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# HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER TO PARTICLES IN FLUIDIZED BED

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## CORRELATIONS: SINGLE-PHASE FLOW

Relationships for single spherical particles in single-phase flow have been determined by Frössling (1938), Ranz-Marshall (1952) , Rowe (1965)

$$Nu_a = 2 + 0.69 Re_a^{0.5} Pr^{0.33}$$

$$Sh_a = 2 + 0.69 Re_a^{0.5} Sc^{0.33}$$

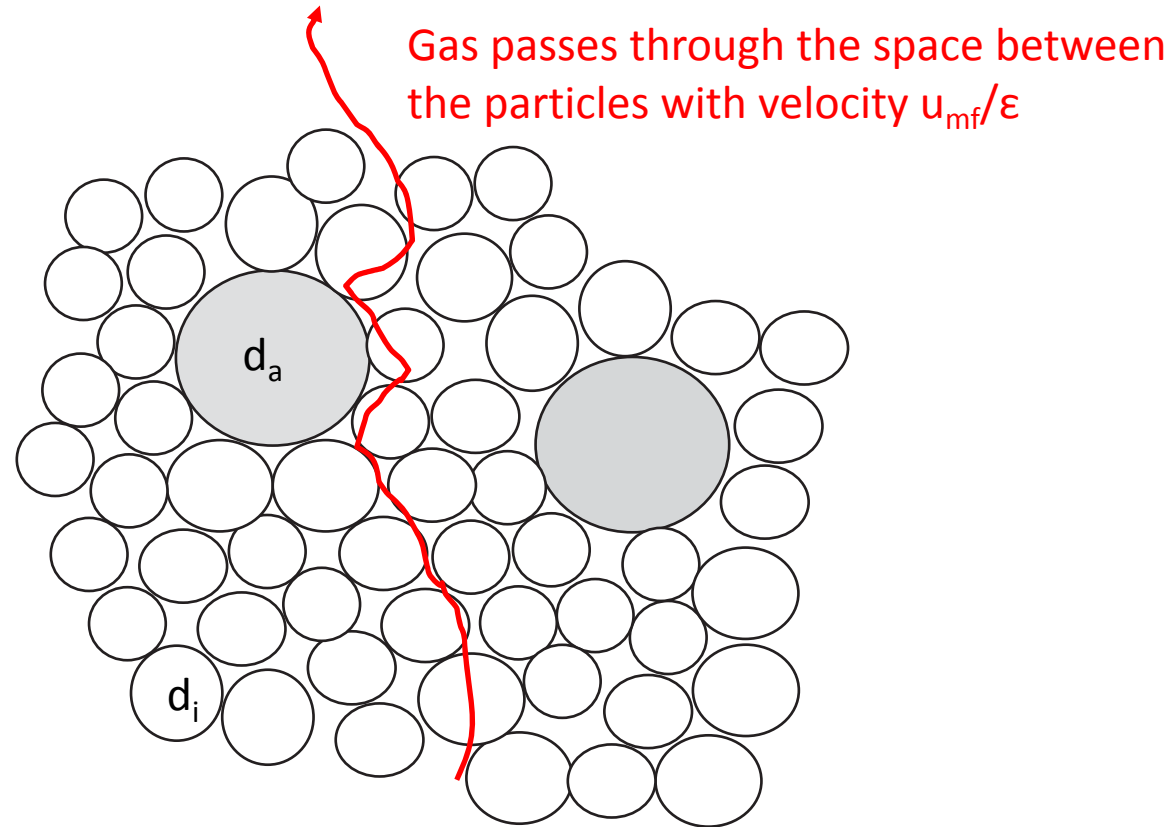
Gas conduction and gas convection terms, related to the particle diameter  $d_a$ , are analogous for heat and mass transfer in this case.

Contribution from radiation has to be added in the heat transfer case.

$$\text{Heat transfer} \quad Nu_a = hd_a/k \quad Pr = \mu c_p/k$$

$$\text{Mass transfer} \quad Sh_a = \beta d_a/D \quad Sc = \nu/D$$

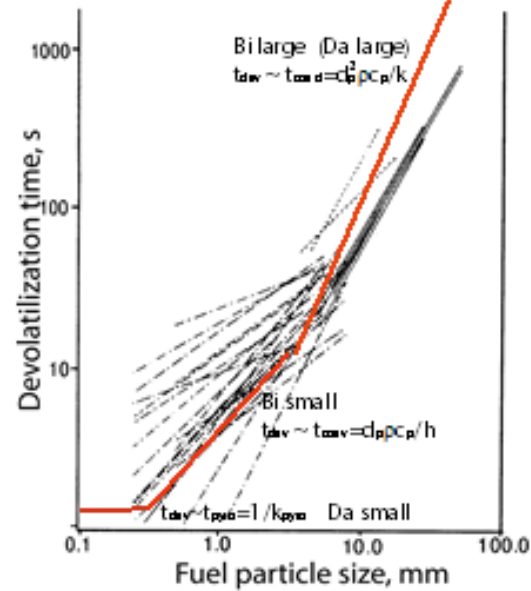
# HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER BETWEEN THE GAS AND ACTIVE PARTICLES IN THE BED



Two large active particles surrounded by smaller inert particles in a bed with fluidization velocity  $u$ .

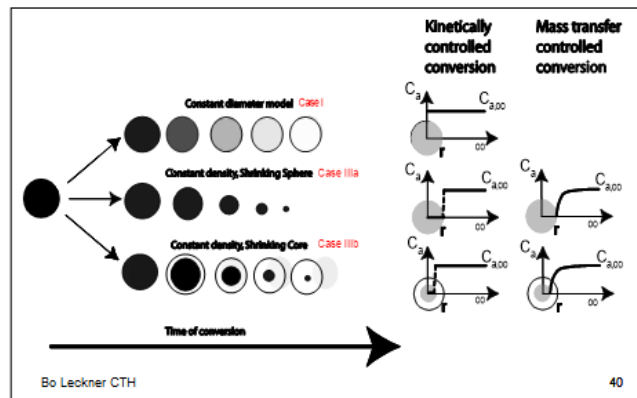
# APPLICATIONS

Various chemical engineering processes in fluidized bed, e.g. in fuel conversion



Drying and pyrolysis of fuel particles

## REGIMES OF CHAR CONVERSION



Combustion of char

## CORRELATIONS: FLUIDIZED BED

There are many correlations giving different results having a similar structure (Shown for heat transfer (Nu) but analogous for mass transfer (Sh))

$$Nu_a = const + const(Re_{a,mf} / \varepsilon_{mf})^n Pr^{0.33}$$

where  $Nu_a = h_c d_a / k_g$   $Re_{a,mf} = u_{mf} d_a \rho_g / \mu$

or

$$Nu_i = const Ar^n (d_a / d_i)^m$$

where  $Nu_i = h_c d_i / k_g$  and  $Ar = d_i^3 g \rho_g (\rho_s - \rho_g) / \mu^2$

Transformations

$$Nu_i = Nu_a d_i / d_a$$

$$Re_{i,mf} = Re_{a,mf} d_i / d_a$$

$$Re_{i,mf} = Ar / (1400 + 5.22 Ar^{0.5})$$

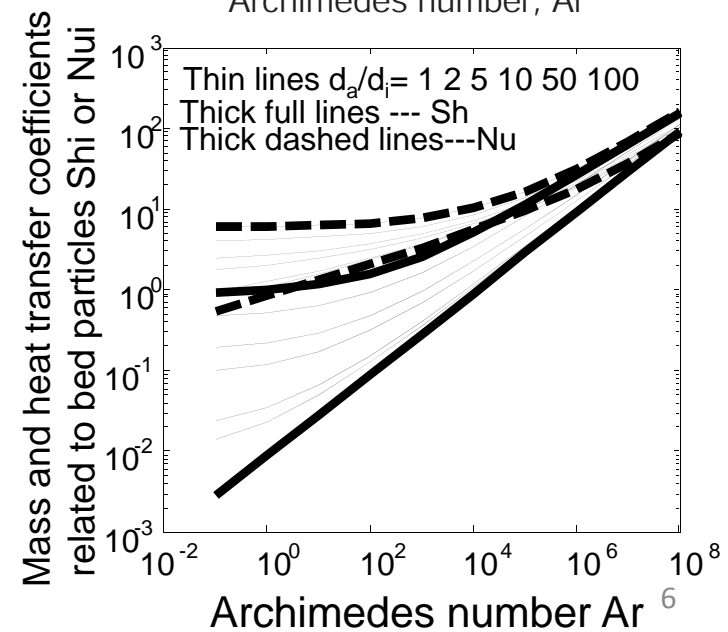
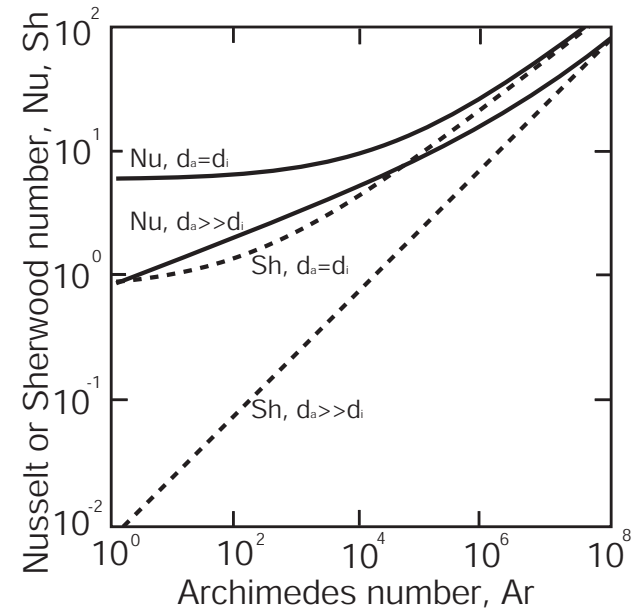
# Baskakov-Palchonok's approach: HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER INTERPOLATED BETWEEN $d_a=d_i$ and $d_a \gg d_i$

