



# **Turbulence modelling for gas-particle flows**

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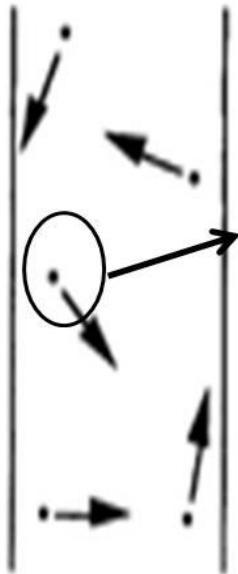
# Outline

- An effort to understand the role of **Particle Phase Turbulence**
- Focus Applications: Downers and Risers
- Experimental Data: Lateral Segregation in Volume Fraction

# Background

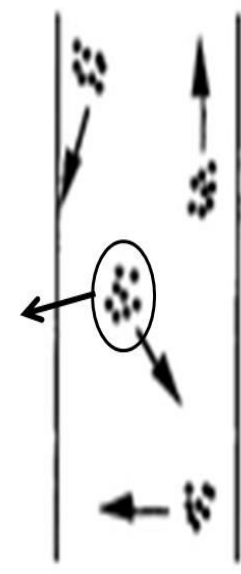
- Fox (2014)<sup>#</sup> stressed on the need to separate between turbulent kinetic energy and granular energy of particles

## Individual Particle Scale



Fluctuations associated with granular temperature

## Cluster Scale



Fluctuations associated with turbulent kinetic energy

# Governing Equations: Particle Phase

- **Volume Fraction**

$$\frac{\partial \langle \alpha \rangle}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \langle \alpha \rangle \langle u \rangle_p = 0$$

- **Momentum**

$$\frac{\partial \langle \alpha \rangle \langle u \rangle_p}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \langle \alpha \rangle (\langle u \rangle_p \langle u \rangle_p + \langle u'' u'' \rangle_p) + \langle P \rangle_p = \langle \alpha \rangle (\langle D \rangle_p + g)$$

$$\langle D \rangle_p = \frac{1}{\tau_d} (\langle u_f \rangle_f - \langle u \rangle_p + \frac{\langle \alpha' u_f''' \rangle}{\langle \alpha \rangle \langle 1 - \alpha \rangle})$$

$$\langle \alpha' u_f''' \rangle = -\frac{\nu_{ft}}{Pr_t} \nabla \langle \alpha \rangle$$

**Turbulent Dispersion Force**

# Governing Equations: Particle Phase

- Granular Temperature

$$\frac{3}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial \langle \alpha \rangle \langle \theta \rangle_p}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \langle \alpha \rangle (\langle \theta \rangle_p \langle u \rangle_p + \langle u'' \theta \rangle_p) + \frac{2}{3} \langle q \rangle_p \right] = - \langle \alpha \rangle \langle P \rangle_p : \nabla \langle u \rangle_p - \langle \alpha \rangle_p \langle P : \nabla u'' \rangle_p - 12(1 - e^2) \frac{\langle \alpha \rangle^2 \rho_p g_0}{d_p \pi^{0.5}} \langle \theta \rangle_p^{\frac{3}{2}} - J$$

- Turbulent Kinetic Energy

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial \langle \alpha \rangle k_p}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \langle \alpha \rangle (k_p \langle u \rangle_p + \langle u'' k_p \rangle) - \langle \alpha \rangle_p \langle P : \nabla u'' \rangle_p \\ & = - \langle \alpha \rangle \langle u'' u'' \rangle_p : \nabla \langle u \rangle_p + \langle \alpha \rangle_p \langle P : \nabla u'' \rangle_p + \frac{\langle \alpha \rangle}{\tau_d} (\langle u'' \cdot u_f''' \rangle_p - 2k_p) - 2k_p \end{aligned}$$

$\rho_p \epsilon_p \alpha_p$ 
 $2 \langle \alpha \rangle \beta \sqrt{k_f k_p}$

**Interphase Turbulence Exchange**

# Governing Equations: Fluid Phase

- Turbulent Kinetic Energy

$$\frac{\partial \langle 1 - \alpha \rangle k_f}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \langle 1 - \alpha \rangle (k_f \langle u_f \rangle_f) - \nabla \cdot \left( \nu_f + \frac{\nu_{ft}}{\sigma_f} \right) \nabla k_f = \langle 1 - \alpha \rangle \Pi_f + \frac{\rho_p \langle \alpha \rangle}{\rho_f \tau_d} (\langle u \rangle_p - \langle u_f \rangle_f)^2 + \langle u'' \cdot u_f''' \rangle_p - 2k_f - \langle 1 - \alpha \rangle \epsilon_f$$

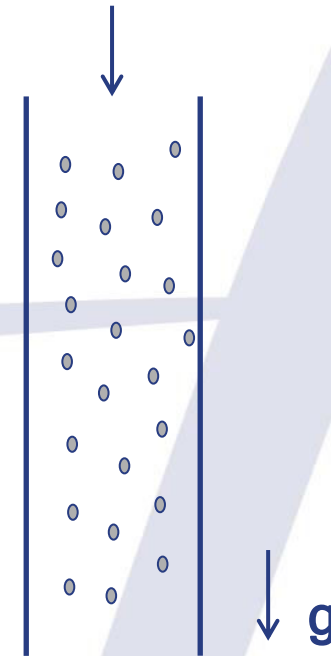
$$\frac{\rho_p \langle \alpha \rangle}{\rho_f \tau_d} (\langle u \rangle_p - \langle u_f \rangle_f)^2$$

