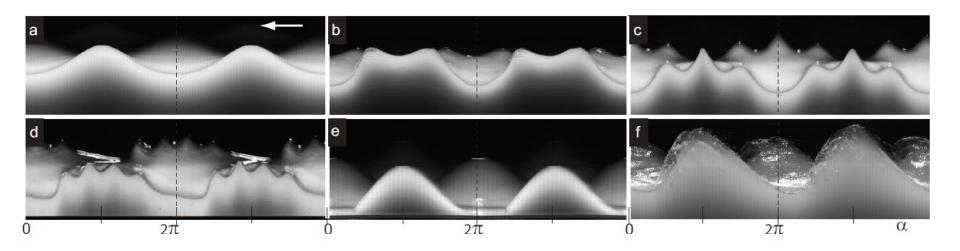
# AEROELASTICITY AND FLUID-STRUCTURE INTERACTION



**Chapter 8: Sloshing Dynamics** 



 Definition: Sloshing is the oscillating motion of the free surface of a liquid within a partially filled container

• Main causes: Acceleration of the container, air flow (wind), ...

Variety of examples:

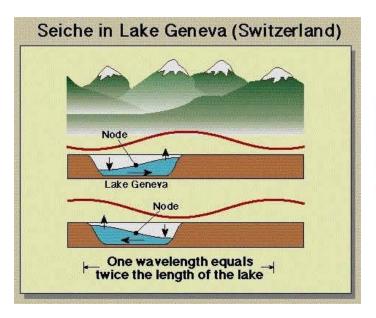
Liquid transportation (trucks and tankers)

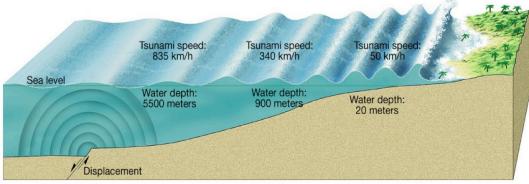
• Ballast, or fuel tanks of large ships

Aircraft and rocket fuel tanks



- Variety of examples:
  - Large waves in oceans, lakes, harbors and storage tanks due to earthquakes (Seiche and tsunamis)





"Seiche is a Swiss French dialect word meaning to sway back and forth and is used by hydrologists to describe an oscillating wave form found in enclosed or partially enclosed bodies of water. The term was picked up and promoted by François-Alphonse Forel, who made the first scientific observations of them on Switzerland's Lake Geneva in the 1890s"



#### Variety of examples:

NATURE | NEWS

#### Ancient tsunami devastated Lake Geneva shoreline

Sediments suggest wave was triggered by massive rock fall, highlighting risk to modern lakeside communities.

#### Jessica Marshall

28 October 2012

In ad 563, more than a century after the Romans gave up control of what is now Geneva, Switzerland, a deadly tsunami on Lake Geneva poured over the city walls. Originating from a rock fall where the River Rhône enters at the opposite end of the lake to Geneva, the tsunami destroyed surrounding villages, people and livestock, according to two known historical accounts.

Researchers now report the first geological evidence from the lake to support these ancient accounts. The findings, published online in *Nature Geoscience*, suggest that the region would be wise to evaluate the risk today, with more than one million inhabitants living on the lake's shores, including 200,000 people in Geneva alone <sup>1</sup>.

"It's certainly happened before and I think we can expect that it will probably happen again sometime," says geologist Guy Simpson, from the University of Geneva, one of the researchers behind the project.



Radius Images/Alamy

The Swiss city of Geneva could be at risk of flooding should a major rock fall trigger a tsunami on Lake Geneva, as seems to have happened in ad 563.



#### Variety of examples:

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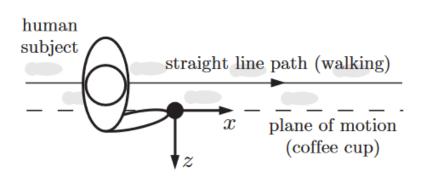
Walking with coffee: Why does it spill?

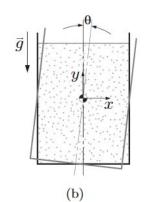
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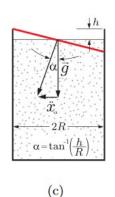
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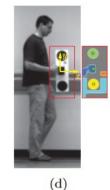
In our busy lives, almost all of us have to walk with a cup of coffee. While often we spill the drink, this familiar phenomenon has never been explored systematically. Here we report on the results of an experimental study of the conditions under which coffee spills for various walking speeds and initial liquid levels in the cup. These observations are analyzed from the dynamical systems and fluid mechanics viewpoints as well as with the help of a model developed here. Particularities of the common cup sizes, the coffee properties, and the biomechanics of walking proved to be responsible for the spilling phenomenon. The studied problem represents an example of the interplay between the complex motion of a cup, due to the biomechanics of a walking individual, and the low-viscosity-liquid dynamics in it.

