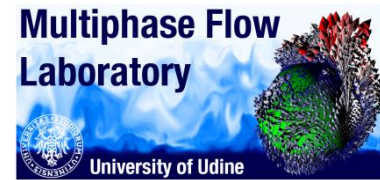




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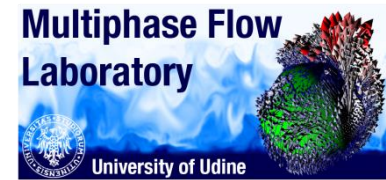
Pressure loss evaluation in polymer and fibres laden flows

Update on Test Case

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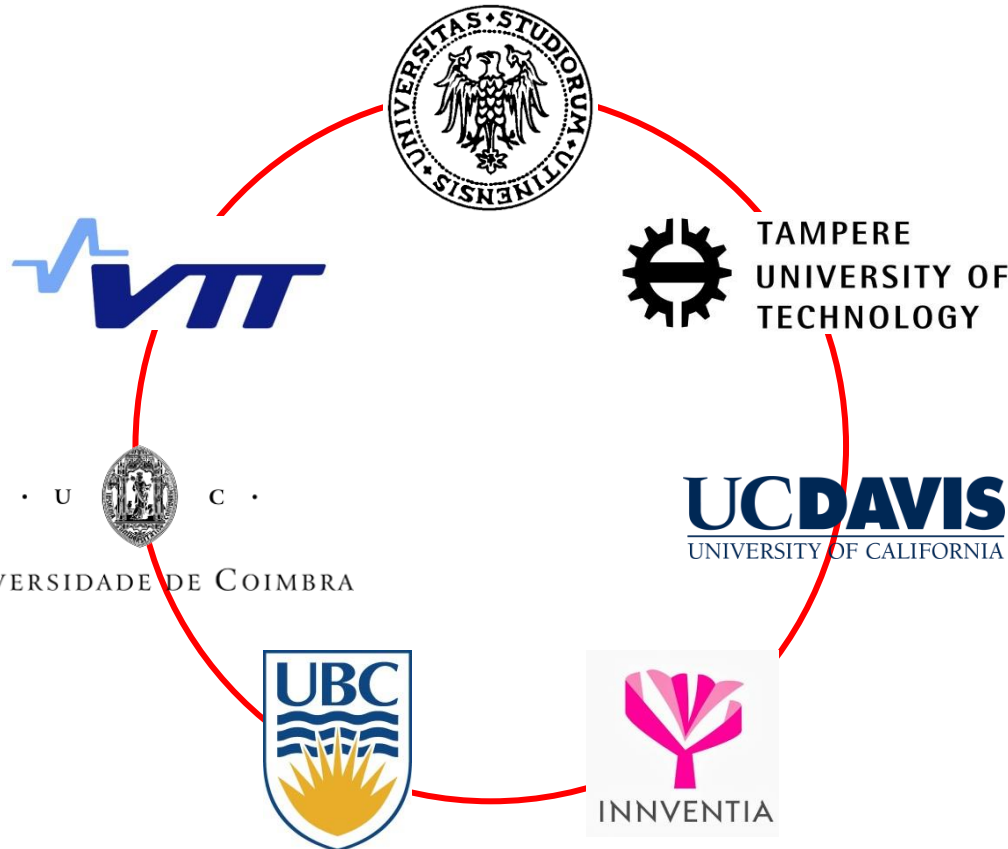
Motivation



Develop a collaborative benchmark to perform pressure loss evaluation on polymer and fibre laden flows in different flow conditions (pipe dimensions, pipe material, flow regimes, pumping equipment,...)



