

A SHORT INTRODUCTION TO TWO-PHASE FLOWS

Industrial occurrence
and flow regimes

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CLASSES CONTENTS (1/2)

- Introduction: CEA/Grenoble, scientific information
- Two-phase flow systems in industry and nature
- Flow regime
- Measuring techniques, composition (α)
- Simple models for void fraction prediction

CLASSES CONTENTS (2/2)

- Balance equations
- 1D models, pipe flow
- Pressure drop and friction
- Heat transfer mechanisms in boiling
- Condensation of pure vapor
- Critical flow phenomenon

Recommended textbook: [Delhaye \(2008\)](#)

THERMAL-HYDRAULICS

- Study of simultaneous flow and heat transfer, in French, *thermohydraulique*
- Phase: state of matter characterized by definite thermodynamic properties
- Two-phase: mixture of two phases (*diphasique*)
- Examples: air and water, oil and water (connate), water and steam, oil and natural gas (multiphase), *polyphasique*).

CEA/GRENOBLE RESEARCH CENTER

- CEA: Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique (15000 p)
- CEA/Grenoble: originates in 1956, founded by Louis Néel (4000p/2300 CEA)
- Heat transfer laboratories founded by Henri Mondin
- Nuclear energy directorate (5000 p, DEN)
- Department of nuclear technology (400 p, Cadarache, Grenoble, DTN)
- Department of reactors studies (400 p, Cadarache, Grenoble, DER)
- Labs of simulation in thermal-hydraulics (SSTH)
- Labs of experimental studies in thermal-hydraulics (SE2T)
- Thesis advising capabilities and referenced research groups for several Masters.

LABS OF SIMULATION AND EXPERIMENTS IN THERMAL-HYDRAULICS

- Codes (*logiciels*) for safety studies, CATHARE.
- 3D Codes for two-phase boiling flows (Neptune).
- LES of single-phase flow and heat transfer (TRIO-U).
- Dedicated studies : safety and optimization of NR of various generations II, III and IV, ship propulsion, cryogenic rocket engines.
- Analytic studies on boiling flows and critical heat flux (DEBORA)
- Thermal-hydraulic qualification of fuel bundles (OMEGA)
- Instrumentation development for single-phase and two-phase flows:

Can only be modeled a quantity which can be measured

Applications→models and codes→experimental validation→instrumentation.

SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION

- How to solve a technical/scientific issue?
- Textbooks, books, journal papers: Library?.
- Scientific Societies: journals editing, conference organizations (proceedings, *actes*).
 - La Société française de l'énergie nucléaire
 - La Société hydrotechnique de France
 - La Société française de thermique
 - American nuclear society, thermal-hydraulics division (NURETH)
- Do you speak English? ...

TWO-PHASE SYSTEMS IN INDUSTRY AND NATURE (1/4)

- Nuclear engineering: sizing, safety, decontamination (cleaning up)
 - Loss of coolant accidents (LOCA-*APRP*).
 - Severe accidents w/o vessel retention.
 - Decontamination by using foam.
 - Nuclear waste reprocessing.
- Oil engineering, hot issue: two-phase production
 - Transport.
 - Pumping.
 - Metering.
 - Oil refining (Chem. Engng).
- Oil engineering : safety
 - Safety of installations.
 - LPG storage tanks and fire (BLEVE).

TWO-PHASE SYSTEMS IN INDUSTRY AND NATURE (2/4)

- Chemical engineering
 - Wastewater treatment (interfacial area and residence time).
 - Gas-liquid reactors (falling film, trickle bed, air-lift).
 - Mixing and separation.
 - Safety: homogeneous thermal runaway.
- Automotive industry
 - Diesel fuel atomization.
 - Combustion in diesel engines.
 - Cavitation damage : power steering, fuel nozzles.
- Heat exchangers
 - Condensers and evaporator/steam generator.
 - Boilers (critical heat flux, CHF), heaters.

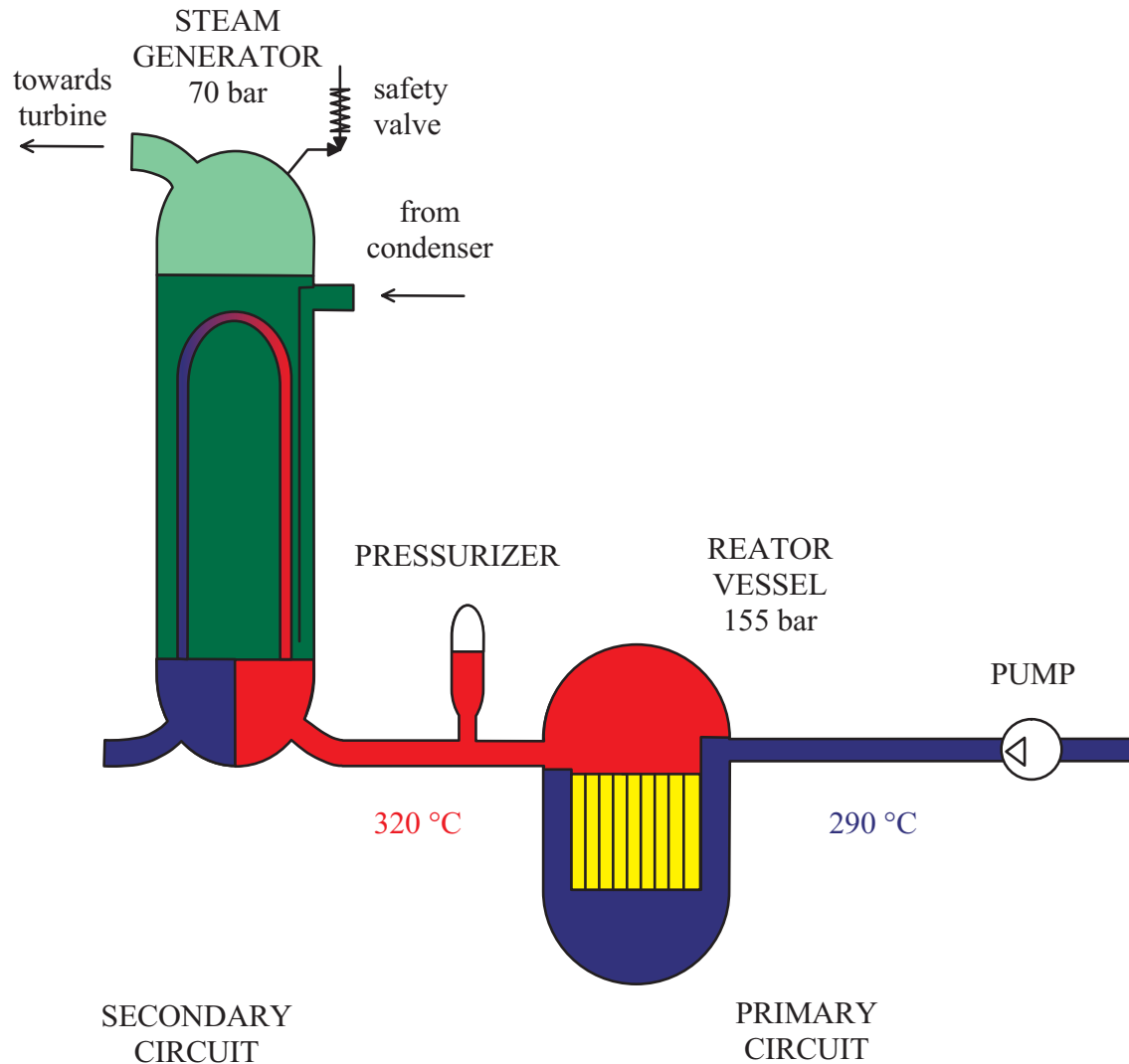
TWO-PHASE SYSTEMS IN INDUSTRY AND NATURE (3/4)

- Hydroelectricity and water distribution
 - Water resources management: transients of pipings.
 - Priming of siphons.
- Space industry
 - Cryogenic fuel storage (Vinci).
 - Thermal control of rocket engines (combustion chamber and nozzle).
 - Water hammer and pressure surges.
 - Cavitation in turbo-pumps. Instability (lateral loading) and damage.

TWO-PHASE SYSTEMS IN INDUSTRY AND NATURE (4/4)

- Meteorology
 - Storm formation, rain/hail, lightning.
 - Ocean and atmosphere exchanges, aerosols formation.
- Volcanology
 - Critical flow of lava in wells.
 - Steam explosion.
 - Nuées ardentes (Vesuvius, protection of Naples suburbs).
- Nivology
 - Avalanches.
 - Snow maturation (three-phase / 2-component).

NUCLEAR REACTORS, WATER COOLED



- Sizing :
SG: heat transfer and pressure drop.
SGTR: critical flow at the safety valve.
FSI: mechanical loading and vibrations.
- Safety :
LOCA, fuel cladding temperature, reference scenario
- Decontamination :
vessel, SG, minimizings wastes:
foam

NUCLEAR FUEL



- Fuel pellet.
- Rod ≈ 10 mm in diameter (first confinement barrier).
- Fuel assembly 17×17 .
- Control rods.
- Length ≈ 4 meters.
- Reactor core ≈ 4 m in diameter.
- Heat transfer: forced convection (7 m/s.)
- Thermal power $3000 \div 5000$ MW.

STEAM GENERATOR



- Tube-type, separates primary and secondary circuits (second confining barrier).
- ≈ 5000 tubes, diameter 50 mm, height 10 m.
- Pressure: 155-70 bar.
- 3 or 4 SG and flow loops.
- Inverted U-Tubes.
- Secondary : two-phase flow.
- Issues : heat transfer and vibration damage.

THE N4 PWR: SOME FIGURES

- Primary side pressure: 155 bar, $T_{\text{sat}} \approx 355^{\circ}\text{C}$. Thermal power: 4250 MW.
 - Mass flow rate: 4928,6 kg/s per SG (4)
 - Core inlet temperature: $292,2^{\circ}\text{C}$
 - Core outlet temperature: $329,6^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Secondary side, SG vapor pressure : 72,3 bar
 - Vapor temperature: 288°C
 - Feed water temperature: $229,5^{\circ}\text{C}$
 - Mass flow rate: 601,91 kg/s per SG (4)
- Assess the thermal balance of reactor and SG

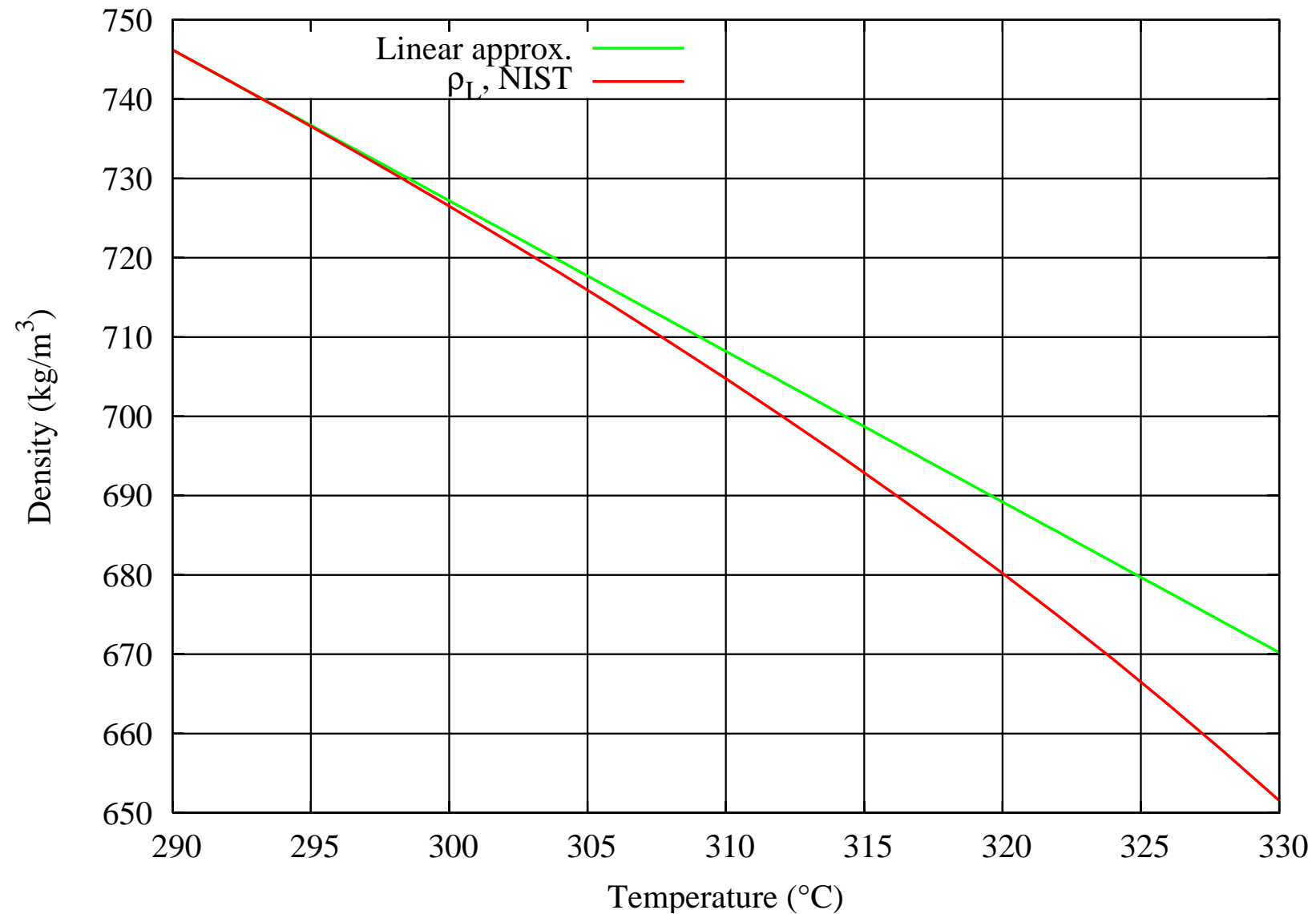
Source: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
(<http://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>)

SOME BAD NEWS...

The following (low pressure) statements are *rather* wrong:

- The mass balance reads, $Q_1 = Q_2$, since water is incompressible, at least weakly it is dilatable.
- The enthalpy is, $h = C_P T$.
- For a liquid, $C_P \approx C_V$, or $h \approx u$.
- Steam is a perfect gas.

