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A photograph of a woman with blonde hair, seen from the side, driving a car. She is looking out the window towards a bright, sunny beach with waves and mountains in the distance. The car's interior, including the steering wheel and dashboard, is visible. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a pleasant driving experience.

Analytical Models for Particulate Filter Backpressure Prediction

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Background: Analytic Filter Models

- 1-dimensional models of particulate filters typically involve numeric solution of mass, momentum and energy balance equations
- However, for isothermal conditions and uniform soot- and ash-deposits, the mass and momentum balance equations can be solved analytically
- Advantages of analytic models:
 - Faster solution
 - Identification of general trends easier
- A number of analytic filter models available in the literature
 - Two types:
 - Full/detailed analytic model: Aim to include all the features of an isothermal numeric model
 - “Simple analytic model”: Simpler equation at expense of lower range of applicability

Outline

- Simple analytic filter model
 - History of previous simple analytic filter models
 - These come from Konstandopoulos, Johnson and others (K&J type models)
 - Derive a series of simplified analytic models in an attempt to derive K&J-type model
 - Comparison of simple analytic models with numeric models
- ~~Full analytic model~~
 - ~~Derive model with more features than previous models, e.g. octo-square asymmetric filters~~
 - ~~Comparison with numeric model~~



Simple Analytic Filter Model

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History of Simple Analytic Filter Models

None of these equations has actually been derived

d: Soot-free channel width
d_i: Soot-loaded channel width
F: Viscous loss coefficient
L: Length of filter
k_w: Filter wall permeability
k_s: Soot cake permeability
m_c: Mass flow into channel
w_w: Thickness of filter wall
μ: Viscosity
ρ: Gas density

- **Generation 1:** Konstandopoulos & Johnson, SAE 890405, 1989

- $$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_c}{d^2 \rho} \left[\frac{1.00456 d w_w}{4 k_w L} + \frac{FL}{1.484 d^2} \right]$$

- Equation not derived, but obtained by curve fitting results of more detailed model
- For soot-free, symmetric filters

- **Generation 2:** Konstandopoulos et al., SAE 1999-01-0468, 1999

- $$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_c}{d^2 \rho} \left[\frac{d w_w}{4 k_w L} + \frac{2FL}{3 d^2} \right]$$

- Same equation, but constants rounded

- **Generation 3:** Konstandopoulos et al., SAE 2000-01-1016, 2000

- $$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_c}{\rho} \left[\frac{1}{4L} \left(\frac{w_w}{d k_w} + \frac{1}{2 k_s} \ln \left(\frac{d}{d_i} \right) \right) + \frac{FL}{3} \left(\frac{1}{d_i^4} + \frac{1}{d^4} \right) \right]$$

- Extension to soot-loaded filters. Here inlet and outlet channels have a different width
- Not derived, but argued that can separate term for channel pressure drop into terms for each channel

Simple Analytic Filter Models: Questions

- Can these simple equations be derived from first principles?
- For what range of conditions are they valid?
 - e.g. what flow rates, wall permeability, etc.
- Form of equation suggests that terms for along-channel and across-wall & across-soot pressure loss are separable. Is this true?
- Might expect equation for octo-square asymmetric filter to be:
 - $$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho} \left[\frac{1}{4L} \left(\frac{1}{[2-\sqrt{2}]k_W} \ln \left(\frac{d_o + [2-\sqrt{2}]w_W}{d_o} \right) + \frac{d}{pk_S} \ln \left(\frac{A}{A_i} \right) \right) + \frac{L}{3} \left(\frac{F_i}{A_i^2} + \frac{F_o}{d_o^4} \right) \right]$$
 - Equation for pressure drop across wall and soot cake from SAE 2018-01-0951

A : Cross-section area of soot-free inlet channel
A_i: Cross-sectional area of soot-loaded inlet channel
d_o: Width of outlet channel
F_i, F_o: Viscous loss coefficient for inlet and outlet channels

Pakko (CLEERS 2016) previously presented a derivation of K&J model

Derivation 1: “Low Inertia Model”

Balance equations & Darcy’s law

- Consider an isothermal filter with a soot cake of uniform thickness
- Assume relatively low flow rates: incompressible flow, neglect inertial terms
- But allow for channels to be different so works for asymmetric and soot-loaded filters

- Mass balance: $A_i \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial z} = -4\psi_w \quad d_o^2 \frac{\partial \phi_o}{\partial z} = 4\psi_w$

- Momentum balance: $\frac{\partial P_i}{\partial z} = -\frac{F_i \mu \phi_i}{A_i \rho} \quad \frac{\partial P_o}{\partial z} = -\frac{F_o \mu \phi_o}{d_o^2 \rho}$

- Pressure drop across filter wall and soot cake:

$$P_i - P_o = \frac{K}{\rho} \mu \psi_w$$

- where K is a constant with wall & soot permeabilities and geometric parameters

A_i : Cross-sectional area of soot-loaded inlet channel
 d_o : Width of outlet channel
 F_i, F_o : Viscous loss coeffn for inlet & outlet channels
 K : Const for soot & wall geometry & permeabilities
 P_i, P_o : Pressure in inlet & outlet channels
 z : Axial coordinate
 μ : Gas viscosity
 ρ : Gas density
 ϕ_i : Mass flux of gas along inlet channel, ρV
 ϕ_o : Mass flux of gas along outlet channel, ρV
 ψ_w : Mass flow through wall per unit length of wall

Derivation 1: “Low Inertia Model”

Solution for flow rate in inlet channel

- Derivation follows same line as detailed analytic model of SAE 890405
- Subtract one momentum balance from the other:

$$\bullet \frac{\partial(P_i - P_o)}{\partial z} = -\frac{\mu}{\rho} \left[\frac{F_i}{A_i} \phi_i + \frac{F_o}{d_o^2} \phi_o \right]$$

