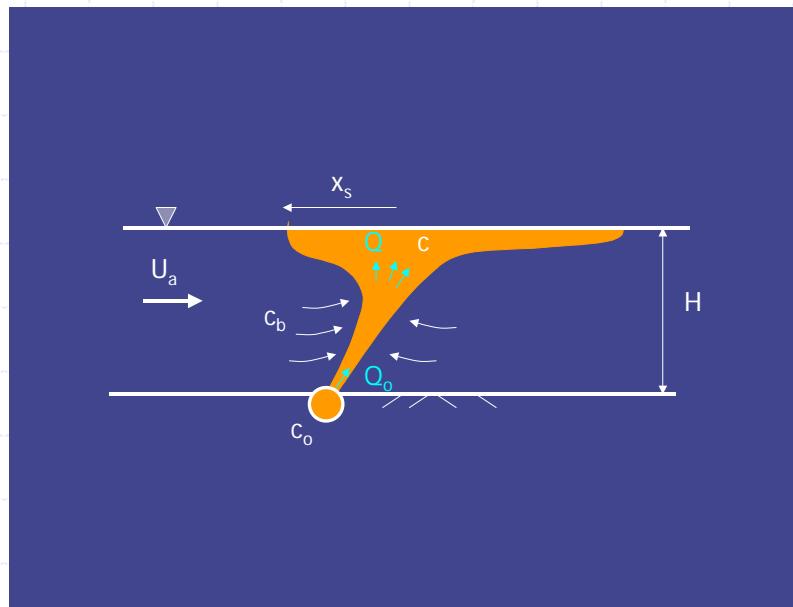


# 6 Initial Mixing

- ◆ Introduction
- ◆ Integral Analysis
- ◆ Dimensional Analysis
- ◆ Multi-port Diffusers
- ◆ Gravitational spreading, intrusion & mixing
- ◆ Multi-port Diffusers in Shallow Water
- ◆ Buoyant Surface Jets
- ◆ Combined Near and Far Field Analysis

# Submerged Discharge



- ◆ Mixing by turbulent entrainment rather than exchange
- ◆ Dilution
  - $S = Q/Q_o$
  - $S = (C_o - C_b) / (C - C_b)$
- ◆ Mixing zones
  - Hydrodynamic
  - Regulatory

# Dilution a solution to pollution?

- ❖ Biodegradable contaminant?
- ❖ High ambient concentration of contaminant?
- ❖ Toxics?

# Pure Jet

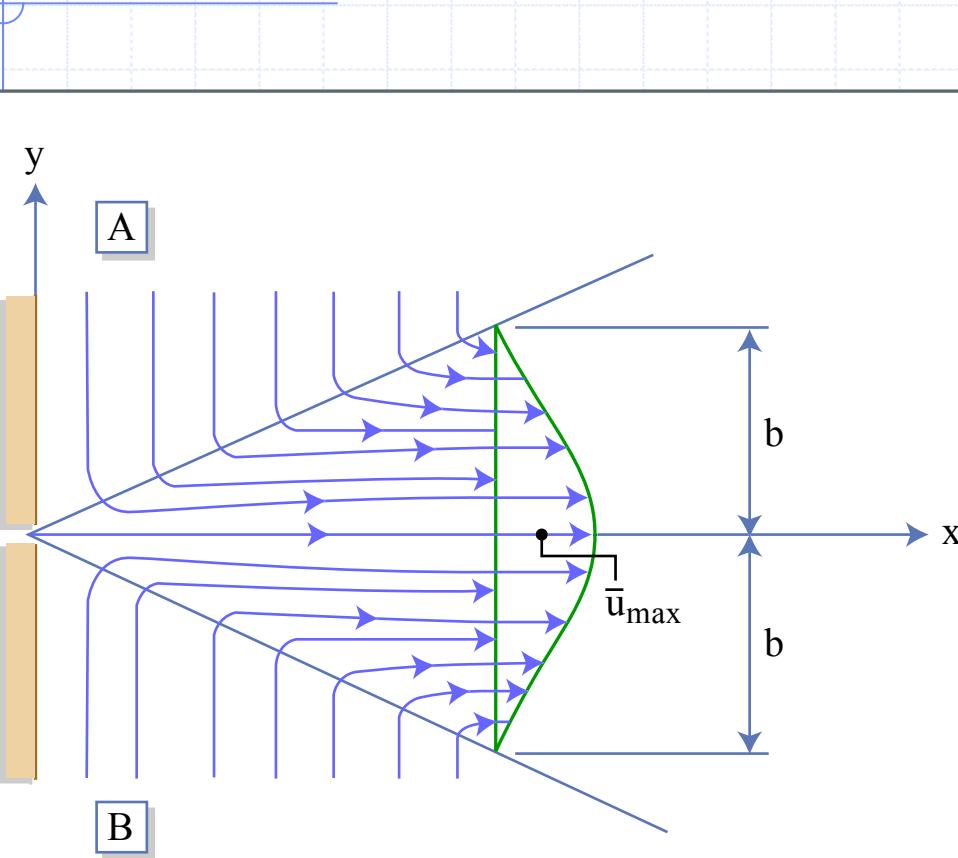


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Daily and Harleman, (1966)

- ◆ Momentum driven
- ◆ Bell-shaped velocity distribution (in jet)
- ◆ Irrotational flow (entrainment field)
- ◆ Properties
  - $b \sim x$
  - $u \sim x^{-1}$
  - $Q \sim ub^2 \sim x$

# Buoyant Jet

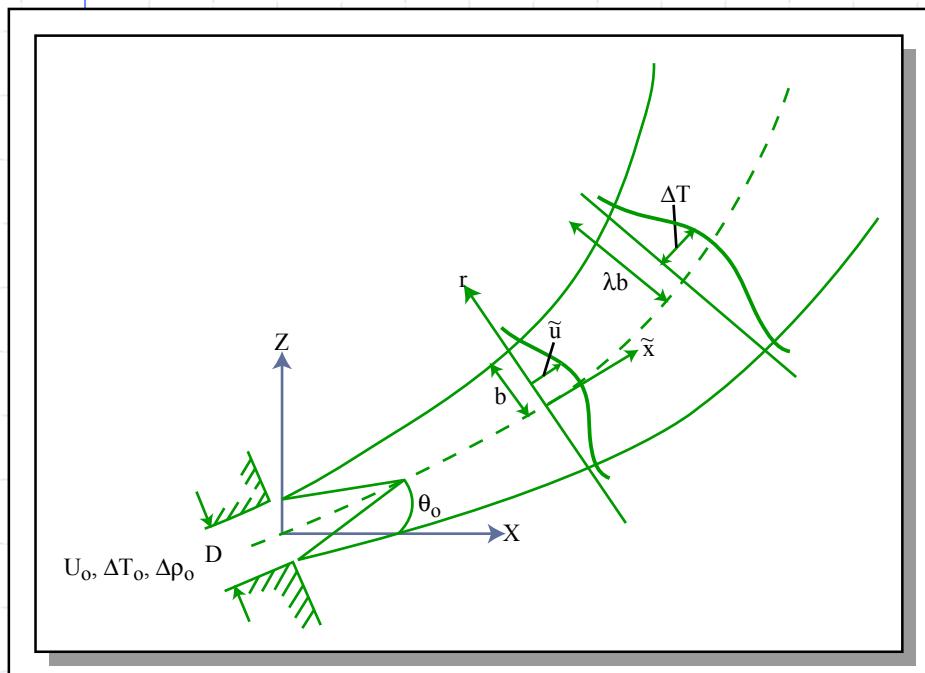


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- ◆ Buoyancy driven
  - Temperature
  - Dissolved/Suspended solids
- ◆ Bell-shaped velocity & scalar distributions
- ◆ Linear spread
- ◆ Finite initial size (ZOFE)

# Equation of State (Gill, 1982)

$$\rho = \rho(T) + \Delta\rho(S) + \Delta\rho(TSS)$$

$$\rho(T) = 1000 \left[ 1 - \frac{T + 288.9414}{508929.2(T + 68.12963)} (T - 3.9863)^2 \right]$$

$$\Delta\rho(S) = AS + BS^{3/2} + CS^2$$

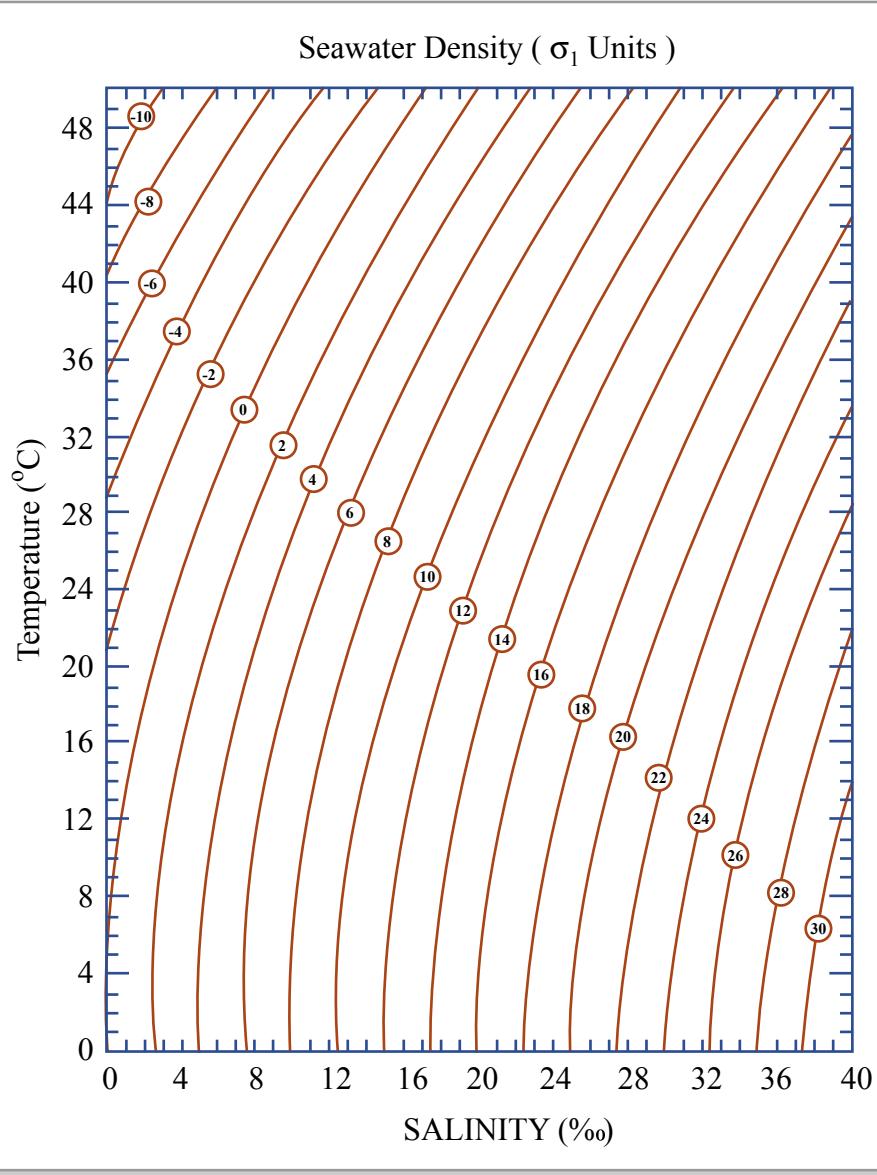
$$A = 0.824493 - 4.0899 \times 10^{-3} T + 7.6438 \times 10^{-5} T^2 - 8.2467 \times 10^{-7} T^3 + 5.3875 \times 10^{-9} T$$

$$B = -5.72466 \times 10^{-3} + 1.0227 \times 10^{-4} T - 1.6546 \times 10^{-6} T^2$$

$$C = 4.8314 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\Delta\rho(TSS) = TSS \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{SG} \right] \times 10^{-3}$$

$\rho$  = kg/m<sup>3</sup>, T in °C, S in PSU (g/kg), TSS in mg/L



Fischer, et al. (1979)

$$\sigma_t = 1000 * (\rho - 1)$$

( $\rho$  in  $\text{g/cm}^3$ )

# Model Types

- ◆ Computational Fluid Dynamics (3-D)
- ◆ Integral Analysis (1-D)
- ◆ Dimensional Analysis (0-D)

# Integral Analysis: Self-Similarity

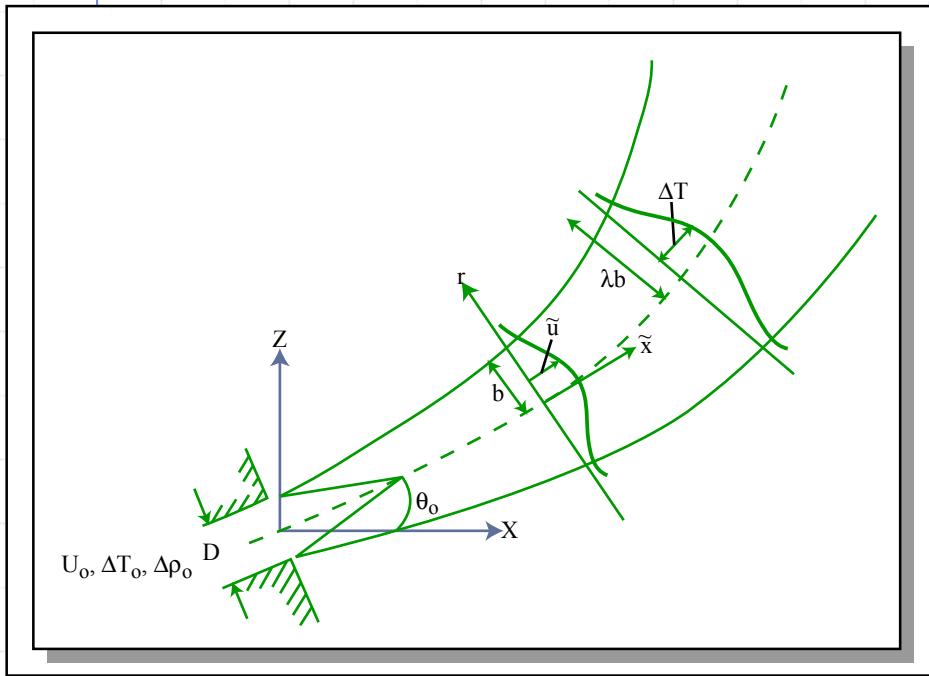


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$$\frac{\tilde{u}}{\tilde{u}_c} = f(r/b)$$

$$\frac{\Delta c}{\Delta c_c} = \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta T_c} = \frac{\Delta \rho}{\Delta \rho_c} = g(r/b)$$

$$f(r/b) = e^{-r^2/b^2}$$

$$g(r/b) = e^{-r^2/(\lambda b)^2}$$

# Integrated Fluxes

Volume

$$Q \cong \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{u} dA = \int_0^{\infty} \tilde{u}_c f 2\pi r dr = 2\pi I_1 \tilde{u}_c b^2$$

Momentum\*

$$M \cong \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{u}^2 dA = \int_0^{\infty} \tilde{u}_c^2 f^2 2\pi r dr = 2\pi I_2 \tilde{u}_c^2 b^2$$

Mass

$$J \cong \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{u} \Delta c dA = \int_0^{\infty} \tilde{u}_c \Delta c f g 2\pi r dr = 2\pi I_3 \tilde{u}_c \Delta_c b^2$$

Neglects turbulent momentum fluxes

# Conservation Statements

Continuity

$$\frac{dQ}{d\tilde{x}} = 2\pi b |v_e| = 2\pi b \alpha \tilde{u}_c$$

Longitudinal  
Momentum

$$\frac{dM}{d\tilde{x}} = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} \Delta \rho g \sin \theta r dr = 2\pi I_4 \Delta \rho g b^2 \sin \theta$$

Horizontal  
Momentum

$$\frac{d(M \cos \theta)}{d\tilde{x}} = 0$$

Contaminant  
mass

$$\frac{dJ}{d\tilde{x}} = 0$$

Geometry 1

$$\frac{dx}{d\tilde{x}} = \cos \theta$$

Geometry 2

$$\frac{dy}{d\tilde{x}} = \sin \theta$$

# Solution Technique

- ◆ Initial Value Problem
- ◆ 6 equations in 6 unknowns

$$[A] \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{u}_c \\ \Delta\dot{\rho}_c \\ \dot{b} \\ \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{Bmatrix} = [C]$$

