



# Formulation of a General Collisional-Radiative Model for NO to Study Non-Equilibrium, Hypersonic Flows

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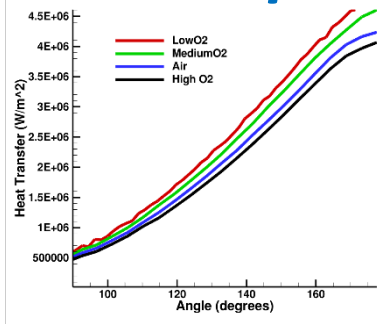
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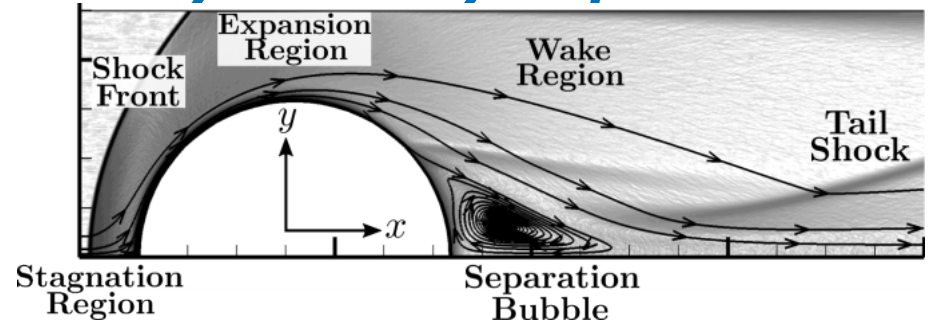
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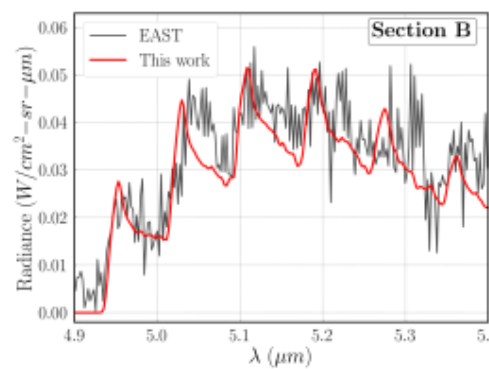
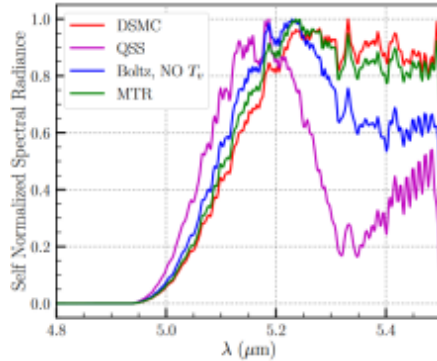
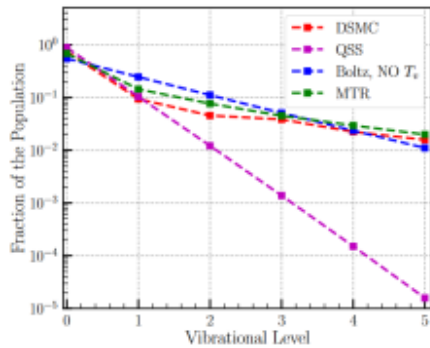
# Optical Measurements - why are they important?



- Good agreement of surface pressure and temperature distributions with experiments
- But little sensitivity to thermochemistry.



**NO Collisional-Radiative (CR) models account for non-Boltzmann behavior and flow transport!**

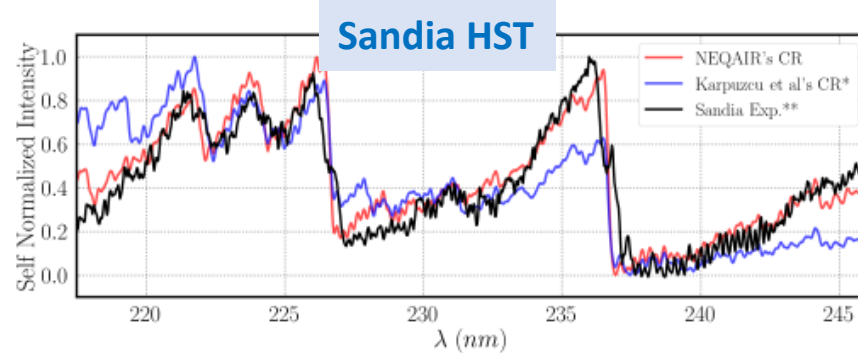
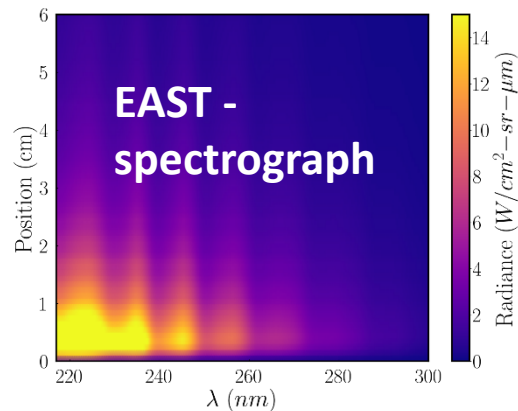


NO potential energy states

> Mach 20

Mach 7

**Modeling UV emission spectra**

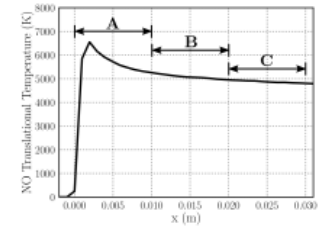


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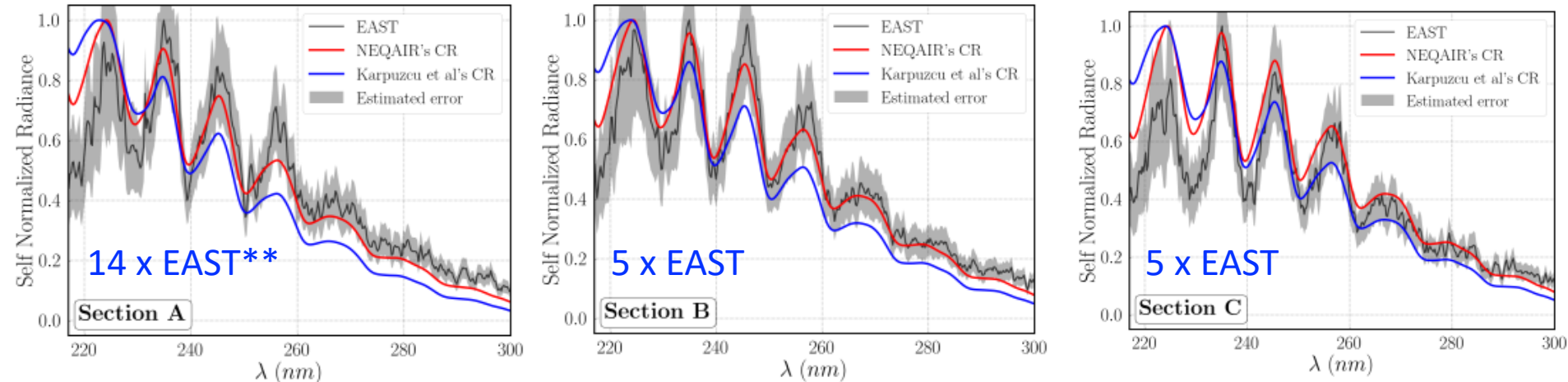
IR

