

Qualitative and Quantitative Characterization of a Jet and Vortex Actuator

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- Conclusions & Outlook



Known & Open Issues

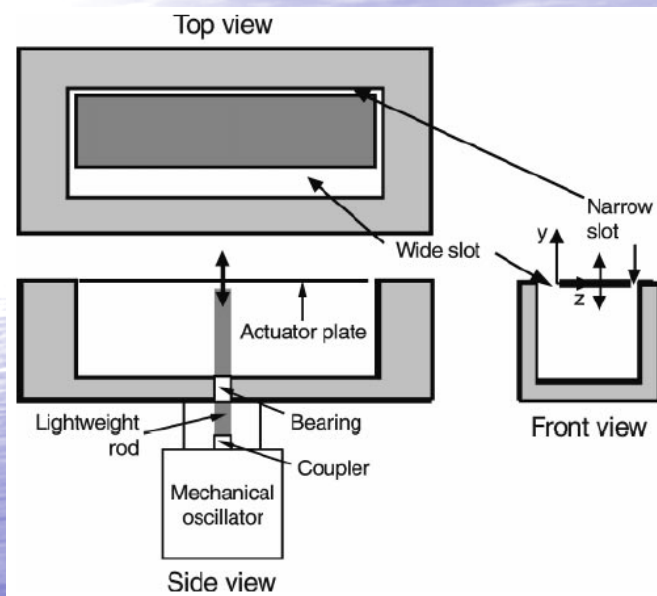
- **Synthetic Jets**
 - Operate over a range of amplitudes and frequencies
 - Don't need any external fluid (zero-net-mass flux system)
 - Add only negligible drag when the system is not actuated
- **JaVA** (Lachowicz *et al.*, Exp. Fluids, 1999)
 - All of the above
 - + Very wide-spread flow-fields in still air (e.g. wall and free jets of different orientation, vortex flow, direct generation of vortices)
 - How does it work?
 - What potential applications ?

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Basic Setup & Parameters

Lachowicz *et al.*, Exp. Fluids, 1999



Governing Parameters

- Non-dimensional governing parameters:
- Actuator amplitude a [mm]
 - Actuator width b [mm]
 - $\pi_1 = Ub/\nu$
 - Actuator frequency f [Hz]
 - $\pi_1 = Re = 2\pi a b f / \nu$
 - Characteristic velocity U [mm/s]
 - $\pi_2 = U/bf$
 - Wide slot spacing w_w [mm]
 - Narrow slot spacing w_n [mm]
 - $\pi_3 = w_n/b$
 - Kinematic viscosity ν [mm²/s]
 - $S_{aU} = 2\pi a f / \nu$
 - $\pi_4 = g_n = w_n/b$
 - $\pi_5 = g_w = w_w/b$

