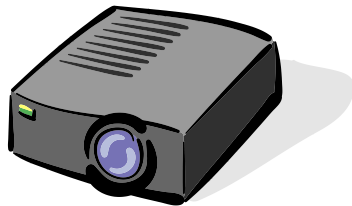


Development and Implementation of 3D High Speed Tomography for Imaging Large-Scale, Cold-Flow Circulated Fluidized Bed

Qussai Marshdeh

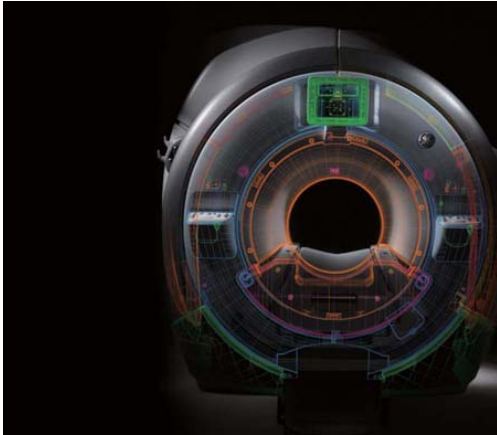
Tech4Imaging LLC
4171 Fairfax Dr.
Columbus, OH 43220



Introduction

- ◆ Electrical Capacitance Volume Tomography (ECVT) is a 3D imaging technique for viewing cold flow processes. It can be applied to hot units too.
- ◆ ECVT is among few know non-invasive imaging tools that can be used for commercial applications (low cost, suitable for scale-up, fast, and safe)
- ◆ Tech4Imaging LLC is a spin-off company from The Ohio State University to develop and commercialize imaging technologies, including ECVT.
- ◆ Tech4Imaging, with DOE support, is developing a complete system of acquisition hardware, sensors, and reconstruction software.

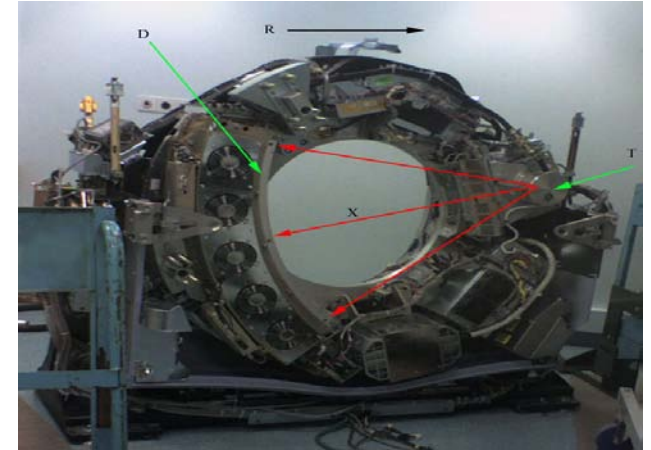
Process Tomography



MRI



PET



X-ray



Electrical Capacitance
Volume tomography
System

Selection of Imaging Technology

- . Safety: To user and to process
- . Cost: fixed and variable
- . Complexity: implementation and operation
- . Speed: rate of capture
- . Flexibility: to different vessel sizes and shapes
- . Resolution: as a percentage of imaged volume

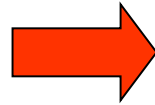
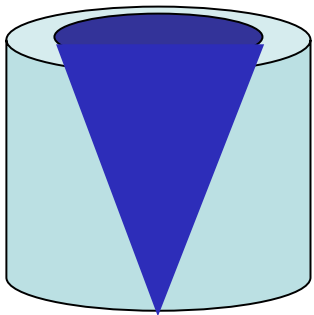
Preface

1. ECVT Technology
2. Verification
3. Jet Example
4. Sensors and Scale up Application
5. Complex geometries
6. Combustion Imaging

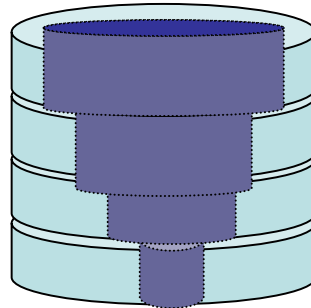
Volume Tomography Concept

Conventional Tomography

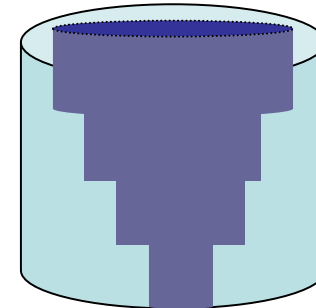
Static object



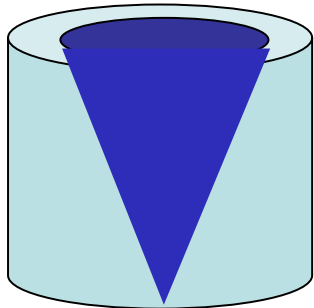
2D Image Reconstruction



Static 3D Reconstruction



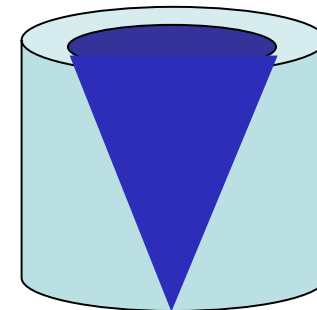
Static/Dynamic 3D object



Volume-Tomography

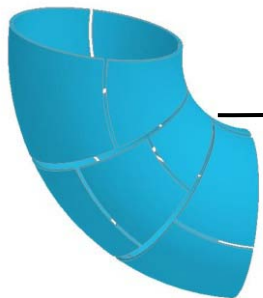
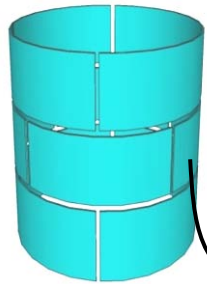
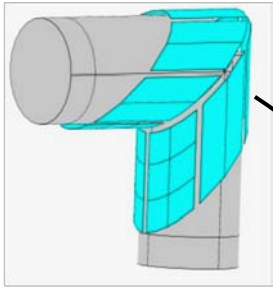
Volume (3D)
Image Reconstruction

Static/Dynamic 3D Reconstruction

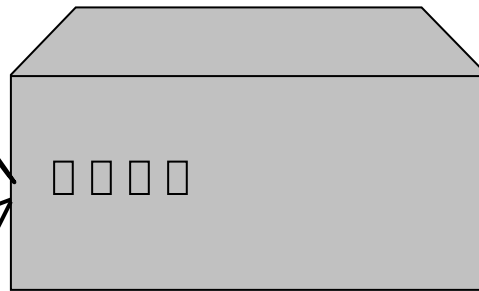


Complete ECVT System

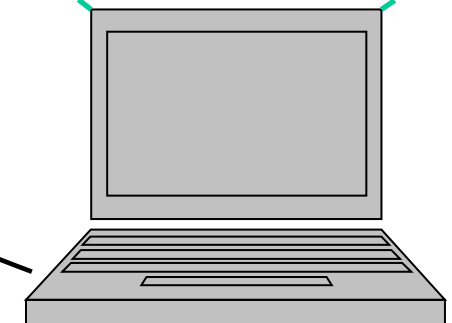
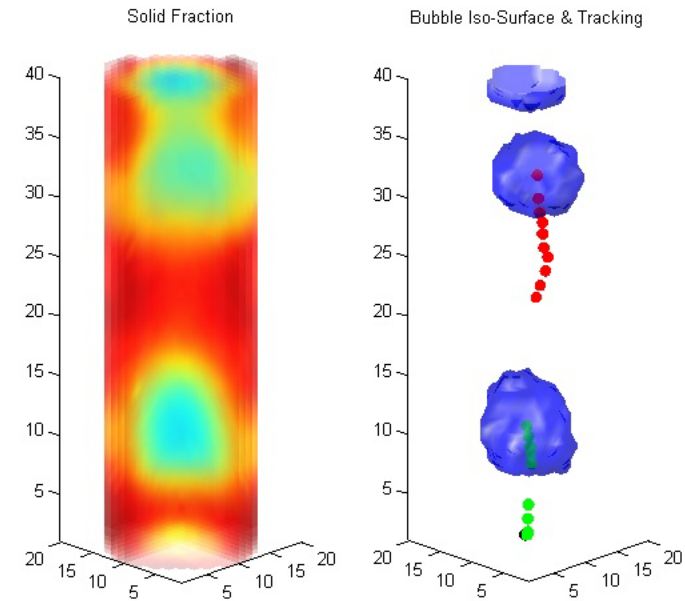
Sensors



Data
Acquisition



Reconstruction &
Viewing

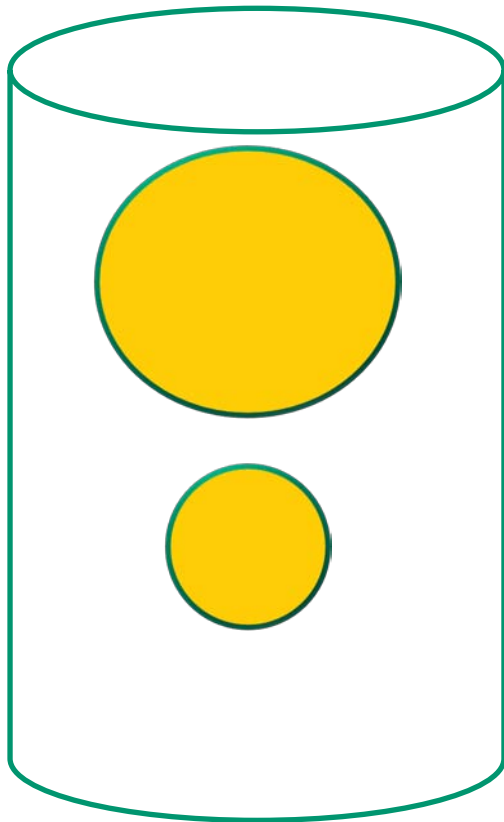


ECVT Reconstruction

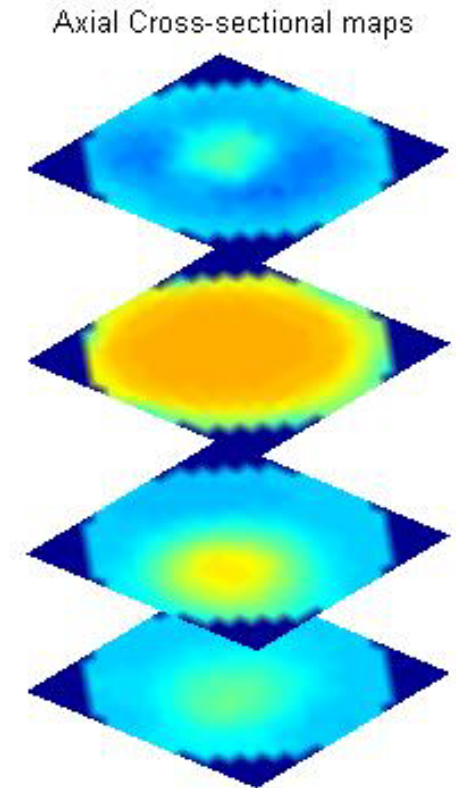
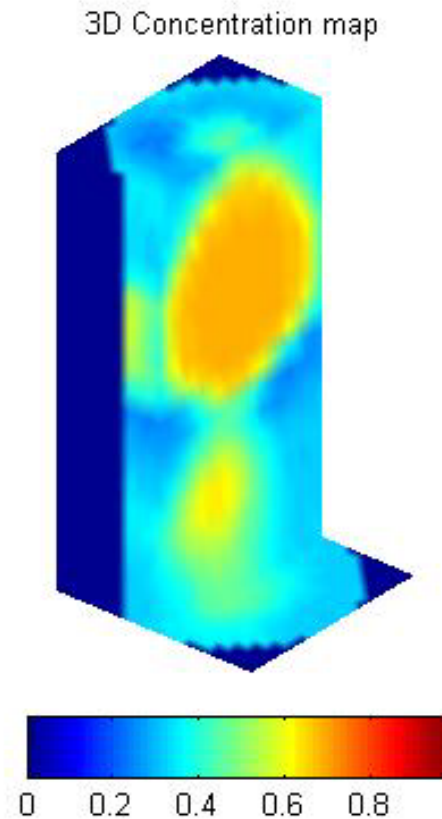
| Reconstruction | Methodology | Characteristics | Example |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Single Step Linear Back Projection | The sensor system is linearized (usually by constructing a sensitivity matrix). The image is obtained by back projecting the capacitance vector using the sensitivity matrix. | Fast, low image resolution, and introducing image artifacts | LBP |
| Iterative Linear Back Projection | The mean square error between the capacitance data and forward solution of the final image is minimized by iterative linear projections using the sensitivity matrix. | Slower than Single Step Linear. Providing better images than Single Step | Landweber ILBP |
| Optimization | A set of objective functions are minimized iteratively to provide the most likely image. Different optimization algorithms and objective functions can be used. | Slower than Iterative Linear Back Projection. Providing better images than Iterative Linear Back Projection | 3D-NNMOIRT |

Shape & Edge Detection

Experimental Results



Location Inside
Sensor

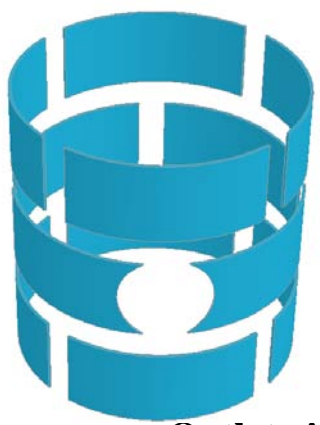


www.tech4imaging.com

ECVT Imaging

2. ECVT Verification

- 1) Comparison of the local time-averaged solids concentrations by **ECVT**, **ECT**, and **optical fiber probe**
- 2) Comparison of the time-averaged cross-sectional solids concentrations by **ECT** and **optical fiber probe** and the time-averaged volume solids concentration obtained by **ECVT** and **pressure transducer**
- 3) Comparison of **ECVT** and **MRI**



