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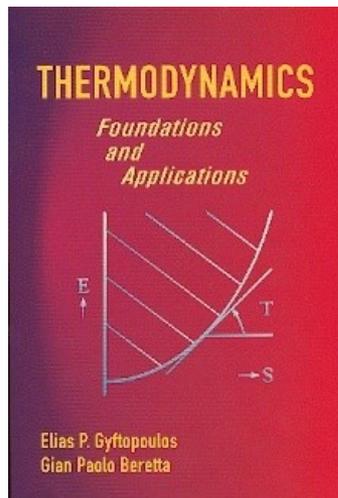
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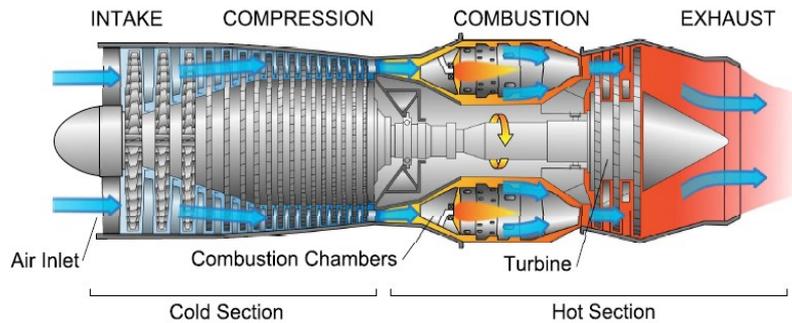


**RCCE: Rate-Controlled Constrained-Equilibrium:**  
A thermodynamically consistent approximation scheme to reduce the complexity of large detailed chemical kinetics models

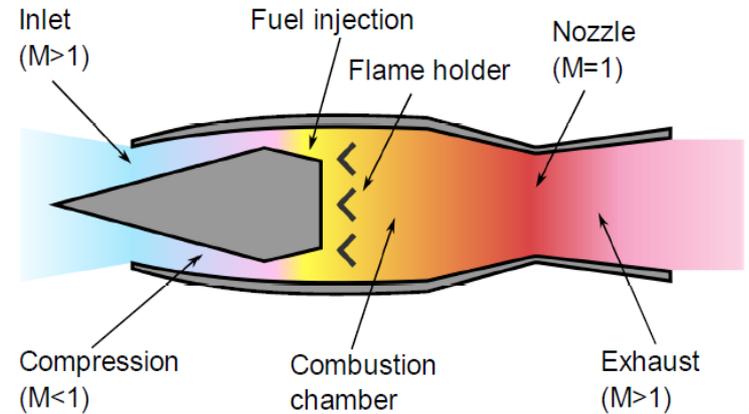
# Modeling Hydrocarbon Combustion

## Typical applications

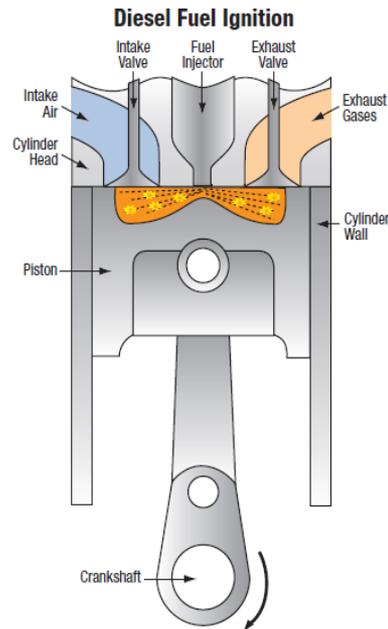
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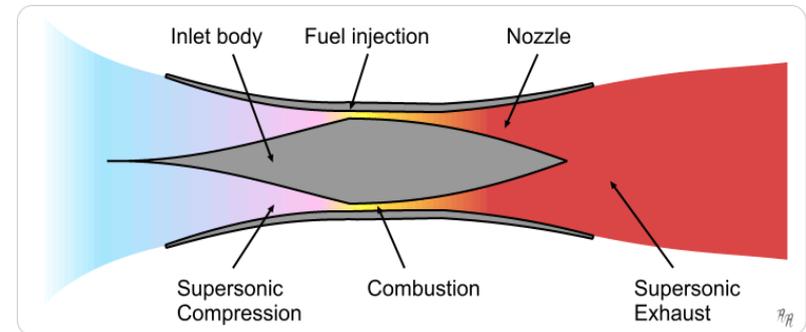
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### Diesel Engine



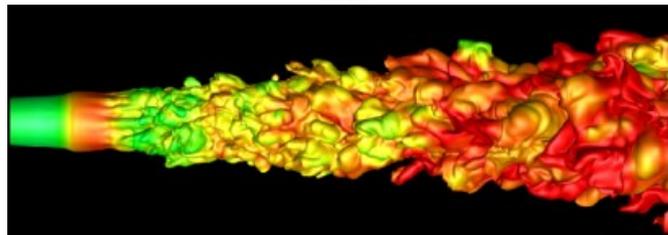
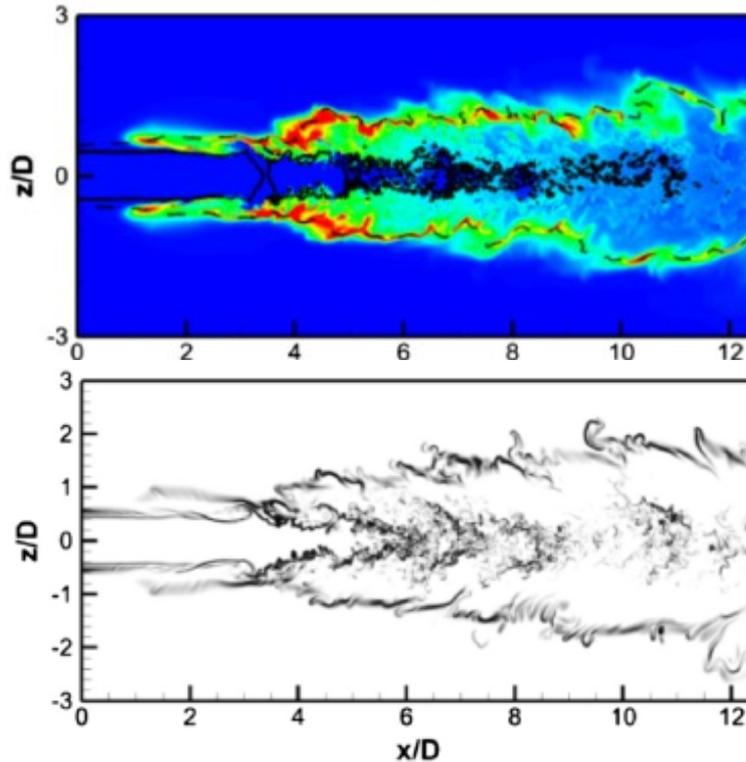
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Typical applications

Jet flames – DNS and CFD simulations





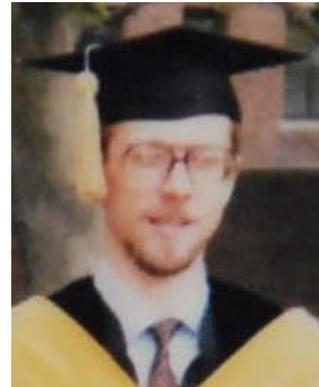
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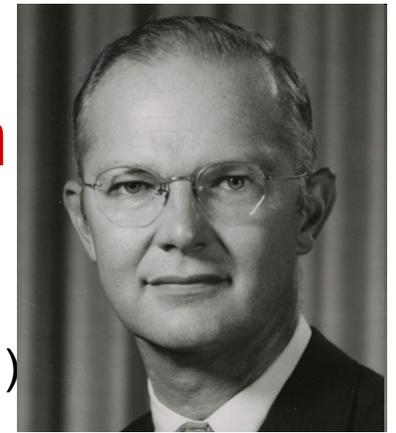
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# RCCE – Rate Controlled Constrained Equilibrium



James C. Keck ( 1924-2010)  
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## Formulation:

- Keck, Gillespie, *Combustion and Flame*, 17, 237 (1971)
- Beretta, Keck, *ASME Book H0341C*, 3, 135 (1986)
- Keck, *Progr. Energy Comb. Sci.*, 16, 125 (1990)
- Tang, Pope, *Comb. Theory Mod.*, 8, 255 (2004)
- Beretta, Keck, Janbozorgi, Metghalchi, *Entropy*, 14, 92 (2012)



Photo, January 2010

## Identification of the optimal set of Constraints:

- Careful examination of the underlying chemistry (Keck and coworkers)
- Level of Importance (Lol, Rigopolous – 2009)
- Greedy Algorithm (Hiremath et. al. – 2010, 2011)
- Degree of Disequilibrium Algorithm (DoD, Janbozorgi, Metghalchi – 2012)
- **ASVDADD** (Beretta, Janbozorgi, Metghalchi, *Comb. Flame*, 168, 342, 2016)



# Rocket propulsion example

*Steady-state supersonic nozzle expansion of high-temperature products of  $H_2$  oxy-combustion*

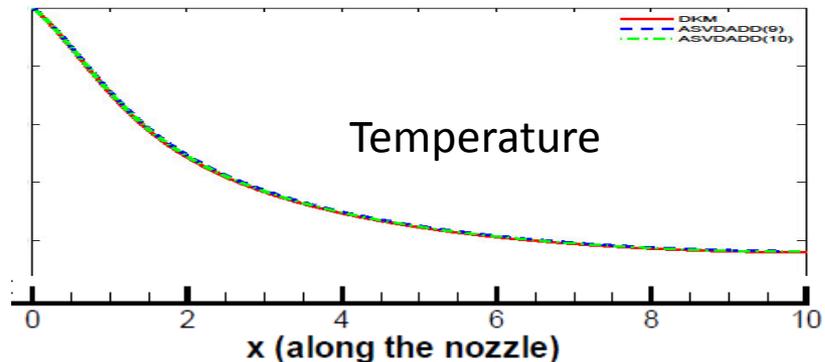
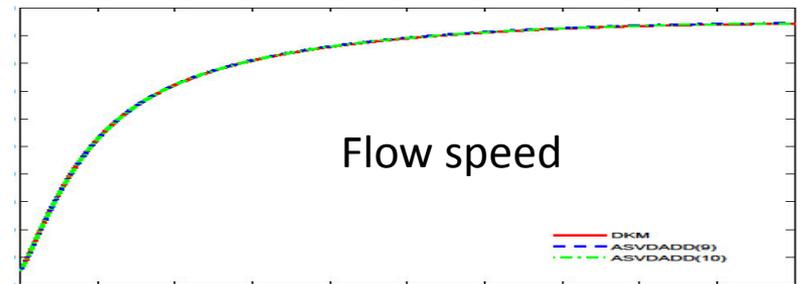
products of  $H_2-O_2$   
combustion enter  
nozzle at equilibrium

Ma = 1  
T = 3000 K  
p = 2.5 MPa

Ma ~ 4  
T ~ 1000 K  
p ~ 10 kPa

The mixture remains close to equilibrium up to the throat where rapid expansion occurs.

Rapid expansion  
Fast flow acceleration



# Detailed Kinetic Model (DKM)

*Steady-state supersonic nozzle expansion of high-temperature products of H<sub>2</sub> oxy-combustion*

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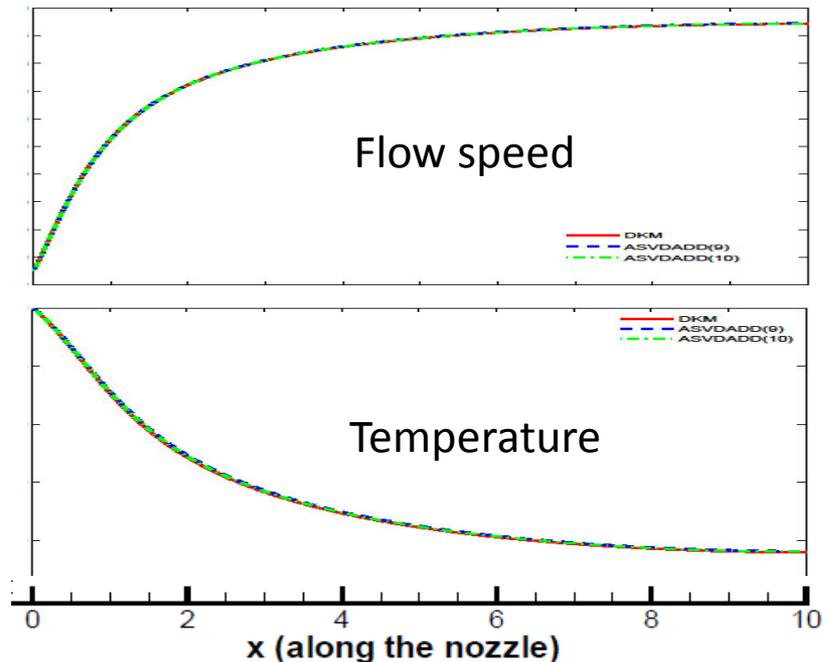
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T ~ 1000 K  
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Rapid expansion  
Fast flow acceleration

| 24 Reactions |                  |
|--------------|------------------|
| 1            | O+O+M=O2+M       |
| 2            | O+H+M=OH+M       |
| 3            | H+H+M=H2+M       |
| 4            | H+H+H2=H2+H2     |
| 5            | H+H+H2O=H2+H2O   |
| 6            | H+OH+M=H2O+M     |
| 7            | H+O2+M=HO2+M     |
| 8            | H+O2+O2=HO2+O2   |
| 9            | H+O2+H2O=HO2+H2O |
| 10           | OH+OH+M=H2O2+M   |
| 11           | O+H2=H+OH        |
| 12           | O+HO2=OH+O2      |
| 13           | O+H2O2=OH+HO2    |
| 14           | H+O2=O+OH        |
| 15           | H+HO2=O+H2O      |
| 16           | H+HO2=O2+H2      |
| 17           | H+HO2=OH+OH      |
| 18           | H+H2O2=HO2+H2    |
| 19           | H+H2O2=OH+H2O    |
| 20           | OH+H2=H+H2O      |
| 21           | OH+OH=O+H2O      |
| 22           | OH+HO2=O2+H2O    |
| 23           | OH+H2O2=HO2+H2O  |
| 24           | HO2+HO2=O2+H2O2  |

| 8 Species |
|-----------|
| O         |
| O2        |
| H         |
| H2        |
| OH        |
| H2O       |
| HO2       |
| H2O2      |



# Element conservation constraints

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n_{sp}} a_{ij}^{EL} N_j = N_i^{EL}$$

$$\dot{N}_j = \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_s} v_{j\ell} (r_{\ell}^{+} - r_{\ell}^{-})$$

Reaction  $\ell$ :

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n_s} v_{j\ell}^{+} O_{a_{1j}^{EL}} H_{a_{2j}^{EL}} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} v_{j\ell}^{-} O_{a_{1j}^{EL}} H_{a_{2j}^{EL}}$$

Stoichiometric coefficients:

$$v_{j\ell} = v_{j\ell}^{-} - v_{j\ell}^{+}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^{EL} v_{j\ell} = 0$$

| Species  |                  | Element conservation |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | Element conservation |    |
|----------|------------------|----------------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|----------------------|----|
|          |                  | O                    | O2 | H  | H2 | OH | H2O | HO2 | H2O2 | EO                   | EH |
| O        |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                    | 0  |
| O2       |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 2                    | 0  |
| H        |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 0                    | 1  |
| H2       |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 0                    | 2  |
| OH       |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                    | 1  |
| H2O      |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                    | 2  |
| HO2      |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 2                    | 1  |
| H2O2     |                  |                      |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 2                    | 2  |
| Reaction |                  | O                    | O2 | H  | H2 | OH | H2O | HO2 | H2O2 |                      |    |
| 11       | O+H2=H+OH        | -1                   | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 13       | O+H2O2=OH+HO2    | -1                   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0                    | 0  |
| 14       | H+O2=O+OH        | 1                    | -1 | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 18       | H+H2O2=HO2+H2    | 0                    | 0  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0                    | 0  |
| 20       | OH+H2=H+H2O      | 0                    | 0  | 1  | -1 | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 21       | OH+OH=O+H2O      | 1                    | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 23       | OH+H2O2=HO2+H2O  | 0                    | 0  | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1   | 1   | -1   | 0                    | 0  |
| 7        | H+O2+M=HO2+M     | 0                    | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 8        | H+O2+O2=HO2+O2   | 0                    | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 9        | H+O2+H2O=HO2+H2O | 0                    | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 10       | OH+OH+M=H2O2+M   | 0                    | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0                    | 0  |
| 12       | O+HO2=OH+O2      | -1                   | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 15       | H+HO2=O+H2O      | 1                    | 0  | -1 | 0  | 0  | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 16       | H+HO2=O2+H2      | 0                    | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 17       | H+HO2=OH+OH      | 0                    | 0  | -1 | 0  | 2  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 19       | H+H2O2=OH+H2O    | 0                    | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 1   | 0   | -1   | 0                    | 0  |
| 22       | OH+HO2=O2+H2O    | 0                    | 1  | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 24       | HO2+HO2=O2+H2O2  | 0                    | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | -2  | 1    | 0                    | 0  |
| 1        | O+O+M=O2+M       | -2                   | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 2        | O+H+M=OH+M       | -1                   | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 3        | H+H+M=H2+M       | 0                    | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 4        | H+H+H2=H2+H2     | 0                    | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 5        | H+H+H2O=H2+H2O   | 0                    | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |
| 6        | H+OH+M=H2O+M     | 0                    | 0  | -1 | 0  | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                    | 0  |