WATER DENSITY AT 155 BAR



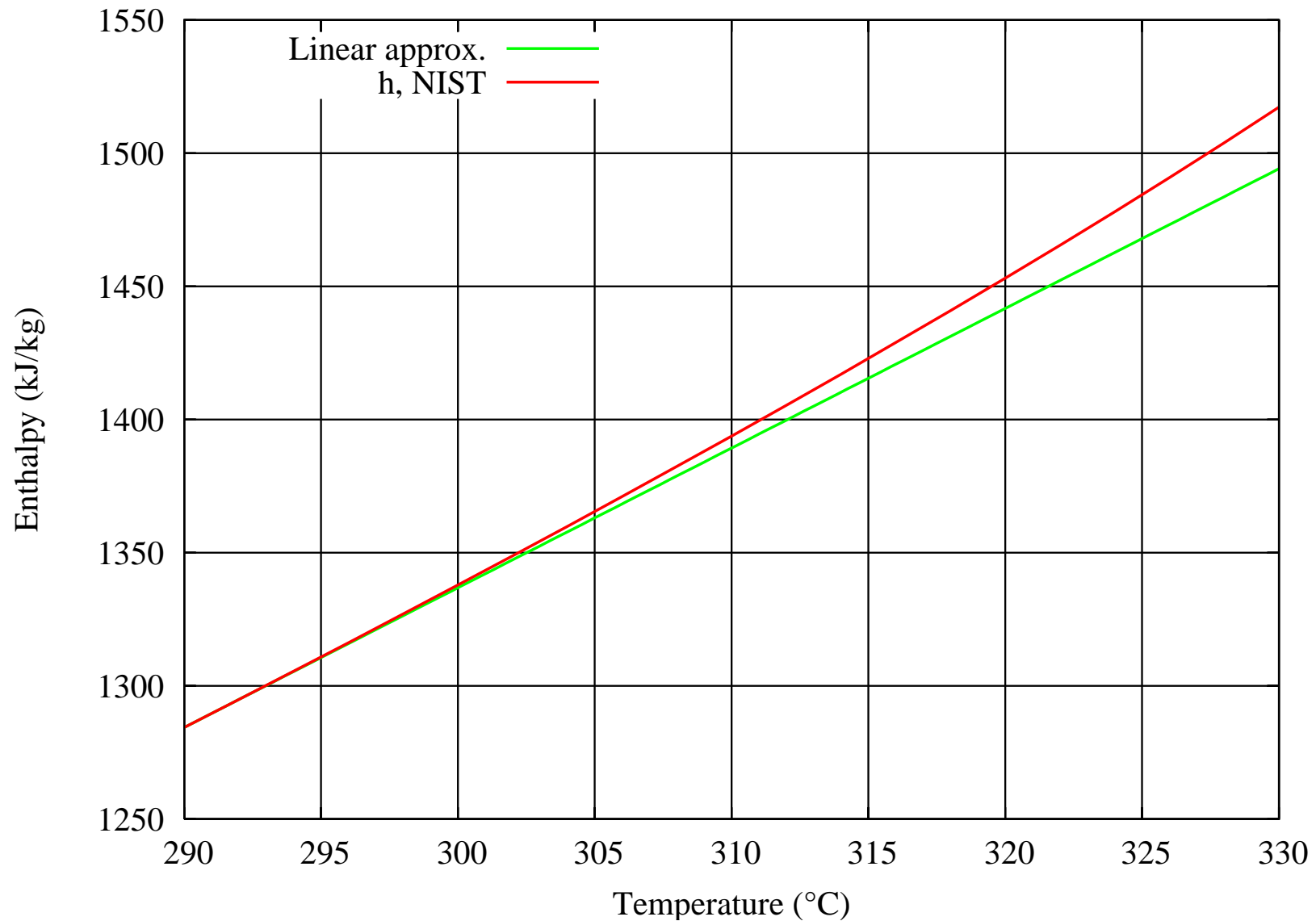
MASS BALANCE OF THE PRIMARY CIRCUIT

- Mass flow rate per loop (CL), $M_L \approx 5023 \text{ kg/s}$
- Inlet density: $\rho_{L1}(292^\circ\text{C}, 155 \text{ bar}) = 742,41 \text{ kg/s}$.
- Outlet density : $\rho_{L2}(330^\circ\text{C}, 155 \text{ bar}) = 651,55 \text{ kg/s}$.

$$Q_1 = \frac{M_L}{\rho_1} = 6,77\text{m}^3/\text{s}, \quad Q_2 = \frac{M_L}{\rho_2} = 7,71\text{m}^3/\text{s}$$

- Volumetric flow rates differ by 13%.
- The volume of the primary circuit is 400 m^3 ...

WATER ENTHALPY AT 155 BAR



PRIMARY SIDE HEAT BALANCE

- Mass flow rate per loop (CL), $M_L \approx 5023 \text{ kg/s}$.
- Inlet enthalpy: $h_{L1}(292^\circ\text{C}, 155\text{bar}) = 1295 \text{ kJ/kg}$.
- Outlet enthalpy: $h_{L2}(330^\circ\text{C}, 155 \text{ bar}) = 1517 \text{ kJ/kg}$.

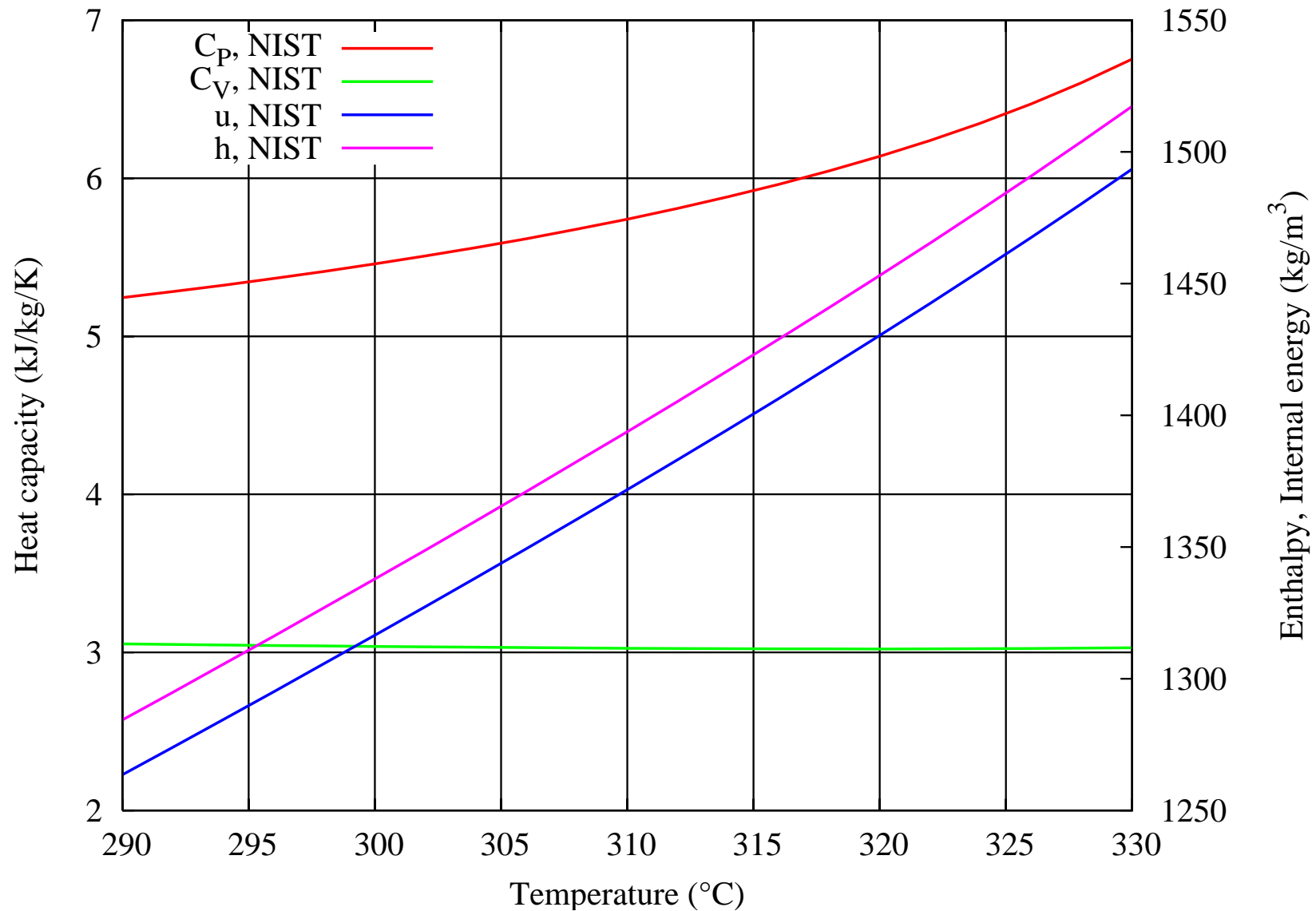
$$P = M_L \Delta h \approx 5023 \times 222 \cdot 10^3 = 1115 \text{ MW}$$

- 4-loop reactor power: 4460 MW.
- Linear approximation: $h = C_P T$, $C_P(292^\circ\text{C}, 155\text{bar}) = 5,2827 \text{ kJ/kg/K}$.

$$P = M_L C_P \Delta T \approx 5023 \times 201 \cdot 10^3 = 1008 \text{ MW}$$

- Power differs by 10%.
- Temperature drift: 31°C/hour .

WATER ENTHALPY & INTERNAL ENERGY AT 155 BAR



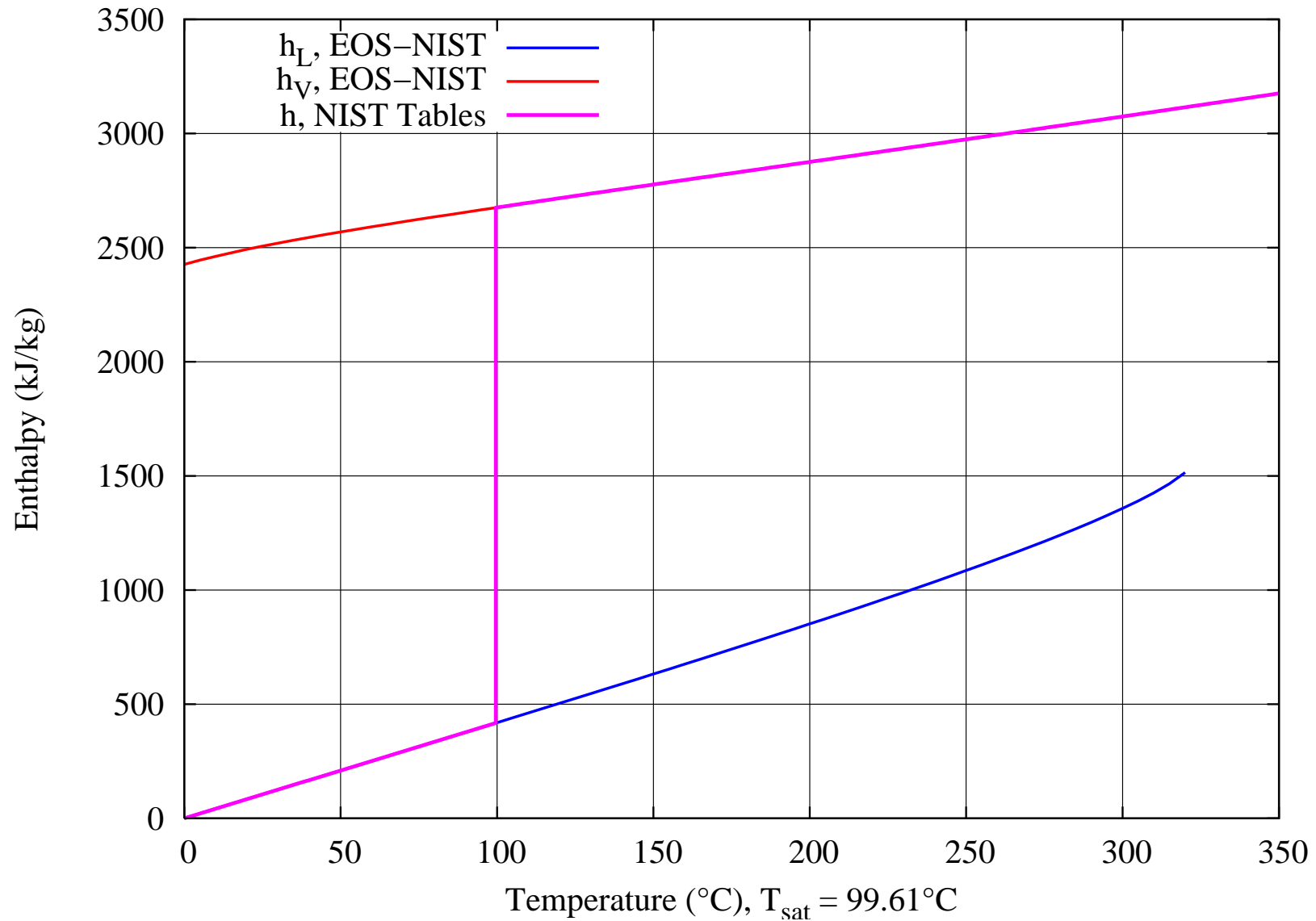
PHASE CHANGE & METASTABLE STATES

- Phase rule: thermodynamic equilibrium of steam and vapor, temperature and pressure are linked, saturation states

$$v = n + 2 - \varphi = 1, \quad p = p_{\text{sat}}(T), \text{ or } T = T_{\text{sat}}(p)$$

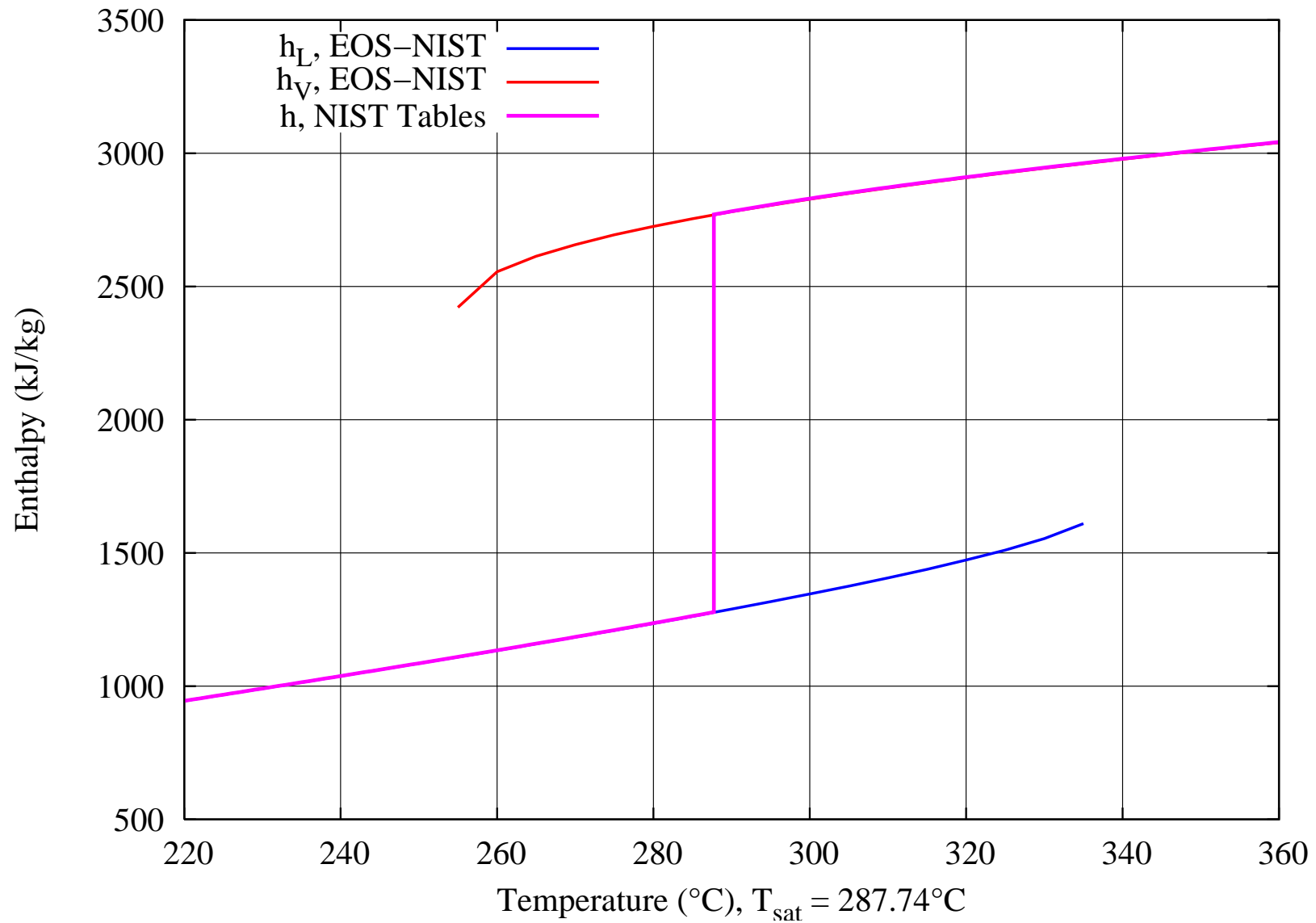
- Phase coexistence pressure, resp. temperature
- Liquid only is thermodynamically stable above $T_{\text{sat}}(p)$.
- Vapor only is thermodynamically stable below $T_{\text{sat}}(p)$.
- Water must boil and comply with the second principle of thermodynamics
- Within the metastability T range, the fluid can be either two-phase or single-phase.
- Metastable states usually not in tables, EOS is needed.