**NO – centric – key species in Mach 7 thermochemistry**

# Comparison of EAST UV Spectra vs. Simulations\*

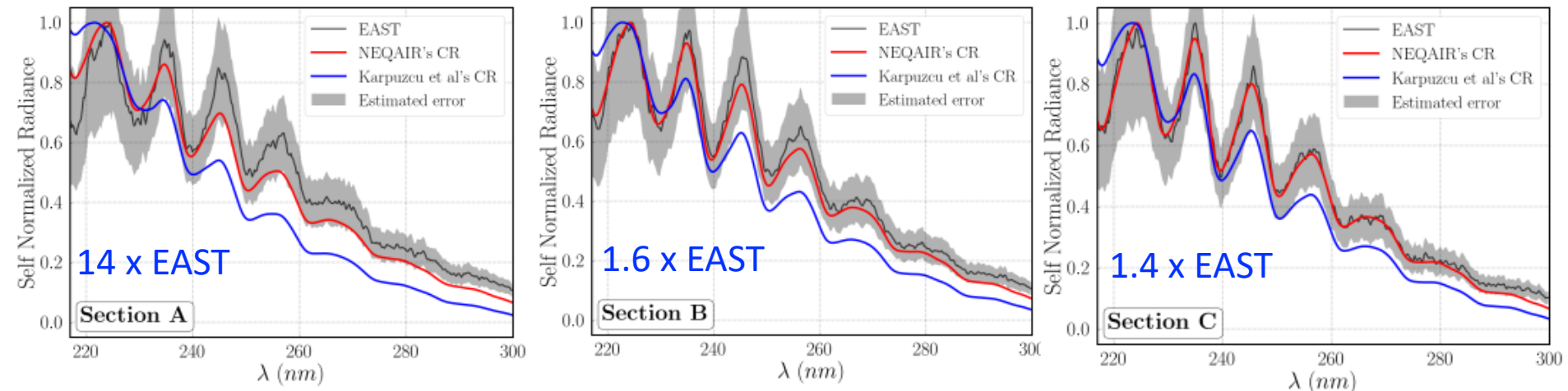


## Shot 26 (3.81km/s): UV emission spectra



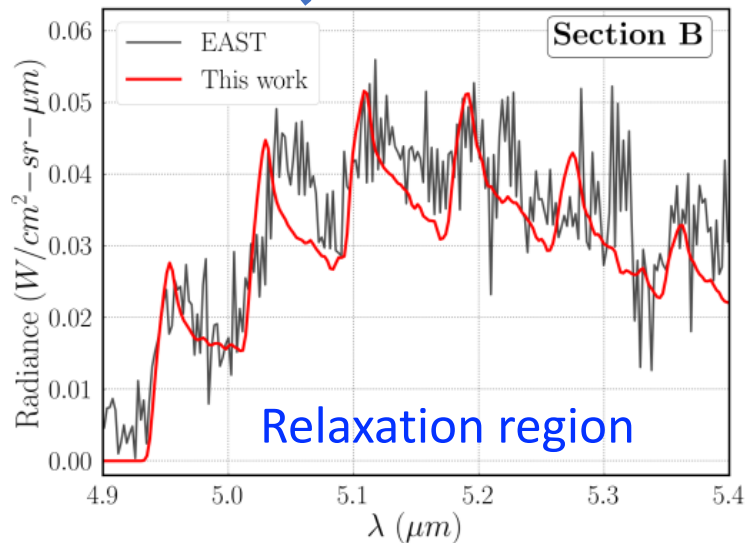
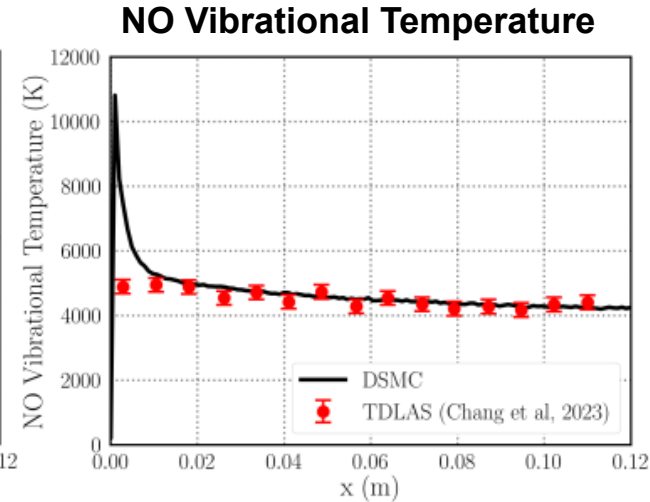
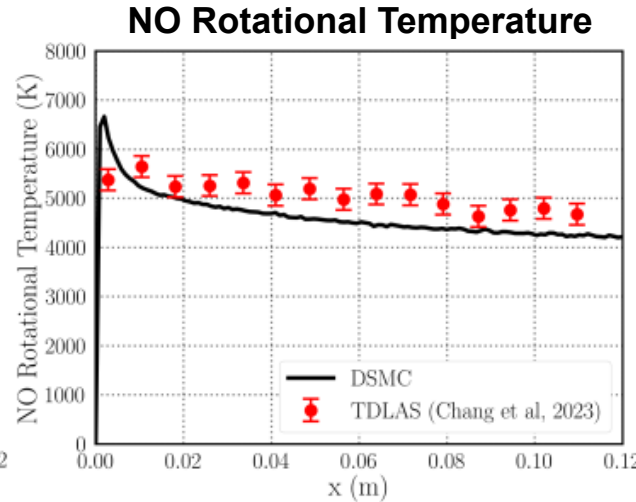
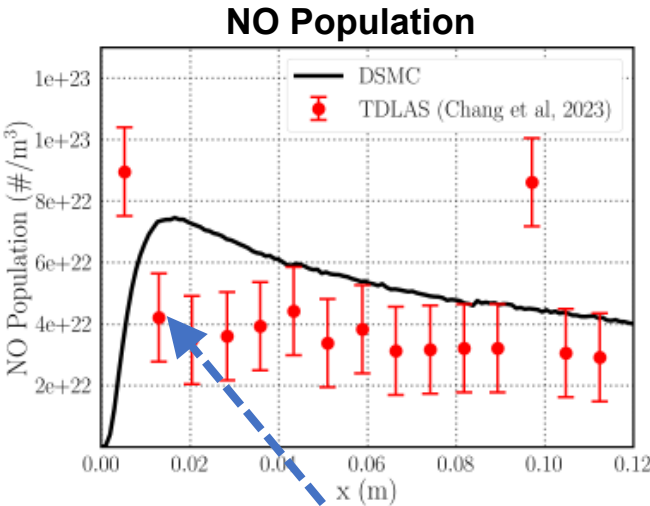
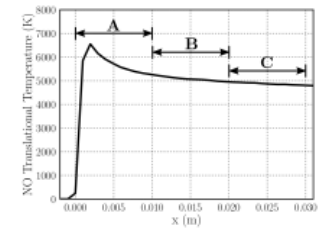
\*\*Ratio of Karpuzcu CR to EAST Data

## Shot 27 (4.51km/s): UV emission spectra



\* Karpuzcu, I. T., Jouffray, M.P., and Levin, D. A., "Collisional Radiative Modeling of Electronically Excited States in a Hypersonic Flow", Journal of Thermophysics and Heat Transfer, Vol. 36, No. 4, 2022, pp. 982–1002.

# Shot 26 (3.81km/s): Comparison with TDLAS Data\*



- Rapid-Scanning Tunable Diode Laser Absorption (TDLAS) measurements were made by Chang et. al\* during EAST Test Series 66.
- *NO populations are within 1.5 times of DSMC estimates and temperatures also show a good match – ANCHOR SIMULATIONS – Need more.*
- Discrepancy near the shock might be a result of TDLAS scan rates and/or reaction rates used in the DSMC solver – not resolved.

