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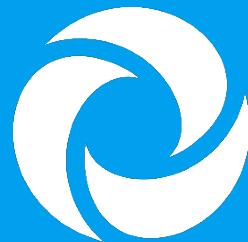
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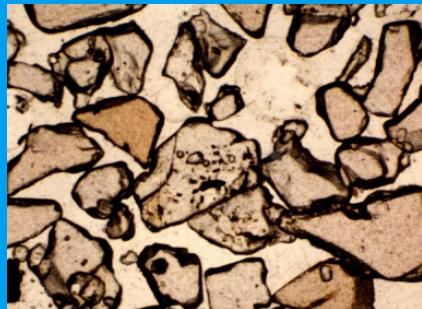
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Amsterdam Water Cycle Company

- Drinking Water
- Waste Water
- Water Systems



Drinking water production processes

- Filtration
- Fluidisation
- Sedimentation

Natural granular particles



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Drinking water softening

Chemical CaCO_3 crystallisation (caustic soda)

Fluidisation reactors (Liquid-Solid)

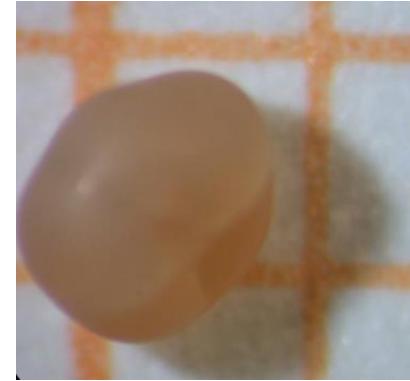


Drinking water softening (linear economy)

Seeding material → marble pellets



0,3 mm



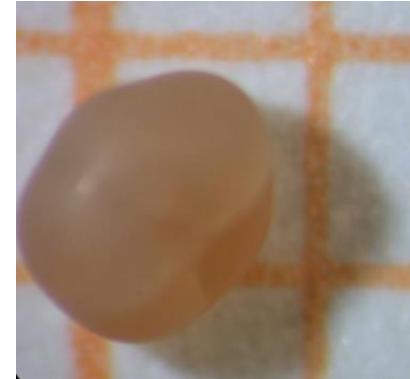
1.0 mm

Drinking water softening (linear economy)

Seeding material → marble pellets



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1.0 mm

500 t/y raw material → 8000 t/y waste material



1g velocity of natural particles applied in
drinking water treatment processes

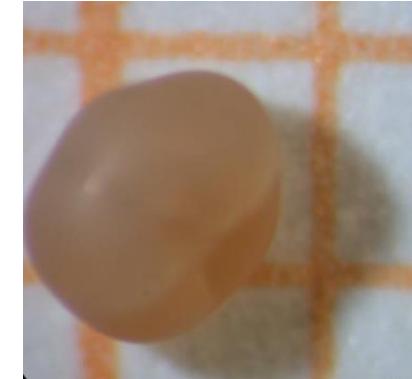


Drinking water softening (Waternet CO₂ neutral in 2020)

Seeding material → marble pellets



0.8 mm



1.0 mm

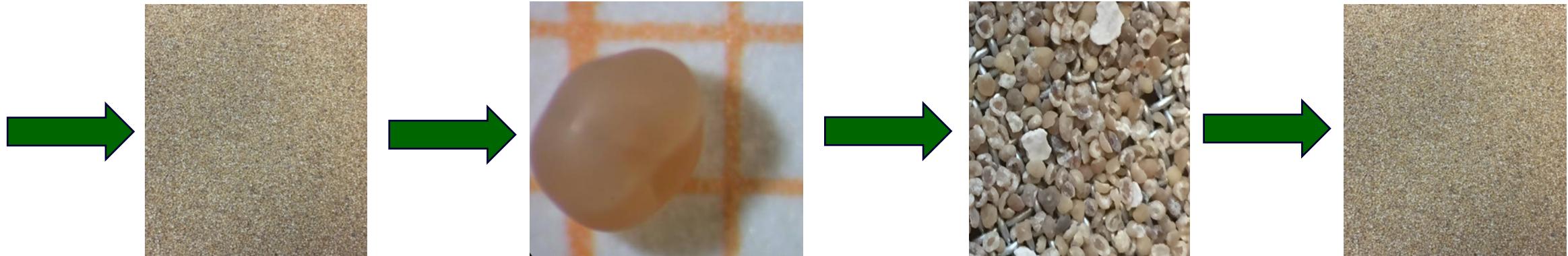
500 t/y new material → 8000 t/y waste material



