

Problem No.8

Rippled water columns

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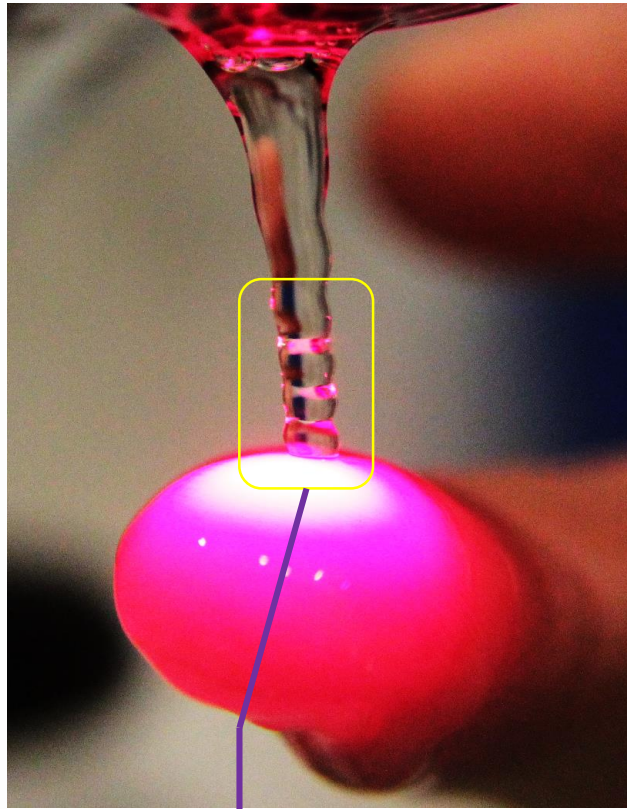
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When a vertical water jet hits a surface, ripples may appear. If **certain conditions** are met, the ripple **structure** is pronounced, **steady** and very reproducible. Describe the phenomenon. What **properties of the fluid and the flow** can be deduced **from the observations**?



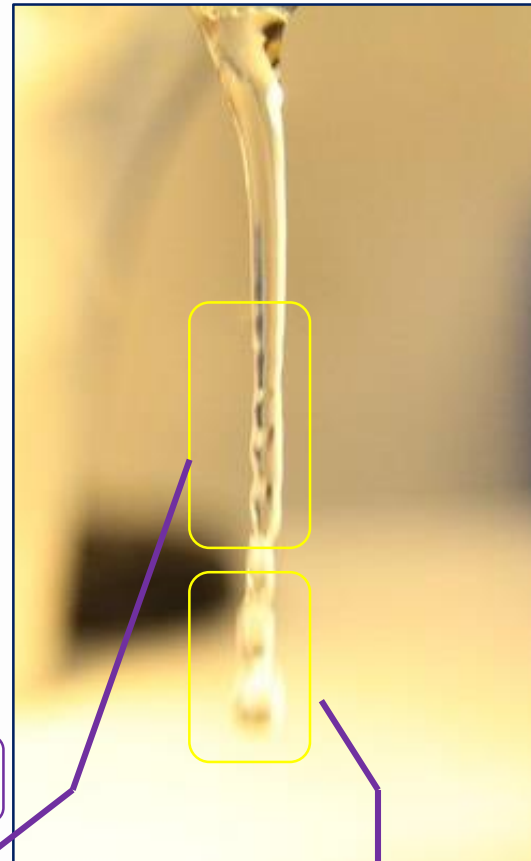
Identification of the investigation area



Investigated ripple structure

Capillary waves?

First observations:



Plateau-Rayleigh instability

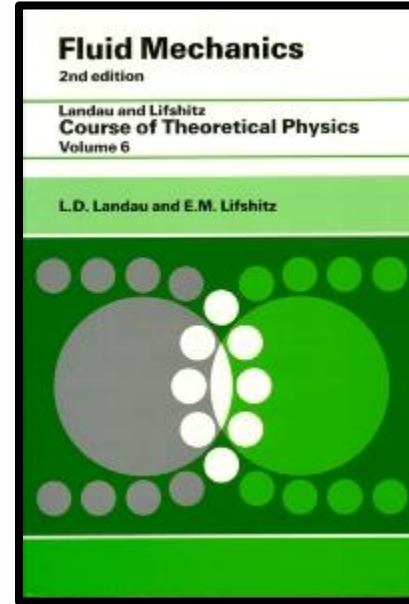
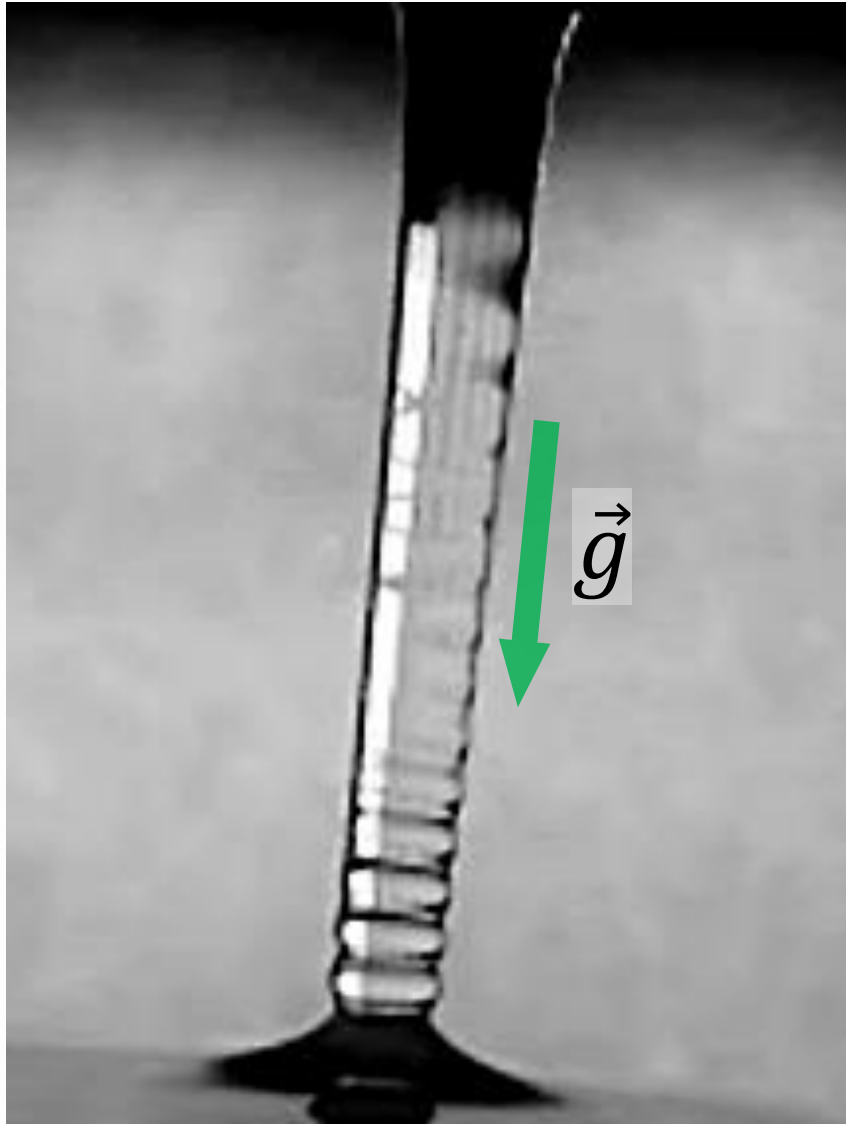
1. Ripples reproduce well with a **Reynolds number $Re \sim 100$**
2. The shape of the ripples is **independent of the obstacles** that it encounters
3. **Ripples** also **form** at a height **where** it almost breaks up into **droplets**
4. Closer to the obstacle - more pronounced and has less distance between the peaks
5. In constant conditions it **looks stationary**