WATER ENTHALPY AT 1 BAR



Maximum liquid superheat, metastability limit $>230\text{ K}$

WATER ENTHALPY AT 72 BAR



SECONDARY SIDE HEAT BALANCE

- Mass flow rate per SG, $M_L \approx 602 \text{ kg/s}$
- Inlet enthalpy: $h_{L1}(230^\circ\text{C}, 72 \text{ bar}) = 991.1 \text{ kJ/kg}$.
- Outlet enthalpy: $h_{V2}(288^\circ\text{C}, 72 \text{ bar}) = 2771 \text{ kJ/kg}$.

$$P = M_L \Delta h \approx 602 \times 1780 \cdot 10^3 = 1071 \text{ MW}$$

- To be compared to 1115 MW on the primary side.

STEAM IS A PERFECT GAS

- Steam density at 100°C, 1 bar, $\rho_V = 0,5897 \text{ kg/m}^3$.
- Perfect gas approximation: $pV = RT$, $R = 8.316 \text{ J/mol/K}$, $M = 18 \text{ g/mol}$.

$$V = \frac{RT}{p} = 3.103 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3, \quad \rho = \frac{M}{V} = 0.5801 \text{ kg/m}^3.$$

- Steam at 288°C, 72 bar, $\rho_V = 37.64 \text{ kg/m}^3$.
- Perfect gas : $pV = RT$, $R = 8.316 \text{ J/mol/K}$, $M = 18 \text{ g/mol}$.

$$V = \frac{RT}{p} = 6.481 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3, \quad \rho = \frac{M}{V} = 27.77 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

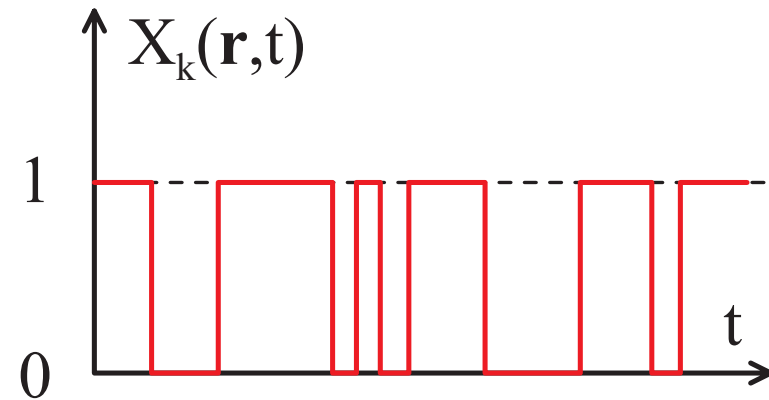
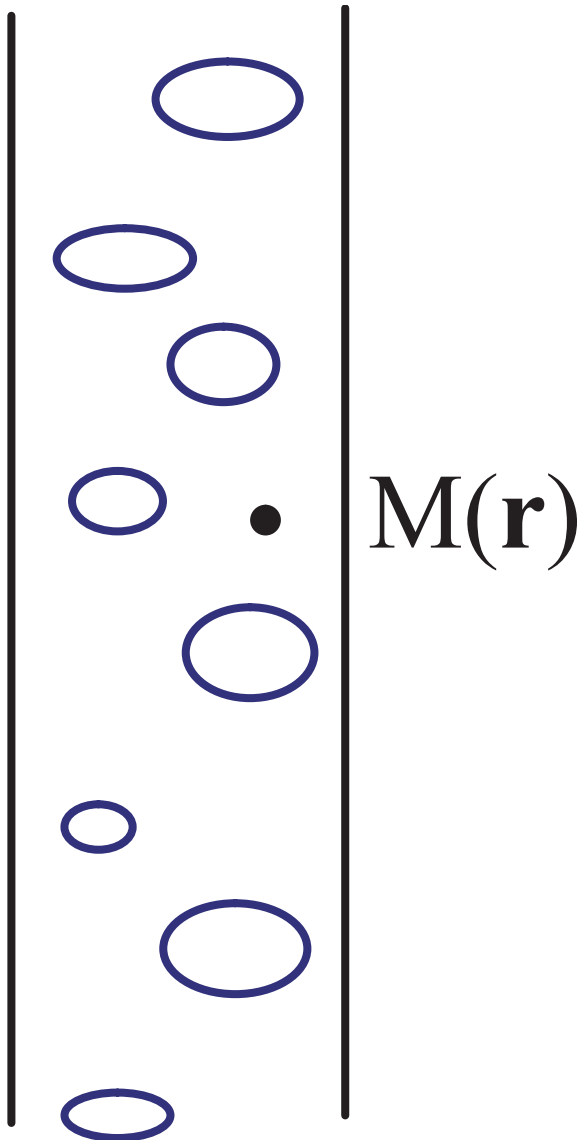
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- Perfect gas approximation under-estimate by 26%.

TWO-PHASE FLOW VARIABLES

- Phase presence function
- Space averaging operators
- Instantaneous flow rates
- Time averaging operators
- Some mathematical properties
- Averaged flow rate and superficial velocity

PHASE PRESENCE FUNCTION



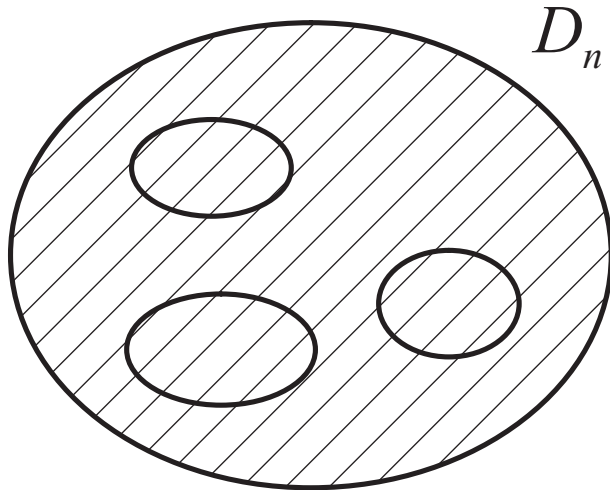
$$X_k(\mathbf{r}, t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \text{phase } k \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin \text{phase } k \end{cases}$$

Measurable variable,

- Resistive probe (electrical impedance)
- Optical probe (refraction index)
- Thermal anemometry (heat transfer)

Subscripts : $k = 1, 2, k = L, G, k = f, v$ etc.

SPACE AVERAGING (1/3)

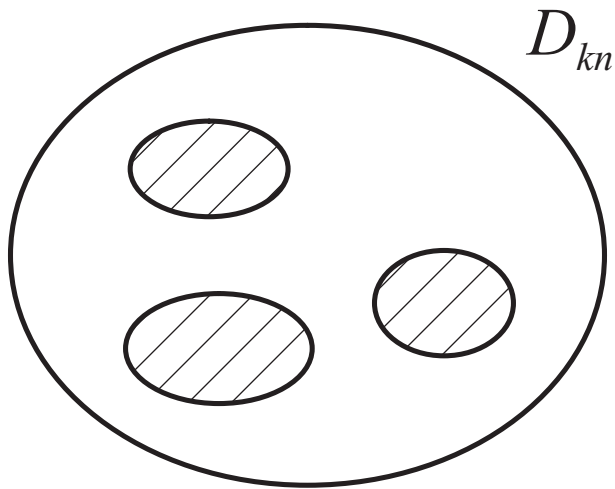


Space averaging operator (plain space average)

$$\langle f \rangle_n \triangleq \frac{1}{D_n} \int_{D_n} f \, dD_n$$

- $n=1$, line (chord in a pipe)
- $n=2$, surface (cross section)
- $n=3$, volume (some length of a pipe)

SPACE AVERAGING (2/3)



Phase presence conditional average,

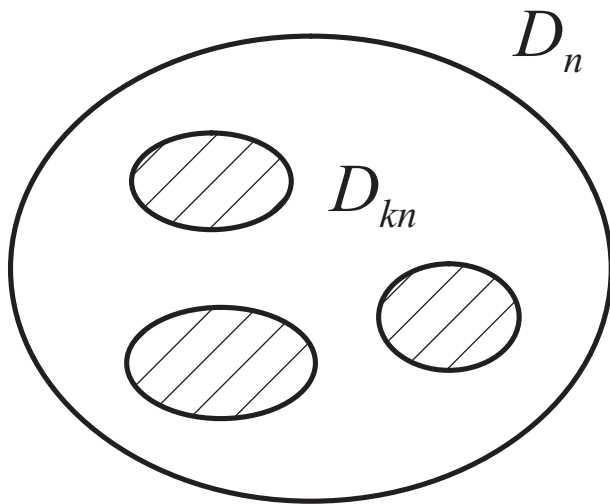
$$\langle f_k \rangle_n \triangleq \frac{1}{D_{kn}} \int_{D_{kn}} f_k \, dD_{kn}$$

- $n=1$, line
- $n=2$, surface (shown here)
- $n=3$, volume

SPACE AVERAGING (3/3)

Instantaneous phase fraction

$$R_{kn}(t) \triangleq \langle X_k(\mathbf{r}, t) \rangle_n = \frac{D_{kn}}{D_n}$$

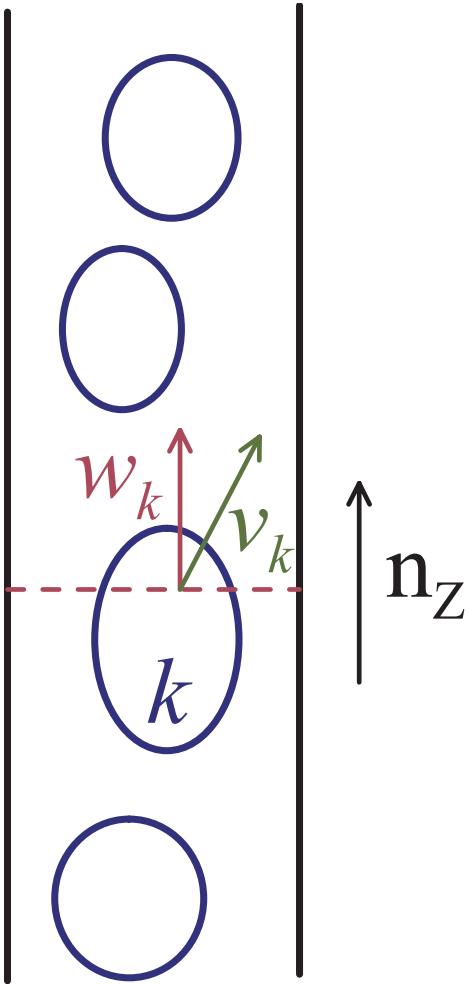


- $n=1$, line fraction, $\frac{L_k}{L_1 + L_2}$
- $n=2$, surface fraction, $\frac{A_k}{A_1 + A_2}$
- $n=3$, volume fraction, $\frac{V_k}{V_1 + V_2}$

Identity (proof left as an exercise)

$$R_{kn} \langle f \rangle_{kn} = \langle X_k f \rangle_n$$

FLOW RATE AND MASS FLOW RATE



- Instantaneous flow rate (m^3/s), $w_k = \mathbf{v}_k \cdot \mathbf{n}_z$

$$Q_k(t) \triangleq \int_{A_k} w_k \, dA_k = A_k \langle w_k \rangle_2$$

- Instantaneous mass flow rate (kg/s)

$$M_k(t) \triangleq \int_{A_k} \rho_k w_k \, dA_k = A_k \langle \rho_k w_k \rangle_2$$

TIME AVERAGING

Time averaging on $[T]$, (plain)

$$\bar{f}(t) \triangleq \frac{1}{T} \int_{t-T/2}^{t+T/2} f(\tau) d\tau$$

Conditional time averaging, $[T_k]$

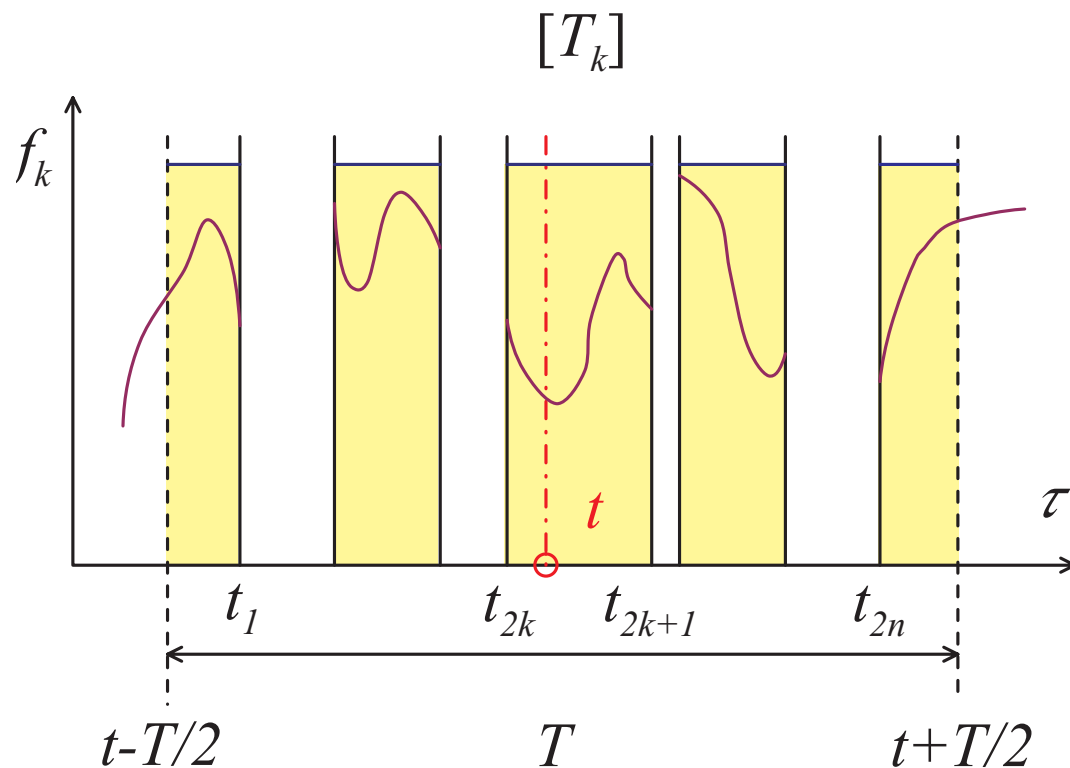
$$\bar{f}_k^X(t) \triangleq \frac{1}{T_k} \int_{[T_k]} f_k(\tau) d\tau$$

Local time fraction, *void fraction* for gas/vapor

$$\alpha_k(\mathbf{r}, t) \triangleq \frac{T_k}{T} = \overline{X_k(\mathbf{r}, t)}$$

Identity, derives from the definitions,

$$\alpha_k \bar{f}^X = \overline{X_k f}$$



COMMUTATIVITY OF AVERAGING OPERATORS

$$\overline{R_{kn} < f_k >_n} = \left\langle \alpha_k \overline{f_k}^X \right\rangle_n$$

