

Crusher Dynamics, Design and Performance

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Agenda

- Background
- Crusher modeling
- Breakage and size reduction
- Simulations
- Verification (does it work?)
- Conclusions (theoretical and practical)

Take home messages

Take home messages will address:

- Information needed for problem solving
- How can product yield be improved?
- How can production costs be effected?
- How can particle shape be affected?
- How can machine parameters such as speed be utilized?

Audience Survey

What is the most important crusher parameter?

- A. Closed Side Setting**
- B. Feeding**
- C. Chamber selection**
- D. Capacity**
- E. Eccentric speed**



Background

Aggregate producers in Sweden required more knowledge and fundamental understanding about crushing

Modeling of cone crushers started at Chalmers University of Technology in 1993.

Background

Why compressive crushing? (hard rock types)

- ✓ Energy efficient
- ✓ Acceptable yield of
- ✓ Acceptable particle
- ✓ Low fines generation
- ✓ Low wear on manga

Take home message:

**Compressive
crushing is
energy efficient.**

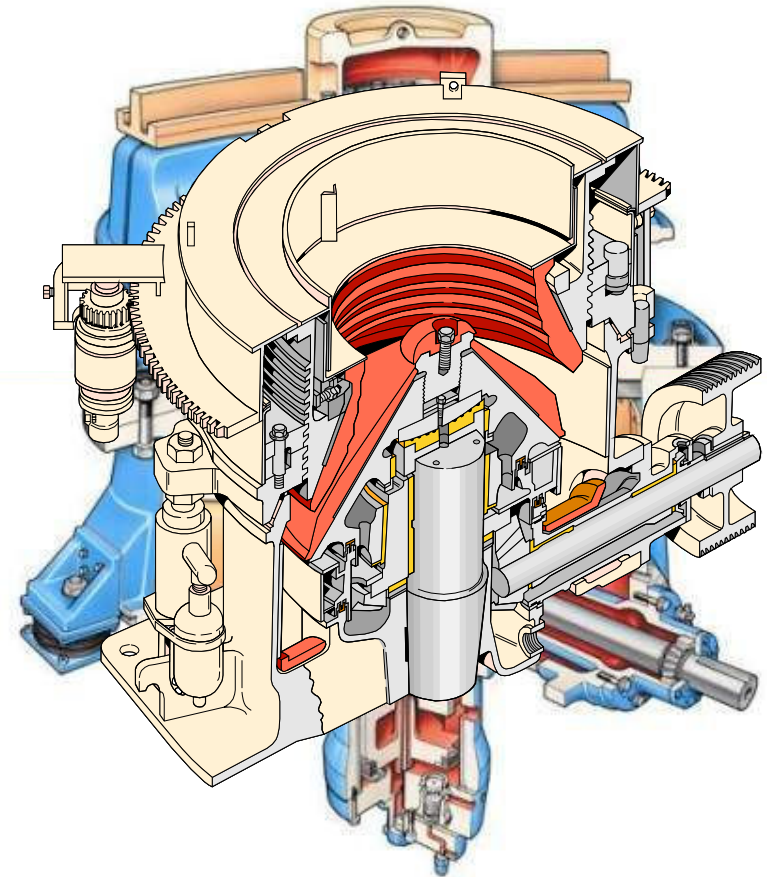
Cone Crushers

Why cone crushers?

The ***cone crusher*** design concept is an effective and smart way of realizing compressive crushing

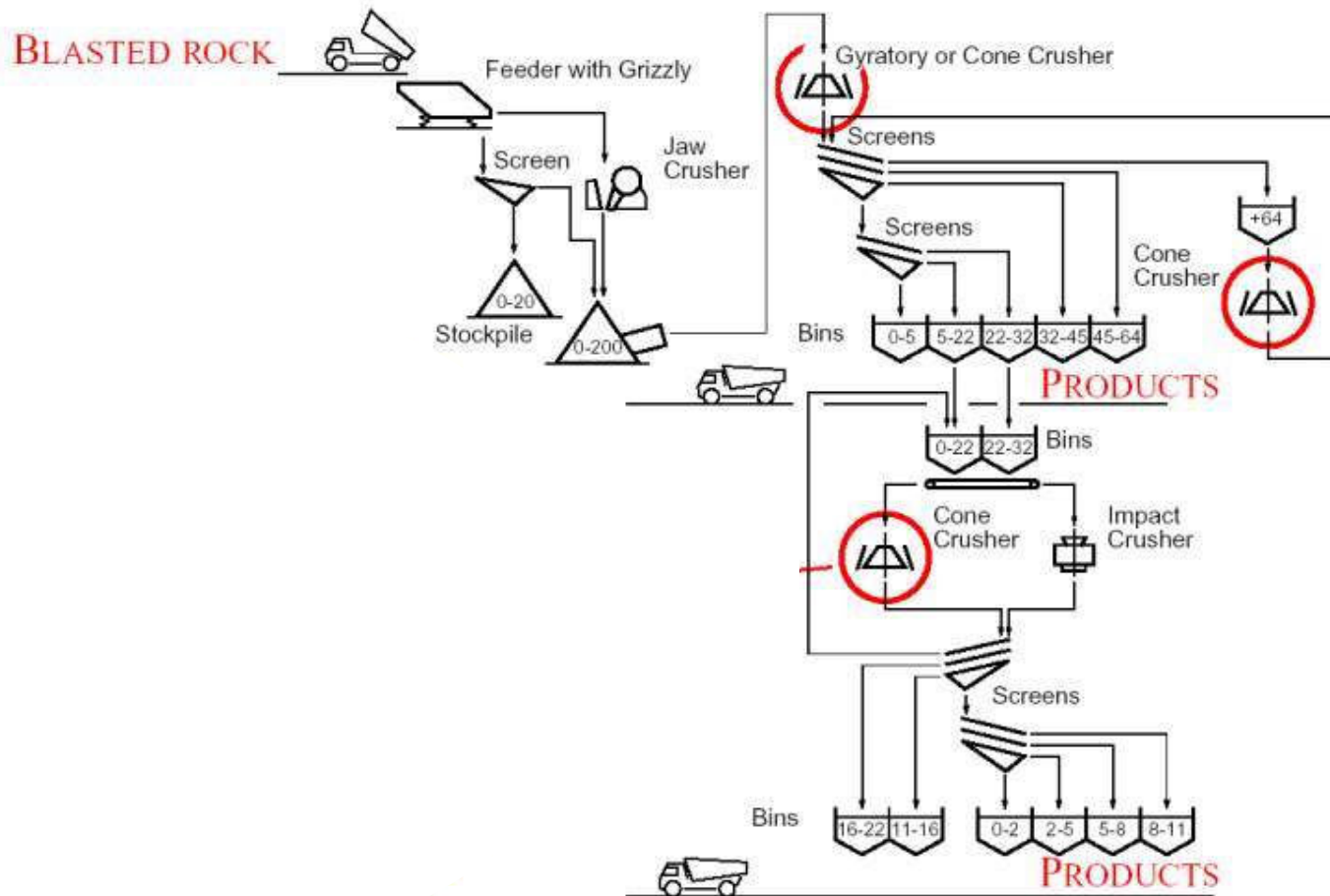
- Mechanical mineral liberation
- mining
- Aggregate production
- quarries

Should the crusher be the same?



Cone Crushers

Crushing plant - Aggregates



How OLD is the cone crusher concept?



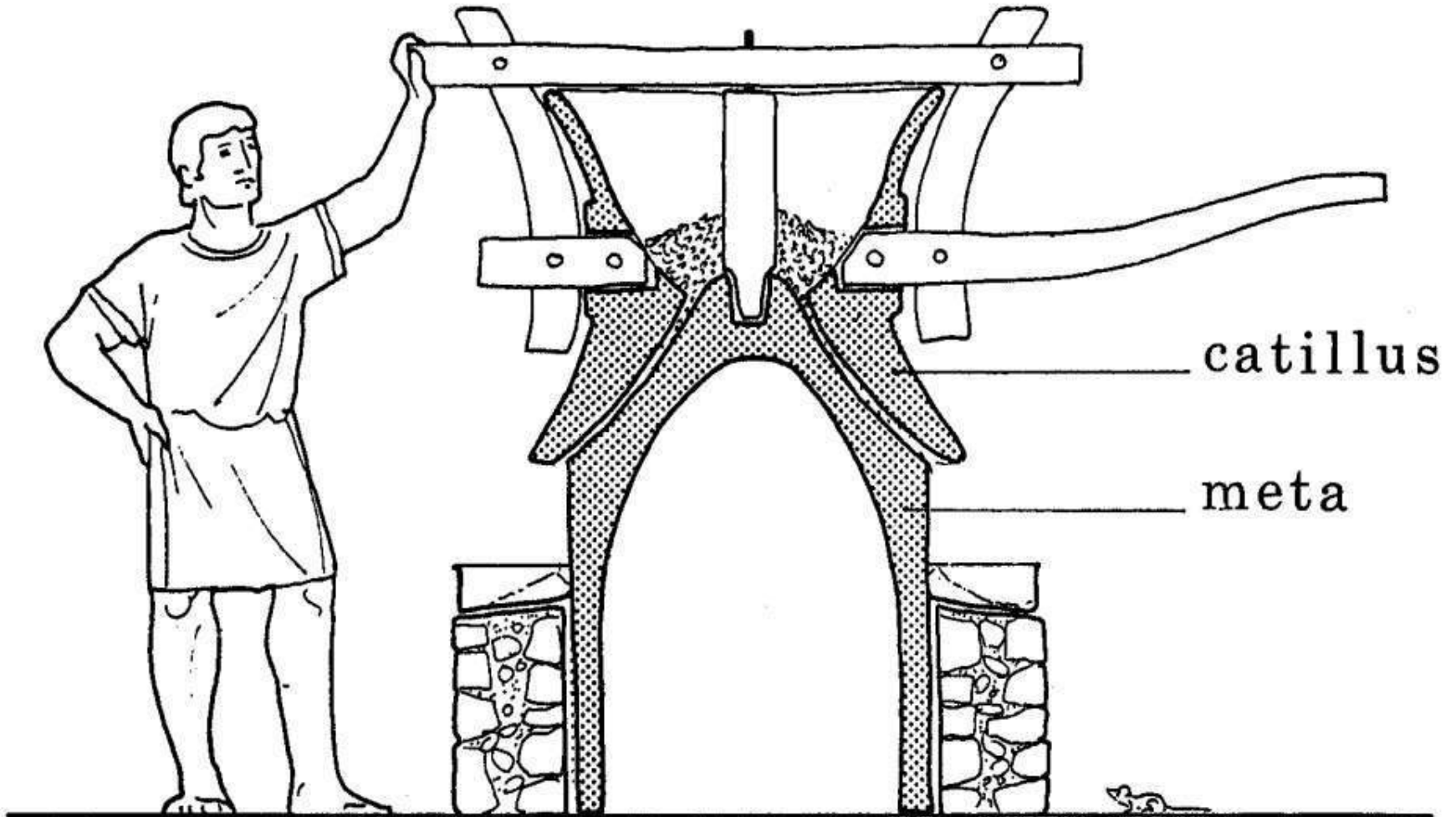
- A.** Older than 10 years
(but younger than 50)
- B.** Older than 50 years
(but younger than 100)
- C.** Older than 100 years
(but younger than 1000)
- D.** Older than 1000 years

History

Cone mill in Ostia, ancient Rome



History



From Jan Theo Bakker et. al. 1999, *The Mills-Bakeries of Ostia. Description and Interpretation*, Amsterdam.

The interior of
a bakery on a
relief from
Rome, now in
the Vatican
Museums





History

Size reduction and crusher modeling theories

- ...
- 1954 Fred Bond's WI
- 1954 Gaudie
- 1970 Bill Whiten
- 1991 Ted Bearman
- ...



Why a Crusher Model?