1g velocity of natural particles applied in
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Drinking water softening (circular economy)

Seeding material → marble pellets → grinding → sieving



Re-using

Valorisation

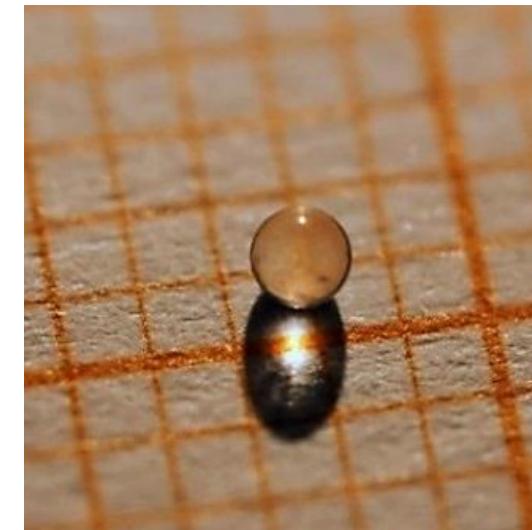
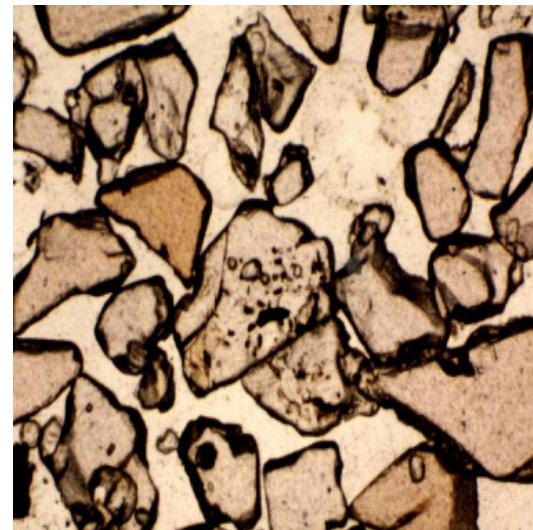
e.g. glass, paper, carpet etc.





