

# Conditional damped random surface velocity model of turbulent jet breakup

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## Goal: Model turbulent jet breakup at low ambient densities

- ▶ Liquid jet in low density quiescent gaseous environment
- ▶ Jet is statistically steady
- ▶ Jet is turbulent at nozzle exit (No transition)
- ▶ Newtonian fluid, low Mach number

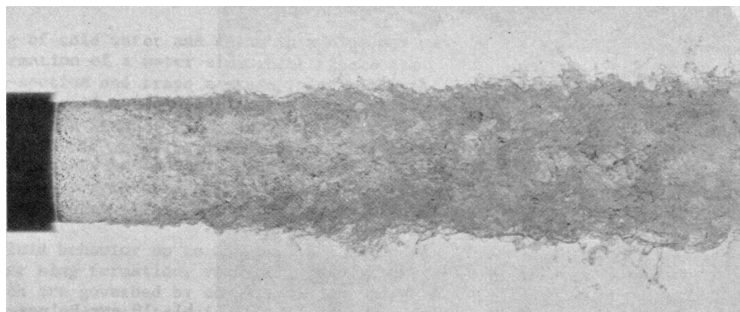
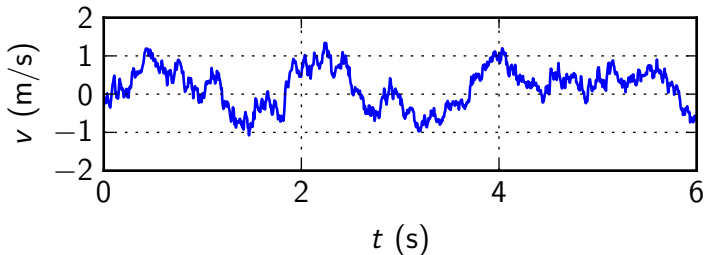


Figure: Pipe jet from Hoyt and Taylor (1980, fig. 1a).  $Re_{l0} \approx 5 \cdot 10^5$ .

## Basic ideas of model

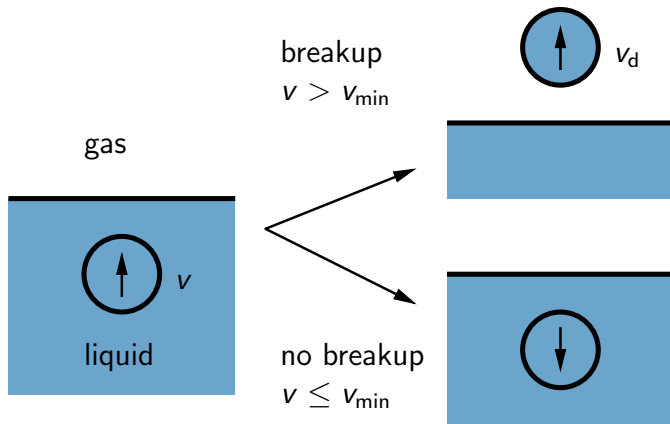
- ▶ Phenomenological model framework — I hope I am asking the right questions as I'm providing fully right answers.
- ▶ Model based around turbulence as a random process. Averages are computed directly, so CDRSV theory is an improvement over scaling estimates, e.g., Faeth group theory.
- ▶ Averages are *conditional*, because the definitions of the quantities of interest imply droplets are formed.



## Ex.: mean droplet radial velocity *without damping* (1/3)

Jet breakup models often *assume*  $\langle v_d \rangle \propto v'$ . CDRSV theory can easily *mathematically derive* this result and predict the constant.

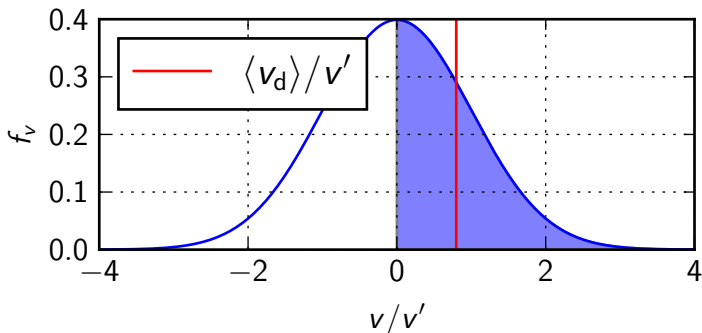
An eddy of radial velocity  $v$  is approaching the free surface.



