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# Data-Driven Calibration of RANS Closure Models with PIV

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# RANS Performance

## Jet-in-crossflow (JIC)

- CVP, HSV, shear layer, etc.

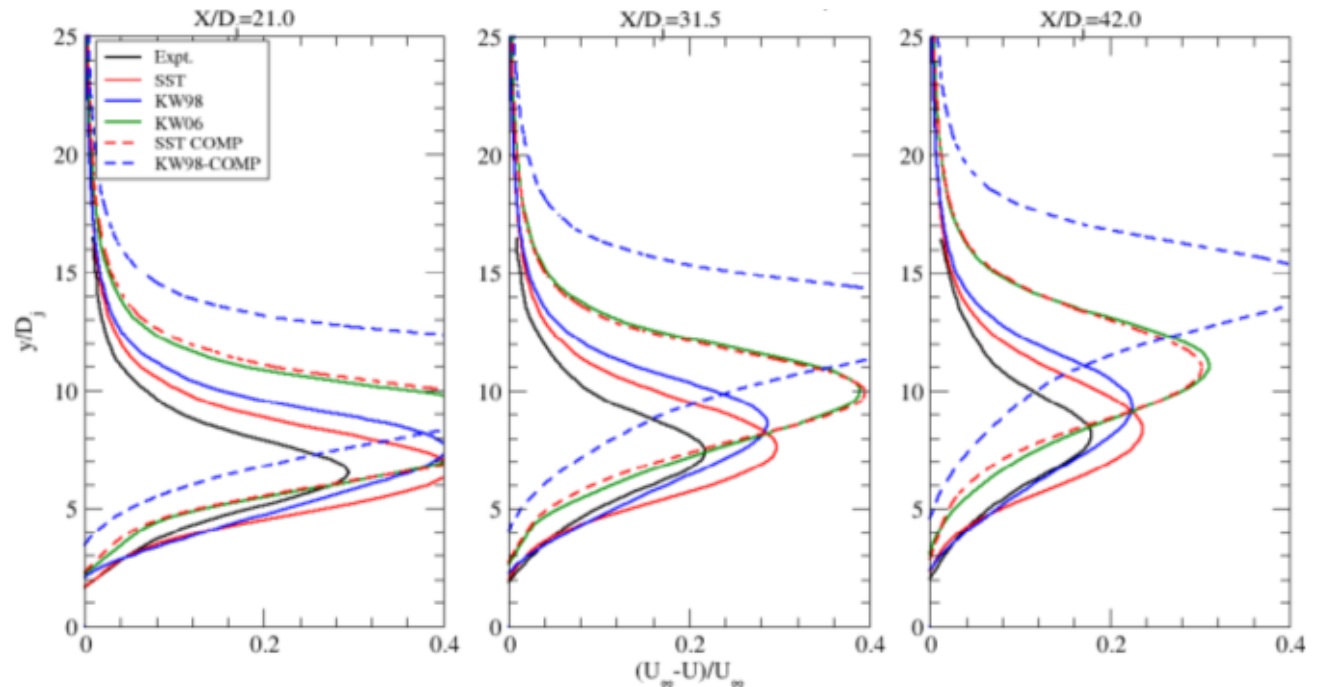
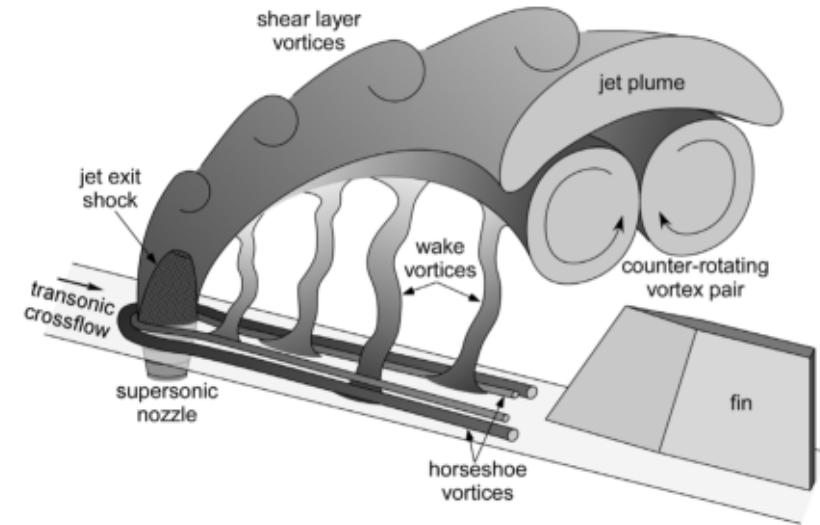
### S. Arunajatesan AIAA (2012):

“[T]he predictive capabilities of the family of models examined here for the jet-in-crossflow problem are marginal at best.”

- overpredicted velocity deficit
- overpredicted CVP strength, wrong location
- poor Reynolds stress predictions

### Two causes:

1. **Model-form error** → Missing physics
2. **Inadequate coefficient calibration**





# Application: Supersonic jet in transonic crossflow

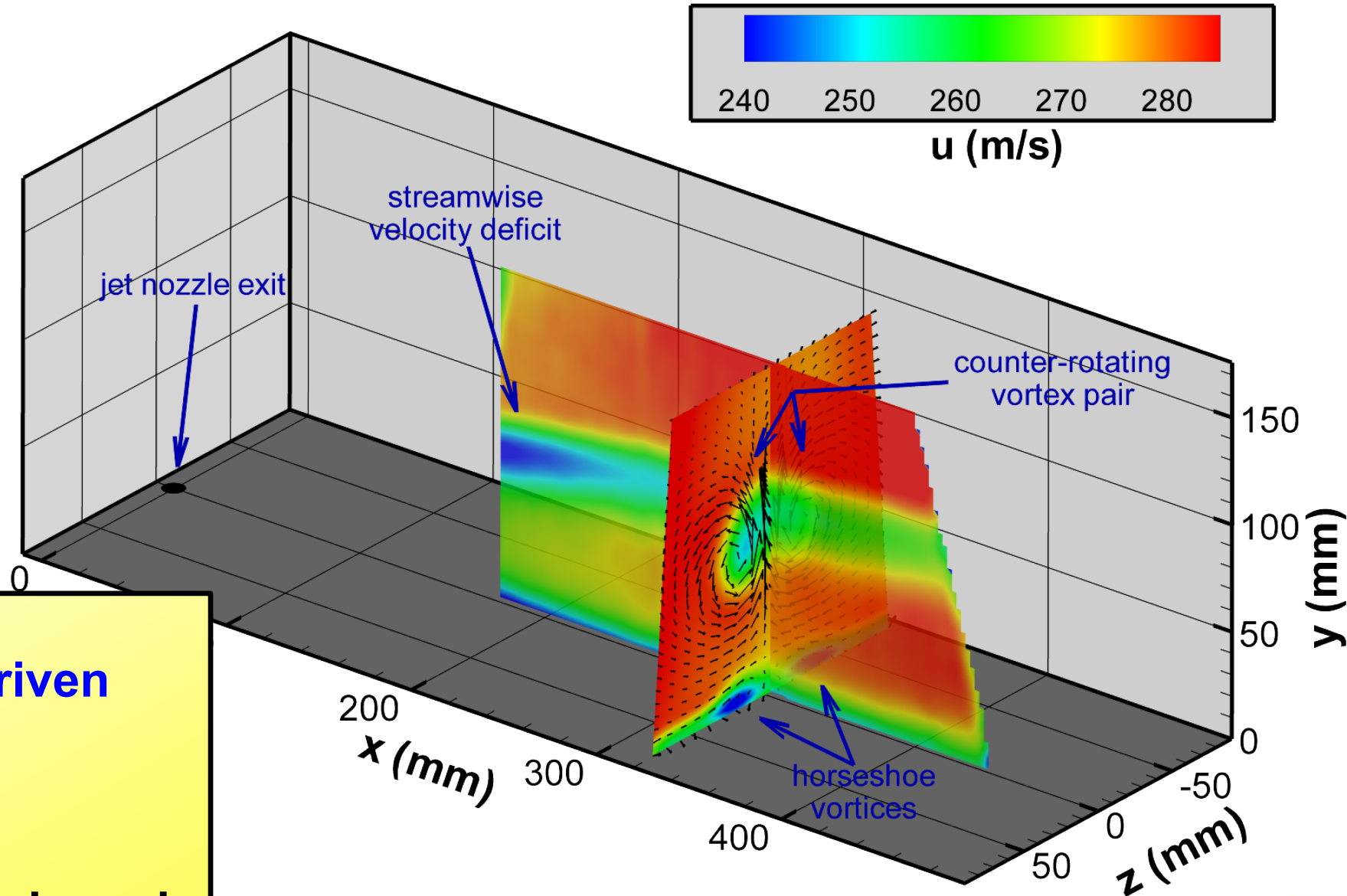
## PIV data from Sandia experiments circa 2005.

Beresh et al. AIAA Journal, 43:2, 2005  
Beresh et al. JPP, 23:2, 2007  
etc.

