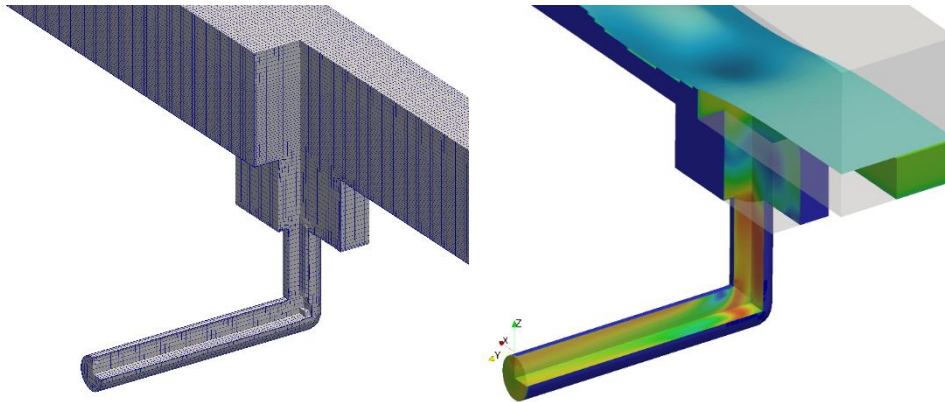


# Hydraulic Structures - Comparison Of Gully Flow Due To Different Gully Outlets



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## Introduction

### Aim

- An urban drainage system flow depends on the surface and the sewer network as well as on their **linking elements**.
- **Gullies** are common elements in an urban drainage system which collect runoff from roadside curbs and **conveys** it to the buried drainage system - accurate prediction of **discharge capacity of a gully is important as it decides the amount of flow between surface and underground drainage network** → Different types of gully outlets may have different discharge capacities due to its size and positioning; which often ignored in preparing a flood routing model
- OpenFOAM® CFD modelling toolbox with the solver *interFoam* that includes Volume of Fluid (VOF) method is able to simulate this kind of flows

## Introduction

### objective

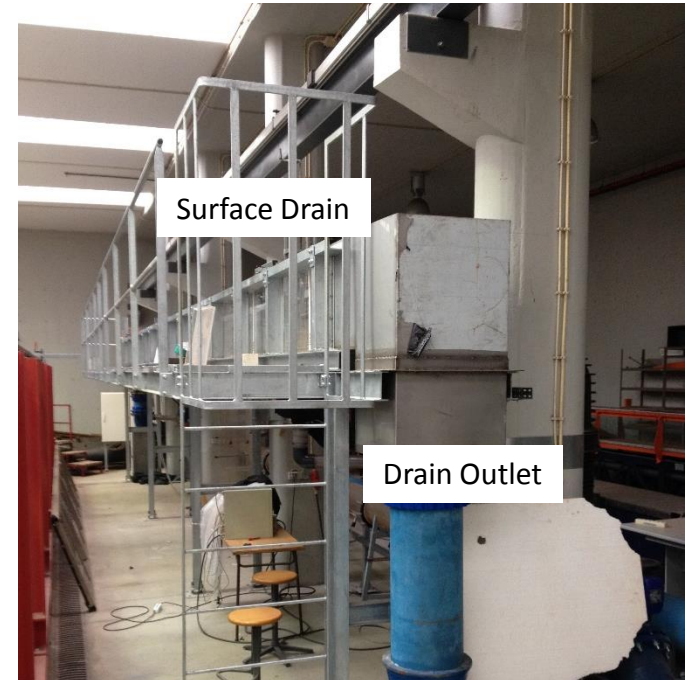
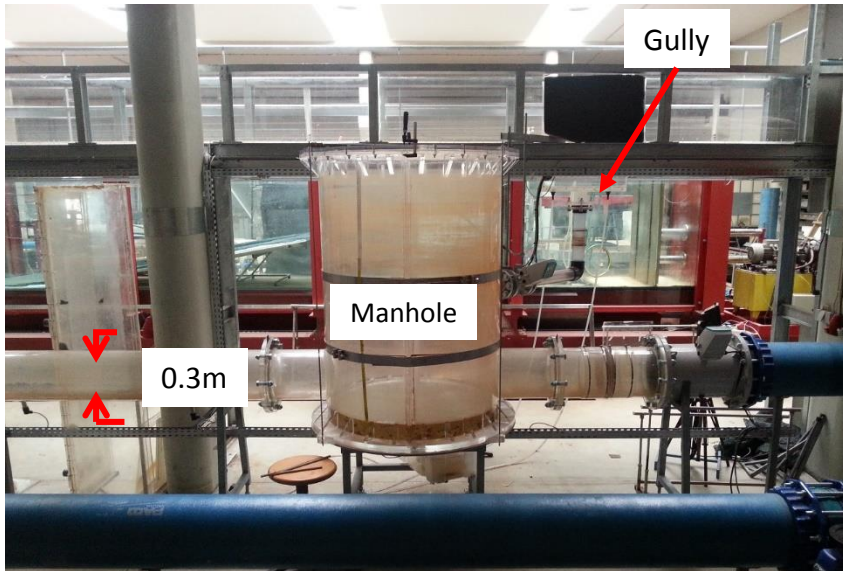
- **simulate numerically** the hydraulic performance of a gully, sizing 0.6 m × 0.24 m × 0.32 m (L × W × D) connected below a 0.5 m wide rectangular channel and draining to a manhole of 1 m diameter.
- validate model simulation with data from Dual Drainage Multiple Linking Element experimental installation located at the Laboratory of Hydraulics of the University of Coimbra.
- investigate flow hydraulics, flow efficiency and discharge coefficient of the gully for different gully outlet pipes.
- find uncertainty in gully discharge coefficient due to different gully outlet geometry

