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### **Abstract**

Two-Phase Flow is the most common flow of fluids in nature. The flow of blood, the drift of clouds in the atmosphere, the fluidized beds, the pneumatic conveyance of granular solids, boiling liquid are only a few examples of two-phase systems. Of the four types of two-phase flow (gas-liquid, gas-solid, liquid-liquid and liquid-solid) gas-liquid flows are the most complex, since they combine the characteristics of a deformable interface and the compressibility of one of the phases. For given flows of the two phases in a given channel, the gas-liquid interfacial distribution can take any of an infinite number of possible forms.

Many studies have been carried out both experimentally and analytically on two-phase flow. However, there are still some topics which has received comparatively little attention in the literature. In the present study, the main concern is to develop the flow regime map for cocurrent two-phase flow in horizontal pipes, to determine the wall and interfacial shear stress in stratified flow in a horizontal pipe, to study the slug formation in the horizontal countercurrent two-phase flow and to study the flooding in inclined pipes.

### บทคัดย่อ

การไหลสองสถานะเป็นปรากฏการณ์จริงที่เกิดขึ้นในกระบวนการต่างๆทั้งในธรรมชาติและ ในอุตสาหกรรมโดยเฉพาะอย่างยิ่ง การไหลร่วมกันของก๊าซและของเหลวซึ่งถือว่าเป็นการไหลสอง สถานะที่มีปรากฏการณ์ซับซ้อนที่สุดในจำนวนการไหลสองสถานะประเภทอื่นๆ (ของแข็ง - ของ แข็ง , ของแข็ง - ของเหลว, ของแข็ง - ก๊าซ ) ทั้งนี้เนื่องจากก๊าซเป็นของไหลที่อัดตัวได้ ทำให้เกิด ความซับซ้อนที่ผิวที่สัมผัสกันระหว่างทั้งสองสถานะ อันเป็นผลให้เกิดรูปแบบการไหลต่างๆ

ได้มีการศึกษาเกี่ยวกับการใหลสองสถานะกันอย่างกว้างขวางทั้งจากการทดลองและการ คำนวณ อย่างไรก็ตามยังคงมีแง่มุมที่ได้รับความสนใจน้อยหรือไม่ก็ยังไม่เคยมีคนทำมาก่อน สำหรับในงานวิจัยนี้จะมุ่งเน้นเพื่อศึกษาในสิ่งต่อไปนี้ เพื่อพัฒนาผังแสดงรูปแบบการใหลสำหรับ การใหลสองสถานะแบบไหลตามกันในท่อราบ, เพื่อหาความเค้นเฉือนที่ผนังท่อและที่ผิวสัมผัสของ ของไหลทั้งสองสถานะของการใหลแบบแยกขั้นในท่อราบ, เพื่อศึกษาถึงการก่อตัวของสลักสำหรับ การใหลสองสถานะแบบไหลสวนกันในท่อราบ และ เพื่อศึกษาถึงการใหลท่วมของกระแสไหลสวน กันของของเหลวและก๊าซในท่อเอียง

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### 1. PROJECT TITLE

### A STUDY ON THE STRATIFIED TWO - PHASE FLOW IN A CIRCULAR PIPE

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### 4. BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

Two-Phase Flow is the most common flow of fluids in nature. The flow of blood, the drift of clouds in the atmosphere, the fluidized beds, the pneumatic conveyance of granular solids, boiling liquid are only a few examples of two-phase systems. Of the four types of two-phase flow (gas-liquid, gas-solid, liquid-liquid and liquid-solid) gas-liquid flows are the most complex, since they combine the characteristics of a deformable interface and the compressibility of one of the phases. For given flows of the two phases in a given channel, the gas-liquid interfacial distribution can take any of an infinite number of possible forms.

Problems involving the simultaneous flow of a gas and liquid are commonly met in engineering practice. Film coolers, falling-film-absorption towers, condensers, and the transportation of liquid-vapour mixtures are examples of processes involving such two-phase flow problem. A more through understanding of these processes could be derived from a better understanding of the nature of the interaction at the interface of the liquid and gas. If a gas is blown parallel to a liquid surface, it will exert a drag on the surface and cause the liquid to flow. The drag will increase with gas flow. At high enough flows the surface will become unstable and waves will form. The drag of the gas on the liquid and the velocity profile in the gas then will be dependent upon the structure of the liquid surface. At extremely high flows liquid will be torn from the surface and dispersed in the gas stream. Flow regime transitions in two phase flows are, therefore, of great importance to engineers because the analysis of mass transport, pressure drop, heat transfer, and other processes, depends on a knowledge of the physical distribution of the phases and phase velocities in the flow channel.

Gas-liquid countercurrent flow has been applied extensively in industries for heat and mass transfer. Usually, for a given piece of equipment there is a maximum velocity at which steady countercurrent flow can be maintained. This point, known as the onset of flooding, is the point at which the flow rates of both gas and liquid phases cannot be further increased. Usually, especially in chemical engineering, this limiting condition is called flooding or countercurrent flow limitation (CCFL). Further increases in gas or liquid input rates results in partial delivery of the liquid out of the bottom. In recent

years, further impetus for flooding research has been provided by concern over the restriction of emergency core cooling (ECC) in the pressurized water reactor (PWR) during a postulated loss of coolant accident (LOCA). In the event of a LOCA, which is caused by the damage at any position of the primary circuit, steam will be created in PWR. This generated steam will flow upward through the hot leg, countercurrent to the flow of cooling water. In another case, this steam will condense in the steam generator and flow back to the PWR (as shown in Fig. 1). It is essential that the injected cooling water be sufficient and that it be able to penetrate into the core. This ECC is limited by the flooding phenomena. To be able to evaluate the ECC response of the reactor during this accident, the countercurrent flow of the phases should be fully determined.

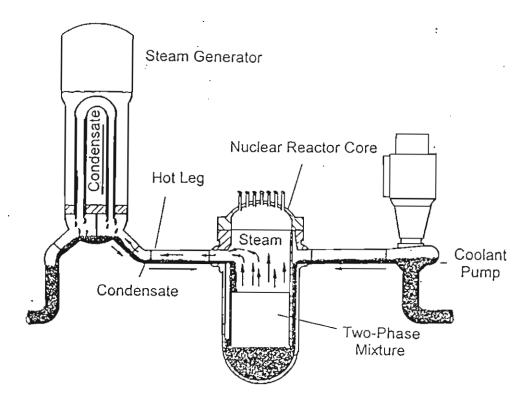


Fig. 1. Countercurrent Flow of Steam and Water in Hot Leg of PWR during LOCA

### 5. OBJECTIVES

- 5.1 to develop the flow regime map for cocurrent two-phase flow in horizontal pipes
- 5.2 to determine the wall and interfacial shear stress in stratified flow in a horizontal pipe
- 5.3 to study the slug formation in the horizontal countercurrent two-phase flow
- 5.4 to study the flooding in inclined pipes

### 6. LITERATURE REVIEW AND REFERENCE

### 6.1 Literature review for objective (5.1)

Two-phase flow is classified into two groups from the dynamical view-point: a steady flow and a transient flow. Further, the steady flow is divided into a fully developed flow and a developing flow. The flow characteristics of fully developed flow have been investigated and sufficient information has been obtained [1-5]. On the other hand, the flow characteristics of developing flow and transient flow have been not sufficiently and systematically investigated except for the flow characteristics in and downstream bend [6] and the propagation phenomena of pressure wave [7]. In studies of flow instabilities [8] and the dynamic behaviour [9] of flow in steam generating system, the flow pattern and the values of flow variables such as two-phase flow frictional losses, void fraction, liquid holdup, slip ratio between both phases, and heat transfer coefficient in the steady conditions have been used because the dynamic behavior of the two-phase flow might be expressed approximately as quasi-steady flow and no suitable data and values have been recommended. Useful informations have been obtained on qualitative characteristics by this method, but there is certain limitation to this application. Therefore, the values of flow variables in the transient conditions might be desirable informations for the analysis of dynamic behavior.

Then, the fundamental knowledge of the transient characteristics as well as the static characteristics is required in order to precisely analyze the dynamic behavior in two-phase flow systems. In the circumstance, the dynamic behaviors of the two-phase flow have been investigated by Nädler et al. [10]. That is, the first report which presented that the two-phase flow in the transient conditions showed the extraordinary behaviors which could not be deduced from its static characteristics. In their second paper [11], the dynamic behaviours of transient slug flow have been analyzed and the fair agreement between its calculated values and the experimental results has been obtained for various test tubes. Althrough a few studies carried out so far, there is a general feeling that much tidy work—should still be necessary either from an experimental viewpoint or for a general modeling of the phenomena. Especially, the influences of the pipe, diameter and the pipe length on the boundary between the flow patterns should determined.

In the present work, the flow regime maps for the developing two-phase flow will be presented. These maps will be useful to estimate the flow pattern of developing flow in the various flow systems at steady conditions and will be used as the fundamental data to derive the flow regime maps for the transient conditions. The influences of the pipe diameter and the pipe length on the boundary between the flow patterns will also be discussed.

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### 6.2 Literature review for objective (5.2)

Stratified two-phase flow in pipes may occur in various chemical and industrial processes Examples include the flow of oil and natural gas in pipelines and flow of steam and water in horizontal pipe networks during certain postulated LOCA. Knowledge of the wall and interfacial shear stresses is required for modeling the flow in these applications. The structure of the moving gas-liquid interface plays a considerable role in determining thermal-hydraulic behaviours of two-phase flows. Waves appearing on the interface significance affect the mechanism of momentum, heat and mass transfer through the interface as well as the characteristics of flow parameters. The interfacial shear stress, which is one of the important parameters featuring the nature of the interface, is largely controlled by local properties of the waves, and is closely connected to a flow pattern transition.

Experimental studies of the wall and interfacial shear stress have been presented in a number of papers over the past thirty years [12-15] mostly for cocurrent two-phase flow. However, all of the investigations reported to date have involved rectangular conduits at atmospheric pressure. In most cases, the wall and interfacial shear stress were expressed in terms of macroscopic flow parameters, such as the void fraction, the gas and liquid Reynolds numbers, and/or fluid physical properties for direct applications. This type of correlation has been widely used in the stability analysis and heat and mass transfer investigation of two-phase flow [16]. At the present time no methods exist to measure the interfacial shear directly; however, this quantity may be deduced indirectly from:

- Gas velocity profile measurements [12,17]
- Turbulent kinetic energy profiles [14]
- The momentum balance using the wall-to-gas shear stress, liquid level, and pressure drop measurements [13,19,20]
- The extrapolation of the shear stress profiles at the gas-liquid interface [14,18]

In the present work, the wall and interfacial shear stress for stratified both cocurrent and countercurrent flow in a circular horizontal pipe will be measured. In addition, the empirical correlation of the wall and interfacial friction factors will be developed for practical applications.

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### 6.3 <u>Literature review for objective (5.3)</u>

During LOCA in a PWR, countercurrent flow of steam and cold water may take place in horizontal channel when the ECC water is injected into the pipe. This type of flow also appears in the auxiliary feed water system of the steam generator in PWR after stopping the main feed water pump. The flow stability in the two cases is very important in relation to the safety analysis of the nuclear reactor. It is necessary to explicate the mechanism of the transition from stratified flow to slug flow in horizontal countercurrent gas-liquid flow.

When the difference of gas and liquid velocities becomes large enough the interface waves grow quickly to block the cross-section of the duct. For countercurrent flow, most of the studies infer the transition condition from cocurrent flow which based on Kelvin-Helmholtz instability theory. As for cocurrent flow, Mishima and Ishii [21] developed the classical Kelvin-Helmh oltz instability theory [22] using the concept of 'the most dangerous wave' with the largest growth rate. In order to obtain the criterion for slug formation in closed conduit, they considered waves of finite amplitude. However the viscous term effecting flow stability was not included in their analysis. Lin and Hanratty [23] applied the Kelvin-Helmholtz instability mechanism to a small-amplitude long wave length disturbance at the interface for cocurrent two-phase flow. The liquid phase viscous and inertia terms are included in their analysis. Flooded discharge of water from a vessel and along a short horizontal tube (length/diameter ratio of approx. 10) with a countercurrent of air has been studied experimentally by Richter et al. [24], Krolewski [25] and Gardner [26].

Similar flooded discharge of carbon dioxide against air and brine against water has been studied by Leach and Thompson [27]. Some experiments were conducted with a scale model of the hot leg of a PWR. Kukita et al. [28-30] studied the characteristics of two-phase flow during natural circulation at the hot legs of PWR using a large-scale test facility. Tehrani et al. [31] conducted experiments of air/water low and high head flooding from the model of the hot leg, and the distinction between the two types of flooding was determined. Hence, we can say the transition of flow patterns on cocurrent flow has been studied in some detail. On the other hand, the study on countercurrent two-phase flow is not enough. Since countercurrent flow has some special features that differ from cocurrent flow, it is necessary to deal with it directly but not to extrapolate from cocurrent flow.

The objective of this research is to characterize the flow patterns observed for countercurrent gas-liquid flow in a horizontal pipe and to propose a criterion for the onset of slug flow by experimental and theoretical analyses.

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### 6.4 Literature review for objective (5.4)

As described, Flooding in countercurrent gas liquid flow is the term used to describe the limiting flow input of liquid against rising gas or vapour. This phenomena has been investigated in connection with the performance of wetted wall columns, packed towers, condensers, cooling towers, geothermal flows of steam and water mixtures and in connection with LOCA in nuclear reactors.

Flooding experiments have been carried out usually with adiabatic air-water flow in vertical tubes [32-35]. Liquid is introduced into the tube either through a porous injection located at the middle of the tube or from a top tank where the liquid flows by gravity. The porous injection is generally considered to be the smoothest entry which generates the least disturbances in the liquid flow [36,37]. Wallis et al. [38] showed that the tube diameter and entrance conditions are important parameter in Flooding. They tested various geometries of entry and end effects in a top flood entry arrangement. It was found for various tested tube sizes that entry geometries affect the limiting air and water flows.

Tien et al. [39] also examined the effect of tube size and flow entry conditions on the flooding velocities in a vertical tube where the liquid was introduced by spilling it over the top of the tube under gravity. They found that when the flow entry conditions of liquid and gas were designed to mimimize entry effects flooding was primarily a result of the interfacial instability inside the tube, and the tube size did not significantly affect the flooding phenomenon. When a sharp edge liquid inlet was used, flooding always took place around the inlet due to local thickening of the liquid film. In addition when the flow inlet-exit conditions are not smooth the effect of tube size becomes more pronounced.

Most of the flooding experiments have been performed in vertical tubes. Very little work has been reported on the effect of inclination on the flooding phenomenon. Hewitt [40] performed experiments in inclined tubes using a porous injector to introduce the liquid. He found that the liquid flooding velocity increases and then decreases as the inclination angle was changed from vertical to 10°. The stability of countercurrent stratified inclined flow with condensation was investigated by Lee and Bankoff [41] in a rectangular channel. Beckmann et al. [42] performed the experiments with countercurrent flow of air and water in inclined pipes. The experimental analysis covered th effects of pipe inclination and diameter.

The flow pattern and the physical process of countercurrent flow were studied based on measurement of liquid holdup and pressure drop. A correlation for the interfacial momentum exchange was derived from the experiments. Wongwises [43] investigated the experimental data of the countercurrent flow limitation for air and water in a bend between a horizontal pipe and a pipe inclined to the horizontal. He found that the different mechanism that lead to flooding and that are dependent on the water flow rate. The influence of the inclination angle of the bends, the water inlet condition, and the length of the horizontal pipes is of significance for the onset of flooding.

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### 8. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

- 8.1 An experimental setup (as shown in Fig. 2) will be developed. It can also be modified to obtain each objective in (5)
- 8.2 From the apparatus in (8.1), the flow patterns for cocurrent flow will be studied by visual observation, the flow regime map can be developed from these flow patterns.
- 8.3 The instrument for measuring liquid holdup and void fraction will be developed. The most of work in this step concern the design of electrical circuit and the data acquisition system.

- 8.4 The wall and interfacial shear stress in stratified cocurrent flow will be determined by
  - using the instrument in (8.3) to measure liquid holdup
  - using Laser Doppler Anemometer to determine the velocity profile of gas phase. Reynold stress can, therefore, be found.
  - using flow meter to determine the superficial velocity of liquid and gas
- 8.5 From all data in (8.4) and momentum balance between phase, the mathematical model to determine the wall and interfacial shear stress can be developed.
- 8.6 The experimental rig in (8.1) will be modified. The flow direction of gas will be reversed.
- 8.7 Onset of slugging for countercurrent flow in the horizontal pipe will be experimental studied.
- 8.8 Mathematical model for predicting the onset of slugging by instability analysis will be developed. The results will be compared with experimental data in (8.7).
- 8.9 From the experimental rig in (8.6), the interfacial friction factor will be developed in the same way with (8.4), except the pressure drop will be included.
- 8.10 The inclination angle of pipe will be adjusted.
- 8.11 The flooding in the inclined pipe will be studied by using the experimental rig in (8.10)
- 8.12 The mathematical model for predicting the onset of flooding will be developed and the results will be compared with the data from (8.11)

### 9. SCOPE OF RESEARCH

- 9.1 It is the experimental and theoretical investigation
- 9.2 Cocurrent and countercurrent flow will be studied.
- 9.3 For cocurrent flow, only the horizontal flow in the circular pipe will be studied.
- 9.4 For countercurrent flow, the horiontal and inclined pipe flow will be studied.
- 9.5 The results of each step in the research has some relationship with each other. The results of each step will be used to obtain the object in the next step.

### 10. EXPERIMENTAL APPARATUS AND PROCEDURE

A schematic diagram of the experimental system is shown in Fig.2. Air and water are used as the working fluids. The main components of the system consist of the test section, air supply, water supply, instrumentation, and data acquisition system.

The test section is made of transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The length of horizontal pipe can be varied during the experiments. The connections of the piping system are designed such that parts can be changed very easily. Air is injected from a compressor to pass through the reservoir, the regulation valve, the rotameter and the test section. Water is pumped from the storage tank through the rotameter, the water inlet section and the test section.

The inlet flow rates of air and water are measured by two sets of rotameters. The entrained water flow rate is registered by flow meter and the water is returned to the storage tank while the separated air is exhausted into the atmosphere. The pressure in the test section can be regulated and kept constant automatically during the experiment by an absolute pressure transducer and a control valve in the air discharge line. The temperature of air and water are measured by thermocouples. The two-phase pressure drop between the specific range in the test section is registered by a capacitive pressure transducer. The Impedance and Capacitance Method will be developed for measuring liquid holdup, which is defined as the ratio of the cross-sectional area filled with liquid to the total cross-sectional area of the pipe. All signals of the measuring transducers are registered by a data acquisition system and finally they are averaged over the time elapsed.

In generally, the experiments are conducted with various flow rates of air and water, various lengths of the pipe. The system pressure is kept constant during experiments. In the experiments the air flow rate is increased by small increments while the water flow rate is kept constant. After each change in inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates are recorded. The pressure

drop across the test section, the entrained water, and the liquid holdup are registered through the transducers and transferred to the data acquisition system. The flow phenomena are detected by visual observation

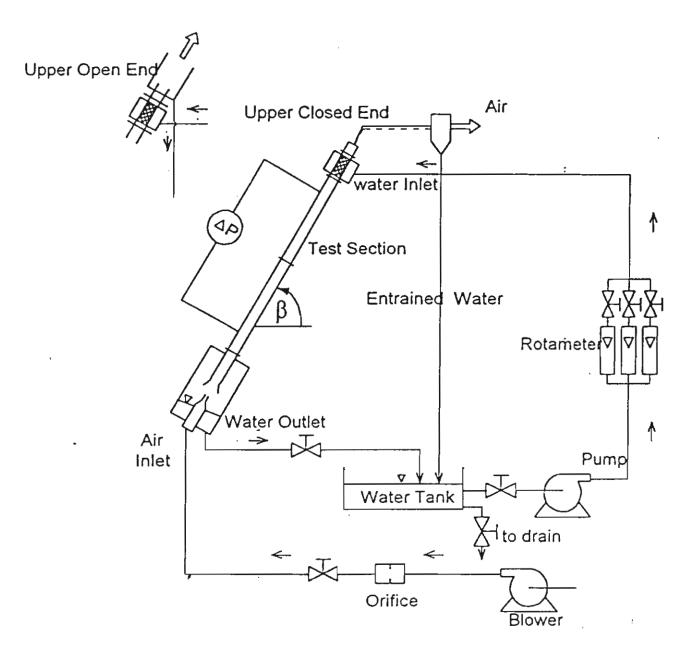


Figure 2. Schematic diagram of experimental apparatus

### 11. THREE YEARS RESEARCH PLAN

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### 12. PRACTICAL SIGNIFICANCE & USEFULNESS

The results of the research are of technological importance for the design and analysis of various chemical and industrial processes, particularly is important for reliable design of gas-oil pipe line transportation systems and of thermal-hydraulic responses of nuclear reactors during accidental conditions

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### Abstract

The onset of flooding or countercurrent flow limitation (CCFL) determines the maximum rate at which one phase can flow countercurrently to another phase. In the present study, the experimental data of the CCFL for gas and liquid in a horizontal pipe with a bend are investigated. The different mechanisms that lead to flooding and that are dependent on the liquid flow rate are observed. For low and intermediate liquid flow rates, the onset of flooding appears simultaneously with the slugging of unstable waves that are formed at the crest of the hydraulic jump. At low liquid flow rates, slugging appears close to the bend; at higher liquid flow rates, it appears far away from the bend, in the horizontal section. For high liquid flow rates, no hydraulic jump is observed, and flooding occurs as a result of slug formation at the end of the horizontal pipe. The effects of the inclination angle of the bends, the liquid inlet conditions and the length of the horizontal pipes are of significance for the onset of flooding. A mathematical model of Ardron and Banerjee is modified to predict the onset of flooding. Flooding curves calculated by this model are compared with present experimental data and those of other researchers. The predictions of the onset of flooding as a function of the length-to-diameter ratio are in reasonable agreement with the experimental data.

### 1. Introduction

Countercurrent flow limitation (CCFL) corresponds to the limiting condition where the flow rates of neither the gas nor the liquid phase can be increased further without altering the flow pattern. Various authors have given different definitions of flooding, but the flooding point generally refers to the onset of flooding (Lee and Bandoff, 1983). Recently, the thermal-hydraulic analysis of countercurrent two-phase flow has been of importance in connection with the safety analysis of nuclear

reactor systems. In the event of a loss of coolant accident (LOCA), which is caused by damage at any position of the primary circuit, steam will be created in the pressurized water reactor (PWR). This generated steam will flow upward through the hot leg, moving countercurrently to the flow of cooling water (Fig. 1). In another case, this steam will condense in the steam generator and flow back to the PWR (Fig. 2). It is essential that the injected cooling water be sufficient and that it be able to penetrate into the core. This emergency core cooling (ECC) is limited by the flooding phenomena. To

be able to evaluate the ECC response of the reactor during this accident, the countercurrent flow of the phases should be fully determined.

The CCFL has been studied by a large number of researchers, both experimentally and analytically, mostly in vertical pipes. The CCFL in horizontal or nearly horizontal geometries has received comparatively little attention in the literature. Some of the earliest work was performed by Wallis and Dobson (1973), Gardner (1977), Lee and Bankoff (1983), Choi and No (1995). However, to study the phenomenon of flooding in a PWR hot leg, the results from CCFL studies in horizontal flow paths are not enough, because the flow behavior near the bend that connects the horizontal pipe with the inclined riser governs the CCFL characteristics of PWR hot legs (Ohnuki et al., 1988).

Relatively little information is currently available on CCFL or flooding phenomena in horizontal pipes with bends (Ardron and Banerjee, 1986; Dillistone, 1992; Kawaji et al., 1991; Mayinger et al., 1993; Ohnuki et al., 1988; Siddiqui et al., 1986; Siemens, 1992; Sonnenburg, 1993; Tehrani et al., 1990; Wan and Krishnans 1986; Wang, 1993; Wang and Mayinger, 1995). In the present study, the main concern is to obtain and analyze the experimental results of CCFL of air and water. The effects of the pipe lengths, the water inlet conditions and the inclination angle of bends on the flooding phenomena are also investigated.

### 2. Experimental apparatus and method

The experimental apparatus is shown schematically in Fig. 3. Air and water are used as the working fluids. The main components of the system consist of the test section, air supply, water supply, instrumentation and data acquisition system. The test section (Fig. 4), with an inside diameter of 64 mm, is made of transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. It is composed of a horizontal pipe, an upwardly inclined pipe and a bend that connects them. The inner and outer bend radii of curvature are 60 and 135 mm respectively. The bends with different angles are constructed accurately by machining an ingot of acrylic glass.

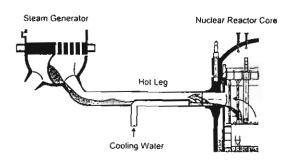


Fig. 1. Countercurrent flow of steam and cooling water in hot leg of PWR during LOCA.

The lower leg of the bend is connected to the horizontal pipe, while the other end of the bend is connected to the supply tank. The supply tank is a cylindrical vessel 400 mm in diameter and 1060 mm tall. The length of horizontal pipe can be varied during the experiments. The upper leg of the bend is connected to a straight pipe 1300 mm in length, the other end of which is connected to the water inlet section and the separation unit. Air is injected from a compressor to pass through the reservoir, the regulation valve, the rotameter, the supply tank and the test section. Water is pumped from the storage tank through the rotameter, the water inlet section, the test section and the supply tank, and flows back to the storage tank. The entrained water is separated from the two-phase mixture by the cyclone separator and flows back to the storage tank.

Two types of water inlet section, i.e. an inner pipe inlet section and a porous inlet section, are

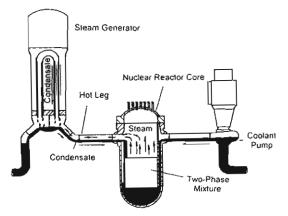


Fig. 2. Countercurrent flow of steam and condensate in hot leg of PWR during LOCA.

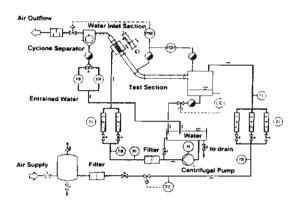


Fig. 3. Schematic diagram of apparatus.

used in the experiments. The inner pipe inlet section consists of a circular pipe of inside diameter 32 mm and length 150 mm that is installed in the pipe at the water inlet section. The porous section is made of sintered steel of  $200 \,\mu m$  filter grade,  $100 \, mm$  long. The water from the inlet section flows downward to the bend, into the horizontal section and then to the supply tank, while the air flows countercurrently. The level of water in the supply tank is kept constant and excess water is returned to the storage tank.

Two sets of rotameters are used to measure the inlet flow rates of air and water. The entrained water flow rate is registered by two flow meters and the water is returned to the storage tank while the separated air is exhausted into the atmosphere. The pressure in the test section can be regulated and automatically kept constant during the experiment, by an absolute pressure transducer and a control valve in the air discharge line. The temperatures of the air and water are measured by thermocouples. The two-phase pressure drop between the supply tank and the upper part of the bend is registered by a capacitive pressure transducer.

Liquid hold-up  $\varepsilon_L$  is measured by conductance cells. The position of measuring is shown in Fig. 4. Stainless ring electrodes are mounted flush in the tube wall, for measuring the liquid hold-up, which is defined as the ratio of the cross-sectional area filled with liquid to the total cross-

sectional area of the pipe. The measuring positions are located 70 mm along the horizontal part from the bend. The electrical conductivity of water between the electrodes constitutes an electrical resistance that can be registered via a Wheatstone bridge, by a carrier frequency amplifier (Fig. 5). The bridge is fed by an alternating voltage fo 5 kHz. This frequency is sufficiently high to avoid polarization effects at the electrode surfaces. However, this frequency is low enough to neglect capacitive effects. The measured electrical resistance is a function of the electrode distance, the electrode width and the level of liquid between the electrodes. A micrometer is used to measure the liquid height and then the liquid hold-up is calculated. The non-linear correlation from calibration between the measured signal and the liquid hold-up is estimated. It was also found by calibration that, for electrode distances greater than 40 mm and an electrode width of 5 mm, the measured liquid hold-up is independent of the interface curvature. In this work, an electrode width of 5 mm and electrode distance of 60 mm are used. The uncertainty in the measured liquid hold-up is estimated to be  $\pm 2\%$ . All the signals of the measuring transducers are registered by a data acquisition system with a frequency of 20 Hz and, finally, they are averaged over the time elapsed.

Experiments are conducted with various flow rates of air and water, various inclination angles of the bend  $(\theta)$ , various lengths of the horizontal pipe, and various water inlet conditions. The system pressure is constant at 130 kPa during the experiments. In the experiments, the air flow rate is increased by small increments, while the water flow rate is kept constant. After each change in inlet air flow rate, the air and water flow rates are recorded. The pressure drop across the test section, the entrained water and the liquid hold-up are registered through the transducers and transferred to the data acquisition system. The experiments are carried on until the point of zero liquid penetration appears, when all the water at the outlet is carried over by the air flow.

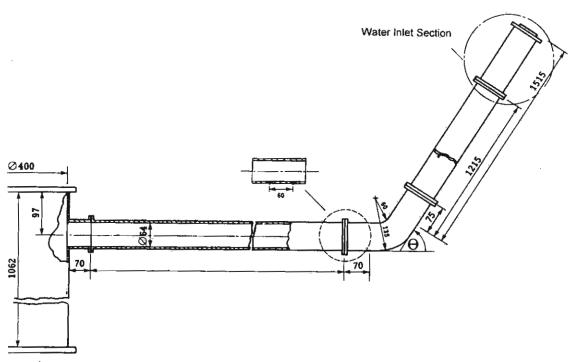


Fig. 4. Test Section

### 3. Results and discussion

### 3.1 Description of the flooding phenomena

The CCFL was determined by keeping the injected water flow rates constant, and the air flow rate was increased in small increments up to the onset of flooding and the point of zero liquid penetration. Flooding may be characterized by visual observation and pressure drop. Under specific experimental conditions, the onset of flooding is found to depend on the inlet feed water flow rate. Figs. 6 and 7 show the relation between the square root of the dimensionless superficial velocity of water at the outlet of the horizontal pipe  $(j_{L,o}^*)^{1/2}$  and the pressure drop  $(\Delta P)$ , respectively, with the square root of the dimensionless superficial velocity of air  $(j_G^*)^{1/2}$ . The variables  $j_G^*$  and  $j_L^*$  are defined by

$$j_k^* = \left[\frac{\rho_k}{(\rho_L - \rho_G)gD}\right]^{1/2} j_k \tag{1}$$

where  $j_k$  and  $\rho_k$  denote the superficial velocity and

density, respectively, of phase k; g is the gravitational acceleration and D is the pipe diameter. In both figures, the phenomena of flooding are shown.

For single-phase flow, the pressure drop increases slightly as the air flow rate is increased. In the case of two-phase countercurrent flow, the interfacial shear force increases at high air flow rates. Before the onset of flooding is reached, the superficial velocities of the water at the inlet and outlet of the pipe are equal. The pressure drop of two-phase flow increases slightly until the onset of flooding is reached. As a result of instabilities at the interface, slugging occurs and the pressure drop suddenly increases. The slugs carry a fraction of the injected water to the outlet; thus, the water flow at the outlet of the horizontal pipe is smaller and, afterwards, the pressure drop decreases.

### 3.2. Flooding curve

A typical flooding curve that connects all points

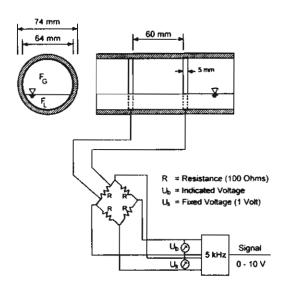


Fig. 5. Method of measurement of liquid hold-up.

of the onset of flooding is shown in Fig. 8, which presents the relation between  $(j_L^*)^{1/2}$  and  $(j_G^*)^{1/2}$ . The flooding curve is divided into three regions, in each of which the mechanism of flooding is different. These three mechanisms are dependent on the water flow rate.

In the first region  $((j_L^*)^{1/2} < 0.2)$ , the air flow rate that creates the onset of flooding decreases, while the water flow rate increases. Because the water flow rate is accelerated by gravity, the supercritical flow suddenly changes to subcritical flow in the horizontal part, and a hydraulic jump is observed. The position of the hydraulic jump is dependent

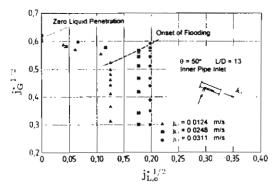


Fig. 6. Relationship between water outflow and air flow at constant inlet feed water flow.

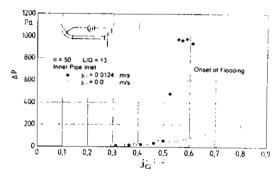


Fig. 7. Relationship between pressure drop and air flow at constant inlet feed water flow.

on the water flow rate. At low water flow rates, the hydraulic jump is very thin and appears near the bend. At a higher water flow rate, the hydraulic jump is larger and shifts away from the bend.

