

# Hydraulic Behaviour of a Gully Under Surcharge Conditions

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# Surcharge Events

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1- Surcharge event in sewer system of Auckland, New Zealand, 2009



2- Montreal, Quebec, Canada, 30/05/2012

1- <http://joelcayford.blogspot.pt/2009/10/isnt-aislings-death-stormwater-wake-up.html>

2- <http://youtu.be/l5rZOFW011s>



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# Experimental Setup

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## ❖ Channel

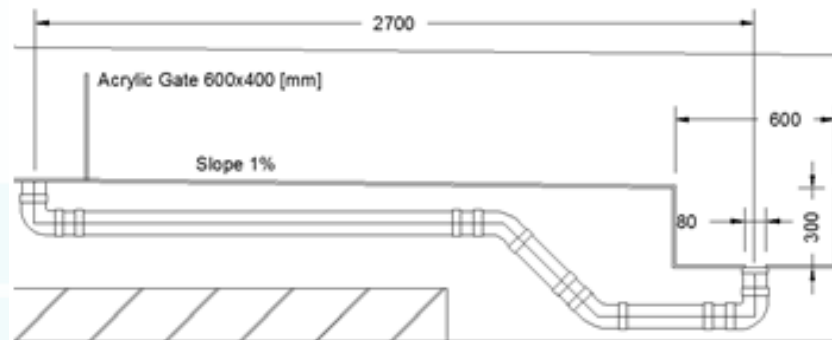
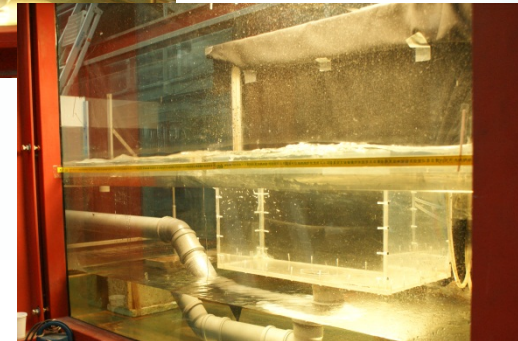
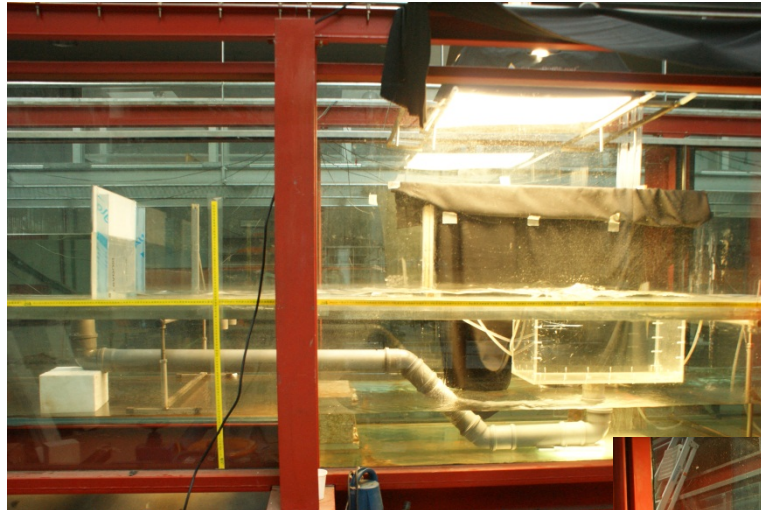
50 cm width  
1% slope

