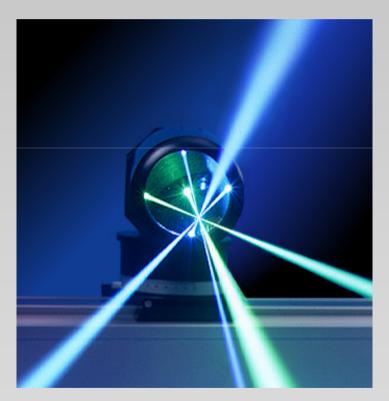
# 6. Laser Doppler Anemometry

Introduction to principles and applications





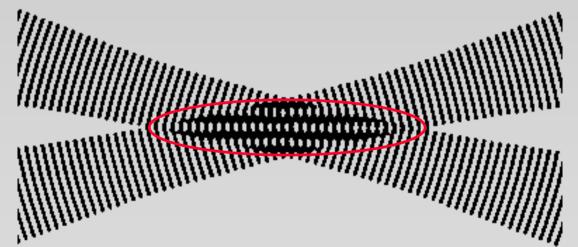
### **Characteristics of LDA**

- Invented by Yeh and Cummins in 1964
- Velocity measurements in Fluid Dynamics (gas, liquid)
- Up to 3 velocity components
- Non-intrusive measurements (optical technique)
- Absolute measurement technique (no calibration required)
- Very high accuracy
- Very high spatial resolution due to small measurement volume
- Tracer particles are required



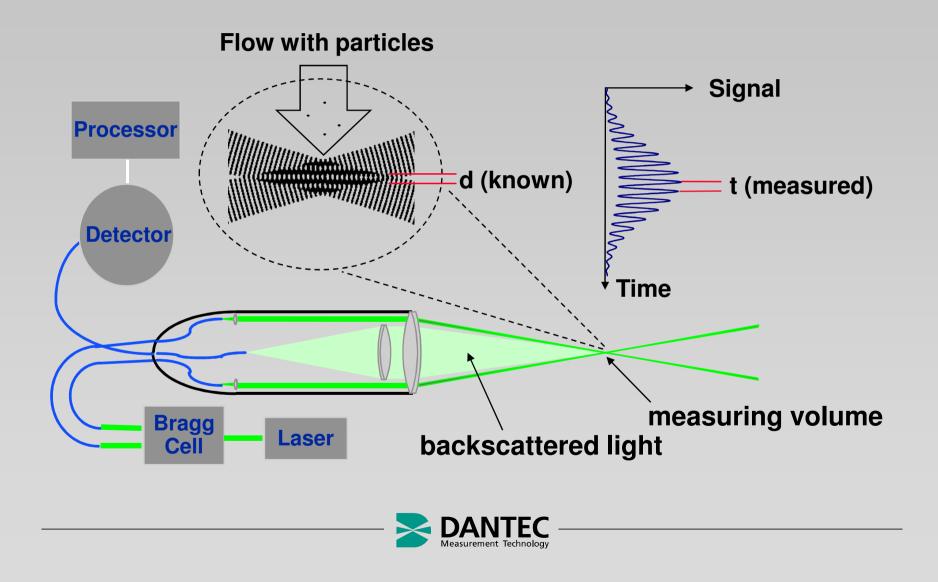
### **LDA - Fringe Model**

- Focused Laser beams intersect and form the measurement volume
- Plane wave fronts: beam waist in the plane of intersection
- Interference in the plane of intersection
- Pattern of bright and dark stripes/planes