At a certain air flow, the flooding point is reached. The hydraulic jump is shifted back to the bend and the air-water interface in this region becomes more wavy. The large-amplitude roll wave appears. This creates an instability of the interfaces and a decrease in the flow path of air. Thus, air velocities near the crest of the waves are higher, leading to the blowing up of the wave crests, which break up into droplets and splash up to the inner wall of the bend. The interface in the horizontal section, except for the vicinity of the bend, is calmer. With further gradual increasing of the air flow, some water is eventually carried over by air to the separation unit. Finally, at the

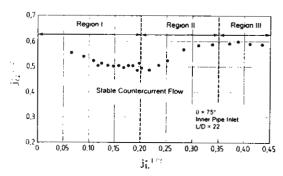


Fig. 8. Typical flooding curve.

onset of the zero liquid penetration limit, there is no flow to the outlet of the horizontal pipe.

In the second region  $(0.2 < (j_L^*)^{1/2} < 0.35)$ , the air flow rate that initiates flooding increases with increases of the water flow rate. In this region, two different phenomena are observed.

For  $(j_L^*)^{1/2}$  slightly greater than 0.20, the hydraulic jump happens in the horizontal section near the supply tank, and the height of the jump is greater as the air flow is increased. Eventually, at a specific air flow rate, the onset of flooding is reached. As a result of the instability of the interface at the front face of the hydraulic jump, an unstable wave is formed. The flow area is reduced and the high velocity of the air pushes the injected water ahead like a froth slug. The formation of the slug is accompanied by a sharp increase in the pressure drop across the horizontal pipe, and the slug leads to a continuous carryover of water from the horizontal pipe to the separation unit. Bridging of the pipe occurs inside the horizontal part near the bend, before the slug moves through the bend to the inclined pipe.

For  $(j_L^*)^{1/2} > 0.20$ , a slight increase in air flow causes the hydraulic jump to occur at the water outlet or near the outlet. Unstable waves are formed and splash up to the upper wall of the horizontal pipe, forming a slug. The slug is swiftly pushed upstream. Bridging occurs relatively far away from the lower leg of bend. In this region, the location of the onset of flooding coincides with the location of the onset of slugging in the horizontal pipe, accompanied by partial or total carry-over of the injected water.

In the third region, the water flow is large  $((j_L^*)^{1/2} > 0.35)$  and the air flow rate that initiates the flooding tends to decrease with increasing water flow rate. The flow is supercritical throughout the horizontal leg and no hydraulic jump is observed. Just before the onset of flooding, there is a thickening of the water film at the outlet. Many small droplets are carried back from the free water to the upper wall of the pipe, near the outlet. At a sharply defined air flow rate, a slug is formed at the end of the horizontal pipe; it blocks the whole tube section and is then pushed strongly by the air with very high velocity to the bend through the separation unit, limiting the outflow of water.

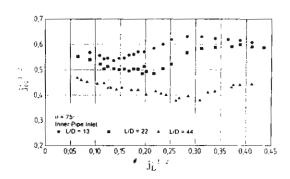


Fig. 9. Effect of horizontal length on flooding.

### 3.3. Effect of pipe length on flooding

In Fig. 9, the flooding curves for the three pipes with different length-to-diameter ratios are shown. With increasing horizontal pipe lengths, the air velocity at which flooding occurs decreases for the whole range of water flow rates, Considering the first region of flooding curves for all pipe lengths, the water level at the connection between the bend and the horizontal part is greater for the case of the longer pipe. Thus, the height of the hydraulic jump is greater for a specific water flow. The air flow in the vicinity of the crest of the hydraulic jump will be accelerated, so will have a higher air velocity, leading to earlier wave growth at the crest of the hydraulic jump; eventually, the flooding is initiated earlier. For shorter horizontal lengths, the flooding in this region occurs in a narrower interval than in the case of the longer pipes.

At intermediate water flow rates, a similar reason can be given. The effect of pipe length becomes clearer in this region. The reason is that, because of the increase in friction when the pipe is longer, the water flow is decelerated and the liquid hold-up will be higher. A hydraulic jump is formed and the flooding appears simultaneously with the onset of slugging somewhere in the horizontal part of the pipe.

At high water flow rates and for shorter pipes, the water flow rates create supercritical flow through the horizontal part; thus, the hydraulic jump is swept out from the end of the horizontal part, and the mechanisms of flooding are changed to the formation of slugging at the end of the horizontal pipe. This requires much higher air flow rates to initiate the flooding than with the longer horizontal lengths at the same water flow rate, or lower water flow rates at the same pipe length. It can also be seen that the effect of pipe length becomes clearer when the water flow rate is greater.

# 3.4. Effect of inclination angle of the bend on flooding

In Fig. 10, the flooding curves for different inclination angles of bend at the same water inlet condition and length-to-diameter ratio are shown. In the low water flow rate regions, for larger inclination angles, the change in water flow direction causes greater turbulence to develop in the lower leg of the bend. The considerable turbulence leads to a decrease in energy. This encourages the development of a hydraulic jump that is closer to the bend and higher. As the air flow rate is gradually increased further, an unstable wave is formed earlier at the crest of the hydraulic jump. Therefore, the air velocity necessary to cause flooding at a greater inclination angle seems a little bit lower. The range of water flow rates in this region for smaller inclination angles is narrower than the rates for larger inclination angles. At intermediate and high water flow rates, for smaller inclination angles, the water stream flows quickly and directly to the end of the horizontal pipe. The height of the hydraulic jump and the water level along the horizontal pipe are slightly less. Thus, in the case of the high water flow rate, the flow is more supercritical through the horizon-

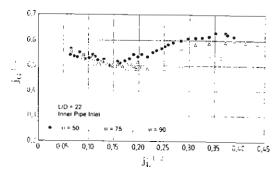


Fig. 10. Effect of inclination angle of bend on flooding.

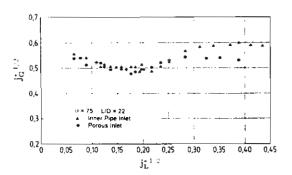


Fig. 11. Effect of water inlet conditions on flooding.

tal pipe than are the flow rates of larger inclination angles. The flow along the horizontal pipe is accelerated by gravity and tends to depress the growth of unstable waves. Therefore, a greater air flow rate is required to cause flooding.

### 3.5. Effect of the water inlet section on flooding

The effect of the water inlet condition is closely associated with the inclination angles. For the regions of low water flow rate, the onset of flooding is nearly the same for both types of water inlet. In regions of high water feed rates, the onset of flooding from the porous water inlet occurs at a lower air velocity. This is because of the local disturbance at the water inlet section. At higher inclination angles, as a result of the effect of gravity, the axial velocity of water from the porous water inlet increases and the local disturbance at the porous water inlet decreases. The difference in the onset of flooding for the two types of water inlet is reduced, but the porous water inlet has a slightly lower flooding velocity. The effect of the inclination angles and water inlet conditions can be investigated; these play an important role in the regions of intermediate and high water flow rates. Fig. 11 shows the effect of the water inlet conditions on flooding.

### 3.6. Zero liquid penetration limit

The zero liquid penetration limit is reached when the water flow rate at the water outlet or the air inlet of the horizontal pipe reaches zero. In Fig. 12, the air velocity is given at zero liquid

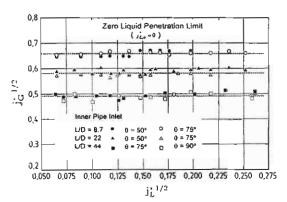


Fig. 12. Air flow at zero liquid penetration limit for specific water feed rate.

penetration for specific water feed rates with length-to-diameter ratios of the pipe and different types of inclination angles of the bend. The zero liquid penetration limit depends slightly on the inclination angle of the bend the water inlet conditions but depends strongly on the length of the pipe. With longer pipes, the zero liquid penetration limit is reached at a lower air velocity.

### 3.7. Void fraction at the onset of flooding

Fig. 13 shows the relationship between the void fraction ( $\varepsilon_G$ ) 70 mm from the bend and the dimensionless superficial velocity of air ( $j_G^*$ ) at the onset of flooding, for the interval of low liquid flow rate in which the flooding coincides with the onset of slugging near the bend (first region of the flooding curve). The void fraction is defined by  $\varepsilon_G = 1 - \varepsilon_L$ ,

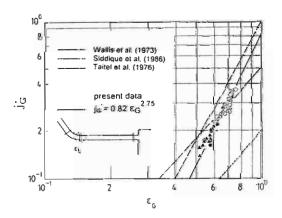


Fig. 13. Relationship between  $\varepsilon_G$  and  $j_G^*$ .

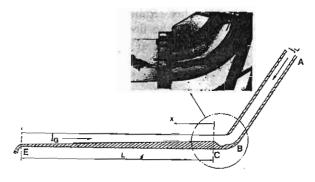


Fig. 14. Model for countercurrent two-phase flow during flooding in a horizontal pipe with a bend.

where  $\varepsilon_L$  is the liquid hold-up and can be measured directly by the method described in the previous section. The correlation can be represented as

$$j_{\rm G}^* = 0.82\varepsilon_{\rm G}^{2.75} \tag{2}$$

Fig. 13 also shows the correlation from the work of Siddiqui et al. (1986) for the countercurrent stratified flow in an elbow between a vertical and a horizontal or near-horizontal pipe, and shows the correlation from Wallis and Dobson (1973) and Taitel and Dukler (1976) for the cocurrent stratified flow in a horizontal pipe.

### 4. Mathematical model

For comparison with the experimental results, the theoretical flooding curves will be derived to show the curves as functions of the gas and liquid flow rates. Ardron and Banerjee (1986) presented a model based on the instability of the gas-liquid interface and the formation of a hydraulic jump in the horizontal pipe. The model will be modified for this study. The flow phenomenon which is observed from the experiment and is used as the basis for the calculation is shown in Fig. 14.

A horizontal pipe is connected to an inclined pipe by a bend. Liquid is injected at A through the liquid inlet section at a constant flow rate, and flows down the wall of inclined pipe and then along the bottom of the horizontal pipe in stratified flow to the liquid outlet section. Gas is injected into the system at E and flows counter-

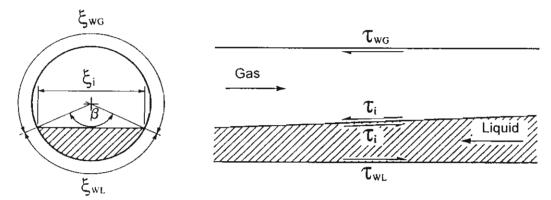


Fig. 15. Stratified countercurrent flow.

currently to the liquid flow. The critical conditions for flooding for this kind of pipe geometry are those at C, and the interaction between the inclined and horizontal pipes is vital to understand the phenomenon. The flow of liquid from the inclined pipe is initially supercritically at B. The transition of the flow to subcritical flow occurs near the bend, at the horizontal section. This transition forms a hydraulic jump at C, which is the point of maximum liquid depth. The level of liquid in the horizontal pipe decreases continuously in the direction of the liquid outlet (E), where the liquid level is at a minimum.

The described flooding conditions can be solved by using the conservation equations for steady stratified two-fluid flow between the hydraulic jump and the liquid outlet. Neglecting viscous interactions and ignoring pressure changes at the interface caused by surface tension, the one-dimensional equations for momentum and mass conservation for the gas and liquid phases for the steady horizontal stratified flow can be written as

$$\varepsilon_{G} \rho_{G} \bar{v}_{G} \frac{\partial \bar{v}_{G}}{\partial x} + \varepsilon_{G} \frac{\partial P_{i}}{\partial x} - \frac{F}{\xi_{i}} \varepsilon_{G} \rho_{G} g \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{G}}{\partial x}$$

$$= \left| \tau_{wG} \right| \frac{\xi_{wG}}{F} + \tau_{i} \frac{\xi_{i}}{F}$$

$$\varepsilon_{L} \rho_{L} \bar{v}_{L} \frac{\partial \bar{v}_{L}}{\partial x} + \varepsilon_{L} \frac{\partial P_{i}}{\partial x} + \frac{F}{\xi_{i}} \varepsilon_{L} \rho_{L} g \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{L}}{\partial x}$$
(3)

$$= -\left|\tau_{wL}\right| \frac{\xi_{wL}}{F} - \frac{\tau_i \xi_i}{F} \tag{4}$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{v}_{G}}{\partial x} = \frac{-\bar{v}_{G}}{\varepsilon_{G}} \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{G}}{\partial x} \tag{5}$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{v}_{L}}{\partial x} = \frac{\bar{v}_{L}}{\varepsilon_{L}} \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{L}}{\partial x} \tag{6}$$

where x is the distance from point C,  $\tau_{wG}$ ,  $\tau_{wL}$  and  $\tau_i$  are the gas-wall, liquid-wall and interfacial shear stresses, and  $\xi$  represents the perimeters which can be expressed in terms of the angle  $\beta$  (Fig. 15).

Eliminating  $\partial \bar{v}_L/\partial x$ ,  $\partial \bar{v}_G/\partial x$  and  $\partial P_i/\partial x$  between Eqs. (3)–(6), the following equation is obtained:

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\rm G}}{\partial x} = \frac{4}{\pi D^2}$$

$$\frac{(|\tau_{\rm wG}|\xi_{\rm wG}/\varepsilon_{\rm G} + |\tau_{\rm wL}|\xi_{\rm wL}/\varepsilon_{\rm L} + \tau_{\rm i}\xi_{\rm i}/\varepsilon_{\rm G} + \tau_{\rm i}\xi_{\rm i}/\varepsilon_{\rm L})}{[(\rho_{\rm L} - \rho_{\rm G})Fg/\xi_{\rm i} - \rho_{\rm L}\bar{v}_{\rm L}^2/\varepsilon_{\rm L} - \rho_{\rm G}\bar{v}_{\rm G}^2/\varepsilon_{\rm G}]}$$
(7)

Recalling the definition of the dimensionless superficial velocity of phase k, where the superficial velocity  $j_k$  is defined by  $j_k = \varepsilon_k \bar{v}_k$ , Eq. (7) may be written as

$$D \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{G}}{\partial x} = \frac{4\varepsilon_{L}\varepsilon_{G}/[(\rho_{L} - \rho_{G})g\pi D^{2}]}{(|\tau_{wG}|\xi_{wG}/\varepsilon_{G} + |\tau_{wL}|\xi_{wL}/\varepsilon_{L} + \tau_{i}\xi_{i}/\varepsilon_{G}\varepsilon_{L})}{\pi D\varepsilon_{G}\varepsilon_{L}/4\xi_{i} - \varepsilon_{L}(j_{G}^{*})^{2}/\varepsilon_{G}^{2} - \varepsilon_{G}(j_{L}^{*})^{2}/\varepsilon_{L}^{2}}$$
(8)

The wall and interface momentum transfer terms are expressed as

$$\tau_{wk} = (-1)^a \frac{1}{2} \psi_{wk} \rho_k \bar{v}_k^2$$

where a = 1, for k = G and a = 2, for k = L. Also, we have

$$\tau_{\rm i} = \tau_{\rm wG}$$

with

$$\psi_{wG} = C_G \operatorname{Re}_G^{-n}, \qquad \psi_{wL} = C_L \operatorname{Re}_L^{-m}$$

where

$$Re_k = \frac{\rho_k \bar{v}_k D_{kh}}{\mu_k}$$

The hydraulic diameter  $D_{kh}$  is defined by Agrawal et al. (1973) as

$$D_{\rm Gh} = \frac{4F_{\rm G}}{(\xi_{\rm wG} + \xi_{\rm i})}, \qquad D_{\rm Lh} = \frac{4F_{\rm L}}{\xi_{\rm wl}}$$

For turbulent flow,  $C_k = 0.046$ , n = m = 0.2; for laminar flow,  $C_k = 16$ , n = m = 1.

At a free outflow, such as obtained in the experiments,  $\partial \varepsilon_G/\partial x \rightarrow \infty$ , and, from Eq. (8), we have

$$\frac{\pi D \varepsilon_{\rm G} \varepsilon_{\rm L}}{4\xi_{\rm i}} - \frac{\varepsilon_{\rm L} (j_{\rm G}^*)^2}{\varepsilon_{\rm G}^2} - \frac{\varepsilon_{\rm G} (j_{\rm L}^*)^2}{\varepsilon_{\rm L}^2} = 0 \tag{9}$$

Gardner (1988) obtained the same equation from his derivation. The equation represents the condition for the transition to supercritical flow, where any small interfacial disturbance will be held stationary and cannot propagate against the flow. The equation is recognized as the equation for two-phase critical flow. Eq. (8) can be integrated from the location of the hydraulic jump (at which the void fraction is  $\varepsilon_{G,C}$ ) to the outlet of the horizontal pipe (at which the void fraction is  $\varepsilon_{G,c}$ ). The distance between these is nominally taken to be the length L of the horizontal section. Thus, we have

$$\frac{L}{D} = \int_{\epsilon_{G,G}}^{\epsilon_{G,e}} \frac{d\epsilon_{G}}{\phi}$$
 (10)

where  $\phi$  represents the right-hand-side term of Eq. (8) and is a function of  $\varepsilon_G$ ,  $\varepsilon_L$ ,  $j_G^*$ ,  $j_L^*$ ,  $\mu_G$ ,  $\mu_L$ 

Eq. (10) will be solved iteratively for  $j_G^*$  and

 $j_{L}^{*}$ , with  $\varepsilon_{G,e}$  determined from Eq. (9) and  $\varepsilon_{G,C}$  determined from Eq. (2). The solution is a pair of dimensionless superficial velocities which, for the particular choice of pipe geometry, define the flooding point.

### 4.1. Flooding curves from calculations

The results obtained from the calculation using the method described above are shown in Fig. 16. It shows the different flooding curves which are produced from the calculation at the different length-to-diameter ratios. Air and water are used as working fluids. The wall momentum transfer terms are calculated based on n = m =0.2,  $C_G = C_L = 0.046$  for turbulent flow and n =m=1,  $C_G=C_L=16$  for laminar flow. The phase Reynolds numbers are evaluated from the hydraulic diameter, as suggested by Agrawal et al. (1973). It is interesting to consider that the interface momentum transfer term is taken as being equal to the wall momentum transfer term in the part of the pipe occupied by the gas phase. The same assumption was used for the work of Ohnuki et al. (1988) and Ardron and Banerjee (1986). With this method, the flooding curves for many combinations of working fluids, such as steam-water, can also be produced. However, suitable fluid properties and a suitable interfacial friction factor are needed.

### 4.2. Comparison with experimental data

Figs. 17 and 18 show a comparison of the air—water data with the present model. The agreement of the present model with the experimental

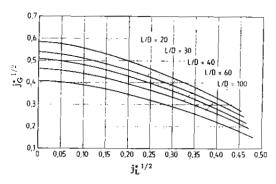


Fig. 16. Predicted flooding curves.

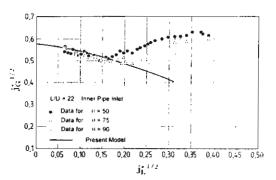


Fig. 17. Comparison of present data with the predictions.

data is satisfactory, especially for a large length-to-diameter ratio. In the case of a pipe with a large length-to-diameter ratio, the error from two-dimensional effects is overcome. This is why, for large length-to-diameter ratios, the experimental data agree quite well with the model. However, for greater liquid flow rates, the prediction fails, because of a change in the flooding mechanism. For very high liquid flow rates, the liquid flow remains supercritical in the horizontal part, and the model is also not applicable to this situation. The model gives the zero liquid penetration limit  $(j_L^*=0)$  that corresponds to the experimental data.

The data obtained by Wan and Krishnan (1986), Siddiqui et al. (1986) and Kawaji et al. (1991) are compared with the predictions from the present model. Figs. 19-21 show comparisons with air-water data. Reasonable agreement between the model and the experiment is obtained for  $j_L^{*1/2} < 0.5$ . Above this limit, the mechanism of flooding is different in the absence of a hydraulic jump at the horizontal part close to the bend, as explained previously.

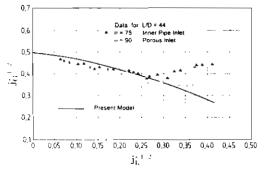


Fig. 18. Comparison of present data with the predictions.

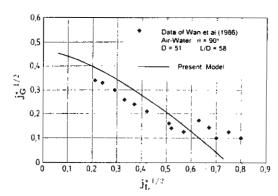


Fig. 19. Comparison of air-water flooding data of Wan et al. (1986) with the predictions.

Fig. 22 shows a comparison of the steam-water data from Wan (1986) with the calculation. Because there is some discrepancy in interfacial friction coefficient  $\psi_i$  between a combination of fluid (between air-water and steam-water), the interfacial friction coefficient for steam-water from Kim (1983) is used in the mathematical model. Again, good agreement is seen until inlet water subcooling and supercritical water flow effects begin to influence to flooding phenomenon.

### 5. Conclusions

The paper presents new data for countercurrent flow of a gas and liquid in a horizontal pipe with a bend. Experiments were performed to determine the CCFL and the zero liquid penetration limit. Water was ejected through the test section while

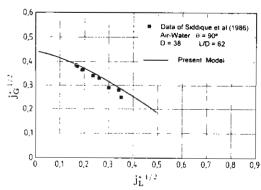


Fig. 20. Comparison of air—water flooding data of Siddiqui et al. (1986) with the predictions.

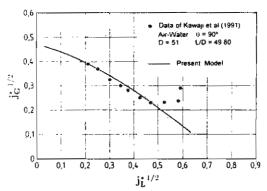


Fig. 21. Comparison of air-water flooding data of Kawaji et al. (1991) with the predictions.

air flowed countercurrently. The phenomena observed visually are described in detail, together with the other data obtained during the experiment. Different flow regimes appear, depending on the conditions of air and water inflow. At low and intermediate water flow rates, the onset of flooding coincides with the onset of slugging of unstable waves that formed at the crest of the hydraulic jump. The position of the onset of slugging indicates different phenomena in the test section. At low water flow rates, slugging appears at the lower leg of the bend; at higher water flow rates, it appears far from the bend. For high water flow rates, no hydraulic jump is observed and flooding occurs as a result of slug formation at the end of the horizontal pipe. In addition, the onset of flooding is found to depend on the length of the horizontal pipes, the water inlet conditions and the inclination angle of the bends.

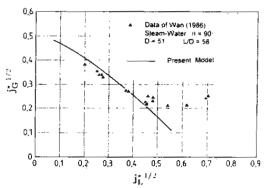


Fig. 22. Comparison of steam-water flooding data of Wan (1986) with the predictions.

An analytical two-fluid model is developed for predicting the CCFL for a horizontal pipe with a bend. The model development is based on visual observation that liquid entering the bend formed the hydraulic jump close to the bend in the horizontal part. The flow conditions between the hydraulic jump and critical outflow of water are determined by solving the two-fluid mass and momentum conservations for steady horizontal stratified flow. An empirical correlation, which is the relation between the dimensionless superficial gas velocity and the void fraction at the hydraulic jump near the bend, is used in the mathematical model. The predicted flooding limit, as a function of the length-to-diameter ratio, is in reasonable agreement with experimental results. The model can predict the onset of flooding at the specific interval of liquid flow rate in which the flooding coincides with slugging at the crest of the hydraulic jump near the bend,

The results of this study are of technological importance for the design and analysis of thermalhydraulic responses of nuclear reactors during accidental conditions.

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# Appendix A: Nomenclature

C<sub>G</sub> parameter (dimensionless)

C<sub>L</sub> parameter (dimensionless)

D pipe diameter (m)

F cross-sectional area of pipe ( $m^2$ )

g gravitational acceleration (m s<sup>-2</sup>)

L pipe length (m)

m parameter (dimensionless)

n parameter (dimensionless)

p pressure (Pa)

- ΔP pressure drop (Pa)
- j superficial velocity (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- $\bar{v}$  average velocity (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- j\* dimensionless superficial velocity defined byEq. (1)

## Greek symbols

- $\varepsilon_L$  liquid hold-up (dimensionless)
- $\varepsilon_G$  void fraction (dimensionless)
- $\theta$  inclination angle of bend (degrees)
- $\rho$  density (kg m<sup>-3</sup>)
- $\beta$  angle defined in Fig. 15
- $\zeta$  perimeter (m)
- $\tau$  shear stress (N m<sup>-2</sup>)

# Subscripts

- k gas or liquid
- i interface or inlet
- o outlet
- G gas
- L liquid
- wG wall-gas
- wL wall-liquid
- kh hydraulic

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# บทคัดย่อ

การใหลสวนกันของของเหลวและก๊าซเป็นรูปแบบหนึ่งของการใหลสองสถานะ (Two Phase Flow) ในการใหลสวนกันของของไหลสองสถานะในท่อขึ่งวางในแนวเอียง ของเหลวจะไหลเป็นขั้น ผ่านลงมาตามผนังของท่อและก๊าซไหลสวนทางขึ้นไป เมื่อมีการเปลี่ยนแปลงอัตราการใหลของของ เหลวหรือก๊าซแล้วไม่ทำให้รูปแบบของการใหลเปลี่ยนแปลง แสดงว่าสภาวะนั้นยังสมดุลย์ต่อการ ใหลสวนกัน แต่ถ้ามีการเปลี่ยนแปลงอัตราการใหลของของไหลจนกระทั่งถึงจุดที่เรียกว่าการใหล ท่วมของกระแสไหลสวน (Countercurrent Flooding) หรือจุดจำกัดในการใหลสวนกัน (Countercurrent Flooding)

ในงานวิจัยนี้เป็นการศึกษาการจำกัดในการใหลส่วนกันของของเหลวและก๊าซในท่อที่วาง อยู่ในแนวเอียงจากแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์ ซึ่งได้จากสมการสมคุลย์โมเมนตัมของของไหลทั้ง สอง ประกอบกับพารามิเตอร์อื่นๆที่ได้จากงานวิจัยในอดีต เช่น ความเค้นเจือนที่ผนังท่อ และที่ ผิวสัมผัสของของไหลทั้งสอง ตลอดจนสมการซึ่งแสดงสมมุติฐานในการเกิด CCFL ความสัมพันธ์ ทั้งหมดจะถูกนำมาประกอบกันเพื่อสร้างแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์สำหรับใช้ทำนายการจำกัดใน การใหลสวนกันของของเหลวและก๊าซในท่อเอียง

แบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์ที่สร้างขึ้นมา สามารถใช้ศึกษาปรากฏการณ์ที่เกิดขึ้นของ ระบบได้โดยไม่ได้ใช้การทดลองเข้าช่วย จากงานวิจัยนี้พบว่าแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์สามารถ ทำนาย CCFL ได้ โดยที่มุมเอียงของท่อที่เปลี่ยนแปลงไปมีผลกระทบต่อการเกิด CCFL ในช่วงที่มุม เอียงของท่อปานกลาง (30°-60°จากแนวนอน) ผลกระทบของมุมเอียงที่เปลี่ยนแปลงจะมีผลต่อ การเกิด CCFL ไม่มากนัก แต่เมื่อมุมเอียงของท่อเข้าใกล้แนวดิ่งมากขึ้น (70°-80° จากแนวนอน) ผลกระทบของมุมเอียงที่เปลี่ยนแปลงจะมีผลต่อการเกิด CCFL มากขึ้น เนื่องจากมุมเอียงของท่อที่ เปลี่ยนแปลงไปจะมีผลต่อค่าพารามิเตอร์ในแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์ \*นักศึกษาปริญญาใก \*\*ผู้ช่วยศาสตราจารย์

บทน้ำ

เราจะพบการใหลสองสถานะของของเหลวและก๊าซอยู่ ตลอดเวลาในขบวนการทาง
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ไหลสวนกันของของใหลสองสถานะในท่อซึ่งวางในแนวเอียงของเหลวจะใหลเป็นแผ่นบางผ่าน
ลงมาตามผนังของท่อและก๊าซไหลสวนทางขึ้นไป เมื่อมีการเปลี่ยนแปลงอัตราการใหลของของ
เหลวและก๊าซแล้วไม่ทำให้รูปแบบของการใหลเปลี่ยนแปลง แสดงว่าสภาวะนั้นยังสมคุลย์ต่อ
การใหลสวนกัน แต่ถ้ามีเปลี่ยนแปลงอัตราการใหลของของใหลจนกระทั่งถึงจุดที่เรียกว่าจุด
จำกัดในการใหลสวนกัน(Countercurrent flow limitation:CCFL) รูปแบบของการใหลจะเปลี่ยน
จากการใหลสวนกันเป็นการใหลตามกัน

ได้มีการศึกษากันพอสมควรทั้งทฤษฎีและการทดลองของการใหลสวนกันของของใหล สองสถานะ โดยเฉพาะกรณีของท่อที่วางอยู่ในแนวดิ่ง Wallis et.al. [1] ศึกษาพบว่าขนาดของท่อ และสภาวะของทางเข้าออกของของเหลวและก๊าซ เป็นปัจจัยที่สำคัญต่อการเกิดCCFL

Tien et.al. [2] ศึกษาถึงผลกระทบของขนาดท่อและลักษณะทางเข้าและทางออกของ ของเหลวที่มีต่อการเกิดCCFL ในท่อที่วางอยู่ในแนวดิ่ง พบว่าเมื่อทำการออกแบบลักษณะทาง เข้าให้มีผลกระทบให้น้อยที่สุดแล้ว ผลจากแรงกระทำระหว่างผิวสัมผัสของของเหลวและก๊าซ และขนาดท่อที่เปลี่ยนไปไม่ใช่ ผลกระทบหลักของการเกิดCCFL เมื่อเปลี่ยนลักษณะของทาง เข้าของของเหลวและก๊าซเป็นแบบ Sharp edge inlet CCFLจะเกิดขึ้นที่บริเวณทางเข้าของของ เหลว เนื่องมาจากผลของความหนาของของเหลวที่บริเวณทางเข้า เมื่อทางเข้าของของเหลวมี ลักษณะที่ไม่ราบเรียบ ขนาดของท่อที่เปลี่ยนแปลงไป จะเป็นปัจจัยที่สำคัญอีกปัจจัยหนึ่งต่อ การเกิดCCFL

Hewitt [3] ศึกษาการเกิดCCFL ของท่อที่วางอยู่ในแนวเอียงและมีลักษณะทางเข้าของของเหลวแบบรูพรุน( porous section ) และทางออกของของเหลวสองรูปแบบคือแบบปลายตัดตรงและแบบปลายตัดทำมุม 30 พบว่าทางออกของของเหลวและมุมของท่อที่เปลี่ยนแปลงไปมีผลต่อการเกิดCCFL ที่ความเร็วของก๊าขคงที่ความเร็วของของของเหลวที่CCFL จะสูงขึ้นเมื่อมุมเอียงของท่อเพิ่มขึ้นจากแนวนอน และท่อที่มีทางออกของของเหลวแบบปลายตัดทำมุม 30 จะทำให้ความเร็วของของเหลวที่CCFL สูงกว่าท่อที่มีทางออกของของเหลวแบบปลายตัดตรง

Lee and Bankoff [4] ทำการศึกษาถึงผลกระทบจากการกลั่นตัวของน้ำต่อการเกิดCCFL ในท่อหน้าตัดรูปทรงเหลี่ยมที่วางอยู่ในแนวเอียง โดยทำการเปลี่ยนแปลงอุณหภูมิของของเหลว ที่จ่ายเข้าสู่ท่อทดสอบ พบว่าเมื่อท่อมีขนาดยาวอุณหภูมิของของเหลวที่เปลี่ยนแปลงไม่มีผลต่อ การเกิดCCFL และที่ความเร็วของก๊าซคงที่ความเร็วของของของเหลวที่CCFL จะสูงขึ้น เมื่อมุม เอียงของท่อลดลงจากแนวนอนและเมื่อหน้าตัดท่อมีขนาดใหญ่ขึ้น

Barnea et.al. [5] ศึกษาถึงผลกระทบของทางเข้าและทางออกของของเหลวสองรูปแบบ คือทางเข้าเป็นรูพรุน (porous section) และการใช้ท่อเล็กส่งของเหลวเข้าไป (inner tube section) ที่มีต่อการเกิดCCFL ของท่อที่วางในแนวเอียง พบว่าทางเข้าแบบรูพรุนและมุมเอียงมี ผลต่อการเกิดCCFL เนื่องจากทางเข้าแบบรูพรุนทำให้เกิด local hump ซึ่งจะหายไปเมื่อมุม เอียงของท่อเพิ่มขึ้นและมุมเอียงที่เปลี่ยนแปลงทำให้พื้นที่ผิวสัมผัสระหว่างของไหลทั้งสอง เปลี่ยนแปลงไป

Beckmann and Mewes [6] ศึกษาถึงการเกิดCCFL ในท่อเอียง พบว่าท่อที่มีมุมเอียง น้อยจากแนวนอน ( 5°-20°) มุมเอียงของท่อที่เปลี่ยนแปลงมีผลต่อการเกิดCCFL มากกว่าท่อที่ มีมุมเอียงปานกลางจากแนวนอน ( 25°-50°) และที่ความเร็วของก๊าขคงที่ความเร็วของของ เหลวที่CCFL จะสูงขึ้นเมื่อมุมเอียงของท่อเพิ่มขึ้น

Gardner [7] ได้พัฒนาบรรทัดฐานสำหรับทำนายการเกิดCCFLของเหลวและก๊าซในท่อที่ อยู่ในแนวนอน ซึ่งปรับปรุงจากบรรทัดฐานของ Wallis [1] โดยน้ำอัตราส่วนของความหนาแน่น ของของเหลวมาเพิ่มเติมจากบรรทัดฐานเดิม

Daly and Harlow [9] ได้ศึกษาระเบียบวิธีเชิงตัวเลขของการใหลสวนกันของน้ำและ ใชน้ำในท่อขนาดใหญ่ที่วางอยู่ในแนวนอน เพื่อหาข้อมูลสำหรับอธิบายถึงการแลกเปลี่ยนกัน ของมวล,โมเมนตัม และ พลังงาน ระหว่างของไหลสองสถานะในขณะที่มีการจ่ายน้ำเข้าสู่ระบบ ท่อใน Nuclear Power Plant