## ❖ Gully

60 cm length  
30 cm width  
30 cm height

## ❖ Pipe

8 cm diameter



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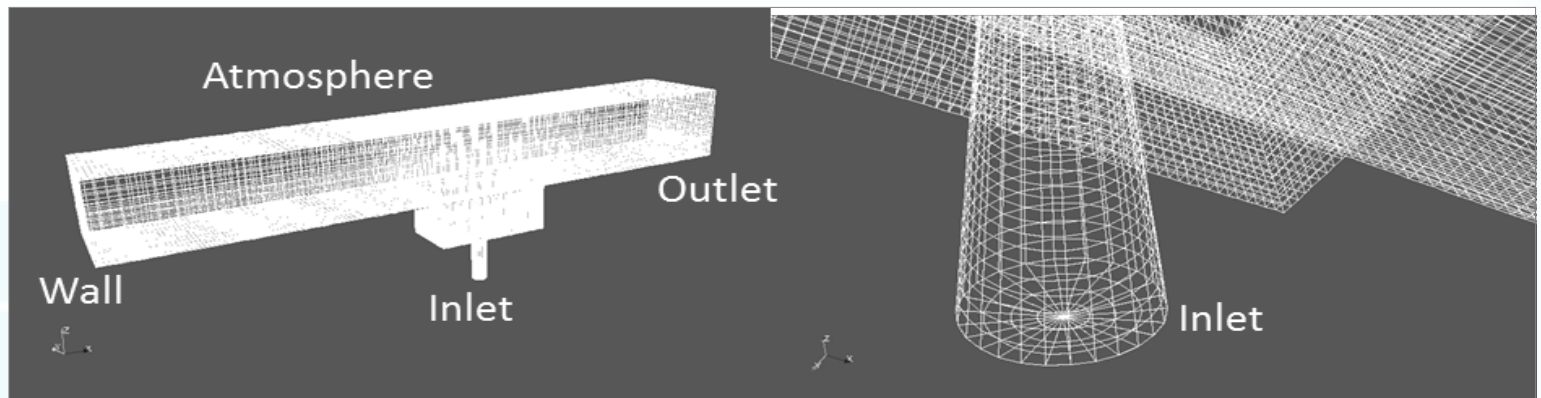
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- ❖ Regular and Non-Uniform
- ❖ Ranging spaces 1 to 4 cm
- ❖ Created with *blockMesh* utility in OpenFOAM

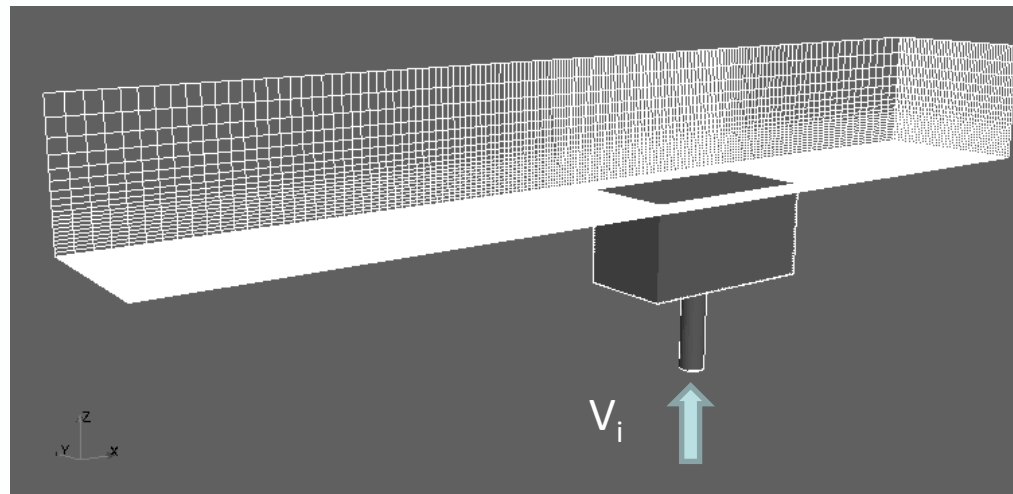
## Boundary conditions



(Adapted from Martins,R.)

# 1 - Gully with Simple Inlet (GSI)

## Initial Conditions



|    | <b>Q (m<sup>3</sup>/s)</b> | <b>D (m)</b> | <b>V<sub>i</sub> (m/s)</b> |
|----|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Q6 | 0.006                      | 0.08         | 1.194                      |

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❖ OpenFOAM version 1.7.1

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# Turbulence Approach

## LES

$$\bar{U}(x, t) = \int_{\Omega} U(x', t) G(x, x', \Delta) dx$$

$$G_1(x, x', \Delta) = \begin{cases} 1/\Delta^3 & |x - x'| \leq \Delta/2 \\ 0 & |x - x'| > \Delta/2 \end{cases}$$

$$G_2(x, x', \Delta) = \left(\frac{\gamma}{\pi\Delta^2}\right)^{3/2} \exp\left(-\gamma \frac{|x - x'|^2}{\Delta^2}\right)$$

$$G_3(x, x', \Delta) = \prod_{i=1}^3 \frac{\sin[(x_i - x'_i)/\Delta]}{(x_i - x'_i)}$$

$$\phi(x, t) = \bar{\phi}(x, t) + \phi'(x, t)$$

## RANS

$$\nabla(\rho\bar{U}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho\bar{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla(\rho\bar{U}\bar{U}) = g - \nabla\bar{p} + \nabla(\nu\nabla\bar{U}) + \overline{U'U'}$$

$$\overline{U'U'} = \nu_t(\nabla U + (\nabla U)^T) + \frac{2}{3}kI$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2}\overline{U'U'}$$

