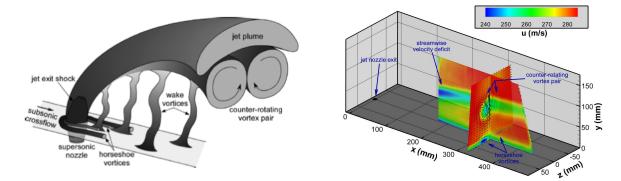
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# Estimating and verifying k-ε model coefficients for jet-in-crossflow simulations

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### Introduction



- Aim: Develop a predictive RANS model for transonic jet-incrossflow (JinC) simulations
- Drawback: RANS simulations are simply not predictive
  - They have "model-form" error i.e., missing physics
  - The numerical constants/parameters in the k-ε model are usually derived from canonical flows

### Hypothesis

- One can calibrate RANS to jet-in-crossflow experiments; thereafter the residual error is mostly model-form error
- Due to model-form error and limited experimental measurements, the parameter estimates will be approximate
  - We will estimate parameters as probability density functions (PDF)
- We hypothesize that most of the error in JinC simulations is parametric, not model-form

# The problem



#### The model

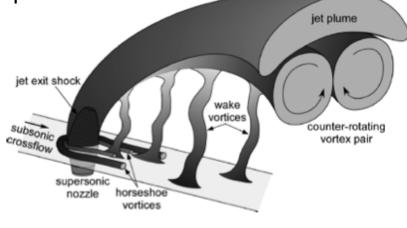
• Devising a method to calibrate 3 k- $\epsilon$  parameters **C** = {C<sub>µ</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>} from expt. data

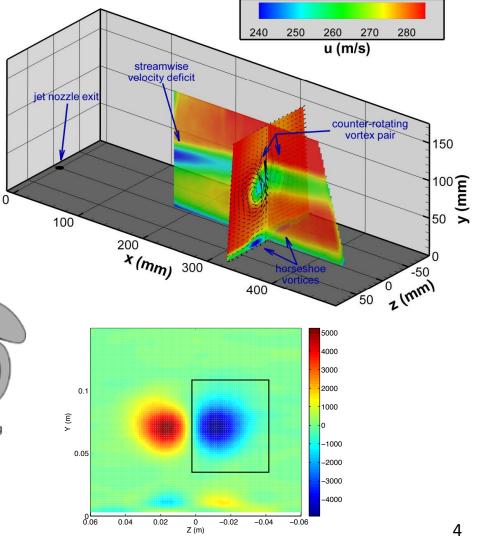
$$\frac{\partial \rho k}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[ \rho u_i k - \left( \mu + \frac{\mu_T}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_i} \right] = P_k - \rho \varepsilon + S_k$$
$$\frac{\partial \rho \varepsilon}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[ \rho u_i \varepsilon - \left( \mu + \frac{\mu_T}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \right) \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial x_i} \right] = \frac{\varepsilon}{k} \left( C_1 f_1 P_k - C_2 f_2 \rho \varepsilon \right) + S_\varepsilon$$
$$\mu_T = C_\mu f_\mu \rho \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon}$$

- Calibration parameters
  - C = {C<sub>μ</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>}; C<sub>μ</sub>: affects turbulent viscosity; C<sub>1</sub> & C<sub>2</sub>: affects dissipation of TKE
- Calibration questions
  - Calibrate to 3 different datasets
    - Are the values of {C<sub>μ</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>} similar? Are some parameters more sensitive to others? Which ones?

# Target problem - jet-in-crossflow

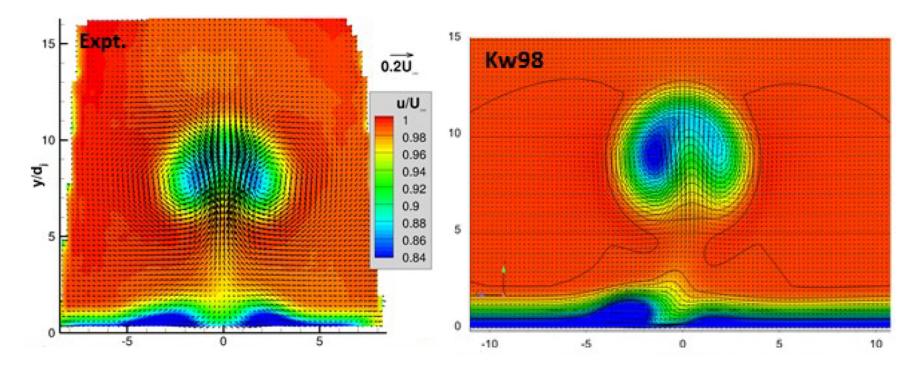
- A canonical problem for spinrocket maneuvering, fuel-air mixing etc.
- We have experimental data (PIV measurements) on the mid-plane; also crossplane for M = 0.8
- Will calibrate to velocity on the midplane and test against crossplane