# Vector representation

| Species |
|---------|
| O       |
| O2      |
| H       |
| H2      |
| OH      |
| H2O     |
| HO2     |
| H2O2    |

| Element conservation |    |
|----------------------|----|
| EO                   | EH |
| 1                    | 0  |
| 2                    | 0  |
| 0                    | 1  |
| 0                    | 2  |
| 1                    | 1  |
| 1                    | 2  |
| 2                    | 1  |
| 2                    | 2  |

$$a_i^{EL}$$

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$$v_{\ell}$$

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| Reaction           | O  | O2 | H  | H2 | OH | H2O | HO2 | H2O2 |   |   |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|---|---|
| 11 O+H2=H+OH       | -1 | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 13 O+H2O2=OH+HO2   | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0 | 0 |
| 14 H+O2=O+OH       | 1  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 18 H+H2O2=HO2+H2   | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0 | 0 |
| 20 OH+H2=H+H2O     | 0  | 0  | 1  | -1 | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 21 OH+OH=O+H2O     | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 23 OH+H2O2=HO2+H2O | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1   | 1   | -1   | 0 | 0 |
| 7 H+O2+M=HO2+M     | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 8 H+O2+O2=HO2+O2   | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 9 H+O2+H2O=HO2+H2O | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 10 OH+OH+M=H2O2+M  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0 | 0 |
| 12 O+HO2=OH+O2     | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 15 H+HO2=O+H2O     | 1  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 0  | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 16 H+HO2=O2+H2     | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 17 H+HO2=OH+OH     | 0  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 2  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0 | 0 |
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| 22 OH+HO2=O2+H2O   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 24 HO2+HO2=O2+H2O2 | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | -2  | 1    | 0 | 0 |
| 1 O+O+M=O2+M       | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 2 O+H+M=OH+M       | -1 | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 3 H+H+M=H2+M       | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 4 H+H+H2=H2+H2     | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
| 5 H+H+H2O=H2+H2O   | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
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|----------------------|----|
| EO                   | EH |
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| 0                    | 1  |
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Stoichiometric coefficients:

$$v_{j\ell} = v_{j\ell}^- - v_{j\ell}^+$$

$$b_{i\ell}^{EL} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^{EL} v_{j\ell} = 0$$

$$v_\ell$$

$$a_i^{EL} \cdot v_\ell = 0$$

| Reaction           | O  | O2 | H  | H2 | OH | H2O | HO2 | H2O2 |   |   |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|---|---|
| 11 O+H2=H+OH       | -1 | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
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| 20 OH+H2=H+H2O     | 0  | 0  | 1  | -1 | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 |
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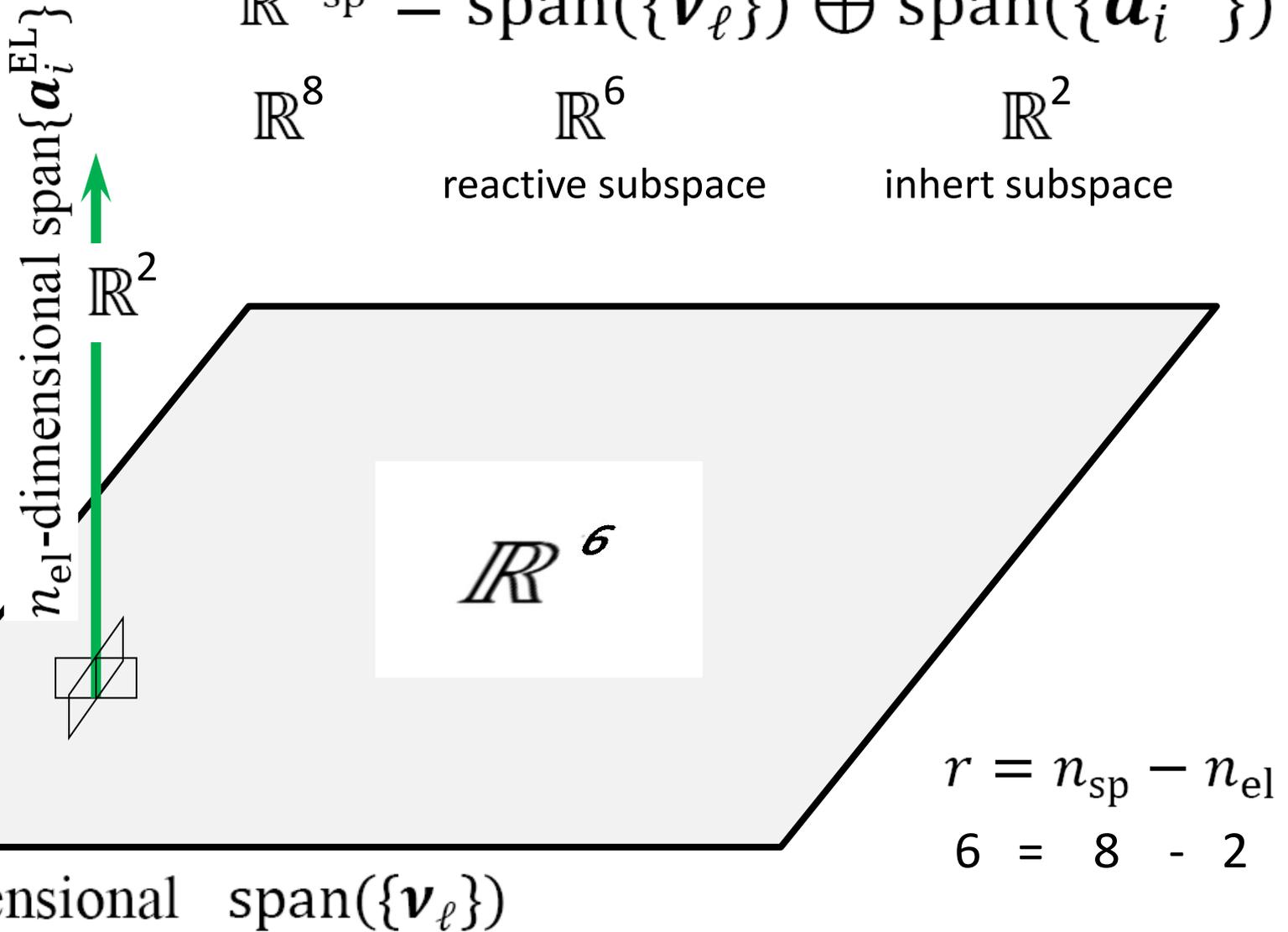
$$\mathbb{R}^{n_{\text{sp}}} = \text{span}(\{\mathbf{v}_\ell\}) \oplus \text{span}(\{\mathbf{a}_i^{\text{EL}}\})$$

 $\mathbb{R}^8$  $\mathbb{R}^6$  $\mathbb{R}^2$ 

reactive subspace

inert subspace

$n_{\text{el}}$ -dimensional  $\text{span}\{\mathbf{a}_i^{\text{EL}}\}$

 $\mathbb{R}^2$  $\mathbb{R}^6$ 

$$r = n_{\text{sp}} - n_{\text{el}}$$

$$6 = 8 - 2$$

$r$ -dimensional  $\text{span}(\{\mathbf{v}_\ell\})$



# At thermodynamic equilibrium ... (inlet)

The *equilibrium composition*  $X^E$  minimizes the Gibbs free energy for the instantaneous local values of temperature  $T$ , pressure  $p$ , element amounts  $N_i^{EL}$ , :

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n_{sp}} a_{ij}^{EL} N_j = N_i^{EL} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n_{el}$$

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$$-\frac{1}{RT} \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} \mu_j(T, p, \mathbf{X}) \nu_{j\ell} = 0$$

**Necessary condition for chemical equilibrium**

Chemical potentials

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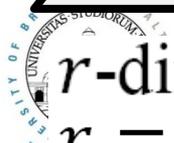
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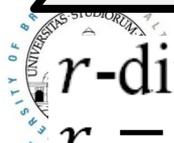
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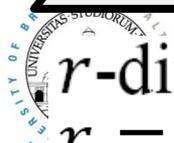
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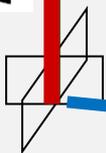
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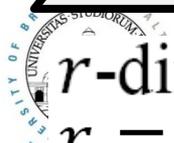
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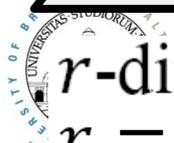
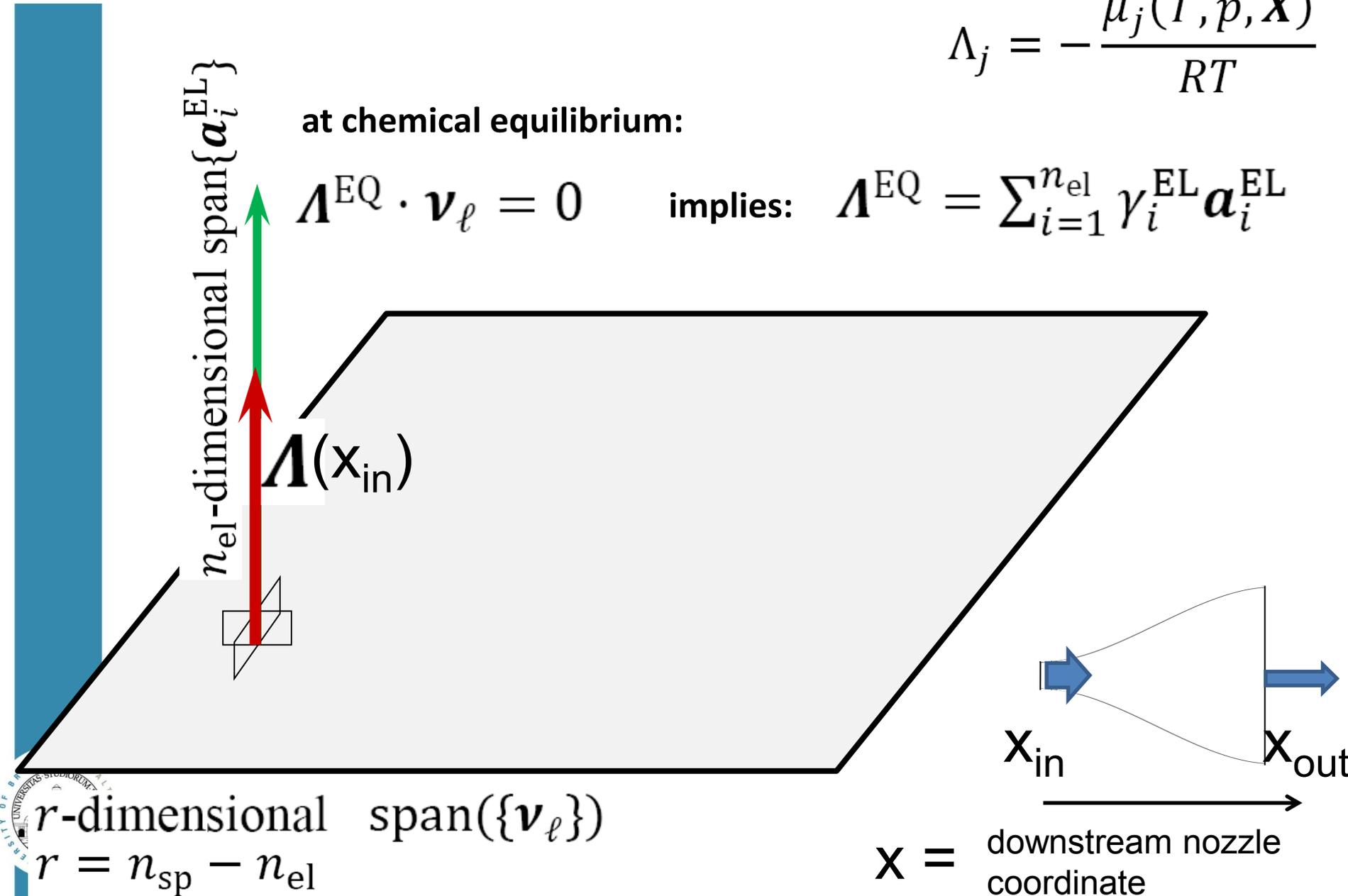
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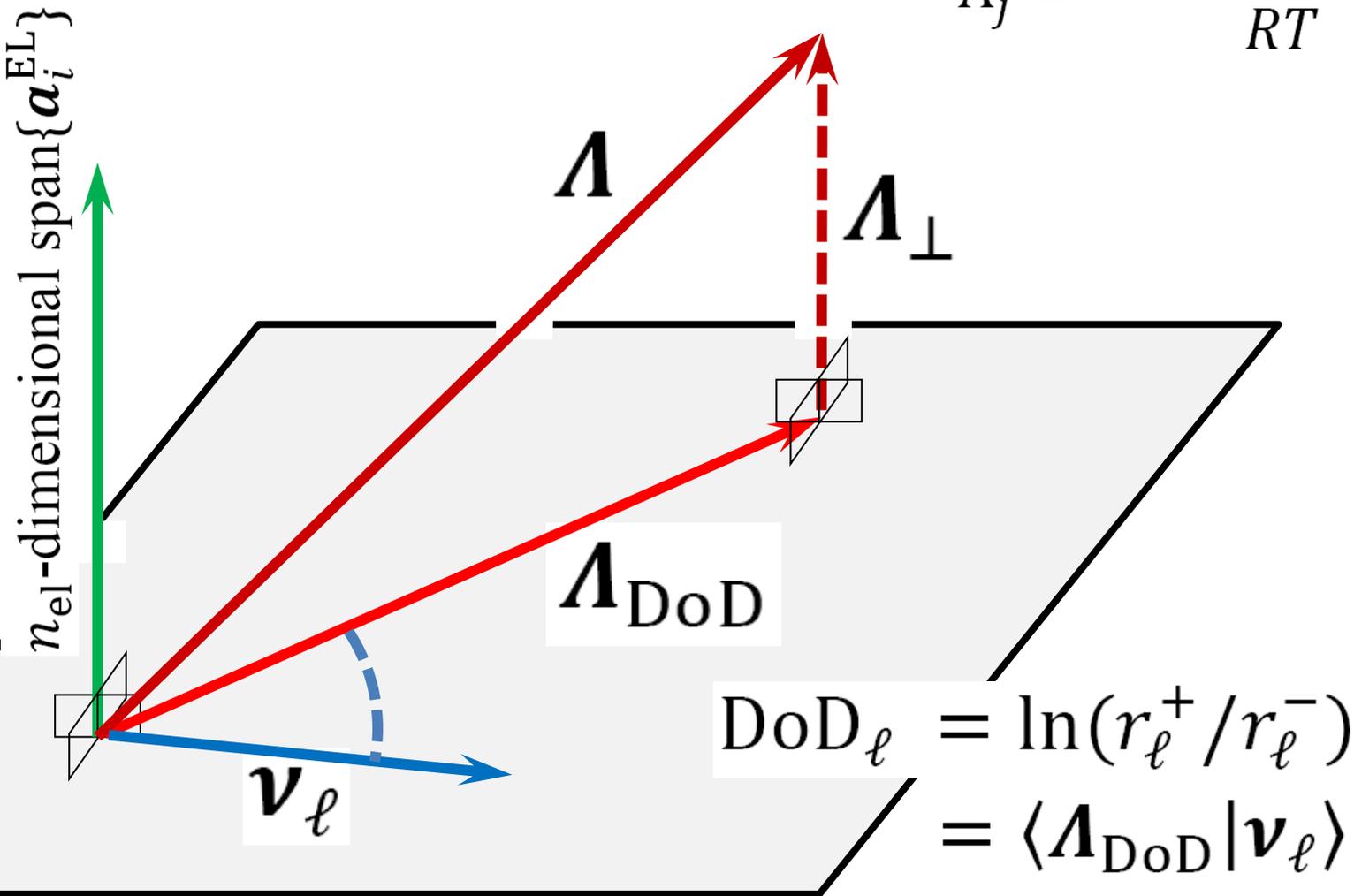
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**Degree of disequilibrium of reaction  $\ell$**

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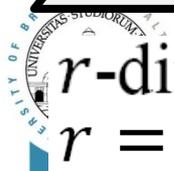
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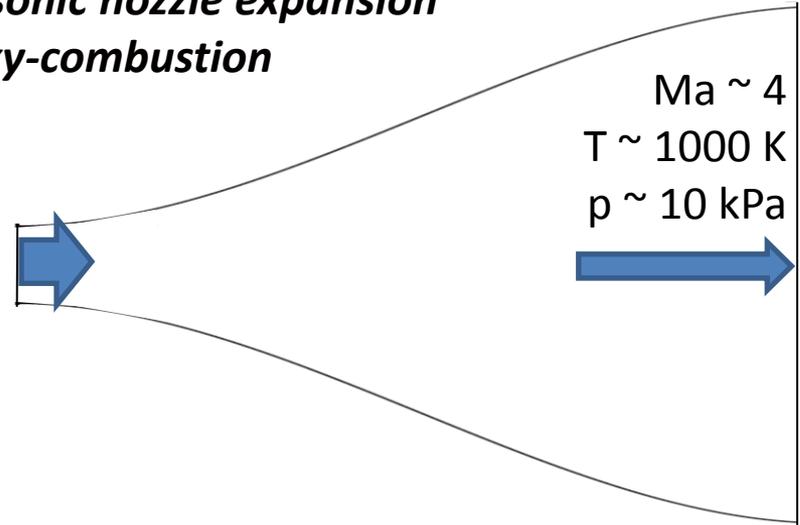
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# Detailed Kinetic Model (DKM)

**ROCKET EXAMPLE: Steady-state supersonic nozzle expansion of high-temperature products of H<sub>2</sub> oxy-combustion**

Ma = 1  
T = 3000 K  
p = 2.5 MPa



**Governing equations**

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$$\rho u \frac{du}{dx} + \frac{dp}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{momentum}$$

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$$\rho u \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_{sp}} C_{p_j} Y_j \right) \frac{dT}{dx} + \sum_{i=j}^{N_{sp}} h_j M_j \dot{\omega}_j + \rho u^2 \frac{du}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{energy}$$

$$p = NR_u T \quad \text{ideal gas}$$

**8 species: H, H<sub>2</sub>, O, O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, OH, HO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>**

**Rate equations**

$$\dot{\omega}_j = \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_r} \nu_{j\ell} (r_{\ell}^{+} - r_{\ell}^{-})$$

$$r_{\ell}^{\pm} = k_{\ell}^{\pm}(T) \prod_{j=1}^{n_s} [N_j]^{\nu_{j\ell}^{\pm}}$$

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$$k_{\ell}^{-}(T) = k_{\ell}^{+}(T) / K_{\ell}^{\text{CO}}(T)$$

$$K_{\ell}^{\text{CO}}(T) = (p_o/RT)^{\nu_{\ell}} \exp(-\Delta g_{\ell}^o(T)/RT)$$

