

# Effect of Stokes Number on Turbulent Fluid-Solid Flows



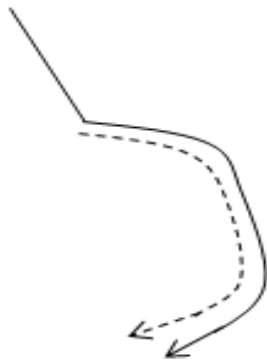
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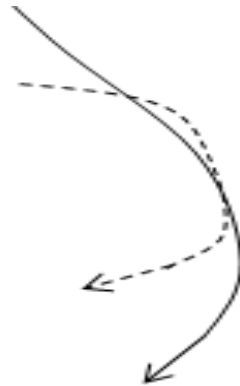
# Fluid-Solid Flows

Viscous Flow  
Regime



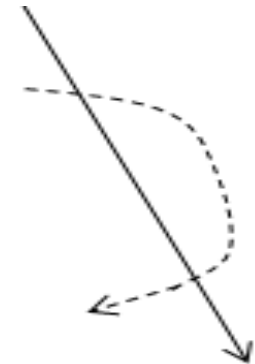
$ST < 5$

Transitional  
Regime



$5 < ST < 40$

Inertia Flow  
Regime



$ST > 40$

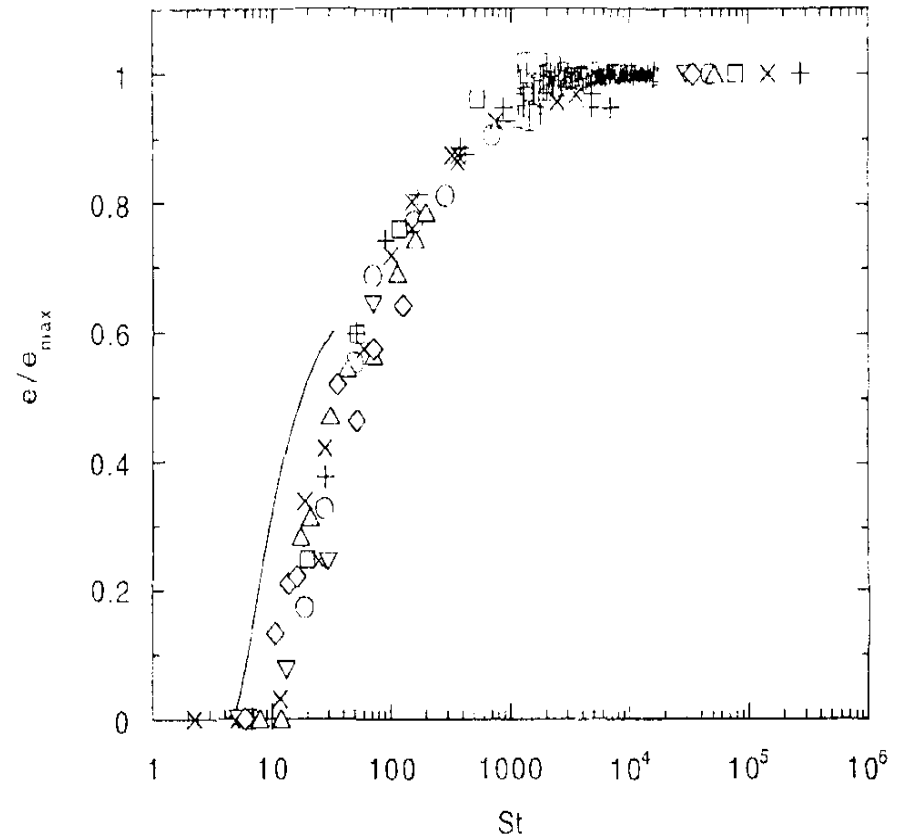
$$\text{Stokes \#} = \frac{\text{Solid Response time}}{\text{Fluid Response time}} = \left( \frac{\rho_s d^2}{18 \mu_f} \right) / \left( \frac{D}{V_{fzcl}} \right)$$

# Effect of St on Coefficient of Restitution

$$\frac{e_f}{e_s} = f(St)$$

$$St = \frac{\rho_s d_p v_{imp}}{9\mu_f}$$

- $\rho_s$  = particle density
- $d_p$  = particle diameter
- $V_{imp}$  = impact velocity
- $\mu_f$  = fluid viscosity



Ratio of  $e_f/e_s$  as a function of  $St$  (Gondret *et al.*, 2002 and Joseph *et al.*, 2001)

# Motivation

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- Good amount of available data and modeling in inertia-dominated regime
  - Particle sizes  $> 100$  microns in gas-solid flow
  - Many models available but there is no consensus
- Modeling in viscous-flow regime and some experimental data

Low Re, neutrally-buoyant suspensions

(Koh *et al.* 1994; Averbakh *et al.* 1997; Morris and Brady, 1998)

# Motivation

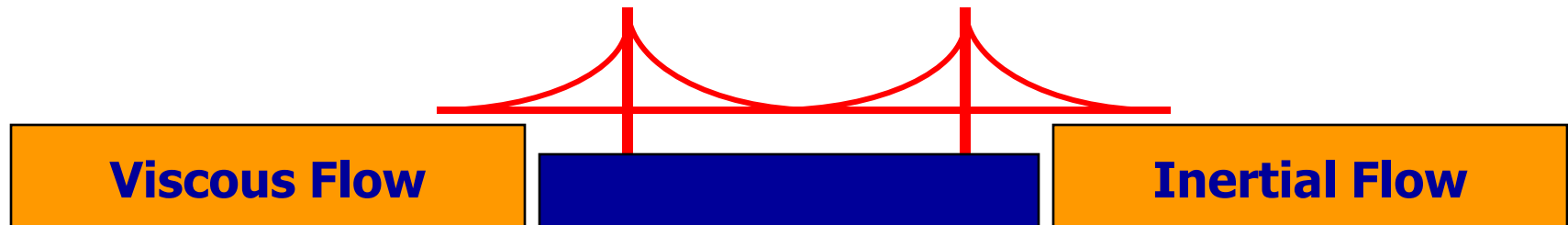
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## Transitional regime:

Group A particles in gas-solid flows  
Heterogeneous slurry flows

*Particle-particle interactions but particle fluctuations are significantly affected by interstitial fluid*

Significant lack of detailed, non-intrusive data (*mean and fluctuating velocity for both phases*) in the transitional flow regime for model development and validation



# Applications

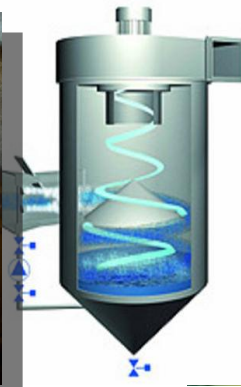
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Numerous fossil fuel and energy applications

Work directly addresses Section 3 on Liquid-Solid Flows of DOE Multiphase Flow Roadmap (e.g. Fischer-Tropsch synthesis) and also addresses Sections 1 and 2 on Gas-Solid Flow regimes for intermediate Stokes numbers

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Prediction of the critical settling velocities in slurry lines, improvement in design of new lines and operating conditions on existing lines



# Dilute, Turbulent Gas-Solid Flows

# Eulerian Two-Fluid Model

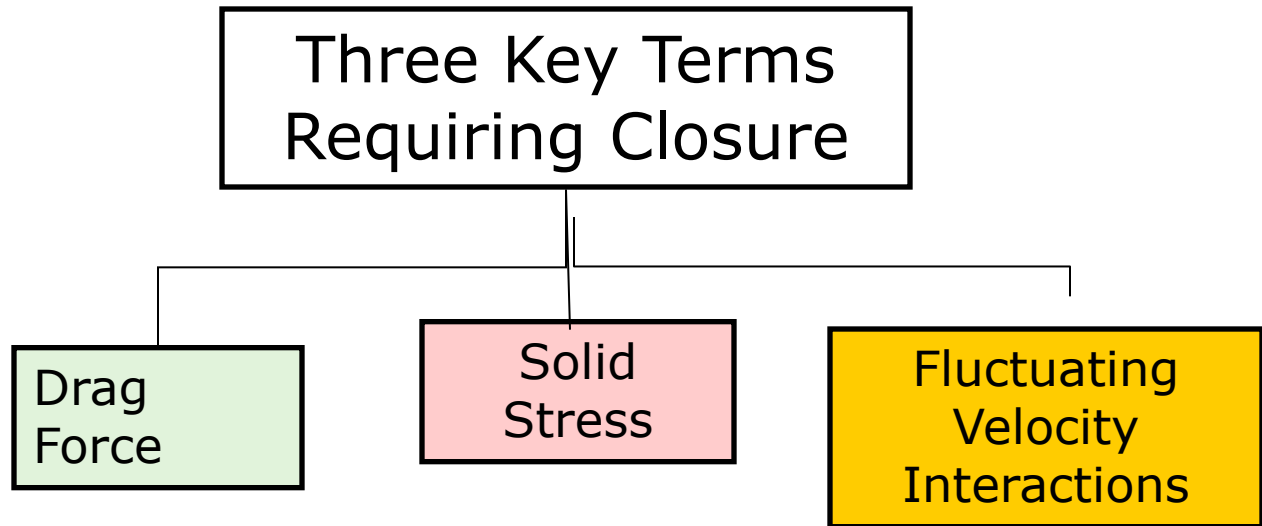
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- For inertia-dominated flow regime
  - Particle-particle/particle-wall interactions dominate details of particle motion
  - Granular kinetic theory is used to describe the velocity fluctuations associated with these interactions
  - Gas turbulence  $k$ - $\epsilon$  turbulence model



# Two-Fluid Model Closures

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## □ Gas-Phase Turbulence – k-ε Model

$$\rho_g(1-\nu)\left[\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + V_g \cdot \nabla k\right] = -\nabla \cdot [(1-\nu)\mu_{gk}^t \nabla k] + G_k - \varepsilon + \boxed{I_k} \leftarrow$$

$$\rho_g(1-\nu)\left[\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} + V_g \cdot \nabla \varepsilon\right] = -\nabla \cdot [(1-\nu)\mu_{g\varepsilon}^t \nabla \varepsilon] + c_1 G_k \frac{\varepsilon}{k} - c_2 \frac{\varepsilon^2}{k} + \boxed{c_3 I_k} \leftarrow$$

Unsteady+Convection = Diffusion + Generation - Dissipation + Interaction

$$\rho_s \nu \left[ \frac{\partial E_T}{\partial t} + V_s \cdot \nabla E_T \right] = \boxed{-\nabla \cdot [\lambda \nabla T] + G_T - \gamma} + \boxed{I_T} \leftarrow$$

Interaction  
Terms

Solid Stress

## □ Granular Energy Balance

# Interaction Terms & Fluctuation Velocity Cross-Correlation

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$$I_k = -\beta(1-\nu)(2k - k_{sg})$$

$$I_T = \beta(1-\nu)(k_{sg} - 3T)$$

## □ Time and Volume Based Averaging (TVBA)

$$2k = (\overline{v_g' \cdot v_g'}); \quad 3T = (\overline{v_s' \cdot v_s'}); \quad k_{sg} = (\overline{v_g' \cdot v_s'})$$

# Summary of Closure Models

Drag Force ( $F_D$ )	Solid Stress ( $\mu_s, \lambda_s, Y$ )	Interaction Term ( $I_k, I_T$ )	Cross - Correlation ( $k_{sg}$ )
Wen & Yu (1966) Syamlal & O'Brien (1987) Hill <i>et al.</i> (2001)	Lun <i>et al.</i> (1984) Peirano & Leckner (1998)	TVBA	Louge <i>et al.</i> (1991) Koch & Sangani (1999) Wylie <i>et al.</i> (2003) Simonin (1996) Sinclair & Mallo (1998)

