



# USPT Problem 4

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Hydraulic jump white hole is when a steady stream of water from a tap hits the sink, the water spreads in a circular disc bounded by a region where the water height is greater than its surroundings, as seen in the Figure. This so-called hydraulic jump is analogous to a white hole, the time-reversed version of a black hole, in the sense that surface waves cannot enter the disc against the flow, whilst there is a natural outward flow. **Explain the physics behind the hydraulic jump, and how its properties can be matched to those of a white hole. Perform an experiment in order to verify the correspondence. Is it possible to make a hydraulic jump with liquids other than water? When does the white hole analogy break down?**

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# Theory for hydraulic jump - why the jump occur

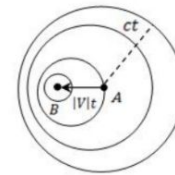
- The jump occurs because the fast flow of water rapidly slows down as it spreads, and it starts to pile up on top of itself
- So the height increases and jump occurs



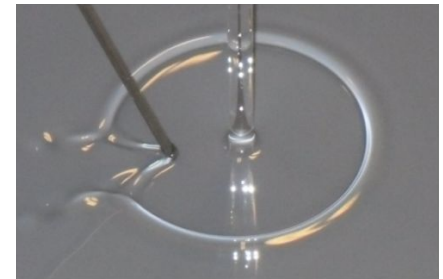
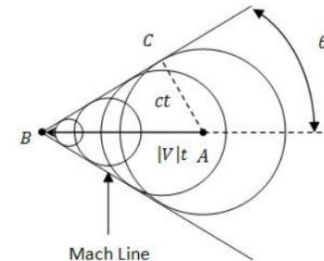
# Theory for hydraulic jump - Supercritical and Subcritical Area

- Supercritical area - circular hydraulic jump
- Subcritical area - outer area with high water layer height
- Deceleration as water travel across supercritical area and across subcritical area
- Supercritical: radial fluid velocity  $>$  propagation speed of surface wave
  - For this reason, ripples only propagate downstream
- Subcritical: radial fluid velocity  $<$  propagation speed of surface wave
  - Ripples can propagate in all directions
- Analogy to shockwave
  - Triangular shape
  - Transition from supercritical to subcritical
- The transition characterized as a jump

Subsonic  $|v| < c$

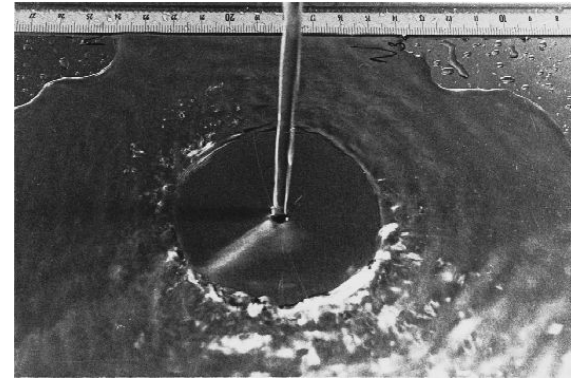


Supersonic  $|v| > c$



# Analogy to White Hole

- Previous physics properties prove that circular hydraulic jump constitute a two-dimensional hydrodynamic white hole
- Any surface waves (ripples) in the subcritical area are trapped outside the circular jump
- Similar to how black hole would trap light, white hole will prevent light from entering the horizon.
- Water only flows outward from the center - white hole will only emit mass from inside to outside and emitting away from the center.





# Analogy Theory - Mass and Velocity

- White hole is a time-reversed version of black hole
- Black hole property:
  - Increase in mass would increase the radius of event horizon of black hole
  - Mass that are falling into the black hole are experiencing a higher velocity
- Matching a white hole:
  - Increase in mass would increase the radius of event horizon of white hole
    - Increase in volume flow rate increases the radius of hydraulic jump
  - Mass that are emitted are experiencing a higher velocity
    - Increase in radial fluid velocity will increase the radius of hydraulic jump



# Analogy Theory - Rotation

- Property for black hole:
  - spinning ones are with a smaller event horizon - spinning white hole will have a smaller event horizon
- Incorporate spinning in hydraulic jump
  - When the surface the water strikes on is rotating, what will happen to the radius of hydraulic jump?

