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Mixing Performance Characterization for Optimization and Development on SCR Applications

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Efficient Design Optimization Requires Reliable Performance Predictions

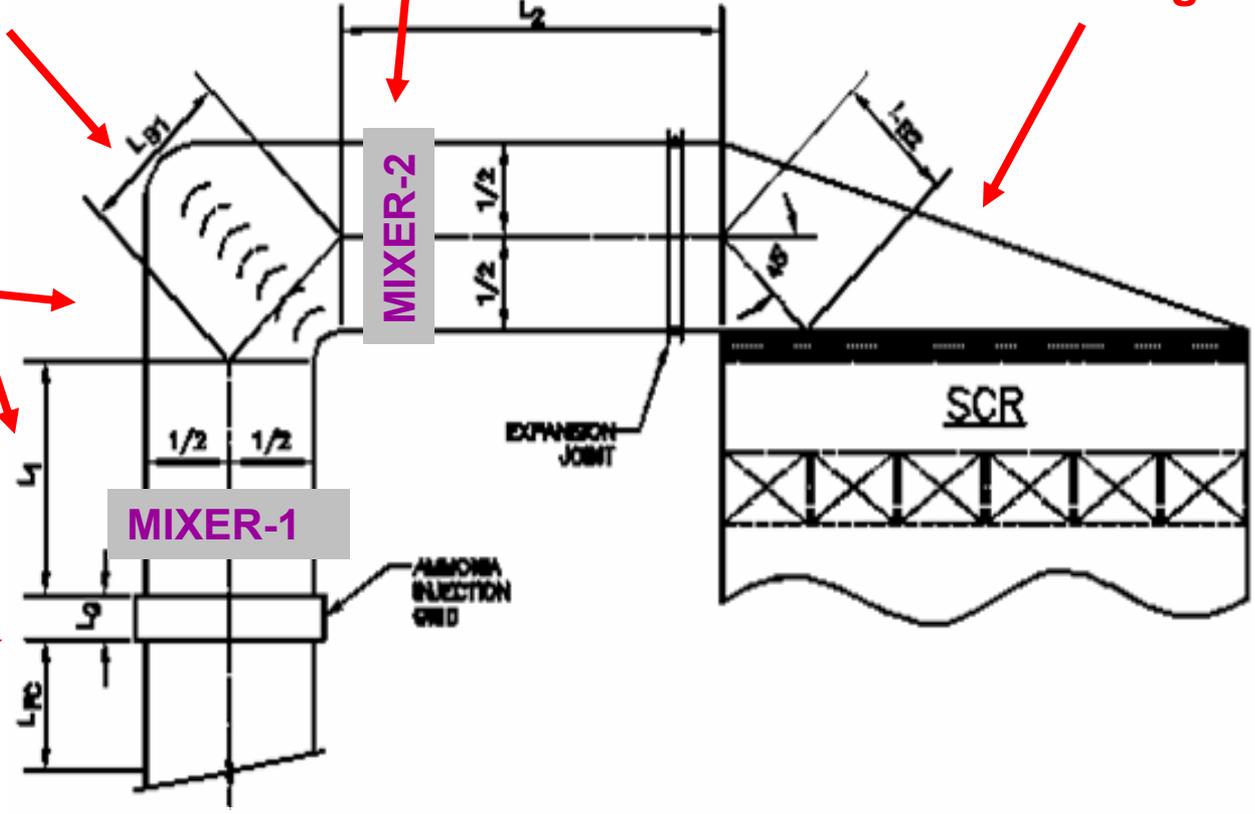
Influence of Bend and Vane Design

Need for Second Mixer ?

Influence of Hood and Hood Internal Vane Designs

Influence of Mixer Design & Proximity to Downstream Arrangement

Influence of AIG Design



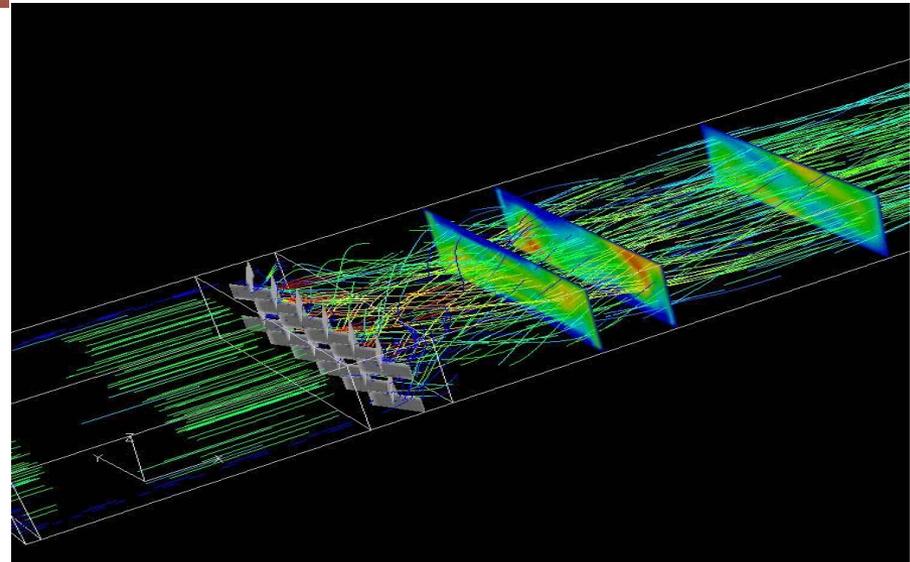
Mixing Test Stands:



← Physical Test Stands:
Base Mixer Development
Performance Comparisons
CFD Validation

Numerical Test Stands: →

Extended Mixer Development
Performance Comparisons
Multiple Scenario & Sensitivity Analyses



Mixing Effectiveness:

$$\xi_m = \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_0}$$

where,

ξ_m = **Mixing Effectiveness**

σ_0 = **Standard Deviation Entering the Mixer**

σ_1 = **Standard Deviation at Downstream Assessment Plane**



Modified Mixing Effectiveness :

