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A SHEAR FLOW

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## ABSTRACT

An experimental investigation of a flow field resulting from the interaction between a spreading turbulent wall jet on a smooth surface and a shear flow was conducted. The combined flow was formed by a downward circular jet penetrating perpendicularly a moving shear stream confined within a constant-area open channel. A hot-wire survey of mean velocity and turbulence intensity was carried out.

A similar variation of mean velocity was found to exist on either side of the axis of the impinging jet, provided that appropriate characteristic scales were used. Similarity was obtained by dividing the flow into an inner and an outer layer, and by subdividing the latter into two zones of equal thickness. This partition into three distinct regions was deduced from the velocity change with height and, particularly, from the existence of a local characteristic maximum velocity. Within each region, velocity and length scales were formulated. The former was defined in terms of the local maximum velocity for the inner layer. In the two zones of the outer layer the velocity scales were defined in terms of the zonal maximum excess velocities. The excess velocity was computed with respect to the local free-stream velocity characteristic to this flow. In all three regions, the thicknesses of the layers were utilized as the length scale. The similarity in mean velocity variation is corroborated by the computed constant values of the shape factor for each particular region of the flow.

The use of analogous scales led to similarity in the change of mean energy. Furthermore, it was found that the turbulence intensity variation exhibited similarity when the same scales used for the velocity were employed.

## LIST OF SYMBOLS

A	constant of proportionality
a,b	wall-jet similarity exponents
B	half-width of shear flow channel
d	hot-wire diameter
E	actual voltage drop across the hot-wire placed in a flow; Eq. (4.1)
$E_0$	voltage drop across the hot-wire placed in still air; Eq. (4.1)
E	total longitudinal kinetic energy per unit mass and per unit area of flow; Eq. (5.1)
E	mean local kinetic energy per unit mass; Eq. (5.15)
$\Delta E$	mean local excess kinetic energy; Eqs. (5.16) and (5.17)
e	fluctuating voltage
H	shape factor
h	jet orifice distance from the flat surface
l	hot-wire length
n	exponent
R	jet orifice radius
$Re_\delta$	Reynolds number based on boundary-layer thickness
$Re_x$	Reynolds number based on downstream distance
$T_u$	longitudinal turbulence intensity
U	mean velocity along x-axis
$U_m$	maximum velocity corresponding to height $\delta_m$
$U_0$	free-stream velocity
$U_1$	mean velocity corresponding to height $\delta_1$
$U_2$	mean velocity corresponding to height $\delta_2$

$\Delta U$	excess velocity defined by Eq. (5.2)
$\Delta U_m$	maximum excess velocity defined by Eq. (5.3)
$\Delta U_1$	excess velocity in Zone II defined by Eq. (5.4)
$u$	fluctuating velocity in the x-direction
$V$	mean velocity along y-axis
$W_0$	jet efflux velocity
$W$	mean velocity along z-axis
$x, y, z$	cartesian coordinates
$\alpha$	wall-jet similarity parameter
$\Delta$	displacement thickness
$\delta$	boundary-layer thickness
$\delta_m$	inner-layer thickness
$\delta_t$	outer-layer thickness (characteristic jet thickness or jet width)
$\delta_1$	height corresponding to the outer edge of Zone I
$\delta_2$	total boundary-layer thickness
$\zeta$	dimensionless excess height in outer layer
$\theta$	momentum thickness
$\nu$	kinematic viscosity
$\rho$	density
$\psi$	dimensionless excess velocity in outer layer

#### Superscripts

*	means "having dimensions"
—	means time-averaged

#### Subscripts

c	combined flow
i, k, l	indices

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j	wall jet
m	inner layer
s	shear flow
rms	root-mean-square
1	Zone I
2	Zone II

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The interaction of a turbulent jet with a shear flow exhibits numerous interesting flow features and has many practical applications. Besides causing significant variations of the mean velocity of both flows, the interaction produces large-scale eddies, high levels of turbulence and, often, flow reversals. In the atmosphere, interaction of low level jet streams with the atmospheric boundary layer results in strongly perturbed wind profiles. Changes in wind variation affect the maneuverability of aircraft, missile launching, parachute deployment of men and materials, entrainment of debris, jet blasting and so forth. Operation of V/STOL aircrafts and Ground Effect Machines (GEM) represent further examples of disruption of the atmospheric boundary layer by jets. In addition, jet-shear flow interaction has important applications in film cooling, impingement cooling, mixing of two fluid streams and boundary-layer control.

An axisymmetric turbulent jet penetrating perpendicularly a plane shear flow is, inherently, a more complex problem than that of a jet entering a quiescent medium or interacting with a uniform velocity stream. A jet normally impinging on a shear flow produces high rates of mixing between the two flows. The resultant exchange of momentum causes the deflection of the jet axis, the distortion of jet shape to a horse-shoe configuration and development of a complex mixing layer around the jet.

Flow patterns of a turbulent wall jet have been investigated to a considerable extent in the recent past. A comprehensive list of background literature on the subject is compiled in Reference 1. The problem of the turbulent wall jet was studied theoretically by Glauert [2]. This study is based on similarity approach. Based on physical

reasoning, it was found that the entire wall-jet flow cannot comply with one overall similarity solution. Consequently, the flow was divided into two regions, i.e., the inner and outer region. The boundary between these two regions is determined by the height of the local maximum velocity where the shear stress is assumed to be zero. A dimensionless velocity profile for the entire flow was obtained, based on a single similarity parameter. This parameter is not constant but depends on the local Reynolds number and varies with the radial distance. However, its variation is very small and, consequently, the resultant velocity field is approximately similar. Measurements presented in References 3, 4, 5 and 6 are in reasonable agreement with Glauert's similarity solution. Recently, it was found that the turbulent shear stress does not vanish at the point of the zero velocity gradient [6]. This result, nonetheless, does not affect the similarity of the velocity profiles.

Experimental investigations of a plane turbulent wall jet interacting with a constant velocity stream are reported in References 7 and 8. Experimental similitude was obtained in both inner and outer layers of the wall jet for mean velocity, turbulent intensity and shear stress distributions. Different characteristic length and velocity scales were employed for these two layers also. In these investigations the wall jet was tangentially injected through a wall slot.

## 2. OBJECTIVE

The purpose of the present investigation was to study experimentally the flow of a turbulent jet penetrating normally a shear flow. The work sought mainly to obtain similar velocity variation for the resulting interacting flow employing appropriate similarity scales for the various layers of the flow field.

An apparatus capable of providing a controlled wall jet and shear flow had to be constructed. The experimental program was carried out using a long rectangular channel to confine the shear flow. The downward impinging jet was located on the centerline of the channel. The physical situation is depicted in Fig. 2.1. It is important to notice that the shear flow is always unidirectional. Consequently, the interaction differs between the two flows on either side of the jet stagnation streamline. On one side of the streamline the two flows move in opposite directions whereas they are codirectional on the other side.

Paper tufts were used to help visualize the overall qualitative picture of the flow pattern. Detailed surveys of mean velocity using hot-wire anemometers were conducted. Initially, both wall-jet and shear flow were investigated separately in order to ascertain their characteristics. Experimental similitude for the velocity variation of the combined flow was sought for either side of the impinging jet stagnation streamline. This was feasible since the combined-flow velocity profile possessed a point of maximum velocity. Particular characteristic length and velocity scales are set forth to obtain similitude for various flow quantities within the entire flow domain.

### 3. EXPERIMENTAL APPARATUS

The objective of the experimental program was to investigate the interaction between a turbulent axisymmetric jet and a plane shear flow, with the former being directed perpendicular to the latter. Study of the resulting combined flow features, downstream and upstream of the jet penetration location, was sought. The experimental aim was accomplished simply by injecting a jet perpendicular to a shear flow.

The horizontal shear flow was bound within the walls of a long open channel. This arrangement ensured a shear flow with a mildly favorable pressure gradient and a relatively high local Reynolds number, i.e.,  $Re_x = O(10^5)$  based on the shear flow free-stream velocity and on the downstream distance. The axis of the vertical jet was aligned perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the channel, i.e., it coincided with the z-axis. A schematic diagram of the experimental arrangement is displayed in Fig. 3.1 which also shows the system of coordinates and all important dimensions used.

#### 3.1 The Shear Flow Channel

The shear flow channel was made of two parallel plexiglass walls 5/8-in thick. It is 128 in long with a cross-section of 18 x 18 in. The panels were placed on a 3/4-in thick polished aluminum disk which was the diameter of 138 in. As shown in Fig. 3.1, 13 measurement slots were milled in the side wall. These slots are located in the planes  $x = 0, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12, \pm 24, +36$  and  $+48$  in. The horizontal shear flow was produced by an axial fan (L. J. Wing Mfg. Co. Model A2D2W6) driven by a 1.5 hp DC motor (Peerless Electric Co., Type D-202-K). This fan is capable of generating air speed up to 10 ft/sec. The boundary

layer was artificially thickened by means of roughness installed at the channel entrance (see Fig. 3.1).

### 3.2 The Jet

The vertical jet was produced by air ejecting from a 2 in diameter, sharp-edged orifice located in a horizontal plane 22.5 in above the flat plate. A 5 hp centrifugal compressor (North American Mfg. Co. Model 20-D2-5), driven by an electrical motor (GE Induction Motor Model 5K225BT675), supplied the air. Jet velocity of up to 400 ft/sec can be obtained at the orifice. Coarse control of the flow was obtained by means of a butterfly valve. An auxiliary exhaust valve was employed for fine adjustment of the jet flow.

### 3.3 Probe Positioning

The hot-wire probe could be moved continuously along lines parallel to the z-axis by means of an electrically operated traversing mechanism. This mechanism permitted fine control of position within 0.5 mm. Probe positioning in the horizontal plane, i.e., along lines parallel to the x- and y- axes, was performed by means of a manually operated traversing mechanism. The latter permitted control of position within 0.5 mm. A rotation compound permitted angular positioning of the probes with respect to a reference axis within an accuracy of  $0.5^{\circ}$ . In addition, the vertical alignment of the probe was monitored by means of a telescopic alidade (Kollmorgen Optical Co. Model Mark III). A photograph of the experimental arrangement is provided in Fig. 3.2.

#### 4. EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUE AND INSTRUMENTATION

##### 4.1 Velocity and Turbulence Intensity Measurement

The mean velocity was measured by means of a single hot-wire anemometer. The velocity range encountered in this experiment ranged up to a maximum of 75 ft/sec. In this range, the simplified and operational form of the relationship between the heat loss from a wire placed normal to the flow and the undisturbed velocity is given by the so-called King's law

$$E^2 - E_0^2 = A U^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (4.1)$$

where  $E$  is the actual voltage drop across the wire placed in the flow,  $E_0$  designates the voltage drop across the wire in still air (at zero velocity),  $U$  denotes the undisturbed air velocity and  $A$  is a constant. The latter depends on wire configuration, material, and the properties of air. It may be noted that previously published data on heat transfer from fine heated wires indicate relatively large variations among the results of different experiments [9]. However, in general all of them show a power law dependence on Reynolds number regarding the heat loss. The exponent varies from 0.45 to 0.52, but a square-root law is generally accepted for moderate velocities. A detailed discussion of the variation of the exponent is presented in Reference 10.

If  $u$  is the fluctuation parallel to the mean velocity  $U$ , normal to the wire, Eq. (4.1) can be written

$$(\bar{E} + e)^2 - E_0^2 = A(\bar{U} + u)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (4.2)$$

where the overbar denotes time-averaged values, i.e., DC voltage and mean velocity,  $E_0$  is a constant under the chosen operating conditions and  $e$  is the instantaneous fluctuating voltage corresponding to the fluctuating velocity  $u$ . Under the assumption of relatively small fluctuations the higher order terms in the binomial expansion of  $(\bar{E} + e)^2$  and  $(\bar{U} + u)^{1/2}$  can be neglected. Thereafter, separating the mean and the fluctuating components on both sides of Eq. (4.2), using Eq. (4.1), and taking root-mean-square of both sides, the turbulence intensity defined commonly as  $u_{\text{rms}}/\bar{U}$  is given by

$$\frac{u_{\text{rms}}}{\bar{U}} = \frac{4 \bar{E}^2}{\bar{E}^2 - E_0^2} \frac{e_{\text{rms}}}{\bar{E}}, \quad (4.3)$$

where the subscript rms designates square-root of mean square values (time-averaged), i.e.,  $\overline{(u^2)}^{1/2}$  and  $\overline{(e^2)}^{1/2}$ .

In obtaining Eq. (4.3) it was assumed that the fluctuating velocity  $u$  is small compared to the mean velocity. However, if the ratio  $u/\bar{U}$  is, say, 0.4 or more, an error is introduced by neglecting higher order terms in the binomial expansion. For instance, if  $u/\bar{U}$  is of order of 0.4, the maximum possible error is of the order of 10%.

Based on the cosine law, the direction of flow was approximately determined by rotating the probe about its own longitudinal axis until a maximum reading was obtained. A three-hole yaw probe (United Sensor, Model W-87) was employed to verify qualitatively the hot-wire reading.



#### 4.2 Hot-Wire Anemometer System

The hot-wire anemometer employed is a novel system designed and built at the Fluid Dynamics and Diffusion Laboratory, Colorado State University. This hot-wire anemometer is a fully transistorized system of constant temperature (CT) type. A description of its characteristics and performance is presented in Reference 11. The frequency response of the system is flat from DC to beyond 100 kHz and its signal-to-noise (S/N) is greater than 500.

The wire resistance can be measured by this unit with a resolution of  $0.005 \Omega$ . The bridge current and/or voltage can be read with an accuracy of 0.1 mA and/or 1 mV, respectively, on the digital meter provided with the unit. A variable cut-off low pass filter, which can be varied in steps from 1 to 100 kHz, is incorporated into the system. A built-in DC suppression network can be used to suppress any desired DC voltage. In addition, the unit is equipped with an output amplifier module. The output signal can be amplified in steps up to a gain of 100.

In connection with the hot-wire anemometer unit the following auxiliary equipment was used:

- (1) A root-mean-square meter (DISA, Model 55D35) for measurement of rms values;
- (2) A dual-beam oscilloscope (Tektronix, Type 502A) for quick assessment of the output signal pattern;
- (3) An x-y plotter (Mosely, Model 135 A) for recording the DC output of the anemometer;
- (4) A digital DC Voltmeter (Hewlett-Packard, Model 3440A) for monitoring the DC output voltage;

- (5) Attenuators for attenuation of the anemometer output signal to suitable levels for various purposes;
- (6) An Equibar Pressure Meter (Transonic, Model 120) for measurements of flow velocities in conjunction with the yaw probe and hot-wire calibration.

A block diagram of the anemometer system and the additional equipment is depicted in Fig. 4.1. A general view of the equipment is shown in Fig. 4.2.

A tungsten wire of nominal diameter 0.00035 in and 0.04 in effective length ( $l/d = 116$ ) was used. A single wire straight probe of 1/8-in diameter was utilized.

#### 4.3 Hot-Wire Calibration

The hot wire was calibrated over the entire operational velocity range, i.e., 2 to 60 fps, at the beginning and at the end of each run. A calibrator (TS Calibrator, Model 1125) was employed for this purpose. Before every run, particular attention was paid to clean the hot wire using a concentrated cleaning solution made of potassium chromate and sulfuric acid ( $K_2CrO_4 + H_2SO_4$ ).

A sample of the kind of calibration curves obtained is provided by Fig. 4.3. Computation of the exponent of  $\bar{U}$  (by plotting  $\log (\bar{E}^2 - E_0^2)$  vs.  $\log \bar{U}$  and measuring the slope) showed that it differed from 0.5 by about 10% in the high range of velocity, i.e., 8-60 fps. In general, the linear calibration curves obtained were the best-fit curves in the measured velocity range.

A survey of all the calibration curves of the different wires used revealed a scattering in the values of  $A$  within 10 to 15%. This can

be attributed to variation of air properties, aging of the wires in the course of operation, and slight changes in wire material properties.

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## 5. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

The experimental investigation reported in this work had the following main objectives:

- a) To study the flow field of a turbulent wall jet interacting with a horizontal shear flow,
- b) To examine the possibility of achieving similar velocity profiles and, hence, to obtain the appropriate similarity parameters for the resulting flow.

The physical situation investigated, and the system of coordinates used are portrayed in Fig. 2.1. In addition, all important parameters related to the combined flow are shown in Fig. 5.1. The origin of the system of coordinates is selected at the geometrical center of the channel which corresponds to the theoretical stagnation point of the jet. The results are presented in dimensionless form unless mentioned otherwise. Dimensional variables, wherever used, are denoted by an asterisk. As the results are presented, pertinent discussions are interspersed wherever deemed helpful for proper interpretation of the experimental results.

All the measurements presented hereinafter were performed at a constant jet efflux velocity  $W_0^* = 190$  ft/sec and at a shear flow free-stream velocity  $U_{0s}^*$  at station  $x^* = -24$  in maintained at 5.2 ft/sec.

### 5.1 Establishment of the Flow

To begin with, the wall jet and the shear flow were investigated independently to obtain their characteristics. The velocity was measured using a single hot-wire anemometer probe. Measurements of velocity were

carried out at 13 stations along the x-axis, i.e., along the flow axis of symmetry in plane  $y^* = 0$ . The location of these stations is shown in Fig. 3.1. At each station, the measurements were performed in z-direction at a maximum of 17 positions over a distance of 4 in. The exact number of the positions, at each station, was based on the local total boundary-layer thickness. In carrying out these measurements, the hot-wire axis was positioned vertically, i.e., parallel to the z-axis. In addition, the hot wire also was positioned for maximum output voltage. According to the cosine law [12], the hot wire is most sensitive to the resultant normal velocity [13a, 13b]. Consequently, the flow pitch angle, i.e., the angle in the plane  $y^* = 0$  with respect to the x-axis, was monitored by appropriate positioning and rotation of the hot wire. A subsequent verification of velocity direction was conducted by means of a three-hole yaw probe. Visualization by means of paper tufts indicated clearly that the flow was symmetrical with respect to the x-axis.

#### 5.1.1 The wall jet

Along the channel centerline, i.e., along the x-axis in plane  $y^* = 0$ , the wall jet velocity profiles are symmetrical with respect to the jet stagnation streamline (plane  $x^* = 0$ ). Consequently, only results for the positive side ( $x^* > 0$ ) within the domain of established flow are presented. The latter is defined as the region where similar velocity profiles are obtained [3]. It was found that this region starts at a distance of approximately 6 in from the jet stagnation streamline, i.e., at  $x^* = \pm 6$  in. Samples of the measured mean velocity changes with height at four stations, viz., at  $x^* = 6, 12, 24$  and 36 in, are

shown in Fig 5.2. The results are presented using the usual wall jet dimensionless formulation, i.e.,  $U_j = U_j^*/U_{mj}^*$  and  $z = z^*/\delta_{2j}^*$ , where  $U_{mj}^*$  is the local maximum velocity and  $\delta_{2j}^*$  is the total boundary-layer thickness. Notice that both  $U_{mj}^*$  and  $\delta_{2j}^*$  are functions of  $x^*$ . The total boundary-layer thickness is defined, as commonly done, as the height where  $U_j = 0.5$  (for a wall jet, by definition,  $U_0 = 0$ ). The longitudinal distance is made dimensionless using the jet orifice radius, i.e.,  $x = x^*/R^*$ , where  $R^* = 1$  in (see Fig. 3.1). No results beyond  $z = 1.4$  ( $z^* = 0.76$  to 4 in depending upon the longitudinal position) are shown due to entrainment effects in the outermost part of the flow.

The local wall jet Reynolds number based on local peak velocity  $U_{mj}^*$  and jet width  $\delta_{tj}^*$  ranges from 4400 to 9500 ( $\nu = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ft}^2/\text{sec}$ ). The jet width is  $\delta_{tj}^* = \delta_{2j}^* - \delta_{mj}^*$ , where  $\delta_{mj}^*$  is the inner boundary-layer thickness corresponding to the height of maximum velocity  $U_{mj}^*$ . According to the wall jet theory [2, 3], the velocity variation depends upon a single similarity parameter  $\alpha$  which is related to the jet Reynolds number. Within the aforementioned Reynolds number range, the value of  $\alpha$  varies from 1.26 to 1.31. A sample of the theoretical velocity change at an average Reynolds number of 7000 and for  $\alpha = 1.28$  is also depicted in Fig. 5.2. A reasonable agreement to the experimental results is observed.

It is, further, important to examine whether the peak velocity and the thickness of the outer boundary layer vary according to simple power laws, i.e.,  $U_{mj}^* \sim x^{*a}$  and  $\delta_{2j}^* \sim x^{*b}$ . The similarity exponents  $a$  and  $b$  depend on the parameter  $\alpha$  [2]. The variations of  $U_{mj}^*$  and  $\delta_{2j}^*$  with distance from the origin are displayed in Fig. 5.3. In this

figure, the peak velocity and the total boundary-layer thickness are made dimensionless using the jet efflux velocity and the jet orifice distance from the flat plate, respectively, i.e.,  $U_{mj} = U_{mj}^*/W_o^*$  and  $\delta_{2j} = \delta_{2j}^*/h^*$ . The longitudinal distance is referred to the jet orifice radius, i.e.,  $x = x^*/R^*$ . It was found that  $a = -1.19$  and  $b = 0.95$ . For  $\alpha = 1.28$ , the corresponding theoretical values [2] of  $a$  and  $b$  are  $-1.14$  and  $1.028$  respectively. Thus, the changes in peak velocity and total boundary-layer thickness are in agreement with the jet theory. Insofar as the turbulence intensity variation, similar change as reported in References 5 and 6 was observed.

### 5.1.2 The shear flow

All the measurements were carried out in plane  $y^* = 0$ , i.e., along the  $x$ -axis, at a constant free-stream velocity  $U_{os}^* = 5.2$  ft/sec at station  $x^* = -24$  in. Due to the channel flow, the velocity at the outer edge of the boundary layer (the free-stream velocity) is expected to vary with downstream distance. Consequently, a turbulent boundary layer with a mildly favorable pressure gradient was anticipated. It was found that the free-stream velocity changed from its value at  $x^* = -24$  in to about 12.1 ft/sec at  $x^* = 24$  in. The corresponding average variation in the pressure gradient was of the order of  $-0.008$  mm Hg/ft.

