

# A Process-based Tide-induced Sediment Transport Capacity Formula

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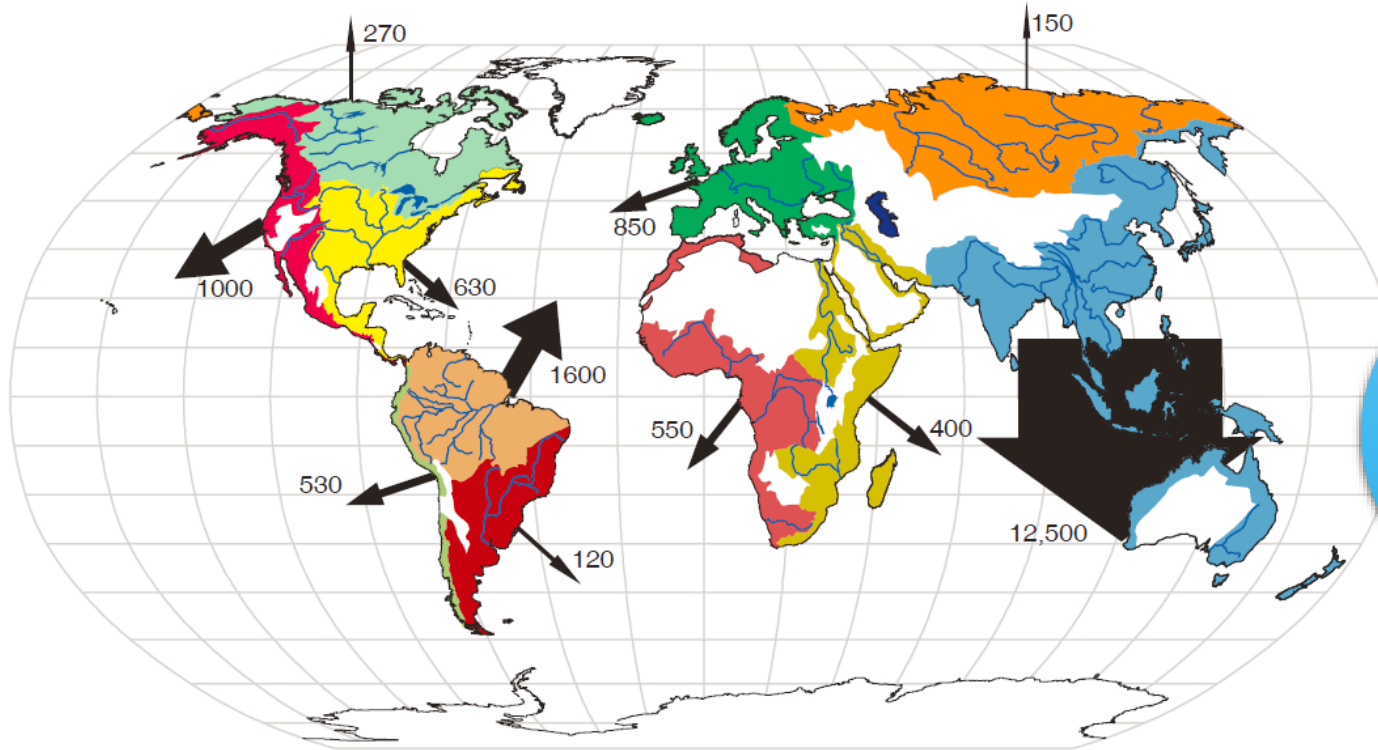
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# A crucial source-to-sink process



Milliman and Farnsworth, 2011

Total = 19 000 \* 10<sup>6</sup> t/yr

Figure 2.29. Annual discharge of fluvial sediment to the global coastal ocean.



Mountains...

Coastal ocean, deep sea...

Transport capacity

$$S_* = \bar{c}_z = \frac{1}{h} \int_{z_a}^h c(z) dz$$

# Blackbox: Semi-empirical, semi-theoretical

$$S_* = \alpha \frac{\gamma \gamma_s}{\gamma_s - \gamma} \frac{U^3}{C^2 h w_s} \longrightarrow S_* = k_1 \frac{U^3}{g h w_s}$$

(Dou, 1995)

