

# **Magneto-Hydrodynamic (MHD) Flow in Electrolyte Solutions around Cylinders with Application in Liquid Chromatography (LC)**

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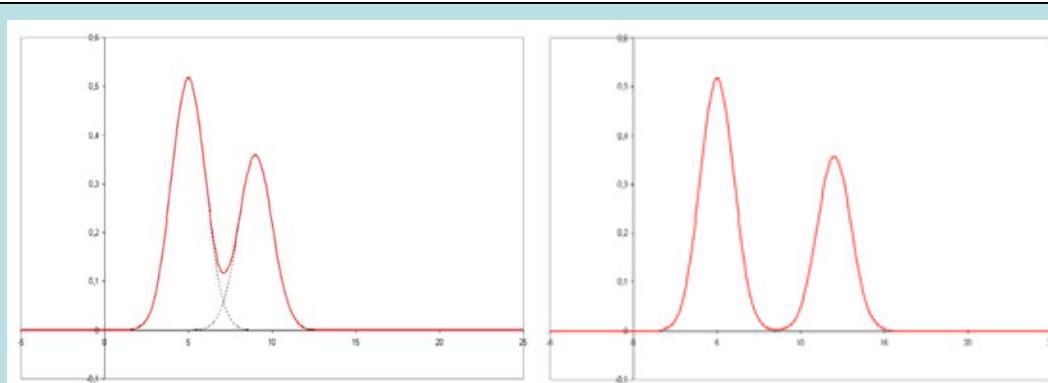
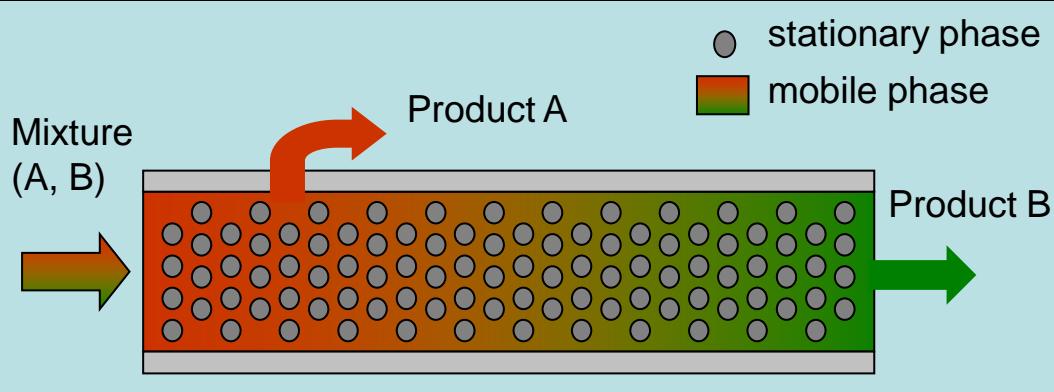
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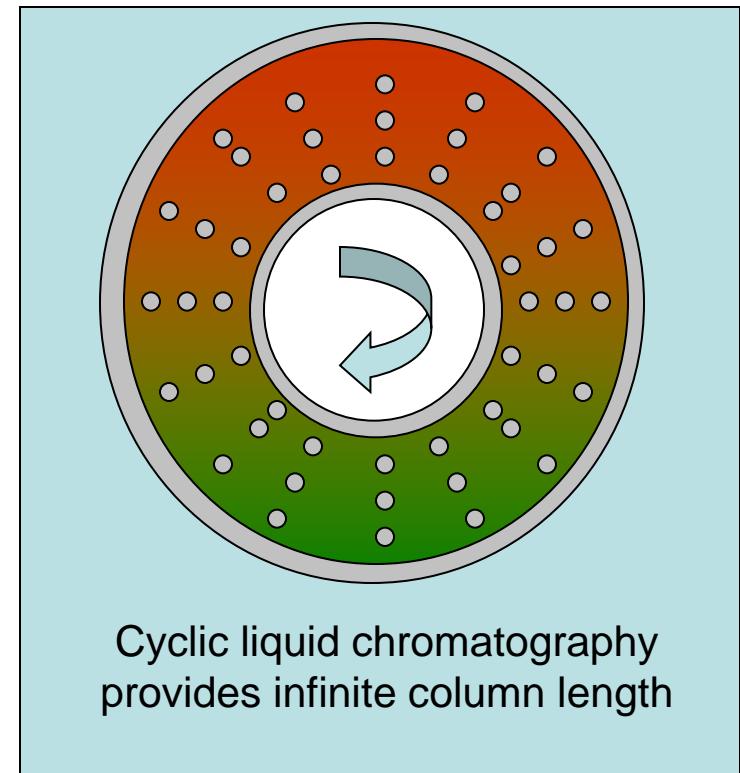
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# Introduction to Liquid Chromatography



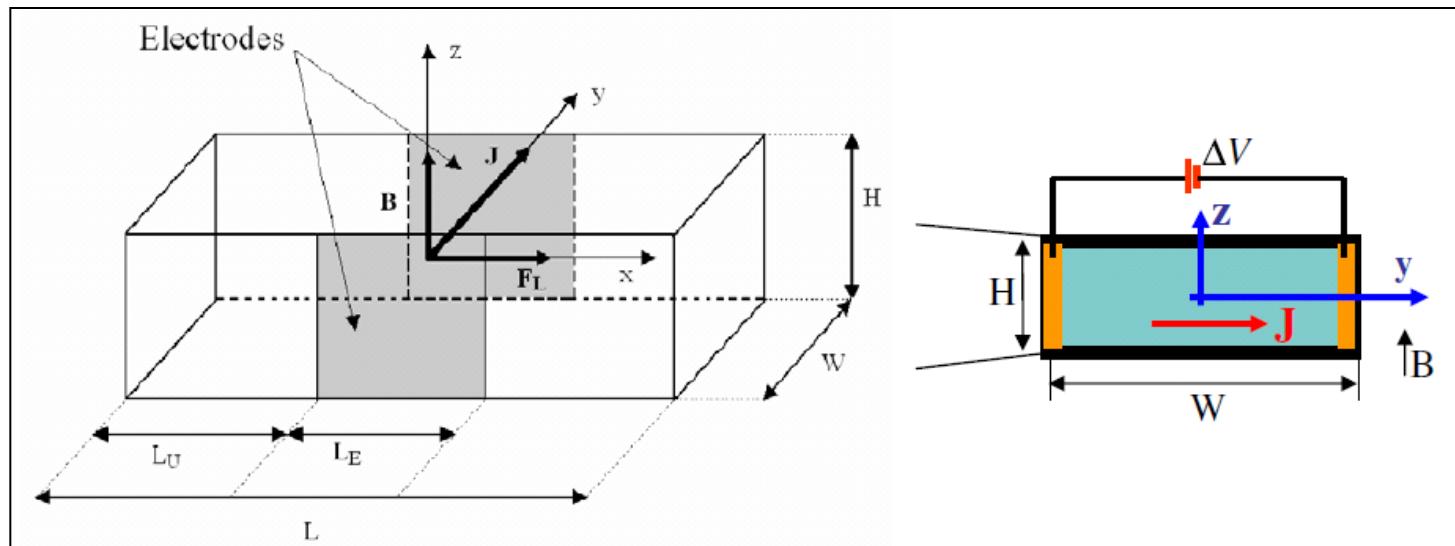
Chromatogram of two overlapping / separate peaks