Results of Lachowicz *et al.*, Exp. Fluids, 1999

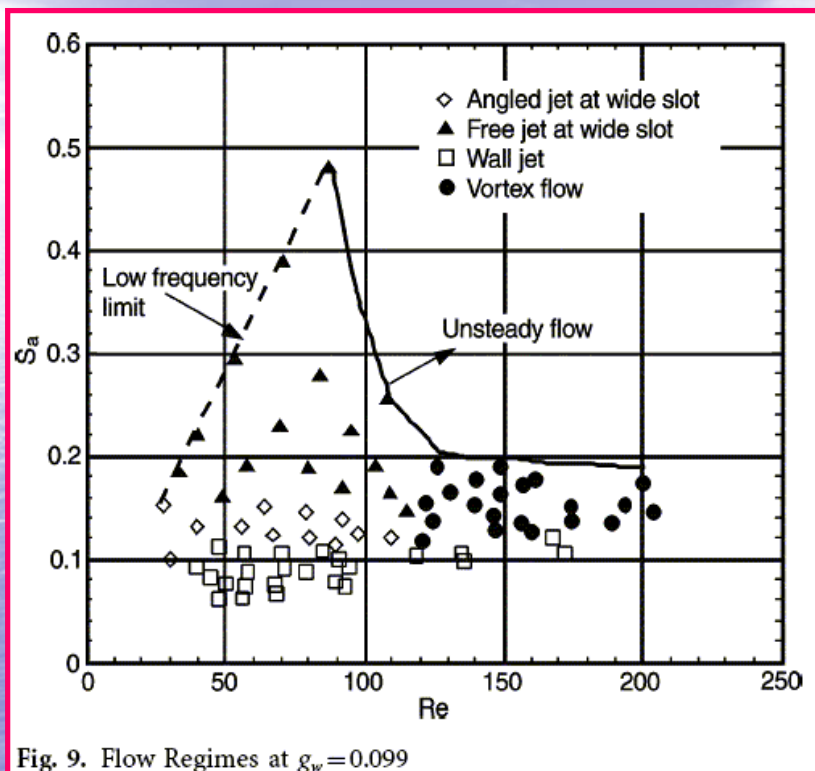


Fig. 9. Flow Regimes at $g_w = 0.099$

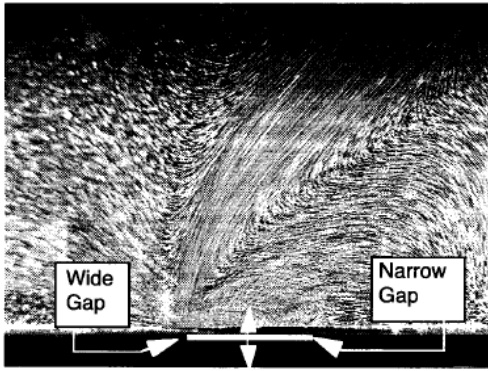


Figure 2. Angled jet at wide gap: $f=70$ Hz, $g_r=3$, $S_a=0.13$, $Re=56$

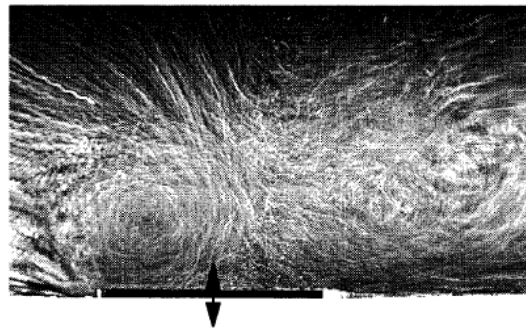


Figure 5. Vortex flow: $f=190$ Hz, $g_r=3$, $S_a=0.13$, $Re=146$

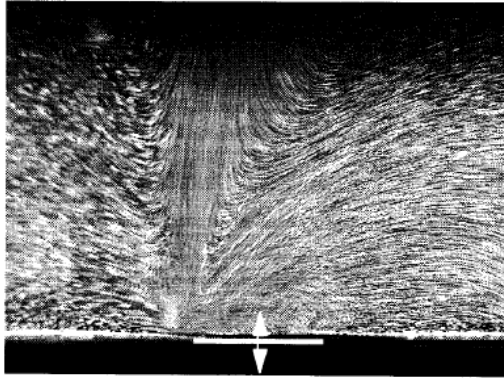


Figure 3. Jet at wide gap: $f=70$ Hz, $g_r=3$, $S_a=0.19$, $Re=80$

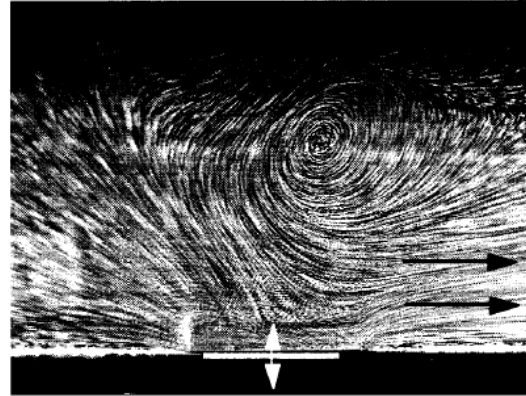
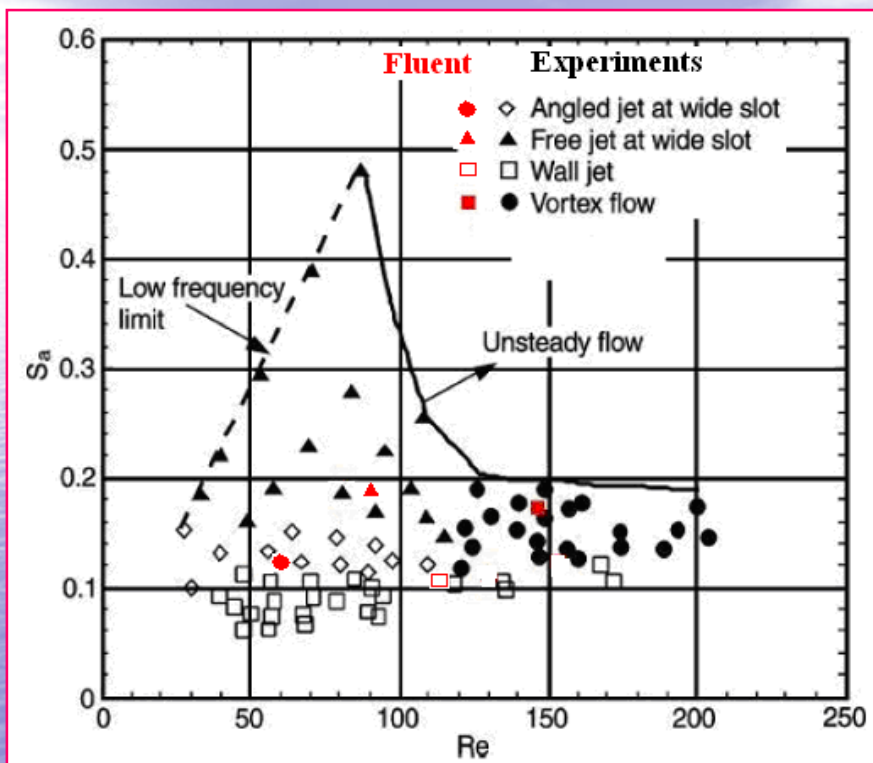
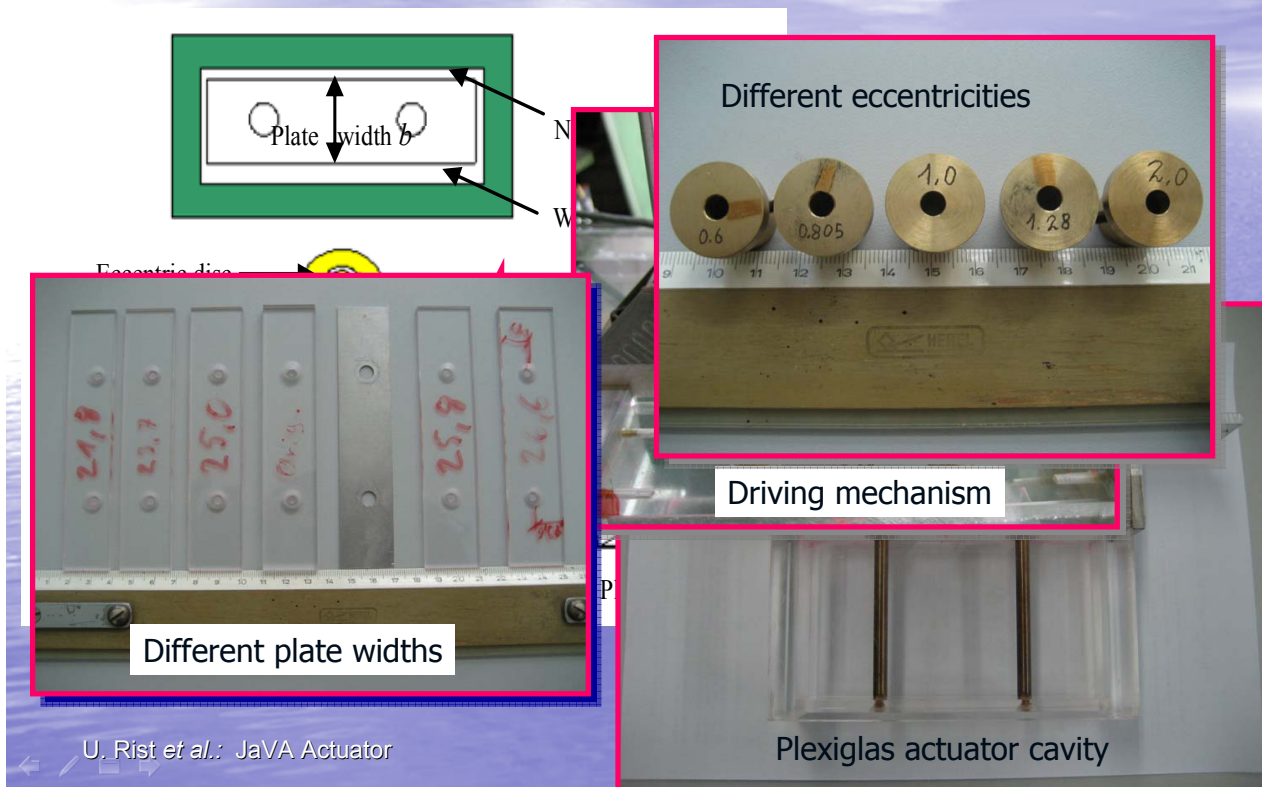


