

LES.1 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Direct numerical simulation, reprise (Pope, 2000)

DNS involves solving unsteady NS resolving *all* scales of motion

homogeneous turbulence $\Rightarrow$ periodic BCs

pseudo-spectral CFD

κ -space solution process

Fourier transforms

in homogeneous turbulence $\Rightarrow$ non-periodic BCs, near-wall resolution

Fourier transforms not useable

Homogeneous turbulence, pseudo-spectral CFD

Ω is a cube of measure l

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) \equiv \sum_{\kappa} e^{i\kappa \cdot \mathbf{x}} \hat{\mathbf{u}}(\kappa, t)$$

wave number resolution for N^3 modes

$$\kappa_0 = 2\pi/l, \kappa_{\max} = \pi N/l$$

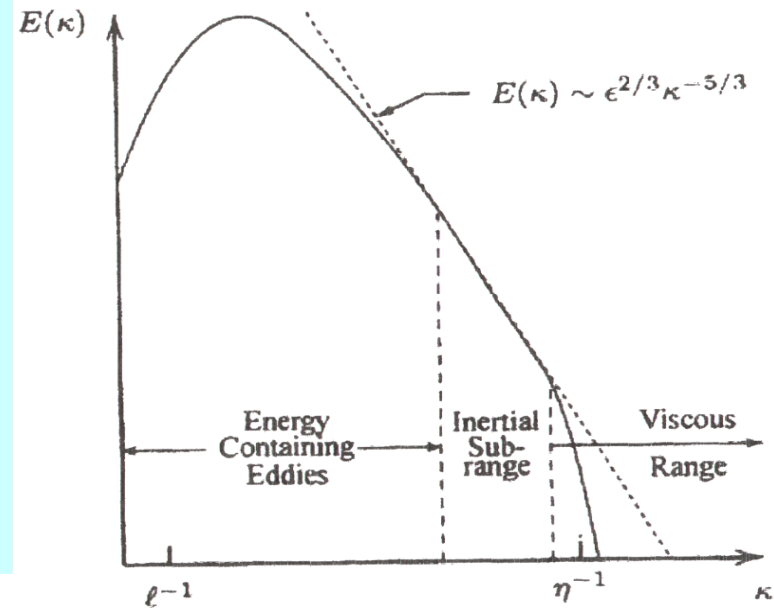
equivalent physical space resolution

$$\Delta x = l/N = \pi/\kappa_{\max}$$

pseudo-spectral transports non-linear NS terms

physical $\Leftrightarrow$ wave number space

99% effort goes to dissipation range resolution



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Homogeneous turbulence, pseudo-spectral resolution requirements

smallest scale of motion is Kolmogorov scale η

adequate resolution : $\kappa_{\max} \eta \geq 1.5 \Leftrightarrow \Delta x / \eta = \pi / 1.5 \sim 2$

largest scale l must be sufficient to contain energy containing motions

lower limit is $l = 8$ integral length scales L_{11}

integral length scale from two-point, one-time autocovariance, $i = 1 = j$

$$\langle u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle \langle u_j(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}, t) \rangle \Rightarrow L_{11}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{R_{11}(0, \mathbf{x}, t)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{11}(r \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1, \mathbf{x}, t) d\mathbf{r}$$

combination leads to : $N \sim 1.6(l/\eta) = 1.6 \text{Re}_l^{3/4}$

$$N^3 \sim 4.4 \text{Re}_l^{9/4}$$

integration time step : Courant = $k^{1/2} \Delta t / \Delta x \sim 0.05$

time integration duration of order 4 turbulence timescales $\tau = k/\varepsilon$

$$M = \frac{4\tau}{\Delta t} = 80 \frac{l}{\Delta x} = \frac{120}{\pi} \frac{l}{\eta}$$

computing time requirement at 1 gflop rate (days)

$$T_{\text{days}} = \frac{10^3 N^3 M}{10^9 \times 60 \times 60 \times 24} \sim \left(\frac{\text{Re}_l}{800} \right)^3 \sim \left(\frac{\text{Re}_l}{70} \right)^6 \\ \sim 5000 \text{ years for } \text{Re}_l \sim 10^5$$

LES.3 Large Eddy Simulation for Turbulent Flow

Categorization by motion resolution for turbulent NS

Model	Acronym	Resolution
Direct numerical simulation	DNS	Turbulent motions of all scales are fully resolved
Large-eddy simulation with near-wall resolution	LES-NWR	The filter and grid are sufficiently fine to resolve 80% of the energy everywhere
Large-eddy simulation with near-wall modelling	LES-NWM	The filter and grid are sufficiently fine to resolve 80% of the energy remote from the wall, but not in the near-wall region
Very-large-eddy simulation	VLES	The filter and grid are too coarse to resolve 80% of the energy
Detached eddy simulation	DES	A variation on LES-NNM