### Methodology

- A validated methodology is adapted from Beg et al. (2017)
- Replication of experimental real scale facility at University of Coimbra containing a surface drain, a gully and a manhole
- Comparison of point velocity at the gully
- Comparison of surcharge and discharge level at the manhole

## Methodology

### Experimental setup

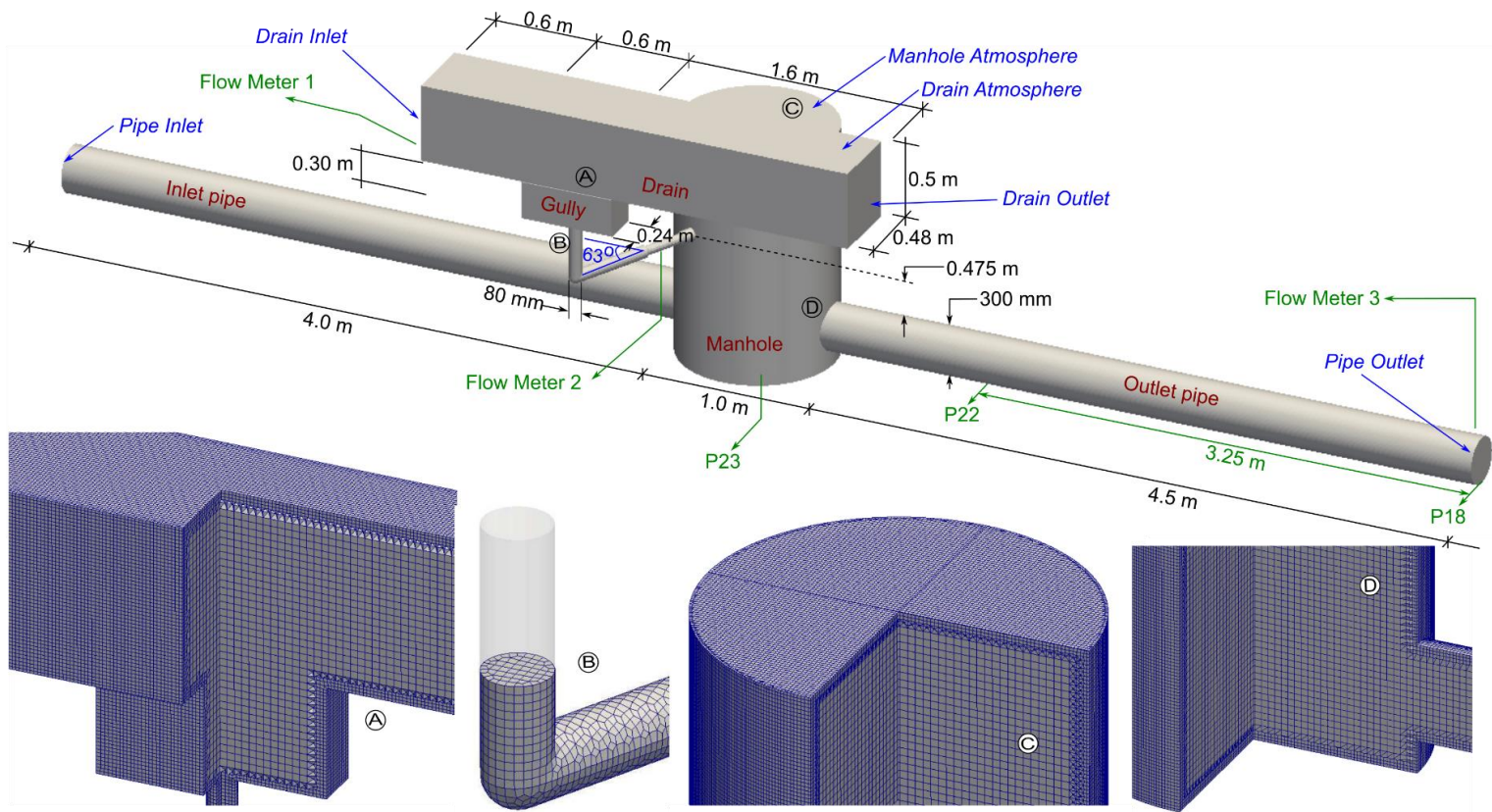


The physical model facility is installed at the Department of Civil Engineering, University of Coimbra.