(Provides an improved accounting for the length efficiency of the mixer design and the effect of its placement in a given arrangement)

$$\xi'_m = \frac{\sigma'_1}{\sigma'_0}$$

where,

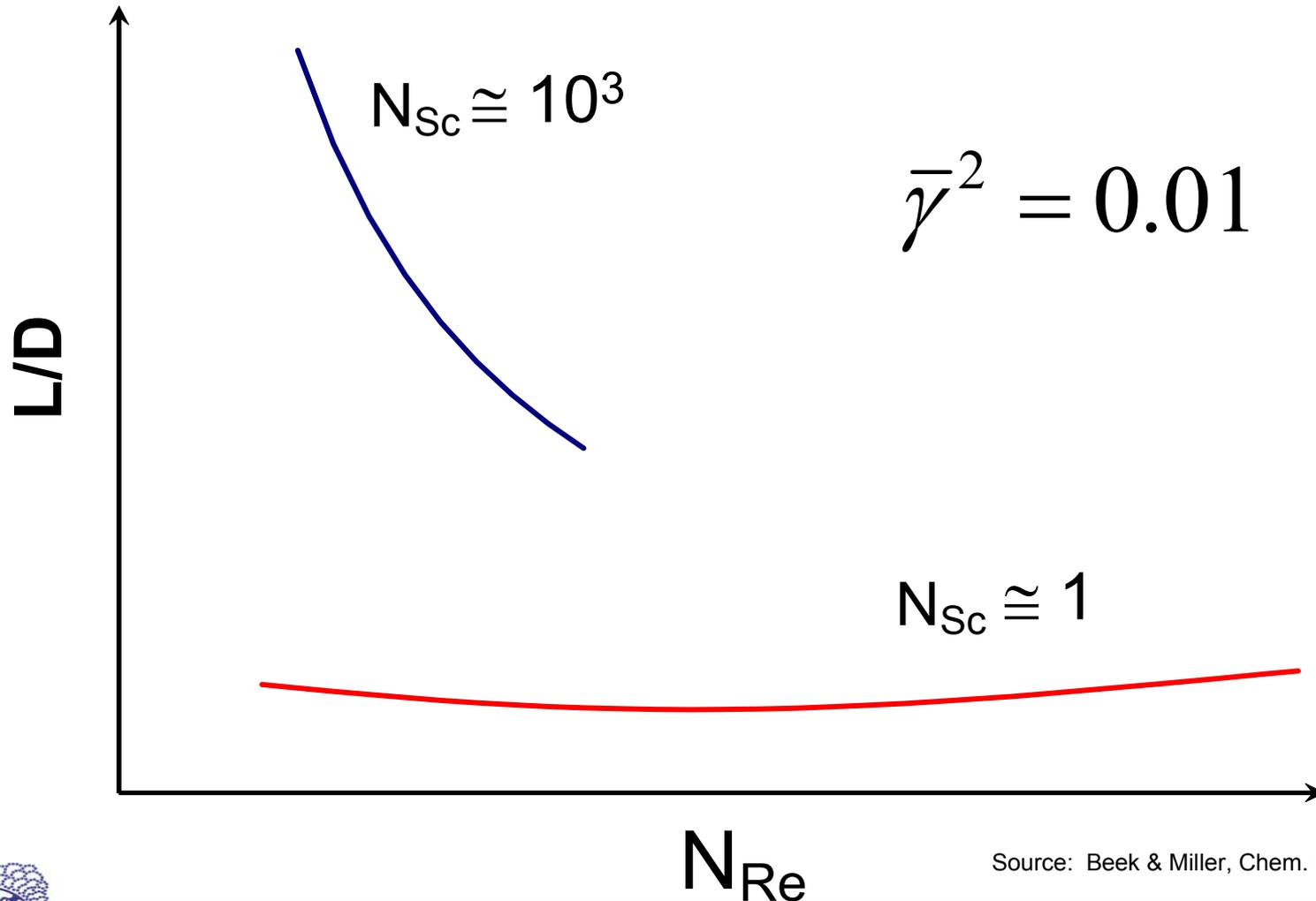
ξ'_m = **Modified Mixing Effectiveness**

σ'_0 = **Std Deviation @ Assessment Plane w/o Mixer**

σ'_1 = **Std Deviation @ Assessment Plane with Mixer**



Theoretical Effect of Reynolds Number



Source: Beek & Miller, Chem. Eng. Prog. 1959



Mixing Efficiency :

