



RESEARCH RAYLEIGH-BENARD CONVECTION OF LIQUIDS BY METHODS AUTOCOLLIMATION HILBERT-OPTICS AND THERMOVISION

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ABSTRACT: Rayleigh-Benard convection (RBC) of a liquid in layers with rigid bottom and top free borders in stationary and non-stationary temperature fields is investigated. The unique experimental complex allowing to study evolution of RBC-structures of a free surface of the heavy liquid by methods autocollimation Hilbert-optics and thermovision is created. Evolution of RBC-structures depending on « the operating parameter » (a gradient of temperatures in a layer of a liquid) was experimentally researched under various initial and boundary conditions. Similarity of the RBC-structures visualized in optical and thermal spectral areas of radiation is find out. Profiles of the surface and temperature distribution in the allocated sections of Rayleigh-Benard structures are received and their mutual conformity is shown.

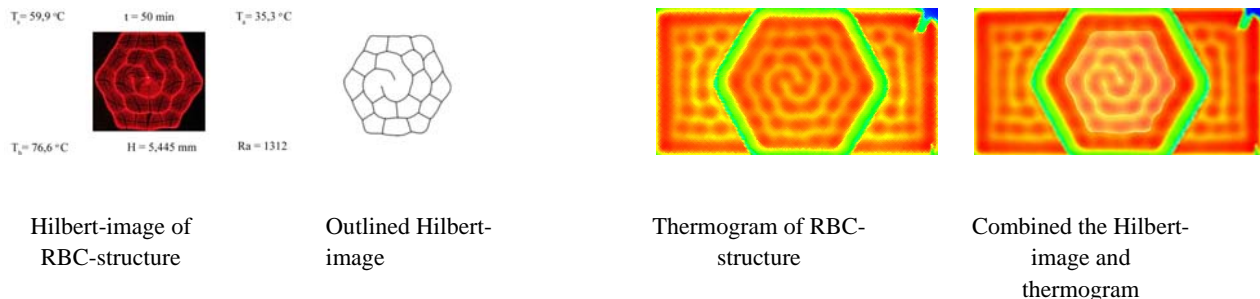


Fig. 1 Flow visualization of the RBC structure at hexagonal geometrical boundary conditions

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