Figure 4. Horizontal flow: $f=210$ Hz, $g_r=3$, $S_a=0.11$, $Re=134$

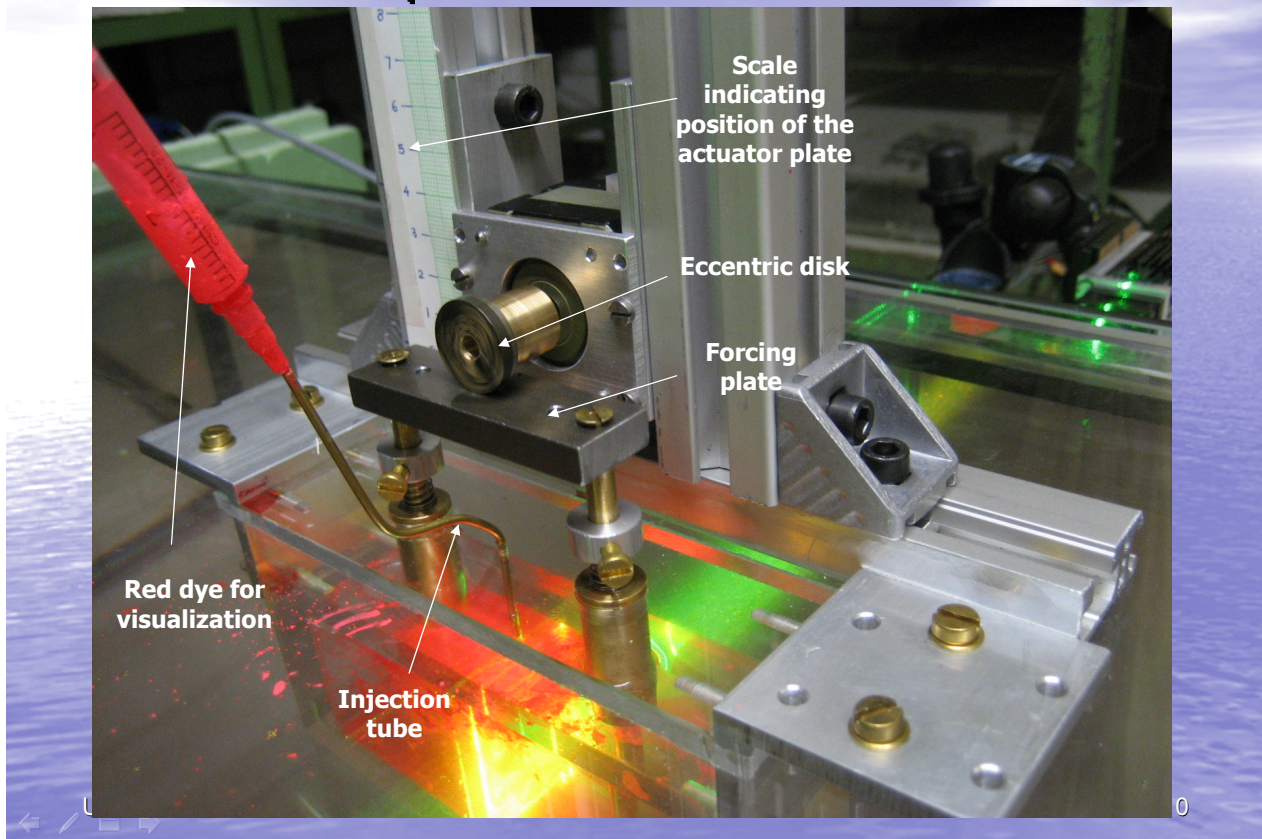
CFD Results of Rashad & Rist



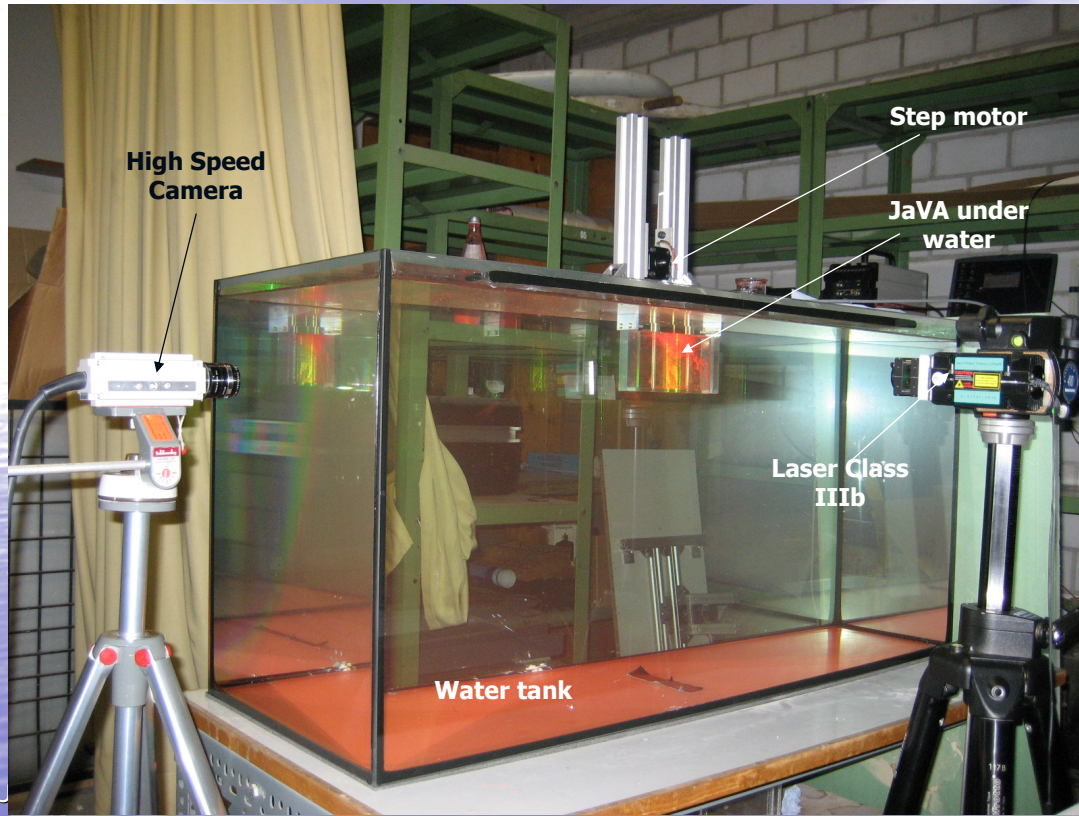
Construction of a JaVA for Experiments in Water



Operation of the JaVA

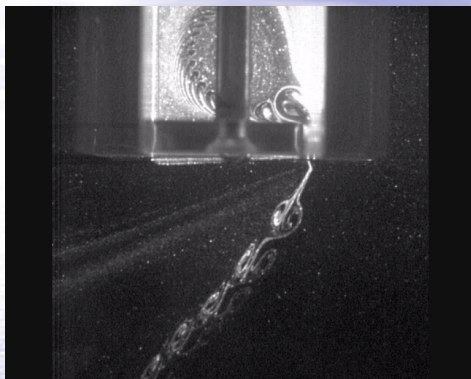


View of Experimental Setup

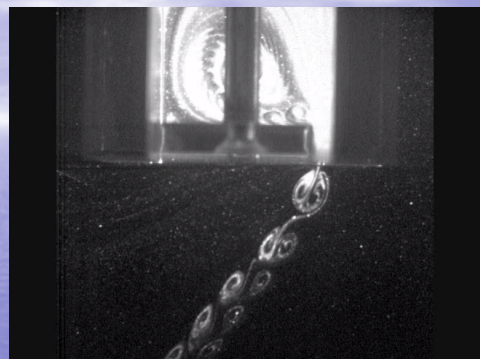


Effect of Reynolds Number