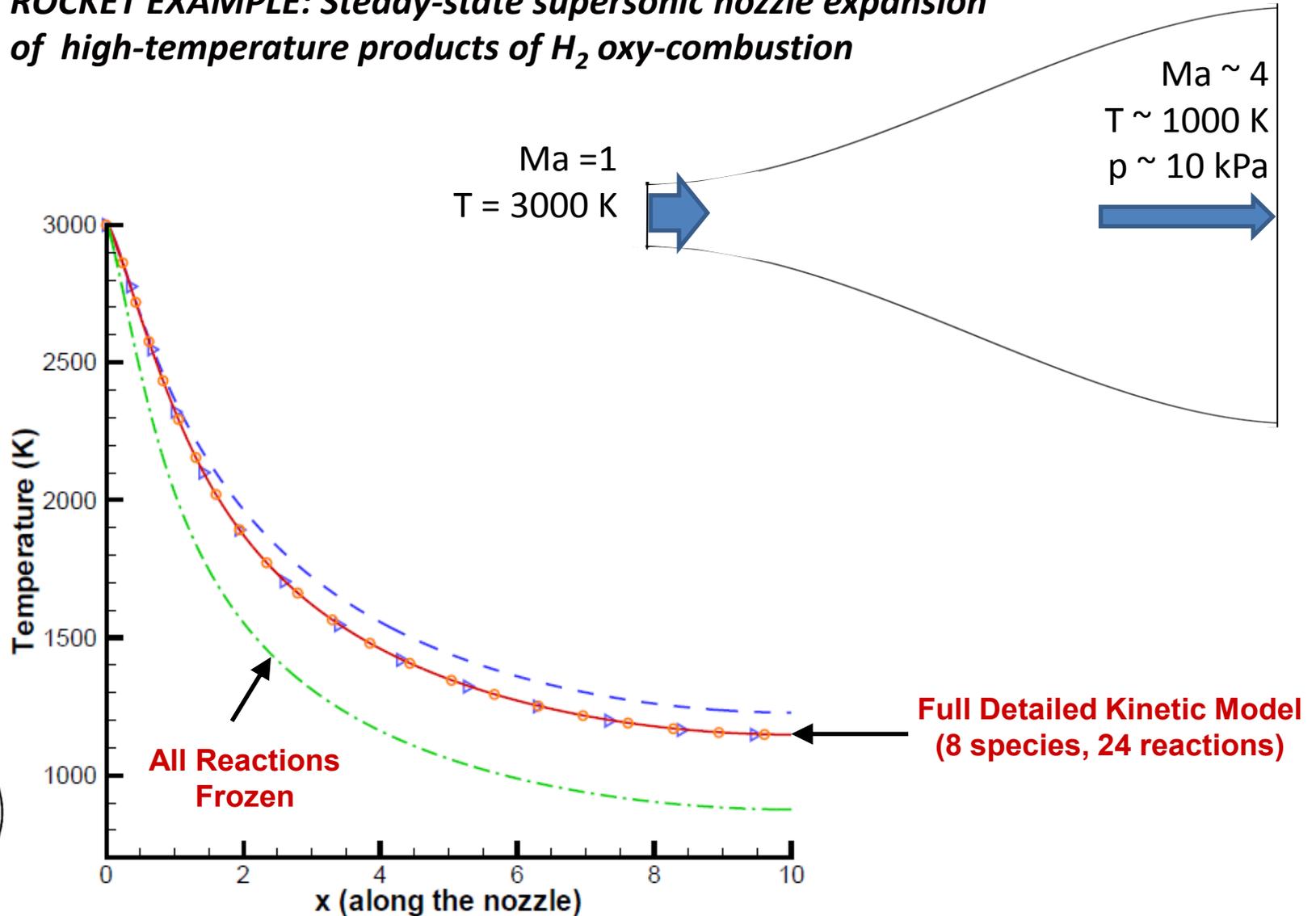
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**24 reactions**



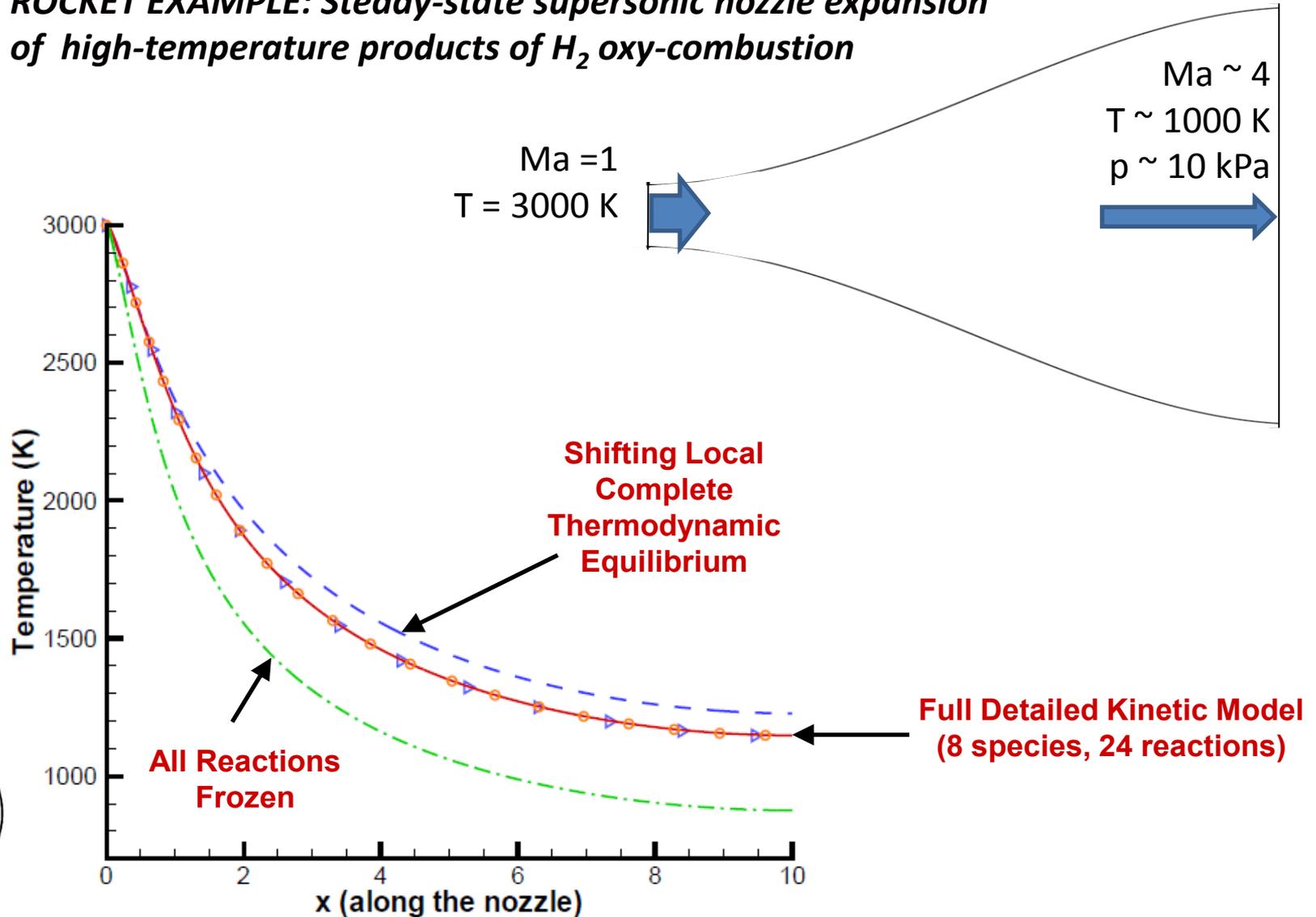
# Frozen kinetics yields poor approximation

*ROCKET EXAMPLE: Steady-state supersonic nozzle expansion  
of high-temperature products of  $H_2$  oxy-combustion*



# Assuming shifting equilibrium also yields poor approximation...

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# Rate constants for 24 reactions (DKM)

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|    | Reactions        | A        | b    | E     |
|----|------------------|----------|------|-------|
| 1  | O+O+M=O2+M       | 1.20E+17 | -1   | 0     |
| 2  | O+H+M=OH+M       | 5.00E+17 | -1   | 0     |
| 3  | H+H+M=H2+M       | 1.00E+18 | -1   | 0     |
| 4  | H+H+H2=H2+H2     | 9.00E+16 | -0.6 | 0     |
| 5  | H+H+H2O=H2+H2O   | 6.00E+19 | -1.3 | 0     |
| 6  | H+OH+M=H2O+M     | 2.20E+22 | -2   | 0     |
| 7  | H+O2+M=HO2+M     | 2.80E+18 | -0.9 | 0     |
| 8  | H+O2+O2=HO2+O2   | 2.08E+19 | -1.2 | 0     |
| 9  | H+O2+H2O=HO2+H2O | 1.13E+19 | -0.8 | 0     |
| 10 | OH+OH+M=H2O2+M   | 7.40E+13 | -0.4 | 0     |
| 11 | O+H2=H+OH        | 3.87E+04 | 2.7  | 6260  |
| 12 | O+HO2=OH+O2      | 2.00E+13 | 0    | 0     |
| 13 | O+H2O2=OH+HO2    | 9.63E+06 | 2    | 4000  |
| 14 | H+O2=O+OH        | 2.65E+16 | -0.7 | 17041 |
| 15 | H+HO2=O+H2O      | 3.97E+12 | 0    | 671   |
| 16 | H+HO2=O2+H2      | 4.48E+13 | 0    | 1068  |
| 17 | H+HO2=OH+OH      | 8.40E+13 | 0    | 635   |
| 18 | H+H2O2=HO2+H2    | 1.21E+07 | 2    | 5200  |
| 19 | H+H2O2=OH+H2O    | 1.00E+13 | 0    | 3600  |
| 20 | OH+H2=H+H2O      | 2.16E+08 | 1.5  | 3430  |
| 21 | OH+OH=O+H2O      | 3.57E+04 | 2.4  | -2110 |
| 22 | OH+HO2=O2+H2O    | 1.45E+13 | 0    | -500  |
| 23 | OH+H2O2=HO2+H2O  | 2.00E+12 | 0    | 427   |
| 24 | HO2+HO2=O2+H2O2  | 1.30E+11 | 0    | -1630 |

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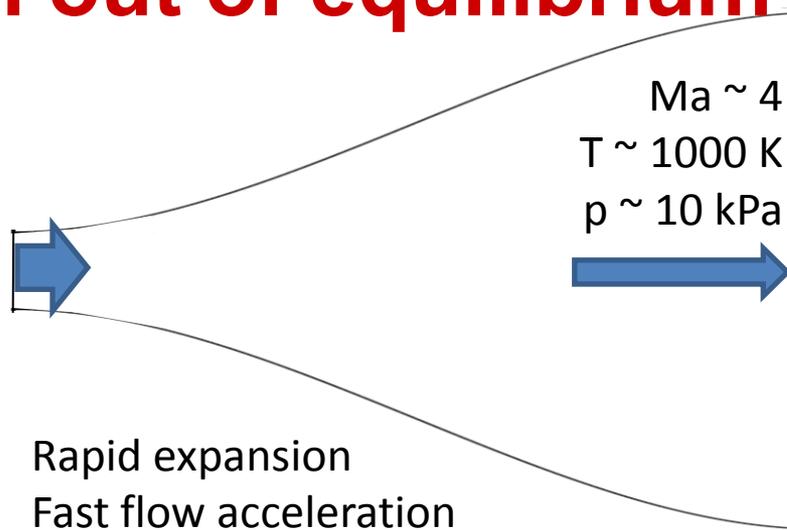
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# ...because the rapid expansion throws the composition out of equilibrium

products of H<sub>2</sub>-O<sub>2</sub> combustion enter nozzle at equilibrium  
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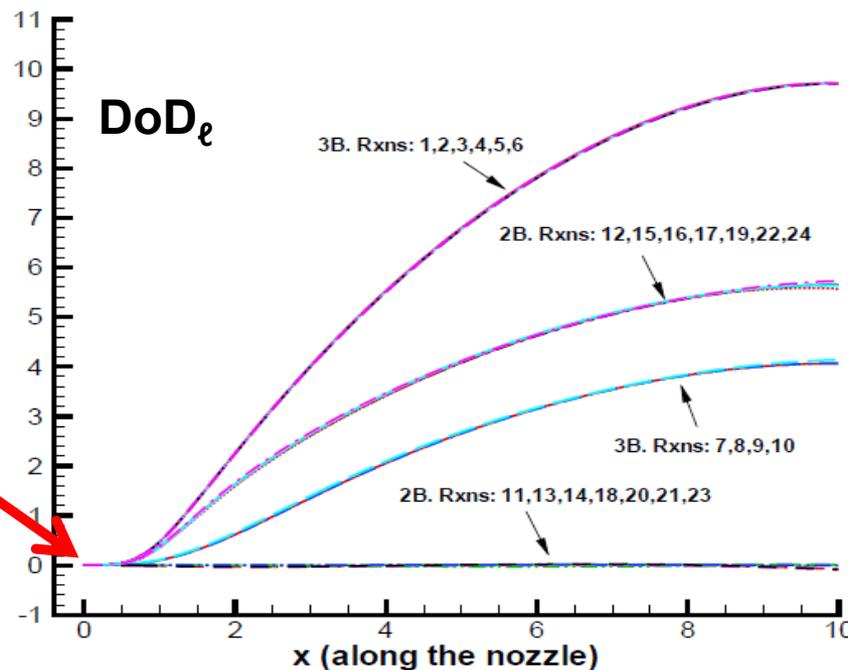
Short residence time (few ms)  
 Chemistry does not keep up  
 Composition goes off equilibrium  
**Degrees of disequilibrium** build up

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$$= -\frac{1}{RT} \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} \nu_{j\ell} \mu_j$$

all DoD's = 0

The composition is thrown out of equilibrium due to rapid expansion



# So, we need to consider the full DKM

Including the differential equations for the rates of all  $n_{sp} - n_{el}$  independent species