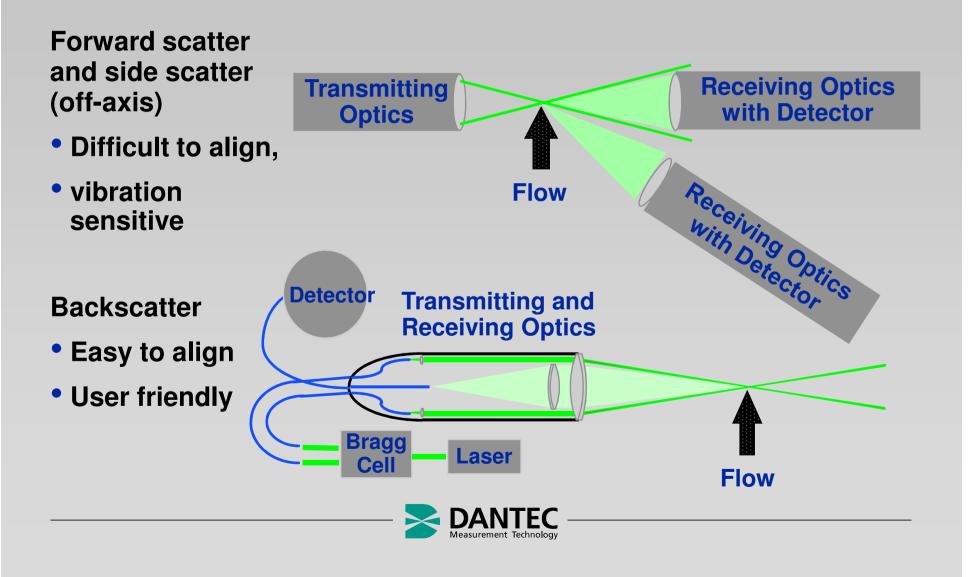




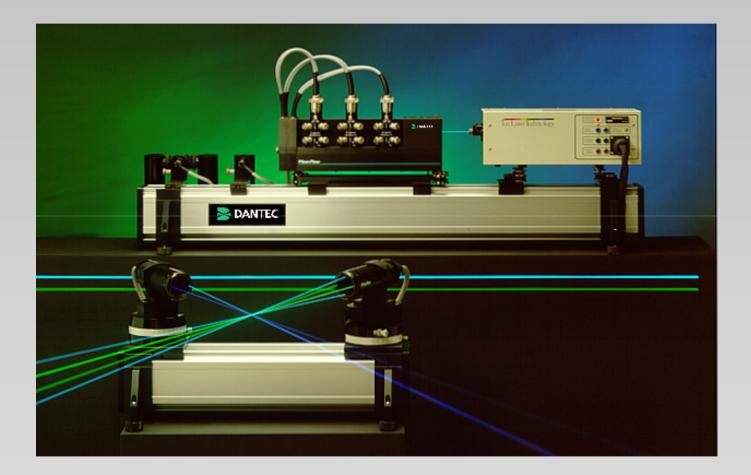
#### **Velocity = distance/time**



#### **System Configurations**

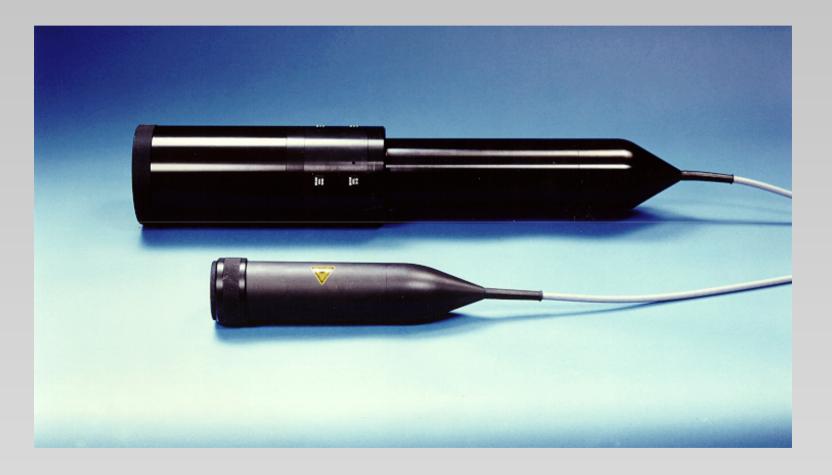


### **LDA Fibre Optical System**



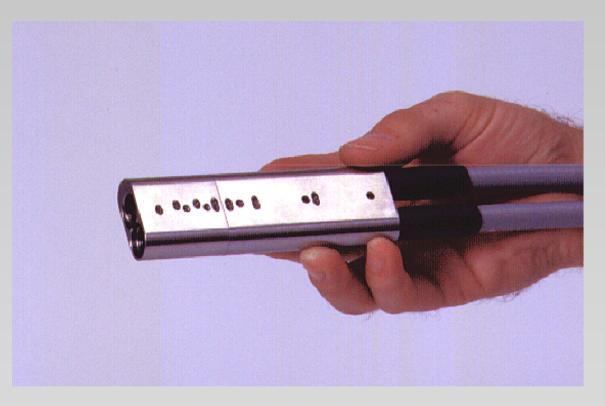


#### 60 mm and 85 mm FiberFlow probes





# The small integrated 3D FiberFlow probe





# Measurement of air flow around a helicopter rotor model in a wind tunnel

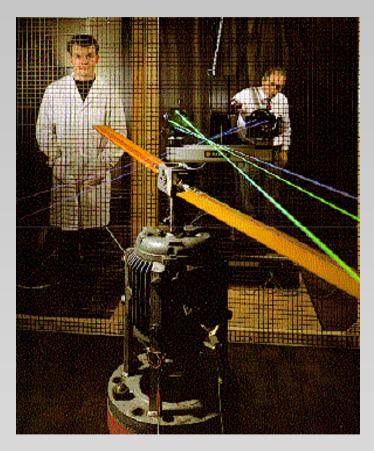


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# Measurement of water flow inside a pump model