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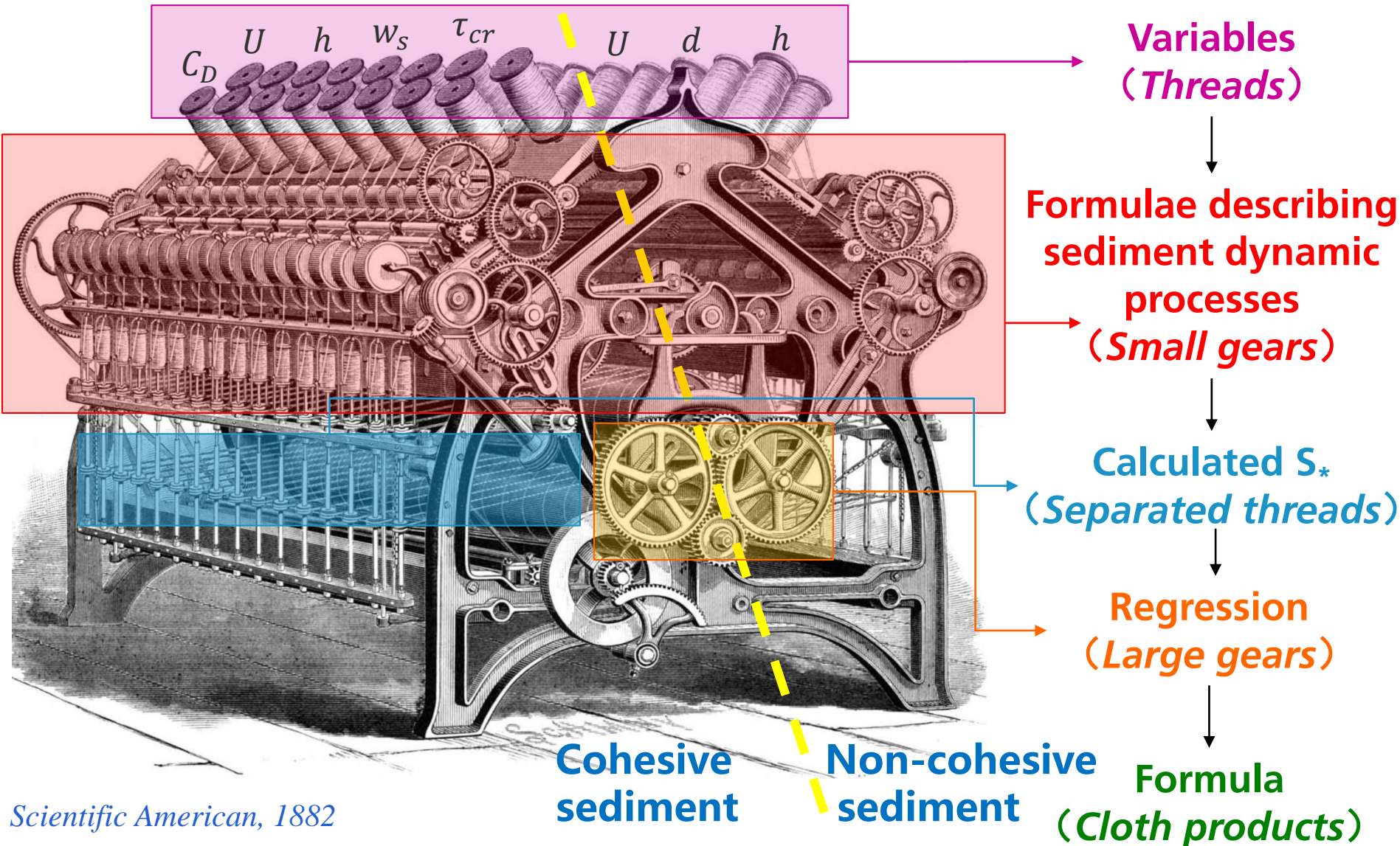
(Li, 1988)

***How to open???***



*Energy conservation;  
Dimensional analysis*

# Spinning machine x Sediment dynamics



# || Spinning machine: Basic assumptions

- Steady-uniform flow:  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$
- Logarithmic horizontal velocity profile:  $u = \frac{u_*}{\kappa} \ln\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)$
- Rouse (1937) profile of SSC: 
$$\begin{cases} c_z = c_a \left( \frac{z}{z_a} \frac{h-z_a}{h-z} \right)^{-b} \\ b = \frac{w_s}{\kappa u_*} \end{cases}$$

(SSC = Suspended Sediment Concentration)

Find  $c_a$ ,  $z_a$ ,  $h$ ,  $w_s$ , and  $u_*$  to solve the SSC profile!

# || Spinning machine: Cohesive sediment

**$d \leq 62.5 \mu\text{m}$ . No bedform formation.**

- **Erosion rate:**  $E = M \left( \frac{\tau_0}{\tau_{cr}} - 1 \right)$  (Partheniades, 1965)
- **Deposition rate:**  $D = w_s c_b$  (Partheniades, 1965)
- Boundary condition:  $c_b = c_a, z_0 = z_a$

**$E = D \rightarrow c_b \rightarrow$  Solution to the Rouse Profile**

Variable /Parameter	Source	Value	Unit
$w_s$	Gibbs et al. (1971); Hill & McCave (2001)	$(\sqrt{2})^t, t = -4, -3, \dots 2$	mm/s
$h$	Pinet (2016)	2.50, 3.75, 5.00, ... 20.00	m
$\tau_{cr}$	van Ledden et al. (2004)	0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.30	Pa
$U$	Yu et al. (2014)	0.5, 0.6, ... 1.5	m/s
$C_D$	Soulsby (1997)	$(1.50, 1.75, \dots 3.00) \times 10^{-3}$	
$M$	Amos et al. (1992)	$10^{-5}, 10^{-4}$	kg/(m <sup>2</sup> s)
$z_a$	van Rijn (2007)	0.05	m

# || Spinning machine: Non-cohesive sediment

62.5  $\mu\text{m}$  <  $d \leq 250 \mu\text{m}$  (van Rijn, 2007). Formation of bedform.