- 1m diameter manholes
- Connected by a  $\varnothing 300$  sewer pipe
- 0.5m wide and 1% slopped surface
- channel
- $0.6 \times 0.24 \times 0.32$  [m] (L  $\times$  W  $\times$  D)
- gully

# Methodology

## Model validation (Beg et al. 2017)

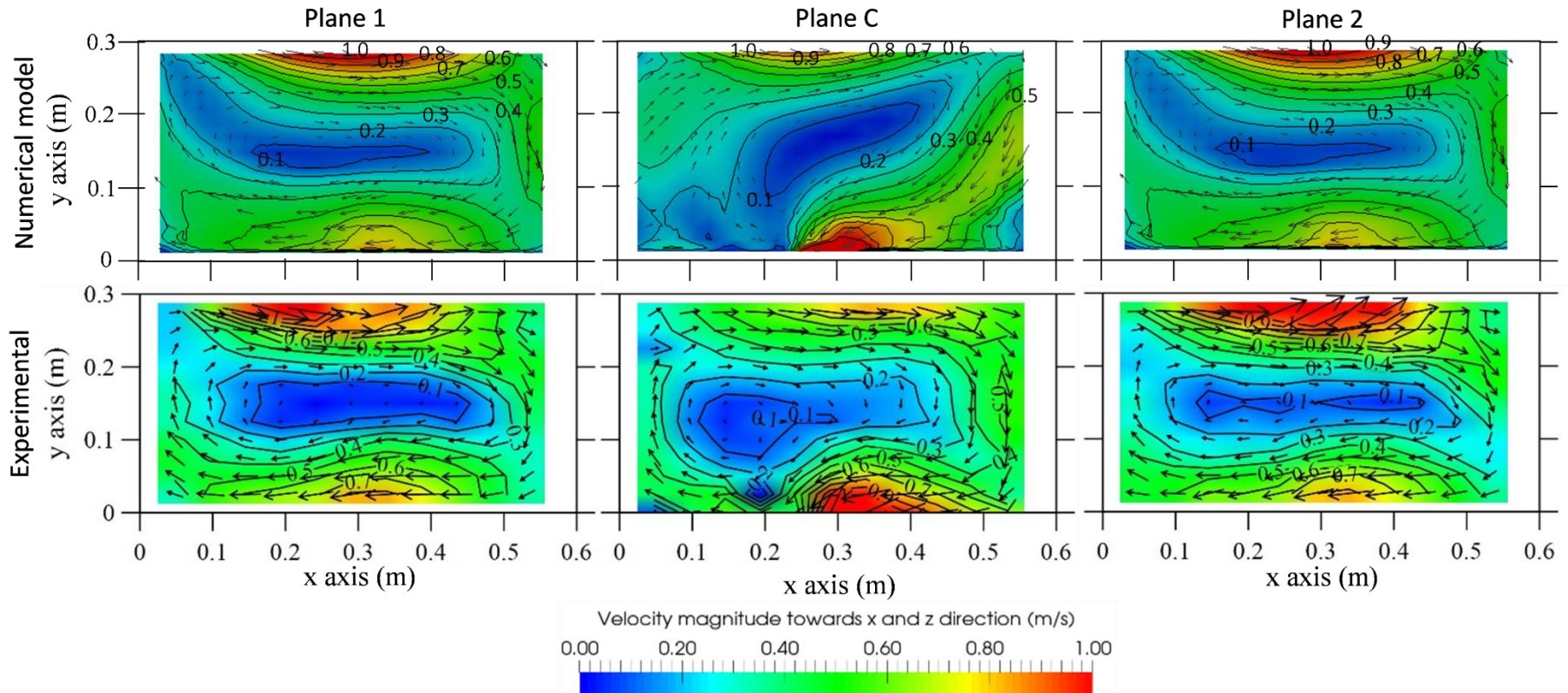


# Methodology

## Model validation (Beg et al. 2017)

The velocity measurement at the gully showed good match with the CFD data

Average correlation coefficient,  $r$ : for  $v_x=0.972$ , and for  $v_z=0.571$



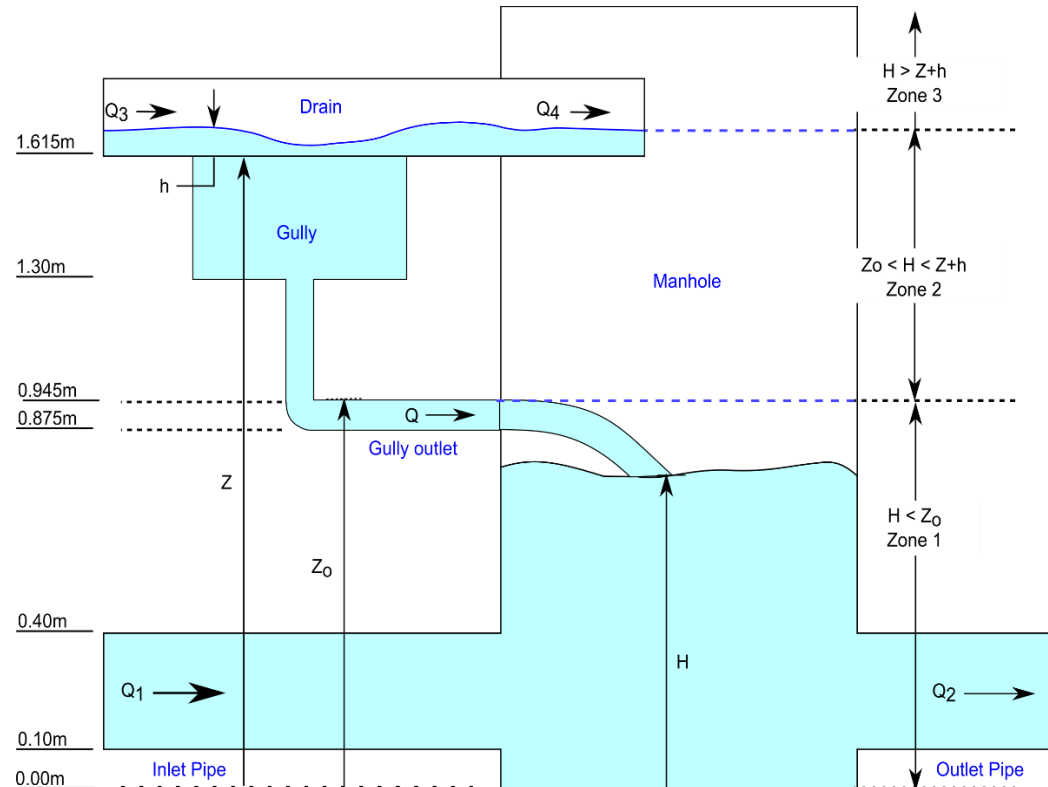
## Methodology

### Model validation (Beg et al. 2017)

Considering orifice flow equation

Coefficient of discharge at the gully pipe  $C_d$ , where  $Q = C_d A_o \sqrt{2gh_o}$

