

## Velocity and flow profiles

- In this case, reflux is prominently seen in the right IJV and EJV in the lower neck.
- Variable positive/negative flow within a given cross section shows a very complicated flow pattern.
- Total flows often don't reveal complicated flow patterns as seen in the cross section.
- Some measure such as expected variance from laminar flow may be a useful marker of bidirectional flow in the vessel.
- Total blood flow volume in and out of the brain is also very important. This is usually on the order of 12ml per second<sup>\*</sup> with an error of roughly  $\pm 20\%$ .
- Arterial and venous in/out flow for major vessels appear to match within about  $\pm 25^{\circ}$ % and in this case we find flow in the lower veins = -9.1 ml/s and the lower arteries = 10 ml/s.

<sup>\*</sup>Stoquart-Elsankari S, Lehmann P, Villette A, Czosnyka M, Meyer ME, Deramond H,Balédent O. A phase-contrast MRI study of physiologic cerebral venous flow. J Cereb Blood Flow Metab. 2009 Jun;29(6):1208-15





