

Turbulent flows,...

Remark: foils with „black background“ could be skipped, they are aimed to the more advanced courses

Turbulence

Source of nonlinearities of NS equations are inertial and viscous terms

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \vec{u} \right) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\mu(\vec{e}) \nabla \vec{u}) + \vec{S}_M$$

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\vec{u} \vec{u}) - \vec{u} \nabla \cdot \vec{u} \right) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\mu(\vec{e}) \nabla \vec{u}) + \vec{S}_M$$

for incompressible fluids the equivalent **conservative form**

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\vec{u} \vec{u}) \right) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\mu(\vec{e}) \nabla \vec{u}) + \vec{S}_M$$

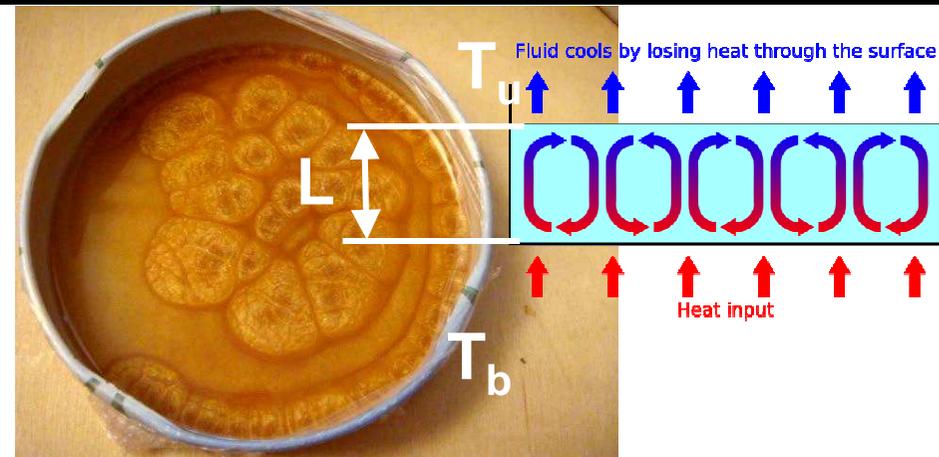
The convection term is a quadratic function of velocities – source of nonlinearities and turbulent phenomena

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Instabilities Rayleigh Benard convection

Horizontal liquid layer heated from below is in still (viscous forces attenuate small disturbances) until the buoyancy exceeds a critical level Ra_L . Then the more or less regular cells with circulating fluid are formed.

$$Ra_L = \frac{g\beta}{\nu\alpha}(T_u - T_b)L^3 > 1100$$



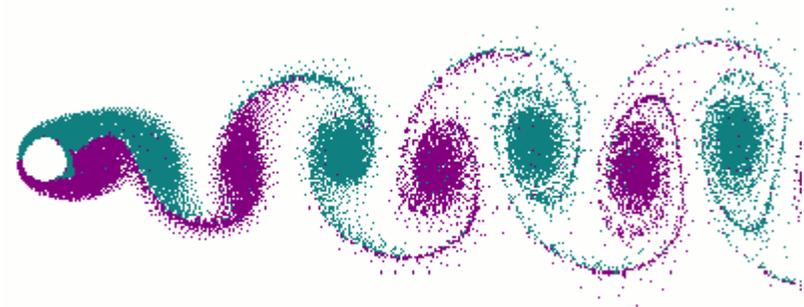
Even if the stability limit was exceeded the flow pattern is steady and remains laminar. At this stage the nonlinear convective term is not so important. Only if $Ra_L > 10^9$ (approximately) eddies start to be chaotic, velocity fluctuates and the flow is turbulent.

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Instabilities Karman vortex street

Repeating pattern of swirling vortices caused by the unsteady separation of flow of a fluid over bluff bodies. A vortex street will only be observed above a limiting Re value of about 90.

$$\frac{fd}{V} = 0.198 \left(1 - \frac{19.7}{Re} \right)$$



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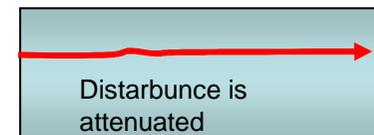
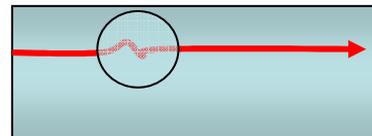
Turbulence

Relative magnitude of inertial and viscous terms is [Reynolds number](#)

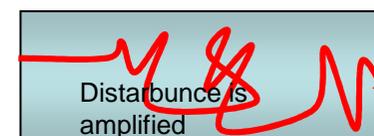
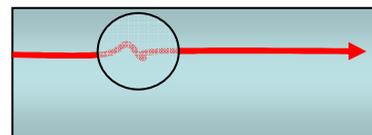
$$\text{Re} = \frac{\rho \nabla \cdot (\vec{u} \vec{u})}{\mu \nabla^2 \vec{u}} = \frac{\rho u D}{\mu}$$

Increasing Re increases nonlinearity of NS equations. This nonlinearity leads to sensitivity of NS solution to flow disturbances.

Laminar flow: $\text{Re} < \text{Re}_{\text{crit}}$



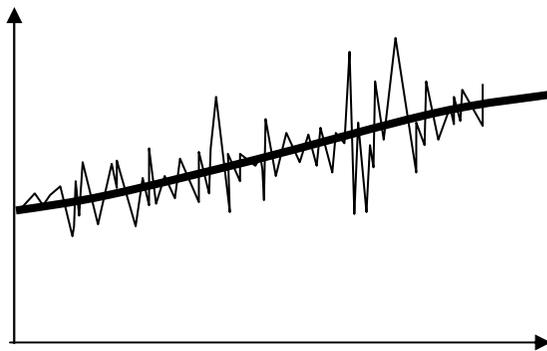
Turbulent flow: $\text{Re} > \text{Re}_{\text{crit}}$



Turbulence - fluctuations

Turbulence can be defined as a deterministic chaos. Velocity and pressure fields are NON-STATIONARY (du/dt is nonzero) even if flowrate and boundary conditions are constant. Trajectory of individual particles are extremely sensitive to initial conditions (even the particles that are very close at some moment diverge apart during time evolution).

Velocities, pressures, temperatures... are still solutions of NS and energy equations, however they are nonstationary and form chaotically oscillating vortices (eddies). Time and spatial profiles of transported properties are characterized by fluctuations



$$u = \bar{u} + u'$$

Actual value
at given time
and space

Mean
value

fluctuation

Turbulence - fluctuations

Statistics of turbulent fluctuations

➤ Mean values $\bar{u}, \bar{p}, \bar{\rho}, \bar{T}$ (remark: mean values of fluctuations are zero)

➤ rms (root mean square) $\sqrt{\overline{u'^2}}$

➤ Kinetic energy of turbulence $k = \frac{1}{2}(\overline{u'^2} + \overline{v'^2} + \overline{w'^2})$