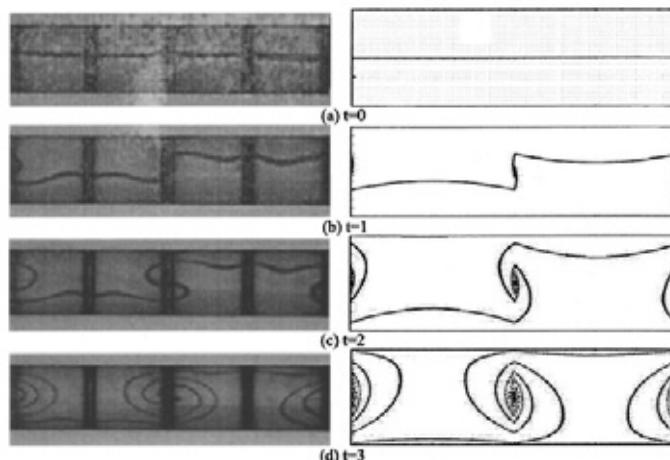
Cyclic liquid chromatography provides infinite column length

**Chromatography** is a physical method of separation. It involves passing a mixture dissolved in a "mobile phase" through a stationary phase, which separates the analyte to be measured from other molecules in the mixture based on differential partitioning between the mobile and stationary phases.

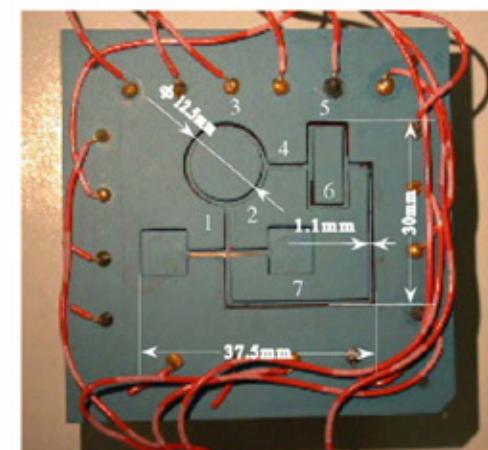
# Magnetohydrodynamic Driven Fluidic Device



MHD Pumping, Qian & Bau 2009

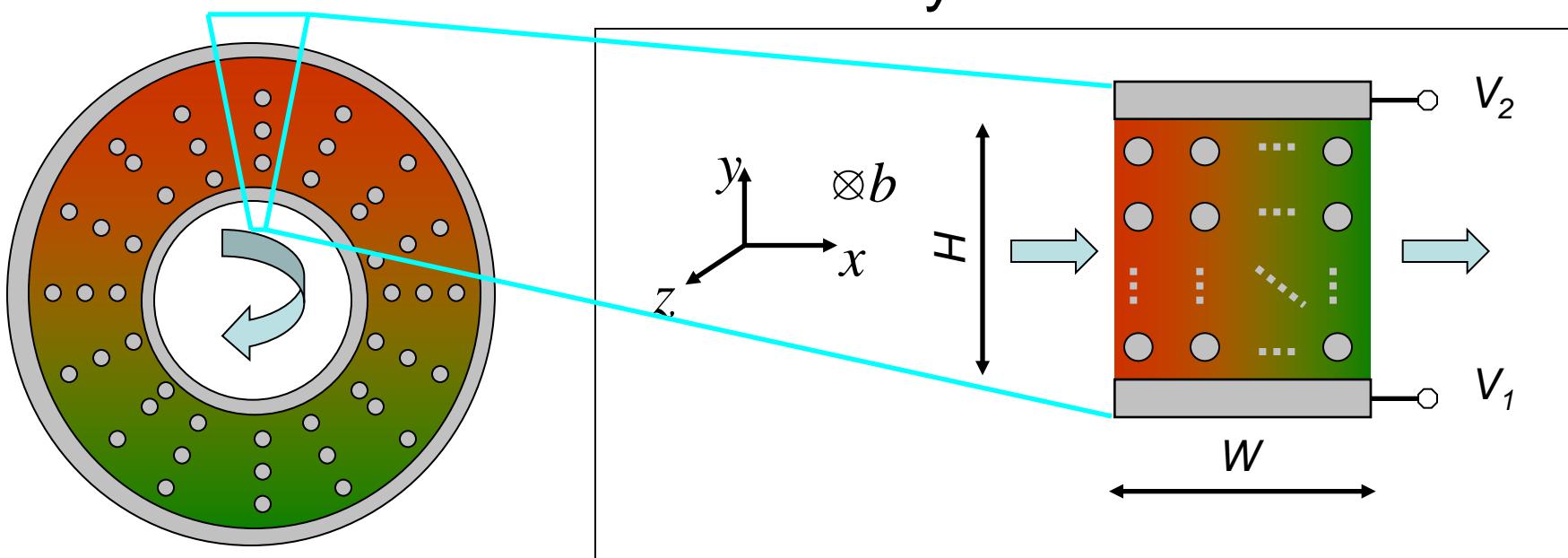


MHD Mixing, Xiang & Bau 2003



MHD Network, Zhong, Yi & Bau 2002

# MHD Driven Cyclic LC



## Advantages:

1. Handle small sample volumes on microfluidic devices
2. Continuous flow chromatography
3. Infinite column length
4. No moving parts for pumping
5. Controllable flow rate/ separation time

# Theory for Ion Transfer

- Nernst-planck

$$\vec{N}_i = \cancel{\bar{u}c_i} - D_i \nabla c_i - z_i \mu_i F c_i \nabla \phi \quad \cancel{\vec{j}} = -F \sum_{i=1}^k z_i \vec{N}_i$$

$$\frac{\partial c_i}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{N} = 0$$

- Poisson

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon^2} \quad \rho = \sum_i z_i c_i$$

- Butler-Volmer

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{j} = j_0 \left\{ c_1 e^{(1-\alpha)\Delta z [\phi - V_1]/RT} - c_2 e^{-\alpha\Delta z [\phi - V_1]/RT} \right\}, y = -H/2$$

$$n \cdot \vec{j} = j_0 \left\{ c_2 e^{-\alpha\Delta z [\phi - V_2]/RT} - c_1 e^{(1-\alpha)\Delta z [\phi - V_2]/RT} \right\}, y = H/2$$

