

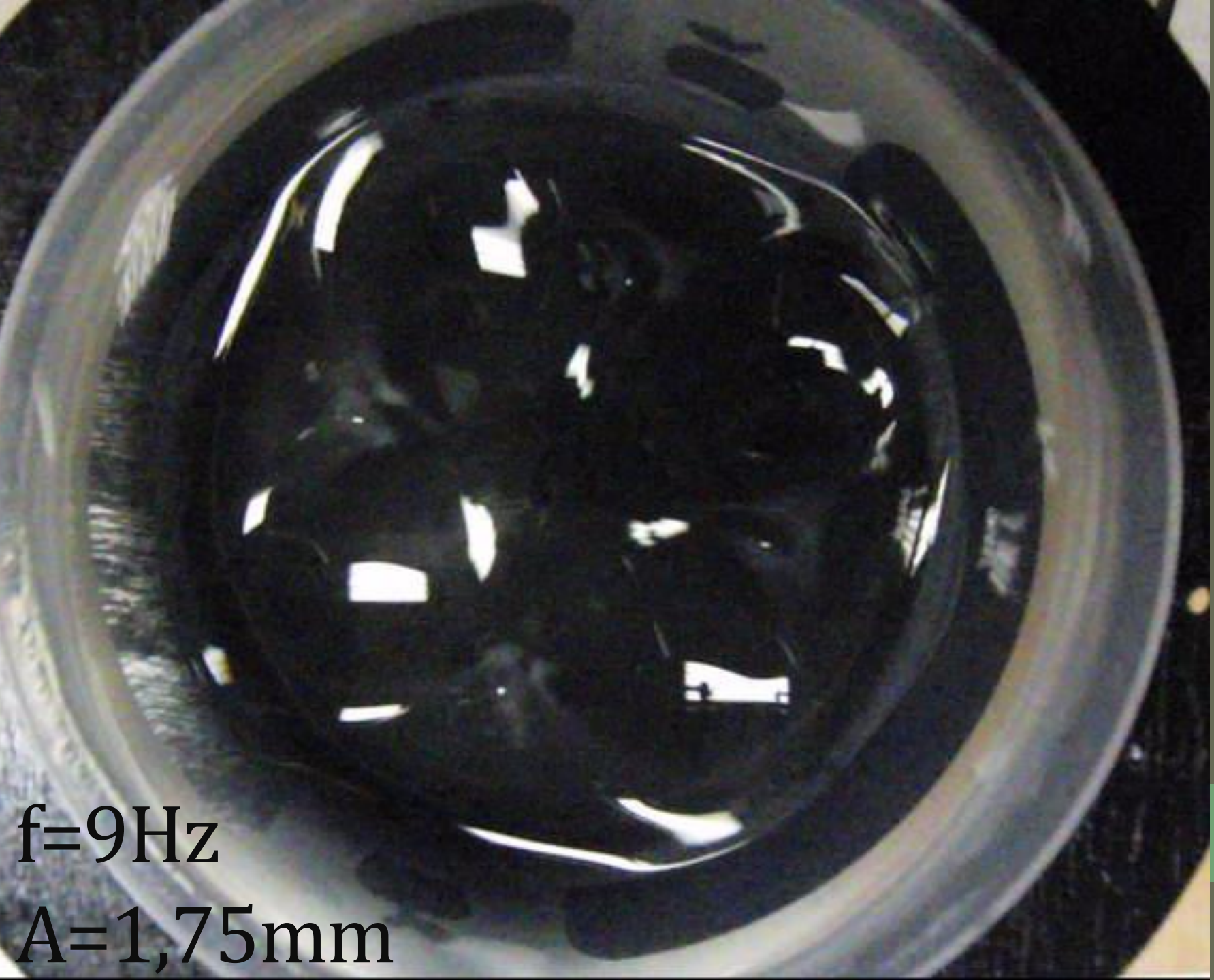
15. Oil stars

If a thick layer of a viscous fluid (e.g. silicone oil) is vibrated vertically in a circular reservoir, symmetrical standing waves can be observed. How many lines of symmetry are there in such wave patterns? Investigate and explain the shape and behaviour of the patterns.