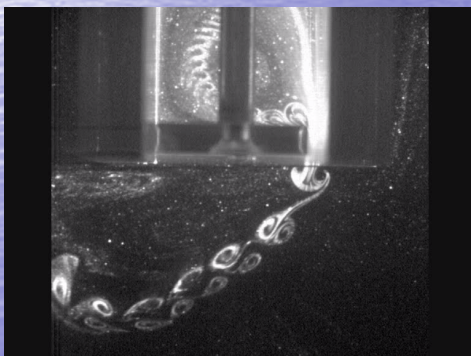
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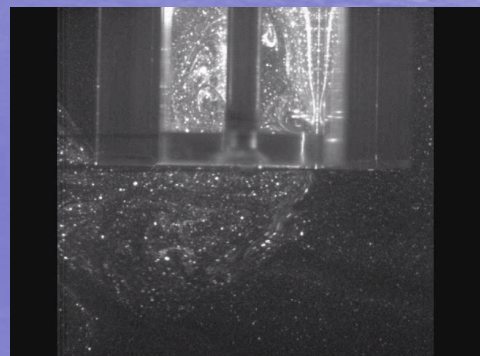
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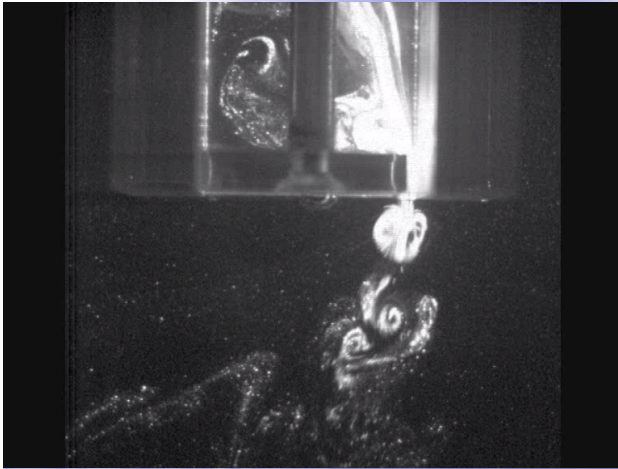
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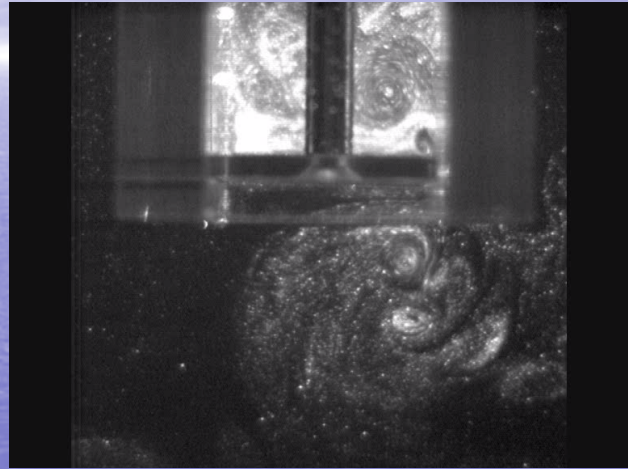
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Typical JaVA-induced Unsteady and Vortex Flows

