## Data decomposition for unsteady combustion analysis

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Turbulent combustion is an unsteady process that generate interactions between velocity, pressure and temperature,

in strong interactions with the boundaries of the system.

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#### Small perturbation

Pressure signal in a burner (Horton & Price, 1962)

Most of the time, combustion chambers are instable and we try to minimize the amplitude of the limit cycle.

## Mastering of the pressure perturbations in the surrounding of the chamber is one the challenges in combustion



#### Noise depends on the operating conditions.



Typical sound pressure level spectra in the far field of unconfined, turbulent, premixed and diffusion flames. *AIAA paper No.73-1023, Oct.1973* 

Strahle et al., (1975) AIAA Paper 75-127



Pressure field perturbations are due to numerous couplings that need intense data processing to understand





The challenge is to keep pressure amplitudes in a safe domain.

Understand the transient and limit phases.

These amplitudes depend on

- the acoustic sources (jet, combustion, vortex, shear layer...),
- the damping mechanisms (acoustic impedance, damping, turbulence),
- and propagation medium (upstream in fresh gases, downstream in burnt gases...)

Data decomposition helps in separating time and space scales.

## **IC Engine Example**

Modal decomposition of the unsteady flow field in compression-ignited combustion chambers *A. Torregrosa, A. Broatch, J. García-Tíscar, J. Gomez-Soriano* Combustion and Flame 188 (2018) 469–482



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#### Pressure inside the engine has a broadband frequency content.



## Several Power Density modes have to be collected to describe the spatial pressure evolution



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 $\Psi_{\rm 1}$ 

 $\Psi_{2}$ 

 $\Psi_{\rm 3}$ 

 $\Psi_4$ 



 $\Psi_5$ 

 $\Psi_{6}$ 

 $\Psi_7$ 

 $\Psi_8$ 



## A geometrical modification of the injection reduces the pressure amplitude fluctuations



POD mode  $[\Psi_i]$ 

[%] **Energy** 1

POD is efficient when

- a few modes concentrate a large amount of energy
- the energy is distributed over a large range of frequencies
- the signal is not periodic
- the time resolution is low

DMD cannot be used to decompose transition signals and require a high time resolution.

#### Limit cycles observed in combustion chamber feature



Computational investigation on combustion instabilities in a rocket combustor Acta Astronautica Volume 127, October–November 2016, Pages 634-643 LeiYuan, Chibing Shen

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## Multi-variables DMD



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# Multi-variable DMD highlights correlation between physical quantities

Two strategies are still available.



This gives a unique optimal base for all the diagnostics

Values have to be normalized to take into account their volume and their absolute value.

The amplitude of velocity modes projected on the base B<sub>i</sub> highlight the correlation between the two quantities.

 $\mathbf{1}$ 



#### **Quantitatives informations**

- Velocity has a different dynamic than pressure
- Heat release is sensitive to both the pressure and velocity fluctuations
- Damping strongly depends on the modes



#### Flow dynamics



0.9

## Reconstruction of the acoustic source

#### The phase between the diagnostics is recovered within the modes.





Acoustic source term

## Data decomposition for model reduction



F. Boudy et al. / Proceedings of the Combustion Institute 33 (2011) 1121–1128

To create models, the strategy is to separate the signal in few modes and amplitudes :

$$p'(t,x) = a_1(t)\Psi_1(x) + \dots + a_4(t)\Psi_4(x)$$
$$\frac{da_i(t)}{dt} = \mathcal{F}(a_i)$$

The problem is to identify the modes that allow to describe the system whatever the operating point.

# Combustion systems experience bifurcation that make the modeling complex.



The system experience two kind of dynamics depending on the bifurcation parameter.

Chemiluminescence from flames is recorded fordifferent values of the bifurcation parameter.

#### 80 images, 6 kHz





(a) Case A,  $t_1$ 



(b) Case A,  $t_2$ 



## $L_1 = 52 \text{ cm}$







(d) Case B,  $t_1$ 

(e) Case B,  $t_2$ 

(f) Case B,  $t_3$ 

The poor quality of the images is due to the high sampling frequency and the low emission level of the flames.



Four dominant modes are identified (1 to 4).

### Depending on the bifurcation parameter, the weight of each mode changes.







(a) Case A, mode 2



(b) Case A, mode 3



(c) Case A, mode 4



(d) Case B, mode 2



(e) Case B, mode 3



(f) Case B, mode 4



#### **Before bifurcation**

– experiment- mode 3o mode 4

#### After bifurcation

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- Combustion LOx/LH2 ;
- Chamber pressure 30 bar ;
- External acoustic modulation ;
- Sampling frequency 25 kHz. Open Copper exit blocks HF5 nozzle HF3 HF1 Injectors Quartz window Toothed Injection wheel HF2 HF4 dome Closed exit nozzle

#### MASCOTTE (ONERA, Palaiseau)



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#### Average light emission from the flames



Since the flow is acoustically modulated from an external source, pressure sensors detect mainly this frequency



A first multi-variable DMD is performed with the pressures and light emission.



All the dynamics is concentrated on one mode.



DMD is first used to filter the emission field at the modulation frequency.



The time evolution of one mode is rebuilt together with the average convective field.



Spatial DMD is performed on two subdomains of the chamber.





Close to the injector (A), two modes (M0 and M1) evolve at the same frequency but different wavelength.





One mode is associated to a transverse motion due to the modulation, the other to a longitudinal modulation generated by the injection lines.



Spatial DMD separated to physical phenomena taking place at the same frequency but with different wavelength.

## Conclusion

One of the challenge in combustion is to predict the pressure evolution in the chamber.

To reduce low order models, we need to understand the couplings taking place at different time and space scales.

modes



Decomposition methods allow to separate time scales and space scales then simplify the understanding and the modeling.

By adapting the decomposition strategy to the case of study, relevant information can be extracted.