Improved Determination of Soot Mass Emissions from Aircraft Turbine Engines Using Particle Effective Density

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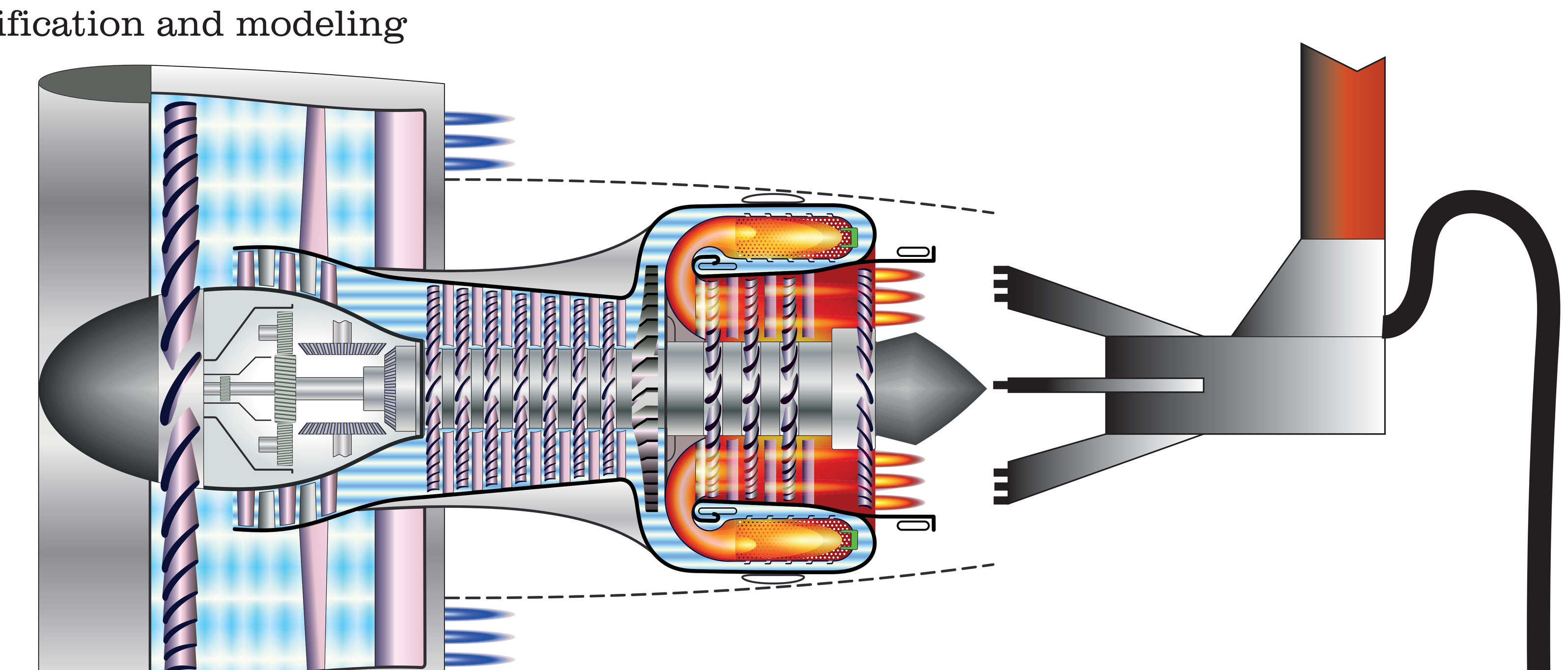
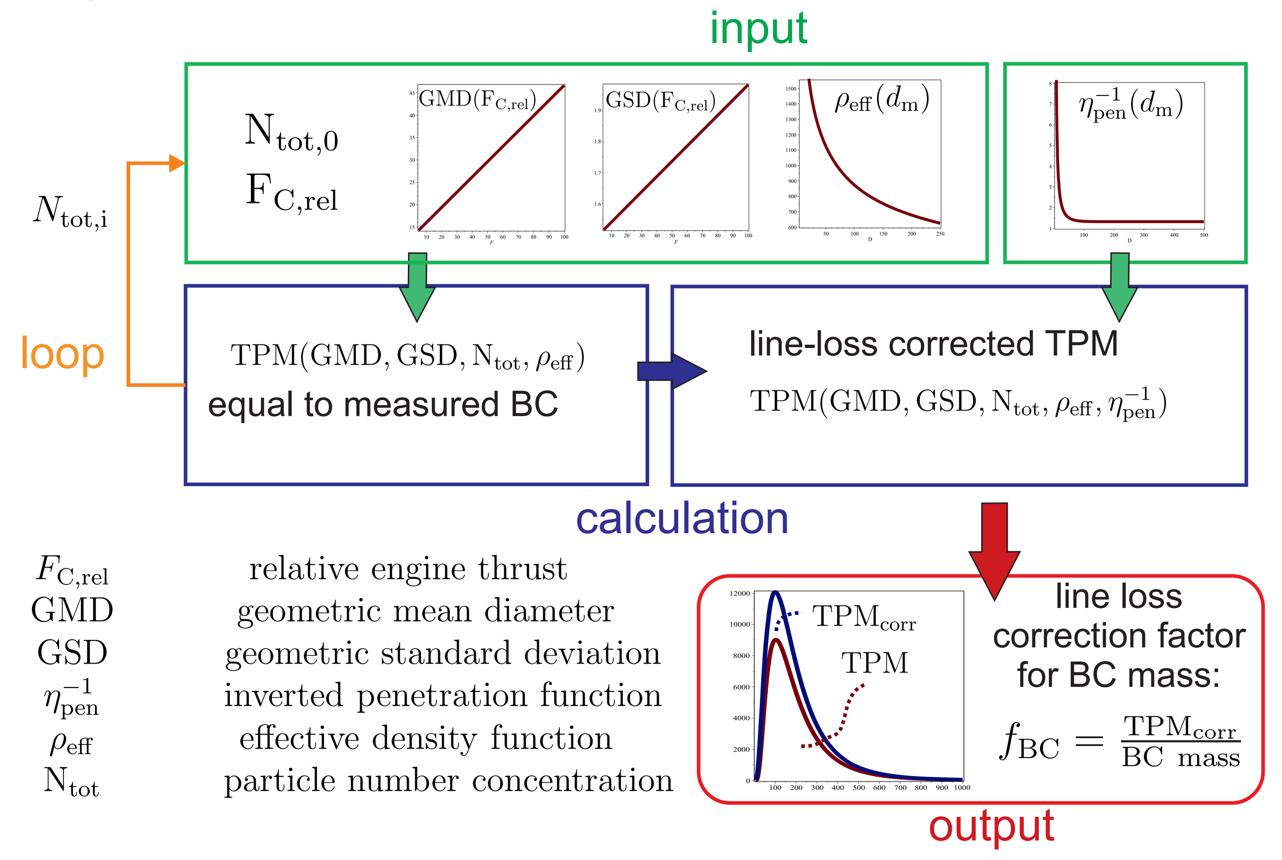
Introduction