- Substitute in Darcy’s law:

$$\bullet K \frac{\partial \psi_W}{\partial z} = - \left[\frac{F_i}{A_i} \phi_i + \frac{F_o}{d_o^2} \phi_o \right]$$

- Substitute in mass balance:

$$\bullet \frac{A_i K}{4} \frac{\partial^2 \phi_i}{\partial z^2} = \left(\frac{F_i}{A_i} + \frac{A_i F_o}{d_o^4} \right) \phi_i - \frac{F_o \dot{m}_C}{d_o^4}$$

- Solve this second order differential equation and apply the boundary conditions:

$$\bullet \frac{A_i \phi_i}{\dot{m}_C} = C + \frac{[1-C] \sinh \alpha[L/2-z] - C \sinh \alpha[L/2+z]}{\sinh \alpha L}$$

$$C = \frac{A_i^2 F_o}{d_o^4 F_i + A_i^2 F_o}$$
$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{4}{K} \left(\frac{F_i}{A_i^2} + \frac{F_o}{d_o^4} \right)}$$

Domain of filter: $-L/2 \leq z \leq L/2$

Derivation 1: “Low Inertia Model”

Solution for other variables: outlet & across-wall flow, pressure in channels, etc.

- Solution for inlet channel flow:

$$\bullet \frac{A_i \phi_i}{\dot{m}_c} = C + \frac{[1-C] \sinh \alpha[L/2-z] - C \sinh \alpha[L/2+z]}{\sinh \alpha L}$$

- Mass balance gives outlet channel flow and flow through wall from inlet channel flow:

$$\bullet \frac{d_o^2 \phi_o}{\dot{m}_c} = 1 - C - \frac{[1-C] \sinh \alpha[L/2-z] - C \sinh \alpha[L/2+z]}{\sinh \alpha L}$$

$$\bullet \psi_W = \frac{\dot{m}_c \alpha ([1-C] \cosh \alpha[L/2-z] + C \cosh \alpha[L/2+z])}{4 \sinh \alpha L}$$

- Darcy’s law gives pressure drop across wall & soot cake from through-wall flow rate:

$$\bullet P_i - P_o = \frac{K \mu \dot{m}_c \alpha ([1-C] \cosh \alpha[L/2-z] + C \cosh \alpha[L/2+z])}{4 \rho \sinh \alpha L}$$

- Substitution of inlet or outlet channel flow into momentum balance & solving gives P:

$$\bullet P_i = -\frac{F_i \mu \dot{m}_c}{A_i^2 \rho} \left[C z - \frac{[1-C] \cosh \alpha[L/2-z] + C \cosh \alpha[L/2+z]}{\alpha \sinh \alpha L} \right] + D$$

$$\bullet P_o = -\frac{F_o \mu \dot{m}_c}{d_o^4 \rho} \left[[1-C] z + \frac{[1-C] \cosh \alpha[L/2-z] + C \cosh \alpha[L/2+z]}{\alpha \sinh \alpha L} \right] + E$$

D & E are arbitrary constants

Derivation 1: “Low Inertia Model”

Pressure drop across filter

- There are several contributions to backpressure:
 - Pressure drop along inlet channel
 - Pressure drop across wall and soot cake
 - Pressure drop along outlet channel
- Exact combination of these for a gas molecule depends on where it crosses the wall
- Pressure drop across filter for gas molecule crossing the wall at z_W is given by
 - $\Delta P = (P_i|_{z=-L/2} - P_i|_{z_W}) + (P_i|_{z_W} - P_o|_{z_W}) + (P_o|_{z_W} - P_o|_{z=L/2})$
- Substituting into this gives:
 - $$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho} \frac{1}{d_o^4 F_i + A_i^2 F_o^2} \left[F_i F_o L + \frac{1}{\alpha \sinh \alpha L} \left(\frac{d_o^8 F_i^2 + A_i^4 F_o^2}{A_i^2 d_o^4} \cosh \alpha L + 2 F_i F_o \right) \right]$$
 - Pressure drop across filter does not depend on where gas crosses the wall, as it should

Derivation 1: “Low Inertia Model”

Compare with Konstandopoulos & Johnson-Type model

- “Low-inertia” solution just derived looks nothing like Konstandopoulos & Johnson-type equation

- Low-inertia:
$$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho} \frac{1}{d_o^4 F_i + A_i^2 F_o^2} \left[F_i F_o L + \frac{1}{\alpha \sinh \alpha L} \left(\frac{d_o^8 F_i^2 + A_i^4 F_o^2}{A_i^2 d_o^4} \cosh \alpha L + 2 F_i F_o \right) \right]$$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{4}{K} \left(\frac{F_i}{A_i^2} + \frac{F_o}{d_o^4} \right)}$$

- K&J-type:
$$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho} \left[\frac{L}{3} \left(\frac{F_i}{A_i^2} + \frac{F_o}{d_o^4} \right) + \frac{K}{4L} \right]$$

- Key difference is that terms for pressure drop in inlet and outlet channels and across wall are combined in low-inertia solution but completely independent in Konstandopoulos & Johnson-type equation

Derivation 2: “Low α , Low Inertia Model”

- Another attempt at deriving the K&J model...
- Take low-inertia model and assume that α is small
 - Corresponds to pressure drop across wall and soot cake being large compared with along channel pressure drop

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{4}{K} \left(\frac{F_i}{A_i^2} + \frac{F_o}{d_o^4} \right)}$$

- Remember: $\sinh x = x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots$, $\cosh x = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$
 - Therefore, assume $\sinh x = x$ and $\cosh x = 1$ in low-inertia model