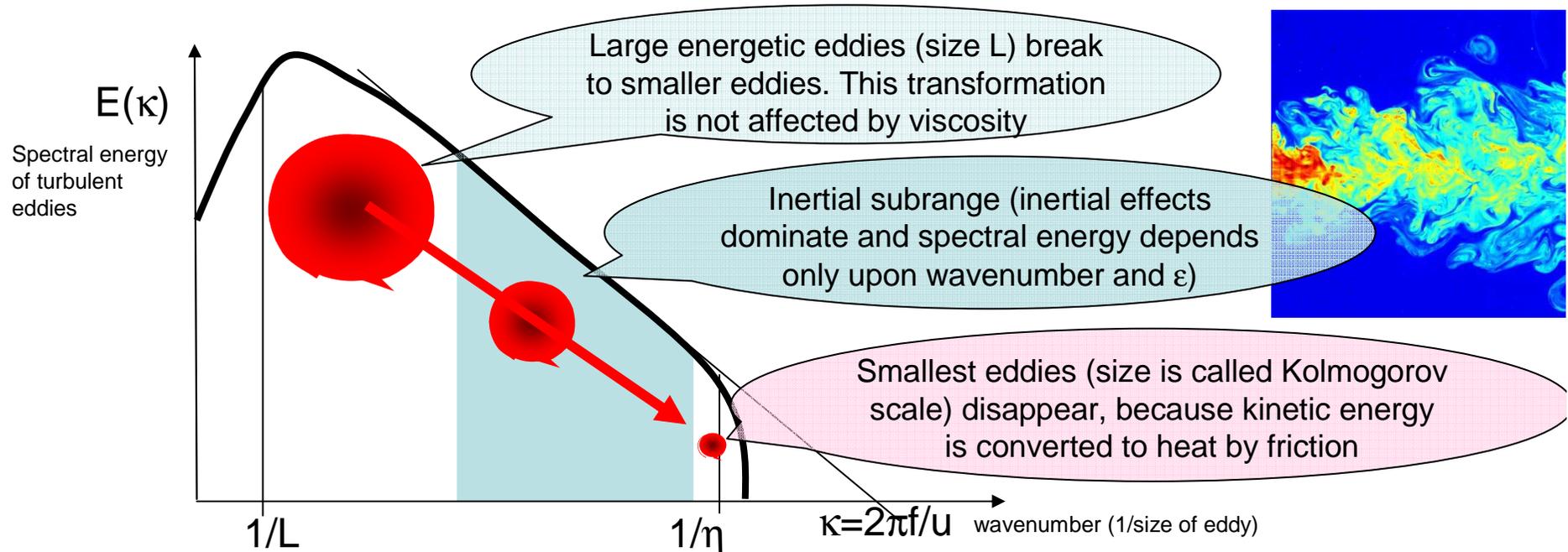
➤ Intensity of turbulence $I = \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}k}\right) / \bar{u}$

➤ Reynolds stresses $\tau_{t,xx} = \rho \overline{u'^2}$, $\tau_{t,yy} = \rho \overline{v'^2}$, $\tau_{t,zz} = \rho \overline{w'^2}$, $\tau_{t,xy} = \rho \overline{u'v'}$, $\tau_{t,xz} = \rho \overline{u'w'}$

Turbulent eddies - scales

Kinetic energy of turbulent fluctuations is the sum of energies of turbulent eddies of different sizes

$$k = \frac{1}{2} \overline{u'_i u'_i} = \int_0^{\infty} E(\kappa) d\kappa$$



Typical values of frequency $f \sim 10$ kHz, Kolmogorov scale $\eta \sim 0.01$ up to 0.1 mm

Kolmogorov scale η decreases with the increasing Re

Turbulent eddies - scales

Kolmogorov scales (the smallest turbulent eddies) follow from dimensional analysis, assuming that everything depends only upon the kinematic viscosity ν and upon the rate of energy supply ε in the energetic cascade (only for small isotropic eddies, of course)

$$\eta = \sqrt[4]{\frac{\nu^3}{\varepsilon}}$$

Length scale

$$\tau = \sqrt{\frac{\nu}{\varepsilon}}$$

Time scale

$$u = \sqrt[4]{\nu \varepsilon}$$

velocity scale

These expressions follow from dimension of viscosity ν [m^2/s] and the rate of energy dissipation ε [m^2/s^3]

$$\eta = \nu^\alpha \varepsilon^\beta$$

$$[m] = \left[\frac{m^{2\alpha}}{s^\alpha} \right] \left[\frac{m^{2\beta}}{s^{3\beta}} \right] = \left[\frac{m^{2\alpha+2\beta}}{s^{\alpha+3\beta}} \right]$$

$$1 = 2\alpha + 2\beta$$

$$0 = \alpha + 3\beta$$

$$\alpha = 3/4$$

$$\beta = -1/4$$

Example tutorial

Derive time scale of the smallest turbulent eddies

$$\tau = \sqrt{\frac{\nu}{\varepsilon}}$$

Time scale

$$\tau = \nu^\alpha \varepsilon^\beta$$

$$[s] = \left[\frac{m^{2\alpha}}{s^\alpha} \right] \left[\frac{m^{2\beta}}{s^{3\beta}} \right] = \left[\frac{m^{2\alpha+2\beta}}{s^{\alpha+3\beta}} \right]$$

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Turbulent eddies - scales

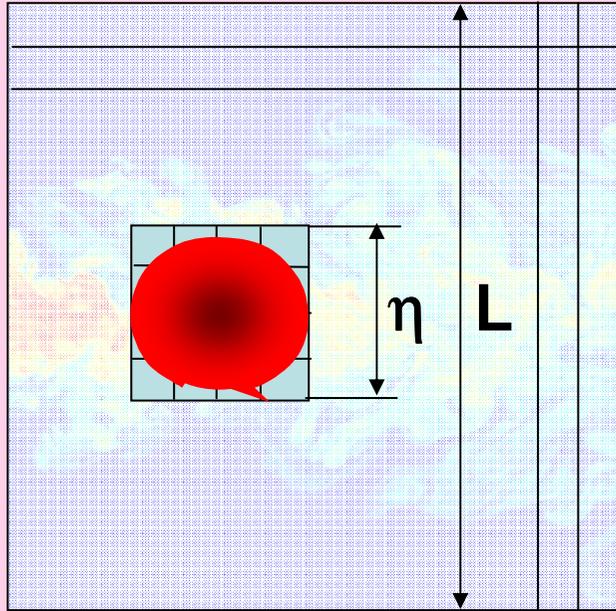
Wikipedia (abbreviated)

Turbulent flow is composed by "eddies" of different sizes. The sizes define a characteristic **length scale** for the eddies, which are also characterized by **velocity scales** and **time scales** (turnover time) dependent on the length scale. The large eddies are unstable and break up originating smaller eddies, and the kinetic energy of the initial large eddy is divided into the smaller eddies that stemmed from it. The energy is passed down from the large scales of the motion to smaller scales until reaching a sufficiently small length scale such that the viscosity of the fluid can effectively dissipate the kinetic energy into internal energy.

In his original theory of 1941, [Kolmogorov](#) postulated that for very high [Reynolds number](#), the small scale turbulent motions are statistically isotropic. In general, the large scales of a flow are not isotropic, since they are determined by the particular geometrical features of the boundaries (the size characterizing the large scales will be denoted as L).

