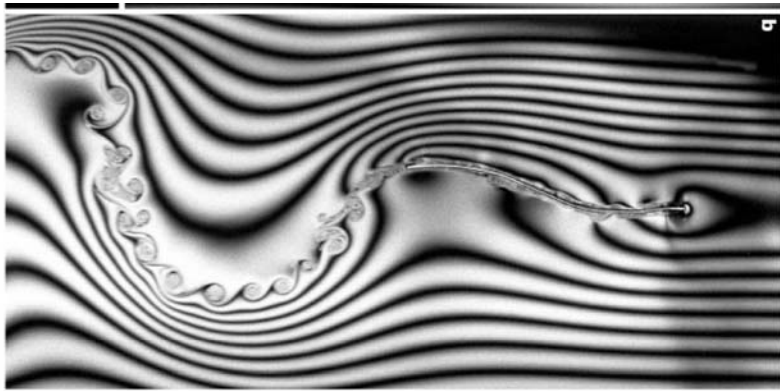


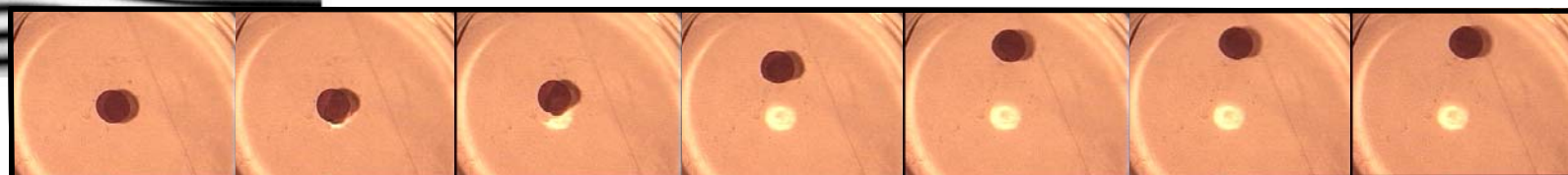
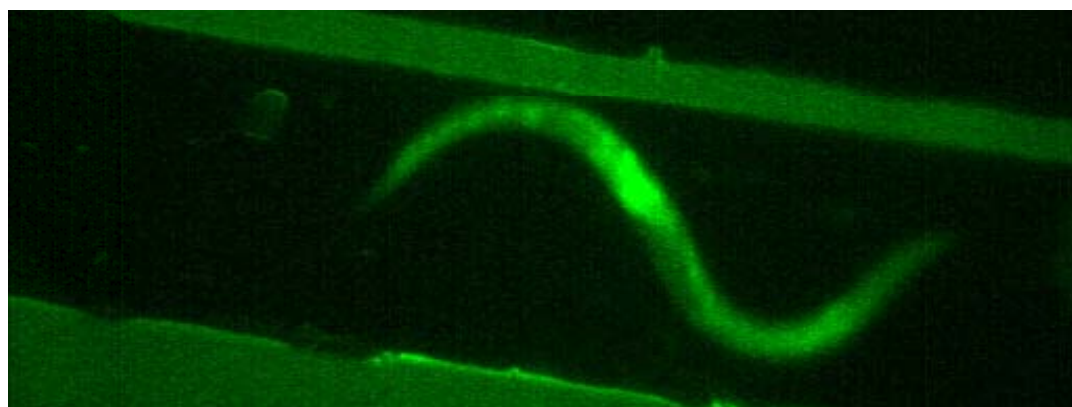
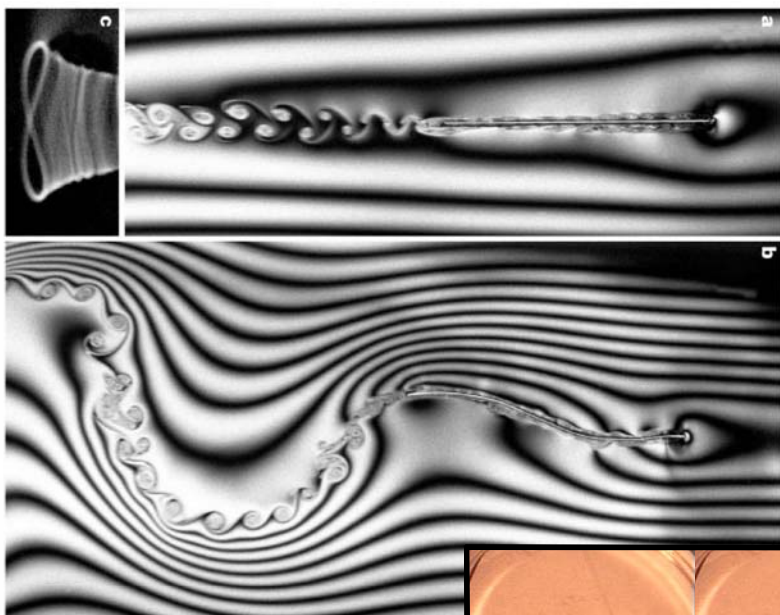
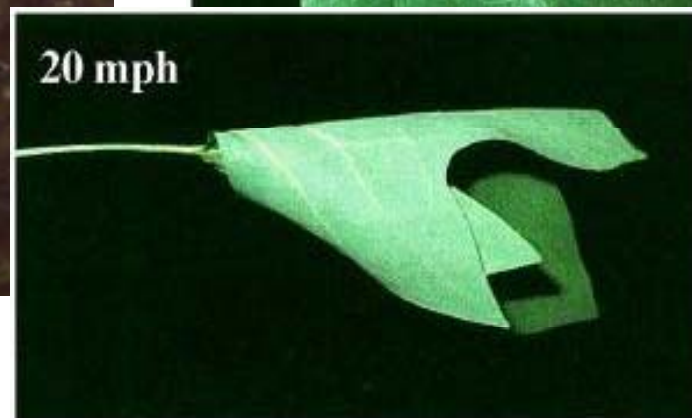
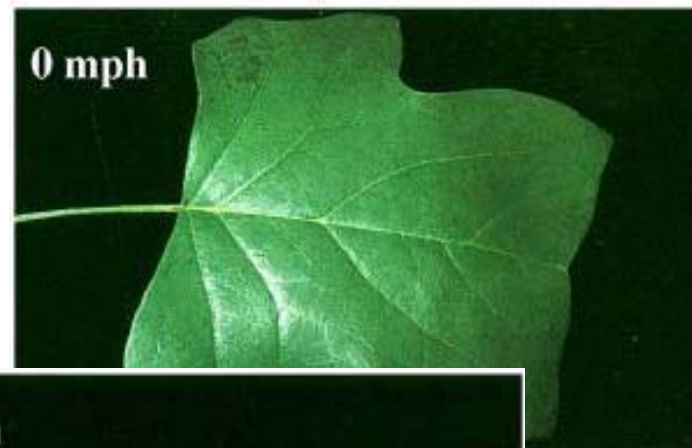
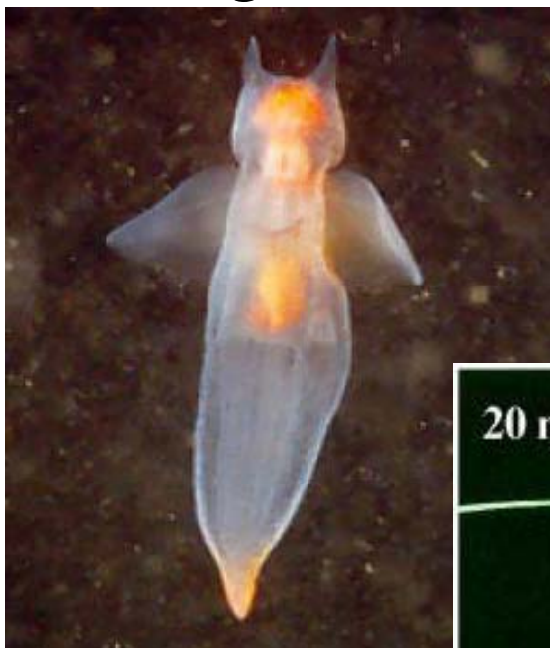
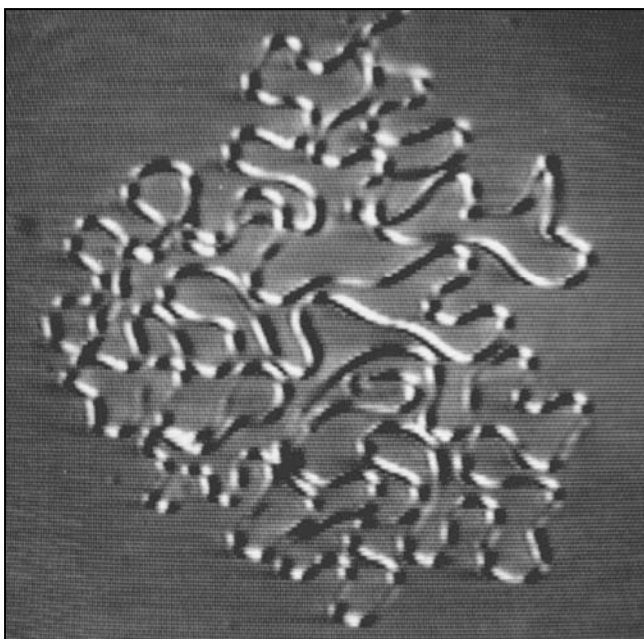
Flapping

dead fish and flight



Main collaborators: Jun Zhang,
Silas Alben, Saverio Spagnolie

Some moving/ deforming bodies interacting with fluids



t = 0

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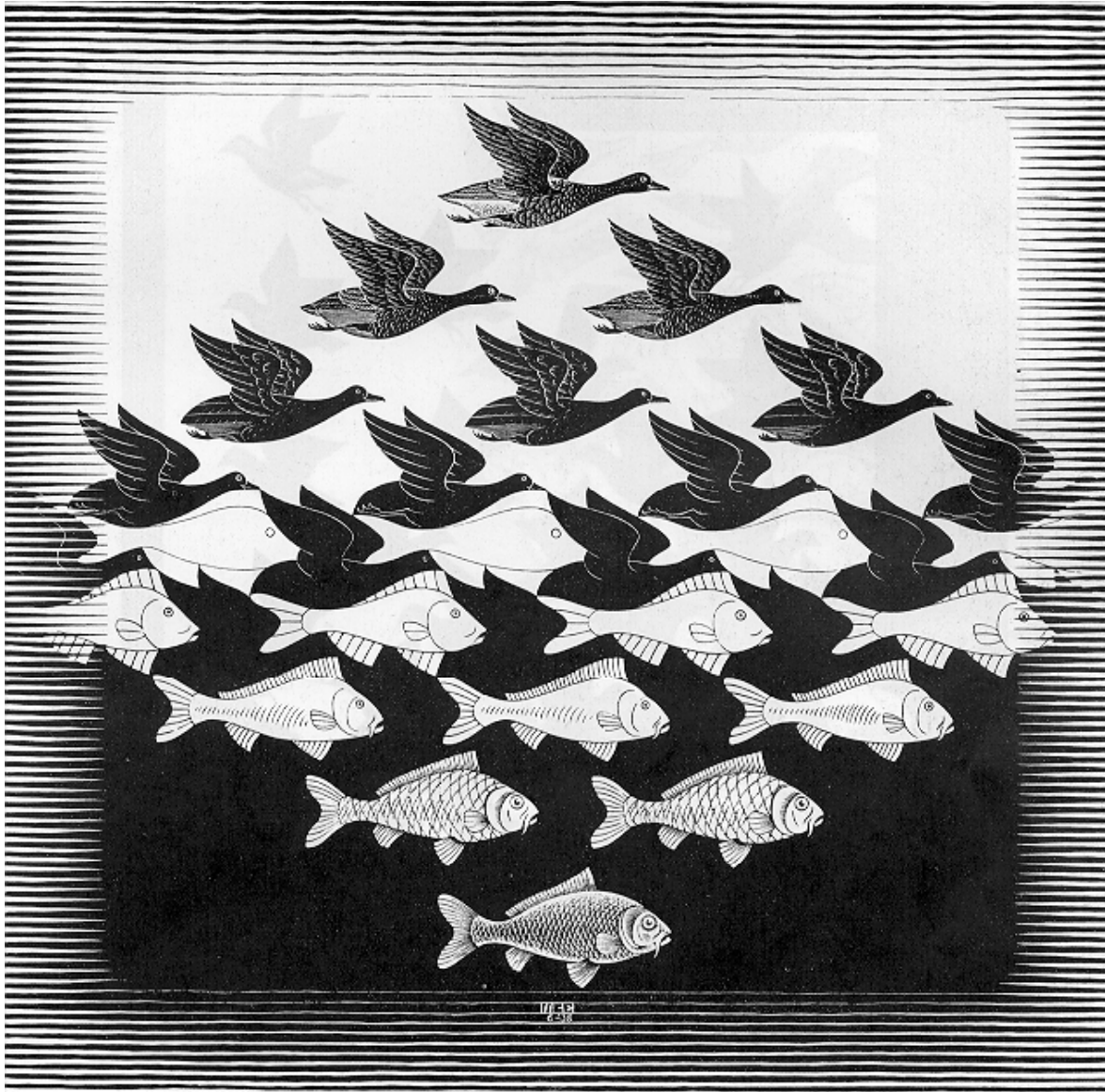
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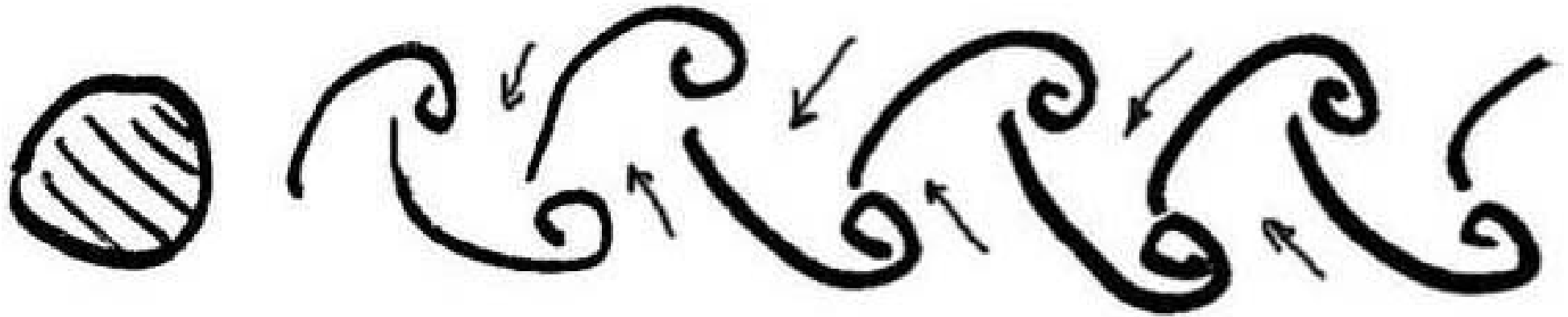
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Fish and birds share similar mechanisms to move about in water or in air.

$$Re \sim 10^{3-5}$$

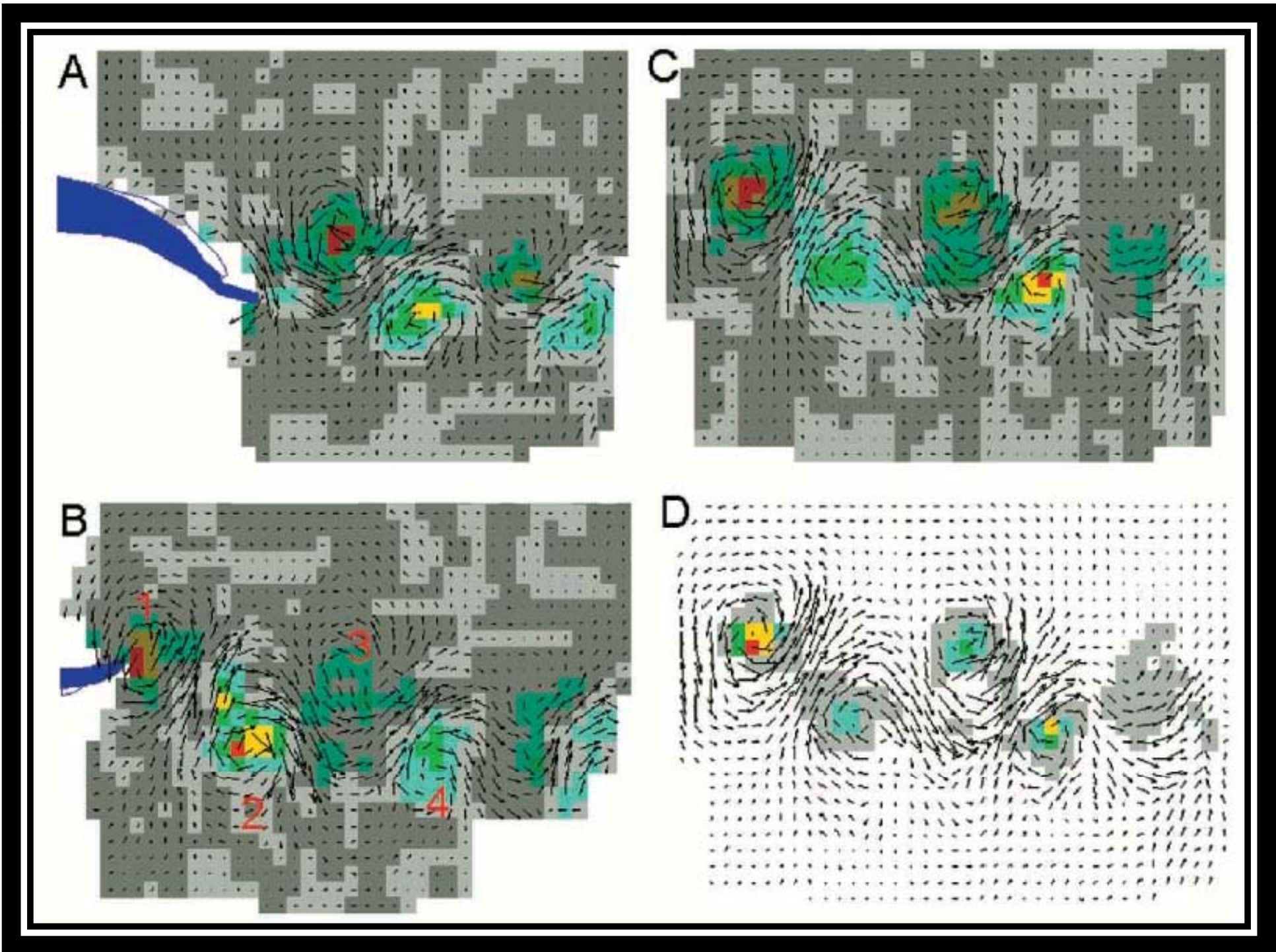
Drag wakes vs. Thrust wakes



von Kármán vortex street



Inverted von Kármán vortex street



Muller et. al., FISH FOOT PRINTS: MORPHOLOGY AND ENERGETICS OF THE WAKE BEHIND A CONTINUOUSLY SWIMMING MULLET, *Journal of Experimental Biology* **200**, 2893–2906 (1997)

An early debate about fluid-structure interactions ...



