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# Equation of state methods for the development of accurate physical models in support of Co-Optima



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# Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP)

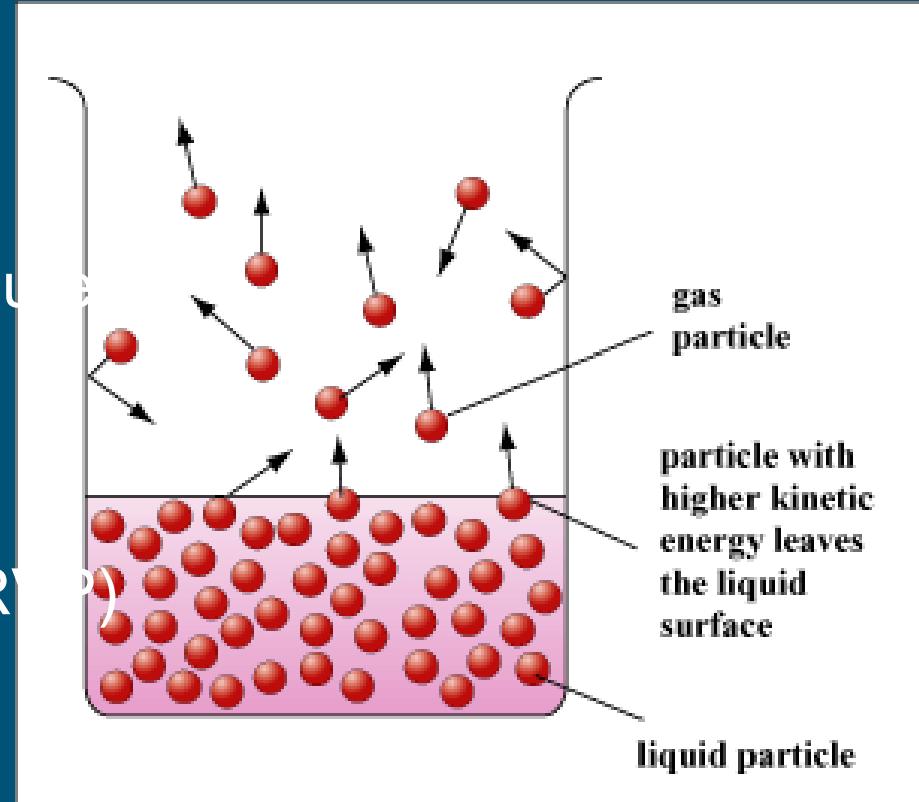


Vapor pressure: Force pushing against the atmosphere, between the boundary of liquid and gas

- Caused by molecular collisions
- Causes liquid molecules to 'escape' into the atmosphere
- In the petroleum industry, a special vapor pressure metric exists
- Vapor pressure is measured at 37.8°C (100°F)
- 1:4 liquid vapor fraction
- This metric is called the Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP)

Instead of regulating vapor pressure

- RVP is regulated
- Convenient, fixed T, conditions
- Managed by ASTM-D5482-07



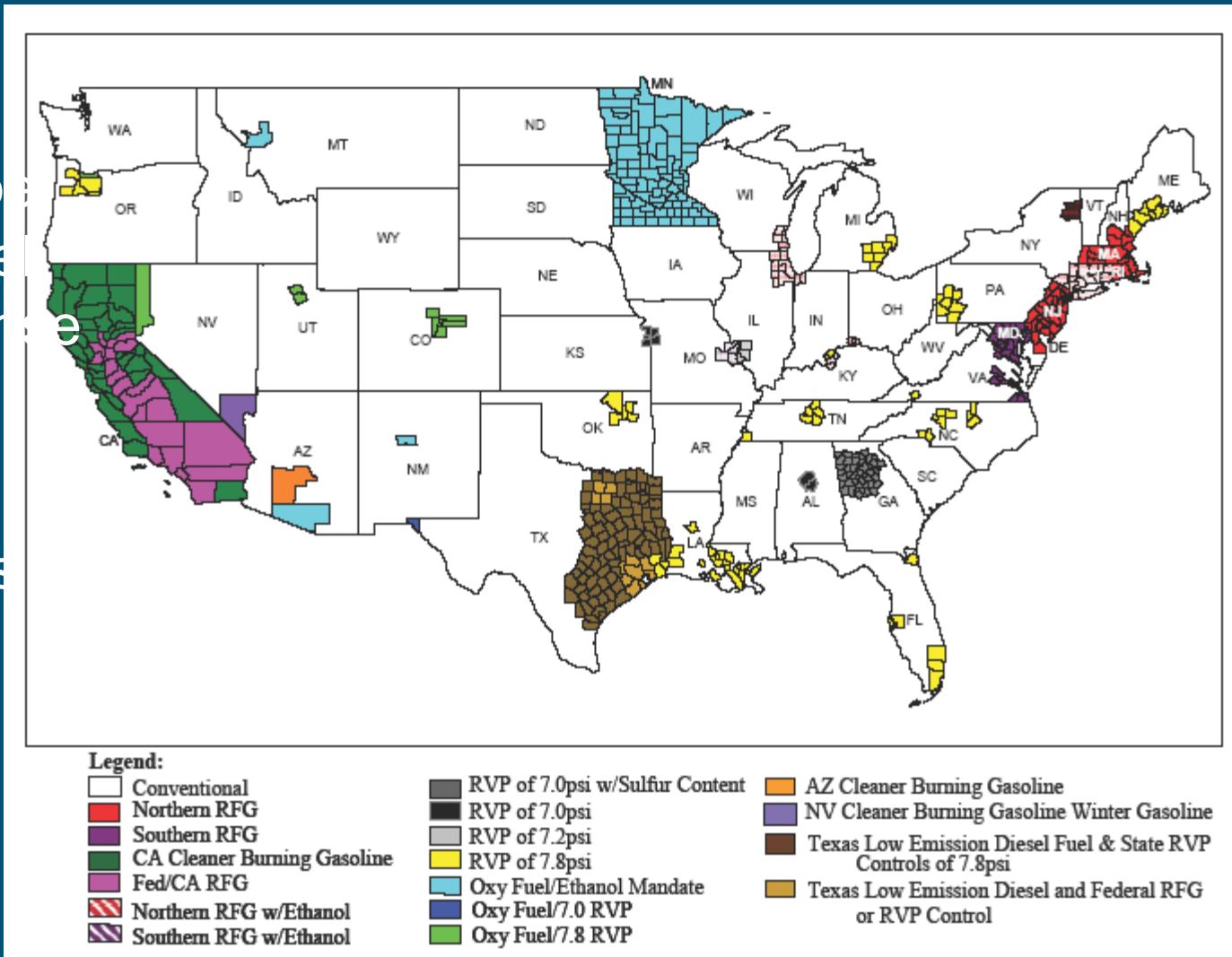
# RVP regulation



- By region, state, principality
  - Geography, altitude
- Places natural limitations on the type and quantity of each component in fuel
- Fuel composition changes in response to location, and season
- Those interactions lead to RVP

Higher RVP fuels => larger emissions

- Human health impacts
- ↑ GHG emissions



# Refinery applications



- Losses from seals, valves etc.
- Overtime, contribute to GHG emissions and can cost companies money
- ~ 0.17% of refinery hydrocarbon mass
- ~ \$3.1 million/year (based on \$40 barrel)



Image credit: U.S. Energy Information Administration  
<https://www.eia.gov/state/maps.php>

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## \$165K Settlement Reached With Shell Oil Over Refinery Violations in 2015, 2016

By Bay City News  
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Black smoke and excessive flaring was seen from the Shell Refinery in Martinez. (Dec. 19, 2016)

The Shell Oil Company has agreed to pay \$165,000 as part of an agreement with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District regarding air quality violations at their refinery in Martinez in 2015 and 2016, according to air district officials.

The settlement, which the district announced today, addresses 16 violations over <https://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/165K-Settlement-Reached-With-Shell-Oil-Over-Refinery-Violations-in-2015-2016-507132361.html>

### TRENDING STORIES

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### WEATHER FORECAST

# Approach: theory

## SAFT- $\gamma$ -Mie Equation of State (EoS)

- Goal is to find  $A$  (Helmholtz free energy)

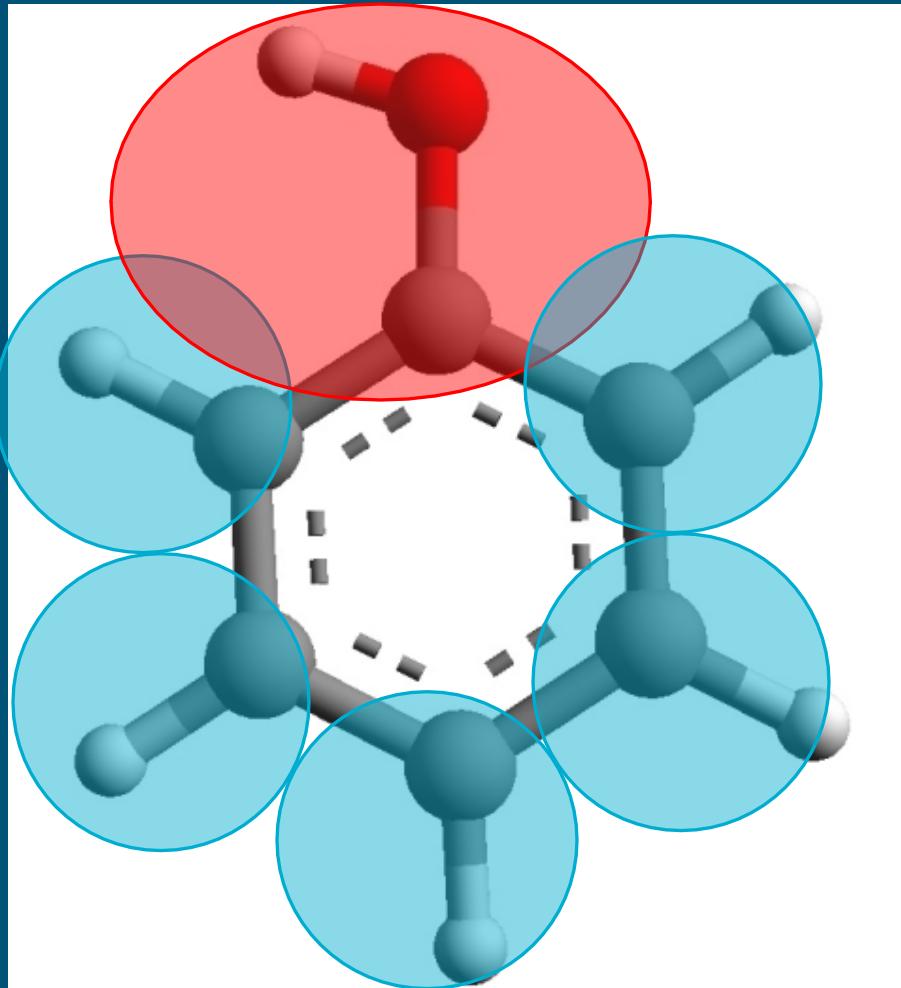
$$A = A^{ideal} + A^{mono} + A^{chain} + A^{assoc}$$

- $A^{ideal} \Rightarrow$  statistical mechanics
- All other terms are perturbations meant to improve qualitative nature of  $A^{ideal}$

