

Granular friction in a wide range of shear rates

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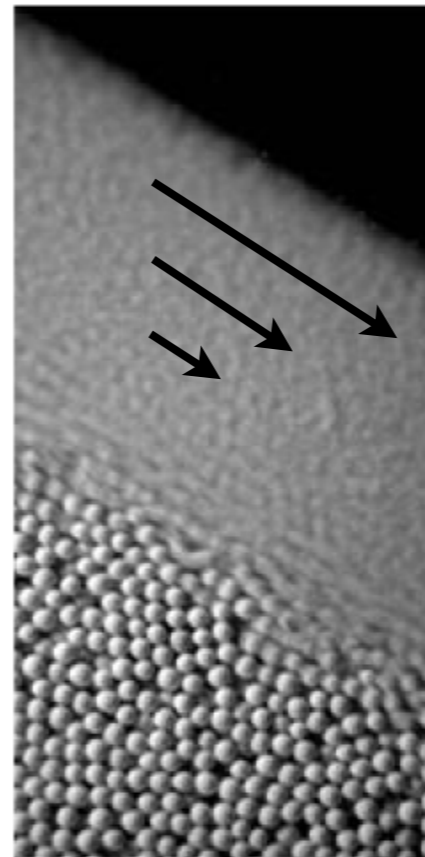
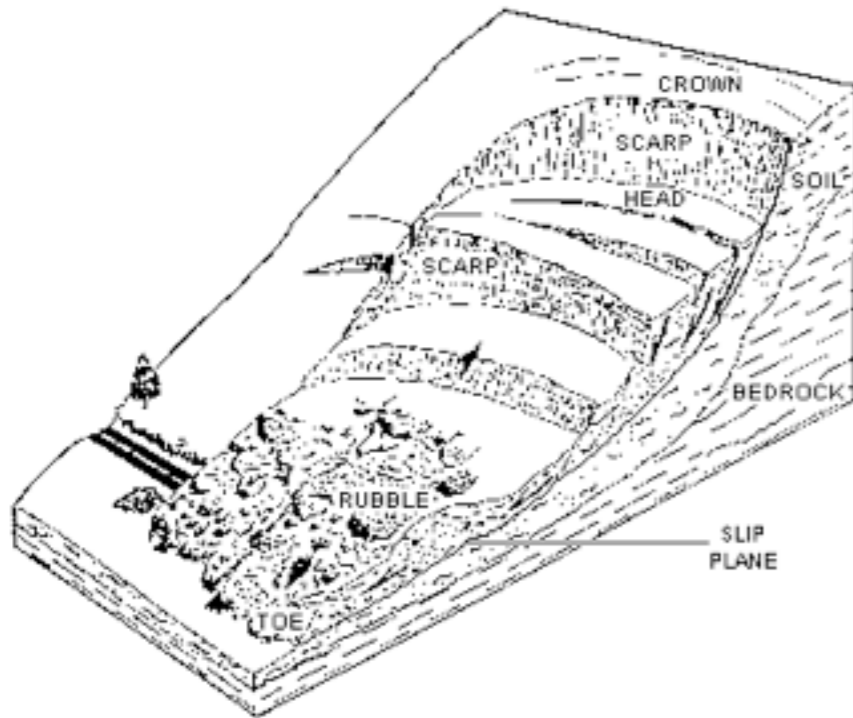
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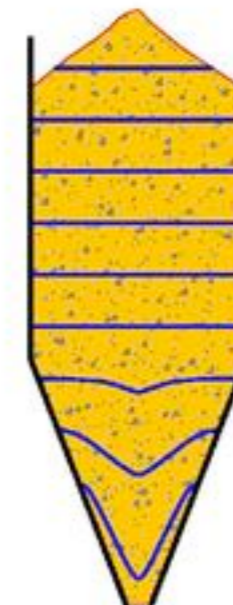
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granular friction: examples



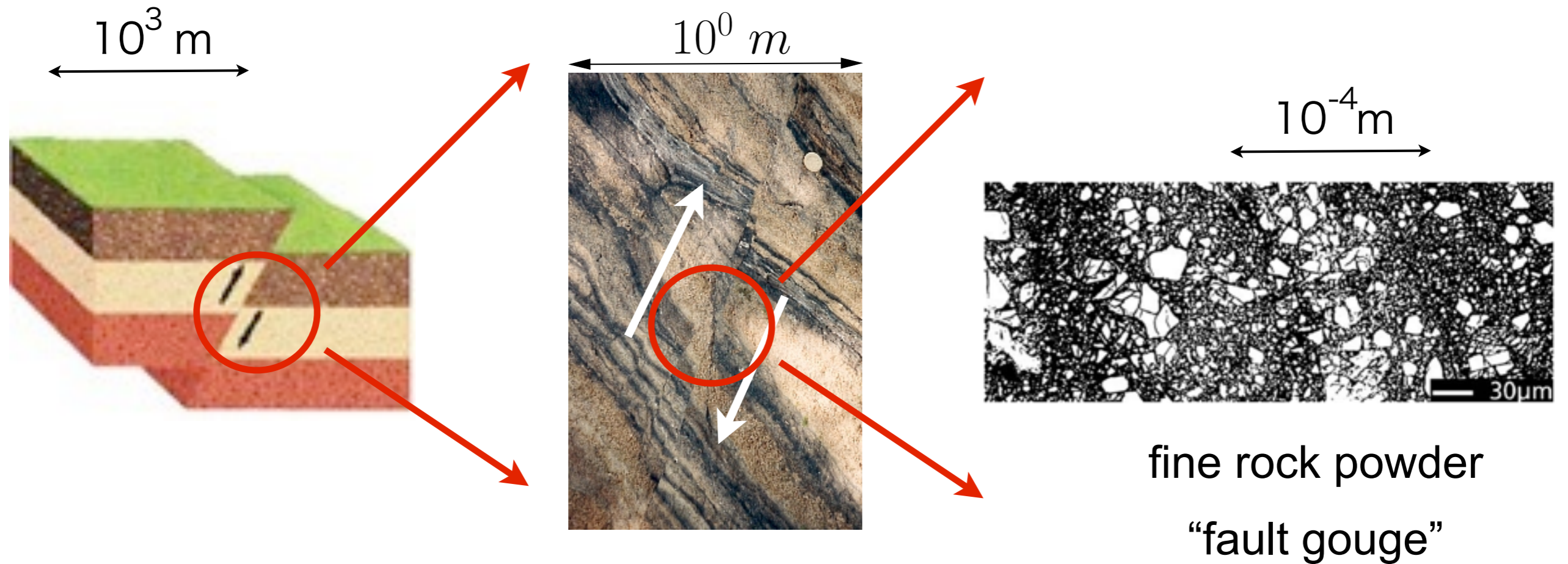
MASS FLOW



FUNNEL FLOW



friction of fault



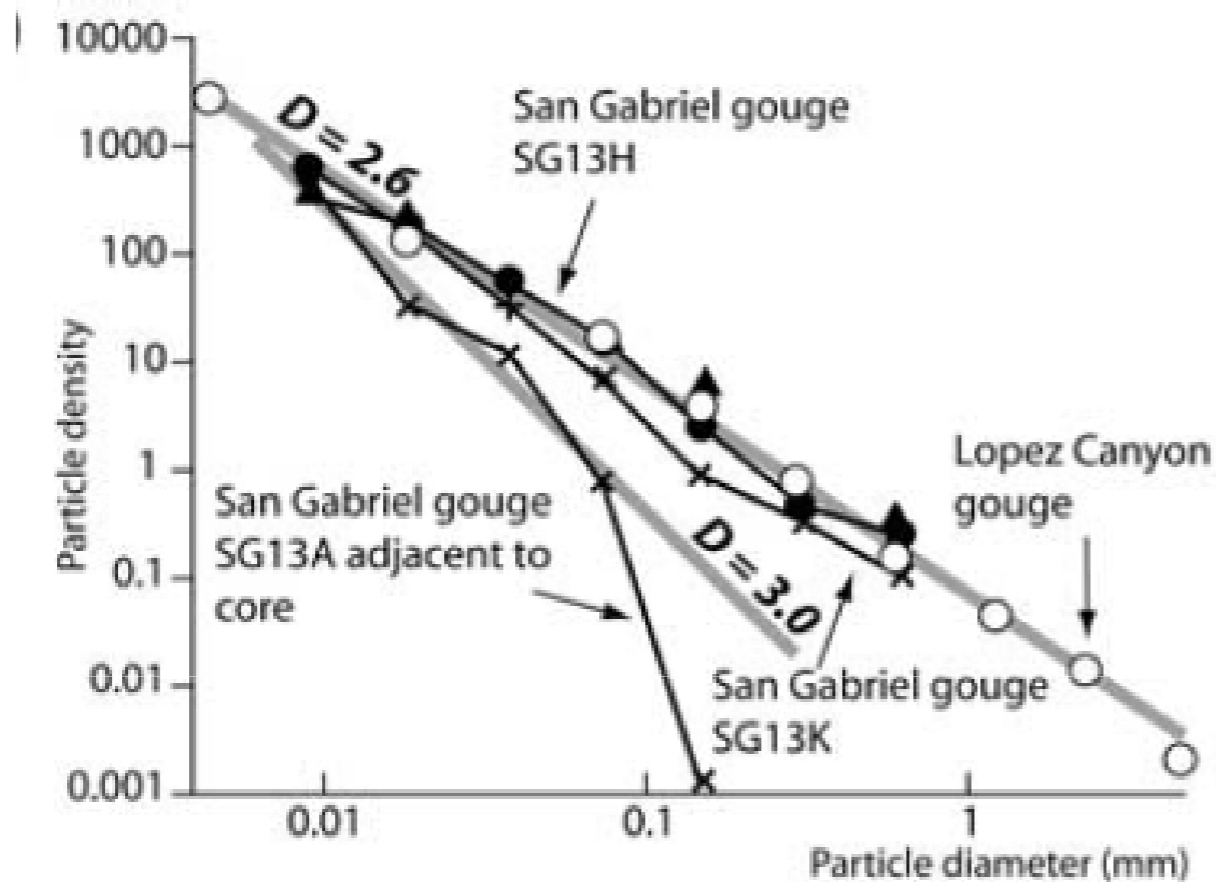
friction of fault

friction of granular matter

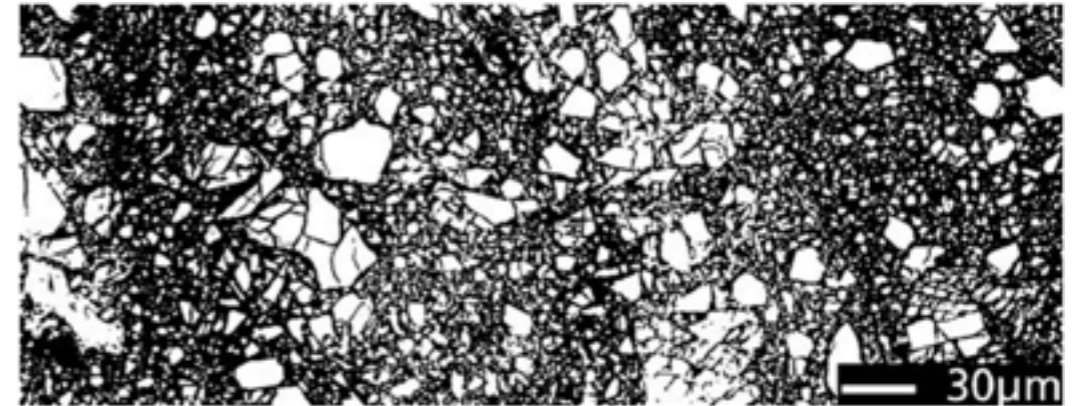
(microscopic basis)

character of "fault gouge"

particle size distribution is power-law (fractal)



(Chester & Chester 1993)



(Heilbronner & Keulen 2006)

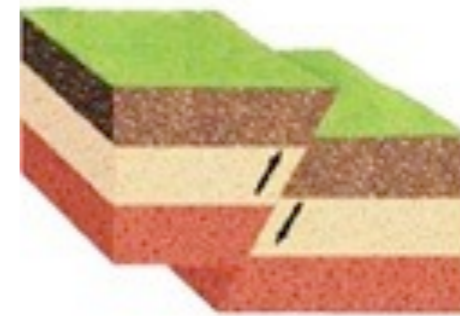
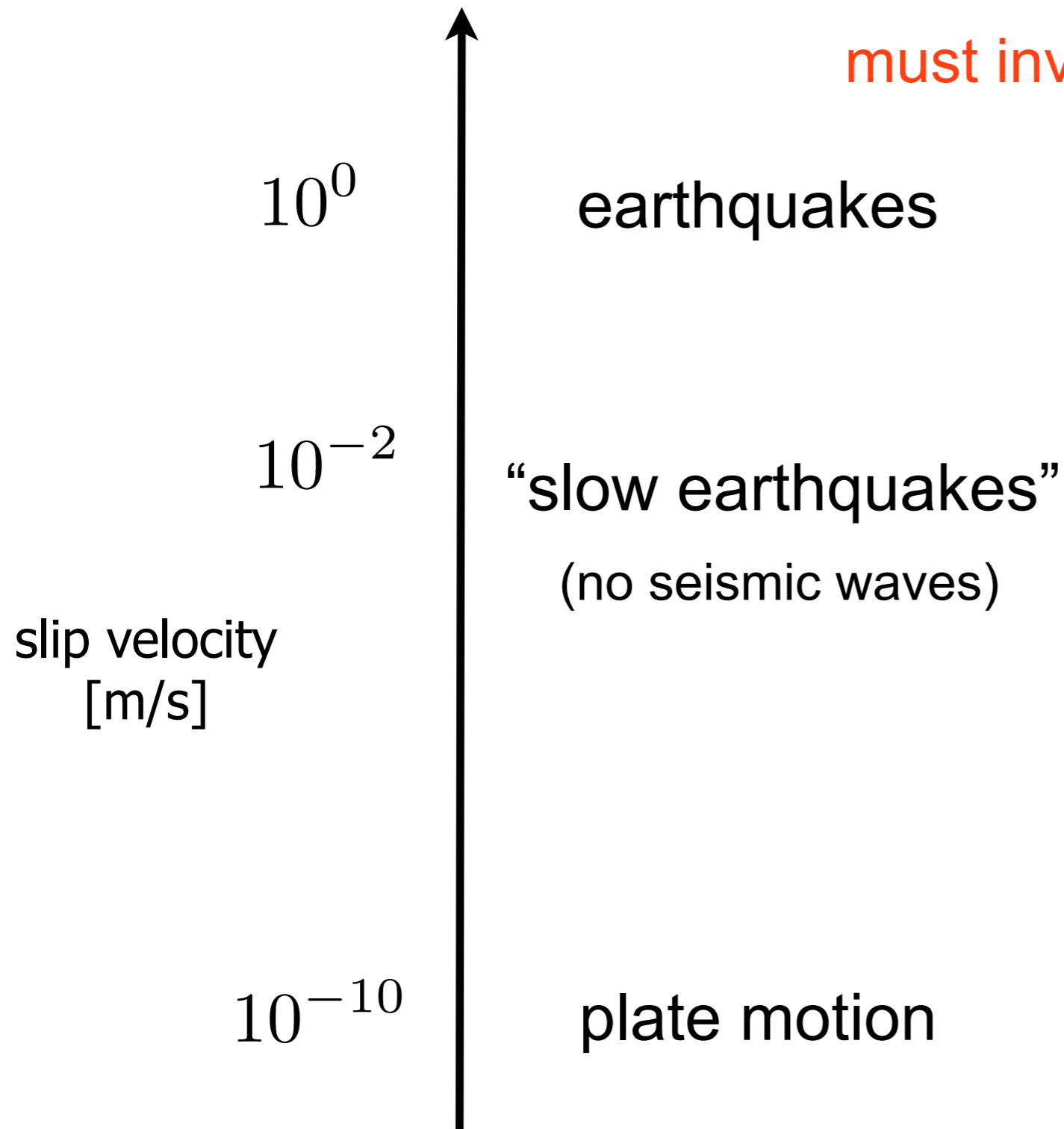
exponent 2.5 to 3.0

numerous sub-micron particles

very different from industrial situation!