## Comprehensive Evaluation of All Closure Models

A. Rao, J. Curtis, B. Hancock, and C. Wassgren, "Numerical Simulation and Validation of a Dilute Turbulent Gas-Particle Flow Model with Turbulence Modulation", *AIChE Journal*, in press (2011)

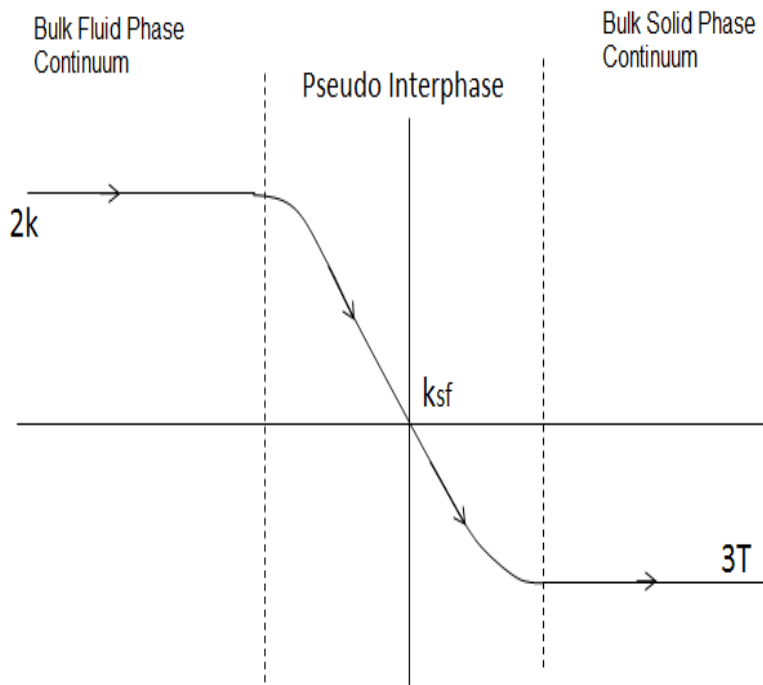
# Fluctuation Energy Transfer (FET)

New Model for Fluctuating Velocity Interaction (*AIChE Journal*, 2011, in press)

Based on heat transfer analogy

Energy transfer occurs due to particle drag or particle collisions

Fluid turbulence enhancement and dissipation



$$I_k = -\frac{\rho_g}{\tau_{sg}}(2k - k_{sg})$$

$$I_T = \frac{\rho_g}{\tau_{sg}}(k_{sg} - 3T)$$

$\tau_{sg}$  = time scale for FET

For particles with  $40 < St < 100$

$\tau_{sg}$  = Drag time scale

For particles with  $St > 100$

$\tau_{sg}$  = Collisional time scale

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# Dilute-Phase Gas-Solid Data

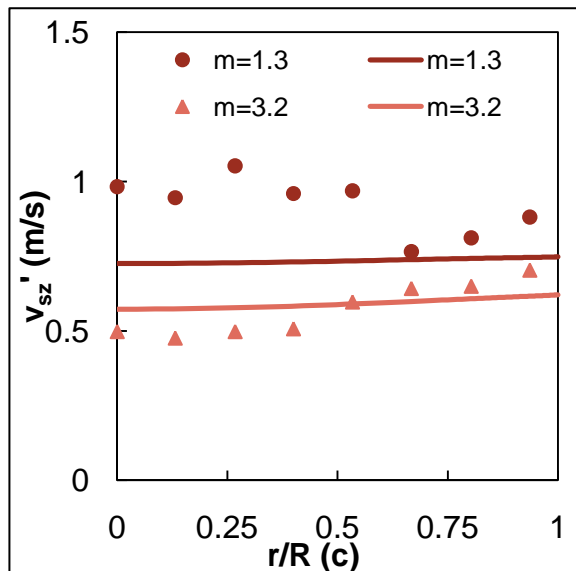
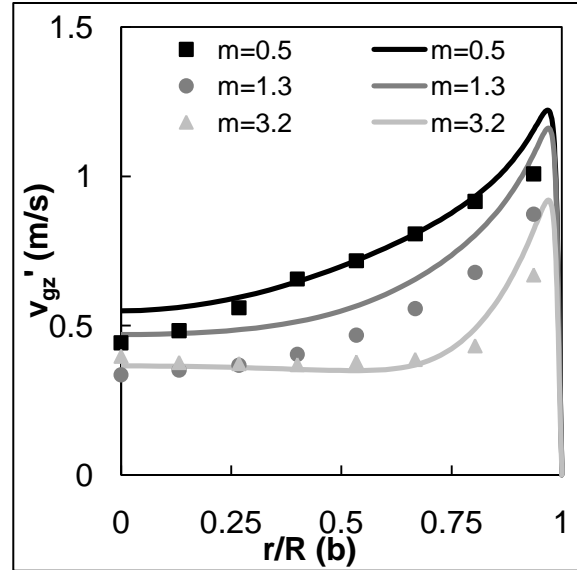
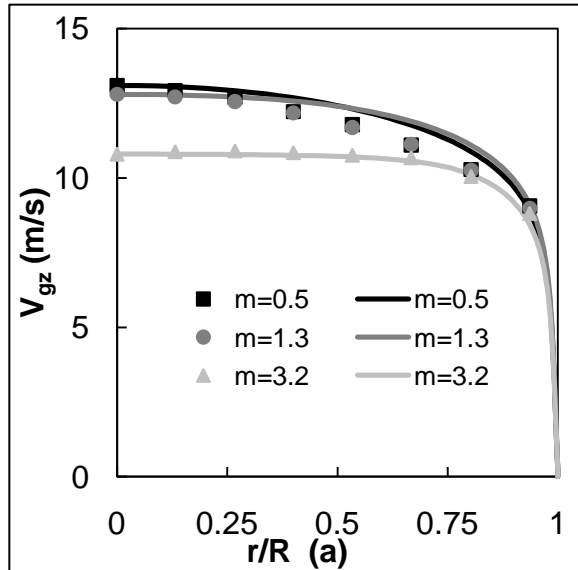
## Inertia Regime

Experimental Data	Size	Density	$\sim Re_p$	$\sim Stokes$
	$\mu m$	$kg/m^3$	No.	No.
Tsuji <i>et al.</i> (1984)	243	1020	45	75
	500	1020	130	320
	1420	1030	730	2700
	2780	1020	1800	11300
Jones <i>et al</i> (2001)	70	2529	12	50
Lee and Durst (1982)	400	2500	90	170
	100	2500	5	120
Sheen <i>et al.</i> (1993)	275	1020	30	40
	450	1020	85	115
	800	1020	220	380

Models employ granular kinetic theory to describe particle velocity fluctuations when  $St > 40$

# New Model – Data of Tsuji *et al.* (1984), 200 $\mu\text{m}$

Dilute Gas-Solid Flow Through a Vertical Pipe St~65



For this case,

- $\tau_{sg}$  = Drag time scale

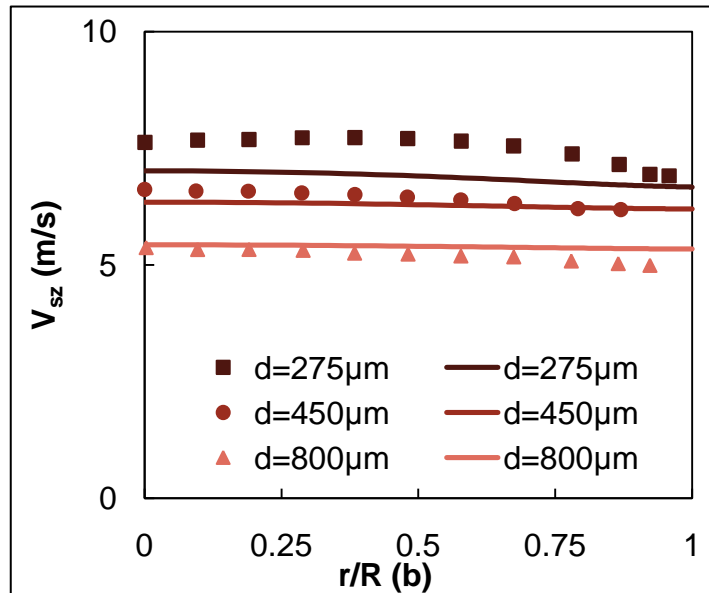
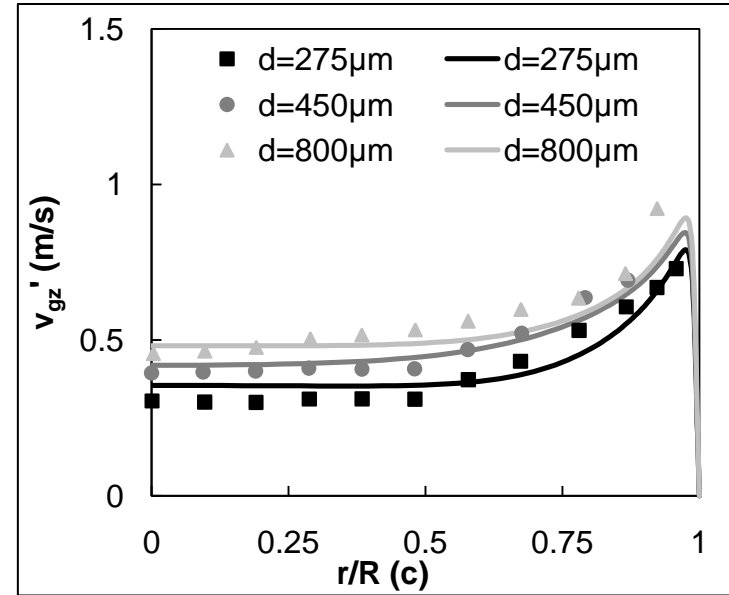
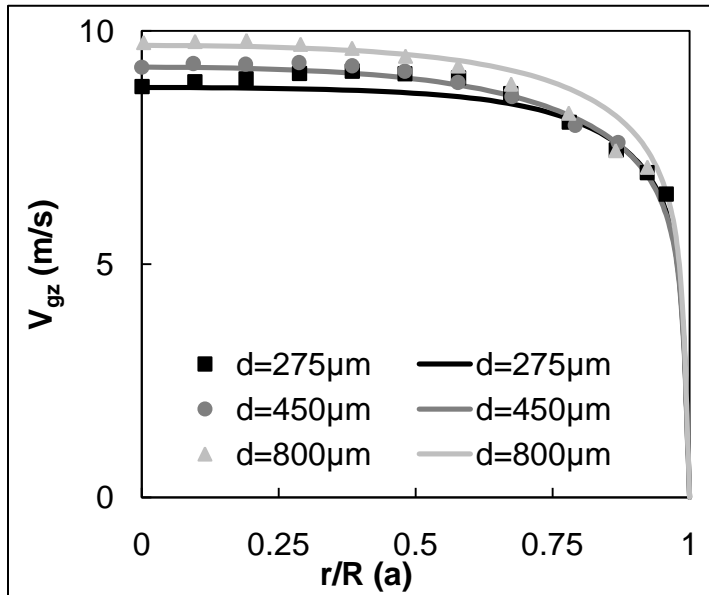
Wen & Yu Drag Force

