

# The fluid dynamics of Incy Wincy spider

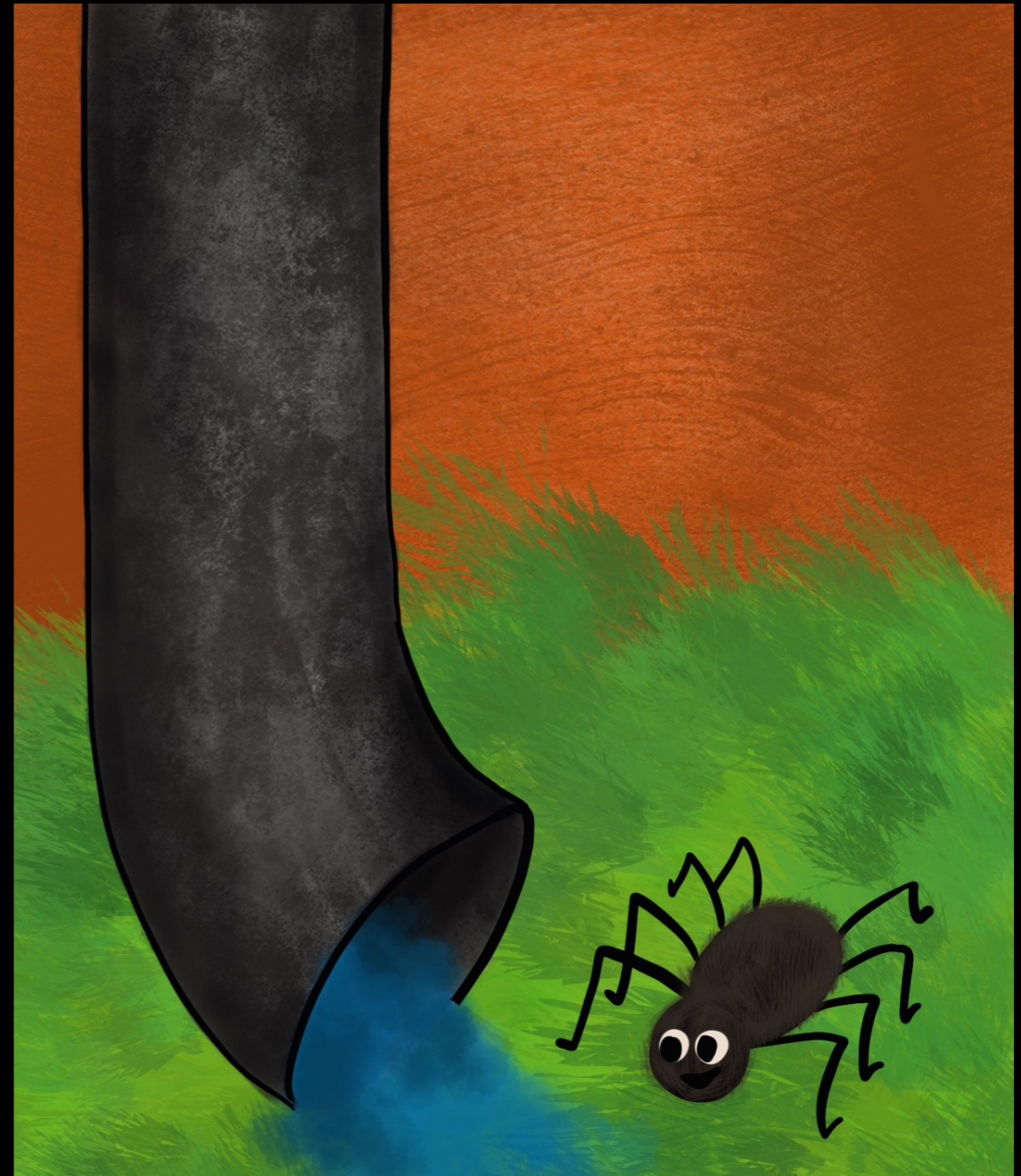
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Incy Wincy spider climbed  
up the water spout

Down came the rain and  
washed the spider out

Out came the sunshine and  
dried up all the rain

And Incy Wincy spider  
climbed up the spout again



# The flow of water

Continuity

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0,$$

"mass"

