# Optimal structures for transient growth

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## dX/dt = Mx

# Non-normality condition

 $MM^T \neq M^T M$ 



Butler and Farrell 1992, Trefethen et al 1993, Schmid 2007, Bale and Govindarajan 2010



## Non-normal systems





# FLOW AS A PHASE SPACE

Kerswell, ARFM, 2018



## Adjoint looping

Nonlinear dynamical systems approach

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + (U_j + u_j)\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + u_j\frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + Ri_bTn_i + \frac{2}{Re}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\Big(\mu\big(s_{ij} + S_{ij}\big) + \bar{\mu}s_{ij}\Big),$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + (U_j + u_j)\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j} + u_j\frac{\partial(\overline{T} + T_0)}{\partial x_j} = \frac{1}{RePr}\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x_j^2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A \ cost \ function}: \quad \mathcal{J}(\mathcal{T}) &= A_1 \frac{E(\mathcal{T})}{E_0} + A_2 D + A_3 \frac{1}{\mathcal{T}} \int_0^{\mathcal{T}} \frac{E(t)}{E_0} dt \\ \text{(your choice)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Initial \ Energy:} \qquad E_0 &= \frac{d_1}{2} \left\langle u_{0,i}, u_{0,i} \right\rangle + \frac{d_2}{2} Ri_b \frac{\langle T_0, T_0 \rangle}{T_{ref}^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{\mathcal{L}} &= \mathcal{J}(\mathcal{T}) - \left[ \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + (U_j + u_j) \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + u_j \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} - Ri_b T n_i & \downarrow \\ &= \frac{2}{Re} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \mu \left( s_{ij} + S_{ij} \right) + \bar{\mu} s_{ij} \right), v_i \right] - \left[ \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + (U_j + u_j) \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j} + u_j \frac{\partial (\overline{T} + T_0)}{\partial x_j} - \frac{1}{RePr} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x_j^2}, \tau \right] \\ &= \left[ \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i}, q \right] - \langle u_i(0) - u_{0,i}, v_{0,i} \rangle - \langle T(0) - T_0, \tau_0 \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \left( d_1 \left\langle u_{0,i}, u_{0,i} \right\rangle + Ri_b d_2 \frac{\langle T_0, T_0 \rangle}{T_{ref}^2} - E_0 \right) c. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where,} \\ &= \left[ a_i, b_i \right] = \frac{1}{\mathcal{T}} \int_0^{\mathcal{T}} \langle a_i, b_i \rangle dt, \quad \langle a, b \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{V} \int_V a_i b_i dV, \end{aligned}$$

#### Guess an initial condition



### Overview of the numerical scheme





Fig: Model geometry

#### Spatial discretisation:



#### Temporal discretisation:

Nonlinear terms: RKW3 Viscous terms & y-derivatives: CN

Numerical Renaissance, Thomas Bewley







Integrated energy maximisation



Final time energy maximisation



T=10

T=5

![](_page_14_Picture_0.jpeg)

# a) Shear flows admit transient growth in energy

b) The optimal structures for transient growth are organised structures

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