

A Multivibrational Mode Relaxation Scheme for Two-Temperature Thermochemical State Models

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Preliminary

Consider compressible Navier-Stokes equations for two-temperature reacting flows:

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{S}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho_s \\ \rho \mathbf{v} \\ \rho E \\ \rho e_V \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho U c_s \\ \rho U \mathbf{v} + p \mathbf{n} \\ \rho U H \\ \rho U e_V \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n},$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{w}_s \\ \dot{w}_m \\ \dot{w}_E \\ \dot{w}_V := \dots + \underbrace{\left(Src^{T \leftrightarrow V} \equiv \frac{dE_V}{dt} \right)}_{\text{Translational-vibrational energy exchange source term}} + \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

: the **Landau-Teller** expression

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From Milikan-White [J. Chem. Phys., 1963]:

$$p\tau_{sr}^{\text{MW}} = \exp [a_{sr}(T^{-1/3} - b_{sr}) - 18.42],$$

where

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● Park et al. [JTHT, 1994] suggested a series of **tailored** a_{sr} and b_{sr} values for $CO_2 - N_2$. Camac [Cornell U. Press, 1966] values were used for $CO_2 - CO_2$.

● **No other values are available for general polyatomic molecules.**

Landau-Teller Expression in CFD

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 &\approx \sum_{s=mol.} \rho_s \frac{C_{vv,s}(T - T_v)}{\tilde{\tau}_s} = \frac{\rho C_{vv}(T - T_v)}{\bar{\tau}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\tau} = \frac{\sum_{s=mol.} \rho_s C_{vv,s}}{\sum_{s=mol.} \frac{\rho_s C_{vv,s}}{\tilde{\tau}_s}} \approx \frac{\sum_{s=mol.} \frac{\rho_s}{MW_s}}{\sum_{s=mol.} \frac{\rho_s}{MW_s \tilde{\tau}_s}}$$

to account for elastic collisions

$$\Rightarrow : f(\tau_{sr}^{Millikan-White}) + \tilde{\tau}_s^{Park}(T)$$



Objective

To develop an effective vibrational relaxation time $\bar{\tau}$ for *generic* molecules that directly depends on species **vibrational frequencies**.



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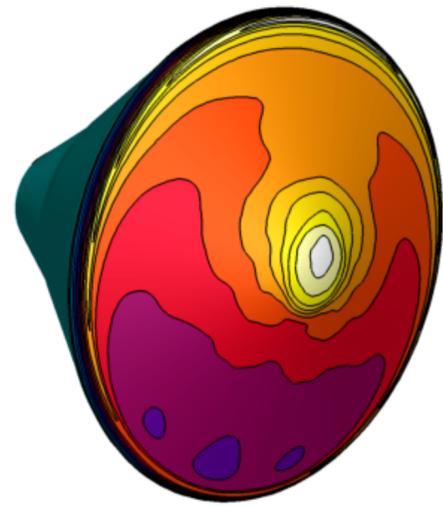
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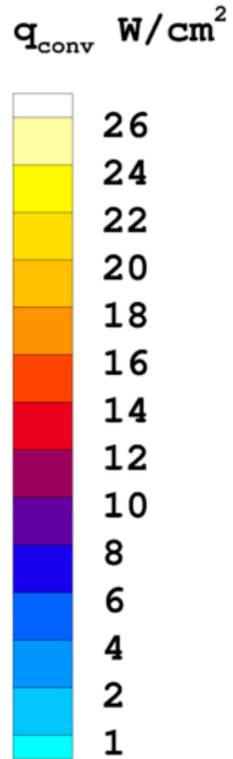
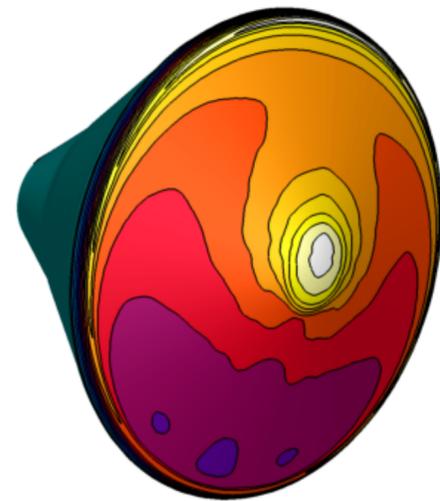
For molecules with single vibrational mode: $\tilde{\tau}_s^{MM} = \tilde{\tau}_s$

Application on CO₂ Mixture

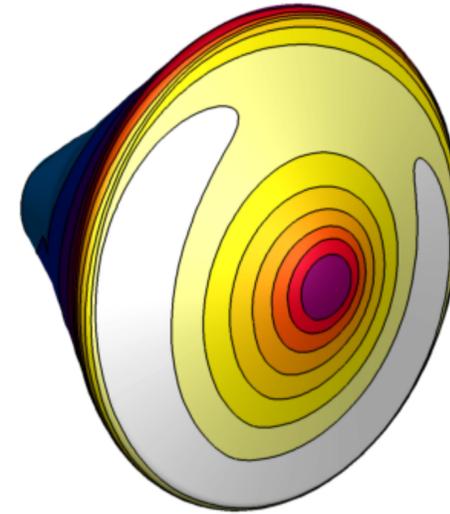
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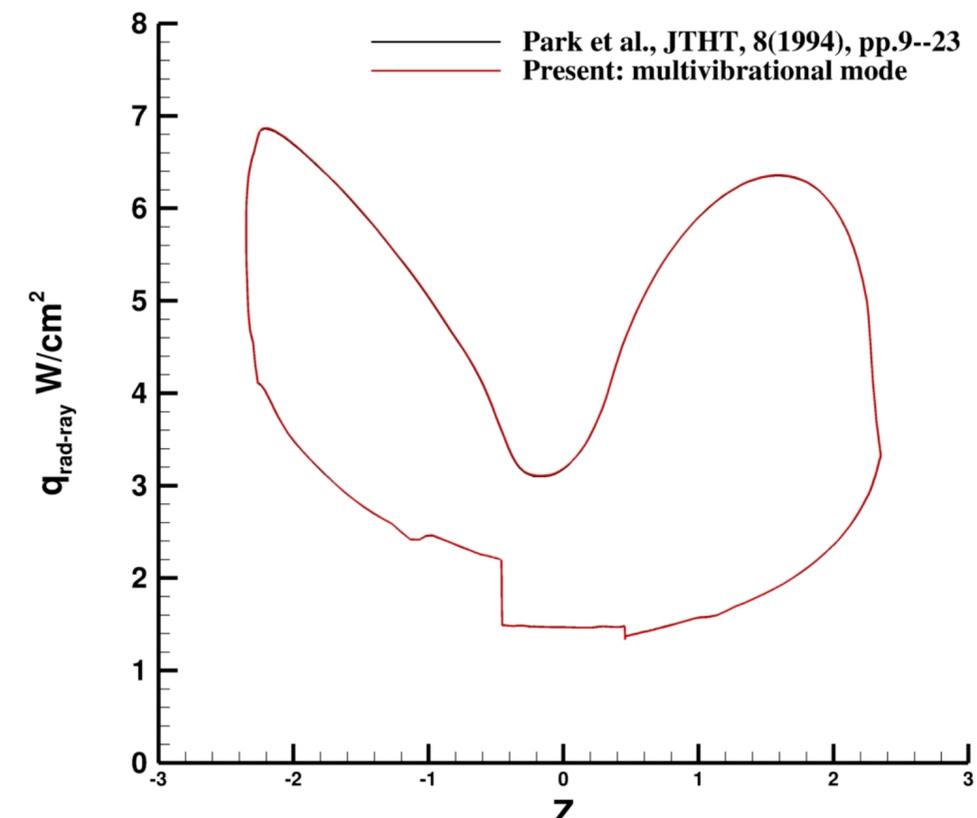
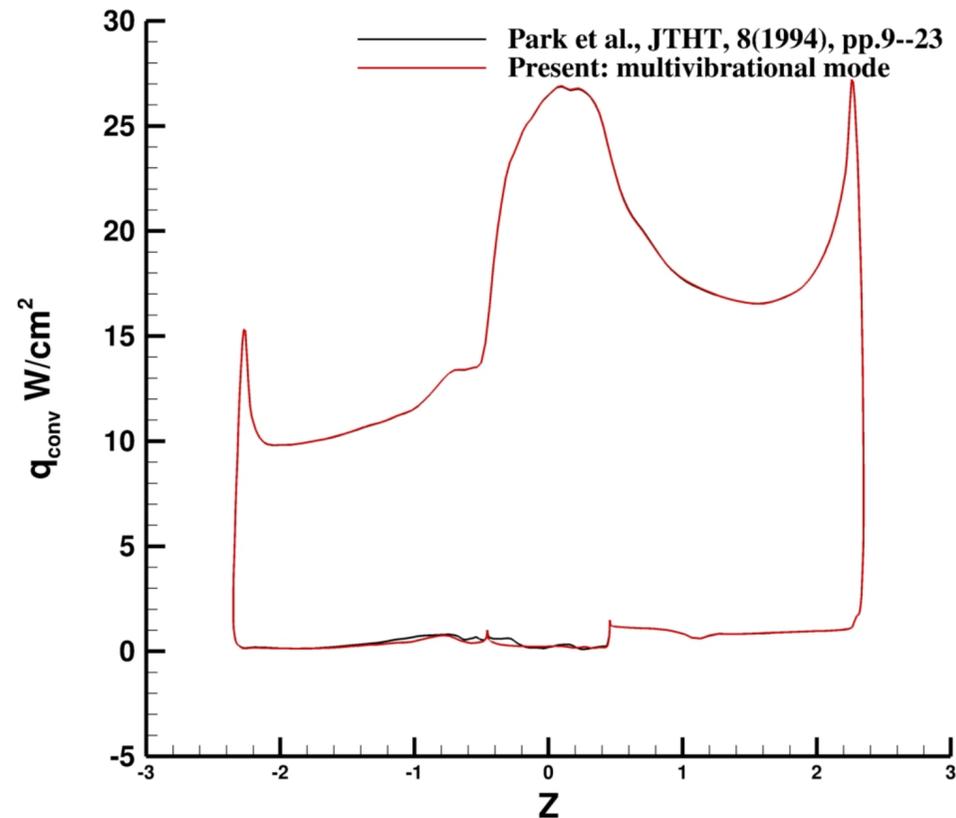
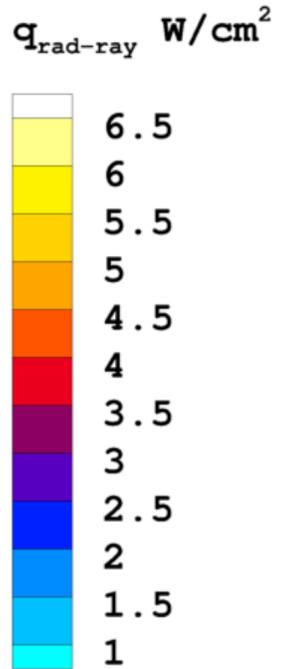
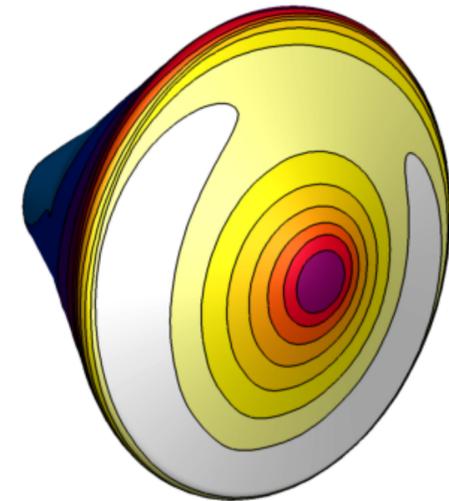
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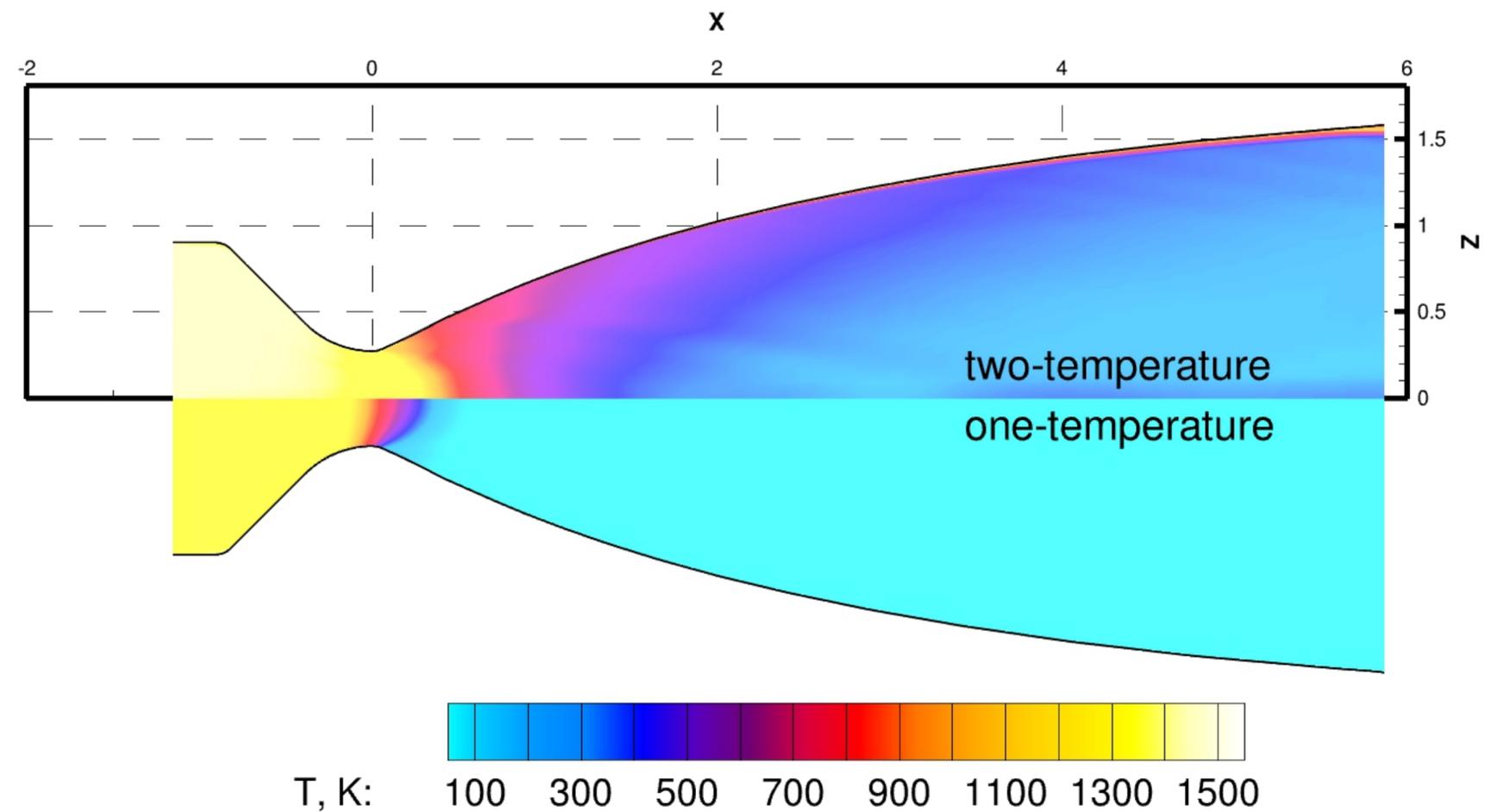


Application on non-CO₂ Mixture



NH₃ – N₂ gas mixture

Accounting for thermal nonequilibrium could drastically change the temperature profile.