Mixer Shock Loss Coefficient

$$\zeta_m = \frac{\Delta P_m}{\frac{\rho V^2}{2}}$$

Mixing Effectiveness Parameter

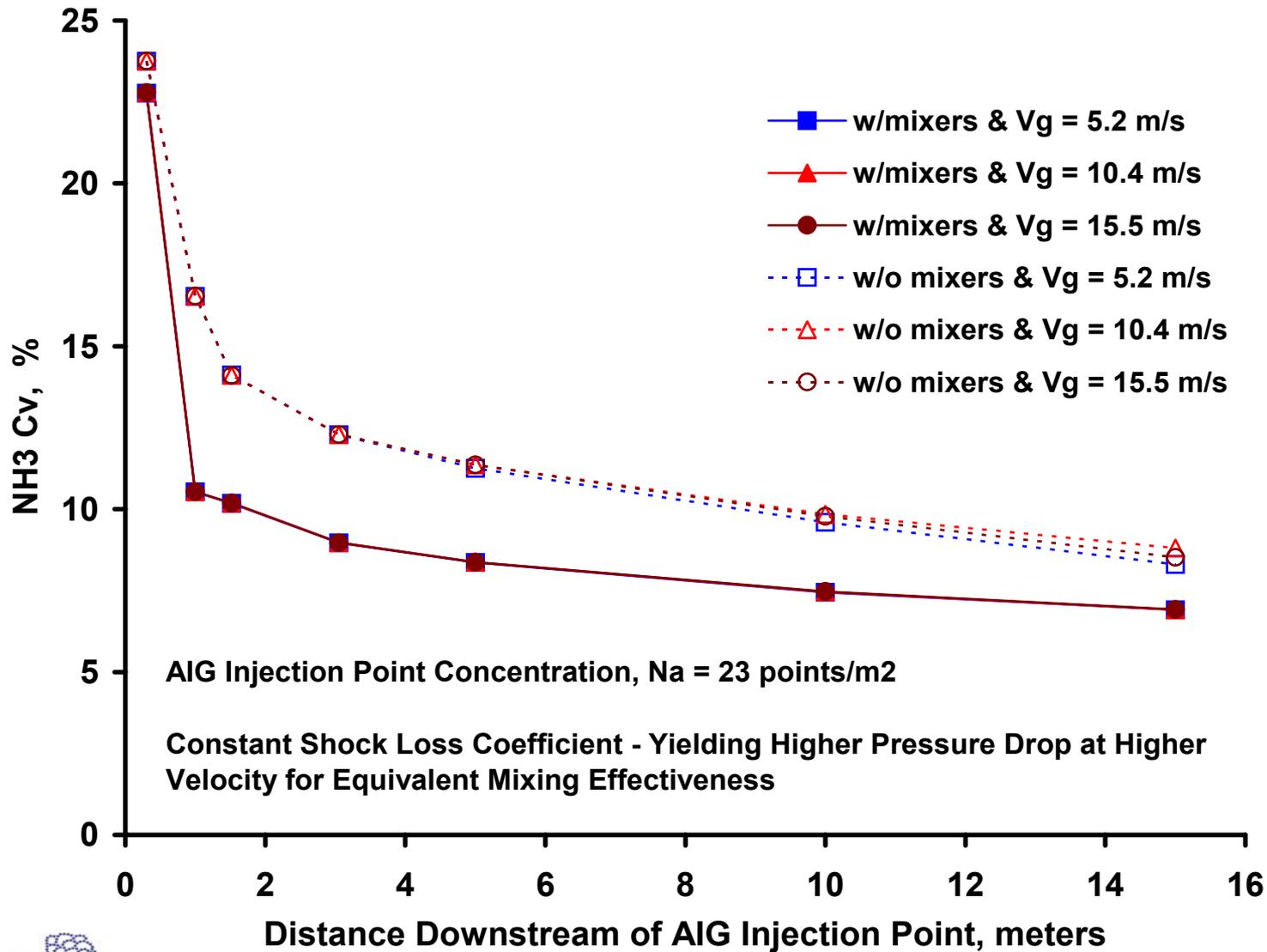
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Dimensionless Mixing Efficiency