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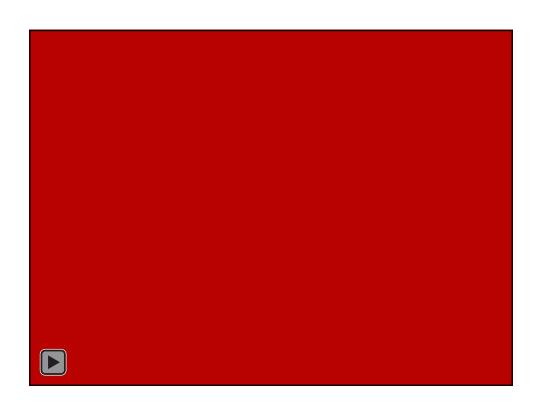








- Variety of examples:
  - Damping for large civil structures



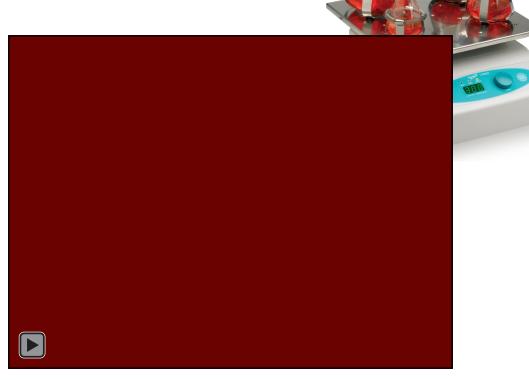


Tuned liquid "sloshing" mass damper Highcliff Apartments, Hong Kong, 1995.



- Variety of examples:
  - Orbital sloshing as a tool to improve mixing and gas exchange
    - Bioreactors for cell cultivation
    - Food processing





- Variety of examples: Wine swirling
  - M. Reclari, EPFL 2011

#### The Telegraph

Why swirling wine in a glass makes it taste better

Wine buffs who swirl their drink in a glass are using the sophisticated physics of way technology to unleash the flavour, scientists say.



Swirling a glass of wine churns the liquid as it travels, drawing in oxygen from the air and intensifying the smell Photo: ALAMY

## La science fait danser le vin dans les verres

Par Cyrille Vanlerberghe



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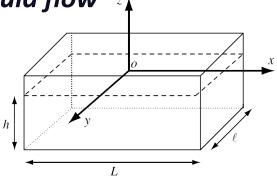
La technique « d'agitation orbitale» d'un verre de vin pourrait s'appliquer à une cuve de plusieurs milliers de litres servant à la culture de cellules. ALEJANDRO PAGNI/AFP

VIDÉO - Des chercheurs suisses tentent de déterminer les meilleurs paramètres de rotation pour libérer les arômes d'un grand cru.



- Linear sloshing dynamics in a 2D container Assumptions :
  - 2D rectangular rigid container ( $l\gg L$ )
  - Incompressible, inviscid and irrotational liquid flow
- Equations of motion (Euler):

$$\begin{cases} \nabla u = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (u \cdot \nabla)u = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p - \nabla(gz) \end{cases}$$



Irrotational 
$$\Rightarrow \nabla \times u = 0 \Rightarrow u = -\nabla \varphi \quad (\varphi : velocity potential function)$$

$$\Rightarrow (u. \nabla)u = \frac{1}{2}\nabla u^2 - u \times (\nabla \times u) = \frac{1}{2}\nabla u^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \left( \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{u^2}{2} + gz - \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{u^2}{2} + gz - \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = C(t)$$

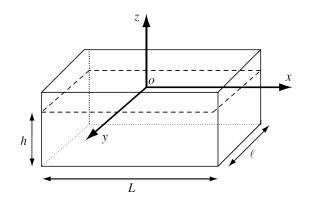
C(t) is an arbitrary function of time

Incompressible  $\Rightarrow \nabla u = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla^2 \varphi = 0$  (Laplace equation)



- Linear sloshing dynamics in a 2D container:
  - A Laplace problem:  $\nabla^2 \varphi = 0$  with the boundary conditions:

$$\left. \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \right|_{x=\pm L/2} = 0 \qquad \left. \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} \right|_{z=-h} = 0$$