The mean velocity variation with height was measured at 5 stations, viz., at  $x^* = -12, 0, 12, 24$  and  $36$  in. The results are shown in Fig. 5.4 using the usual shear flow dimensionless formulation, i.e.,  $U_s = U_s^*/U_{os}^*$  and  $z = z^*/\delta_s^*$ , where  $U_s^*$  denotes the mean velocity and  $\delta_s^*$  designates the local boundary-layer thickness. The Reynolds number of the flow based on local free-stream velocity and local boundary-layer

thickness ranged from 6,200 to 16,600. Hence, a turbulent boundary layer was obtained [14].

Generally, the velocity variation within a turbulent boundary layer on a smooth flat plate can be represented by an empirical power law of the form  $U_s \sim z^{1/n}$  [15]. The value of  $n$  depends on the flow Reynolds number and can vary from 3 to 10 [16]. It was found that the measured velocity distribution changes satisfactorily according to a power law. The value of  $n$  was approximated to be 6.7. For the sake of comparison, the measurements presented in References 17 and 18 are also displayed in Fig. 5.4. In both cases, results corresponding to Reynolds number of the order of 10,000 are portrayed. It is important to note that the data used from Reference 18 was obtained under a mildly favorable pressure gradient of the order of  $-0.0047$  mm Hg/ft. The results shown in Fig. 5.4 are in good agreement with the measurements reported in the aforementioned two references. The growth of the boundary-layer thickness along the  $x$ -axis is depicted in Fig. 5.5. In this figure, the boundary-layer thickness is made dimensionless using half-width of the channel, i.e.,  $\delta_s = \delta_s^*/B^*$ , where  $B^* = 9$  in (see Fig. 4.1). It was found that the boundary-layer thickness increases with the power  $x^{0.77}$  of the distance. The turbulence intensity was measured simultaneously with the mean velocity measurement. By and large, the turbulence intensity revealed a variation similar to that presented in Reference 17. No noticeable deviations from the expected change were found. Consequently, the shear flow was deemed adequate for this experiment.

### 5.1.3 The combined flow

A series of trials were conducted using paper tufts in order to obtain an overall picture of the interacting (or combined) flow



pattern. The effect of the shear flow on the wall jet was clearly observed.

Next, a detailed survey of the combined flow using a three-hole yaw probe was carried out. The magnitude and, particularly, the velocity direction at various stations, were obtained. These stations were all located in the plane of symmetry, i.e., plane  $y^* = 0$ . Consequently, only the pitch angle was monitored. An overall mapping of the combined flow streamlines is depicted in Fig. 5.6. The streamlines were graphically approximated and velocity interpolation was employed where needed. As a result of the interaction, the jet stagnation point was observed to shift about 2 in downstream of its theoretical position. Moreover, in the vicinity of the z-axis the streamlines exhibit a sharp curvature. This curvature is indicative of the strong velocity gradient and mixing resulting from the interaction of the two flows. The longitudinal extent of this intense mixing region depends on the height above the plate. Close to the wall, this region stretches up to about 6 in on either side of the z-axis.

To test whether the shear flow was able to penetrate throughout the wall jet and to reach the downstream side of its stagnation streamline, the longitudinal kinetic energy over the entire boundary layer of the combined flow, the wall jet, and the shear flow, was computed. The kinetic energy per unit mass and per unit area normal to the velocity over the entire boundary layer is

$$E_i^* = \frac{1}{\delta_i^*} \int_0^{\delta_i^*} U_i^{*2} dz^*, \quad (5.1)$$

where  $i$  stands either for the combined flow  $(E_c^*, \delta_{2c}^*, U_c^*)$ , the jet  $(E_j^*, \delta_{2j}^*, U_j^*)$  or the shear flow  $(E_s^*, \delta_s^*, U_s^*)$ . In each case, the integral was numerically evaluated. The ratios of the jet and shear flow energy to the combined flow energy, respectively, are shown in Fig. 5.7. The energy variation evidenced that the interaction occurred on both sides of the jet stagnation streamline. For instance, on the upstream side, the jet energy is everywhere larger than that of the combined flow, whereas on the downstream side it is smaller. This is due to the interaction mechanism and to the gradually diminishing effect of the shear flow. However, the shear flow was able to penetrate and perturb the wall jet throughout. Hence, the flow was considered adequate for the experiment.

## 5.2 Mean Velocity Survey

The main objective of the combined flow mean velocity survey was to explore the possibility of obtaining similar velocity distribution within the boundary layer. Basically, the quest for similitude consists of defining and finding appropriate scale factors or similarity parameters. However, it is worth pointing out that experimental similitude parameters are not necessarily identical to analytical similarity functions [7]. Both components of the interacting flow, i.e., the wall jet and the shear flow, exhibit similitudes in their respective velocity variations. Consequently, it is reasonable to expect that the combined flow would also reveal similar velocity profiles.

It is important to note that the flow upstream of the jet stagnation streamline ( $x < 0$ ) is different from that in the downstream domain ( $x > 0$ ). The dissimilar features are discerned by the streamline

pattern and energy variation shown in Figs. 5.6 and 5.7, respectively. The different characteristics are due to the interaction mechanism. The jet spreads in both directions whereas the shear flow is unidirectional. Upstream of the jet stagnation streamline the shear flow opposes the jet while downstream of it both flows are codirectional.

As mentioned earlier, all the velocity measurements were performed along the x-axis, i.e., in the flow plane of symmetry. Within the fully developed flow regime, the predominant velocity along the x-axis is the longitudinal component  $U$ . The transverse velocity component  $V$  vanished due to symmetry. The vertical velocity component  $W$  was found to vary roughly up to 15 to 20% of the longitudinal velocity. To a first approximation, the vertical component is neglected. This approximation for  $|x^*| > 6$  in is substantiated by the streamline patterns depicted in Fig. 5.6. Therefore, the results presented hereafter concentrate on the axial velocity  $U$  within the fully established flow domain, i.e., for  $|x^*| > 6$  in.

The combined flow boundary layer can be viewed qualitatively as a wall-jet like boundary layer. Similar to the wall jet, the combined flow boundary layer is divided into an inner and an outer layer, respectively, as portrayed in Fig. 5.1. These layers are delineated using excess velocities or velocity differences to distinguish from a simple wall jet. The excess velocities are defined in terms of the local free-stream velocity  $U_0^*$  peculiar to the interacting flow. Then, the local excess velocity is

$$\Delta U^* = U^* - U_0^* . \quad (5.2)$$

Similarly, the maximum excess velocity is

$$\Delta U_m^* = U_m^* - U_0^* . \quad (5.3)$$

In these relationships  $U^*$  is the local velocity and  $U_m^*$  is the local maximum velocity. The thickness of the inner layer  $\delta_m^*$  corresponds to the height where  $\Delta U_m^*$  is observed. The total boundary-layer thickness  $\delta_2^*$  is defined as the maximum height where  $\Delta U^* = 0.5 \Delta U_m^*$ , i.e., the height where the local velocity is  $U_2^* = 0.5 (U_m^* + U_0^*)$ . Hence, the outer-layer thickness  $\delta_t^* = \delta_2^* - \delta_m^*$ . In the absence of a shear flow  $U_0^* = 0$  and, then, the aforementioned definitions become identical to those for a wall jet.

In presenting the results, the axial distance  $x^*$  is made dimensionless throughout by referring it to the jet orifice radius  $R^*$ , i.e.,  $x = x^*/R^*$ . Due to different features of velocity variations, the results for the downstream ( $x > 0$ ) and the upstream ( $x < 0$ ) domains are presented separately.

### 5.2.1 Downstream domain

The domain of established flow, as shown in Fig. 5.6, starts at  $x^* = 6$  in approximately, i.e., about 4 in from the observed stagnation point. The measured velocity distribution at stations  $x^* = 6, 12, 24, 36$  and 48 in employing the usual wall jet parameters, i.e.,  $U = U^*/U_m^*$  and  $z = z^*/\delta_2^*$  is displayed in Fig. 5.8. The velocity profiles do not collapse on a single curve. The inadequacy of wall jet similarity parameters to represent the combined flow is due to the interaction between the shear flow and the wall jet. Basically, in the

case of a wall jet interacting with a shear flow, the inner-layer characteristics depend upon the local maximum velocity  $U_m^*$ . On the other hand, it is reasonable to assume that the outer-layer features are determined by the velocities encountered at both extremities of this layer, i.e., by  $U_m^*$  and  $U_2^*$ . Consequently, the velocity variation within the outer layer depends upon these velocities. These two velocities or the corresponding excess velocities can be considered as the significant velocities of the outer layer. Recall that, for a wall jet  $U_m^*$  is the only characteristic velocity. As a result, the use of a single velocity scale for the entire boundary layer is precluded [7, 19].

The velocity variation in the entire boundary layer is affected by both local peak velocity and local maximum excess velocity. Thus, it is interesting to examine their longitudinal variations. Decays of these two velocities in the  $x$ -direction are shown in Fig. 5.9, where the velocities are made dimensionless using the jet efflux velocity  $W_0^*$ . Within the entire range  $x = 6$  to  $48$ , the maximum velocity  $U_m$  decreases smoothly following a power law  $x^{-0.47}$ . For  $\Delta U_m$ , however, a decrease following approximately a power law  $x^{-0.70}$  is seen only from  $x = 12$  to  $48$ . The deviation observed in the slope of  $\Delta U_m$  in the region  $x = 6$  to  $12$  is probably due to the local variation of  $U_0^*$ .

As mentioned earlier, the thicknesses of the local inner layer, local outer layer and total boundary layer are considered to be characteristic lengths. Hence, it is important to observe their longitudinal variations. Growth of these thicknesses, made dimensionless using the height  $h^*$  of the jet orifice above the plate, is depicted in Fig. 5.10. The changes of both inner layer thickness  $\delta_m$  and total

boundary-layer thickness  $\delta_2$  do not obey a simple power law. The inner layer behaves as a plane turbulent boundary layer on a flat plate. Its thickness  $\delta_m$  increases following a Reynolds number power law  $Re_x^{0.84}$ , where  $Re_x = U_m^* x^*/\nu$ , up to  $x = 36$  in [15]. The outer-layer thickness  $\delta_t$  was computed, based on the measurement of  $\delta_2$  and  $\delta_m$ . Undoubtedly,  $\delta_t$  is a characteristic length for the outer layer. Its eventual use as a similarity length scale is sought. However, within the outer layer, due to the nature of interaction between the jet and the shear flow, the requirements for similarity are expected to be different than those proposed for a simple wall jet. As a result, simple power law variations in  $x$  of a characteristic velocity and/or a characteristic length become merely fortuitous.

Variations of the various significant velocities and thicknesses clearly indicate that no single length and/or velocity can be employed as appropriate scaling parameters for the entire boundary layer. Therefore, an analysis for similarity is carried out separately for the inner and outer layer.

A. *Inner layer.* The inner layer is essentially similar to the inner layer of a wall jet. The velocity variation within the latter can be approximated by that of a turbulent boundary layer on a flat plate [3, 5]. Hence, the velocity and the length similarity parameters are the local maximum velocity  $U_m^*$  and the inner-layer thickness  $\delta_m^*$ . Velocity variations in the vertical direction, are displayed in Fig. 5.11, where the velocity and height were made dimensionless employing the above scales. All the profiles do collapse on a single curve. The minor scatter close to the wall ( $z < 0.3$ ) is attributed to uncertainty

errors in measurements. *An overall similitude is attained in the inner layer.*

B. *Outer layer.* The velocity decrease with height in the outer layer, (see Fig. 5.8) indicates that  $U_m^*$  significantly influences the velocity variations within its lower region. On the other hand, the gradual velocity decrease close to the upper edge of this layer is dominated by  $U_2^*$ . Since  $U_2^*$  is defined in terms of both  $U_m^*$  and  $U_0^*$  by Eqs. (5.2) and (5.3), the free-stream velocity  $U_0^*$  affects the velocity change in the upper part of the outer layer. This type of velocity variation suggests the division of the outer layer into two zones to reflect the effects of the corresponding dominant velocities  $U_m^*$  and  $U_2^*$  (or  $U_0^*$ ). Based on the observed velocity variations, the outer layer is divided into two zones of equal thickness which are depicted in Fig. 5.1. The lower half, or Zone I, extends from the edge of local inner layer to a height  $\delta_1^* = 0.5(\delta_m^* + \delta_2^*)$ . The upper half, or Zone II, has a thickness of  $\delta_2^* - \delta_1^* = 0.5\delta_t^*$ .

To obtain similar velocity profiles, appropriate velocity and length scales are formulated for each zone. It appears reasonable to select the velocity and length scales in terms of the characteristic excess velocities and zonal thicknesses. Within Zone I, the maximum excess velocity  $\Delta U_m^*$  and the thickness of the zone  $\delta_1 - \delta_m$  are selected as the characteristic velocity and length, respectively. In Zone II, the local excess velocity

$$\Delta U_j^* = U_1^* - U_0^* , \quad (5.4)$$

is chosen as the velocity scale, and the zonal thickness

$$\delta_2^* - \delta_1^* = 0.5\delta_t^* , \quad (5.5)$$

is used as the length scale.

The velocity profiles in Zone I using the aforesaid scales are depicted in Fig. 5.12, where the dimensionless excess velocity and excess height are

$$\psi_1 = (U^* - U_0^*) / (U_m^* - U_0^*) \quad (5.6)$$

and

$$\zeta_1 = (z^* - \delta_m^*) / (\delta_1^* - \delta_m^*) . \quad (5.7)$$

*Velocity variations, at all stations, collapse on a single similar profile.* An interesting feature of this profile is that the dimensionless excess velocity does not decrease beyond 10% from its maximum value.

The velocity profiles in Zone II rendered dimensionless by aforementioned velocity and length scales are presented in Fig. 5.13. It may be noted that, the local velocity  $U_1^*$  corresponding to the height  $\delta_1^*$  is 5 to 10% higher than the arithmetic mean of  $U_m^*$  and  $U_2^*$ . The dimensionless excess velocity and excess height are defined as

$$\psi_2 = (U^* - U_0^*) / (U_1^* - U_0^*) \quad (5.8)$$

and



$$\zeta_2 = (z^* - \delta_1^*) / (\delta_2^* - \delta_1^*) . \quad (5.9)$$

The velocity variations at all stations are represented by a single curve. Hence, a similarity velocity profile is obtained for Zone II.

The excess velocity  $\psi_2$  is seen to decrease rather sharply. It attenuates to about 60% of its maximum value at the outer edge.

### 5.2.2 Upstream domain

On the upstream side of jet stagnation streamline, the domain of established flow was found (see Fig. 5.6) to develop from  $x^* = -6$  in approximately, i.e., 8 in from the observed stagnation point. Measured velocity variation with height at  $x^* = -6, -12$  and  $-24$  in is portrayed in Fig. 5.14. The velocity and height are made dimensionless as for the downstream domain, employing the wall jet parameters, i.e.,  $U = U^*/U_m^*$  and  $z = z^*/\delta_2^*$ . It is evident from this figure and from Fig. 5.6, that at stations  $x^* = -12$  and  $-24$  in, a change in the direction of flow occurs during a vertical traverse. At these positions, the zero-velocity points are reached at heights corresponding to or slightly beyond the outer-layer thickness. This flow reversal at stations farther away from the jet stagnation point is attributed to the stronger shear flow opposing the jet. Closer to the jet impingement point, i.e., at  $x^* = -6$  in, no flow reversal occurred. For convenience, in presenting the results involving the velocity directed in the negative direction of  $x$ -axis, its negative sign is omitted since absolute values are considered. As a result, the reversed velocity is assumed to be negative.

By and large, the velocity variations shown in Fig. 5.14 indicate that in the boundary layer ( $z^* \leq \delta_2^*$ ) the velocity changes are affected by the maximum velocity and the velocity at its edge, i.e., by  $U_m^*$  and  $U_2^*$ . Similar to the downstream domain, these two velocities can be regarded as the significant velocities of the boundary layer. Moreover, the effect of the counterflow free-stream velocity  $U_0^*$  is discerned. Consequently, similar to the downstream domain, excess velocities in terms of  $U_0^*$  are used. At  $x^* = -12$  and  $-24$  in , the effects of opposing free-stream velocity  $U_0^*$  are reflected by steep velocity gradients. Where the counterflow is less predominant, e.g., at  $x^* = -6$  in , the velocity profile has a milder slope. Furthermore, at  $x^* = -12$  and  $-24$  in , the outer-layer thickness  $\delta_t^*$  is smaller than the corresponding inner layer thickness  $\delta_m^*$ . Finally, it is noted that the dimensionless profiles do not merge onto a single curve. Thus no similarity is obtained employing the wall jet parameters, as anticipated from the results on the downstream side.

To gain an insight into the nature of the flow, the various significant velocities and thicknesses, i.e., maximum velocity, maximum excess velocity, inner-layer thickness, outer-layer thickness and total boundary-layer thickness are examined for their longitudinal variations in Figs. 5.15 and 5.16, respectively. The velocity and thicknesses are rendered dimensionless using the same parameters as in the downstream domain. Simple power law variations of these quantities with distance  $x$  are improbable, due to the flow interaction. Both velocities, instead of continuously decreasing, tend to level off with increasing distance from the stagnation streamline. This is attributed to the opposing shear flow, which causes an adverse pressure gradient and a concomitant

retardation in the streamwise spreading of the wall jet. In correspondence with the variation of  $U_m$ , the inner-layer thickness  $\delta_m$  exhibits an increase followed by a leveling off. This is clearly observed in Fig. 5.16. The continuous decay of the outer-layer thickness  $\delta_t$  signifies the trend toward ultimate disruption of the outer layer by the counterflow. Total boundary layer thickness  $\delta_2$  increases very slightly with  $x$ , following a power law  $x^{0.1}$ . This increase occurs in spite of a concomitant decrease in  $\delta_t$ . Thus, stronger interaction occurred on the upstream side, in contrast to the downstream domain where the interaction was weaker. However, the general variation of the significant velocities suggests a flow pattern essentially similar to the downstream side. Consequently, the same scales as in the downstream side are adopted to obtain similar velocity variation.

A. *Inner layer.* In the same manner as for the flow in the downstream side, the local maximum velocity  $U_m^*$  and the local thickness of the inner layer  $\delta_m^*$  are used as the characteristic scales. Variation of velocity with height, where both are made dimensionless utilizing the foregoing scales, is depicted in Fig. 5.17. As expected, the velocity profiles at all stations merge reasonably into a single curve. Clearly, a similitude variation is obtained.

B. *Outer layer.* The overall qualitative resemblance between upstream and downstream flow suggests an identical division of the outer layer into two equal zones, i.e., Zone I (lower half) and Zone II (upper half). Furthermore, the same characteristic scales as for the downstream side are used for these two zones. Thus, within Zone I,  $U_m^* - U_o^*$  and  $\delta_1^* - \delta_m^*$  are employed whereas in Zone II  $U_1^* - U_o^*$  and  $\delta_2^* - \delta_1^*$  are utilized. Dimensionless velocity profiles for these two zones are portrayed in

Figs. 5.18 and 5.19, respectively. *Similarity velocity variation is clearly observed.* Since similarity was obtained employing the same scales for both upstream and downstream flow, the overall congruence between these two regions is evidenced. The excess velocity  $\psi_1$  in Zone I does not decrease by more than 5% from its maximum value. Within Zone II, the excess velocity decreases to about 40% of its maximum value. The greater attenuation of  $\psi_2$  with height  $\zeta_2$ , as compared to downstream flow, indicates a stronger interaction between the wall jet and the shear flow. It is interesting to remark that at station  $x = -24$ , both  $U_m$  and  $U_o$  possess the same absolute value. Thus, the important aspects of the results are that *similar velocity profiles, for both downstream and upstream domains, were obtained by postulating appropriate velocity and length scales based on the local characteristic velocity (or excess velocity) and local layer (or zonal) thickness.*

### 5.3 Integral Parameters

In the case of a plane turbulent boundary layer, similarity of velocity profiles is reflected by approximately constant value of the shape factor along the flow direction. Similitude was obtained in the velocity variations for the various regions of the combined flow. Hence, it is interesting to examine the longitudinal variations of the shape factor within each particular layer. Reversal of slope in a velocity profile can cause a singularity in the value of the shape factor if the usual boundary layer conventions are used. To avoid this pitfall, appropriate reference velocities need to be chosen for each distinct region of the flow. In the inner layer, the reference velocity is the

local maximum velocity. For each zone of the outer layer the respective characteristic excess velocity, i.e.,  $\Delta U_m$  or  $\Delta U_1$ , is selected as the reference velocity. It is hypothesized that the flow in each zone of the outer layer is caused by a sudden displacement of a fictitious plate located at the lower edge of the particular zone. This imaginary plate moves with a velocity  $U_m^*(x)$  or  $U_1^*(x)$  depending on the zone involved.

The displacement thickness  $\Delta_m^*$  and momentum thickness  $\theta_m^*$  for the inner layer are defined as

$$\Delta_m^* = \int_0^{\delta_m^*} \left(1 - \frac{U^*}{U_m^*}\right) dz^* , \quad (5.10)$$

and

$$\theta_m^* = \int_0^{\delta_m^*} \left(1 - \frac{U^*}{U_m^*}\right) \left(\frac{U^*}{U_m^*}\right) dz^* . \quad (5.11)$$

On the other hand, the displacement thickness  $\Delta_i^*$  and momentum thickness  $\theta_i^*$  for the two zones of the outer layer are defined in terms of the excess velocities for the two zones. Thus,

$$\Delta_i^* = \int_{\delta_l^*}^{\delta_i^*} \left(1 - \frac{U^* - U_0^*}{U_l^* - U_0^*}\right) dz^* . \quad (5.12)$$

and

$$\theta_i^* = \int_{\delta_l^*}^{\delta_i^*} \left(1 - \frac{U^* - U_0^*}{U_l^* - U_0^*}\right) \left(\frac{U^* - U_0^*}{U_l^* - U_0^*}\right) dz^* \quad (5.13)$$

where  $i = 1, 2$  and  $\ell = m, 1$ . Consequently, the zonal shape factor is

$$H_k = \frac{\Delta_k^*}{\theta_k^*} \quad (5.14)$$

where  $k = m, 1, 2$  depending on the particular region.