Kolmogorov introduced a hypothesis: for very high Reynolds numbers the statistics of small scales are universally and uniquely determined by the kinematic viscosity (ν) and the rate of energy dissipation (ε). With only these two parameters, the unique length that can be formed by dimensional analysis is $\eta = (\nu^3/\varepsilon)^{1/4}$

DNS Direct Numerical Simulation



In order to resolve all details of turbulent structures it is necessary to use mesh with grid size less than the size of the smallest (Kolmogorov) eddies. N-grid points in one direction should be

$$N > \frac{L}{\eta}$$

$$\varepsilon \approx \frac{u^3}{L} \quad (\text{based upon dimensional ground})$$

$$N^3 > \frac{L^3}{\eta^3} = \frac{L^3 \varepsilon^{3/4}}{\nu^{9/4}} = \frac{L^3 u^{9/4}}{\nu^{9/4} L^{3/4}} = \left(\frac{Lu}{\nu}\right)^{9/4} = \text{Re}_\tau^{9/4}$$

Velocity scale u in previous expression is related to magnitude of turbulent fluctuations (rms of u' , or \sqrt{k}). The Re_τ related to the velocity fluctuation is called turbulent Reynolds number.

$\text{Re} = \frac{\bar{u}L}{\nu}$	$\text{Re}_\tau = \frac{uL}{\nu}$	No. of grid points in DNS	No. of time steps
12300	380	6.7 M	32 k
30800	800	40 M	47 k
61600	1450	150 M	63 k
230000	4650	2100 M	114 k

Table concerns DNS modelling of channel flow experiments (rewritten from Wilcox: Turbulence modelling, chapter 8).

$$N_{DNS} \sim \text{Re}_\tau^{9/4}$$

$$N_{time_steps} \sim \text{Re}_\tau^{3/4}$$

Remark: $\text{Re} \sim 10^6$ or 10^7 at flow around a car or flow around wings

DNS Direct Numerical Simulation

Direct numerical simulation of transition and turbulence in compressible mixing layer

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Abstract The three-dimensional compressible Navier-Stokes equations are approximated by a fifth order upwind compact and a sixth order symmetrical compact difference relations combined with threestage Ronge-Kutta method. The computed results are presented for convective Mach number $Mc = 0.8$ and $Re = 200$ with initial data which have equal and opposite oblique waves. From the computed results we can see the variation of coherent structures with time integration and full process of instability, formation of A -vortices, double horseshoe vortices and mushroom structures. The large structures break into small and smaller vortex structures. Finally, the movement of small structure becomes dominant, and flow field turns into turbulence. It is noted that production of small vortex structures is combined with turning of symmetrical structures to unsymmetrical ones. It is shown in the present computation that the flow field turns into turbulence directly from initial instability and there is not vortex pairing in process of transition. It means that for large convective Mach number the transition mechanism for compressible mixing layer differs from that in incompressible mixing layer.

DNS AND LES OF TURBULENT BACKWARD-FACING STEP

FLOW USING 2ND- AND 4TH-ORDER DISCRETIZATION

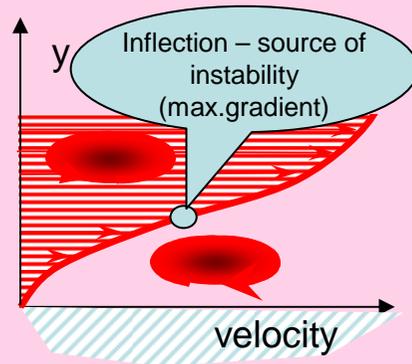
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Abstract. Results are presented from a Direct Numerical Simulation (DNS) and Large-Eddy Simulations (LES) of turbulent flow over a backward-facing step with a fully developed channel flow utilized as a time-dependent inflow condition. Numerical solutions using a fourth-order compact (Hermitian) scheme, which was formulated directly for a non-equidistant and staggered grid in [1] are compared with numerical solutions using the classical second-order central scheme. The results from LES (using the dynamic subgrid scale model) are evaluated against a corresponding DNS reference data set (fourth-order solution).

Transition Laminar-Turbulent

Hydrodynamic instability due to prevailing inertial forces (convection term in NS equations) is the cause of turbulence.

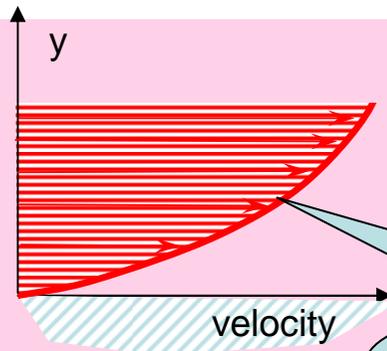
➤ Inviscid instabilities



characterised by existence of inflection point of velocity profile

- jets
- wakes
- boundary layers with adverse pressure gradient $\Delta p > 0$

➤ Viscous instabilities



Linear eigenvalues analysis ([Orr-Sommerfeld](#) equations)

- channels, simple shear flows (pipes)
- boundary layers with $\Delta p > 0$

There is **no** inflection of velocity profile in a pipe, however turbulent regime exists if $Re > 2100$

Poiseuille flow ~ 5700
Couette flow – stable?

Transition Laminar-Turbulent

How to indentify whether the flow is laminar or turbulent ?

➤ Experimentally

Visualization, hot wire anemometers, LDA (Laser Doppler Anemometry).

➤ Numerical experiments

Start numerical simulation selected to unsteady laminar flow. As soon as the solution converges to steady solution for sufficiently fine grid the flow regime is probably laminar

➤ Re_{crit}

According to value of Reynolds number using literature data of critical Reynolds number

Transition Laminar-Turbulent

Stability analysis

Momentum equation for disturbance

Linear stability analysis

$$\rho \left[\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right] = - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}^{(v)}}{\partial x_j} - \rho \left[u_j \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} \right] - \left\{ u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} - \rho \left\langle u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle \right\}$$

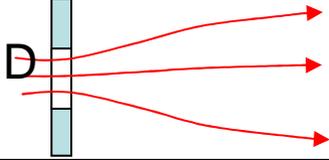
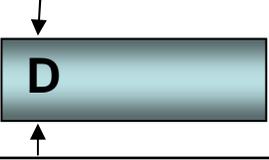
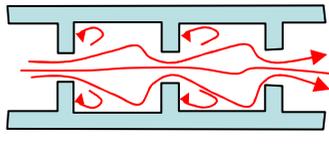
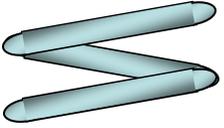
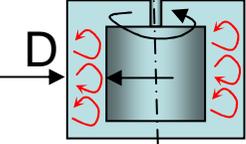
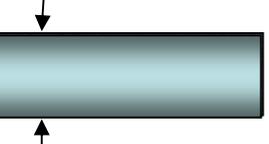
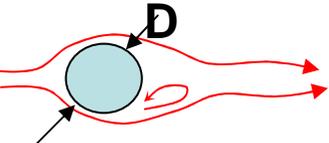
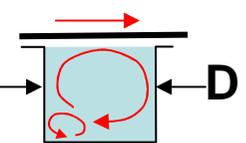
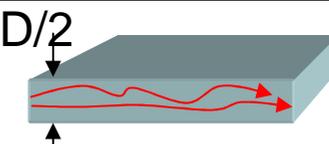
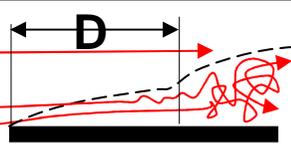
Velocity
disturbance

Mean
(undisturbed)
flow

Production (extracting
energy from the mean
flow to fluctuations)

linear stability theory can predict *when* many flows become *unstable*, it can say very little about *transition to turbulence* since this progress is highly non-linear