... The solution reads:

$$\varphi(x,y,z,t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left[\alpha_m(t)\cos(k_m x) + \beta_m(t)\sin(k_m x)\right] \cosh[k_m(z+h)]$$

where  $k_m=(2m-1)\pi/L$  for asymmetric modes and  $k_m=2m\pi/L$  for symmetric modes



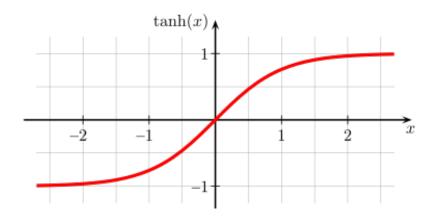
- Linear sloshing dynamics in a 2D container:
  - The natural frequencies of the free surface are given by :

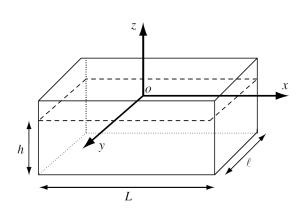
$$\omega_m^2 = gk_m tanh(k_m h)$$

• For deep liquids  $(h\gg 2L)$  :  $tanh(k_mh){\sim}1$  o  $\omega_m^2pprox gk_m$ 

where  $k_m$ =(2m-1) $\pi$ /L for asymmetric modes and  $k_m$ =2m $\pi$ /L for symmetric modes

First asymmetric mode 
$$(m=1)$$
:  $\omega_1^2 \approx \frac{2\pi g}{L}$ 





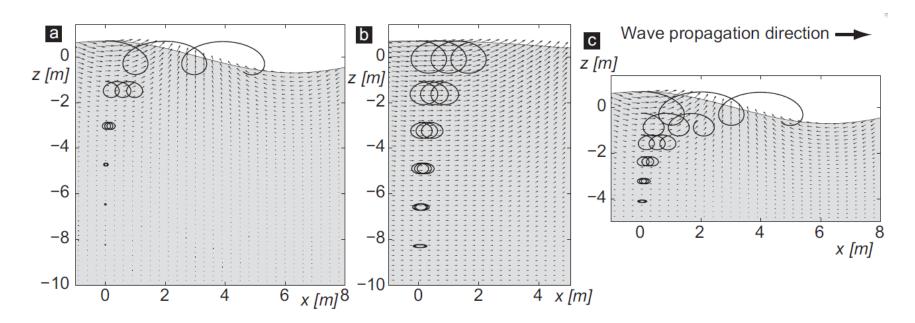


- Linear sloshing dynamics in a large container:
  - Liquid motion due to a non-breaking wave : Stokes drift

Linear wave velocity fields and trajectories followed by groups of particles released at  $x_0$ =0 and various depths ( $z_0$ ) during 3 periods, for waves with different characteristics. The free surface height and the velocity fields are depicted at t = 3T.

**a:**  $H_0$ =10m, k =0.5, a =0.7m. **b:**  $H_0$ =10m, k =0.2, a =0.7m.

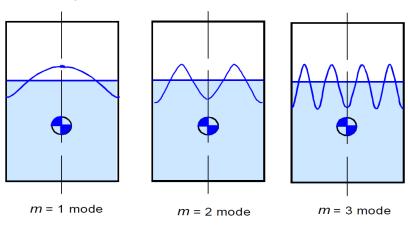
**c:**  $H_0$ =2m, k =0.5,  $\alpha$  =0.7m. (k =2 $\pi/\lambda$ ) is the wave number,  $\lambda$  being the wavelength)





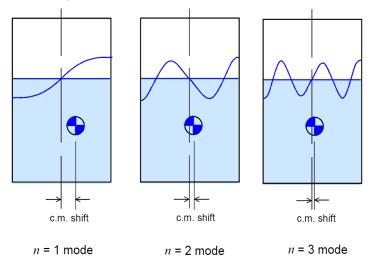
Linear sloshing dynamics in a 2D container:

#### 1<sup>st</sup> symmetric modes (m=1, 2, 3)



Produces no drift, no lateral forces, no torque

#### 1<sup>st</sup> asymmetric modes (n=1, 2, 3)

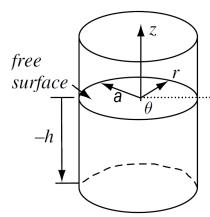


Produces drift, lateral forces and torque Maximum drift due to 1st mode (n=1)