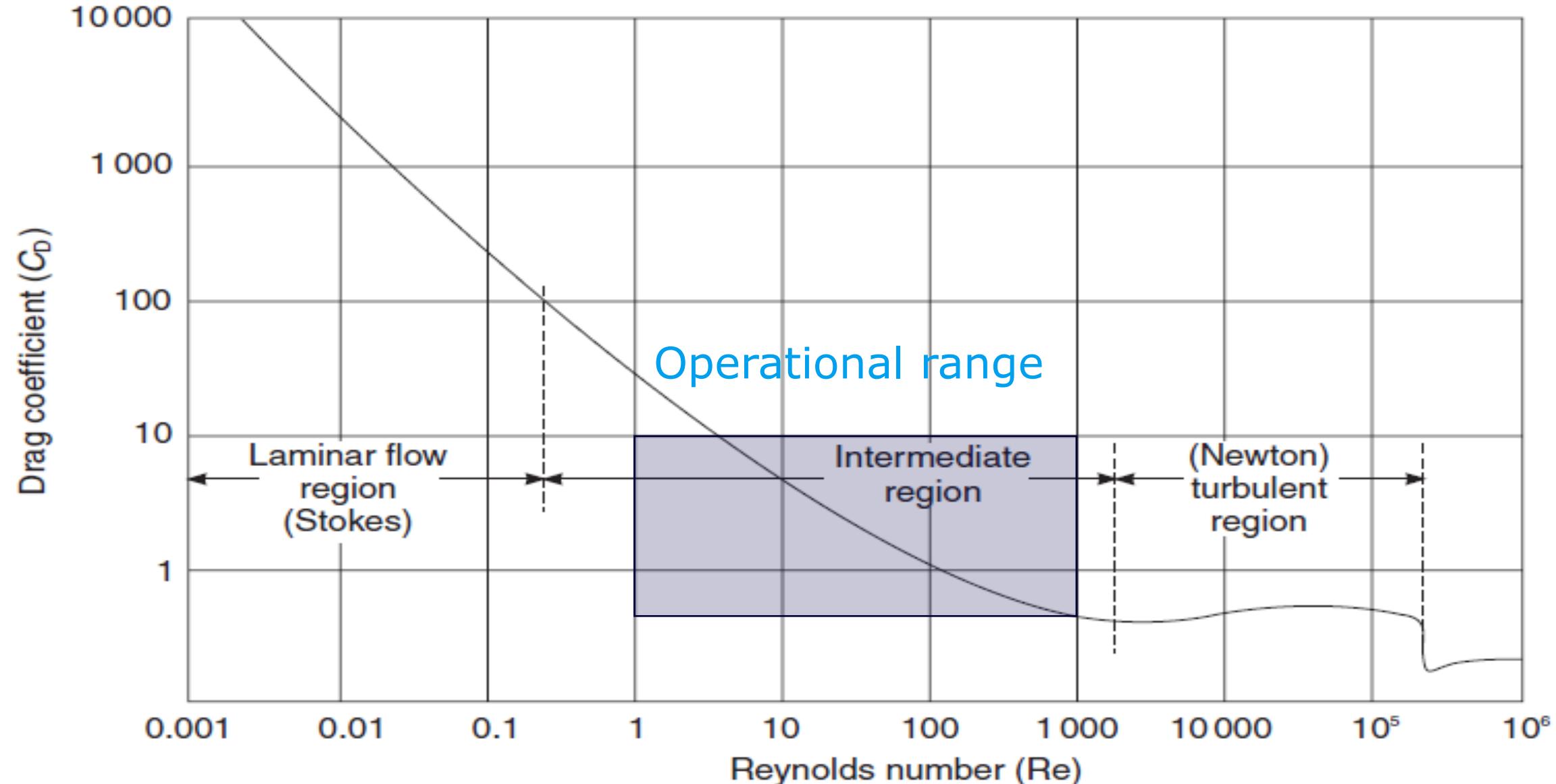
Research aim (after process changes)

Investigating the hydraulic behaviour of imperfectly round spheres in drinking water treatment processes