Pulp and paper industry

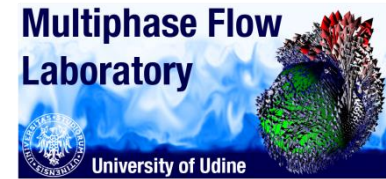


Fluid transport





Test cases



Polyox
(PEO)

- PEO WSR 301, $M_w=4 \cdot 10^6$ g/mole
- PEO WSR 308, $M_w=8 \cdot 10^6$ g/mole

Effect of molecular weight

Polyamide fibres

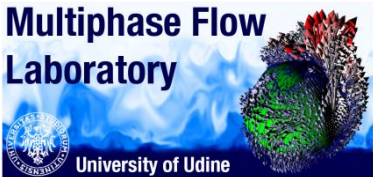
- Dtex 0.9 $L/D=120$ ($D_f=10$ μm , $L_f=1.2$ mm)
- Dtex 3.3 $L/D=16$ ($D_f=20$ μm , $L_f=0.32$ mm)
- Dtex 3.3 $L/D=120$ ($D_f=20$ μm , $L_f=2.4$ mm)

Effect of diameter at constant L/D , effect of
 L/D at constant diameter

Dtex: density per unit length



Test cases



Optional Test: on POLYOX 301	UNIUD	TUT/MEIFRG	VTT	UBC	UCDavis	CIEPQPF-UC
C=0.00025% (2,5 ppm)						
C=0,00075% (7,5 ppm)						
C=0,0020% (20 ppm)						

Optional Test: on POLYOX 308	UNIUD	TUT/MEIFRG	VTT	UBC	UCDavis	CIEPQPF-UC
C=0.0001% (1 ppm)						
C=0,0005% (5 ppm)						
C=0,0010% (10 ppm)						

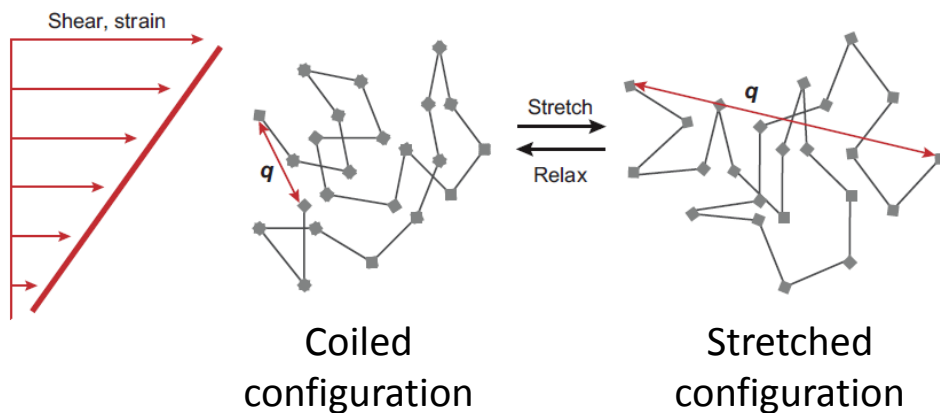
Optional Test: on POLYOX 308	UNIUD	TUT/MEIFRG	VTT	UBC	UCDavis	CIEPQPF-UC
C=0.0002% (2 ppm)						
C=0,0015% (15 ppm)						
C=0,0020% (20 ppm)						

Participating
Non Participating

UNIUD	TUT	VTT	UC
100 mm	20 mm	16 mm	100 mm



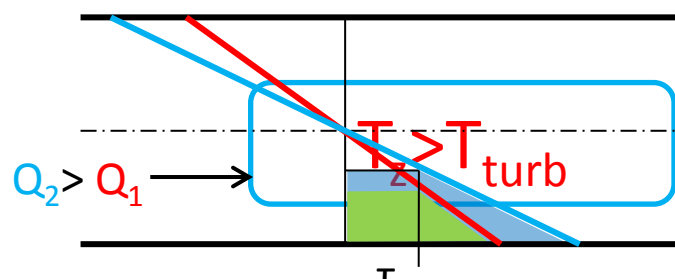
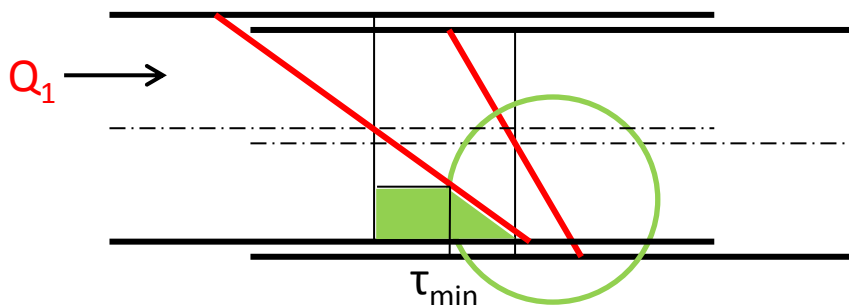
Polymer drag reduction mechanism