- Linear sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container Assumptions :
  - Cylindrical rigid container
  - Incompressible, inviscid and irrotational flow
- Equations of motion: Derivation of the sloshing velocity potential is similar to the rectangular container. The main difference is that the sines & cosines are replaced by Bessel functions  $J_1(r)$  of the 1<sup>st</sup> kind (relevant solutions of Bernoulli Eq. in cylindrical coordinates).
- The eigen solutions and eigenvalues are:

$$\Phi_{mn}(r,z) = J_1 \left(\frac{\lambda_{mn}r}{a}\right) \cos(m\theta) \frac{\cosh[\lambda_{mn}(z/a + h/2a)]}{\cosh[\lambda_n h/a]}$$

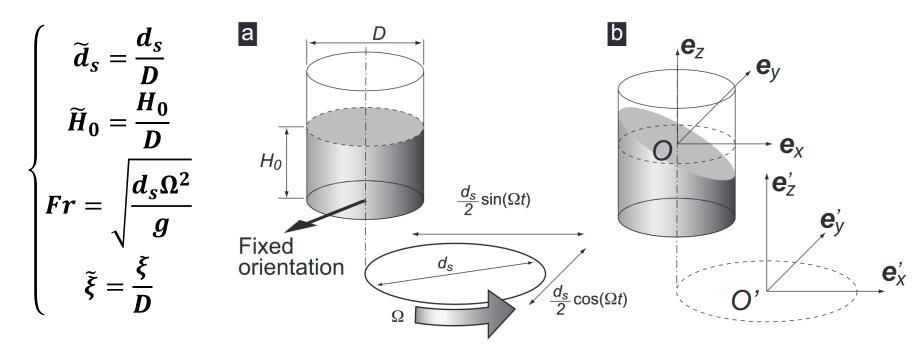
$$\omega_{mn}^2 = \frac{g\lambda_{mn}}{a} \tanh\left(\frac{\lambda_{mn}h}{a}\right)$$



where r and  $\theta$  are the radial and angular coordinates, a is the tank radius, and  $\lambda_{mn}$  is a root of the eigenvalue equation  $dJ_1(\lambda r/a)/dr = 0$  for r = a.



- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container Assumptions :
  - Upright rigid cylinder
    - Diameter: D, liquid height at rest: $H_0$ , Eccentricity: ds, Rotational speed:  $\Omega$ , Interface position:  $\xi$
  - Incompressible, inviscid and irrotational liquid flow
  - Small oscillation amplitude of the interface
- Non-dimensional numbers:





- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container:
  - Motion of the container (anywhere in the solid):

### Displacement

$$X_0(r, \theta, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{d_s}{2} cos(\Omega t - \theta)e_r \\ \frac{d_s}{2} sin(\Omega t - \theta)e_{\theta} \end{cases}$$

## Velocity

$$X_{0}(r,\theta,t) = \begin{cases} \frac{d_{s}}{2}cos(\Omega t - \theta)e_{r} \\ \frac{d_{s}}{2}sin(\Omega t - \theta)e_{\theta} \end{cases} \dot{X}_{0}(r,\theta,t) = \begin{cases} -\frac{d_{s}\Omega}{2}sin(\Omega t - \theta)e_{r} \\ \frac{d_{s}\Omega}{2}cos(\Omega t - \theta)e_{\theta} \end{cases}$$

Fluid motion:

$$\nabla^{2}\varphi = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial r}\bigg|_{r=D/2} = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z}\bigg|_{z=-H_{0}} = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z}\bigg|_{z=\xi} = \frac{\partial\xi}{\partial t}$$
$$\left[\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial t} - \frac{d_{s}\Omega^{2}r}{2}cos(\Omega t - \theta) + gz\right]_{z=\xi} = 0$$

For more information, refer to M. Reclari, Hydrodynamics of orbital shaken bioreactors, EPFL Thesis 2014



- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container:
  - The solution of Laplace's equation is obtained by a variables separation and by assuming exponential, harmonic and Bessel's functions, respectively for axial, tangential and radial directions.
  - The solution reads:

$$\tilde{\Phi}(r,\theta,z,t) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \alpha_{mn}(t) \cos m\theta + \beta_{mn}(t) \sin m\theta \right] J_m(\lambda_{mn}r) \frac{\cosh[\lambda_{mn}(z+H_0)]}{\cosh\lambda_{mn}H_0}$$

Where:  $\alpha_{mn}$  and  $\beta_{mn}$  are time dependent functions,  $J_m$  are the Bessel's function of the first kind of order m,  $\lambda_{mn} = \varepsilon_{mn} / (D/2)$  are the roots of  $\partial J_m(\lambda_{mn}r)/\partial r = 0$  at r = D/2

