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# Non-steady Characteristics of Dispersion and Ignitability for High- Pressurized Hydrogen Jet discharged from a Pinhole

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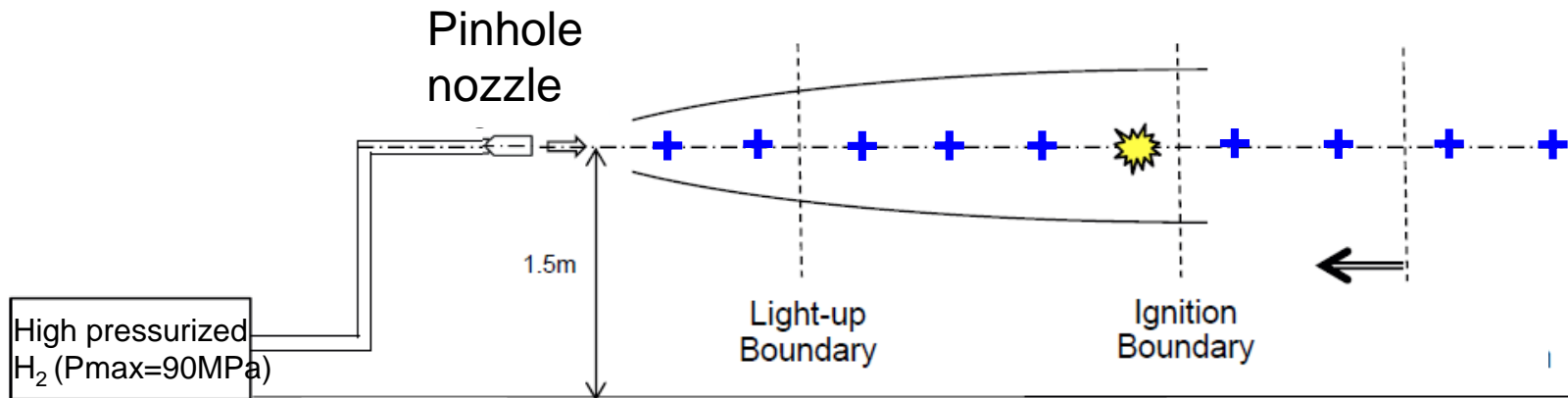
- In Japan, the government and the industry group are promoting the introduction of hydrogen stations for FCV's in urban areas
- The relaxation of “**1/4 LFL distance**” as the regulation for safety of Japan is necessary

“A distance between the dispenser of the hydrogen station and public boundary must be kept in more than a 1/4 LFL distance”

- Does the 1/4 LFL distance has any degree of risk or safety margin?
- To investigate the characteristics of dispersion and ignitability on 40 to 82MPa high-pressurized hydrogen jet from a pinhole of 0.2mm diameter
- To discuss the effect of different pressure on the characteristics

## 2. Outline of Experiment Measurement (1/2)

- High pressurized H<sub>2</sub> gas with 40 to 82MPa
- Horizontal spouted into air from a nozzle of 0.2mm diameter
- Ignited by the electric spark.



### (1) Dispersion Experiment

- H<sub>2</sub> Concentration by FID at the sampling rate of 200Hz
- Velocity by PIV