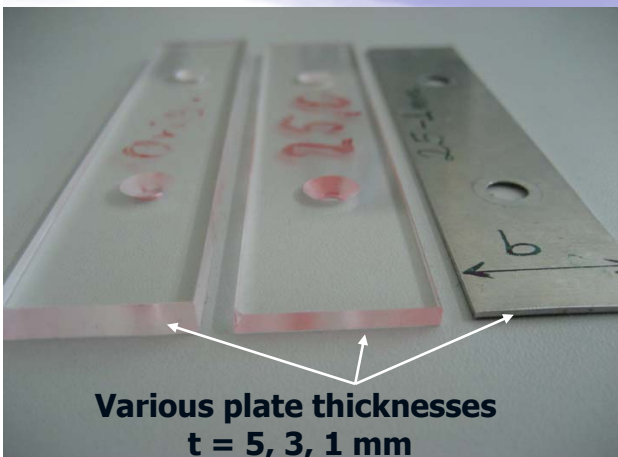


$Re = 402, S_a = 0.32, g_w = 0.1$
($a = 1.28, b = 25, f = 2 \text{ Hz}$)



$Re = 214, S_a = 0.30, g_w = 0.034$
($a = 1.28, b = 26.6, f = 1 \text{ Hz}$)

Influence of Additional Parameters?



Various plate thicknesses
 $t = 5, 3, 1 \text{ mm}$

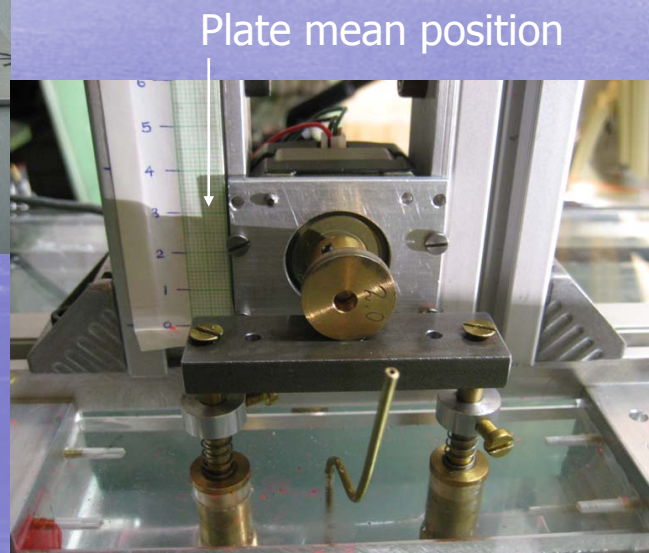
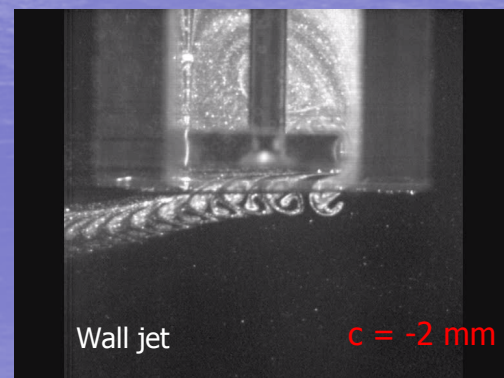
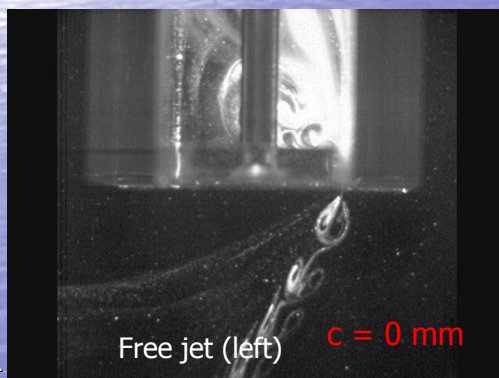
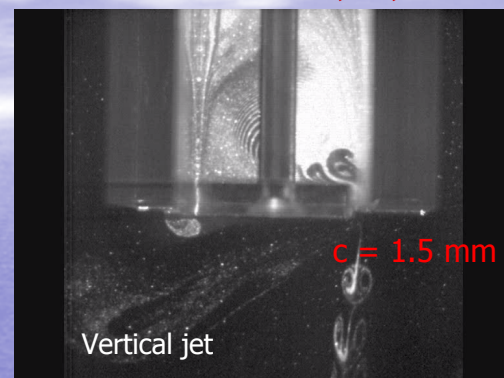
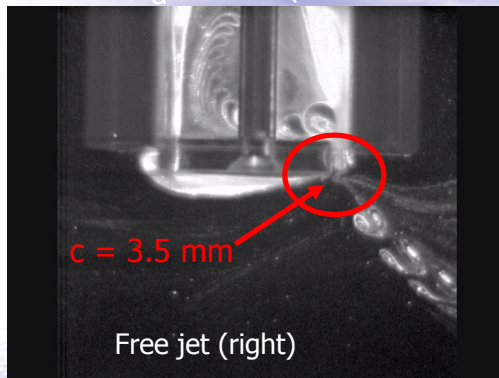


Plate mean position

Effect of Plate Mean Position

Reynolds number, $Re_a = 0.32$ ($a = 1.28$, $b = 25$, $f = 1$ Hz, $c = -2, \dots, 3.5$ mm)



