



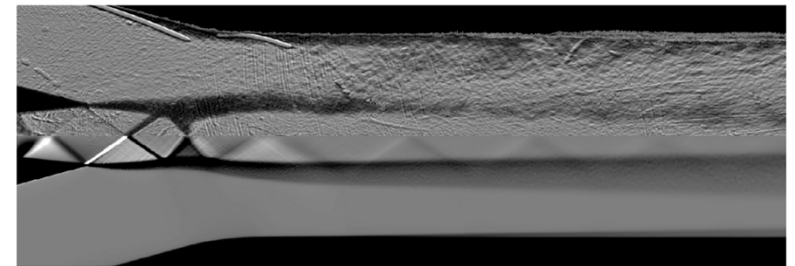
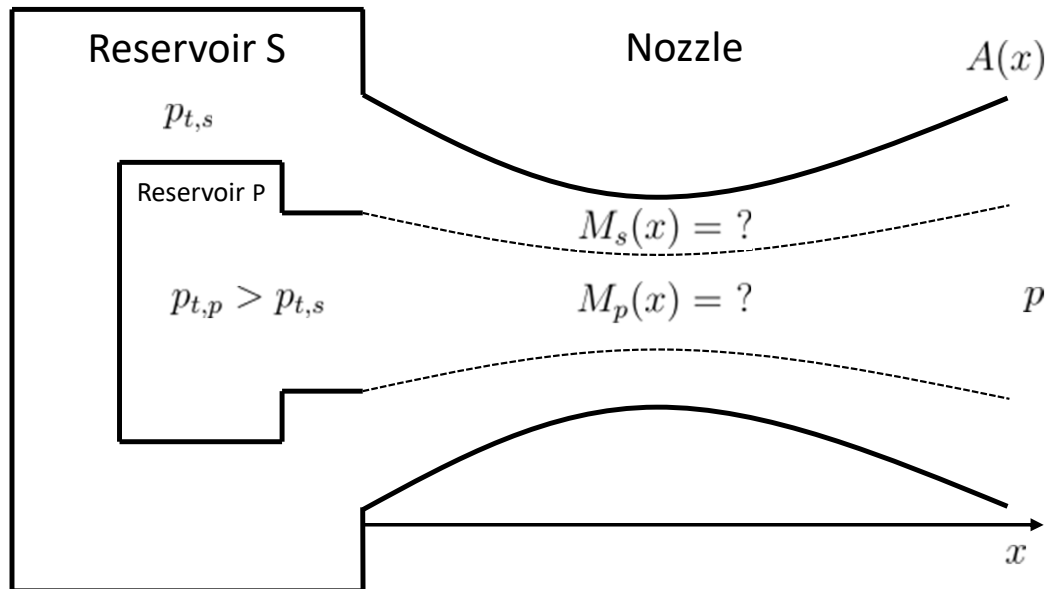
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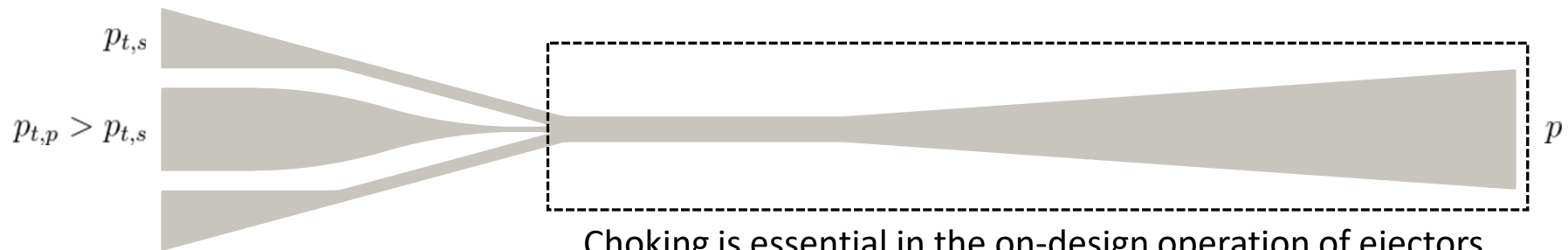


Choking of parallel streams



This problem is inherently 2/3D. ^[1]

Can the streams and their choking be described with cross-stream averaged quantities (1D)?

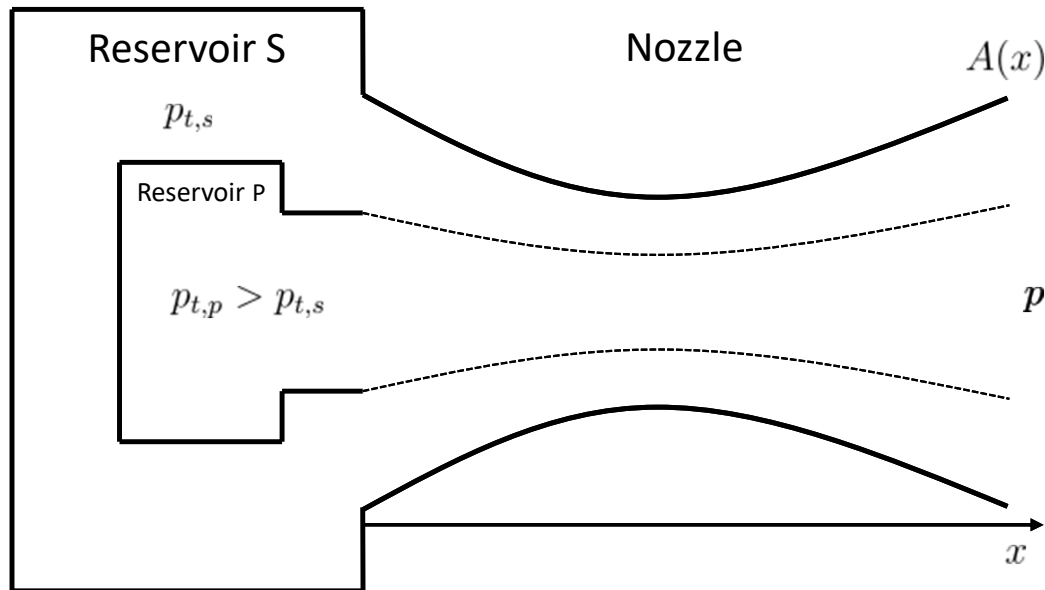


Choking is essential in the on-design operation of ejectors.