### RANS (k-\omega) simulations - crossplane results





- Crossplane results for streamwise velocity deficit
- Computational results (SST) are too round; Kw98 doesn't have the mushroom shape; non-symmetric!
- Less intense regions; boundary layer too weak

## Details of the study



- Aims of the calibration
  - Calibrate to velocity measurements on the midplane
    - Check against measurements on crossplane (when possible)
  - Calibrate to a M = {0.6, 0.7, 0.8}, J = 10.2 interactions
    - Check if they yield similar estimates
  - Perform calibration by posing & solving a Bayesian inverse problem
    - Estimate C as a joint PDF, using a Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) method
- Technical challenges
  - MCMC requires O(10<sup>4</sup>) calls to the RANS simulator
    - 3D JinC RANS simulation expensive; replace with an emulator v = f(; C)
  - Arbitrary combinations of (Cμ, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>) may be nonphysical
    - How to build surrogates when (Cµ, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>) are nonsensical?
  - What functional form to use for f(:; C)?

### The Bayesian calibration problem

Model experimental values at probe j as u<sup>(j)</sup><sub>ex</sub> = u<sup>(j)</sup>(C) + ε<sup>(j)</sup>, ε<sup>(j)</sup> ~ N(0, σ<sup>2</sup>)

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{v_{ex}}|\boldsymbol{C}) \propto \sum_{j \in \mathcal{P}} \exp\left(-\frac{\left(u^{(j)} - u^{(j)}(\mathbf{C})\right)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

• Given prior beliefs  $\pi$  on **C**, the posterior density ('the PDF') is

$$P(C|\mathbf{v}_{ex}) \propto \Lambda(\mathbf{v}_{ex}|\mathbf{C})\pi_{\mu}(C_{\mu})\pi_{2}(C_{2})\pi_{1}(C_{1})\pi_{\sigma}(\sigma)$$

- P(C|u<sub>ex</sub>) is a complicated distribution that has to be described by drawing samples from it
- This is done by MCMC
  - MCMC describes a random walk in the parameter space to identify good parameter combination
  - Each step of the walk requires a model run to check the new parameter

### Making emulators - 1



### Training data

- Parameter space C: 0.06 < C $\mu$  < 0.12; 1.7 < C $_2$  < 2.1; 1.2 < C $_1$  < 1.7
- **C**<sub>nom</sub> = {0.09, 1.93, 1.43}
- Take 2744 samples in *C* using a space-filling quasi Monte Carlo pattern
  - Save the streamwise vorticity field  $\omega_x(\mathbf{y}; \mathbf{C})$
- Choosing the "probes"
  - Will try to create emulators for each grid cell on the crossplane
  - Most grid cells have lots of numerical noise
  - For a given run, choose the grid cells with vorticity the top 25% percentile (56 grid cells)
  - Take the union of such grid cells, union over the 2744 members of the training set (comes to 108 grid cells)
    - We will try to make emulators for these 108 grid cells with large vorticity

### Making emulators - 2



- Model v in grid cell j as a function of C i.e. v<sup>(j)</sup> = f<sup>(j)</sup>(C)
  - Approximate this dependence with a polynomial
  - $\mathbf{v}^{(j)} = a_0 + a_1 C_{\mu} + a_2 C_2 + a_3 C_1 + a_4 C_{\mu} C_2 + a_5 C_{\mu} C_2 + a_6 C_2 C_1 + \cdots$
- But how to get (a<sub>0</sub>, a<sub>1</sub>, ....) for each of the probe locations to complete the surrogate model for each probe?
  - Divide training data in a Learning Set and Testing Set
  - Fit a full cubic model for to the Learning Set via least-squares regression; sparsify using AIC
  - Estimate prediction RMSE for Learning & Testing sets; should be equal
- Final model tested using 100 rounds of cross-validation
- 10% error threshold was used to select models for the probes