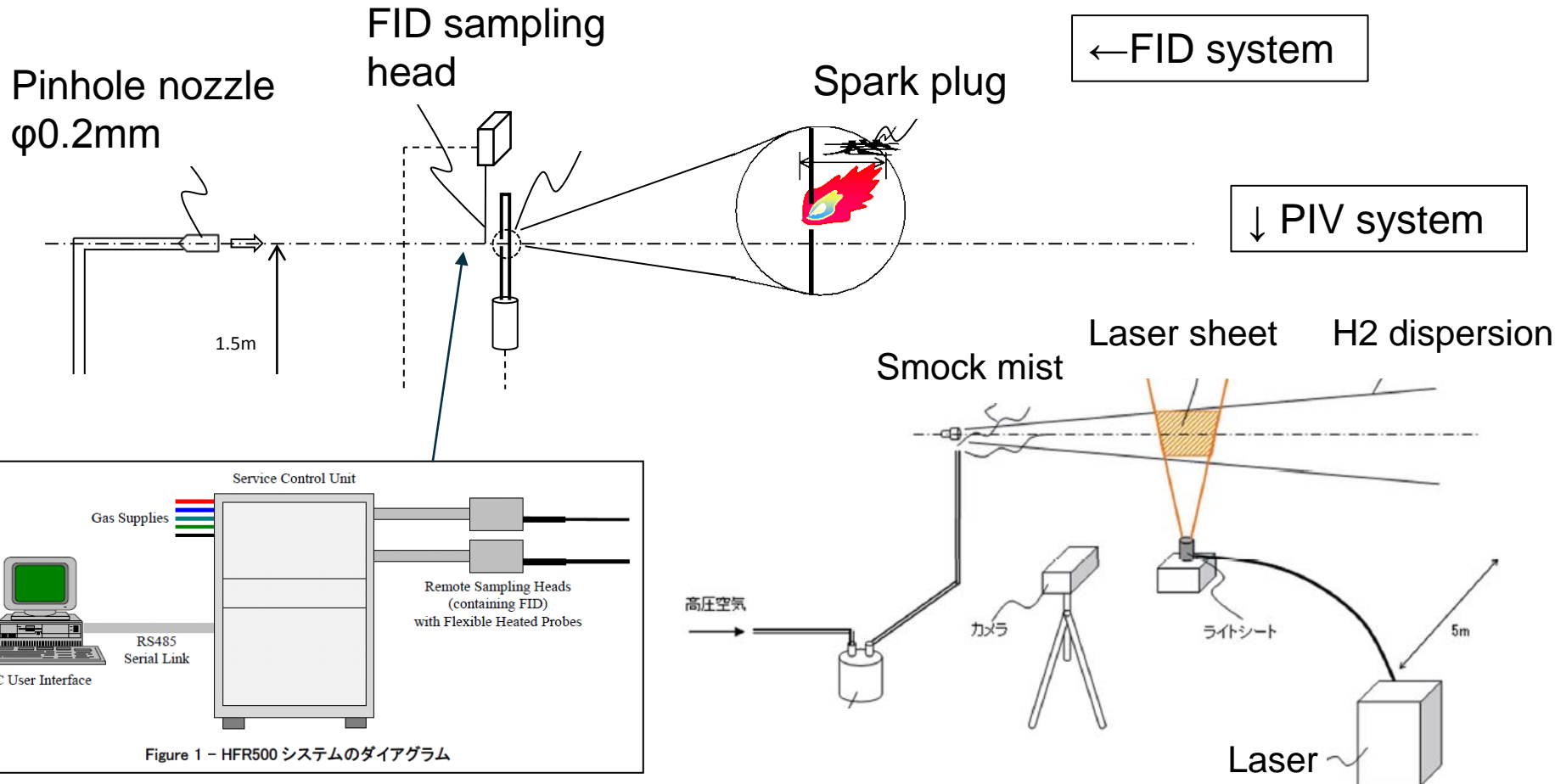
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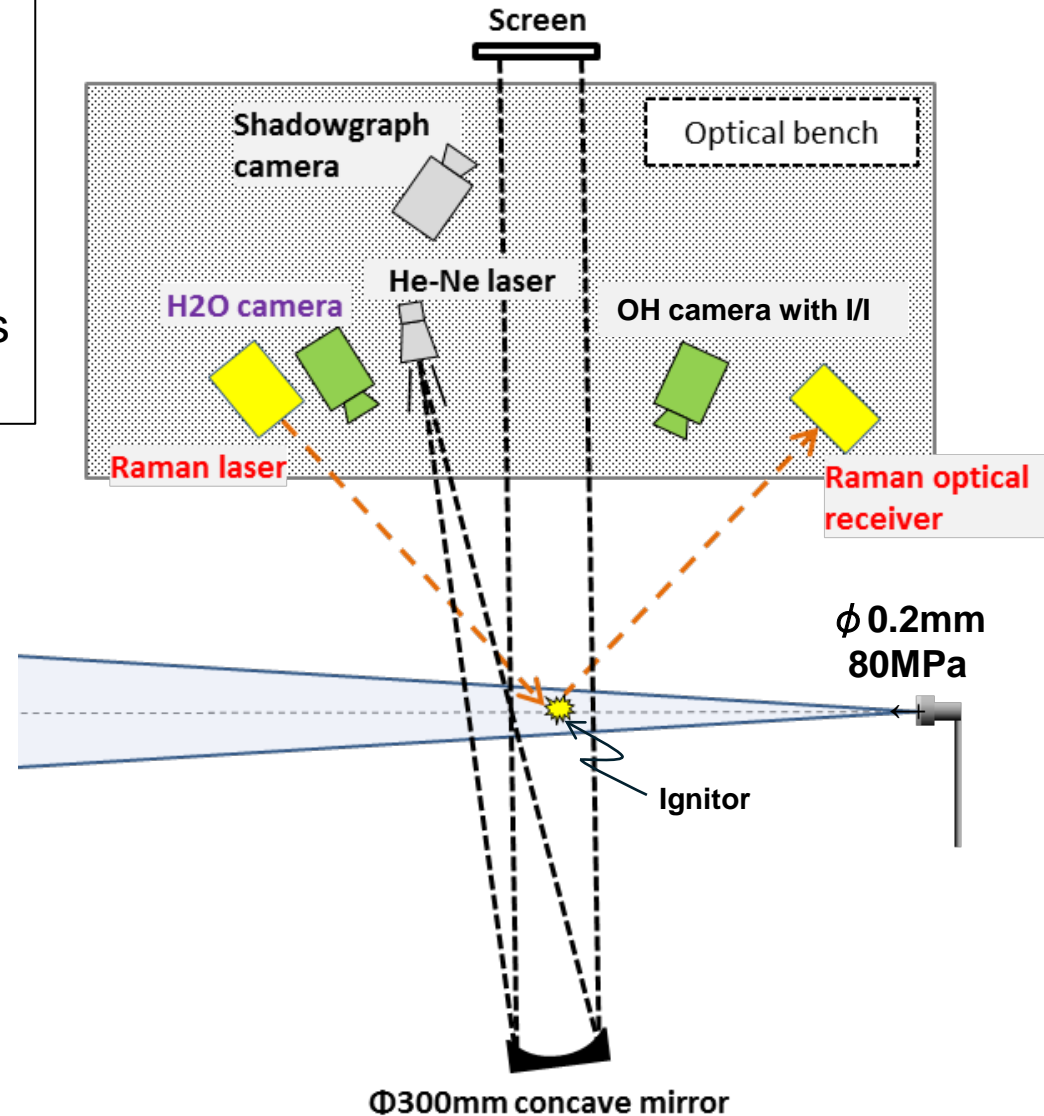


Table 1 List of Experiments

Pressure at Nozzle	82MPa	60MPa	40MPa
(1) Dispersion Experiment	○	○(Not PIV)	○
(2) Ignition Experiment	○	×	○
Place of Experiment	Indoor		Outdoor

Table 2 List of Experimental Data Analysis

	Measurement Data	Analysis from Measurement Data
(1) Dispersion Experiment	H <sub>2</sub> Concentration by FID	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Time-averaged concentration</li> <li>➤ Standard deviation of concentration fluctuation</li> <li>➤ Probability density function of concentration</li> <li>➤ Power spectrum of concentration</li> </ul>
	Velocity by PIV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Time-averaged streamwise velocity</li> <li>➤ Intensity of turbulence</li> </ul>
(2) Ignition Experiment	H <sub>2</sub> Concentration by Raman scattering system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Time-averaged concentration</li> </ul>
	Optical Radiation from OH Radical / H <sub>2</sub> O species	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ignition probability</li> </ul>
	Shadowgraph of Flame	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Visualization of flame structure</li> </ul>