Peirano & Leckner Solids Stress

New Fluctuating Energy Transfer Model



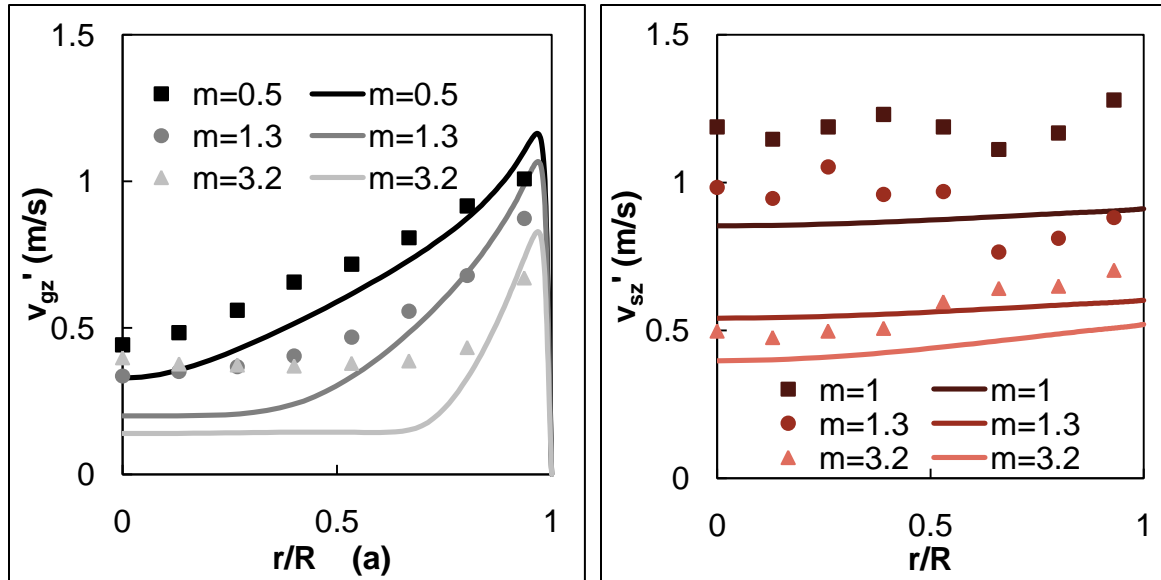
# New Model– Data of Sheen *et al.* (1993)



Large range of particle sizes

# Effect of Using Koch (1990) Type Models for Cross-Correlation

TVBA+ Koch (1990) model – Tsuji *et al.*, 200 $\mu$ m



$$k_{sg} \sim |V_g - V_s|^2 \frac{\tau_c}{\tau_D}$$

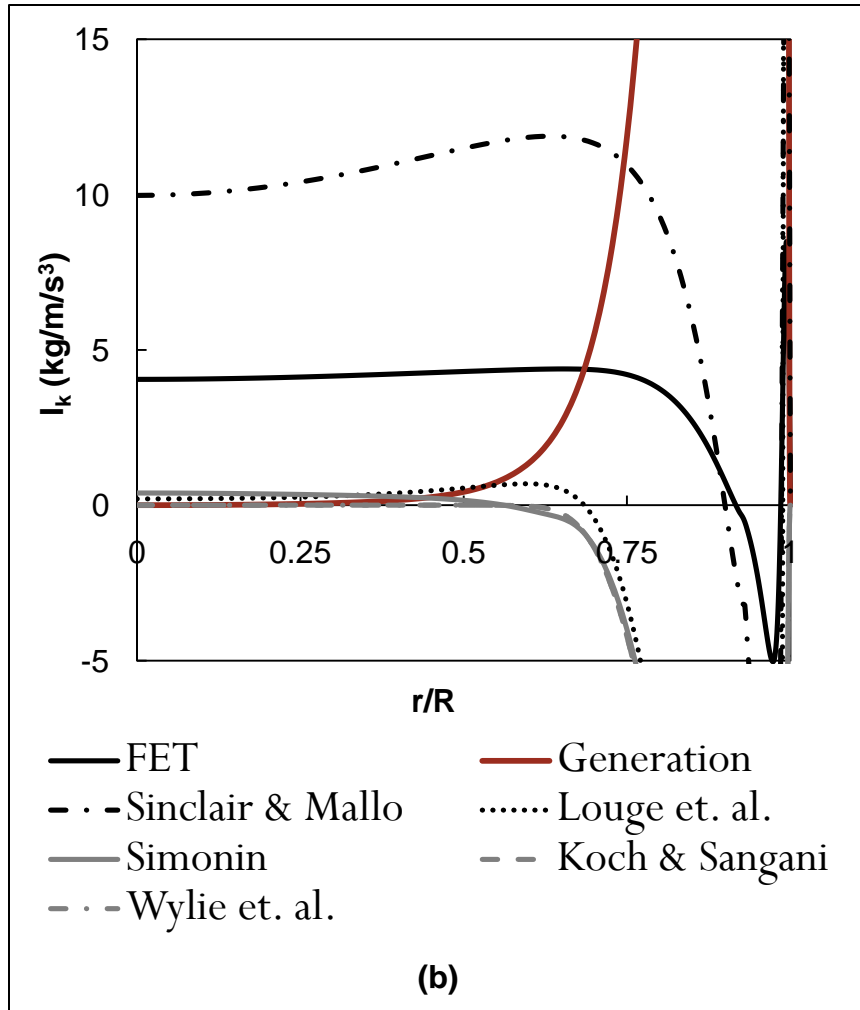
$\tau_D$  relates  $k_{sg}$  to drag

$\tau_c$  relates  $k_{sg}$  to  $T^{0.5}$

$I_k$  is too small

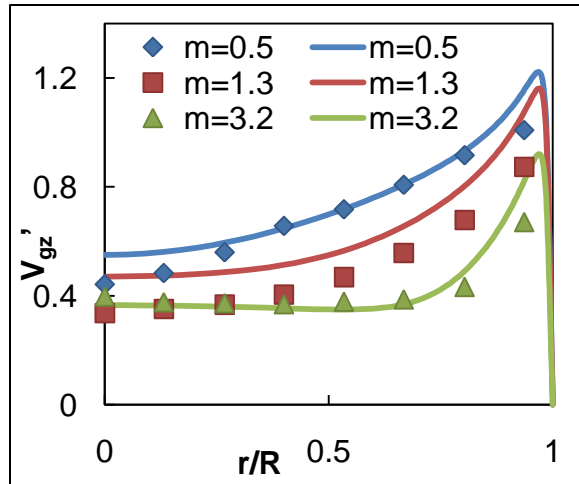
# Comparison of Fluctuating Interaction

Tsuji *et al.*,  $d=200\mu\text{m}$ ,  $m=3.2$

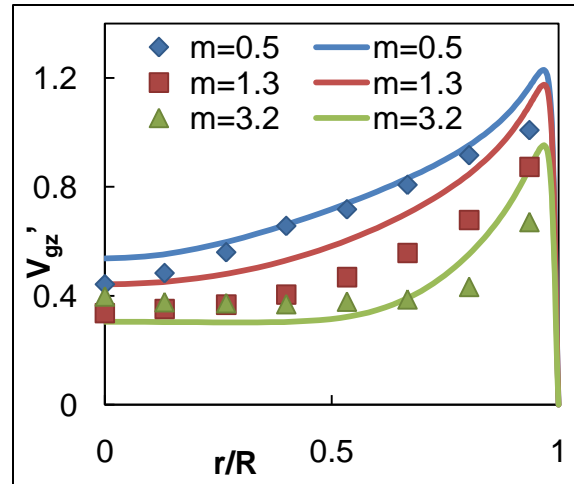


- Generation is small at pipe core
- $I_k$  term can dominate there
- For most models
  - **Generation  $\sim$  Interaction** at the core of the pipe

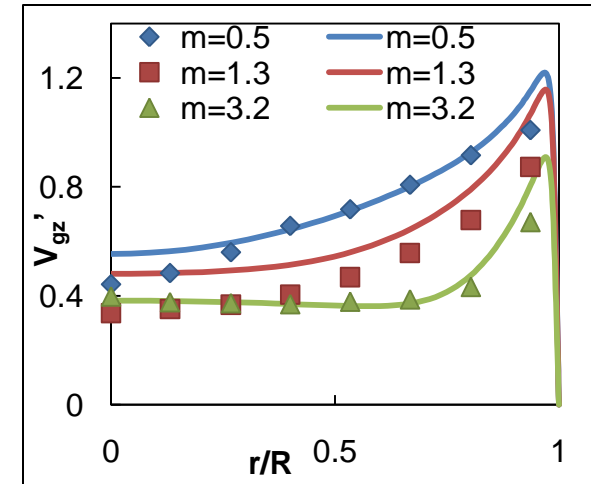
# Different Drag Force Relations Data of Tsuji *et al.*, 200 $\mu\text{m}$



Wen & Yu (1966)



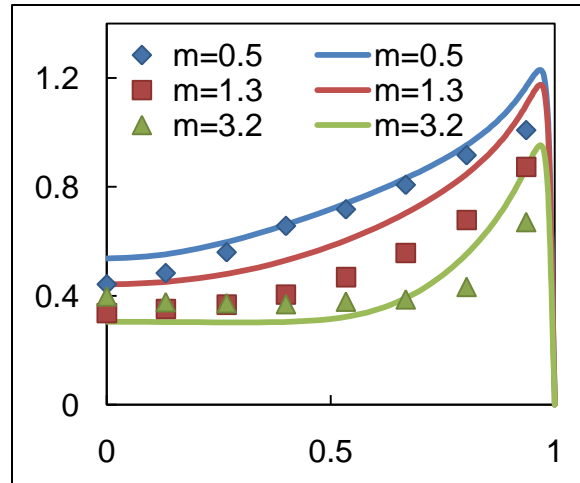
Hill *et al.* (2001)



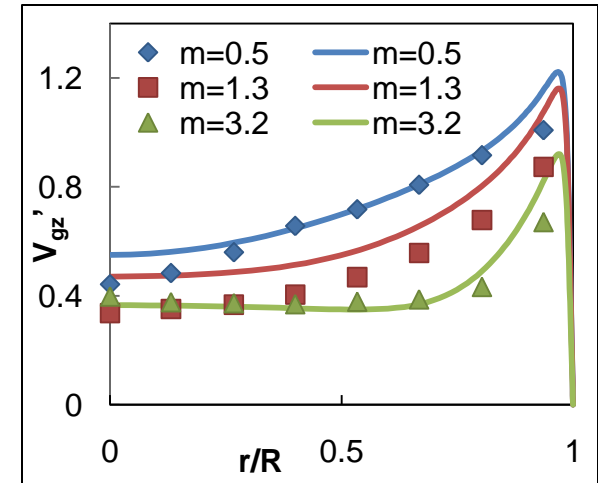
Syamlal & O'Brien (1987)

Changing the **Drag Model** has little effect on flow predictions

# Different Solid Stress Descriptions Tsuji *et al.*, 200 $\mu\text{m}$



Lun *et al.* (1984) neglects  
fluid effects



Peirano & Leckner (1998)  
incorporates fluid effects

Changing the **Solid Stress Description** has  
little effect on flow predictions in gas-solid flow