• This gives:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \bullet \quad \frac{A_i \phi_i}{\dot{m}_C} &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{z}{L} & \frac{d_o^2 \phi_o}{\dot{m}_C} &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{L} & \psi_W &= \frac{\dot{m}_C}{4L} \\ \bullet \quad P_i &= -\frac{F_i F_o \mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho (d_o^4 F_i + A_i^2 F_o)} z + D' & P_o &= -\frac{F_i F_o \mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho (d_o^4 F_i + A_i^2 F_o)} z + E' \end{aligned} \right\} \text{i.e. constant through-wall velocity along channels; inlet and outlet channel velocities and pressure vary linearly along filter}$$

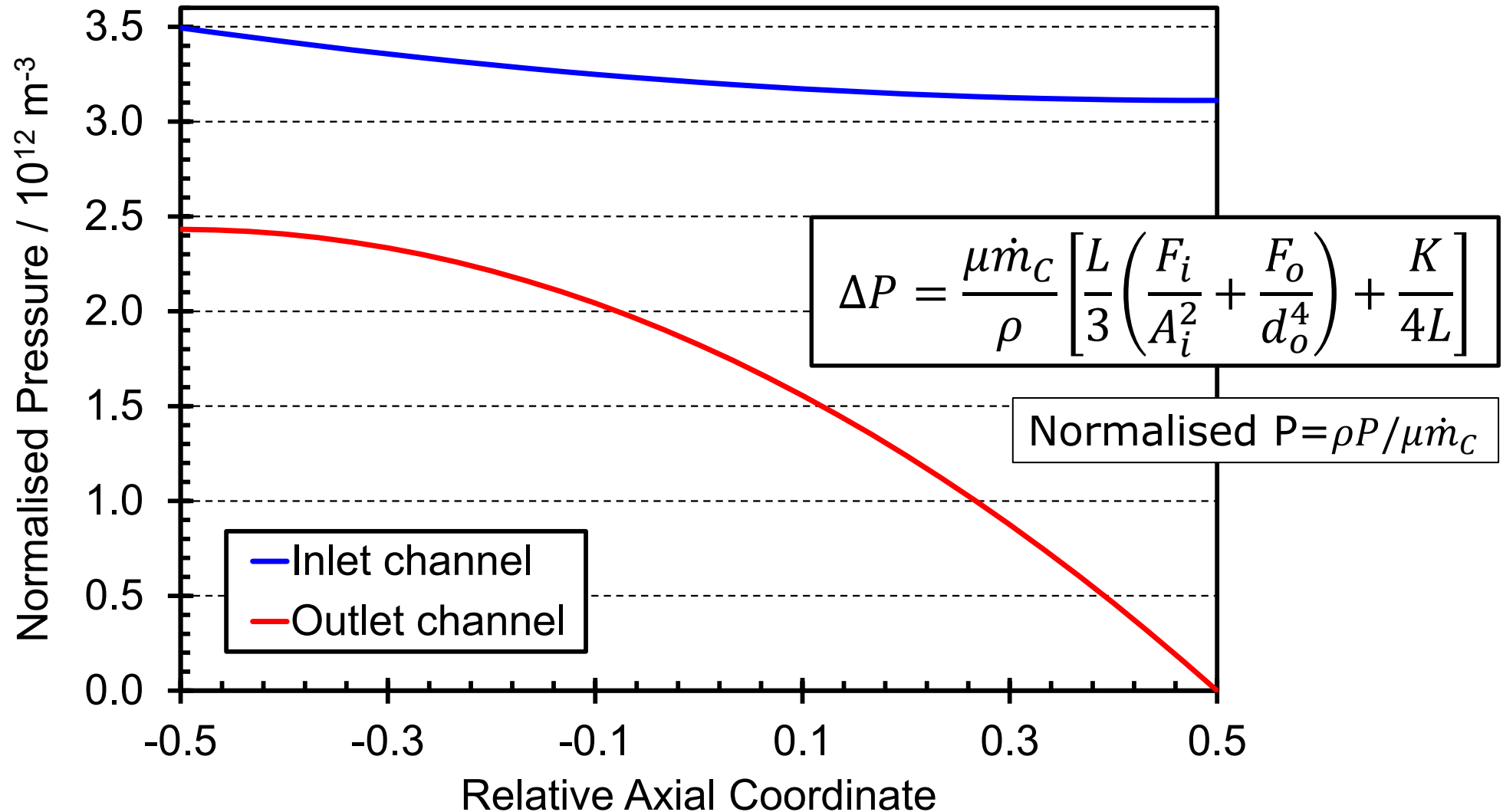
$$\bullet \quad \Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho} \left[\frac{F_i F_o L}{d_o^4 F_i + A_i^2 F_o} + \frac{K}{4L} \right] \quad \text{Still different from K\&J model}$$

Derivation 3: Assume Const Wall Velocity & Apply Momentum Balance

- Next attempt at deriving the K&J model...
 - Assume constant wall-flow along the length of the filter, as predicted by “low- α ” model
 - Substitute this into momentum balances and evaluate
- This gives:
 - $$P_i = -\frac{F_i \mu \dot{m}_C}{2A_i^2 \rho} \left[z - \frac{z^2}{L} \right] + D'' \quad P_o = -\frac{F_o \mu \dot{m}_C}{2d_o^4 \rho} \left[z + \frac{z^2}{L} \right] + E''$$
- Need different approach for calculating total pressure drop (as model doesn't “add up”)
 - Hence, $\Delta P = \overline{\Delta P_i} + \overline{\Delta P_W} + \overline{\Delta P_o}$
 - where $\overline{\Delta P_i} = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} (P_i|_{z=-L/2} - P_i|_z) dz = \frac{F_i \mu \dot{m}_C L}{3A_i^2 \rho}$ $\overline{\Delta P_o} = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} (P_o|_z - P_o|_{z=L/2}) dz = \frac{F_o \mu \dot{m}_C L}{3d_o^4 \rho}$
 - This gives:
 - $$\Delta P = \frac{\mu \dot{m}_C}{\rho} \left[\frac{L}{3} \left(\frac{F_i}{A_i^2} + \frac{F_o}{d_o^4} \right) + \frac{K}{4L} \right]$$
 Finally, we have the K&J model!