Turbulence induced due to the presence of particles

# Downer

- Experimental Details<sup>#</sup>
  - Co-current down flow
  - Height of Column: 7 m
  - Diameter of Column: 0.14 m
  - Density of Particles: 1545 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>
  - Diameter of Particles: 54 μm
  - Density of Gas: 1.18 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>
  - Gas Viscosity: 1.8 e-5 Pas
  - Superficial Gas Velocity: 4.33 m/s
  - Inlet Solid Flow Rate: 70 Kg/m<sup>2</sup>-s

Inlet for gas & particles



# Downer

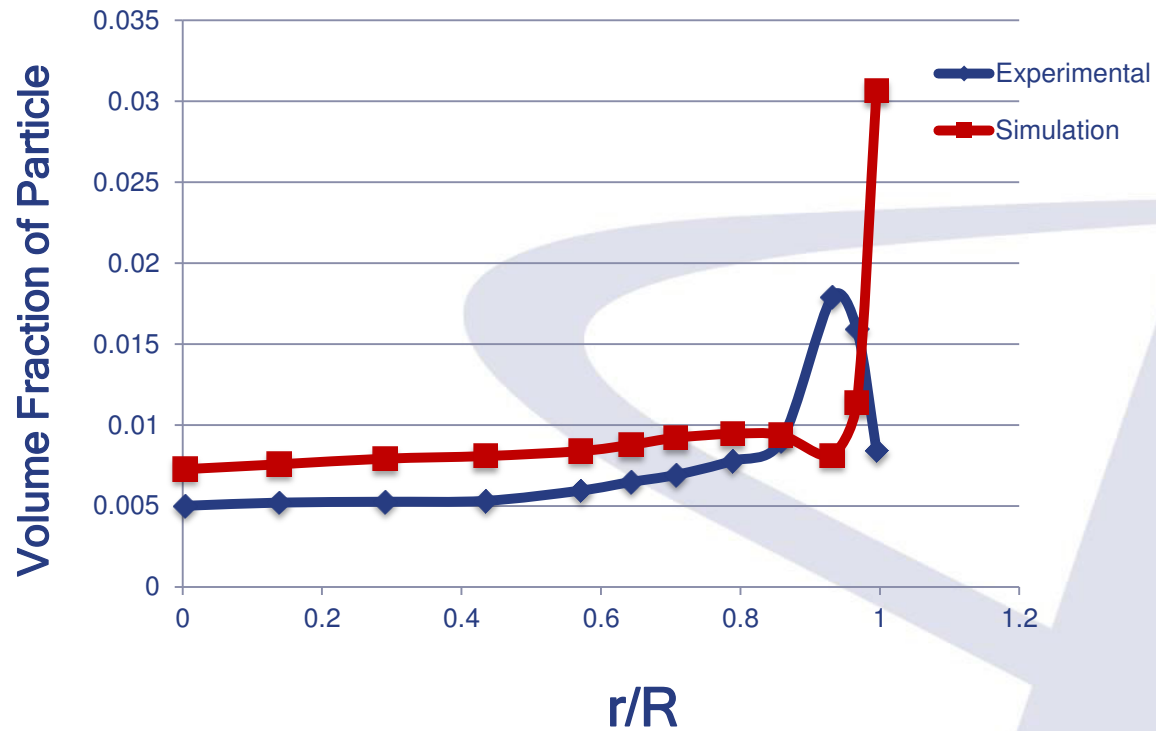
- Problem Set-up
  - Mesh: 70x70
  - Radial Distribution Function: Ding-Gidaspow
  - Particle Viscosity: Gidaspow
  - Granular Conductivity: Gidaspow
  - Drag Model: Wen and Yu
  - Wall treatment: No-slip for gas and Slip for particles