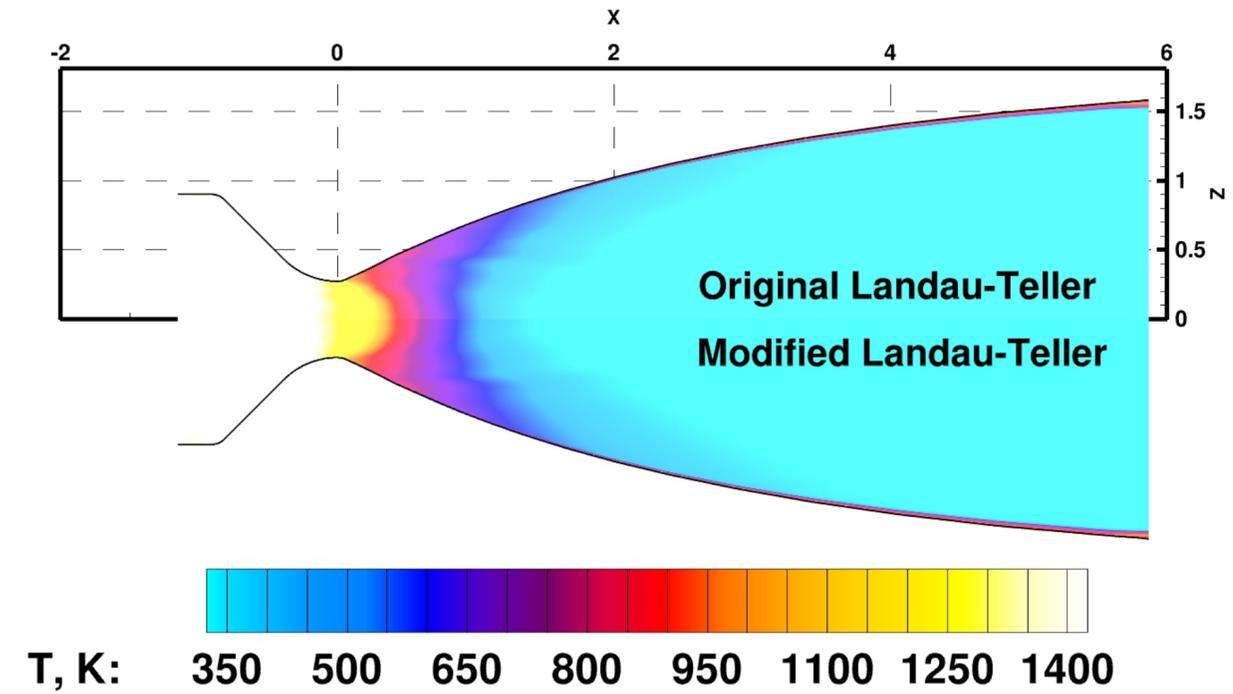


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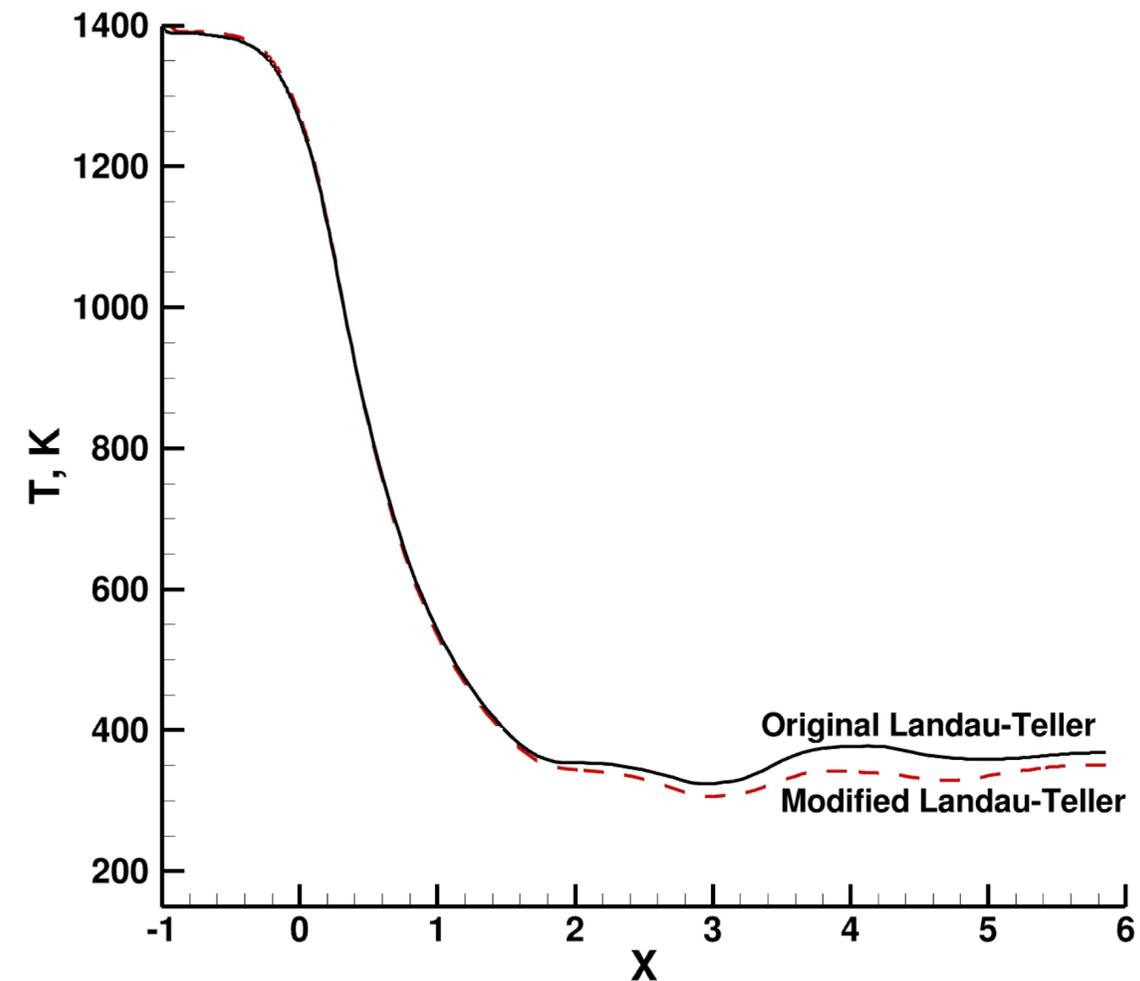
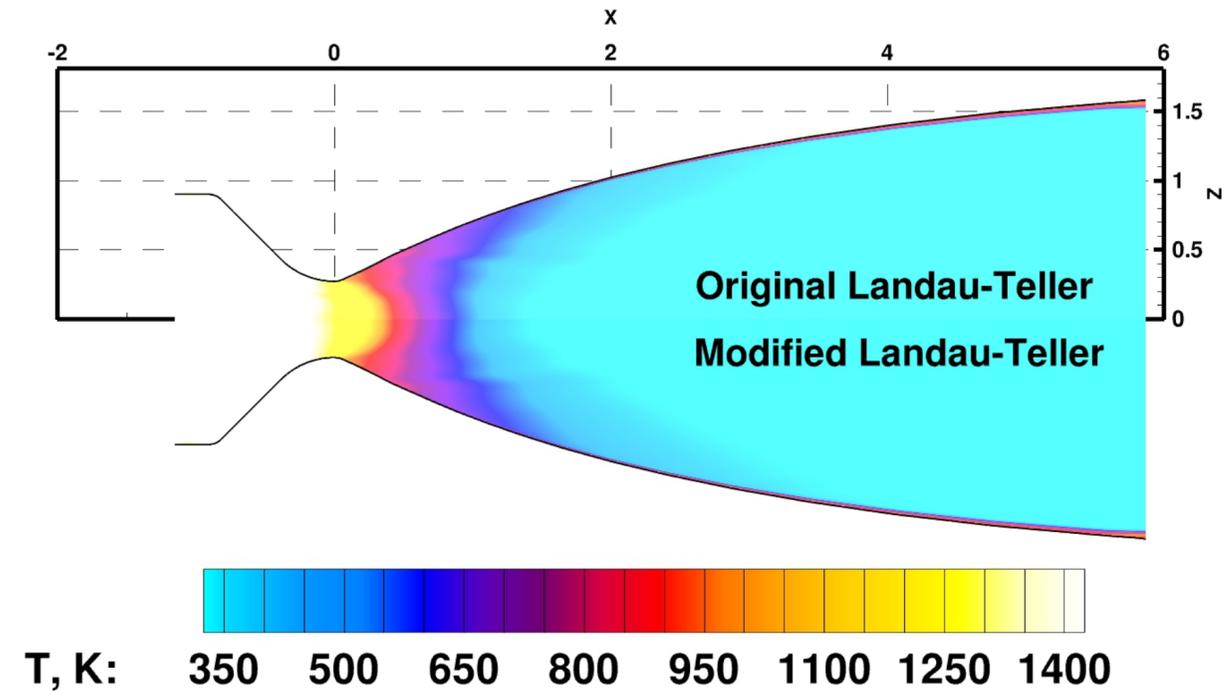
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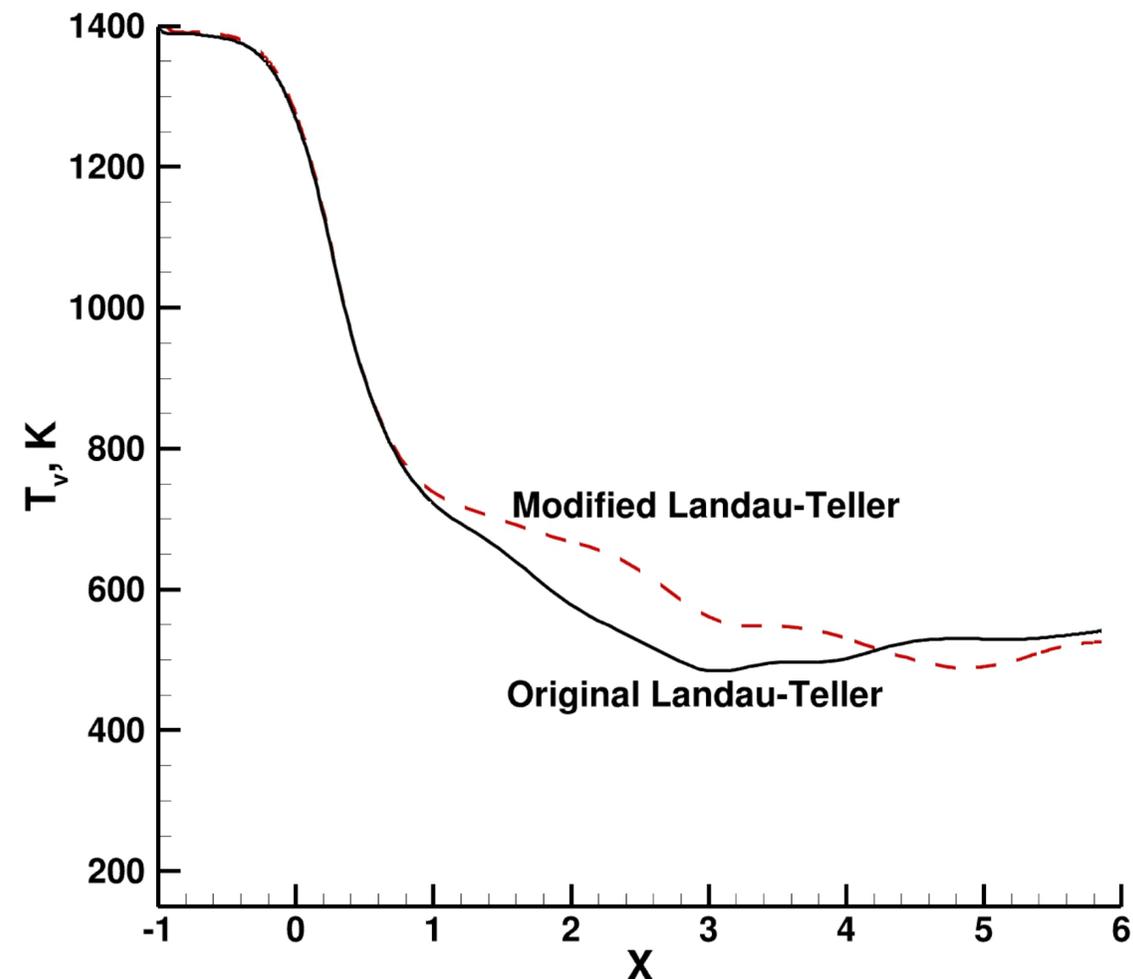
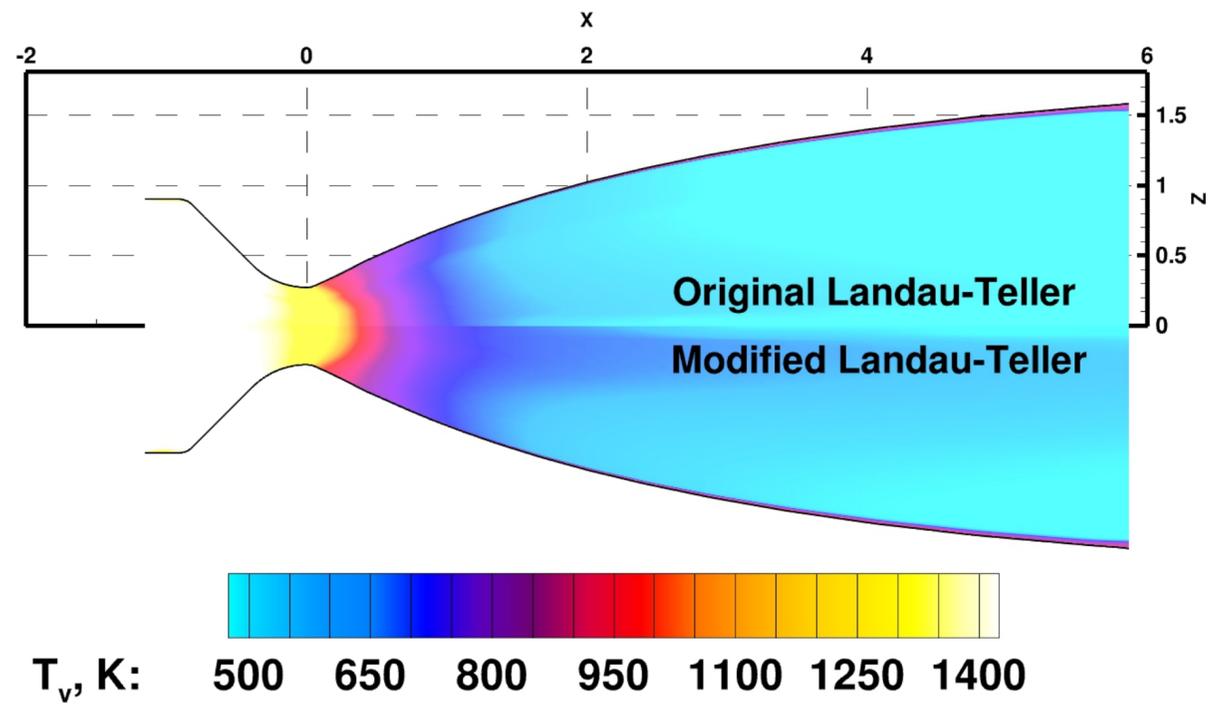
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Contributions

- A new multivibrational relaxation procedure was developed
- The new scheme was shown to be in excellent agreement against the Park's 1994 model for the Martian atmosphere.
- The proposed scheme is applicable to generic molecules that have multiple vibrational frequencies.



Backups

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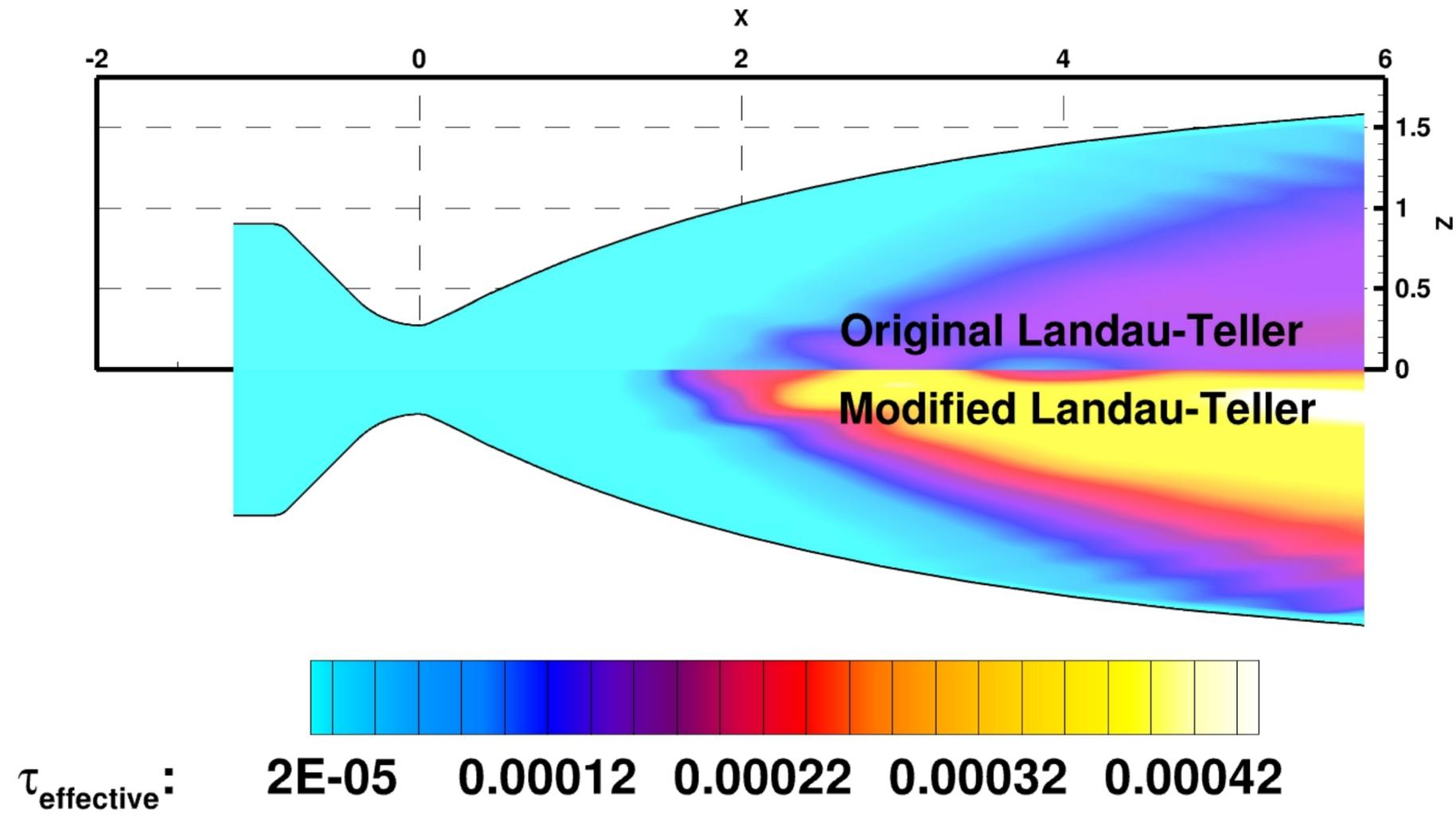
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Some polyatomic molecules, such as CO_2 and NH_3 , has **multiple** vibrational frequencies and characteristic vibrational temperatures. **Thus, the above formula is not directly applicable to those molecules.**

For $CO_2 - N_2$, Park et al. [JTHT, 1994] suggested a series of **tailored** values for a_{sr} and b_{sr} .