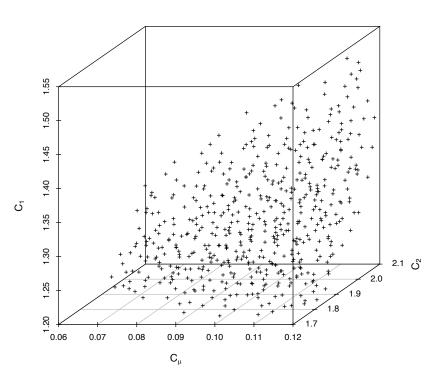
### Making emulators - 3



### Choosing ${\mathcal R}$

- emulators failed we could not model any surrogates to within 10% accuracy
- This is because many C = {Cμ, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>} combination are nonphysical
- We compute the RMSE vorticity difference between the training set RANS runs and experimental observations
  - We retain only the top 25 percentile of the runs (using RMSE) as training data (*R*)

Runs in the top 25th percentile



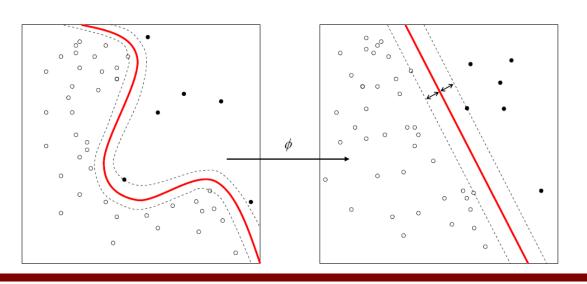
## Making the informative prior



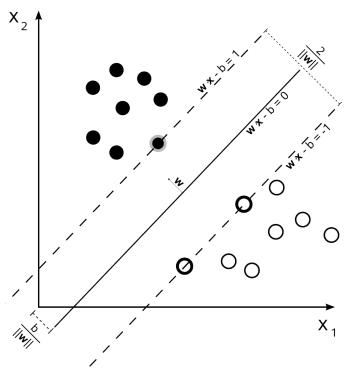
- Our emulators are valid only inside  $\mathcal{R}$  in the parameter space  $\mathcal{C}$
- During the optimization (MCMC) we have to reject parameter combinations outside  $\mathcal{R}$  (this is our prior belief  $\pi_{\text{prior}}(\mathbf{C})$ )
  - We define  $\zeta(\mathbf{C}) = 1$ , for **C** in R and  $\zeta(\mathbf{C}) = -1$  for **C** outside  $\mathcal{R}$
  - Then the level set  $\zeta(\mathbf{C}) = 0$  is the boundary of  $\mathcal{R}$
- The training set of RANS runs is used to populate  $\zeta(\mathbf{C})$
- We have to "learn" the discriminating function  $\zeta(\mathbf{C}) = 0$ 
  - We'll do that using support vector machine (SVM) classifiers

## What is a SVM classifier?

- Given a binary function y = f(x) as a set of points (y<sub>i</sub>, x<sub>i</sub>), y<sub>i</sub> = (0, 1)
  - Find the hyperplane y + Ax = 0 that separates the x-space into y = 0 and y = 1 parts
- Posed as an optimization problem that maximizes the margin



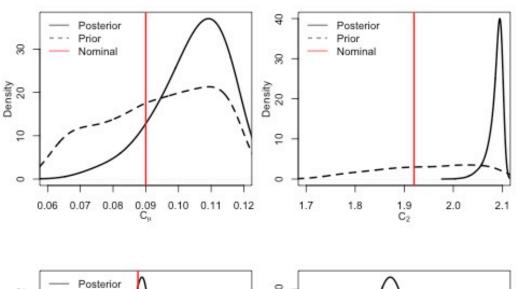


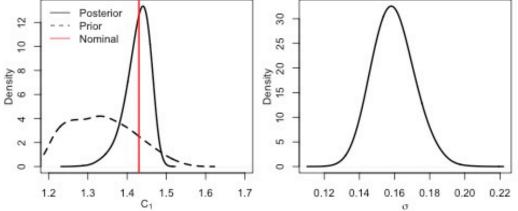


- In case of a curved discriminator, need a transformation first
  - Achieved using kernels
  - We use a cubic kernel