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 p = 2.5 MPa

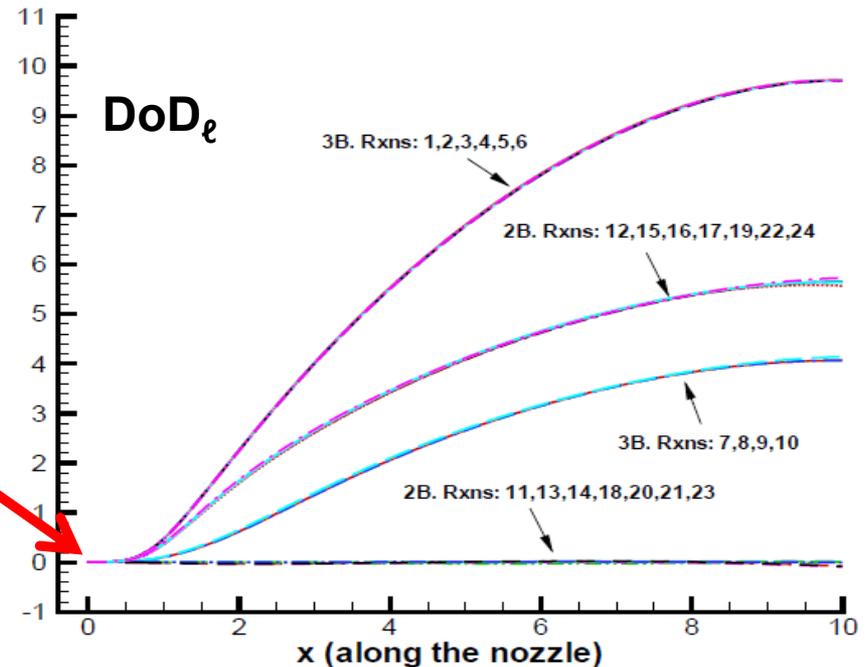
Ma ~ 4  
 T ~ 1000 K  
 p ~ 10 kPa

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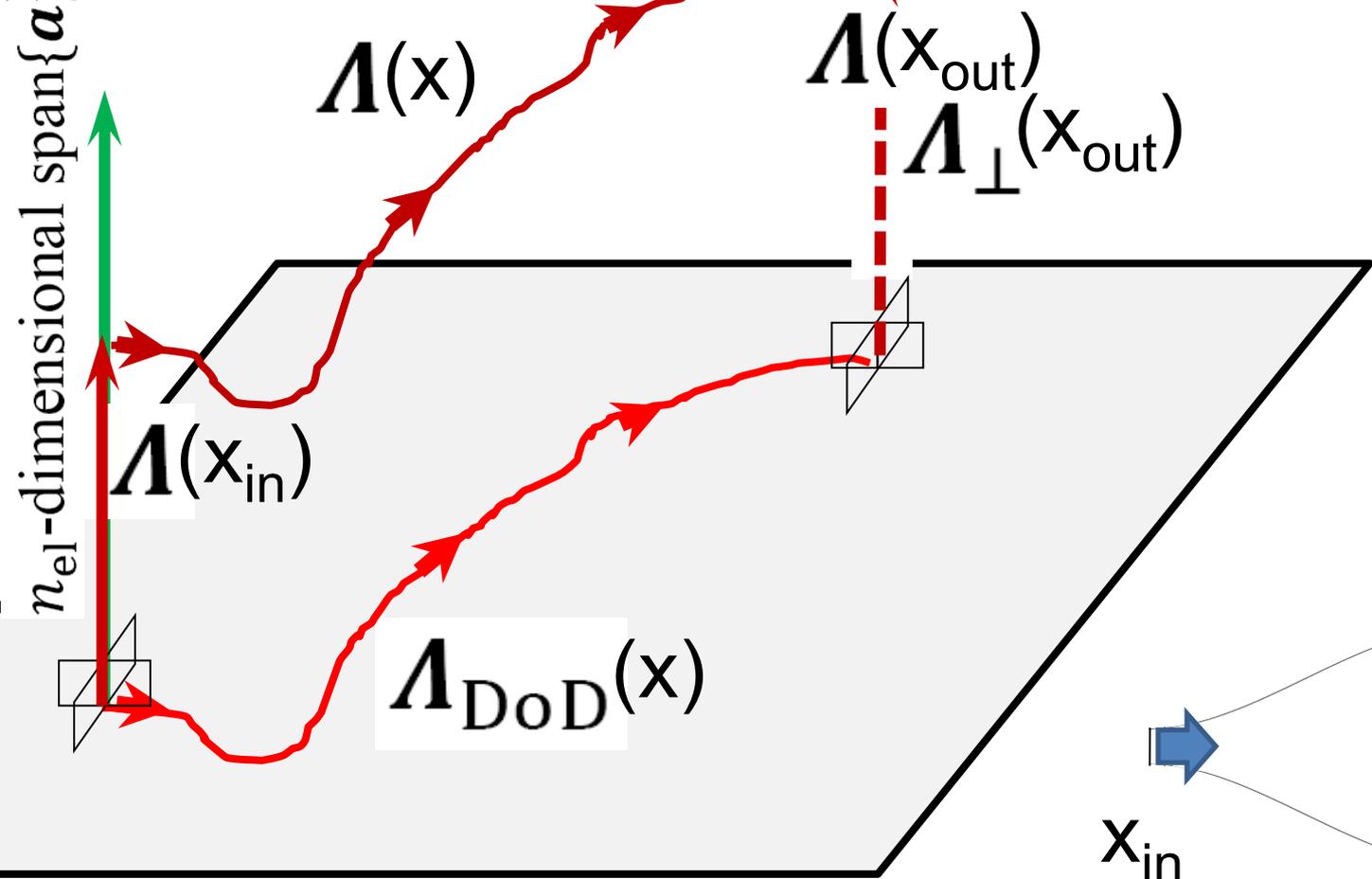
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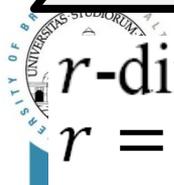
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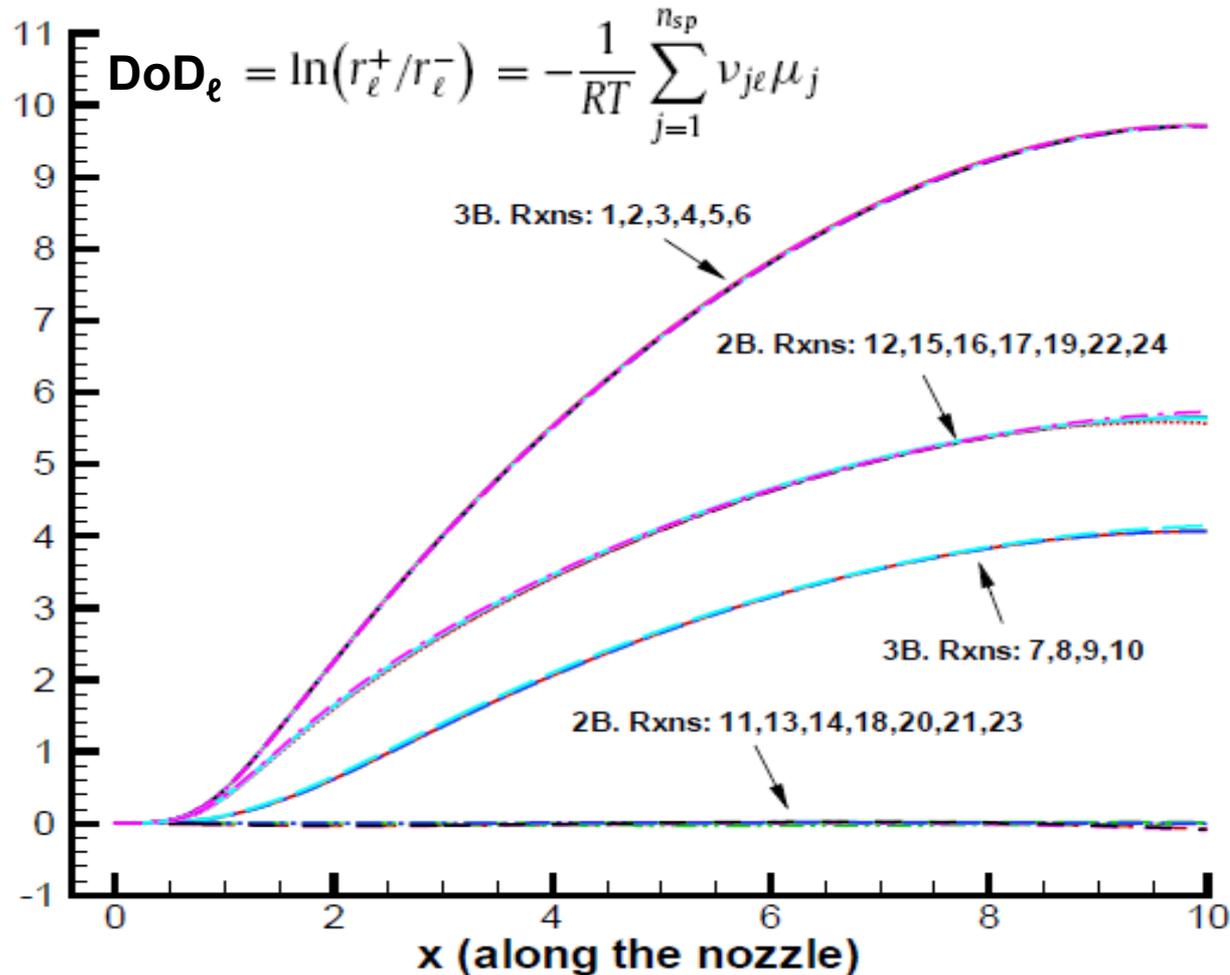
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$\mathbf{x} =$  downstream nozzle coordinate



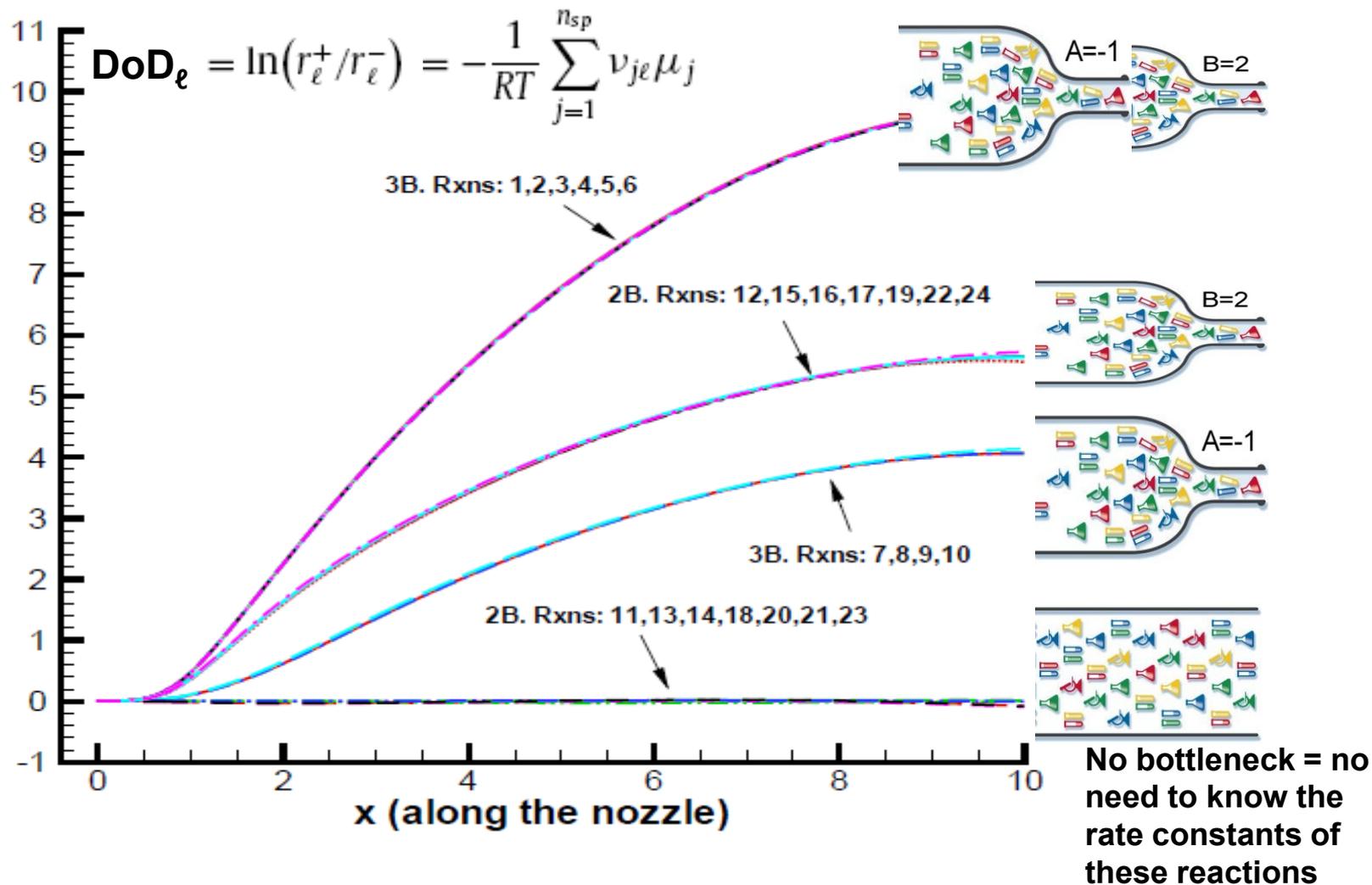
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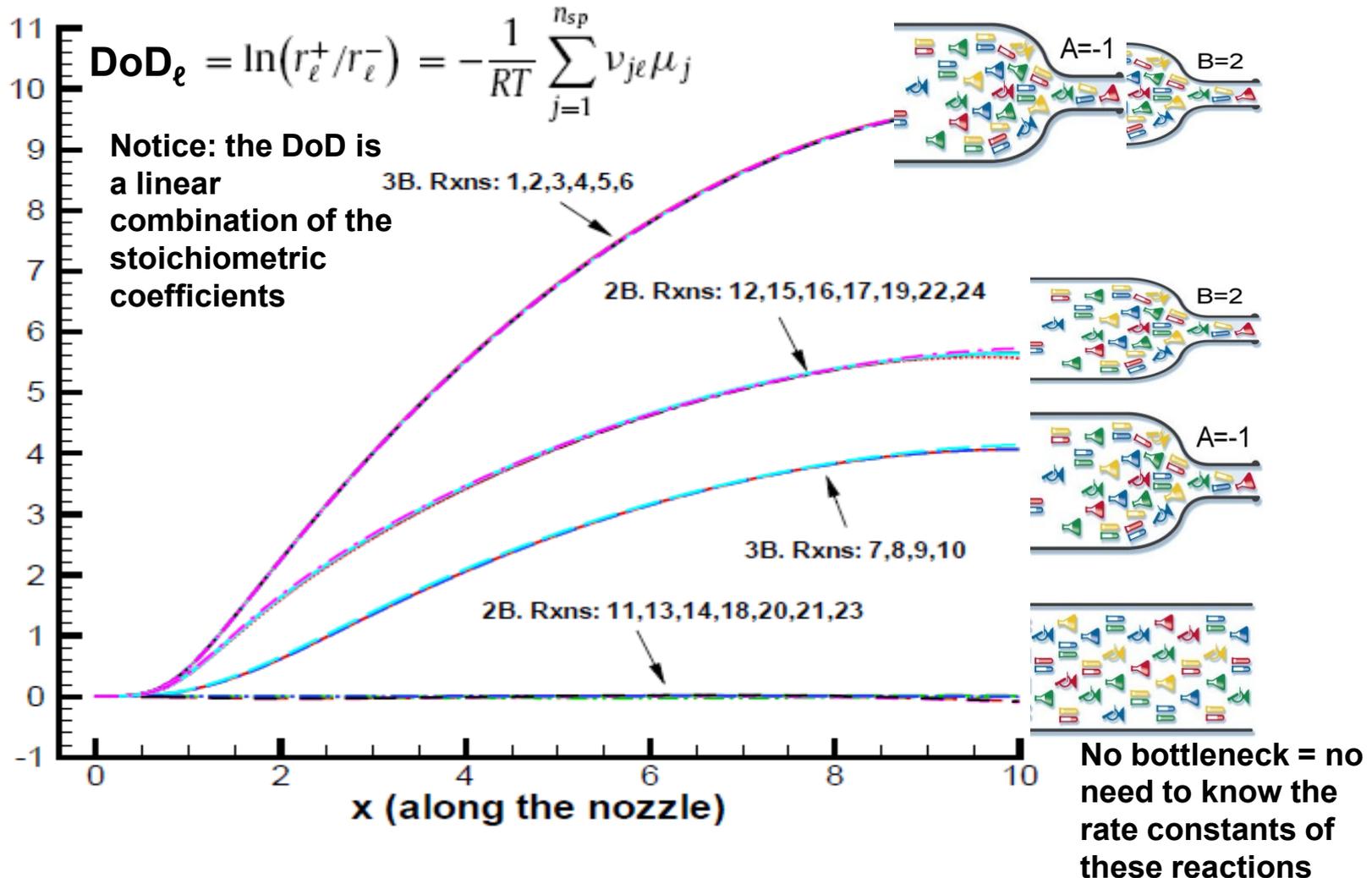
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**bottleneck mechanisms**



# RCCE model reduction strategy

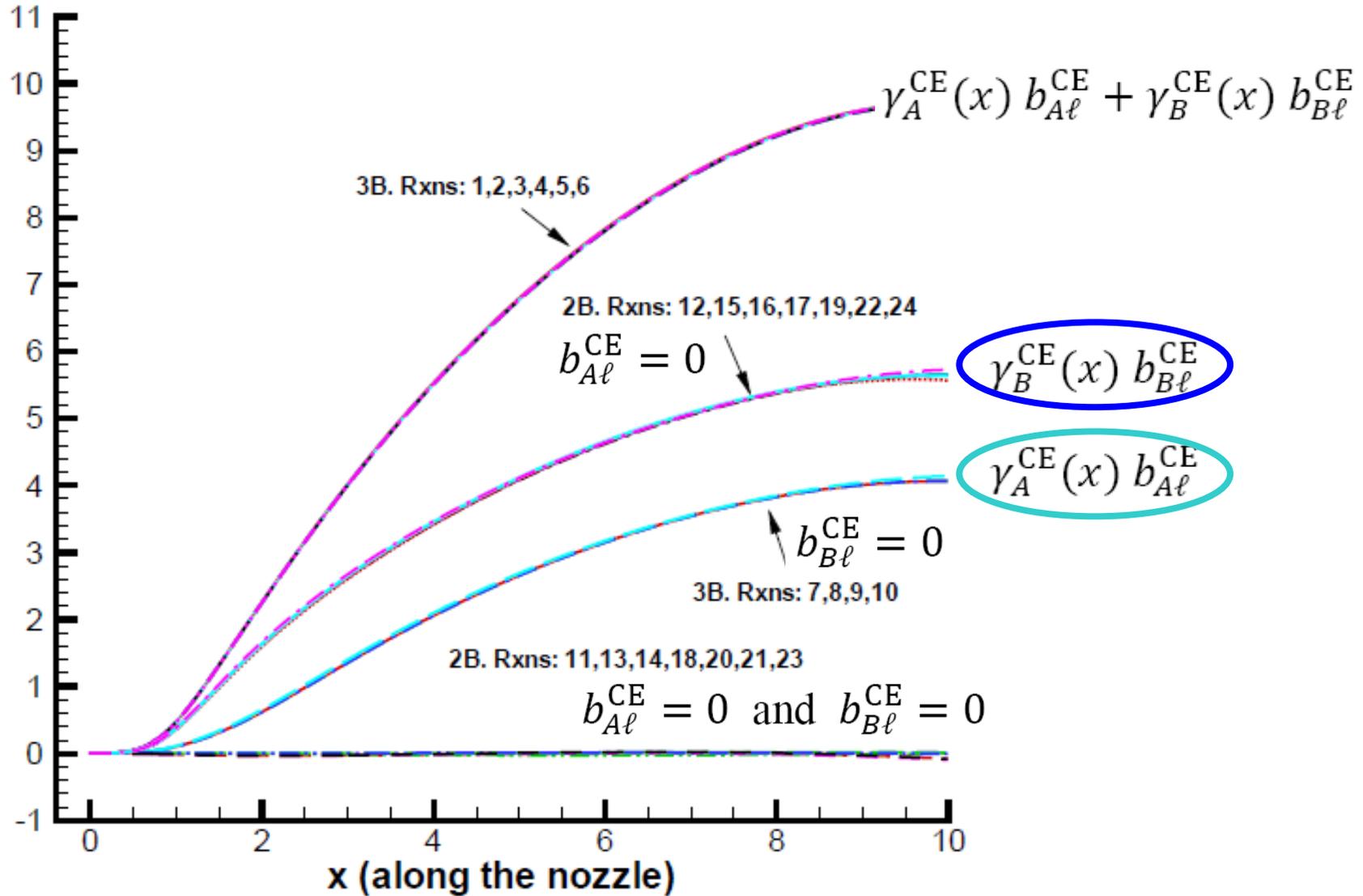
- 1) Identify the main bottleneck mechanisms
- 2) Identify the associated constraints



RCCE = Rate Controlled Constrained Equilibrium



# DoD analysis allows constraint identification



$$\text{DoD}_\ell = \gamma_A^{CE} b_{Al}^{CE} + \gamma_B^{CE} b_{Bl}^{CE}$$

$$\text{DoD}_\ell(x) = \gamma_A^{CE}(x) b_{Al}^{CE} + \gamma_B^{CE}(x) b_{Bl}^{CE}$$



# local

# equilibrium

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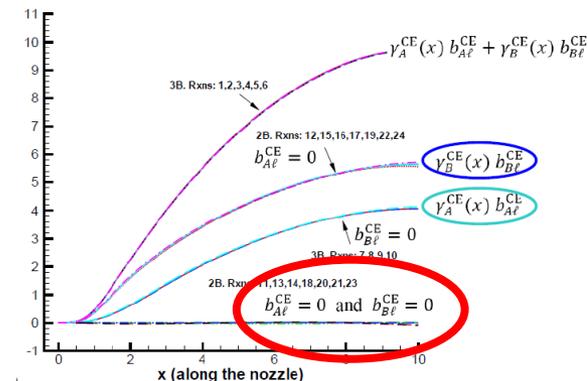
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# RCCE concept: local constrained equilibrium