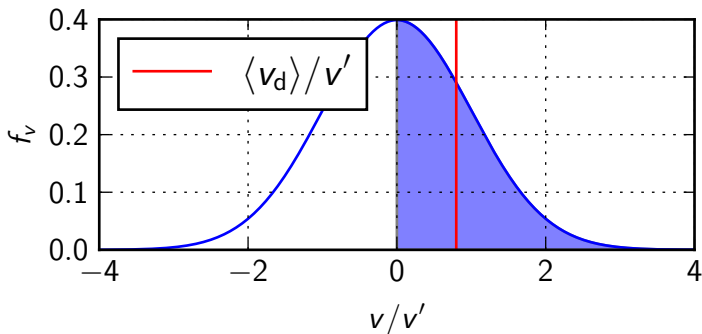
## Ex.: mean droplet radial velocity *without damping* (2/3)

In this example, the free surface presents no obstacle to the eddy. So  $v_d = v$ . (No damping.)

A droplet is formed if  $v_d > 0$ , so if  $v > v_{\min} = 0$  (in this case). I abbreviate this condition as DF (droplet formation).

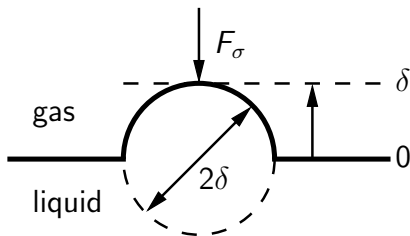


## Ex.: mean droplet radial velocity *without damping* (3/3)



$$\begin{aligned} \langle v_d \rangle &= \langle v_d \mid DF \rangle = \langle v \mid DF \rangle = \int_{v_{\min}}^{\infty} v \cdot \underbrace{\left( \frac{f(v)}{\int_{v_{\min}}^{\infty} f(v) dv} \right)}_{\text{conditional density}} dv \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2v}{\sqrt{2\pi v'^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{v^2}{2v'^2}\right) dv = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} v' \end{aligned}$$

## Droplet radial velocity model



$$v_d = v \sqrt{1 - \frac{12 C_{\text{lig}}^2 C_F \sigma}{C_V \rho_l v^2 \ell}} = v \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{We}_{T,\text{crit}}}{\text{We}_T}}$$

leading to the minimum (Hinze) scales if an inertial range spectrum is used for the eddy sizes:

$$v_\sigma \equiv \underbrace{\left( \frac{\text{We}_{T,\text{crit}}}{2\pi} \right)^{1/5}}_{C_{v\sigma}} \left( \frac{\sigma \varepsilon}{\rho_l} \right)^{1/5}$$

## Sauter mean diameter ( $D_{32}$ ) theory (1/2)

Wu, Tseng, and Faeth (1992, p. 312) assume that  $D_{32} \propto \langle \ell \mid DF \rangle$ .

I instead apply an energy balance:

$$\sigma \frac{SA}{\mathcal{V}} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_l (v^2 - v_d^2).$$

Averaging:

$$\sigma \left\langle \frac{SA}{\mathcal{V}} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \rho_l \left\langle v^2 - v_d^2 \mid DF \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \rho_l We_{T,crit} \left\langle \frac{v^2}{We_T} \mid DF \right\rangle,$$

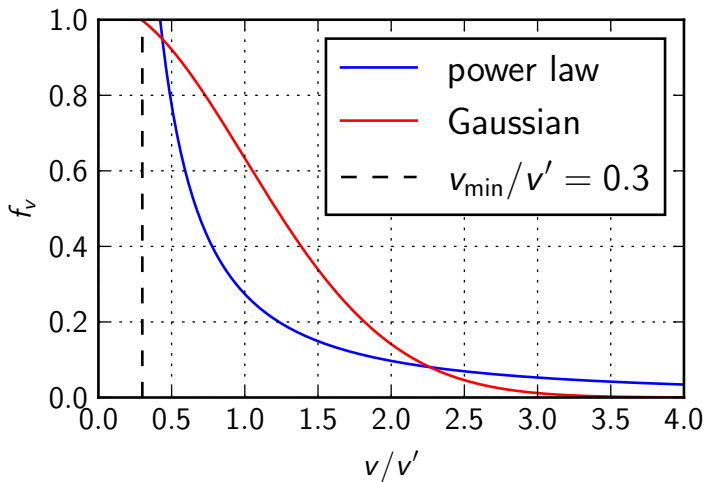
which returns (using  $\langle SA/\mathcal{V} \rangle \approx \langle SA \rangle / \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle = 6/D_{32}$ ):

