Modeling Regeneration in Wall-Flow Diesel Particulate Filters

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Characterization of regeneration modeling:

• Modeling DPF pressure drop: includes *fluid mechanics* only.

- Modeling DPF regeneration:
 - fluid mechanics.
 - heat transfer.
 - reaction kinetics.



Background:

• First modeling of filter regeneration: Pauli, Lepperhoff, and Pischinger, SAE - 830180, 1983).

• Pioneering work of Bissett (Chem. Eng. Sci., 39, Nos. 7/8, 1233-1244, 1984), Bissett and Shadman, (AIChE, 31.No. 5, 753-758, 1985), further paving the road.

Continued by

- Konstandopoulos (Combustion and Flame, 1999, SAE-1999-01-0469, SAE 2000-01-1016, SAE 2001,01-0908, ...).

- Kandylas, Stamatelos (Indus. Eng. Chem. Res., no. 5, 1866-1876, 1999), ...
- Opris and Johnson (SAE 1998 980545).
- MTU team (Johnson's Team -- Awara, Tan, Gadde, ...; several publications).
- Many recent papers on various regeneration aspects (effect of oscillatory flows, Nox effect, transient effect,); mostly in SAE proceedings.
- (list not exhaustive).



Regeneration Model Formulation:

Fluid Mechanics:

- Conservation of Mass for inlet channel/ exit channel.
- Conservation of Momentum for channel gas: one balance equation for inlet channel, one for exit channel.
- Heat Transfer:
 - Conservation of Energy: for gas phase.
 - One balance for the inlet channel; one for the exit channel.
 - Convective heat exchange between the gas flow and the channel walls (heat added to / removed from the filtration walls)



Heat Transfer (cont.):

- Conservation of Energy: for solid phase (filter wall).

 Account for convective heat exchange with gas in inlet channel, through wall, in exit channel.

- Exotherms due to soot combustion.
- Heat conduction in wall (and in soot layer).
- Including radiation heat transfer in channel recommended.
- Key HT mechanism (driver): convection from the gas to the wall. Next: conduction through the wall.

Kinetics:

- Soot combustion and CO selectivity:
 - soot reaction: enthalpy and activation energy consideration.

Include additives / catalyst effect / ... (if applicable).
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Model Capabilities:

• Simulate "practical" regeneration scenarios (with catalytic coating, fuel borne catalyst, NO2- assisted,)

- Simulate 2-d, 3-d simulations / effect of upstream flow nonuniformity on regeneration.
- Model 'run-time' should be 'practical' (~ minutes for 1-dim., ~ hour for 2-3 dim. simulations).
 - Leaves potential for on-board-diagnostic applications.
- Simulate influence of ash on regeneration (ash production and interactions).



In addition:

Model should allow

- Effect of hydrocarbon addition / post injection.
- Effect of hydrocarbon adsorption / desorption on particulate reactivity.
- Effect of sulfur content on particulate reactivity
- Effect of catalyst aging
- Effect of ash accumulation on pressure drop and catalyst fouling
- NOx formation during regeneration.

(Perspective from: Konstandopoulos et al)



Model Input -- should be flexible enough to take into account various flow, filter, soot, catalyst, additives, ... influencing regeneration:

Model should allow / account for:

- filter material (composition) and pore structure (porosity, ...) & filtration characteristics (mean pore size, porosity, permeability)
- filter thermophysical properties (heat capacity, thermal conductivity)
- filter geometry (cell density, wall thickness, size, plug length, ring, aspect ratio, bulk mass, ...)
- particulate
 - growth properties (cake porosity/ density/ permeability/ structure; SOF, ...) and modes (deep bed following cake layer growth)
 - *composition* (Ash, soot, , HC, ...)
- Etc.



Model output -- should yield both spatial and temporal data (various locations / time) due to regeneration

- Filter wall temperature / temperature gradient
- Gas temperature (inlet to exit)
- Pressure drop evolution during regeneration
- Particulate layer: deposited and remaining (details in time and space) during regeneration (particulate oxidation is typically non-uniform in space and time).
- Species: O2, CO, CO2, NO, NO2, HC, H2O,
- Transient input conditions.
- Etc.
- Output should be importable into other platforms for other applications (e.g., thermal stress modeling.)



- It's wise to build data base of
 - kinetics information,
 - mechanical (porosity, density, permeability, ...) and thermal (thermal conductivity, heat capacity, ...) properties of soot deposit layer.
 - Similarly relevant information.

Example -- Simulation Results*

FILTER TEMPERATURE RISE DURING REGENERATION

Model vs. Experiment (data from: Tan et al. SAE 960136)



Filter wall temperature (T_w) for 155 gr of soot loading under controlled regeneration $(T_b = 583 \text{ K})^{-1}$

Filter wall temperature (T_w) for 63 gr of soot loading under controlled regeneration $(T_b = 583 \text{ K})^{-1}$ CORNING

¹¹ (* from Walter© Regeneration Simulator, Konstandopoulos *et al*)

Example -- Simulation Results

Simulation results for

- spatial and temporal profiles of filter wall temperature
- maximum filter wall temperature gradient ($T_{exh} = 330 \text{ C}$)





Example -- Simulation Results

Simulation results for

- Particulate layer thickness changing in time during regeneration.
- Total particulate mass in the trap.



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Sample publications on modeling regeneration in DPF

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