LES for random scalar function $U(x, t)$

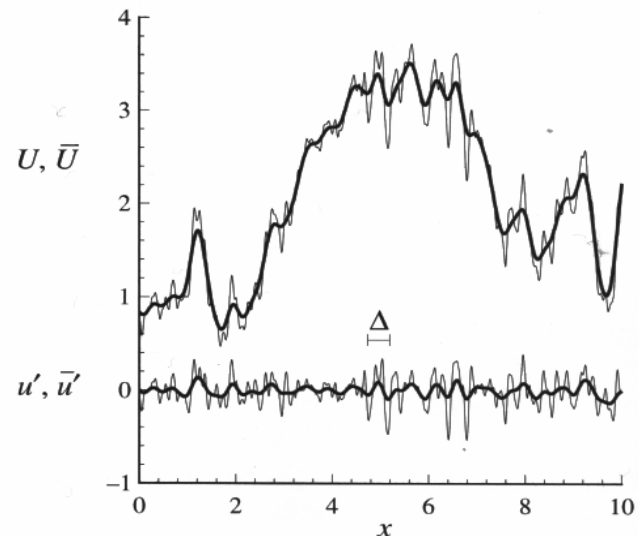
$$\bar{U}(x, t) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(r) U(x-r, t) dr$$

which is the convolution integral

$$u'(x, t) \equiv U(x, t) - \bar{U}(x, t)$$

$$\overline{u'(x, t)} \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(r) u'(x-r, t) dr$$

for G the Gaussian with $\Delta = 0.35$



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Large eddy simulation- the compromise between RaNS and DNS

process: define mean velocity

$$\bar{U}_i(\mathbf{x},t) \equiv \int_{\Delta} G(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\xi};\Delta) U_i(\boldsymbol{\xi},t) d^3\xi$$

define the fluctuation

$$U_i(\mathbf{x},t) \equiv \bar{U}_i(\mathbf{x},t) + u'_i(\mathbf{x},t)$$

filtered NS equations produces residual stress tensor

$$\overline{U_i U_j} \text{ and } \overline{u'_i(\mathbf{x},t)} \neq 0$$

resolve filtered NS residual stress

$$\overline{U_i U_j} \equiv \bar{U}_i \bar{U}_j + L_{ij} + C_{ij} + R_{ij}$$

evaluate Leonard and cross-term stresses from filter $G(\bullet)$

$$L_{ij} \equiv \overline{\bar{U}_i \bar{U}_j} - \bar{U}_i \bar{U}_j$$

$$C_{ij} \equiv \overline{\bar{U}_i u'_j} + \overline{\bar{U}_j u'_i}$$

select sub-grid scale (SGS) closure model for R_{ij}

$$R_{ij} \equiv \overline{u'_i u'_j}$$

solve filtered NS equations for $\bar{U}_i(\mathbf{x},t)$

LES.5 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Fourier transforms reprise (Pope, 2000, App.D)

given $f(t)$, the Fourier transform is

$$g(\omega) \equiv F\{f(t)\} \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

inverse transform : $f(t) \equiv F^{-1}\{g(\omega)\} \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega$

Useful Fourier transform pairs, operations

derivatives : $F\left\{\frac{d^n f(t)}{dt^n}\right\} = (i\omega)^n g(\omega)$

$$F^{-1}\left\{\frac{d^n f(t)}{dt^n}\right\} = (-it)^n f(t)$$

cosine transform : for $f(t)$ real and even ($\equiv f(-t)$)

$$g(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \cos \omega t dt$$

$$f(t) = 2 \int_0^{\infty} g(\omega) \cos \omega t d\omega$$

$f(t)$	$g(\omega)$
1	$\delta(\omega)$
$\delta(t - a)$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-i\omega a}$
$\delta^{(n)}(t - a)$	$\frac{(i\omega)^n}{2\pi} e^{-i\omega a}$
$e^{-b t }$	$\frac{b}{\pi(b^2 + \omega^2)}$
$\frac{1}{b\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/(2b^2)}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-b^2\omega^2/2}$
$H(b - t)$	$\frac{\sin(b\omega)}{\pi\omega}$
$(b^2 + t^2)^{-(v+1/2)}$	$\frac{2\sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma(v + \frac{1}{2})} \left(\frac{ \omega }{2b}\right)^v K_v\left(\frac{ \omega }{b}\right)$

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Useful Fourier transform pairs, operations, concluded

delta function : $F\{\delta(t-a)\} = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-i\omega a}$

$$\delta(t-a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega(t-a)} d\omega \text{ for } g(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-i\omega a}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(t) \delta(t-a) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} G(t) e^{-i\omega(t-a)} dt d\omega = G(a)$$

convolution : $h(t) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(t-s) f_2(s) ds$

$$\begin{aligned} F\{h(t)\} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(t-s) f_2(s) ds dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega(r+s)} f_1(r) f_2(s) ds dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega r} f_1(r) dr \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega s} f_2(s) ds \\ &= 2\pi F\{f_1(t)\} F\{f_2(t)\} \end{aligned}$$

