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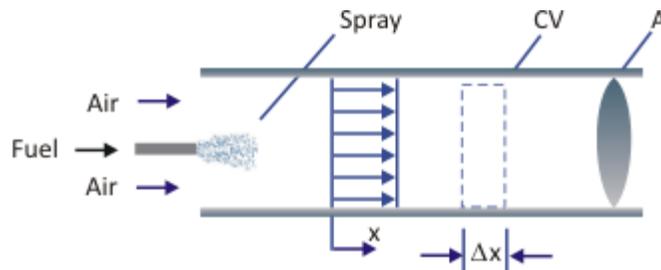
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Spray Combustion Model

Assumption:

- Steady, 1-D flow, Laminar, inviscid
- Mono-dispersed droplets.
- Pressure remains constant during combustion.
- Droplets move with same velocity as that of air.
- Vaporization and ignition begins at $x=0$.
- Mixing and chemical reaction times are quite small as compared to droplet vaporization time.
- Constant thermophysical properties.
- Dilute spray.



(Figure 33.1)

Stoichiometric fuel-air ratio:

$$f = \frac{(N_0 \rho_l \pi D_0^3 / 6) A dx}{\rho_0 A dx - (N_0 \rho_l \pi D_0^3 / 6) A dx} \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

ρ_l = Density of liquid

A = Cross sectional area

N_0 = Number of droplets

D_0 = Initial diameter

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Number of droplets,

$$N_0 = \frac{f \rho_0}{1 + f \rho_i} \frac{6}{\pi D_0^3} \quad \text{-----}(2)$$

From mass conservation,

$$\rho_0 \bar{V}_0 A = \rho \bar{V} A \quad \text{-----}(3)$$

ρ - Density of droplet laden air

$$N_0 \bar{V}_0 A = N \bar{V} A \quad \text{-----}(4)$$

From above two equations,

$$N = N_0 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \quad \text{-----}(5)$$

Energy equation across the element dx

$$\rho \bar{V} C_p \frac{dT}{dx} A dx = \dot{q}''' A dx \quad \text{-----}(6)$$

\dot{q}''' - Heat release rate

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Simplifying,

$$\rho C_p \frac{dT}{dt} = \dot{q}''' \quad \text{-----(7)}$$

Heat release rate per unit volume,

$$\dot{q}''' = N(\dot{m}_F)_{\text{droplet}} \Delta \widehat{H}_c \quad \text{-----(8)}$$

Relationship for quasi-steady state droplet vaporization,

$$\dot{m}_F = 2\pi D \alpha \ln(B + 1) = \pi D \rho_l \frac{K}{4} \quad \text{-----(9)}$$

Where, K – droplet combustion rate constant that can be experienced as

$$K = \frac{8k_g}{\rho_l C_p} \ln(B + 1) \quad \text{-----(10)}$$

By using Eqs. (7) , and (10), we can have,

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{3f}{2(1+f)} \frac{K \Delta \widehat{H}_c}{C_p D_0^3} D \quad \text{-----(11)}$$

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Droplet diameter will vary by D^2 law

$$D = \sqrt{D_0^2 - Kt} \quad \text{-----(12)}$$

Boundary and initial conditions

$$t = 0, D = D_0, T = T_0 \quad \text{-----(13)}$$

By using above condition in Eq. 6.11 and integrating it, we can get

$$T = T_0 + \left(\frac{f}{1+f} \right) \frac{\Delta H_c}{C_p} \left[1 - \left(\frac{D}{D_0} \right)^3 \right] \quad \text{-----(14)}$$

Adiabatic flame temperature is given as

$$T_{\text{ad}} = T_0 + \left(\frac{f}{1+f} \right) \frac{\Delta \bar{H}_c}{C_p} \quad \text{-----(15)}$$

By using Eng. (14), we get

$$T = T_0 + (T_{\text{ad}} - T_0) \left[1 - \left(\frac{D}{D_0} \right)^3 \right] \quad \text{-----(16)}$$

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Zone length is given by

$$L_R = \int_0^{\tau_b} \bar{v} dt \quad \text{-----(17)}$$

Integrating Eq. (17), we can get

$$L_R = \frac{\bar{v}_0 D_0^2}{K} \left(\frac{2}{5} + \frac{3T_{ad}}{5T_0} \right) \quad \text{-----(18)}$$

Combustion Intensity is given by

$$I = \dot{q}''' = \frac{\rho_0 \bar{v}_0 c_p (T_{ad} - T_0)}{L_R} \quad \text{-----(19)}$$

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