## Plotting U vs. C<sub>D</sub> using R and RStudio for DLC and VISF

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For the DLC and VISF labs, you will need to plot U against  $C_D$  with  $C_D$  on a probability scale. You can use an R script called **Dispersion.R** to plot your data. You will be supplied with a zip file containing the script, example data files, and these instructions. To run the script you will need access to a PC running R and RStudio. These should already be installed on the computers in LEA 3108. R (https://www.r-project.org/) is a free, open-source statistical programming language; RStudio (https://www.rstudio.com/) is an integrated development environment that makes it easy to use R without prior experience.

## Instructions

- 1. DO NOT EDIT **Dispersion.R**
- 2. Prepare your input data
  - Data to be plotted should be in a comma-separated file called **data.csv**
  - The file should contain two columns headed *U* and *C\_D* 
    - U =your calculated values for U
    - CD = Concentration as % of maximum concentration
  - Save the **data.csv** file in the same directory as **Dispersion.R**. You can edit the file provided in the zip file.
- 3. Prepare your input parameters in a comma separated file called **parameters.csv** 
  - See the example below for the format
  - The only columns that are required by the script are *Parameter* and *Value* but the other columns are a useful reminder for when you look at the data later.
  - Replace *V\_p*, *tStar* and L with your measured/calculated values
  - Leave *lo\_x*, *hi\_x*, *lo\_y* and *hi\_y* at their default values for now. We will edit them to adjust the plot later.
  - Save the **parameters.csv** file in the same directory as **Dispersion.R**. You can edit the file provided in the zip file.

Parameter	Description	Value Units
V_p	Pore volume	10.9 mL
tStar	Time for one $V_p$	3300 s
L	Core Length	30.48 cm
lo_x	Lowest value of linear C_D	0.1
hi_x	Highest value of linear C_D	0.95
lo_y	Lowest U to plot	$-4 \text{ cm}^{3/2}$
hi_y	Highest U to plot	4 cm ^{3/2}

- 4. Make sure the two input files are in the same folder as the R script
- 5. Double click on the **Dispersion.R** script. It should open in **RStudio**
- 6. Once the file is open in RStudio, execute **Dispersion.R** by clicking on the *Source* button at the top right of the script window (Figure 1) and examine the two output plots that will be saved in

the same folder as the script (Figure 2 & Figure 3). There might be a short delay the first time the script is executed as it installs some R packages.

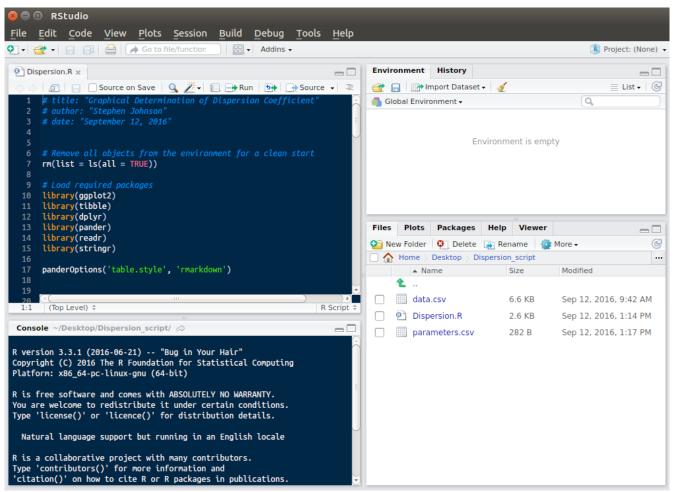


Figure 1: RStudio window with script in upper left pane. Click on Source to run the script. Note the **data.csv** and **parameters.csv** files in the same folder as the script.

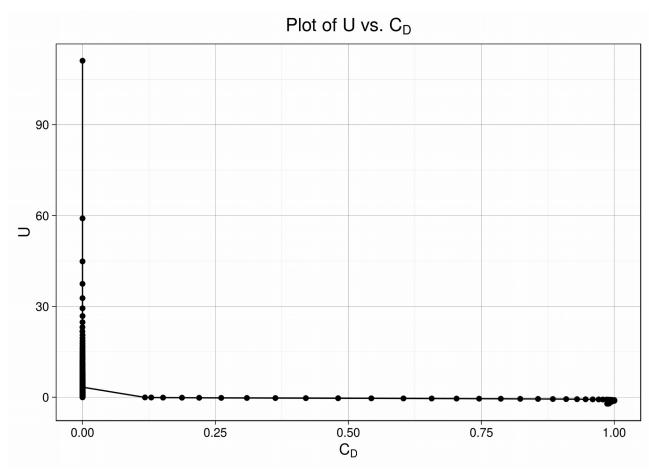
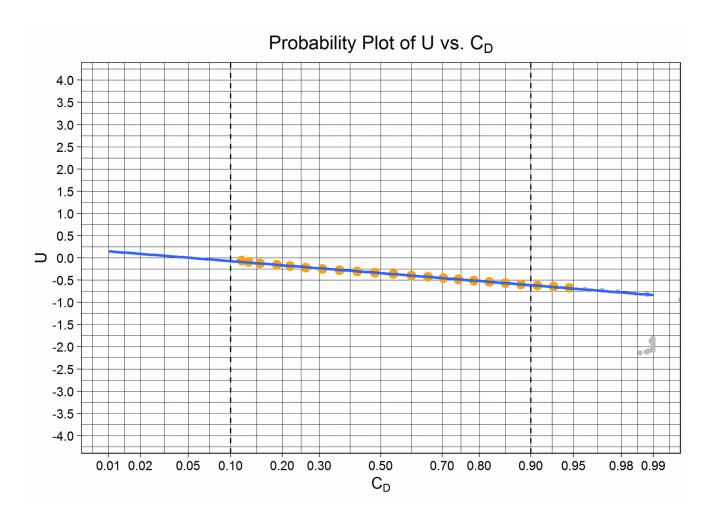