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$f=9\text{Hz}$

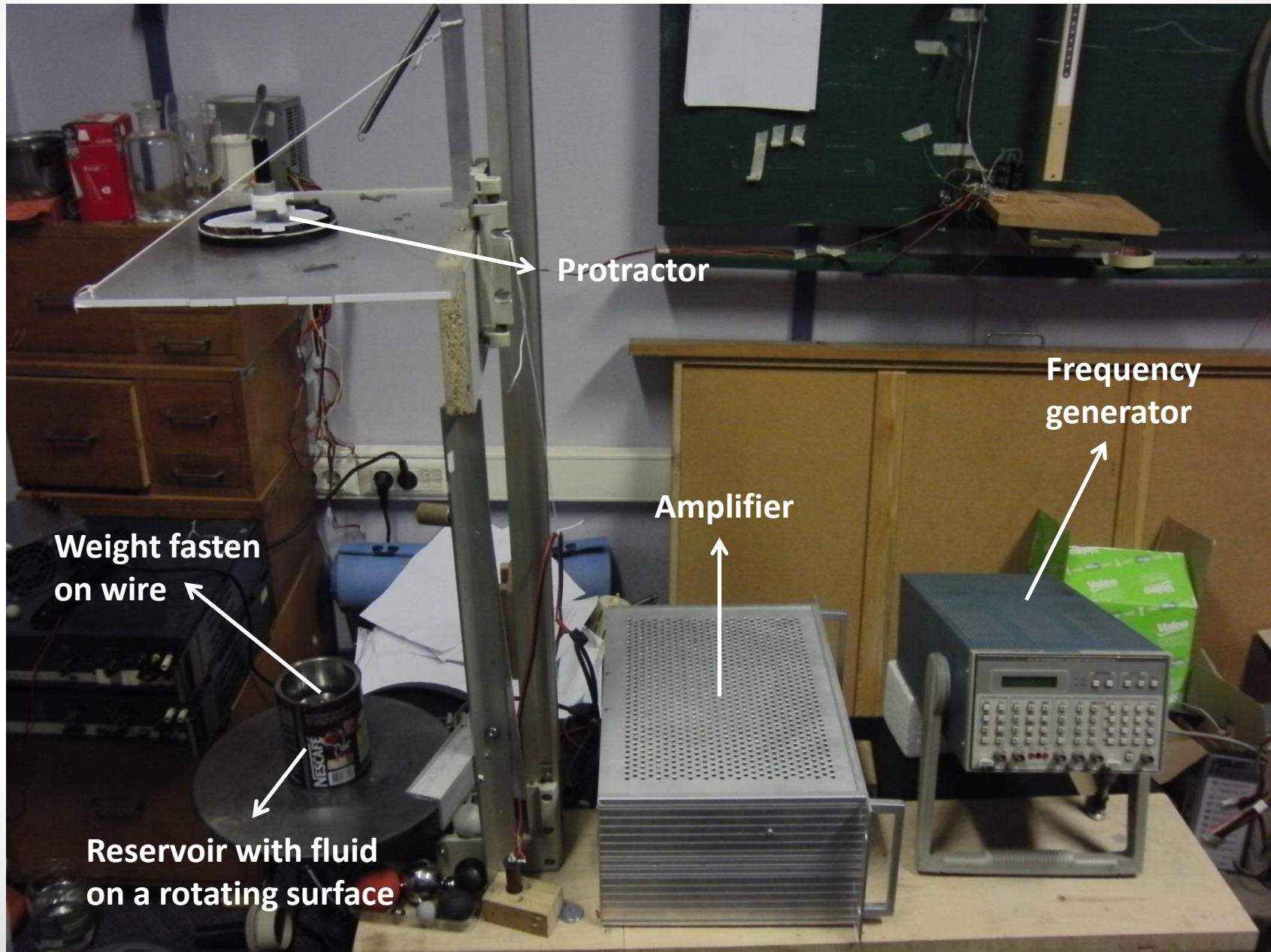
$A=1,75\text{mm}$

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Observations

- nonlinear standing waves in three dimensions—
„searching”, sudden appearing/disappearing of waves
while changing frequency or amplitude by which reservoir
is vibrated
- symmetries
- if volume of fluid in reservoir is increased, lower
frequencies and amplitudes are needed to observe
similar waves
- fluids of high viscosity should be used, otherwise there
aren't any results
- if fluids of higher viscosity are used, more complicated
waves and symmetries are being observed

Measuring viscosity



Measuring viscosity

- glycerol and silicon oil (Newtonian fluids)
- knowing the measured angular displacement and frequency (determined with stroboscope) while rotating reservoir, viscosity of fluid in reservoir was calculated
- While doing measurements, we were adding known volume (height) of the fluid in reservoir
- derived equations:

$$\mu = \Delta\varphi v = \frac{\Delta\varphi}{\Delta V * k} ,$$

$$\text{where } \Delta V = (r_2^2 - r_1^2)\pi h$$

μ - viscosity

v – rotating frequency

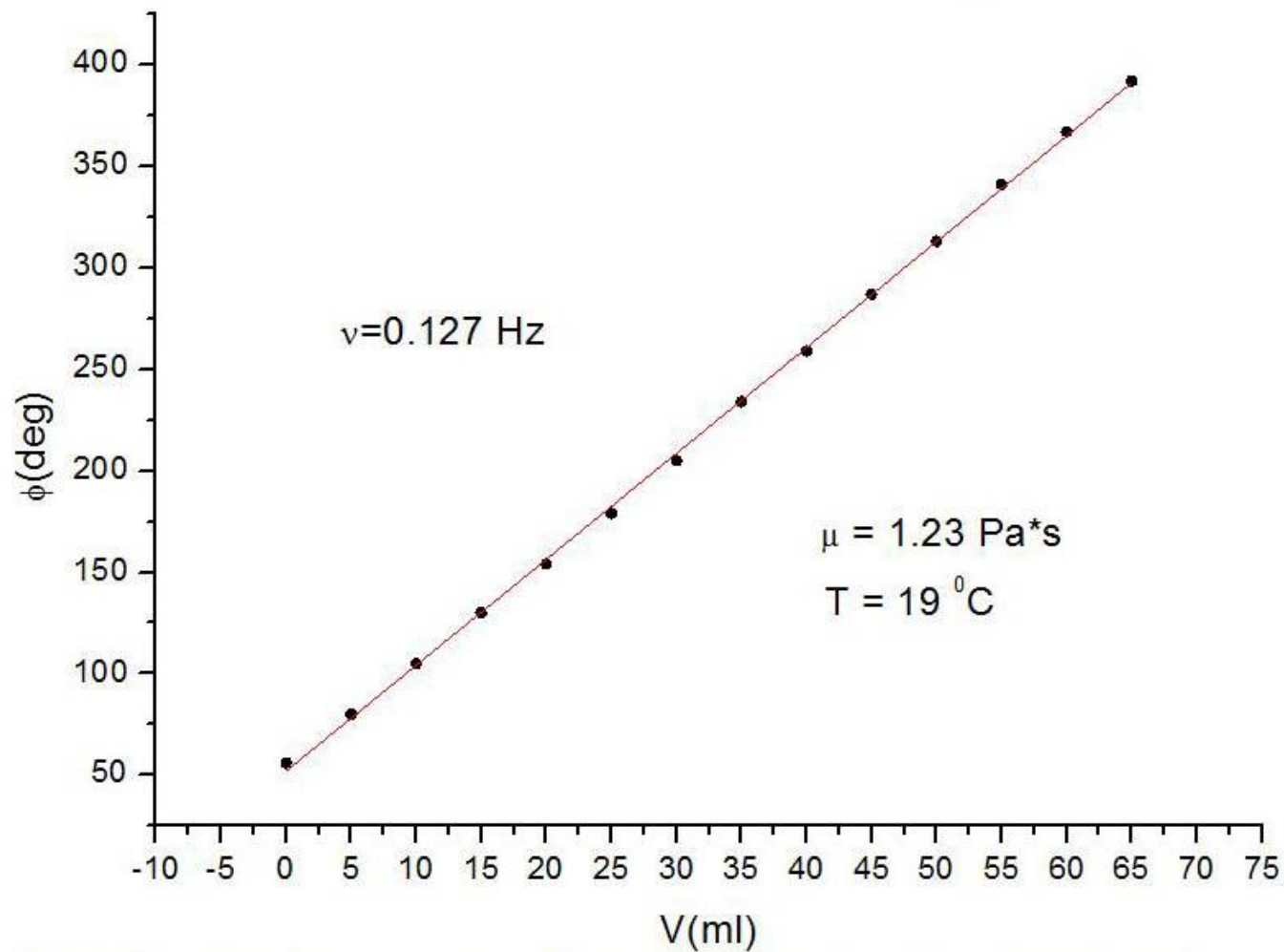
$\Delta\varphi$ – change of angle

ΔV – change of volume

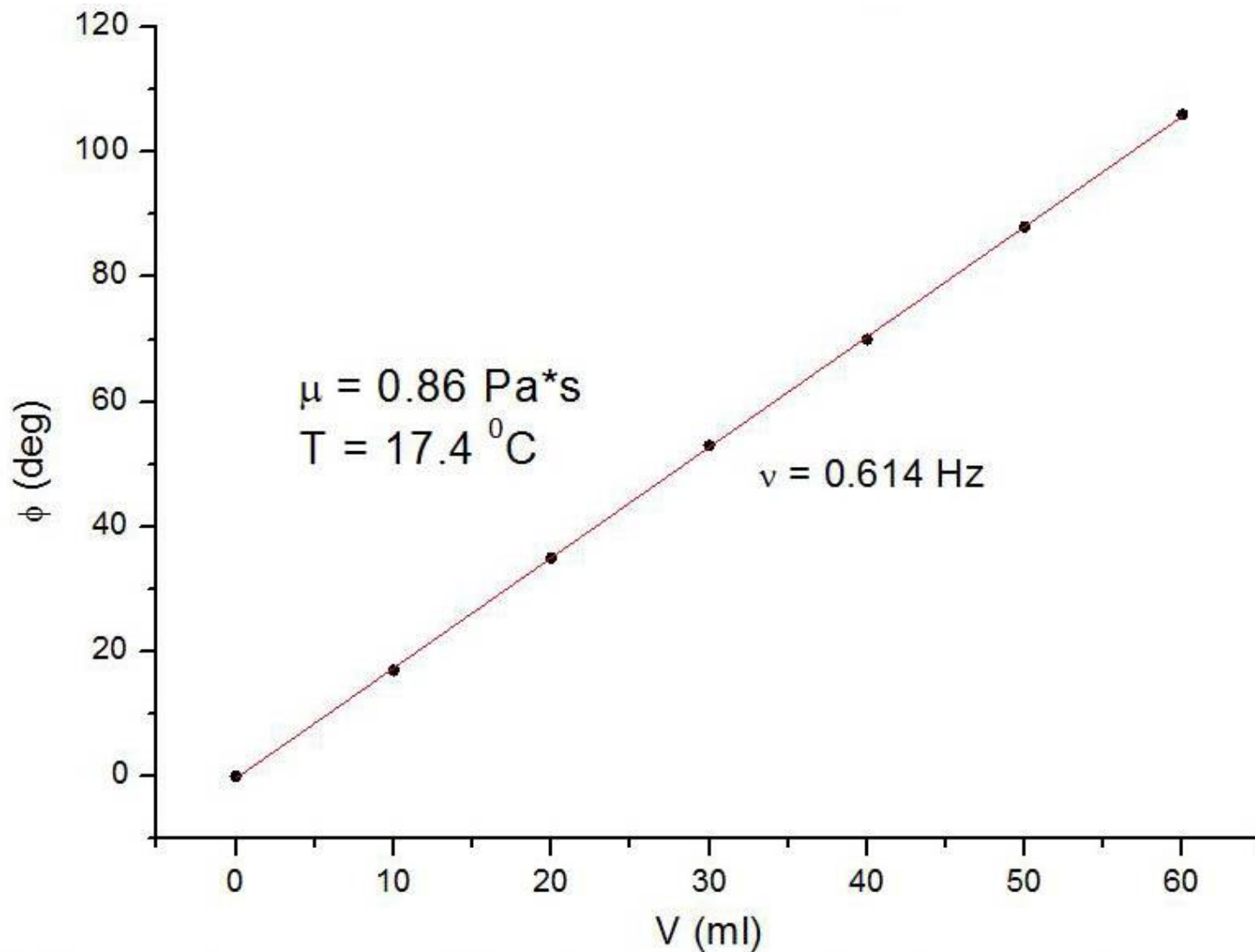
k - constant of the wire

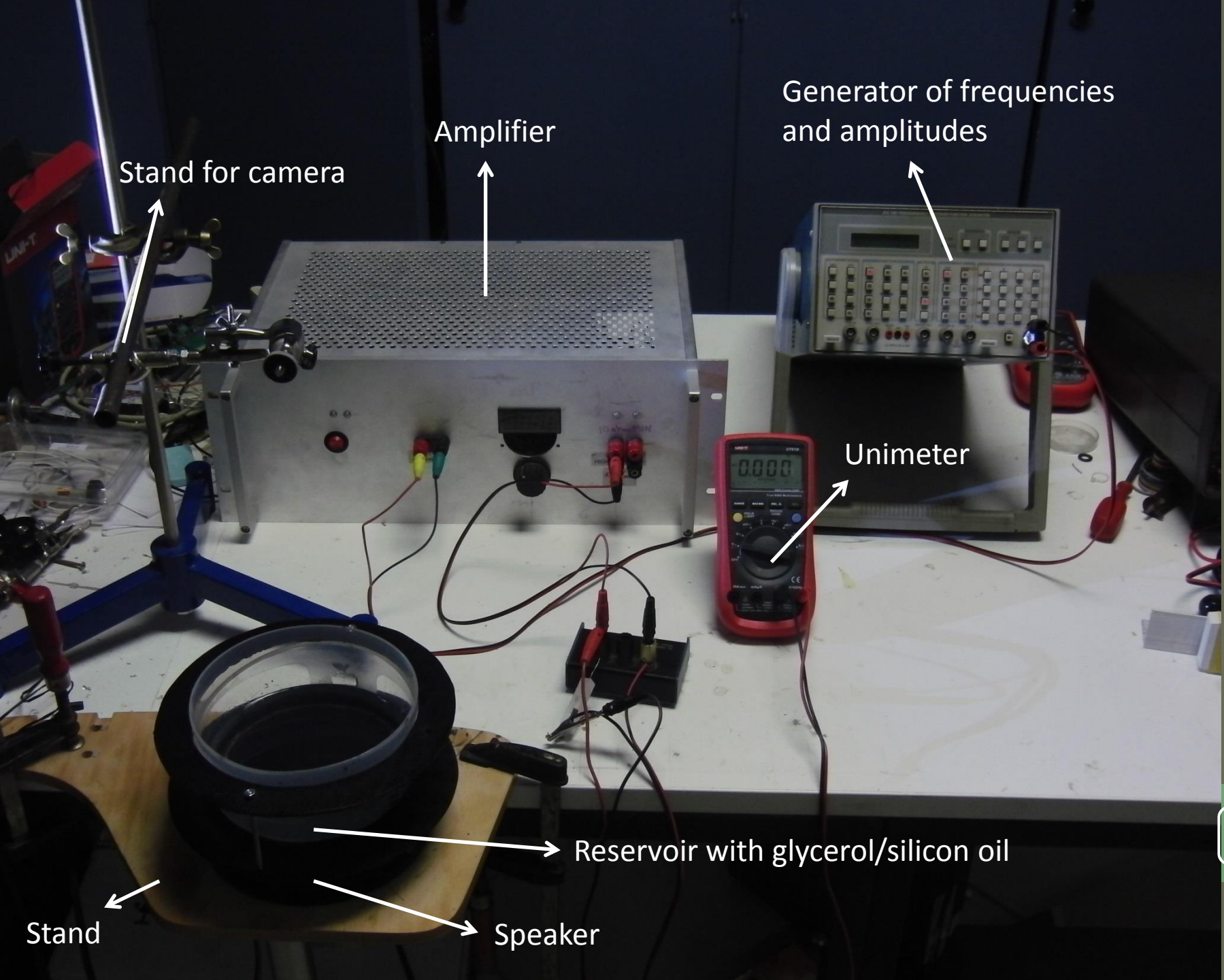
h – height of fluid in reservoir

Results - glycerol



Results – silicon oil





Stand for camera

Amplifier

Generator of frequencies
and amplitudes

Unimeter

Reservoir with glycerol/silicon oil

Stand

Speaker

Mathematical model

General equation of standing wave:

$$y(\mathbf{x}, t) = A \cos(\mathbf{kx} - \omega t)$$

Velocity of particle situated on place x in moment t :

$$v_y(\mathbf{x}, t) = A\omega \sin(\mathbf{kx} - \omega t)$$

General equation for two dimensional wave:

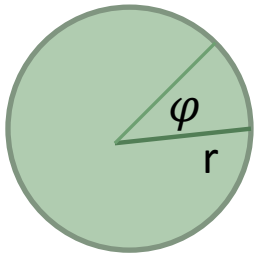
$$\frac{\partial^2 u(\mathbf{x}, y, t)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(\mathbf{x}, y, t)}{\partial y^2} - \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 u(\mathbf{x}, y, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

solution of this equation is $u(\mathbf{x}, y, t)$ and gives us the deformation of point x, y in moment t

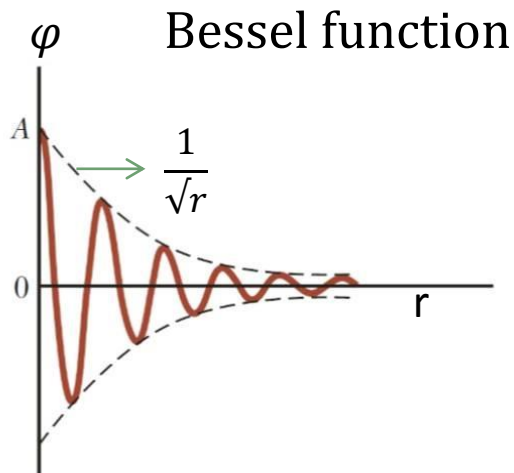
Applied equation for two dimensional wave:

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial^2 u(r, \varphi, t)}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(r, \varphi, t)}{\partial \varphi^2} - \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 u(r, \varphi, t)}{\partial t^2}$$

solution of this equation is $u(r, \varphi, t)$ and gives us the deformation of point r, φ in moment t



$$u \sim (\text{radial part}) * (\text{angular part})$$



$$\phi(\varphi) = \begin{cases} \sin \lambda \varphi \\ \cos \lambda \varphi \end{cases}$$

$$\phi(\varphi + 2\pi) = \phi(\varphi) \rightarrow$$

$$\lambda = 1, 2, 3, \dots \in \mathbb{N}$$

Symmetries of third order

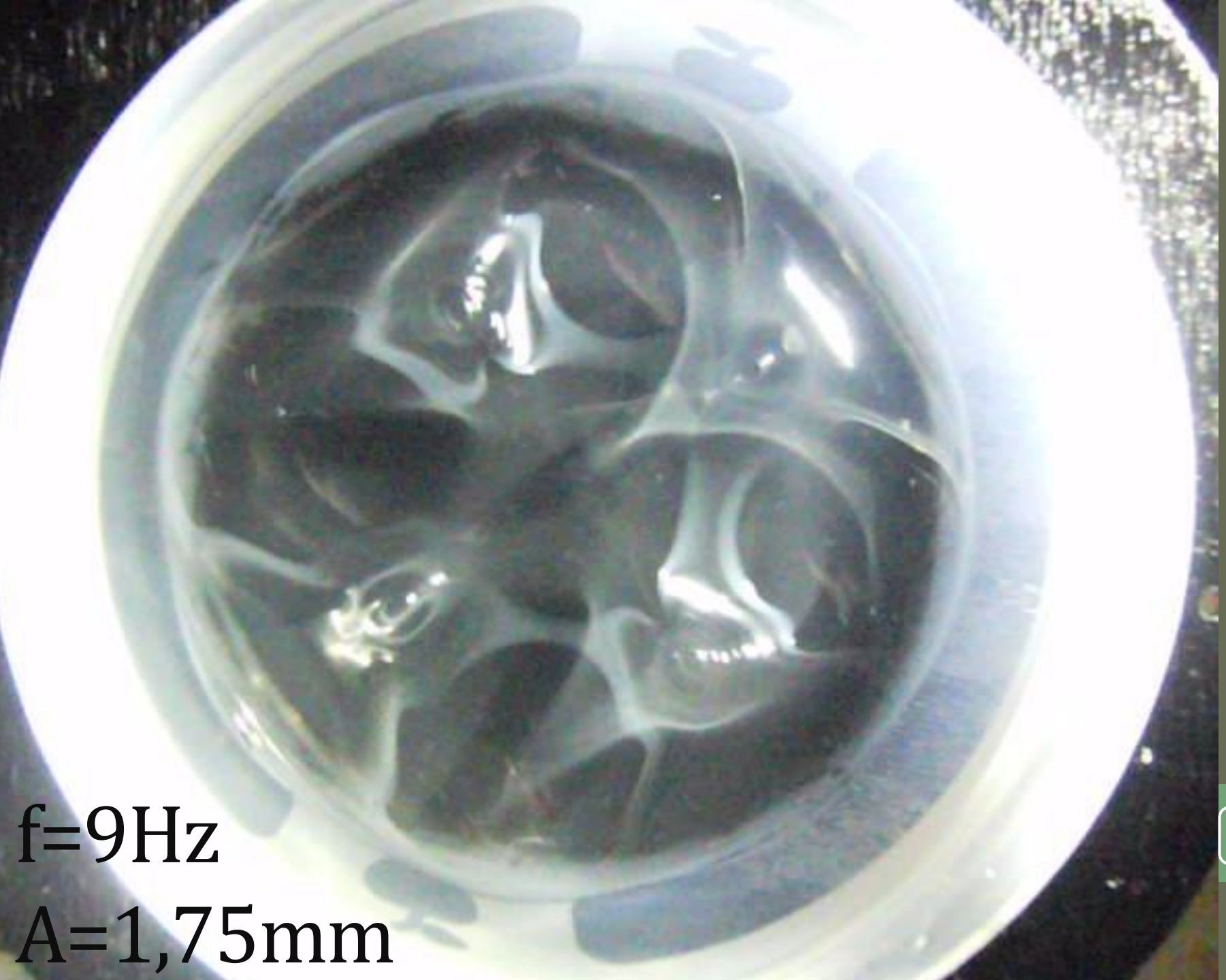
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 $A = 1,5\text{ mm}$