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1D model definition



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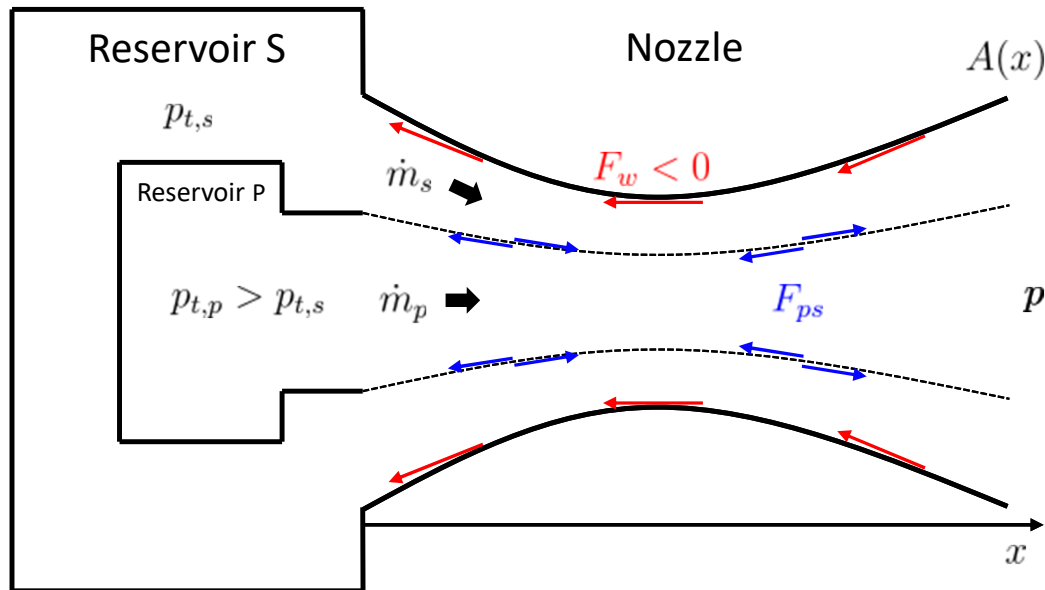
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1D model definition



8 unknowns with 7 equations, so we need an additional constraint.

Conservation equations in each stream:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} (\dot{m}_i) &= 0 \\ \frac{d}{dx} (\dot{m}_i u_i) &= -A_i \frac{dp}{dx} + F_i \\ \frac{d}{dx} (\dot{m}_i h_{t,i}) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

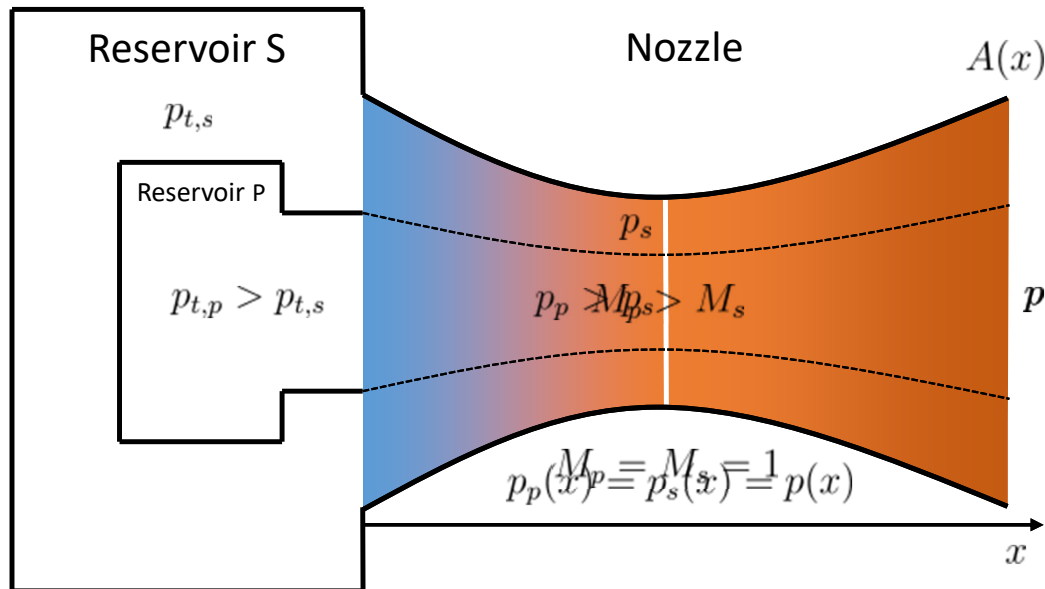
Definition of the forces:

$$\begin{aligned}F_w &= -\frac{1}{2} f_w (\rho_s u_s^2) l_w \\ F_{ps} &= \frac{1}{2} f_{ps} \left(\frac{\rho_p + \rho_s}{2} (u_p - u_s)^2 \right) l_{ps}\end{aligned}$$

Constraint on the cross-sections:

$$A_p(x) + A_s(x) = A(x)$$

1D model definition: additional constraint



The solution for a single stream is invalid.

$$M_p = M_s = 1 \Rightarrow p_p > p_s$$

The static pressure is uniform across the streams.

$$p_p = p_s \Rightarrow M_p > M_s$$

There is no section where both streams are sonic.

➡ How do parallel streams choke?