### Mie function

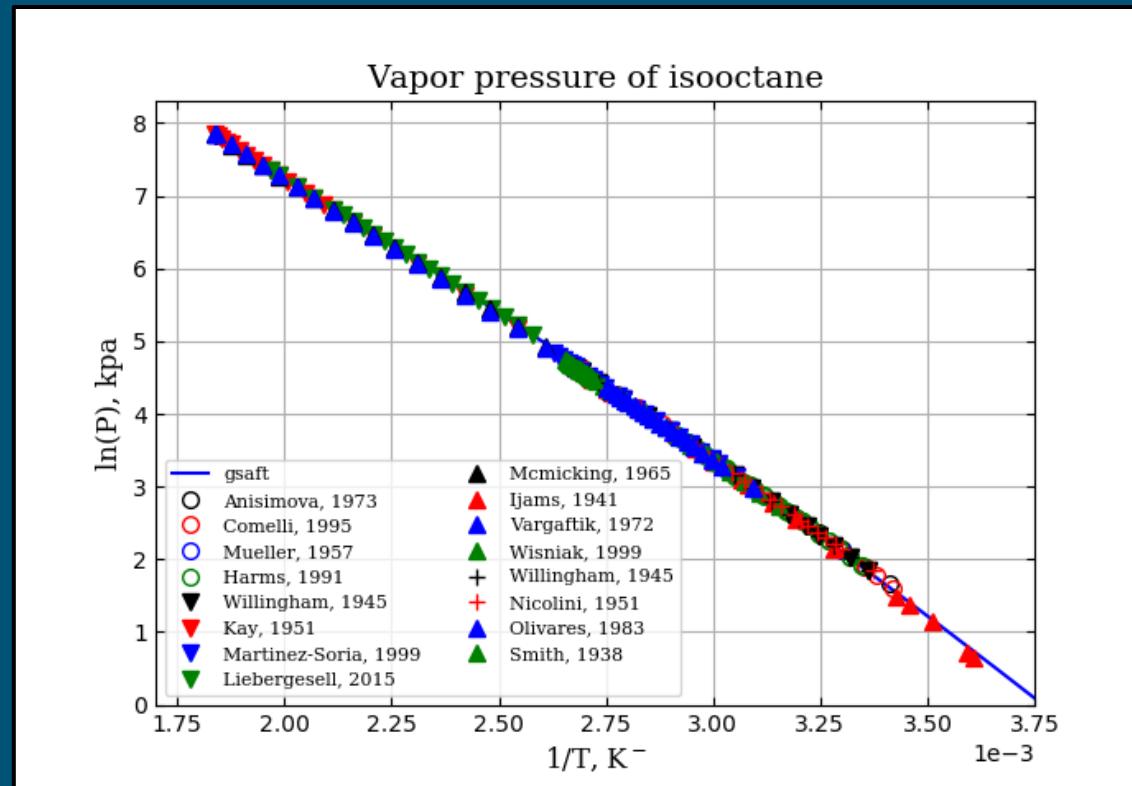
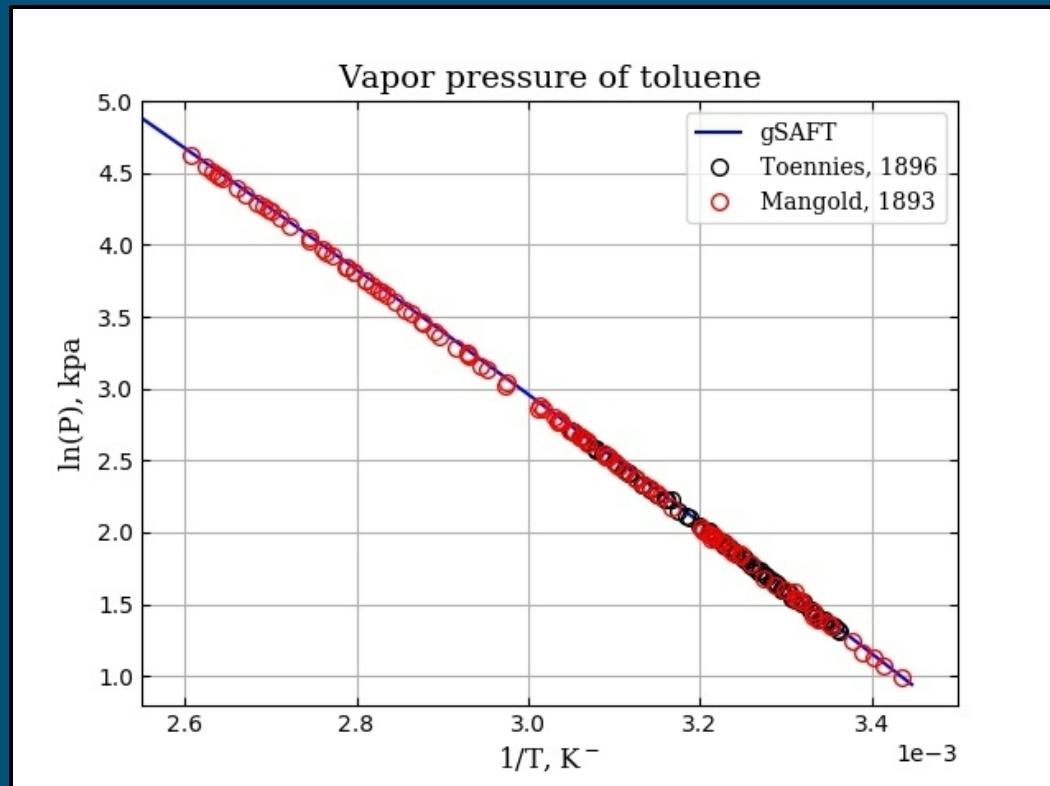
$$\Phi_{kk}^{Mie}(r_{kk}) = C_{kk} \varepsilon_{kk} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma_{kk}}{r_{kk}} \right)^{\lambda_{kk}^r} - \left( \frac{\sigma_{kk}}{r_{kk}} \right)^{\lambda_{kk}^a} \right]$$

Each group is described by a Mie function, and Mie functions interact with each other to model fluids accurately. Physical properties are obtained through partial differentiation of  $A$ .



An example of groups used to describe phenol

# Pure component vapor pressure



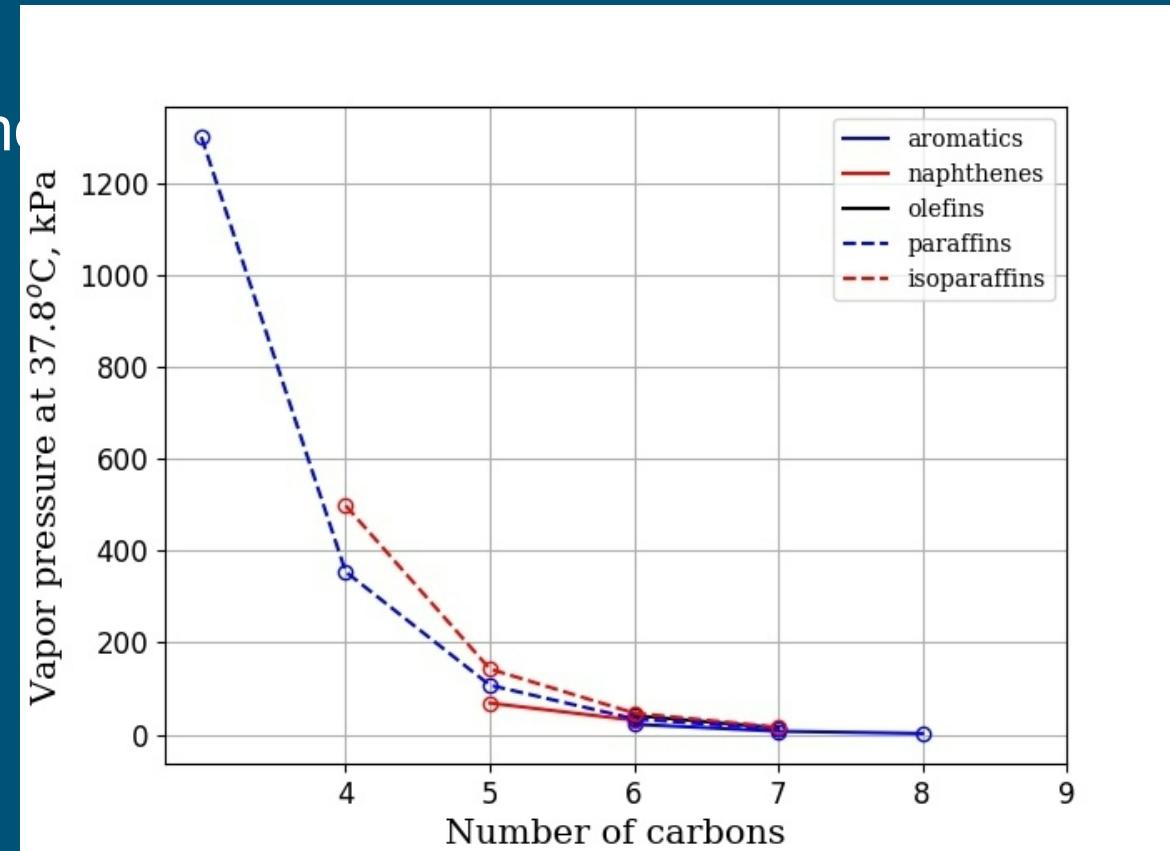
SAFT- $\gamma$ -Mie is capable of providing very accurate vapor pressure predictions with little computational effort

## Approach: models



If we include the most important molecules, our RVP predictions should be accurate

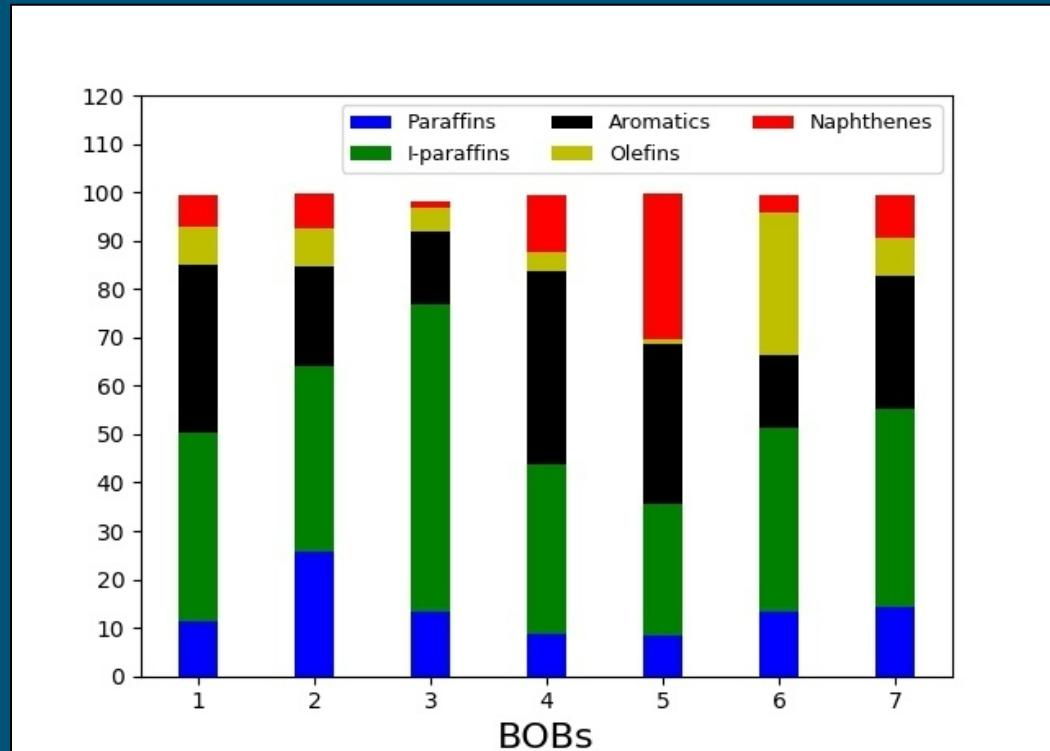
- 3 models (small, moderate, large)
- Small: includes all components  $\geq 1$  mol%
- Medium: includes all components  $\geq 0.5$  mol%
- Large: n-paraffins  $\Rightarrow 0.1$  mol%
  - Iso-paraffins  $\Rightarrow 0.1$  mol%
  - Aromatics  $\Rightarrow 1$  mol%
  - Naphthenes  $\Rightarrow 1$  mol%
  - Olefins  $\Rightarrow$  only one or two of the most important