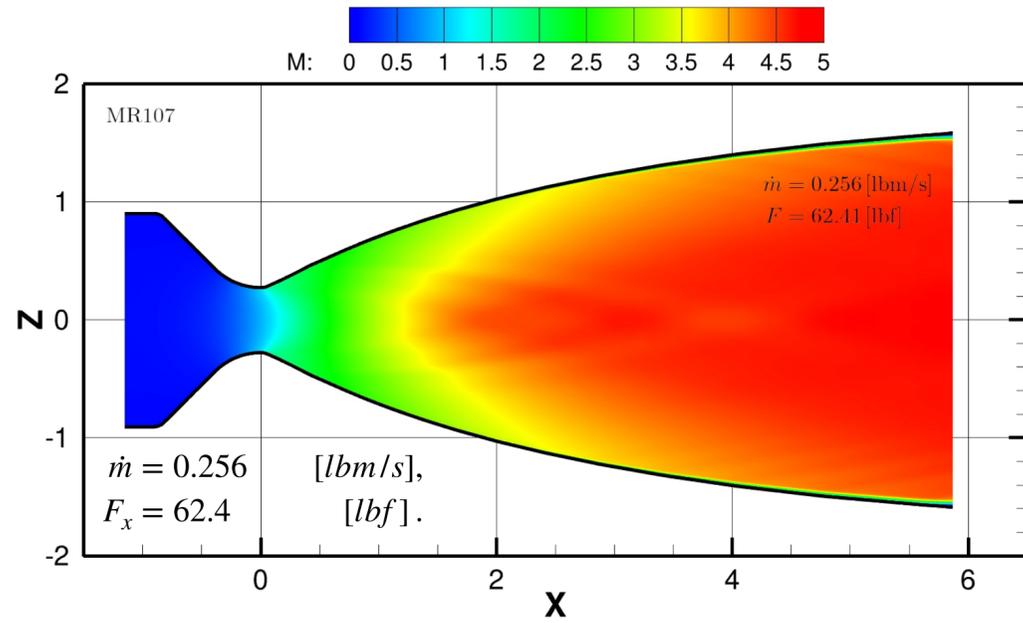
$NH_3 - N_2$ gas mixture



Test Case 1: MR107

One-Temperature

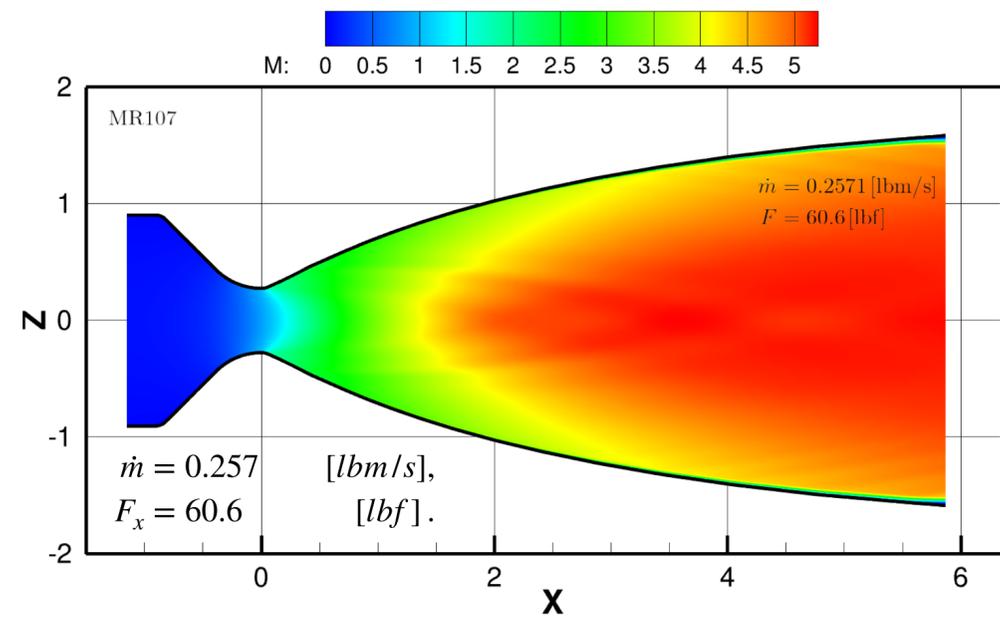
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Two-Temperature w/lump sum relaxation time

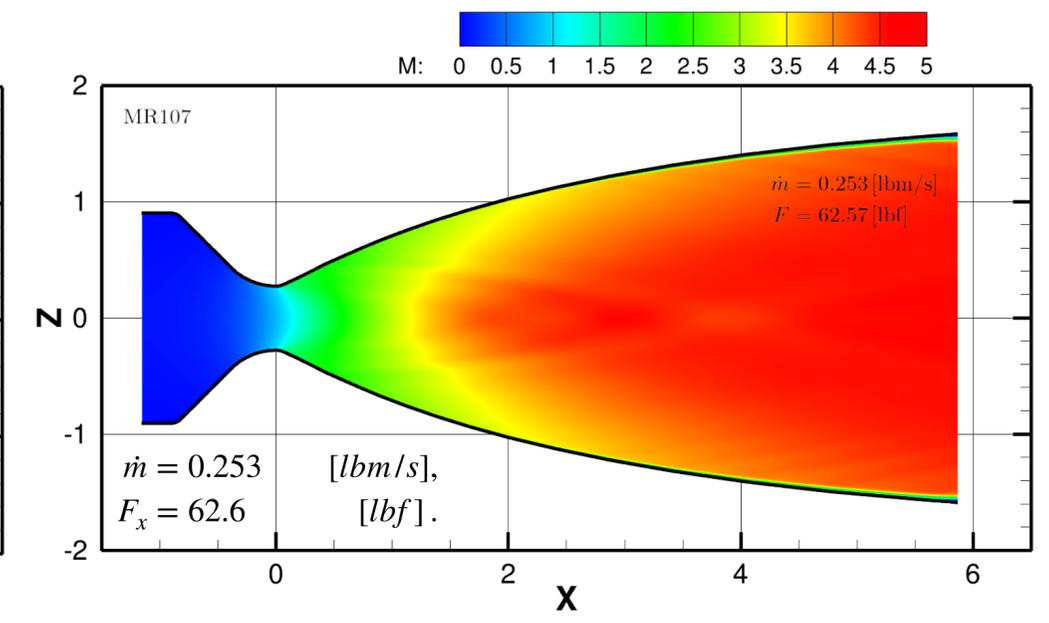
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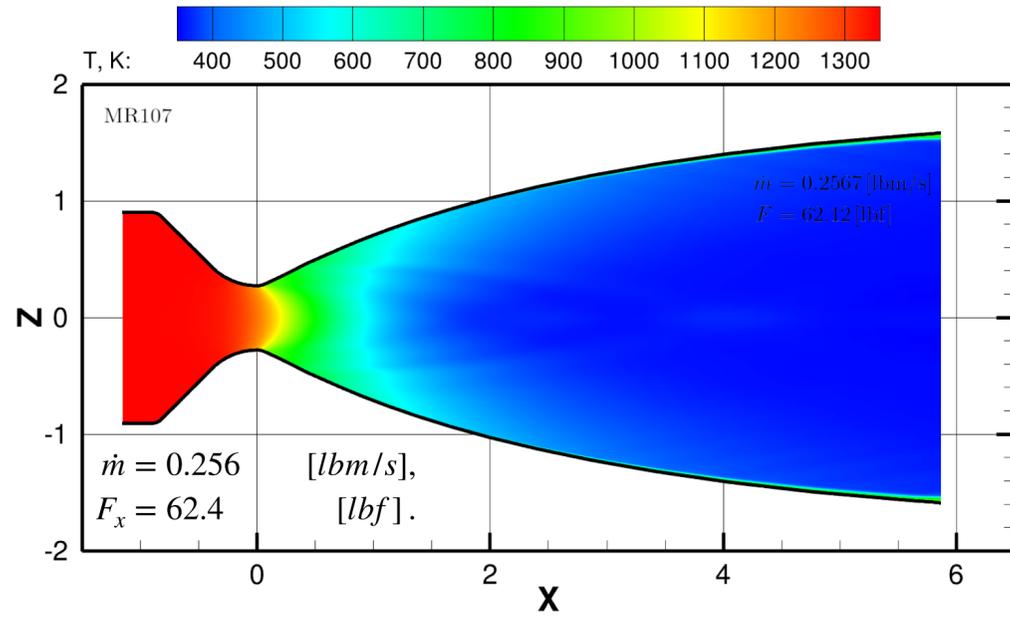


- The lump sum approach with single characteristic temperature of 3500K underpredicts the RCS thrust.
- One-temperature and two-temperature multimode approaches predict comparable RCS thrust.

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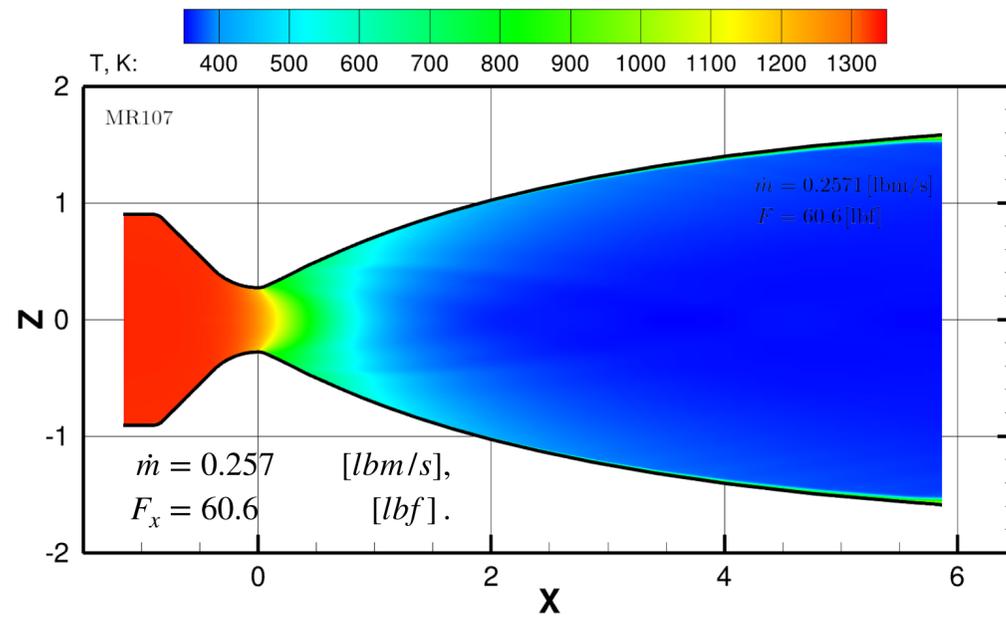
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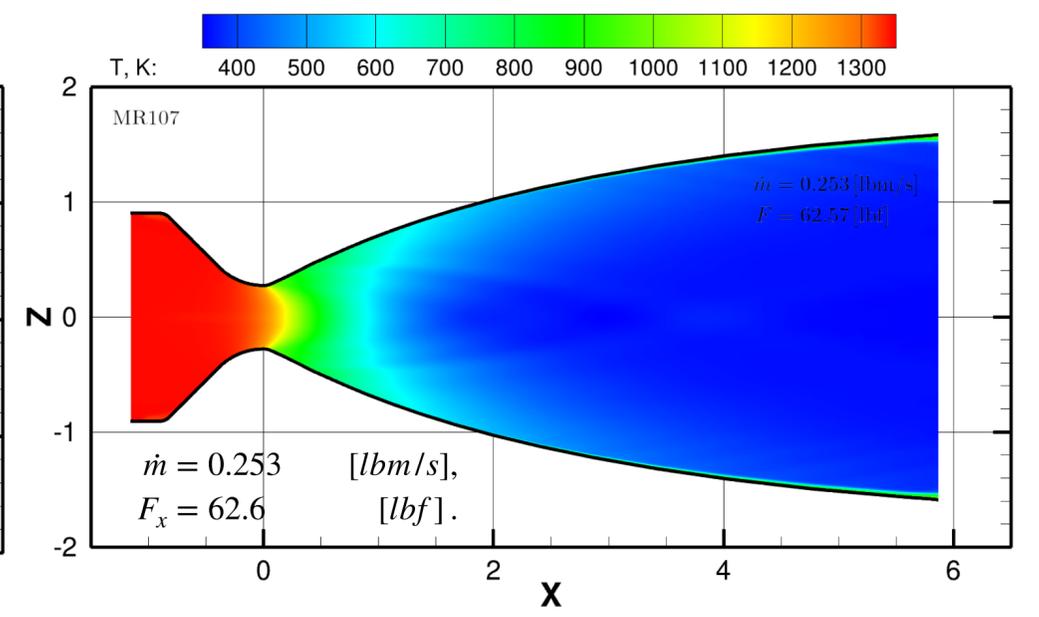
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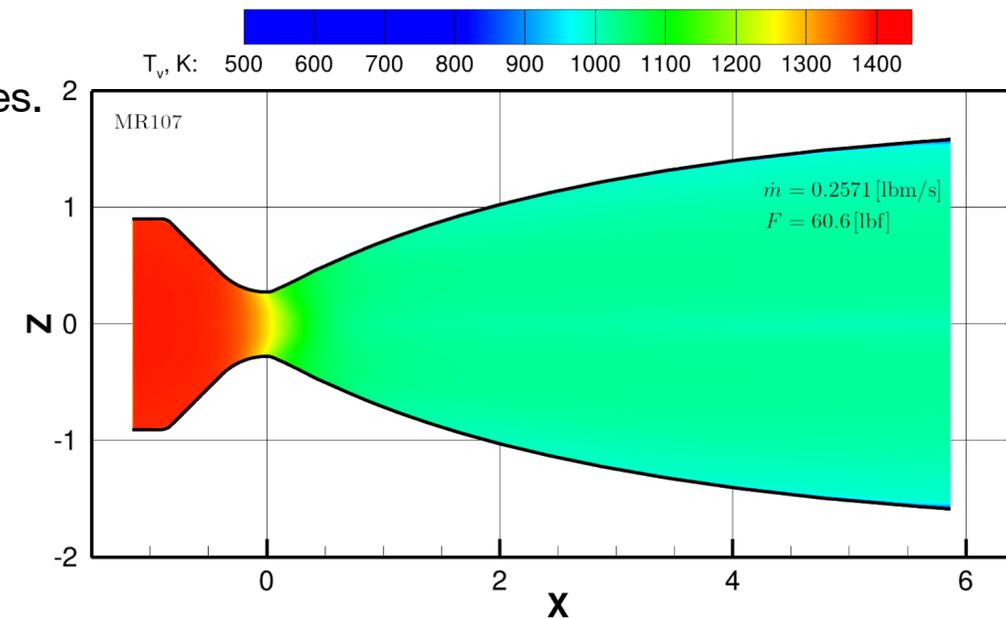


