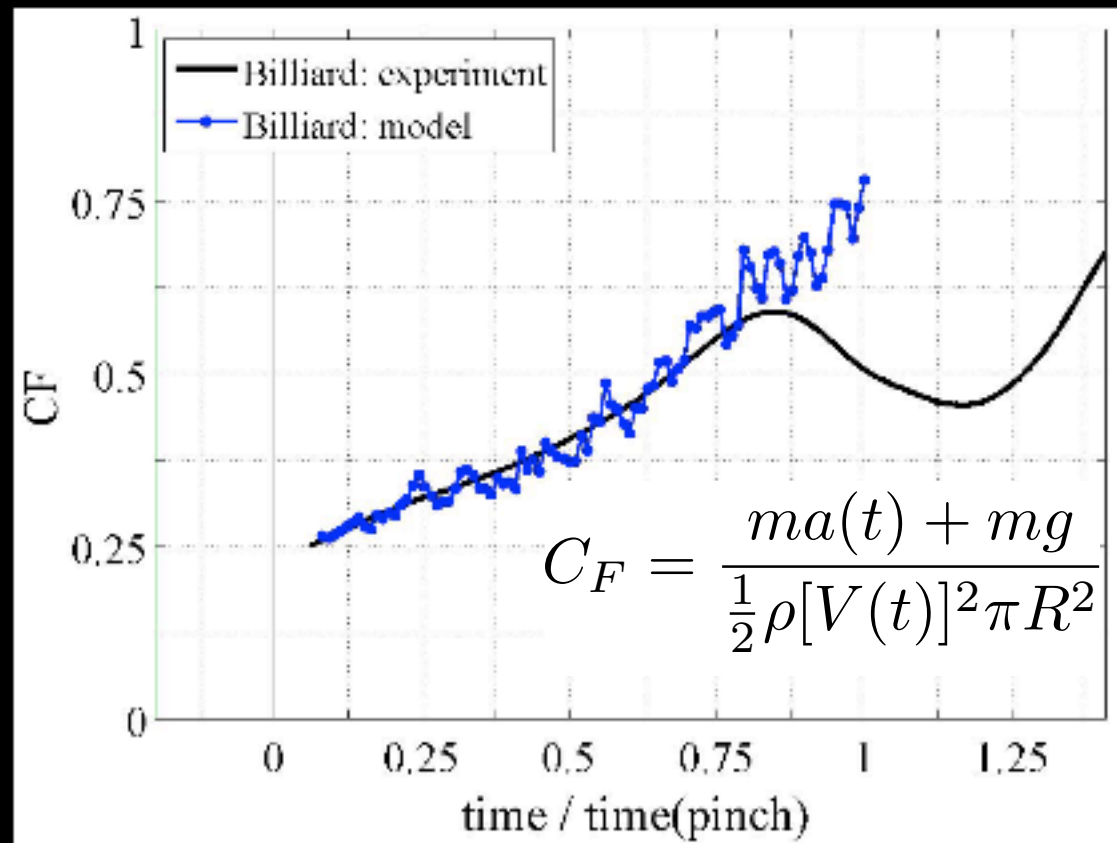


Evaluating derivatives of experimental data using smoothing splines

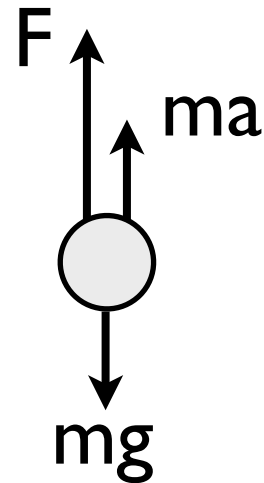


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force coefficient



$$F(t) = ma(t) + mg$$

$$C_F(t) = \frac{F(t)}{\frac{1}{2}\rho[V(t)]^2 A}$$

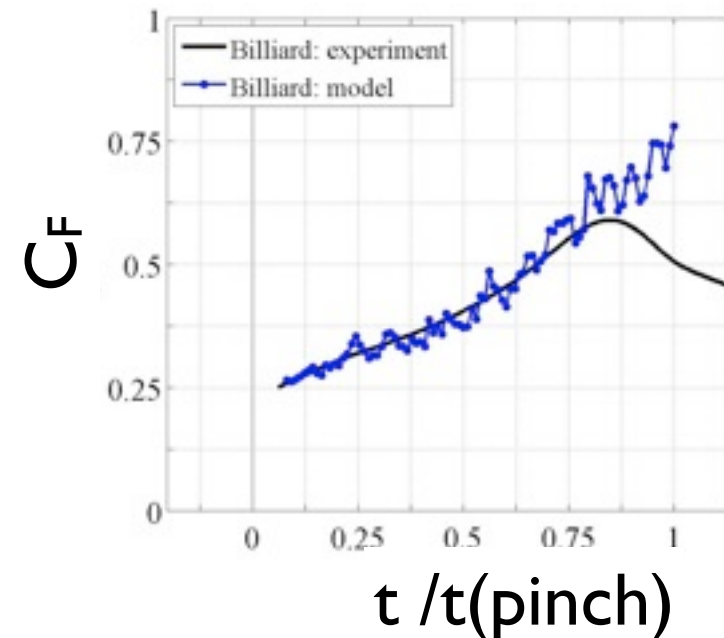
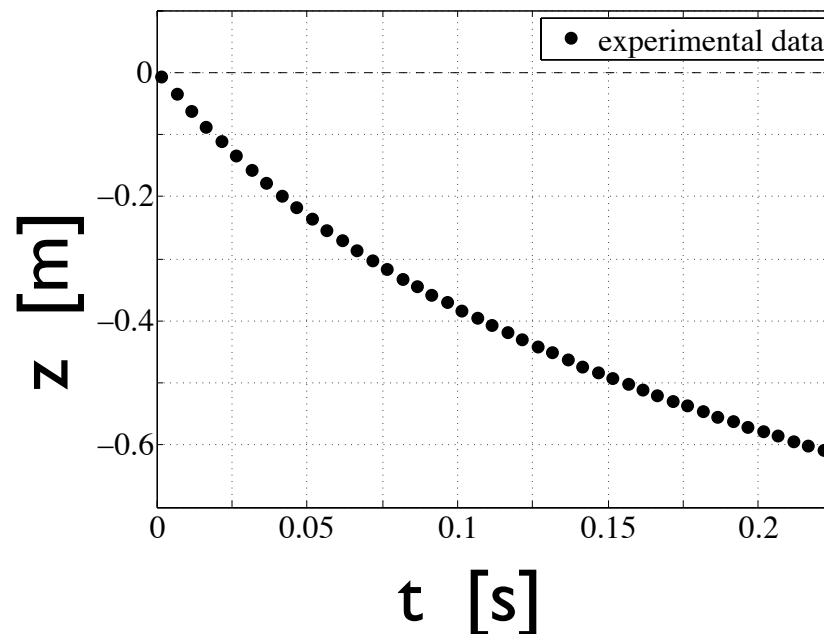
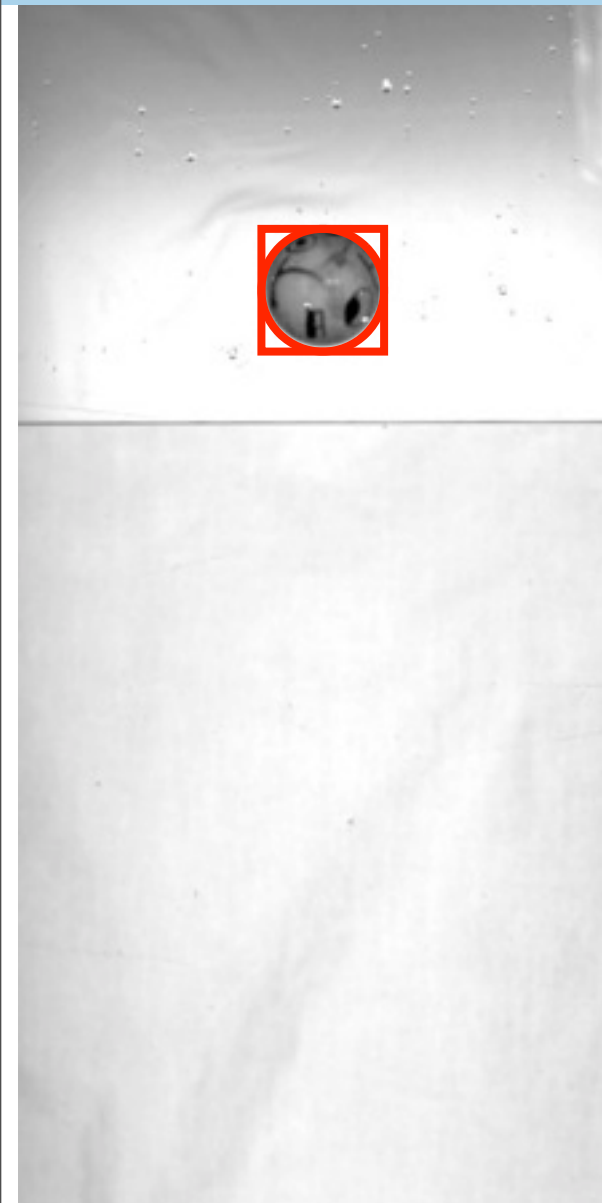
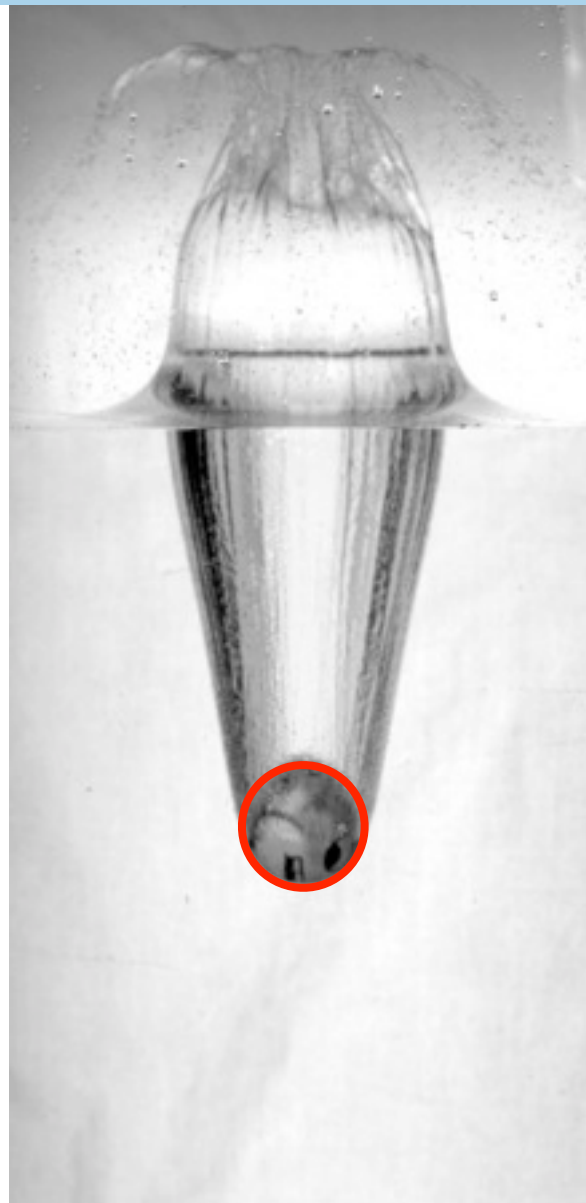