LES.7 Large Eddy Simulation of Turbulent Fluid Dynamics

Spectral representation, filtered variables in wavenumber space

Fourier transform for U : $\hat{U}(\kappa) \equiv \mathcal{F}\{U(x)\}$

for filtered U : $\hat{\bar{U}}(\kappa) \equiv \mathcal{F}\{\bar{U}(x)\} = \hat{G}(\kappa)\hat{U}(\kappa)$

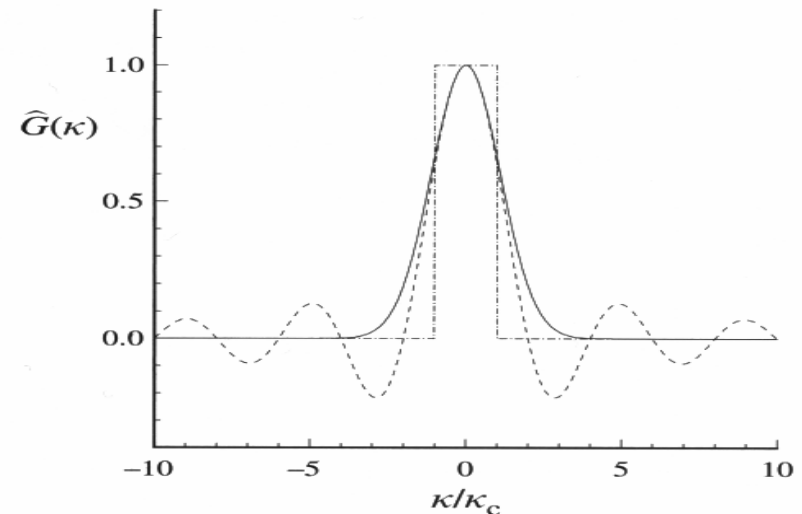
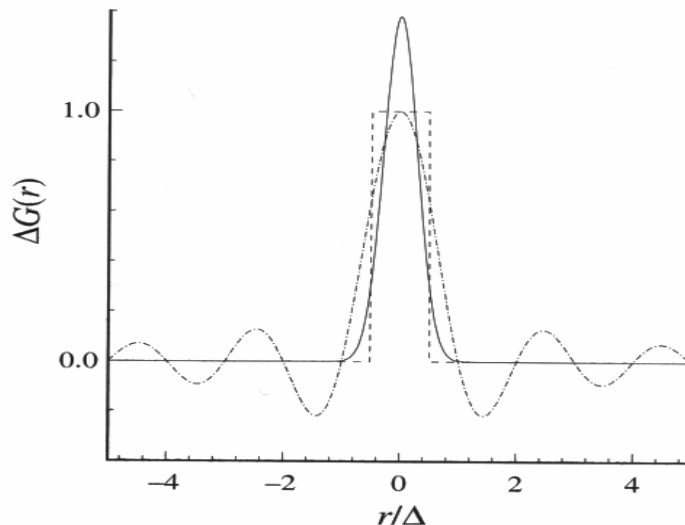
transform function : $\hat{G}(\kappa) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(r)e^{-i\kappa r}dr = 2\pi\mathcal{F}\{G(r)\}$

Commentary on filters $G(r)$, hence filter transfer functions $\hat{G}(\kappa)$

box : compact (Heaviside) in r , diffuse in κ

Gaussian : compact in both r and κ

sharp spectral : diffuse in r , compact (Heaviside) in κ

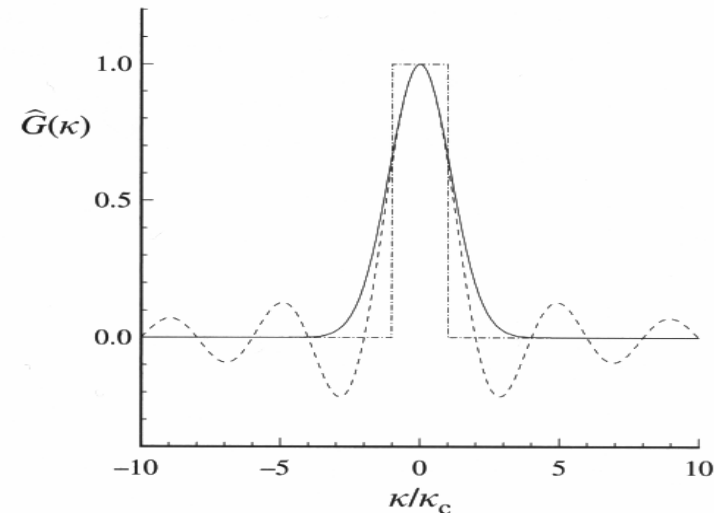
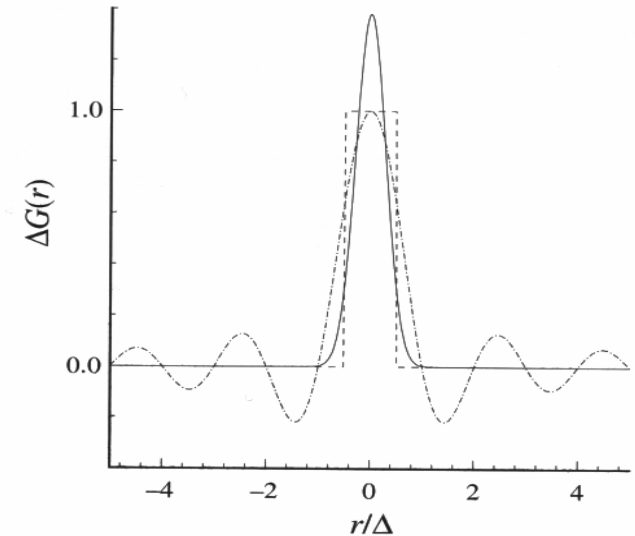