Transition Laminar-Turbulent

	Geometry	Re_{crit}		Geometry	Re_{crit}
Jets		5-10	Circ.pipe		2000
Baffled channels		100	Coiled pipe		5000
<u>Couette</u> flow		300	Suspension in pipe		7000
Cross flow		400	Cavity		8000
Planar channel		1000	Plate		500000

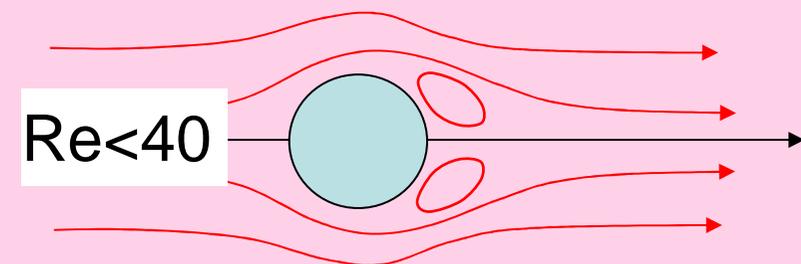
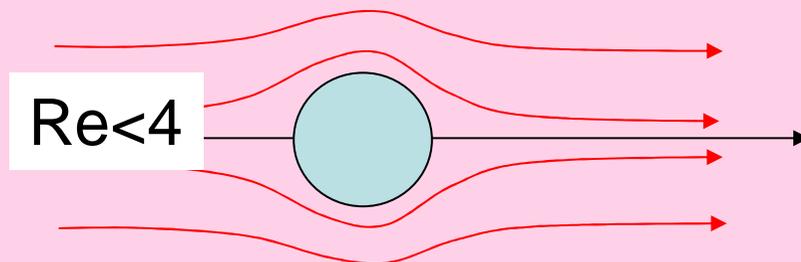
Turbulent structures evolution

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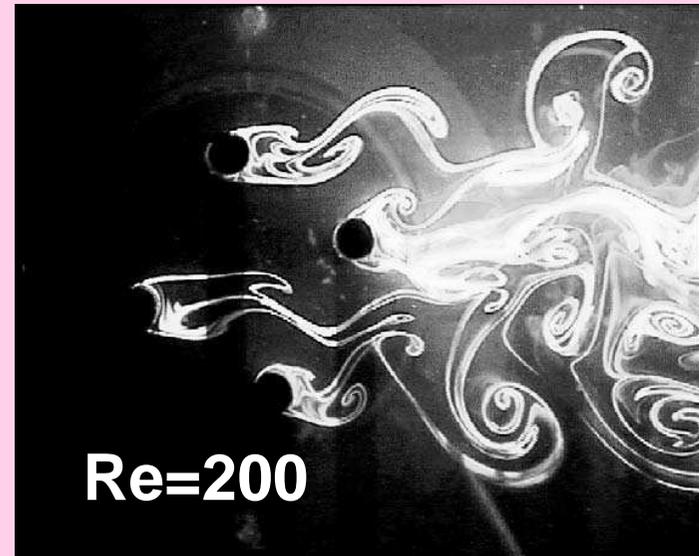
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Force coefficients and Strouhal numbers of
four cylinders in cross flow

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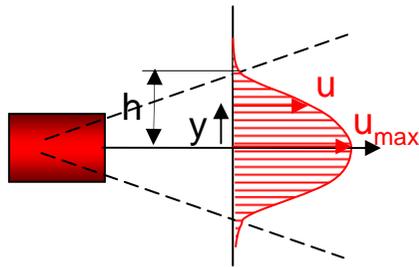
Re < 200 2D von Karman vortex street



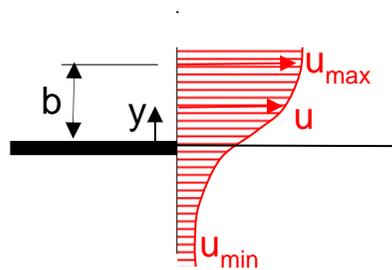
Fully developed turbulent flows

Free flows (self preserving flows)

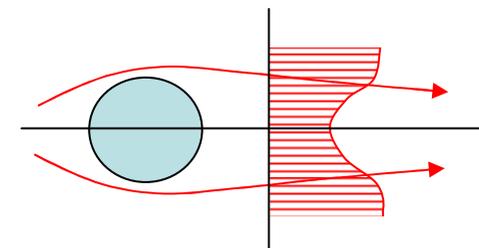
Jets



Mixing layers



Wakes



$$\frac{u}{u_{\max}} = f\left(\frac{y}{h}\right)$$

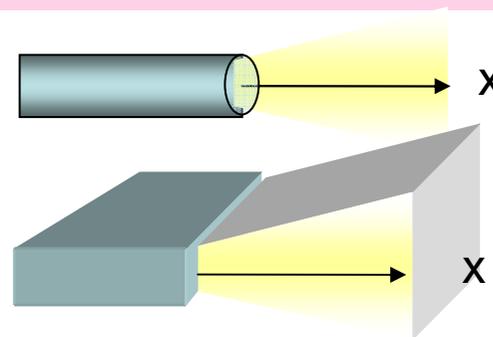
$$\frac{u - u_{\min}}{u_{\max} - u_{\min}} = g\left(\frac{y}{b}\right)$$

Jet thickness $\sim x$, mixing length $\sim x$

see Goertler, Abramovic Teorieja turbulentnych struj, Moskva 1984.

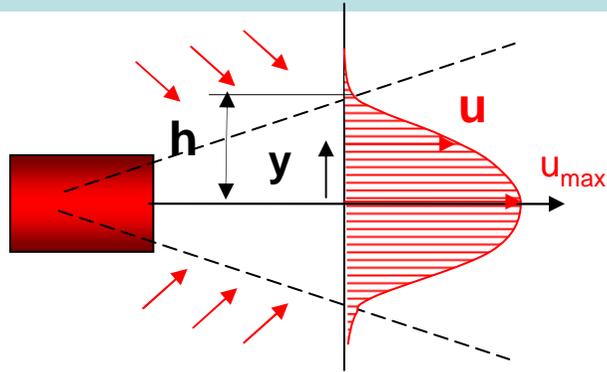
Circular jet $u_{\max} = \frac{\text{const}}{x}$

Planar jet $u_{\max} = \frac{\text{const}}{\sqrt{x}}$



Example - tutorial

Entrainment in jets (increase of volumetric flowrate)



$$\frac{u}{u_{\max}} = f\left(\frac{y}{h}\right)$$

Planar jet

$$\dot{V}(x) = \int_0^h u_{\max}(x) f\left(\frac{y}{h}\right) dy = h(x) u_{\max}(x) \int_0^1 f(\eta) d\eta = h(x) u_{\max}(x) F_{\text{planar}} = c\sqrt{x}$$

