-Tropsch fuels such as GTL, CTL, BTL and FAME blended with kerosene)
- Selection of 12 (Ph1), 4 (Ph2) alternative fuels with aircraft requirements
- Evaluation of the environmental and economical performance
- Setting the path towards industrial use of ,best' alternative fuels

Tasks of TU-Graz in the frame of Alfa Bird

- Adaptation of the test rig to the injection design:
 - Fuel supply
 - Combustion chamber for isothermal spray analysis of alternative and biofuels
 - Dimensioning and integration of an afterburner
- Injector selection (Cooperation with Onera)
- Construction of the test rig
- Planning, validation and installation of the measurement technique (Investigation on the IRE technique at Onera Toulouse in the frame of Eccomet FP6)
- Testing (4 fuels and 3 pressure variations at elevated temperature (750 K))
- Interpretation of the results

Replacement fuels considered for aviation

Initial fuel selection 12 fuels:

- FSJF (CTL)
- FT-SPK (GTL)
- blends of FT-SPK with naphtenic-cut
- blends of FT-SPK with hexanol
- blends of FT-SPK with furane
- blends of FT-SPK with FAE

Final fuel selection 4 fuels:

- FSJF (CTL)
- FT-SPK (GTL)
- blend of FT-SPK with 50 % naphtenic-cut
- blends of FT-SPK with 20 % hexanol

Reference fuel:

FSJF (due to large variability of Jet A1 according to the crude oil and the production process)

- Homogeneity
- Identified refinery with a controlled process





Name	Bezeichnug	Zusammensetzung
FSJT (CtL)	8040	100%
FT-SPK (GtL)	8069	100%
GtL + 50% naphthenic cut	8075	GtL + 50% naphthenic cut
GtL + 20% 1-hexanol	8074	GtL + 20% 1-hexanol

Tabelle 1: Alfa Bird Kraftstoffmatrix

FSJT:	Fully Synthetic Jet Fuel
FTSPK:	Fischer Tropsch Synthetic Parafinic Compound
CTL:	Coal To Liquid
GTL:	Gas To Liquid



Test conditions based on similarity rules:

- constant reduced mass-flow rate WR = 0,3

constant reference velocity

- constant equivalence ratio

v_{ref} = 33,36 m/s Φ=1

$$\dot{m}_L \cdot rac{\sqrt{T_1}}{p_1}$$

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WR =

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Tests for 4 Fuels	P	1	vrei	Mair	Kero
	[bar]	[K]	[m/s]	[g/s]	[g/s]
TESTS LP	1	750	33,4	11	0,76
TESTS HP	3	750	33,4	33	2,27
TESTS VHP	5	750	33,4	55	3,78

Alfa Bird test-matrix



• Test Rig in the combustion laboratory of the ITTM is part of an open circuit plant for sub- and transsonic flow investigations



- Originally cold flow investigations → extended by a separate piping system over thermal air heater
- Built in parallel to current system \rightarrow all operational modes can be used

High-pressure and temperature air feed



• maximum pressure level 10 bar system pressure









Generic research liquid fuelled burner from the LOPOCOTEP study, reengineered at TU Graz











See the test session: CLICK HERE

Measurement of fuel vapour contents: Infrared exctinction technique (IRE)





- Based on original setup used at DLR Cologne Hassa/Giuliani
- Investigation of fuel concentrations in monodisperse and polydisperse fuel sprays
- Labview based data acquisition tool / variable acquisition frequency and time intervall







Injector:

- Flat-tip-nozzle atomizer (Sonics USVC 130 AT) with piezoelectric ceramic to generate oscillations (20 kHz)
- Oscillations transferred to the liquid film cause wave pattern → critical amplitude, waves degenerate →droplets ejected
- Size distribution controlled by amplitude and massflow





Mean values of droplet diameters n – octane 35 ml/min



Spray Tests:

- Extinction measurement
- n-octane 60° C, 1.5 bar
- Atmospheric conditions

- Stable operation point at 35 ml/min mass flow
- Comparison with CEDRE Simulation results
- Injector is moved stepwise through coaxial laser beams (-20 20 mm radial distance from spray center)