Calculated values of the shape factor at all stations along the x-axis are shown in Fig. 5.20. On both sides of the stagnation streamline the shape factors in all three regions, i.e.,  $H_m$ ,  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , are found to attain constant values within less than 10% scattering. The values of  $H_m$ ,  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are 1.85, 1.03 and 1.55, respectively. The value of the shape factor for inner layer  $H_m$  is within reasonable agreement with measured values of the shape factor for a plane turbulent boundary layer with a mild pressure gradient [18]. In this reference, values of shape factor ranging from 1.44 to 1.66 are reported. In general, the obtained values of the zonal shape factor are considered to be characteristic parameters for the three regions of the interacting flow.

#### 5.4 Mean Energy

The mean kinetic energy in a particular stratum of the flow can be considered as being suggestive of the strength of interaction between the wall jet and the shear flow. Consequently, it is interesting to observe the variation of mean kinetic energy in both flow domains, i.e., upstream and downstream of the jet stagnation streamline. Since similar velocity variation was obtained using adequate scales for each region, similitude of the mean kinetic energy change is expected.

In an analogous manner to the velocity, the dimensionless kinetic energy for the inner layer is

$$E = U^*/U_m^*, \quad (5.15)$$

where  $U^*$  and  $U_m^*$  are the local and the local maximum velocity, respectively. Within the outer layer, the dimensionless local excess energy in Zones I and II are

$$\Delta E_1 = (U^*{}^2 - U_o^*{}^2)/(U_m^*{}^2 - U_o^*{}^2), \quad (5.16)$$

and

$$\Delta E_2 = (U^*{}^2 - U_o^*{}^2)/(U_1^*{}^2 - U_o^*{}^2). \quad (5.17)$$

The dimensionless vertical coordinate utilized for each region is identical to the one used in portraying the velocity similitude (see Sec. 5.2.1).

Both upstream and downstream energy variations in the inner layer are presented in Fig. 5.21. *Similar profiles of energy are clearly observed for either case.* The energy change for the inner layer of the undisturbed wall jet using analogous reference energy and length scales, viz.,  $1/2 \rho U_{mj}^*$  and  $\delta_{mj}^*$ , is also shown in the figure. As expected, the local energy of the combined flow is larger than that of the wall jet in the downstream domain. On the other hand, in the upstream domain, where the shear flow opposes the wall jet, the local energy is smaller than that of the wall jet. Thus, the interaction between the wall jet and the shear flow occurred on either side of the jet stagnation streamline.

Profiles of energy distribution for both zones of the outer layer are shown in Fig. 5.22. In each zone, *similarity variation of energy is observed by the approximate collapse of the results on two distinct upstream and downstream curves.* Since it is interesting to compare the energy in the outer layer to that of the unperturbed wall jet, the energy of the latter is also depicted in Fig. 5.22. For the sake of comparison, the outer layer of the unperturbed wall jet was divided into two zones using the same definitions as for the combined flow. The jet energy in the two zones is made dimensionless using  $1/2 \rho U_{ij}^{*2}$ , where  $i = 1, 2$  respectively. Recall that for a wall jet  $U_0^*$  is zero by definition. Dimensionless excess heights employed for these two zones are identical to those used for the combined flow. The local energy of the combined flow for both upstream and downstream domains is seen to be larger than that of wall jet except for a small region close to the lower edge of Zone II. Recall that for the inner layer a different behavior was obtained. The fact that the local wall-jet energy is smaller than that of the combined flow in both domains stems from the respective energy scales employed. In both zones of the outer layer the energy in the downstream domain attenuates more rapidly than for the upstream side. In Zone I, the rates of decrease of energy do not differ significantly in either flow domain. This indicates that the interactions within this zone on both sides are roughly of the same strength. On the other hand, in Zone II, the energy decrease on the downstream side is much larger than that in the upstream domain. For example, the local energy for the downstream side decays to 60% of its maximum value, while a corresponding decrease to only 80% is observed for the upstream flow.



This is attributed to a concomitant decrease in interaction between the wall-jet outer layer and the shear flow in the downstream side.

It is important to note that the energy variation indicates the occurrence of interaction and eventually permits evaluation of its strength. Furthermore, *the local similarity obtained, clearly shows that all mean flow properties exhibit experimental similitude.*

### 5.5 Turbulence Intensity Survey

Vertical variations of the longitudinal turbulence intensity based on the local mean velocity

$$T_u = u_{\text{rms}}^* / \bar{U}^*(z^*), \quad (5.18)$$

were measured simultaneously with the mean velocity measurements. Turbulence profiles for both downstream and upstream domains are presented in Fig. 5.23 and Fig. 5.24, respectively, where the vertical coordinate is made dimensionless using the local total boundary-layer thickness  $\delta_2^*$ . The variations of turbulence intensity on the downstream side are qualitatively similar to that obtained in the case of a wall jet [6].

On the other hand, in the upstream domain, the turbulent intensity changes resemble, by and large, channel flow turbulence variations [17].

Similitude in mean velocities was obtained in each region using the corresponding characteristic velocity or characteristic excess velocity. Consequently, it is important to observe the behavior of turbulence intensity on either side of the jet stagnation streamline, when the rms value of the fluctuating velocity is made dimensionless with respect to the characteristic velocity of each region. Thus, within the inner layer

the turbulence intensity is defined as

$$T_{um} = u_{rms}^* / \bar{U}_m^* . \quad (5.19)$$

In the outer layer, the turbulence intensity in Zones I and II are

$$T_{u1} = u_{rms}^* / (\bar{U}_m^* - \bar{U}_0^*) , \quad (5.20)$$

and

$$T_{u2} = u_{rms}^* / (\bar{U}_1^* - \bar{U}_0^*) , \quad (5.21)$$

respectively. Next, in order to obtain a similarity variation of turbulence intensity, the same zonal length scales as for the mean velocity are employed. Basically, similarity variation of the flow properties is ensured from using both zonal characteristic velocity and length. Thus, in the inner layer the height is made dimensionless utilizing its thickness  $\delta_m^*$ . In the two zones of the outer layer the dimensionless excess heights  $\zeta_1$  and  $\zeta_2$  based on the zonal thicknesses  $\delta_1^* - \delta_m^*$  and  $\delta_2^* - \delta_1^*$ , respectively, are employed.

The turbulence intensity variation in the inner layer is shown in Fig. 5.25. All the upstream and the downstream profiles are approximated by two distinct curves. The higher level of turbulence in the upstream domain is caused by the penetration of the inner layer by the counterflow.

Vertical variations of turbulence intensity in Zones I and II of the outer layer are portrayed in Fig. 5.26 and Fig. 5.27, respectively.

All the results for the downstream flow collapse approximately onto a single curve. For the upstream domain, variations of turbulence intensity at stations  $x = -12$  and  $-24$  are coalescent. No similarity was obtained in the upstream domain at  $x = -6$ . This is attributed to the location of this station. Recall that the established flow domain starts at about 8 in from the jet stagnation point. Higher levels of turbulence are always prevalent in the downstream domain. It is important to notice that the mean energy exhibits an opposite behavior (see Figs. 5.21 and 5.22). Thus, the use of *appropriate velocity and length scales led to experimental similitude of turbulence intensity.*

## 6. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The experimental results presented in this work indicate that the variation of the mean quantities of the flow resulting from the interaction of a spreading turbulent wall jet on a smooth surface and a shear flow exhibit similarity. The combined flow was formed by a downward-directed circular jet injected normally to a moving shear stream. As a result of the interaction, it was found that the impinging jet stagnation streamline is deflected in the direction of the shear flow. The interaction was observed to occur on both sides of the axis of the impinging jet. Its overall strength differed, depending upon the relative directions of the two interacting flows. In the upstream domain, viz., the domain where the wall-jet velocity opposes the shear flow, stronger mixing was observed and flow reversal occurred. The reversal was monitored at heights beyond the thickness of the boundary layer of the combined flow. In the downstream domain, viz., the domain where both wall-jet velocity and shear flow were coaxial, the occurrence of the interaction was inferred from the energy change.

Similar variation of mean velocity was found to prevail within both flow domains provided that the boundary layer is divided into three characteristic regions and adequate similarity scales are employed. Since the velocity profiles possessed a maximum velocity, the flow was divided into an inner and an outer layer. These layers were delineated, based on the local maximum excess velocity, to distinguish from a simple wall-jet flow. The excess velocity was defined in terms of the local free-stream velocity peculiar to this flow. The outer layer, due to the nature of the velocity change, was subdivided into two zones of equal thickness, viz., Zone I or lower half and Zone II or upper half. Within

each region, velocity and length scales were formulated. In the inner layer the local maximum velocity was used as the similarity velocity scale. For the two zones of the outer layer the local maximum excess velocities were defined as the velocity scales. The thicknesses of the three regions were employed as the length scales. A similar mean velocity variation within each region was obtained despite the fact that neither the velocity scales nor the length scales exhibited a definite change with the longitudinal distance. On the other hand, computation of the shape factor based on the characteristic velocity scales resulted in constant values for it. This result substantiated the similarity in mean velocity change. Moreover, these regional shape factors can be considered as being characteristic to this flow.

The use of analogous scales led to similar variation of the mean energy within the three regions of the flow. Basically, the energy change can be used as an indication of the strength of the interaction. In the inner layer the energy in the downstream domain was everywhere larger than that of a wall jet. On the other hand, in the upstream domain the energy was smaller than that of a wall jet. Within the two zones of the outer layer the energy in both domains was greater than that of a wall jet. Thus, the interaction was stronger in the outer layer.

Similar turbulence intensity profiles were obtained within each region of the flow when the rms value of the turbulent fluctuation velocity was made dimensionless employing the respective similarity velocity scales. In the inner layer the turbulence intensity was higher in the upstream domain due to the opposing shear flow. Within the two zones of the outer layer the turbulence intensity was larger in the

downstream domain indicating the high level of turbulence of this flow.

In conclusion, the division of the flow into three characteristic regions, and formulation of velocity and length scales based on the nature of velocity variation, yielded similar variation of both mean velocity and turbulence intensity.

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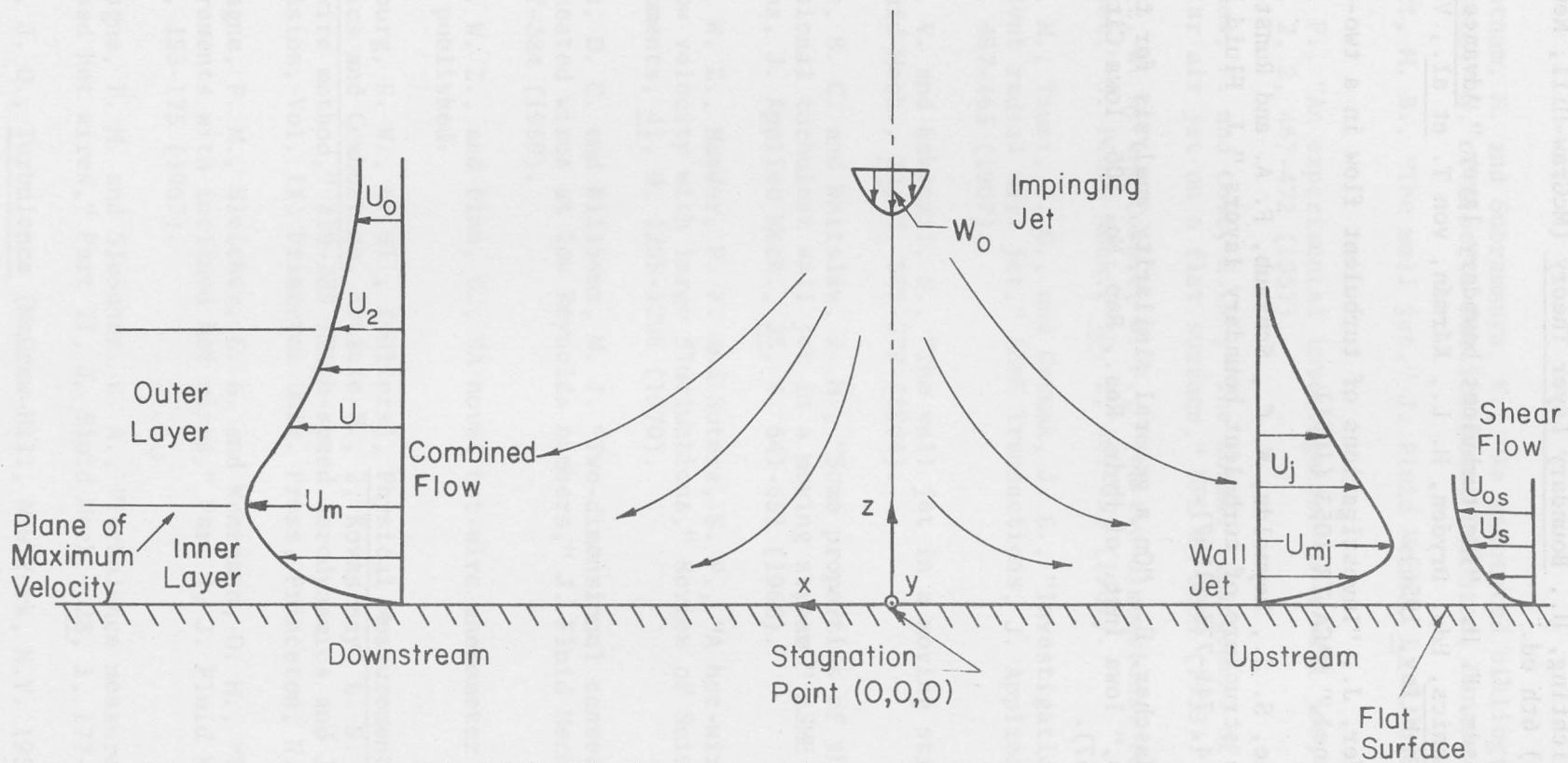


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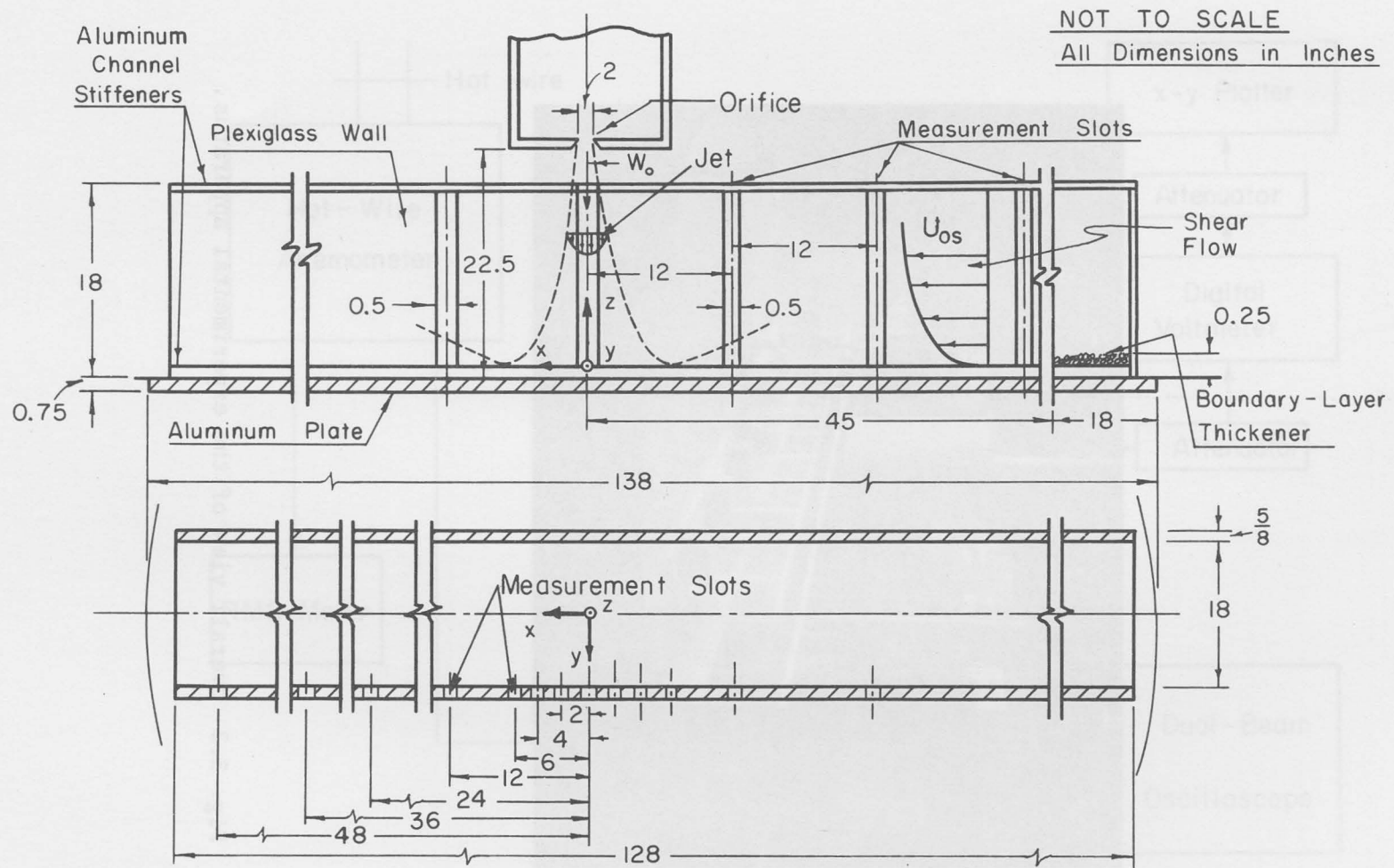


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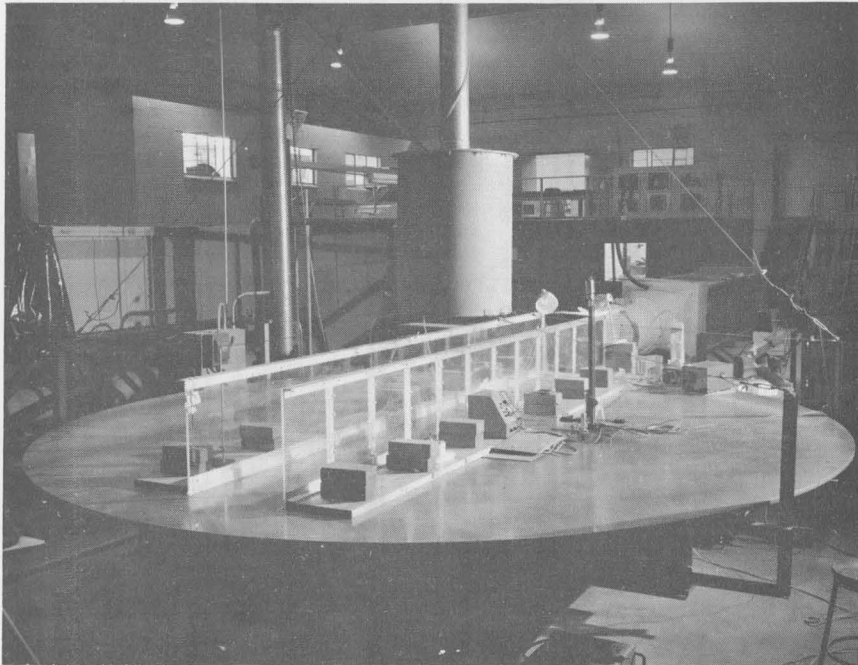


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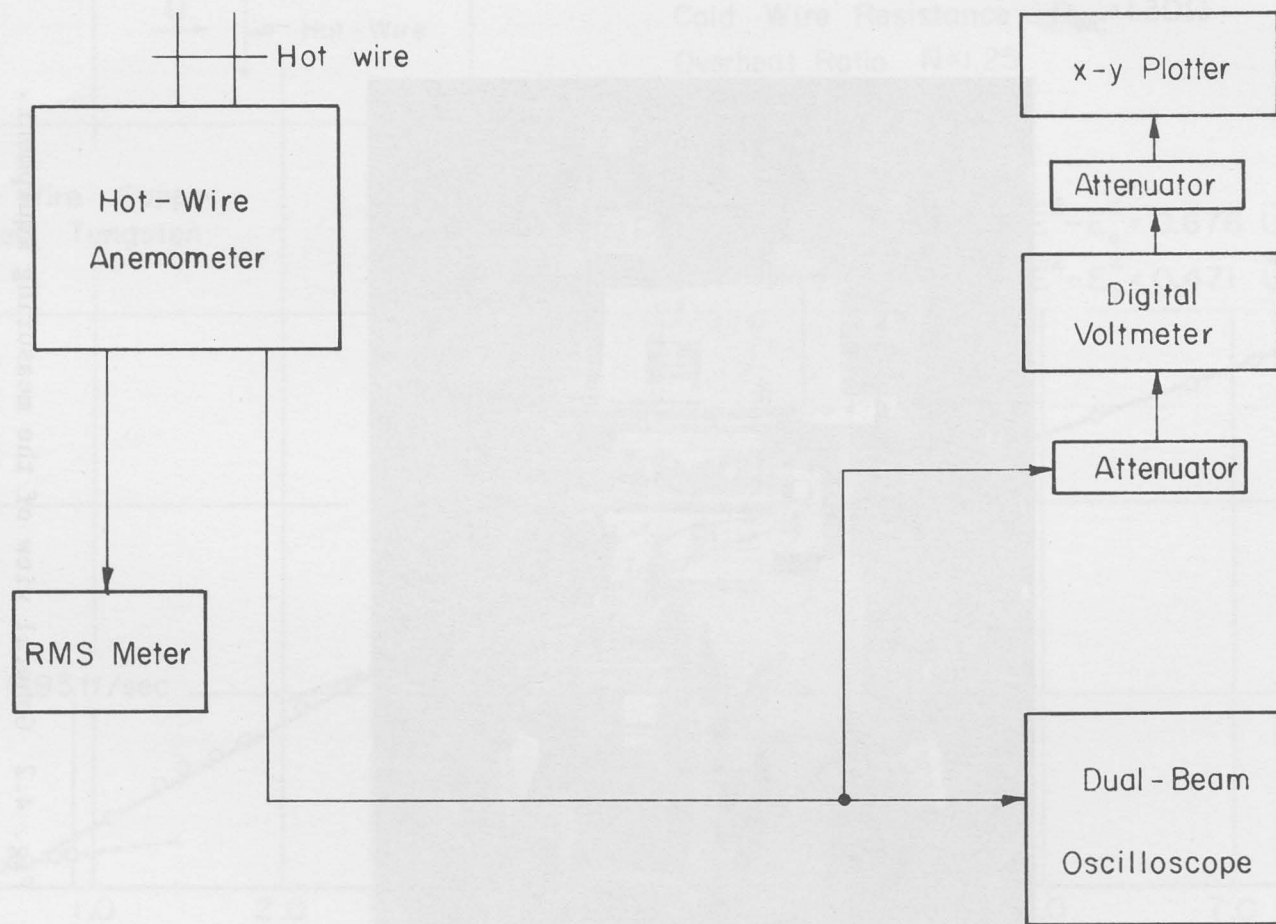