~x
~1/√x

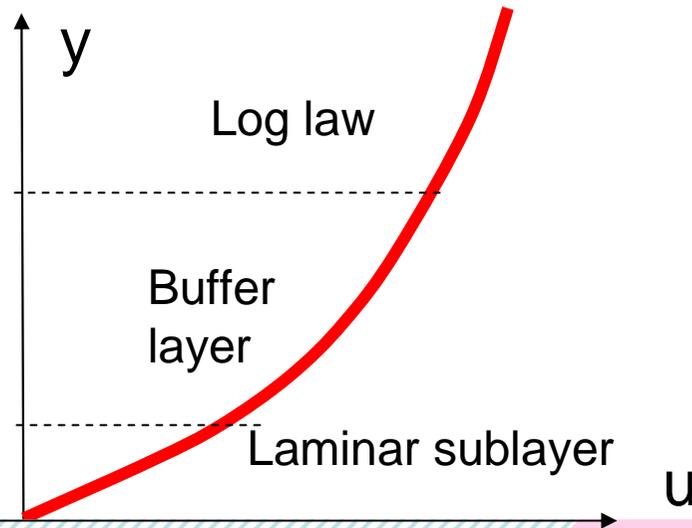
Circular jet

$$\dot{V}(x) = 2\pi \int_0^h u_{\max}(x) f\left(\frac{y}{h}\right) y dy = h^2(x) u_{\max}(x) \int_0^1 \eta f(\eta) d\eta = h^2(x) u_{\max}(x) F_{\text{circ}} = cx$$

~1/x

Fully developed turbulent flows

Flow at walls (boundary layers)



Friction velocity

$$u^* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_w}{\rho}}$$

$$u^+ = \frac{u}{u^*}$$

$$y^+ = \frac{y u^* \rho}{\mu}$$

INNER layer
(independent of
bulk velocities)

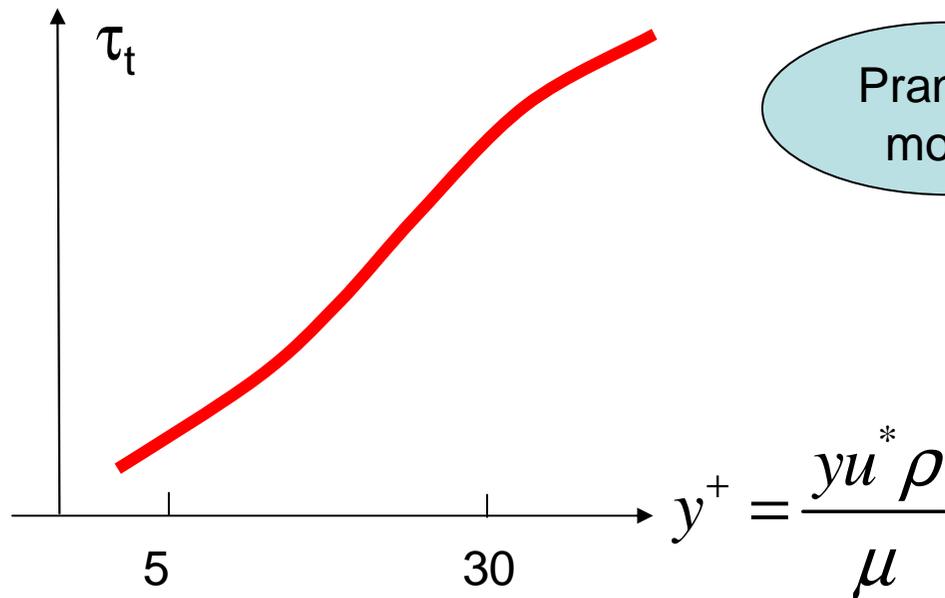
laminar	$y^+ < 5$	$u^+ = y^+$
buffer	$5 < y^+ < 30$	$u^+ = -3 + 5 \ln y^+$
Log law	$30 < y^+ < 500$	$u^+ = \ln E y^+ / \kappa$

OUTER layer
(law of wake)

$$\frac{u_{\max} - u}{u^*} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + A$$

Fully developed turbulent flows

Flow at walls (turbulent stresses)



Prandtl's
model

$$\tau_t = \rho l_m^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2$$

$$l_m = \kappa y \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{y^+}{26}\right) \right]$$

vanDriest model of
mixing length l_m

$$\tau_t = \rho \overline{u'v'} = 24 \kappa^2 \tau_w \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{y^+}{26}\right) \right]^2$$

Example tutorial

Calculate thickness of laminar sublayer at flow of water in pipe (D=2 cm) at flowrate 1 l/s.

$$\text{Re} = \frac{4\dot{V}\rho}{\pi D\mu} = \frac{4 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 1000}{\pi \cdot 0.02 \cdot 10^{-3}} = 63662$$

Turbulent region, well within validity of Blasius correlation

Wall shear stress from Blasius

$$\tau_w = \frac{1}{8} \lambda \rho u^2 = 2\lambda \rho \frac{\dot{V}^2}{\pi^2 D^4} = 2\rho \frac{0.316\dot{V}^2}{\sqrt[4]{\text{Re}\pi^2 D^4}} = 25.2[\text{Pa}]$$

Friction velocity

$$u^* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_w}{\rho}} = \frac{\sqrt{0.632}\dot{V}}{\sqrt[8]{\text{Re}\pi D^2}} = 0.159[\text{m/s}]$$

$$5 = \frac{yu^* \rho}{\mu}$$

$$y = \frac{5\mu \pi D^2 \sqrt[8]{\text{Re}}}{\rho \dot{V} \sqrt{0.632}} = \frac{0.005 \pi 0.02^2 \sqrt[8]{63662}}{1000 \cdot 0.001 \sqrt{0.632}} = \frac{\pi \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{-8} \sqrt[8]{63662}}{\sqrt{0.632}} = 0.31 \mu\text{m}$$

Dimensionless thickness of laminar sublayer

TIME AVERAGING of turbulent fluctuations

RANS (Reynolds Averaging of Navier Stokes eqs.)

Time
average

$$\bar{\Phi} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_t^{t+\Delta t} \Phi(t) dt$$

$$\Phi = \bar{\Phi} + \Phi'$$

Favre's
average

$$\tilde{\Phi} = \frac{\int_t^{t+\Delta t} \rho \Phi(t) dt}{\int_t^{t+\Delta t} \rho dt}$$

$$\Phi = \tilde{\Phi} + \Phi''$$

$$\tilde{\Phi} = \bar{\Phi} + \frac{\overline{\rho' \Phi'}}{\bar{\rho}}$$

Proof: $\overline{(\bar{\rho} + \rho')(\bar{\Phi} + \Phi')} = \bar{\rho} \bar{\Phi} + \overline{\rho' \Phi'}$

Remark: Favre's average differs only for compressible substances and at high Mach number flows. $Ma > 1$

TIME AVERAGING of turbulent fluctuations

Trivial facts

➤ Averaged value of fluctuation is zero $\overline{\Phi'} = 0$

➤ Average value of gradient of fluctuations is zero $\overline{\frac{\partial \Phi'}{\partial x}} = 0$

➤ Average value of product is not the product of averaged values

$$\overline{uv} = \bar{u} \bar{v} + \overline{u'v'}$$

$$\overline{\nabla \cdot (\vec{u}\vec{v})} = \nabla \cdot (\bar{\vec{u}} \bar{\vec{v}}) + \nabla \cdot (\overline{\vec{u}'\vec{v}'})$$

TIME AVERAGING of NS equations

Continuity equation

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = 0 \quad \overline{\nabla \cdot \vec{u}} = 0 \rightarrow \nabla \cdot \vec{\bar{u}} = 0$$

Navier Stokes equations

$$\overline{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho \vec{u})} + \overline{\nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{u} \vec{u})} = -\overline{\nabla p} + \overline{\nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \vec{u})}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho \vec{\bar{u}}) + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{\bar{u}} \vec{\bar{u}}) = -\nabla \bar{p} + \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \vec{\bar{u}}) - \nabla \cdot (\overline{\rho \vec{u}' \vec{u}'})$$

Reynolds stresses

$$\vec{\tau}_t = -\rho \overline{\vec{u}' \vec{u}'}$$

TIME AVERAGING of transport equations

$$\overline{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho\Phi)} + \overline{\nabla \cdot (\rho\Phi\vec{u})} = \overline{\nabla \cdot (\Gamma\nabla\Phi)}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho\bar{\Phi}) + \nabla \cdot (\rho\bar{\vec{u}}\bar{\Phi}) = \nabla \cdot (\Gamma\nabla\bar{\Phi}) - \nabla \cdot (\rho\overline{\Phi'\vec{u}'})$$

Turbulent fluxes

$$\vec{q}_t = -\rho\overline{\Phi'\vec{u}'}$$

Boussinesq hypothesis

Turbulent fluxes and turbulent stresses are defined by the same constitutive equations as in laminar flows, just only replacing diffusion coefficients and viscosity by turbulent transport coefficients.