Symmetries of fourth order



$f=9\text{Hz}$

$A=1,75\text{mm}$



$f=9\text{Hz}$

$A=1,75\text{mm}$

Symmetries of sixth order

$f=11\text{Hz}$
 $A=2,1\text{mm}$



$f=11,2\text{Hz}$
 $A=1,9\text{mm}$




$f=11\text{Hz}$
 $A=2\text{mm}$

Symmetries of eight order

$f=17\text{Hz}$

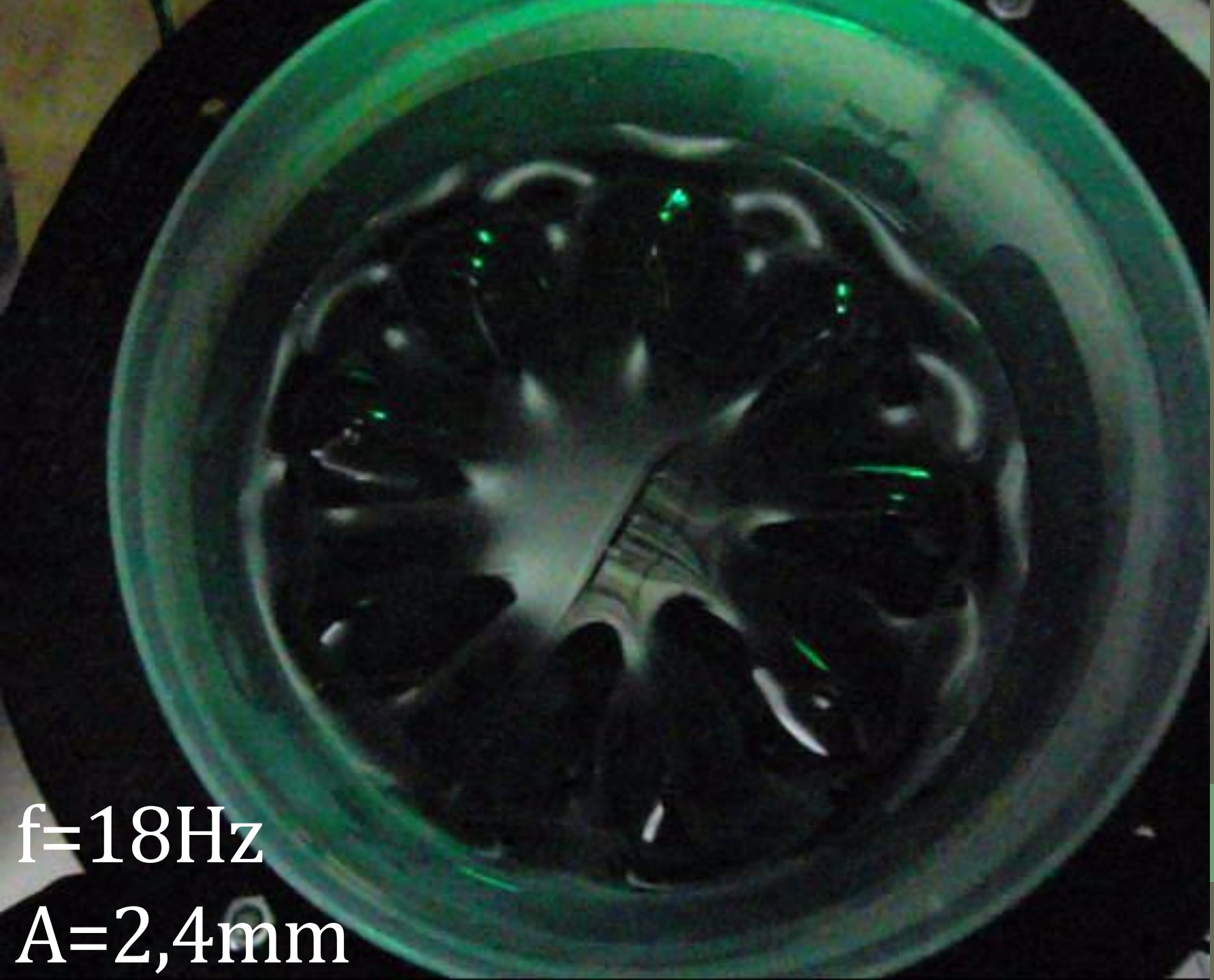
$A=2,25\text{mm}$



$f=17,3\text{Hz}$
 $A=2,2\text{mm}$

Symmetries of ninth order

$f=18\text{Hz}$
 $A=2,4\text{mm}$



$f=18\text{Hz}$
 $A=2,4\text{mm}$

Hexagons



$f=15\text{Hz}$
 $A=3,3\text{mm}$


Conclusion

- existence, shape and behaviour of waves depends on:
 - viscosity of fluid
 - thickness of fluid in reservoir
