

## Error assessment for spatio-temporally averaged moving vessel ADCP measurement in a large laboratory channel

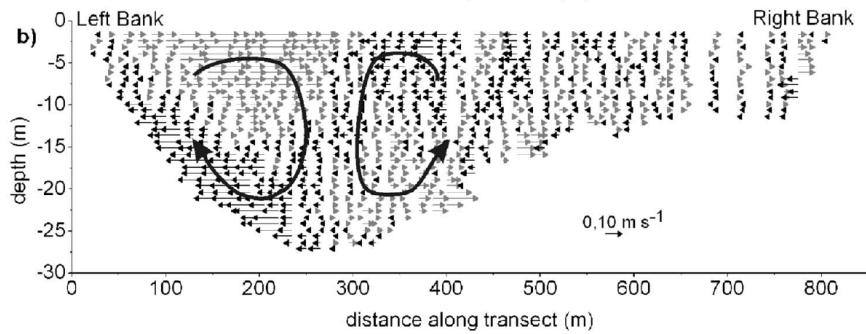
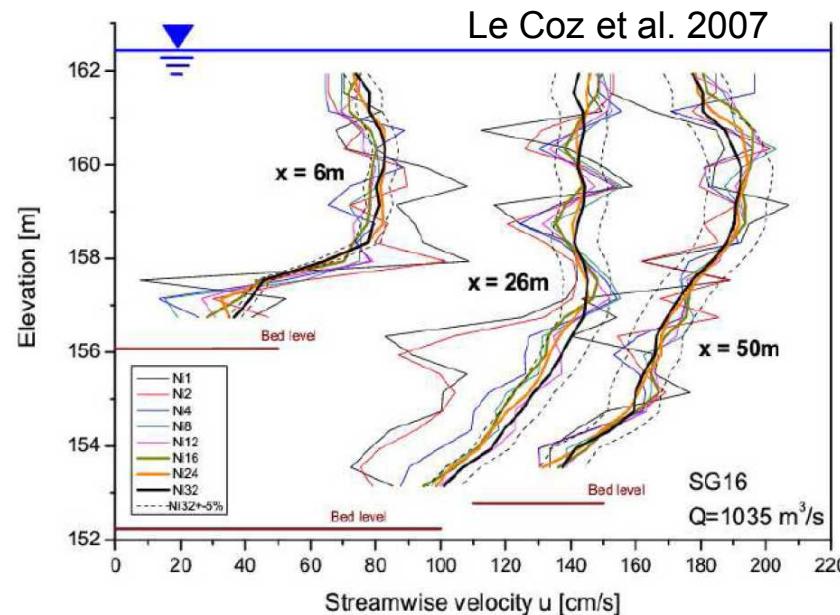
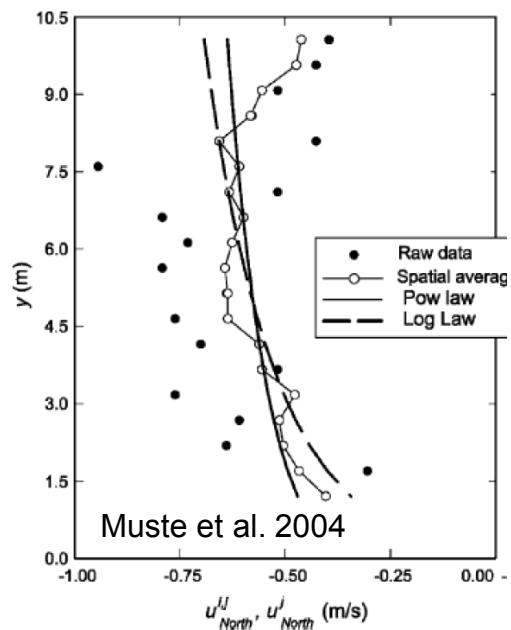
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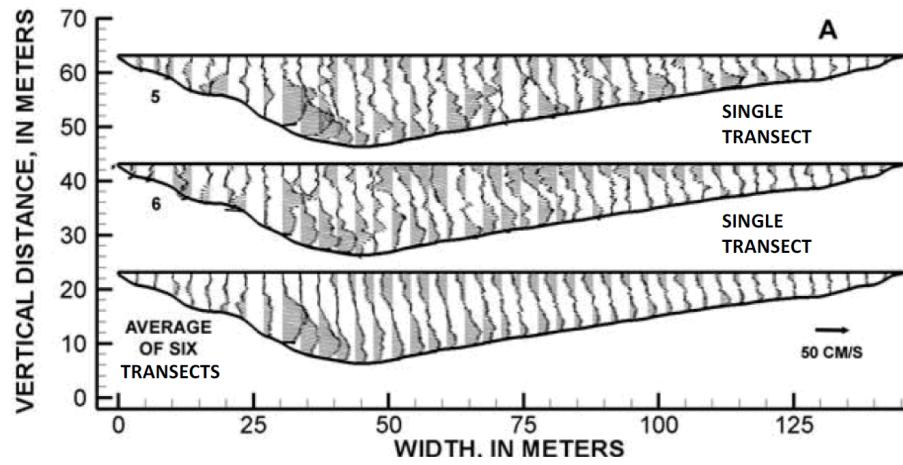


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# Spatio-Temporal Averaging (STA)



Szupiany et al. 2007



Dinehart & Burau 2005

# Research Questions

- How much improvement can STA make?
- How does boat speed ( $y_{bin}$ ) affect STA accuracy?