- $Q$  = discharge from the gully, variable at different manhole surcharge
- $A_o$  = Cross sectional area of the orifice,.
- $h_o$  = Head difference from the surface drain to the gully outlet.
- Here, at zone 1,  $h_o$  is constant, which is equal to  $(h+Z-Z_o=)$  0.786 m. At zone 2 and 3,  $h_o$  is a variable and can be calculated as the difference between  $(Z+h)$  and  $H$ .



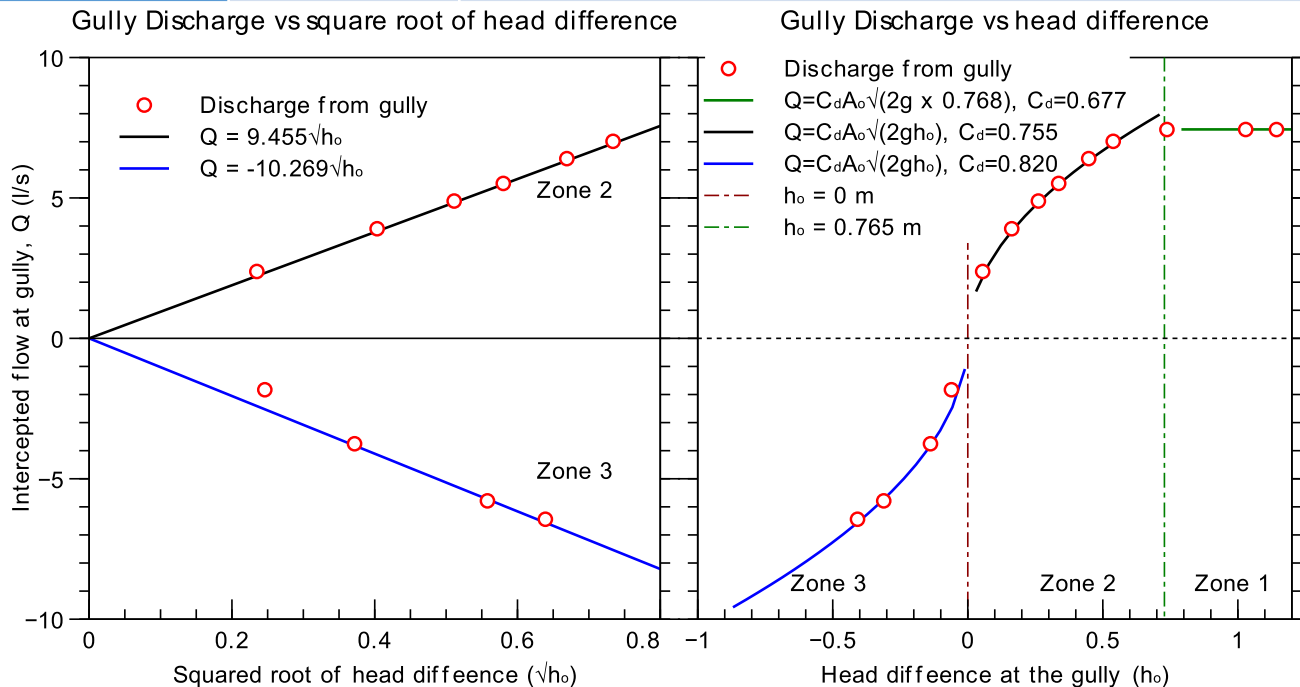


### Methodology

#### Model validation (Beg et al. 2017)

Three different discharge coefficients were identified for the gully outlet at different surcharge conditions

	$C_d$	Remarks
Zone 1	0.677	Free outfall to the atmosphere, like a plunging jet to the manhole
Zone 2	0.755	Submerged jet condition
Zone 3	0.820	Reverse flow from manhole to the gully