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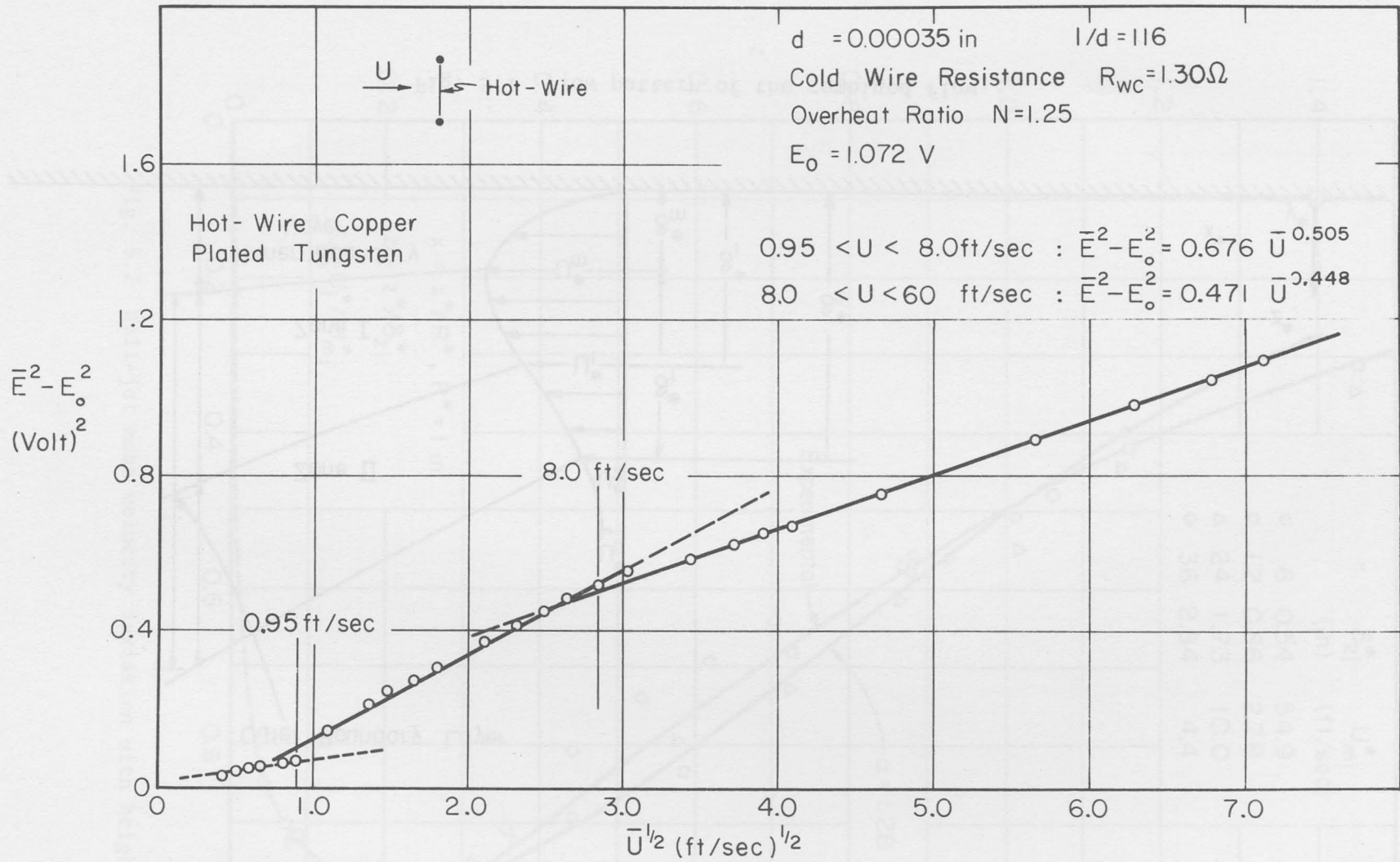


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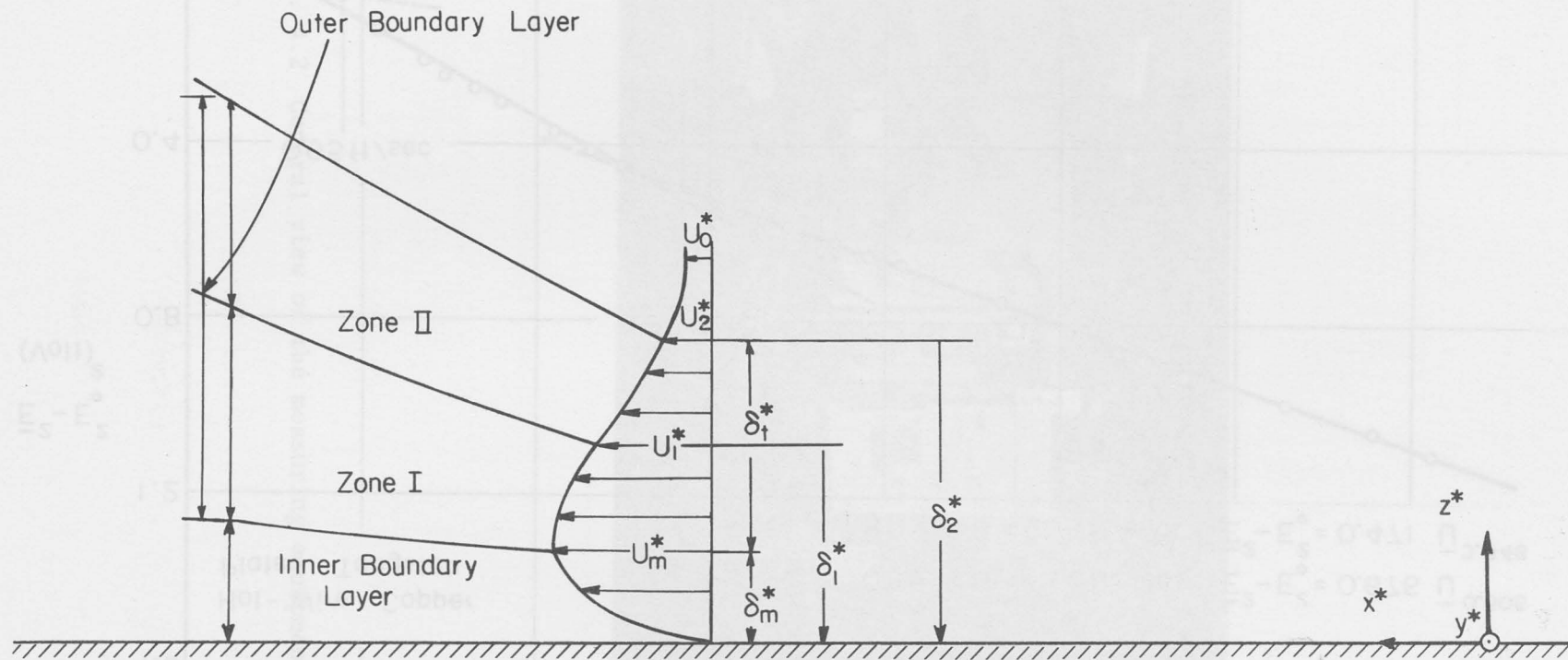


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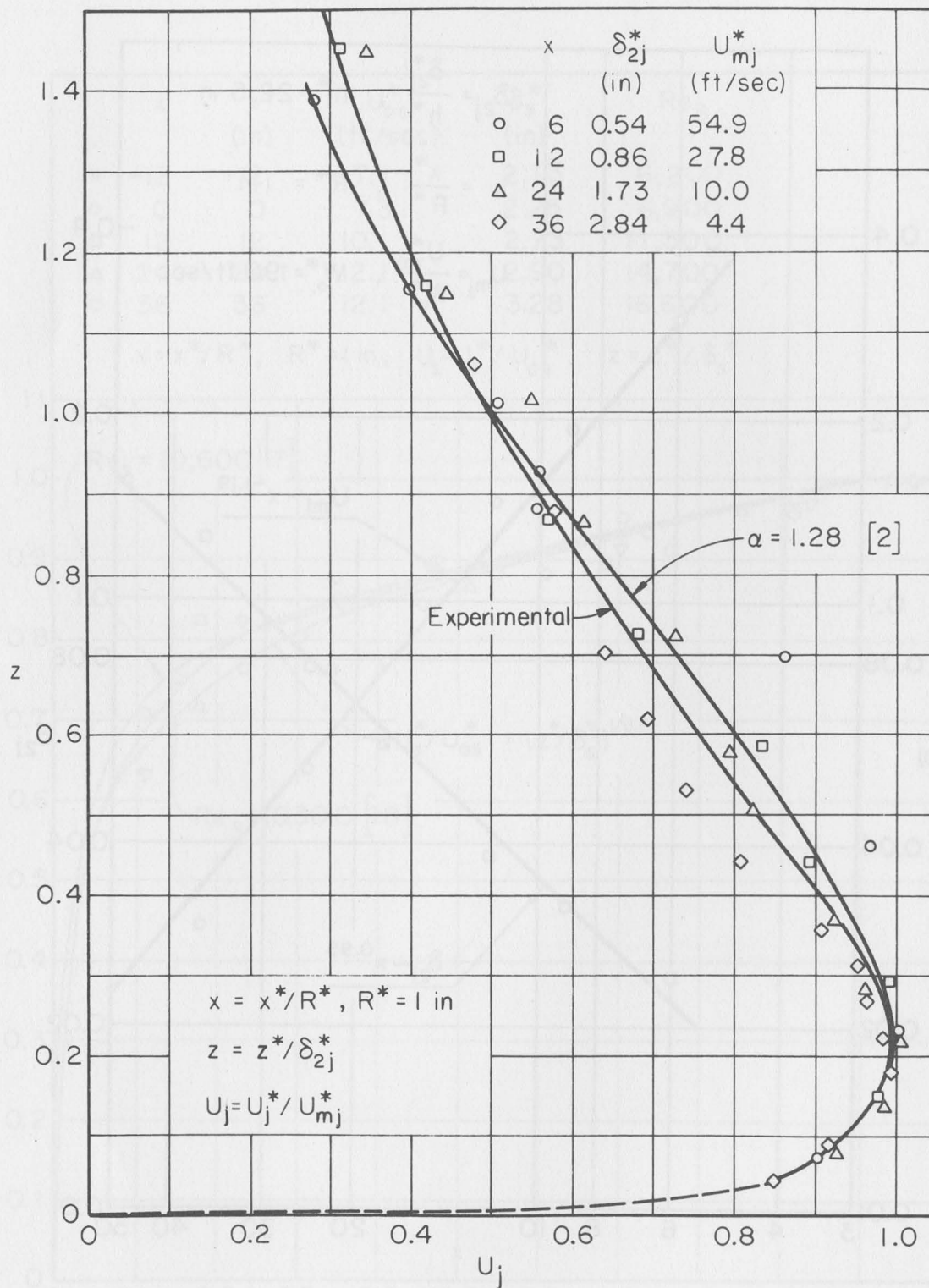


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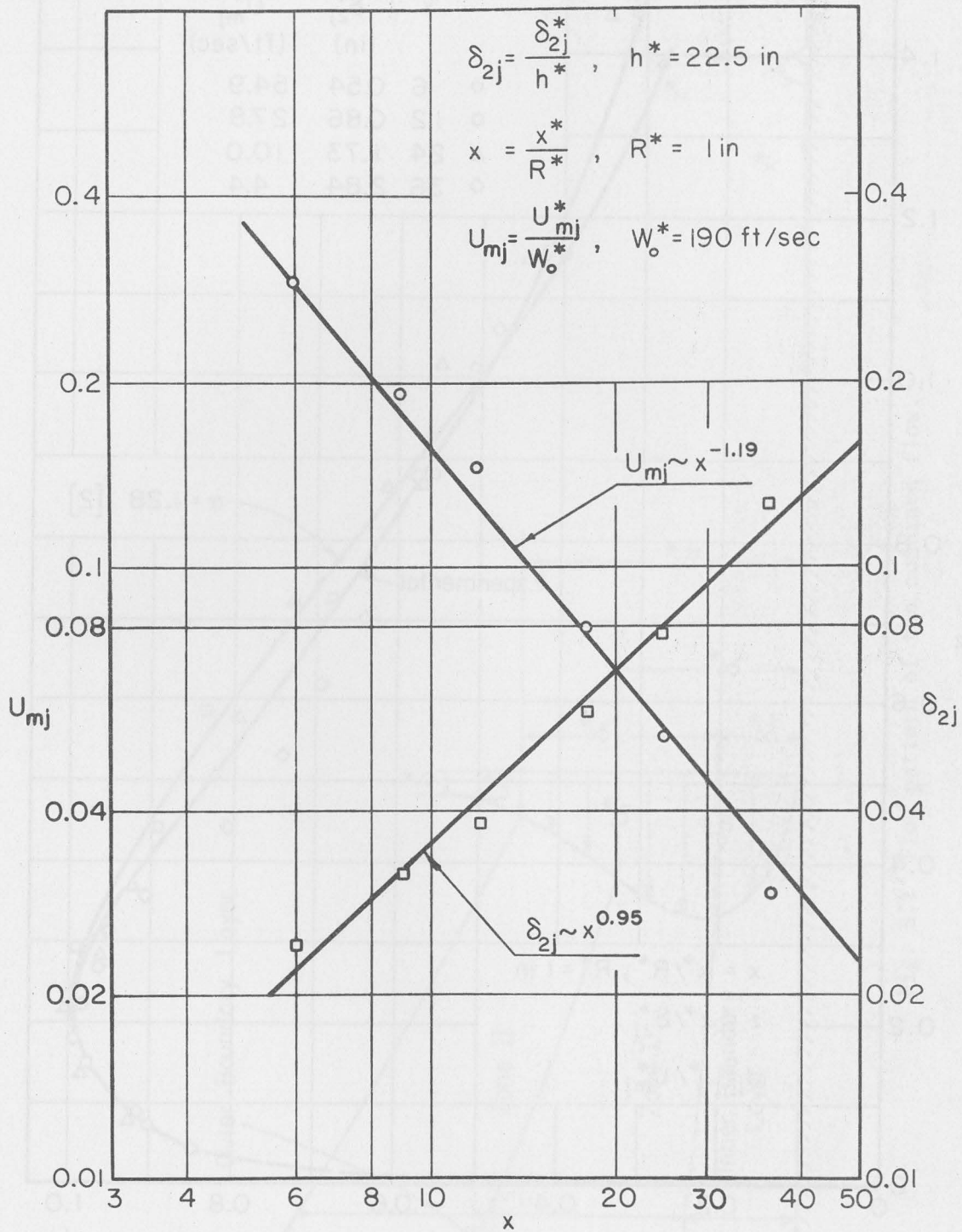


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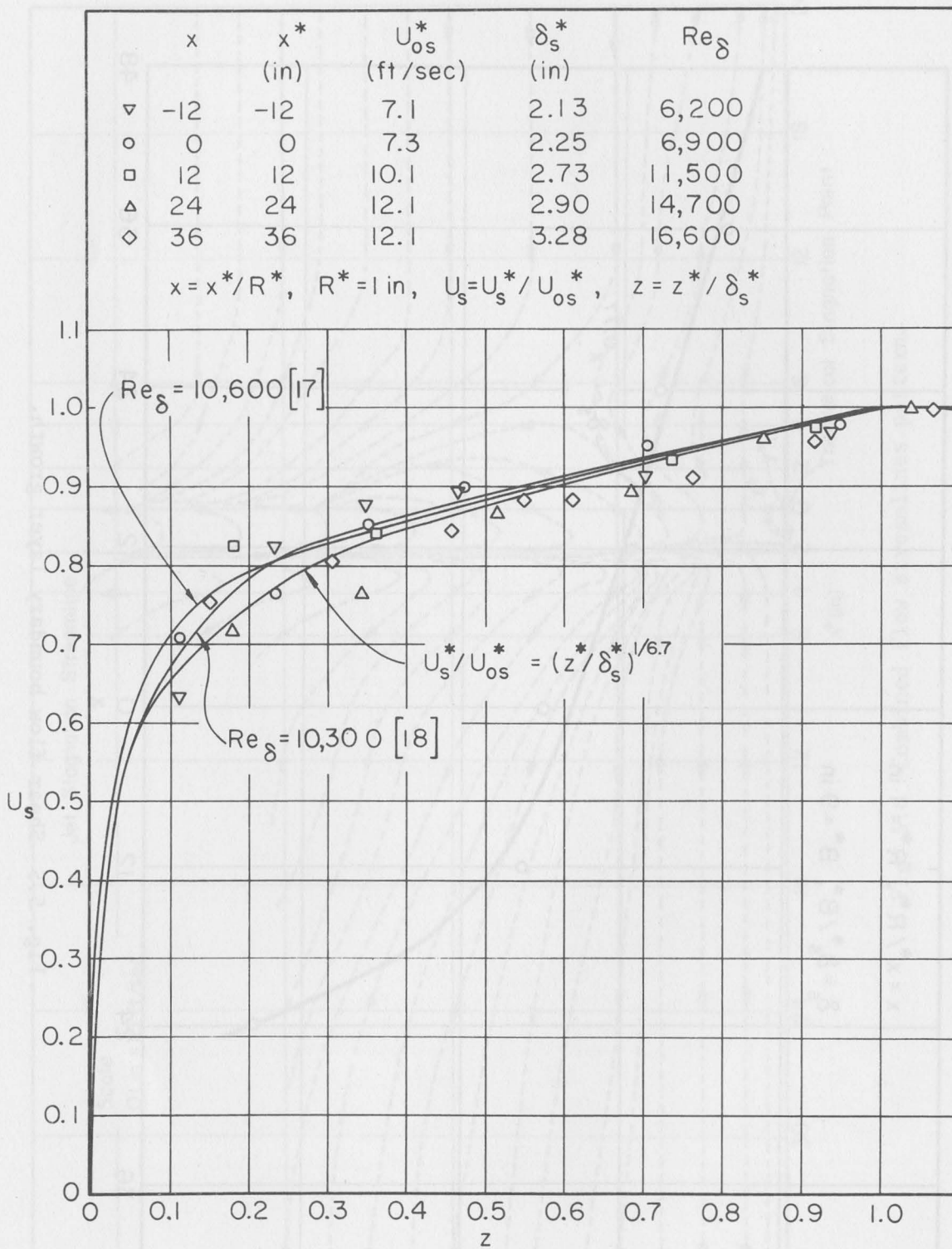


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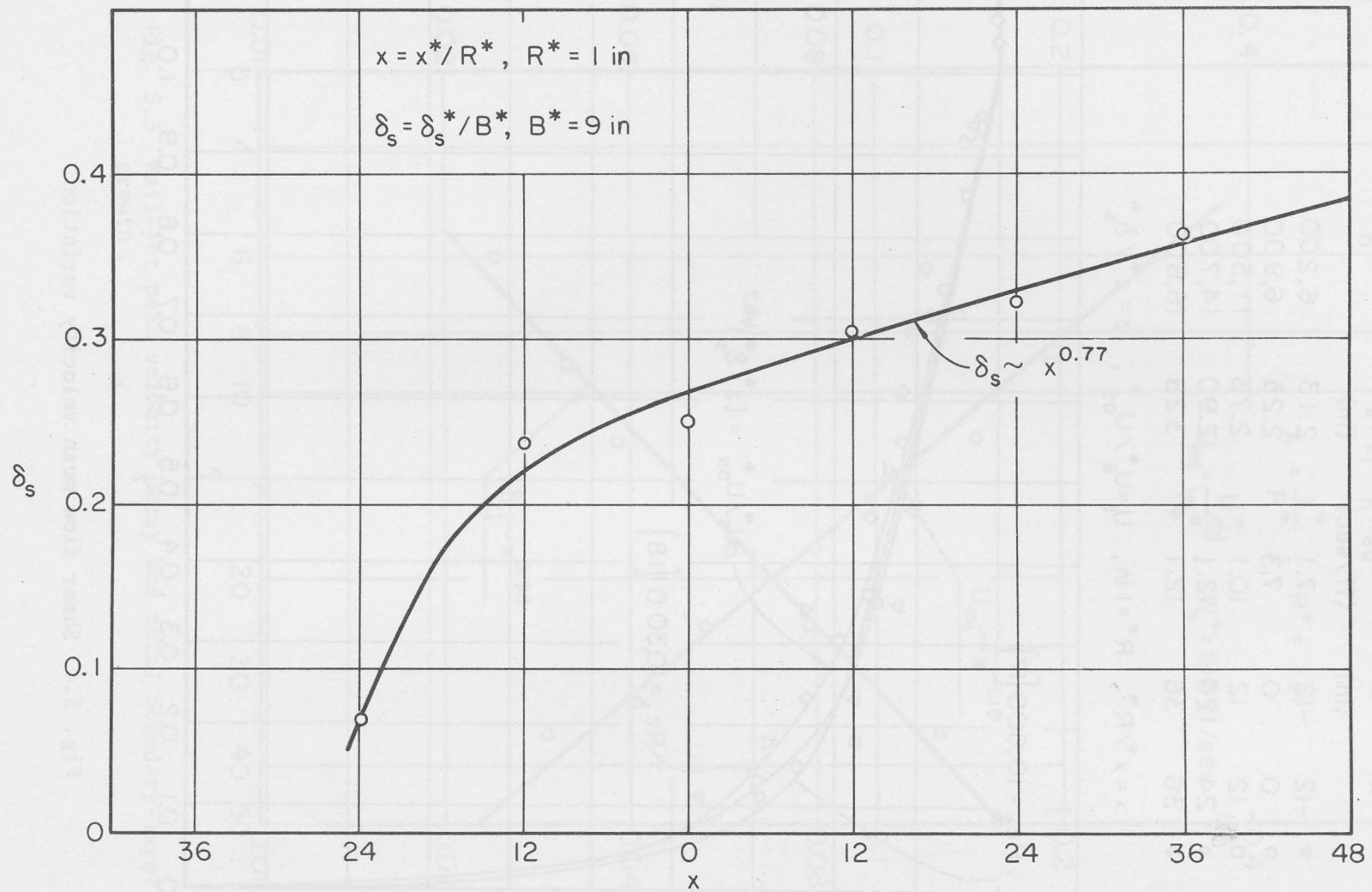


