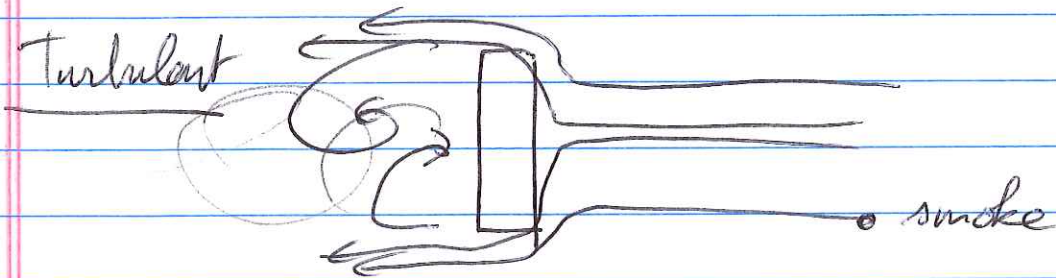
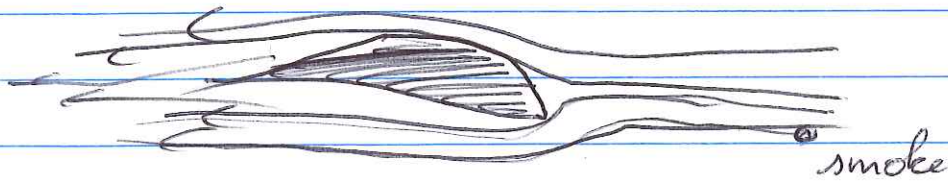


Laminar: no mixing of fluid layers, streamlines



eddies, swirls, caused by - sharp corners  
- swift flow

Reynolds number  $N_R = \frac{2\rho v r}{\eta}$  for tube of radius  $r$   
 $\eta$  } unit - len

$N_R > 3000 \rightarrow$  turbulence

$N_R < 2000 \rightarrow$  laminar

in between  $\rightarrow$  unstable, ill-determined

Reynolds can be used to scale up or scale down systems

Turbulence is more likely:

- higher density
- higher velocity
- higher radius
- lower viscosity

Example: ~~At~~ At what speed will blood flow turn turbulent in artery with  $r = 2 \text{ mm}$ ?

$$\rho = 1060 \text{ kg/m}^3, \quad \eta = 2.08 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$N_R = 3000 = \frac{2\rho r v}{\eta} \rightarrow v = \frac{N_R \eta}{2\rho r}$$

$$v = \frac{(3000)(2.08 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s})}{2(1060 \text{ kg/m}^3)(0.002 \text{ m})} = \underline{3.0 \text{ m/s}}$$

Typical blood flow speed in pulmonary artery is  $1.9 \text{ m/s}$

\* General expression  $N_R = \frac{\rho v L}{\eta}$   $2r = L$  for tube

$L$  is any characteristic length scale

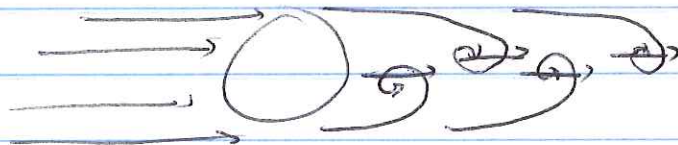
Example: Tacoma ~~Narrows~~ Narrows bridge.

At what speed will a cable (21' diameter) cause turbulence?

$$N_R = \frac{\rho v L}{\eta} \rightarrow v = \frac{N_R \eta}{\rho L} = \frac{(3000)(10^{-3} \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s})}{(1.29 \text{ kg/m}^3)(21 \text{ inch})}$$

$$v = 4 \text{ m/s}, \quad 9 \text{ mph}$$

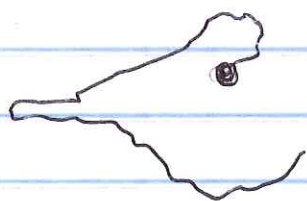
"Vortex shedding"





# \* Diffusion, Brownian motion, random walk

Brownian motion: nano-particles in water get bombarded from all sides by water molecules  
 → nano-particles start moving