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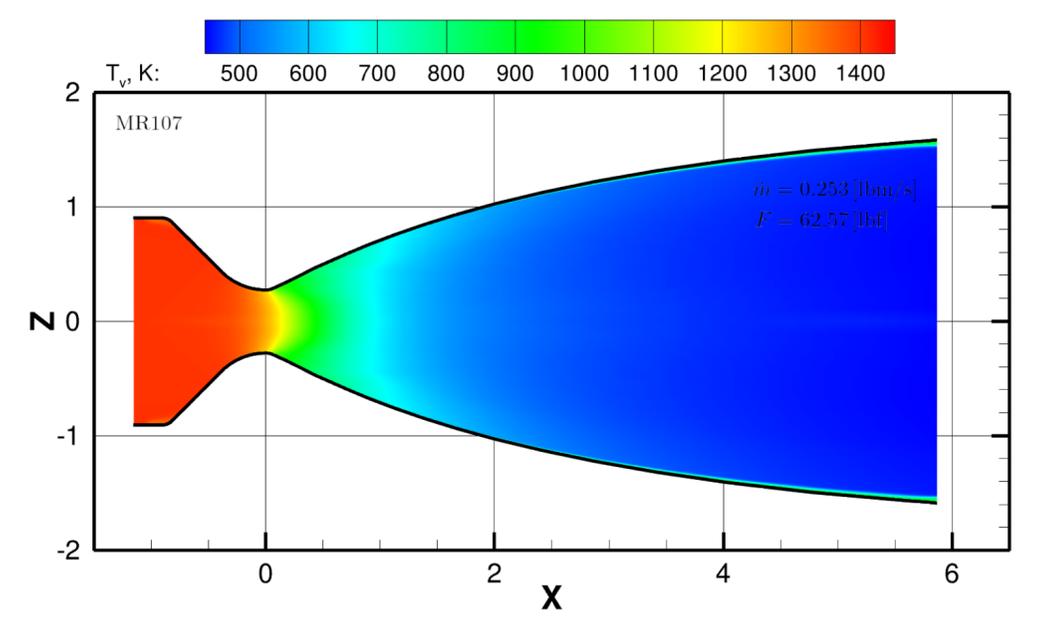
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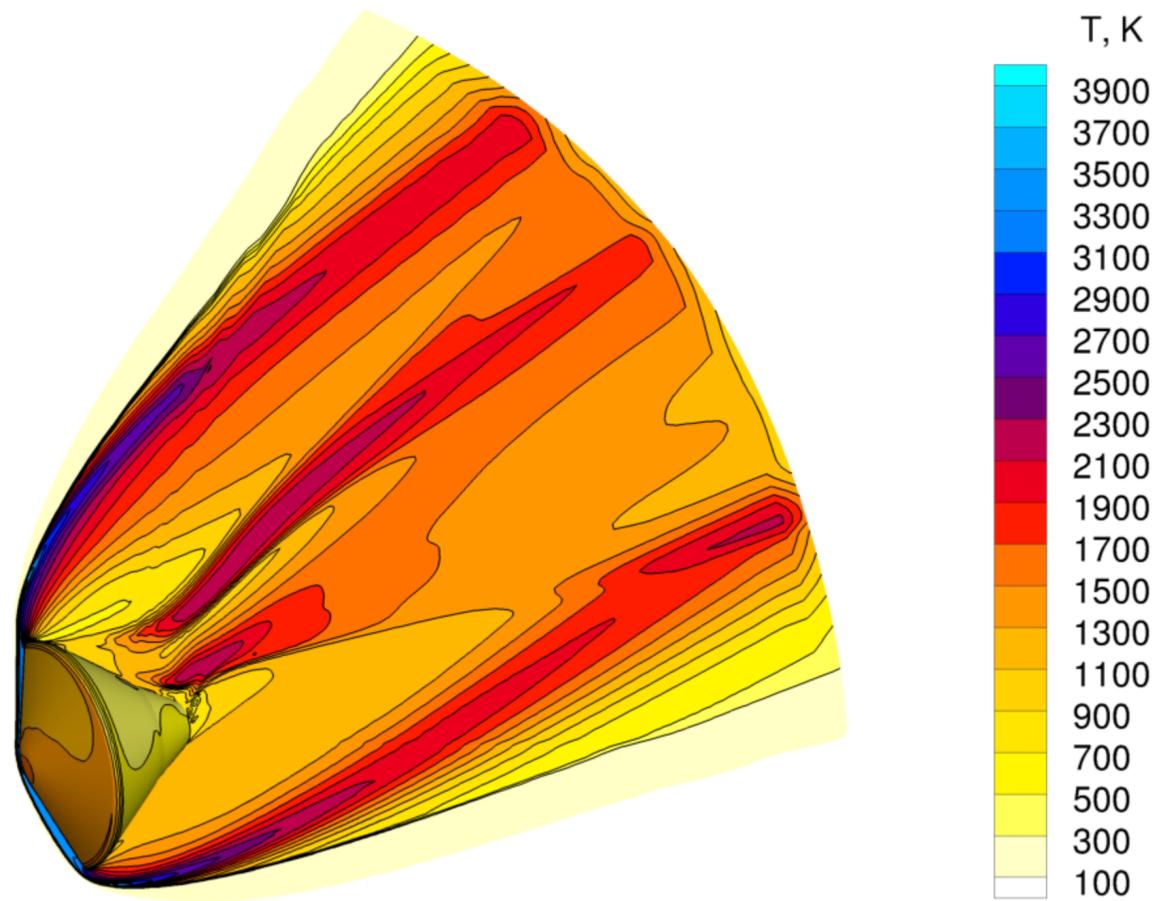
- Comparable nozzle temperature with either approaches.
- Cooler vibrational temperature with the multimode relaxation approach compared with a lump sum approach and single characteristic temperature of 3500K.
- Comparable enthalpy with either of the approaches.

Test Case 2: SRL



Park model

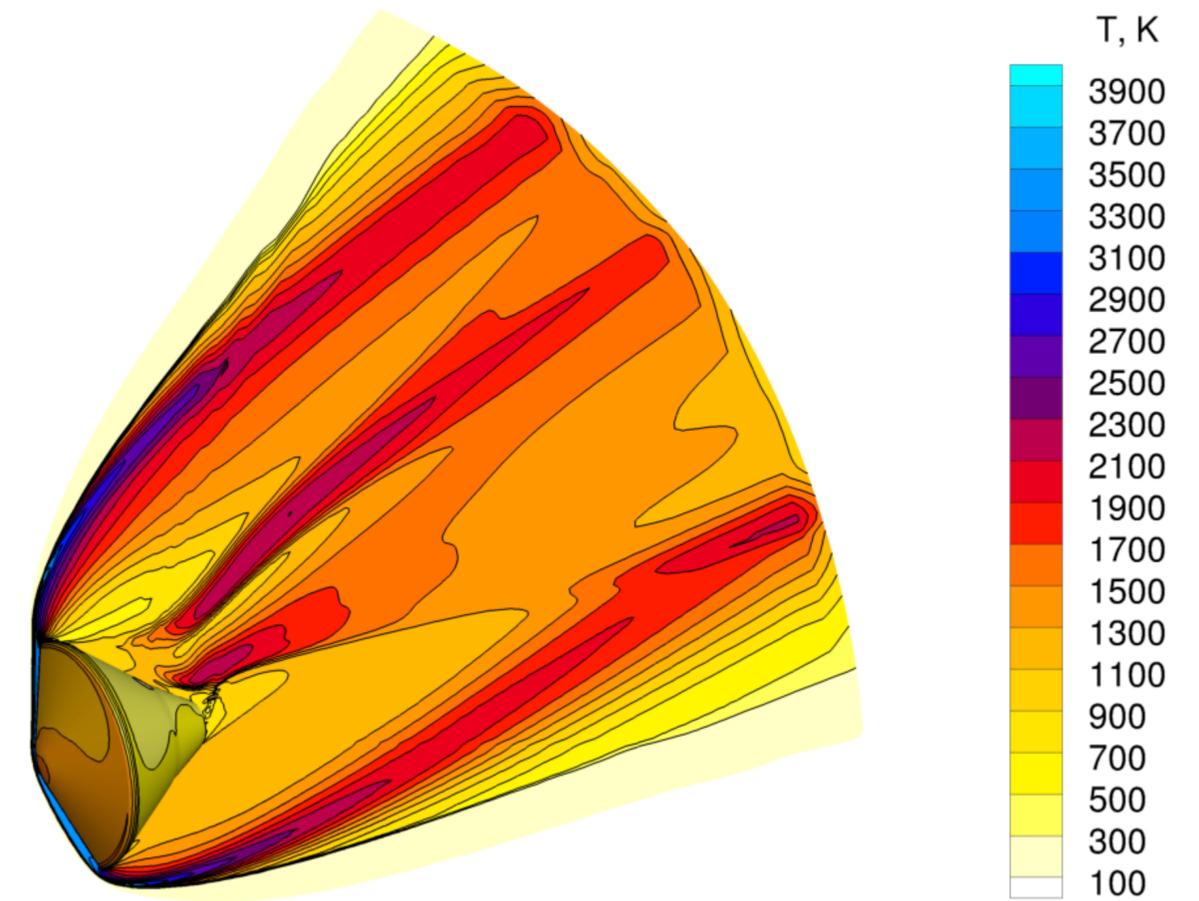
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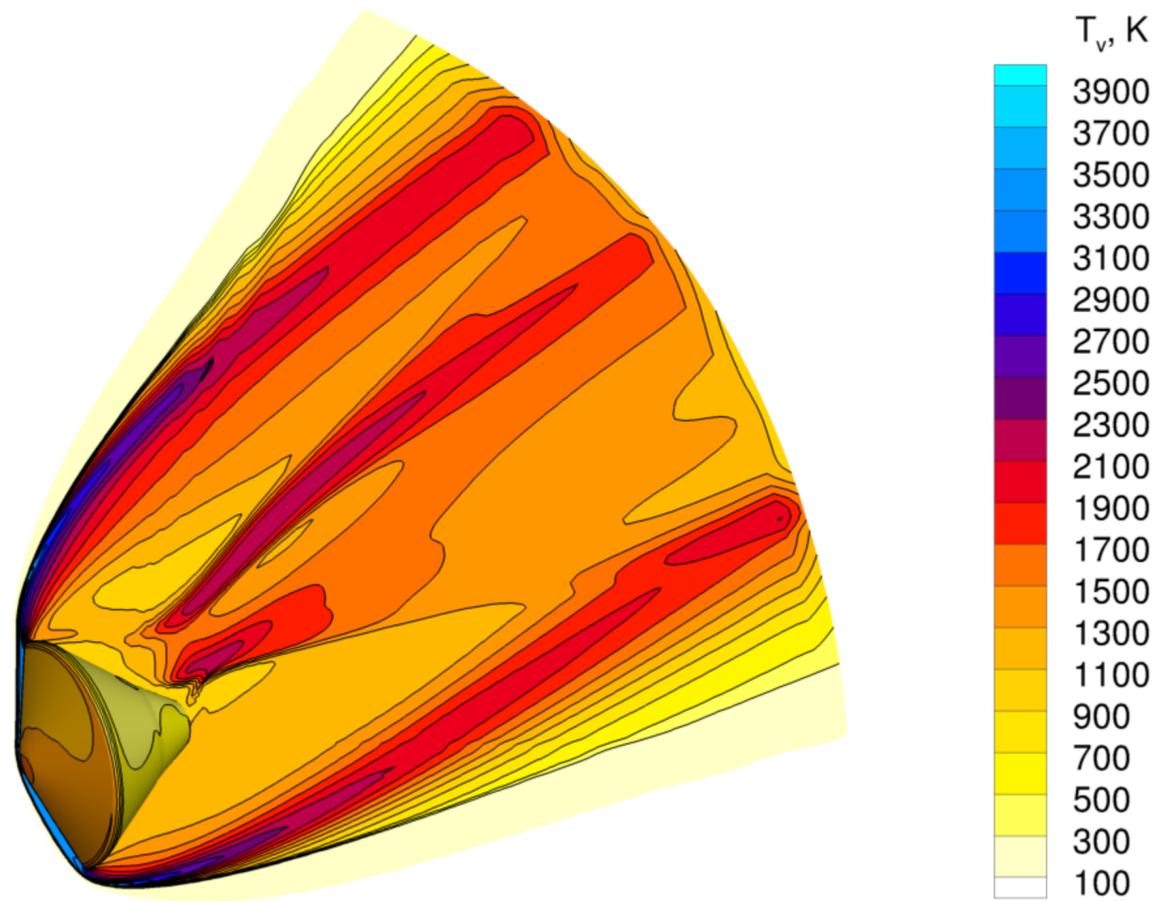
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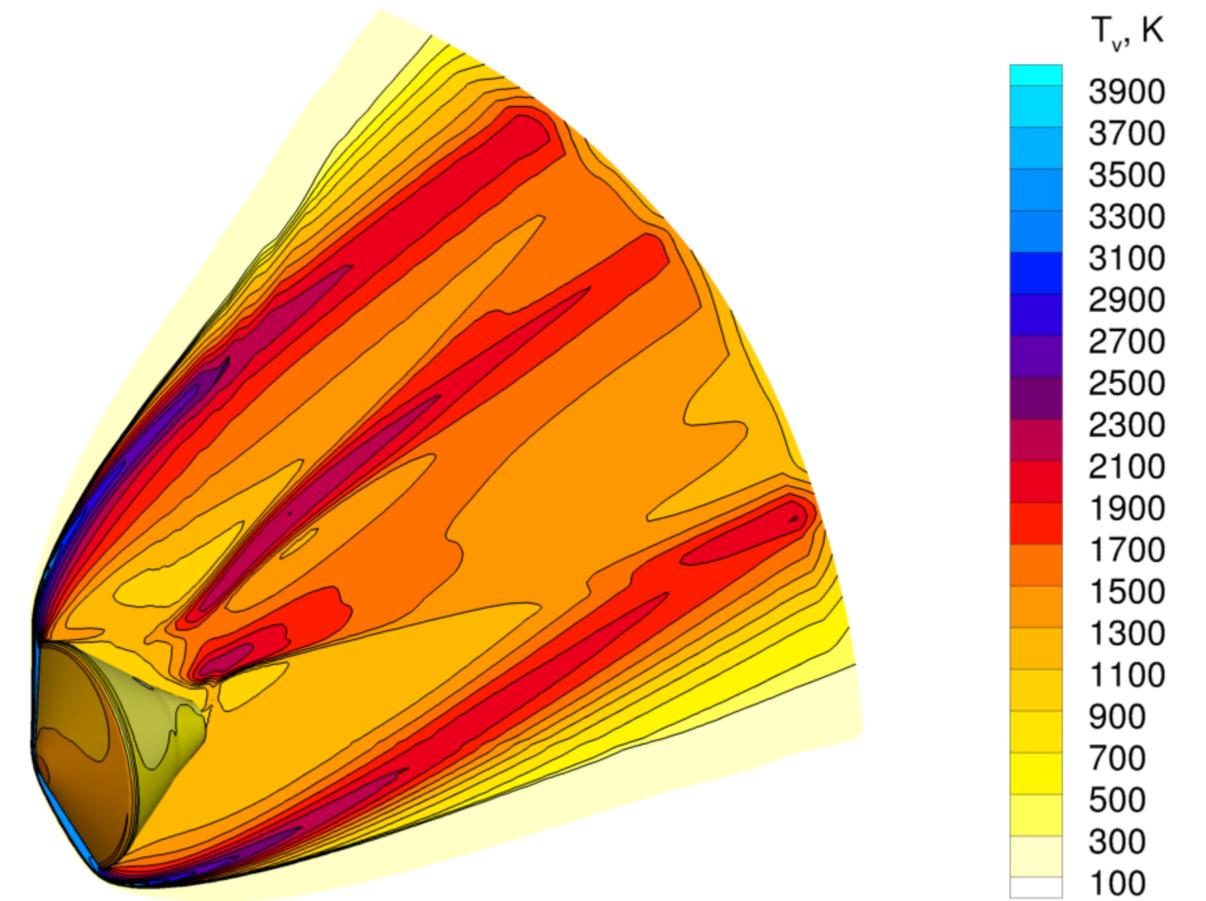
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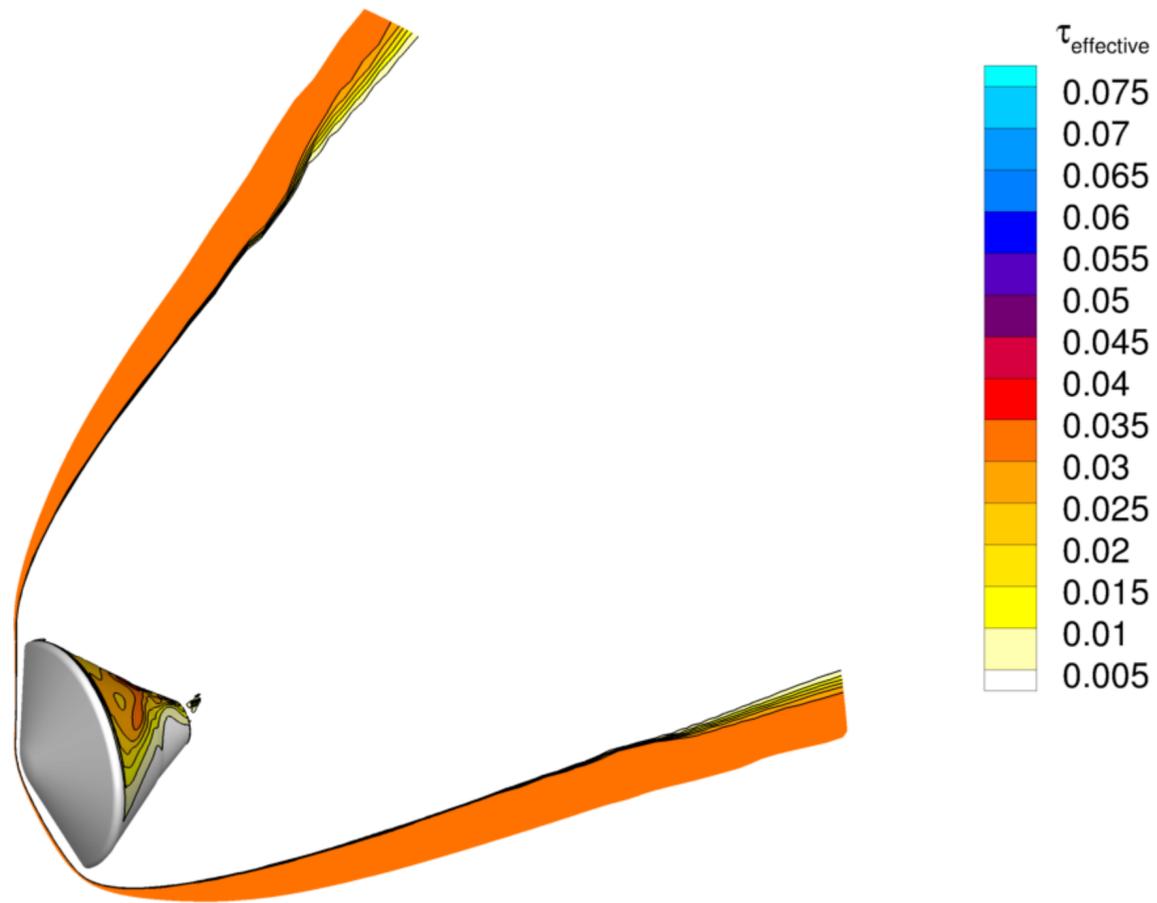
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Test Case 2: SRL