# Downer: Results

Simulation without considering particle phase turbulence

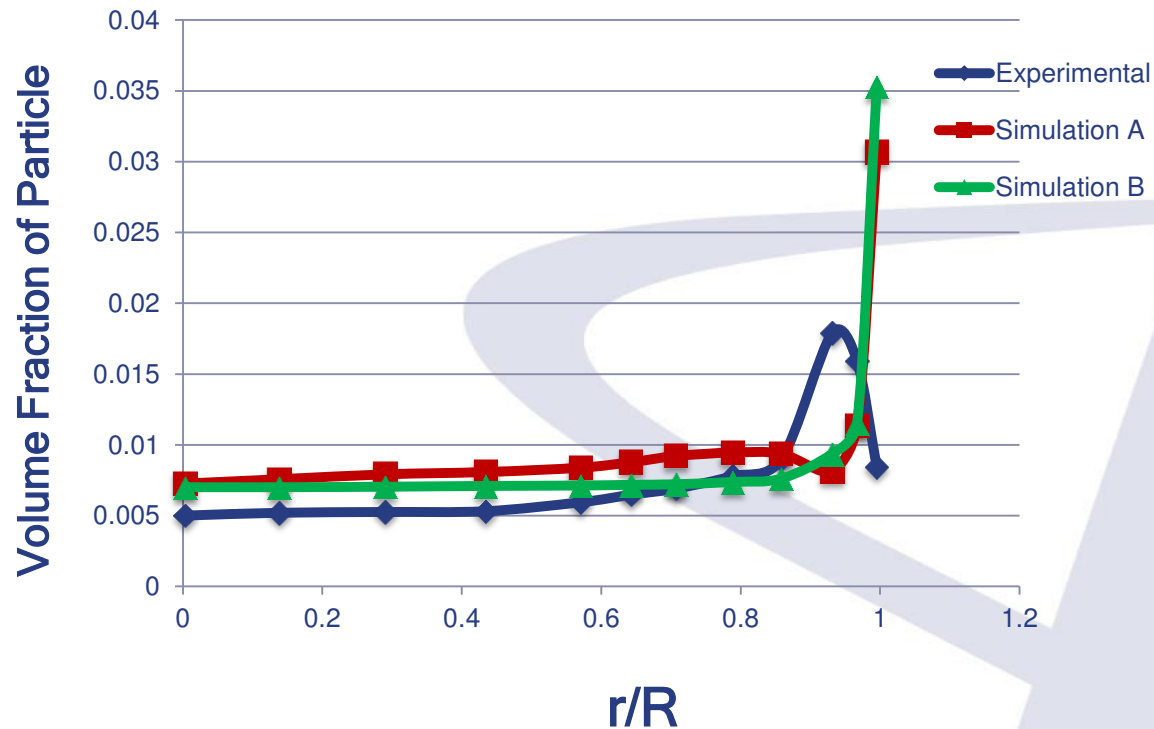
## Lateral distribution of the particles



# Downer: Results

Simulation with particle phase turbulence – no exchange

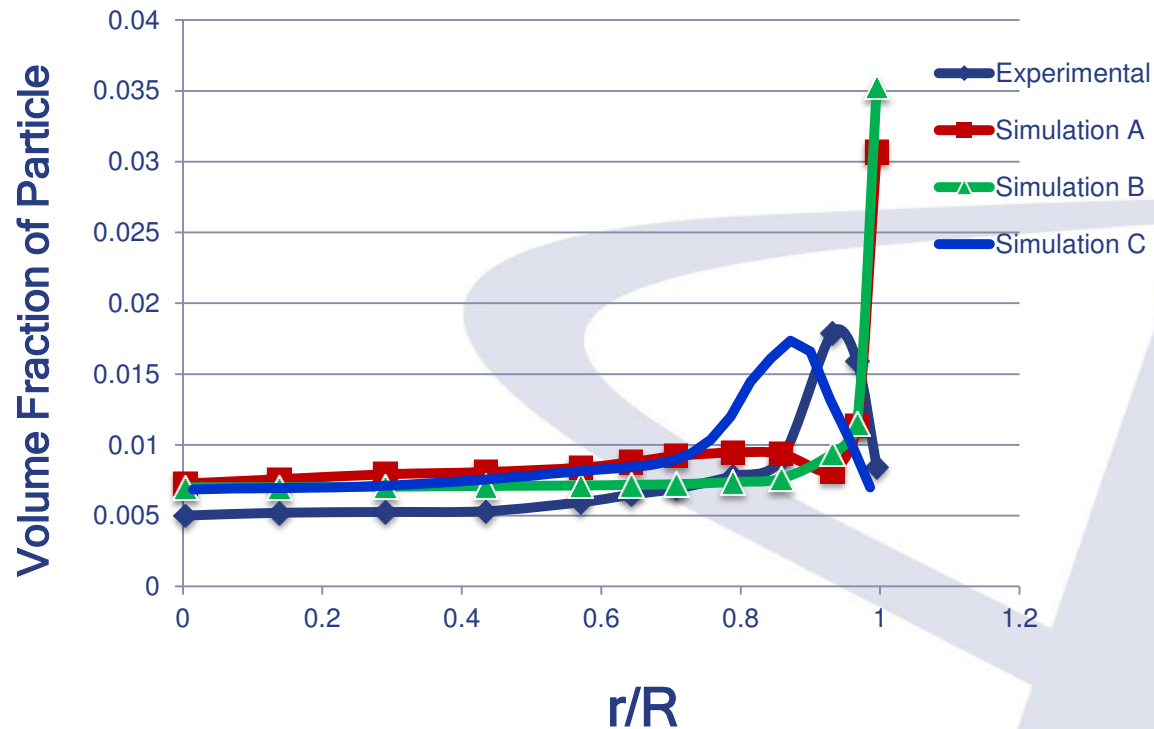
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# Downer: Results

Simulation with particle phase turbulence – exchange accounted

## Lateral distribution of the particles



# Downer: Turbulent Kinetic Energy Exchange

$$\langle \alpha \rangle (\langle u'' . u_f''' \rangle_p) = \langle \alpha u'' . u_f''' \rangle = 2 \langle \alpha \rangle \beta \sqrt{k_f k_p}$$

Fluid Phase:

$$2 \langle \alpha \rangle \frac{\rho_p}{\rho_f \tau_d} (\beta \sqrt{k_f k_p} - k_f)$$