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- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - The natural frequencies of the free surface oscillations are found for non forcing case ( $\Omega$ =0) and assuming

$$\alpha_{mn} = a_{mn} \cos \omega_{mn} t \text{ and } \beta_{mn} = b_{mn} \sin \omega_{mn} t$$

$$\omega_{mn}^2 = g \lambda_{mn} \tanh(\lambda_{mn} H_0) = \frac{2g \varepsilon_{mn}}{D} \tanh\left(\frac{2\varepsilon_{mn} H_0}{D}\right)$$

 $^{\prime}\mathcal{E}mn$  Roots of the derivative of the Bessel's function of the first kind

	n=1	n=2	n=3	n=4	n=5
m=0	3.8317059702	7.0155866698	10.173468135	13.323691936	16.470630051
m=1	1.8411837813	5.3314427735	8.5363163663	11.706004903	14.863588634
m=2	3.0542369282	6.7061331941	9.9694678230	13.170370856	16.347522318
m=3	4.2011889412	8.0152365983	11.345924310	14.585848286	17.788747866
m=4	5.3175531260	9.2823962852	12.681908442	15.964107038	19.196028800
m=5	6.4156163757	10.519860873	13.987188630	17.312842488	20.575514521
m=6	7.5012661446	11.734935953	15.268181461	18.637443009	21.931715018
m=7	8.5778364897	12.932386237	16.529365884	19.941853367	23.268052926
m=8	9.6474216519	14.115518907	17.774012367	21.229062623	24.587197486
m=9	10.711433970	15.286737667	19.004593538	22.501398727	25.891277277
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- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - Mode shapes of the free surface oscillations

 $\omega_{mn}$  are given in [rad/s] for D=0.287 m and H<sub>0</sub>=0.15 m

36.23

37.50

34.87



38.72

39.88

41.00

33.43

- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - The free surface elevation  $\xi$ , under forcing:
    - Rotation speed  $\Omega$  and eccentricity  $d_s$
    - Modes (m=1, n) are the most likely to be excited

$$\xi(r,\theta,t) = \frac{d_s\Omega^2}{2g}\cos(\Omega t - \theta) \cdot \left\{ r + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{D}{(\varepsilon_{1n}^2 - 1)} \frac{\Omega^2}{(\omega_{1n}^2 - \Omega^2)} \frac{J_1(2\varepsilon_{1n}r/D)}{J_1(\varepsilon_{1n})} \right] \right\}$$

Non dimensional form:

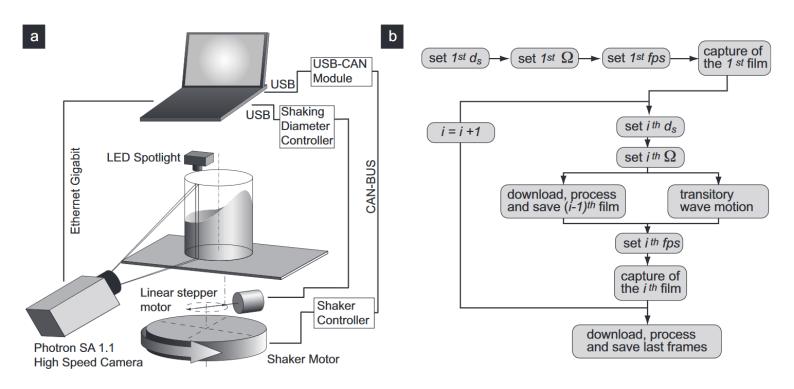
$$\begin{split} \tilde{\xi}(\tilde{r},\theta,t) &= \frac{Fr^2}{2}\cos(\theta - \Omega t) \left\{ \tilde{r} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{(\varepsilon_{1n}^2 - 1)} \frac{Fr^2}{(Fr_{1n}^2 - Fr^2)} \frac{J_1(2\varepsilon_{1n}\tilde{r})}{J_1(\varepsilon_{1n})} \right] \right\} \\ Fr_{1n}^2 &= 2\varepsilon_{1n}\tilde{d}_s \tanh(2\varepsilon_{1n}\tilde{H}_0). \end{split}$$

- The free surface height increases radially as a combination of a linear function of r and of a Bessel's function
- The free surface height evolves tangentially as a sine function



- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container:
  - Experimental investigations (M. Reclari, PhD 2015):
    - A Shaking table and cylindrical containers with different radii
    - High speed visualization → Shape & amplitude of the interface
      - Automated procedure 