- Solving the Rouse Profile:

(1) **Bedform roughness:**  $z_{0f} = \frac{\Delta^2}{\lambda}$  (Soulsby, 1997)

$\Delta = 0.11h \left( \frac{d_{50}}{h} \right)^{0.3} (1 - e^{-0.5T_s})(25 - T_s)$ ,  $\lambda = 7.3h$ ,  $T_s = \frac{\tau_{0s}}{\tau_{cr}} - 1$   
(van Rijn, 1984)

(2) **Reference height & reference concentration:**

$z_a = \frac{\Delta}{2}$ ,  $c_a = \rho_s \frac{0.015dT_s^{1.5}}{z_a D_*^{0.3}}$  (van Rijn, 1984)

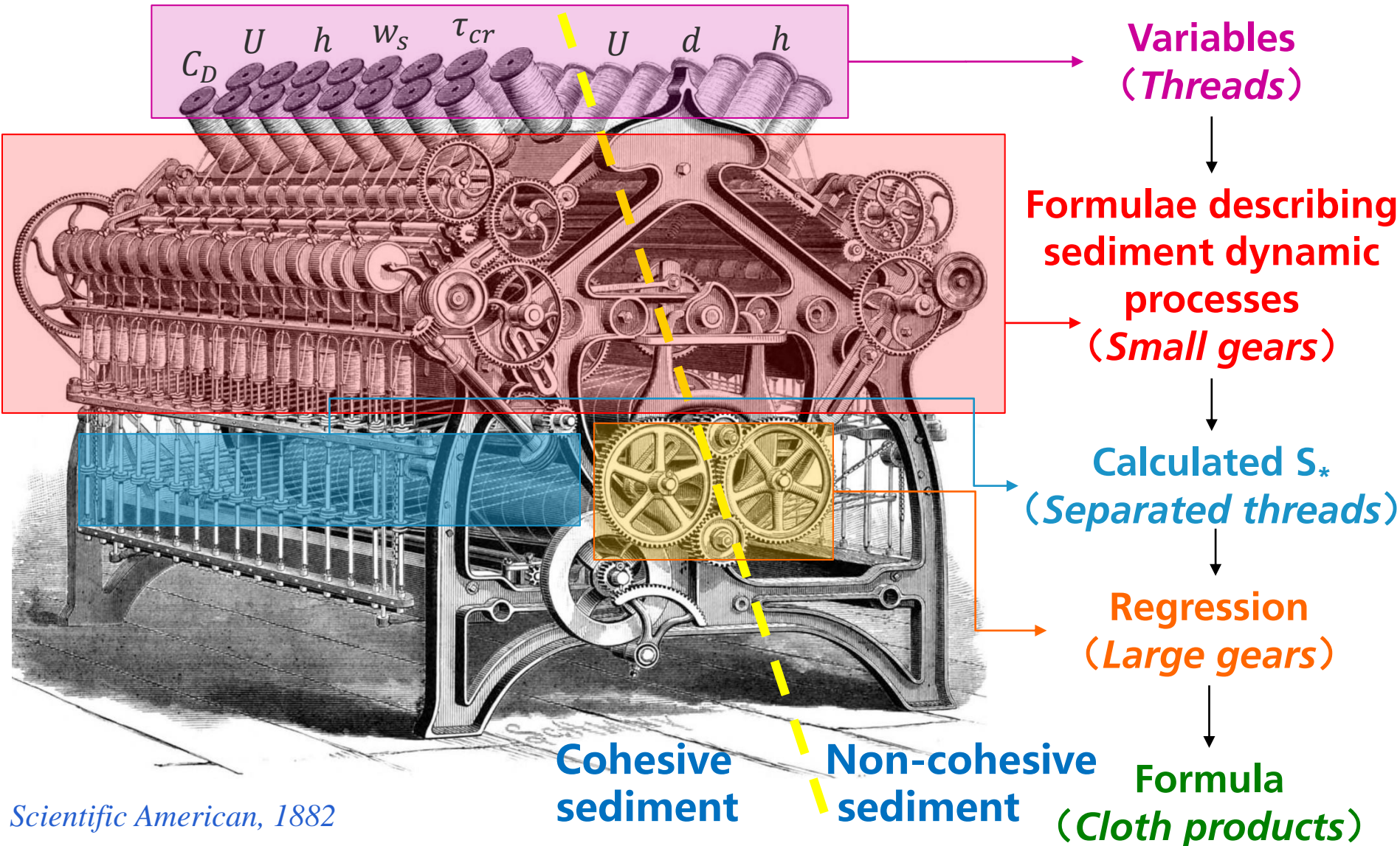
(3) **Settling velocity:**

$w_s = \frac{v}{d} \left( \sqrt{10.36^2 + 1.049D_*^3} - 10.36 \right)$  (Soulsby, 1997)