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Filter and transfer functions of use in LES

Name	Filter function	Transfer function
General	$G(r)$	$\hat{G}(\kappa) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\kappa r} G(r) dr$
Box	$\frac{1}{\Delta} H(\frac{1}{2}\Delta - r)$	$\frac{\sin(\frac{1}{2}\kappa\Delta)}{\frac{1}{2}\kappa\Delta}$
Gaussian	$\left(\frac{6}{\pi\Delta^2}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{6r^2}{\Delta^2}\right)$	$\exp\left(-\frac{\kappa^2\Delta^2}{24}\right)$
Sharp spectral	$\frac{\sin(\pi r/\Delta)}{\pi r}$	$H(\kappa_c - \kappa),$ $\kappa_c \equiv \pi/\Delta$
Cauchy	$\frac{a}{\pi\Delta[(r/\Delta)^2 + a^2]}, \quad a = \frac{\pi}{24}$	$\exp(-a\Delta \kappa)$
Pao		$\exp\left(-\frac{\pi^{2/3}}{24}(\Delta \kappa)^{4/3}\right)$

dashed box filter
 solid Gaussian filter
 dot-dash sharp spectral filter
 κ_c = filter cutoff wave number
 = π/Δ



LES.9 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Filtering effect on energy spectrum, statistically homogeneous $U(x)$

resolution : $U(x) \equiv \langle U(x) \rangle + u(x)$

autocovariance : $R(r) \equiv \langle u(x+r) \rangle \langle u(x) \rangle$

energy spectrum : $E_{11}(\kappa) \equiv 2F\{R\} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R(r) e^{-i\kappa r} dr$

filtered covariance : $\bar{R}(r) \equiv \langle \bar{u}(x+r) \rangle \langle \bar{u}(x) \rangle$

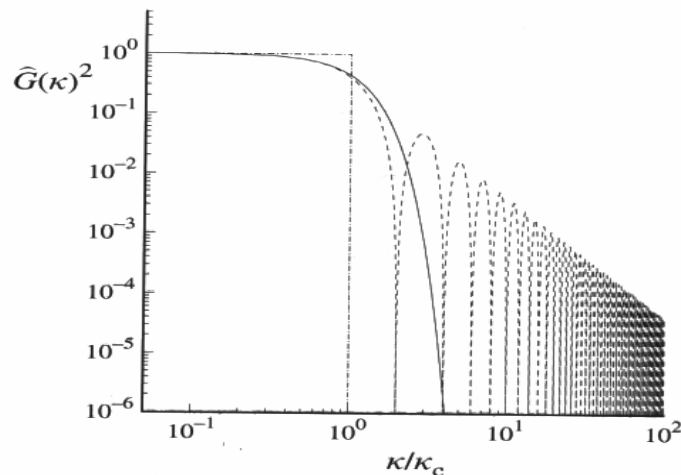
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(y) G(z) R(r+z-y) dy dz$$

filtered spectrum : $\bar{E}_{11}(\kappa) \equiv \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{R}(r) e^{-i\kappa r} dr$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(y) e^{-i\kappa y} G(z) e^{-i\kappa z} R(r+z-y) e^{-i\kappa(r+z-y)} dy dz dr$$

$$= \hat{G}(\kappa) \hat{G}^*(\kappa) E_{11}(\kappa)$$

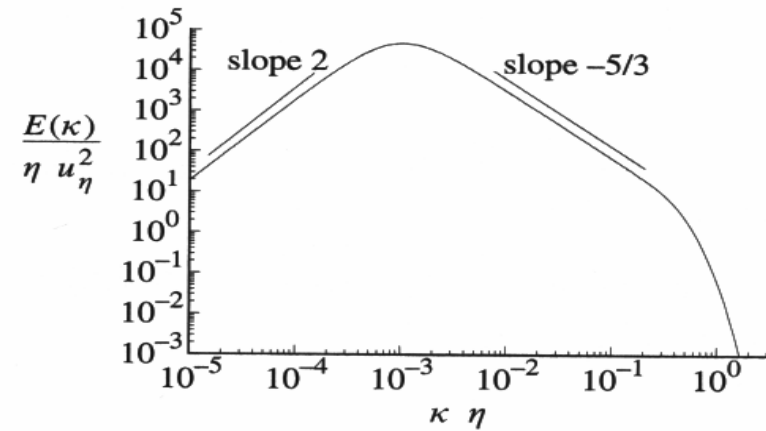
$$= |\hat{G}(\kappa)|^2 E_{11}(\kappa)$$



box(---), Gaussian(—), sharp spectral(— •)