# Approach: validation

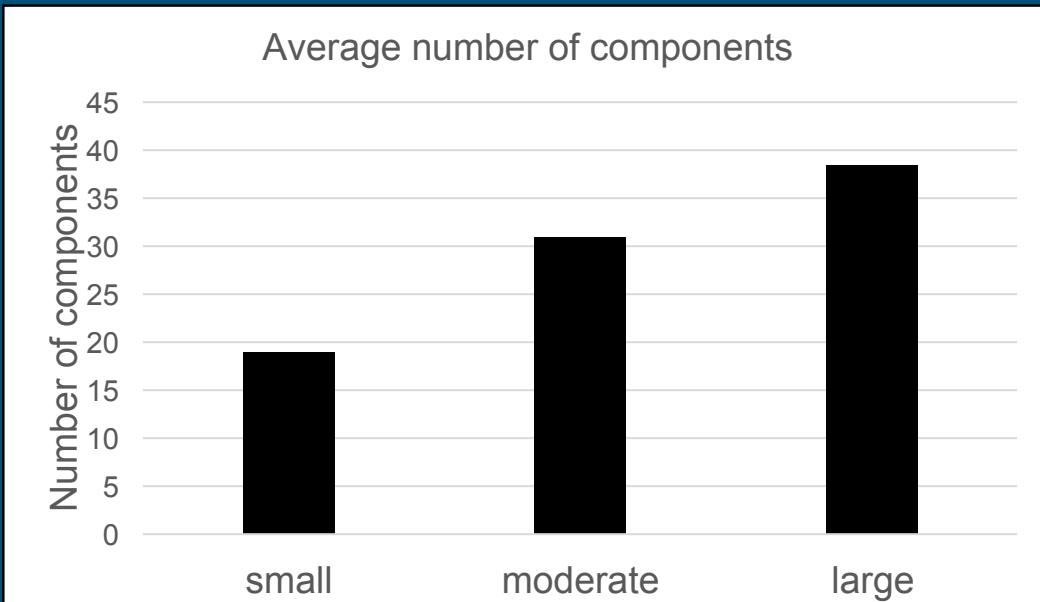


- 7 BOBs were used for validation.
- Each BOB has
  - Experimentally measured RVP
  - Detailed Hydroc. Analysis (DHA)

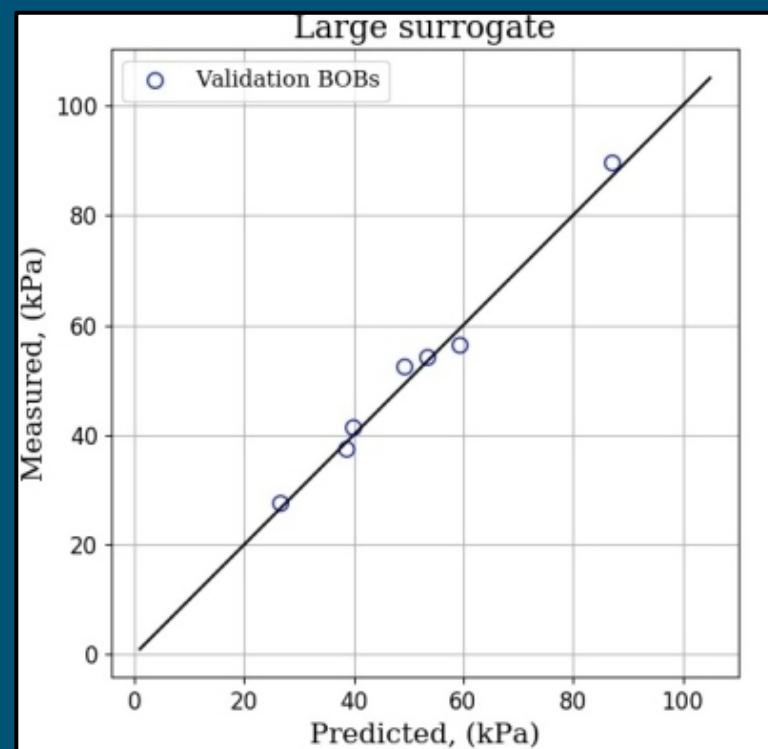
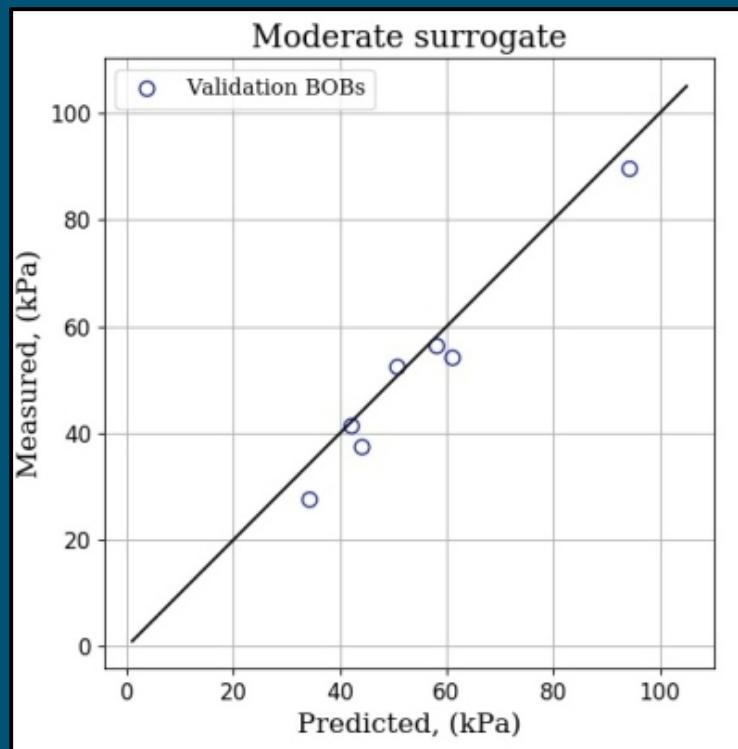
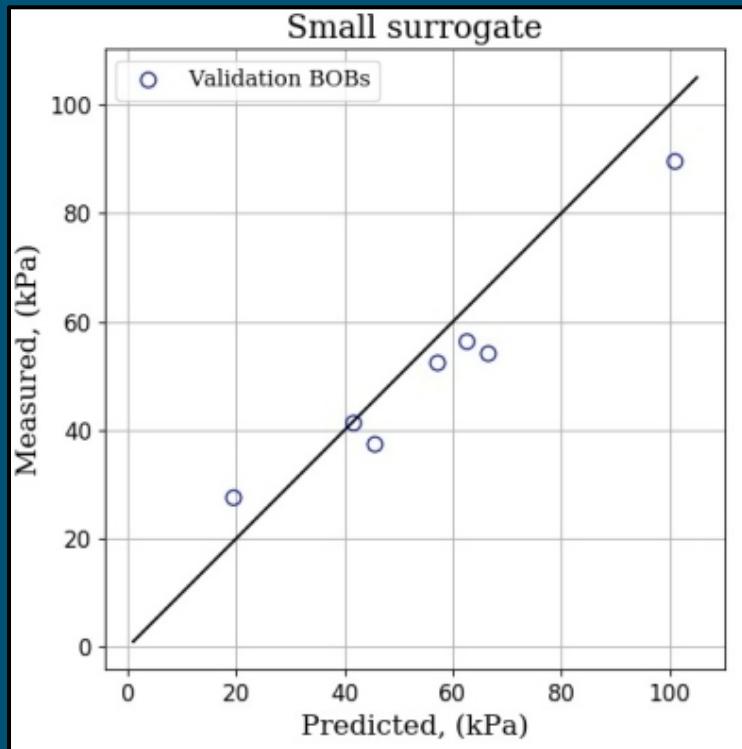


## Defining characteristics of the 7 BOBs

- Strong compositional changes
- n-paraffins range 8.4 to 25.8 mol%
- i-paraffins range 27.2 to 63.4 mol%
- Aromatics range 14.9 to 39.8 mol%
- Olefins range 0.9 to 29.7 mol%
- Naphthenes range 1.5 to 30 mol%
- RVP range 27.6 – 89.7 kPa