Experimental part

Qualitative explanation

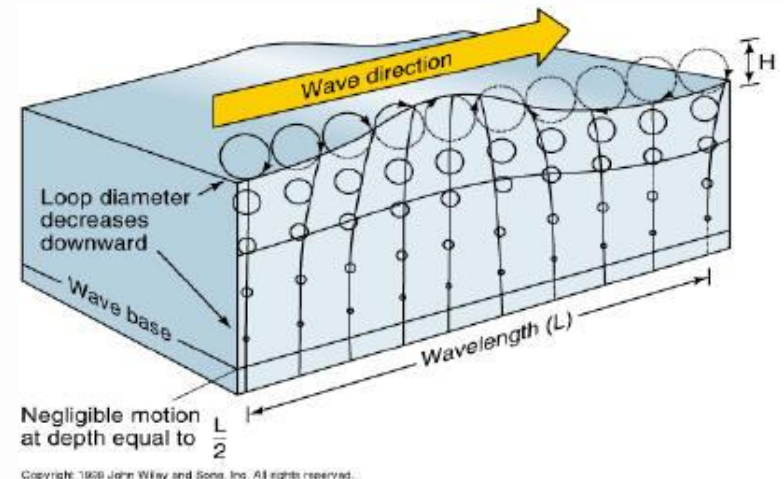
Quantitative description

Stationary ripple pattern



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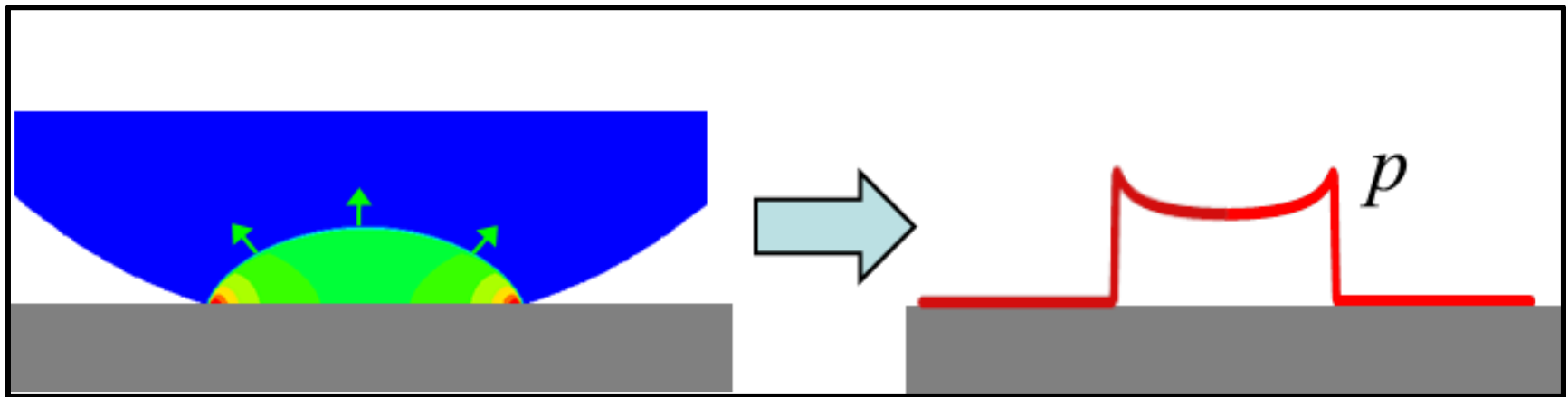
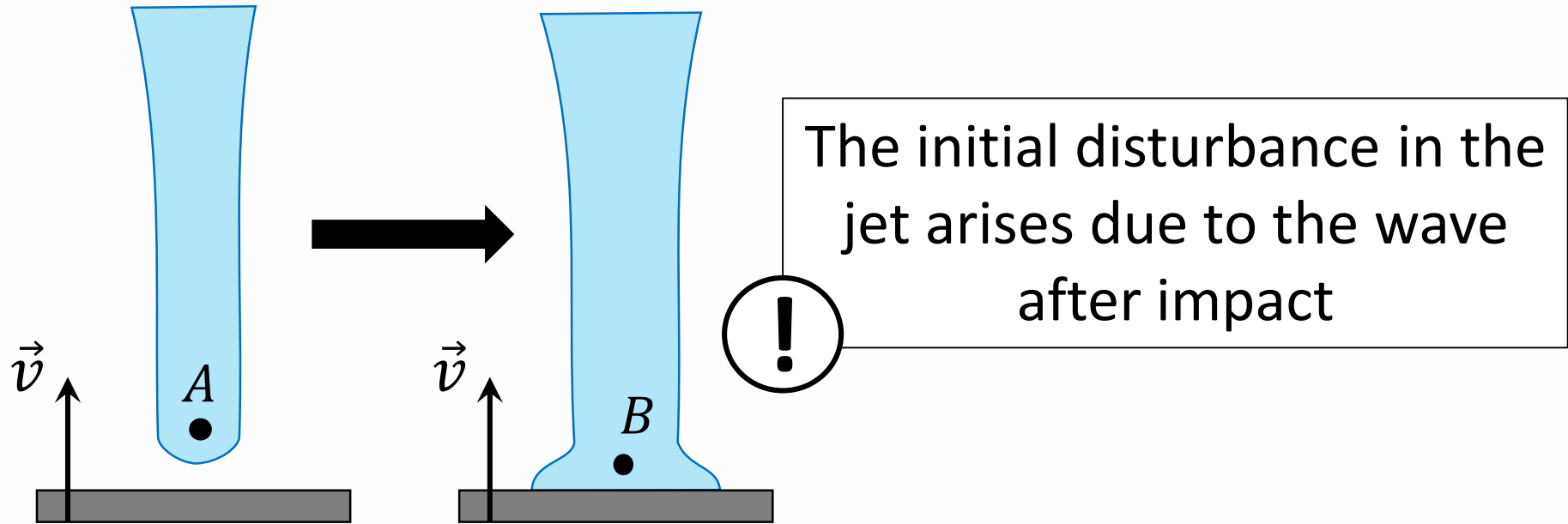
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Disturbance in jet



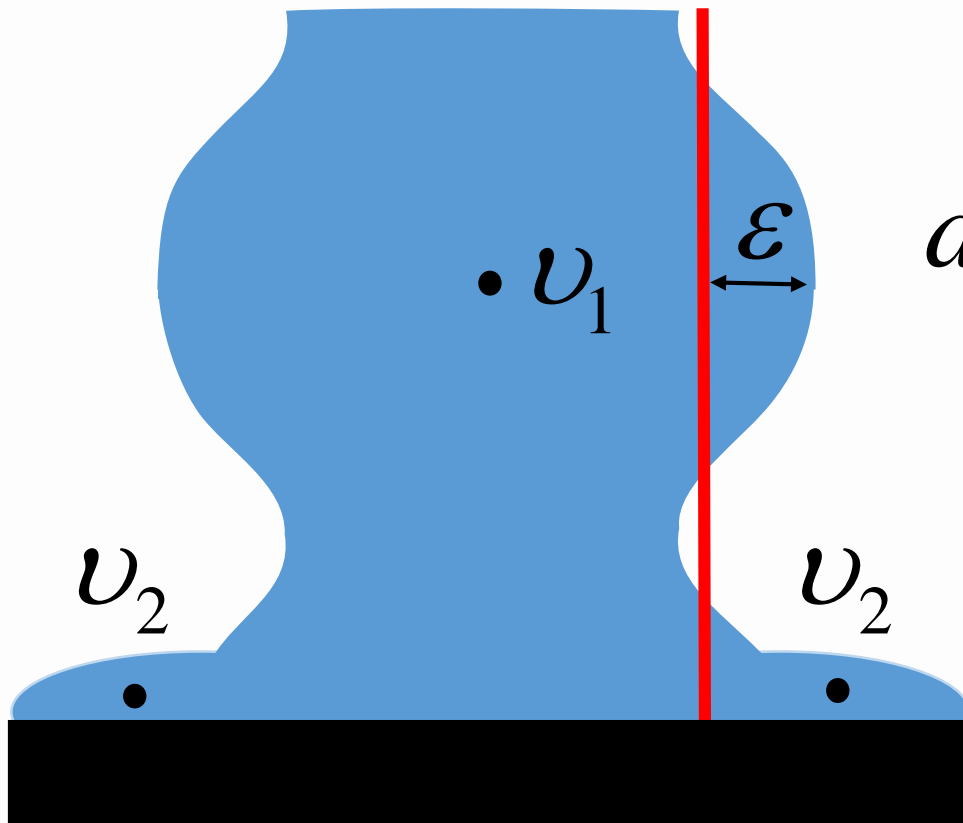
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 [“Shock” wave in the jet simulation], © IME - Subdivision of FIC KazanSC of RAS, 2020

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Initial amplitude



$$\sigma dS = dE$$

$$dS \sim d\varepsilon^2 \quad dE \sim \rho d v^2$$

$$\varepsilon \sim v \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\sigma}}$$

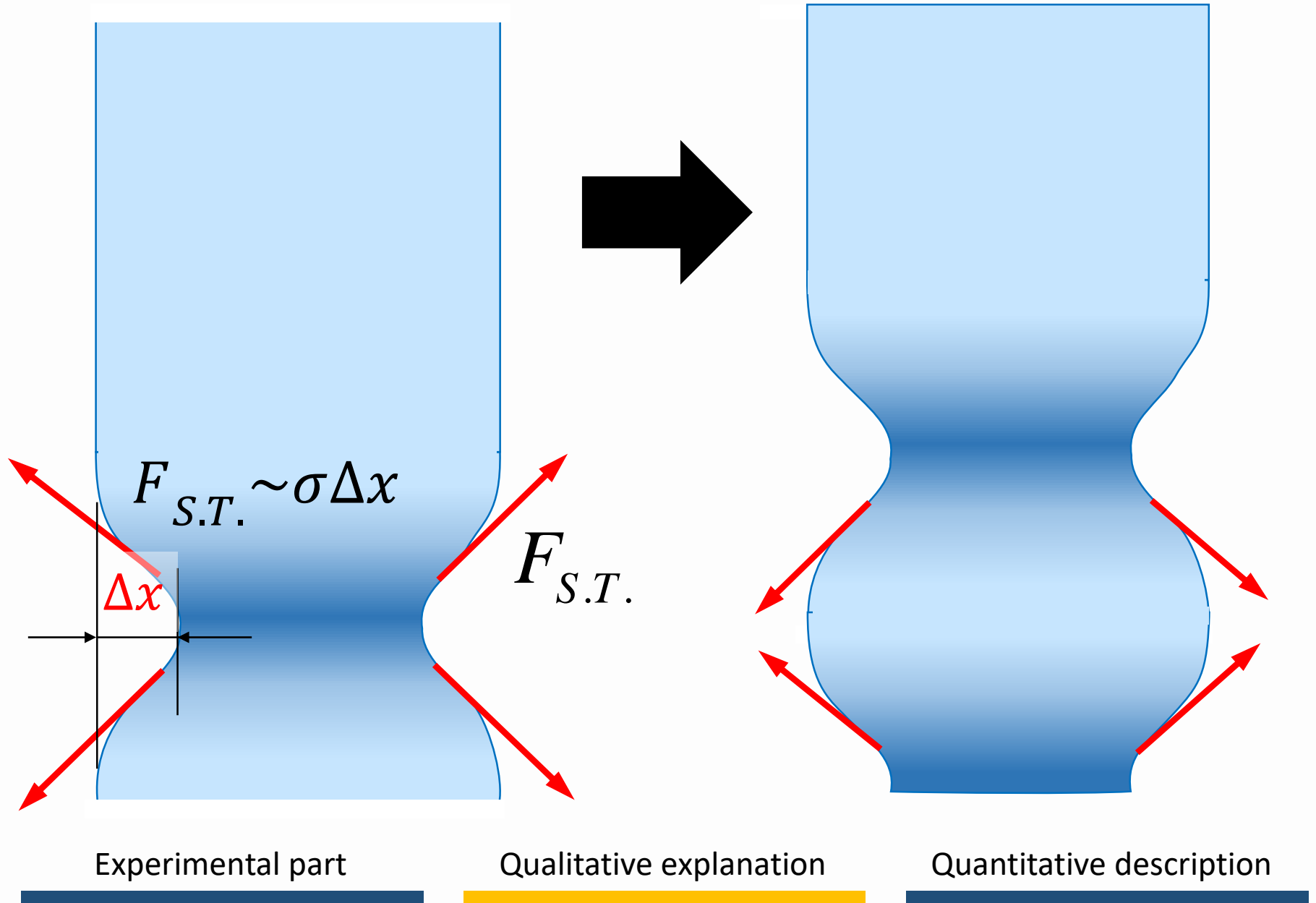
! This dependence is confirmed experimentally well

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Capillary waves



Why are the waves standing?