- aerosol sample is drawn from the engine exit plane to the instruments through more than 30 m long sample lines
- particles stick to the tube walls due to diffusional and thermophoretic effects
- first principle model predicts well the particle transport efficiency in terms of particle number concentration
- PM mass losses are more complicated - particle effective density changes with size
- a reliable estimate of the PM at the engine plane essential for the emissions quantification and modeling



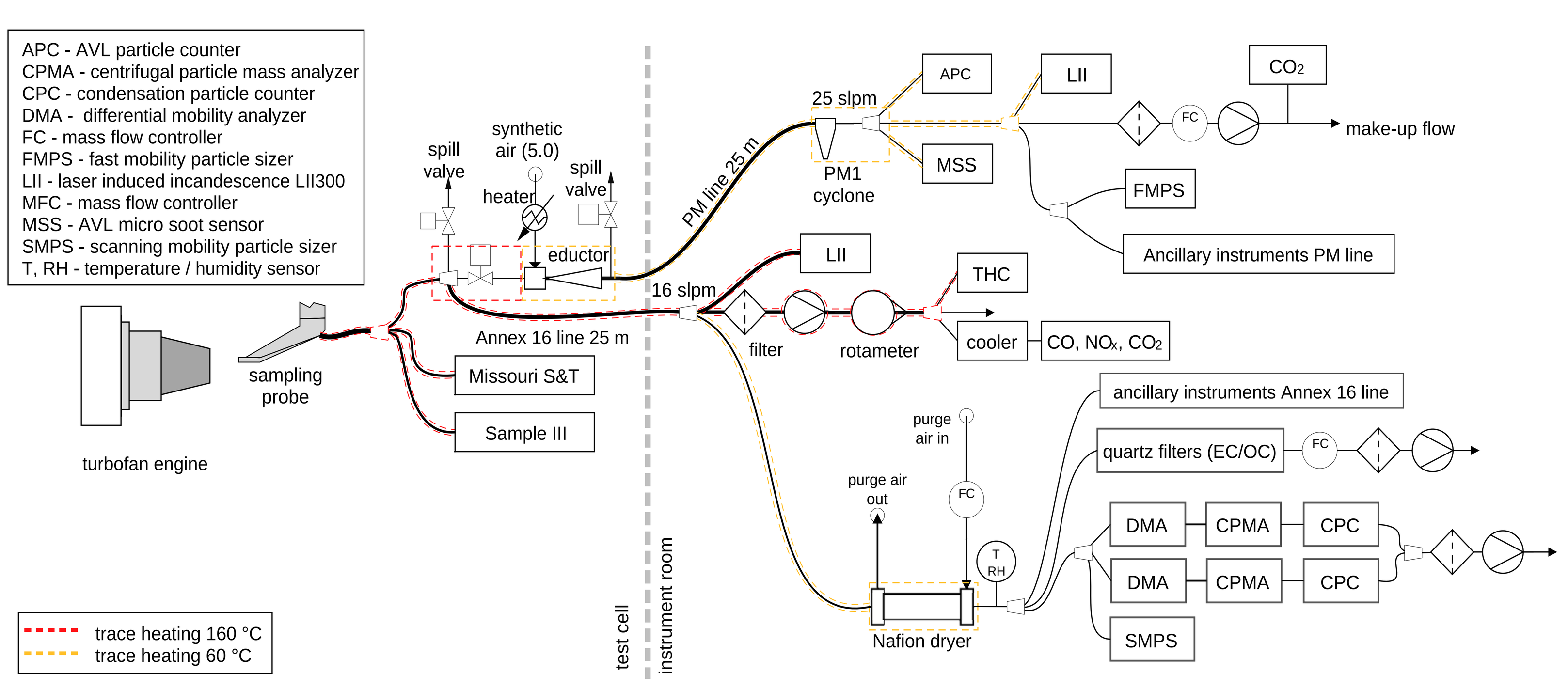
Method

- measure non-volatile PM mass (equivalent / refractory black carbon; BC)
- measure particle size distributions (PSD)
- fit lognormal distributions and find dependence on engine thrust
- determine effective density distributions from mass-mobility measurements
- model the particle transport efficiency from the probe tip to the instruments
- iterate the PM mass derived from the lognormal PSD model and the effective density distributions until it is equal to the measured PM mass
- correct the model PM mass distribution using the inverted penetration function
- calculate the line loss correction factor as a ratio of the corrected and uncorrected (measured) PM mass



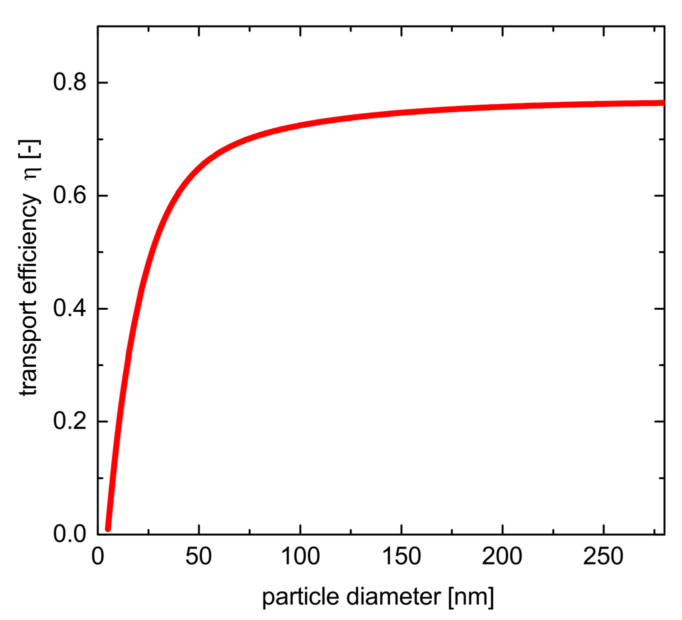
Sampling and measurement

- CFM56-7B26/3 engine (Boeing 737, Airbus A320) tested in an engine test cell over the entire thrust range from idle to maximum power
- primary PM measurements on the diluted line (factor ~10:1; PM line)
- ancillary PM measurements on the undiluted line (Annex 16 line)
- up to 3 systems built to the same standard[1] were deployed in parallel