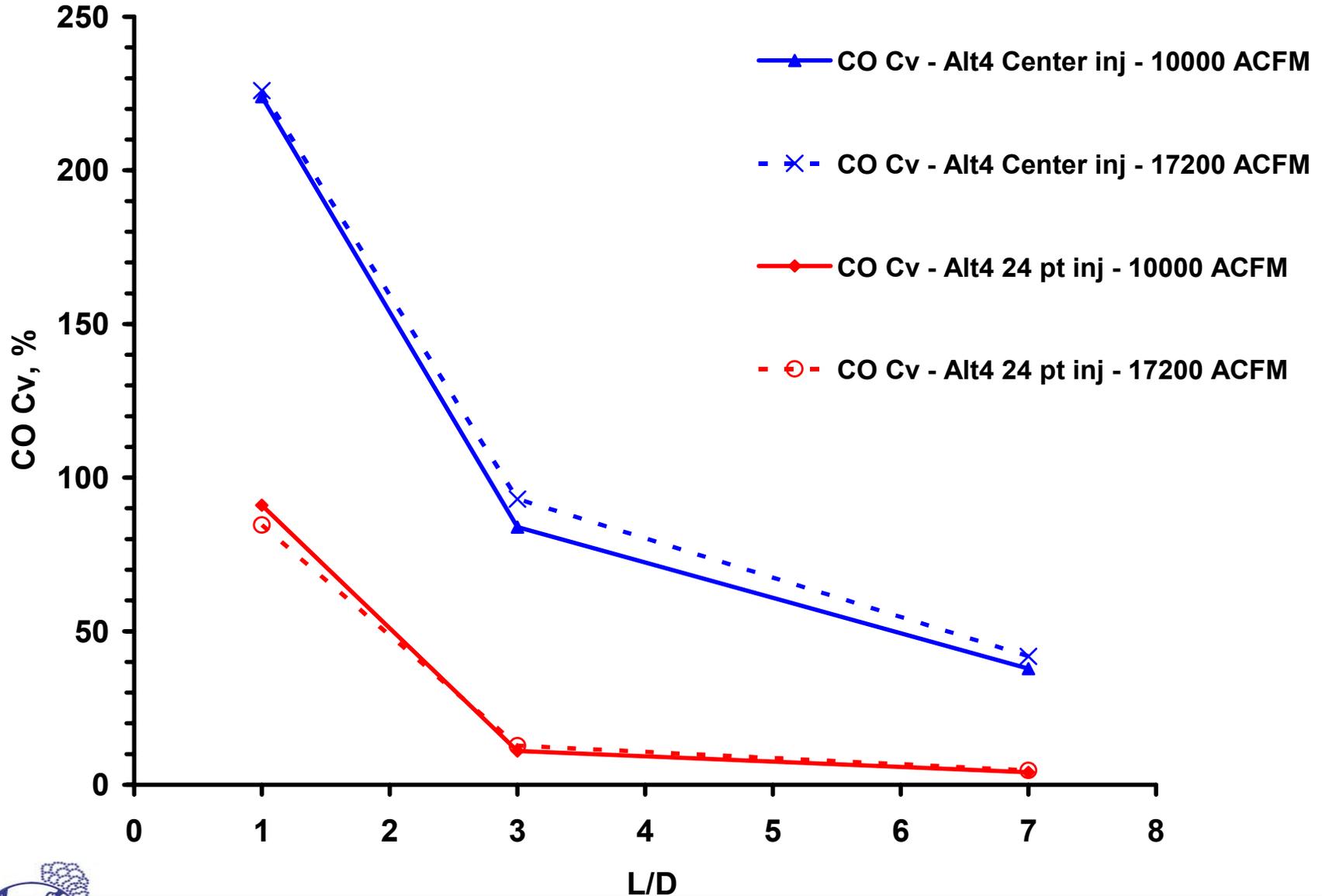
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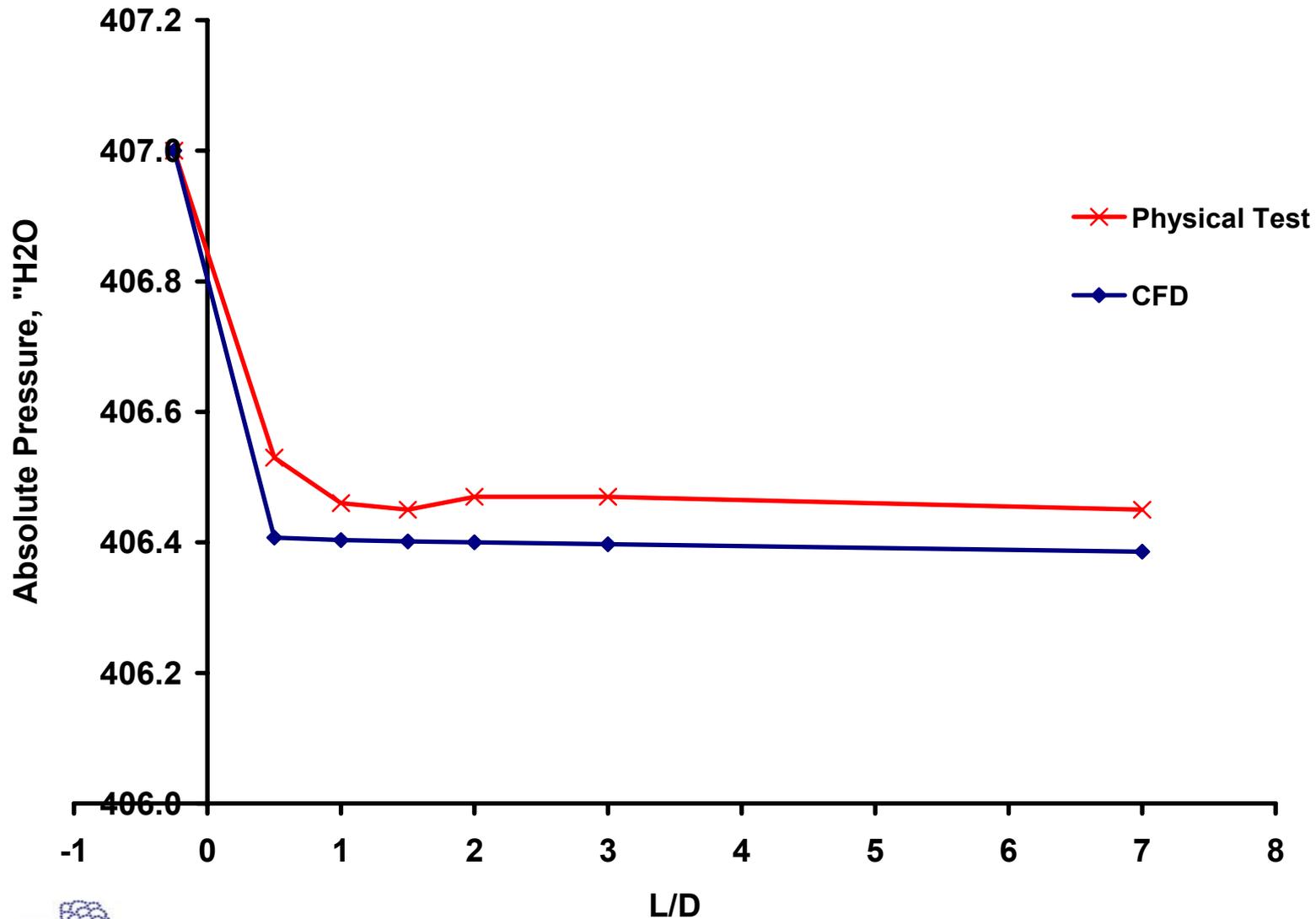
CFD Testing – Effect of Velocity