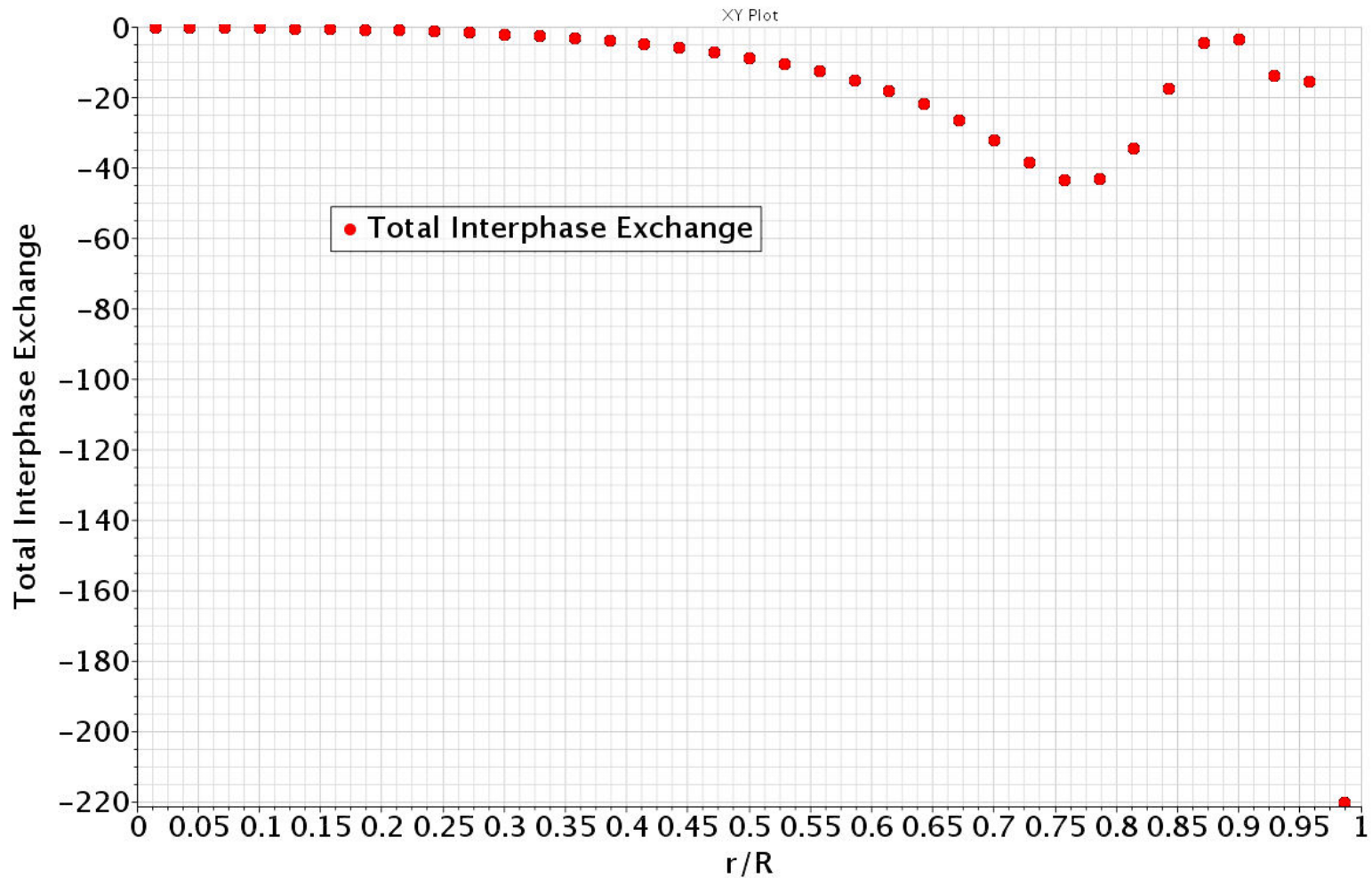
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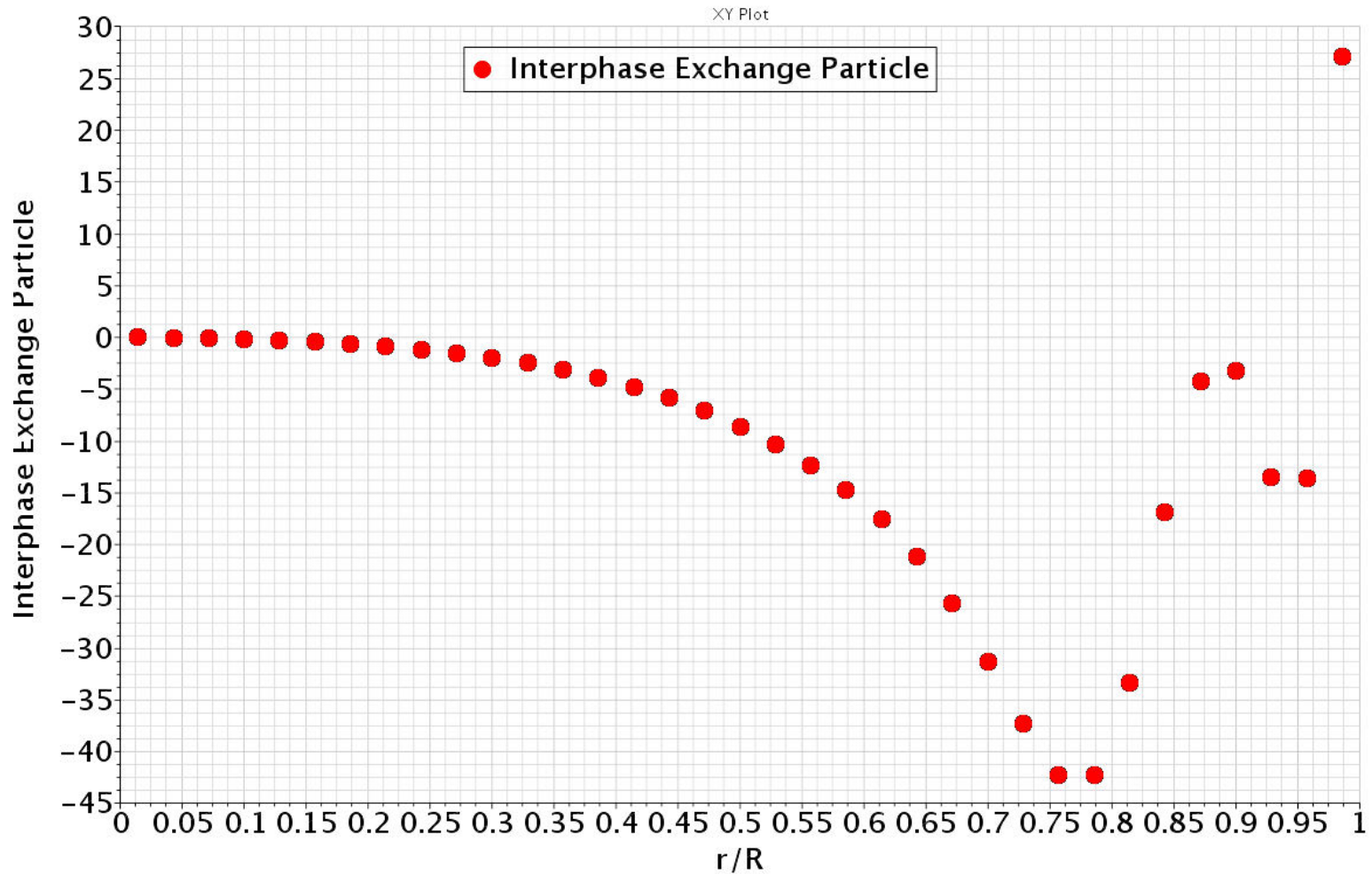
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Net Dissipation of Turbulent Kinetic Energy