**Redefine RANS model coefficients via a data-driven calibration.**

**Two approaches:**

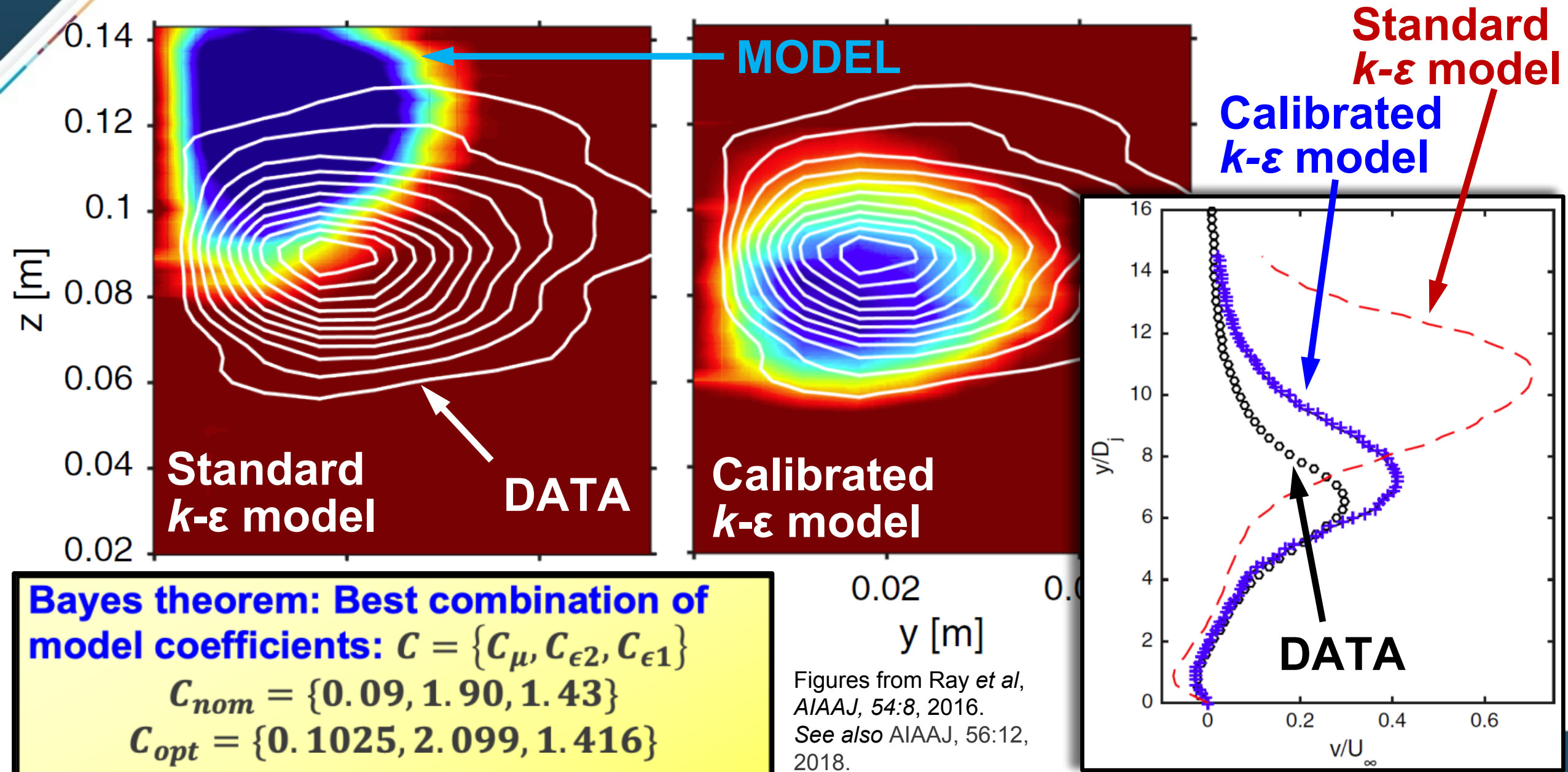
- 1. Best scalar**
- 2. Spatially-varying state-based**



# Approach #1: Calibrate Model Coefficients via PIV



# Calibrate RANS based on PIV data







# The jet interaction data set

**Calibrated based on only four PIV planes:**

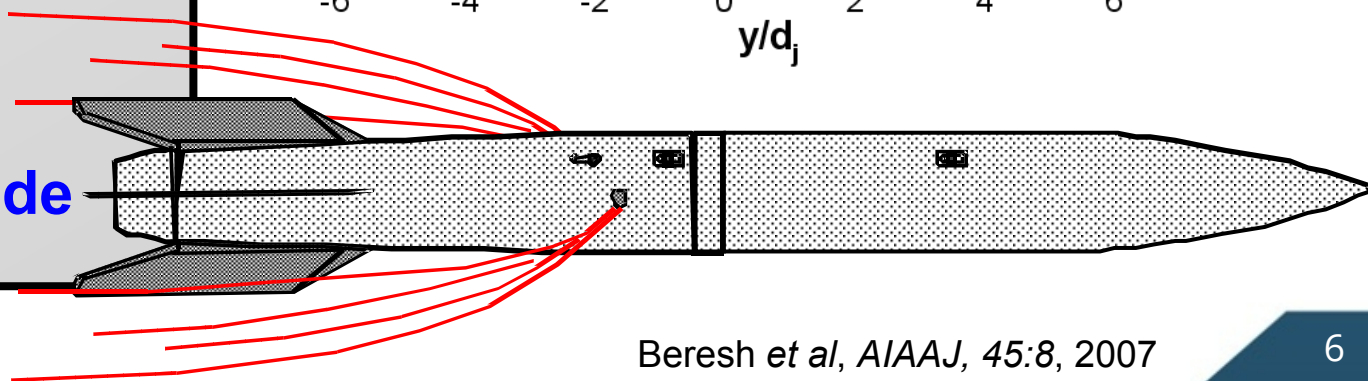
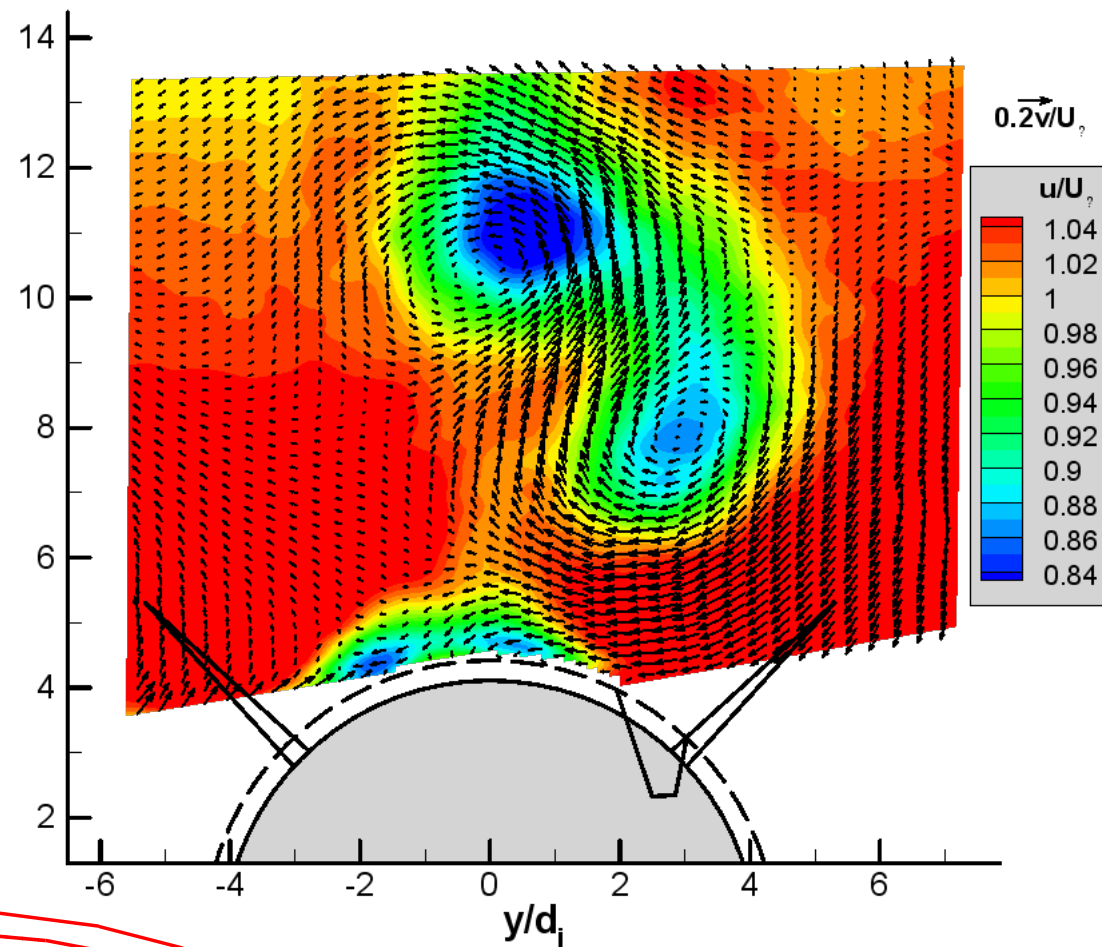
**Transverse jet of varying strength.**

**The full data set contains 48 test cases, varying:**

- Jet strength
- Nozzle inclination
- Measurement station

*Also, PIV test case on a full-scale vehicle with spin rockets.*

**RANS run using SIERRA Aero CFD Code**

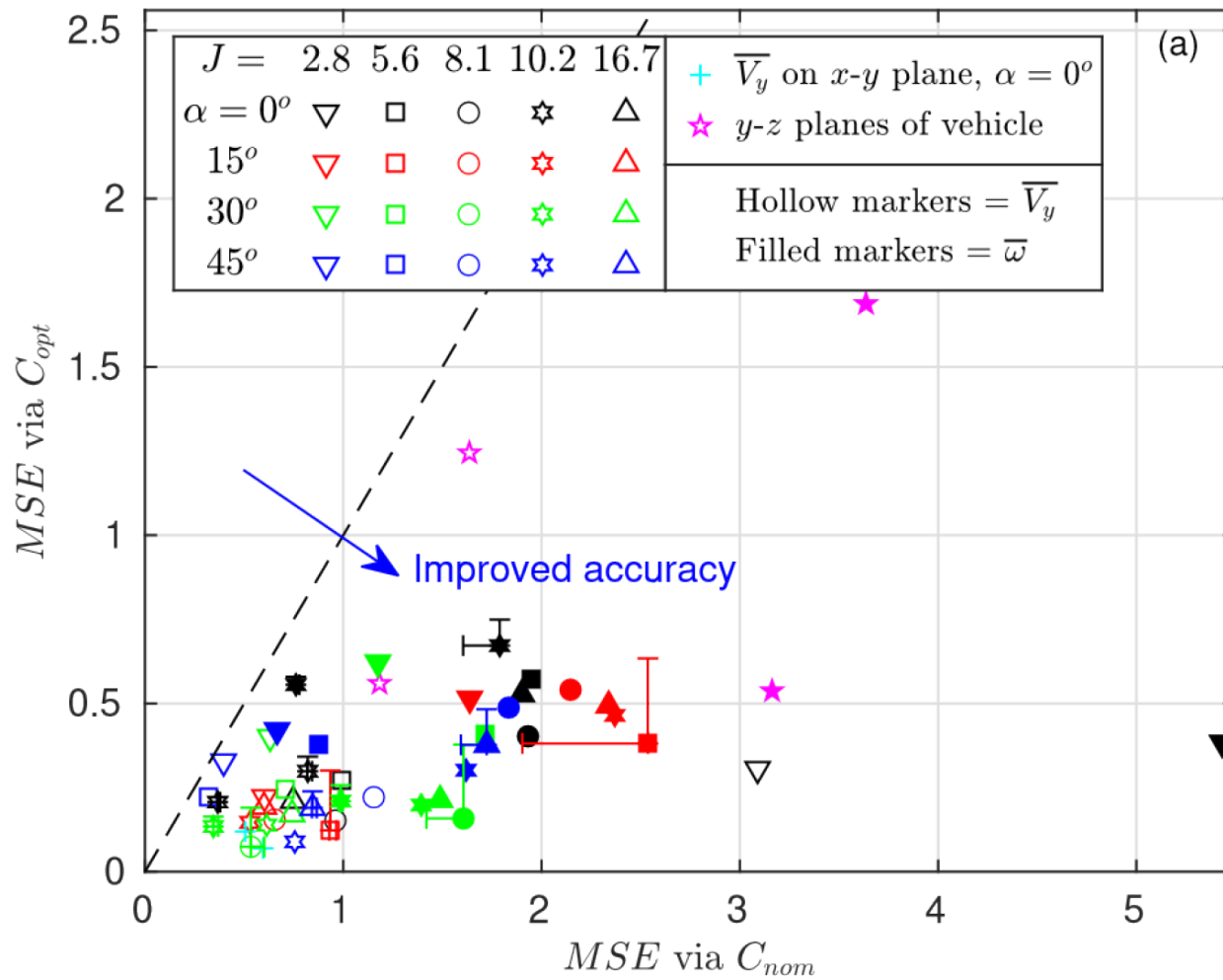




# Validating the calibrated $C_\mu$ model

We examined 6 quality metrics on  $\bar{V}$  and  $\bar{\omega}$  (Miller et al. 2022)