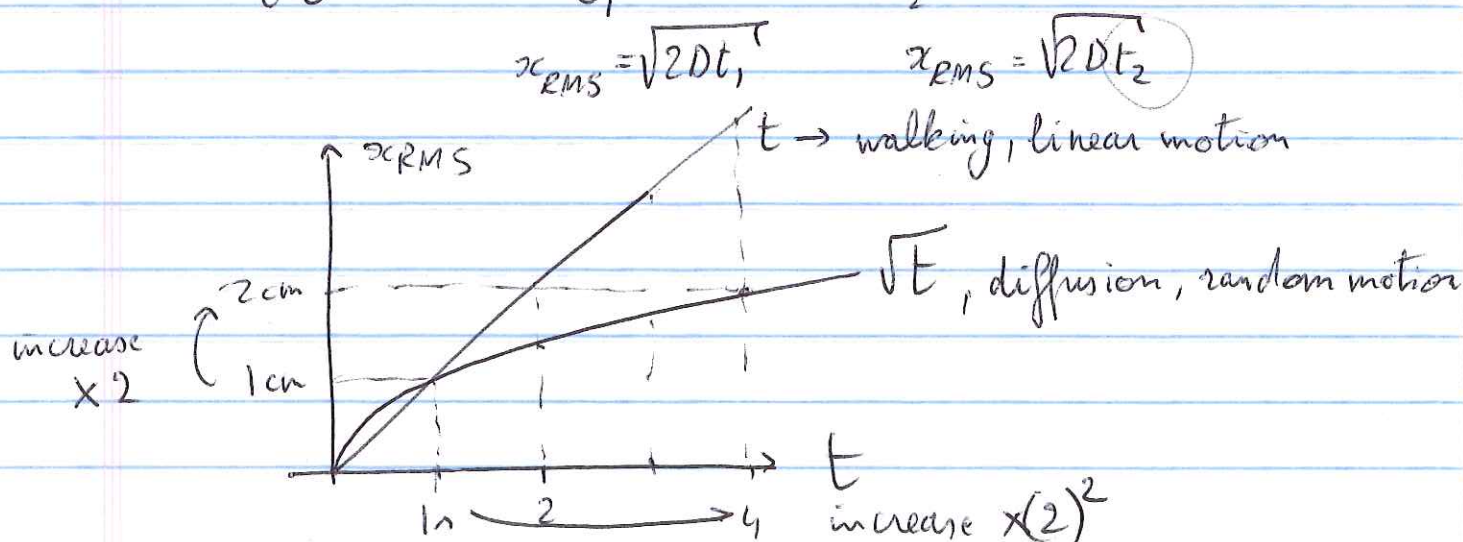
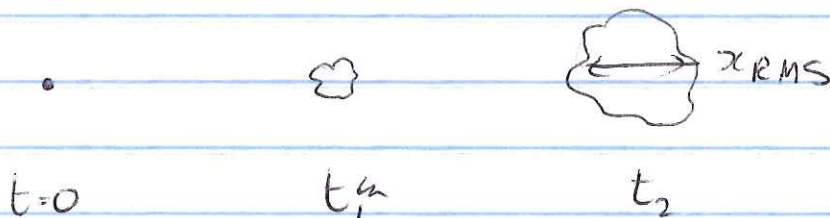


position  $x$  is a random variable that changes randomly:  $\langle x \rangle = 0$  = average position

$$x_{RMS} = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle} = \text{root-mean-square of position}$$

\* Diffusion law:  $x_{RMS} = \sqrt{2Dt}$

$D$  = diffusion constant of a molecule in a particular solution, units  $\frac{m^2}{s}$



D for $O_2$ in $H_2O$	$1.0 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s}$	smaller for larger molecule
$C_6H_{12}O_6$ in $H_2O$ (glucose)	$0.7 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s}$	
hemoglobin in $H_2O$	$0.07 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s}$	
DNA in $H_2O$	$0.0013 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s}$	

Breathing cycle: how far will  $O_2$  diffuse in  $H_2O$  for  
1 second breathing cycle?

$$x_{RMS} = \sqrt{2Dt} = \sqrt{2(1.0 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s})(1s)} = 45 \mu m$$

Red blood cell:  $8 \mu m$

$$t = \frac{x_{RMS}^2}{2D_{hemoglobin}} = 0.5 s$$

Amoeba:  $500 \mu m$

$$t = \frac{x_{RMS}^2}{2D_{O \text{ in } H_2O}} = \frac{(500 \times 10^{-6} m)^2}{2(1.0 \times 10^{-9} \frac{m^2}{s})} = 100 s$$

Short distances are ruled by diffusion

Longer distance require an active transport mechanism

→ pumps, molecular motors, ATP flagella