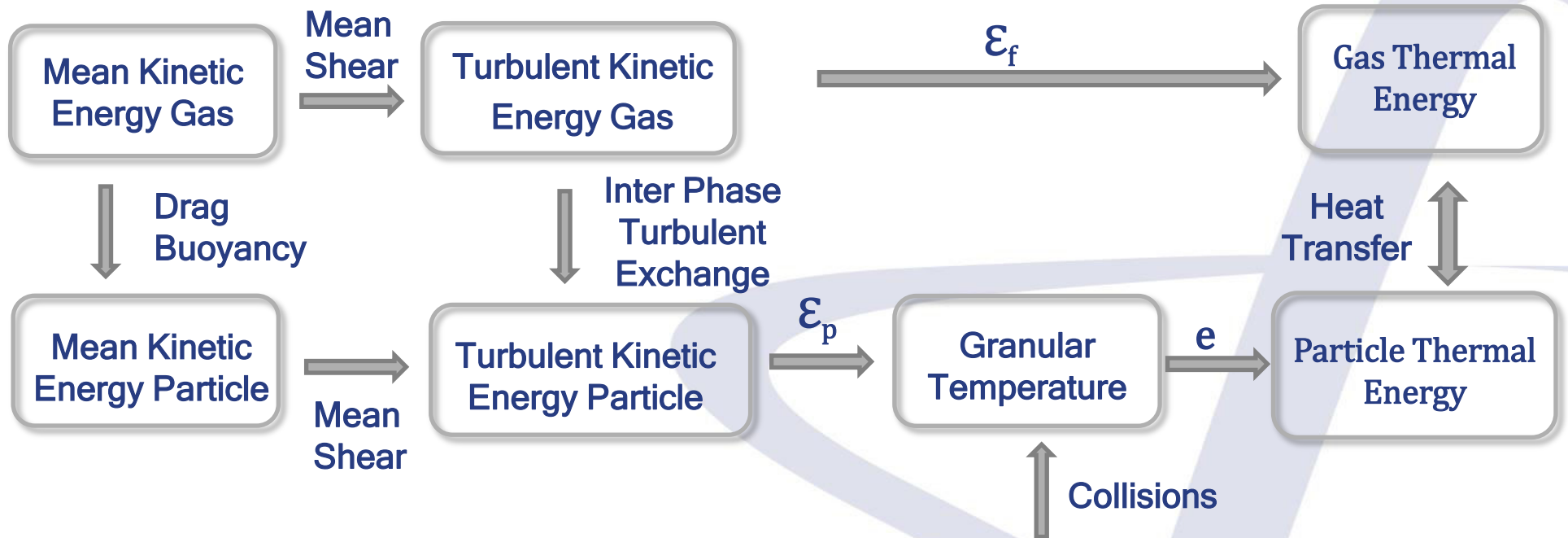
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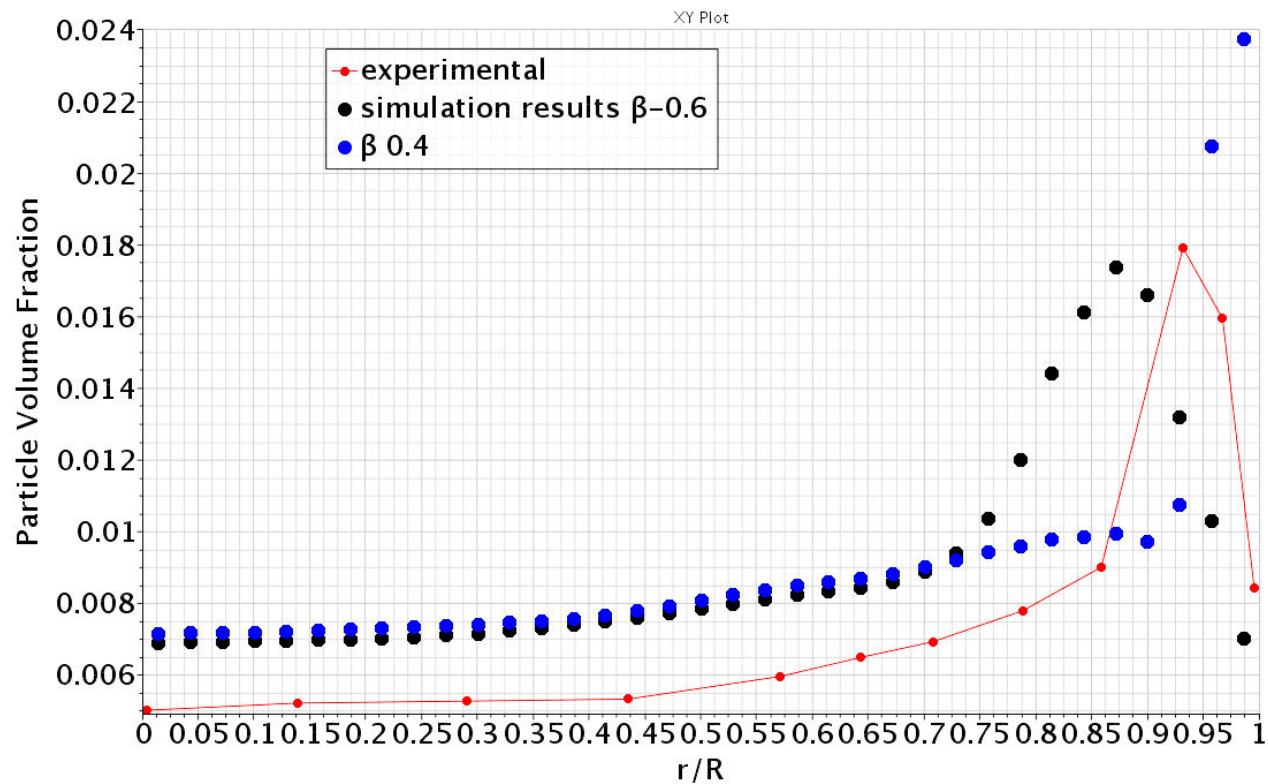


