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Asymmetric and Variable Cell Geometry Diesel Particulate Filters

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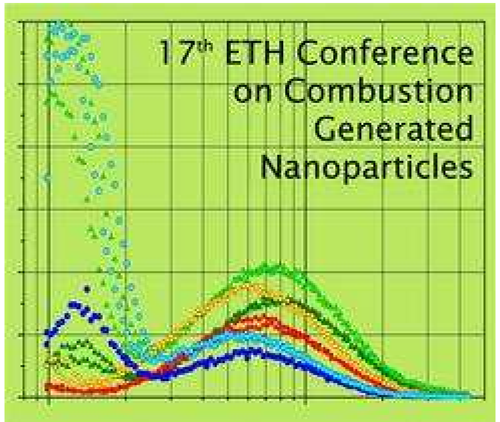

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- **Theoretical Analysis**
  Pressure drop and soot deposit growth
- **Validation with Experiments**
- **Conclusions**

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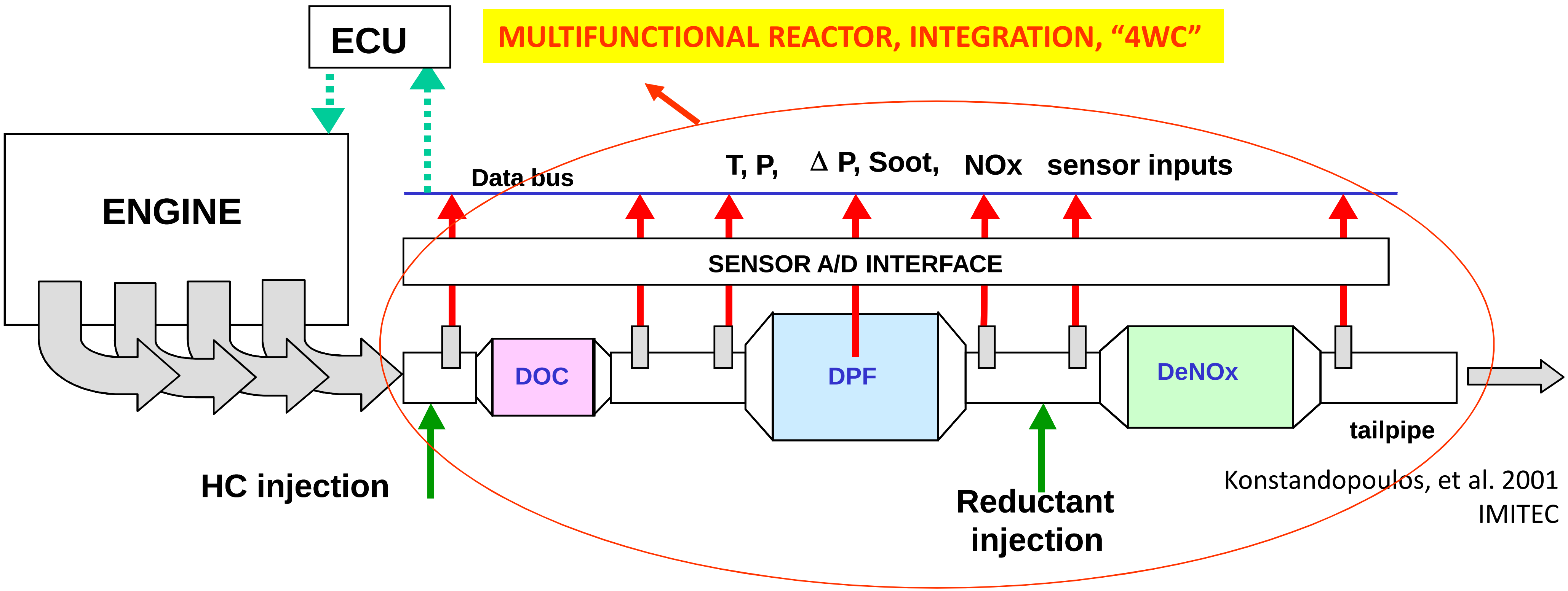
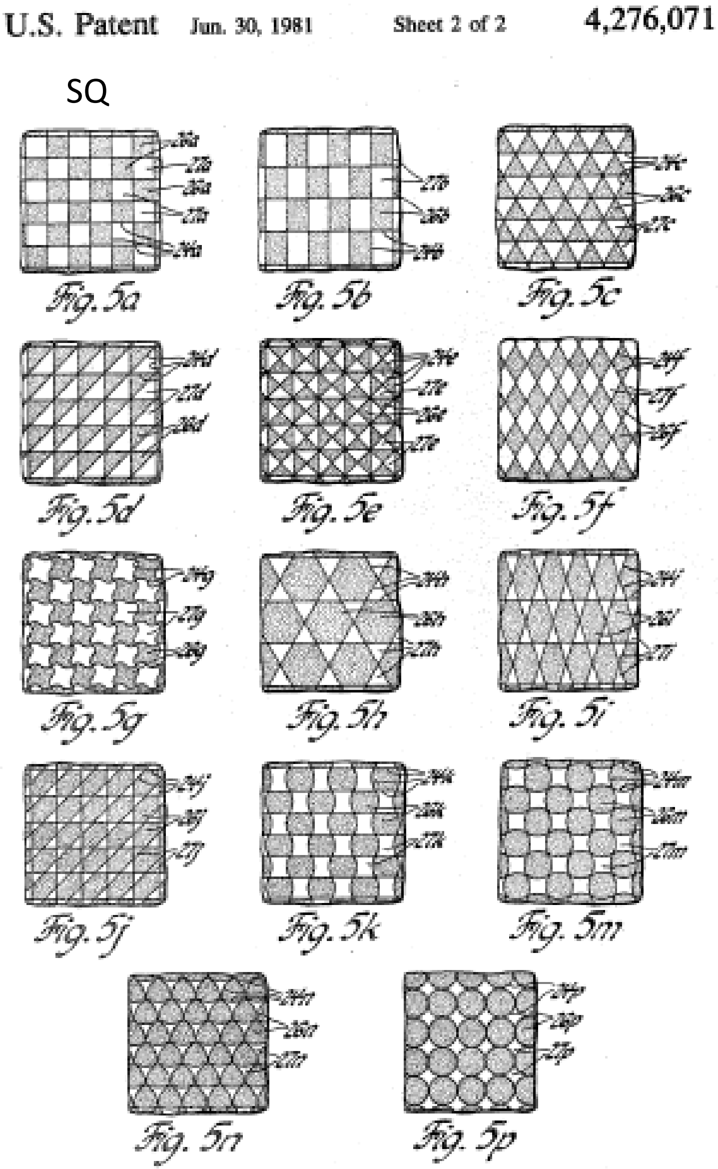