ECVT measurement

Outlet air

Cyclone

Column

ECVT sensors

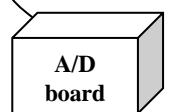
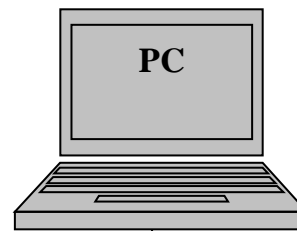
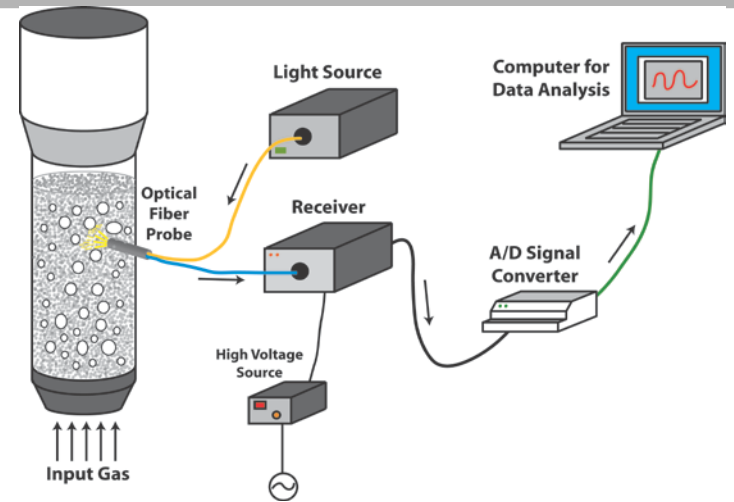
Distributor

Inlet air

Flow meter

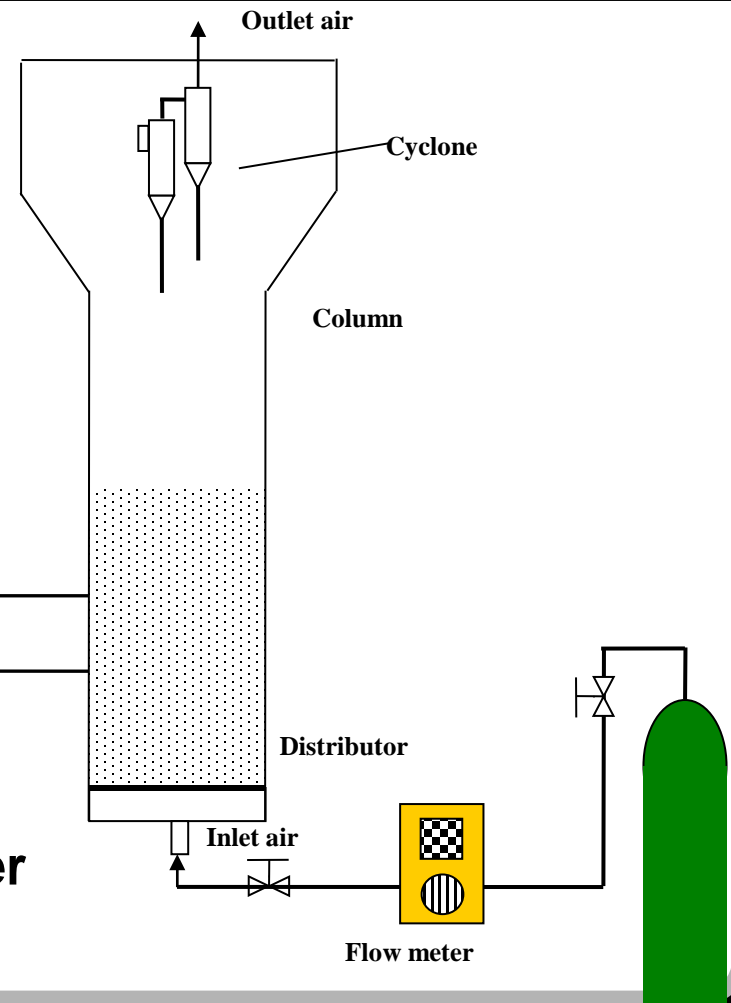
Gas Source

Optical fiber probe measurement



Pressure transducer

Pressure transducer measurement



Experimental Conditions

1

FCC particle:

Particle size: 60 μm

Particle density: 1400 kg/m^3

Fluidized bed:

ID: 4 inch

Total height: 2.5 m

Two-stage cyclone

Distributor:

Porous plate with a pore size of 20 μm

Fractional free area: 60%

Gas:

Air density: 1.225 kg/m^3

Air viscosity: 1.8×10^{-5} Ns/m^2

2

FCC particle:

Particle size: 60 μm

Particle density: 1400 kg/m^3

Fluidized bed:

ID: 12 inch

Disengagement section: 0.5 m

Total height: 2.3 m

Two-stage cyclone

Distributor:

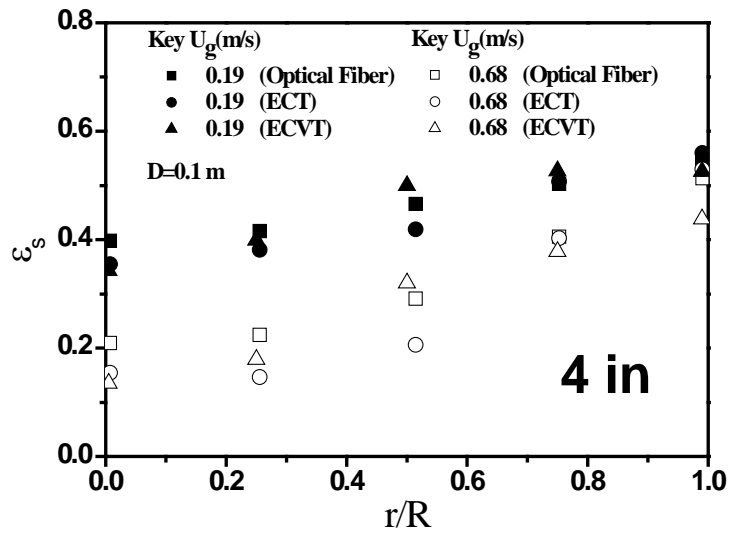
Porous plate with a pore size of 20 μm

Fractional free area: 60%

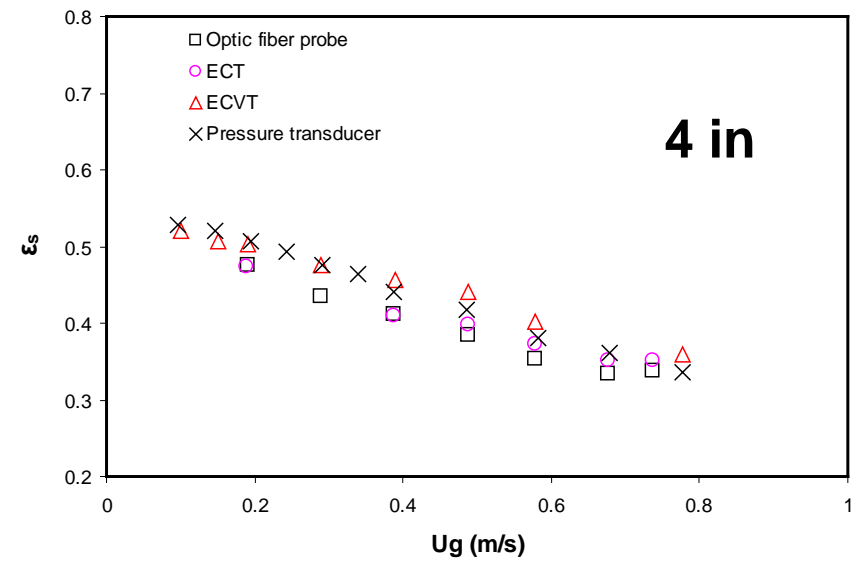
Gas:

Air density: 1.225 kg/m^3

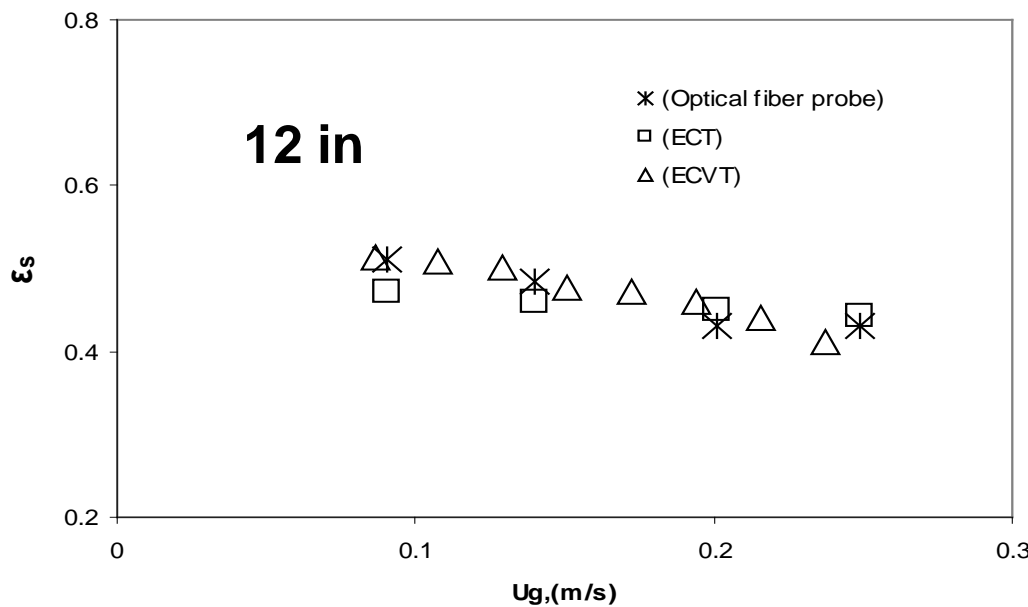
Air viscosity: 1.8×10^{-5} Ns/m^2



Radial profiles of time-averaged solids concentration in a 4-in gas-solid fluidized bed with FCC particles ($d_p = 60 \mu\text{m}$; $\rho_p = 1400 \text{ kg/m}^3$) obtained by ECVT, ECT and optical fiber probe



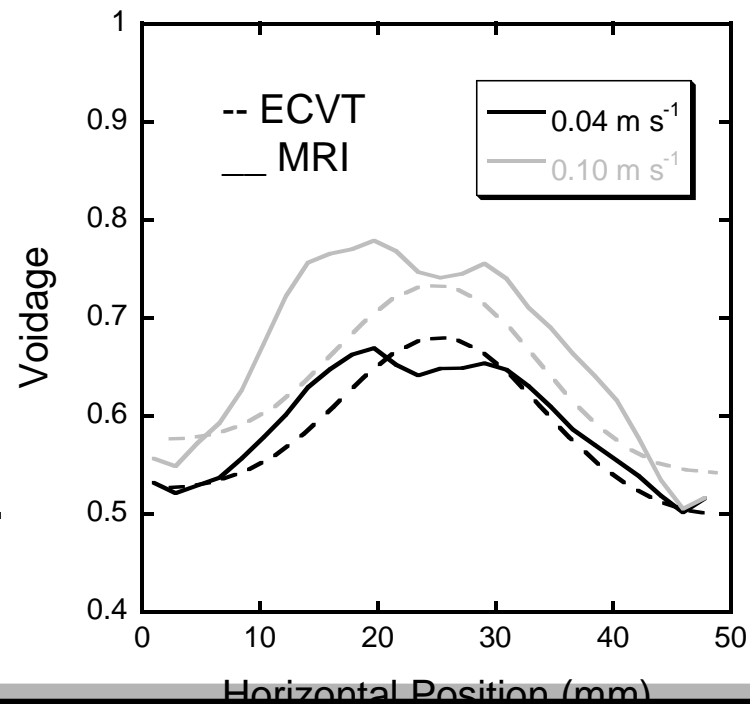
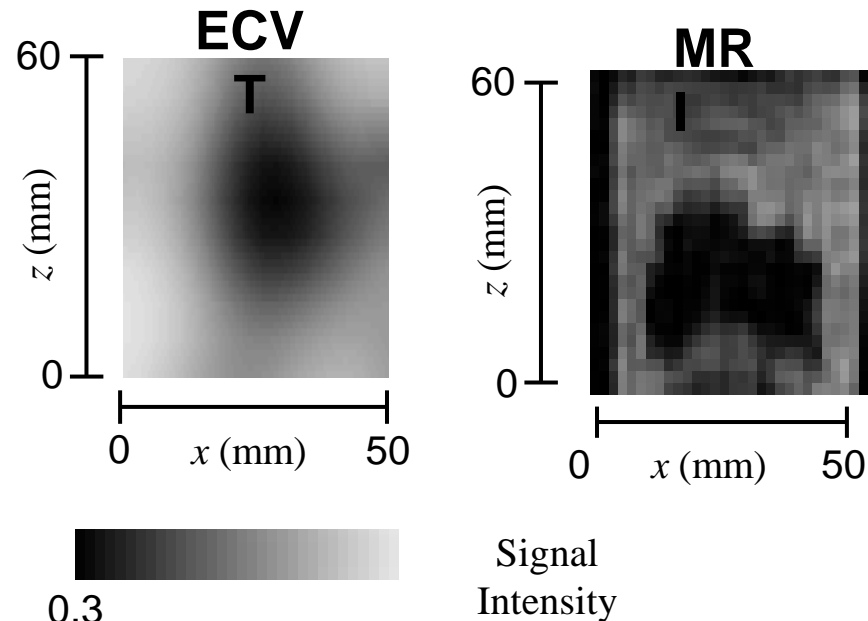
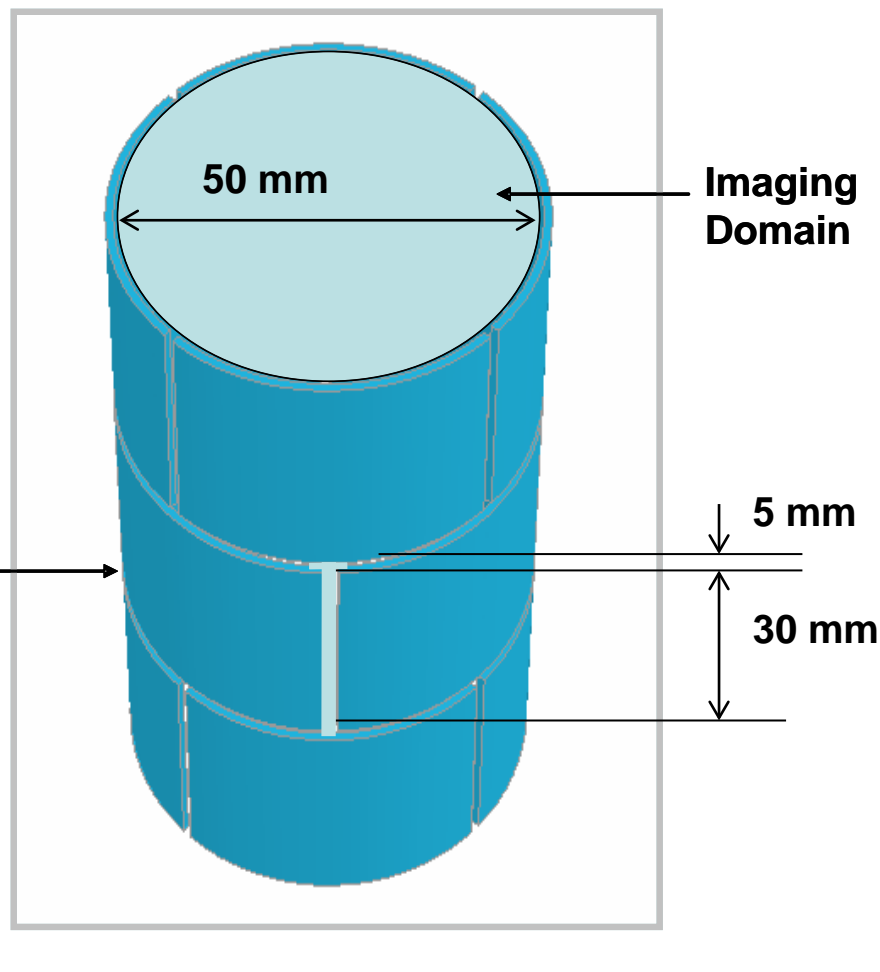
Comparison of the time-averaged cross-sectional solids concentrations obtained by ECT and optical fiber probe and the time-averaged volume solids concentration obtained by ECVT and pressure transducer for a 4-in gas-solid fluidized bed with FCC particles ($d_p = 60 \mu\text{m}$; $\rho_p = 1400 \text{ kg/m}^3$)