# Energy Flow Diagram



# Downers: Parametric Study for beta

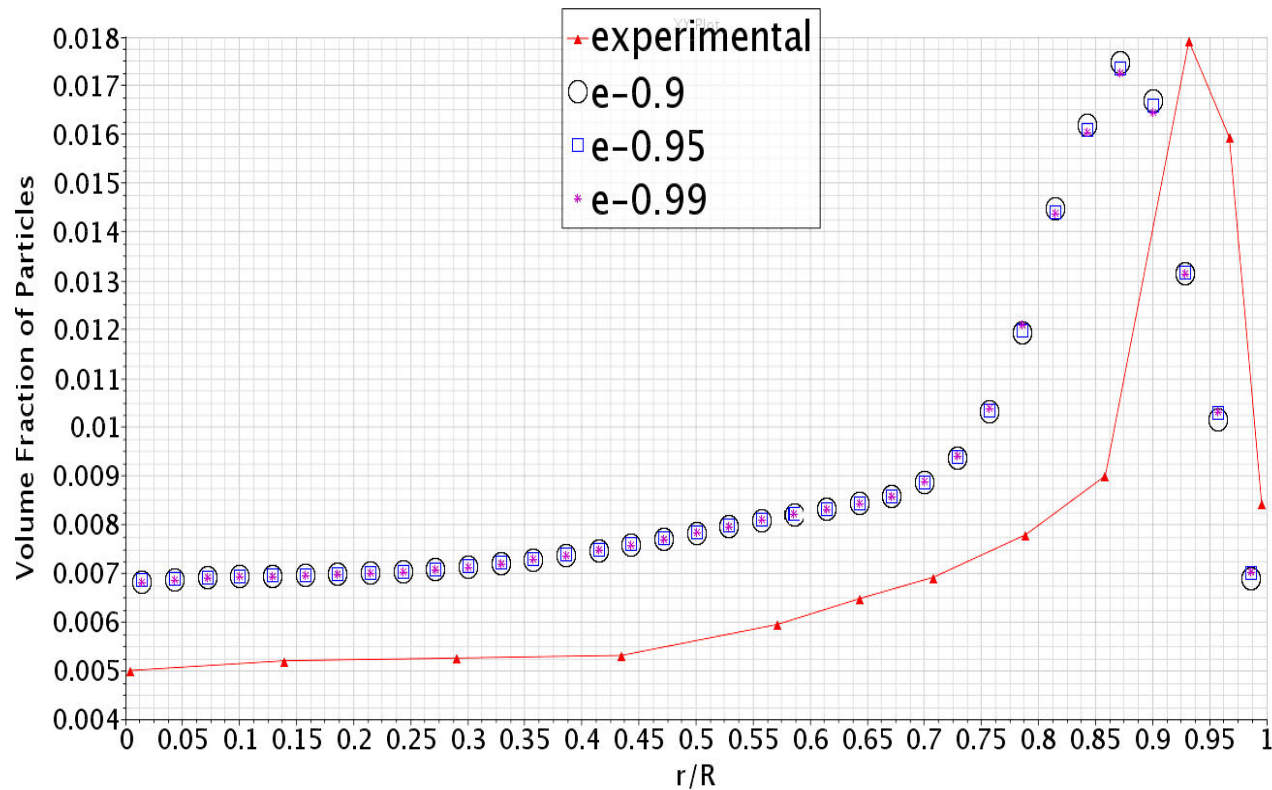
## Lateral distribution of the particles