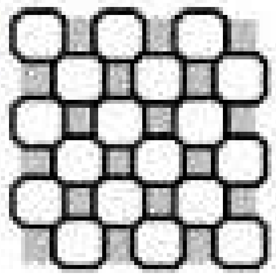
- **Adding devices** = more pressure drop, more space in system layout
- **Increasing catalyst loads** = more pressure drop, less space in device
  - ✓ Optimization requires overcoming these constraints
  - ✓ Focus on **cell geometry and layout**

Evolution of DPF Cell Geometries



ASYMMETRIC DESIGNS

OS



Ogyu et al
SAE 2004-01-0949

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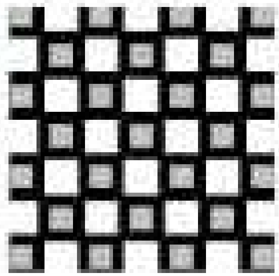

Young et al
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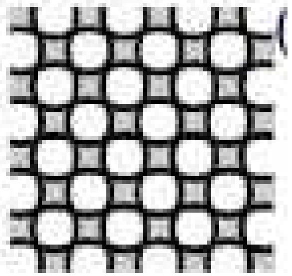
WAVY



Bardon et al
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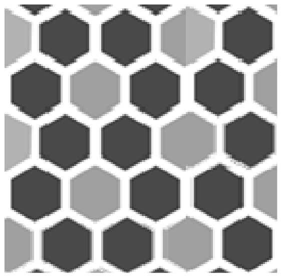

Iwasaki, et al
SAE 2012-01-0838

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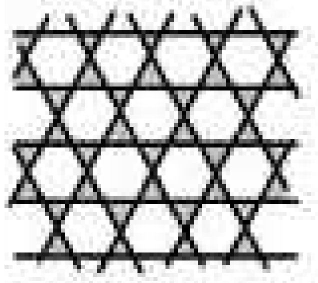

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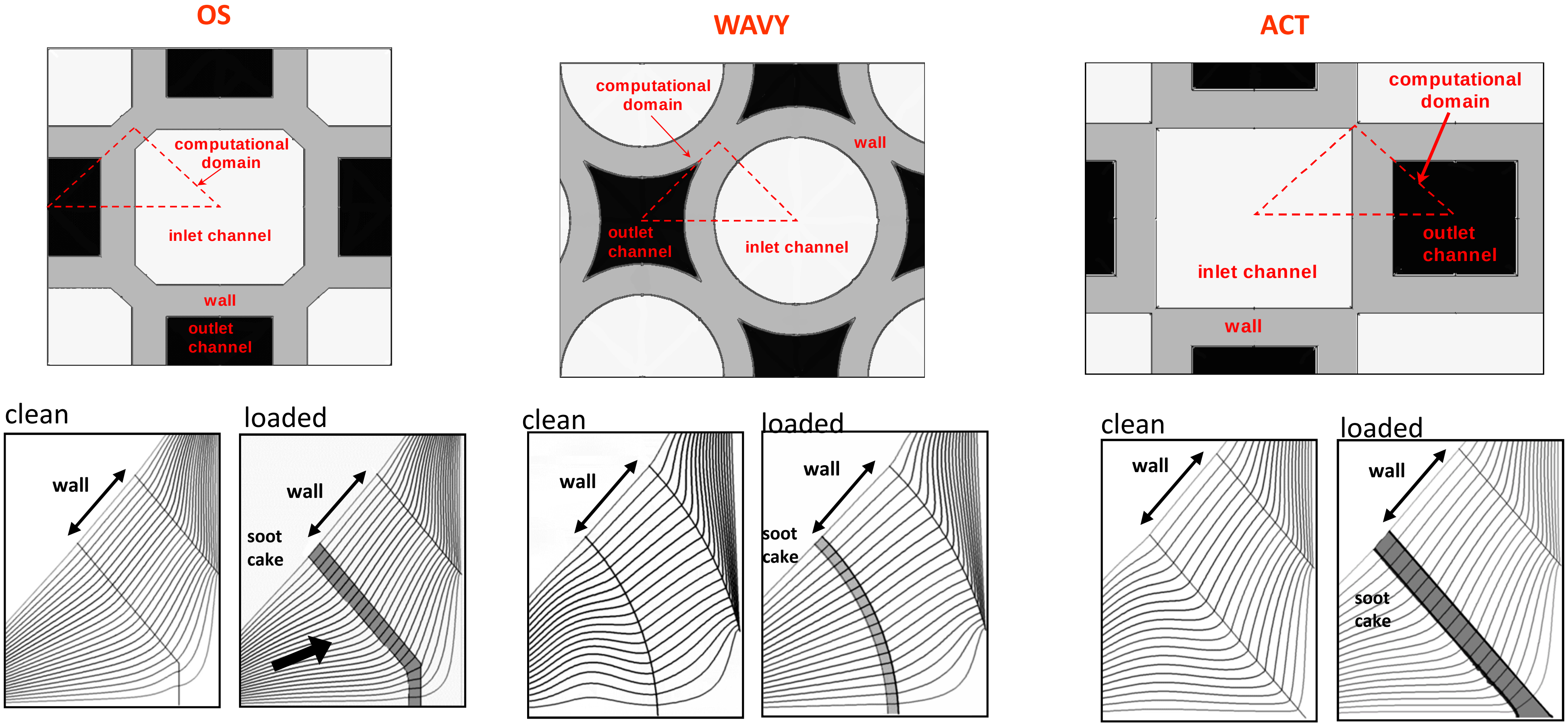
NEW DESIGNS?

Flow Re-adjustment in Asymmetric Cells

Konstandopoulos et al, SAE 2005-01-0946



- Flow continuously readjusts according to the wall resistances
- Soot deposits form on all walls