$$\nu_t = C_\mu \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon}$$

$$\varepsilon = \nu \overline{U'U' : \nabla U'}$$

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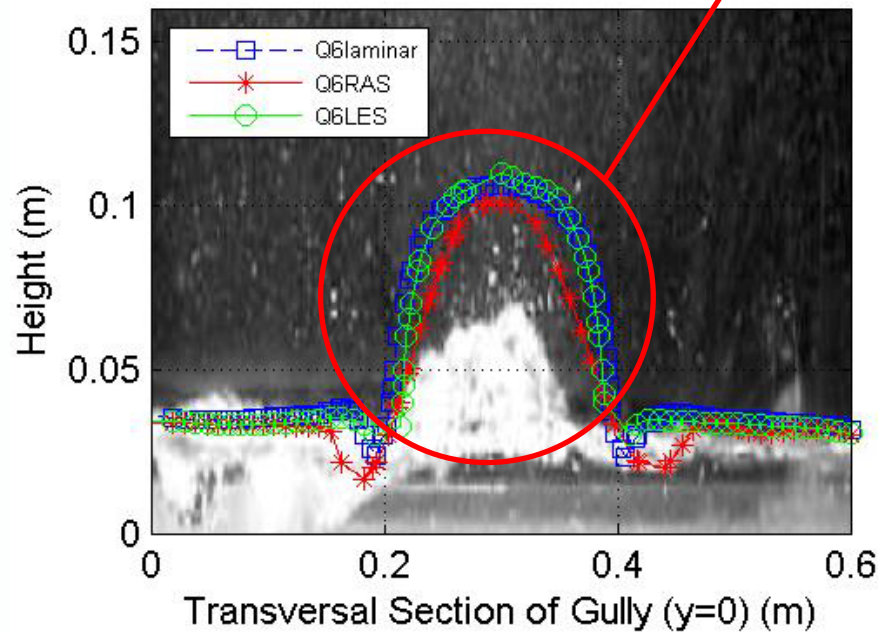
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# Tests performed

Distant of the experimental results

Flow with 6 liters/second



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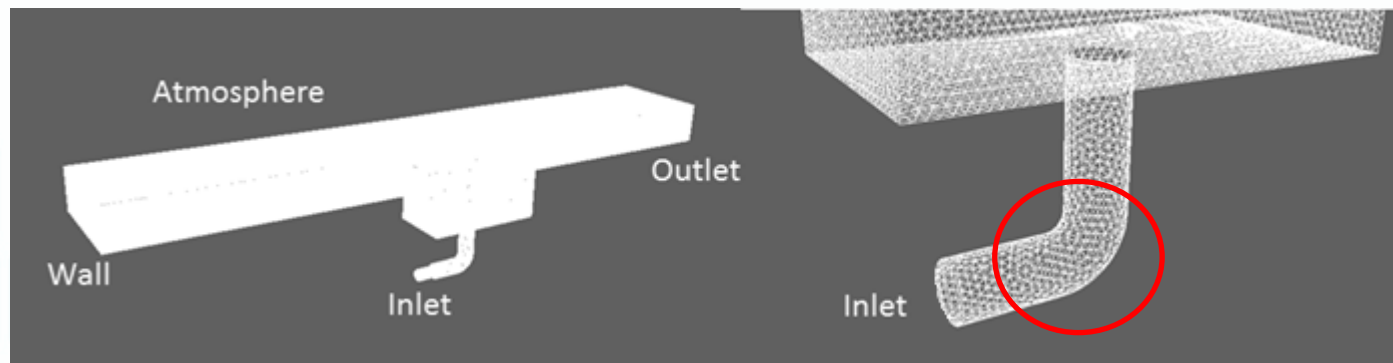
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## 2 - Gully with Inlet Curve (GIC)

- ❖ Non-Regular and Non-Uniform (Tetraedrical cells)
- ❖ Ranging spaces 1 to 1.5 cm
- ❖ Created with *SALOME-Platform*
- ❖ Influence of the curve + curve losses

### Boundary conditions



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# 3 - Gully with Inlet Curve and Energy Losses (GICEL)