Approach taken:

Controlled laboratory testing – eliminate:

- Changes in flow condition
- Different ADCP paths
- Change in beam orientation

# Test Setup

- SAFL Main Channel – 85 m long, 2.75 m wide & 1.8 m deep
- Avg. velocity 0.4 m/s;  $h = 1.15$  m,  $Q = 1.27$   $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$
- $\text{Re} = 10^6$ ,  $\text{Fr} = 0.12$



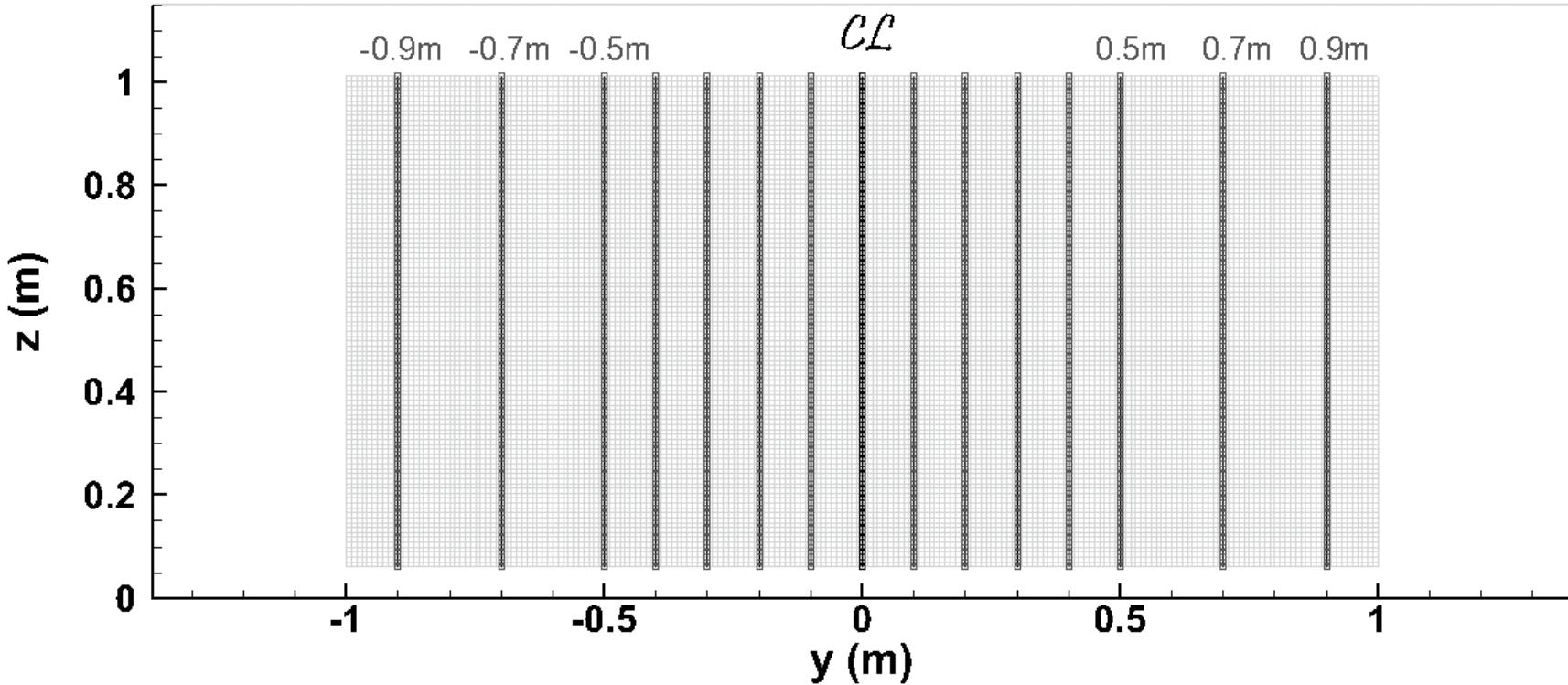
# Test Setup

- Sontek 1.5MHz PC ADP (3-beam, 15 deg. slant angle, 1Hz data output rate, first bin ~ 13cm below surface)
- Automated sensor carriage system with 0.01 mm positioning accuracy



# Measurement Cases

- 15 fixed-vessel (FV) measurements (5 minutes sampling each)
- MV measurements with 3 different horizontal bin (ybin) sizes: 8mm, 16 mm and 32 mm – zbin = 16 mm

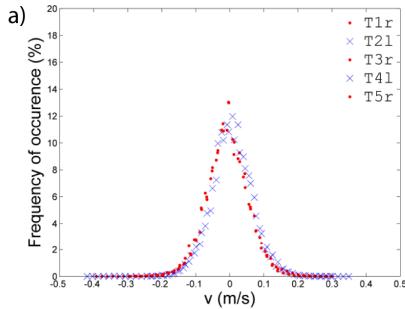


# Data Processing

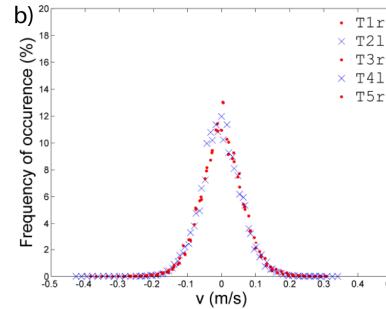
- Correction of lateral velocity

Raw data

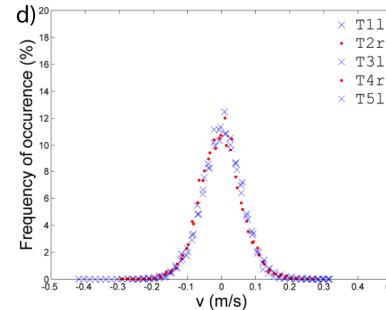
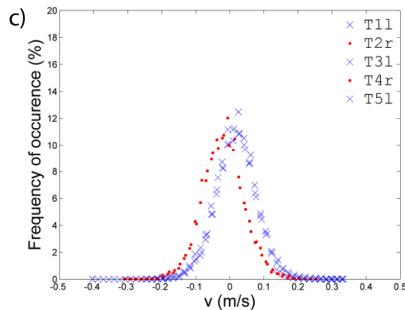
$Y_{bin} = 8 \text{ mm}$



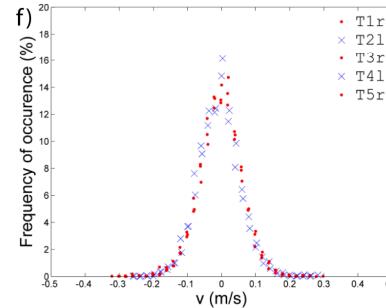
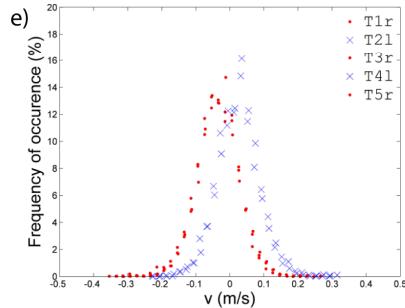
Corrected data