Comparison of deconvoluted measurement results with simulation results



Good accordance except for point 10 and 14

Characterisation of chosen operating points Flame dynamics

- Adressing to reduced mass flow rate WR = 0.3 at ambient conditions
- Free jet / Confined-Jet with ethanol



m_air = 6.08 g/s v_ref = 7.16 m/s m_eth = 1.2 g/s

m_air = 11.3 g/s v_ref = 13.4 m/s m_eth = 1.2 g/s



m_air = 12.69 g/s v_ref = 14.96 m/s m_eth = 1.2 g/s

attached flame

transition

lifted

Characterisation of chosen operating points Jet aerodynamics

- Two component LDA System (Dantec FiberFlow)
- Data Acquisition with BSA-Flow software
- Seeding with DEHS oil



Radial-distribution of the velocity-components u, v, w free-jet configuration

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Radial-distribution of the velocity-components u, v, w confined-jet configuration



- Technical decisions fullfilled
- Technical set-up constructed and operational
- Measurement technique validated
- Work in progress:
 - Comparison of the fuel evaporation (publication of the results October 2012)
 - Study on pollutant emissions while using replacement fuels for aviation



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BACK UP



FUNDAMENTAL RESEARCH

Key Competences developed at the Combustion Department, TU Graz, 2004-2011



APPLICATIONS

Advanced combustion management at Combustion Bay One



Combustion Bay One e.U. (2012)

PRODUCTS	



RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

New sensors New actuators New burners

Innovation : testing the dynamic stability of burners

ACTUATOR FOR PRECISE AIR FEED FLOW MODULATION

- simulate combustion instability
- identify critical operation
- control flame dynamics







Competences & expertise

- Engineering for combustion test rigs
- Low-emission burner
 design (gas &liquid fuel)
- Flame diagnostic (sensing & advanced measurement techniques)
- Flow control (actuation, quasi-static, dynamic)
- Replacement fuels
- Security & Norms

Strong experience in:

- Networking good visibility in the combustion society
- Litterature survey
- Project planning
- Design and construction of protypes
- Combustor testing
- Data Mining
- Modelling
- Dissemination



Gas turbines for aviation



Gas turbines for power

Aerospace combustion laboratories

Heavy industry applications

- Fuel consumption and emissions in thermal processes
- Technology "from the air to the ground" and vice-versa

Preliminary tests

Verification of chosen operating points by combustion test and LDA measurements:

- Adressing to reduced mass flow rate WR = 0.3 at ambient conditions
- Freejet / Confined-Jet with ethanol



m_air = 10.42 g/s m_a v_ref = 12.2 m/s m_eth = 0.87 g/s



m_air = 13.67 g/s v_ref = 16.12 m/s m_eth = 0.87 g/s

Constant flame profile attached at outer injector diameter

Expansion of the BBL for 2-phase flow:

$$\left(\frac{\bar{I}_{(x)}}{I_{0}}\right)_{\lambda_{abs}} = \exp\left[-\overline{C}_{n} \cdot l \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathcal{Q}_{sca} \cdot D^{2} \cdot N(D) \cdot dD\right] \text{ Scattering}$$

$$\cdot \exp\left[-\overline{C}_{n} \cdot l \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathcal{Q}_{abs} \cdot D^{2} \cdot N(D) \cdot dD\right] \text{ Liquid absorption}$$

$$\cdot \exp\left[-\int_{0}^{l} \alpha_{(\lambda,p,T)} \cdot c_{m(x)} \cdot dx\right] \text{ Vapor absorption}$$

<u>Dependent on:</u> Averaged number density $C_n [m^{-2}]$, drop diameter distribution N(D) and absorption/scattering efficiencies Q_{sca} and Q_{abs}

N(D) → laser diffraction technique Q_{sca}/Q_{abs} → Mie calculations C_n → non-absorbing wavelength

2 extinction measurements,

1 diffraction measurement and

2 calculations to determine $c_m !!$



$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\bar{I}_{(x)}}{I_0}\right)_{\lambda_{abs}} &= \exp\left[-\overline{C_n} \cdot l \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_0^{\infty} Q_{sca} \cdot D^2 \cdot N(D) \cdot dD\right] \\ &\cdot \exp\left[-\overline{C_n} \cdot l \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_0^{\infty} Q_{abs} \cdot D^2 \cdot N(D) \cdot dD\right] \\ &\cdot \exp\left[-\int_0^l \alpha_{(\lambda, p, T)} \cdot c_{m(x)} \cdot dx\right] \end{aligned}$$

Absorbing wavelength

$$\tau_{ABS} = \overline{C}_n \cdot l \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_0^\infty Q_{ext} \cdot D^2 \cdot \overline{N}(D) \cdot dD$$

$$Q_{ext} = Q_{abs} + Q_{sca}$$

Resulting expression for the concentration

$$\implies \overline{c}_{m_{(x)}} = \frac{1}{\alpha \cdot l} \left[-\tau_{ABS} - \ln \left(\frac{\overline{I}_{(x)}}{I_0} \right)_{\lambda_{ABS}} \right]$$