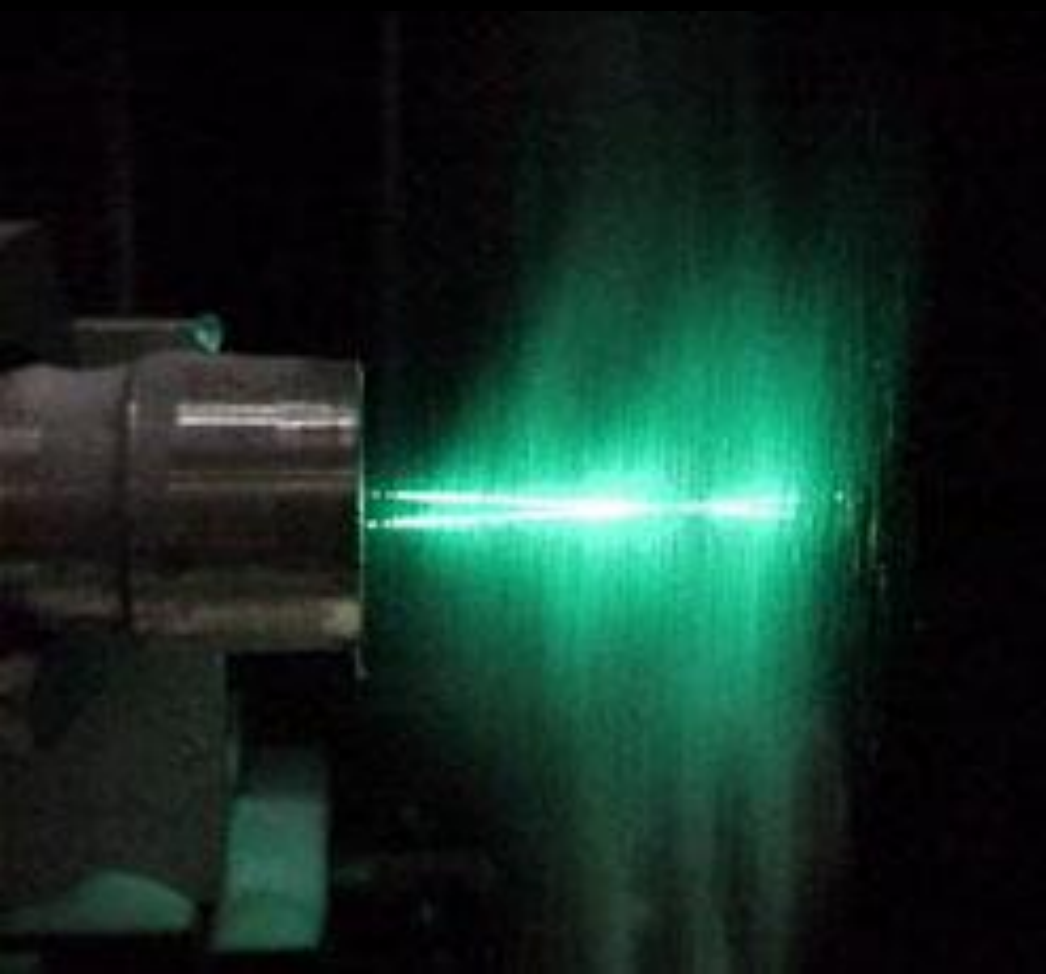
# Dilute, Turbulent Liquid-Solid Flows

# Experimental Setup

- Pilot-scale slurry flow facility in the UF Particle Science and Technology Building high bay area
- Non-intrusive flow measurements via LDV/PDPA
- Can accommodate a wide range of flowrates, particle sizes and solids concentrations



# EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUE: LASER DOPPLER VELOCIMETRY



Non-intrusive laser based  
technique

Allows for the instantaneous and  
average velocity measurement of  
fluid (via seed) and particles

Measures refractive light from  
particles in the flow and relates it  
to velocity – sizing from the  
Phase Doppler capability



# LDV/PDPA

2-D backscatter with  $\sim 250, 500, 750$  mm focal length

Movement controlled by traversing mechanism with accuracy of  $1/10,000$  inch

Approach distance to wall:  $r/R \sim 0.97$

Seed:

Filtered tap water: matter  $< 5 \mu\text{m}$  or  
10 micron hollow glass beads

# Experimental Setup

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- L/D before entering test section  $> 50$
- Test section L/D  $> 10$  (two sets of measurements)
- $D/d > 50$
- Fully-developed and axisymmetric flow verified for both single and two-phase flows
- Re range limited by minimum conveying velocity at low end and splashing at high end
- Explore range of St by varying flow velocity, solids fraction and particle size
- Index of refraction matching for dense-phase flow

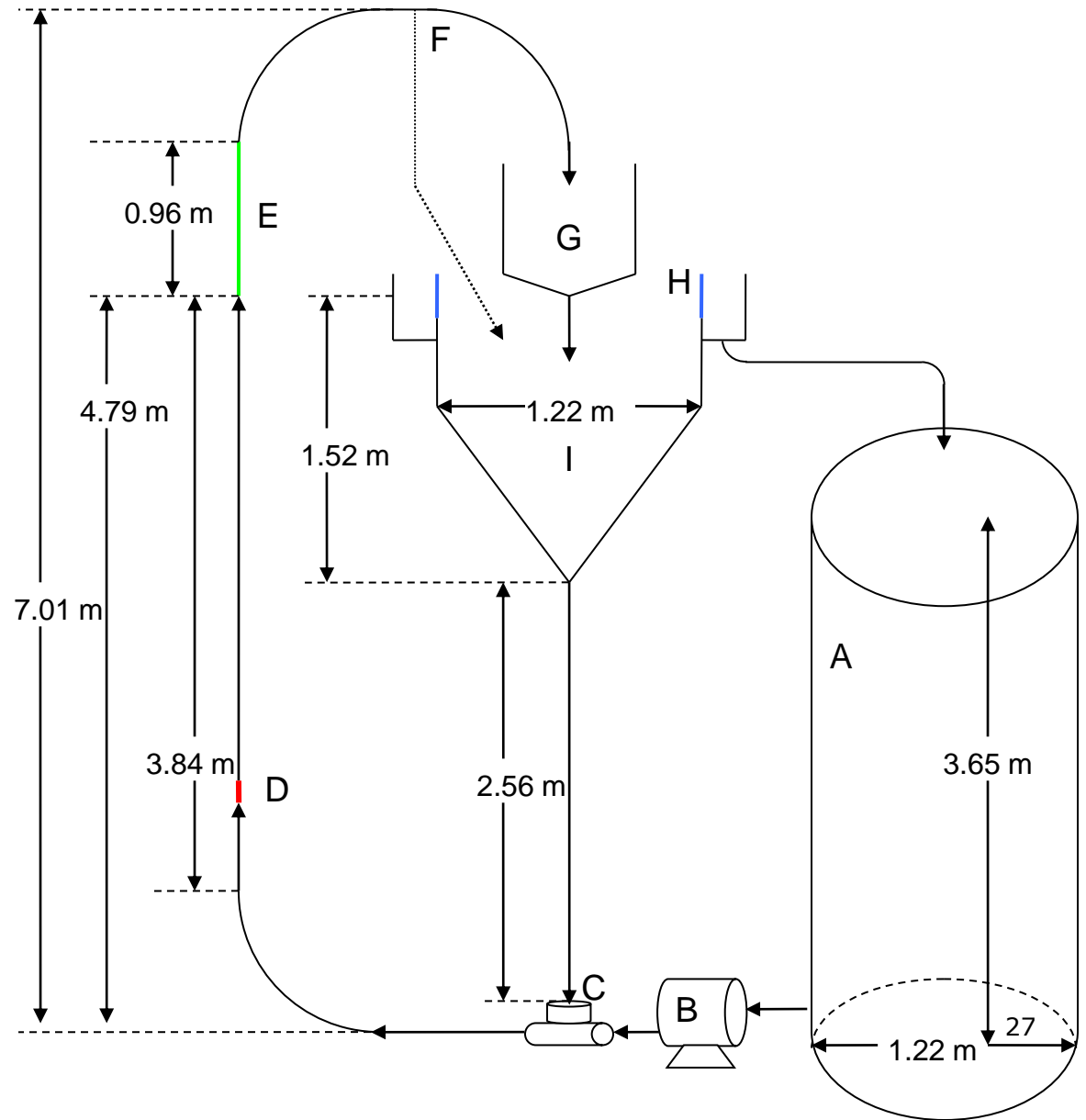
# Experimental Setup

**Pipe Diameter = 3 in.**

- **Glass Particles:**
  - **0.5mm,  $St < 5$  (Viscous)**
  - **1mm,  $5 < St < 10$  (Transitional)**
  - **1.5mm,  $10 < St < 30$  (Transitional)**
  - **2.3mm,  $St > 40$  (Inertia)**  
(Alajbegovic *et al.*, 1994)

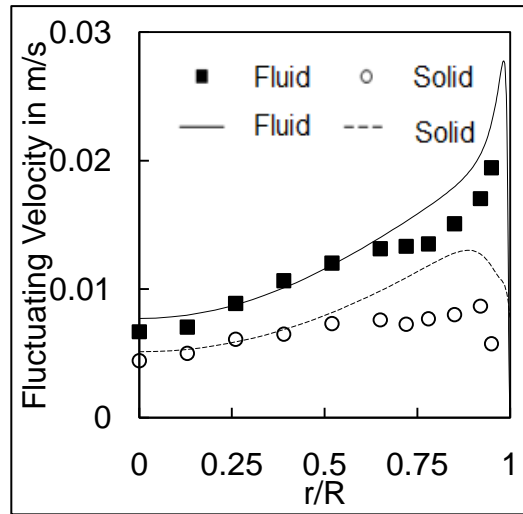
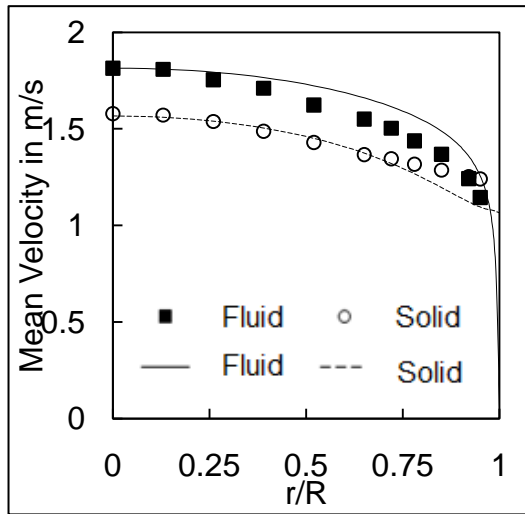
- **Reynolds Number:**
  - **$2 \times 10^5$ ,  $3.35 \times 10^5$ ,  $5 \times 10^5$**

