

SALUS 사고해석을 위한 FAI 상관식-기반 에어로졸 모델의 특성 연구

Remarks on the FAI Correlation-based Aerosol Model for SALUS Accident Analysis

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Introduction

□ SALUS (Small, Advanced, Long-cycled and Ultimate Safe SFR)

- KAERI is developing a design and analysis technique for a **pool-type sodium-cooled fast reactor** called **SALUS(Small, Advanced, Long-cycled and Ultimate Safe SFR)**, which will generate **100MWe** with a **long refueling period more than 20 years**.
- Despite the extremely low probability of a severe accident expected in SALUS NPPs(Nuclear Power Plants), the analytical capabilities and tools to **predict radioactive fission products (FPs) releases** to the environment under postulated nuclear power plant accidents are required for public acceptance and licensing.

□ ISFRA (Integrated SFR Analysis Program for PSA)

- KAERI and **Fauske & Associates, LLC (FAI)**, jointly developed ISFRA computer program to simulate the response of the PGsFR(Prototype Gen-IV Sodium-cooled Fast Reactor) pool design with metal fuel during a severe accident.
- ISFRA was designed to be a fast-running simulation software, used for the **Level II PSA of PGsFRs**.
- ISFRA adapted **FAI's correlation-based aerosol analysis model**, as like MAAP or APRIL code.

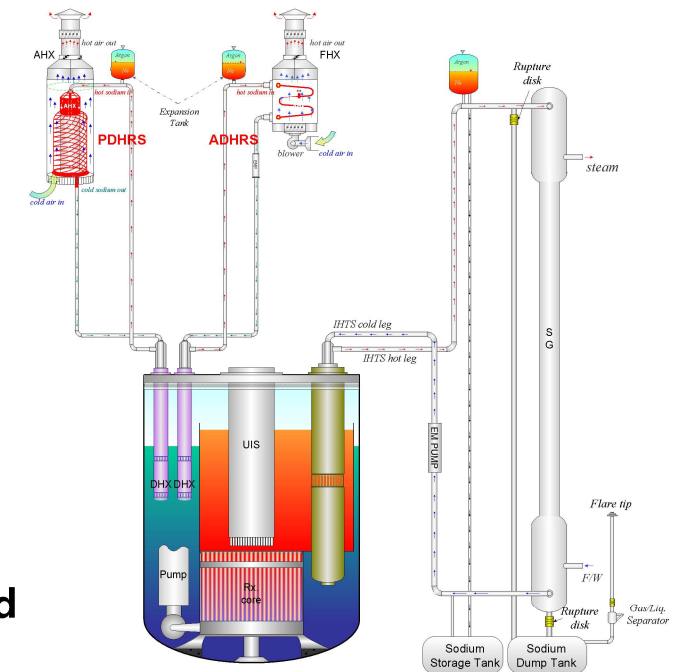


Fig. SALUS schematic diagram

Purposes & Contents



Ultimate Goal: Improvement in Confidence in the ISFRA Severe Accident Source Term Analysis Tool for SALUS NPPs

Purpose of this study: To characterize the **transition behavior between the steady-state and the decaying modes**, and to **compare the CPU times** between the correlation-based model and the MAEROS sectional numerical method.

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Correlation-based Aerosol Model (1/2)

□ FAI's Correlation-based Aerosol Model

- Aerosol similarity assumed.
 - ▶ As time increase, the **particle size distribution becomes the same**, independent of the initial distribution of sizes.
 - ▶ Two steady-state aerosols or two aging aerosols (after the initial conditions are forgotten) are similar, if their dimensionless densities M are the same. (See **Figure 1**)
 - ▶ By **similarity analysis**, variables concerning aerosol behavior can be non-dimensionalized, as in **Table 1**.