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$d$ or $d_{50}$	van Rijn (2007)	4.0, 3.8, ... 2.2	$\phi$
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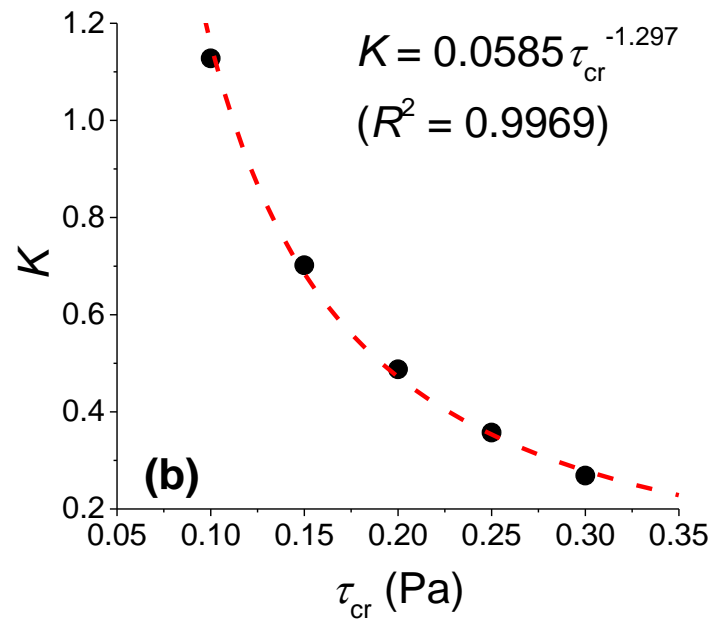
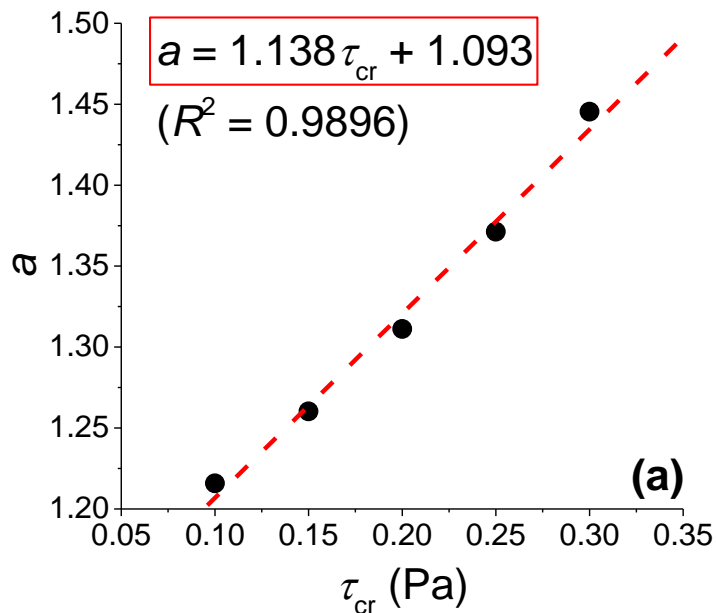