LES.10 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Filtering effect on energy spectrum, statistically homogeneous $U(x)$, concluded



a model spectrum : $E(\kappa) \equiv C \varepsilon^{2/3} \kappa^{-5/3} f_L(\kappa L) f_\eta(\kappa \eta)$

$$f_L \equiv \left[\kappa L / [(\kappa L)^2 + c_L] \right]^{1/2} \Big]^{5/3+2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(\kappa) \sim \kappa^2 \text{ for small } \kappa L$$

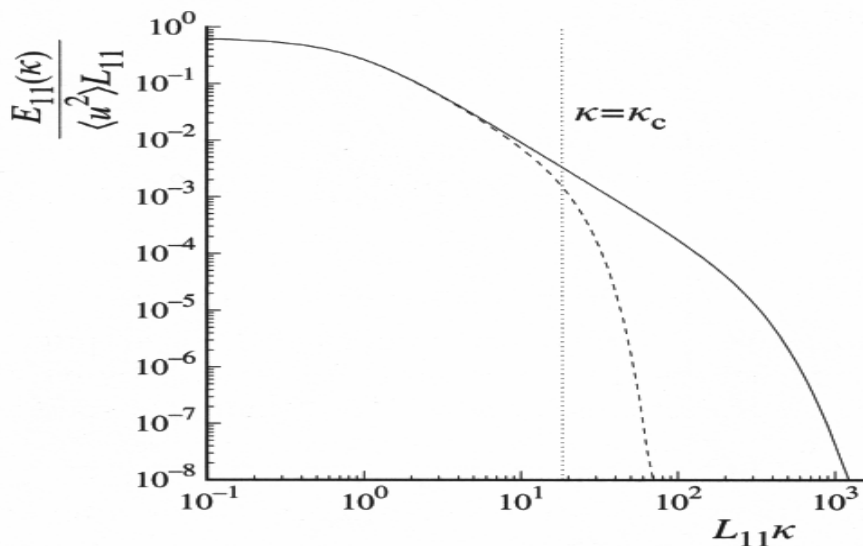
$$f_\eta \sim \exp(-\beta \kappa \eta) \text{ for } 2.1 \leq \beta(\kappa \eta) \leq 5.2$$

$$\Rightarrow E(\kappa) \sim \text{Kolmogorov for large } \kappa$$

for Taylor Re : $R_\lambda \equiv u' \lambda_g / \nu = 500$

$$= (20 \text{Re}_L / 3)^{1/2}, \quad \text{Re}_L = k^{1/2} L / \nu = k^2 / \varepsilon \nu$$

Energy spectrum comparisons for Gaussian filter, $\text{Re}_\lambda = 500$



$$\Delta \equiv \frac{1}{6} L_{11} = \frac{1}{\langle u^2 \rangle_0} \int_0^\infty R(r) dr \equiv \ell_{\text{EI}}$$

$\ell_{\text{EI}} \equiv$ demarcation length scale separating energy-containing eddies ($\ell > \ell_{\text{EI}}$) from others

$$E_{11}(\kappa) (-), \quad \bar{E}_{11}(\kappa) (- -)$$

$$\langle \bar{u}^2 \rangle \sim 0.92 \langle u^2 \rangle, \quad 0.92 \rightarrow 0.80 \text{ in 3-D}$$

LES.11 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Mesh resolution for filtered velocity field, statistically homogeneous $U(x)$

for $\bar{u}(x) \approx \bar{u}^h(x)$ on uniform mesh with $h=L/N$, $0 \leq x \leq L$

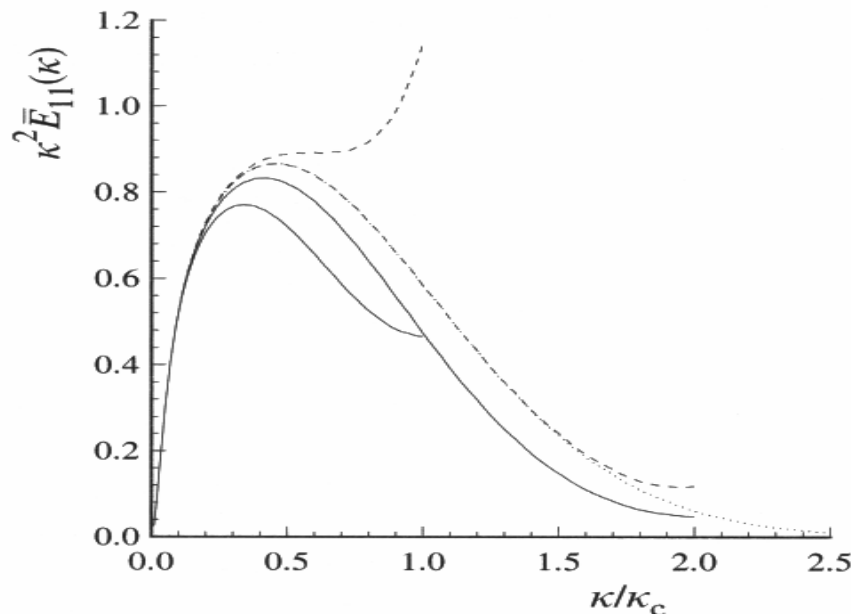
$\kappa_{\max} = \pi N_{\max} / L$ and $\kappa_{\max} \eta \geq 1.5$ for isotropic turbulence