 - frequency and amplitude of oscillations
- size and shape of reservoir don't have any influence (Faraday; 1831.)
- waves can be described with Bessel's functions
- stability of different patterns depends on relative value of energy which is necessary too keep them in that state (Skeldon, Guidoboni; 2005.)

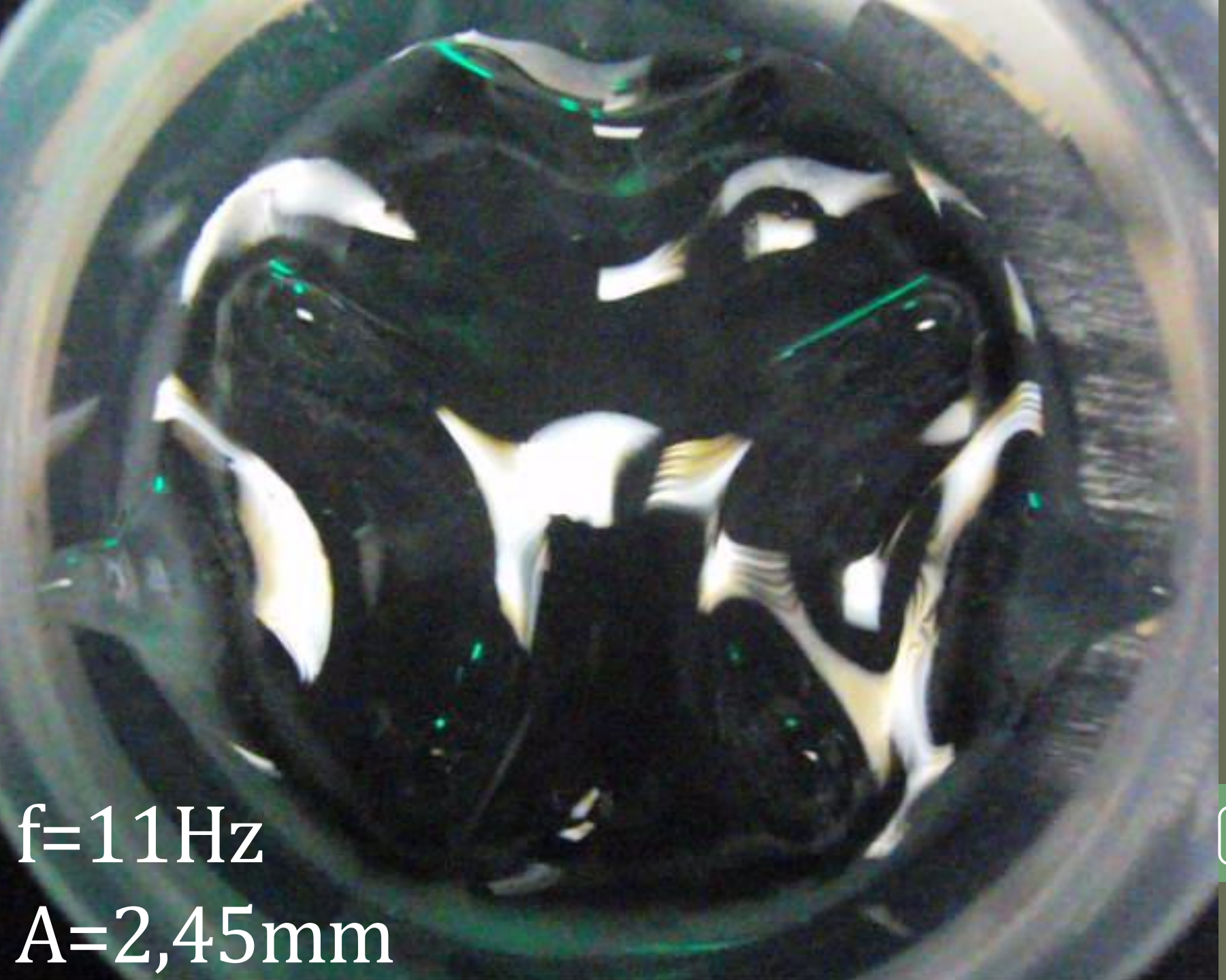
Conclusion

- we have found six stable systems with different number of symmetry lines - 'starry' shapes:
 - third order symmetry
 - fourth order symmetry
 - sixth order symmetry
 - eight order symmetry
 - ninth order symmetry
 - hexagons

Thank you for your attention!