Boussinesq hypothesis

Analogy to Fourier law
 $\vec{q} = -\lambda \nabla T$

$$\overline{\rho \Phi' \vec{u}'} = -\Gamma_t \nabla \bar{\Phi}$$

$$\overline{\rho \Phi' u_i'} = -\Gamma_t \frac{\partial \bar{\Phi}}{\partial x_i}$$

Analogy to Newton's law
 $\vec{\tau} = \mu (\nabla \vec{u} + (\nabla \vec{u})^T)$

$$\overline{\rho \vec{u}' \vec{u}'} = -\mu_t (\nabla \bar{\vec{u}} + (\nabla \bar{\vec{u}})^T)$$

$$\overline{\rho u_i' u_j'} = -\mu_t \left(\frac{\partial \bar{u}_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

$$\vec{\tau}_t = 2\mu_t \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \bar{\vec{u}} + (\nabla \bar{\vec{u}})^T)$$

Rate of deformation
 based upon gradient
 of averaged velocities

TRANSPORT coefficients-analogy

It is assumed that the rate of turbulent transport based upon migration of turbulent eddies is the same for momentum, mass and energy, therefore all transport coefficients should be almost the same

$$\frac{\mu_t}{\Gamma_t} = \sigma_t$$

Prandtl number for turbulent heat transfer
Schmidt number for turbulent mass transfer

$\sigma_t=0.9$ at walls

$\sigma_t=0.5$ for jets

according to Rodi

Turbulent viscosity models

Turbulent viscosity is not a material parameter. It depends upon the actual velocity field and fluctuations at current point x,y,z . There exist different RANS models for turbulent viscosity prediction

- Algebraic models (not reflecting transport of eddies)
- 1 equation models (transport equation for turbulent viscosity)
- 2 equations models (viscosity derived from transport equations of other characteristics of turbulent eddies)
- Nonlinear eddy viscosity models (v2-f)
- RSM Reynolds Stress Modelling (transport equations for components of reynolds stresses)

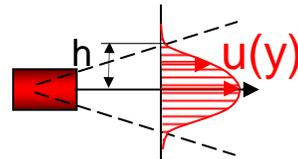
Algebraic models

Prandtl's model of mixing length. Turbulent viscosity is derived from analogy with gases, based upon transport of momentum by molecules (kinetic theory of gases). Turbulent eddy (driven by main flow) represents a molecule, and mean path between collisions of molecules is substituted by mixing length.

Excellent model for jets, wakes, boundary layer flows. Disadvantage: fails in recirculating flows (or in flows where transport of eddies is very important).

$$\mu_t = \rho l_m^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

Mixing length

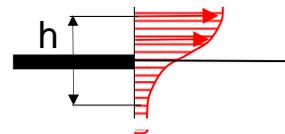


$$l_m = 0.075h$$

Circular jet

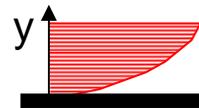
$$l_m = 0.09h$$

Planar jet



$$l_m = 0.07h$$

Mixing layers



$$l_m = \kappa y \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{y^+}{26}\right) \right]$$

Currently used algebraic models are [Baldwin Lomax](#), and [Cebecci Smith](#)

2 equations models

Two equation models calculate turbulent viscosity from the pairs of turbulent characteristics **k- ϵ** , or **k- ω** , or **k-l** (Rotta 1986)

k (kinetic energy of turbulent fluctuations) [m²/s²]

ϵ (dissipation of kinetic energy) $\epsilon \sim u^3 / l$ [m²/s³]

ω (specific dissipation energy) [1/s]

$$\mu_t = \rho \frac{k}{\omega}$$

Wilcox (1998) k-omega model, Kolmogorov (1942)

$$\mu_t = \rho C_\mu \frac{k^2}{\epsilon}$$

Jones,Lauder (1972), Launder Spalding (1974)
k-epsilon model

$C_\mu = 0.09$ (Fluent-default)

Tutorial 2 equations models

Derive relationship for turbulent viscosity

$$\mu_t = \rho C_\mu \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon}$$

Launder Spalding k-epsilon model

$$\mu = \rho^\alpha \varepsilon^\beta k^\gamma$$

$$[Pa \cdot s = \frac{Ns}{m^2} = \frac{kg}{ms}] = \left[\frac{kg^\alpha}{m^{3\alpha}} \right] \left[\frac{m^{2\beta}}{s^{3\beta}} \right] \left[\frac{m^{2\gamma}}{s^{2\gamma}} \right] = \left[\frac{kg^\alpha m^{2\gamma+2\beta-3\alpha}}{s^{2\gamma+3\beta}} \right]$$

$$1 = \alpha$$

$$-1 = 2\gamma + 2\beta - 3$$

$$1 = 2\gamma + 3\beta$$

$$\alpha = 1$$

$$\beta = -1$$

$$\gamma = 2$$

k – transport equation

All two equation models (and also Prandtl's one equation model) are based upon transport equation for the kinetic energy of turbulence

$$k = \frac{1}{2} \overline{u_i' u_i'} = \frac{1}{2} (\overline{u'^2} + \overline{v'^2} + \overline{w'^2})$$

Transport equation for k is derived in a similar way like the transport equation of mechanical energy by multiplying NS equation by vector of velocities (unlike mechanical energy only by the vector of velocity fluctuations)

$$\overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \frac{\partial \rho \vec{u}}{\partial t}} + \overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{u} \vec{u})} = -\overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \nabla p} + \overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \vec{u})}$$

$$\overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \frac{\partial \rho \vec{u}}{\partial t}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\rho \frac{1}{2} \overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \vec{u}'} \right) = \frac{\partial \rho k}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho k}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho k \vec{u}) = \nabla \cdot \left(\overline{-p' \vec{u}'} \right) + \overline{2\mu \vec{u}' \cdot \vec{e}'} - \frac{\rho}{2} \overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \vec{u}' \vec{u}'} - \overline{2\mu \vec{e}' : \vec{e}'} - \overline{\rho \vec{u}' \vec{u}' : \vec{E}}$$

Transport of pressure
(p')
viscous stress
(2μe')
reynolds stress
(ρu'u')
rate of dissipation
turbul.production

k – transport equation

Dispersion terms (viscous and reynolds stresses) and production term can be expressed using turbulent viscosity (Boussinesq)

$$\overline{\vec{u}'k'} \sim \mu_t \nabla k$$

Example: approximation of Reynolds stress transport term

$$\frac{\rho}{2} \overline{\vec{u}' \cdot \vec{u}' \vec{u}'} = \rho \overline{k' \vec{u}'} = \Gamma_k \nabla k$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho k}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho k \vec{u}) = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_k} \nabla k \right) + 2\mu_t \vec{E} : \vec{E} - 2\mu \overline{\vec{e}' : \vec{e}'}$$