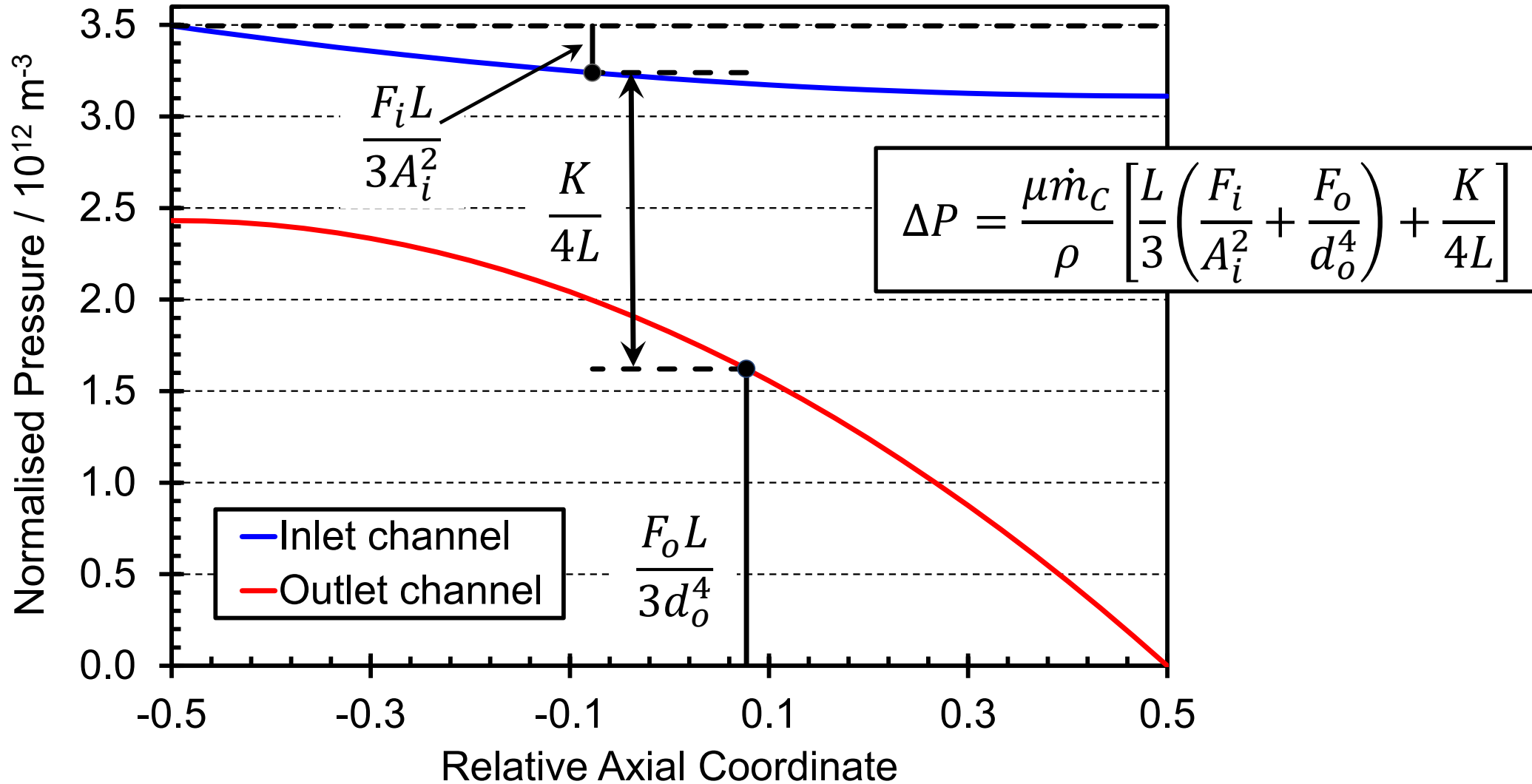
Konstandopoulos-Johnson Type Model: Pressure Profile Prediction