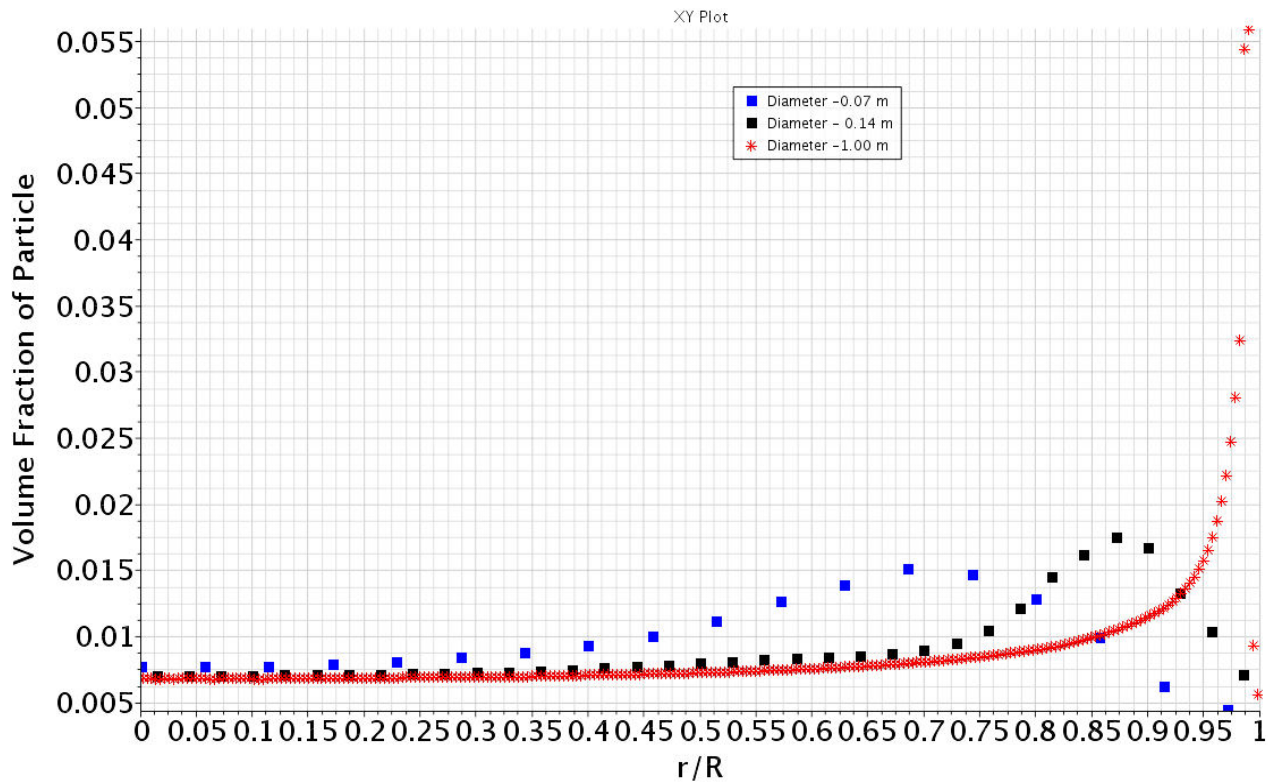
# Downers: Parametric Study for restitution coefficient