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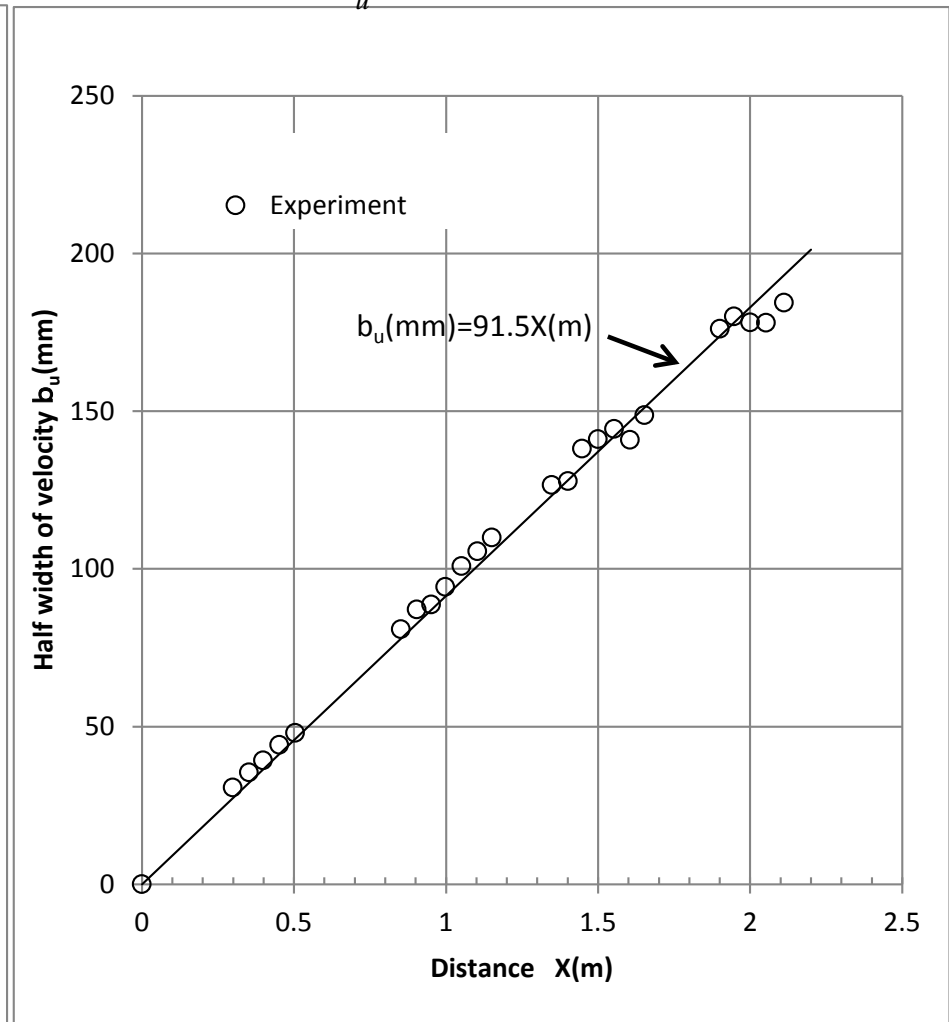
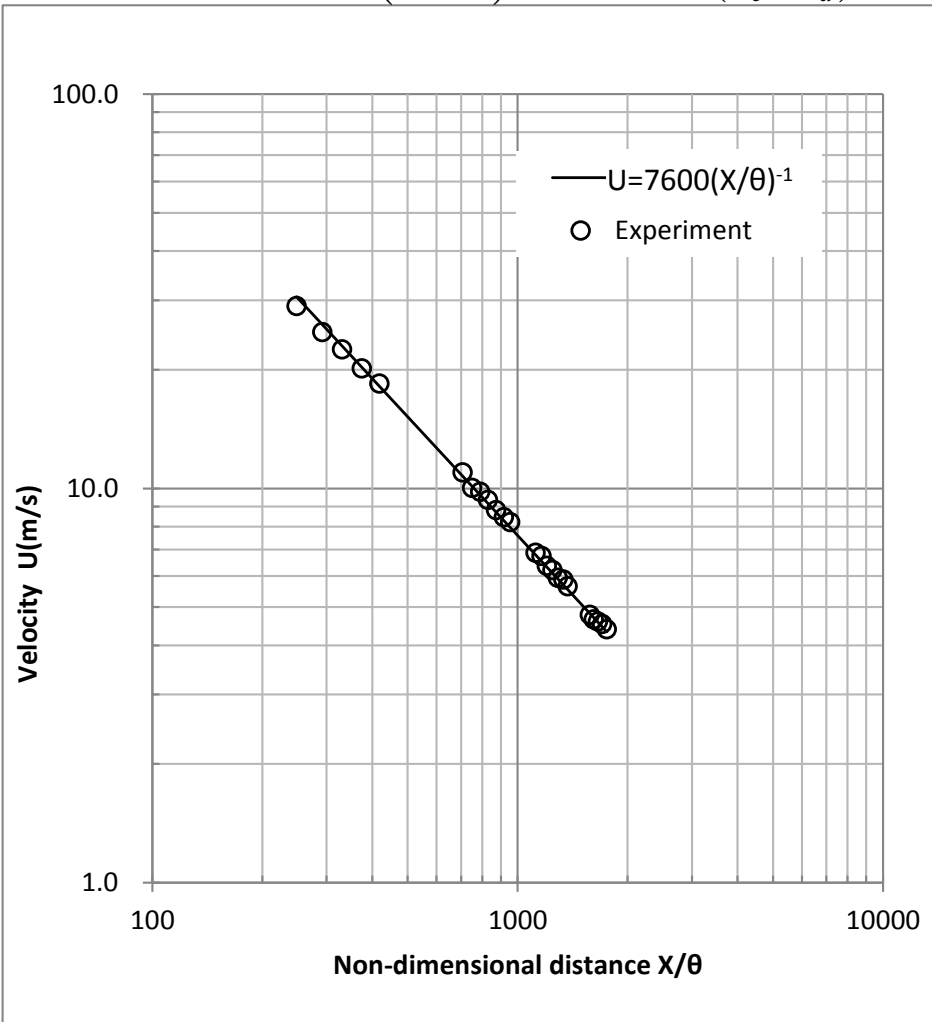
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## Characteristics of Velocity Field of Jet

82MPa

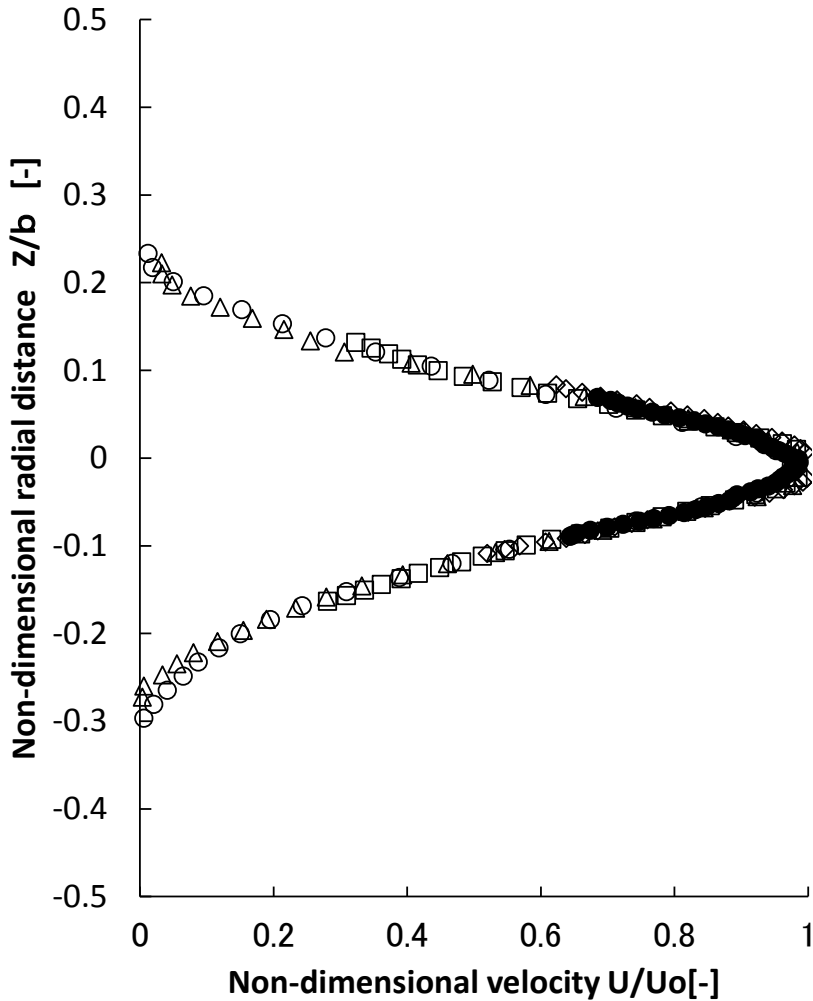
$$U = 7600 / (X / \theta) \quad \theta = D \cdot (\rho_e / \rho_a)^{0.5}$$

