

#### **SFB TRR40 C3/C7** Experimental and Numerical Study of High-Frequency Combustion Instabilities

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## **Combustor Model "D" (BKD)**



- Representative conditions:
  - Cryogenic propellants LOX/H2
  - 42 shear coaxial elements
  - Chamber pressure up to 80 bar
  - Thrust: up to ~ 24 kN
  - Power up to 90 MW
- Self-excited instabilities
  - 1T mode at 10 kHz
  - Driven by LOX injection-coupling
- Measurement ring with 8 p' sensors







#### **Motivation: Injection-coupling**





Wanhainen et. al. (1966)



Hulka and Hutt (1995)



Gröning et. al. (2016)



Klein et. al. (2019)



Martin et. al. (2020)



Kawashima et. al. (2010)



Nunome et. al. (2011)



Watanabe et. al. (2016)

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    - ightarrow 2D flame visualization needs to be realized





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## **Optical Diagnostics Setup**





#### **BKD Test with Optical Access**





#### **Mean Flame Images**



LP1

- 50 bar
- ROF 5

LP2

- 80 bar
- ROF 4.7

LP3

- 80 bar
- ROF 5.2





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#### Flame Dynamics at 1T Mode

- 1T response
- OH\*



• Blue Rad.



**DFG** 

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## Flame Dynamics for LOX Modes

• Flame and LOX core response to excited LOX post eigenmodes in Blue radiation:



### **Published DLR Test Cases**









## **C3: Stability Assessment**





- Hybrid methodology
  - Integration by end of FP2
  - Continuous development



- Validation
  - C7: BKD
  - Cold-flow test rig



 Absorber characteristic specifications





#### **Stability Assessment**







- Hybrid approach
- Eigenvalue characterizes stability

## Validation – Single Flame



- Static pressure
- Sc<sub>t</sub> calibration

- OH\* radiation
- Flame structure



#### Acoustics



• BKD OH\* load point LP2







### **Cold Flow Test Rig**

- Cold flow test rig
- Absorber ring

 $T_1$ 

• Split of T<sub>1</sub> mode

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#### Mode Split Mechanism

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#### Eigenfrequencies

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#### **Absorber Characteristic**

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#### Mode Split Mechanism

![](_page_23_Picture_1.jpeg)

• Absorber characteristic induces mode split

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#### **Absorber Constraints**

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#### **Operating Point**

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 Absorber design independent of chamber acoustics

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#### **Mean Flow**

- Quasi one-dimensional
- Reproduces 1D profiles from single flame
  - Sound speed
  - Isentropic compressibility
- Fulfills Euler Equations

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#### **Radial Stratification**

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- Artificial flame structures
  - Equivalent 1D mean flows

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 Variation of stratification amplitude

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#### Summary

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- Hybrid Methodology
  - Validation
  - OH\* images
  - Acoustics
- Absorber Design
  - Constraint specification
- Stratification
  - Radial flame structures

# TCDs $|\hat{P}|_{0}$ $T_{1}^{D}$ $T_{1}^{D}C_{1}$ $T_{1}^{D}C_{2}$ $\uparrow^{x}$

#### **Radiation Modeling**

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