Comparison of the time-averaged cross-sectional solids concentrations obtained by the ECT and the optical fiber probe and the time-averaged volume solids concentration obtained by the ECVT for a 12-in gas-solid fluidized bed with FCC particles ($d_p = 60 \mu\text{m}$; $\rho_p = 1400 \text{ kg/m}^3$)

Courtesy of: The Ohio State University

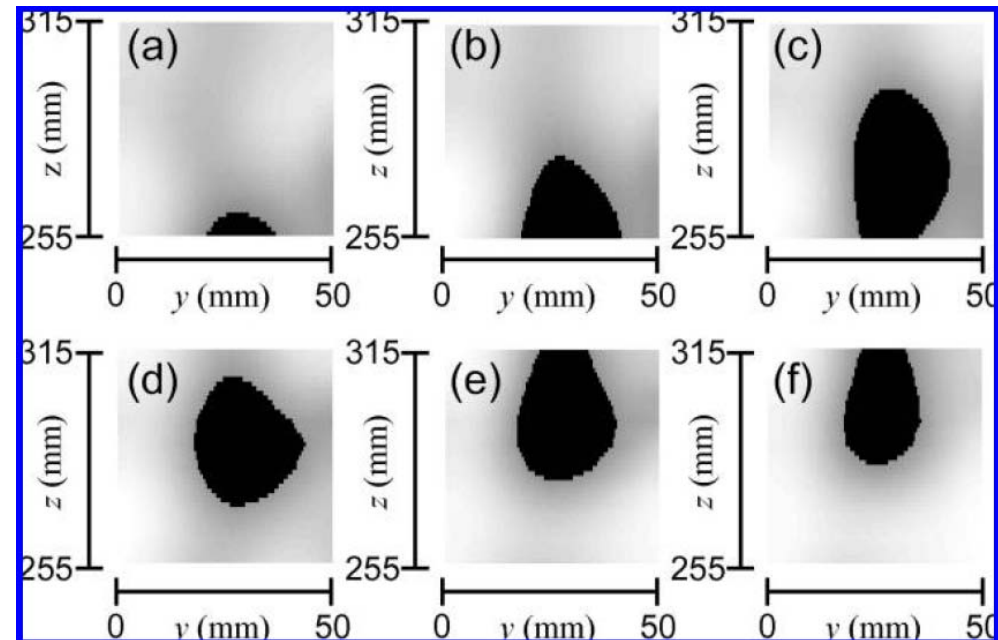
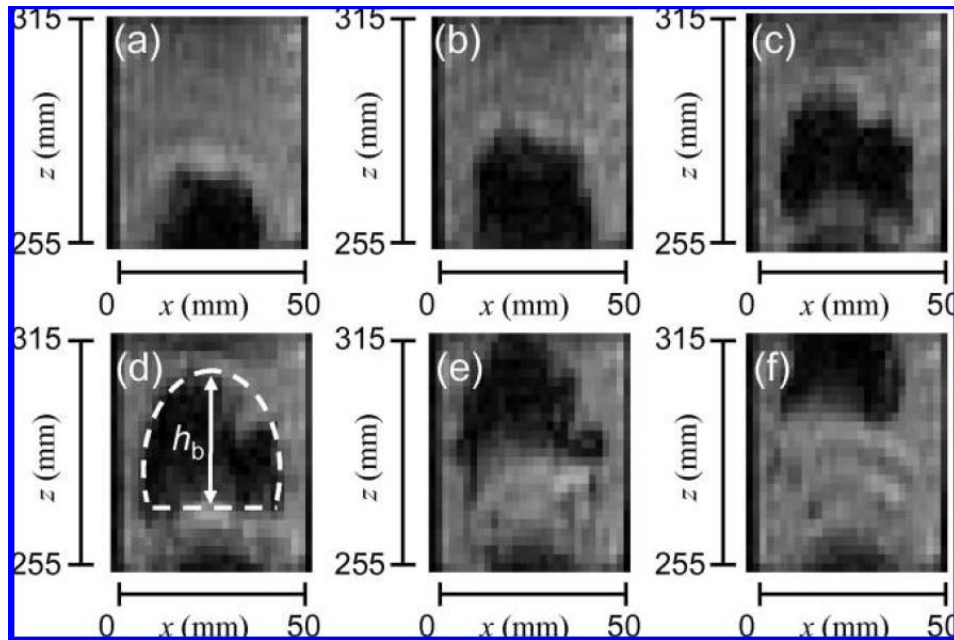
Electrical Capacitance Volume Tomography – Comparison with MRI



Work of **D.J. Holland**¹, **Q. Marashdeh**², **C.R. Müller**¹, **F. Wang**², **J.S. Dennis**¹, **L.-S. Fan**², **L.F. Gladden**¹

¹Cambridge University, ²The Ohio State University

Electrical Capacitance Volume Tomography – Comparison with MRI

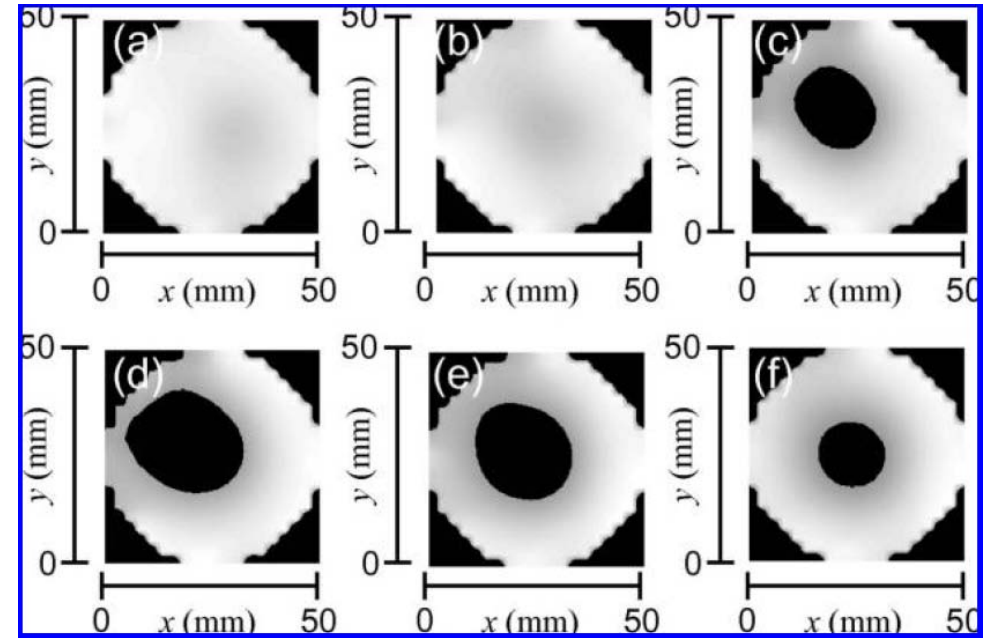
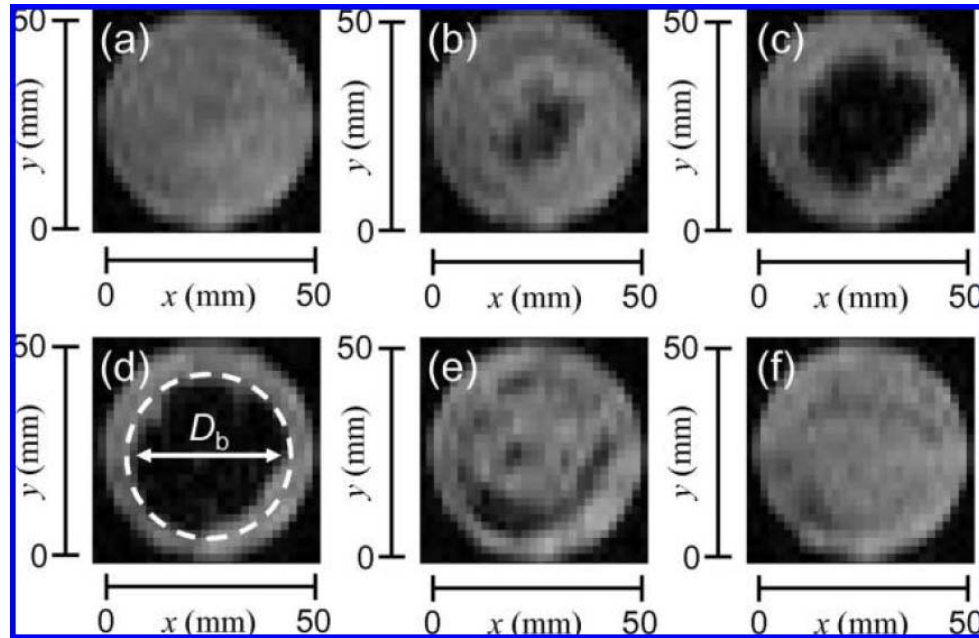


Superficial Gas Velocity: 0.04 m/s;
MRI: every frame (26 ms)
ECVT: every 2nd frame (25 ms)

Work of **D.J. Holland¹**, **Q. Marashdeh²**, **C.R. Müller¹**, **F. Wang²**, **J.S. Dennis¹**,
L.-S. Fan², **L.F. Gladden¹**

¹Cambridge University, ²The Ohio State University

Electrical Capacitance Volume Tomography – Comparison with MRI

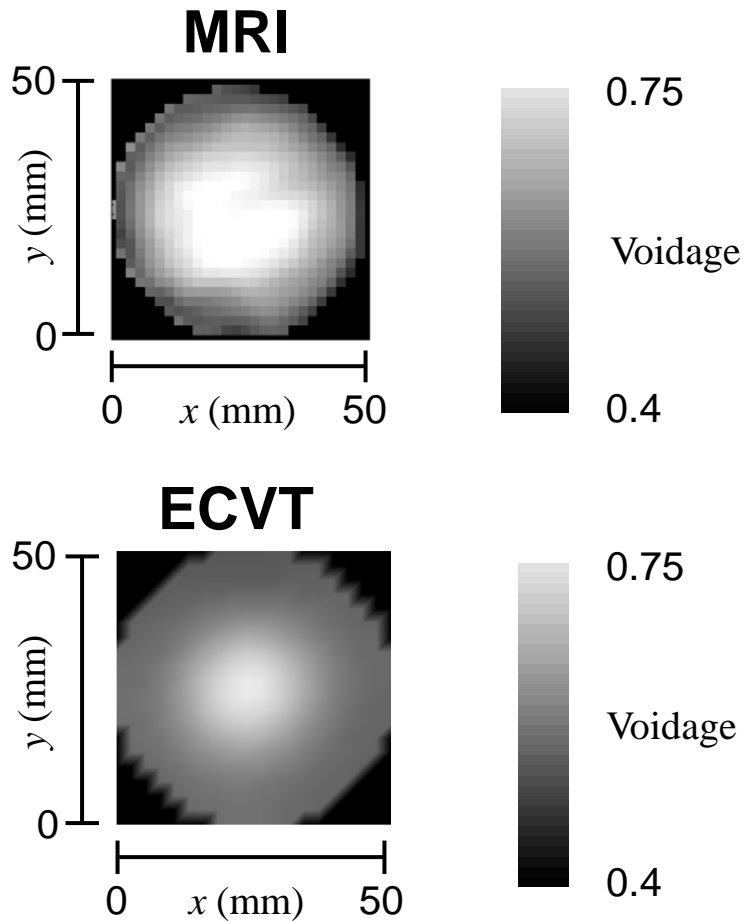


Superficial Gas Velocity: 0.04 m/s;
MRI: every frame (26 ms)
ECVT: every 2nd frame (25 ms)

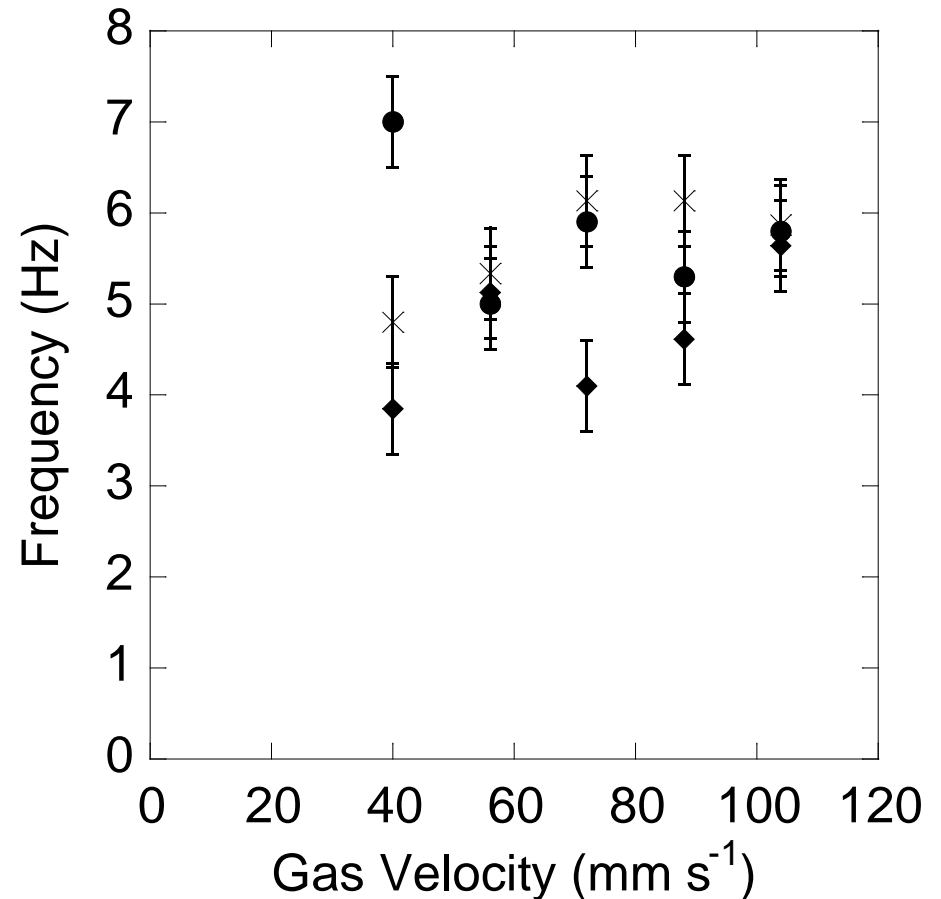
Work of **D.J. Holland¹**, **Q. Marashdeh²**, **C.R. Müller¹**, **F. Wang²**, **J.S. Dennis¹**,
L.-S. Fan², **L.F. Gladden¹**