- Mass Conserv.

$$\int_A c_i dA = c_{i0}$$

- Electro-neutral

$$\sum_{i=1}^k z_i c_i = 0$$

# Theory for Fluid Motion

- Navier-Stokes

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \vec{u} \right) = -\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \vec{u} + \vec{f}_{mag}$$

$$\vec{f}_{mag} = \vec{f}_L + \vec{f}_{\nabla B} + \vec{f}_E + \vec{f}_M$$

$$\vec{f}_L = \vec{j} \times \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{f}_{\nabla B} = \frac{\chi_m c_m b}{\mu_0} \nabla b$$

$$\vec{f}_E = F \nabla \phi \cdot \sum z_i c_i$$

$$\vec{f}_M = \sigma (\vec{u} \times \vec{b}) \times \vec{b}$$

Assumptions:

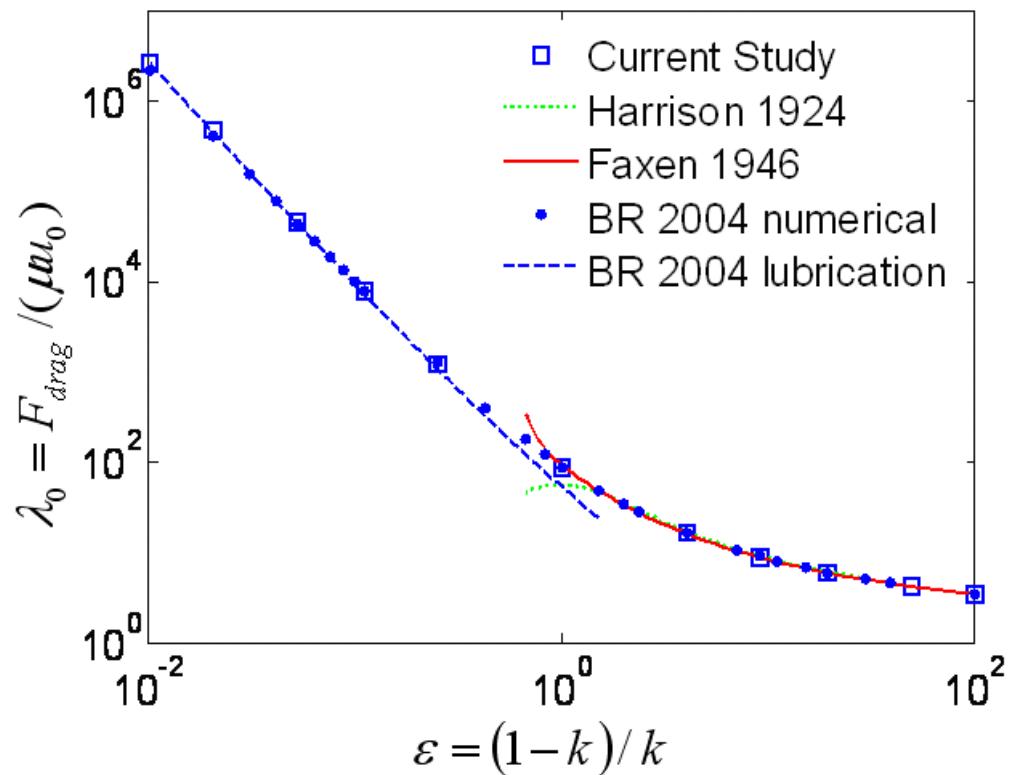
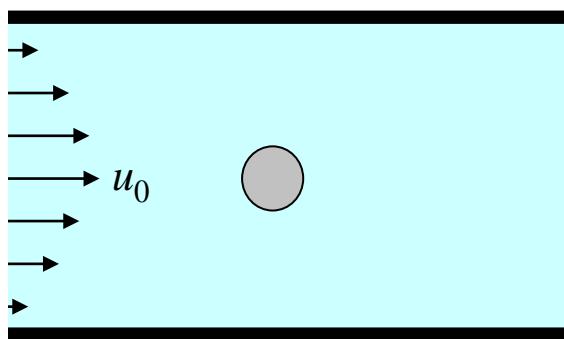
1. Uniform magnetic field
2. Low magnetic Reynolds number

Full Problem: Strongly Coupled NP + NS

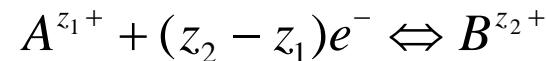
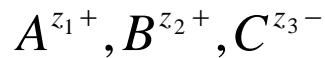
# Code Verification I – Pressure Driven Flow

$$F_{drag} = F_p + F_\mu = \oint_S \left\{ -n_x p + \mu \left[ 2n_x u_x + n_y (u_y + v_x) \right] \right\} dS$$

$$\lambda_0 = F_{drag} / (\mu u_0) \quad \varepsilon = (1 - k) / k \quad k = d / H$$