Flow Re-adjustment in Asymmetric Cells

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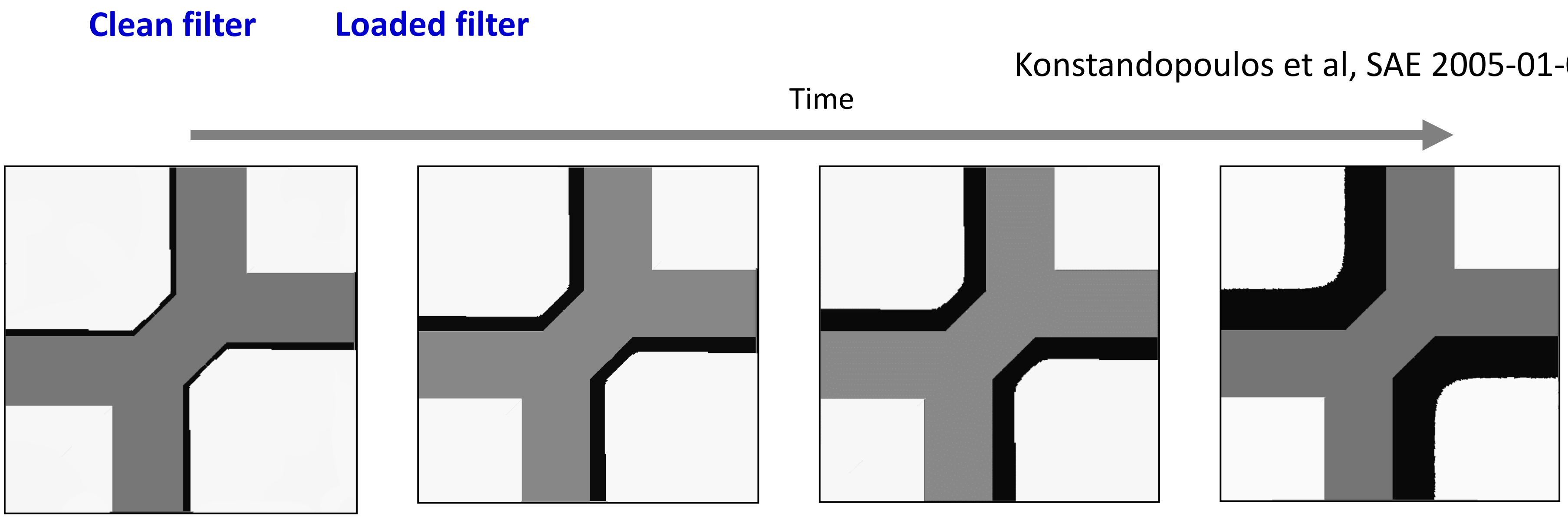


- Follow up studies (e.g. Wurzenberger et al SAE 2007-01-1137, Tang et al SAE 2009-01-127, Aravelli et al 2007-01-0920) have addressed modeling aspects of asymmetric cell DPFs, with varying degrees of simplification.
- In all cases a *single valued "wall/filtration velocity"* is adopted without explicit considerations of additional flow paths over the cell geometry.

Cell Geometries Studied

Same inlet and outlet cell

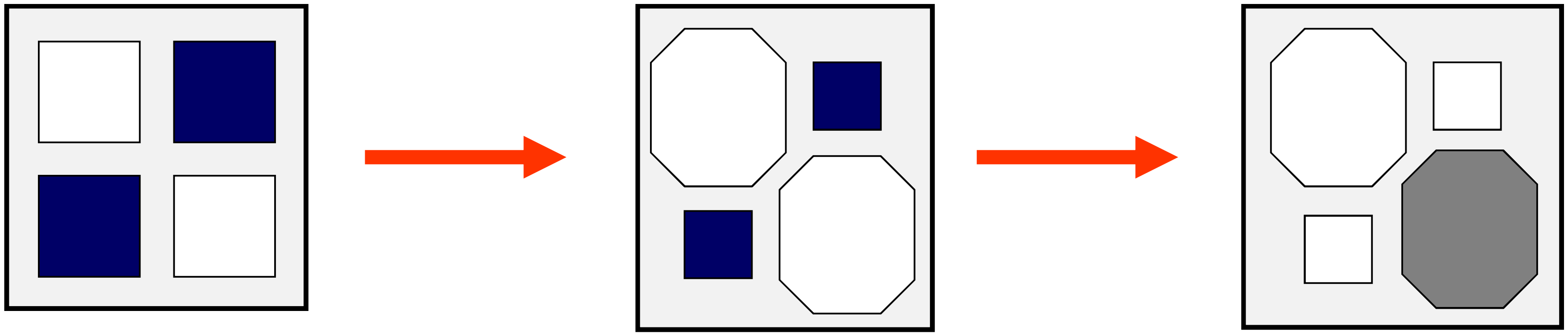
1 type of inlet
1 type of outlet cells

2 types of inlet
1 type of outlet cells

Square

Octo-Square

“Valuable Plugging Layout”



SQ

OS

Ogyu et al
SAE 2004-01-0949

VPL

Nakamura et al
SAE 2014-01-1512

General model for VPL which can be reduced to one for OS

Model Formulation: Two Types of Inlet Channels-1

Exhaust gas mass balances for each channel (1, 2, 3)

$$A_1 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial z} = -\Pi_1 v_{w12} - \Pi_1 v_{w13} - \Pi_2 v_{w2}$$

$$A_2 \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial z} = \Pi_1 v_{w12} - \Pi_1 v_{w23} - \Pi_3 v_{w3}$$

$$A_3 \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial z} = \Pi_1 v_{w13} + \Pi_2 v_{w2} + \Pi_1 v_{w23} + \Pi_3 v_{w3}$$

where u_1, u_2, u_3 are the cross section averaged velocities

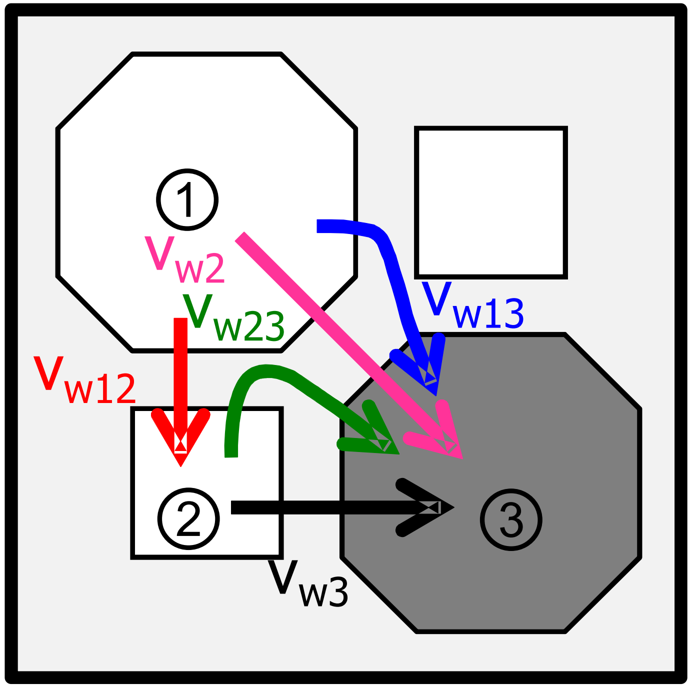
Axial Momentum Balances for each channel (1, 2, 3)

$$\frac{\partial P_1}{\partial z} = -\alpha_1(t)\mu u_1 \frac{A_1}{A_{1t}(t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial P_2}{\partial z} = -\alpha_2(t)\mu u_2 \frac{A_2}{A_{2t}(t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial P_3}{\partial z} = -\alpha_3 \mu u_3$$