## Solution of the inverse problem

- We solve the calibration problem with MCMC (DRAM)
  - The treed classifier imposes the prior π<sub>prior</sub>(C)
  - About 25,000 MCMC steps need to reach converged 4dimemsional (Cµ, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>, σ<sup>2</sup>) PDFs
- We test the 4-D PDF by:
  - Taking 100 (Cµ, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>) samples from the PDF
  - Running the RANS simulator
  - Checking the flowfield
- This manner of prediction is called a 'pushed forward posterior'

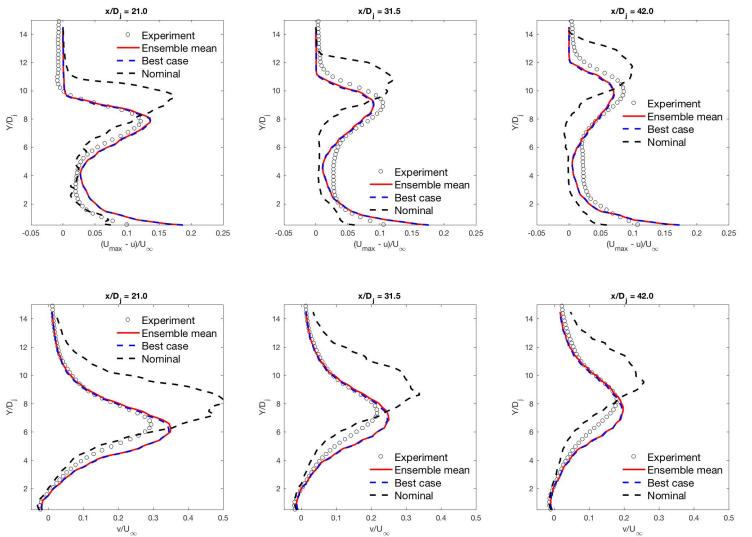




Results for the M = 0.8, J = 10.2 case



### Check # 1 – mid-plane comparisons 🖻



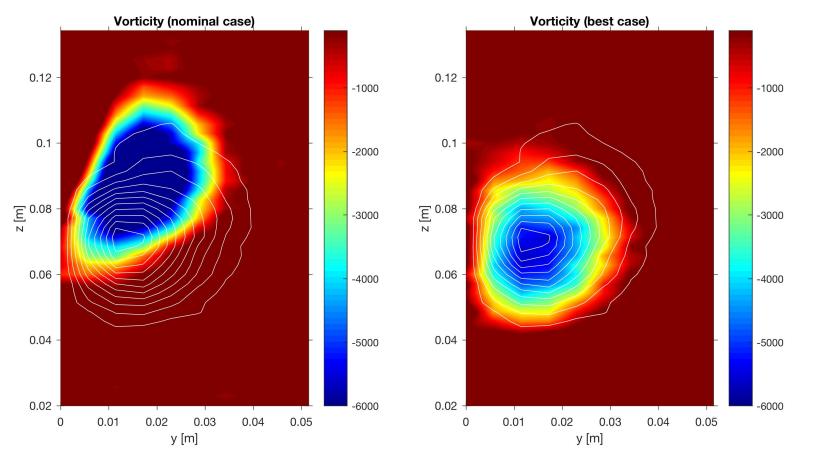
Good match; but this was what we calibrated to

10.2 case П 0.0 Results for the M =

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### Check # 2 – the vorticity field



The improvement is significant. And this was NOT the calibration variable

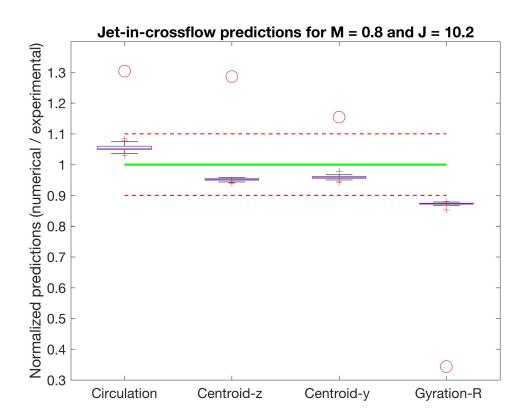
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### Check # 3 – point vortex summary