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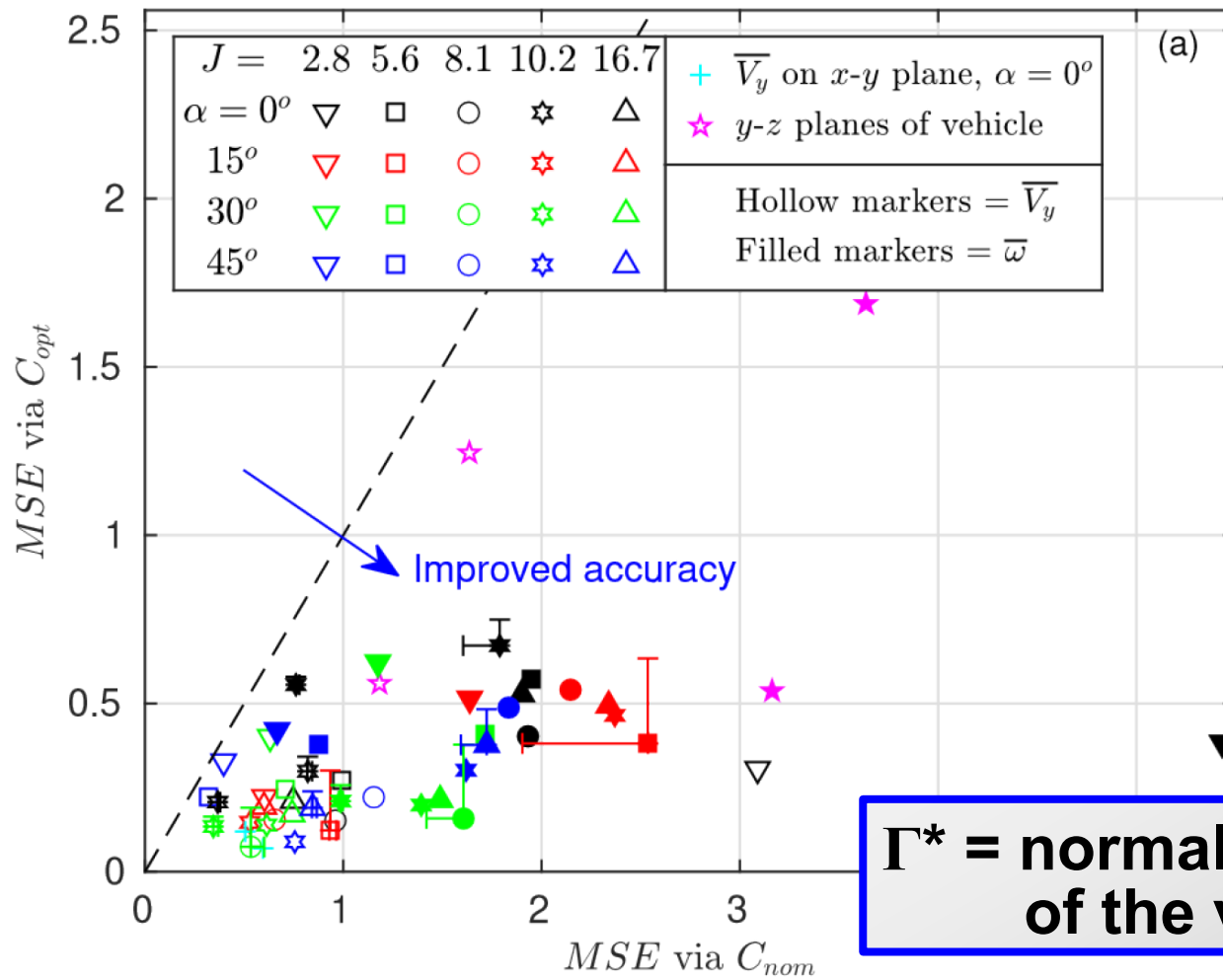
**MSE = mean square error**  
**Overall picture of the error of the CFD w.r.t. the PIV.**



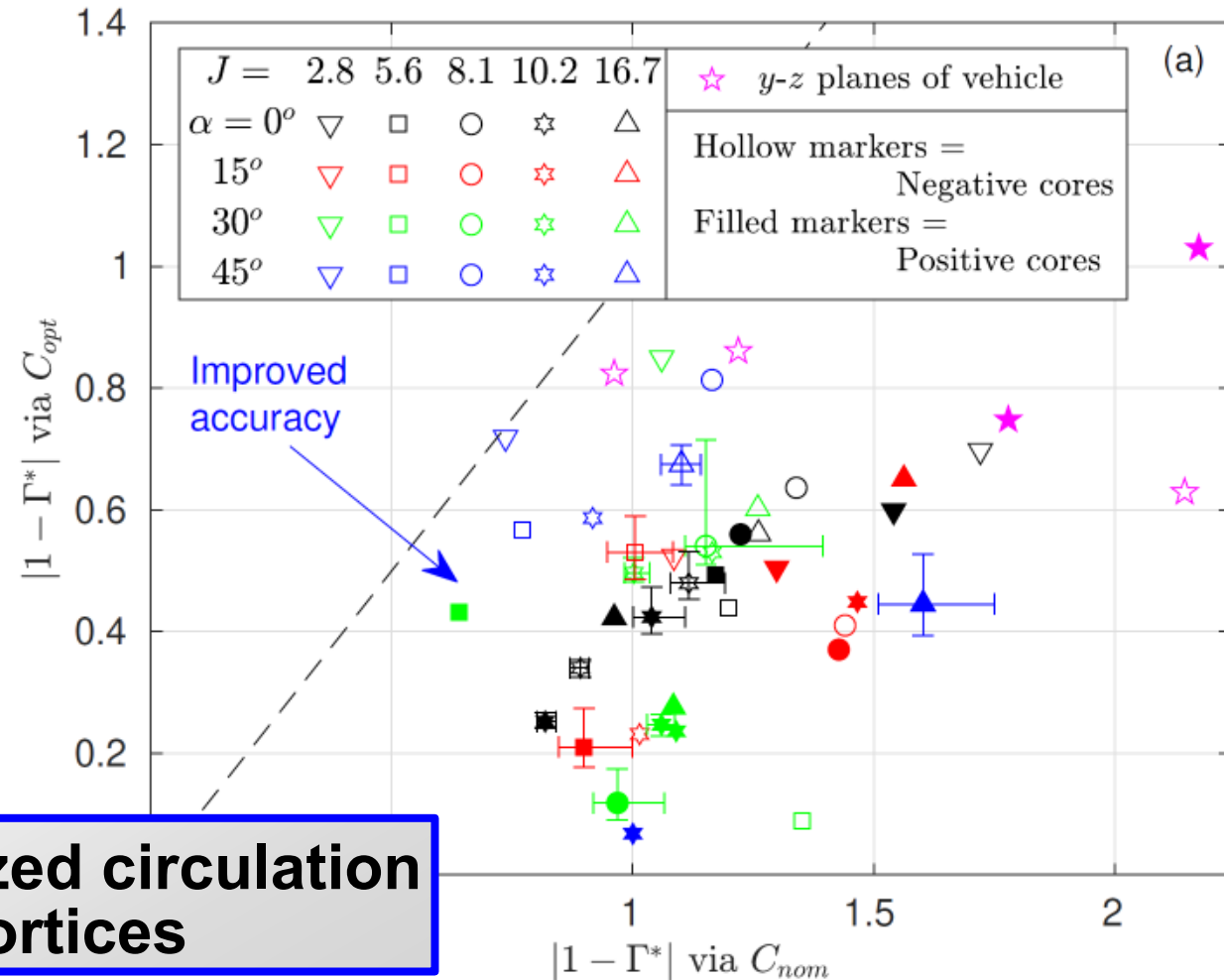
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$\Gamma^*$  = normalized circulation of the vortices