Hui-Neng (638-713)

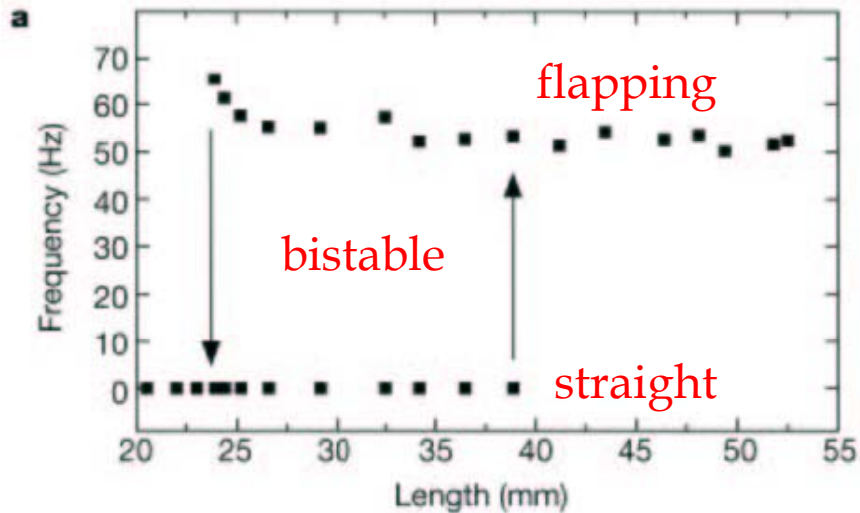


Flags flapping in soap films: A 1-d flag flapping in a 2-d wind

Zhang, Childress, Libchaber, Shelley, *Nature* 2000

Shelley, Vandenberghe, Zhang, *PRL* 2005

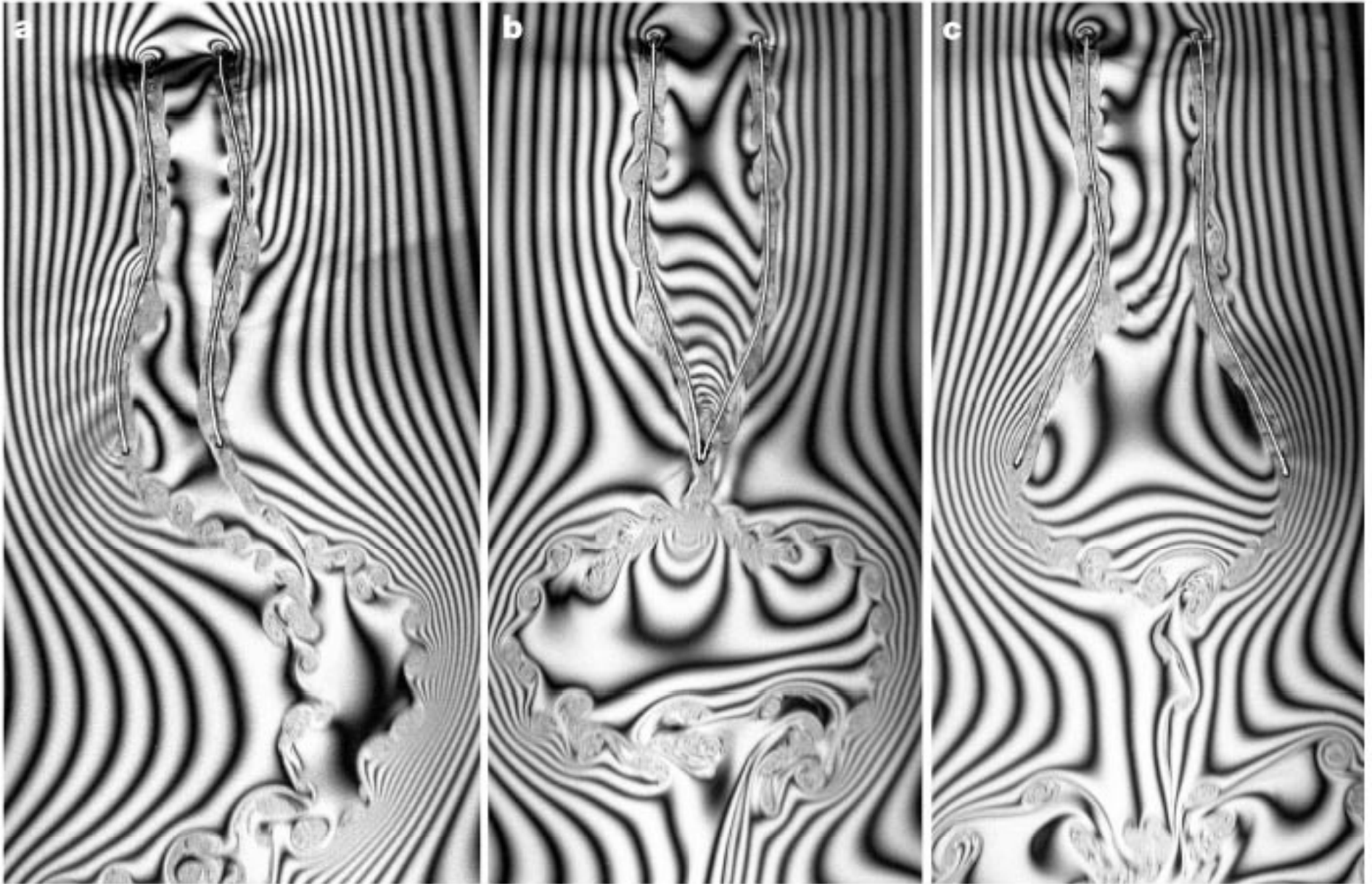
$U=1-3$ m/s, $L=1-4$ cm, $Re \sim 10^4$
bistable and hysteretic
apparent long-wave instability



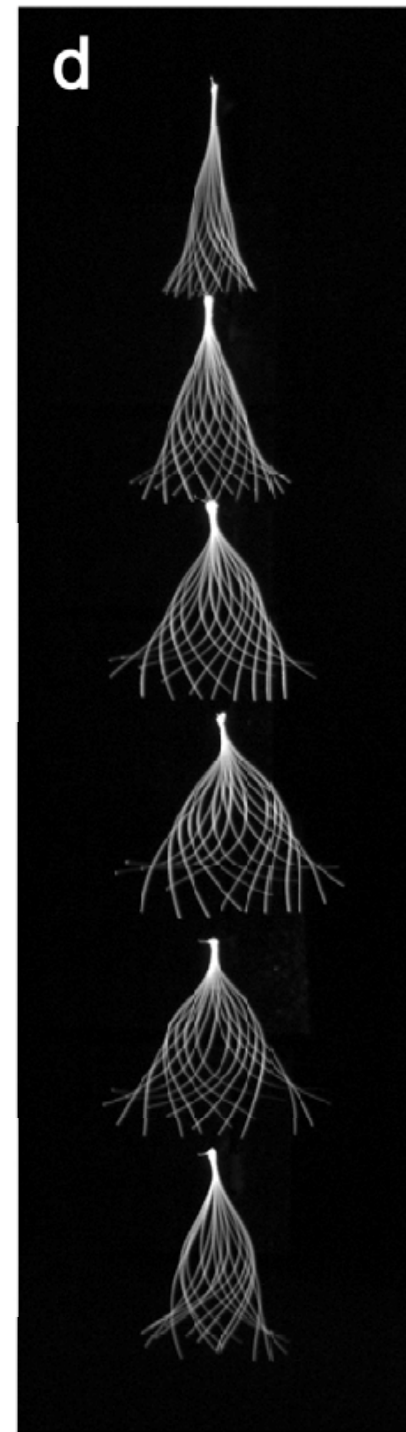
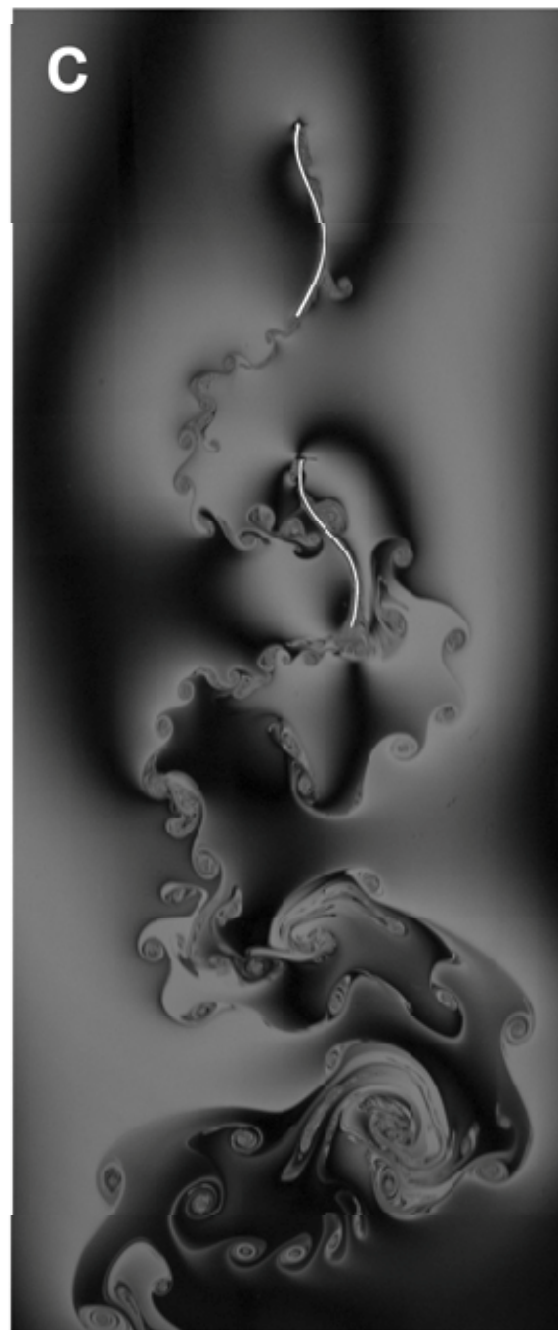
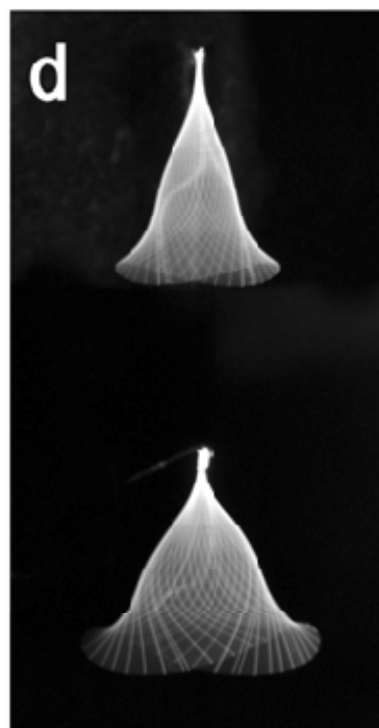
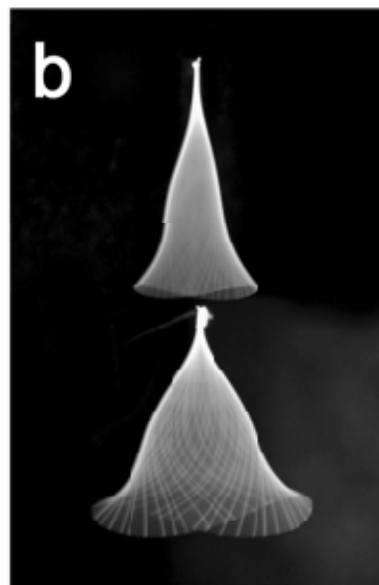
Much much work in past decade:
See **Shelley & Zhang**
Ann. Rev. Fluid Mech. 2011



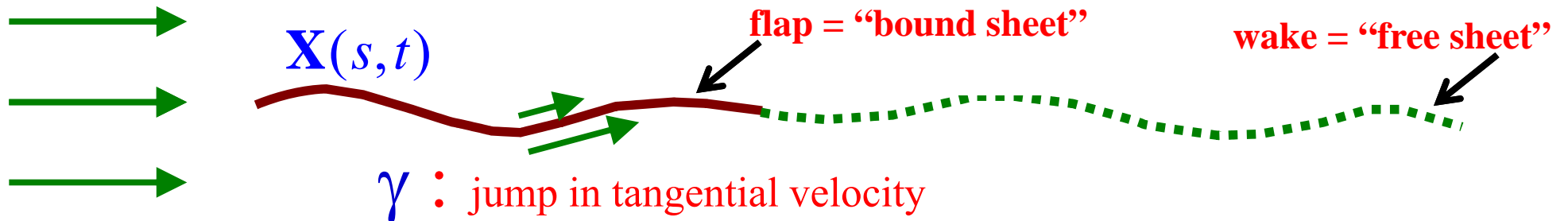
Flexible body-body coupling...



Drafting of flexible bodies – Zhang & Reistroph *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 2008



A hydrodynamical model -- flag as a surface of discontinuity
(vortex sheet) under stress.