$Y_{bin} = 16 \text{ mm}$

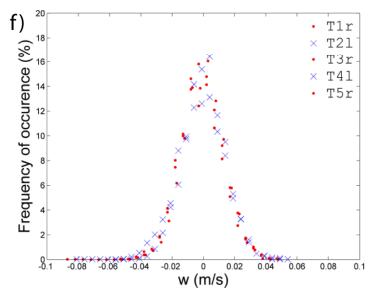
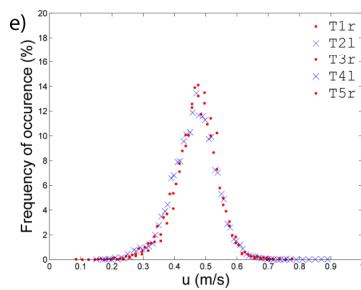
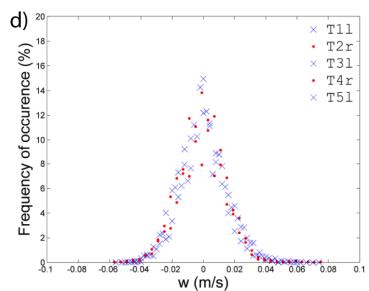
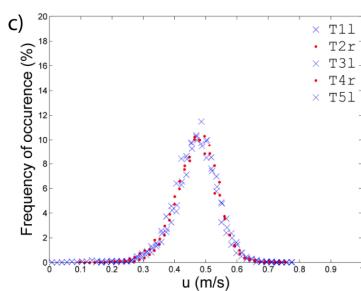
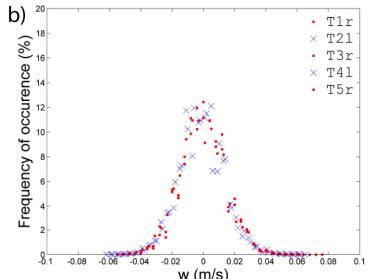
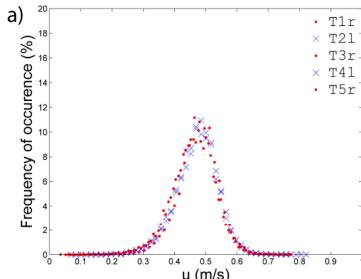


$Y_{bin} = 32 \text{ mm}$



# Data QA/QC

- No indication of directional bias



Q: Single transect Vs. avg. transects

Y bin	delta
8 mm	1.2 % (mean)
16 mm	1.2 % (mean)
32 mm	1.0 % (mean)
32 mm	2.8 % (max)

U bulk = 0.47 m/s for FV and all MV measurements

# Velocity Fields

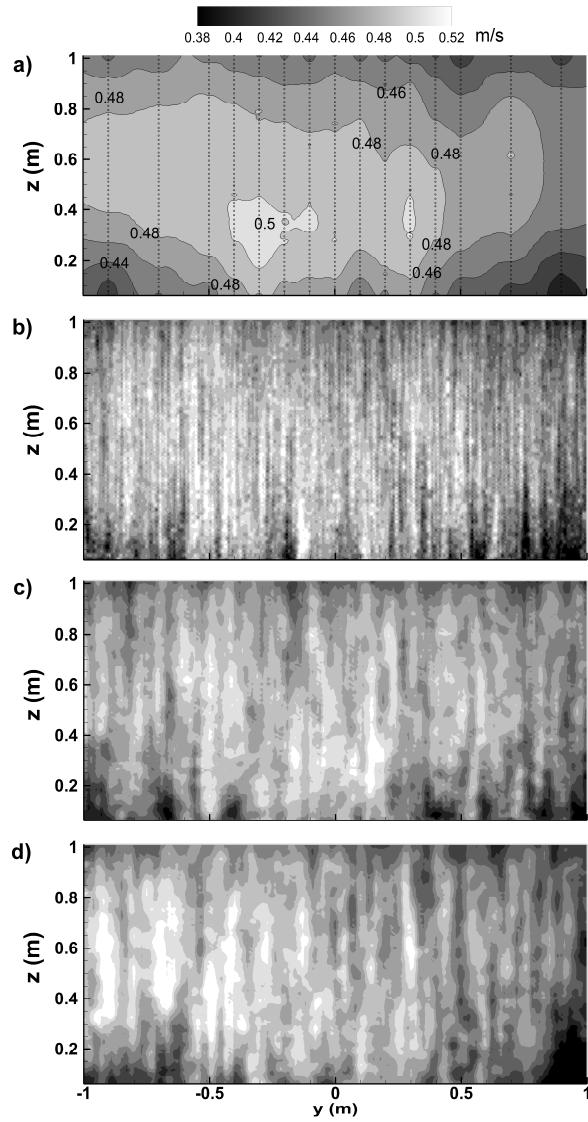
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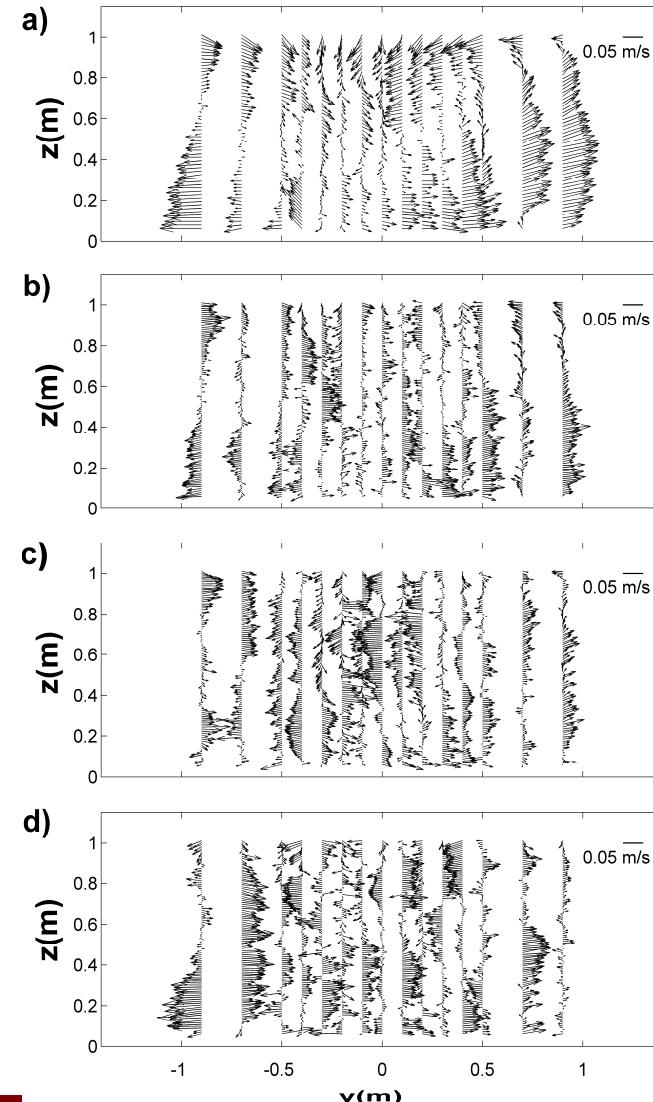
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U