$$D_{32} = \frac{12}{We_{T,crit}} \left\langle \ell^{-1} \mid DF \right\rangle^{-1}.$$

(A *harmonic* mean, not arithmetic!)



## Velocity fluctuation probability density functions



$$f_v(v) = \frac{\alpha - 1}{v_{\min}} \left( \frac{v}{v_{\min}} \right)^{-\alpha} \longrightarrow f_v(v) \propto v^{-\alpha}$$

## Sauter mean diameter ( $D_{32}$ ) theory (2/2)

Power law velocity probability density function:  $f_v(v) \propto v^{-\alpha}$ .

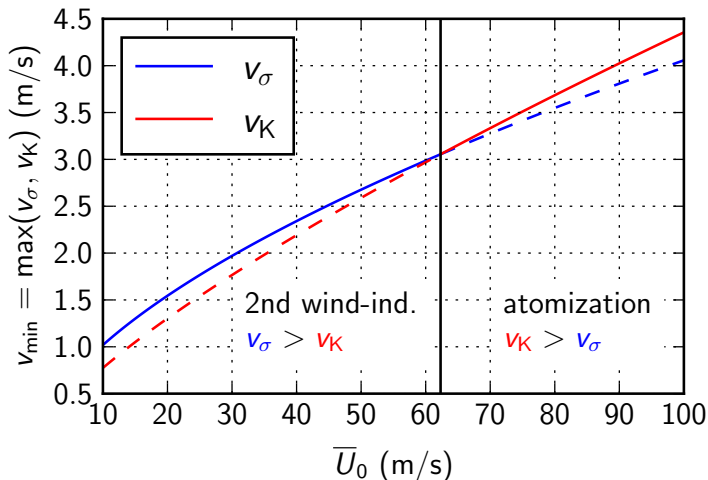
Using the inertial range spectrum to relate eddy velocities to eddy length scales returns:

$$\frac{D_{32}}{d_0} = \frac{24\pi}{We_{T,crit}} \frac{\langle v^{-3} \mid v > v_{min} \rangle}{C_K^{1/2} \varepsilon} = C_{D_{32}} \overline{Tu}_0^{-6/5} We_{10}^{-3/5} \left( \frac{\Lambda_0}{d_0} \right)^{2/5} .$$

Compare against empirical regression (initial droplet diameter data from Faeth group):

$$\frac{D_{32}}{d_0} = 0.8082 \left( \overline{Tu}_0^2 We_{10} \right)^{-0.6988} .$$

## Regime transition theory (1/2)



$v_{\sigma}$  — Hinze scale  
(surface tension controlled)

$v_K$  — Kolmogorov scale  
(viscosity controlled)

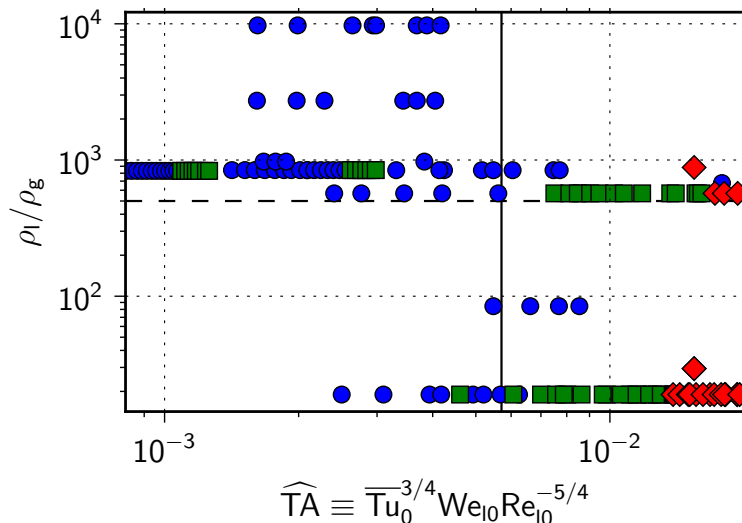
## Regime transition theory (2/2)