Source: Drallmeier 1994



Non-absorbing wavelength

$$\tau_{NA} = \overline{C}_n \cdot l \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_0^\infty Q_{sca} \cdot D^2 \cdot N(D) \cdot dD = \ln \left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)_{NA}$$

Introduction of both wavelengths:



R ... optical thickness ratio

If the $D_{20} > 30\mu m$ the concentration can be obtained from two simultaneous absorption measurements only! (accepting a 10% error)

Calculation of R for several refractive indices



Source: Drallmeier 1994

For infrared extinction on sprays a matrix-based Abel inversion for axisymmetric geometries is often employed (Hammond 1980, Chraplyvy 1981, Drallmeier 1994)





 \Rightarrow System of n equations for n unknown concentrations

Principle of infrared absorption:

- Line of sight non intrusive laser method
- Comparison of in-line extinction of visible light [633 nm (non-absorbing wavelength)] with IR light [3390 nm (absorbing wavelength)]
- Relative fuel vapor concentration in two phase flow (derived from Beer-Bouguer-Lambert law)
- Line-of-sight integral concentration measurement → deconvolution technique (Abel transform)



Absorption Spectrum of Gasoline

Simplified Beer-Bouguer-Lambert law



\overline{c}_m	Integral Vapor Concentration
α_{IR}	Absorption Coefficient
L	Length of Laser Penetration
λ_{abs} and λ_{na}	Absorbing and Non-absorbing Wavelength





- If line-of-site extinction due to Mie-scattering for both wavelengths is similar because of the presence of the spray only IR light will be absorbed by fuel vapor
- Comparison of the line of sight intensities $I_{IR} / I_{OIR} I_{VIS} / I_{OVIS} \rightarrow$ estimation of vapor concentration

Beer-Bouguer-Lambert law for Non-Absorbing Wavelength

$$\left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)_{\lambda_{NA}} = \exp\left(\overline{C}_n \cdot L \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_0^\infty Q_{sca} \cdot D^2 \cdot N(D) \cdot dD\right)$$

Reformulation of the BBL law

$$\begin{array}{l}
\left(\overline{I}_{(x)}\\\overline{I}_{0}\right)_{\lambda_{abs}} = \exp\left(-\overline{C}_{n}\cdot L\cdot\frac{\pi}{4}\cdot\int_{0}^{\infty}Q_{sca}\cdot D^{2}\cdot N(D)\cdot dD\right) \\
\cdot \exp\left(-\overline{C}_{n}\cdot L\cdot\frac{\pi}{4}\cdot\int_{0}^{\infty}Q_{abs}\cdot D^{2}\cdot N(D)\cdot dD\right) \\
\cdot \exp\left(-\overline{C}_{n}\cdot L\cdot\frac{\pi}{4}\cdot\int_{0}^{\infty}Q_{abs}\cdot D^{2}\cdot N(D)\cdot dD\right) \\
\cdot \exp\left(-\int_{0}^{l}\alpha_{(\lambda,p,T)}\cdot c_{m(x)}\cdot dx\right) \\
\end{array}$$

Source: Drallmeier 1994

Optical thickness ${f au}_{
m na}$

$$\tau_{NA} = \overline{C}_n \cdot L \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \int_0^\infty Q_{sca} \cdot D^2 \cdot N(D) \cdot dD = \ln \left(\frac{I}{I_0}\right)_{NA}$$



Source: Drallmeier 1994

- Line-of-sight integrated measurements \rightarrow deconvolution technique necessary
 - For infrared extinction on sprays a matrix-based Abel inversion for axisymmetric geometries is often employed (Hammond 1980, Chraplyvy 1981, Drallmeier 1994)

$$c_{m-1} = -\frac{1}{l_1 \cdot \alpha} \cdot \ln \frac{I_1}{I_0}$$

$$c_{m-2} = -\frac{1}{l_2 \cdot \alpha} \cdot \left(\ln \frac{I_2}{I_0} + \alpha \cdot l_{1,2} \cdot c_{m-1} \right)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$c_{m-n} = -\frac{1}{l_n \cdot \alpha} \cdot \left(\ln \frac{I_n}{I_0} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha \cdot l_{i,n} \cdot c_{m-i} \right)$$



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