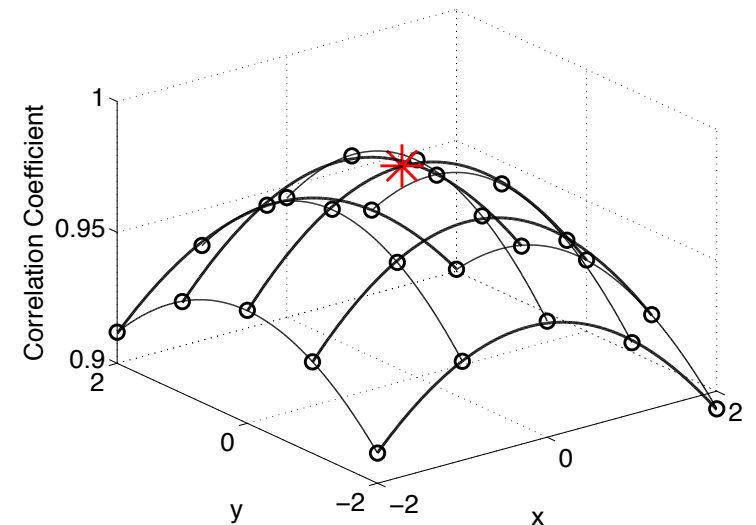
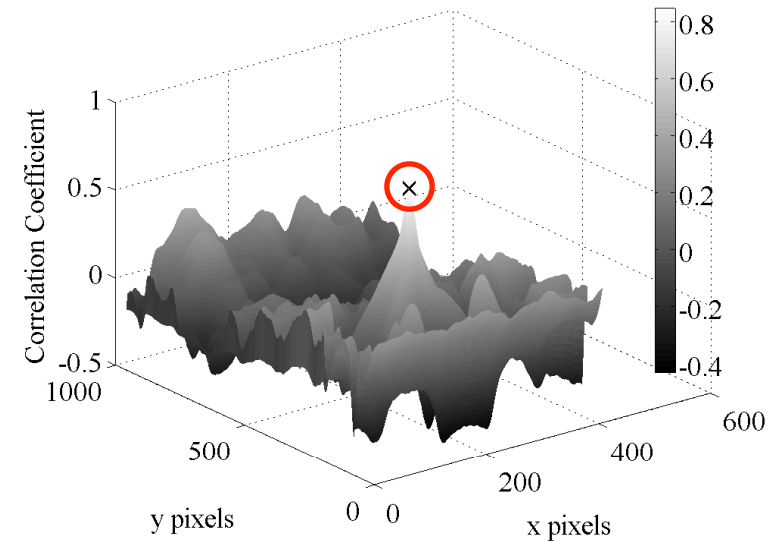
image processing