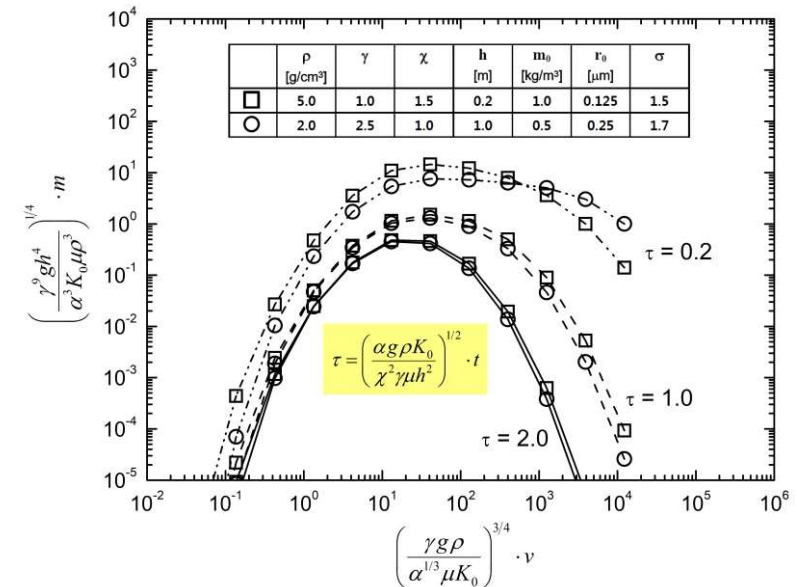


Fig. 1: Particle mass distribution of two different aging aerosols undergoing Brownian and gravitational coagulation and settling

Table 1: Dimensionless major variables for aerosols undergoing Brownian and gravitational coagulation and settling

Time, τ	Particle volume, v	Particle number density, N
$\left(\frac{\alpha g \rho K_0}{\chi^2 \gamma \mu h^2}\right)^{1/2} \cdot t$	$\left(\frac{\gamma g \rho}{\alpha^{1/3} \mu K_0}\right)^{3/4} \cdot v$	$\left(\frac{\gamma^3 K_0^5 \mu^5 h^4}{\alpha g^5 \rho^5}\right)^{1/4} \cdot n$
Mass density, M	Decay constant, λ	Particle production rate, \dot{N}_p
$\left(\frac{\gamma^9 g h^4}{\alpha^3 K_0 \mu \rho^3}\right)^{1/4} \cdot m$	$\left(\frac{\gamma \chi^2 \mu h^2}{\alpha K_0 g \rho}\right)^{1/2} \cdot \lambda$	$\left(\frac{\gamma^5 \chi^4 K_0^3 \mu^7 h^8}{\alpha^3 g^7 \rho^7}\right)^{1/4} \cdot \dot{n}_p$

- h effective height for aerosol deposition [m]
- k Boltzmann constant
- $K(v, \tilde{v})$ kernel representing the frequency of binary collisions between particles of volume v and \tilde{v}
- K_0 normalized Brownian collision coefficient
- m total mass concentration of the suspended aerosols [kg/m³]
- M dimensionless total suspended aerosol
- \dot{M}_p mass dimensionless source rate
- N particle size distribution function [m⁻³]
- \dot{n}_p source rate of particles [m⁻³s⁻¹]

Correlation-based Aerosol Model (2/2)

FAI's Correlation-based Aerosol Model

- Aerosol dynamic equation is transformed into a simpler equation by using dimensionless parameters.

- Total Aerosol Mass Variation:

$$m(t) = \rho \int_0^\infty vn(v,t)dv \quad \text{with} \quad \dot{m}_p(t) = \rho \int_0^\infty v\dot{n}_p(v,t)dv$$

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{\int_0^\infty vn(v,t)u(v)dv}{h \int_0^\infty vn(v,t)dv}$$

- In **dimensionless form**, steady-state and decaying conditions are expressed as follows:

$$\frac{dM}{d\tau} = -\Lambda_{SED}^{SS}(M) \cdot M + \dot{M}_p = 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{dM}{d\tau} = -\Lambda_{SED}^D(M) \cdot M$$

- Functional **relationships of $\Lambda(M)$** are obtained based on many exact numerical solutions by running a **sectional analysis tool, MAEROS**.