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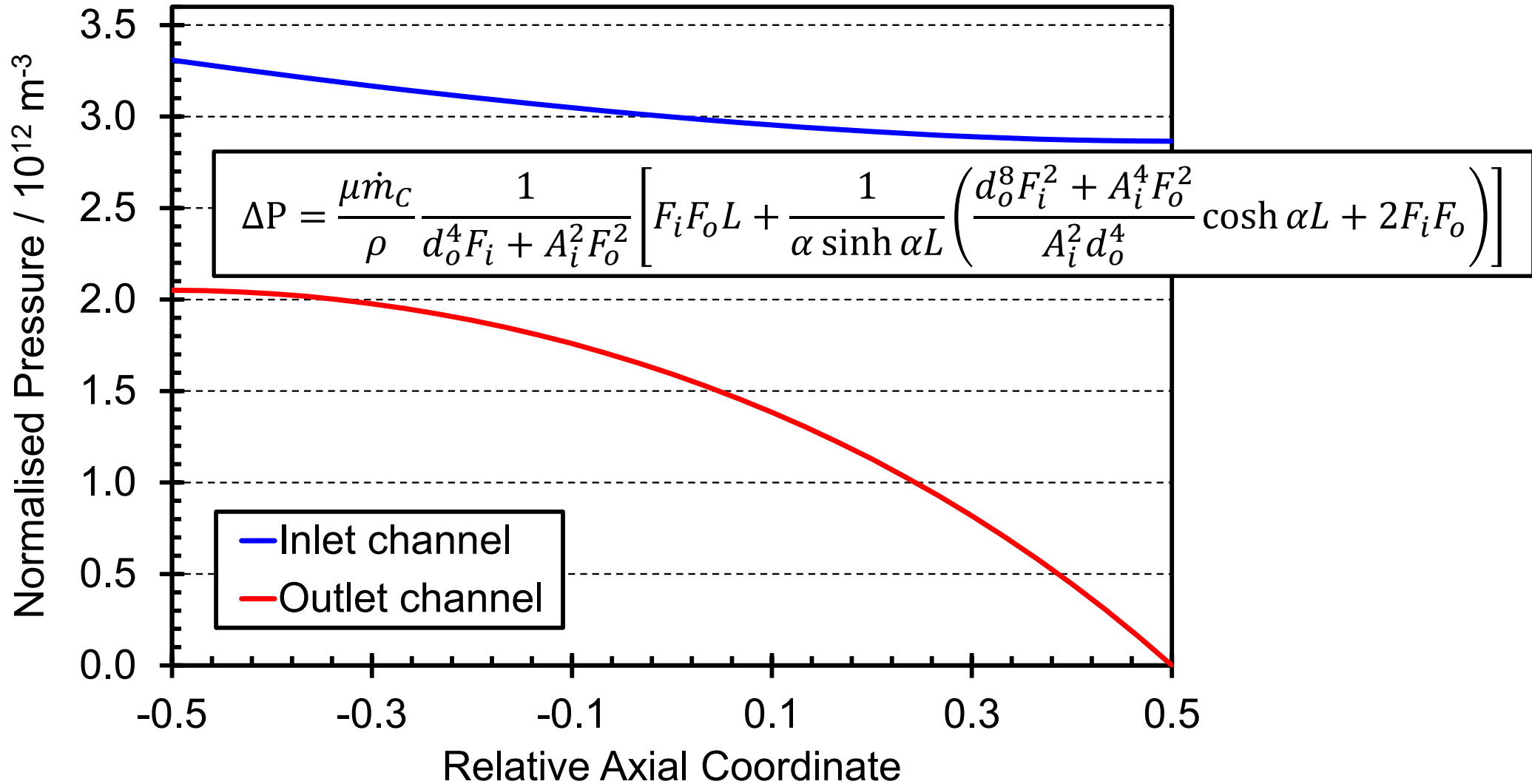
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Terms in pressure drop equation not entirely consistent with pressure profiles



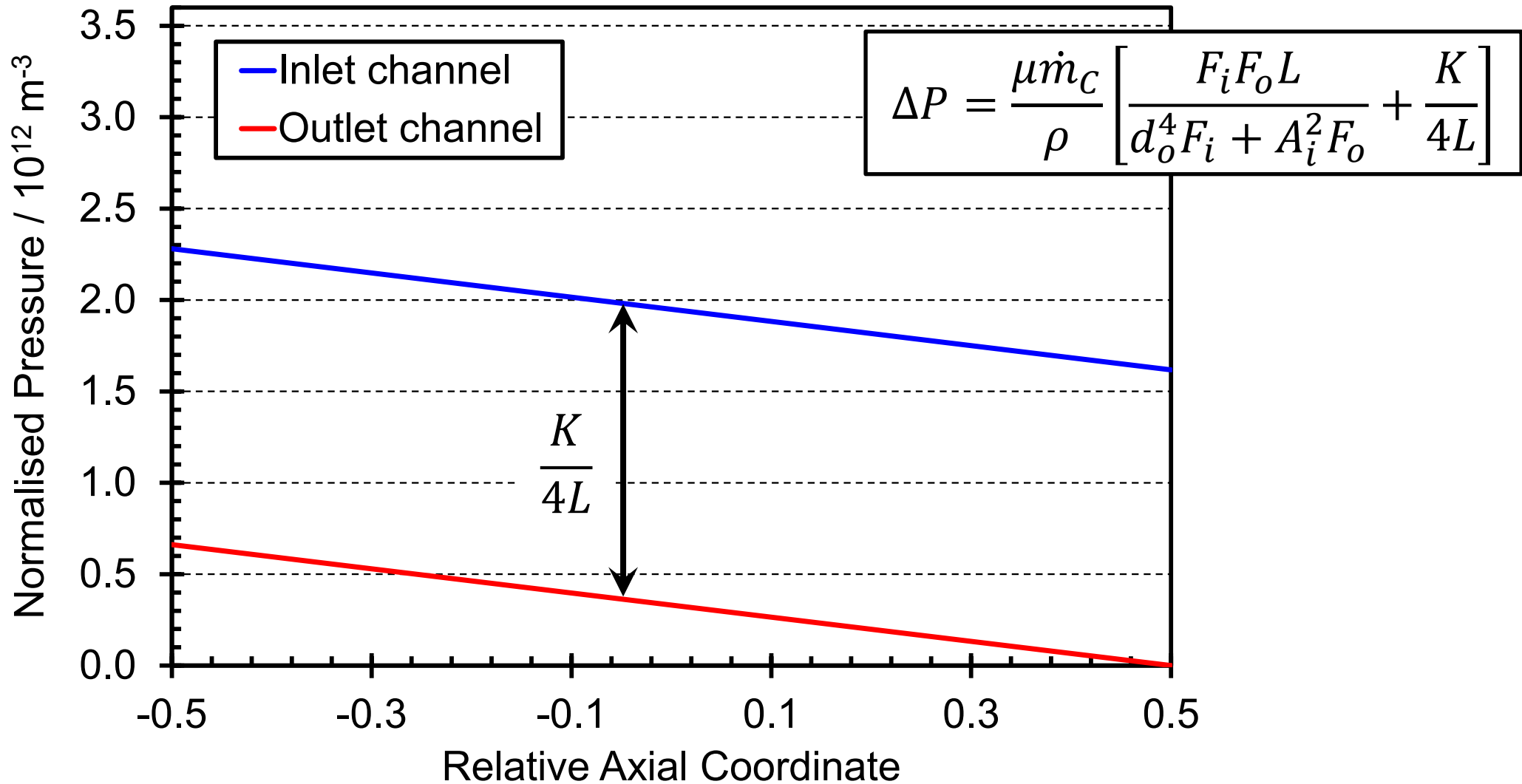
Low Inertia Model: Pressure Profile Prediction