build template

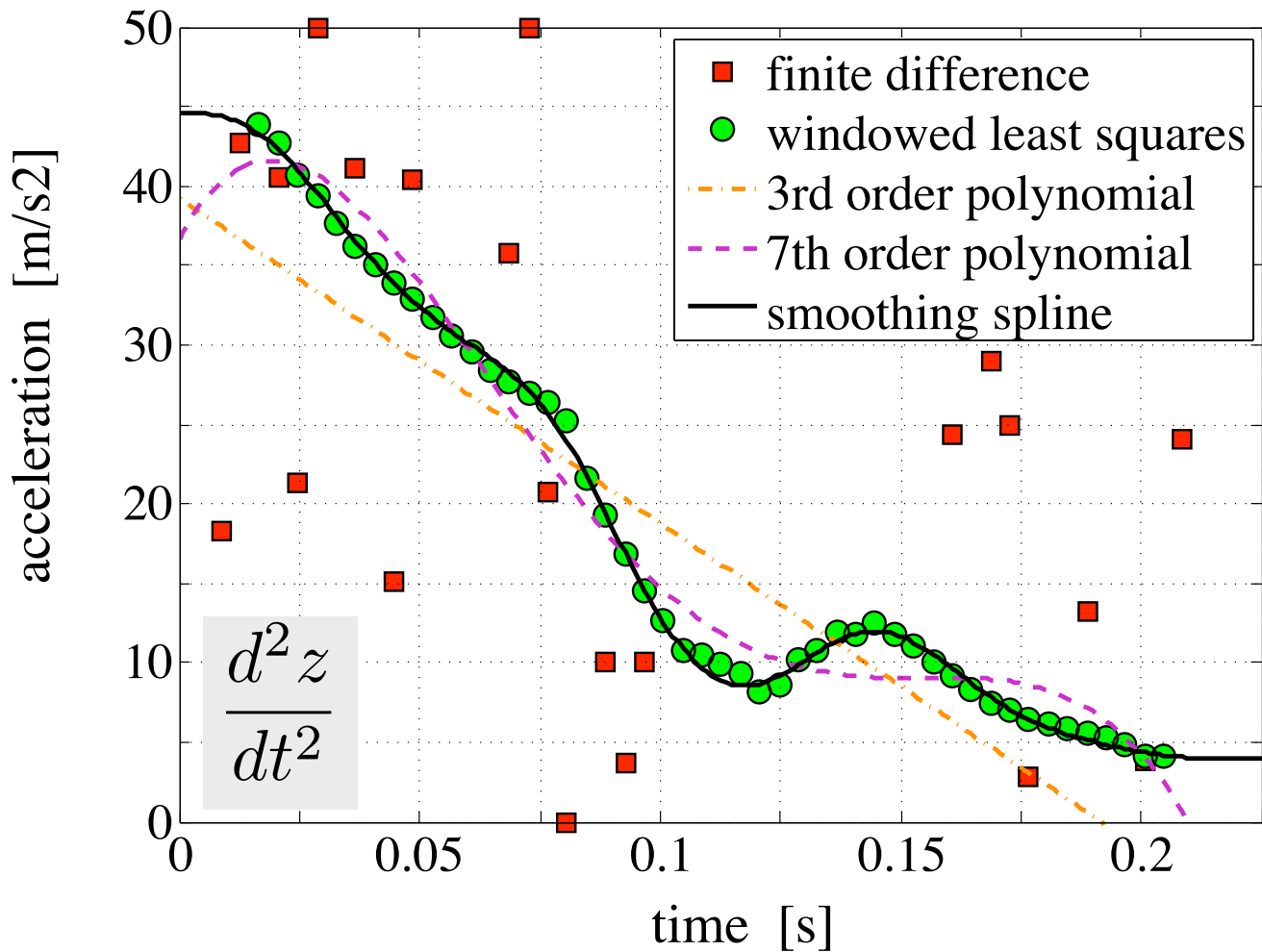
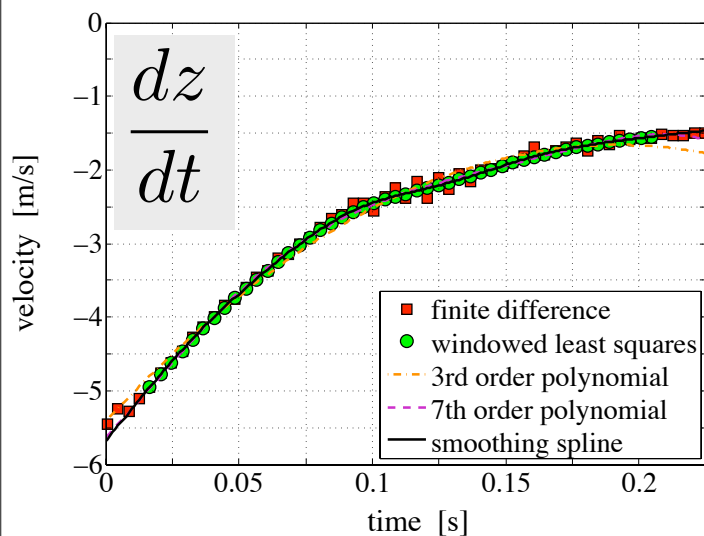
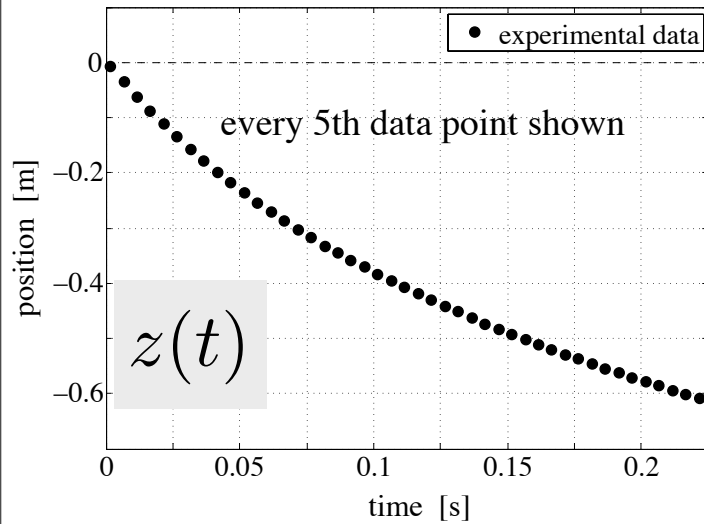


cross correlate



find sub-pixel position

derivatives of noisy data



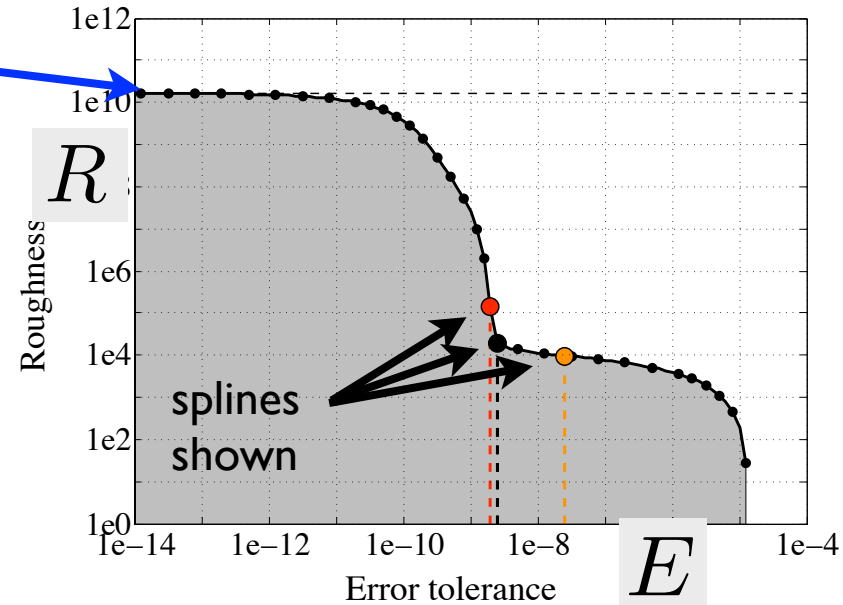
smoothing spline selection

Frontier of minimum-roughness splines

quintic spline: $s(t)$

$$\text{error: } \bar{E}(s) = \sum_{i=1}^N |\tilde{z}_i - s(t_i)|^2 \Delta t$$

$$\text{roughness: } R(s) = \int_{t_1}^{t_N} \left| \frac{d^3 s}{dt^3} \right|^2 dt$$