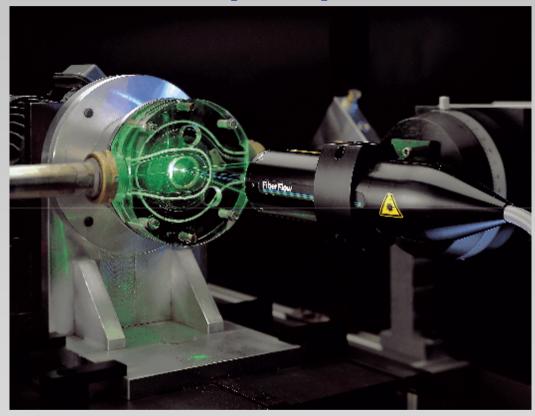


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# Measurement of flow field around a 1:5 scale car model in a wind tunnel

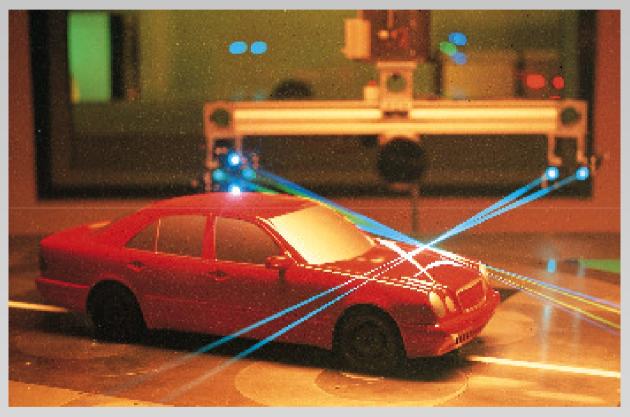


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# Measurement of wake flow around a ship model in a towing tank

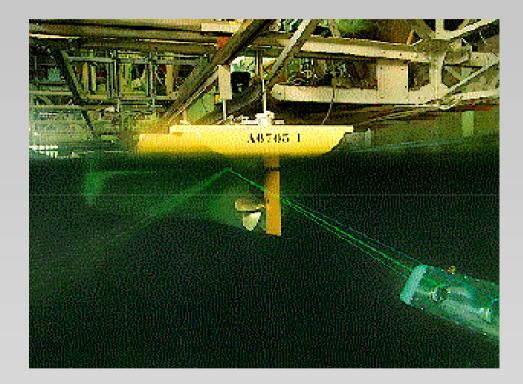


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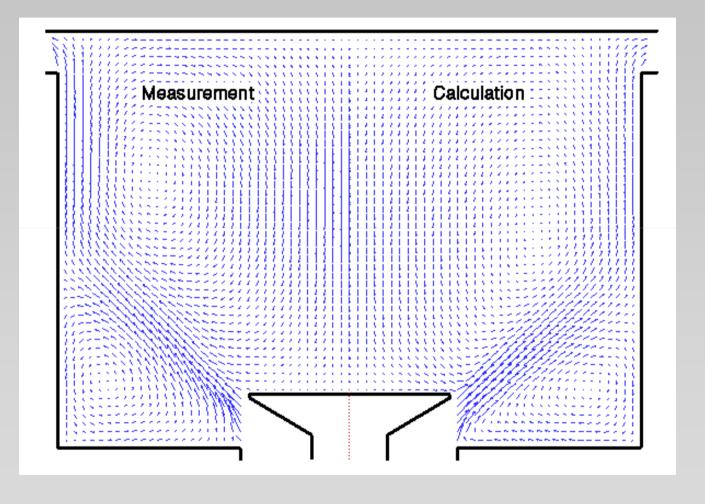
#### Measurement of air flow field around a ship model in a wind tunnel