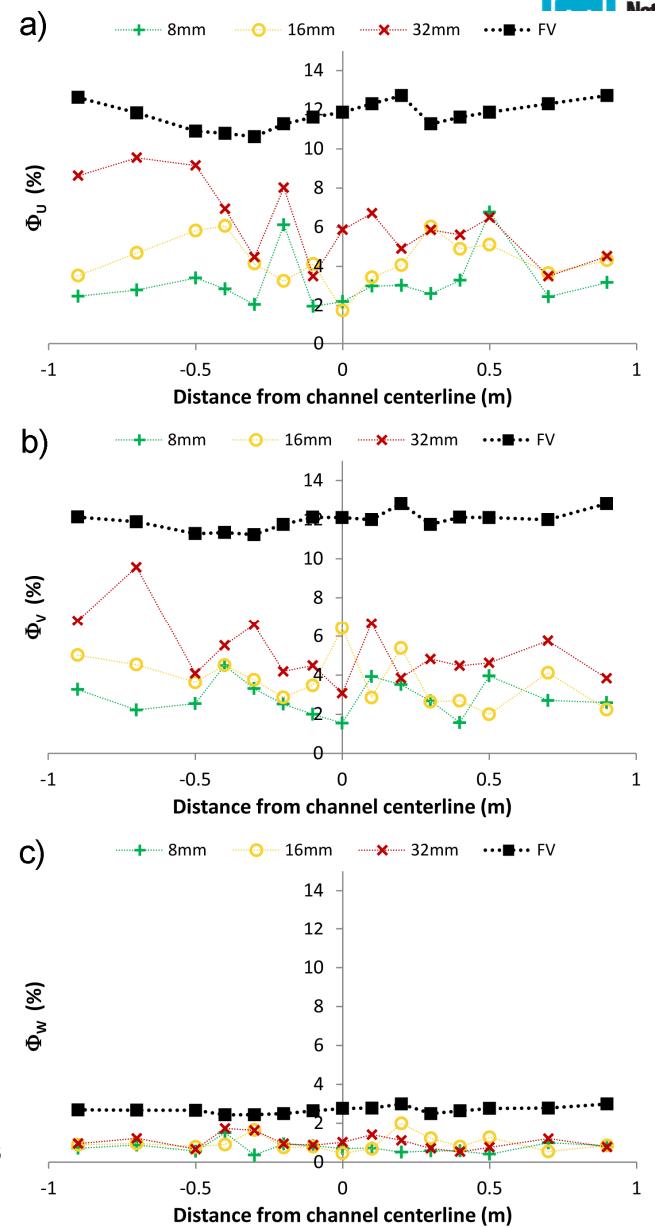
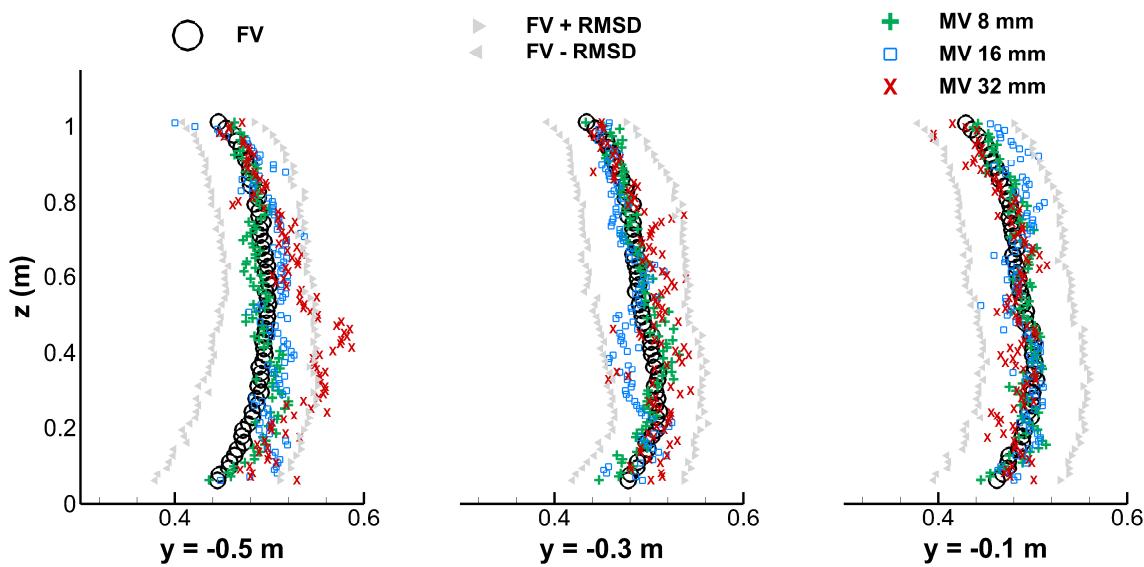
VW



# Velocity Profile Error

$$\Phi_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{STA\,i} - \bar{x}_{FV\,i})^2}}{\langle \bar{u}_{FV} \rangle}$$

$$\Phi_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m (x_{FV\,i\,j} - \bar{x}_{FV\,i})^2 \right)}}{\langle \bar{u}_{FV} \rangle}$$