# Results

## ◆ Output as function of

Densimetric  
Froude Number

$$F_o = \frac{u_o}{\sqrt{g(\Delta\rho_o/\rho)D_o}}$$

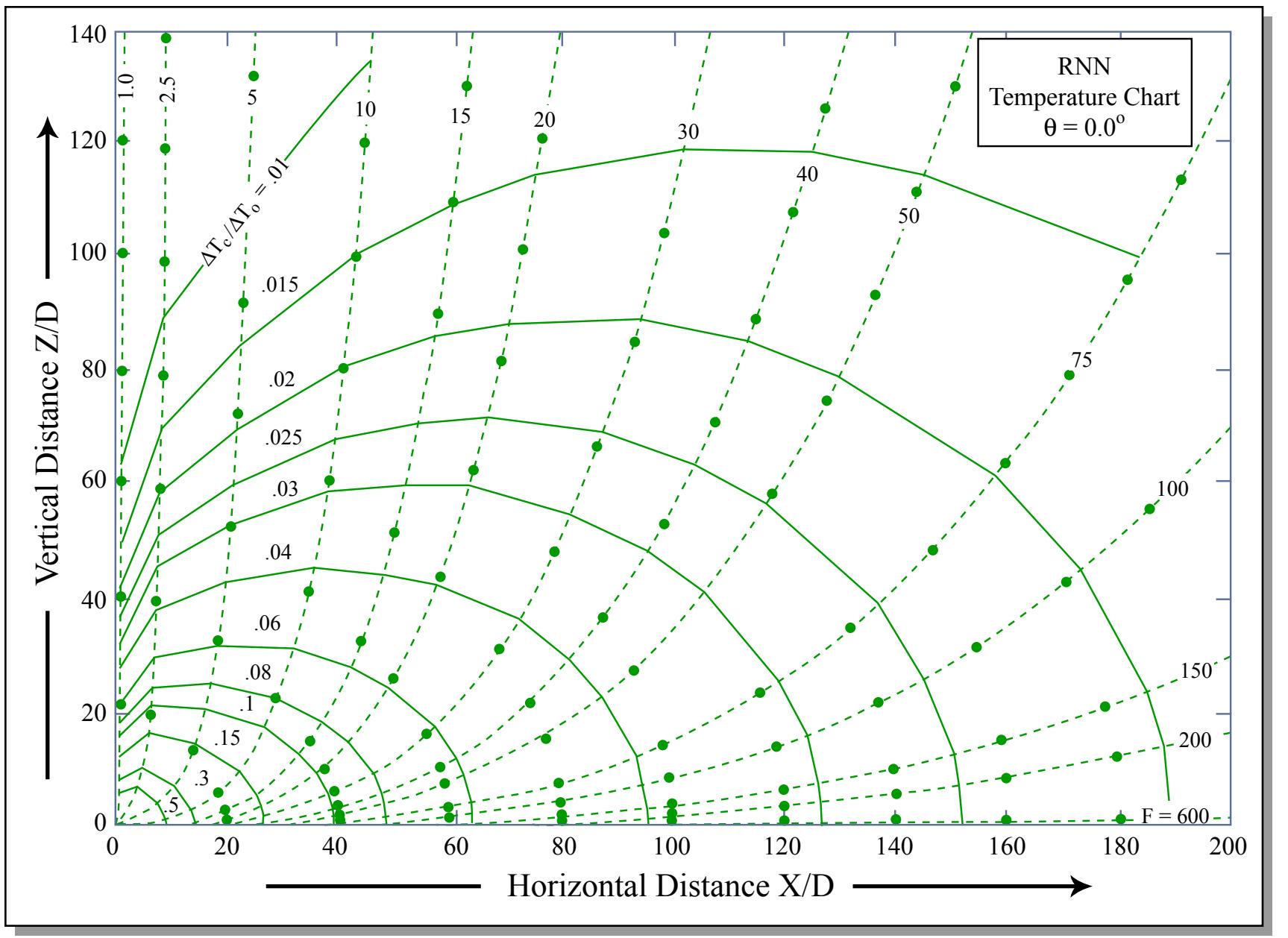
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Distance, Height

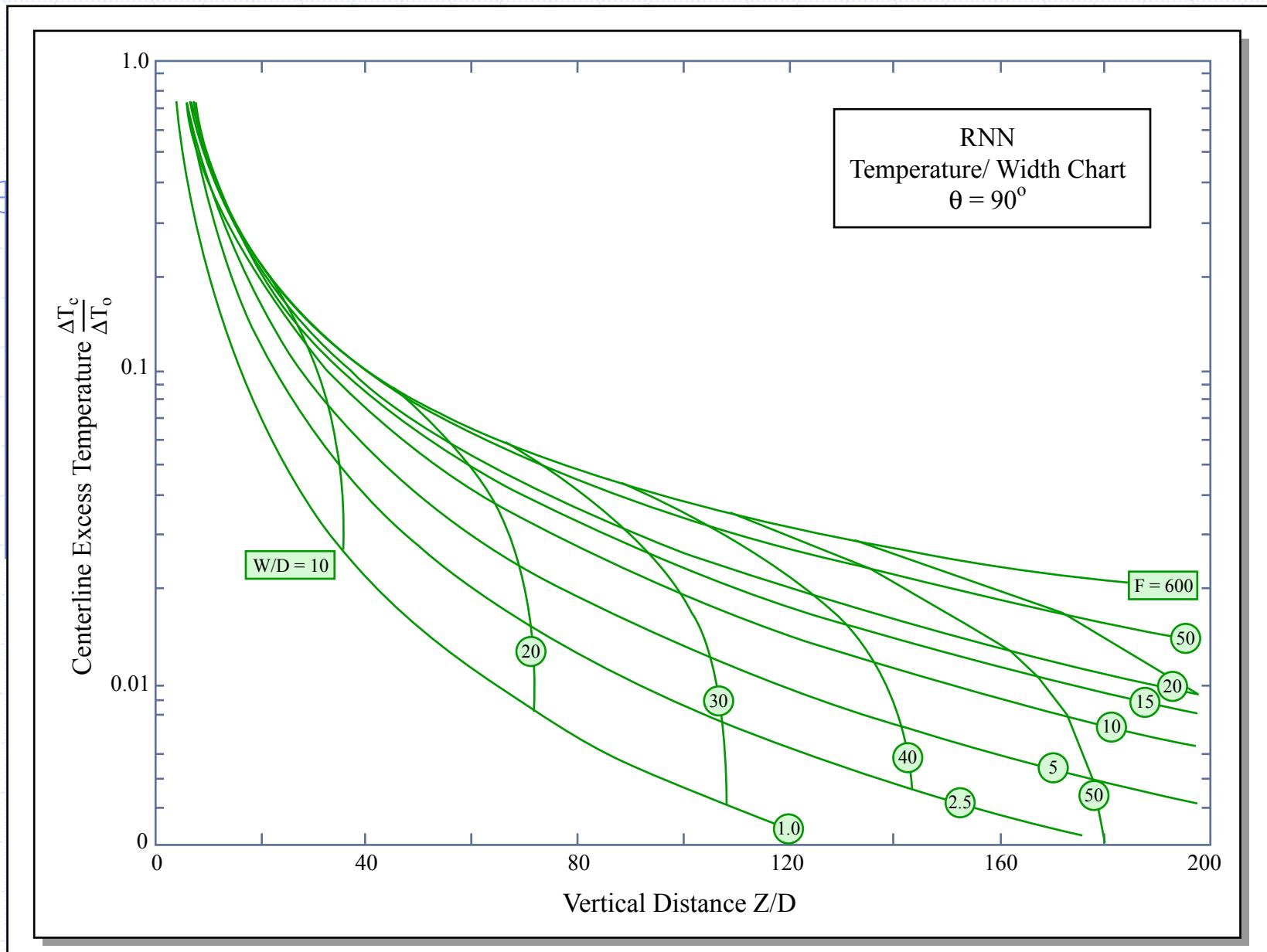
$$x/D_o$$
  
$$z/D_o$$

Limiting Conditions

$F_o = \infty$  Pure jet

$F_o = 1$  Pure plume



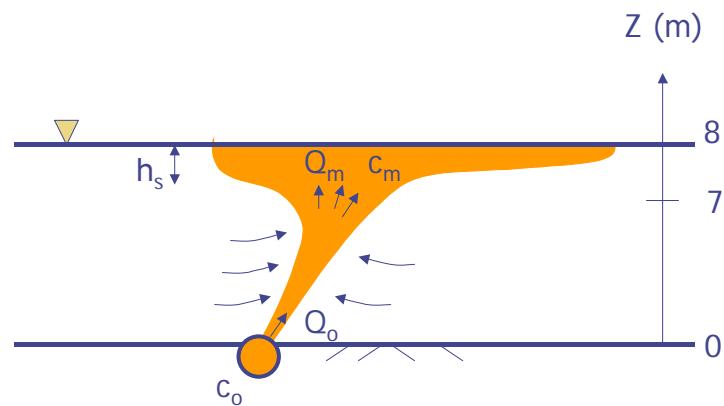


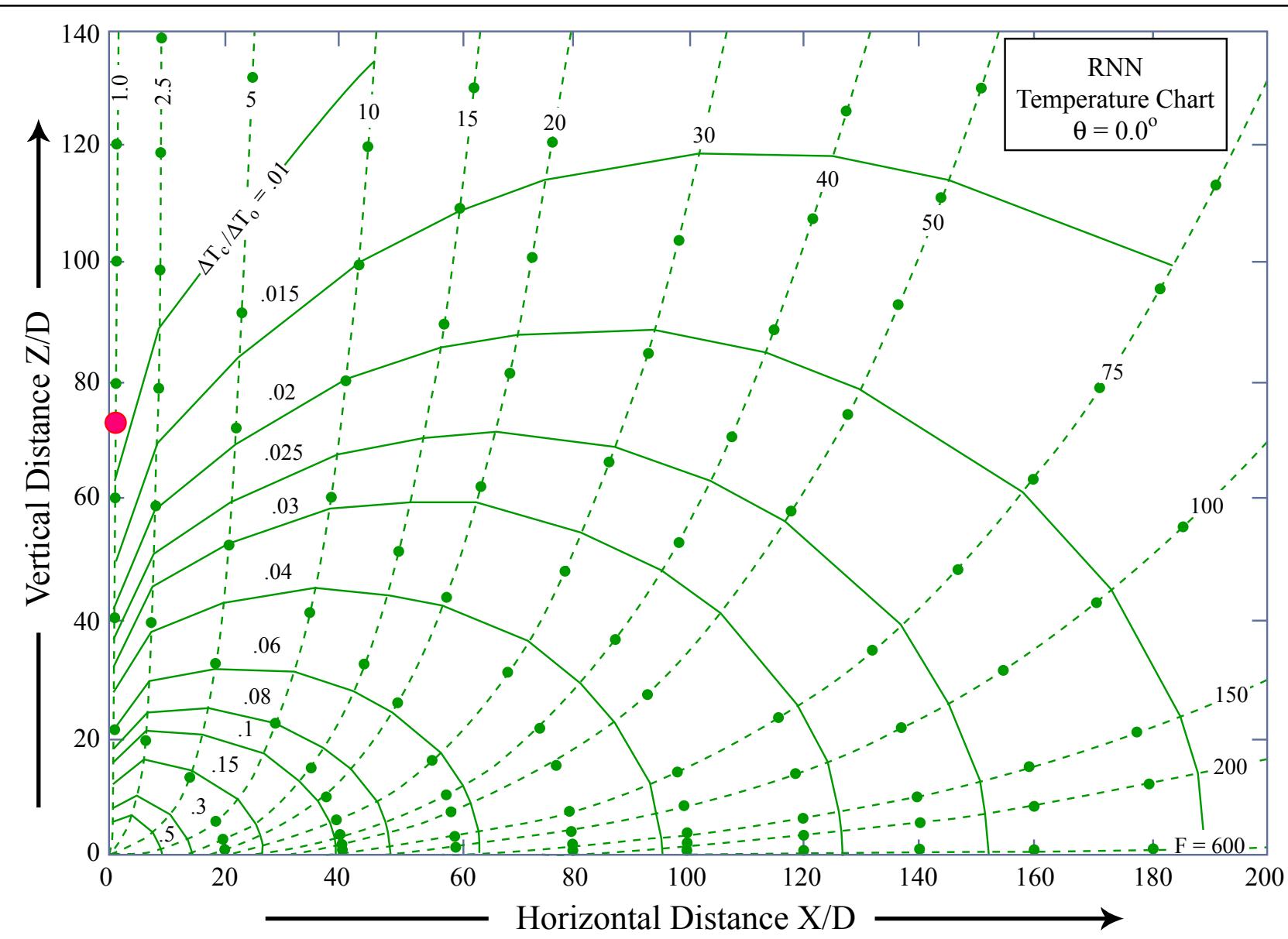
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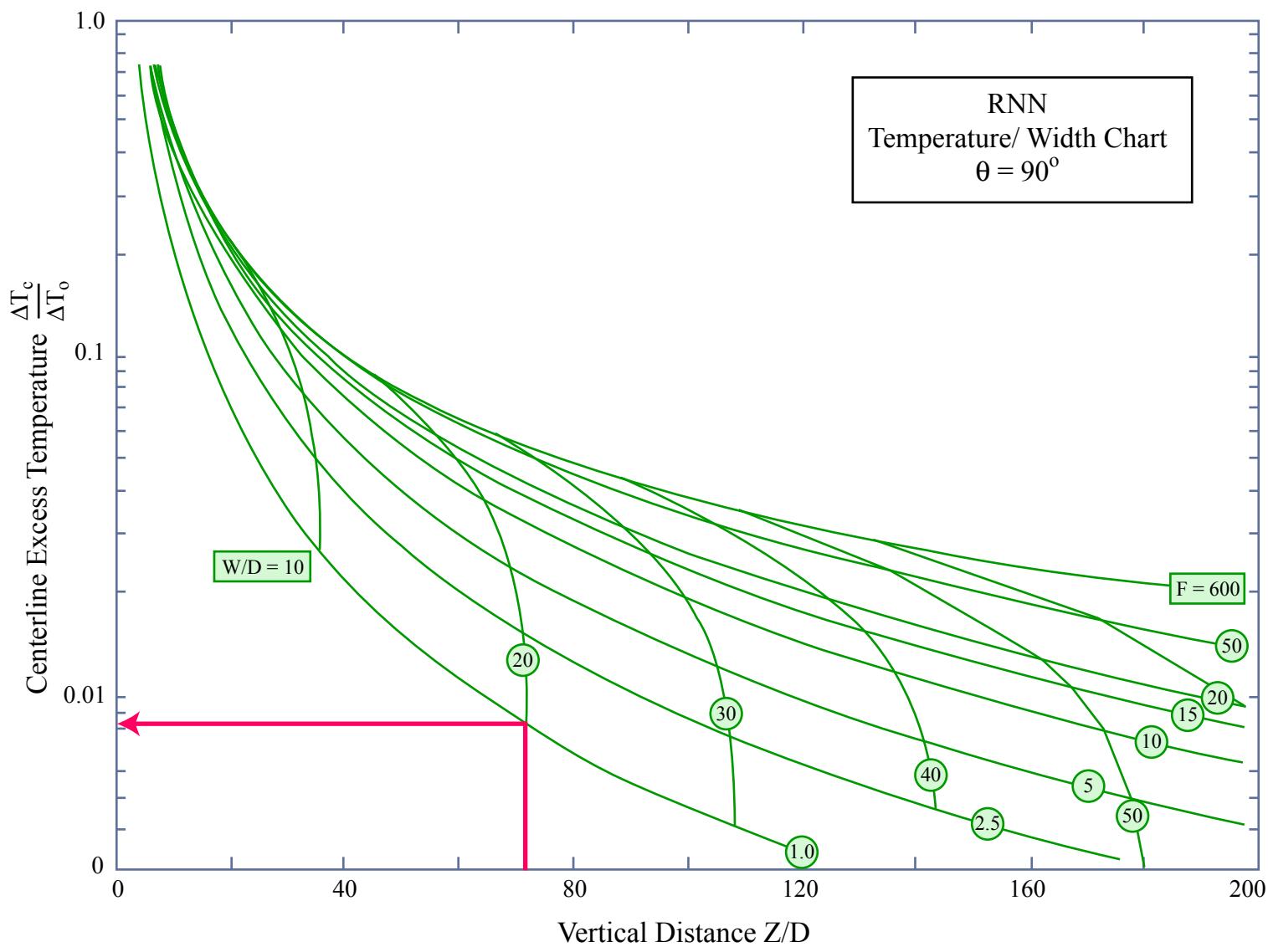
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# Example Calculations (WE 6-1)