- $Sh_1$  or  $Nu_1$  is the low limit  $d_a=d_i$
- $Sh_{i,\infty}$  or  $Nu_{i,\infty}$  is the large limit  $d_a \gg d_i$
- $Sh_i$  or  $Nu_i$  are in between the limits

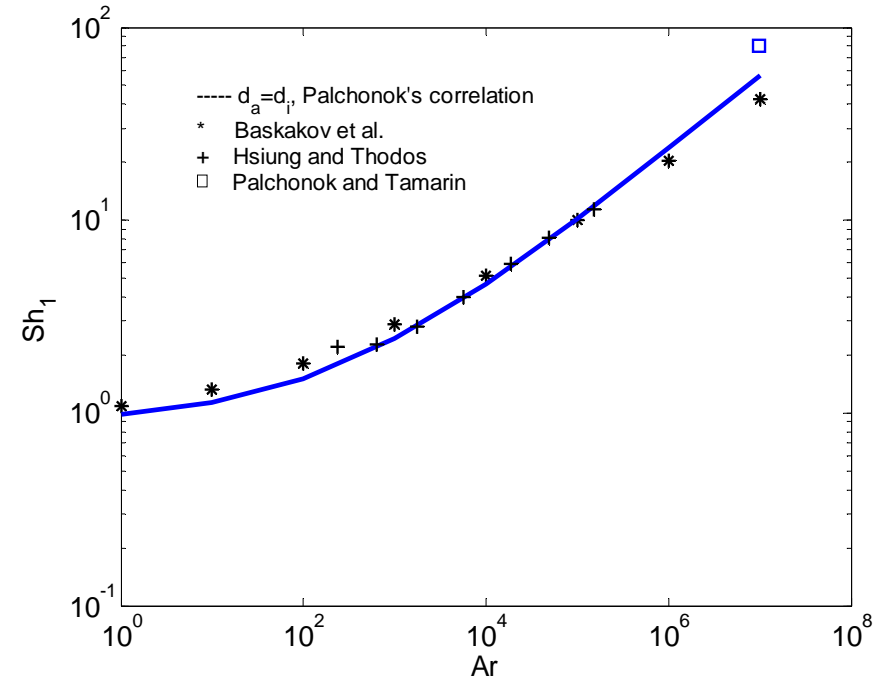
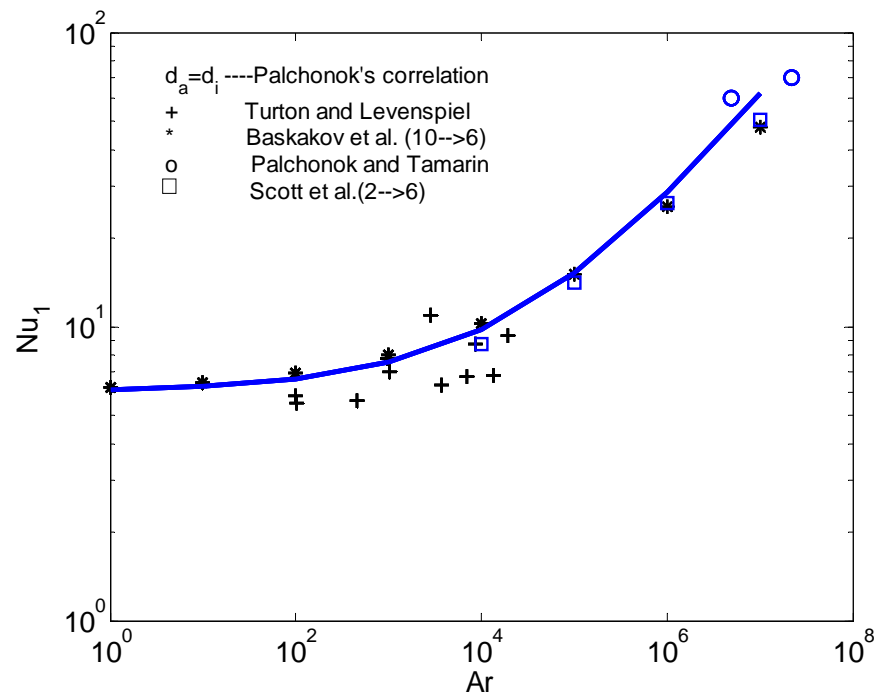
The interpolation formulae:

$$\frac{Nu_i - Nu_{i,\infty}}{Nu_1 - Nu_{i,\infty}} = (d_i / d_a)^n$$

$$\frac{Sh_i - Sh_{i,\infty}}{Sh_1 - Sh_{i,\infty}} = (d_i / d_a)^m$$



# THE $d_i=d_a$ LIMIT



— fit to data in the limit  $d_a=d_i$  (Palchonok et al., 1992)

$$Nu_1 = 6 + 0.117 Ar_i^{0.39} Pr^{0.33}$$

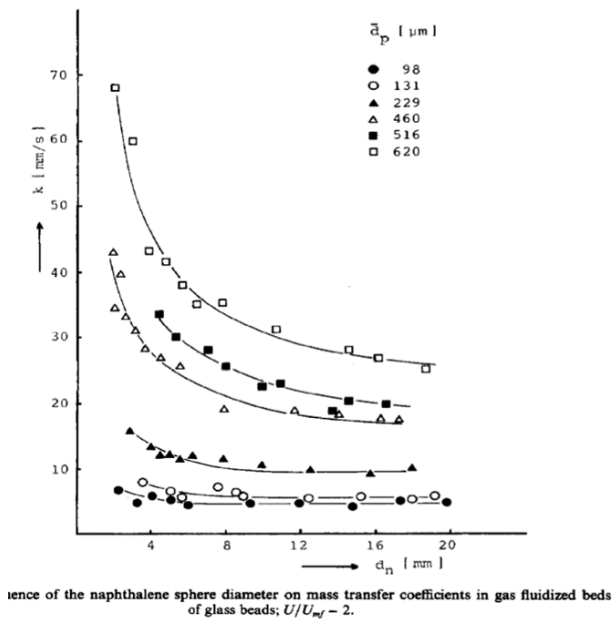
$$Sh_1 = 2\varepsilon_{mf} + 0.117 Ar_i^{0.39} Sc^{0.33}$$

# THE LARGE ACTIVE PARTICLE LIMIT $d_a \gg d_i$

Transfer to a large, fixed, and rounded object in a fluidized bed,  
Baskakov (1973),

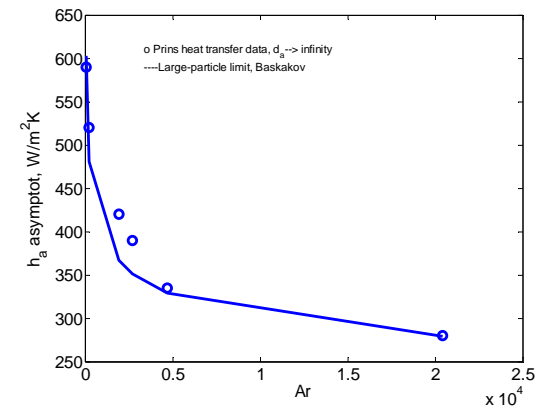
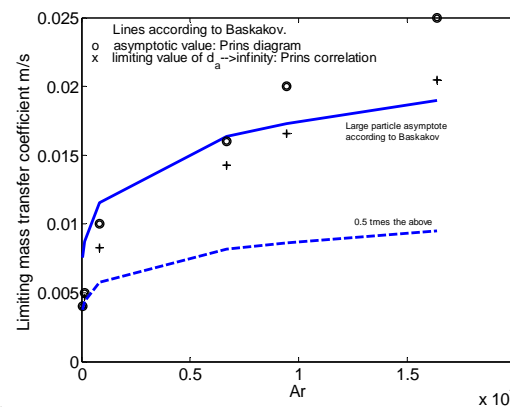
$$Nu_{i,\infty} = 0.85 Ar^{0.19} + 0.006 Ar^{0.5} Pr^{0.33}$$

$$Sh_{i,\infty} = 0.009 Ar^{0.5} Sc^{0.33}$$



(data from Prins 1987)

The mass (and heat) transfer coefficient goes to asymptotic values as  $d_a \rightarrow \infty$