$$b_u = 0.091X$$

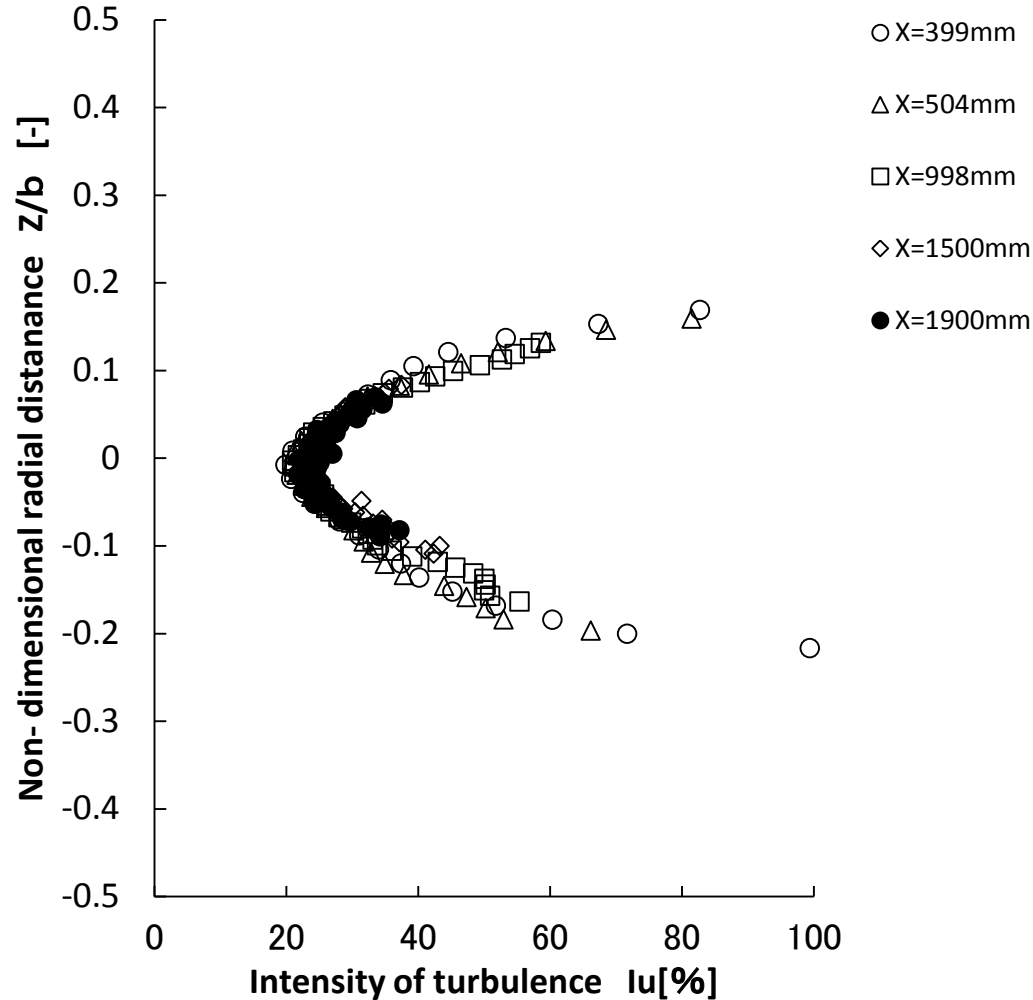


# 3. Results of Dispersion Experiment –velocity

### Radial distributions of velocity and turbulence



$U_0$ : Streamwise velocity on the jet axis

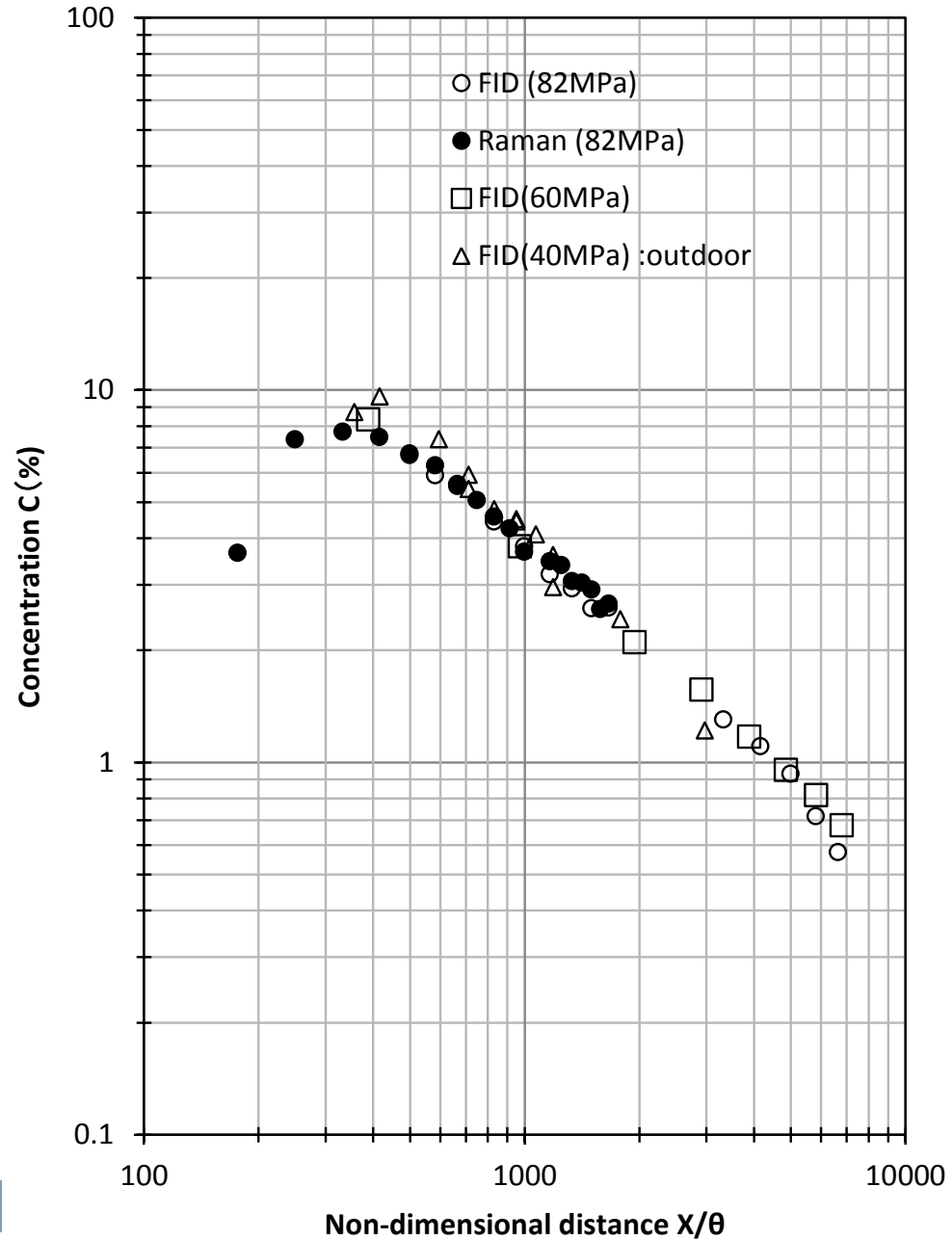