- ◆  $Q_0 = 0.00125 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
- ◆  $D_0 = 0.1 \text{ m}$
- ◆  $\Delta\rho_o/\rho = 0.025$
- ◆  $u = Q_0 / (\pi D^2 / 4) = 0.16 \text{ m/s}$
- ◆  $F_o = u_o / (\Delta\rho_o g / \rho D)^{0.5} = 1$
- ◆  $z/D_0 = 70$
- ◆  $c/c_o = 0.008$







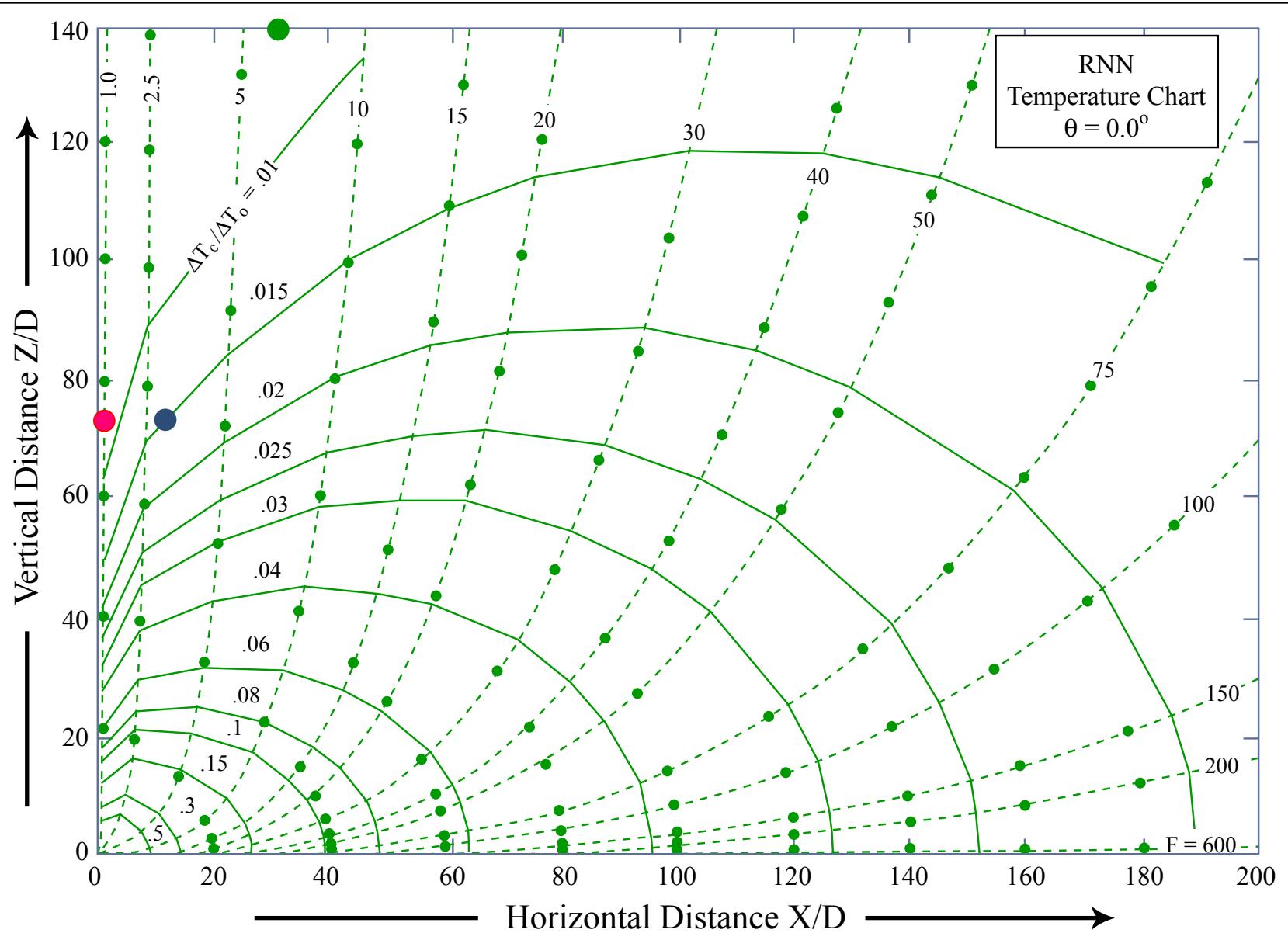
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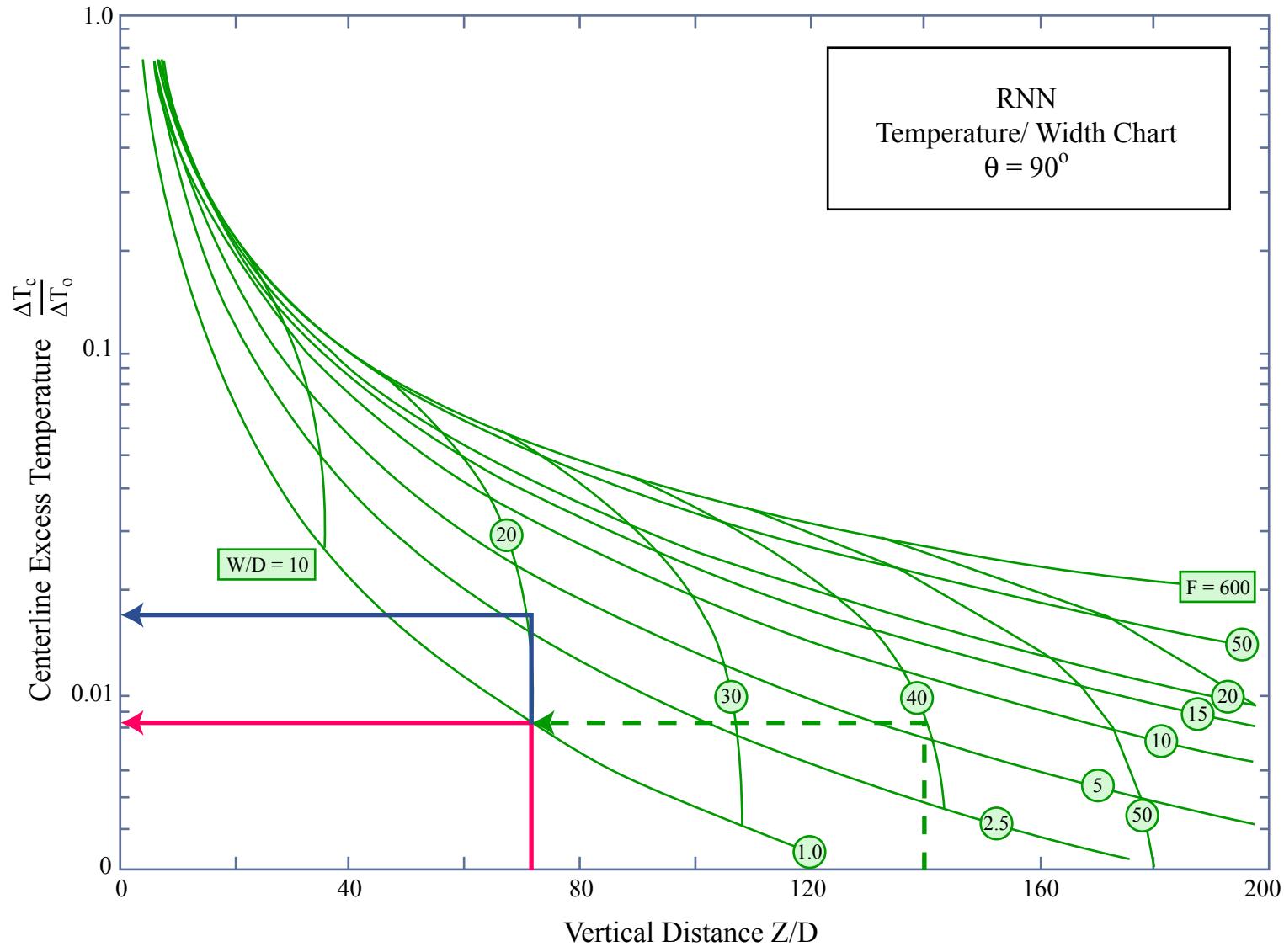
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# Example Calculations (cont'd)

	Base Case	Increased Momentum	Increased Flow
$D_o$	0.1	0.05	0.1
$Q_o$	0.00125	0.00125	0.0025
$u_o$	0.16	0.64	0.032
$\Delta\rho_o/\rho$	0.025	0.025	0.0125
$F_o$	1	5.7	2.8
$z/D_o$	70	140	70
$c/c_o$	0.008	0.008	0.016

In deep water behavior depends mainly on buoyancy—not momentum, flow rate, port size or orientation





Shirazi & Davis, 1974

Figure by MIT OCW.

# Dimensional Analysis

- ◆ Identify important independent and dependent variables
- ◆ Arrange in dimensionally consistent manner
- ◆ Determine coefficients empirically

# Buckingham $\Pi$ Theorem

- ◆ Number of dimensionless parameters equals number of independent plus dependent variables minus number of dimensions used to describe these variables
- ◆ Example:  $D = \frac{1}{2} gt^2$ 
  - 3 variables ( $g$ ,  $t$ ,  $D$ )
  - 2 dimensions (length, time)
  - 1 dimensionless variable ( $D/gt^2$ )
- ◆ “Empirical” coefficient (1/2)

# Axi-symmetric Plume

- ◆ Neglect ambient current, stratification
- ◆ Assume deep water (initial momentum, flow rate, nozzle size, discharge angle less important than buoyancy)
- ◆ Kinematic buoyancy flux
  - $B_o = Q_o g \Delta \rho_o / \rho$     [L<sup>4</sup>T<sup>-3</sup>)

# Axi-symmetric Plume (cont'd)

- ◆  $Q = f(B, z)$
- ◆ 3 variables – 2 dimensions = 1 non-dimensional parameter ( $c_1$ )

$$c_1 = \frac{Q}{B_o^\alpha z^\beta}$$

$$Q = c_1 B_o^\alpha z^\beta$$

# Axi-symmetric Plume (cont'd)

$$Q \sim B_o^\alpha z^\beta$$

$$\frac{L^3}{T} = \frac{L^{4\alpha}}{T^{3\alpha}} L^\beta$$

$$3 = 4\alpha + \beta$$

$$1 = 3\alpha$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 1/3, \beta = 5/3$$

$$S = Q/Q_o$$

$$S_c = \frac{c_1 B_o^{1/3} z^{5/3}}{Q_o}$$

$$c_1 \cong 0.1$$

# Integral vs Dim Anal (WE 6-2)

## ◆ Input variables

- $Q_o = 0.00125 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
- $D_o = 0.1 \text{ m}$
- $z = 7 \text{ m}$
- $\Delta\rho_o/\rho = 0.025$  (salt water-fresh water)

## ◆ Derived variables

- $B_o = Q_o g \Delta\rho_o/\rho = 0.00031 \text{ m}^4/\text{s}^3$
- $F_o = u_o / (g \Delta\rho_o/\rho D_o)^{0.5} = 1$
- $z/D_o = 70$

# Integral vs Dim Anal (cont'd)

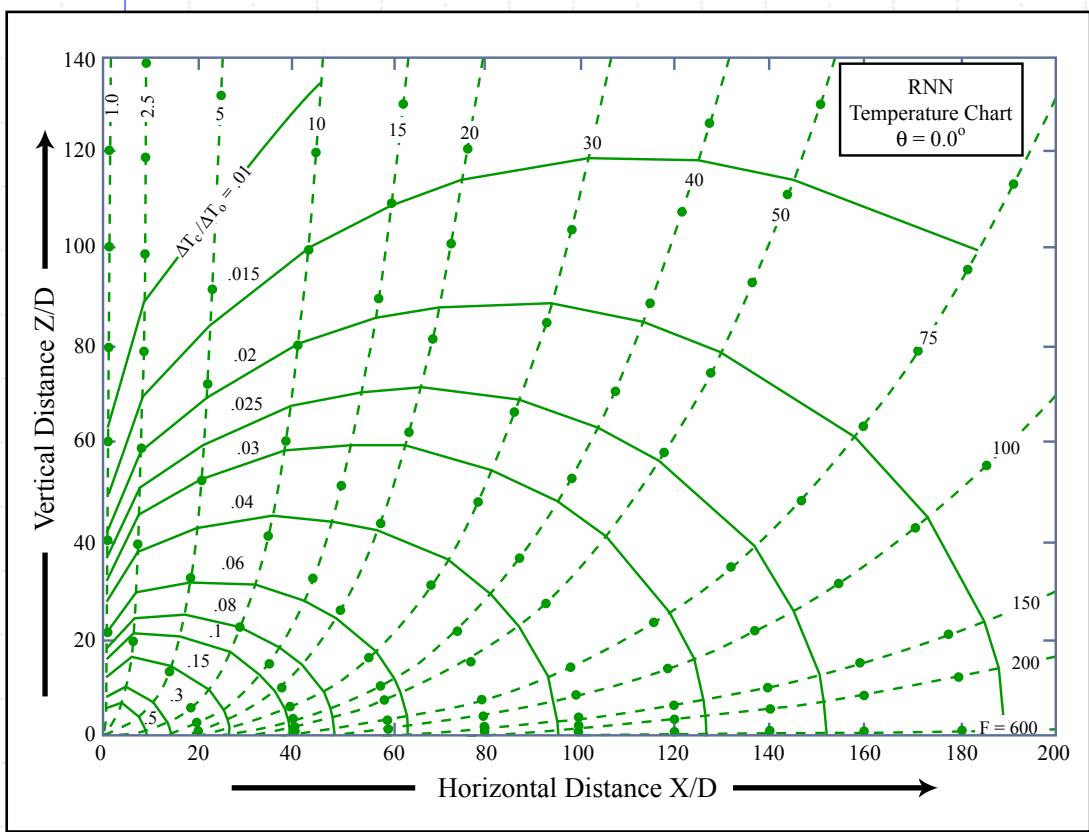
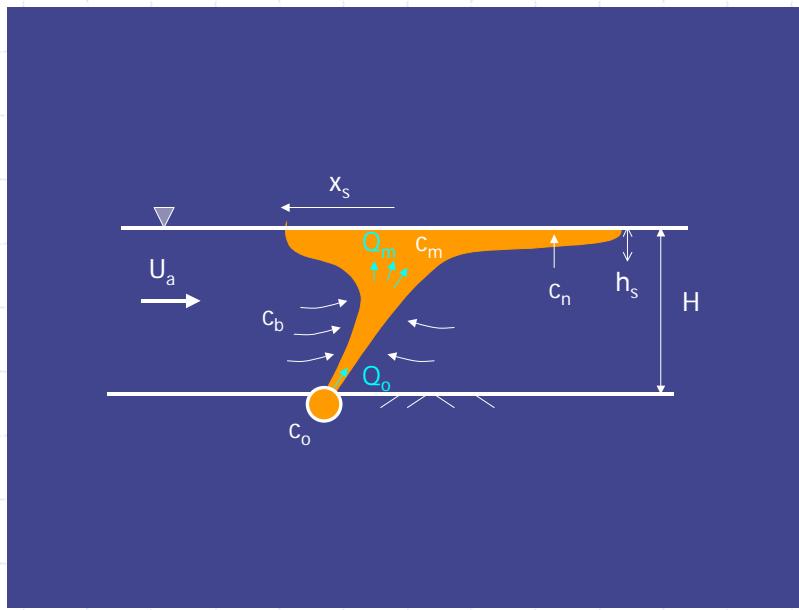