118.4×152.4 mm, 300/8, d/d_o=1.6 octo-square asymmetric, k_w=2×10⁻¹³ m², 20°C



Low α Model: Pressure Profile Prediction

118.4×152.4 mm, 300/8, $d/d_o=1.6$ octo-square asymmetric, $k_w=2\times 10^{-13}$ m², 20°C



Comparison of Numeric and Analytic Models

- Compare the following models:

- Numeric:

- Model with and without inertial terms
 - Compressible and incompressible flow
- } 4 models

- Analytic:

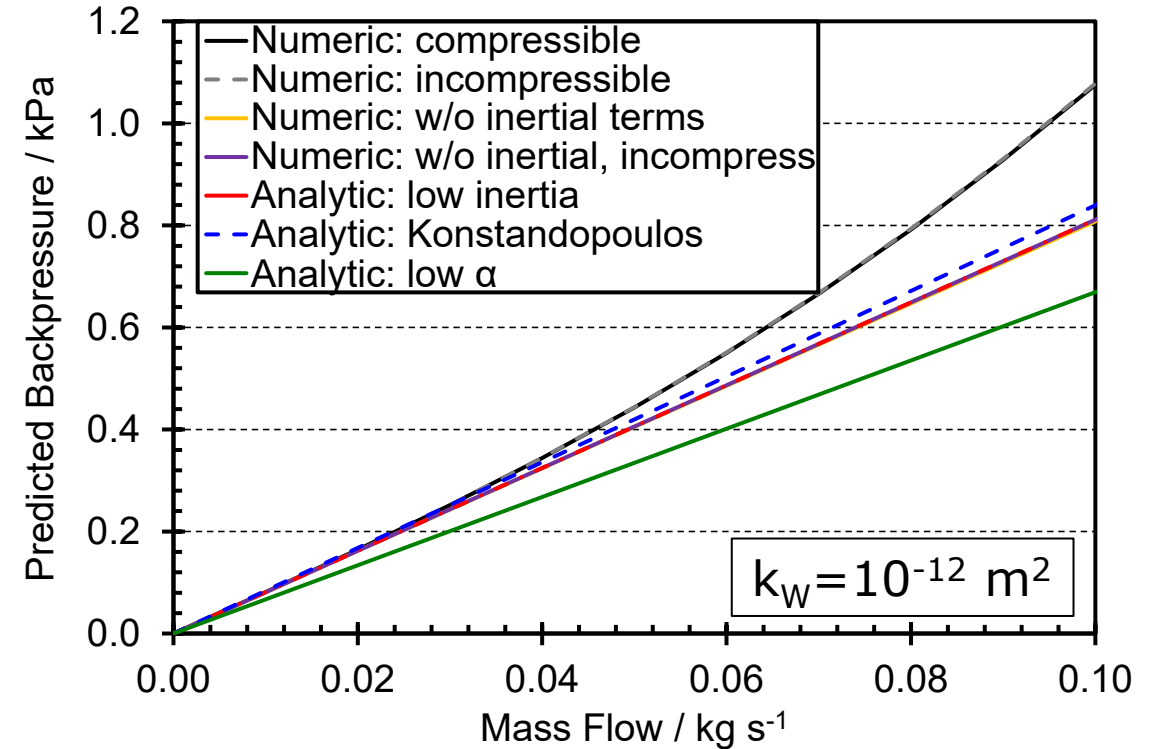
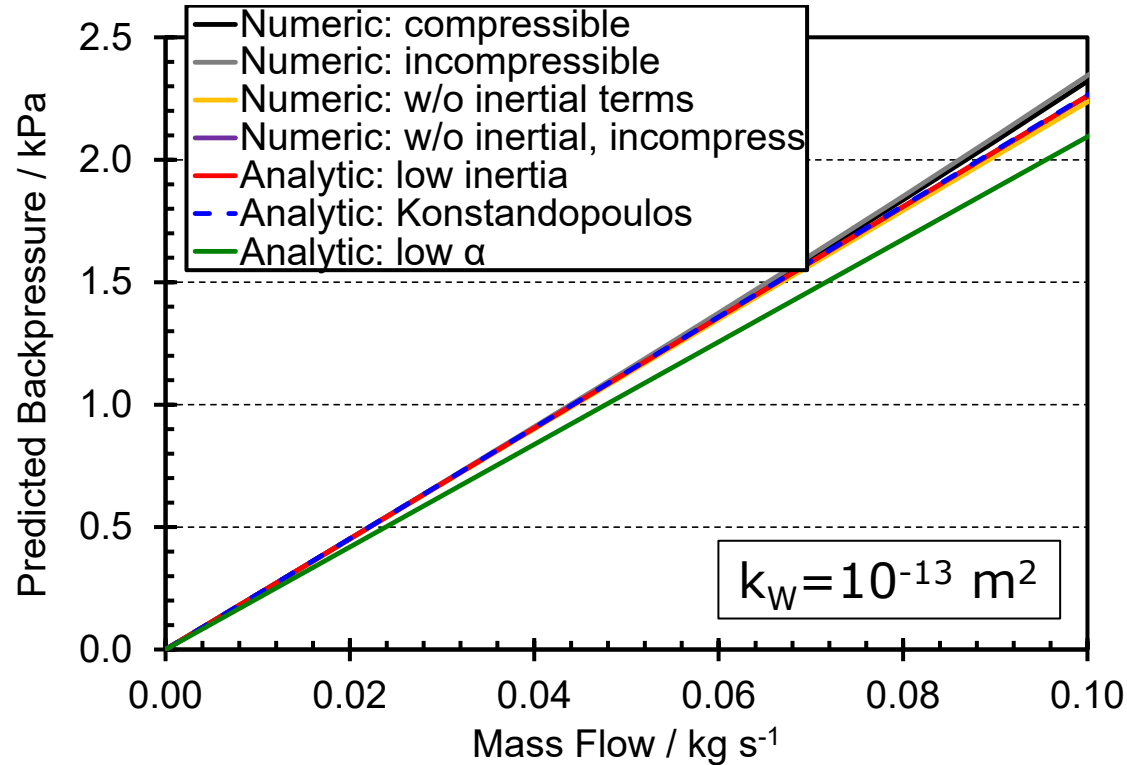
- Low inertia model
 - Low- α model
 - K&J-type model

