Motivation and Goals

- Turbulent combustion is a notoriously difficult problem.
- There are no universal approaches
- DNS
 - Resolves all scales: cost scales with Re³
 - Limited Re, limited geometries (normally)
 - Cost overhead: limits parametric investigations (etc.)
- LES
 - Available for complex geometries.
 - Captures large scales, but models fine scales.
 - Models are not regime independent
 - Premixed, nonpremixed, partially premixed, non-flamelet, auto-igniting, ...
- ODT
 - Limited to BL flows
 - Relatively low cost



Experiments The "*full* truth" *partially* revealed



Simulations The *partial* truth "*fully*" revealed



ODT

- ODT is a stochastic model for turbulent flows.
 - 1-D unsteady diffusion/reaction equations for evolved scalars.
 - Punctuated by a stochastic advection process.
 - Resolves all scales (in 1D)
- Often small scales are harder model than large scales
 - Physical coordinate versus state space.
 - Complex diffusive, reacting, flow structure interactions.
 - Limit phenomena (extinction/reignition); differential diffusion
- LES: Captures large scale flow, models fine-scale advection $u \cdot \nabla$ via diffusion (ve).
- ODT: Captures fine scales directly, models large scale advection $u \cdot \nabla$.



ODT Areas

Standalone ODT

Boundary-layer like problems: Jets, channels, walls, mixing layers

3D Formulations

Grids/Lattices of ODT lines ODTLES, AME, LBMS, LEM3D, etc.





ODT Data Lookup tables, PCA training sets





ODT Model Advancements

| Homogeneous | Homogeneous Turbulence | | | | | | |
|-------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Shear Flows | Mixing Layers, Wakes, Jets | | | | | | |
| Buoyant | Channel Flow Isothermal Wall Rayleigh Benard/Taylor Convection | | | | | | |
| Fires | Pool Fire Wall Fire Biomass Combustion | | | | | | |
| DNS Comp. | Extinction/Ignition: syngas, ethylene ODT/LES autoignition Soot formation | | | | | | |
| Particles | Lagrangian Particles, Coal, Biomass MOM/QMOM/DQMOM | | | | | | |
| 3D, SGS | H2, CH4, autoignition, SGS ODTLES, AME, LBMS, LEM3D, ODT/LES | | | | | | |



ODT Model Overview

- Solves unsteady flow equations in 1D
- Notional line of sight
- Flows with a dominant shear direction
 - Boundary-layer flows:
 - Jets
 - Wakes
 - Mixing Layers
 - Wall flows
- 2 Concurrent Processes:







Diffusive Advancement

- Solve 1D unsteady flow equations:
 - Mass, Momentum, Species, Energy, Soot
- New code
 - Cylindrical formulation
 - − c = 1, 2, 3 → planar, cylindrical, spherical
- F.V. Lagrangian formulation
 - Velocities are not advecting, rather are evolved scalars for stochastic eddy model
 - Cells expand and contract
- Adaptive mesh
- Thermochemistry, transport using Cantera.
- Available to collaborators



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Mass

$$\rho\Delta(x^c) = 0$$

Momentum

$$\frac{\partial u_k}{\partial t} = -\frac{c}{\rho \Delta(x^c)} (\tau_{k,e} x_e^{c-1} - \tau_{k,w} x_w^{c-1}) + S_{u,k}$$
$$\tau_k = -\mu \frac{du_k}{dx}$$
$$S_{u,k} = \frac{dP}{dy_k} + \frac{g_k(\rho - \rho_\infty)}{\rho}$$

Energy

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} &= -\frac{c}{\rho\Delta(x^c)}(q_e x_e^{c-1} - q_w x_w^{c-1}) + Q_{rad} \\ q &= -\lambda \frac{dT}{dx} + \sum_k h_k j_k \end{aligned}$$
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$$\frac{\partial Y_k}{\partial t} = -\frac{c}{\rho \Delta(x^c)} (j_{k,e} x_e^{c-1} - j_{k,w}^{c-1}) + \frac{\dot{m}_k^{\prime\prime\prime}}{\rho}$$
$$j_k = -\frac{\rho Y_k D_k}{X_k} \frac{dX_k}{dx}$$