- ▶ Equating the  $v_\sigma$  and  $v_K$  and rearranging leads to:

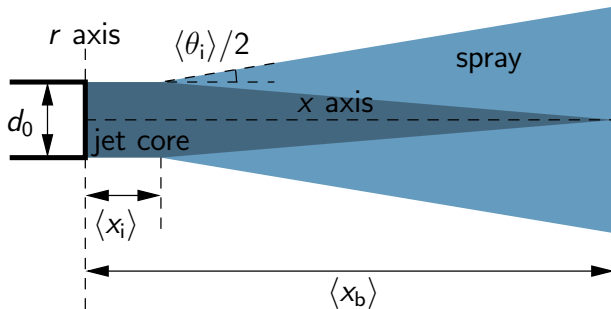
$$\text{TA}_{\text{crit}} = C_\varepsilon^{1/4} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{3/8} \left[ \left( \overline{\text{T}u}_0^3 \frac{d_0}{\Lambda_0} \right)^{1/4} \text{We}_{10} \text{Re}_{10}^{-5/4} \right]_{\text{crit}} .$$

- ▶ For simplicity I'll define  $\widehat{\text{TA}} \equiv \overline{\text{T}u}_0^{3/4} \text{We}_{10} \text{Re}_{10}^{-5/4}$ .

## Regime transition data comparison



## Jet quantities of interest



- ▶  $d_0$  — nozzle diameter
- ▶  $D_{32}$  — Sauter mean diameter
- ▶  $\langle v_d \rangle$  — mean radial droplet velocity (only simplified example in talk)
- ▶  $\langle x_i \rangle$  — average breakup onset location (not in talk)
- ▶  $\langle x_b \rangle$  — average breakup length (briefly in talk)
- ▶  $\langle \theta_i \rangle$  — average spray angle (not in talk)

## CDRSV theory summary

- ▶ Ensemble averages in turbulent breakup often are conditioned on droplet formation.
- ▶ Explicit computation of averages can be more insightful than scaling arguments.
- ▶ The change in the minimum scale from the Hinze scale to Kolmogorov scale may partially explain the turbulent atomization regime at low atmospheric densities.
- ▶ CDRSV theory suggests there is a Reynolds number dependence in the atomization regime but not the second wind-induced regime.
- ▶ **Current CDRSV theory is a work in progress.**

# Questions?

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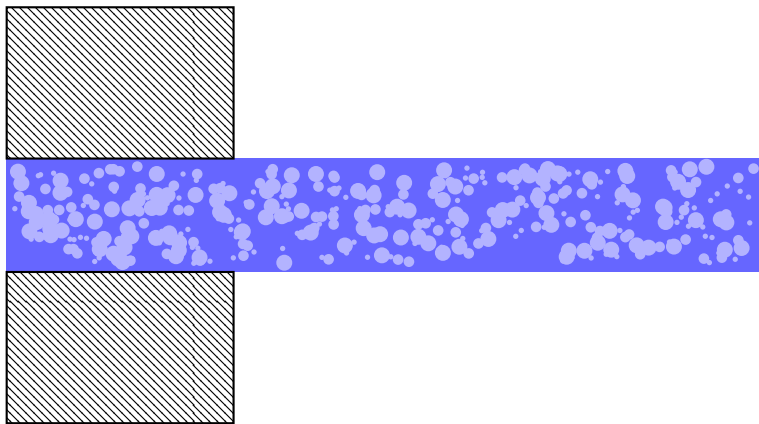
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## Turbulent vs. shear mechanisms of breakup



