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Growth Dynamics & Microstructure of Soot Deposits in Diesel Particulate Filters

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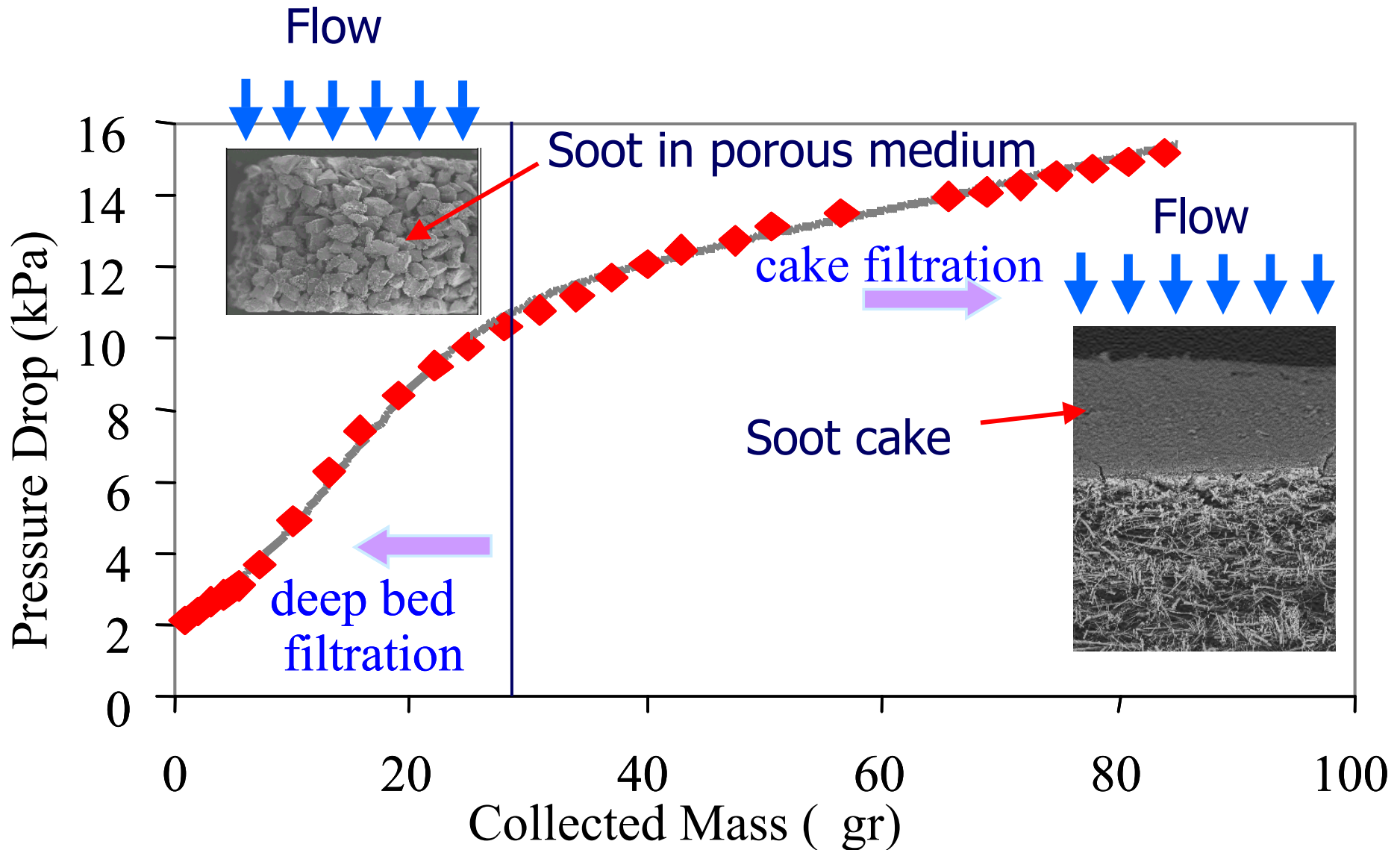
Outline

- ❖ Motivation
- ❖ Transient filtration model validation for cordierite, SiC, woven, non-woven & gradient porosity filters
- ❖ Deposit microstructure vs. Peclet number
- ❖ Application to On-Board trap soot load estimation
- ❖ Conclusions
- ❖ Future outlook

Motivation

- ❖ Soot deposit is major contributor to filter ΔP . Need to study its microstructure vs. growth mechanism
- ❖ Need reliable soot deposit (and filter) microstructural properties as input for DPF Simulators
- ❖ Develop on-board soot sensing methods in conjunction with filter management and control

Dynamics of Particle Deposition in Filters



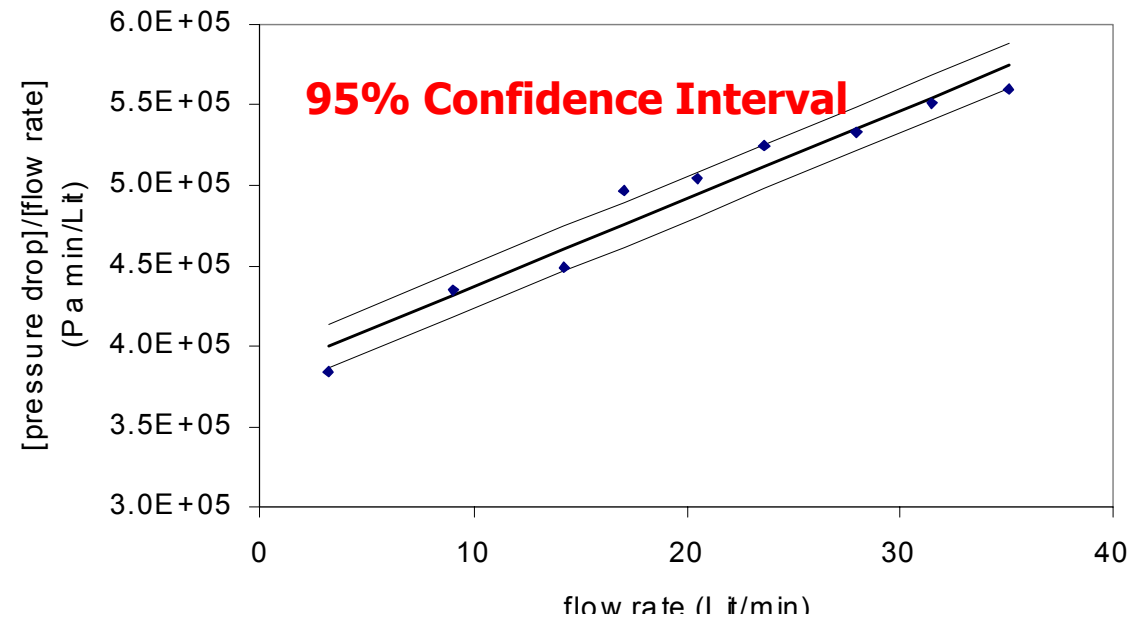
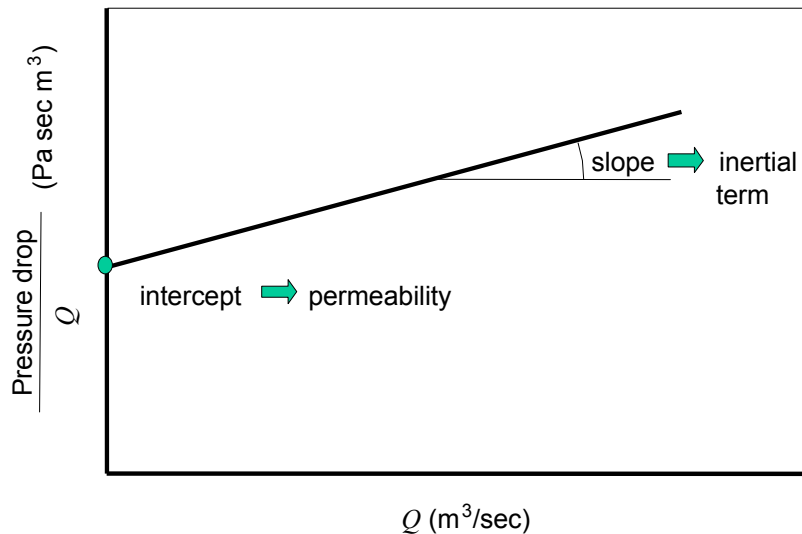
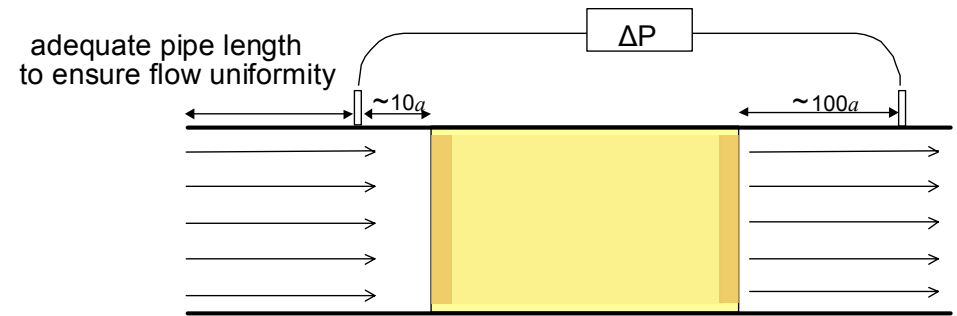
Clean Filter Flow Resistance Descriptors

Standardized Measurement Methodology (Konstandopoulos et al. 2002)

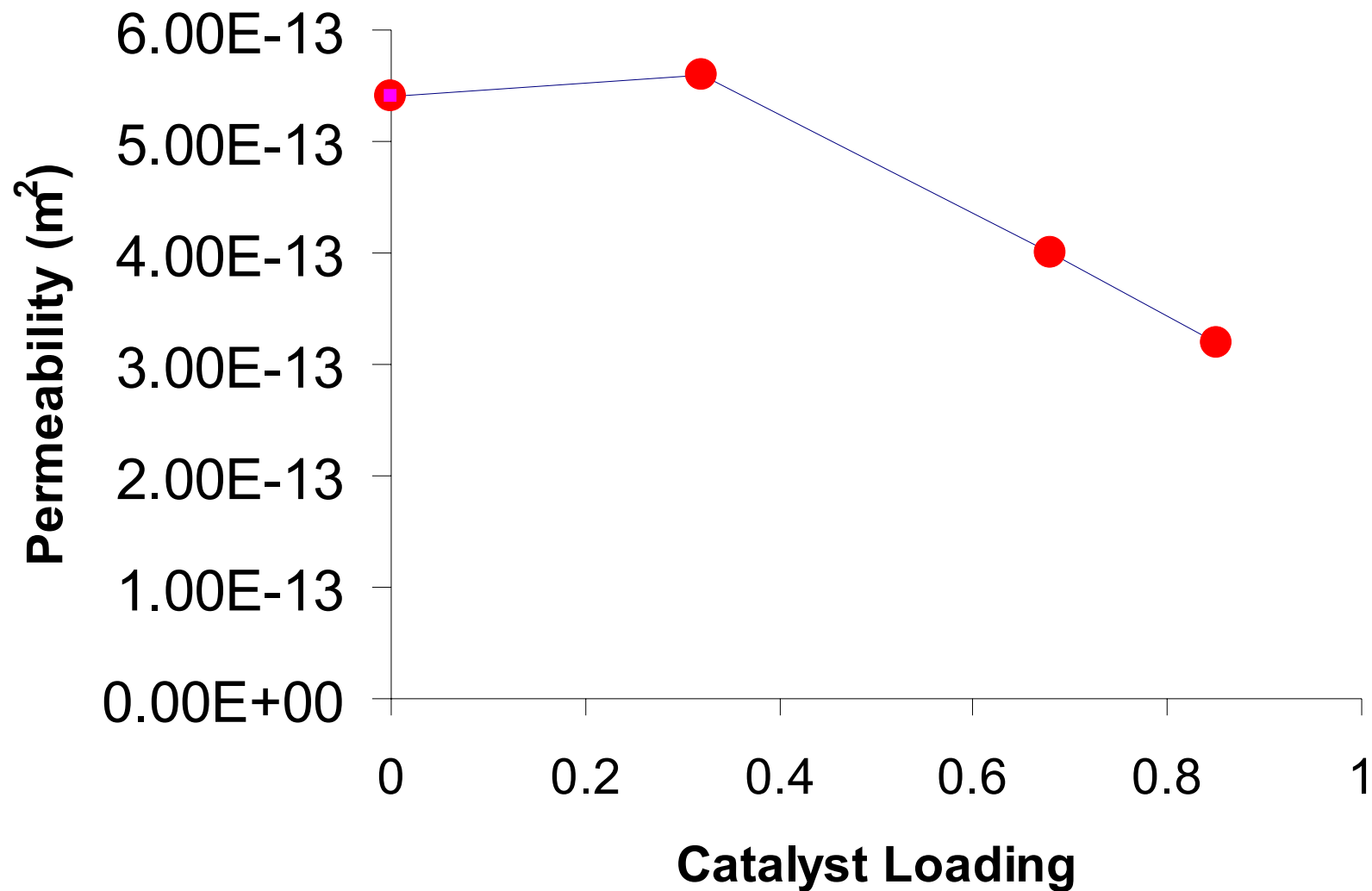
$$\Delta P = \frac{\mu Q}{2V_{trap}} (\alpha + w_s)^2 \left[\frac{w_s}{k\alpha} + \frac{8FL^2}{3\alpha^4} \right] + \frac{\rho Q^2 (\alpha + w_s)^4}{V_{trap}^2 \alpha^2} \left[\frac{\beta w_s}{4} + 2\zeta \left(\frac{L}{\alpha} \right)^2 \right]$$

$k = ?$

$\zeta = ?$

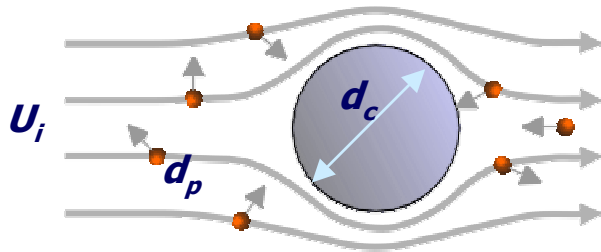


Application to characterize catalyzed DPFs

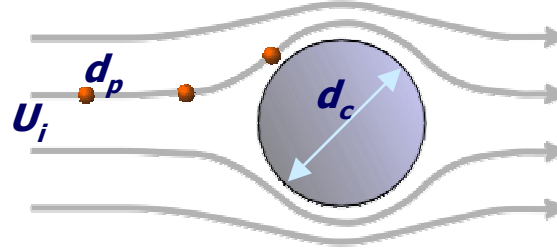


Filtration mechanisms in extruded DPFs

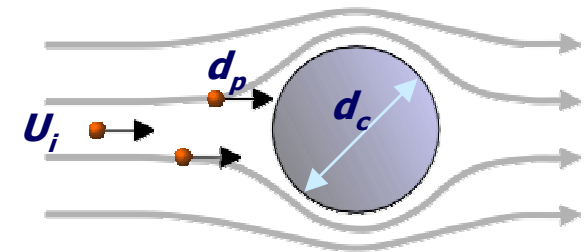
Brownian diffusion



interception



inertial impaction



Peclet number

$$Pe = \frac{U_i \cdot d_c}{D_p}$$

Particle diffusion coef.

$$D_p = \frac{k_B \cdot T}{3\pi \cdot \mu \cdot d_p} \cdot SCF$$

"pore" velocity

$$U_i = \frac{u_w}{\varepsilon}$$

**Single collector
collection efficiency
by diffusion**

$$\eta_D = 3.5 \cdot g(\varepsilon) \cdot Pe^{-2/3}$$

**Interception
parameter**

$$N_R = \frac{d_p}{d_c}$$

Exponent

$$s = \frac{3 - 2\varepsilon}{3\varepsilon}$$

**Single collector
collection efficiency
by interception**

$$\eta_R = 1.5 \cdot N_R^2 \cdot \frac{[g(\varepsilon)]^3}{(1 + N_R)^s}$$

Single grain

combined collection efficiency $\eta = \eta_D + \eta_R - \eta_D \cdot \eta_R$

Filtration mechanisms in fibrous DPFs

Single collector collection efficiency by diffusion

$$\eta_D = 2.7 \cdot Pe^{-\frac{2}{3}} \left(1 + 0.39 \cdot h(\varepsilon, Kn)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \cdot Pe^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot Kn \right) + 0.624 \cdot Pe^{-1}$$

Single collector collection efficiency by interception

$$\eta_R = \frac{1}{2h(\varepsilon, Kn)} \left[\frac{1}{(1 + N_R)} - (1 + N_R) + 2(1 + N_R) \ln(1 + N_R) + 2.86 \cdot Kn \frac{(2 + N_R)N_R}{(1 + N_R)} \right]$$