\* Chang, E., Streicher, J.W., Strand, C.L., Hanson, R.K., Tibere-Inglesse, A.C. and Cruden, B. A., "Rapid-Scanning Tunable Laser Absorption Measurements of Shock-Heated Nonequilibrium Air Species in the NASA Electric Arc Shock Tube", International Symp. on Shock Waves, July 2023

# 0D Thermal Bath: Development of a New Relaxation Model for $\text{NO}(v)+\text{O} \rightarrow \text{NO}(v')+\text{O}$

- The **vibrational relaxation number**:  
 $Z_v^C := \tau_v / \tau_c = \text{vibrational relaxation time constant / mean time between collisions.}$

- Track evolution of  $T_v$  and relaxation parameter,  $\Lambda$ ,

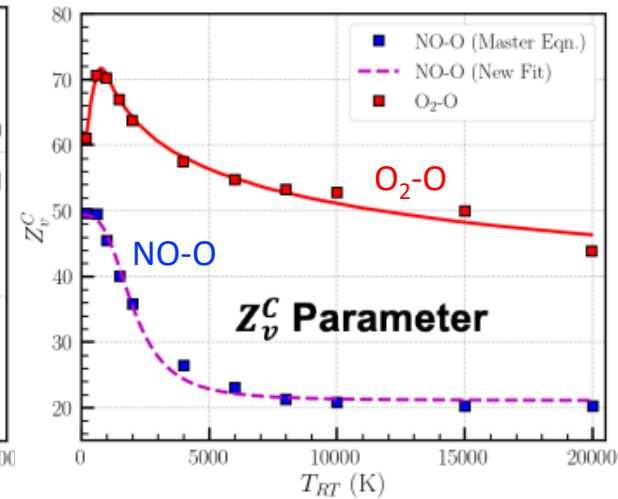
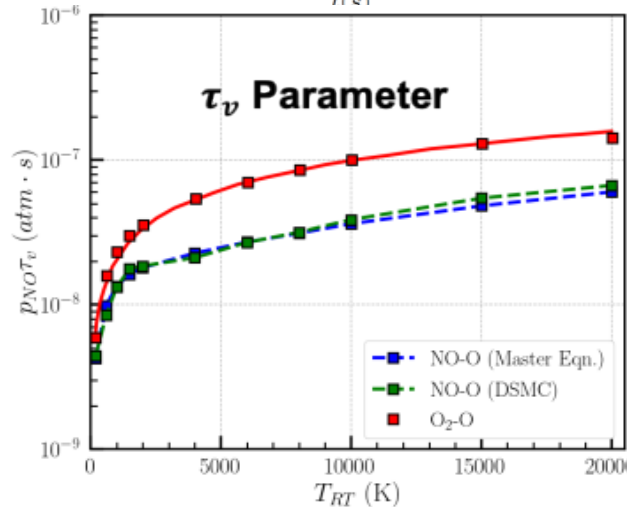
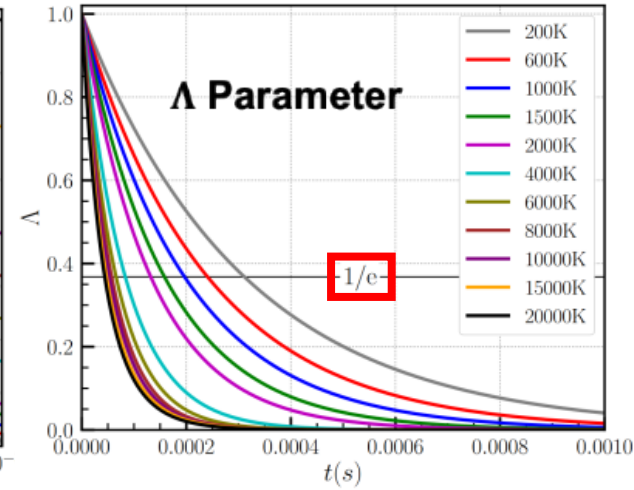
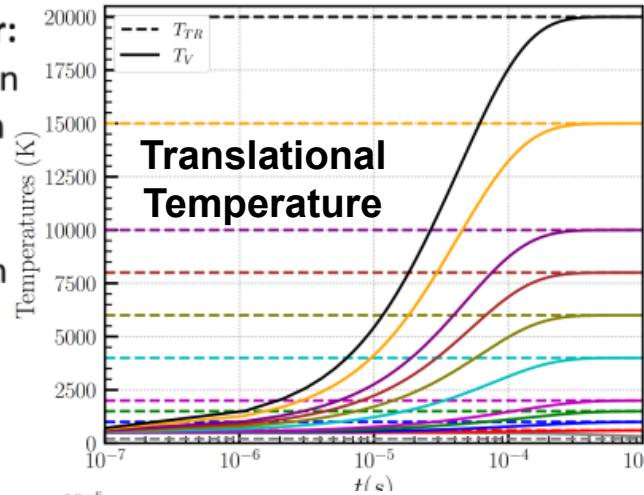
$$\Lambda(t, T_{RT}) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\tau_v}\right) = \frac{\overline{E_v(t)} - E_{eq,v}(T_{RT})}{E_v^0 - E_{eq,v}(T_{RT})}$$

where  $\overline{E_v(t)}$  is instantaneous  $T_v$  calculated as:

$$\overline{E_v(t)} = \frac{\sum_v E_v(v) \exp\left(-\frac{E_v(v)}{kT_v}\right)}{\sum_v \exp\left(-\frac{E_v(v)}{kT_v}\right)}$$

- $\tau_v$  is evaluated for  $\Lambda = 1/e$ .
- Mean collision time is calculated as

$$\tau_c = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}d^2\sqrt{2kT_{RT}/m_R}(T_{ref}/T_{RT})^{\omega-0.5}}$$

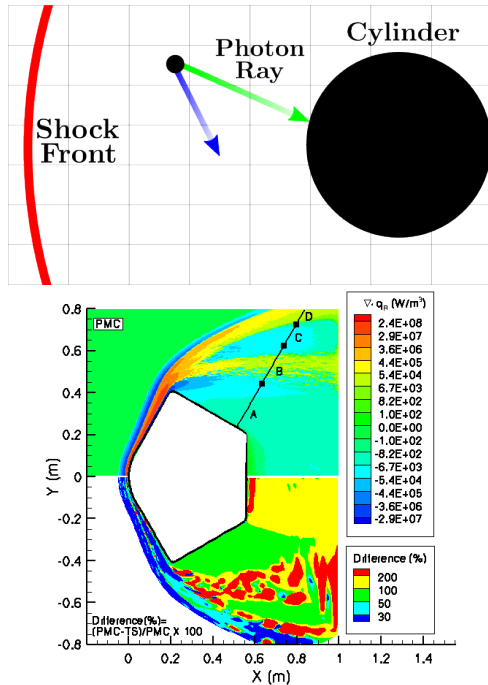


- NO-O relaxation is faster than O<sub>2</sub>-O
- Agreement between Master Eq and DSMC demonstrates correct implementation for flow over cylinder.