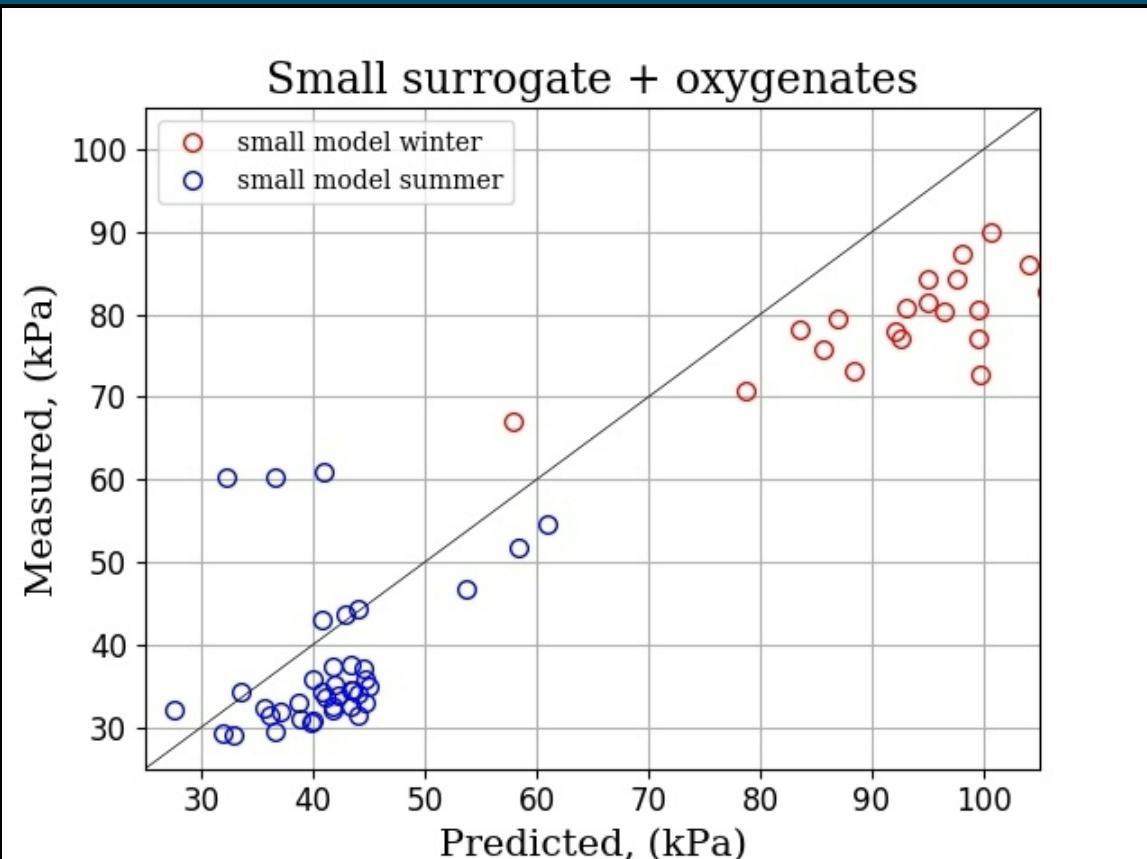
# Results: Non-oxygenates



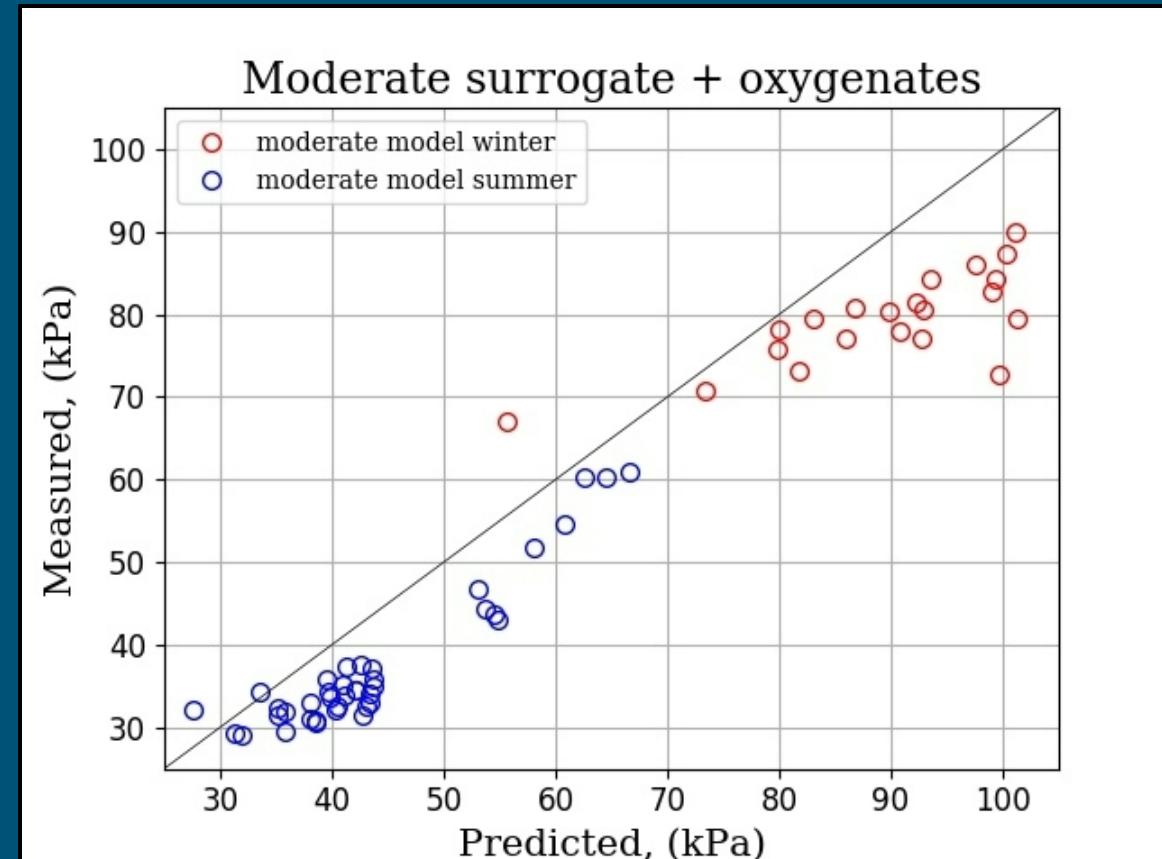
	<b>Small</b>	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>Large</b>	<b>Measured</b>
<b>BOB 1</b>	45.41	44.06	37.54	37.43
<b>BOB 2</b>	100.91	94.13	87.19	89.71
<b>BOB 3</b>	19.46	34.08	26.66	27.64
<b>BOB 4</b>	57.05	50.57	49.16	52.46
<b>BOB 5</b>	66.32	60.95	53.49	54.16
<b>BOB 6</b>	41.61	42.05	39.86	41.45
<b>BOB 7</b>	62.48	58.09	59.23	56.44
<b>%AAD</b>	15.09	9.49	3.28	

AD = 1.71 kPa  
 ASTM D5482-07 (14-100 kPa)  
 Repeatability = 2.69-4.14 kPa

# Results: Oxygenates



Summer %AAD = 19.72  
Winter %AAD = 15.50

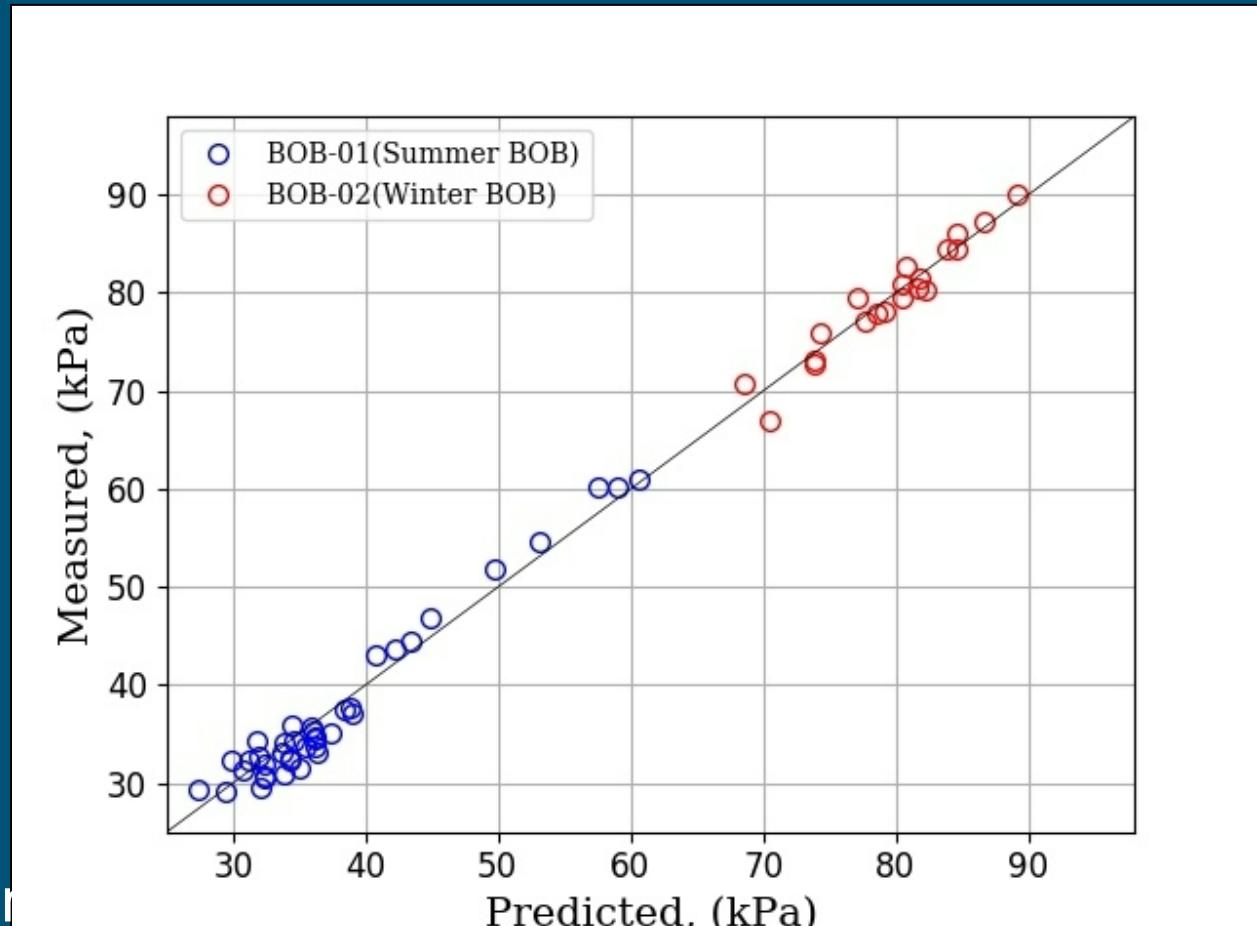


Summer %AAD = 14.90  
Winter %AAD = 12.16

# Results: Oxygenates: Cont.

Data includes (10, 20, 30% by vol)

- Alcohols
  - Methanol, ethanol, 1-butanol, 2-butanol, n-propanol, isobutanol, 2-methyl-1-butanol, 2-pentanol, 3-methyl-1-butanol
- Esters
  - Butyl acetate, methyl acetate, ethyl acetate, isopropyl acetate
- Ketones
  - Cyclopentanone, 2-pentanone, 2,4-dimethyl-3-pentanone
- Aromatics
  - Anisole

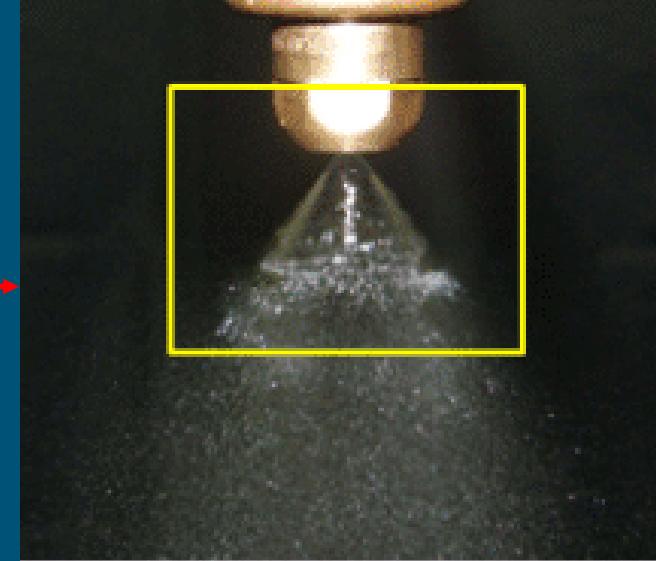
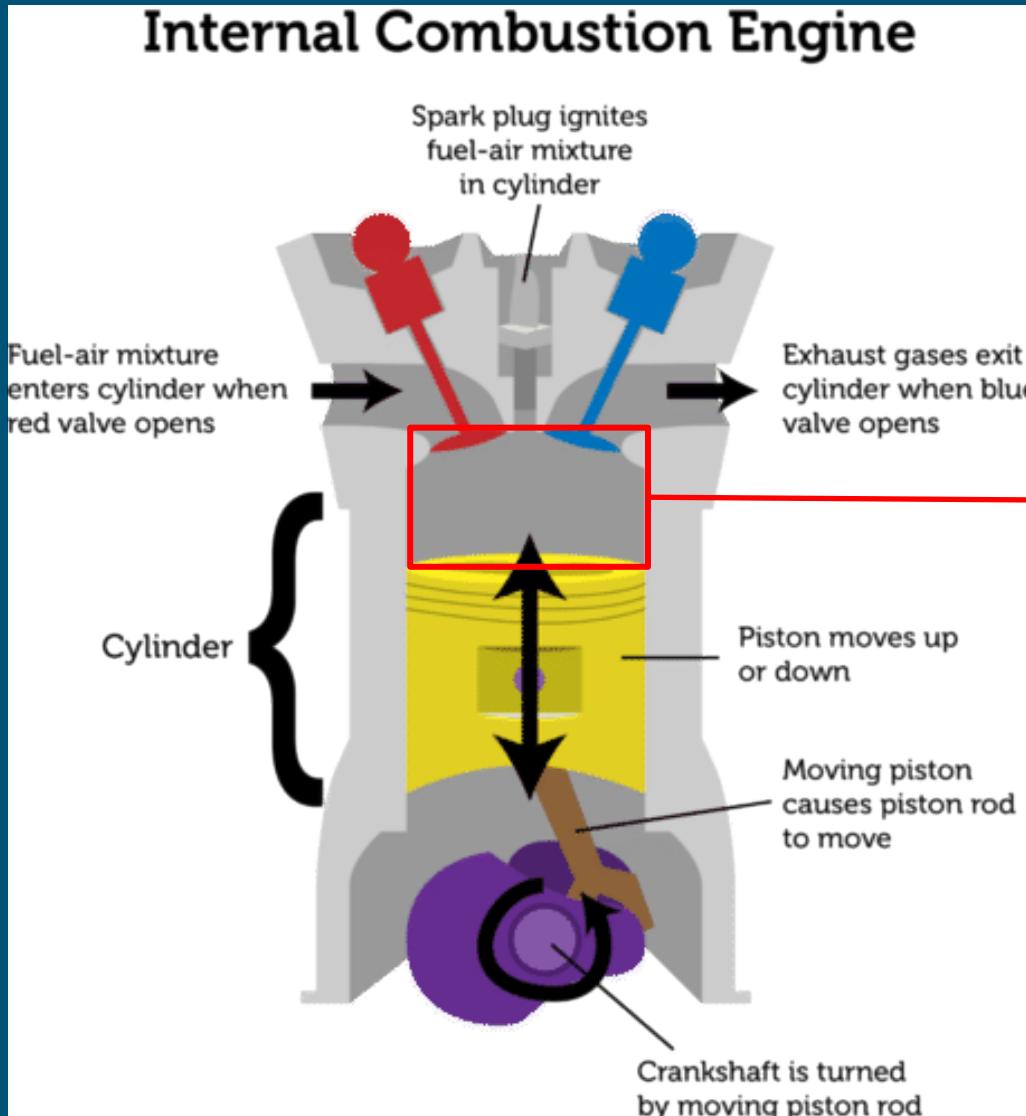