Minimum level of shear stress

Polymer relaxation time:

T_z



Weissenberg number

Stress not
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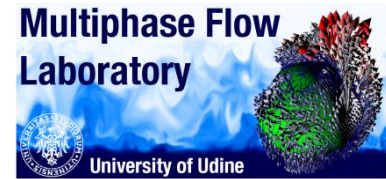
Limiting Drag Reduction LDR=f

Maximum Drag Reduction

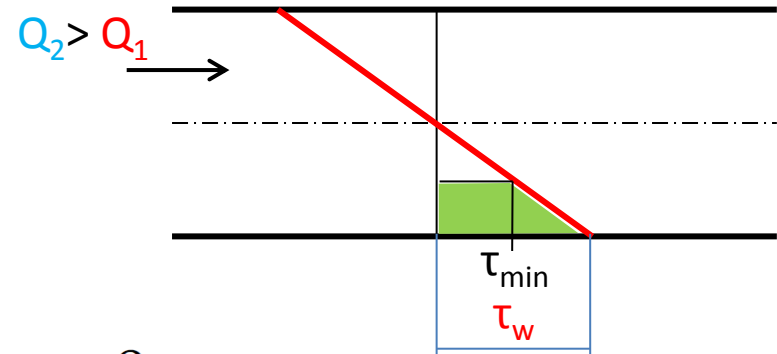
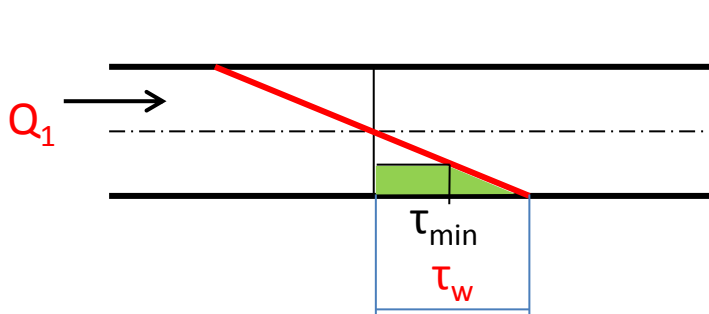
$$We_\tau = \frac{T_z}{T_{turb}} = \frac{T_z \nu_0}{u_\tau^2} > 1$$