Shearer and Davidson [10], Centinbudakler and Jameson [11] และ Imura et.al. [12], ทำการศึกษาทฤษฏีที่ใช้ทำนายการเกิดCCFL และได้แนะนำว่าการเริ่มต้นของCCFLจะเกิดขึ้น เนื่องจากเกิดคลื่นในการไหลสวนกันอย่างรวดเร็ว

Wallis et.al. [13] อธิบายถึงรูปแบบของฟิล์มของเหลวสำหรับการไหลสวนกันในท่อที่วาง อยู่ในแนวดิ่ง ซึ่งพบว่าความหนาของของเหลวในท่อเป็นตัวแปรหนึ่งที่มีผลกระทบต่อการเกิด CCFL

เนื่องจากในปัจจุบันการศึกษาถึงการไหลสวนกันของของไหลในท่อเอียงยังไม่แพร่หลาย เมื่อเปรียบเทียบกับการศึกษาสำหรับท่อในแนวดิ่งและในแนวราบ ในงานวิจัยนี้จะเป็นการ ศึกษาการเกิดCCFLของเหลวและก๊าซในท่อที่วางอยู่ในแนวเอียงจากแบบจำลองทางคณิต-

ศาสตร์ซึ่งได้จากสมการสมคุลย์โมเมนตัมของของไหลทั้งสองประกอบกับตัวพารามิเตอร์ที่ได้ จากการทดลองในอดีต เช่น ความเค้นเฉือนที่ผนังท่อและที่ผิวสัมผัสของของไหลทั้งสอง ตลอด จนสมการซึ่งแสดงสมมุติฐานในการเกิดCCFL โดยใช้อากาศแทนก๊าซ และน้ำแทนของเหลวผล ลัพธ์ที่ได้จะถูกใช้เป็นแนวทางในการออกแบบอุปกรณ์ในระบบที่มีการไหลสวนกันของของไหล สองสถานะ

# แบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์

ก่อนที่จะเกิดCCFLขึ้นในท่อที่วางอยู่ในแนวเอียงการไหลของของไหลจะอยู่ในรูปของการ ไหลแบบแบ่งแยกขั้นซึ่งเราสามารถหาความสัมพันธ์ของการไหลได้จากสมการสมดุลย์โมเมนตัม ในสภาวะสม่ำเสมอ (steady state momentum balance) จากรูปที่ 1 เราจะได้

$$-\tau_L S_L - \tau_i S_i + A_L \rho_L g \sin \beta - A_L \frac{dp}{dx} = 0$$
 (1)

$$\tau_G S_G + \tau_i S_i + A_G \rho_G g \sin \beta - A_G \frac{dp}{dx} = 0$$
 (2)

จากการรวมสมการที่ (1) และ (2) จะทำให้สามารถกำจัด  $rac{dp}{dx}$  ออกไปได้ และได้ผลลัพธ์ดังนี้

$$\tau_G \frac{S_G}{A_G} + \tau_L \frac{S_L}{A_L} + \tau_i \left( \frac{S_i}{A_G} + \frac{S_i}{A_L} \right) - \left( \rho_L - \rho_G \right) g \sin \beta = 0$$
(3)

โดยที่ Shear Stress หาได้จาก

$$\tau_L = f_L \frac{\rho_L U_L^2}{2}$$

$$\tau_G = f_G \frac{\rho_G U_G^2}{2} \tag{4}$$

$$\tau_i = f_i \frac{\rho_G (U_G + U_L)^2}{2}$$

friction factor ของก๊าซและของเหลวจะหาได้จาก

$$f_{L} = C_{L} \left( \frac{D_{L}U_{L}}{v_{L}} \right)^{-n}$$

$$f_{G} = C_{G} \left( \frac{D_{G}U_{G}}{v_{G}} \right)^{-n}$$
(5)

 $D_{\rm L}$  และ  $D_{\rm G}$  คือ hydraulic diameter ซึ่งถูกตั้งขึ้นโดย Agrawal et.al.[13]

$$D_{L} = \frac{4A_{L}}{S_{L}}$$

$$D_{G} = \frac{4A_{G}}{S_{G} + S_{i}}$$
(6)

ความเร็วของของเหลว และก๊าซจะหาได้จาก

$$U_L = \frac{U_{LS}A}{A_L}$$

$$U_G = \frac{U_{GS}A}{A_G}$$

ค่า  $A_L$ ,  $A_GS_LS_G$  และ  $S_i$  เป็นปริมาณเชิงเรขาคณิตของรูปทรงจะขึ้นอยู่กับ ระดับ ของของเหลวที่สมคุล  $h_L$  และ  $f_i$ ,  $f_Lf_GC_L$ ,  $C_Gm$  และ n เป็นพารามิเตอร์ที่ได้จากการ ทคลองในอดีต

สมการที่ (3) ถึงสมการ (6)ใช้สำหรับหาระดับของของเหลวที่จุดสมดุลย์ซึ่งสามารถ หาได้จาก วิธี Iterative technique

พารามิเตอร์สำหรับกรณีการใหลแบบราบเรียบและการใหลแบบอลวน จะให้ไว้ดังนี้

$$C_G = C_L = 16$$

$$n = m = 1.0$$

(7)

$$C_G = C_L = 0.046$$

$$n = m = 0.2$$

ในกรณีของ stratified smooth flow เราอาจจะสามารถหาค่าของ friction factor โดย ใช้ค่า friction fractor ของท่อเรียบแทนได้ กรณี wavy interface ก็จะสามารถหาได้ด้วยวิธีเดียว กัน สำหรับกรณีการใหลในแนวดึ๋งและแนวเอียงนั้น Wallis et.al.[1] ได้แนะนำค่าที่แสดงความ สัมพันธ์ของ interfacial friction factor ในเทอมของความหนาของฟิล์มเฉลี่ย (average film thickness) หรือ Void fraction ไว้ดังนี้

$$f_i = \alpha + b(1 - \alpha)^n \tag{8}$$
โดยที่

a คือ interfacial friction factor ของการใหลในท่อที่ไม่มีของเหลว

 $b(1-lpha)^n$  คือ ส่วนเสริมที่ได้มาจาก film waviness และ Momentum exchange ซึ่งทำให้ เกิด interfacial shear

สำหรับกรณีที่เส้นผ่าศูนย์กลางภายในท่อเท่ากับ 0.051 เมตร Wallis et.al.[1] ได้แนะนำ ให้ใช้ค่า a=0.005 , b=24 และ n=2.04

กรณีการใหลสวนกันในท่อเอียงนั้นค่า interfacial friction factor ไม่สามารถหาได้ด้วยวิธี ข้างต้น Cohen and Hanratty [14] ได้แนะนำให้ใช้  $f_{\rm i}$  = 0.0142 Gazley [15] แนะนำสำหรับการ ไหลตามกันแบบราบเรียบ ในกรณีที่ความเร็วของก๊าซมีค่ามากกว่าความเร็วของของไหลมากๆ ค่าของ  $f_{\rm i}$  จะเท่ากับ  $f_{\rm G}$ 

การวิเคราะห์การเกิดCCFLในท่อซึ่งวางอยู่ในแนวเอียงจะเริ่มพิจารณาจากการไหลสวนกัน แบบแยกขั้น โดยที่ของเหลวจะไหลเป็นแผ่นบางผ่านลงมาตามผนังของท่อและก๊าซไหลสวนทางขึ้นไป ที่ผิวสัมผัสของของไหลจะมีคลื่นเกิดอยู่ที่ผิวของเหลวเนื่องจากพื้นที่หน้าตัดลดลงก๊าซจะมีอัตราเร่งเพิ่มขึ้น ซึ่งเป็นสาเหตุให้คลื่นมีขนาดโตขึ้นส่งผลให้เกิดความไม่สมดุลย์ขึ้นที่ผิวสัมผัสของของไหลทั้งสองจนกระทั่งสามารถเอาซนะแรงเนื่องจากแรงใน้มถ่วง รูปแบบของการไหลจะเปลี่ยนไปจากการไหลสวนกันเป็นการไหลตามกัน Taitel and Dukler[16] แนะนำให้ใช้ข้อจำกัดสำหรับกรณี unstable interface ซึ่งคลื่นจะยังคงมีขนาดใหญ่ขึ้นและของเหลวจะถูกกวาดไปในทิศทางของการไหลของก๊าซในรูปของ slug หรือ waves ไว้ดังนี้

$$U_G = \left(1 - \frac{h_L}{D}\right) \left[ \frac{(\rho_L - \rho_G)g\cos\beta A_G}{\rho_G dA_L / dh_L} \right]^{1/2}$$
(9)

โดยที่เราสามารถหา dA, / dh, ได้จาก

$$dA_L / dh_L = \sqrt{1 - (2h_L - 1)^2}$$
 (10)

สมการทั้งหมดจะถูกนำมาประกอบกันเป็นแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์ เพื่อทำนายการจำกัด ในการไหลสวนกัน flow chart ของการคำนวณแสดงได้ดังรูปที่ 2

# ผลจากแบบจำลอง

สำหรับแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์ที่สร้างขึ้นโดยใช้ อากาศแทนก๊าซ และน้ำแทน ของเหลวที่อุณหภูมิเฉลี่ย 30 ในท่อขนาดเส้นผ่านศูนย์กลาง 0.051 เมตร ที่มุมเอียงของท่อ ตั้งแต่ 30 8 จากแนวนอน แสดงให้เห็นดังรูปที่ 3 ถึง 8 โดยแสดงผลของสภาวะในการ เกิดCCFL ในเทอมของความเร็วเทียมของน้ำ ( $U_{\rm LS}$ ) และความเร็วเทียมของอากาศ ( $U_{\rm GS}$ ) ซึ่งเป็นเทอมที่นิยมใช้กันในสาขาวิซานี้และสามารถหาได้โดยการนำอัตราไหลของของไหลแต่ละ ชนิดหารด้วยพื้นที่หน้าตัดของท่อ

เมื่อพิจารณาผลลัพธ์ที่ได้ (รูปที่ 3 ถึง 8) พบว่าแนวโน้มการเกิดCCFL จะเป็นไปในทาง เดียวกัน คือที่ความเร็วของอากาศต่ำความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL จะสูง และที่ความเร็วของอากาศ สูงความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL จะต่ำ เมื่อแบ่งการพิจารณาออกเป็นสองช่วงคือ ที่มุมเอียงของท่อ ปานกลาง 30°-60° จากแนวนอน ( รูปที่ 3 ถึง 6 ) และที่มุมเอียงของท่อสูง 70°-80° จากแนวนอน ( รูปที่ 7 ถึง 8 ) พบว่าในช่วงแรกที่ความเร็วของอากาศคงที่ พบว่าความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL จะ สูงขึ้นเมื่อมุมเอียงของท่อเพิ่มมากขึ้น ในช่วงที่สองที่มุมเอียงของท่อ 70° ( รูปที่ 7 ) ที่ความเร็ว ของอากาศคงที่ในช่วงต่ำถึงปานกลางความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL จะต่ำกว่าที่มุมเอียง 80° ( รูปที่ 8 ) และที่ความเร็วของอากาศคงที่ในช่วงปานกลางถึงสูงความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL เจียง 80° เมื่อเปรียบเทียบผลระหว่างช่วงแรกและช่วงที่สอง พบว่าที่ความเร็วของอากาศคงที่ใน ช่วงต่ำถึงปานกลางความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL ในช่วงแรกจะต่ำกว่าในช่วงที่สอง และที่ความเร็ว ของอากาศคงที่ในช่วงปานกลางถึงสูงความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL ในช่วงแรกจะสูงกว่าในช่วงที่สอง 🧳 ผลกระทบของมุมเอียงในช่วงแรกนั้นมุมเอียงที่เปลี่ยนแปลงไป จะมีผลต่อการเกิดCCFL ไม่มาก นัก แต่เมื่อท่อมีมุมเจียงใกล้แนวดิ่งมากขึ้น ผลกระทบของมุมเจียงที่เปลี่ยนแปลงจะมีผลต่อการ เกิดCCFL มากขึ้น สาเหตุที่เป็นเช่นนี้เนื่องจากมุมเอียงของท่อที่เปลี่ยนแปลงไปจะมีผลต่อค่า พารามิเตอร์ ในสมการที่ (3) และ (10) และเมื่อมุมเอียงของท่อใกล้แนวดิ่งมากรูปแบบของการ ใหลจะเปลี่ยนจากการใหลแบบแยกขั้นเป็นการไหลแบบวงแหวนทำให้พื้นที่ผิวสัมผัสระหว่างของ ใหลทั้งสองมากขึ้น อย่างไรก็ตามการเปลี่ยนรูปแบบของการไหลนั้นจะขึ้นกับความเร็วของของ ไหลทั้งสองด้วย

สรูป

การศึกษาการเกิดCCFL จากแบบจำลองทางวิทยาศาสตร์ที่สร้างขึ้นมาสามารถใช้ ทำายปรากฏการณ์ที่เกิดขึ้นโดยปราศจากการทดลอง ผลจากแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์พบว่า

1.การเกิดCCFL จะมีแนวโน้มไปในทางเดียวกัน คือในช่วงความเร็วของอากาศต่ำ ความเร็วของน้ำที่ccFL จะสูง และในช่วงความเร็วของอากาศสูงความเร็วของน้ำที่ccFL จะต่ำ

2.ที่มุมเอียงของท่อปานกลาง 30° 60° จากแนวนอน เมื่อพิจารณาที่ความเร็วของอากาศ คงที่ พบว่าความเร็วของน้ำจะสูงขึ้น เมื่อมุมเอียงของท่อเพิ่มมากขึ้น

3.ที่มุมเอียงของท่อสูง 70-<sup>8</sup>80° จากแนวนอน เมื่อพิจารณา ที่ความเร็วของอากาศคงที่ พบว่าในช่วงที่ความเร็วของอากาศต่ำท่อที่มีมุมเอียง 70° จะมีความเร็วของที่CCFL ต่ำกว่าท่อที่มี มุมเอียง 80° และในช่วงที่ความเร็วของอากาศสูงท่อที่มีมุมเอียง 70° จะมีความเร็วของน้ำที่ CCFL สูงกว่าท่อที่มีมุมเอียง 80°

4.เมื่อเปรียบเทียบผลระหว่างท่อที่มีมุมเอียงปานกลาง และท่อที่มีมุมเอียงสูงเมื่อ พิจารณาที่ความเร็วของอากาศคงที่พบว่า ในช่วงที่ความเร็วของอากาศต่ำ ความเร็วของน้ำที่ CCFL ของท่อที่มีมุมเอียงปานกลางจะต่ำกว่าท่อที่มีมุมเอียงสูง และในช่วงที่ความเร็วของอากาศ สูงความเร็วของน้ำที่CCFL ของท่อที่ มีมุมเอียงปานกลาง จะสูงกว่าท่อที่มีมุมเอียงสูง

สาเหตุที่เป็นเช่นนี้ เนื่องจากมุมเอียงของท่อที่เปลี่ยนไป นั้นจะทำให้พื้นที่ผิวสัมผัส ระหว่างของไหลทั้งสองเปลี่ยนแปลงตามไปด้วย ดังสมการที่ (3) และสมการที่ (10)

ที่มุมเอียงของท่อปานกลางผลกระทบของมุมเอียงที่เปลี่ยนแปลงไป จะไม่แตกต่างกัน มากนัก แต่จะมีผลกระทบมากขึ้นเมื่อมุมเอียงของท่อเข้าใกล้แนวคิ่งมากขึ้น และเพื่อให้มั่นใจใน การจำลองแบบจำลองทางคณิตศาสตร์ที่พัฒนาขึ้นมาจำแป็นต้องมีผลลัพธ์จากการทดลองมา ยืนยันผล ซึ่งจะได้นำเสนอในโอกาสต่อไป

# รายการสัญญลักษณ์

 $A = \sqrt[3]{u}$  ที่หน้าตัดของท่อ,  $u^2$ 

A, = พื้นที่หน้าตัดของของเหลว, ม<sup>2</sup>

A<sub>G</sub> = พื้นที่หน้าตัดของก๊าซ, ม<sup>\*</sup>

a = คำคงที่สำหรับสมการที่(8)

b = ค่าคงที่สำหรับสมการที่(8)

C = คำคงที่ของสัดส่วนแรงเสียดทานระหว่างผิวสัมผัส

d = เส้นผ่านศูนย์กลางท่อ, ม

D<sub>L</sub> = เส้นผ่านศูนย์กลางไฮดรอลิกของของเหลว, ม

D<sub>G</sub> = เส้นผ่านศูนย์กลางไฮดรอลิกของก๊าซ, ม

 $f_{
m L} =$  แฟคเตอร์แรงเสียดทานระหว่างผิวสัมผัสของของเหลวและผิวท่อ

 $f_{
m G}$  = แฟคเตอร์แรงเสียดทานระหว่างผิวสัมผัสของของก๊าซและผิวท่อ

 $f_{i}$  = แฟคเตอร์แรงเสียดทานระหว่างผิวสัมผัสของของเหลวและก๊าซ

g = ความเร่งเนื่องจากแรงใน้มถ่วงของโลก, ม/วินาที<sup>2</sup>

h, = ระดับของของเหลวภายในท่อ ม

m = ค่าคงที่ในสมการของแรงเสียดทานระหว่างผิวสัมผัส

ก = ค่าคงที่ในสมการของแรงเสียดทานระหว่างผิวสัมผัส

P = ความดัน นิวตัน/ม<sup>2</sup>

 $S_L$  =, Perimeter ระหว่างของเหลวและผิวท่อ, ม

 $S_{G}$  = Perimeter ระหว่างของก๊าซและผิวท่อ, ม

S; = Perimeter ระหว่างของเหลวและก๊าช, ม

U, = ความเร็วเฉลี่ยของของเหลว, ม/วินาที

U<sub>c</sub> = ความเร็วเฉลี่ยของก๊าซ, ม/วินาที

 $U_{ls} =$  ความเร็วเทียมของของเหลว, ม/วินาที

 $U_{\rm GS} = -$ ความเร็วเทียมของก๊าซ, ม/วินาที

α = ค่าคงที่ในสมการที่(8)

β = มุมเจียงของส่วนทดสอบ, องศา

 $V_{L} = \rho$ วามหนืดจลน์ศาสตร์ของของเหลว, ม $^{2}$ /วินาที

 $V_G =$ ความหนึดจลน์ศาสตร์ของก๊าซ, ม $^2/$ วินาที

 $\rho_{\rm L} =$ ความหนาแน่นของของเหลว, ก.ก./ม $^{3}$ 

 $\rho_{\rm G} = \rho$ ามหนาแน่นของก๊าซ, ก.ก./ม<sup>2</sup>

 $\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle L}$  = แรงเฉือนระหว่างของเหลวและผิวท่อ, นิวตัน/ม $^2$ 

 $au_{_{\!G}}$  = แรงเจือนระหว่างก๊าซและผิวท่อ, นิวตัน/ม $^2$ 

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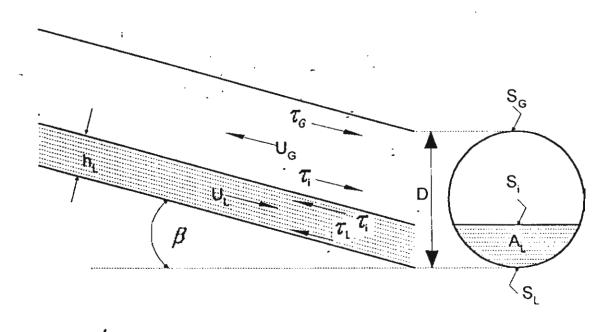
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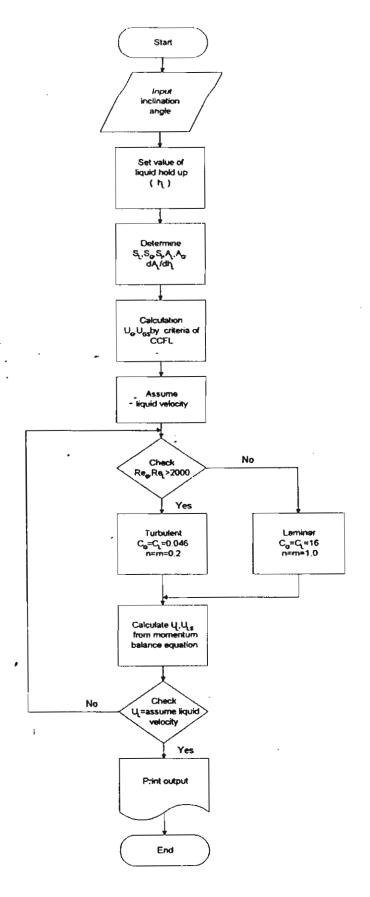
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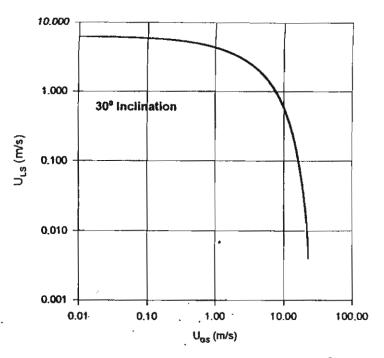
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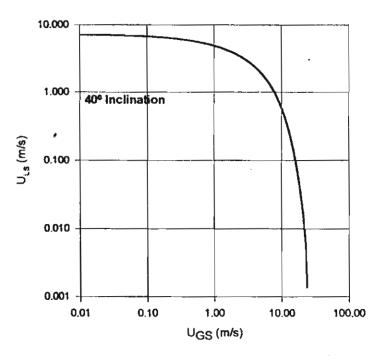
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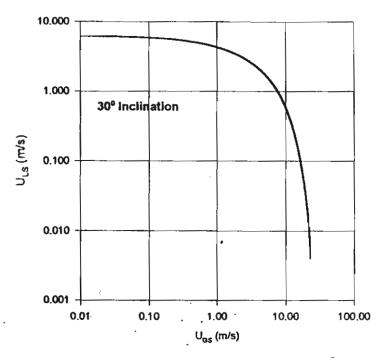
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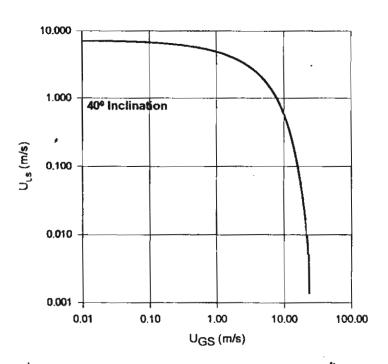
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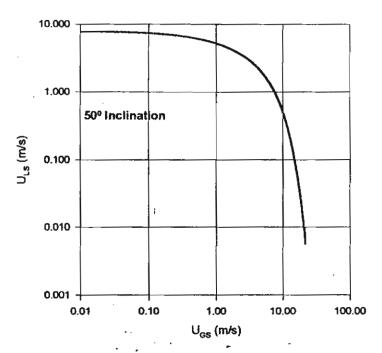
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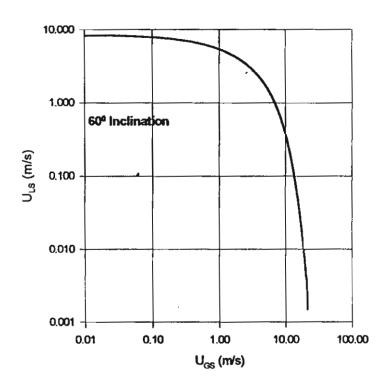
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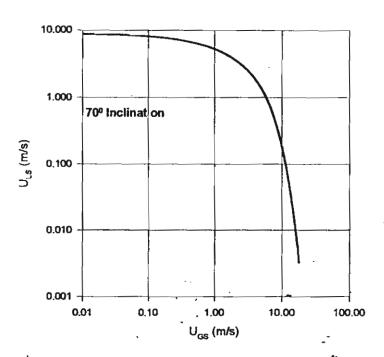
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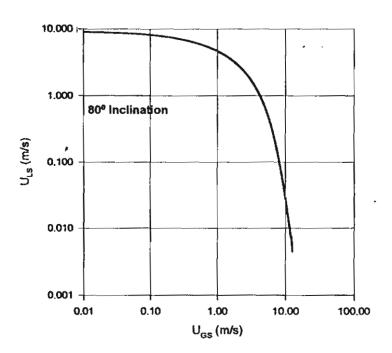
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รูปที่ 6 แสดงจุดจำกัดในการใหลสวนกันของอากาศและน้ำในท่อขนาด d = 0.051 เมตร ที่มุมเอียง 60 องศา



รูปที่ 7 แสดงจุดจำกัดในการใหลสวนกันของอากาศและน้ำในท่อขนาด d = 0.051 เมตร ที่มุมเอียง 70 องศา



รูปที่ 8 แสดงจุดจำกัดในการใหลสวนกันของอากาศและน้ำในท่อขนาด d = 0.051 เมตร ที่มุมเอียง 80 องศา

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# Method for Prediction of Pressure Drop and Liquid Hold-Up in Horizontal Stratified Two-Phase Flow in Pipes

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## Abstract

Experimental apparatus was designed and constructed to obtain cocurrent air-water two phase flow in horizontal pipes. The test section, 10 m long, with an inside diameter 54 mm was made of transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The experiments were carried out under various air and water flow rates in the regime of smooth and wavy stratified flows. Stainless ring electrodes were mounted flush in the tube wall for measuring the liquid hold-up which is defined as the ratio of the cross-sectional area filled with liquid to the total crossectional area of the pipe. Calculation method for predicting the pressure drop and liquid hold-up was developed by using the Taitel and Dukler momentum balance between both phase. The ratio of interfacial friction factor and superficial gas-wall friction factor, (f/f<sub>SG</sub>) was assumed to be constant. With this technique any mathematical model of interfacial friction factor is not necessary. A ratio of f/f<sub>SG</sub>, which corresponds with the flow conditions, (laminar or turbulent) were presented.

# Introduction

Analytical models have been developed estimation of pressure drop in separated flow. Lockhart and Martinelli (1949) have developed a procedure for calculating the frictional pressure drop for adiabatic two-phase flow using their data on the horizontal flow of air and water and various other liquids at atmospheric pressure. The resulting correlations have been applied to all regions of two-phase flow both by the originators and by several other investigators, although the derivation is based on certain limiting assumptions. For some years, a team at CISE, Milan, Italy has been developing correlations for frictional pressure drop. Lombardi and Pedrochi (1972) developed a general pressure drop correlation using CISE data. They employed consistent SI units for their correlations. Like Lockhart and Martinelli's pressure drop correlation, this correlation does not consider the effect of mass velocity. A wide variety of dimensionless groups have been used for correlating two-phase pressure drop. Another set of groups have been suggested by Kasturi They based their analysis on a and Stepanek (1972). separated flow model taking into account interactive effects by allowing the gas and liquid Reynolds numbers to affect respectively the liquid and gas friction factors. The original forms of the Martinelli model are known to be inaccurate and to give poor representation of the effects of system parameters, particularly of mass velocity. Chisholm (1978) has developed the Martinelli models in such a way that the original Martinelli curves for the various flow regimes can be fitted quite well be selecting a fixed value of a parameter for each flow regime. Similar modifications have been made by Baker (1954) and by Chenoweth and Martin (1955). McMillan (1964) has also modified the Martinelli model by introducing a dimensionless parameter instead of using 0.046 for the calculation of the friction factor. Johannessen (1972) has developed a theoretical solution of the original Lockhart and Martinelli flow model for calculating two-phase pressure drop and holdup in the stratified and wavy flow region. He has shown that his theoretical solutions of pressure drop and holdup agree much better than those of Lockhart and Martinelli in the separated flow region. The phaseinteraction models have been developed by Chawla (1972). Bandel and Schlunder (1974), Levy (1964), and Agrawal et al.(1973) independently. Although their physical models are believed to describe the processes involved, the accuracy of some of these pressure drop correlations, such as Chawla's and Levy's correlation is questionable.

The semi-empirical methods for two-phase flow pressure drop calculation have been proposed by numerous investigators. Wallis (1969) correlation which has been improved further by Hewitt and Hall-Taylor (1970) can be used in the annular flow region. Hughmark (1965) developed a semi-empirical pressure drop correlation independently which is applicable in slug flow region.

Baroczy (1966) proposed a general correlation for two-phase pressure drop. Although the correlation is

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applicable to only a limited range of mass velocity, it predicts two-phase pressure drop fairly well within the range of mass velocity. He correlated the two-phase multiplier with a property index for various values of quality and mass velocity. Kadambi (1980) proposed an analytical procedure to determine the pressure drop and void fraction in two-phase stratified flow between parallel plates. Hart et al. (1989) used the interfacial friction factor of Eck (1973) to develop an ARS model for predicting the low values of the liquid holdup and values of the frictional pressure gradient.

Most stratified flow models were based on an iterative solution of the two phase momentum balance, but differed in the model of the interfacial shear stress. To solve this problem, Taitel and Dukler (1976) made the assumption that the interface was smooth and interfacial friction factor equal to the gas-wall friction factor and the gas interfacial shear stress was evaluated with the same equation as the gas wall shear stress. In their another paper (Taitel and Dukler (1976)), they demonstrated that the hold up and the dimensionless pressure drop for stratified flow are unique functions of X under the assumption that  $f_0/f_i \cong \text{constant}$ . Kawaji (1987) predicted holdup successfully by substituting the ratio of the gas-wall friction factor and the gas interfacial shear stress into the Taitel and Dukler momentum balance. Spedding and Hand (1990) predicted the pressure loss and liquid holdup by assuming the ratio of the interfacial friction factor and gaswall friction factor as a constant. The value of the constant depended on whether the phases were in turbulent or laminar flow. Their method will be modified for this study.

# **Experimental Apparatus and Method**

A schematic diagram of the test facility is given in Fig 1. In the experimental investigations air and water were used as the working fluids. The main components of the system consisted of the test section, air supply, water supply, instrumentation, and data acquisition system.

The horizontal test section, with an inside diameter of 54 mm and length of 10 m was made of transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The connections of the piping system were designed such that parts could be changed very easily. Water was pumped from the storage tank through the rotameter to the water inlet section at the bottom of the pipe. Air was supplied to the test section by a suction-type blower. The air flow could be controlled by a valve at the outlet of the blower. Many small rods were used as guide vanes at the air inlet section to maintain a uniform flow. Both the air and water streams were brought together in a mixer and then passed through the test section cocurrently. The inlet flow rate of air was measured by means of a round-type orifice and that of water was measured by two sets of rotameters within a range of 0-4.8 m<sup>3</sup>/h. The temperature of air and water were measured by thermocouples (± 0.5%)The two phase pressure drop between the test section was registered by a capacitive pressure transducer within the range of 0-1000 Pa ( ± 5%). Stainless ring electrodes were mounted flush in the tube wall for measuring the liquid hold up, which was defined as the ratio of the cross-sectional area

filled with liquid to the total crossectional area of the pipe. The electrical conductivity of the water between the electrodes constituted an electrical resistance that could be registered, via a Wheatstone bridge, by a carrier frequency amplifier. The measured electrical resistance was a function of the electrode distance, the electrode width, and the level of the liquid between electrodes. The uncertainty in the measured liquid hold up was estimated to be  $\pm$  2 %. All signals of the measuring transducers were registered by a data acquisition system with a frequency of 20 Hz, and finally they were averaged over the time elaped.

Experiments were conducted with various flow rates of air and water at ambient condition. Average temperature in laboratory is about 30°C. In the experiments the air flow rate was increased by small increments while the water flow rate was kept constant at preselected value. After each change in inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates were recorded. The liquid hold-up were registered through the transducers and transferred to the data acquisition system. The flow phenomena were detected by visual observation and sometime by camera.