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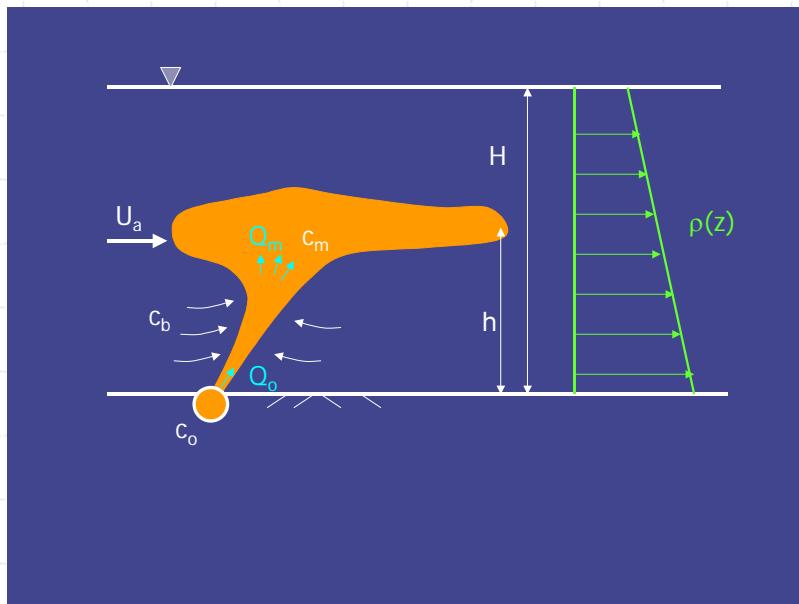
- ◆ Integral Analysis
  - $\Delta c_c / \Delta c_o = 0.008$
  - $S_c = 125$
- ◆ Dimensional Analysis
  - $S_c = 0.1 B_o^{1/3} Z^{5/3} / Q_o = 138$

# Blockage at surface (or trap elevation)



- ◆ Prevents entrainment of ambient water near top of trajectory
- ◆ Mixing & extra entrainment as jet “turns the corner”
- ◆ “Near field” dilution
  - $S_n = 0.26B_o^{1/3}H^{5/3}/Q_o$
  - $X_n/H = 2.8$
- ◆  $h_s/H \sim 0.11$  (horizontal discharge)

# Ambient Stratification



- ◆ Stratification frequency  $N$

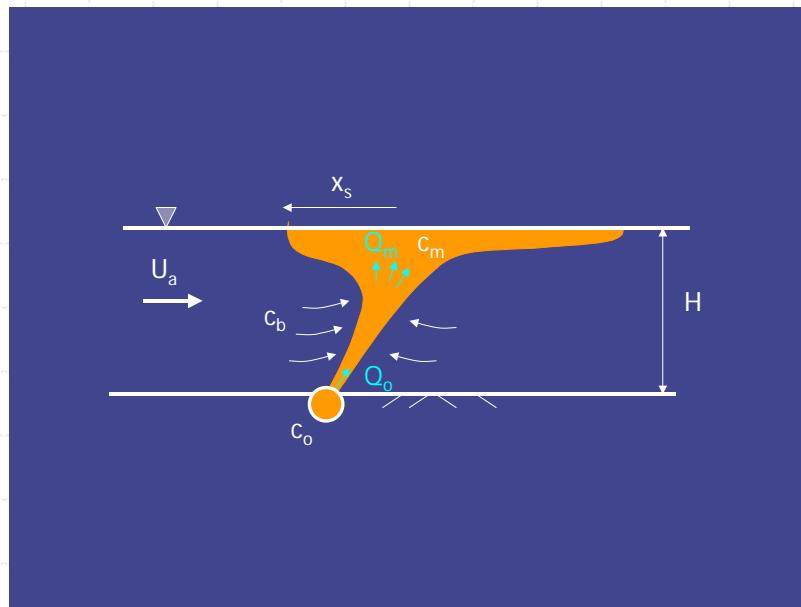
$$N^2 = \left| \frac{g \partial \rho}{\rho \partial z} \right|$$

- ◆ Plume traps at level of neutral buoyancy with reduced dilution

$$h_t = 2.8 B_o^{1/4} / N^{3/4}$$

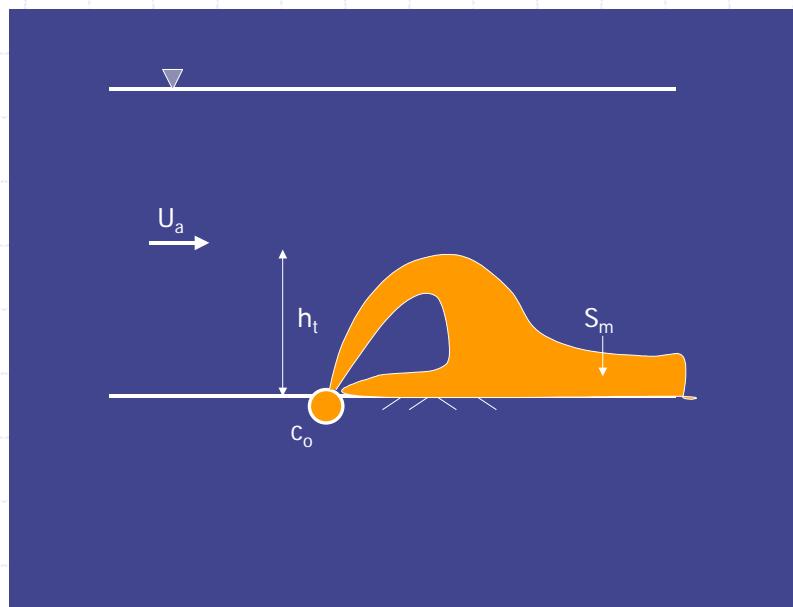
$$S_m = 0.9 B_o^{3/4} / Q_o N^{5/4}$$

# Ambient Current



- ◆ Deflects plume downstream
- ◆ Augments dilution if strong
- ◆  $S_m = 0.32u_aH^2/Q_o$
- ◆  $x_s = 0.3Q_o(g\Delta\rho_o/\rho)/u_a^3$

# Dense plumes



- ◆ Typical applications:
  - Cold water from LNG terminals
  - Brine from desal plants, sol'n mining of salt domes
- ◆  $h_t = 2.3 M_o^{3/4} / B_o^{1/2}$
- ◆  $S_m = 2.8 M_o^{5/4} / Q_o B_o^{1/2}$

# Example: solution mining of salt domes

## ◆ Strategic Petroleum Reserve

- Dates from 1970's
- ~  $700 \times 10^6$  bbl stored in 4 domes in LA & TX
- Salinity gradients in GoM confuse shrimp

## ◆ Also used for

- Salt production
- Compressed gas storage
- Waste isolation

# Multi-phase Plumes

- ◆ Bubble plumes
  - Reservoir destratification
  - Aeration
  - Ice prevention
  - Pollutant containment
- ◆ Droplet plumes
  - Deep oil spills
- ◆ Sediment plumes
  - Dredged mat'l disposal
  - CO<sub>2</sub> ocean storage

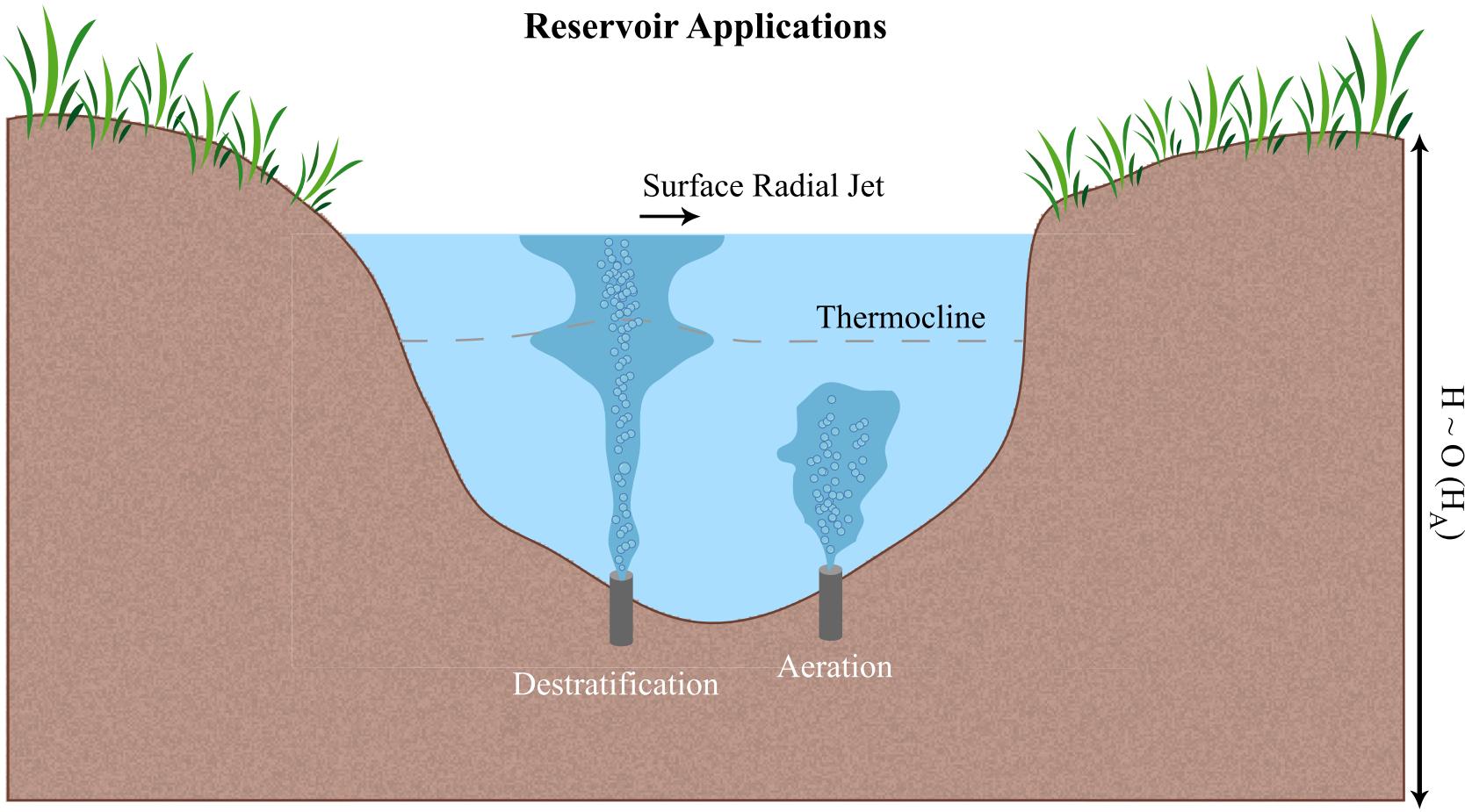


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# Deep Oil-well Blowout

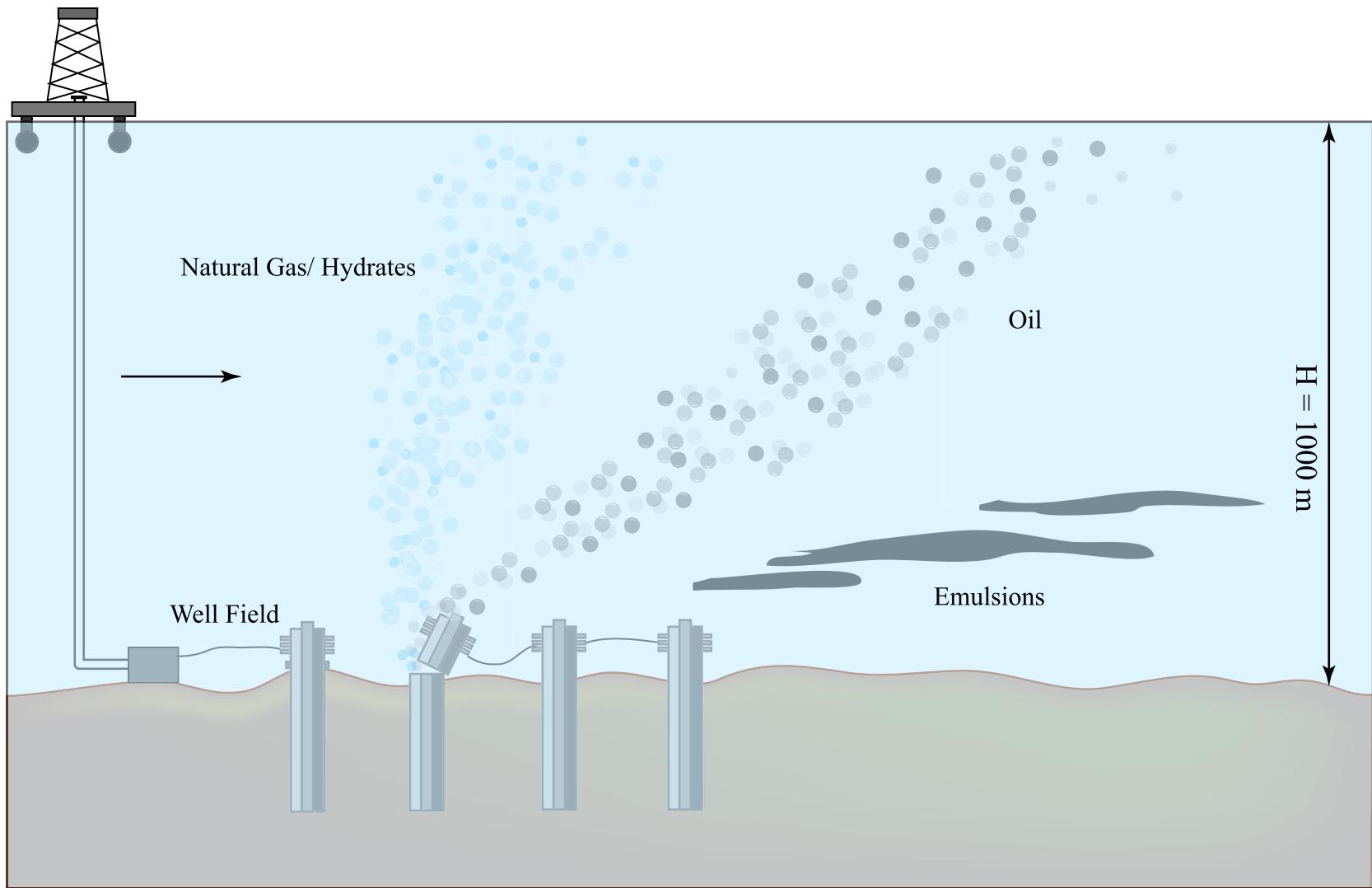
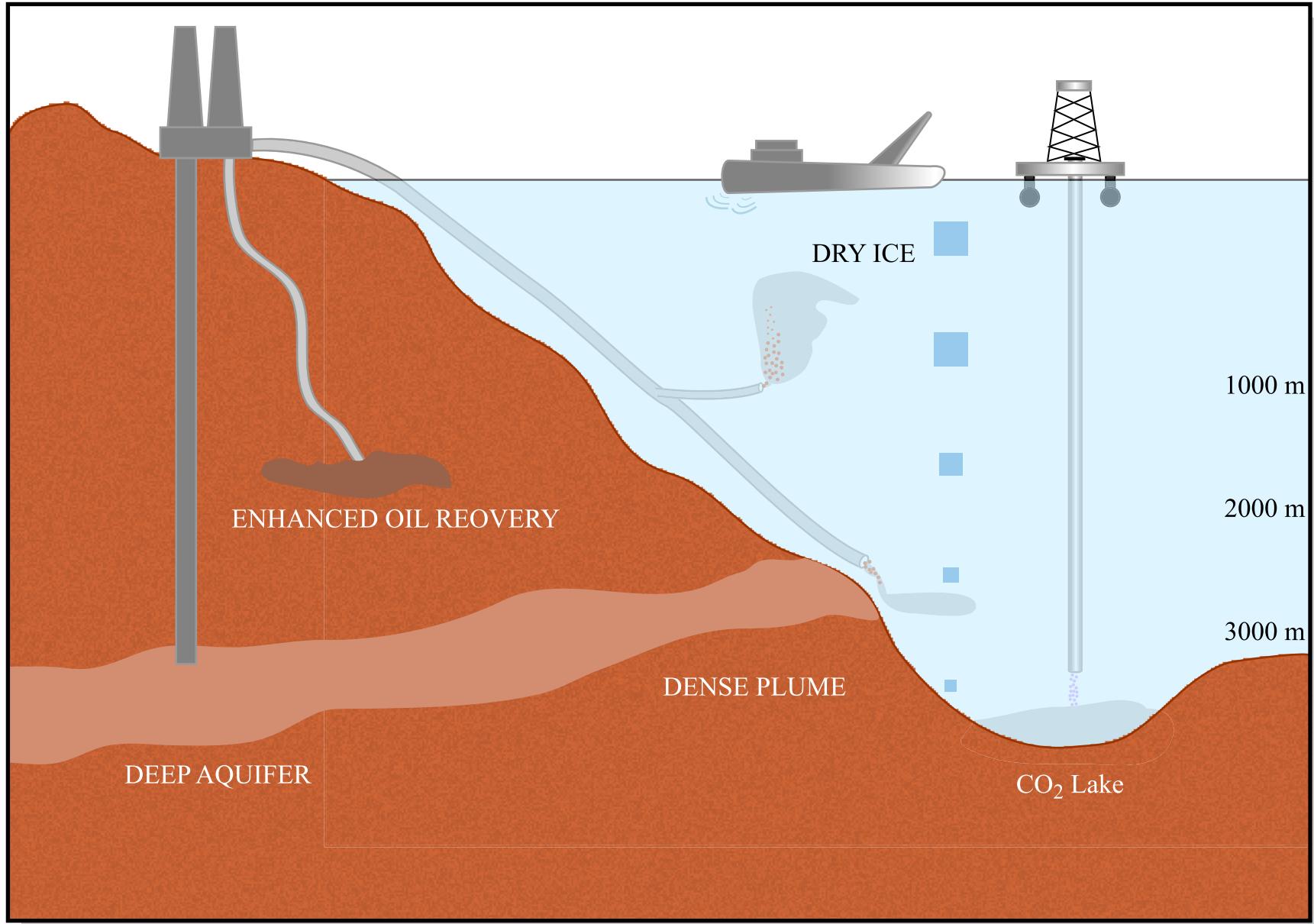
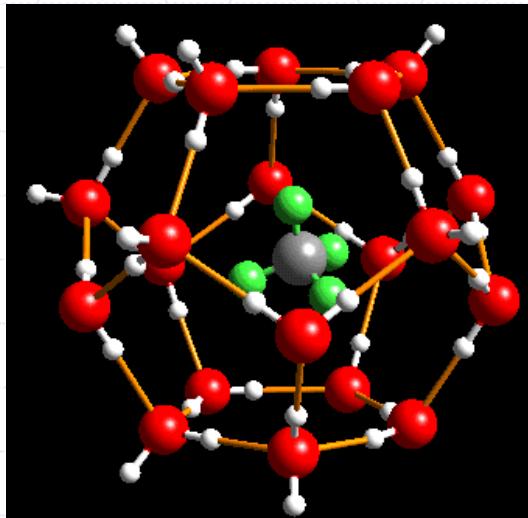