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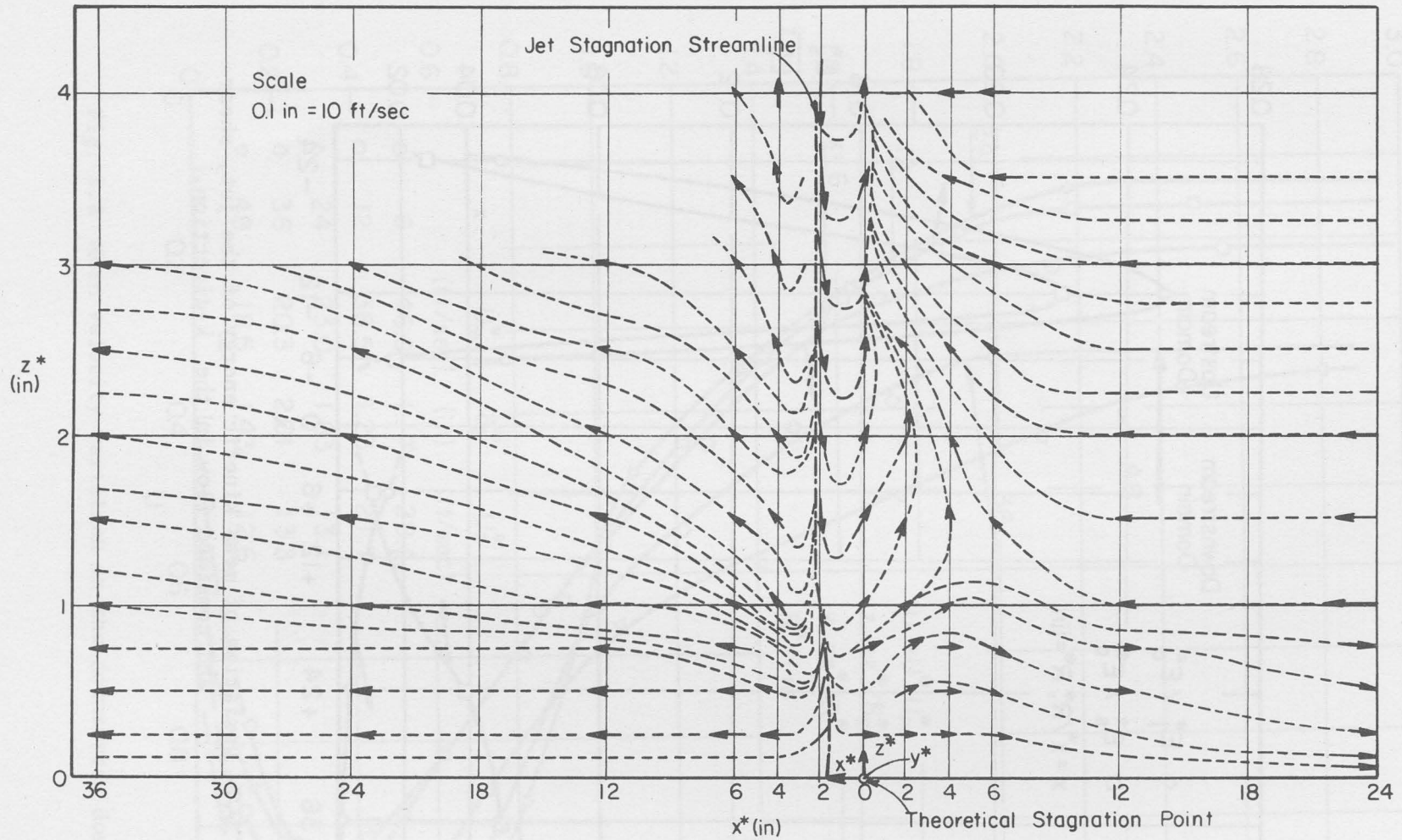


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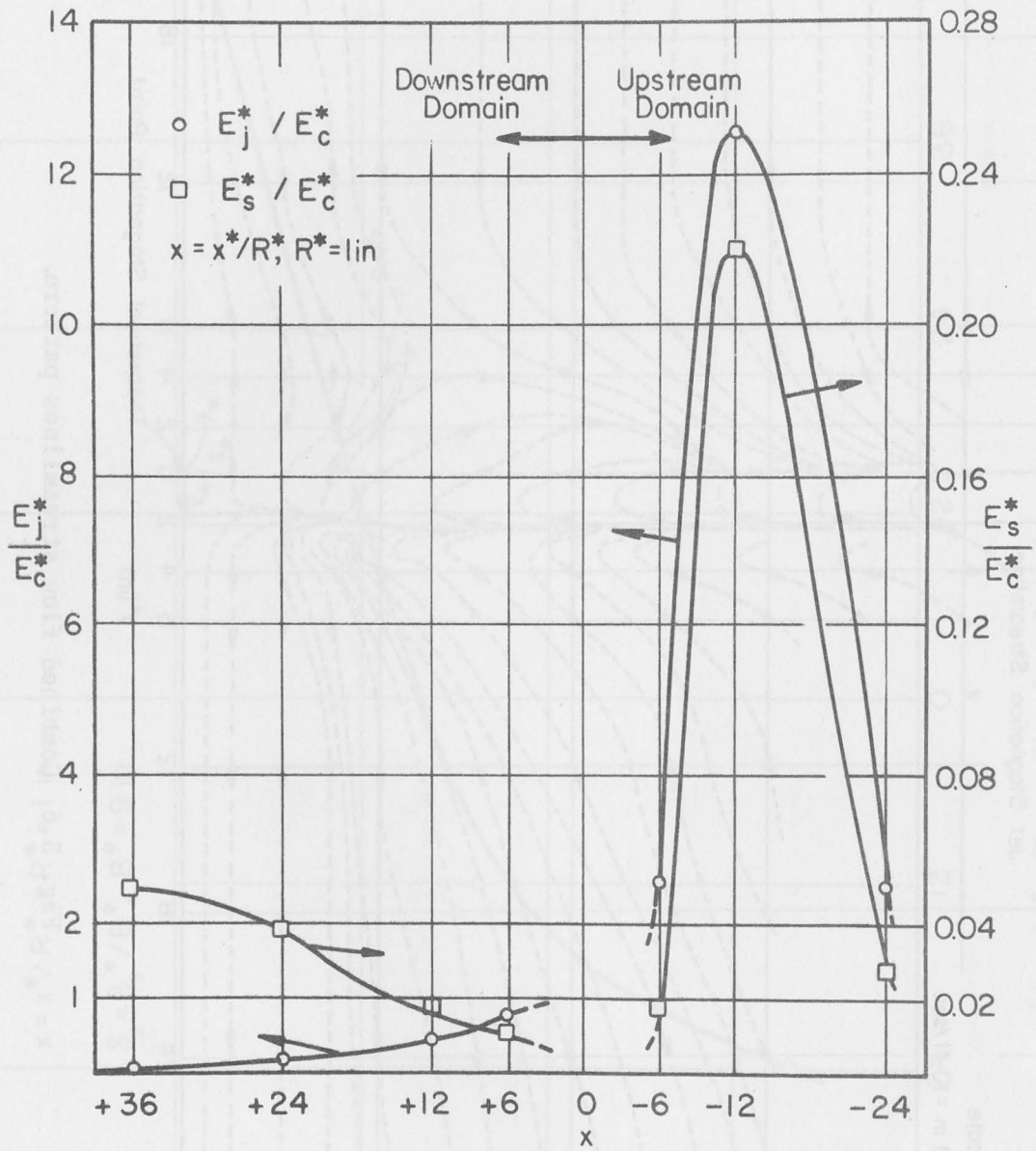


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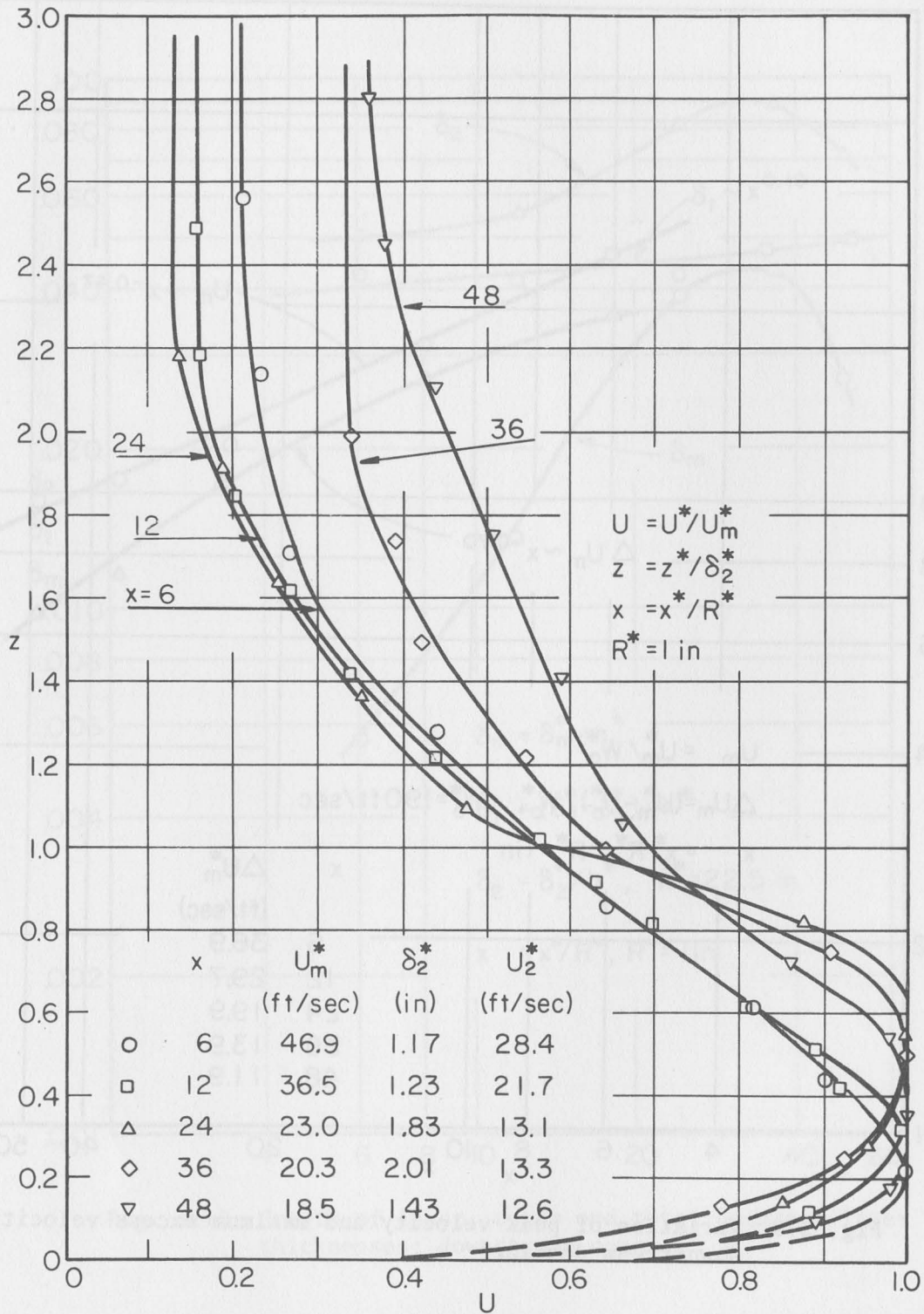


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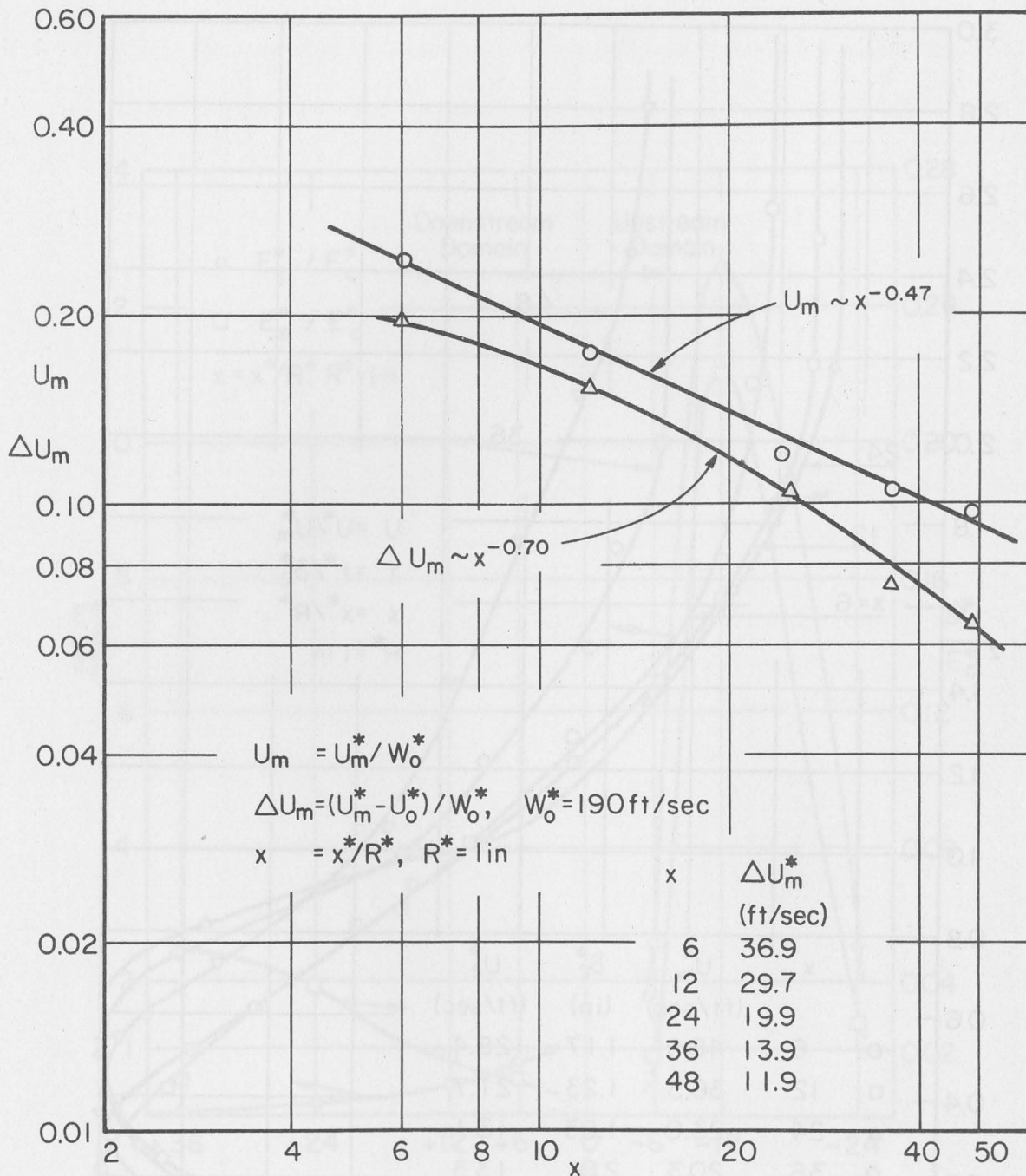


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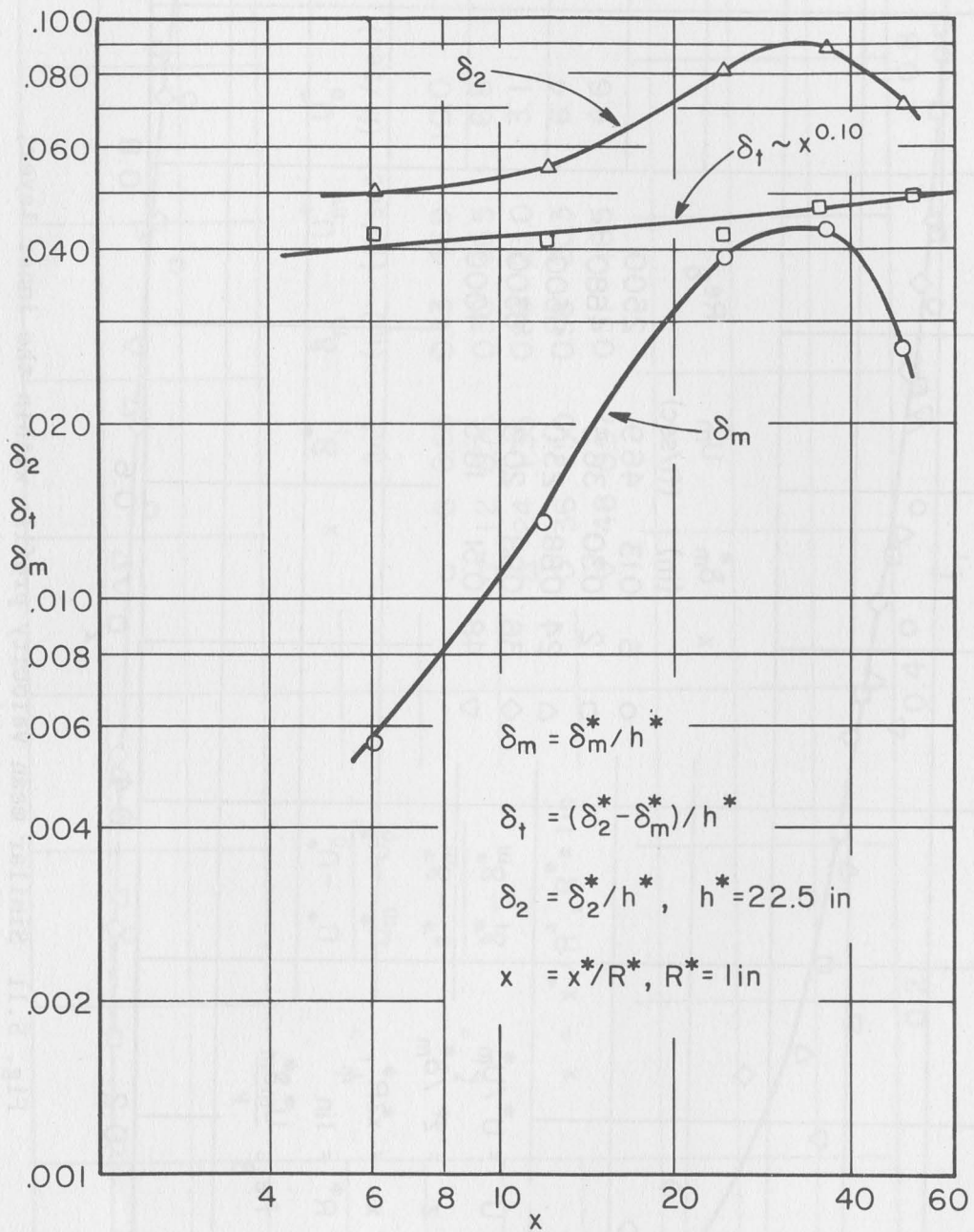


