

Session I

MHD Heat Shield in Argon Arcjet Plasma Flow

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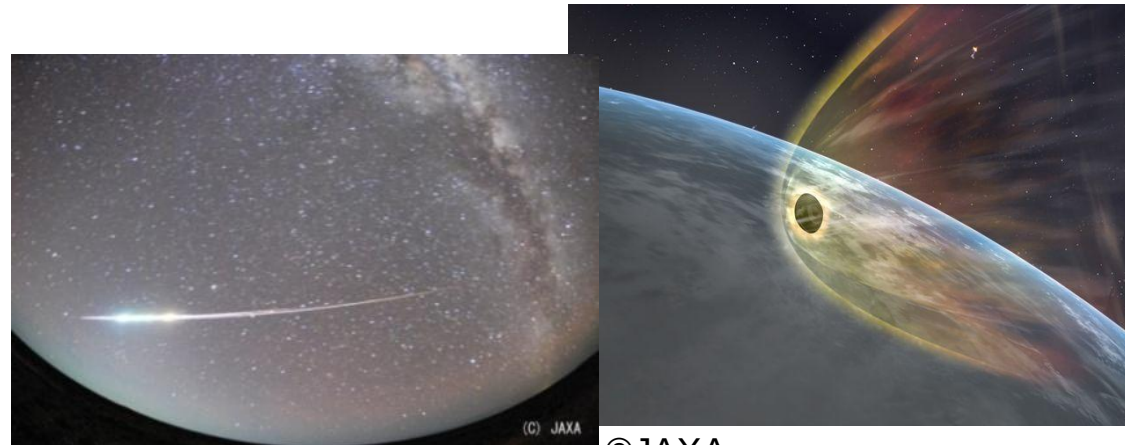
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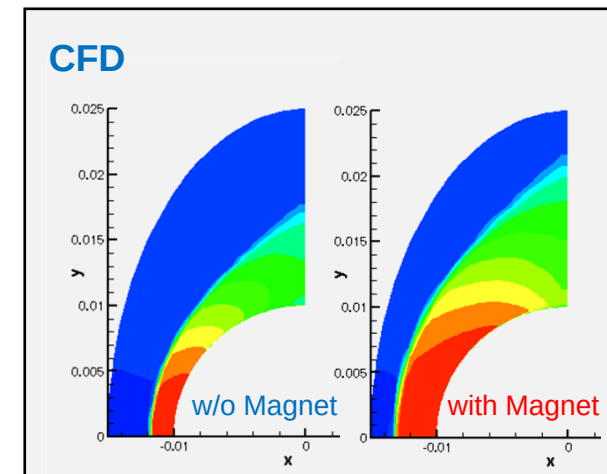
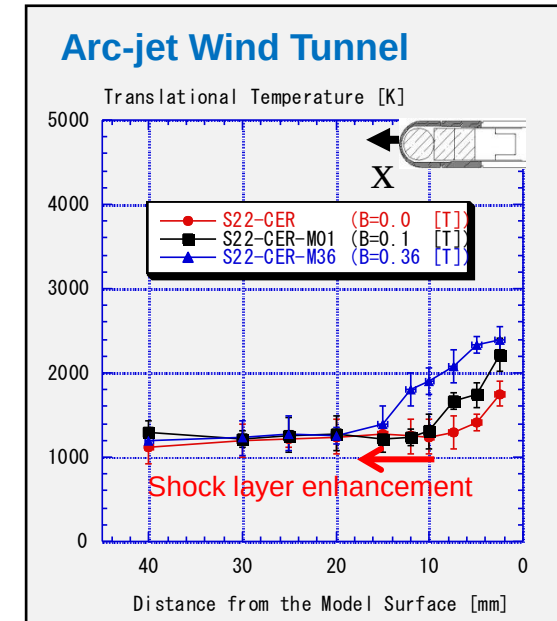
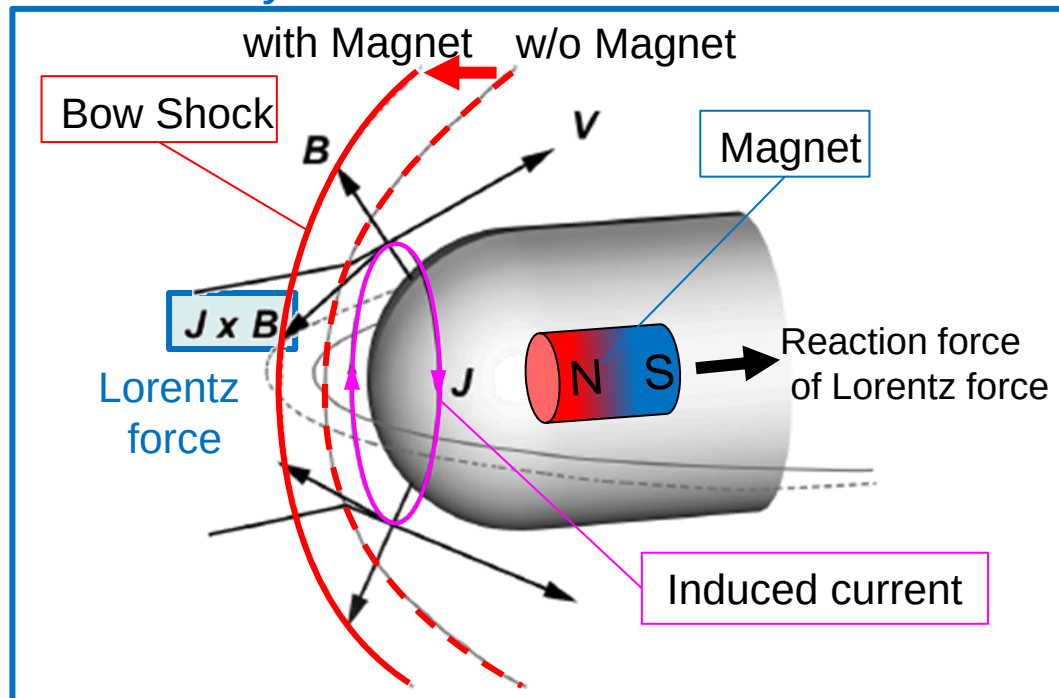
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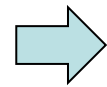
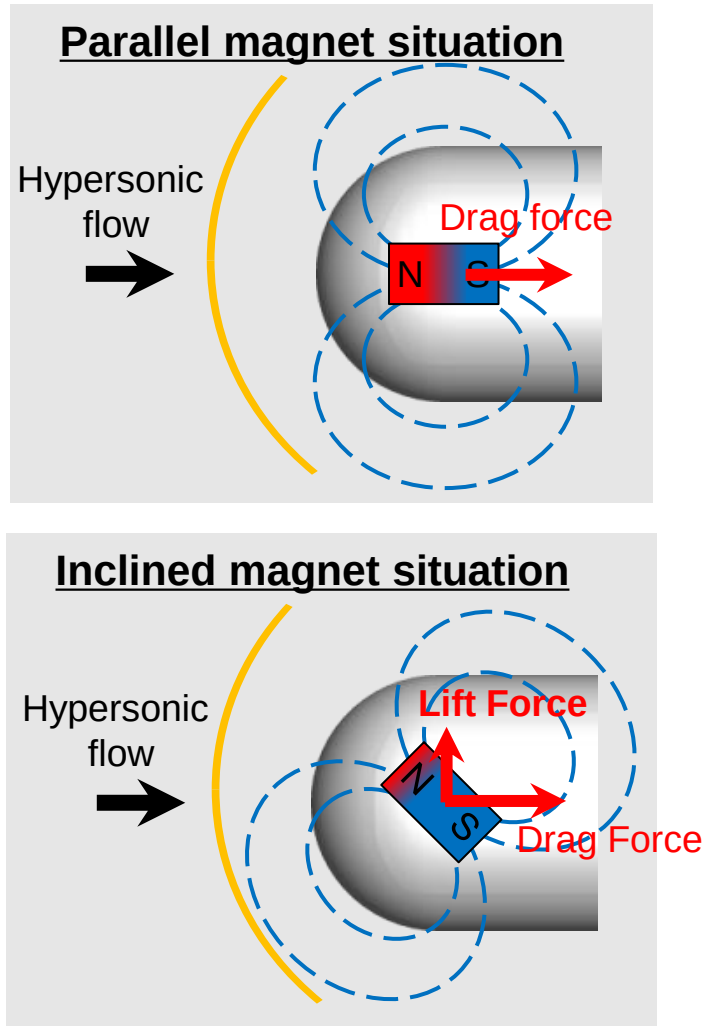
MHD Heat Shield