# Bulk Error

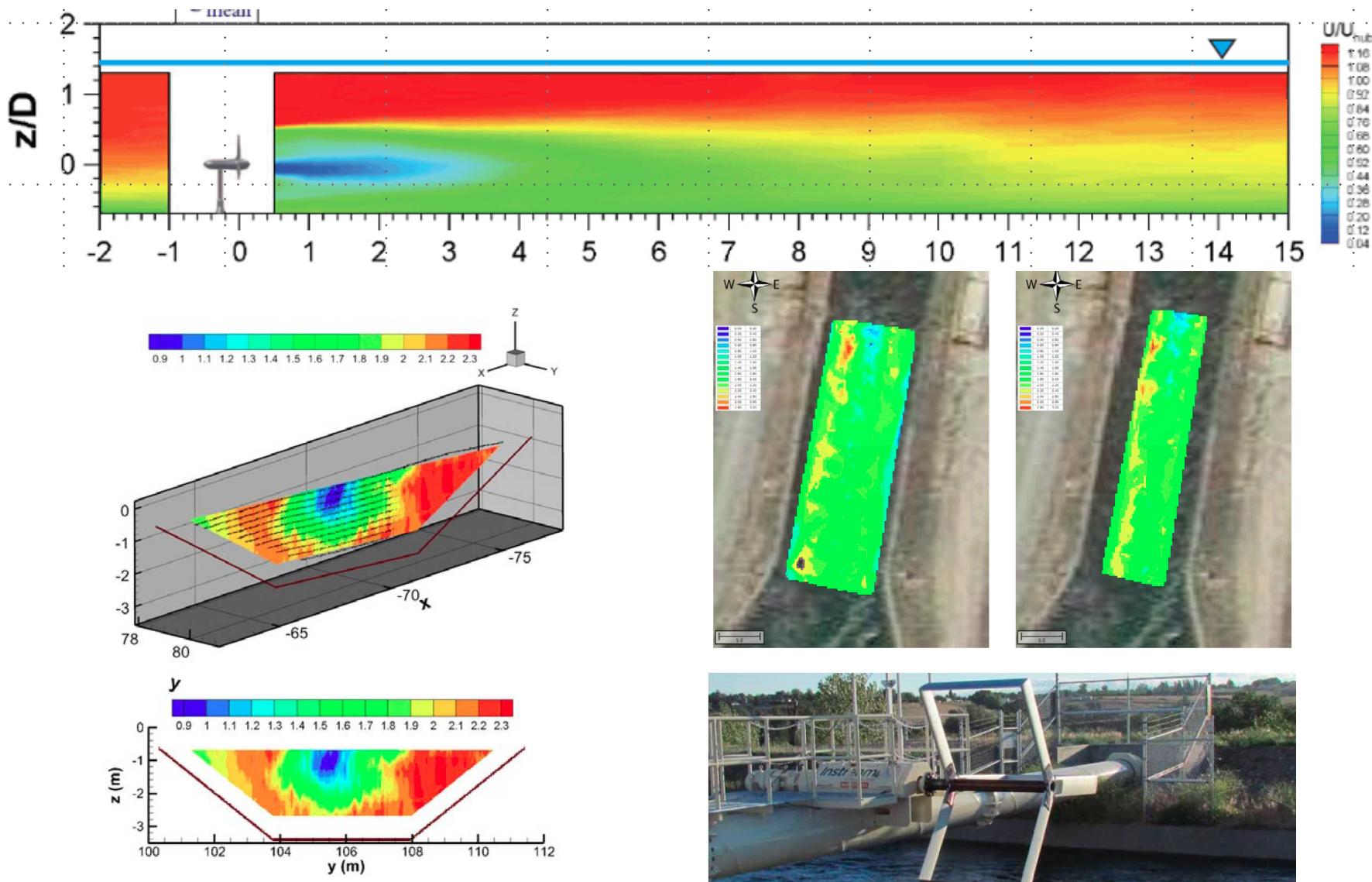
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STA MV - 8 mm bin	3.2	2.9	0.7
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STA MV - 32 mm bin	6.2	5.2	1
FV	11.8	12	2.7
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# Conclusions

- Applying STA decreased MV errors ( $u$  &  $v$ ) by an order of magnitude
- Decreasing traverse speed improved the MV & STA-MV accuracy ( $u$  &  $v$ ), but not the flow discharge
- Moving the boat increased single-ping error (indication)
- STA decreased the MV measurement accuracy to within the individual ping FV measurement error

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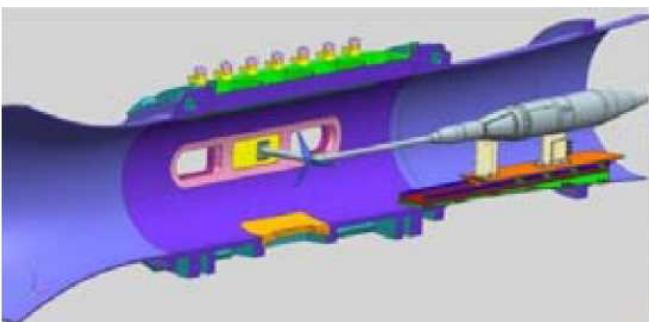
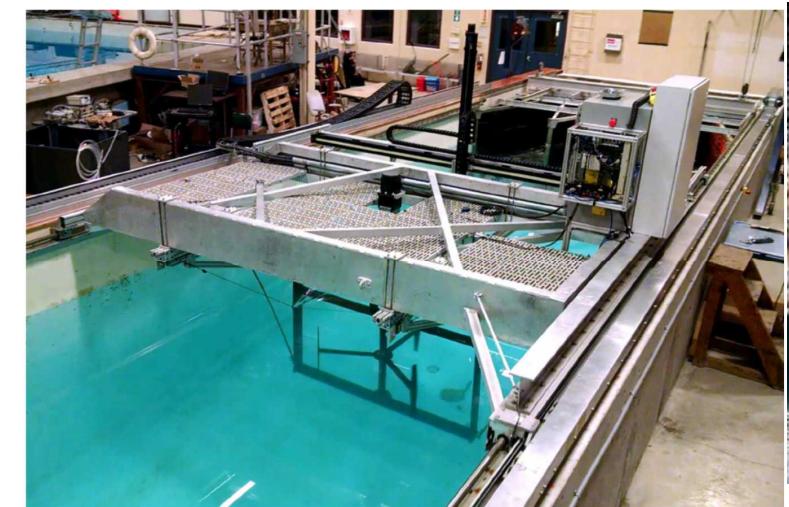
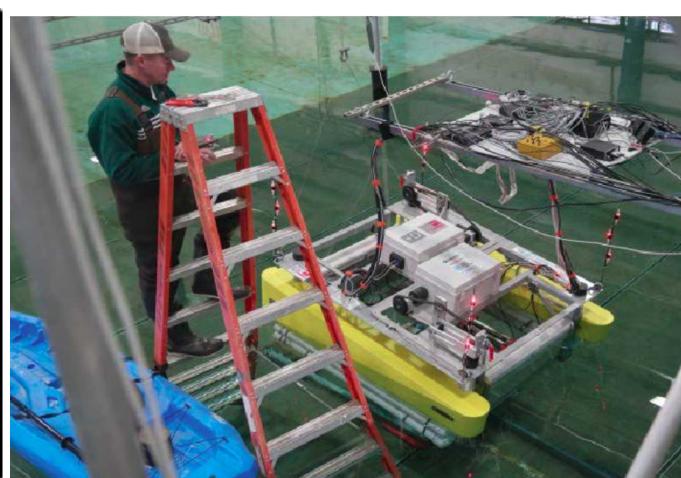
# What Next?