Optical Flow Concept

Brightness change constraint. A common assumption on optical flow is that the image brightness $g(\mathbf{x}, t)$ at a point $\mathbf{x} = [x, y]^T$ at time t should only change because of motion. Thus, the total time derivative,

$$\frac{dg}{dt} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \quad (10.1)$$

needs to equal zero. With the definitions $f_1 = dx/dt$ and $f_2 = dy/dt$, this directly yields the well-known *motion constraint equation* or *brightness change constraint equation*, BCCE [6]:

$$(\nabla g)^T \mathbf{f} + g_t = 0 \quad (10.2)$$

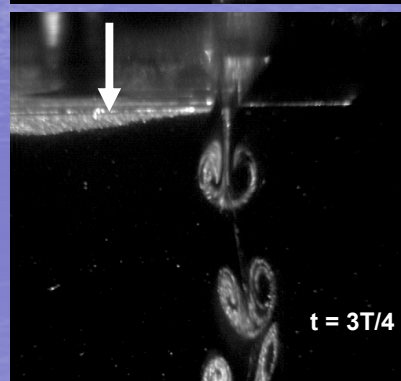
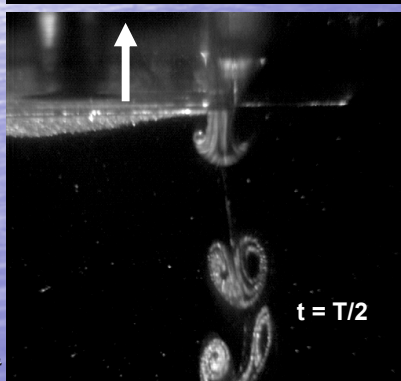
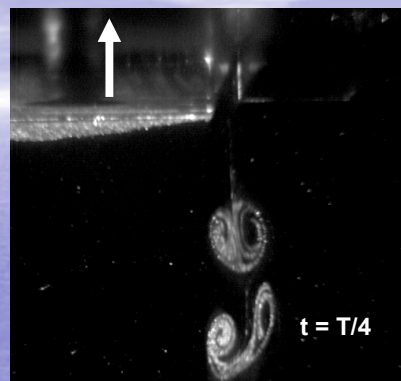
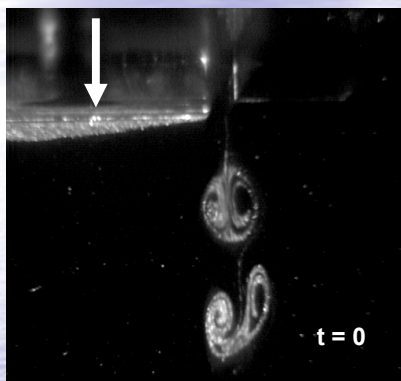
where $\mathbf{f} = [f_1, f_2]^T$ is the optical flow, ∇g defines the spatial gradient, and g_t denotes the partial time derivative $\partial g / \partial t$.

Optical Flow Concept

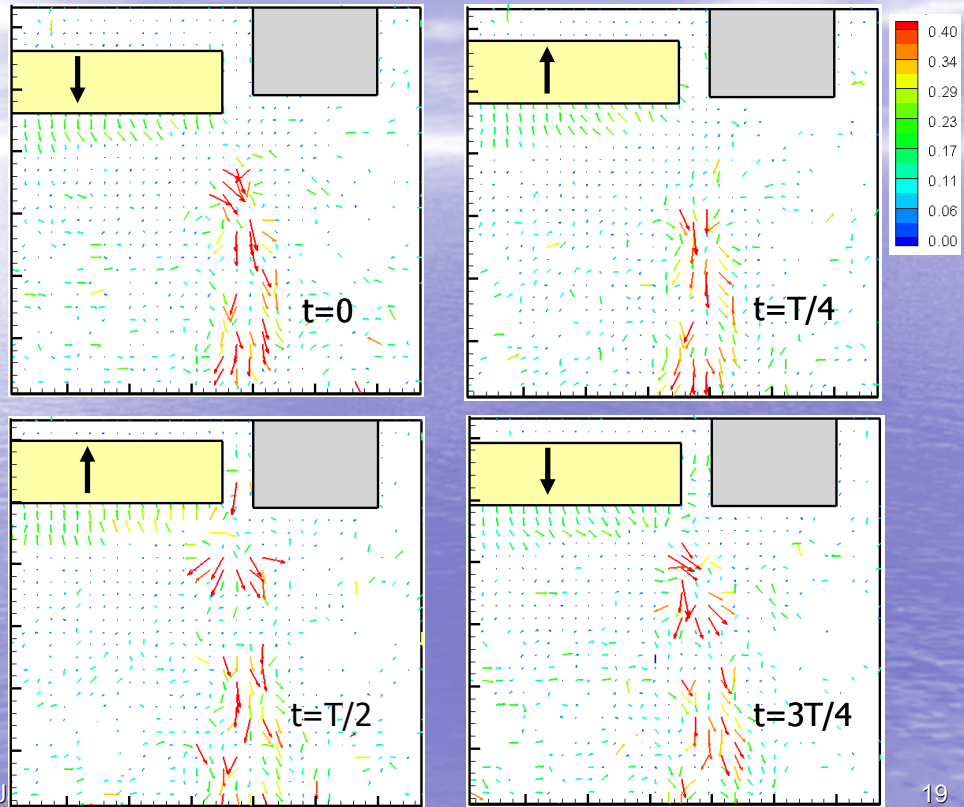
- Cannot be solved for a single point in the image, so some constraints are to be applied
- Assume that in a small neighborhood the velocity (optical flow) is constant
- Combining the pixels in the neighborhood we obtain an over determined system of equations
- Solve for $v_x = f_1$ and $v_y = f_2$ with the pseudo-inverse (based on least squares) method

Series of Snapshots from Movie

201, $S_a=0.32$ ($a=1.28$ mm, $b=25$ mm, $f=1$ Hz, $c=2$ mm)