Soot

$$\frac{\partial M_k/\rho}{\partial t} = -\frac{c}{\rho\Delta(x^c)}(f_{k,e}x_e^{c-1} - f_{k,w}^{c-1}) + \frac{S_{s,k}}{\rho}$$
$$f_k = -0.554\nu\frac{\nabla T}{T}M_k$$

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Spatial Formulation

- Evolve 1D steady state equations in streamwise coordinate.
- Parabolic boundary layer equations
- Local residence time depends on local velocity
- Equations are similar but divided by local velocity
- Conserve mass flux rather than mass





Stochastic Advection

- Turbulent advection via stochastic eddy events
- Re-map domain consistent with turbulent scaling laws
- Triplet Map
 - 3 copies of profiles; compress spatially 3x; mirror center copy
 - Captures compressive strain, rotational folding effects
 - Local
 - Continuous
 - Conservative of all quantities





Mixture Fraction 9.0 8.0 8.0 8.0





Cylindrical Eddy Events

- Volume conservation
- Geometric "stretching"
- Two formulations





Eddy Sampling Procedure

• An eddy rate $\lambda(x_0,I)$ is defined at each location x_0 for each eddy size *I*.

$$\lambda = \frac{C}{\tau l^2} \qquad E = \frac{1}{2}\rho V \left(\frac{l}{\tau}\right)^2 \quad \rightarrow \frac{1}{\tau} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\rho V l^2} (E_{kin} - ZE_{vp})}$$

- E_{kin} is a measure of the local kinetic energy on the line.
- ZEvp is a viscous penalty
- C, Z are adjustable parameters
- The rate of all eddies is $\Lambda = \iint \lambda(x_0,l) dx_0 dl$
- An Eddy PDF is $P(x_0,l) = \lambda(x_0,l)/\Lambda$
- Eddies could be sampled from P as a Poisson process with mean rate Λ, but this is not efficient.
- Instead, P is modeled as Q=f(x₀)g(I) and a thinning process combined with the rejection method i used.



Eddy Sampling Procedure

• In a **thinning process**, we sample eddies with some mean rate $\alpha \Lambda$, and accept with probability Λ

$$P_a = \frac{\Lambda}{\alpha \Lambda}, \ \alpha > 1$$

• In the **rejection method**, we sample eddies from $Q(x_0,l)$ (the approximation to $P(x_0,l)$, and accept eddies with probability

$$P_a = \frac{P(x_0, l)}{\beta Q(x_0, l)}$$

- where β is a constant (or function) so that $P_a(x_0,l) < 1$.
- Combining these gives

$$P_a = \frac{\Lambda}{\alpha \Lambda} \frac{P}{\beta} Q$$

• Take $\Delta t_s = 1/\alpha \Lambda$, and insert $\Lambda P = \lambda = 1/\tau l^2$. Then absorb $1/\beta$ into Δt_s

$$P_a = \frac{\Delta t_s}{\tau l^2 Q}$$





Stochastic Advection





Pipe Flow





Khoury et al., Flow Turbulence Combust (2013) 91:475-495

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Cold Jet





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DLR-A Flame

- Re=15,200
- Fuel: 22.1% CH₄, 33.2% H₂, 44.7% N₂
- Fast, simple chemistry, no radiation





http://www.sandia.gov/TNF/DataArch/DLRflames.html



DLR-A Flame

Radial Profiles: Mixture Fraction





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DLR-A Flame

Radial Profiles: Temperature





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Wall Flame Configuration

- Spatial Formulation
- Ethylene fuel injected through porous wall
- Detailed, 1-step, and tabulated chemistry
- Soot
- Radiation