$\sigma_k = 1$ Fluent

$-\rho \varepsilon$

Rate of dissipation of kinetic energy of velocity fluctuation

$$\varepsilon = \frac{2\mu}{\rho} \overline{\vec{e}' : \vec{e}'} = \frac{2\mu}{\rho} \overline{e_{ij}' e_{ij}'}$$

Laminar and not turbulent viscosity!

$$e_{ij}' = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_j'}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_i'}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

ε – transport equation

Transport equation for dissipation ε looks like the k-transport. Just substitute ε for k. Production and dissipation terms are modified by universal constants $C_{1\varepsilon}$ and $C_{2\varepsilon}$

Production term
(generator of turbulence)

Dissipation
term

$$\frac{\partial \rho \varepsilon}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \varepsilon \vec{u}) = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \nabla \varepsilon \right) + \left(C_{1\varepsilon} 2\mu_t \vec{E} : \vec{E} - C_{2\varepsilon} \rho \varepsilon \right) \frac{\varepsilon}{k}$$

This term follows from dimensional analysis

$$\left[\frac{\varepsilon}{k} \right] \equiv \left[\frac{1}{s} \right]$$

$$C_{1\varepsilon} = 1.44 \quad C_{2\varepsilon} = 1.92 \quad \sigma_\varepsilon = 1.3 \text{ Fluent (default)}$$

k-ε modifications (RNG, realizable)

Corrections of dispersion, production and dissipation terms with the aim to extend applicability of k-ε for **low Reynolds number** flows

$$\frac{\partial \rho k}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho k \vec{u}) = \nabla \cdot \left(\left(\mu + \frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_k} \right) \nabla k \right) + 2\mu_t \vec{E} : \vec{E} - \rho \varepsilon$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho \varepsilon}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \varepsilon \vec{u}) = \nabla \cdot \left(\left(\mu + \frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \right) \nabla \varepsilon \right) + (C_{1\varepsilon} f_1 2\mu_t \vec{E} : \vec{E} - C_{2\varepsilon} f_2 \rho \varepsilon) \frac{\varepsilon}{k}$$

Functions of turbulent

Reynolds $\text{Re}_t = \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon \nu} = \frac{\nu_t}{C_\mu \nu}$

CFD6

Effective viscosity (RNG)

Blending formula for effective viscosity

$$\mu_{ef} = \mu \left[1 + \sqrt{\frac{C_{\mu} \rho}{\mu} \frac{k}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}} \right]^2$$

$$k \rightarrow 0 \text{ (laminar)} \quad \mu_{ef} \rightarrow \mu$$

$$k \rightarrow \infty \text{ (high Re)} \quad \mu_{ef} \rightarrow \mu \frac{C_{\mu} \rho k^2}{\mu \varepsilon} = \mu_t$$

CFD6

ε - estimate

Dissipated energy in a mixing tank

$$F \sim \rho d^2 u^2 \sim \rho d^4 n^2$$

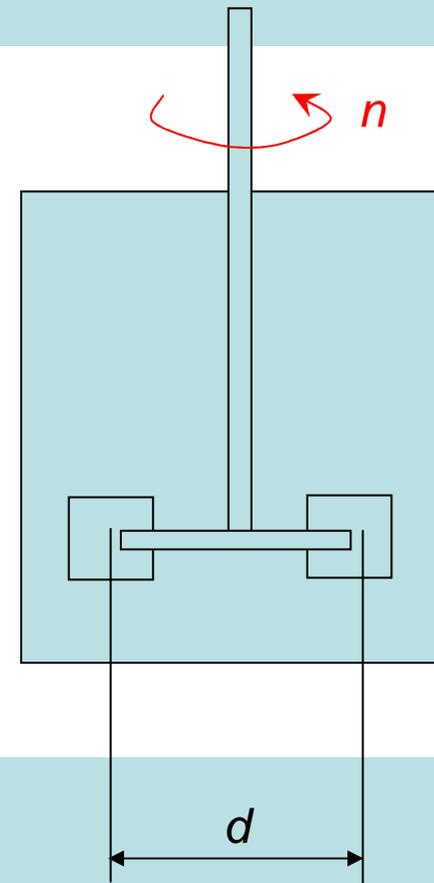
$$M_t = Fd \sim \rho d^5 n^2$$

$$P = M_t \omega \sim \rho d^5 n^3$$

Power number

$$Po = \frac{P}{\rho n^3 d^5} \approx 1$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{P}{d^3} = Po \rho n^3 d^2$$



k- ϵ boundary conditions

k and ϵ must be specified at inlets. Estimate of kinetic energy k is based either upon measurement (anemometers) or experience (from estimated intensity of turbulence I). Dissipation is estimated from correlations for power consumption estimates.

Values of k and ϵ at wall (must be also defined as boundary conditions) can be approximated by **wall functions**

$$k_w = \frac{u^{*2}}{\sqrt{C_\mu}}$$

Friction velocity $u^* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_w}{\rho}}$

$$\epsilon_w = \frac{u^{*3}}{K y}$$

Distance of the nearest boundary node from wall

This is implemented in majority of CFD programs

Reynolds stresses (k-ε)

Constitutive equation for Reynolds stresses must be modified with respect to isotropic pressure

$$\tau_{tij} = -\overline{\rho u_i' u_j'} = \mu_t \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) - \frac{2}{3} \rho k \delta_{ij}$$

$$-\overline{\rho u_i' u_i'} = -2\rho k = \mu_t \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right) - \frac{2}{3} \rho k \delta_{ii} = 2\mu_t \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right) - 2\rho k$$

Remark: Turbulent stresses determine kinetic energy of turbulent fluctuations

This term is zero for incompressible liquids

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = 0$$

Assesment of k- ϵ models

Problems and erroneous results can be expected

- Unconfined flows (wakes, jets). k- ϵ model overestimates dissipation, therefore jets are overdumped.
- Pressure transport term ($u'p'$) is neglected (errors in flows characterised by high pressure gradients)
- Curved boundaries or swirling flows
- Fully developed flows in noncircular ducts should be characterized by secondary flows due to anisotropy of normal Reynolds stresses (these features cannot be predicted by linear viscosity models)
- Problems in buoyancy driven flows

Discrepancies?