### 3. Results of Dispersion Experiment –concentration

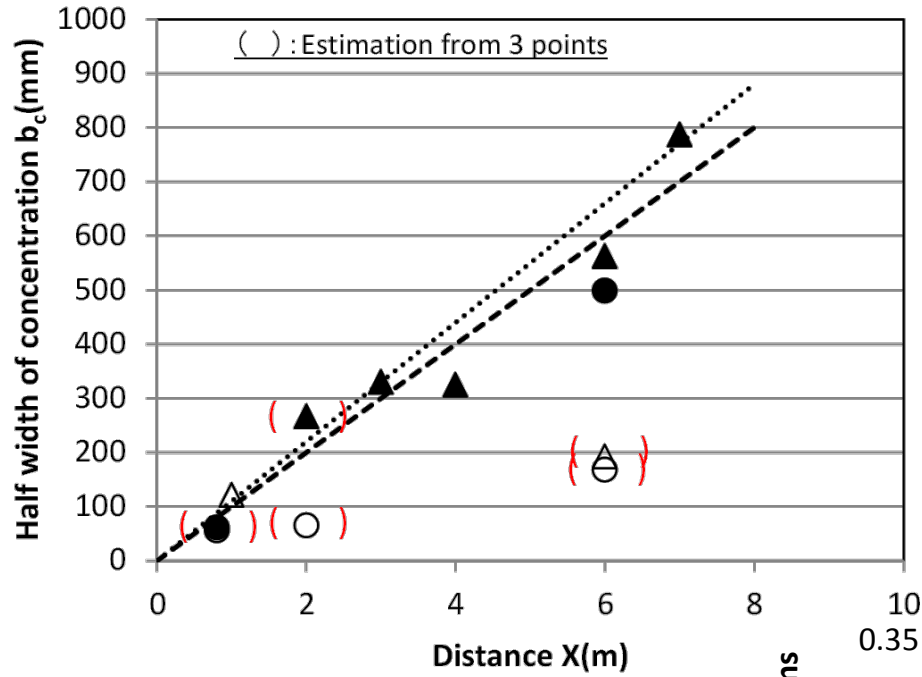
#### Concentration Distribution on Jet Axis

$$C = 4300 \cdot (X / \theta)^{-1}$$

$$\theta = D \cdot (\rho_e / \rho_a)^{0.5}$$



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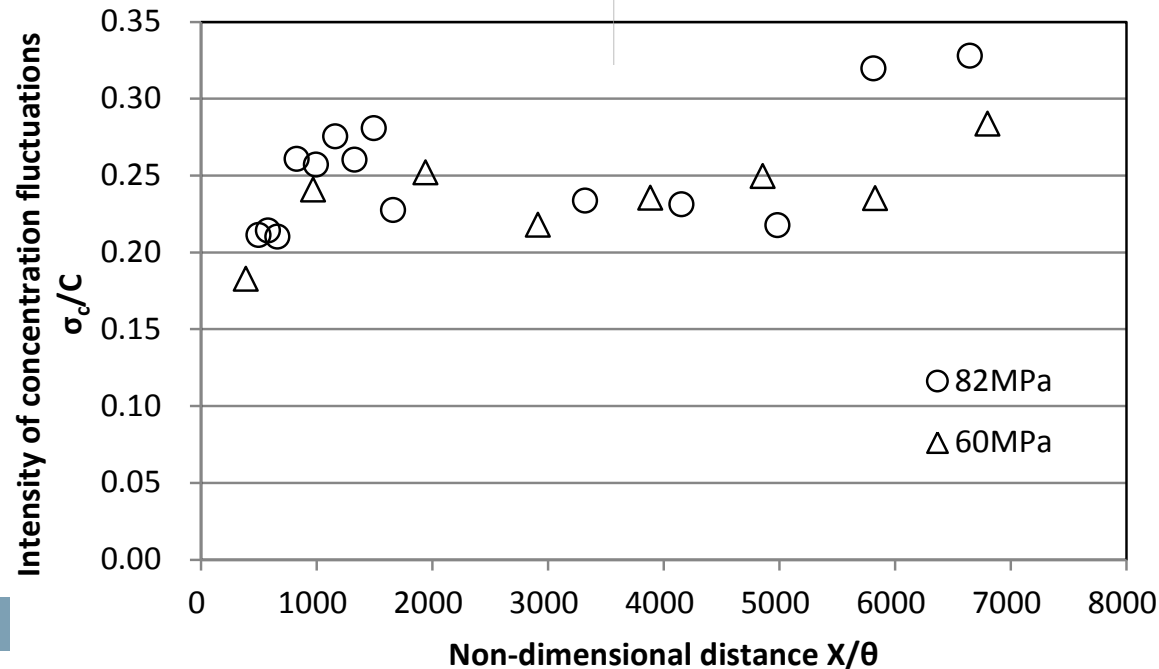