The *constrained equilibrium composition*  $\mathbf{X}^{\text{CE}}$  minimizes the Gibbs free energy for the instantaneous local values of temperature  $T$ , pressure  $p$ , element amounts  $N_i^{\text{EL}}$ , and a set of  $n_c (< r)$  rate-controlling constraint densities  $c_i(\mathbf{N})$ ,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n_{sp}} a_{ij}^{\text{EL}} N_j = N_i^{\text{EL}} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n_{\text{el}} \quad X_j^{\text{CE}} = \frac{[N_j]}{\sum_{j=1}^{n_{sp}} [N_j]}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n_{sp}} a_{ij}^{\text{CE}} N_j = c_i(\mathbf{N}) \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n_c$$

For ideal gas behavior,  $\mu_j(T, p, \mathbf{X}) = g_{j,\text{pure}}(T, p) + RT \ln(X_j)$ , the constrained minimization yields the composition  $\mathbf{X}^{\text{CE}}$

$$\ln X_j^{\text{CE}} = -\frac{1}{RT} g_{j,\text{pure}}(T, p) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{el}}} \gamma_i^{\text{EL}} a_{ij}^{\text{EL}} - \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} \gamma_i^{\text{CE}} a_{ij}^{\text{CE}}$$

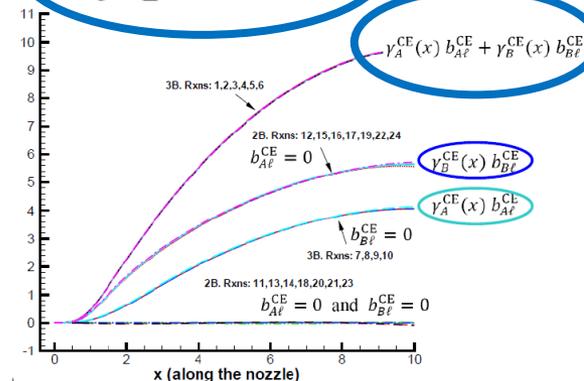
and, therefore, recalling that  $b_{i\ell}^{\text{EL}} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^{\text{EL}} v_{j\ell} = 0$ ,

$$\text{DoD}_\ell = \ln(r_\ell^+ / r_\ell^-) = -\frac{1}{RT} \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} v_{j\ell} \mu_j = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} \gamma_i^{\text{CE}} b_{i\ell}^{\text{CE}}$$

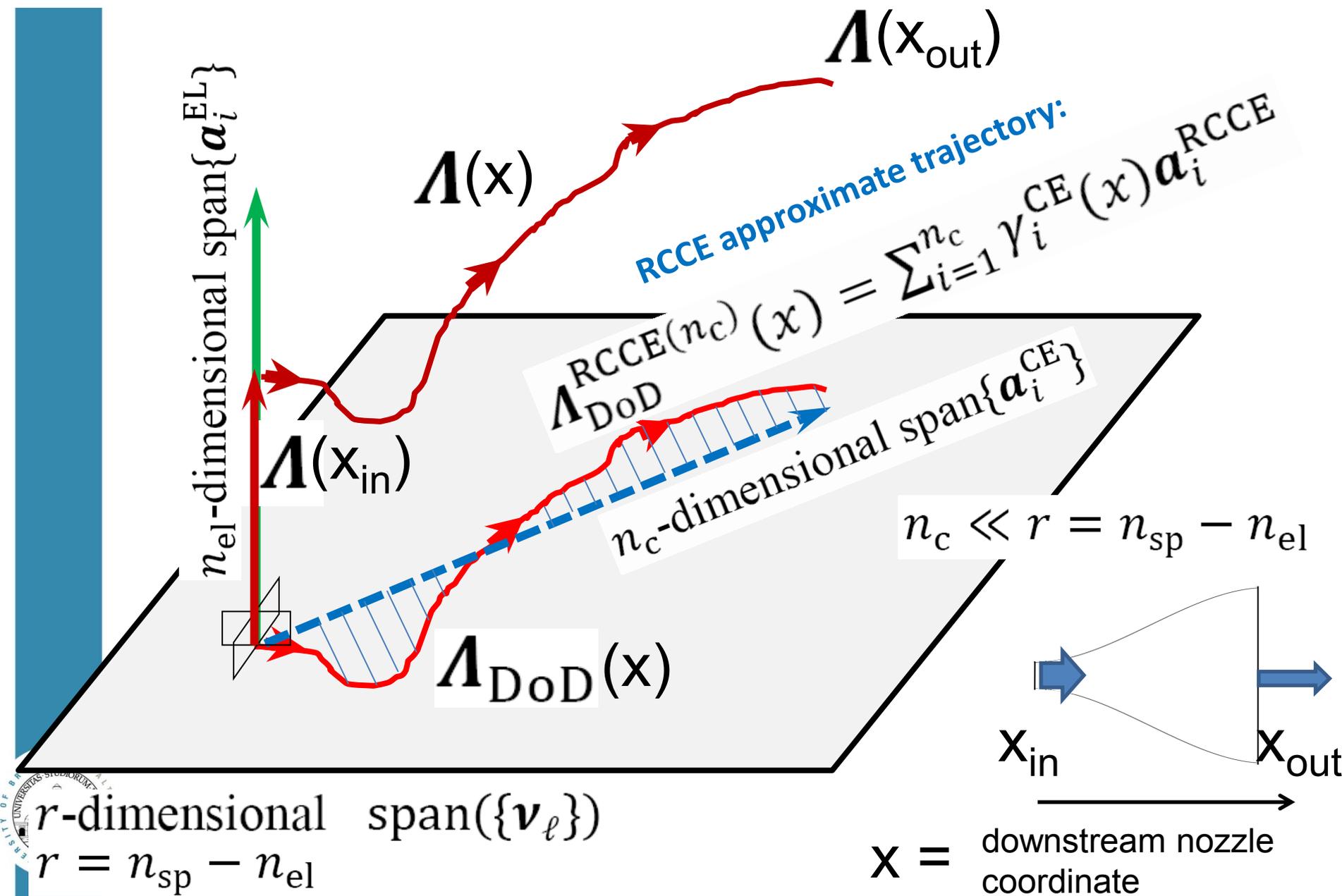
where  $b_{i\ell}^{\text{CE}} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^{\text{CE}} v_{j\ell}$ .

$$\text{DoD}_\ell(x) = \Lambda_{\text{DoD}}^{\text{CE}(n_c)}(t_p) \cdot v_\ell$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{DoD}}^{\text{CE}(n_c)}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} \gamma_i^{\text{CE}}(x) a_i^{\text{CE}}$$

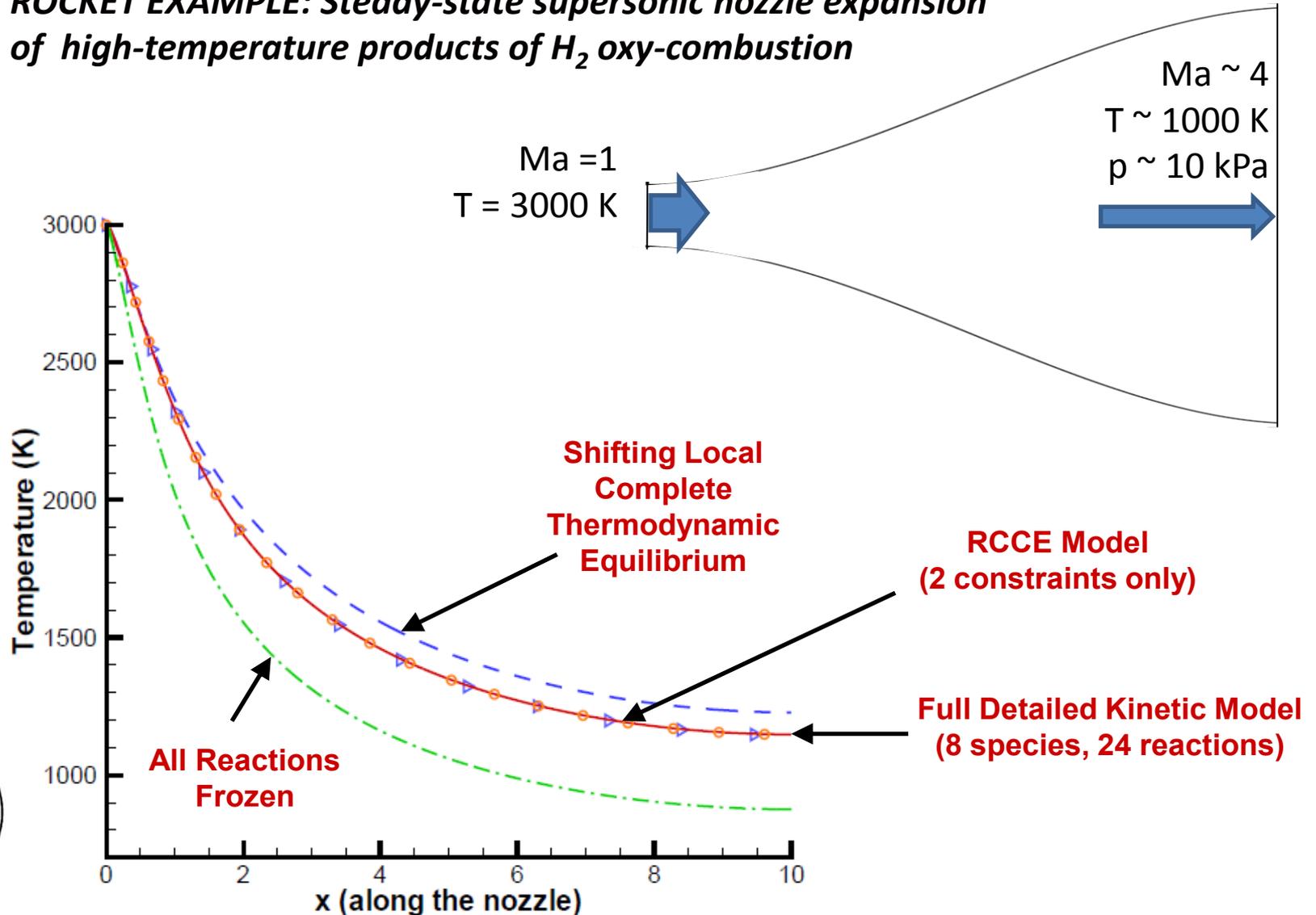


$$\mathbb{R}^{n_{\text{sp}}} = \text{span}(\{\mathbf{v}_\ell\}) \oplus \text{span}(\{\mathbf{a}_i^{\text{EL}}\})$$



# RCCE yields excellent predictions, IF we select the 'right' constraints

*ROCKET EXAMPLE: Steady-state supersonic nozzle expansion of high-temperature products of  $H_2$  oxy-combustion*



# Rate equations for the constraint potentials

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where  $\dot{N}_j^{\rightarrow}$  and  $\dot{E}^{\rightarrow}$  denote the species and energy transport rates (positive if outgoing) and the bottleneck source terms are

$$\dot{c}_{i,\text{chem}}(\beta, p, \mathbf{N}) = V \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_r} \left( \sum_{m=1}^{n_{sp}} a_{im}^{RC} \nu_{m\ell} \right) \left[ \frac{k_{\ell}^{+}(\beta, p)}{V^{\nu_{\ell}^{+}}} \prod_{j=1}^{n_{sp}} (N_j)^{\nu_{j\ell}^{+}} - \frac{k_{\ell}^{-}(\beta, p)}{V^{\nu_{\ell}^{-}}} \prod_{j=1}^{n_{sp}} (N_j)^{\nu_{j\ell}^{-}} \right] \quad (11)$$

and of course the composition is that given by Eq. (1), i.e.,

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The above  $n_{el} + n_{nc} + 2$  implicit differential equations together with the  $n_{sp}$  Eqs. (12) can be solved for given values of  $\dot{E}^{\rightarrow}$ ,  $V(t)$ , and the  $\dot{N}_j^{\rightarrow}$ , to yield the  $n_{sp} + 2$  state variables  $\beta(t)$ ,  $p(t)$ , and  $N_j(t)$ , and the  $n_{el} + n_c$  constraint-potentials  $\gamma_i^{EL}(t)$  and  $\gamma_i^{RC}(t)$ .

It is important to notice that in Eqs. (11) only the chemical reactions that are not equilibrated contribute to  $\dot{c}_{i,\text{chem}}$ , i.e., only those for which  $b_{i\ell}^{RC} = \sum_{m=1}^{n_{sp}} a_{im}^{RC} \nu_{m\ell} \neq 0$ . In fact, from Eqs. (2), (14) and (6) we can write

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which shows that within the RCCE approximation, whereby we set to zero the singular values  $\sigma_{n_c+1} = \sigma_{n_c+2} = \dots = \sigma_r = 0$  and we set  $a_{ij}^{RC} = U_{ji}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n_c$ , the DoD's are given by

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## EQUATIONS

differential equations  $n_{el} + n_{nc} + 2$   
 algebraic equations  $n_{sp}$

## UNKNOWN

state variables  $(T, p, \mathbf{N})$   $n_{sp} + 2$   
 constraint potentials  $n_{el} + n_c$

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**RCCE composition depends on only  $2+n_{\text{el}}+n_{\text{c}}$  parameters**

**So, instead of the  $n_{\text{s}}$  species balance equations**

$$[N_j] \frac{du}{dx} + u \frac{d[N_j]}{dx} + u [N_j] \left( \frac{1}{A} \frac{dA}{dx} \right) = \dot{\omega}_j$$

**we need only  $2+n_{\text{el}}+n_{\text{c}}$  differential equations**

$$n_{\text{el}} + n_{\text{c}} \ll n_{\text{s}}$$

Hydrogen/Oxygen: 2 + 2      8

Methane/Air simplified: 3 + 10      29

Methane/Air full: 5 + 11      53



# Complexity of comprehensive DKM's for hydrocarbon fuels

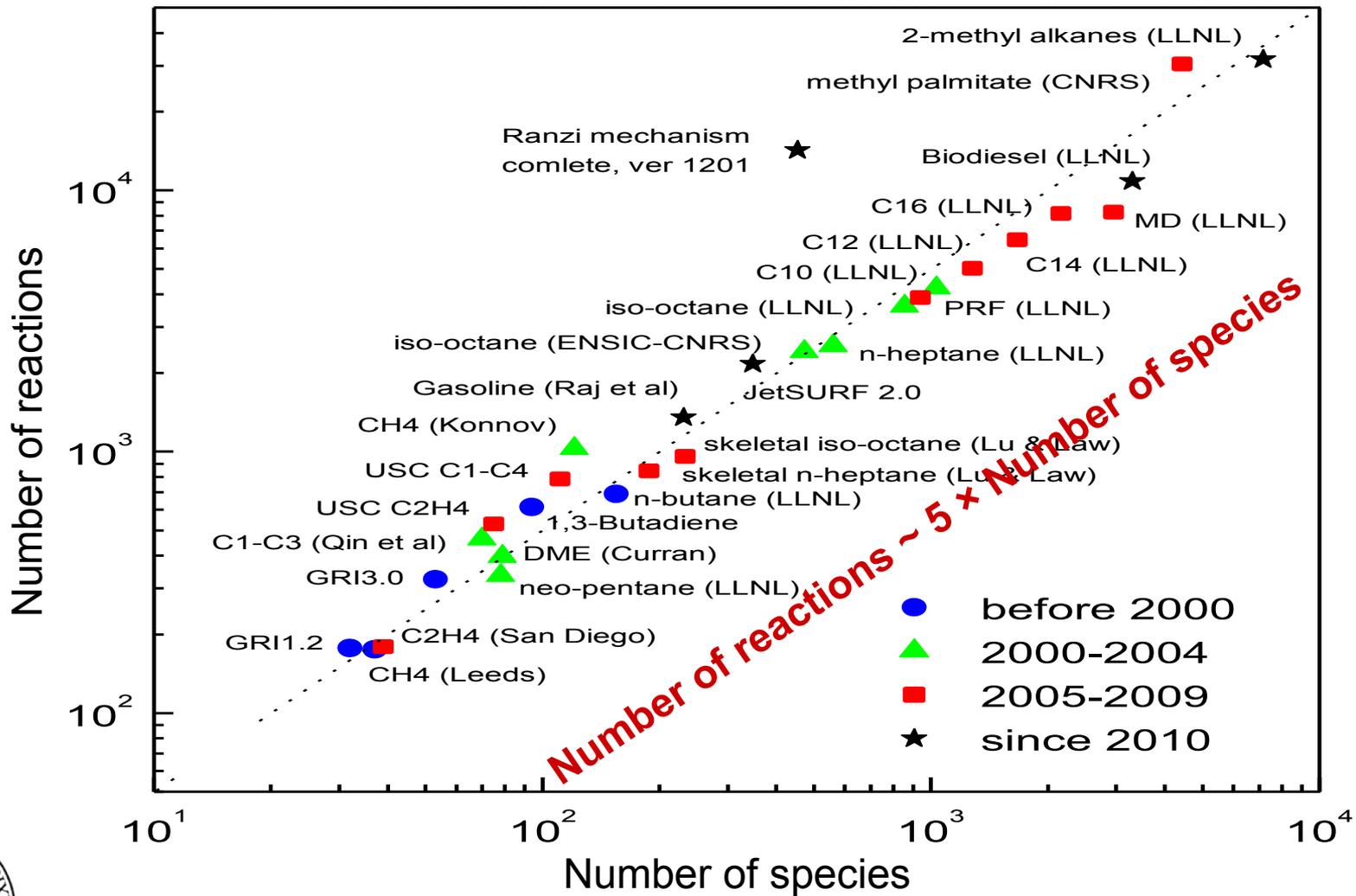


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- No need to cut the list of species  
(yields excellent results also for the minor species)
- No need to cut the list of reactions  
(but only those 'less orthogonal' to the constraints contribute)  
(so the method is 'forgiving' with respect to poor rate constants)
- No need to check thermodynamic consistency  
(second law compatibility automatically satisfied)