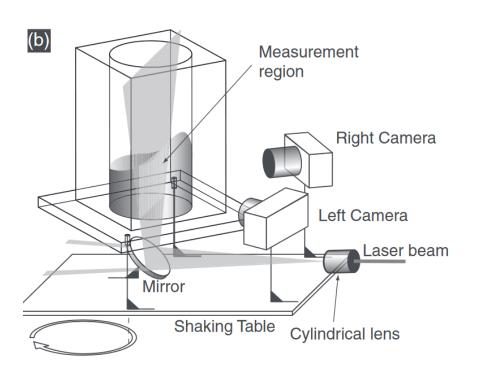
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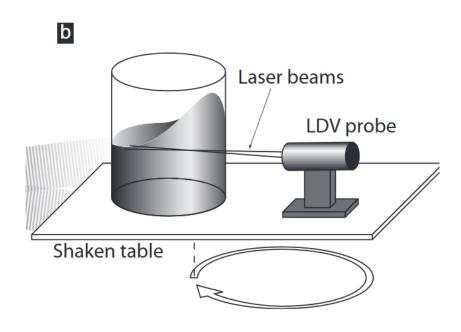




- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - Experimental investigations:
    - Stereo PIV setup 

      Measurement of the 3D velocity field
    - LDV setup → time resolved measurement of local velocities



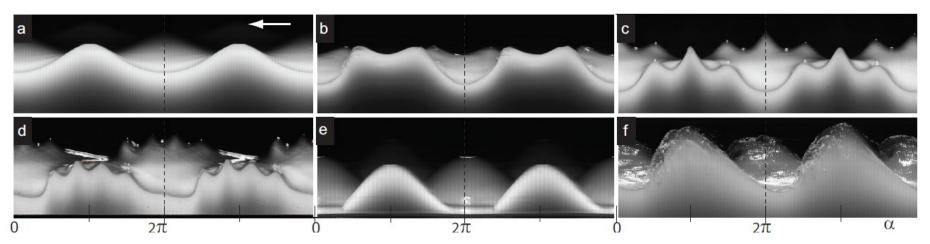




- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - Experimental observation: Wave patterns

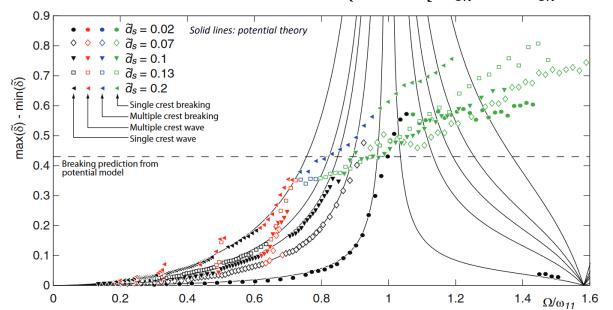
Wave patterns reconstructed from high speed movies, depicted for two revolutions of the vessel. All waves are travelling from right to left.

- a: single crested wave (the most usually observed).
- b: double crested wave.
- c: triple crested wave.
- d: quadruple crested wave.
- e: wave drying a portion of the vessel bottom.
- f: breaking single crested wave.



- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - Experimental results Wave amplitude:  $ilde{A}_{\xi}$

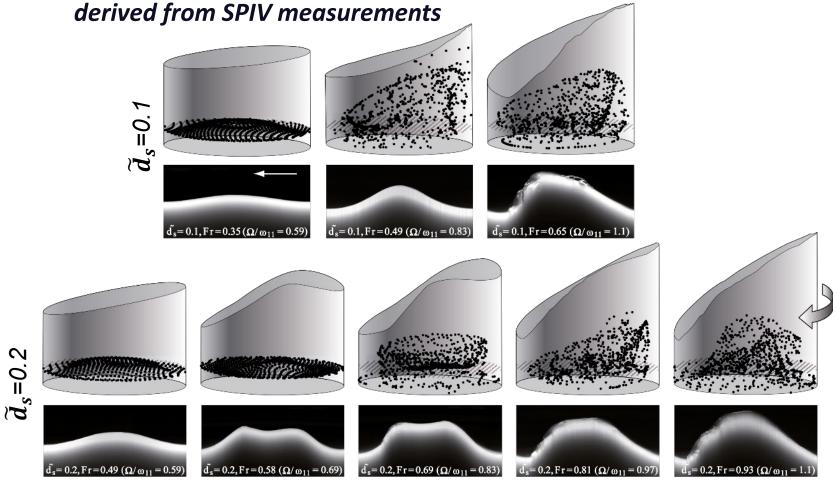
$$\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\delta}} = \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}} \left( \boldsymbol{r} = \frac{\boldsymbol{D}}{2}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{t} \right) \text{ Free surface elevation at the wall } \\ \widetilde{A}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}} = max \left( \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\delta}} \right) - min \left( \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\delta}} \right) = \frac{d_s \Omega^2}{g} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{(\varepsilon_{1n}^2 - 1)} \frac{\Omega^2}{(\omega_{1n}^2 - \Omega^2)} \right] \right\}$$