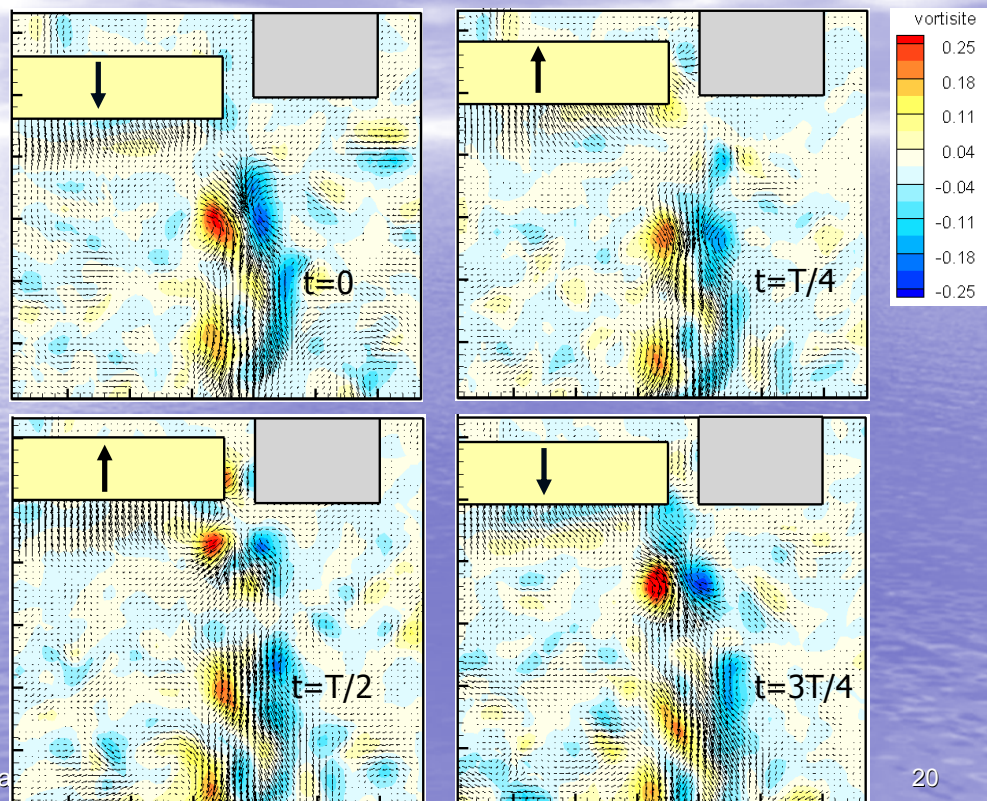


Extracted Flow Field



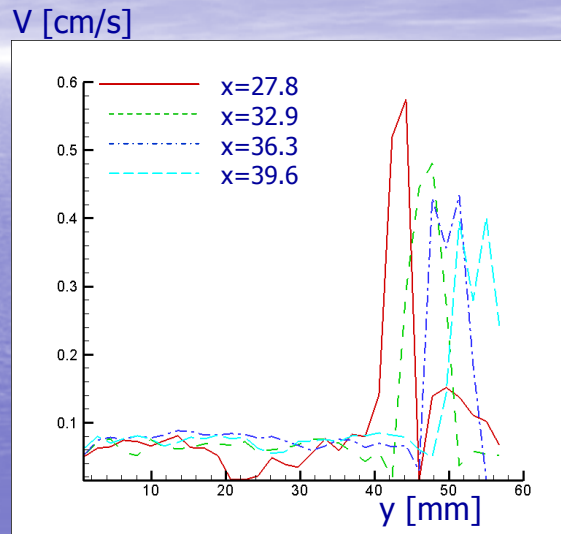
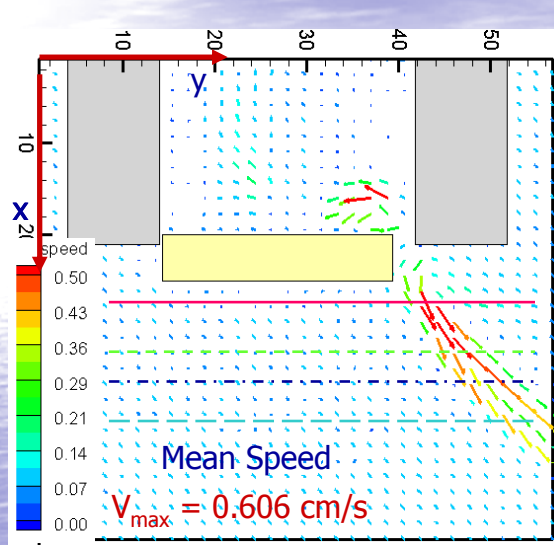
Instantaneous Vorticity Field

Resolution Enhancement and Smoothing of Optical Flow via [Kriging](#)



Averaged Flow Fields (1)

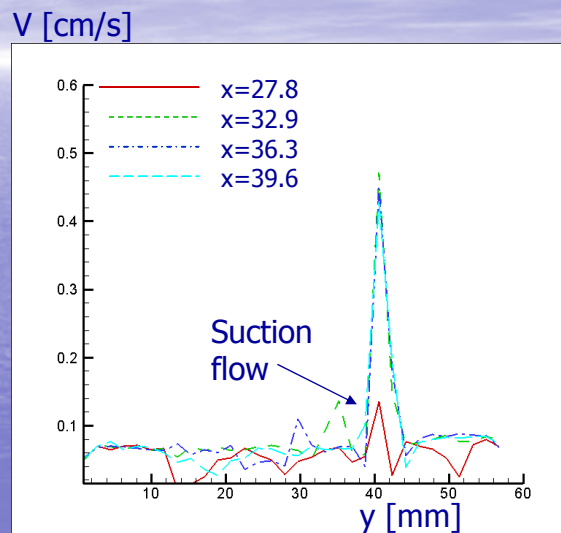
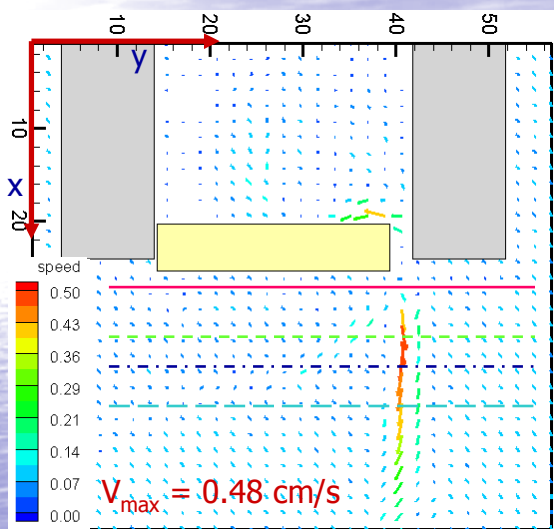
$Re = 201, S_a = 0.32$ (a=1.28 mm / b=25 mm / f=1Hz / 3.5 mm)



