



Figure 1: Schematic illustration single plume experiment.

### 3 Analyzing the single plume experiment (Bains and Turner, 1969)

We consider a tank of cross section  $A_C$  filled with fresh water, and a axisymmetric plume (salt water solution colored by a dye) from the top of the tank ( $z = 0$ ). We set time  $t = 0$  when  $z_F(t) = z_{F0}$ , where  $z_F$  is the height of the colored salt water's front which comes up from the bottom. It is convenient to choose  $z_{F0}$  at the height where we can measure  $z_F$  accurately.

Considering the balance of the volume of the colored salt water at  $z = z_F$ , time derivative of  $(z_F(t) + z_V)$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(z_F(t) + z_V) &= -\frac{Q(z_F)}{A_C}, \\ &= -\frac{Q_0}{A_C}(z_F + z_V)^{\frac{5}{3}}. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Integrating (22), we obtain

$$\int_{z_{F0}}^{z_F} (z_F + z_V)^{-\frac{5}{3}} d(z_F + z_V) = -\frac{Q}{A_C} \int_0^t dt \quad (23)$$

$$-\frac{3}{2} \left[ (z_F + z_V)^{-\frac{2}{3}} - (z_{F0} + z_V)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \right] = -\frac{Q_0}{A_C} t, \quad (24)$$

$$(z_F + z_V)^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{Q_0}{A_C} t + (z_{F0} + z_V)^{-\frac{2}{3}}. \quad (25)$$

### 4 Coalescing axisymmetric turbulent equal plumes (Kaye and Linden, 2004)

We define dimensionless variables as followings,

$$\lambda = \frac{z}{\xi_0}, \quad \phi = \frac{\xi}{\xi_0}, \quad \gamma = \frac{b}{\xi}, \quad (26)$$