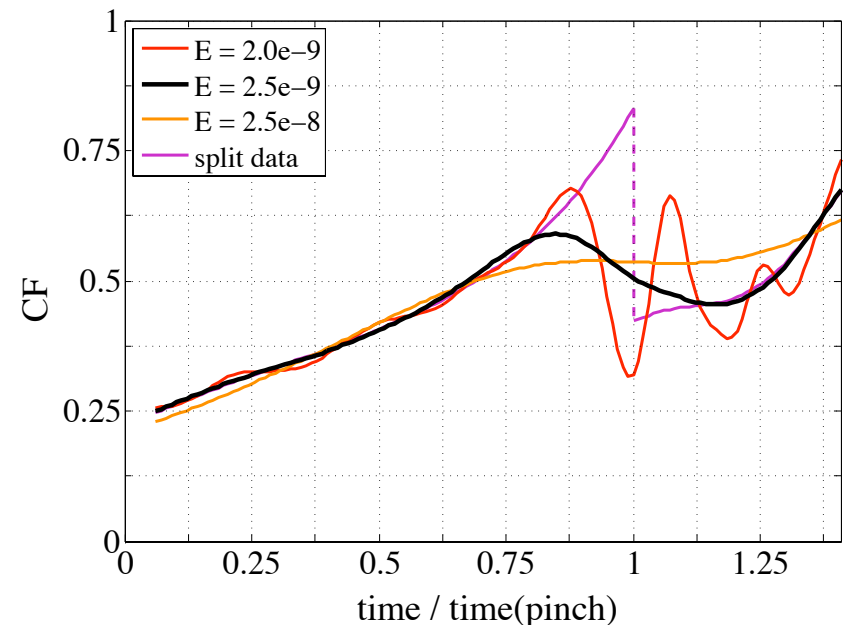


choose: $E \equiv$ error tolerance

best fit spline
for a given E : minimize $R(s)$
requiring $\bar{E}(s) \leq E$

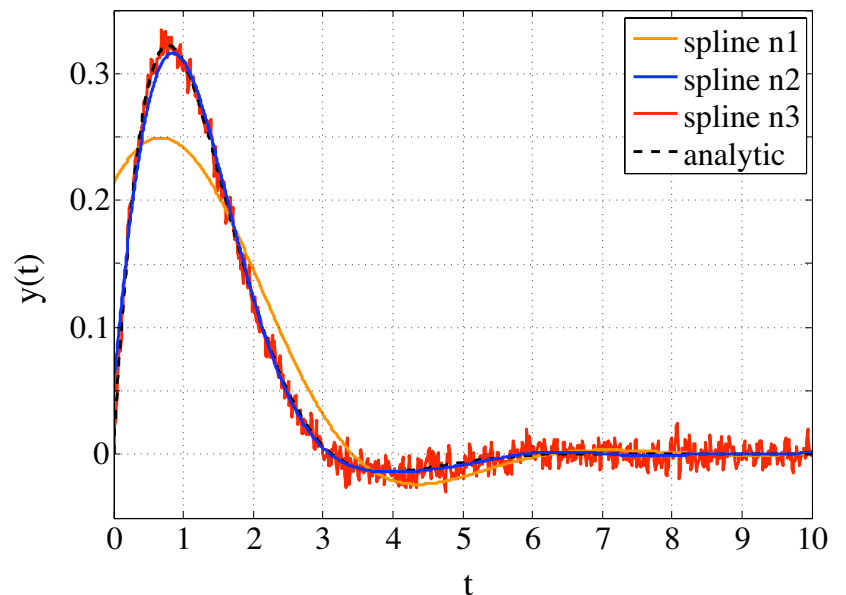
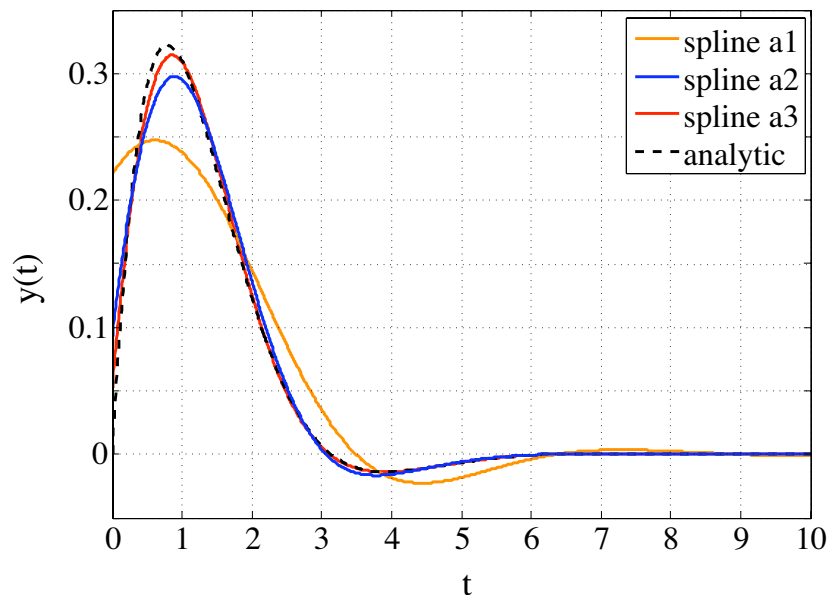
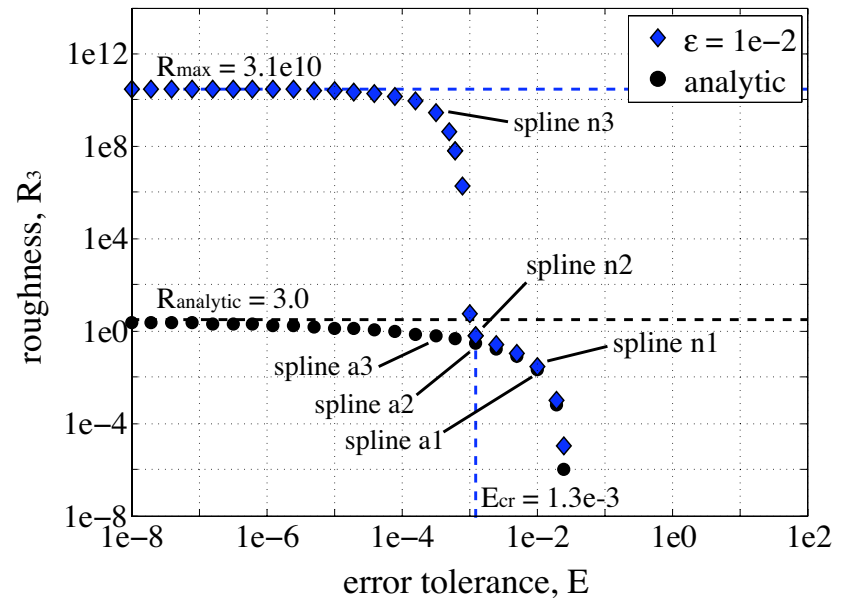