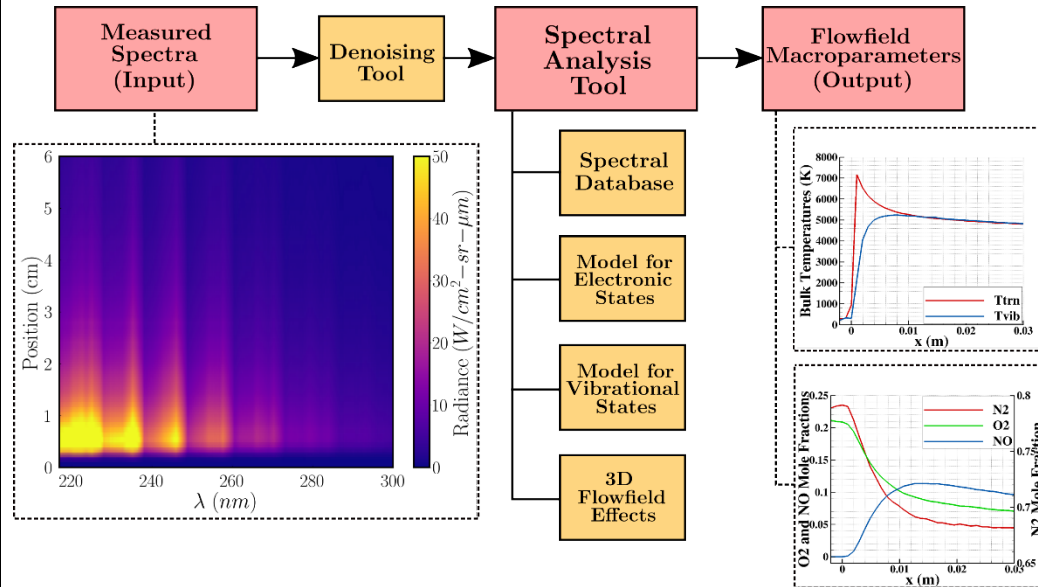
# In Progress and Future Directions

(1) Photon Monte Carlo – most general approach to calculating optical thickness for arbitrary viewing geometries\*



\* I. Sohn, Z. Li, and D. Levin, "Effect of Nonlocal Vacuum Ultraviolet Radiation on Hypersonic Nonequilibrium Flow," *Journal of Thermophysics and Heat Transfer*, 2012.

(2) Artificial Neural network (ANN) to extract flowfield information from spectral data



- ANN trained on spectral databases, thermochemical models and line-of-sights effects
- Denoising tool to extract relevant features from noisy experimental data.
- ANN will extract flowfield information given spectral data.
- Enable comparison of data across different facilities.

(3) Develop IR CR model to simulate non-Boltzmann populations in laser adsorption measurements  
 (4) Simulate optical signatures of time-accurate, unsteady flows

Present collaborations:

- Daniil Andrienko and Alexander Fangman for providing the QCT rates for NO-O vibrational relaxation
- Drs. Brett Cruden and Dr. Augustin C Tibère-Inglesse, NASA/Ames EAST shock tube facility data.
- Dr. Kyle Lynch Sandia Hypersonic Shock Tunnel (HST) spectroscopic emission data.

# Publications 2024

## • Conference papers/presentations:

- Shubham Thirani, Irmak Karpuzcu, and Deborah Levin, “Experimental Validation of Modeling Efforts to Estimate Nitric Oxide Emission in High Mach Number Flows, Scitech 2024, AIAA 2024-2089, <https://doi.org/10.2514/6.2024-0228>
- D. Levin, “Multiscale Modeling of Nonequilibrium Plasma Flows using Particle-kinetic Methods,” University of New South Wales, Canberra, AU, February 26, 2024.
- D. Levin, “Thermo-physical Insights into Nonequilibrium Plasma Flows using Particle-kinetic Methods,” School of Engineering, College of Engineering, Computing and Cybernetics, Australian National University, Canberra, AU, February 22, 2024.
- D. Levin, “A Tale of Two non-Maxwellians,” Invited talk at the Direct Simulation Monte Carlo 2023: Theory, Methods, and Applications Conference, Santa Fe, New Mexico, September 24-27, 2023.
- Shubham Thirani, Deborah A. Levin and Ingrid J. Wysong, “Calibration of the Larsen-Borgnakke Model for NO-O Vibrational Relaxation,” 33<sup>rd</sup> International Symposium on Rarefied Gas Dynamics, Gottingen, Germany, July 15, 2024.
- Shubham Thirani, Irmak Karpuzcu, Deborah Levin, Elijah Jans, Kyle Daniel, and Kyle Lynch, “Modeling of Hypersonic Flow Over a Cylinder in a Reflected Shock Tunnel Facility,” 10<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Radiation of High Temperature Gases for Space Missions, Sept 9 – 12, 2024, Oxford University.

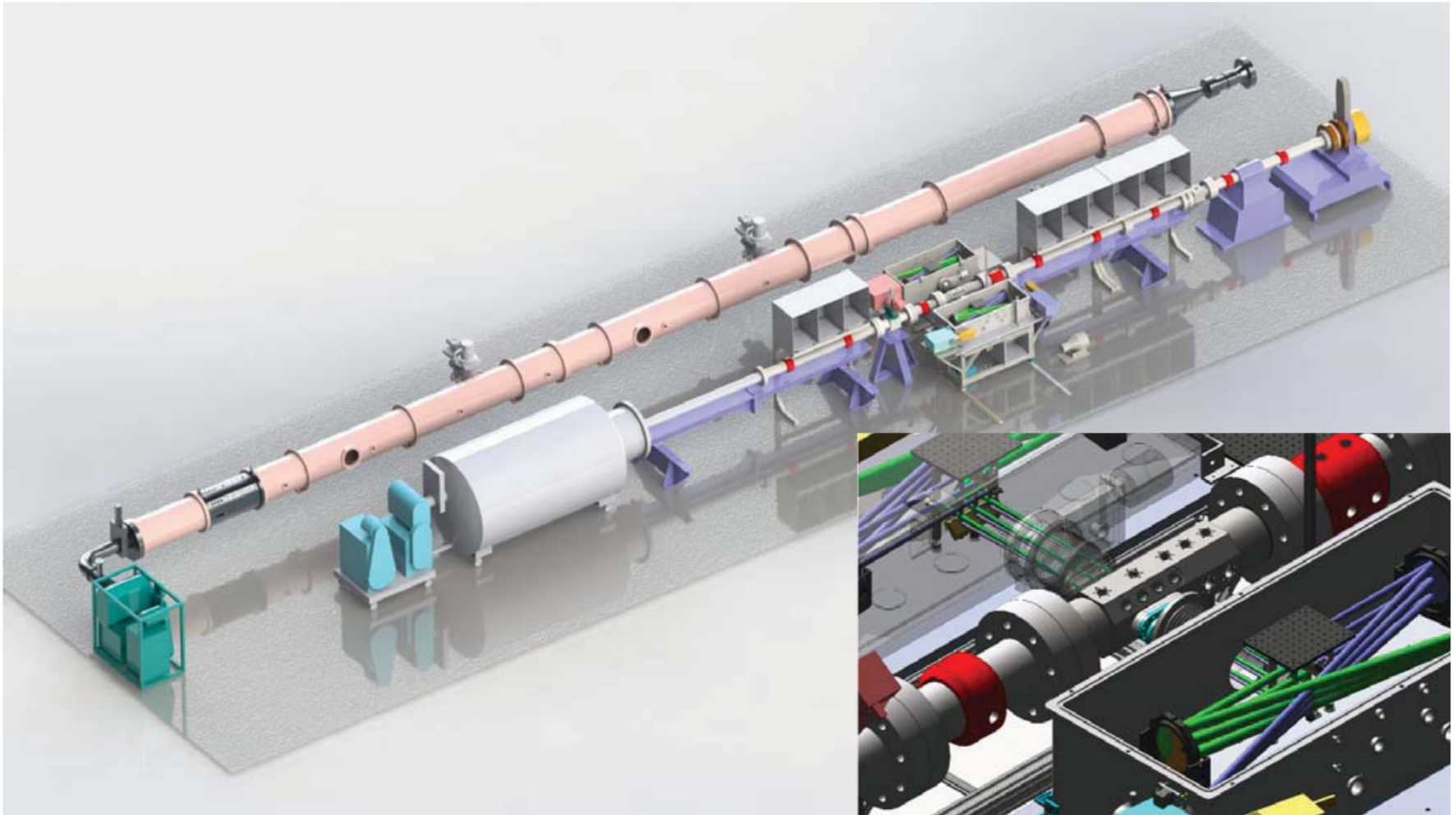
## • Journal papers

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***Thank you for your attention***