Drag Reduction mechanism



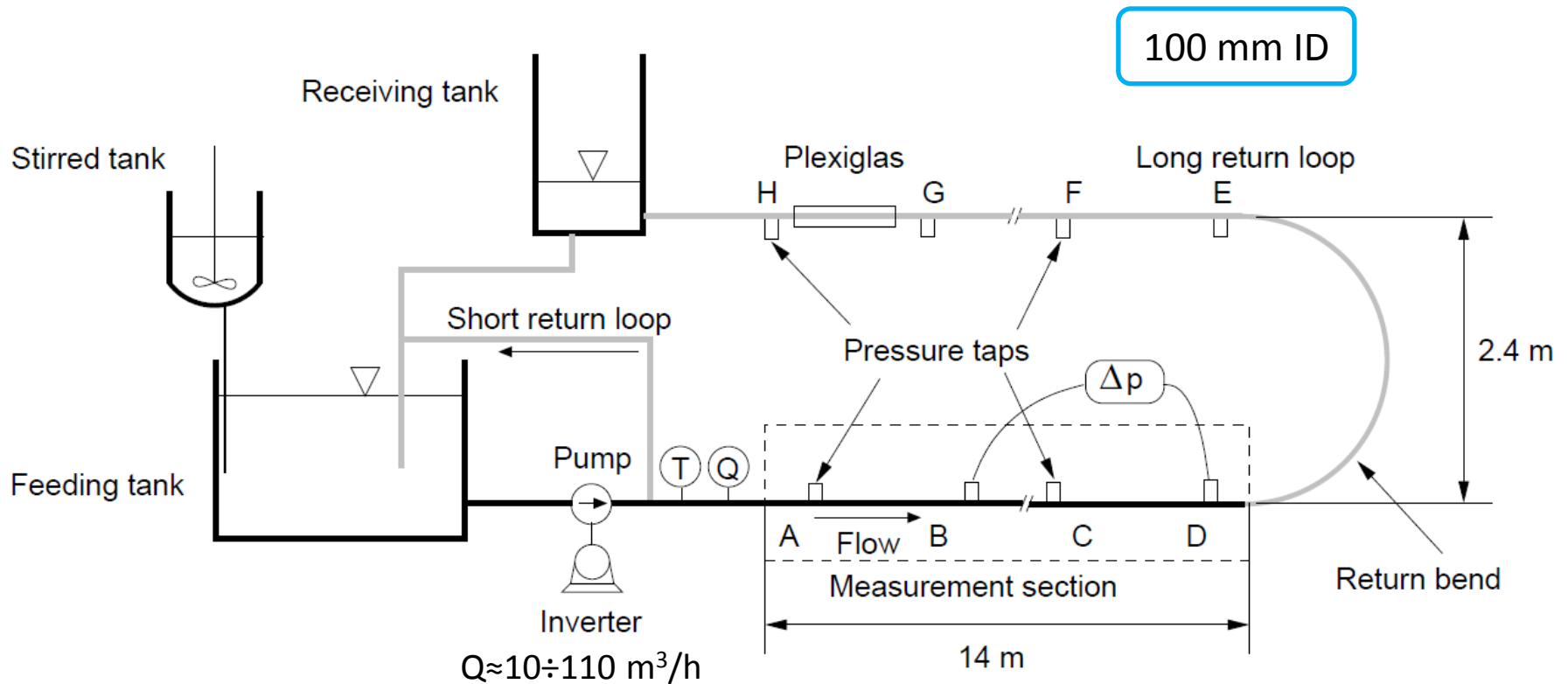
Diameter effect



$$\tau_w = \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \mu \dot{\gamma} = \mu \frac{8u}{D} = \text{const}$$