$$b_c = (0.10 \sim 0.11)X$$

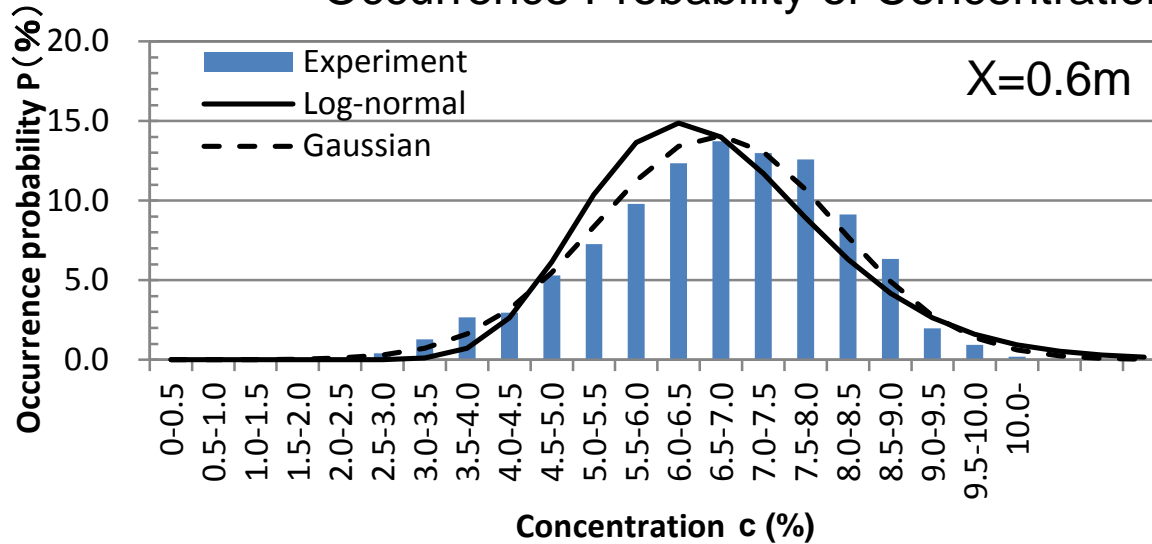
## Characteristics of Concentration Field of Jet

- ▲ z-direction at 60MPa
- z-direction at 82MPa
- △ y-direction at 60MPa
- y-direction at 82MPa
- bc=0.10X
- ..... bc=0.11X

$$\sigma_c / C = 0.20 \sim 0.25$$



## Occurrence Probability of Concentration on Jet Axis

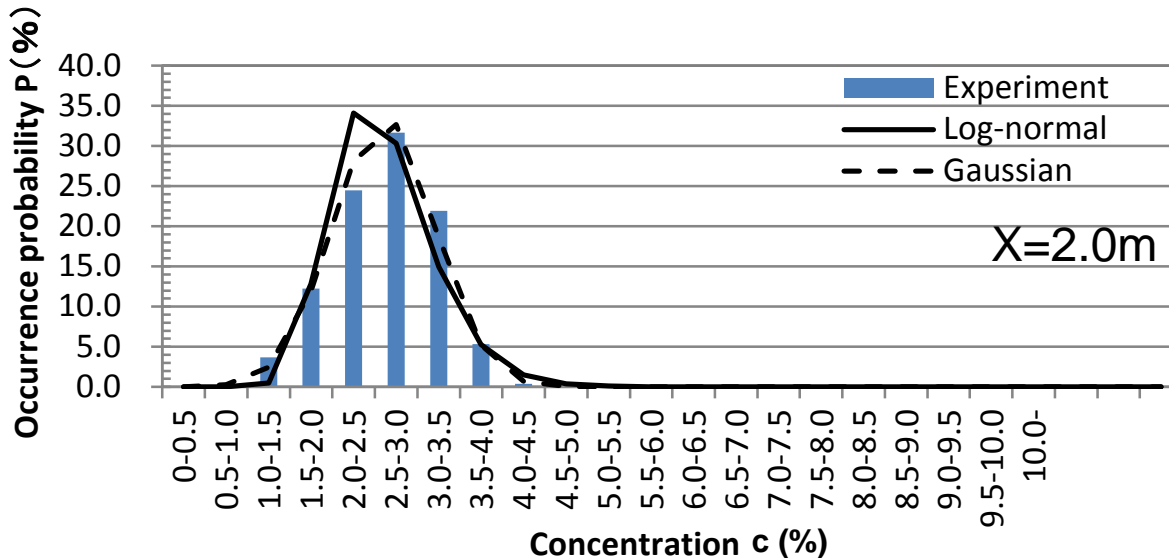


For Log-normal distribution

$$P(c) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma \cdot c} \text{Exp}\left(\frac{(\ln c - m)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\sigma^2 = \ln\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_c}{C}\right)^2 + 1\right)$$

$$m = \ln\left(C / \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma_c}{C}\right)^2}\right)$$



For Gaussian distribution

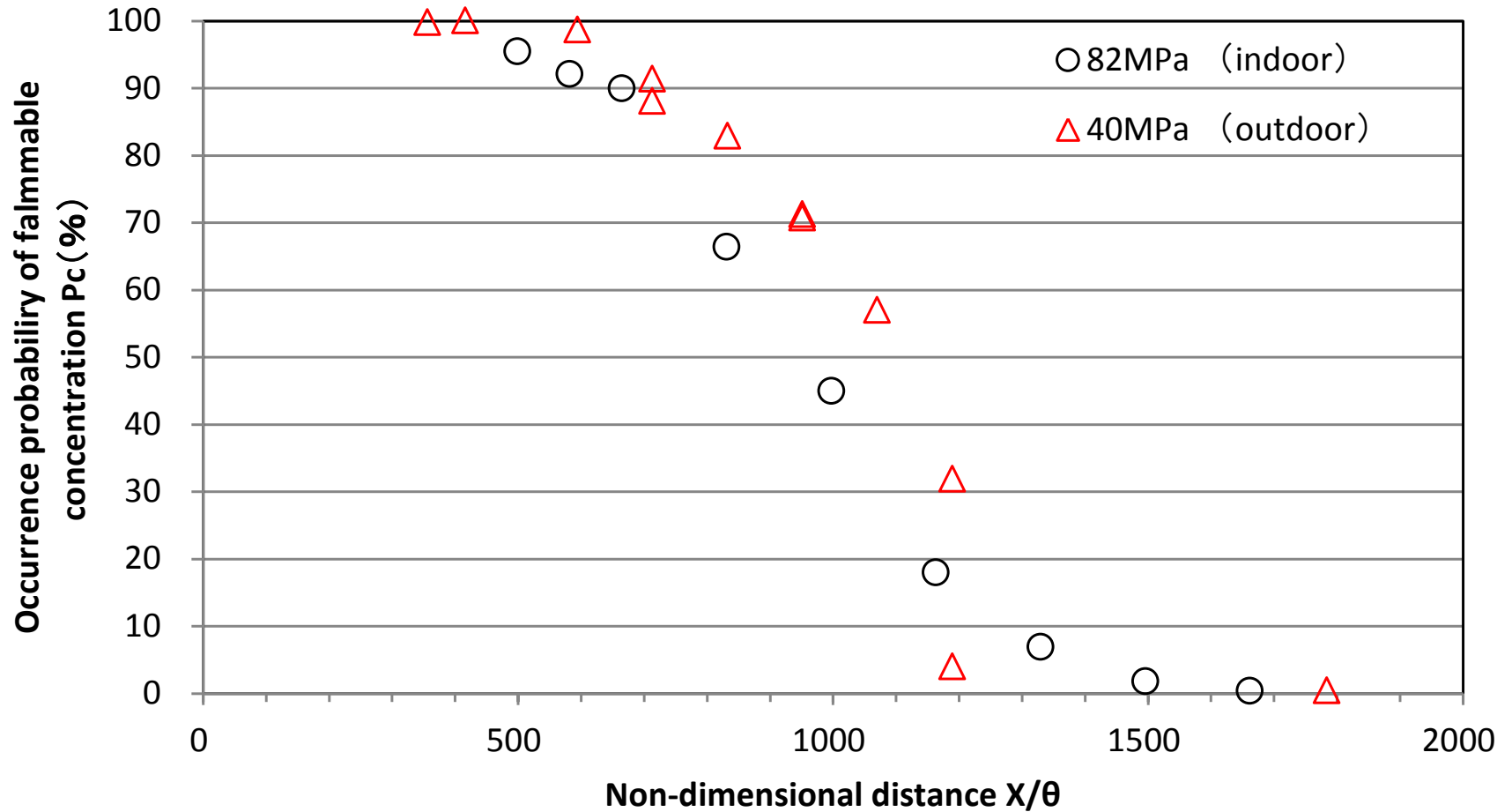
$$P(c) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_c} \text{Exp}\left(\frac{(c - C)^2}{2\sigma_c^2}\right)$$