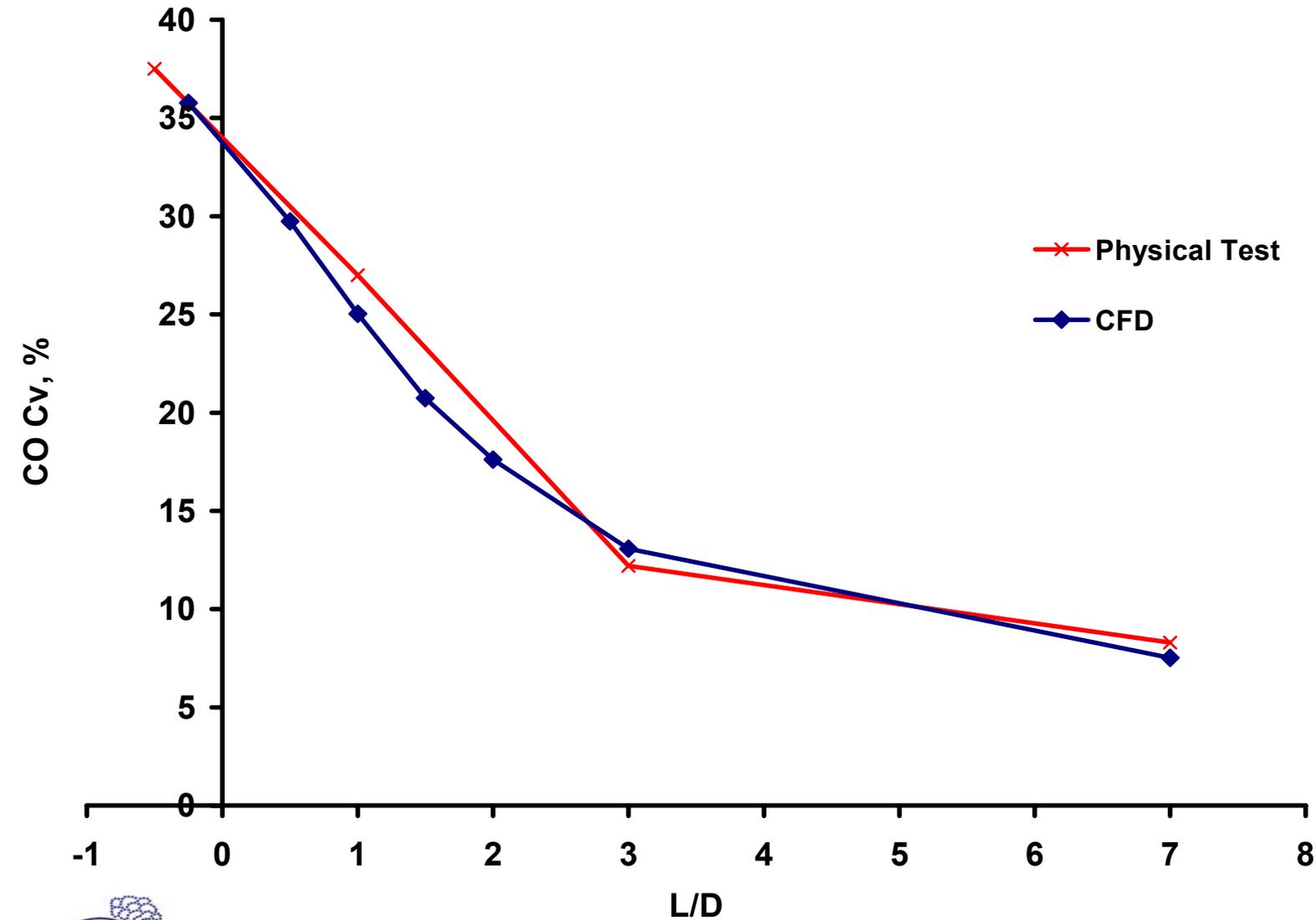
Physical Testing – Effect of Velocity



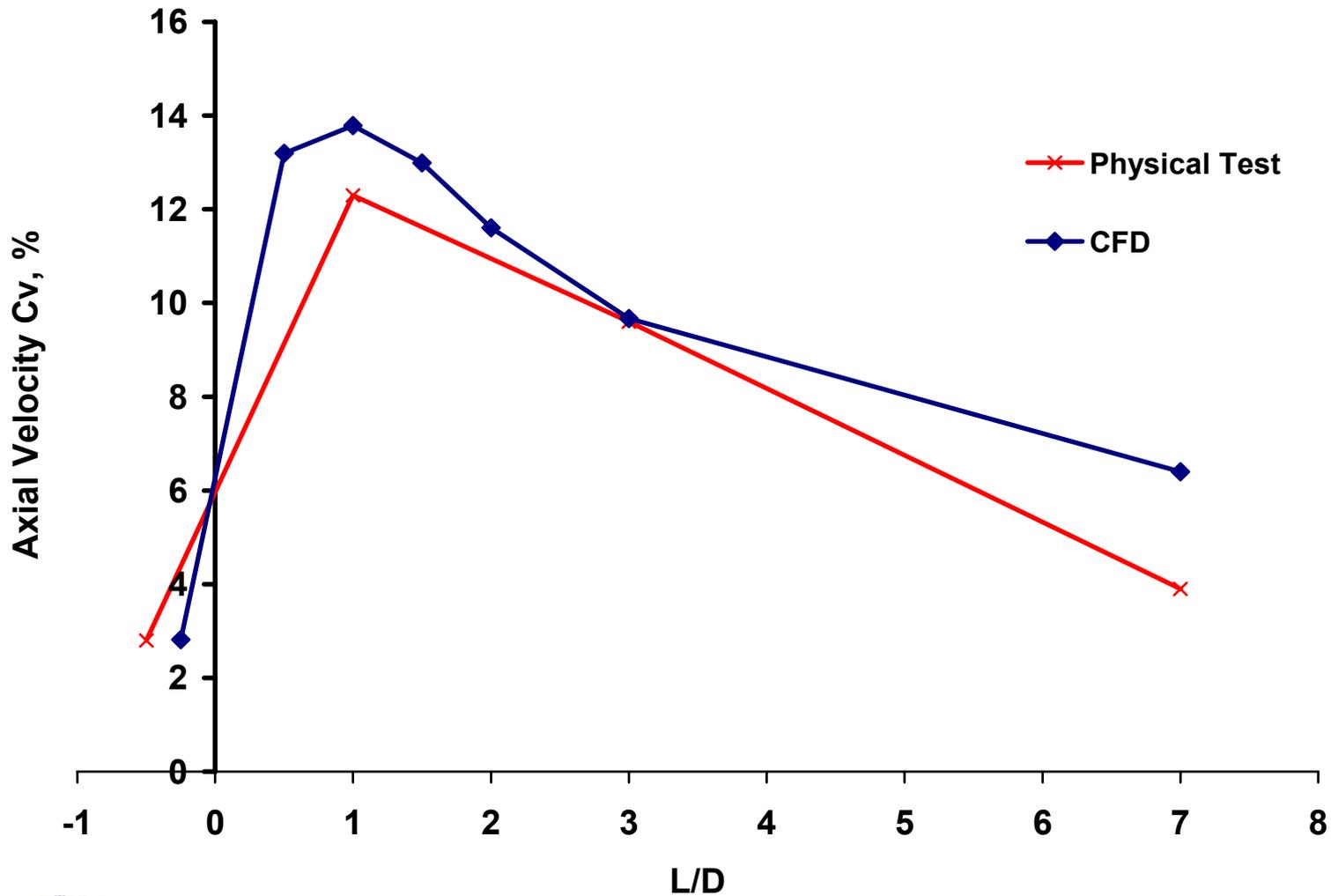
CFD Analysis vs Physical Tests



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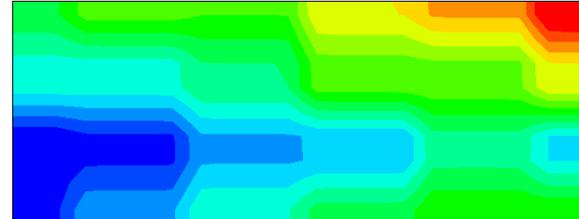
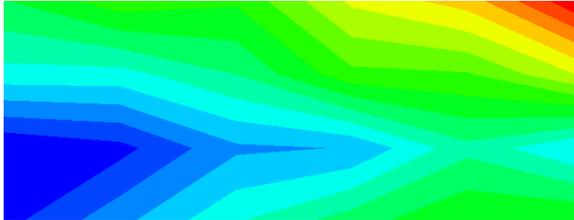


CFD Analysis vs Physical Tests