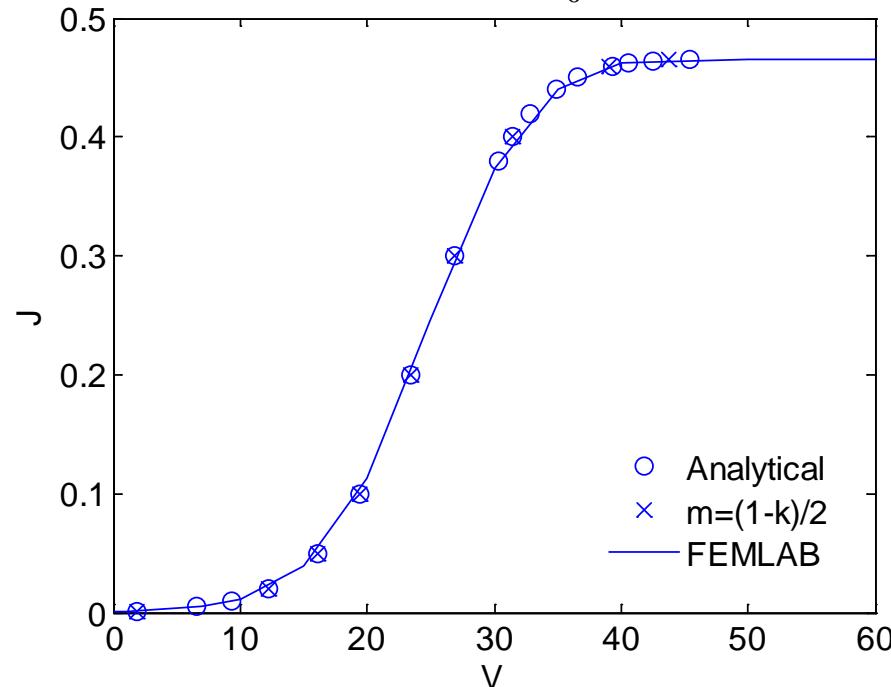


# Code Verification II – Electrochemistry of RedOx



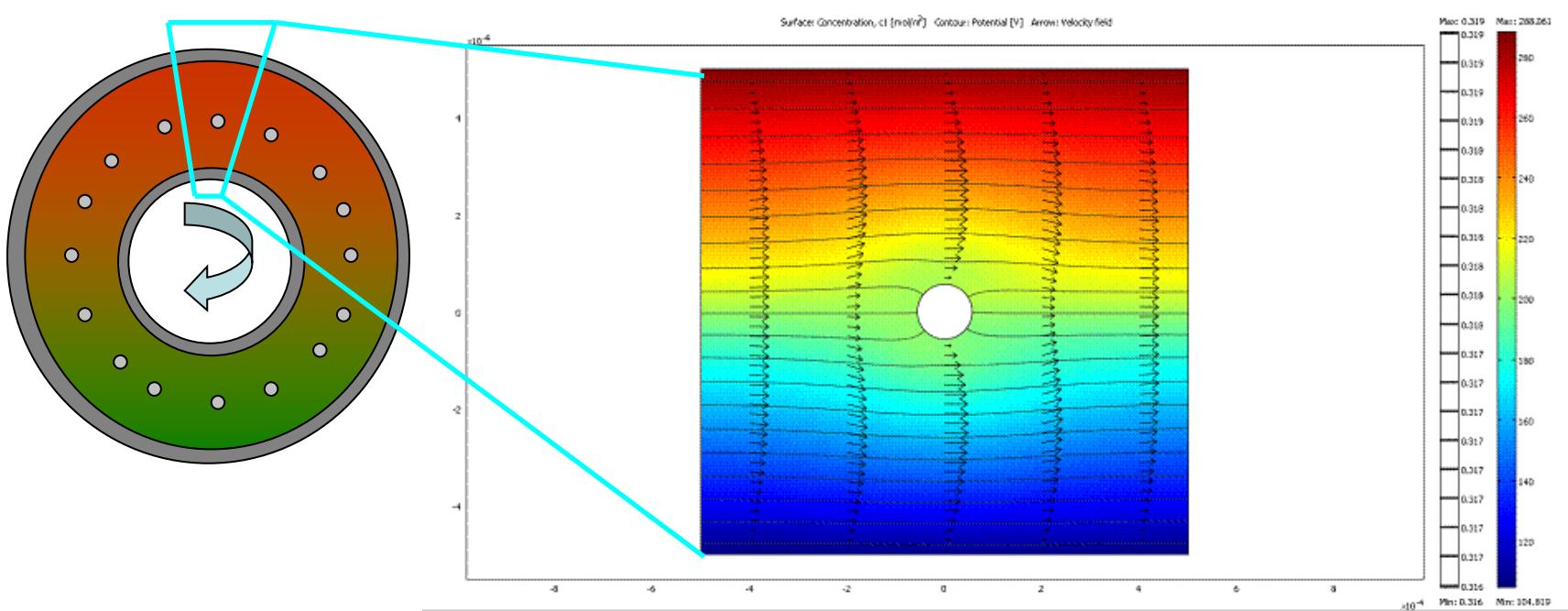
$$Y = \frac{y}{H}, \quad C_i = \frac{c_i}{\bar{c}_3}, \quad \Phi = \frac{\phi}{RT/F}, \quad J = \frac{j}{D_1 F \bar{c}_3 / H}$$

$$\alpha = 0.5, k = 0.2, J_0 = 0.001$$



Current-voltage relation, comparison between  
FEMLAB simulation and analytical results

# 2-D Full Model for MHD Flow around Cylinders

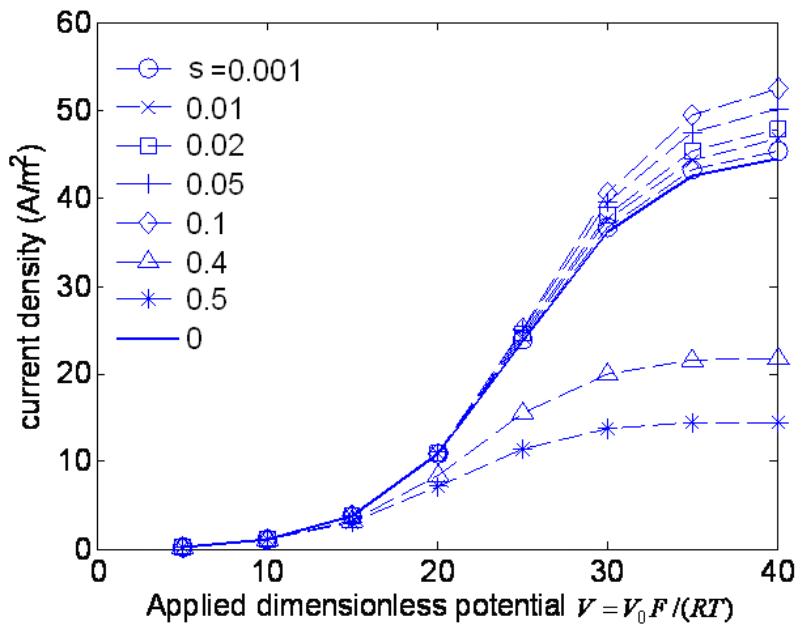


$$H = 1\text{mm} \quad W = 1\text{mm} \quad d = 0.11\text{mm} \quad s = \pi d^2 / 4HW = 0.01$$

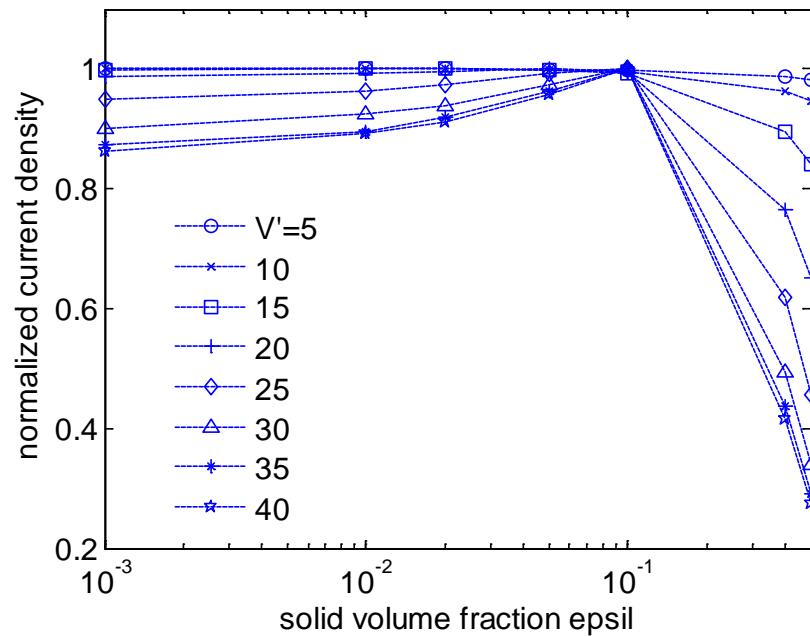
$$j_0 = 10^{-6} \text{A/m}^2 \quad \alpha = 0.5 \quad \bar{c}_i = (0.2, 0.2, 1)\text{M} \quad z_i = (3, 2, -1)$$

$$D_i = (1, 4/3, 1) \times 10^{-9} \text{m}^2/\text{s} \quad V_0 = 25RT/F \quad B = 0.4T$$