$h_{\max} = L / N_{\max} = \pi / \kappa_{\max}$ is largest adequate mesh

for Gaussian, highest resolved mode is $\kappa_r = \pi/h$, cutoff is $\kappa_c = \pi/\Delta$

resolution : $h/\Delta \sim \kappa_c/\kappa_r = (1/2, 1) \Leftrightarrow$ (good, poor)

Velocity first derivative spectra, $\kappa^2 \bar{E}_{11}(\kappa)$, Gaussian, $R_\lambda = 500$



$d\bar{u}(x)dx$: (.....) model spectrum

$h/\Delta = 1/2$ (98%)

$h/\Delta = 1$ (72%)

$d\bar{u}^I(x)/dx$: (---), $h/\Delta = 1/2$ (ok)

$h/\Delta = 1$ (aliased)

$d\bar{u}^h(x)/dx$: (—), $h/\Delta = 1/2$ (86%)

$h/\Delta = 1$ (60%)

$h/\Delta = 1/4$ (96%)

LES.13 Large Eddy Simulation Model For Turbulent Flow

Filtered NS conservation law system, concluded

$$D\bar{E} = \bar{U}_j \bar{D}P_j \Rightarrow \bar{D}(E_f + k_r), \quad E_f \equiv \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{U}}$$

$$k_r \equiv \frac{1}{2} \overline{\bar{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{U}}} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{U}} = \frac{1}{2} \tau_{ij}^R$$

$$\overline{DE} : \frac{D\bar{E}_f}{D\bar{t}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\bar{U}_j (2\nu \bar{S}_{ij} - \tau_{ij}^r - \frac{\bar{p}_r}{\rho_0} \delta_{ij}) \right] = -\varepsilon_f - P_r$$

where: $\varepsilon_f \equiv 2\nu \bar{S}_{ij} \bar{S}_{ij}$, filtered viscous dissipation

$P_r \equiv -\tau_{ij}^r \bar{S}_{ij}$, filtered $\rightarrow$ residual motion dissipation

$$\text{Strain} : \bar{S}_{ij} \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\bar{U}_{i,j} + \bar{U}_{j,i})$$

$$\bar{S} \equiv (2\bar{S}_{ij} \bar{S}_{ij})^{1/2} \equiv \text{characteristic filtered strain rate}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \bar{S}^2 \rangle &\equiv 2\bar{S}_{ij} \bar{S}_{ij} = 2 \int_0^\infty \kappa^2 \bar{E}(\kappa) d\kappa \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty \kappa^2 \hat{G}(\kappa)^2 E(\kappa) d\kappa \end{aligned}$$

are scales used in SGS closure models

LES.12 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Filtered NS conservation law system

for spatially uniform filters, differentiation and filtering commute

$$DM: \overline{\partial U_i / \partial x_i} = \partial \bar{U}_i / \partial x_i = 0 = \partial u'_i / \partial x_i$$

$$DP: \frac{\partial \bar{U}_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\bar{U}_j \bar{U}_i)}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial x_i} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 \bar{U}_i}{\partial x_j^2}$$

$$\text{anisotropic residual stress tensor : } \tau_{ij}^r \equiv \bar{U}_i \bar{U}_j - \bar{U}_i \bar{U}_j - \frac{2}{3} k_r \delta_{ij}$$

$$\text{modified pressure : } \bar{p}_r \Rightarrow \bar{p} + \frac{2}{3} k_r$$

$$\overline{DP} : \bar{D}(\bar{U}_i) / \bar{D}t = \frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{dp_r}{dx_i} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 \bar{U}_i}{\partial x_j^2} - \partial \tau_{ij}^r / \partial x_j$$

Residual stress tensor resolution, Galilean-invariant form (Germano, 1986)

$$\tau_{ij}^R = \tau_{ij}^r + \frac{2}{3} k_r \delta_{ij} \equiv L_{ij}^0 + C_{ij}^0 + R_{ij}^0$$

$$\text{Leonard : } L_{ij}^0 \equiv \bar{\bar{U}}_i \bar{\bar{U}}_j - \bar{U}_i \bar{U}_j$$

$$\text{Cross : } C_{ij}^0 \equiv \bar{U}_i \bar{u}'_j + \bar{u}'_i \bar{U}_j - \bar{U}_i \bar{u}'_j - \bar{u}'_i \bar{U}_j$$

$$\text{SGS Reynolds : } R_{ij}^0 \equiv \bar{u}'_i \bar{u}'_j - \bar{u}'_i \bar{u}'_j$$

