# Early prediction of spray characteristics from curvature distribution analysis and other problems ...



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## DNS and ICM -> Amazing results

To perform simulation of atomization the best known approach rely on:

- Navier-Stokes equations
- Directly resolved by numerical simulation (DNS)
- Appropriate numerical method : interface capturing method (ICM) *CORIA Berlemont A., Ménard T. et al.*



But ... DNS-ICM : Accurate and Computationally expensive Can we go beyond ?



## **DNS Simplex Swirl Atomizer**

## (limited to primary break up)

#### Ambient Temperature



#### High Temperature



Verdier. PhD Thesis, 2017
 Marrero. PhD Thesis, 2018
 Ferrando, D. PhDThesis, 2022





## Curvature analysis → drop size distribution



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## **Beyond : Computation \Leftrightarrow Model**





## **ELSA : Eulerian Lagrangian Spray Atomization**

#### **Principles of the approach**

A. Vallet and R. Borghi, *Modélisation Eulerienne de L'atomisation d'un Jet Liquide. C. R. Acad. Sci., Paris, Sér. II b,* **327: p. 1015–1020, 1999** 

#### **First application to Co-axial injector**

A. Vallet, A.A. Burluka, and R. Borghi, *Development of a Eulerian model for the "Atomization" of a liquid jet. Atomization and Sprays*, **11(6): p. 619-642, 2001** 

#### First transition to Lagrangian → name ELSA

G. Blokkeel, R. Borghi, and B. Barbeau, A 3d Eulerian model to improve the primary breakup of atomizing jet. SAE Technical Papers, **2003-01-0005, 2003** 





## **Turbulent liquid flux: Drift/Diffusion**



## Liquid-Gas Surface Density : $\Sigma = \frac{area}{volume} [m^{-1}]$

Material surface carried by turbulence [D. Drew, SIAM J. Appl. Math., 1990; S.B. Pope, Int.J.Eng.Sc., 1988; C. Morel, IJMF, 2007]:



 $\delta_s$  : Dirac generalized function at the interface

$$\Sigma = \frac{\iiint_V \delta_s d\nu}{V}$$
$$\Sigma \,\overline{\varphi}\Big|_{\Sigma} = \iiint_V \delta_s \varphi \, d\nu$$



$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{6\alpha}{\Sigma} \twoheadrightarrow L_{32} = D_{32} = \frac{6\alpha(1-\alpha)}{\Sigma}$$

The Sauter mean diameter

Surface density equation ?

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial t} + \nabla . \, \overline{u} \Sigma = \nabla . \underbrace{\left(\overline{u} \Sigma - \overline{u} \delta_{S}\right)}_{\overline{R_{\Sigma}}} + source \ terms = \nabla . \, \Sigma (\overline{u} - \overline{u}|_{\Sigma}) + source \ terms$$



## **Overall DNS Validation: postulated equation for \Sigma**



Meand liquid-gas surface density (m-1)





## **LES and ICM**





• DNS and ICM → Amazing results



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• RANS:  $\overline{\alpha}$  is mean, average

• LES: 
$$\overline{\alpha} = \iiint \alpha(x,t)K_{\Delta}(x-x_0,t)dv$$





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## **Experimental validations:**

X-Ray: PMD, ECN spray A

CMT, U-Mass

• Mass formulation :  $\widetilde{Y}$ ,  $\widetilde{R_Y}$ 

4 5 6 Axial Position [mm]

Axial Position [mm]

(c) 3D baseline CFD simulation

(b) 2D baseline CFD simulation

- $C_{\varepsilon 1} = 1.44 \rightarrow 1.60$
- $Sc_t = 0.9$

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9 CORIA • Vol. formulation : $\overline{\alpha}, \overline{R_{\alpha}}$ •  $C_{\varepsilon 1} = 1.44 \rightarrow 1.60$ •  $Sc_t = 1.0$ •  $C_{\varepsilon 2}$ 

Axial Position Imn

Axial Position [mm]

Avial Position Imn

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• 
$$C_{\varepsilon 1} = 1.44 \Rightarrow 1.60$$

• 
$$Sc_t = 0.9$$

Q. Xue et al., IJMF, 2015



#### LES

- CMT- Mass formulation (J.M. Desantes et al., ILASS 2017)
- CORIA Volume formulation (J. Anez et al., ILASS 2017)

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#### Transfering Eulerian $\alpha$ , $\Sigma$ to Lagrangian approach (WBE + Monte Carlo)

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#### Some dust under the carpet ...

or

#### **Opportunities/needs to establish more firmly the different approaches**





## 1) ICM: So many approaches : properties, rules

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Method	Separated Diffused	
ARCHER	Separated	Land
interFoam	Diffused at $\Delta_x$	
CEDRE	Diffused	5
Elsa	Diffused phy-model	1
IcmElsa	Separated/diffused	S
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Dynamic well reproduced by all the models. Differences mainly in the small features.