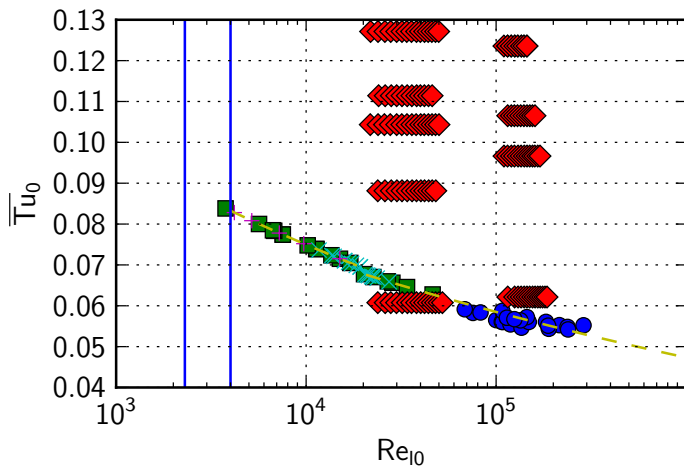
Turbulence is accepted to be the primary cause of breakup at low atmospheric densities. This turbulence is developed upstream and in the nozzle. Shear (e.g., Kelvin-Helmholtz instability) has a reduced role in this case.

## Validation data compilation

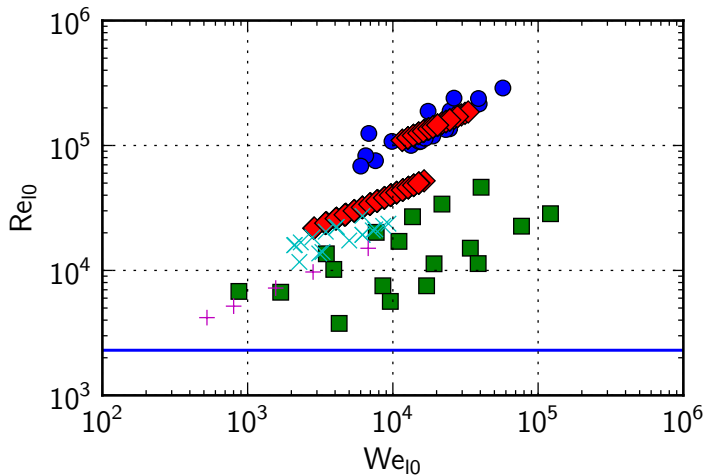
- ▶ Using data compiled from many fully developed “pipe jet” studies because they are common and well characterized.
- ▶ Problems with previous experiments:
  - ▶ little or unknown variation in  $\overline{T}u_0$  (solved by rough pipes)
  - ▶ apples to oranges comparisons: need nozzle standardization to ensure that other variables (e.g., the integral scales, velocity profile, anisotropy) remain consistent
- ▶ Can estimate turbulence intensity from friction factor (idea from Skrebkov (1966), but regression is my own):

$$\overline{T}u_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}k_0}}{U_0} = \frac{\sqrt{u_0'^2}}{U_0} = 0.36552f^{0.45867}$$

