Modeling Radiation Effects in Mixing Layers

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Background/Goals

- Models of Rayleigh-Taylor and Richtmyer-Meshkov mixing layers are relatively sophisticated.
 - Multiphase flow models, turbulent models, hybrid models...
- Additional physical phenomena must be included for many practical circumstances.
 - Material strength, heat flux, evaporation....
- Goal: To develop a simple model to describe the effects of radiative heat transfer and ablation on a turbulent mixing layer.
 - Emphasis is on simplicity--fidelity will be assessed by comparison to experiment or simulations, possibly motivating additional complications.
 - Competition between instability growth rate and ablative growth rate; depends on the initial scale of the perturbations.

Strategy/Problem Formulation

- Multi-material flow formulation.
 - Appropriate for multi-material problems...
- Simple drag model for multi-field interaction.
 - May include more sophisticated models later, as needed.
- Radiation diffusion approach.
 - For simplicity...
- Simple heat transport model.
 - Heat exchange occurs in a thin "skin" of the cold material.
 - Heat transfer to cold material leads to ablation, not temperature increase.
 - Ablated "cold" material becomes "hot fluid" (e.g. melting ice in water etc.)
 - Cold material and hot fluid experience PdV work (and temperature change).

Heat Transfer Model

- Prescription for area for heat transfer per unit volume
 - Uniform distribution of "spheres" of varying sizes.
 - (Similar to simple spherical-particle model for multi-fluid drag models?)
- Quasi-steady state for local heat flux at particle surface.
- Model:

$$Q = \left(\frac{12\pi}{7}\right) \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \kappa(T_2)}{\rho_2 r^2 \left[1 - \left(\frac{3\alpha_1}{4\pi}\right)^{1/3}\right]} \left(T_2^4 - T_1^4\right)$$

• We also have an equation for r ("radius"):

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial t} + u_{1n} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x_n} = -\frac{r}{3\rho_1} \left\{ \frac{d\rho_1}{dt} + \frac{1}{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{Q}{C_{v1}T_{c1} + L_{H1}} \right) \right\}$$

Two-Field Continuity Equation

• Cold material (1) is heated and becomes hot fluid (2).

$$\frac{\partial \rho_k \alpha_k}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_k \alpha_k u_{kn}}{\partial x_n} = (-1)^k \frac{Q}{C_{v1} T_{c1} + L_{H1}}$$

- Material exchange rate is related to heat transfer rate, Q.
 - More complicated model could be incorporated, involving temperature increase and then "evaporation."
- Adjustable rate base on $C_{v1}T_{c1} + L_{H1}$

Momentum Equation

- Momentum equation
 - Changes in momentum enter through pressure and changes in mass fractions.

$$\frac{\partial \rho_k \alpha_k u_{ki}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_k \alpha_k u_{ki} u_{kn}}{\partial x_n} = -\alpha_k \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_i} + \overline{\rho} \kappa_D (u_{k'i} - u_{ki})$$

- Drag coefficient is based on a simple spherical particle drag model (courtesy of B. Kashiwa, T-3)(Note Re is very large...).
 - We need additional guidance from simulation or experiment to improve this model for ablating materials.

$$\kappa_D = \frac{3C_D}{8r} \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}{\rho} |u_1 - u_2|$$
 $C_D = 0.44 + \frac{24.0}{\text{Re}} + \frac{6}{1 + \text{Re}^{1/2}}$

Equations of State (present example...)

- Simple equation of state for sample calculation.
 - Model does not require a particular thermodynamic EOS.
 - May need better EOS for comparison to experiments.
- Hot fluid (2) has radiation pressure contribution.
 - May require radiation pressure and heat transfer/temperature increase in cold material if T_c is much hotter than T_1 .
- Pressure equilibration between phases.
 - Restrictive assumption-- presents difficulties when temperature difference is very large....

$$p_{1} = c_{v1}(\gamma_{1} - 1)\rho_{1}T_{1} \qquad p_{2} = c_{v2}(\gamma_{2} - 1)\rho_{2}T_{2} + \frac{4\sigma}{3c}T_{2}^{4}$$
$$I_{1} = c_{v1}T_{1} \qquad I_{2} = c_{v2}T_{2} + \frac{4\sigma}{\rho_{2}c}T_{2}^{4}$$

Energy Equation

• Energy equations

$$\frac{\partial \rho_1 \alpha_1 I_1}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_1 \alpha_1 u_{1i} I_1}{\partial x_n} = +P_1 \frac{\alpha_1}{\rho_1} \frac{d\rho_1}{dt}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_2 \alpha_2 I_2}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_2 \alpha_2 u_{2i} C_{\nu 2} T_2}{\partial x_n} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_2}{\rho_2} \kappa_2 (T_2) \frac{\partial T_2^4}{\partial x_n} \right\} + P_2 \frac{\alpha_2}{\rho_2} \frac{d\rho_2}{dt} - Q$$

• Opacity:
$$\mu(T_2) = \mu_0 \left(\frac{T_0}{T_2}\right)^3 + \mu_{scattering}$$

• Transmissivity:
$$\kappa(T_2) = \frac{1}{\mu(T_2)}$$

Turbulence Model?

- Current formulation does not have a detailed model for turbulence.
 - Need more comparison to simulations/experiments for motivation
- We could add hybrid multi-phase model.
 - Cranfill's hybrid model, Youngs model etc.
- Modification of turbulence model for ablated materials?
 - Fluctuating velocity is not solenoidal, pressure fluctuations tied to radiation (i.e., opacity....), and material transfer, et cetera.
- Such modifications would require simulations and experiment for guidance...

Sample Problem

- Problem is statistically one-dimensional.
- Hot fluid (2) is 1.5 keV, cold fluid (2) is 0.2 keV
- Boundary conditions:
 - Hot side (left) is constant temperature, no mass flux or velocity.
 - Cold side (right) is simple out-flow boundary (dp/dx = 0).
- Pressure equilibration in mixed zone requires some artful choices.
 - Assume that pressure in mixing zone has a smooth transition from hot side to cold side.
- Choice of constants based on iron properties (and expedience)...

Sample Problem Parameters

• Constants:

$$\Sigma_{0} = 10^{4} \frac{cm^{2}}{gm}, \qquad \Sigma_{scatter} = 0.2 \frac{cm^{2}}{gm}$$

$$C_{v1} = C_{v2} = 6.856 \times 10^{-3} \frac{j}{gm \ keV}$$

$$\gamma_{1} = \gamma_{2} = 0.6667$$

$$T_{c} = 0.2 \ keV, \qquad L_{H} = 0.2 \frac{j}{gm}$$
Pressure is in $\left(\frac{j}{cm^{3}}\right)$, Energy, I_{k} is in $\left(\frac{j}{gm}\right)$

















Conclusions

- Model represents a simple, tractable approach to account for radiation and phase change in a two-phase flow.
 - Length scale for radiation transfer (spherical model) is consistent with the drag model.
 - Can be extended to multiple fluids, and more complicated prescriptions for drag, turbulence, heat exchange.
- Demonstrates ablative phenomenon.
 - Have not fully explored parameter regimes.
- We now need detailed comparisons to experiments, simulations and observations.
 - Laser-driven flyer plates, Cepheid variables, Computer simulations.