Figure 2: Overall view of the data with U plotted against  $C_D$  on a linear scale.



*Figure 3: Probability plot of U vs. C\_D with default ranges of x and y.* 

- 7. From looking at the linear plot, decide on a suitable range for the y-axis on the probability plot
  - 1. Edit *lo\_y* and *hi\_y* in **parameters.csv**
  - 2. Save **parameters.csv** and run the script again to regenerate the plots
  - 3. Repeat until you are happy with the range of U values plotted (Figure 4)

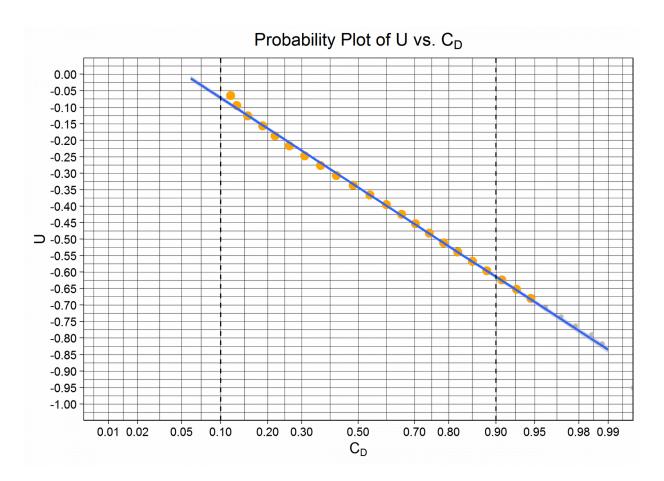


Figure 4: Probability plot of U vs. C\_D with range of y-axis adjusted to encompass the linear data by editing lo\_y and hi\_y.

- 8. From the probability plot, decide on the range of x-values that encompass the linear portion of the curve
  - 1. Note that the x-axis is transformed to probability from 0-1 instead of 0-100%
  - 2. Typically the data will be more-or-less linear from some point to about  $C_D = 0.95$
  - 3. Edit *lo\_x* and *hi\_x* in **parameters.csv,** save and run the script again
  - 4. Repeat until you are happy with the probability plot (Figure 5)

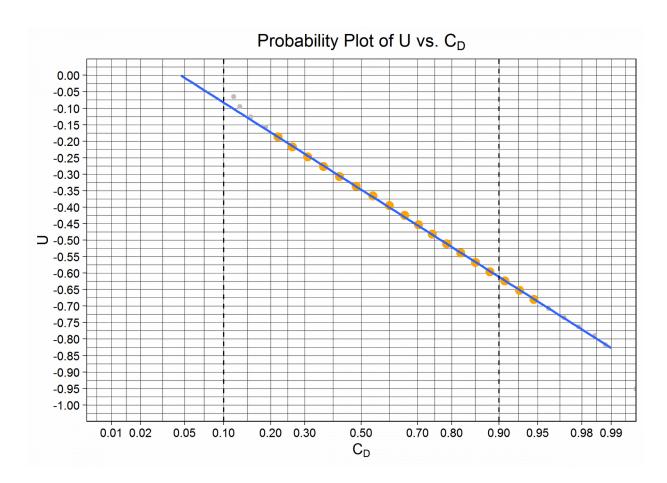


Figure 5: Probability plot of U vs.  $C_D$  with range of data used to generate the linear regression line adjusted by editing  $lo_x$  and  $hi_x$ .

9. In this example the final values in **parameters.csv** are below (bold values were changed from the defaults):

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V_p	Pore volume	10.9 mL
tStar	Time for one V_p	3300 s
L	Core Length	30.48 cm
lo_x	Lowest value of linear C_D	<b>0.2</b> cm
hi_x	Highest value of linear C_D	0.95 cm
lo_y	Lowest U to plot	<b>-1</b> cm^{3/2}
hi_y	Highest U to plot	<b>0</b> cm ^{3/2}

- 10. Save your plot and use it to read off the values of  $U_{10}$  (i.e. the U value at  $C_D$  = 0.10) and  $U_{90}$  (i.e.  $C_D$  = 0.90)
- 11. Use the values of  $U_{10}$ ,  $U_{90}$ ,  $V_p$ , tStar and L to calculate the dispersion coefficient as described in the laboratory procedure