System:
118.4×152.4mm
300/8
Symmetric (unless otherwise stated)
20°C

- Two types of comparison:

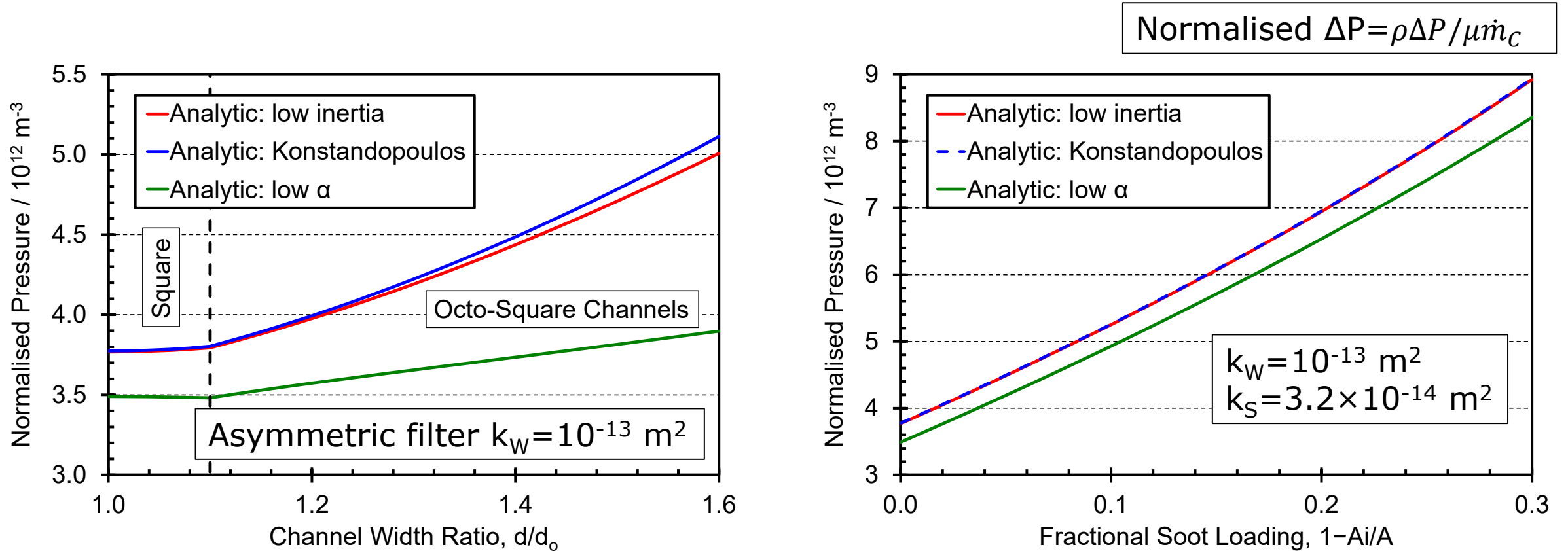
- Compare numeric and analytic models when vary flow rate for fixed configuration
 - Compare analytic models when vary i) soot loading and ii) channel width ratio of asymmetric

Model Comparison: Effect of Flow Rate and Wall Permeability



- Inertial terms can be neglected for lower flows and lower permeability
- Low inertia model agrees perfectly with incompressible, numeric model w/o inertial terms
- Konstandopoulos & Johnson model agrees well with low-inertia, incompressible flow models
- Low α model under predicts compared to other models