The jet at a point moves at a constant speed c .



Waves with wave number k when added at z give a nonzero amplitude if their phases at this point are equal



One disturbance was generated by t_0 earlier than the second, then the phase equality can be written as follows

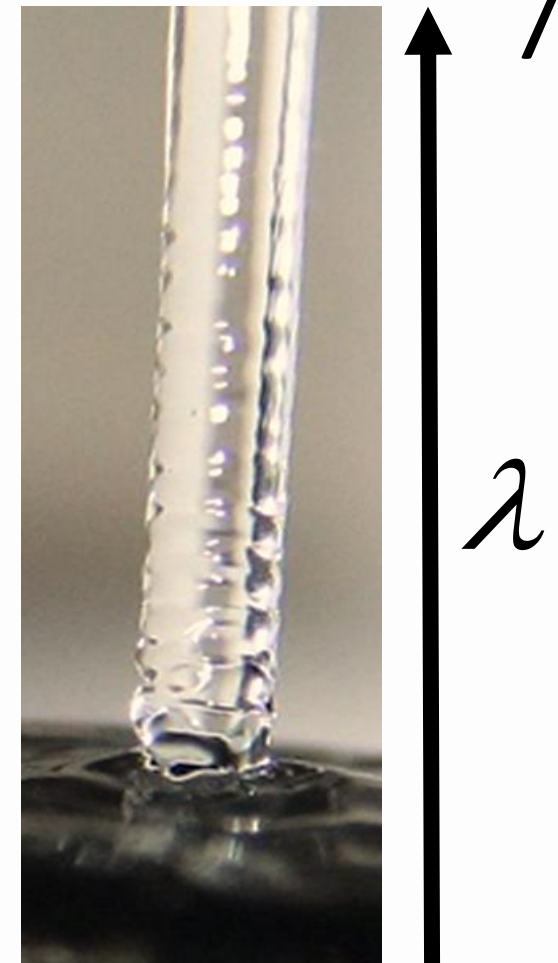
$$k \cdot (z + ct_0) - \omega \cdot (t + t_0) = k \cdot z - \omega \cdot t \rightarrow$$

$$v_\varphi = \frac{\omega}{k} = c$$

Experimental part

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Quantitative description



Wavelength from height

1) There is wave dispersion

$$\omega = \omega(k)$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \ll \sqrt{\frac{g\rho}{\sigma}} \quad \omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}$$

2) The jet is accelerated by gravity

$$v(z) = \sqrt{v_o^2 + 2g(h-z)}$$

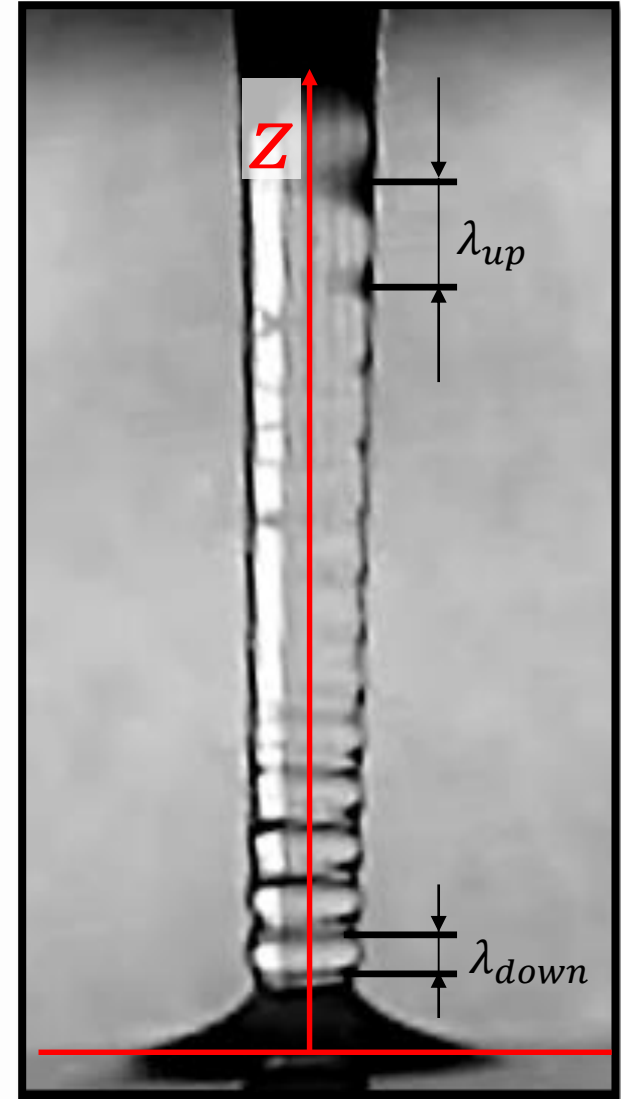
3) From the equality of the phase velocity (c) and the jet velocity $v(z)$, the wavelength can be found

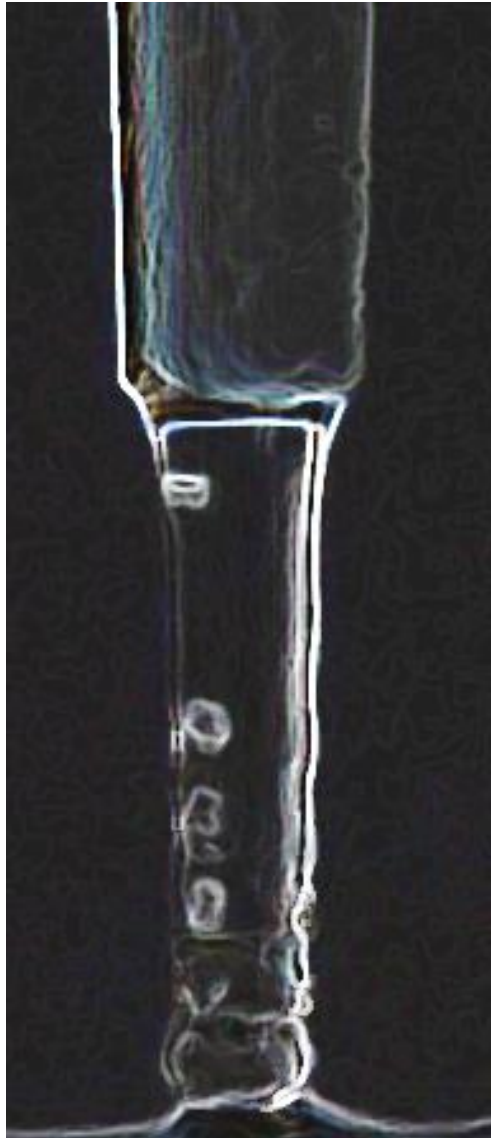
$$\lambda = \lambda(z)$$

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Dispersion law

(not a flat surface, to improve - gravity)

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + (\vec{v}, \nabla) \vec{v} &= -\frac{\nabla p}{\rho} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{v} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right. \quad \text{Incompressible Euler equations with constant and uniform density}$$

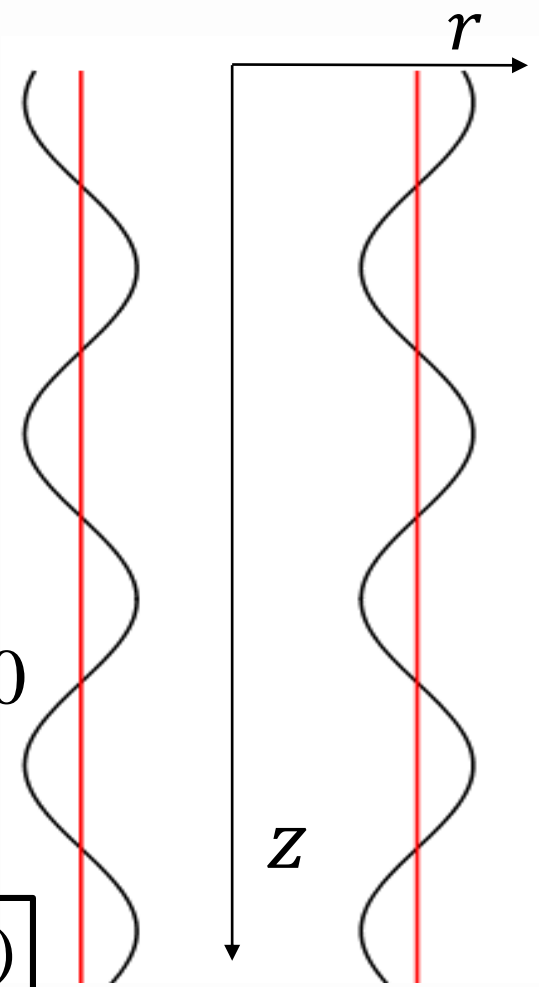
We assume for potential flow:

$$\vec{v} = \nabla \times \phi$$

Transition to cylindrical coordinates

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \Delta \phi &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{p}{\rho} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right. \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$\phi = \phi_0 I_0(kr) \sin(kz - \omega t)$$