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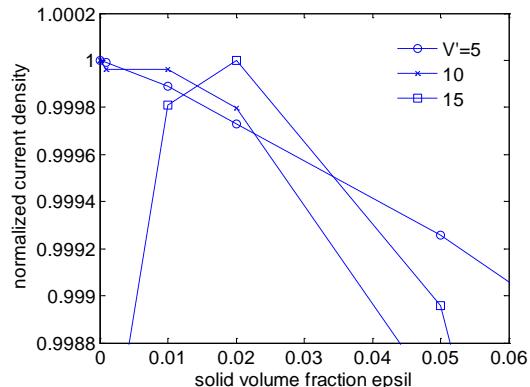


j~V curve at different s values



j~s curve at different V values

- Limiting current depends on solid volume fraction
- $s$  for maximum current depends on applied potential
- y-velocity & x-velocity gradient causes current change
- Total number of mobile ions different with  $s$



# Ionic & Equivalent Conductivity

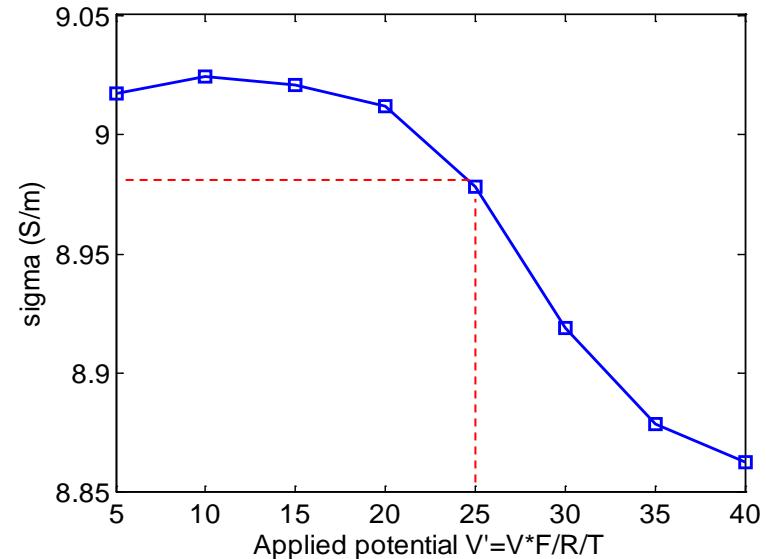
- Ionic conductivity

$$\vec{N}_i = \bar{u}c_i - D_i \nabla c_i - z_i \mu_i F c_i \nabla \phi$$

$$\vec{j} = -F \sum_{i=1}^k z_i \vec{N}_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -D_i F \nabla \left( \sum z_i c_i \right) - \left( \sum F^2 z_i^2 \nu_i c_i \right) \nabla \phi \\ &= -\sigma \nabla \phi \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_{ionic} = \frac{F^2}{RT} \sum z_i^2 D_i c_i$$



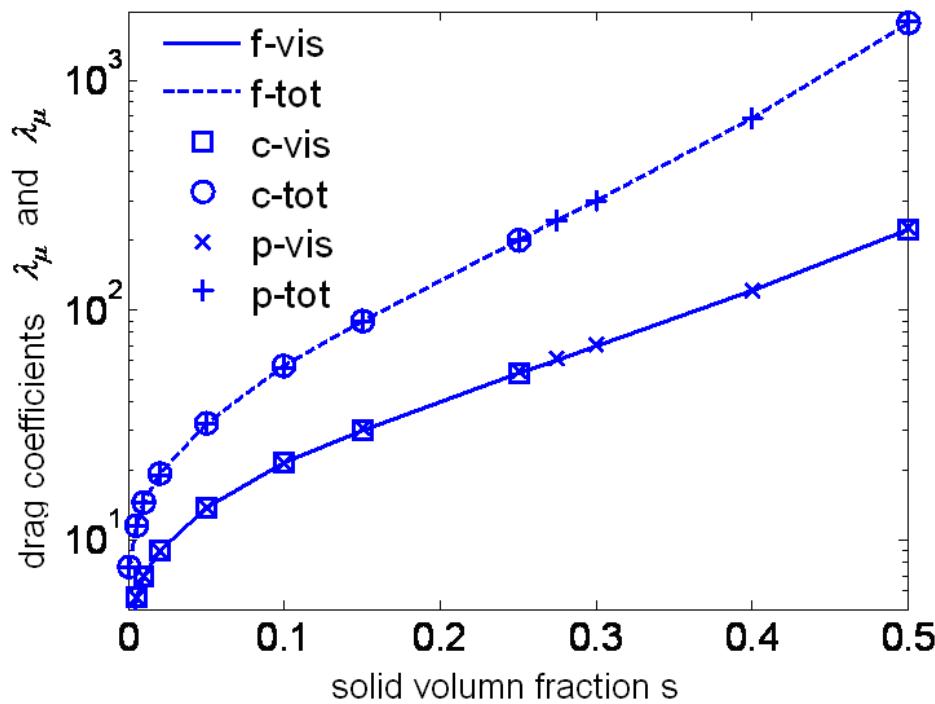
- Equivalent conductivity

$$\sigma_{eff} = \frac{jL}{\phi(H) - \phi(0)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \vec{j} &= 0 \\ \nabla \cdot (\sigma_{eff} \nabla \phi) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}V &= 25RT / F \\ \sigma_{eff} &= 8.98 \Omega^{-1} m^{-1} \\ \Delta \phi &= 2.64 mV\end{aligned}$$