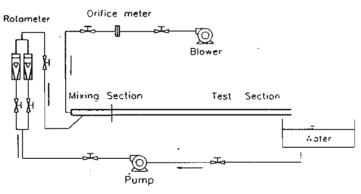


Figure 1 Schematic diagram of experimental apparatus

# Theory

Consider a equilibrium horizontal stratified flow as shown in Fig. 2. A momentum balance on each phase yields:

$$-A_{L}\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right) - \tau_{WL}S_{L} + \tau_{i}S_{i} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$-A_{G}\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right) - \tau_{WG}S_{G} - \tau_{i}S_{i} = 0$$
 (2)

Equating pressure drop in the two phases and assuming that the hydraulic gradient in the liquid is negligible, gives the following results

$$\tau_{WG} \frac{S_G}{A_G} - \tau_{WL} \frac{S_L}{A_L} + \tau_i S_i \left( \frac{1}{A_L} + \frac{1}{A_G} \right) = 0$$
 (3)

The shear stresses are evaluated in a conventional manner

$$\tau_{WL} = f_L \frac{\rho_L u_L^2}{2} \tag{4}$$

$$\tau_{WG} = f_G \frac{\rho_G u_G^2}{2} \tag{5}$$

$$\tau_i = f_i \frac{\rho_G (u_G - u_L)^2}{2}$$
 (6)

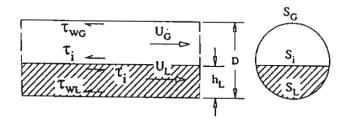


Figure 2 Stratified cocurrent flow

Normally for equilibrium flow  $u_G \ge u_L$  such that  $u_L$  in eq.(6) can be neglected. A widely used method for the correlation of the liquid and gas friction factors is in the form of Blasius equation:

$$f_{L} = C_{L} \left( \frac{D_{L} u_{L}}{v_{L}} \right)^{-n} \tag{7}$$

$$f_G = C_G \left( \frac{D_G u_G}{v_G} \right)^{-m}$$
 (8)

where  $D_L$  and  $D_G$  are the hydraulic diameter evaluated in the manner as suggested by Agrawal et al.(1973). The liquid is visualized as if it was flowing in an open channel.

$$D_{L} = \frac{4A_{L}}{S_{I}} \tag{9}$$

The gas is visualized as flowing in a closed duct and thus

$$D_G = \frac{4A_G}{S_G + S_i} \tag{10}$$

In this work the following coefficients are utilized:  $C_0 = C_L = 0.046$ , m = n = 0.20 for the turbulent flow and  $C_0 = C_L = 16$ , m = n = 1.0 for the laminar flow. Laminar flow is also assumed for superficial Reynold number < 2000. Substituting  $t_{MR}$   $t_{MR}$  t

Substituting  $\tau_{WL}$ ,  $\tau_{WQ}$ ,  $\tau_i$  from Eq.(4), Eq.(5) and Eq.(6) into Eq.(3)

$$\begin{split} \frac{f_{G}\rho_{G}u_{G}^{2}S_{G}}{2A_{G}} &- \frac{f_{L}\rho_{L}u_{L}^{2}S_{L}}{2A_{L}} \\ &+ \frac{f_{i}\rho_{G}u_{G}^{2}S_{i}}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{A_{L}} + \frac{1}{A_{G}} \right] = 0 \end{split} \tag{11}$$

for the single phase flow

$$\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right)_{SG} = \frac{2f_{SG}\rho_G u_{SG}^2}{D} \tag{12}$$

To non-dimensionalize, Eq.(11) is divided by  $\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right)_{SO}$ 

which 
$$f_{sG} = C_G \left( \frac{Du_{sG}}{v_G} \right)^{-m}$$

$$\frac{f_{G}u_{G}^{2}S_{G}D}{4f_{SG}A_{G}u_{SG}^{2}} - \frac{f_{L}\rho_{L}u_{L}^{2}S_{L}D}{4f_{SG}\rho_{G}A_{L}u_{SG}^{2}} + \frac{f_{i}\rho_{G}u_{G}^{2}S_{i}D}{4f_{SG}\rho_{G}u_{SG}^{2}} \left[\frac{1}{A_{L}} + \frac{1}{A_{G}}\right] = 0$$
(13)

or in dimensionless form

$$(\widetilde{u}_{G})^{2} (\widetilde{D}_{G} \widetilde{u}_{G})^{-m} \frac{\widetilde{S}_{G}}{\widetilde{\Lambda}_{G}} - \left[ (\widetilde{u}_{L})^{2} (\widetilde{D}_{L} \widetilde{u}_{L})^{-n} \frac{\widetilde{S}_{L}}{\widetilde{\Lambda}_{L}} \right] X^{2} + \frac{f_{i}}{f_{SG}} (\widetilde{u}_{G})^{2} \left[ \frac{\widetilde{S}_{i}}{\widetilde{\Lambda}_{L}} + \frac{\widetilde{S}_{i}}{\widetilde{\Lambda}_{G}} \right] = 0$$
(14)

which  $X^2 = (dP/dx)_{SL}/(dP/dx)_{SG}$  is the ratio of the frictional pressure gradient of the liquid to that of the gas when each phase flows along in the pipe.

$$X^{2} = \frac{\frac{4C_{L}}{D} \left(\frac{u_{SL}D}{v_{L}}\right)^{-n} \frac{\rho_{L}(u_{SL})^{2}}{2}}{\frac{4C_{G}}{D} \left(\frac{u_{SG}D}{v_{G}}\right)^{-m} \frac{\rho_{G}(u_{SG})^{2}}{2}}$$
(15)

X is recognized as the parameter introduced by Lockhart and Martinelli (1949) and can be calculated unambiguously with the knowledge of the flow rate, fluid properties and tube diameter. Liquid hold up can be calculated from  $h_L/D$  which is in form of  $\widetilde{A}_G$ ,  $\widetilde{A}_L$ .

All dimensionless variables with the superscript can be seen from

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{A} &= \pi/4, \quad \widetilde{A}_L = A_L/D^2, \quad \widetilde{S}_L = S_L/D \\ \widetilde{A}_G &= A_G/D^2, \quad \widetilde{S}_G = S_G/D \ , \quad \widetilde{S}_i = S_i/D \\ \widetilde{D}_L &= D_L/D, \quad \widetilde{D}_G = D_G/D, \quad \widetilde{h}_L = h_L/D \\ \widetilde{S}_L &= \pi - \cos^{-1}(2\widetilde{h}_L - l), \\ \widetilde{S}_G &= \cos^{-1}(2\widetilde{h}_L - l), \\ \widetilde{S}_i &= \sqrt{1 - (2\widetilde{h}_L - l)^2}, \quad \widetilde{U}_G = \frac{\widetilde{A}}{\widetilde{A}_G}, \quad \widetilde{U}_L = \frac{\widetilde{A}}{\widetilde{A}_L} \\ \widetilde{A}_L &= 0.25 \bigg[ \pi - \cos^{-1}(2\widetilde{h}_L - l) + (2\widetilde{h}_L - l)\sqrt{1 - (2\widetilde{h}_L - l)^2} \bigg] \\ \widetilde{A}_G &= 0.25 \bigg[ \cos^{-1}(2\widetilde{h}_L - l) - (2\widetilde{h}_L - l)\sqrt{1 - (2\widetilde{h}_L - l)^2} \bigg] \end{split}$$

In order to solve Eq.(14) for liquid hold up, gas hold up and pressure drop, an iterative computer program is required. A flow chart of this program is shown in Fig 3.

# Results and Discussion

Visual observation shows that different flow patterns may occur with gas-liquid cocurrent flow in horizontal pipes. In accordance with results obtained from this experiment, the following flow patterns were obtained:

- a) Stratified flow: The water flows in the lower part of the pipe and the air over it with a smooth interface between the two phases.
- b) Two-dimensional wavy flow: Similar to stratified flow except for a wavy interface, due to a velocity difference between the two phases and two-dimensional steady waves travel with a relatively regular pitch.
- c) Three-dimensional wavy flow: At a higher air flow rate, the water surface is disturbed and three-dimensional waves occur, which have small irregular ripples on the fundamental waves.
- d) Semi-slug flow: The semi-slug is defined as a highly agitated long wave which contains many bubbles. Its upstream and downstream portions are similar to the wavy flow.
- e) Slug flow: Splashes or slugs of water occasionally pass through the pipe with a higher velocity than the bulk of the water. The tail of water slug is relatively smooth and sometimes contains some small bubbles. The upstream portion of the water slug is similar to the wavy flow, and the downstream portion to the stratified flow or wavy flow.
- f) Plug flow: Air moves along the upperside of the pipe. This flow pattern occurs at a relatively low air flow rate. The interface is smooth and no bubbles are contained in a water plug.
- g) Violent wavy flow: The interface is violently disturbed by the air stream. This flow pattern occurs at a relatively high air flow rate.

The typical photographs of flow patterns are shown in Figure 4.

The focus of the study was on the stratified and wavy flow. Figures 5 and 6 shows the relation between the liquid holdup,  $\epsilon_L$  against the Lockhart-Martinelli parameter, X for a laminar liquid-turbulent gas flow in the 0.054 m. diameter

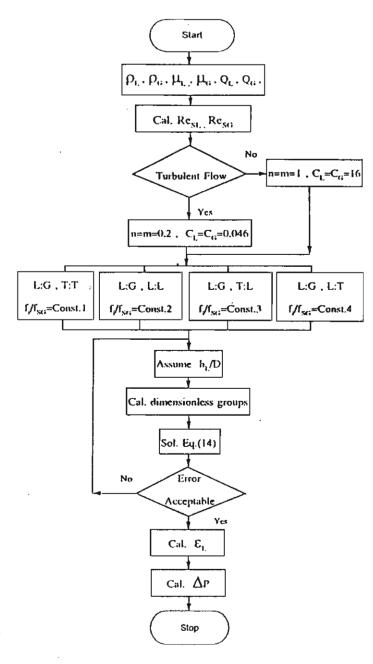


Figure 3 Flow chart of liquid hold-up and pressure drop calculation

pipe and  $Q_L = 1.67 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $6.67 \times 10^{-5}$  m³/s respectively. The values  $C_G = C_L = 0.046$ , n = m = 0.2 for turbulent flow and  $C_G = C_L = 16$ , n = m = 1.0 for laminar flow are used. The figures show a comparison of the experimental data with the present model which the ratio,  $f/f_{SG}$  are assumed. It is found that an agreement of the present model with the experimental data is obtained by using  $f/f_{SG} = 0.30 - 1.0$ . Figures 7 and 8 show also the relation between  $\varepsilon_L$  against X for a turbulent liquid turbulent gas flow for  $Q_L = 8.3 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $1.67 \times 10^{-4}$  m³/s respectively. They show that the air-water liquid holdup can be accurately predicted by assuming  $f/f_{SG} = 2.0 - 4.0$ . The data

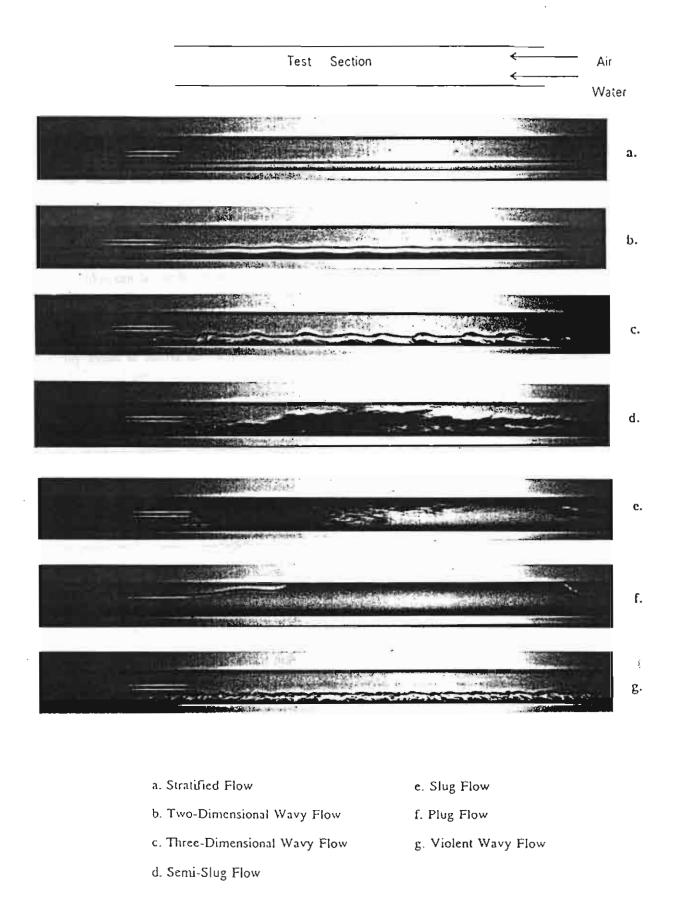


Figure 4. Photographs of flow patterns

shows that the assumption of  $f/f_{SO} = 1.0$  overpredicted liquid holdup for the stratified flows. The results correspond to those from Spedding et.al. (1990) who tested the model against wavy and stratified flow data from 93.5 and 45.5 mm i.d. pipes. The data can be accurately predicted with  $f/f_{SO} = 0.6$  and  $f/f_{SO} = 4$  for laminar liquid-turbulent gas flow and turbulent liquid-turbulent gas flow respectively. Their predicted  $f/f_{SO}$  are in the recommended interval in this work. Two-phase pressure drop can be determined by substituting  $h_I/D$  into Eq. (1) or (2). In this work, the situations when gas flow was laminar, was not considered.

# Conclusion

This paper presents new data to predict the liquid holdup and pressure drop in horizontal cocurrent stratified flow in a circular pipe. It has been demonstrated that the pressure drop and the liquid holdup can be predicted by using Taitel and Dukler momentum balance between both phase. The ratio of the friction factor of the gas at the interface and the gas at the pipe wall,  $f_i$  / $f_{SO}$  is assumed to be constant. The constant depends on the phase being either turbulent or laminar. With this method any model of interfacial friction factor is not necessary. For turbulent liquid-turbulent gas flows, the former assumption that  $f_i = f_{SO}$  is shown to give a result which does not agree with the experimental data.

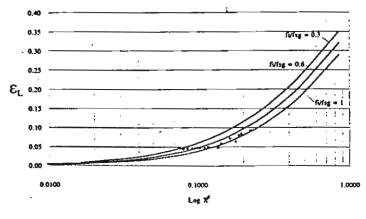


Figure 5. Experimental data obtained from a water rate = 1.667x10<sup>-5</sup> m<sup>3</sup>/s
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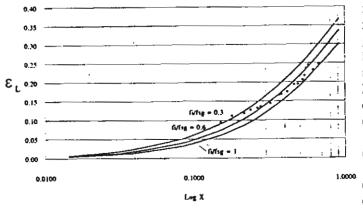


Figure 6. Experimental data obtained from a water rate = 6.67x10<sup>-5</sup> m<sup>3</sup>/s Liquid - Laminar and Gas - Turbulent

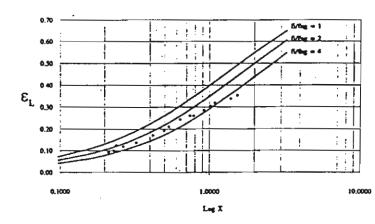


Figure 7. Experimental data obtained from a water rate = 8.33 at 0<sup>-9</sup> m<sup>3</sup>/s

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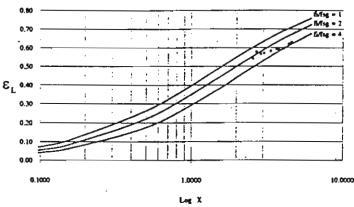


Figure 8. Experimental data obtained from a water rate = L67x10<sup>-8</sup> m<sup>3</sup>/s
Liquid - Turbulent and Gas - Turbulent

# Nomenclature

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Α	Crossectional area of pipe, m <sup>2</sup>
$A_G, A_L$	Crossectional area of gas and liquid
	phase, m <sup>2</sup>
$C_0$ , $C_L$	Constant in Eq.(7) and (8)
D	Pipe diameter,m
$D_0$ , $D_L$	Hydraulic diameter of gas and liquid
	phase, m
$f_{G}, f_{L}$	Gas-wall and liquid-wall friction factor
$f_i$	Interfacial friction factor
$f_{SG}$	Superficial gas-wall friction factor
g	Gravitational acceleration, m/s <sup>2</sup>
h	Liquid height, m
n,m	Constant in Eq.(7) and (8)
P	Pressure, N/m <sup>2</sup>
dP/dx	Two phase pressure gradient, N/m <sup>3</sup>
(dP/dx) <sub>SG</sub>	Pressure gradient of single gas phase. N/m <sup>3</sup>
(dP/dx) <sub>SL</sub>	Pressure gradient of single liquid phase. N/m <sup>3</sup>
$Q_G$	Volume flow rate of gas, m <sup>3</sup> /s
$Q_L$	Volume flow rate of liquid, m³/s
$Rc_G$	Gas phase Reynolds number
$Re_L$	Liquid phase Reynolds number

$Rc_{SG}$	Superficial gas phase Reynolds number
Re <sub>SL</sub>	Superficial liquid phase Reynolds
	number
$S_G$	Gas phase perimeter, m
$S_L$	Liquid phase perimeter,m
S,	Interfacial width,m
$U_G$	Average velocity of gas, m/s
$U_{\rm L}$	Average velocity of liquid, m/s
$U_{SG}$	Superficial velocity of gas, m/s
$U_{SL}$	Superficial velocity of liquid, m/s
X	Lockhart-Martinelli parameter

# **Greek Symbols**

ρ	Density, kg/m	
υ	Kinematic viscosity, n	1 <sup>2</sup> /s
τ .	Shear Stress, N/m <sup>2</sup>	
3	Hold up	

# Subscripts

G	Gas phase
L	Liquid phase .
i	Interface
WL	Liquid-wall
WG	Gas-wall
SG	Superficial gas
SL	Superficial liquid

# Superscripts

dimensionless term

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# ON THE STRUCTURE OF FREE SURFACE FLOW OVER COMPLEX TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURES

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#### ABSTRACT

This paper concerns analysis of steady flow in channels having irregularities of an idealized periodic form. An analytic model of non-separating potential flow above an impermeable wavy bed is used to investigate the free surface elevation and the velocity field. It is shown that the effect of bottom undulations depends on their steepness. The generalization of results based on linear theory is achieved by the use of Fourier series, resulting in the examination of a more complex bottom forms. The results of experiments in the open channel flume regarding the development of the mean and fluctuating flow field are analyzed in detail in the case of a sinusoidal bottom of different steepness, 'sawtooth bed' under various current conditions.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION.

The dynamics of the water-sediment interface have received much attention in recent years, especially mechanisms governing the interaction between fluid flow and bottom materials. The motion of a given bed material in a given channel depends entirely on the mechanical structure of the flow which generates this sediment motion. On the other hand, observations showed that the motion of the sediment is accompanied by certain features of its own, such as the wavelike deformation of the bottom surface and the diffusion of solid particles into the fluid. Bedforms play a significant role in the makeup of resistance to flow in alluvial channels, and many engineering problems associated with coastal environment are often determined by sediment transport due to current and wave

action. An understanding of the generation and properties of bed forms can be expected from detailed analysis of the kinematics and dynamics of the interaction between flow and the bed.

The nature of the flow over a movable sediment bed has been subject of a variety of theoretical and experimental investigations. It is worth noting works of Kennedy (1963,1969), Reynolds (1965), Davies (1979,1983), Longuet-Higgins (1981), Van Rijn et al (1993), Mel'nikova (1996) and others.

The Kennedy-Reynolds model predicts bed forms, their characteristics, and their stability for a free surface flow over an erodible bed. In the case of zero lags between the local sediment transport and the local velocity of fluid the dominant wavelength of the bed two-dimensional form can be determined from

$$F^2 = U^2/(gh) = (2 + kh \tanh kh)/((kh)^2 + 3 kh \tanh kh)$$
 (1)

where F is the Froude number, U is the velocity of uniform flow, g is the acceleration due to gravity, k is the wavenumber, h is the fluid depth. Experiments showed that for certain intervals of the Froude number, the surface of a mobile bed had periodic irregularities - sandwaves. Note that the Kennedy-Reynolds' model is not totally realistic because it ignores the separation zone associated with bed forms, and no generally accepted theory of the origin of sand waves has been produced. Fluid flowing over a bottom undulation separates somewhere on the downstream side of the crest, reattaching on the upstream face of the next crest. This would cause a pressure asymmetry with respect to the crest resulting in bedform growth.

The analysis of real turbulent flows over erodible beds requires the experimental results and theoretical models of single-phase turbulent flows over impermeable bottom structures. This approach closely approximates to the real situation since the celerity of the bedforms' movement is small compared to the fluid velocity.

Davies (1979,1983) derived the model describing uniform and wave-induced flows over impermeable rippled surface which were simulated by superimposing irrotational flow solutions: uniform flow or oscillations in the horizontal direction is perturbed by introducing a repeated pattern of discrete singularities, such that one of the streamlines of the resulting motion is distorted into desired ripple shape.

Having considered different sediments forms on the beds of alluvial channels, Mercer and Haque (1973) developed the model based on potential flow over a linearized boundary composed of a periodic series of modified wedges and eddy shear lines. In their experiments on flow over undulated Styrofoam beds velocity measurements made with a static-pitot tube showed a positive velocity gradient along the wedge.

Ranasoma and Sleath (1994) have described LDAmeasurements of the fluid velocities in a steady-flow recirculating flume with a section of the bed that could be oscillated at right angles to the steady flow. The combined flow time-mean velocity profiles showed reasonable agreement with an eddy viscosity model at large distances from the bed, but not-as-good agreement very close to the bed. It was suggested that the discrepancies between theory and experiment in the immediate vicinity of the bed are due to the large scale momentum exchanges caused by vortex formation.

Accurate kinematics in the fluid domain are needed for the determination of physically realistic models for the estimation of shear stresses on the bed. At the moment there is no universally accepted method for the accurate calculation of flow-sediment interaction and sediment transport. As a consequence, all theories have to be calibrated and tested against measurements. Unfortunately, very few accurate flow kinematics measurements exist in the crest-to-trough region of bottom undulations.

The considerations in this paper are confined to the study of uniform or quasi-uniform flows only which can be treated as two-dimensional. The experiments were carried out in a flume with an undulated bottom using a laser Doppler anemometer (LDA) to obtain velocity profiles. Research concentrated on the bottom crest and trough regions and covered a number of different flow and bottom undulation conditions.

#### 2. MODEL: STEADY-STATE **FLOW** UNDULATED BOTTOM

Assume that the fluid is of depth h and has flow velocity U in the positive x-direction. The bed is impermeable and undulated infinitely, and the flow nonseparating. Let the

function  $y = -h + \eta(x)$  describe the bedform, where  $\eta(x) = a$ Cos kx and a is small.

In this analysis the form of the bed and free surface will be idealized as two-dimensional. The flow will be treated as irrotational, and the viscosity, surface tension, and the compressibility of the fluid will be neglected. The velocity v can be expressed as the gradient of a velocity potential  $\varphi$  which must represent the uniform current U and a small perturbed motion of fluid:

$$v = (U + u, v) = -grad \varphi$$

where u and v are velocity components of the fluid motion, and  $\varphi$  is the sum of the velocity potential (-Ux) existing in the absence of bottom undulations and the perturbation  $\varphi^*$ .

If the displacement of the fluid free surface is  $\zeta$ , the linear boundary problem is as follows

$$\Delta \varphi^* = 0 \qquad \text{at } -h \le y \le 0 \tag{2}$$

$$-\varphi^* \cdot \zeta + \varphi^* \cdot = 0 \qquad \text{on } y = 0 \tag{3}$$

$$\Delta \varphi^* = 0 & \text{at } -h \le y \le 0 \\
-\varphi^*_x \zeta_x + \varphi^*_y = 0 & \text{on } y = 0 \\
g \zeta + U \varphi^*_x = 0 & \text{on } y = 0 \\
-U \eta_x + \varphi^*_y = 0 & \text{on } y = -h$$
(2)
(3)

where subscripts denote differentiation.

The velocity potential is expressed by

$$\varphi = -Ux + \frac{aU^3}{2k \ Cish \ kh} \left[ \left( \frac{g}{U^2} + k \right) e^{ky} - \left( \frac{g}{U^2} - k \right) e^{-ky} \right] \frac{\sin kx}{U^2 - c^2}$$
(6)

where c is the celerity of waves of length  $L = 2\pi/k$  in water of depth h

$$c^2 = g/k \ Tanh \ kh \tag{7}$$

The equation of free surface is

$$\zeta = aU^2 \cos kx / [\cosh kh (U^2 - c^2)]$$
 (8

Thus the crests and troughs of the free surface and the bottom correspond or are opposite according as

$$U^2 > c^2$$
 or  $U^2 < c^2$ .

For deep water the horizontal velocities at the crest and trough positions on the bed surface,  $u_{cr}$  and  $u_{tr}$ , are given by

$$u_{cr/tr} = U(1 \pm ak) \tag{9}$$

and so depend directly on the undulated bottom steepness ak. The stream function  $\psi(x,y)$  is determined by

(10)

Note that any bed profile that is a simple harmonic function of x can be obtain by linear superposition of expression of the form  $\eta_n(x) = a_n \cos k_n x$  since it is the most general Fourier component. Even though, in any particular case, the coefficients in the series may be small, their effect on the flow near the bed may be large since the effect of the bottom undulations depends not on their amplitudes, but on their steepnesses.

#### 3. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

The measurements were made in a steady-flow recirculating flume which had a total length of 160 cm, a width of 8 cm, and a depth of 14 cm. The current was generated by a constant head system. By adjusting the height of the weir at the end of the flume, the desired water depth was obtained.

Two types of sediment material were used: sand with diameters of 0.35 mm and 0.60 mm. The mean diameter of sand particles was determined by the standard range particle size analyzer MICROTRACII utilizing the phenomenon of low-angle forward scattered light from a laser beam projected through stream particle.

The modeling clay was used to produce the undulated rigid bottom forms, which were symmetrical about their crests in the horizontal direction. The undulated section of bed was 100 cm long. The flow took place over the section of undulations of identical sinusoidal or triangular shape and size. The steepness ak was varied through the range from 0.15 to 0.63.

The procedure in the experiments was to measure the velocity in the free stream flow using volumetric method and LDA, and to estimate simultaneously the response of the sand bed by a photometric method. Estimates showed that displacement of the fluid-sand interface from the equilibrium position on the photopictures was measured within an accuracy of 0.5 mm.

The flow kinematic parameters were measured using a laser Doppler anemometer (LDA DANTEC). A LDA-system consisted of two beams having diameters 1 mm, one component modular optics operating in the direct-scatter mode. Small particles (1 - 5 µm), which are commonly present in most liquids, provided the necessary scattering centers. The kinematic data were recorded and processed using a data acquisition and signal processor system and a personal computer with special software. The velocity and arrival-time information were stored to reconstruct the mean velocity, RMSvalue, and Turbulent Intensity (TI). For these experiments the signal processor was set for a Doppler frequency range of 0.12 MHz or 0.40 MHz. A frequency shift of 40 MHz was used for the Doppler frequency ranges. These settings for the red light (wavelength = 632.8 nm) covered the expected velocity range of -0.4 to 1.1 m/s, respectively. The vertical velocity profiles were obtained by displacing the modular optics by means of a

traverse mechanism. Measurements were made at various heights above the bed at horizontal positions equally spaced over one wavelength of the bottom undulation. The combined relative error of the velocity measurement did not usually exceed 3%. Most of the velocity measurements outlined in this paper were made at distance from 0.2 to 0.4 m from the leading edge of the undulated section of bed.

#### 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### 4.1. Flow over a moyable sediment bed

Experiments showed that for certain intervals of the Froude number, F, the surface of movable bed was characterized by periodic irregularities - sand waves.

If the flow is tranquil, F < I, ripples and dunes could be generated. These sand waves are similar in shape: they have the upstream side with gradually varying slope and the abrupt downstream side. Introducing the length L and amplitude a of sand waves, and considering the characteristic scale of uniform flow to be the depth h, it is possible to distinguish ripples and dunes: in the case of ripples L and a are not functions of h, whereas for dunes they depend on h. These waves move in the direction of flow with velocity  $u_s$  (< 0.5 cm/s) which is small in comparison to the velocity U of uniform flow.

Figure 1 shows the theoretical curve derived from Eq. (1) and experimental data. These results can be used as the basis to estimate different bedforms: if the velocity U and the depth h are known, that wavelengths of dunes and antidunes can be predicted. The main discrepancy between the predicted and experimental values of F is due to following factors. First, experiments say that as a rule, bedforms had a random. unsteady and three-dimensional structure, whereas the model was determenistic and two-dimensional, Note that the case of 3D-bedforms was considered by Reynolds (1965). His modified criterion for the maximum Froude number was in better agreement with measured data but did not compensate for the discrepancy. Second, in the Kennedy-Reynolds' model the sediment transport was considered in the vicinity of the bed (socalled 'bed-load transport'), notwithstanding the transport of suspended material. Finally, the model was derived in the approximation of ideal fluid. All this is well-known and described in greater detail in many places.

To simplify the complicated problem of fluid flow over a sediment bed, an attempt was made to consider only the fluid region over a rigid undulated bottom.

#### 4.2. Flow over undulated rigid bottom

Experiments have been performed to determine the nearbottom velocity field. These results are necessary to an understanding of the response of the bed to the uniform flow in the fluid area.

The original bed profile is shown in detail as the full line in the lower part of Fig. 2(a). The bed wavelength was L = 11.4cm, so its steepness was ak = 0.25. The flow above the zero streamline  $\psi = 0$  displays the expected features, namely that the streamlines converge over crests and diverge over the troughs. The consequence of this may be seen in Fig. 2(b), where measured and predicted (See Eq.(6)) vertical profiles of horizontal velocity u are shown. At the crest the surface velocity is 1.27U, where U is the undisturbed free-stream velocity, and at the trough the surface velocity is 0.68U. The velocity perturbation due to the bed form extends throughout the area of the flow up to free surface because water is relative shallow compared with the bed wavelength (h/L=0.39). The presence of a free surface caused relative increases in velocity over crests, and relative decreases in the troughs. The theory is in good agreement with the experimental data.

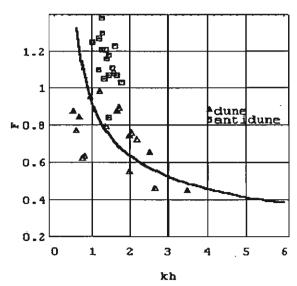


Figure 1. Comparison of predicted and observed forms

The dependence of results upon kh is expected on the basis of the results for perturbed potential flow. Fig. 3 shows the flow features in the case kh = 3.85.

Note that in near-bottom and near-free-surface regions, the measured velocity prifiles deviate from the theoretical profiles. There are three major reasons for the deviations observed in the LDA measurements: 1) velocity information is integrated over the finite size of the measuring volume. For a zero or small velocity gradient, this integration does not affect the mean values. However, if the velocity gradient is changing, this effect becomes important; 2) LDA measurements are discrete and, therefore, the measurements at different points in a velocity profile must be phase-related. In this respect, in addition to errors relating to the phase trigger accuracy, the fluctuations in the driving frequency during the measurements must be added. These errors could not be accurately estimeted;

3) in very-near-bottom or free surface regions, reflections from bed or free surfaces are collected by the receiving optics. These reflections contain the shift frequency and are detected as zero velocity. For larger velocities, the signal evaluation algorithm can reject such influences. For small velocities, this effect leads to lower velocity estimates. The effect could be reduced if refractive-index matched device was used (Teufel et al. 1992).

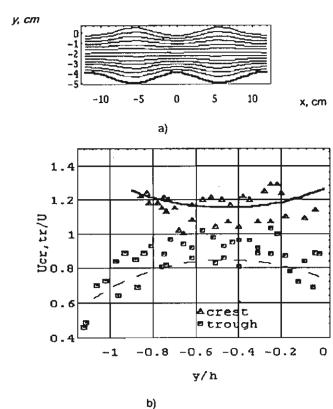


Fig. 2. a) Streamlines for nonseparating flow over the undulated rigid bottom; b) Vertical profiles of the normalized horizontal velocity above crest and trough positions: U = 38 cm/s, a = 0.5 cm, L = 11.4 cm

In Fig. 4 the mean velocity  $\omega/U$  and turbulent intensity (TI) at three different levels are plotted as functions of downstream distance. Dots represent model results. In spite of the scatter of experimental points, the model calculation exhibits the major features of the flow. In particular, note the profiles at y = -5.8 cm and y = -5.0 cm above bed. The calculation indicates that at these levels the flow decelerates initially and then accelerates father downstream, and the data support this fact. A related result of spacial non-homogeneity was obtained by McLean and Smith (1986) in studies of the flow over a large sand waves (2.7 m high and 74 m long) in Columbia River.

The extreme values of horizontal flow velocity over crests and troughs as functions of bedform steepness, and the results of calculations (See Eq. (9)) are plotted in Fig. 5. The dimensionless velocity increases at the crest and decreases at the trough as the steepness ak increases.

The measured values of u obeyed the linear curve in the semi-log plot. Therefore, the friction velocity u could be evaluated from the general log-law with the von Karman constant 2.5. The friction velocity may be used to determine the shear stresses  $\tau_0$  exerted on bottom undulations by a turbulent fluid stream. For bedforms, the basic parameters affecting the friction f are the water density and dynamic viscosity, the friction velocity u, the average flow depth h, the undulation amplitude a, and the bed length L.

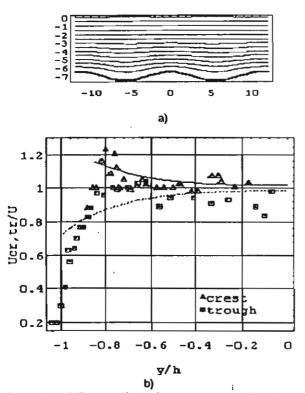


Figure 3. a) Streamlines for nonseparating flow over the undulated rigid bottom; b) Vertical profiles of the normalized horizontal velocity above crest and trough positions: U = 24.5 cm/s, a = 0.7 cm, L = 11.4 cm

The results in Figures 6 and 7 are for symmetrical triangular bedforms, and calculations have been performed by adopting the choice seven harmonics in Fourier series form. This is thought to give a good compromise between experimental and model profiles.

#### 6. CONCLUSIONS

The flow pattern over an undulated rigid bottom has been considered, and the results of the experimental study are presented. The experimental observations have shown that the bottom undulations have a significant effect upon both the mean velocity profiles and the magnitude of the turbulent fluctuations.

The overall agreement between the potential flow linear model and the measurements of the horizontal average of the time-mean velocity is suprisingly good in view of fact that this model was derived for non-separating flow. However, the horizontal velocity clearly deviates from calculated values in the immediate vicinity of the bed. This is probably due to the large-scale momentum exchanges associated with vortex formation.