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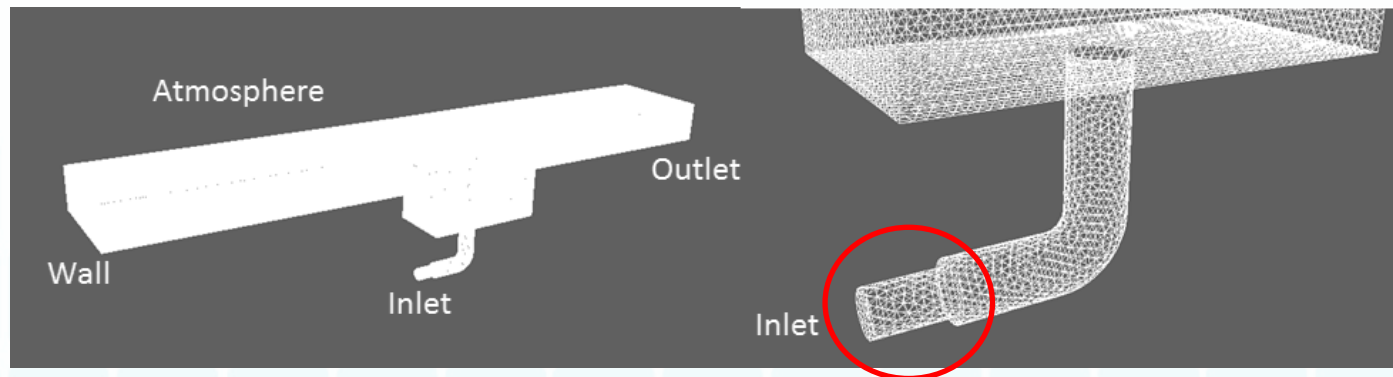
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- ❖ Non-Regular and Non-Uniform (Tetraedrical cells)
- ❖ Ranging spaces 1 to 1.5 cm
- ❖ Created with *SALOME-Platform*
- ❖ Influence of the curve + curve losses + installation losses

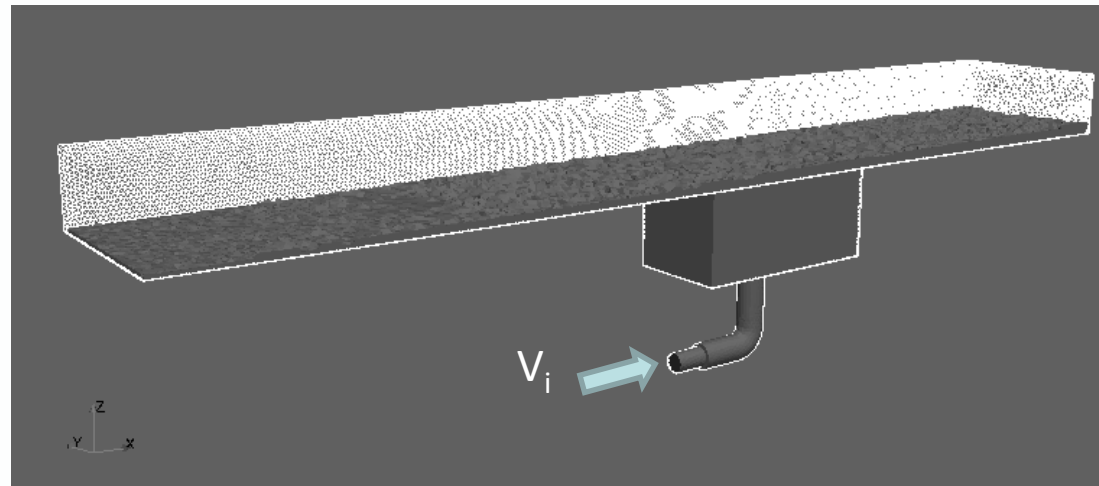
## Boundary conditions



(Lencastre, 1987)

# MESH 3 - Gully with Inlet Curve and Energy Losses (GICEL)

## Initial Conditions



|    | <b>Q (m<sup>3</sup>/s)</b> | <b>D (m)</b> | <b>V<sub>i</sub> (m/s)</b> |
|----|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Q2 | 0.002                      | 0.06         | 0.707                      |
| Q4 | 0.004                      | 0.06         | 1.414                      |
| Q6 | 0.006                      | 0.06         | 2.122                      |