Proof, from definitions:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{R_{kn} < f_k >_n} &= \frac{1}{T} \int_{[T]} \left\{ \frac{R_{kn}}{D_{kn}} \int_{D_{kn}(t)} f_k \, dD_{kn} \right\} dt \\ \frac{1}{T} \int_{[T]} dt \frac{1}{D_n} \int_{D_n} X_k f_k \, dD_n &= \frac{1}{D_n} \int_{D_n} dD_n \frac{1}{T} \int_{[T]} X_k f_k \, dt \\ \frac{1}{D_n} \int_{D_n} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_k(\mathbf{r})}{T_k} \int_{[T_k]} f_k \, dt \right\} dD_n &= \left\langle \alpha_k \overline{f_k}^X \right\rangle_n \end{aligned}$$

Significant example: mean void fraction, $f_k = 1$, salami theorem...

$$\overline{R_{kn}} = \left\langle \alpha_k \right\rangle_n$$

MEAN FLOW RATES

- Mean volume flow rate,

$$\overline{Q}_k = A \overline{R_{k2} \langle w_k \rangle_2} = A \langle \alpha_k \overline{w}_k^X \rangle_2$$

- Mean mass flow rate,

$$\overline{M}_k = A \overline{R_{k2} \langle \rho_k w_k \rangle_2} = A \langle \alpha_k \overline{\rho}_k \overline{w}_k^X \rangle_2$$

SUPERFICIAL VELOCITY

- Mean volumetric flux,

$$j_k \triangleq \overline{X_k w_k} \equiv \alpha_k \overline{w_k^X}$$

- Mean mass flux,

$$g_k \triangleq \overline{X_k \rho_k w_k} \equiv \alpha_k \overline{\rho_k w_k^X}$$

- Superficial velocity (*vitesse débitante*),

$$J_k = \langle j_k \rangle_2 = \langle \alpha_k \overline{w_k^X} \rangle_2 = \frac{\overline{Q_k}}{A}$$

- Mixture superficial velocity,

$$J = J_1 + J_2 = \frac{\overline{Q_1} + \overline{Q_2}}{A}$$

QUALITY

- Mean mass flux,

$$G_k \triangleq \langle g_k \rangle_2 = \langle \alpha_k \overline{\rho_k} w_k^X \rangle_2 = \frac{\overline{M_k}}{A}$$

- Mixture mean mass flux,

$$G = G_1 + G_2 = \frac{\overline{M_1} + \overline{M_2}}{A}$$

- Quality, (*titre massique*),

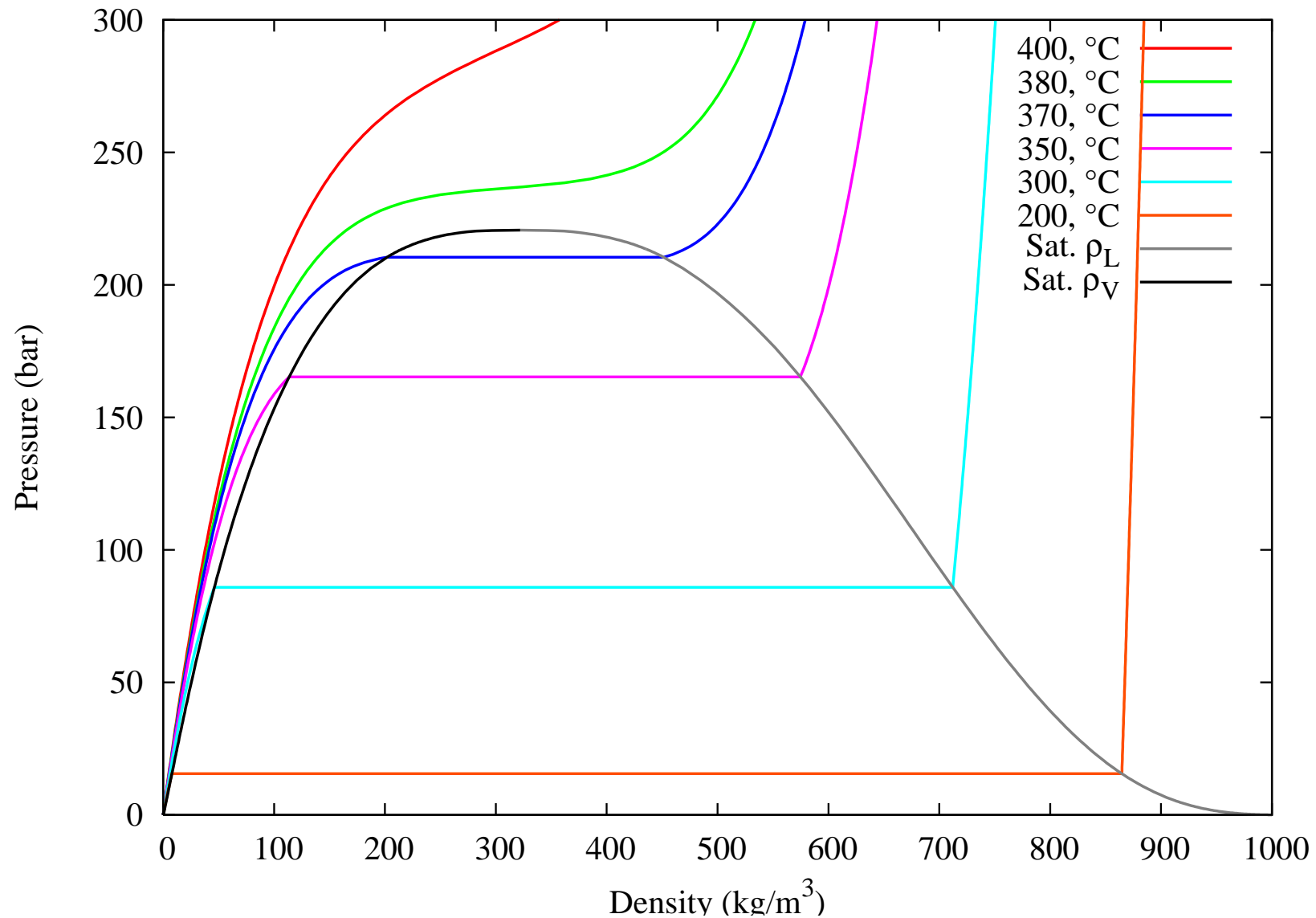
$$x_k = \frac{M_k}{M}, \quad M = M_1 + M_2$$

- Volume quality,

$$\beta_k = \frac{Q_k}{Q}, \quad Q = Q_1 + Q_2$$

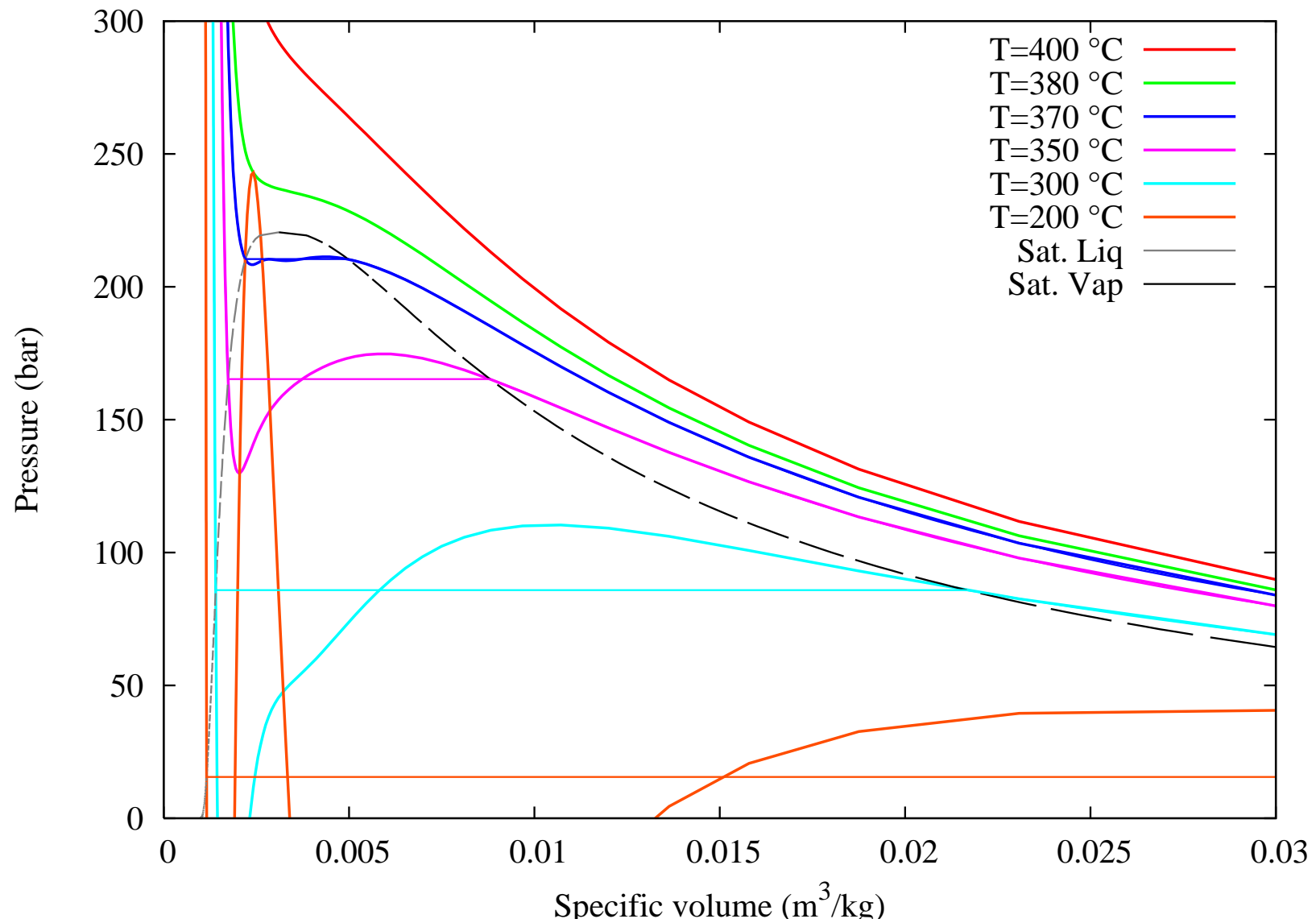
- Equilibrium (steam) quality...

WATER THERMODYNAMIC DIAGRAM (ρ, p)

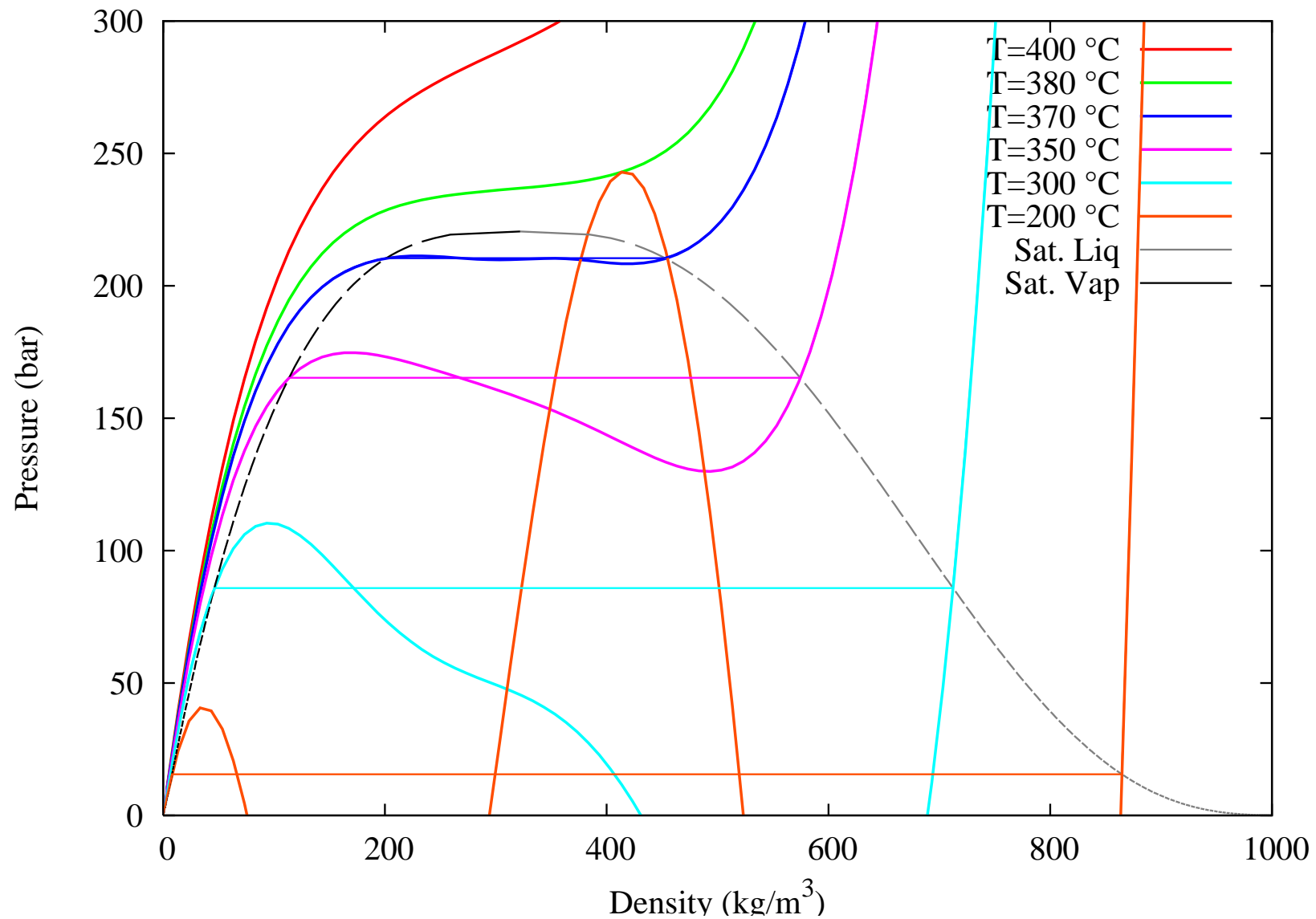


Critical pressure and temperature : ≈ 221 bar, $373,9^{\circ}\text{C}$.