# || Cohesive sediment: Role of $\tau_{cr}$

$$2a \in (2.4, 2.9) \leftarrow$$

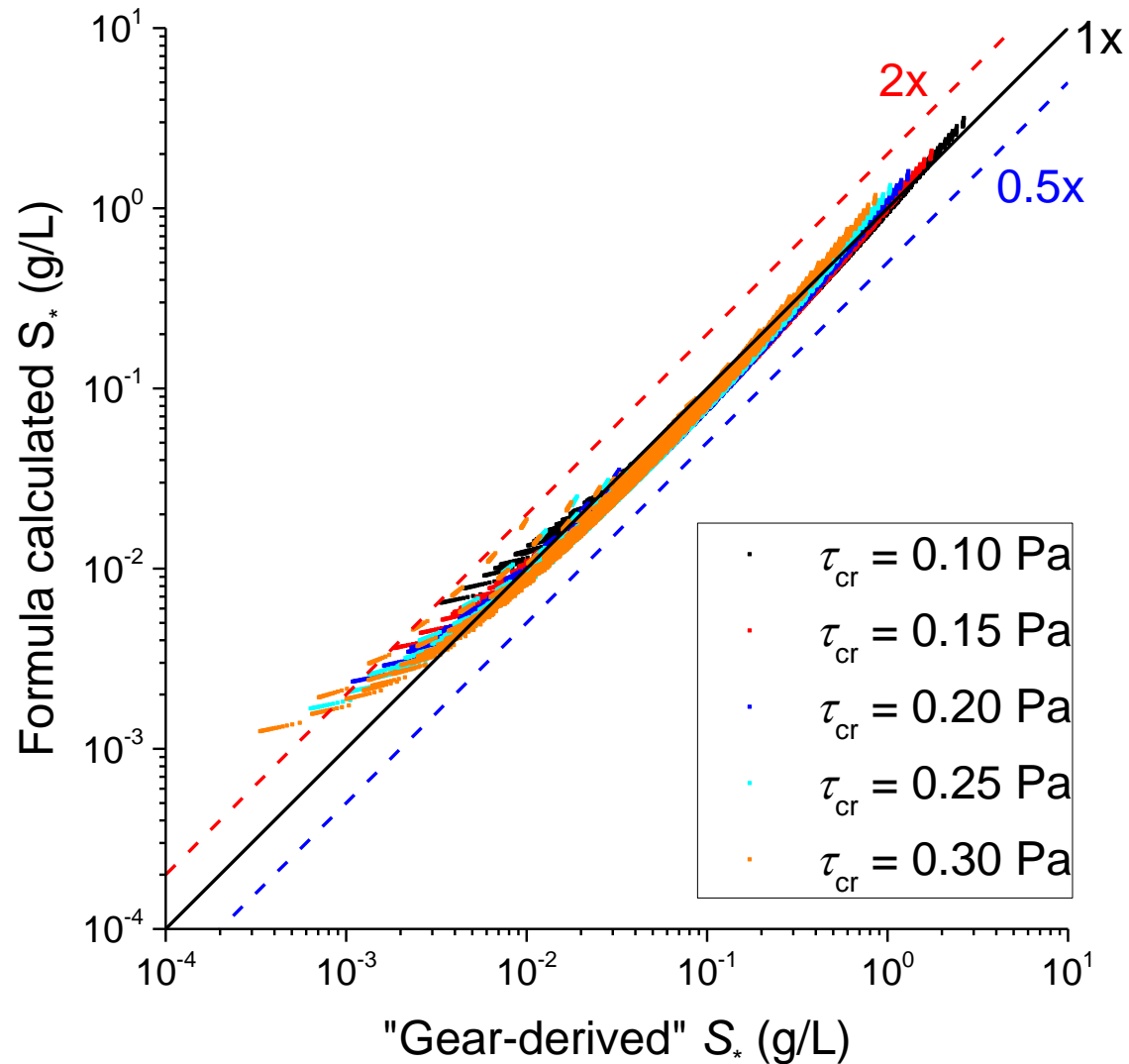
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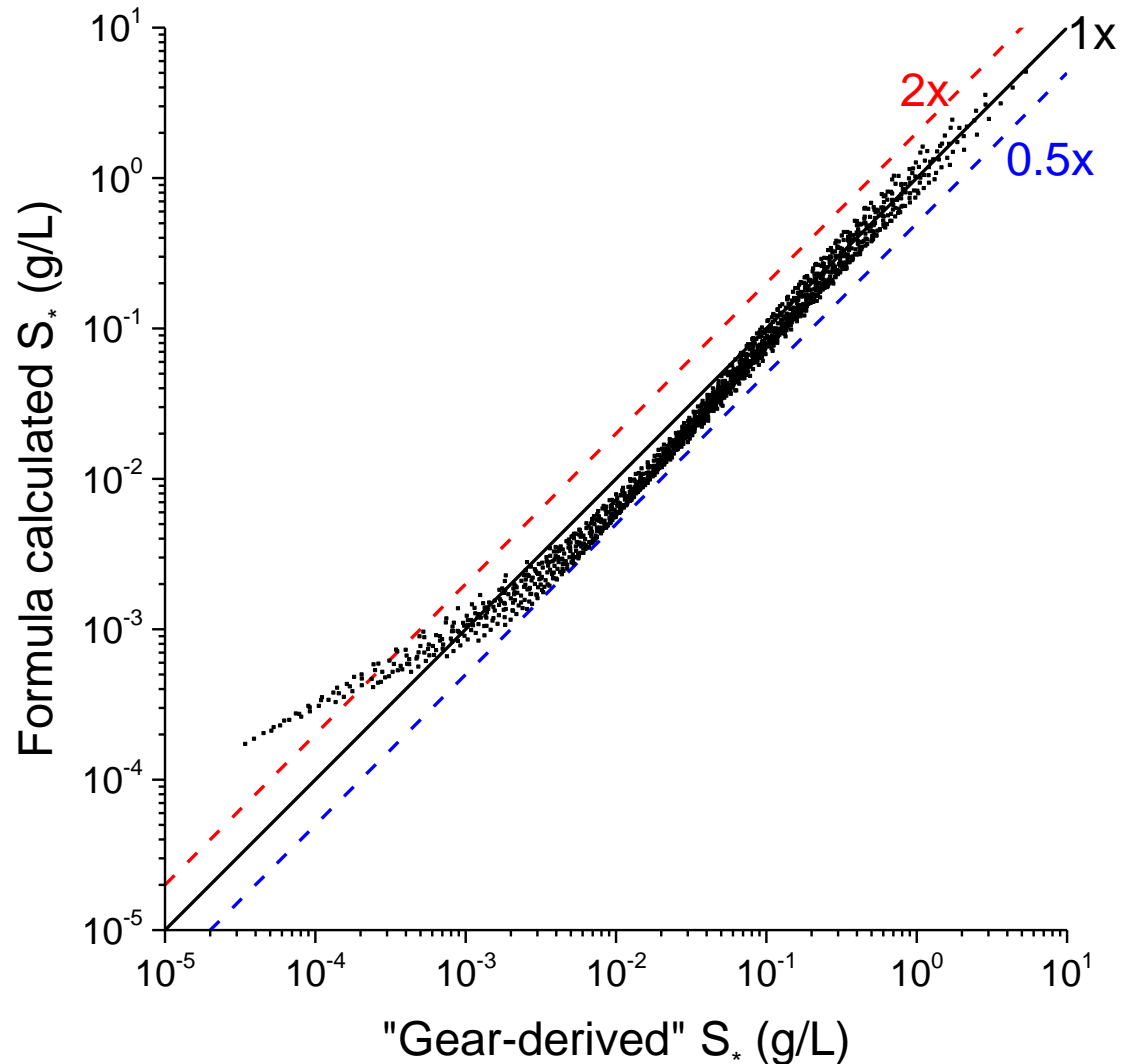


# Non-cohesive sediment: Verification

$$62.5 \mu\text{m} < d \leq 200 \mu\text{m}$$

(van Rijn, 2007)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S_* = \alpha K \frac{U^a}{h^b w_s^c} \\ \alpha = 0.8107 \\ K = 0.01107 \\ a = 5.14 \\ b = 1.24 \\ c = 0.884 \end{array} \right.$$