## Lateral distribution of the particles



# Downers: Scale up investigation

## Lateral distribution of the particles



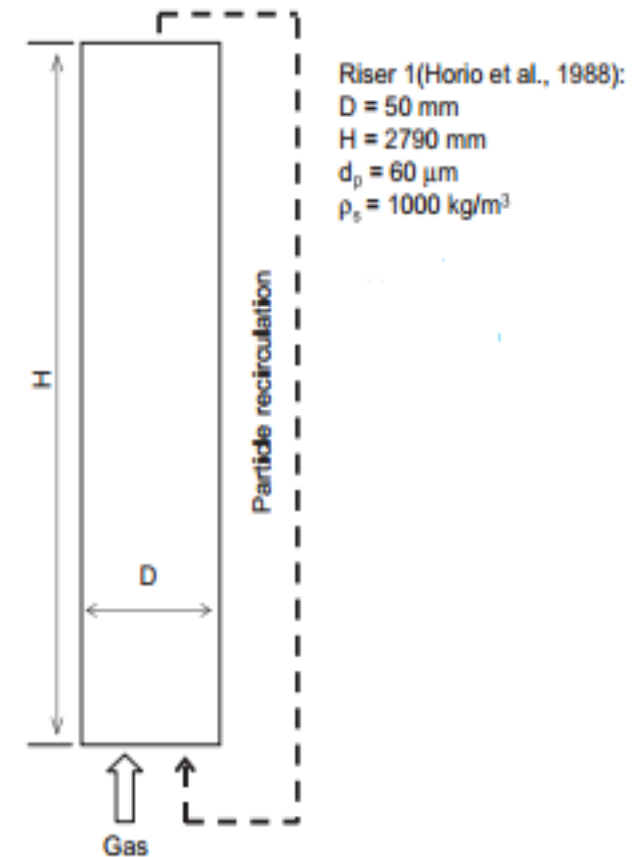
# Riser

- Experimental Details

- Circulating Fluidized Bed
- Density of Gas: 1.18 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- Gas Viscosity: 1.8 e-5 Pas
- Superficial Gas Velocity: 1.29 m/s
- Inlet Solid Flow Rate: 11.71 Kg/m<sup>2</sup>-s

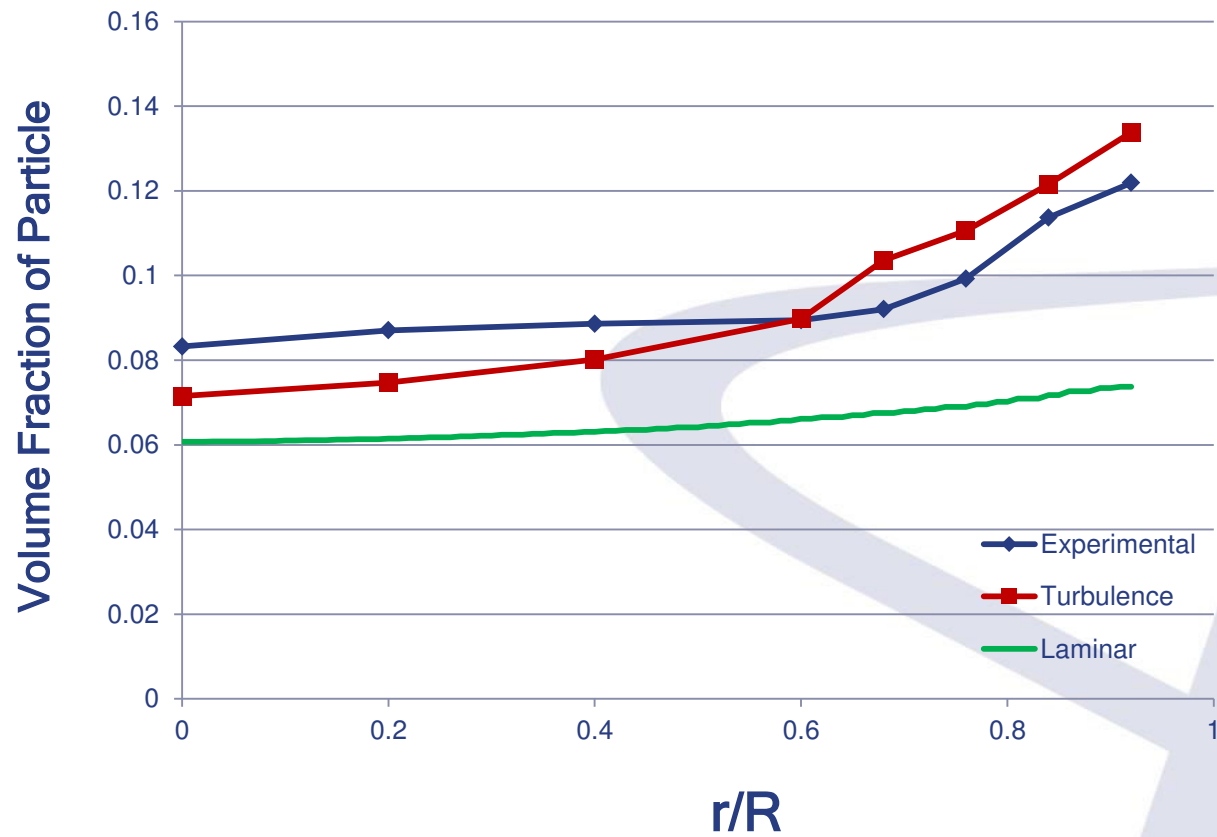
- Problem Set-up

- Mesh: 80x430
- Radial Distribution Function: Ding-Gidaspow
- Particle Viscosity: Syamlal
- Granular Conductivity: Syamlal
- Drag Model: EMMS
- Wall treatment: No-slip for gas and Slip for particles



# Riser: Results

## Lateral distribution of the particles at $z/D = 1.06$



Thank You!