27 sets of operating conditions



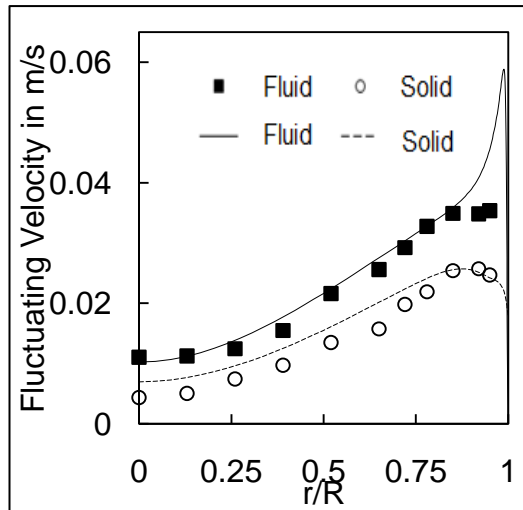
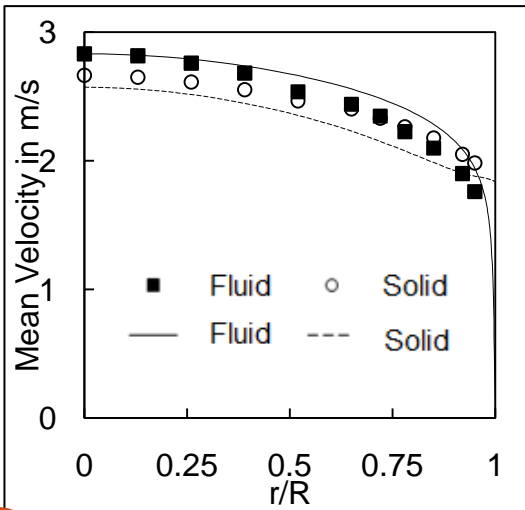
# $St > 40$      2.32mm glass beads (Alajbegovic *et al.*, 1994)

$$V_{fzcl} = 1.81 \text{ m/s}, m = 0.055, St = 43$$



**Inertia-Dominated Flow**  
Same model as for gas-solid flow

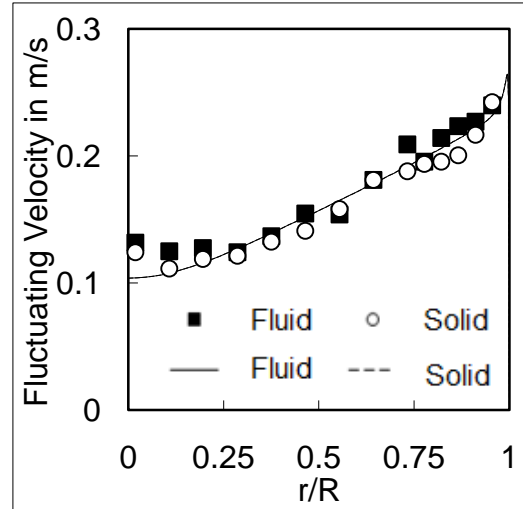
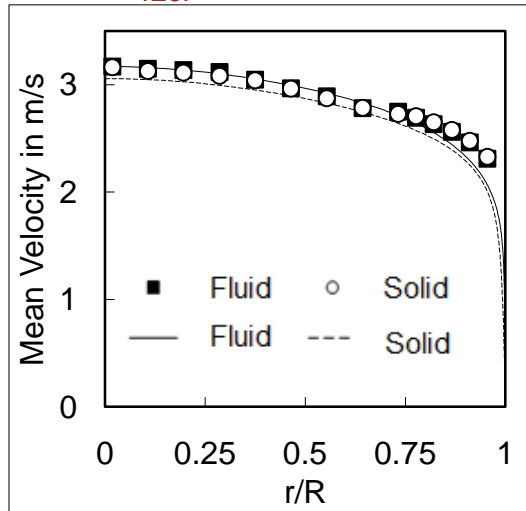
$$V_{fzcl} = 2.83 \text{ m/s}, m = 0.067, St = 68$$



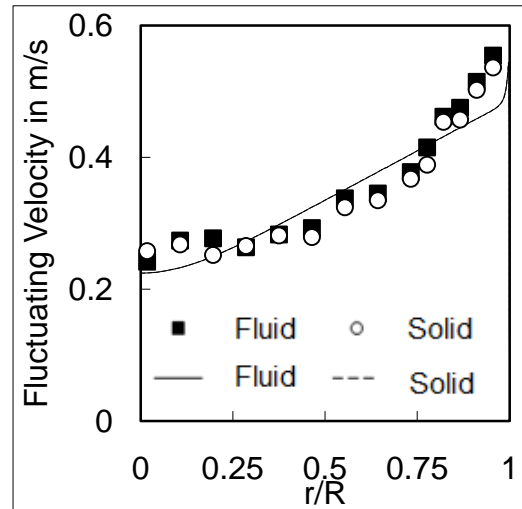
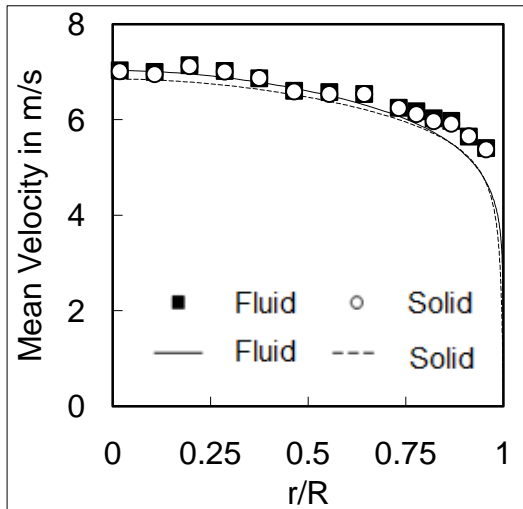
# $St \sim 1$

# 0.5 mm glass beads

$V_{fzcl} = 3.17 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $m = 0.0425$ ,  $St = 1.4$

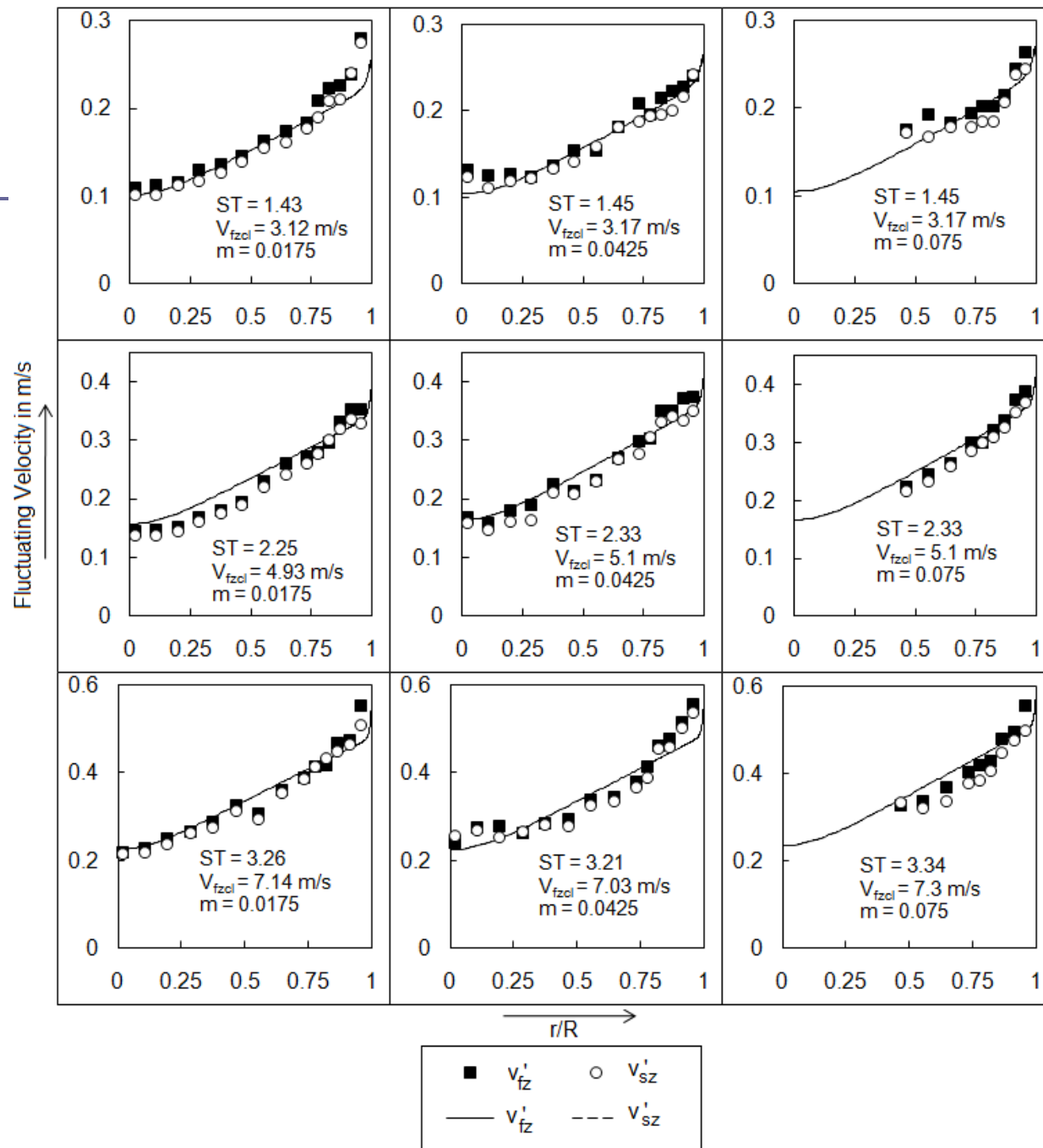


$V_{fzcl} = 7.03 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $m = 0.0425$ ,  $St = 3.2$



## Viscous-Dominated Flow Model of Chen & Wood (1985)

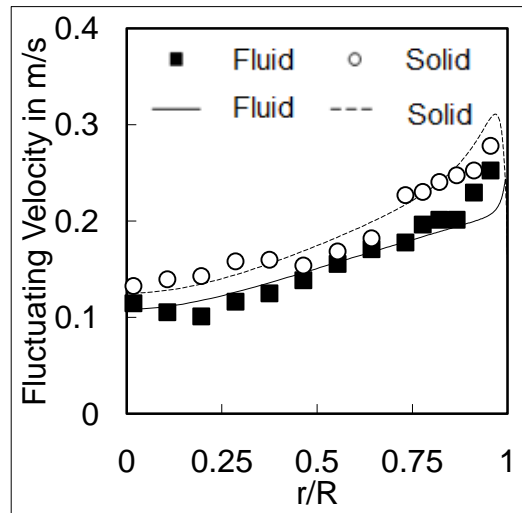
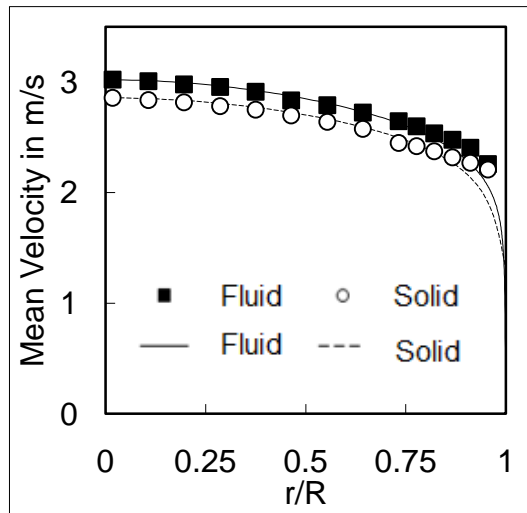
- Negligible relative mean velocity between the two phases
- Solid velocity fluctuations similar to fluid velocity fluctuations
- Direct relationship between solids viscosity and fluid viscosity
- Kinetic theory of granular flow not a good description for the solid-phase stress
- Number density issues associated with LDV measurements even for 3-4% solids fraction



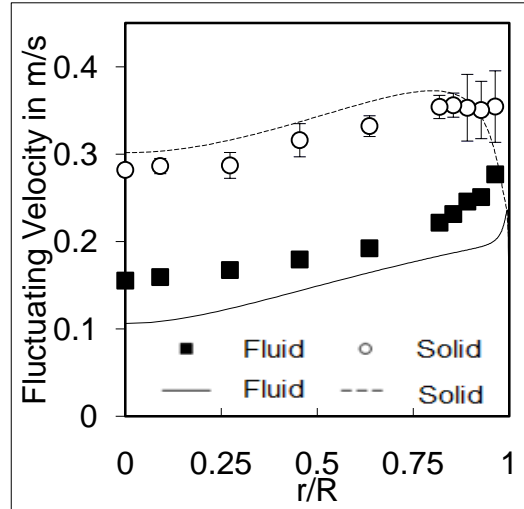
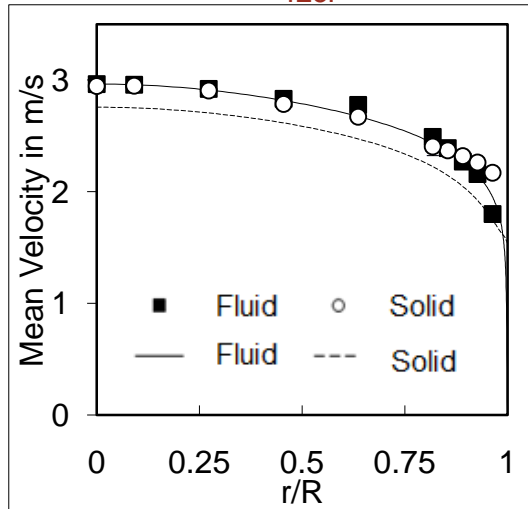
$St \sim 5-30$