# *EAST Shock Tube Work*



**Figure 1. Rendering of the EAST Facility showing both shock tubes. (upper inset) cross-section of driver assembly, (lower inset) close-up of test section and optical boxes.**

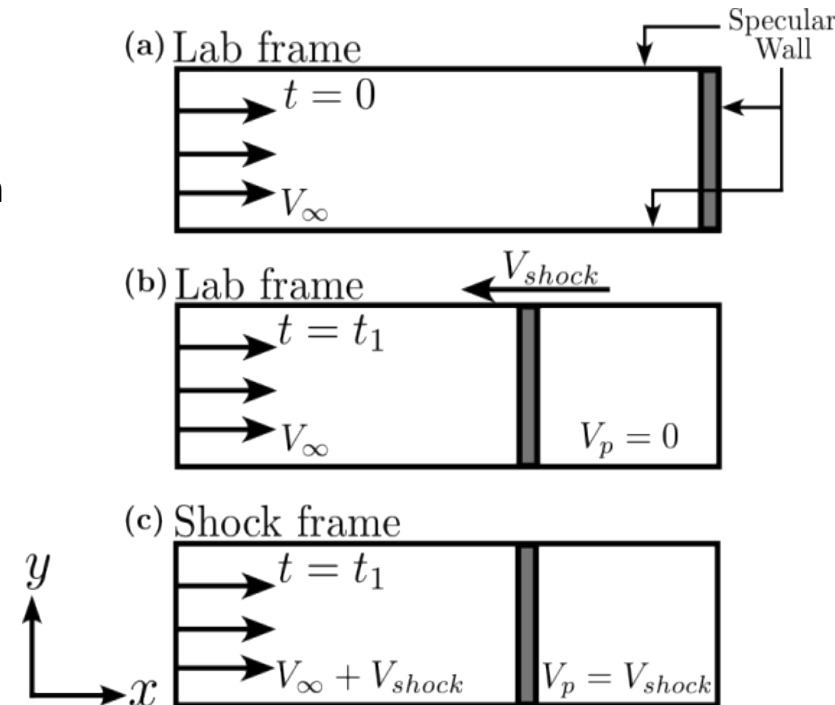
\* Figure from Brett A. Cruden, *"Absolute Radiation Measurements in Earth and Mars Entry Conditions"*, 2014

# Modeling Approach of NASA EAST Shock-tube Data\*

- Unsteady flowfield results generated by Direct Simulation Monte Carlo (DSMC) using “reflected shock approach on right”\*\*
  - Multiple samples in time are averaged to obtain a statistically converged 1D shock solution.
  - 2D simulation with specular top, end and bottom walls
- Non-equilibrium thermochemistry modeling using
  - Bias Model\*\* for dissociation
  - Forced Harmonic Oscillator for  $N_2$  and  $O_2$  V-T relaxation
  - Larsen-Borgnakke model for NO relaxation
  - Discrete Internal Modes
- Optical emissions of 1D shocks simulated to compare with EAST data.

	Shot 26	Shot 27
Upstream velocity, $V_\infty$ (m/s)	3450	4000
Upstream Mach number	9.915	11.495
Total enthalpy (MJ/kg)	6.25	8.30
Temperature (K)	300	300
Pressure (Pa)	300	300
Number Density (#/m <sup>3</sup> )	$7.243 \times 10^{22}$	$7.243 \times 10^{22}$

## Schematic of the shock tube domain

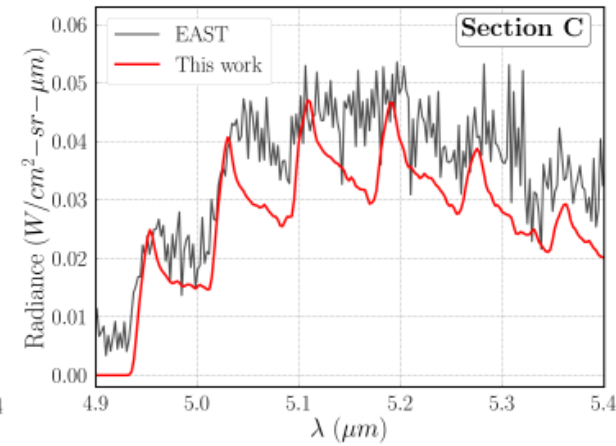
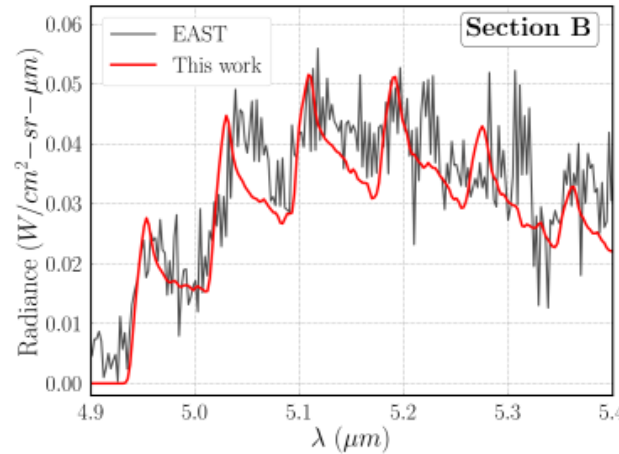
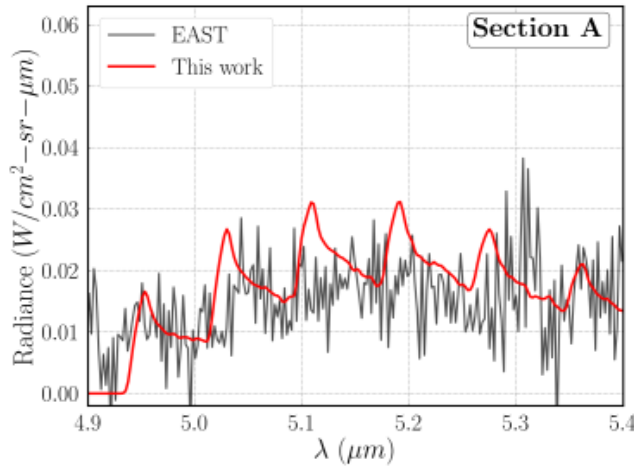
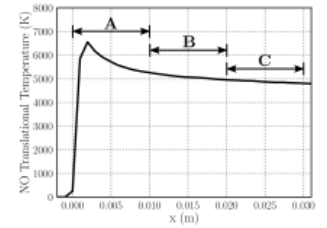