Summer %AAD = 4.40

Winter %AAD = 1.55

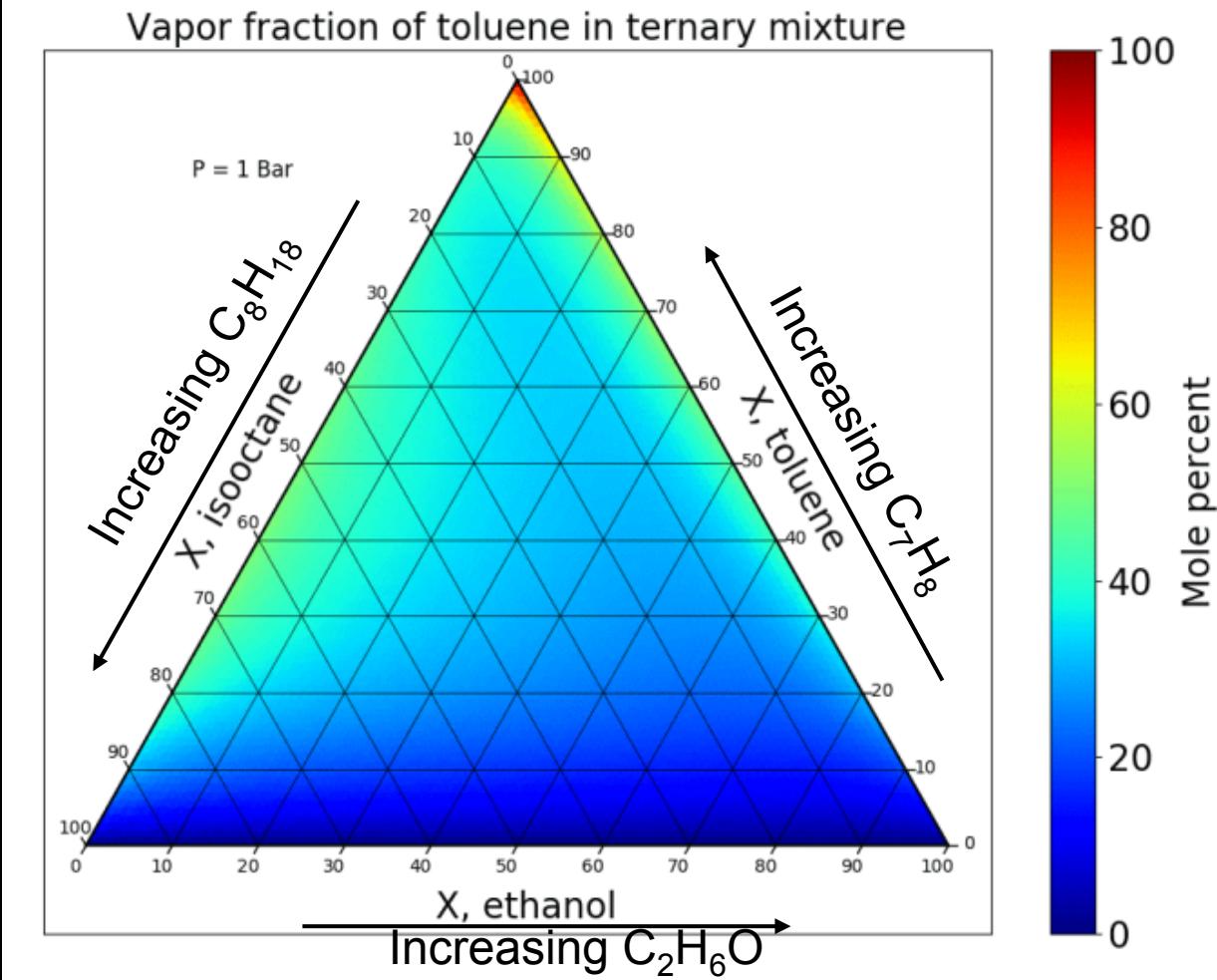
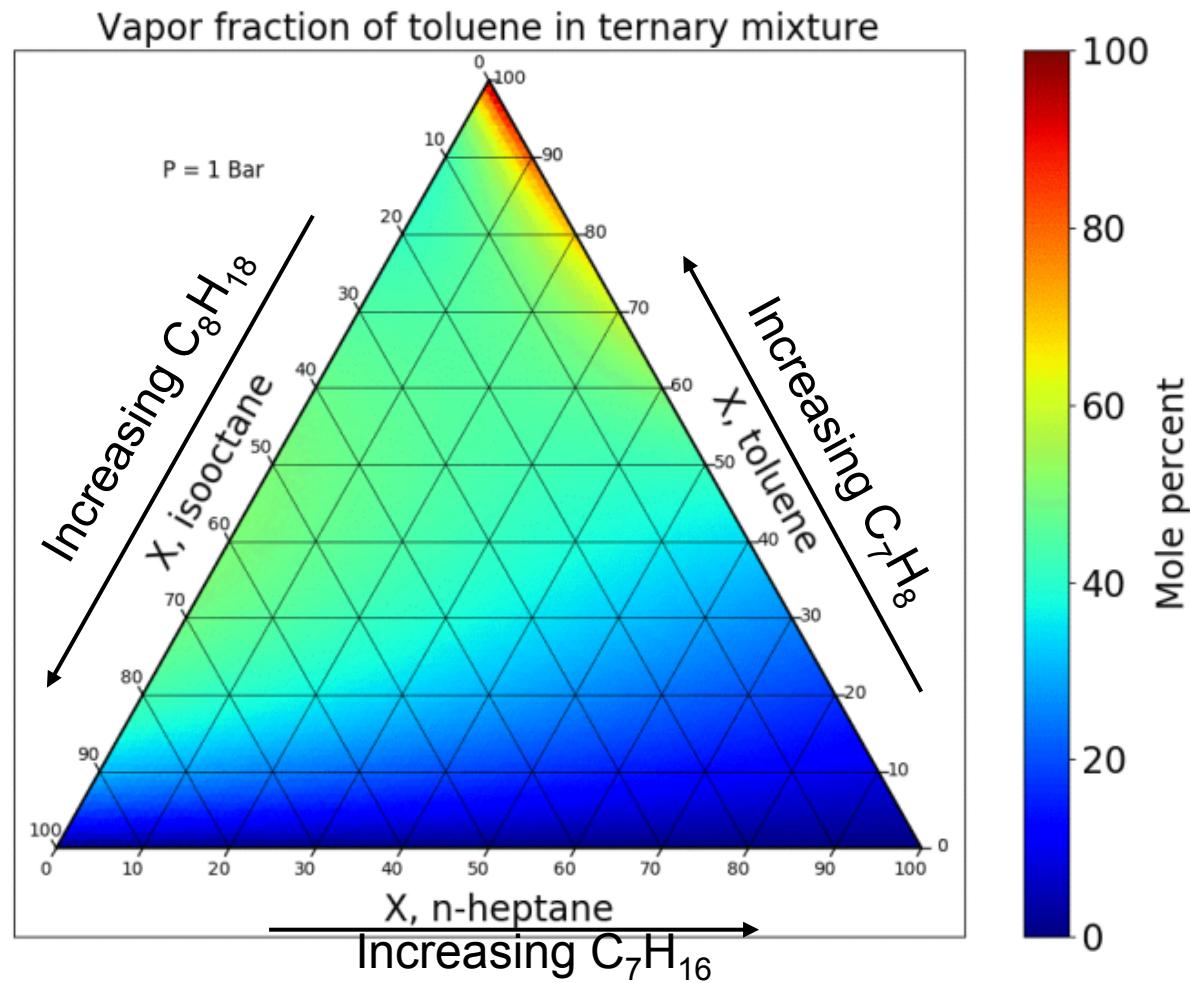
Overall AD = 1.45 kPa

