

Some Remarks on the Retirement of Professor Tsujimoto

I feel a great loss to hear that Prof. Tsujimoto resign his position in March, 2013. He is one of my best friend and research collaborator on the turbo machinery for a long time. He has a wide circle of acquaintances. He also has very extinguished ability to grasp the state-of-the-art research trends of the fluid dynamics and turbo machinery. It is to some extent due to his international wide personal connection. Such talent of him must be acquired in part during his stay at Caltech. He also has outstanding practical sense to judge the meaning and the results of the research. His sense is rather that of the industrial researcher and many times I felt sympathy to his opinion. His open minded and humorous personality is very attractive, and this must be the reason of his long and wide circle of acquaintances.

He has many hobbies concerning vehicles, trains and airplanes gliders. Recently he taught me how to economically drive a hybrid car. I was impressed his knowledge on the hybrid car. His instruction is very helpful for me to save the fuel consumption of my car.

The first time that I am very familiar with him is when I attended at IAHR Work Group Meeting “The Behavior of Hydraulic Machinery under Steady Oscillatory Conditions” at Lille France in 1987. At that time he called me and asked to join my trip and he asked to share a room at Zurich. At that time we traveled many places in Europe; Zurich, Lille and Budapest. After that he often introduced me to attend many symposia; US-Japan Seminar 1998, ISROMAC 2002, and recently ISFMFE, 2012. He also recommend me as a invitation researcher at Osaka Univ..

After I move to Osaka Institute of Technology from MHI in 2006, research collaboration and meetings between my laboratory and his laboratory was very helpful for me to motivate my students and to start up constructing my laboratory.

I hope he stay a good research partner and advisor for me for the future.

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