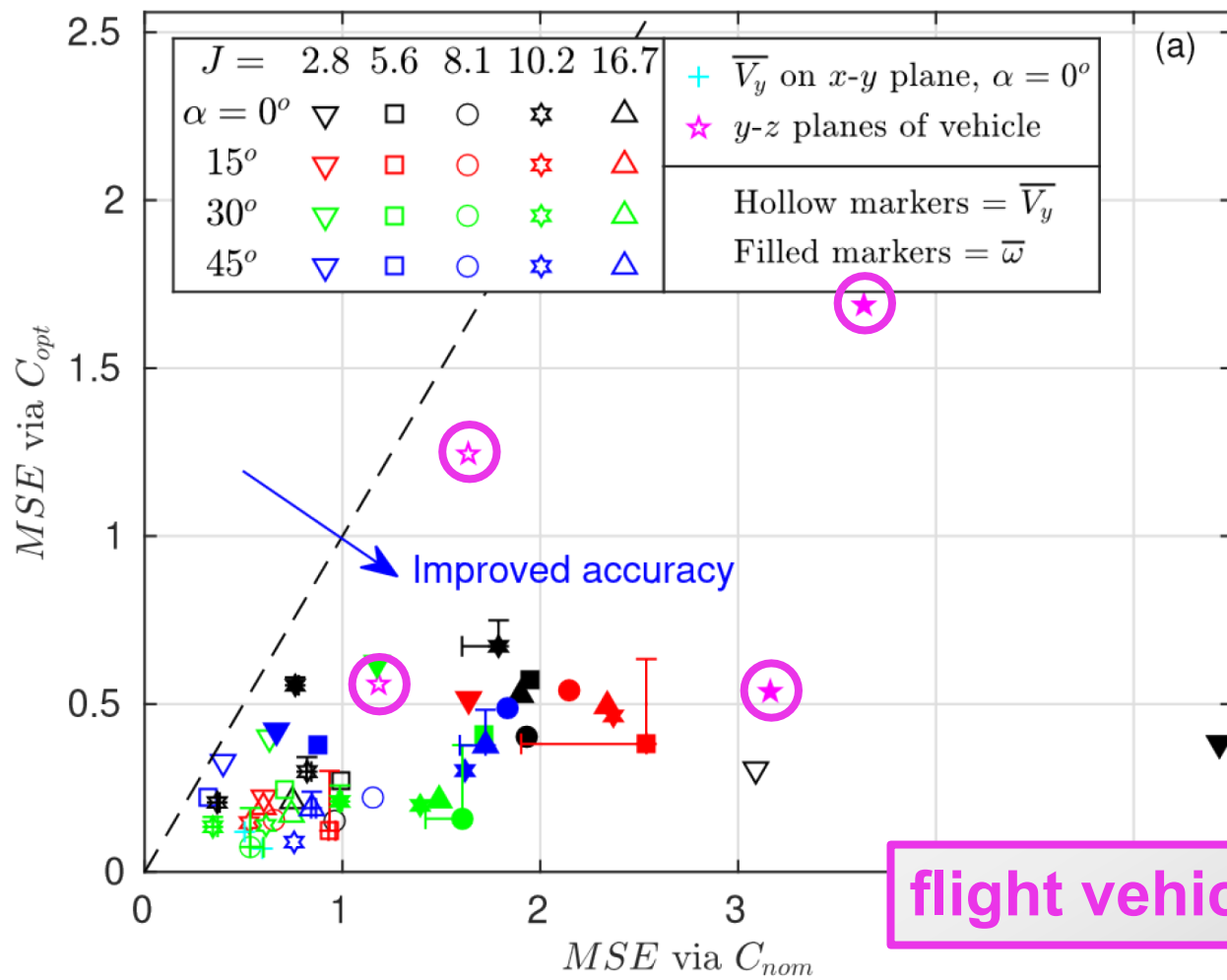




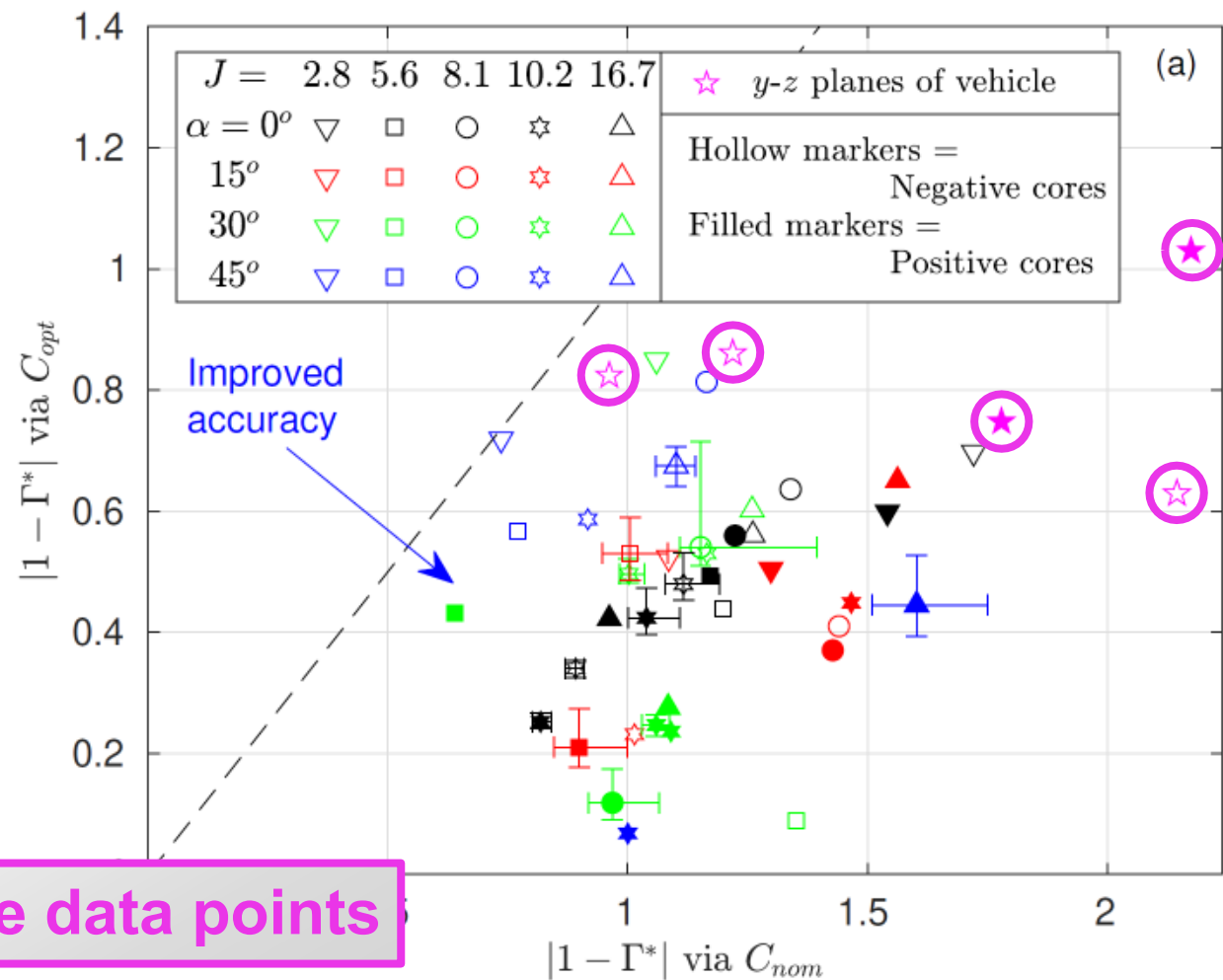
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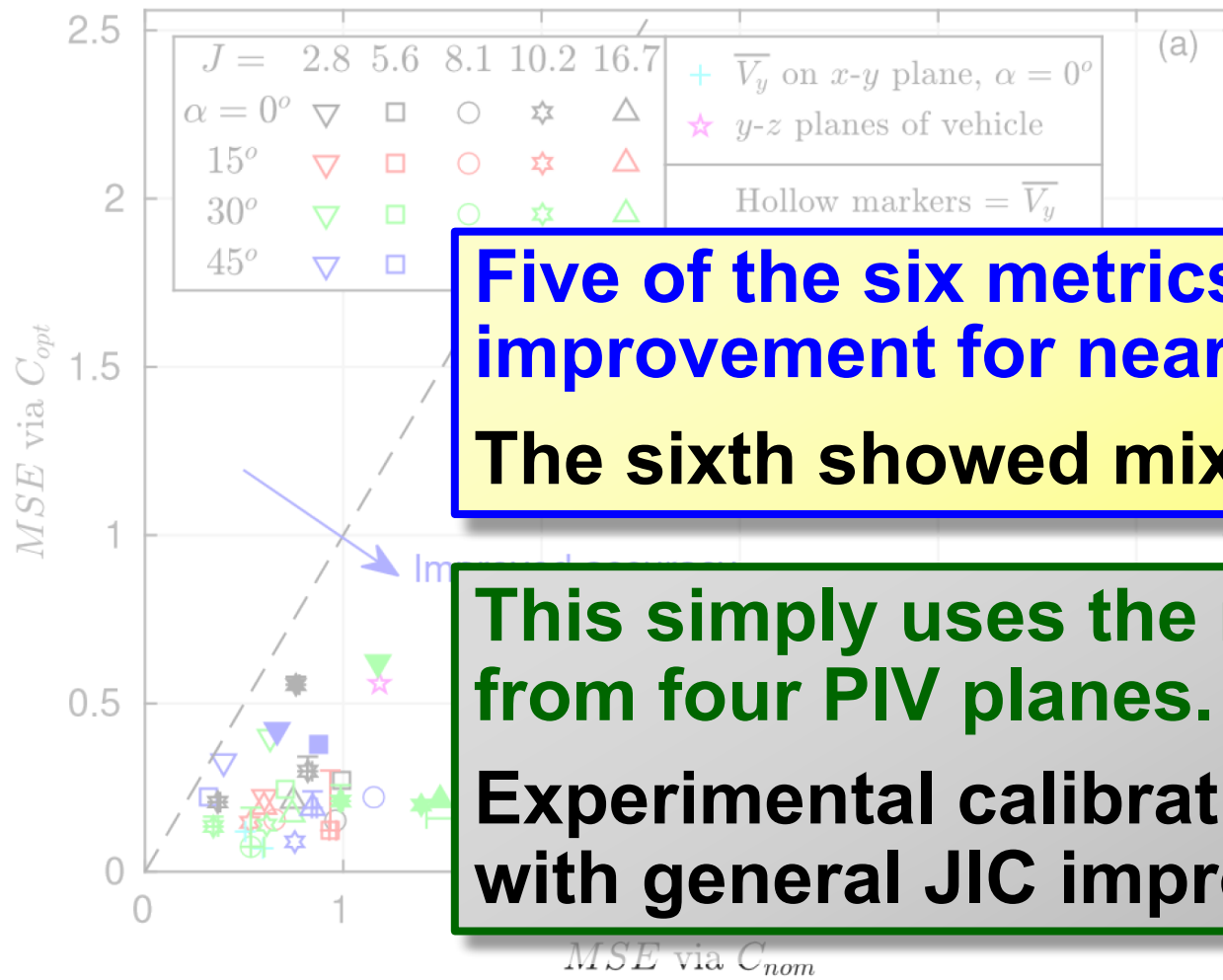
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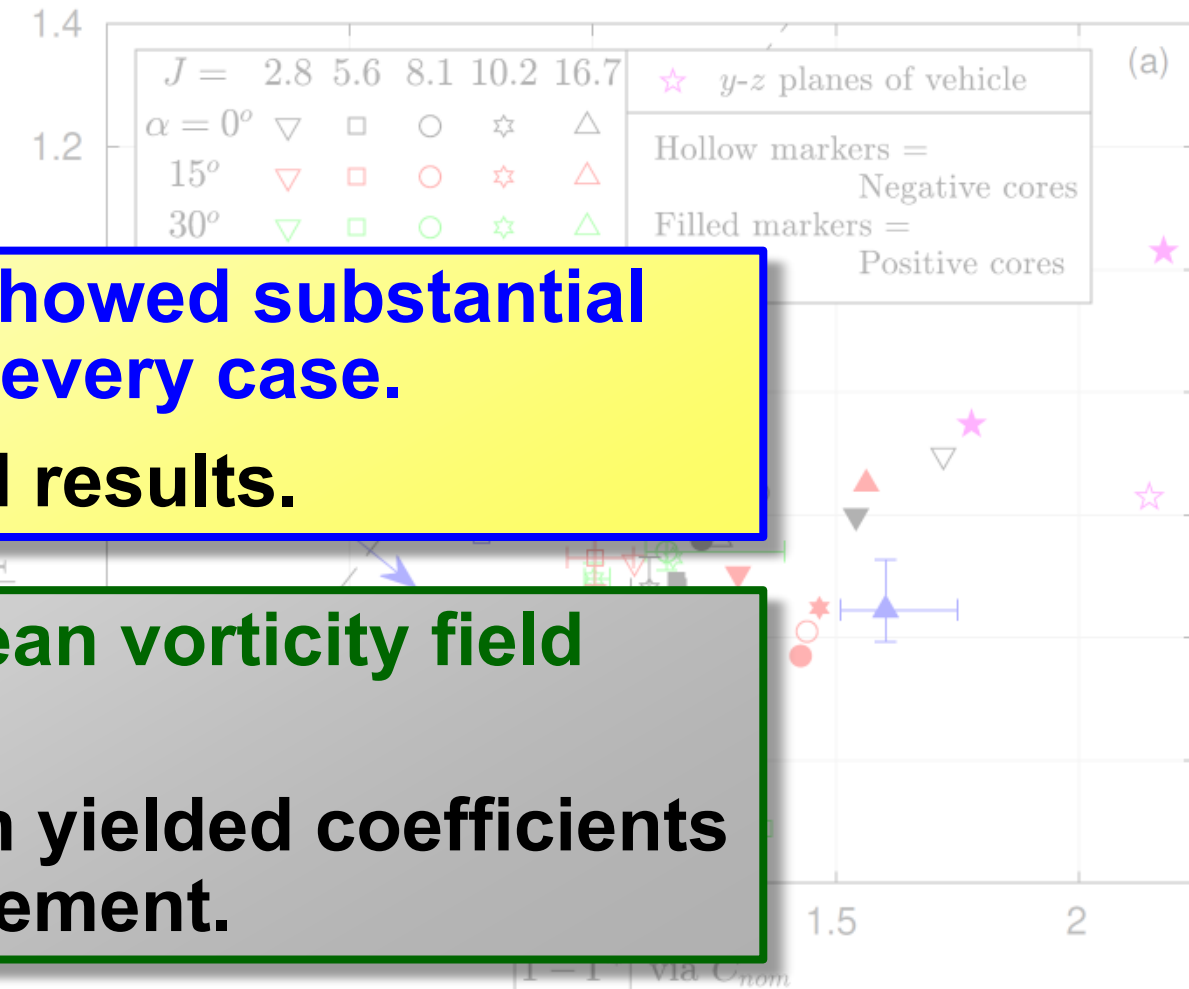
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Five of the six metrics showed substantial improvement for nearly every case.