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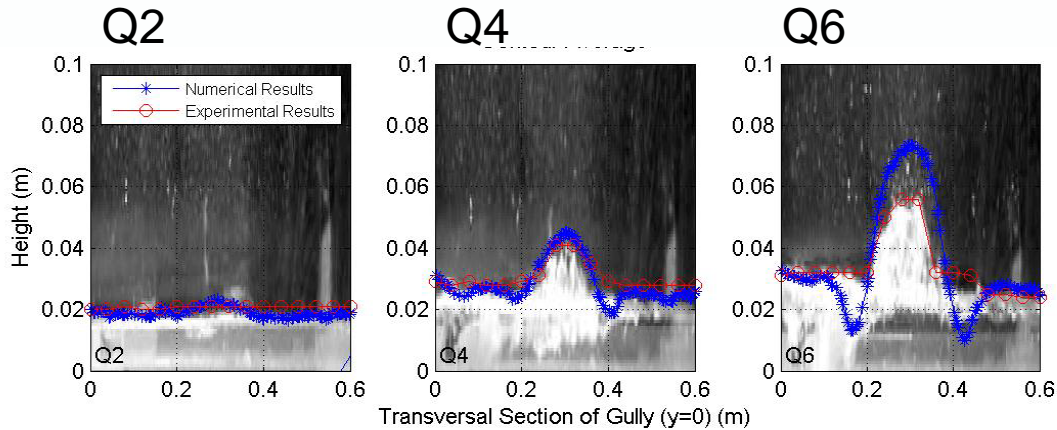
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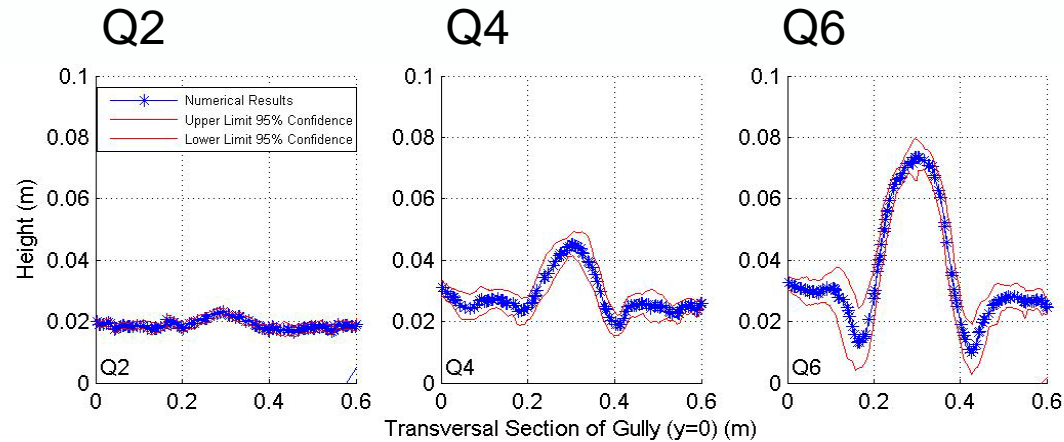
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## Contour Average



## Limits of 95% confidence interval for the average



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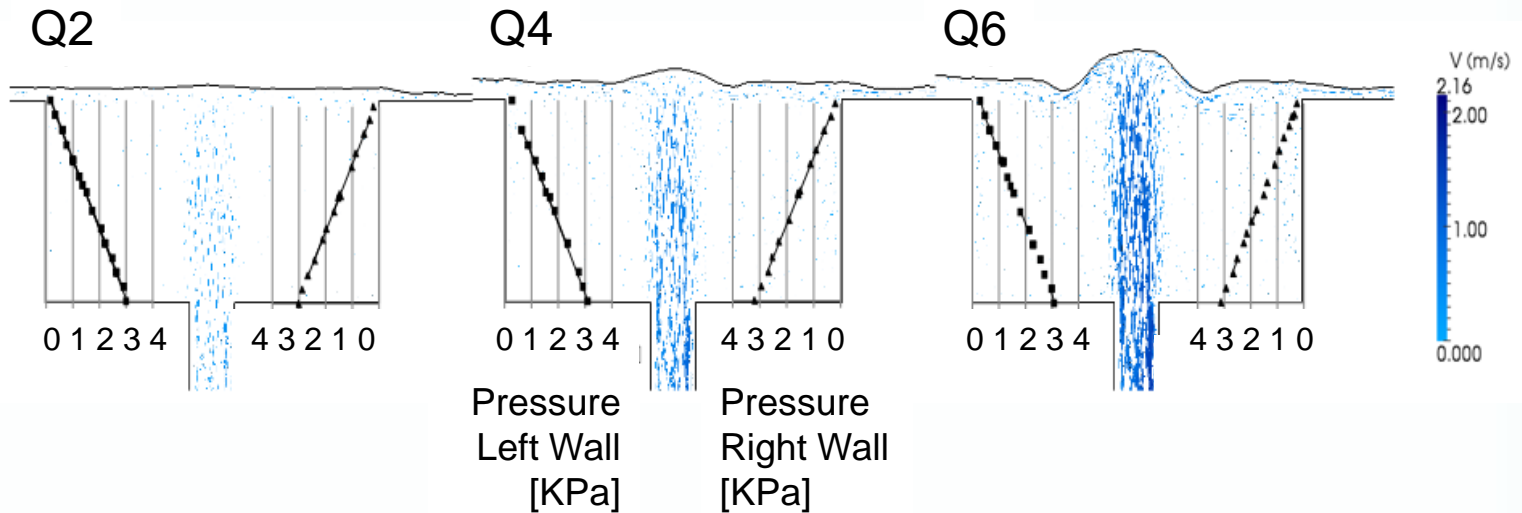
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## Pressure at left and right wall