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# CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration

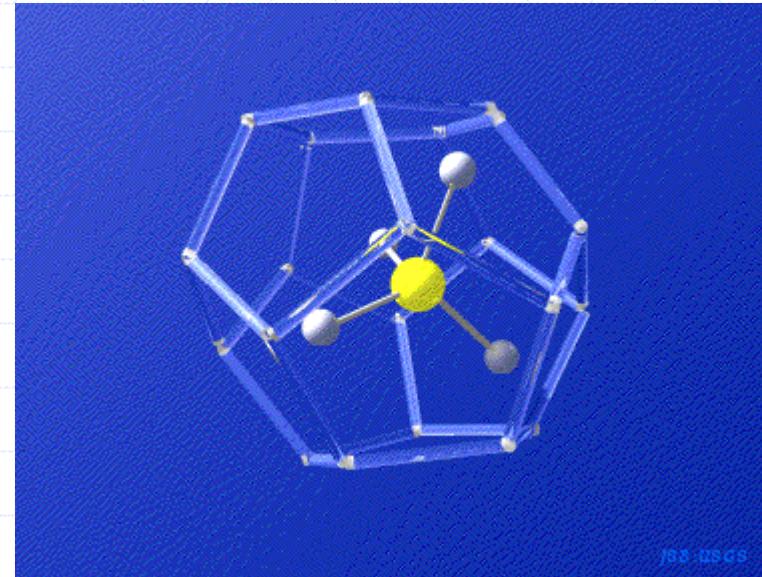


# What are gas hydrates?

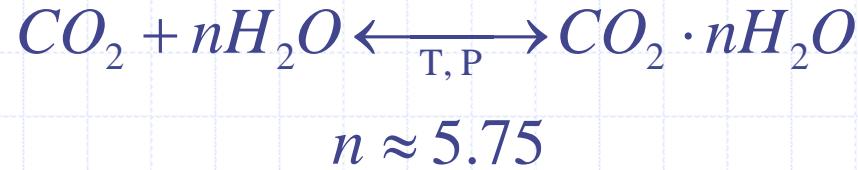


“Filled ice”

Example: methane hydrate



Cage structures of gas hydrates



$$\rho_h = 1100 - 1140 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

# $\text{CO}_2$ /seawater phase diagram

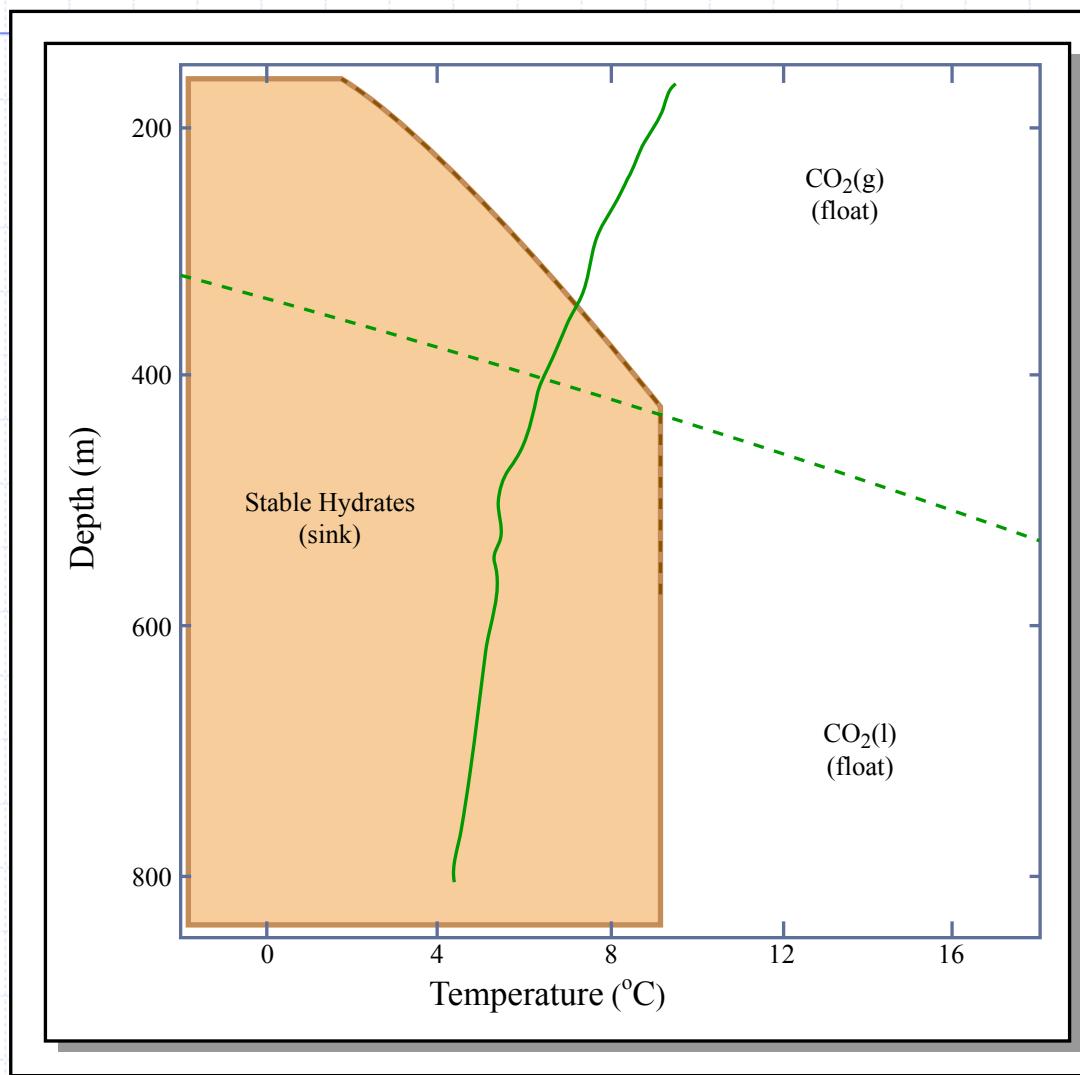
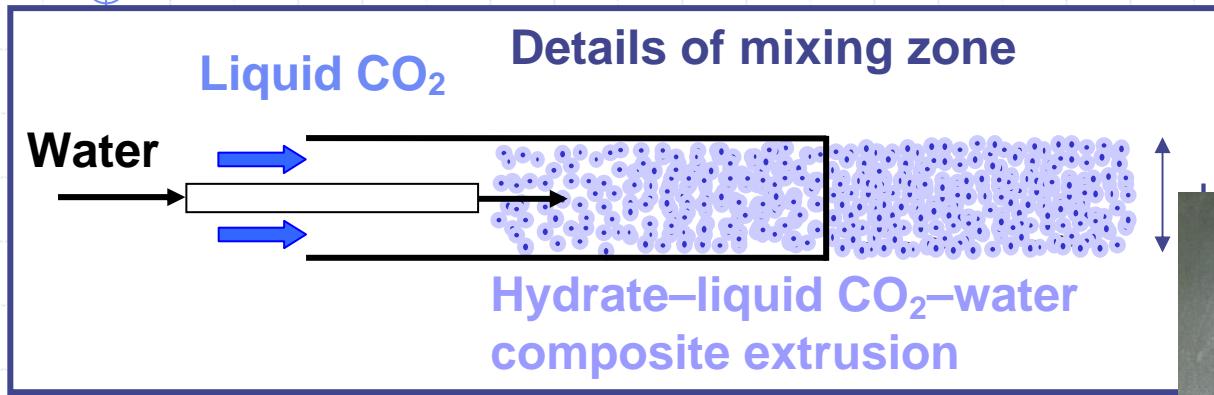
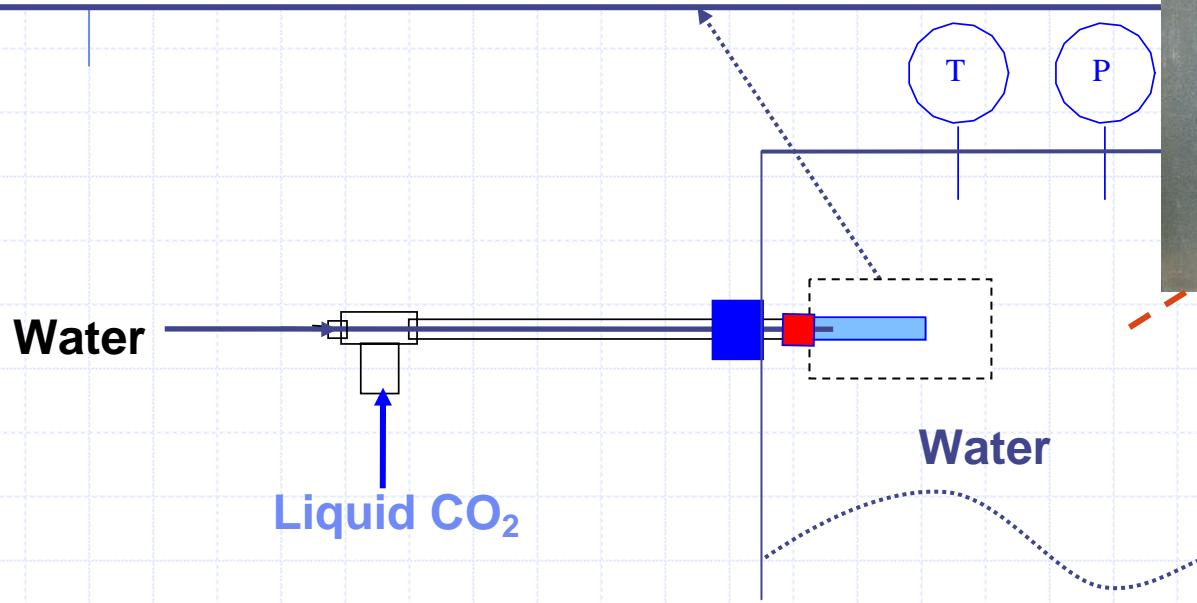


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# Laboratory studies (Oak Ridge National Lab)