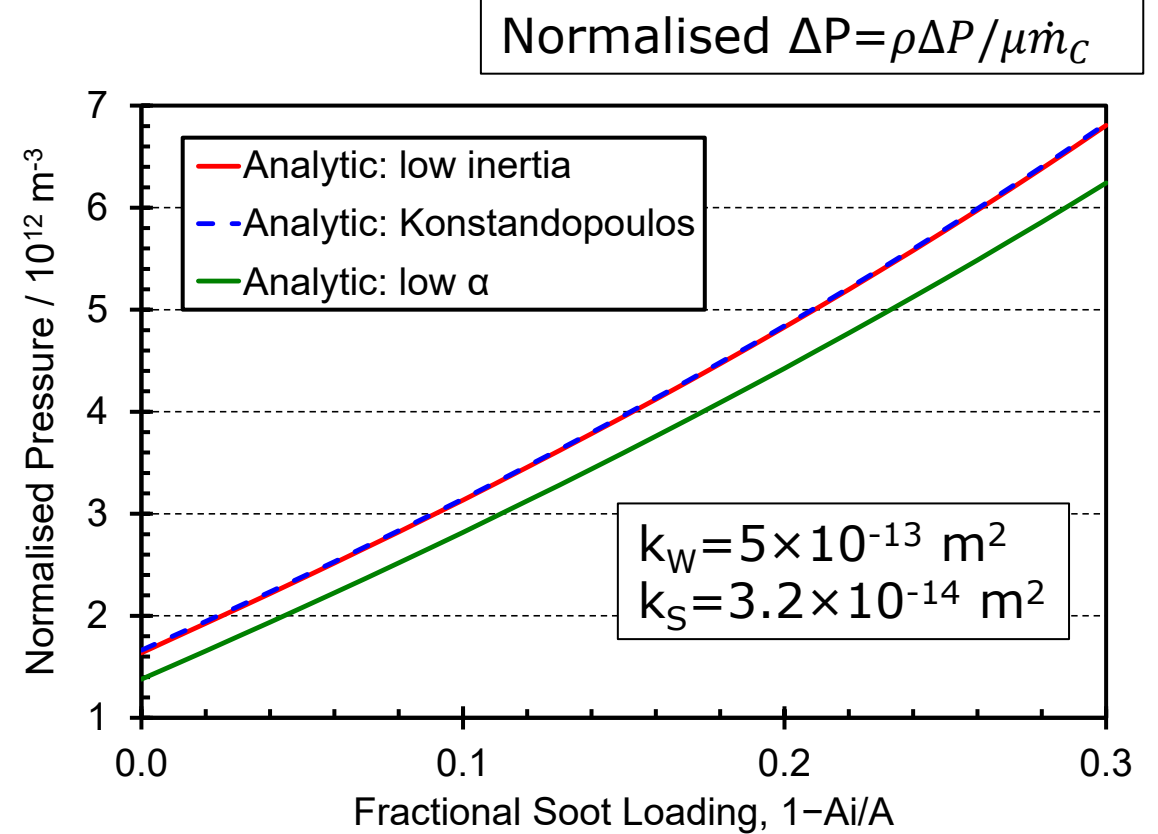
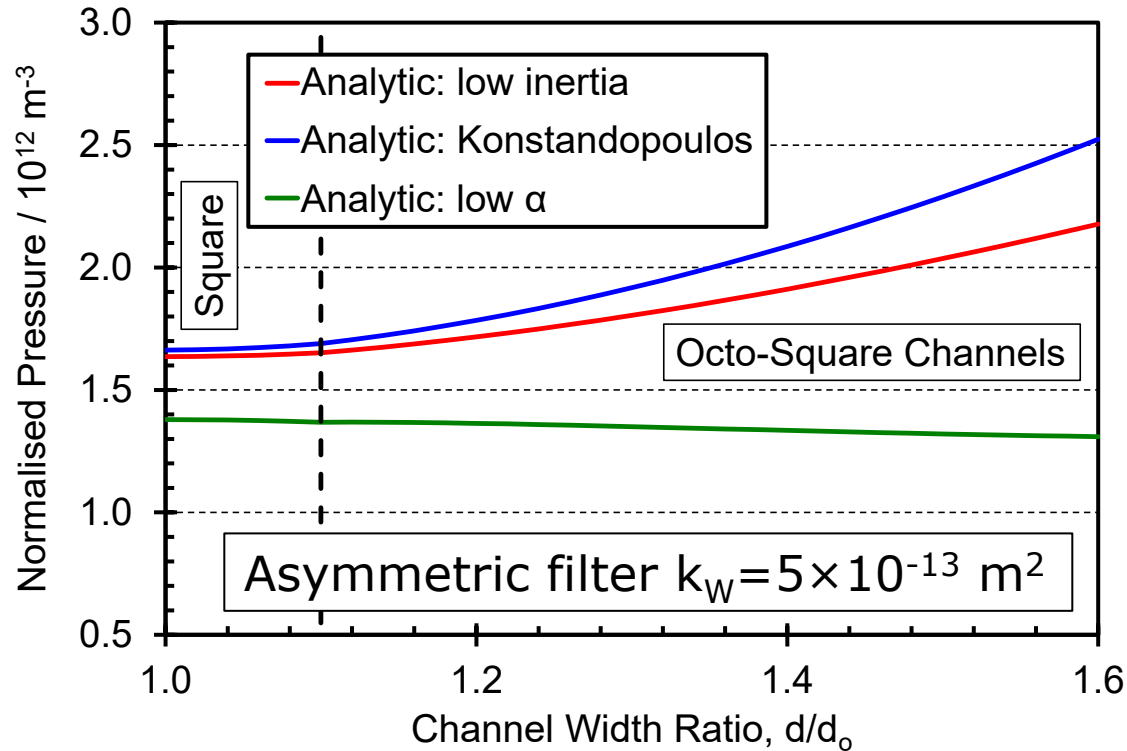
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- When soot load, good agreement with low-inertia and K&J – helped by high p-drop across soot
- With octo-square asymmetric, difference in pressure drop prediction between low-inertia and K&J increases as filter becomes more asymmetric (but small difference)
- Low- α model underpredicts compared to other models

Model Comparison: Effect of Channel Width Ratio and Soot Loading

Increase wall permeability



- When soot load, good agreement with low-inertia and K&J – helped by high p-drop across soot
- With octo-square asymmetric, difference in pressure drop prediction between low-inertia and K&J increases as filter becomes more asymmetric – greater difference with higher permeability
- Low- α model underpredicts compared to other models

When is Konstandopoulos & Johnson-Type Model Valid?

- Konstandopoulos & Johnson-type model valid when:
 - Inertial terms can be neglected
 - Constant wall-flow along filter
- For inertial terms to negligible need:
 - Relatively low space velocity
 - Low wall & soot permeability, thick soot cake and filter wall
 - If pressure drop across wall & soot cake large, inertial contributions small in comparison
- For constant wall-flow along filter need:
 - Low wall & soot permeability, thick soot cake and filter wall
 - Negligible inertial effects



Conclusions

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- A series of analytic models for filter backpressure prediction have been developed
- Konstandopoulou & Johnson-type models:
 - Work well, despite simplicity of equation and less than rigorous derivation
 - Provided flow rate relatively low & pressure drop across wall & soot cake relatively high
 - Has been extended to asymmetric filters with different channel cross sections
- Predictions of low inertia analytic model match low-inertia, incompressible numeric model