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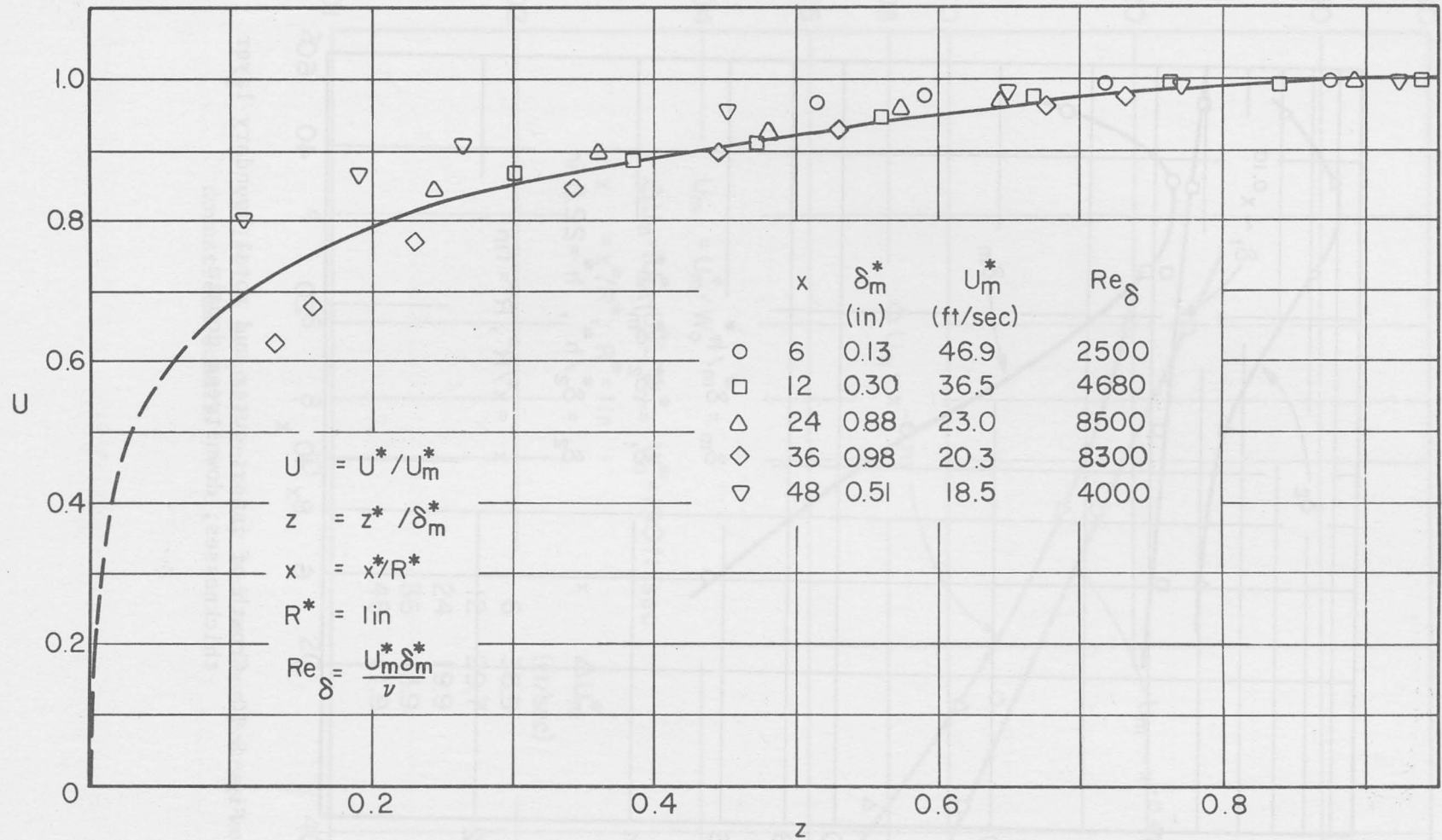


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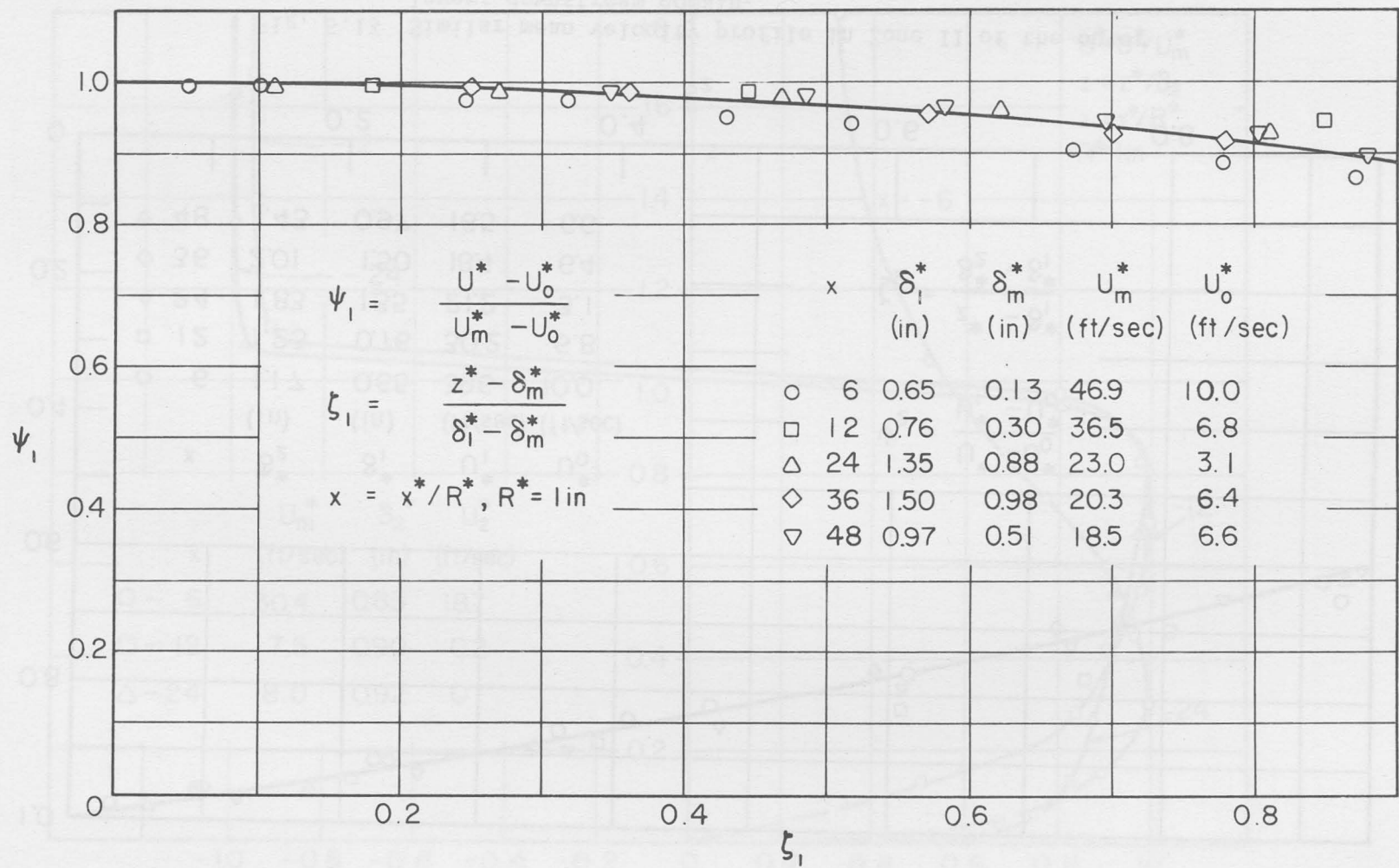


Fig. 5.12 Similar mean velocity profile in Zone I of the outer layer; downstream domain .

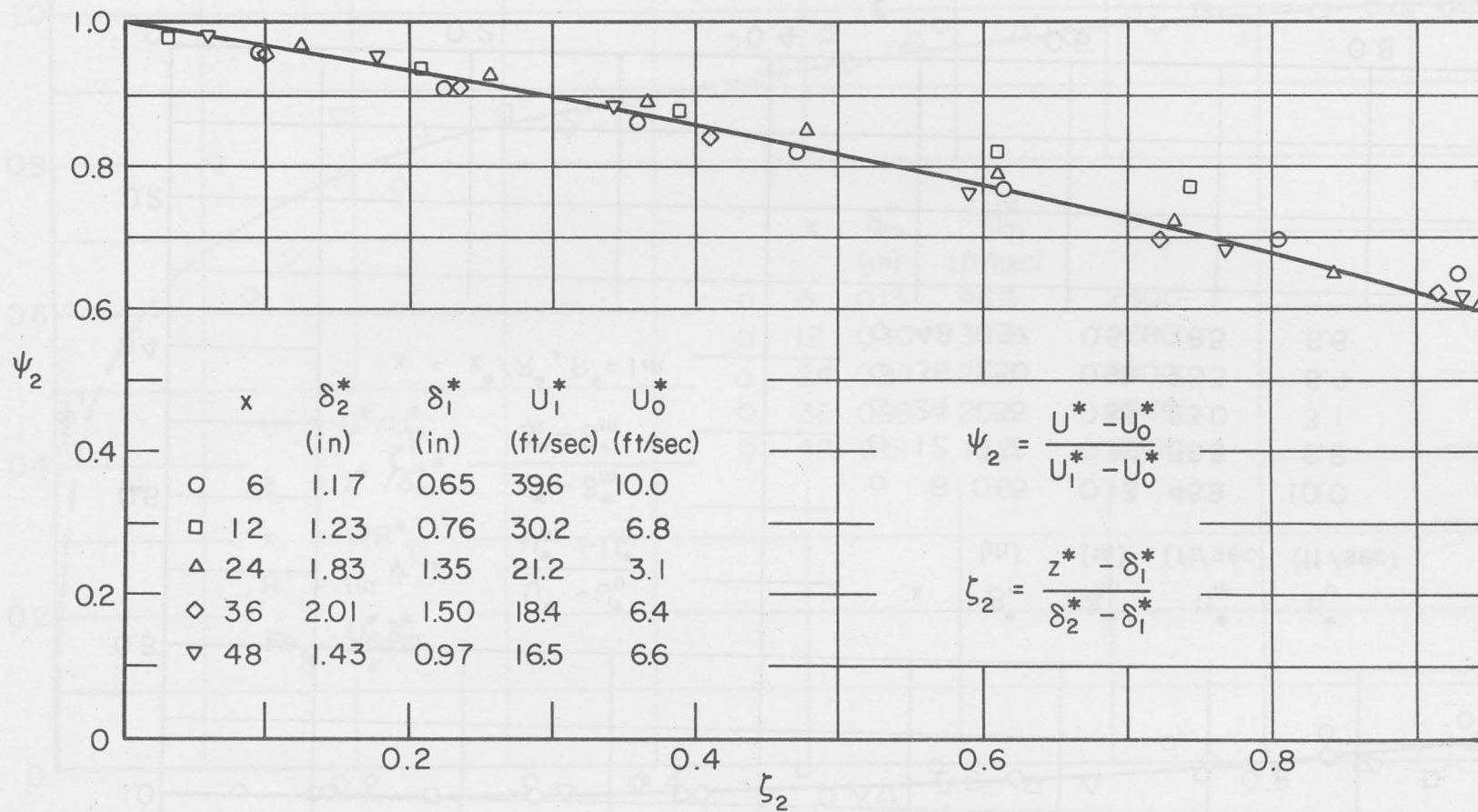


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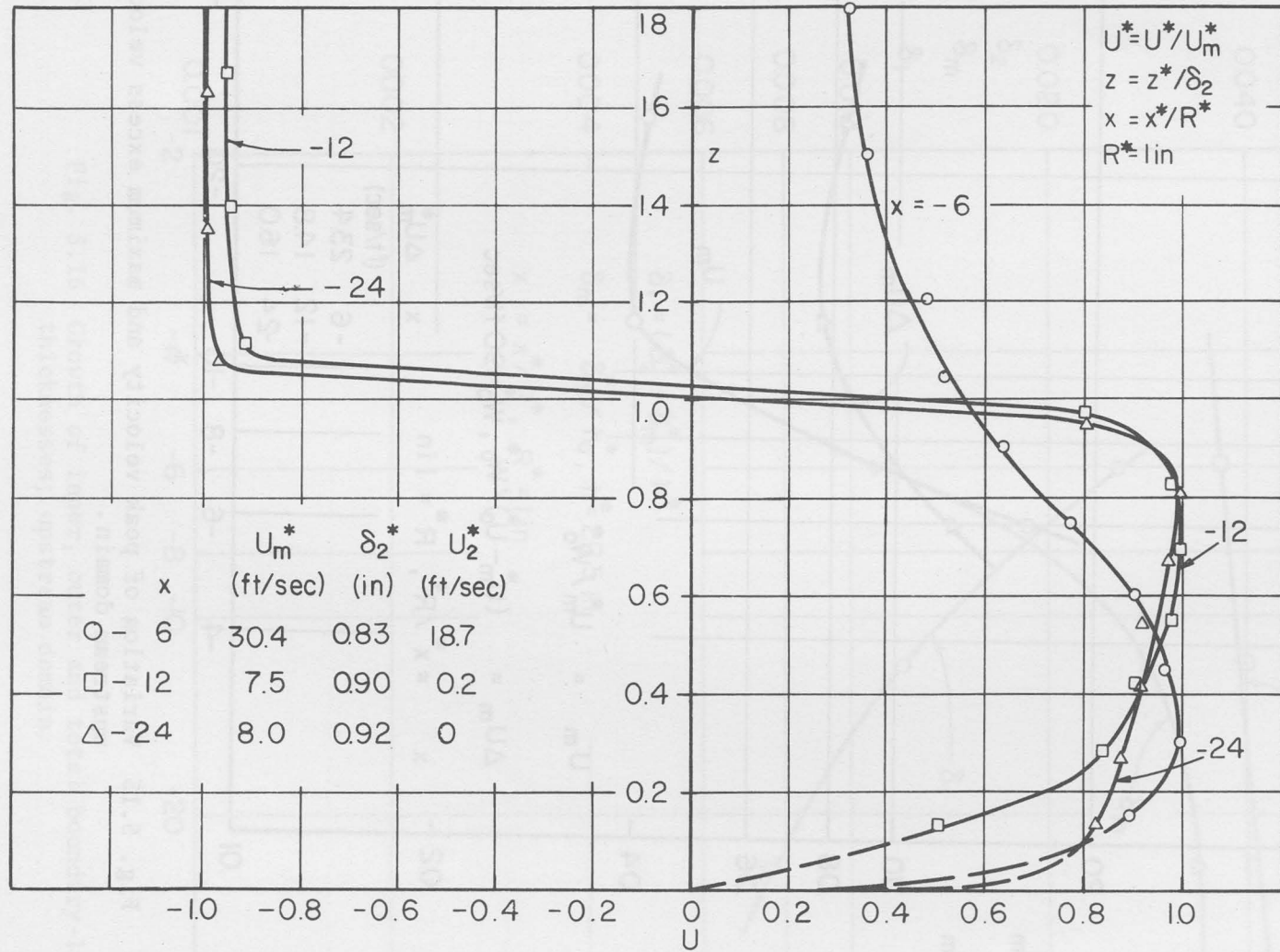


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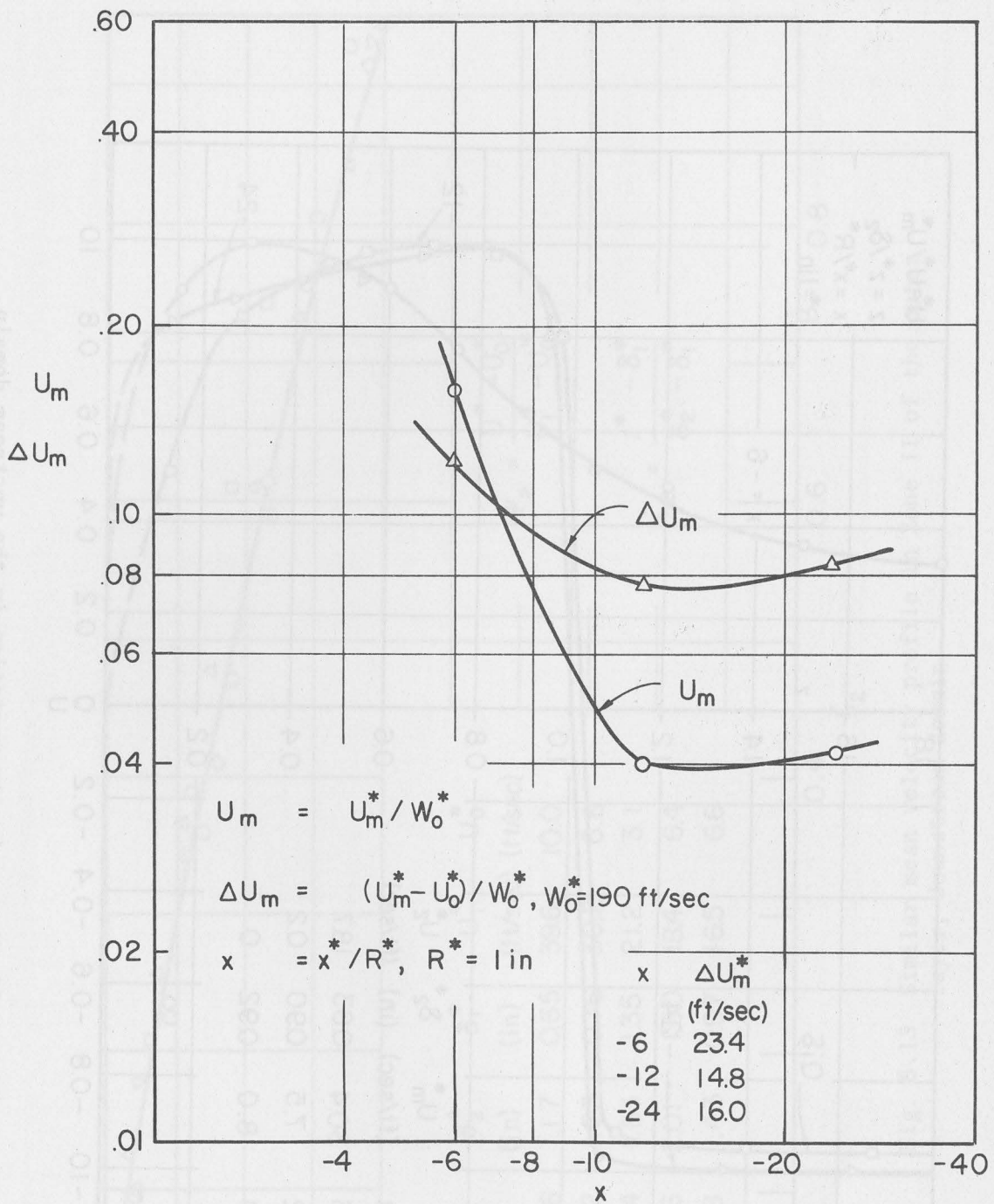


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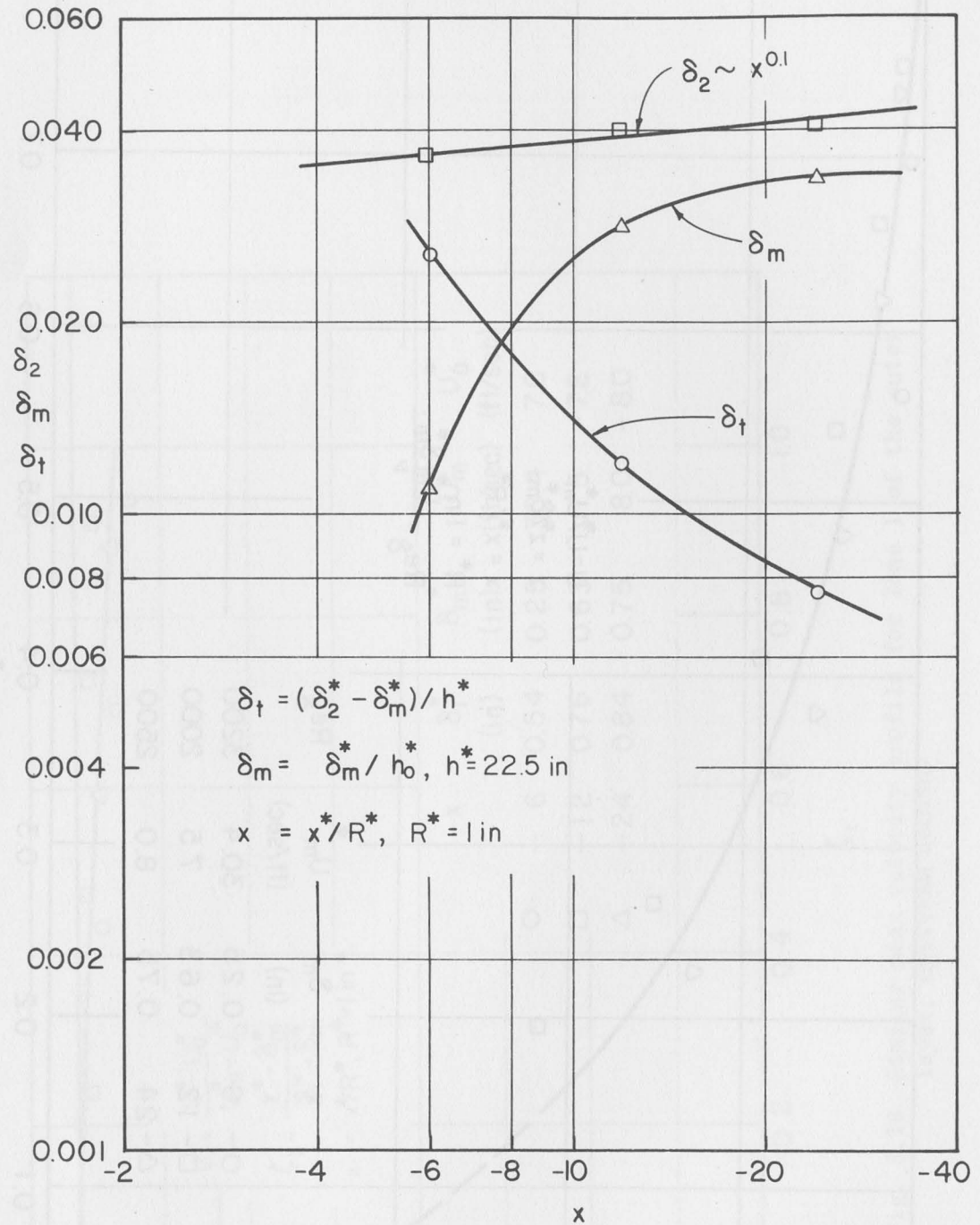