$f=16\text{Hz}$
 $A=2,2\text{mm}$

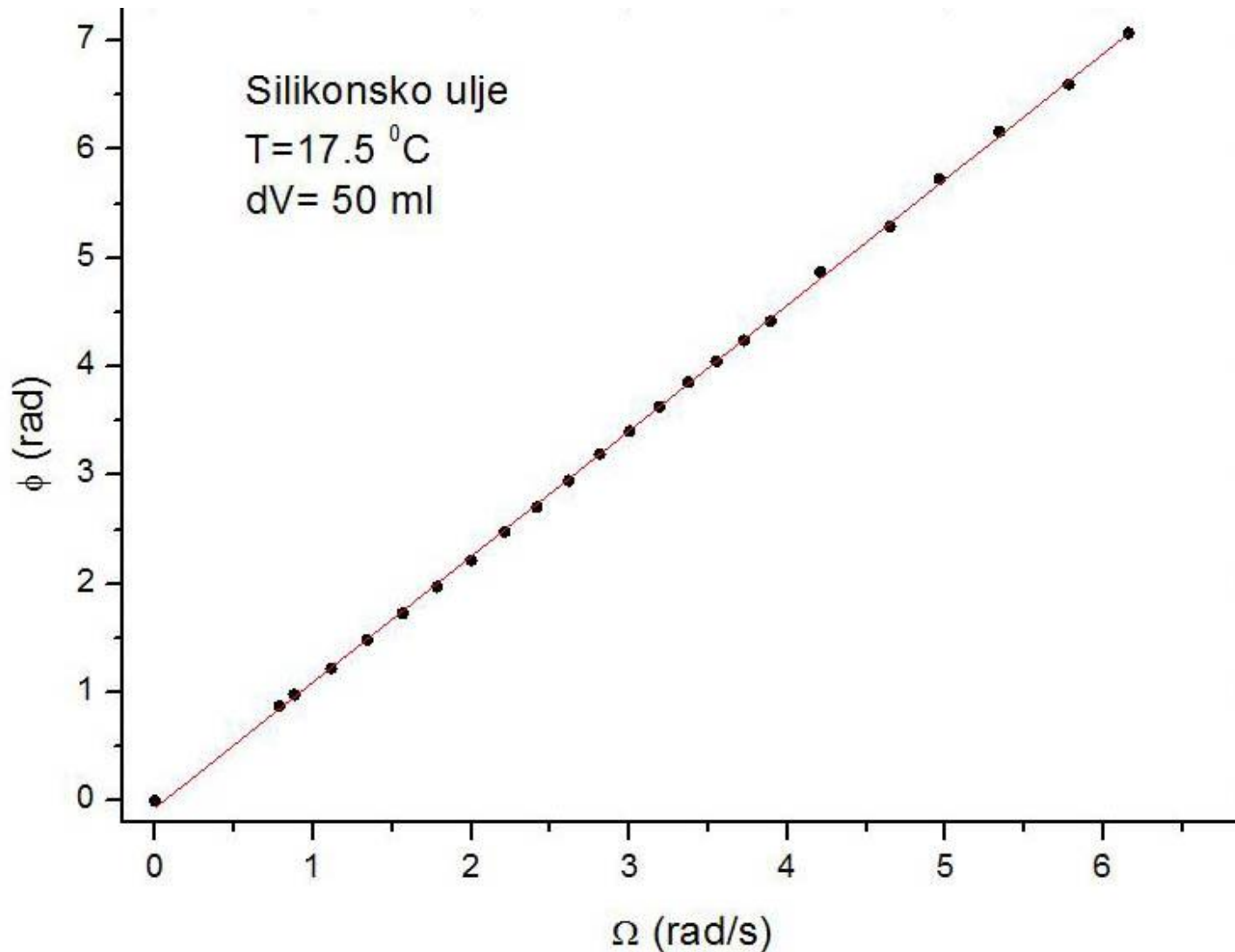


$f=11\text{Hz}$
 $A=2,45\text{mm}$



$f=8\text{Hz}$
 $A=1,7\text{mm}$

Oil viscosity– low and high frequencies



Viscosity derivation

$$v(r) = A * r + \frac{B}{r}$$

Velocity between walls

$$A = \frac{r_2^2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2} * \Omega, \quad B = -\frac{r_1^2 * r_2^2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2} * \Omega$$

$$\rho = \frac{4\pi * \mu}{k} * \frac{r_1^2 * r_2^2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2} * h * \Omega$$

$$h = \frac{V}{(r_2^2 - r_1^2)\pi}, \quad k = \tau / \mu$$

$$\mu = \Delta \rho * v \qquad \mu = \frac{\Delta \rho}{\Delta V * k}$$