Single collector collection efficiency by inertial impaction

$$\eta_I = 0.16 \left[N_R + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{5} N_R \right) Stk - 0.105 \cdot N_R \cdot Stk^2 \right]$$

$$Stk = \rho_p \cdot d_p^2 \cdot U_i / (18\mu \cdot d_f) \cdot SCF$$

$$SCF = 1 + Kn \cdot (1.257 + 0.4e^{\frac{-1.1}{Kn}})$$

Interaction term Diffusion and Interception

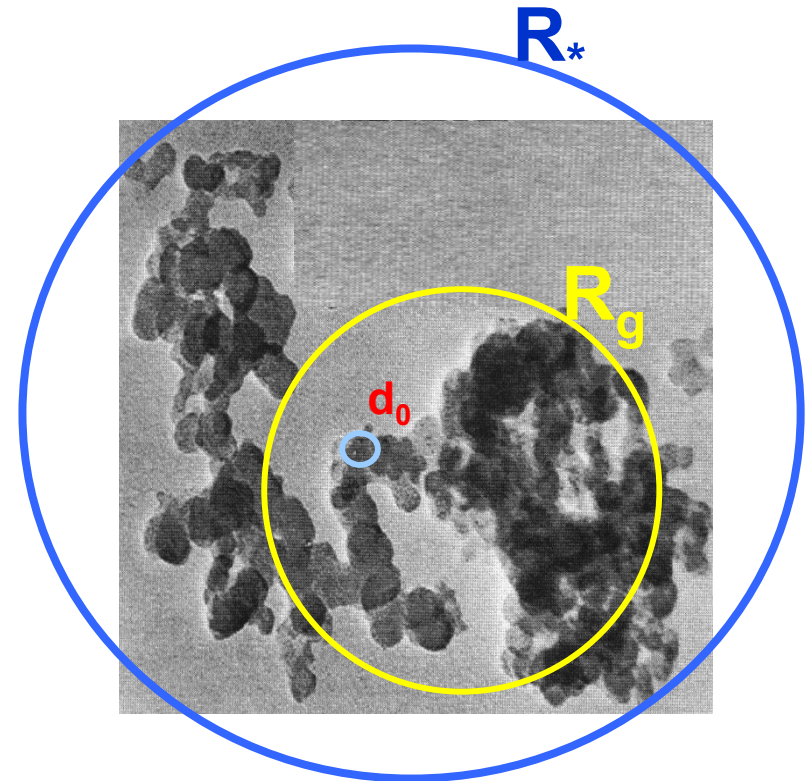
$$\eta_{DR} = \frac{1.24 \cdot N_R^{\frac{2}{3}}}{\sqrt{h(\varepsilon, Kn) \cdot Pe}}$$

Single fiber combined collection efficiency

$$\eta = \eta_D + \eta_R + \eta_I + \eta_{DR}$$

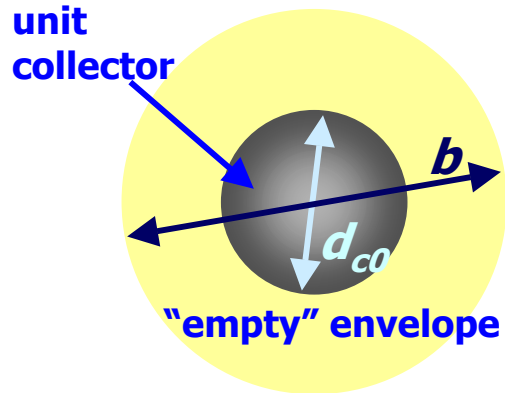
Interception diameter of fractal aggregates

- ❖ Mobility diameter correlates with radius of gyration R_g
- ❖ For modelling particle capture by interception, a larger particle size is needed
- ❖ Better to consider sphere that is inscribed by the fractal aggregate
- ❖ Interception N_R parameter modified to account for this.

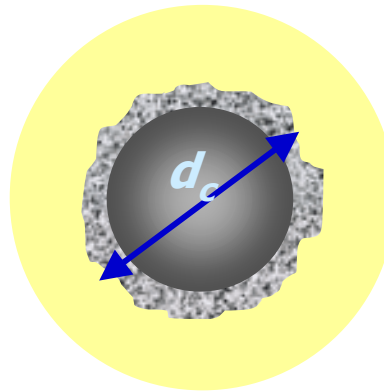


Transient filtration model : Unit cell/collector concept

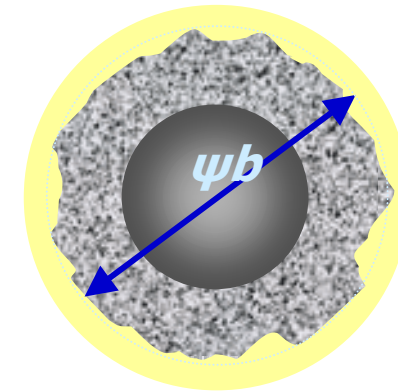
Clean unit cell



Partially loaded unit cell



Completely loaded unit cell



Clean collector diameter

$$d_{c_0} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{(1 - \varepsilon_0)}{\varepsilon_0} \cdot d_{pore}$$

Loaded collector diameter

$$d_c(t) = 2 \cdot \left[\frac{3}{4\pi} \cdot \frac{m_c(t)}{\rho_{soot,w}} + \left(\frac{d_{c_0}}{2} \right)^3 \right]^{1/3}$$

Permeability of loaded medium

$$\frac{k(t)}{k_0} = \left(\frac{d_c(t)}{d_{c_0}} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{f(\varepsilon(t))}{f(\varepsilon_0)}$$

Clean unit cell diameter

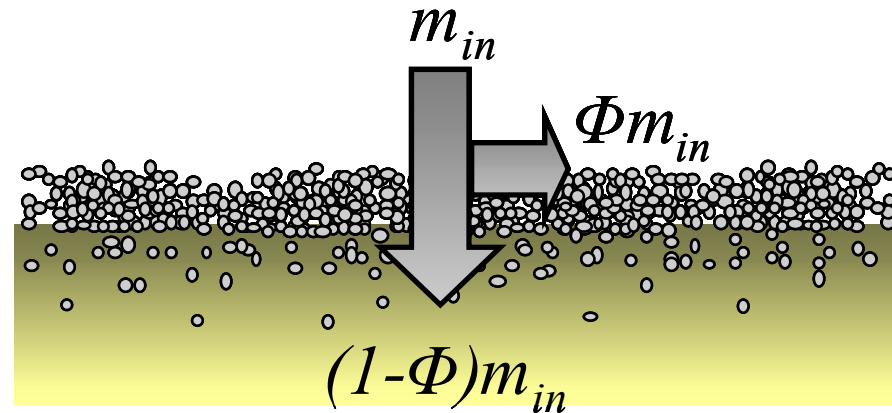
$$\frac{d_{c_0}^3}{b^3} = (1 - \varepsilon_0)$$

Loaded porosity

$$\varepsilon(t) = 1 - \left(\frac{d_c(t)}{d_{c_0}} \right)^3 \cdot (1 - \varepsilon_0)$$

Deep Bed filtration to cake filtration transition

Distribution of particulate mass deposited in the filter



d_{c0}	diameter of clean unit collector
d_c	diameter of loaded unit collector
b	diameter of unit cell
ε_0	clean filter wall porosity
ε	loaded filter wall porosity
m_c	particulate mass deposited on unit collector
ψ	dimensionless percolation constant
Φ	particulate mass partition coefficient
$\rho_{soot,w}$	particulate density inside filter wall

Partition coefficient

$$\Phi(t) = \left(\frac{(d_c(1,t))^2 - d_{c0}^2}{(\psi \cdot b)^2 - d_{c0}^2} \right) \text{ Spherical}$$

$$\Phi(t) = \left(\frac{(d_c(1,t)) - d_{c0}}{(\psi \cdot b) - d_{c0}} \right) \text{ Cylindrical}$$

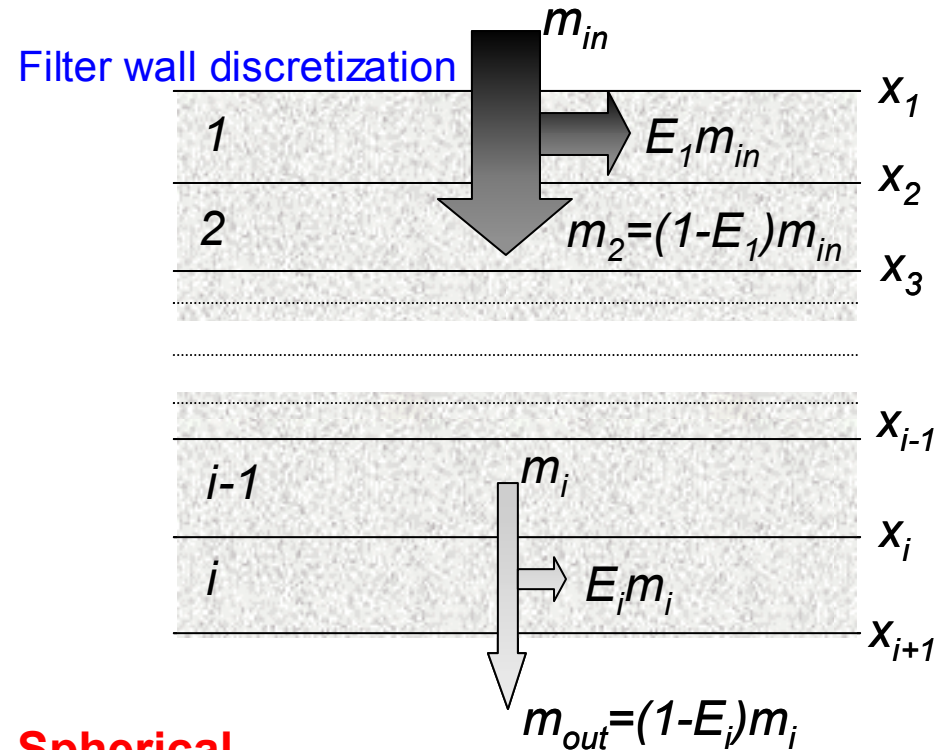
Transient filtration numerical algorithm-1

Particulate mass transport equations

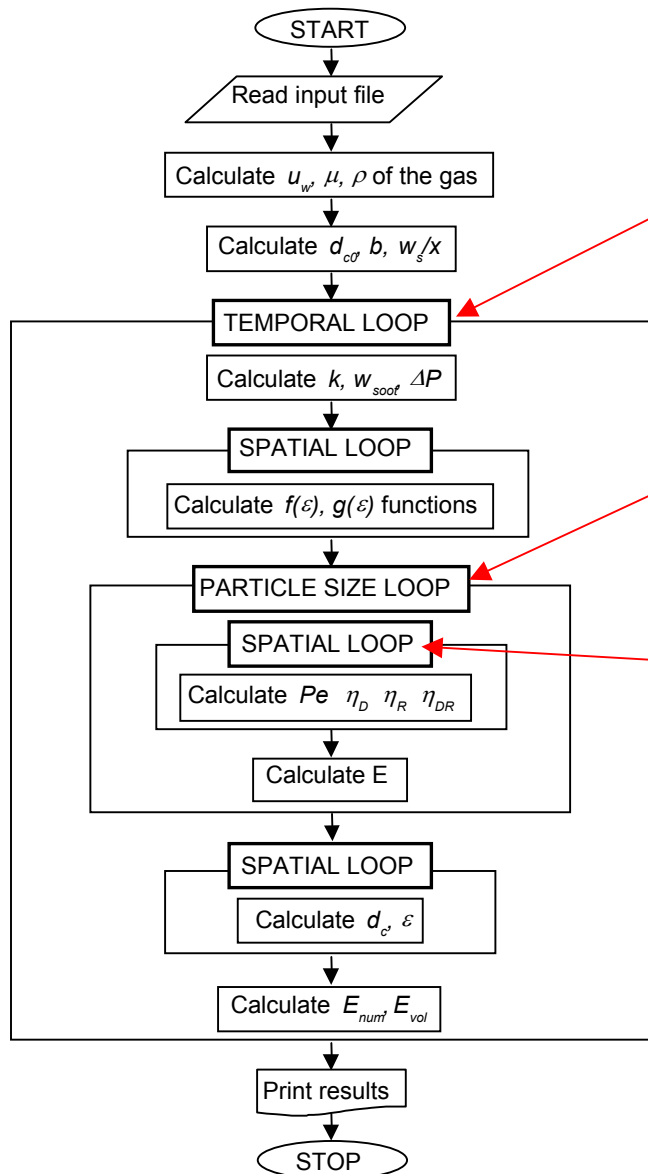
$$\frac{\partial \dot{m}_p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial m_c}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial \dot{m}_p}{\partial x} = -e_f(m_c) \dot{m}_p$$

Local collection efficiency

$$E(i, t) = \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} e_f(m_c(x, t)) dx = \begin{cases} 1 - \exp\left[-\frac{3\eta(i, t) \cdot (1 - \varepsilon(i, t)) \cdot (x_{i+1} - x_i)}{2\varepsilon(i, t)d_c(i, t)}\right] & \text{Spherical} \\ 1 - \exp\left[-\frac{4\eta(i, t) \cdot (1 - \varepsilon(i, t)) \cdot (x_{i+1} - x_i)}{\pi\varepsilon(i, t)d_c(i, t)}\right] & \text{Cylindrical} \end{cases}$$



Transient filtration numerical algorithm-2



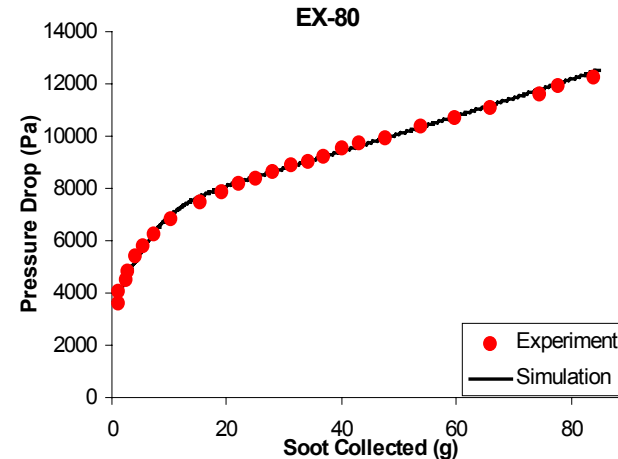
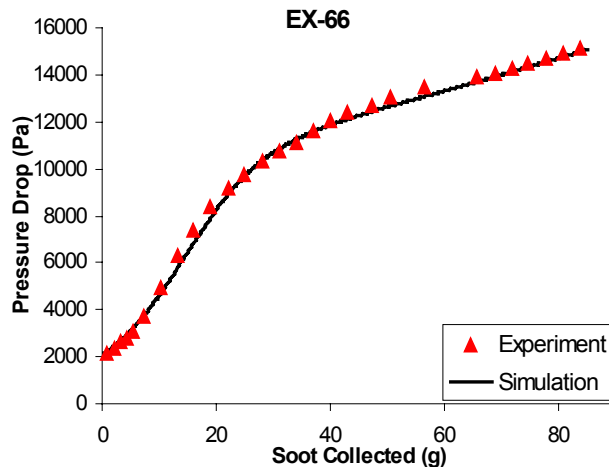
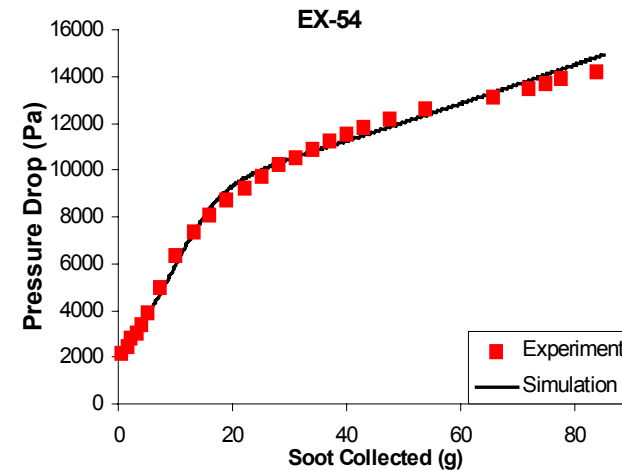
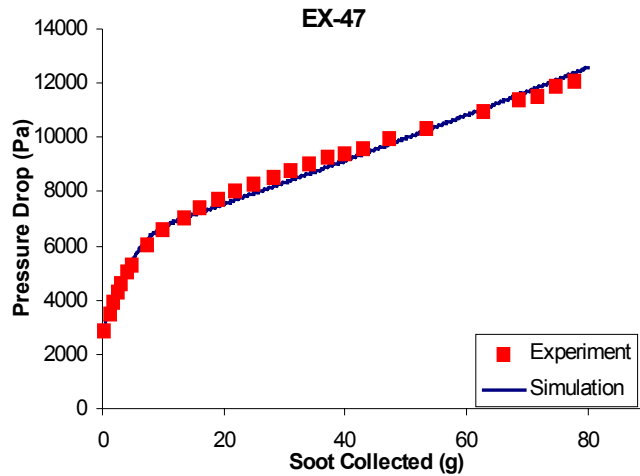
❖ **Temporal loop:** repeat inner loops, recalculating collector properties as particulate matter accumulates in the layers.

❖ **Particle size loop:** calculate collected mass from each layer for given time-step.