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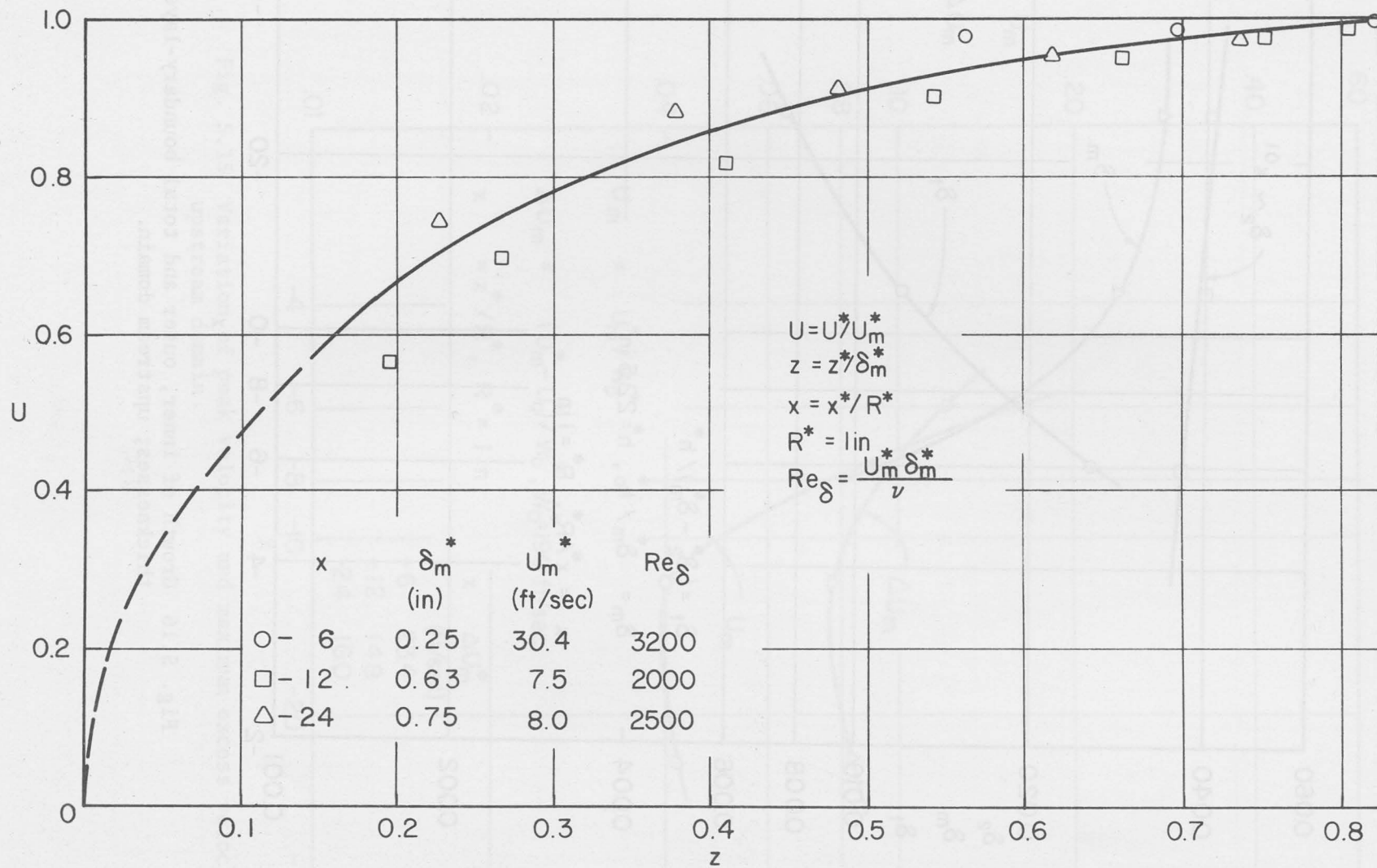


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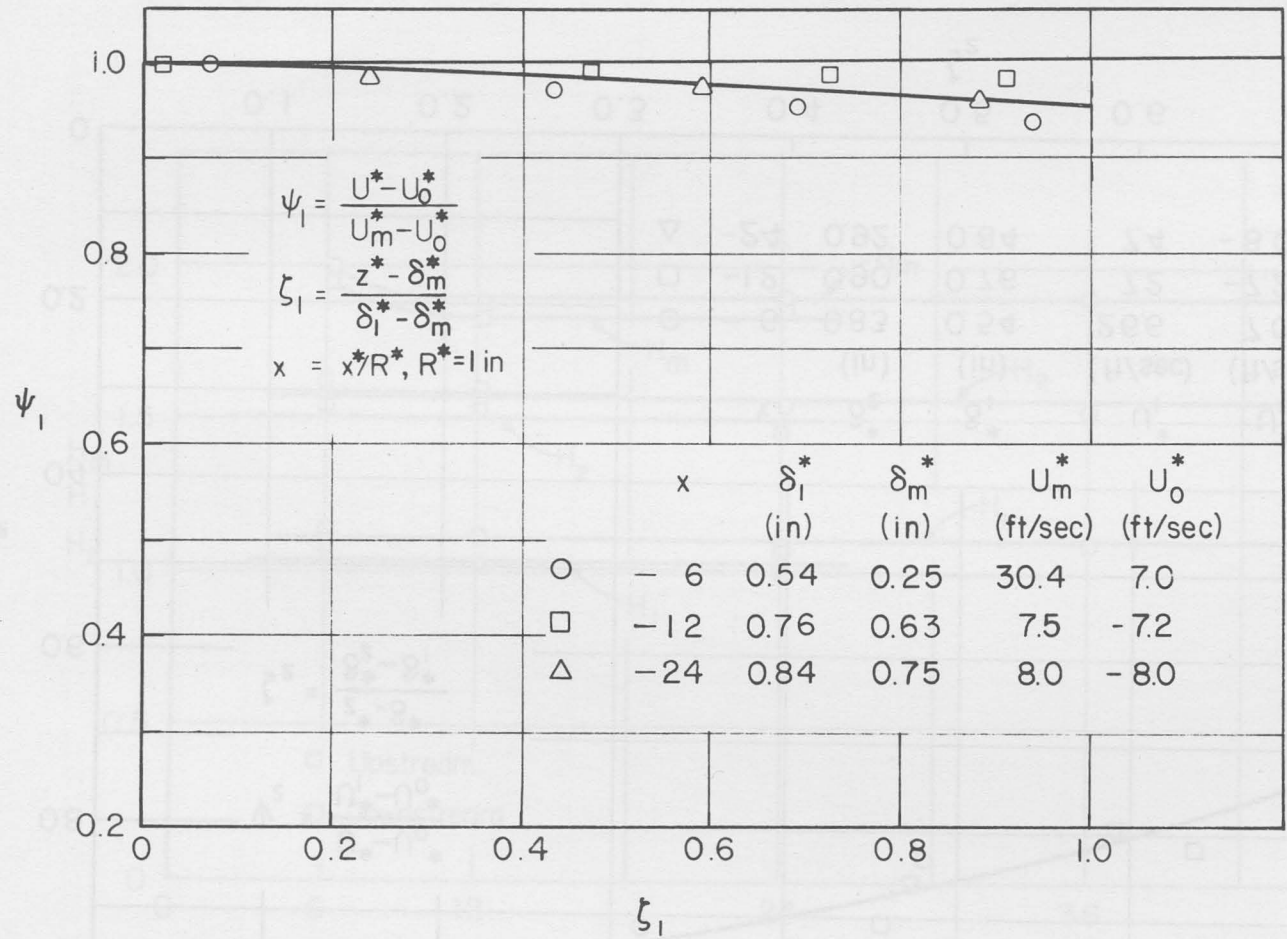


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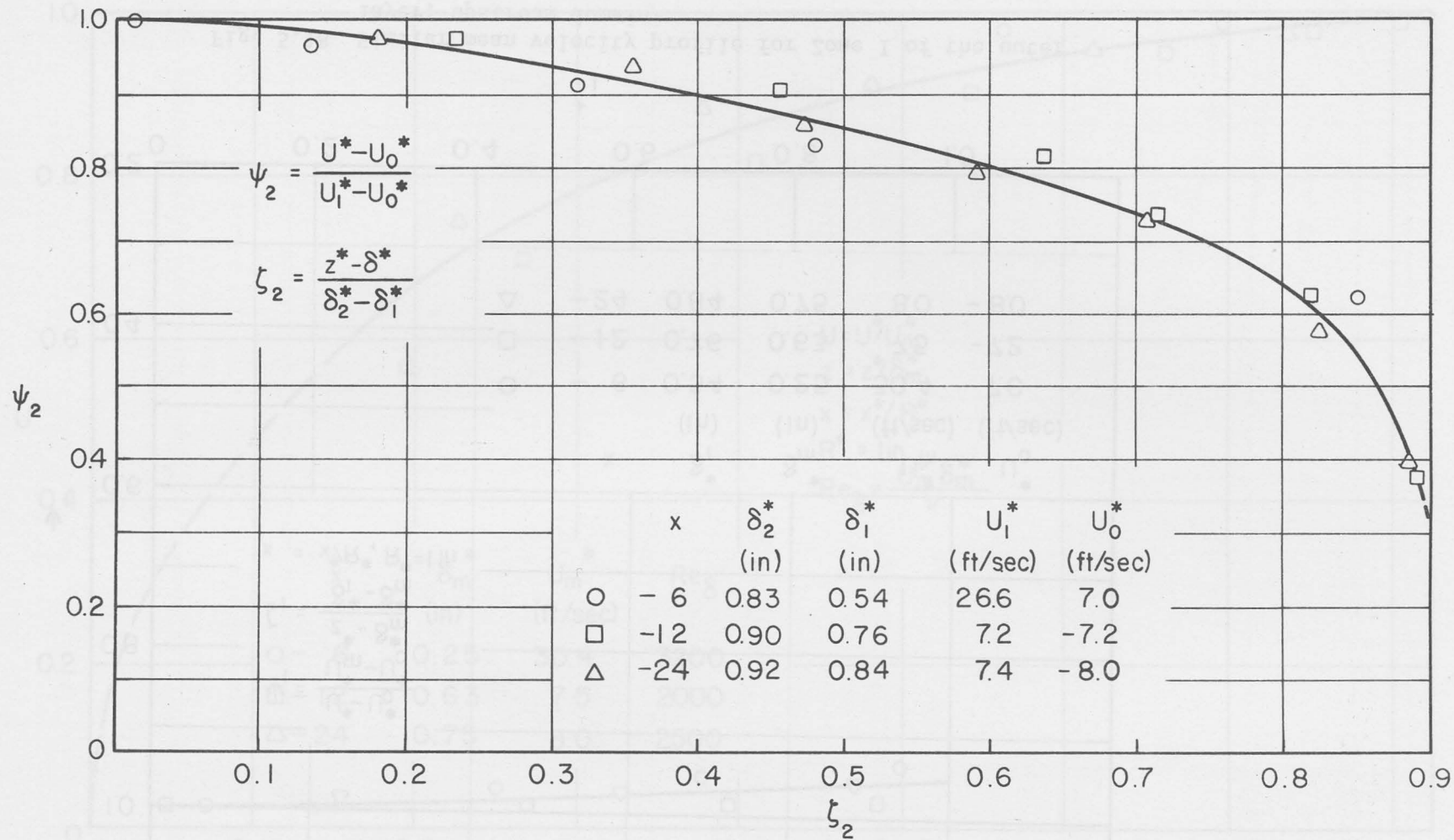


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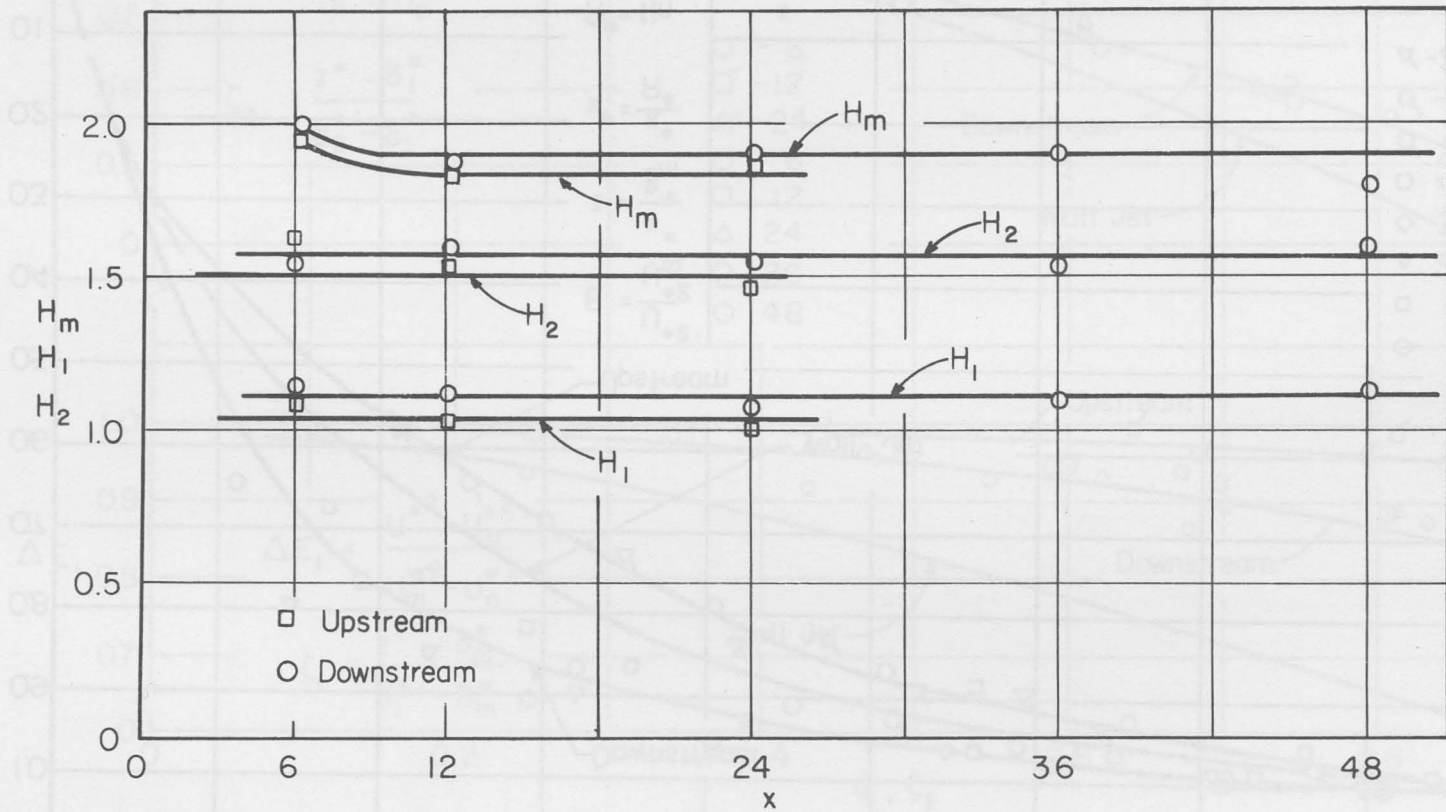


Fig. 5.20 Variation of the shape factor within the inner layer and the two zones of the outer layer for both flow domains.

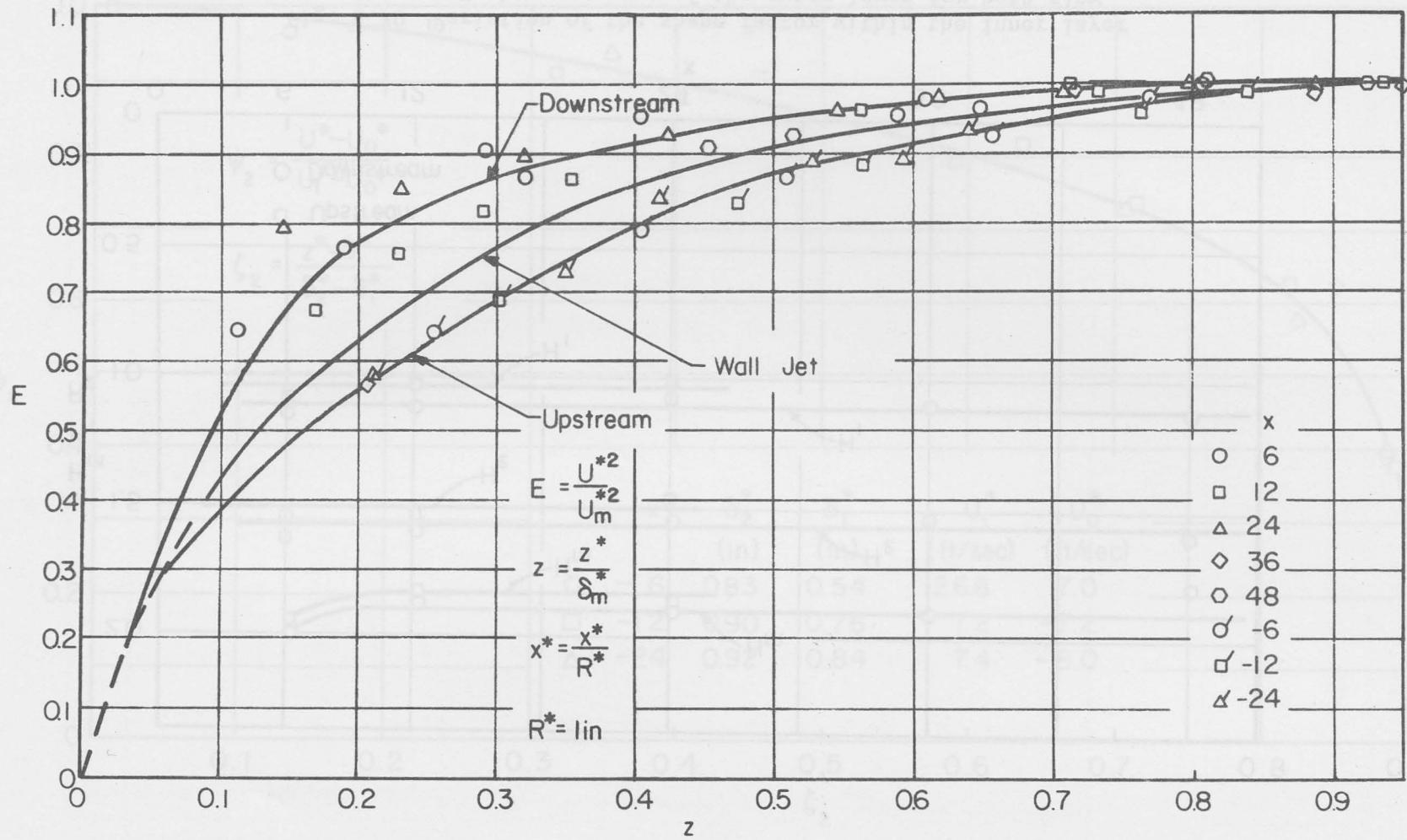


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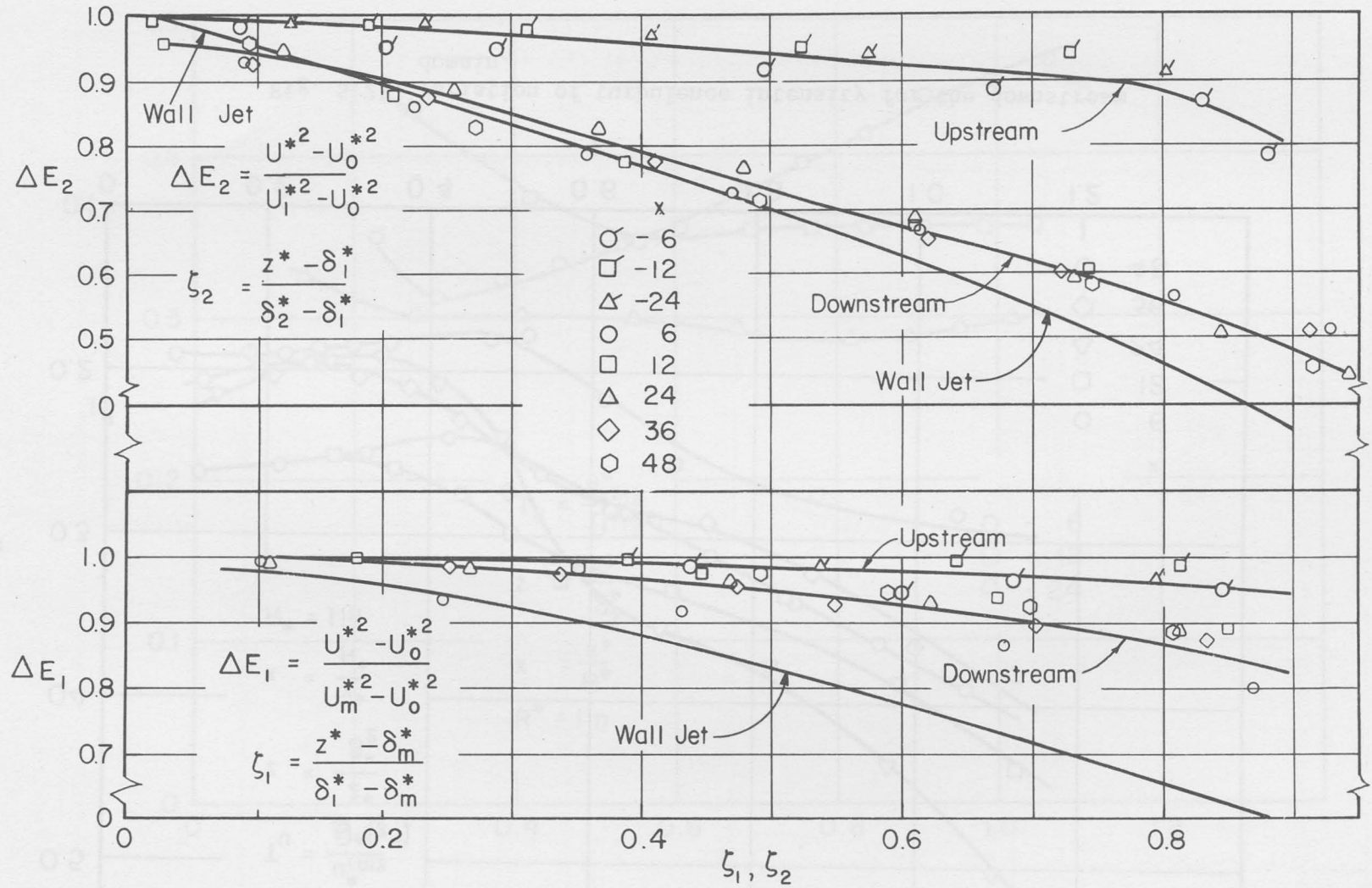


Fig. 5.22 Change of mean kinetic energy in the two zones of the outer layer for both flow domains.