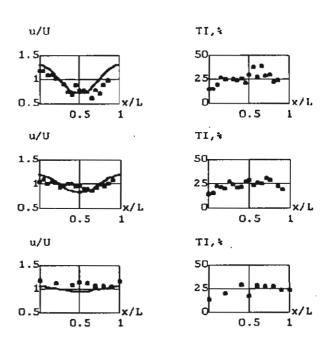


Figure 4. Horizontal distribution of mean velocity and turbulent intensity (TI) at level y = -5.8; -5.0; and -3.0 cm for flow velocity U = 21 cm/s and depth h = 7.0 cm, and bottom undulations with L = 10.0 cm and a = 1.0

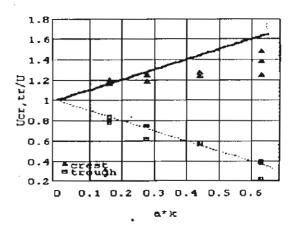


Figure 5. Dimensionless horizontal velocities ucr/tr at crest and trough as functions of bedform steepness

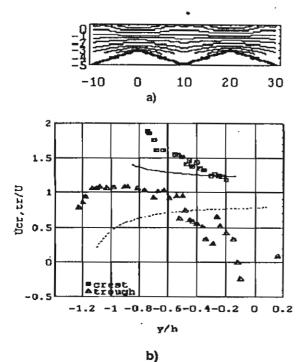


Figure 6. a) Streamlines for nonseparating flow over the "sawtooth" rigid bottom; b) Vertical profiles of the normalized horizontal velocity above crest and trough positions (L = 20 cm, a = 1.0 cm, h = 4.0 cm, U = 33.5 cm/s)

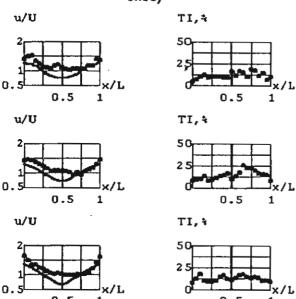


Figure 7. Horizontal distribution of mean velocity and turbulent intensity (TI) at level y = -1.0; -2.0; and -2.9 cm for flow velocity U = 33.5 cm/s and depth h = 4.0

## cm, and bottom triangular undulations with L = 20.0 cm and a = 1.0 cm

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#### EFFECT OF INCLINATION ANGLES AND UPPER END CONDITIONS ON THE COUNTERCURRENT FLOW LIMITATION IN STRAIGHT CIRCULAR PIPES

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#### ABSTRACT

In the present study, the experimental data of the countercurrent flow limitation (CCFL) for air and water in inclined pipes are investigated. Water is introduced at the top of the test section while air is injected at the bottom as countercurrent flow. The water flow rate is fixed while the air flow rate is slowly increased, until the CCFL is reached. Data from each experiment consists of the flow rates of air and water. The curves of CCFL are built and shown as a function of the dimensionless superficial velocity. The influence of the inclination angles of the pipes and upper end conditions on CCFL are also discussed.

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#### Introduction

Countercurrent flow limitation (CCFL) or the onset of flooding refers to the limiting condition at which the flow rates of both the gas and the liquid phase cannot be increased further. A further increase will cause the liquid to be carried by the gas. This is a subject of engineering interest, particularly in the design of two-phase heat and mass transfer processes.

Many studies have been carried out, both experimentally and analytically on CCFL, mostly in vertical pipes [1,2,3,4]. The CCFL in an inclined pipe has received comparatively very little attention in the literature. Some of the earliest work was performed by Barnea et. al. [5] with particular attention on the effect of the water inlet sections. Two types of water inlet sections, an inner tube section and a porous section, are used in the experiments. Data on flooding were collected and predictive models for calculating the flooding conditions were proposed.

Celata et. al. [6,7] evaluated the influence of slight deviations from the vertical position on the flooding parameters in a circular pipe, with and without obstructions respectively. An improvement on the

Barnea et. al. model for the prediction of the onset of flooding in inclined pipes was proposed. Geweke et.al. [8] investigated the influence of pipe diameter and the inclination angle on the flooding limit. Angles of 5° to 50° from the horizontal were chosen. A new calculation procedure based upon a two-fluid model was developed.

Relatively little information is currently available on the countercurrent flow limitation or flooding phenomena in inclined circular pipes. The effect of the inclination angles and the upper end conditions have not yet been clearly investigated. In the present study, the experimental results of the CCFL of air and water in inclined circular pipes are obtained and the effects of a small inclination angle from the vertical and upper end condition of the test section are investigated.

#### **Experimental Apparatus and Method**

A schematic diagram of the test facility is shown in Fig 1. In the experimental investigations, air and water were used as the working fluids. The main components of the system consisted of the test section, an air supply, a water supply and instrumentation. The test section, with an inside diameter of 29 mm the length of 3.50 m was constructed from transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The connections of the piping system were designed such that the component part can be changed very easily. Water was pumped from the storage tank through a rotameter, to the water inlet section and hence flowed back to the storage tank. The water inlet section (Fig. 2) was constructed from two concentric tubes, the inner tube being the test section or sinter which was radially drilled with 350 holes of 1 mm diameter. The inner tube of the sinter was also covered with a fine wire mesh to distribute the water smoothly along the inclined pipe.

The water in the inlet section flowed downwards to the storage tank while the air flowed countercurrently. The level of water in the water outlet section was kept constant, and the excess water was returned to the storage tank. Two types of upper end conditions (open and closed) (see Fig.1) were used in the experiments. Air was supplied to the test section by a blower and the air flow was controlled by a valve at the outlet of a blower. The inlet flow rate of air was measured by means of an orifice and micromanometer, and the inlet flow rate of water was measured by three sets of rotameter within the range of 0-4.8 m<sup>3</sup>/h. The temperatures of air and water were measured by thermocouples (± 0.5%). The two phase pressure drop between the test section was measured by a digital manometer within resolution of 0.1 Pa.

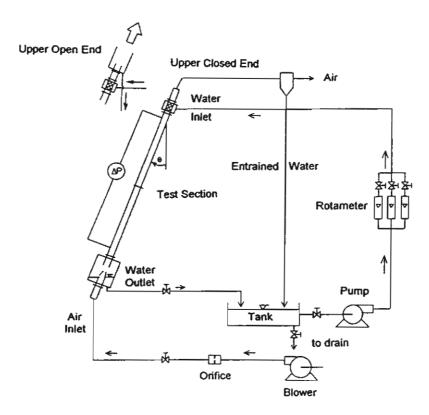


FIG. 1 Schematic diagram of experimental apparatus

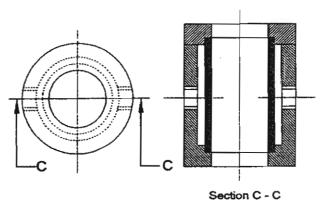


FIG. 2 Schematic diagram of water inlet section

Experiments were conducted at various air and water flow rates, at varying inclination angles from the vertical  $(\theta)$  and a variety of upper end conditions. In the experiments the air flow rate was increased by small increments while the water flow rate was kept constant at a preselected value. After each change in the inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates were recorded. The experiments were continued until the onset of flooding was observed.

#### Results and Discussion

The countercurrent flow limitation was determined by keeping the injected water flow rates constant, while the air flow rate was increased in small increments up to the onset of flooding. Flooding was observed visually in conjuction with the pressure drop. For small air flow rates, the water flows downward from the water inlet section through the test section to the storage tank. In this case the superficial velocities of the water phase at the water inlet and water outlet section were equal. As the air flow rate was gradually increased, the pressure drop of two-phase flow increased slightly. At the onset of flooding, due to instabilities at the interface, slugging occurred and the pressure drop suddenly increased. The slugs carry a fraction of the injected water to the upper end section: the water flow at the water outlet section is thus smaller, and afterwards the pressure drop decreased.

Typical flooding curves connecting all points of the onset of flooding are shown in Figs 3 to 8. They show the relationship between the square root of the dimensionless superficial velocity of water  $(\hat{J}_L^*)^{1/2}$  with the square root of the dimensionless superficial velocity of air  $(\hat{J}_G^*)^{1/2}$ . The variables  $\hat{J}_L^*$ ,  $\hat{J}_G^*$  are defined by

$$j_k^* = j_k \left[ \frac{\rho_k}{(\rho_L - \rho_G)gD} \right]^{1/2}, \qquad k = G.L$$

where  $j_k$  and  $p_k$  denote the superficial velocity and density, respectively, of phase k; g is the gravitational acceleration; and D is the pipe diameter.

At specific experimental conditions the onset of flooding was found to depend on the inlet feed water flow rate. The air flow rate creating the onset of flooding decreased as the water flow rate increased. The effect of the inclination angle from the vertical is shown in Figs. 3 and 4. In the case of an upper open end, the water flows along nearly vertical inclined pipes were accelerated by gravity and tended to depress the growth of unstable waves. A greater air flow rate was therefore required to cause flooding. The effect

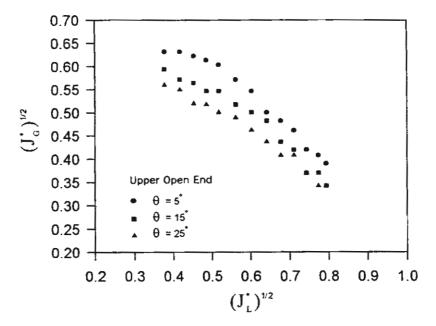
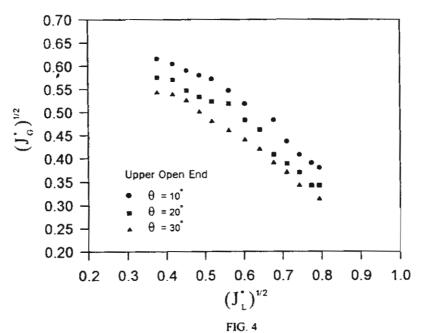
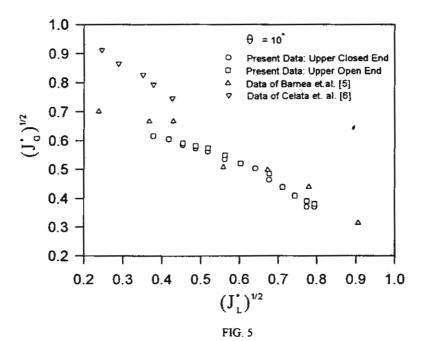


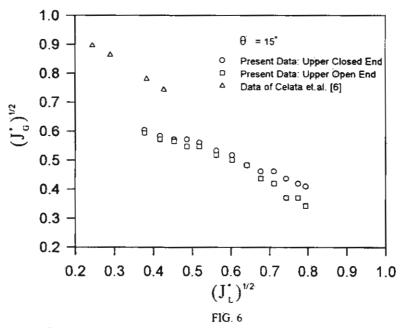
FIG. 3 Effect of inclination angle from the vertical (0) on flooding



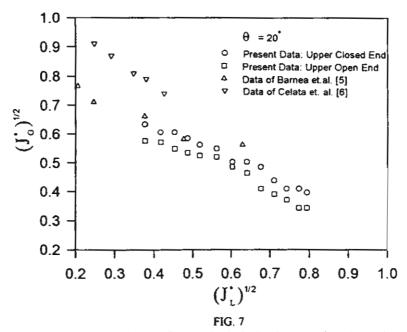
Effect of inclination angle from the vertical  $(\theta)$  on flooding



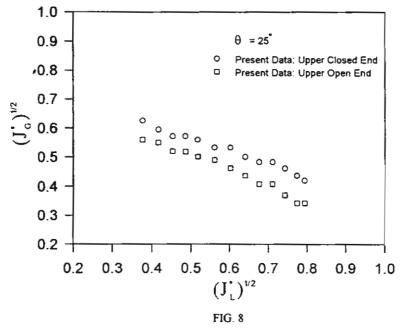
Effect of upper end condition on flooding for the inclination angle from the vertical  $(\theta) = 10^{\circ}$ 



Effect of upper end condition on flooding for the inclination angle from the vertical  $(\theta) = 15^{\circ}$ 



Effect of upper end condition on flooding for the inclination angle from the vertical ( $\theta$ ) = 20°



Effect of upper end condition on flooding for the inclination angle from the vertical ( $\theta$ ) = 25°

of inclination angles is closely related to the condition of the upper end. For an upper closed end condition, the onset of flooding is nearly the same for all inclination angles from the vertical position. This means that the flooding points of the open system and the closed system become more distinct as the inclination angle from the vertical was increased. ( Figs. 5 to 8). The results are also compared with those from Barnea et.al. [5], D = 51 mm and Celata et.al. [6,7], D = 20 mm and shown in Figs. 5 to 7. The data points from Barnea et.al. [5] are taken from a log-log plot, thus causing some uncertainties. Therefore only some points are shown in the figures. However the results from Barnea et.al. correlated quite well with those of this study in the case of an upper closed end system.

#### Conclusion

This paper presents new data for countercurrent flow of gas and liquid in a pipe which is slightly inclined from the vertical. Experiments were performed to determine the countercurrent flow limitation (or onset of flooding). Water was ejected through the test section while air flowed countercurrently and the phenomena was visually observed. The general flooding points depend on the water feed rate. The air flow rate which causes the onset of flooding decreases while the water flow rate increases. The influence of the inclination angle and upper end conditions is of significance for the onset of flooding. For an upper-open end system, with increasing inclination angles from the vertical, the flooding curves shift to lower gas velocities. For an upper-closed end system, the onset of flooding is nearly the same for all inclination angles. The difference of flooding points between two types of upper end conditions become large when the inclination angle is increased.

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#### Nomenclature

- D pipe diameter, m
- g gravitational acceleration, m/s<sup>2</sup>
- j superficial velocity, m/s
- j\* dimensionless superficial velocity

#### **Greek Symbols**

- θ inclination angle from the vertical, deg.
- ρ density, kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- ΔP pressure drop, Pa

#### Subscripts

- k gas or liquid
- G gas
- L liquid

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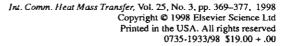
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### INTERFACIAL FRICTION FACTORS IN COUNTERCURRENT STRATIFIED TWO-PHASE FLOW IN A NEARLY-HORIZONTAL CIRCULAR PIPE

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#### ABSTRACT

The interfacial shear stresses for a countercurrent stratified two phase flow in a nearly horizontal circular pipe were determined from a momentum balance using gas and liquid flow rates, wall shear stresses and liquid holdups. The interfacial shear stresses were approximated to be a function of interfacial friction factors, gas and liquid velocities. An empirical correlation for predicting the interfacial friction factors has also been developed for practical applications. © 1998 Elsevier Science Ltd

#### Introduction

Stratified countercurrent two phase flow in pipes is encountered in several industrial applications including the flow of oil and natural gas in petroleum industries and the flow of steam and water in emergency core cooling (ECC) systems in nuclear reactors during the postulated loss of coolant accidents (LOCA). Interfacial shear stress in two-phase flow is one of the main factors governing transport phenomena, such as heat and mass transfer processes and it is required for modeling the flow in these applications. The study of interfacial shear stresses in countercurrent two phase flow has been limited in comparison to the study of those in cocurrent flow [1,2,3]. The major studies of those in countercurrent flow have also been in rectangular channels [4,5,6]. Some of the earliest work was performed by Johnston [7] who investigated the interfacial shear stress contribution in two-phase stratified flow. However, any mathematical model concerning the interfacial shear stress wasn't developed.

Relatively little information is currently available on the interfacial shear stress in countercurrent stratified two phase flow in circular pipe. In the present study, the interfacial friction factor (f<sub>i</sub>) of the countercurrent stratified flow for a nearly horizontal pipe is investigated. An empirical correlation for predicting the interfacial friction factors has also been developed for practical applications.

#### **Experimental Apparatus and Method**

The test facility used is shown schematically in Fig 1. The main components of the system consisted of the test section, an air supply, a water supply and instrumentation. The test section, with an inside diameter of 64 mm the length of 3.50 m was constructed from transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The connections of the piping system were designed such that the component part can be changed easily. Water was pumped from the storage tank through a rotameter, to the water inlet section and hence flowed back to the storage tank. The water inlet section was constructed from two concentric tubes, the inner tube being the test section or sinter which was radially drilled with many small holds. The inner tube of the sinter was also covered with a fine wire mesh to distribute the water smoothly along the pipe.

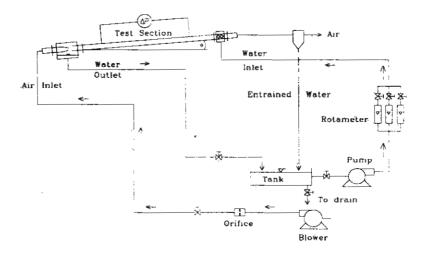


FIG. 1
Schematic diagram of experimental apparatus

The water in the inlet section flowed downwards to the storage tank while the air flowed countercurrently. Air was supplied to the test section by a blower and the air flow was controlled by a valve at the outlet of a blower. The inlet flow rate of air was measured by means of an orifice and micromanometer, and the inlet flow rate of water was measured by three sets of rotameter. The temperatures of air and water were measured by thermocouples. The two phase pressure drop between the test section was measured by a micromanometer. Stainless ring electrodes were mounted flush in the tube wall for measuring the liquid holdup, which is defined as the ratio of the cross-sectional area filled with

liquid to the total crossectional area of the pipe. The measuring position was located at the middle of the test section. It operate on the principle of variation of electrical resistance with changes in the water level between two parallel electrode rings. Due to variation of conductivity with temperature and coating of the electrodes with impurities, the gauges were calibrated before and after each run.

In the experiments the air flow rate was increased by small increments while the water flow rate was kept constant at a preselected value. After each change in the inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates and the pressure drop were recorded. The liquid holdup was registered through the transducers and transferred to the data acquisition system.

#### **Mathematical Model**

A momentum balance can be applied to an element of steady-state stratified countercurrent pipe flow in order to deduce the interfacial shear stress, the shear between the surface of the liquid and the gas flowing over it. No purely theoretical model for the fluid-wall friction factor is available, so this momentum balance can not predict the interfacial shear without using another empirical relationship for the fluid-wall shear. Also, the momentum balance is only one-dimensional, meaning the equation will only be an approximation in the case of wavy flow.

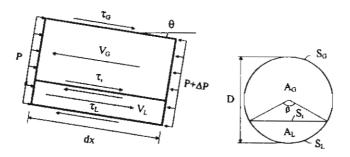


FIG. 2

Model used to form momentum balance equation

The momentum equations for liquid and gas phases are

$$A_L dp + \tau_L S_L dx + \tau_s S_s dx - \rho_L A_L g \sin\theta dx = 0$$

$$A_C dp - \tau_C S_C dx - \tau_s S_s dx + \rho_C A_C g \sin\theta dx = 0$$
(1)

Solving for the pressure gradient in each equation gives

$$\frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{A_I} \left( -\tau_I S_I - \tau_I S_I \right) + \rho_L g \sin\theta \tag{2}$$

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$$\frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{A_G} \left( \tau_G S_G dx + \tau_i S_i \right) + \rho_G g \sin\theta \tag{3}$$

These values will agree provided the shear stresses and other variables have theoretically correct values. The pressure drop may be eliminated from the equation, allowing an expression for  $\tau$ , to be found:

$$\tau_i S_i \left( \frac{1}{A_L} + \frac{1}{A_G} \right) = \tau_G \frac{S_G}{A_G} - \tau_L \frac{S_L}{A_L} + (\rho_L - \rho_G) g \sin\theta \tag{4}$$

In order to calculate interfacial shear stress in a general manner, empirical relationships for the fluid-wall shear forces,  $\tau_L$  and  $\tau_G$  must be substituted into the above equation (4). Knowing the pipe friction factor, the shear stress is

$$\tau_k = f_k \left( \frac{1}{2} \rho_k V_k^2 \right) \quad ; \quad k = G, L$$
 (5)

The usual empirical result is used,

$$f_k = C_k \operatorname{Re}_k^{-n}$$
,  $\operatorname{Re}_k = \frac{D_k V_k}{V_k}$ ;  $k = G.L$  (6)

The Reynolds number is based on  $D_k$  the hydraulic diameter, defined for the purpose of this two-phase flow in the manner used by Agrawal et.al. [8] and later by Johnston [7]. The liquid is visualized as if it is flowing in an open channel. The gas is visualized as flowing in a closed duct, thus

$$D_L = \frac{4A_L}{S_L}$$
 .  $D_G = \frac{4A_G}{S_C + S_L}$  (7)

$$S_{cr} = \left(\pi - \frac{\beta}{2}\right)D$$
,  $S_{L} = \left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right)D$ ,  $S_{c} = D\sin\left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right)$  (8)

$$\varepsilon_L = 1 - \frac{1}{2\pi} (\beta - \sin \beta) \tag{9}$$

Taitel and Dukler [9] used the following empirical values for the constants in the friction factor equation

Turbulent flow regime:  $C_k = 0.046$  n = 0.2

Laminar flow regime:  $C_k = 16$  n = 1

These equations allow the interfacial shear stress of equation (4) to be calculated. Forming an expression for this shear stress in terms of a friction factor, a density and a velocity will lead to a general method for predicting this shear stress. Johnston [7] 's expression with the relative fluid velocity and density of the gas is used, since the interfacial flow is considered similar to fluid-wall flow for the smooth and possibly for the wavy regimes being studied.

$$\tau_i = f_i \left( \frac{1}{2} \rho_G \left[ V_G + V_L \right]^2 \right) \tag{10}$$

#### Results and Discussion

The calculations described in the former section were completed to give values for  $f_i$ . A model was then constructed for an empirical relationship between  $f_i$  and the experimental variables. The contour lines at fixed Reynolds number of liquid phase are shown in Fig. 3. The software used is a free-domain contour plot routine [10] and unfortunately extends contours beyond the region of the provided data, however, the contours still show the clear trends of the data within the data region.

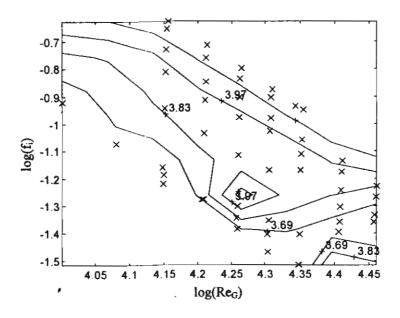


FIG. 3

Data for interfacial friction factor in smooth flow at D = 0.064 mm ,  $\theta$  = 5° , log Re<sub>L</sub> levels

This graph indicates that changes in Reynolds numbers of each phase have an effect on the friction factor. In this case, increased  $Re_L$  causes increased friction factor  $f_L$ . An increase in  $Re_G$  causes generally lower friction factor  $f_L$ . This may be because as the flow regime changes, boundary layer effects become less important to the shear stress and the surface shape becomes more important, giving a different dominant factor in the tests for higher gas flow rates.

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From the experimental results, an empirical correlation of the friction factor was formulated. The significant variables for the experiment at constant inclination angle (5°) are considered to be: density and viscosity values for liquid and gas, pipe diameter, and liquid and gas volume flow rates. This gives a total of 7 variables in 3 dimensions, requiring 4 dimensionless groups. Two Reynolds numbers are possible, also a flow rate ratio, viscosity ratio or a density ratio. Regression analyses performed with these variables however did not give convincing correlations. It was conceded that use of the dependent variable of liquid holdup,  $\varepsilon_L$  gave much improved correlation by allowing pipe-flow Reynolds numbers based on hydraulic diameters to be used, despite it adding an extra layer of dependency in the problem.

A power law relationship following the work of Lee [6] was used. It was assumed that the significant variables for the rectangular channel would apply to the circular pipe. This equation had the following form:

$$f_i = C \operatorname{Re}_{G}^{n_i} \operatorname{Re}_{L}^{n_2} \left( \frac{\mu_L}{\mu_G} \right)^{n_3}$$
 (11)

In this experiment the viscosity ratio is constant, as water and air were used for the two phases throughout the experiment. It was thus attempted to correlate the data to the power law equation of the form:

$$f_i = C \operatorname{Re}_{G}^{n_1} \operatorname{Re}_{i}^{n_2} \tag{12}$$

This equation was found to give poor correlation to the data set at adjusted R squared  $(\overline{R}^2)$  of 0.57, however both  $Re_G$  and  $Re_L$  were shown to be significant. Another experimental variable was sought, but since sufficient variables according to dimensional analysis had been used, an extra redundant or dependent variable was required. The liquid holdup,  $\epsilon_L$  was chosen, and included as another factor in the power law. Note that this variable is redundant since it was used in the calculation of both  $Re_G$  and  $Re_I$ . The empirical equation was now

$$f_{i} = (\operatorname{Re}_{G}^{n_{i}} \operatorname{Re}_{L}^{n_{i}} \varepsilon_{L}^{n_{i}})$$
(13)

Correlation of this equation with the data at  $\theta = 5^{\circ}$  gave population-adjusted correlation coefficients of  $\overline{R}^2 = 0.989$ . The corresponding coefficients are:  $C = 10^{15.51}$ ,  $n_1 = -1.80$ ,  $n_2 = -1.44$ ,  $n_3 = 2.18$ 

The fit of the equation to the data is excellent with high values of  $\overline{R}^2$ . To show the accuracy of the fitted equations in predicting  $f_i$ , the predicted values have been plotted against the measured values as shown in Fig. 4. A perfect fit would give a graph with all points lying on the line y = x at a gradient of 1.

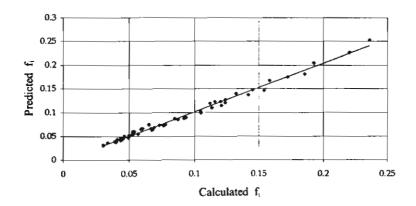


FIG. 4

Comparison between the correlation and the experimental data for countercurrent stratified flow

#### Conclusion

The effect of liquid and gas Reynolds numbers on the interfacial friction factor was investigated graphically. It was shown that, increasing of the gas Reynolds number acted to decrease the interfacial friction factor. Accurate curve-fits was made for countercurrent stratified interfacial friction factor data in a nearly horizontal pipe.

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#### **Nomenclature**

A<sub>G</sub>,A<sub>L</sub> crossectional area of gas and liquid phase, m<sup>2</sup>

C constant

D<sub>G</sub>,D<sub>L</sub> hydraulic diameter of gas and liquid phase, m

f<sub>G</sub>,f<sub>L</sub> gas-wall and liquid-wall friction factor

f, interfacial friction factor

- g gravitational acceleration, m/s<sup>2</sup>
- n constant
- P pressure, N/m<sup>2</sup>
- Reg gas phase Reynolds number
- Ret liquid phase Reynolds number
- S<sub>G</sub> gas phase perimeter, m
- S<sub>L</sub> liquid phase perimeter, m
- Si interfacial width, m
- V<sub>G</sub> average velocity of gas, m/s
- V<sub>L</sub> average velocity of liquid, m/s

#### **Greek Symbols**

- β angle in eqs. (8) and (9), radian
- θ inclination angle from the horizontal, deg.
- ρ density, kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- kinematic viscosity, m<sup>2</sup>/s
- τ shear stress, N/m<sup>2</sup>
- ε<sub>t</sub> liquid holdup

#### Subscripts

- k gas or liquid
- G gas phase
- L liquid phase
- i interface

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### HEAT- MASS TRANSFER AND FLOW CHARACTERISTICS OF TWO-PHASE COUNTERCURRENT ANNULAR FLOW IN A VERTICAL PIPE

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Experimental and theoretical results on flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics for the countercurrent flow of air and water in a vertical circular pipe are compared. An experimental setup was designed and constructed. Hot water is introduced through a porous section at the upper end of a test section and flows downward as a thin liquid film on the pipe wall while the air flows countercurrently. The air and water flow rates used in this study are those before the flooding is reached. A developed mathematical model is separated into three parts: A high Reynolds number turbulence model, in which the local state of turbulence characteristics consists of the turbulent kinetic energy (k) and its dissipation rate (E). The transport equations for both k and  $\varepsilon$  are solved simultaneously with the momentum equation to determine the kinetic turbulence viscosity, the pressure drop interfacial shear stress and then the friction factor at the film/core interface; Heat and mass transfer models are proposed in order to estimate the distribution of the temperature and the mass fraction of water vapor in gas core. The results from the model are compared with the present experimental ones. It can be shown from the present study that the influence of the interfacial wave phenomena is significant to the pressure loss, and the heat and mass transfer rate in the gas phase. O 1998 Elsevier Science Ltd

Many of the two phase flow transportation processes found in industrial applications occur in the annular flow regime. Annular two-phase flow is one of the most importance flow regimes and is characterized by a phase interface separating a thin liquid film from the gas flow in the core region. Two-phase annular flow occurs widely in film heating and cooling processes, particularly in power generation and especially in nuclear power reactors. This flow regime has received the most attention both analytically and experimentally [1-5] because of its practical importance and the relative ease to which analytical treatment may be applied.

Introduction

Relatively little information, however, is currently available on the heat and mass transfer characteristics of two-phase countercurrent annular flow in a vertical pipe. Some of earliest work was performed by Suzuki et al. [6]. They proposed a theoretical method to evaluate the heat transfer and flow characteristics of a two-phase, two-component annular flow with a thin film heated at low heat flux. A simple model for the wave effect employed in their study, predicts the heat transfer well. Hijikata et al. [7] studied the flow characteristics and heat transfer in countercurrent water and air flows. A theoretical model based on a low Reynolds number k-ɛ turbulence model was proposed, where an additional production term was considered to incorporate the wave effects. In the present study, the experimental and theoretical data on flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics for the vertical countercurrent annular flow are investigated. The effects of any relevant parameter on pressure loss, and the heat and mass transfer rate are also discussed.

#### **Experimental Apparatus and Method**

The experimental apparatus is shown schematically in Fig. 1. The test section, with an inside diameter of 24 mm and the length of 1.9 m was constructed from transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The water temperature was raised to the desired level by using electric heaters and was controlled by a temperature controller and then pumped through a rotameter, to the water inlet section. The water inlet section was constructed from two concentric tubes, the inner tube being the test section or sinter which is radially drilled with many small holes. The inner tube of the sinter is also covered with a fine wire mesh to distribute the water smoothly along the pipe. The water in the inlet section flows downwards as a liquid film along the test section while the air flows countercurrently. The level of water in the water outlet section was kept constant, and the excess water was drained out.

An upper open end condition was used in the experiments. Air was supplied to the test section by a blower and the flow rate was controlled by a valve at the outlet of a blower. The inlet flow rate of air was measured by means of an orifice and micromanometer, and the inlet flow rate of water was measured by a rotameter. The relative humidities of inlet and outlet air were calculated from wet and dry bulb temperatures and were checked by digital humidity meter (electrostatic capacitance type) using a polymer film as a sensor. The water temperature at three positions along the test section was measured by thermistors. The two phase pressure drop between the test section was measured by a digital manometer. Stainless ring electrodes were mounted flush in the tube wall for measuring the film thickness. The measuring positions were located at 30 cm and 170 cm from the lower end of the test section. They operate on the principle of the variation of electrical resistance with changes in the water film thickness between

two parallel electrode rings. The same description of the calibration procedures for annular flow can be found in Andreussi [8]. Due to the variation of conductivity with temperature and coating of the electrodes with impurities, the gauges were calibrated before and after each run.

Experiments were conducted at various air and water flow rates, at varying water temperatures. The air flow rate was increased by small increments while the water flow rate at specific temperature was kept constant. After each change in inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates, the relative humidity of air at inlet and outlet of the test section were recorded. The pressure drop across the test section and the film thickness were registered through the transducers and transferred to the data acquisition system. The flow phenomena were also detected by visual observation. The experiments were stopped before the onset of flooding was reached.

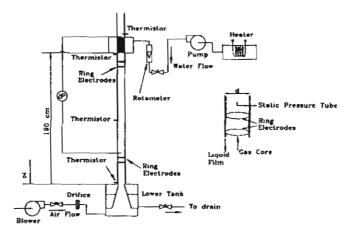


FIG. 1 Schematic diagram of experimental apparatus

# Mathematical Model

In order to compare with the present experimental results, the theoretical model of Hijikata et al. [7] is modified for this study. In the present paper, a model based on a high Reynolds number k-E turbulence model is proposed. The notation used for the calculation is shown in Fig. 2. The model is separated into three parts; flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics with the following assumptions:

- The gas flow is fully developed because of the large length-to-diameter ratio.
- The effect of vaporization on the gas flow field is neglected.
- Physical properties are constant and independent of the composition.

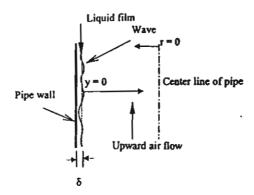


FIG. 2 Geometry of annular flow

#### Turbulence flow characteristic:

In turbulent flow, velocity fluctuations exchange momentum between adjacent layers of fluid, thereby causing apparent shear stresses that must be added to the stress caused by the mean velocity gradients. For a fully developed turbulent channel flow, the total shear stress is, therefore, given by

$$\tau = \mu \frac{dU}{dy} - \rho \, \overline{u'v'} \tag{1}$$

The term  $-\rho \overline{u'v'}$  is referred to as the turbulent shear stress which is related to the mean rate of strain via a turbulent viscosity (Jones and Launder [9]).ie.

$$-\rho \,\overline{u'v'} = \mu_t \, \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \tag{2}$$

A turbulent viscosity term therefore appears in the present model.

Momentum equation;

$$0 = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dz} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r(\upsilon + \upsilon_t) \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \right)$$
 (3)

Jones and Launder [9] presented turbulence models based on high and low Reynolds numbers in order to predict the laminarization. A high Reynolds number k-ɛ model is employed in this study.

