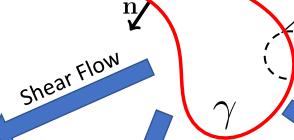


(b): A starfish vesicle at t=0 relaxes and swells to a circle.



Influx of water

(a): A semi-permeable vesicle (permeable only to water) immersed in a viscous fluid.



Efflux of water

Confinement in a contracting channel

$$\dot{\gamma} = 2 \times 10^{-5} \,\text{m/s}$$

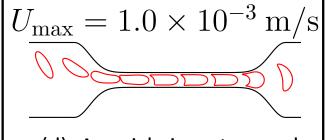
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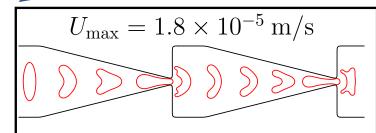
$$\dot{\gamma} = 2 \times 10^{-2} \,\text{m/s}$$

(c): A vesicle in a shear flow tank treads with a final reduced area and inclination angle that depend on the flow rate.

Confinement in a closely fit channel



(d): A vesicle in a stenosed geometry loses 6% of its fluid volume.



(e): A vesicle passing repeatedly through a slit geometry loses close to 50% of its fluid volume.