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Sreeni's PhD student, Yale U in the late 1980s

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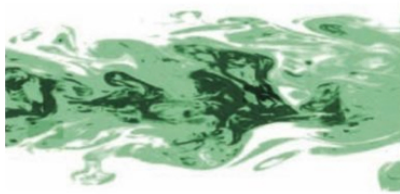


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2008



Symposium on Fluid Science & Turbulence

A Celebration of
K.R. Sreenivasan's
career on his 60th
birthday/Baltimore,
May 30 & 31, 2008



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2. S.H. Davis
3. K.R. Sreenivasan
4. M.E. Fisher
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6. D.D. Joseph
7. J.A. Yorke
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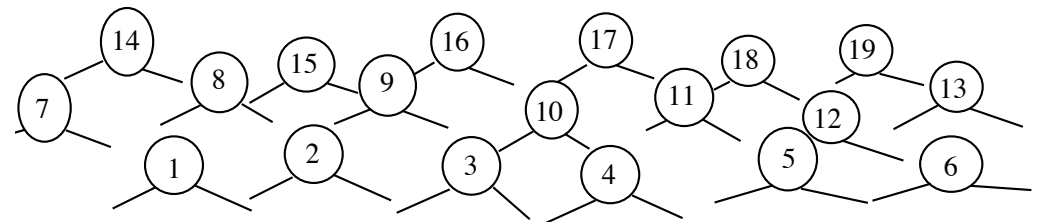


Figure 1. Symposium photograph taken on May 30, 2008 in front of Garland Hall, Homewood campus, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.

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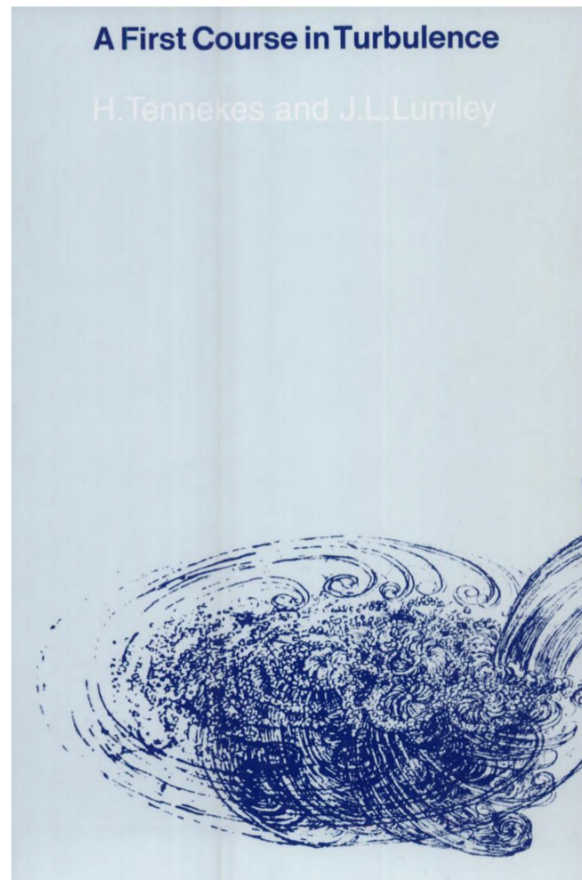
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Contents:

- Nature of Turbulence
- RANS, DNS and LES
- A fluid mechanical view of eddy viscosity
- The dynamic Smagorisky model and variants

The Nature of Turbulence

(borrowing from list in Tennekes & Lumley's book)



Turbulence is ...

Turbulence is diffusive



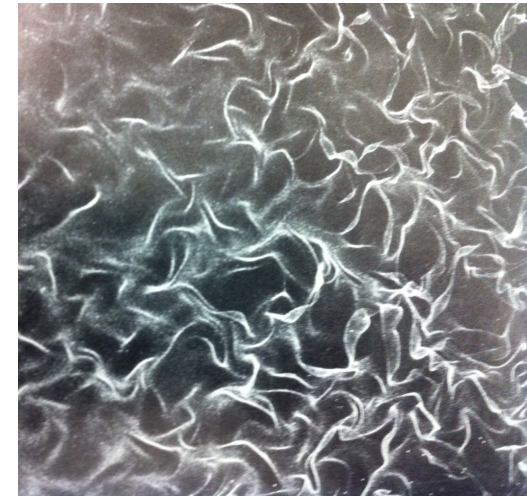
**Turbulence is diffusive:
also continuum, multiscale, high Re**



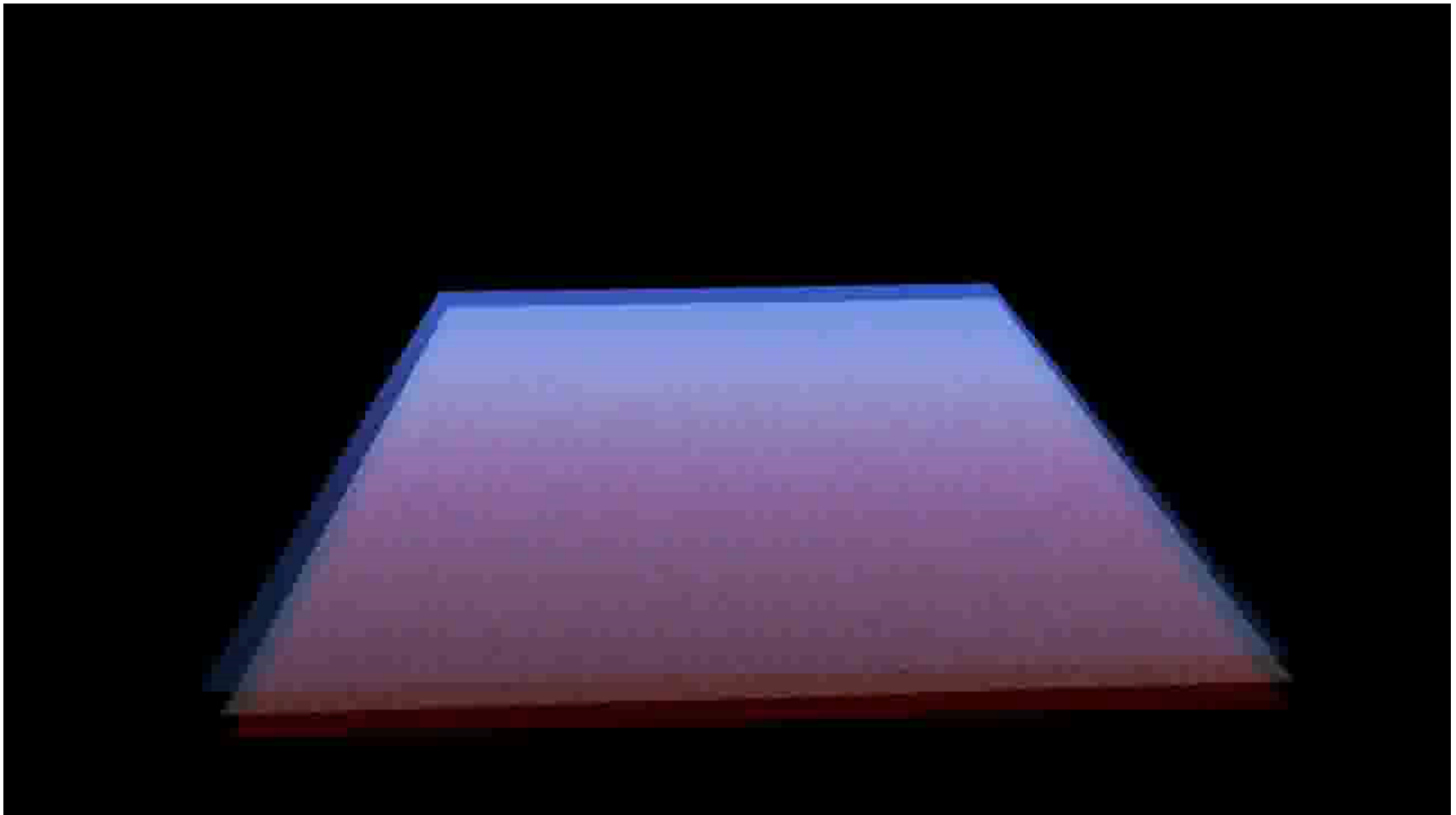
<http://listedmag.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/Lynn-Stout-Excerpt-Crop-11.jpg>

Turbulence is diffusive

Dr. Kai Buerger (TUM, summer 2011)



M. Karweit (MS Thesis, & Album of Fluid Motion, CUP)



Turbulence is dissipative

(but focus on decay of kinetic energy in the eddies)



https://cdn.theculturetrip.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/12220508645_5fd0871488_k-1024x683.jpg

Turbulence is irregular, rough (fractal)

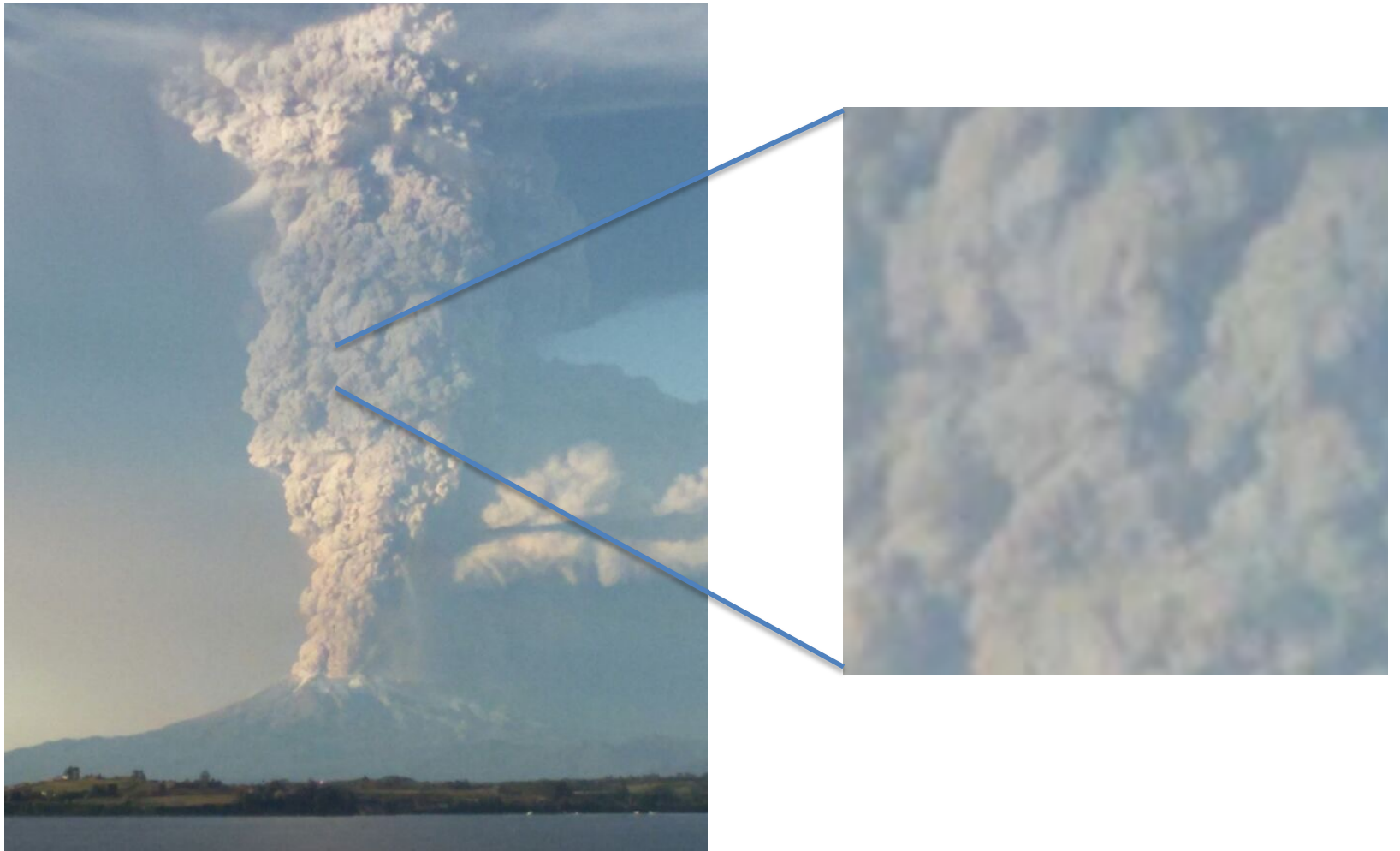
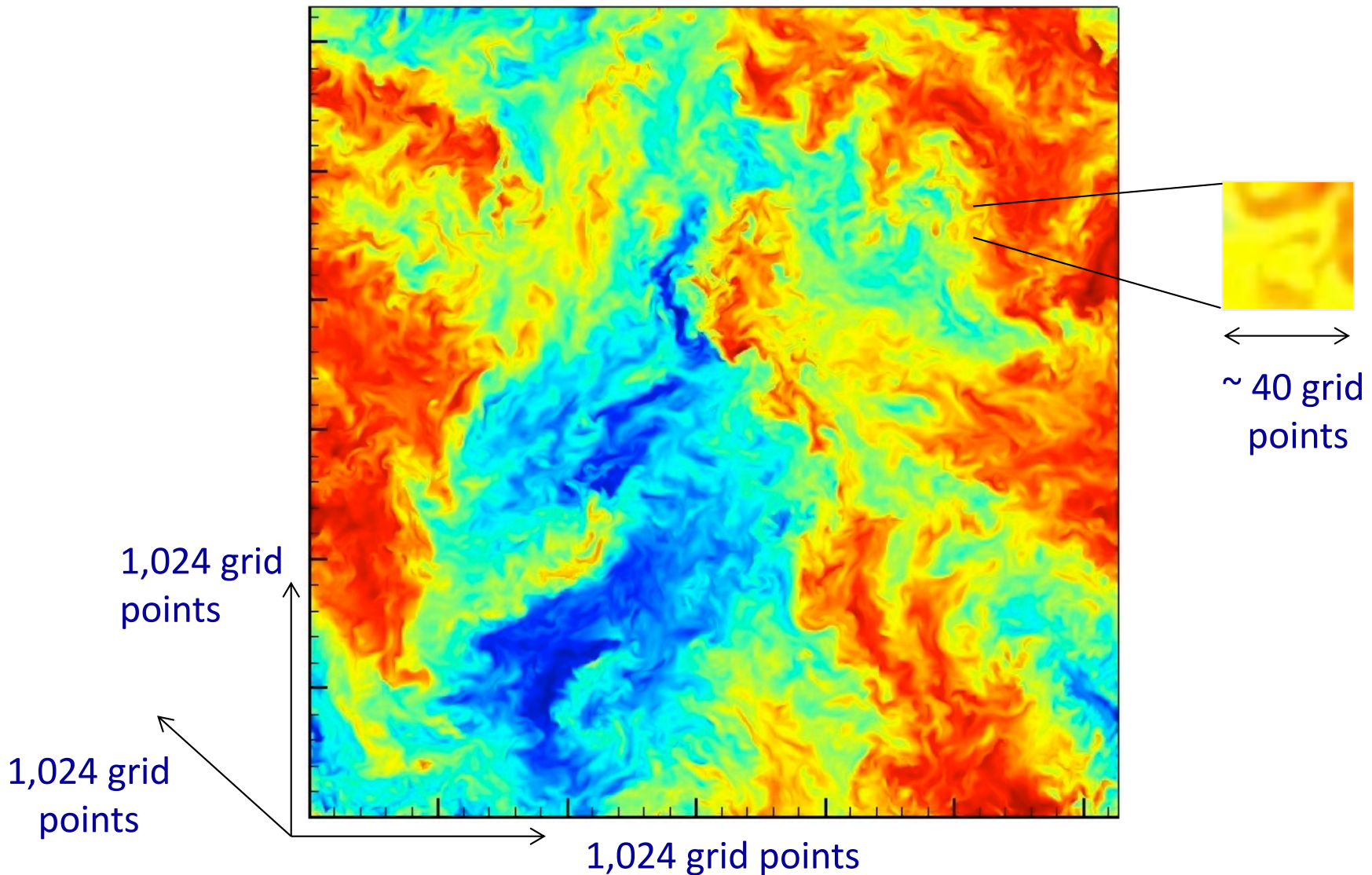