¹Cambridge University, ²The Ohio State University

Electrical Capacitance Volume Tomography – Comparison with MRI



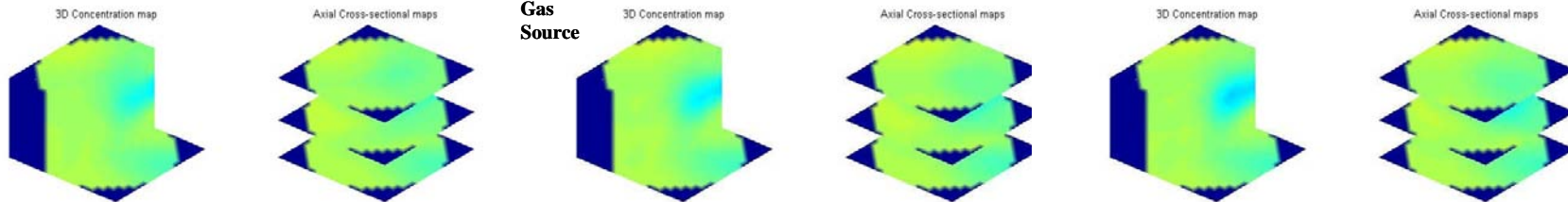
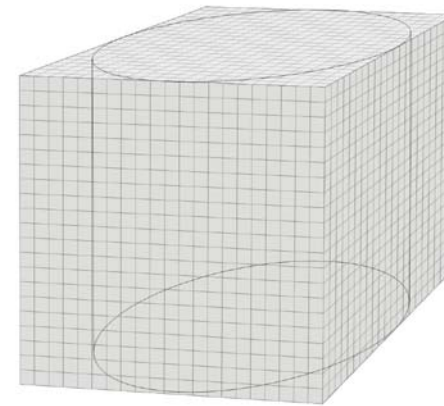
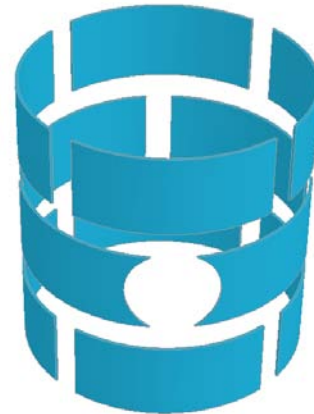
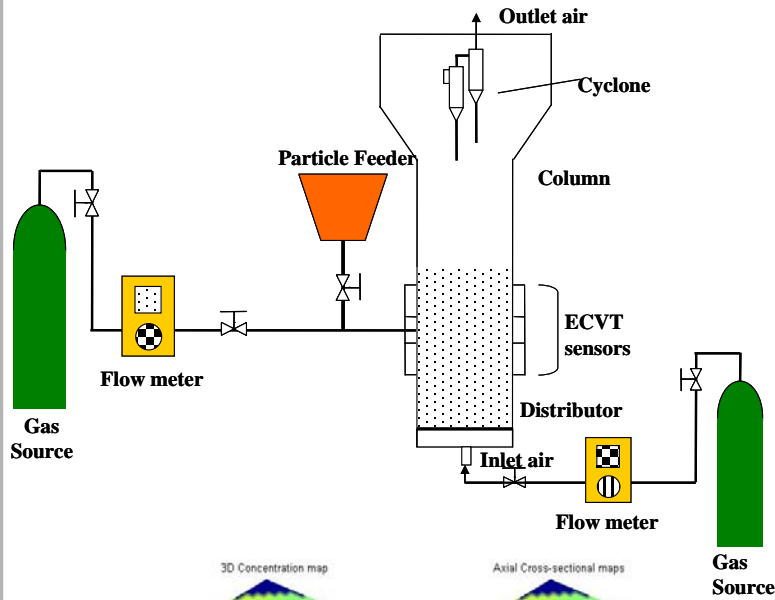
**Superficial Gas Velocity:
0.104 m s⁻¹**



Bubble frequency calculated from the ECVT (×), 2D MR data (♦) and 1D MR data (●).

Work of **D.J. Holland¹, Q. Marashdeh², C.R. Müller¹, F. Wang², J.S. Dennis¹, L.-S. Fan², L.F. Gladden¹**
¹Cambridge University, ²The Ohio State University

3. Horizontal gas jet penetration in a gas-solid fluidized bed



(a) $t=0$; (b) $t=12.5$ ms; (c) $t=25.0$ ms; (d) $t=37.5$; (e) $t=50.0$ ms; (f) $t=62.5$ ms. $U_g=0.064$ m/s, $U_0=15$ m/s

Dynamic
Of
Jet
Penetration

Experimental Conditions

FCC particle:

Particle size: 60 μm

Particle density: 1400 kg/m^3

Fluidized bed:

ID: 12 inch

Disengagement section: 0.5 m

Total height: 2.3 m

Two-stage cyclone

Distributor:

Porous plate with a pore size of 20 μm

Fractional free area: 60%

Gas:

Air density: 1.225 kg/m^3

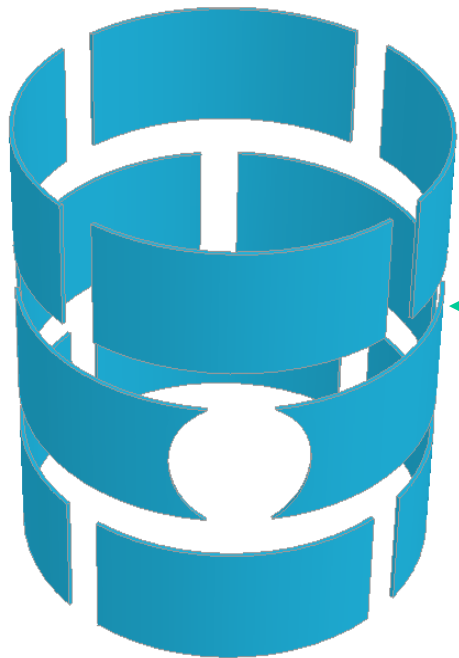
Air viscosity: 1.8×10^{-5} Ns/m^2

Sensors and Experimental Setup

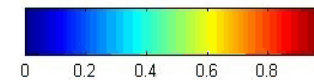
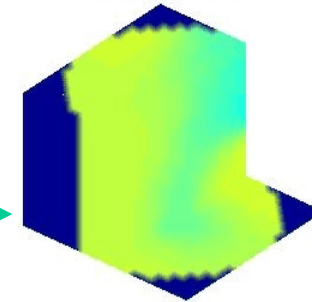


Courtesy of: The Ohio State University

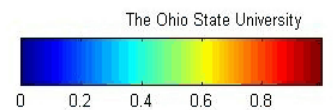
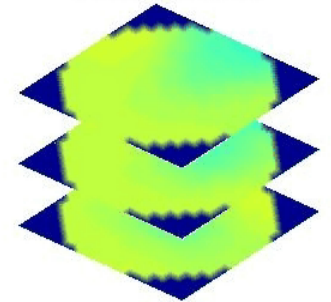
Side Injection



3D Concentration map



Axial Cross-sectional maps

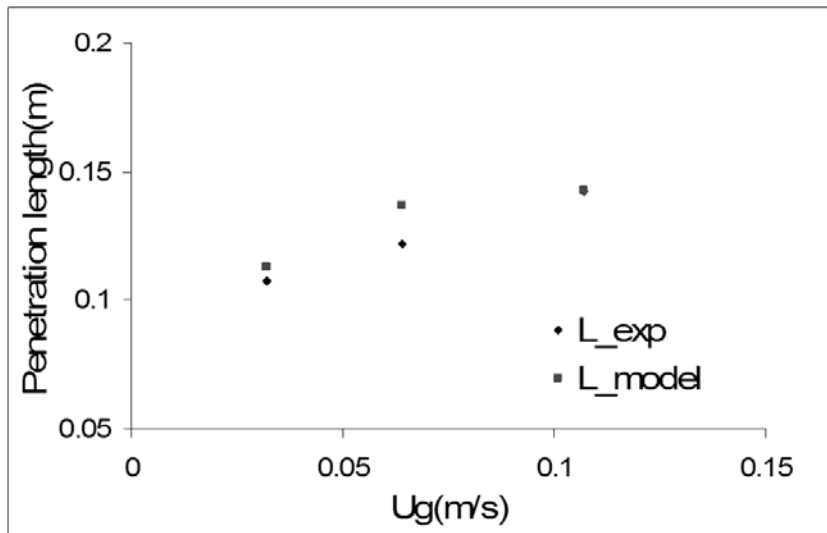
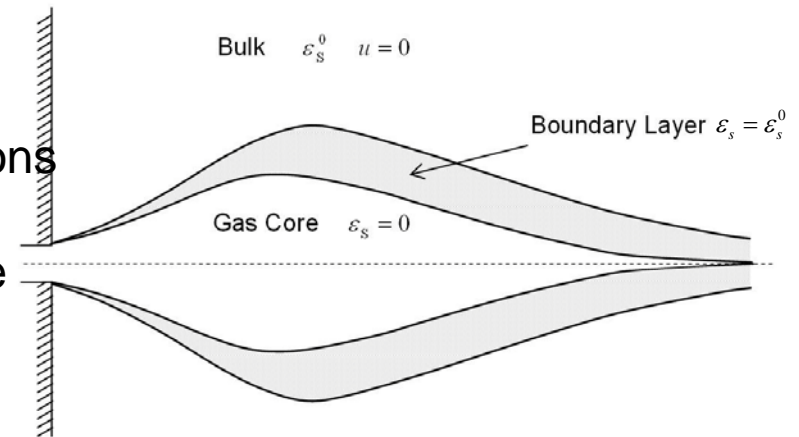


Courtesy of: The Ohio State University

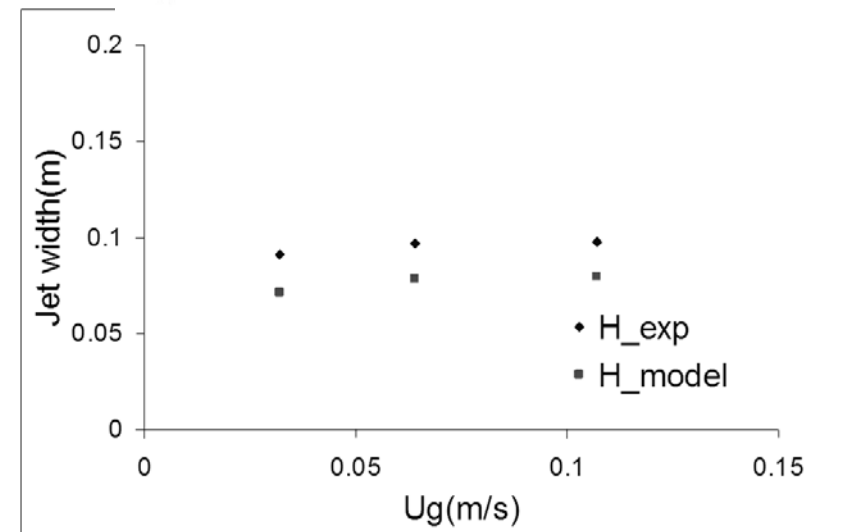
Horizontal gas jet penetration in a gas-solid fluidized bed

Horizontal jet in a gas-solid fluidized bed:

- solid particle holdup varies in the radial and axial directions
- particles entrain into the jet
- momentum is transferred from the jet to the solid particle
- the closure of the jet is due to the momentum loss

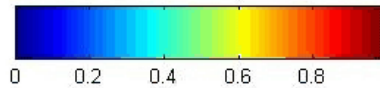
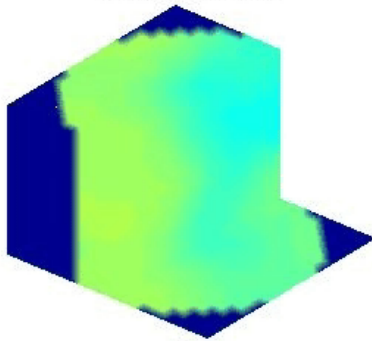


Comparison of the maximum penetration lengths of the horizontal gas jet obtained by ECVT experiments and model prediction for the 0.3 m gas-solid fluidized bed

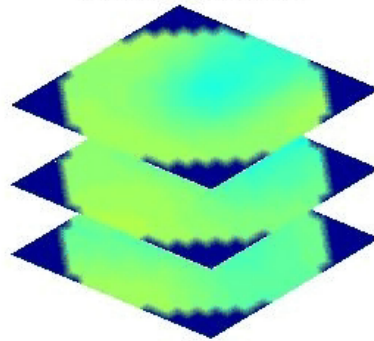


Comparison of the maximum width of the horizontal gas jet obtained by ECVT experiments and model prediction for the 0.3 m gas-solid fluidized bed

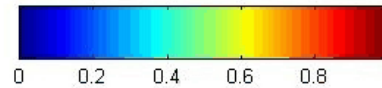
3D Concentration map



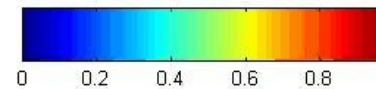
Axial Cross-sectional maps



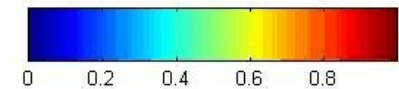
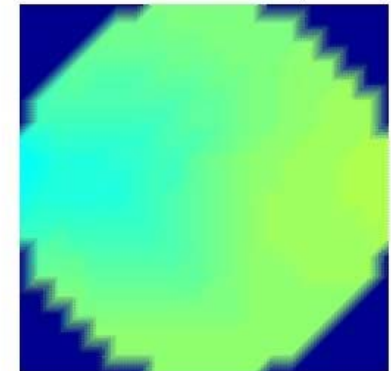
The Ohio State University