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I_i – modified Bessel function of the first kind of the i order

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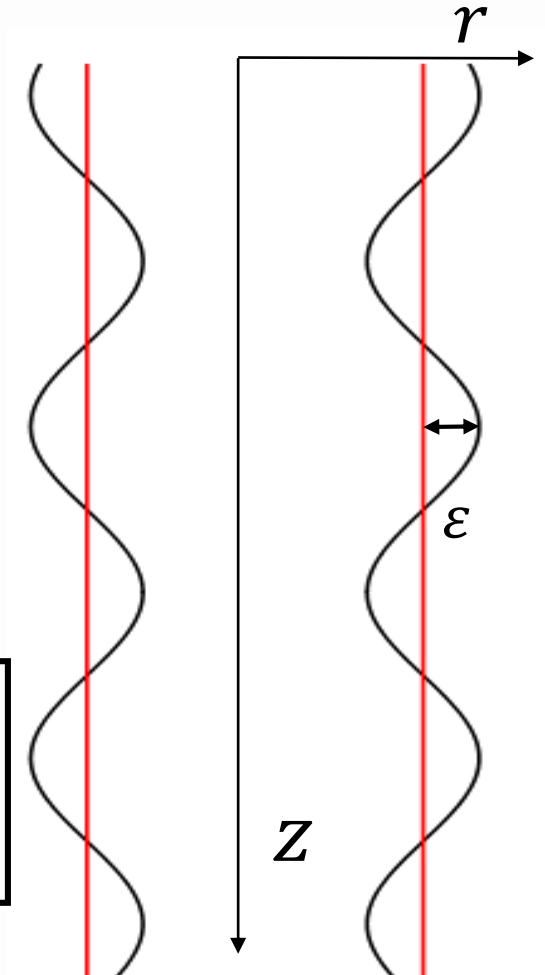
Dispersion law

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$$\vec{v} = \nabla \times \phi \quad \frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = v_r \quad p - p_0 = -\sigma \left(\frac{d^2 \varepsilon}{dz^2} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right)$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\sigma k \left(k^2 - \frac{1}{r^2} \right)}{\rho} \cdot \frac{I_1(kr)}{I_0(kr)}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} \quad \left(\frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} \right)^2 = \frac{2\pi\sigma}{\lambda\rho} \cdot \left[\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{r^2} \right] \cdot \frac{I_1\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}r\right)}{I_0\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}r\right)}$$



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Numerical solution fit

In literature:

Hancock, M. J., & Bush, J. W. M. (2002). Fluid pipes. *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, 466, 285–304.

Wavelength on a flat surface:

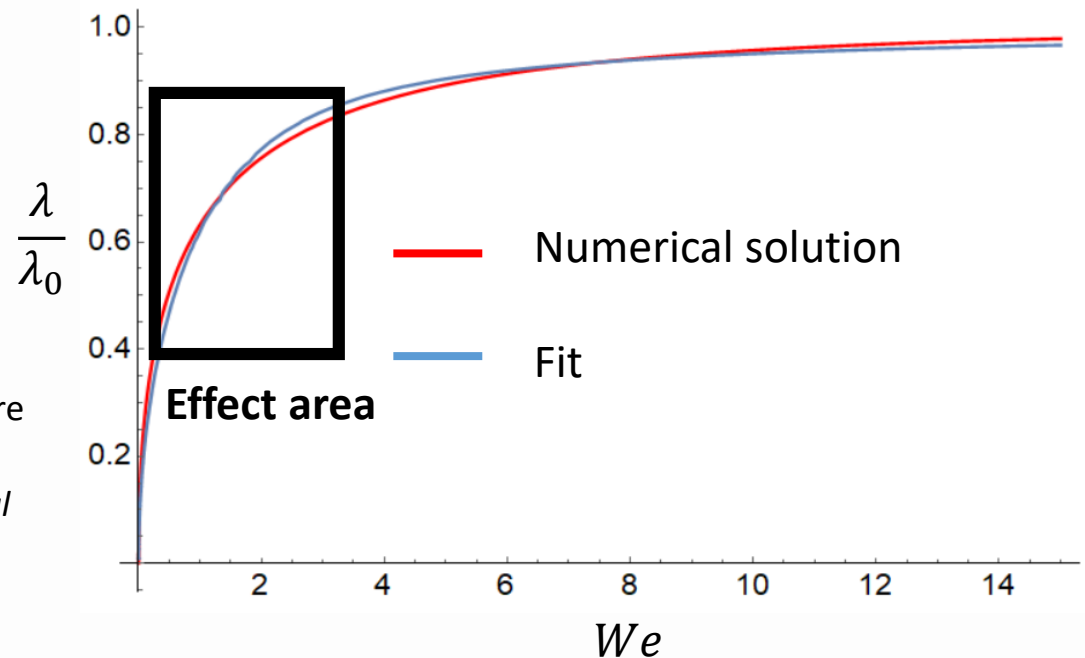
$$\lambda_0 = \frac{2\pi\sigma}{\rho v^2}$$

$$We = \frac{\rho v^2 R_0}{\sigma}$$

The correction taking into account the curvature corrected the plane model **by 2 times!**
Gravity is neglected everywhere for a beautiful solution. Amendment less than 10%.

Fit of the numerical solution:

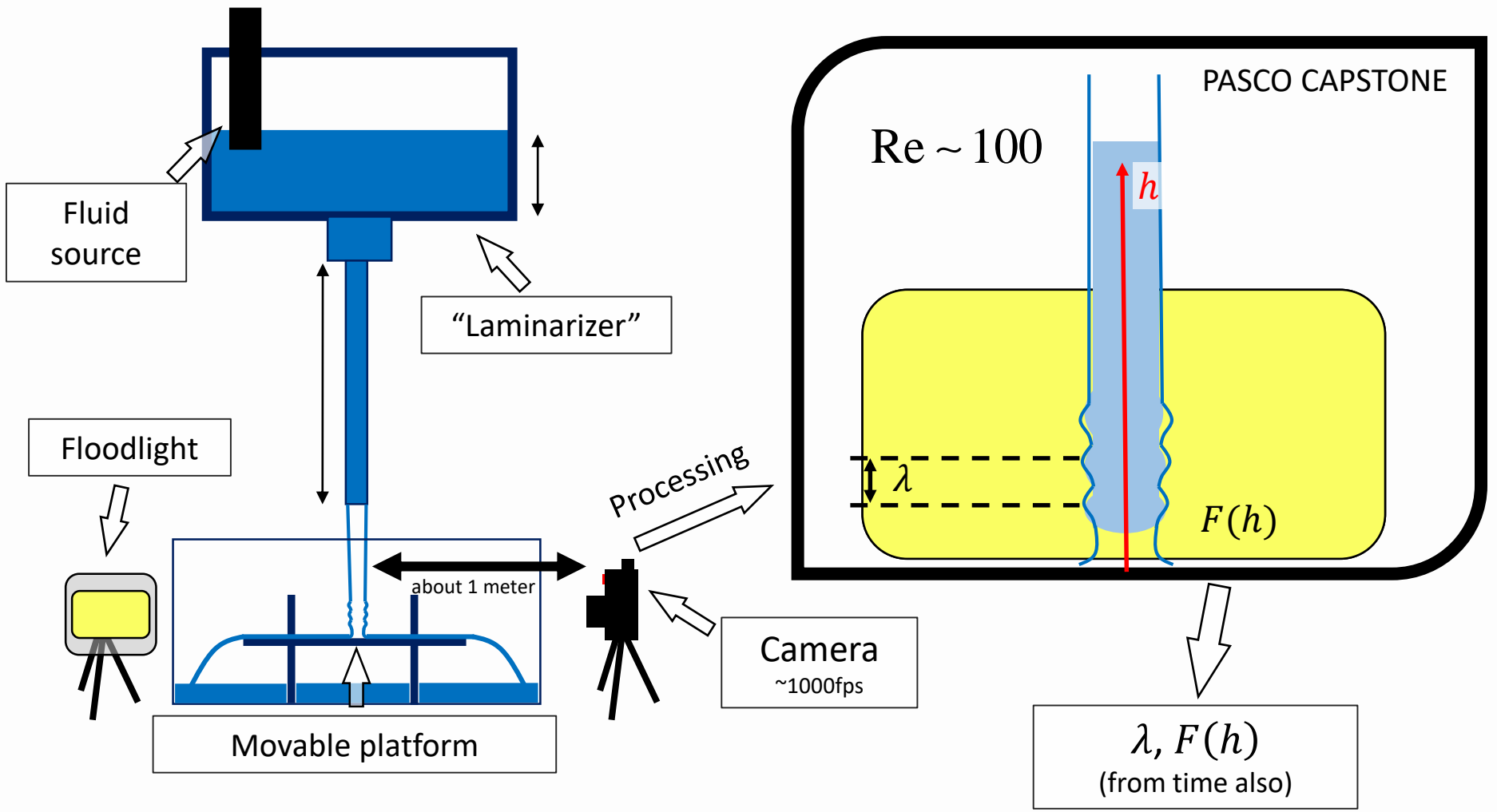
$$\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0} = 1 - \exp(-\sqrt{We})$$