Special case: Steady unidirectional flow, constant density, homogeneous turbulence

$$\cancel{\frac{\partial \rho k}{\partial t}} + \cancel{\nabla \cdot (\rho k \vec{u})} = \cancel{\nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_k} \nabla k \right)} + 2\mu_t \vec{E} : \vec{E} - \rho \varepsilon$$

These terms are identically zero in homogeneous turbulence

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\mu_t}{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2$$

$$\cancel{\frac{\partial \rho \varepsilon}{\partial t}} + \cancel{\nabla \cdot (\rho \varepsilon \vec{u})} = \cancel{\nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \nabla \varepsilon \right)} + (C_{1\varepsilon} 2\mu_t \vec{E} : \vec{E} - C_{2\varepsilon} \rho \varepsilon) \frac{\varepsilon}{k}$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\mu_t}{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \frac{C_{2\varepsilon}}{C_{1\varepsilon}}$$

Further [reading](#)

$$C_{1\varepsilon} = 1.44 \quad C_{2\varepsilon} = 1.92 \quad \sigma_k = 1 \quad \sigma_\varepsilon = 1.3$$

Reynolds Stress Models (RSM)

$$R_{ij} = \overline{u_i' u_j'}$$

6 transport equations

$$\frac{DR_{ij}}{Dt} = P_{ij} + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\nu_t}{\sigma} \nabla R_{ij} \right) - \varepsilon_{ij} + \Pi_{ij} + \Omega_{ij}$$

production

diffusion

Dissipation

$$\frac{2}{3} \varepsilon \delta_{ij}$$

Pressure transport

Centrifugal forces

1 dissipation

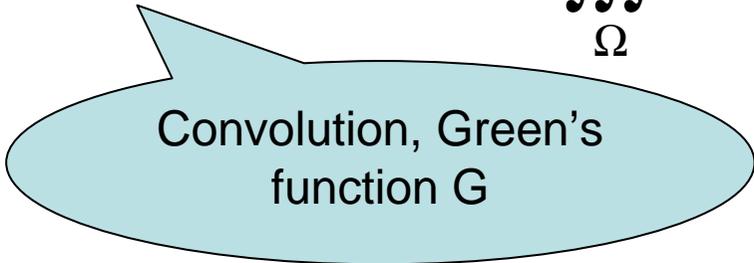
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Large Eddy Simulation (LES)

Instead of time averaging of NS equations, spatial fluctuation filtering of NS equations (only small eddies are removed, motion of large eddies is calculated).

Filter is realized by convolution integral

$$\bar{u}(x, t) = \iiint_{\Omega} G(x - \xi, \Delta) u(\xi, t) d\xi = \iiint_{\Omega} G(\xi, \Delta) u(x - \xi, t) d\xi$$

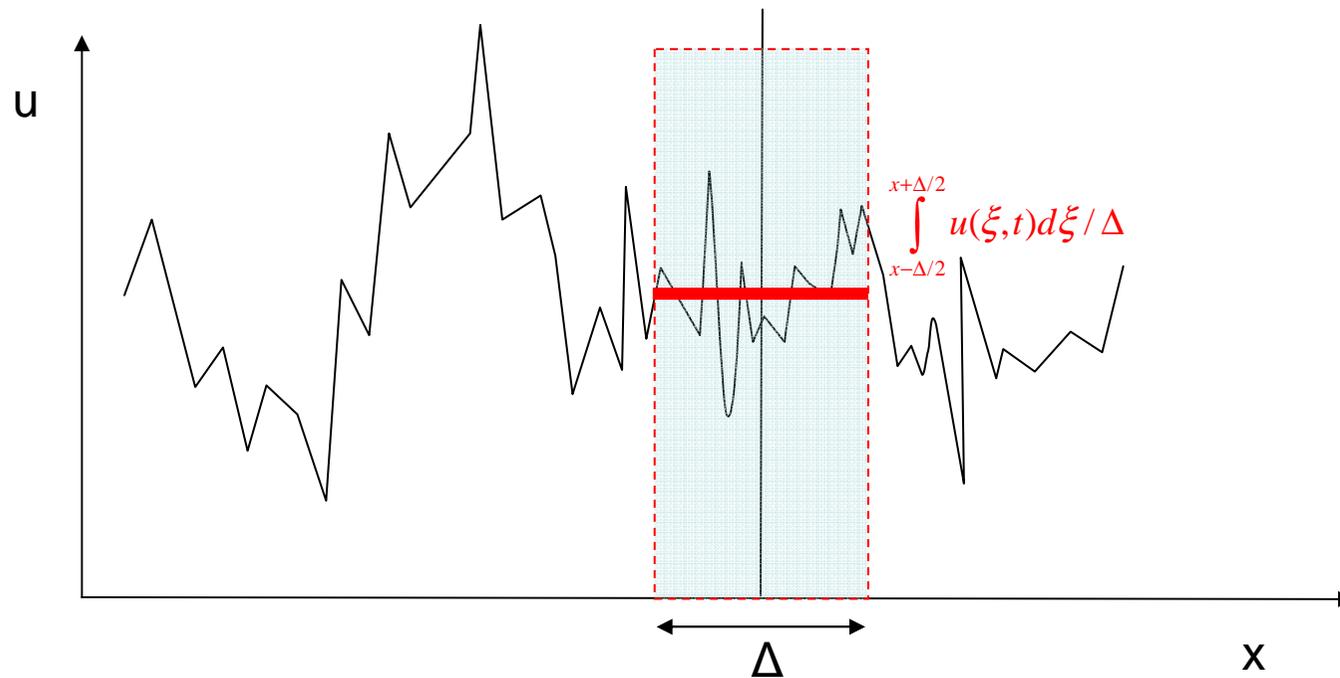


Convolution, Green's function G

LES G-function example

$$G(x-\xi, \Delta) = 1/\Delta^3 \quad \text{for } |x-\xi| < \Delta/2$$

$$G(x-\xi, \Delta) = 0 \quad \text{for } |x-\xi| \geq \Delta/2$$



LES filtering - properties

$$\overline{\quad} = \quad$$
$$u \neq \bar{u}$$

Basic difference in comparison with time averaging

$$\frac{\partial \overline{u}}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \iiint G(\xi) u(x - \xi, t) d\xi$$

LES NS equations

Continuity equation
without changes

$$\frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \overline{(u_i u_j)} \right) = - \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial x_i} + \mu \frac{\partial^2 \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_k \partial x_k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{u_i u_j} &= \overline{(\bar{u}_i + u_i')(\bar{u}_j + u_j')} = \overline{\bar{u}_i \bar{u}_j} + \overline{\bar{u}_i u_j'} + \overline{u_i' \bar{u}_j} + \overline{u_i' u_j'} = \\ &= \bar{u}_i \bar{u}_j + \overline{\bar{u}_i \bar{u}_j - \bar{u}_i \bar{u}_j} + \overline{\bar{u}_i u_j' + u_i' \bar{u}_j} + \overline{u_i' u_j'} \end{aligned}$$

L_{ij} Leonard
stresses

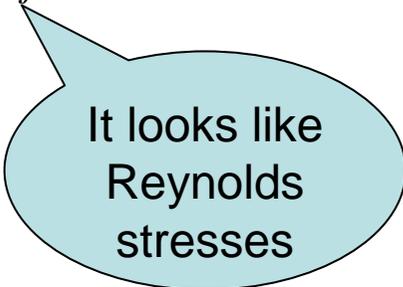
C_{ij} cross
stresses

R_{ij} SGS (sub
grid stresses)

LES NS equations

Leonard stresses are usually neglected because they are of the second order – almost the same as discretisation error. Cross and subgrid stresses are usually modeled together using turbulent viscosity approach.

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\bar{u}_i \bar{u}_j) \right) = - \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\mu \frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \tau_{ij} \right)$$



It looks like Reynolds stresses

LES Smagorinski SGS

Smagorinski model of subgrid stresses is almost the same as the Prandtl's model of mixing length, only instead of the mixing length is substituted a filter size.

$$\tau_{ij} = 2\mu_T E_{ij}$$

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

$$\mu_T = \rho (C_s \Delta)^2 \sqrt{\vec{E} : \vec{E}}$$