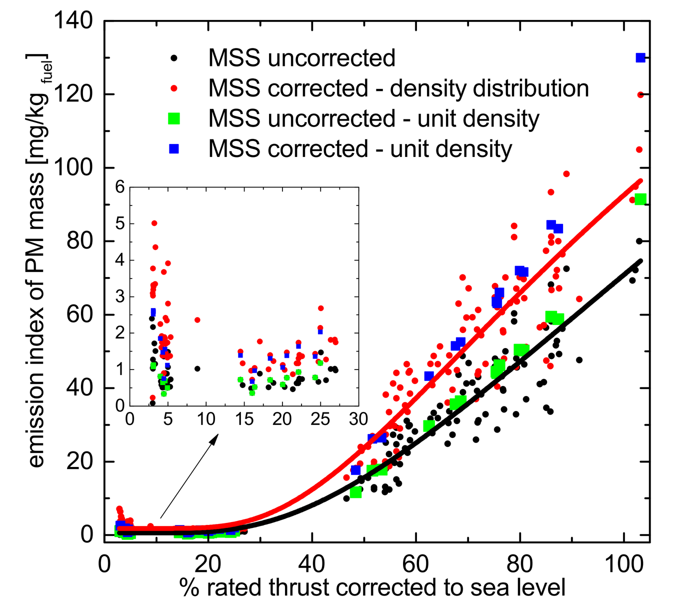
Particle transport model

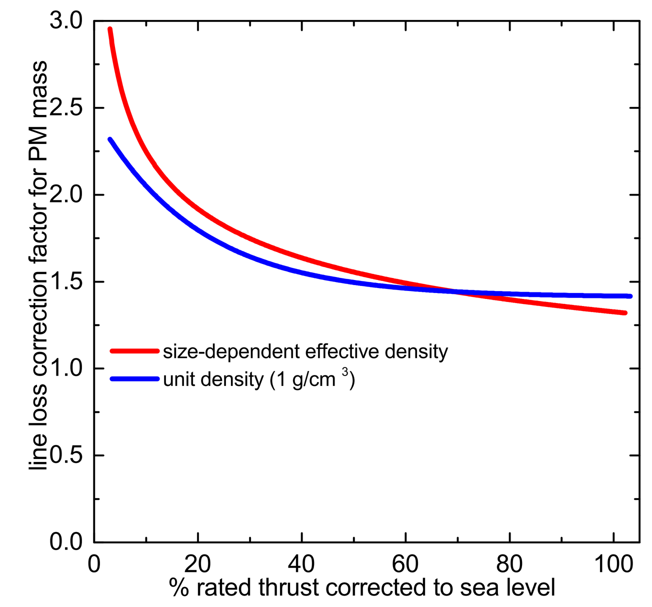
- UTRC particle transport tool[2] uses basic aerosol mechanics theory for particle transport efficiency prediction in the aircraft exhaust sample lines



Results and outlook

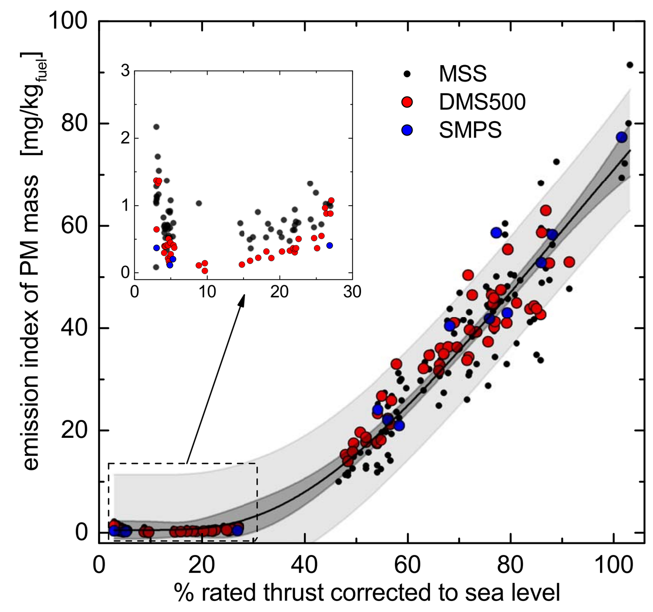
- line loss correction factor for PM mass ranged from 2.75 at engine idle to 1.35 at maximum power conditions using the size-dependent effective density
- the unit density assumption provided a similar range of correction factors, but might have overestimated the losses at high thrust as well as underestimated at low thrust
- probe inlet temperature needs to be measured for a more accurate thermophoretic loss prediction
- future work will focus on intercomparison with models that do not use measured effective density and particle size