- Applied magnetic field interacts with the weakly ionized plasma behind the strong shock wave.
- The flow field is affected by Lorentz force.
 - Enhancement of shock layer
 - Reduction of aerodynamic heating
 - Enhancement of drag force
- New type of heat protection system for re-entry vehicle



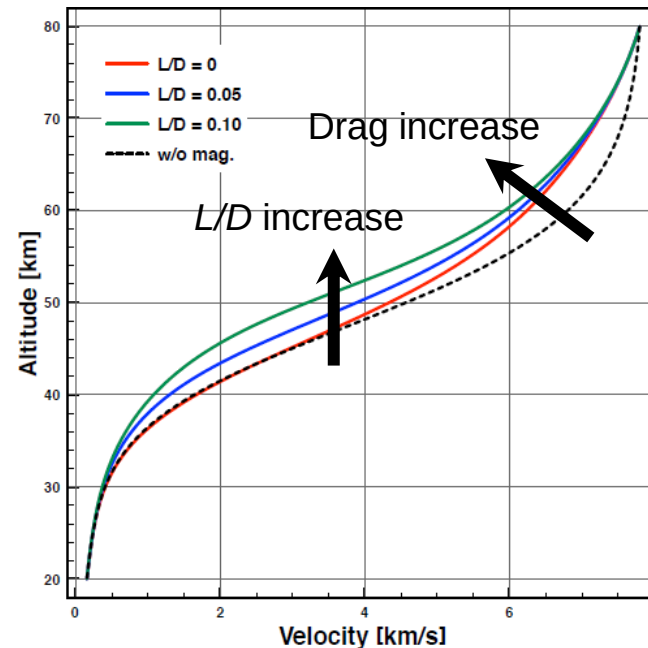
Electrodynamic Effect for Force Control

For application, the magnetic orientation such as a magnetic inclination angle could be **a controllable parameter**.



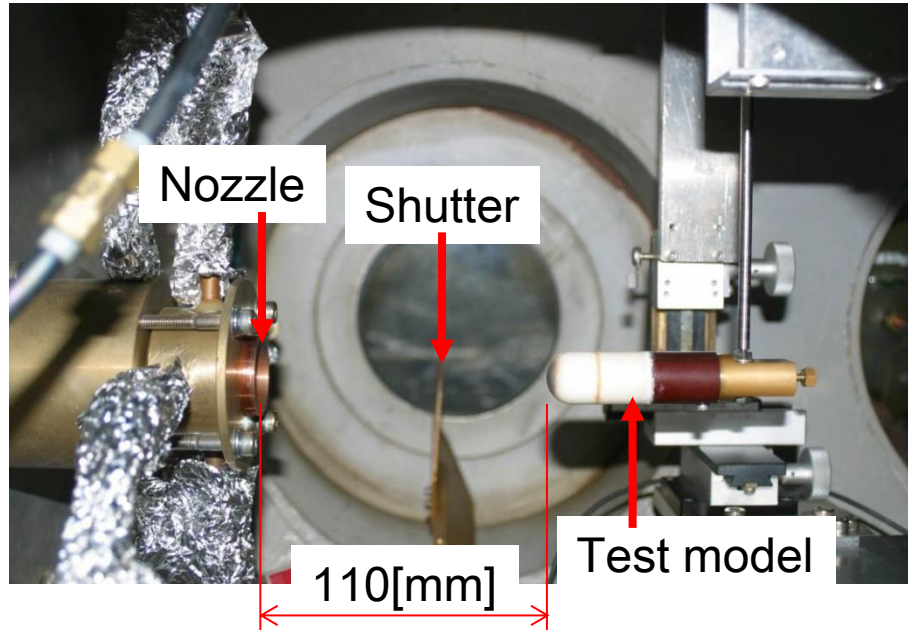
The re-entry flight path could be controlled **without moving parts** by changing the aerodynamic force.

H. Otsu, et al, AIAA-Paper 2011-3466.

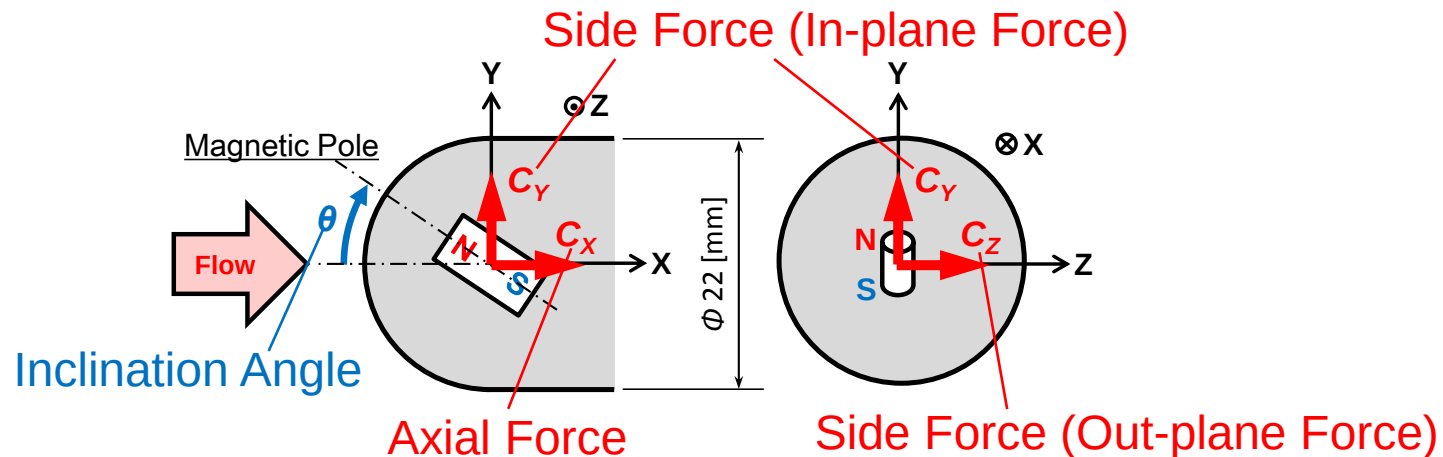
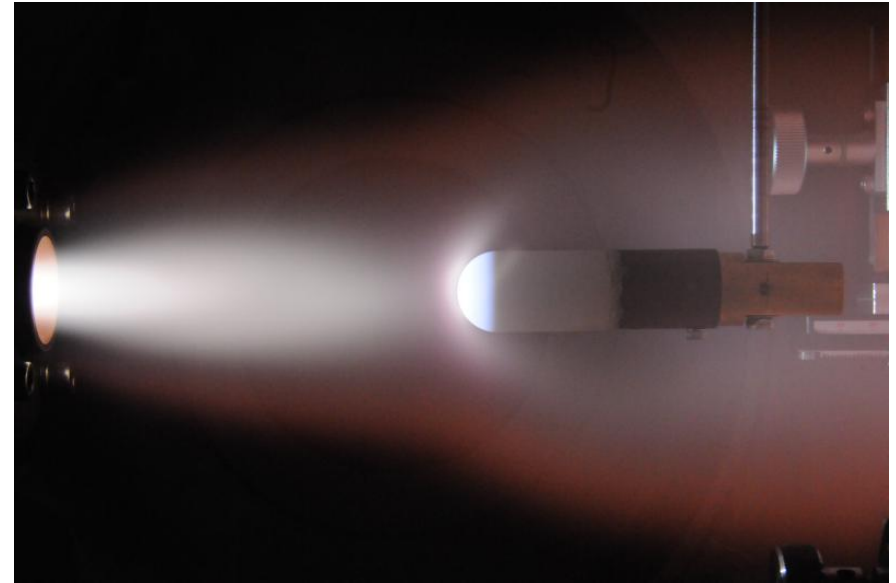


