PIV- and LDV- measurements of baroclinic wave interactions in a thermally driven rotating annulus

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Sketch of thermally driven rotating annulus







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The thermally driven rotating annulus at BTU Cottbus







Experimental setup for PIV observations



Wang, BTU Cottbus 2008

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Model

Non-dimensional equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} &= -\nabla \rho + \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} - Ra\,\theta \mathbf{k} - Ta^{1/2} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v} \\ \frac{d\theta}{dt} &= \frac{1}{Pr} \nabla^2 \theta \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Boundary conditions

$$w = 0$$
 and $\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial z} = 0$ at top and bottom
 $v_r = 0$ and $\theta = \theta_i$ at $r = r_i$
 $v_r = 0$ and $\theta = \theta_0$ at $r = r_0$



The heated rotating annulus

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Important numbers	

Non-dimensional numbers determine the flow regime

Taylor number
$$Ta = \frac{4 \cdot \Omega^2 \cdot (b-a)^5}{\nu^2 \cdot d}$$

Rayleigh number $Ra = \frac{g\alpha\Delta T(b-a)^3}{\nu\kappa}$
Prandtl number $Pr = \frac{\nu}{\kappa}$
Rossby number $Ro = \frac{4Ra}{PrTa} = \frac{g \cdot d \cdot \alpha\Delta T}{\Omega^2 \cdot (b-a)^2}$

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Fowlis and Hide (1965)



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Früh and Read (1997)





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Regime transitions



PIV principle



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PIV principle



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PIV observation in the inertial frame



Problems

How to switch to co-rotating frame?

 $\vec{v}_c = \vec{v}_i - \vec{\Omega} imes \vec{r}$

How to get rid of the shadow?

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Avoiding the shadow zone







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The heated rotating annulus

Frame co-rotating with cylinder Frame co-rotating with wave LDA observations

Results: mean flow



Harlander, Wang, Egbers (2008), proceedings Laser conference, Lisbor



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Proper Orthogonal Decomposition (POD)

Different names for the same thing: POD, EOF, PCA, Factor Analysis, Karhunen-Loéwe-Expansion, · · ·

Data matrix

Covariance matrix



Explained variance γ of $\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{j}}$ is defined as $\gamma := \frac{\lambda_j}{\sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_i}$

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Results: mean flow

Laser slice



PIV: time mean flow



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LDA principle



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LDA data



Azimuth Φ=0-2π



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Differentially heated periodic channel (Simulation by Andreas Dörnbrack),



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Future activities

• Combining PIV and thermography: can we estimate velocity from temperature?



- Breaking azimuthal symmetry of the annulus: still regular flows?
- Irregular regime: is the wave breaking symmetric?

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