1mm and 1.5mm glass beads

$d = 1 \text{ mm}$ ,  $V_{fzcl} = 3.02 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $m = 0.0425$ ,  $St = 6$

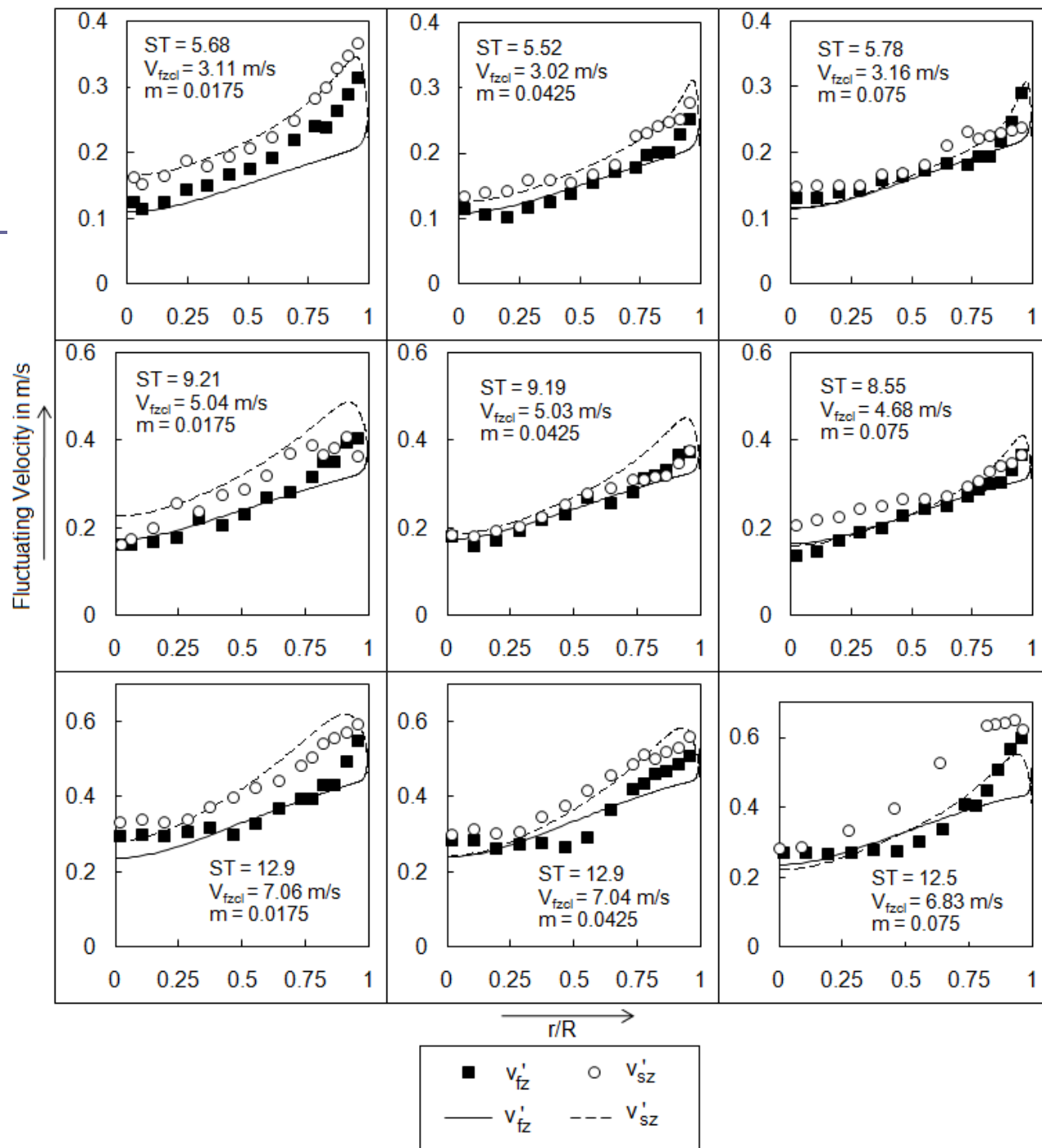


$d = 1.5 \text{ mm}$ ,  $V_{fzcl} = 2.96 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $m = 0.0425$ ,  $St = 13$

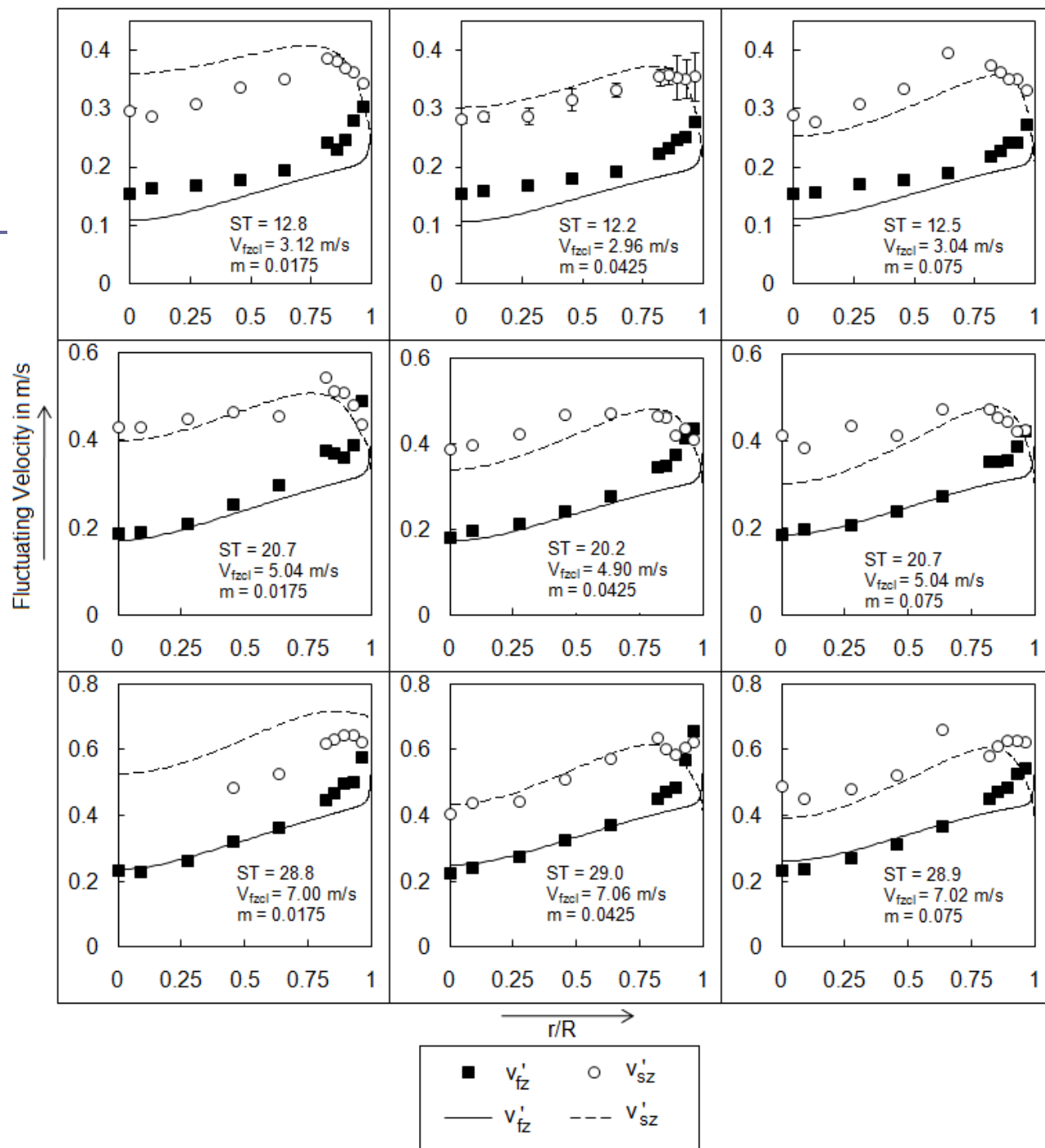


## Transitional Flow

- Relative mean velocity increases with increasing  $St$
- Solid fluctuations increase with increasing  $St$
- Bridge model for solid-phase stress based on  $St$  weighting
- Fluctuating velocity correlation – time scale following observed experimental trends with  $Re$ ,  $d$ , and solids loading







# Summary

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- New model for fluctuating velocity interactions
  - Model development for transition regime
  - Detailed, non-intrusive data for range of  $St$
  - Homogeneous flow conditions at lower  $St$  numbers
  - Solid velocity fluctuations increase and become independent of fluid fluctuations with increasing  $St$
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# Next Steps

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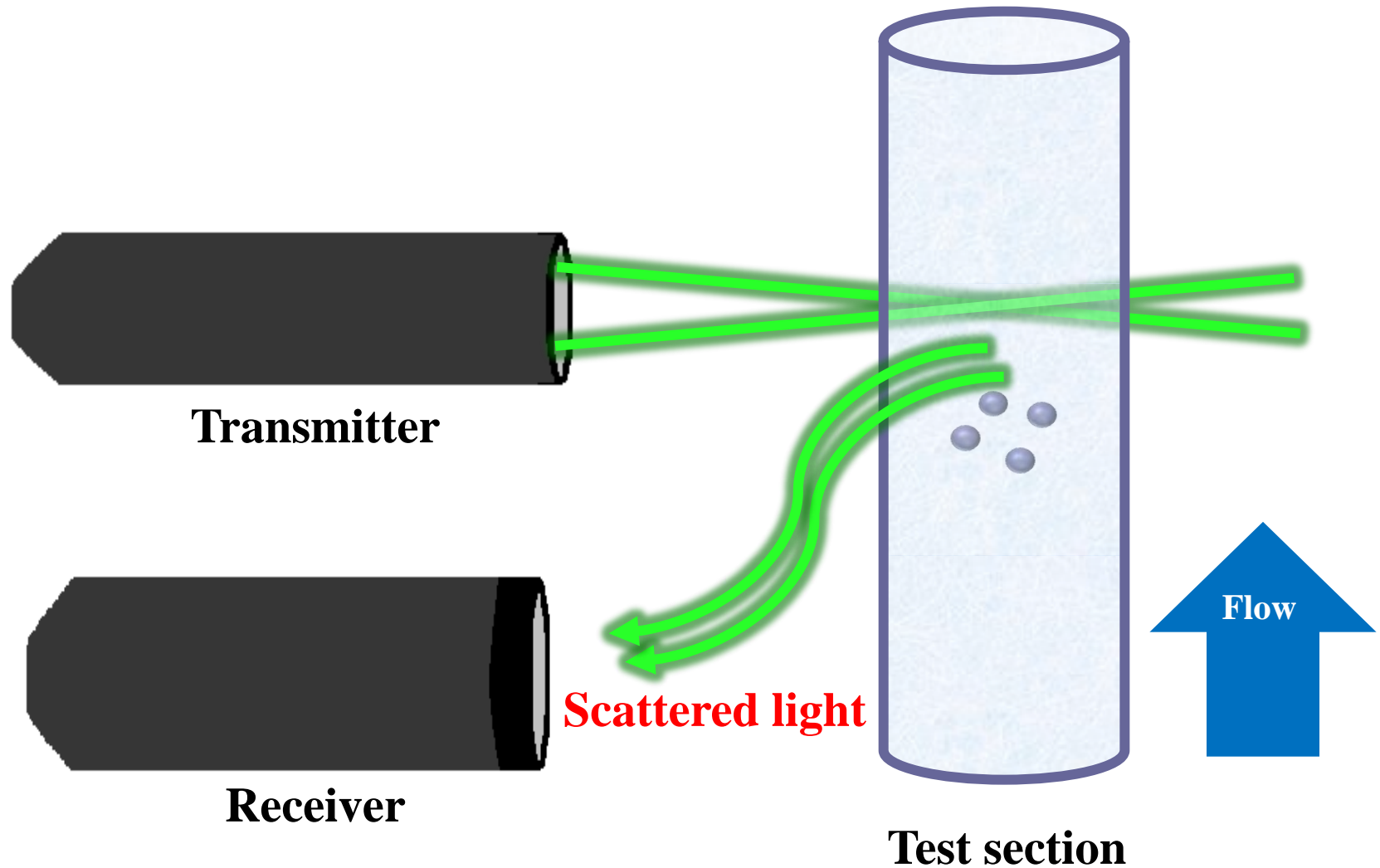
- ❑ Fluid and solid velocity data with 2mm glass beads ( $25 < St < 45$ )
- ❑ Non-spherical particles
- ❑ Dense-phase fluid-solid flow