velocity range of fault motion

must investigate a very wide range



note:
shear rate depends on
shear-band thickness

(thickness < 10cm)

→ $10^{-9} \leq \dot{\gamma} \leq 10^1$

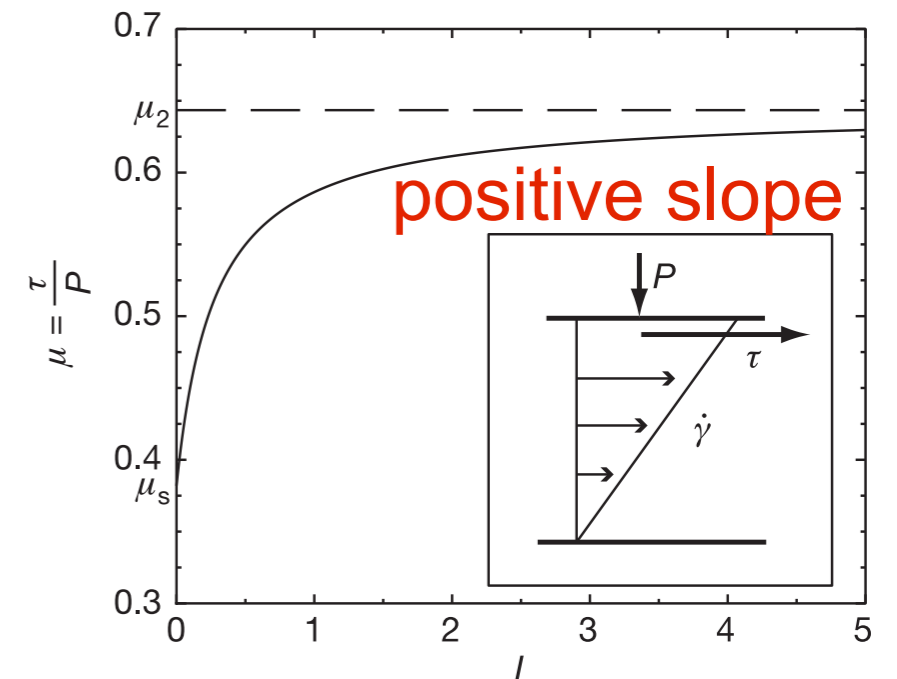
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granular friction: an empirical law

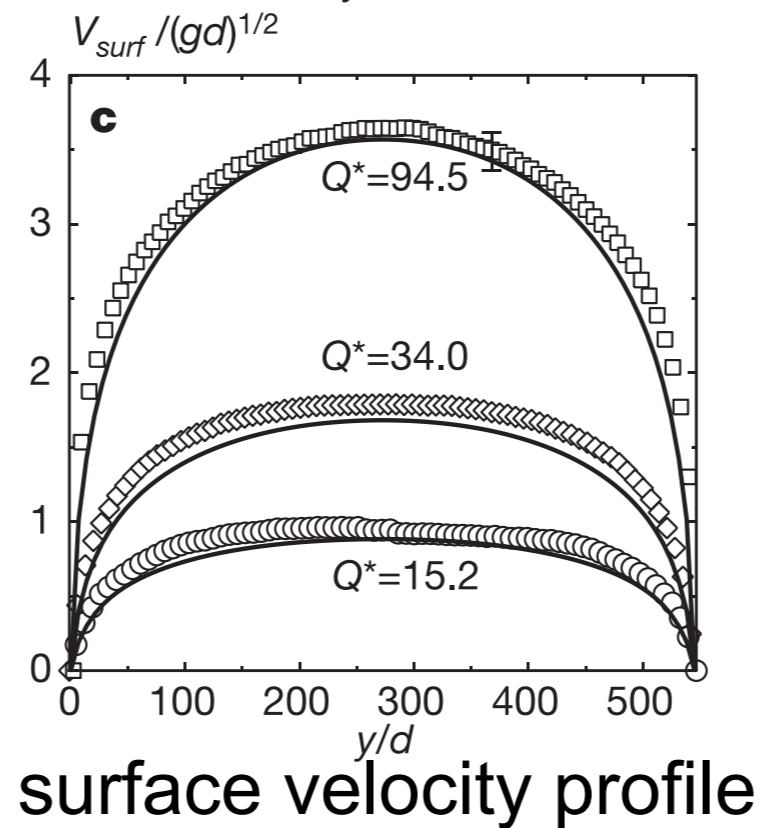
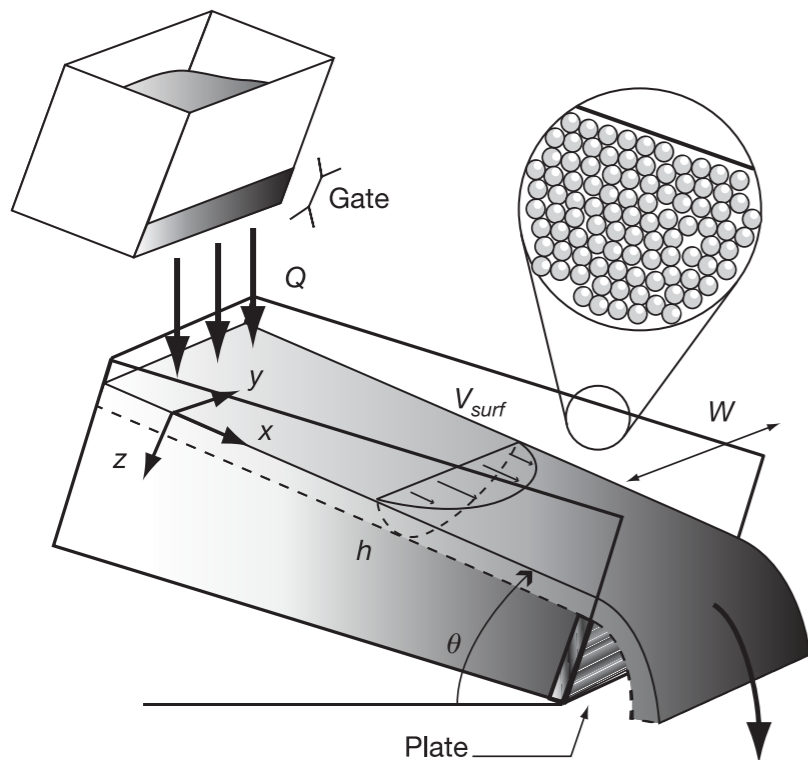
$$\mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I + 1}$$

$$I \equiv \dot{\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{m}{Pd}} \quad \text{“inertial number”}$$

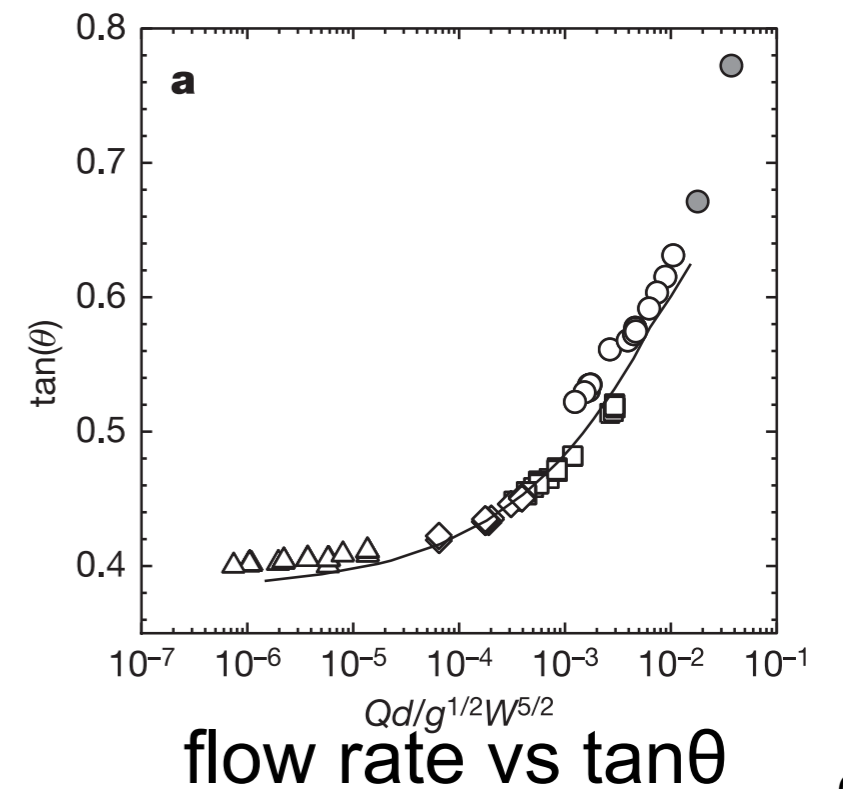
Jop et al. JFM 2005; Jop et al. Nature 2006



... works well for large inertial number; $I=O(1)$

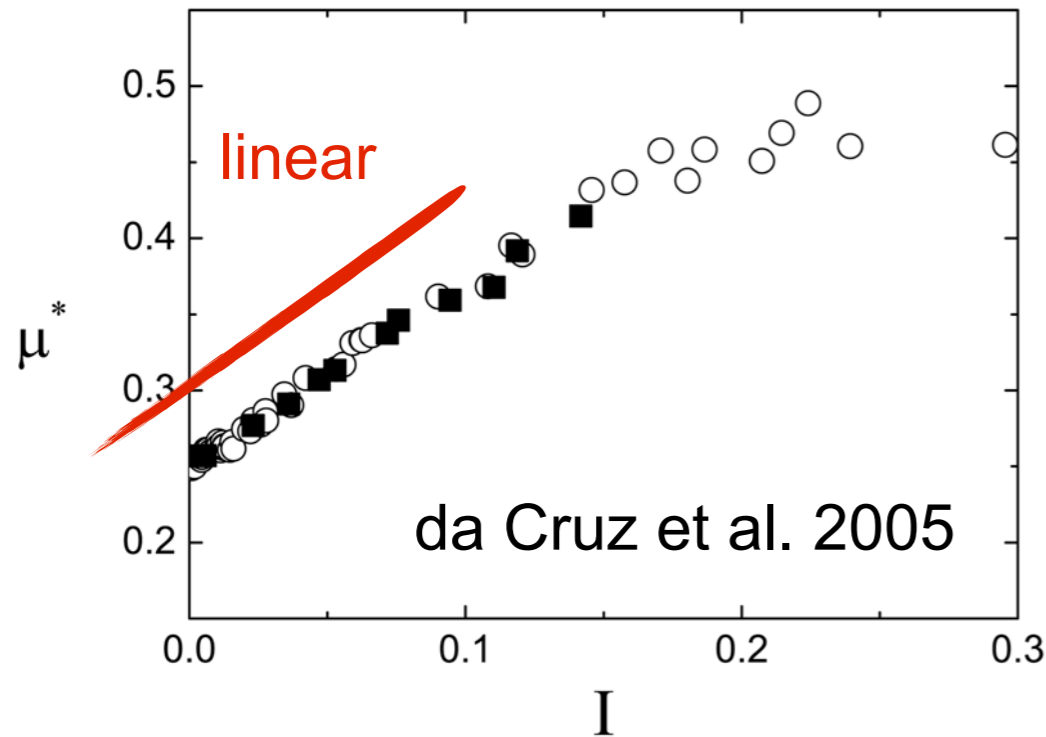


surface velocity profile



flow rate vs $\tan\theta$

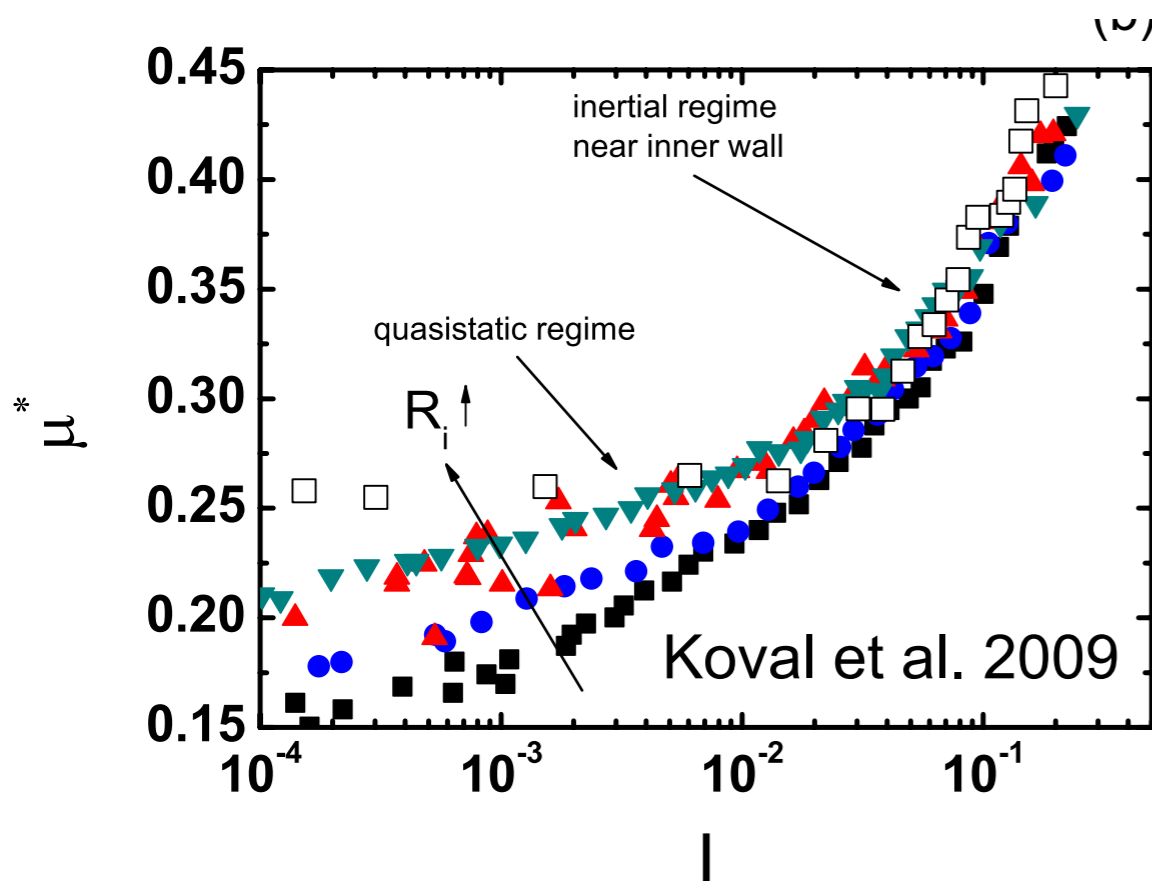
granular friction: numerical experiment



consistent with Pouliquen's law

$$\mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I + 1}$$

$$\xrightarrow{I \ll 1} \mu(I) \simeq \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0} I$$