The sixth showed mixed results.

This simply uses the mean vorticity field from four PIV planes.

Experimental calibration yielded coefficients with general JIC improvement.

Approach #2:  
Spatially-variable  $C_\mu$   
based on PIV



# A look inside a turbulence closure model

**Turbulent eddy viscosity:**

Linear Boussinesq:

$$\overline{u'_i u'_j} - \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij} = a_{ij} = -2\nu_t \overline{S_{ij}}$$

Ordinary Least Squares:

$$\nu_t = \frac{\overline{a_{ij} S_{ij}}}{-2 \overline{S_{kl} S_{kl}}}$$

**In a  $k$ - $\epsilon$  model:**

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

t.k.e.  $k = \frac{1}{2} \overline{u'_i u'_i}$

model  
constant

dissipation  
rate

How realistic? Consistency issue?

**We can calculate all of these terms directly from PIV!**

**A simple computation based on the above equations will not suffice.**

**The full story: see Miller and Beresh, *AIAA Journal*, 2021.**

# Move to a spatially-variable $C_\mu$ model

**New approach:**

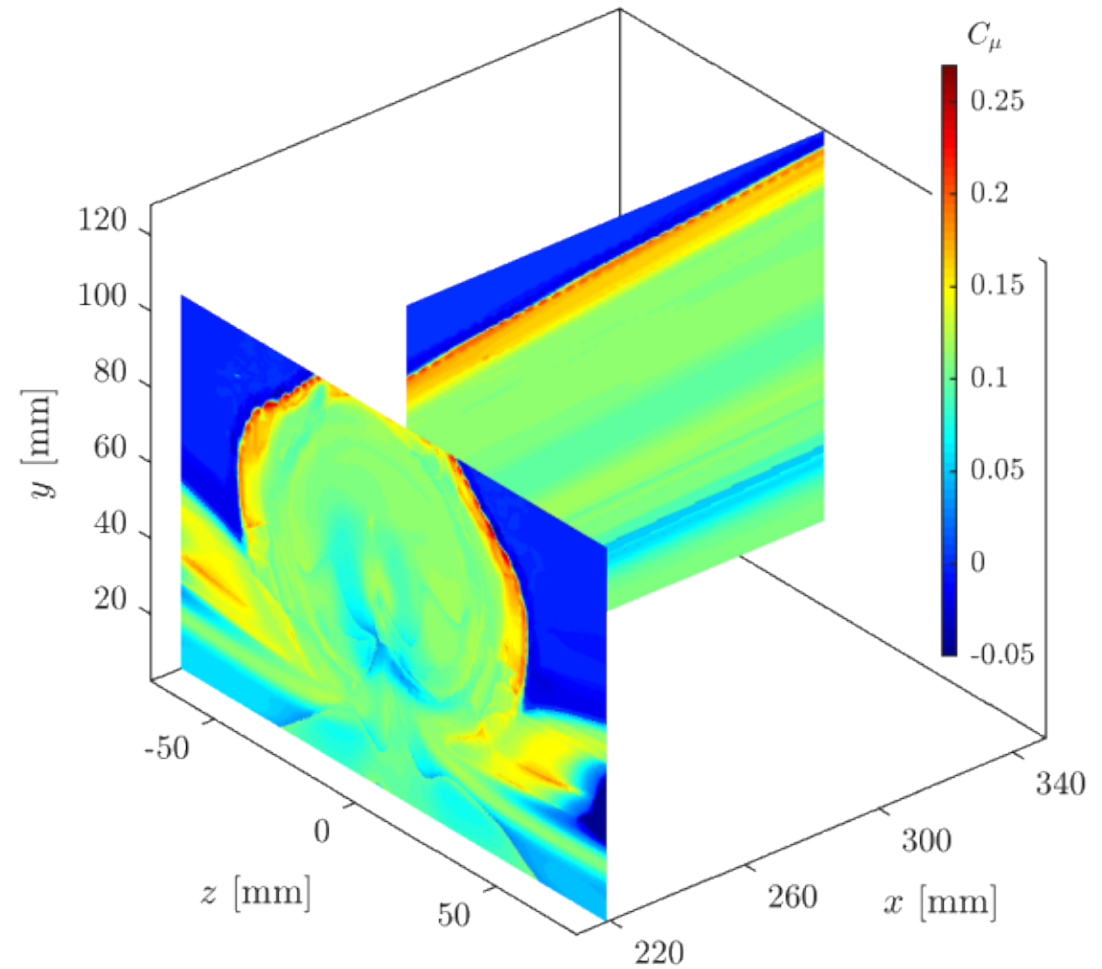
**$C_\mu$  is allowed to vary spatially based on wind tunnel PIV data, rather than assuming a fixed constant.**

**We need  $C_\mu$  over the entire computational domain.**

**The PIV provides  $C_\mu$  in only two planes.**

**Machine learning of  $C_\mu$  from the PIV data...**

$$C_\mu = f(\hat{S}_{ij}, \hat{\Omega}_{ij})$$





# Move to a spatially-variable $C_\mu$ model

## New approach:

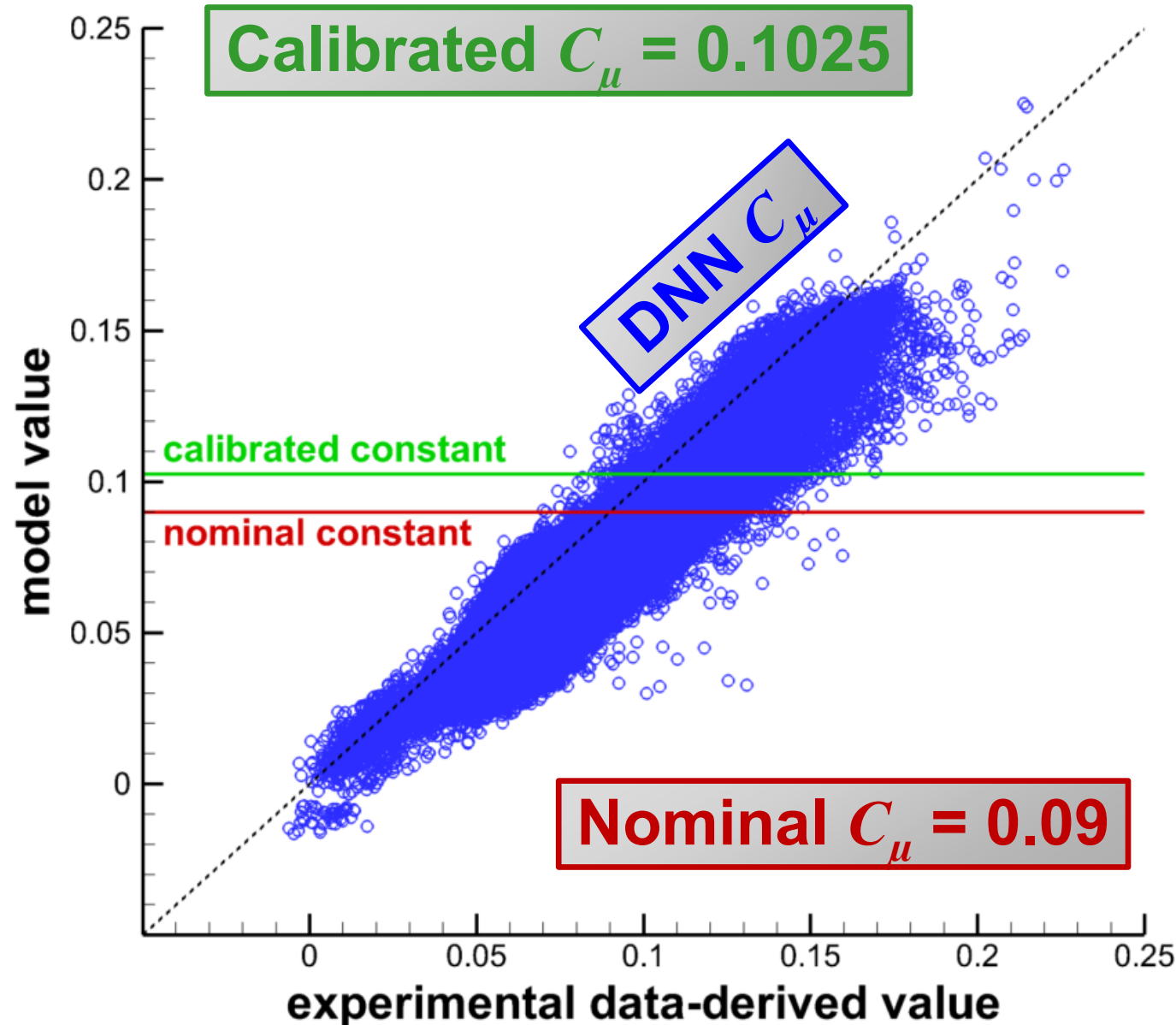
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- Deep Learning of PIV-derived  $C_\mu$  values

$$C_\mu = f(\lambda_{1-5})$$

$$\lambda_1 = \{\hat{\mathbf{S}}^2\}, \lambda_2 = \{\hat{\mathbf{\Omega}}^2\}, \\ \lambda_3 = \{\hat{\mathbf{S}}^3\}, \lambda_4 = \{\hat{\mathbf{S}} \hat{\mathbf{\Omega}}^2\}, \lambda_5 = \{\hat{\mathbf{S}}^2 \hat{\mathbf{\Omega}}^2\}$$

- Deep Neural Network (DNN)
  - Multiple (3) hidden layers
    - 18, 9, 3 nodes per layer
  - ReLU activation function
  - Ensembles of networks