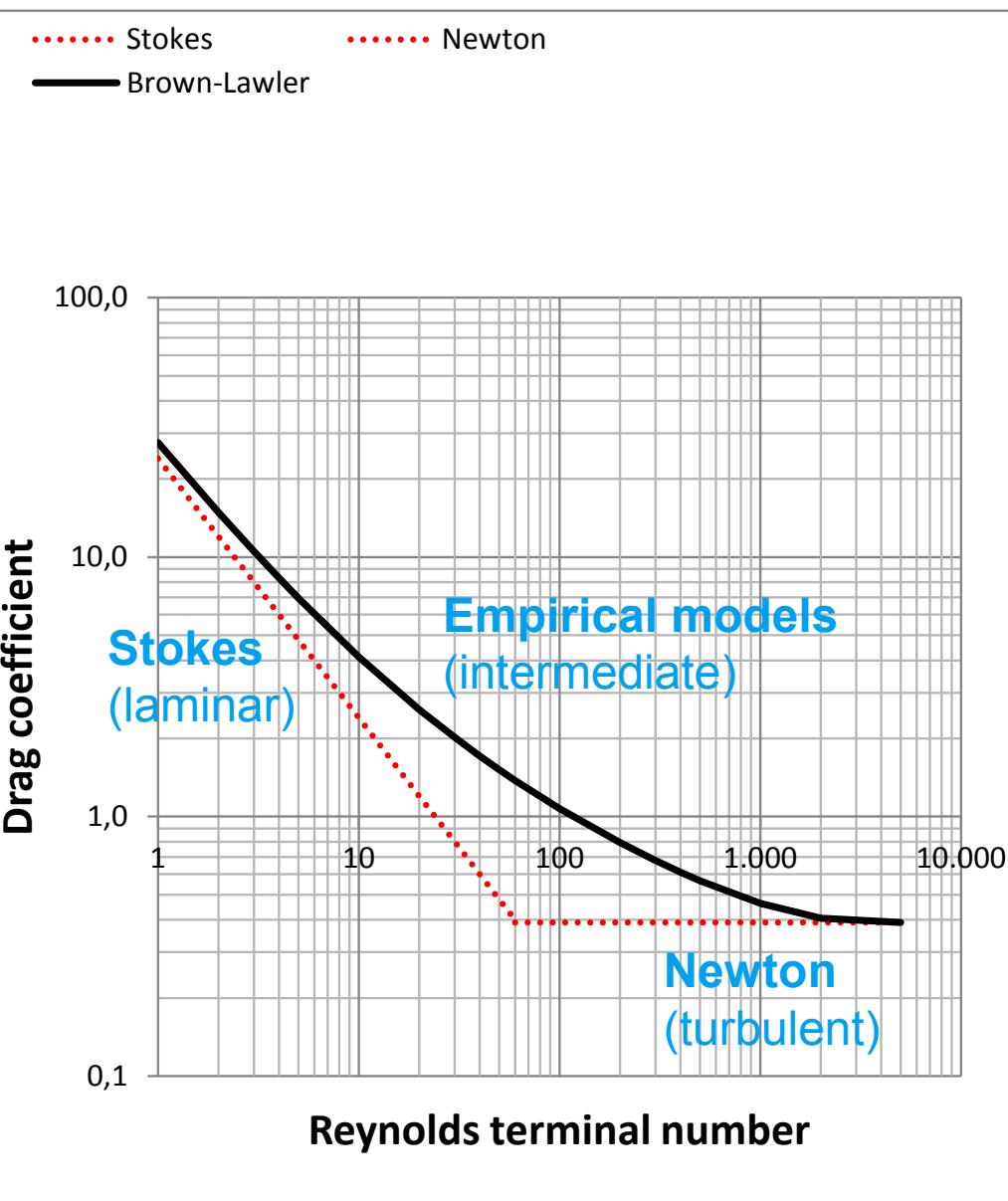




(1/2) Literature study (drag versus Reynolds)