# AVAILABLE HEAT TRANSFER CORRELATIONS

Scott et al. 2004

Tsukada and Horio, 1992

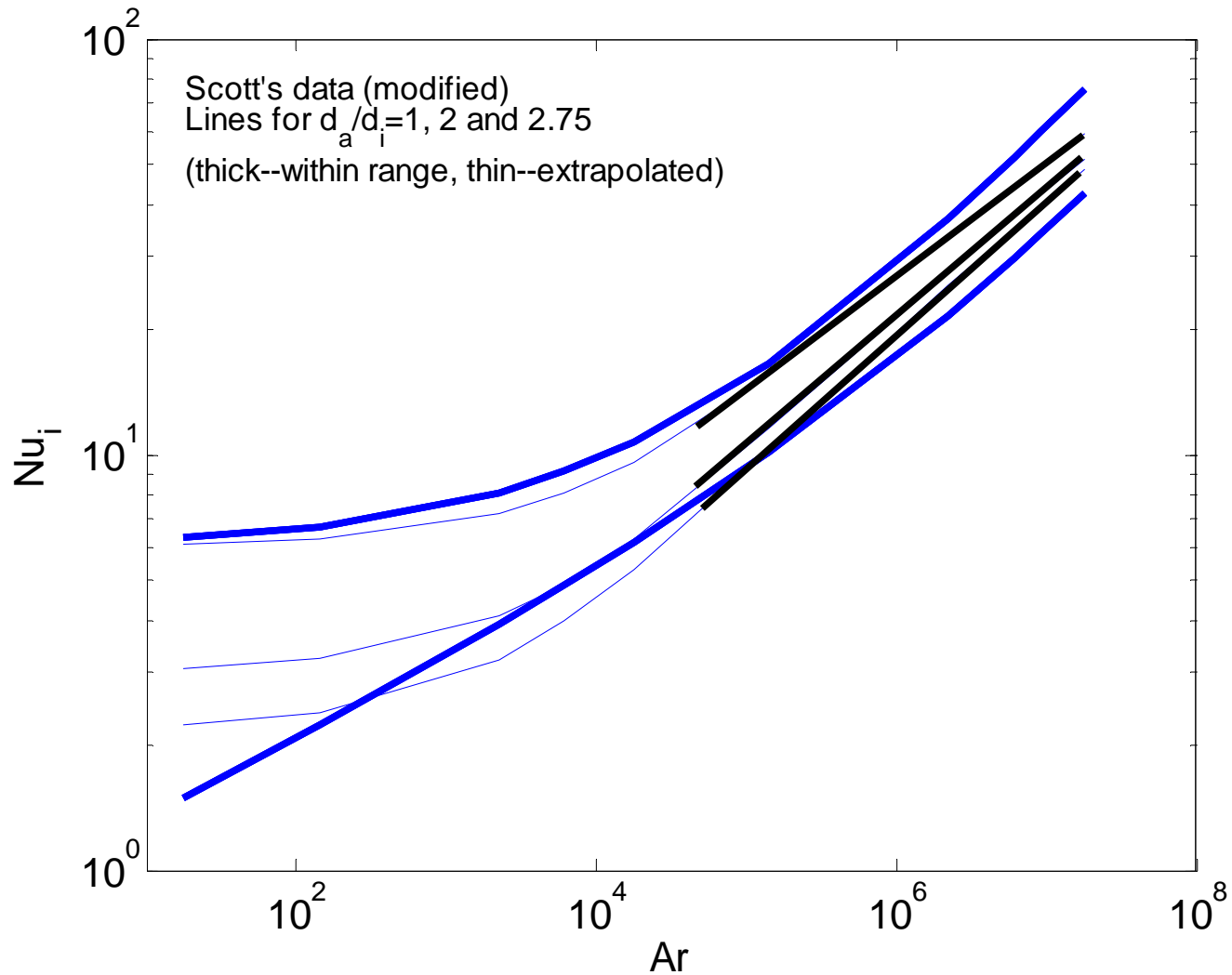
Prins, 1987

Babosa 1985

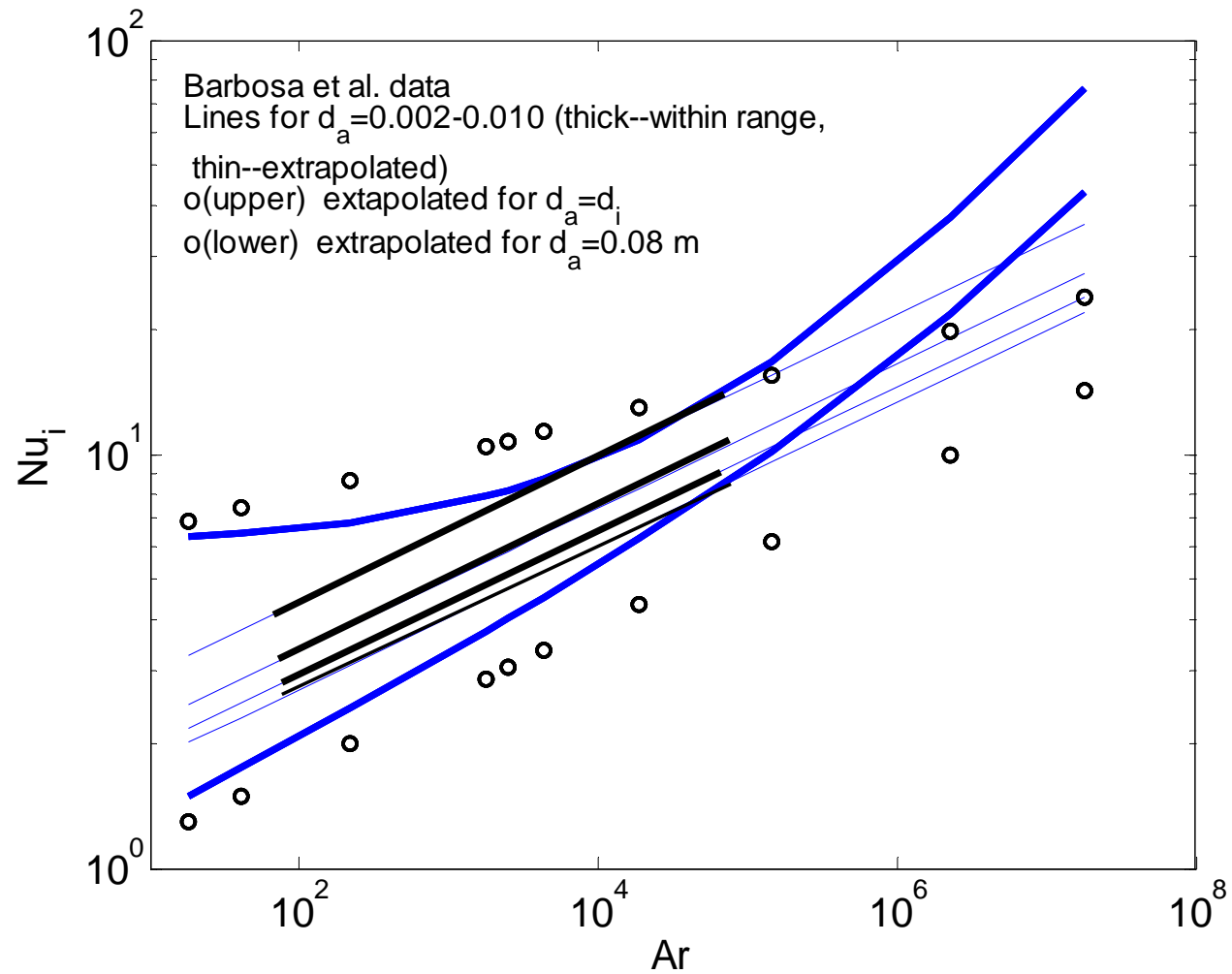
Shah, 1983

Palchonok and Tamarin, 1983

HT: Scott et al. 2004; 
$$Nu_a = 2 + 1.0 Re_{mf,a}^{0.6} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{0.26}$$