STEAM TABLES AND EOS (v , p)



STEAM TABLES AND EOS (ρ, p)



EQUILIBRIUM QUALITY

- The thermodynamic equilibrium assumption,

$$T_L = T_V = T_{\text{sat}}(p), \quad h_k(T_k, p) = h_k(T_{\text{sat}}(p), p) \triangleq h_{k\text{sat}}(p)$$

- 1D model assumption, flat profiles ($h_k(\mathbf{r}) \neq \langle h_k \rangle$),
- Energy balance, q , uniform heat flux distribution

$$P = \pi q D z = M[h(z) - h_1] = M[(x_{eq} h_{V\text{sat}} + (1 - x_{eq}) h_{L\text{sat}}) - h_{L1}]$$

$$x_{eq} = \frac{h_{L1} - h_{L\text{sat}}}{h_{lv}} + \frac{\pi q D z}{M h_{lv}}$$

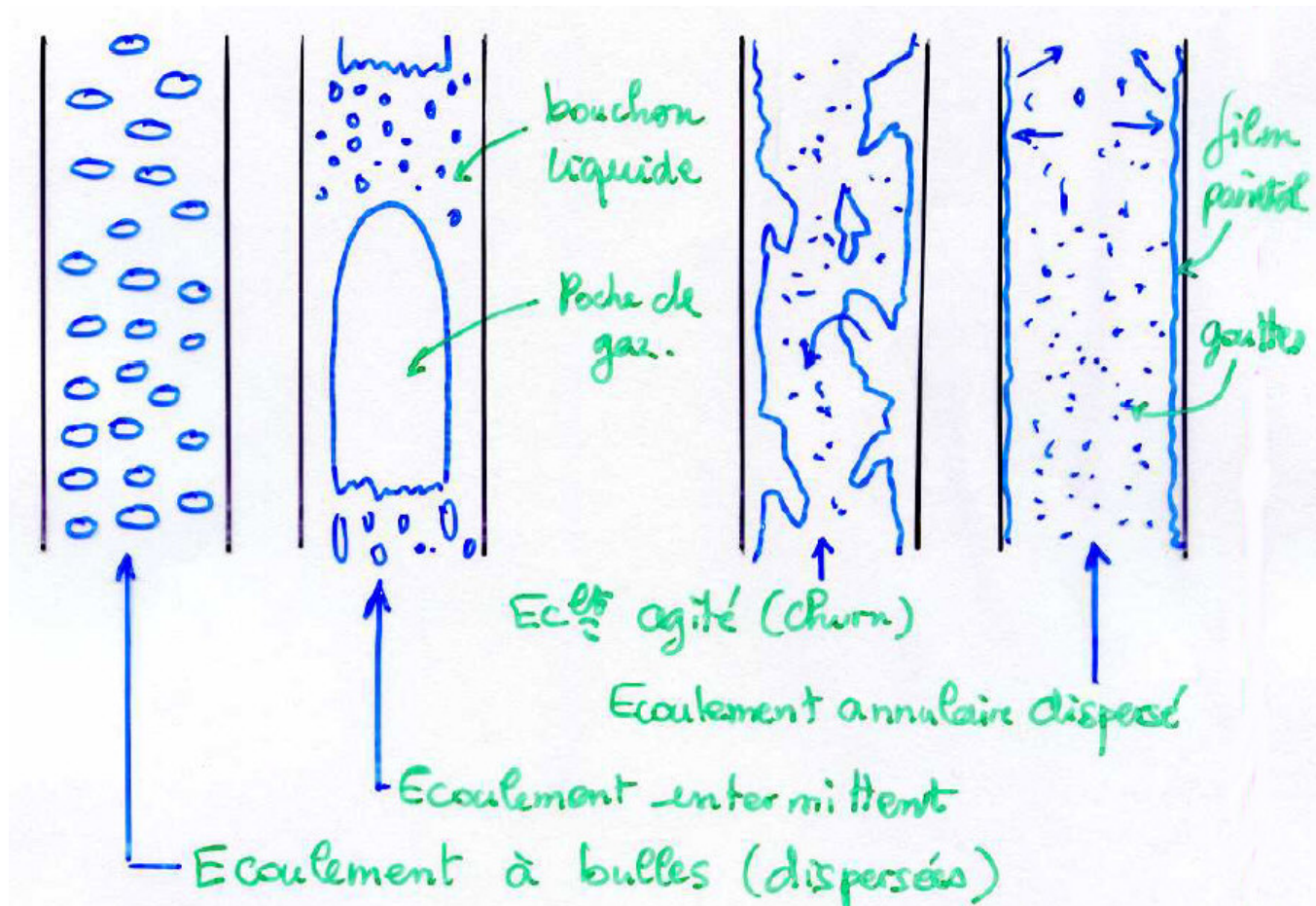
- Phase change enthalpy : $h_{lv} \triangleq h_{V\text{sat}} - h_{L\text{sat}}$
- Equilibrium quality varies linearly with position.
- h is the mean enthalpy (energy balance), non dimensional enthalpy,

$$x_{eq} = \frac{h - h_{L\text{sat}}}{h_{lv}}$$

FLOW REGIMES

- Topological phase organisation in flows,
 - Bubbles, *bulles*
 - Plugs and slugs, *poches et bouchons*
 - Liquid films, drops and droplets
 - No sharp transitions
- Modeling is the motivation for identification of flow regimes
 - Single-phase flows: laminar-turbulent (NS or RANS)
 - Two-phase flows: structures of interfaces → model.
 - Shortcomings: fully developed flows, fuzzy transitions, hydrodynamic singularities.
- Control variables: flow rates, slope, direction, diameter, transport properties, inlet conditions *etc.*
- Examples: vertical and horizontal co-current flows.

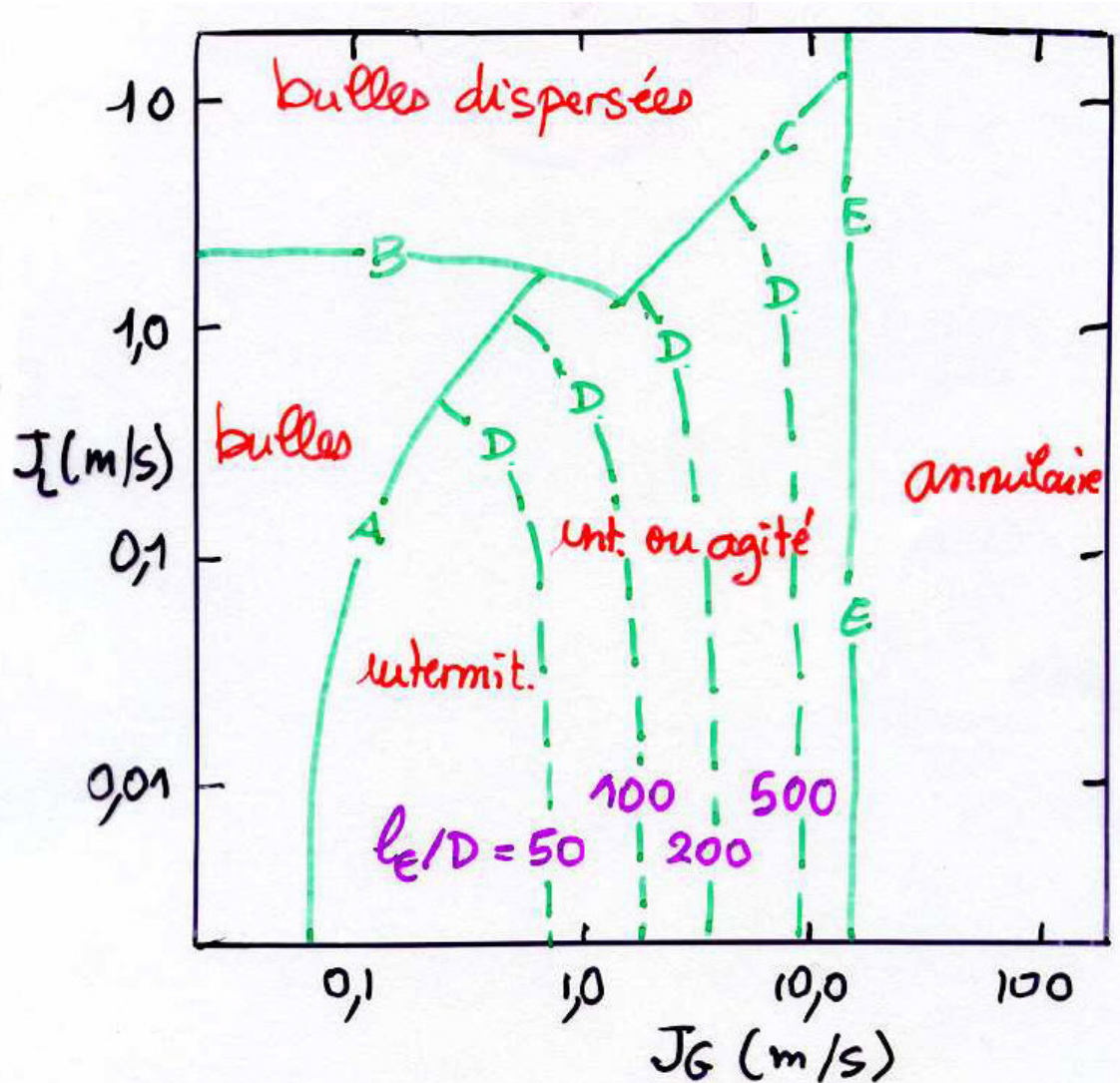
VERTICAL ASCENDING FLOWS



Flow regime transitions:

- Experiments, empirical, flow rates, momentum fluxes.
- Transition modeling, mechanisms, ([Dukler & Taitel, 1986](#)).

TAITEL ET DUKLER (1980) MODEL



Flow regimes:

- A-B: Bubbly (*bulles*)
- A-D: Intermittent (*poches, bouchons*)
- D-E: Churn (*agit *)
- E: Annular
- B-C: Dispersed bubbles

Vertical ascending air-water flow, $D = 50$ mm,
 $P = 1$ bar.

TAITEL ET DUKLER (1980) MODEL

- Bubbly flow and intermittent (A): Bubble coalescence, zig-zag motion of bubbles.

$$J_L = \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} J_G - (1-\alpha)^{\frac{3}{2}} U_{0\infty}, \quad \alpha_T = 0,25, \quad U_{0\infty} = 1,53 \left(\frac{g(\rho_L - \rho_G)\sigma}{\rho_L^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

- Dispersed bubbles and bubbly : turbulent break up, small bubbles, rectilinear path (B), dense packing (A) with $\alpha_T = 0,52$ (D).

$$\frac{2[\rho_L/(\rho_L - \rho_G)g]^{0,5} \nu_L^{0,08}}{(\sigma/\rho_L)^{0,10} D^{0,48}} J^{1,12} \geq 3,0$$

- Intermittent and churn (D): churn flow \equiv development of slug flow.

$$\frac{L}{D} = 42,6 \left(\frac{J}{\sqrt{gD}} + 0,29 \right)$$

TAITEL ET DUKLER (1980) MODEL

- Annular (E): all liquid entrained by the gas, force balance,

$$\frac{J\rho_G^{\frac{1}{2}}}{[\sigma g(\rho_L - \rho_G)]^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 3, 1$$

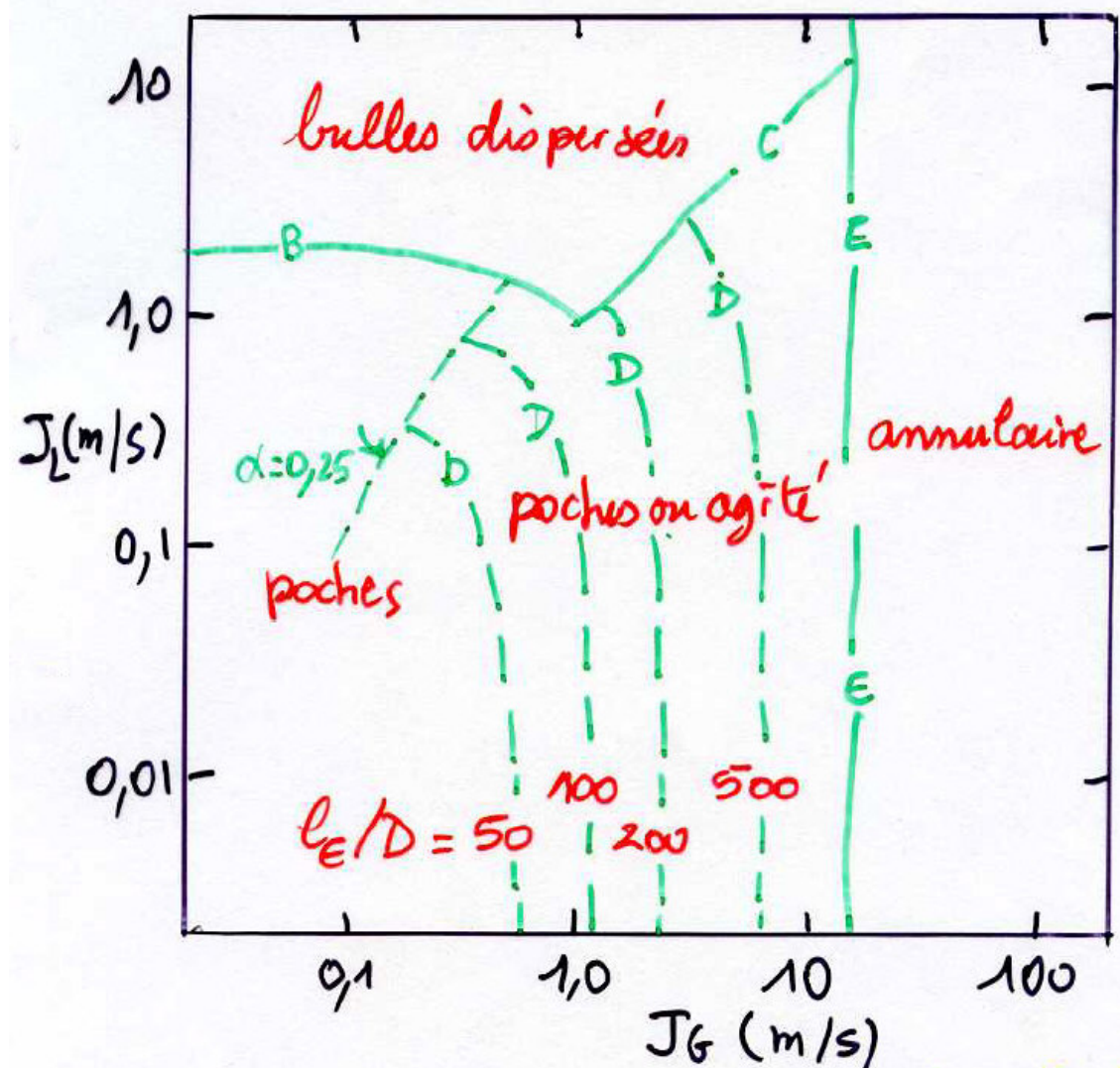
See also flooding correlations & Ku.

- *Small* diameter pipes: bubbles (zig-zag) and occasionally Taylor bubbles.
 - Taylor bubbles relative velocity: $U_T = 0,35\sqrt{gD}$
 - individual bubbles: $U_B = U_{0\text{inf}}(1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 - In small diameter pipes, Taylor bubbles are slower than individual bubbles *to* coalescence towards slugs.

$$\left(\frac{\rho_L^2 dD^2}{(\rho_L - \rho_G)\sigma} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \leq 3,78$$

- Bubbly flow no longer exists.