Argon Arcjet Wind Tunnel Experiment

Experimental Setup



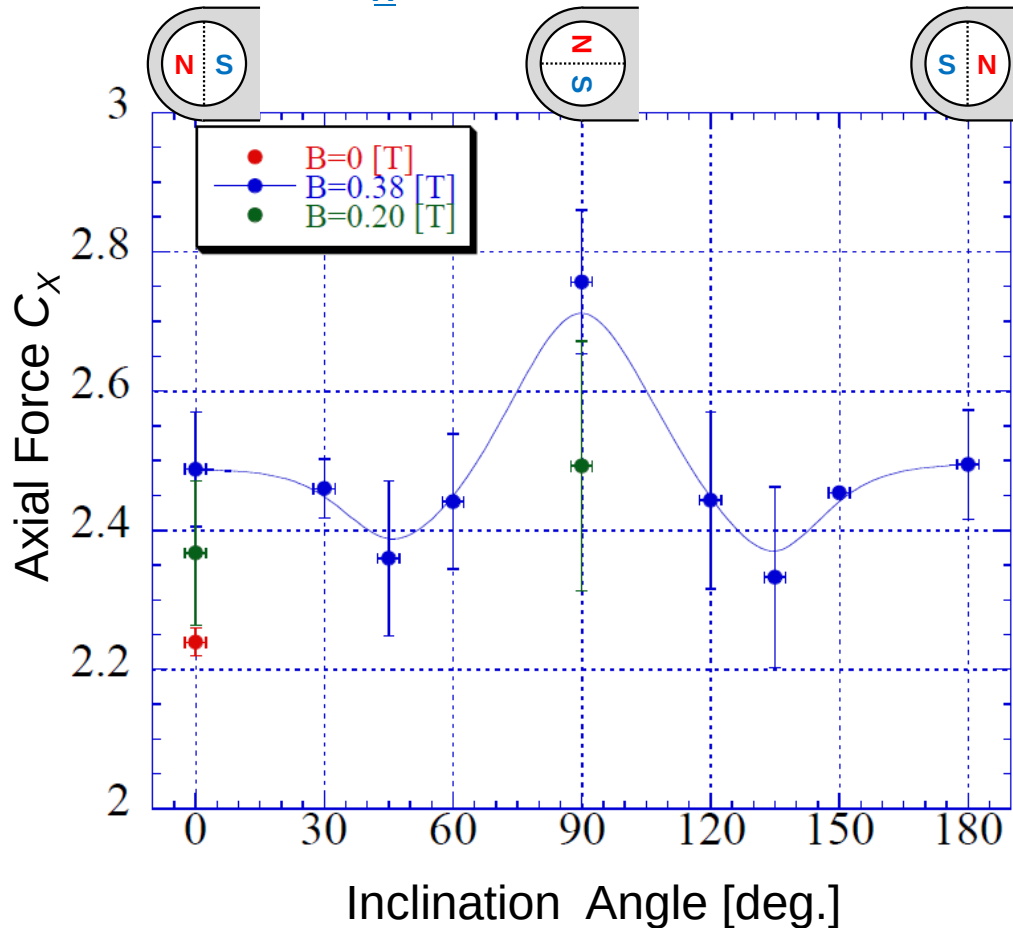
After the Shutter Opening



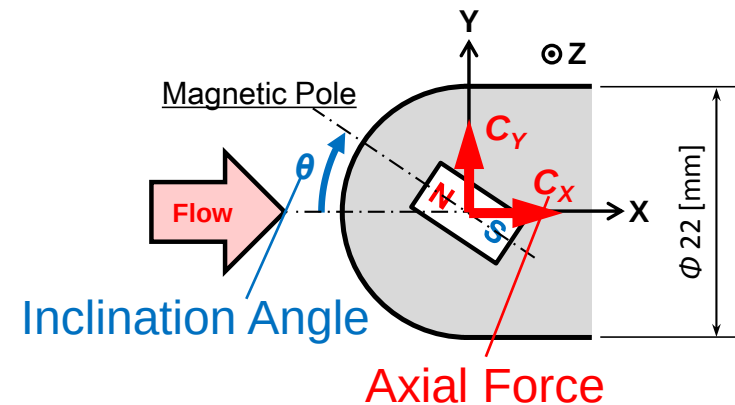
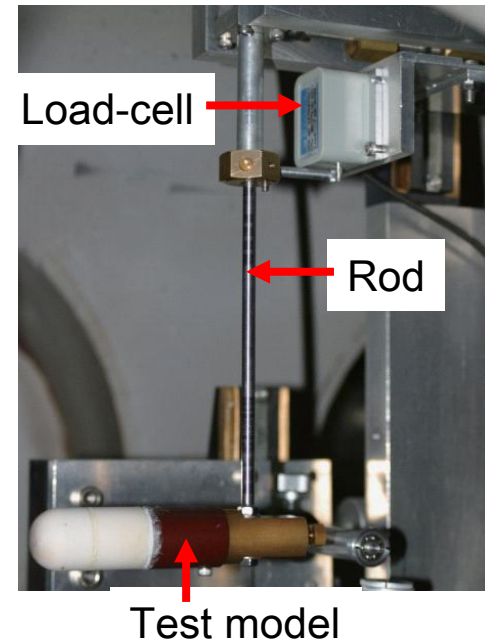
Experimental Result (C_x)