Park model

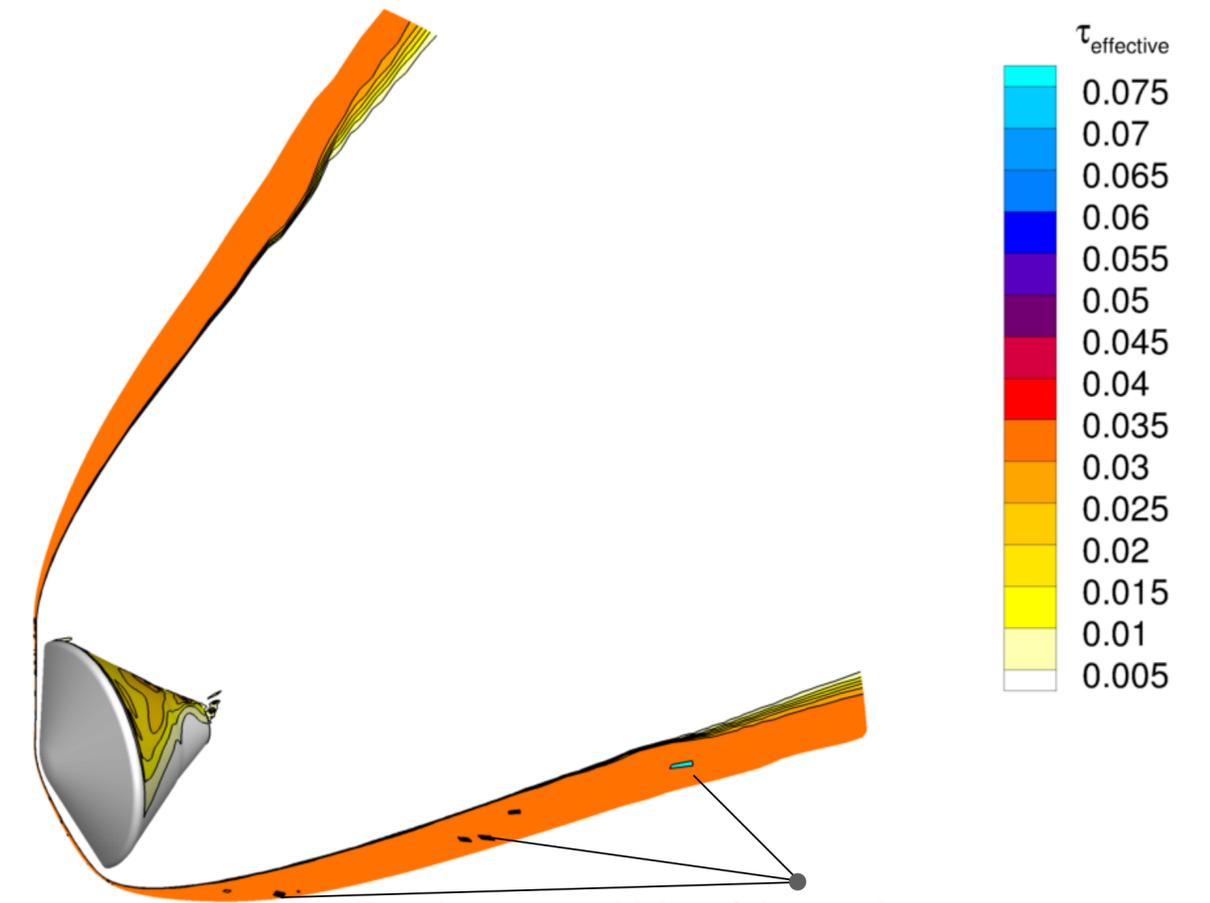
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Park et al., JTHT, 8(1994), pp.9-23

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due to sensitivity of the model to small values 1e-20 vs. 1e-21 vs. 1e-30. These have no effect on flow and surface properties.