size-dependence <-- nonlocal effect

(Kamrin's talk)

positive slopes only $I \geq 10^{-4}$

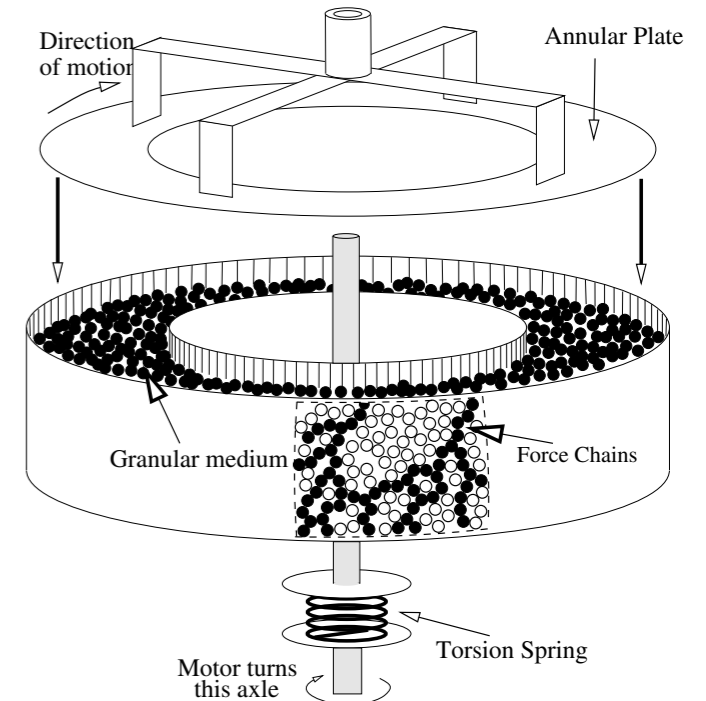
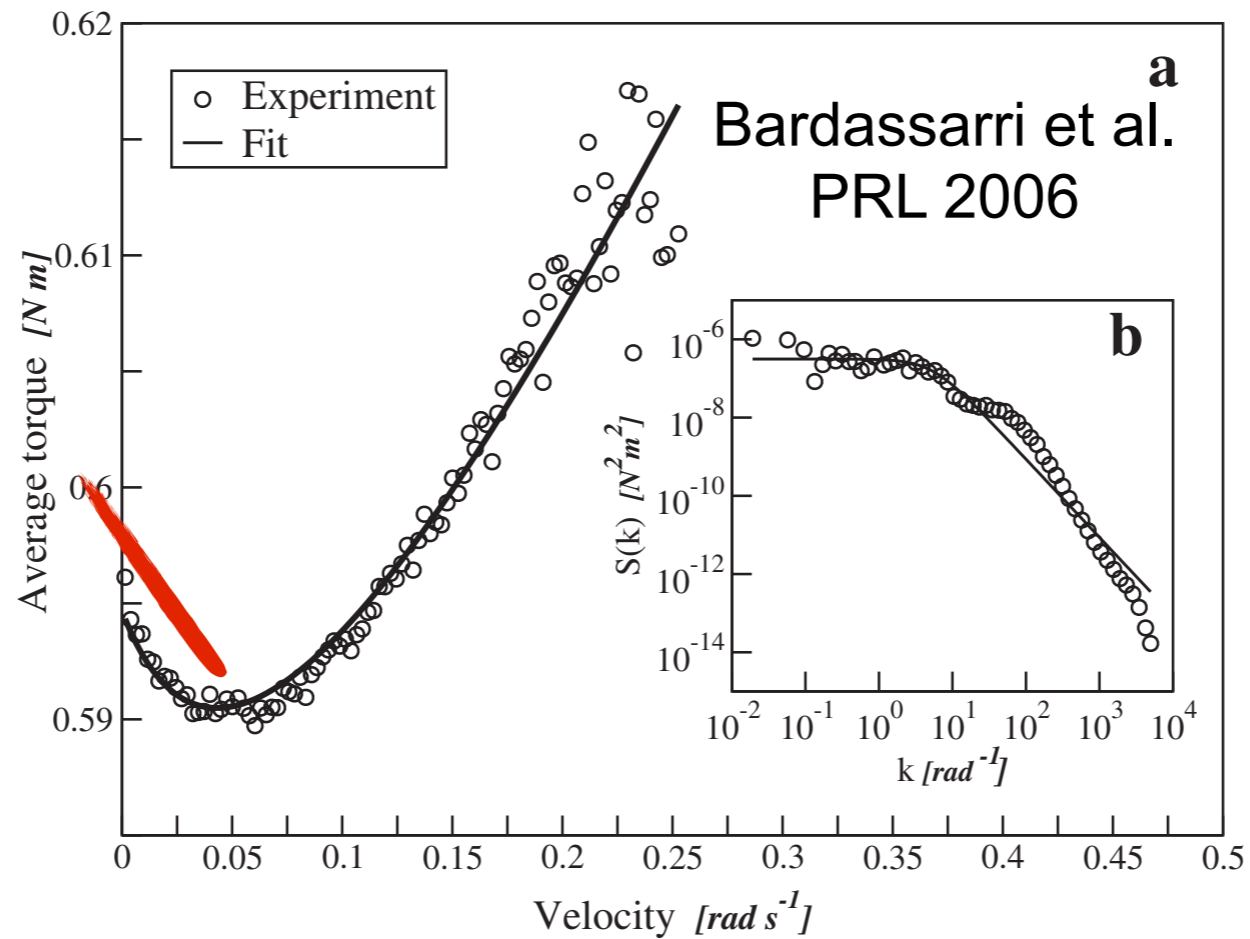
da Cruz et al. Phys. Rev. E (2005)

TH, Phys. Rev. E (2007)

Peyneau & Roux, Phys. Rev. E (2008)

Koval et al. Phys. Rev. E (2009)

granular friction: physical experiments



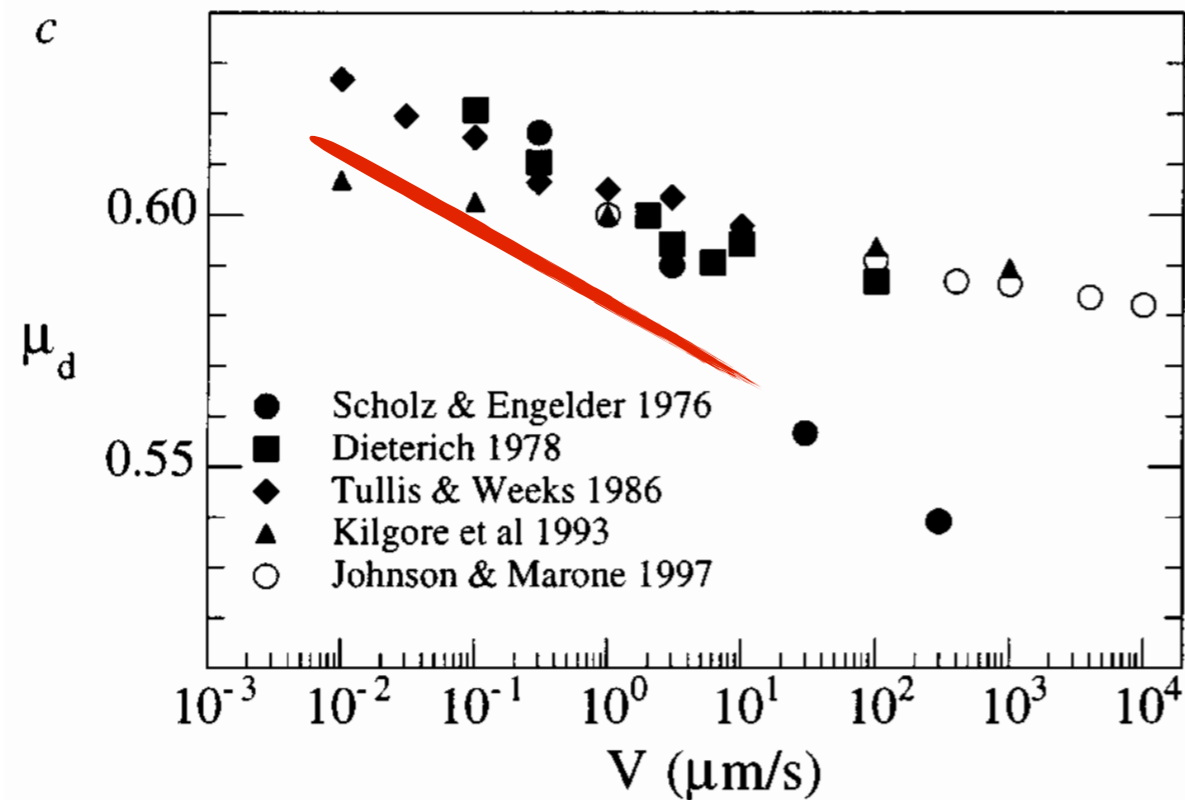
negative slope --> positive slope

see also:

Lu et al. J. Fluid Mech. 2007

Petri et al. EPJB 2008

in earthquake physics....



for steady states

$$\mu(V) = \mu(V_*) + \alpha \log \frac{V}{V_*}$$

constant α is generally negative!

Dieterich 1979

(e.g. Marone, Ann. Rev. Earth Planet. Sci. 1998)

$$\alpha \sim -10^{-2} \text{ to } -10^{-3}$$

(up to ~ mm/sec)

normal pressure ~ 100 MPa

negative slope is rather ubiquitous!

current status

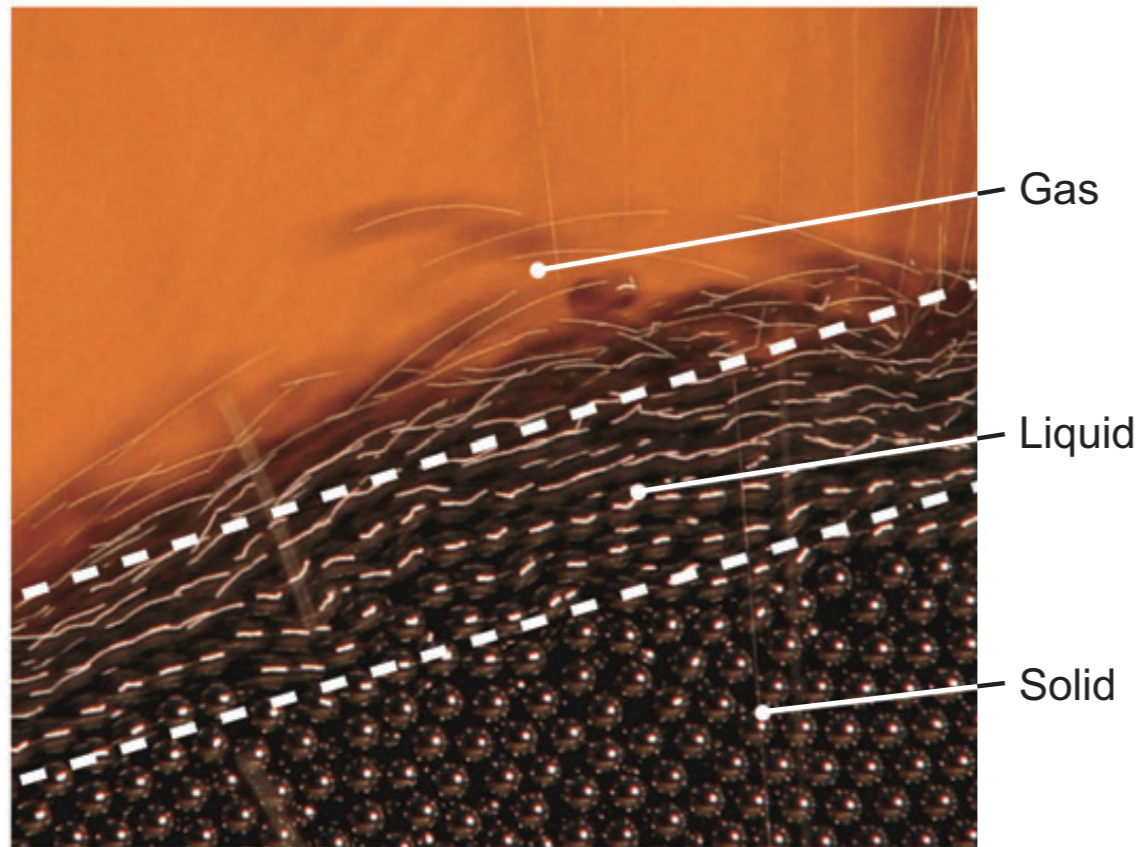
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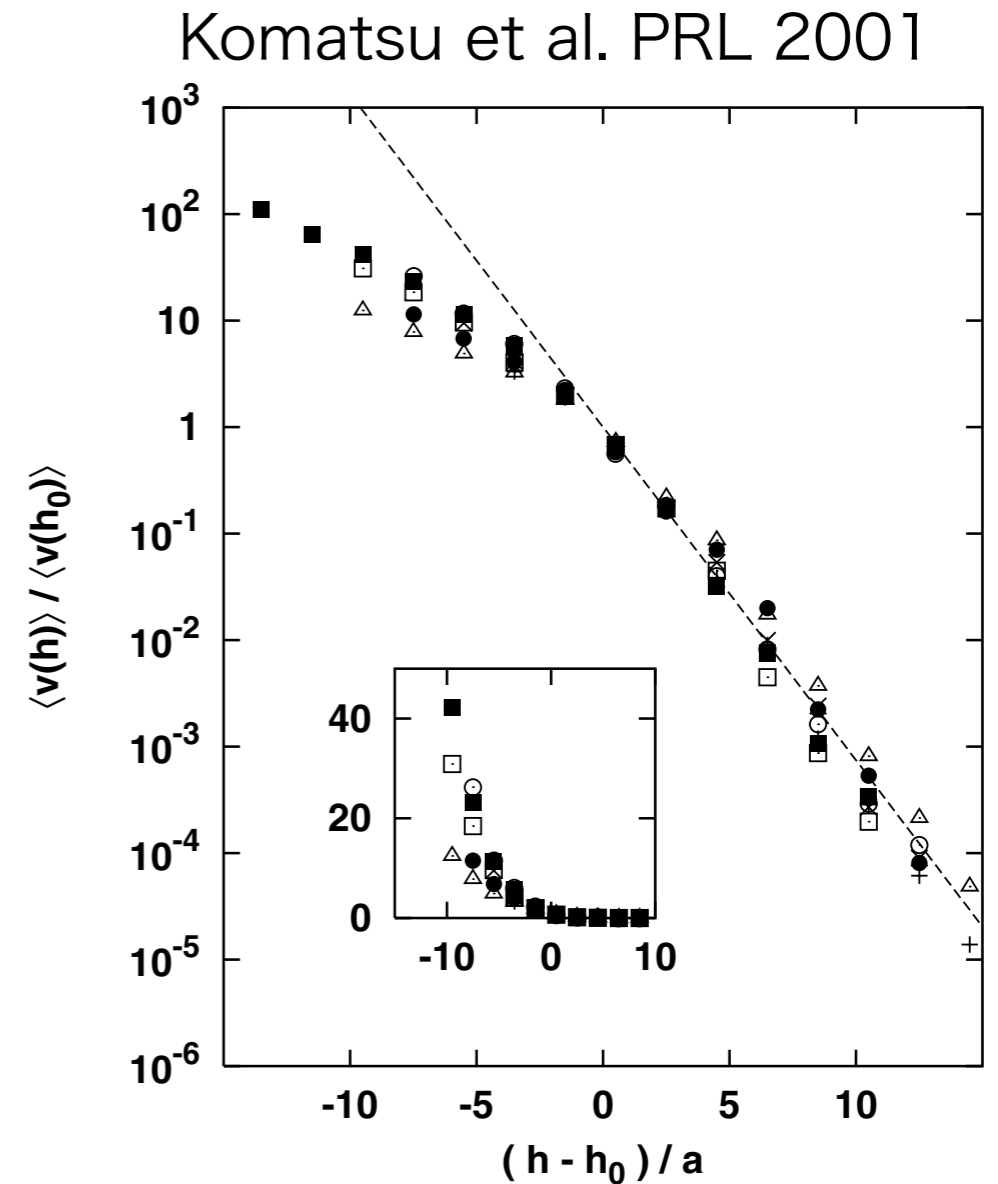
physical experiment ? numerical experiment

