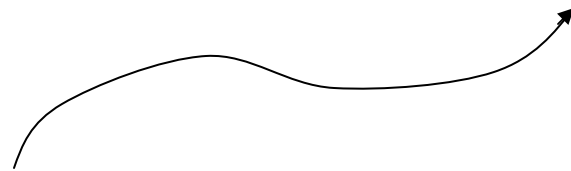


Lagrangian dynamics and statistical geometric structure of turbulence

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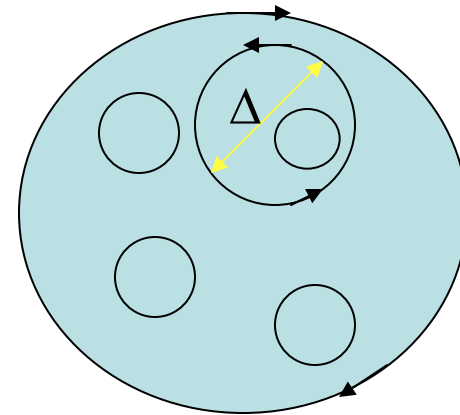
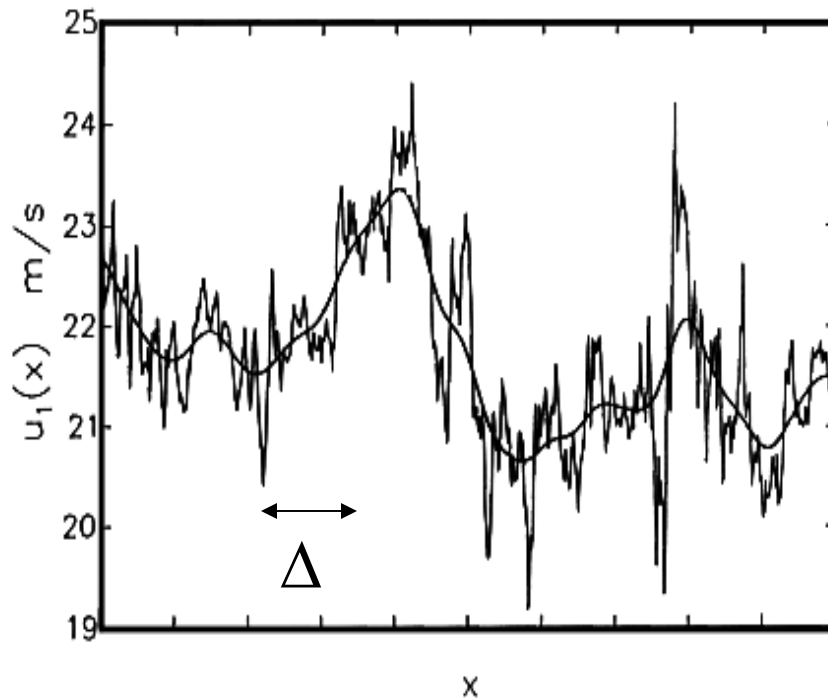
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Turbulent flow: multiscale

Characterize velocity field at particular scale
(filter out larger-scale advection): use velocity increments

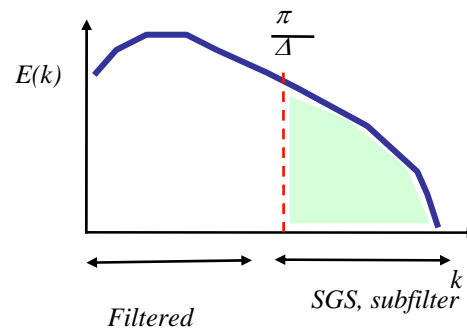
$$\delta u(\Delta) = u_L(\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{e}_L) - u_L(\mathbf{x})$$



All velocity component increments in all directions, at all scales:

Filtered (coarsened) velocity gradient tensor at scale Δ :

$$\tilde{A}_{ij} = \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A}_{11} & \tilde{A}_{12} & \tilde{A}_{13} \\ \tilde{A}_{21} & \tilde{A}_{22} & \tilde{A}_{23} \\ \tilde{A}_{31} & \tilde{A}_{32} & \tilde{A}_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$