Present: multivibrational mode

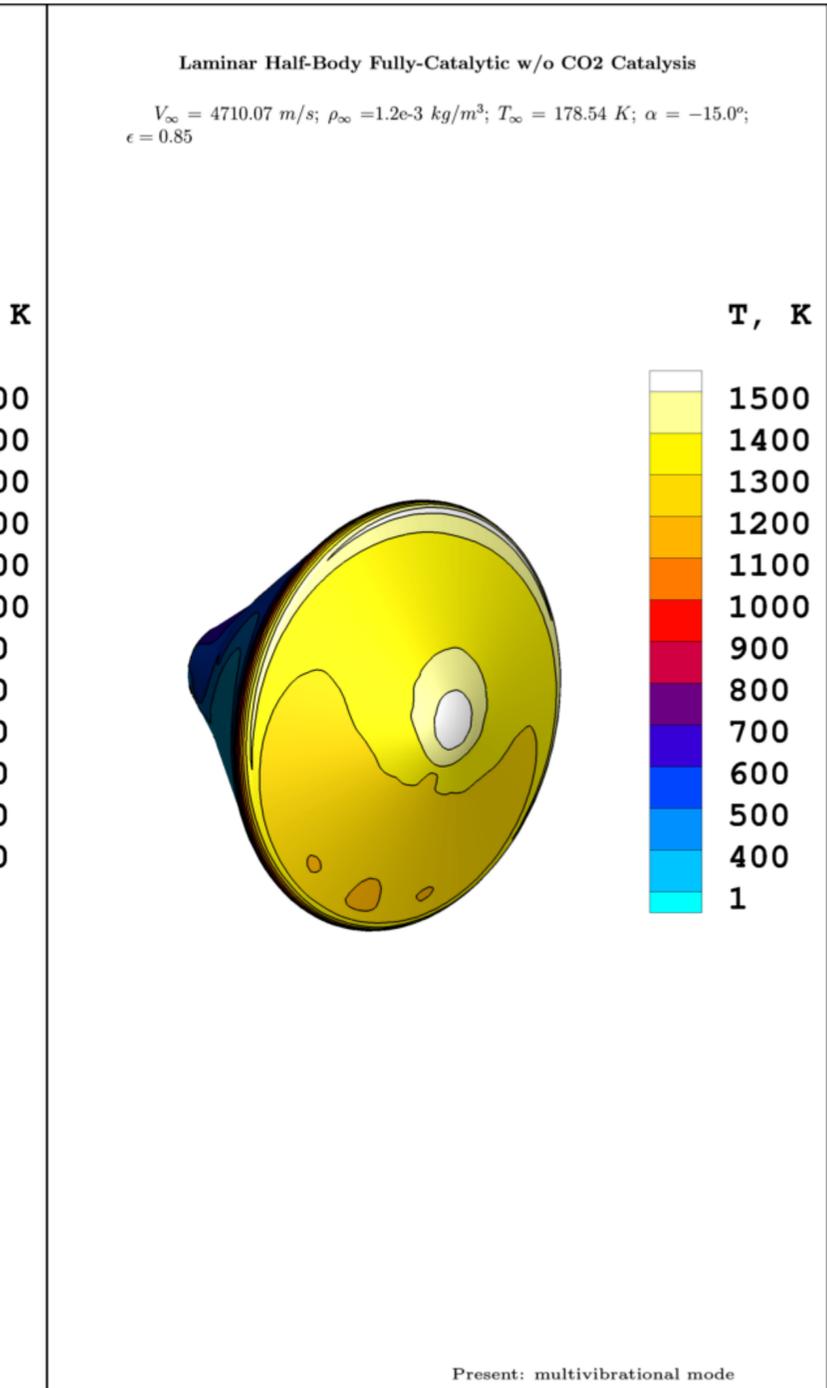
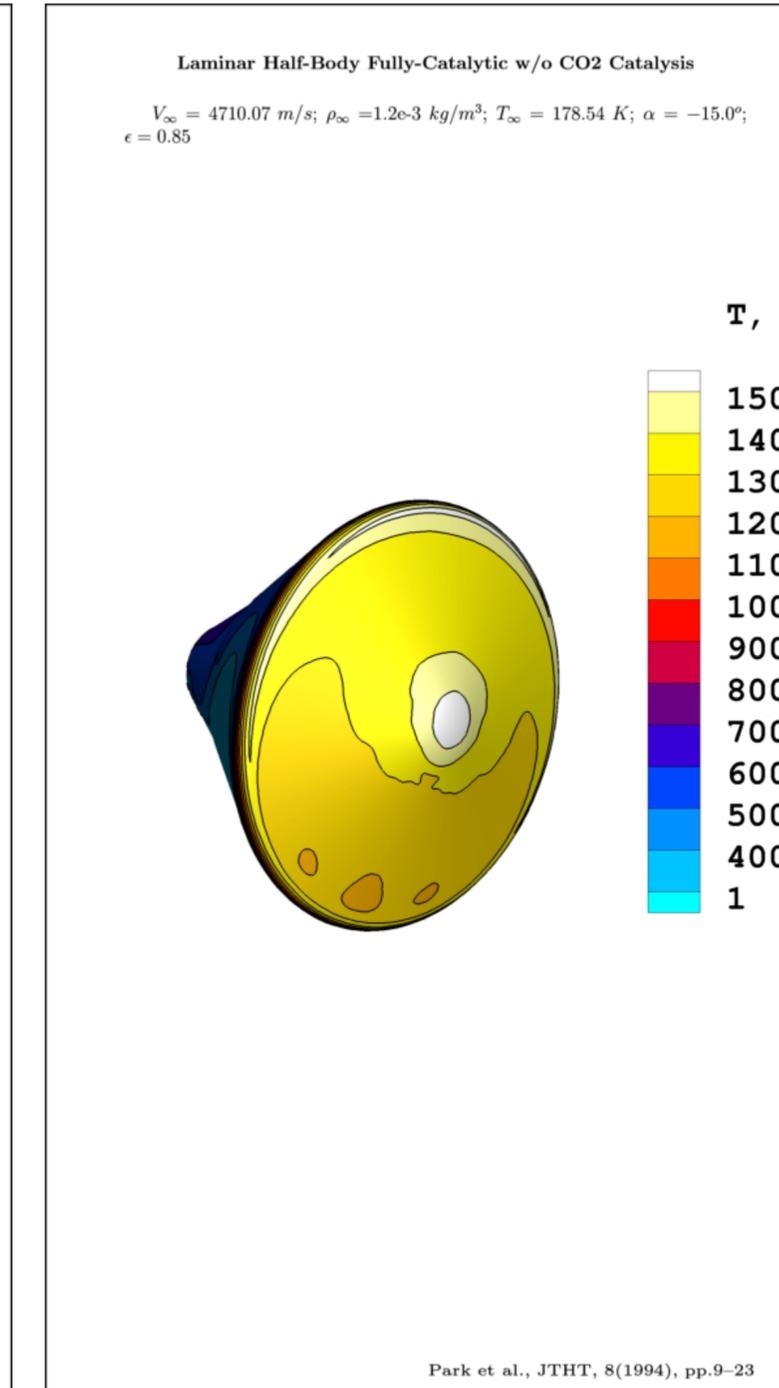
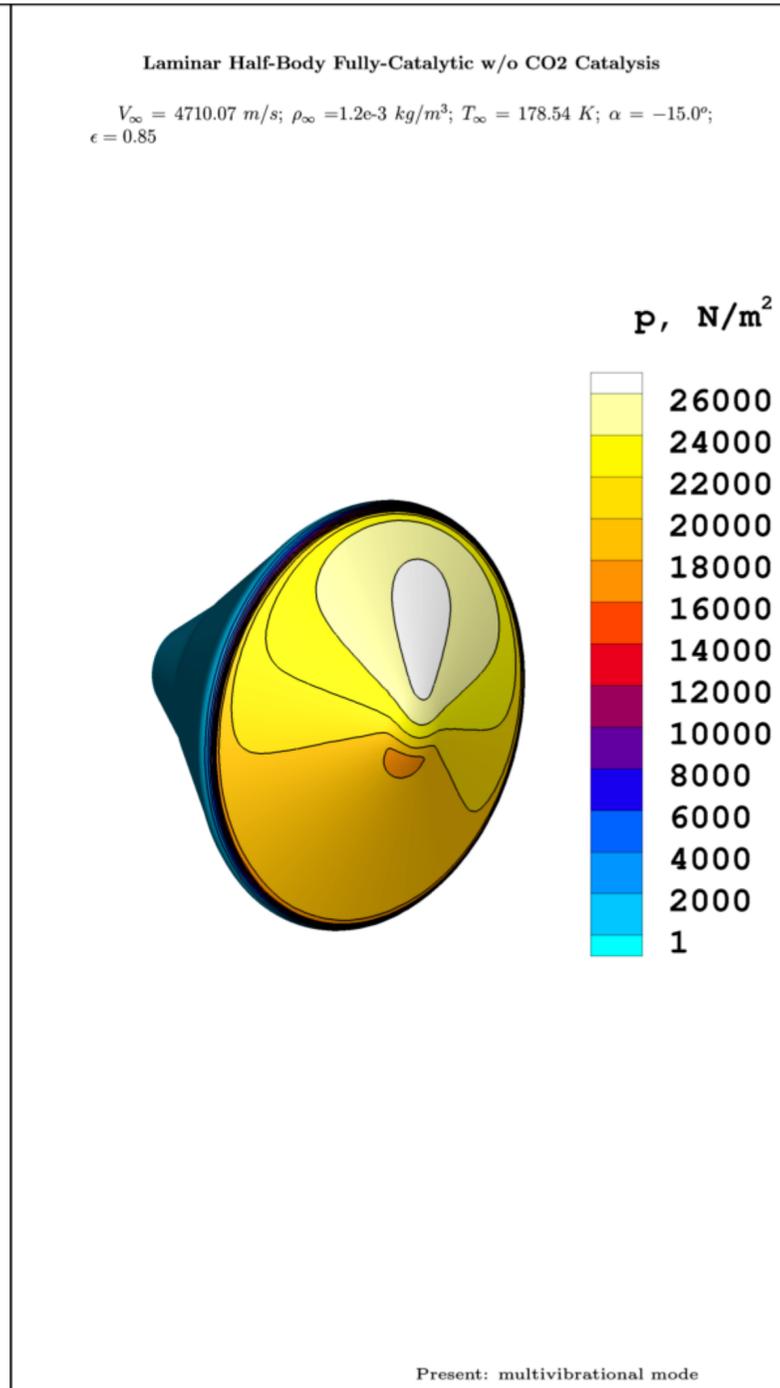
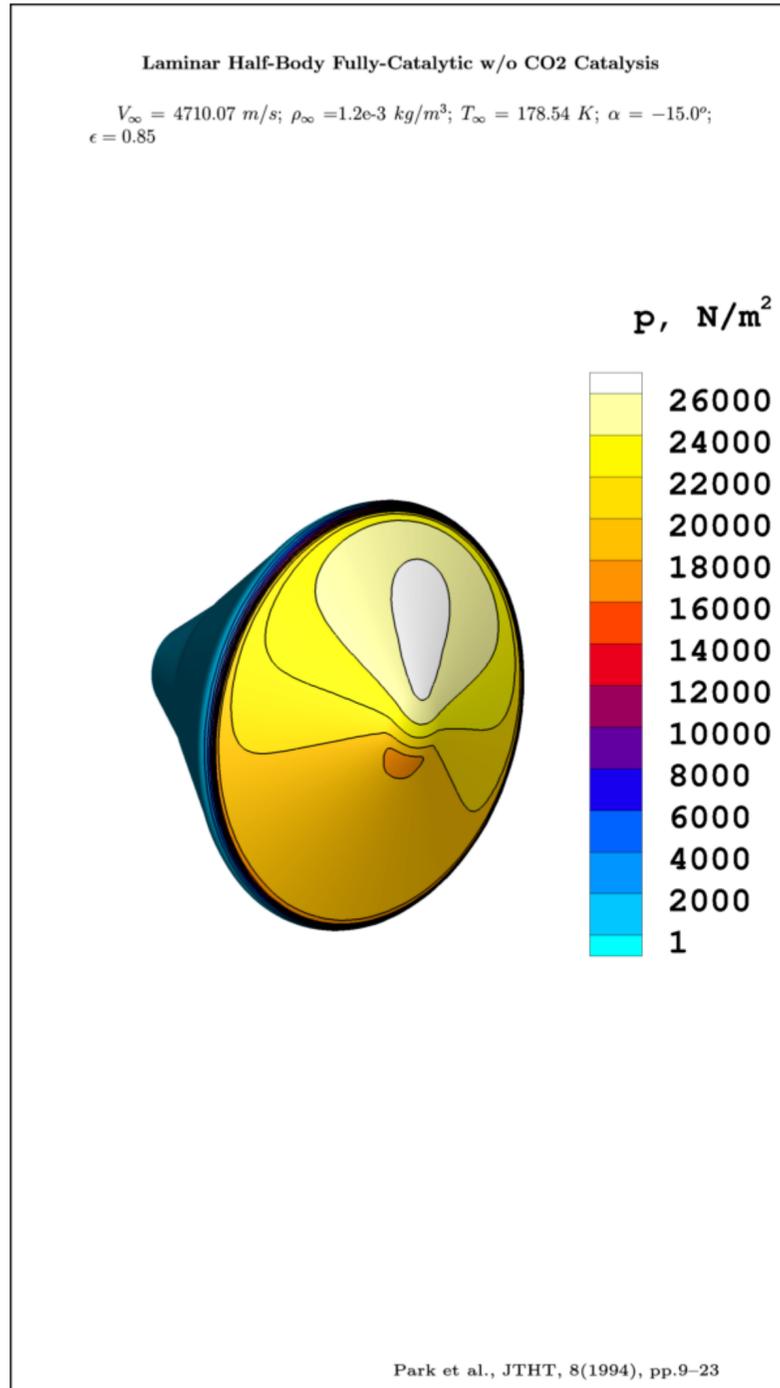
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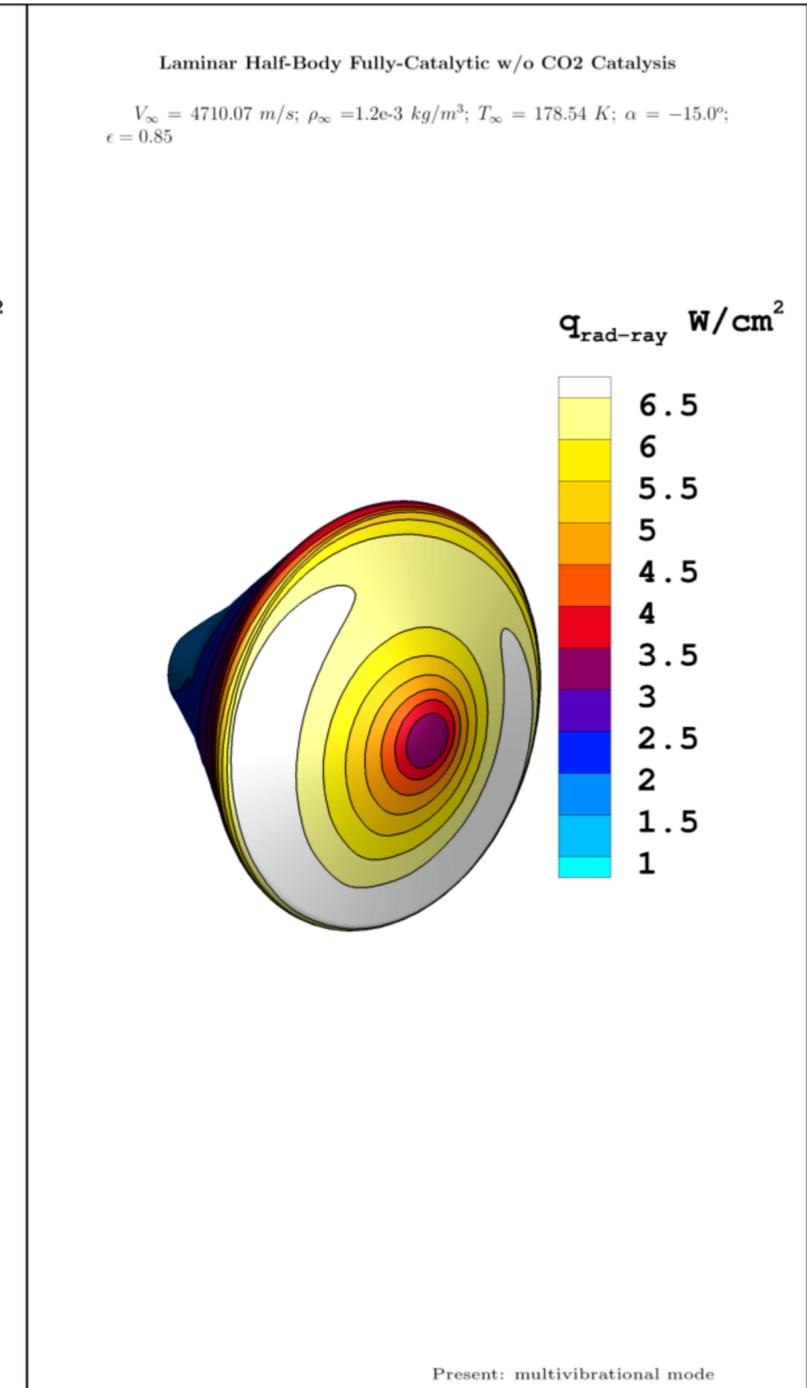
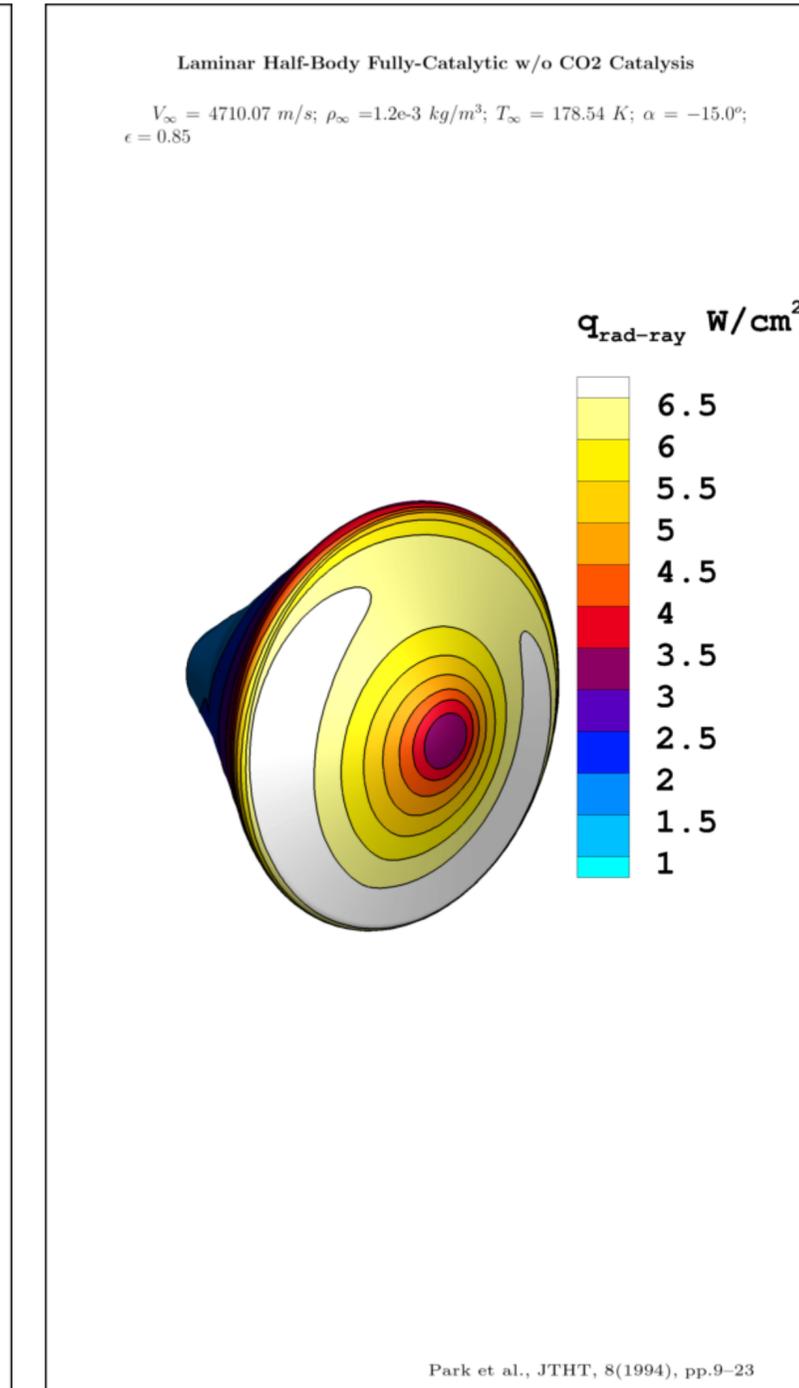
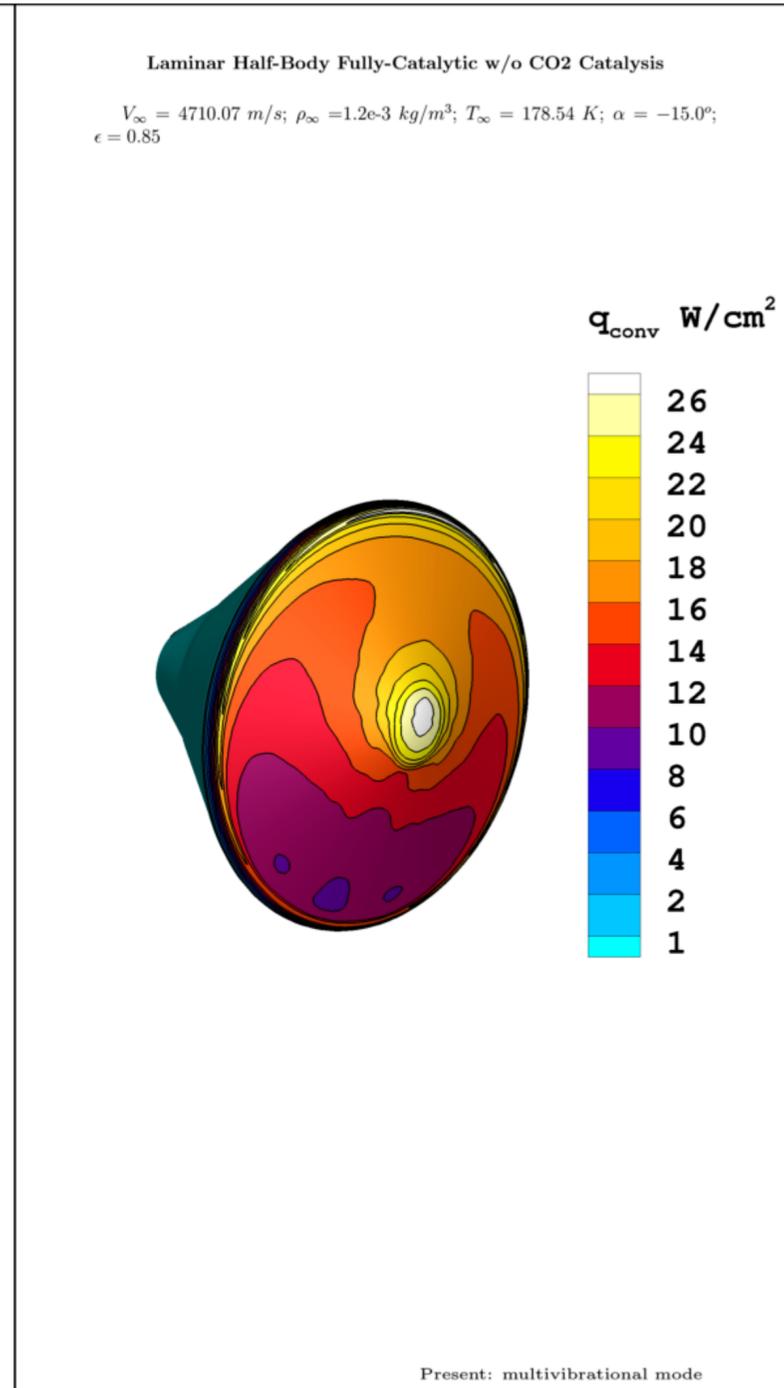
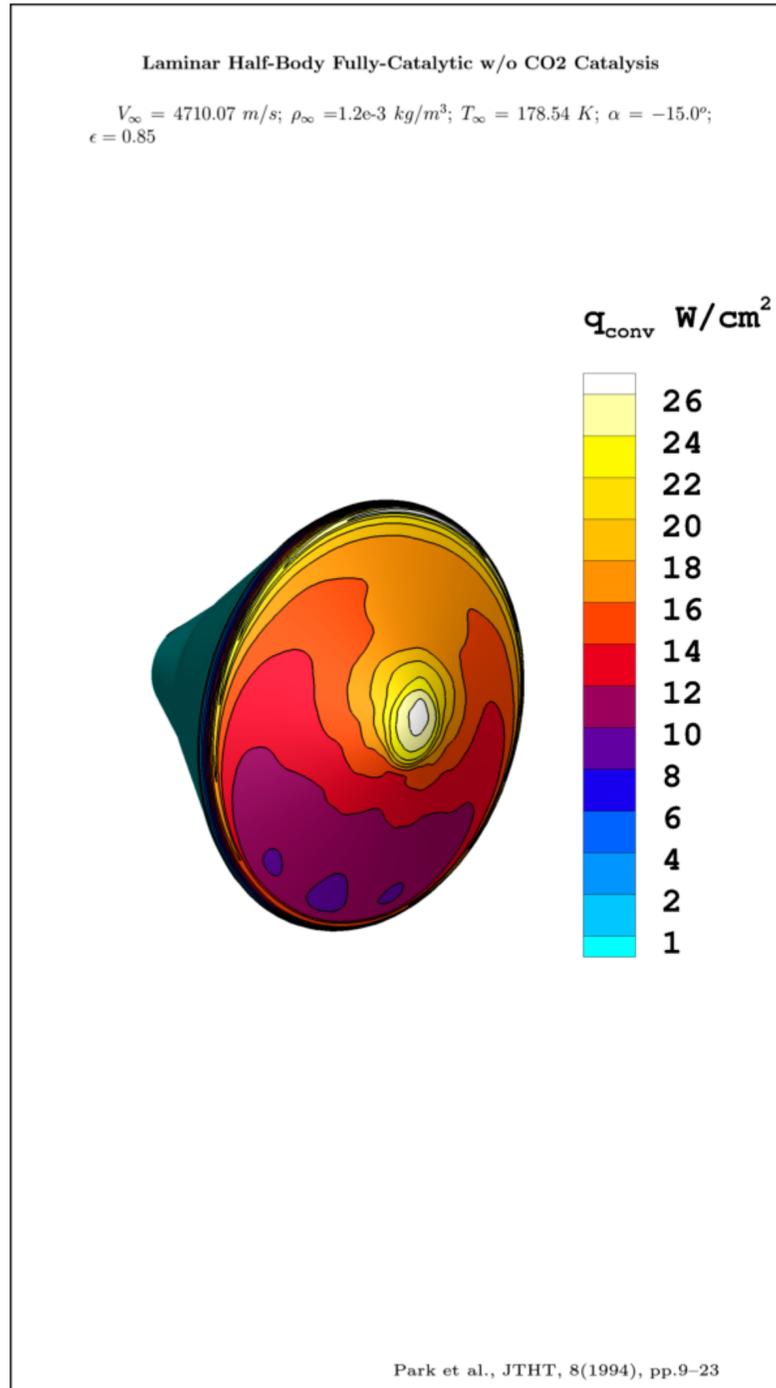
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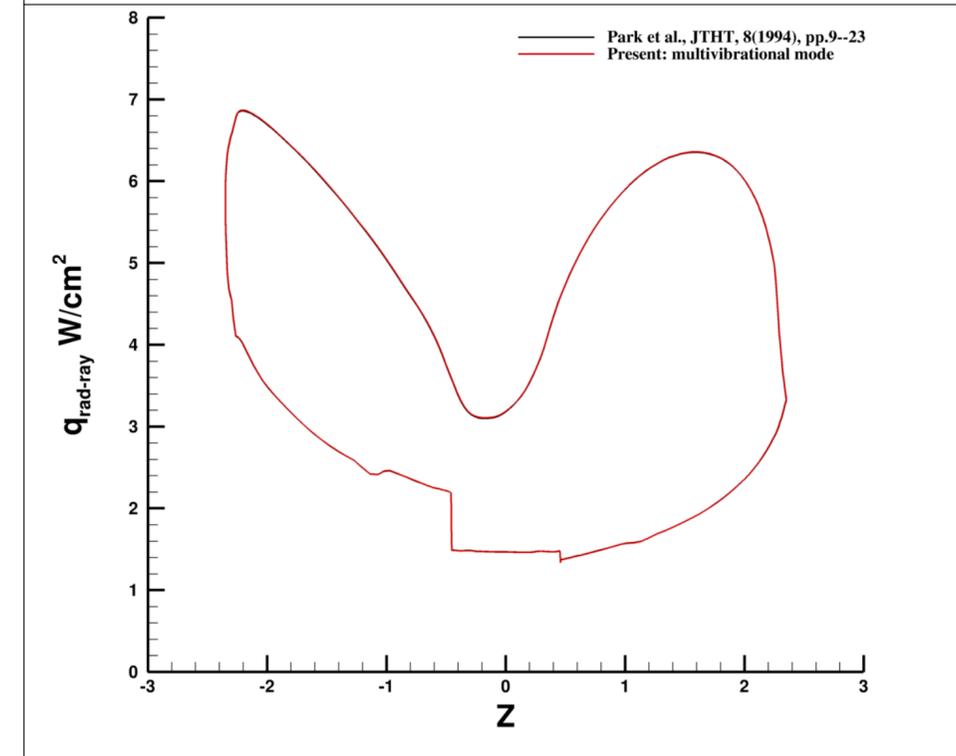
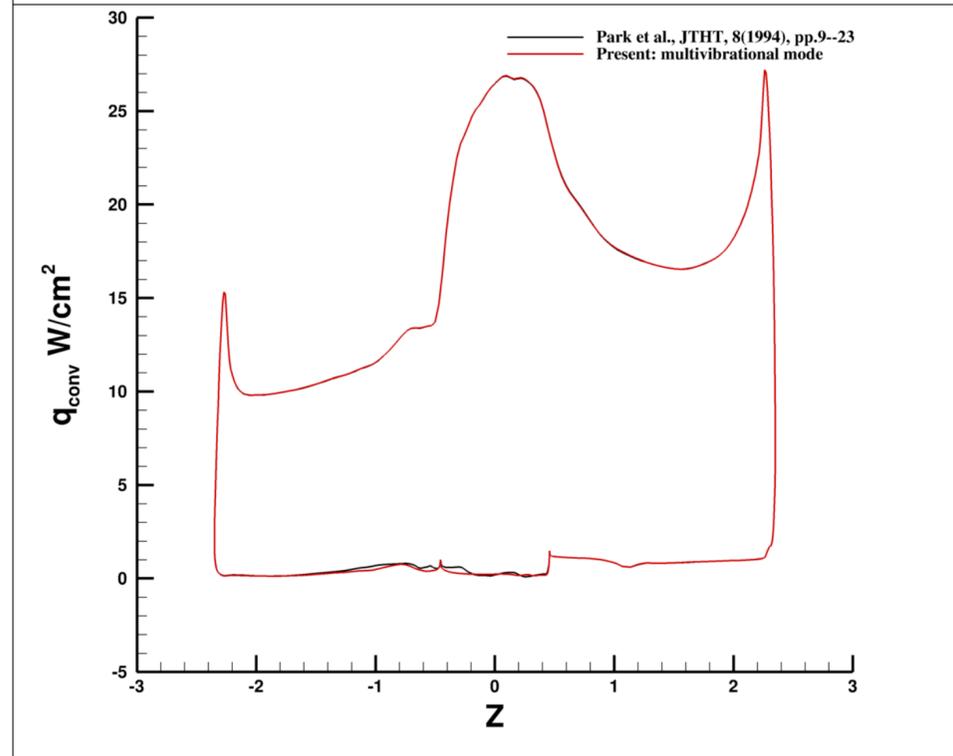
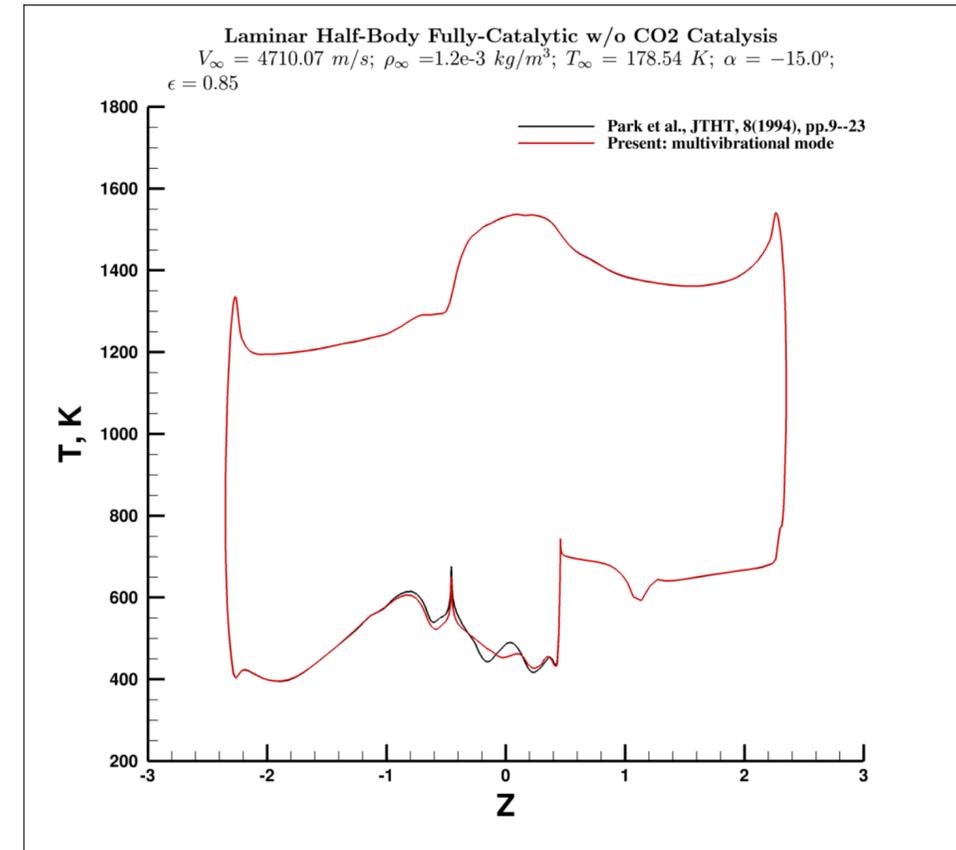
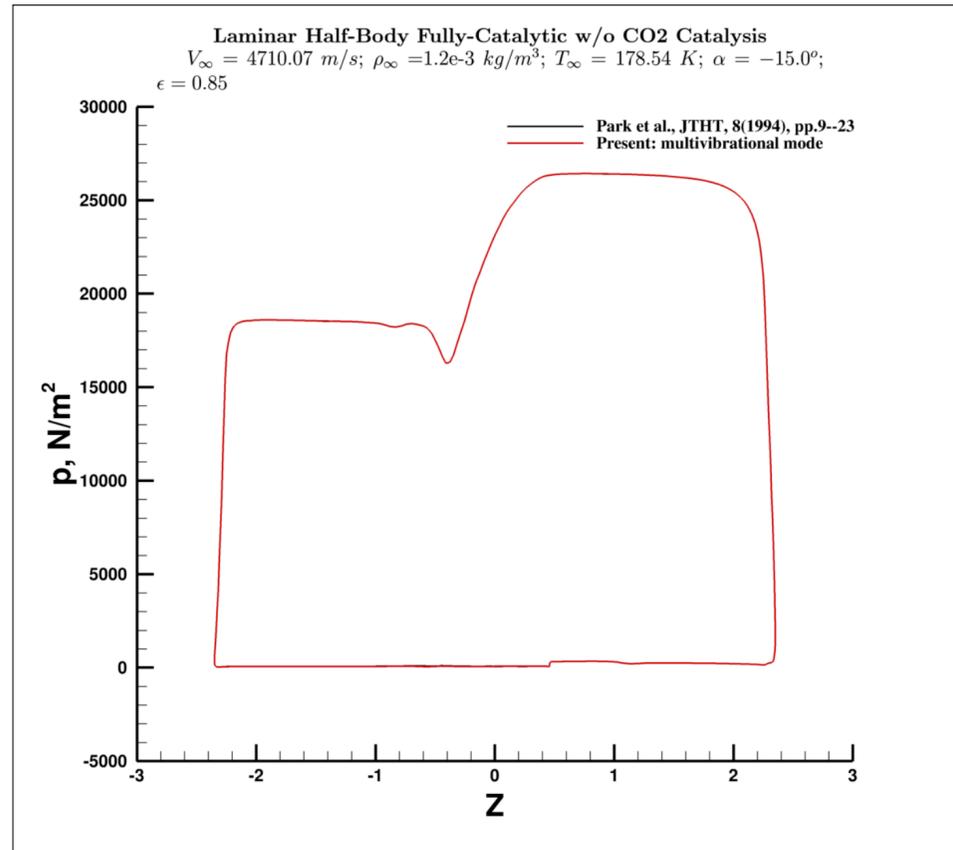
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Test Case 2: SRL