α	density correction factor [-]
χ	particle settling shape factor [-]
$\epsilon(v, \tilde{v})$	capture coefficient [-]
γ	collision shape factor [-]
λ	aerosol removal rate constant [s ⁻¹]
Λ	dimensionless decay constant
μ	viscosity of the carrier gas [kg/m/s]
ρ	density of the aerosol material [kg/m ³]
τ	dimensionless time

SYMBOL	h [m]	\dot{m}_p [kg/m ³ /s]	ρ [kg/m ³]	γ	χ	σ	r_0 [μm]
□	3.1017	9.1549E-7	2450	2.25	1.5	2.0	0.125
△	10.0	8.2160E-6	4000	2.5	1.0	1.55	0.136
○	3.1017	5.9038E-6	2130	2.25	1.5	2.0	0.25
◇	5.0	2.3122E-4	5000	1.0	1.0	1.55	0.27
▽	3.1017	1.1737E-4	3670	2.25	1.5	2.0	0.5
X	2.0	2.9343E-5	2000	1.0	1.0	2.5	1.0
○	1.0	1.1737E-4	1000	1.0	1.0	1.5	0.5

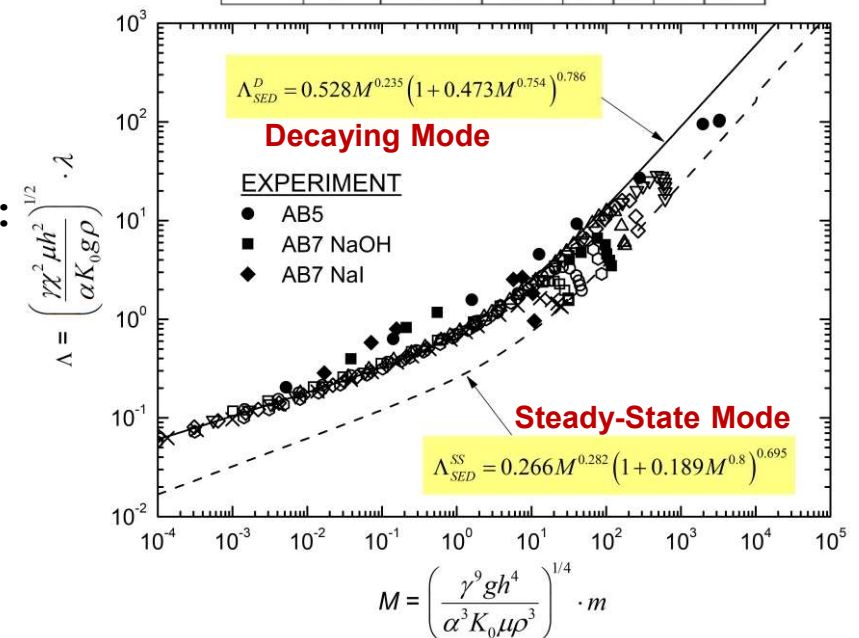


Fig. II: Dimensionless aerosol removal rate constant for sedimentation as a function of dimensionless suspended mass concentration.

Transition btwn S.S. and Decaying (1/2)

□ Aerosol Removal Rate Constant, λ_{SED}

○ Execution procedure to calculate suspended aerosol masses

- 1) Dimensionless **suspended aerosol mass** M is calculated from the suspended aerosol mass m by using the equations of Table 1,
- 2) The **dimensionless decay constant** Λ is calculated depending on the situation of steady-state or decaying aerosol,
- 3) Dimensionless decay constant Λ is transformed into an **aerosol removal rate constant** λ by using the equations of Table 1, and
- 4) The **suspended aerosol mass** m is finally calculated by

$$\frac{dm(t)}{dt} = -\lambda_{SED} m(t) + \dot{m}_p$$

○ In the ABCOVE AB5 simulation,

- ▶▶ λ_{SED} follows Λ_{SED}^{SS} until 872s, with aerosol sources
- ▶▶ λ_{SED} jumps from Λ_{SED}^{SS} to Λ_{SED}^D immediately at 872s
- ▶▶ then λ_{SED} follows Λ_{SED}^D after 872s, without any aerosol source