X-Z Concentration map



Axial Cross-sectional maps



Superficial gas velocity: $U_g=0.108$ m/s

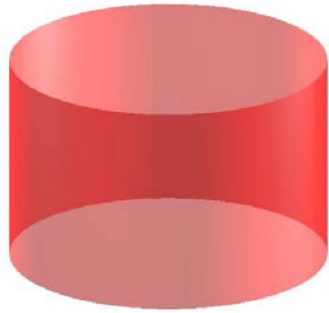
Side gas velocity: $U_{g_side}=15.5$ m/s

Side solids velocity: $U_{s_side}=0$

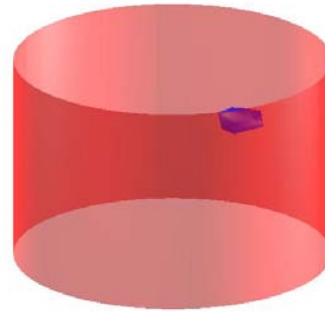
Fei Wang, Zhao Yu, Qussai Marashdeh, Liang-Shih Fan *
“Horizontal gas and gas/solid jet penetration in a gas–solid
fluidized bed” *Chemical Engineering Science* 65 (2010) 3394–
3408

Jet shape from ECVT images

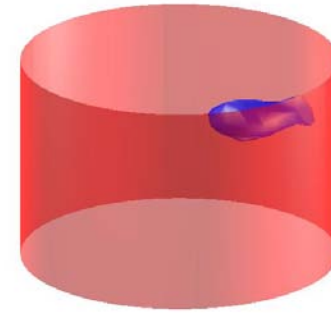
(Maximum jet penetration)



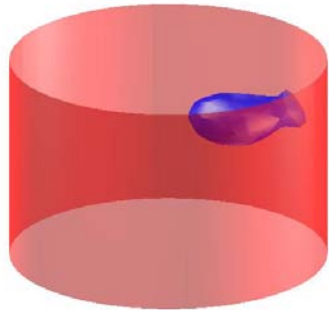
t=0



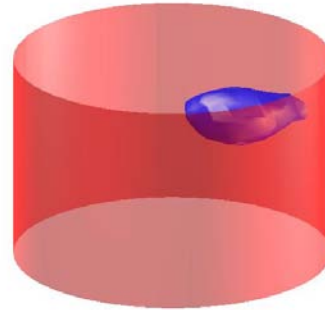
t=12.5 ms



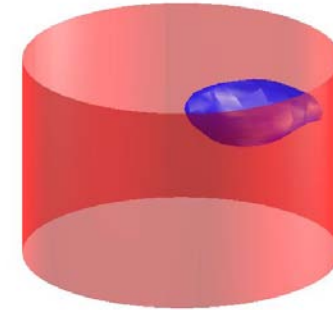
t=25 ms



t=37.5 ms



t=50 ms



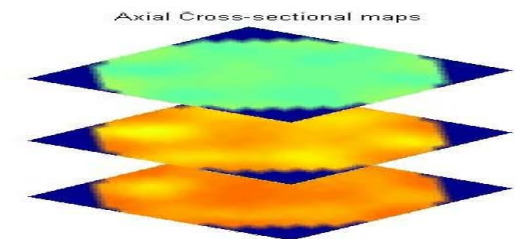
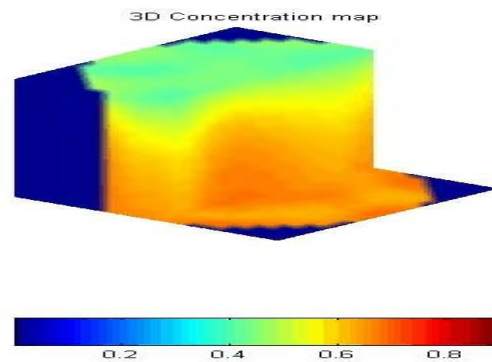
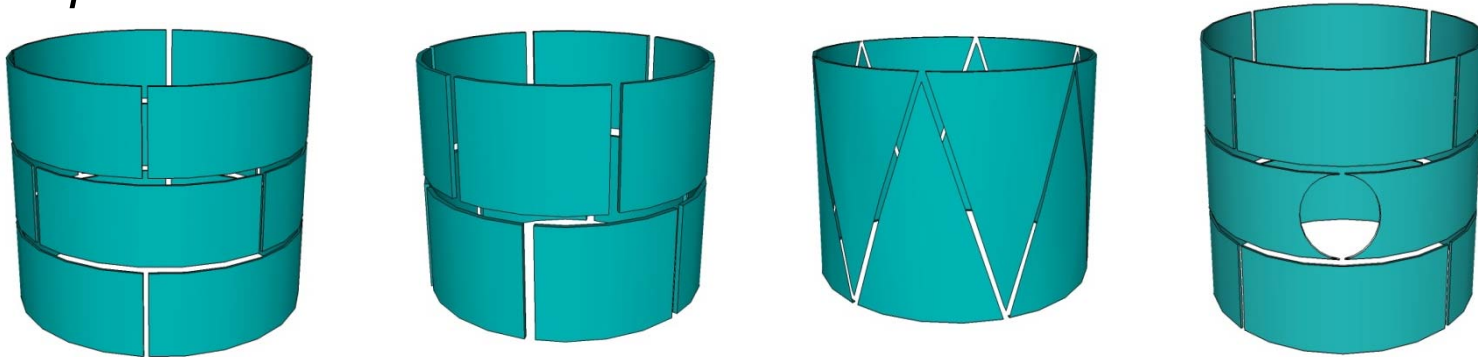
t=62.5 ms

Fei Wang, Zhao Yu, Qussai Marashdeh, Liang-Shih Fan *
“Horizontal gas and gas/solid jet penetration in a gas–solid
fluidized bed” *Chemical Engineering Science* 65 (2010) 3394–
3408

$U_g=0.064$ m/s, $U_0=15$
m/s

4. ECVT Sensor Applications

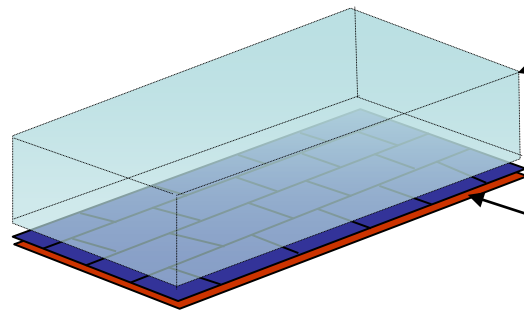
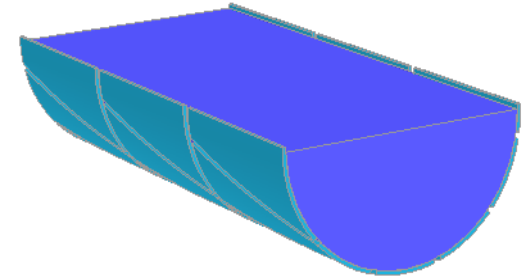
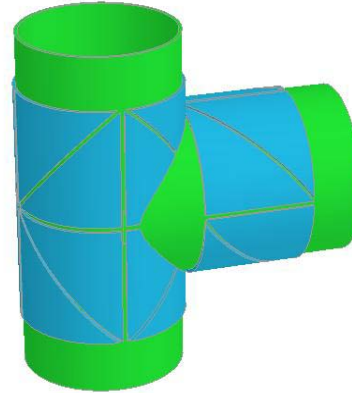
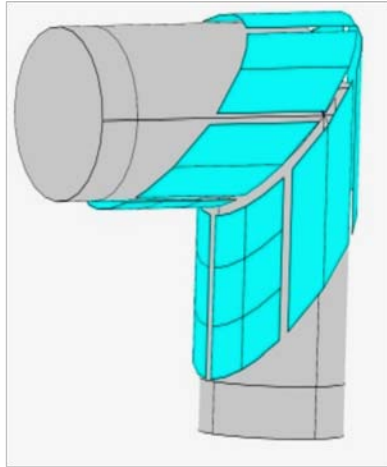
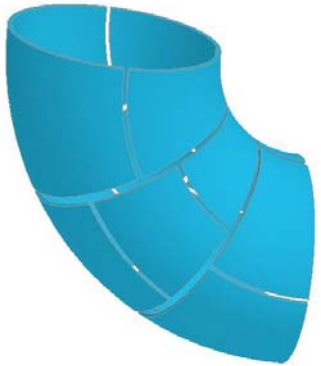
Cylindrical shape sensor



SCR12-25

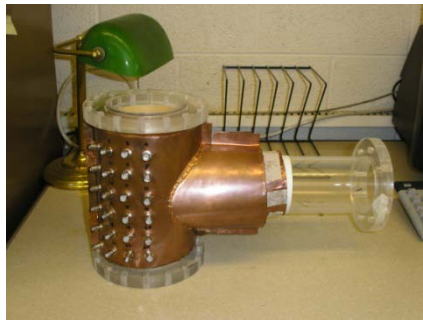
ECVT sensor design

Sensors with complex geometries



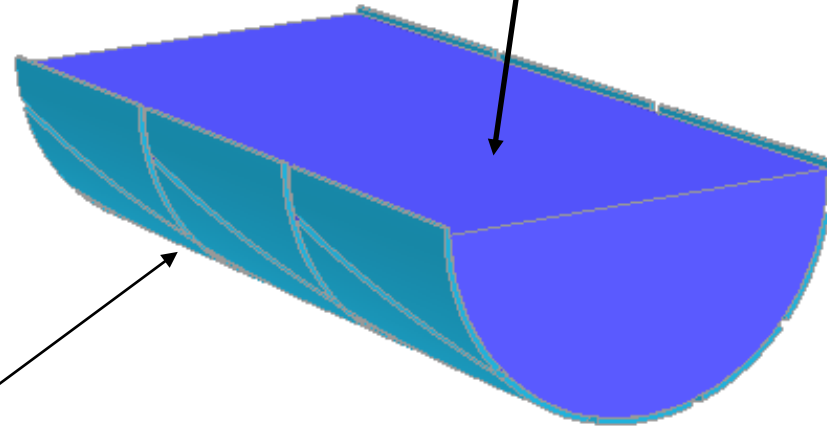
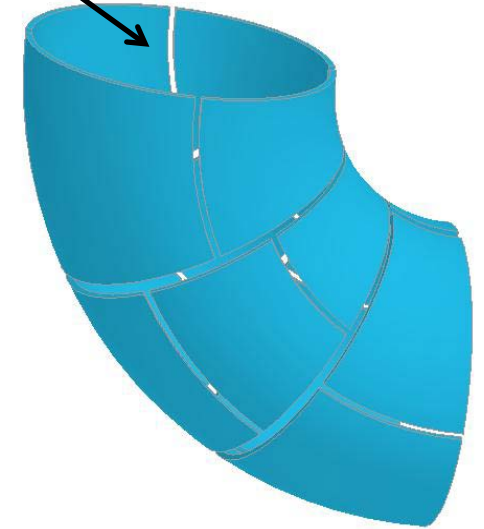
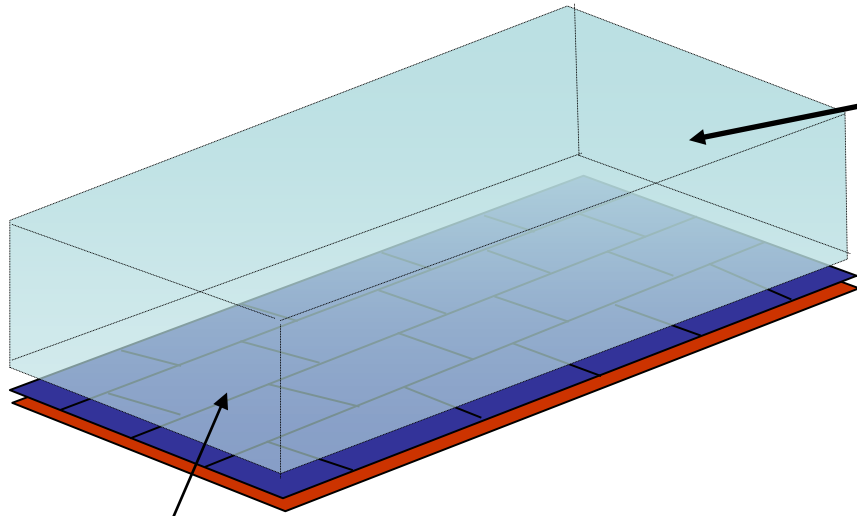
Sensing domain voxels

Planar sensor electrodes



Designs for Various Geometries

Sensing domain
(voxels)