and an example is ...

exponential velocity profile in inclined plane flow



Forterre and Pouliquen, Ann. Rev. Fluid. Mech. 2008



what kind of constitutive law can explain this?

questions

1. At very low shear rates, constitutive law is still not established

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- A. nonlocal effect (e.g. Kamrin & Koval 2012)
 - B. physics of negative slope? (Dieterich 1979)

2. If negative slope is true, how is it compatible with Pouliquen's law?

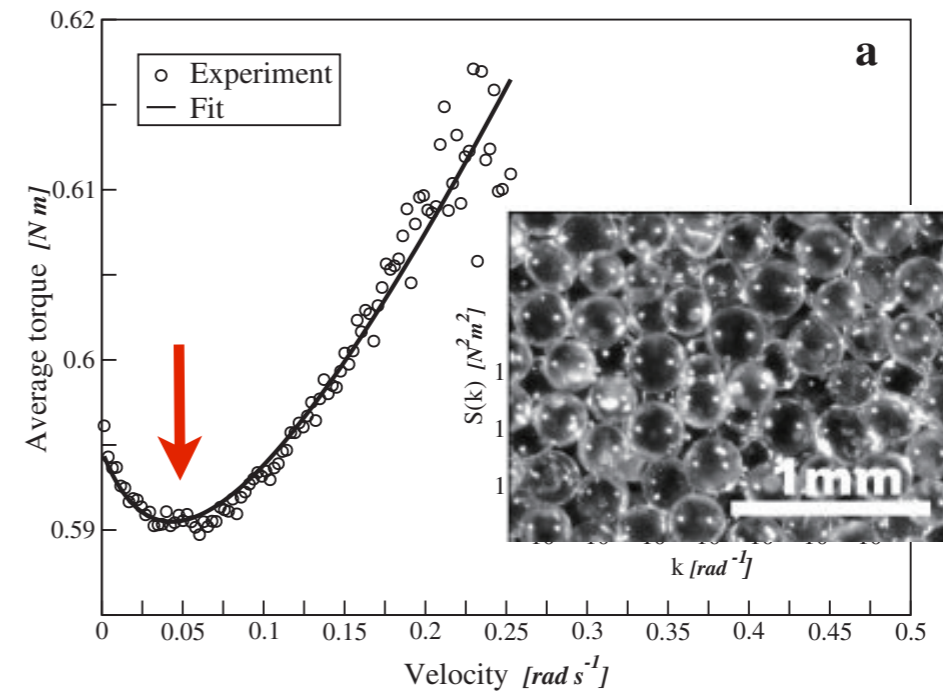
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OUR GOAL

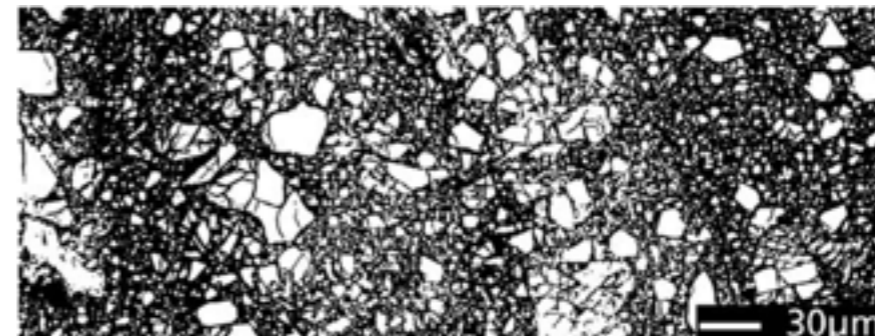
1. Negative slope for glass beads?

2. Negative to positive crossover? How?

$$I = I_c$$
$$\mu(I_c) \text{ minimum}$$

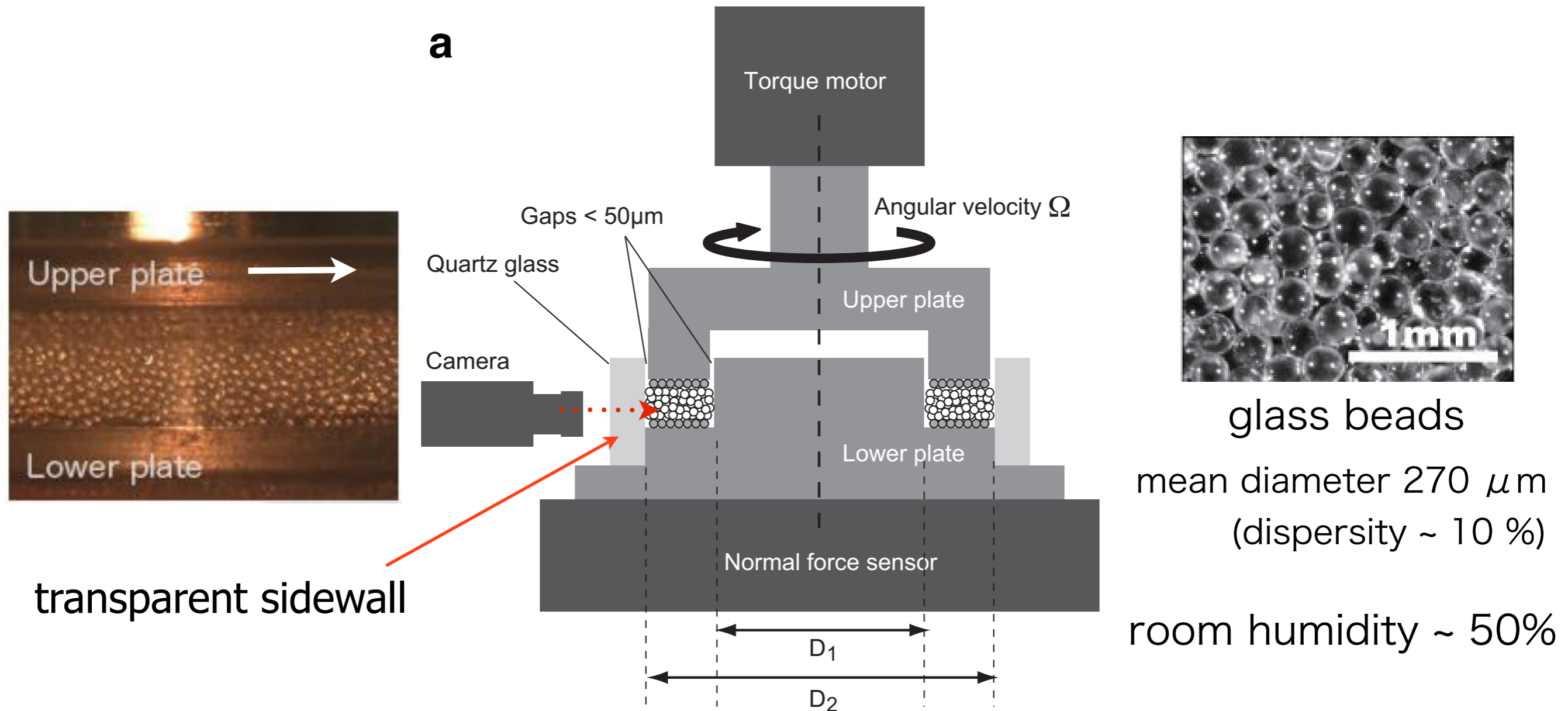


3. What if fault gouge?



experimental

A commercial rheometer (AR2000ex, TA Instruments)

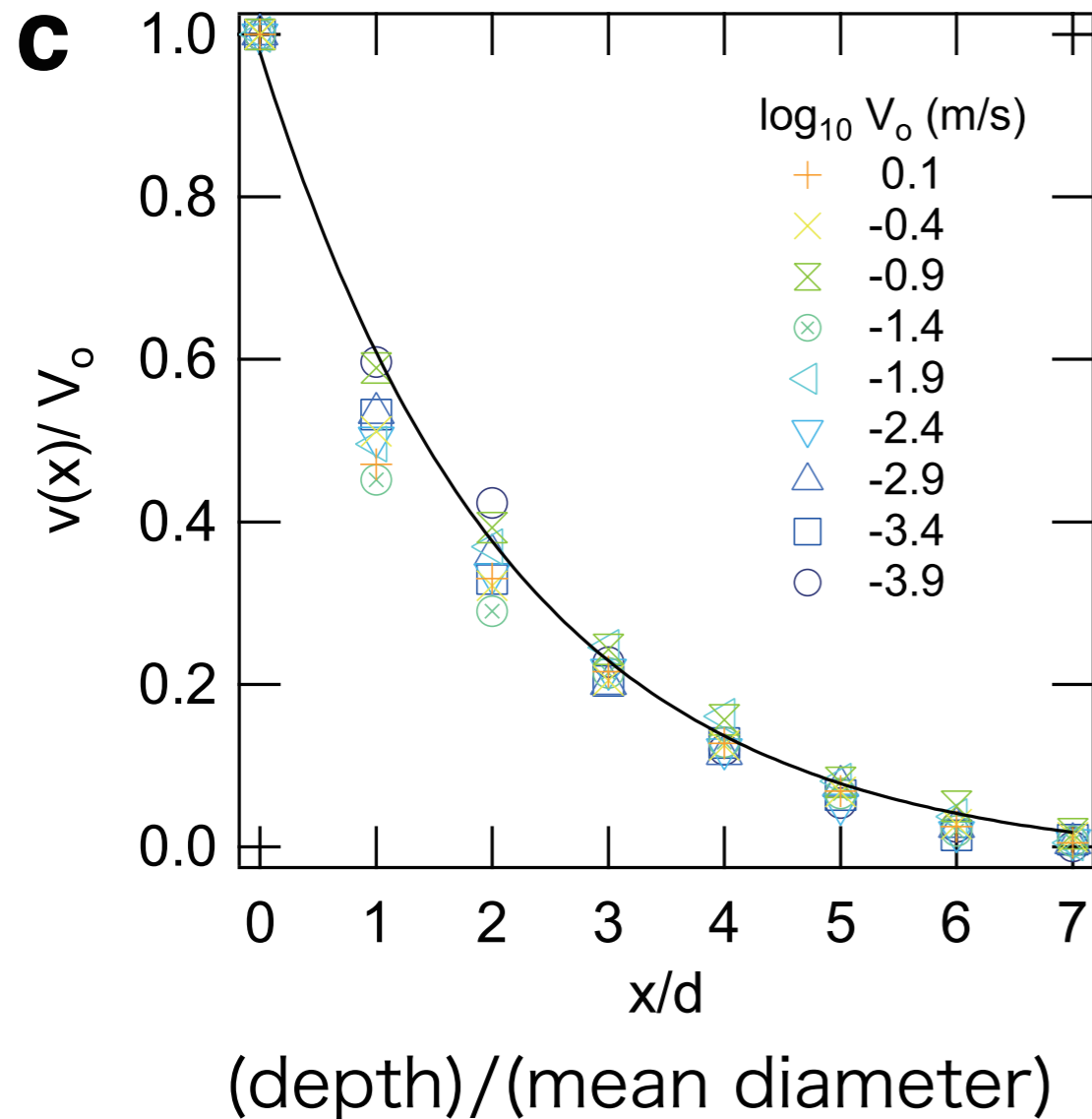


annular channel ($D_1=15\text{mm}$, $D_2=25\text{mm}$)

sliding velocity $\Omega D_2/2 = 10^{-4}$ to 3 [m/sec]

normal stress 10 to 30 kPa (constant pressure)