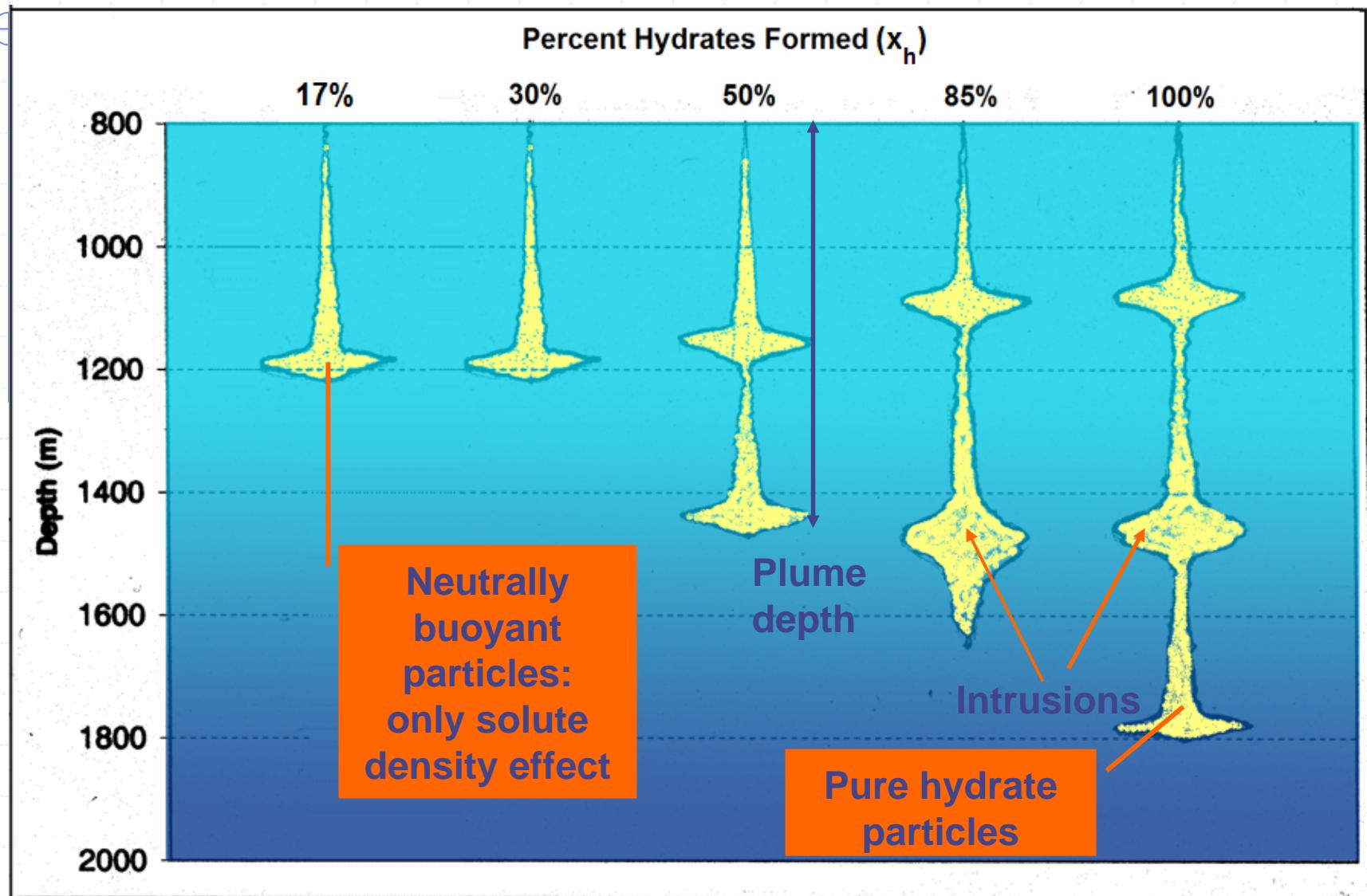


**ORNL SPS**  
(Seafloor process simulator)

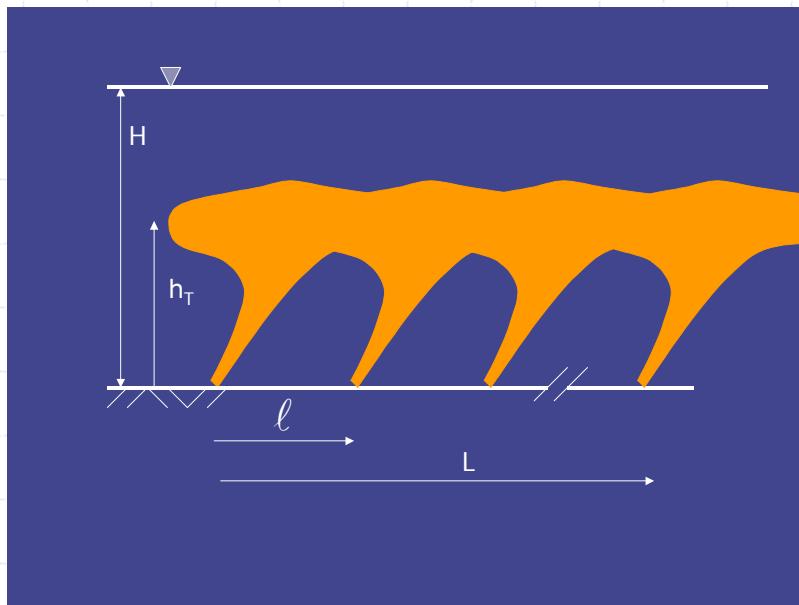


# Two-phase plume model

(100 kg/s CO<sub>2</sub>, 1 cm diameter spheres, release depth 800 m, Q<sub>c</sub>/Q<sub>w</sub> = λ = 0.49)



# Multi-port diffusers



## ◆ Construction:

- Cut and cover
- Bored tunnel

## ◆ Ports

- $l \sim 0.3H$  (or 0.3 h)
- Often 2 or more per riser

## ◆ Line source approx.

- $q_o = Q_o/L$ ,  $b_o = B_o/L$

## ◆ No current; no strat

- $S_m = 0.42Hb_o^{1/3}/q_o$

## ◆ No current; strat

- $S_m = 0.97b_o^{2/3}/q_o N$

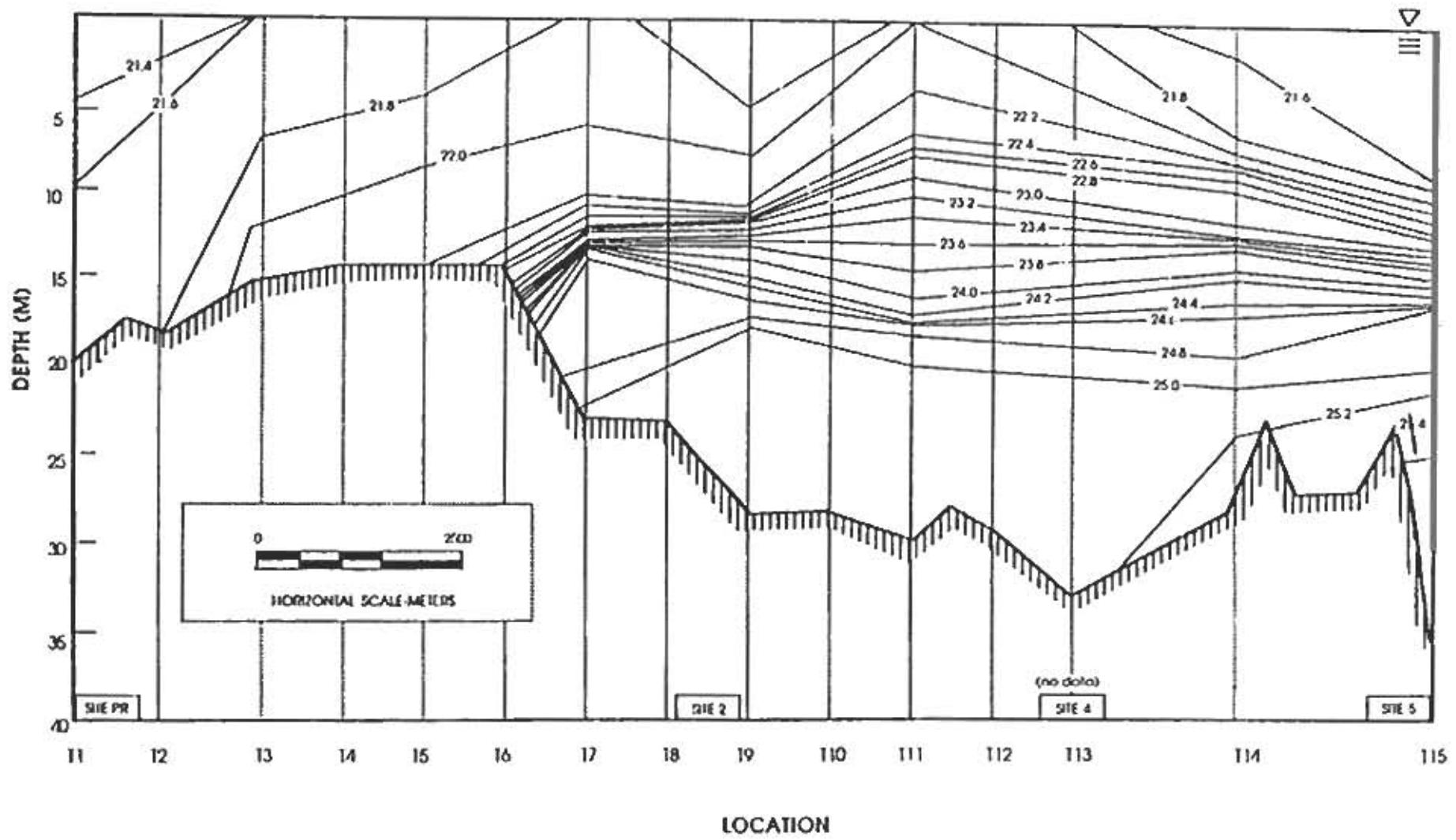
## ◆ Current; strat

- $S_m = 2.2u_a^{1/2}b_o^{1/2}/Nq_o$

# Single vs Multiport (WE 6-3)

## ◆ Boston Outfall

- Diffuser Length  $L = 2000 \text{ m}$
  - No ports  $N_p = 440$
  - Flow rate  $Q_o = 20 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
  - Water depth  $H = 30 \text{ m}$
  - Stratification frequency  $N^2 = \left| \frac{g \partial \rho}{\rho \partial z} \right|$
- ◆  $N^2 = (9.8)(25-22)/(1025)(30) = 0.001 \text{ s}^{-2}$



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FIGURE 1  
CROSS-SECTION OF SEAWATER DENSITY  
ALONG NORTHERN TRANSECT (Units of Sigma-t):  
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# Single vs Multiport (cont'd)

## ◆ As single port

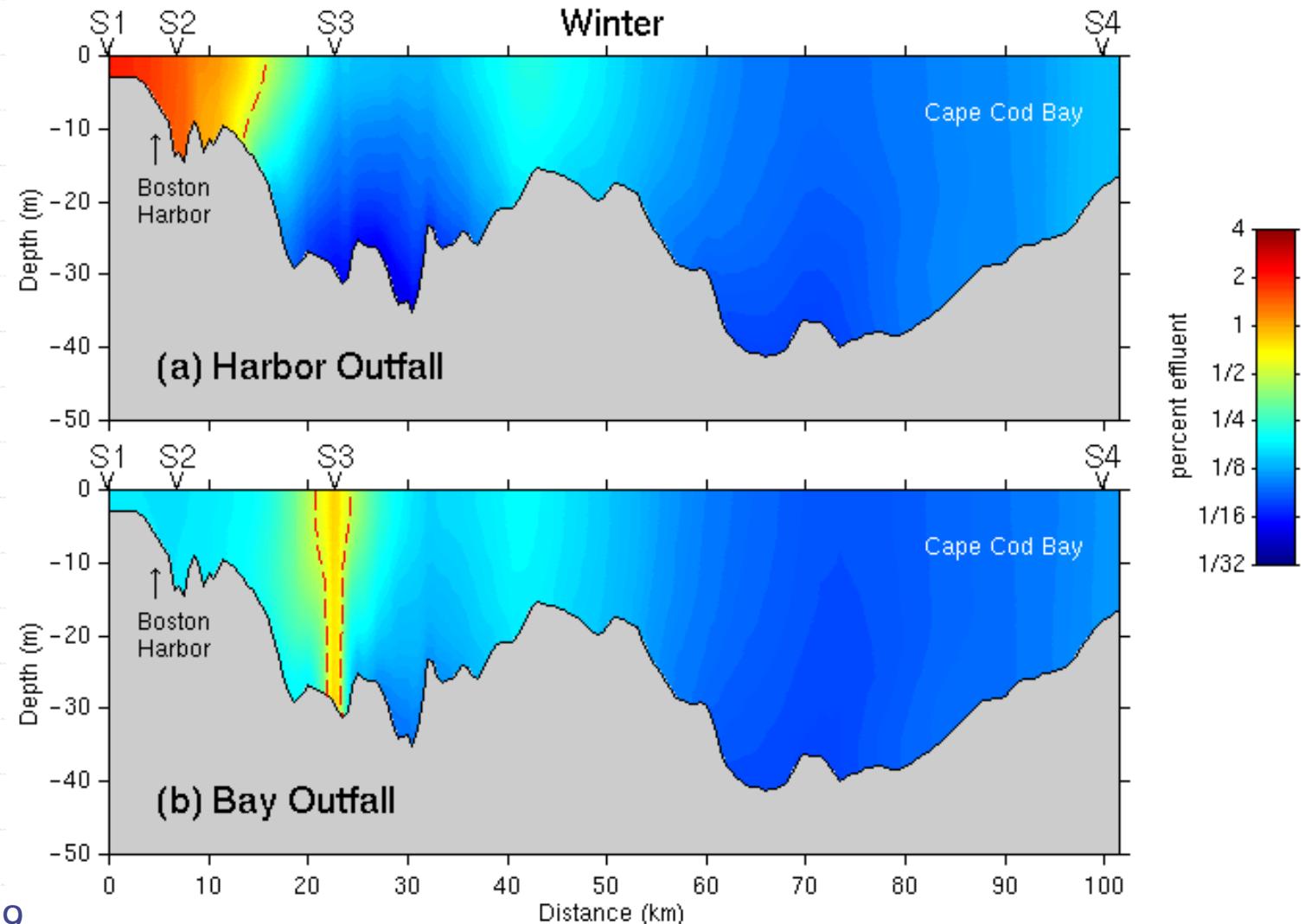
- $Q_o = 20/440 = 0.045 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
- $B_o = 0.045 * 9.8 * 0.025 = 0.011 \text{ m}^4/\text{s}^3$
- $h_t = 2.8B_o^{1/4}/N^{3/4} = 12 \text{ m}$
- $\ell = L/N_p = 2000/440 = 4.5 \text{ m}$ 
  - ◆  $\ell > 0.3 h_t \Rightarrow \text{no merging}$
- $S_m = 0.9 B_o^{3/4}/Q_o N^{5/4} =$   
 $0.9(0.011)^{3/4}/(0.045)(0.0013)^{5/8} = 51$

# Single vs Multi-port (cont'd)

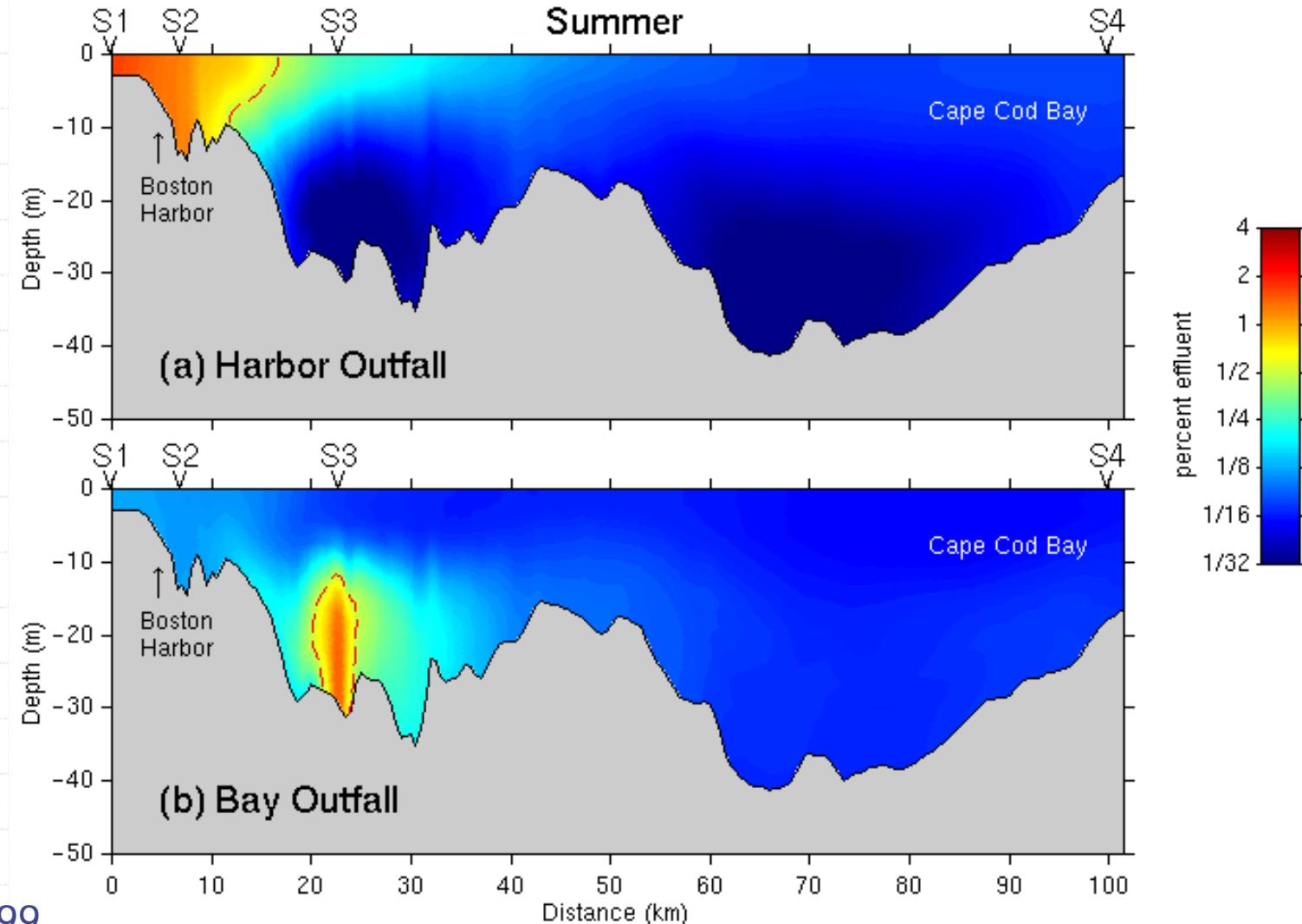
◆ As multi-port diffuser (line source of buoyancy)