A (revised) lump sum approach (not suitable for multimode) – continued

The τ_s^{MW} relaxation time is a function of colliding species, and therefore must be weighted to arrive at a single valued relaxation time for molecule species s , before being added to τ_s^{Park} . In LAURA v ≥ 5 , the weighted harmonic mean is used:

$$\tau_s^{MW} := \frac{\sum_{r \neq e^-} n_r}{\sum_{r \neq e^-} n_r / \tau_{sr}^{MW}} = \frac{\sum_{r \neq e^-} \frac{\rho_r}{Mw_r}}{\sum_{r \neq e^-} \frac{\rho_r}{Mw_r \tau_{sr}^{MW}}}$$

This formulation does support a direct derivation from the Boltzmann equation and the Chapman-Enskog framework, which after applying the Landau-Teller's main assumption of weak deviations from the equilibrium, and further assuming that the specific heat is constant gives:

$$\frac{dE_v}{dt} = \sum_s \left(\rho_s (ev_s^0 - ev_s) \sum_r \frac{n_r}{n \tau_{rs}} \right)$$

In LAURA-4, LAURA-A, and at the birth of LAURA-5, a weighted mean, which is suggested by Gnoffo et al. [NASA-TP2867], was used:

$$\tau_s^{MW} := \frac{\sum_{r \neq e^-} n_r \tau_{sr}^{MW}}{n = \sum_{r \neq e^-} n_r} = \frac{\sum_{r \neq e^-} \frac{\rho_r}{Mw_r} \tau_{sr}^{MW}}{\sum_{r \neq e^-} \frac{\rho_r}{Mw_r}}$$

The wighted mean is added to the current LAURA-5 as a user set option for comparison purposes*. The following relation may be devised by comparing the two averaging formulations,

$$(\tau_s^{MW})^{LAURA5} < (\tau_s^{MW})^{LAURA4},$$

which suggests a larger translational-vibrational energy exchange source term with $(\tau_s^{MW})^{LAURA5}$ averaging. The following inequality is used to arrive at the above conclusion:

$$\sum_i A_i B_i < \sum_i A_i \sum_i B_i$$

* : vib_relax_harmonic_mean = .true. (default), which is a more correct way, may also lead to a more stiff numerical discretization.



Using zeroth-order approximation of the Chapman-Enskog, and assuming harmonic-oscillator and weak deviation from equilibrium, the following formulation is derived:

$$Src^{T \leftrightarrow V} \equiv \frac{dE_v}{dt} = \rho C_{vv} \frac{T}{T_v} \frac{(T - T_v)}{\bar{\tau}},$$

where the ratio may be used as a simple correction to the widely implemented translational-vibrational energy exchange source term.



The Millikan-White (M-W) relaxation time, τ_s , of a molecule species s in a medium of r species gas at a total pressure of p is defined as

$$p\tau_s^{MW} = \exp [a_{sr}(T^{-1/3} - b_{sr}) - 18.42],$$

with the M-W coefficients given as

$$a_{sr} = 0.00116 \mu_{sr}^{1/2} \theta_{v,s}^{4/3} = \overbrace{0.00116 \mu_{ss}^{1/2} \theta_{v,s}^{4/3}}^{\text{laura: alantel}} \left(\frac{\mu_{sr}}{\mu_{ss}} \right)^{1/2},$$

$$b_{sr} = 0.015 \mu_{sr}^{1/4}$$

unless a more accurate set of coefficients is available; e.g., from Park [1994].

To account for the elastic collision cross section, Park [1994], proposed a correction, τ_s^{Park} , to the M-W vibrational relaxation time as:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_s^{Park} &= \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{r \neq e} n_r \right) \sqrt{8kT/\pi m_s} \underbrace{\sigma'(50000/T)^2}_{\sigma}} \\ &= \frac{1}{N_A \underbrace{\sqrt{8kN_A/\pi}}_{\sqrt{8\bar{R}/\pi}} \left(\sum_{r \neq e} \frac{\rho_r}{Mw_r} \right) \sqrt{T/Mw_s} \underbrace{\sigma'(50000/T)^2}_{\sigma}} \\ &= \frac{1.1412 \times 10^{-29}}{\left(\sum_{r \neq e} \frac{\rho_r}{Mw_r} \right) \sqrt{T/Mw_s} \underbrace{\sigma'(50000/T)^2}_{\sigma}} \end{aligned}$$



Requires an extra step calculation by user/developer. This is in fact a function of the molecule characteristic temperature.

New: to be used as legacy version.

New: number of **distinct** vibrational modes [integer]

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C02
&species_properties
elec_impct_ion = 4.453 ! ?
disoc_ener = 2.96
alantel = 270.4
sigma = 5.e-20, 0., 0.
mol_wt = 44.0107
cprt0 = 3.50
multivibrational_mode_molecule = .true. !T: read multimode data
use_alantel = .true. !T: ignore multimode; F: ignore alantel
/
3
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New: for both single and multimode molecules. Millikan-White coefficients will be directly calculated via characteristic vibrational temperature

New: degeneracy [integer] & characteristic-vibrational-temperature [K]