5 flow paths/velocities



Π_i: Perimeter of each channel, i

A_i : Cross section of each channel, $A_{it}(t)$: evolving area of cell

$\alpha_i(t)$: Evolving friction coefficient of each cell

Model Formulation: Two Types of Inlet Channels-2

Wall Momentum Balances (Pressure Drop through each flow path)

$$v_{w12} = \left(\frac{\mu w_{s1} k_w}{k_w} + \frac{\mu(w_{12} + w_{21})}{k_s}\right)^{-1} (P_1 - P_2)$$

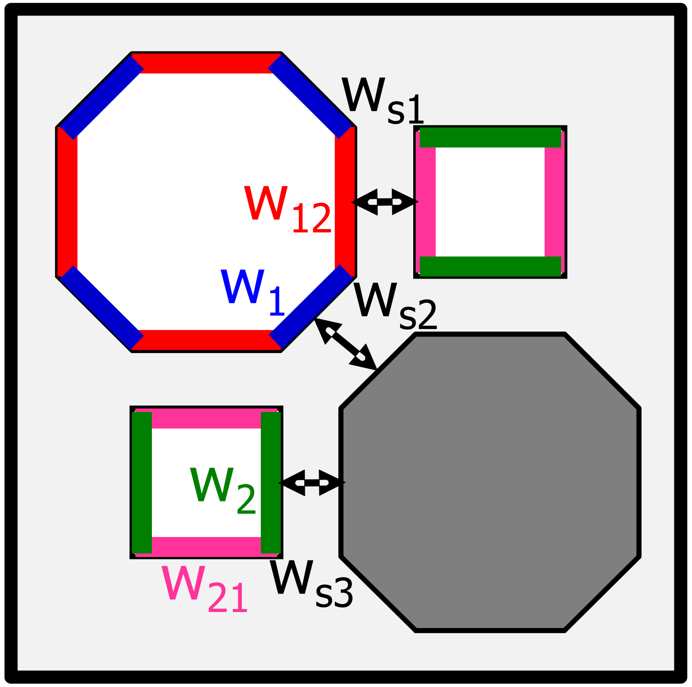
$$v_{w13} = \left(\frac{\mu w_{eff}}{k_w} + \frac{\mu w_{12}}{k_s}\right)^{-1} (P_1 - P_3)$$

(8)

$$v_{w2} = \left(\frac{\mu w_{s2}}{k_w} + \frac{\mu w_1}{k_s}\right)^{-1} (P_1 - P_3)$$

$$v_{w3} = \left(\frac{\mu w_{s3}}{k_w} + \frac{\mu w_2}{k_s}\right)^{-1} (P_2 - P_3)$$

$$v_{w23} = \left(\frac{\mu w_{eff}}{k_w} + \frac{\mu w_{21}}{k_s}\right)^{-1} (P_2 - P_3)$$



w_{eff}: is determined by a separate flow problem over the wall cross-section

Model Formulation: Two Types of Inlet Channels-3

Soot Deposits Evolution

$$\frac{\partial w_{12}}{\partial t} = \frac{v_{w1}\rho_g \varphi_1}{\rho_s}$$

$$\frac{\partial w_{21}}{\partial t} = \frac{\Omega(-v_{w12} + v_{w23})\rho_g \varphi_2}{\rho_s}$$

$\Omega(x)=x$ for $x>0$ and $\Omega(x)=0$ for $x\leq 0$.

$$\frac{\partial w_1}{\partial t} = \frac{v_{w2}\rho_g \varphi_1}{\rho_s}$$

$$\frac{\partial w_2}{\partial t} = \frac{v_{w3}\rho_g \varphi_2}{\rho_s}$$

Cell cross-section evolution

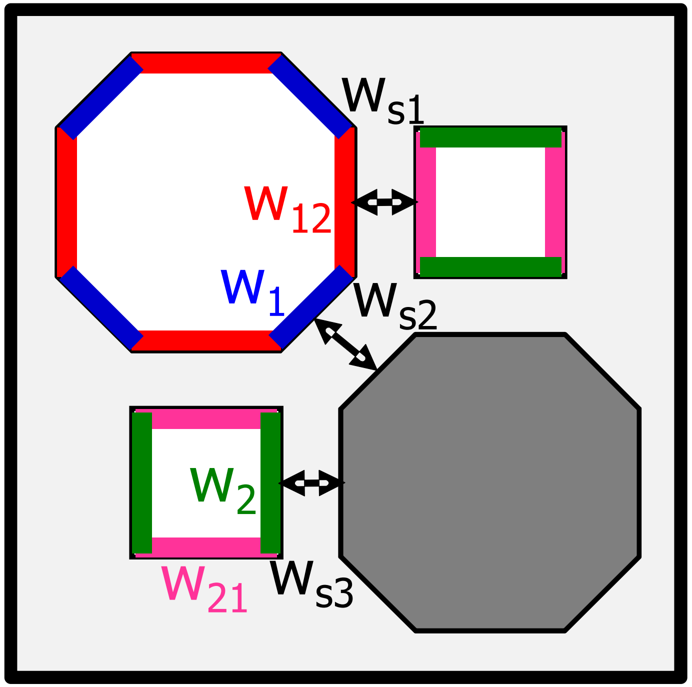
$$A_{1t}(t) = A_1 - \Pi_1 w_1 - \Pi_2 w_2$$

$$A_{2t}(t) = A_2 - \Pi_1 w_{r1} - \Pi_3 w_3$$

Boundary conditions

$P_3=P_{atm}$ at $z=L$,
$A_1u_1+A_2u_2=(A_1+A_2)u_o$,
$\varphi_1=\varphi_2=\varphi_{in}$ at $z=0$

where
u_o is the average inlet velocity
ϕ_{in} is the inlet soot mass fraction.



Soot Transport and Deposition

$$A_1 u_1 \frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial z} = -\varphi_1 \Pi_1 \Omega(-(v_{w12} + v_{w13}))$$

$$A_2 u_2 \frac{\partial \varphi_2}{\partial z} = -\varphi_2 \Pi_2 U(v_{w12} - v_{w23})$$

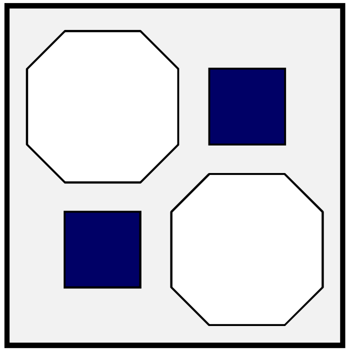
$\phi 1,\phi 2$: the local soot mass fraction in gas phase

Solution procedure

- Outer initial value problem (evolution equations of the deposits) explicit intefration
- Inner boundary value problem (flow and soot transport) solved at each step of outer problem, fulfilling BC with Newton-Raphson
- Advance soot deposit thickness and evolve cross section