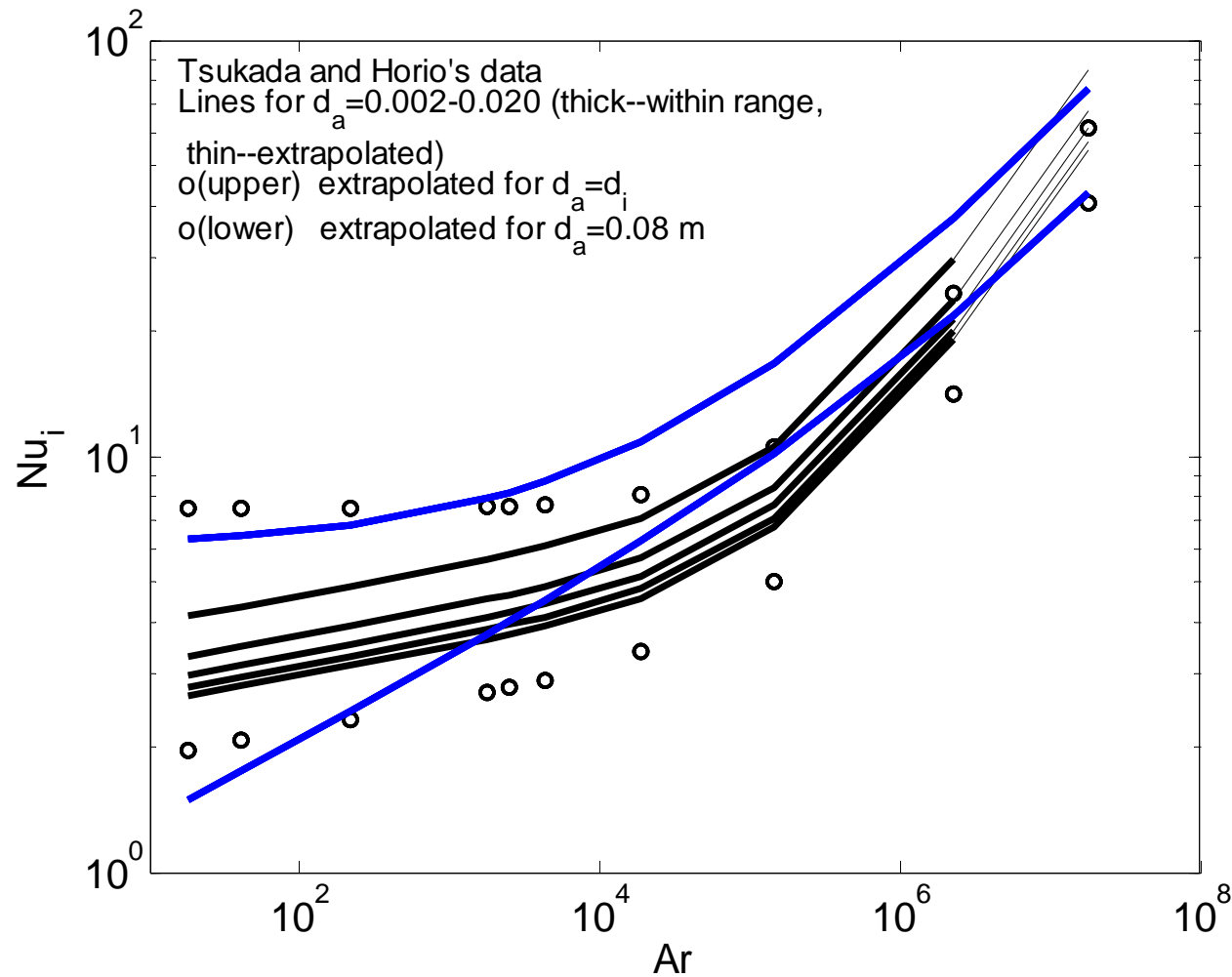


HT: Barbosa et al., 1995; 
$$Nu_{i,\max} = 5.33 Ar^{0.09} \left(\frac{d_i}{d_a}\right)^{0.25}$$

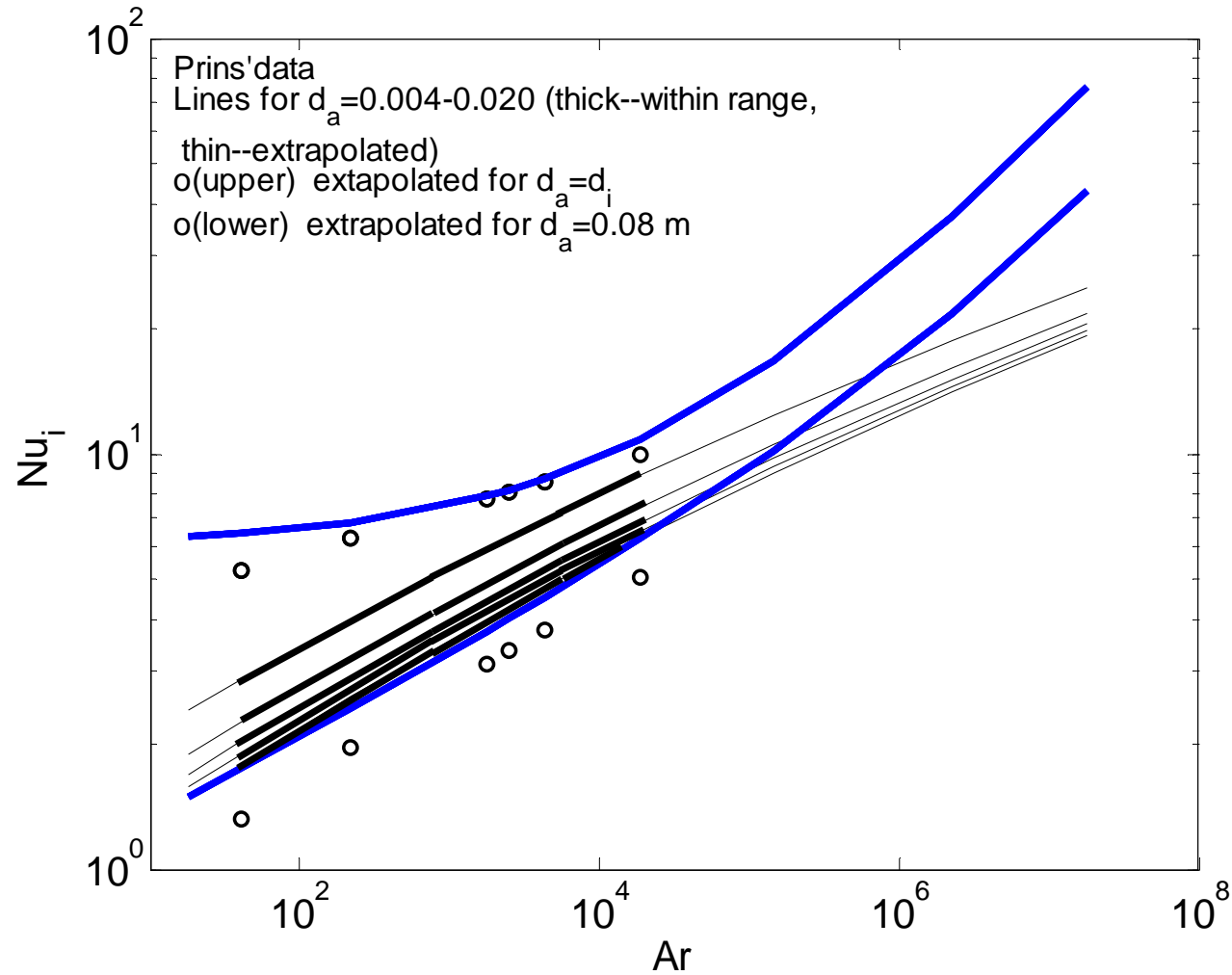


HT: Tsukada and Horio, 1992:

$$Nu_{a,\max} = (d_a / d_i)^{0.8}; \quad Nu_{i,\max} = (7.5 + 0.1 \text{Pr} \text{Re}_{mf}) (d_i / d_a)^{0.2}$$