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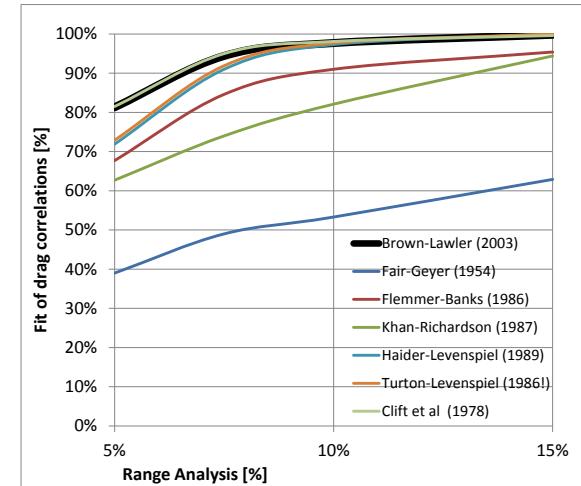
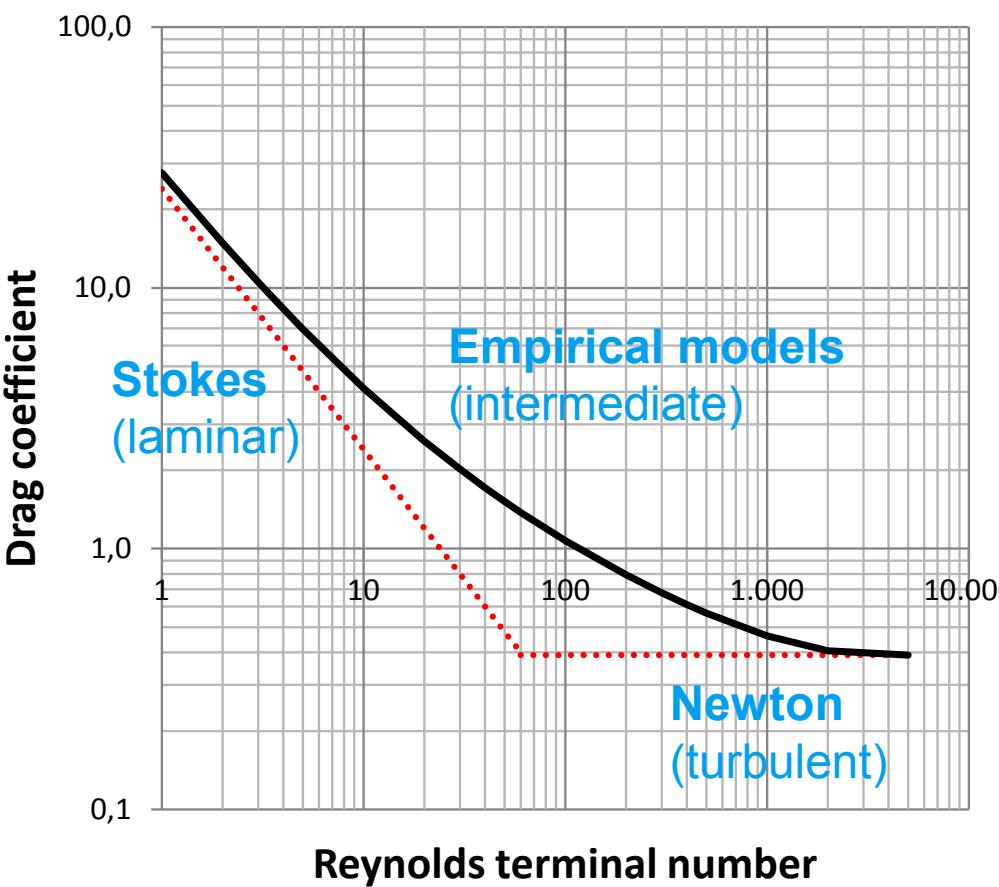