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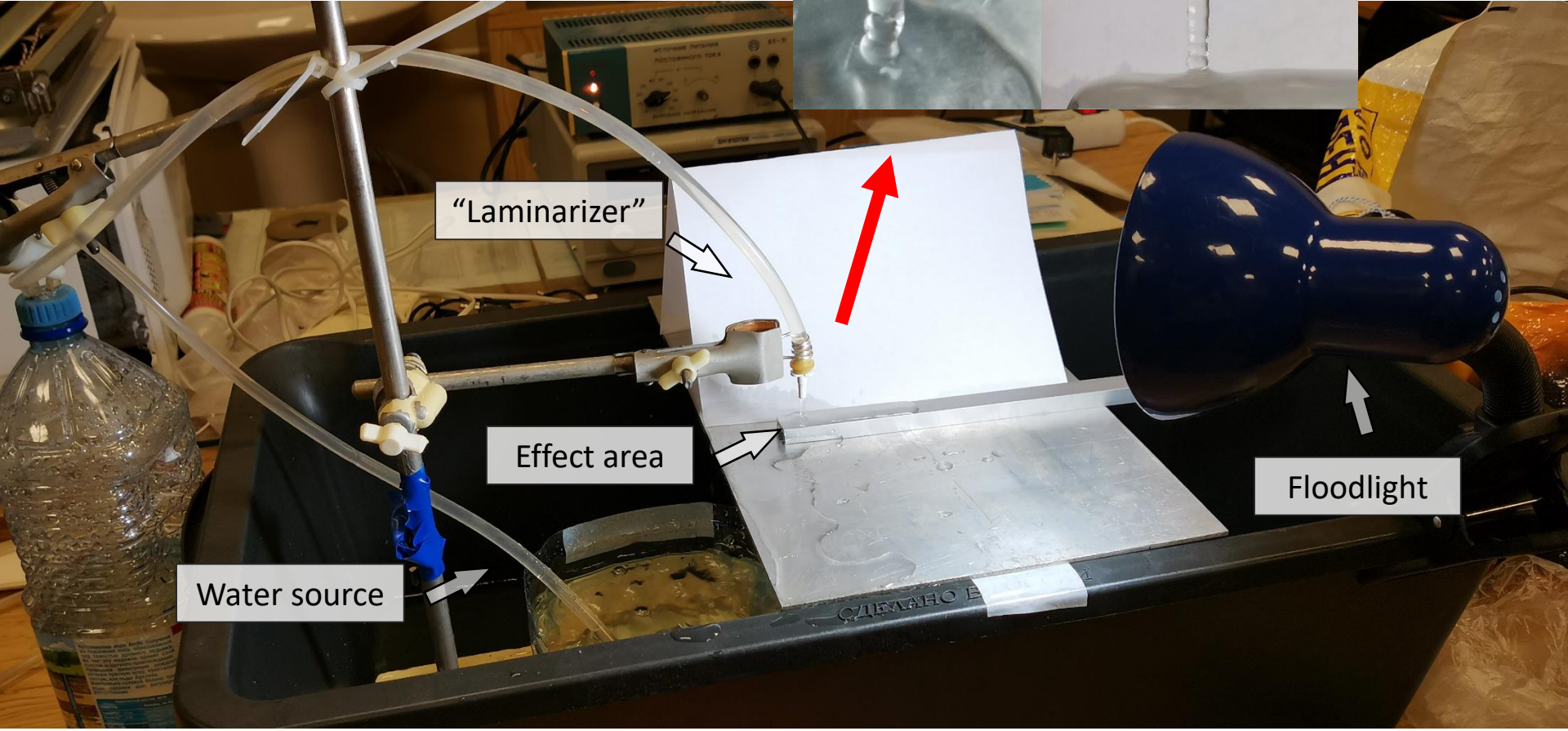
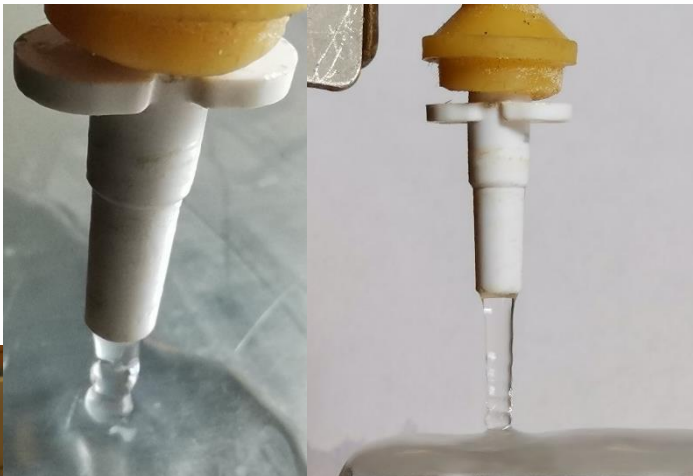
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Experimental setup

Effect area →

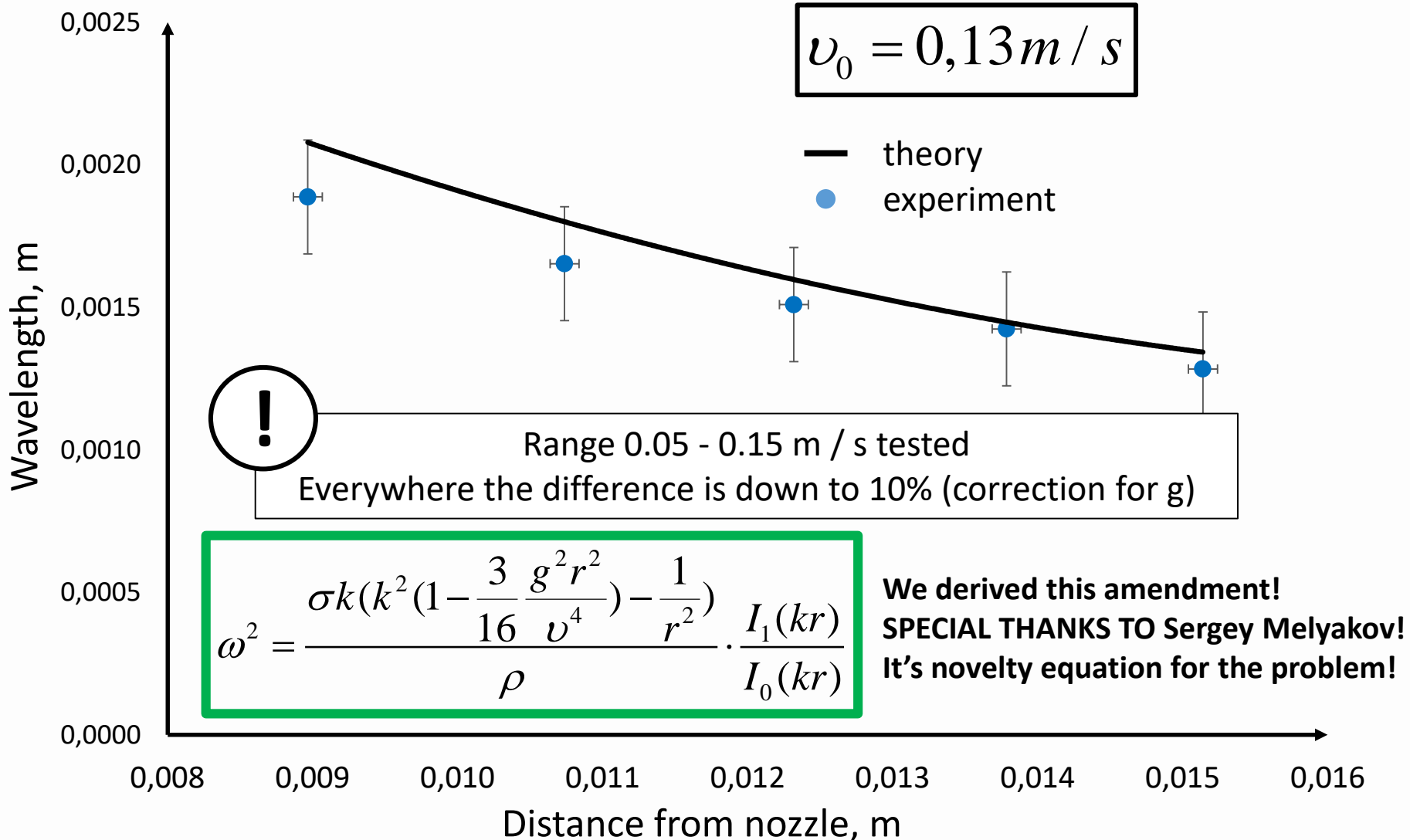


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Verification of dispersion law

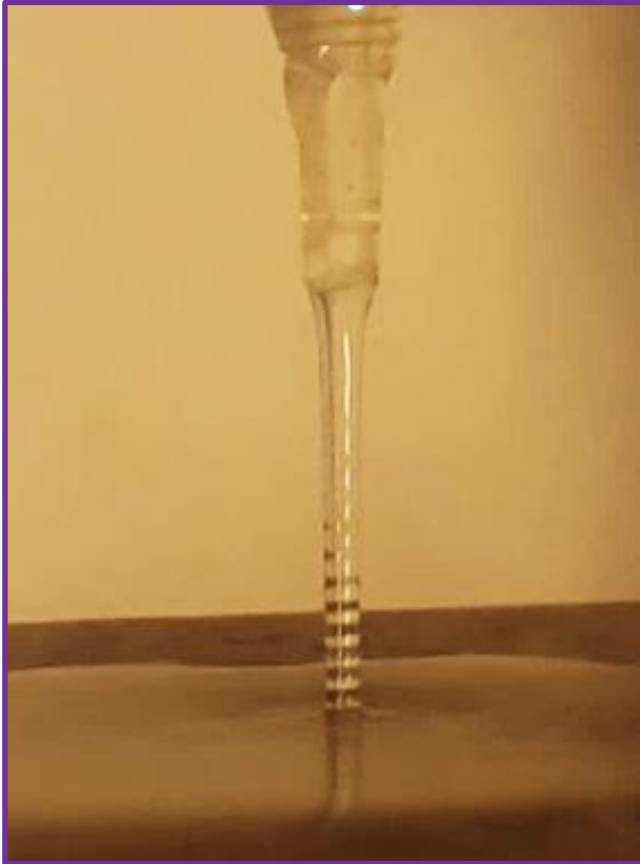


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The surface tension increases the compression ratio of the jet