An *exact* reduction of the Euler Eqns to the dynamics of $\mathbf{X}(s, t)$

$$\mathbf{X}_t = U \mathbf{X}_s^\perp + V \mathbf{X}_s$$

kinematic BC

$$\gamma_t = \left(\gamma (\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{X}_s - V) \right)_s + [p]_s = 0$$

vorticity transport
and production

with $U = \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{X}_s^\perp$

normal velocity

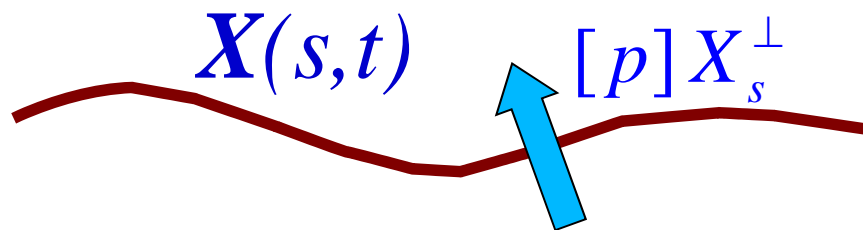
$$V = \int_0^s U(s') \kappa(s') ds'$$

choice of frame

and
$$\mathbf{W}[\gamma] = \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \gamma(s') \frac{(\mathbf{X}(s) - \mathbf{X}(s'))}{|\mathbf{X}(s) - \mathbf{X}(s')|^2} ds'$$

Birkhoff-Rott
integral
(Biot-Savart Law)

What specifies $[p]$? Surface is also an elastic sheet under pressure load



(inertial = tensile + bending + pressure) forces

$$S_1 \mathbf{X}_{tt} = (T \mathbf{X}_s)_s - S_2 \mathbf{X}_{ssss} + [p] \mathbf{X}_s^\perp$$

$$S_1 = \frac{mL}{\rho f L^2} \quad \& \quad$$

$$= \frac{\text{mass of flag}}{\text{mass of fluid}};$$

$$S_2 = \frac{E/L}{\rho f L^2 U^2}$$

$$= \frac{\text{potential elastic energy}}{\text{fluid kinetic energy}}$$

Linear Theory: $\mathbf{X} = (x, \varepsilon \eta(x, t))$ with $\varepsilon \ll 1$

Consider spatially periodic solutions $\Rightarrow \eta$ satisfies the *IDE*:

$$(\partial_t + \partial_x)^2 \eta = \frac{1}{2} H [S_1 \eta_{xxt} - S_2 \eta_{xxxxx}] \quad \text{with} \quad H[f](x) = \frac{1}{\pi} P \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f(y)}{x-y} dy$$

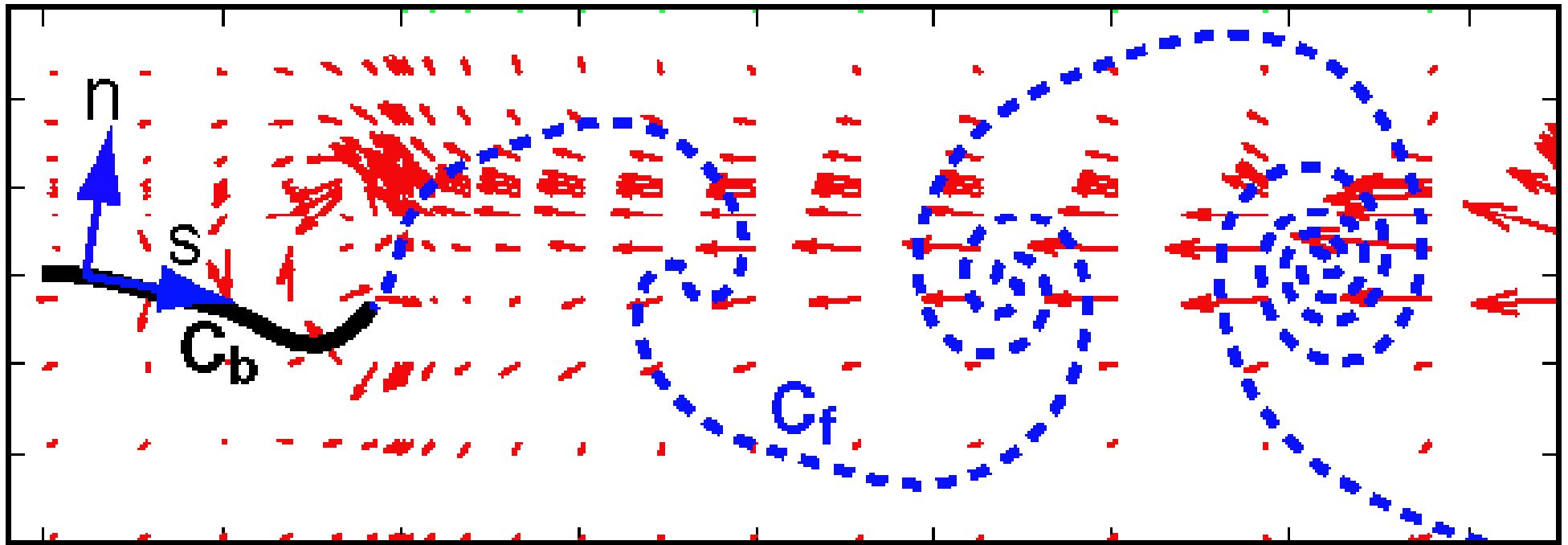
$$\eta = e^{i(\omega t + kx)}$$

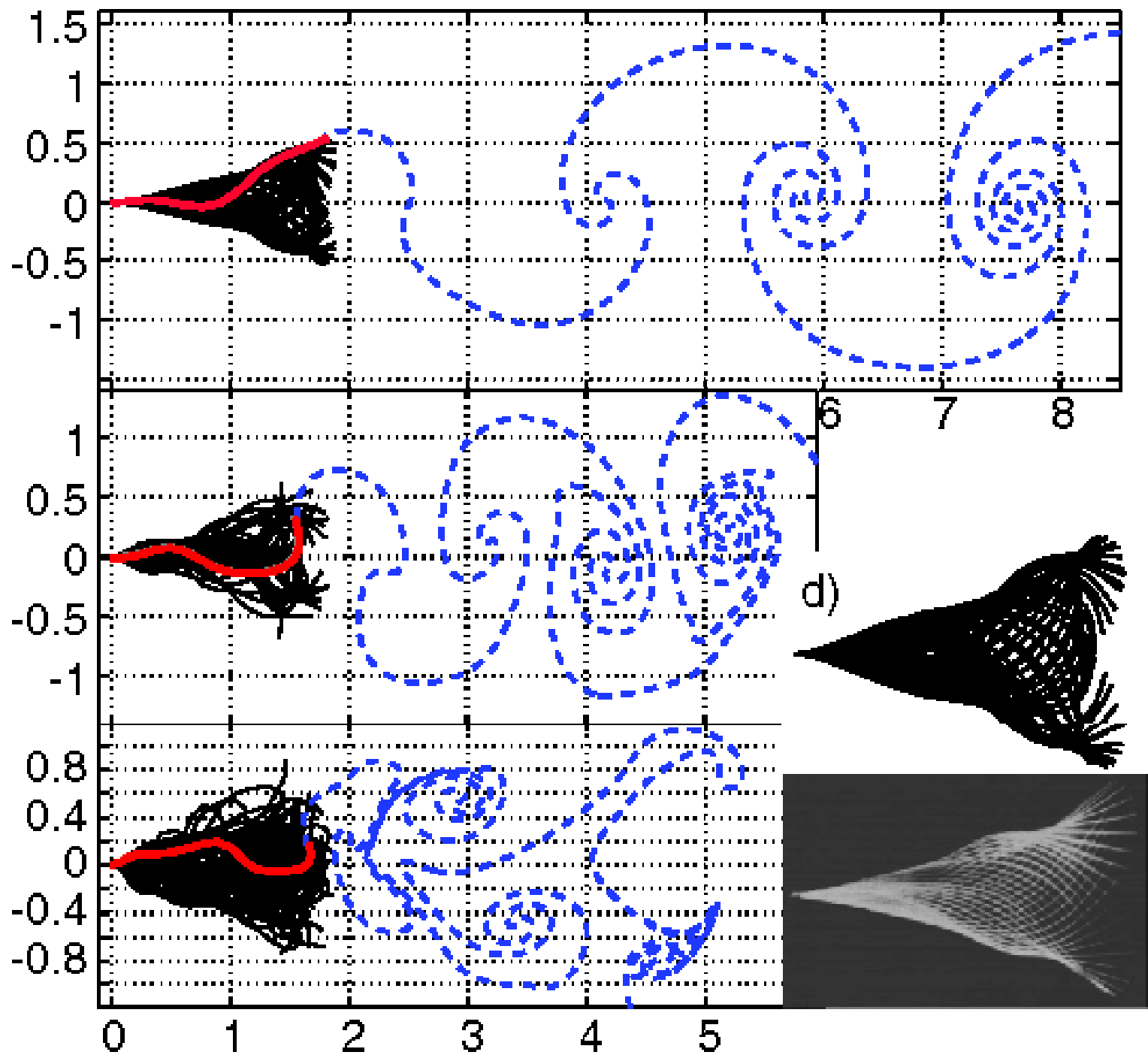
$$\Rightarrow \omega = \frac{-k}{1 + (1/2) S_1 |k|} \left[1 \pm (1/2) |k|^{1/2} \overbrace{\left(S_1 S_2 |k|^3 + 2 S_2 |k|^2 - 2 S_1 \right)^{1/2}}^{d_k} \right]$$

- $S_1 > 0, S_2 = 0 \Rightarrow$ *Unstable at all scales*
- $S_1 = 0, S_2 > 0 \Rightarrow$ **no flag mass, only dispersive waves.**
- $d_1 = S_1 S_2 + 2 S_2 - 2 S_1 = 0$ gives stability exchange for
fundamental mode

(Huang '95 numerically solves linearized finite flag w. wake)

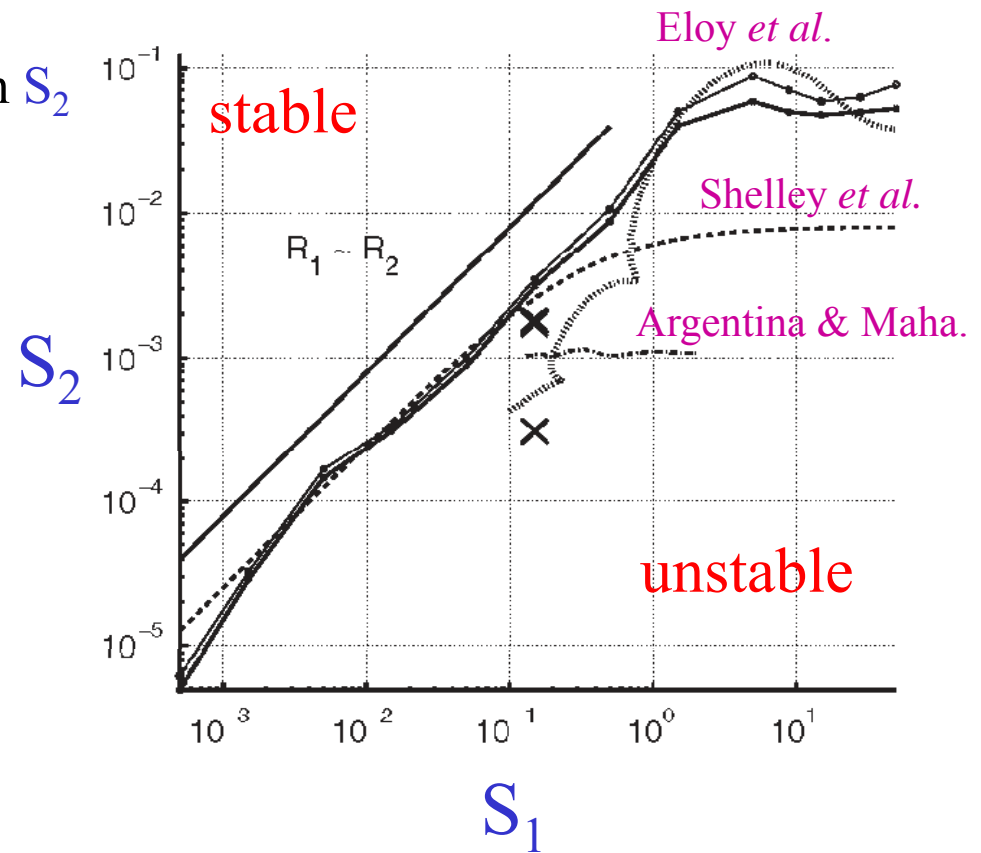
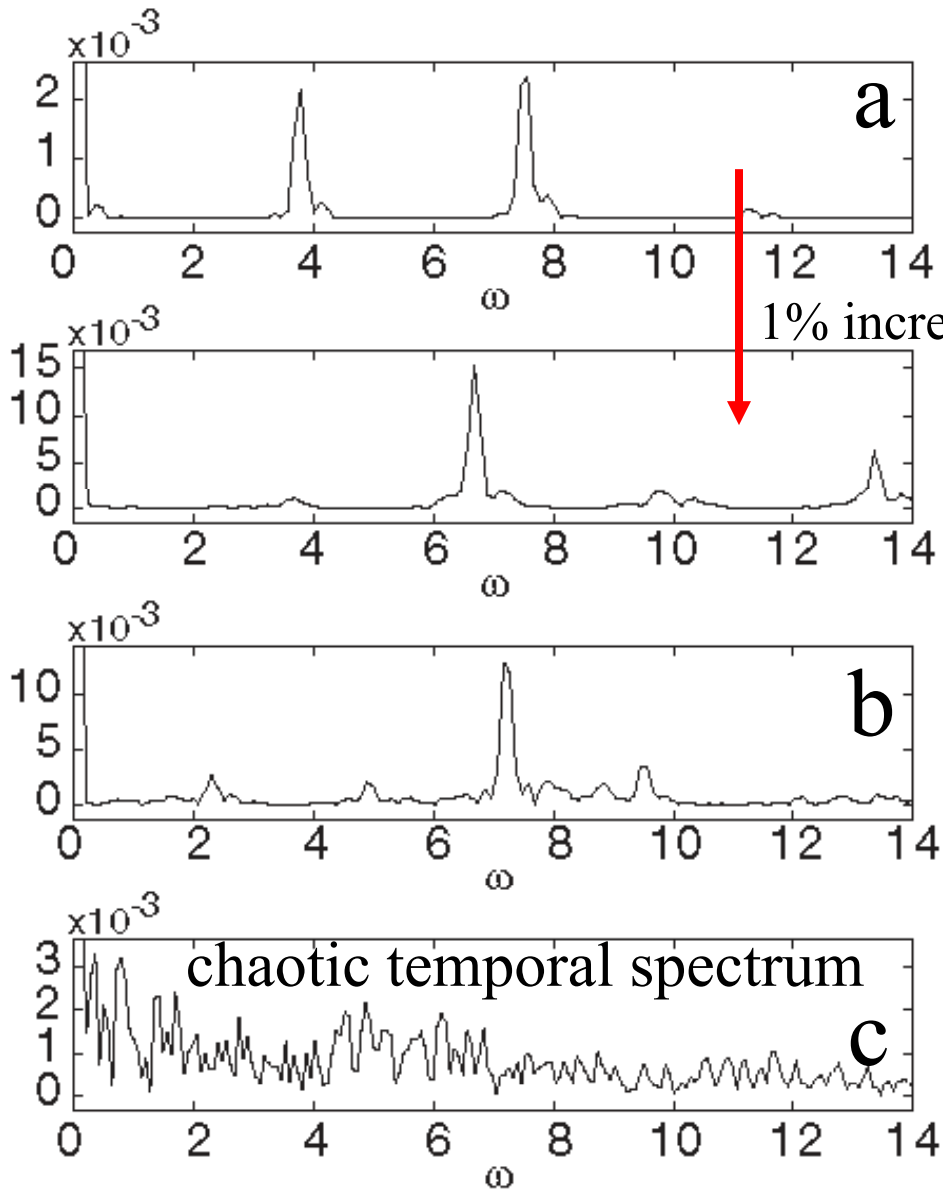
Alben & Shelley, *PRL* 2008 – flag as slip surface (bound vortex sheet)
shedding a free vortex sheet (ala Krasny 90's; Jones & Shelley *JFM* '05, ...)
Shedding rate determined by condition of bded velocity at free end.



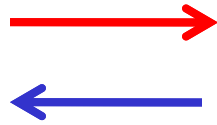
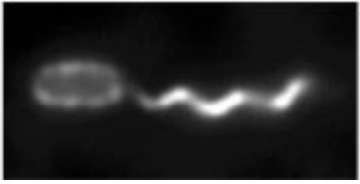


decreasing rigidity

Shows sensitivity of frequency content to S_2 , and appearance of more spatial and temporal degrees of freedom



Also observe bistability ...



non-reciprocal
waves
 $Re \ll 1$

Micro-organisms and birds
(or fish) use very different
locomotion strategies



Some organisms live between these worlds

clione antarctica

Childress and Dudley *JFM* 2004

switches strategies with adulthood:
rowing cilia to flapping wings

$Re \sim 10$



Reciprocal
flapping

$Re \gg 1$

Question: Is there some decisive change in the way a fluid and a “free” body interact as Re increases?