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# But how do we find the 'right' constraints

| Reaction                                       | $A$                   | $n$   | $E_a$  |
|--|-----------------------|-------|--------|
| $H_2/O_2$ Chain Reactions                      |                       |       |        |
| $\dot{H} + O_2 = \dot{O} + \dot{O}H$           | $1.91 \times 10^{14}$ | 0.00  | 16.44  |
| $\dot{O} + H_2 = \dot{H} + \dot{O}H$           | $5.08 \times 10^4$    | 2.67  | 6.292  |
| $\dot{O}H + H_2 = \dot{H} + H_2O$              | $2.16 \times 10^8$    | 1.51  | 3.43   |
| $\dot{O} + H_2O = \dot{O}H + \dot{O}H$         | $2.97 \times 10^6$    | 2.02  | 13.4   |
| $H_2/O_2$ Dissociation/Recombination Reactions |                       |       |        |
| $H_2 + M = \dot{H} + \dot{H} + M$              | $4.57 \times 10^{19}$ | -1.40 | 105.1  |
| $\dot{O} + \dot{O} + M = O_2 + M$              | $6.17 \times 10^{15}$ | -0.50 | 0.00   |
| $\dot{O} + \dot{H} + M = \dot{O}H + M$         | $4.72 \times 10^{18}$ | -1.00 | 0.00   |
| $\dot{H} + \dot{O}H + M = H_2O + M$            | $4.50 \times 10^{22}$ | -2.00 | 0.00   |
| Formation and consumption of $\dot{H}O_2$      |                       |       |        |
| $\dot{H} + O_2 + M = \dot{H}O_2 + M$           | $3.48 \times 10^{16}$ | -0.41 | -1.12  |
| $\dot{H} + O_2 = \dot{H}O_2$                   | $1.48 \times 10^{12}$ | 0.60  | 0.00   |
| $\dot{H}O_2 + \dot{H} = H_2 + O_2$             | $1.66 \times 10^{13}$ | 0.00  | 0.82   |
| $\dot{H}O_2 + \dot{H} = \dot{O}H + \dot{O}H$   | $7.08 \times 10^{13}$ | 0.00  | 0.30   |
| $\dot{H}O_2 + \dot{O} = \dot{O}H + O_2$        | $3.25 \times 10^{13}$ | 0.00  | 0.00   |
| $\dot{H}O_2 + \dot{O}H = H_2O + O_2$           | $2.89 \times 10^{13}$ | 0.00  | -0.50  |
| Formation and Consumption of $H_2O_2$          |                       |       |        |
| $\dot{H}O_2 + \dot{H}O_2 = H_2O_2 + O_2$       | $4.2 \times 10^{14}$  | 0.00  | 11.98  |
| $\dot{H}O_2 + \dot{H}O_2 = H_2O_2 + O_2$       | $1.3 \times 10^{11}$  | 0.00  | -1.629 |
| $H_2O_2 + M = \dot{O}H + \dot{O}H + M$         | $1.27 \times 10^{17}$ | 0.00  | 45.5   |
| $H_2O_2 = \dot{O}H + \dot{O}H$                 | $2.95 \times 10^{14}$ | 0.00  | 48.4   |
| $H_2O_2 + \dot{H} = H_2O + \dot{O}H$           | $2.41 \times 10^{13}$ | 0.00  | 3.97   |
| $H_2O_2 + \dot{H} = H_2 + \dot{H}O_2$          | $6.03 \times 10^{13}$ | 0.00  | 7.95   |
| $H_2O_2 + \dot{O} = \dot{O}H + \dot{H}O_2$     | $9.55 \times 10^{06}$ | 2.00  | 3.97   |
| $H_2O_2 + \dot{O}H = H_2O + \dot{H}O_2$        | $1.0 \times 10^{12}$  | 0.00  | 0.00   |
| $H_2O_2 + \dot{O}H = H_2O + \dot{H}O_2$        | $5.8 \times 10^{14}$  | 0.00  | 9.56   |

Slow dissociation/recombination  
three body reactions  
(M - Total Moles)

Chain branching/propagating  
reactions  
(FV - Free Valence)

-O-O- bond breaking reactions  
(FO - Free Oxygen)

and many others based on deep  
studies of the detailed mechanisms



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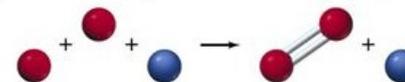
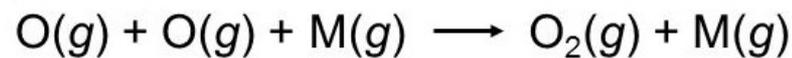


# M – Total Moles

Slow dissociation/recombination  
(three body collisions)

$a_i^M$

$$b_{il}^M = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^M v_{jl}$$



| Species            |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | Typical constraints |    |    |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|---------------------|----|----|
|                    | M  | FV | FO |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| O                  | 1  | 2  | 1  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| O2                 | 1  | 0  | 0  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| H                  | 1  | 1  | 0  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| H2                 | 1  | 0  | 0  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| OH                 | 1  | 1  | 1  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| H2O                | 1  | 0  | 1  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| HO2                | 1  | 1  | 0  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| H2O2               | 1  | 0  | 0  |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| Reaction           | O  | O2 | H  | H2 | OH | H2O | HO2 | H2O2 | M                   | FV | FO |
| 11 O+H2=H+OH       | -1 | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 13 O+H2O2=OH+HO2   | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 14 H+O2=O+OH       | 1  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 2  | 2  |
| 18 H+H2O2=HO2+H2   | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 20 OH+H2=H+H2O     | 0  | 0  | 1  | -1 | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 21 OH+OH=O+H2O     | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 23 OH+H2O2=HO2+H2O | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1   | 1   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 7 H+O2+M=HO2+M     | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
| 8 H+O2+O2=HO2+O2   | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
| 9 H+O2+H2O=HO2+H2O | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
| 10 OH+OH+M=H2O2+M  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 0   | 0   | 1    | -1                  | -2 | -2 |
| 12 O+HO2=OH+O2     | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 15 H+HO2=O+H2O     | 1  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 0  | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
| 16 H+HO2=O2+H2     | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 17 H+HO2=OH+OH     | 0  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 2  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
| 19 H+H2O2=OH+H2O   | 0  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 1   | 0   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
| 22 OH+HO2=O2+H2O   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 24 HO2+HO2=O2+H2O2 | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | -2  | 1    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 1 O+O+M=O2+M       | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -4 | -2 |
| 2 O+H+M=OH+M       | -1 | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1                   | -2 | 0  |
| 3 H+H+M=H2+M       | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |
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| 5 H+H+H2O=H2+H2O   | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |
| 6 H+OH+M=H2O+M     | 0  | 0  | -1 | 0  | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |

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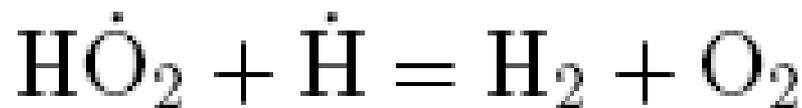
$$b_{i\ell}^M = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^M \nu_{j\ell}$$

# FV – Free Valence

Chain branching/propagating reactions

$$a_i^{FV}$$

$$b_{i\ell}^{FV} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^{FV} \nu_{j\ell}$$



| Reaction           | Species |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | Typical constraints |    |    |
|--------------------|---------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|---------------------|----|----|
|                    | O       | O2 | H  | H2 | OH | H2O | HO2 | H2O2 | M                   | FV | FO |
| 11 O+H2=H+OH       | -1      | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 13 O+H2O2=OH+HO2   | -1      | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 14 H+O2=O+OH       | 1       | -1 | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 2  | 2  |
| 18 H+H2O2=HO2+H2   | 0       | 0  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 20 OH+H2=H+H2O     | 0       | 0  | 1  | -1 | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 21 OH+OH=O+H2O     | 1       | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 23 OH+H2O2=HO2+H2O | 0       | 0  | 0  | 0  | -1 | 1   | 1   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 7 H+O2+M=HO2+M     | 0       | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
| 8 H+O2+O2=HO2+O2   | 0       | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
| 9 H+O2+H2O=HO2+H2O | 0       | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
| 10 OH+OH+M=H2O2+M  | 0       | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 0   | 0   | 1    | -1                  | -2 | -2 |
| 12 O+HO2=OH+O2     | -1      | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 15 H+HO2=O+H2O     | 1       | 0  | -1 | 0  | 0  | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
| 16 H+HO2=O2+H2     | 0       | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 17 H+HO2=OH+OH     | 0       | 0  | -1 | 0  | 2  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
| 19 H+H2O2=OH+H2O   | 0       | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 1   | 0   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
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| 24 HO2+HO2=O2+H2O2 | 0       | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | -2  | 1    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 1 O+O+M=O2+M       | -2      | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -4 | -2 |
| 2 O+H+M=OH+M       | -1      | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |
| 3 H+H+M=H2+M       | 0       | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |
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| 5 H+H+H2O=H2+H2O   | 0       | 0  | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |
| 6 H+OH+M=H2O+M     | 0       | 0  | -1 | 0  | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |

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# FO – Free Oxygen

-O-O- bond breaking reactions

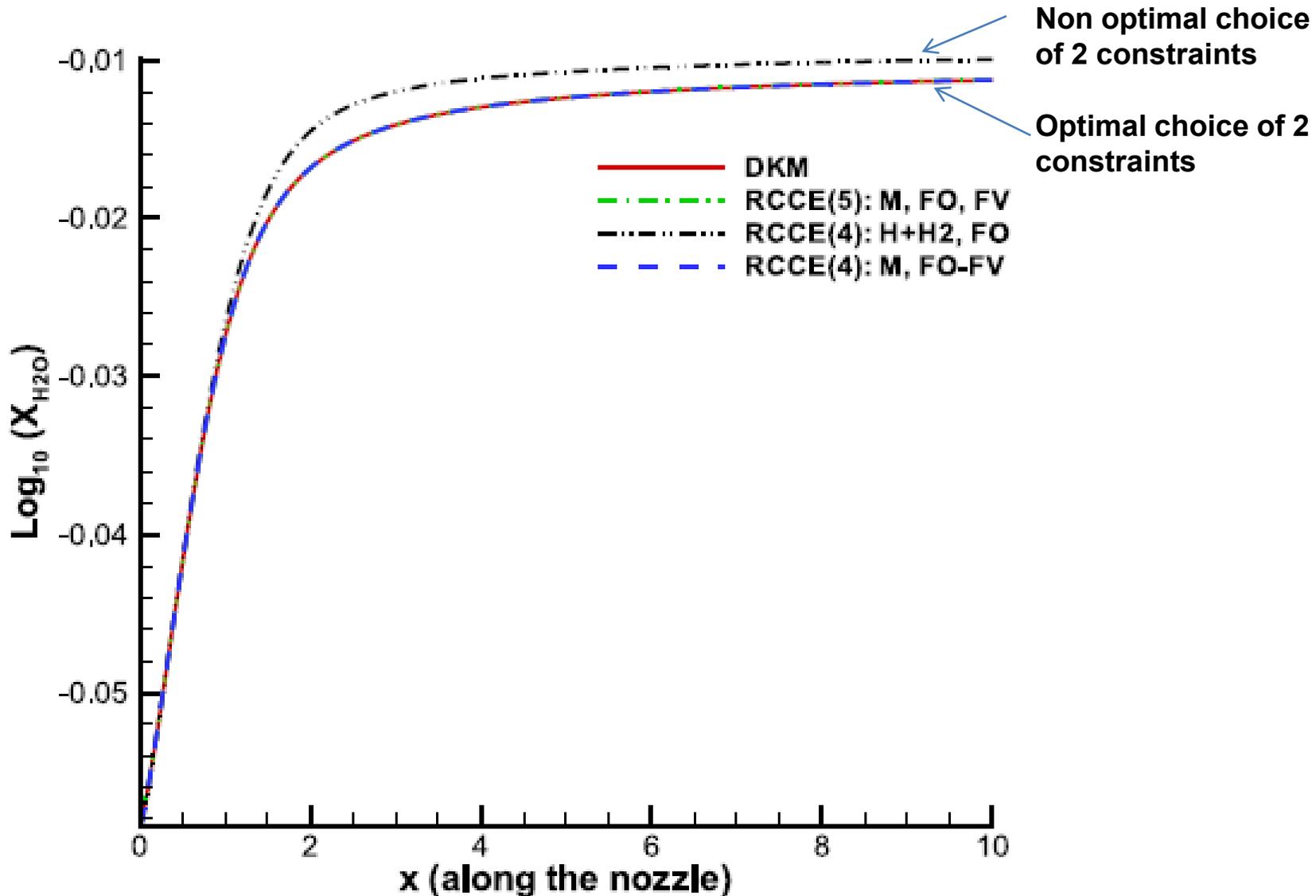
$$b_{i\ell}^{FO} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} a_{ij}^{FO} v_{j\ell}$$

|                    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | Typical constraints |    |    |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|---------------------|----|----|
| Species            |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | M                   | FV | FO |
| O                  |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 2  | 1  |
| O2                 |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 0  | 0  |
| H                  |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 1  | 0  |
| H2                 |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 0  | 0  |
| OH                 |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 1  | 1  |
| H2O                |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 0  | 1  |
| HO2                |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 1  | 0  |
| H2O2               |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      | 1                   | 0  | 0  |
|                    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| Reaction           | O  | O2 | H  | H2 | OH | H2O | HO2 | H2O2 |                     |    |    |
| 11 O+H2=H+OH       | -1 | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
| 13 O+H2O2=OH+HO2   | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | 1   | -1   | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
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| 20 OH+H2=H+H2O     | 0  | 0  | 1  | -1 | -1 | 1   | 0   | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 0  |
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|                    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| 7 H+O2+M=HO2+M     | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
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| 9 H+O2+H2O=HO2+H2O | 0  | -1 | -1 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | 0    | -1                  | 0  | 0  |
| 10 OH+OH+M=H2O2+M  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | -2 | 0   | 0   | 1    | -1                  | -2 | -2 |
|                    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| 12 O+HO2=OH+O2     | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 15 H+HO2=O+H2O     | 1  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 0  | 1   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
| 16 H+HO2=O2+H2     | 0  | 1  | -1 | 1  | 0  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | -2 | 0  |
| 17 H+HO2=OH+OH     | 0  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 2  | 0   | -1  | 0    | 0                   | 0  | 2  |
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|                    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |      |                     |    |    |
| 1 O+O+M=O2+M       | -2 | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -4 | -2 |
| 2 O+H+M=OH+M       | -1 | 0  | -1 | 0  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | -1                  | -2 | 0  |
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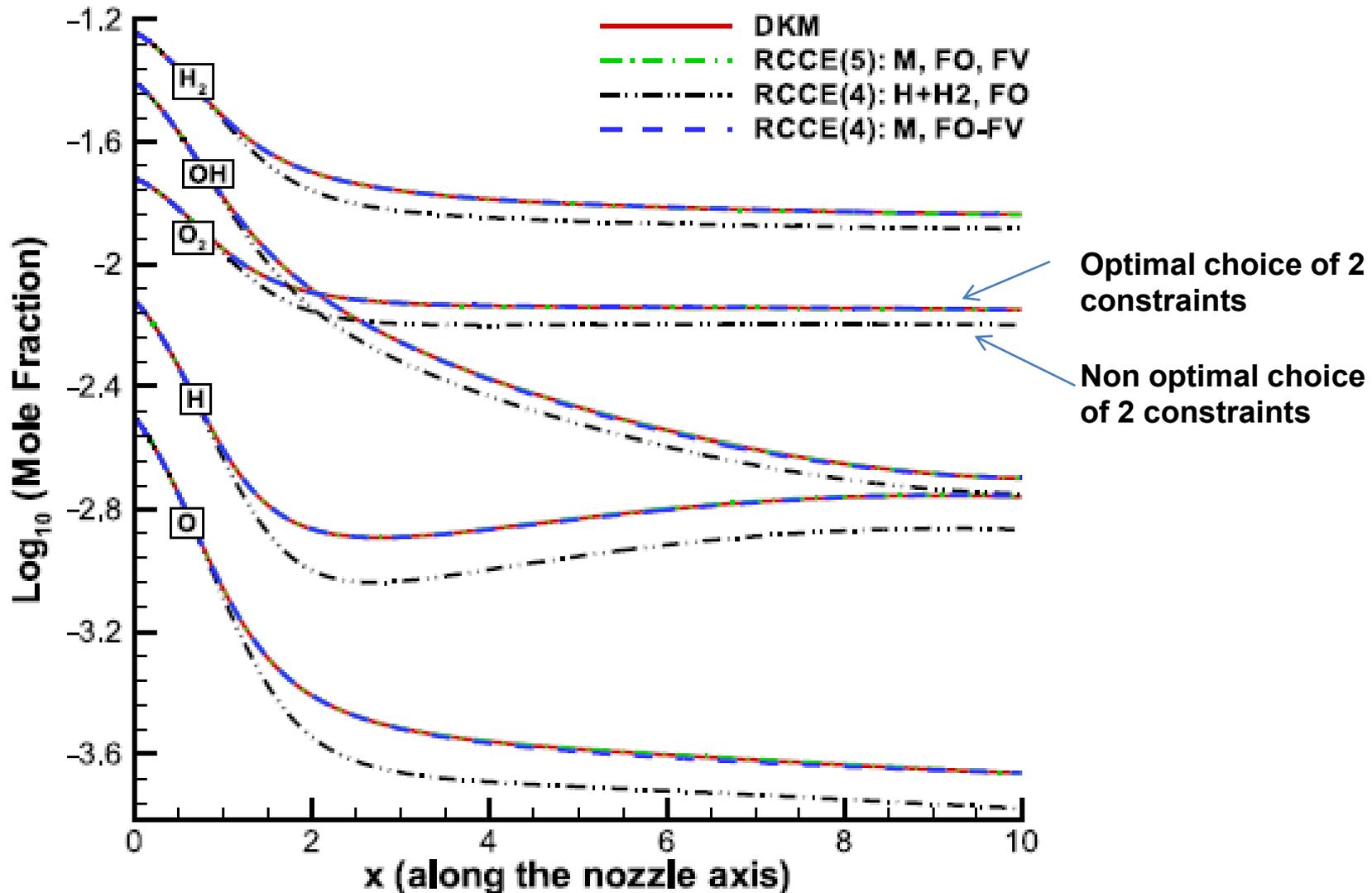
$a_i^{FO}$