Warm water



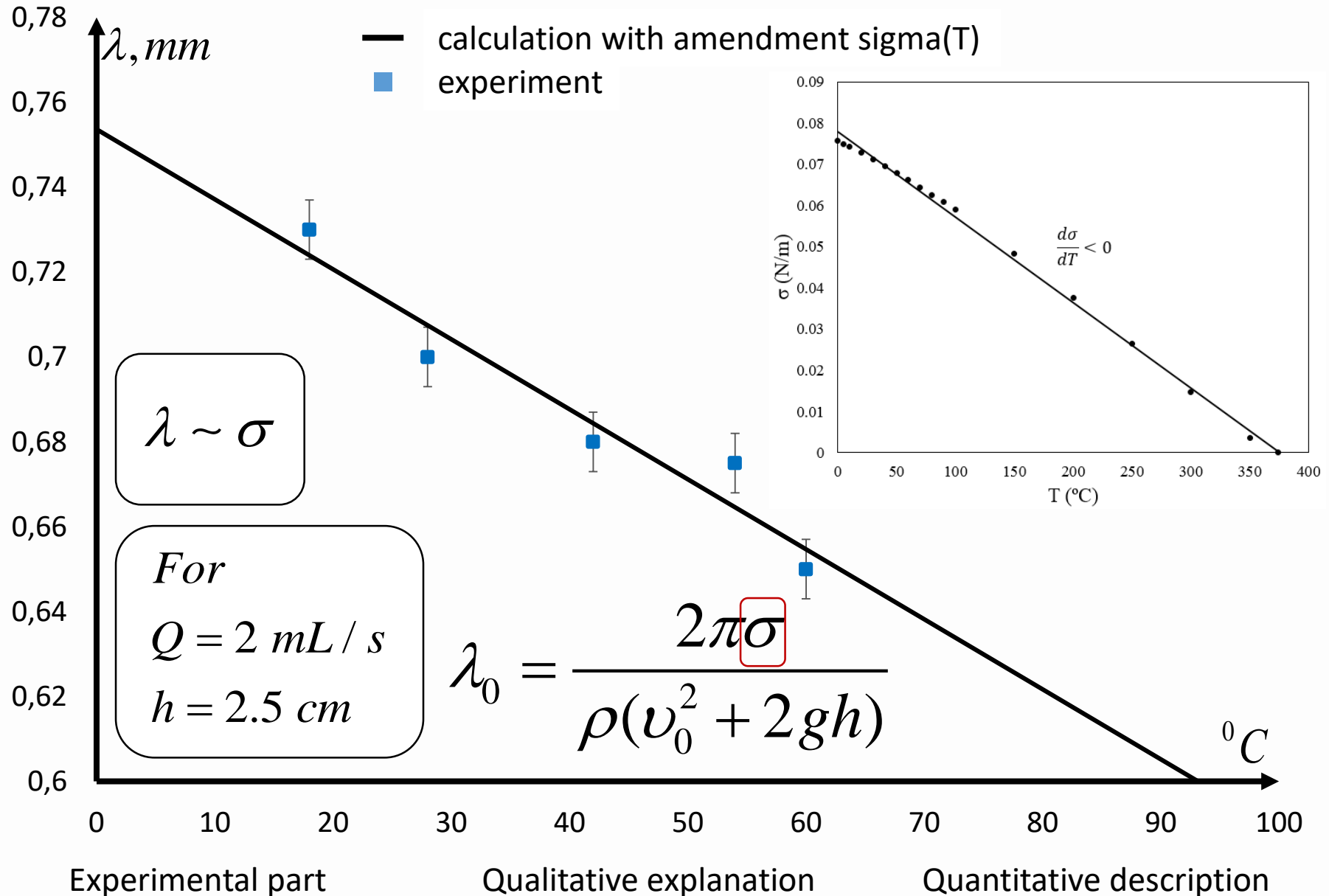
Cold water

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Wavelength at obstacle





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Amplitude of waves



Wave packet propagation speed

$$v_g = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}$$

Amplitude depending on the coordinate

$$f(z) = \int_{-\infty}^0 b \cdot e^{-\alpha(k)(t+t_0)} \cdot \cos(k(x + ct_0) - \omega(t + t_0)) dt_0$$

The time in which the wave packet reaches the point

$$t(z) = \int_{z_0}^z \frac{dz}{v_g - c}$$

$$f(z) = a_0 \cdot e^{-\alpha(k) \cdot t}$$

a_0 - parameter determined from the width of the spectrum and the initial amplitude

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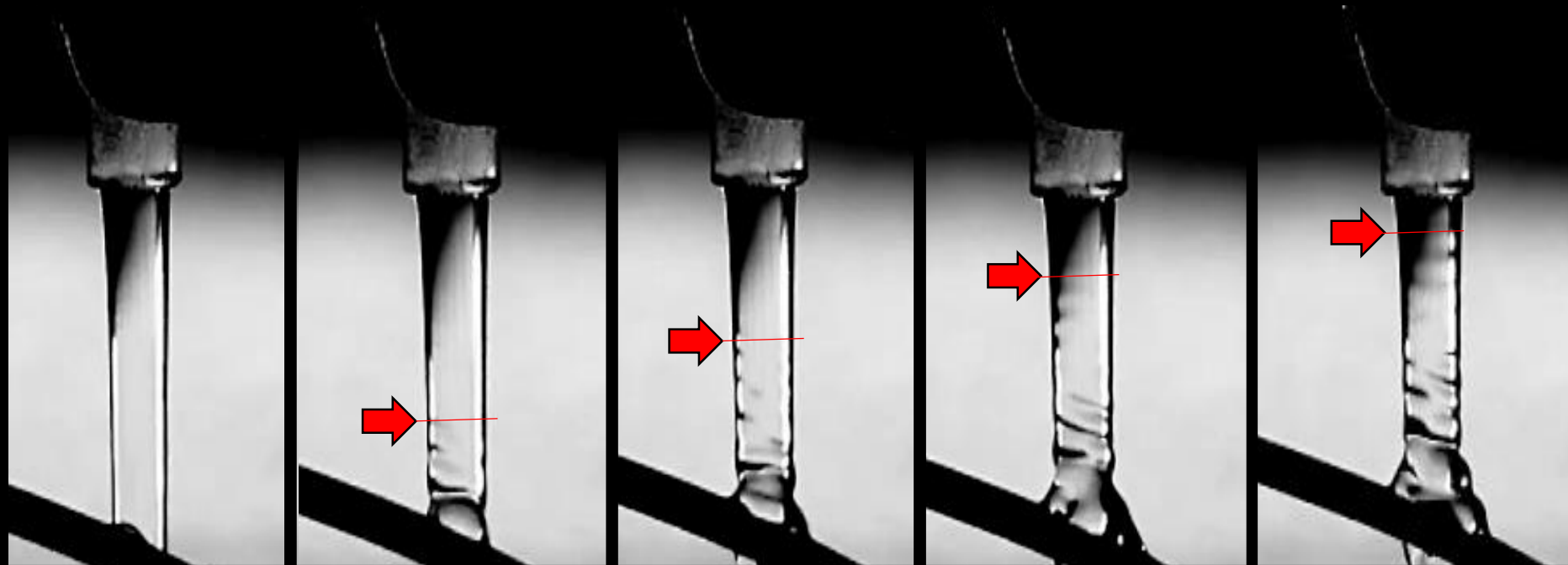
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Measurement method

Errors about 0.5 mm (shadow area)

Ripple formation dynamics



Video, 1000 fps

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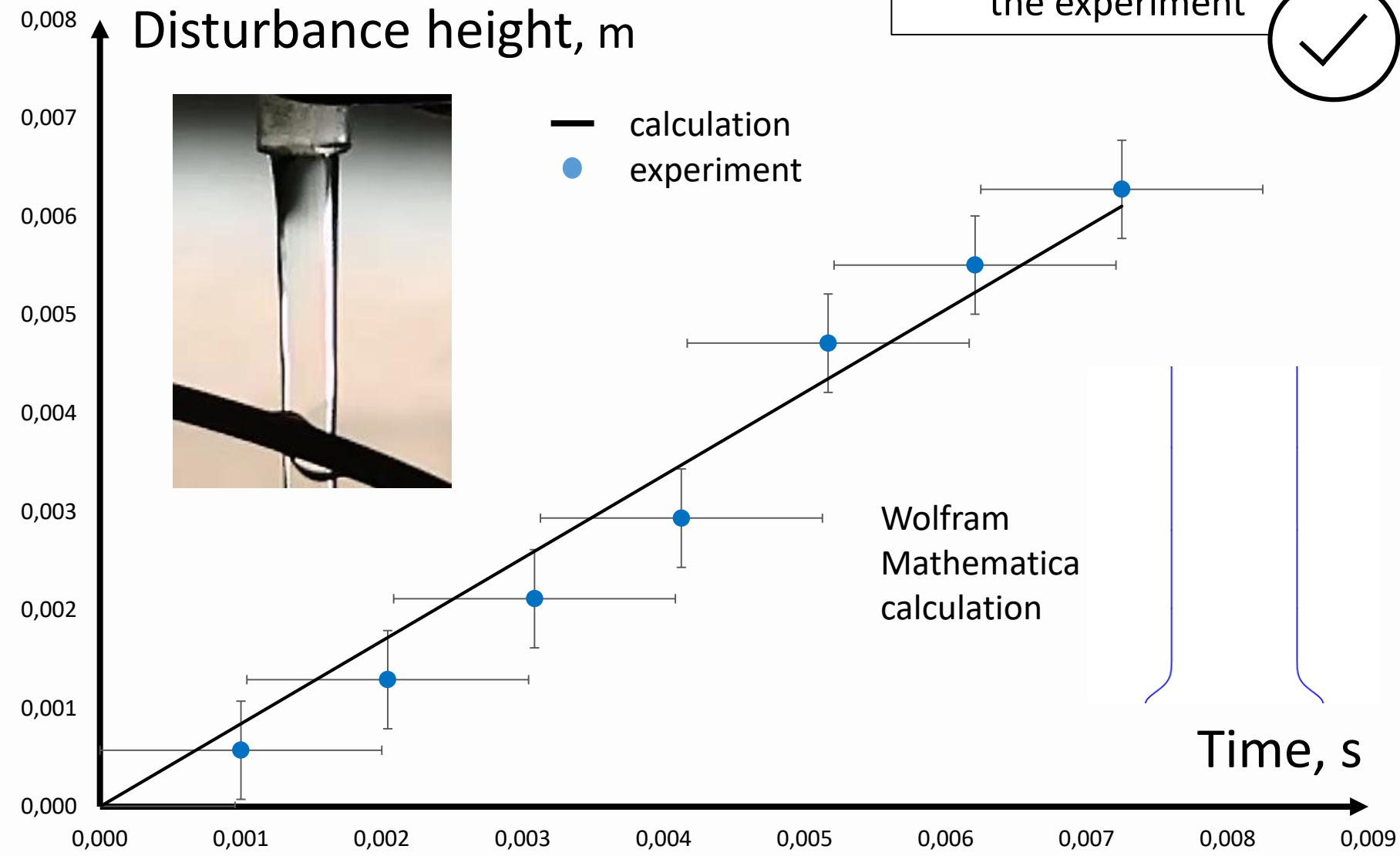
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The calculation describes the experiment