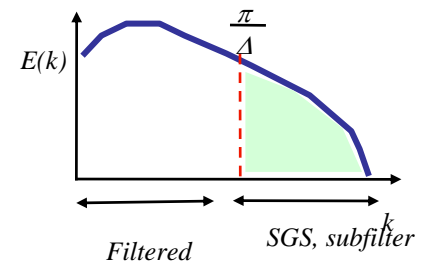
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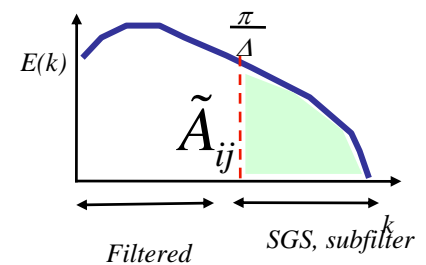
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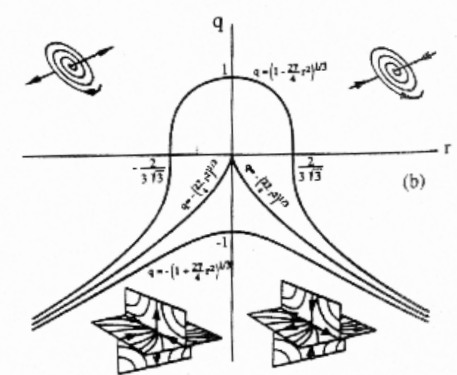
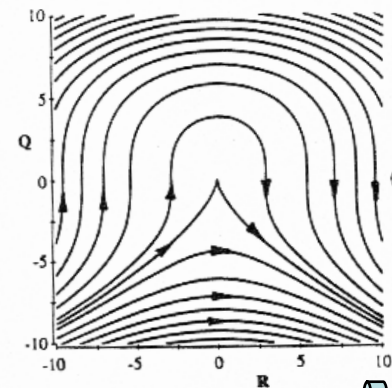
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From: Cantwell, Phys. Fluids 1992)

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- Predicts preference for **axisymmetric extension**

- Predicts alignment of **vorticity with intermediate eigenvector** of S: β_s

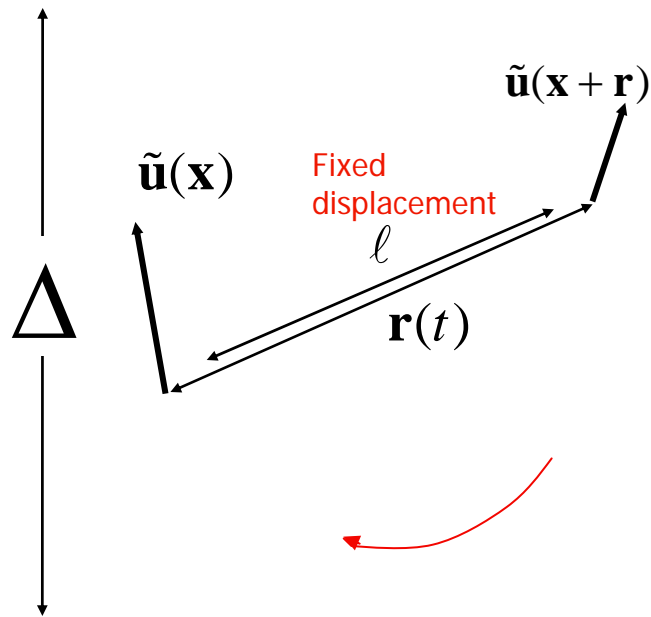


REST OF TALK:

Topic 1: Are there other useful “trace-dynamics” simplifications (other than Q & R)

Topic 2: Stochastic Lagrangian model for evolution of A_{ij}

Another simplifications: Velocity increments



$$\tilde{u}_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) - \tilde{u}_i(\mathbf{x}) = \tilde{A}_{ki} r_k + O(r^2)$$

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$$\delta u(t) \equiv \tilde{A}_{ki}(t) : (\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) \hat{\mathbf{r}}(t)) = \tilde{A}_{rr}(t)$$