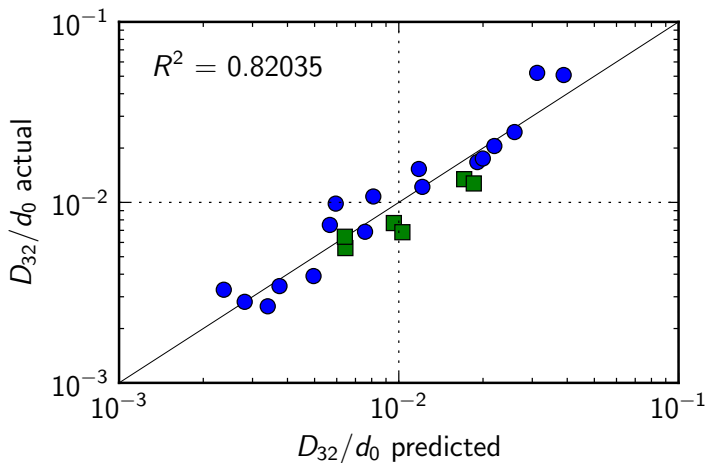
## Confounding example 1



## Confounding example 2



# Sauter mean diameter ( $D_{32}$ ) data comparison (regression)



## Mean droplet radial velocity ( $\langle v_d \rangle$ ) theory

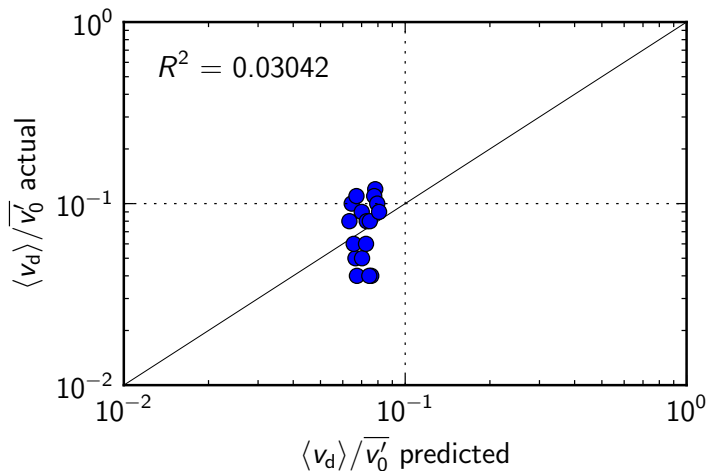
Apply a similar procedure for mean droplet radial velocity:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\langle v_d \rangle}{v_0'} &\approx \frac{\langle v \mid DF \rangle}{v_0'} \left\langle 1 - We_{T,crit} \frac{\sigma}{\rho_l v^2 \ell} \mid DF \right\rangle^{1/2} \\ &= C_{v_d} \overline{Tu}_0^{-2/5} \left( We_{l0} \frac{\Lambda_0}{d_0} \right)^{-1/5}.\end{aligned}$$

Compare against empirical regression:

$$\frac{\langle v_d \rangle}{v_0'} = 0.0487 \left( \overline{Tu}_0^2 We_{l0} \right)^{0.0607}.$$

# Mean droplet radial velocity ( $\langle v_d \rangle$ ) data comparison (regression)



## Breakup onset location ( $x_i$ ) theory

Assume that  $\langle x_i \rangle \approx \bar{U}_0 \langle t_b \rangle$  and note that to second order  $t_b = C_{\text{lig}} \ell / v$ . Now we have  $\langle t_b \rangle \propto \langle \ell / v \mid \text{DF} \rangle$ , which by hypothesis is not affected by the small scales much, so the conditioning has no effect. Then dimensional analysis suggests:

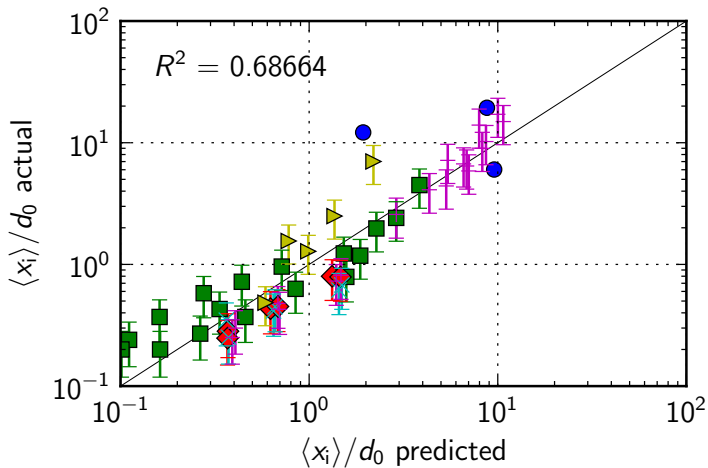
$$\frac{\langle x_i \rangle}{d_0} = \frac{\bar{U}_0 \langle t_b \rangle}{d_0} = \frac{C_{\text{lig}} \bar{U}_0}{d_0} \left\langle \frac{\ell}{v} \mid \text{DF} \right\rangle = C_{x_i} \bar{Tu}_0^{-3} We_{10}^{-1}.$$

Compare against empirical regression:

$$\frac{\langle x_i \rangle}{d_0} = 16.0298 (Tu_0^3 We_{10})^{-0.9567}$$



# Breakup onset location ( $x_i$ ) data comparison (regression)



## Breakup length ( $\langle x_b \rangle$ ) theory (1/2)

Average mass flux:

$$\langle \dot{m}'' \rangle \equiv C_m \left\langle \frac{1}{\ell} \frac{1}{\ell} \frac{v}{\ell} \rho_l \ell^3 \mid DF \right\rangle = C_m \rho_l \langle v \mid DF \rangle.$$