Wave packet propagation



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Coefficient determination

The Navier-Stokes equation for two-dimensional flow at low Reynolds numbers

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \Delta v_x \\ \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \nu \Delta v_y \\ \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \Rightarrow$$

Dispersion ratio taking into account viscosity:

$$\omega = -2i\nu k^2 + \sqrt{\omega(k)}$$

The imaginary part of the frequency - viscosity

ν – kinematic viscosity

σ – tension

ρ – fluid density

Attenuation coefficient

$$\alpha(k) = 2\nu k^2$$

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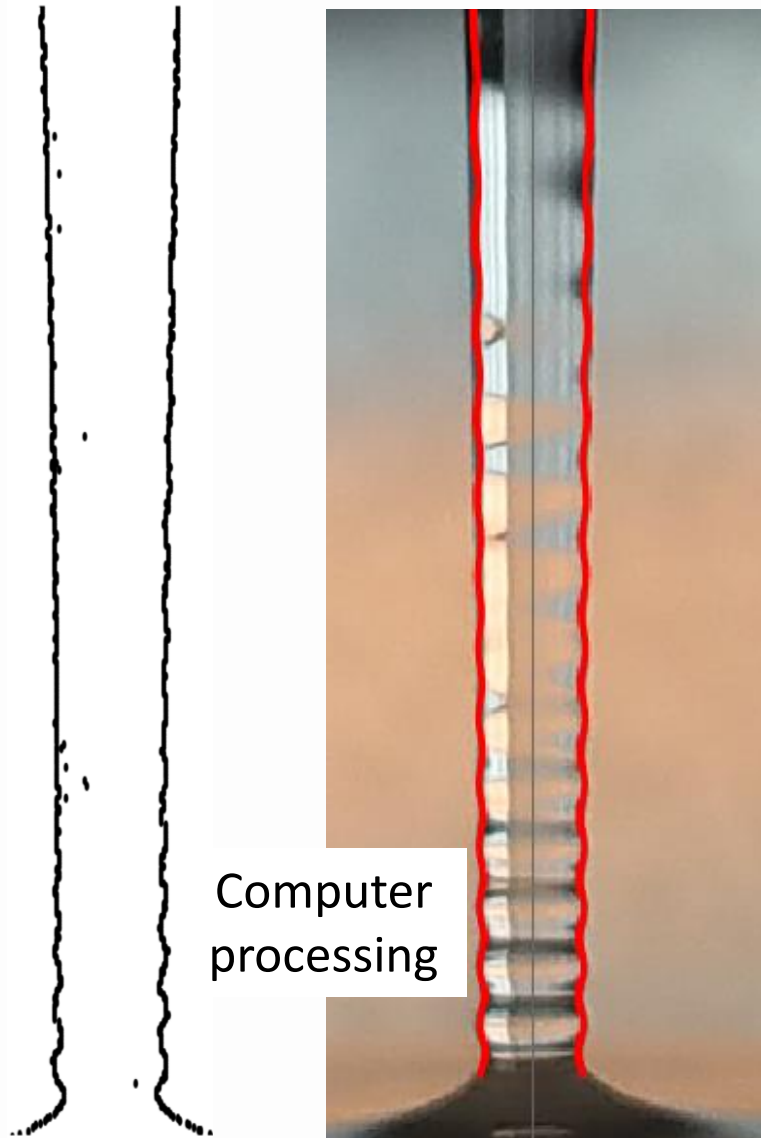


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Measuring method



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1. Track the jet boundary
2. Fit the boundary by the assumed dependence
3. Determine the attenuation coefficient
4. Spread out into a spectrum
5. Determine the flow rate and surface tension coefficient

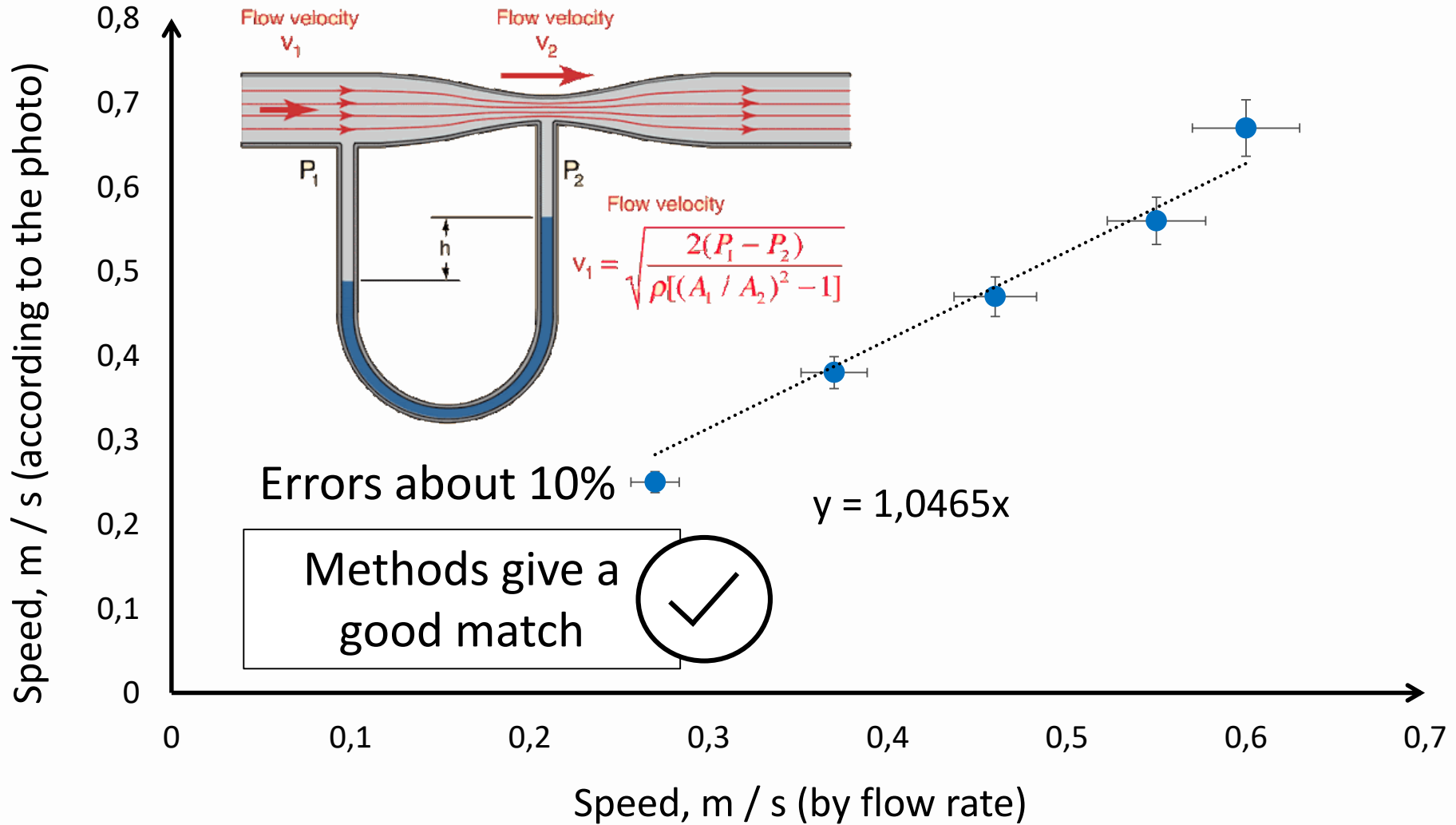
$$\nu = 1 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}}$$