- Fair agreement with potential theory for small eccentricities and outside resonance
- Multiple crested waves, likely excited by subharmonics of the forcing frequency
- Multiple crested waves tend to break for large eccentricities



- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - Mixing performances Effect of shaking velocity and eccentricity:
  - Motion of particles released in a plane close to the container bottom

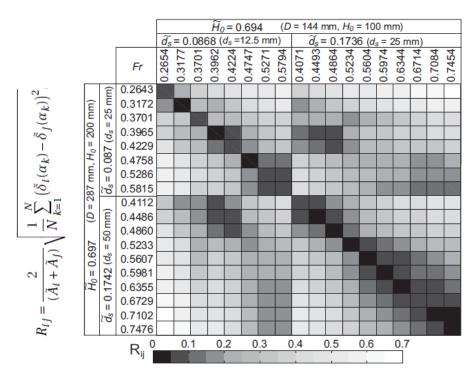




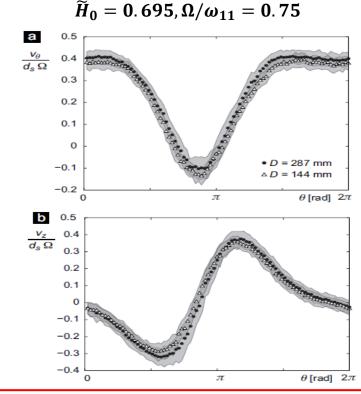
- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container :
  - Scale-up (dimensionless numbers):

$$\tilde{d_s} \equiv \frac{d_s}{D} \qquad \tilde{H}_0 \equiv \frac{H_0}{D} \qquad Fr^2 \equiv \frac{(\Omega^2 d_s)}{g} \qquad Re \equiv \frac{\rho \Omega \, d_s^2}{v} \quad \text{Comparison of LDV velocity}$$

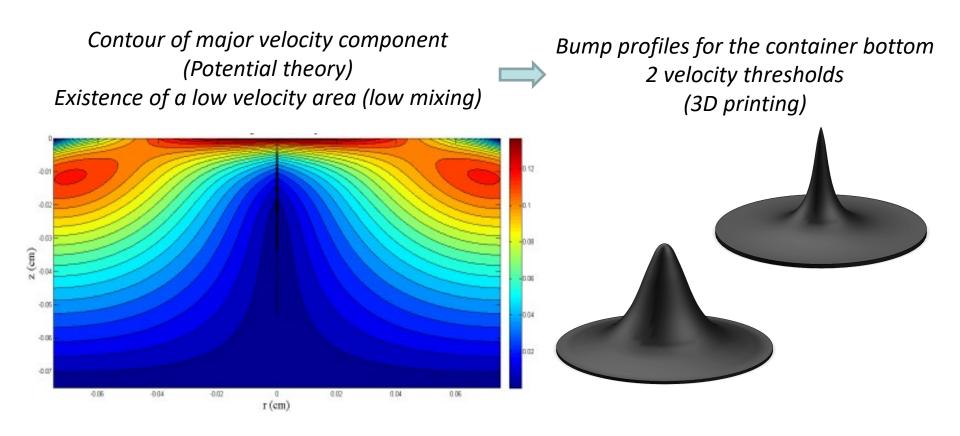
Comparison of water level for different operating conditions



Comparison of LDV velocity profiles for two container scales  $\widetilde{d}_s = 0.17, Fr = 0.597$ 



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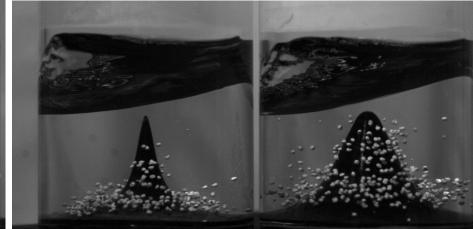
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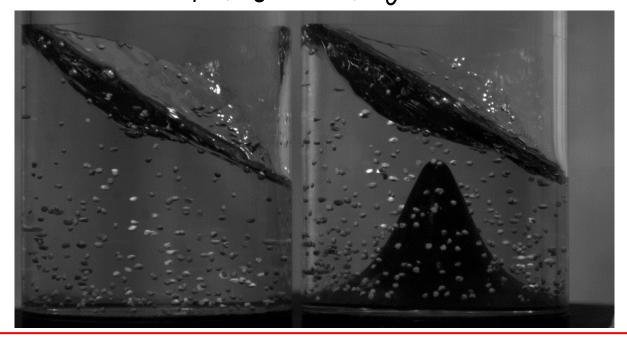