Longitudinal

Transverse

$$\delta v^2 \equiv \left[\left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{r_i r_j}{r^2} \right) \tilde{A}_{kj} r_k \frac{1}{r} \right]^2$$

See: Yi & Meneveau, Phys. Rev. Lett. **95**, 164502, 2005, JFM 2006

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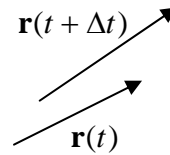
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$\hat{\mathbf{e}}: \hat{e}_n = \delta u_i \left(\delta_{in} - \frac{r_i r_n}{r^2} \right) \frac{1}{\delta v}$

$\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\mathbf{r}(t)}{r}$

$\hat{\mathbf{n}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \times \hat{\mathbf{e}}$

Tensor invariant (Q)
Write A in frame formed by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{rr} & A_{re} & A_{rn} \\ A_{er} & A_{ee} & A_{en} \\ A_{nr} & A_{ne} & -(A_{rr} + E_{ee}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta u & \delta v & 0 \\ ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & -(\delta u + ?) \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{|}$$

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From a similar derivation for δv :

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From a similar derivation for δT , neglecting diffusion and SGS fluxes:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \delta T = -\frac{1}{l} \delta u \delta T$$

In 2D, vorticity is passive scalar, so for 2D:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \delta \omega_z = -\frac{1}{l} \delta u \delta \omega_z$$

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Set of equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = - \left(1 - \frac{2}{D} \right) \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta T = -\delta u \delta T \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta \omega_z = -\delta u \delta \omega_z \quad (\text{only for } D=2) \end{array} \right.$$

1-D inviscid Burgers:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \delta u = -\delta u^2$$

Angles & vortex stretching
(Galati, Gibbon et al, 1997
Gibbon & Holm 2006...):

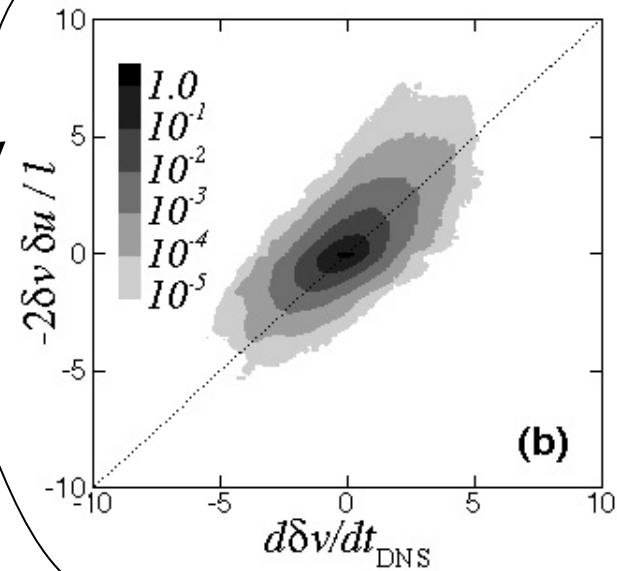
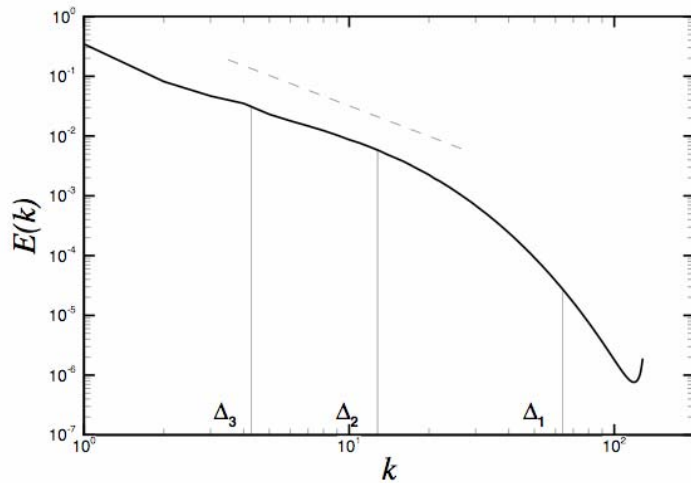
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \alpha &= -\alpha^2 + \chi^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \chi &= -2\alpha\chi \end{aligned}$$