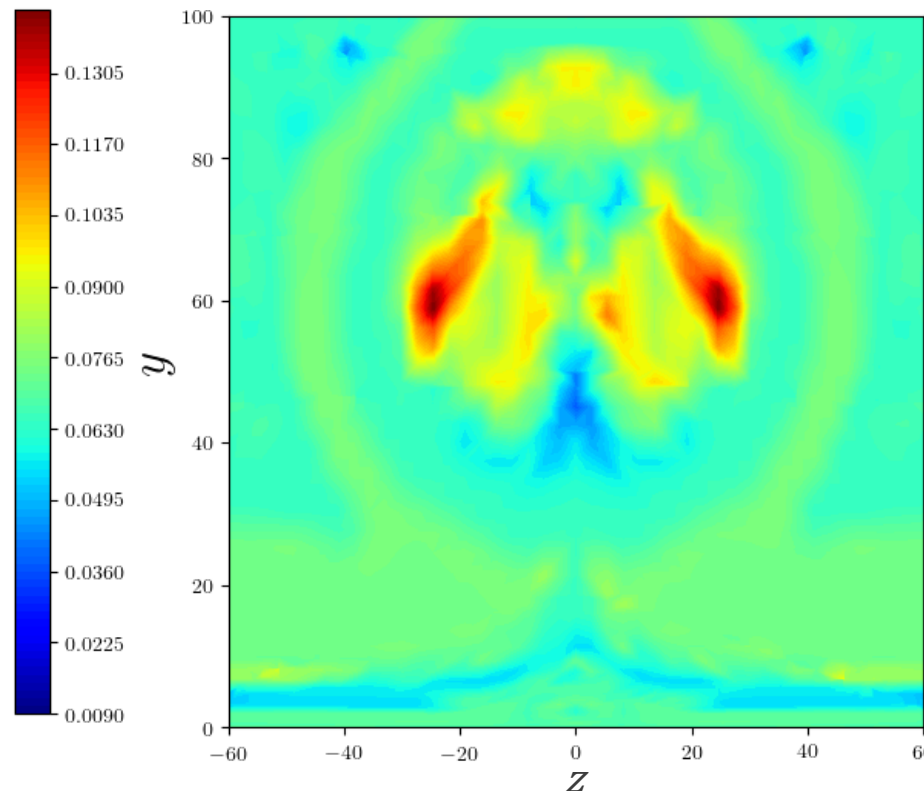
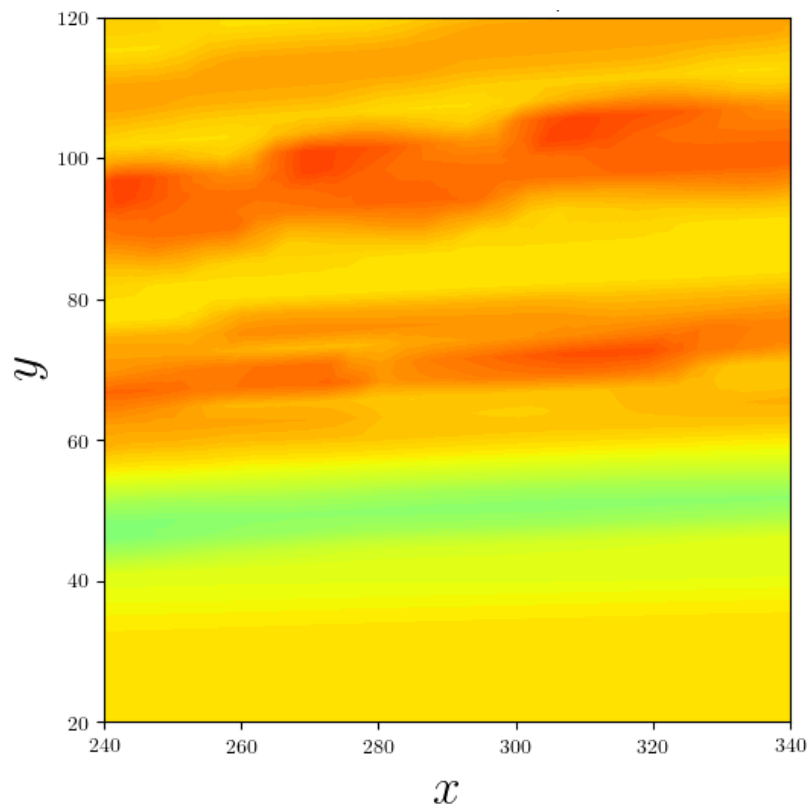
# Implementation

## Sandia Parallel Aero Reentry Code (SPARC)

- **Nominal, Calibrated, & Variable  $C_\mu$  models**
  - Variable  $C_\mu$  model queries ensemble of networks trained on 2 planes of PIV data



**SPARC**



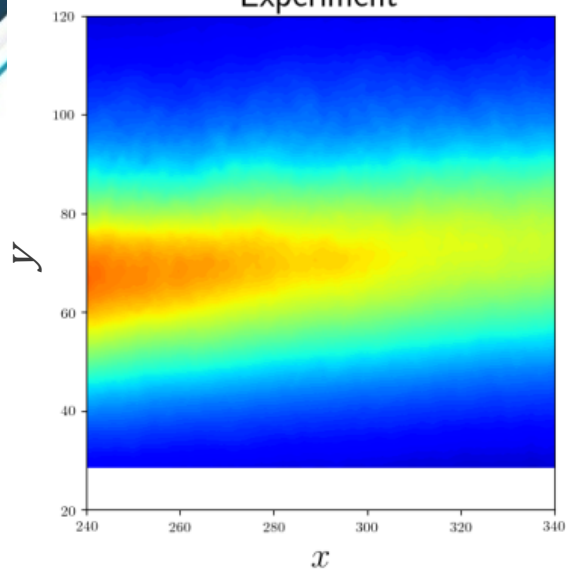
**Variable  $C_\mu$   
across the  
JIC domain**

**Defaults back  
to  $C_\mu = 0.1025$**

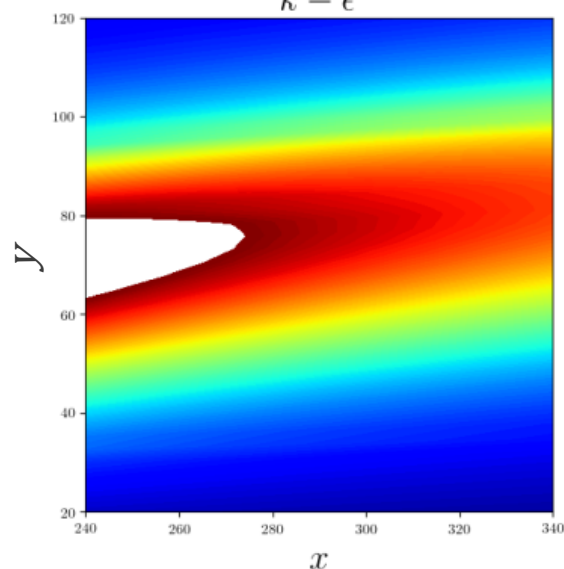


# How well does this work?

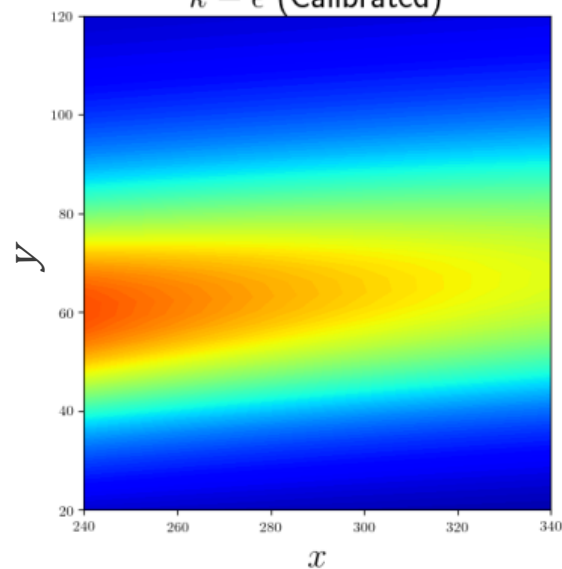
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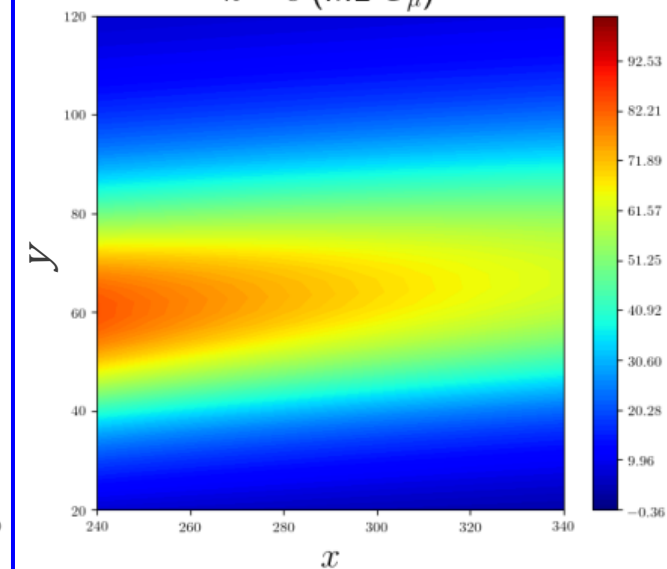
$k - \epsilon$



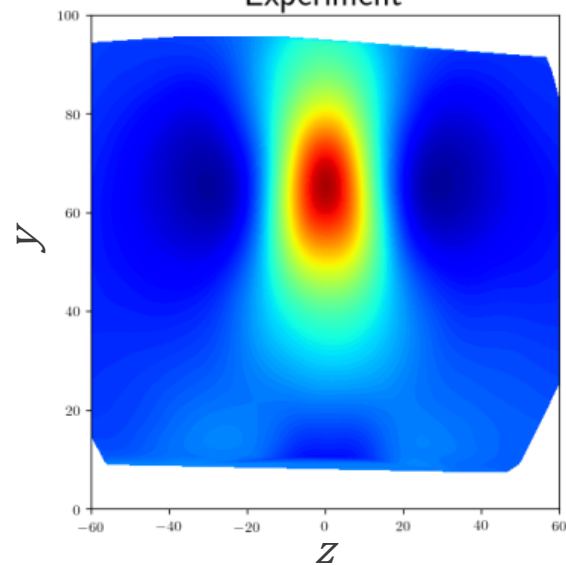
$k - \epsilon$  (Calibrated)



