

**Fig. 1** Top view of settling chamber and screen cage.

tangential cooling of the hot-wire sensors were subsequently made in the data reduction. No other corrections were made. The experiments were performed in a  $9.02 \times 7.39 \times 3.76$  m room which was not air conditioned and to which traffic was controlled. The static pressure measurements were made with a 3.175-mm-diam stainless-steel pitot-static tube in conjunction with a Barocel pressure transducer and a digital voltmeter with variable integrating times. The bilateral symmetry of the flow was utilized in acquiring the data and checks were made to ensure that symmetry did in fact exist.<sup>13</sup> The exit plane velocity profile was flat and the mean streamwise velocity and streamwise turbulence intensity at the center of the slot exit plane were  $55 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and 0.7%, respectively. The initial slot wall boundary layer was nominally laminar. The Reynolds number based on the height of the slot was about  $4.7 \times 10^4$ .

## Results and Discussion

### Mean Streamwise Velocities

Mean streamwise velocity profiles in the central X-Y and X-Z planes are shown in Fig. 2. The systematic error in the

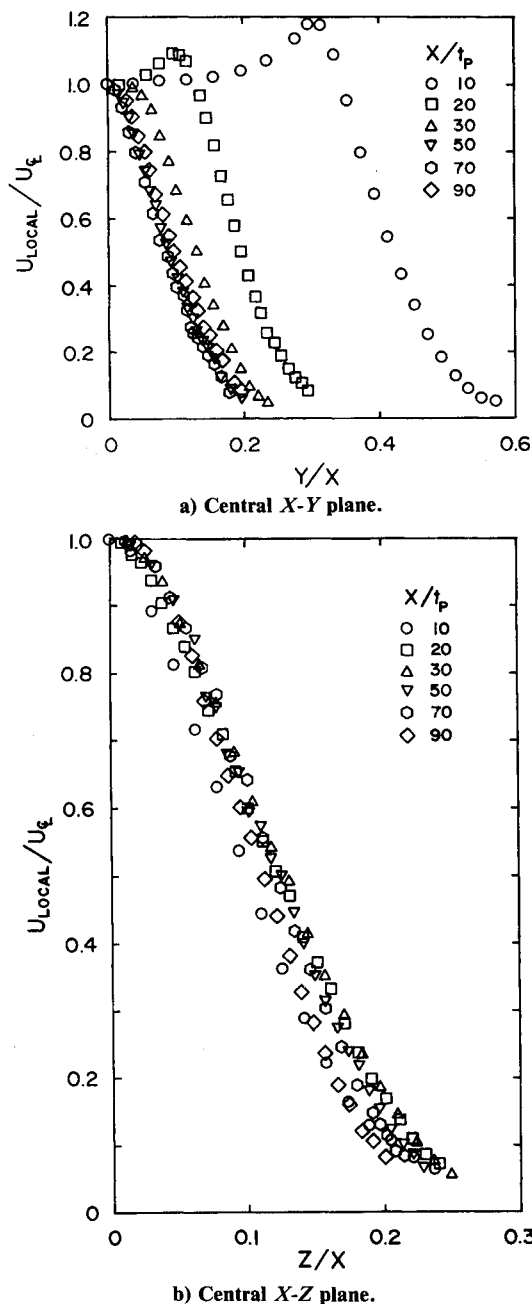


Fig. 2 Mean streamwise velocity profiles.

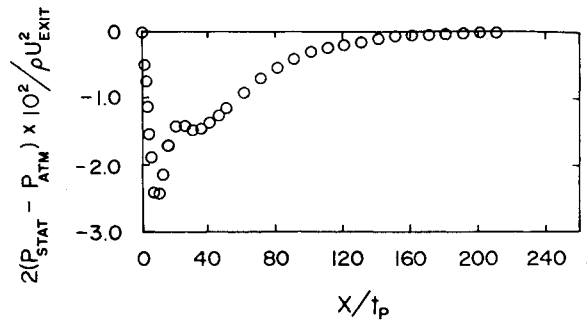


Fig. 3 Static pressure distribution on the jet centerline.