“Advected delta-vee system”

Comparison with DNS, Lagrangian rate of change of velocity increments:

256³ DNS, filtered at 40η, Δ=40 η, evaluated δu, δv, and their Lagrangian rate of change of velocity increments numerically

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = \left(-\frac{1}{3} \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \right) \frac{1}{l} \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -\frac{2}{l} \delta u \delta v \end{array} \right. \quad \rho = 0.51$$



$\rho = 0.61$

Evolution from Gaussian initial conditions:

Initial condition:

δu = Gaussian zero mean, unit variance

δv_k = Gaussian zero mean, unit variance, $k=1,2$

$$\delta v = \sqrt{\delta v_1^2 + \delta v_2^2}$$

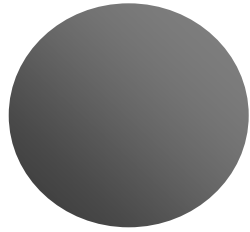
δT = Gaussian zero mean, unit variance

set $\ell = 1$

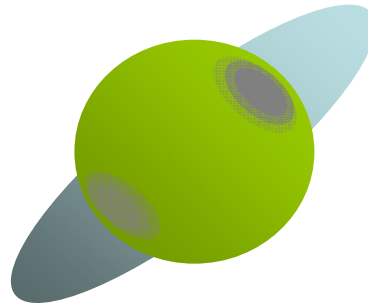
Technical point #1: Alignment bias correction factor

(thanks to Greg Eyink for pointing out the need for a correction)

$$\mathbf{r}(0), \quad |\mathbf{r}(0)| = l$$



$$\mathbf{r}(t)$$



$$\ell^D d\Omega_0 = r(t)^D d\Omega(t) \quad \frac{d\Omega(t)}{d\Omega_0} = \left(\frac{l}{r(t)} \right)^D$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \delta u(r, t) = \delta u \cdot \left(\frac{r}{l} \right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \ln(r/l) = \delta u / l$$

$$\frac{d\Omega(t)}{d\Omega_0} = \exp\left(-Dl^{-1} \int_0^t \delta u(t') dt'\right) \quad P \rightarrow P \frac{d\Omega(t)}{d\Omega_0}$$