Navier-Stokes Eqs:

$$Re(\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}) = -\nabla p + \Delta \mathbf{u} \quad \& \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

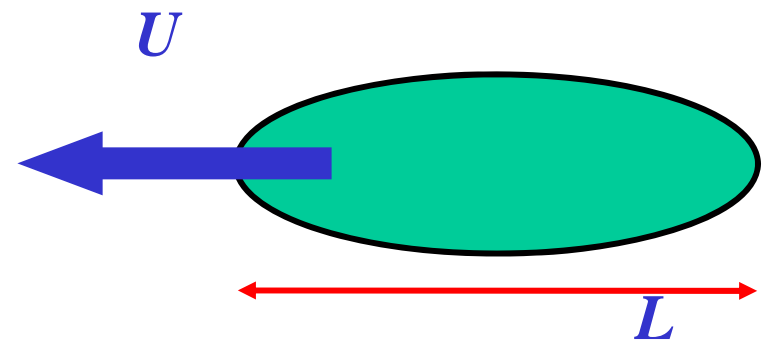
Reynolds Number: $Re = \frac{\rho U L}{\mu}$

ρ = fluid density

μ = viscosity

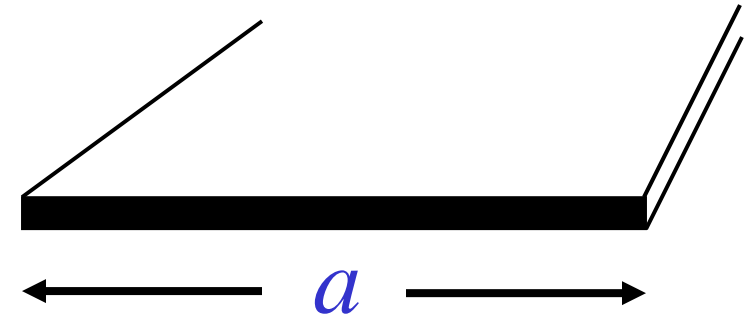
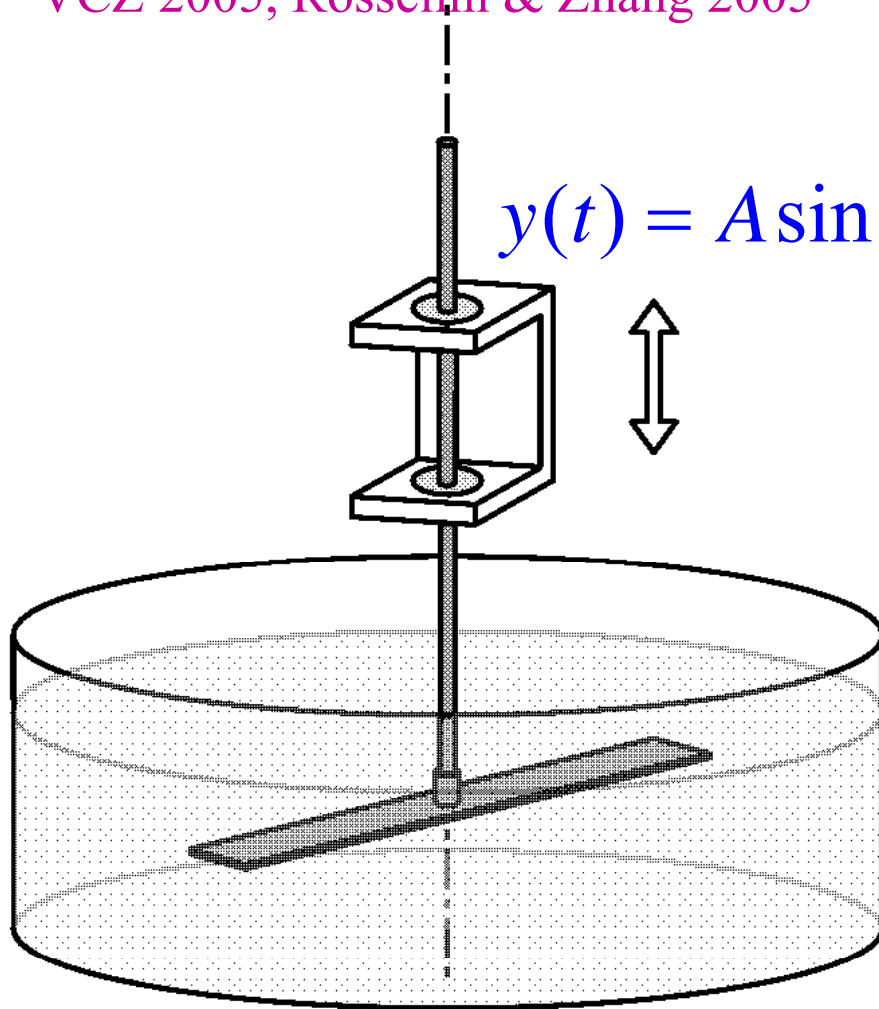
U = characteristic velocity

L = characteristic length



Rotary Reciprocal Flapper Experiment

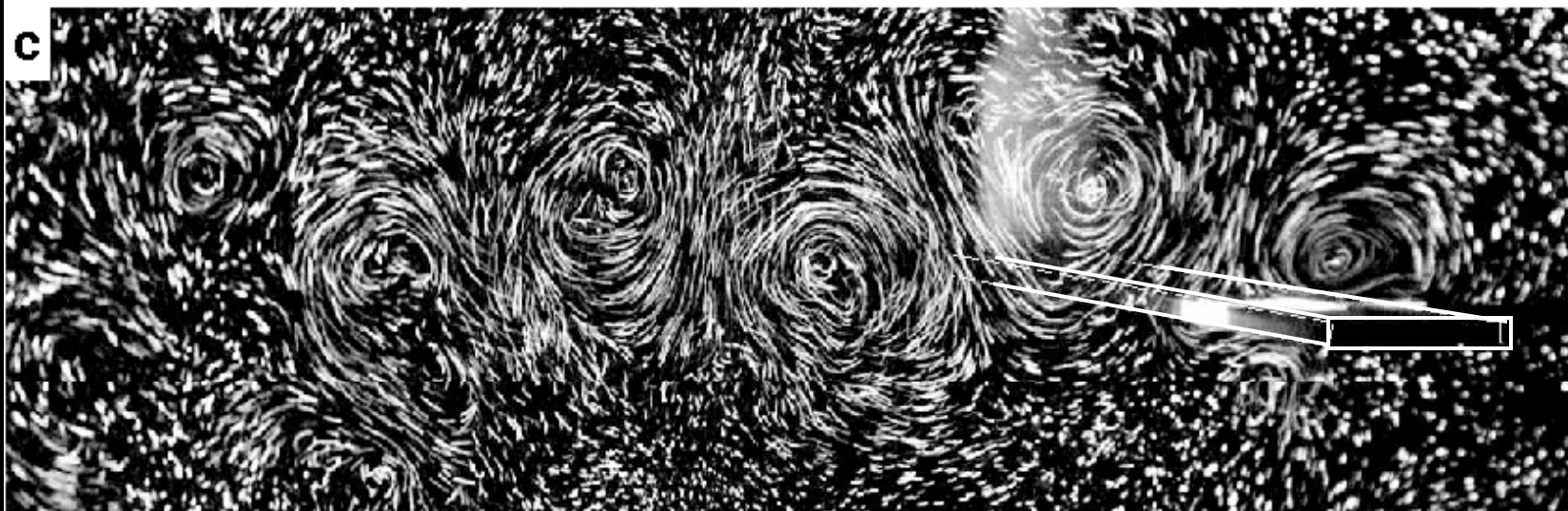
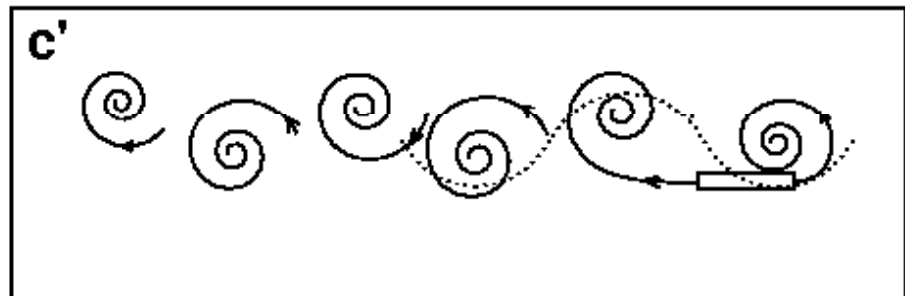
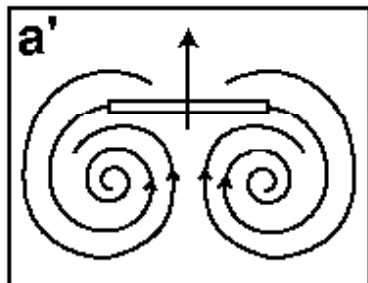
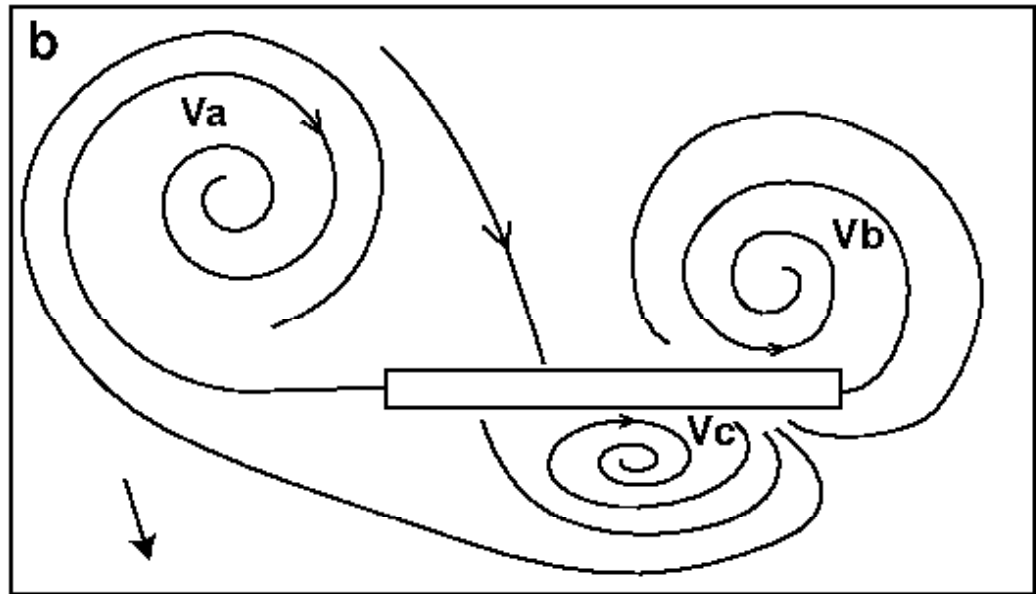
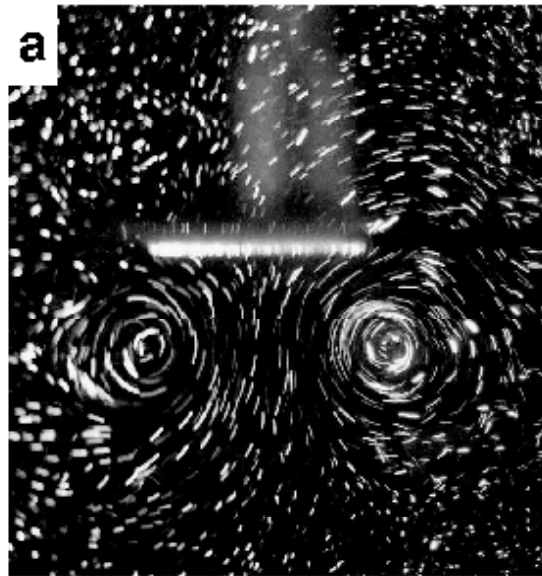
Vandenbergh, Zhang, and Childress, *JFM* 2004,
VCZ 2005, Rosselini & Zhang 2005