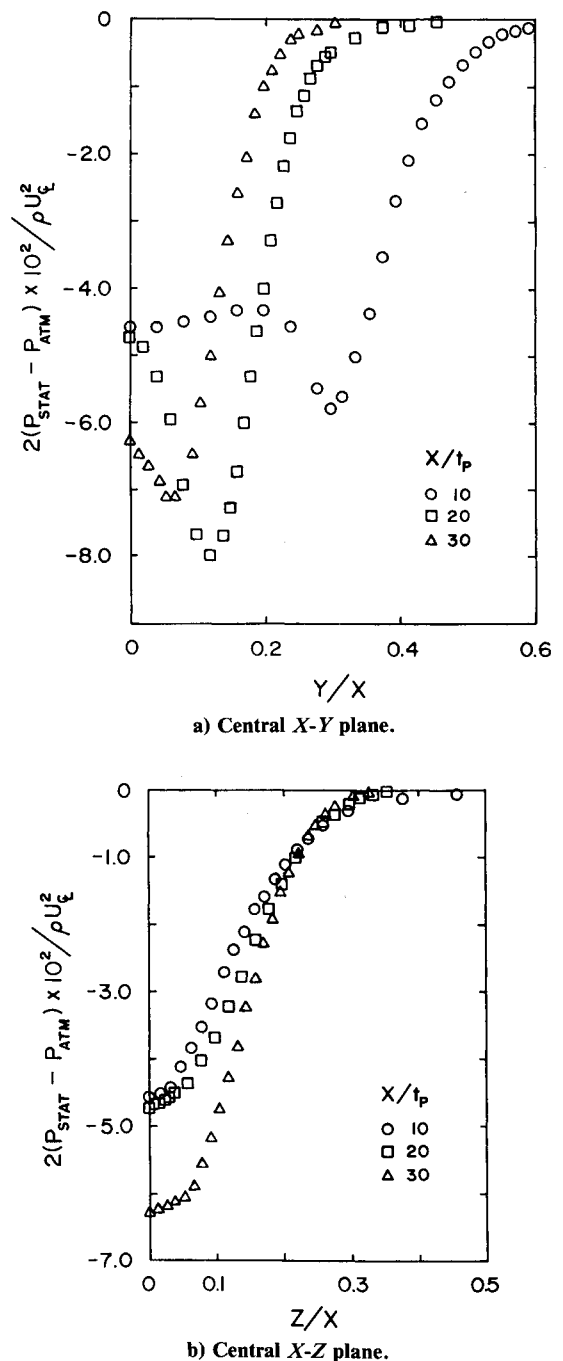


Fig. 4 Static pressure profiles.

mean streamwise velocity data is about 2%. Mean streamwise velocity off-center peaks are clearly evident at  $X/t_p = 10$  and 20 in the  $X$ - $Y$  plane (Fig. 2a). These mean streamwise velocity off-center peaks, which do not occur in the potential core region ( $X/t_p \leq 3$ , not shown) or in the  $X$ - $Z$  plane, appear to move toward the jet centerline with downstream distance and seem to disappear after the shear layers growing in the  $X$ - $Y$  plane merge on the jet centerline at about  $X/t_p = 30$ . The profiles in the  $X$ - $Z$  plane seem to be geometrically similar after about  $X/t_p = 10$  and those in the  $X$ - $Y$  plane appear to be geometrically similar beyond  $X/t_p = 30$ . These observations are in accord with those made by other investigators.<sup>2-8</sup>

#### Static Pressure Distribution

The static pressure distribution on the jet centerline is presented in Fig. 3. Steep streamwise static pressure gradients are clearly evident.

Static pressure profiles in the central  $X$ - $Y$  and  $X$ - $Z$  planes are presented in Fig. 4 for the flow region ( $X/t_p = 10$  to 30) where mean streamwise velocity off-center peaks are found. The static pressure profiles at  $X/t_p = 10$  and 20 in the central  $X$ - $Y$  plane (Fig. 4a) indicate that the static pressure drops significantly before it starts to recover to the atmospheric value at the edge of the jet. It is, indeed, interesting to note that the locations of the static pressure "valleys" at  $X/t_p = 10$  and 20 in Fig. 4a correspond to those of the mean streamwise velocity off-center peaks at the same stations in Fig. 2a. The static pressure profile at  $X/t_p = 30$  (Fig. 4a) exhibits a behavior similar to those at  $X/t_p = 10$  and 20, but the drop in static pressure is not as significant as that at  $X/t_p = 10$  and 20. It should be recalled that there is no mean streamwise velocity off-center peak at  $X/t_p = 30$  (Fig. 2a). However, in view of the static pressure profile at  $X/t_p = 30$  (Fig. 4a), it is possible that a mean streamwise velocity off-center peak indeed exists at  $X/t_p = 30$  in the central  $X$ - $Y$  plane, but that it is of such small magnitude, that the instrumentation used was incapable of resolving it. The central  $X$ - $Z$  plane static pressure profiles (Fig. 4b) are characterized by monotonic recovery to the atmospheric value at the edge of the jet from low values on the jet centerline.

The systematic error in the static pressure data is about 3% but it should be noted that static pressure data in turbulent flows are, because of the unknown effects of turbulence, of uncertain quantitative value.<sup>14</sup> However, the qualitative trends shown by the static pressure data presented above are real.

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## Velocity Biasing of Two-Component LDV Data in Low-Turbulence Flows

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THE velocity biasing of data obtained by laser Doppler velocimetry (LDV) in highly turbulent flows has been investigated for 11 years since it was originally identified by McLaughlin and Tiederman.<sup>1</sup> The constant time interval sampling approach developed and verified by Stevenson et al.<sup>2-4</sup> is the most reliable approach for eliminating this biasing. Improvements in technique and seeding detailed in Ref. 5 make this a viable approach in all flows of interest.

The purpose of this Note is to alert researchers using two-component LDV systems to a velocity biasing problem we have encountered in low-turbulence flows where it is generally assumed that velocity biasing is not a problem.

In general, it has been assumed that, when using LDV systems in flows with turbulence intensities below 10-15%, a correction for velocity biasing is not required. When measuring only the mean and fluctuating component of the directed flow, that assumption is true. However, when measuring a second or third component of velocity where the mean value of the other components is near zero and the turbulence is nearly isotropic, problems arise. Even though the turbulence level relative to the mean directed flow may be low (1-2%) the turbulence intensity relative to the near-zero mean secondary velocity component is extremely high.

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