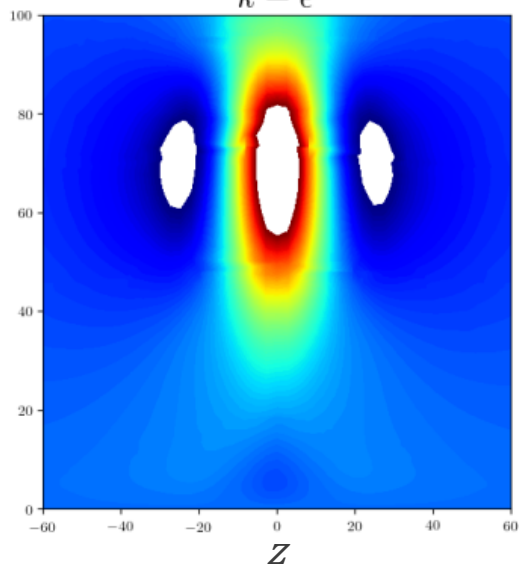
$k - \epsilon$  (ML  $C_\mu$ )



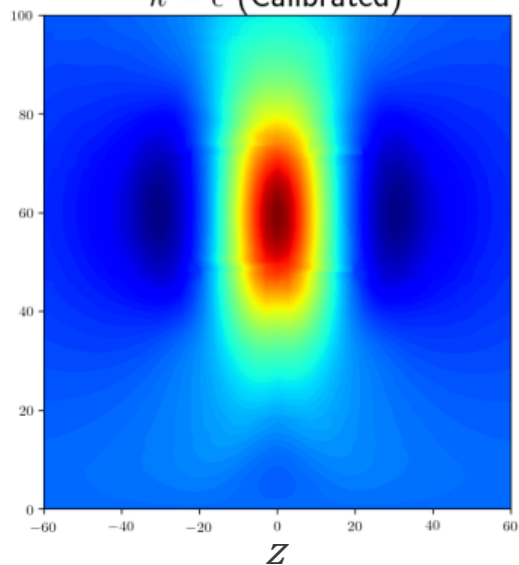
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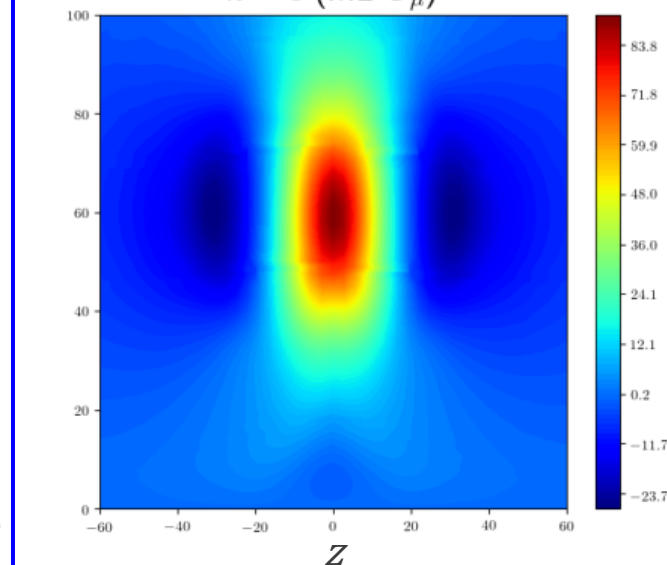
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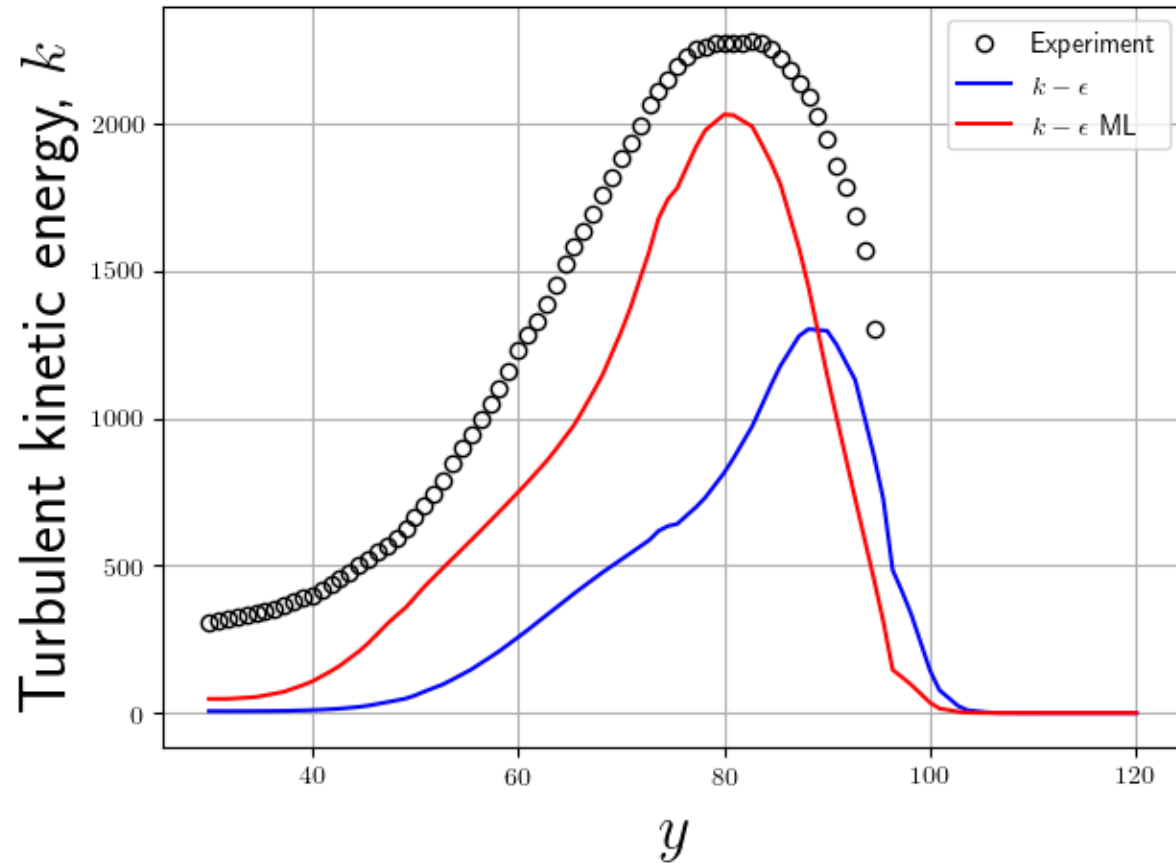
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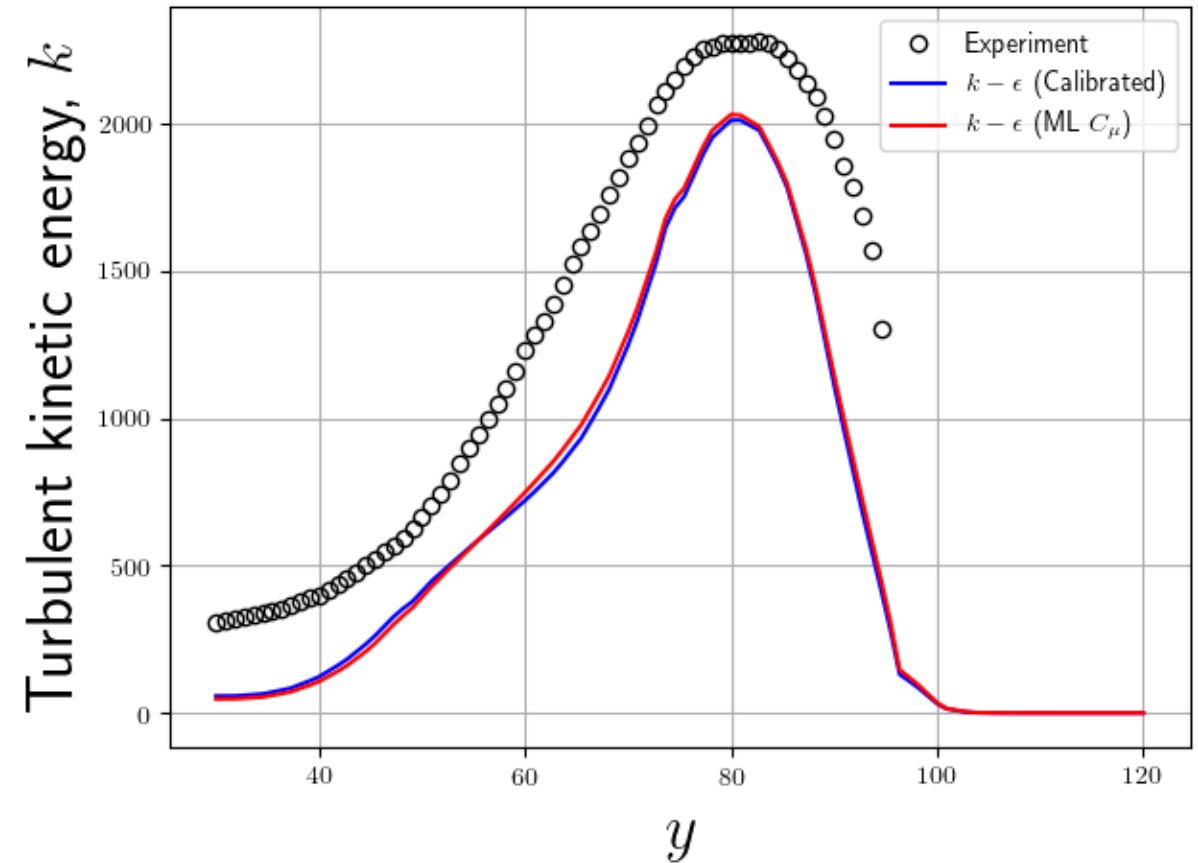
$k - \epsilon$  (ML  $C_\mu$ )



# How well does this work?



Significant improvement over nominal  
But we already knew that....



Slight improvement over Calibrated?