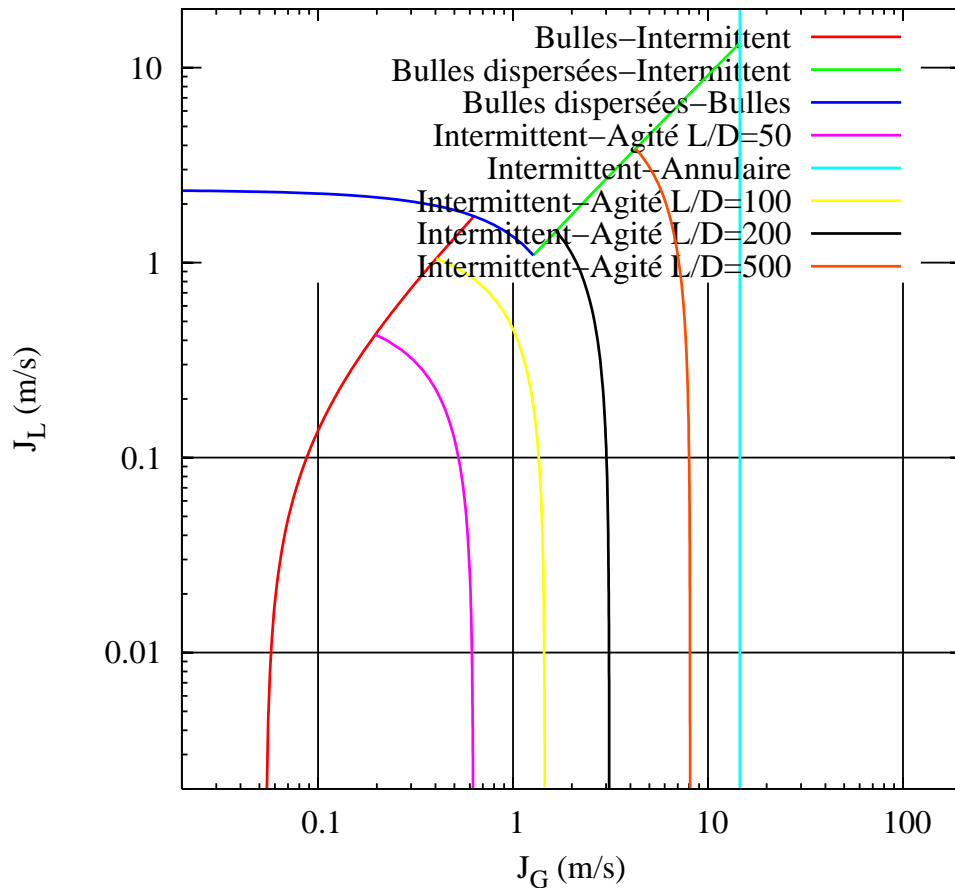
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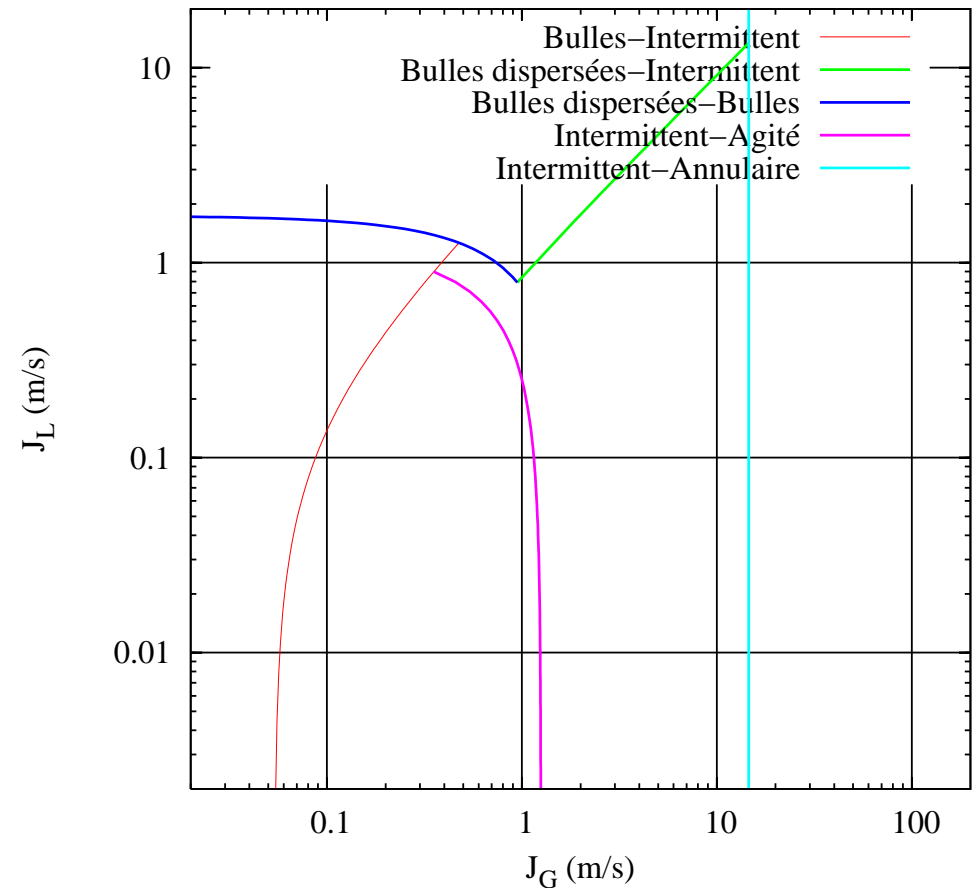
Small diameter pipes:
no bubbly flow.

Air water, $D = 25$ mm, $P = 1$ bar.

APPLICATIONS : VertTD02

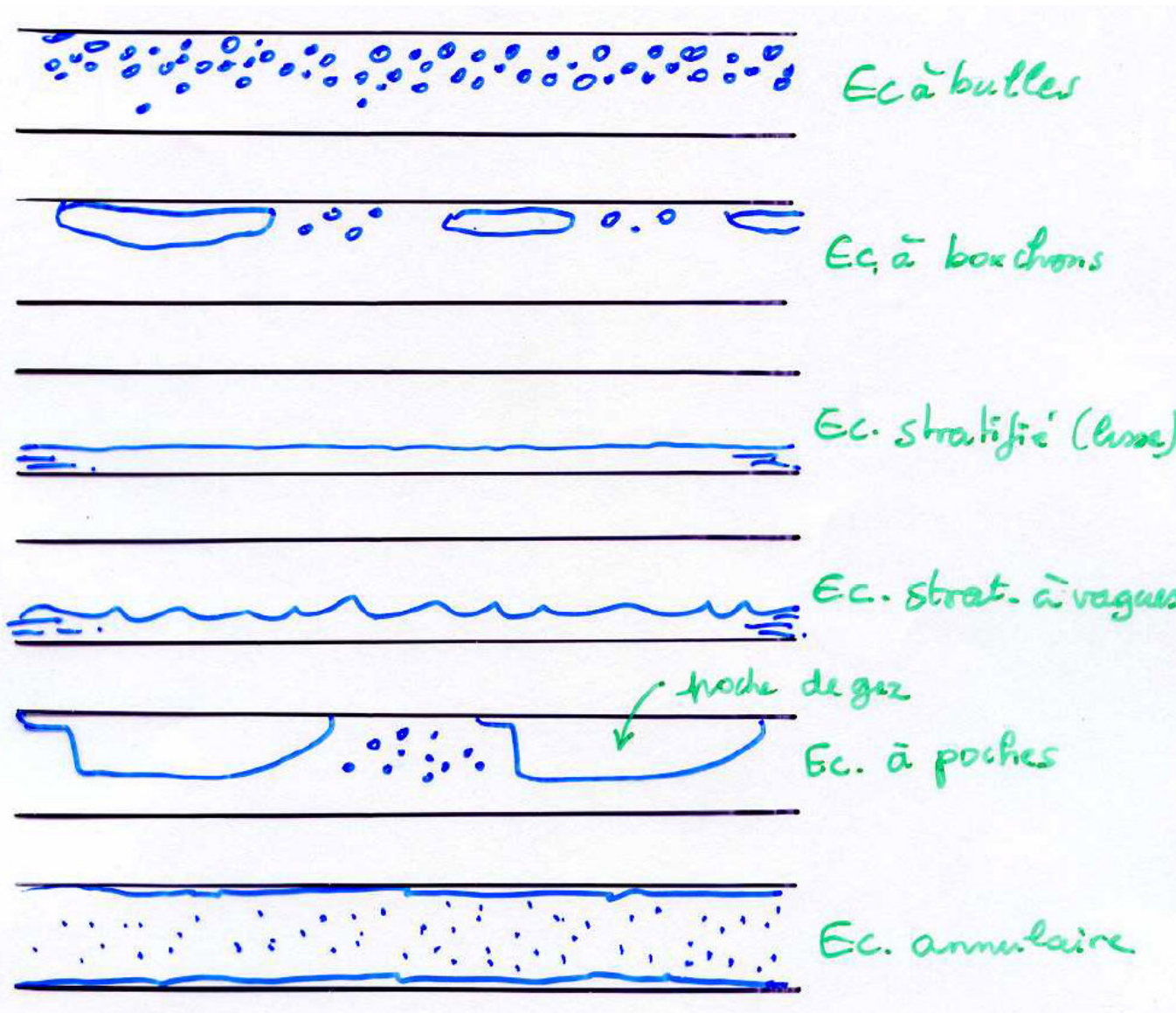


Air-water, 51 mm, 1 bar



Air-water, 25 mm, $L/D = 100$, 1 bar

FLOW PATTERNS IN HORIZONTAL FLOW



Main flow regimes:

- Bubbly
- Plug
- Stratified, smooth or wavy
- Slug of gas and plugs of liquid
- Annular

Modeling the transition based on mechanisms ([Dukler & Taitel, 1986](#)).

FLOW PATTERN IN HORIZONTAL FLOW

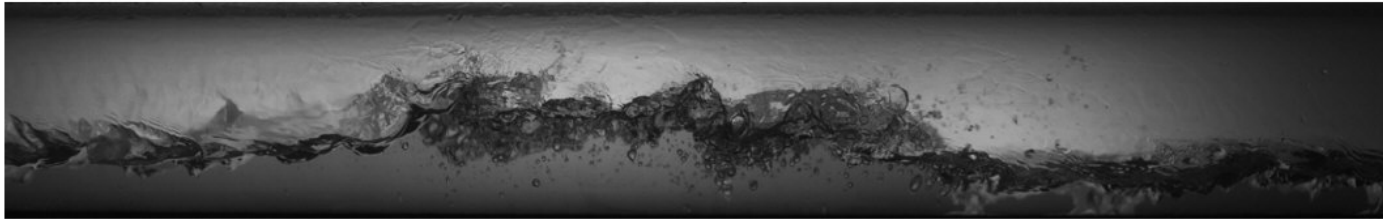


Photo 17, Wavy-stratified flow, with roll waves, Test 33

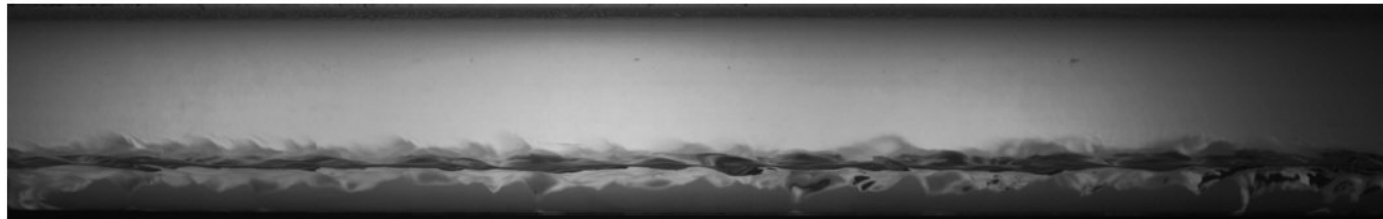


Photo 15 , Wavy-stratified flow, Test 32.

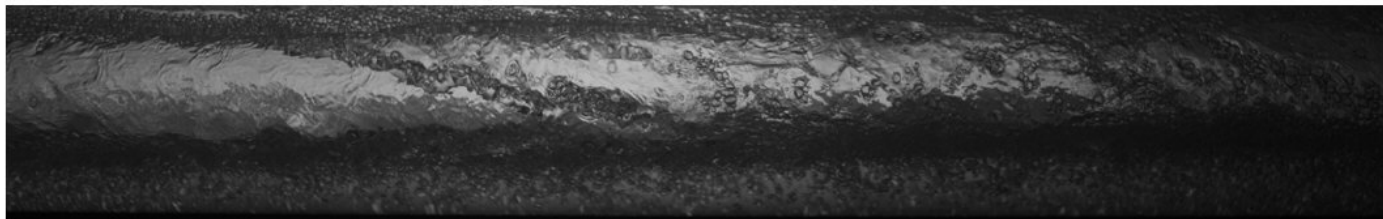


Photo 25, Slug flow.

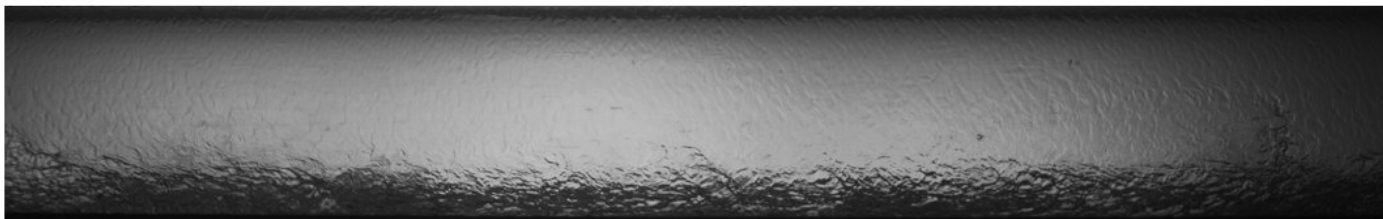


Photo 22, Annular flow.

HORIZONTAL SLUG FLOW

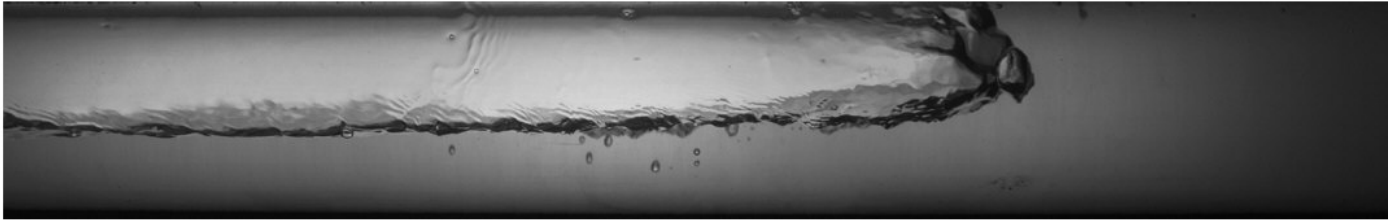


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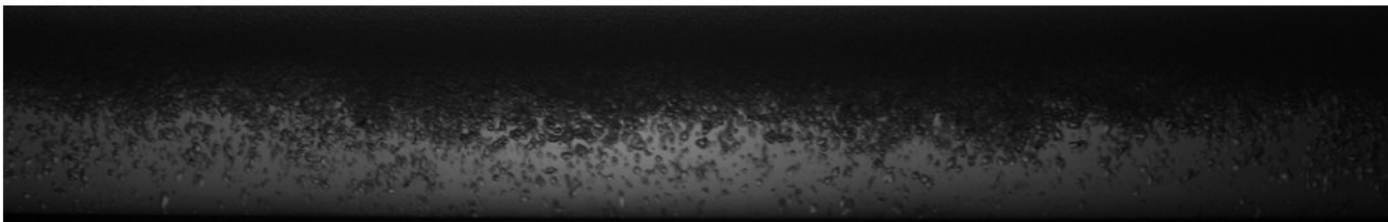


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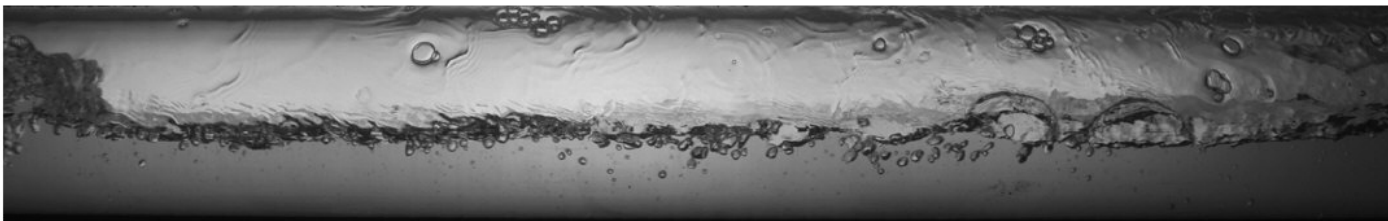