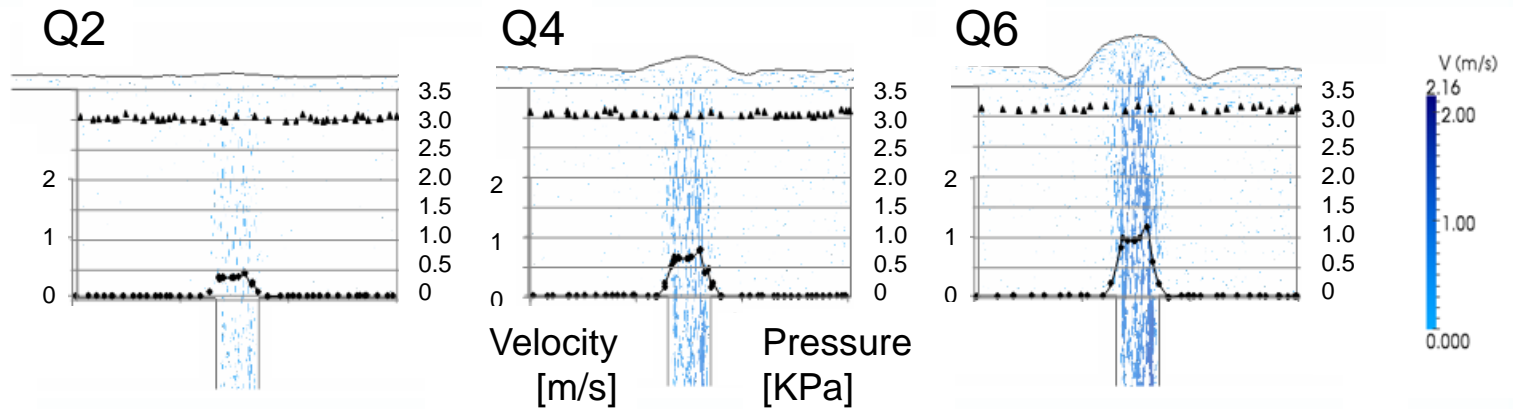


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## Velocity and pressure at gully bottom



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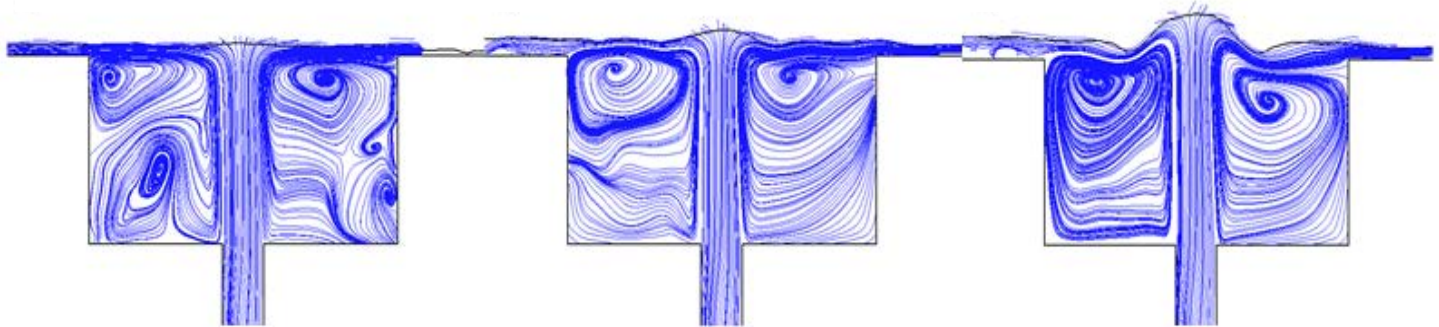
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## Stream Lines

