



Nº10 Quaint jet

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The problem

When water is forced through a **thin slit**, the flow sometimes takes the shape of a **helix**. Describe the phenomenon and explain the dependence of the aspect **ratio(s)** of the helix on the <u>fluid parameters</u>, <u>parameters of the flow</u> and the <u>shape</u> of the nozzle.





The phenomena













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Plan of the report



Qualitative description of the phenomena

Linear model of the process

Nonlinear effects





α – the angle between the planes

$$\alpha = 90^{\circ} + \alpha_0$$

 α_0 –"twisting angle"



Experimental setup







 v_y almost doesn't depend on x-coordinate on the height h_0 .



The motion of water layer can be considered as a whole.







The higher modes can appear for other shapes of the orifice





Weber number



Weber number — dimensionless number, describing a measure of the relative importance of the <u>fluid's inertia</u> compared to its <u>surface tension</u>.

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

L is the characteristic length v is the velocity of the fluid

 ρ is the density of the fluid

 σ is the coefficient of the surface tension





Front view





Side view





Qualitative explanation. Twisting



b. because of slit's asymmetry

a. in the funnel



 Γ is the circulation ω_0 is the initial angular velocity S is the initial area of jet cross-section





Experimental setup – the hose



Tap without aerator







A B C A





В

С





The hydraulic radius vs height



Velocity of the layer

$$v = \sqrt{v_0^2 + 2gz}$$

S- is the cross-section area of the jet

Continuity equation

$$vS = const$$



$$r_0 = R \left(1 + \frac{2gz}{v_0^2} \right)^{-1/4}$$

R – hydraulic radius of the orifice

 ${oldsymbol v}_0$ - initial velocity of the jet

Hydraulic radius decreases with height The frequency of oscillations increases





Helix pitch vs number of the turn









The experiment vs numeric model





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Role of nonlinearity

linear case





Relative elongation

$$\varepsilon = \frac{a-b}{a+b}$$





nonlinear case

 $\varepsilon \simeq 0.95$

$\varepsilon \simeq 0.5$



The technique of the experiment



Using Tracker (software for video analyses) we determine the height of water in the funnel

The flow rate was calculated for the geometry of funnel

Using Tracker measured the length of the first link





First link length vs velocity









First link length vs surface tension





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The dependence on We







The first link elongation for the contraction of the slit





modification of the frequency

$$\omega = \omega_0 [1 - \gamma \varepsilon^2 + o(\varepsilon^4)]$$

$$\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0} \simeq \frac{1}{1 - \gamma \varepsilon^2}$$

 λ – length of the first link (experiment)

 λ_0 – length of the first link (linear model).

The increase of amplitude leads to the increase of the period, and, correspondingly, the length of the links.



Damping oscillations

Damped oscillator $\ddot{\alpha} + \gamma \dot{\alpha} + \omega^2 \alpha = 0$

$$\alpha \sim \exp(-\gamma t) \qquad \gamma \sim \mu$$

 α – amplitude of oscillations μ – dynamic viscosity

Only for nonlinear case

$$\omega = f(\alpha) \qquad \lambda = g(\alpha)$$
$$\alpha \downarrow \implies \lambda \downarrow$$





Length of the link vs number of the turn (nonlinear case)







Conclusions



- Qualitative explanation:
 - The cause of chain-links oscillations of water layer
 - The cause of twisting increase of initial vorticity.
- Aspect ratio of the helix is determined by Weber number and by the aspect ratio of the slit.
- The numeric model of the helix was created
- The dependence on viscosity, surface tension, geometry of jet and flow rate was investigated







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