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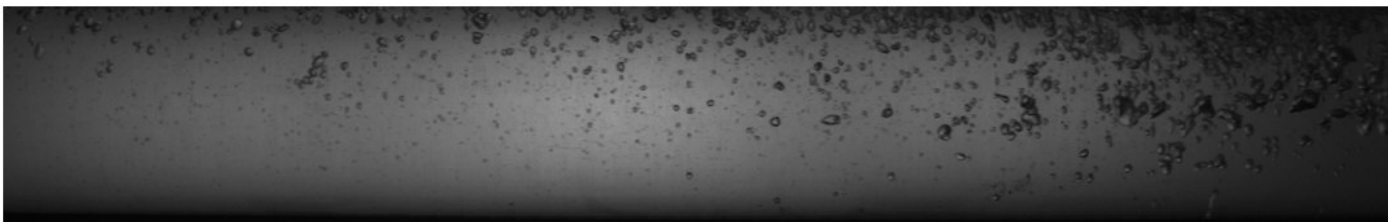
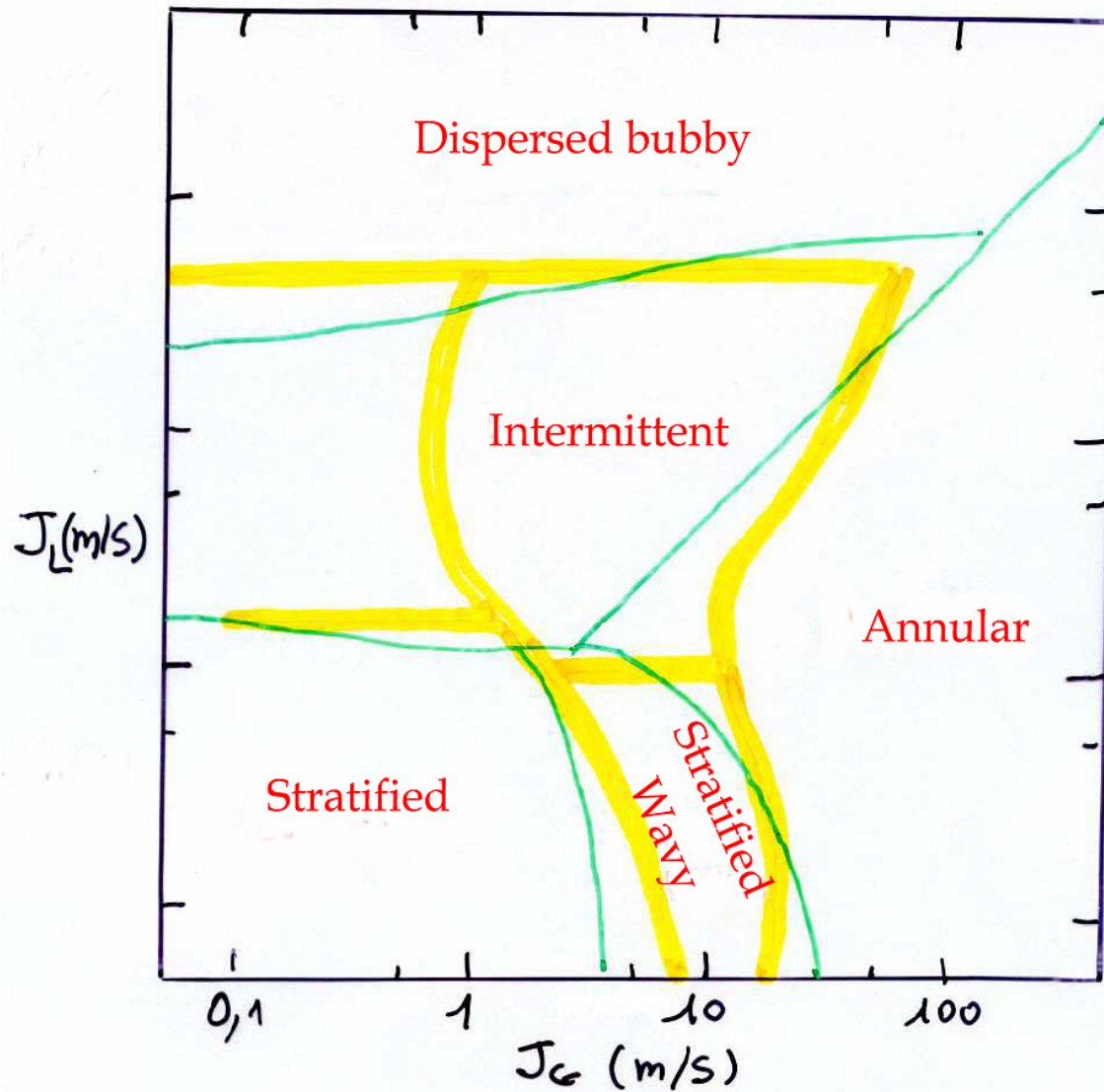


Photo 12.

$$\alpha = 22\%$$

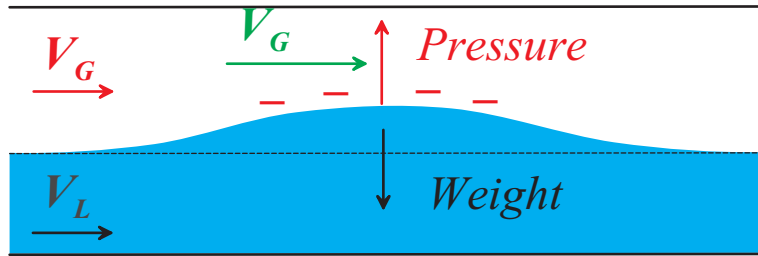
DUKLER AND TAITEL (1976) MODEL



Transition criteria:

- Empirical, e.g.: Mandhane, air-water, 25 mm, 1 bar.
- Mechanistic modeling of transition ([Dukler & Taitel, 1986](#)).

TAITEL AND DUKLER (1976) MODEL



- Stability of stratified flow, linear stability analysis (back later on, see also exercises)
- The Kelvin-Helmholtz instability,

$$V_G \geq C_2 \left[\frac{(\rho_L - \rho_G) \cos \beta A_G}{\rho_G \frac{dA_L}{dh}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad C_2 \approx 1 - \frac{h}{D}$$

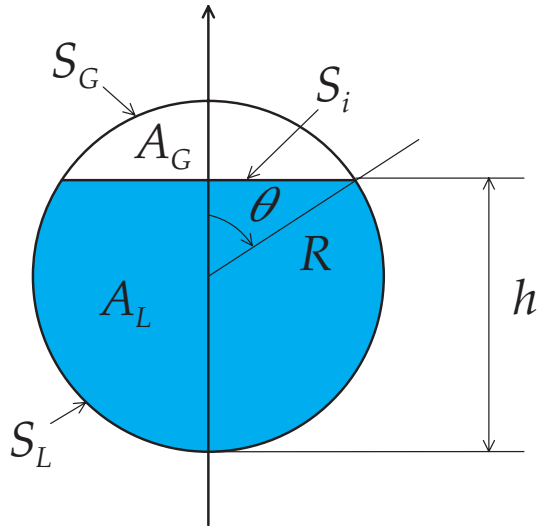
- Base flow: smooth an horizontal interface

$$\tau_G \frac{S_G}{A_G} - \tau_L \frac{S_L}{A_L} + \tau_i \left(\frac{S_i}{A_L} + \frac{S_i}{A_G} \right) + (\rho_L - \rho_G) g \sin \beta = 0$$

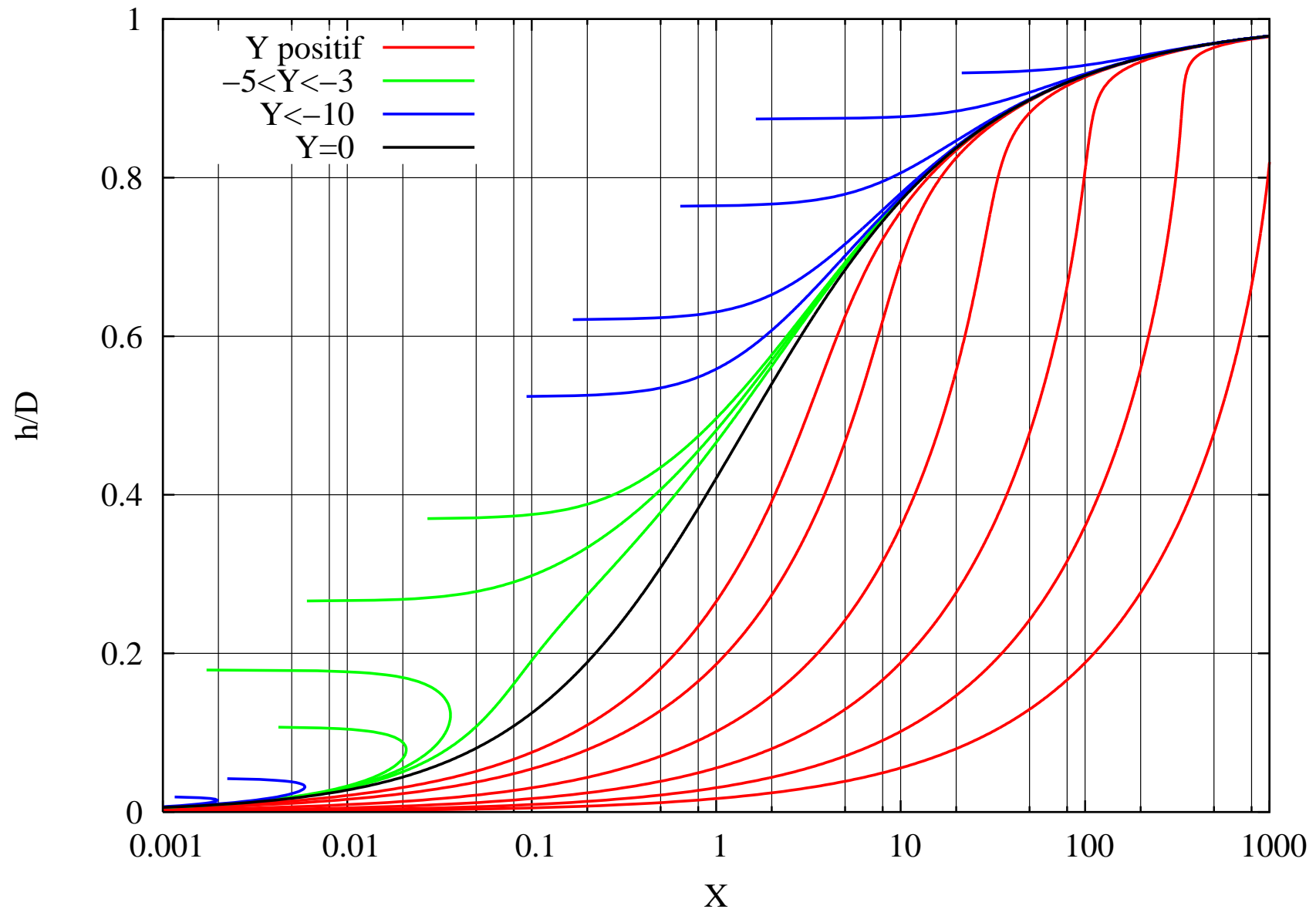
$$X^2 f(A, D, A_L, P_L, D_L) - g(A, D, A_G, P_G, D_G, P_i) - 4Y$$

$$X^2 = \frac{\frac{1}{2} C_L \rho_L J_L^2 Re_{LS}^{-n}}{\frac{1}{2} C_G \rho_G J_G^2 Re_{GS}^{-n}} = \left| \frac{(dP/dz)_{LS}}{(dP/dz)_{GS}} \right|.$$

$$Y = \frac{(\rho_L - \rho_G) g \sin \beta}{\frac{4}{D} \frac{1}{2} \rho_G J_G^2 C_G Re_G^{-m}}$$



TAITEL AND DUKLER (1976) MODEL



TAITEL AND DUKLER (1976) MODEL

- Transition, stratified flow instability:

$$F^2 \left(\frac{1}{C_2^2} \frac{\tilde{U}_G^2 \frac{d\tilde{A}_G}{d\tilde{h}}}{\tilde{A}_G} \right) \geq 1, \quad \tilde{U}_G = \frac{A}{A_G}, \quad F = \left(\frac{\rho_G}{\rho_G - \rho_L} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{J_G}{(Dg \cos \beta)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

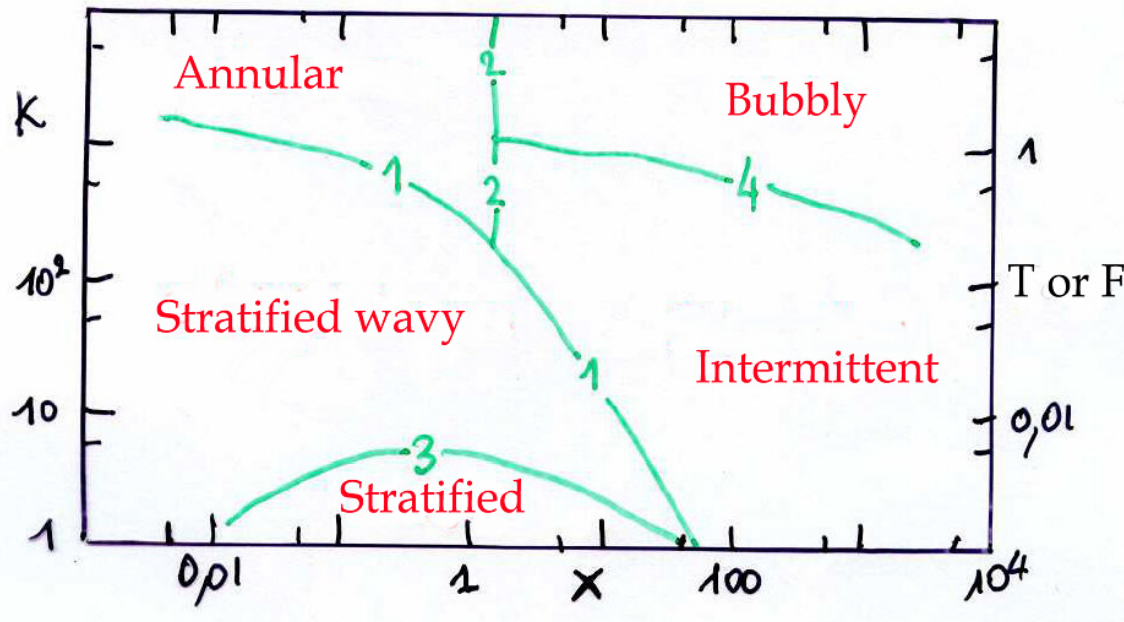
- Towards intermittent flow: $\frac{h}{D} \geq 0,5$
- Towards annular flow: $\frac{h}{D} \leq 0,5$
- Stratified smooth or wavy ?:

$$U_G \geq \left(\frac{4\nu_L(\rho_L - \rho_G)g \cos \beta}{s\rho_G U_L} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad K \geq \frac{2}{\tilde{U}_G \sqrt{s\tilde{U}_L}}, \quad K^2 = \left(\frac{\rho_G J_G^2}{(\rho_L - \rho_G)Dg \cos \beta} \right) \left(\frac{DJ_L}{\nu_L} \right)$$

- Dispersed bubbles:

$$U_L \geq \left(\frac{4A_G}{S_i} \frac{g \cos \beta}{f_L} \left(1 - \frac{\rho_G}{\rho_L} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad T^2 \geq \frac{8\tilde{A}_G}{\tilde{S}_i \tilde{U}_L^2 (\tilde{U}_L \tilde{D}_L)^{-n}}, \quad T = \left(\frac{\left| \frac{dp}{dz} \right|_{LS}}{(\rho_L - \rho_G)g \cos \beta} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

TAITEL AND DUKLER (1976) MODEL



Curves	1 et 2	3	4
Coordinates	F, X	K, X	T, X

$$K = \left(\frac{\rho_G J_G^2}{(\rho_L - \rho_G) D g \cos \beta} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{D J_L}{\nu_L} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$F = \left(\frac{\rho_G}{\rho_G - \rho_L} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{J_G}{(D g \cos \beta)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