Planar sensor electrodes

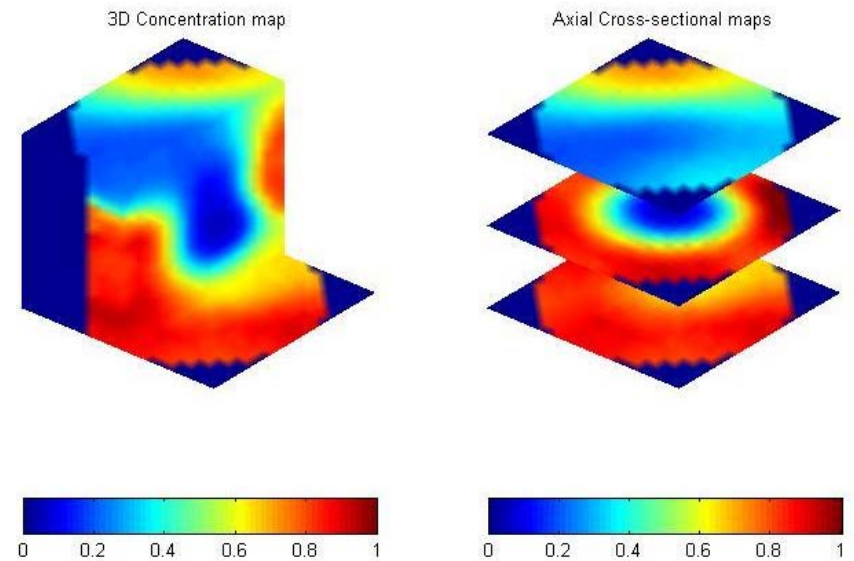
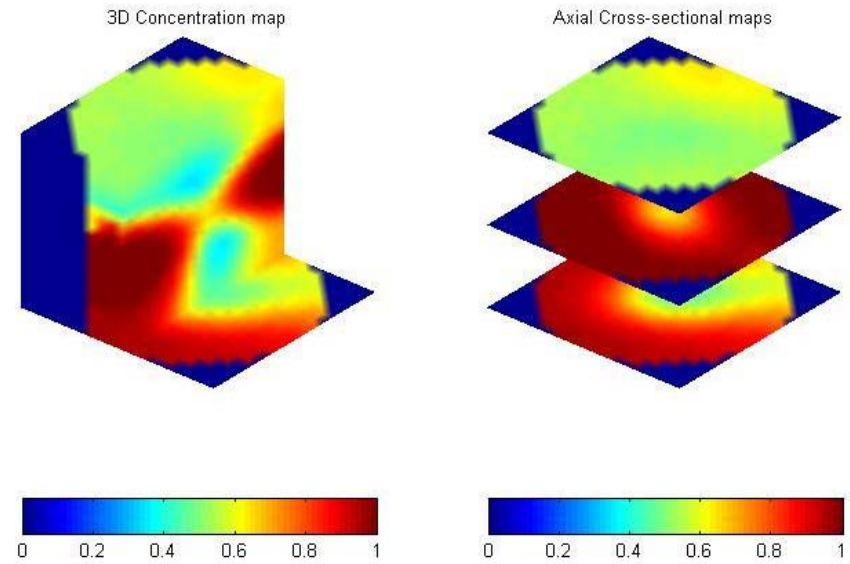
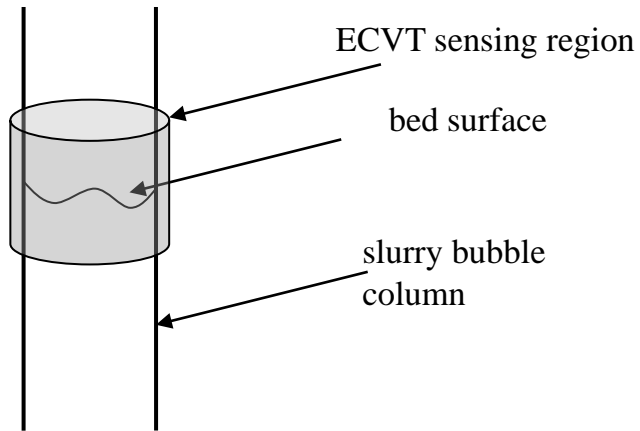
Cylindrical Duct sensor
electrodes

ECVT sensor design

Comparison of different sensor geometries in terms of symmetry, axial resolution and radial resolution

| Sensor Type | Sensor Symmetry | Axial Resolution | Radial Resolution |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Cylindrical sensor with 1 layer | High | Low, sensitivity decreases toward center. | High, sensitivity decreases toward center. |
| Cylindrical sensor with 2 shifted layers | Moderate | Moderate, sensitivity decreases toward center. | Moderate, sensitivity decreases toward center |
| Cylindrical sensor with 3 shifted layers | Moderate | High, sensitivity decreases toward center. | Moderate-High, sensitivity decreases toward center. |
| Planar sensor with shifted planes | Moderate | Low, sensitivity decreases away from sensor. | High, Sensitivity decreases away from sensor. |
| Bent sensor | Low | Depends on sensor plate arrangement | Depends on sensor plates arrangement |

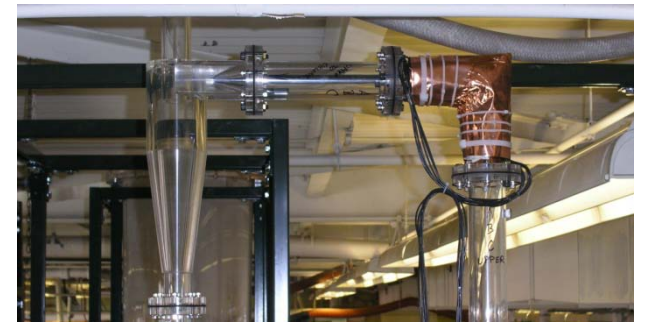
Surface of Slurry Bubble Columns



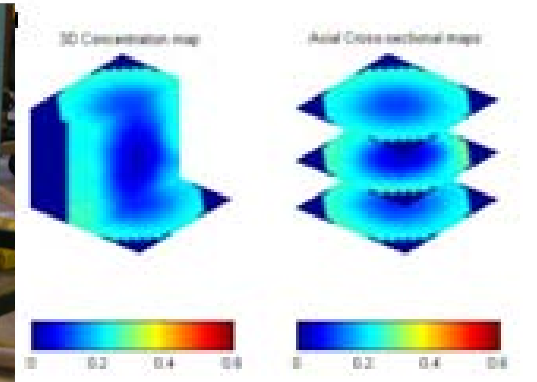
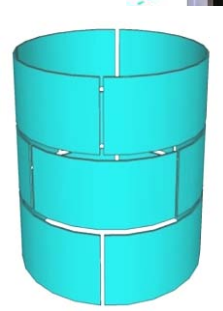
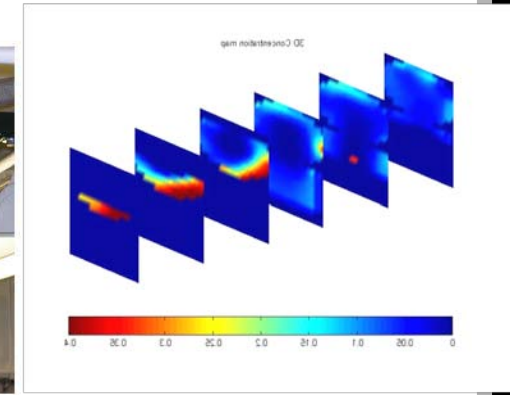
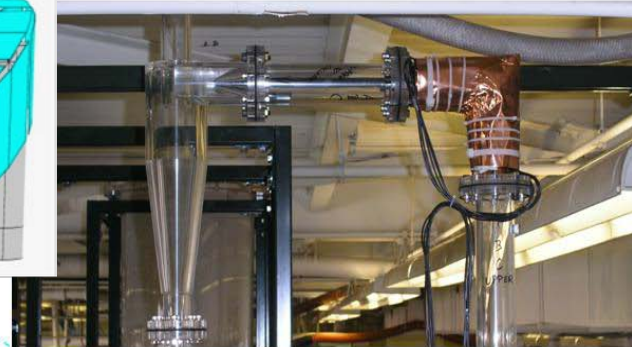
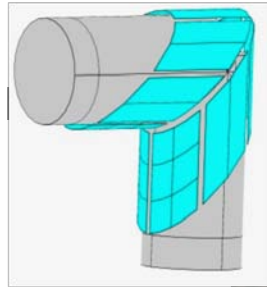
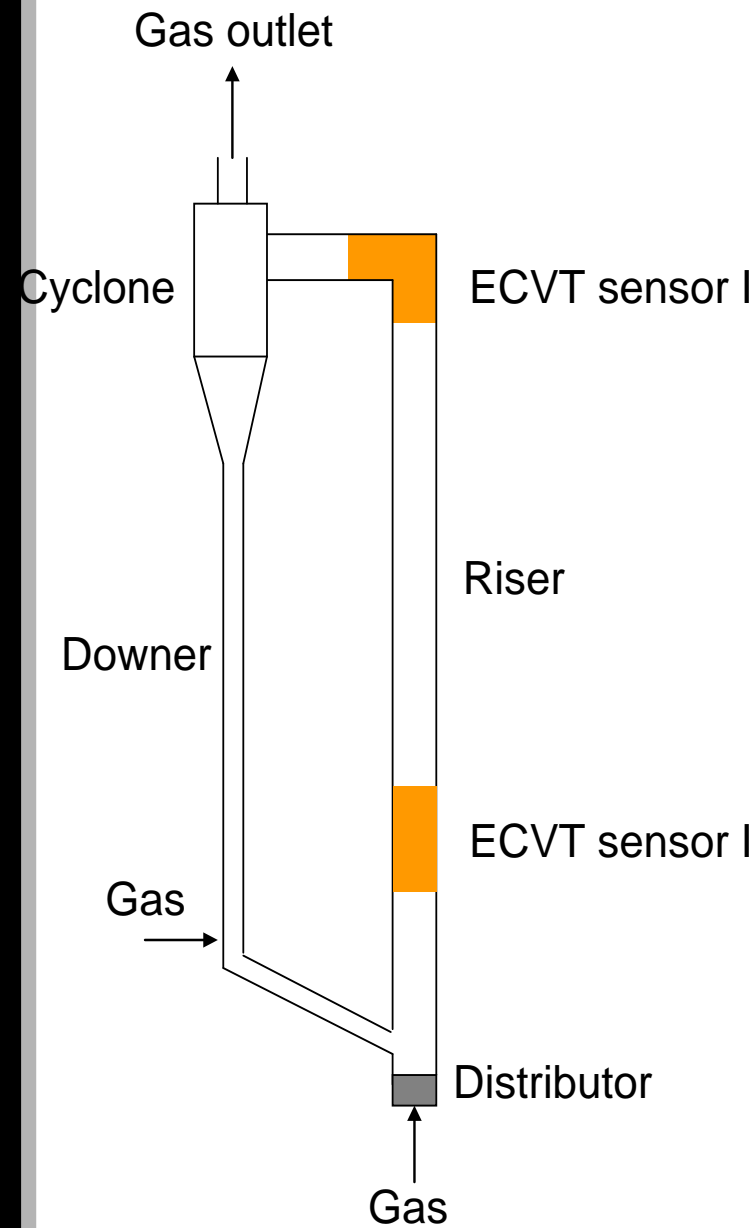
Snapshots of bubble bursting at the surface of a slurry bubble column by ECVT: (a) 3D image before bubble bursting; (b) 3D image after bubble bursting

Courtesy of: The Ohio State University

6. Complex Geometries Examples

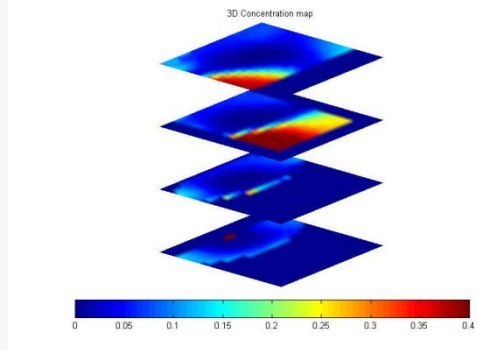
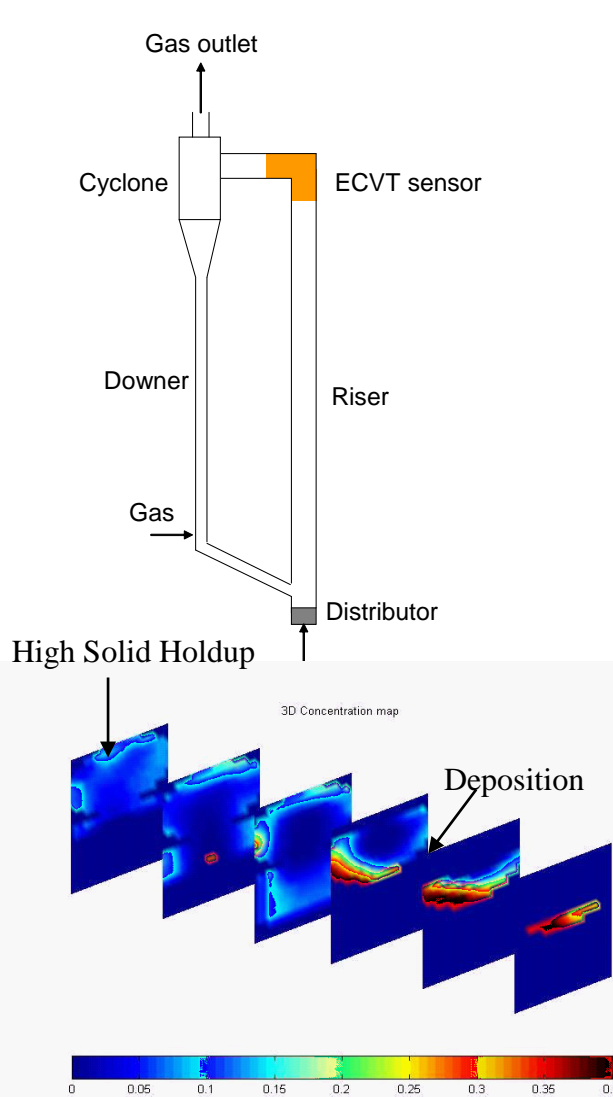


90 Degrees Bend & Riser



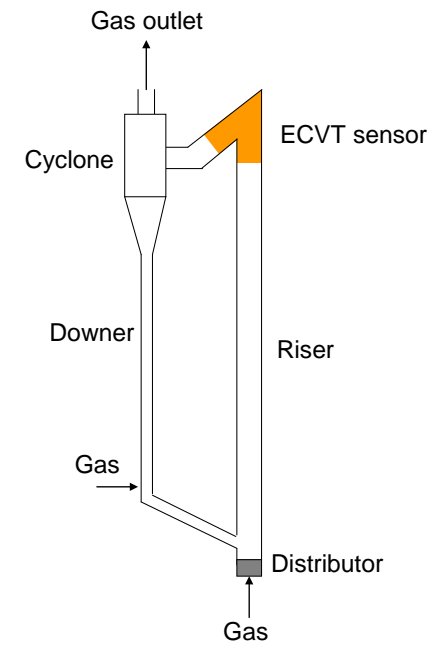
Courtesy of: The Ohio State University

3-D gas-solid flow patterns in the exit region of a gas-solid CFB riser

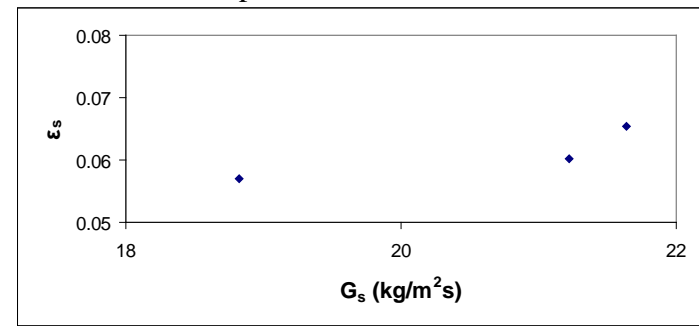


Solids holdup distribution in the bend of the CFB riser at $U_g=1.36$ m/s and $G_s=21.2$ kg/m²s: vertical slices and horizontal slices