- Terminal settling theory
 - Laminar (Stokes)
 - Turbulent (Newton)
- Many prediction models
 - Intermediate regime
 - For perfect round spheres
 - +/-5% accuracy

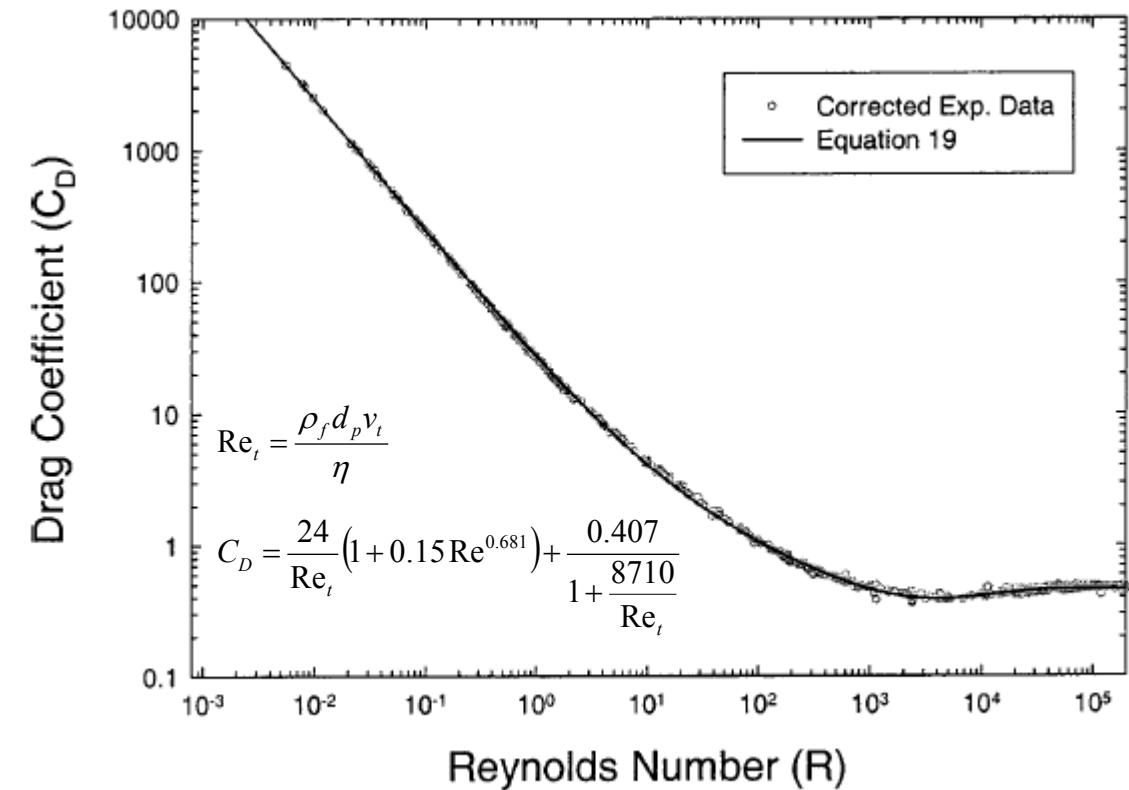


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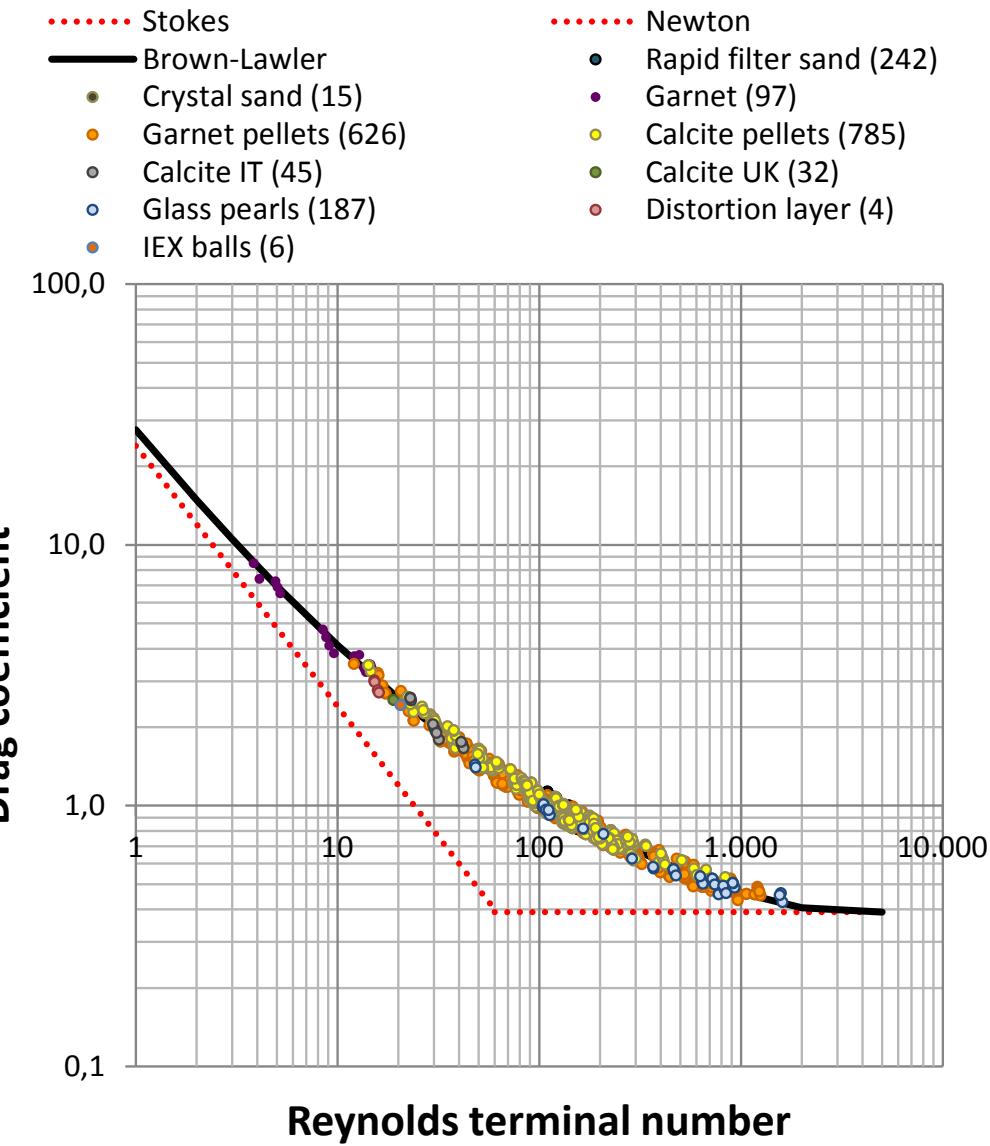
Stokes
Brown-Lawler