velocity profile



normalized by upper plate velocity V_0

→ collapse to a master curve

$$V(x) \simeq V_0 10^{-x/W}$$

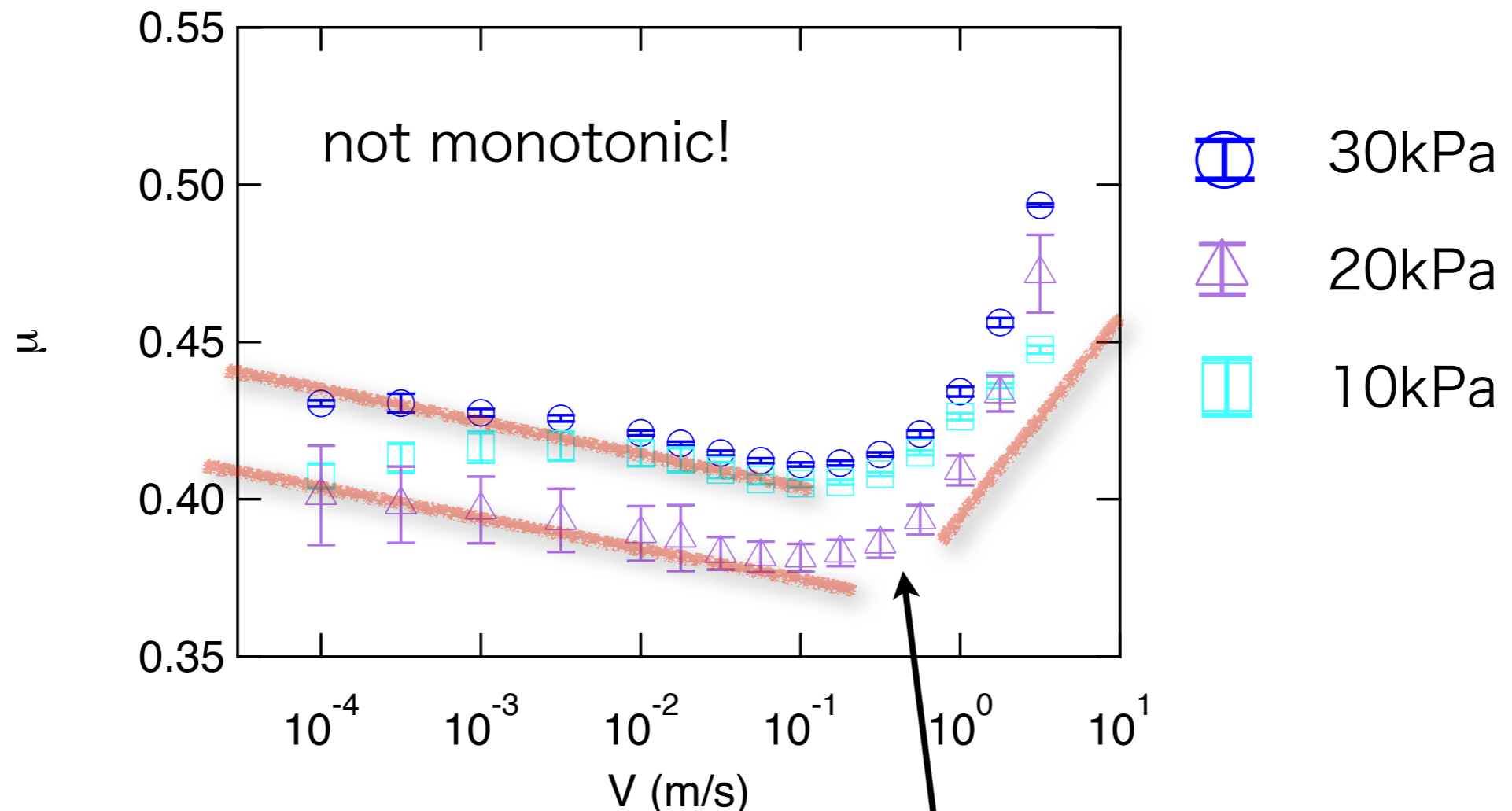
$$\rightarrow W \simeq 5d$$

(effective flow width)

shear rate $\dot{\gamma} \equiv V_0/W$

$$\rightarrow I = \frac{V_0}{W} \sqrt{\frac{m}{Pd}}$$

rate dependence of friction coefficient



At lower velocities,

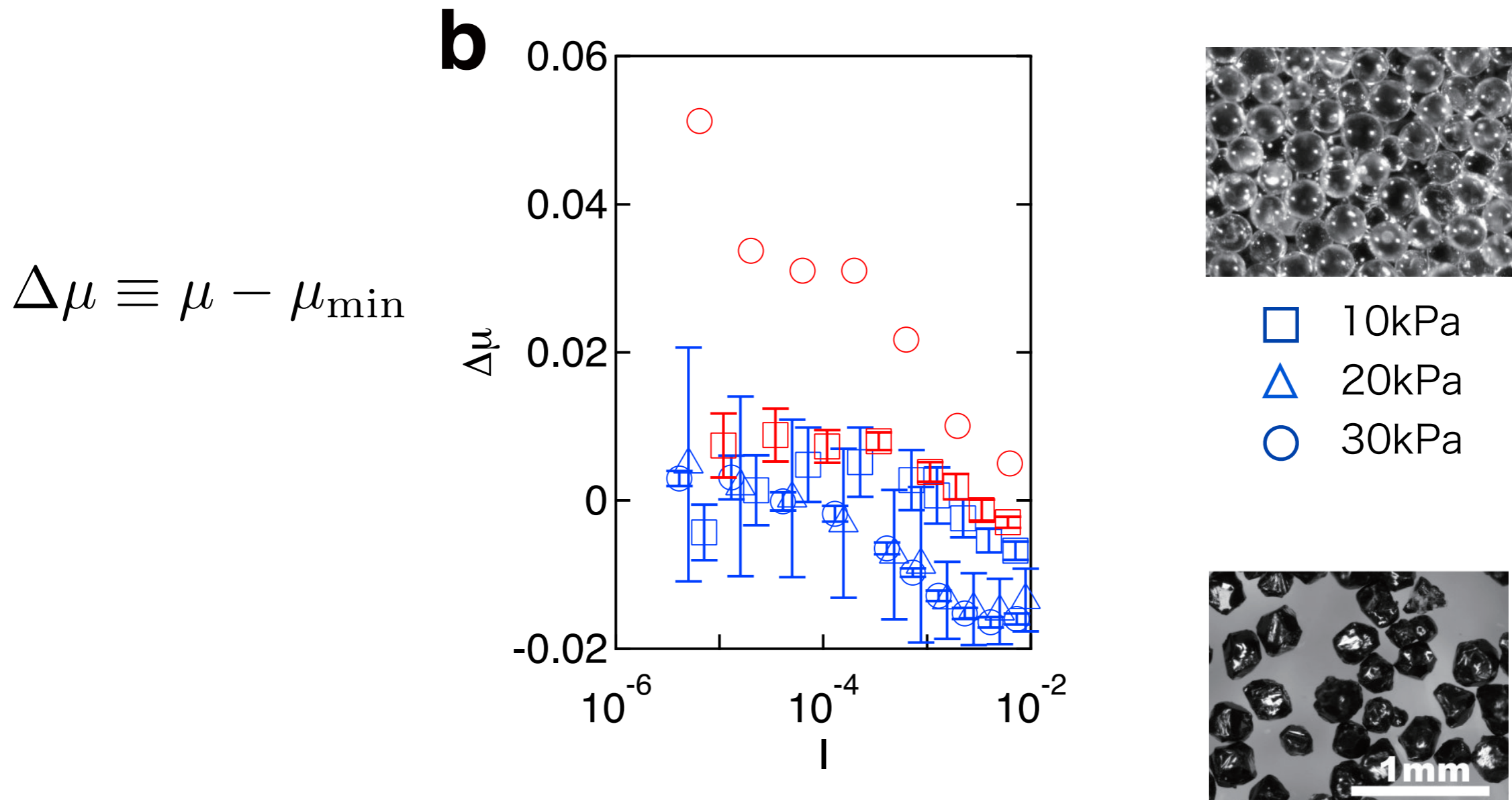
$$\mu = \mu_* + \alpha \log \frac{V}{V_*}$$

$$\alpha = -0.003 \sim -0.004$$

comparable to fault gouge

minimum value μ_{\min}

negative slope apparent for $I \leq 10^{-2}$

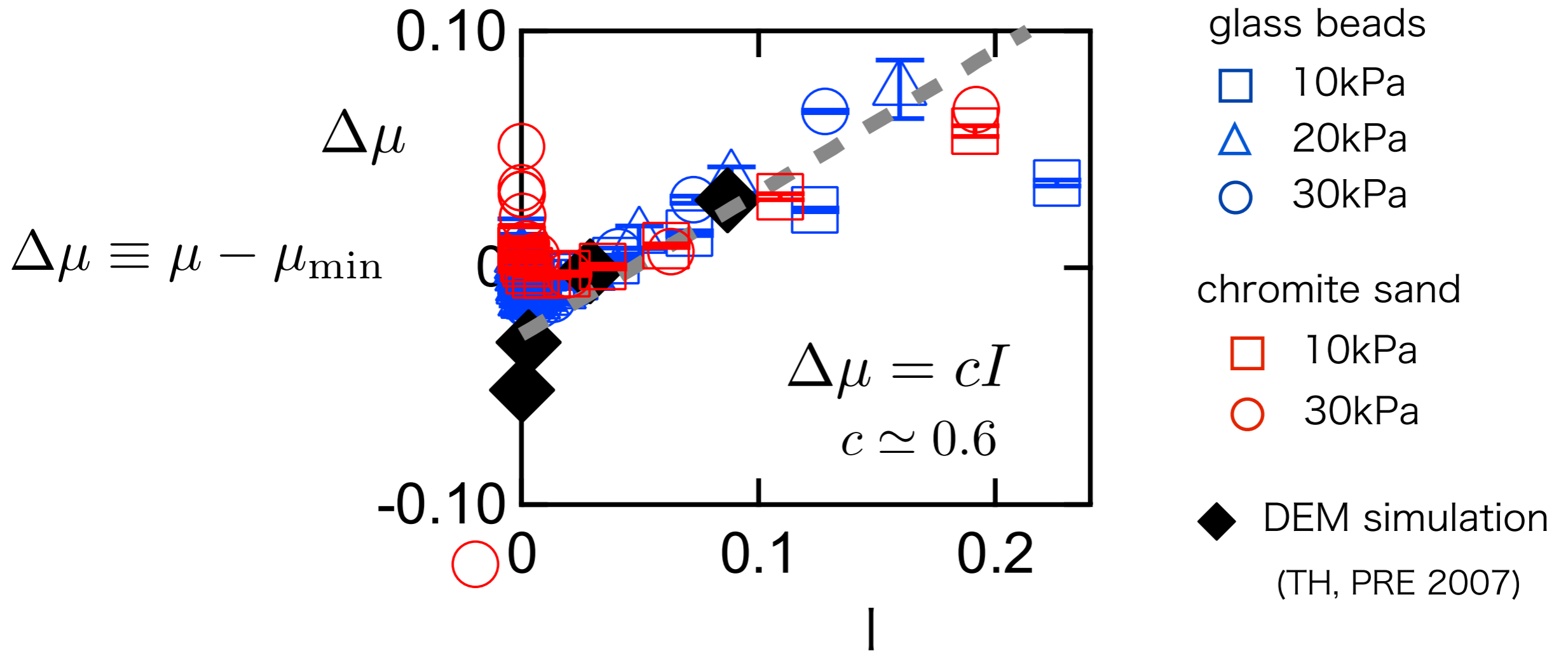


a certain range of α

$$\alpha \sim -10^{-2} \text{ to } -10^{-3}$$

what sets α ? (open question)

constitutive law at high velocities

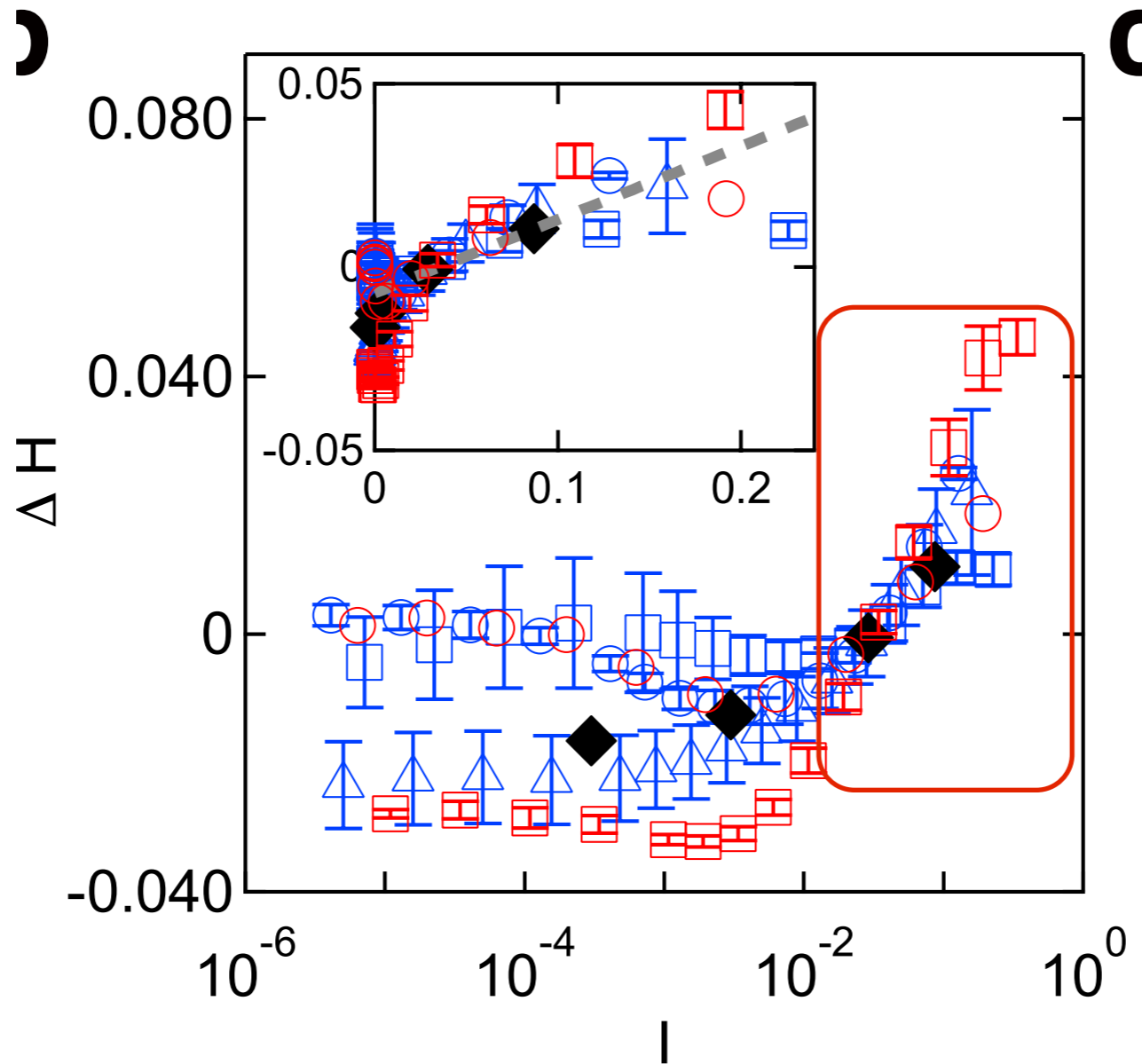


$$I > I_c \longrightarrow \mu = \mu_{\min} + cI \quad (c=0.6)$$

agrees with simulations (including numerical factor!)