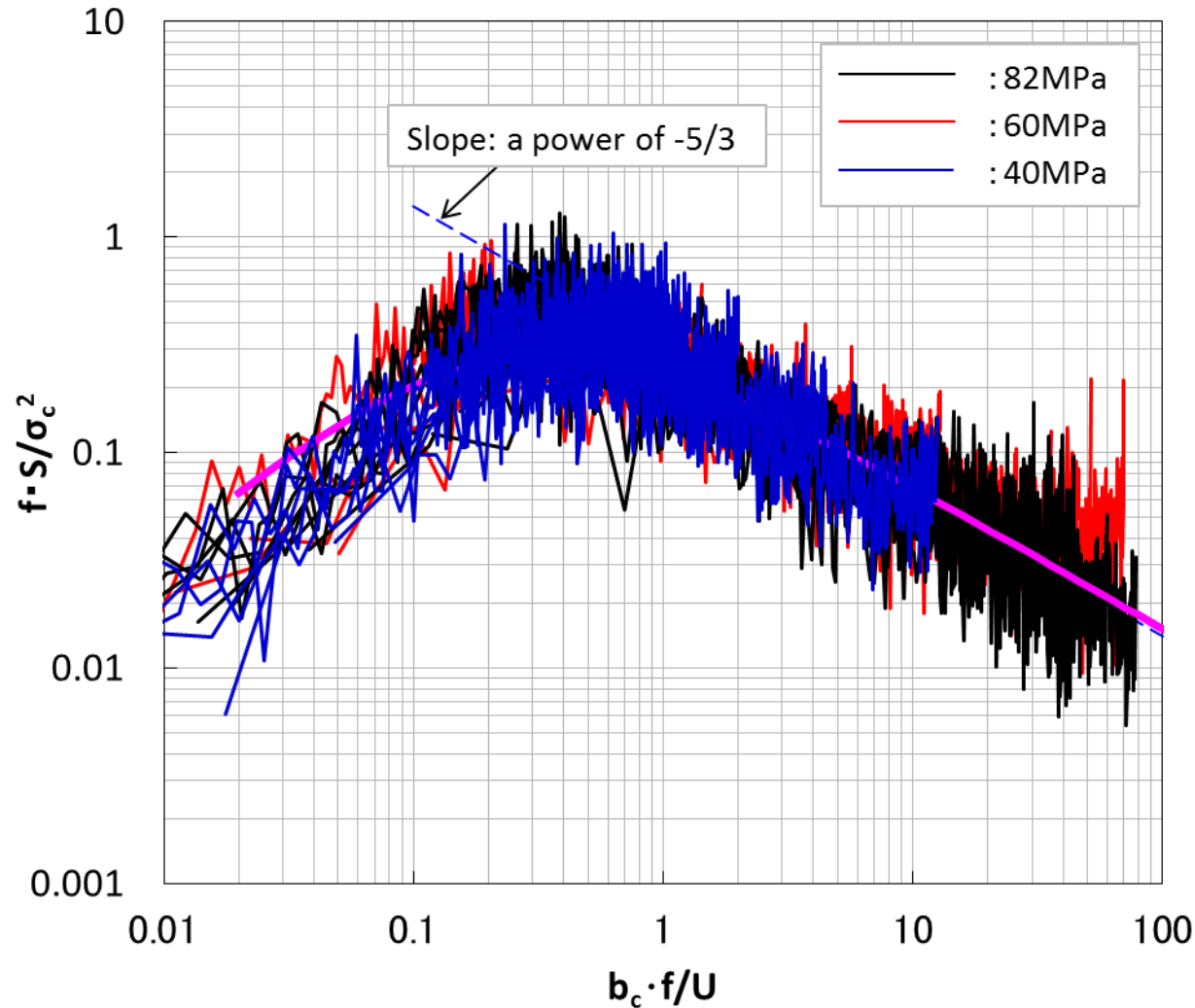
$c$  : Concentration

$C$  : Time-averaged concentration

$\sigma_c$  : Standard deviation of concentration fluctuation

## Occurrence Probability of Flammable Concentration





Non-dimensional expression

$$\bar{S} = \frac{A \cdot \bar{f} / \bar{f}_m}{(1 + 1.5 \cdot \bar{f} / \bar{f}_m)^{5/3}}$$