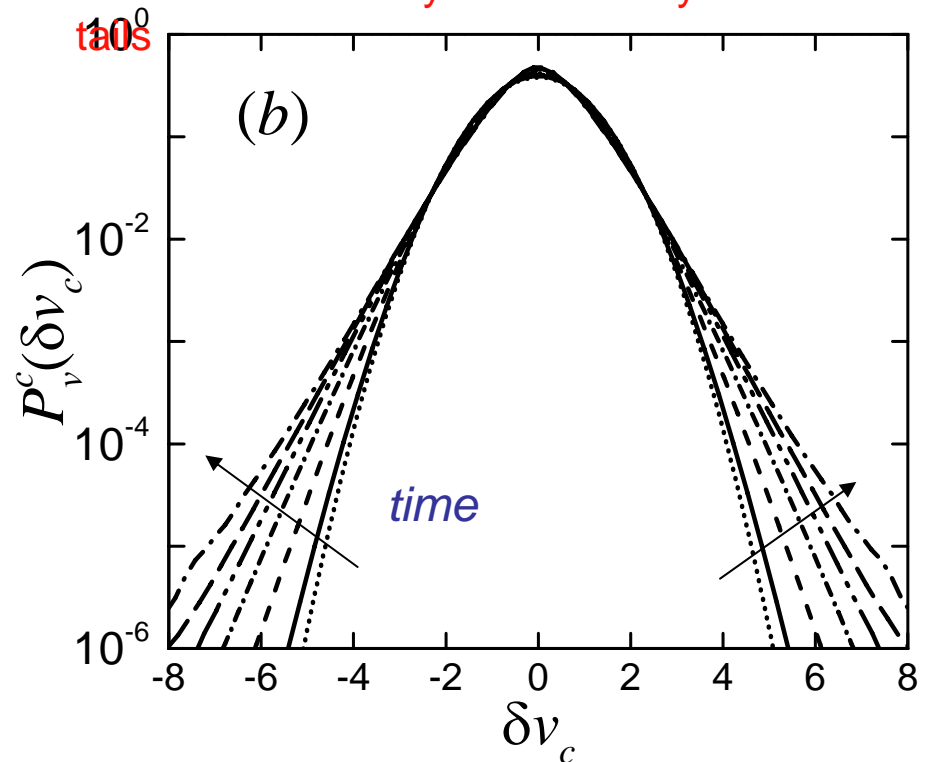
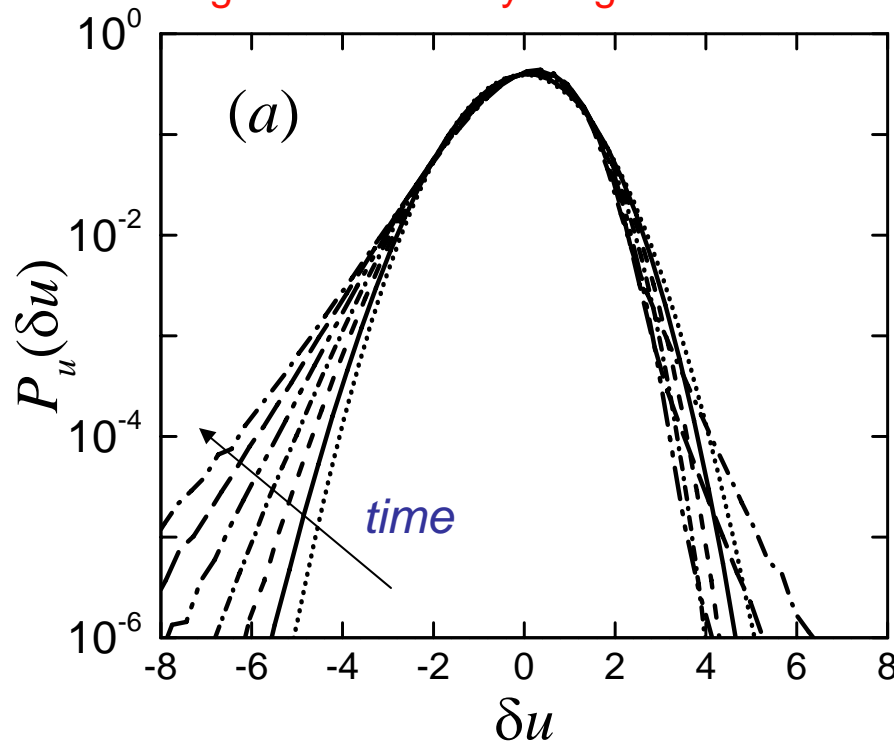
See: Yi & Meneveau,
Phys. Rev. Lett. **95**, 164502,

Can be evaluated from advected delta-vee system

Numerical Results: PDFs in 3D

Longitudinal velocity: negative skewness

Transverse velocity: stretched symmetric



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = -\left(1 - \frac{2}{D}\right) \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta T = -\delta u \delta T \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta \omega_z = -\delta u \delta \omega_z \quad (\text{only for } D=2) \end{array} \right.$$

$$D = 3$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = -\frac{1}{3} \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \end{array} \right.$$