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# Volume flow rate vs. Radius experimental setup

- Funnel with different radius (length of the narrow bottom varies by 2cm)
- Measuring the height and let bottom of the funnel be on the same level, so keeping  $d$  the same
- Keep the tap on by the same amount, so water velocity from the tap will be the same





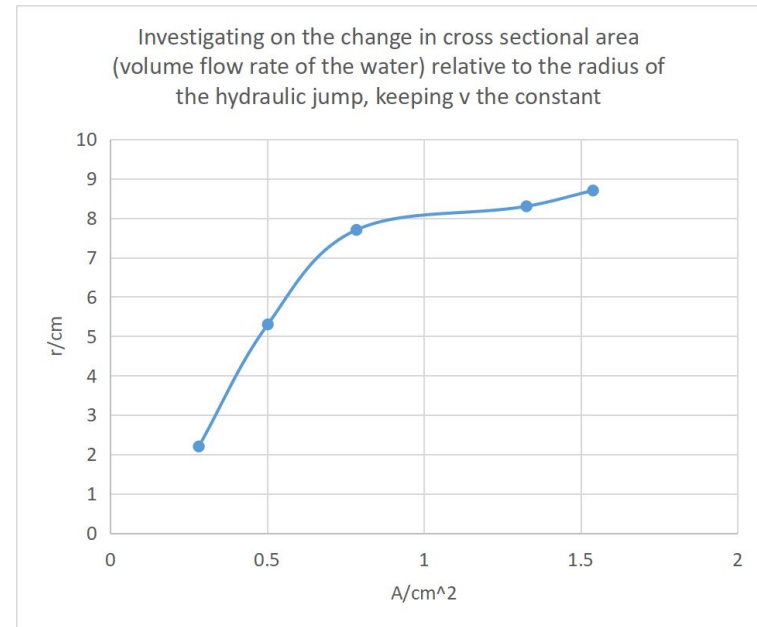


## Volume flow rate ( $q$ )

- $q = Av$  where  $A$  is cross sectional area,  $v$  is flow velocity
- Keeping  $v$  the constant by keeping the flow from the tap constant
- $A$  is dependent variable

# Volume flow rate vs. Radius experimental data

$A/\text{cm}^2$	$r/\text{cm}$
0.2827	2.2
0.5027	5.3
0.7854	7.7
1.3273	8.3
1.5394	8.7



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# Velocity vs. Radius Experimental Setup

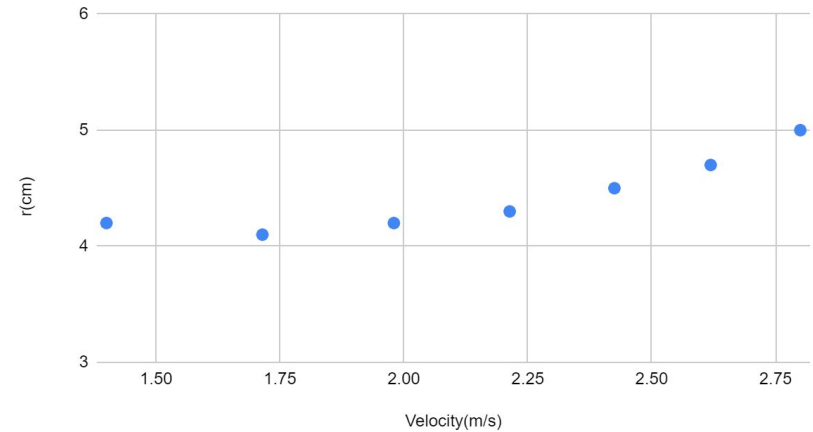
- Regular home sink
- Multiple rulers
- Small stream of water
  - The initial velocity of water stream is negligible as shown on the right picture, there are almost no horizontal velocity as water is coming out