Q2

Q4

Q6



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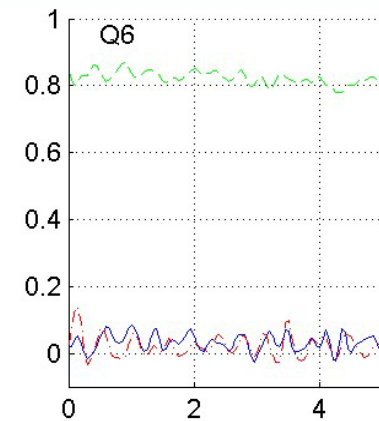
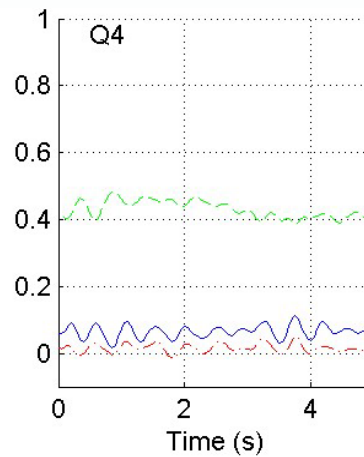
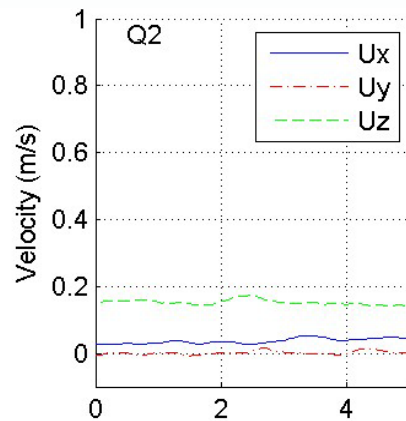
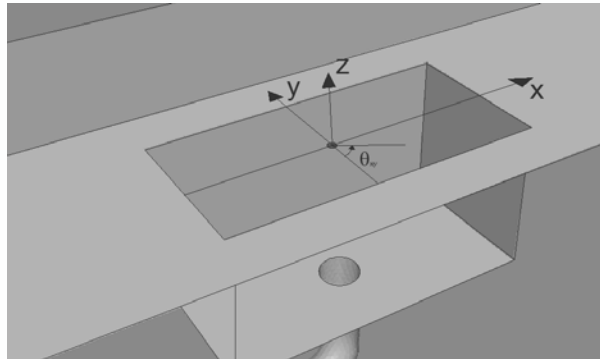
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## Velocities in directions x, y and z



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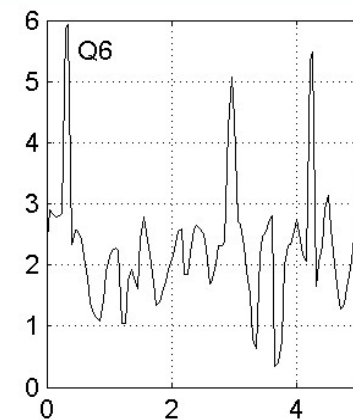
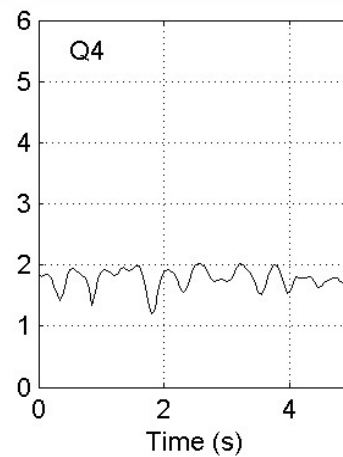
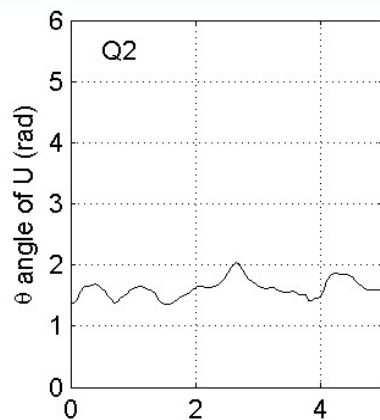
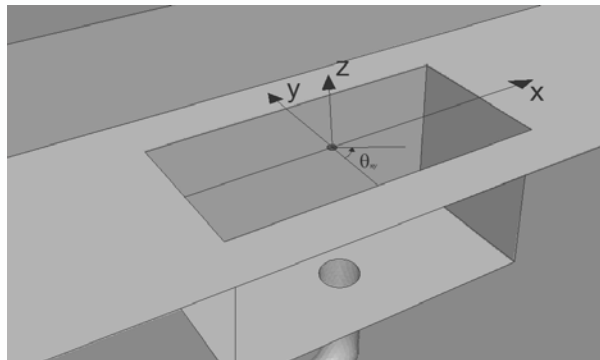
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## Angular variation of velocity