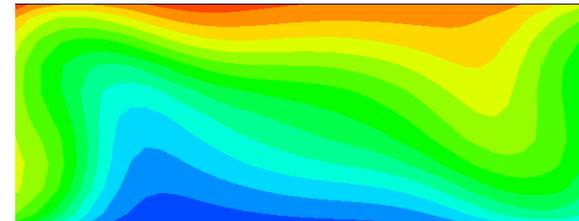
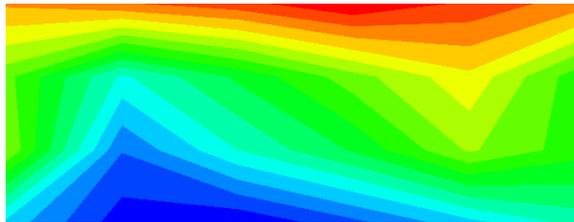
Physical Test Contour*

Numerical Model Contour*

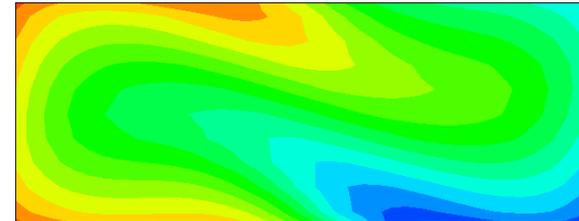
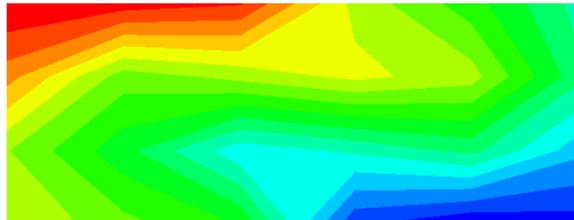
-0.5 Dh



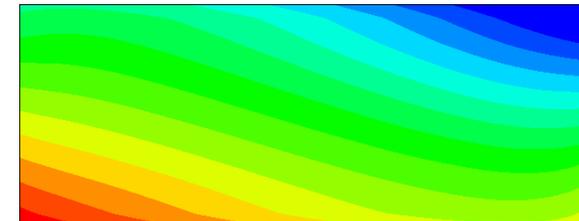
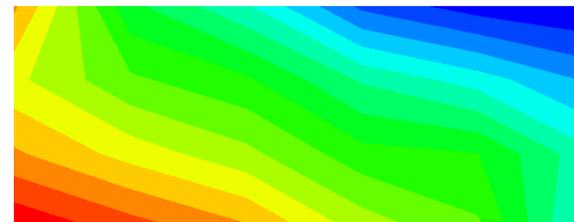
+1.0 Dh