Objectives of Modeling

Fundamentals

- Particle size distribution
- Crushing pressure
- Crushing forces
- Power draw

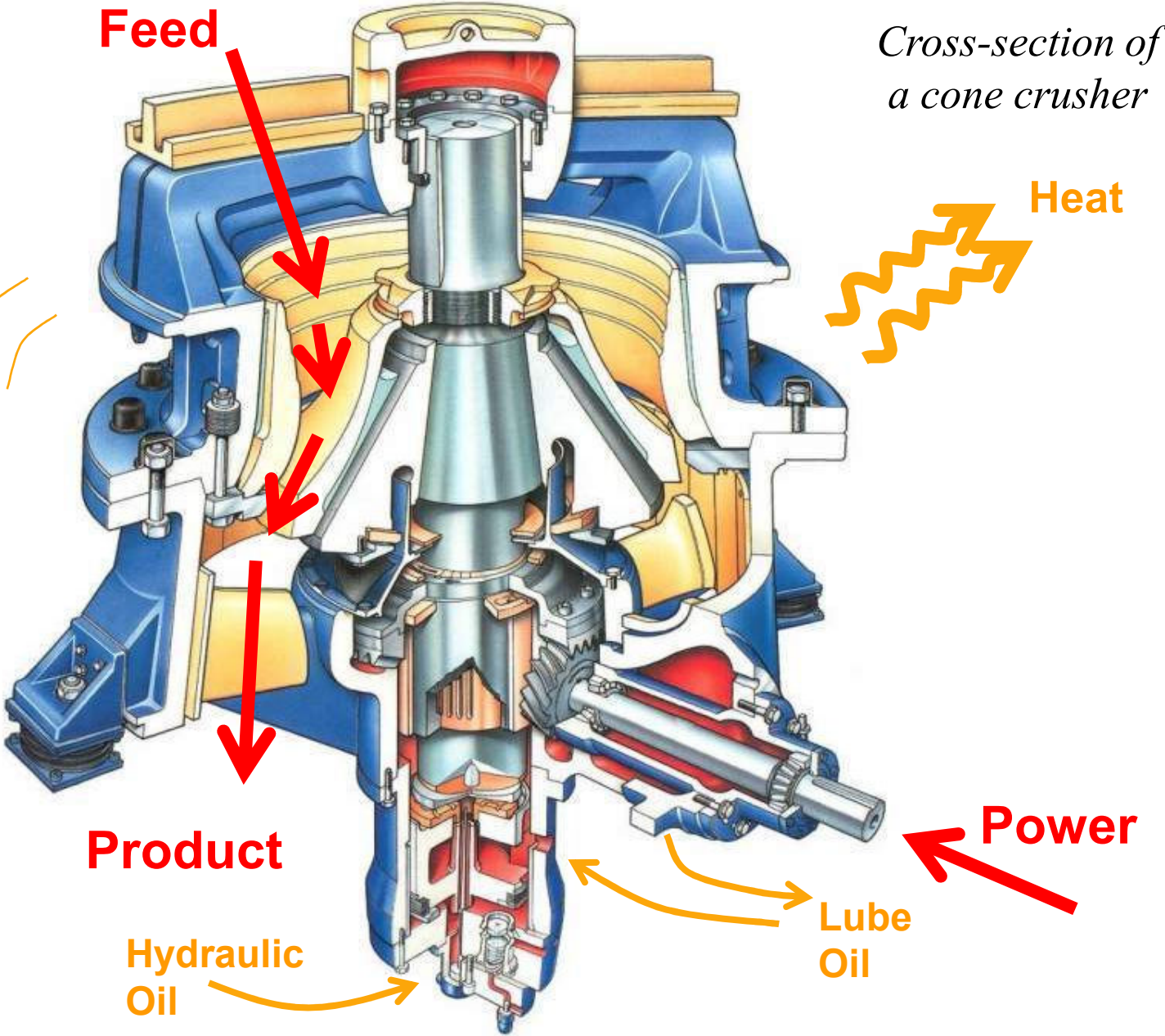


Bond's
formula only
determines
 P_{80}

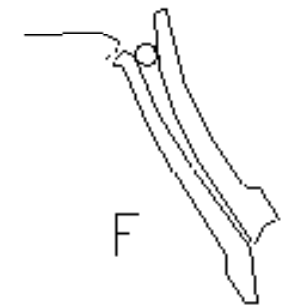
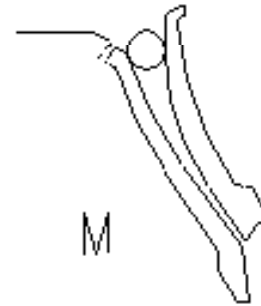
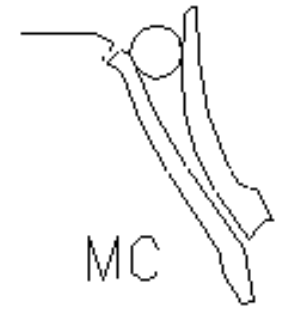
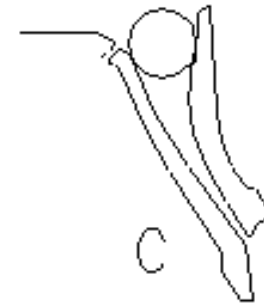
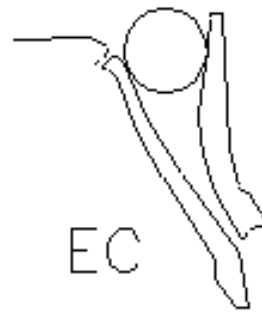
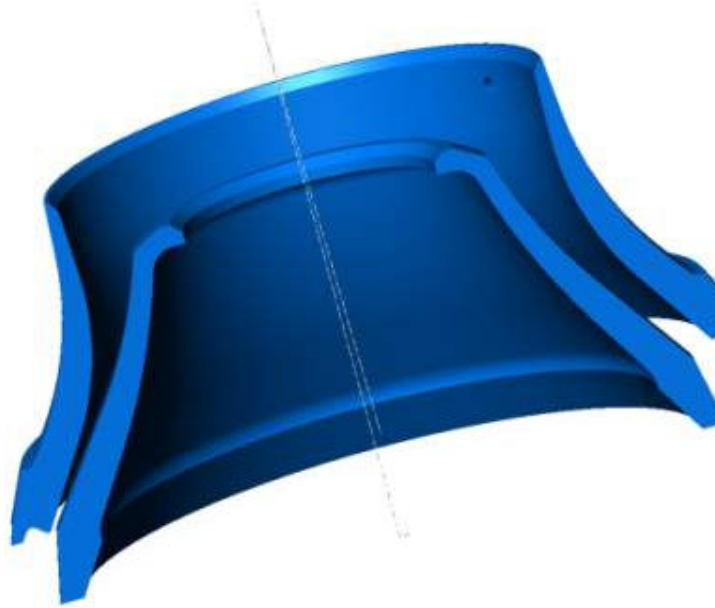
Design considerations

- Utilization of compressive size reduction in chamber
- Energy efficient crushing
- Robust performance over total liner lifetime
- Maximizing product yield

Operating Principle



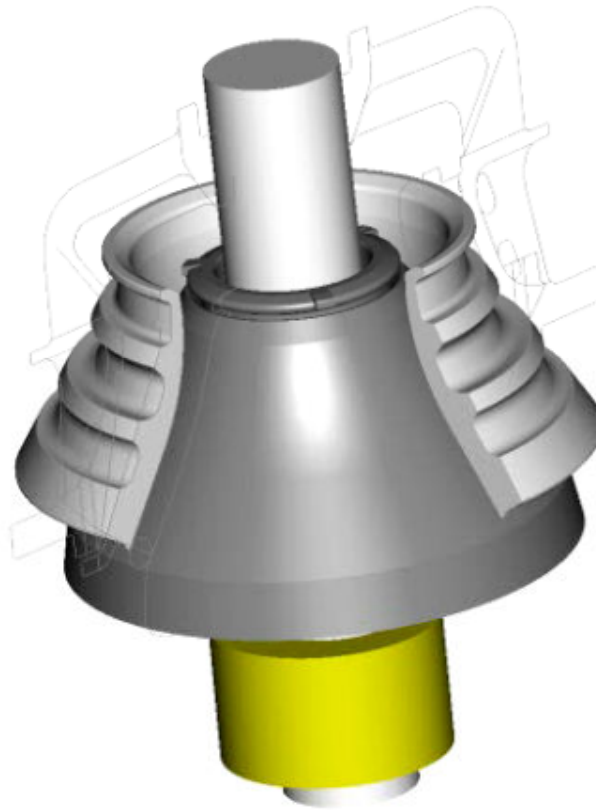
Operating Principle



All crushing starts with the chamber!

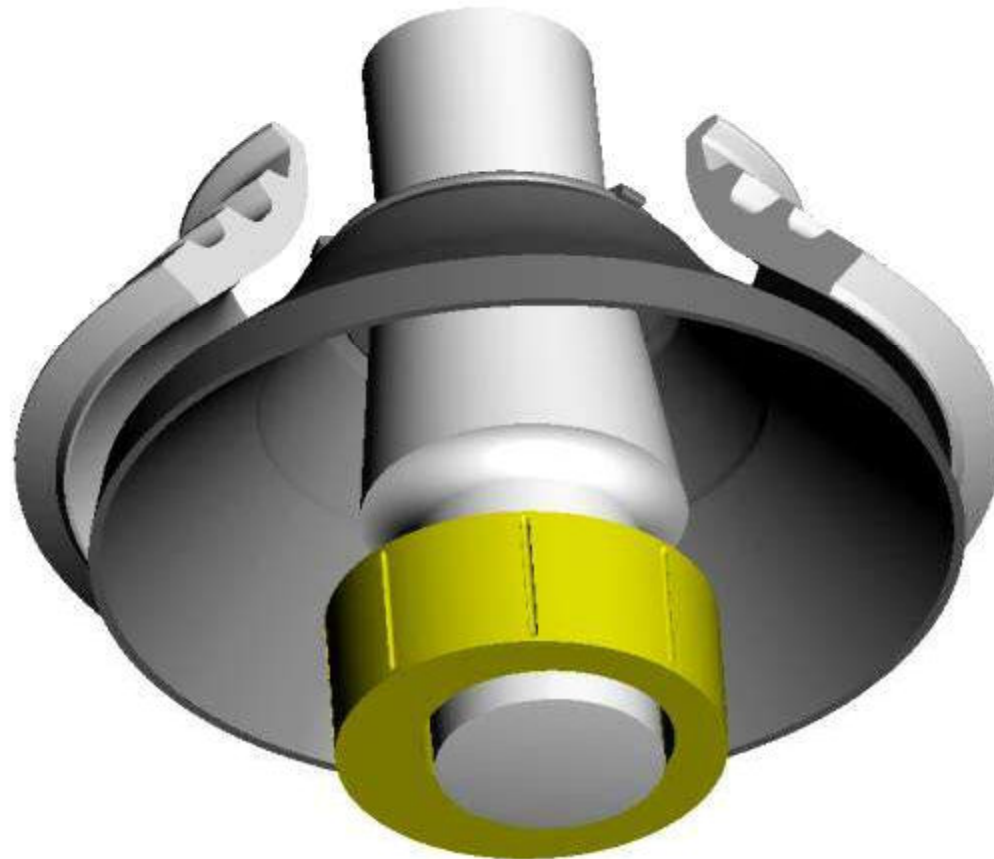


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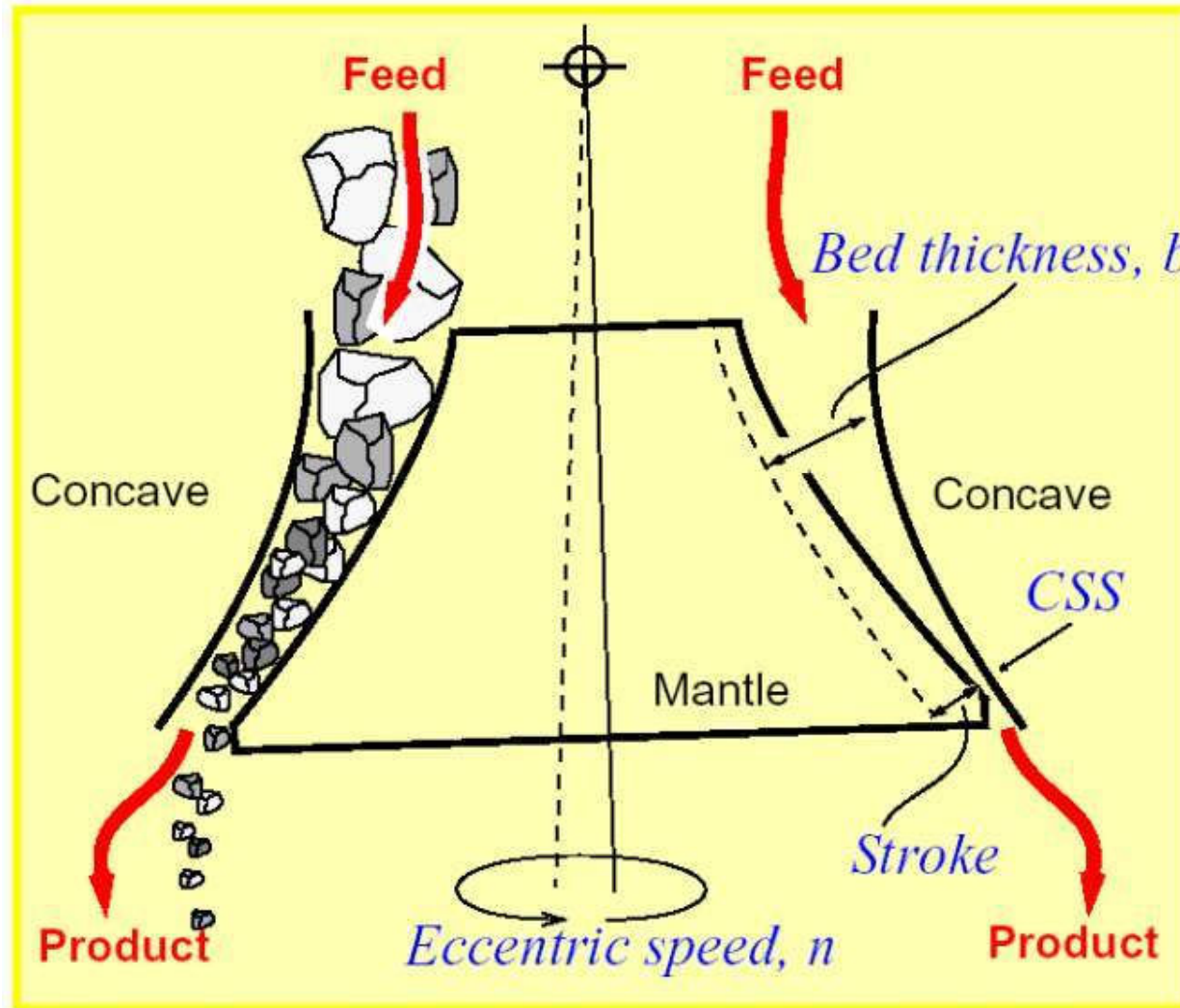
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Operating Principle



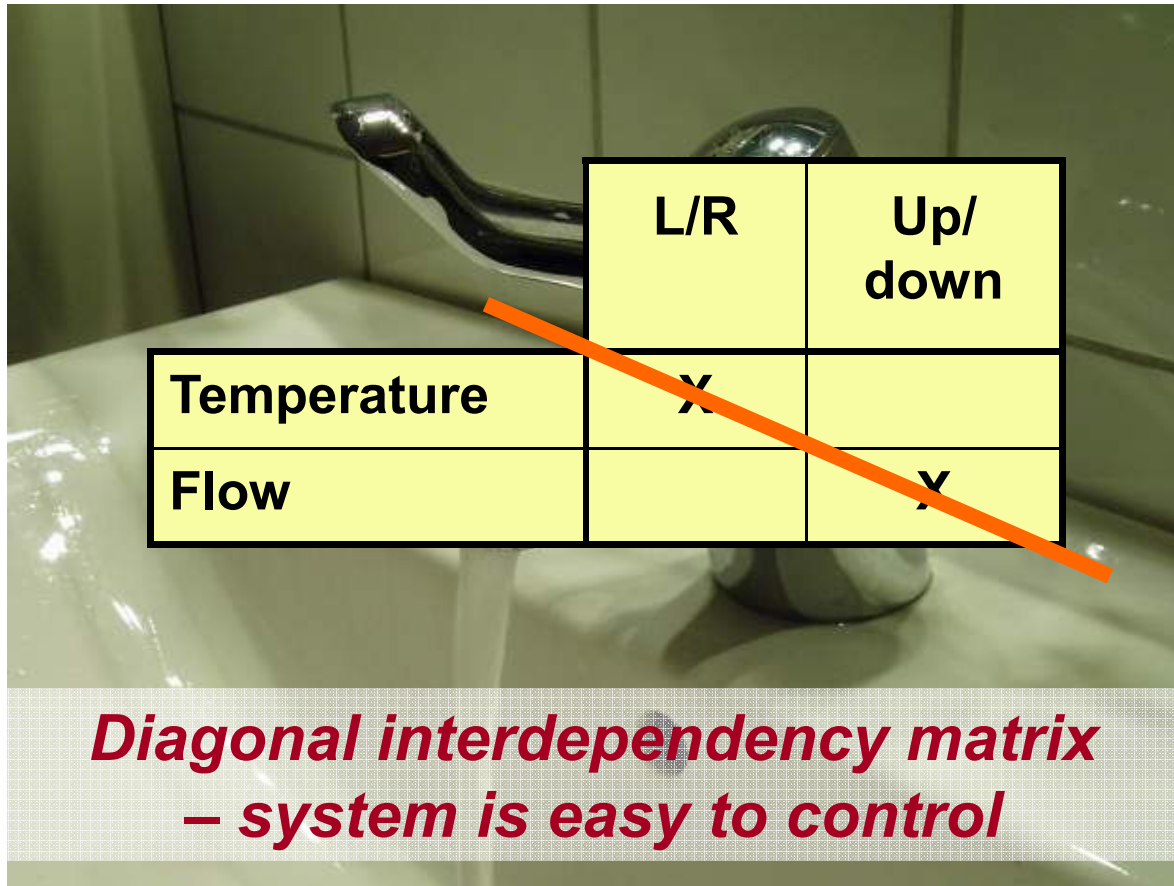
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Operating Principle



Operating Principle

Dependencies for a water tap...



	L/R	Up/ down
Temperature	X	
Flow		Y

*Diagonal interdependency matrix
– system is easy to control*

Operating Principle

Dependencies for a cone crusher...