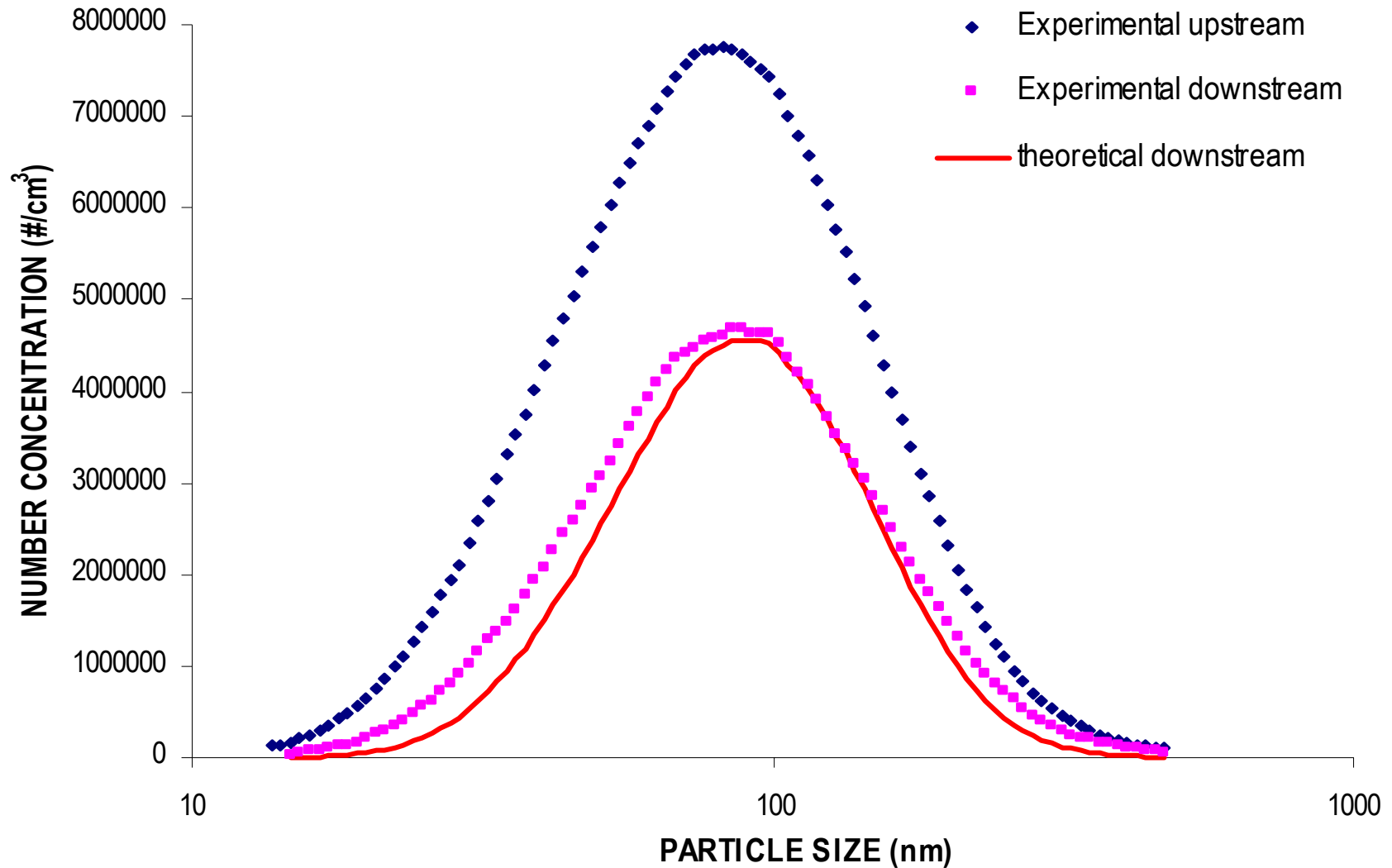
❖ **Inner spatial loop:** calculation of flow parameters, unit collector properties and E for each layer.

Transient Loading Model Validation

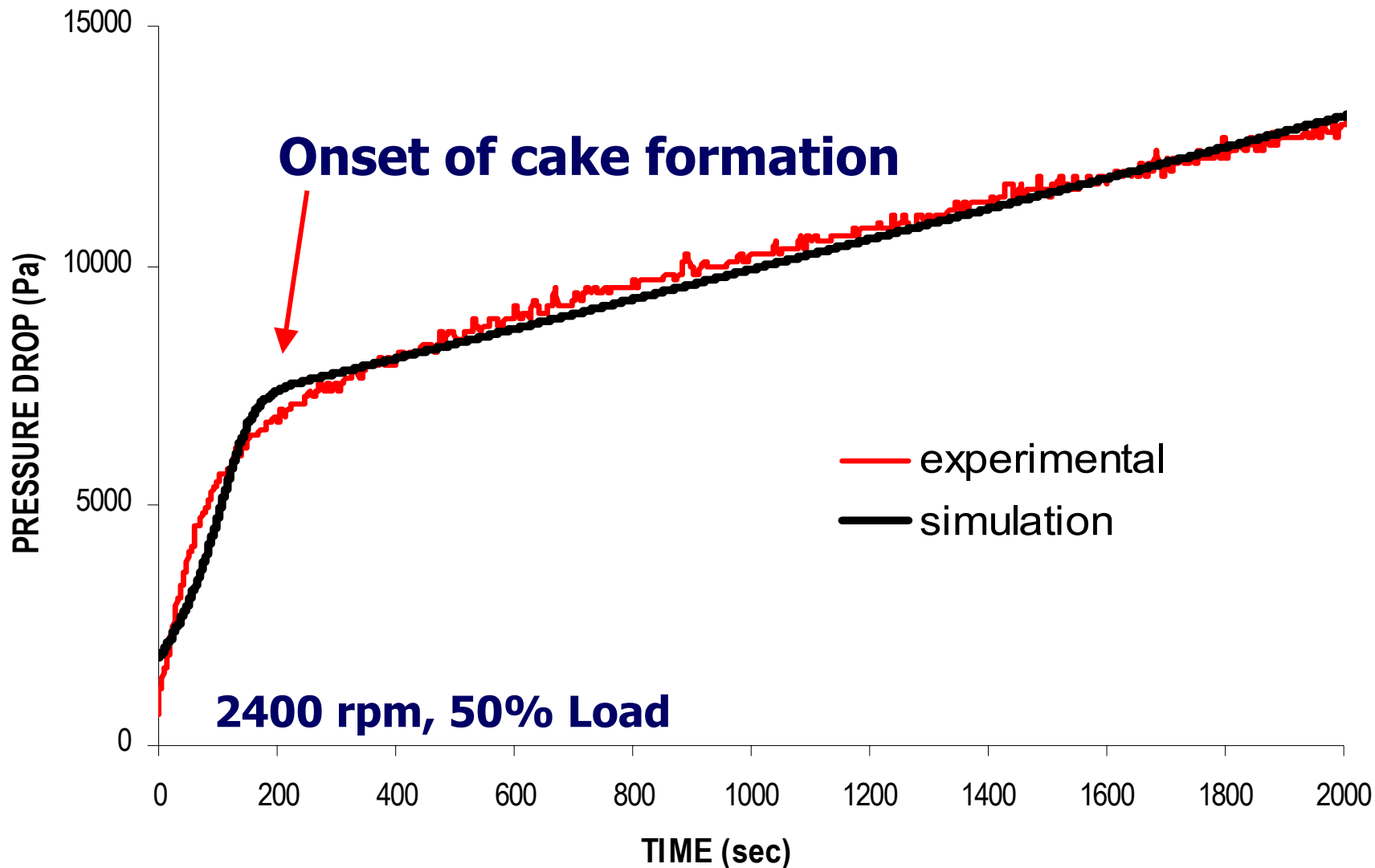
Cordierite Filters (Exper. Murtagh et al. 1994)



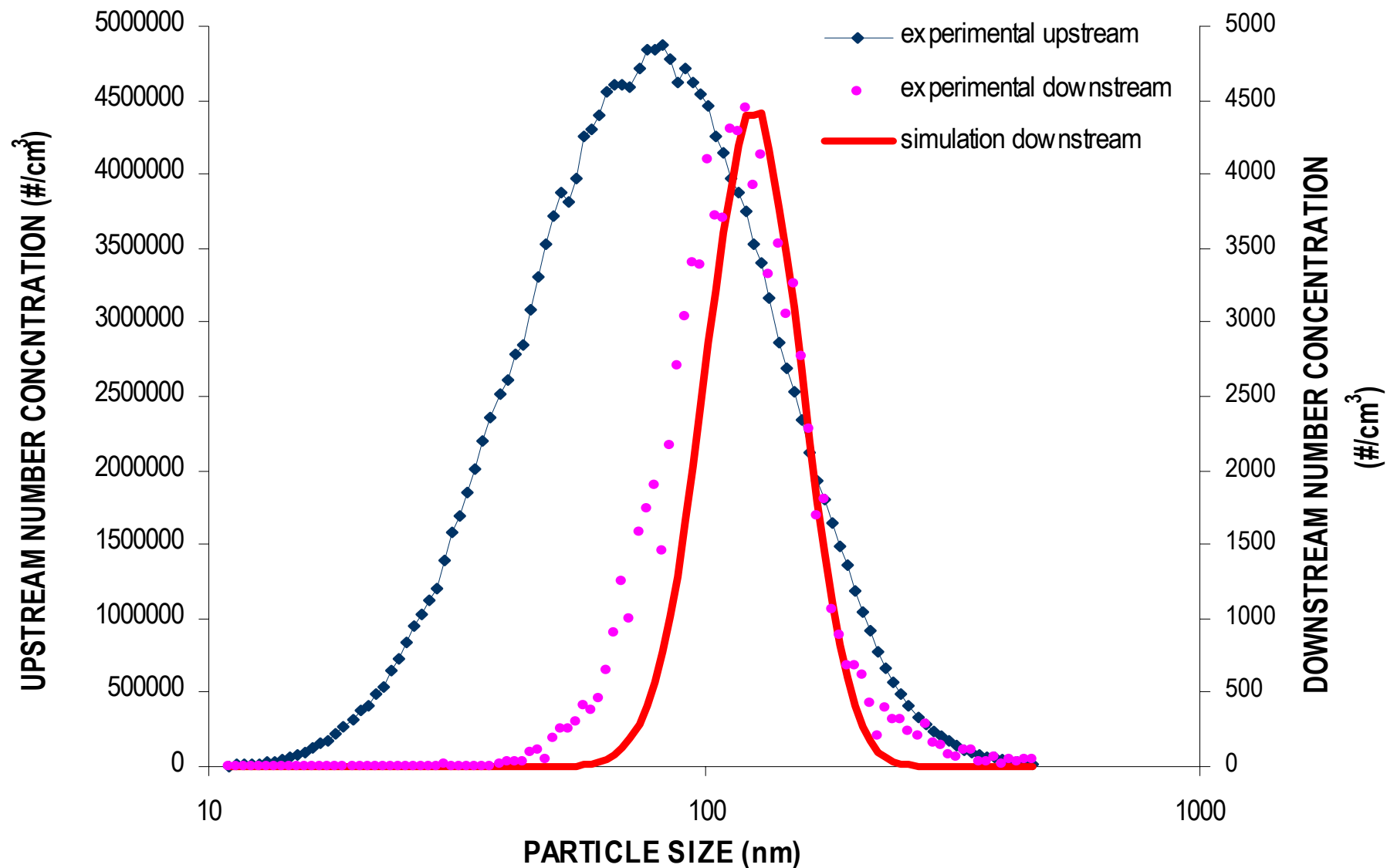
Cordierite wall-flow DPF – collection efficiency



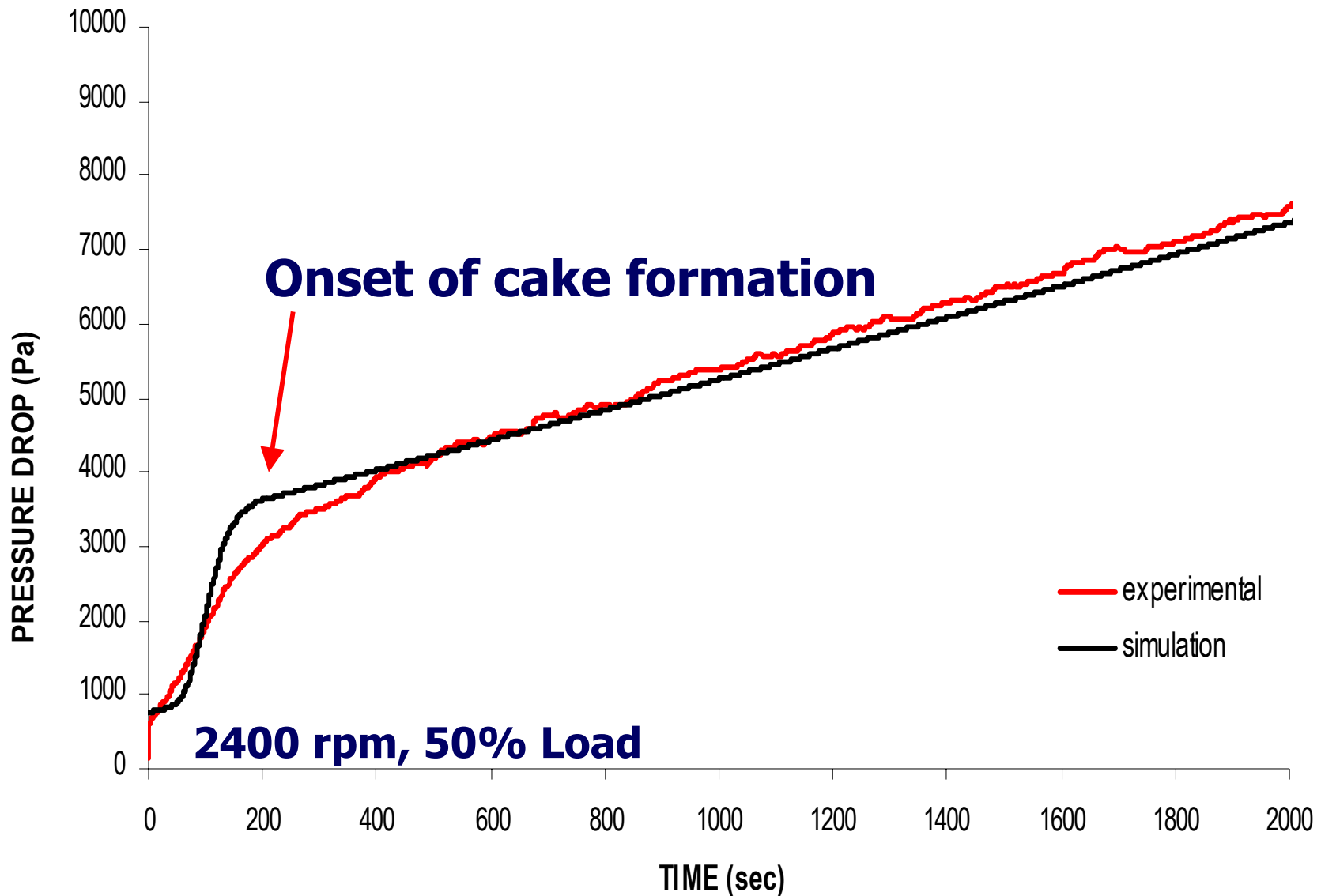
Cordierite wall-flow DPF – transient pressure drop



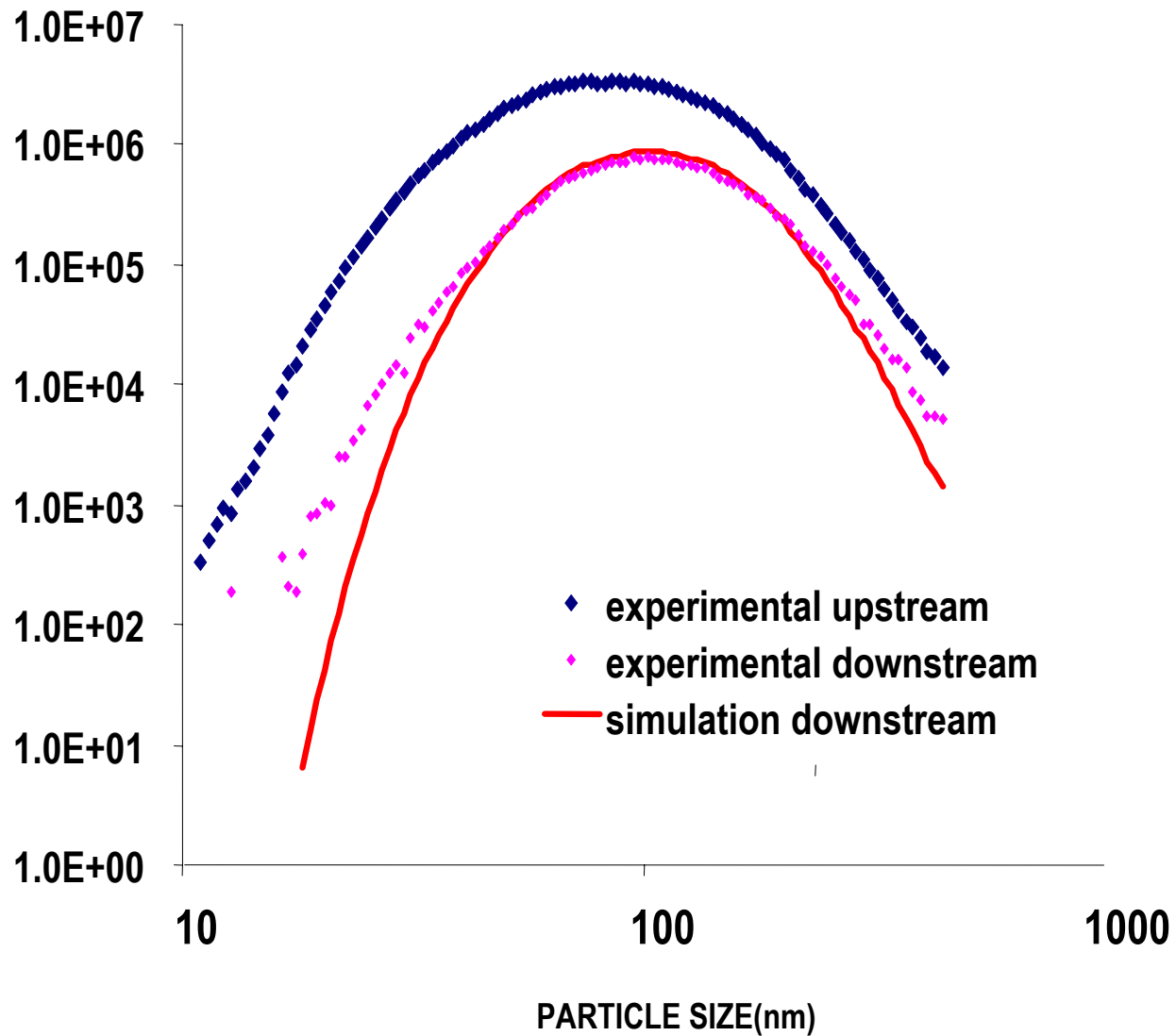
Silicon carbide DPF – collection efficiency