- Brown-Lawler (2003)



(2/2) Experimental data



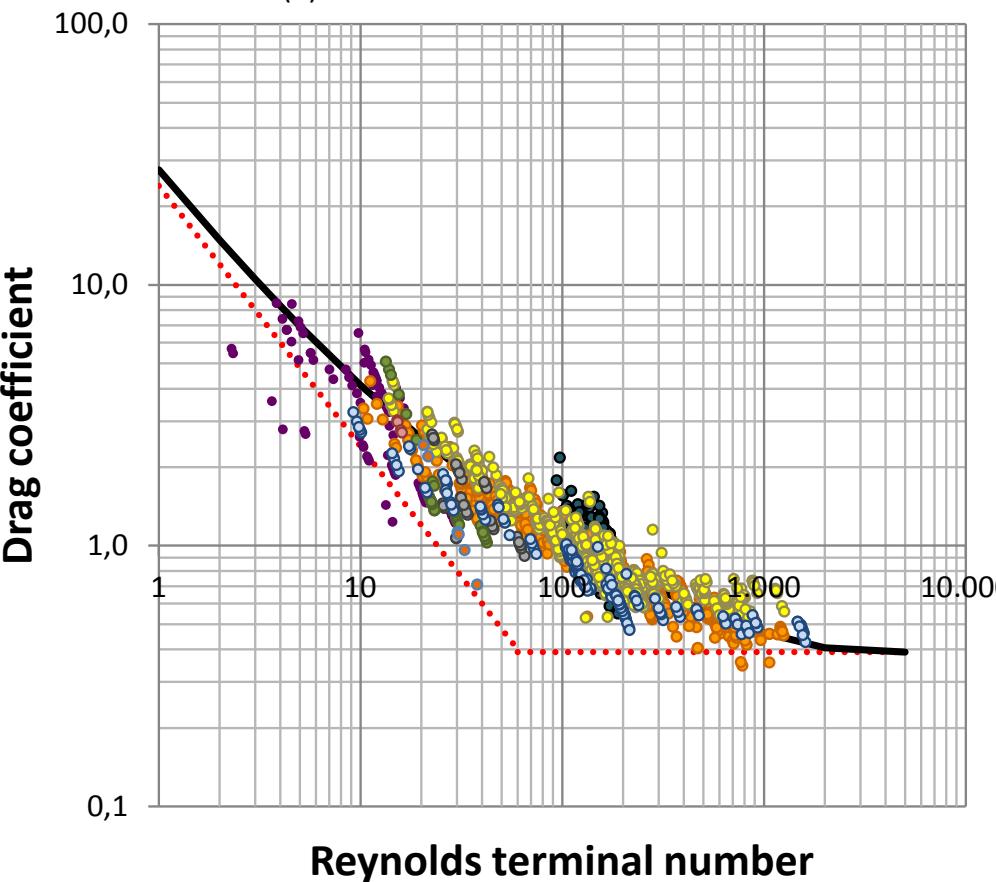
10%
N = 1046

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(2/2) Experimental data

- Stokes
- Brown-Lawler
- Crystal sand (15)
- Garnet pellets (626)
- Calcite IT (45)
- Glass pearls (187)
- IEX balls (6)
- Newton
- Rapid filter sand (242)
- Garnet (97)
- Calcite pellets (785)
- Calcite UK (32)
- Distortion layer (4)



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Explanation of deviation

Deviation caused by variation in:

- Gravitational acceleration $\pm 0.1\%$
- Specific particle density $\pm 0.4\%$
- Fluid viscosity and density (temperature) $\pm 1.0\%$
- Particle size (sieve diameter) $\pm 10\%$
- Particle dimension, (shape, properties and orientation) $\pm 15\%$



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Take home messages (optional)



Use **all** your data

Be careful with filtering or eliminating less accurate data
Before fitting your data, try to explain derivative deviation
From deviation useful information can be retrieved
Take deviation into account when predicting or designing processes

Use proven models:

*** Water treatment granular particles
Hydraulic behaviour of round spheres can accurately be calculated
Natural particles behave differently than perfectly round spheres
The measured deviation can decisively be explained
In particular particle shape causes distinguished hydraulic behaviour

Thank you for your attention

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