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Visualisation of mixing improvements with the bump bottom using solid particles in suspension No significant improvement in the case of breaking waves  $\Omega$ =175 rpm,  $d_S$ =44 mm,  $H_O$ =84 mm





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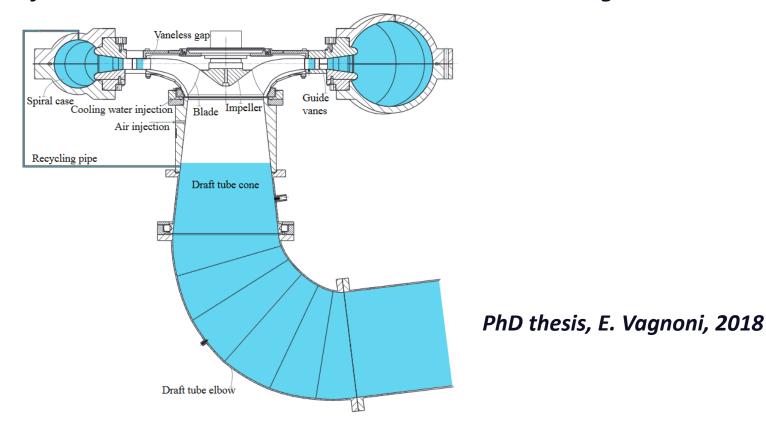
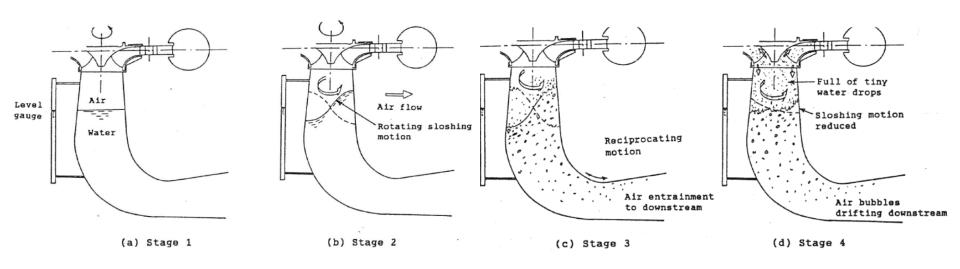


Figure 3 – Francis-type pump-turbine operating in synchronous condenser mode.



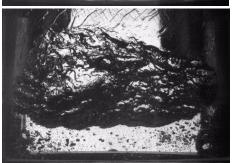
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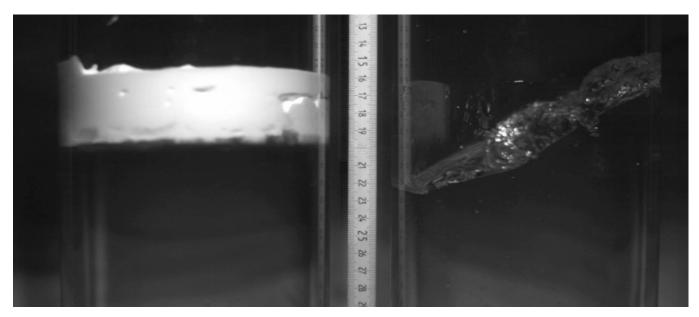
PhD thesis, E. Vagnoni, 2018



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- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container
- Damping of sloshing using foam Semester project, C. Daguet, 2016
  - Promising results for liquid transportation applications
  - Open issues: Improve the foam stability over time

$$d_s = 8$$
 [mm],  $H_0 = 20$  [cm],  $\Omega = 195$  [rpm],  $h_0 = 3$  [cm]



- Orbital sloshing dynamics in a cylindrical container
- Additional open questions:
  - Characterization of gas exchange vs operating conditions
  - Effects of viscosity
  - Orbital sloshing of non Newtonian fluids
  - Precise measurement of the free surface shape
  - Unsteady motion of the container
  - Sloshing of bubbly fluids and foams
  - Damping
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