

Mixing of two fluids

density-matched

with variable viscosity

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I. Variable-viscosity flows. The importance

Many practical applications





Duguet et al. Earth Planetary Science 2014

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Chhabra, Shibra and Prasad, Exp. Fluids 2005

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I. Variable-viscosity flows. The importance

- Many practical applications
- Both reactants (fuel and oxidizer) are generally injected through distinct channels
 - → merging zone followed by a non-reacting, quasi isothermal partially premixed region
 - → strong effect of turbulence (large and small scales) on the flame stabilization, structure or propagation





I. Variable-viscosity flow. The importance



II. Experimental investigation

Propane jet issuing into air

Air= 5 times more viscous than the propane

Comparison between C3H8-air jet and a 'classical' air-ar jet

Simultaneous measurements of velocity-scalar (concentration)

Case	Injected	Coflowing	U_0	U_{coflow}	Re_D	M_0	$R_v = \frac{\nu_h}{\nu_l}$
	Fluid	Fluid	(m/s)	(m/s)		$(kg \cdot m^{-1} \cdot s^{-2})$	h=higher, l=l
CVF	Air	Air	10.5	0.15	3300	130	1 🗲
VVF	C_3H_8	Oxidizer	8.5	0.15	9200	130	5.5

Table 1. Experimental flow conditions.

Talbot et al., Exp. In Fluids 2009

L. Voivenel et al., 2014



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II. Experimental investigation









II. Experimental investigation. Time-resolved measurements of velocity and scalar

How to measure U and c (simultaneous, time-resolved)

	Planar Techniques PlV + PLIF	Comments - Too low spatial resolution for such near-fields
		- Seeding difficulties due to the near wall proximity
	Temporal Techniques	
	Laser Doppler Velocimetry (LDV) + Raman Scattering	- Conditioned scalar by velocity measurements (biaised by seeding), C3H8-Air, Mathematical model required Dibble et al. 1987
	« Double » Hot-Wire Anemometry	- for inert mixtures only (He-Air, CO2-Air), Way& Libby 1979, Chassaing 1979
<	Hot-Wire Anemometry + Rayleigh Scattering	- Conditioned velocity by scalar measurements (biaised by Shot-noise), C3H8-Air, CH4-Air, Pitts & <i>al.</i> 1983

Velocity and scalar measurements



Time-resolved measurements of velocity and scalar





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III. Results. Instantaneous signals



Over the same spatial extent:

- Air: presence of turbulent structures (ramps)
- Propane: closer to the injection, but more regular signal= much more important gradients



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III. Results. Instantaneous images (PLIF on acetone and anisole)





Over the same spatial extent:

- Air: typically two pairs of annular vortices (KH)
- Propane: a hint of annular vortices close to the injection, but

much more important gradients, much more turbulent





III. Results. Statistics: one-point

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 \rightarrow Decay of the longitudinal velocity: 30% larger in VVF

→Entrainment + important

Source py and self-similarity are more rapidly achieved

III. Results. Scenario

Scenario:

- -Density variations: NO
- -Viscosity effects: YES

Effects:

-increase of fluctuations -increase of velocity gradients -increase of the dissipation





III. Results. Phenomenology



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III. Results. One-point statistics. Three questions



3) The transport equation of the kinetic-energy → complete definition of the mean energy dissipation rate



Question 1

Navier – Stokes... +
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\mu(c) \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial [\overline{U}^2 + \overline{u'^2}]}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} r(\overline{U} \cdot \overline{V} + \overline{u'v'}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \overline{P}}{\partial x} + \overline{\nu} \nabla^2 \overline{U} + \overline{\nu'} \nabla^2 \overline{u'} + \nabla \nu \cdot \left(\overrightarrow{s}\right)_{i=1}$$

Supplementary terms ← viscosity gradients → Rapid decay of the longitudinal mean velocity



Question 2: The true Reynolds number

- Inertial term: $\mathcal{I} = \overline{U} \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \sim U_0^2 / D;$
- Viscous term 1: $\mathcal{V}_1 = \overline{\nu} \nabla^2 \overline{U} \sim \overline{\nu} \cdot U_0 / D^2;$

• Viscous term 2:

$$\mathcal{V}_2 = \overline{\nabla \nu \cdot \left(\overrightarrow{s}\right)_i} \sim \Delta \nu \cdot u_i' / L_v^2,$$



Question 2: The true Reynolds number

• Reynolds number definition

$$Re_{t} = \frac{\mathcal{I}}{\mathcal{V}_{1} + \mathcal{V}_{2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{\overline{\nu}}{U_{0} \cdot D} + (R_{v} - 1)\frac{\nu_{l}}{U_{0} \cdot D} \left(\frac{D}{L_{v}}\right)^{2}}$$

In the very near field : $Re_{t} = \frac{U_{0} \cdot D}{\nu_{h}}$

Campbell, I. H. & Turner, J. S., 'The influence of viscosity on fountains in magma chamber' Journal of Petrology, **1986**, 27, 1-30

J. Turner- J. Fluid Mech. 1986

Talbot et al., Physica Scripta 2013



Question 2: The true Reynolds number: further relevance mixing or unmixing?



Counter-gradient configuration



Another effect of viscosity increase: Reduction of turbulence Reynolds number





Is self-similarity respected?

- In classical turbulent flow (cst. viscosity):
- $Re_{\lambda} \sim \sqrt{Re_D}$
- \rightarrow Good agreement for air/air jet (ReD=5400)
- \rightarrow Re₁ should be higher for propane/air flow (ReD=15400 !!)
- Different evolution with axial direction



 \rightarrow Viscosity increase directly inhibits.....