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} \right) = -\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{f}$$

external forces

acceleration w.r.t time

pressure

viscous forces

acceleration w.r.t position

$$\mathbf{F} = m \times \mathbf{a}$$

# Assumptions

- Steady flow
- 2-dimensional lol

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$$\mathbf{F} = m \times \mathbf{a}$$

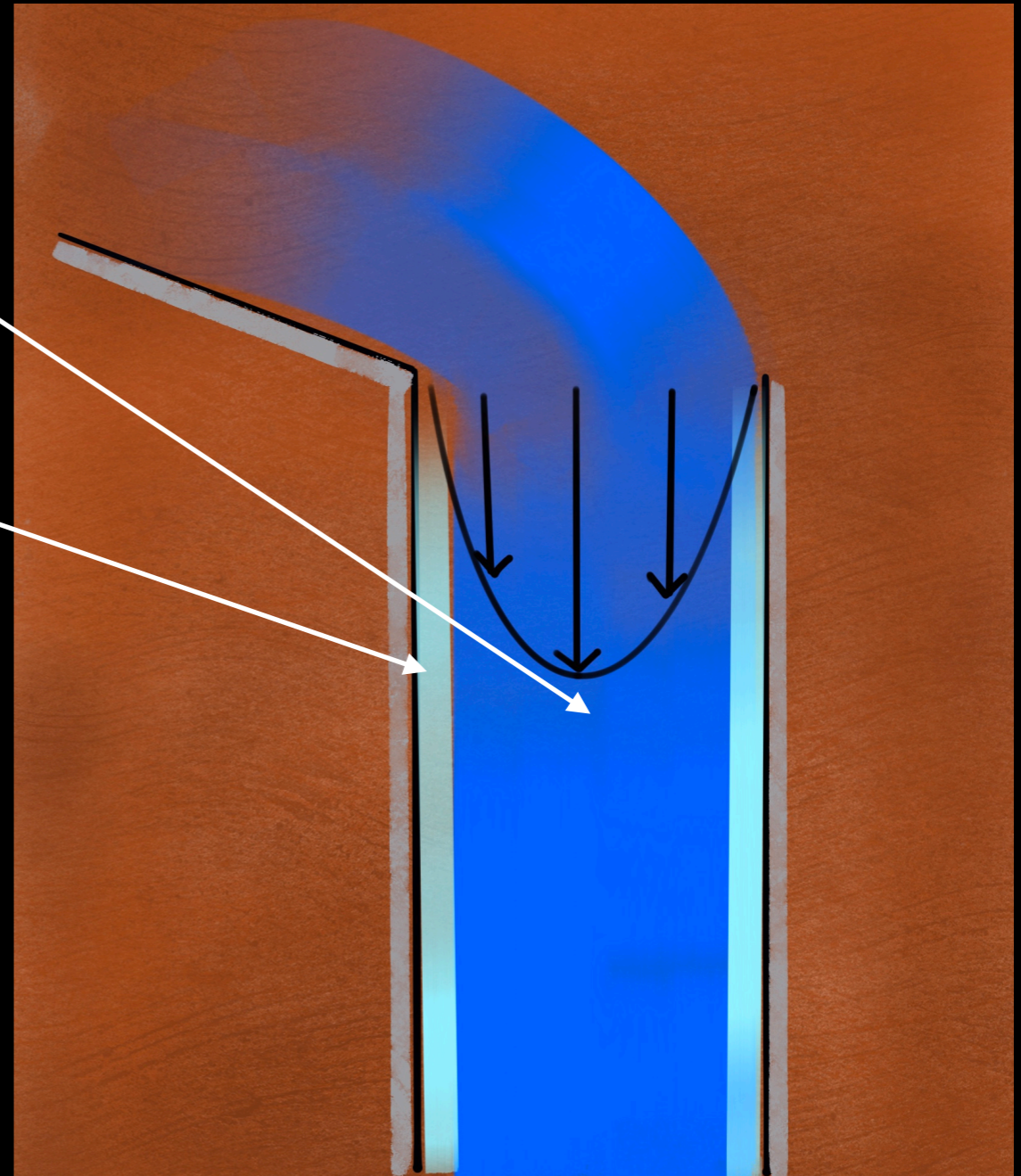
# The flow

external & inertial forces matter

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0,$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{u} = -\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}$$