e.g., da Cruz et al. PRE 2005

dilation at high velocities



$$\Delta H \equiv \frac{H(I) - H(I_c)}{W_s} \quad \text{obeys a master curve} \quad \Delta H(I) = c' I$$

$$c' \simeq 0.2$$

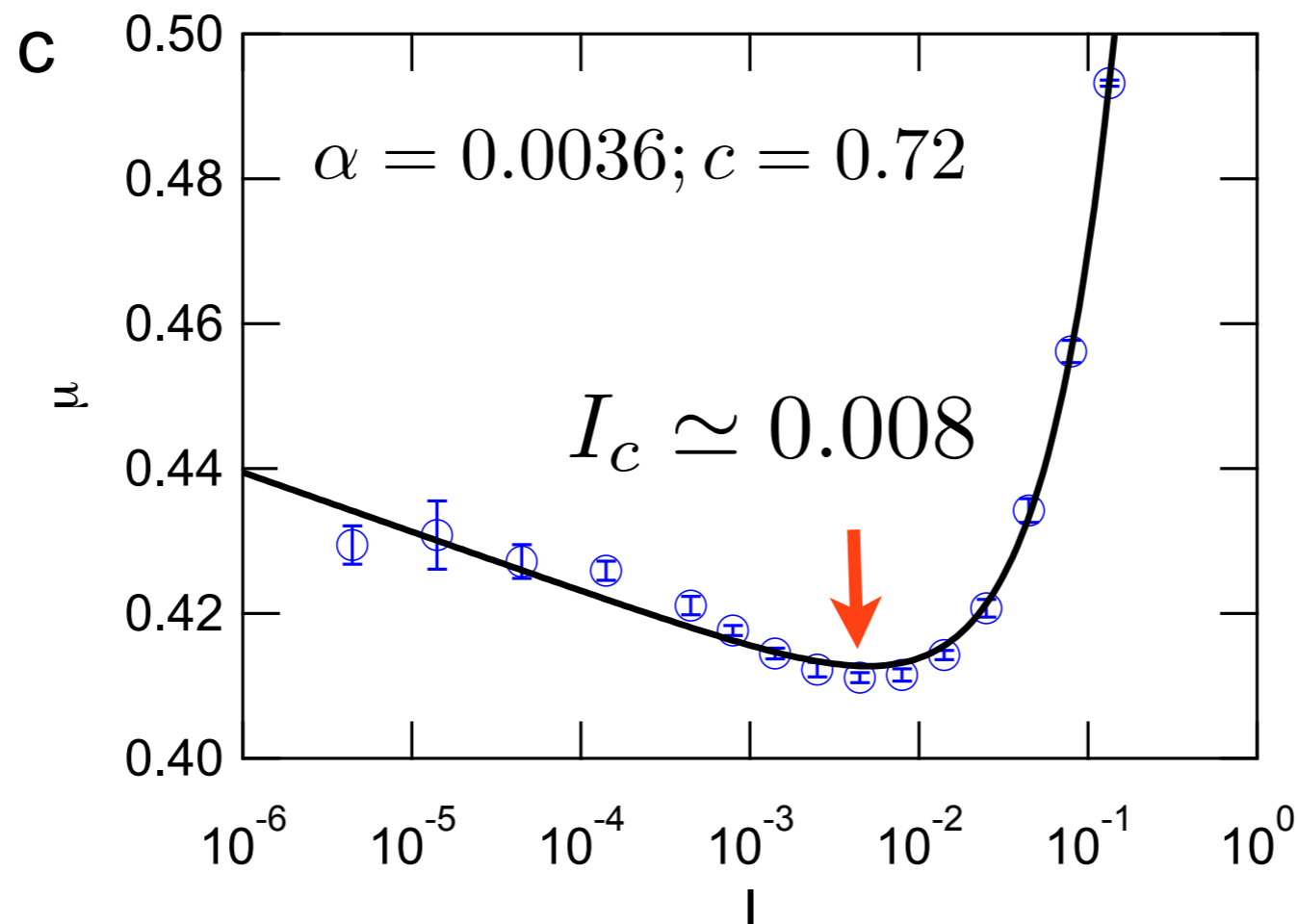
agrees with simulations (including numerical factor!)

1. At higher shear rates, constitutive law agrees with DEM simulation.
2. Collapse to a master curve using $I \rightarrow$ Bagnold's regime.
3. No master curves at sufficiently lower inertial number $I \leq 10^{-2}$

Instead,
$$\mu = \mu_* + \alpha \log \frac{V}{V_*}$$

$$\alpha \sim -10^{-2} \text{ to } -10^{-3}$$

where is crossover point?



data:
glass beads
30 kPa

constitutive law

$$\mu = \mu_0 + \alpha \log(\dot{\gamma}/\dot{\gamma}_0) + c\dot{\gamma}\sqrt{m/Pd}$$

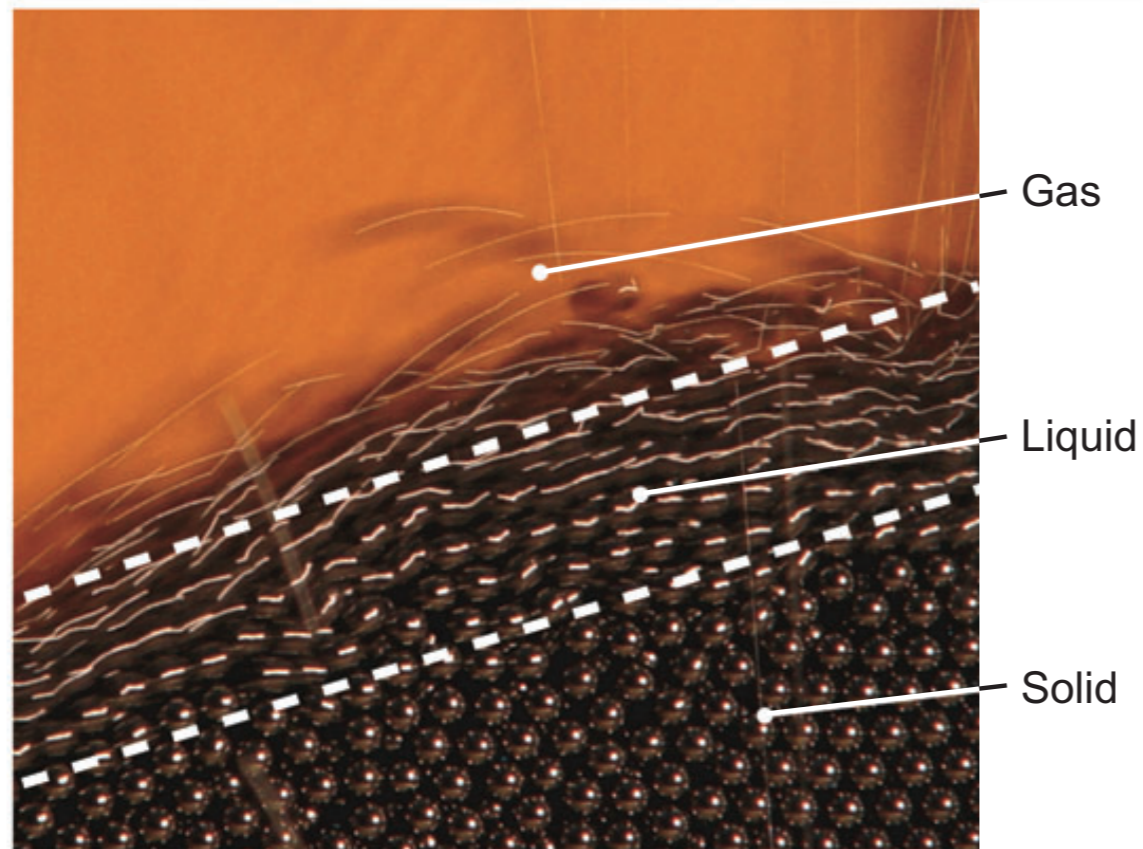
$$\longrightarrow I_c = -\alpha/c = O(10^{-3})$$

$$\mu = \mu_0 + \alpha \log(\dot{\gamma}/\dot{\gamma}_0) + c\dot{\gamma} \sqrt{m/Pd}$$

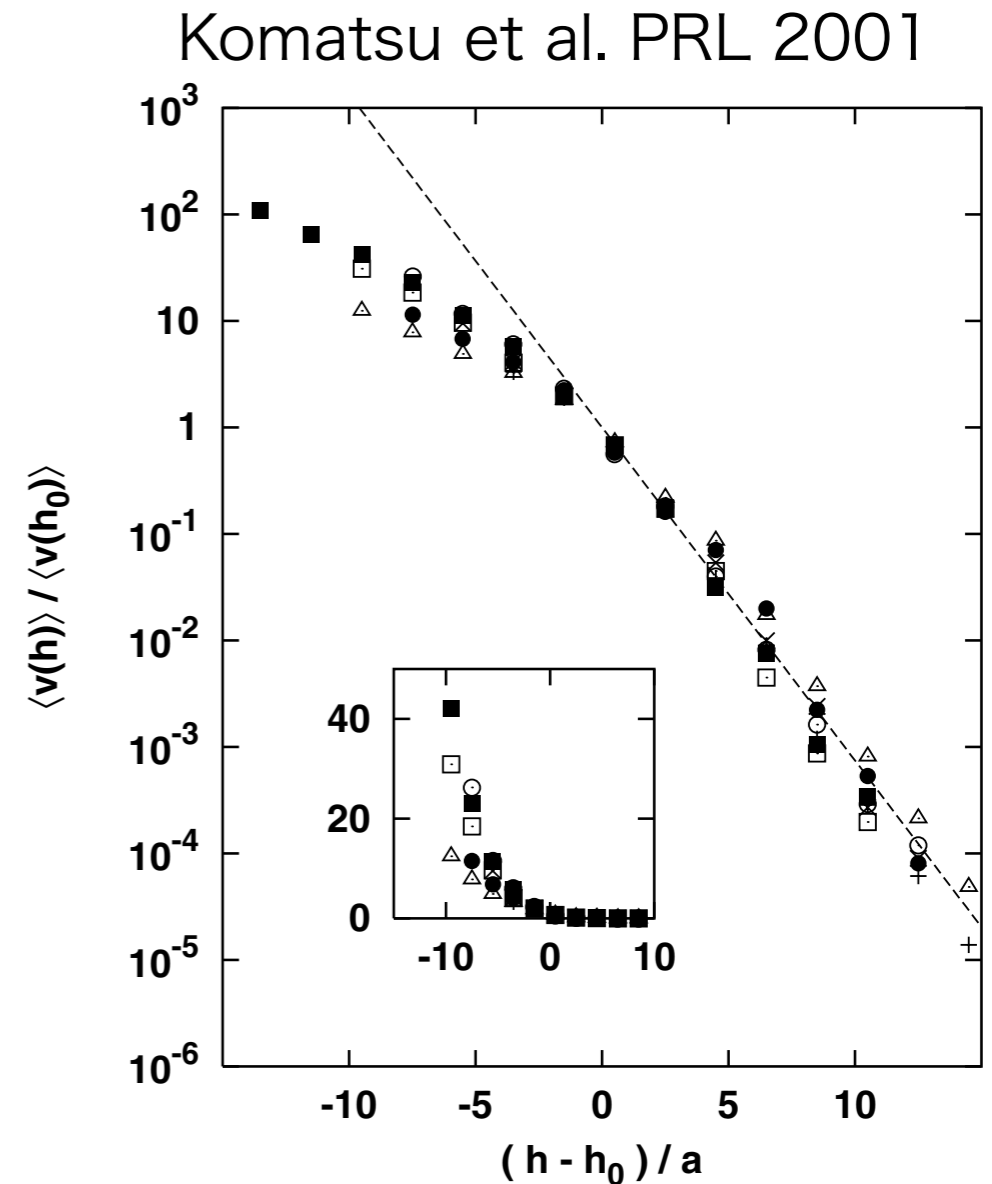
an application:

exponential velocity profile for “creep” deformation of solid regime

velocity profile in inclined plane flow



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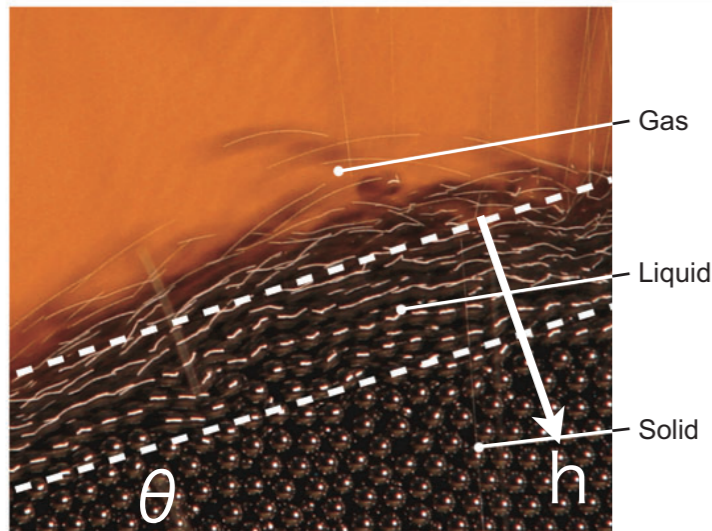
Pouliquen's law cannot reproduce this.