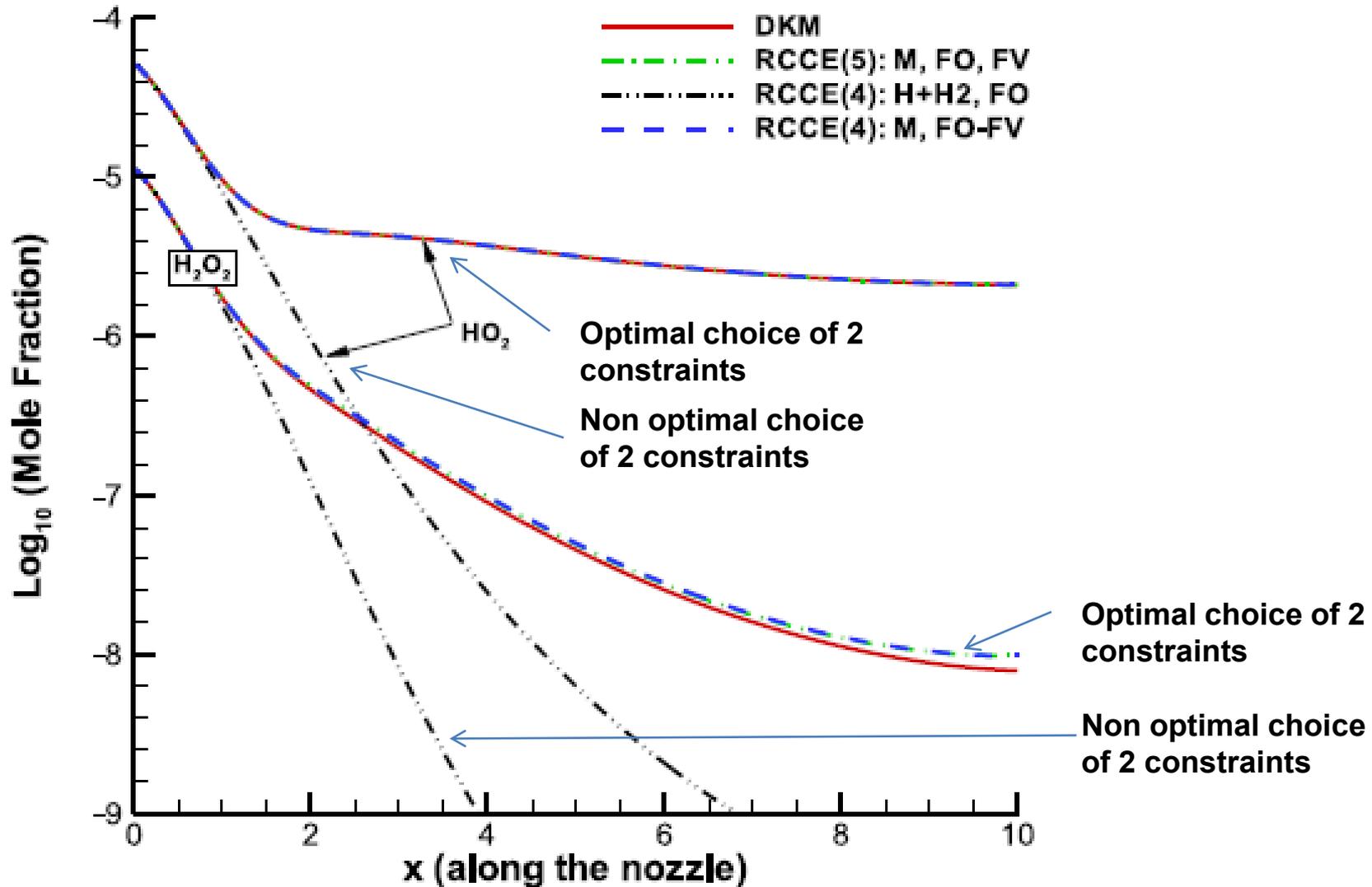
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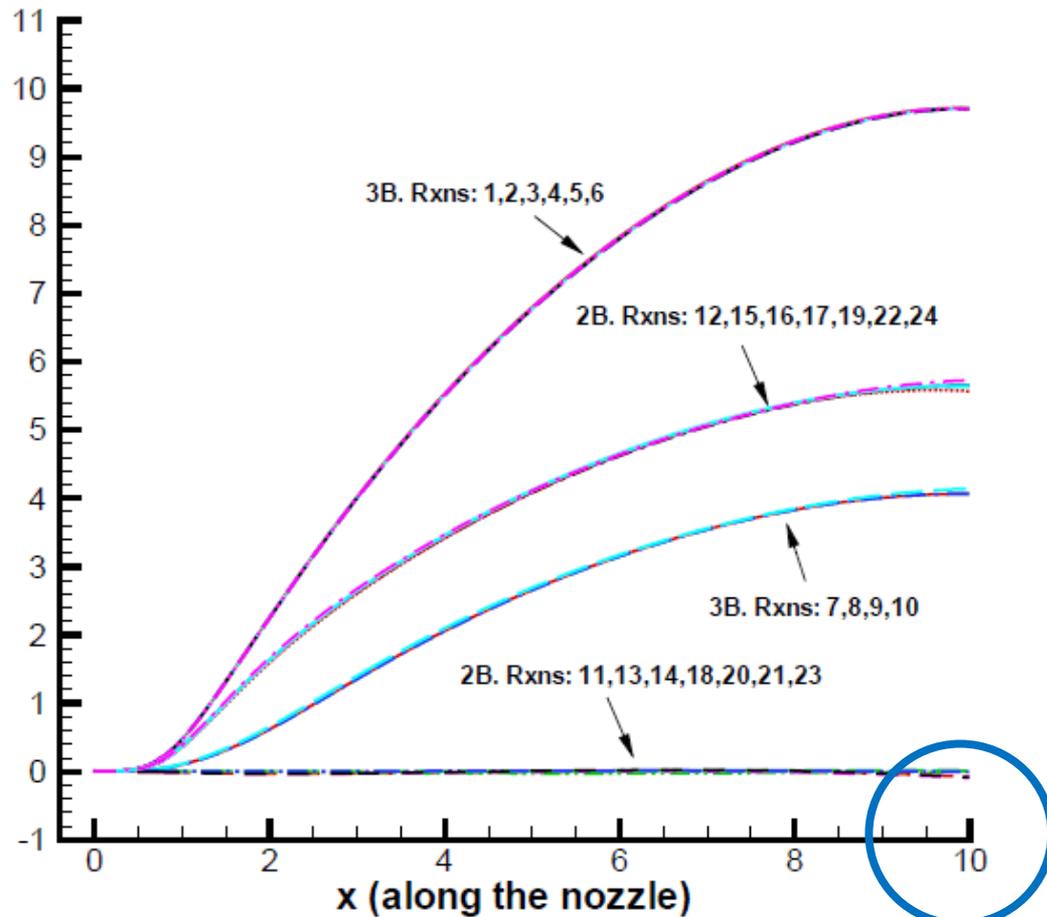
# How to identify the 'right' constraints?

Our method: run a probe DKM  
and analyse the DoD traces

In simple cases  
relatively  
simple  
inspection is  
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But how do we  
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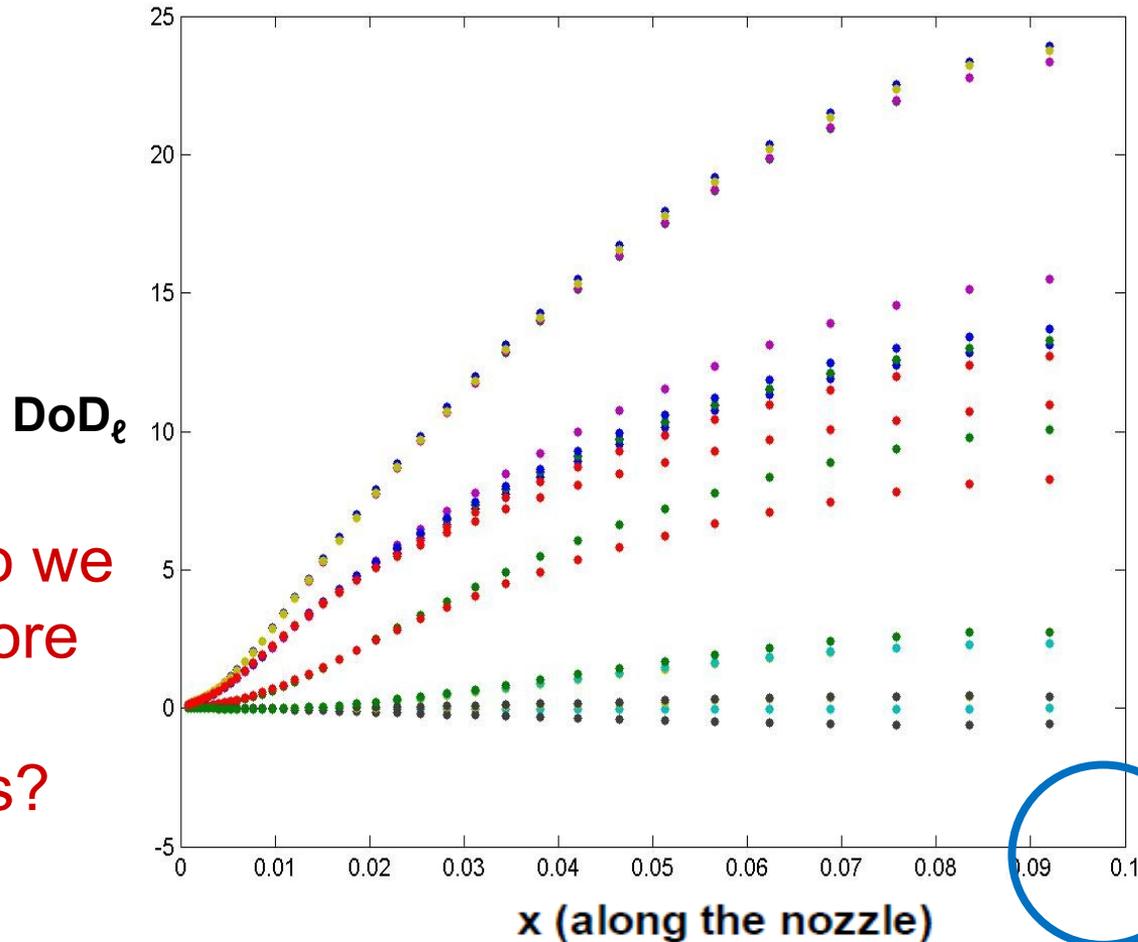
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DoD( $\ell; x_p$ )  
here with  
 $\ell = 1 \div 24$   
 $x_p = 1 \div 1700$

only  $r = n_{sp} - n_{el} = 8 - 2 = 6$   
of these traces are independent

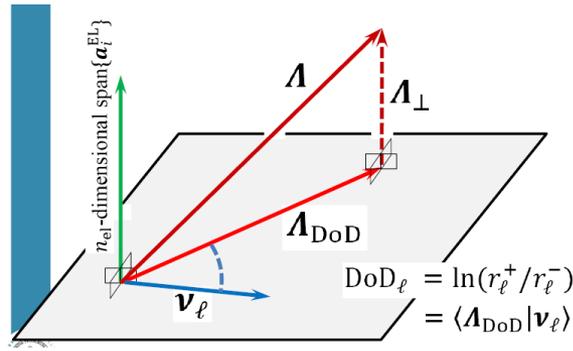


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# ASVDADD method: Step 1: Run a probe DKM, get the DoD's and from them the $\Lambda_{\text{DoD}}$ traces

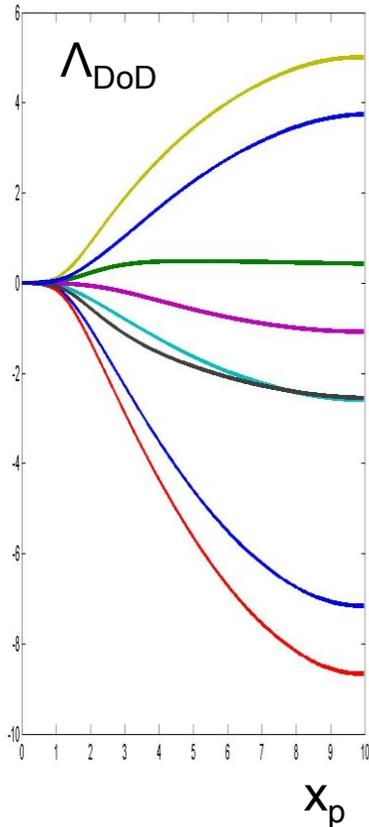
$$\text{DoD}_e = \phi_\ell = \ln(r_\ell^+ / r_\ell^-) = \langle \Lambda_{\text{DoD}} | \mathbf{v}_\ell \rangle$$



$$\Lambda_{\text{DoD}}(x_p)$$

1700 columns (grid points)

$x_p \rightarrow$



8 rows

|        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |        |     |         |     |         |     |         |
|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|--------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|
| 0.000  | ... | 0.001  | ... | 0.001  | ... | 0.002  | ... | 0.004  | ... | 0.005  | ... | 0.008  | ... | 0.010  | ... | 0.014  | ... | 0.018  | ... | 0.024  | ... | 0.032  | ... | 0.042  | ... | 0.055   | ... | 0.071   | ... | 0.092   |
| -0.004 | ... | -0.054 | ... | -0.106 | ... | -0.179 | ... | -0.302 | ... | -0.517 | ... | -0.875 | ... | -1.422 | ... | -2.191 | ... | -3.198 | ... | -4.428 | ... | -5.846 | ... | -7.405 | ... | -9.029  | ... | -10.560 | ... | -11.592 |
| 0.001  | ... | 0.015  | ... | 0.030  | ... | 0.049  | ... | 0.082  | ... | 0.137  | ... | 0.222  | ... | 0.330  | ... | 0.435  | ... | 0.508  | ... | 0.549  | ... | 0.579  | ... | 0.618  | ... | 0.671   | ... | 0.725   | ... | 0.734   |
| -0.004 | ... | -0.071 | ... | -0.140 | ... | -0.235 | ... | -0.395 | ... | -0.671 | ... | -1.124 | ... | -1.804 | ... | -2.738 | ... | -3.927 | ... | -5.357 | ... | -6.993 | ... | -8.783 | ... | -10.640 | ... | -12.388 | ... | -13.592 |
| -0.001 | ... | -0.019 | ... | -0.037 | ... | -0.063 | ... | -0.105 | ... | -0.178 | ... | -0.297 | ... | -0.479 | ... | -0.735 | ... | -1.069 | ... | -1.476 | ... | -1.942 | ... | -2.449 | ... | -2.977  | ... | -3.477  | ... | -3.832  |
| 0.000  | ... | -0.002 | ... | -0.003 | ... | -0.005 | ... | -0.011 | ... | -0.022 | ... | -0.046 | ... | -0.096 | ... | -0.192 | ... | -0.350 | ... | -0.569 | ... | -0.830 | ... | -1.115 | ... | -1.409  | ... | -1.681  | ... | -1.833  |
| 0.003  | ... | 0.051  | ... | 0.101  | ... | 0.168  | ... | 0.281  | ... | 0.474  | ... | 0.785  | ... | 1.235  | ... | 1.820  | ... | 2.524  | ... | 3.346  | ... | 4.293  | ... | 5.363  | ... | 6.512   | ... | 7.612   | ... | 8.334   |
| -0.002 | ... | -0.034 | ... | -0.067 | ... | -0.112 | ... | -0.185 | ... | -0.309 | ... | -0.503 | ... | -0.766 | ... | -1.065 | ... | -1.359 | ... | -1.633 | ... | -1.895 | ... | -2.149 | ... | -2.393  | ... | -2.618  | ... | -2.799  |
| 0.001  | ... | 0.021  | ... | 0.041  | ... | 0.070  | ... | 0.119  | ... | 0.205  | ... | 0.349  | ... | 0.577  | ... | 0.911  | ... | 1.363  | ... | 1.911  | ... | 2.508  | ... | 3.109  | ... | 3.685   | ... | 4.208   | ... | 4.610   |

the rank of this matrix is only

$$r = n_{sp} - n_{el} = 8 - 2 = 6$$

# ASVDADD method: Step 2: compute the Singular Value Decomposition of the $\Lambda_{\text{DoD}}(x_p)$ matrix

Given the 8 x 1700 matrix

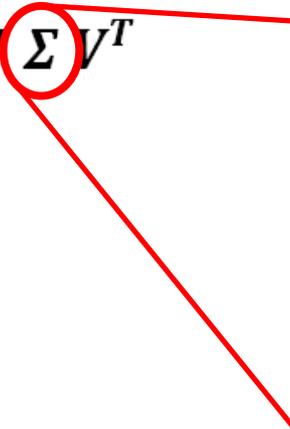
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$$D = U \Sigma V^T$$

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|        |        |        |        |        |        |   |   |   |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---|---|---|
| 269.32 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 8.8739 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 1.7137 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0.2505 | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0.0458 | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0.0324 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0 |



# ASVDADD method: Step 3: choose a low-rank approximation of the $\Lambda_{\text{DoD}}(x_p)$ matrix

Given matrix  
 $D = \Lambda_{\text{DoD}}(x_p)$

## Two constraints approximation

### Eckart-Young theorem

Given the  $n_r \times P$  rectangular matrix  $\hat{D}$  of  $\text{rank}(\hat{D}) \leq r$

$$\hat{D} = U \hat{\Sigma} V^T$$

where

$$D = U \Sigma V^T$$

is the canonical SVD of  $D$ , and  $\hat{D}$  is obtained by setting to zero its diagonal elements  $\hat{\Sigma}_{r+1:n_r}$

|        |        |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 269.32 | 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 8.8739 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| ...    | ...    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

|        |        |        |        |        |        |   |   |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---|---|
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| 0      | 8.8739 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 1.7137 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0.2505 | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0.0458 | 0      | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0.0324 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0 | 0 |