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From the conservation equations to explicit ODEs

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Constraints:

$$\begin{cases} A_p(x) + A_s(x) = A(x) \\ p_p(x) = p_s(x) = p(x) \end{cases} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{Choking?}$$

In each stream:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dA_i}{dx} = \left(A_i \frac{1 - M_i^2}{\gamma M_i^2} \right) \frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx} \\ \frac{dp_{t,i}}{dx} = p_{t,i} \frac{F_i}{p A_i} \\ \frac{dT_{t,i}}{dx} = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} \Rightarrow \text{Dividing} \\ \text{streamline} \end{matrix} \quad i \in [p, s]$$

For the uniform static pressure:

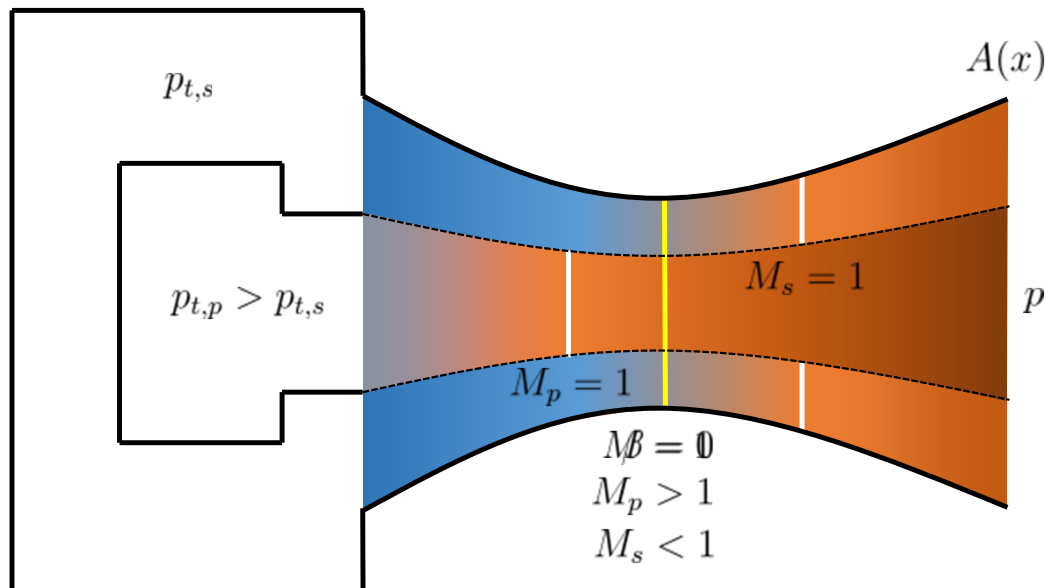
$$\frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{dA}{dx} + N_w + N_{ps} \right)$$

$$\beta = \sum_i A_i \frac{1 - M_i^2}{\gamma M_i^2} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{"Compound choking indicator"} \\ \text{Singular if } \beta = 0. \end{matrix}$$

$$N_w = -\frac{f_w l_w}{2} (1 + (\gamma - 1) M_s^2)$$

$$N_{ps} = \frac{f_{ps} l_{ps}}{2} \left(\frac{M_p^2 - M_s^2}{\gamma M_p^2 M_s^2} \right) \left(\frac{\rho_p + \rho_s}{2} (u_p - u_s)^2 \right) \frac{1}{p}$$

How do parallel streams choke?



Parallel streams can choke with a subsonic and a supersonic component.

Single stream:

$$\frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{1 - M^2} \left(\gamma M^2 \frac{1}{A} \frac{dA}{dx} \right) = \frac{1}{A} \frac{1 - M^2}{\gamma M^2} \frac{dA}{dx}$$

$$\text{Sonic: } M = 1 \quad \frac{dA}{dx} = 0$$

Double stream:

$$\frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{dA}{dx} + N_w + N_{ps} \right)$$

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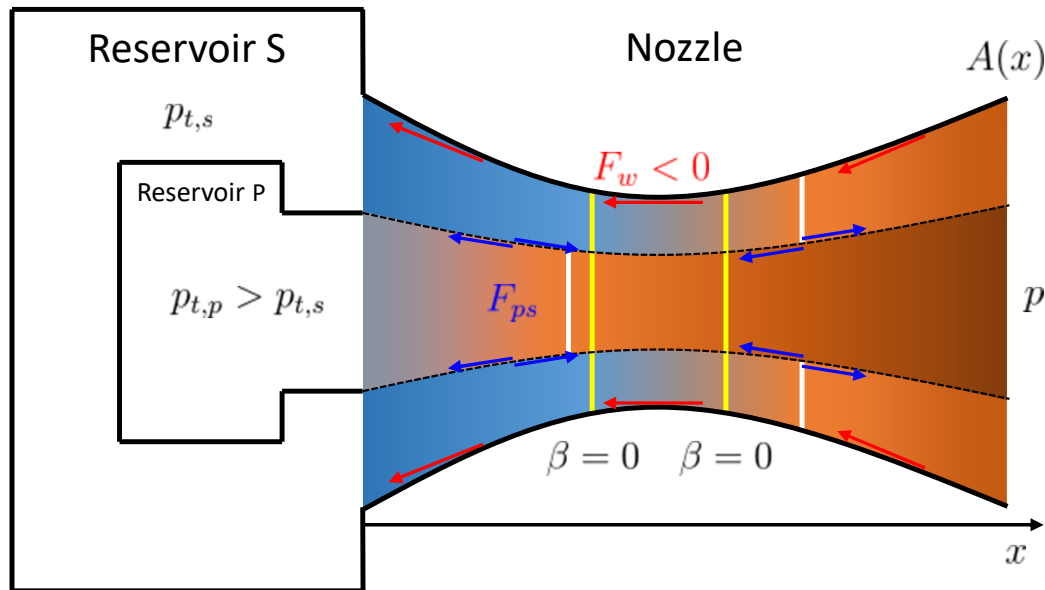
Possible if: $M_p = M_s = 1$ (single stream)

Or: $M_p > 1 \quad M_s < 1$

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Effect of the friction forces



Parallel streams can become sonic in a convergent section due to friction between the streams.