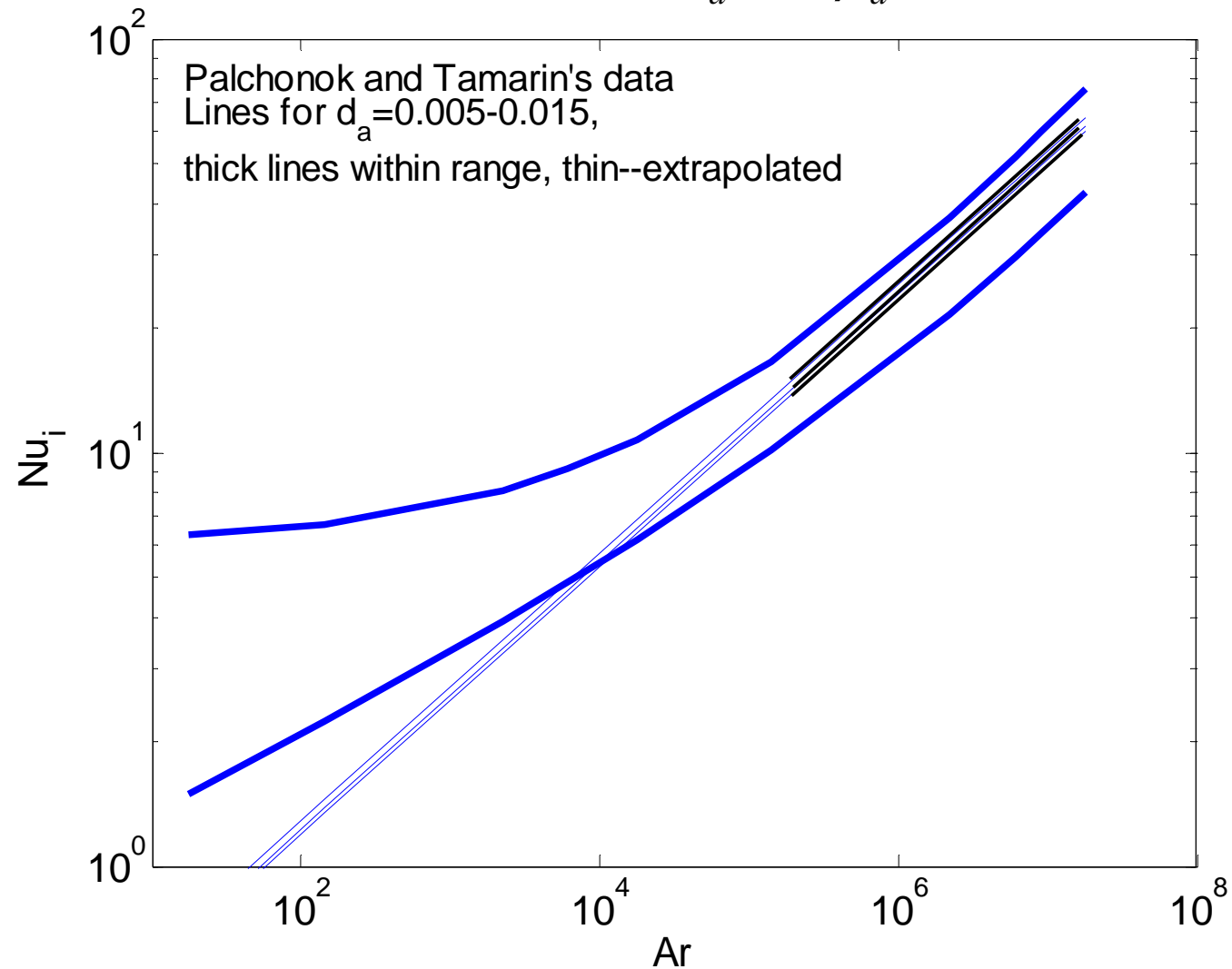


HT: Prins, 1987;  $Nu_{i,\max} = 3.539 Ar^n \left(\frac{d_i}{d_a}\right)^{0.257}$  where  $n = 0.105 \left(\frac{d_i}{d_a}\right)^{-0.062}$



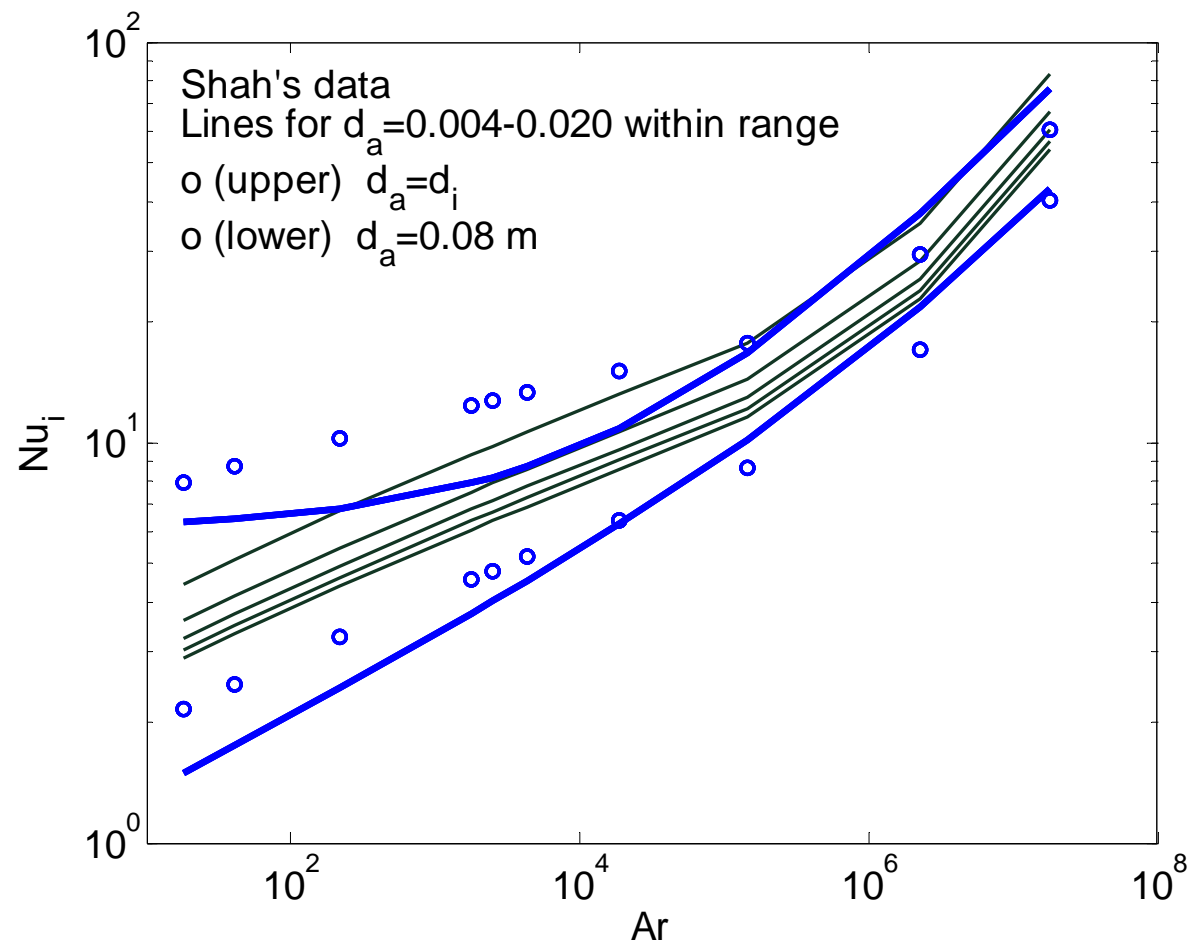
HT:Palchonok and Tamarin, 1983;

$$Nu_{i,\max} = 0.41 Ar^{-0.3} \left(\frac{d_i}{d_a}\right)^{0.2} \left(\frac{\rho_i}{\rho_a}\right)^{-0.07} \phi^{0.66}$$

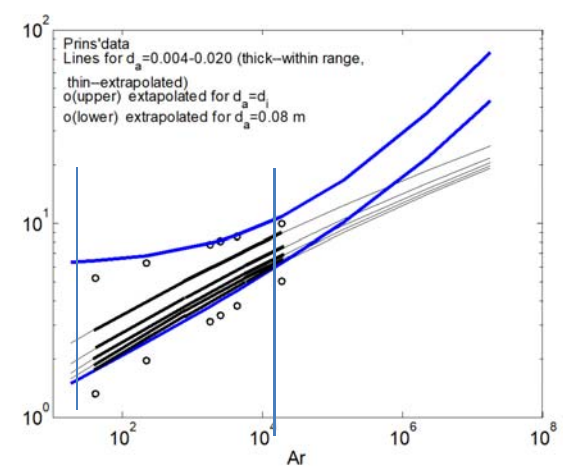
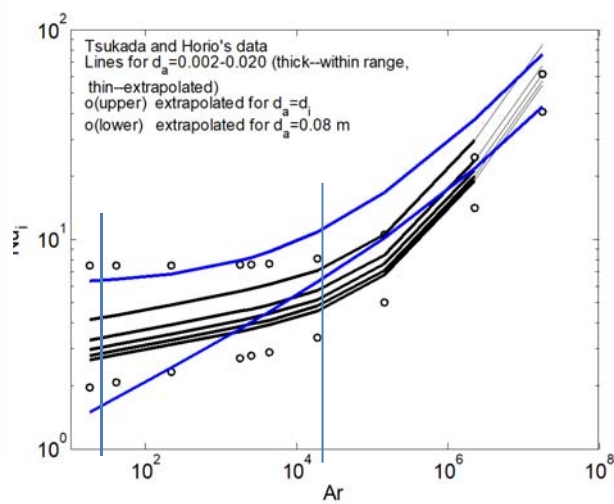
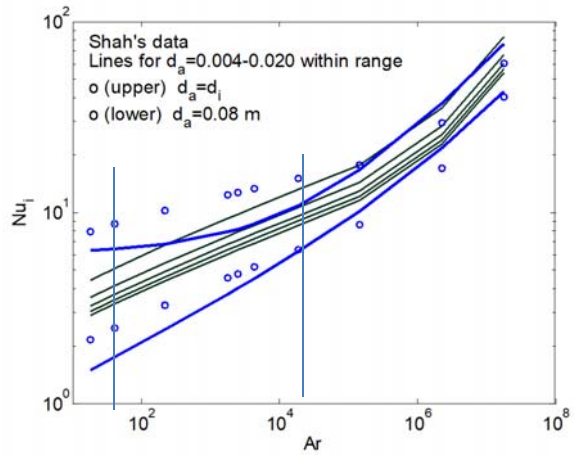
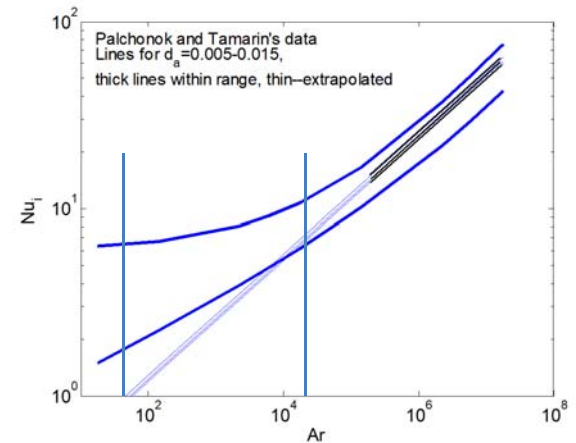
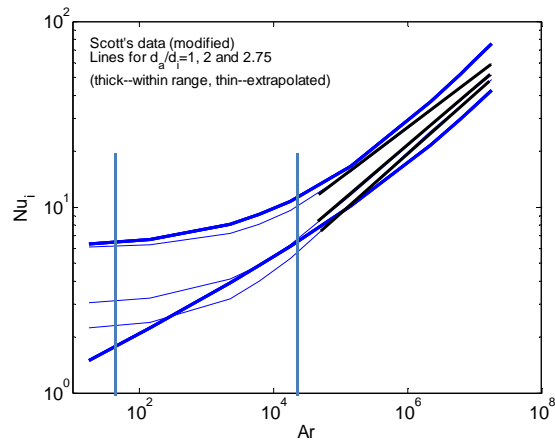
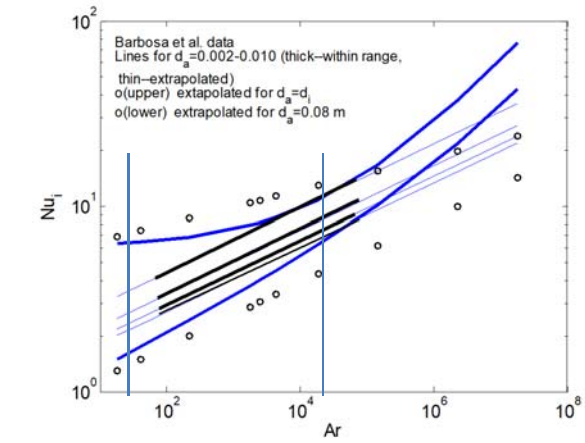