+3.0 Dh



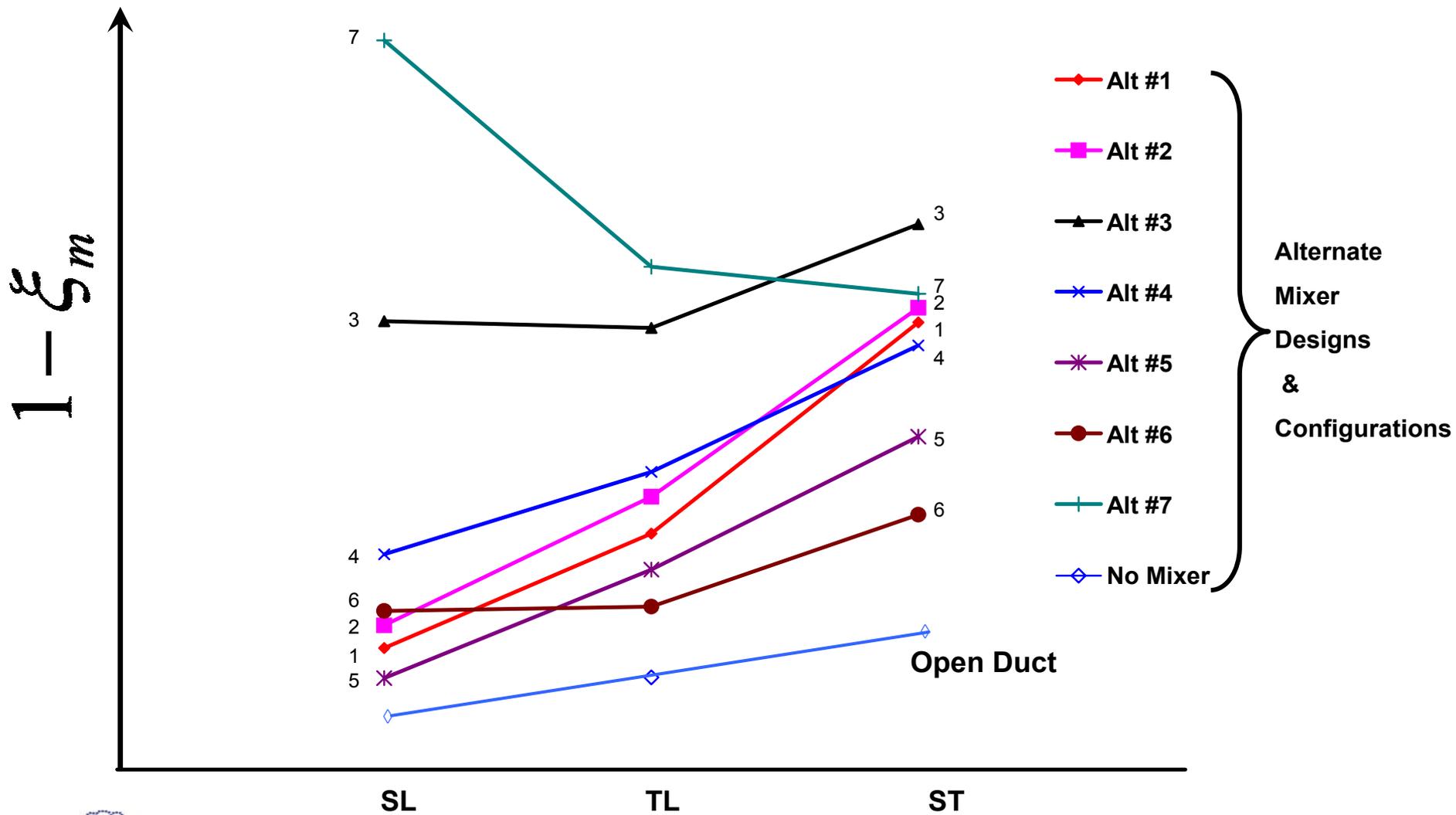
+7.0 Dh



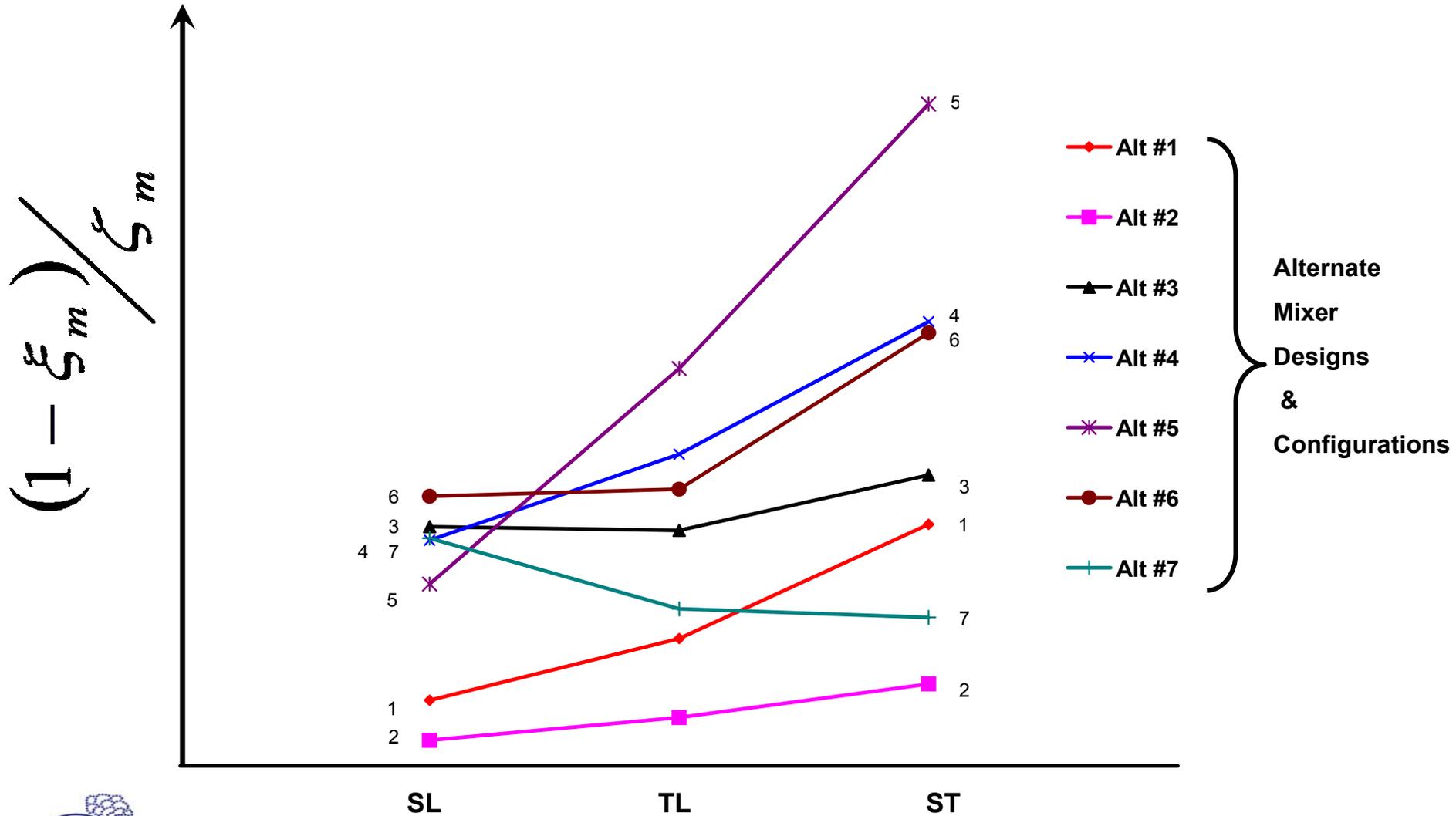
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Mixer Design Effectiveness