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Dominant wall friction:

$$|N_w| > |N_{ps}| \Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dx} > 0 \quad (N_w < 0)$$

(single stream with friction: $N_w < 0$, $N_{ps} = 0$)

Dominant friction between the streams:

$$|N_w| < |N_{ps}| \Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dx} < 0$$

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Numerical solution

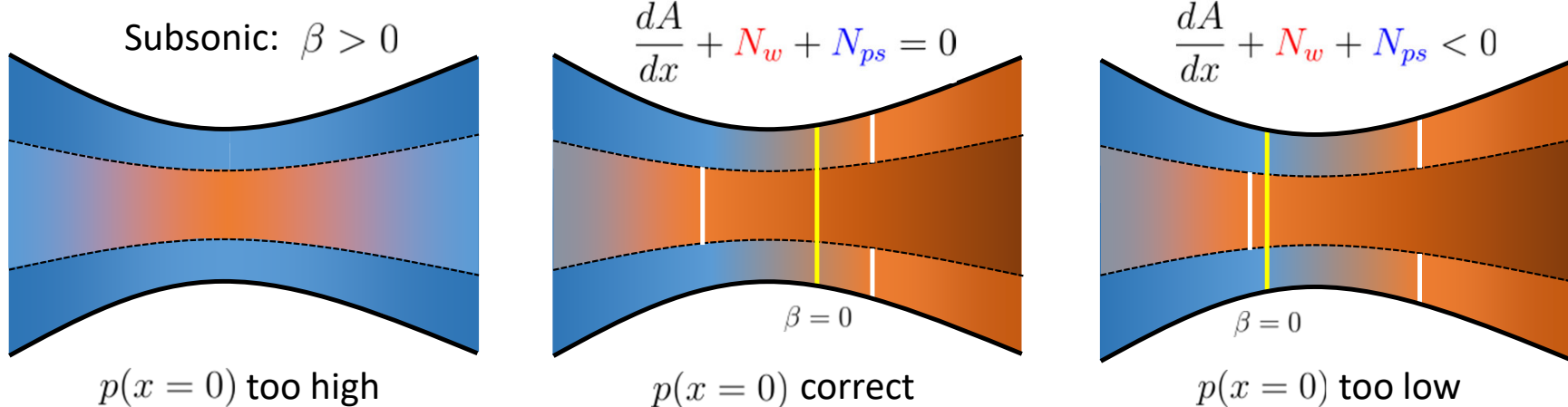
Set of ordinary differential equations in space:

$$\frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{dA}{dx} + N_w + N_{ps} \right) \quad \frac{1}{p_{t,i}} \frac{dp_{t,i}}{dx} = \frac{F_i}{pA_i} \quad \frac{dT_{t,i}}{dx} = 0 \quad \frac{dA_i}{dx} = \left(A_i \frac{1 - M_i^2}{\gamma M_i^2} \right) \frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx}$$

Boundary conditions:

$$[p_{t,p}, p_{t,s}, T_{t,p}, T_{t,s}, A_p, A_s] (x = 0) \quad p \text{ is the only unknown at the inlet!}$$

Solve with a shooting method:



The singularity of the pressure equation if $\beta = 0$ is avoided using Taylor expansions. [2]

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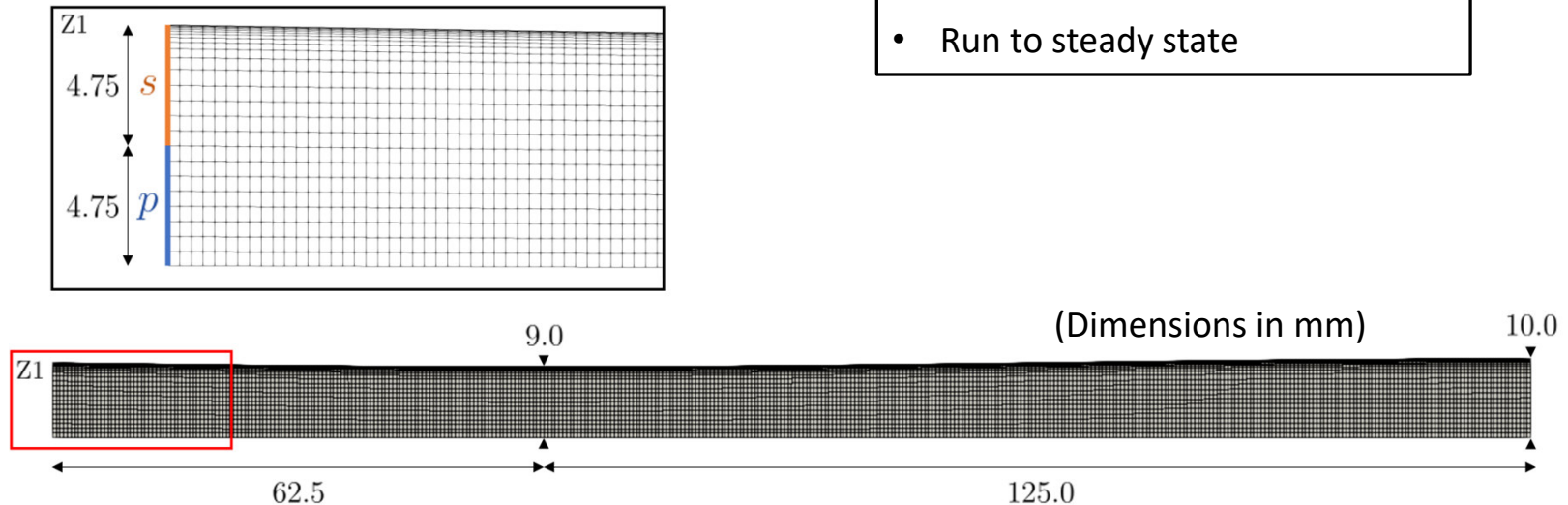
Axisymmetric RANS for comparison