## Methodology

### Numerical Model set up

#### Mesh:

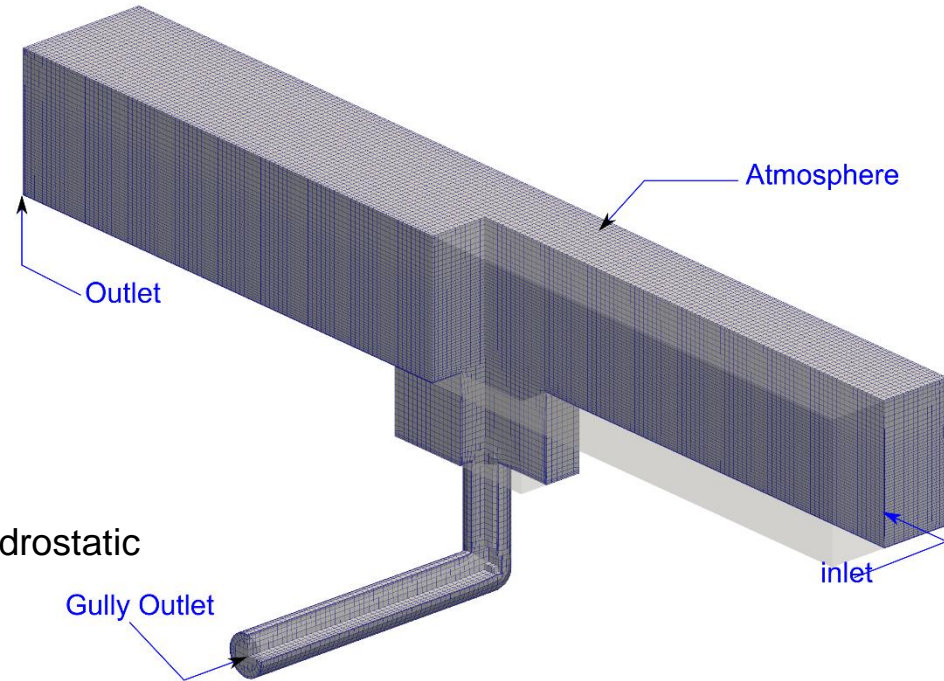
- cfMesh (v 1.1)
- Mesh size: 10 mm to 20 mm
- Boundary mesh layer: 5 layers
- $y^+$ : ranging from 30 to 300 at different walls

#### Boundary conditions:

- Inlet: fixed discharge: 120 l/s
- Drain outlet: atmospheric pressure
- Atmosphere: atmospheric pressure
- Gully outlet: fixed pressure: according to hydrostatic water head
- Wall: no friction; noSlip; wallFunction

#### Numerical model

- VOF model
- interFoam solver
- Turbulence model: Standard k-epsilon
- Turbulence: considered medium intensity
- Run: MPI mode, using cluster computing at UC



#### Results

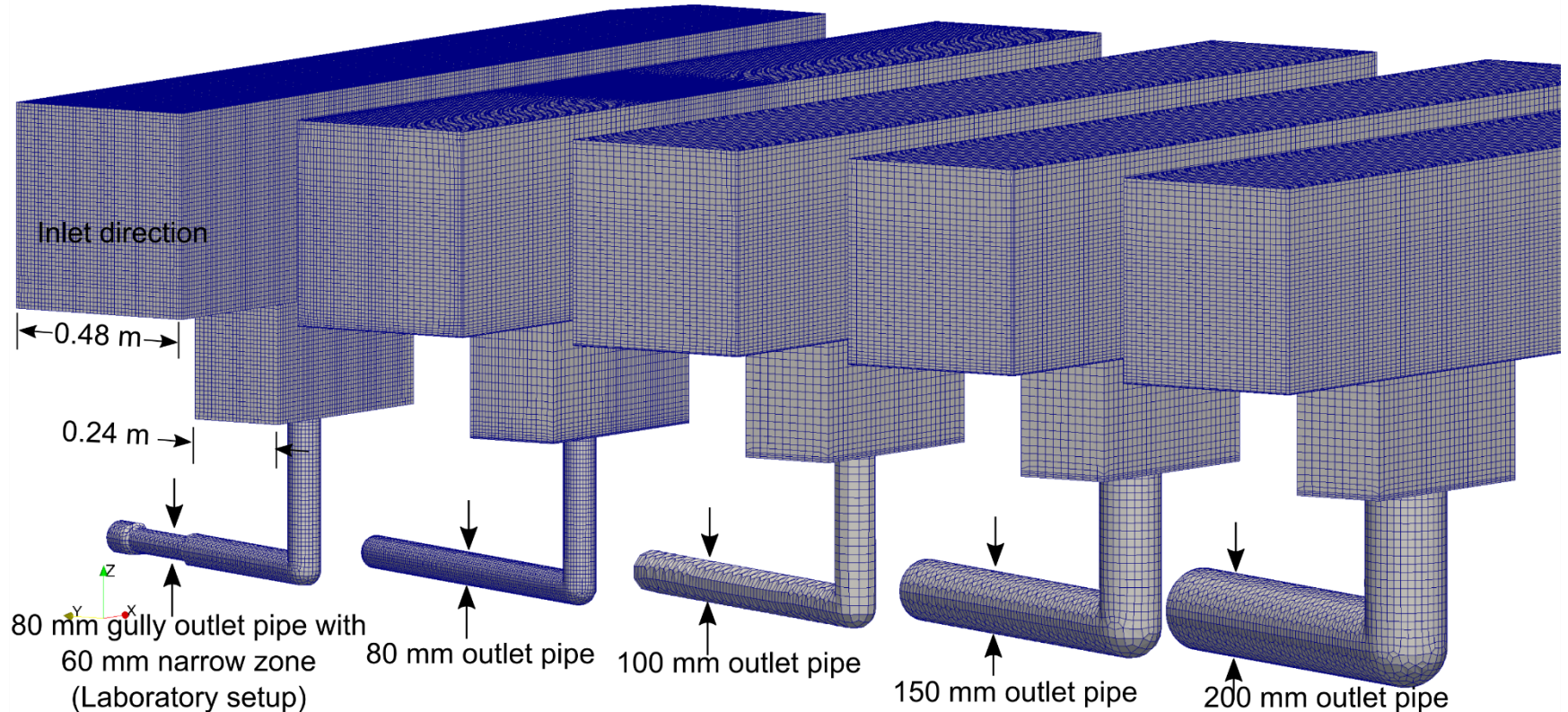
- 35 sec run to get steady state
- 5 sec of results saved at 0.05 sec interval, totalling 101 time steps
- All results are based on averaged data of 101 time steps