# Velocity vs. Radius Experiment Data

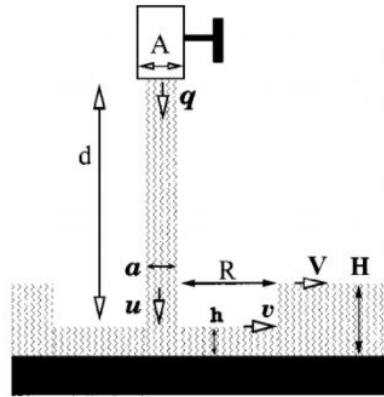
Height(cm)	Velocity(m/s)	r(cm)
10	1.40	4.2
15	1.71	4.1
20	1.98	4.2
25	2.21	4.3
30	2.42	4.5
35	2.62	4.7
40	2.80	5

r(cm) vs. Velocity(m/s)



## Equation from Research Paper

- As  $d$  increase,  $R$  increase
- As  $q$  increase,  $R$  increase



$$R = \frac{4q^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi^2 g d}{8q^2} + \frac{1}{A^4}}}{\pi^2 g H^2}.$$

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# Future Experiment Consideration

- Black hole and white hole all have self-rotation
- Possible experiment is to have a fast rotating flat plate
  - Mimic rotating white hole
  - Observe whether rotation has an effect, increasing or decreasing the radius of hydraulic jump
- Home-made experiment failed
  - Used cake making stand, but angular velocity was too small to observe a change in the radius of hydraulic jump
  - Also it was not constant angular velocity, since it was rotated by hand, and will be slowed by friction

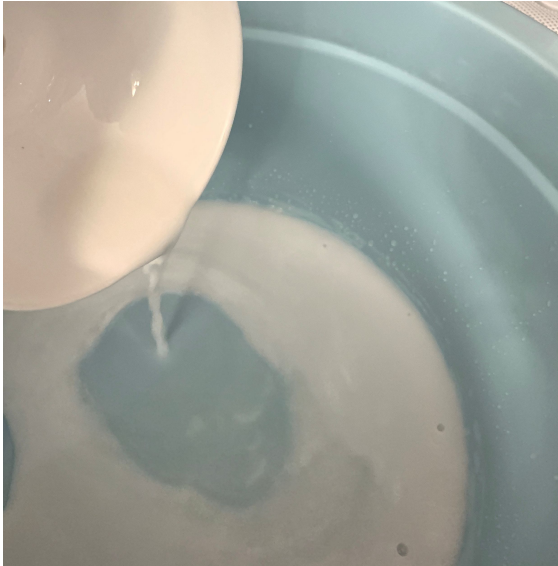
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## Hydraulic jump with other liquids - oil



# Hydraulic jump with other liquids - non-Newtonian fluid

- Corn starch







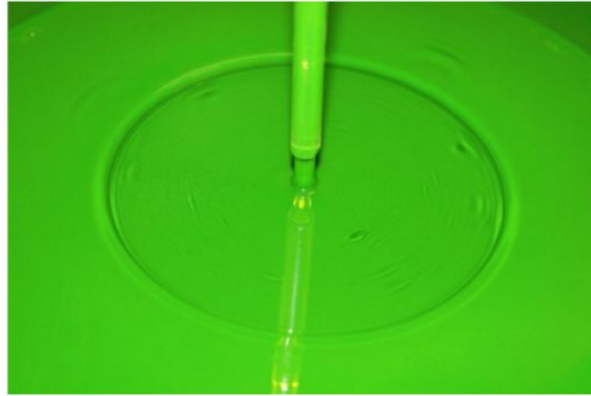
# Analogy Breakdown - Viscosity

- When viscosity increases, hydraulic jump starts to break down
  - For hydraulic jump to occur, inner region: radial fluid velocity > propagation speed of surface wave
  - Viscosity is large, surface velocity will be small
    - Radial fluid velocity will not be bigger than propagation speed of surface wave
    - For hydraulic jump to occur, there needs to be a transition from **radial fluid velocity > propagation speed of surface wave** to **radial fluid velocity < propagation speed of surface wave**
- The hydraulic jump no longer exist - the analogy breakdown

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## Analogy Breakdown - Concentrating Stream

When decreasing the water-jet radius (increased in momentum), hydraulic jump may become unstable, thus breaking the circular white hole pattern





# Citation

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