# Questions?

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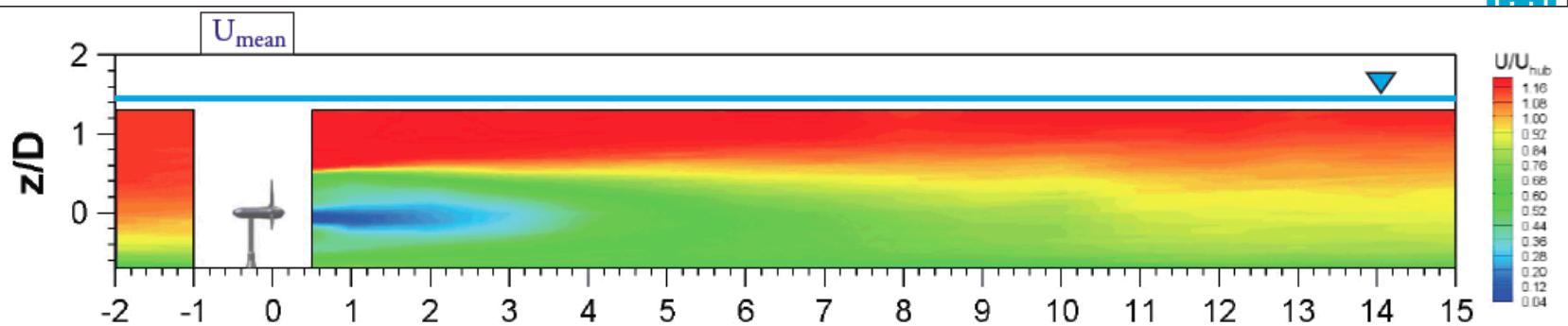


Figure C.4. Mean streamwise velocity from -2 to +15 rotor diameters along the centerplane of the turbine. (Chamorro et al.)

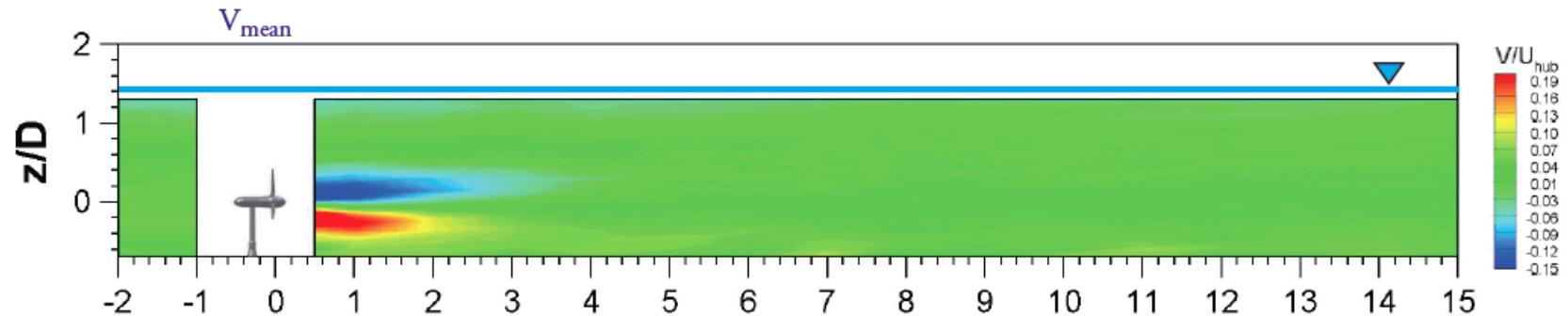


Figure C.5. Mean lateral velocity from -2 to +15 rotor diameters along the centerplane of the turbine. (Chamorro et al.)