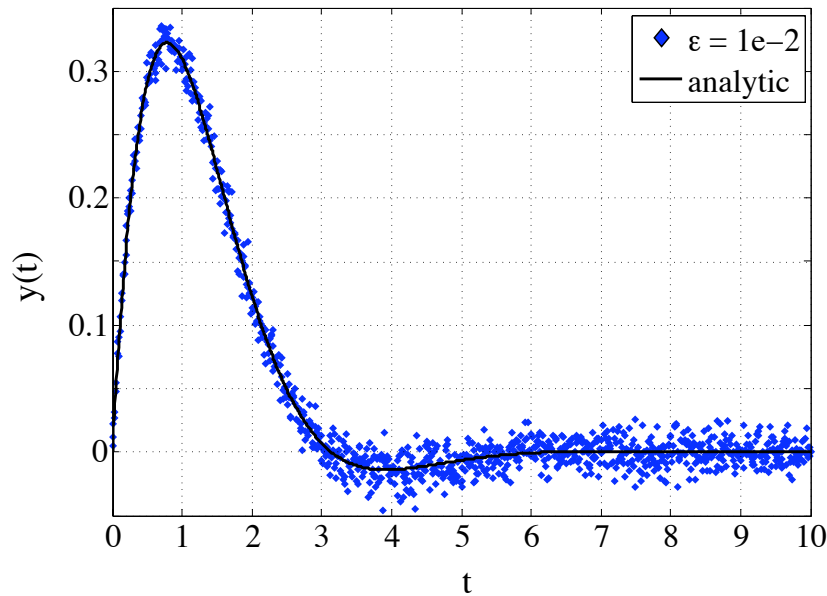
choose: $p \equiv$ smoothing parameter

best fit spline
for a given p : minimize $p\bar{E}(s) + (1-p)R(s)$



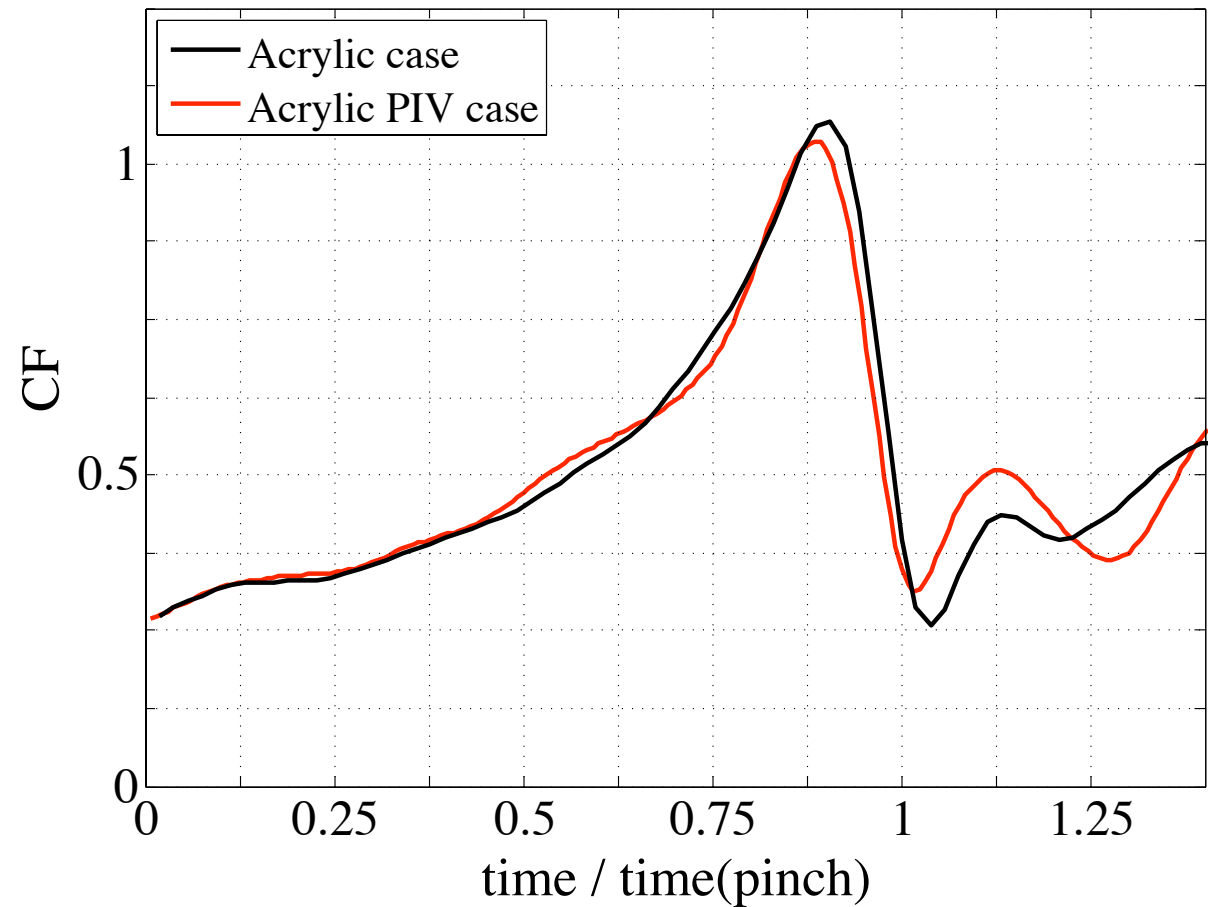
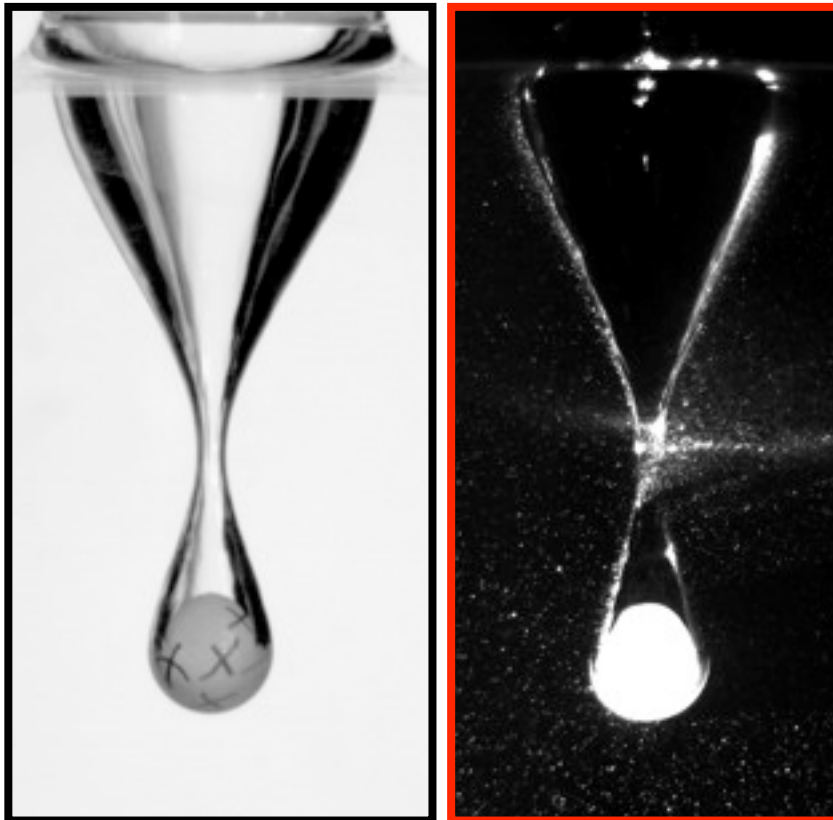
analytic example