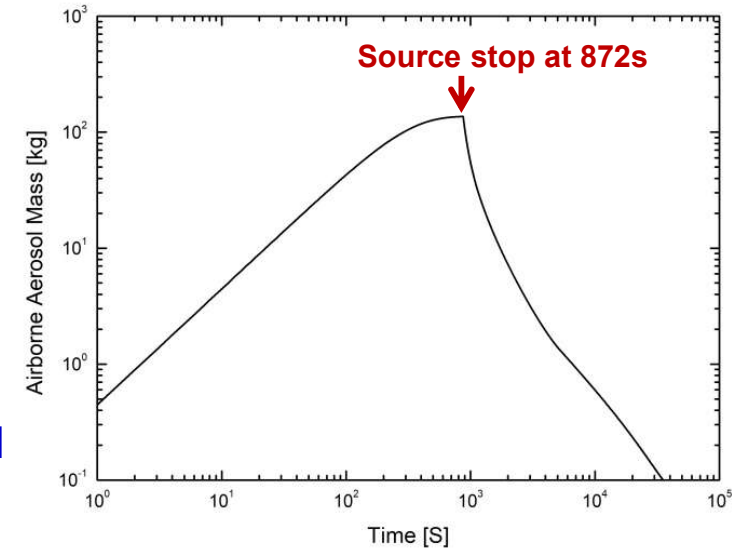


Fig. III: AB5 airborne aerosol mass

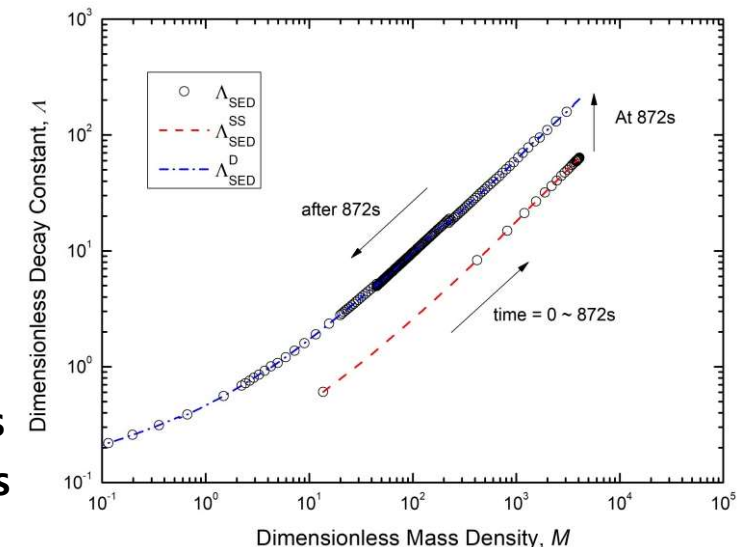


Fig. IV: Aerosol removal rate constant λ_{SED} for AB5 simulation

Transition btwn S.S. and Decaying (2/2)

□ How to control λ_{SED} (or Λ_{SED}) in the transition phases?

○ Determination logic of aerosol removal constant λ_{SED} :

I. Without aerosol source;

$$\lambda_{SED} = \lambda_{SED}^D$$

Steady-state airborne aerosol mass

$$M_{SS} = \dot{m}_p / \lambda_{SED}$$

II. With aerosol sources;

II-1) If $m(t)/M_{SS} < 1.0$;

$$\lambda_{SED} = \lambda_{SED}^{SS}$$

II-2) If $m(t)/M_{SS} > 1.0$;

$$U \equiv \frac{m(t) - M_{SS}}{(f_{SS} - 1)M_{SS}}$$

Interpolation factor $FSEDDK$

$$FSEDDK = 4 * U^3 - 6 * U^2 + 3 * U$$

Then,

$$\lambda_{SED} = FSEDDK * \lambda_{SED}^D + (1 - FSEDDK) * \lambda_{SED}^{SS}$$

Multiplier to the expected steady-state mass, above which the new source will not affect the removal rate. (> 1.0)