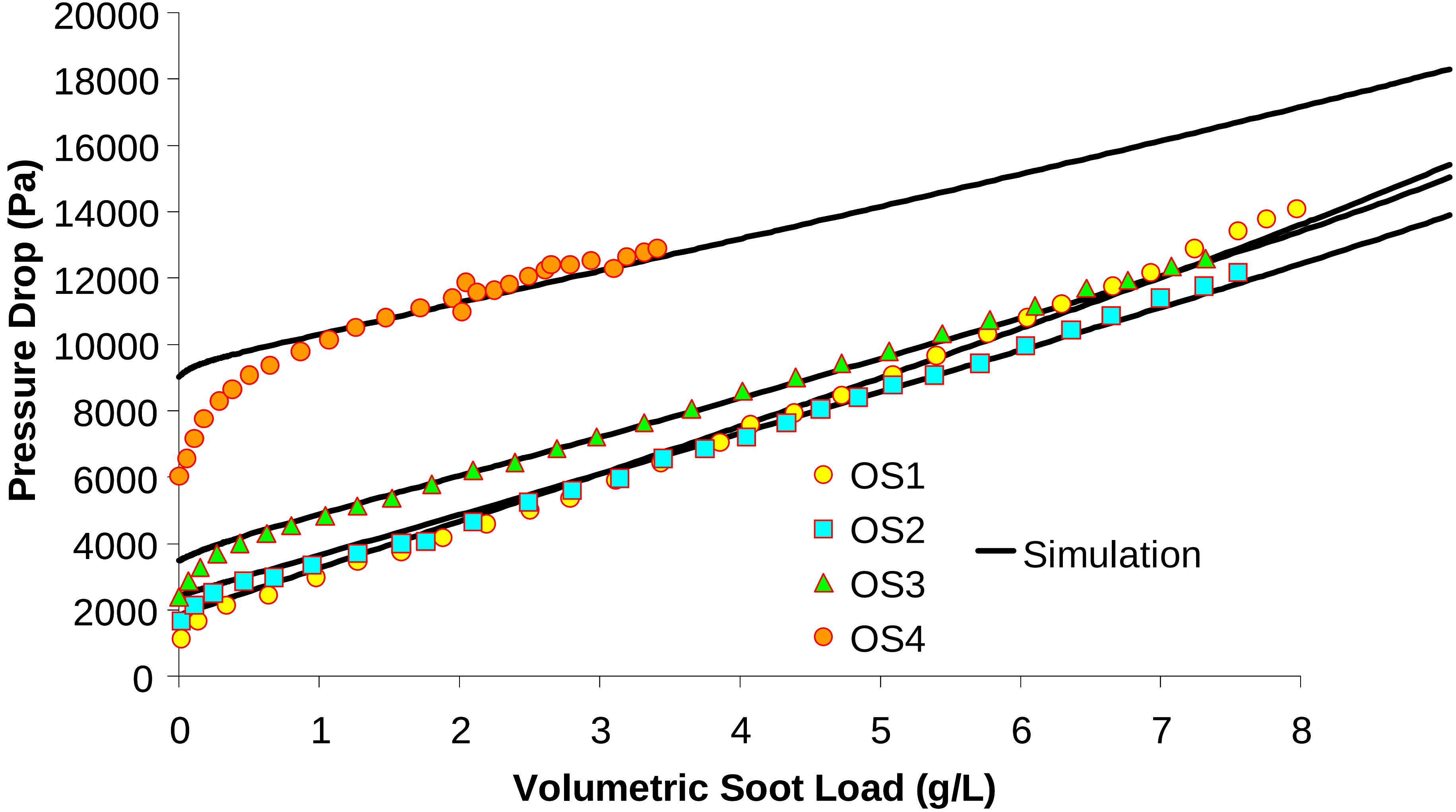
Samples Used for Validation – 4 OS DPFs

FILTER TYPE	OS	OS1	OS2	OS3	OS4
Diameter	mm	143.8	143.8	143.8	143.8
Length	mm	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0
Wall permeability (x1E12)	m^2	1.00	1.00	1.00	3.00
Oct-Sq wall thickness, w1	mm	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Oct-Oct wall thickness, w2	mm	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Oct side, C_{w1}	mm	1.77	1.96	2.17	2.44
Sq side, C_{w2}	mm	1.42	1.23	1.02	0.75

