## Particle Image Velocimetry for Fluid Dynamics Measurements



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# **Presentation**

- A bit of history
- What is PIV?
- How to perform PIV measurements?
- Which PIV system and for What?
- How to post-process the Data?

# **A Little Bit fo History**

- Origines: Flow visualizations
- 70's: Laser Speckle Velocimetry
- 80's: LSV,PTV, PIV,
- LASER development
- CCD cameras development
- Computers development



Ludwig Prandtl operating his water channel in 1904

- First scientific paper on PIV (Adrian 1984 in Appl Opt)
- First commercial PIV systems 1988 (TSI Inc.)

# What is PIV?

### **Flow visualization**



Particle tracking velocimetry (PTV)



Particle image velocimetry (PIV)





Particle soeckle velocimetry (PIV)

# Very Basic Idea Behind Optical flow measurements



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# Very Basic Idea Behind Optical flow measurements





## **Laser Sheet**





Thin laser sheet Thick laser sheet out of plane movement decrease in S/N

## **Laser Sheet**

- A large amount of light (from 20 mJ to 400 mJ) must be available in a short time (~ 5ns).
- Inter-pulse ( $\Delta t$ ) timing may vary from less than 1µs to many ms depending upon the velocity of the flow.
- The repetition rate of a pulsed laser is typically 10-30Hz
  - → adequate only for velocities < 1 m/s</p>

## **Laser Sheet**

### Which Laser and for what?

- Double pulsed laser ( $\Delta t$ : 1-150  $\mu s$  ), 10 Hz, adequate for high-speed airflow applications.
- Dual head system ( $\Delta t$ : 100 ns-1s ), over 50 Hz, adequate for time resolved PIV.
- Two color Laser for two-color PIV, adequate for two phase flow measurement.

# **Laser Sheet: Safety**



### The laser used are usually in Class 4

High power devices; hazardous to the eyes (especially from reflected beam) and skin; can be also a fire hazard

- Keep all reflective materials away from the beam.
- Do not place your hand or any other body part into the laser beam.
- Wear a safety glasses (same wavelength as the laser beam).
- Work back to the laser sheet.
- Put a light to indicate that the laser is on.

Which particle size to choose?: the size dilemma !!!

### Light diffusion by a particle: Mie's Theory

Applied for  $d_p >> \lambda_{light}$ 

A part of the light is scattered at 90°:

 $\frac{CCD \ captured \ light \ intensity}{Laser \ light \ intensity} = 10^{-5}$ 

Light diffusion ~ 1/r<sup>2</sup>: minimize the distance camera-laser sheet

A <u>large</u> particle scatters more light than a small particle.

 $\frac{side \ intesity(90^{\circ})}{forward \ intesity} = 10^{-3}$ 



Light scattering by a 10µm glass particle in water (from Raffel 1998)

Which particle size to choose?: the size dilemma !!!

For spherical particles, in a viscous flow at low Reynolds number (Stokes flow)

Velocity shift due to difference in density

$$U = d_p^2 \frac{\left(\rho_p - \rho\right)}{18 \ \mu} \ a$$

For gravitational velocity :  $a \equiv g$ 

Which particle size to choose?: the size dilemma !!!

Step response of a particle

$$\tau_s = d_p^2 \frac{\rho_p}{18 \ \mu}$$

Measures the tendency of a particle to attain velocity equilibrium with fluid

# A <u>small</u> particle follows better the flow than a large particle.

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Which particle size to choose?: the size dilemma !!!

	Follow the flow	Light scattering	Step response
Small particles	Good	Bad	Good
Large particles	Rad	hoop	Bad
	Dau	good	Dau

Which particle size to choose?: the size dilemma !!!

### **For liquids**

- Polystyrene (10-100  $\mu$ m); aluminum (2-7  $\mu$ m); glass spheres (10-100  $\mu$ m).

# Usually particle diameter of 10-20 $\mu m$ is a good compromise.

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### For gas

- Polystyrene (0.5-10  $\mu$ m); aluminum (2-7  $\mu$ m); magnesium (2-5  $\mu$ m); different oils (0.5-10  $\mu$ m).

- Due to the great difference between the index of refraction of gas and particles: small particles in gas scatter enough light to be detected

Usually particle diameter of 1-5  $\mu\text{m}$  is a good compromise.

Which particles concentration?

- The probability of finding a particle within the region of interest: 1>> Prob >0.