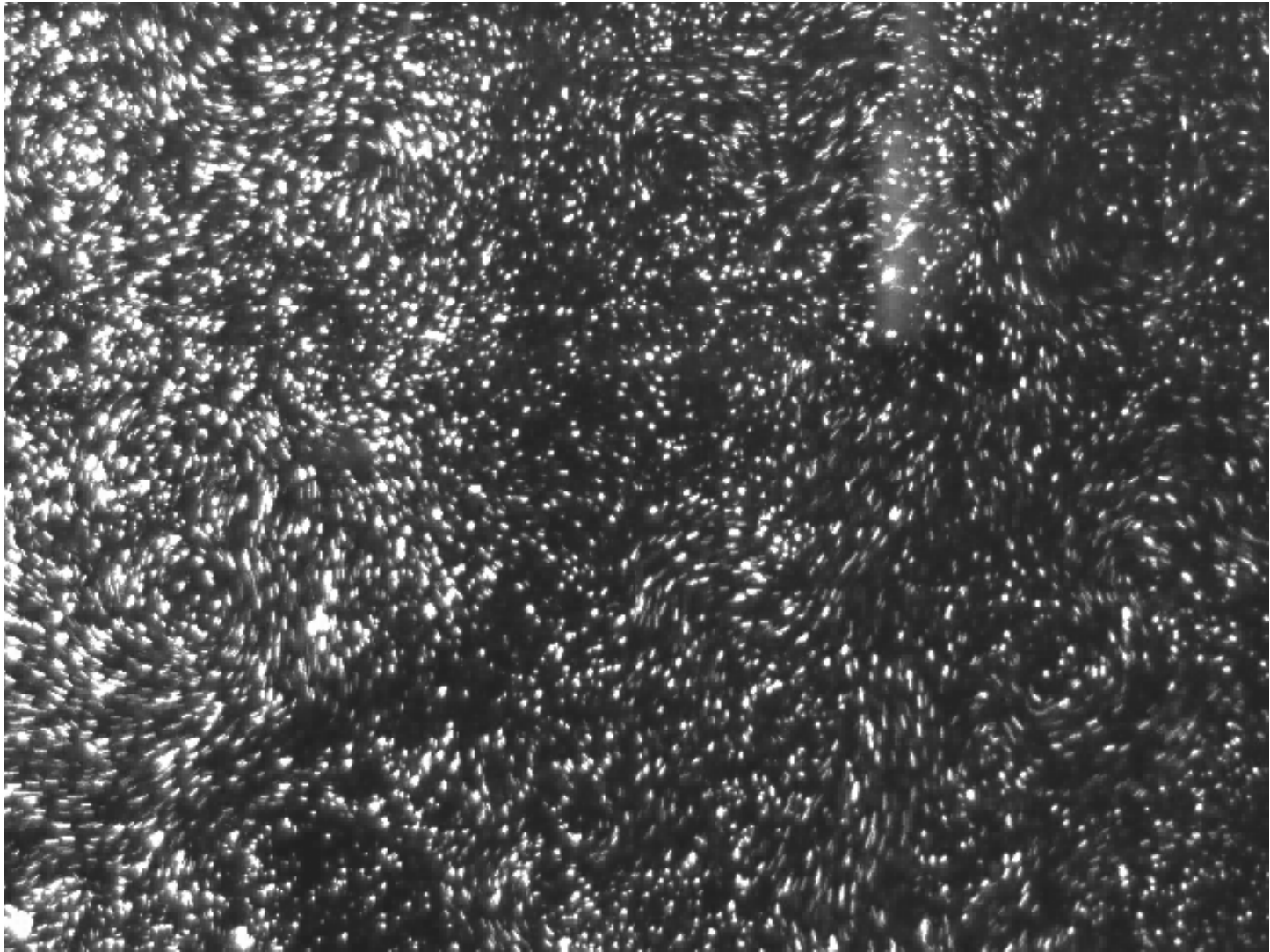


$$Re_{fr} = \frac{\rho \cdot f A \cdot a}{\mu}$$

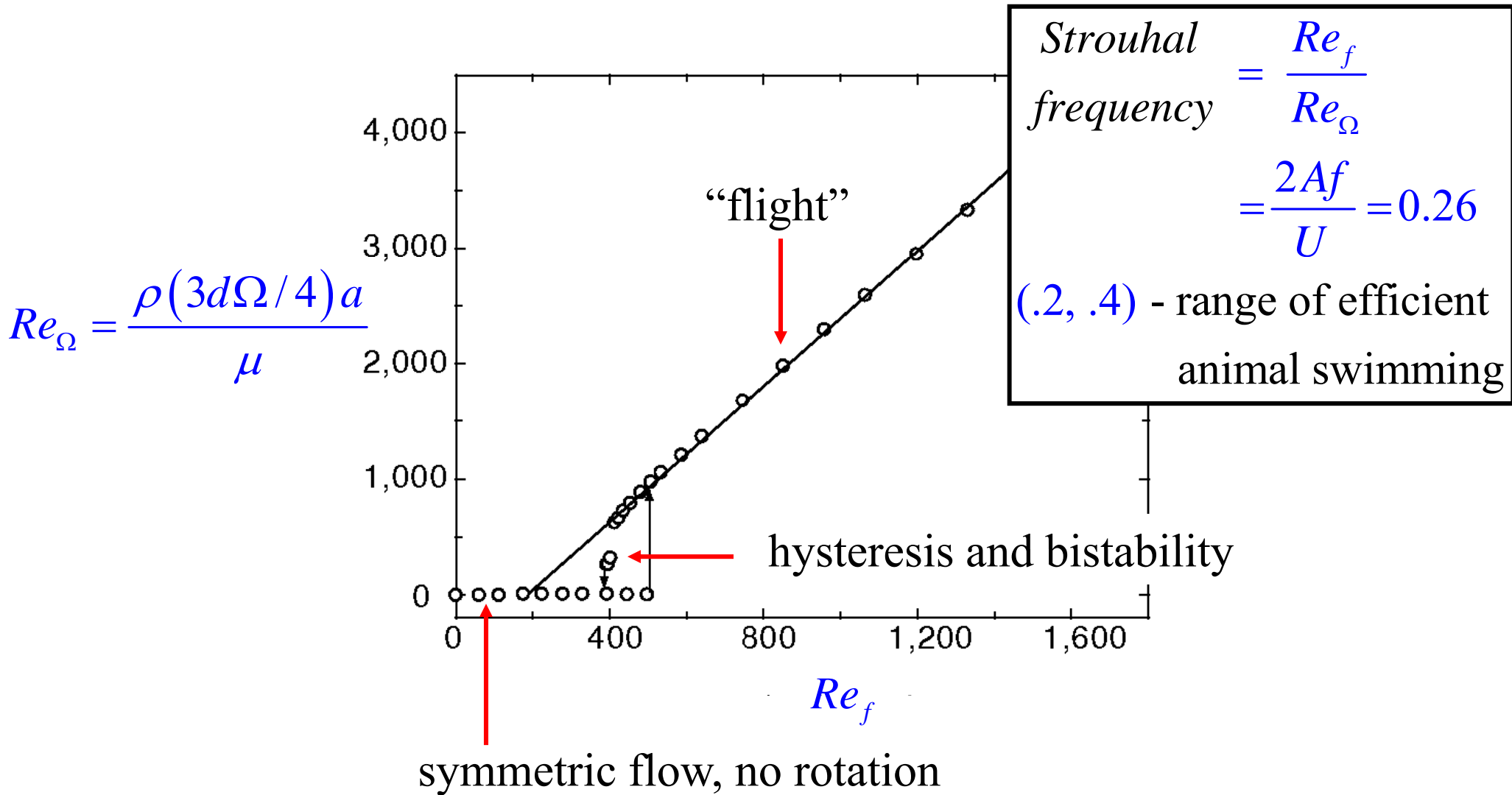
= frequency Reynolds
number

“wing” free to rotate – in either direction





Rotational speed versus driving frequency



Extrapolating out bearing friction: $Re_{fr}^{crit} \sim 20 - 50$

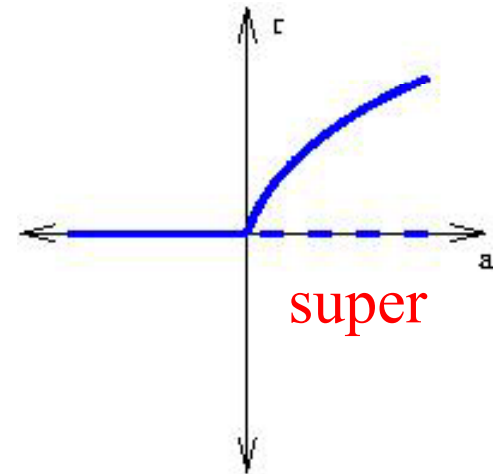
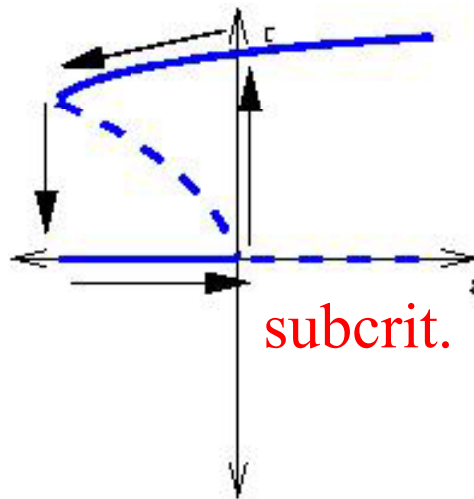
Questions from the experiment...

- What is the true nature of the bifurcation, **subcritical or supercritical?**

Friction on axle is a confounding factor.

Extrapolation with increasing viscosity:

$$Re_f^{crit} \sim 20 - 50$$



- What does the work, pressure or viscous forces, as the wing “takes off”?
- Is it really so easy? What is the role of the body mass?
Body shape?

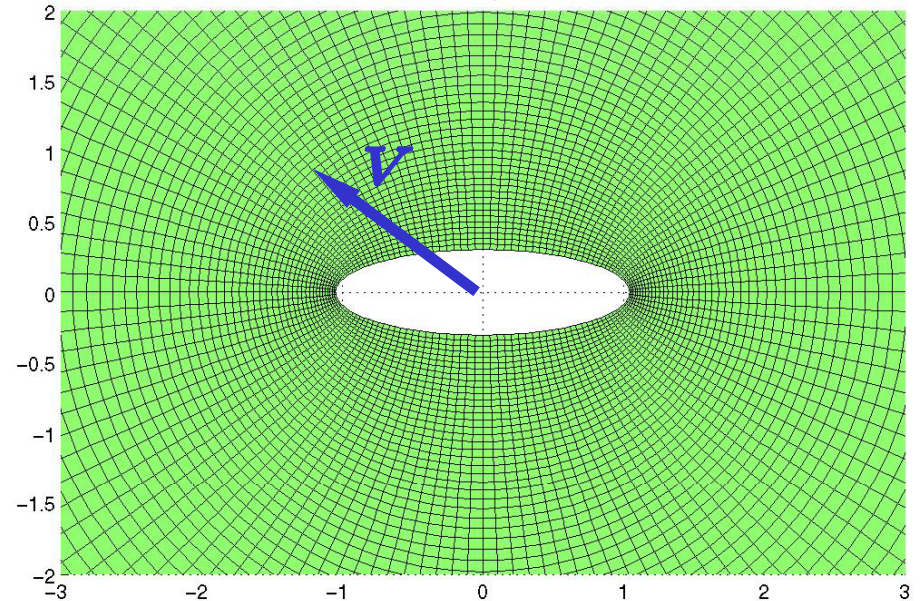
Simulate the dynamics of a 2D flapping elliptical body

$$\text{vorticity } \omega = \mathbf{k} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{u})$$

$$\begin{cases} Re (\partial_t \omega + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \omega) = \Delta \omega \\ \mathbf{u} = \nabla^\perp \psi \quad \& \quad \Delta \psi = -\omega \end{cases}$$

(Navier-Stokes in vorticity-stream variables)

Alben & Shelley, PNAS 2005



(also, Z.-J. Wang, '99, '00)

BCs in body frame:

$$\text{On the body surface } \begin{cases} \psi = \text{Const} & \text{(no penetration)} \\ \partial_n \psi = 0 & \text{(no slip)} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{In the far-field } \begin{cases} \omega = 0 \\ \mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{v} \end{cases}$$

Simulated using an 2nd – order (implicit) in time,

In space, mixed Fourier/finite differences, 4th – order method

Determining $\mathbf{v} = (v_x, v_y)$: $v_y = (2\pi fA) \cos(2\pi ft)$

- Find v_x by Newton's 2nd Law:

$$M Re_{fr} \frac{dv_x}{dt} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{fluid} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{F}_{fluid} = \int_{body} [-p\mathbf{I} + 2\mathbf{E}] \mathbf{n} ds$$

$$\text{Invariant: } M v_x + \int \hat{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \mathbf{u} dA$$

the total horizontal momentum

- Parameters:

$$Re_{fr} = \frac{\rho \cdot fA \cdot L}{\mu}$$

$$\frac{L}{W}$$

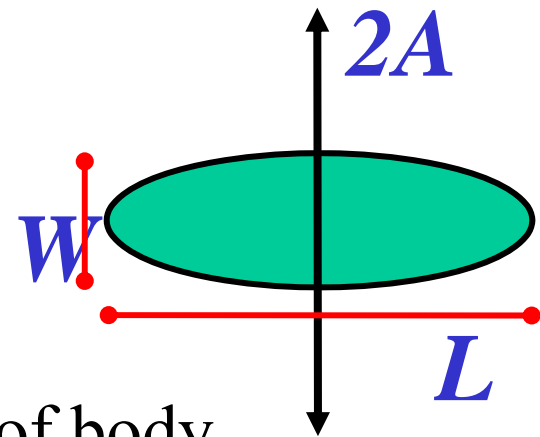
aspect ratio of body

$$M = \frac{\rho_{body}}{\rho_{fluid}} \frac{Area}{L^2}$$

$$\frac{A}{L}$$

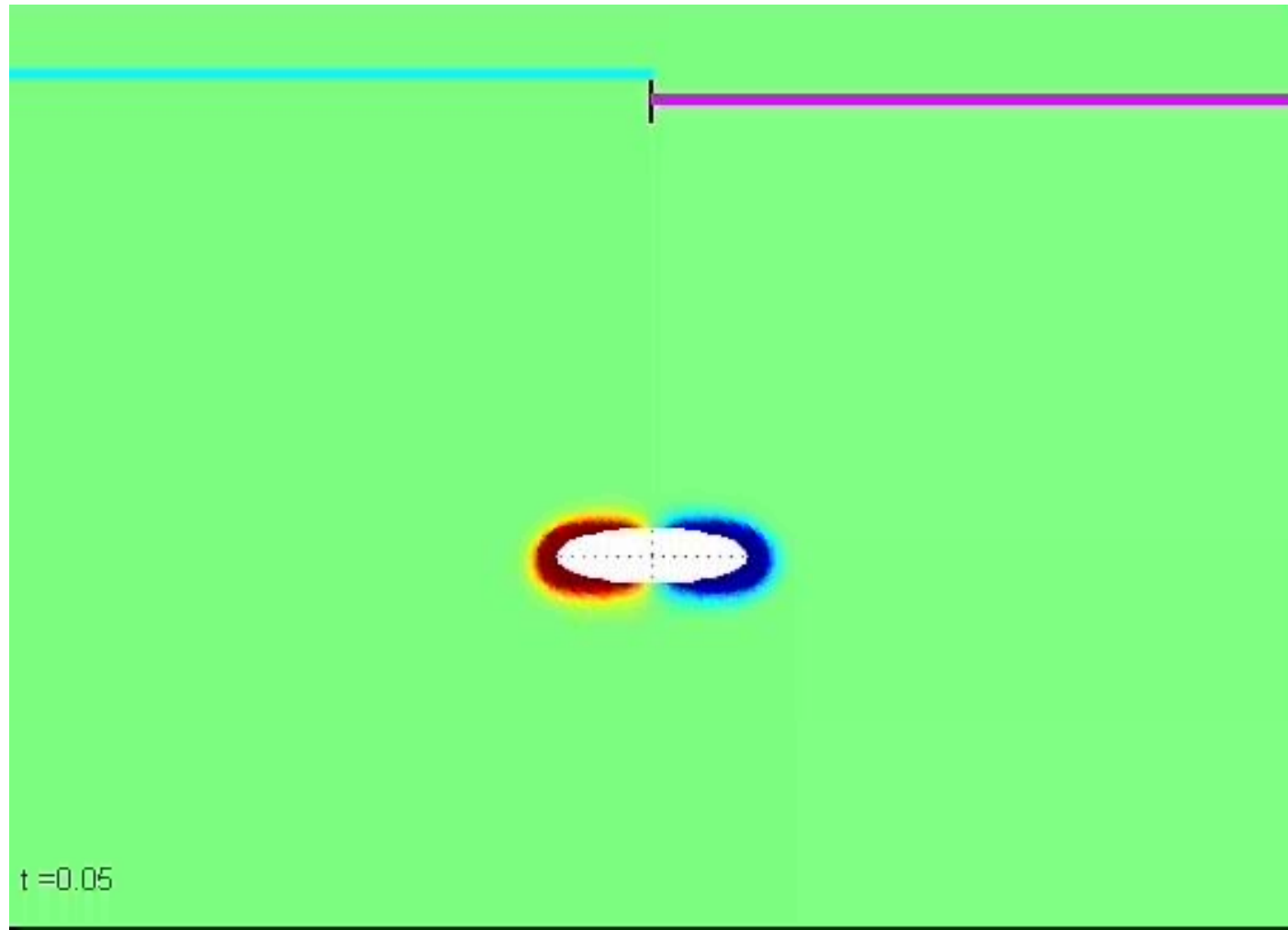
chord-to-amplitude ratio (set to 1/2)

= effective mass



“low” Reynolds number flapping

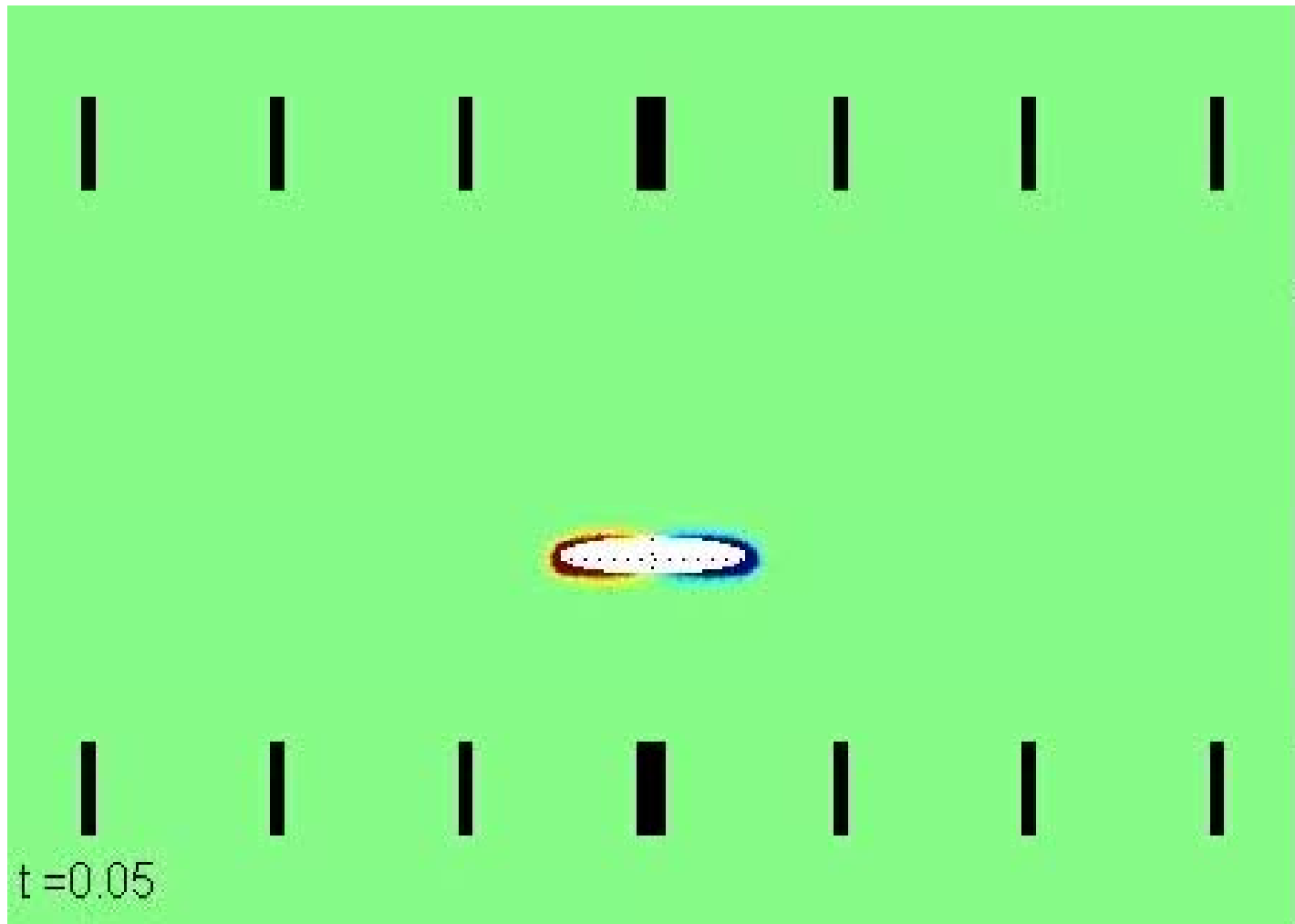
$$\text{Re}_{fr} = 7, \quad M = 1, \quad L/W = 3$$