Angled Jet to the Right

Averaged Flow Fields (2)

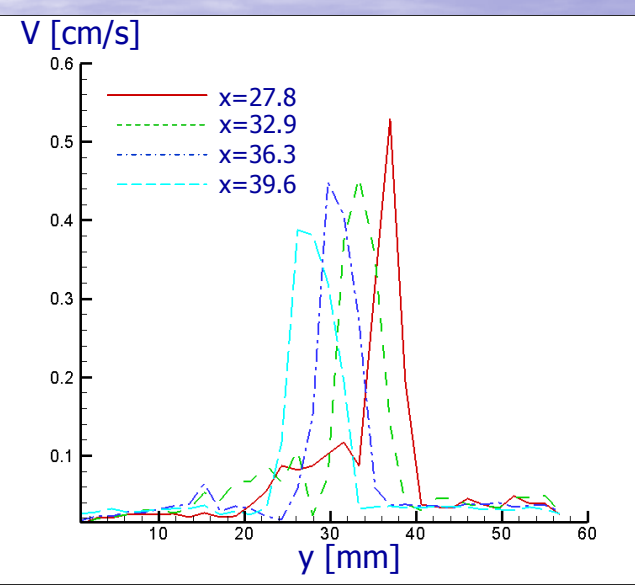
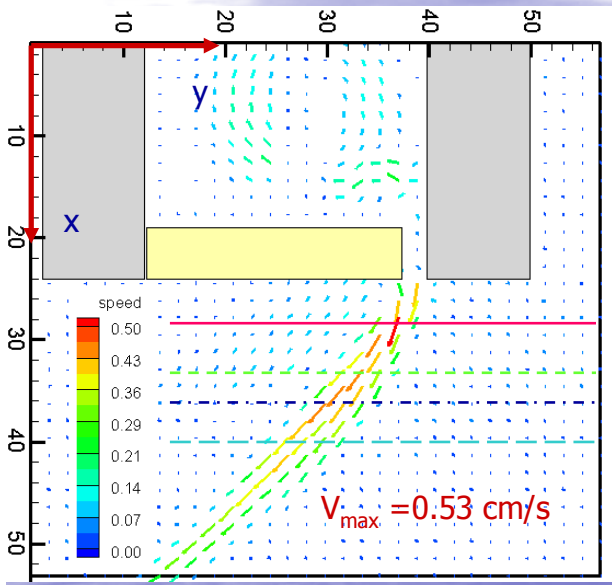
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Free Vertical Jet

Averaged Flow Fields (3)

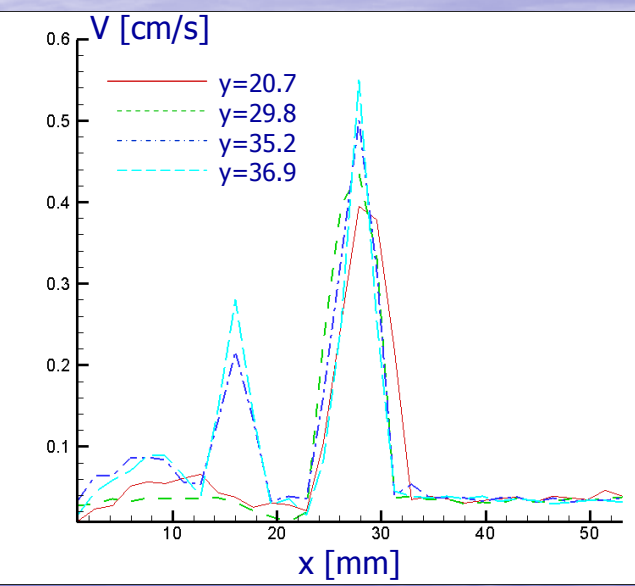
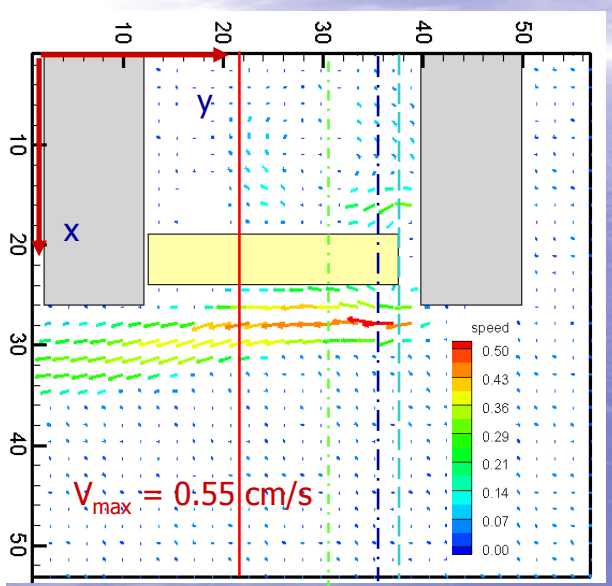
Re = 201, $S_a=0.32$ (a=1.28 mm / b=25 mm / f=1Hz / 0mm)



Angled Jet to the Left

Averaged Flow Fields (4)

Re = 201, $S_a=0.32$ (a=1.28 mm / b=25 mm / f=1Hz / -2 mm)



Wall Jet

Conclusions & Outlook

- Results of Lachowicz *et al.* repeated
- Parameters not documented by Lachowicz *et al.* are of influence
- Jet flows in various directions can be obtained by changing the mean position of the actuator plate
- Accurate quantitative data can be extracted via optical flow
- The typical JaVA-induced flows are also obtained via CFD simulations which give detailed information in the close proximity of the gaps
- Kriging and constraint interpolation techniques can be used for reconstruction, smoothing and enhancement of optical flow & PIV data
- Three-dimensional effects are confined to the ends of the JaVA for most flow types
- Preliminary results of JaVA mounted in a boundary layer look very promising