Domain

- Cosine shaped between $[\pi/2, 2\pi]$
- Axisymmetric
- Structured mesh (Gmsh)
- Wall-resolved ($y^+ < 1$)

Solver

- rhoCentralFoam, OpenFoam v9
- k- ω SST turbulence model
- No swirl
- Second order in space
- First order in time
- Run to steady state



Axisymmetric RANS for comparison

Boundary conditions

Case	$p_{t,p}$ [bar]	p_p [bar]	$T_{t,p}$ [K]	$p_{t,s}$ [bar]	$T_{t,s}$ [K]	TI [%]	l_t [m]	Wall	Comments
1	3.0	1.2	300	1.5	300	n/a	n/a	slip	inviscid
2	3.0	1.2	300	1.5	300	1	$6.65 \cdot 10^{-4}$	slip	viscous
3	3.0	1.2	300	1.5	300	1	$6.65 \cdot 10^{-4}$	no-slip	viscous
Supersonic primary inlet $M_p = 1.2$			Subsonic secondary inlet		Wavetransmissive outlet		$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} F_w = 0 & F_{ps} = 0 \\ F_w = 0 & F_{ps} \neq 0 \\ F_w \neq 0 & F_{ps} \neq 0 \end{array} \right.$		

Post-processing

1. Dividing streamline from the mass flow rate: $\dot{m}_p(x) = \int_0^{r_d(x)} \rho(x, r) u(x, r) 2\pi r dr$
2. Averaging over the two cross-sections:

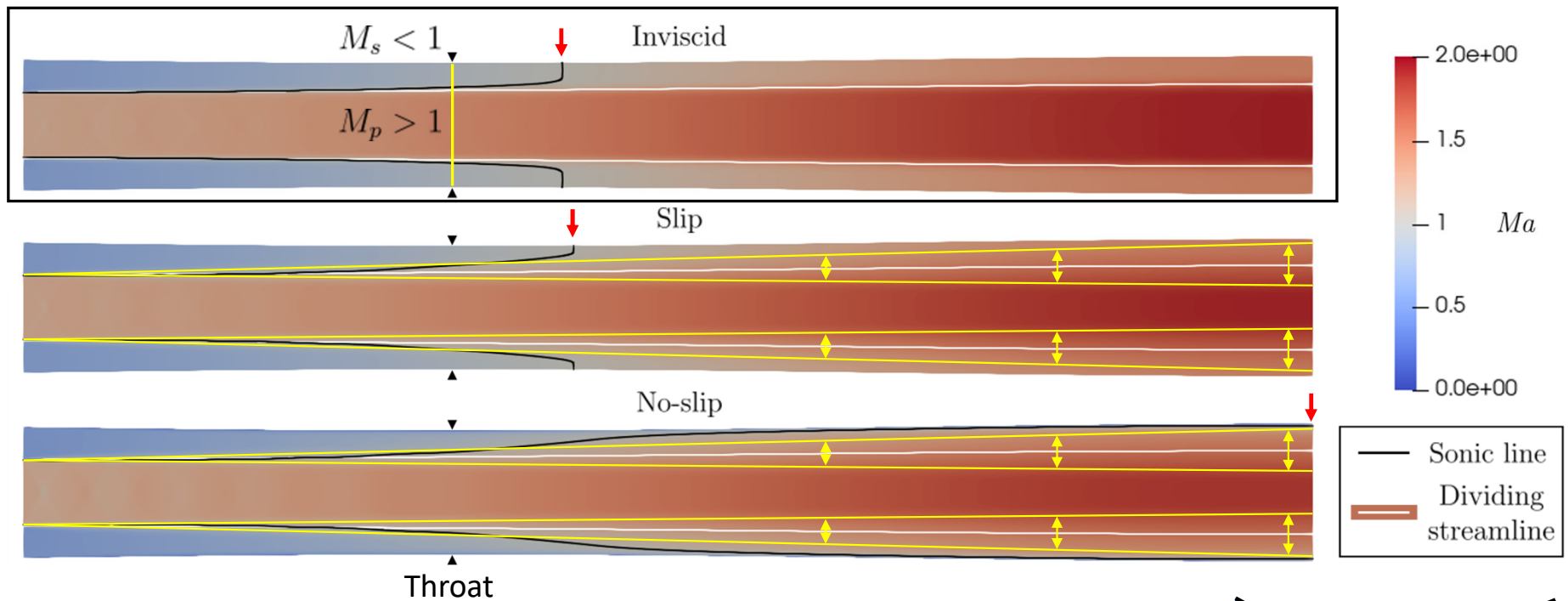
$$\hat{\rho}_i(x) = \frac{1}{A_i} \int_{A_i} \rho dA_i \quad \hat{u}_i(x) = \frac{1}{\hat{\rho}_i A_i} \int_{A_i} \rho u dA_i \quad \hat{e}_{t,i}(x) = \frac{1}{\hat{\rho}_i A_i} \int_{A_i} \rho e_t dA_i$$

3. Equivalent Mach number: $M_{eq} = \left(\gamma \frac{\beta}{A} + 1 \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ (unity if $\beta = 0$)