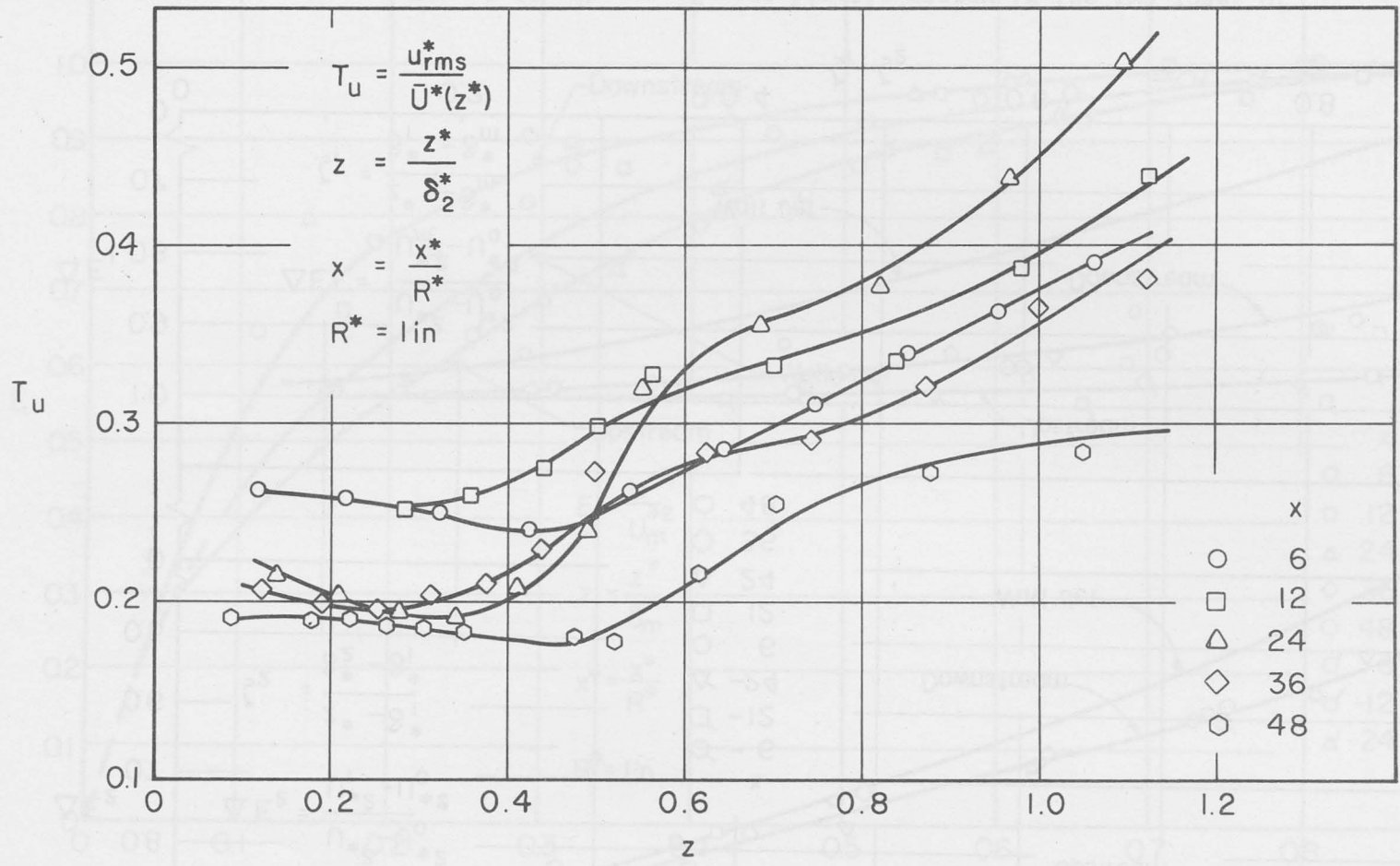


Fig. 5.23 Variation of turbulence intensity for the downstream domain.

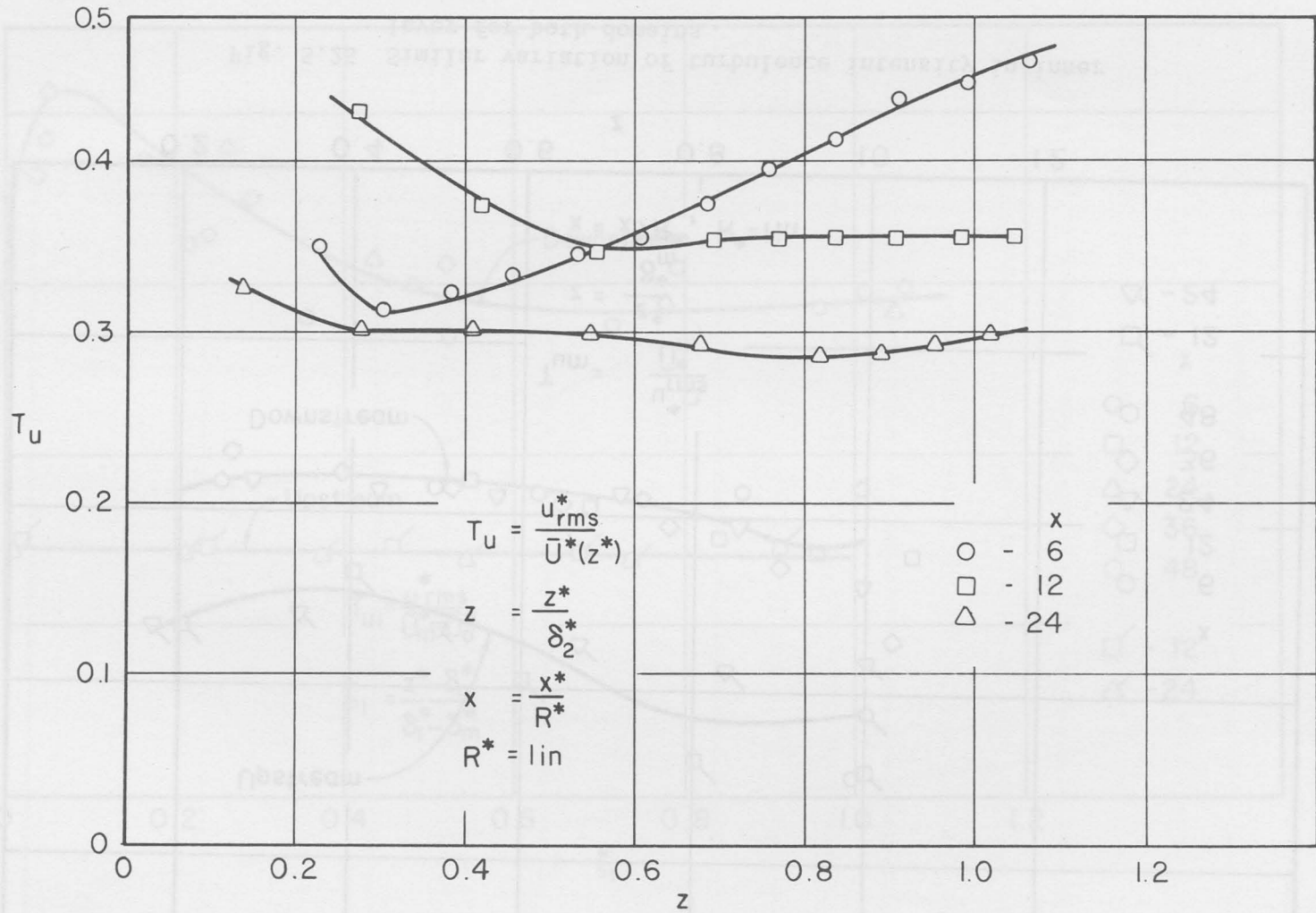


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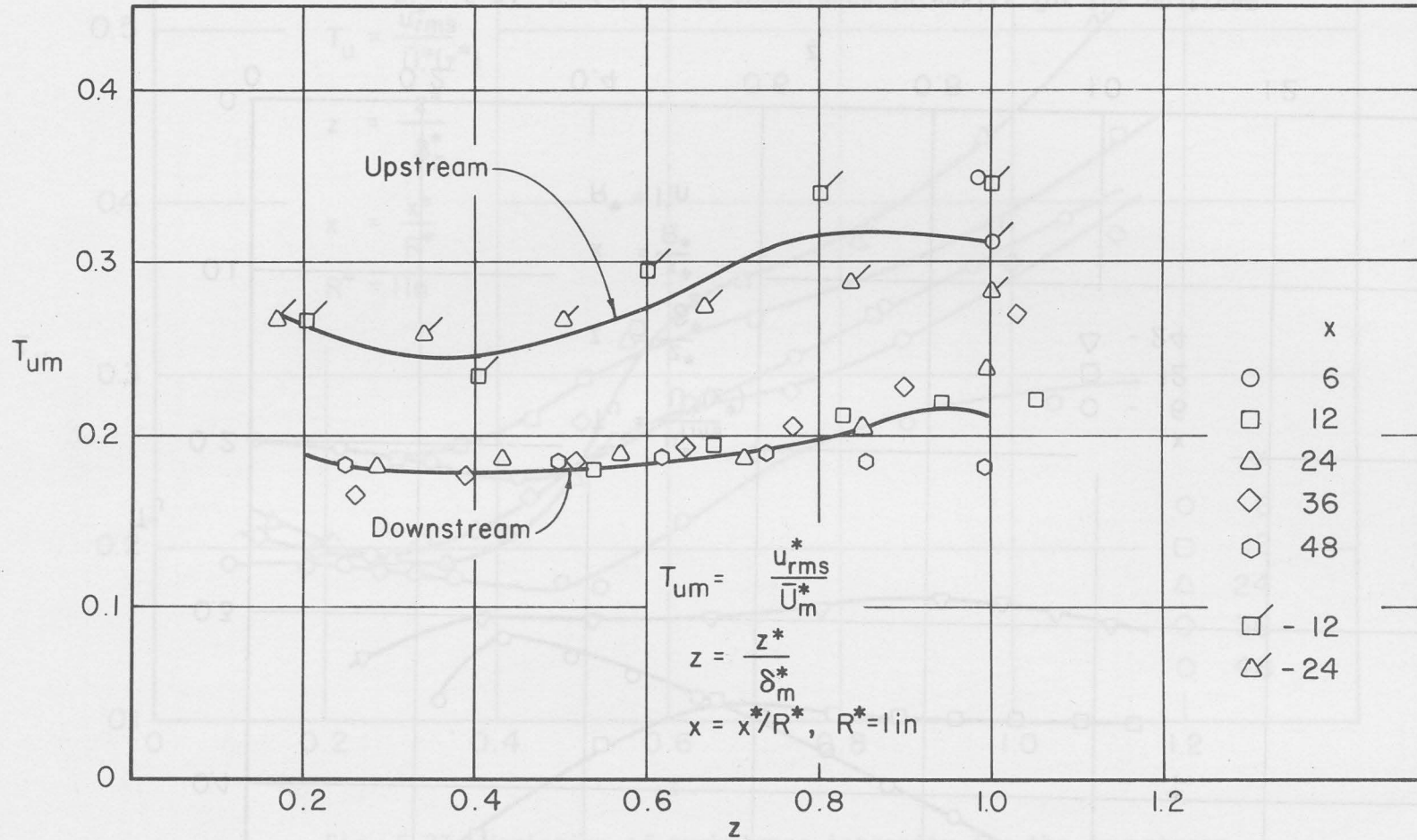


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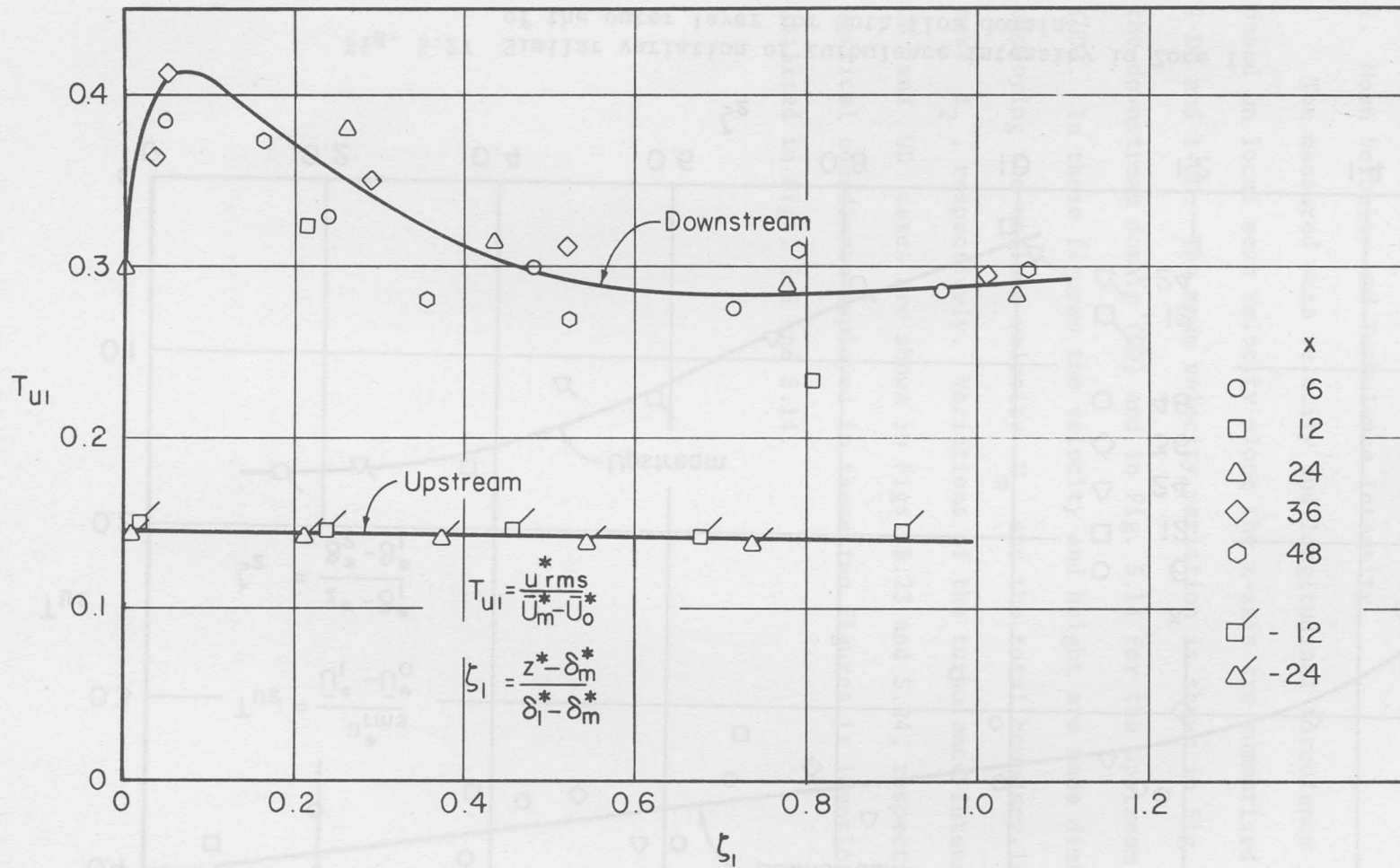


Fig. 5.26 Similar variation of turbulence intensity in Zone I of the outer layer for both domains.



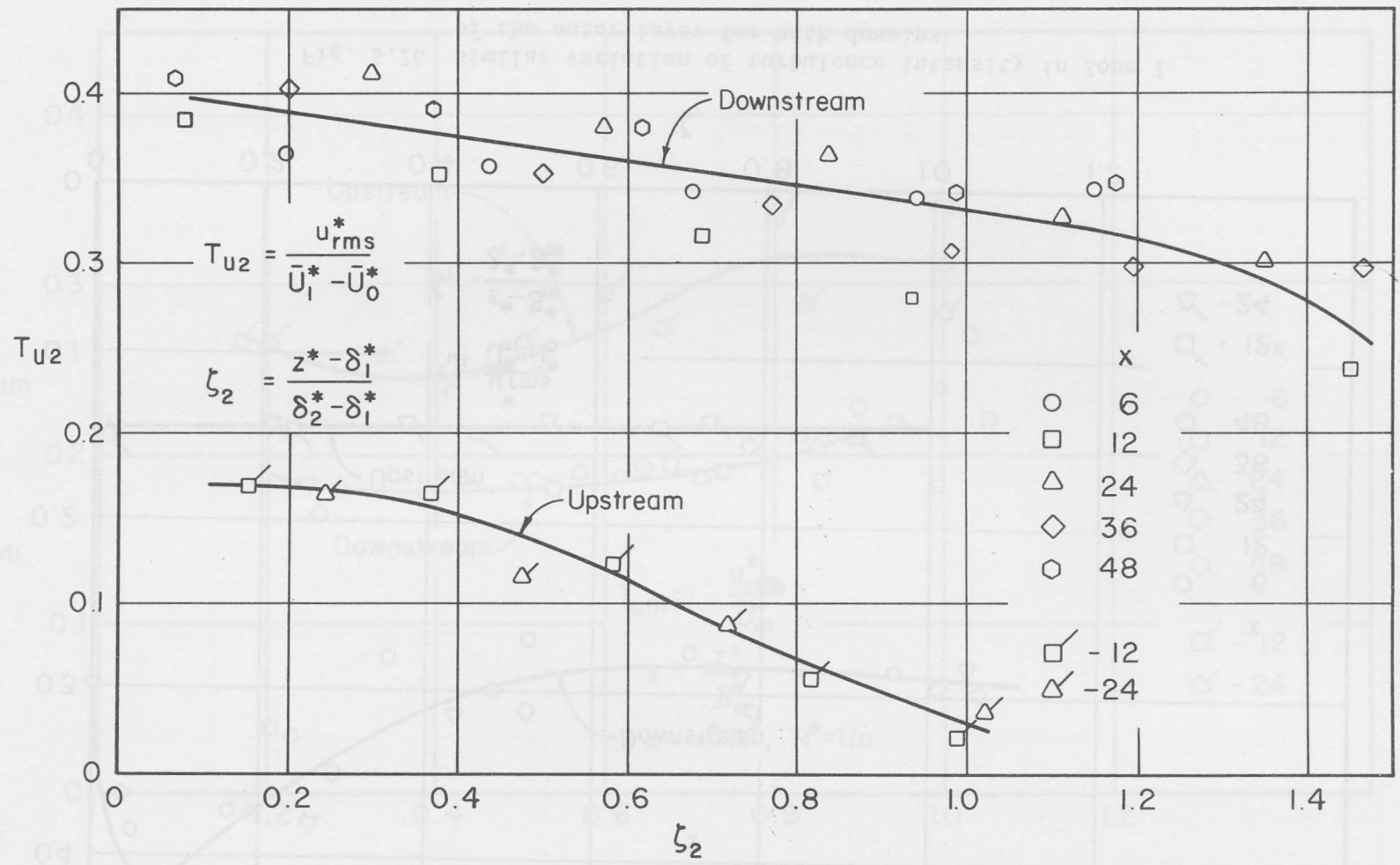


Fig. 5.27 Similar variation of turbulence intensity in Zone II of the outer layer for both flow domains.

APPENDIX

TABLES

1. Mean Velocity and Turbulence Intensity

The measured mean velocity and longitudinal turbulence intensity based on local mean velocity along the x-axis are summarized in Tables 1-DD and 1-UD. The mean velocity variation is shown in Fig. 5.8 for the downstream domain (DD) and in Fig. 5.14 for the upstream domain (UD). In these figures the velocity and height are made dimensionless employing the maximum velocity  $U_m$  and the total boundary-layer thickness  $\delta_2$ , respectively. Variations of the turbulence intensity for DD and UD cases are shown in Figs. 5.23 and 5.24, respectively. The vertical coordinate employed in these two figures is identical to that utilized in Figs. 5.8 and 5.14.

TABLE 1-1  
MEAN VELOCITY AND LONGITUDINAL TURBULENCE INTENSITY

Y	DD		UD		T	I
	U	I	U	I		
0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.1	0.15	1.50	0.10	1.00	0.10	1.00
0.2	0.30	1.50	0.20	1.00	0.20	1.00
0.3	0.45	1.50	0.30	1.00	0.30	1.00
0.4	0.60	1.50	0.40	1.00	0.40	1.00
0.5	0.75	1.50	0.50	1.00	0.50	1.00
0.6	0.90	1.50	0.60	1.00	0.60	1.00
0.7	1.05	1.50	0.70	1.00	0.70	1.00
0.8	1.20	1.50	0.80	1.00	0.80	1.00
0.9	1.35	1.50	0.90	1.00	0.90	1.00
1.0	1.50	1.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00



## 2. Integral Parameters

The displacement thickness  $\Delta^*$ , momentum thickness  $\theta^*$  and shape factor  $H$  for the three regions of the combined flow within both downstream and upstream domains are tabulated in Table 2. The results for the shape factor are shown in Fig. 5.20.

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Region	$\Delta^*$	$\theta^*$	$H$
1	0.0240	0.0082	1.083
2	0.0310	0.0088	1.082
3	0.0170	0.0072	1.031
4	0.0240	0.0082	1.083
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29	0.0310	0.0088	1.082
30	0.0170	0.0072	1.031

TABLE 2  
INTEGRAL PARAMETERS

x	INNER LAYER			OUTER LAYER ZONE I			OUTER LAYER ZONE II			
	$\Delta_m^*$ (in)	$\theta_m^*$ (in)	$H_m$	$\Delta_1^*$ (in)	$\theta_1^*$ (in)	$H_1$	$\Delta_2^*$ (in)	$\theta_2^*$ (in)	$H_2$	
DD	6	0.00262	0.00132	1.982	0.0292	0.0262	1.114	1.493	0.965	1.55
	12	0.01602	0.00850	1.879	0.0054	0.0049	1.093	1.517	0.942	1.61
	24	0.01260	0.00665	1.895	0.0035	0.0034	1.021	0.993	0.645	1.54
	36	0.01600	0.00865	1.851	0.0154	0.0145	1.057	0.805	0.526	1.53
	48	0.00386	0.00211	1.828	0.0150	0.0141	1.066	1.083	0.674	1.61
UD	-24	0.00830	0.00460	1.802	0.0650	0.0645	1.005	0.0107	0.0075	1.48
	-12	0.01408	0.00770	1.822	0.0090	0.0089	1.017	0.0776	0.0051	1.52
	-6	0.00286	0.00147	1.939	0.0089	0.0083	1.067	0.8540	0.5180	1.65

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