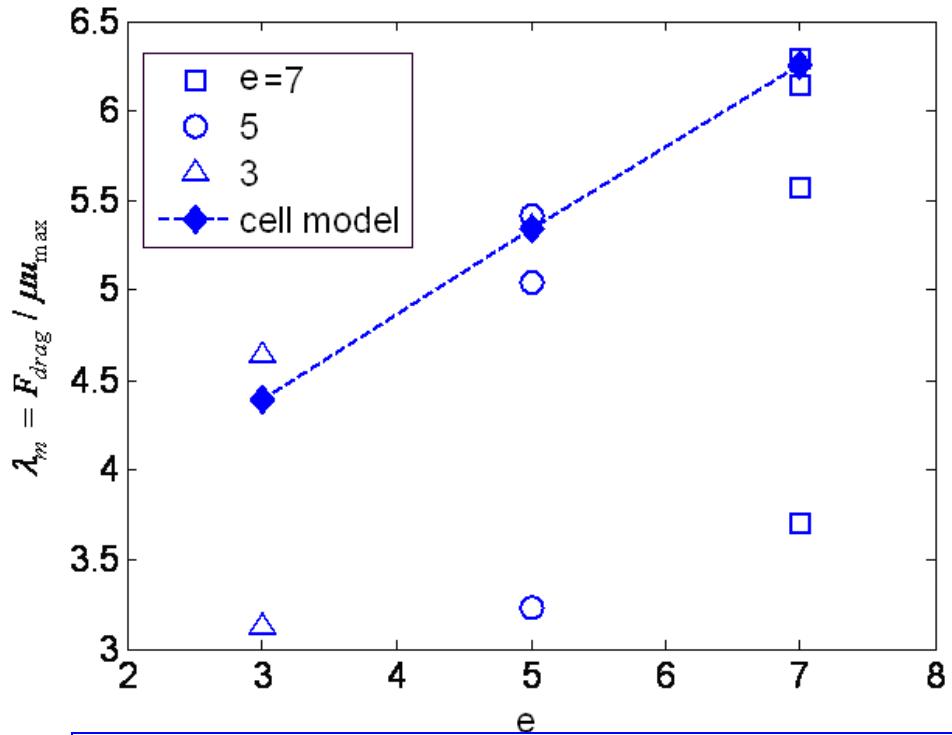
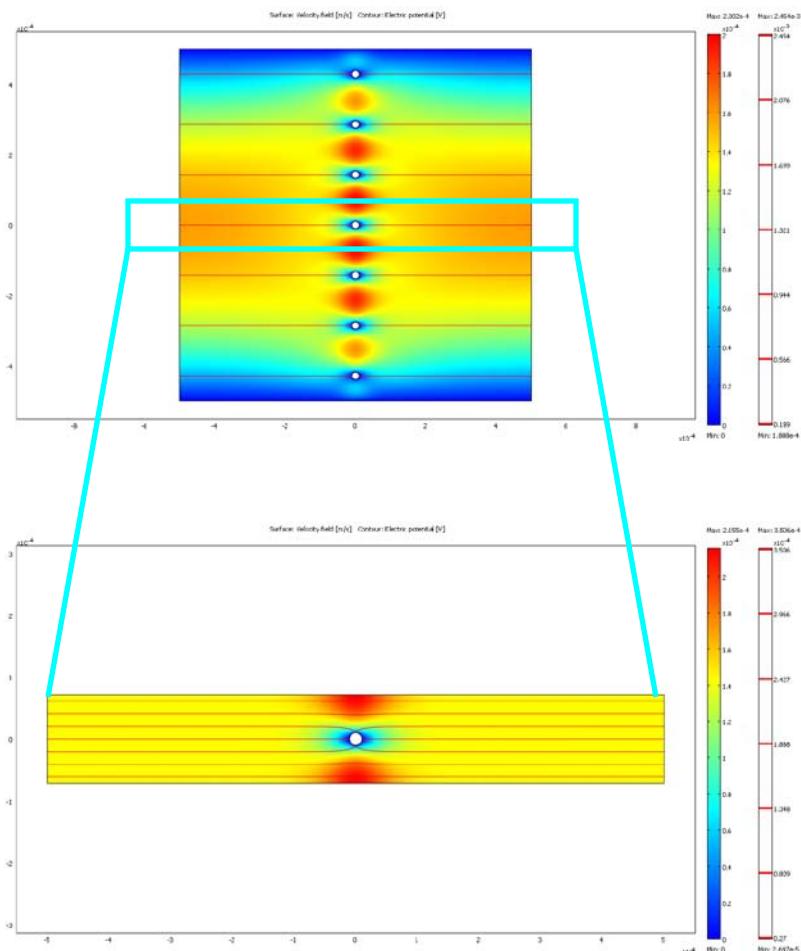
# Comparison of Different Models for 2D MHD



f	-	full model
c	-	conductivity model
p	-	pressure driven flow
vis	-	viscous drag coefficient $\lambda_\mu = F_\mu / \mu \bar{u}$
tot	-	total drag coefficient $\lambda = F_{drag} / \mu \bar{u}$