$$A = 1.3 \quad \bar{f}_m = 0.35$$

$$\bar{S} = f \cdot S / \sigma_c^2$$

$$\bar{f} = f \cdot b_c / U$$

### Notations

S: Power spectrum

f : Frequency

U: Velocity of jet

$b_c$ : Half width

$\sigma_c$ : Standard deviation

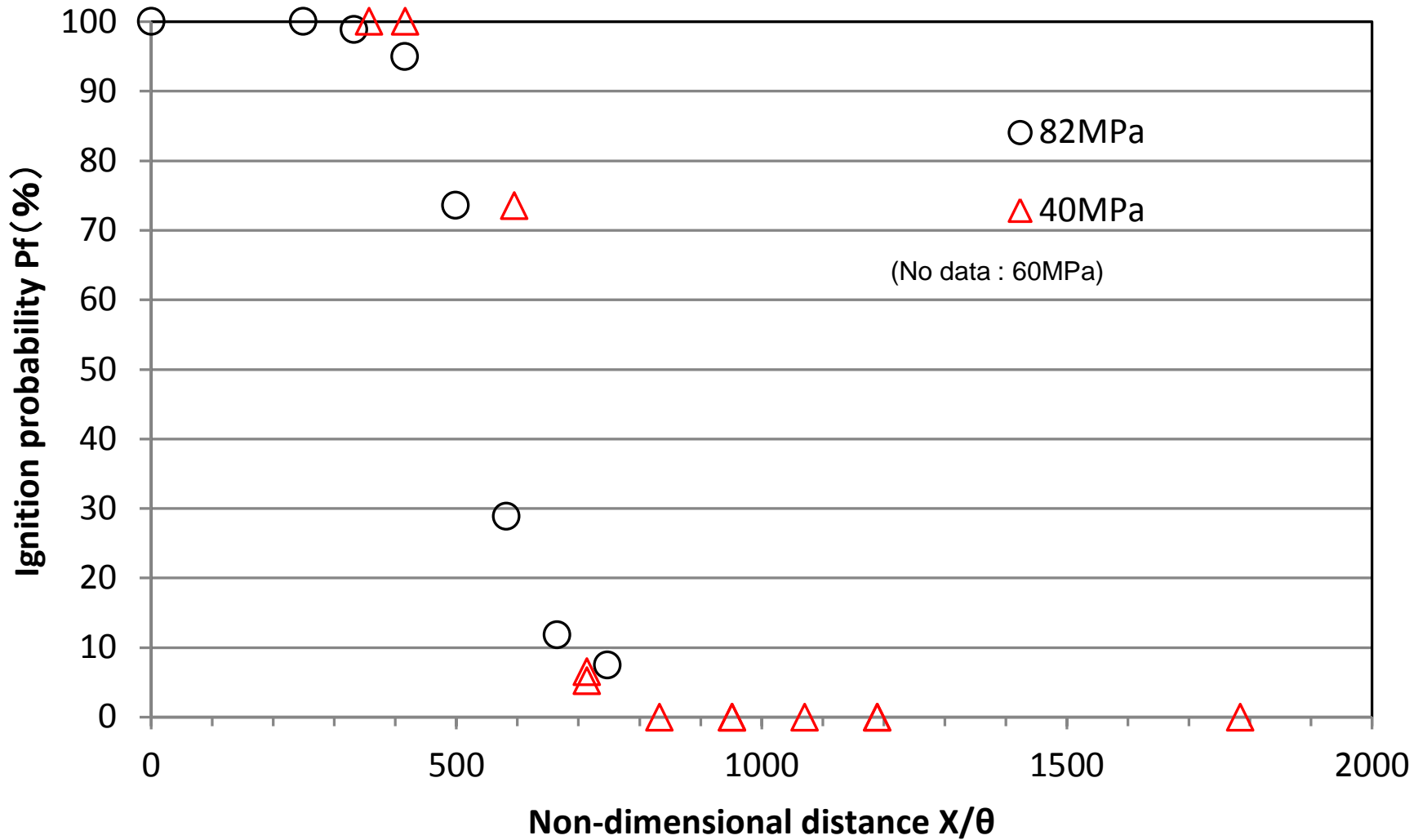
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# Example of Visualization of Hydrogen Combustion

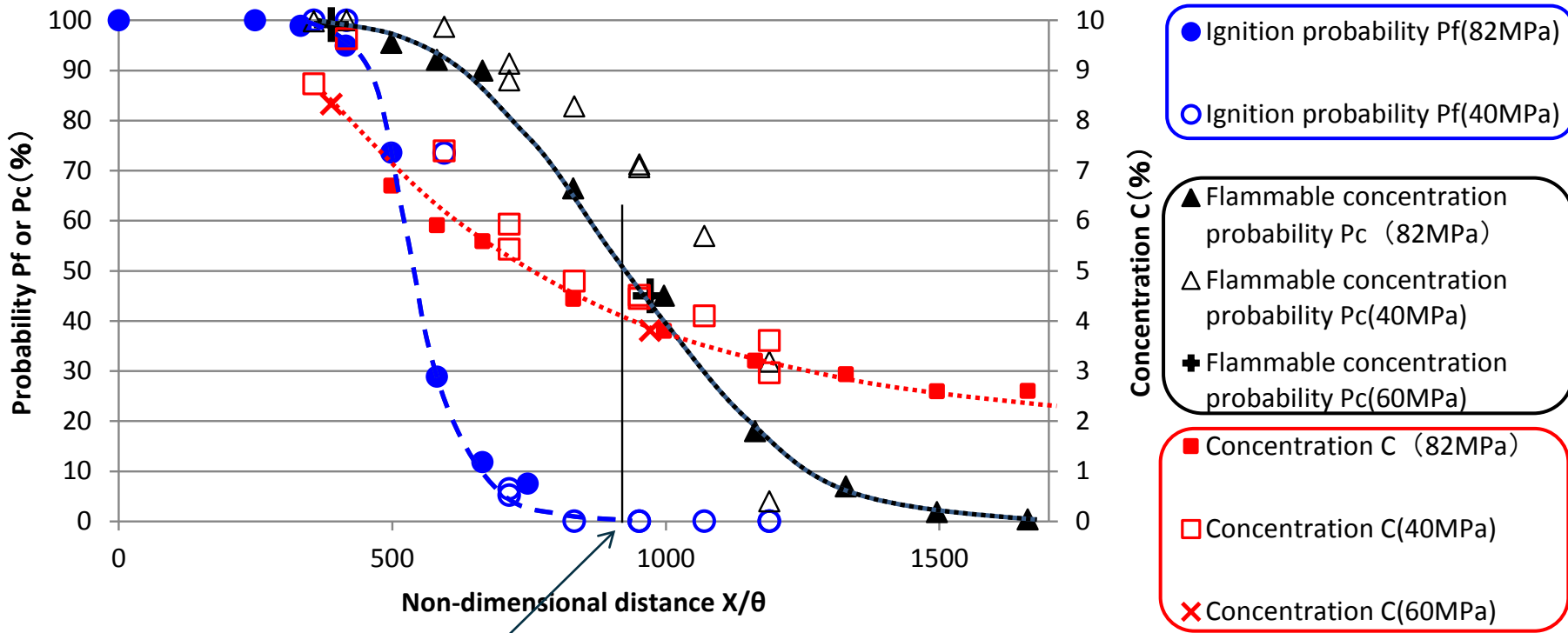
Phase of flame development	Just after ignition	Growth phase of flame	Before flame disappearance
Time from spark (initiation : 0msec)	2msec	10msec	18msec
OH			
H <sub>2</sub> O			
Shadowgraph			

# Ignition Probability on Jet Axis



# Relationship between Ignition and Concentration

Blue : Ignition Probability  
 Black : Flammable concentration Probability  
 Red : Time-averaged Concentration



At ignition boundary  $P_f=0$ ,  
 $X/\theta = 900$   
 $C=4\%$   
 $P_c=40 \text{ to } 50 \%$

- We studied the non-steady behavior of the high-pressurized hydrogen jet with 40 to 82MPa discharged from a pinhole of 0.2mm diameter in detail.
- We discussed about the similarity of flow and dispersion of high-pressurized hydrogen jet to clarify the characteristics of ignitability, normalizing by the representative scales.
- Through the above discussion, it was expected that ignitability could be expressed independent of hydrogen discharged pressure.
- As a result, the boundary at  $P_f=0$  could be obtained from the distance of  $C=4\%$  and  $P_c=40$  to  $50\%$ , using the empirical formula.

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