- $q_o = 20/2000 = 0.01 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$
- $b_o = 0.01 * 0.025 * 9.8 = 0.0025 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}^3$
- $h_t = 2b_o^{1/3}/N = 2(0.0025)^{1/3}/(0.001)^{1/2} = 9 \text{ m}$
- $S_m = 0.97b_o^{2/3}/q_o N =$   
 $0.97(0.0025)^{2/3}/(0.01)(0.001)^{1/2} = 56$

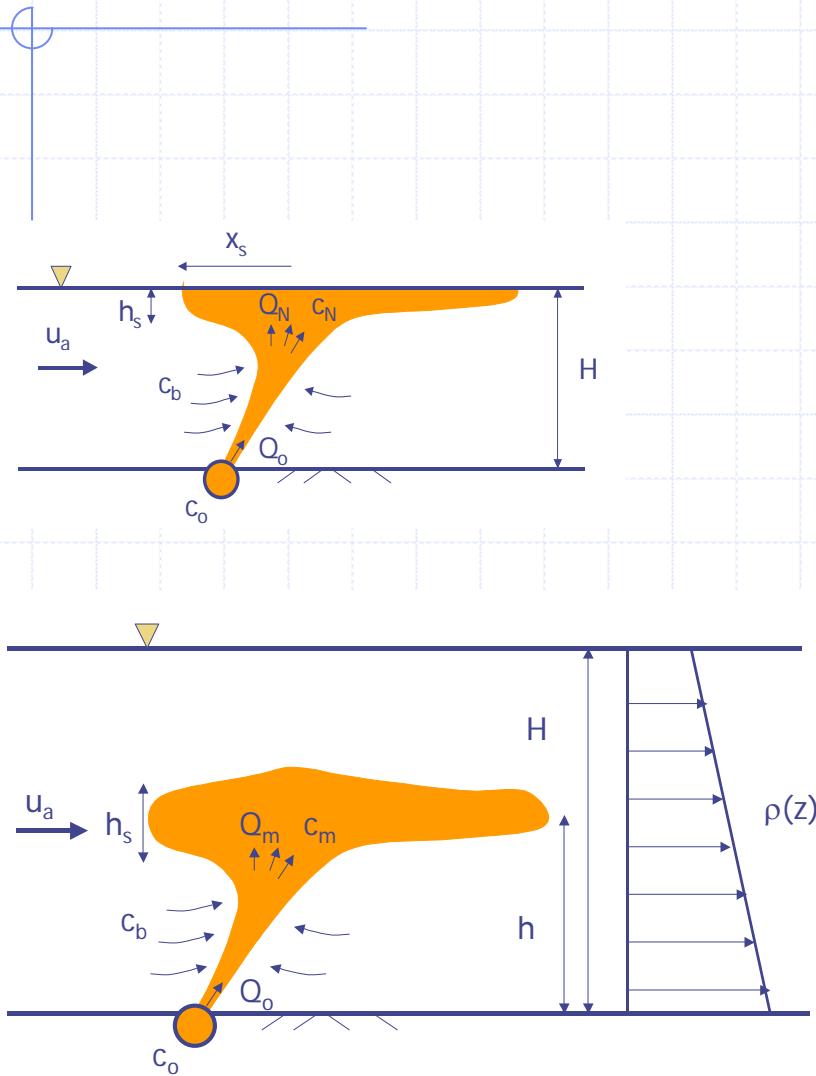
# Numerical modeling of sewage outfalls?



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# Gravitational spreading, intrusion, mixing



◆ Surface spreading layer

$$h_s = u_a^2 / g_N'$$

$$x_s = 0.3Q_N g_N' / u_a^3$$

$$b_s = 0.8Q_N g_N' / u_a^3$$

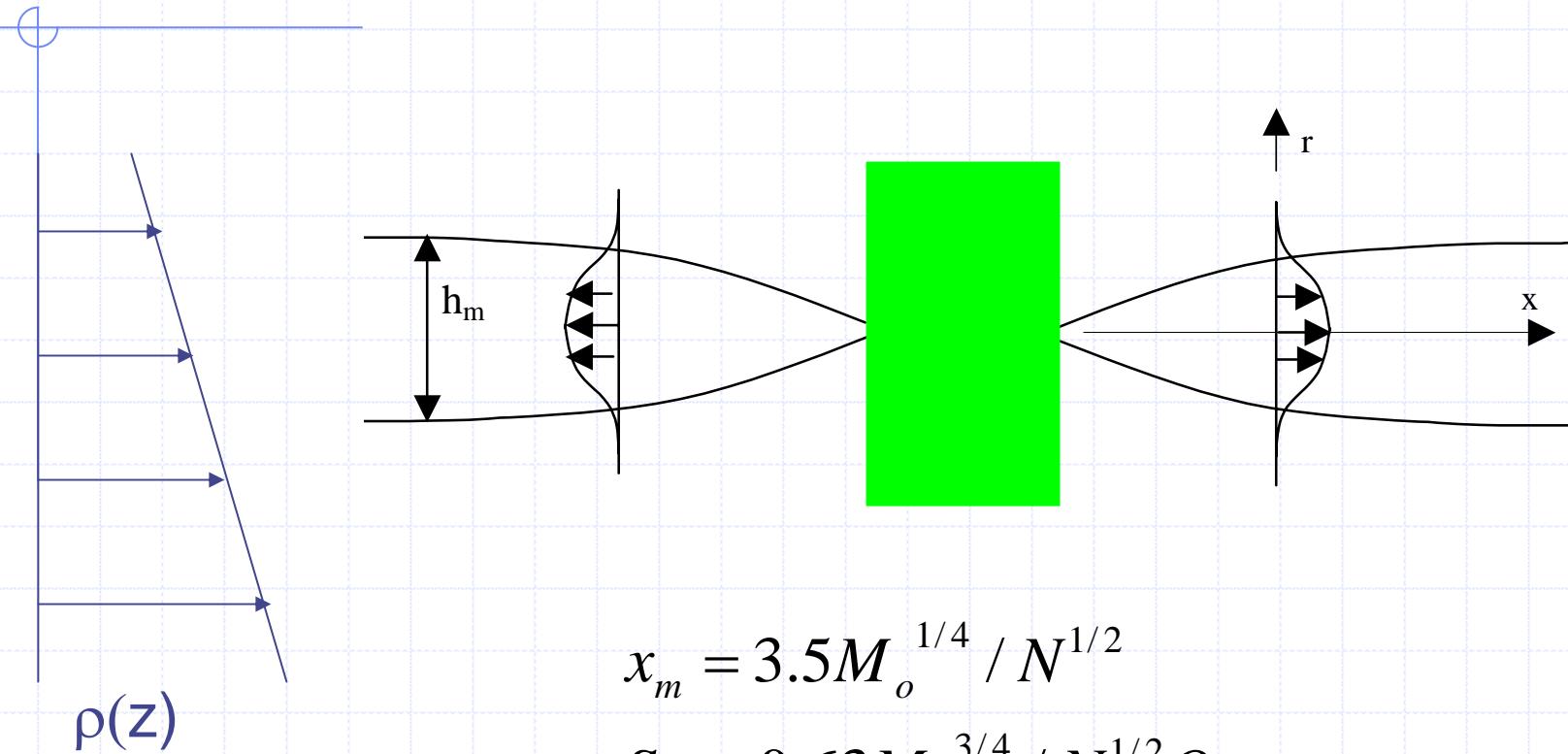
◆ Internal spreading layer

$$h_s = 1.2u_a / N$$

$$x_s = 0.25Q_N N / u_a^2$$

$$b_s = 0.65Q_N N / u_a^2$$

# Neutrally buoyant jet in stratification

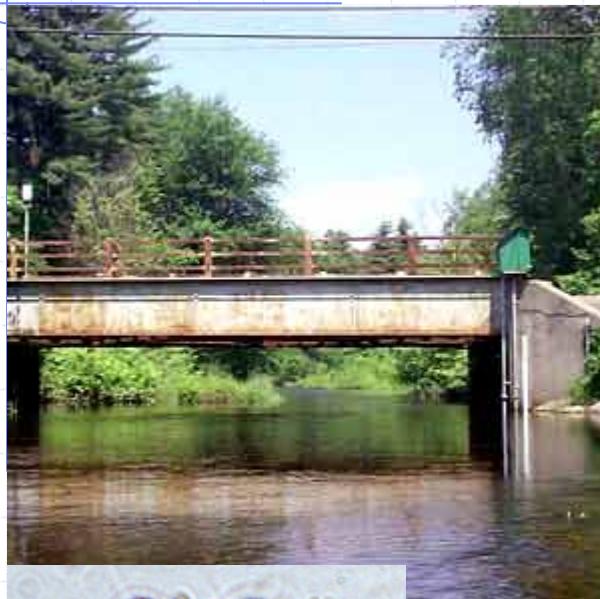


$$x_m = 3.5 M_o^{1/4} / N^{1/2}$$

$$S_m = 0.63 M_o^{3/4} / N^{1/2} Q_o$$

$$h_m = 0.95 M_o^{1/4} / N^{1/2}$$

# Wachusett Reservoir Algae



- ◆ Occasional taste and odor problems
  - *Synura* (left)
  - *Chrysosphaerella*
- ◆ Algal locations
  - Hypolimnion
  - Metalimnion
  - Under ice
- ◆ Conventional treatment (surface algae) with  $\text{CuSO}_4$  from boat
- ◆ How to efficiently treat (place algaecide in proper stratum) under ice & at depth?

# Layout of Treatment System

(potential system being discussed)

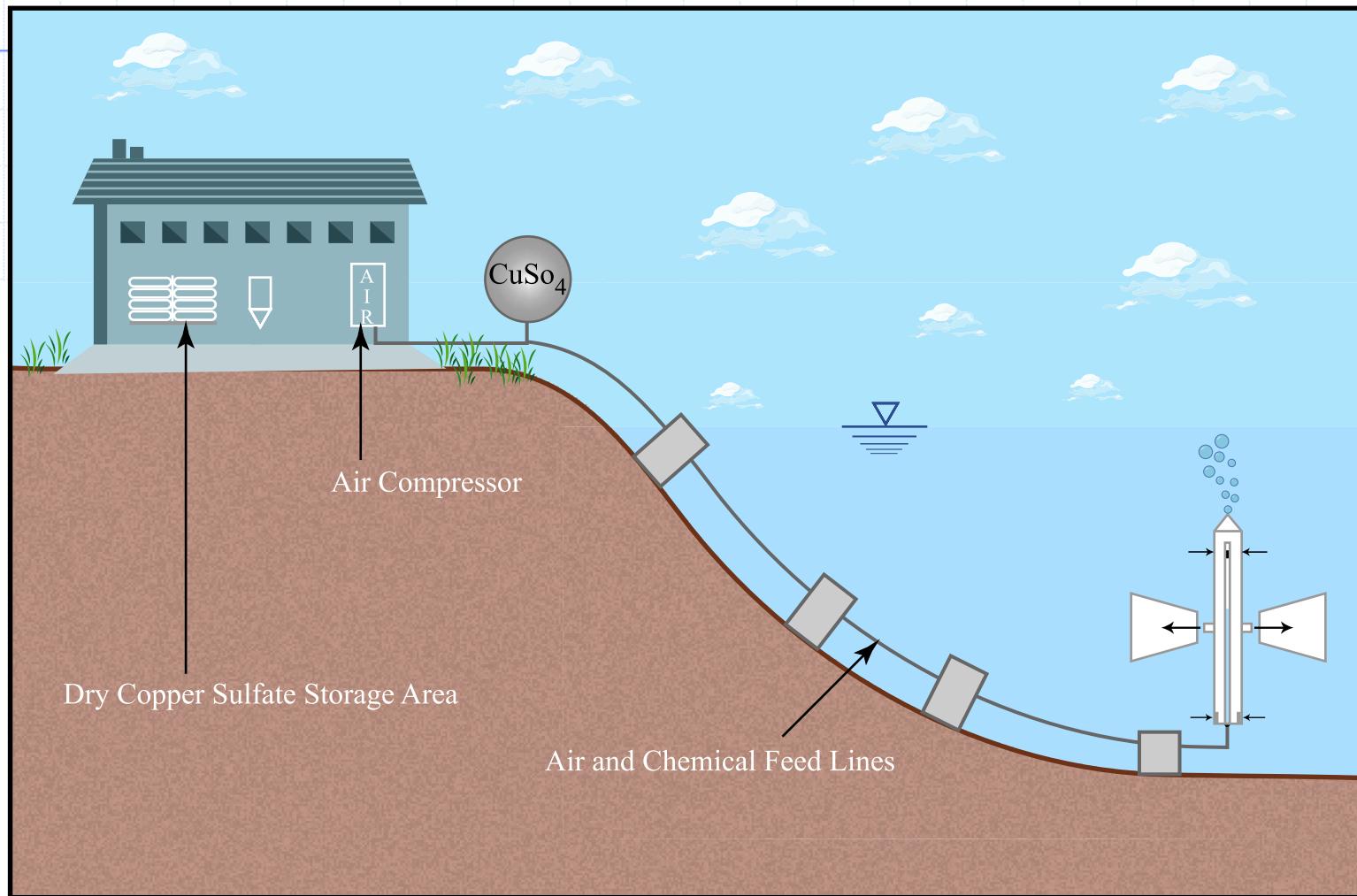
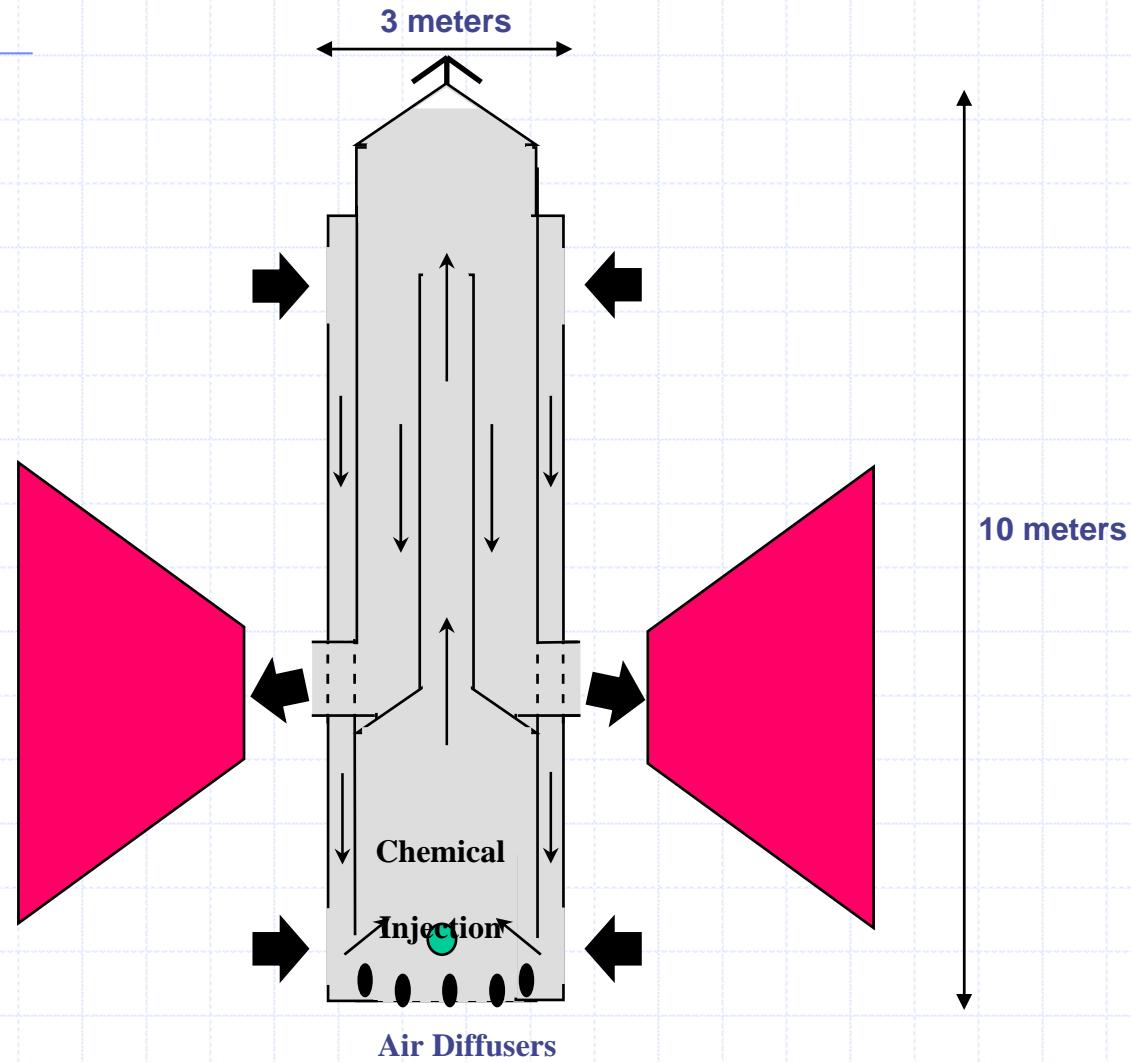