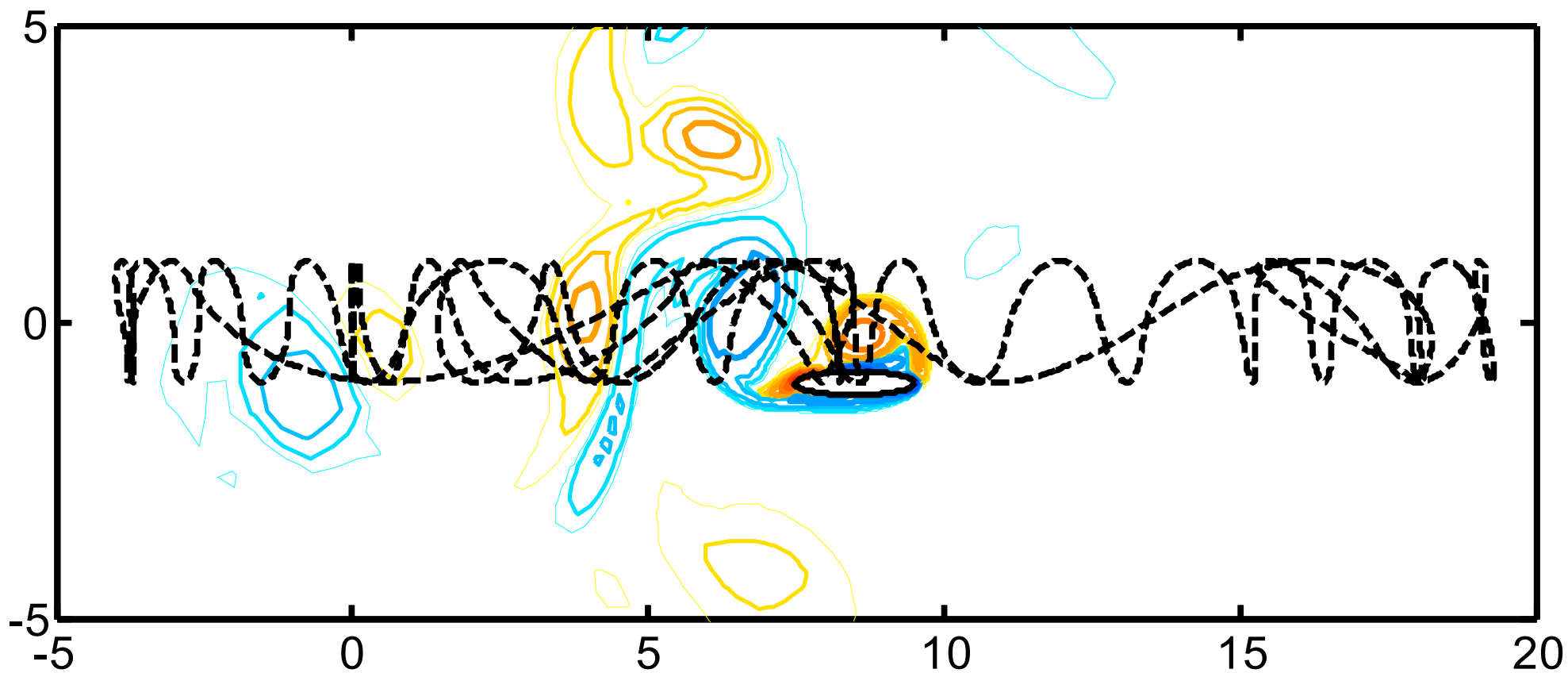
Symmetric fluid response

A faster body ...

$$\text{Re}_f = 35, \quad \rho_b / \rho = 1, \quad L/W = 5$$

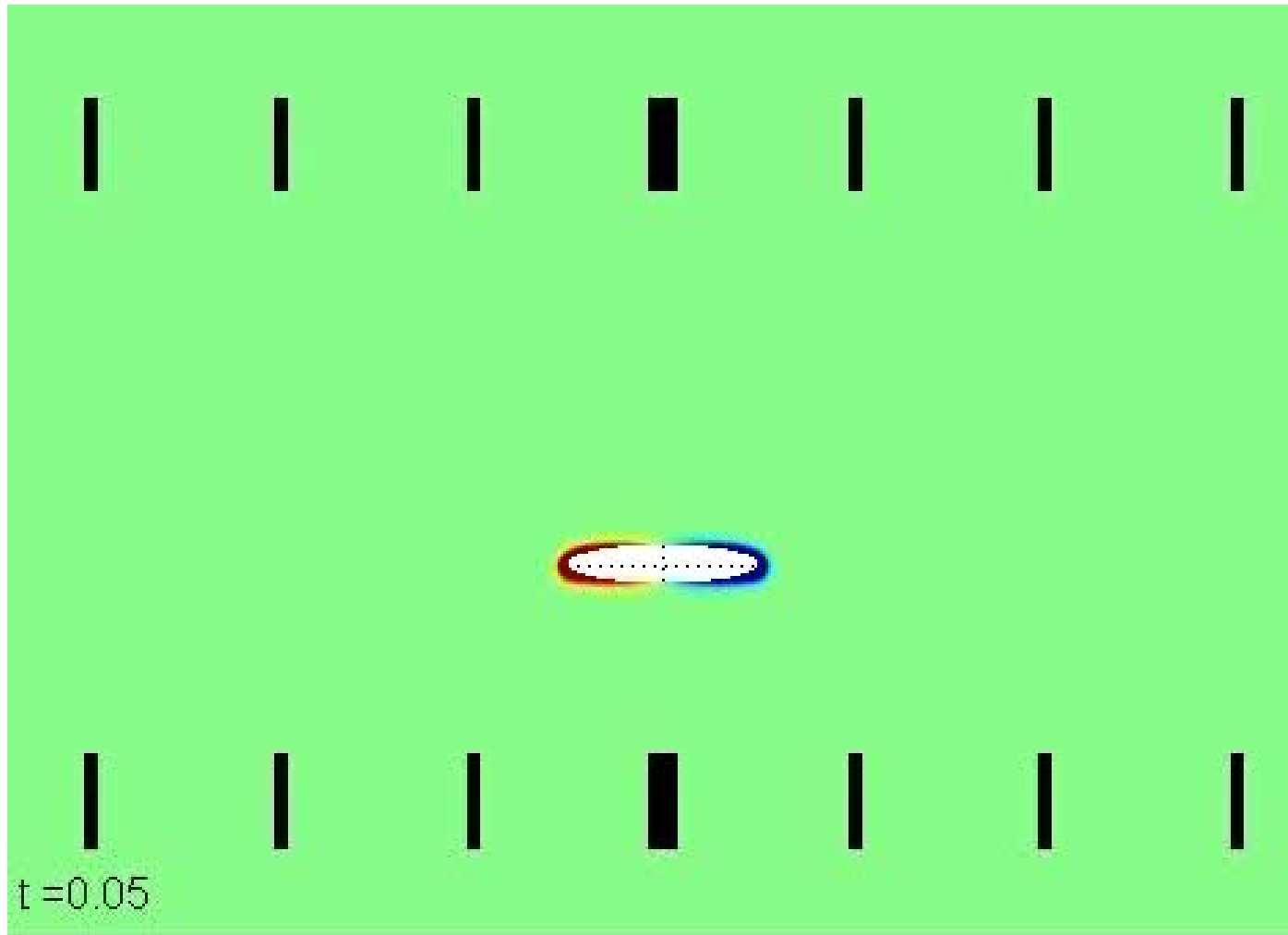


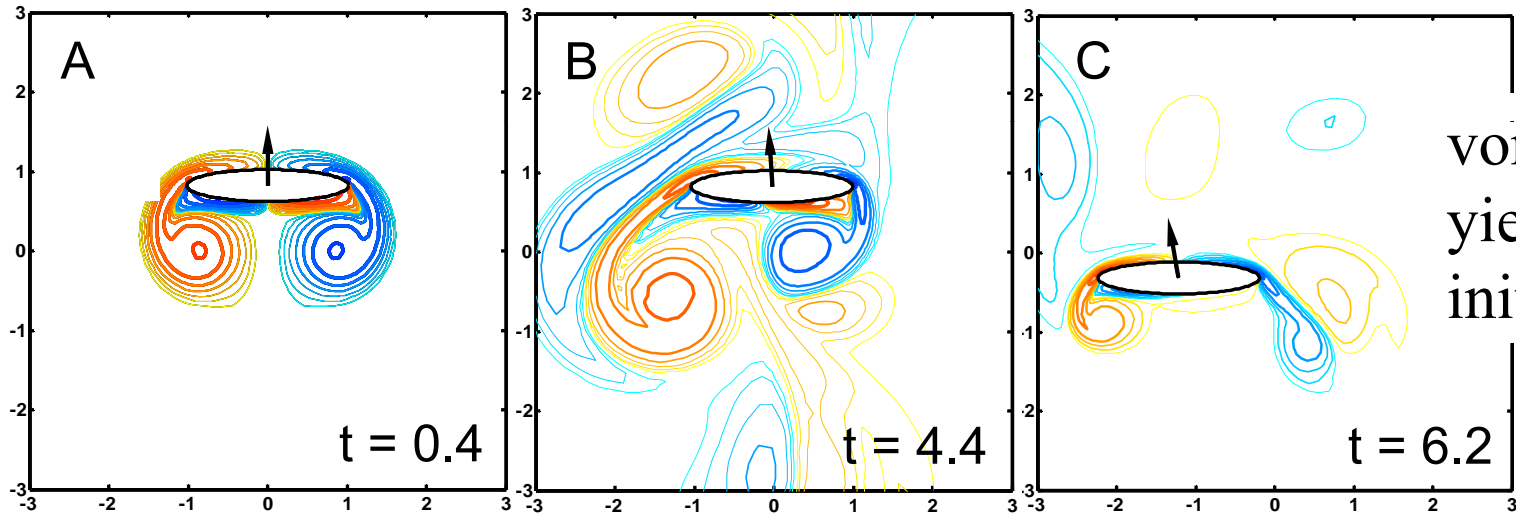
Swimming? Chaotically perhaps



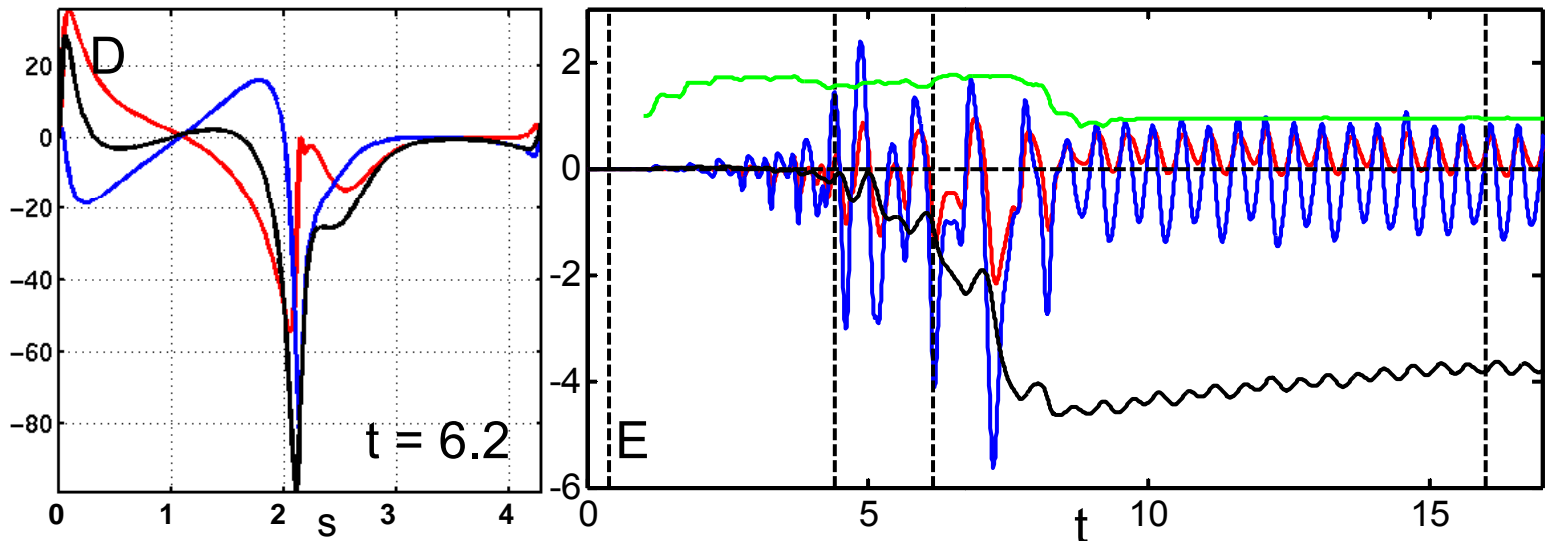
let's make the “swimmer” a little heavier ...