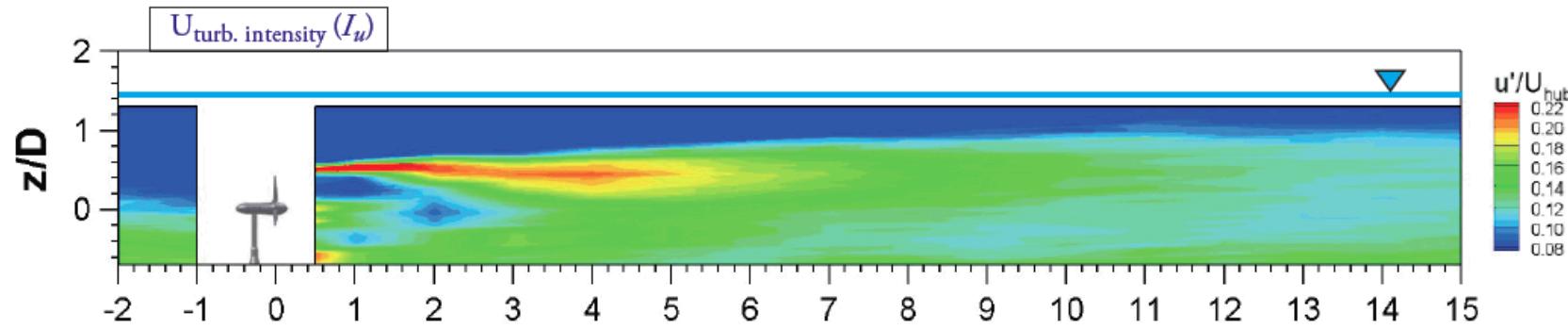
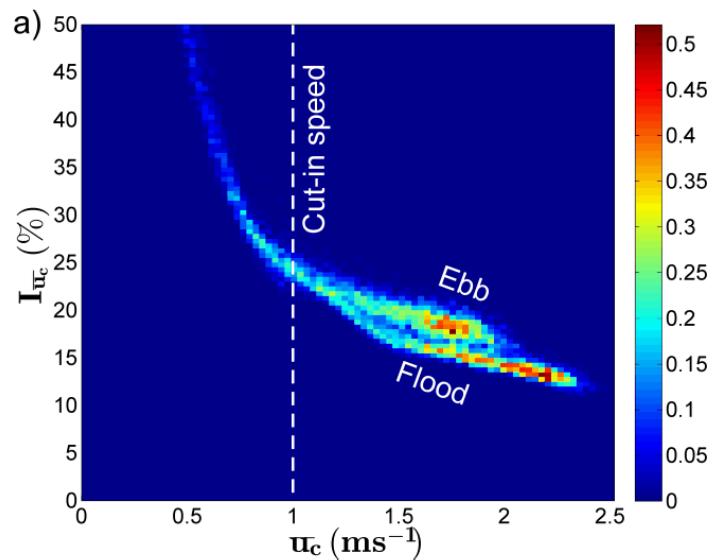
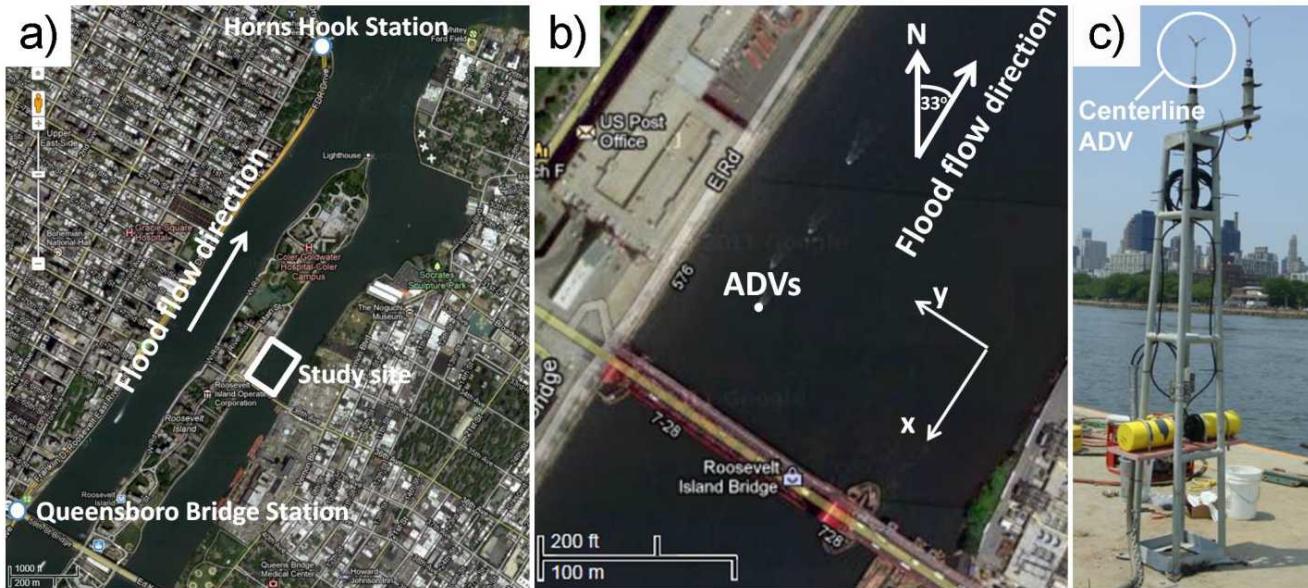
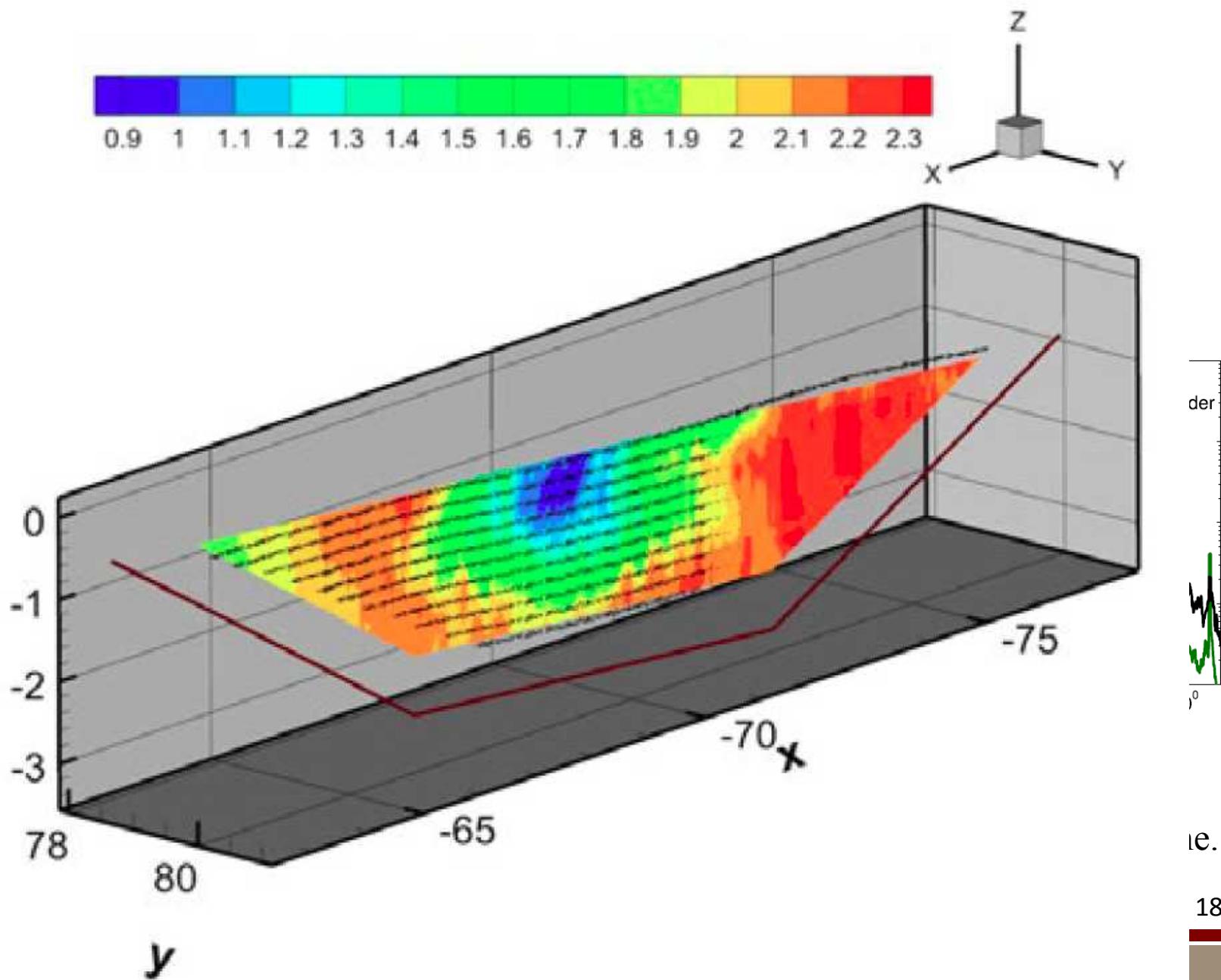
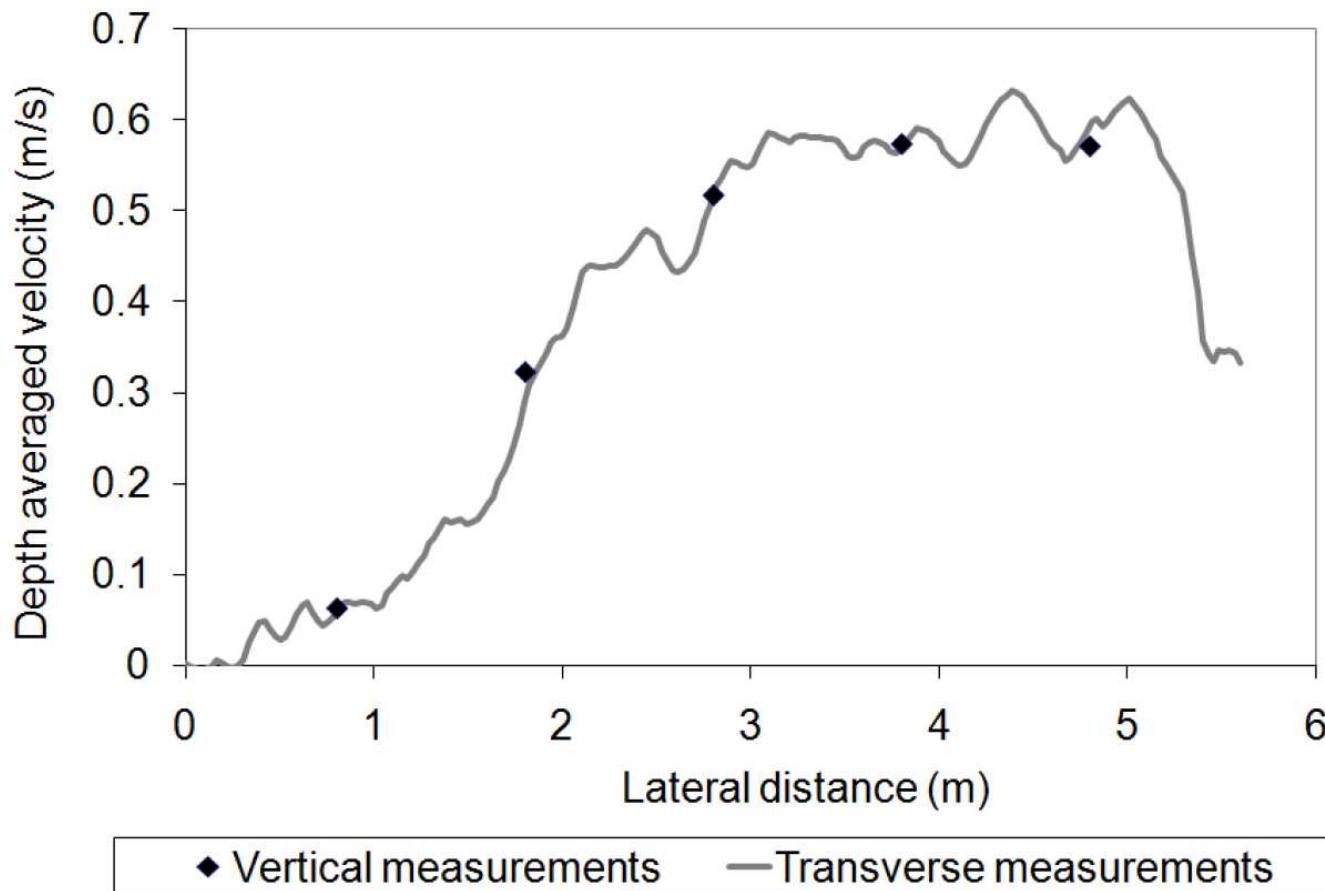


Figure C.6. Streamwise turbulent intensity from -2 to +15 rotor diameters along the centerplane of the turbine. (Chamorro et al.)



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# U,V,W

- We also calculated the single-ping MV measurement errors to provide a more direct error comparison between MV and FV measurements, to provide an insight whether spatial averaging improve the MV measurement results. Note that the MV measurements here are the MV data that are not spatio-temporally averaged. MV measurements, from each of the five transects, adjacent to the locations of the 15 FV profiles (within 0.02 m from the FV profiles, or less) were used for this analysis. The normalized RMSDs for each profile were calculated using equation 5.

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# V profile