ASVDADD choice of RCCE constraints:  $a_{ij}^{\text{RC}} = U_{ji}$

# ASVDADD method: Step 3: choose a low-rank approximation of the $\Lambda_{\text{DoD}}(x_p)$ matrix

Given matrix

$$D = \Lambda_{\text{DoD}}(x_p)$$

One constraint approximation

**Eckart-Young theorem**

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|        |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 269.32 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| ...    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

|        |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |   |   |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| 269.32 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | <del>8.8739</del> | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | <del>1.7137</del> | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | <del>0.2505</del> | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | <del>0.0458</del> | 0                 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | <del>0.0324</del> | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 |

ASVDADD choice of RCCE constraints:  $a_{ij}^{\text{RC}} = U_{ji}$

# ASVDADD method: Step 4: pick the 'surviving' columns of the $U$ matrix as RCCE constraints

Given matrix

$$D = \Lambda_{\text{DoD}}(x_p)$$

**Eckart-Young theorem**

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where

$$D = U \Sigma V^T$$

is the canonical SVD of  $D$ , setting to zero its diagonal

**One constraint approximation**

|        |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 269.32 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | ... |
| ...    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

|        |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |   |   |   |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|---|
| 269.32 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | <del>8.8739</del> | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | <del>1.7137</del> | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | <del>0.2505</del> | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | <del>0.0458</del> | 0                 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | <del>0.0324</del> | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0      | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

ASVDADD choice of RCCE constraints:

$$a_{ij}^{\text{RC}} = U_{ji}$$

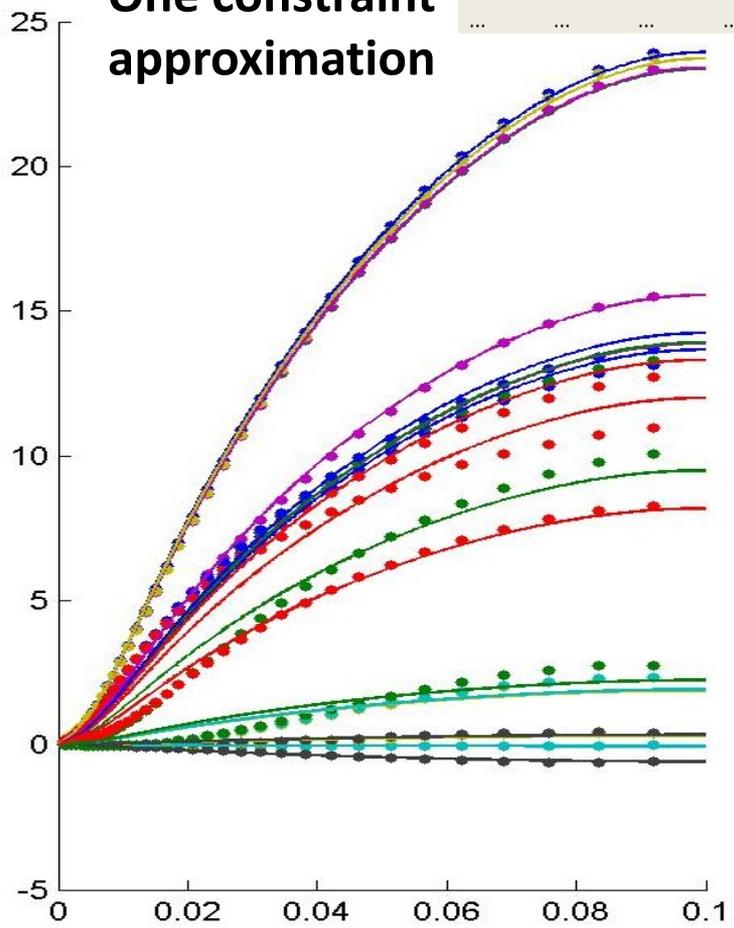
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the 'surviving'  
constraints

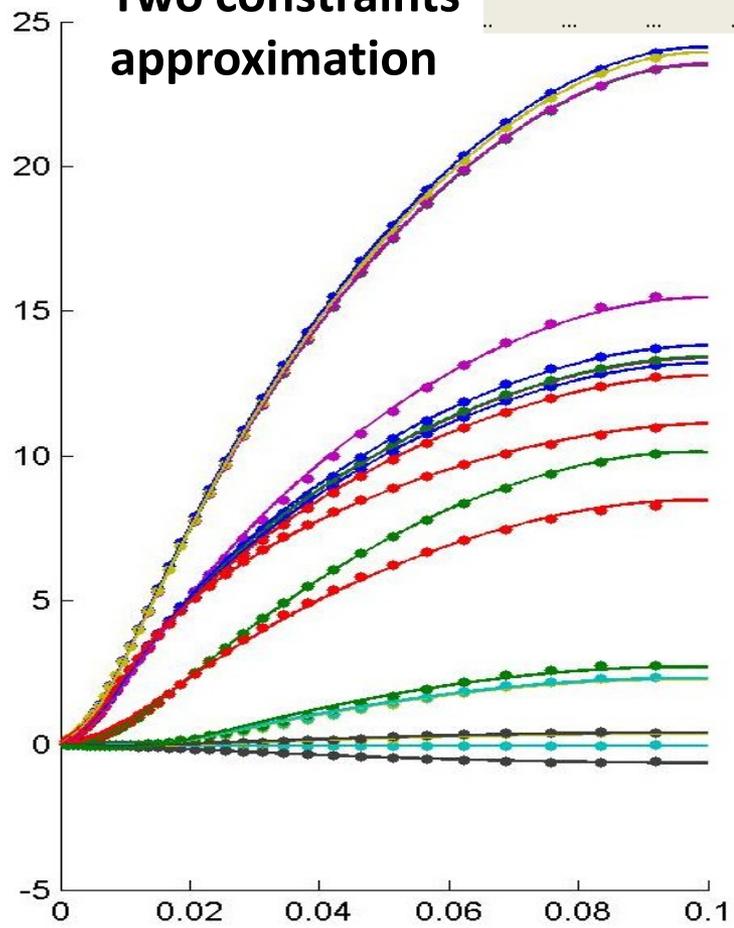
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**One constraint approximation**



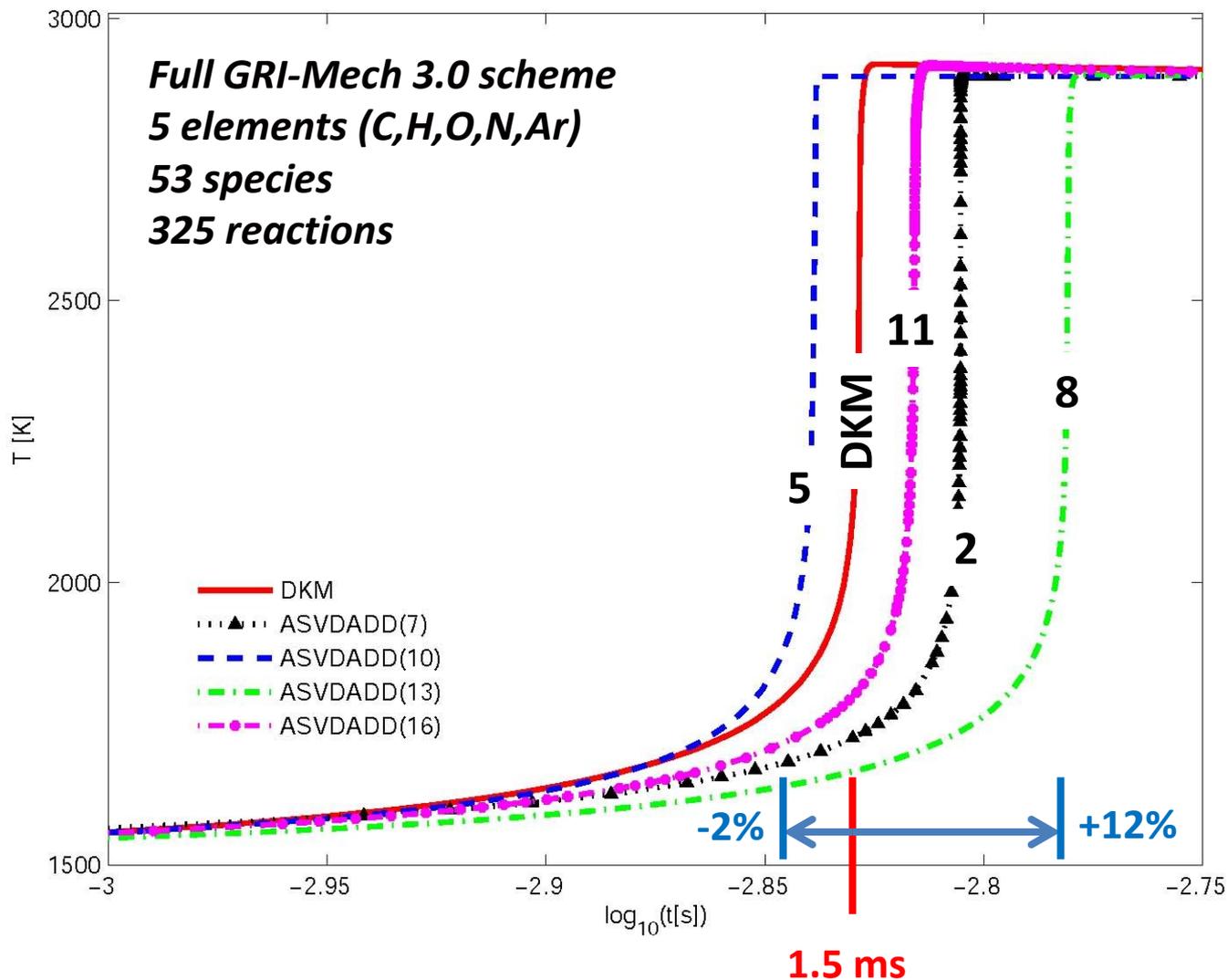
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**Two constraints approximation**



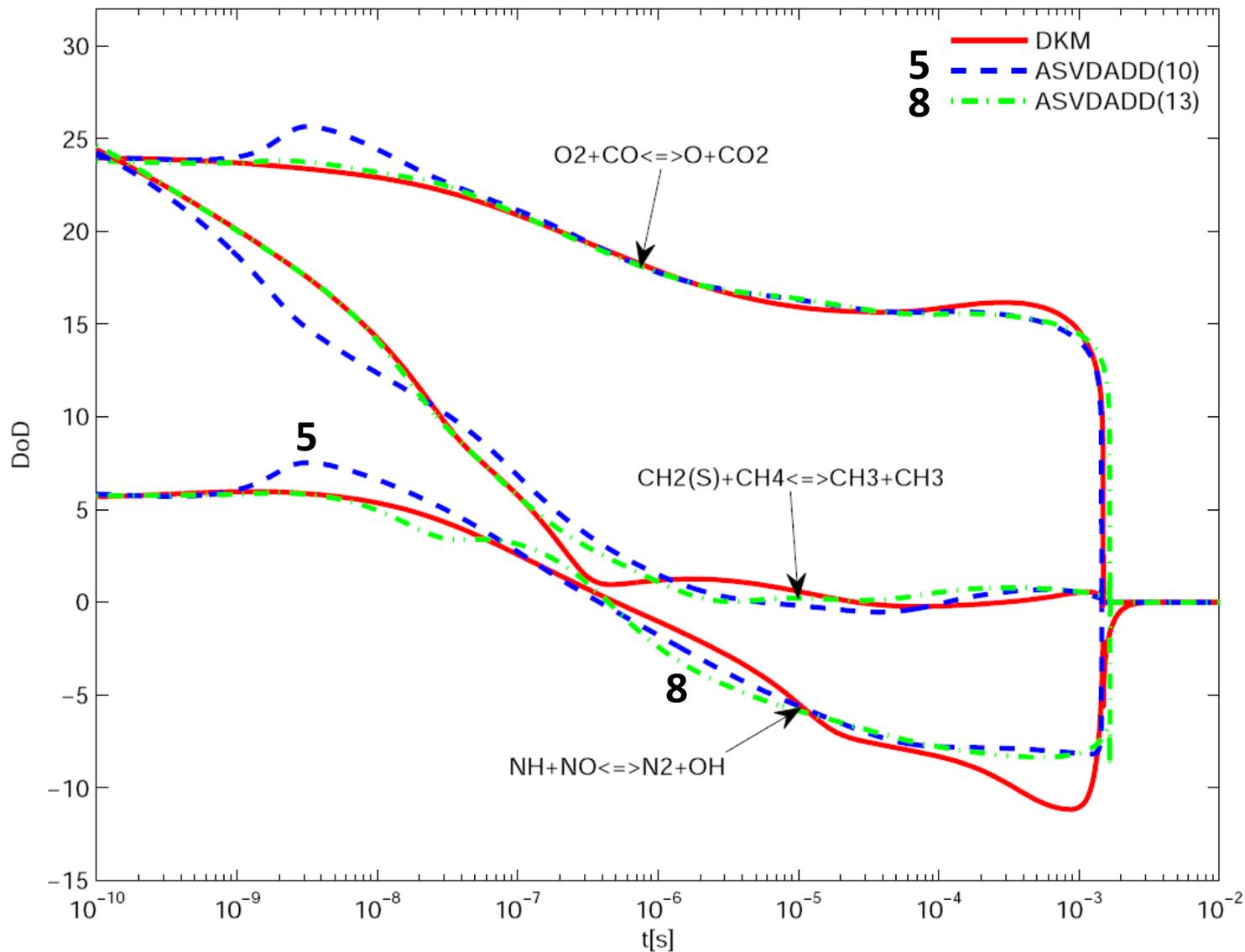
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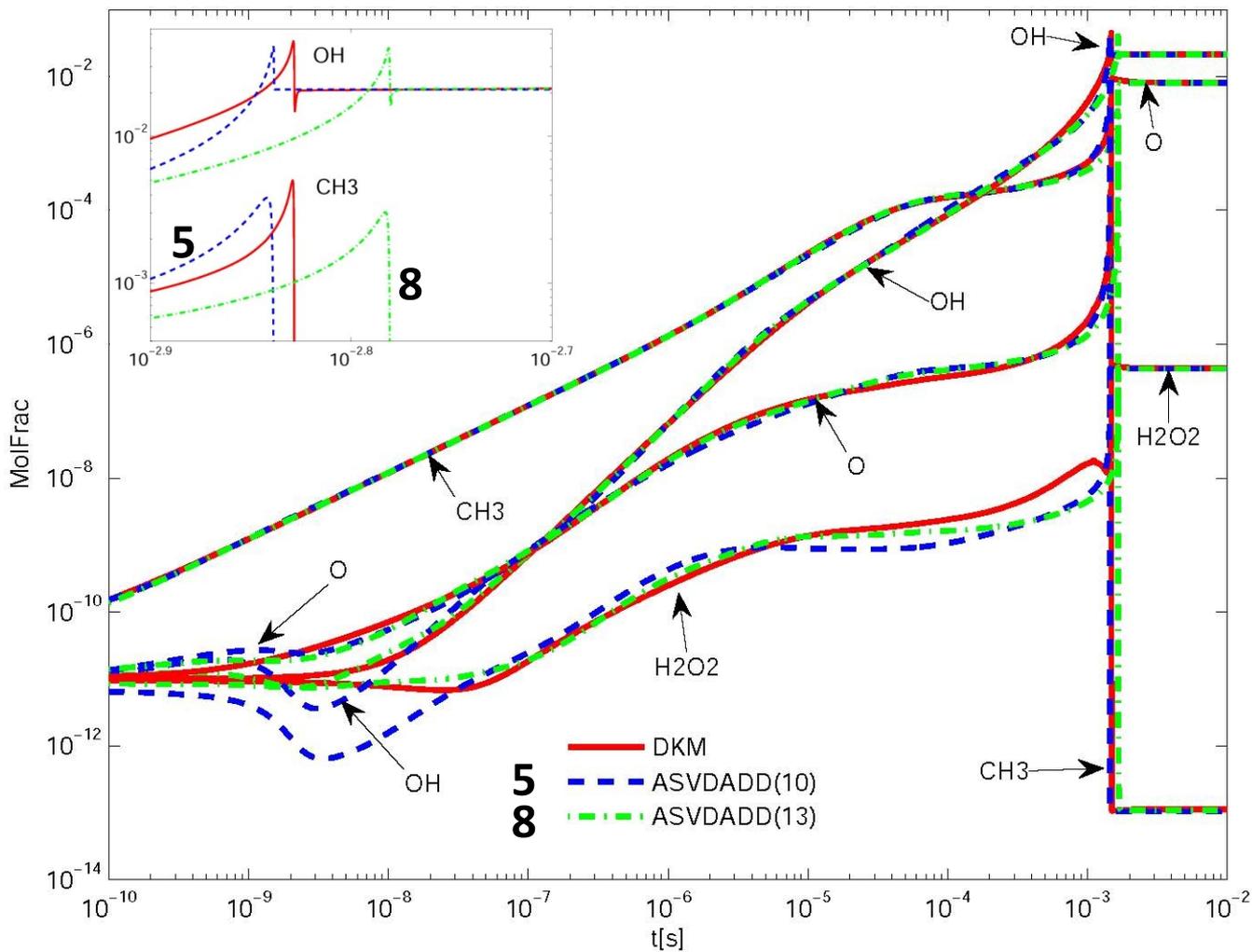
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# Conclusions and future work

With no need of any deep understanding of the kinetic mechanism, the ASVDADD algorithm finds optimal RCCE constraints from the analysis of a probe DKM solution.

Therefore, it should:

- be useful to develop tabular/in situ/adaptive strategies (such as alternating DKM / RCCE) for turbulent combustion simulations
- open up applicability of RCCE to other fields where complex kinetic models are needed (biochemistry, mechanobiology, economy)

FUTURE CHALLENGES:

- can the method suggest also a systematic scheme for skeletal mechanism reduction?
- translate/import the same model reduction strategy and variable selection strategy into the GENERIC / Steepert Entropy Ascent / Gradient Flow frameworks for non equilibrium thermodynamics