# Open the blackbox

$$S_* = f(U, h, w_s, \tau_{cr})$$

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**Non-cohesive**

**Spinning machine:  
interlocking  
gears**



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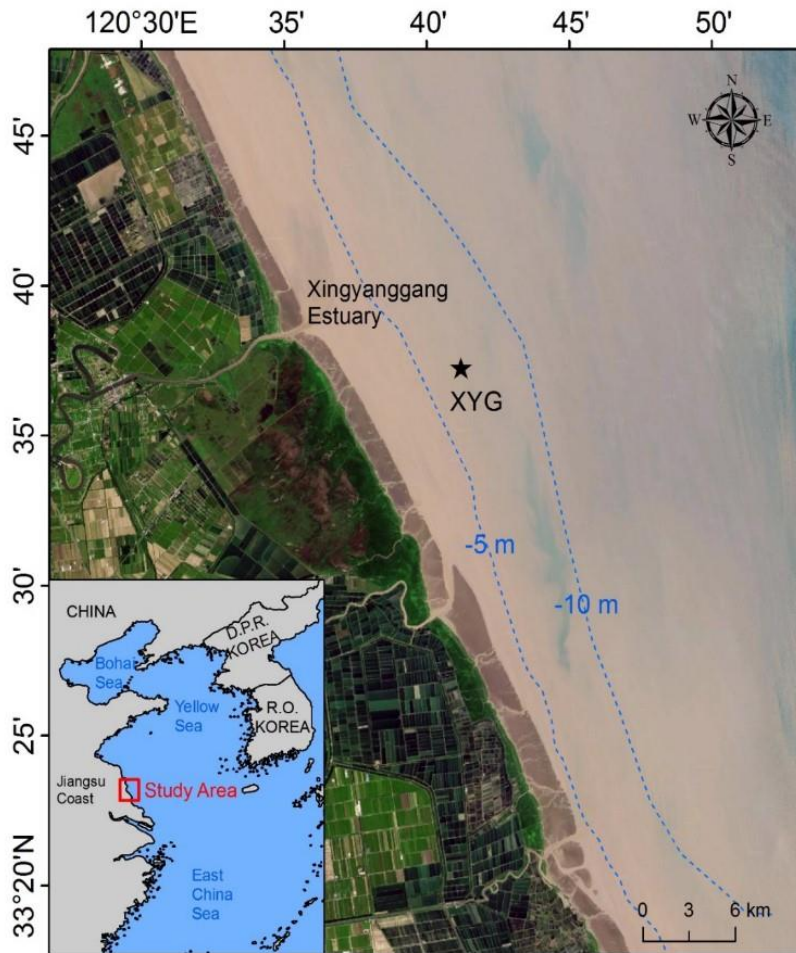
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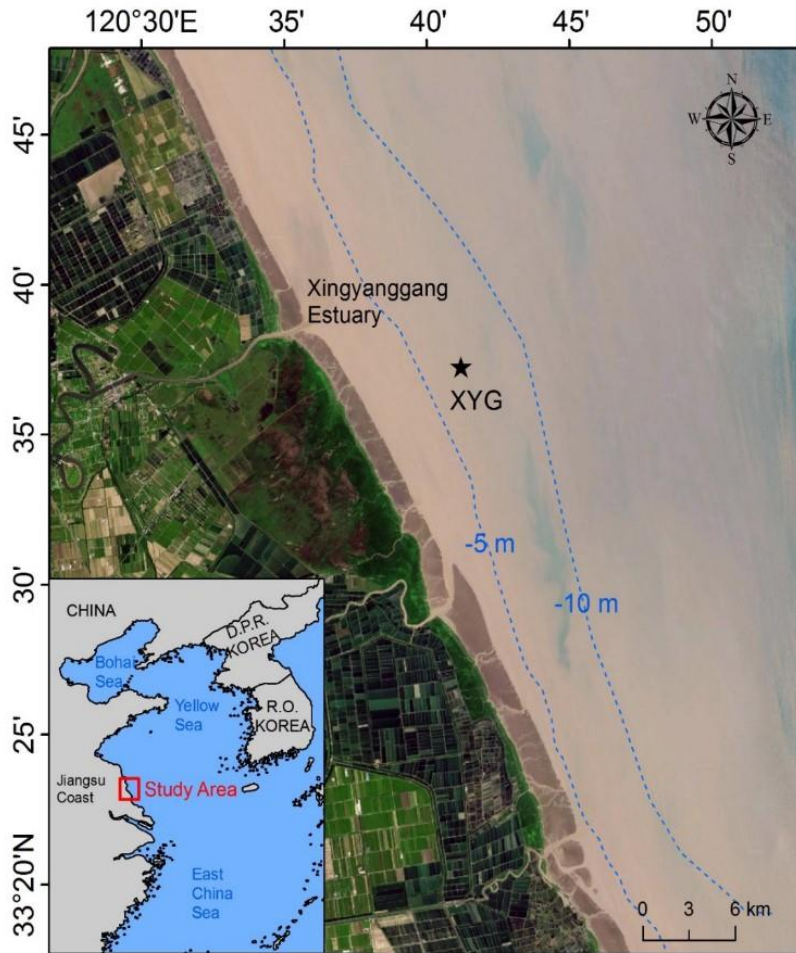
Water sampling:  
3 depths, every hour,  
in a 12.5-hour tidal cycle;