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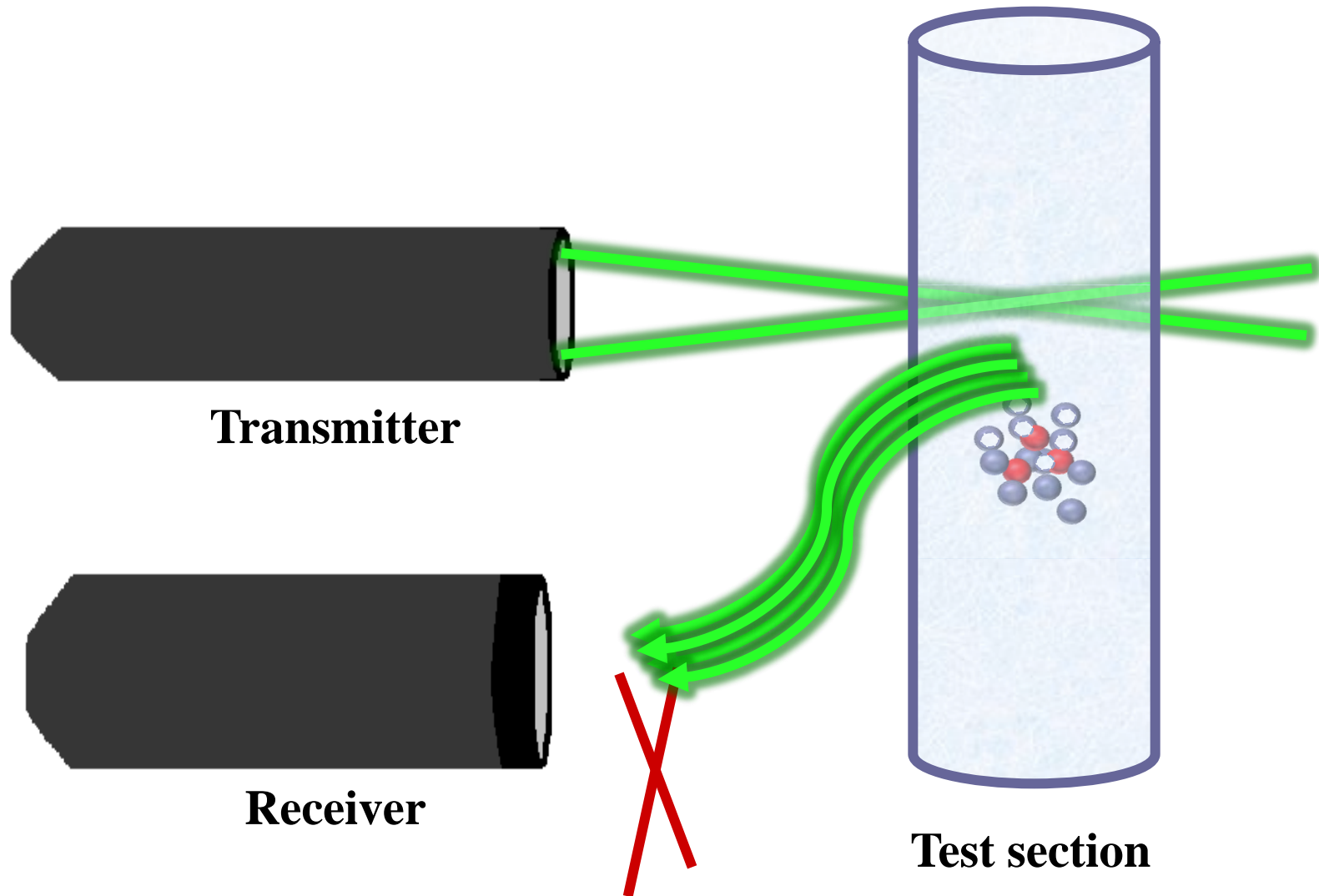
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**Low Re, neutrally-buoyant suspensions**

# LDV: DILUTE-PHASE OPERATION



# LDV: DENSE-PHASE OPERATION



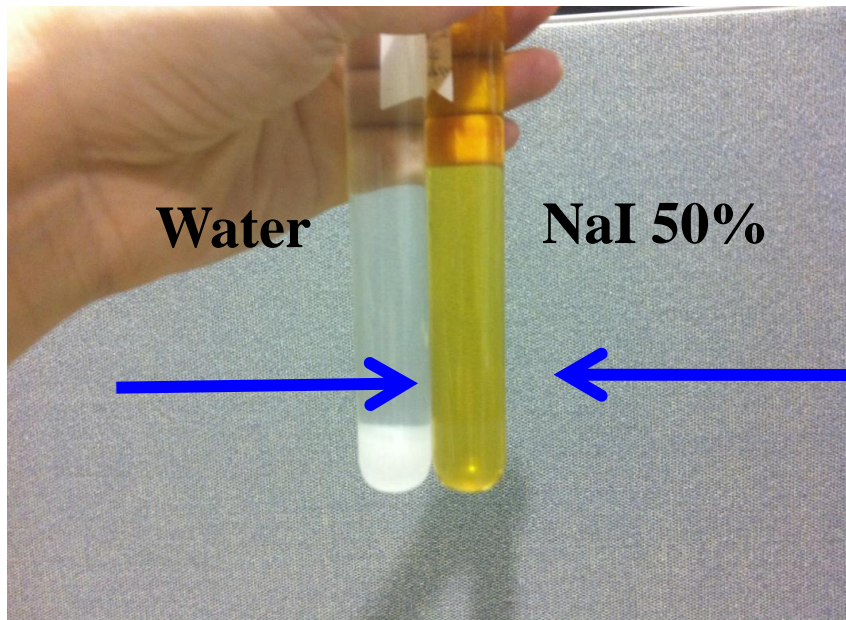
# REFRACTIVE INDEX MATCHED SYSTEM - Candidates

Fluid (all percentage w/w)	Particles
Sodium iodide solution 60%	PMMA
Sodium iodide solution 54.5-55%	Pyrex glass
Sodium iodide solution 50%	Silica gel
Zinc chloride solution 50%	Fused silica
Penreco Drakeol	Fused quartz
Glycerin 37.1% NaCl 15% water 47.9%	Silicone rubber
Calcium chloride solution 30%	Silicone elastomer
Aqueous sucrose solution	Silicone elastomer
Olive oil	Pyrex glass
Soybean oil	Pyrex glass
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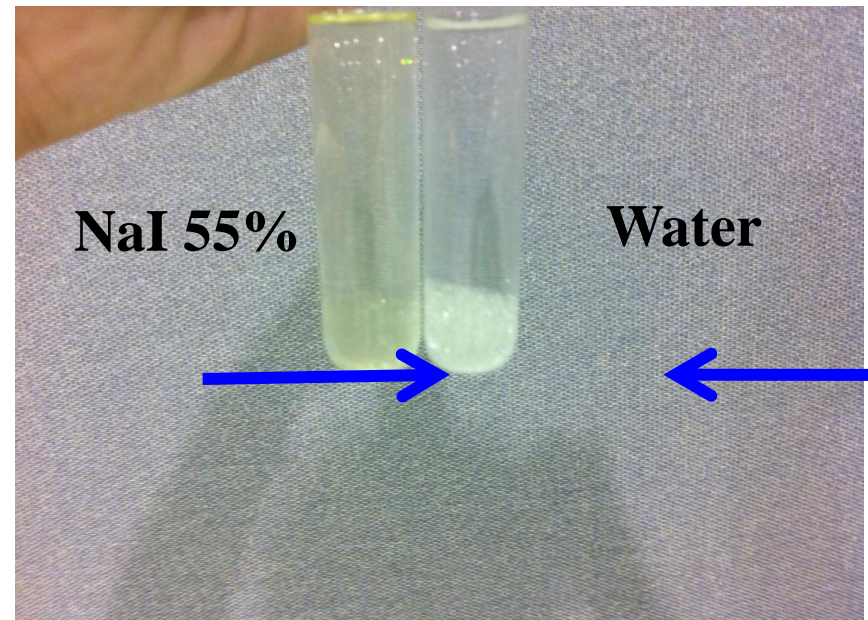
Need non-flammable, low viscosity fluid, no light sensitivity, non-toxic system