$$\tilde{y}(t) = e^{-t} \cdot \sin(t) + \mathcal{N}(0, \epsilon^2)$$



repeatability

Comparison of two cases
with acrylic spheres:



physical model

given experimental data:

$$H(t), V(t), R_c(x, t)$$

assume potential flow:

$$\phi = \phi_{\text{doublet}} + \phi_{\text{ring sources}} + \phi_{\text{point source}}$$

find source strengths (in sphere frame):

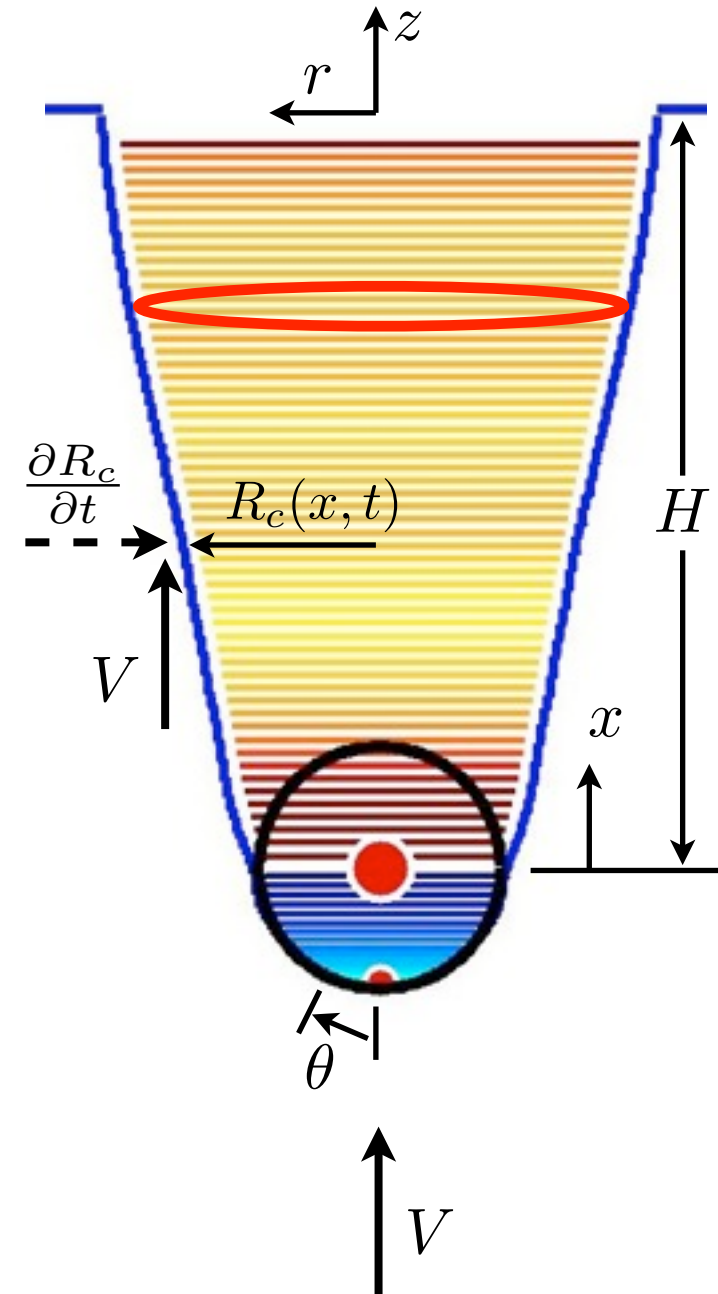
$$\vec{u} \cdot \hat{n} = \begin{cases} V \cos(\theta) & \text{on sphere} \\ \frac{\partial R_c}{\partial t} + V \frac{\partial R_c}{\partial x} & \text{on cavity} \end{cases}$$

evaluate pressure on surface (in lab frame):

$$p - p_a = -\rho \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{2} \rho |\vec{u}|^2 - \rho g z$$

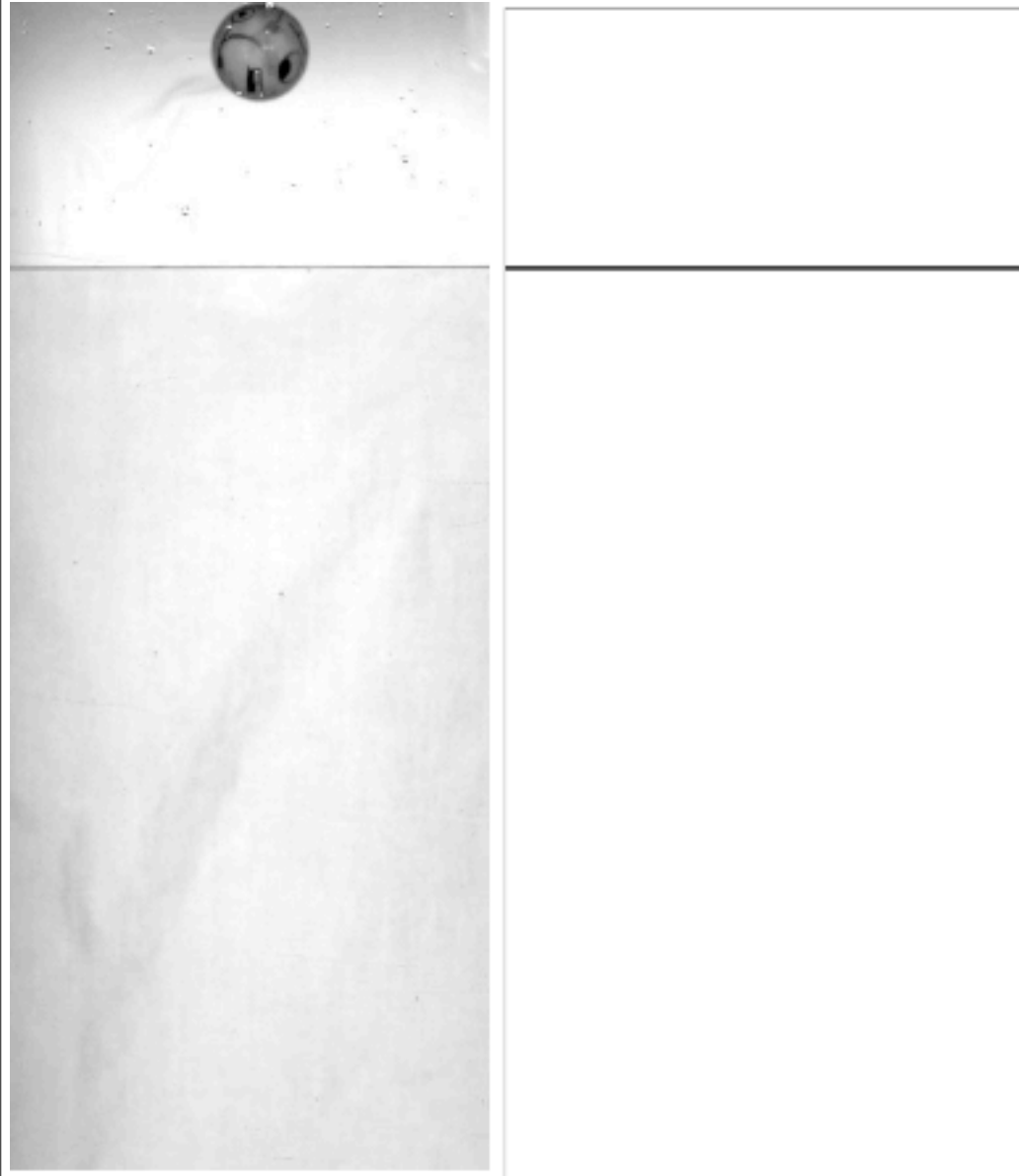
integrate to find force coefficients:

$$C_F = C_{F_u} + C_{F_b} + C_{F_h}$$



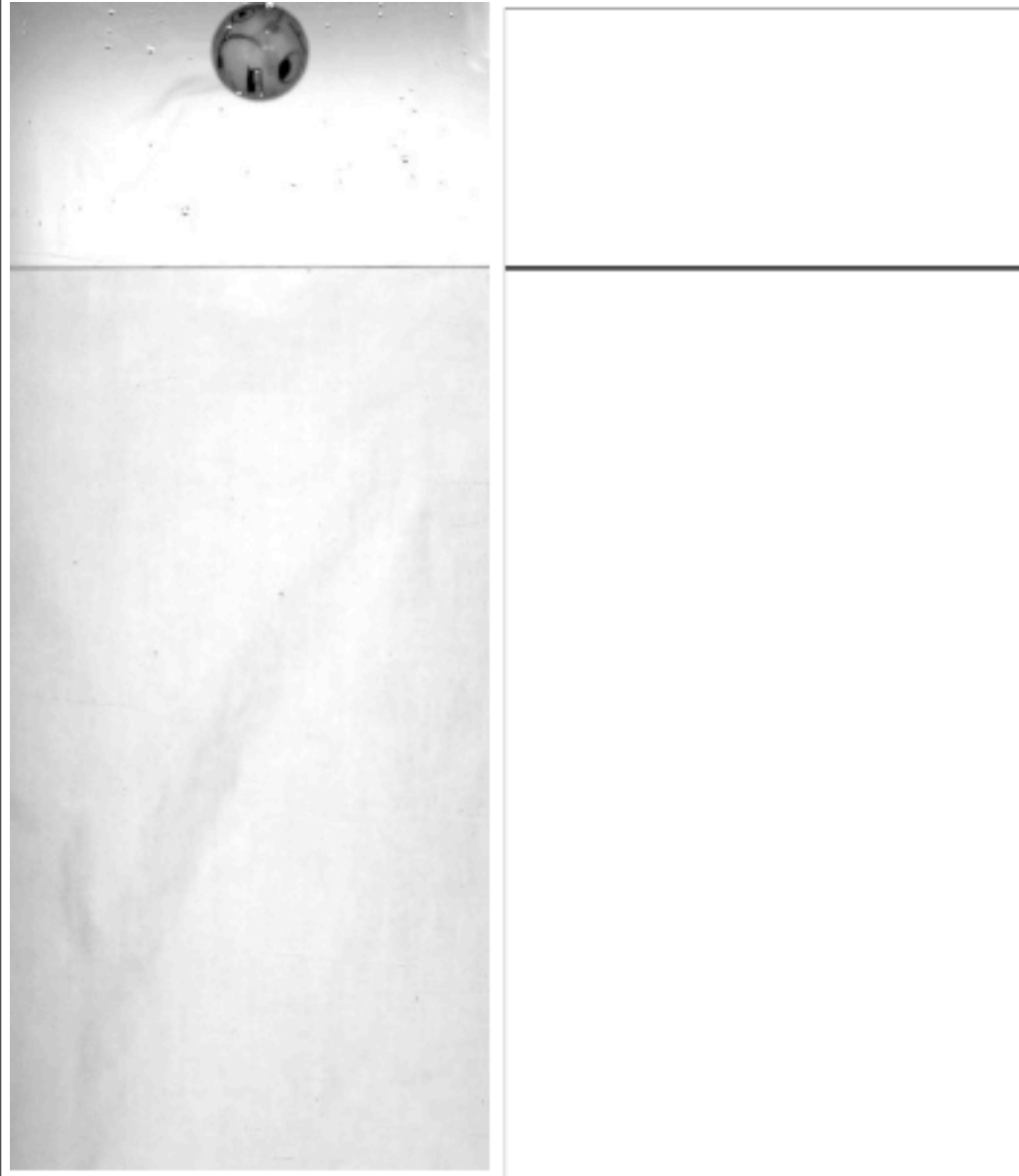
billiard ball case

billiard: $m^* = 1.8$

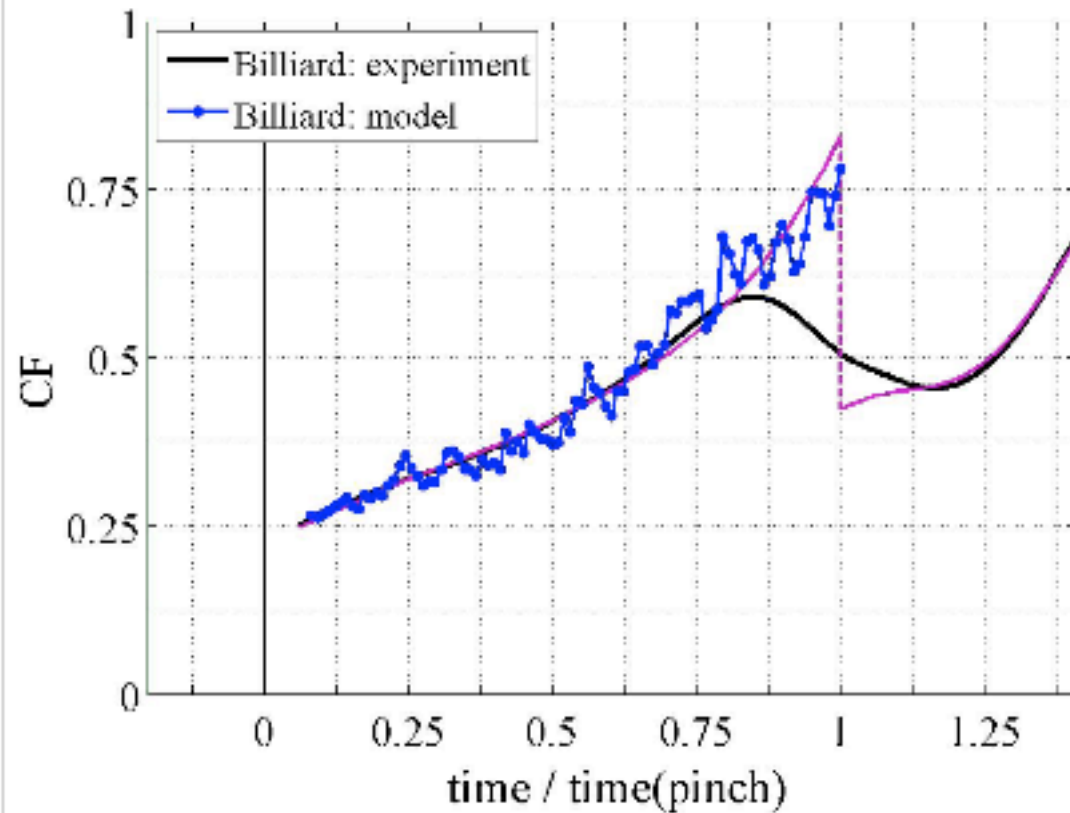


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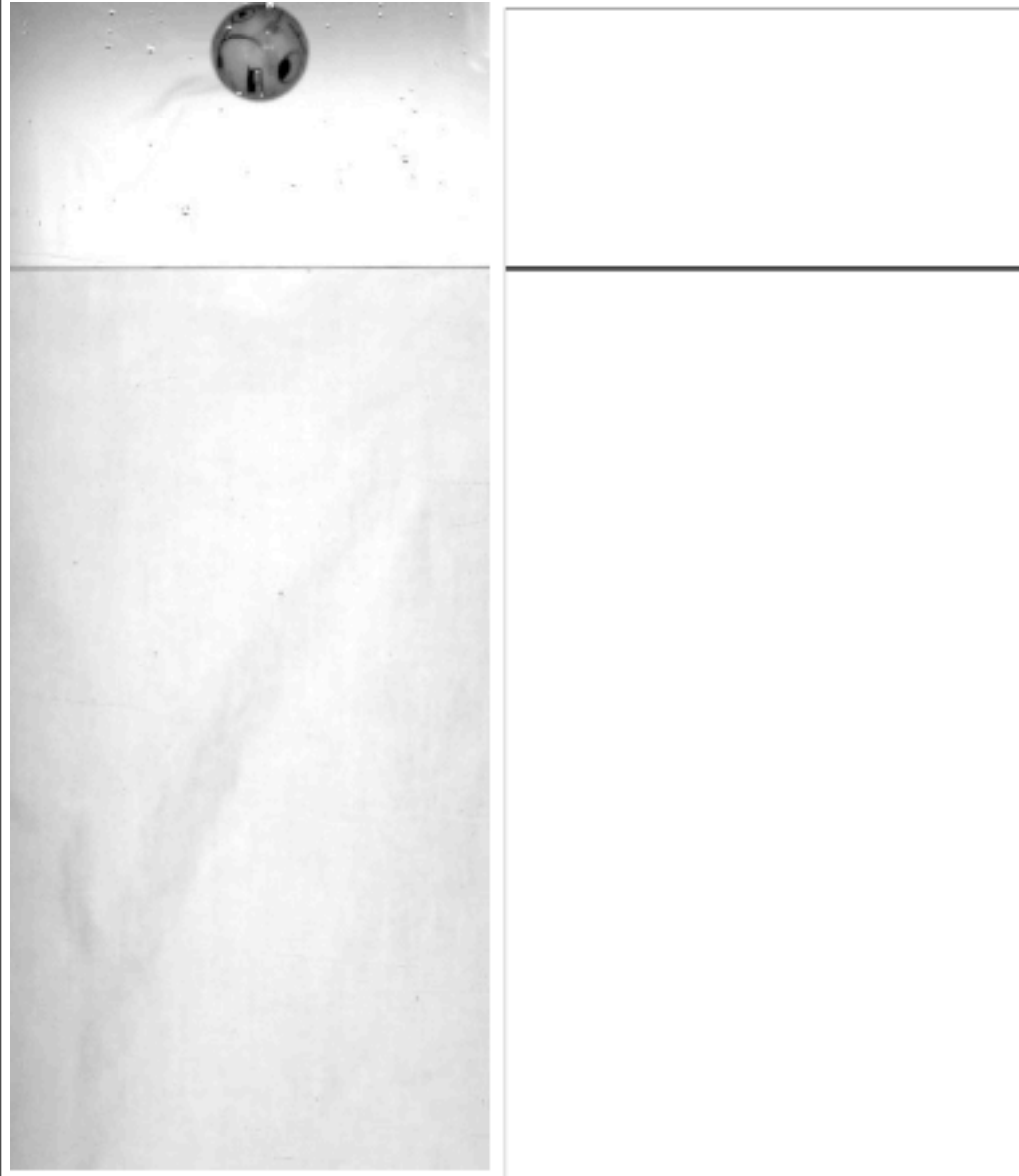