Courtesy of: The Ohio State University

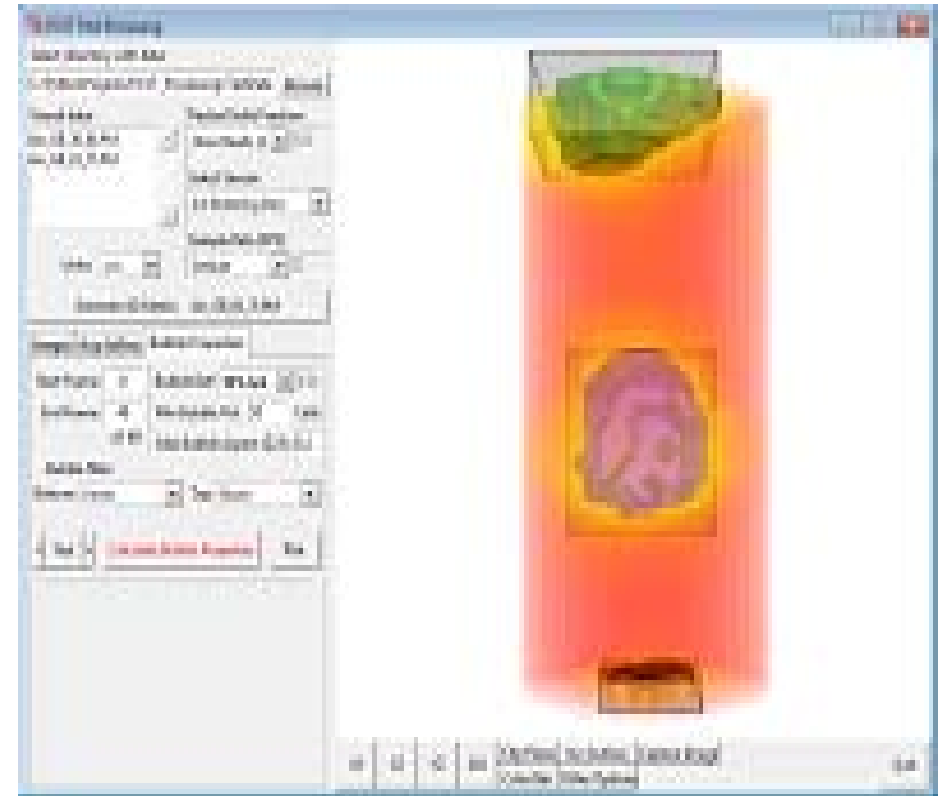
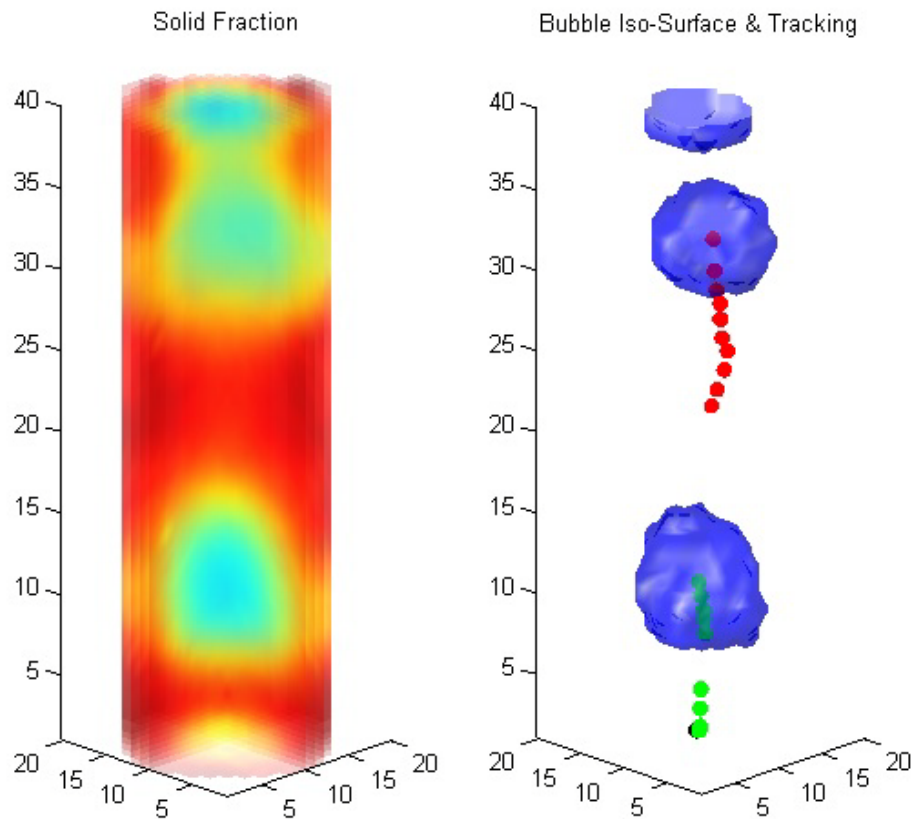


Solids Holdup/ Solid Circulation Rate



Time-averaged volume solids holdup at the top wall region at the start of the horizontal duct of the bend at $U_g=1.16$ m/s

Real-Time Imaging: Bubble Tracking



Courtesy of: NETL, U.S. Department of Energy

Scale-Up ECVT Sensors

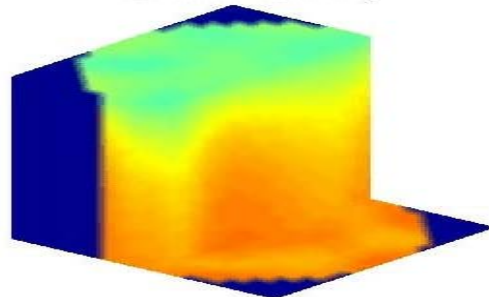


60 inch ID →

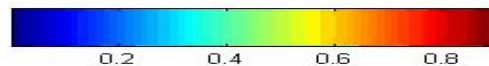
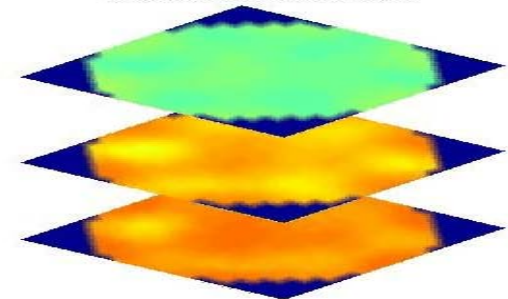


← 12 inch ID

3D Concentration map

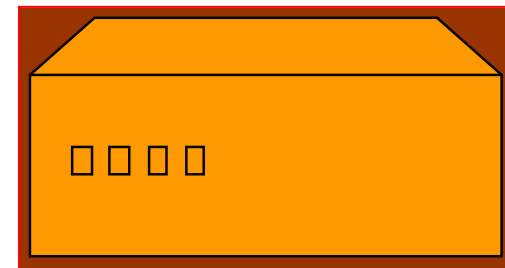
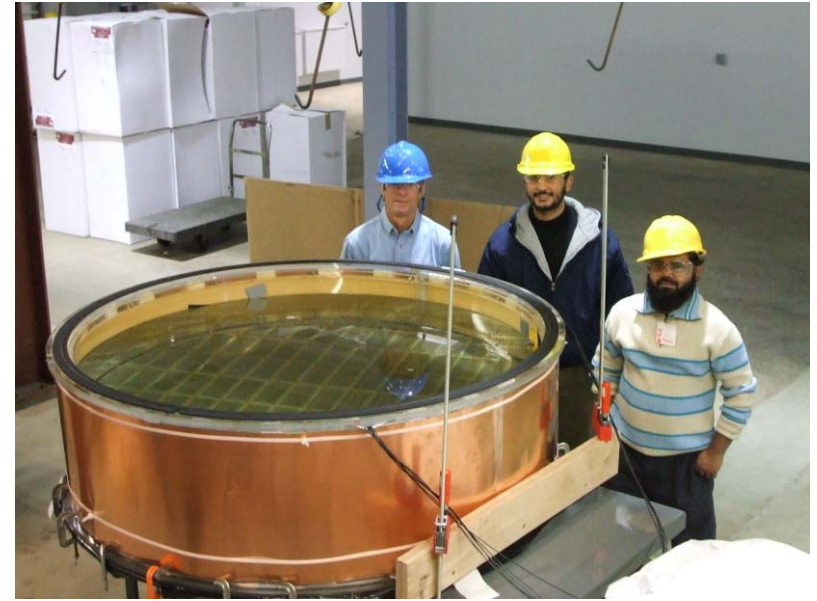
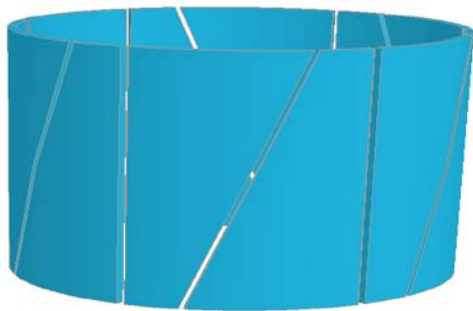


Axial Cross-sectional maps



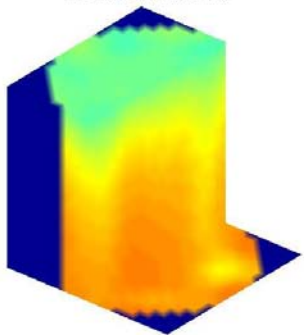
Scale-up Unit

Sensor
Design

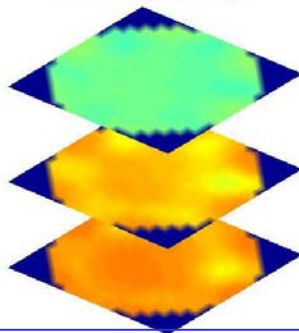


Acquisition
System

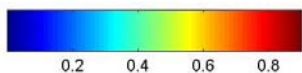
3D Concentration map



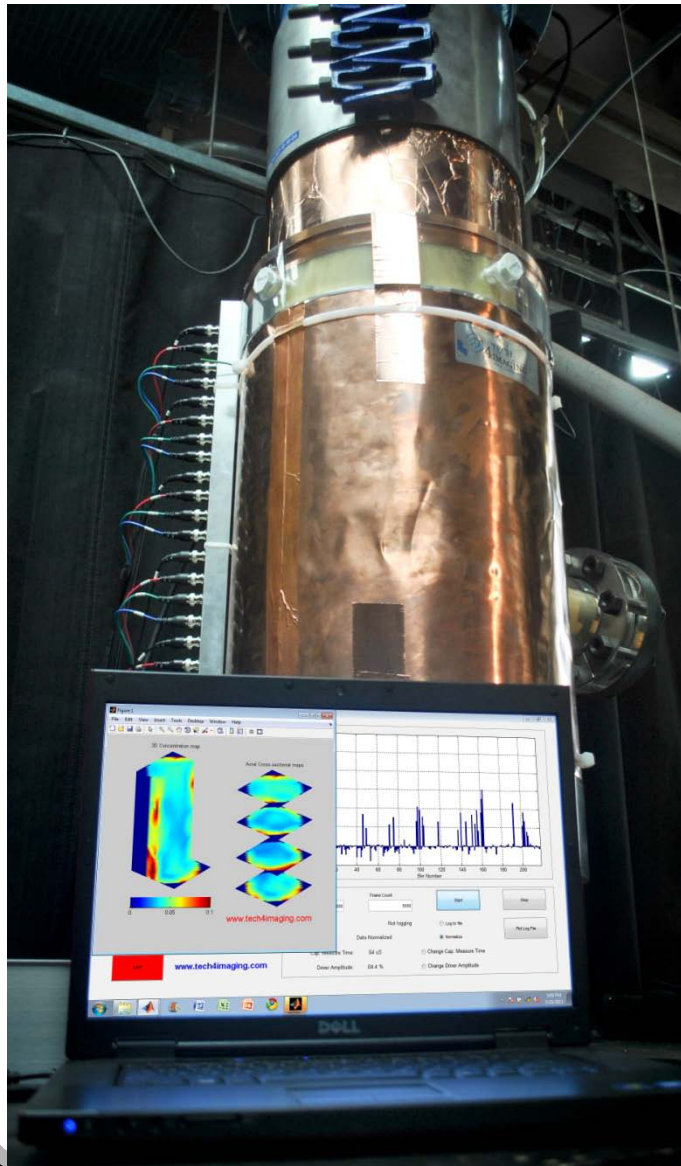
Axial Cross-sectional maps



3D Reconstruction
Result



NETL Riser, Inlet, & Exit Sensors

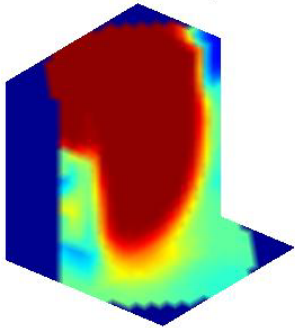


Courtesy of: NETL, U.S. Department of Energy

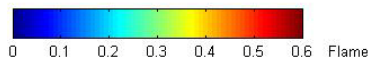
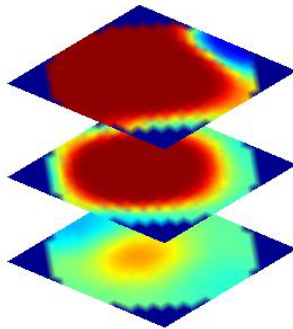
Combustion Imaging



3D Concentration map

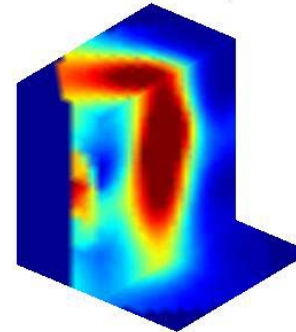


Axial Cross-sectional maps

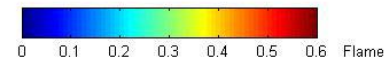
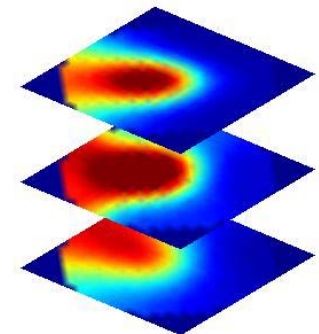


Ignition

3D Concentration map



Axial Cross-sectional maps



Stable Flame

Combustion

A change in heavy ion concentration has a remarkable effect on dielectric constant and conductivity of a medium containing free ionic species
dielectric constant: ϵ
and conductivity: σ

$$\epsilon = 1 - \sum_i \frac{\omega_c^2}{\omega^2 + \omega_i^2}, \quad \sigma = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_i \frac{\omega_c^2 \omega_i}{\omega^2 + \omega_i^2},$$



Smaller ions contribute less to changing dielectric constant.