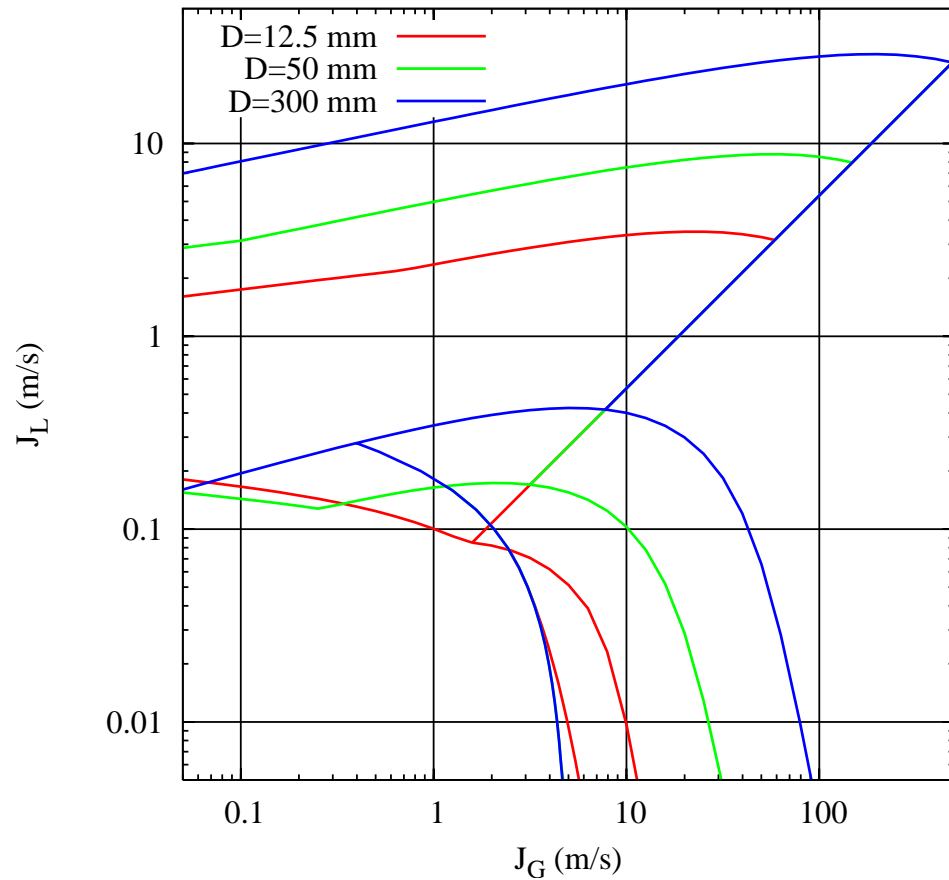
$$T = \left(\frac{\left| \frac{dp}{dz} \right|_{LS}}{(\rho_L - \rho_G) g \cos \beta} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$X = \left| \frac{(dP/dz)_{LS}}{(dP/dz)_{GS}} \right|^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

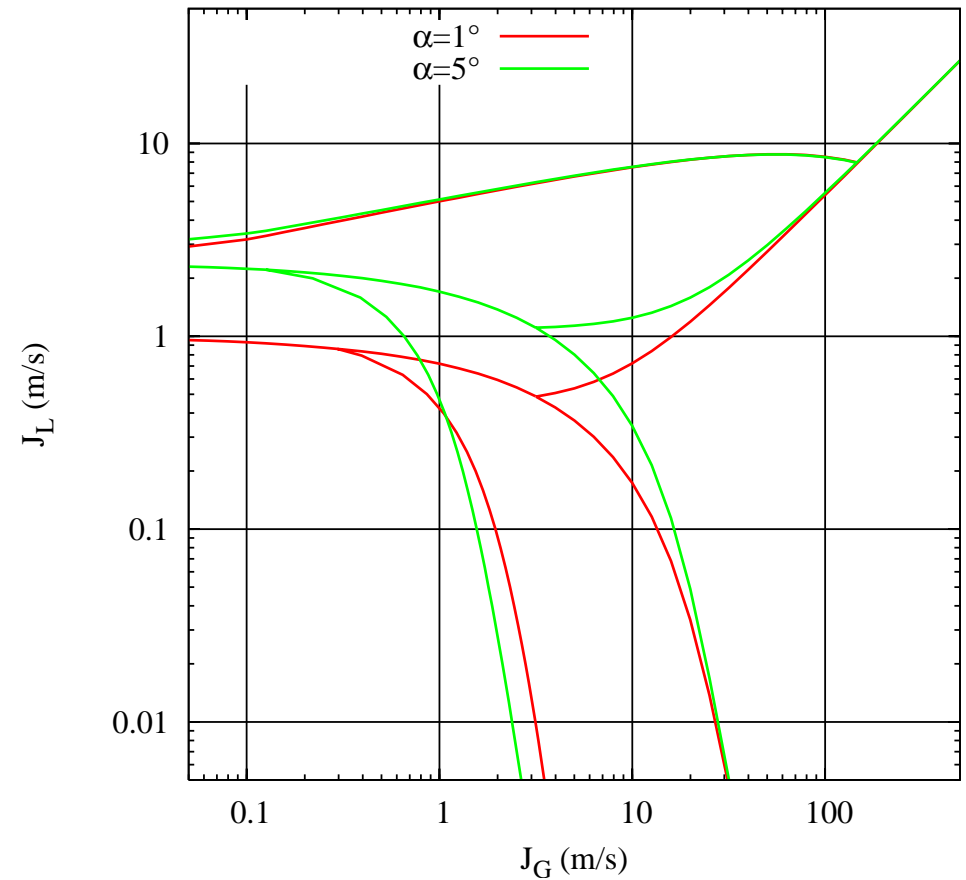
$$\left| \frac{dp}{dz} \right|_S = \frac{4C}{D} \text{Re}^{-n} \frac{\rho J^2}{2}, \quad \text{Re} = \frac{J D}{\nu}$$

- Laminar: $C = 16$, $n = 1$. Turbulent: $C = 0,046$, $n = 0,2$
- β : slope angle, $\beta = 0$, horizontal flow, $\beta > 0$, descending flows.

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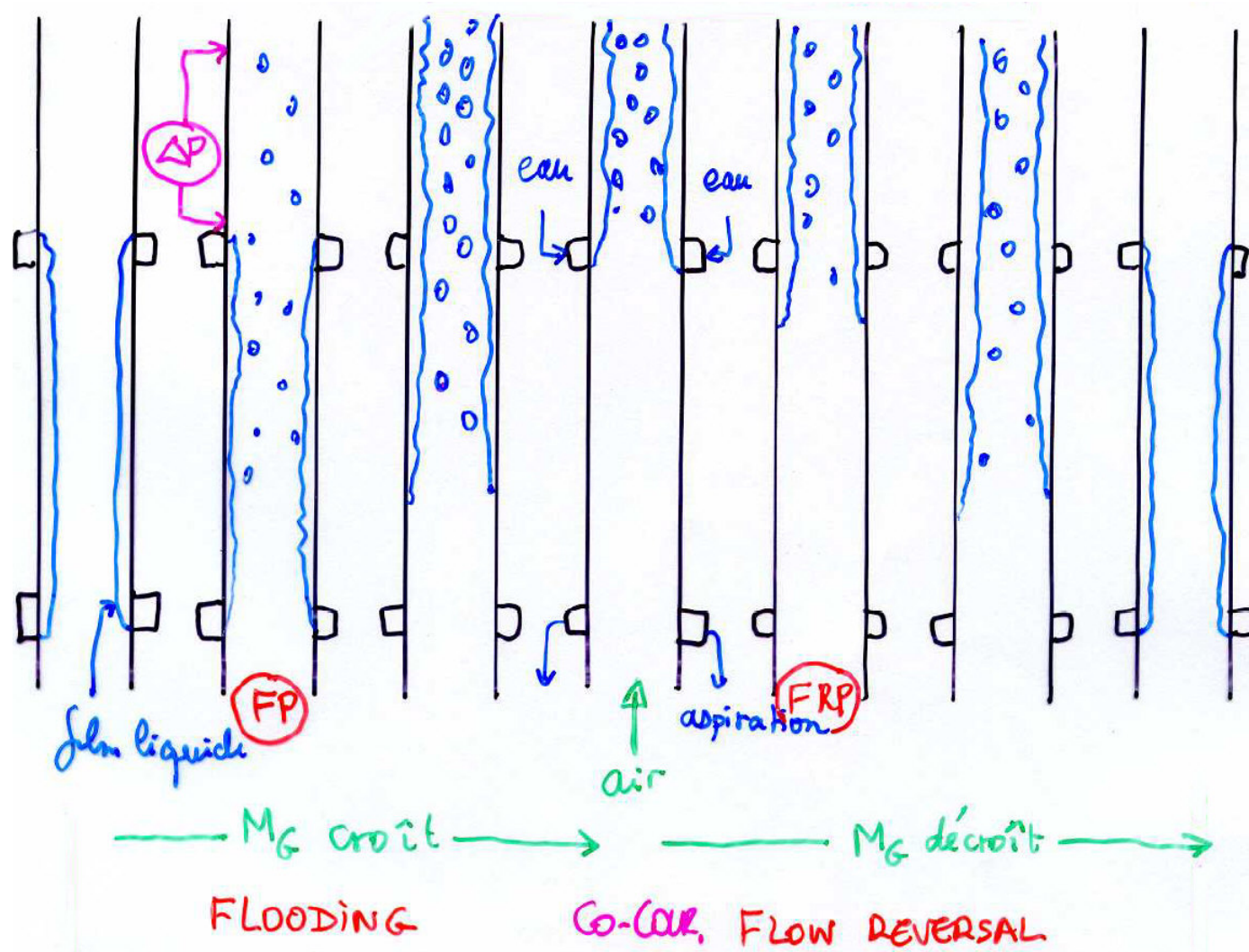


Air-Water, 50 mm, 1 bar, $\beta = 0$



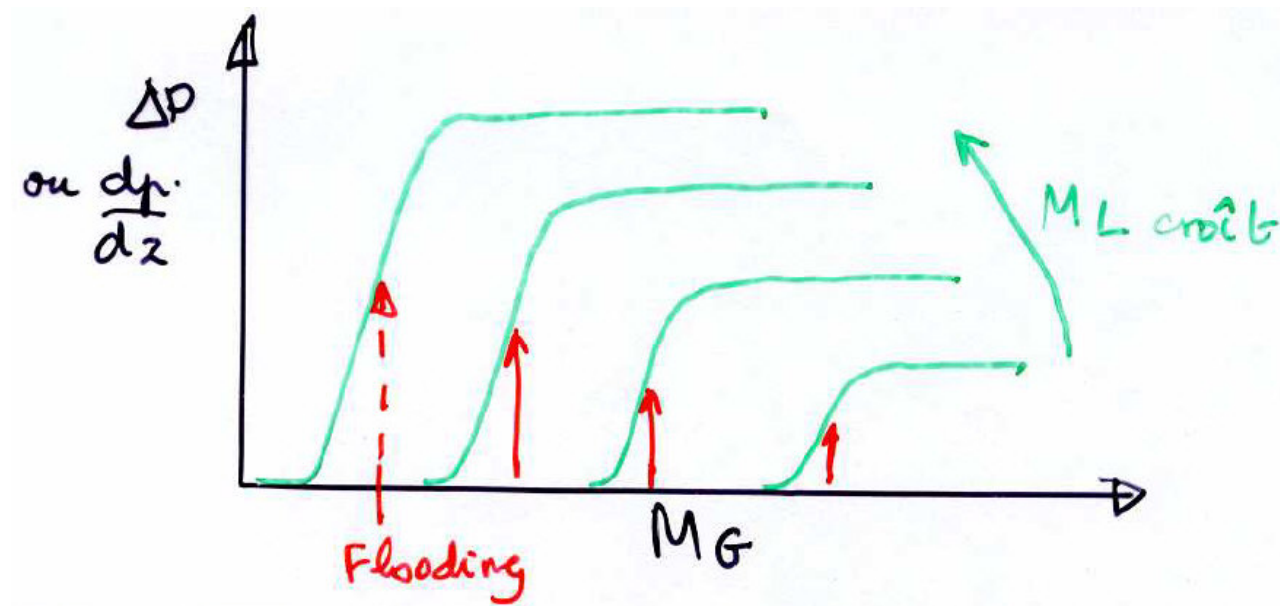
Air-water, 50 mm, 1 bar

FLOODING AND FLOW REVERSAL



Flooding: transition from counter-current towards co-current up flow. Flow reversal: reverse transition

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Modeling of flooding and flow reversal see also [Bankoff & Chun Lee \(1986\)](#).

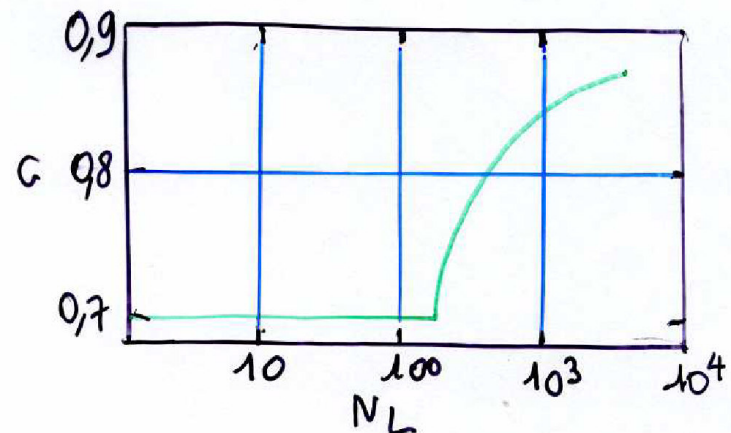
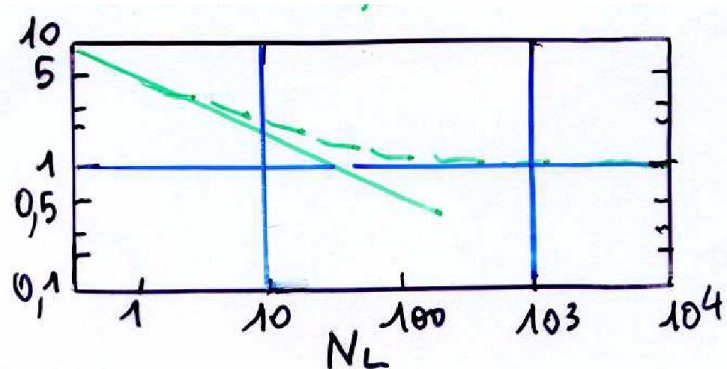
WALLIS MODEL

$J_k^* \approx$ Froude number.

$$J_G^* = \frac{J_G \rho_G^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(gD(\rho_L - \rho_G))^{\frac{1}{2}}}, \quad J_L^* = \frac{J_L \rho_L^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(gD(\rho_L - \rho_G))^{\frac{1}{2}}}, \quad \boxed{J_G^{*\frac{1}{2}} + m J_L^{*\frac{1}{2}} = C}$$

m and C depend on $N_L = \left(\frac{\rho_L g D^3 (\rho_L - \rho_G)}{\mu_L^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \equiv Gr$

$$N_L > 1000 \begin{cases} m = 1 \\ 0,88 < C < 1 \text{ (smooth inlet)} \\ C = 0,725 \text{ (sharp inlet)} \end{cases}, \quad N_L < 1000 \begin{cases} m = 5, 6 N_L^{-1/2} \\ C = 0,725 \end{cases}$$



FLOODING ET FLOW REVERSAL

- Wallis model: no pipe length effect.
 - Some experiments show J_G^* increase with the increase of L . Favors the wave instability mechanism.
 - Many specific correlations.
- Flow reversal
 - Wallis model, $J_G^*(\text{FR}) \neq J_G^*(\text{Flooding})$, hysteresis effect, pipe diameter effect.

$$J_G^* = \frac{J_G \rho_G^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(gd(\rho_L - \rho_G))^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 0,5$$

- Puskina and Sorokin model,

$$Ku = \frac{J_G \rho_G^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(g\sigma(\rho_L - \rho_G))^{\frac{1}{4}}} = 3,2$$

- Control mechanisms: still an open problem.

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