Total PM mass (TPM) and measured BC mass

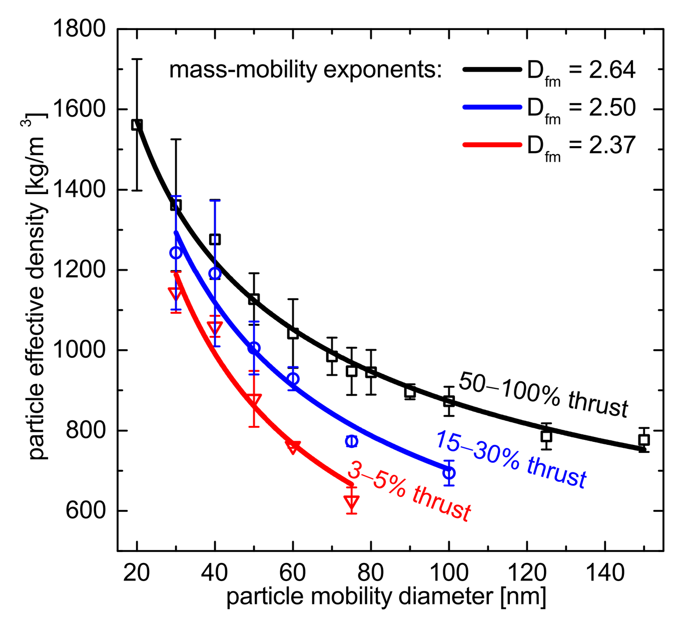
- TPM calculated from the effective density distributions and PSD agreed with the BC mass measured by the MSS

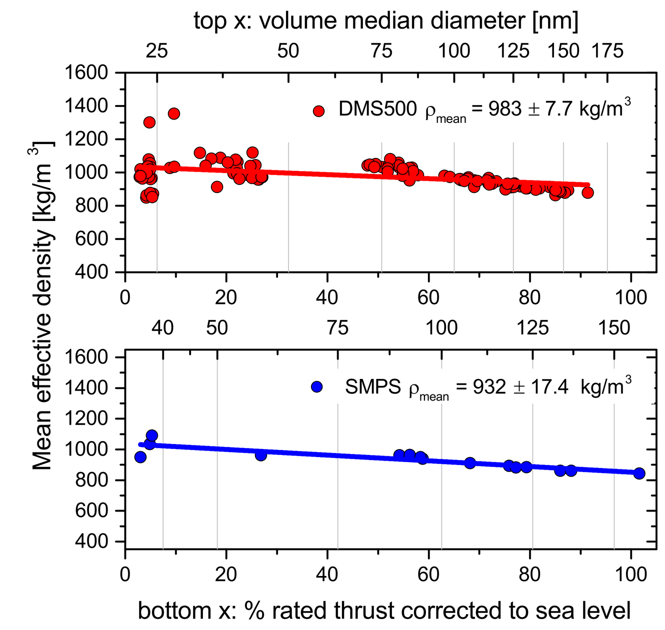


$$TPM_{\mathrm{PSD\ instrument}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} n_i \frac{\pi D_{p,i}^3}{6} \rho_{\mathrm{eff}}(D_{p,i})$$

Effective density: distributions and mean

- power law fits of experimental data (CPMA mass over mobility equivalent volume)
- increase with engine thrust: primary particle size growth and change of the internal structure from amorphous to crystalline (Liati et al., 2014, submitted to Env. Sci. Technol.)
- mean effective density decreased with engine thrust (GMD shifted to larger diameter particles that have lower effective density)
- could be approximated as unit deniosty (1000 kg/m³) for this engine