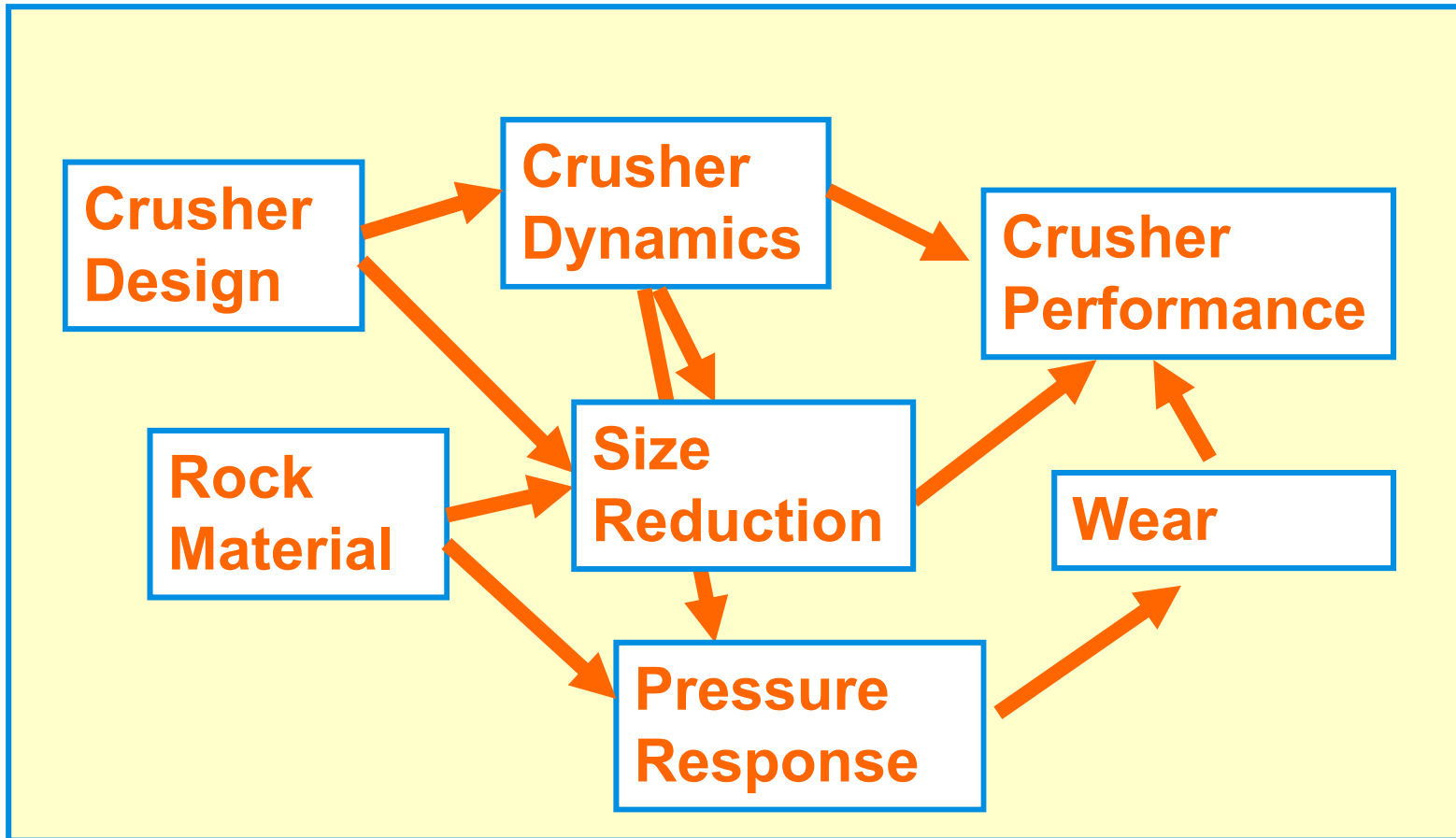
Input

X=Dependency

Output	Eccentric speed	CSS	Stroke	Crushing chamber	Rock strength	Wear resistance	Feed particle size	Feed particle shape	Feed strength
Capacity	X	X	X	X			X		
Power	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hydraulic pressure	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Product particle size	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Product particle shape	X	X	X	X			X	X	X
Product strength	X	X	X	X	X	X			X

Many X = complex function

Crusher Model



Crusher Model



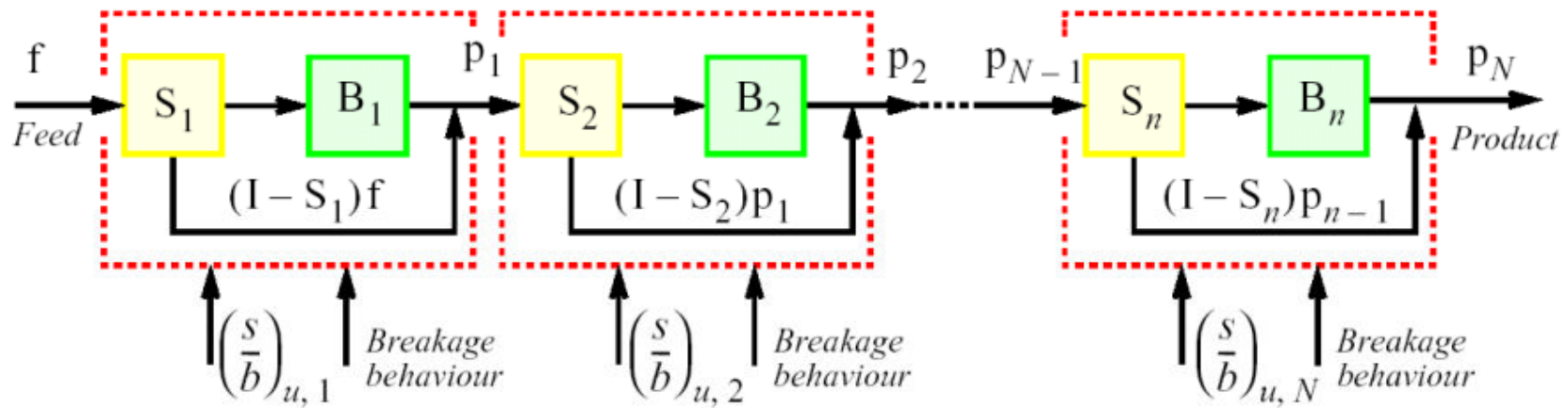
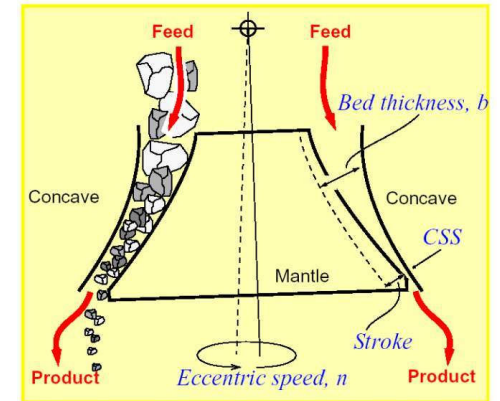
The compressive crushing process can be described with two functions.

Selection S – which?

Breakage B – how?

Crusher Model

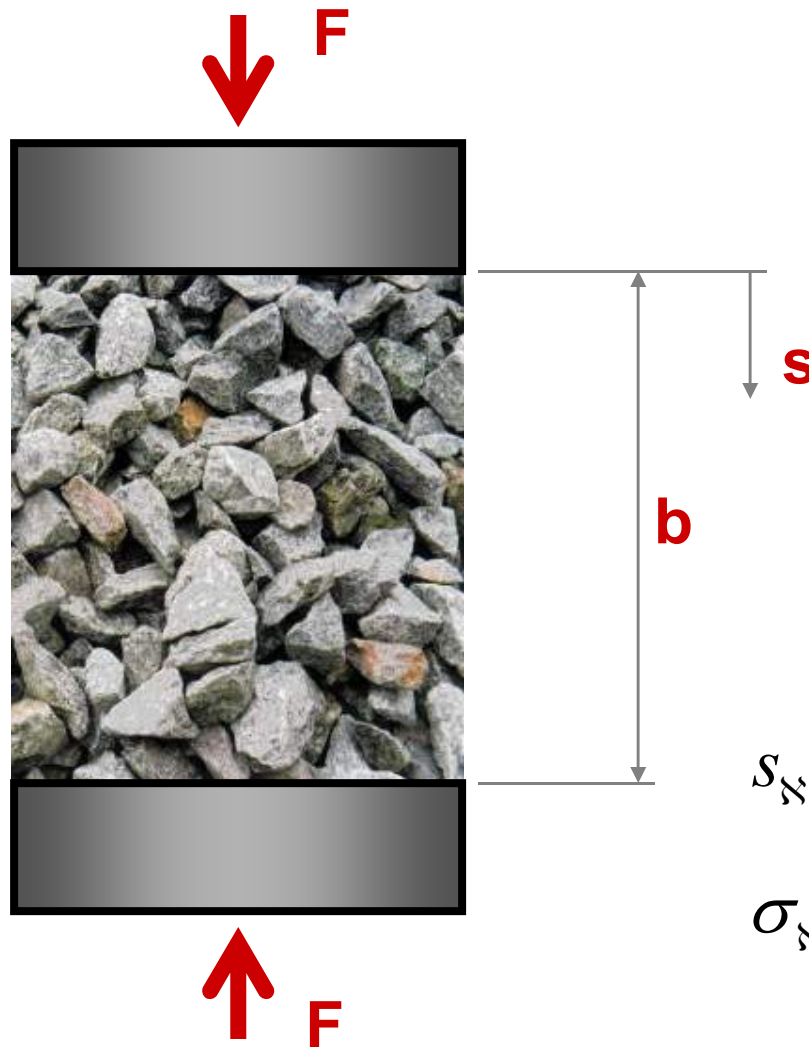
Repeated size reduction steps



$$p_i = \{ [B_i^{\text{inter}} S_i + (I - S_i)] M_i^{\text{inter}} + B_i^{\text{single}} M_i^{\text{single}} \} p_{i-1}$$

$$\left(\frac{s}{b}\right)_{u,i} = \text{Compression ratio}$$

Rock Breakage Behavior



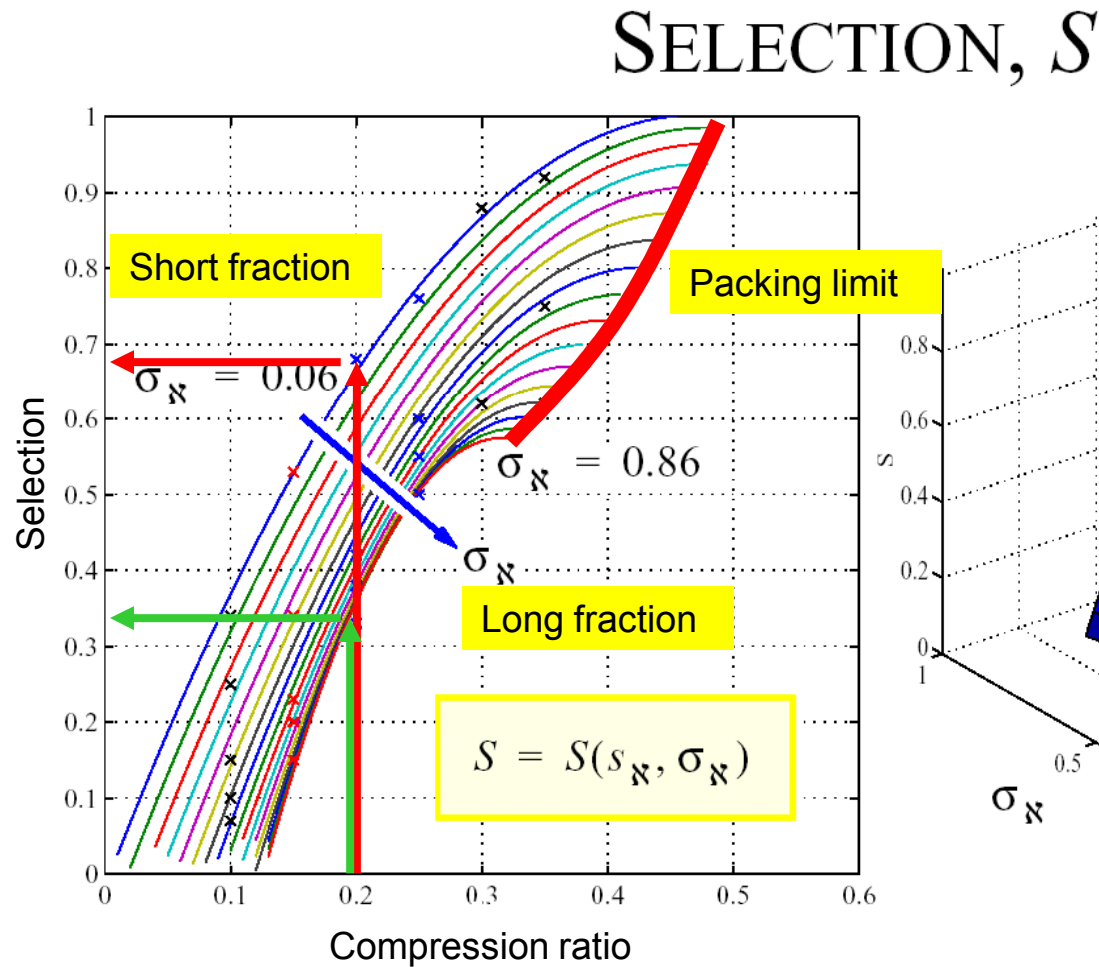
Form conditioned
compression
*-displacement
controlled*