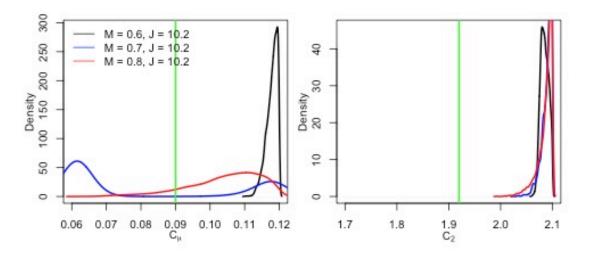
- Use the crossplane vorticity fields from the 100 RANS runs ('pushed forward posterior') to compute
  - Total circulation
  - Centroid of vorticity field
  - Radius of gyration of vorticity field
  - Normalize each by their experimental counterpart
- We expect to get an ensemble of values for each metric around 1

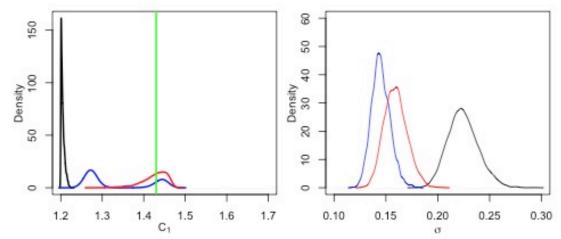




# **Comparison of all runs**

- Repeated the calibration for M = 0.6 and M = 0.7
- Takeaways
  - C<sub>2</sub> seems to be consistently high
  - Cµ seems to be clustered around the higher end
  - C1 seems to be either near nominal or at the lower bound
    - M = 0.6 run has the work model-data mismatch

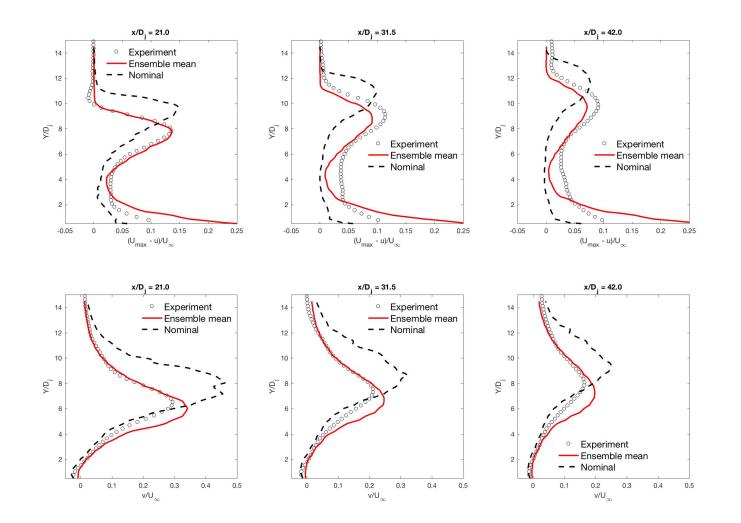






### Velocities for M = 0.7



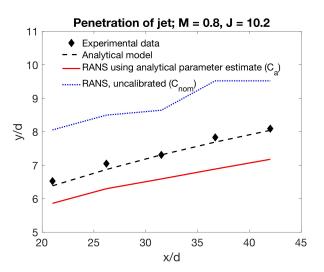


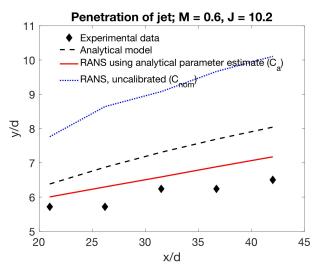
Improvement in fit over the nominal case

### An analytical model



- Jet modeled as evolution of a counterrotating vortex pair
  - The velocity deficit in the core modeled as a wake
  - RANS simplified and cast in a self-similar form
    - $U_s \sim x^{n-1}$  ,  $y_{jet} \sim x^n$
- 2 solutions: near-field (n = ½) and far-field (n=1/3)
  - Near-field solution leads to estimates of (Cμ, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>) = (0.1, 2.1, 1.34)
  - Far-field solution provides the trajectory of the jet
- Details: DeChant et al, "K-ɛ Turbulence Model Parameter Estimates Using an Approximate Self-Similar Jet-in-Crossflow Solution", submitted AIAA Journal.