# Methodology

## Numerical Model set up

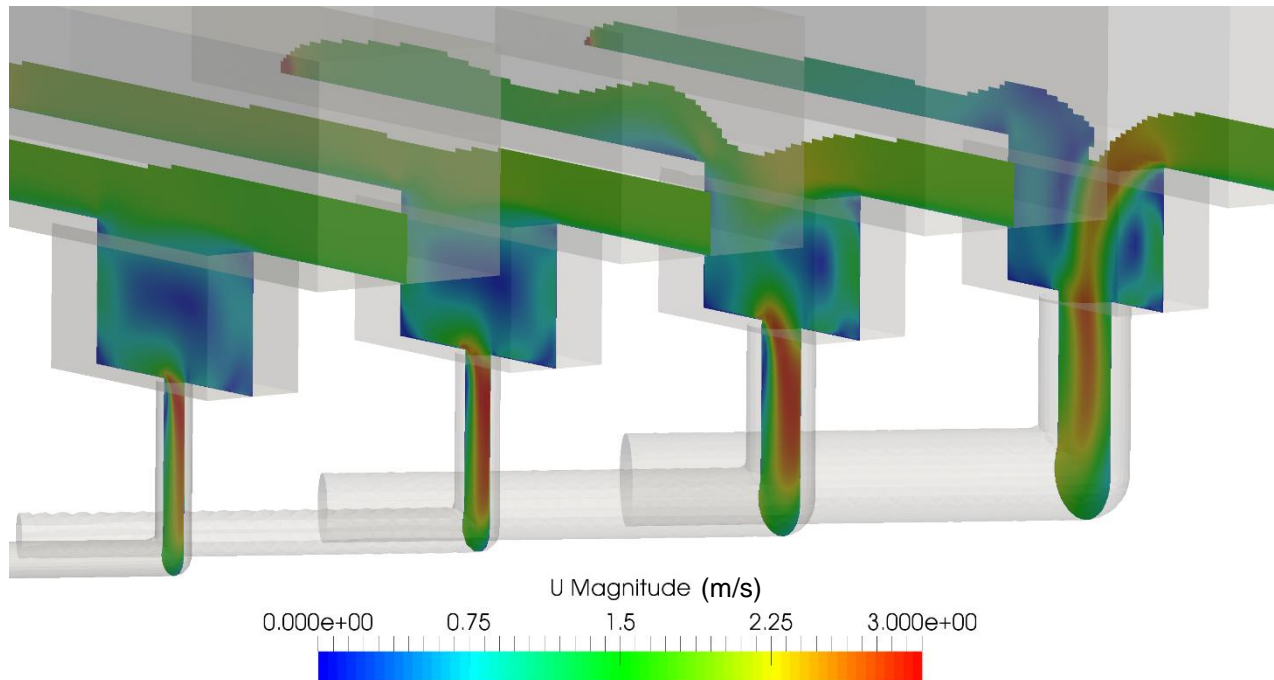
Explore further to check the coefficient of discharge for other types of gully outlet