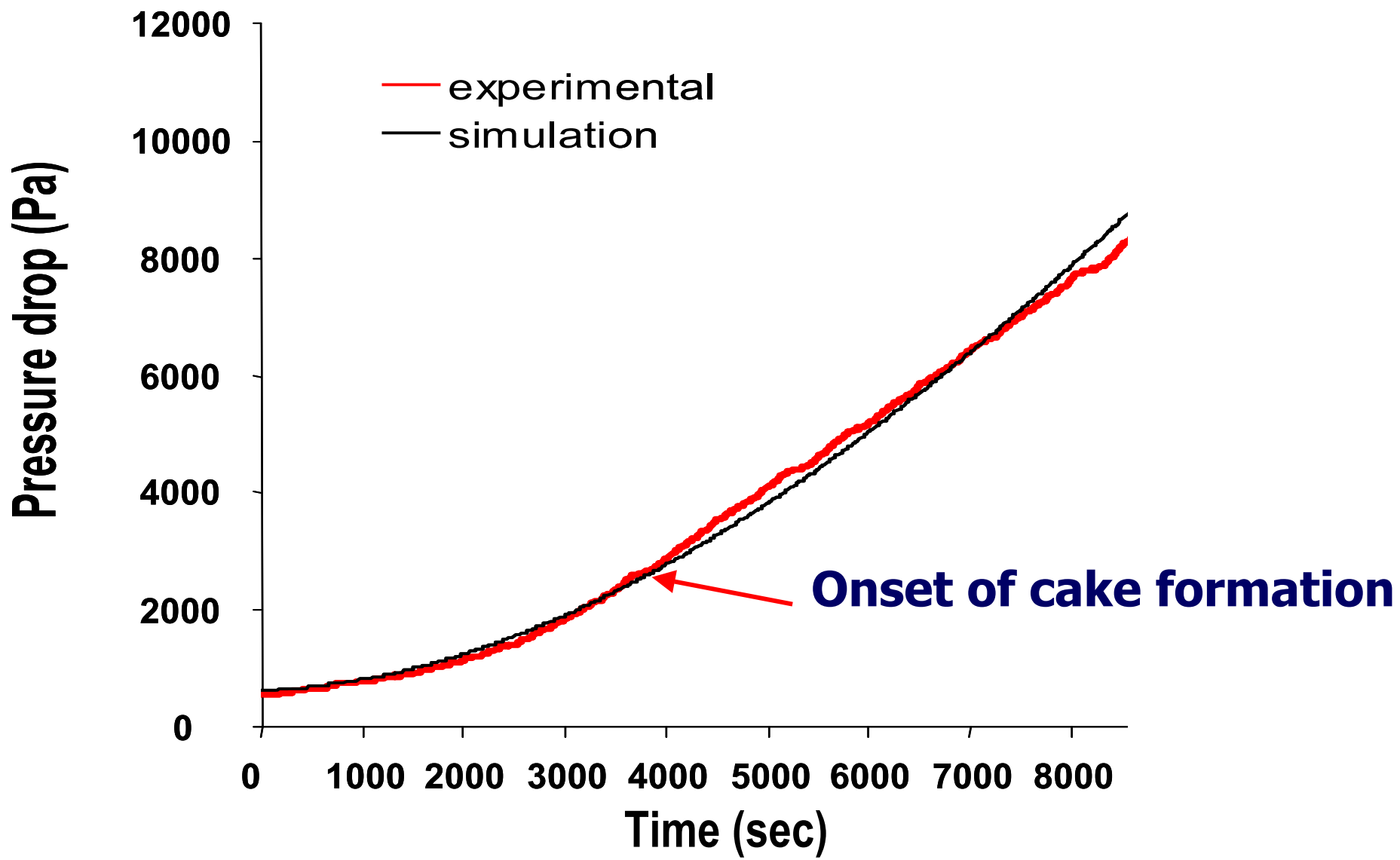
Silicon carbide DPF – transient pressure drop



Fibrous filters – woven fiber filter collection efficiency

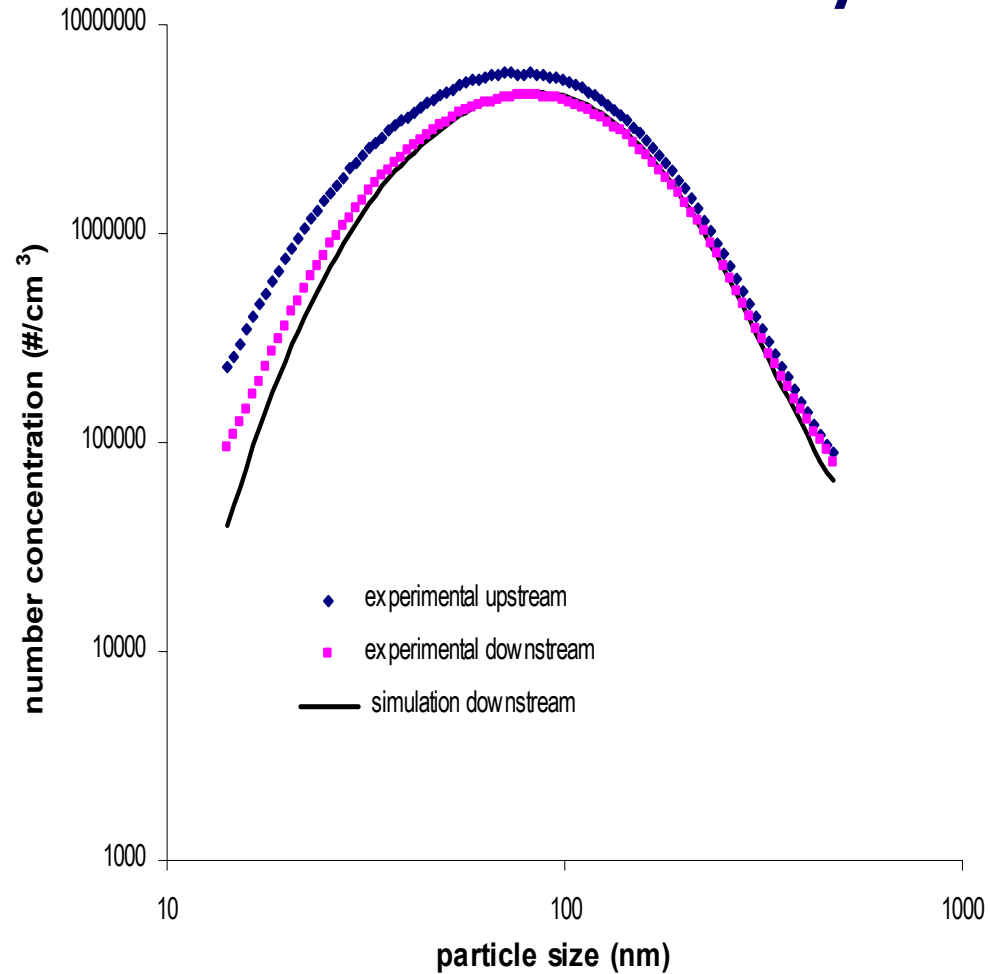


Fibrous filters – woven fiber filter pressure drop

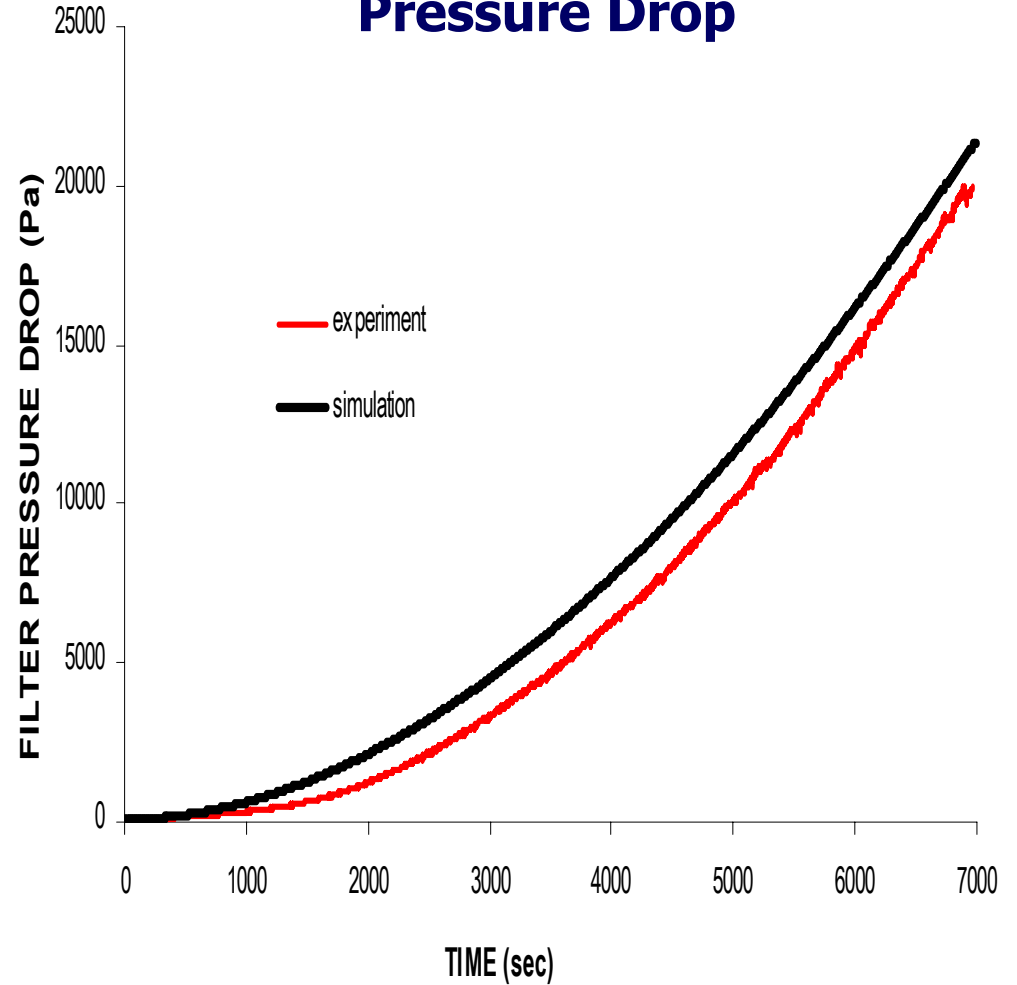


Fibrous filters – non-woven fiber filter

Collection Efficiency

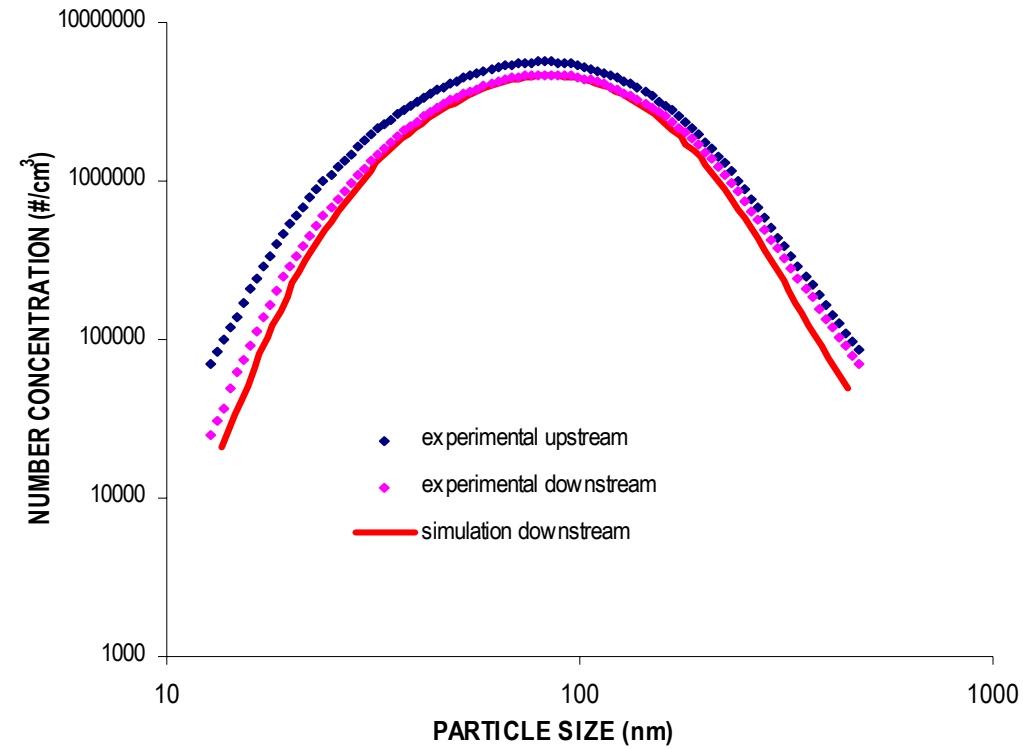


Pressure Drop

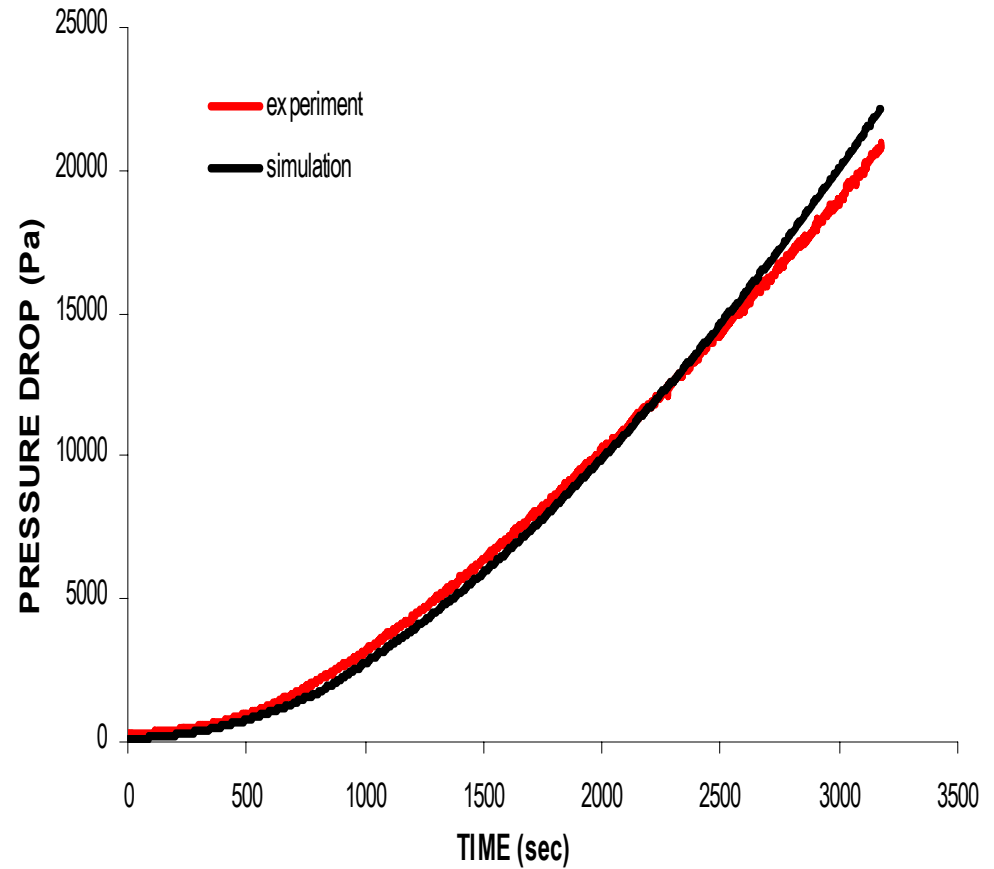


Fibrous filters – gradient porosity filter

Collection Efficiency



Pressure Drop



Soot Cake Formation Mechanism

DIFFUSION
(Diffusion
Limited deposition)