M. Kawamura et al., JRS, Vol. 50, No. 2, 2013.

Axial Force C_x

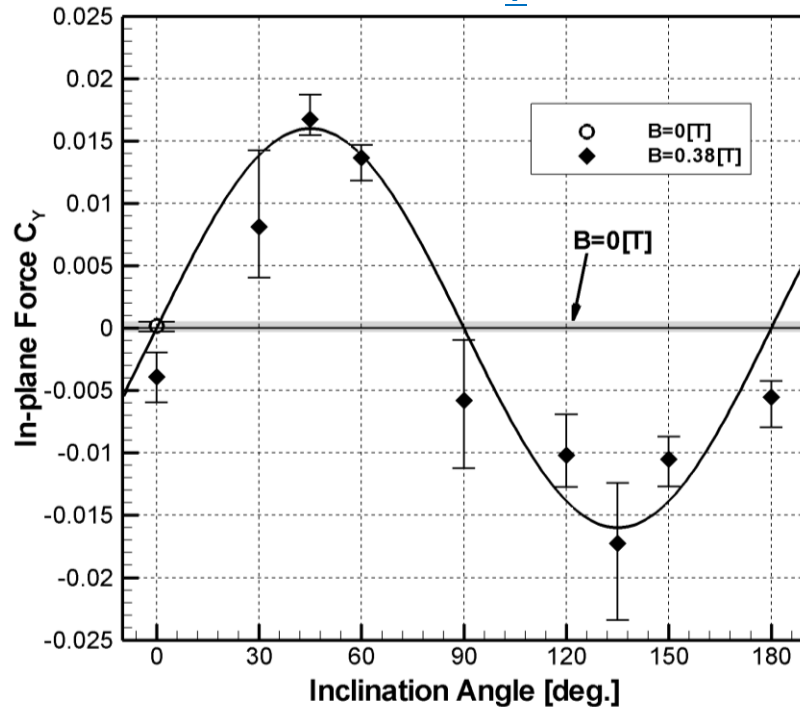


Force Measurement

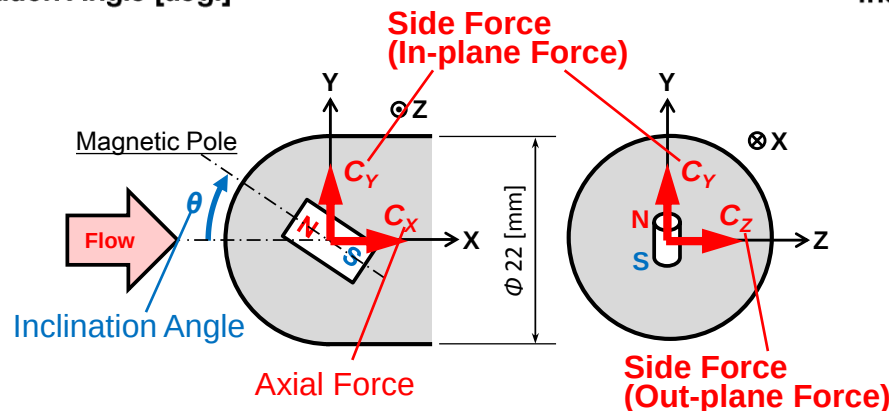
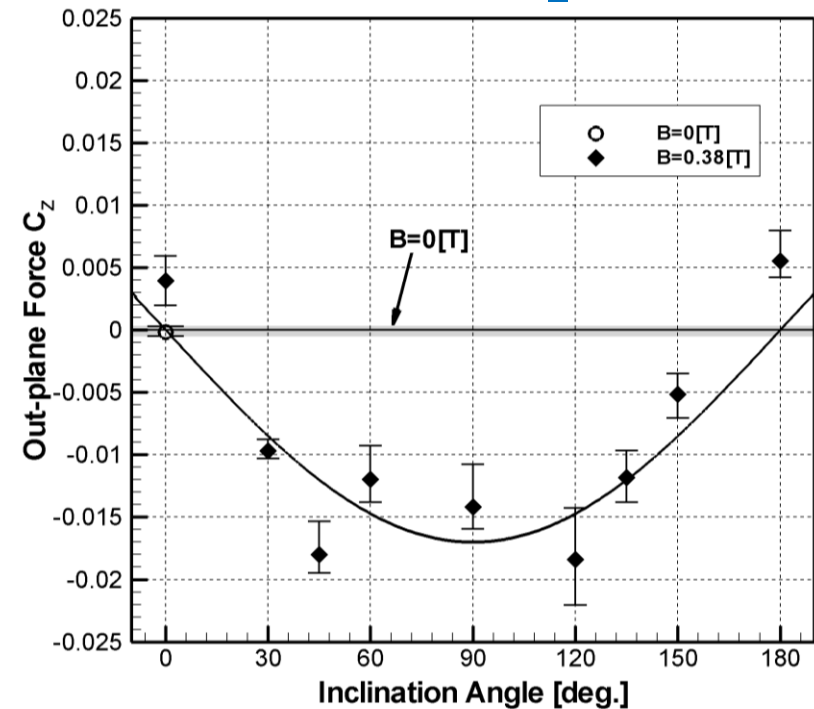


Experimental Result (C_Y and C_Z)

In-plane Force C_Y



Out-plane Force C_Z



Objective

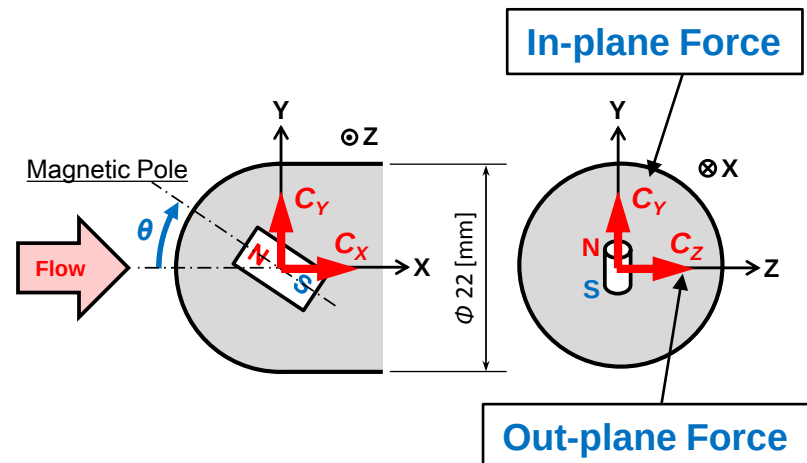
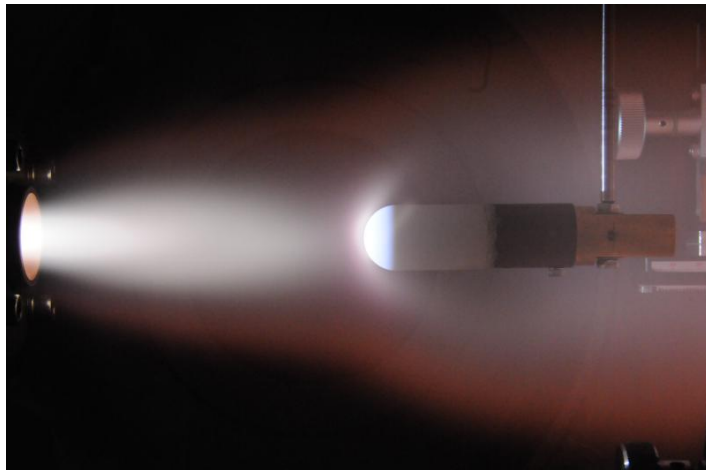
Final Target:

Available system configuration using MHD heat shield

To estimate the electrodynamic effect in **the REAL flight**, the measured force data is good example for the variation.



We try to simulate the arc-jet wind tunnel experiment.



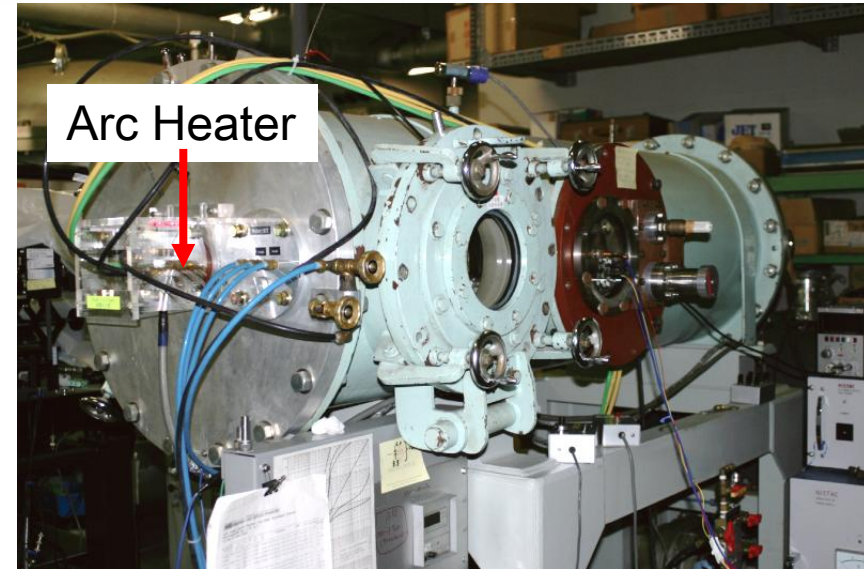
1.5kW Arcjet Wind Tunnel

- Half angle of conical nozzle : 25°
- Nozzle exit diameter : 30[mm]
- Mass flow rate : 8[l/sec]
- Input power : 1.5[kW]

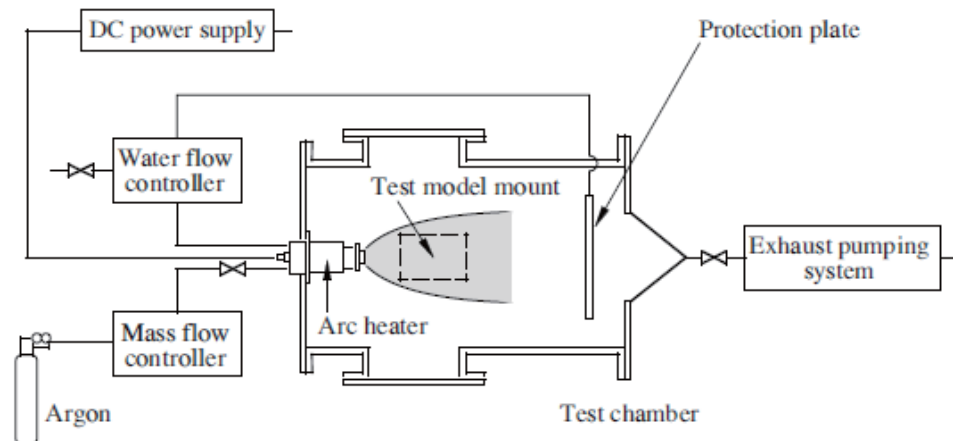
Test Flow Condition

Test gas	Argon
Mach number	1.7
Max total enthalpy, MJ/kg	1.1 *
Pitot pressure, Pa	160 *
Static pressure, Pa	34 *
Flow velocity, m/s	1097 *
Heavy particle temperature, K	1200 *
Electron temperature, K	≈ 6100 *
Neutral particle number density, m^{-3}	2.05×10^{21}
Electron number density, m^{-3}	$\approx 1 \times 10^{19}$ *
Ionization degree	≈ 0.5 %
Electric conductivity, S/m	731

* Measured.