\*they don't





# An experiment

pipe = straw

spider = chia seed

turbulence = my hands  
shaking

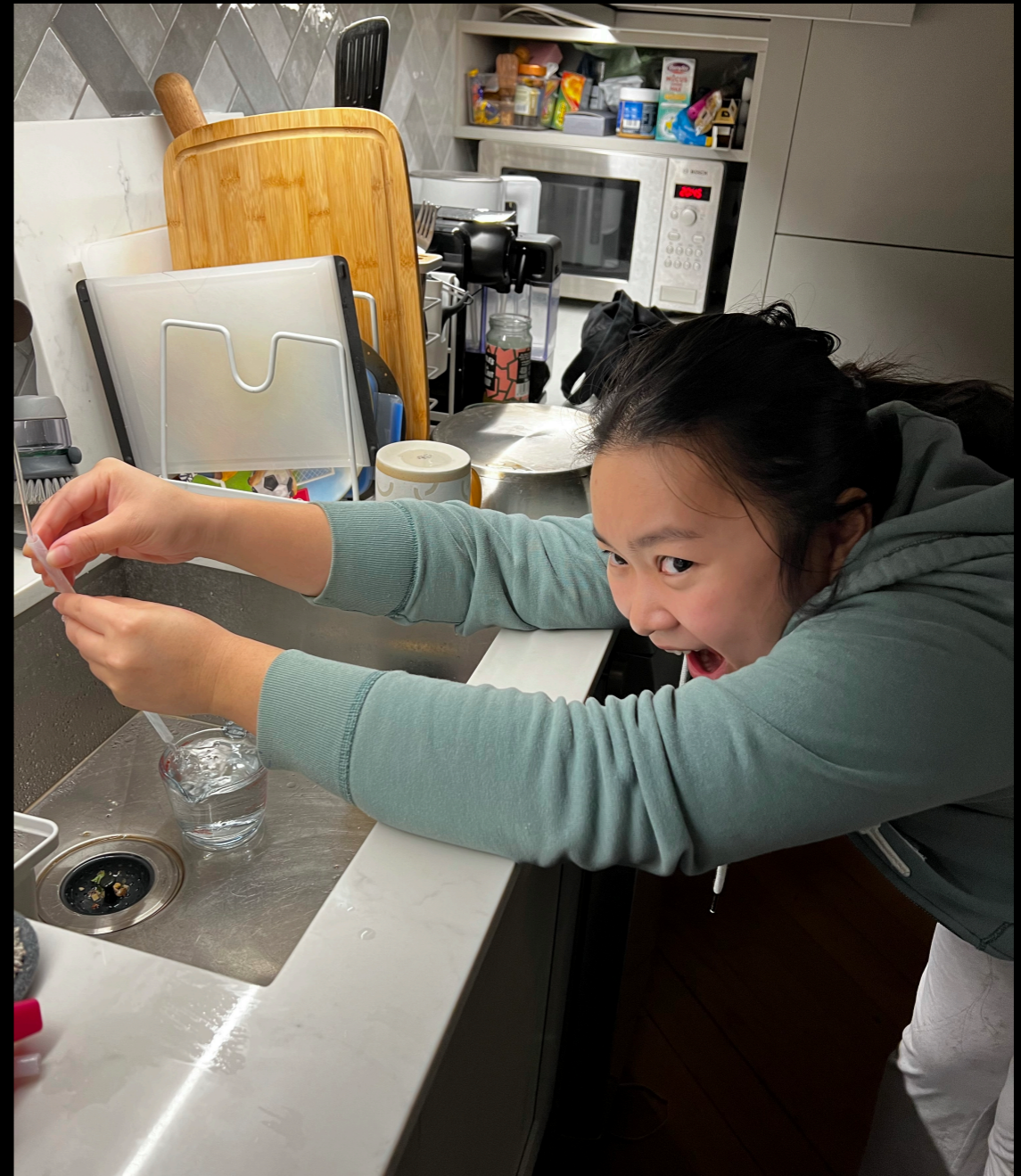


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\*actual size

**CHONKY**  
**DONKY**

-spider



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gravity



Thanks for listening!

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