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Turbulence is property of continuum

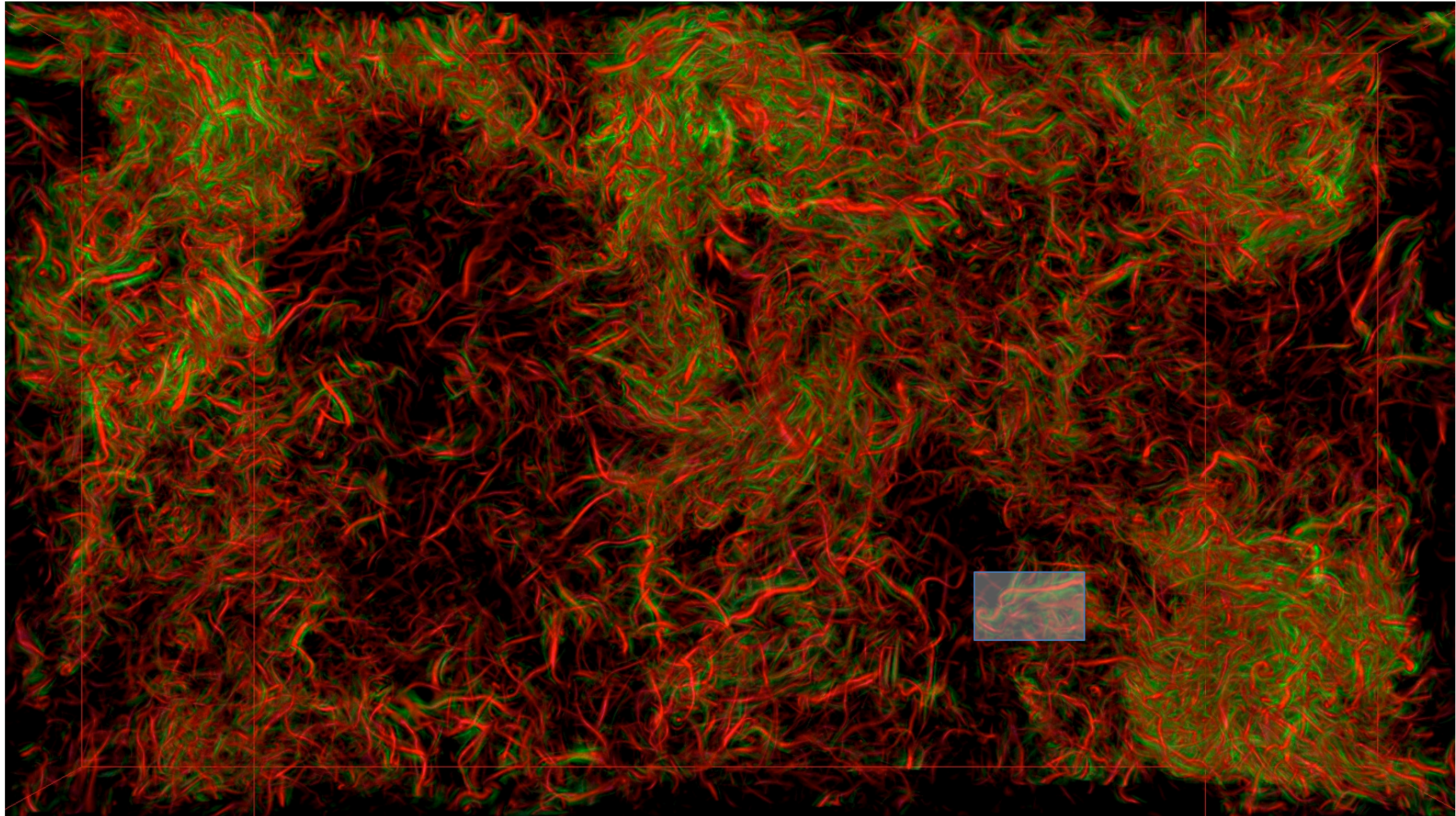
1,024³ DNS: iso-velocity
filled contours

$$u_1(x, y, z_0, t_0)$$

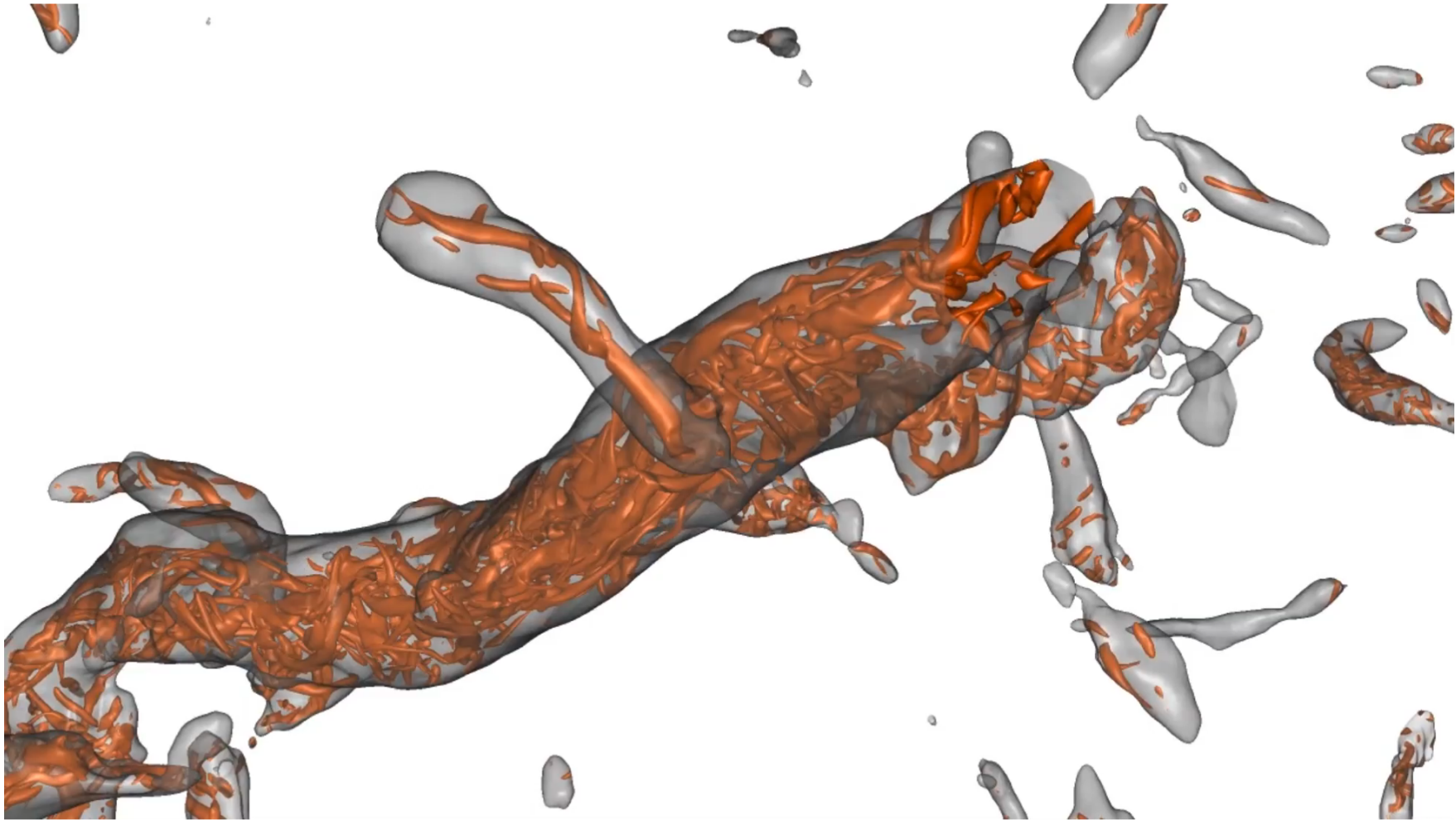


Turbulence is vortical (3D vorticity flucTs.)

$$\|(\nabla \times \mathbf{u})^2\|$$



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Turbulence =
eddies of many sizes
+ large-scale coherent structures



From: Multimedia Fluid Mechanics, Cambridge Univ. Press

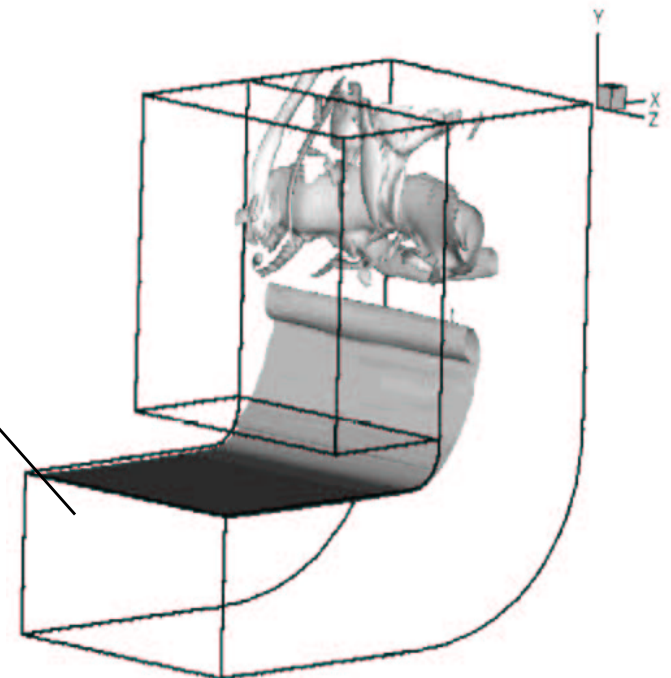
Turbulence in aerospace systems:

Jets and eddies during shuttle launch



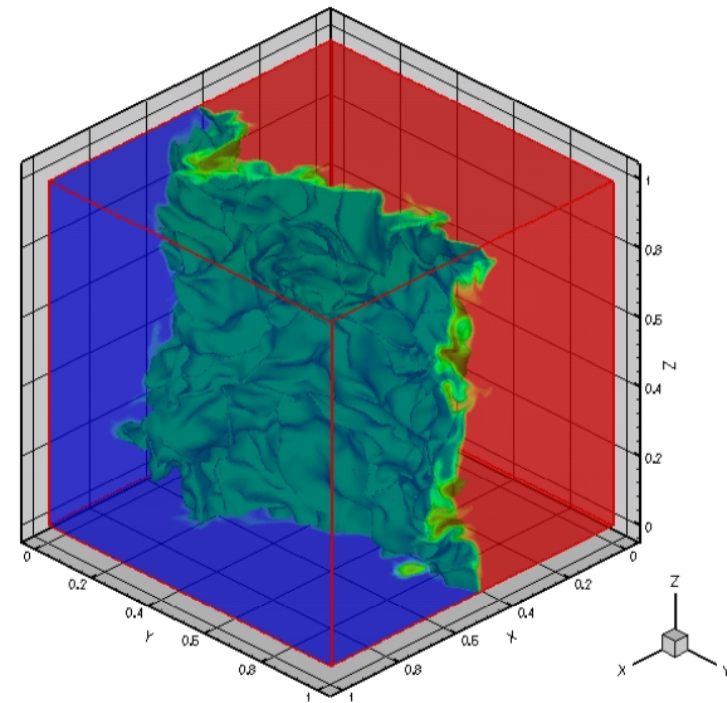
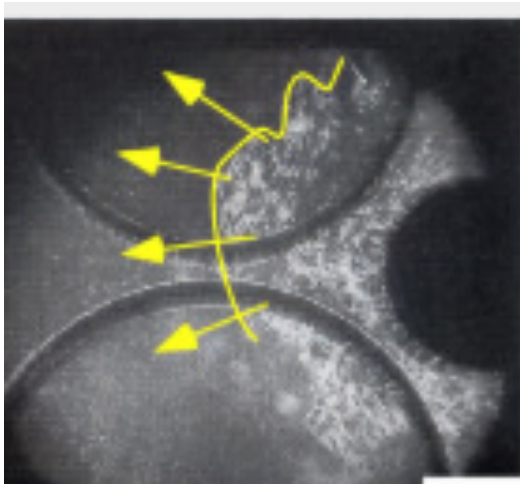
Large Eddy Simulation of flow in thrust-reversers

Blin, Hadjadi & Vervisch (2002)
J. of Turbulence.



Turbulence in reacting flows:

Premixed flame in I.C. engine, combustion



Numerical simulation of flame propagation in decaying isotropic turbulence

Turbulence in renewable energy

From J.N. Sørensen, Annual Rev. Fluid Mech. 2011:

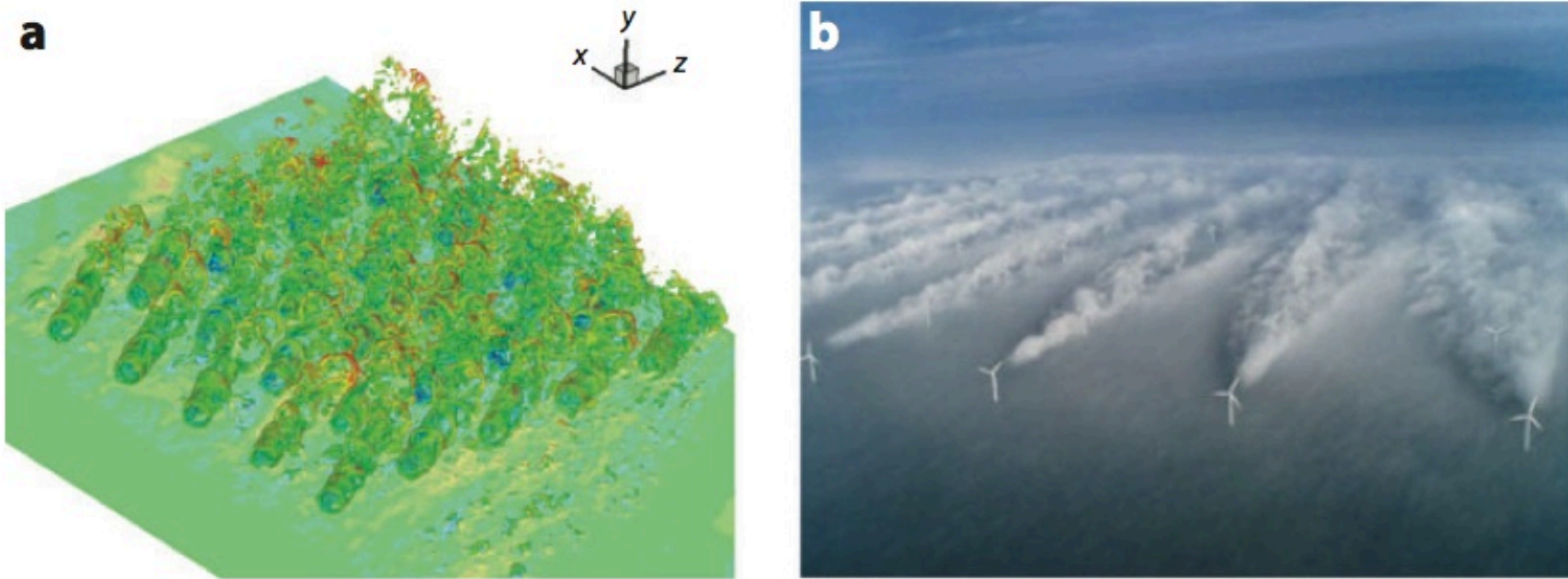
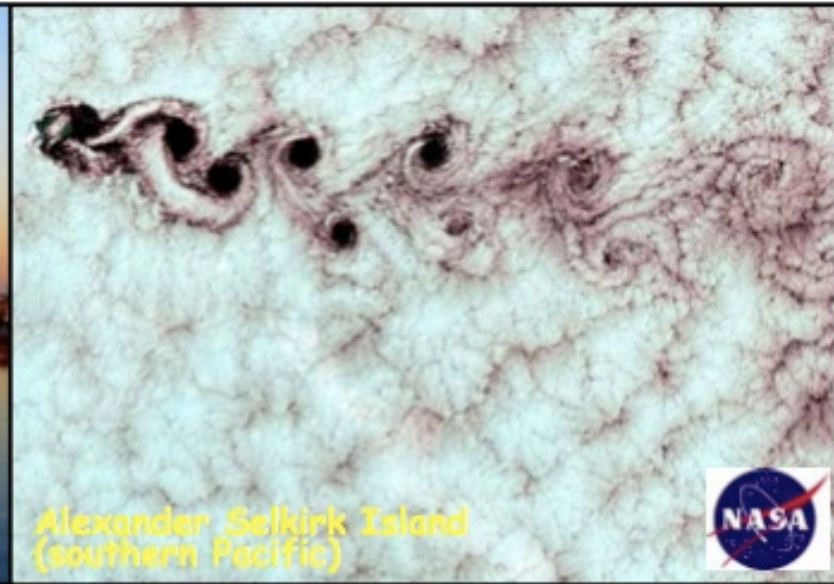


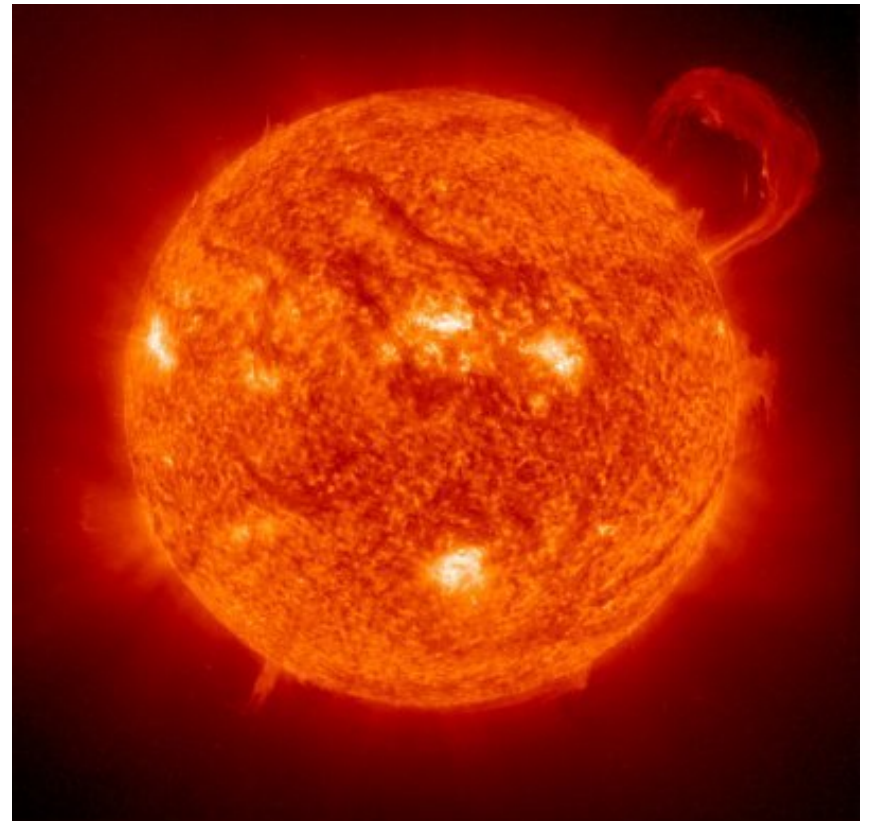
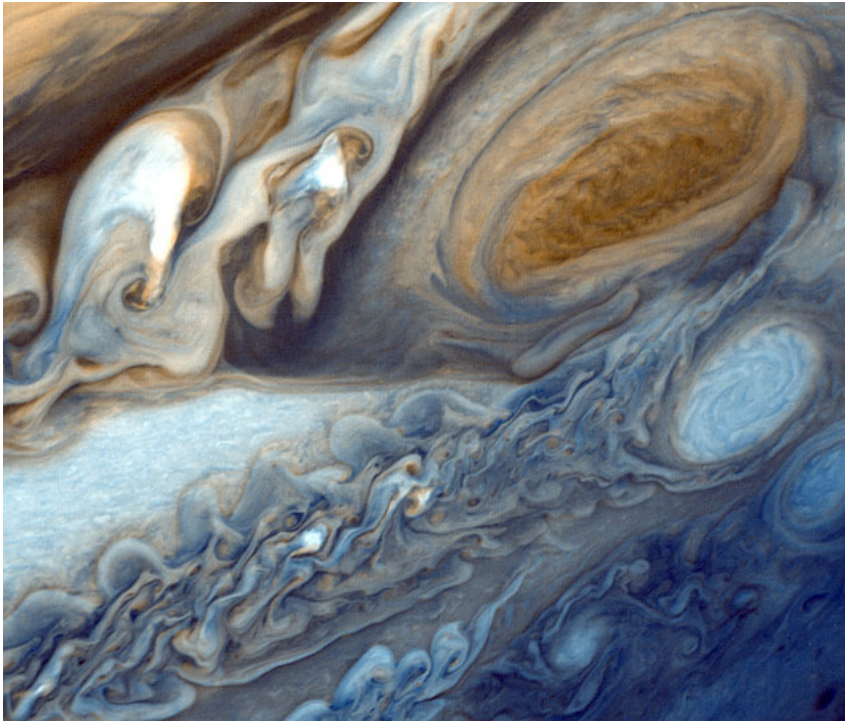
Figure 6

(a) Actuator disc computation of a wind farm consisting of 5×5 wind turbines. (b) Photograph showing the flow field around the Horns Rev wind farm.

Turbulence in environment and geophysics



Turbulence in astrophysics

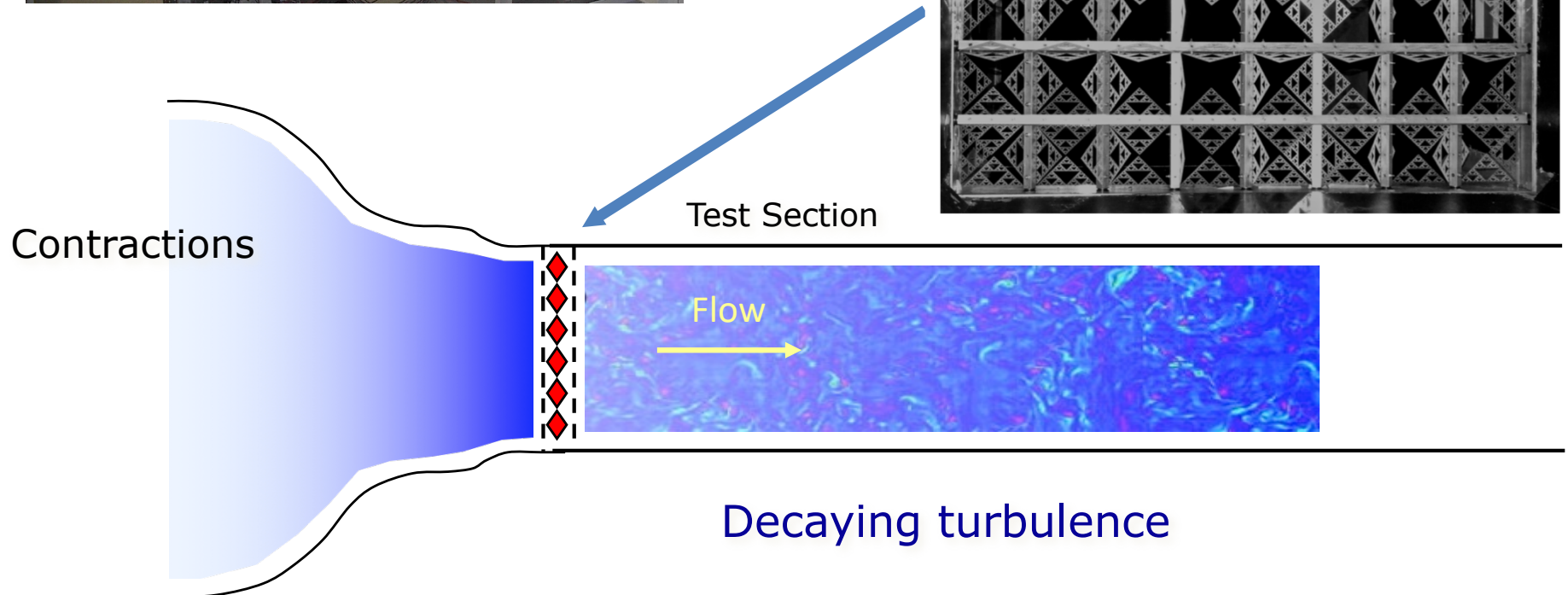
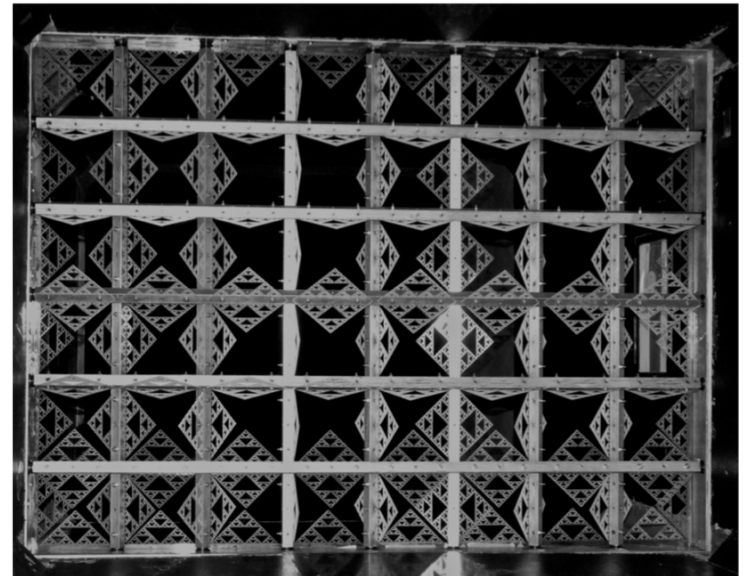


Simplest turbulence: Isotropic turbulence



Corrsin wind tunnel
at the Johns Hopkins University

Fractal Active Grid $M = 6$ "



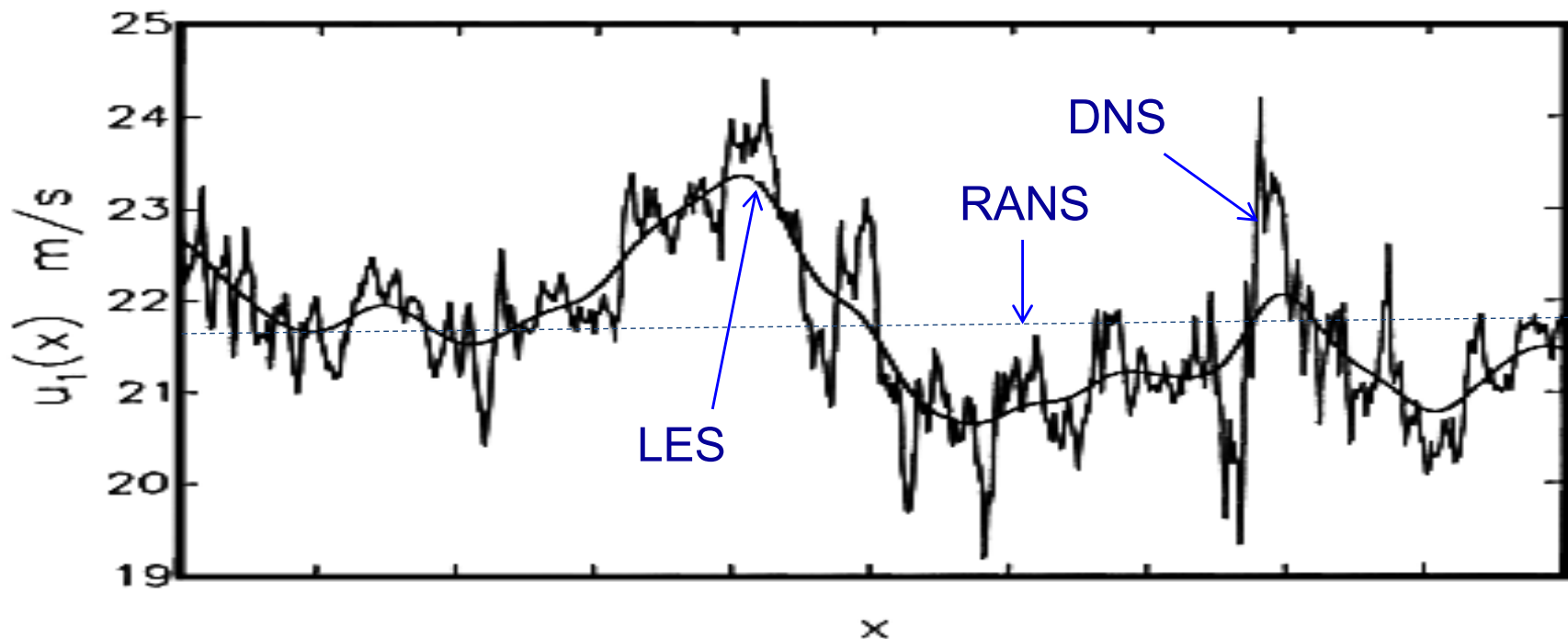
Navier-Stokes equations, incompressible, Newtonian

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_j} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u_k u_j}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_j} + \nu \nabla^2 u_j + g_j \end{array} \right.$$

$$a_j = \frac{F_j}{m}$$

Averaging and filtering: turbulence closure

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Traditional approach: Reynolds decomposition

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Reynolds' equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \bar{u}_j}{\partial x_j} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \bar{u}_j}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_j \bar{u}_k}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial x_j} + \nu \nabla^2 \bar{u}_j + g_j - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left(\overline{u_j u_k} - \bar{u}_j \bar{u}_k \right) \end{array} \right. \quad t$$

• Kinematic Reynolds stress (minus):

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$$\sigma_{jk}^R = \overline{u_j u_k} - \bar{u}_j \bar{u}_k$$

Written as velocity co-variance tensor:

$$\sigma_{jk}^R = \overline{(\bar{u}_j + u'_j)(\bar{u}_k + u'_k)} - \bar{u}_j \bar{u}_k = \overline{\bar{u}_j \bar{u}_k} + \overline{\bar{u}_j u'_k} + \overline{\bar{u}_k u'_j} + \overline{u'_j u'_k} - \bar{u}_j \bar{u}_k = \overline{u'_j u'_k}$$

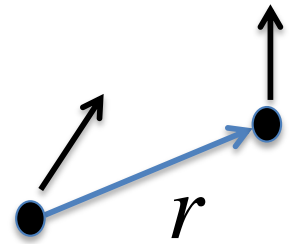
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**Eddies (shapes, sizes, correlations) determine R-stress:
Spatial “structure” of turbulence important – 2 point stats**

Turbulence has eddies at many scales

Characterizing 2-point structure:




$$\delta u(r) = [\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) - \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})] \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r}$$

$$D_{LL}(r) = \langle \delta u(r)^2 \rangle$$

$$\Theta_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) = \langle \hat{u}_i(\mathbf{k}) \hat{u}_j^*(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$$

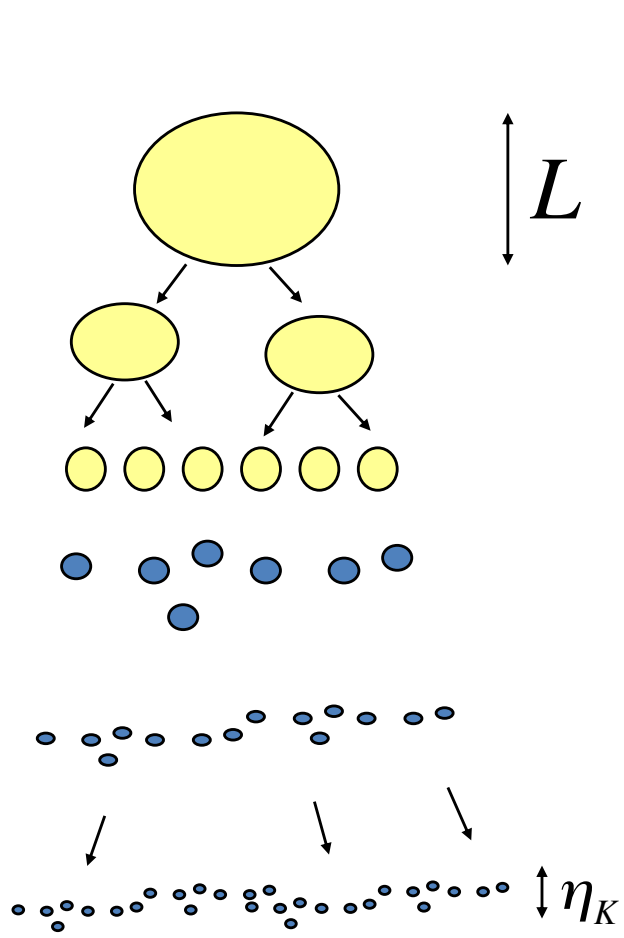
Isotropic turbulence

$$\Theta_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{E(k)}{4\pi k^2} \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \right)$$

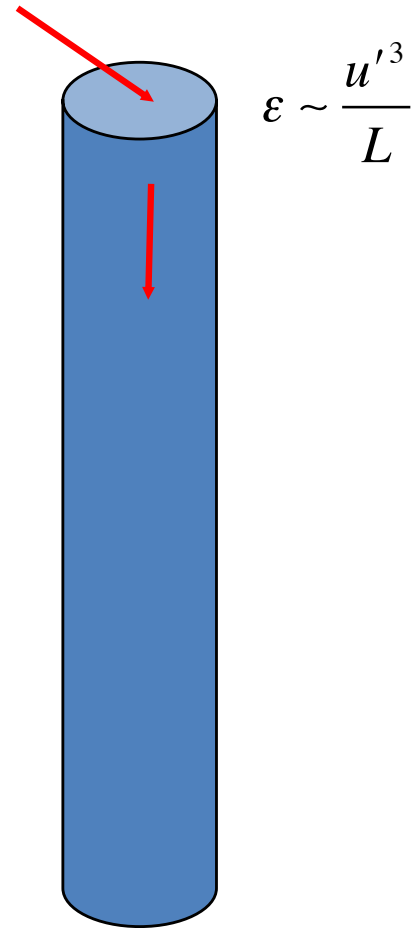
$$E(k) = 4\pi k^2 \langle \hat{u}_i(\mathbf{k}) \hat{u}_i^*(\mathbf{k}) \rangle_{k=|\mathbf{k}|}$$

- Turbulence Physics: the energy cascade**
(Richardson 1922, Kolmogorov 1941...)

$$u' \equiv \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} \overline{u'_i u'_i}}$$



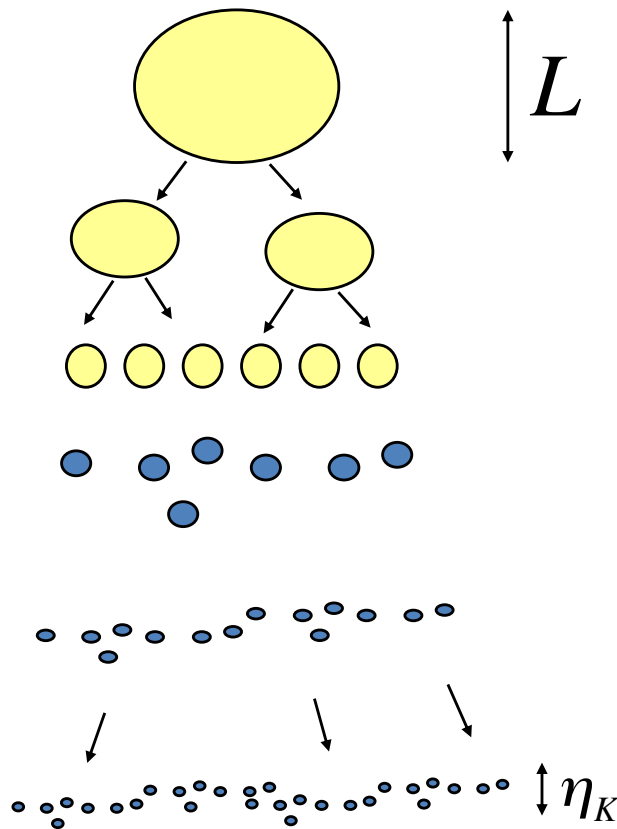
Injection of kinetic energy into turbulence (from mean flow)



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Constant Flux of energy across scales: ε



$$\varepsilon \sim \frac{u'^3}{L}$$

$$\varepsilon \sim \frac{\delta u(r_1)^3}{r_1}$$

$$\varepsilon \sim \frac{\delta u(r_2)^3}{r_2}$$

From Navier-Stokes:

$$\langle \varepsilon \rangle = -\frac{5}{4} \frac{\langle \delta u(r)^3 \rangle}{r}$$

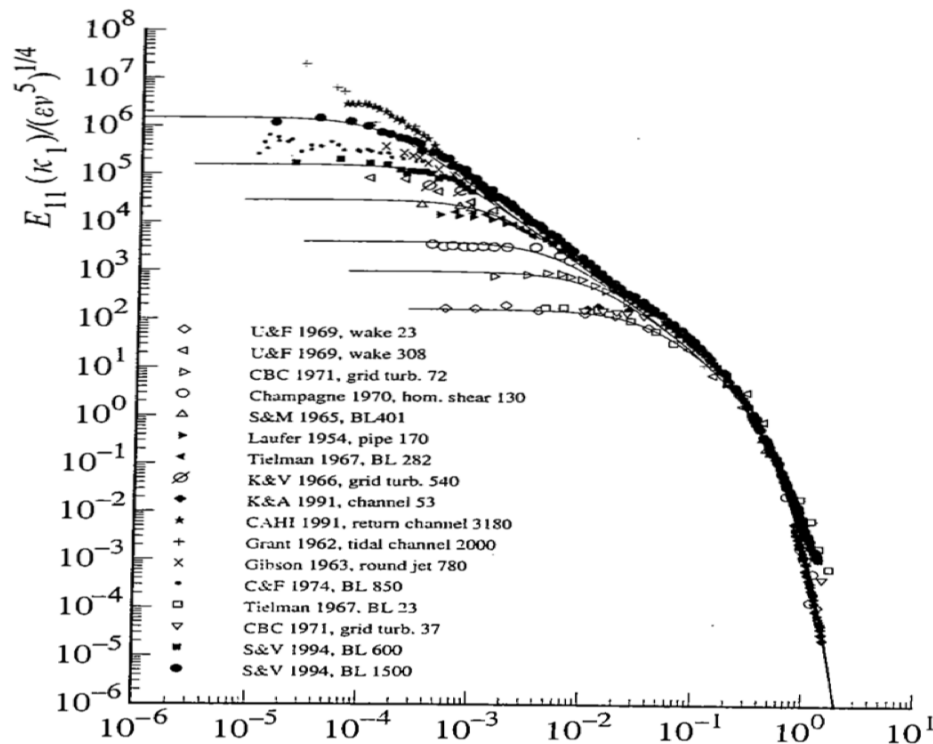
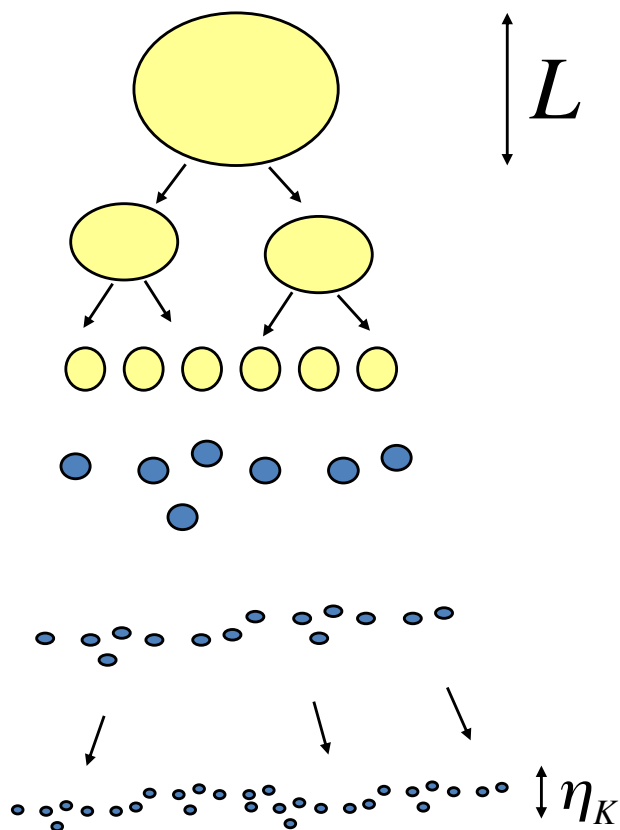
$$\varepsilon = 2\nu \overline{\frac{\partial u'_i}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial u'_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_i} \right)}$$

Dissipation of kinetic energy into heat (due to molecular friction)

• **Turbulence Physics: the energy cascade**
(Richardson 1922, Kolmogorov 1941)

$$\varepsilon \sim \frac{\delta u(r)^3}{r} \rightarrow \delta u(r)^2 \sim \varepsilon^{2/3} r^{2/3}$$

$$E(k) = C_K \varepsilon^{2/3} k^{-5/3} f(k\eta)$$



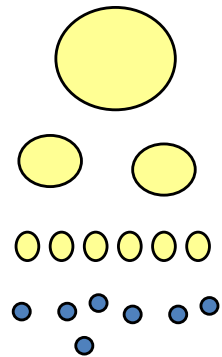
From: Saddoughi & Veeravalli, JFM

Direct Numerical Simulation:

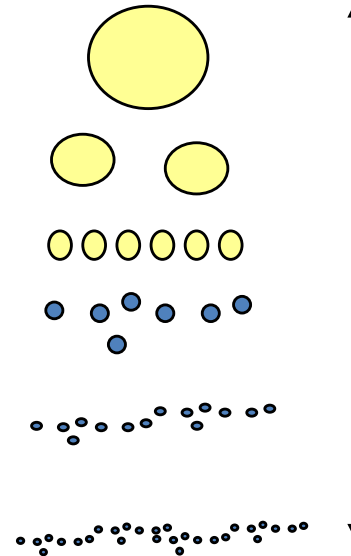
N-S equations:

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Moderate Re
($\sim 10^3$),
DNS possible



High Re
($\sim 10^7$),
DNS impossible

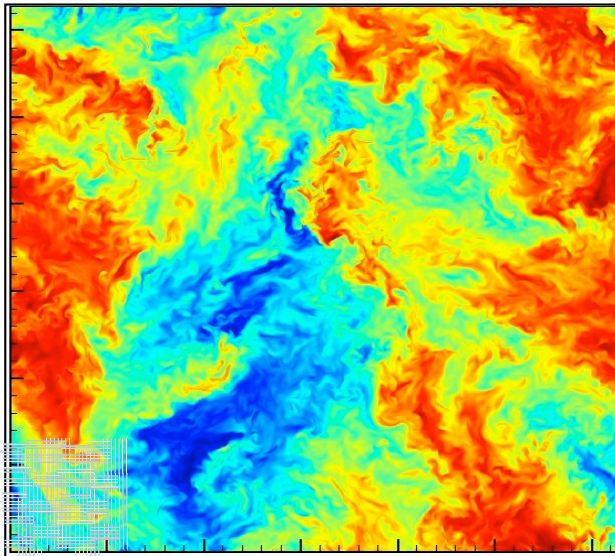


Coarse-graining - Large-Eddy-Simulation (LES):

Coarse-graining for more affordable simulations

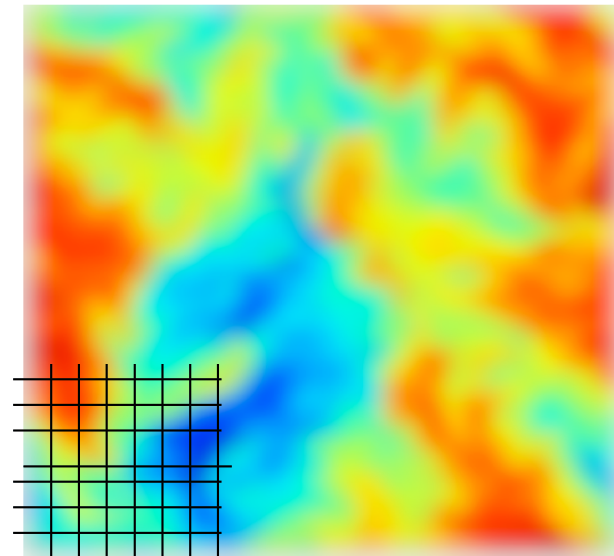
$$u_1(x, y, z_0, t_0)$$

4×10^9
d.o.f.



$$\tilde{u}_1(x, y, z_0, t_0)$$

10^5
d.o.f.



Ongoing Research Questions:

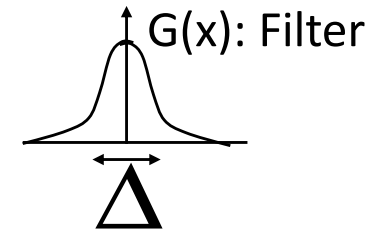
- How do small-scales affect large scale motions (and vice-versa)?
- How can we replace the effects of small scales on large scales (SGS modeling)?

Large-eddy-simulation (LES) and filtering:

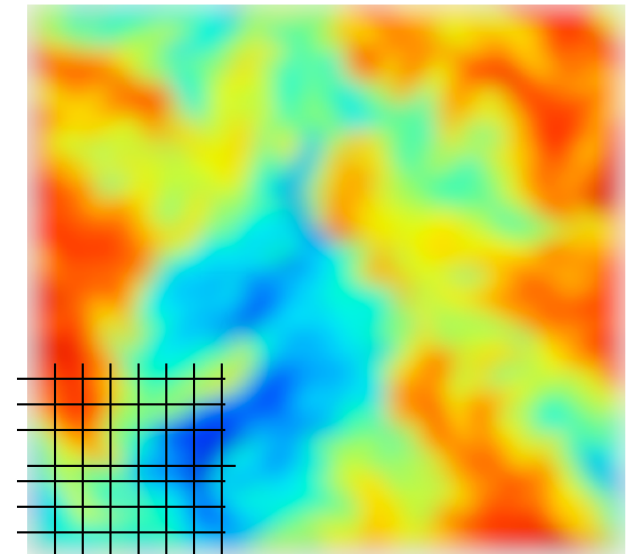
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$$\tilde{u}_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = G_{\Delta} * u_i = \int G_{\Delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') u_i(\mathbf{x}') d^3 \mathbf{x}'$$



$$\tilde{u}_1(x, y, z_0, t_0)$$



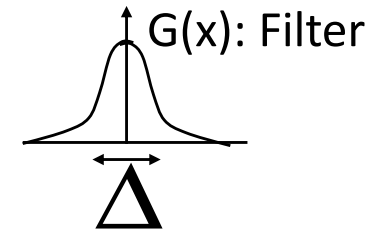
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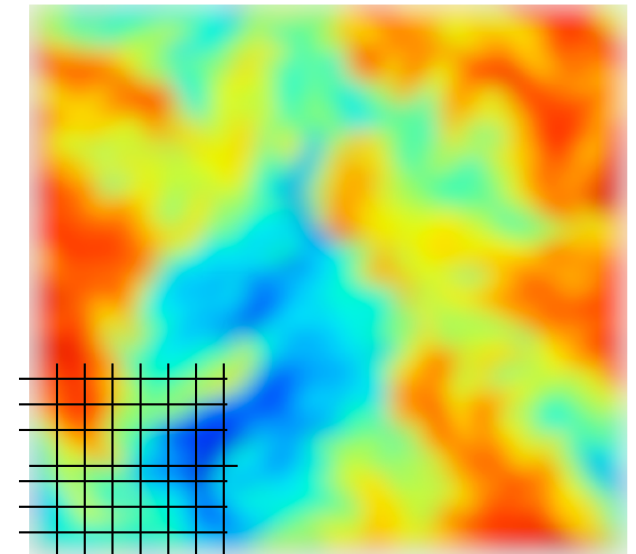
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Filtered N-S equations:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_j}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \widetilde{u_k u_j}}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{p}}{\partial x_j} + \nu \nabla^2 \tilde{u}_j$$



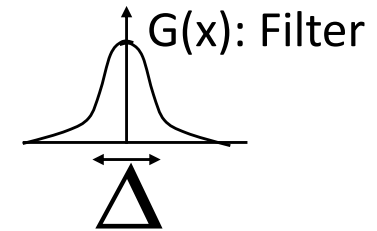
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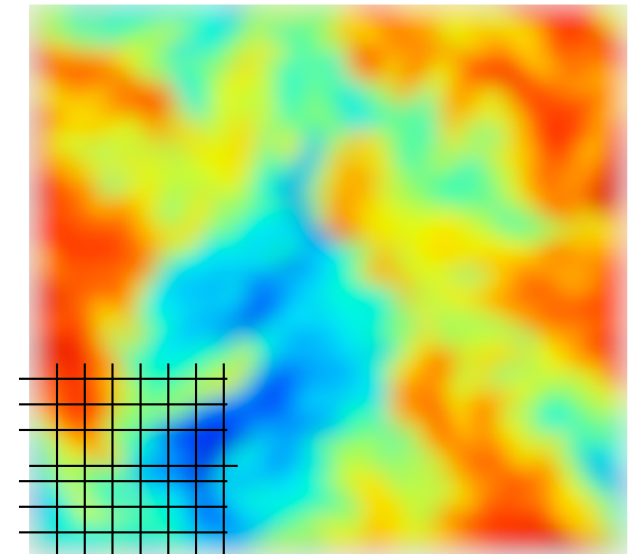


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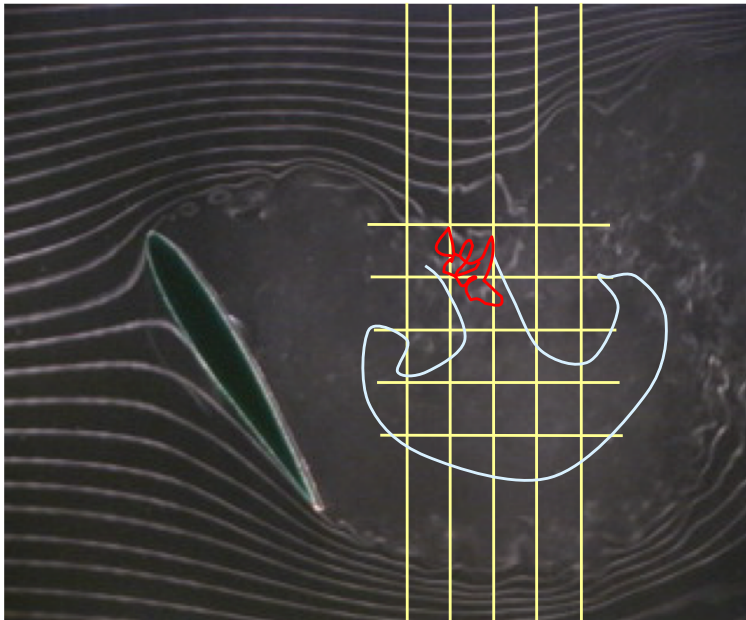


where SGS stress tensor is:

$$\tau_{ij} = \widetilde{u_i u_j} - \tilde{u}_i \tilde{u}_j$$

Most common modeling approach: eddy-viscosity

$$\tau_{ij}^d = -\nu_{sgs} \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \right) = -2\nu_{sgs} \tilde{S}_{ij}$$



$$\nu_{sgs} = l \times vel \sim \Delta \times (\Delta |\tilde{S}|)$$

$$\nu_{sgs} = (c_s \Delta)^2 |\tilde{S}|$$

c_s : “Smagorinsky coefficient”

HISTORY: 1960s, 1970s

- J Smagorinsky
- DK Lilly
- J Deardorff

Effects of τ_{ij} upon resolved motions: Energetics (kinetic energy):

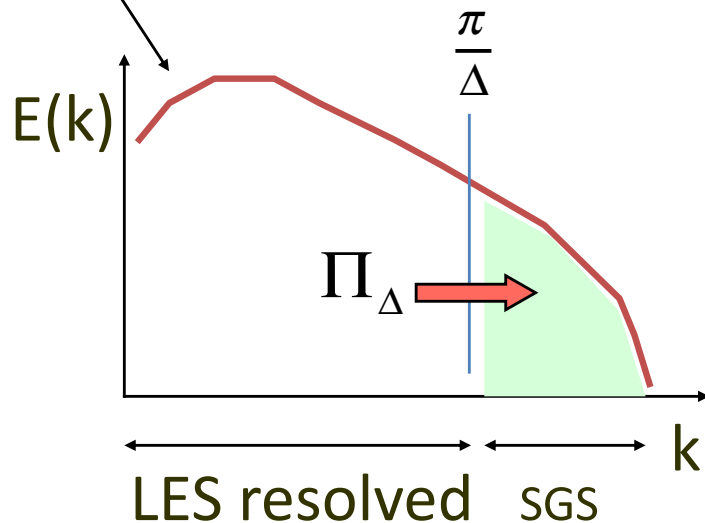
$$\frac{\partial \frac{1}{2} \tilde{u}_j \tilde{u}_j}{\partial t} + \tilde{u}_k \frac{\partial \frac{1}{2} \tilde{u}_j \tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_k} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\dots) - 2\nu \tilde{S}_{jk} \tilde{S}_{jk} - (-\tau_{jk} \tilde{S}_{jk})$$

$$\tilde{S}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

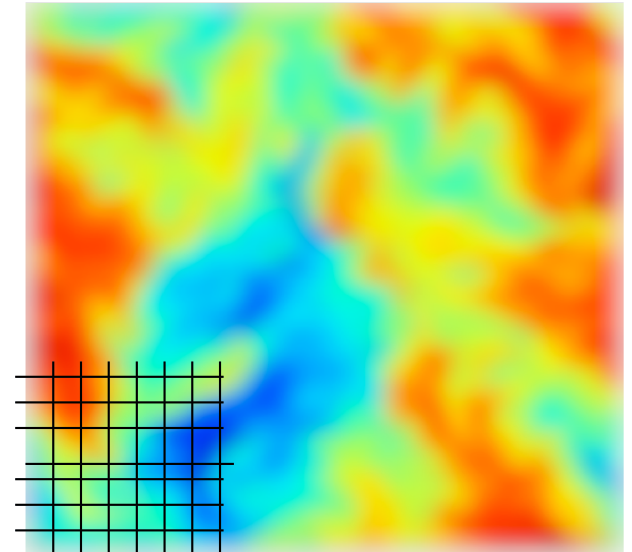
$$\Pi_{\Delta} = - \langle \tau_{jk} \tilde{S}_{jk} \rangle$$

Inertial-range flux

$$\varepsilon = \frac{u'^3}{L}$$



$$\tilde{u}_1(x, y, z_0, t_0)$$



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Two-point structure of coarse-grained NS:

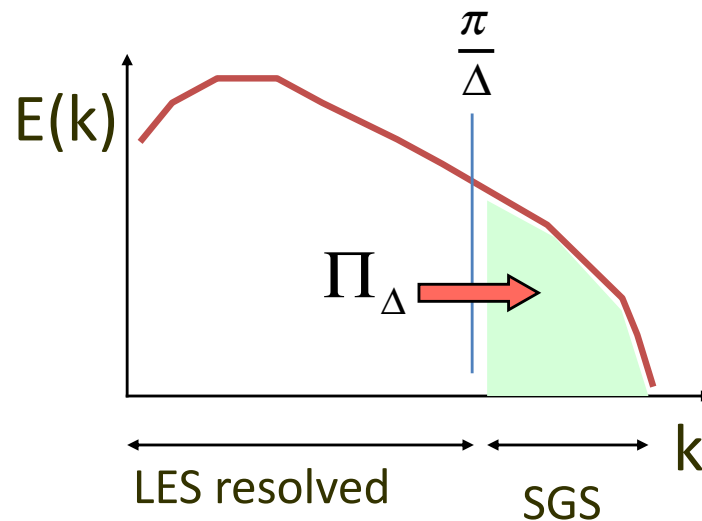
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$$\Pi_{\Delta} = - \langle \tau_{jk} \tilde{S}_{jk} \rangle$$

Similarly to von Karman-Howarth and Kolmogorov equation:

For isotropic turbulence, in inertial rang:

$$\langle \delta \tilde{u}(r)^3 \rangle + 6 \langle \tau_{LL}(x) \delta \tilde{u}(r) \rangle = - \frac{4}{5} \Pi_{\Delta} r$$



$$\tau_{ij} = -2(c_s \Delta)^2 |\tilde{S}| \tilde{S}_{ij}$$

Simplest model that can “control” the “dissipation”

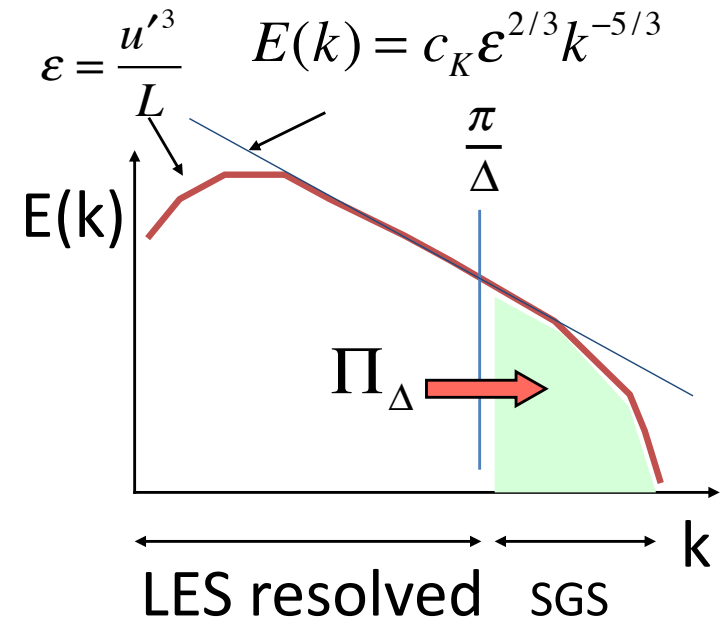
But how much is c_s ?

Theoretical calibration of c_s (D.K. Lilly, 1967):

$$\Pi_{\Delta} = \varepsilon = -\langle \tau_{ij} \tilde{S}_{ij} \rangle \quad \tau_{ij} = -2(c_s \Delta)^2 |\tilde{S}| \tilde{S}_{ij}$$

$$\varepsilon = c_s^2 \Delta^2 2 \langle |\tilde{S}| \tilde{S}_{ij} \tilde{S}_{ij} \rangle$$

$$\varepsilon \approx c_s^2 \Delta^2 2^{3/2} \langle \tilde{S}_{ij} \tilde{S}_{ij} \rangle^{3/2}$$



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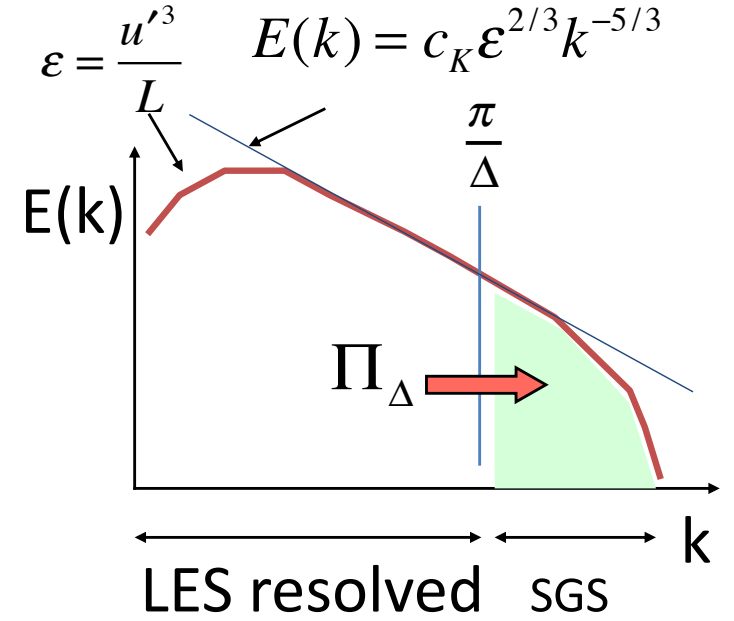
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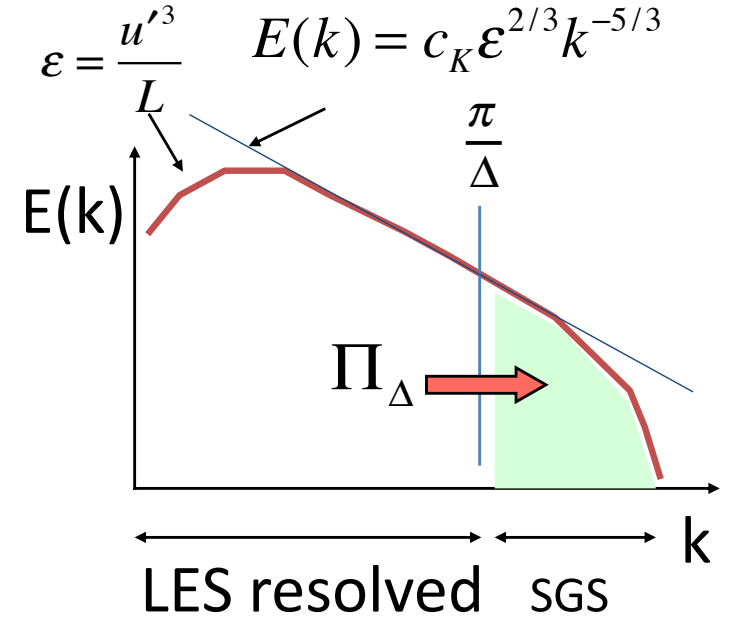
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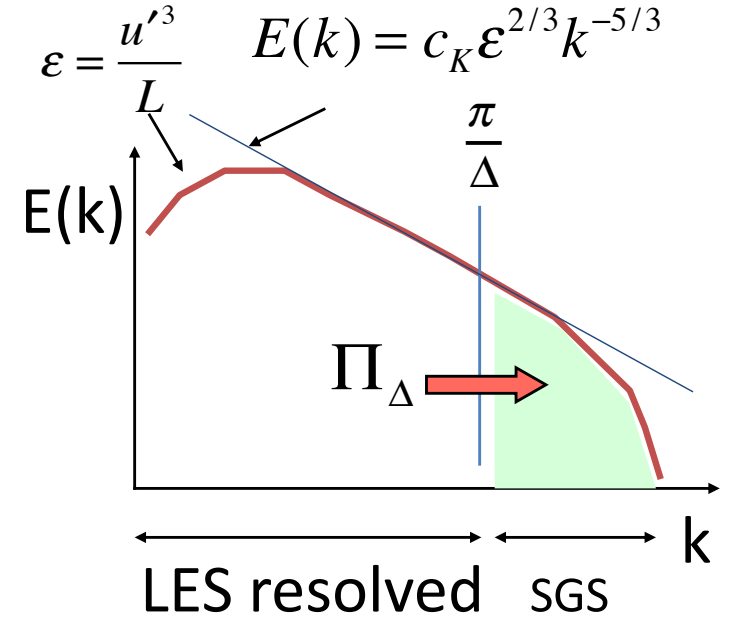
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some remarks on eddy-viscosity

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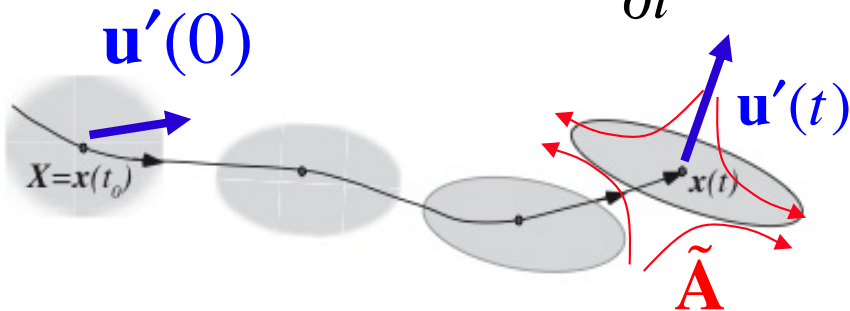
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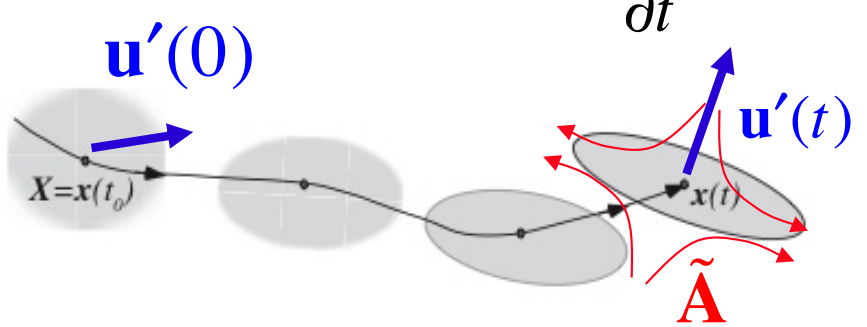
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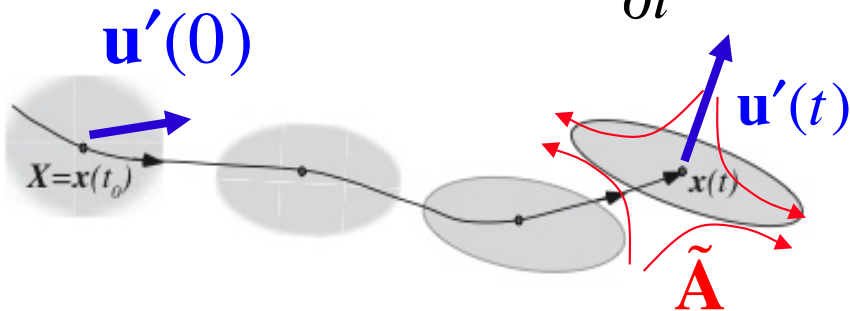
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“Production-only” approximation:

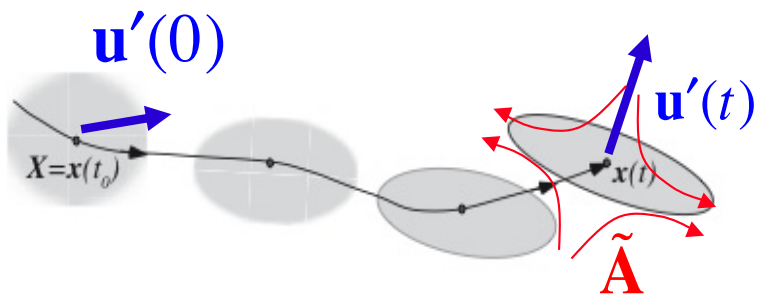
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Li, Chevillard, Eyink & CM
Phys Rev. E, 2009.

(stretching and tilting of vel.
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- consistent with vortex stretching)

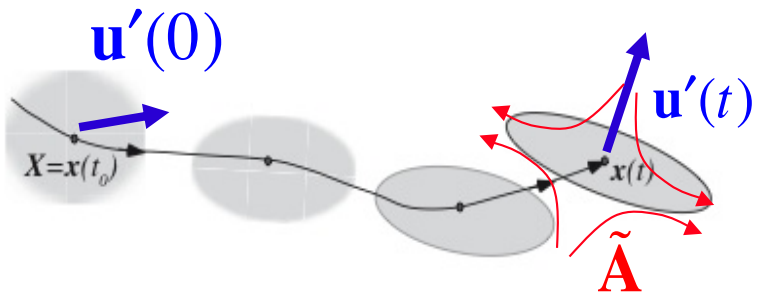
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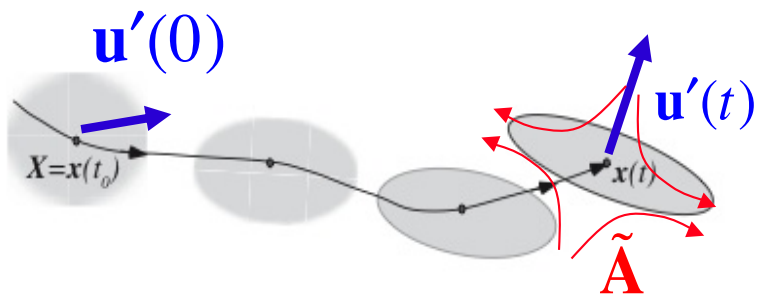


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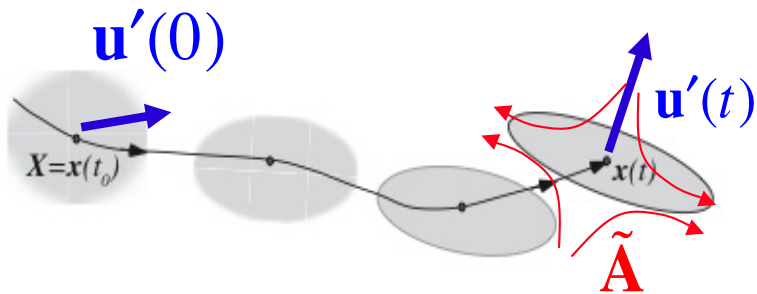


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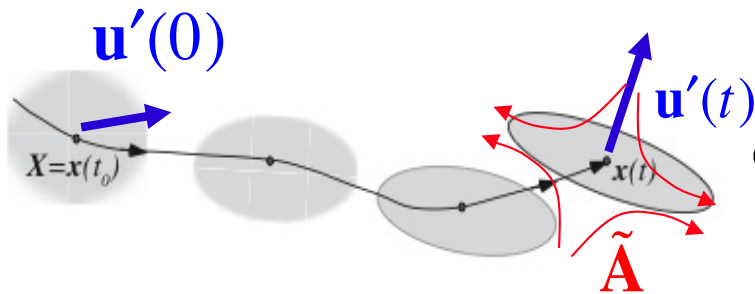
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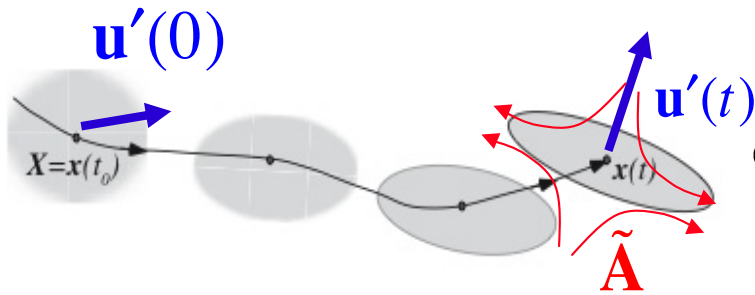
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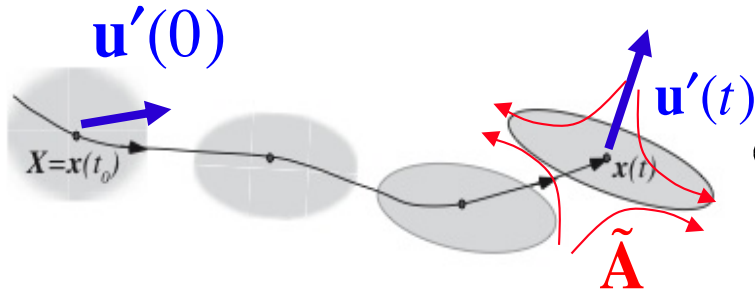


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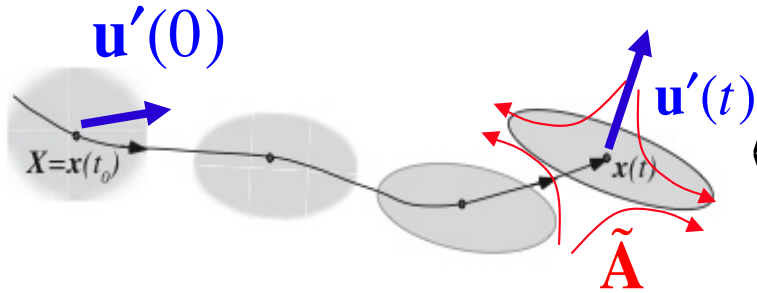
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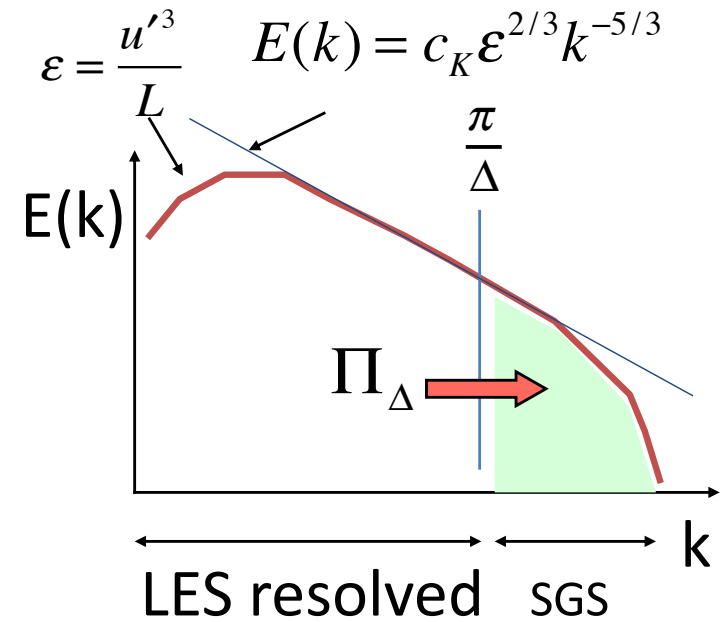
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$c_s=0.16$ works well for isotropic,
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But in practice
(complex flows)

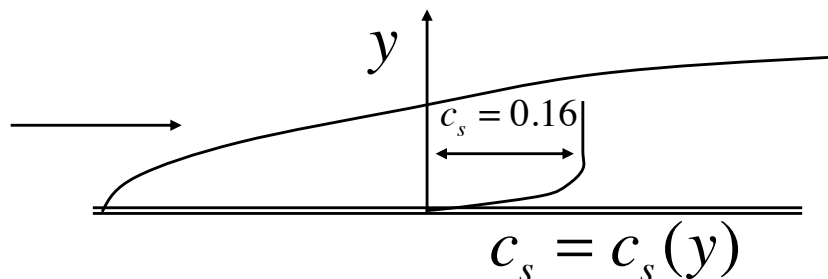
$$c_s = c_s(\mathbf{X}, t)$$

Ad-hoc tuning?

Examples: Transitional pipe flow: from 0 to 0.16



Near wall damping for wall boundary layers (Piomelli et al 1989)



How does c_s vary under realistic conditions?

Interrogate data:

Measure: $\Pi_{\Delta} = -\langle \tau_{jk} \tilde{S}_{jk} \rangle$

Measure: $\frac{\Pi_{\Delta}^{Smag}}{c_s^2} = 2\Delta^2 \langle |\tilde{S}| \tilde{S}_{ij} \tilde{S}_{ij} \rangle$

Obtain “empirical” Smagorinsky coefficient = $f(x, conditions...)$:

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An example result from atmospheric turbulence....:

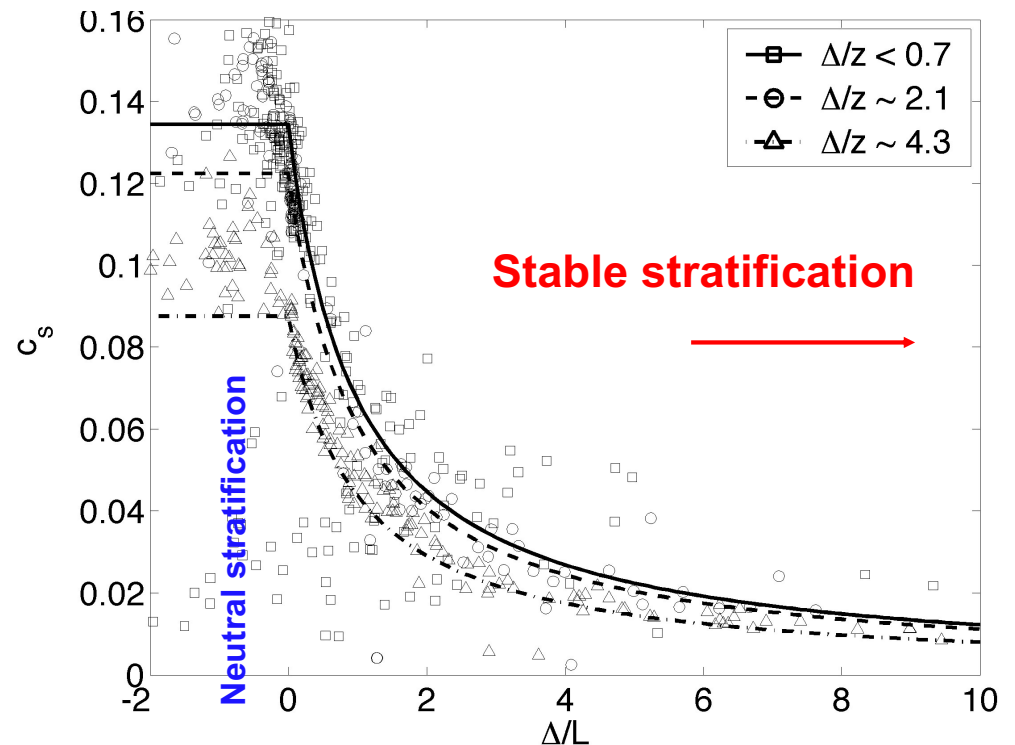
Measure “empirical” Smagorinsky coefficient for atmospheric surface layer as function of height and stability (thermal forcing or damping):

HATS - 2000
 (with NCAR
 researchers:
 Horst, Sullivan)
 Kettleman City
 (Central Valley, CA)



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Example result: effect of atmospheric stability on coefficient from sonic anemometer measurements in atmospheric surface layer (Kleissl et al., J. Atmos. Sci. 2003)



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How to avoid “tuning” and case-by-case adjustments of model coefficient in LES?

The Dynamic Model

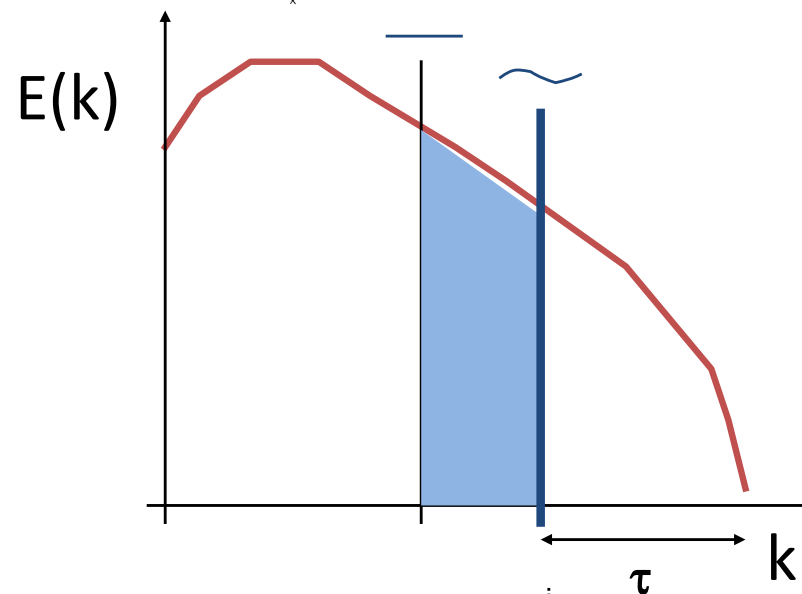
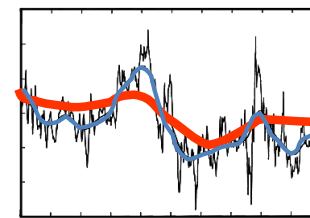
(Germano et al. Physics of Fluids, 1991)

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LES resolved

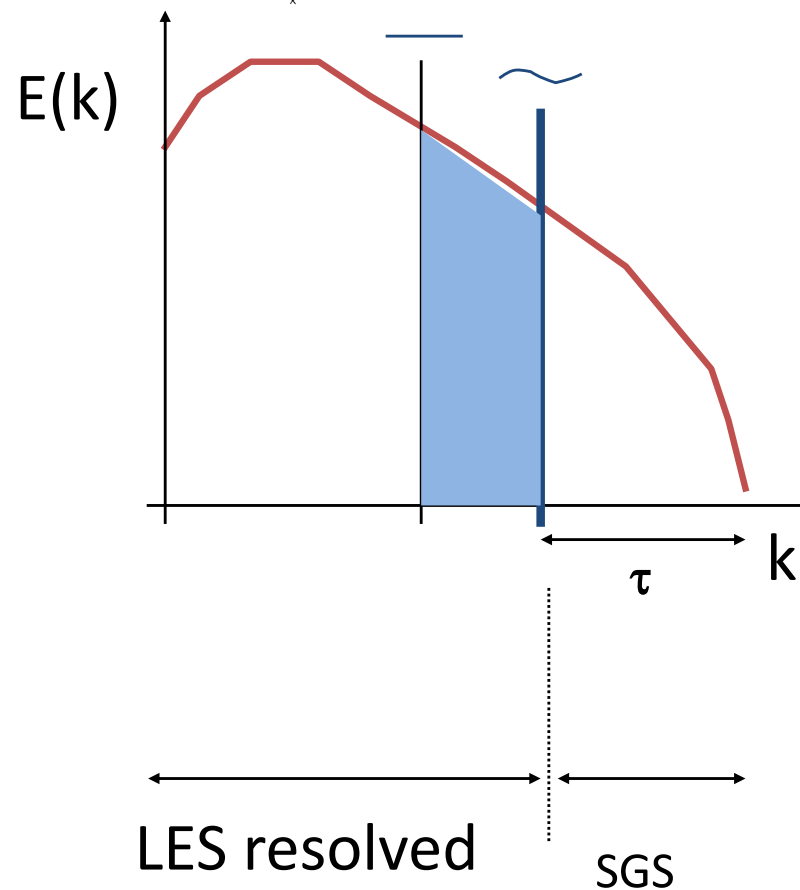
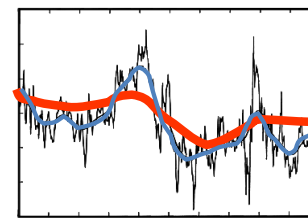
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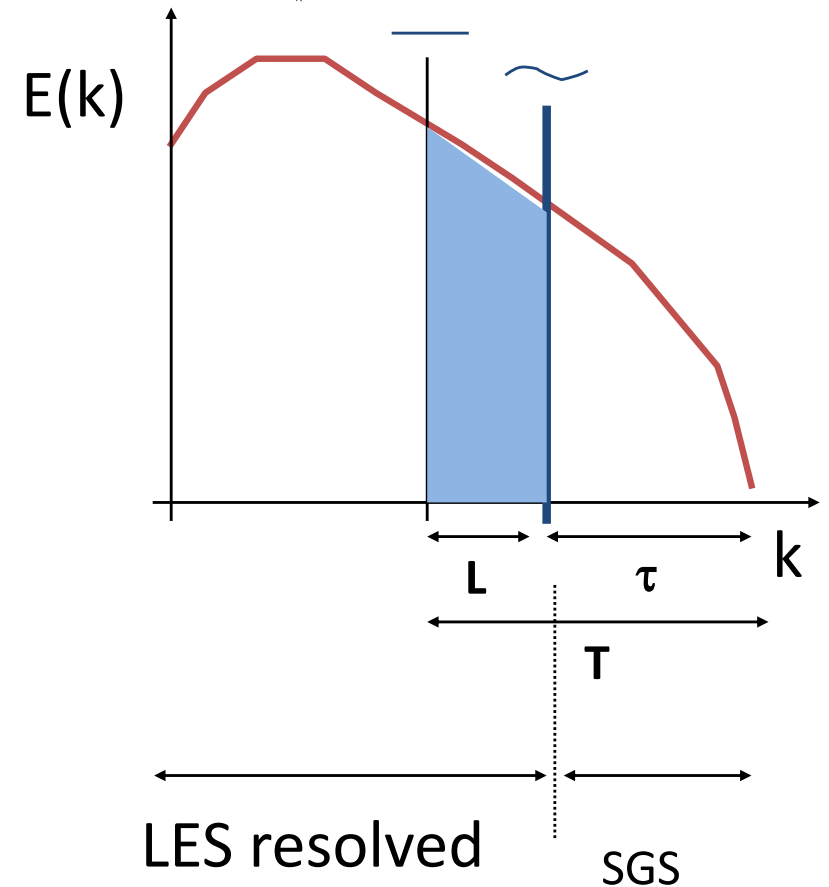
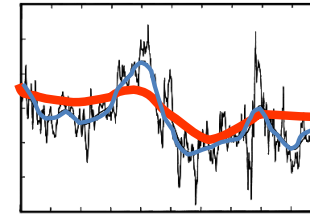
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$$\underbrace{\overline{\tilde{u}_i \tilde{u}_j}} - \underbrace{\tilde{\tau}_{ij}} = \underbrace{\overline{u_i u_j}} - \underbrace{\tilde{u}_i \tilde{u}_j} + \underbrace{\tilde{u}_i \tilde{u}_j} - \underbrace{\tilde{\tau}_{ij}}$$

$$T_{ij} = \bar{\tau}_{ij} + L_{ij}$$

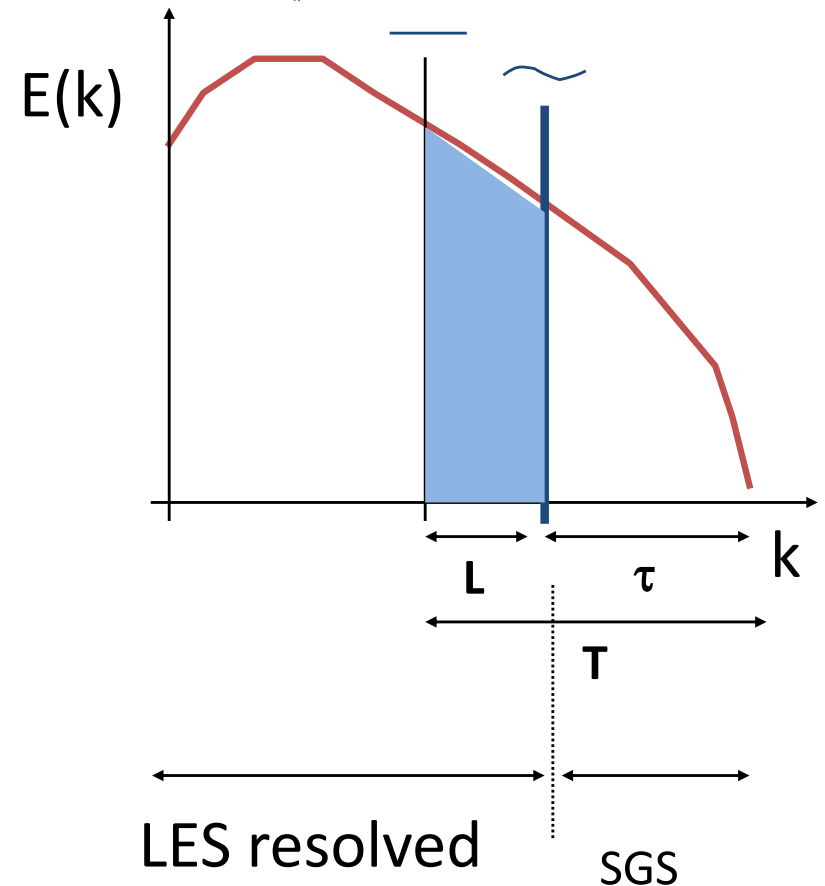
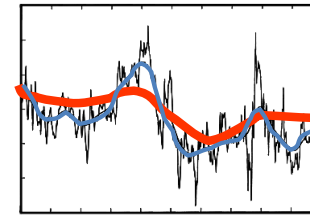
$$L_{ij} - (T_{ij} - \bar{\tau}_{ij}) = 0$$

$$-2(c_s 2\Delta)^2 |\bar{S}| \bar{S}_{ij} \quad -2(c_s \Delta)^2 |\tilde{S}| \tilde{S}_{ij}$$

Assumes scale-invariance:

$$L_{ij} - c_s^2 M_{ij} = 0$$

where $M_{ij} = 2\Delta^2 \left(\overline{|\tilde{S}| \tilde{S}_{ij}} - 4 |\bar{S}| \bar{S}_{ij} \right)$



Germano identity and dynamic model

(Germano et al. 1991):

$$L_{ij} - c_s^2 M_{ij} = 0$$

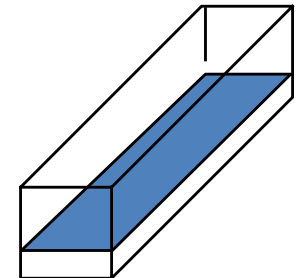
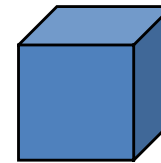
Over-determined system:
solve in “some average sense”
(minimize error, Lilly 1992):

$$E = \left\langle (L_{ij} - c_s^2 M_{ij})^2 \right\rangle$$

Minimized when:

$$c_s^2 = \frac{\langle L_{ij} M_{ij} \rangle}{\langle M_{ij} M_{ij} \rangle}$$

Averaging over regions of
statistical homogeneity
or fluid trajectories



Dynamic subgrid model: scale dependence + Lagrangian averaging

$$\tau^{sgs} = \widetilde{uu} - \tilde{u}\tilde{u} = -2\nu_T \tilde{S} \quad \nu_T = C_s^2 \Delta^2 |\tilde{S}|$$

Dynamic model:
Germano et al. PoF 1991

Major Features of the LASD Subgrid-Scale Model

➤ Scale-dependence:

Porte-Agel, Meneveau & Parlange
(JFM, 2000)

Assume that *Smagorinsky coefficient* is scale-dependent.

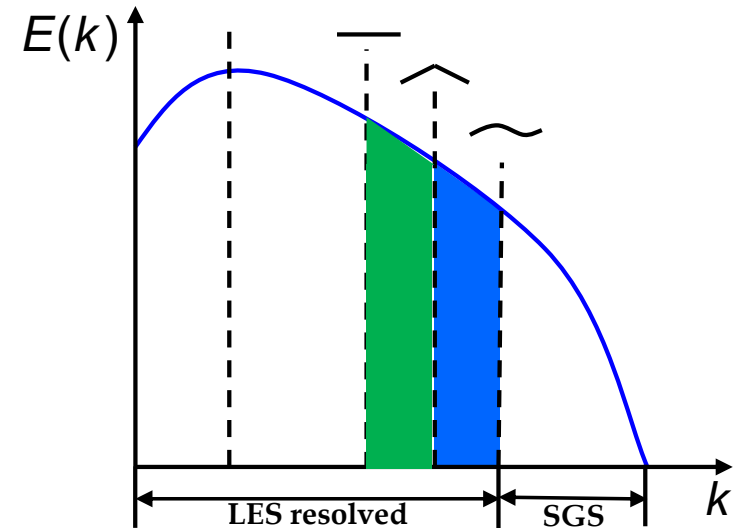
$$C_{S,\hat{\Delta}}^2 = \gamma_c C_{S,\Delta}^2$$

$$\gamma_c = C_{S,\hat{\Delta}}^2 / C_{S,\Delta}^2 = C_{S,\bar{\Delta}}^2 / C_{S,\hat{\Delta}}^2$$

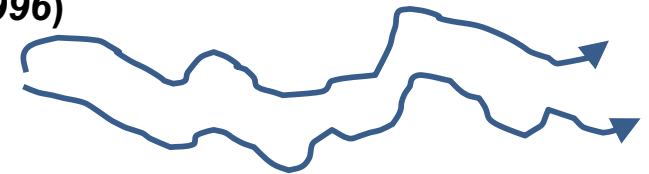
➤ Lagrangian averaging:

Averaging backward in time along particle trajectory.

$$L_f = \int_{-\infty}^t f(\mathbf{z}(t'), t') \frac{1}{T} \exp\left(-\frac{t-t'}{T}\right) dt'$$



Meneveau, Lund &
Cabot (JFM, 1996)



Example application of LES:

Using LASD SGS model