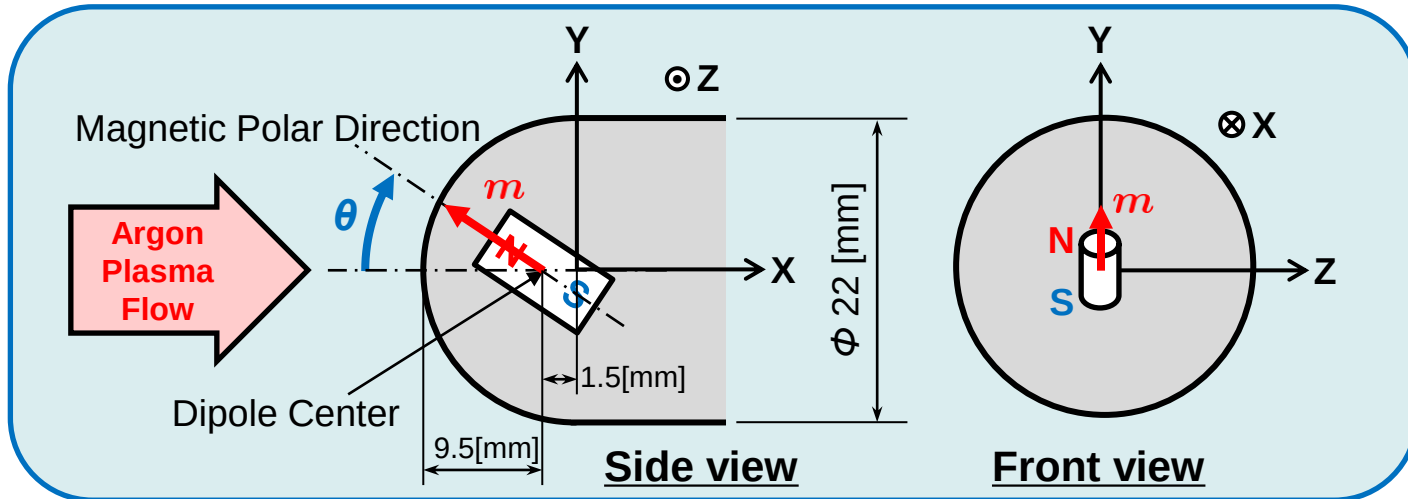
Schematic of Arcjet Wind Tunnel



Configuration and Flow Condition

■ Body Geometry & Coordinate System

- A cylinder with a spherical head



■ Flow Condition

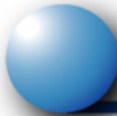
- 1.5[kW] argon arcjet wind tunnel
- Uniform flow
- ◆ Knudsen number : 0.1
- ◆ Magnetic Reynolds number : 0.022
- ◆ Interaction parameter : 15
- ◆ Hall parameter : 173
- ※ $B_{ref} = 0.38[T]$

Magnetic Reynolds number

$$R_m = \mu_0 \sigma V L$$

Interaction parameter

$$Q = \frac{\text{Lorentz force}}{\text{Inertial force}} = \frac{\sigma B^2 L}{\rho V}$$



Flow Field

■ 3D Navier-Stokes equations

Effect of the Lorentz force and Joule heating are included.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho_s \\ \rho \mathbf{V} \\ E_t \end{bmatrix} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F}_v) = \mathbf{S} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{E} \end{bmatrix}$$

■ Laminar flow

ρ : Density
 ρ_s : Density of species s
 $\mathbf{V}$: Flow velocity
 E_t : Total Energy
 $\mathbf{F}$: Inviscid term
 $\mathbf{F}_v$: Viscous term
 $\mathbf{S}$: Source term
 $\mathbf{J}$: Current density
 $\mathbf{E}$: Electric field
 $\mathbf{B}$: Magnetic flux density
 t : Time

Electromagnetic Field

■ Maxwell equations

- Magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) approximation
- Low magnetic Reynolds number approximation

Induced magnetic field could be negligible and **not considered**. $\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \approx 0$

Simplified to,

$$\mathbf{E} = -\nabla \phi$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$$

■ Ohm's law

Hall and ion-slip effects are considered.

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B}) - C_H(\mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{b}) + C_i(\mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{b})$$

■ Poisson equation for the electric potential

Given by the combining the above equations,

$$\nabla \cdot \tilde{\sigma} [\nabla \phi] = \nabla \cdot \tilde{\sigma} [\mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B}]$$

$\mathbf{J}$: Current density

$\mathbf{E}$: Electric field

$\mathbf{B}$: Magnetic flux density

ϕ : Electric potential

σ : Conductivity

C_H : Hall parameter

C_i : Ion-slip parameter

$\mathbf{V}$: Flow velocity

μ_0 : Permeability of vacuum

R_m : Magnetic Reynolds number

L_{ref} : Reference length

t : Time

Thermo-Chemical Model

■ Thermodynamic property

Real gas effect for argon plasma.

Local electrical neutrality is assumed.

■ Chemically non-equilibrium

3 species (Ar, Ar⁺, e⁻) are considered. $\text{Ar} + \text{M} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ar}^+ + \text{e}^- + \text{M}$

■ Thermal model

The electron temperature is solved by the Poisson equation.

■ Electrical conductivity and parameters

Evaluated using the collision integral,

$$\sigma = \frac{e^2 n_e}{k_B T_e \sum_{j \neq e} n_j \Delta_{e,j}^{(1,1)}} \quad C_H = \frac{e|\mathbf{B}|}{k_B T_e \sum_{j \neq e} n_j \Delta_{e,j}^{(1,1)}}$$

$$C_i = C_H \left(\frac{n_{\text{Ar}}}{n_{\text{Ar}} + n_{\text{Ar}^+}} \right)^2 \frac{e|\mathbf{B}|}{k_B T n_{\text{Ar}} \Delta_{\text{Ar}^+, \text{Ar}}^{(1,1)}}$$

σ : Conductivity

C_H : Hall parameter

C_i : Ion-slip parameter

e : Elementary charge

k_B : Boltzmann constant

n_s : Number density of species s

T_e : Electron temperature

$\mathbf{B}$: Magnetic flux density

$\Delta_{i,j}^{(1,1)}$: Collision integral

Database and Models

- Chemical Reaction Model
 - Hoffert's model
- Thermodynamic Property
 - NASA Glenn's database
- Transport Coefficient
 - Gupta's mixing rule
- Collision Integral
 - Laricchiuta's database
(for combination of neutral particle and others)
 - Coulomb collision theory
(for combination of ionized particles or electron)

Computational Method

- **Discretization**: Finite volume method
- **Inviscid term**: AUSM-DV scheme + 2nd-order MUSCL
- **Viscous term**: 2nd-order central difference
- **Time integration**: Matrix Free Gauss Seidel (MFGS) implicit method
+ Local time stepping