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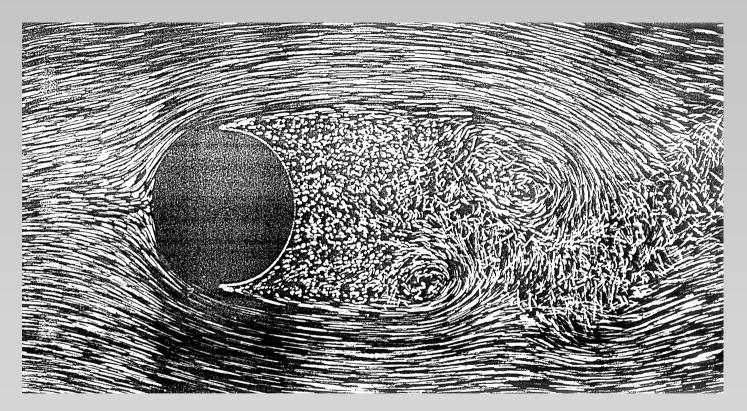


#### **Comparison of EFD and CFD results**





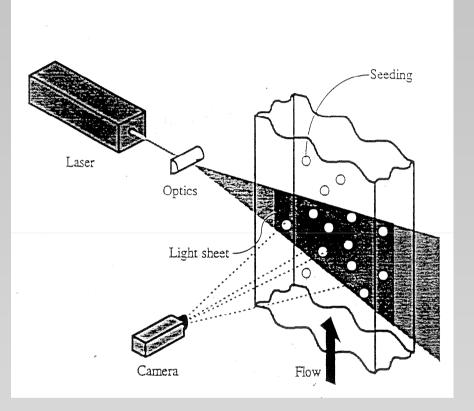
### 7. Light sheet flow visualisation



Flow visualised in the vicinity of a cylinder. Re = 2 000. Air bubbles in water. (Van Dyke: An Album of Fluid Motion, Parabolic Press, stanford, California, 1982)

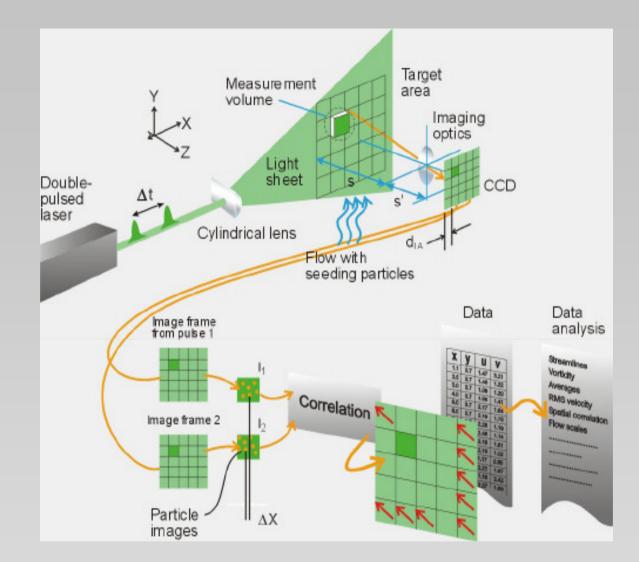


### 8. Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV)



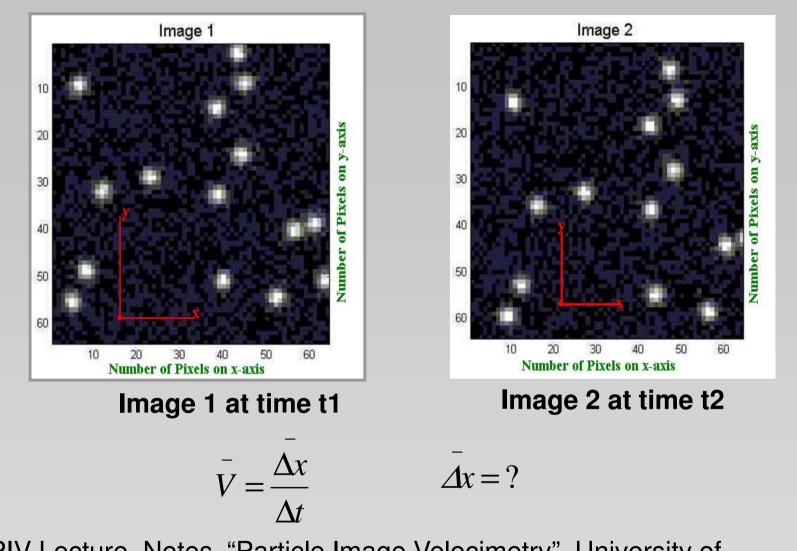
Principle of PIV (Lecture note by Pap, E., Otto-Von-Guericke Universitaet Magdeburg, Institut für Strömungstechnik und Thermodynamik, Lehrstuhl für Strömungsmaschinen)