Flow measurement:  
ADCP, ship-mounted



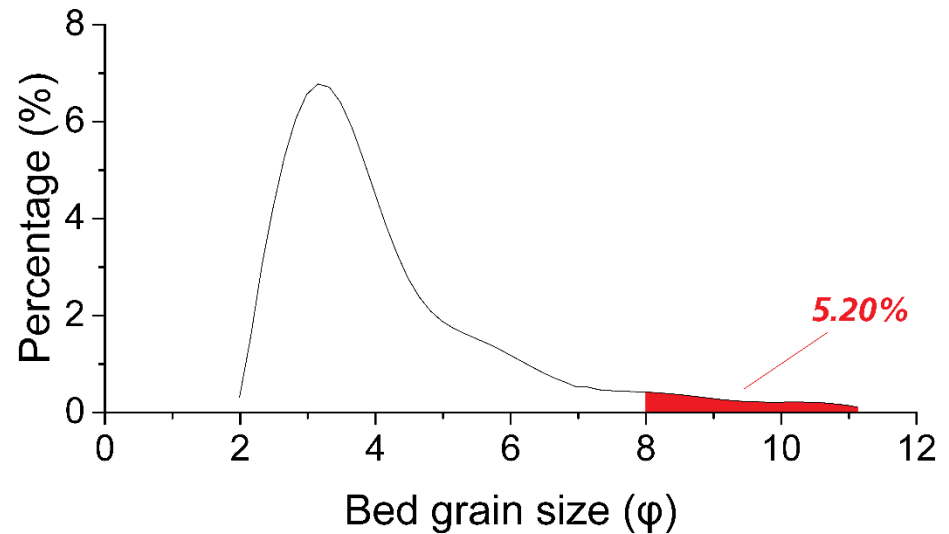


# *In-situ* observation: Bed property



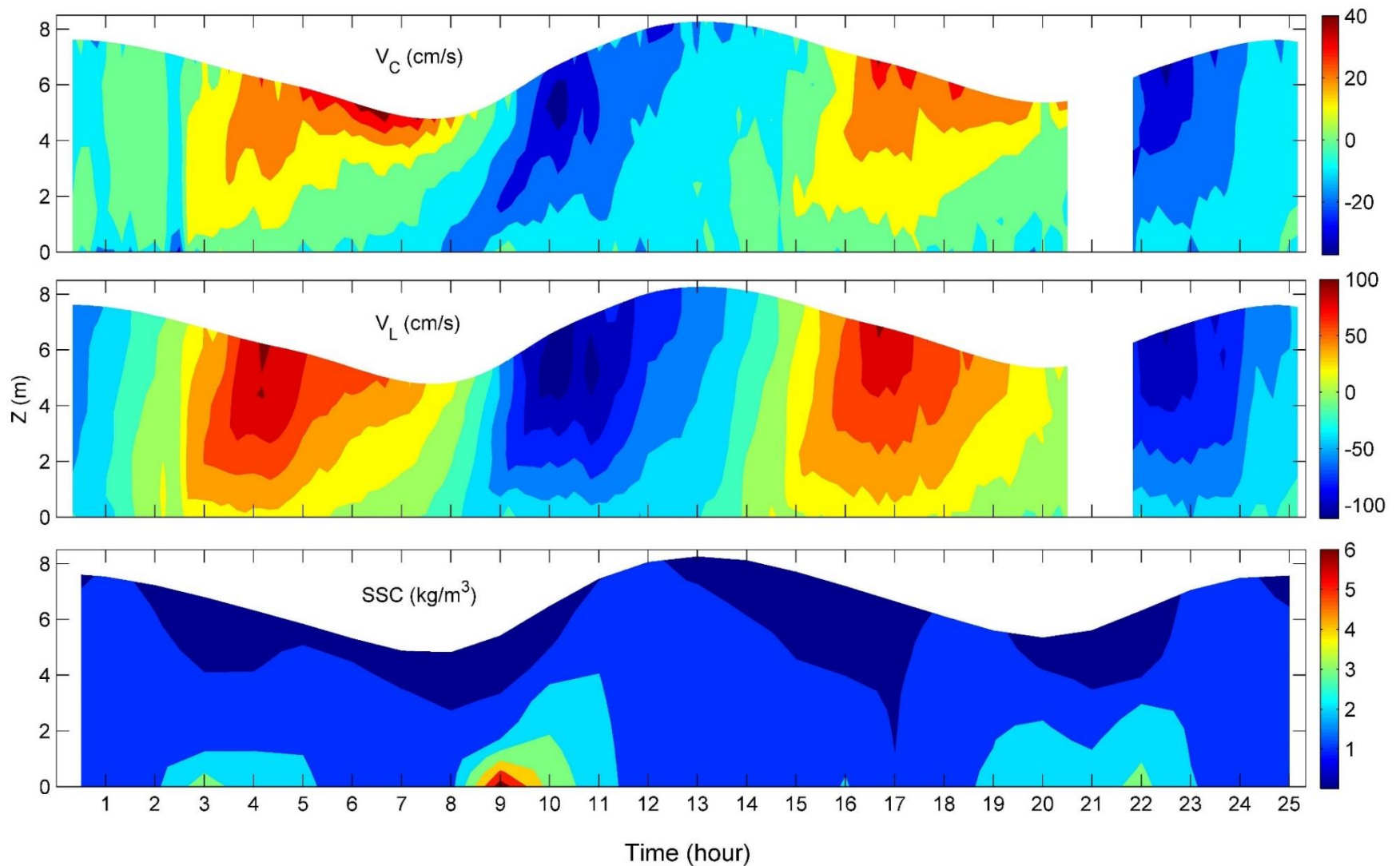
## Cohesive bed

Cohesive fraction ( $<8 \mu\text{m}$  i.e.  $>7 \phi$ )  
over 5% (van Rijn, 2007)