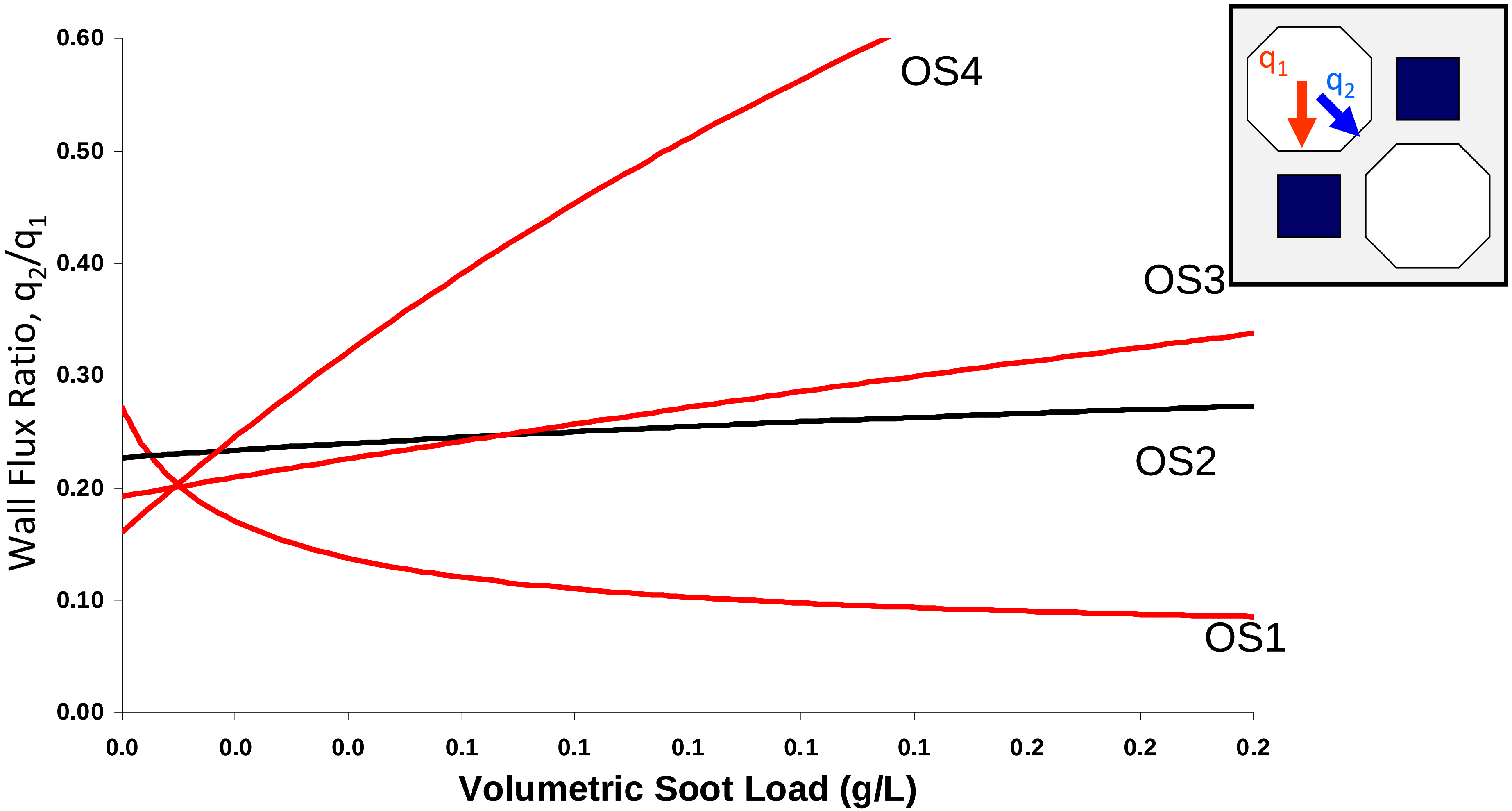


Soot loading of OS samples: Experiment and Model

Deep bed calculation not-included to see intrinsic curvature effects of Pressure Drop curve

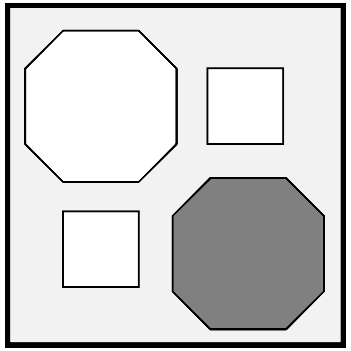


Evolution of Wall Mass-Flux Ratio: (O to O /O to S)



Samples Used for Validation – 4 VPL DPFs

FILTER TYPE	VPL	A	B	C	D
Diameter	mm	143.8	143.8	143.8	143.8
Length	mm	108.0	140.5	193.2	193.2
Wall permeability (x1E13)	m^2	4.00	4.00	3.203	3.203
Oct-Sq wall thickness, w_1	mm	0.254	0.254	0.254	0.176
Oct-Oct wall thickness, w_2	mm	0.359	0.359	0.359	0.251
Oct side, C_{w1}	mm	1.497	1.497	1.497	1.575
Sq side, C_{w2}	mm	0.962	0.962	0.962	1.039



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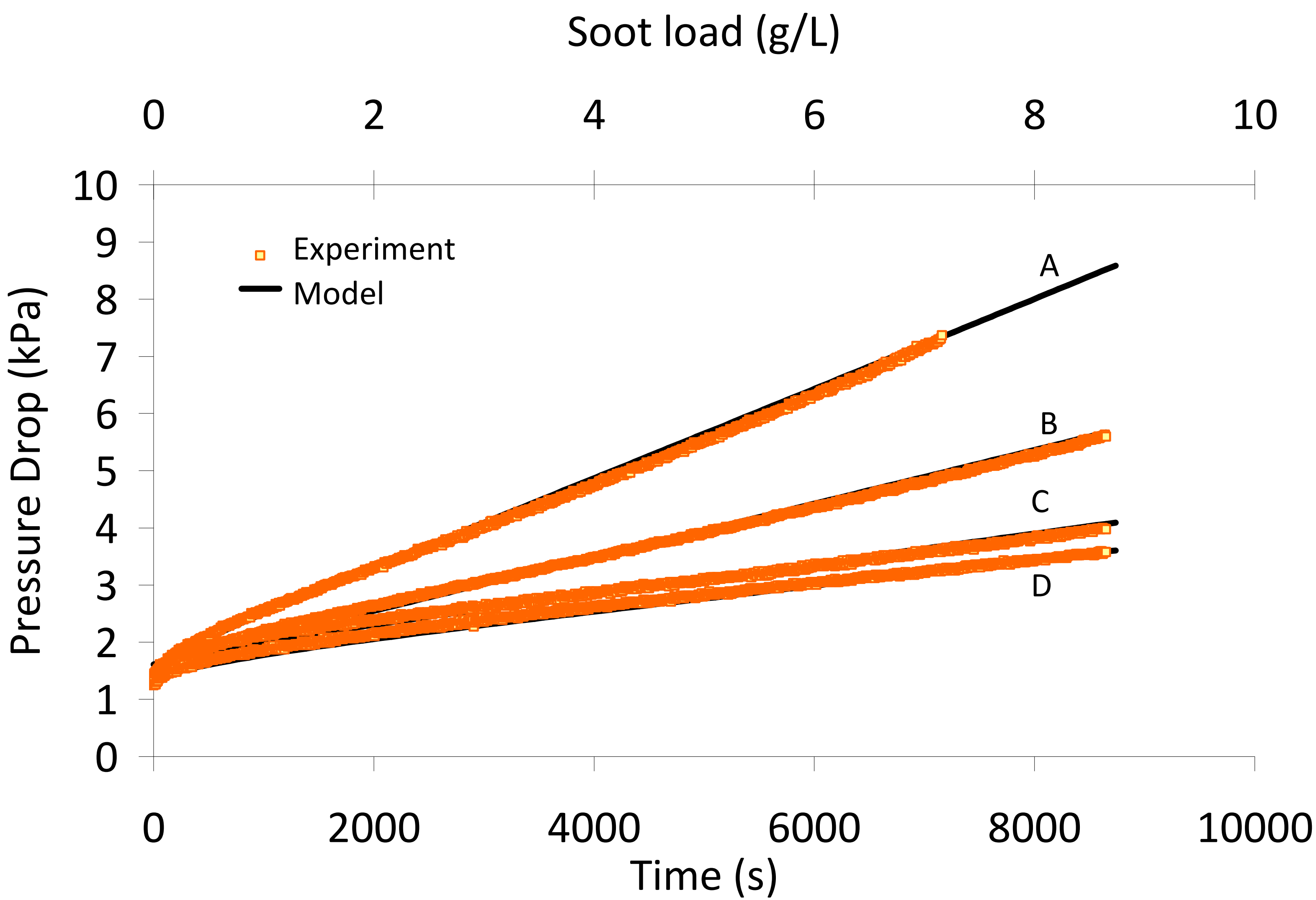