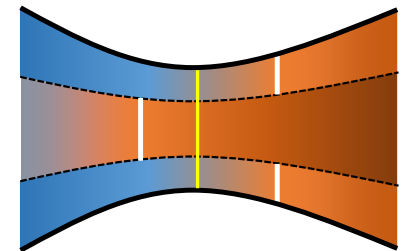
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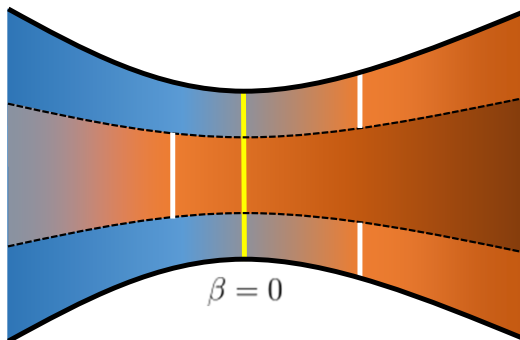
2D flow fields



- The flow field matches our qualitative prediction
- Developing shear layer in the viscous cases
- Developing boundary layer in the no-slip case

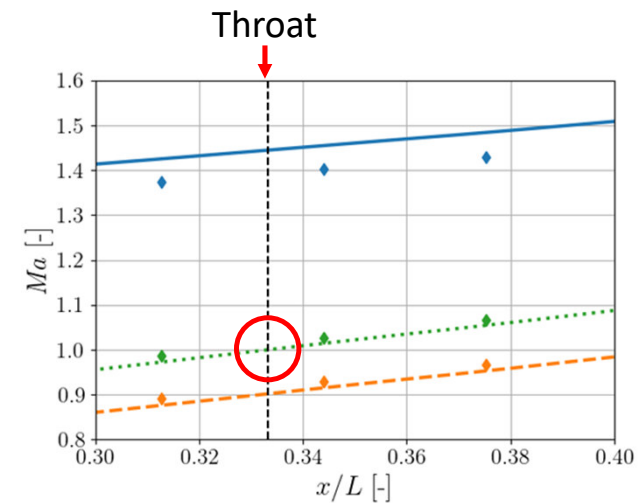
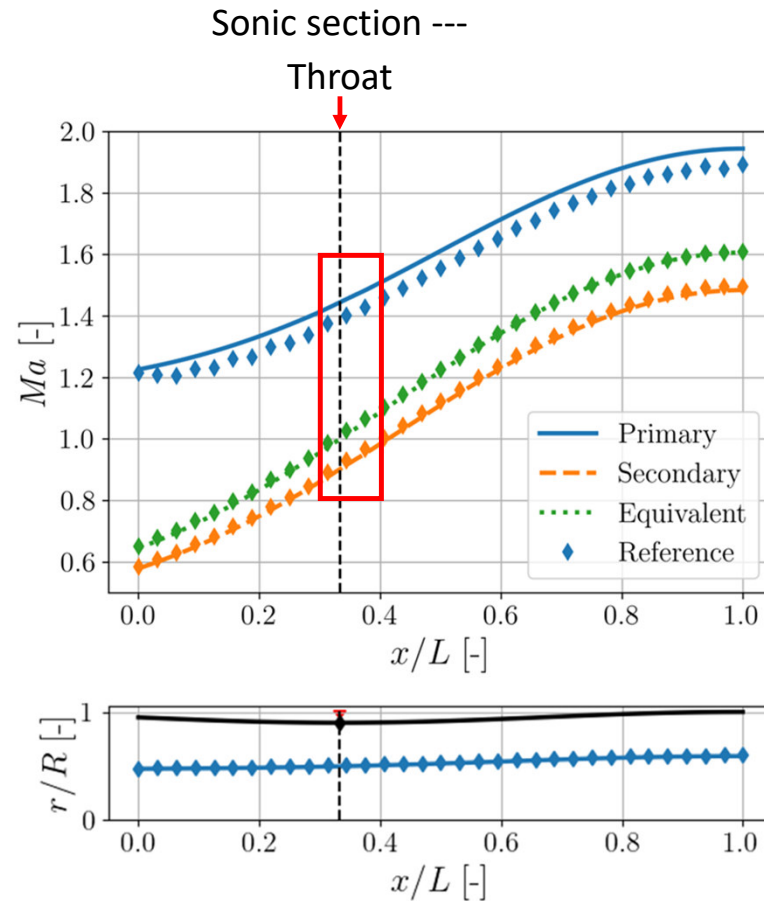