--> Other laws may come into play

can reproduce exponential flow profile

$$\mu = \mu_0 - \alpha \log(V/V_0) + c\dot{\gamma}\sqrt{m/Pd} \quad (1)$$

force balance eq. for heap flow (along flow direction)



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dh} = \rho g \sin \theta,$$

$$\sigma = \mu P$$

ρ : mass density

θ : angle of slope

σ : shear stress

h : depth

P : normal pressure

if P is independent of h (**Janssen's law**),

$$\longrightarrow \frac{d\dot{\gamma}}{dh} \frac{d\mu}{d\dot{\gamma}} = \frac{\rho g \sin \theta}{P}$$

$$\text{use (1)} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \dot{\gamma}(h) \simeq \dot{\gamma}_0 e^{-h/h_0} \quad h_0 \equiv \alpha P / \rho g \sin \theta$$

underlying physics of weakening?

$$\mu = \mu_0 + \alpha \log(\dot{\gamma}/\dot{\gamma}_0) + c\dot{\gamma} \sqrt{m/Pd}$$

underlying physics?

$$\dot{\gamma}\sigma = D \quad (\text{power input}) = (\text{energy dissipation rate})$$

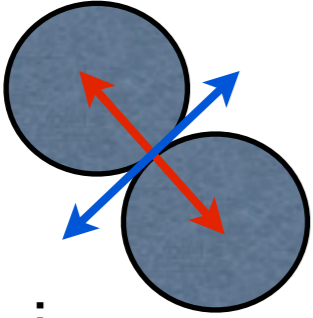
$$D = \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{dis}} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{ij}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{dis}} = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 \quad \text{non-conservative force}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D &= (\mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2) \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ &= |\mathbf{F}_1|v^{(t)} + |\mathbf{F}_2|v^{(n)} \\ &\quad \text{frictional} \qquad \text{normal} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu = \frac{D}{\dot{\gamma}P} = \dots \simeq \mu_p + cI$$

first term is particle-level friction



i

j

1. friction \mathbf{F}_1

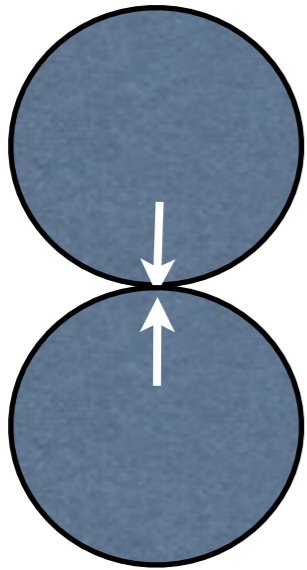
2. damping \mathbf{F}_2

$\mathbf{F}_1 \cdot \mathbf{F}_2 = 0$

$|\mathbf{F}_1| \propto \mu_p$

aging of grain contact

particle-level friction is not a constant (but time-dependent)



increase of contact area due to **plasticity**

(Brechet & Estrin 1994)

$$A(t) = A_0 \left(1 + a \log \frac{t}{t_0} \right)$$

t: duration of contact

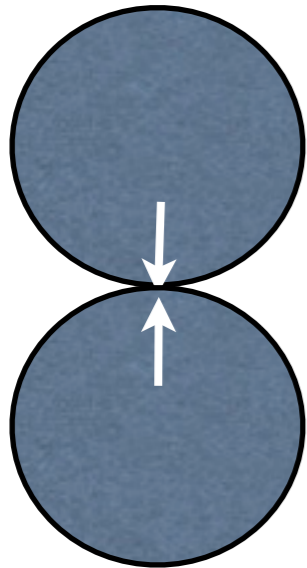
a, t_0 : constants

in sheared systems,

$$t \simeq \dot{\gamma}^{-1} \quad \longrightarrow \quad A(t) = A_0 (1 - a \log(\dot{\gamma} t_0))$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \mu_p(\dot{\gamma}) = \mu_0 (1 - a' \log(\dot{\gamma} t_0))$$

aging of grain contact



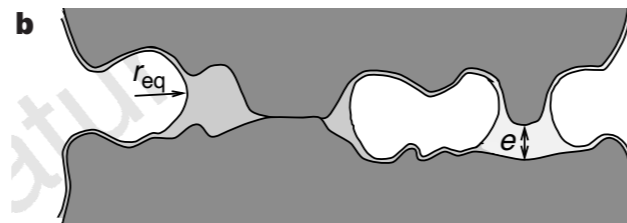
$$\mu_p(t) = \mu_0(1 - a \log(\dot{\gamma}t/t_0))$$

$$\mu_p(\dot{\gamma}) = \mu_0(1 - a' \log(\dot{\gamma}t_0))$$

particle-level friction is time-dependent!

(in DEM, it is constant)

cf. Bocquet et al. Nature 1998



aging due to moisture

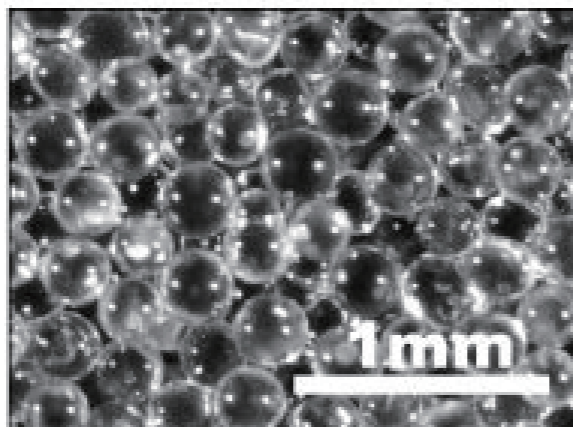
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1. How does this crossover occur?

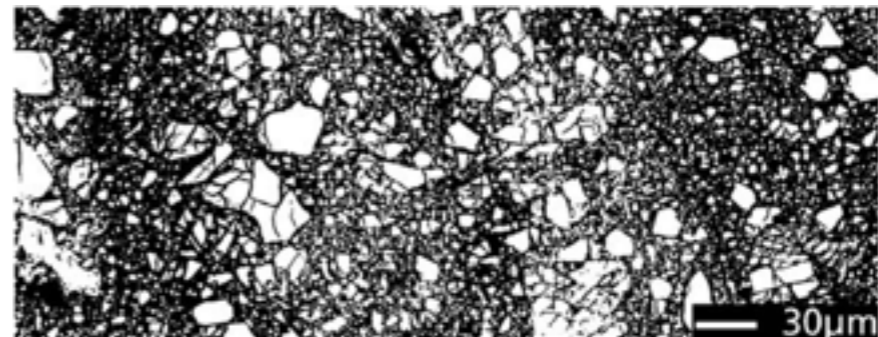
identify $I = I_c$ $\mu(I_c)$ minimum

done

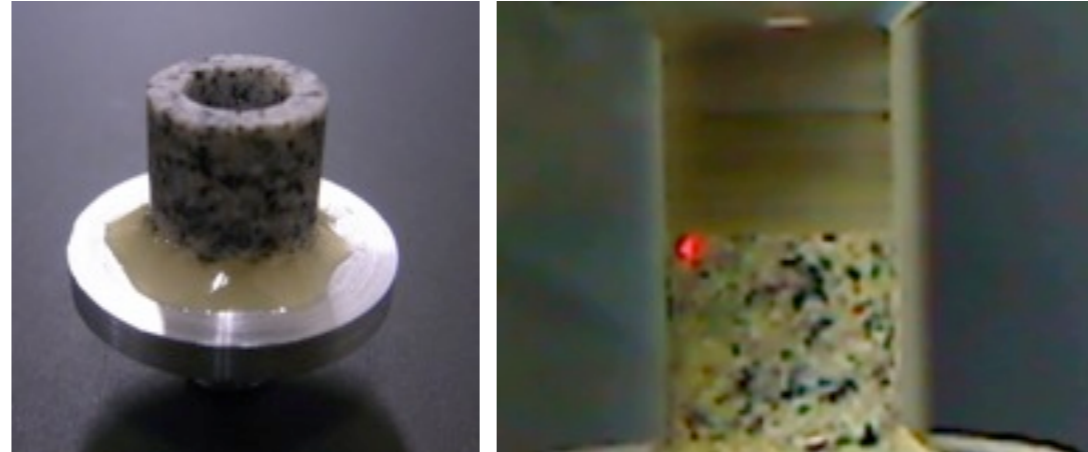
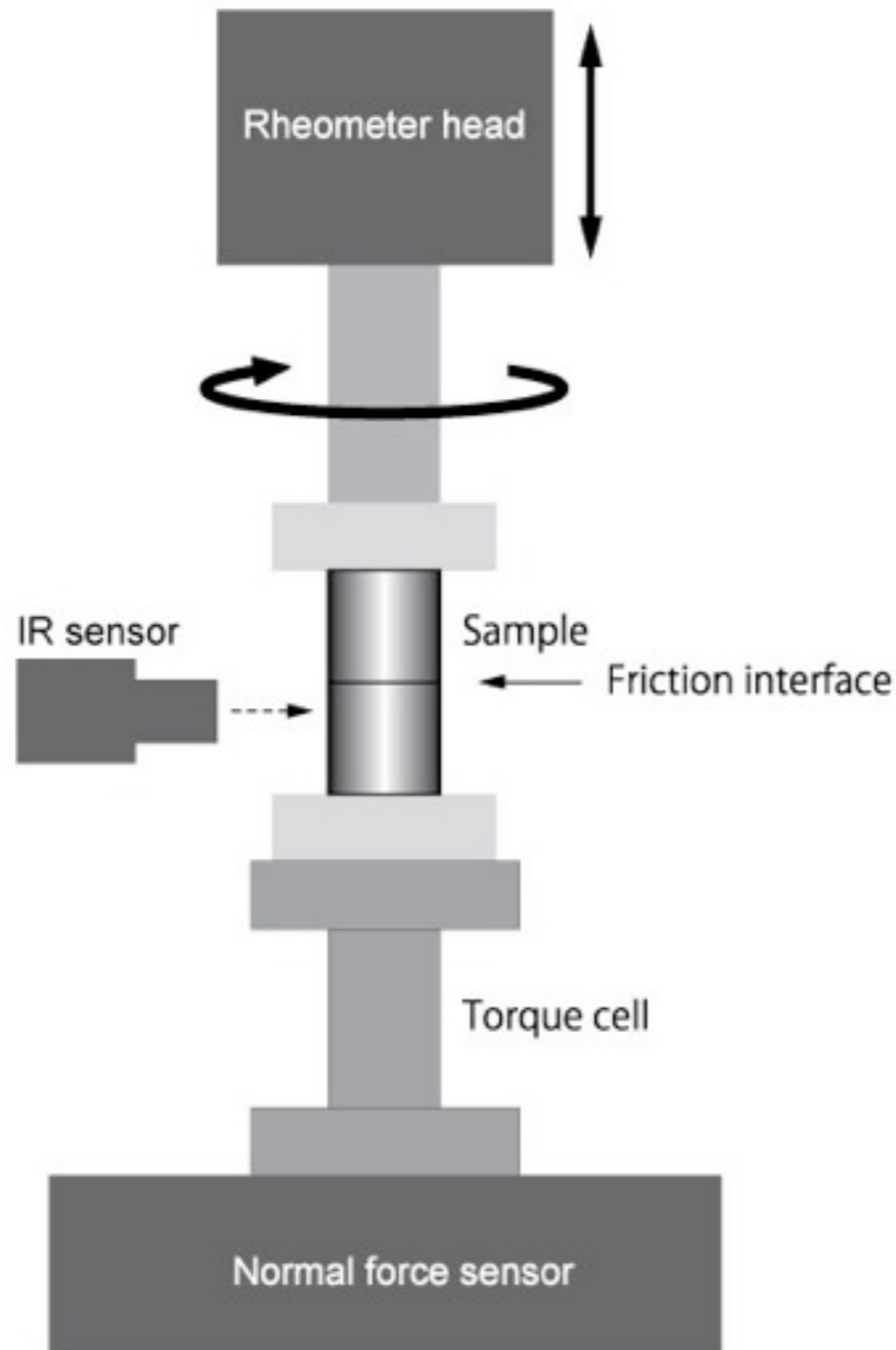
2. Inertial-number description valid for gouge?



versus



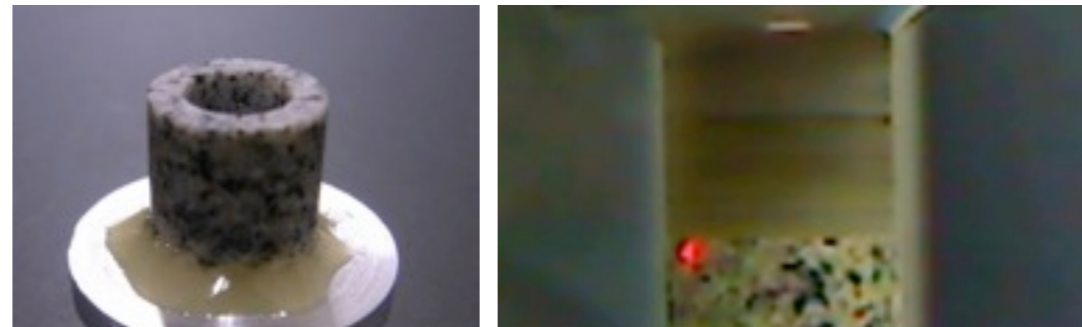
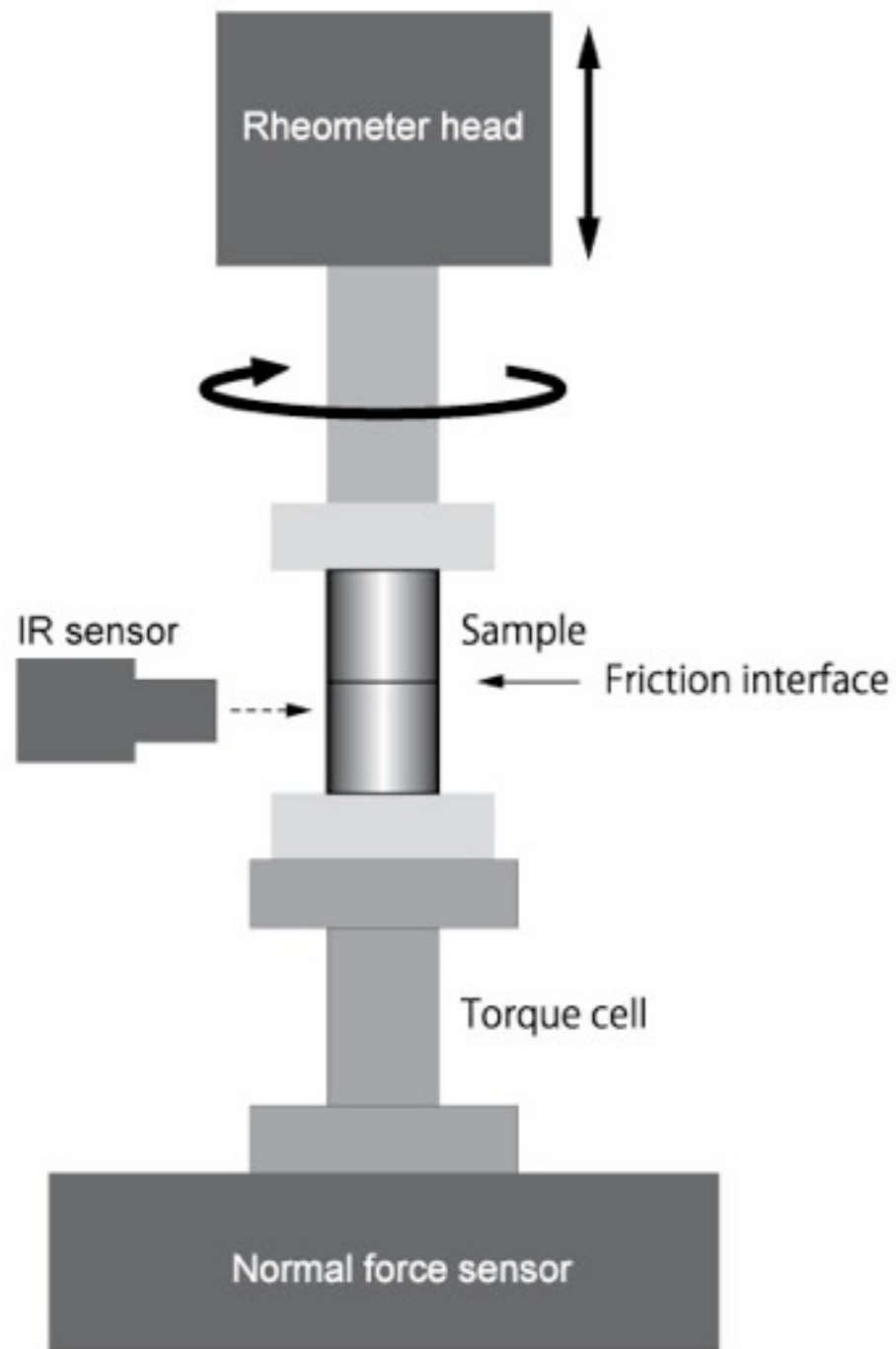
experimental