$$F = F(s_{\text{ss}}, \sigma_{\text{ss}})$$

$$s_{\text{ss}} = \frac{s}{b}$$

σ_{ss} = *size distribution width*

Rock Breakage Behavior



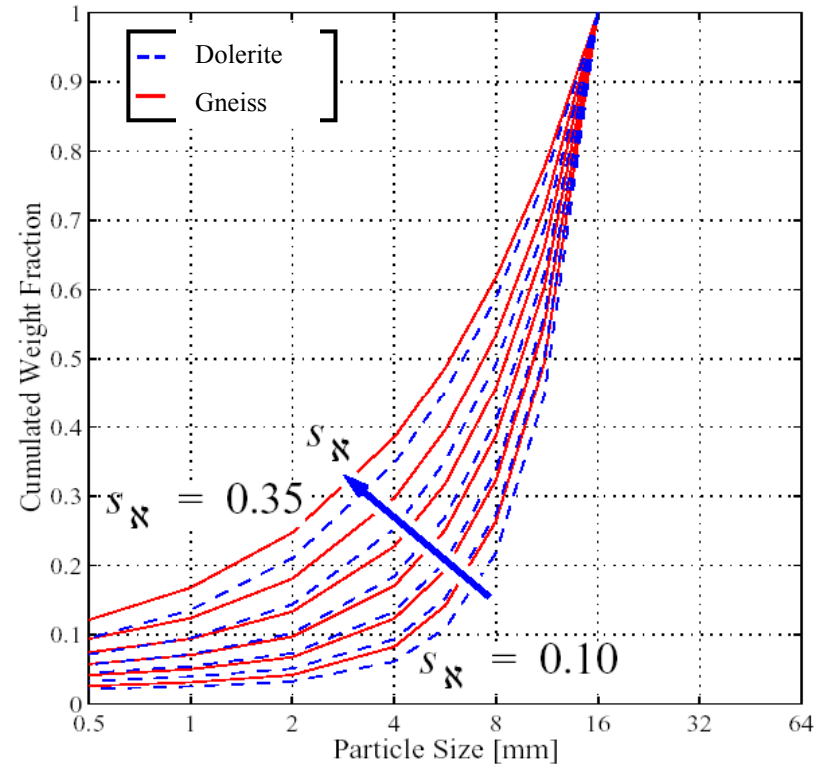
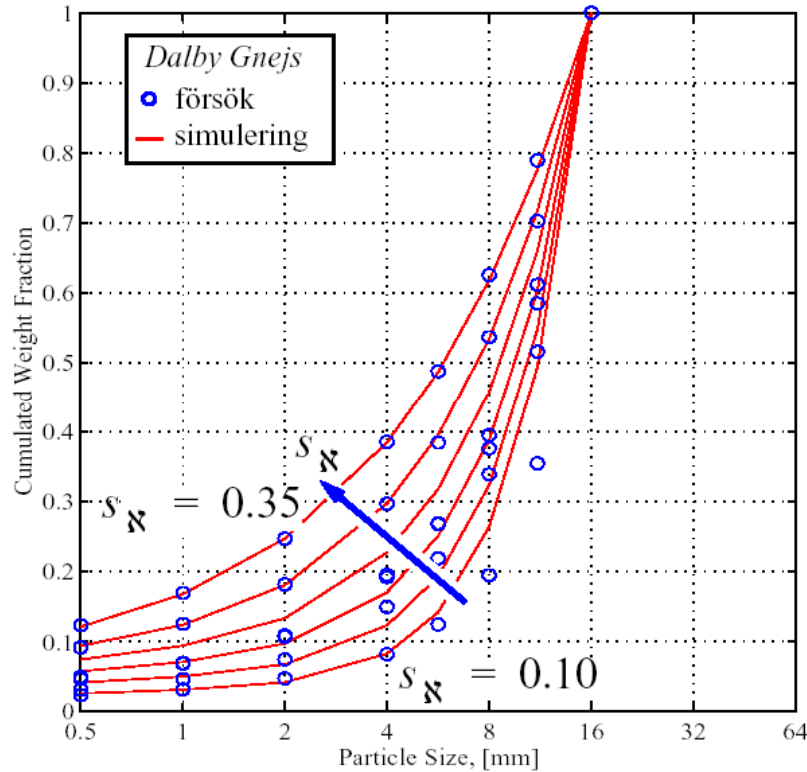
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It is easier to crush short fractions than long fractions.

Packing limit is reach earlier with long fractions.

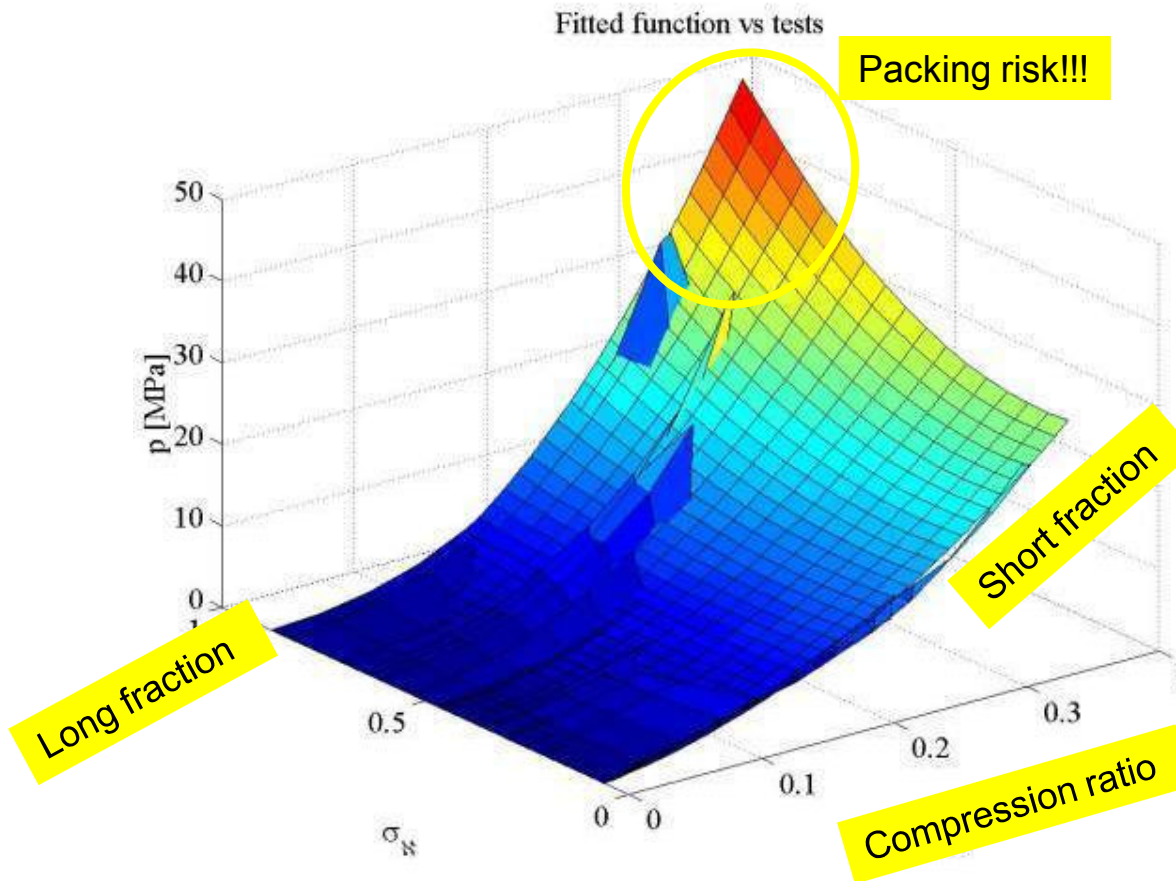
Rock Breakage Behavior

BREAKAGE, B



$$B(x_N, s_N) = (1 - (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 s_N)) x_N^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 s_N} + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 s_N) x_N$$

Rock Breakage Behavior



Take home message:

**Interparticle
breakage**

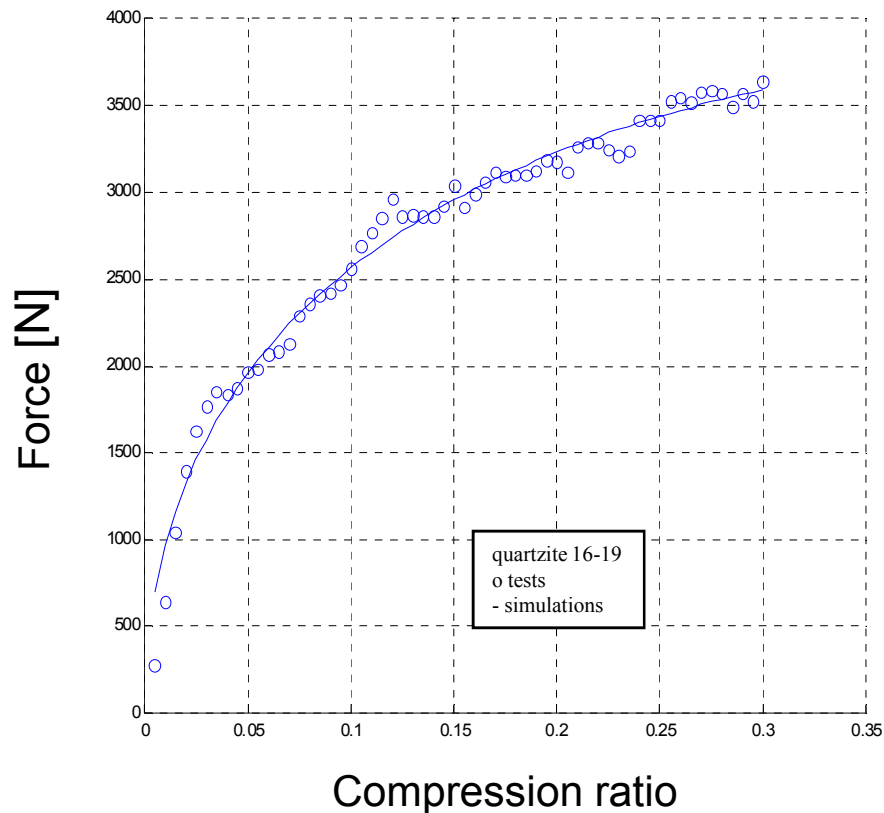
**Longer fractions
results in higher
crushing
pressure and
better particle
shape.**

$$p(s_N, \sigma_N) = a_1 s_N^2 \sigma_N^2 + a_2 s_N^2 \sigma_N + a_3 s_N^2 + a_4 s_N \sigma_N^2$$

$\sigma_N = \text{size distribution width}$

Rock Breakage Behavior

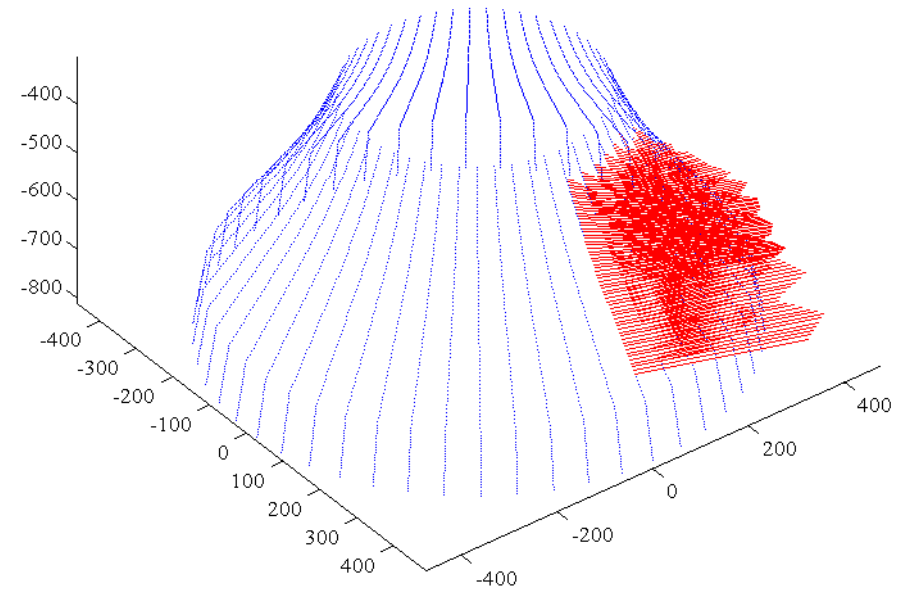
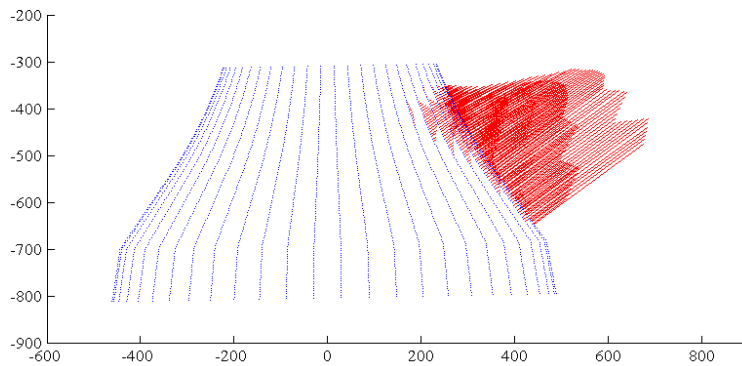
Single particle -force response



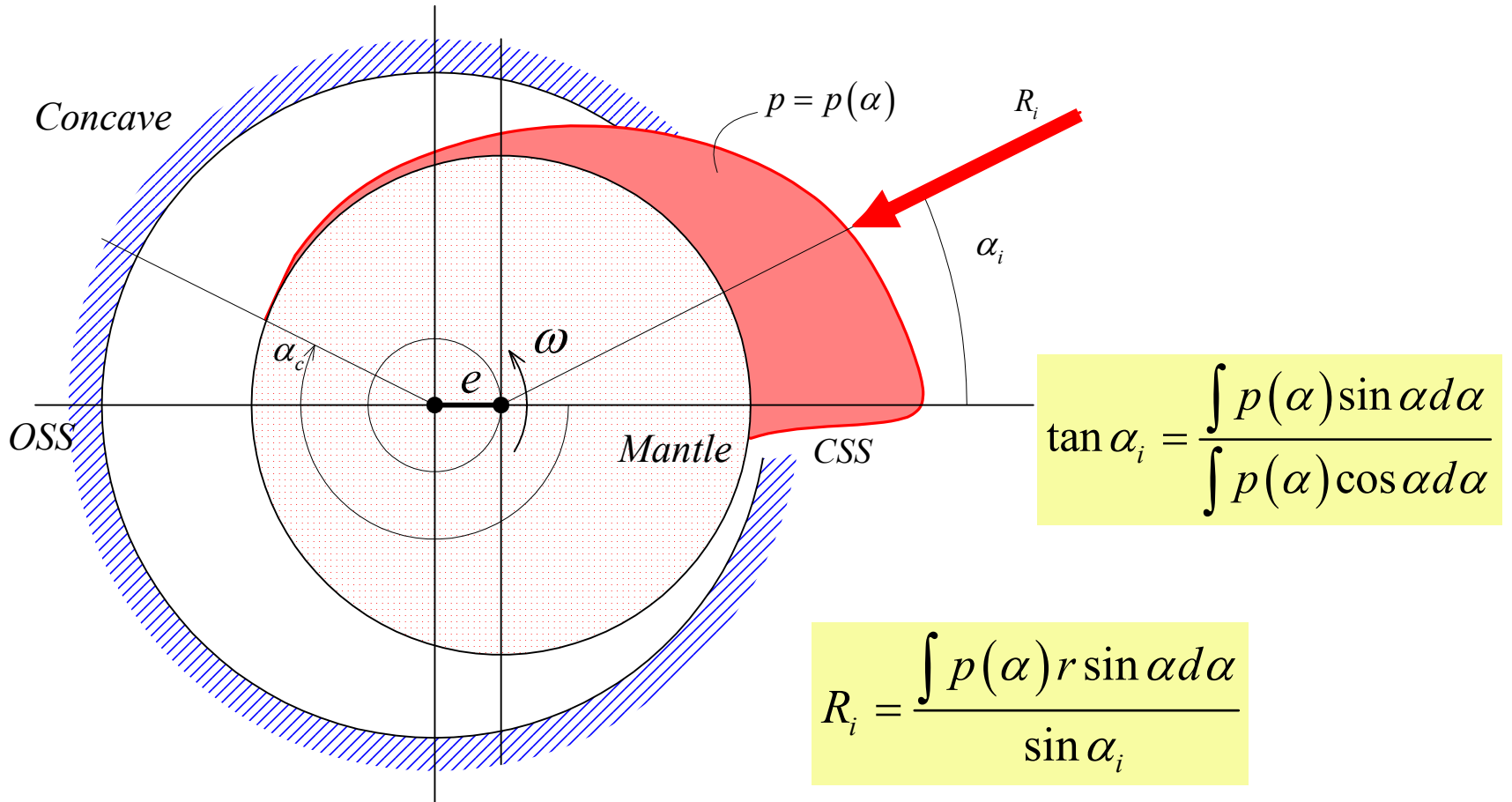
Take home message:

**Single particle
breakage requires
lower crushing
force compared
to interparticle.**

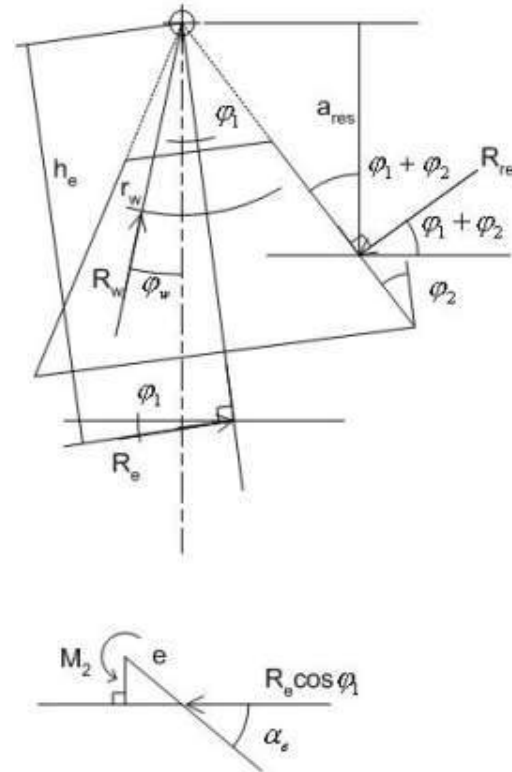
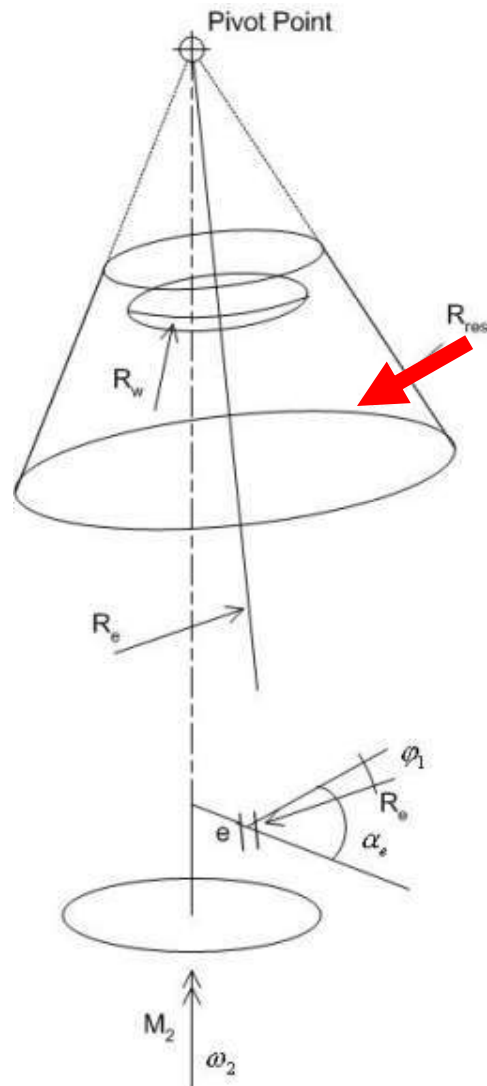
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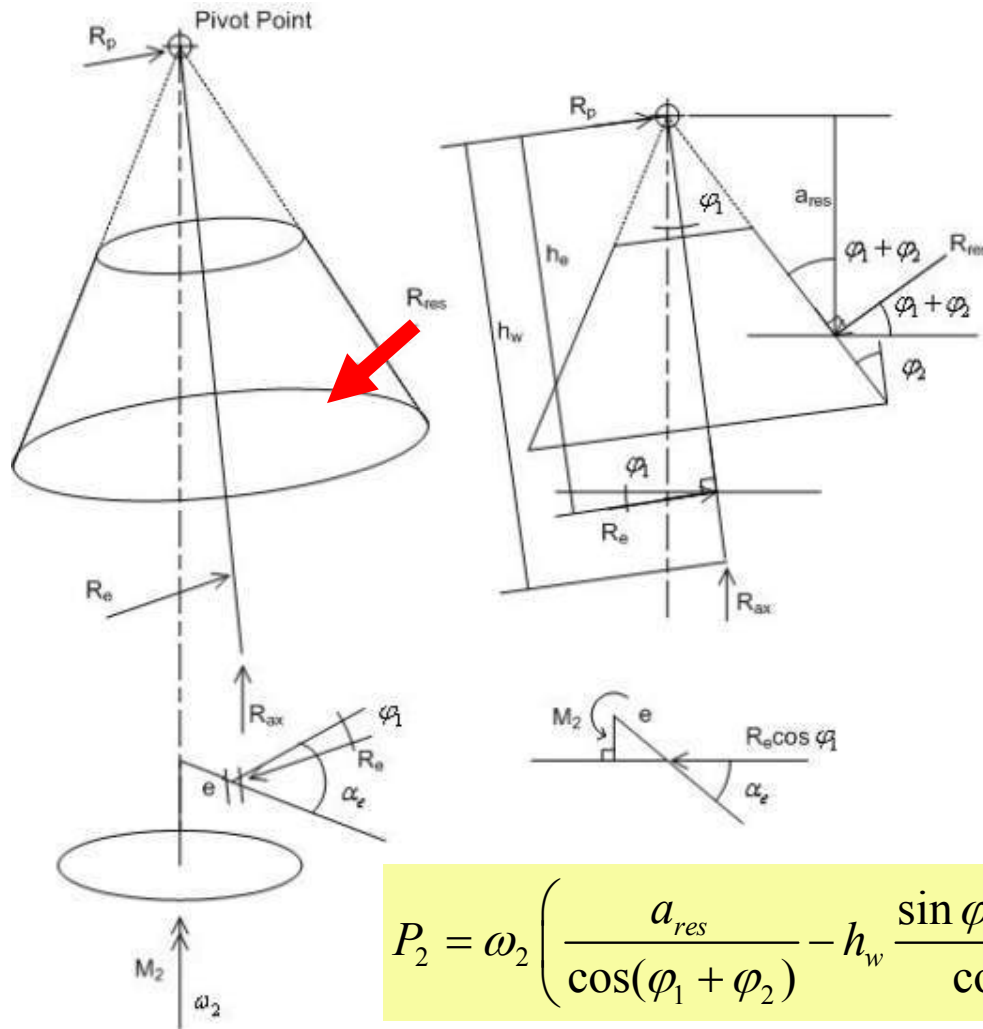
Crushing Pressure and Power Draw



Mechanical
model of
spiderless
cone crusher
SYMONS-type

$$P_2 = \omega_2 \frac{a_{res}}{\cos(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2)} R_{res} \cos \varphi_1 \frac{e}{h_e} \sin \alpha_e$$

Crushing Pressure and Power Draw

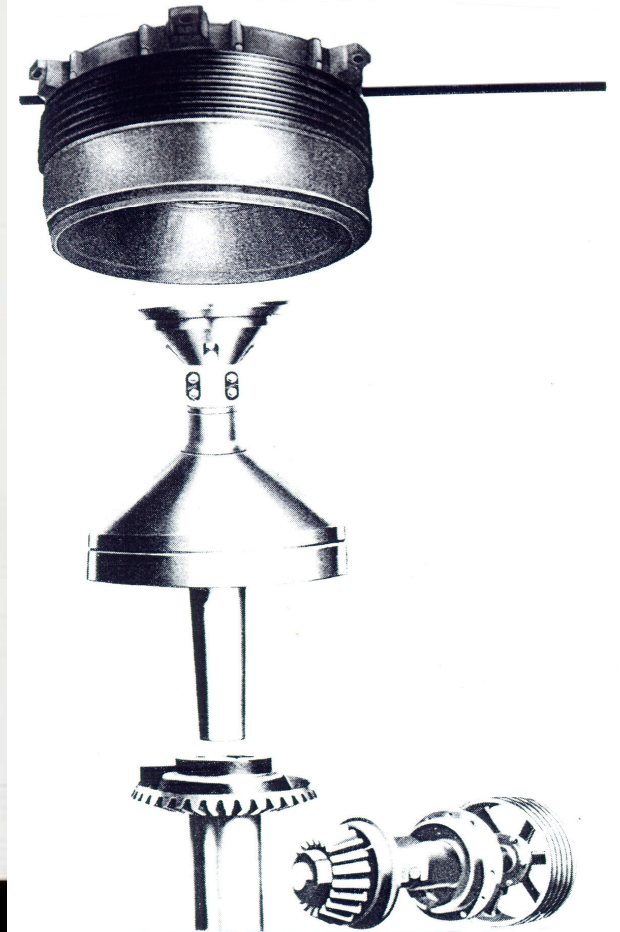
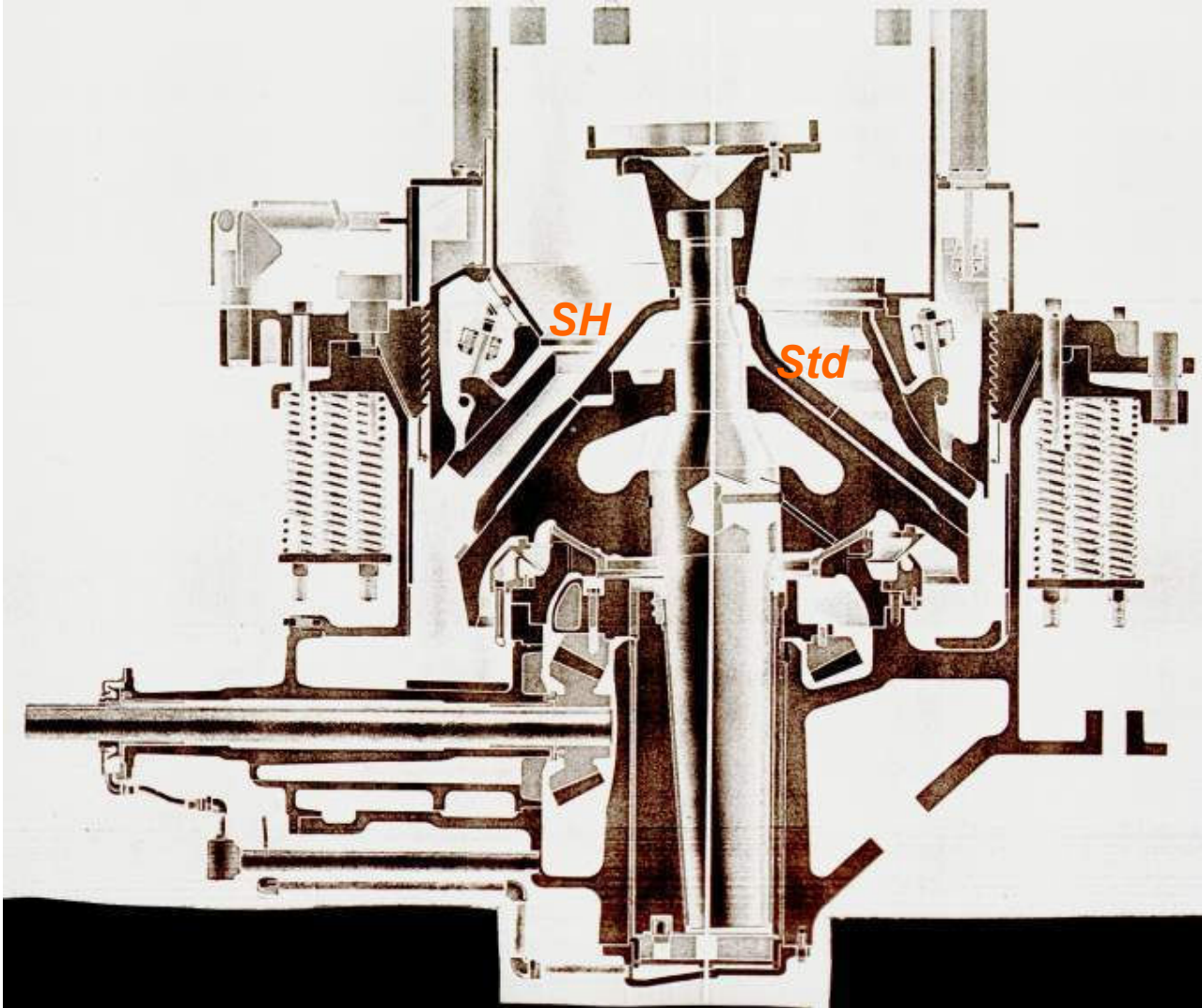


Take home message:

If the crushing angle is small you can experience packing even at low power draw.

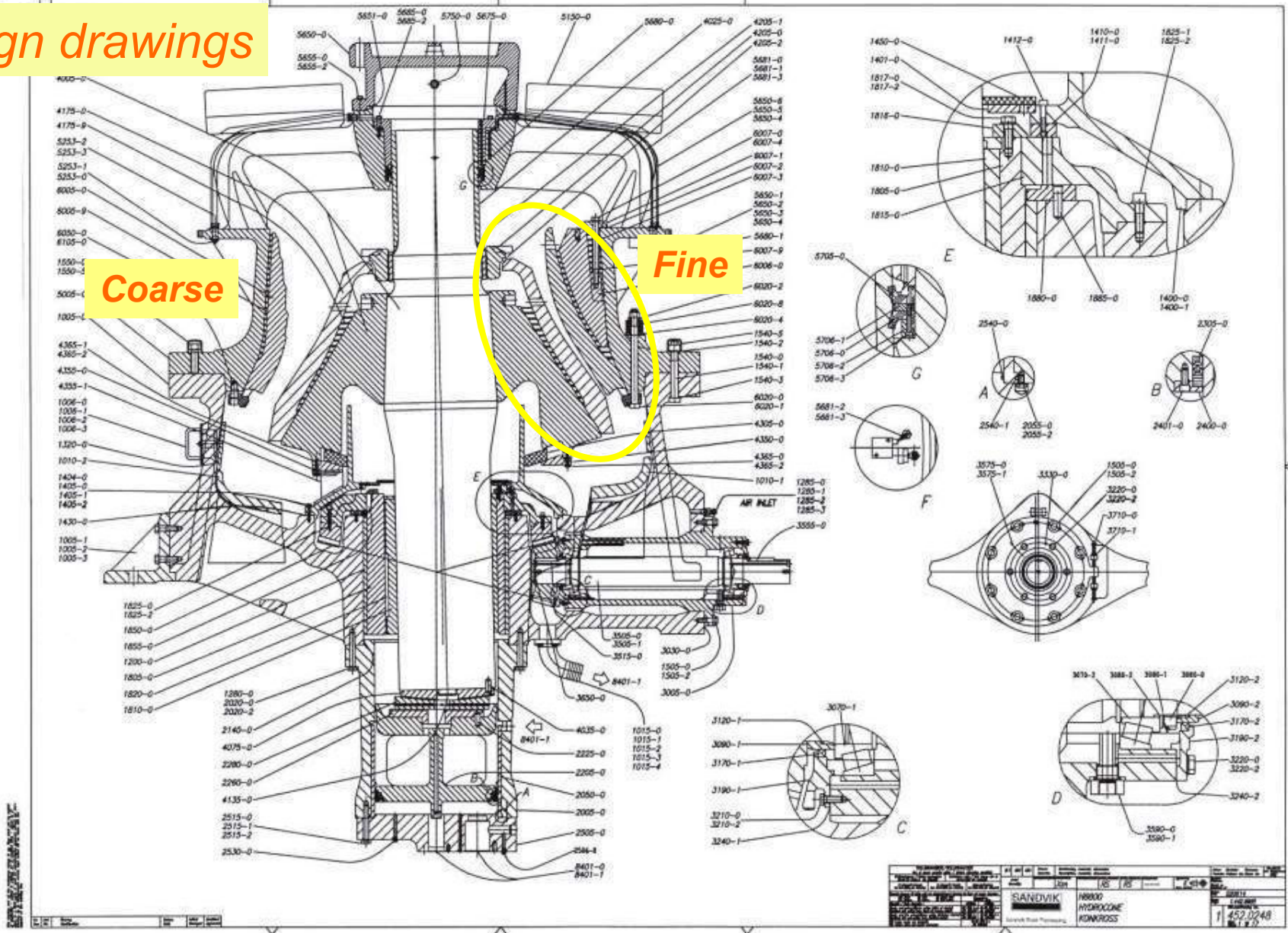
$$P_2 = \omega_2 \left(\frac{a_{res}}{\cos(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2)} - h_w \frac{\sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2}{\cos \varphi_1} \right) R_{res} \cos \varphi_1 \frac{e}{h_e} \sin \alpha_e$$