$$f_{SS} \equiv 8.0 \quad \text{in ISFRA code}$$

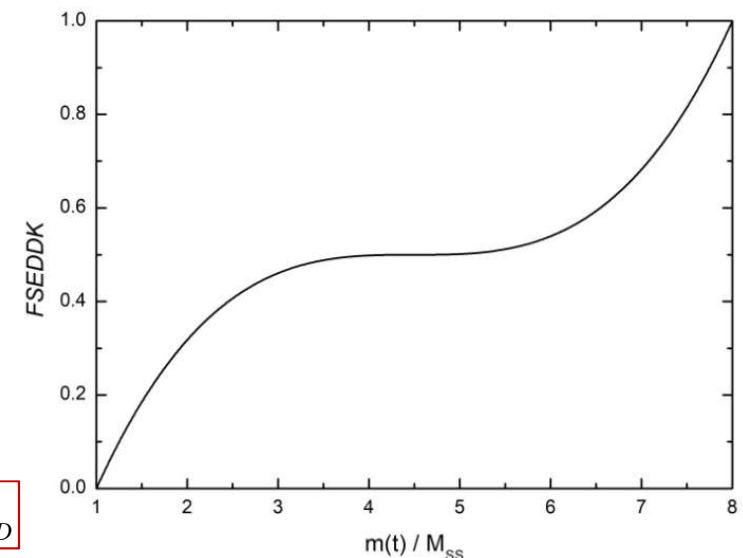


Fig. V: $FSEDDK$ as a function of the ratio of suspended aerosol mass $m(t)$ to the steady-state airborne aerosol mass M_{SS} (with $f_{SS} = 8.0$)

CPU Time Comparison (1/2)

□ Preparation of CPU Time Comparison

○ FAI correlation-based aerosol model

- ◆ **Stand-alone aerosol module of ISFRA code**
 - ◆ Subroutines for aerosol FP analysis were extracted from the ISFRA code, and
 - ◆ A driver(FPINTRA) was created to impose the appropriate boundary condition of the experiment

○ MAEROS sectional method

- ◆ MAEROS model was developed by Gelbard et al. in early '80, and adapted in **CONTAIN** and **MELCOR** codes.
- ◆ **Numerical solution** - the general aerosol kinetic equation is transformed into the sectionalized governing equation, assuming that coagulation and condensation occurs in series and that any two mechanisms cannot occur simultaneously.
- ◆ **MAEROS code** was obtained from the **IAEA code bank system**.