Mixer Design Efficiency



Example Targeted Optimization Areas

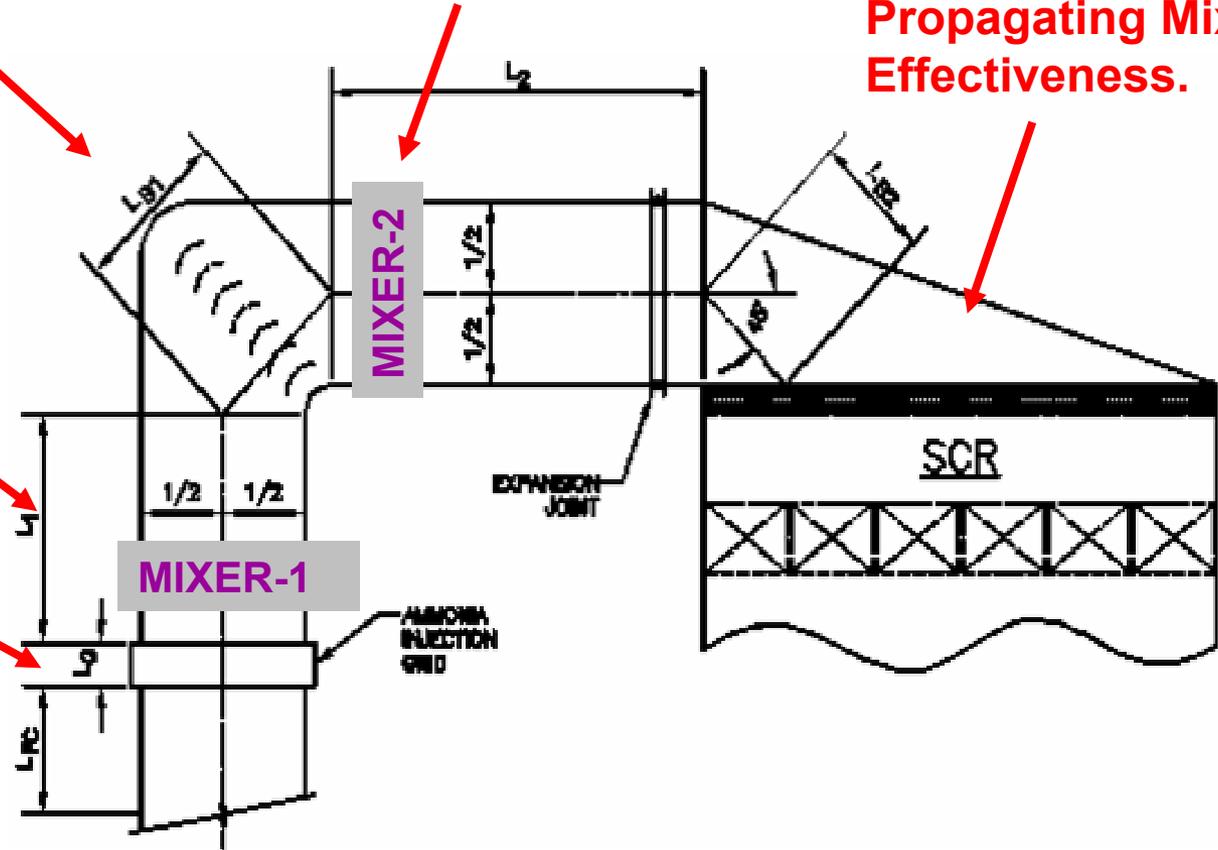
If Needed, Second Mixer Optimized Against Upstream Mixer, Bend Design, and Proximity to Downstream Reactor Hood.

Optimize Hood and Internal Vanes to Correct Flow while Propagating Mixing Effectiveness.

Bend Design Optimized to Propagate Mixing Effectiveness and/or Feed Second Mixer

Mixer Optimized with AIG Design for Efficient Use of Energy and Downstream Length

AIG Optimized for Upstream Gas Flow Profiles; Controllable Zones vs Na vs Vcv, vs V Profile



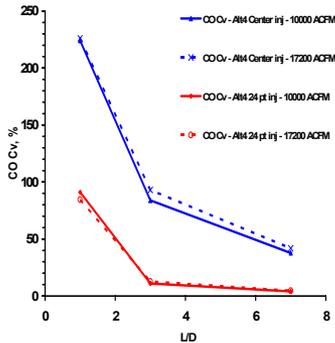
Summary



Optimization requires a scorecard.

Standardized procedures and parameters that characterize performance with regard to energy and length efficiency is critical.

(Need to measure to be able to improve and manipulate a design)

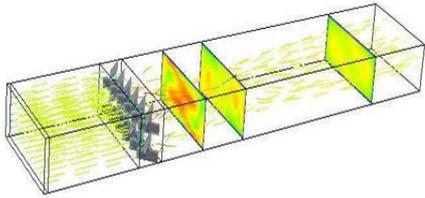


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Consider dimensionless parameters where useful & practical.



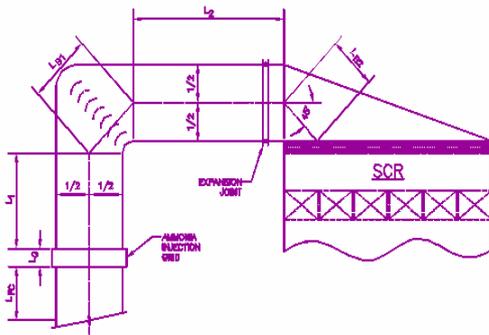
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Validated numerical models allow early optimization and facilitate the development of simplified formula.



Refine Validations against Field Measurements.



As practical, allow overall flue arrangement, bend, internal vane, damper, AIG, mixer and hood designs to compete with each other.





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