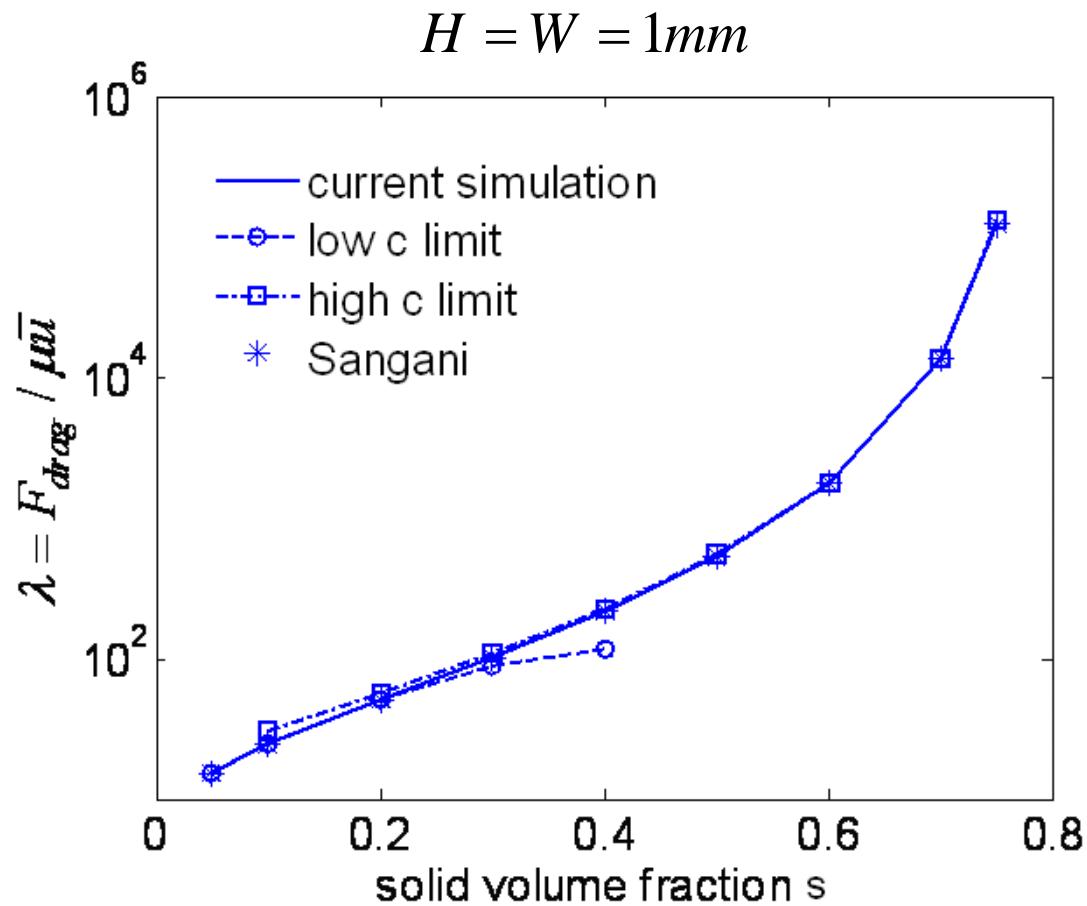
# Multiple Rows – Conductivity Model

$$\lambda_m = F_{drag} / \mu u_{max}$$



Comparison of results from:  
 Symbols – columns of  $e$  cylinders  
 Dashed line – a representative cell with  
 a single cylinder

# Pillar Array – Conductivity Model



Comparison of drag coefficients for square array:

Solid line – conductivity model MHD flow

Symbols – pressure driven flow

# Porous Media – Darcy Brinkman Model

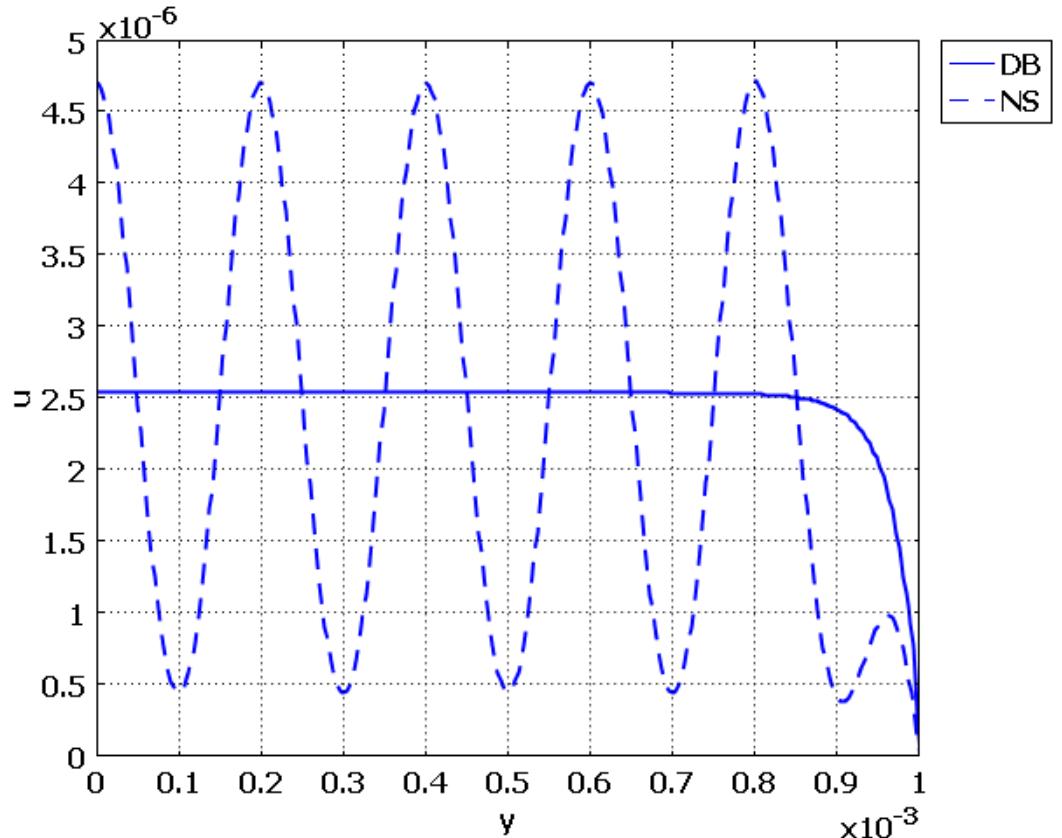
$$\begin{cases} \nabla \cdot \frac{\gamma}{\varepsilon_p} \left[ \nabla \bar{u} + (\nabla \bar{u})^T \right] \\ \nabla \cdot \bar{u} = 0 \end{cases} + \left( \frac{\mu}{\kappa} \bar{u} + \bar{f}_L + \nabla p \right) = 0$$

$$H = W = 0.2\text{mm}$$

$$d = 0.1\text{mm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa &= 7.96 \times 10^{-10} \text{m}^2 \\ \bar{f}_L &= 3.19 \text{N/m}^3 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\bar{f}_L} \right\} \varepsilon_p = 0.8$$

$$\Delta\phi = 0.264\text{mV}$$



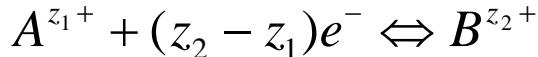
# Conclusions

1. The drag coefficient of the MHD flow agrees with that predicted for pressure-driven flow around single and multiple pillars.
2. A simpler Ohmic model was able to properly describe the MHD flow.
3. MHD flow in the pillar array can be simulated using computational unit cells with periodic/ symmetry boundary conditions.
4. The presence of pillars in the MHD conduit does not necessarily reduce the current transmitted between the electrodes.

- Thank You !
- Questions ?