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PhD A. Remiggi, 2021, P. Cordesse et al., Flow Turbulence Combust, 2020

#### Global agreement, but noticeable differences : mean $\overline{\alpha}$



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## 3) Subgrid turbulent liquid flux $\overline{R_{\alpha}}$

#### Mass formulation :

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\rho} \widetilde{Y}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \overline{\rho} \widetilde{u} \widetilde{Y} = \nabla \cdot \overline{\rho} \underbrace{\left( \widetilde{u} \widetilde{Y} - \widetilde{u} \widetilde{Y} \right)}_{\widetilde{R}_{\widetilde{Y}}} = \nabla \cdot \overline{\rho} \widetilde{Y} (\widetilde{u} - \overline{u}|_{l}) = \nabla \cdot \overline{\rho} \widetilde{Y} (1 - \widetilde{Y}) \left( \overline{u}|_{l} - \overline{u}|_{g} \right)$$

#### **Volume formulation :**

$$\frac{\partial \overline{\alpha}}{\partial t} + \nabla . \, \overline{u} \overline{\alpha} = \nabla . \underbrace{(\overline{u} \, \overline{\alpha} - \overline{u} \overline{\alpha})}_{\overline{R_{\alpha}}} = \nabla . \, \overline{\alpha} (\overline{u} - \overline{u}|_{l}) = \nabla . \, \overline{\alpha} (1 - \overline{\alpha}) (\overline{u}|_{l} - \overline{u}|_{g})$$

 $\widetilde{R_Y}$  and  $\overline{R_\alpha}$  are the turbulent liquid flux

- 1. Correlation: Turbulent velocity/concentration
- 2. Slip motion between phase

#### Single phase flows:

- → Turbulent diffusion (1)
- + Slip motion (2)

Mass formulation : 
$$\widetilde{R_Y} \approx \frac{\widetilde{v_t}}{Sc_t} \nabla \widetilde{Y}$$
  
Volume formulation  $\overline{R_{\alpha}} \approx \frac{\overline{v_t}}{Sc_t} \nabla \overline{\alpha}$ 

#### Multi phase flows:

- → Slip motion (2)
- + Drift motion (1)

P. Février and O. Simonin, VKI, 2000







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#### → To switch between ICM and DI (diffused interface) based on IRQs

#### LES – Multi-Scale :

- LES-DI ⇔LES-ICM
- IRQ: Interface Resolution Quality

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\alpha}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_j \bar{\alpha}}{\partial x_j} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial \mathbf{C}_{\alpha} u_{Cj} \bar{\alpha} (1 - \bar{\alpha})}{\partial x_j}}_{\text{ICM}} = \underbrace{(1 - \mathbf{C}_{\alpha}) \frac{\partial \overline{R_{\alpha j}}}{\partial x_j}}_{\text{DI}}$$



## **Air-blast: Mean/Instantaneous LVF**



## **Air-blast: Axial LVF profiles**



## 6) From Euler to Lagrange (MC)

#### Direct switch at a dynamic boundary



Euler Only

#### Drawbacks:

Eulerian net flux Lagrangian total flux The boundary location is moving Eulerian equation on the whole domain Discard Lagrangian droplet in Euler Zone Lagrangian statistic convergence



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### To be continued ....



## 7) Curvature Analysis to drop size distribution

- a) Compute surface and curvature
- b) Discard negative curvatures
- c) cancel small positive curvature to march  $L_{32}$





[1] L. Palanti *et al.*, International Journal of Multiphase Flow, 2022. <sup>24/26</sup>

## Curvature analysis -> drop size distribution













	Num.	Exp.
D <sub>32</sub>	161	161.9
<b>D</b> <sub>10</sub>	56.80	58.35
<b>D</b> <sub>30</sub>	97.55	97.49





## Many open issues 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 ...

Open for discussion, suggestion, help ...

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