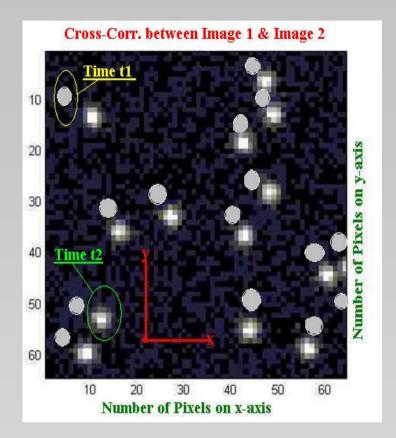
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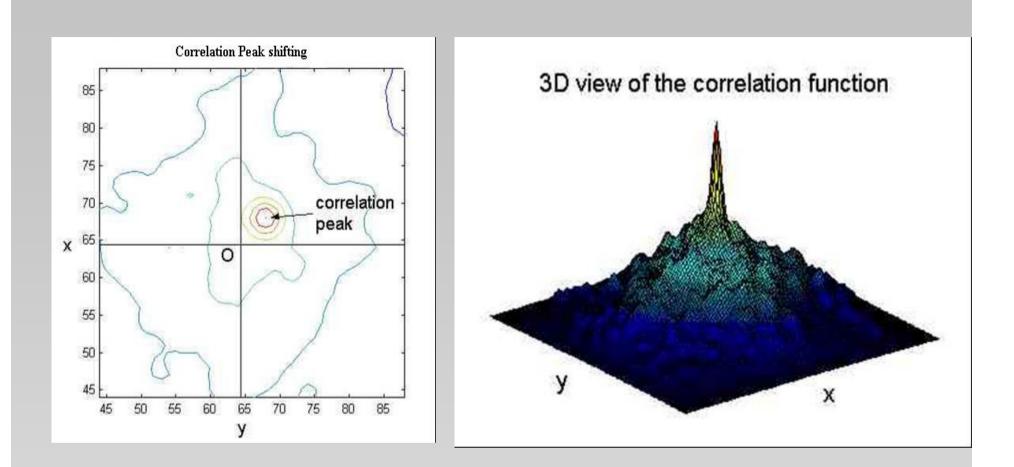
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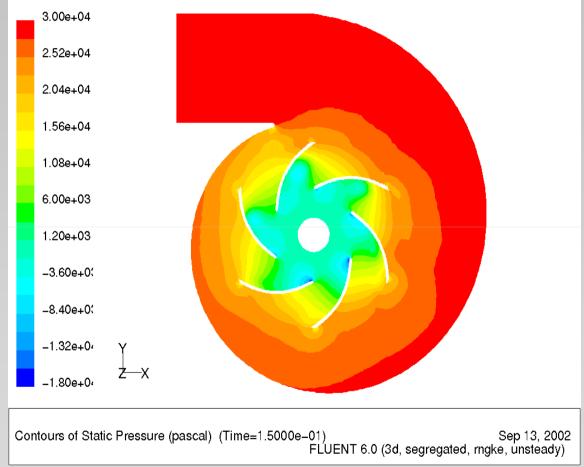




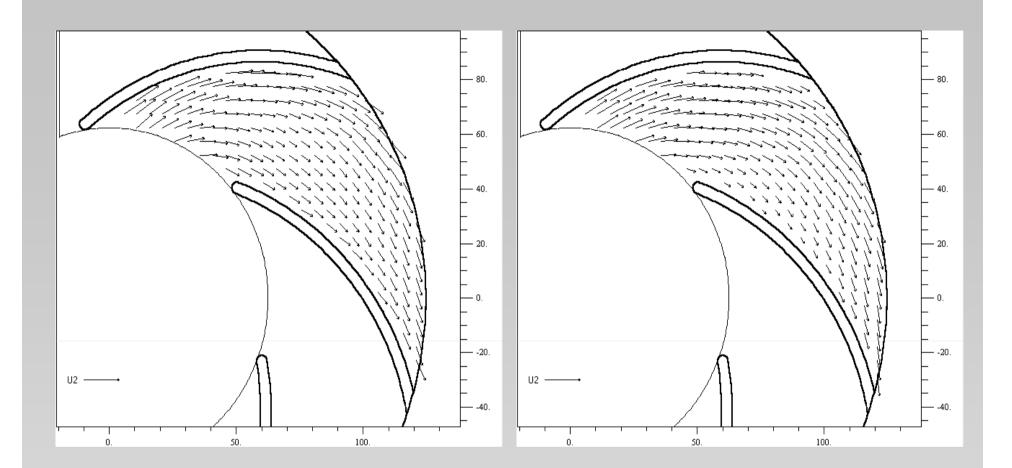
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#### Radial pump simulation: comparison of simulated flow field and PIV data