LES.14 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Closure for filtered NS system, the Smagorinsky model

anisotropic residual stress tensor, Boussinesq model

$$\tau_{ij}^r \equiv -\nu_r 2\bar{S}_{ij}$$

$$\nu_r = D(L^2/t) \equiv \ell_s^2 \bar{S}, \quad \bar{S} \equiv (2\bar{S}_{ij}\bar{S}_{ij})^{1/2}$$

Smagorinsky: $\ell_s \equiv C_s \Delta$

$$P_r \equiv \tau_{ij}^r \bar{S}_{ij} = 2\nu_r \bar{S}_{ij} \bar{S}_{ij} = \nu_r \bar{S}^2 \geq 0$$

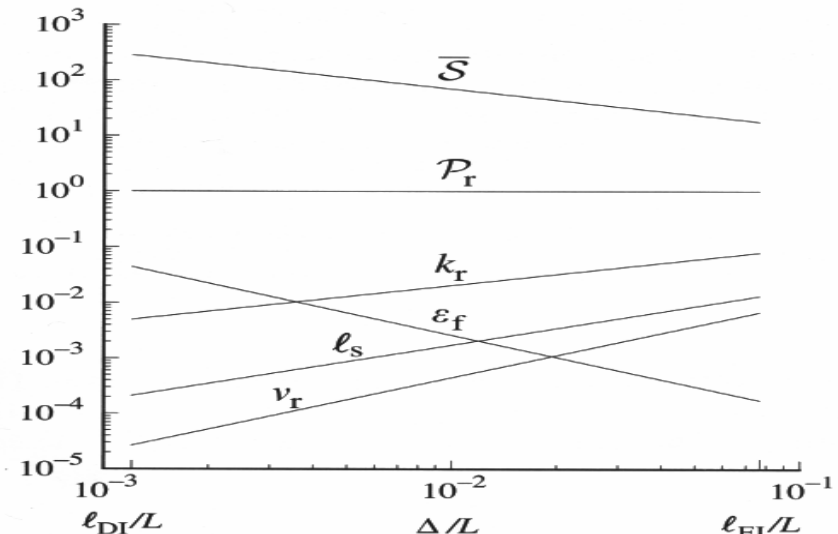
$\therefore$ no back scatter, mean $\Rightarrow$ residual motion only

For high Re turbulence, filter in the inertial subrange, $\ell_{EI} < \Delta < \ell_{DI}$

$$\text{balance: } \varepsilon = \langle P_r \rangle = \langle \nu_r \bar{S}^2 \rangle = \ell_s \langle \bar{S}^3 \rangle$$

$$\text{via Kolmogorov: } \ell_s = \frac{\Delta}{(\text{Ca}_F)^{3/4}} \left[\frac{\langle \bar{S}^3 \rangle}{\langle \bar{S}^2 \rangle} \right]^{-1/2}$$

$$\text{sharp spectral: } C_s = \frac{\ell_s}{\Delta} \approx 0.17$$



LES.15 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Smagorinsky filter is uniquely implied in homogeneous isotropic

note : ℓ_s closure model is independent of filter specification

$$\text{filter transfer function : } \hat{G}(\kappa) = \left[\frac{\bar{E}_s(\kappa)}{\bar{E}_{\text{DNS}}(\kappa)} \right]$$

In inertial subrange, for $\bar{S} \sim \langle \bar{S}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$, ν_r is non-random and uniform

$$\text{in DP : } \nu \partial^2 \bar{U}_j / \partial x_i^2 \Rightarrow (\nu + \nu_r) \partial^2 \bar{U}_j / \partial x_i^2$$

hence : LES solution approximates DNS at a smaller Re

$$\text{effective } \eta \text{ scale : } \bar{\eta} \equiv \left[(\nu + \nu_r)^3 / \varepsilon \right]^{1/4} = \ell_s (1 + \nu / \nu_r)^2$$

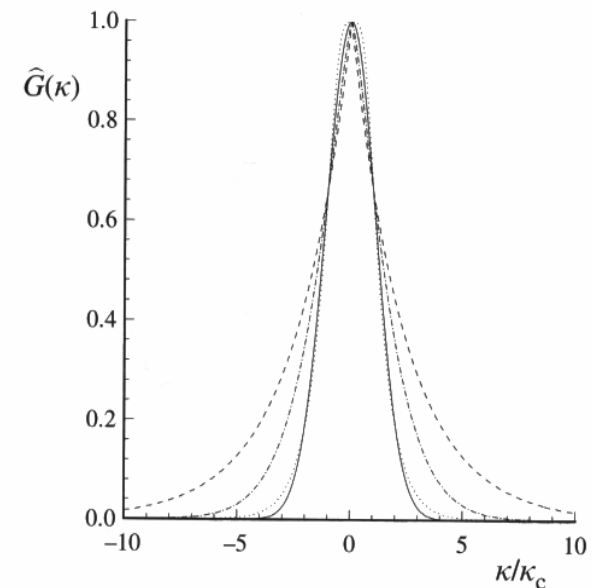
energy spectra : assume to be Kolmogorov as function of $(\eta, \bar{\eta})$