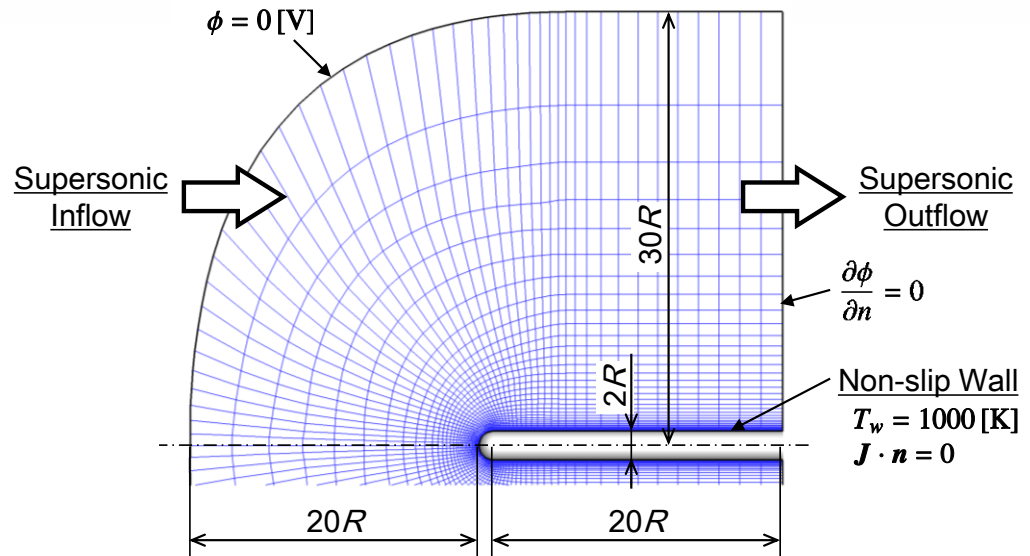


Weakly coupled

- **Electric field**: ILU(0)-BiCGstab
- **Electron temperature**: BiCGstab

Computational Domain and Grid

■ Computational domain & boundary conditions



■ Computational grid

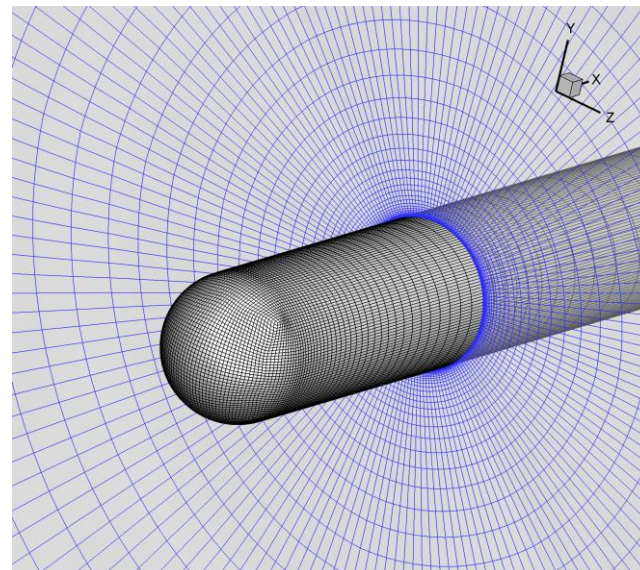
Grid points

On wall : 12,000 points

Normal to wall : 49 points

Total : 600,000 points

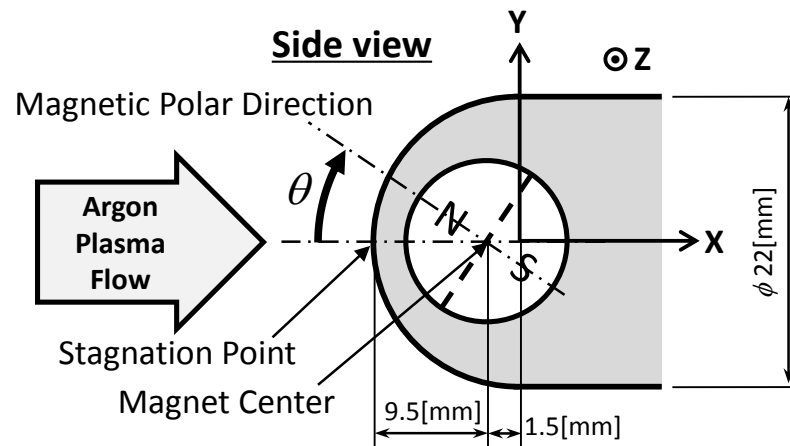
After some calculations,
It was confirmed that this grid
is reasonable for this study.



Magnetic Field Modeling

Parameters

- Maximum strength : 0.38 [Tesla]
- Inclination angle θ : from 0 [deg.] to 180 [deg.]
- Magnetic configuration : reconstructed

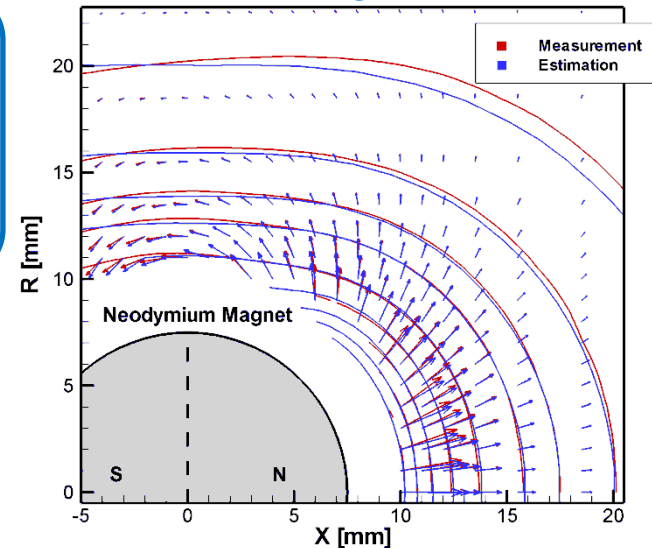


- Generated by combination of ring current C_i as,

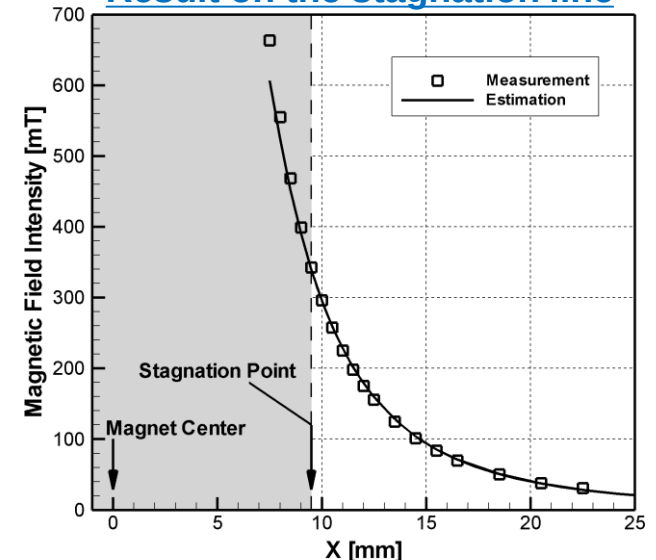
$$B(x) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \sum_i^n \oint_{C_i} I_i \frac{ds \times (x - s)}{|x - s|^3}$$

- Current strength I_i are given by fitting to actual magnetic field using the Genetic Algorithm.