Experimental rig

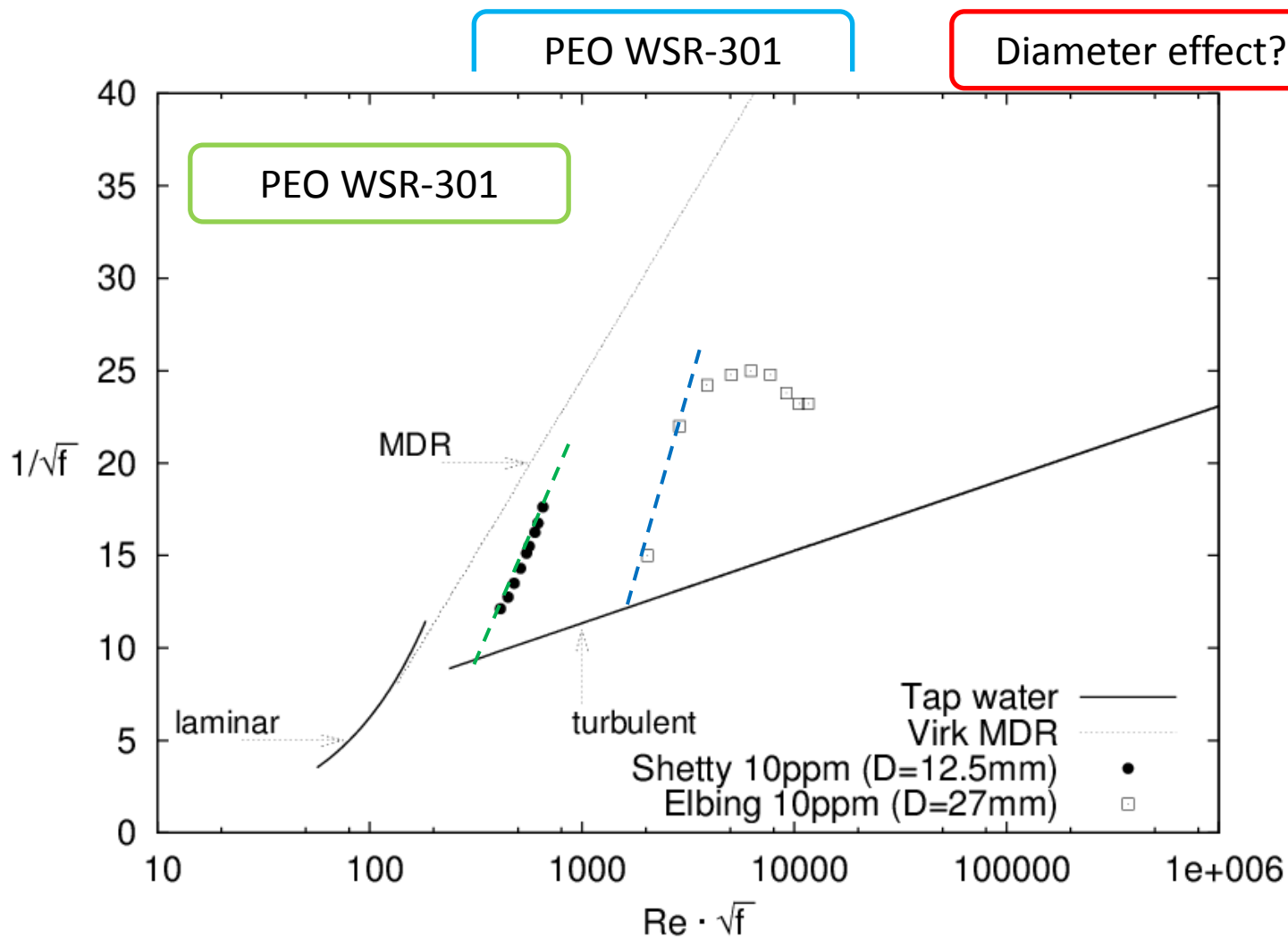


$Re \approx 35000 \div 393000$
(pure solvent)