# What's going on?

**Default  $C_\mu$  to 0.1025**

**Avoid extrapolation or variance**

**Result: Default  $C_\mu$  dominates the result**

**What is  $C_\mu$  in unmeasured regions?**

**The PIV data miss important physics near the wall and the jet nozzle**

**Another issue is data consistency**

**$C_\mu$  model trained using measured  $k$  and  $\varepsilon$ , but RANS  $k$  and  $\varepsilon$  values may be in error**





# Conclusions & what's next?

**Data-driven CFD trained with PIV-measured physics rather than trained with LES/DNS**

**Model as implemented may be an improvement over best Calibrated model**

**Default Calibrated value dominates:  
More data needed?**

**Formalized validation with same 6 metrics ongoing:  
Stay tuned**

**Improve PIV data consistency  
Use same data in TBNN: Eric Parish**



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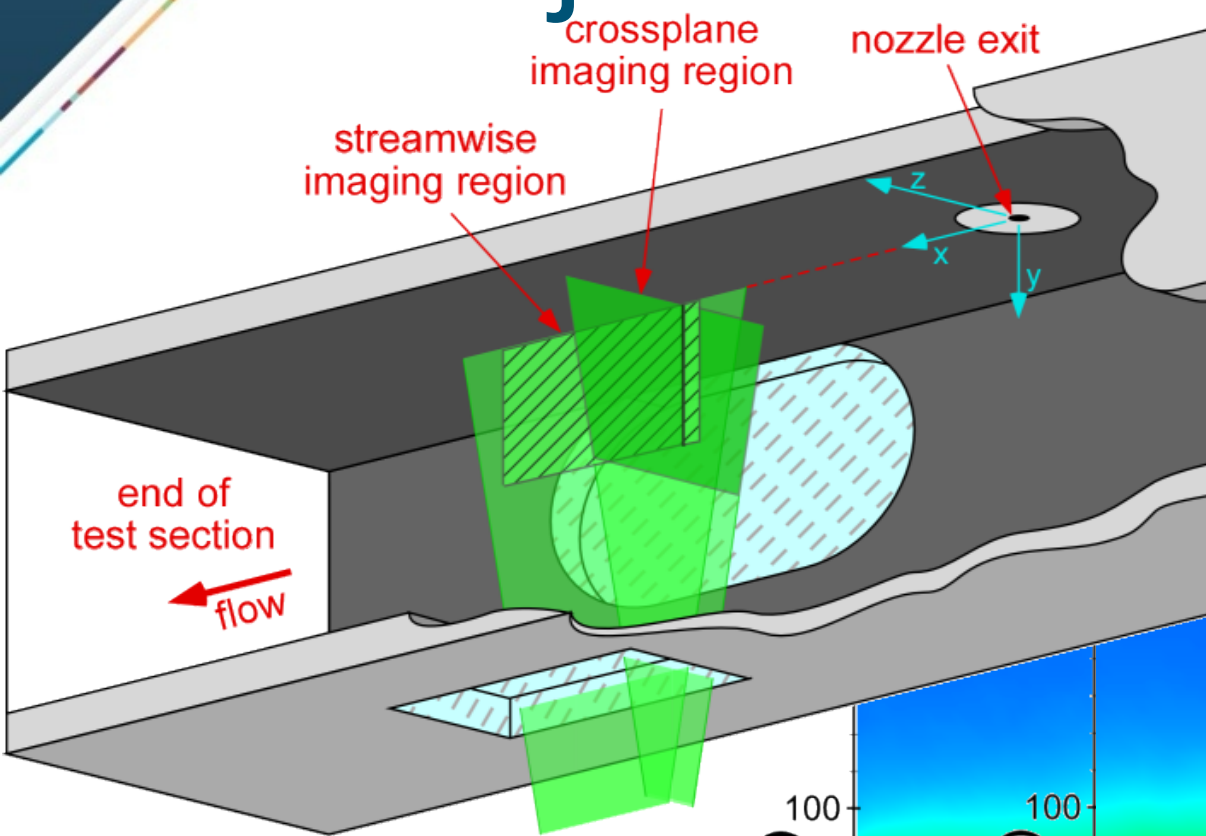
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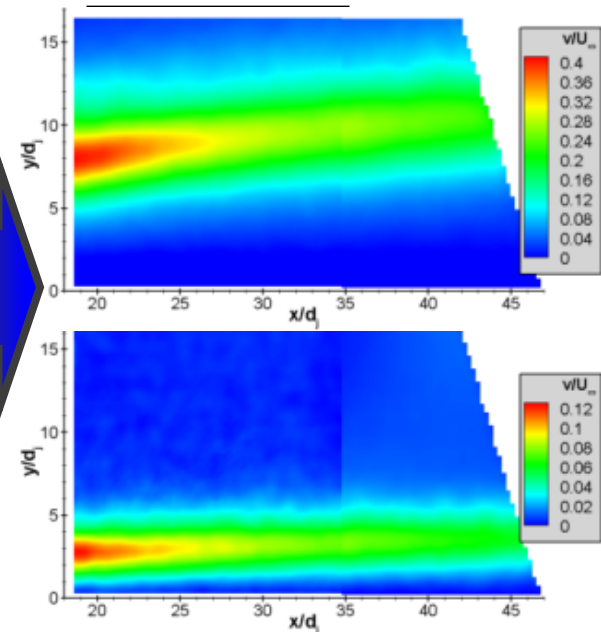
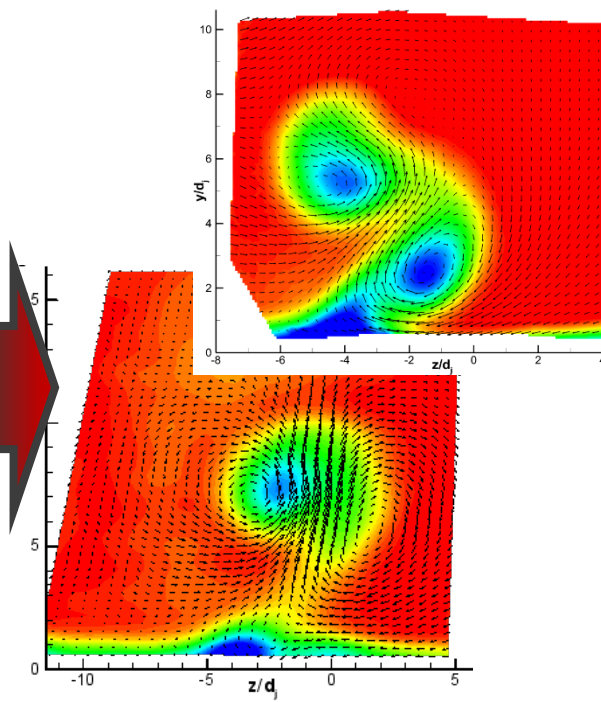
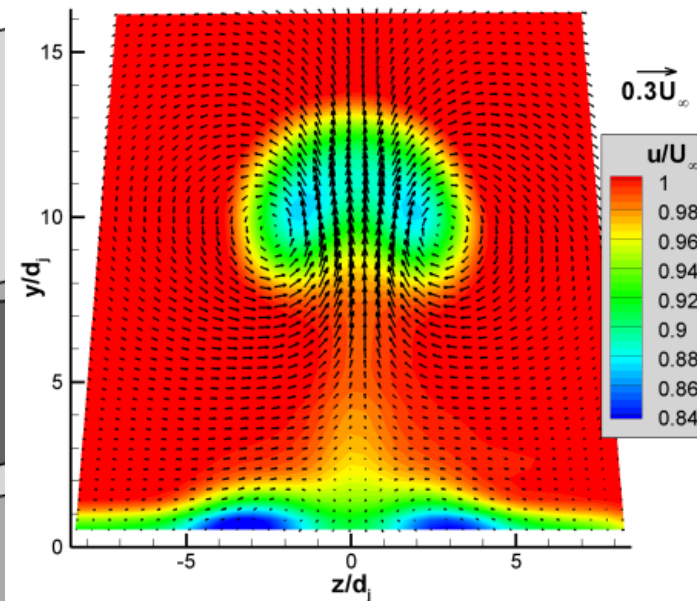
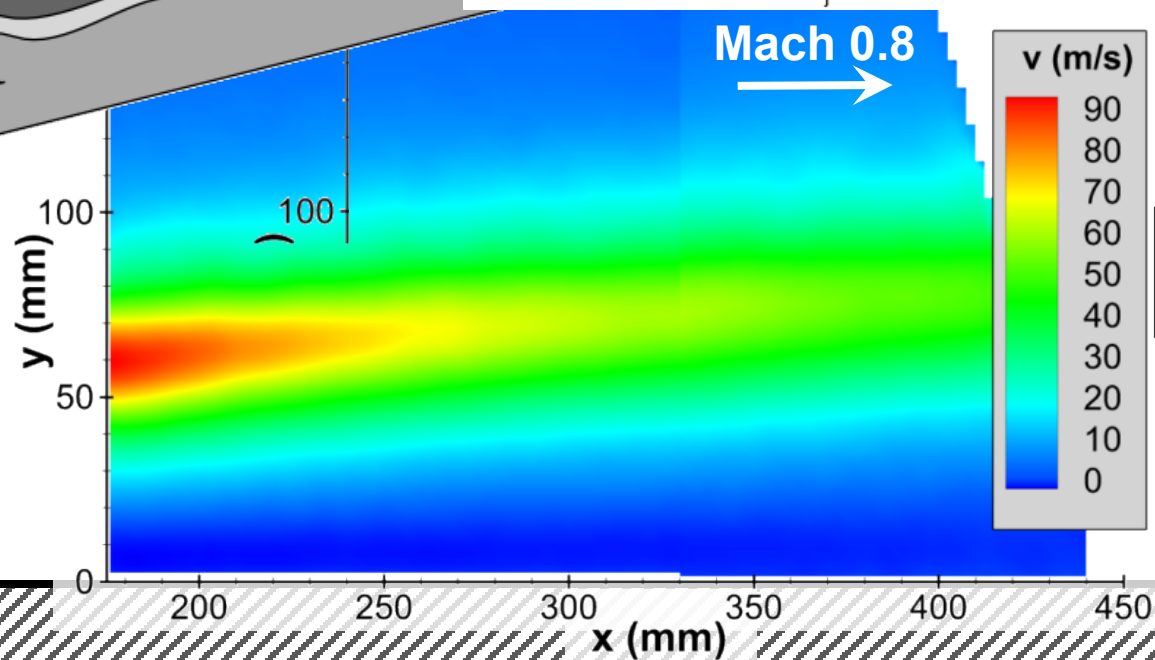




# The jet interaction data set



Mach 3.7  
jet exit





# Metrics

- Quality metrics, predicted ( $X_{RANS}$ ) vs true ( $X_{PIV}$ ):

- Mean Squared Error (normalized): **0.0 = perfect**
  - Measures peak accuracy

$$MSE = \frac{\langle (X_{PIV} - X_{RANS})^2 \rangle}{\langle X_{PIV}^2 \rangle}$$

- Geometric Mean Error (normalized): **0.0 = perfect**
  - Measures bulk accuracy

$$GME = \frac{\exp[\langle \ln(|X_{PIV} - X_{RANS}|) \rangle]}{\exp[\langle \ln(|X_{PIV}|) \rangle]}$$

- 2-D Correlation Coefficient: **1.0 = perfect**
  - Measures spatial alignment

$$corr = \frac{\sum_i \sum_j (X_{PIV} - \langle X_{PIV} \rangle) (X_{RANS} - \langle X_{RANS} \rangle)}{\sqrt{\sum_i \sum_j (X_{PIV} - \langle X_{PIV} \rangle)^2 \sum_i \sum_j (X_{RANS} - \langle X_{RANS} \rangle)^2}}$$

- Vortex Perimeters (normalized): **1.0 = perfect**
  - Measures vortex size

$$P^* = \frac{P_{RANS}}{P_{PIV}}$$

- Vortex Circulation (normalized): **1.0 = perfect**
  - Measures vortex strength

$$\Gamma^* = \frac{\Gamma_{RANS}}{\Gamma_{PIV}}, \quad \Gamma = \int \bar{\omega} dA$$

- Vortex center difference: **0.0 = perfect**
  - Measures vortex alignment

$$E^* = \frac{\sqrt{(\bar{y}_{PIV} + \bar{y}_{RANS})^2 + (\bar{z}_{PIV} + \bar{z}_{RANS})^2}}{P_{PIV}}, \quad [\bar{y}, \bar{z}] = \int [y, z] \bar{\omega} dA$$