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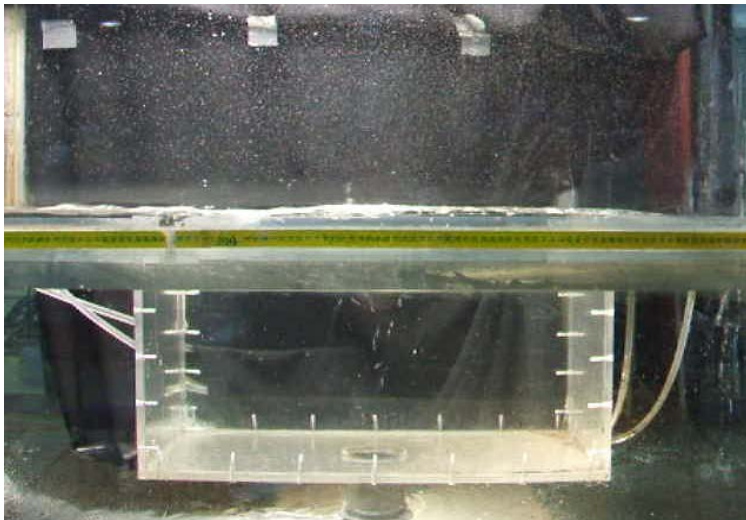
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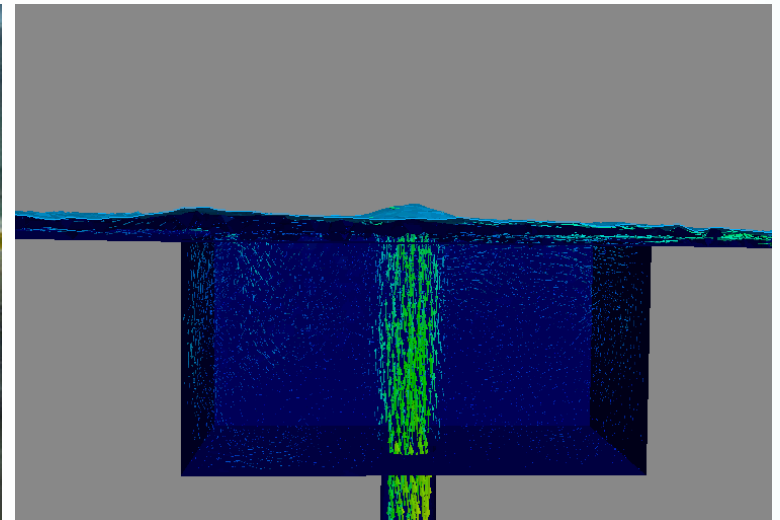
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## Experimental Q4

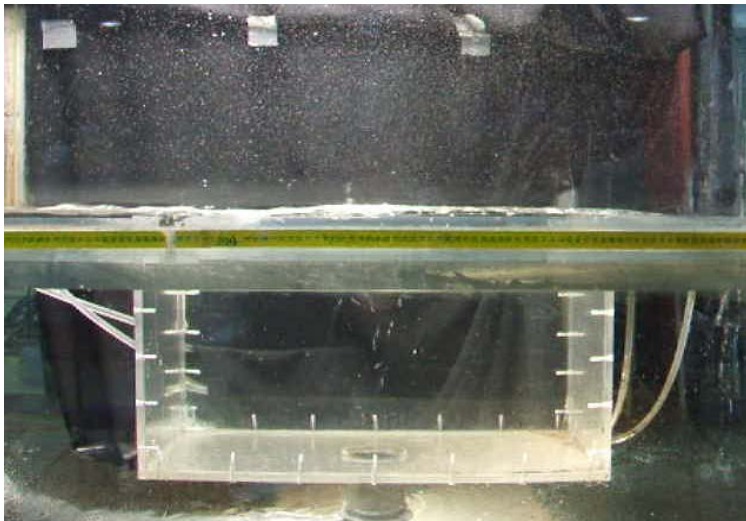


## Numerical Q4 (using laminar)

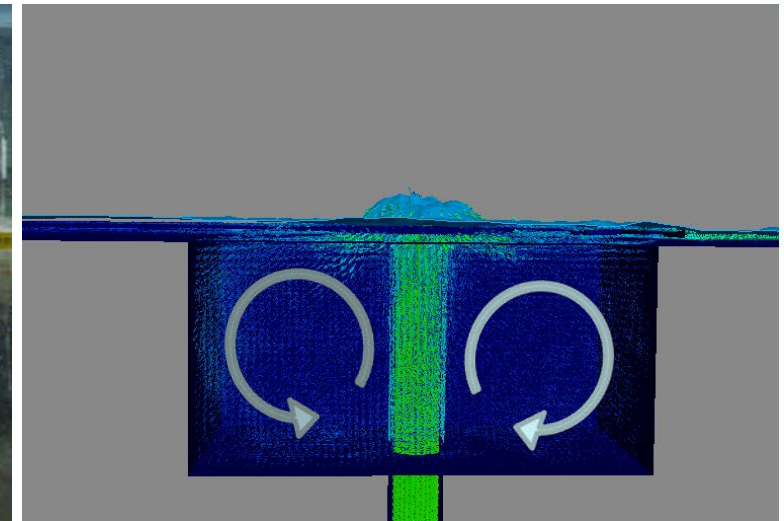


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## Experimental Q4



## Numerical Q4 (using LES)



Further testing, using LES

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Useful tool

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Mesh generation and experimental setup;

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Fully characterized.

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