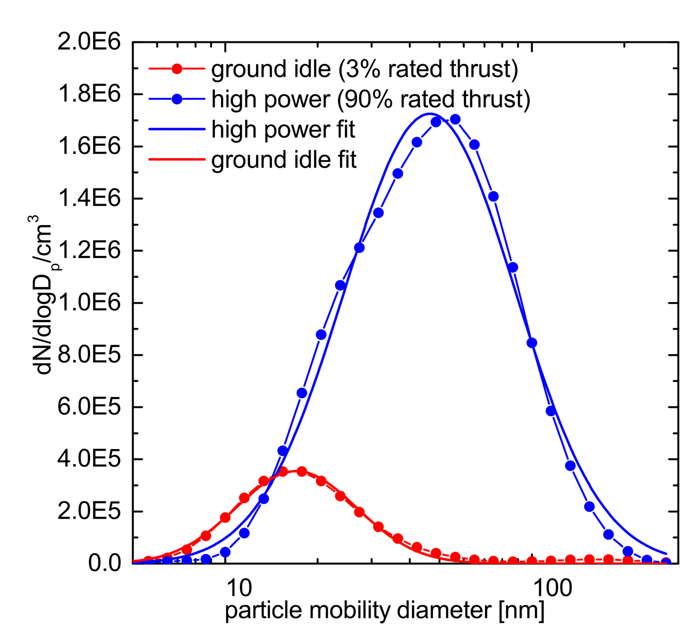


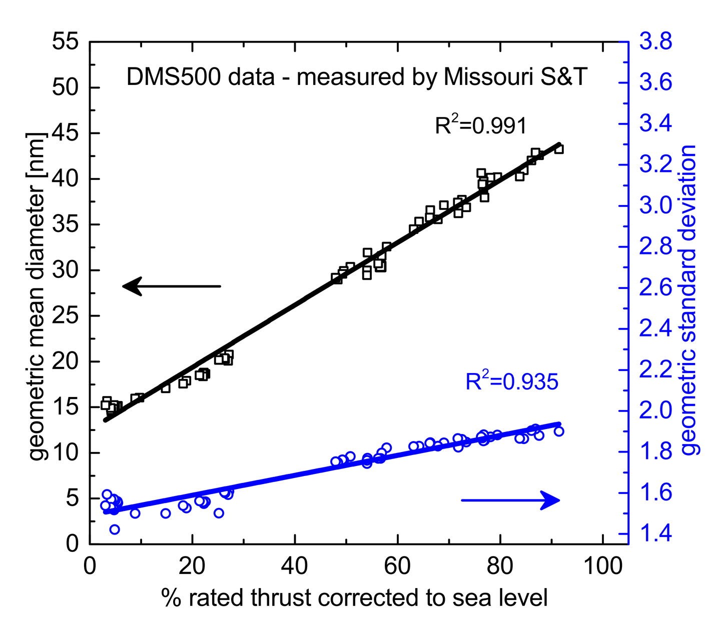


$$\rho_{\mathrm{eff}} = C_\rho d_{\mathrm{m}}^{(D_{\mathrm{fm}}-3)} \qquad \rho_{\mathrm{mean}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} n_i \frac{\pi D_{p,i}^3}{6} \rho_{\mathrm{eff}}(D_{p,i})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} n_i \frac{\pi D_{p,i}^3}{6}}$$

Particle size distribution

- Geometric mean diameter (GMD) and the geometric standard deviation (GSD) determined from the lognormal fits increased linearly with engine thrust





$$\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}\log D_{\mathrm{p}}} = \frac{N_{\mathrm{tot}} \ln 10}{\sqrt{2\pi} \ln \mathrm{GSD}} e^{-\frac{(\ln D_{\mathrm{p}} - \ln \mathrm{GMD})^2}{2 \ln^2 \mathrm{GSD}}}$$

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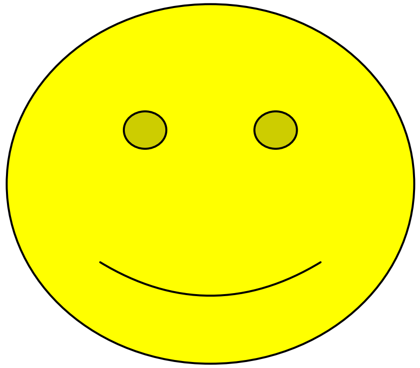

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