Geometry

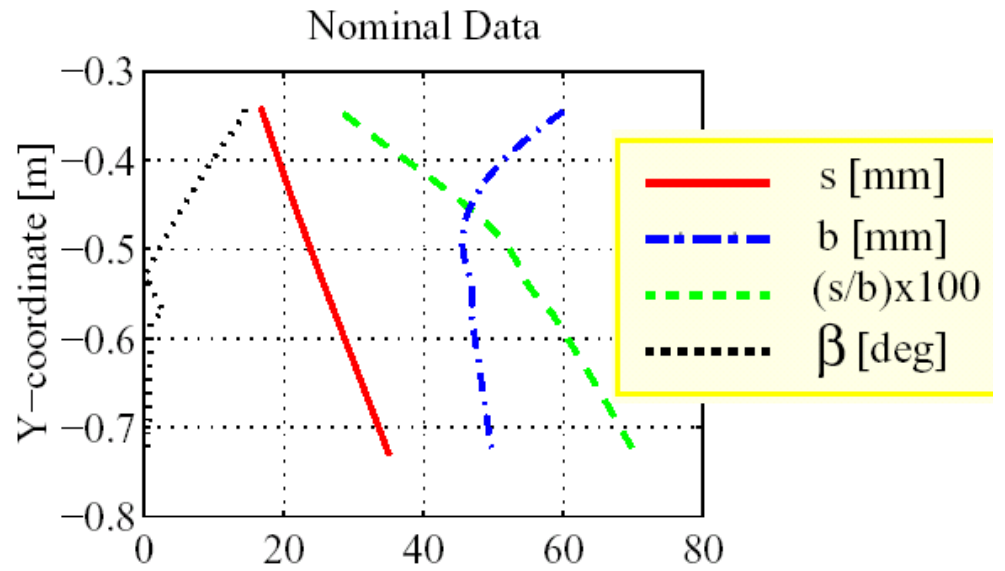
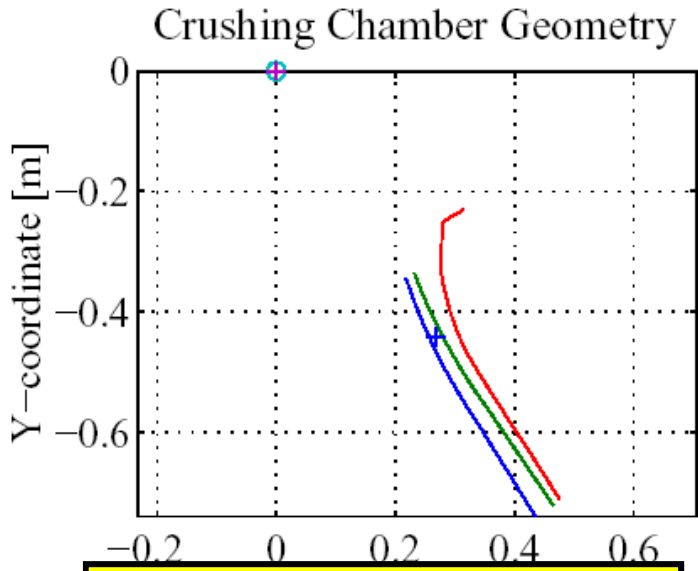


Geometry

Design drawings

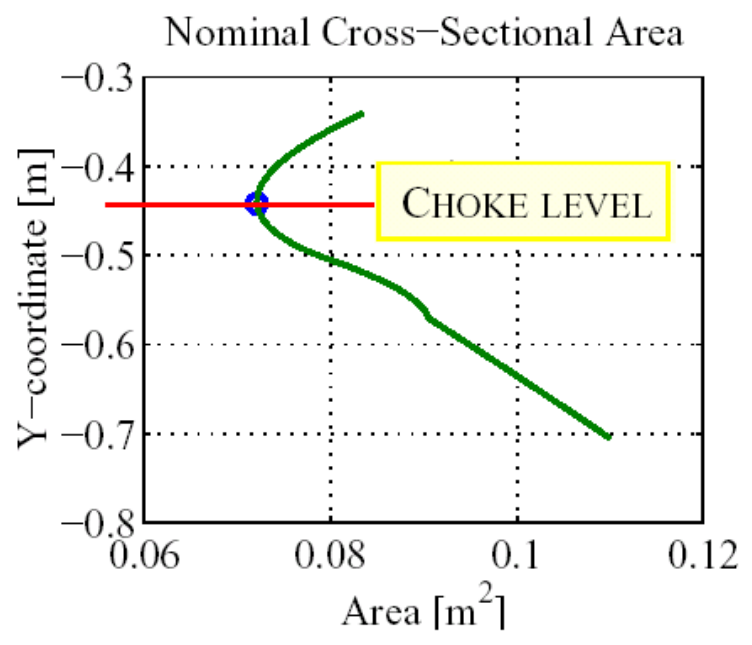


Geometry



Take home message:

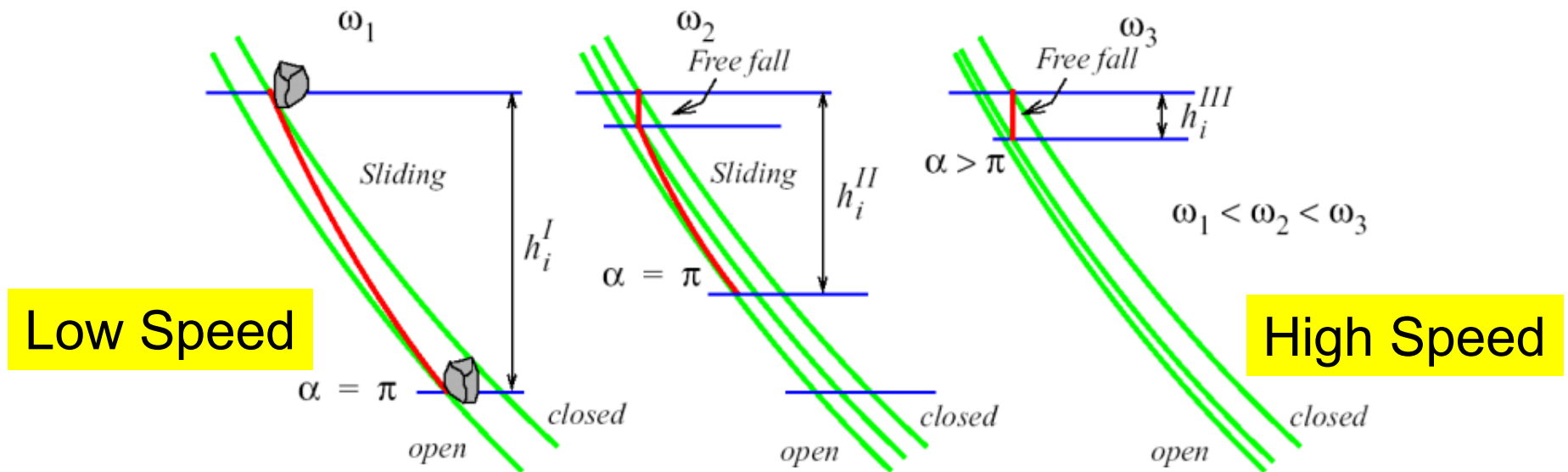
Capacity is controlled by choke area.



Flow model

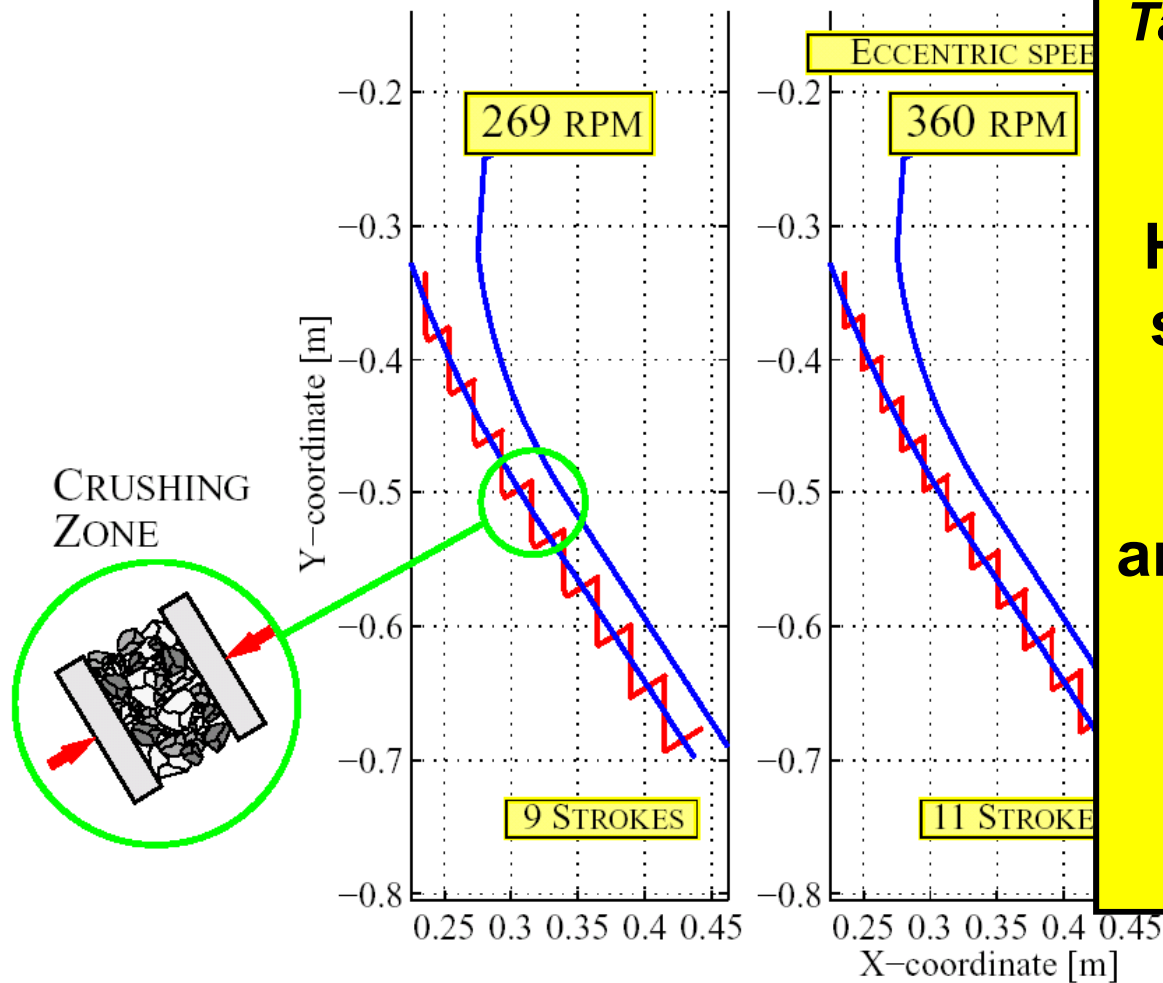
Material flow mechanics

- Sliding
- Free fall
- Squeezing



Flow model

PATH THROUGH CRUSHING CHAMBER

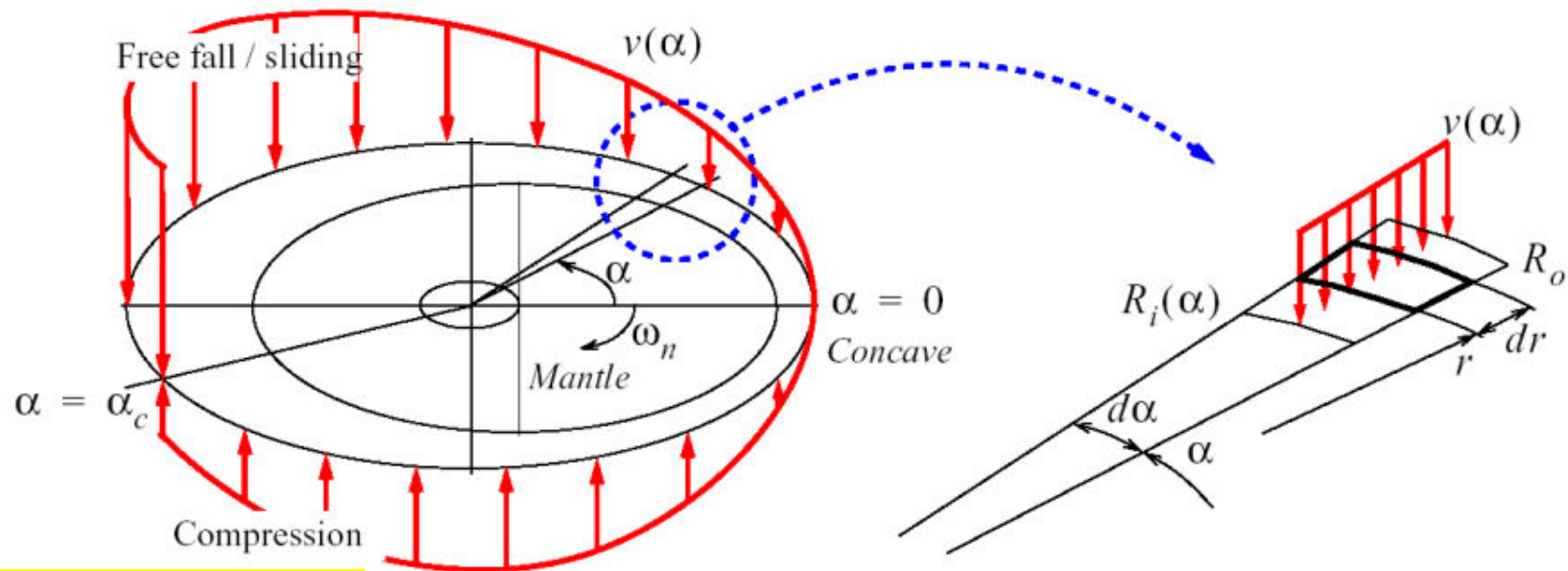


Take home message:

Higher eccentric speed results in more compressions and better particle shape.