Result of fitting

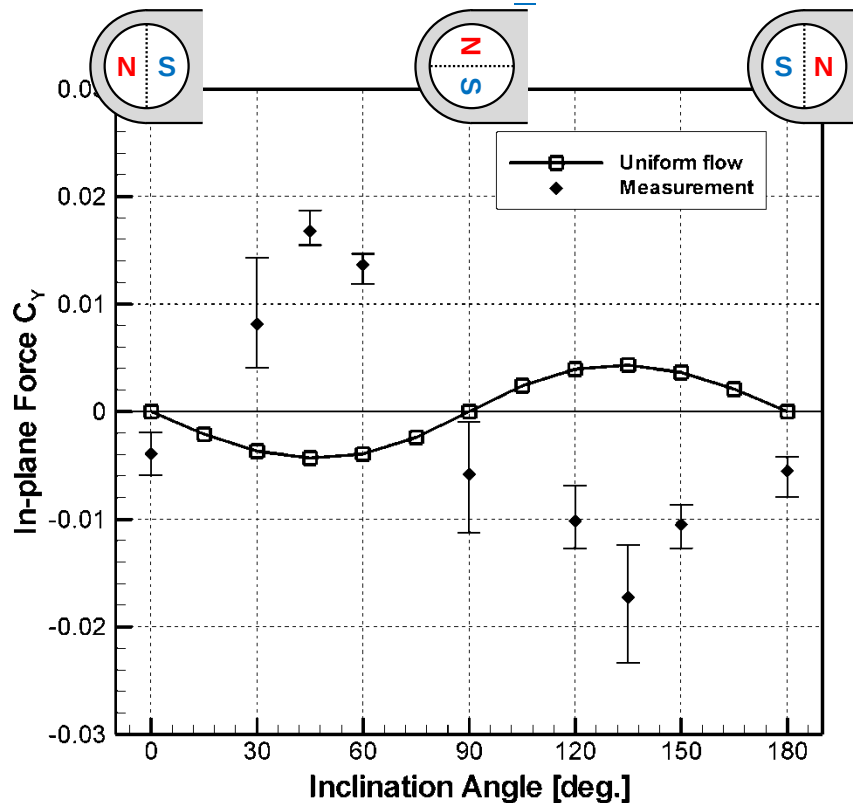


Result on the stagnation line

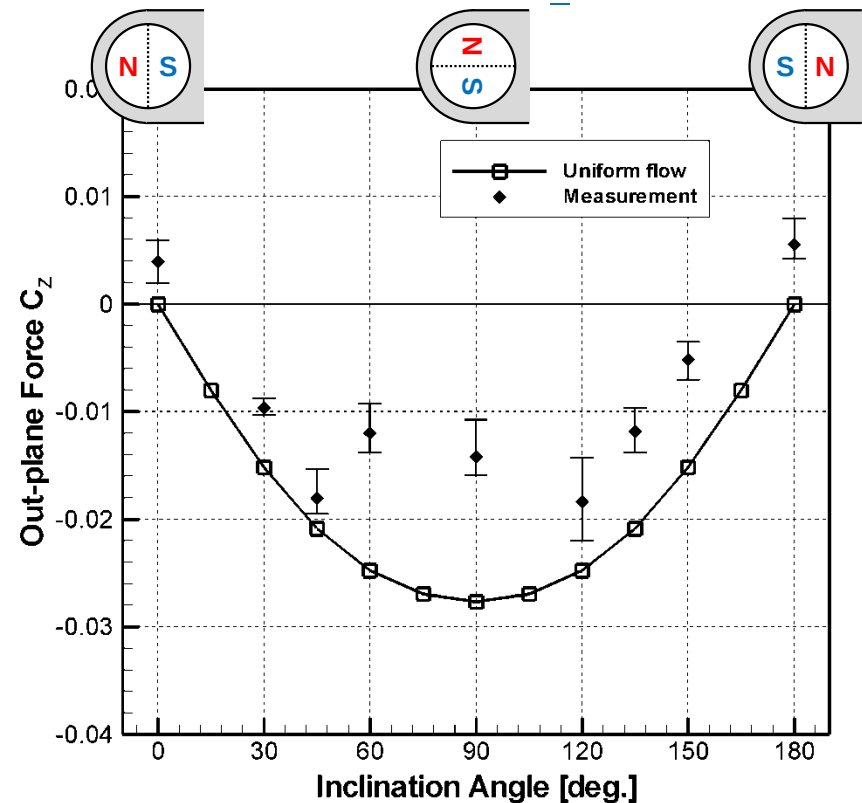


Side Force C_Y , C_Z (Uniform flow case)

In-plane Force C_Y



Out-plane Force C_Z

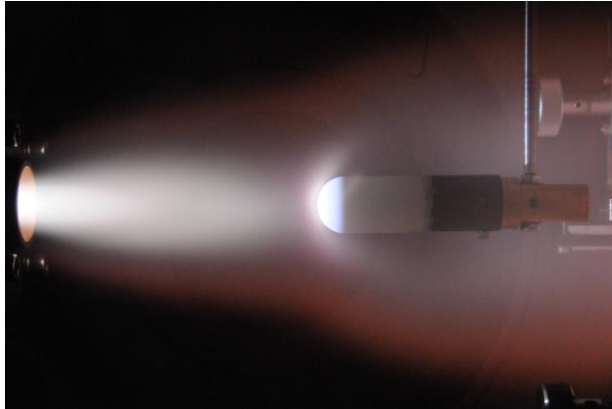


In the uniform flow cases,

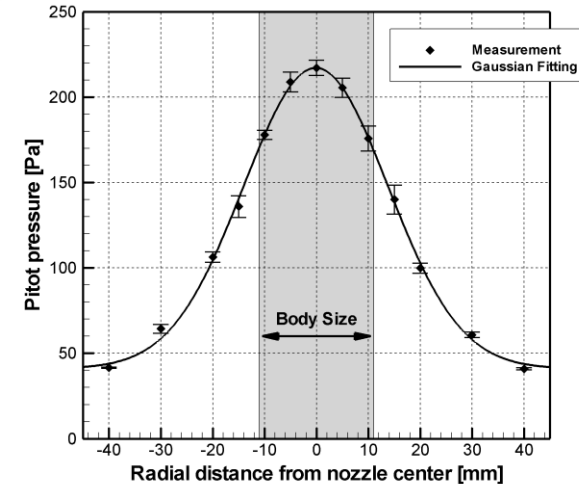
- In-plane force C_Y : **Qualitatively different**
- Out-plane force C_Z : In qualitative agreement

Influence of Plume Size

Photograph of Arc-jet Plume

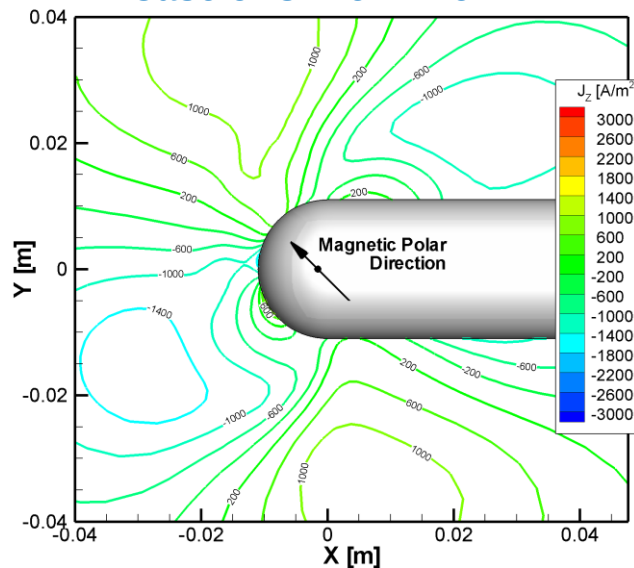


Radial Distribution of Pitot Pressure



Electric Current Contour

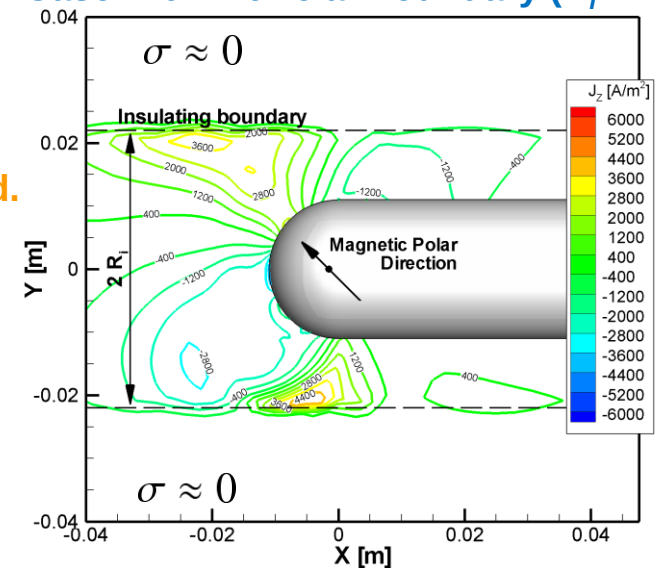
Case of Uniform flow



Plume size is briefly considered.