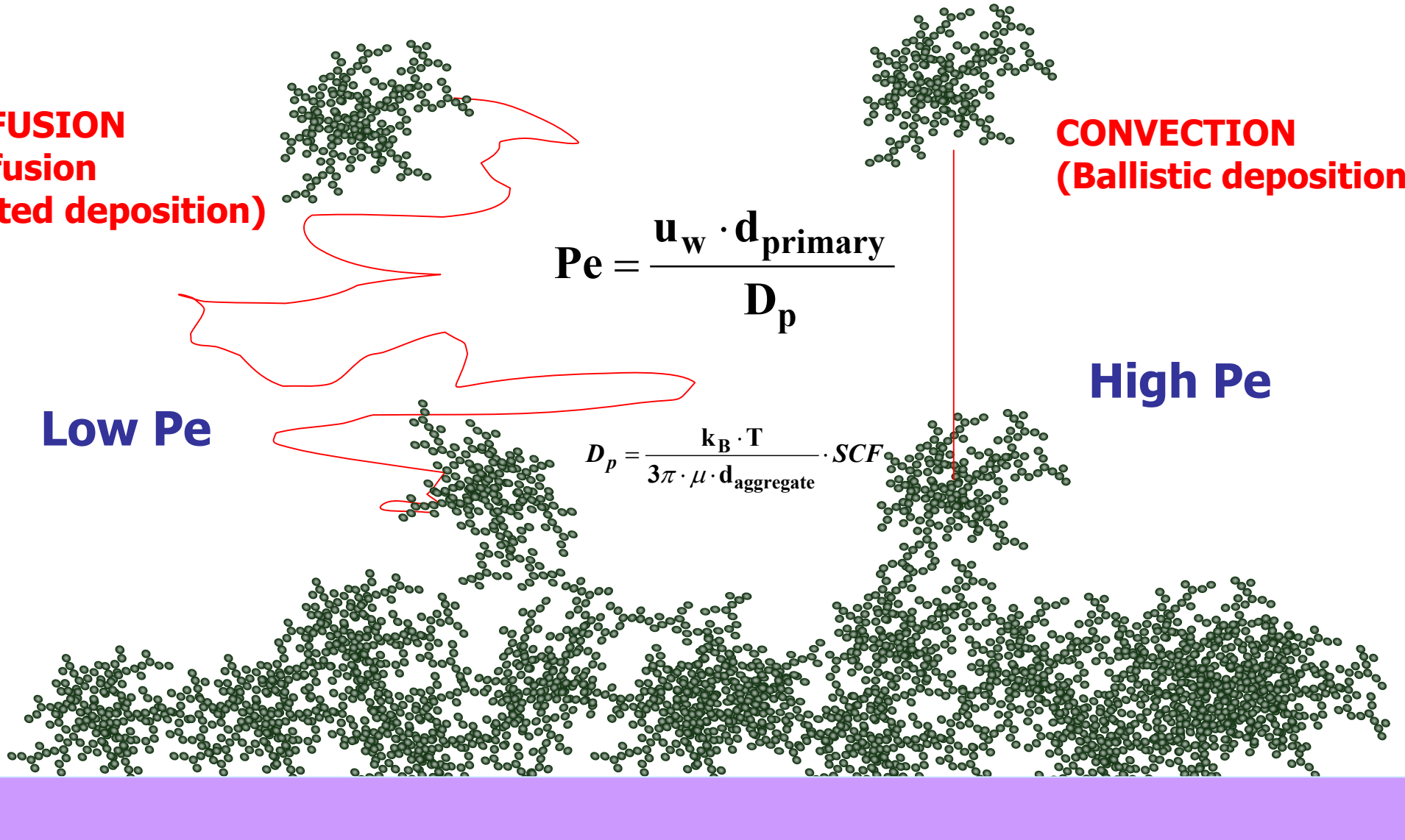
CONVECTION
(Ballistic deposition)

$$Pe = \frac{u_w \cdot d_{\text{primary}}}{D_p}$$

Low Pe

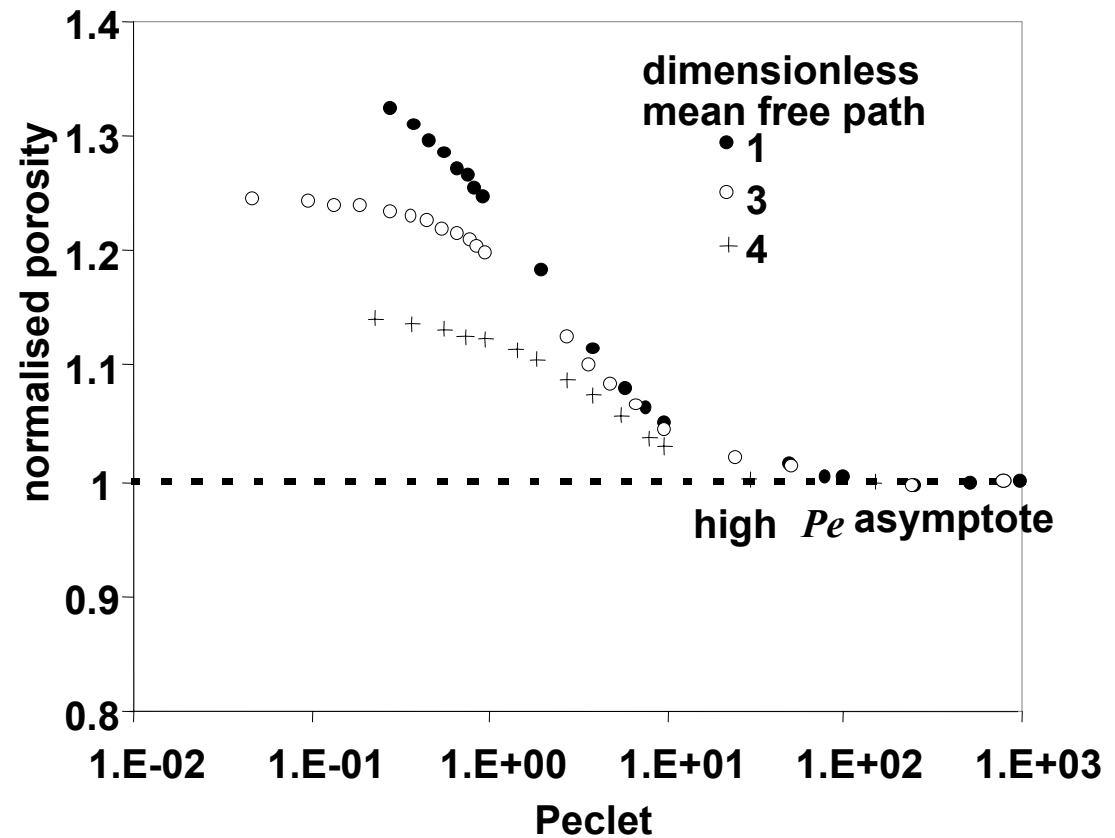
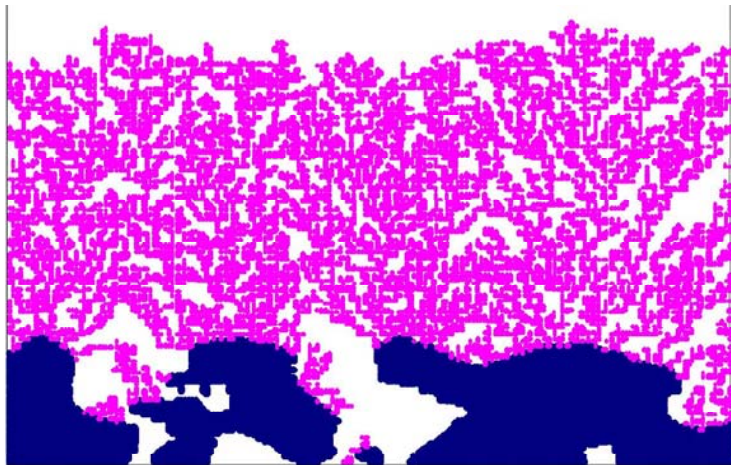
High Pe

$$D_p = \frac{k_B \cdot T}{3\pi \cdot \mu \cdot d_{\text{aggregate}}} \cdot SCF$$

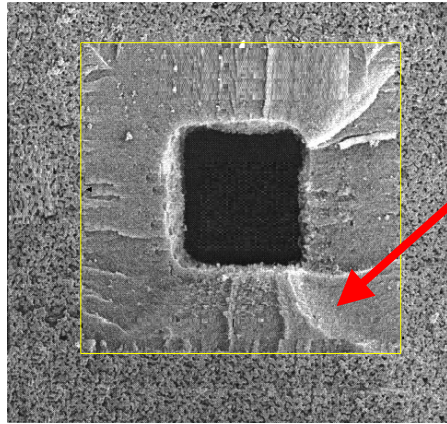


Discrete Particle Dynamics Simulation

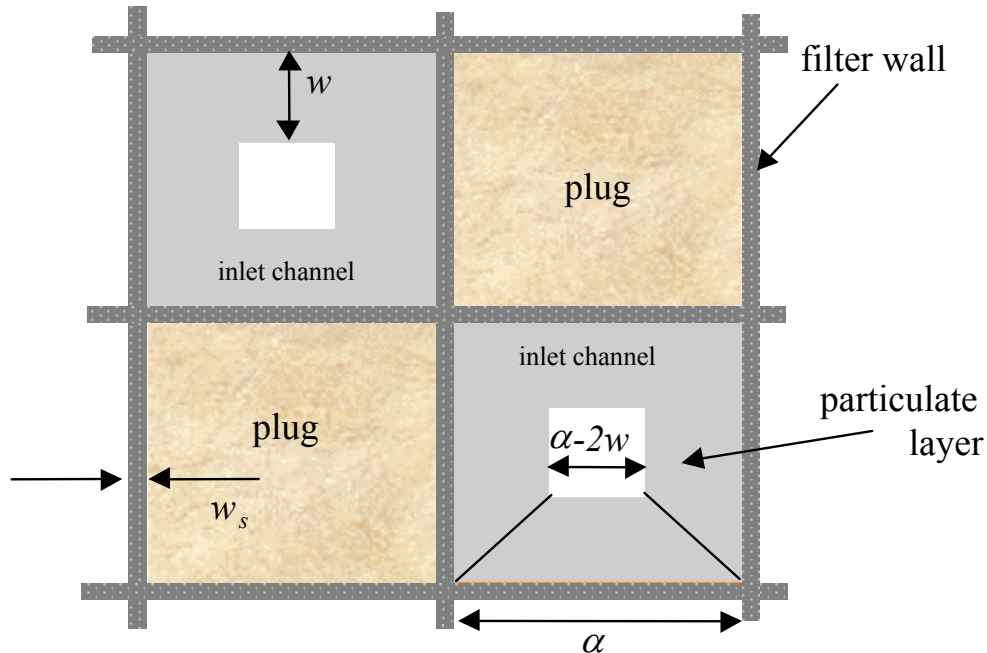
[Tassopoulos, 1991, Konstandopoulos, 1991].



Pressure Drop of Cake Wall Flow Filters-1



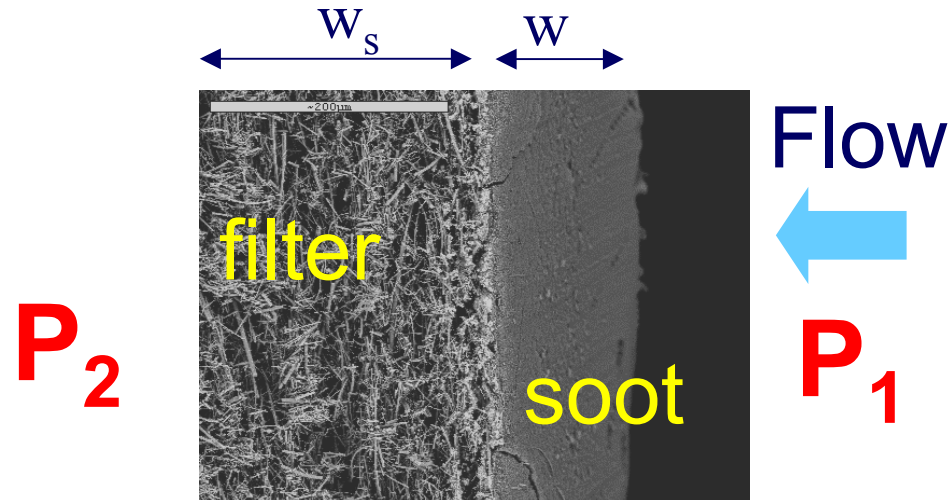
Particulate layer



- m_{soot} : particulate mass collected in DPF
- N_{cells} : number of inlet cells of wall-flow filter
- α : cell density
- Q : exhaust volumetric flow rate
- V_{trap} : filter volume
- L : filter length
- a : channel width
- w : particulate layer thickness
- w_s : filter wall thickness
- k_0 : filter wall permeability
- k_{soot} : particulate layer permeability
- $\rho_{soot, c}$: particulate packing density in cake deposit
- μ : exhaust dynamic viscosity
- F : factor equal to 28.454
- l_p : plug length
- β : Forchheimer losses coefficient
- ζ : contraction/expansion losses coefficient
- ρ : air density

Pressure Drop of Cake Wall Flow Filters-2

Konstandopoulos et al. 1989-2001



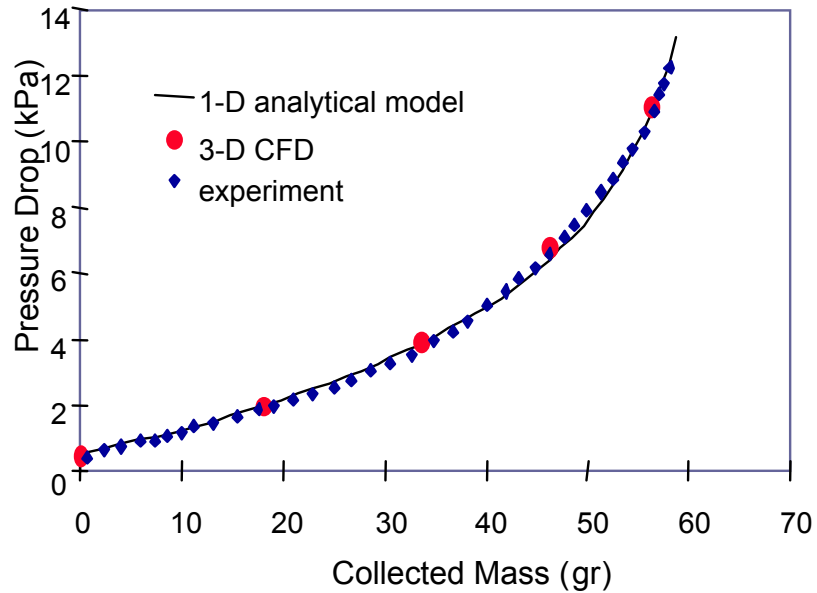
$$\Delta P_{loaded} = \frac{\mu Q}{2V_{trap}} (a + w_s)^2 \left[\underbrace{\frac{w_s}{k_o a} + \frac{1}{2k_{soot}} \ln\left(\frac{a}{a-2w}\right)}_{\text{Darcian contributions term}} + \underbrace{\frac{4FL^2}{3} \left(\frac{1}{(a-2w)^4} + \frac{1}{a^4} \right)}_{\text{Channel friction}} + \underbrace{\frac{4L_p^2}{a^4}}_{\text{Plug}} \right] + \underbrace{\frac{Q^2}{4V_{trap}^2} (a + w_s)^4 \beta \rho \frac{w_s}{a^2} + \frac{1}{2} \zeta \rho u_{inlet}^2}_{\text{Forchheimer term and Contraction \& Expansion losses}}$$

$$w = \frac{\alpha - \sqrt{\alpha^2 - \frac{m_{soot}}{N_{cells} L \rho_{soot,c}}}}{2}$$

$$u_{inlet} = \frac{8Q}{\pi \sigma D^2 a^2}$$

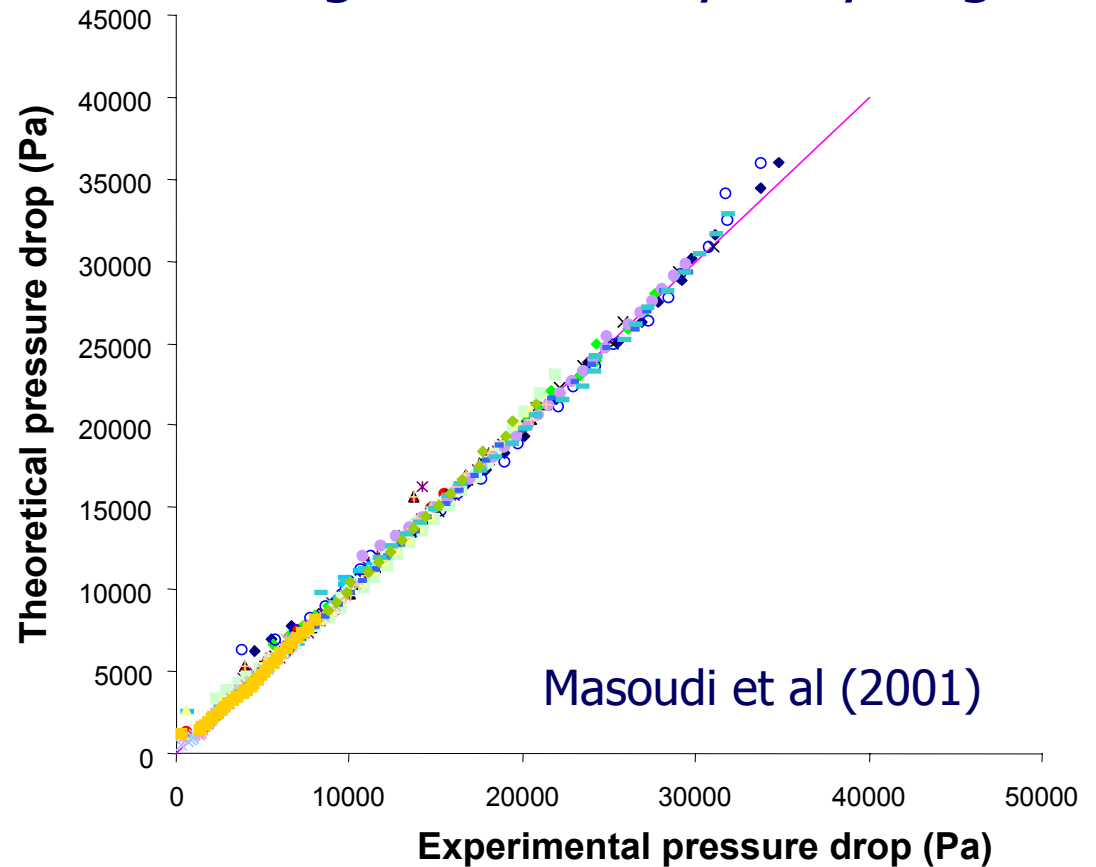
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Validation of Cake ΔP model