Outlet direction



### Results

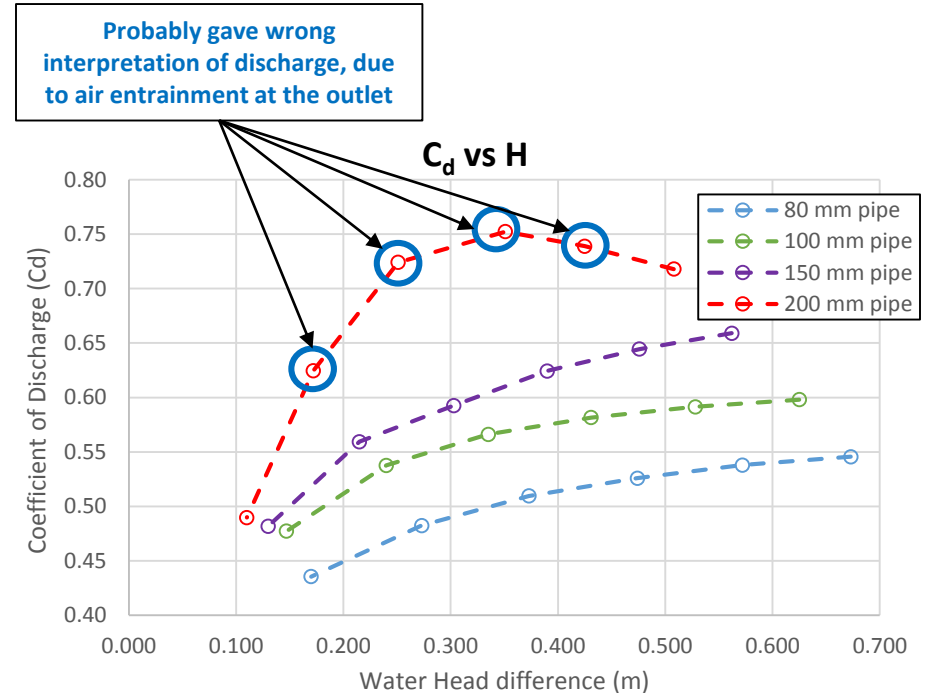
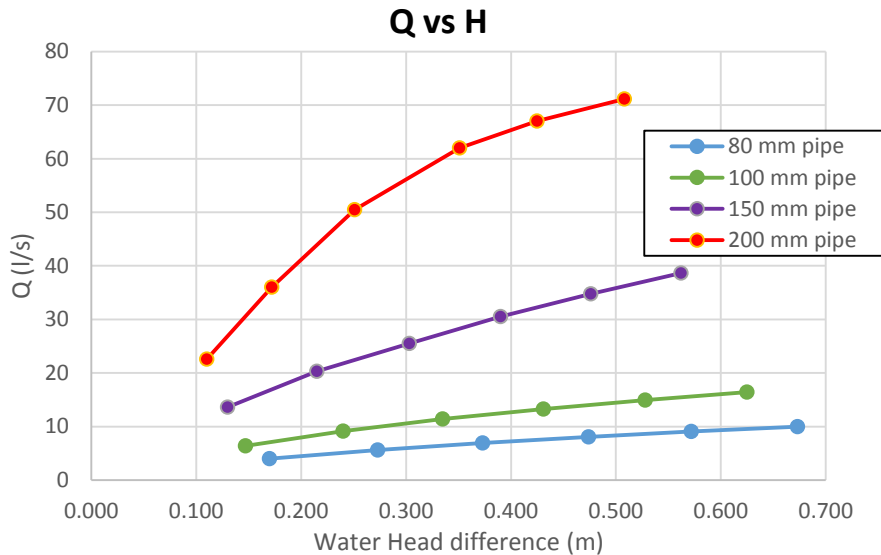
### Velocity at different gully



- In smaller diameter of outlet pipes, high velocity zone is concentrated at smaller area: which is at the same side of the inlet
- In a bigger diameter outlet pipe, the high velocity zone is moved towards the centre
- Ratio of effective area becomes larger in bigger diameter outlet

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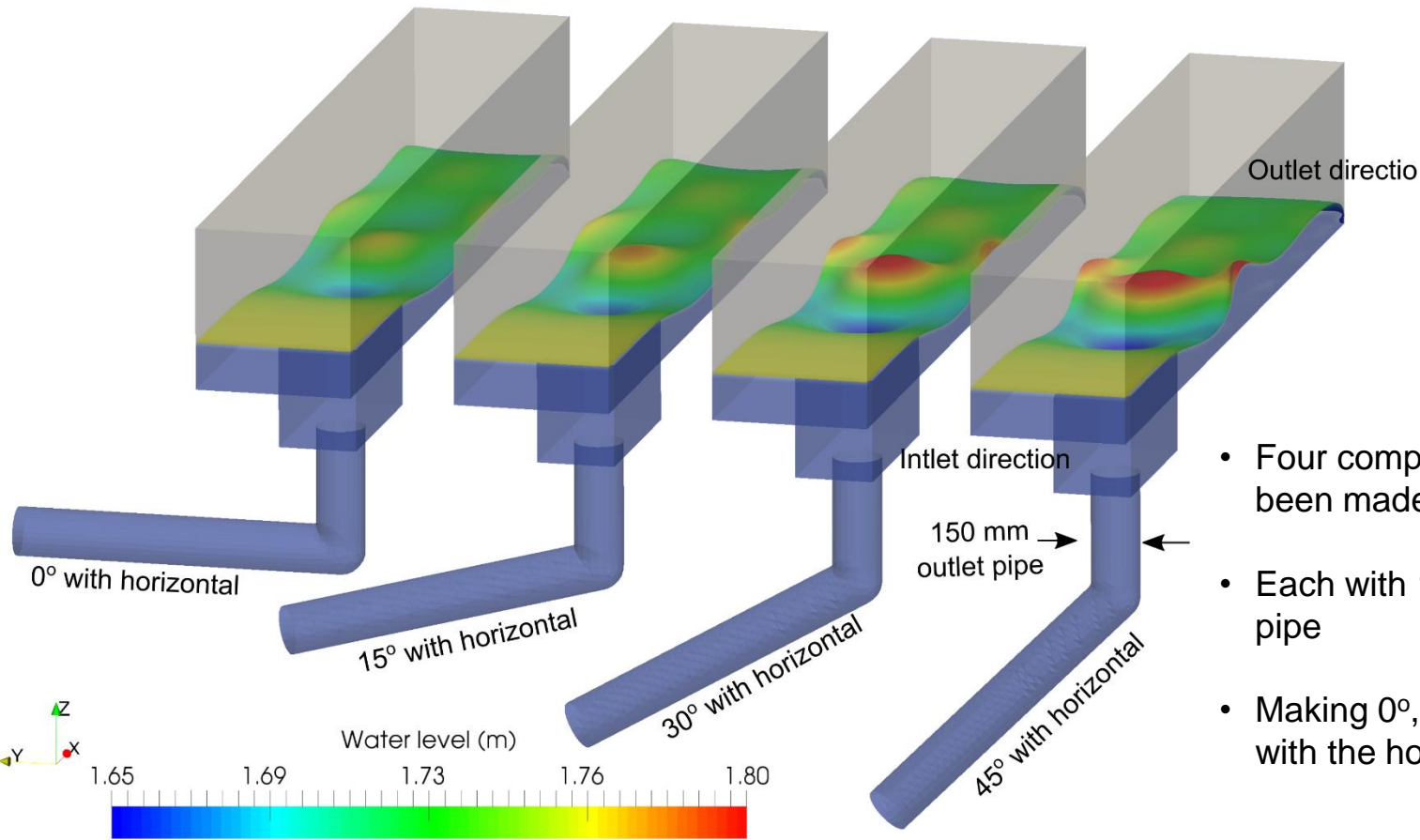
#### Effects of different size of gully outlet