# 1-D J~V relation for RedOx Electrolyte I

$$A^{z_1+}, B^{z_2+}, C^{z_3-}$$



$$V$$

$$\frac{y}{H}, \quad \frac{c_i}{C_3}, \quad \frac{\phi}{RT/F}, \quad \frac{j}{D_1 F c_3 / H}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dC_1}{dY} + z_1 C_1 \frac{d\Phi}{dY} &= -\frac{J}{z_1 - z_2} \\ \frac{dC_2}{dY} + z_2 C_2 \frac{d\Phi}{dY} &= \frac{D_1}{D_2} \cdot \frac{J}{z_1 - z_2} \\ \frac{dC_3}{dY} - z_3 C_3 \frac{d\Phi}{dY} &= 0 \\ z_1 C_1 + z_2 C_2 &= z_3 C_3\end{aligned}$$

$$z_1 = 3, z_2 = 2, z_3 = 1$$

$$C_1 + C_2 = J \left( 1 - \frac{D_1}{D_2} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} - X \right) + \frac{3-k}{2} - C_3$$

$$\left[ 12 \frac{D_1}{D_2} C_1 + \left( 6 + 2 \frac{D_1}{D_2} \right) C_2 \right] dC_1 + \left[ \left( 3 + 6 \frac{D_1}{D_2} \right) C_1 + 6 C_2 \right] dC_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{D_1}{D_2} = \frac{3}{4} \quad (C_1 + C_2)(3C_1 + 2C_2) = m$$

$$C_3^2 - \left[ \frac{J}{4} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} - X \right) + \frac{3-k}{2} \right] C_3 + m = 0$$

$$C_3 = \frac{b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4m}}{2} \quad b = \frac{J}{4} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} - X \right) + \frac{3-k}{2}$$

$$C_1 = 3C_3 - 2b \quad C_2 = 3b - 4C_3 \quad C_3 = \frac{b + \sqrt{b^2 - (1-k)^2}}{2}$$

$$J = J_0 \left\{ \frac{C_1(0)}{k} e^{(1-\alpha)[\Phi(0)-V_1]} - \frac{C_2(0)}{(1-3k)/2} e^{-\alpha[\Phi(0)-V_1]} \right\} \text{ at } Y = 0$$

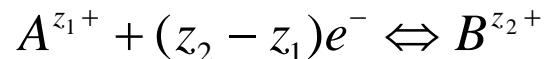
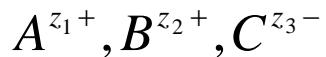
$$J = J_0 \left\{ \frac{C_2(1)}{(1-3k)/2} e^{-\alpha[\Phi(1)-V_2]} - \frac{C_1(1)}{k} e^{(1-\alpha)[\Phi(1)-V_2]} \right\} \text{ at } Y = 1$$

$$e^{\Phi(0)} = \frac{2k}{1-3k} \cdot \frac{C_2(0) + C_2(1) \exp^{\alpha(V_2 - \Delta\Phi)}}{C_1(0) + C_1(1) \exp^{(\alpha-1)(V_2 - \Delta\Phi)}}$$

$$m = \frac{1-k}{2}$$

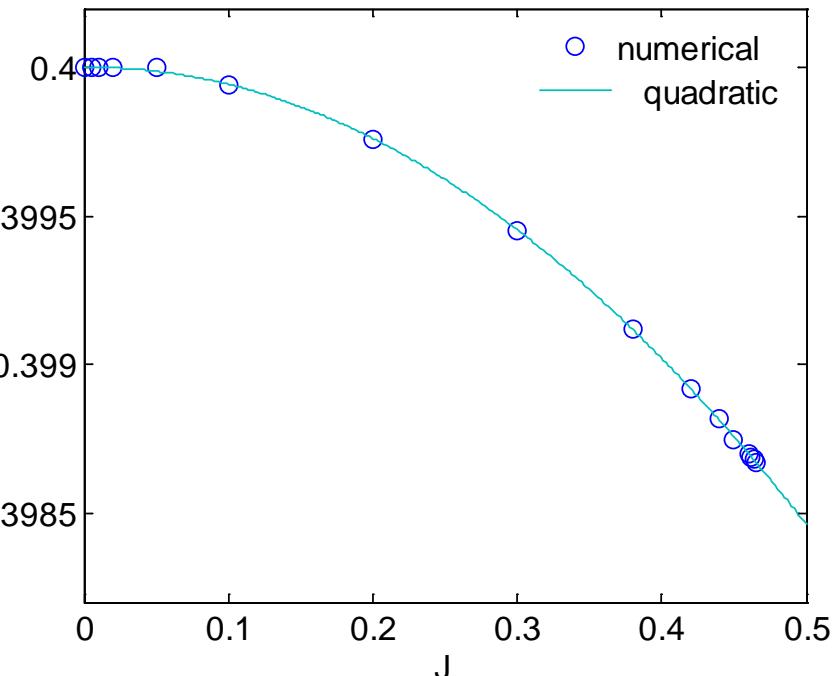
$$\frac{d\Phi}{dX} = \frac{1}{C_3} \frac{dC_3}{dX}$$

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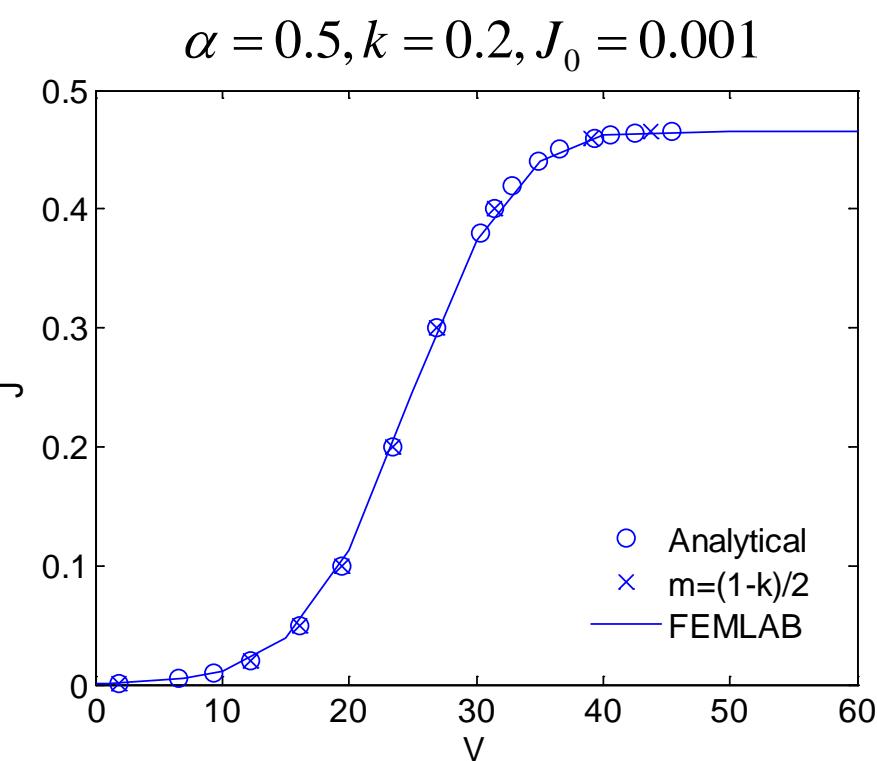


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$$(C_1 + C_2)(3C_1 + 2C_2) = m$$



Determine the integration constant as a function of injection current



Current-voltage relation, comparison between different methods

# Slip Velocity Effect

$$u_{\parallel} = -\frac{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \zeta E_{\parallel}}{\mu}$$