- Solvent + polymer
- Solvent + fibre
- Solvent + fibre + polymer

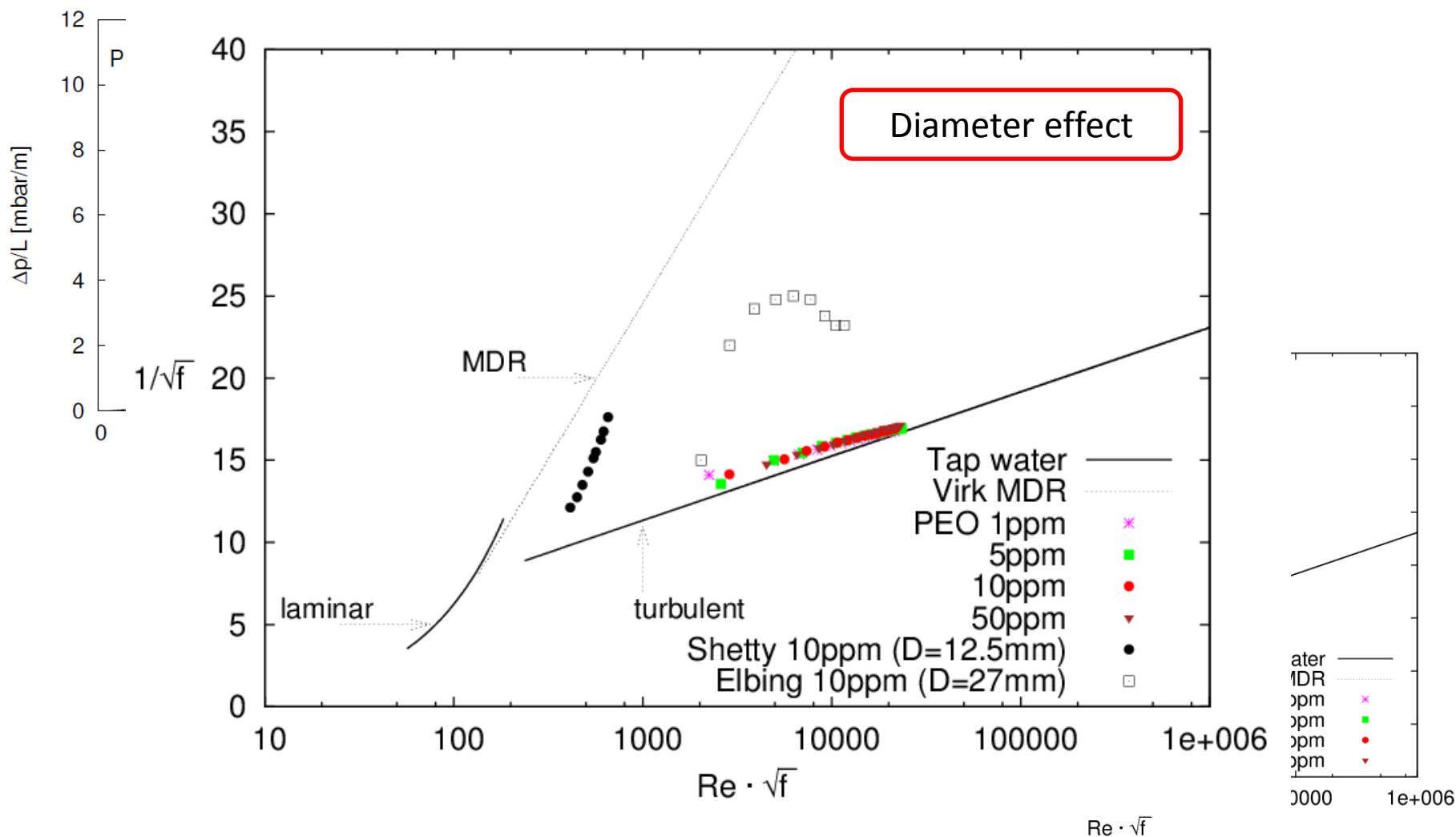
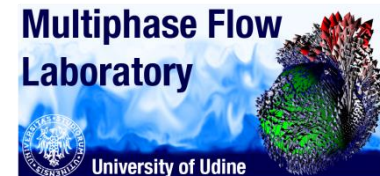