Limiting values in LAURA



$$\text{vib_relax_minT} = 200[K],$$

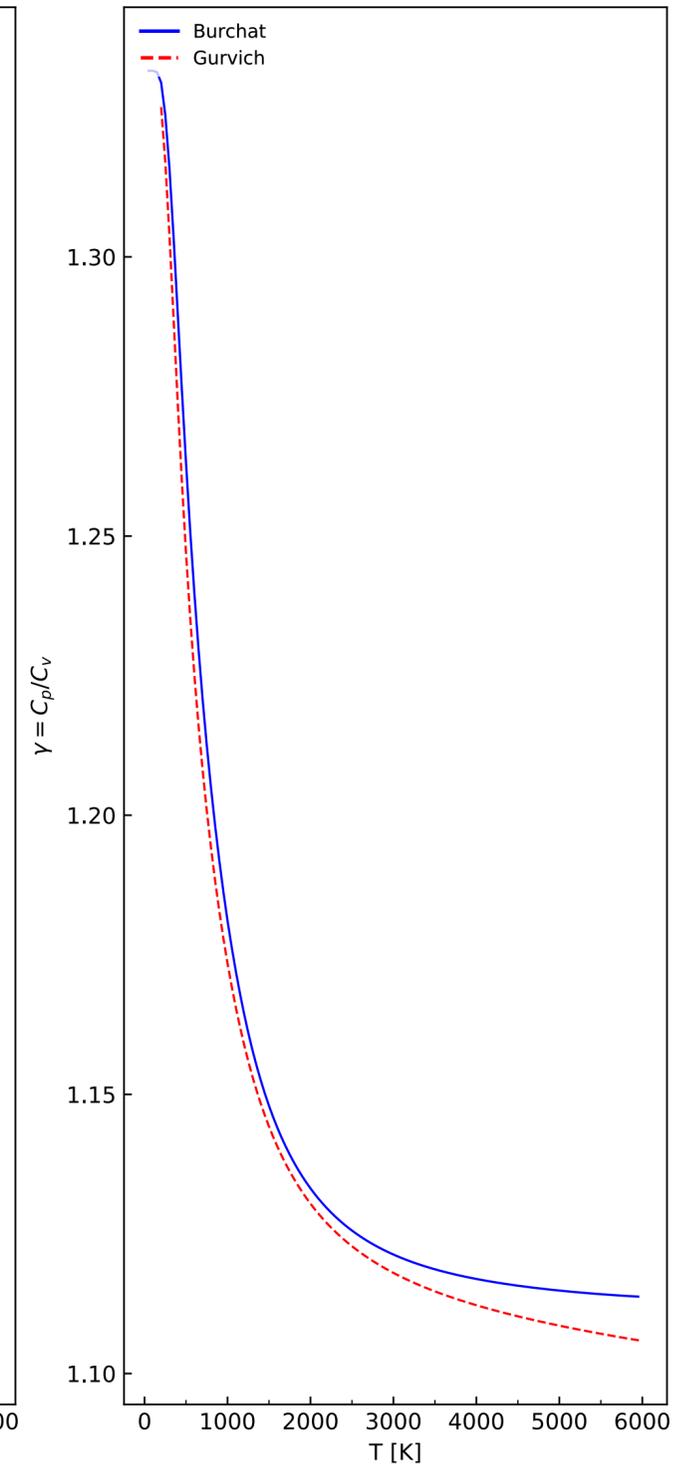
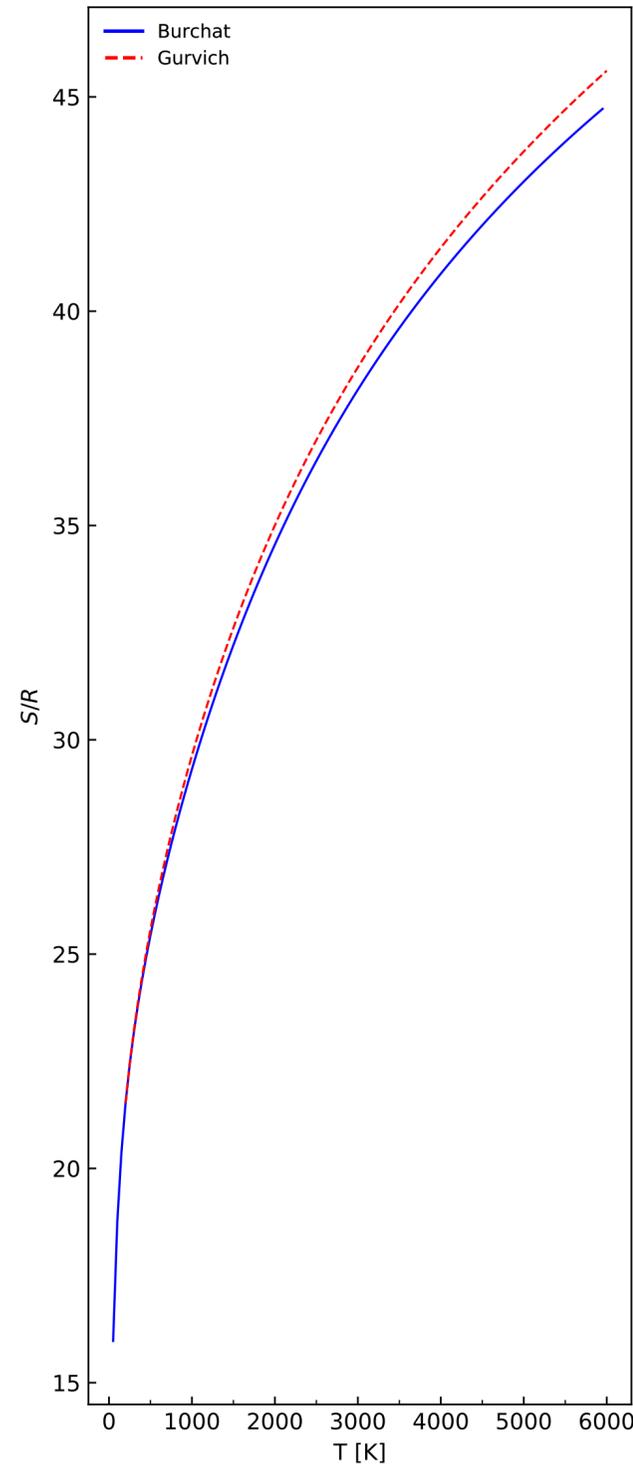
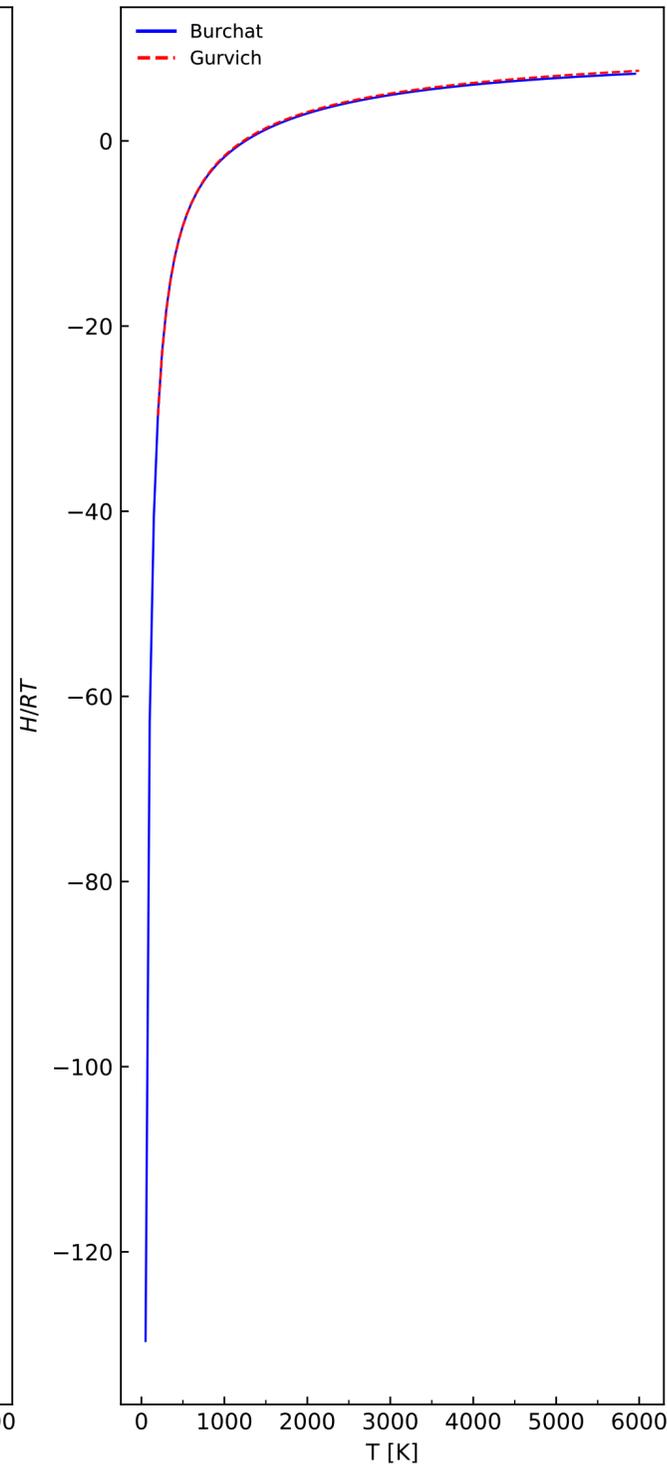
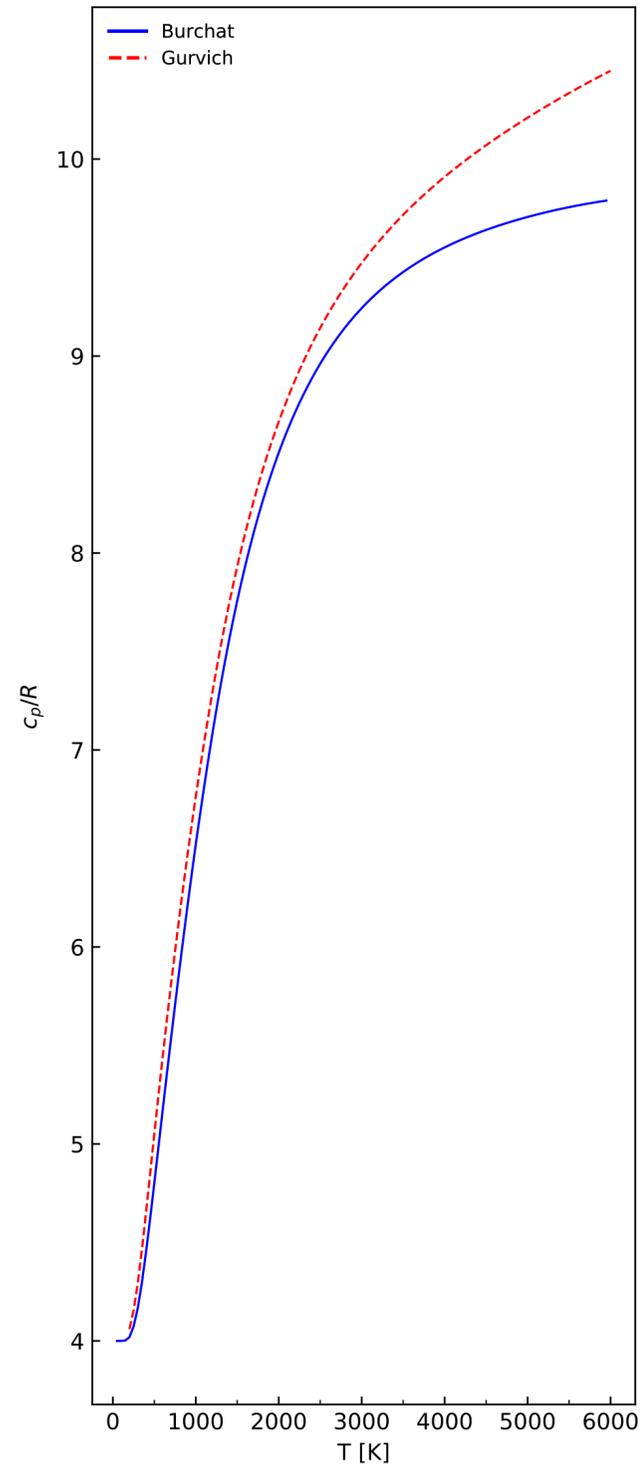
$$\text{vib_relax_minTv} = 200[K],$$

$$\sigma' = 10^{-21} [m^2],$$

$$\sigma'^{Park} = \begin{cases} 10^{-20} [m^2] & \text{Park 1994 - given arbitrarily;} \\ 10^{-20} [m^2] & \text{Park 1989: "the most appropriate value for N2 at T < 19000 [K]";} \\ 10^{-21} [m^2] & \text{Park 1989: for T > 19000 [K];} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\rho c_{vv}}{\tau} \leq 10^{20}$$

Thermodynamic Properties of NH3



Thermodynamic Properties Effects of NH3

The nozzle performance is nearly the same with NH3 thermodynamic properties suggested by either Gurvich or Burchat.

$P_0 = 147$ [psia], $T_0 = 1365$ [K], $c_{NH_3} = 0.427$, $c_{N_2} = 0.525$, $c_{H_2} = 0.048$

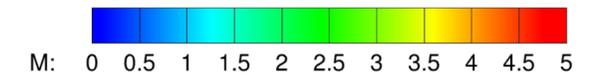
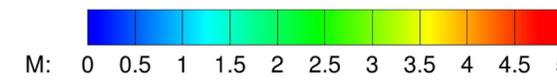
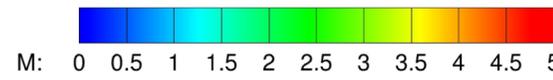
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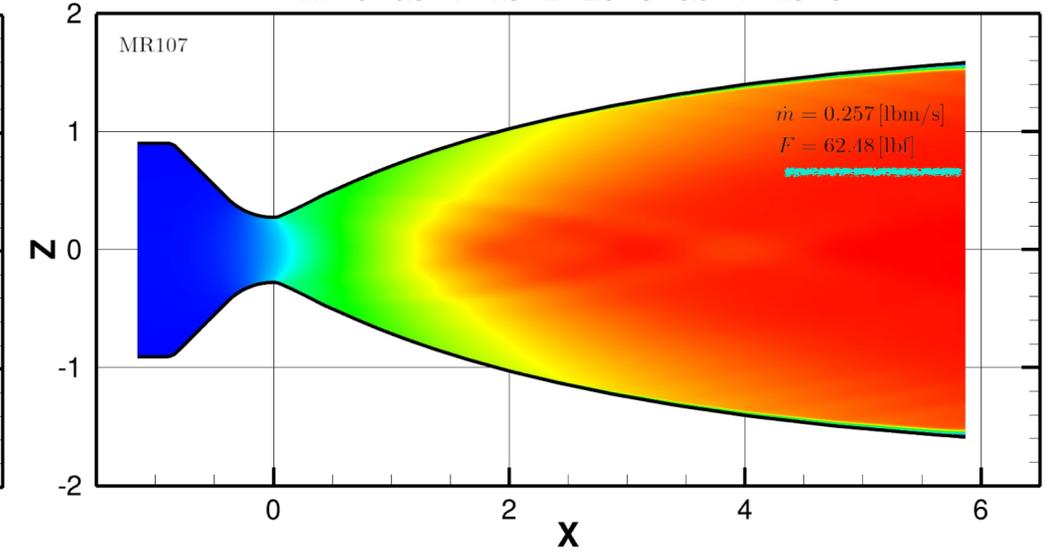
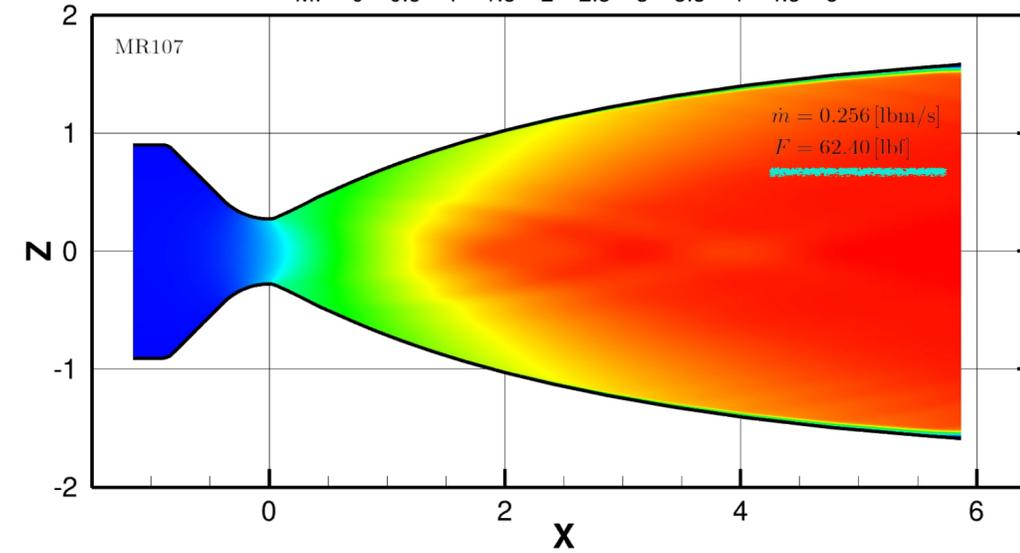
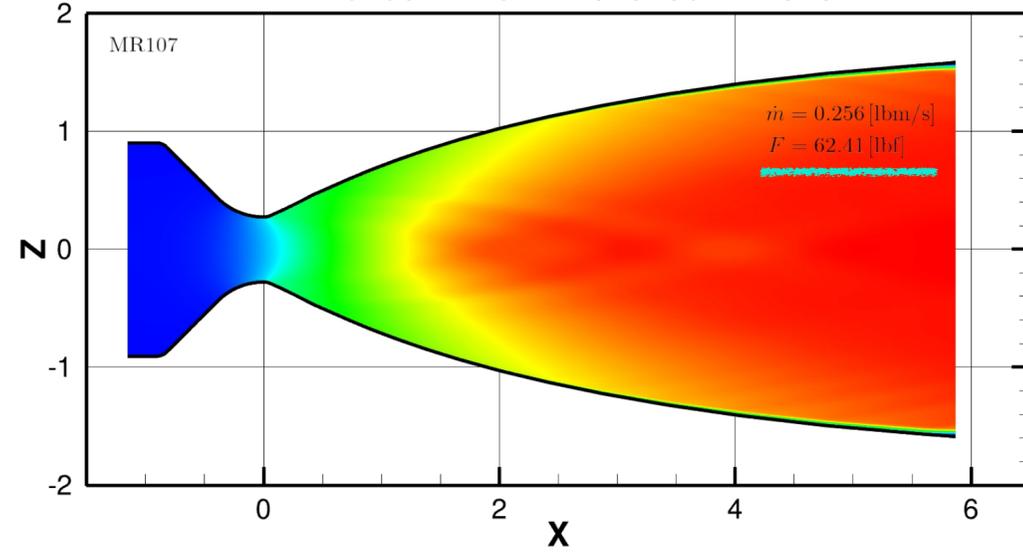
T_w : Adiabatic

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$T_w = 1000$ [K]



Gurvich



Burchat