PIV measurement (Otto-Von-Guericke Universitaet Magdeburg)

FLUENT simulation (Dept. of Fluid Mechanics, BME)



# 9. Hot-Wire Anemometry



• Purpose:

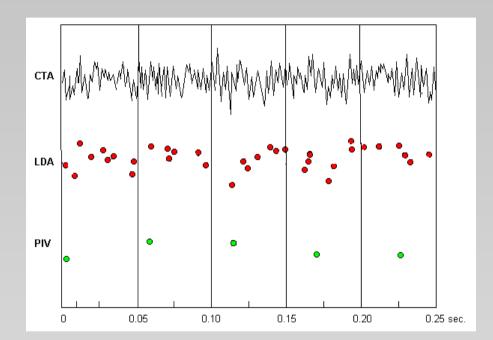
to measure mean and fluctuating variables in fluid flows (velocity, temperature, etc.): mean velocity, turbulence characteristics



#### **Anemometer signal output**

The thermal anemometer provides an analogue output which represents the velocity in a point. A velocity information is thus available anytime.

Note that LDA signals occur at random, while PIV signals are timed with the frame grapping of illuminated particles.



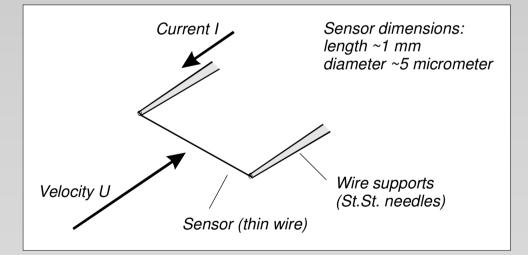


### **Principles of operation**

Consider a thin wire mounted to supports and exposed to a velocity U.

When a current is passed through wire, heat is generated  $(I^2R_w)$ . In equilibrium, this must be balanced by heat loss (primarily convective) to the surroundings.

 If velocity changes, convective heat transfer coefficient will change, wire temperature will change and eventually reach a new equilibrium.





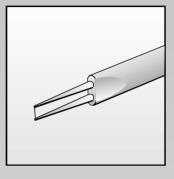
# **Probe types I**

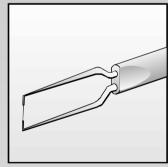
- Miniature Wire Probes
  Platinum-plated tungsten,
  5 μm diameter, 1.2 mm length
- Gold-Plated Probes
  3 mm total wire length,
  1.25 mm active sensor
  copper ends, gold-plated

\_Advantages:

- \_- accurately defined sensing length
- reduced heat dissipation by the prongs
- more uniform temperature distribution along wire
- less probe interference to the flow field







## **Probe types II**

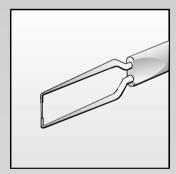
#### • Film Probes

Thin metal film (nickel) deposited on quartz body. Thin quartz layer protects metal film against corrosion, wear, physical damage, electrical action

#### • Fiber-Film Probes

"Hybrid" - film deposited on a thin wire-like quartz rod (fiber) "split fiber-film probes."

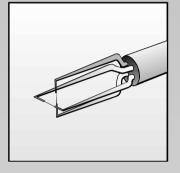






## **Probe types III**

- X-probes for 2D flows
  2 sensors perpendicular to each other. Measures within ±45°.
- Split-fiber probes for 2D flows
  2 film sensors opposite each other on a quartz cylinder. Measures within ±90°.
- Tri-axial probes for 3D flows
  3 sensors in an orthogonal system. Measures within 70° cone.







#### **Constant Temperature Anemometer CTA**

- Principle:
  Sensor resistance is kept constant by servo amplifier
- Advantages:
  - Easy to use
  - High frequency response
  - Low noise
  - Accepted standard
- Disadvantages:
  - More complex circuit