# REFRACTIVE INDEX MATCHED SYSTEM

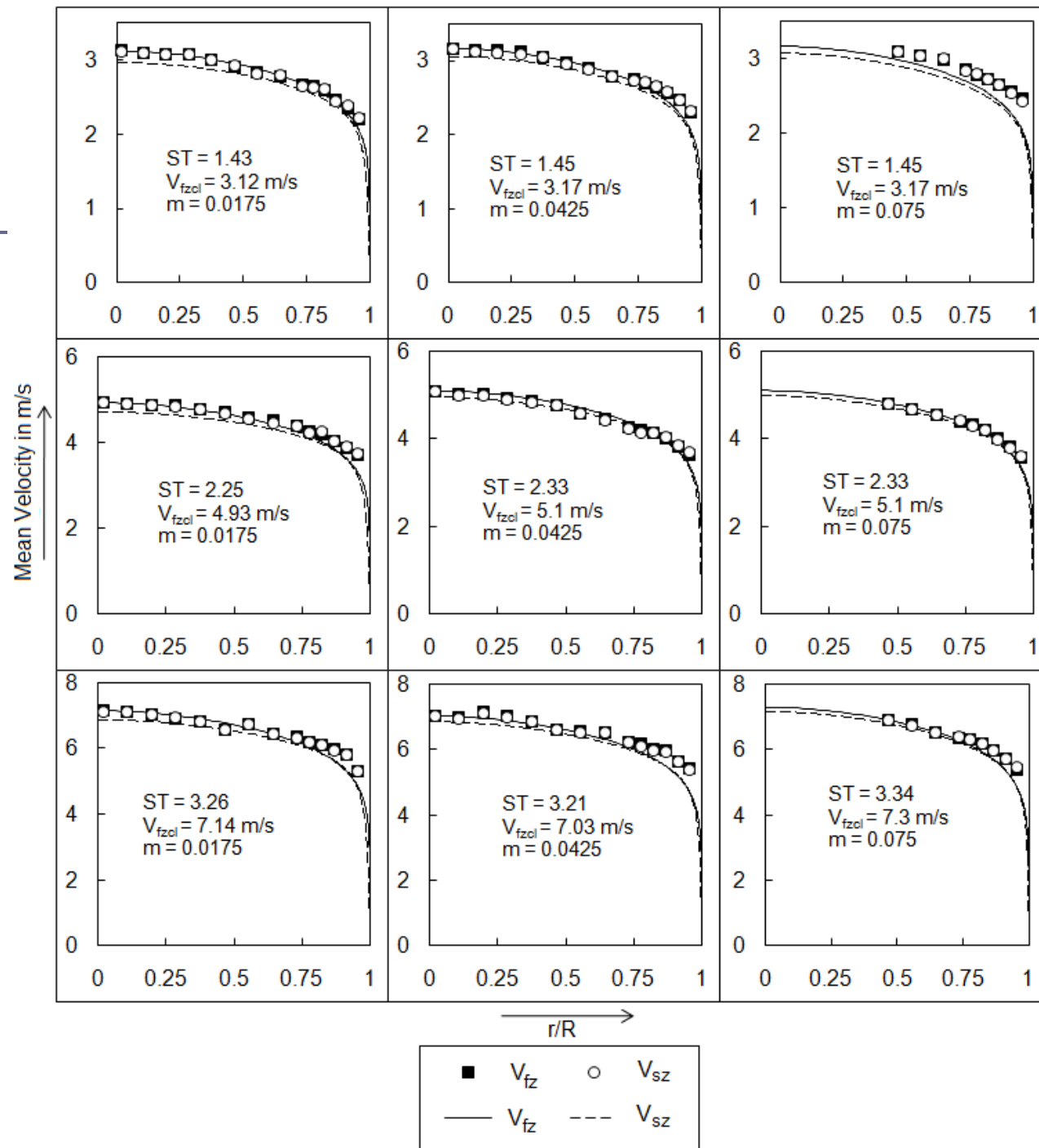
**Silica gel particles**



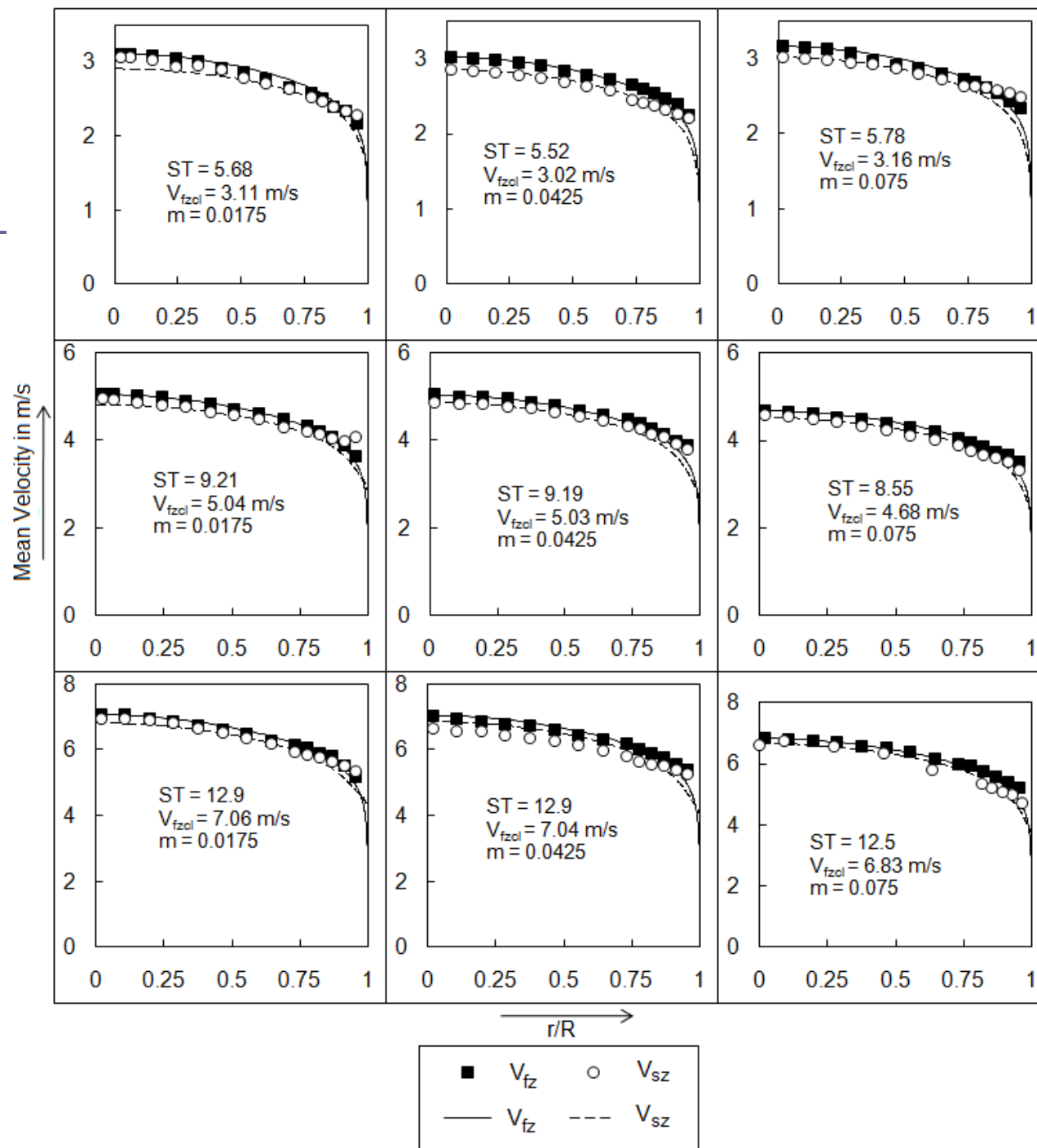
**Pyrex glass particles**

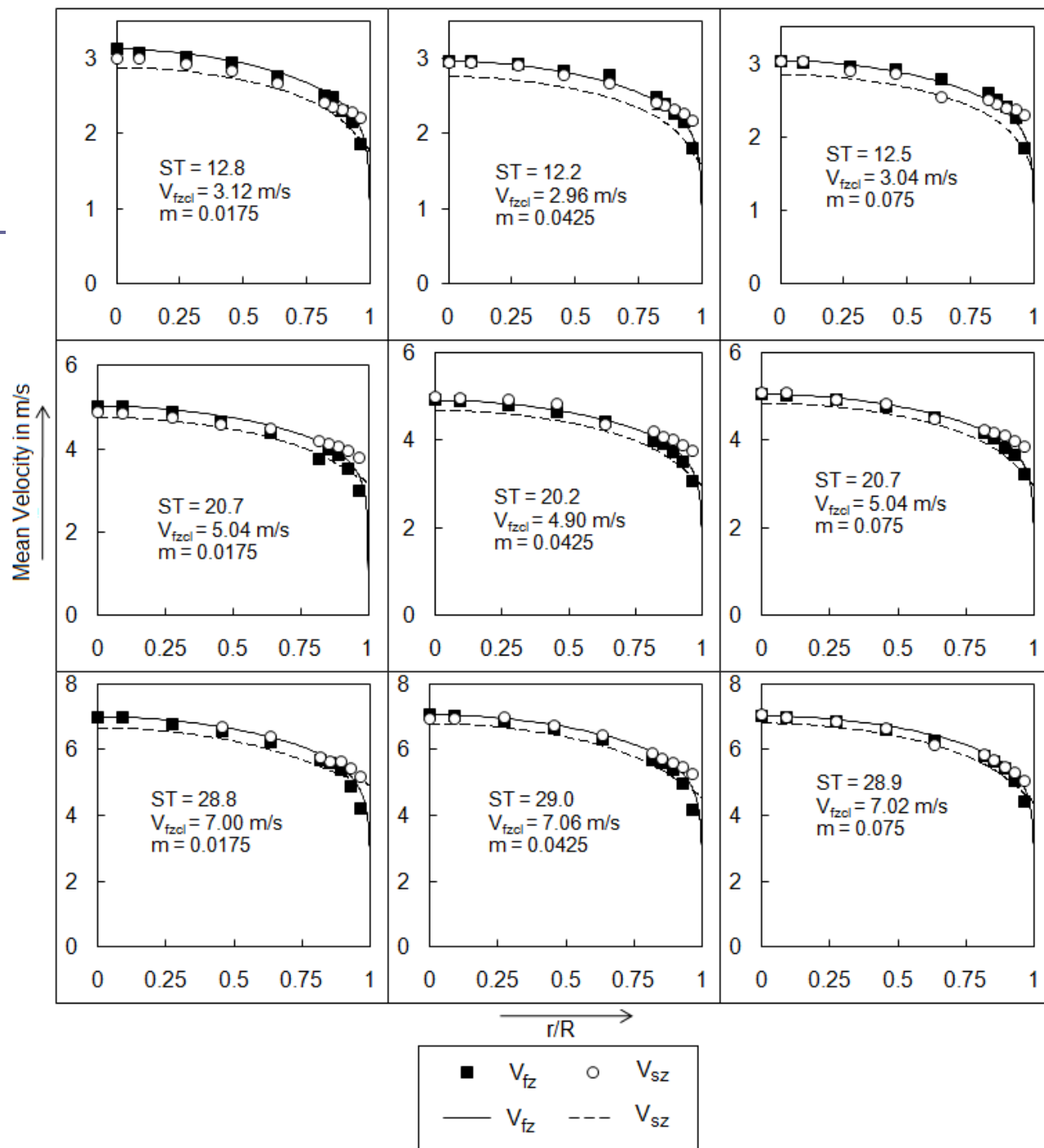


**Minimal Temperature Sensitivity**









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# Extra Slides

# Interaction Term & Fluctuation Velocity Cross-Correlation

- Time and Volume Based Averaging (TVBA)

$$I_k = -\beta(1-\nu)(2k - k_{sg})$$

$$I_T = \beta(1-\nu)(k_{sg} - 3T)$$

Cross-correlation

- Volume Based Averaging (VBA) by Crowe (2000)

$$I_k = \beta(1-\nu)(3T - k_{sg}) + \beta(1-\nu)|V_g - V_s|^2$$

$$I_T = \beta(1-\nu)(k_{sg} - 3T)$$

Cross-correlation

$$2k = (\overline{v_g' \cdot v_g'}); \quad 3T = (\overline{v_s' \cdot v_s'}); \quad k_{sg} = (\overline{v_g' \cdot v_s'})$$

# Motivation: Modeling of Inertia-Dominated Flows

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## □ Fluctuating Velocity Interaction Terms

- Effect of Particles on Gas-Phase Fluctuations (k equation)

$$I_k = \beta(1-\nu)(2k - \overline{v_{gi}'v_{si}'})$$

$$I_k = \beta(1-\nu)|v_g - v_s|^2 + \beta(1-\nu)(\overline{v_{gi}'v_{si}'} - 3T) \quad \text{Crowe (2000)}$$

- Effect of Fluid on Particle-Phase Fluctuations (T equation)

$$I_T = \beta(1-\nu)(\overline{v_{gi}'v_{si}'} - 3T)$$

Other relations proposed which neglect fluid turbulence or inertia

## □ New Model for Fluctuating Velocity Interaction Terms

- Based on heat transfer analogy
- Energy transfer occurs due to particle drag or particle collisions
- Fluid turbulence enhancement and dissipation

- Rao *et al.*, Circulating Fluidized Beds session, Thursday afternoon