$$C_F = \frac{ma(t) + mg}{\frac{1}{2}\rho[V(t)]^2\pi R^2}$$

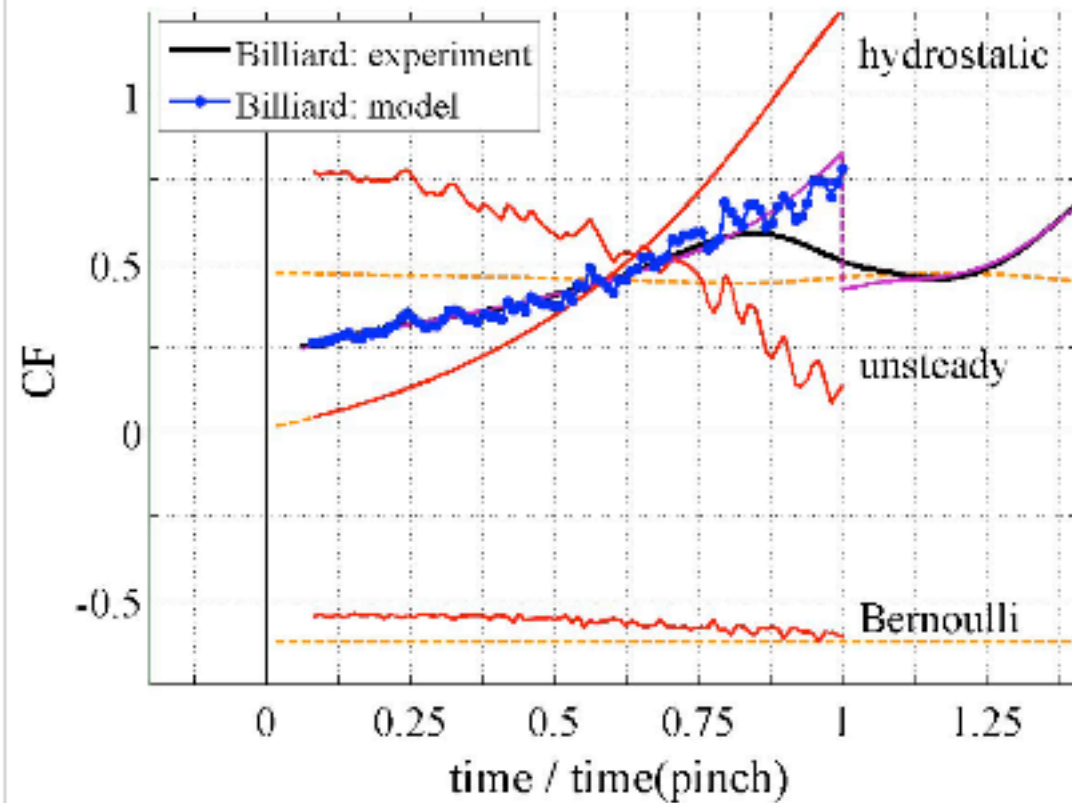


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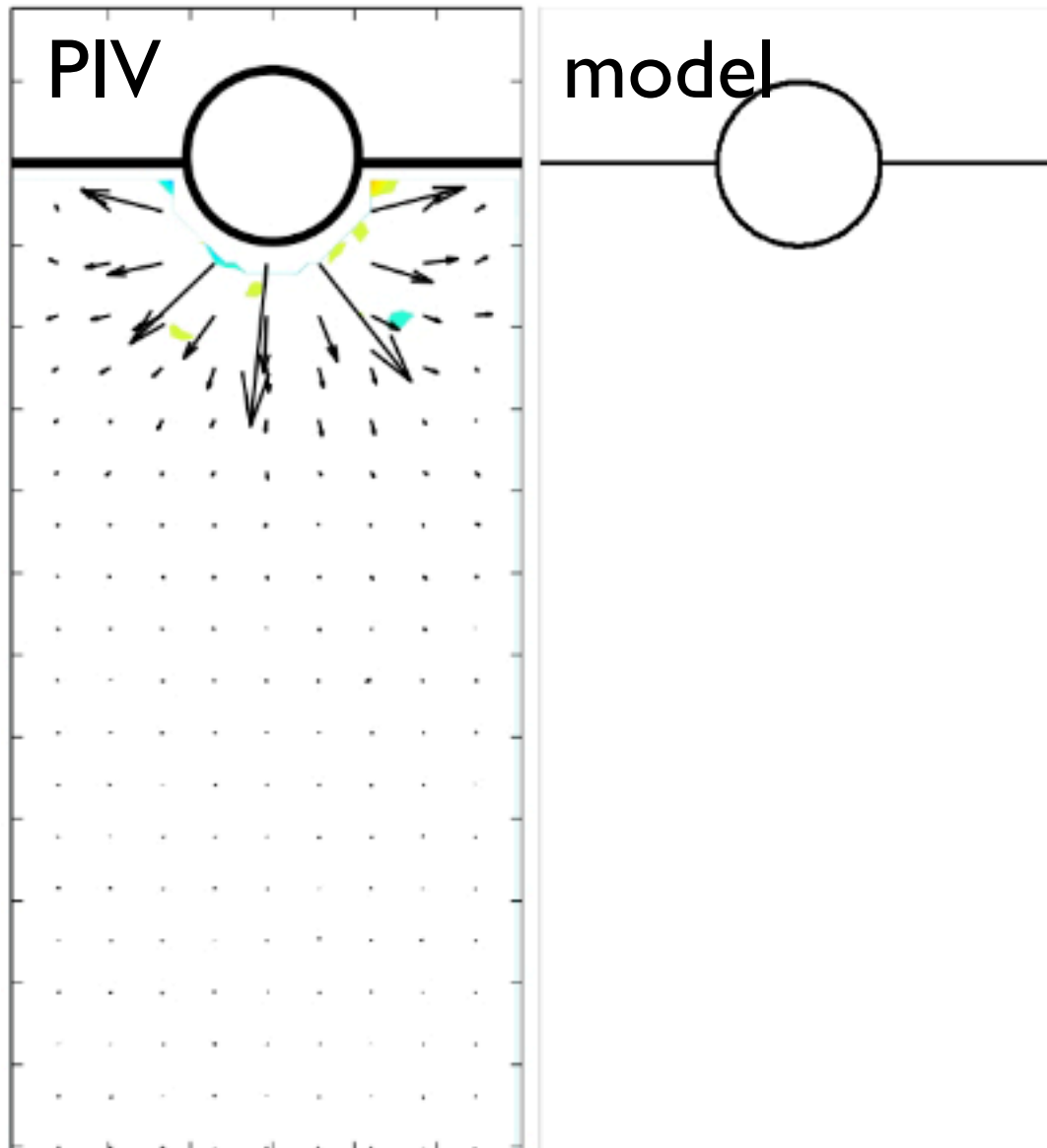


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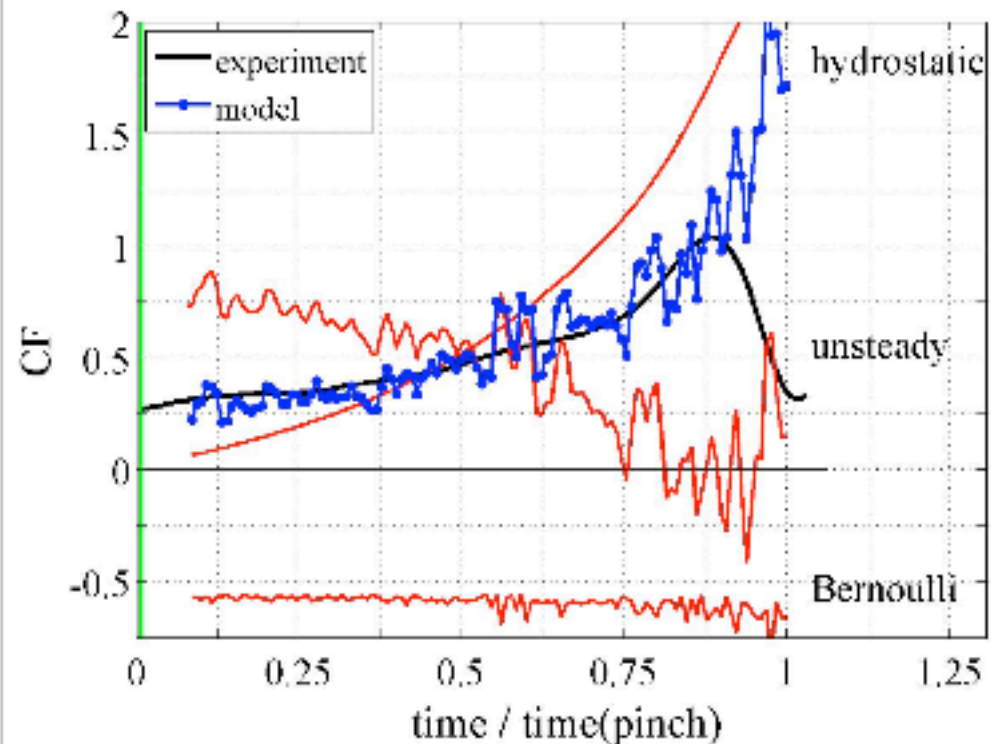


particle image velocimetry

acrylic: $m^* = 1.2$



$$C_F = \frac{ma(t) + mg}{\frac{1}{2}\rho[V(t)]^2\pi R^2}$$

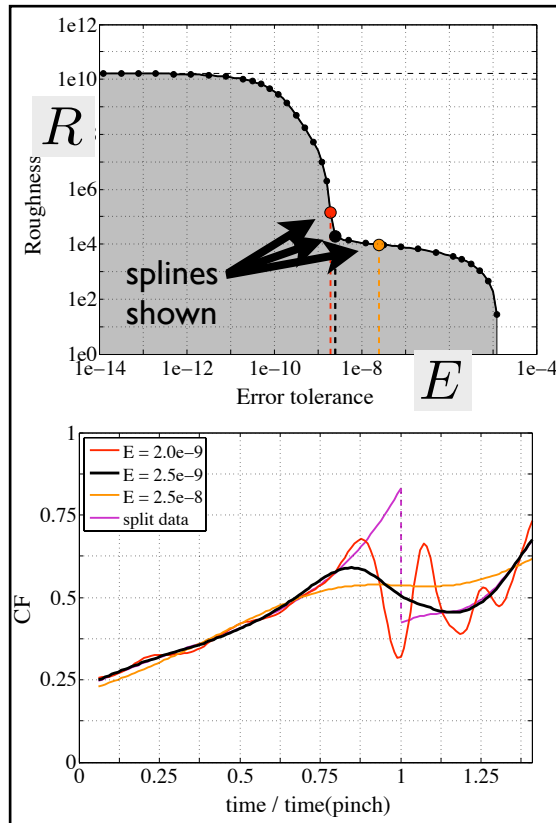


questions?

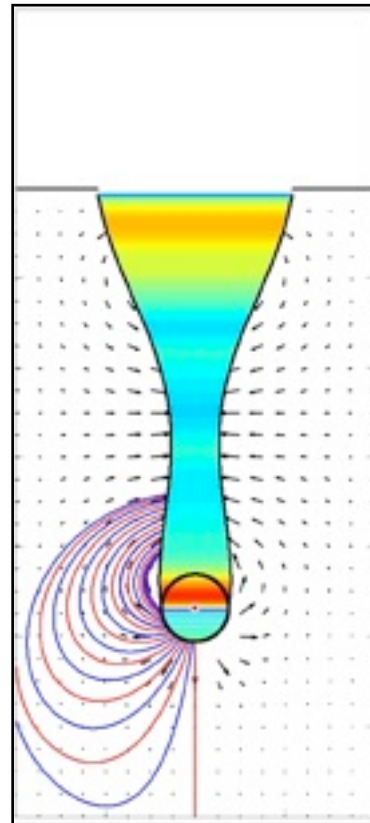
experiment



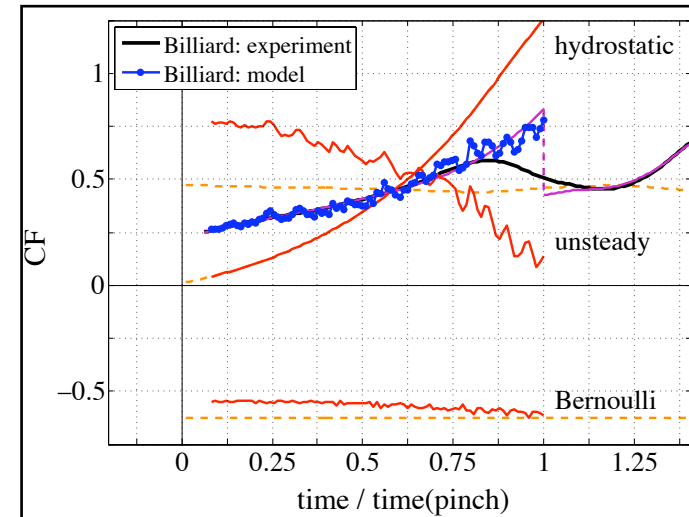
numerical method



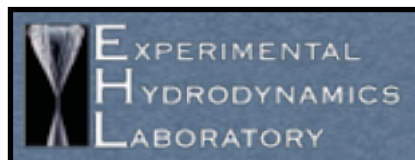
physical model



results



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