# Differential evaporation (multimode engine)

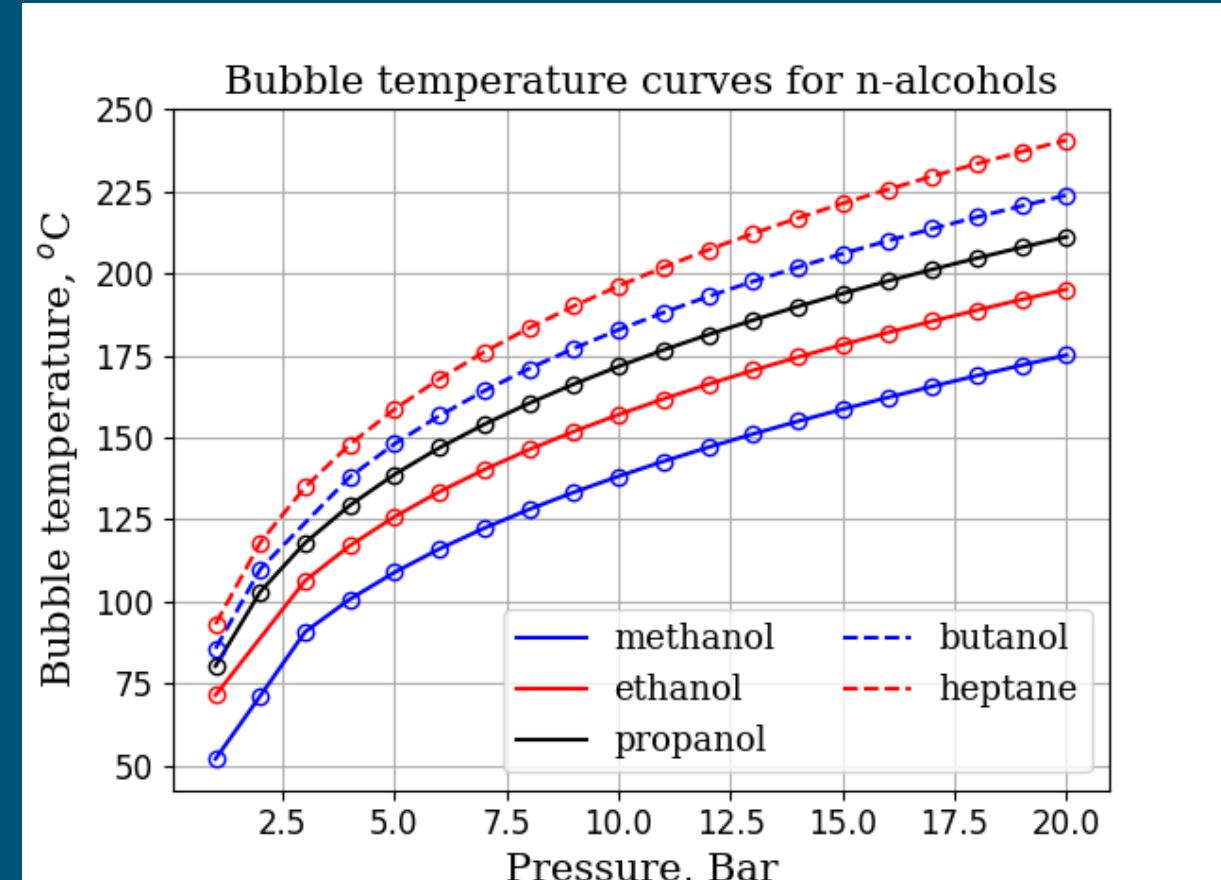
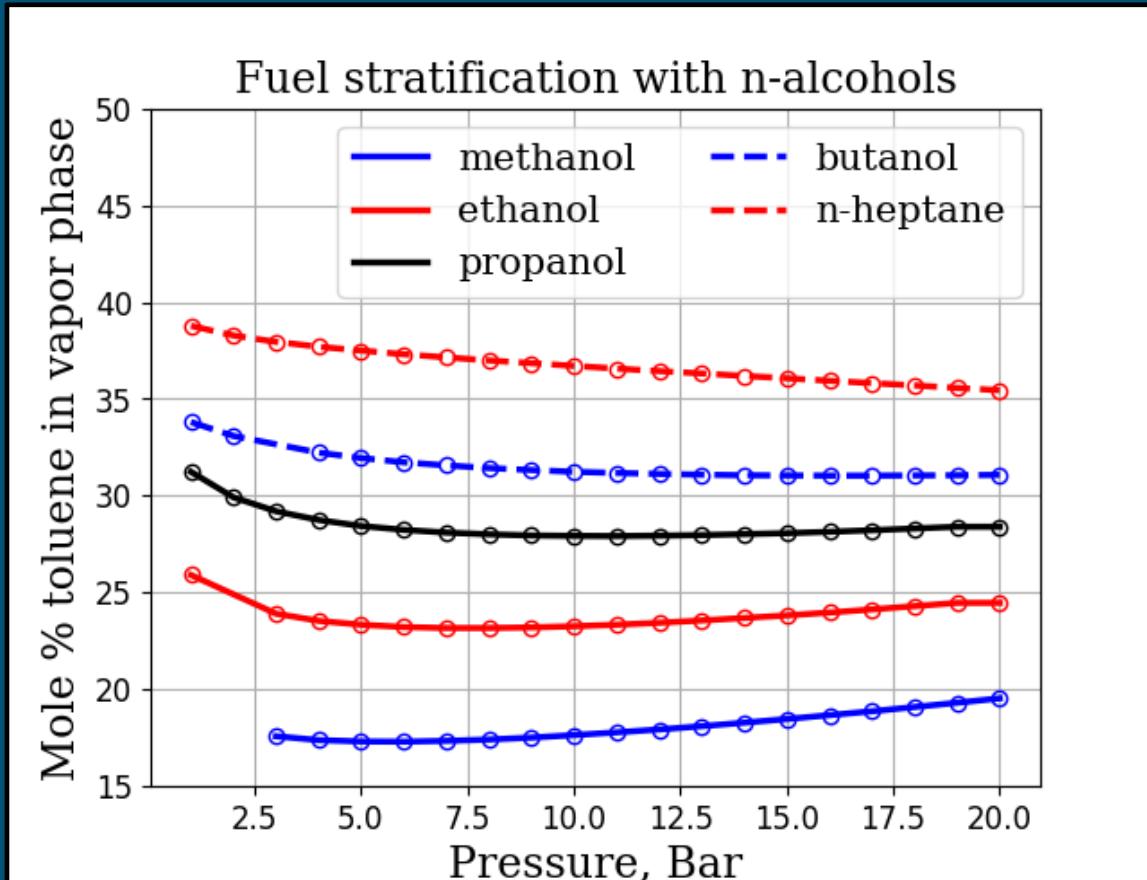


Vaporization characteristics greatly affect soot production !!!

# N-heptane, toluene, isooctane vs. ethanol, toluene, isooctane

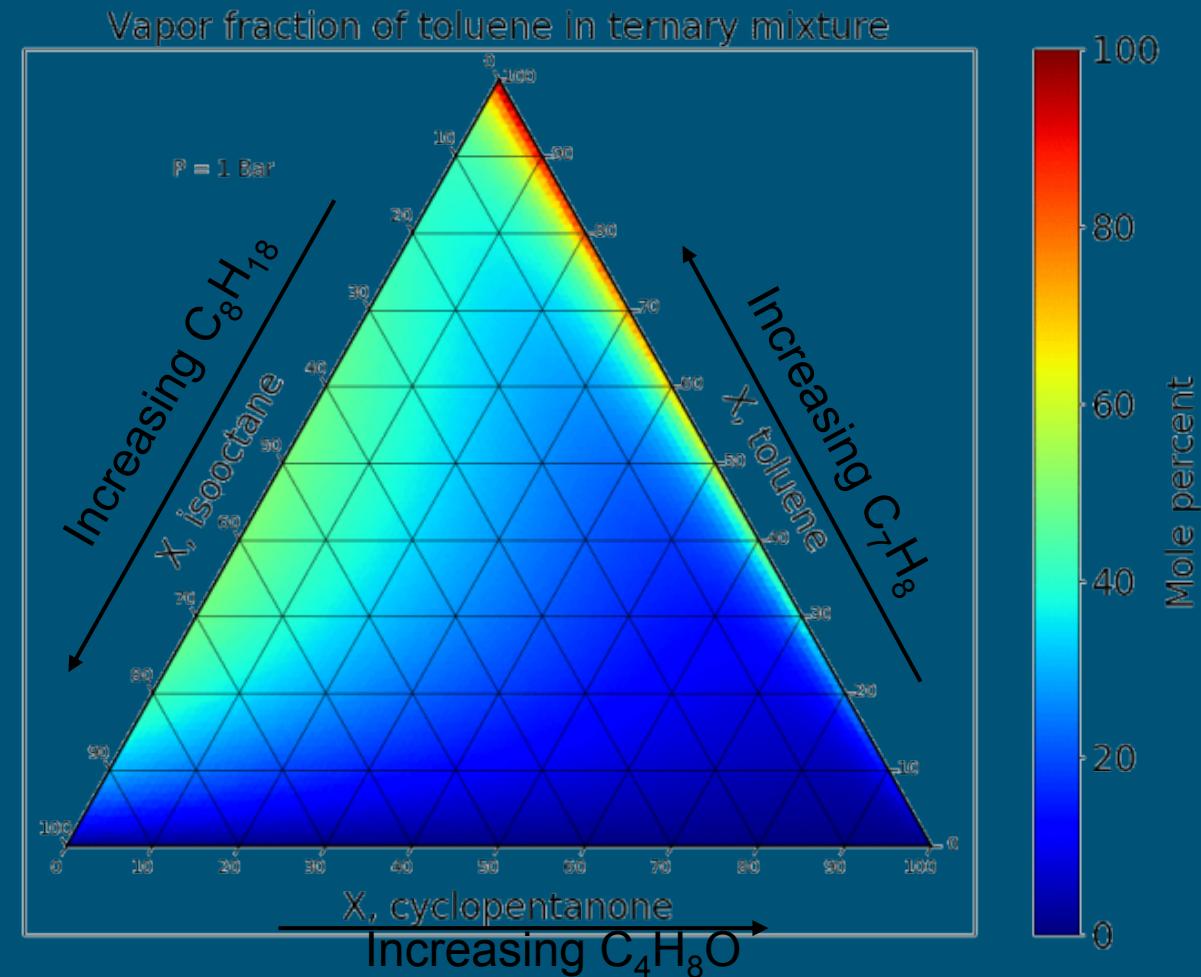
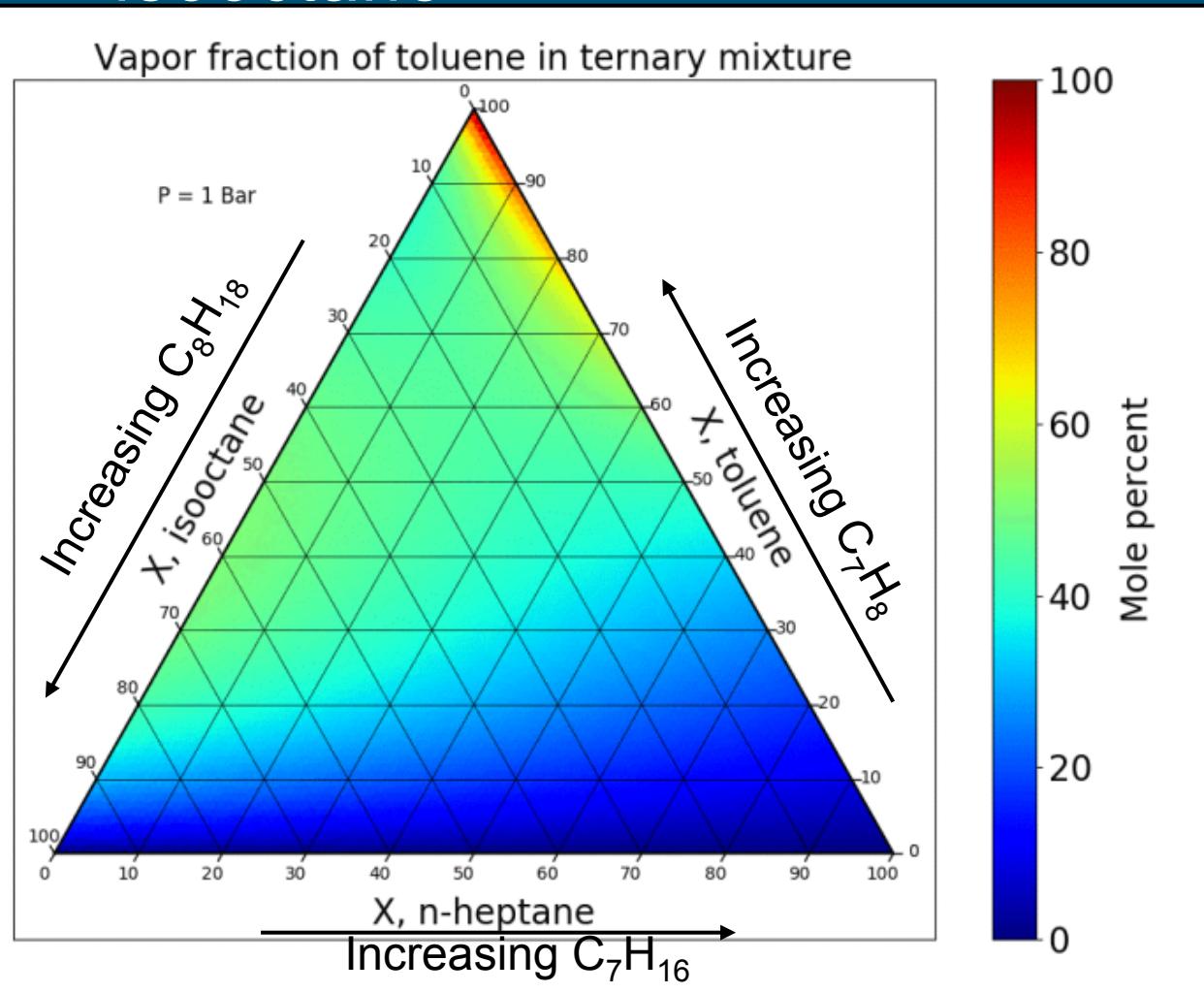