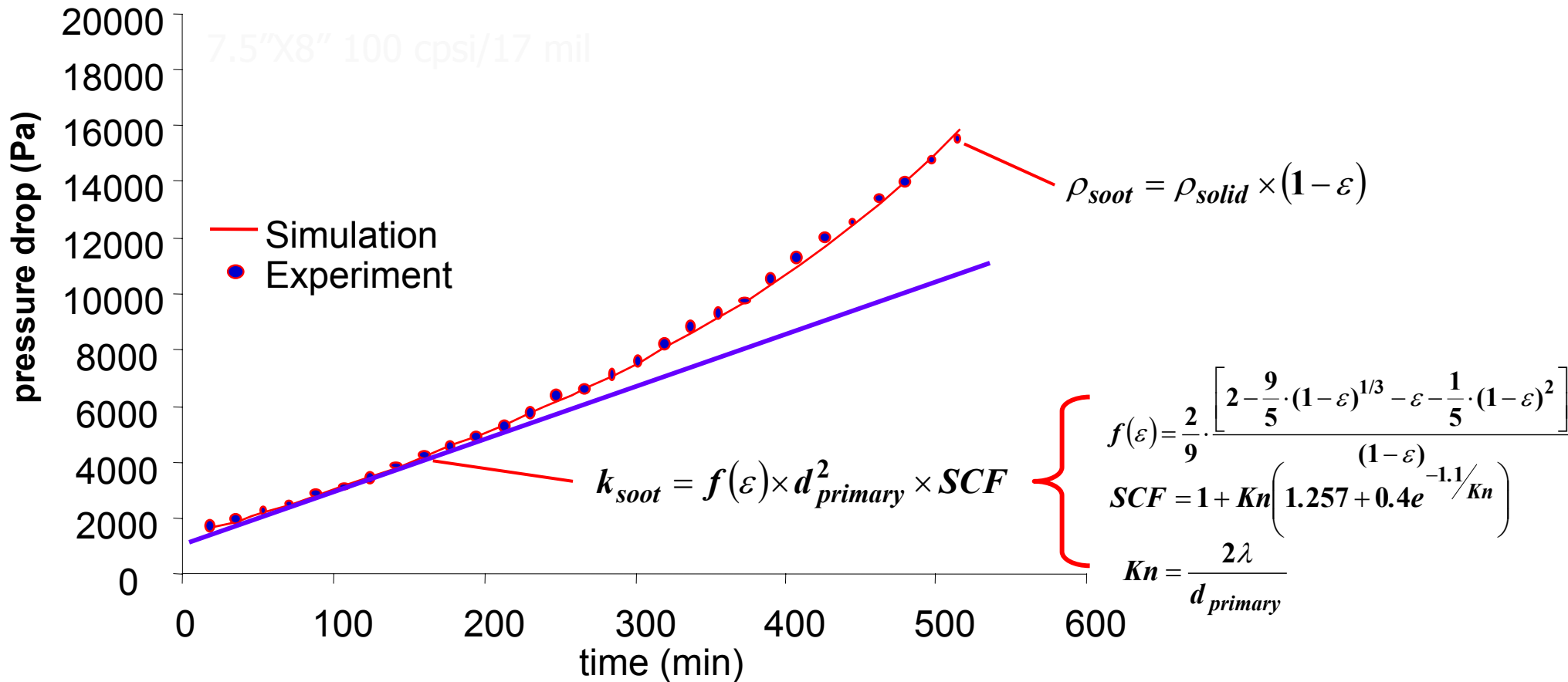
Parameter	Min-Max. value	Unit
Filter size (diam.xlength)	4.66x6 – 12x15	in x in
Filter cell density	100 – 200	cpsi
Filter wall thickness	12- 17	mil
Filter geometry	Round, Oval	-
Engine flow rate	97.5 – 790	kg/hr
Engine flow temperature	240 – 370	°C
Particulate emission rate	1.45 – 20.8	gr/hr
Loading duration	1.3 – 118	hr

10 filters in 31 experimental runs with light and heavy duty engines



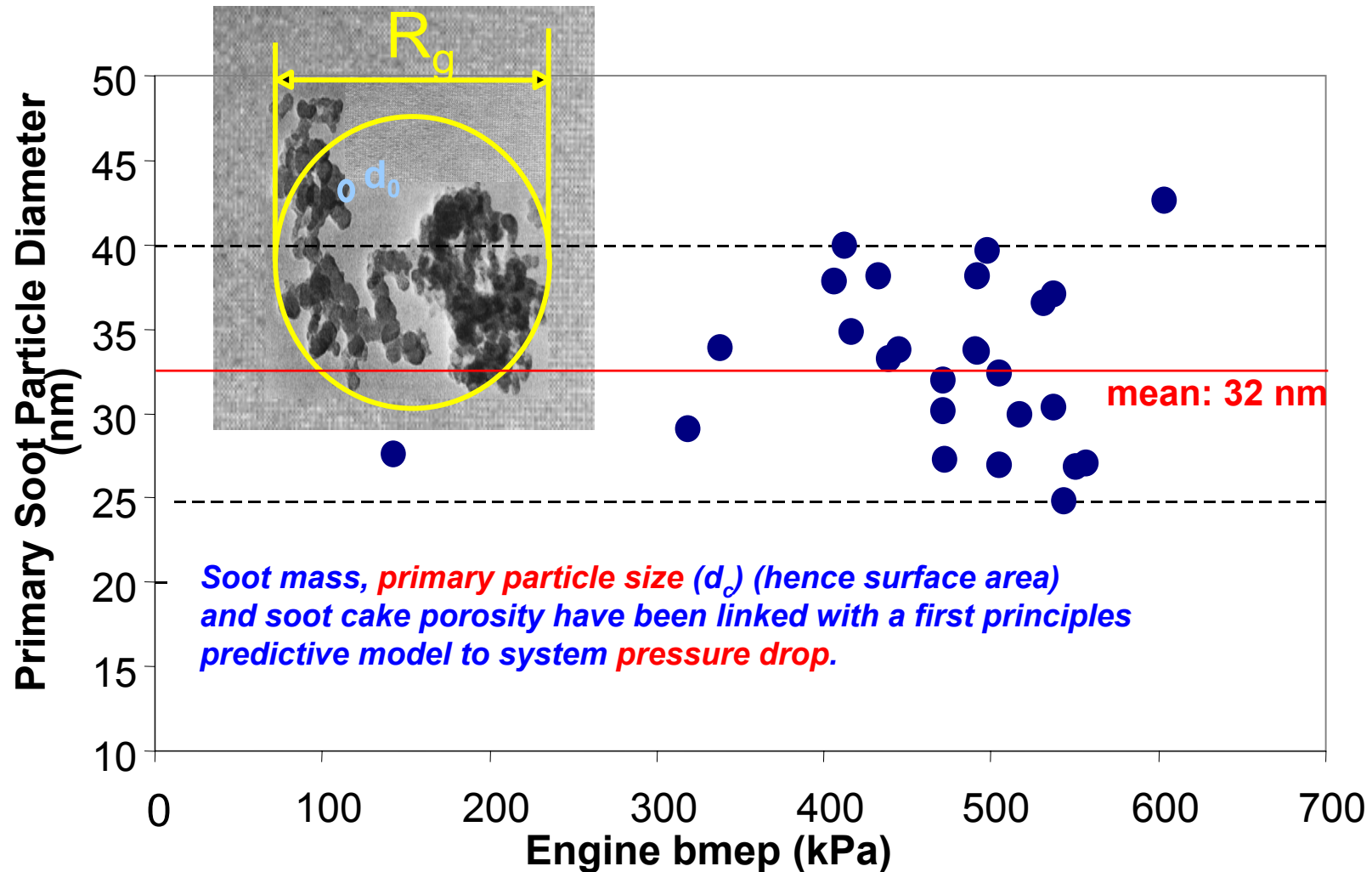
Soot Cake Microstructural Descriptors

In-situ measurement of soot cake permeability and packing density (or equivalently primary particle size and porosity)

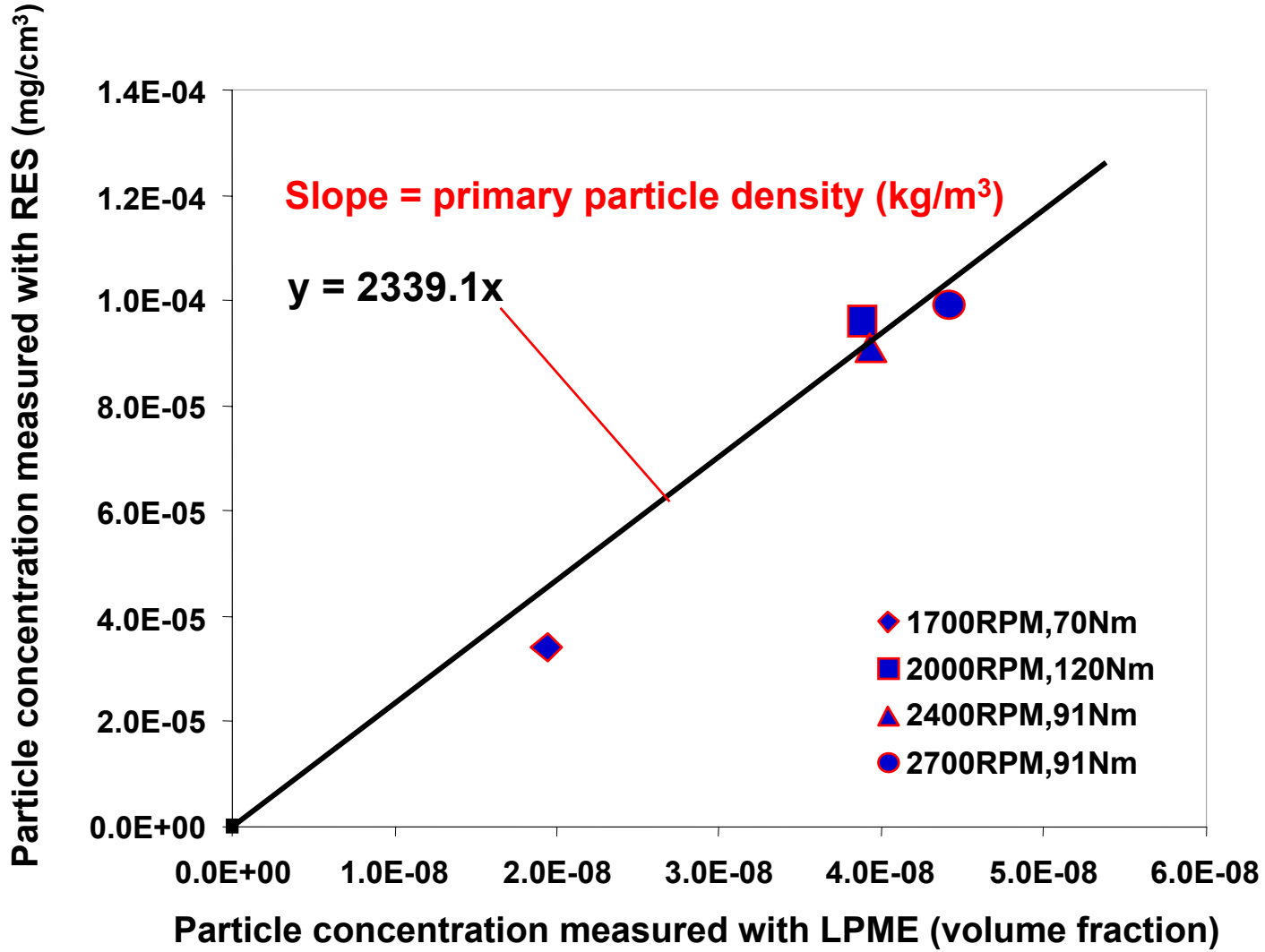


Soot Primary Particle Size

COMPUTED FROM PERMEABILITY

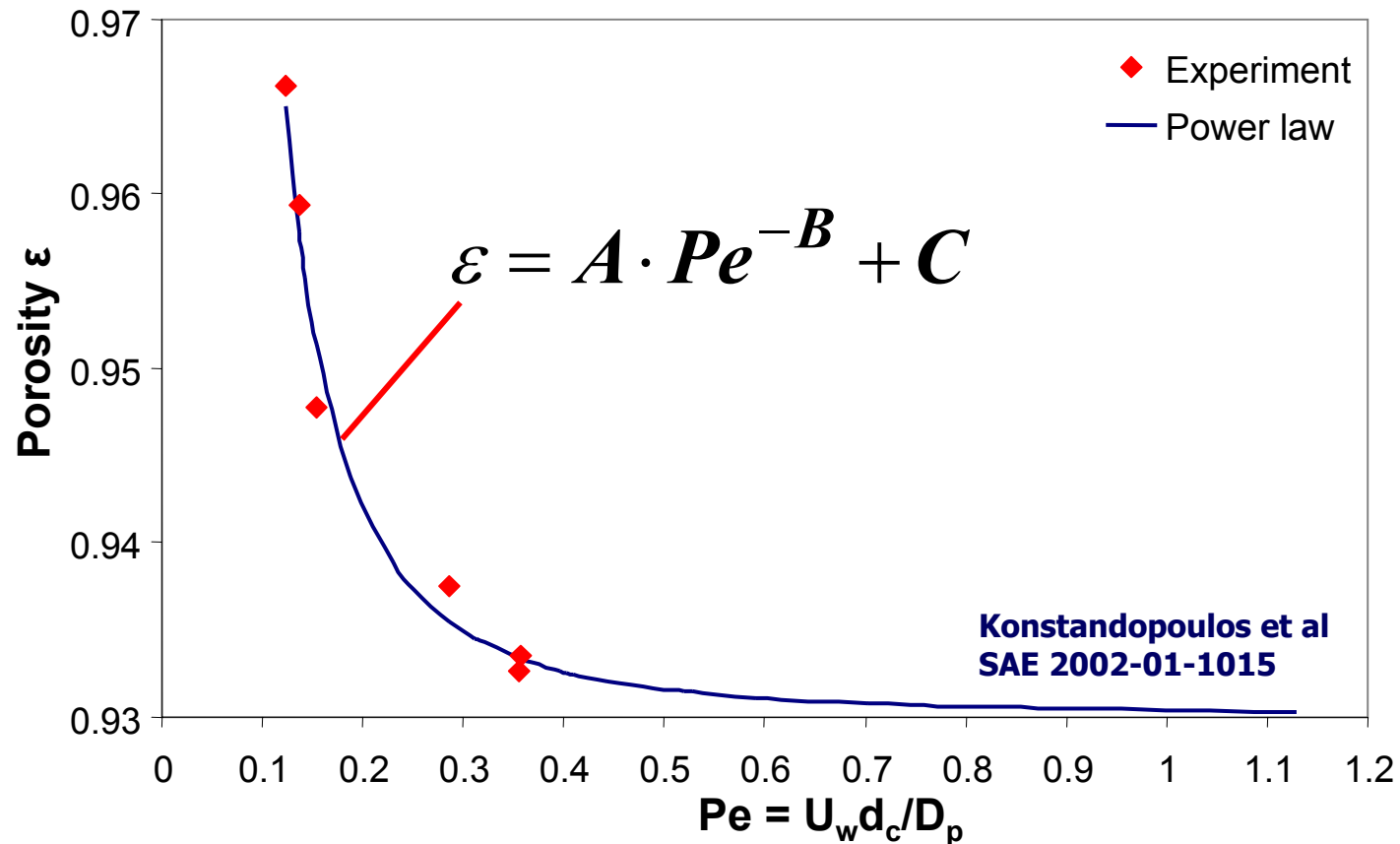


Primary Particle Density



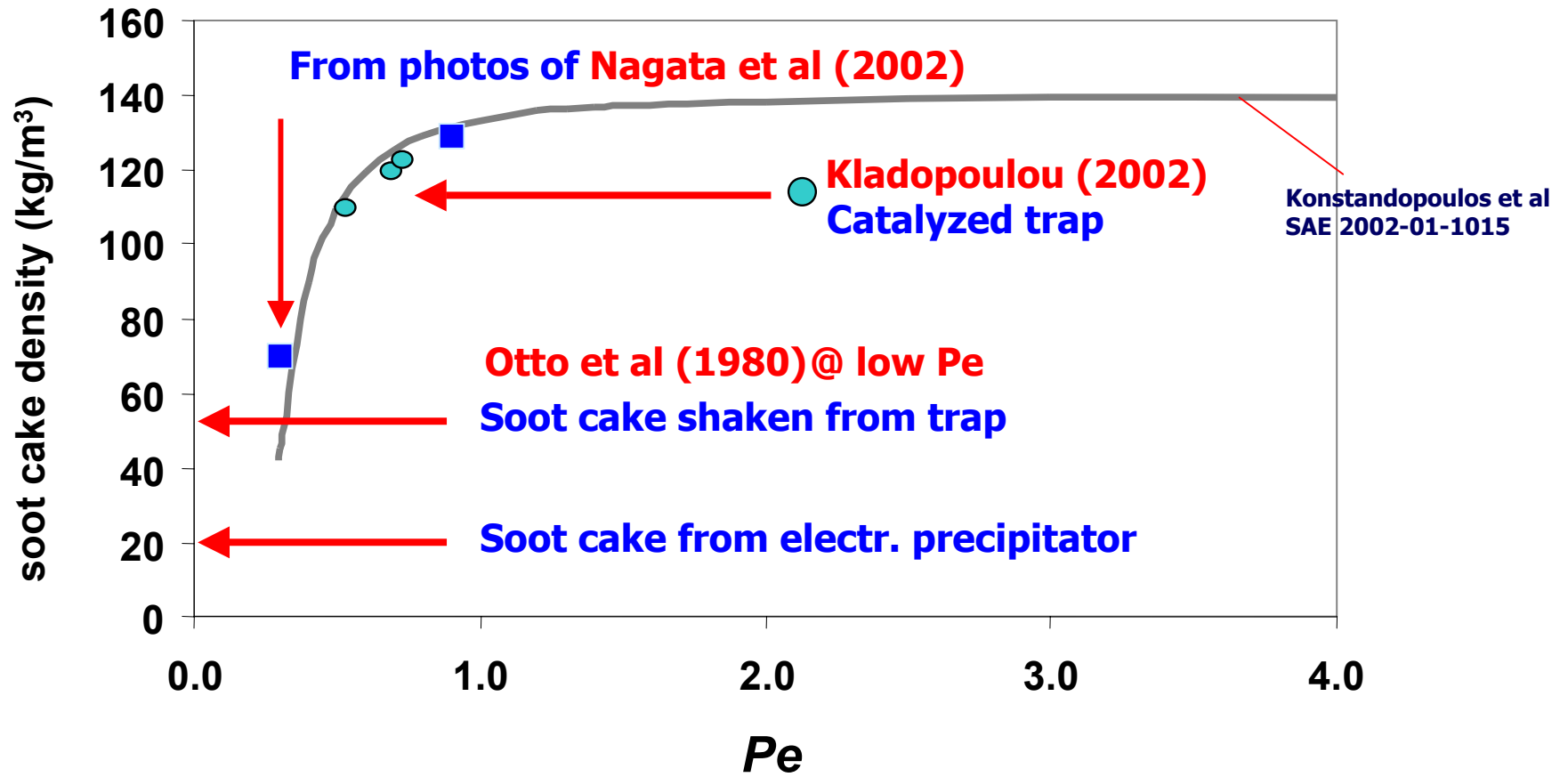
Soot Cake Porosity Variation with Pe number

Soot Packing Density and **Porosity** were for the first time measured in-situ and are found as **power laws of Peclet number** in agreement with discrete particle dynamics calculations [Tassopoulos, 1991, Konstandopoulos, 1991].