1D results: inviscid case



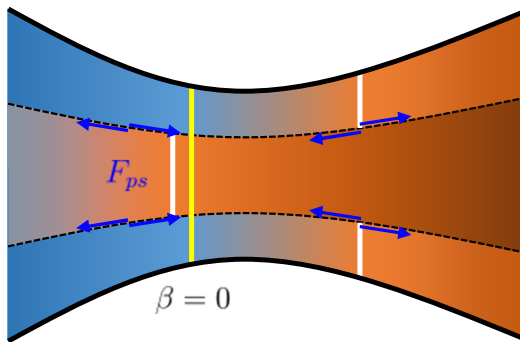
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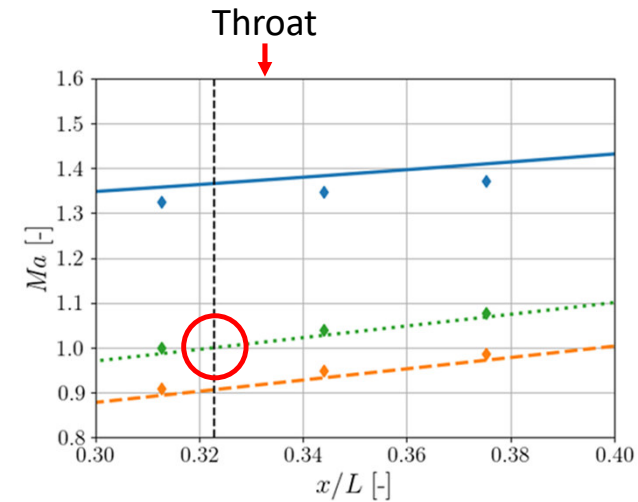
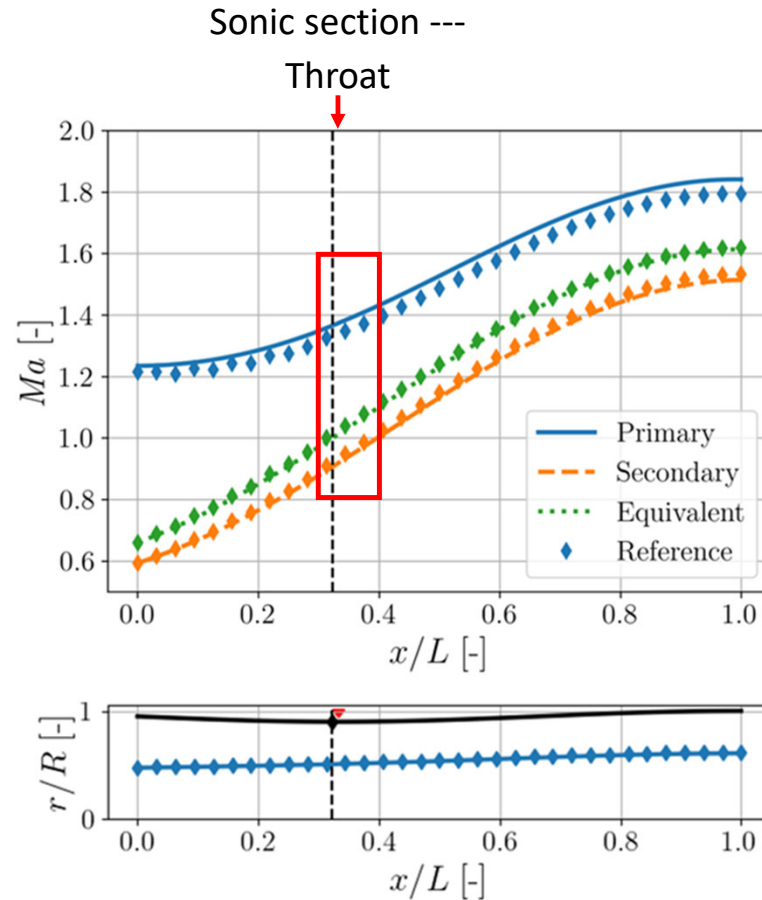
This confirms the classic isentropic compound choking theory. ^[3,4]

1D results: viscous case, slip condition



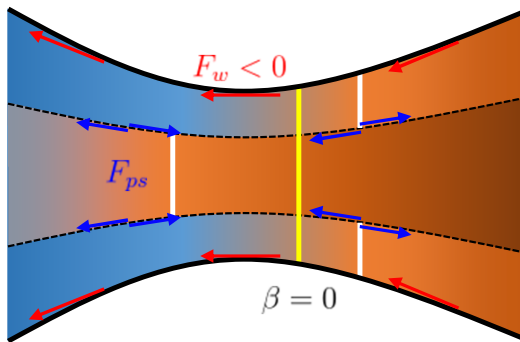
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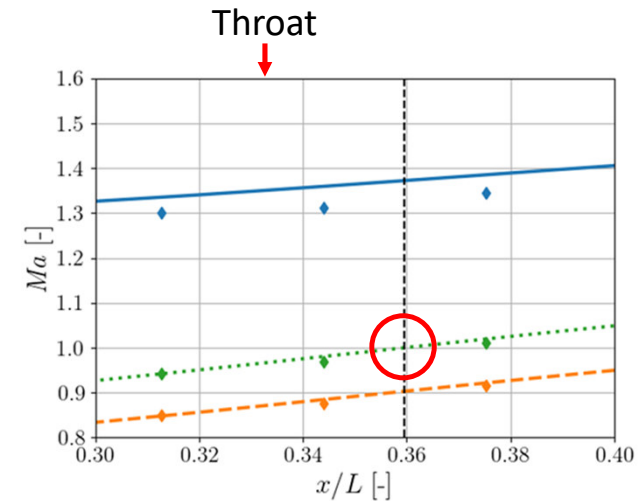
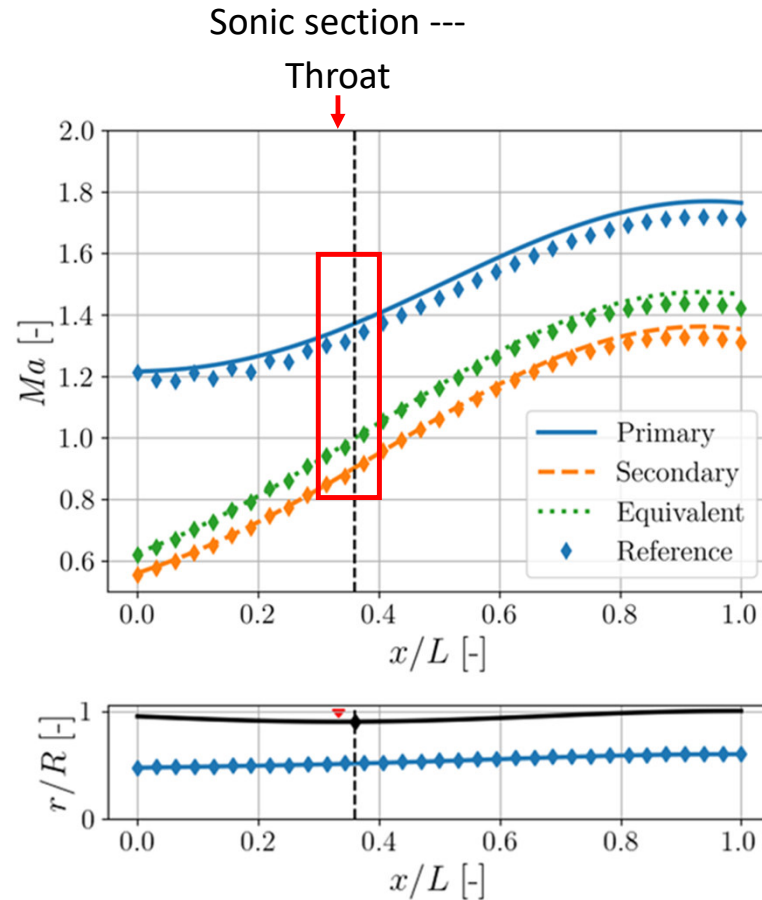
The sonic section moves upstream due to friction between the streams. [2,5]

