

### 13. Appendix B.

Using dimensionless variables:

$$\xi = \frac{r}{R}, \quad (\text{B.1a})$$

$$\tau = \int_0^t \frac{D dt'}{R^2(t')}, \quad (\text{B.1b})$$

$$C = \frac{c}{c_0}, \quad (\text{B.1c})$$

where  $R$  is the radius of an elongated filament:

$$R = R_0 \cdot \exp(-\alpha \cdot t/2), \quad (\text{B.2})$$

one can rewrite equations (3.37) into simpler form:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial \tau} = \frac{1}{\xi} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \xi \cdot \frac{\partial C}{\partial \xi} \right), \quad (\text{B.3a})$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial C}{\partial \xi} \right|_{\xi=0} = 0, \quad (\text{B.3b}) \quad C(\xi \rightarrow +\infty, \tau) = 0, \quad (\text{B.3c})$$

$$C(\xi, 0) = \begin{cases} f(R_0 \cdot \xi) & \xi \leq 1 \\ 0 & 1 > \xi \end{cases}, \quad (\text{B.3d})$$

Hankel's transformation of the order zero

$$\bar{C}(\sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{H}\{C(\xi, \tau)\} = \int_0^\infty C(\xi, \tau) \cdot J_0(\xi \cdot \sigma) \cdot \xi d\xi, \quad (\text{B.4})$$

when applied to equations (B.3) yields:

$$\frac{d\bar{C}(\sigma, \tau)}{d\tau} + \sigma^2 \cdot \bar{C}(\sigma, \tau) = 0. \quad (\text{B.5})$$

Symbol  $J_0$  in definition (B.4) represents the first kind Bessel function of the order zero.

Solution of equation (B.5) has the following form:

$$\bar{C}(\sigma, \tau) = \bar{C}(\sigma, 0) \cdot \exp(-\tau \sigma^2). \quad (\text{B.6})$$

The inverse Hankel's transform is given by:

$$C(\xi, \tau) = \mathcal{H}^{-1}\{\bar{C}(\sigma, \tau)\} = \int_0^\infty \bar{C}(\sigma, \tau) \cdot J_0(\xi \cdot \sigma) \cdot \sigma d\sigma. \quad (\text{B.7})$$

To find the inverse transform of function (B.6) one can use of the Parseval theorem [89]:

$$\int_0^\infty P(\sigma) \cdot Q(\sigma) \cdot \sigma d\sigma = \int_0^\infty p(\eta) \cdot q(\eta) \cdot \eta d\eta, \quad (\text{B.8})$$

where  $P(\sigma)=\mathcal{H}\{p(\eta)\}$  and  $Q(\sigma)=\mathcal{H}\{q(\eta)\}$ . The theorem (B.8) allows to write

$$\begin{aligned} C(\xi, \tau) &= \int_0^\infty \bar{C}(\sigma, 0) \cdot e^{-\tau \sigma^2} \cdot J_0(\xi \cdot \sigma) \cdot \sigma d\sigma = \\ &= \int_0^\infty C(\eta, 0) \cdot \mathcal{H}^{-1}\{e^{-\tau \sigma^2} \cdot J_0(\xi \cdot \sigma)\} \cdot \eta d\eta . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.9})$$

Thanks to the integral formula valid for  $\gamma > 0$  [90]:

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-\gamma \sigma^2} \cdot J_0(a \cdot \sigma) \cdot J_0(b \cdot \sigma) \cdot \sigma d\sigma = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \gamma} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{a^2 + b^2}{4 \cdot \gamma}\right) \cdot I_0\left(\frac{a \cdot b}{2 \cdot \gamma}\right) , \quad (\text{B.10})$$

where  $I_0$  is the modified Bessel function of the order zero:

$$I_0(z) = J_0(z \cdot e^{-i\pi/2}) \quad (\text{B.11})$$

the inverse transform of function  $\exp(-\sigma^2 \tau) \cdot J_0(\xi \cdot \sigma)$  reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}^{-1}\{e^{-\tau \sigma^2} \cdot J_0(\xi \cdot \sigma)\} &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\tau \sigma^2} \cdot J_0(\xi \cdot \sigma) \cdot J_0(\eta \cdot \sigma) \sigma d\sigma = \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \cdot \tau} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{4 \cdot \tau}\right) \cdot I_0\left(\frac{\xi \cdot \eta}{2 \cdot \tau}\right) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.12})$$

Finally, combining equations (B.3c), (B.9) and (B.12) results in:

$$C(\xi, \tau) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \tau} \cdot \int_0^1 f(R_0 \cdot \eta) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\xi^2 + \eta^2}{4 \cdot \tau}\right) \cdot I_0\left(\frac{\xi \cdot \eta}{2 \cdot \tau}\right) \cdot \eta d\eta . \quad (\text{B.13})$$

Returning to the original variables one receives:

$$c(r, t) = \frac{\alpha}{2 \cdot D \cdot (e^{\alpha t} - 1)} \cdot \int_0^{R_0} \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha}{4 \cdot D} \cdot \frac{r^2 \cdot e^{\alpha t} + u^2}{e^{\alpha t} - 1}\right) \cdot I_0\left(\frac{\alpha}{2 \cdot D} \cdot \frac{u \cdot r \cdot e^{\alpha t/2}}{e^{\alpha t} - 1}\right) \cdot f(u) \cdot u du . \quad (\text{B.14})$$