Soot Cake Density Variation with Pe number

COMPUTED FROM POROSITY



Soot Cake Thickness Variation with Pe number

At similar soot loads (24 gr in trap)

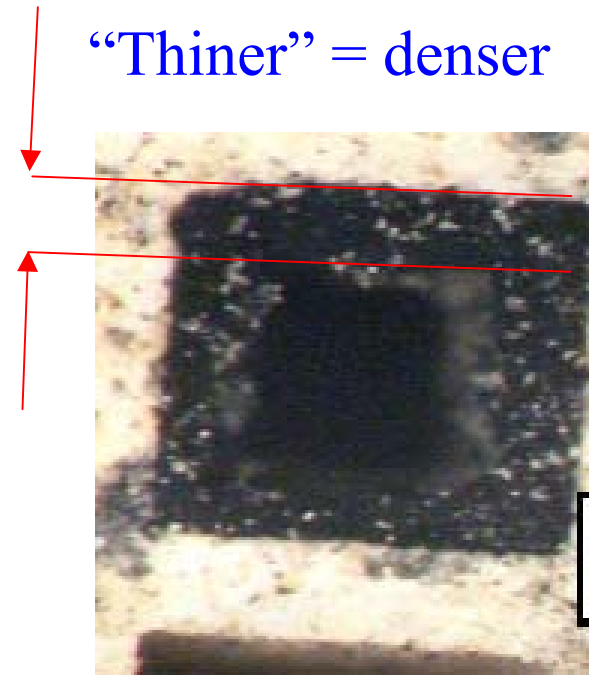
Low Peclet Deposit

“Thicker” = less dense



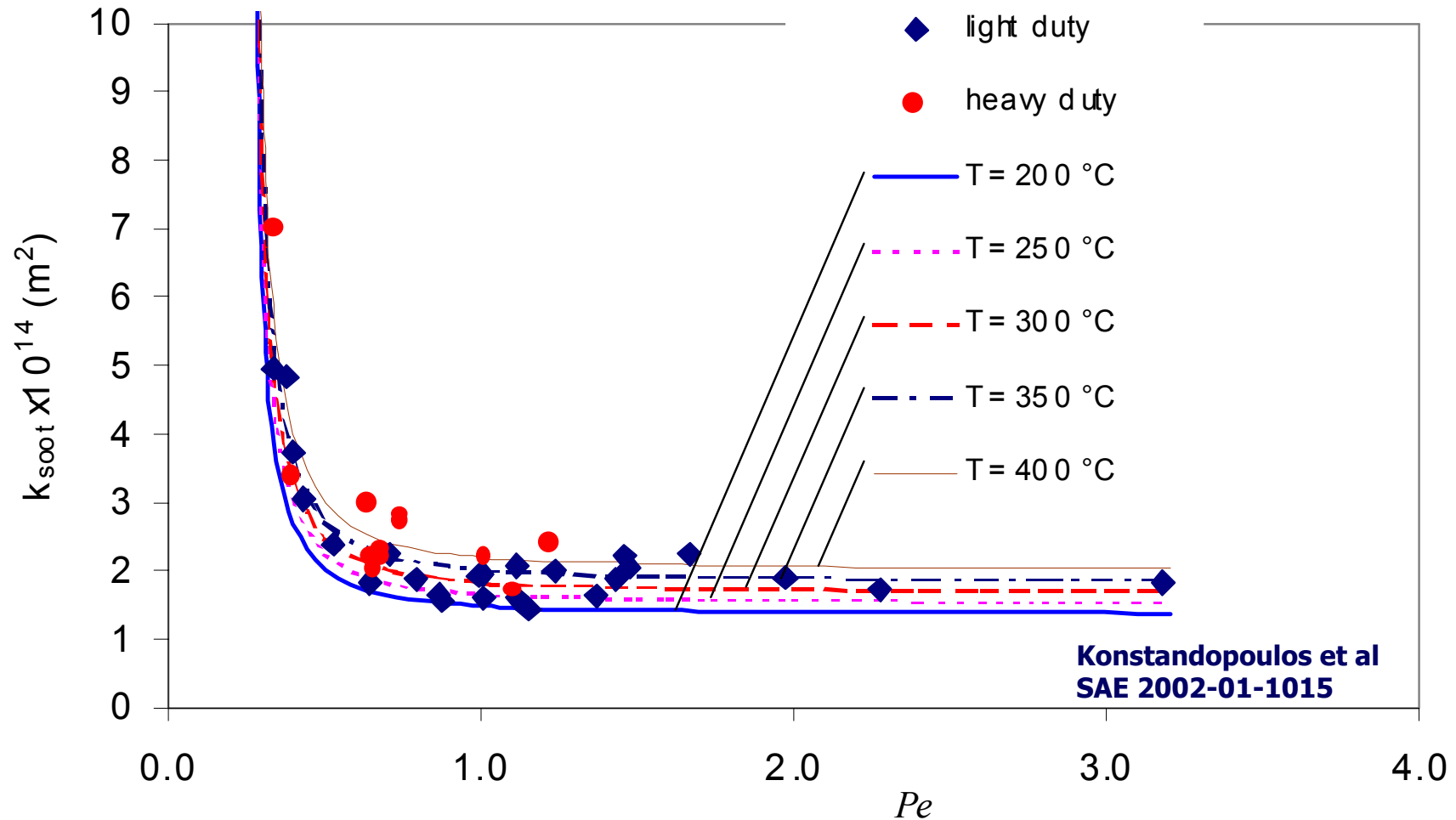
High Peclet Deposit

“Thinner” = denser



Soot cake permeability variation with Pe

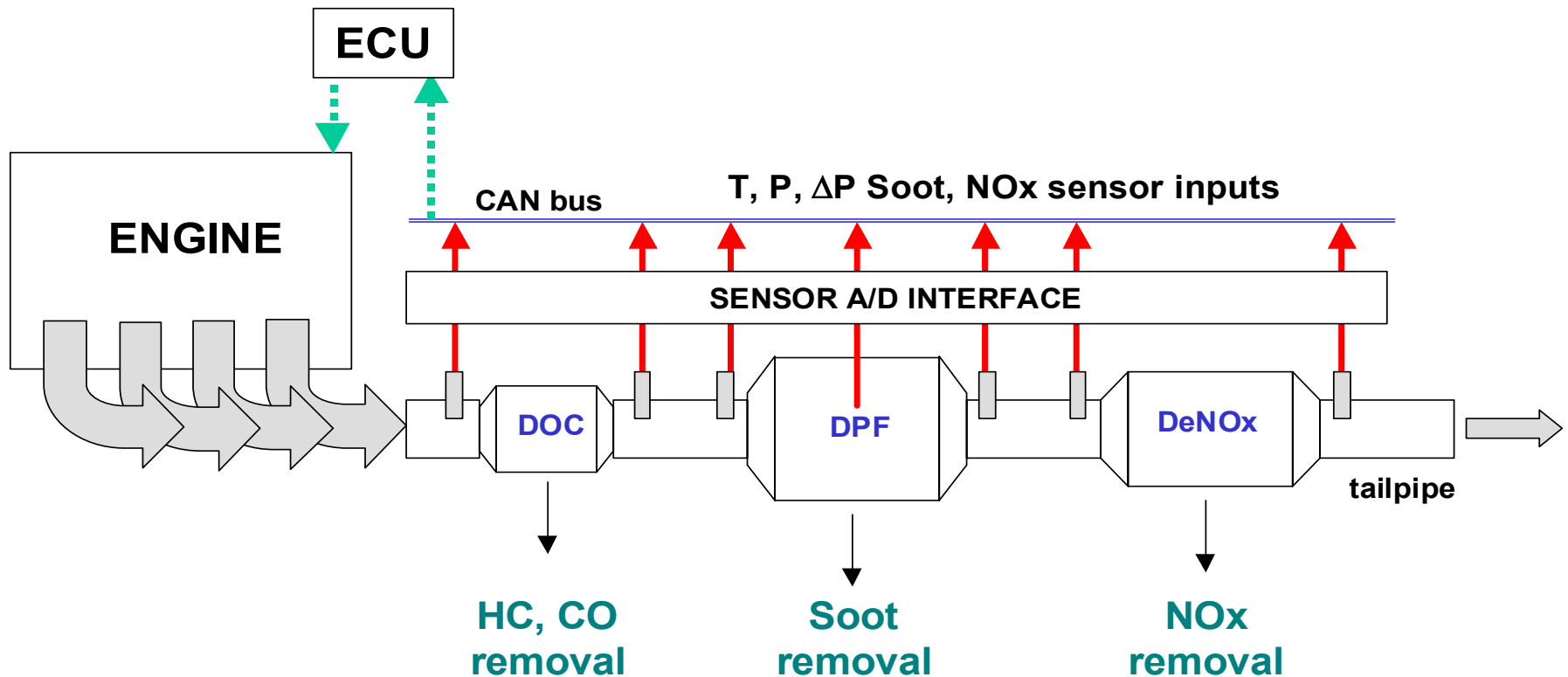
THEORY vs. EXPERIMENT



Unrealistic permeabilities (by a factor of 10 or more) are employed in many modelling studies!

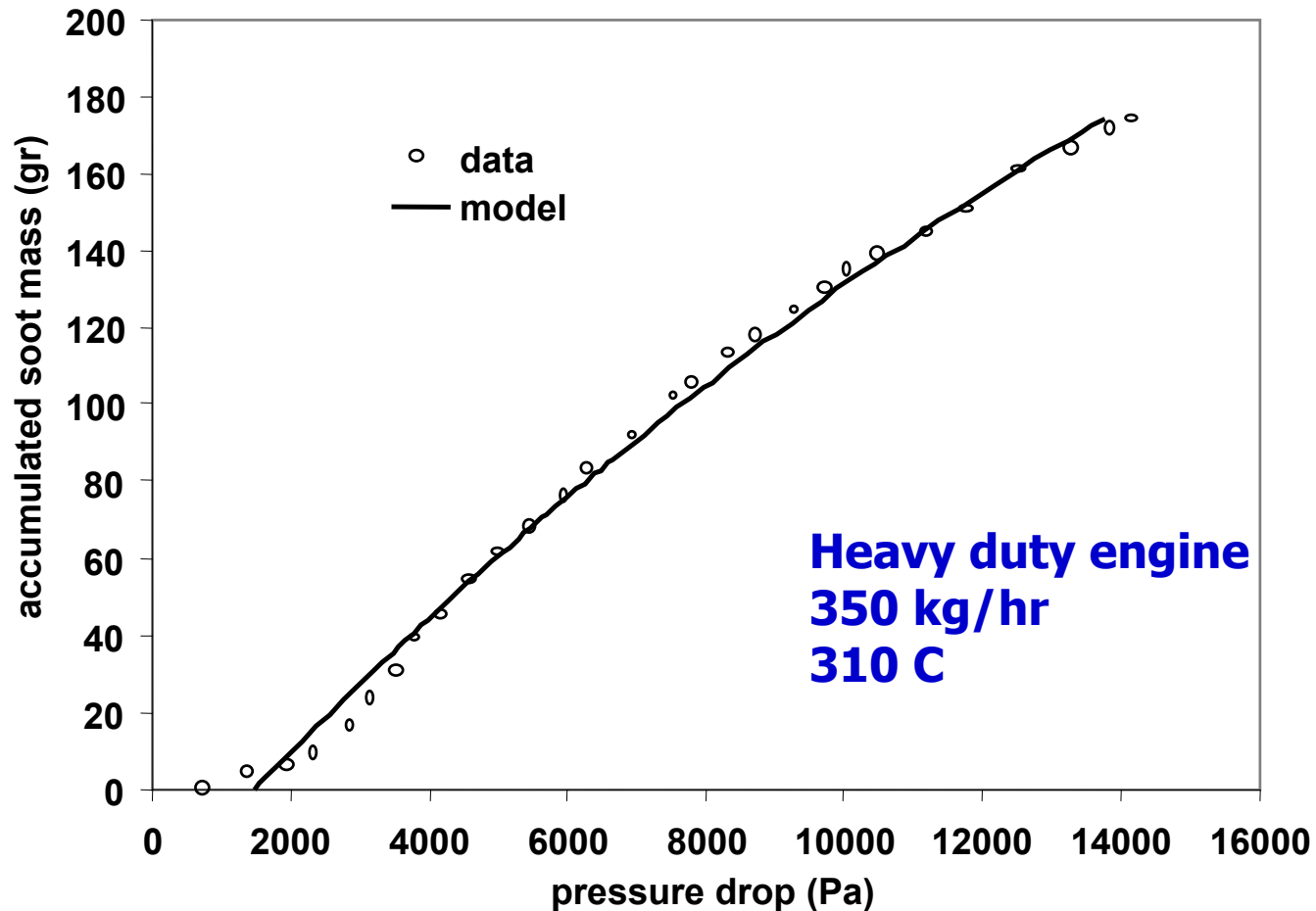
On-Board Soot Sensing

FUTURE EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEMS:
Assemblies of reactors, hardware and virtual sensors



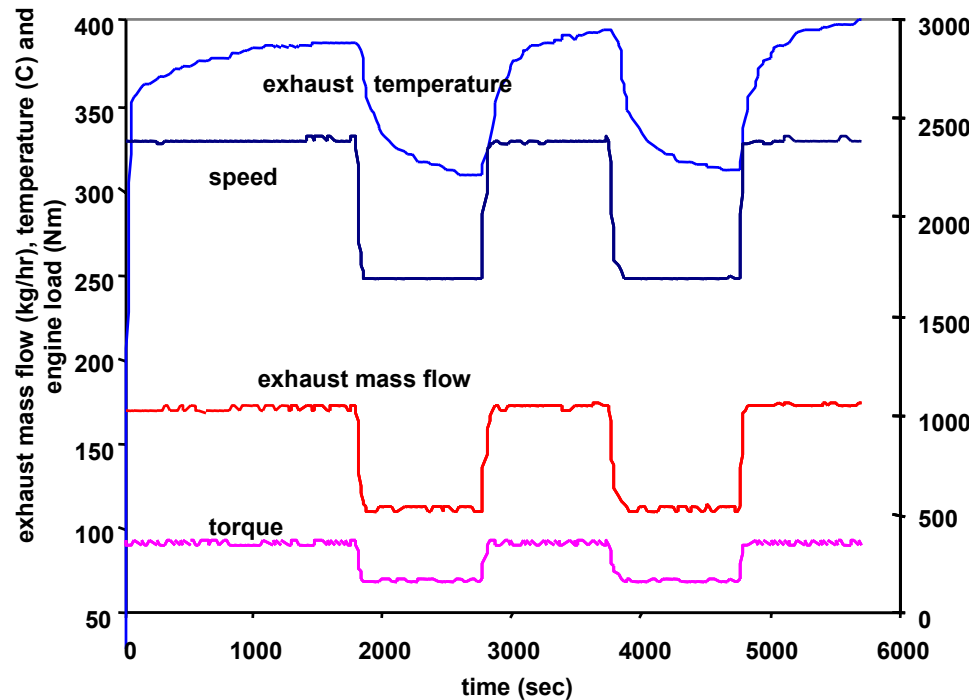
Estimation of Trap Soot Load (st. state)

Experimental data Johnson et al (1987)
SiC filter 9"x12" 60cpsi/31mil

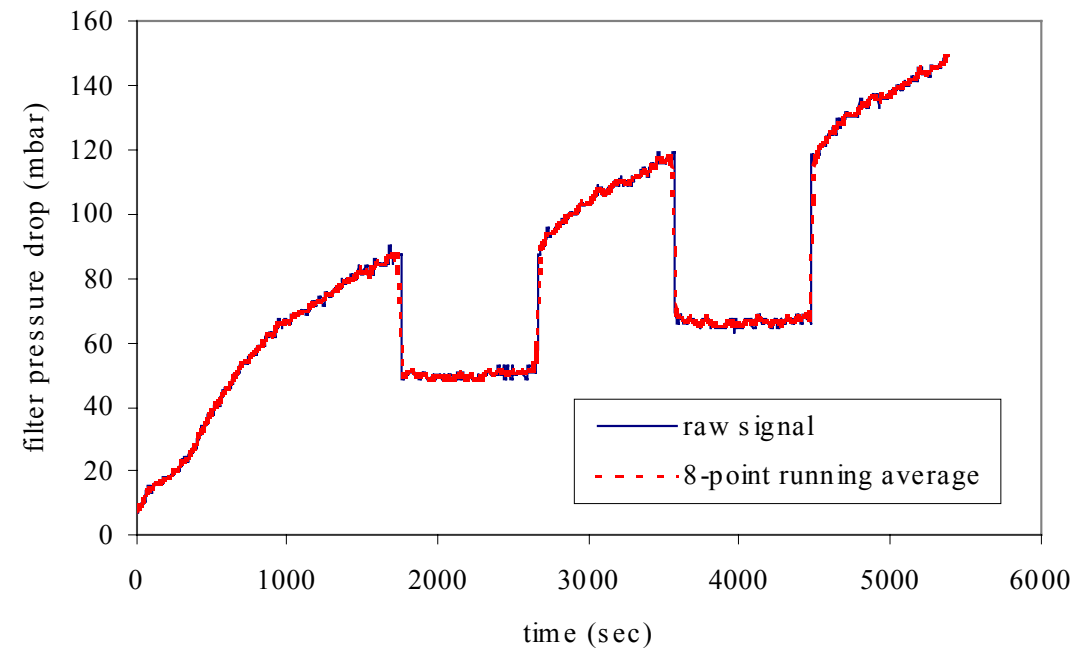


Model estimation of trap soot load (transient)