Jet core mass differential equation:

$$\frac{d(\rho_l A(x) \bar{U}_0)}{dx} = -P(x) \dot{m}'' \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{d\langle d_j \rangle}{dx} = -\frac{2\langle \dot{m}'' \rangle}{\rho_l \bar{U}_0}.$$

Solution:

$$\frac{\langle x_b \rangle}{d_0} = \frac{\rho_l \bar{U}_0}{2\langle \dot{m}'' \rangle} = C_{x_b} \bar{Tu}_0^{-3/5} \left( We_{l0} \frac{\Lambda_0}{d_0} \right)^{1/5}.$$

## Breakup length ( $\langle x_b \rangle$ ) theory (2/2)

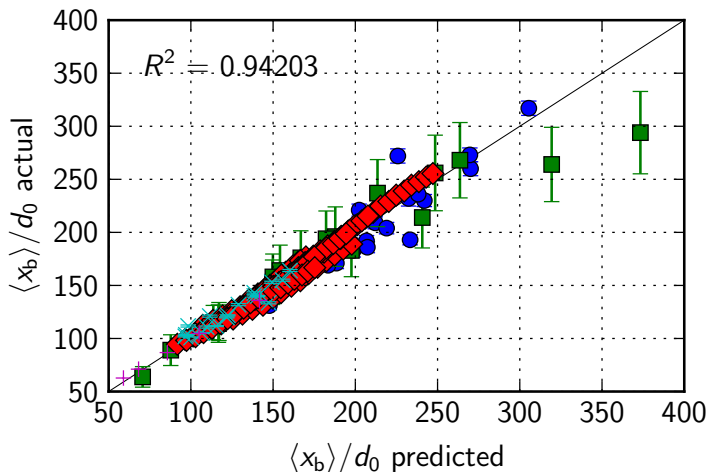
Theory:

$$\frac{\langle x_b \rangle}{d_0} = C_{x_b} \overline{Tu}_0^{-3/5} \left( We_{l0} \frac{\Lambda_0}{d_0} \right)^{1/5}.$$

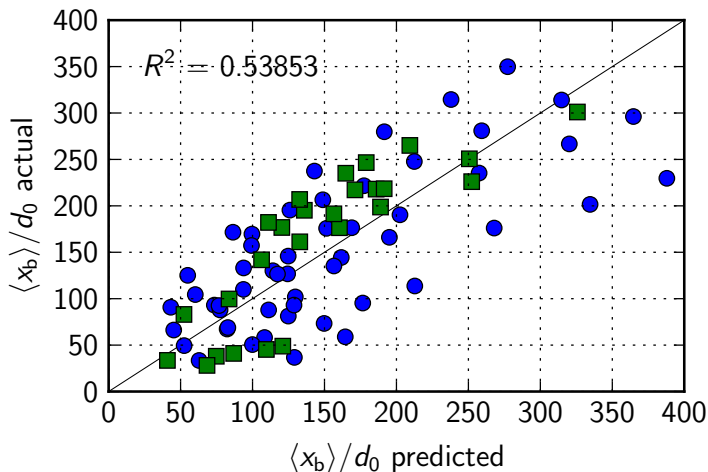
Compare against empirical regression:

$$\frac{\langle x_b \rangle}{d_0} = 3.8911 \overline{Tu}_0^{-0.2685} We_{l0}^{0.3273}.$$

# Breakup length ( $\langle x_b \rangle$ ) data comparison (regression)



# Breakup length ( $\langle x_b \rangle$ ) cross validation (regression)



## Breakup length regimes

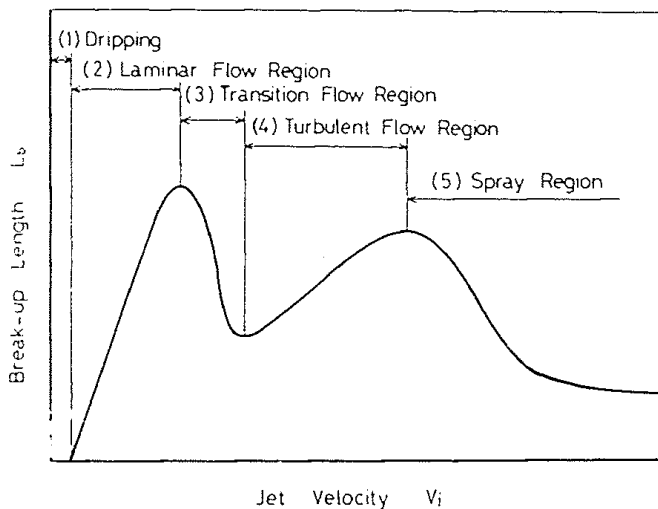


Figure: Breakup length trends from Hiroyasu, Shimizu, and Arai (1982).