Flow model

Capacity is calculated at choke level

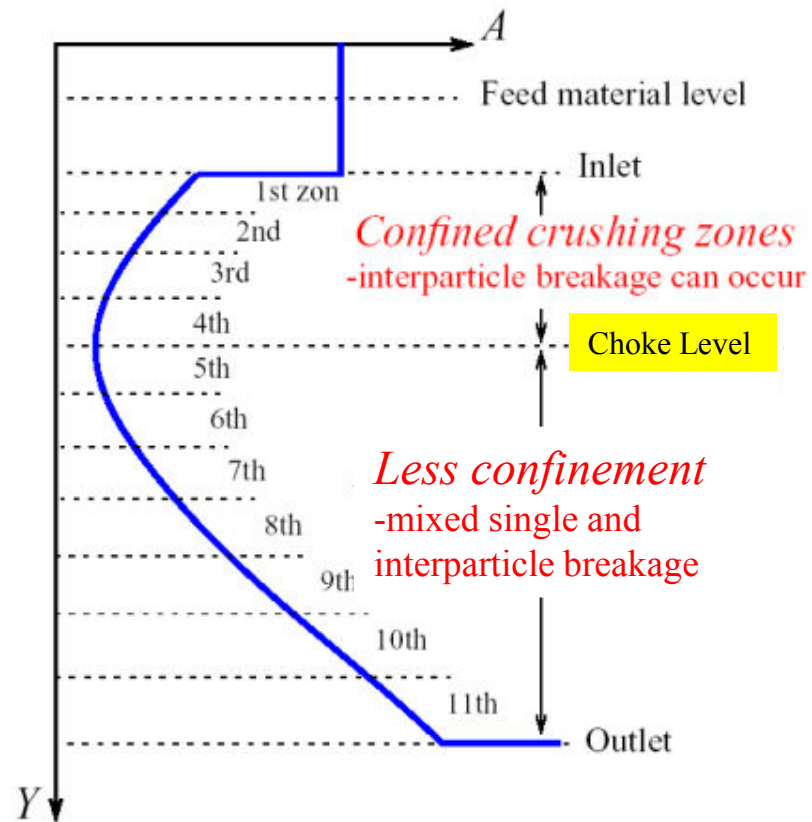


Upward flow !!!

Lost capacity

$$= \int_0^{\alpha_c} \int_{R_i(\alpha)}^{R_o} \rho(\alpha) v(\alpha) r dr d\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\alpha_c} \rho(\alpha) (R_o^2 - R_i^2(\alpha)) v(\alpha) d\alpha$$

Breakage Modes



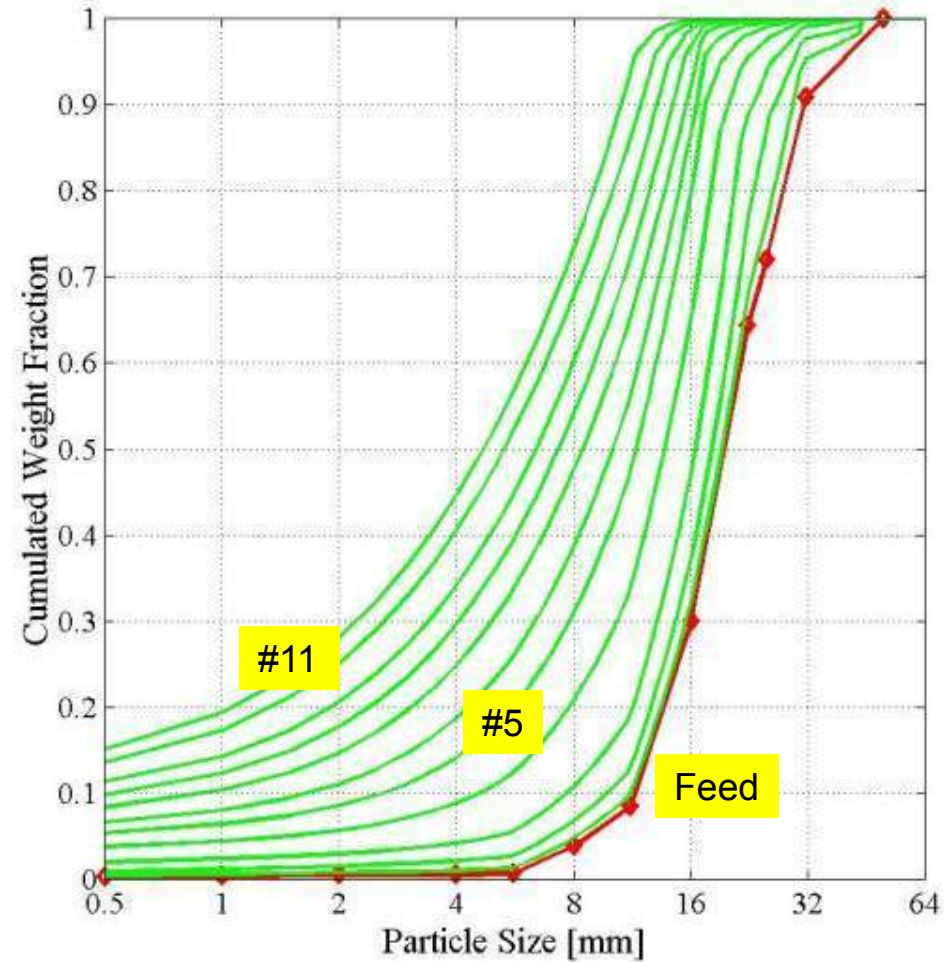
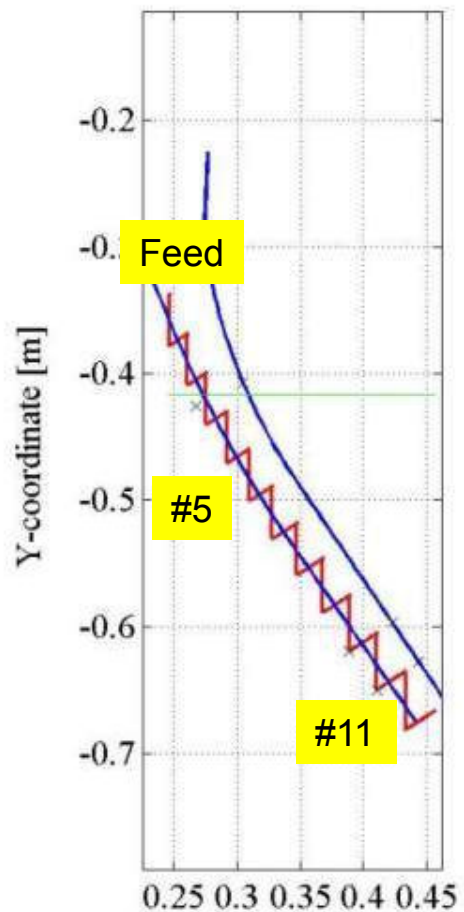
Take home message:

Chamber design affects breakage modes.

Results - Particle size distributions

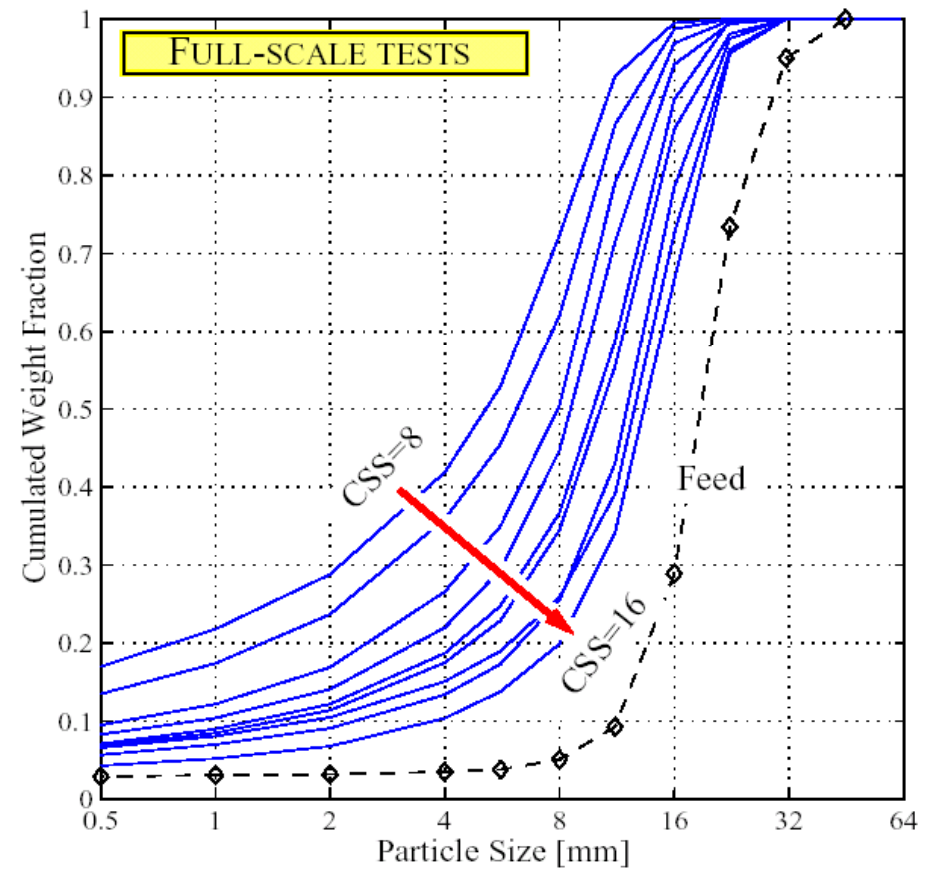
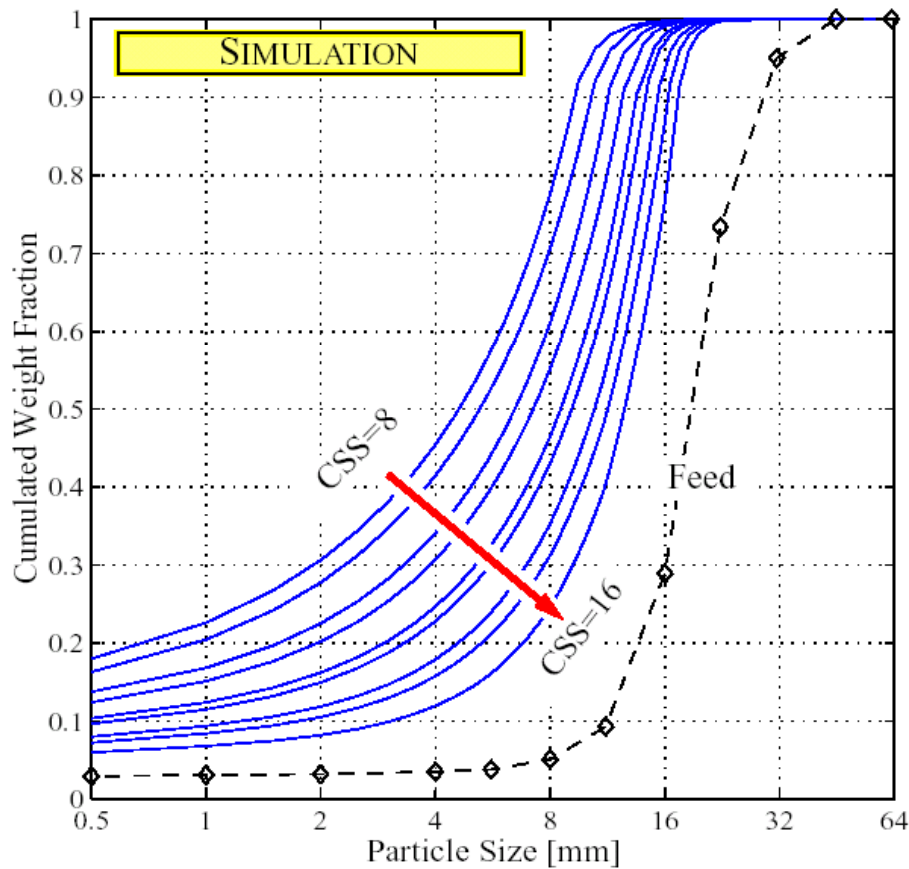
Results from different CSS settings 8-16mm

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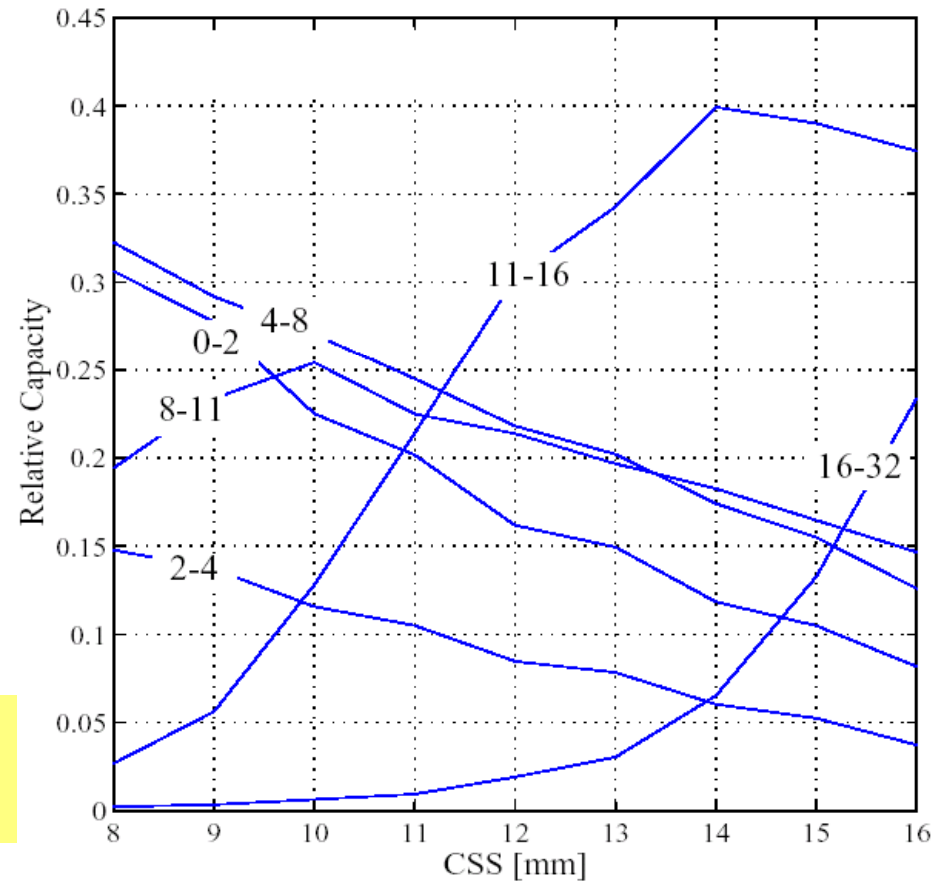
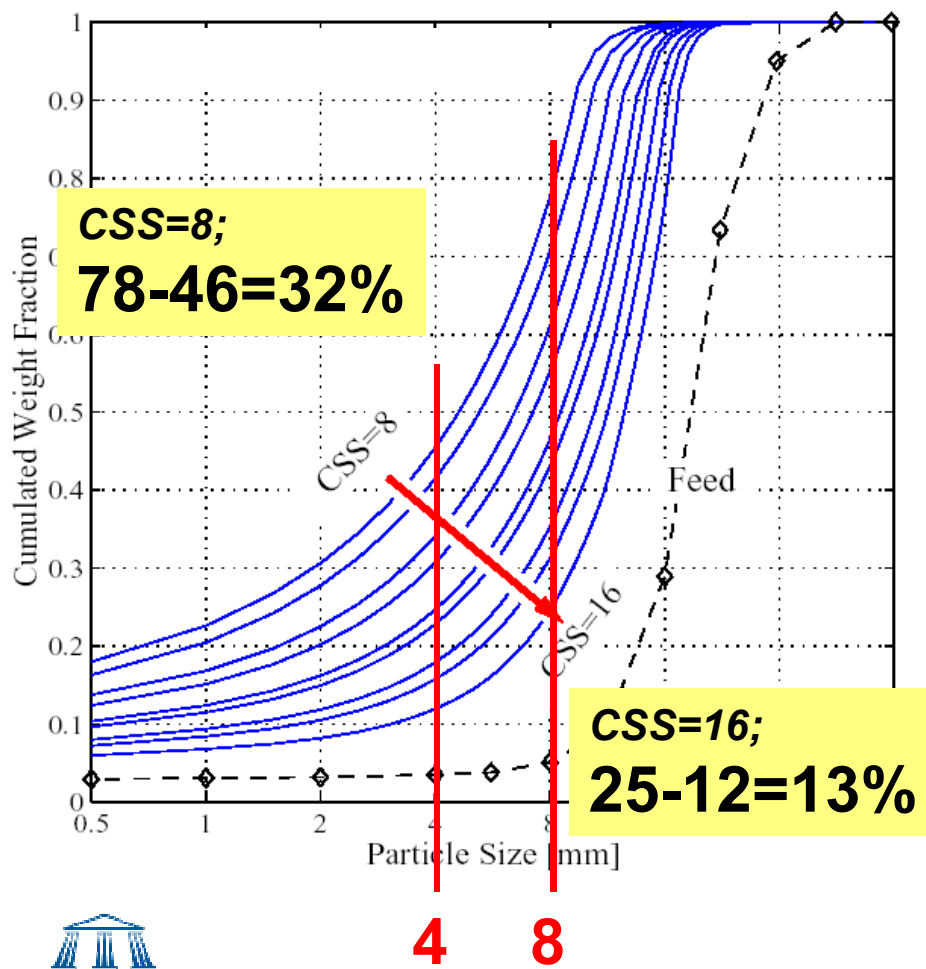