HT: Shah, 1983;  $Nu_{i,\max} = 7.6 Re_{opt}^{0.158} \left(\frac{d_i}{d_a}\right)^{0.195} \left(\frac{c_{pa}}{c_{pi}}\right)^{0.18}$  for  $Ar < 40000$

$Nu_{i,\max} = 0.463 Re_{opt}^{0.695} \left(\frac{d_i}{d_a}\right)^{0.195}$  for  $Ar > 40000$



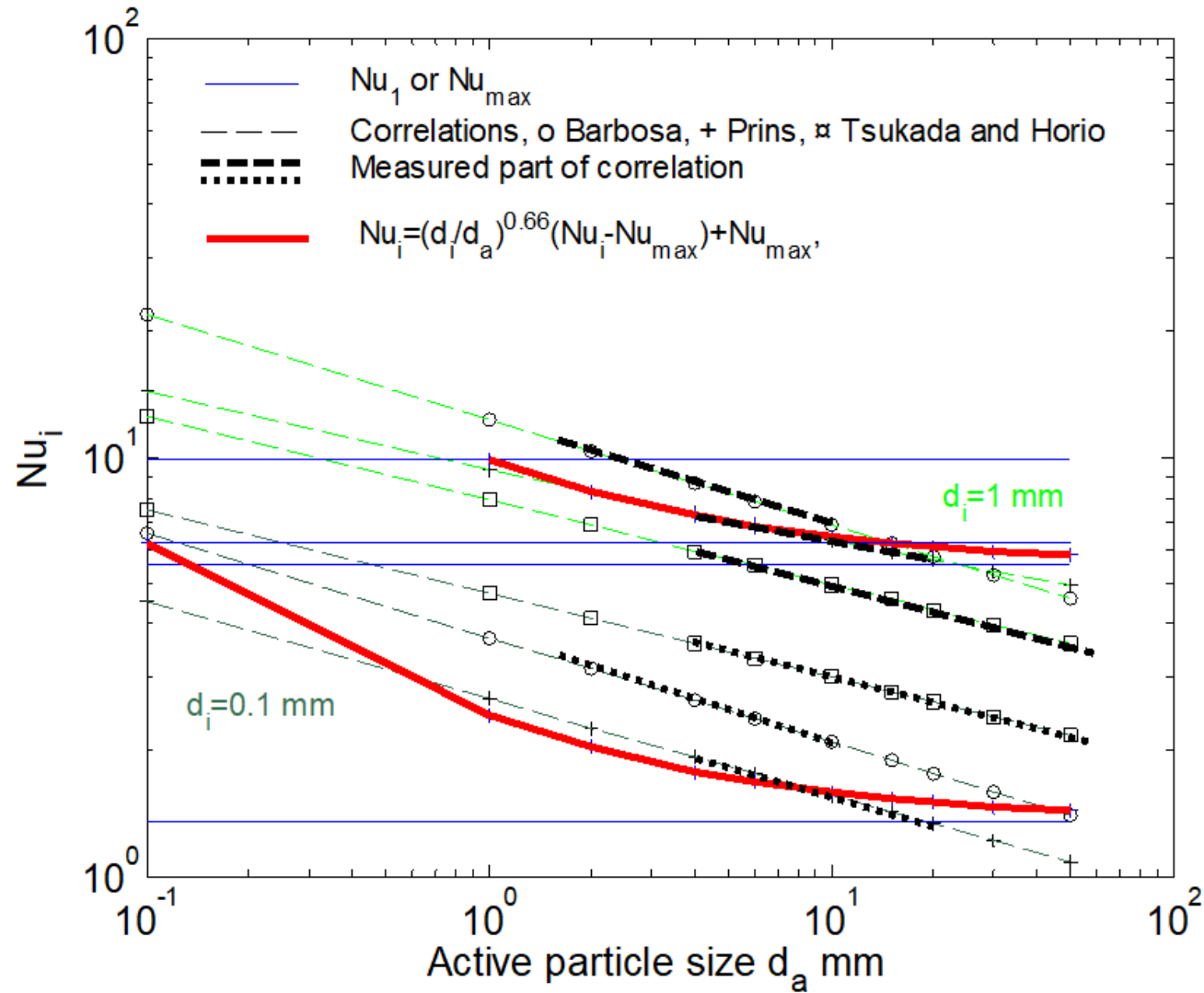
# OVERVIEW OF THE PUBLISHED HEAT TRANSFER DATA





# Fit of heat transfer data

$$Nu_i = Nu_{i,\infty} + (Nu_1 - Nu_{i,\infty})(d_i / d_a)^{0.66}$$



# SELECTED MASS TRANSFER CORRELATIONS

Scala 2007

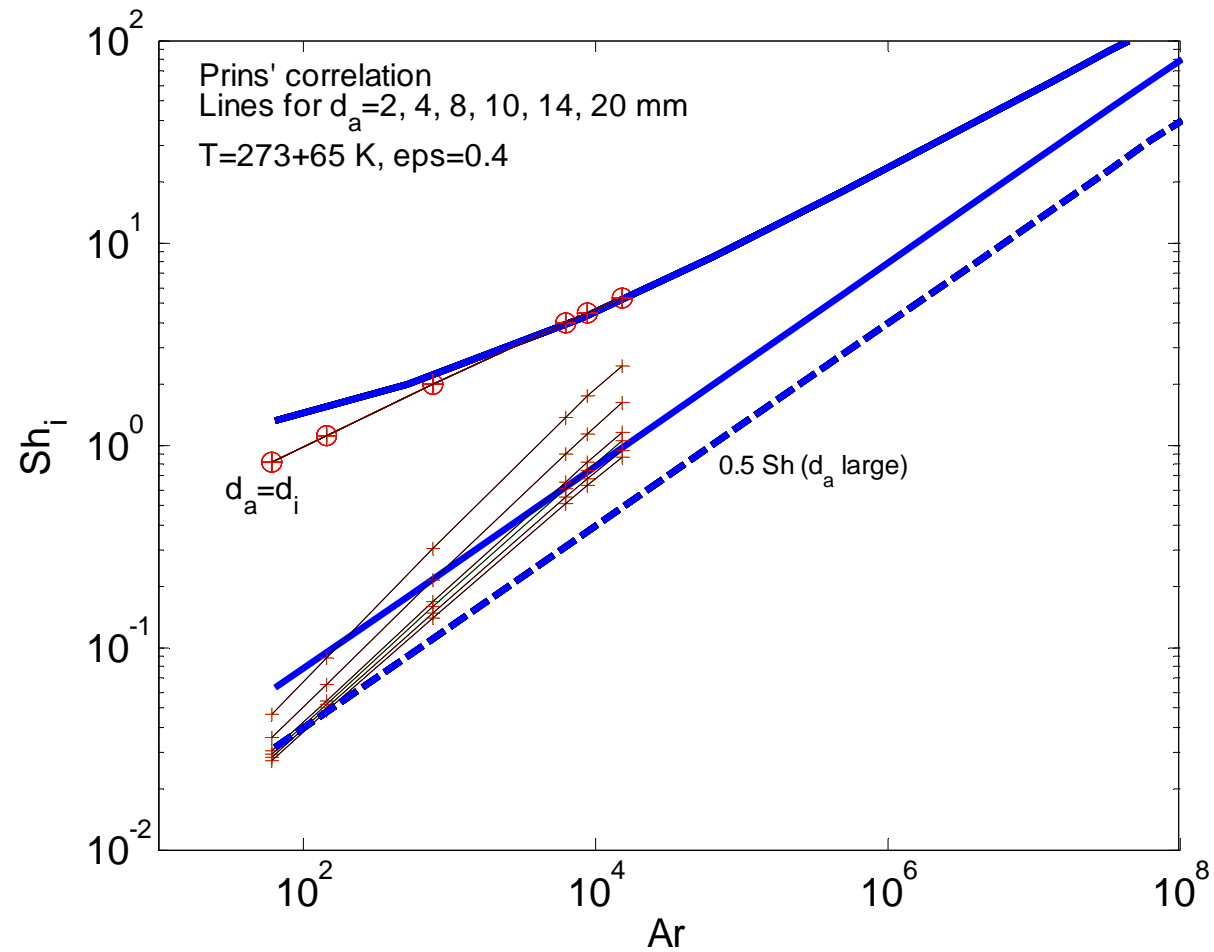
Hayhurst and Parmar 2002