## Spray angle ( $\langle\theta_i\rangle$ ) theory

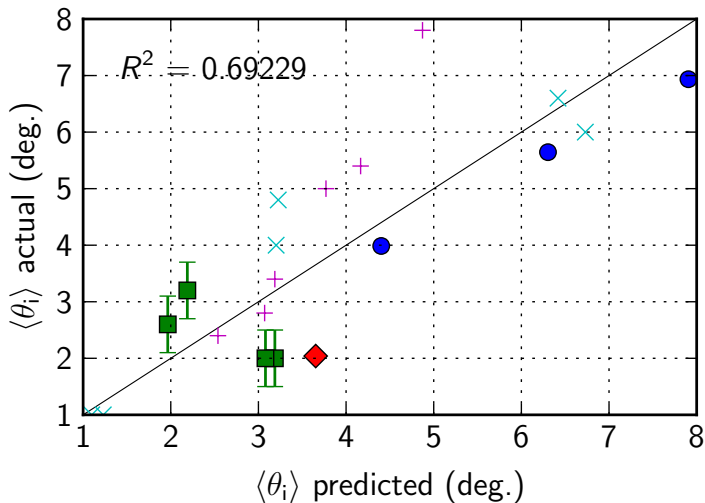
Theory:

$$\tan\left(\frac{\langle\theta\rangle}{2}\right) \approx \left\langle \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right\rangle \equiv \left\langle \frac{v_d}{u_d} \right\rangle \approx \frac{\langle v_d \rangle}{\langle u_d \rangle} = C_{v_d} \overline{Tu}_0^{3/5} \left( We_{l0} \frac{\Lambda_0}{d_0} \right)^{-1/5}.$$

Compare against empirical regression:

$$\tan\left(\frac{\langle\theta\rangle}{2}\right) = 0.003113 \overline{Tu}_0^{0.8730} We_{l0}^{0.4294}.$$

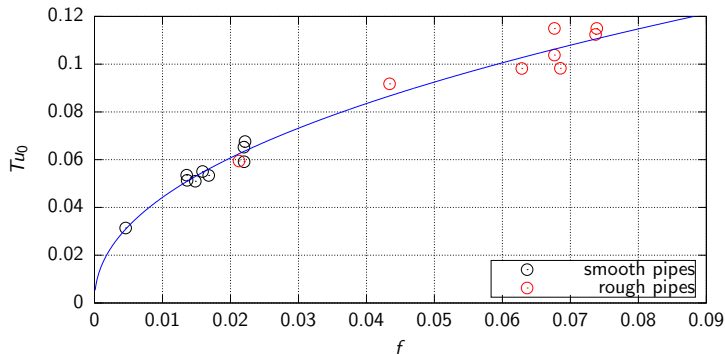
# Spray angle ( $\langle\theta_i\rangle$ ) data comparison (regression)





## Fully developed pipe $\overline{Tu}_0$ regression

$$\overline{Tu}_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}k_0}}{U_0} = \frac{\sqrt{u_0'^2}}{U_0} = 0.36552f^{0.45867}$$



## Is the minimum scale zero? (In reply to Marios Soteriou's keynote speech)

- ▶ Eddy vs. surface perturbation vs. droplet sizes.
- ▶ There may be a minimum for primary breakup but not secondary breakup.
- ▶ The distribution may be well approximated by a minimum at a certain point, below which the frequency of occurrence is small.
- ▶ CDRSV theory at the moment assumes one droplet is formed per eddy event. I have done some work to generalize the theory beyond this, which would suggest that arbitrarily small droplets can be formed from eddy velocities which are not commensurately small. So the minimum velocity idea can still be valid even with a minimum droplet diameter of zero.

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