Novel Method and Experimental Validation of Statistical Calibration via Gaussianization in Hot-Wire Anemometry

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$$a_c = 20$$
 mm. U = 5,7,9 m/s. i.e., Re= $\frac{a_c U}{\nu}$ =6,400-11,500

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Wake statistical properties

$$\mu_X = \mathbf{E}[X(t)] \qquad \sigma_V = [\mathbf{E}(X - \mu_X)^2]^{0.5}$$

$$\gamma_1(X) = \mathbf{E}\left[(X - \mu_X)^3\right] / \sigma^3 \qquad \gamma_2(X) = \mathbf{E}\left[(X - \mu_X)^4\right] / \sigma^4$$

For Gaussian signal:
$$\gamma_1 = 0$$
 and $\gamma_2 = 3$

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Application of the method

$$x = 3.75a_c$$
, $y = 0.25a_c$, $z = -0.25a_c$



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Hot-Wire Anemometer



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Experimental Validation

- Tungsten wire (5 μ m diameter; 1 mm length).
- CTA configuration.
- Freestream (1 10 m/sec) of the wind tunnel; Pitot-static tube.



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Method of Gaussianization



Consider the random variable

a, b are determined by two calibration data points.

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Estimation Error between V and \hat{V}

 SE_i - local square error,

$$SE_i = [g(E_i) - \hat{g}(E_i)]^2, \ i = 1, ..., m,$$

$$E_l = min[E(t)], E_m = max[E(t)].$$

MSE-mean-squared error,

$$MSE = \frac{1}{m-l+1} \sum_{i=l}^{m} SE_i.$$

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Estimation Error between V and \hat{V} Re=6,400 (U= 5 m/s)





Estimation Error between V and \hat{V} Re=8,900 (U= 7 m/s)





Estimation Error between V and \hat{V} Re=11,500 (U= 9 m/s)