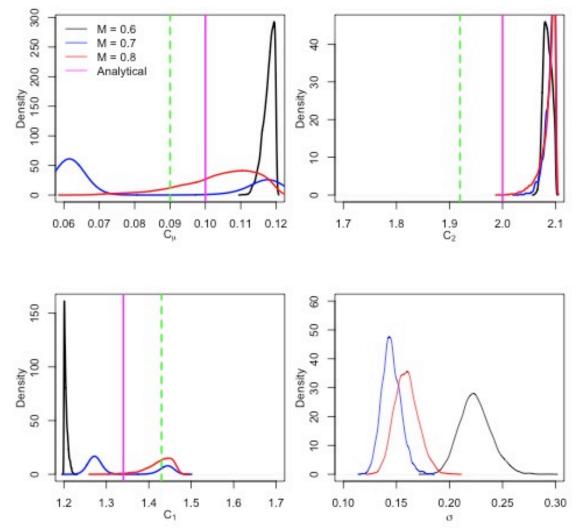




### Comparison – analytical v/s PDFs

- Analytical values show a shift in the right direction
- The calibration

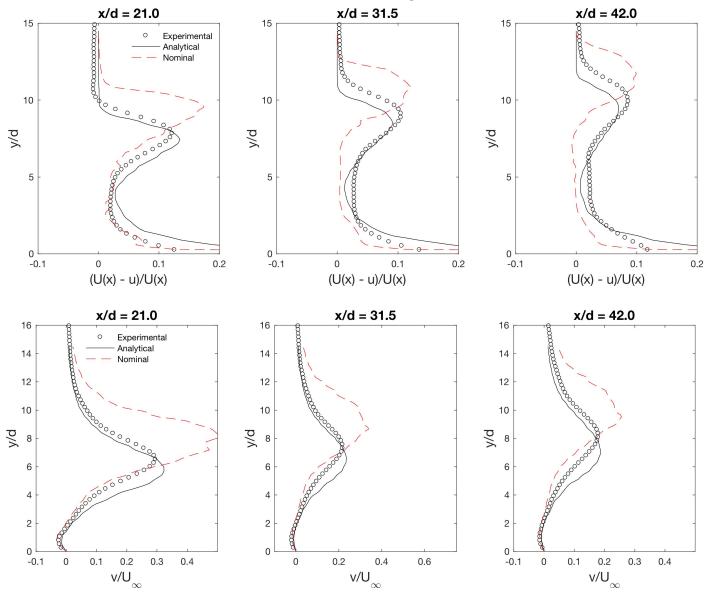
   was not sweeping
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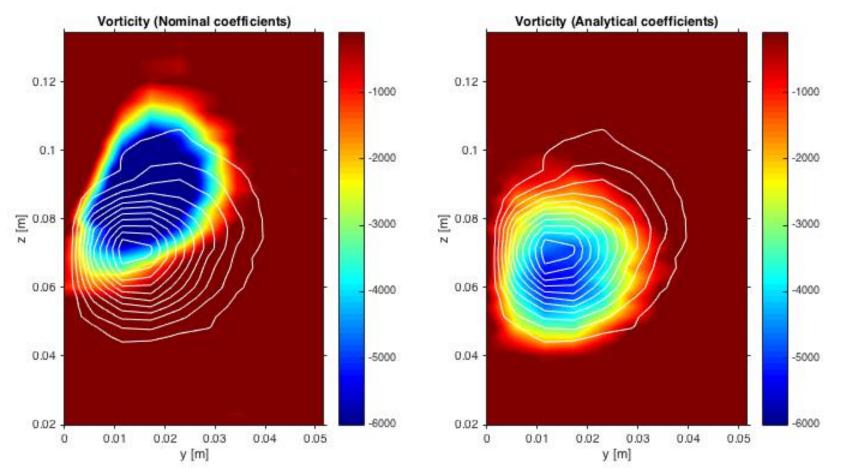
### Validate model v/s experiment





### **Comparing vorticity**





The analytical coefficients are quite predictive

## Conclusions



- We performed a Bayesian calibration for jet-in-crossflow for 3 different Mach numbers
  - Calibration changed the predictive skill immensely
  - The PDFs for the 3 cases were NOT identical, but ...
  - All indicated that the 2/3 calibrated parameters should be changed, and in the same direction
  - We worried that the calibration was simply compensating for modelform errors,
    - and not indicating that the nominal values of the parameters (C<sub>nom</sub>)were inappropriate
- So, we developed an analytical model no fitting to data was performed – and obtained estimates of C
  - Which agreed with our calibrated values
  - And also had better predictive skill than C<sub>nom</sub>