# VLE results 1:1:1- isooctane : toluene : n-alcohol

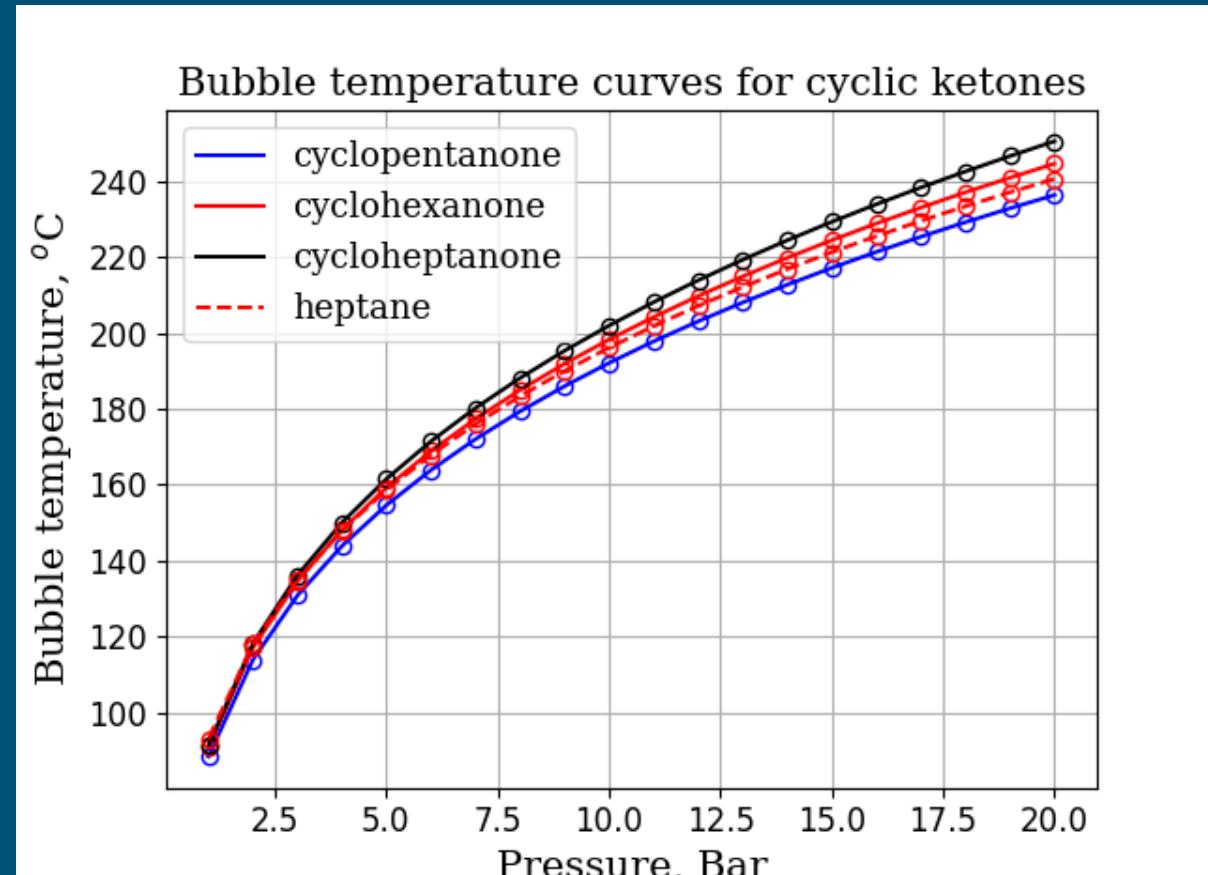
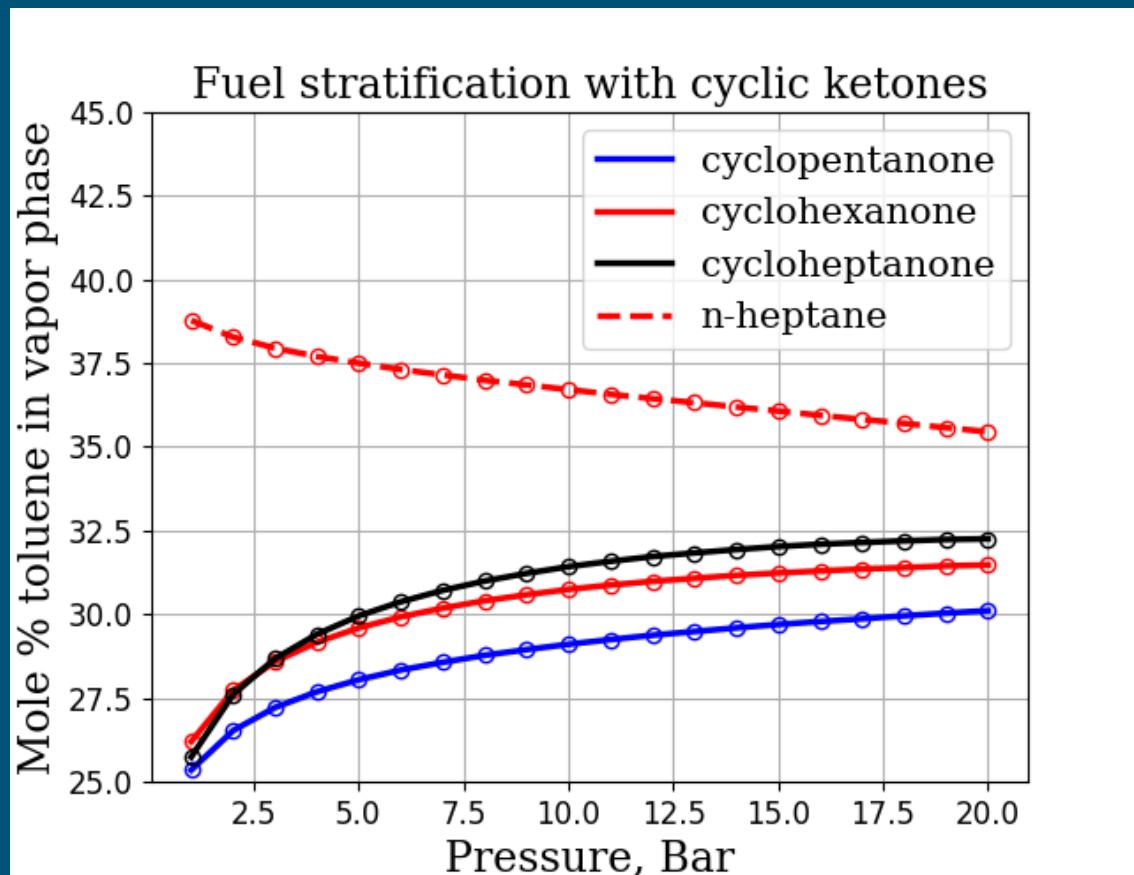


Differences in Bubble temperature curve are sufficient to explain fuel stratification

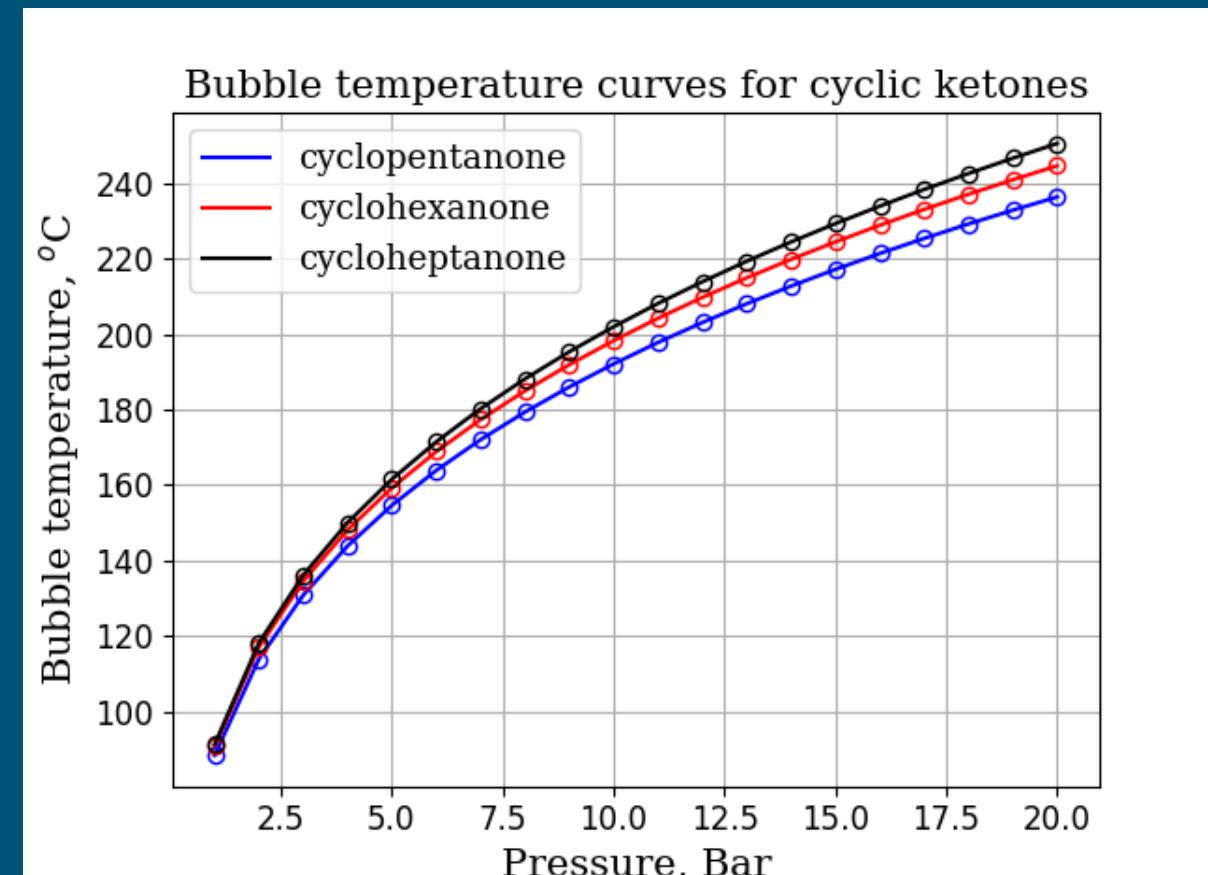
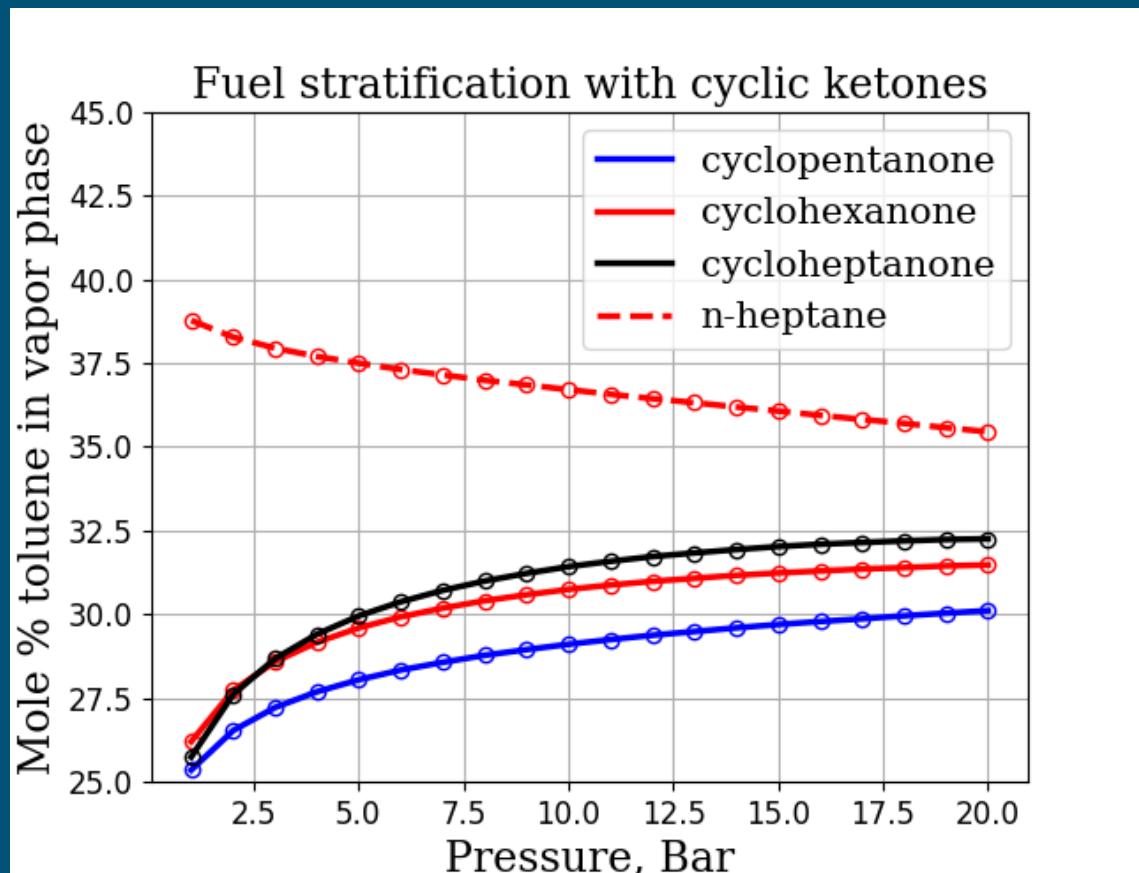
## N-heptane, toluene, isooctane vs. cyclopentanone, toluene, isooctane