Usually a concentration of 15-20 particles/mm<sup>3</sup>

Higher particle concentrations are either not achievable or not desirable fluid dynamically (to avoid a two phase flow effect)

# **CCD Camera**

Particle image acquisition

Single frame/ multi-exposure Multi-frame/ multi-exposure





Ambiguity in the direction of the flow

The spatial resolution of CCD arrays is at least two order of magnitude lower than photographic film.

# **CCD Camera**

#### Particle image acquisition



# CCD Camera: Frame-stradelling technique

# Particle image acquisition **Transfert time:** - pixel to frame storage area: 500 ns - frame storage area to PC: 33 ms pixel 1000x1000 frame storage

area

# **CCD Camera**

Particle image acquisition

What do you want from you camera?

- Record sequential images in separate frames.
- High spatial resolution.
- Capture multiple frames at high speed.
- High sensitivity.

Each image is divided into a grid of small sections known as interrogation areas (8 to 64 pixels).

The mean displacement (D) within each interrogation area is calculated and divided by the inter-pulse  $(\Delta t)$ 



→ Local mean velocity

#### How to calculate de particles displacement: Auto-correlation



- The displacement D must be enough important to satellite peaks to be discernable from the central peak.
- Directional ambiguity.

How to calculate de particles displacement: Cross-correlation



- No directional ambiguity.
- Even very small displacements can be measured (~d<sub>p</sub>).

**FFT based cross-correlation** 

Cross correlation fonction:  $2 \times N^2 \times N^2$  operations

**Cross correlation using FFT:** 

 $R(i, j) = f(i, j) \otimes g(i, j) \Leftrightarrow FFT(R(i, j)) = F(u, v).G^*(u, v)$ 

### Number of operations: N<sup>2</sup>log<sub>2</sub>N

 $\Rightarrow$  In practical applications FFT is used for cross-correlation.

**FFT based cross-correlation** 

### Limitations of FFT based cross-correlation

Direct cross correlation can be defined for a finite domain, whereas FFT based cross-correlation is well defined for infinite domain.

The two sub-samples have to be of square and equal size (N) and a power of 2 ( $8 \times 8$ ;  $16 \times 16$ ;  $32 \times 32$ ;  $64 \times 64$ ).

 $\Rightarrow$  A loss in spatial resolution when N has to be selected larger than required.

#### **Summary of PIV measurement**



**Optimization of the cross-correlation** 

- The displacement of the particles during inter-pulse duration must be less that 1/4 of the interrogation area size: "the 1/4 law"

- To increase spatial resolution an interrogation cell overlap of 50% can be used.
- Number of particle per interrogation area: 10-15.
- Standard and deformed window shifting.
- Using PTV and PIV.

**Optimization of the cross-correlation** 

**Sub-pixel interpolation** 

Standard cross-correlation: 1 pixel

Standard cross-correlation and sub-pixel interpolation: 0.1 pixel



### **3D stereoscopic PIV**



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(a) Original image



### **3D stereoscopic PIV**





### **Dual Plan PIV**



### **Endoscopic PIV**





tumble flow in IC engine

### Spurious vectors !!!!!

- Low particles density
- inhomogeneous particles seeding
- Particles within a vortex
- low S/N
- 3D movement of the particles

Why the spurious vectors have to be eliminated ?

Induce errors in velocity derivation.



#### How to eliminate spurious vectors?

- Fix a velocity threshold (ex. Max velocity 10m/s)
- Mean local filter (may be biased by the surrounding spurious vectors)
- Temporal median filter
- Median local filter
- Application of the continuity equation
- Calculation of the circulation



How to replace spurious vectors?

- Mean or median of the surrounding velocities.

- A weighted average of the surrounding velocities.

- An interpolation filtering (the spurious vectors are considered as high frequency signals).





**Estimation of differential quantities** 

Finite difference method: forward, backward, <u>center</u>, Richardson, ...

Determination of the vorticity from the circulation (the 8 points circulation method)

**Turbulence micro scales (only with high speed PIV)** 

**Pressure field** 

### **Micro PIV**

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Polychromatic  $\mu$ PIV can be used for two phase flow.

**Micro PIV** 

The same old story: the particles

- Particles size: from nanometers to several microns.

- The particles should be large enough to dampen the effects of Brownian motion:

Brownian motion results from the interaction between the particles. This prevents the particles to follow the flow.

The relative error in the measured particle displacement is:

