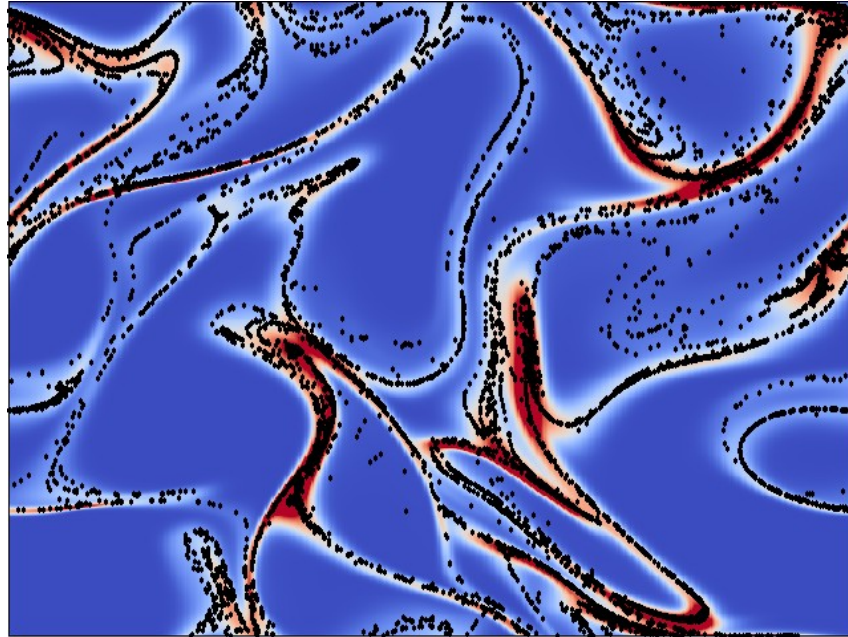


# Topological properties of inertial particles in 2d turbulence



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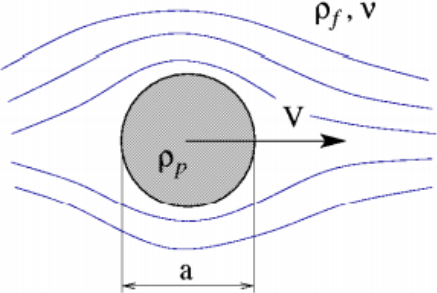
# Inertial particles



# Equation of motion for a small rigid sphere in a nonuniform flow

Martin R. Maxey and James J. Riley

Citation: *Physics of Fluids (1958-1988)* **26**, 883 (1983); doi: 10.1063/1.864230



$$Re = \frac{a(u - V)}{\nu} \ll 1$$

$$m_p \frac{dV_i}{dt} = (m_p - m_f)g_i + m_f \left. \frac{Du_i}{Dt} \right|_{\mathbf{X}(t)}$$

bouyancy

$$-6\pi a \mu \left[ V_i(t) - u_i(\mathbf{X}(t), t) - \frac{1}{6}a^2 \nabla^2 u_i|_{\mathbf{X}(t)} \right]$$

Stokes drag Faxen correction

$$-\frac{m_f}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left[ V_i(t) - u_i(\mathbf{X}(t), t) - \frac{1}{10}a^2 \nabla^2 u_i|_{\mathbf{X}(t)} \right]$$

Added mass

$$-6\pi a \mu \int_0^t ds \left( \frac{d/ds \left[ V_i(s) - u_i(\mathbf{X}(s), s) - \frac{1}{6}a^2 \nabla^2 u_i|_{\mathbf{X}(s)} \right]}{\sqrt{\pi\nu(t-s)}} \right)$$

Basset memory term

Maxey & Riley (1983)

Auton et al (1988)

# Today's talk: Heavy particles

Use

$$\rho_p \gg \rho_f$$
$$a \ll 1$$

Maxey-Riley



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = V$$
$$\frac{dV}{dt} = -\frac{(V - U)}{\tau}$$

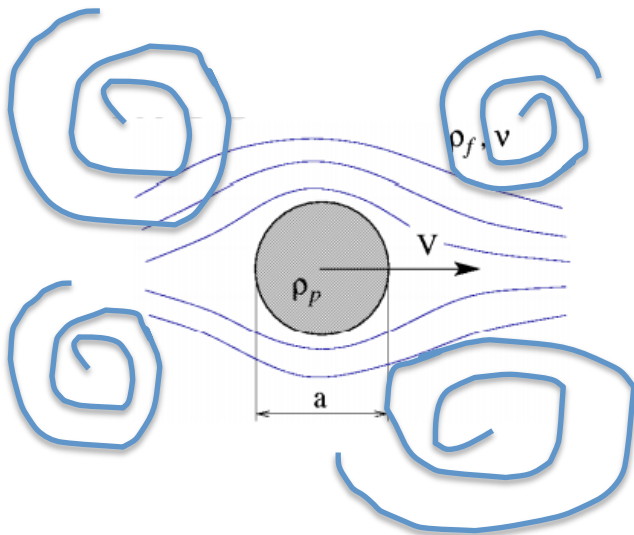
U: Fluid velocity at the particle position

Stokes number :  $St = \frac{\tau}{\tau_f}$

$\tau_f$  : Flow timescale

Turbulent flows:

$$Re_p \ll 1, Re_f \gg 1$$



# Inertial particles in turbulence

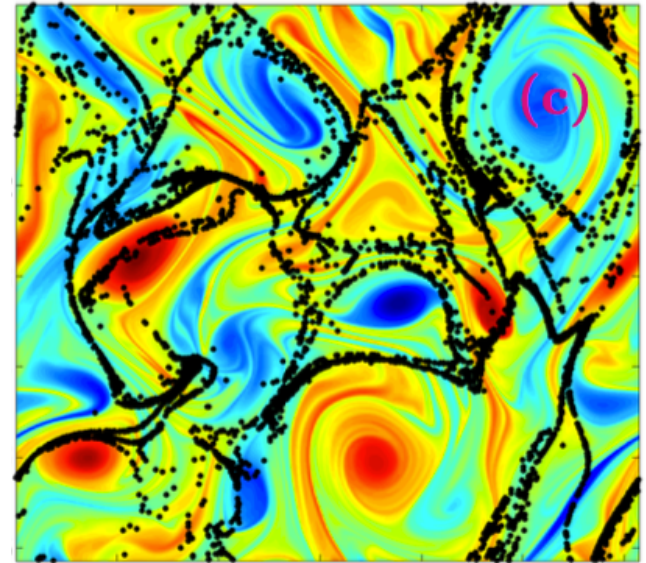
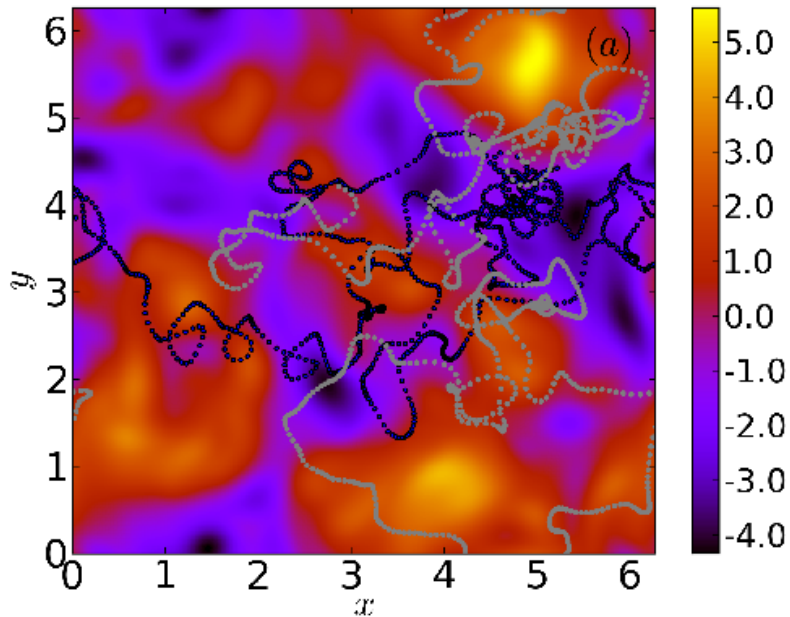
Solve NS equation:

$$D_t \mathbf{u} = \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} - \nabla p + f$$

$f$  : Large scale forcing



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = V$$
$$\frac{dV}{dt} = -\frac{(V - U)}{\tau}$$



# Preferential sampling

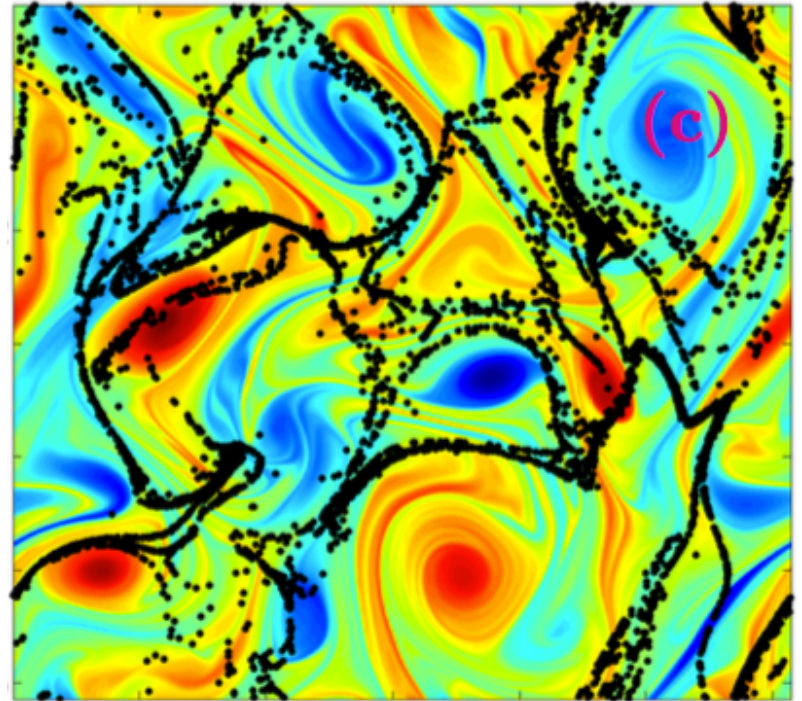
Inertial Particles are thrown out of vortices

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = V$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = -\frac{(V \cdot U)}{\tau}$$

$$\nabla \cdot V = \nabla \cdot \left[ -\frac{dV}{dt} \right]$$

$$\nabla \cdot V > 0$$



# Lagrangian vs Eulerian



Lagrange

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dX_i(t)}{dt} &= V_i \\ \frac{dV_i(t)}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{\tau} [V_i(t) - U(X_i, t)]\end{aligned}$$

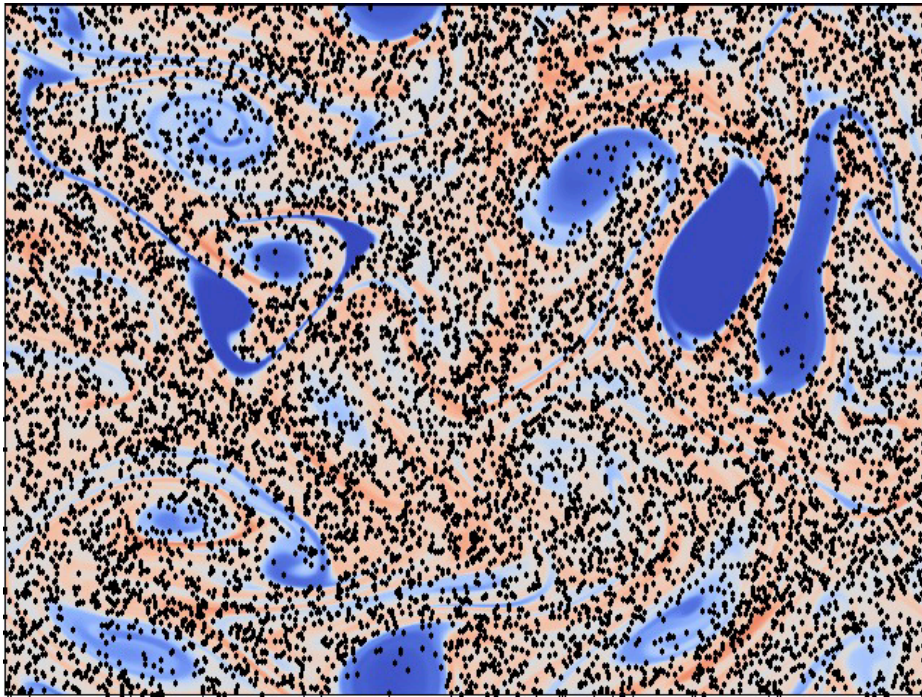
$$\rho(x, t) = \frac{1}{N_p} \sum_i \delta(x - X_i(t))$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \rho(x, t)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho(x, t)v(x, t)] &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial v(x, t)}{\partial t} + v(x, t) \cdot \nabla v(x, t) &= -\frac{v(x, t) - U(x, t)}{\tau}\end{aligned}$$



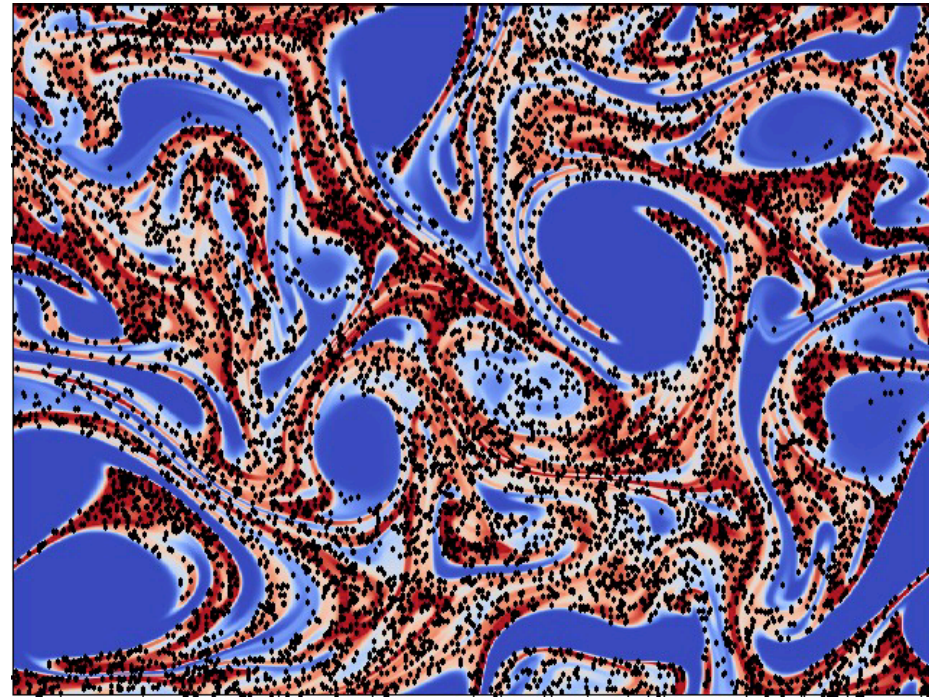
Euler

# Comparison: Lagrangian vs Eulerian



$St = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$

Dots



$St = 8.6 \cdot 10^{-2}$

Density field ( $St < 1$ )

$$\frac{dX_i(t)}{dt} = V_i$$

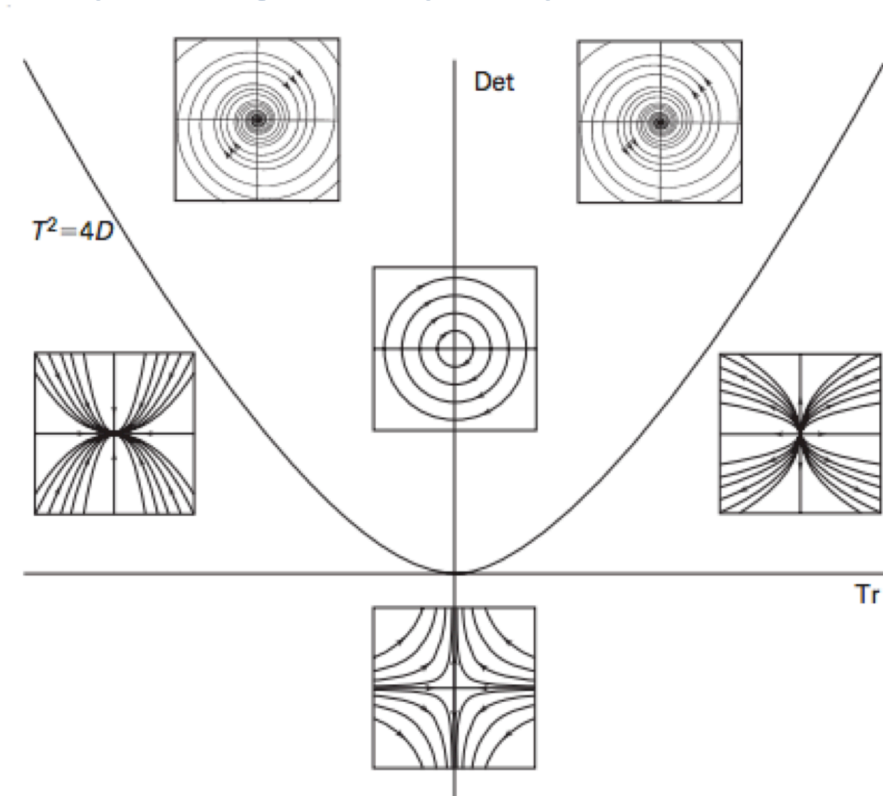
$$\frac{dV_i(t)}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\tau} [V_i(t) - U(X_i, t)]$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho(x, t)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho(x, t)v(x, t)] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial v(x, t)}{\partial t} + v(x, t) \cdot \nabla v(x, t) = -\frac{v(x, t) - U(x, t)}{\tau}$$



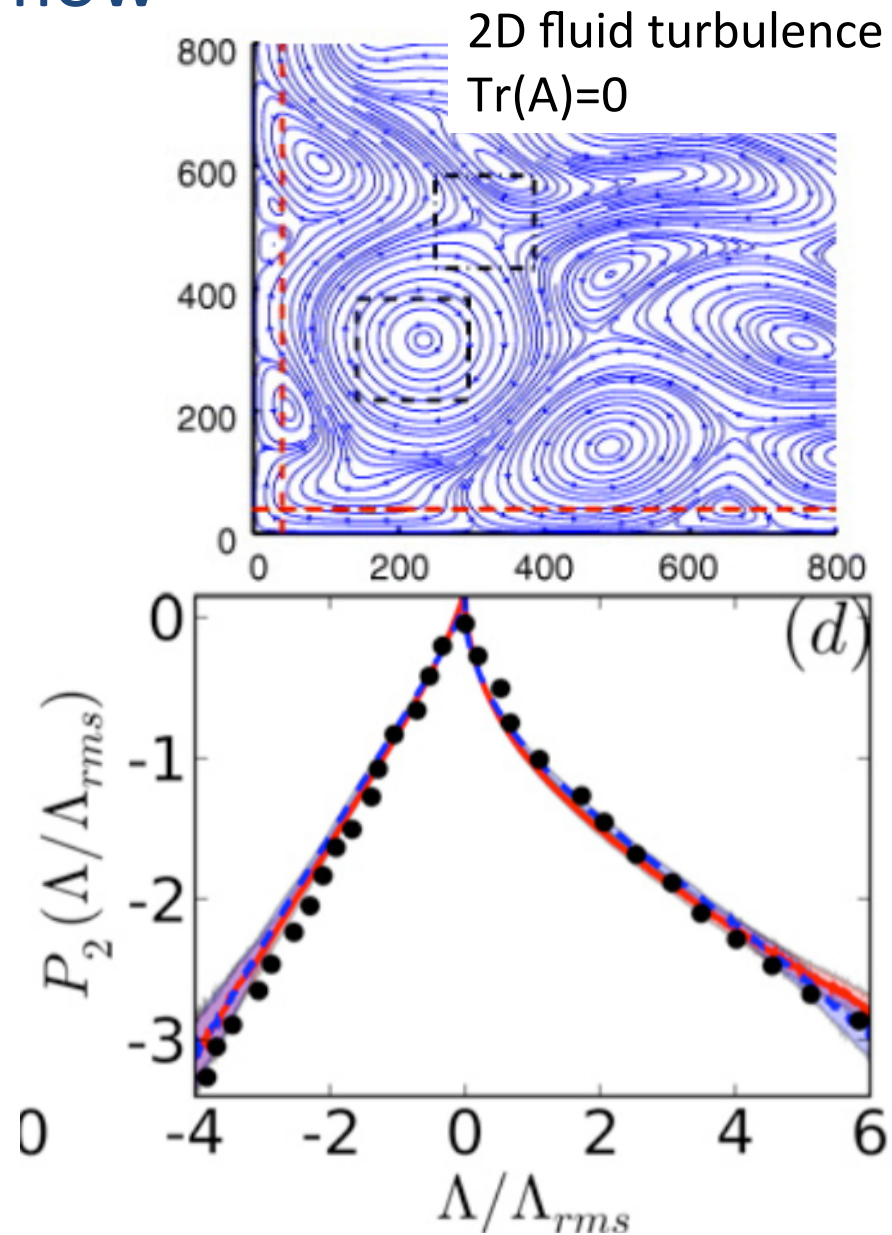
# Topological properties of the flow



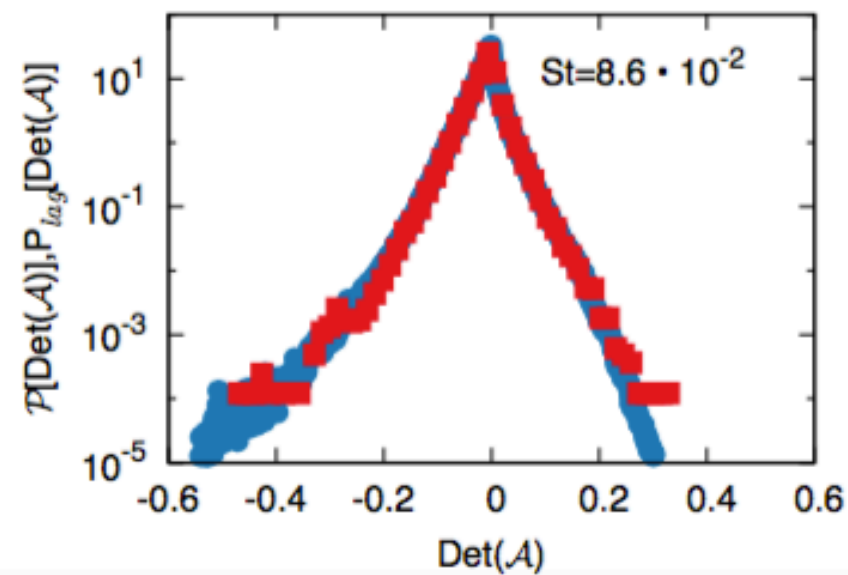
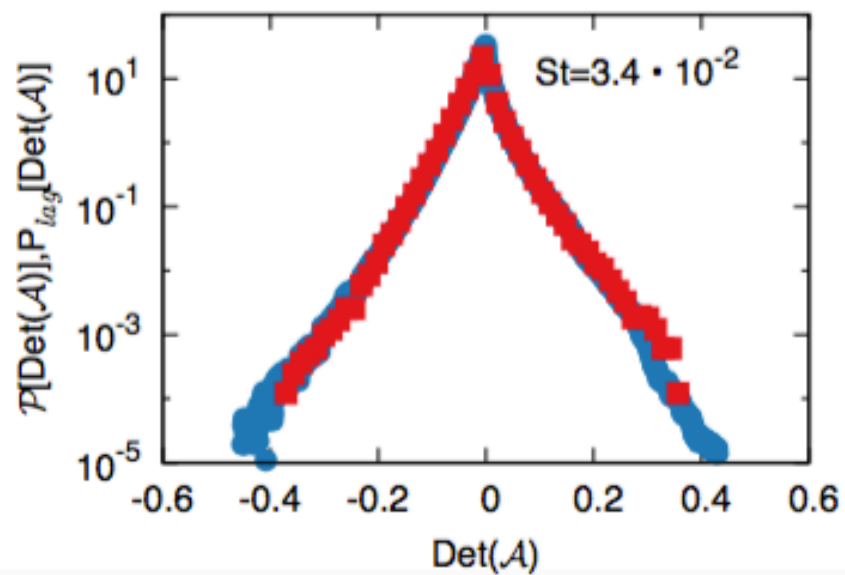
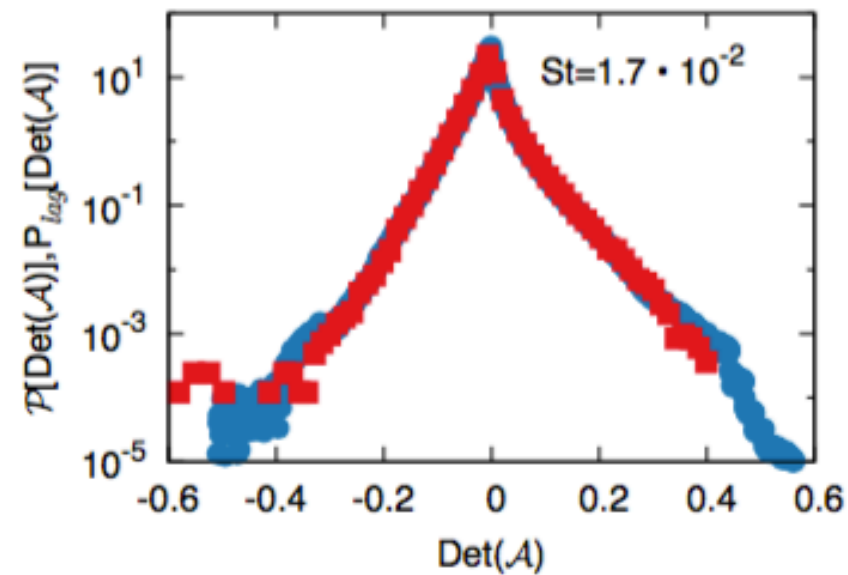
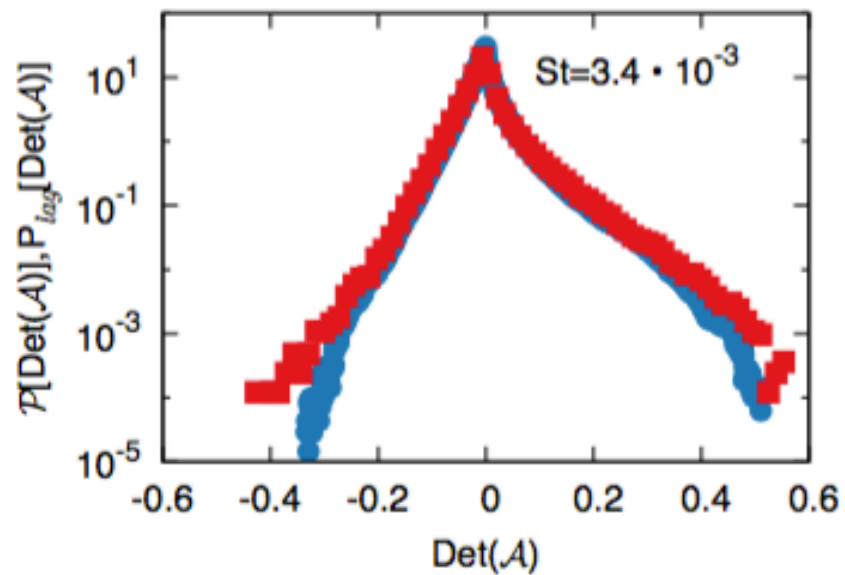
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x u_x & \partial_x u_y \\ \partial_y u_x & \partial_y u_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(A) = \frac{1}{4}(\omega^2 - \sigma^2)$$

$$Tr(A) = \nabla \cdot u$$



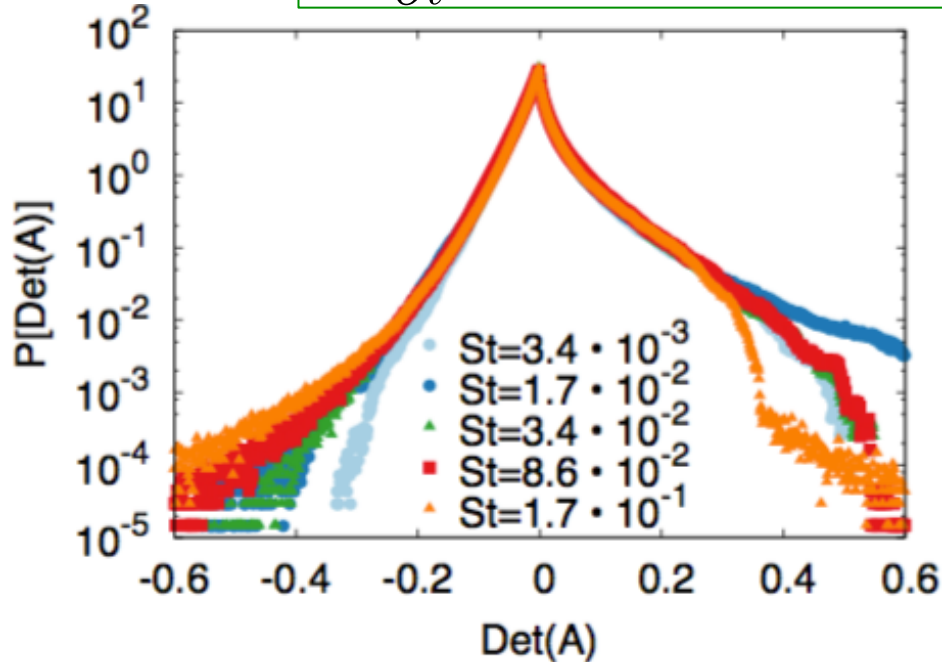
# Fluid $\text{Det}(\mathcal{A})$ along inertial particle tracks



# Dust/Particle Det(A)

$$\frac{\partial \rho(x, t)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho(x, t)v(x, t)] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial v(x, t)}{\partial t} + v(x, t) \cdot \nabla v(x, t) = -\frac{v(x, t) - U(x, t)}{\tau}$$

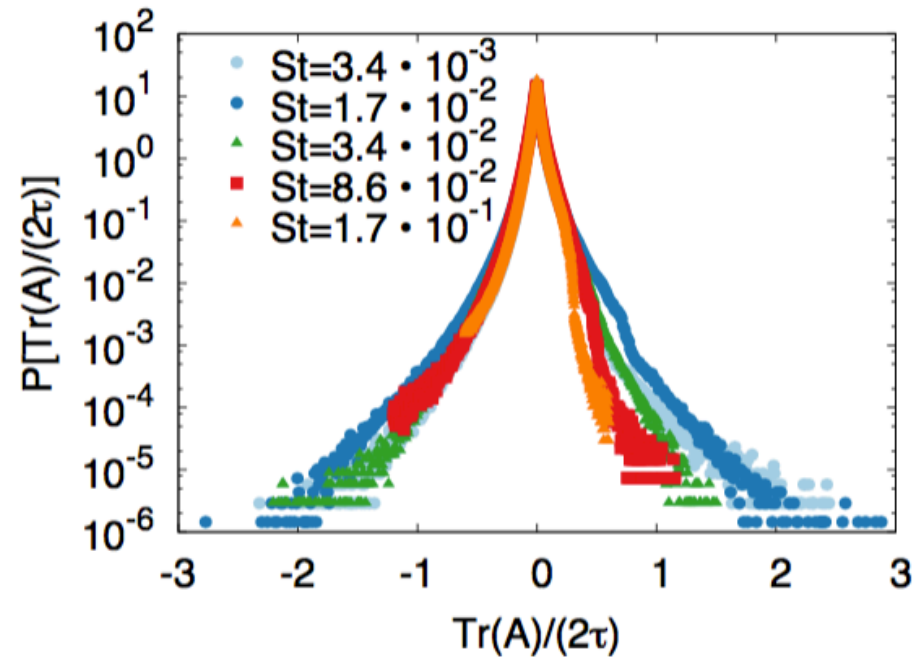
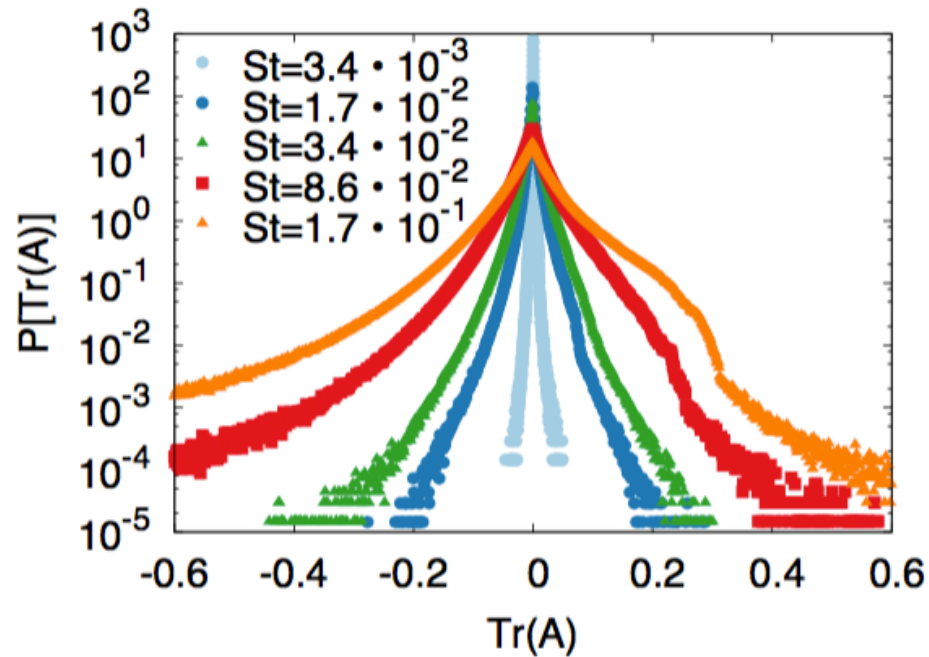


$$v = u - \tau \frac{dv}{dt} \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow 0} v = u - \tau \frac{Du}{Dt}$$

$$\text{Det}(A) \approx \text{Det}(\mathcal{A})$$

- $P[\text{Det}(A)]$  does not depend on  $St$ .
- $P[\text{Det}(A)]$  is approximately equal to  $P[\text{Det}(\mathcal{A})]$

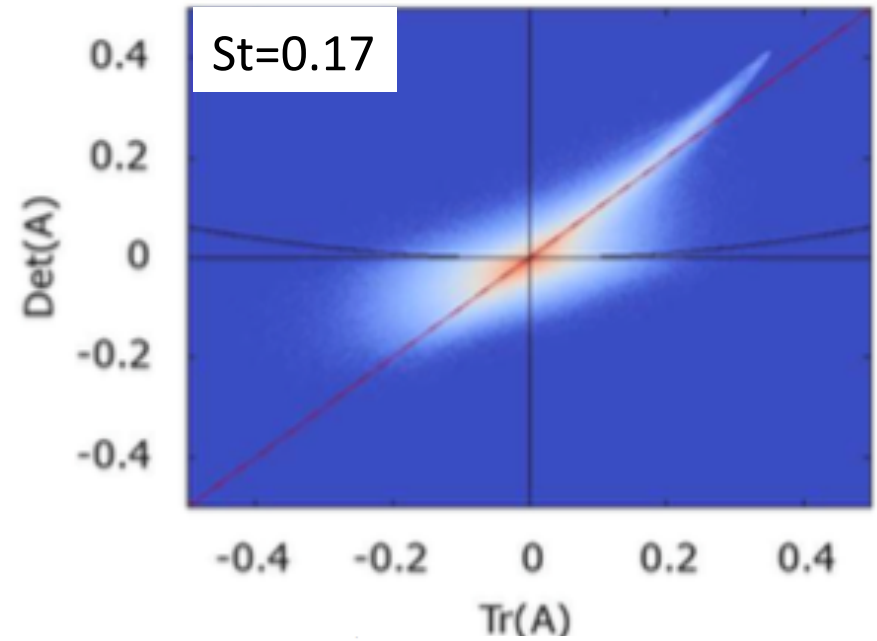
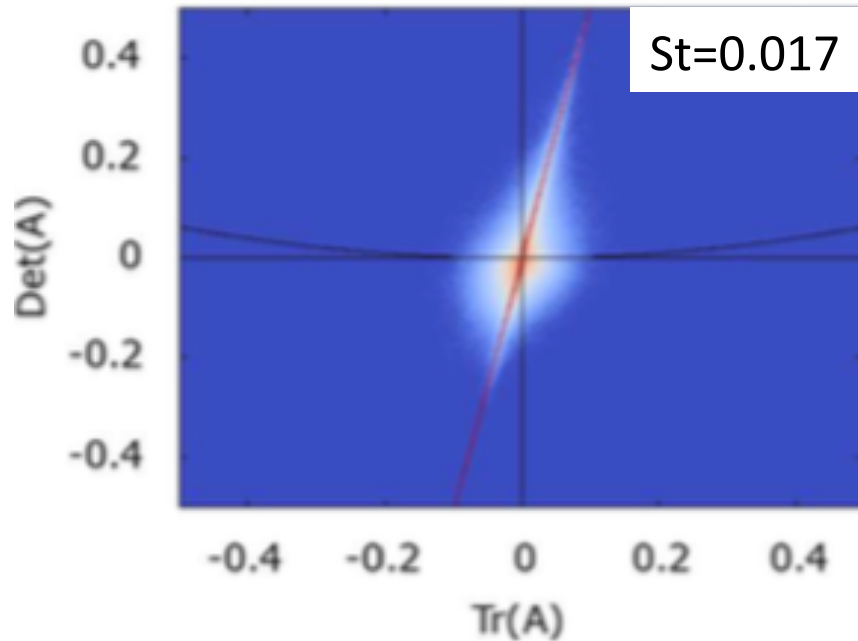
# Dust/Particle $\text{Tr}(A)$



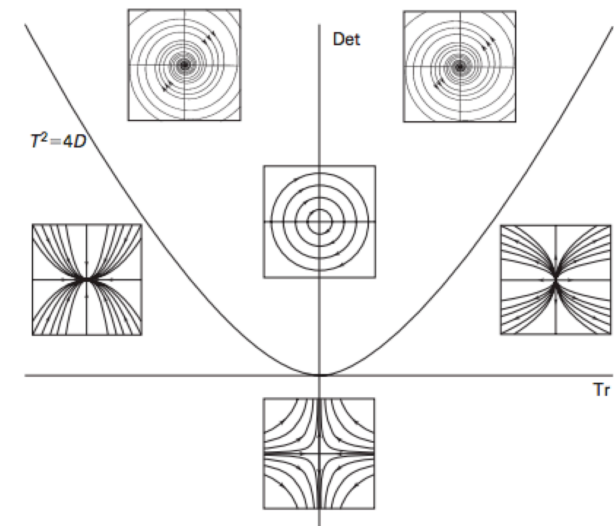
$$v = u - \tau \frac{dv}{dt} \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow 0} v = u - \tau \frac{Du}{Dt}$$
$$\text{Tr}(A) = 2\tau \text{Det}(\mathcal{A})$$

- Regions with non-zero  $\text{Tr}(A)$  increase with St
- Small St approximation correctly rescales the pdf.

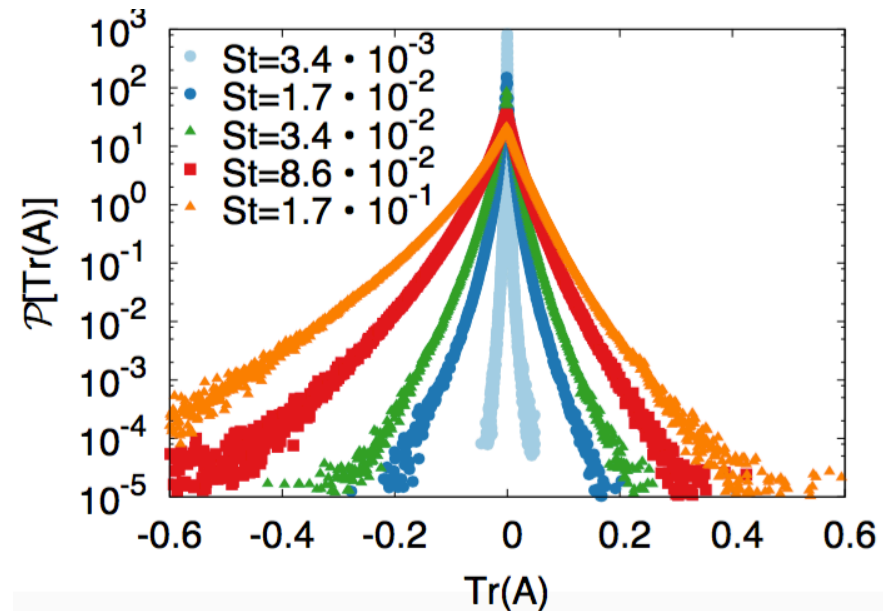
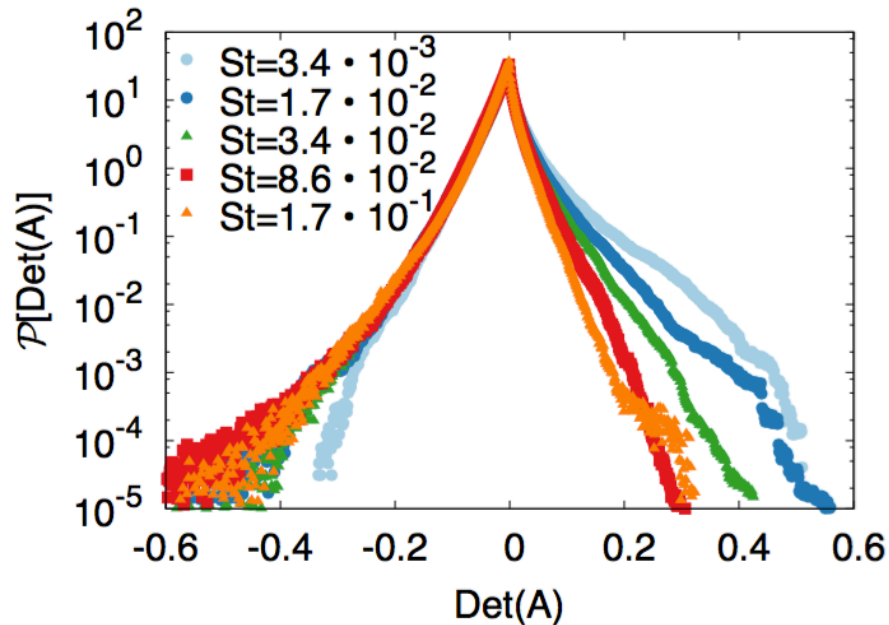
# Joint PDF [Tr(A), Det(A)]



- Dust flow consists of vortices spiralling outwards and extensional (saddle) flow with negative divergence.



# Density weighted Dust/Particle Det(A), Tr(A)

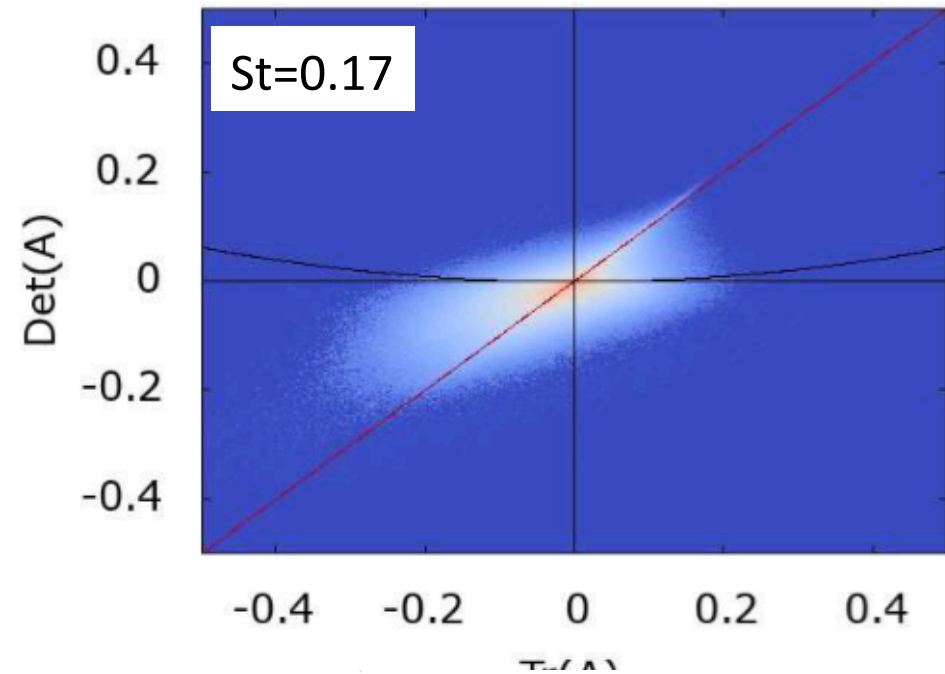
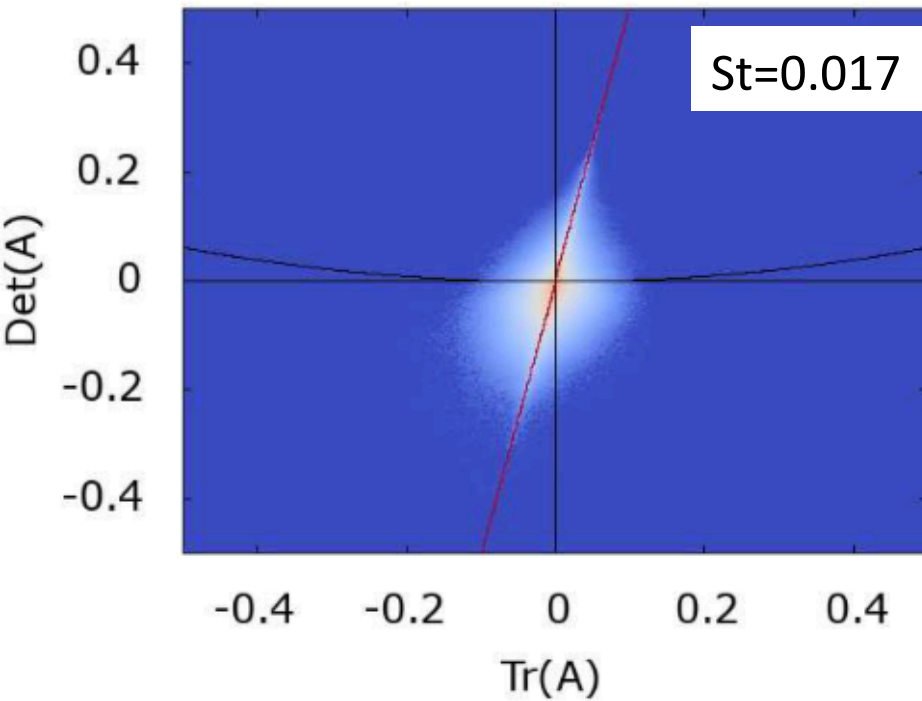


$$v = u - \tau \frac{dv}{dt} \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow 0} v = u - \tau \frac{Du}{Dt}$$
$$\text{Tr}(\mathcal{A}) = 2\tau \text{Det}(\mathcal{A})$$

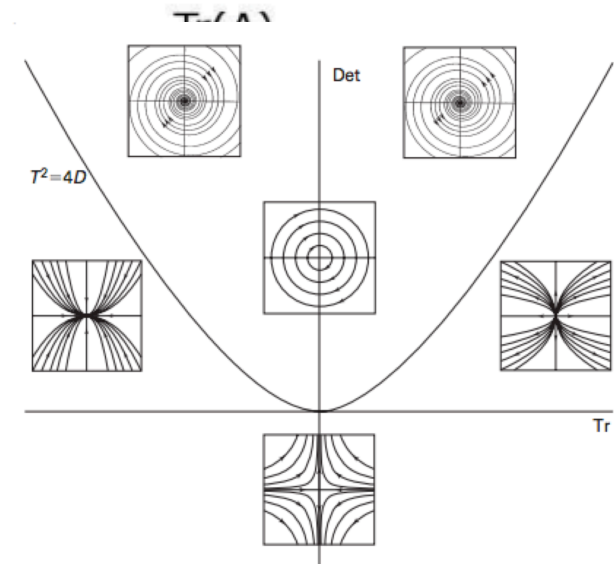
Inertial particle preferentially sample:

- Regions of large strain.
- Regions with negative divergence.

# Joint density weighted PDF [Tr(A), Det(A)]



- Particles sample extensional (saddle) flow regions with negative divergence.



# Conclusions

- Density weighted Eulerian and Lagrangian pictures identical
- Inertial particles sample regions of large strain and negative divergence.