$$\sigma = 0,053 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}$$

$$v_0 = 0,13 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

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Flow rate measuring

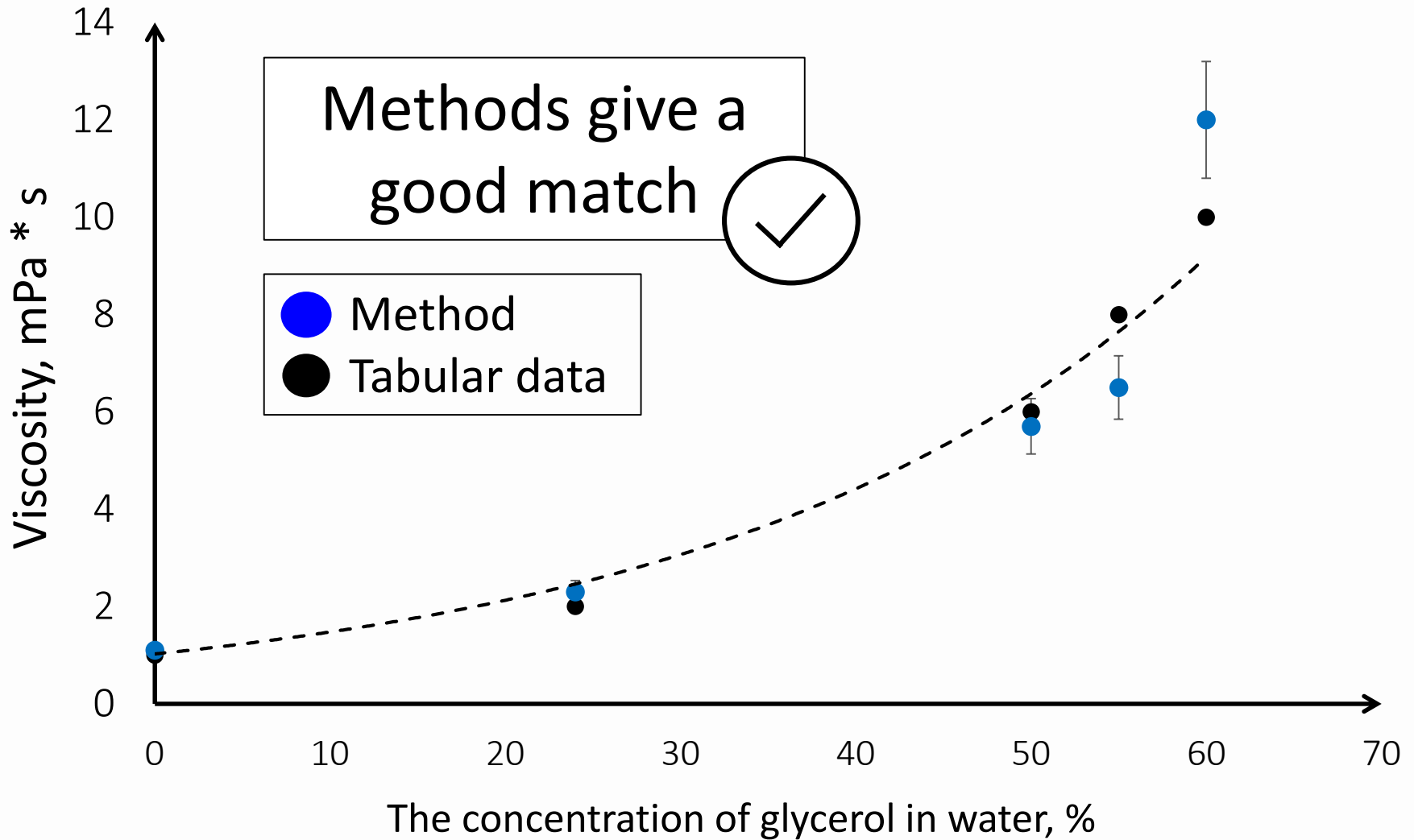


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Kinematic viscosity measuring



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Conclusions

Wavelength from height 7

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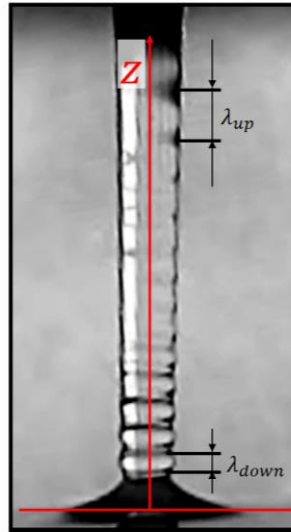
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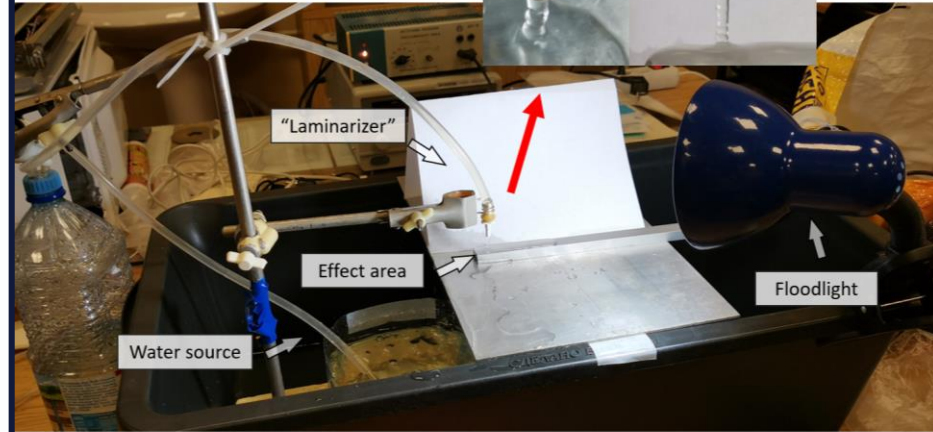
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Effect area



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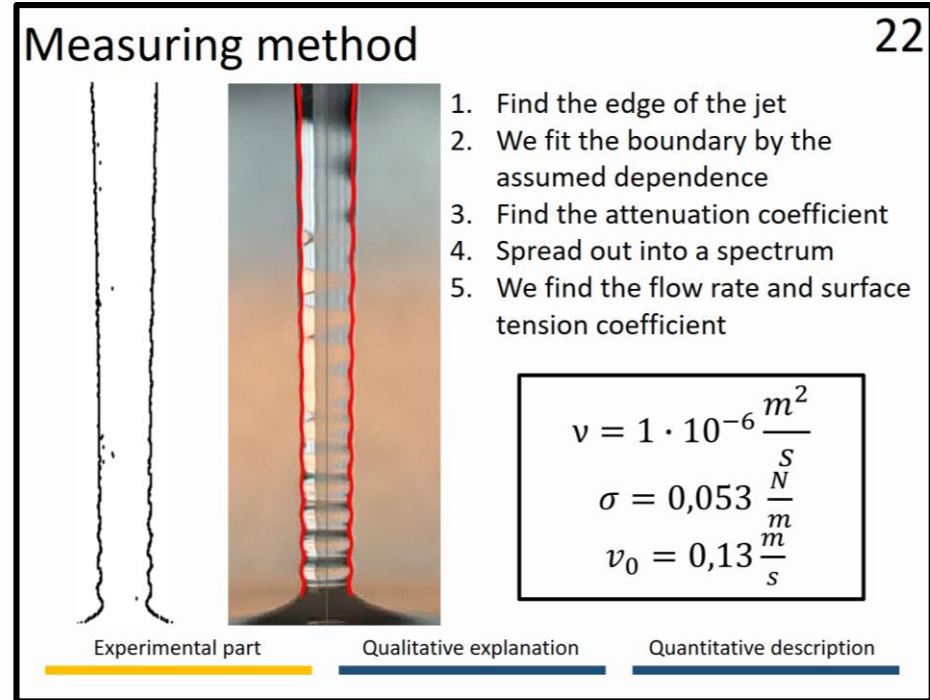
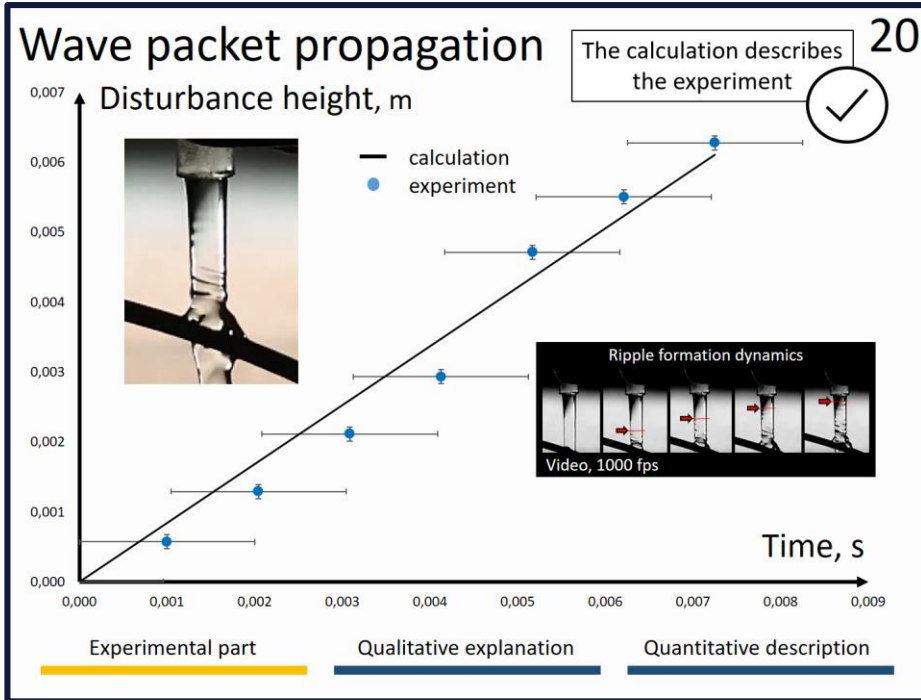
The nature of the formation of ripples - **Capillary waves**.

Stationarity is ensured by **wave dispersion**.

At each point of the jet, the velocity of the jet and the phase velocity of the wave are equal. **The ratio is adjusted for surface curvature and verified.**

Final thought

Conclusions



The **ripples formation dynamics** is considered.

The wave **attenuation** from time is **described**.

Calculation model is confirmed by experiment.

The **method for measuring** viscosity, surface tension and flow rate **was determined** and verified.

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Further research: 1. Fluid “pipes”
2. Initial amplitude – full description

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It was also investigated:

1. Decay of jet into droplets
(height, ripple)
 2. Jet narrowing
(radius from height, attenuation effect)
 3. Fluid and flow parameters
(dependencies for the wavelength at the foot)
 4. Fluid “pipes”
(areas where ripples do not form)
 5. Waves on the plane
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Thank you! Questions?

Final thought