$$\text{Re}_{fr} = 35, \quad \rho_b / \rho = 32, \quad L/W = 5$$

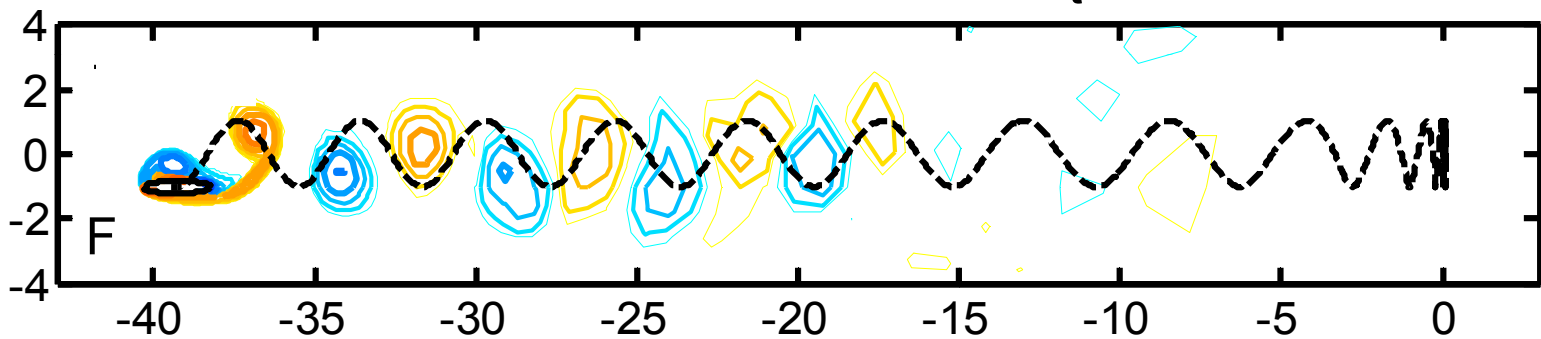




vortex collision
yields dipole
initiates locomotion

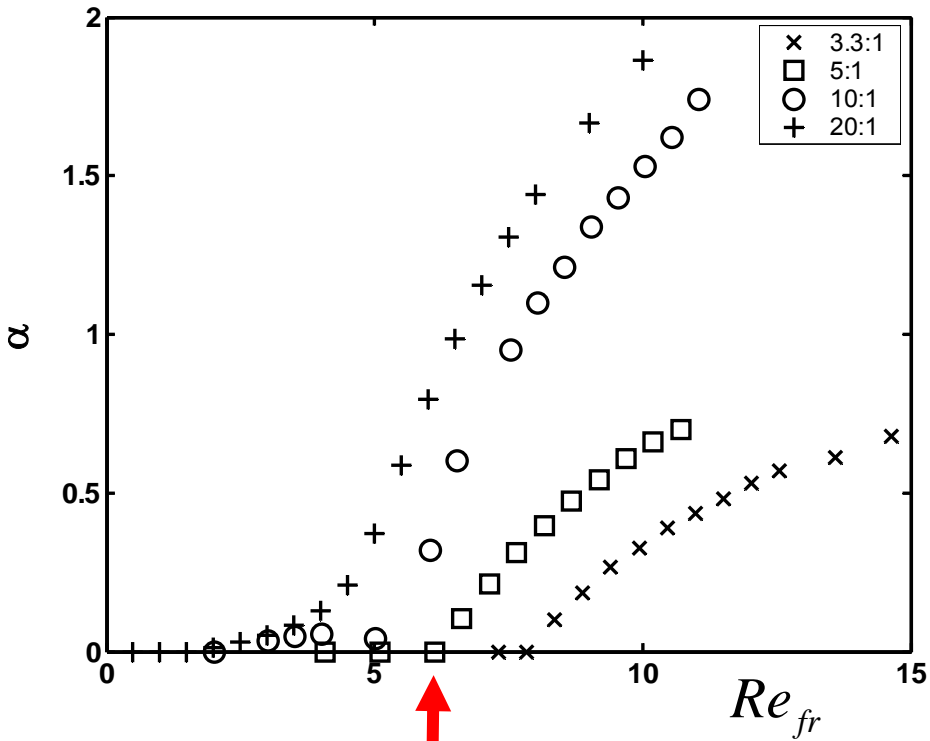


pressure forces
> viscous forces
locomotion
decreases
input power

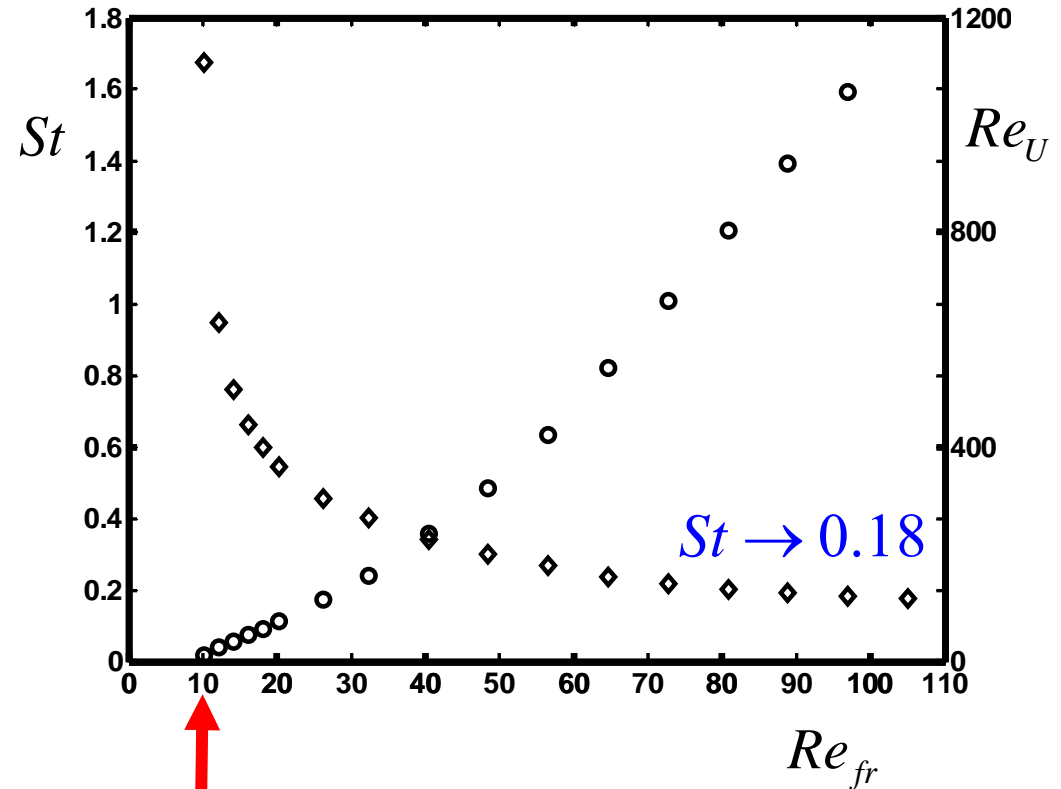


Find that $|v_x| \sim e^{\alpha t}$

$$Re_U = \frac{\rho UL}{\mu}; \quad St = \frac{2Re_{fr}}{Re_U}$$



Critical $Re_{fr} \approx 7$

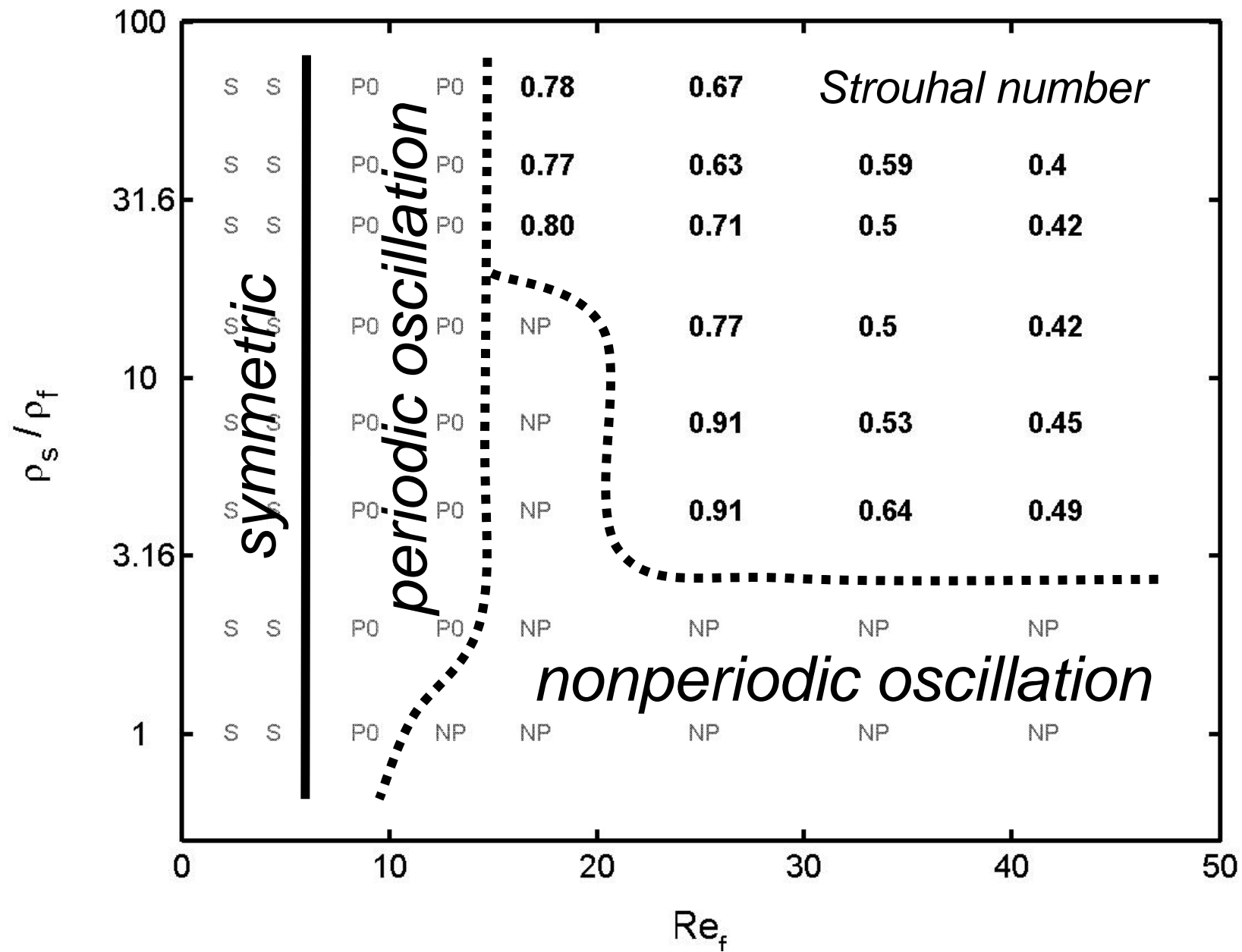


Critical $Re_{fr} \approx 10$

First bifurcation is von Karman instability of a symmetric wake

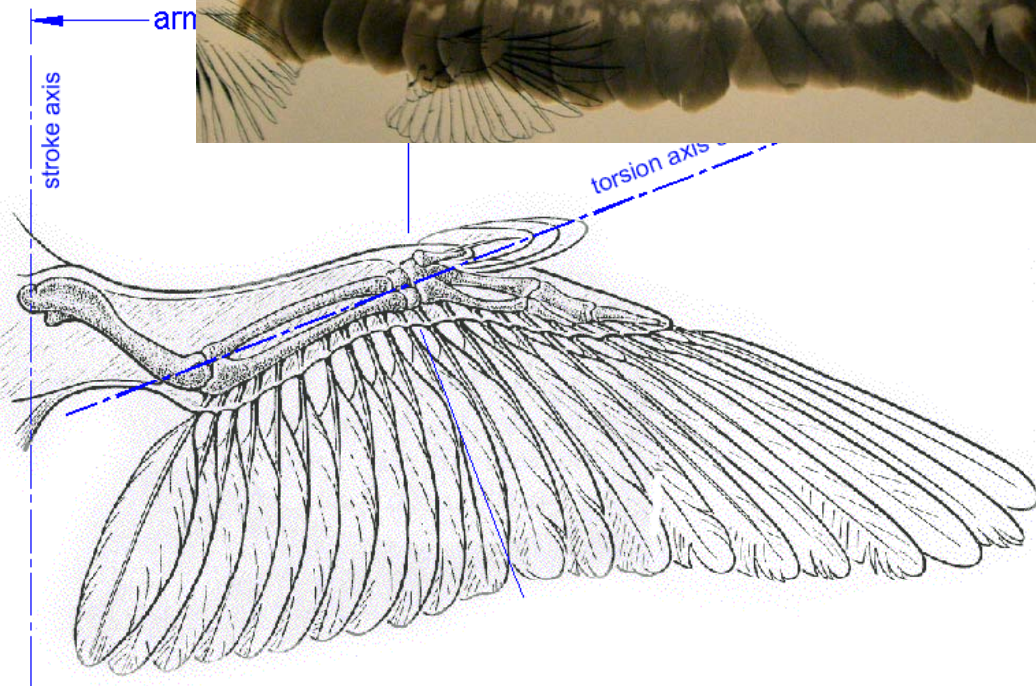
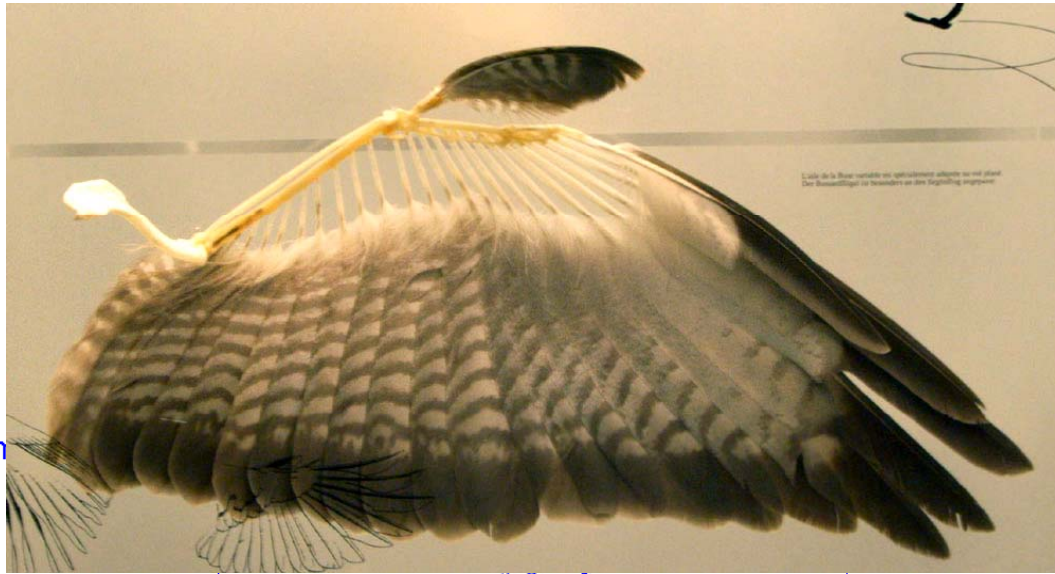
Second is to unidirectional locomotion – looks *supercritical*

$St=0.2 - 0.4$ typically observed for animal locomotion



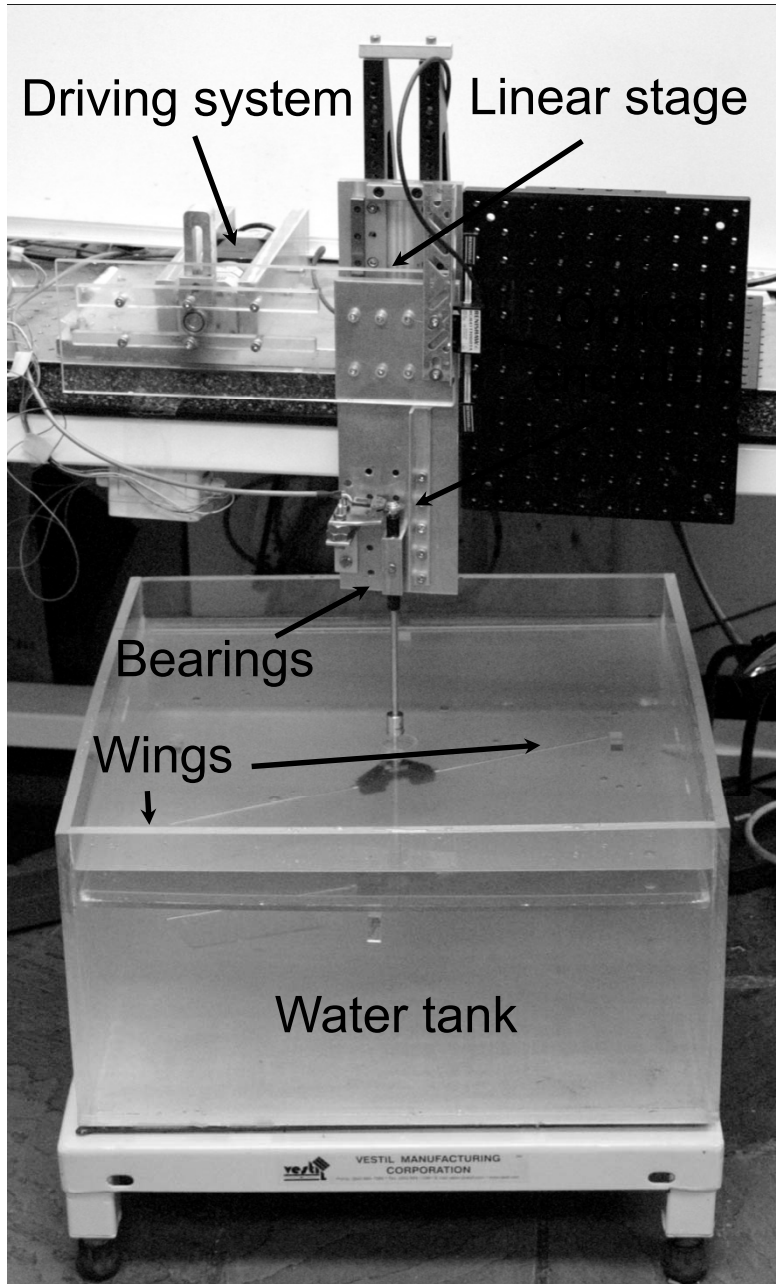
What is the effect of passive pitching in free flapping flight ?

Most of the animals have *passive* flexing parts/appendages (wings and fins).
Is there any advantage or disadvantage to be (somewhat) flexible?