Turbulent kinetic energy (k) equation;

$$\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r \left( \frac{\upsilon_t}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial y} \right) + \upsilon_t \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \right)^2 - \varepsilon \tag{4}$$

Turbulent kinetic energy dissipation (E) equation;

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r \left( \frac{\upsilon_t}{\sigma_x} \right) \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial y} \right) + C_1 \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \upsilon_t \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \right)^2 - C_2 \frac{\varepsilon^2}{k}$$
 (5)

Kinctic turbulent viscosity;

$$v_t = C_\mu \frac{k^2}{\epsilon} \tag{6}$$

The equations contain five adjustable constants  $C\mu$ ,  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $\sigma_k$ ,  $\sigma_s$ . The standard k- $\varepsilon$  model employs values for the constants that are arrived at by comprehensive data fitting for a wide range of turbulent flows (Versteeg and Malalasekera [10]; Singhal and Spalding [11]):

$$C\mu = 0.09$$
,  $C_1 = 1.44$ ,  $C_2 = 1.92$ ,  $\sigma_k = 1.0$ ,  $\sigma_k = 1.3$ 

The boundary conditions at the interface (y = 0) and the center of pipe (r = 0) are given as follows:

$$y = 0: U = -U_{lm}, k = 0, \varepsilon = 0$$
 (7)

$$r = 0: \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial k}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial y} = 0$$
 (8)

where U<sub>lm</sub> is the mean velocity of the liquid film obtained from the experiment.

#### Heat transfer characteristic:

The distributions of the temperature of the mixture between dry air and water vapor along the upward flow direction is expressed as:

$$U\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r \left( a + \frac{\upsilon_t}{Pr_t} \right) \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right)$$
 (9)

with a boundary condition;

$$y = 0: T = T_{\bullet}, \omega_{\pi} = \omega_{\pi} \tag{10}$$

#### Mass transfer characteristic:

The distributions of the mass fraction of the mixture between dry air and water vapor along the upward flow direction is also expressed as:

$$U\frac{\partial \omega_{\nu}}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \left( r \left( D + \frac{\upsilon_{t}}{Sc_{t}} \right) \frac{\partial \omega_{\nu}}{\partial \nu} \right)$$
 (11)

with a boundary condition;

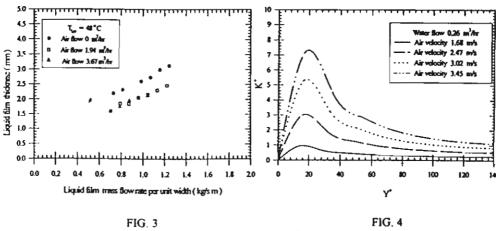
$$r = 0: \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \omega_{\nu}}{\partial y} = 0 \tag{12}$$

In turbulent flow, there is no universal relationship between the shear stress field and the mean velocity field. Thus, for turbulent flows we are forced to rely on experimental data. The velocity profile for a fully developed turbulent flow through a rough pipe from Pao [12] is used in the calculation. The friction factor in his equation is replaced by those obtained from the present experiment. The transport equations for

both k and  $\epsilon$  are solved simultaneously with the momentum equation using the finite difference method to determine the kinetic turbulence viscosity, pressure drop, interfacial shear stress and then, friction factor at film/core interface.

#### Results and Discussion

A large number of graphs can be drawn from the result of the study but because of space limitations, only typical results are shown. In the experiment, mean film thicknesses were measured at Z = 30 cm and 170 cm. Average values for both mean film thicknesses for various air and water flow rates are given in Fig. 3. The liquid film mass flow rate in this figure is on a per unit width basis in the spanwise direction. As the water flow rate is increased and the air flow rate held constant, the film thickness also increases. It can also be clearly seen that there is a great difference in the mean film thickness between experiments with and without air flow. The mean film thickness at any air flow rate for a specific water flow rate is, however, nearly the same. Figure 4 shows the relationship between the dimensionless turbulent kinetic energy  $(k^*, k/(u_*)^2)$  and dimensionless distance from the interface  $(y^*, yu_*/v)$ . The turbulent kinetic energy falls to zero at the interface. As a result of a wavy interface, the turbulent kinetic energy in the region close to the interface, rises monotonically with the distance from the interface to a maximum point and then drops sharply and approaches an equilibrium value. Because the amplitude of the film thickness fluctuation increases slightly with the air flow rate, the turbulent kinetic energy near the interface for higher air flow rate is higher than for lower flow rate.



Plot of film thickness against mass flow rate

Fully developed kinetic energy profiles

Figure 5 shows the variation of the interfacial friction factor with the air Reynolds number for typical test conditions. The friction factor for laminar flow and the Blasius correlation for turbulent flow in smooth pipe are also shown in this figure. The velocity gradient at the interface is much larger for turbulent flow than for laminar flow. This change in velocity profile causes the interfacial shear stress to increase sharply, with the same effect on the interfacial friction factor. The friction factor decreases gradually along the smooth pipe curve. This figure shows also a comparison of friction factors obtained from the model and the experiments. The agreement of this comparison is not bad through the whole range. As a result of the pipe roughness, experimental friction factors for air single phase flow are found to be higher than those from the Blasius correlation. As the water flow rate is increased, larger disturbance waves are formed. The friction factors at higher water flow rates seems, therefore, a little bit higher than those at lower ones. It should be noticed that a similar phenomenon can be found in single phase flow in rough walled pipes.

Figure 6 shows the relationship between the mass fraction of water vapor and the air temperature. The saturated line in this figure is based on the saturation vapor pressure of water. A circular point shows the inlet condition of air (dry air and water vapor), and the solid points show the outlet conditions. While the hot water flows down as a film countercurrently with air flow, vaporization occurs at the interface and water vapor from this vaporization will be added to the existing water vapor. Mass fractions of water vapor at the outlet of the test section are, therefore, higher than those of the inlet and also found to be below the saturation line. When the water temperature is higher, the points approach the saturation line. This is confirmed by visual observation that there is an absence of mist (tiny water droplets). However, if the water temperature is high enough, the water vapor from the vaporization is condensed in air stream to form a mist.

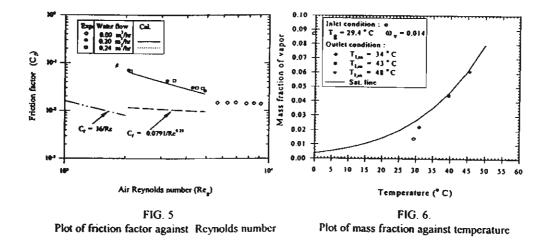


Figure 7 shows the relationship between the Nusselt (Nu) number and the value of RePr<sup>04</sup>. A complete heat balance was used to calculate the heat transfer coefficient. The equilibrium conditions of air

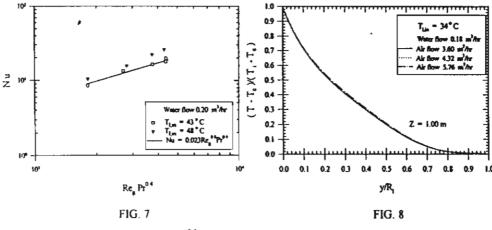
and water film after passing air through falling hot water film for any interval of time can be established by the following energy balance equation:

$$hA\Delta T_{tn} + \Delta GC_{p,v}T_{im} + G_{in}C_{p,in}T_{b,in} = G_{out}C_{p,out}T_{b,out}$$

The first, second, third and fourth term represent heat transferred from the falling water to the air stream, the enthalpy of vapor evaporated from the water film, the enthalpy of the inlet air and the enthalpy of the air leaving the test section respectively. The value of  $\Delta T_{ln}$  is the log mean temperature difference between both fluids.  $T_{lm}$  is the mean water temperature at interface. Consider the Nu number, based on a pipe diameter, rearranged in the form, Nu = hd/ $\xi$  and the heat transfer coefficient from the energy balance equation, the following equation is obtained;

$$Nu = \frac{d_i}{\xi} \frac{(G_{out} C_{p,out} T_{b,out} - G_{in} C_{p,in} T_{b,in} - \Delta G C_{p,v} T_{im})}{(\Delta T)_{lm} \pi d_i L}$$

The latent heat of vaporization is not included because, in this paper, the Nu number is defined for a sensible heat transfer. The figure also shows the effect of the upward air flow on the heat transfer coefficient. At a specific water temperature, the Nu number (or the heat transfer coefficient) increases with increases of the air flow rate. The solid line is the Nu number calculated from Dittus-Boelter equation for fully developed turbulent flow in smooth tubes; Nu =  $0.023 \text{Re}^{0.8} \text{Pr}^{0.4}$ . There is a good agreement here. Any discrepancies are due to the wave formed at the interface and variation of the water temperature along the pipe. Figure 8 shows the relationship between an average temperature ratio and the dimensionless distance from the interface, at z = 1 m. At the same inlet water flow rate and temperature, an increase in air flow rate causes a higher fluctuation of the film thickness, and thus higher rate of heat transfer. It corresponds to the results in Fig. 7. The temperature profiles differ, however, slightly from each other.



Plot of Nu against Re<sub>g</sub>Pr<sup>04</sup> Fully developed temperature profiles

Mass transfer characteristics can be discussed in the same way as those of the heat transfer. Consider the Sherwood (Sh) number =  $k_m d/D$  in which  $k_m$  is the mass transfer coefficient and D is the mass diffusivity. The mass transfer coefficient substituted in this equation is calculated from the mass balance equation and finally the following equation is obtained;

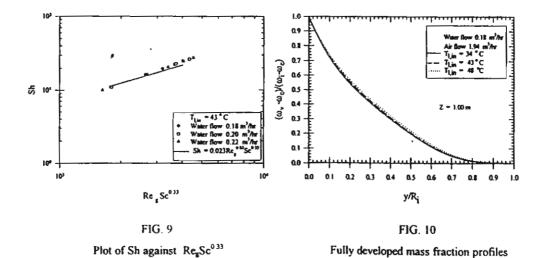
$$Sh = (1 - \omega_{v_0}) \frac{d_i}{\rho D} \frac{\Delta G}{(\Delta \omega_{v})_{in} \pi d_i L}$$

The results from Figs. 9 and 10 are closely associated with those from Figs. 7 and 8.

The relationship between the Sh number and the value of Re<sup>0.83</sup> Sc<sup>0.33</sup> is shown in Fig. 9. The similarities between the governing equations for heat, mass, and momentum transfer suggest that the empirical correlations for the mass transfer coefficient would be similar to those for the heat transfer coefficient. This turns out to be the case, and some of the empirical relations for mass transfer from a liquid that completely wets the inside of a tube to a turbulent gas that is flowing is given by Ozisik [13];

$$Sh = 0.023 Re^{0.83} Sc^{0.33}$$

The Sh number at any water flow rate for specific air flow rate and specific water temperature is, however, nearly the same. The solid line in Fig. 9 shows the Sh number calculated from above equation. The Sh number from the experiment is slightly higher than the theoretical value. The difference between them is considered to be a result of the wave formed at the interface. The profiles of mass fraction ratio predicted at Z= 1 m are also shown in Fig. 10. At specific water and air flows, the rate of vaporization increases with increases of the water temperature. It should be noted that in the present experiment where mist formation does not occur, the temperature and vapor concentration profiles are almost the same.



#### Conclusions

Experiments have been performed to study the flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics of airwater two-phase countercurrent annular flow in a vertical pipe. A theoretical model has been developed. The model is separated into three parts: a high Reynolds number turbulence model, in which the local state of turbulence characteristics are controlled by the turbulence kinetic energy (k) and its dissipation rate (ε); and the heat and mass transfer models. The transport equations for both k and ε are solved simultaneously with the momentum equation to determine the kinetic turbulence viscosity, the pressure drop, interfacial shear stress and then, the friction factor at the film/core interface. The distribution of the temperature and the mass fraction of water vapor in the gas core is also estimated from the heat and mass balance equations, and the kinetic turbulence viscosity is obtained from the former step. The results from the model are in reasonable agreement with the experimental results. It was found that the interface is often wavy in nature and the influence of the interfacial wave is of significance on the momentum, heat and mass transfer characteristics.

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#### Nomenclature

thermal diffusivity, m<sup>2</sup>/s heat transfer area, m2 Α C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>µ</sub> constant in Eqs.(5) and (6)  $C_P$ specific heat, J/kg %  $C_{\mathfrak{l}}$ friction factor pipe diameter, m d d, diameter of gas core, m D mass diffusivity, m2/s G mass flow rate, kg/s h heat transfer coefficient, W/m<sup>2</sup>C turbulent kinetic energy, m<sup>2</sup>/s<sup>2</sup> k\* dimensionless turbulent kinetic energy mass transfer coefficient, m/s pipe length, m L

km mass transfer coefficient, m/s L pipe length, m

Nu Nusselt number P pressure, N/m<sup>2</sup>

Pr Prandtl number r radial distance coordinate

Re Reynolds number Sc Schmidt number

R. distance from the pipe centerline to the interface, m

Sh	Sherwood number	t	time
T	temperature, C	U	mean velocity, m/s
u.	friction velocity, m/s $(=(\tau_i/\rho)^{1/2})$	u',v'	fluctuating components of velocity, m/s
$\overline{u'v'}$	time average of the product of $u'$ and $v'$	y	distance from the air-water interface, m
v*	dimensionless distance $(= vu, /v)$	Z	distance from the bottom of the test section m

# **Greek Symbols**

ρ	density, kg/m³	$\sigma_{k}$ , $\sigma_{t}$	constant in Eqs. (4) and (5)
τ	shear stress, N/m <sup>2</sup>	υ	kinematic viscosity, m <sup>2</sup> /s
μ	dynamic viscosity, kg/sm	ε	turbulent kinetic energy dissipation, m <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>3</sup>
۵	difference	ω	mass fraction
ξ	thermal conductivity, W/mC	δ	liquid film thickness, m

#### Subscripts

b	bulk	С	value at the centerline of the pipe
g	air	i	interface
in	inlet	1	liquid
ln	log mean difference	m	mean value
out	outlet	t	turbulent
v	water vapor	vs	saturated vapor

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5	Sh	Sherwood number	t	time
•	Γ	temperature, C	U	mean velocity, m/s
1	<i>.</i>	friction velocity, m/s $(=(\tau_i/\rho)^{1/2})$	u', v'	fluctuating components of velocity, m/s
ì	u'v'	time average of the product of $u'$ and $v'$	y	distance from the air-water interface, m
3	y*	dimensionless distance (= yu. /v)	z	distance from the bottom of the test section,m

# **Greek Symbols**

ρ	density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>	$\sigma_{k}$	constant in Eqs. (4) and (5)
τ	shear stress, N/m <sup>2</sup>	υ	kinematic viscosity, m <sup>2</sup> /s
μ	dynamic viscosity, kg/sm	ε	turbulent kinetic energy dissipation, m <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>3</sup>
٨	difference	ω	mass fraction
ξ	thermal conductivity, W/mC	δ	liquid film thickness, m

# Subscripts

b	bulk	С	value at the centerline of the pipe
g	air	i	interface
in	inlet	1	liquid
Ìn	log mean difference	m	mean value
out	outlet	t	turbulent
v	water vapor	vs	saturated vapor

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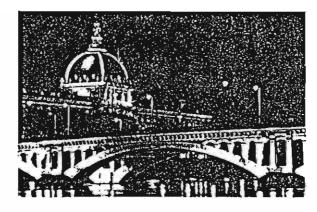
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# FLOW, HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS OF TWO-PHASE COUNTERCURRENT ANNULAR FLOW IN A VERTICAL PIPE

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# **Abstract**

In the present study, both experimental and theoretical results on flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics for the countercurrent flow of air and water in a vertical circular pipe are investigated. An experimental setup is designed and constructed. Hot water is introduced through the porous section at the upper end of the test section and flows downward as a thin liquid film on the pipe wall while the air flows countercurrently. The air and water flow rates in this study are those before the flooding is reached. A developed mathematical model is separated into three parts:

- A high Reynolds number turbulence model, which the local state of turbulence characteristics compose by two quantities, the turbulent kinetic energy (k) and its dissipation rate ( $\epsilon$ ). The transport equation for both k and  $\epsilon$  are solved simultaneously with the momentum equation to determine the kinetic turbulence viscosity, the pressure drop, interfacial shear stress and then, friction factor at film/core interface.
- The heat and mass transfer models which are proposed to estimate the distribution of temperature, mass fraction of water vapor in gas core.

The results from the model are compared with the present experimental ones. It is also found from the present study that the influence of the interfacial wave phenomena is of significance for the pressure loss, and the heat and mass transfer rate in the gas phase.

Key Words: Two-Phase Flow, Countercurrent Flow, Annular Flow, Turbulence, Heat and Mass Transfer

#### 1. Introduction

Many of two phase flow transportation processes found in the industries occur in the annular flow regime. Annular two-phase flow is one of the most importance flow regime which is characterized by a phase interfacial seperating the thin liquid film from the gas flow in the core region. Two-phase annular flow occurs widely in film heating and cooling process particularly in power generation especially in nuclear power reactors. This flow regime has received the most attention both analytically and experimentally [1-5] because of its practical importance and the relative case with which analytical treatment may be applied.

Relatively little information is, however, currently available on heat and mass transfer characteristics of two-phase countercurrent annular flow in a vertical pipe. Some of earliest work was performed by Suzuki et al. [6]. They proposed a theoretical method to evaluate the heat transfer and flow characteristics of two-phase two-component annular flow with a thin film heated at low heat flux. A simple model for the wave effect employed in their study can work very well in the prediction of heat transfer. Hijikata et al. [7] studied the flow characteristics and heat transfer in countercurrent water and air flows. A theoretical model based on the low Reynolds number k-ε turbulence model was proposed, where an addition production term was considered to incorporate the wave effect.

In the present study, the experimental and theoretical data on flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics for the vertical countercurrent annular flow are investigated. Effect of any parameter on pressure loss, and the heat and mass transfer rate are also discussed.

# 2. Experimental Apparatus and Method

The experimental apparatus is shown schematically in Fig. 1. The test section, with an inside diameter of 24 mm, the length of 1.9 m is constructed from transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The water temperature is raised to the desired level by using electrical heaters and is controlled by a temperature controller and then pumped through a rotameter, to the water inlet section. The water inlet section is constructed from two concentric tubes, the inner tube being the test section or sinter which is radially drilled with many small holes. The inner tube of the sinter is also covered with a fine wire mesh to distribute the water smoothly along the pipe. The water in the inlet section flows downwards as a liquid film along the test section while the air flows countercurrently. The level of water in the water outlet section is kept constant, and the excess water is drained out.

Upper open end condition is used in the experiments. Air is supplied to the test section by a blower and the flow rate is controlled by a valve at the outlet of a blower. The inlet flow rate of air is measured by means of an orifice and micromanometer, and the inlet flow rate of water is measured by a rotameter. The relative humidities of inlet and outlet air are calculated from wet and dry bulb temperatures and are checked by digital humidity meter (electrostatic capacitance type) used a polymer film as a sensor. The water temperature at three positions along the test section are measured by thermisters. The two phase pressure drop between the test section is measured by a digital manometer. Stainless ring electrodes are mounted flush in the tube wall for measuring the film thickness. The measuring positions are located at 30 cm and 170 cm from the lower end of the test section. They operate on the principle of variation of electrical resistance with changes in the water film thickness between two parallel electrode rings. The same description of the calibration procedures for annular flow can be found in Andreussi [8]. Due to variation of conductivity with temperature and coating of the electrodes with impurities, the gauges are calibrated before and after each run.

Experiments are conducted at various air and water flow rates, at varying water temperature. The air flow rate is increased by small increments while the water flow rate at specific temperature is kept constant. After each change in inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates, the relative humidity of air at inlet and outlet of the test section are recorded. The pressure drop across the test section, the film thickness are registered through the transducers and transferred to the data acquisition system. The flow phenomena are also detected by visual observation. The experiments are stopped before the onset of flooding is reached.

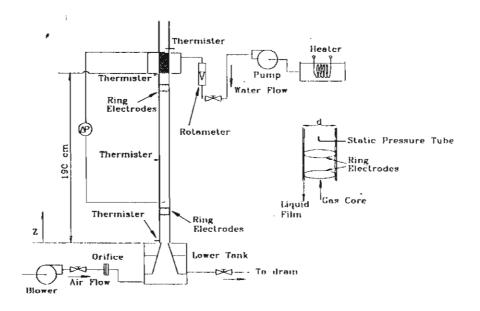


Fig. 1. Schematic diagram of experimental apparatus

# 3. Mathematical Model

In order to compare with the present experimental results, the theoretical model of Hijikata et al. [7] will be modified for this study. In the present paper, the model based on the high Reynolds number k-E turbulence model is proposed. The model is separated into three parts; flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics with the following assumptions:

- The gas flow is fully developed because of the large length-to-diameter ratio.
- The effect of vaporization on the gas flow field is neglected.
- Physical properties are constant and independent of the composition

# 3.1 Turbulence flow characteristic

In turbulent flow, velocity fluctuations exchange momentum between adjacent layers of fluid, thereby causing apparent shear stresses that must be added to the stress caused by the mean velocity gradients. For fully developed turbulent channel flow, the total shear stress is, therefore, given by

$$\tau = \mu \frac{dU}{dv} - \rho \, \overline{u'v'} \tag{1}$$

The term  $-\rho \overline{u'v'}$  is referred to as the turbulent shear stress which is related to the mean rate of strain via a turbulent viscosity (Jones and Launder [9]).ie.

$$-\rho \, \overline{u'v'} = \mu_t \, \frac{\partial U}{\partial v} \tag{2}$$

Therefore, a turbulent viscosity term appears in the present model.

Momentum equation:

$$0 = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dz} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r(\upsilon + \upsilon_t) \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \right)$$
 (3)

Jones and Launder [9] presented the turbulence models based on the high and low Reynolds numbers to predict the laminarization. The high Reynolds number k-s model is employed in this study.

Turbulent kinetic energy (k) equation;

$$\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r \left( \frac{\upsilon_t}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial y} \right) + \upsilon_t \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \right)^2 - \varepsilon \tag{4}$$

Turbulent kinetic energy dissipation (ε) equation;

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r \left( \frac{\upsilon_t}{\sigma_s} \right) \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial y} \right) + C_1 \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \upsilon_t \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \right)^2 - C_2 \frac{\varepsilon^2}{k}$$
 (5)

Kinetic turbulent viscosity;

$$v_t = C_\mu \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon} \tag{6}$$

The equations contain five adjustable constants  $C\mu$ ,  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $\sigma_k$ ,  $\sigma_c$ . The standard k- $\epsilon$  model employs values for the constants that are arrived at by comprehensive data fitting for a wide range of turbulent flows (Versteeg and Malalasekera [10]; Singhal and Spalding [11]):

$$C\mu = 0.09$$
,  $C_1 = 1.44$ ,  $C_2 = 1.92$ ,  $\sigma_k = 1.0$ ,  $\sigma_{\epsilon} = 1.3$ 

The boundary conditions at the interface (y = 0) and the center of pipe (r = 0) are given as follows:

$$y = 0: U = -U_{lm}, \quad k = 0, \varepsilon = 0 \tag{7}$$

$$r = 0: \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial k}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial y} = 0$$
 (8)

where U<sub>Im</sub> is the mean velocity of the liquid film obtained from the experiment.

# 3.2 Heat transfer characteristic

The distributions of the temperature of mixture between dry air and water vapor along the upward flow direction is expressed as:

$$U\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r \left( a + \frac{\upsilon_t}{\Pr_t} \right) \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right)$$
 (9)

with a boundary condition;

$$y = 0: T = T_i, \omega_v = \omega_{vx}$$
 (10)

#### 3.3 Mass transfer characteristic

The distributions of the mass fraction of mixture between dry air and water vapor along the upward flow direction is also expressed as:

$$U\frac{\partial \omega_{\nu}}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \left( r \left( D + \frac{\upsilon_{t}}{Sc_{t}} \right) \frac{\partial \omega_{\nu}}{\partial \nu} \right) \tag{11}$$

with a boundary condition;

$$r = 0: \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \omega_{\nu}}{\partial y} = 0 \tag{12}$$

In turbulent flow, there is no universal relationship between the shear stress field and the mean velocity field. Thus, for turbulent flows we are forced to rely on experimental data. The velocity profile for fully developed turbulent flow through a rough pipe from Pao [12] is used in the calculation. The friction factor in his equation is replaced by those obtained from the present experiment. The transport equation for both k and  $\epsilon$  are solved simultaneously with the momentum equation using the finite difference method to determine the kinetic turbulence viscosity, pressure drop, interfacial shear stress and then, friction factor at film/core interface.

#### 4. Results and Discussion

A large number of graphs can be drawn from the result of the study but because of space limitation, only typical results are shown. In the experiment, mean film thicknesses are measured at Z = 30 cm and 170 cm. Average values from both mean film thicknesses for various air and water flow rates are given in Fig. 2. Liquid film mass flow rate in this figure is that per unit width in the spanwise direction. As the water flow rate is increased and the air flow rate held constant, the film thickness increased. It can be also clearly seen the great difference of the mean film thickness between with and without air flow. The mean film thickness at any air flow rate for specific water flow rate is, however, nearly the same.

Figure 3 shows the relationship between the dimensionless turbulent kinetic energy  $(k^+, k/(u_-)^2)$  and dimensionless distance from the interface  $(y^+, yu_-/v)$ . The turbulent kinetic energy goes to zero at the interface. As a result of wavy interface, the turbulent kinetic energy in the region close to the interface, rises monotonically with the distance from the interface to a maximum point and then drop sharply and approach an equilibrium value. Because the amplitude of the film thickness fluctuation increases slightly with the air flow rate, the turbulent kinetic energy near the wall for higher air flow rate is higher that for lower flow rate.

Figure 4 shows a variation of the friction factor with the air Reynolds number for typical test conditions. The friction factor for laminar flow and the Blasius correlation for turbulent flow in smooth pipe are also shown in this figure. The velocity gradient at the interface is much larger for turbulent flow than for laminar flow. This change in velocity profile causes the interfacial shear stress to increase sharply, with the same effect on the friction factor. The friction factor decreases, therefore, gradually along the smooth pipe curve. This figure shows also a comparison of friction factors obtained from the model and the experiments. The agreement of this comparison is not bad on the whole range. As a result from the pipe roughness, experimental friction factors for air single phase flow are found to be higher than those from the Blasius correlation. As the water flow rate is increased, the larger disturbance waves are formed. The friction factors at higher water flow rates seems, therefore, a little bit higher than those at lower ones. It should be noticed that a similar phenomenon can be found in single phase flow in rough walled pipes.

Figure 5 shows the relationship between the mass fraction of water vapor and the air temperature. The saturated line in this figure is based on the saturation vapor pressure of water. A circular point shows the inlet condition of air (dry air and water vapor), and the solid points show the outlet conditions. While the hot water flows down as a film countercurrently with air flow, vaporization will be formed at the interface and water vapor from this vaporization will be added to the existing water vapor. Mass fractions of water vapor at the outlet of the test section are, therefore, higher than those of the inlet and also found to be below the saturation line. When the water temperature is higher, the points approach the saturation line. It corresponds to visual observation that mist (tiny water droplets) hasn't been seen in the experiment. However, if the water temperature is high enough, the water vapor from the vaporization will be condensed in air stream to form mist.

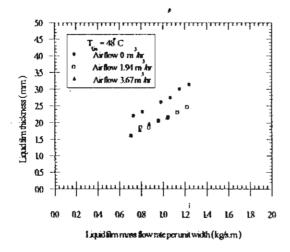
Figure 6 shows the relationship between the Nusselt (Nu) number and the value of RePr<sup>0.4</sup>. Complete heat balance is used to calculate the heat transfer coefficient. The equilibrium conditions of air and water film after passing air through falling hot water film for any interval of time is established by the following energy balance equation:

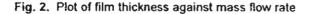
$$hA\Delta T_{ln} + \Delta GC_{p,v}T_{lm} + G_{ln}C_{p,ln}T_{b,ln} = G_{out}C_{p,out}T_{b,out}$$

The first, second, third and fourth term represent heat transferred from the falling water to the air stream, the enthalpy of vapor evaporated from the water film, the enthalpy of the inlet air and the enthalpy of the air leaving the test section respectively. The value of  $\Delta T_{in}$  is the log mean temperature difference between both fluids. The  $T_{im}$  is the mean water temperature at interface. Consider the Nu number, based on a pipe diameter, rearranged in the form, Nu = hd/ $\xi$  and the heat transfer coefficient from the energy balance equation, the following equation is obtained;

$$Nu = \frac{d_i}{\xi} \frac{(G_{out} C_{p,out} T_{b,out} - G_{in} C_{p,in} T_{b,in} - \Delta G C_{p,v} T_{im})}{(\Delta T)_{ln} \pi d_i L}$$

The latent heat of vaporization is not included because, in this paper, the Nu number is defined for the sensible heat transfer. The figure also shows the effect of the upward air flow on the heat transfer coefficient. At the specific water temperature, the Nu number (or the heat transfer coefficient) increases with increases of the air flow rate. The solid line is the Nu number calculated from Dittus-Boelter equation for fully developed turbulent flow in smooth tubes; Nu =  $0.023 Re^{0.8} Pr^{0.4}$ . There is a good agreement with respect to the tendency. The discrepancy are due to the wave formed at the interface and variation of the water temperature along the pipe. Figure 7 shows the relationship between an average temperature ratio and the dimensionless distance from the interface, at z = 1 m. At the same inlet water flow rate and temperature, the increase in air flow rate causes higher fluctuation of the film thickness, then higher rate of heat transfer. It corresponds to the results in Fig. 6. The temperature profiles differ, however, slightly from each other.





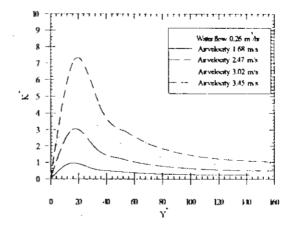


Fig. 3. Fully developed kinetic energy profiles

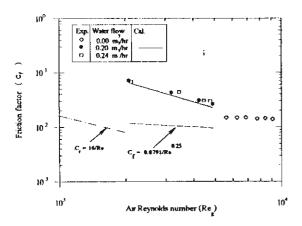


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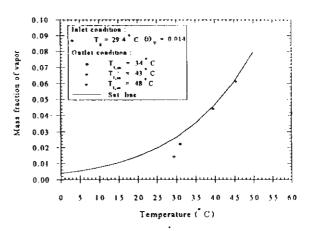


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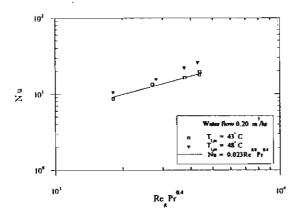


Fig. 6. Plot of Nu against Re<sub>a</sub>Pr<sup>0.4</sup>

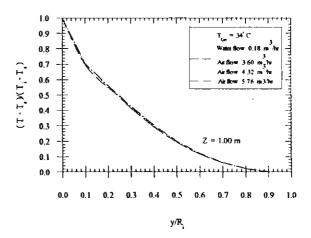


Fig. 7. Fully developed temperature profiles

Mass transfer charácteristics can be discussed in the same way as those of the heat transfer. Consider the Sherwood (Sh) number =  $k_m d/D$  which  $k_m$  is the mass transfer coefficient, D is the mass diffusivity, the mass transfer coefficient substituted in this equation is calculated from the mass balance equation and finally the following equation is obtained;

$$Sh = (1 - \omega_{v_i}) \frac{d_i}{\rho D} \frac{\Delta G}{(\Delta \omega_v)_{\ln} \pi d_i L}$$

The results from Figs. 8 and 9 are closely associated with those from Figs. 6 and 7.

The relationship between the Sh number and the value of Re<sup>0.83</sup> Sc<sup>0.33</sup> is shown in Fig. 8. The similarities between the governing equations for heat, mass, and momentum transfer suggest that empirical correlations for the mass transfer coefficient would be similar to those for the heat transfer coefficient. This turns out to be the case, and some of the empirical relations for mass transfer from a liquid that completely wets the inside of a tube to a turbulent gas that is flowing is given by [13];

$$Sh = 0.023 \,\mathrm{Re}^{0.83} \,\mathrm{Sc}^{0.33}$$

The Sh number at any water flow rate for specific air flow rate and specific water temperature is, however, nearly the same. The solid line in Fig. 8 shows the Sh number calculated from above equation. The Sh number from the experiment is slightly higher than the theoretical value. The difference between them is considered as a result of the wave formed at the interface. The profiles of mass fraction ratio predicted at Z= 1 m are also shown in Fig. 9. At specific water and air flows, the rate of vaporization increases with increases of the water temperature. It should be noted that in the present experiment where mist formation does not occur, the temperature and vapor concentration profiles are almost the same.

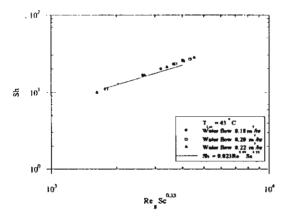


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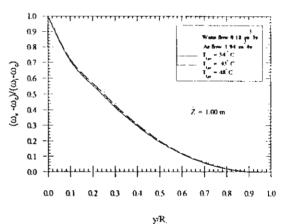


Fig. 9. Fully developed mass fraction profiles

# 5. Conclusions

Experiments have been performed to study the flow, heat and mass transfer characteristics of air-water two-phase countercurrent annular flow in a vertical pipe. A theoretical model has been developed. The model is separated into three parts: a high Reynolds number turbulence model, which the local state of turbulence characteristics compose by the turbulence kinetic energy (k), and its dissipation rate ( $\epsilon$ ); the heat and mass transfer models. The transport equation for both k and  $\epsilon$  are solved simultaneously with the momentum equation to determine the kinetic turbulence viscosity, the pressure drop, interfacial shear stress and then, friction factor at film/core interface. The distribution of temperature and mass fraction of water vapor in gas core are also estimated from the heat and mass balance equations, and the kinetic turbulence viscosity obtained from the former step. The results from the model is in reasonable agreement with experimental results. It is found that the interface is often wavy in nature and the influence of the interfacial wave is of significance on the momentum, heat and mass transfer characteristics.