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# Mid-Depth Air Driven Circulator



# Application at Depth

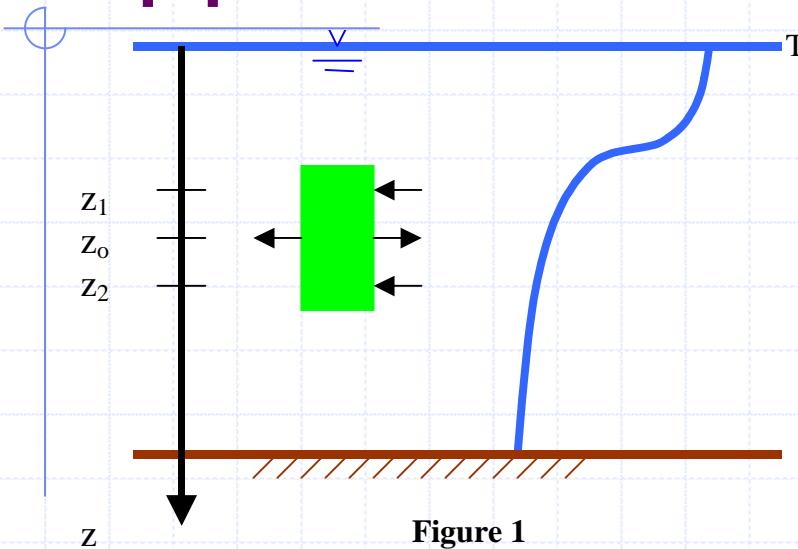
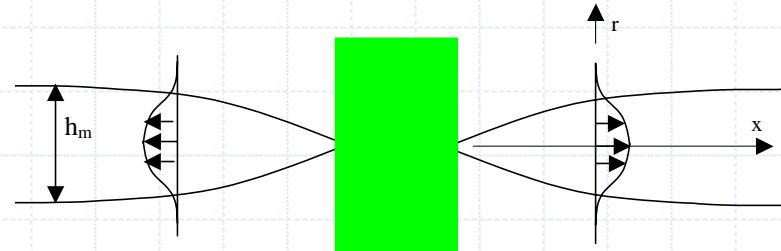
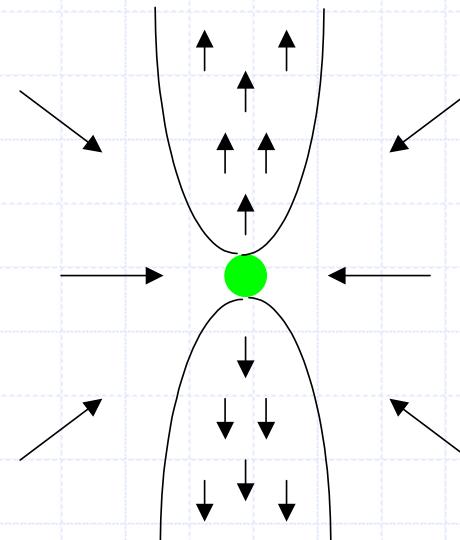


Figure 1



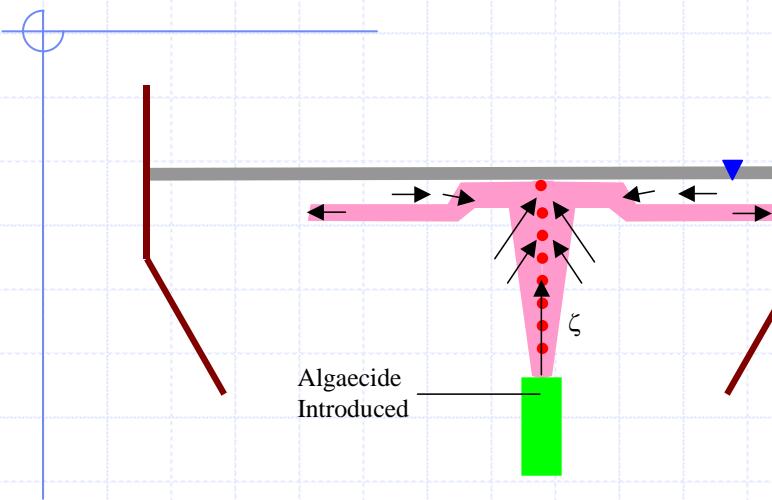
Elevation view



Plan view

Length, thickness and dilution  
(hence required operation time)  
depend on reservoir stratification  
and discharge momentum

# Application under Ice



Relies on bubble  
plume to transport  
algaecide to surface

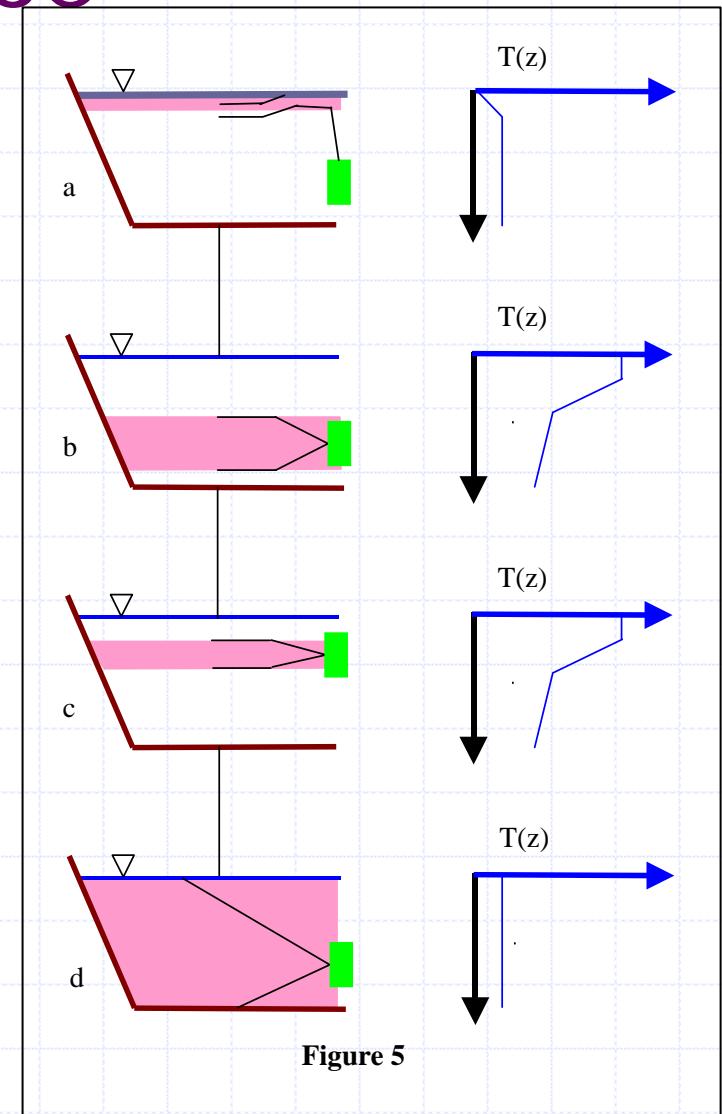


Figure 5

# Multi-port diffusers in shallow water

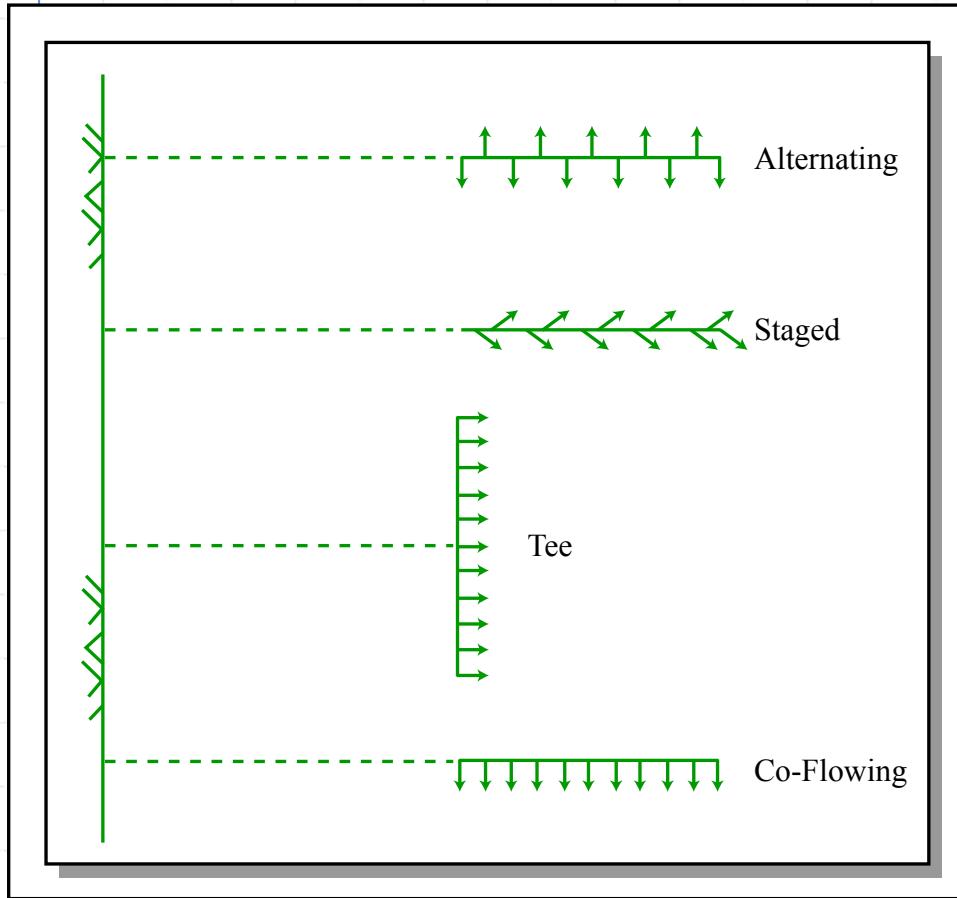


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◆ Typical for power plant (thermal) discharges

$$S_a = \sqrt{\frac{0.26g^{2/3} H^2 L^{4/3}}{Q_o^{4/3}} + \left(\frac{u_a H L}{Q_o}\right)^2}$$

$$S_s = \frac{0.5u_a H L}{Q_o} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{0.5u_a H L}{Q_o}\right)^2 + \frac{0.19 H L u_o}{Q_o}}$$

$$S_t = \sqrt{\frac{H L u_a^2}{2 Q_o u_o + 10 u_a^2 H L}}$$

$$S_c = \frac{0.5u_a H L}{Q_o} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{0.5u_a H L}{Q_o}\right)^2 + \frac{0.5 H L u_o}{Q_o}}$$

# Buoyant surface discharges

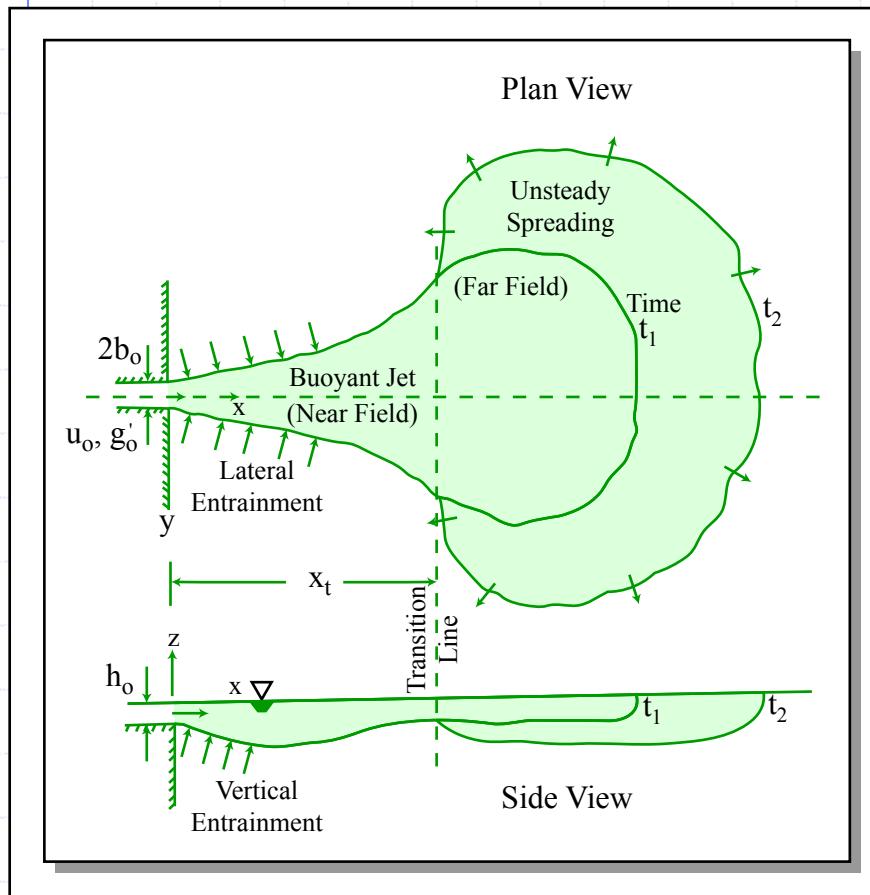


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- ◆ Thermal plumes and river discharges
- ◆ Independent variables

$$F_o' = \frac{u_o}{\sqrt{g(\Delta\rho_o/\rho)\ell_o}}$$

$$\ell_o = \sqrt{h_o b_o}$$

- ◆ Dependent variables
  - $S = 1.4F_o'$
  - Lengths  $\sim F_o' \ell_o$

# Combined near and far field analysis (accounting for background build-up)

Far Field Dilution

$$S_F = \frac{c_o - c_a}{c_F - c_a}$$

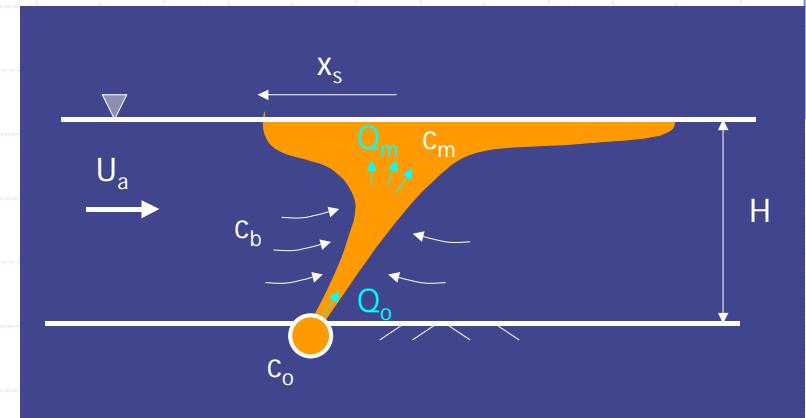
Near Field Dilution

$$S_N = \frac{c_o - c_F}{c_N - c_F}$$

Total Dilution

$$S_T = \frac{c_o - c_a}{c_N - c_a}$$

$$\frac{1}{S_T} = \frac{1}{S_N} + \frac{1}{S_F} - \frac{1}{S_N S_F} \cong \frac{1}{S_N} + \frac{1}{S_F}$$



Total dilution less than either near field or far field dilution and controlled by the smaller of the two

# Example

- ◆ Far field dilution  
 $S_F = 50$  to  $100$
- ◆ Near Field dilution  $S_N = 50$  to  $100$
- ◆ Total Dilution  
 $S_T = 25$  to  $33$  to  $50$