Prins 1987

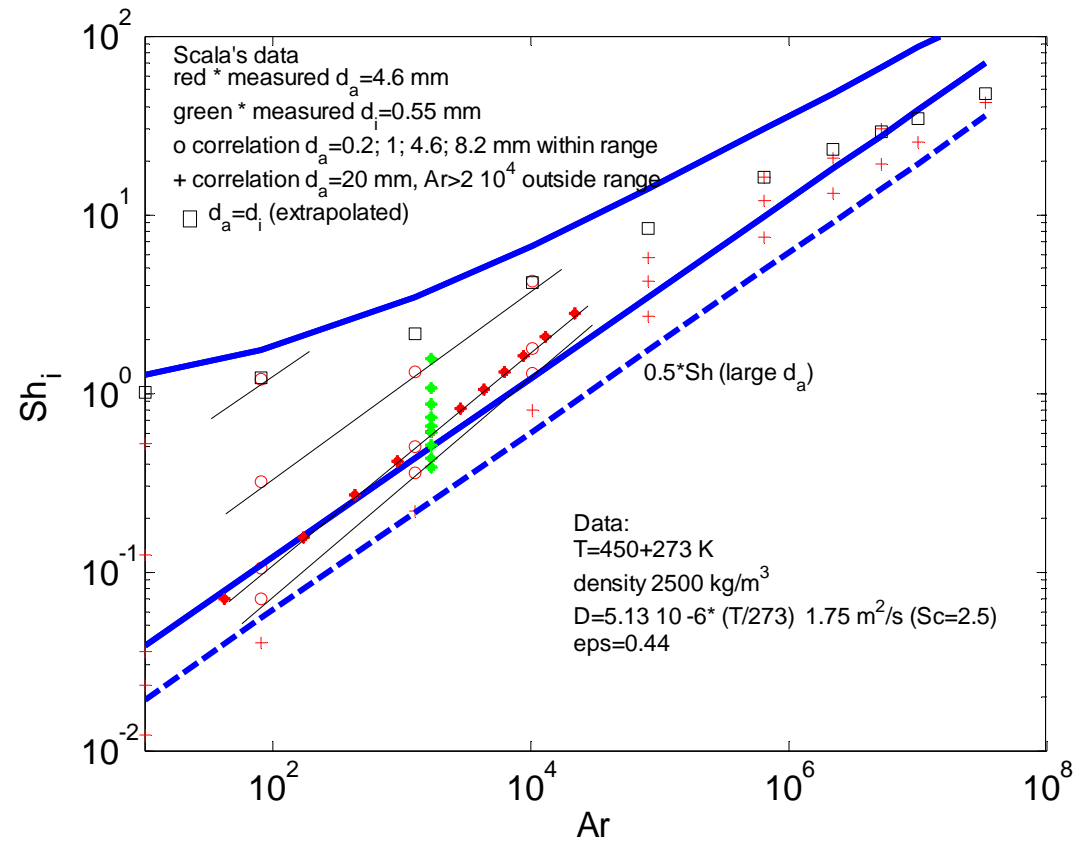
MT: Prins 1987;

$$Sh_i = \left[ \frac{1 - \varepsilon_{mf}}{\varepsilon_{mf}} \right]^m \left[ \frac{Re_{mf,i}}{\varepsilon_{mf}} \right]^{1-m} Sc^{0.33} (0.105 + 1.505(d_i / d_a)^{1.05})$$

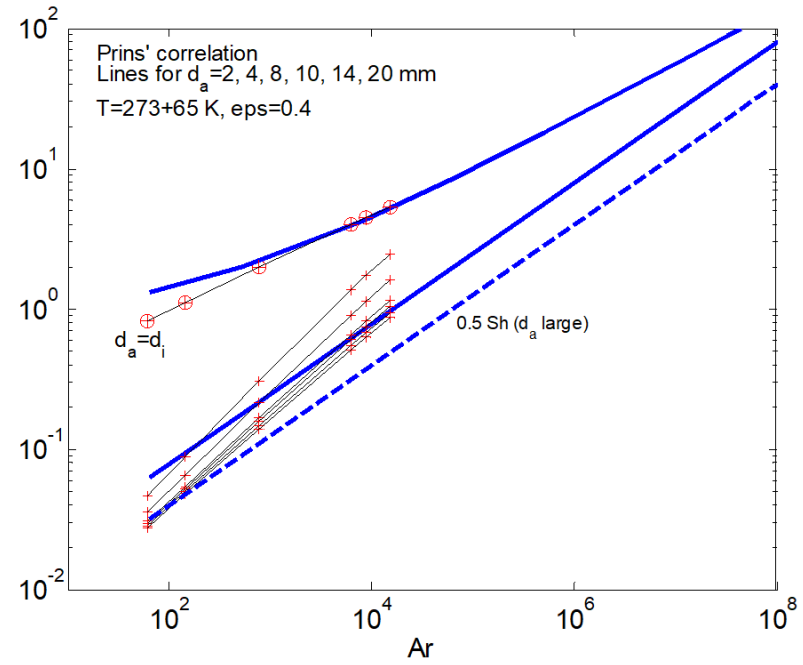
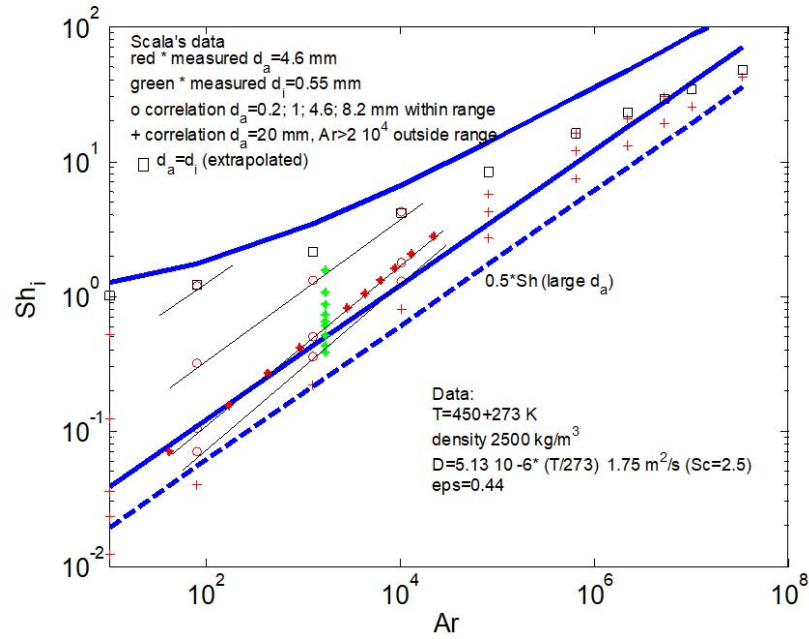
$$m = 0.35 + 0.29(d_i / d_a)^{0.5} \quad \text{and} \quad Re_{mf,i} = u_{mf} d_i / \nu$$



MT: Scala, 2007; 
$$Sh_a = 2.0\varepsilon_{mf} + 0.7 \left( \frac{Re_{mf,a}}{\varepsilon_{mf}} \right)^{0.5} Sc^{0.3}$$

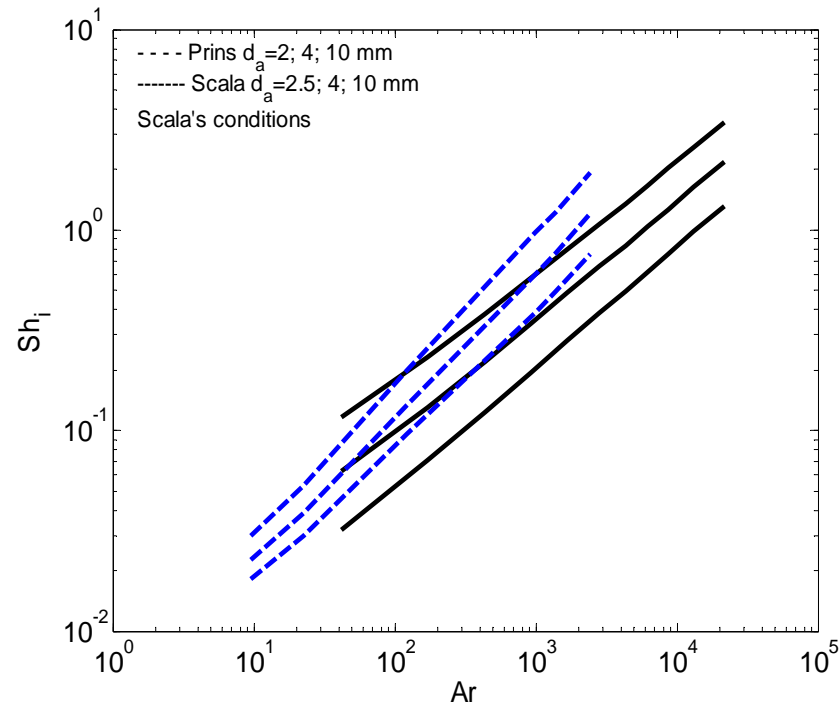


# OVERVIEW OF THE MASS TRANSFER CORRELATIONS

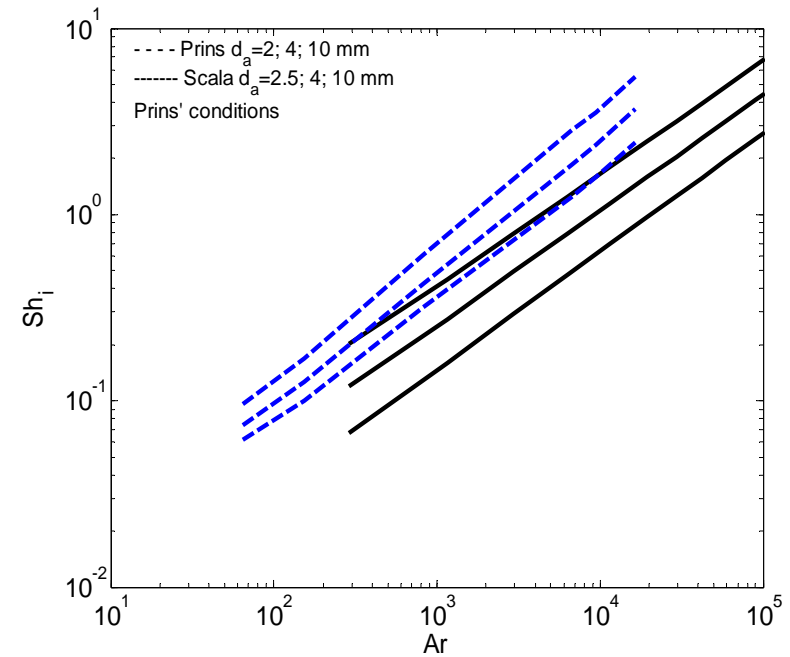


# COMPARISON PRINS-SCALA

Scala's conditions in both correlations



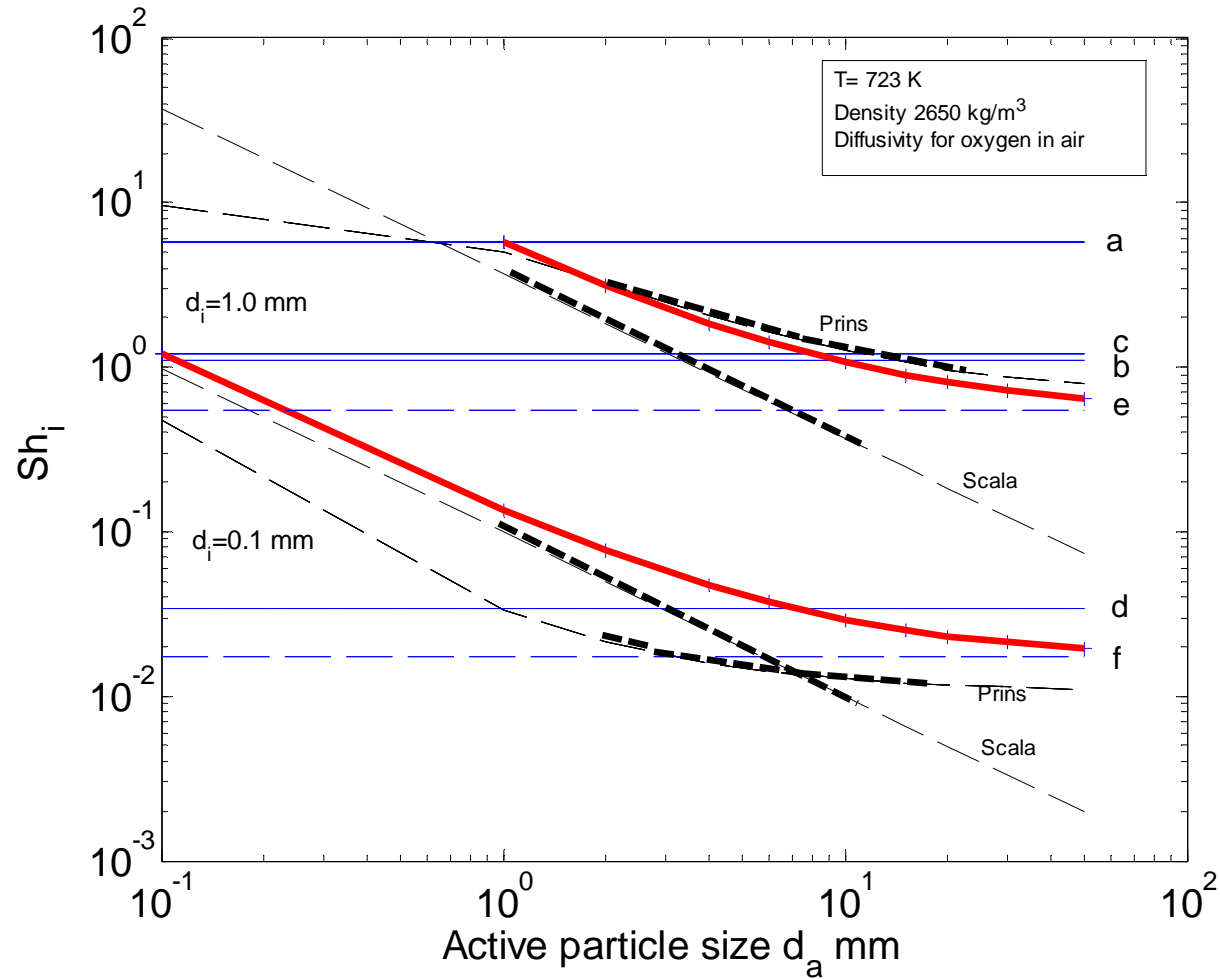
Prins' conditions in both correlations



Quantity	Scala	Prins
Temperature, K	723	338
Bed particle density, kg/m <sup>3</sup>	2500	2750
Voidage, -	0.44	0.40
Diffusivity, m <sup>2</sup> /s	$9.4 \cdot 10^{-10} T^{1.75}$	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-10} T^{1.75}$
Sc	0.7	2.6

# Fit of mass transfer data

$$Sh_i = Sh_{i,\infty} + (Sh_1 - Sh_{i,\infty})(d_i / d_a)^{1.0}$$



# CONCLUSIONS

The agreement between available correlations on heat and mass transfer to active particles in fluidized beds is not extremely high.

However, the data in the measured ranges are at least within the limits of the Baskakov-Palchonok approach.

Therefore, an estimate of coefficients is obtained by

$$Nu_i = Nu_{i,\infty} + (Nu_1 - Nu_{i,\infty})(d_i / d_a)^{0.66}$$

$$Sh_i = Sh_{i,\infty} + (Sh_1 - Sh_{i,\infty})(d_i / d_a)^{1.0}$$

A seemingly more accurate estimation would be given by the correlation of choice, applied within its measured range.

It was shown that most correlations (exception Prins' for mass transfer) give erroneous values when extrapolated to large active particles.

Also, despite the dimensionless representation, the correlations depend on the properties of the media, e.g. the Schmidt number in the case of mass transfer.



# Appendix: HEAT TRANSFER TO AN ACTIVE PARTICLE (a) IN A BED OF INERT PARTICLES (i): Model-free correlations

Some available correlations:

Tamarin et al. (1982) 
$$Nu_i = 5Ar^{0.207} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{0.65}$$

Tamarin et al. (1985) 
$$Nu_{i,\max} = 0.41Ar^{-0.3} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{-0.2} \left(\frac{\rho_a}{\rho_i}\right)^{0.07} \phi^{0.66}$$

Shah (1983) 
$$Nu_{\max} = 7.6Re_{opt}^{0.158} \left(\frac{c_{pa}}{c_{pi}}\right)^{0.18} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{0.805} \quad \text{for } Re_{opt} < 170$$

$$Nu_{\max} = 0.463Re_{opt}^{0.695} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{0.805} \quad \text{for } Re_{opt} > 170$$

Cobbinah et al. (1984) 
$$Nu_{a,\max} = 3.254Ar^{0.104} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{0.464}$$

Prins (1985) 
$$Nu_{i,\max} = 3.539Ar^n \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{-0.257} \quad \text{where } n = 0.105\left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{0.062}$$

Barbosa et al. (1993) 
$$Nu_{\max} = 0.61Ar^{0.14} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{-0.15} \left(\frac{c_{p,i}\rho_i}{c_{p,g}\rho_g}\right)^{0.17}$$

Scott et al. (2004), Collier et al. (2004) (Cambridge) 
$$Nu_a = 2 + 1.0Re_{mf,a}^{0.6} \left(\frac{d_a}{d_i}\right)^{0.26}$$

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