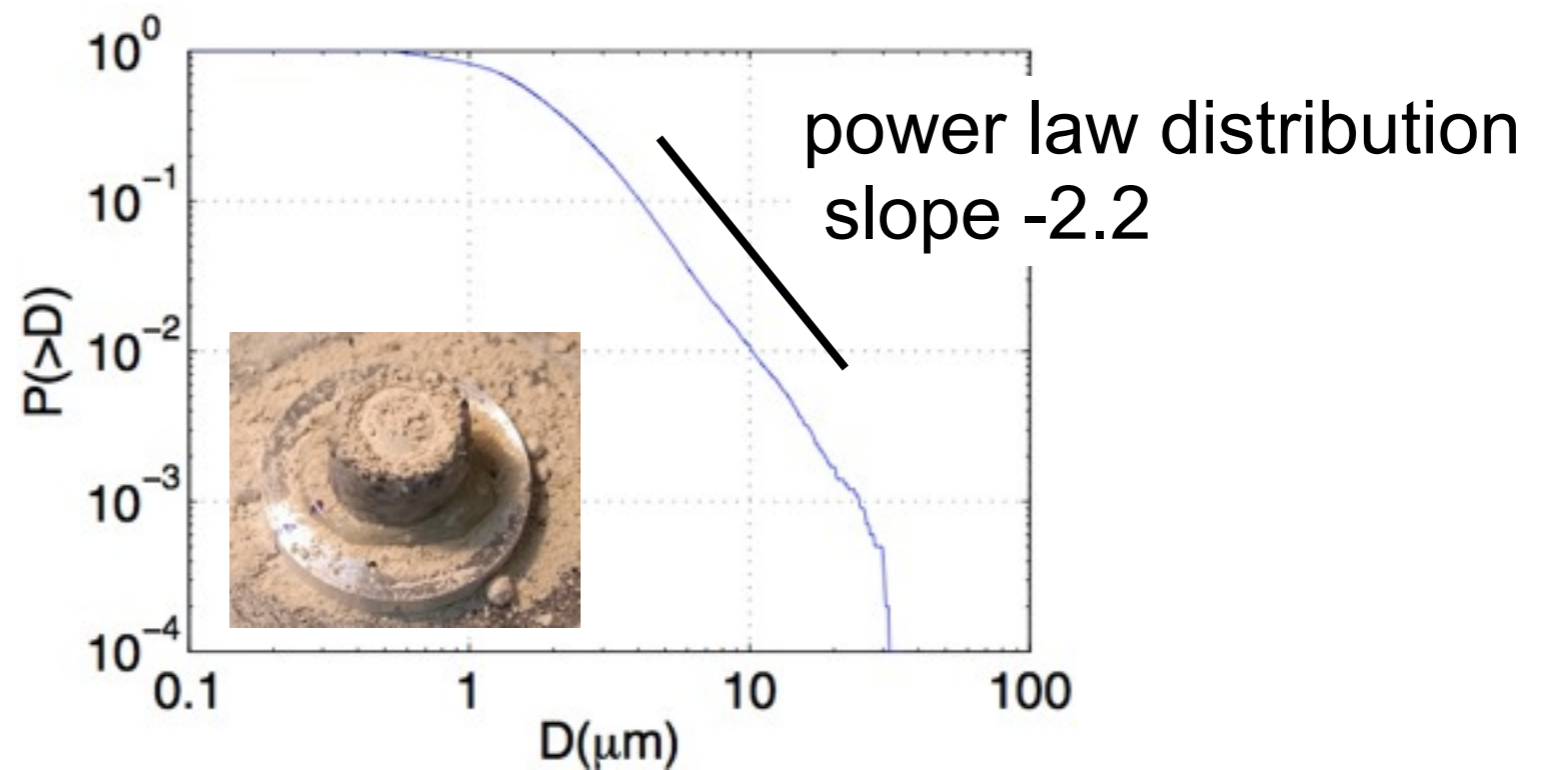
- Slip rate : $100\mu\text{m/s}$ to 0.3m/s
- Normal stress: $0.1\text{-}0.9\text{ MPa}$
- Room temperature and humidity
- Cylindrical Specimen
 - Westerly granite
 - Inner/outer diameters : $6\text{mm}/10\text{mm}$.
- Temperature measurement with an IR sensor
- **Gouge layer formed by preshearing.**

(sample not sealed; an open system)

experimental



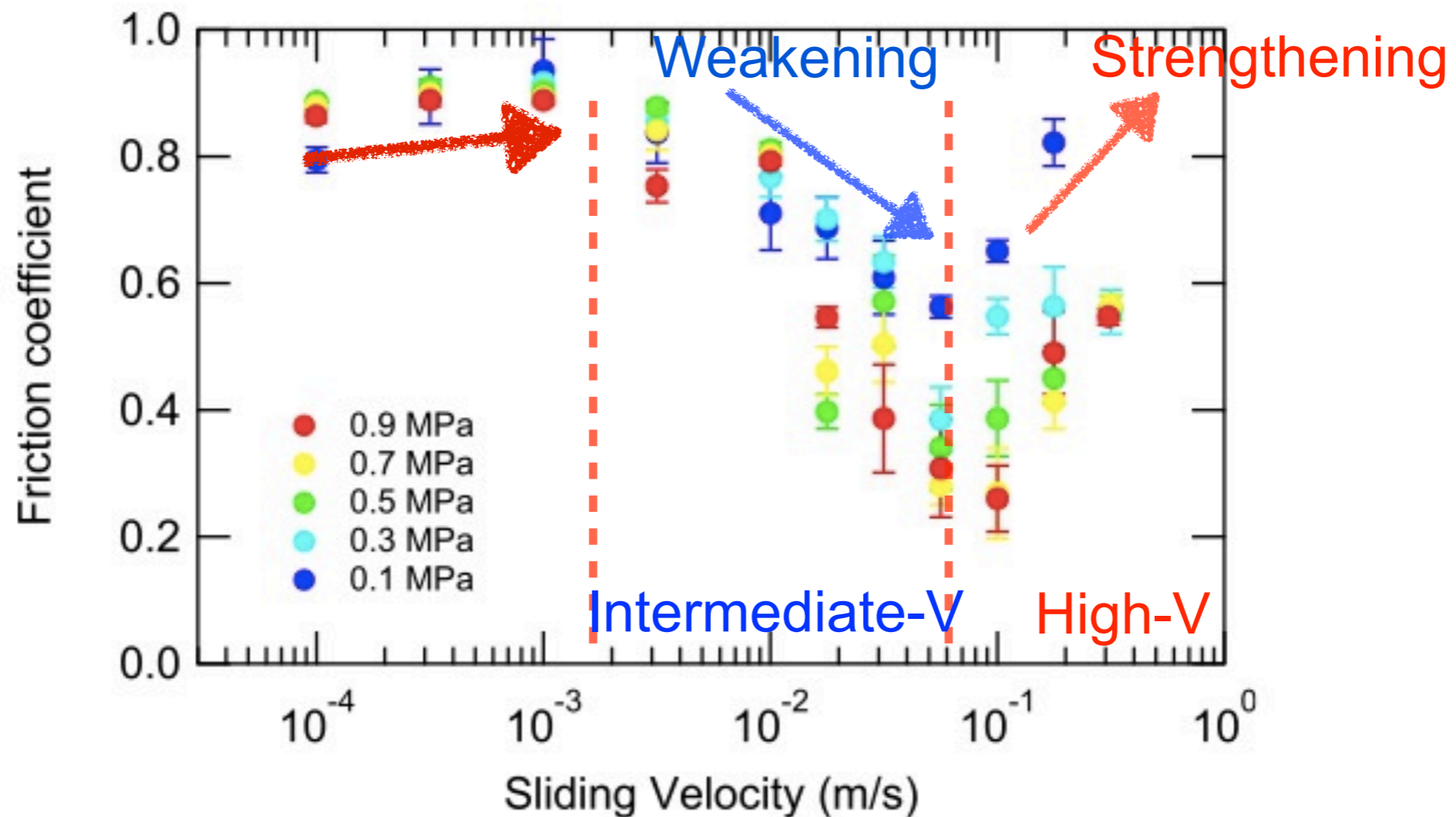
Cumulative particle-size distribution



Mean particle size: $2.4 \mu\text{m}$

Gouge layer thickness : $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$ (4-5 particles)

velocity dependence of friction coefficient

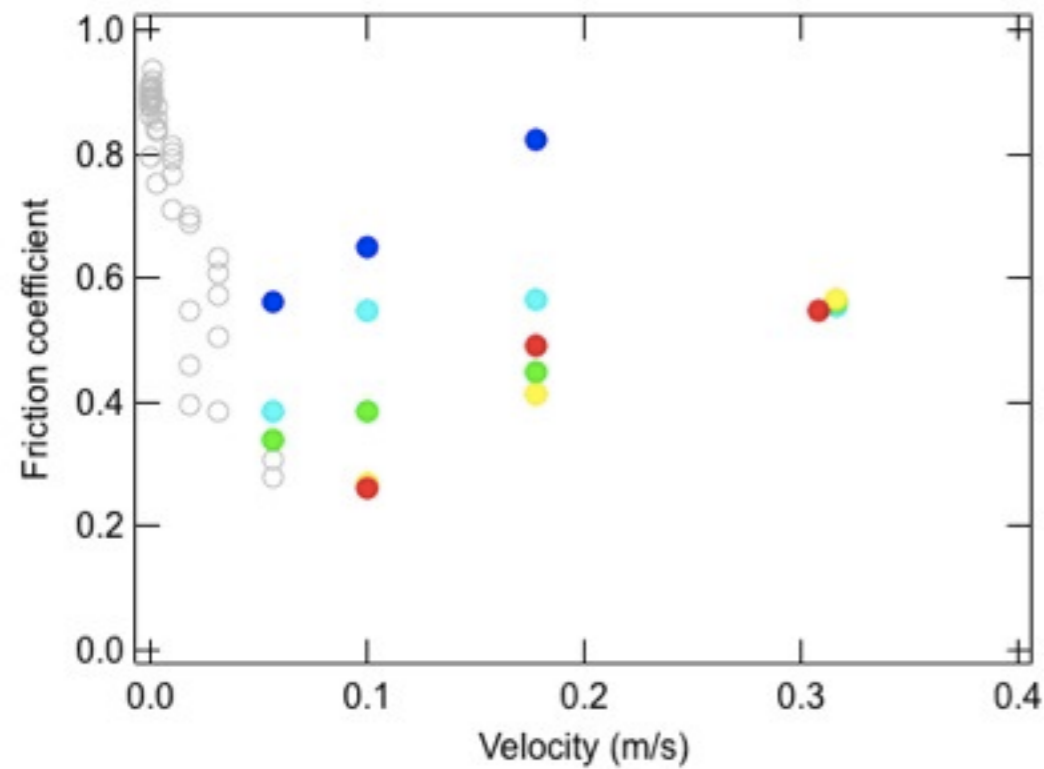


remarkable weakening in intermediate regime

$$\mu = \mu_* + \alpha \log \frac{V}{V_*} \quad ? \quad \alpha \simeq -0.2 \quad \text{too large!}$$

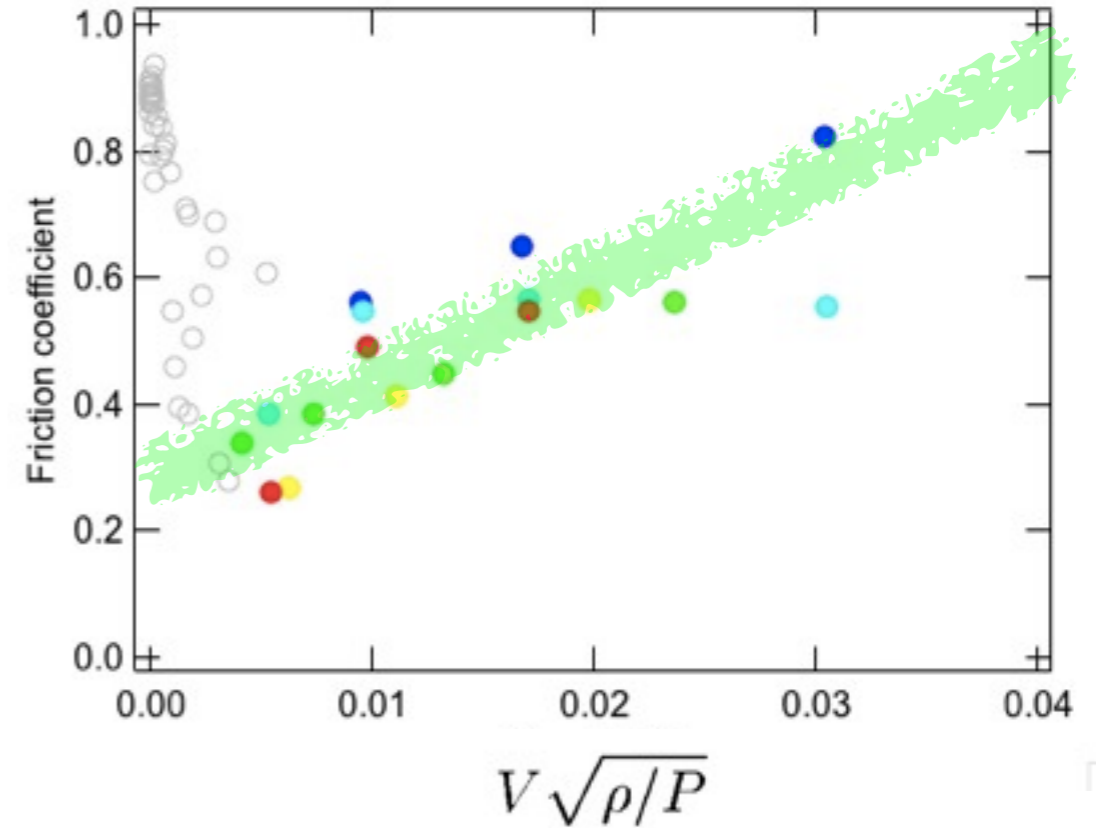
e.g. Goldsby & Tullis 2002; di Toro et al. 2004, etc...

inertial number description?



Velocity

$$\mu = \mu_* + cI$$
$$c \simeq 20$$



Inertial number

Inertial number description verified for gouge!

- ★ data do not collapse completely due to **fluctuation in gouge layer thickness**
- ★ constant c is much larger than glass beads (wide size dispersity?)

conclusions

1. Negative to positive rate dependence of friction

$$\mu = \mu_0 + \alpha \log(\dot{\gamma}/\dot{\gamma}_0) + c\dot{\gamma}\sqrt{m/Pd}$$

$$I_c = \alpha/c \quad I_c = O(10^{-3}) \quad \text{in this system}$$

2. Inertial-number description valid for gouge

(with power-law size distribution)

3. Anomalous weakening in intermediate regime?

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