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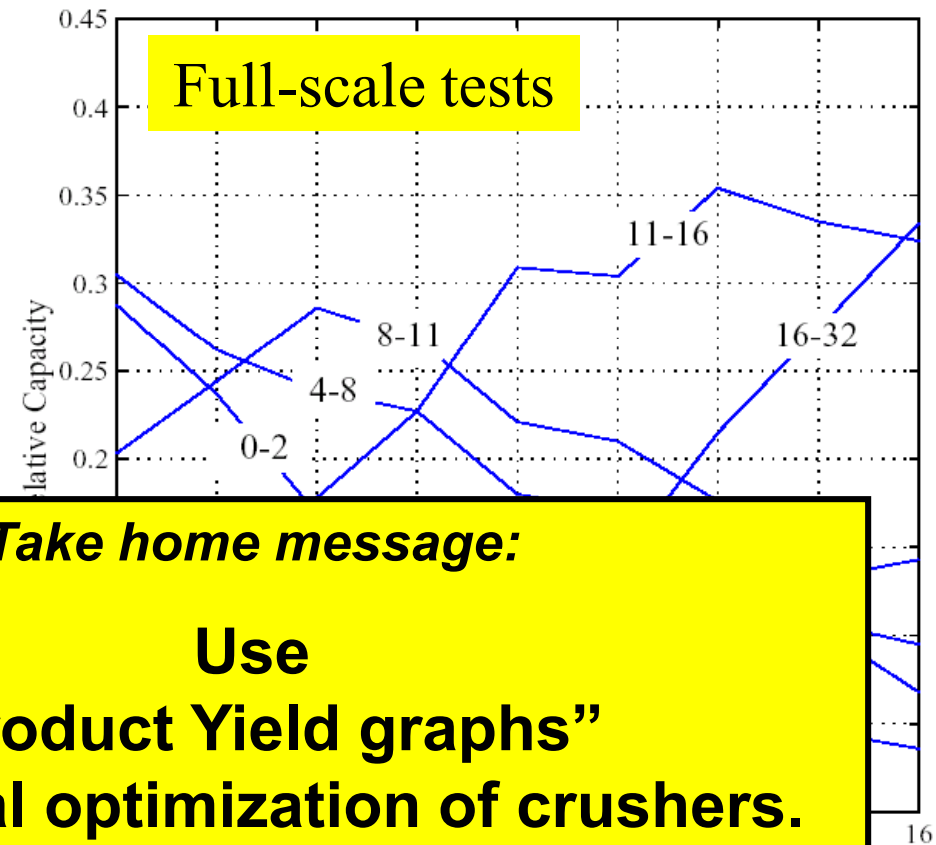
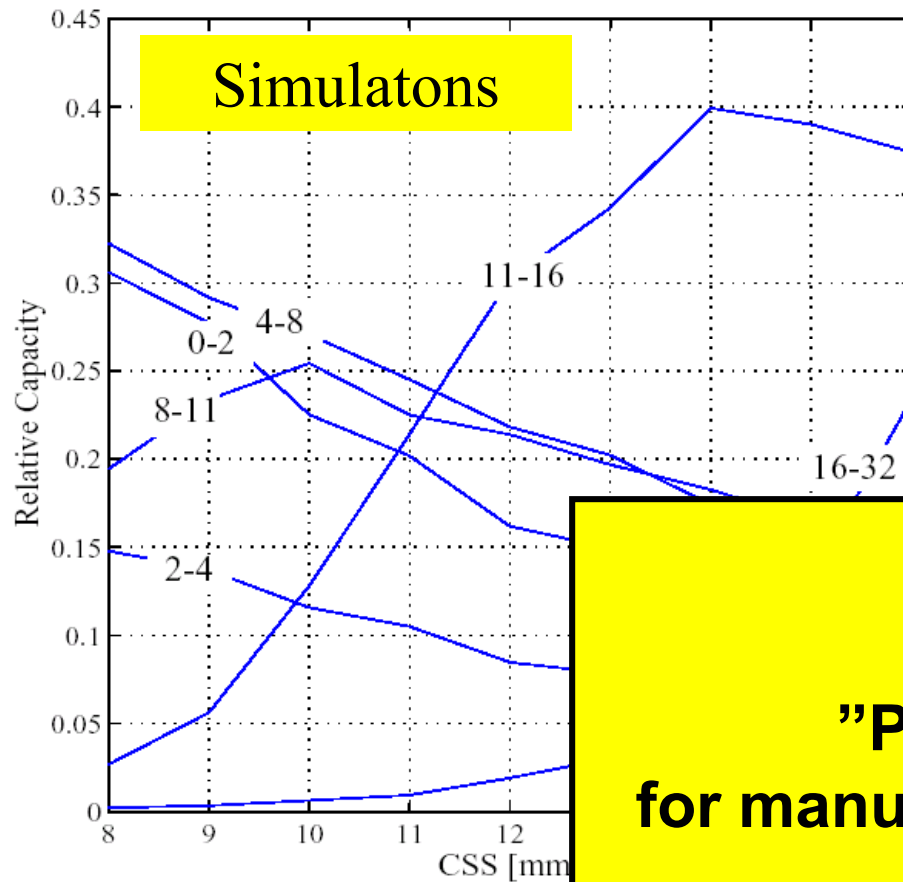
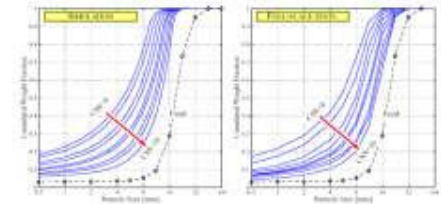
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Product Yield Graphs



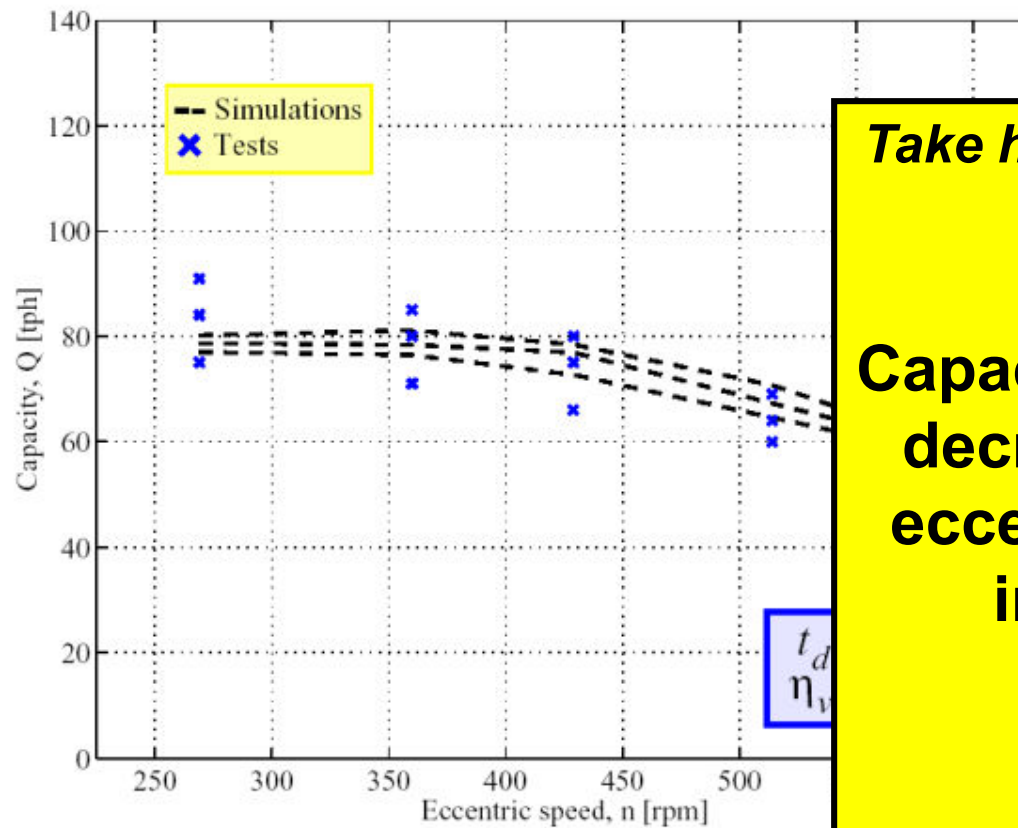
Results – Product Yield



Take home message:
Use
“Product Yield graphs”
for manual optimization of crushers.

Results

CAPACITY



Take home message:

Capacity normally decrease when eccentric speed increase.

Conclusions

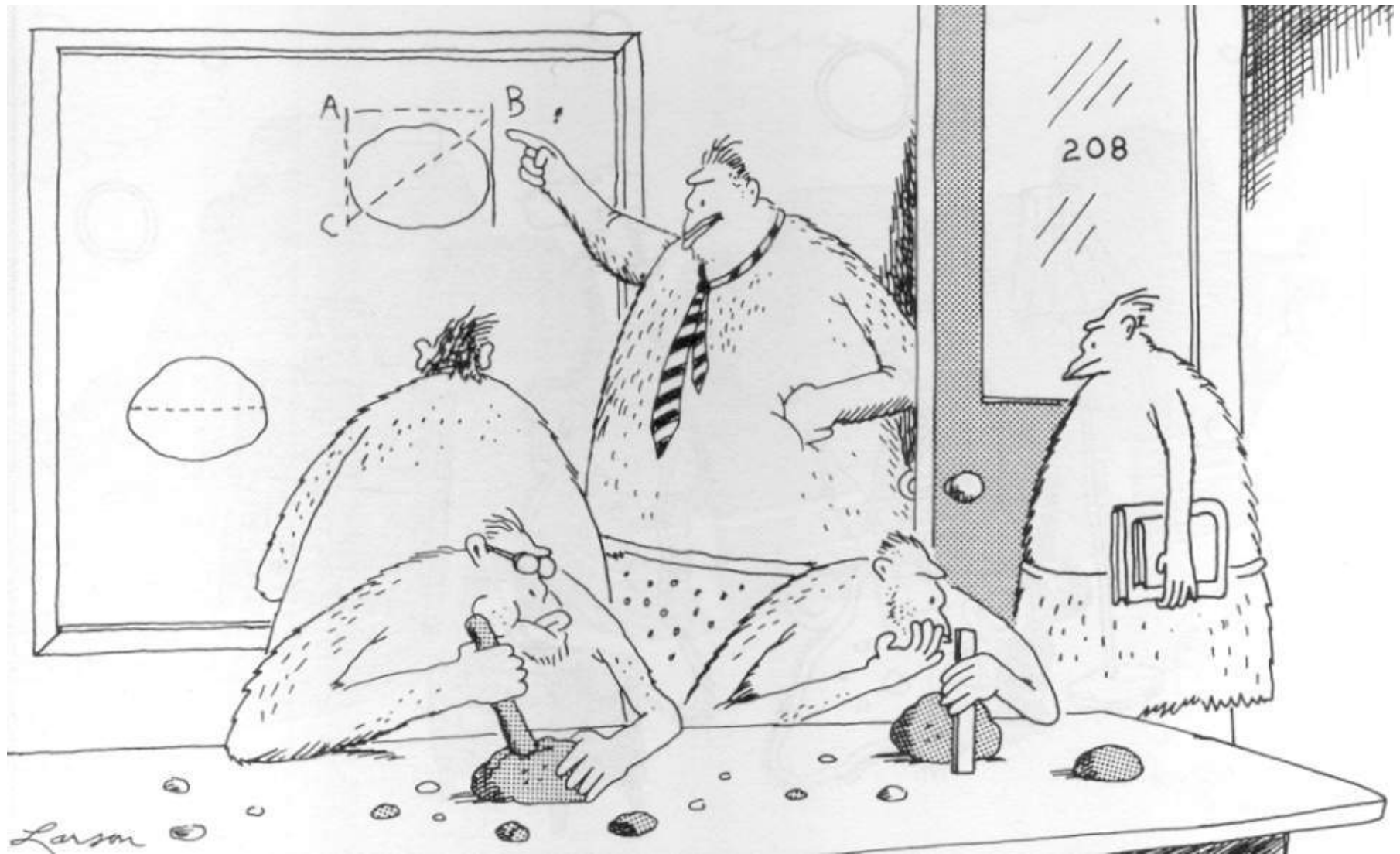
- **Cone crushers are complex machines and can not satisfactory be described by empirical models.**
- **Analytical model for cone crushers:**
 - ✓ General - works for all type of cone crushers
 - ✓ Simulation
 - ✓ Optimization
 - ✓ Trouble shooting

Conclusions

- **Three (3) main factors influencing the final results was identified**
 - ✓ **Breakage modes – single or interparticle**
 - ✓ **The number of crushing zones**
 - ✓ **The compression ratio in each zone**
- **Detailed understanding of the crushing process on a fundamental level**

Take home messages

- It is easier to crush short fractions than long fractions.
- Packing limit is reached earlier with long fractions.
- Longer fractions result in higher crushing pressure and better particle shape.
- Single particle breakage requires lower crushing force compared to interparticle.
- If the crushing angle is small you can experience packing even at low power draw.
- Capacity is controlled by choke area.
- Higher eccentric speed results in more compressions and better particle shape.
- Chamber design affects breakage modes.
- Use "Crusher Performance Maps" for manual optimization of crushers.
- Capacity normally decreases when eccentric speed increases.



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