- With the increase in pipe diameter, the gully flow increases
- The flow rate increases with head difference
- However, the discharge coefficient,  $C_d$  increases with the increase in pipe diameter
- At higher head difference, the  $C_d$  increases

# Results

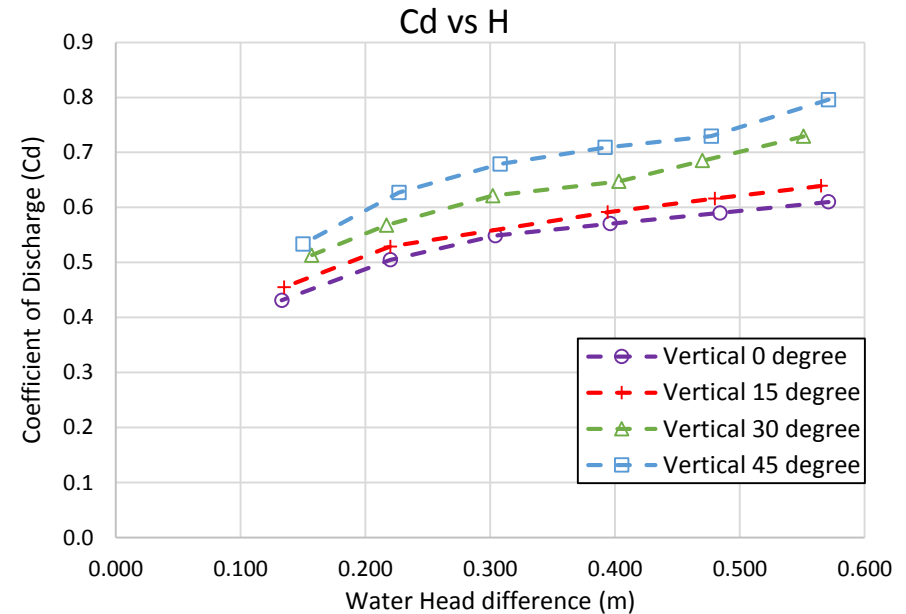
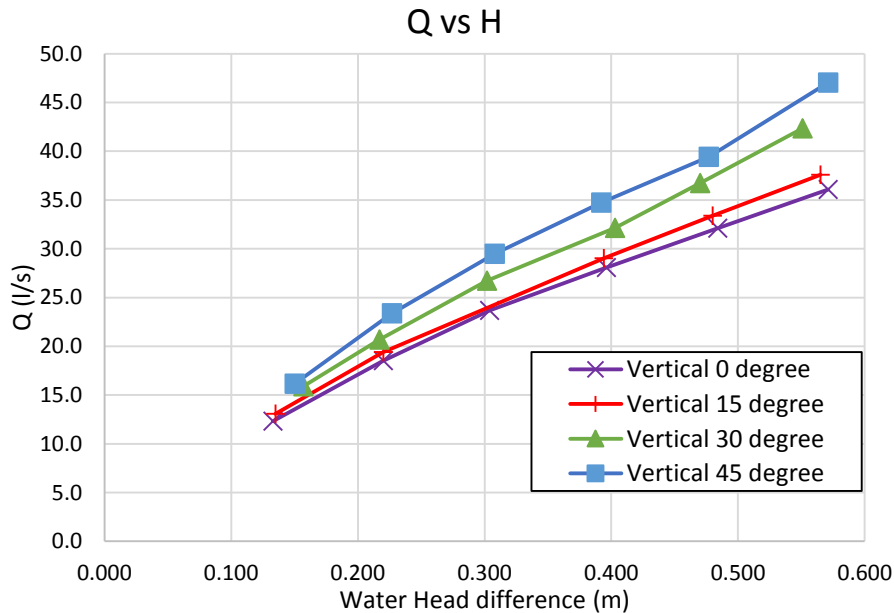
## Effects of different angle of gully outlet



- Four comparisons have been made
- Each with 150 mm outlet pipe
- Making 0°, 15°, 30° and 45° with the horizontal direction

## Results

### Effects of different angle of gully outlet



- When the outlet is more inclined to vertical, the outlet draws more discharge
- Discharge coefficient,  $C_d$  increases with the increase of the angle to horizontal plane
- The percentage of increase of  $C_d$  is higher at higher head difference and lower at lower head difference

### Conclusion

- A real scale gully model was made using OpenFOAM
- The model methodology was validated at Beg et al. (2017)
- Discharge coefficient was checked from different size and position of gully outlet pipe
- Larger outlet pipes showed higher discharge coefficient compared to smaller outlet pipes
- Gully outlet having different angles with the horizontal showed different discharge coefficients
- The uncertainty in the gully discharge coefficient will be quantified at a latter stage of the research



**Thank you for your attention**



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