$$\text{filter transfer : } \hat{G}_s = \exp \left[-3C\kappa^{4/3} (\bar{\eta}^{4/3} - \eta^{4/3}) / 4 \right]$$

implies : Pao filter with $\Delta = \ell_s / C_s$

$$C_s \approx 0.15 \left[1 + (7\eta / \Delta)^{4/3} \right]^{1/4}$$

comparisons : (—) Gaussian, (...) Smagorinsky



LES.16 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

Filtered NS solutions, limiting cases on filter width Δ

$\Delta\eta \ll 1$: TS on residual stress tensor shows

$$\tau_{ij}^R \equiv \overline{U_i U_j} - \bar{U}_i \bar{U}_j = \frac{\Delta}{12} \frac{\partial \bar{U}_i}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \bar{U}_j}{\partial x_k} + O(\Delta^4)$$

of little practical importance as ν dominates $\nu_s \sim C_s^2 (\Delta/\eta)^2$

$\Delta\ell \ll 1$: turbulence length scale $\ell = k^{3/2}/\varepsilon$,

$$\bar{\mathbf{U}} \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{U} \rangle, \mathbf{u}' \Rightarrow \mathbf{u}, \tau_{ij}^R \Rightarrow \langle u_i u_j \rangle$$

for homogeneous turbulent shear flow, e.g.

$$\nu_r \Rightarrow \nu^t, \ell_s \Rightarrow \ell_{\text{mix}} = \left| \langle u_1 u_2 \rangle \right|^{1/2} \left| \partial \langle U_1 \rangle / \partial x_2 \right|$$

is not a $f(C_s)$ hence $C_s \Rightarrow 0$ as $\ell_{\text{mix}} / \Delta$

laminar flow: τ_{ij}^R not necessarily zero in laminar flow

for $C_s = 0$, $\tau_{ij}^R \propto \Delta^2$ which is incorrect, hence $C_s \neq 0$

near-wall issues: LES-NWR is infeasible for high Re applications

LES-NWM for channel flows, no filter in wall normal direction

in wall-normal direction, $\tau_{ij}^R(y) \approx \langle u_i u_j(y) \rangle$

$$\therefore \ell_s = C_s \Delta \approx \left[1 - \exp\left(y^+ / A^+\right) \right]$$

LES.17 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

CFD Smagorinsky model shortcomings

$$\text{Smagorinsky : } C_s = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad \text{laminar flow} \\ \sim \omega^2 & , \quad \text{near-wall damping} \\ 0.15 & , \quad \text{high Re unbounded turbulent flows} \end{cases}$$

A dynamic model utilizes dual filters

$$\text{grid filter : } \bar{\Delta} \sim h \quad , \quad \bar{U} \equiv \int (G(|\mathbf{r}|; \bar{\Delta}) U(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{r}, t) d\mathbf{r}$$

$$\text{test filter : } \tilde{\Delta} \equiv 2\bar{\Delta} \quad , \quad \tilde{U} \equiv \int (G(|\mathbf{r}|; \tilde{\Delta}) \bar{U}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{r}, t) d\mathbf{r}$$

$$\text{test filter transform function : } \hat{G}(\kappa; \tilde{\Delta}) \hat{G}(\kappa; \bar{\Delta}) = \hat{G}(\kappa; (\tilde{\Delta}^2 + \bar{\Delta}^2)^{1/2})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{effect of double filtering : } \bar{\tilde{U}} &= \int (G(|\mathbf{r}|; \bar{\tilde{\Delta}}) \tilde{U}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{r}, t) d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \int (G(|\mathbf{r}|; \bar{\tilde{\Delta}}) U(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{r}, t) d\mathbf{r} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\tilde{\Delta}} = (\tilde{\Delta}^2 + \bar{\Delta}^2)^{1/2} \text{ for Gaussian}$$

$$\text{resolution : } \bar{U} - \bar{\tilde{U}} \propto \text{largest motions not resolved on grid using } \tilde{\Delta}$$

LES.18 Large Eddy Simulation Model for Turbulent Flow

CFD stabilization acts as an *implicit* filter

$$\overline{DP}^h: \quad \frac{\overline{D}\bar{U}_j}{\bar{D}t} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial \bar{p}_r}{\partial x_j} + \nu \nabla^2 \bar{U}_i - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\tau_{ij}^r + \tau_{ij}^h \right)$$

LES theory: h sufficiently small such that $\tau^h \ll \tau^r$

CFD thinking: assume $\tau^r \approx 0$, let τ^h do the h -scale dissipation

LES-NWM BC: $\bar{U}_2=0$ and $\tau_{i2}^r(x,0,z) = f(u^+) \bar{U}_i(x,y_p,z)$

Appraisal of LES

is incomplete model, since $\Delta \sim \Delta(h, \mathbf{x})$ is an unknown

provides mathematical framework for unsteady turbulent NS analysis

VLES amounts to poorly resolved LES, approaches unsteady RaNS

LES seeks 80% resolution of energy-containing eddies

LES solution can be time-averaged for comparison to steady RaNS

for bounded flows, NWM BCs are a research topic

DES concept addresses this issue