*Analogous to shock tube*

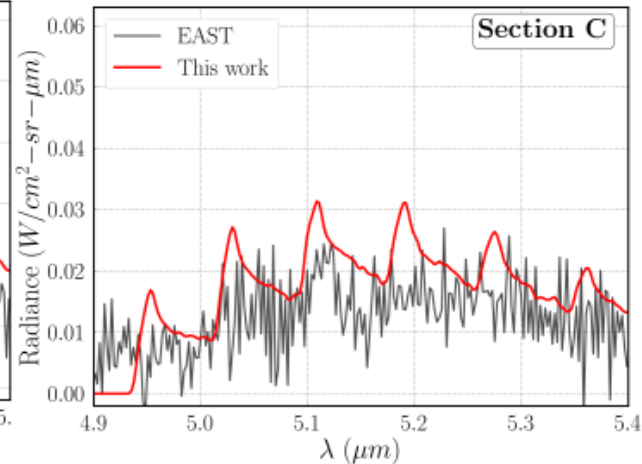
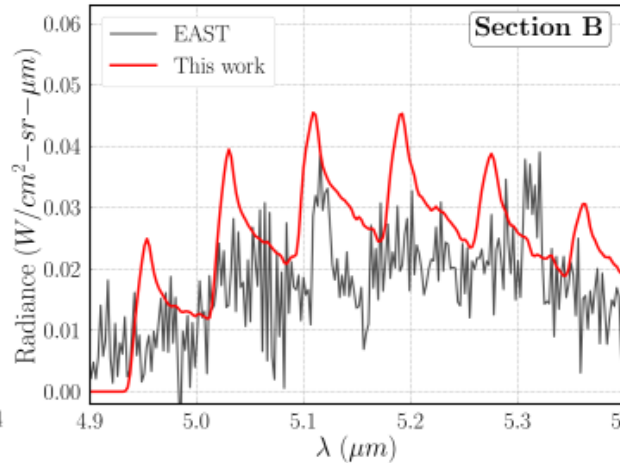
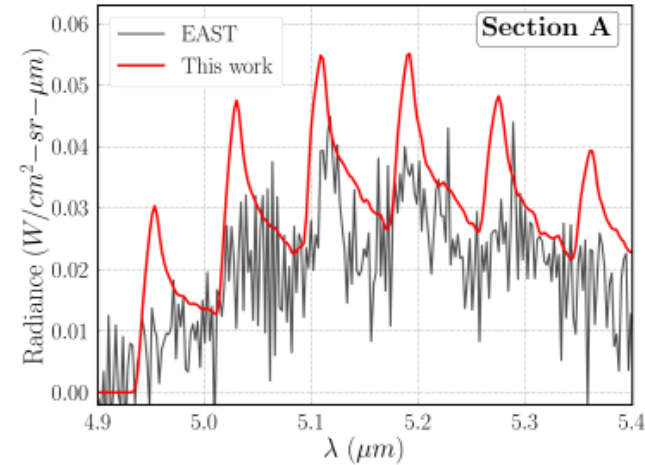
- 'Test series 66' air test series, conducted October through November 2022.
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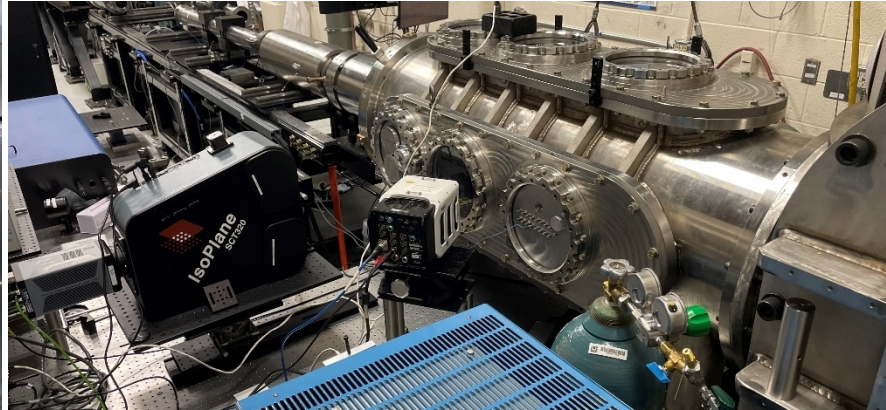


# *Sandia Reflected Shock Tunnel Measurements - Setup*

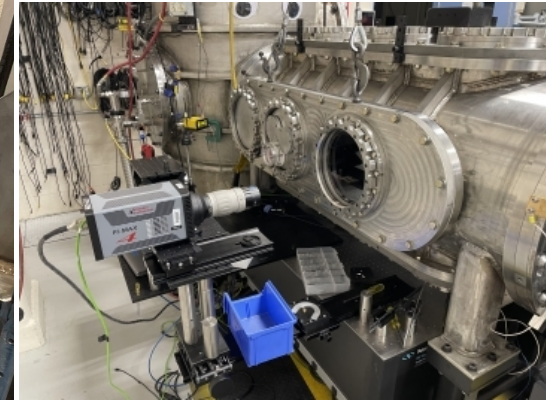
Test Object in Wind Tunnel



Imaging Spectrometer

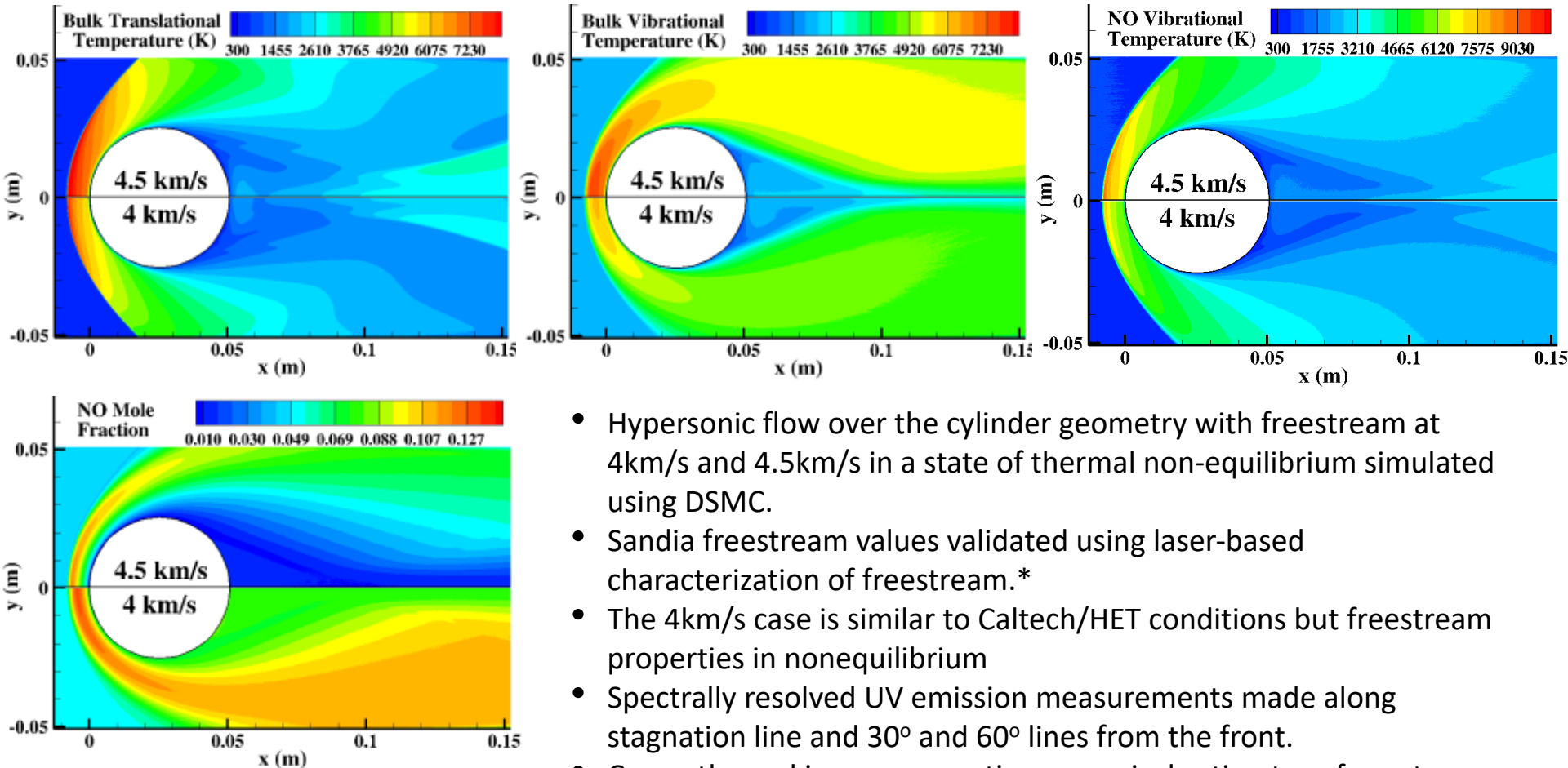


UV Imaging Camera



- High enthalpy flow conditions being tested in Sandia's Hypersonic Shock Tunnel (HST).
- Two different geometries are being tested: Cylinder (2" diameter) – 4km/s, 4.5km/s and Wedge (2" square) – 4.5km/s.
- A total of 15 shots across all conditions.
- Measurements include spectrally resolved UV emission measurements, spectrally banded imaging measurements in 2-dimensional physical space and estimates of internal temperatures based on spectral data.