ENGINE DATA



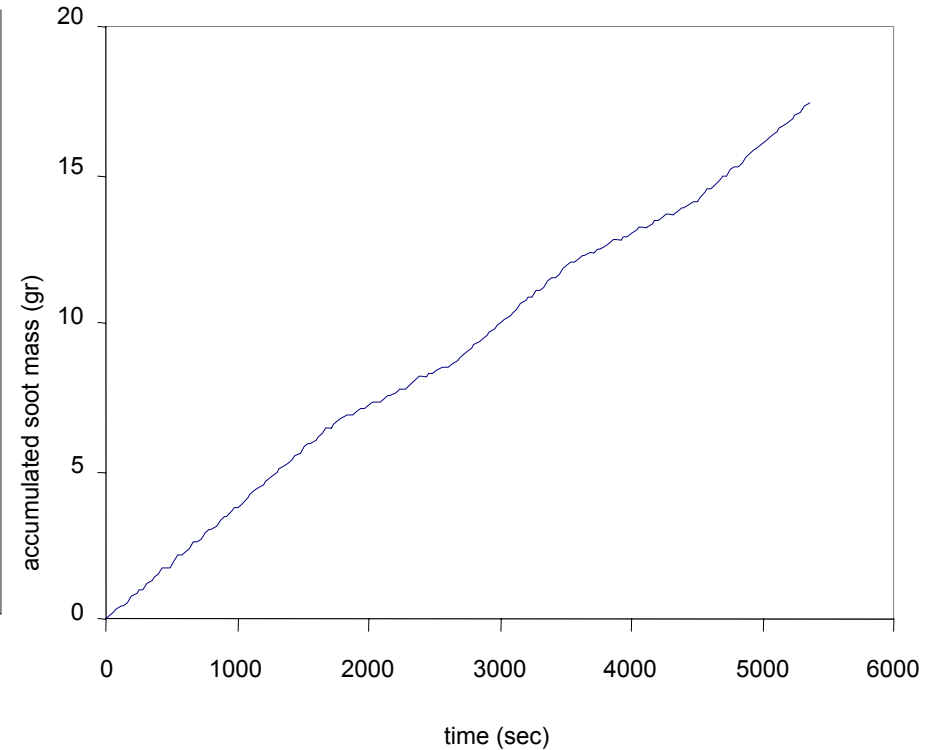
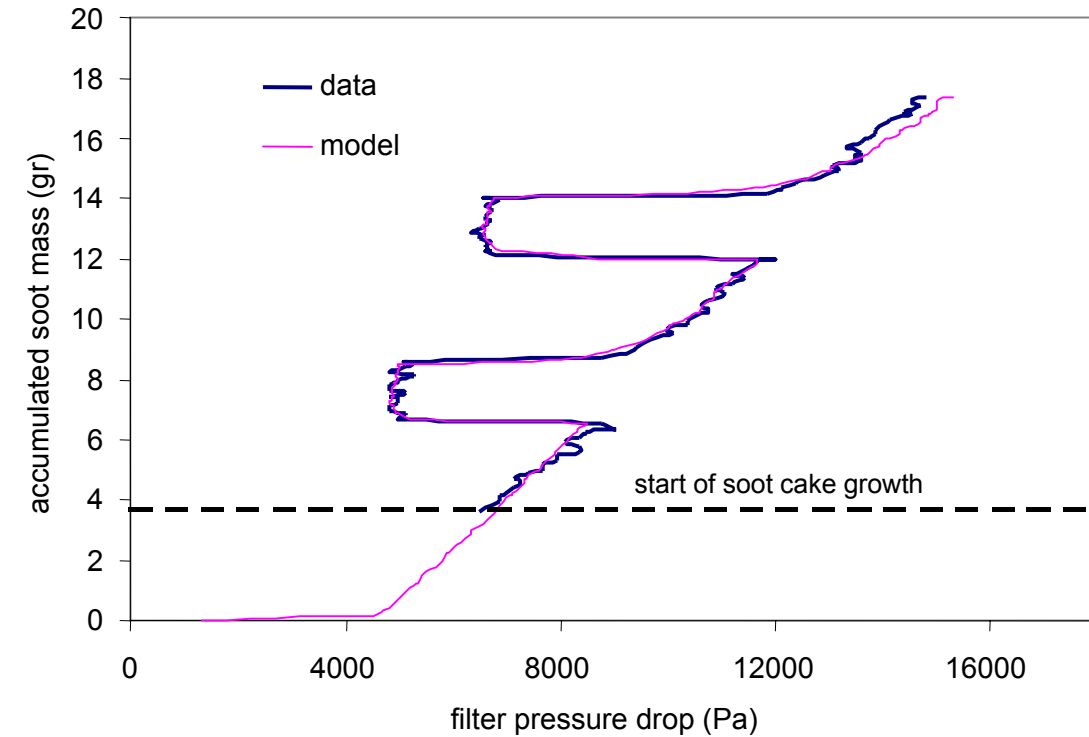
PRESSURE DROP



Experimental data CPERI, light duty 1.9 L engine
SiC filter 5.66"x7" 70cpsi/31mil

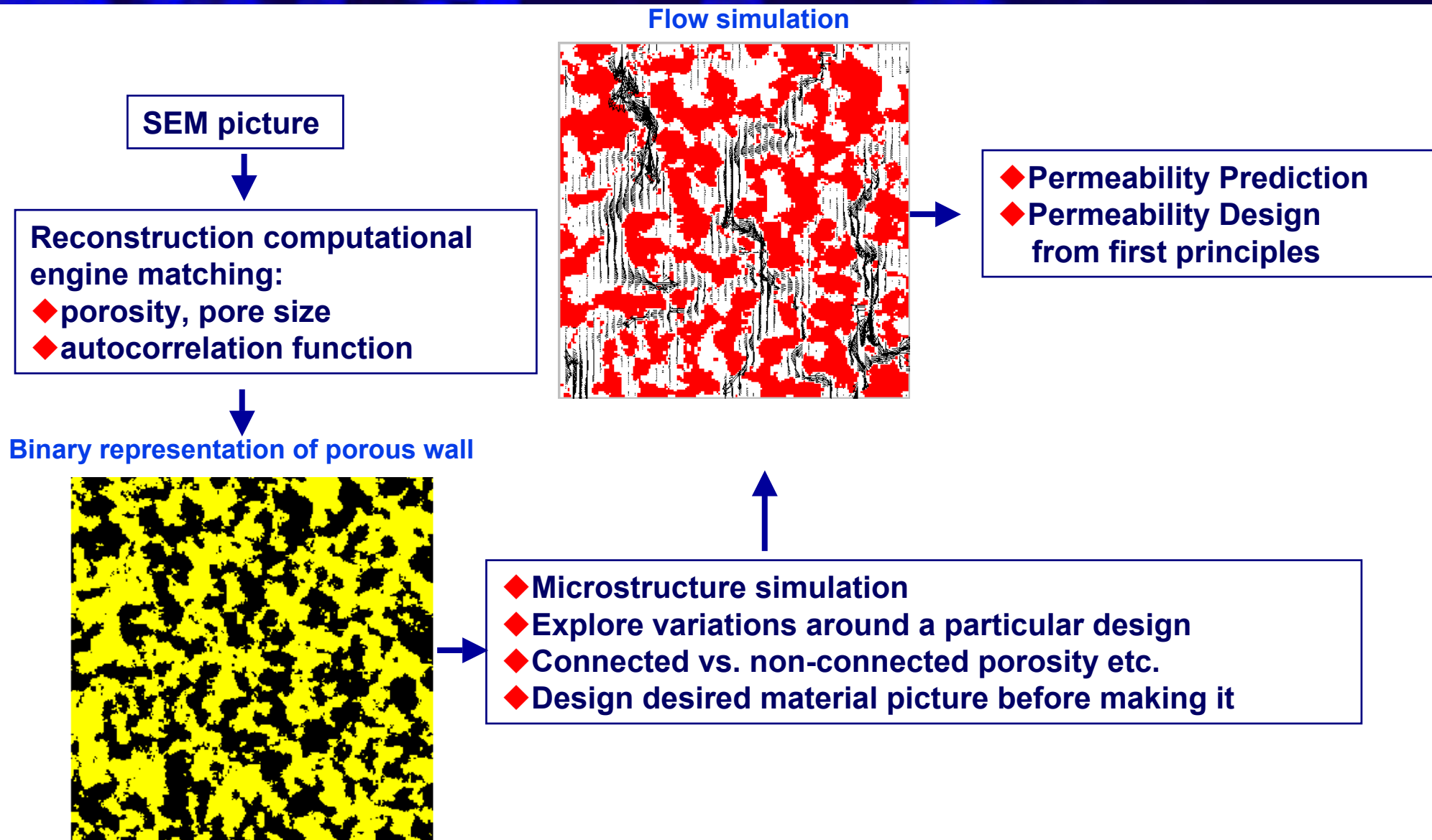
Model estimation of trap soot load (transient)

ACCUMULATED MASS ESTIMATION = 17.4 gr
MEASURED MASS = 15.2 gr



NEXT STEP: Microscale Flow Modelling

Kikkinides, Vlachos & Konstandopoulos (2002, in preparation)

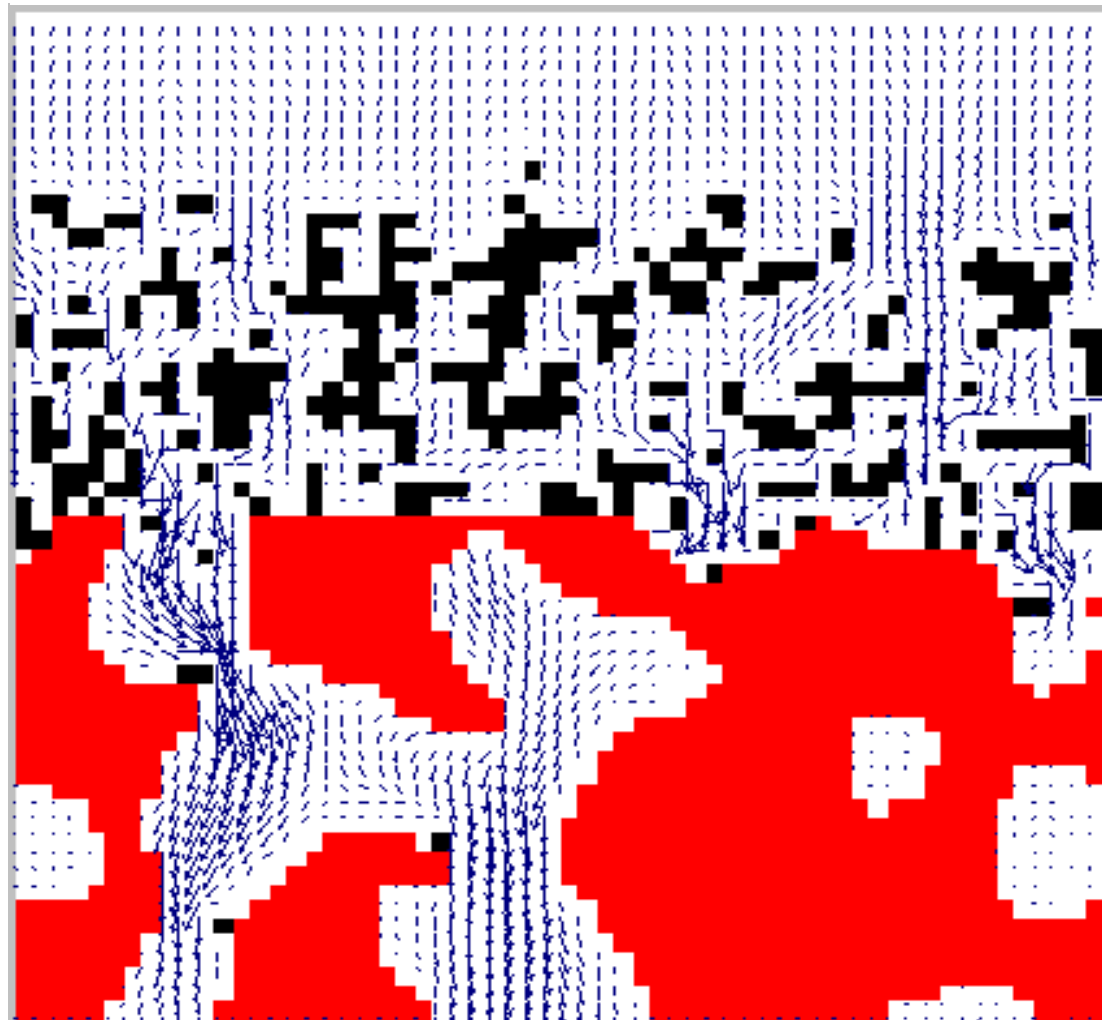


Microscale Filtration Modelling - 1

Kikkinides, Vlachos & Konstandopoulos (2002, in preparation)

Monte Carlo Diffusion-Convection Filtration Simulator

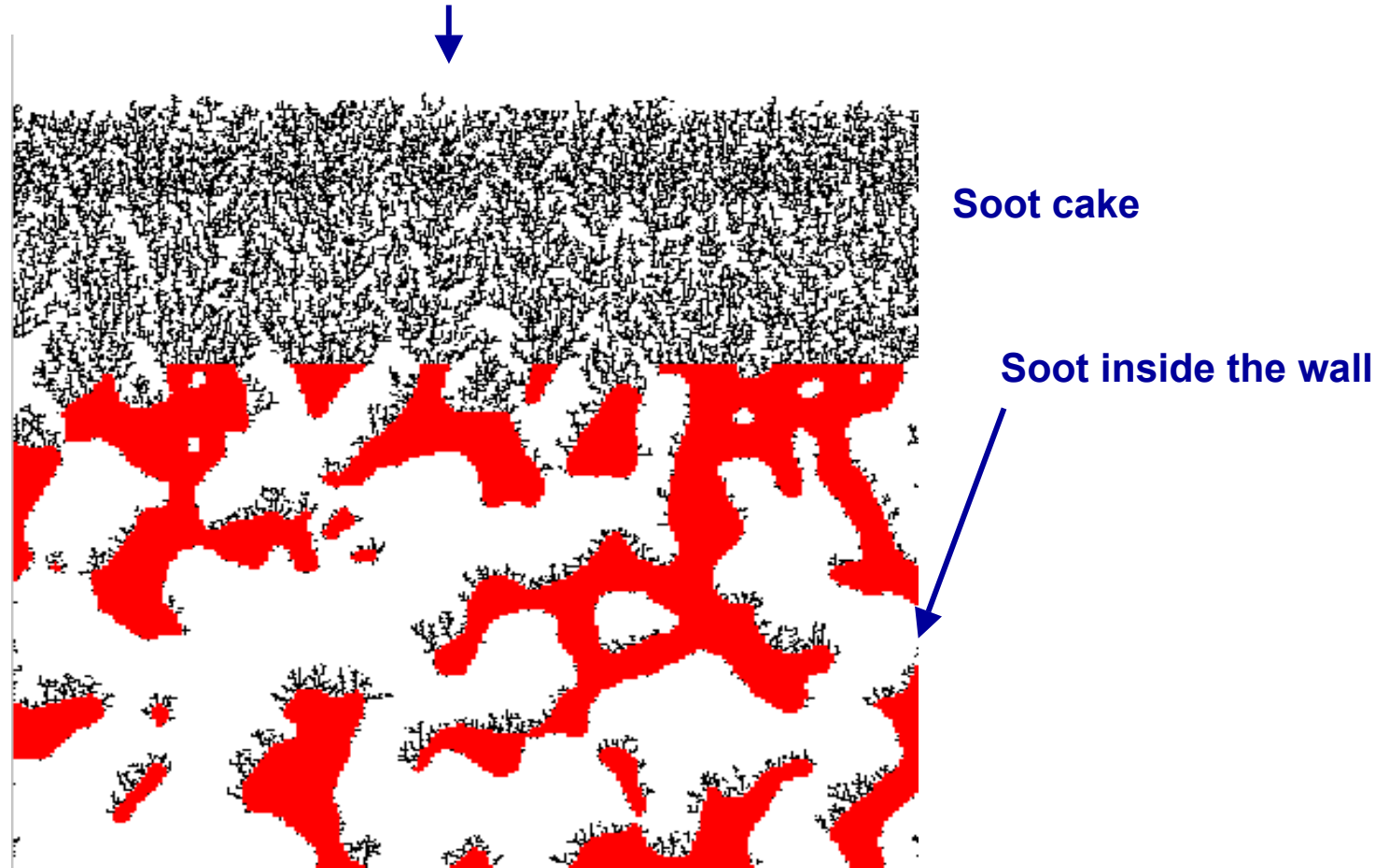
Flow
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Microscale Filtration Modelling - 2

Kikkinides, Vlachos & Konstandopoulos (2002, in preparation)

Monte Carlo Diffusion-Convection Filtration Simulator
Flow



Conclusions

- ❖ Understanding the structure of the soot cake is a prerequisite for the intelligent operation of Diesel filters and the practical estimation of their pressure drop for field applications.
- ❖ A key parameter that determines the resulting microstructure of the soot cake is the Peclet number for mass transfer.
- ❖ A non-destructive methodology has been developed for the measurement of soot packing density and permeability and their correlation to the prevailing Peclet number. The correlation is self consistent permitting the estimation of soot cake permeability from a knowledge of the soot primary particle size and vice-versa.
- ❖ The developed methodology can be adapted for on-board estimation of the trap soot load in real time

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Thank You For Your Attention