ODT Wall Fire—Single Realization



ODT Wall Fire—Single Realization



Mean Temperature Profiles



Soot Formation

- Temporal jet
- C₂H₄/N₂ surrounded by counterflowing oxidizer
 - ξ_{st}=0.25
- Gas Chemistry
 - 19 species (+10 QSS) 167 rxns
- Soot model
 - 4 step: nucleation, growth, oxidation, coagulation. (Leung et al. 1991)
 - Transport 3 mass moments
 - Lognormal distribution

| H (mm) | 1.8 | L_x/H | 16 | $	au_{jet}$ | 0.022 |
|----------------------|------|--------------------------------|-----|--------------------------|-------|
| $\Delta U \ (m/s)$ | 82 | L_y/H | 11 | τ_{run}/τ_{jet} | 50 |
| Re_{jet} | 3700 | L_z/H | 6 | # Cells (millions) | 228 |
| $u'/\Delta U$ (init) | 4% | $\Delta x \; (\mu m)$ | 30 | Sim. Cost (million cphu) | 1.5 |
| H/L_{11} (init) | 3 | $\delta_{\xi} \ (\mathrm{mm})$ | 0.8 | | |





Qualitative Jet Results: DNS

Temperature









Jet Evolution



Jet Evolution





Line-of-site: Temperature





Line-of-site: Mixture Fraction



Line-of-site: Y_{soot}





Temperature and Y_{soot}



Soot PDFs

- Soot-mass-weighted PDFs of mixture fraction
- (Amount of soot at a given mixture fraction)

$$P_{\rho Ys} = \frac{\langle \rho Y_s | \xi \rangle P(\xi)}{\langle \rho Y_s \rangle}$$

DNS







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Joint Soot PDFs

 $\tilde{P}(\xi, \rho Y_s)$





Joint Soot PDFs





A-priori Studies

- Evaluate key modeling assumptions in soot formation.
 - LES
 - RANS
- Use ODT data as a surrogate DNS
 - Validate against available DNS data.
 - Extend to regions inaccessible to DNS.
 - High Re
 - Long residence times



A-priori Soot Rates ("global")



$$\tilde{R}_{Ys}(\vec{\eta}, \vec{M}) = \iint R_{Ys}(\vec{\eta}, \vec{M}) \tilde{P}(\vec{\eta}, \vec{M}) d\vec{\eta} d\vec{M}$$
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ODT





Flame Extinction and Reignition

- Compare ODT/DNS
- Vary Damkohler number

<u>Case 1</u> <u>Case 2</u> <u>Case 3</u> $Da = \chi_q \cdot \tau_j = 0.023, \ 0.017, \ 0.011$

- Adjust fuel and oxidizer compositions
- Weaker flames extinguish more readily: (40, 70, 99%)
- Constant Re = 5120

| H (mm) | 0.96 | L_x/H | 12 | $u'/\Delta U$ (init) | 5% |
|------------------|------|----------------------|------|-----------------------|--------|
| ΔU (m/s) | 196 | L_y/H | 19 | H/L_{11} (init) | 3 |
| Re_{jet} | 5120 | L_z/H | 8 | $	au_{jet} \ (ms)$ | 0.0049 |
| H_{ξ} (mm) | 1.5 | $\Delta x \ (\mu m)$ | 17 | $	au_{run}/	au_{jet}$ | 140 |
| δ_u (mm) | 0.19 | δ_{ξ} (mm) | 0.74 | Mean timestep (ns) | 5 |



Case 2



Case 1









Case 2



Case 1









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- Reignition Modes:
 - Autoignition (not active)
 - Edge Flames (ODT cannot capture)
 - Flame Folding (ODT does capture)
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Extinction and Reignition

- ODT captures flame extinction as shown by stoichiometric temperature profile.
- Conditional profiles agree very well at peak extinction.
- Reignition is underpredicted
 - ODT captures flame folding, but not edge flames.
 - ODT has less "sample" per realization, and realizations are independent.
 - Can't account for low reignition here
 - Discouraging given the level of mixing detail retained.





Conditional mean Temperature





Conclusions

- ODT has been successfully applied to a number of combustion problems.
 - Captures many key aspects of turbulent flows.
- Generally good agreement with DNS validation case.
- Captures fine-scale phenomena not readily available outside of DNS directly.
- A-priori studies quantify key modeling assumptions.
- Computationally affordable.
- Efficient parametric study of soot formation/oxidation phenomena.