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#### Appendix A: Nomenclature

a	thermal diffusivity, m <sup>2</sup> /s	Α	heat transfer area, m <sup>2</sup>
C <sub>1</sub> , C	and C <sub>µ</sub> constant in Eqs.(5) and (6)	$C_P$	specific heat, J/kg ok
$C_{r}$	friction factor	d	pipe diameter, m
$\mathbf{d}_{i}$	diameter of gas core, m	D	mass diffusivity, m <sup>2</sup> /s
G	mass flow rate, kg/s	h	heat transfer coefficient, W/m <sup>2</sup> C
k	turbulent kinetic energy, m <sup>2</sup> /s <sup>2</sup>	k	dimensionless turbulent kinetic energy
k <sub>m</sub>	mass transfer coefficient, m/s	L	pipe length, m
Nu	Nusselt number	Р	pressure, N/m <sup>2</sup>
Pr	Prandtl number	r	radial distance coordinate, m
Re	Reynolds number	Sc	Schmidt number
$R_i$	distance from the pipe centerline to the inte	rface,	m .
Sh	Sherwood number	t	time

Т	temperature, C	U	mean velocity, m/s
u.	friction velocity, m/s $(=(\tau_i/\rho)^{1/2})$	u',v'	fluctuating components of velocity, m/s
$\overline{u'v'}$	time average of the product of $u'$ and $v'$	у	distance from the air-water interface, m
٧,	dimensionless distance (= $yu_*/v$ )	Z	distance from the bottom of the test section,m

# Greek Symbols

ρ	density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>	$\sigma_k$ , $\sigma_\epsilon$ constant in Eqs. (4) and (5)
τ	shear stress, N/m <sup>2</sup>	υ kinematic viscosity, m²/s
μ	dynamic viscosity, kg/sm	turbulent kinetic energy dissipation, m²/s³
Δ	difference	ω mass fraction
٤	thermal conductivity, W/mC	

# Subscripts

b	bulk	С	value at the centerline of the pipe
g	air -	i	interface
in	inlet	l	liquid
In	log mean difference	m	mean value
out	outlet	t	turbulent
٧	water vapor	vs	saturated vapor

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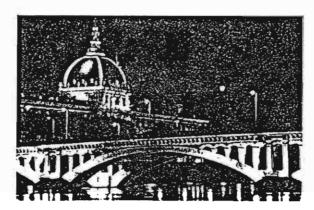
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# EXPERIMENTAL AND THEORETICAL INVESTIGATION OF COUNTERCURRENT FLOW LIMITATION IN INCLINED PIPES

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#### Abstract

Experimental and theoretical results of the countercurrent flow limitation (CCFL) for air and water in inclined pipes are investigated. Water is introduced at the top of the test section while air is injected at the bottom countercurrently. The water flow rate is fixed while the air flow rate is slowly increased, until the CCFL is reached. The curves of CCFL are built and shown as a function of the dimensionless superficial velocity. The influences of the inclination angles and upper end conditions on CCFL are also discussed. A mathematical model of Barnea et al. is modified to predict the CCFL. Flooding curves calculated by this model are compared with present experimental data. The predictions of the CCFL made with the model compare favorably with experimental data in the case of upper open end at smaller inclination angles, especially for a higher water flow rate.

Key Words: Two-Phase Flow, Countercurrent Flow Limitation, Onset of Flooding, Inclined Pipe

# 1. Introduction

Countercurrent flow limitation (CCFL) or the onset of flooding refers to the limiting condition at which the flow rates of both the gas and the liquid phase cannot be increased further. A further increase will cause the liquid to be carried by the gas (Fig. 1). This is a subject of engineering interest, particularly in the nuclear power plants safety. During a postulated loss of coolant accident (LOCA) caused by a damage at any position of the primary recirculation loops, the generated steam from pressurized water reactor (PWR) will flow upward through piping system countercurrent to the flow of emergency core cooling (ECC) water. In another case, the condensate will flow back to the PWR against the steam flow from the upper plenum. This emergency core cooling is limited by the flooding phenomena. The stability of this countercurrent flow is a matter of concern and should be fully determined.

Many studies have been carried out, both experimentally and analytically on CCFL, mostly in vertical pipes (Tien et al. [1], Bankoff et al. [2], Ragland et al. [3], H.C. No. et al. [4], Koizumi et al. [5], Jayanti et al. [6]). The CCFL in an inclined pipe has received comparatively very little attention in the literature. Some of the earliest work was performed by Barnea et. al. [7] with particular attention on the effect of the water inlet sections. Two types of water inlet sections, an inner tube section and a porous section, were used in the experiments. Data on flooding were collected and predictive models for calculating the flooding conditions were proposed. Celata et. al. [8,9,10] evaluated the influence of slight deviations from the vertical position on the flooding parameters in a circular pipe, with and without obstructions respectively. An improvement on the Barnea et. al. model for the prediction of the onset of flooding in inclined pipes was proposed. Kawaji et al. [11] investigated the flooding mechanisms in vertical-to-inclined pipes with inclinations of 22.5°, 45° and 67.5° from the horizontal. They found that flooding gas velocities were much greater compared to those in a vertical-to-horizontal pipe. Geweke et.al. [12] investigated the influence of pipe diameter and the inclination anglé on the flooding limit. Angles of 5° to 50° from the horizontal were chosen. A new calculation procedure based upon a two-fluid model was developed. Recently Ghiaasiaan et al. [13] have

presented the hydrodynamic characteristics of countercurrent two-phase flow in vertical and inclined channels. Effects of liquid properties have been investigated.

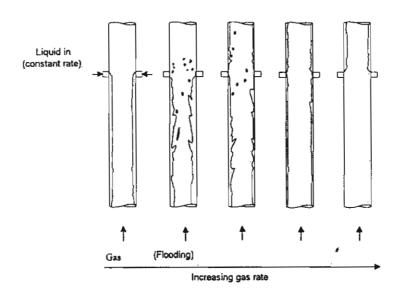


Figure 1. Flow pattern transitions in vertical countercurrent flow

Relatively little information is currently available on the CCFL or flooding phenomena in inclined circular pipes. In the present study, the experimental results of the CCFL of air and water in inclined circular pipes are obtained, the effects of the inclination angles from the horizontal and those of the upper end conditions of the test section on the CCFL are investigated. A mathematical model is also presented to predict the CCFL.

# 2. Experimental Apparatus and Method

A schematic diagram of the test facility is shown in Fig. 2. The main components of the system consist of the test section, an air supply, a water supply and instrumentation. The test section, with an inside diameter of 29 mm the length of 3.50 m is constructed from transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The connections of the piping system are designed such that the component part can be changed very easily. Water is pumped from the storage tank through a rotameter, to the water inlet section and hence flows back to the storage tank. The water inlet section is constructed from two concentric tubes, the inner tube being the test section or sinter which is radially drilled with 350 holes of 1 mm diameter. The inner tube of the sinter is also covered with a fine wire mesh to distribute the water smoothly along the inclined pipe.

The water in the inlet section flows downwards to the storage tank while the air flows countercurrently. The level of water in the water outlet section is kept constant, and the excess water is returned to the storage tank. Two types of upper end conditions (open and closed) (see Fig. 2) are used in the experiments. Air is supplied to the test section by a blower and the air flow is controlled by a valve at the outlet of a blower. The inlet flow rate of air is measured by means of an orifice and micromanometer, and the inlet flow rate of water is measured by three sets of rotameter within the range of 0-4.8  $\,\mathrm{m}^3/\mathrm{h}$ . The temperatures of air and water are measured by thermocouples ( $\pm$  0.5%). The two phase pressure drop between the test section is measured by a digital manometer within resolution of 0.1 Pa.

Experiments are conducted at various air and water flow rates, at varying inclination angles from the horizontal  $(\beta)$  and a variety of upper end conditions. In the experiments the air flow rate is increased by small increments while the water flow rate is kept constant at a preselected value. After each change in the inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates are recorded. The experiments are continued until the onset of flooding is observed.

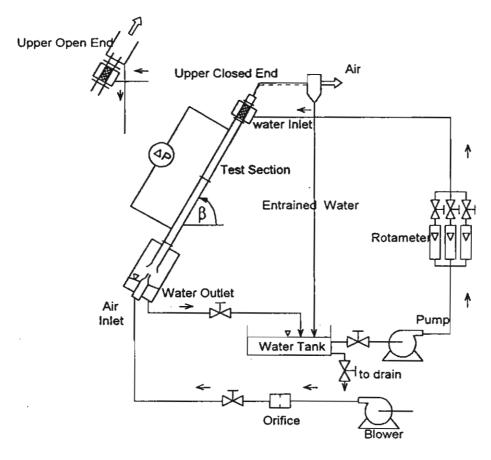


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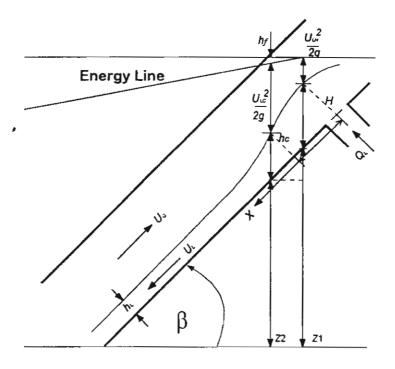


Figure 3. Local disturbance at the water inlet section

# 3. Analytical Model

For comparison with the experimental results, the theoretical flooding curves will be derived to show the curves as functions of the gas and liquid superficial velocities. Barnea et al. [7] presented a model based on a local disturbance generated at the liquid entrance. The model will be modified for this study. The flow phenomenon which is used as the basis for the calculation is shown in Fig. 3. Water is ejected through the water inlet section in the radial direction. The water film thickness at this position, therefore, increases and the air passage is restricted. Because the water flow along the inclined pipe is accelerated by gravity, the film thickness is gradually decreased until an equilibrium film thickness is reached. The reduction of the cross sectional area of air flow caused by large film thickness at the water inlet section creates higher air flow in the vicinity of this position and lead to the blowing up of the wave crests. At first, consider the specific energy which is defined as the energy of the fluid referred to the bottom of the channel as the datum. The specific energy, E at any section is given by

$$E = y + \frac{(Q/A)^2}{2g}$$

If the specific energy equation is differentiated and set equal to zero, critical velocity is obtained; then

$$\frac{dE}{dy} = 1 - \frac{Q^2}{gA^3} \frac{dA}{dy} = 0$$

$$U_C = \left(\frac{gA}{S_i}\right)^{1/2}$$

Because the pipe is inclined, the above equation is, therefore, modified to

$$U_C = \left(\frac{gA_L}{S_i\cos(\beta)}\right)^{1/2}$$
 which 
$$S_i = D\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{2h_C}{D} - 1\right)^2}$$

The values of A<sub>L</sub> and S<sub>i</sub> at the critical position are determined by assuming the critical level (h<sub>c</sub>).

Taitel and Dukler [14] considered growth of a solitary wave in stratified flow and suggested the following slugging criterion:

$$U_G > \left(1 - \frac{h_L}{D}\right) \left[ \frac{\left(\rho_L - \rho_G\right) g \cos(\beta) A_G}{\rho_G \frac{d A_L}{d h_L}} \right]^{1/2}$$

The above criterion is used to determine the gas velocity at the oneset of flooding. The liquid level h<sub>L</sub> in the criterion is replaced by the water level at inlet section, H. The value of H is calculated from the modified Bernoulli's equation which is taken between the inlet of the test section and the critical position as follows:

$$\frac{H}{\cos \beta} + Z_1 + \frac{P_H}{\rho g} + \frac{\alpha U_H^2}{2 g} = \frac{h_C}{\cos \beta} + Z_2 + \frac{P_C}{\rho g} + \frac{\alpha U_C^2}{2 g} + h_{fc}$$

The present flooding curves show the relationship between the square root of the dimensionless superficial velocity of water  $(j_L^*)^{1/2}$  with the square root of the dimensionless superficial velocity of air  $(j_G^*)^{1/2}$ . The variables  $j_L^*$ ,  $j_G^*$  are defined by

$$j_k^* = j_k \left[ \frac{\rho_k}{(\rho_L - \rho_G)gD} \right]^{1/2}, \qquad j_k = \frac{U_k A_k}{A}$$

where  $j_k$  and  $\rho_k$  denote the superficial velocity and density, respectively, of phase k; g is the gravitational acceleration; and D is the pipe diameter.

# 4. Results and Discussion

The CCFL is determined by keeping the injected water flow rates constant, while the air flow rate is increased in small increments up to the onset of flooding. Flooding is observed visually in conjuction with the pressure drop. For small air flow rates, the water flows downward from the water inlet section through the test section to the storage tank. In this case the superficial velocities of the water phase at the water inlet and water outlet section are equal. As the air flow rate is gradually increased, the pressure drop of two-phase flow increases slightly. At the onset of flooding, due to instabilities at the interface, slugging occurs and the pressure drop suddenly increases. The slugs carry a fraction of the injected water to the upper end section; the water flow at the water outlet section is thus smaller, and afterwards the pressure drop decreases.

Typical flooding curves connecting all points of the onset of flooding are shown in Figs. 4 to 9. At specific experimental conditions the onset of flooding is found to depend on the inlet feed water flow rate. The air flow rate creating the onset of flooding decreases as the water flow rate increases. The effect of the inclination angle is shown in Fig. 4. In the case of an upper open end and larger inclination angles, the water flows along inclined pipes are accelerated by gravity and tended to depress the growth of unstable waves. A greater air flow rate is, therefore, required to cause flooding. The effect of inclination angles is closely related to the condition of the upper end. For an upper closed end condition, the onset of flooding is nearly the same for all inclination angles. This means that the flooding points of the open system and the closed system become more distinct as the inclination angle is decreased. ( Figs. 5 to 9). The results are also compared with those from Barnea et.al. [7], D = 51 mm and Celata et.al. [8,9], D = 20 mm and shown in Figs. 7 to 9. The data points from Barnea et.al. [7] are taken from a log-log plot, thus causing some uncertainties. Only some points are, therefore, shown in the figures. However the results from Barnea et.al. correlate quite well with those of this study in the case of an upper closed end system.

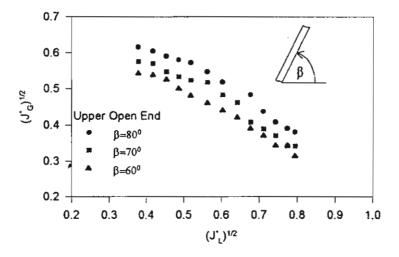


Figure 4. Effect of inclination angle  $(\beta)$  on flooding

The results obtained from the calculation using the methods described above are also shown in Figs. 4-9. The agreement of the present model with the experimental data is satisfactory for smaller inclination angles, especially for higher water flow rates. That is reasonable. At higher water flow rates, the radial velocity of the water entering at the water inlet section increases. The water film thickness increases, and the air flow is accerelated. In the case of higher inclination angles, the prediction fails, because of a change in the flooding mechanism. Due to the effect of gravity, the axial velocity of water from the water inlet increases and the local disturbance at the water inlet decreases. In this case, flooding is formed due to an instability of interfaces somewhere along the pipe.

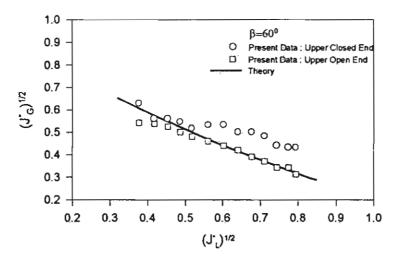


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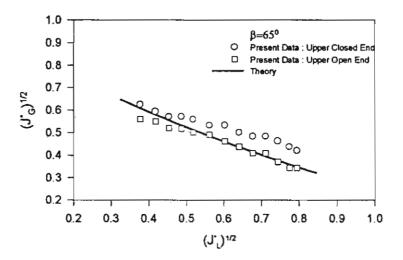


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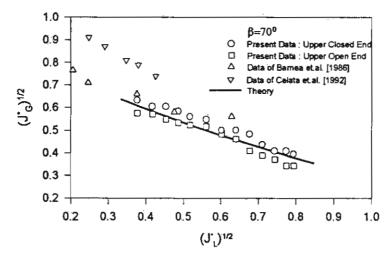


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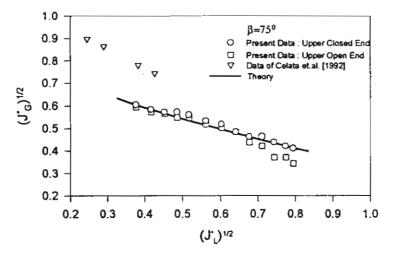


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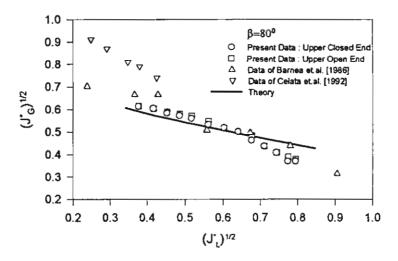


Figure 9. Effect of upper end condition on flooding for the inclination angle ( $\beta$ ) =  $80^{\circ}$ 

#### 5. Conclusions

Experiments are performed to determine the countercurrent flow limitation (or onset of flooding). Water is ejected through the test section while air flows countercurrently and the phenomena is visually observed. The general flooding points depend on the water feed rate. The air flow rate which causes the onset of flooding decreases while the water flow rate increases. The influence of the inclination angle and upper end conditions is of significance for the onset of flooding. For an upper-open end system, with decreasing inclination angles, the flooding curves shift to lower gas velocities. For an upper-closed end system, the onset of flooding is nearly the same for all inclination angles. The difference of flooding points between two types of upper end conditions become large when the inclination angle is decreased. The predictions of CCFL are in favorable agreement with experimental data in the case of upper open end and smaller inclination angles, especially at a higher water flow rate.

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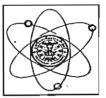
# Nomenclature

Α	cross-sectional area of the flow, m <sup>2</sup>	D	pipe diameter, m
E	specific energy, m	g	gravitational acceleration, m/s <sup>2</sup>
ħ	water level, m	$h_f$	friction head, m
Н	water level at the entrance, m	j	superficial velocity, m/s
j*	dimensionless superficial velocity	P	pressure, Pa
Q	flow rate, m <sup>3</sup> /s	S	perimeter, m
U	velocity, m/s	у	water level, m
Z	elevation (in Fig. 2), m		•
Gree	k Symbols		
Gree β	-	ρ	density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>
	k Symbols inclination angle from the horizontal, deg. pressure drop, Pa	ρα	density, kg/m³ kinetic energy correction factor
β ΔP	inclination angle from the horizontal, deg.	•	•
β ΔP	inclination angle from the horizontal, deg. pressure drop, Pa	•	• • •
β ΔP Subs	inclination angle from the horizontal, deg. pressure drop, Pa	•	kinetic energy correction factor

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## Prediction of Liquid Holdup in Horizontal Stratified Two-Phase Flow

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#### **Abstract**

This paper provides a combined theoretical and experimental investigation into the prediction of hold-up for a stratified two-phase concurrent flow in a horizontal circular pipe. The test section, 10 m long, with an inside diameter 54 mm was made of transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The experiments were carried out under various air and water flow rates in the regime of smooth and wavy stratified flows. Stainless ring electrodes were mounted flush in the tube wall for measuring the liquid hold-up which is defined as the ratio of the cross-sectional area filled with liquid to the total crossectional area of the pipe. Calculation method for predicting the liquid hold-up was developed by using the Taitel and Dukler momentum balance. The ratio of interfacial friction factor and superficial gas-wall friction factor, (f<sub>i</sub>/f<sub>SG</sub>) was assumed to be constant. Hold-up curves calculated by this method are compared with present experimental data and those of other researchers. A ratio of f<sub>i</sub>/f<sub>SG</sub>, which corresponds with the flow conditions, (laminar or turbulent) are presented.

Key Words: Two-Phase Flow, Co-Current Flow, Stratified Flow, Liquid Hold-Up

#### 1. Introduction

Stratified two-phase flow regime is frequently encountered in various chemical and industrial processes; e.g. the flows of steam and water, or oil and natural gas in pipelines etc. One of the main problems in two-phase flow is the calculation to determine the liquid hold-up and pressure loss. Lockhart and Martinelli [1] have developed a procedure for calculating the frictional pressure loss for adiabatic two-phase flow using their data on the horizontal flow of air and water and various other liquids at atmospheric pressure. Their correlations have been applied to all regions of two-phase flow

both by the originators and by several other investigators. Chisholm [2] has developed the Martinelli models in such a way that the original Martinelli curves for the various flow regimes can be fitted quite well by selecting a fixed value of a parameter for each flow regime. Johannessen [3] has developed a theoretical solution of the original Lockhart and Martinelli flow model for calculating two-phase pressure drop and holdup in the stratified and wavy flow region. He has shown that his theoretical solutions of pressure drop and holdup agree much better than those of Lockhart and Martinelli in the separated flow region.

The semi-empirical methods for calculating the two-phase flow pressure drop have been proposed by numerous investigators. Wallis [4] correlation which has been improved further by Hewitt and Hall-Taylor [5] can be used in the annular flow region. Hughmark [6] developed a semi-empirical pressure drop correlation independently which is applicable in slug flow region. Kadambi [7] proposed an analytical procedure to determine the pressure drop and void fraction in two-phase stratified flow between parallel plates.

Most stratified flow models were based on an iterative solution of the two phase momentum balance, but differed in the model of the interfacial shear stress. To solve this problem, Taitel and Dukler [8] made the assumption that the interface was smooth and interfacial friction:

| Grand to the gas-wall friction factor and the gas-wall shear stress was evaluated with the same of the gas wall shear stress.

In another paper (Taitel and Dukler [9]), they demonstrated that the hold up and the dimensionless pressure drop for stratified flow are unique functions of X under the assumption that  $f_G/f_i \cong \text{constant}$ . Kawaji [10] predicted holdup successfully by substituting the ratio of the gas-wall friction factor and the gas interfacial shear stress into the Taitel and Dukler momentum balance.

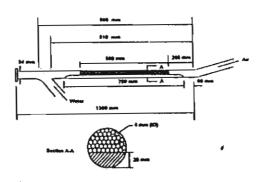
Inaccuracies in previous stratified flow models are found to be a result of the interfacial shear stress used in the model. In the present study, the method for prediction of liquid hold-up will be presented. The method is based on that of Spedding et al. [11,12] and Wongwises [13] where the ratio of the interfacial friction factor and gas-wall friction factor is assumed to be a constant. With this technique a mathematical model of interfacial friction factor is not necessary. The value of the constant depends on whether the phases are in turbulent or laminar flow.

#### 2. Experimental Apparatus and Method

The experimental facility used is shown schematically in Fig 1.The main components of the system consisted of the test section, air supply, water supply, instrumentation, and data acquisition system. The horizontal test section, with an inside diameter of 54 mm and length of 10 m was made of transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. Water was pumped from the storage tank through the rotameter to the water inlet section at the bottom of the pipe. Air was supplied to the test section by a suction-type blower. The air flow could be controlled by a valve at the outlet of the blower. Many small rods were used as guide vanes at the air inlet section to maintain a uniform flow. Both the air and water streams were brought together in a mixer and then passed through the test section concurrently. The inlet flow rate of air was measured by means of a round-type orifice and of water was measured by two sets of rolame.

The temperature of the air and water was measured by thermocouples. Stainless ring electrodes were mounted flush in the tube wall for measuring the liquid hold up. They operate on the principle of the variation of electrical resistance following changes in the water level between two parallel electrode rings. The same description of the calibration procedures for stratified flow can be found in Andreussi [14]. Due to the variation of conductivity caused by temperature change and coating of the electrodes with impurities, the gauges were calibrated before and after each run.

Experiments were conducted with various flow rates of air and water at ambient condition. In the experiments the air flow rate was increased by small increments while the water flow rate was kept constant at a preselected value. After each change in inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates were recorded. The liquid hold-up was registered through the transducers. The flow phenomena was detected by visual observation.



Mixing section

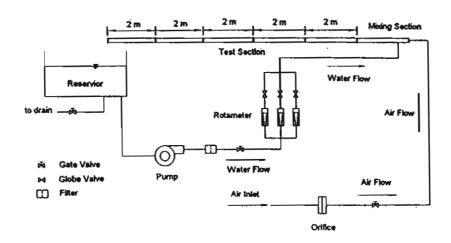


Figure 1. Test facility

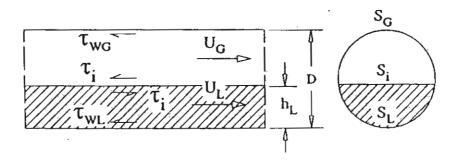


Figure 2. Stratified co-current two-phase flow

#### 3. Mathematical Model

Consider an equilibrium horizontal stratified flow as shown in Fig. 2. A momentum balance on each phase yields:

$$-A_{L}\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right) - \tau_{WL}S_{L} + \tau_{I}S_{I} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$-A_G\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right) - \tau_{WG}S_G - \tau_i S_i = 0 \tag{2}$$

Equating pressure drop in the two phases and assuming that the hydraulic gradient in the liquid is negligible, the following result is obtained;

$$\tau_{WG} \frac{S_G}{A_G} - \tau_{WL} \frac{S_L}{A_L} + \tau_I S_I \left( \frac{1}{A_L} + \frac{1}{A_G} \right) = 0$$
 (3)

The shear stresses are evaluated in a conventional manner

$$\tau_{WL} = f_L \frac{\rho_L u_L^2}{2} \tag{4}$$

$$\tau_{WG} = f_G \frac{\rho_G u_G^2}{2} \tag{5}$$

$$\tau_i = f_i \frac{\rho_G (u_G - u_L)^2}{2} \tag{6}$$

Normally for equilibrium flow  $u_G \ge u_L$  such that  $u_L$  in eq.(6) can be neglected. A widely used method for the correlation of the liquid and gas friction factors is in the form of Blasius equation:

$$f_L = C_L \left(\frac{D_L u_L}{D_L}\right)^{-n} \tag{7}$$

$$f_G = C_G \left(\frac{D_G u_G}{v_G}\right)^{-m} \tag{8}$$

where  $D_L$  and  $D_G$  are the hydraulic diameter evaluated in the manner as suggested by Agrawal et al.[15]. The liquid is visualized as if it was flowing in an open channel.

$$D_L = \frac{4A_L}{S_L} \tag{9}$$

The gas is visualized as flowing in a closed duct and thus

$$D_G = \frac{4A_G}{S_G + S_i} \tag{10}$$

Furthermore, the coefficients C<sub>L</sub>, n, C<sub>G</sub> and m used in Eq. (7) and Eq. (8) are those used by Taitel and Dukler [8] in their co-current studies,

in turbulent flows; 
$$C_G = C_L = 0.046$$
,  $m = n = 0.20$ 

in laminar flows; 
$$C_G = C_L = 16$$
,  $m = n = 1.0$ .

Turbulent or laminar flow conditions in each phase are identified by calculating the Reynolds number for each phase using the superficial velocity and diameter of the pipe, i.e.

$$Re_{SK} = \frac{U_{SK}D}{v_{K}}$$

where K = G, L

Laminar flow is also assumed for superficial Reynold number < 2000.

Substituting  $\tau_{WL}$ ,  $\tau_{WG}$ ,  $\tau_i$  from Eq.(4), Eq.(5) and Eq.(6) into Eq.(3), the following equation is obtained;

$$\frac{f_G \rho_G u_G^2 S_G}{2A_G} - \frac{f_L \rho_L u_L^2 S_L}{2A_L} + \frac{f_i \rho_G u_G^2 S_i}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{A_L} + \frac{1}{A_G} \right] = 0$$
 (11)

In the case of the single phase flow, the pressure gradient is determined from;

$$\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right)_{SG} = \frac{2f_{SG}\rho_G u_{SG}^2}{D} \tag{12}$$

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where 
$$f_{SG} = C_G \left( \frac{Du_{SG}}{v_G} \right)^{-m}$$

Equation (11) is non-dimensionalized by dividing by  $\left(\frac{dP}{dx}\right)_{x=0}$ 

Finally the following equation is obtained;

$$\frac{f_G u_G^2 S_G D}{4 f_{SG} A_G u_{SG}^2} - \frac{f_L \rho_L u_L^2 S_L D}{4 f_{SG} \rho_G A_L u_{SG}^2} + \frac{f_i \rho_G u_G^2 S_i D}{4 f_{SG} \rho_G u_{SG}^2} \left[ \frac{1}{A_L} + \frac{1}{A_G} \right] = 0 \quad (13)$$

or in dimensionless form

$$(\widetilde{u}_{G})^{2} (\widetilde{D}_{G} \widetilde{u}_{G})^{-m} \frac{\widetilde{S}_{G}}{\widetilde{A}_{G}} - \left[ (\widetilde{u}_{L})^{2} (\widetilde{D}_{L} \widetilde{u}_{L})^{-n} \frac{\widetilde{S}_{L}}{\widetilde{A}_{L}} \right] X^{2} + \frac{f_{i}}{f_{SG}} (\widetilde{u}_{G})^{2} \left[ \frac{\widetilde{S}_{i}}{\widetilde{A}_{L}} + \frac{\widetilde{S}_{i}}{\widetilde{A}_{G}} \right] = 0 \quad (14)$$

where  $X^2 = (dP/dx)_{SL}/(dP/dx)_{SG}$  is the ratio of the frictional pressure gradient of the liquid to that of the gas when each phase flows along in the pipe.

$$X^{2} = \frac{\frac{4C_{L}}{D} \left(\frac{u_{SL}D}{v_{L}}\right)^{-n} \frac{\rho_{L}(u_{SL})^{2}}{2}}{\frac{4C_{G}}{D} \left(\frac{u_{SG}D}{v_{G}}\right)^{-m} \frac{\rho_{G}(u_{SG})^{2}}{2}}$$
(15)

X is recognized as the parameter introduced by Lockhart and Martinelli [1] and can be calculated unambiguously with the knowledge of the flow rate, fluid properties and tube

diameter. Liquid hold up can be calculated from  $h_L/D$  which is in the form of  $\widetilde{A}_{G_L}\widetilde{A}_{L_L}$ 

All dimensionless variables with the superscript can be seen from

$$\widetilde{A} = \pi/4,$$

$$\widetilde{A}_L = A_L/D^2,$$

$$\widetilde{S}_L = S_L/D,$$

$$\widetilde{A}_G = A_G/D^2,$$

$$\widetilde{S}_G = S_G/D,$$

$$\widetilde{S}_i = S_i/D,$$

$$\widetilde{D}_L = D_L/D,$$

$$\widetilde{D}_G = D_G/D,$$

$$\widetilde{h}_L = h_L/D$$

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{S}_L &= \pi - \cos^{-1}(2\widetilde{h}_L - 1), \\ \widetilde{S}_G &= \cos^{-1}(2\widetilde{h}_L - 1), \\ \widetilde{S}_i &= \sqrt{1 - (2\widetilde{h}_L - 1)^2}, \\ \widetilde{U}_G &= \frac{\widetilde{A}}{\widetilde{A}_G}, \\ \widetilde{U}_L &= \frac{\widetilde{A}}{\widetilde{A}_L}. \end{split}$$

$$\widetilde{A}_{L} = 0.25 \left[ \pi - \cos^{-1}(2\widetilde{h}_{L} - 1) \right] +$$

$$0.25 \left[ (2\widetilde{h}_{L} - 1)\sqrt{1 - (2\widetilde{h}_{L} - 1)^{2}} \right]$$

$$A_G = 0.25 \left[ \cos^{-1}(2\tilde{h}_L - 1) \right] -$$

$$0.25 \left[ (2\tilde{h}_L - 1)\sqrt{1 - (2\tilde{h}_L - 1)^2} \right]$$

In order to solve Eq.(14) for liquid hold up, gas hold up and pressure drop, an iterative computer program is required. A flow chart of this program is shown in Fig 3.