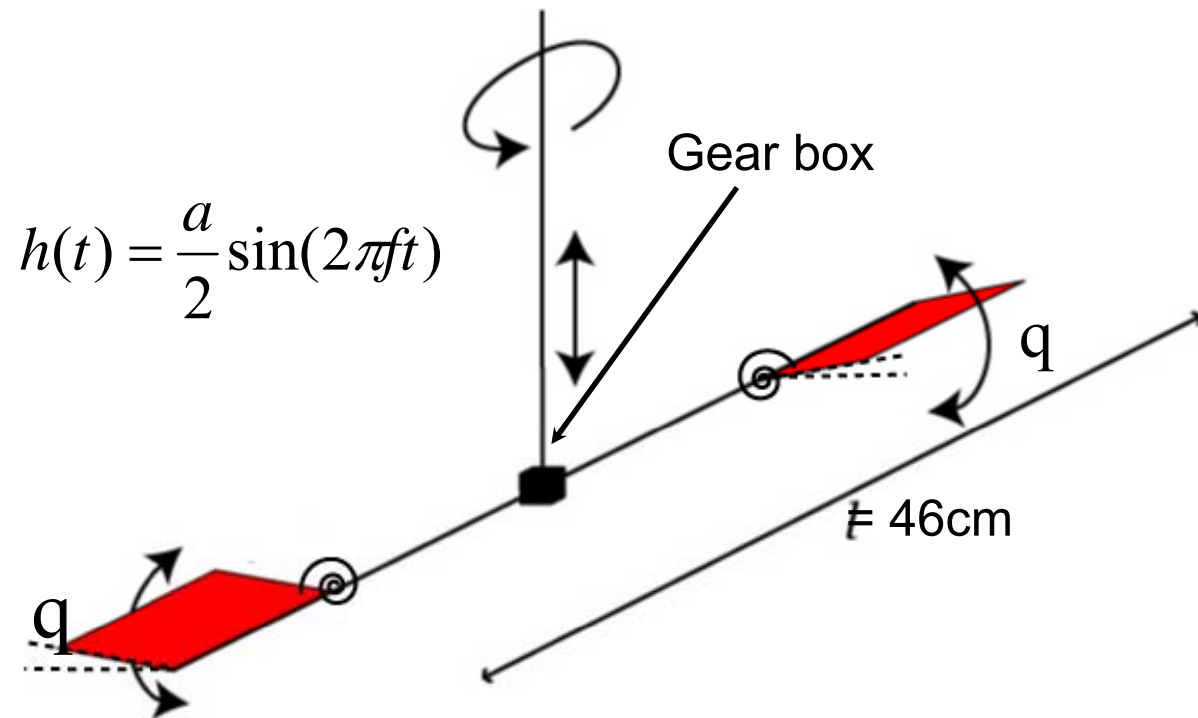


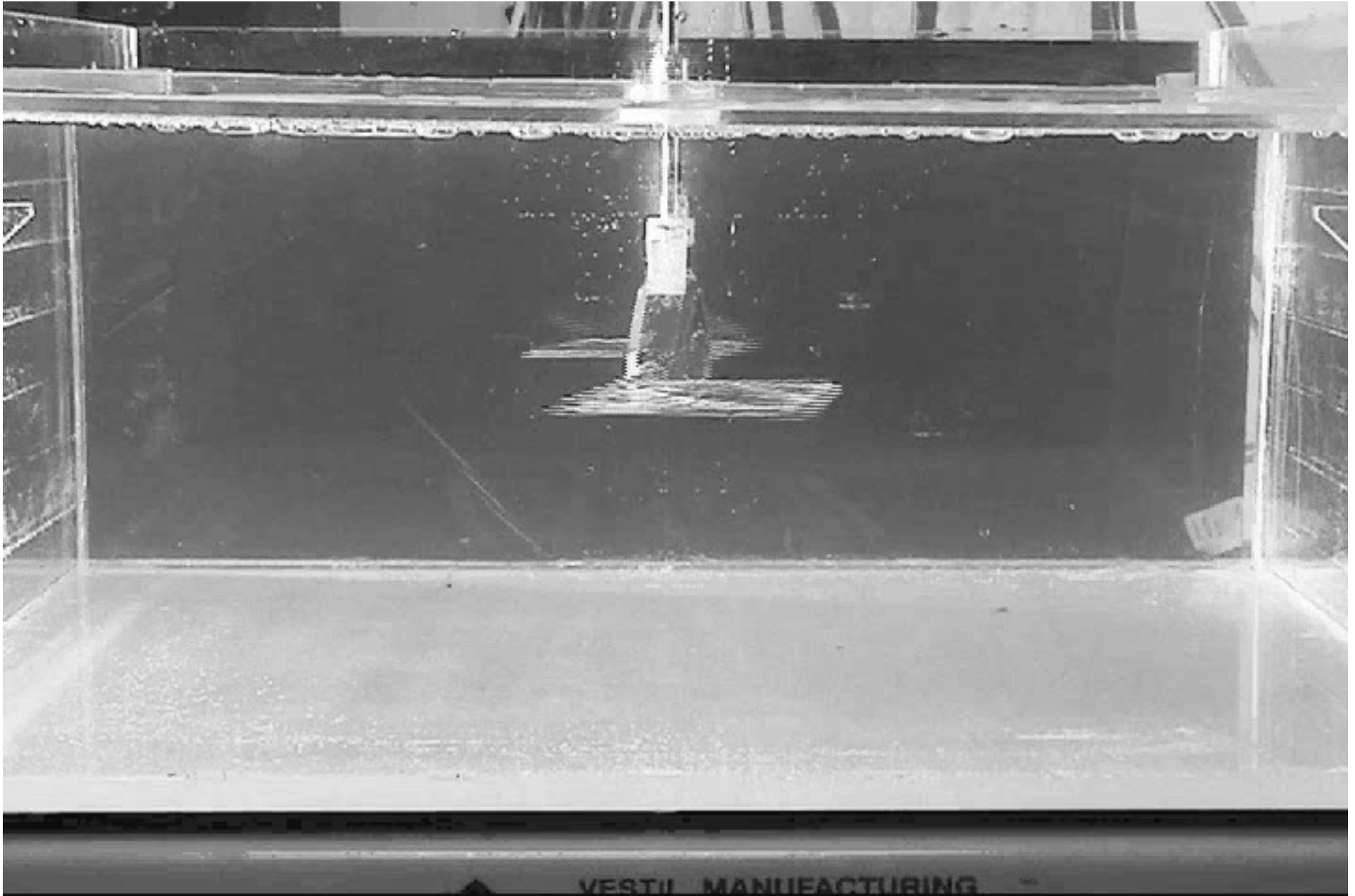
Experimental setup on passive pitching and free flight

S. Spagnolie, L. Moret, J. Zhang, and M. Shelley
Physics of Fluids, 2010



- $0 < \text{driving frequency } f < 5 \text{ Hz}$
- $4 \text{ cm} < \text{chord } C < 8 \text{ cm}$
- $1.6 \text{ cm} < \text{peak to peak amplitude } a < 5.5 \text{ cm}$
- $0.04 \text{ Nm} < \text{torsional spring constant } k < 0.15 \text{ Nm}$
- Gear box guarantees the equal pitching angle of the two wings.





Only the heaving motion in the vertical direction is prescribed, the pitching and the consequent unidirectional flight are passive responses of the fluid-structure interaction.

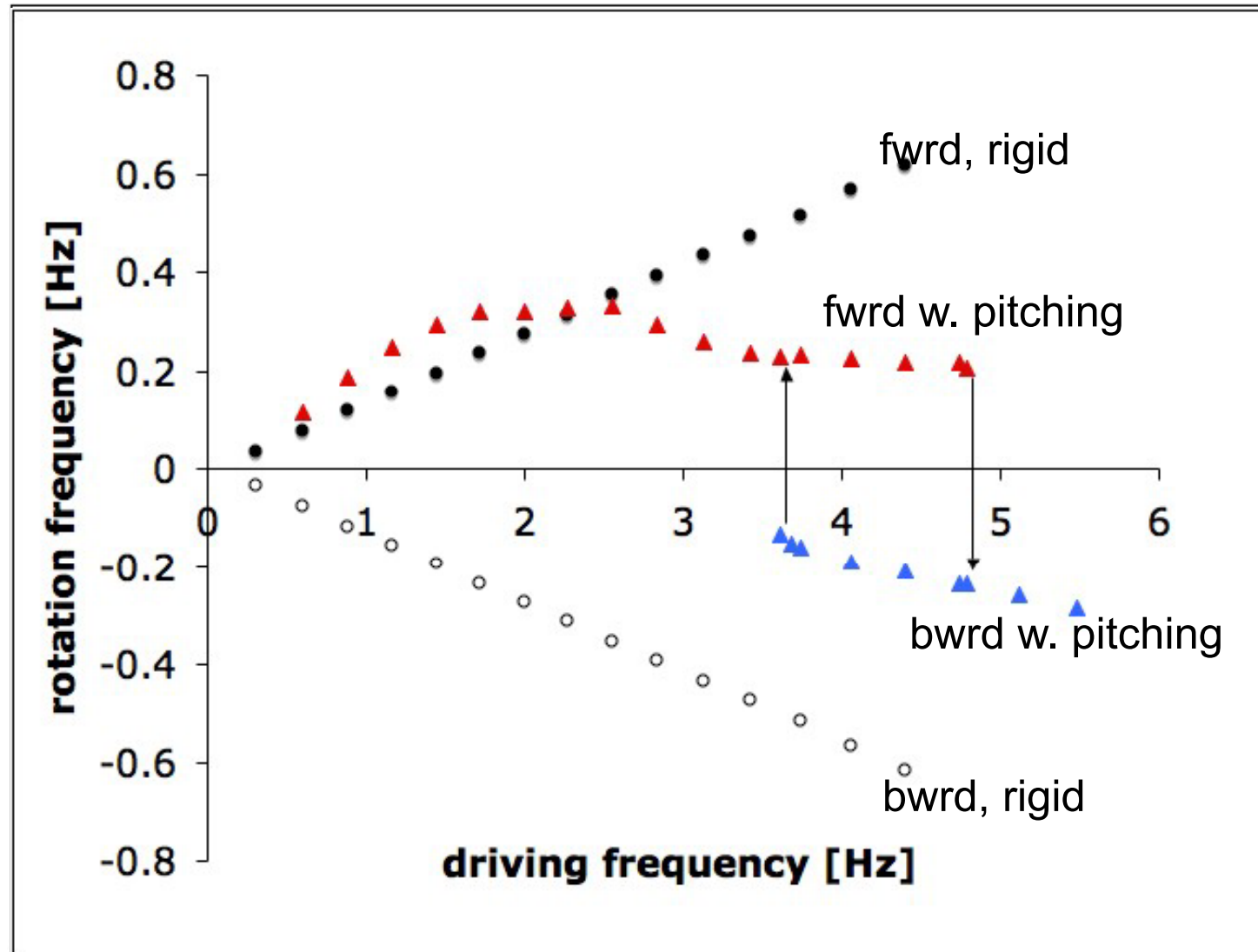
The main effects of passive pitching in free flight

$$\text{Re} = \frac{afc}{v} \sim 10^{4-5}$$

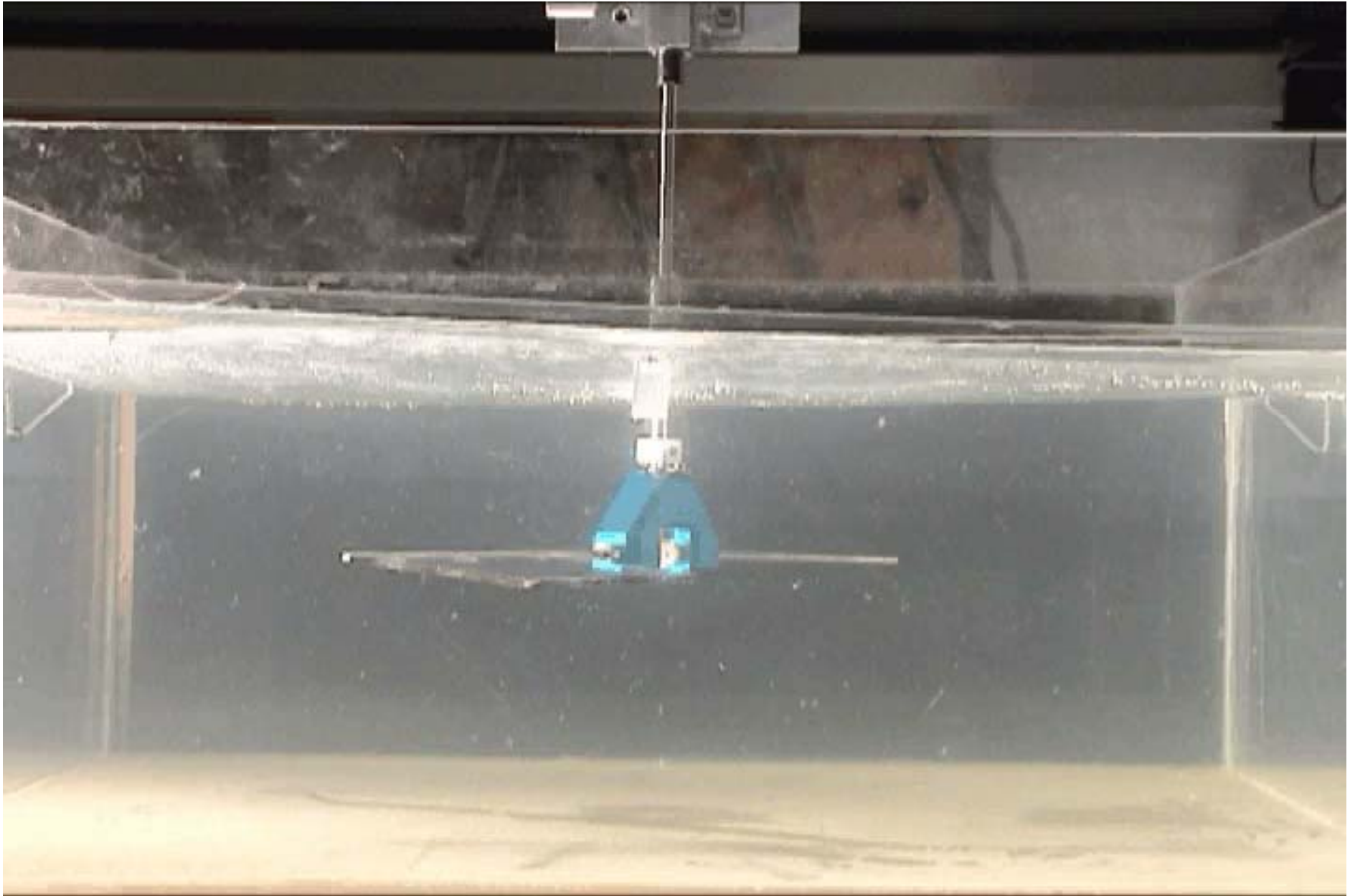
- Flapping amplitude: 2.7cm
- Wing chord: 8cm

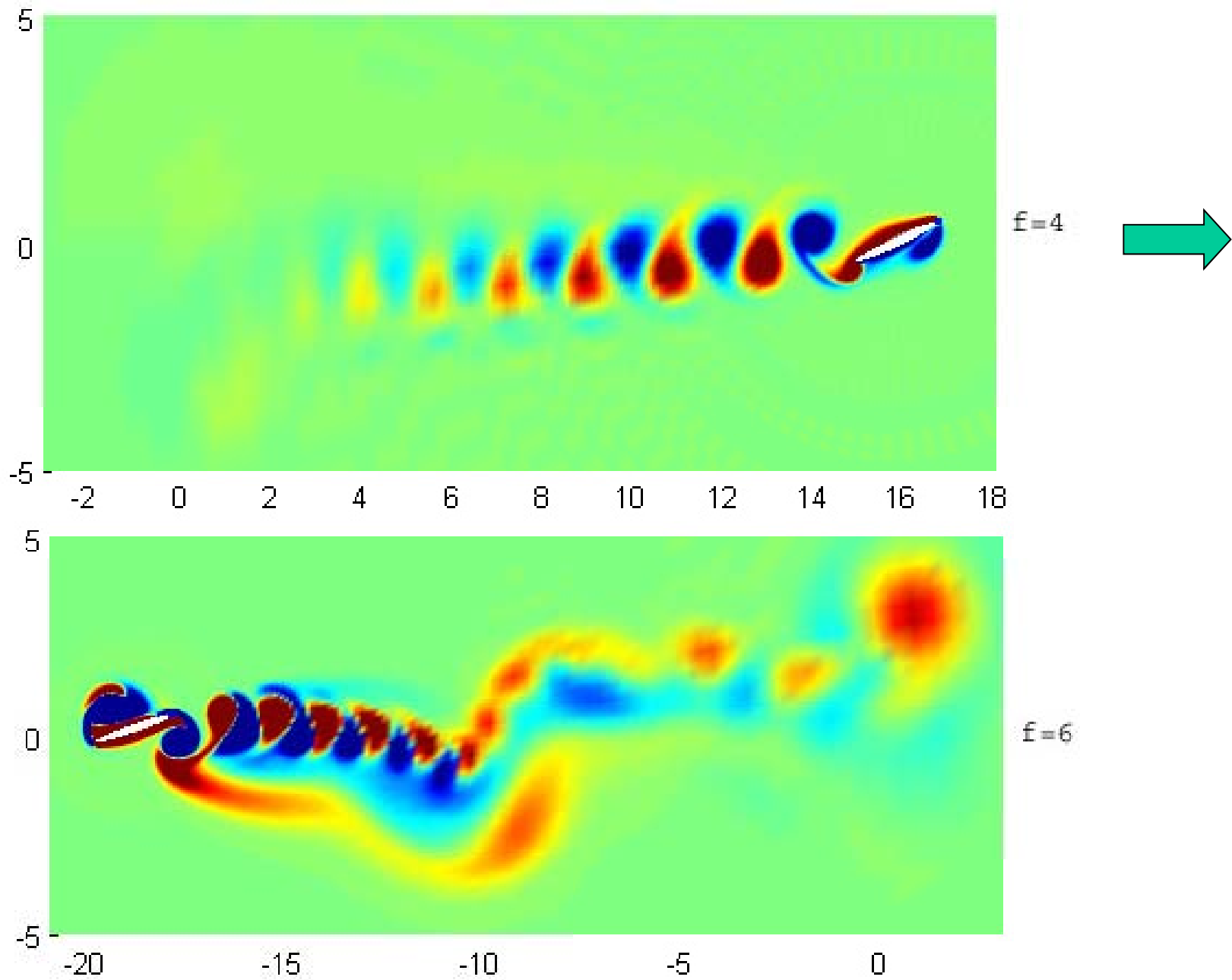
- Backward free flight is forbidden for low driving frequencies.
- Passive pitching can increase the speed for a given heaving motion.

- Flexibility introduces forward/backward transitions.
- Forward free flight is forbidden above a threshold.



backward flapping flight:





Spagnolie, Moret, Shelley and Zhang, *Physics of Fluids*, 2010

Thanks.

Let's talk.