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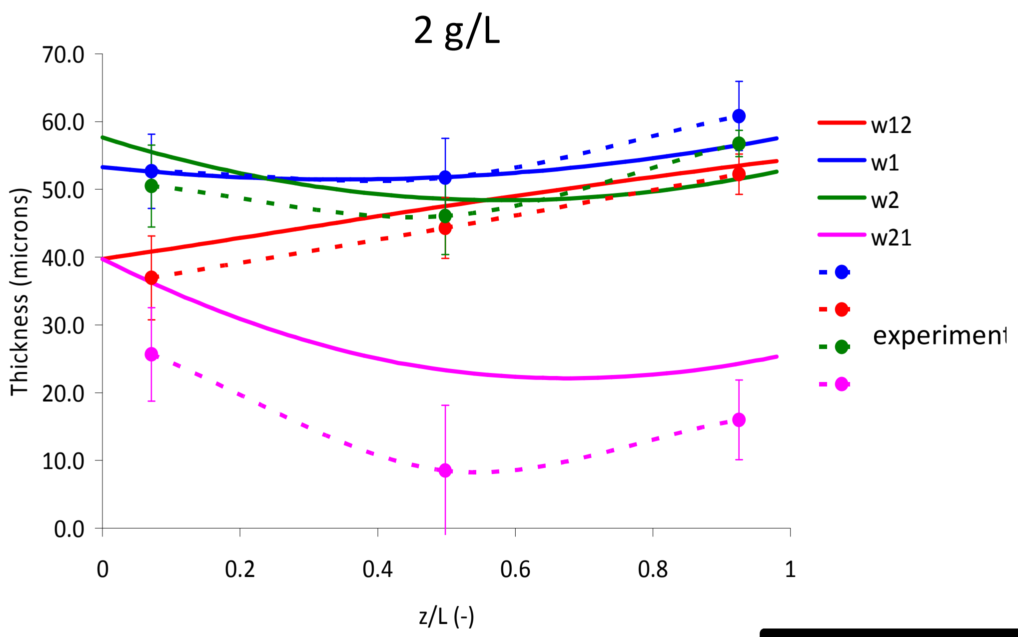
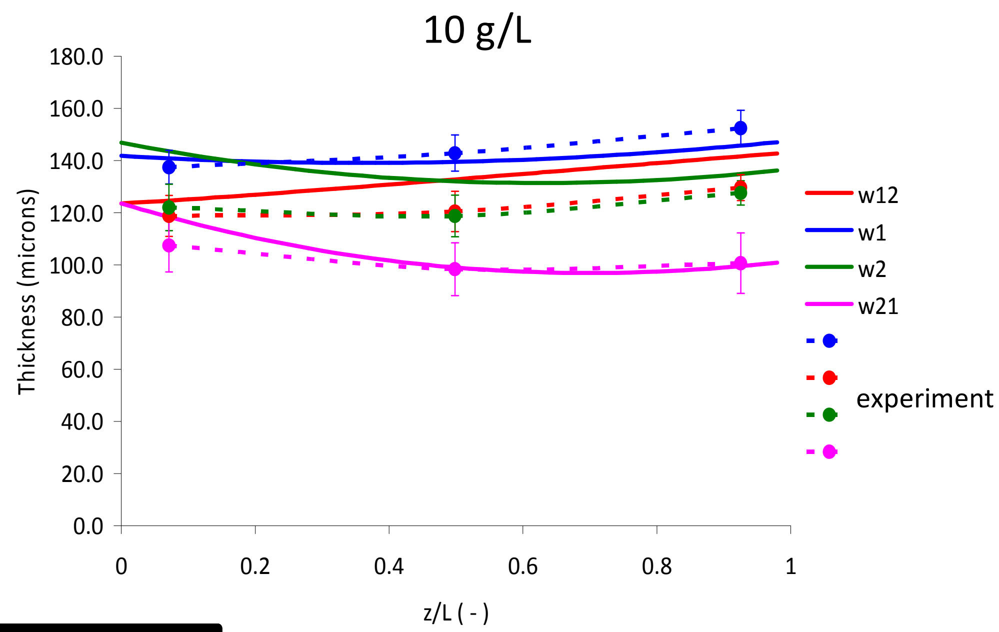
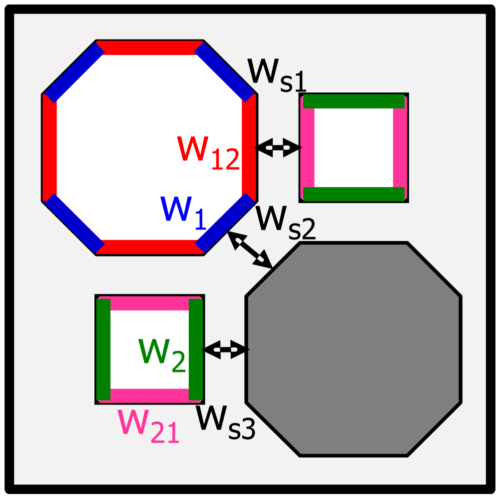
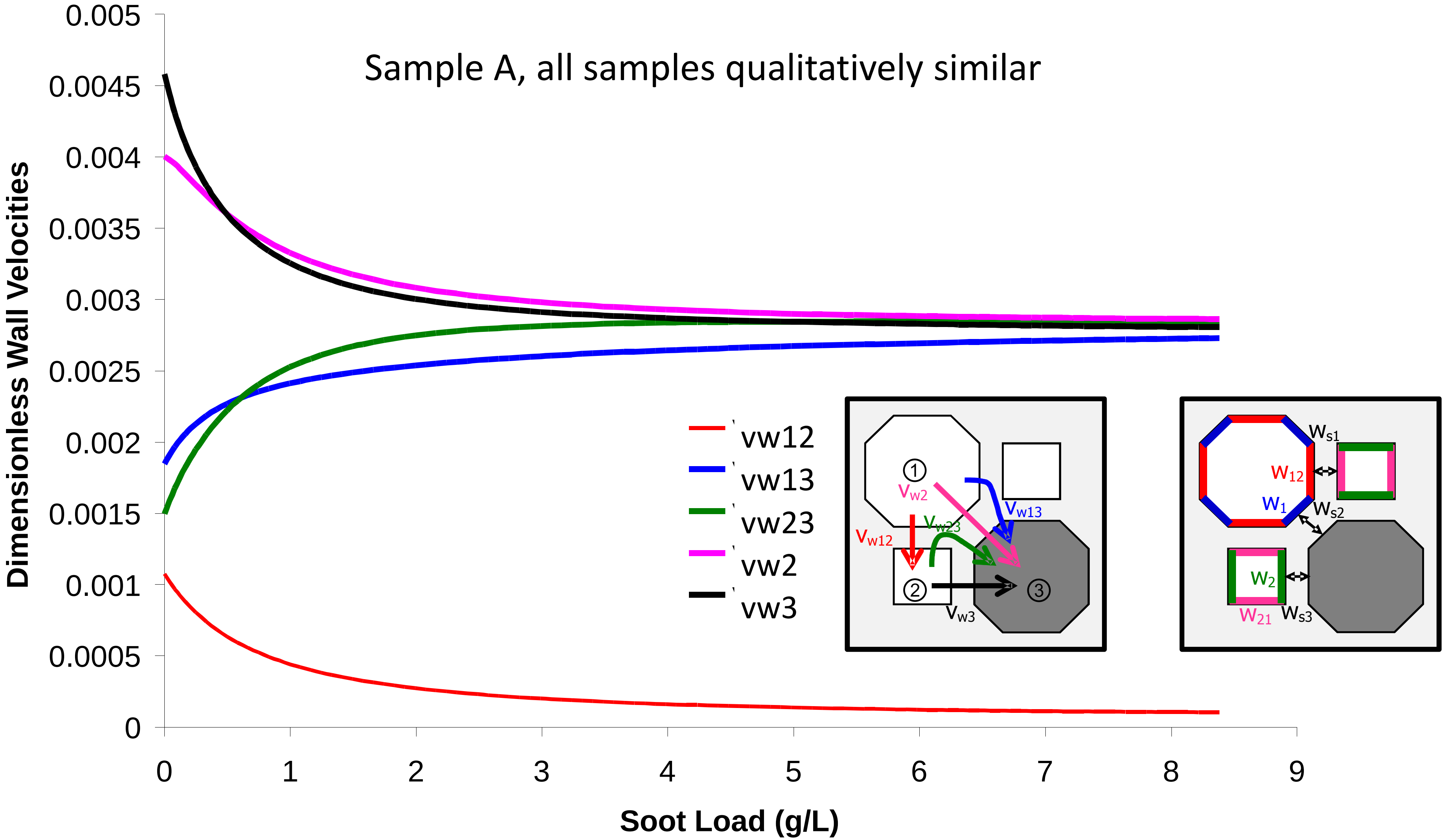