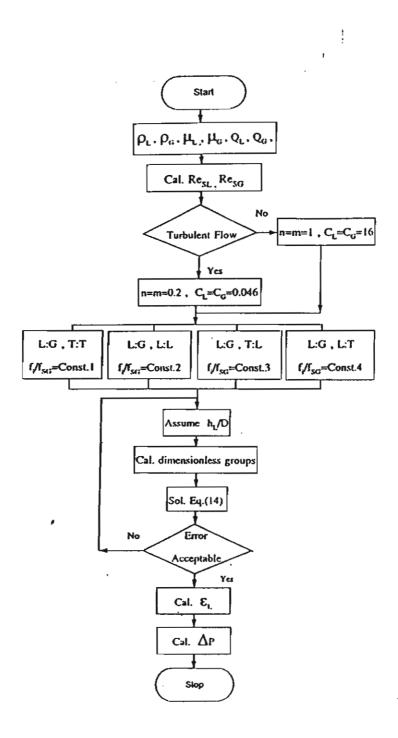


Figure 3. Flow chart for calculation of liquid hold-up and pressure drop

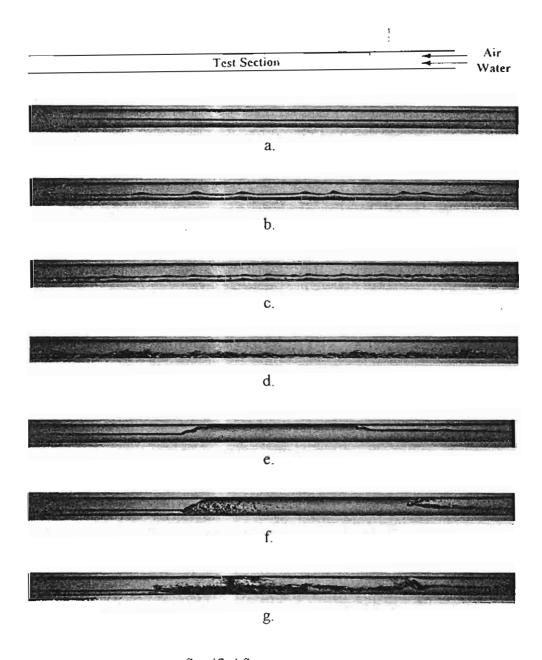
#### 4. Results and Discussion

To handle practical problems, it is necessary to gain a better understanding of flow characteristics. Visual observation shows that different flow patterns may occur with gasliquid cocurrent flow in horizontal pipes. In accordance with results obtained from this experiment, the following flow patterns were obtained:

- a) Stratified flow: The water flows in the lower part of the pipe and the air over it with a smooth interface between the two phases.
- b) Two-dimensional wavy flow: Similar to stratified flow except for a wavy interface, due to a velocity difference between the two phases and two-dimensional steady waves travel with a relatively regular pitch.
- c) Three-dimensional wavy flow: At a higher air flow rate, the water surface is disturbed and three-dimensional waves occur, which have small irregular ripples on the fundamental waves.
- d) Violent wavy flow: The interface is violently disturbed by the air stream. This flow pattern occurs at a relatively high air flow rate.
- e) Plug flow: Air moves along the upperside of the pipe. This flow pattern occurs at a relatively low air flow rate. The interface is smooth and no bubbles are contained in a water plug.
- f) Slug flow: Splashes or slugs of water occasionally pass through the pipe with a higher velocity than the bulk of the water. The tail of water slug is relatively smooth and sometimes contains some small bubbles. The upstream portion of the water slug is similar to the wavy flow, and the downstream portion to the stratified flow or wavy flow.
- g) Pseudo slug flow: The semi-slug is defined as a highly agitated long wave which contains many bubbles. Its upstream and downstream portions are similar to the wavy flow.

The typical photographs of flow patterns are shown in Figure 4. The focus of the study was on the stratified and small wavy flow. Figures 5 and 6 show the relation between the liquid holdup, EL against the Lockhart-Martinelli parameter, X for a laminar liquid-turbulent gas flow in the 0.054 m. diameter pipe and  $Q_L =$  $1.67 \times 10^{-5}$ ,  $6.67 \times 10^{-5}$ .m<sup>3</sup>/s respectively. The values C<sub>G</sub>=C<sub>L</sub>=0.046, n=m=0.2 for turbulent flow and C<sub>G</sub>=C<sub>L</sub>=16,n=m=1.0 for laminar flow are used. The figures show a comparison of the experimental data with the present model where the ratio, f/fsG is assumed. It is found that an agreement of the present model with the experimental data is obtained by using f/fsG = 0.30-1.0. The data obtained by Spedding et al. [11] who tested the model against wavy and stratified flow data from 93.5 and 45.5 mm diameter pipes are compared with the predictions from the present model. Their data points were taken from log scale, thus were a cause of some uncertainties. Their data can be accurately predicted with f<sub>i</sub>/f<sub>SG</sub> = 0.6 for laminar liquid-turbulent gas flow. predicted fiffs are in the recommended range in this work. The scatter of Spedding et al. data for the smaller diameter pipe is much greater than the large diameter.

Figures 7 and 8 show also the relation between EL against X for a turbulent liquidturbulent gas flow for  $Q_L = 8.3 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $1.67 \times 1$ 0<sup>-4</sup>.m<sup>3</sup>/s respectively. They show that the liquid holdup can be accurately predicted by assuming  $f_1/f_{SG} = 2.0-4.0$ . The data shows that the assumption of f/f<sub>SG</sub> = 1.0 overpredicted liquid holdup for the stratified flows. The results correspond to those from Kawaji [10] who predicted holdup successfully by substituting  $f_i/f_{SG} = 3.0$  and also from Spedding et.al.[11] by substituting  $f/f_{SG} = 4$  for turbulent liquidturbulent gas flow into the Taitel and Dukler [8] momentum balance. Their predicted f/fsG are also in the recommended range in this work. However, for Spedding et al. results, a discrepancy is found between the present recommended ratio of f/f<sub>SG</sub> experimental data at greater Lockhart Martinelli Parameter. This is because of a change of interfacial phenomena. The amplitude of the water layer fluctuation increases slightly with



- a. Stratified flow
- b. Two-dimensional wavy flow
- c. Three-dimensional wavy flow
- d. Violent wavy flow
- e. Plug flow
- f. Slug Flow
- g. Pseudo slug flow

Figure 4. Photographs of flow Patterns

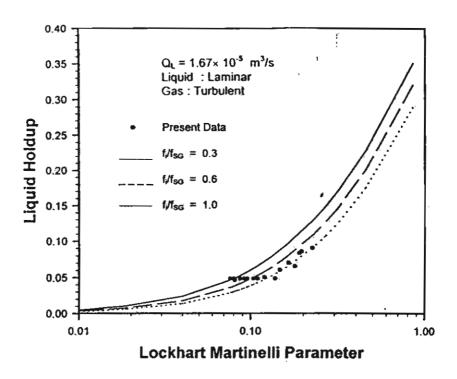


Figure 5. ε<sub>L</sub> against log (X) for Q<sub>L</sub>= 1.67×10<sup>-5</sup> m<sup>3</sup>/s; Liquid-Laminar and Gas-Turbulent

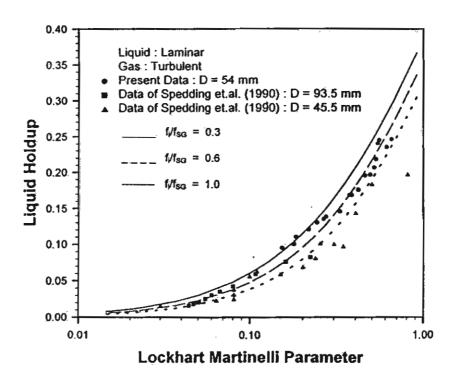


Figure 6. ε<sub>L</sub> against log (X) for Q<sub>L</sub>= 6.67×10<sup>-5</sup> m<sup>3</sup>/s; Liquid-Laminar and Gas-Turbulent

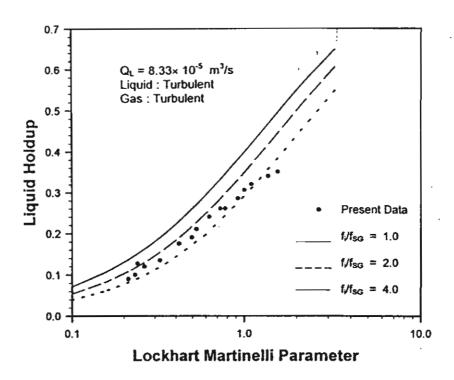


Figure 7.  $\epsilon_L$  against log (X) for  $Q_L = 8.33 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ; Liquid-Turbulent and Gas-Turbulent

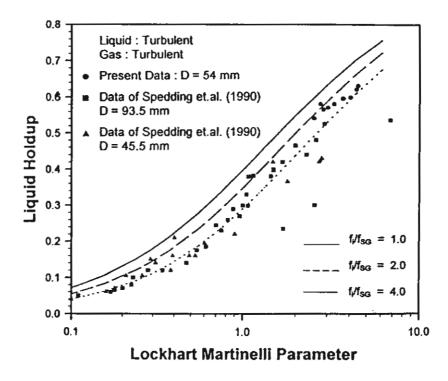


Figure 8.  $\epsilon_L$  against log (X) for  $Q_L = 1.67 \times 10^{-4}$  m<sup>3</sup>/s; Liquid-Turbulent and Gas-Turbulent

air flow. Two-phase pressure drop can be determined further by substituting  $h_L/D$  into Eq. (1) or (2). In this work, the situation when gas flow was laminar, was not considered.

#### 5. Conclusion

This paper presents new data to predict the liquid holdup in horizontal concurrent stratified flow in a circular pipe. It has been demonstrated that the liquid holdup can be predicted by using Taitel and Dukler momentum balance between both phases. The ratio of the friction factor of the gas at the interface and the gas at the pipe wall, fi /fsG is assumed to be constant. The constant depends on the phase being either turbulent or laminar. With this method a model of interfacial friction factor is not necessary. For turbulent liquidturbulent gas flows, the former assumption that  $f_i = f_{SG}$  is shown to give a result which does not agree with the experimental data. Future work should examine the effect of pipe diameter. It may be also worthwhile to study in countercurrent flow for comparison with concurrent flow data.

#### Nomenciature

Α	Crossectional area of pipe, m <sup>2</sup>
$A_G, A_L$	Crossectional area of gas and
	liquid phase, m <sup>2</sup>
$C_G, C_L$	Constant in Eq.(7) and (8)
D	Pipe diameter,m
$D_G$ , $D_L$	Hydraulic diameter of gas and
	liquid phase, m
$f_G, f_L$	Gas-wall and liquid-wall
	friction factor
$f_i$	Interfacial friction factor
$f_{SG}$	Superficial gas-wall friction factor
g	Gravitational acceleration, m/s <sup>2</sup>
h	Liquid height, m
n,m	Constant in Eq.(7) and (8)
P	Pressure, N/m <sup>2</sup>
dP/dx	Two phase pressure gradient, N/m <sup>3</sup>
$(dP/dx)_{SG}$	Pressure gradient of single
	gas phase, N/m <sup>3</sup>
$(dP/dx)_{SL}$	Pressure gradient of single
	liquid phase, N/m <sup>3</sup>
$Q_G$	Volume flow rate of gas,m <sup>3</sup> /s

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$Q_L$	Volume flow rate of liquid,m <sup>3</sup> /s
$Re_G$	Gas phase Reynolds number
$Re_L$	Liquid phase Reynolds number
$Re_{SG}$	Superficial gas phase
	Reynolds number
$Re_{SL}$	Superficial liquid phase
	Reynolds number
$S_G$	Gas phase perimeter,m
$S_L$	Liquid phase perimeter,m
Si	Interfacial Width,m
$U_G$	Average velocity of gas, m/s
$U_L$	Average velocity of liquid, m/s
Usg	Superficial velocity of gas, m/s
$U_{SL}$	Superficial velocity of liquid, m/s
X	Lockhart-Martinelli parameter

#### Greek Symbols

Density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Kinematic viscosity, m <sup>2</sup> /s
Shear stress, N/m <sup>2</sup>
Liquid hold up

#### Subscripts

G	Gas phase
L	Liquid phase
i	Interface
WL	Liquid-wall
WG	Gas-wall
SG	Superficial gas
SL	Superficial liquid

#### Superscripts

dimensionless term

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## FLOW REGIME MAPS FOR THE DEVELOPING STEADY GAS-LIQUID TWO-PHASE FLOW IN A HORIZONTAL PIPE

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#### ABSTRACT

Visual observations of flow patterns for the developing steady air-water two phase flow were obtained in a 54 mm diameter test section with 10 m. long. A flow regime map for the developing two phase flow was developed in the form of two dimensional graph which was separated into area corresponding to various flow patterns. The present flow regime map was compared with those of other researchers. The map will be useful for predicting the flow patterns at given conditions and will be a basis to derive the flow regime maps for the transient conditions.

#### INTRODUCTION

Two-phase gas-liquid flow in horizontal pipe lines has become of greater concern in a wide variety of engineering equipment and process. This type of flow has been encountered extensively in an increasing number of important situations for example in gas-oil pipelines, boiler, chemical and nuclear reactors etc. It is not possible to understand the two-phase flow phenomena without a clear understanding of the flow patterns encountered. It is to be expected that two-phase pressure drop, holdup, system stability, exchange rates of momentum, heat and mass will be influenced by the flow pattern which exists. The ability to predict the type of flow accurately is necessary before the relevant calculation techniques will be developed.

The steady two phase flow can be divided into a fully developed flow and a developing flow. A fully developed flow results when the velocity profile ceases to change in the flow direction. Many studies have been carried out to perform the flow regime maps in horizontal pipes, mostly for fully developed flow. Alves' suggested a map

based on data for air-water and air-oil mixtures utilizing the superficial liquid and gas velocities as the coordinates. The test section used in his investigation consisted of four 18-foot passes of 1.042 inch pipe connected by upward flow return bends. The flow patterns were observed through 18-inch lengths of glass pipe located at the beginning of the first and second passes and at the end of the first and fourth passes. Baker² proposed a flow pattern map based on the data of several researchers. Most of these data are for the air-water system. Baker plotted G/l versus Lly/G, which is equivalent to gas mass velocity, G, versus ratio of liquid to gas velocity, L/G. Here, I and y are fluid property correction factors and are defined as:

$$\lambda = \left[ \left( \frac{\rho_G}{\rho_A} \right) \left( \frac{\rho_L}{\rho_W} \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

and

$$\psi = \frac{\sigma_W}{\sigma} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu_L}{\mu_W} \right) \left( \frac{\rho_W}{\rho_L} \right)^2 \right]^{1/3}$$

which r, s and m represent density, surface tension and viscosity respectively. The subscripts G and L represent the gas and liquid phases, and the subscripts A and W represent the values for air and water at atmospheric conditions (typical 20 °C and atmospheric pressure). The Baker map is still widely used and is presented for reference purposes.

Hoogendorn' investigated flow patterns in smooth 25 meter long test sections which had diameters of 15, 24, 50, 91 and 140 mm. The liquids used were water, spindle oil, gas-oil, and freon-11. Air and freon vapors were the gases used. Gas pressure ranged between 1 and 3 atm and operating temperature was 28 °C. He used the mixture velocity and the input gas volume fraction as coordinates.

More data on flow patterns in horizontal flow have shown that the original map is deficient in representing the effects of various system parameters. These subjects have led to the development of a number of alternative flow maps; for example those produced by Mandhane et al.4 which is probably the most successful. It is, however, impossible to represent all the appropriate transitions in terms of a single set of parameter. This has been recognized by a number of authors and developed later by Taite<sup>1</sup> and Dukler<sup>3</sup>. Weisman et al.4. Barnea<sup>2</sup>, Lin et al.8, Spedding et al.4 have proved successful in predicting a fairly wide range of system conditions.

Flow regime maps for developing steady flows have received comparatively very little attention in the literature. The earliest work was performed by Sakaguchi et al. 10,111 who investigated the developing steady state and transient behavior of airwater two-phase flow in horizontal tubes. The experiment was carried out in the different test sections. It was found that the flow pattern transitions occur at lower flow rates (both liquid and gas flow rates) in transient condition than in steady condition. Wong et. al. 12 studied the flow patterns transition in two-phase gas liquid flow and proposed a set of standardised flow pattern terminology through experimental observation.

In the present study, the main concern is to clarify the characteristics of the flow patterns and perform the flow regime maps for the developing steady flow.

#### EXPERIMENTAL APPARATUS AND METHOD

A schematic diagram of the test facility is given in Fig 1. Air and water were used as the working fluids. The main components of the system consisted of the test

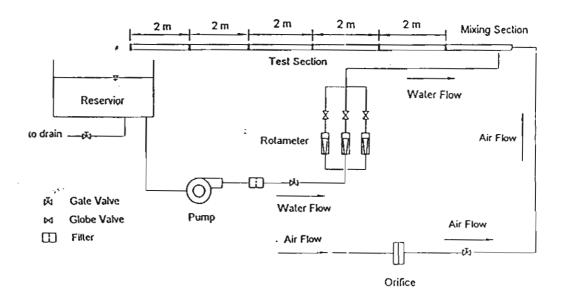


Figure 1. Schematic diagram of experimental apparatus

section, air supply, water supply. A horizontal test section, with an inside diameter of 54 mm and length of 10 m were made of transparent acrylic glass to permit visual observation of the flow patterns. The connections of the piping system were designed such that parts could be changed very easily. Water was pumped from the storage tank through the rotameter to the water inlet section. Air was supplied to the test section through an air inlet section which was constructed of a lot of small diameter tubes with 4 mm, inside diameter (Fig. 2) to maintain a uniform flow. Both the air and water streams were brought together in a mixer and then passed through the test section cocurrently. The inlet flow rate of air was measured by means of a round-type orifice and that of water was measured by three sets of rotameters. Experiments were conducted with various flow rates of air and water to perform the flow regime maps for the developing steady flows. The air flow rate was increased by small increments while the water flow rate was kept constant at preselected value. After each change in inlet air flow rate, both the air and water flow rates were recorded. The process of each flow pattern formations were detected. in detail by visual observation, video recorder and high speed camera.

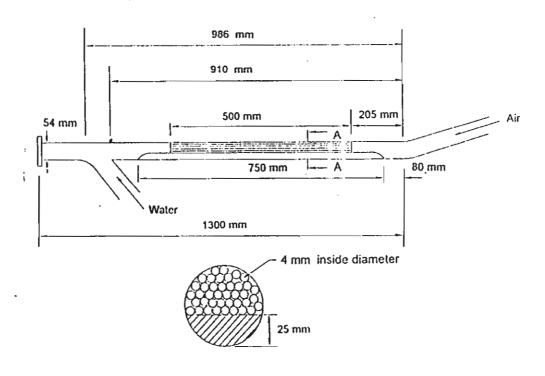


Figure 2. Schematic diagram of mixing section

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#### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Visual observation shows that different flow patterns may occur with gas-liquid cocurrent flow in horizontal pipes. The typical photographs of flow patterns in accordance with results obtained between 2 to 4 m. from the outlet of the test section are shown in Fig.3. Description of each flow patterns are defined as follow:

#### a. Stratified flow:

The water flows in the lower part of the pipe and the air flows over it with a smooth interface between both phases (Fig. 3a).

#### b. Two-dimensional wavy flow:

Similar to stratified flow except for a wavy interface. Due to a velocity difference between the two phases, two-dimensional steady waves occur and move with a relatively regular pitch (Fig. 3b).

#### c. Three-dimensional wavy flow:

In a higher air flow rate, water surface are stronger disturbed and threedimensional waves which have small irregular ripples on the fundamental waves occur. There is still no bubbles in the water phase (Fig. 3c).

#### d. Violent wavy flow:

The interface is violently disturbed by the air stream. This flow pattern occurs at a relatively very high air flow rate (Fig. 3d.).

#### e. Plug flow!

This flow pattern occurs at a relatively lower air flow rate but higher water flow rate. Air moves along the upperside of the pipe, without any shearing of water from wave crest. The interface is smooth and no bubbles are contained in a water plug (Fig. 3e).

#### f. Slug flow:

At a certain air flow rate, the air-water interface become more wavy and unstable. Wave with higher amplitude grow up and blocks the whole pipe section and is then pushed strongly by the air with very high velocity. Water slugs contain some small bubbles and occasionally pass through the pipe with a higher velocity than the bulk of the water (Fig. 3f).

#### g. Pscudo slug flow:

An initial formation of pseudo slug is similar to that of slug flow. Higher

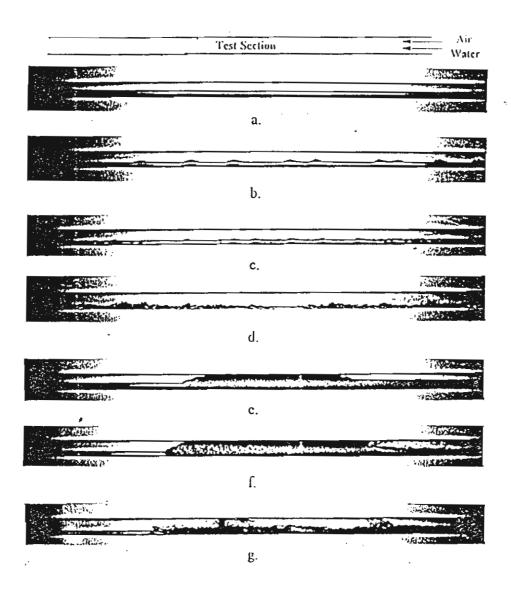


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g. Pseudo slug flow

a. Stratified flow:

b. Two-dimensional wavy flow:

c. Three-dimensional wavy flow:

d. Violent wavy flow:

amplitudes of waves decrease the flow path. Air with higher velocities near the crest wave lead to the blowing up of the wave crests, which later break up into droplets and splash up (Fig. 3g).

#### h. Pseudo slug + annular flow:

An information of the pseudo slug + annular flow is similar to that of the pseudo slug flow, except some water appears on the inner pipe wall as a thin film.

It is quite difficult to see the thin film of water in the pseudo slug + annular flow from the photograph. It is, therefore, not shown in the figure. The definitions of two and three dimensional wavy flows and the violent wavy flow have been also proposed by Sakaguchi et. al. <sup>10,11</sup>.

The usual method in the presentation of flow pattern data is to classify the flow pattern by visual observation and plot the data as a flow regime map in terms of system parameters. Parameters that are commonly used are the phase superficial velocities. A flow regime map obtained in the present study for pipe diameter 54 mm is presented in Fig. 4. The subscripts L and G refer to the water and air respectively, the subscript o designates "superficial" or the situation where the designated phase flows alone in the pipe. Both superficial velocities, V<sub>co.</sub> and V<sub>co.</sub> refer to average ambient conditions (1.013 bar, 30°C). The flow regime map is valid in the range of 0.5 to 7 m/s for  $V_{co}$  and 0.02 to 0.26 m/s for  $V_{to}$ . The cross hatched area represent the regions in which the transition from one flow to another occurs. The present flow regime map is also compared with that of Sakaguchi et. al. 10 for pipe diameter 30 mm. (Fig. 5). Some experimental results agree qualitatively. Some part of the transition lines between the stratified and the wavy flow, and the wavy and the slug flow, and the plug and the slug flow agree with Sakaguchi's boundary. The plug flow region is larger while the slug flow region is smaller than those from Sakaguchi's map. In the present map, the region of the pseudo slug flow is largest. The present regime map is also compared with that of Wong et al. 17 for pipe diameter 25.4 mm, and shown in Fig. 6. The data points from Wong et. al.12 are taken from a log-log flow regime map, thus cause of some uncertainties. The transition line between plug and slug flows patterns agree very good with that between plug and plug-slug flows in Wong's map. The cause of shift of boundary is due to Wong et. al.12 demarcated the region between plug and slug flows in three regions; plug, plug-slug, and slug flow. The stratified flow and region of pseudo slug flow is smaller than that of Wong et. al. 12. The region of pseudo slug from both are very good agree qualitatively. Violent wavy flow region cover the region of roll wave in Wong's map. The discrepancies from comparisons with other investigations depend mainly on the identification of flow pattern according to their definitions.

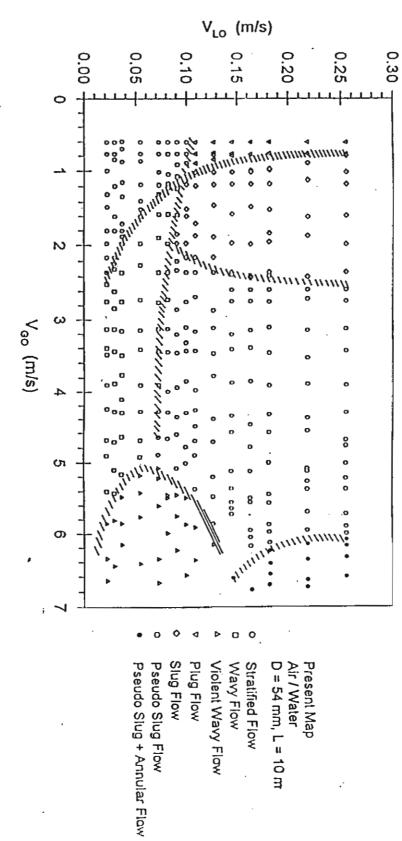


Figure 4. Typical flow regime map for the steady flow conditions

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Figure 5. Comparison of the present map with the Sakaguchi's map

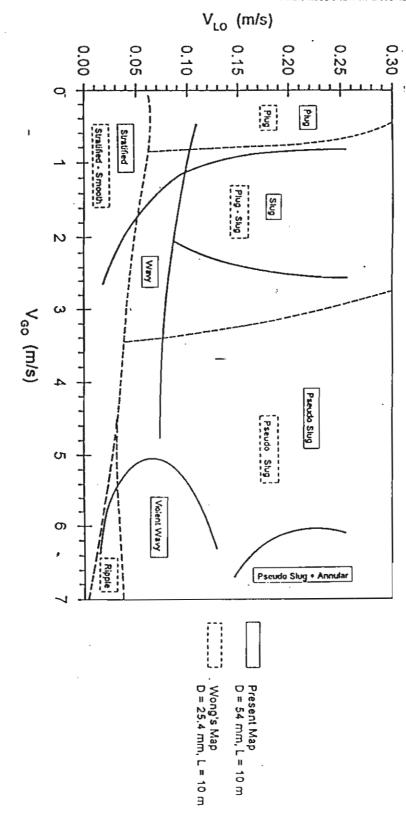


Figure 6. Comparison of the present map with the Wong's map

geometries of pipe and the conditions of inlet and outlet sections (see Bendiksen et. al.<sup>D</sup>). However, the results agree qualitatively, in general.

#### CONCLUSION

This paper presents new data to clarify the flow patterns of developing steady flow. Air flow is slowly increased while the water flow is fixed. The flow phenomena which are stratified, two-dimensional wavy, three-dimensional wavy, violent wavy, plug, slug, pseudo slug and pseudo slug + annular flows are observed and recorded by high speed camera. The flow regime maps have been presented as functions of the superficial velocity of both phases and are compared with other flow regime maps. These maps are useful to predict the flow pattern for developing flow at steady conditions in various flow systems and can be used as the basis information to perform the transient flow regime maps. The results will be very important for the further development to analyse the behavior of flow instability in a two phase flow system for example the burnout phenomena in oscillating flow, initiation of water hammer in horizontal pipes due to increasing condensation heat transfer and steam velocity caused by a local change of heat transfer to the system.

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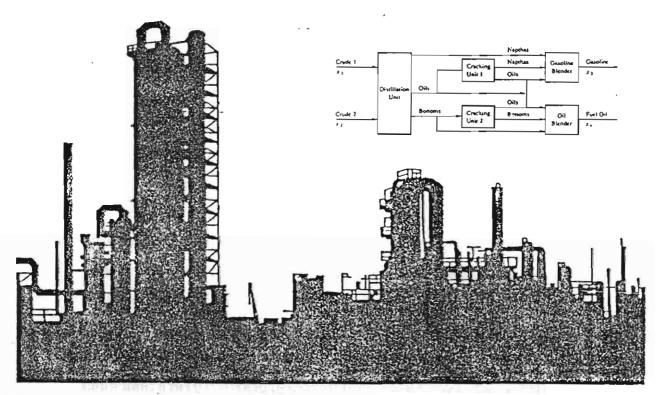
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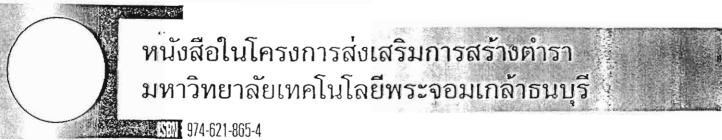
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หนังสือเล่มนี้แบ่งอย่างกว้างๆ ได้เป็นสองส่วนคือ ส่วนที่ว่าด้วยการออกแบบ (Design) และส่วนที่ ว่าด้วยการหาสภาพที่เหมาะสมที่สุด (Optimization) โดยจะมีทั้งหมด 12 บท ตั้งแต่บทที่ 1 ถึงบทที่ 6 จะเป็นการปู่พื้นความรู้ด้านต่าง ๆ ไม่ว่าจะเป็นหลักการในการออกแบบซึ่งจะเน้นเฉพาะการออกแบบ ระบบทางความร้อน และ การกล่าวถึง เศรษฐสาสตร์ ซึ่งถือเป็นปัจจัยที่สำคัญที่สุดในความเป็นจริงทาง ธุรกิจ รวมไปถึงการศึกษาระบบอุปกรณ์พื้นฐานในทางความร้อนที่ต้องพบเสมอในอุตสาหกรรม อาทิ เช่น อุปกรณ์แลกเปลี่ยนความร้อน (Heat Exchanger) เครื่องจักรกลเทอร์โบ (Turbomachinery) เนื้อหา ในบทที่ 7 ถึงบทที่ 12 จะเป็นการนำความรู้พื้นฐานทางวิสวกรรมเครื่องกล โดยเฉพาะอย่างยิ่ง เทอร์โม ไดนามิก กลศาสตร์ของไหล และการถ่ายเทความร้อนและมวล เข้ามาประกอบกันแล้วใช้เทคนิดต่าง ๆ ในการหาสภาพที่เหมาะสมที่สุด มาช่วยในการออกแบบโดยมีเกณฑ์ซึ่งโดยทั่วไปคือ เงื่อนไขทาง เสรษฐสาสตร์เป็นตัวตัดสิน

เนื่องจากเป็นการประยุกต์วิชาการต่าง ๆ เข้าด้วยกันและมีตัวอย่างตลอดจนแบบฝึกหัดของการนำ ไปใช้งานจริง จึงหวังเป็นอย่างยิ่งว่า หนังสือเล่มนี้คงจะสร้างภาพให้นักศึกษาซึ่งกำลังจะจบเป็นวิสวกร ได้เห็นแนวทางในการนำวิชาการความรู้ต่าง ๆ มาผสมผสานกันอย่างมีเหตุมีผลแล้วนำไปออกแบบ สร้างระบบได้อย่างมีประสิทธิภาพ และ เนื่องจากปัญหาในการหาสภาพที่เหมาะสมที่สุดในสถานการณ์ จริงอาจเป็นปัญหาที่ซับซ้อนประกอบไปด้วยสมการและตัวแปรต่างๆมากมาย การคำนวณธรรมดาเพื่อ หาคำตอบในเวลาอันสั้นดังเช่นในห้องเรียนย่อมเป็นไปม่ได้ ผู้เขียนจึงได้รวบรวมโปรแกรม คอมพิวเตอร์สำหรับในการคำนวณบางวิธีไว้ในภาคผนวกโปรแกรมดังกล่าวได้รับการตรวจสอบว่าใช้ งานได้ ดังนั้นจึงเหมาะสำหรับวิสวกรหรือผู้ที่เกี่ยวข้องสามารถนำไปประยุกต์ใช้กับงานที่กำลังแก้ ปัญหาอยู่ และเนื่องจากการจำกัดด้วยจำนวนหน้าผู้เขียนไม่สามารถรวบรวมโปรแกรมคอมพิวเตอร์สำหรับการหาสภาพที่เหมาะสมที่สุดทุกวิธีไว้ในหนังสือเล่มนี้ดังที่ตั้งใจไว้แต่แรกแต่ก็ได้แสดงแผนภูมิ สายงาน (Flow Chart) แสดงขั้นตอนการคำนวณของเกือบทุกวิธีไว้ซึ่งง่ายในการทำความเข้าใจ ผู้สนใจ สามารถเขียนโปรแกรมคำนวณ ได้เองตามแผนภูมิสายงานที่ให้ไว้

ผู้เขียนขอพระคุณ ศ.คร.นักสิทธิ์ คูวัฒนชัย และ ศ.คร. ปิยะวัฒน์ บุญหลง ที่ได้ให้คำแนะนำสิ่ง ที่เป็นประโยชน์และสิ่งที่ควรแก้ไขจากเล่มที่พิมพ์ในครั้งแรก

ผู้เขียนขอขอบคุณสำนักงานกองทุนสนับสนุนการวิจัย (สกว) เนื่องจากในขณะเขียนหนังสือนี้เป็น ช่วงเวลาเคียวกับที่ผู้เขียนได้รับทุนพัฒนานักวิจัย "เมชีวิจัย สกว." ผู้เขียนสามารถนำเนื้อหาและหลัก การในหนังสือเล่มนี้ไปใช้ประโยชน์ในงานวิจัยในขณะเคียวกันก็สามารถก็เอาประสบการณ์จากงาน วิจัยมาสอดแทรกลงในหนังสือเล่มนี้

ผู้เขียนขอขอบคุณเพื่อนร่วมงานทุกระดับชั้นที่ให้ความช่วยเหลือด้วยดีเสมอมา

คุณความคีของหนังสือเล่มนี้ ผู้เขียนขอมอบแค่ คุณพ่อและคุณแม่ ซึ่งเป็นผู้ที่มีพระคุณอย่างหาที่ เปรียบมิได้ ครูอาจารย์ผู้ประสิทธิ์ประสาทวิชาความรู้แขนงต่างๆ คุณ วีณา วงศ์วิเศษ ซึ่งเป็นภรรยา ของผู้เขียนที่เข้าใจในวิชาชีพตลอดจนให้ความช่วยเหลือ เป็นกำลังใจ และรับผิดชอบครอบครัวและ ลูกๆได้คือย่างไม่มีที่พิ ตลอดช่วงเวลาที่เราได้ใช้ชีวิตร่วมกัน ส่วนความผิดพลาดใด ๆ ที่เกิดจาก หนังสือเล่มนี้ ผู้เขียนขอน้อมรับไว้แต่เพียงผู้เดียว

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This is to acknowledge receipt of your comments on the paper by entitled "Measurement of radon in Mandakini Valley of Garhwal Himalaya". Your comments will truly of great help to the authors in revising their paper.

Thank you.

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