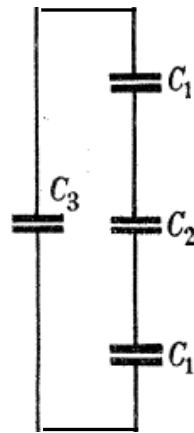
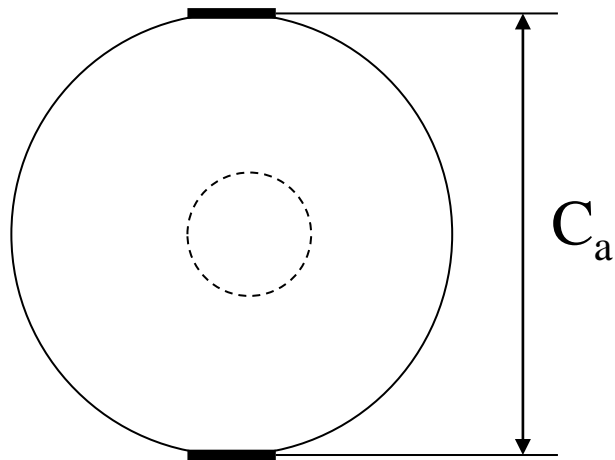
$\omega = 2\pi f$, angular frequency f , frequency of the electrical signal

ω_i , collision frequency of the i th ionic species with other molecules

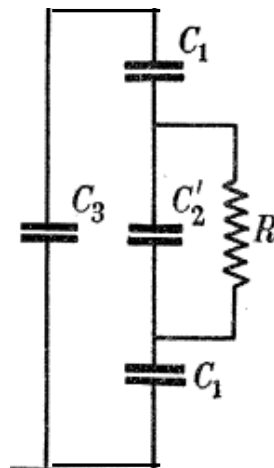
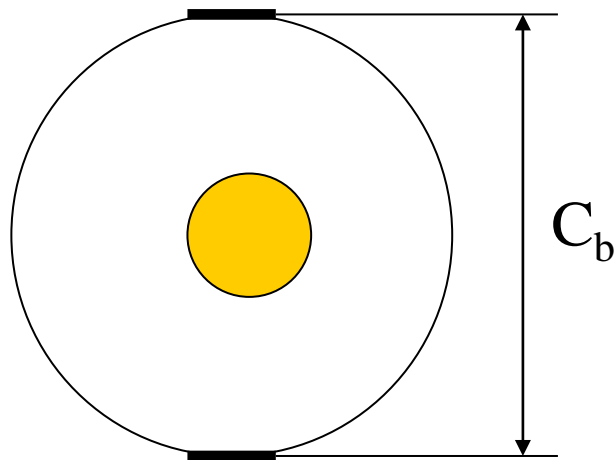
$\omega_c^2 = \frac{4\pi n_i e_i^2}{m_i}$ with n_i, e_i, m_i the no./cm³, electrical charge, and mass of this ion respectively

Ionization

- ◆ Ionization occurs in flames during combustion
- ◆ The size and number of ions affect the conductivity of the flame more than it's dielectric constant
- ◆ An electric capacitance response can be observed when introducing a flame between two plates.
- ◆ ECVT can be used to visualize combustion and flames based on variations in the capacitance signal



$$C_a = \frac{2C_3 C_2 + C_1 C_3 + C_1 C_2}{C_1 + 2C_2}$$

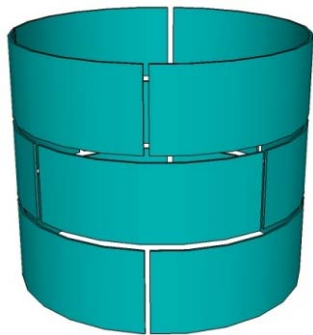


$$C_b > C_a$$

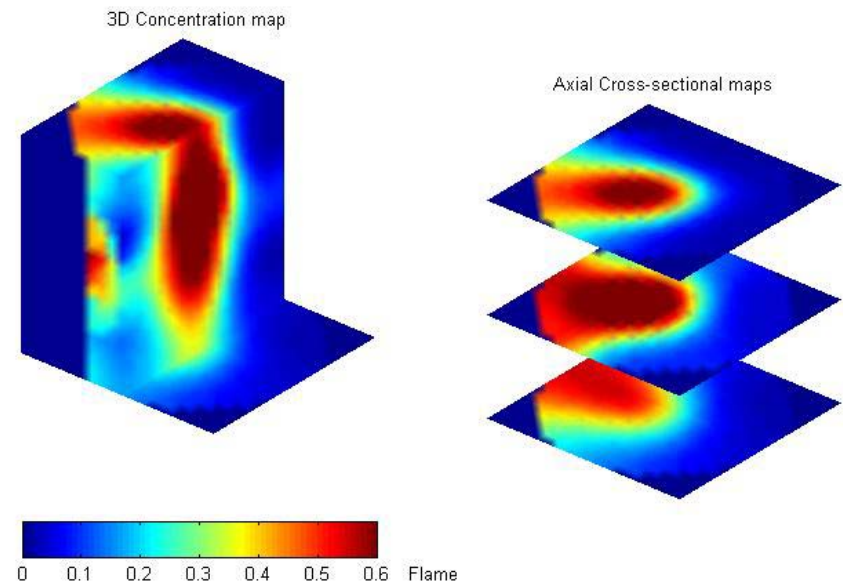
$$C_b = \frac{(2C_3 + C_1)^2 + \omega^2 R^2 (2C_3 C_2' + C_1 C_3 + C_1 C_2')^2}{2(2C_3 + C_1) + \omega^2 R^2 (2C_2 + C_1) (2C_3 C_2' + C_1 C_3 + C_1 C_2')}$$

Experimental Condition

- ◆ Sensor: 4" ID, 3 layers, 12 channels
 - ◆ Calibration material: Polyethylene
 - ◆ Flame Source: Propylene (C_3H_6) Flame torch
- $\epsilon_r \approx 2.3$

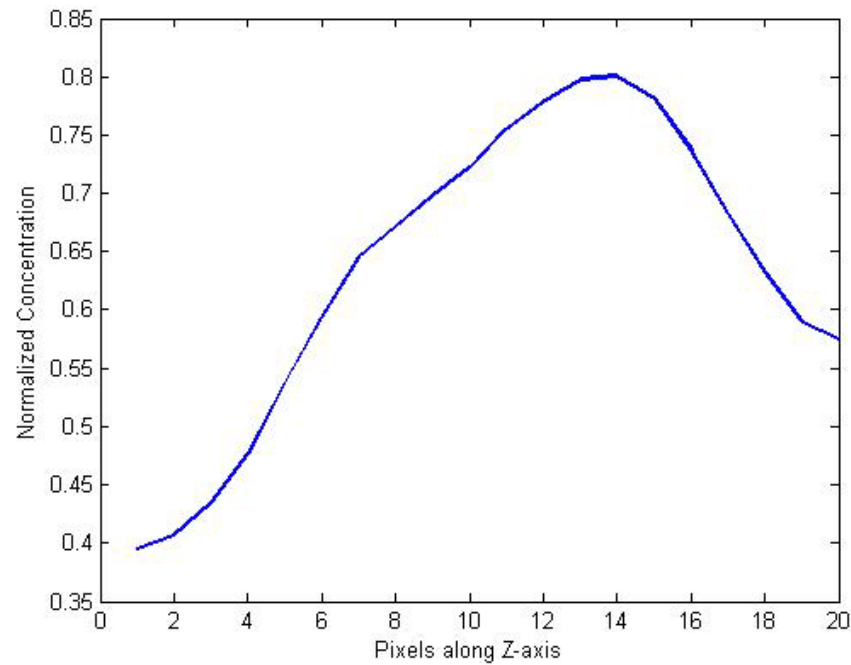
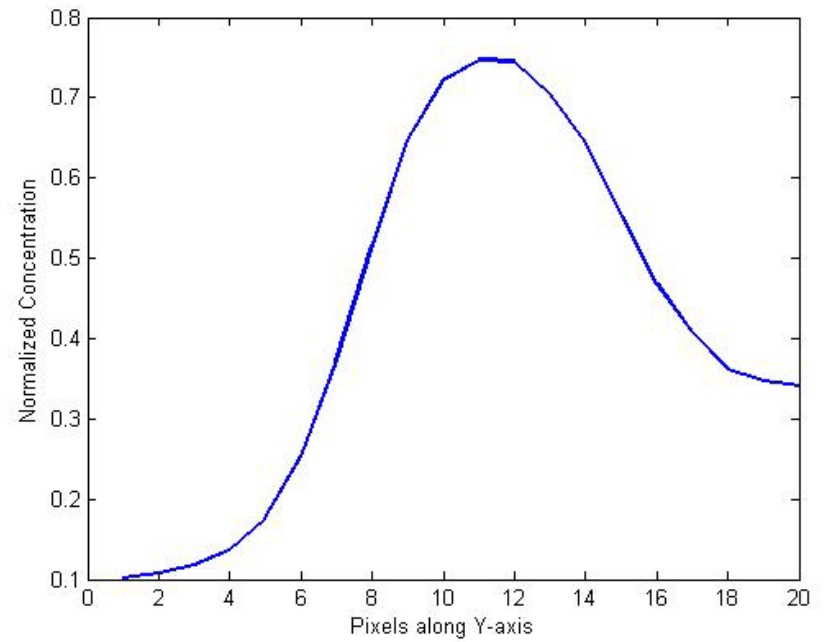
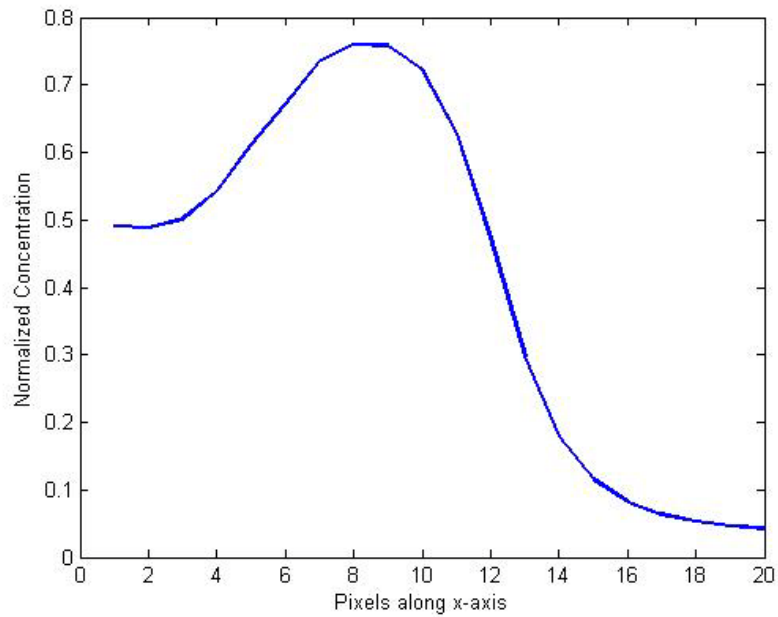


Combustion Imaging

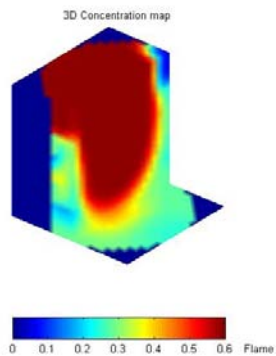


Stable Flame

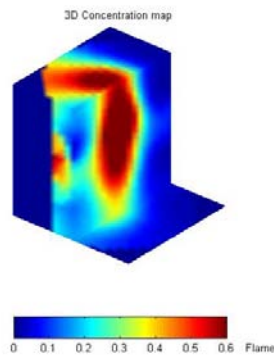
Capacitance Distribution



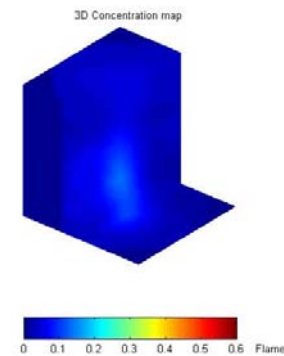
Combustion Imaging



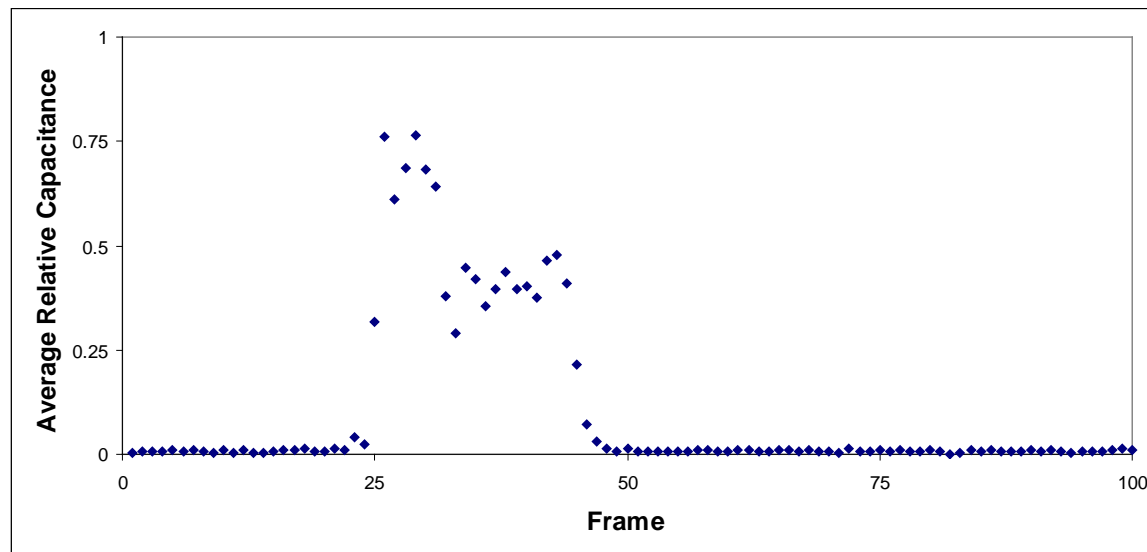
Ignition



Stable Flame



Shut Down



Concluding Remarks

- ◆ ECVT is a non-invasive imaging technology that can be applied to image processes vessels of various diameters and shapes.
- ◆ ECVT is a unique imaging technology with its potential for commercial scale-up, combustions imaging, and hot unit applications.
- ◆ Tech4Imaging LLC has developed a commercial ECVT system for imaging multi-phase flow systems in various conditions.

Acknowledgement

- ◆ The support of US. Department of Energy is gratefully acknowledged.
- ◆ The contribution of Professor L.S. Fan and his research group are also acknowledged.

Questions

TECH
4 IMAGING