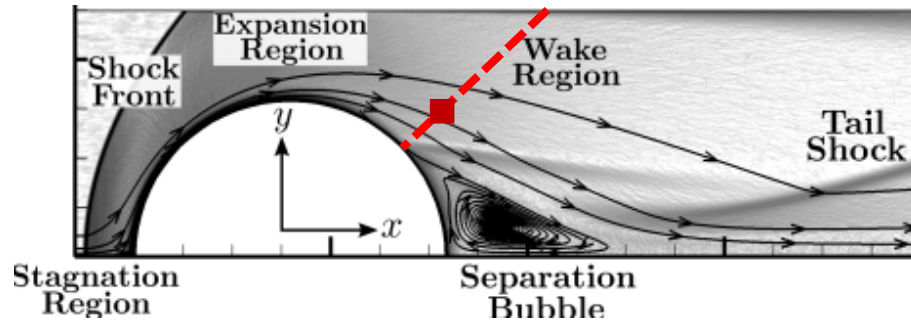
# Modeling of measurements in Sandia Reflected Shock Tunnel – Preliminary Results for Cylinder\*



- Hypersonic flow over the cylinder geometry with freestream at 4km/s and 4.5km/s in a state of thermal non-equilibrium simulated using DSMC.
- Sandia freestream values validated using laser-based characterization of freestream.\*
- The 4km/s case is similar to Caltech/HET conditions but freestream properties in nonequilibrium
- Spectrally resolved UV emission measurements made along stagnation line and 30° and 60° lines from the front.
- Currently working on generating numerical estimates of spectra and spectrally banded image of the flowfield.
- Sandia working on absolute calibration.

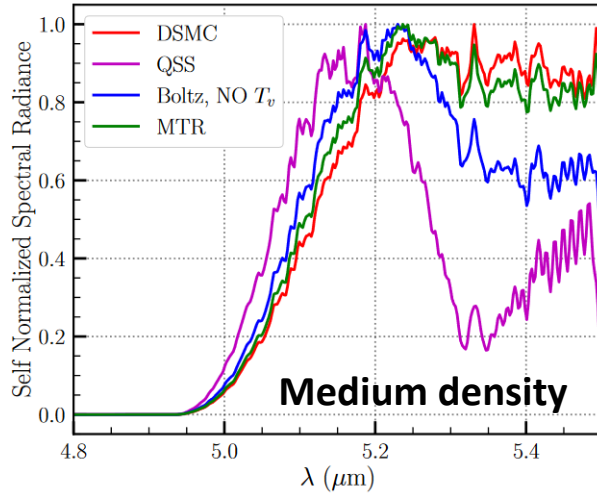
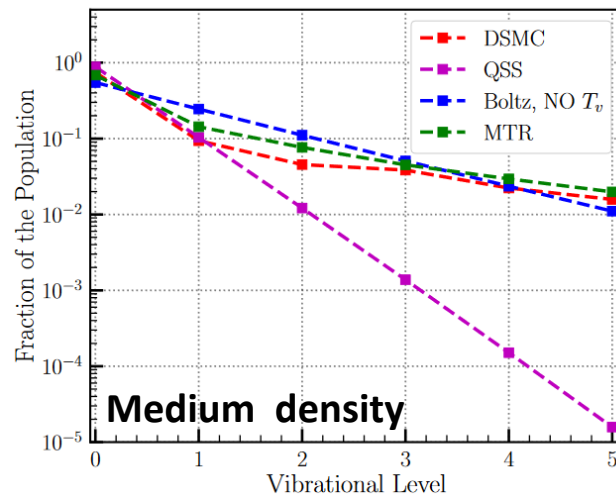
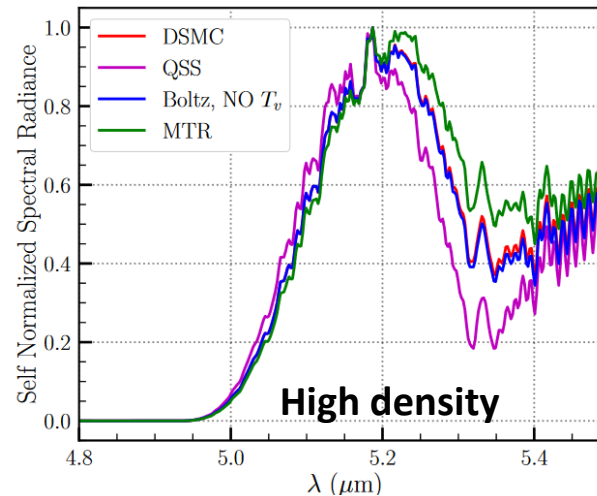
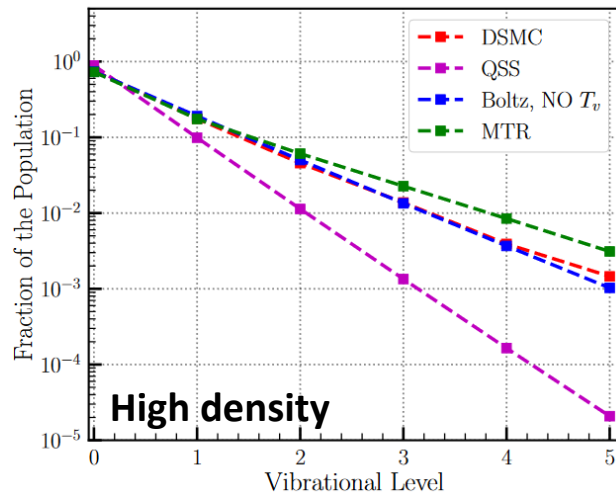
\* Elijah R. Jans et al, "Laser-Based Characterization of Reflected Shock Tunnel Freestream Velocity and Multi-Species Thermal Nonequilibrium with Comparison to Modeling," AIAA SciTech 2024, AIAA 2024-1753.