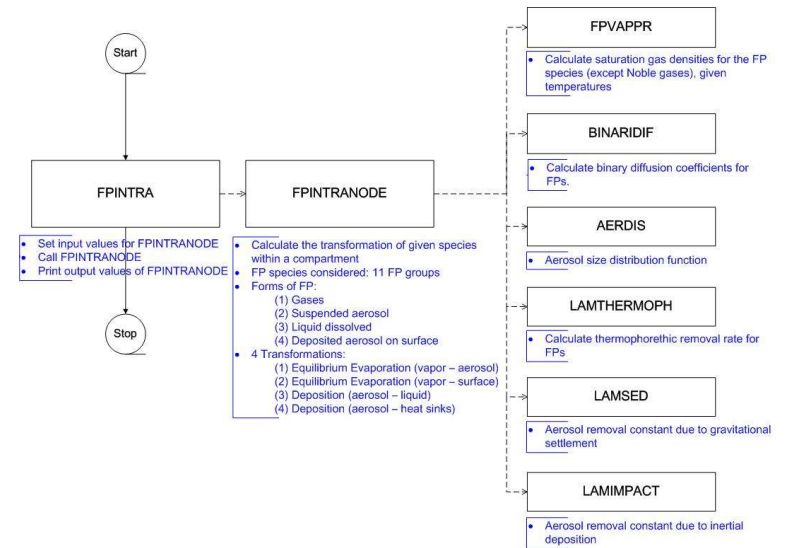


Fig. VI: Code structure of the stand-alone aerosol module of ISFRA

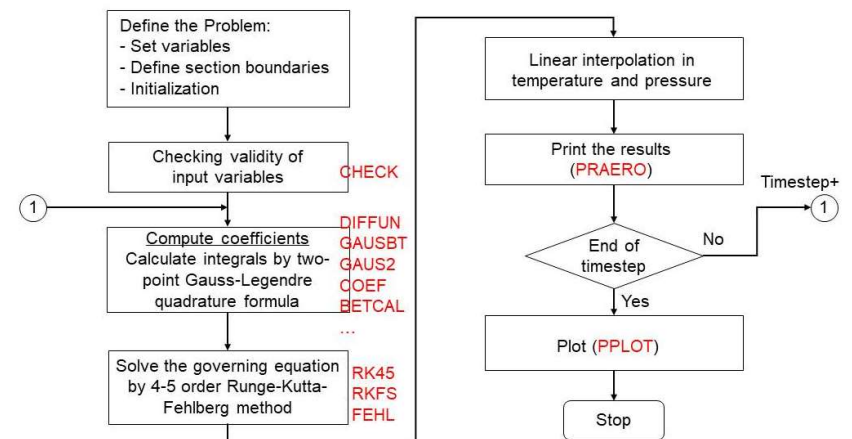


Fig. VII: MAEROS calculation flow chart

CPU Time Comparison (2/2)

□ CPU Time Comparison between AB5 Simulations by FAI & MAEROS methods

- In the ABCOVE **AB5 test**, performed in 1982, **single-species aerosol** was generated by spraying sodium at high rate for initial 872s.
- **Code modification** for CPU time comparison
 - ◆ Using "**CPU_TIME(x)**" FORTRAN subroutine - simple & primary, but robust method to measure CPU times
 - ◆ Basic logics only - unnecessary procedures were removed
- As a result, the **FAI correlation-based aerosol model** gives output **about 80 times faster** than the sectional method in the AB5 simulation
 - ◆ Both runs performed on the same PC with the 64-bit WINDOWS operating system on an Intel I7-7700 CPU
 - ◆ Simulation times = 300,000 s (for both runs)

Table 2: Modification for CPU time measurements (in both ISFRA & MAEROS codes)

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PROGRAM MAIN
-----
-----
call CPU_TIME(time1)
*****
*           *
* Calculation *
* Procedure  *
*           *
*****
call CPU_TIME(time2)
write(*,*) time2-time1
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STOP
END
    
```

	Stand-alone aerosol module of ISFRA code	MAEROS sectional model
Simulation condition	time_end = 3.0E+05 sec	28 particle size sections time_end = 3.0E+05 sec
CPU time	0.6250E-01 sec	0.5000E+01 sec

Conclusions

□ CONCLUSIONS

- Study on the **Transition Behavior of FAI Correlation-based Aerosol Model** between the Steady-state and Decaying Modes
 - ▶ Aerosol removal rate constants λ_{SED} as a function of time were extracted, and the transition behavior from steady-state to decaying mode was tracked.
 - ▶ This transition behavior was found to be controlled by the interpolation factor *FSEDDK*, which is the internal variable of ISFRA code.
- **CPU Time Comparison** between the AB5 Simulations by FAI Correlation-based Aerosol Model and by MAEROS Sectional Numerical Method
 - ▶ FAI correlation-based aerosol model gave output about 80 times faster than the MAEROS sectional method for the single-component aerosol analysis of the AB5 experiment.
- This is the final stage of the research series on FAI correlation-based aerosol model in the ISFRA code. The research results were summarized in the following **journal paper**.

Churl Yoon, Sung Il Kim, Sung Jin Lee, Seok Hun Kang, and Chan Y. Paik, "Validation of the correlation-based aerosol model in the ISFRA sodium-cooled fast reactor safety analysis code," *Nuclear Engineering and Technology*, Vol. 53, pp. 3966-3978, 2021.



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