1D results: viscous case, no-slip condition



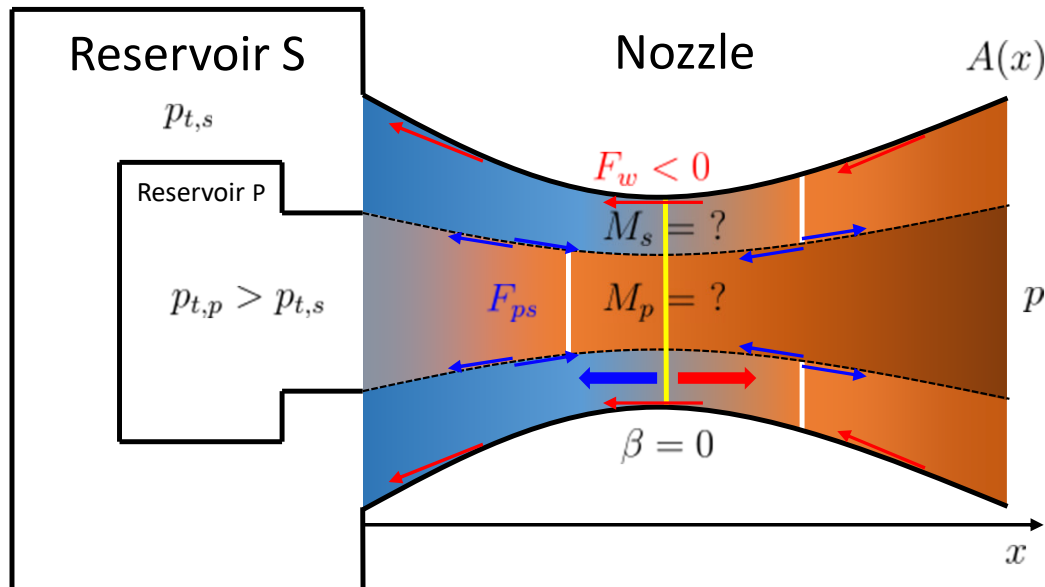
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The sonic section moves downstream due to friction at the wall. [2,6]

Conclusion



Can the streams and their choking be described with cross-stream averaged quantities (1D)?

- Uniform static pressure
- Inter-stream and wall friction

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{dA}{dx} + N_w + N_{ps} \right)$$

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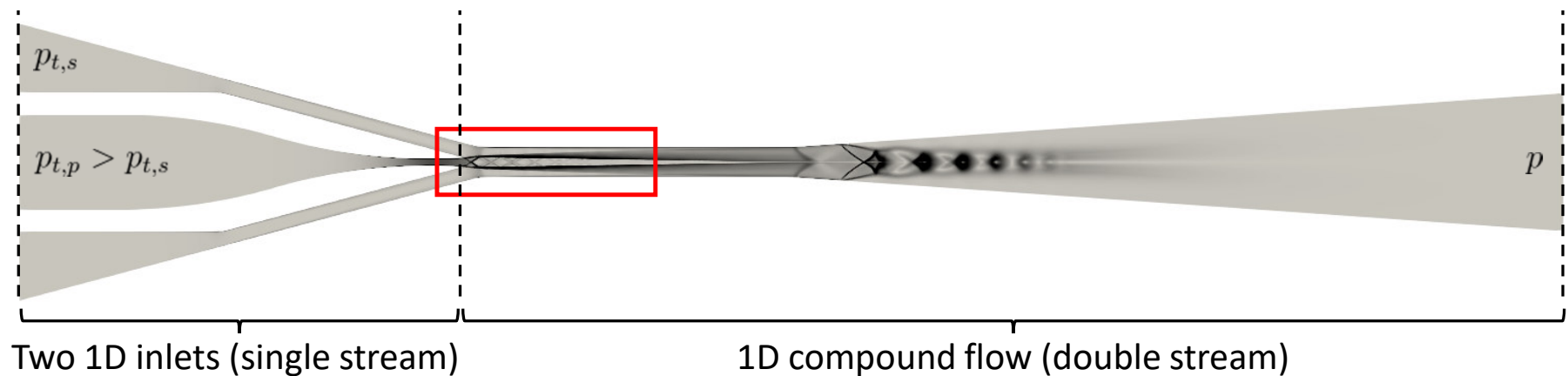
- Both streams are sonic
- A supersonic and a subsonic stream

Displacement of the sonic section

- Upstream due to F_{ps} (inter-stream)
- Downstream due to F_w (wall)

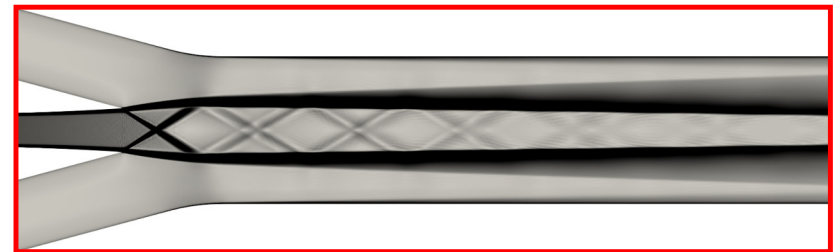
Ongoing work

Application to ejector modelling



Challenges:

- Shocks at the primary outlet and in the diffuser
- Calibration of the friction forces



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