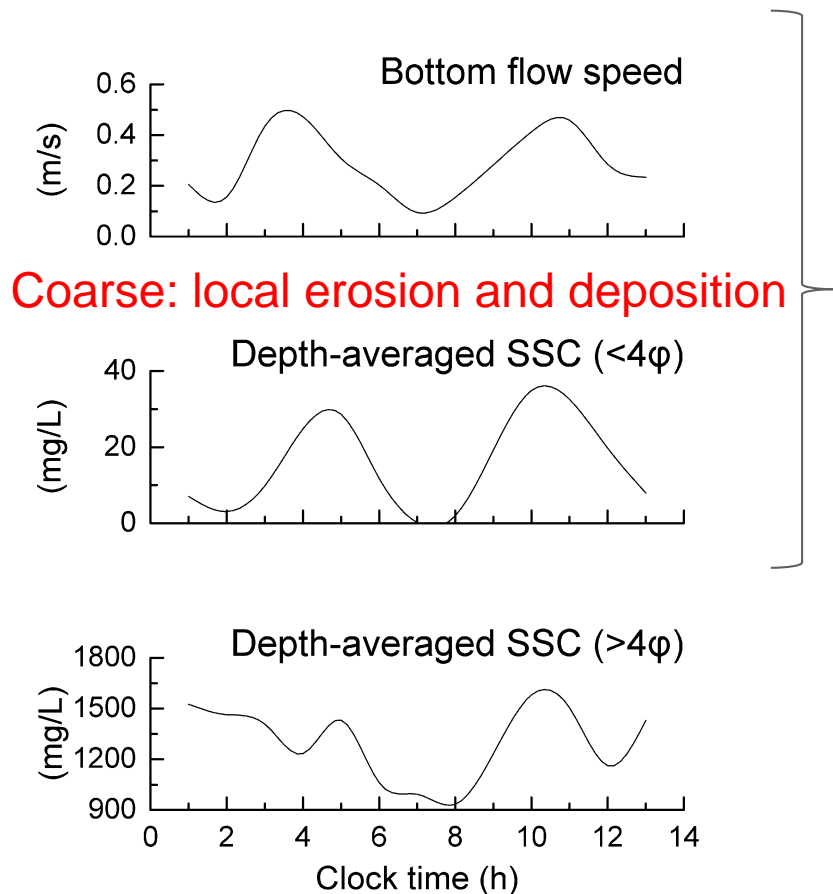
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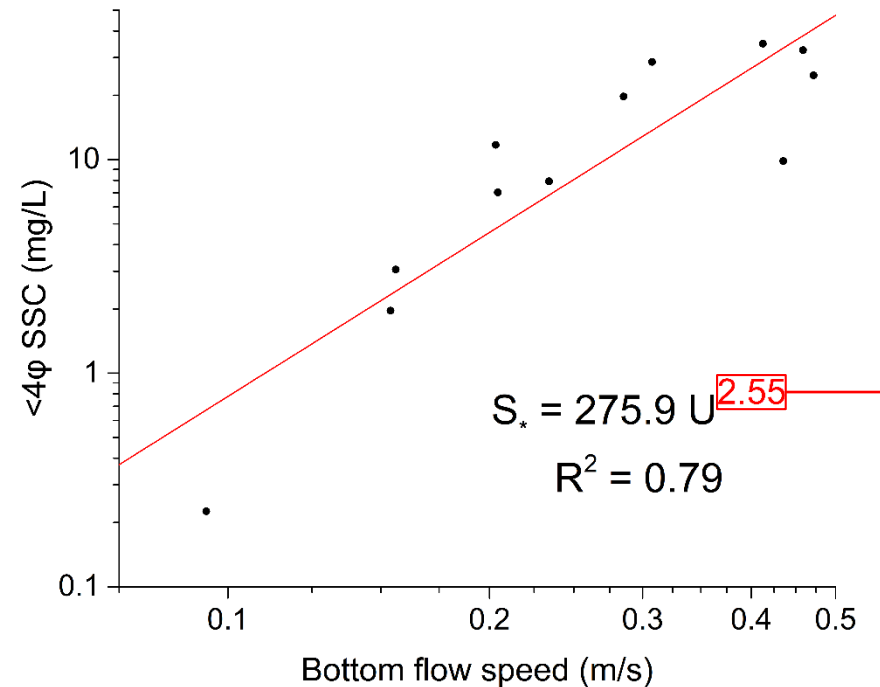


# *In-situ* observation: Results

## Observed flow & SSC



- Primary participant of vertical exchange
- Good indicator of local resuspension and settling (therefore local SSC)



Fine sediment: dominated by advection

Recall that  $2a \in (2.4, 2.9)$ !

## || Further work

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- Non-cohesive bed: Request for flume or *in-situ* data
- Density (salinity & SSC) gradient: Dampen turbulence and vertical mixing, change the Rouse Profile

# || Conclusion

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- A process-based tide-induced sediment transport capacity formula is derived from numerical experiment by separating cohesive and non-cohesive sediments.
- (Depth-averaged) Horizontal flow speed plays the dominant role in STC formulae; the power of flow speed increases linearly with  $\tau_{cr}$  for the cohesive sediment.
- *In-situ* observation in middle Jiangsu coast has validated our derived formula.



# Thank you !

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