Polymer: literature review





Polymer results PEO WSR-301

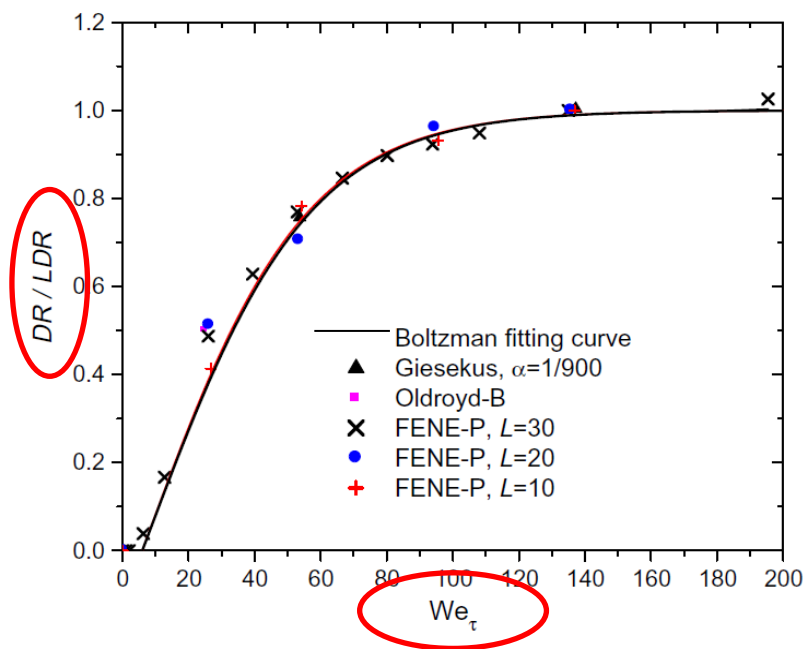




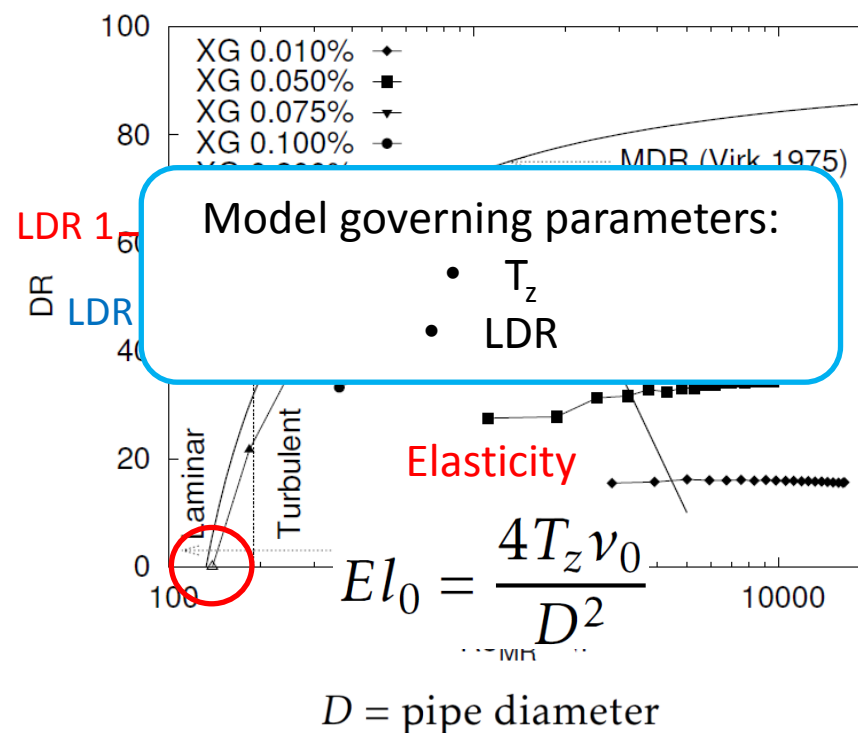
Modelling DR: which procedure?

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = \frac{1}{(1 - DR)^{\tilde{n}/2}} \left(1.7678 \cdot \ln(Re_b \sqrt{f}) - 0.60 - \frac{162.3}{Re_b \sqrt{f}} + \frac{1586}{Re_b^2 f} \right)$$