# Predicted IR Spectra for Hypersonic Flow over a Cylinder



- NO vibrational state distributions sampled from DSMC, overlay solution, QSS, and Boltzmann distribution at NO  $T_v$ .
- High density:
  - Boltzmann distribution at NO  $T_v$  can capture the vibrational state distribution
  - QSS solution underpredicts population fractions of higher vibrational states and absolute intensity.
- Medium density:
  - Overlay approach is essential for capturing non-Boltzmann distribution of vibrational states
  - Estimating NO vibrational temperature using LAS with Boltzmann approx. can lead to incorrect estimates when probing  $v$  less than or equal to 3.

degree of equilibrium



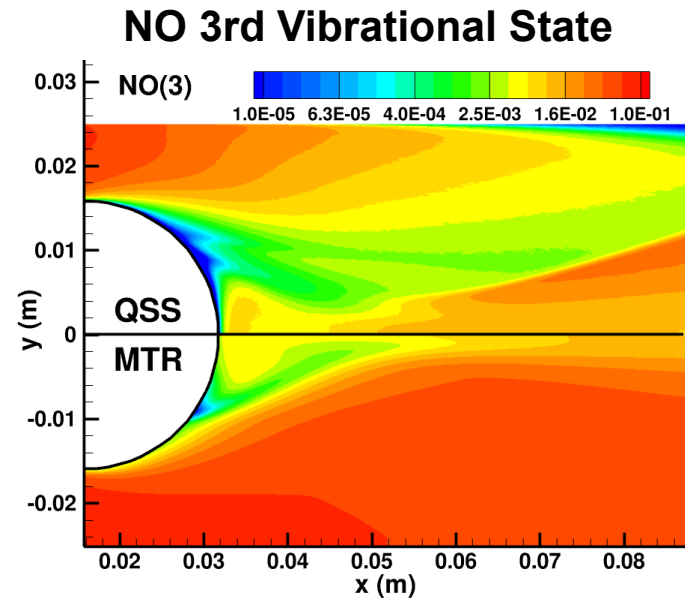
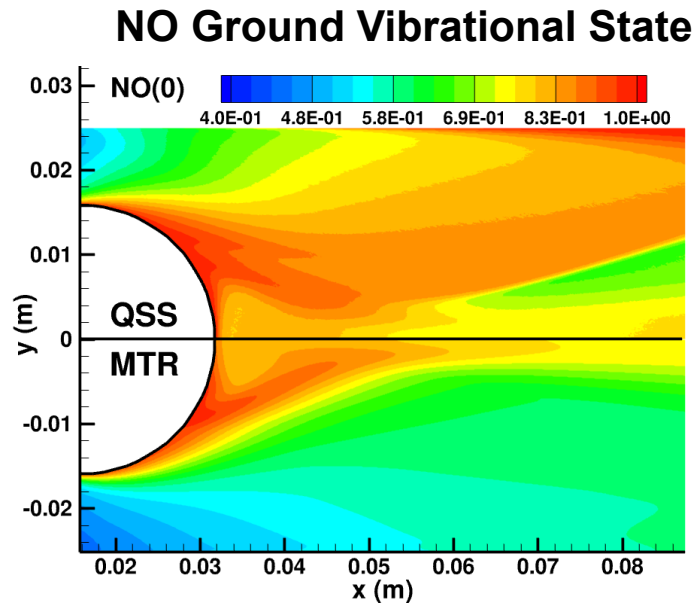


# An Overlay Approach to Implement Infrared CR Model

- **Objective:** Couple transport processes with infrared CR modeling efforts.
- **Assumption:** Changes in distributions of NO vibrational states does not affect base flowfield macro-parameters
- **Approach:**
  - Use DSMC flowfield solutions and mass transport equations to estimate NO vibrational state distributions.
  - 2-D mass transport (MTR) equations for each vibrational state defined as

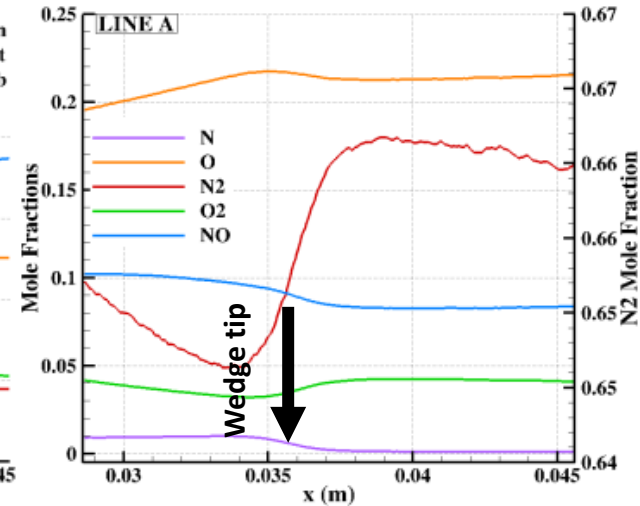
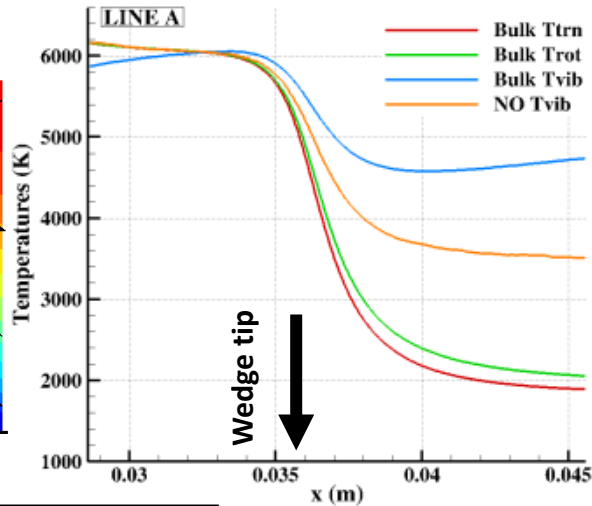
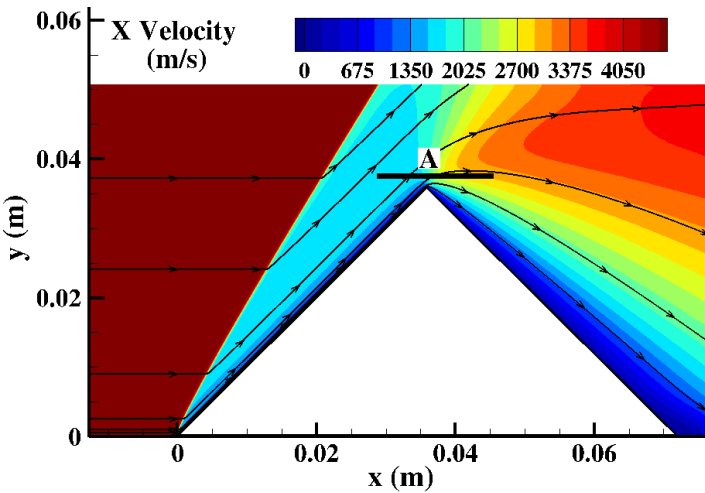
$$\frac{\partial \rho_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho_i u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \rho_i u_y}{\partial y} = D_i \left( \frac{\partial^2 \rho_i}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \rho_i}{\partial y^2} \right) + S_i \text{ where } i \in [0, 6] \quad \bigg| \quad \text{NO}(v) + \text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{NO}(v') + \text{O} \text{ where } v, v' \in [0, 48], v \neq v'$$

- Source term,  $S_i$ , is rate of change described by IR CR model and couples system of equations.



- MTR equation solver predicts distributions significantly different from QSS solutions because it accounts for low residence times in flow regions with strong expansions.

# Modeling of Measurements in Sandia Reflected Shock Tunnel – Preliminary Results for Flow over a Wedge\*



	<b>4.5km/s</b>
Rotational Temp. (K)	650.14
N <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>2</sub> , and NO Vibrational Temps. (K)	2081.42, 902.18, 794.56
Mach Number	8.43
Pressure (Pa)	295.09
N <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>2</sub> , NO and O Mole Fractions	0.702, 0.091, 0.043, 0.164

- Rapid expansion over wedge tip drives thermal non-equilibrium in flow.
- Plot of temperatures along Line A illustrates increase in thermal non-equilibrium as the flow rapidly expands over the wedge tip.
- Wavelength resolved spectra has been collected along Line A.
- Little variation observed for specie mole fractions along Line A implies that flow is chemically frozen.

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