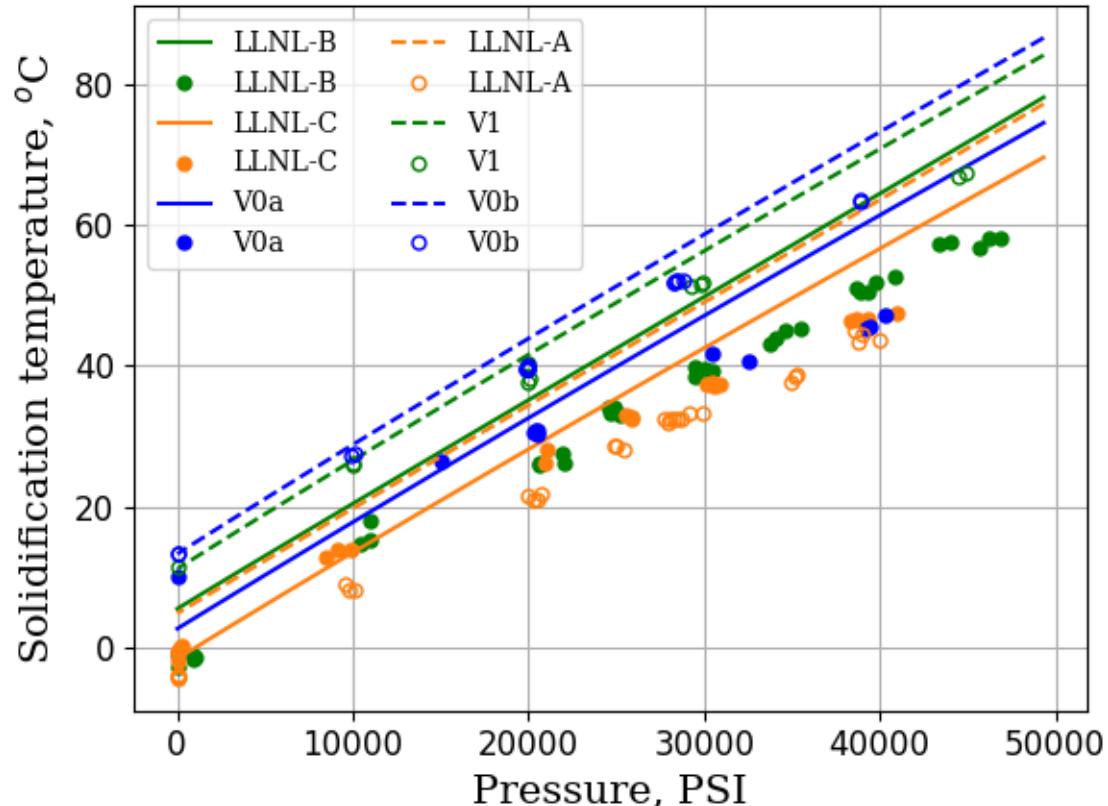
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# Solidification of MCCL fuels

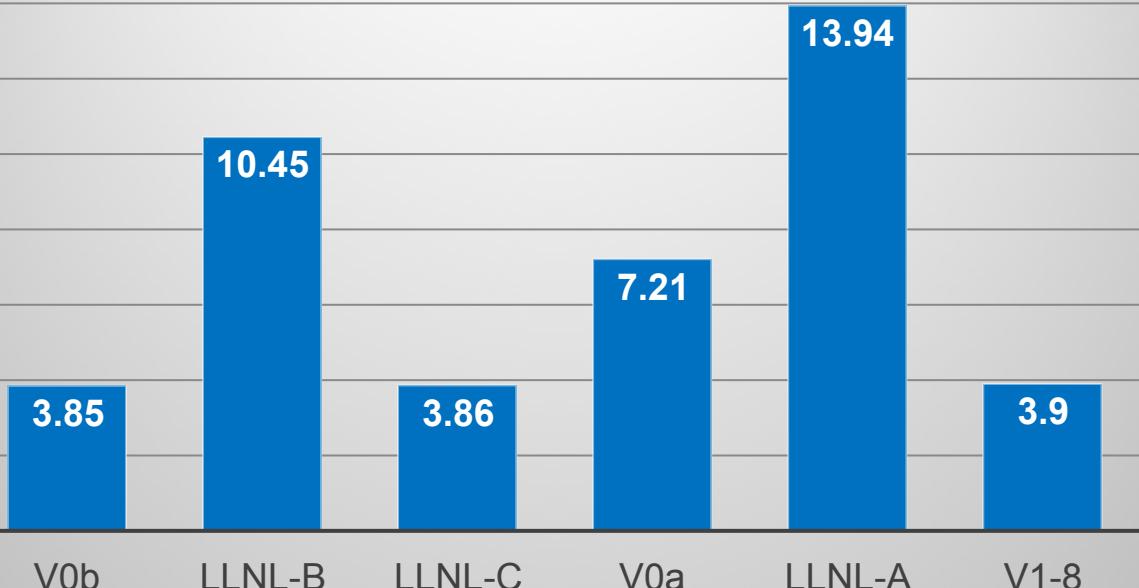


Compound Name	V0a	V0b	V1	V2	LLNL-A	LLNL-B	LLNL-C
n-hexadecane	27.80		2.70		13.90	13.70	16.61
n-octadecane		23.50	20.20	10.80	3.26	3.51	
n-eicosane				0.80	3.02	3.51	
heptamethylnonane	36.30	27.00	29.20		19.10	20.31	19.00
2-methylheptadecane				7.30			
n-butylcyclohexane			5.10	19.10		7.22	10.50
1,3,5-triisopropylcyclohexane				11.00			
trans-decalin	14.80		5.50			20.07	20.08
cis/trans decalin mixture					29.70		
perhydrophenanthrene				6.00			
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene		12.50	7.50				
1,3,5-triisopropylbenzene				14.70			
n-dodecylbenzene							7.64
tetralin			20.90	15.40	16.40	16.00	13.95
1-methylnaphthalene	21.10	16.10	14.40	13.90	15.10	17.72	12.39

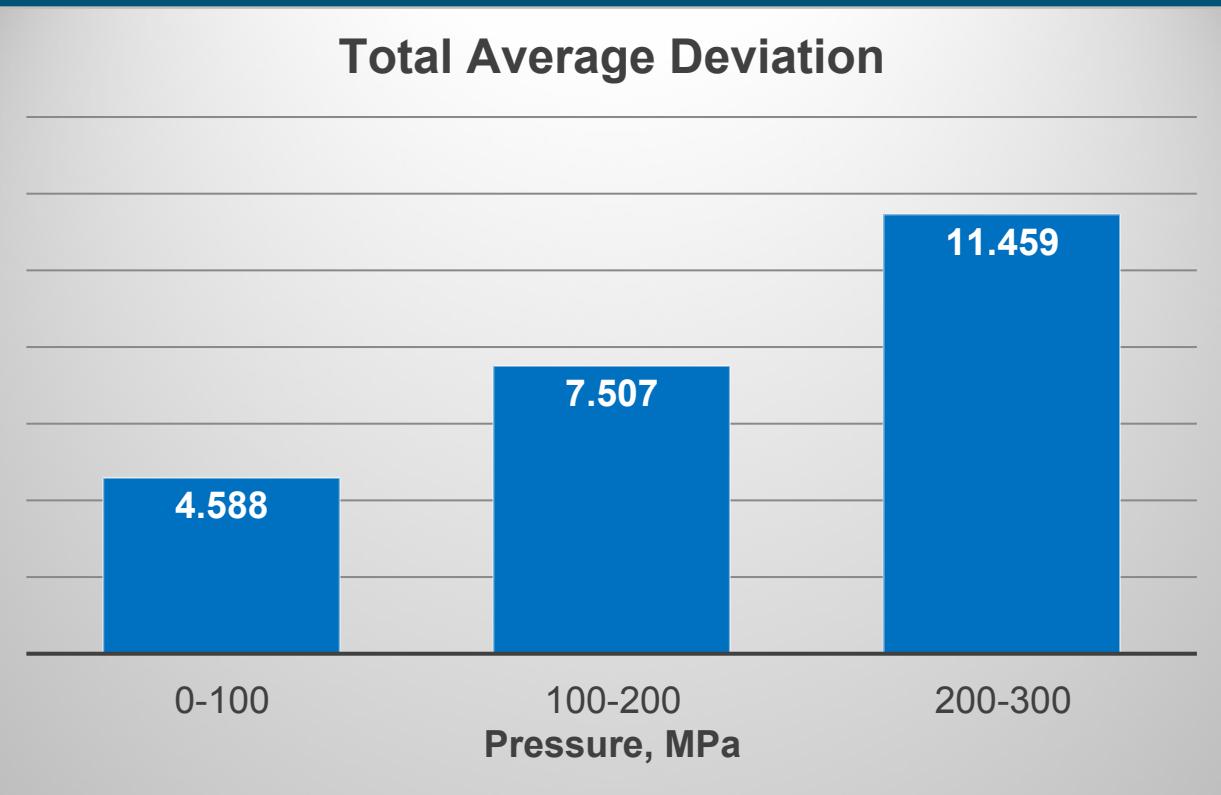
# Average deviations



Average Deviation of Surrogates



Total Average Deviation



# Summary



- EoS methods have been used to successfully model the RVP of fuels
  - Dependent on the availability of a DHA
  - Accuracy of model is better than currently available ASTM
- EoS methods have been used to determine the gas phase composition of a ternary mixture of hydrocarbons
  - Low molecular weight oxygenates evaporate off before aromatics can
  - As pressure increases, aromatic volatility is inhibited => engine cylinder impingement
- EoS methods have been used to accurately model the solidification temperature of MCCI fuels as a function of pressure

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