Housiadas et al.,
International Journal of Heat and Fluid Flow 2013

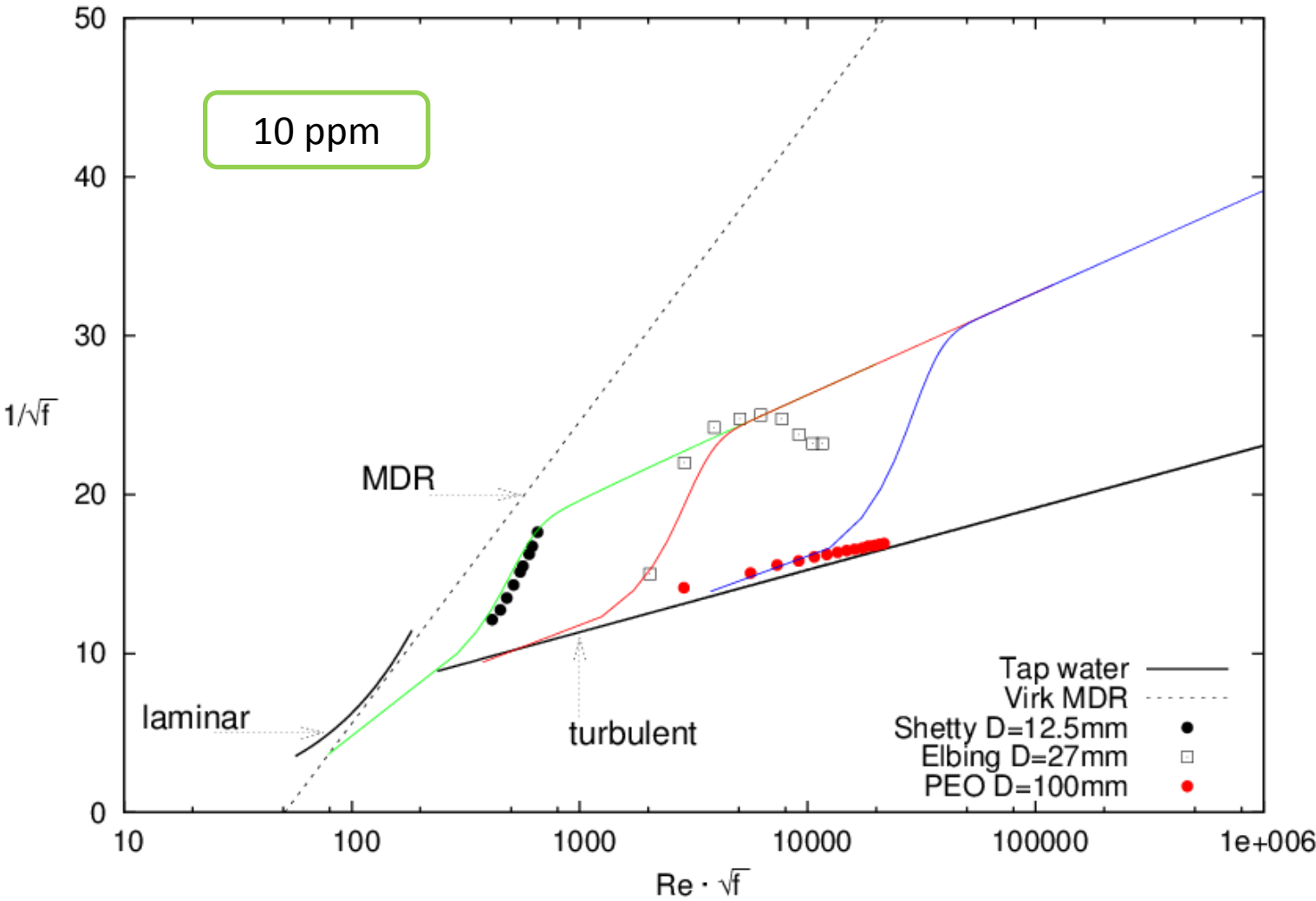
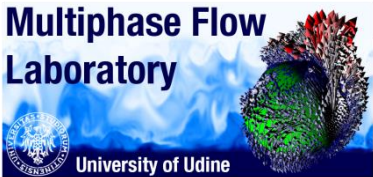


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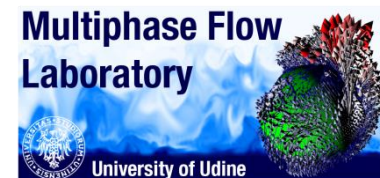


Scaling





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