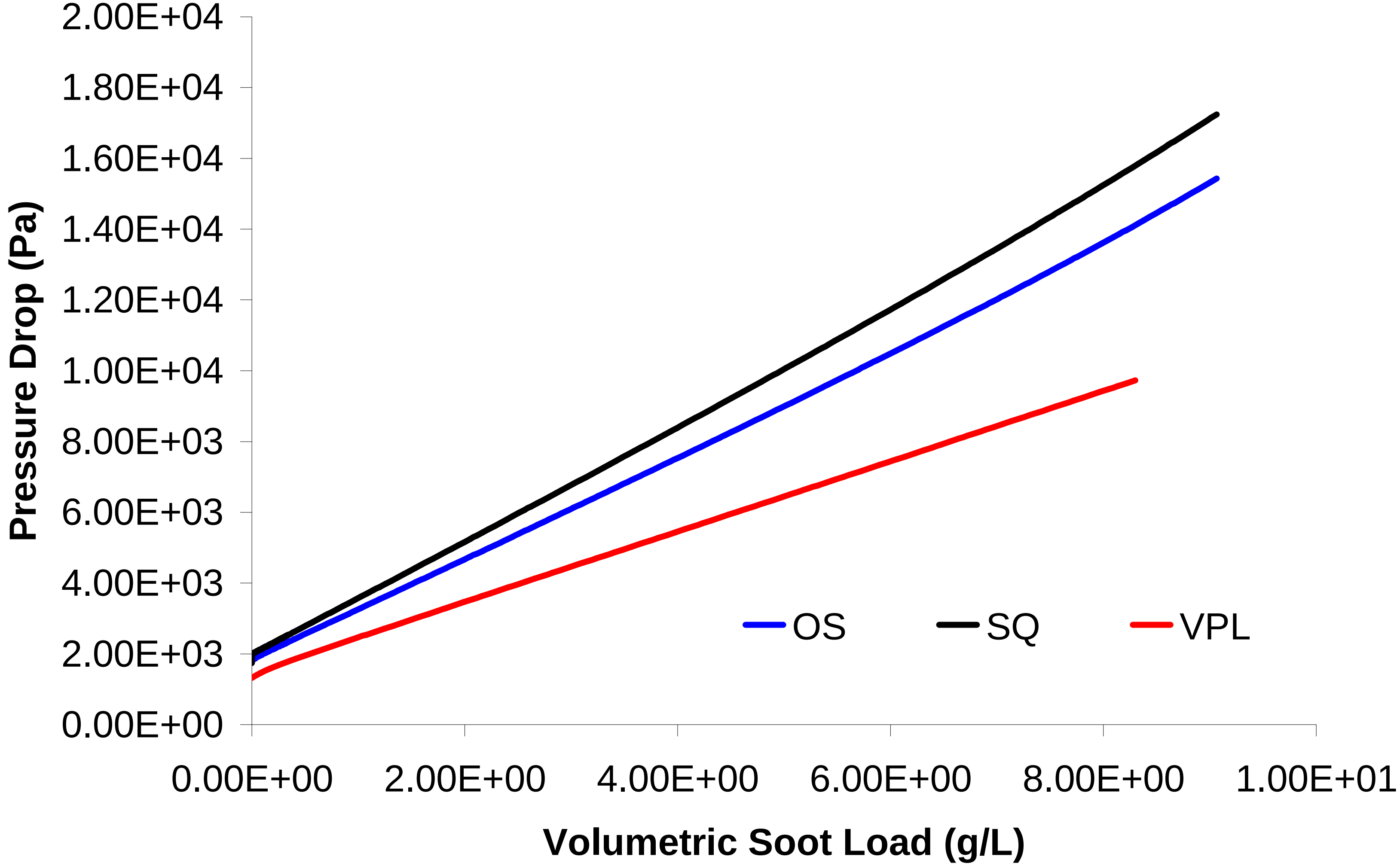


Evolution of filtration velocities in VPL DPF



Optimization of DPF designs for constant volume

All samples 2.5 L simulated at identical flow, temperature and soot concentration conditions



Conclusions

- Asymmetric and Variable Cell geometry DPFs introduce **many complexities** into the standard simulation framework of DPFs by requiring the explicit treatment of **additional flow paths** in order to properly capture the flow dynamics through the structure.

- Relevant wall fluxes and velocities have been identified and simulated. Their evolution at long times (high values of soot loafing) indicates that **in the case of OS design a constant wall flux ratio is established and can be used as a metric to select DPFs with lower pressure drops**. In the more complex case of the **VPL design a clustering of all but one filtration velocity towards a common value** is observed as a result of the complex interactions among the different flow paths.

- Pressure drop in the OS and VPL DPFs still follows **a linear evolution with respect to soot load** as the different flows through the common (inlet-inlet) and conventional (inlet-outlet) flow paths **readjust to transport and deposit the soot particles through the path of least resistance**.

- The advent of AVC DPF designs with many degrees of freedom with respect to filtration/wall velocities, **leads to DPF systems with substantially reduced pressure drop compared to the state-of-the-art**.

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