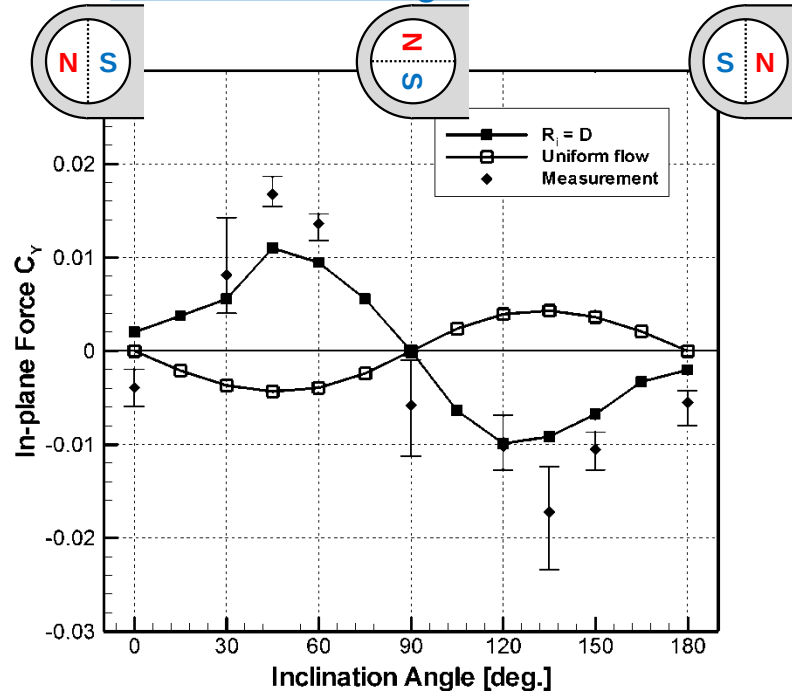
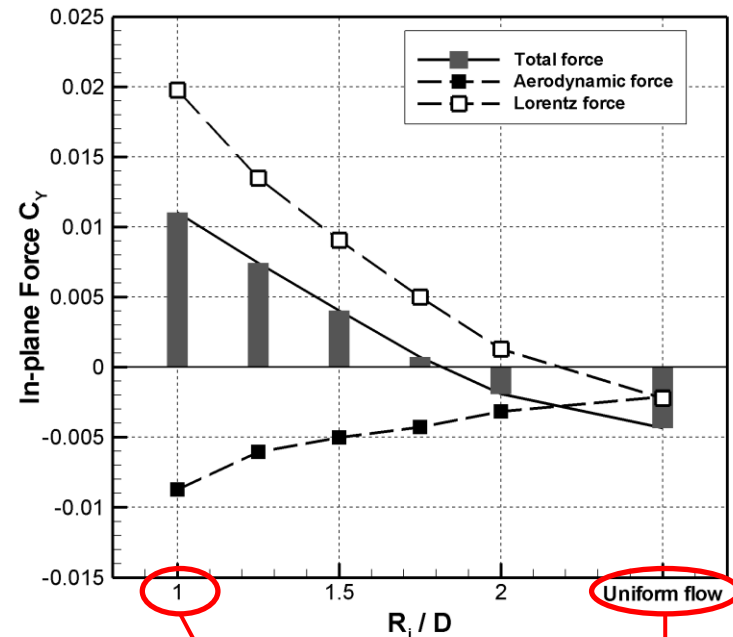


Case with Artificial Boundary ($R_i = D$)

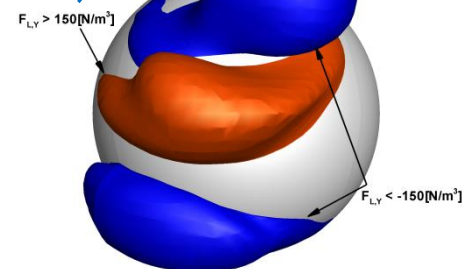


Influence on In-plane Force C_Y

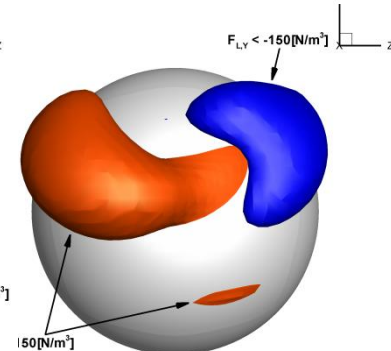
vs. Inclination Angle

vs. Artificial Boundary Radius
($\theta = 45[\text{deg.}]$)

- Large impact on C_Y due to the Lorentz force part.
- The results become to be close to experiment.

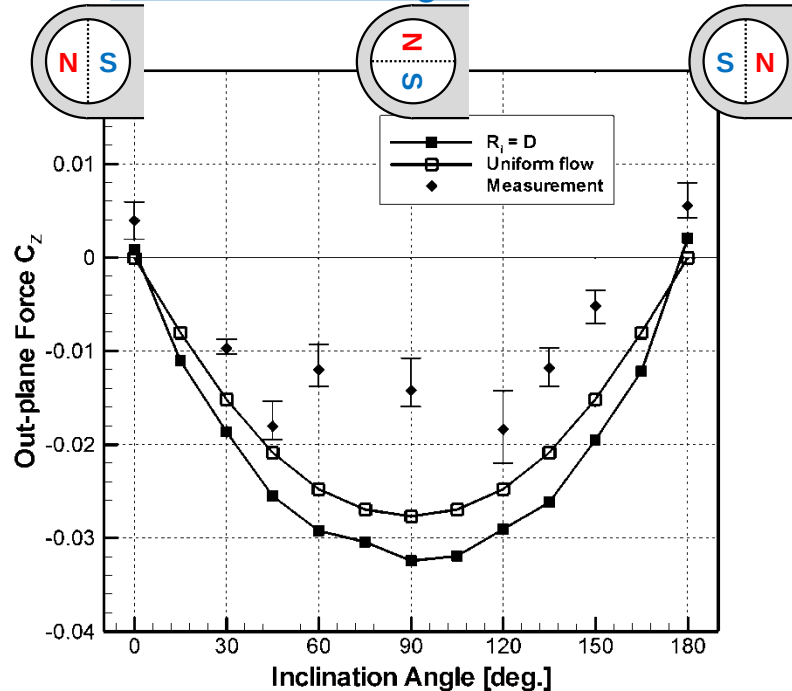
Y component of Lorentz force
(Front view)

Uniform flow



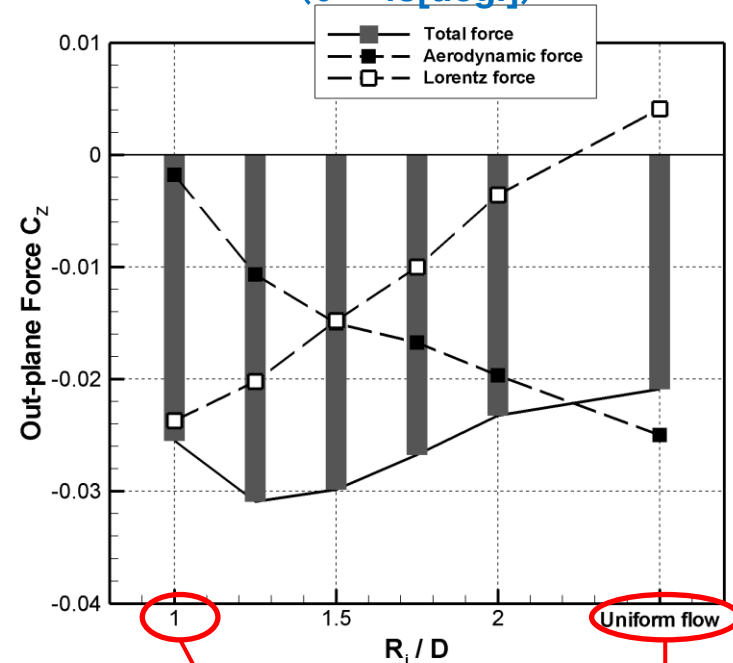
Influence on Out-plane Force C_z

vs. Inclination Angle



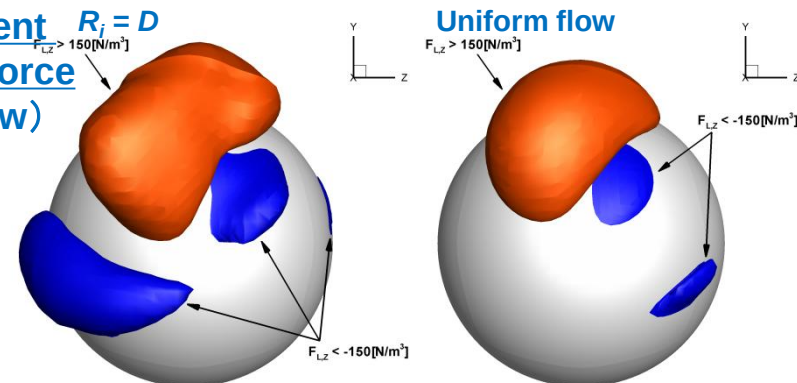
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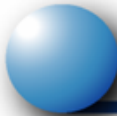
($\theta = 45[\text{deg.}]$)



- Small impact on C_z .
- Both Lorentz and pressure part are clearly affected and they cancel each other out.
- The results also qualitatively agree with the experiment.

Z component of Lorentz force (Front view)

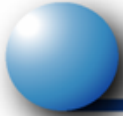




Summary

We try to simulate the arc-jet wind tunnel experiment and compare the numerical and experimental results of the in-plane and out-plane forces.

- Under the uniform flow condition, the in-plane force is qualitatively different.
 - The plume size is briefly considered by using the artificial insulating boundary.
 - The plumes size significantly affects on the in-plane force.
 - The numerical results are close to the experimental one if the plume size is small.
- ⇒ **Future work:** we should simulate with the reproduction process of the arc-jet plasma flow.



Thank you for your attention.