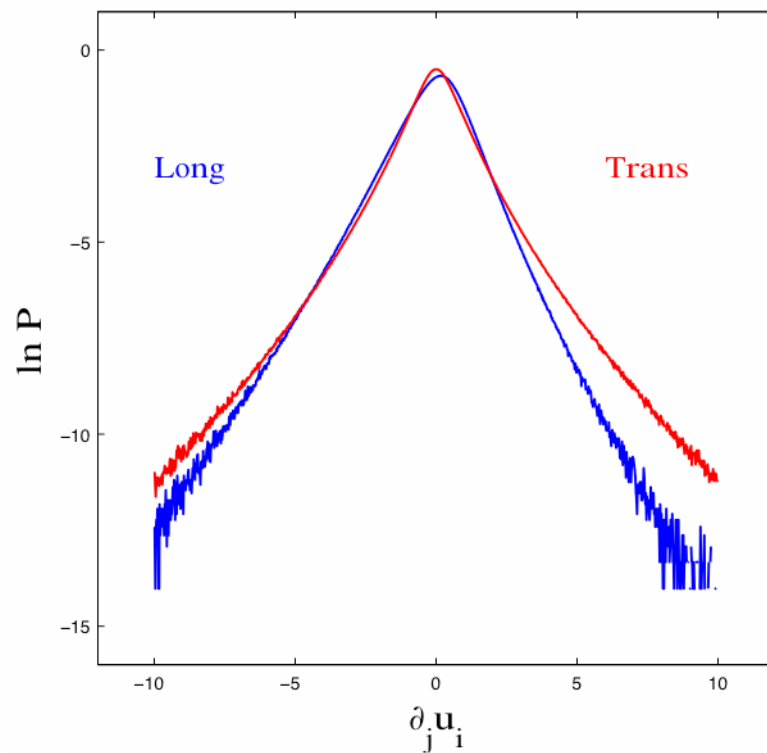
Technical point #2:
Individual component θ is random,
uniformly distributed in $[0, 2\pi)$

$$\delta v_c = |\delta v| \cos \theta$$

$$P_v^c(\delta v_c) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{|\delta v_c|}^{\infty} \frac{P_v(\delta v)}{\sqrt{\delta v^2 - \delta v_c^2}} d\delta v$$

Measured intermittency trends:
 Longitudinal increment is skewed
 Transverse velocity is more intermittent

256³ DNS



1024³ DNS
 (Gotoh et al. 2002)

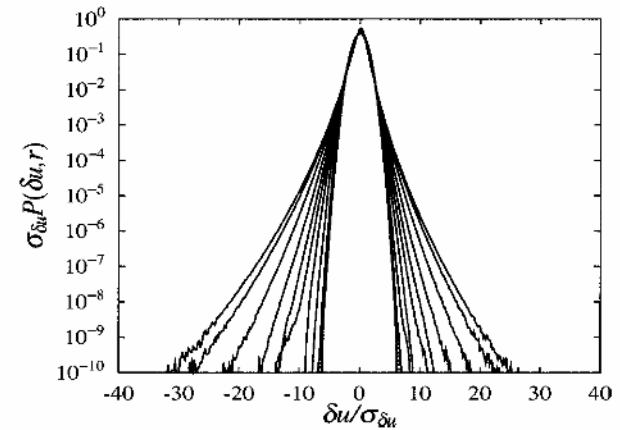


FIG. 15. Variation of the δu_r PDF with r for $R_\lambda = 381$. From the outermost curve, $r_n / \eta = 2^{n-1} dx / \eta = 2.38 \times 2^{n-1}$, $n = 1, \dots, 10$, where $dx = 2\pi / 1024$. The inertial range corresponds to $n = 6, 7, 8$. Dotted line: Gaussian.

Gotoh, Fukayama, and Nakano

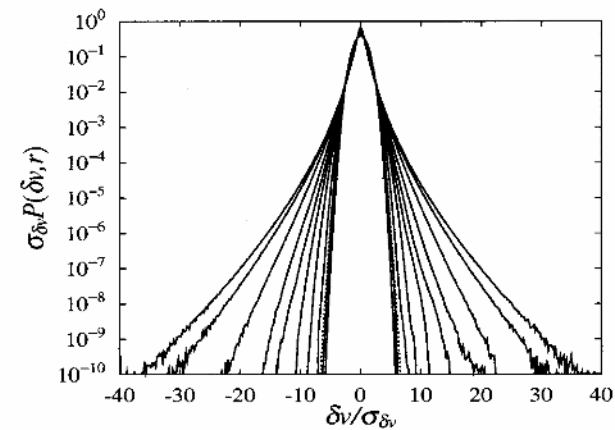
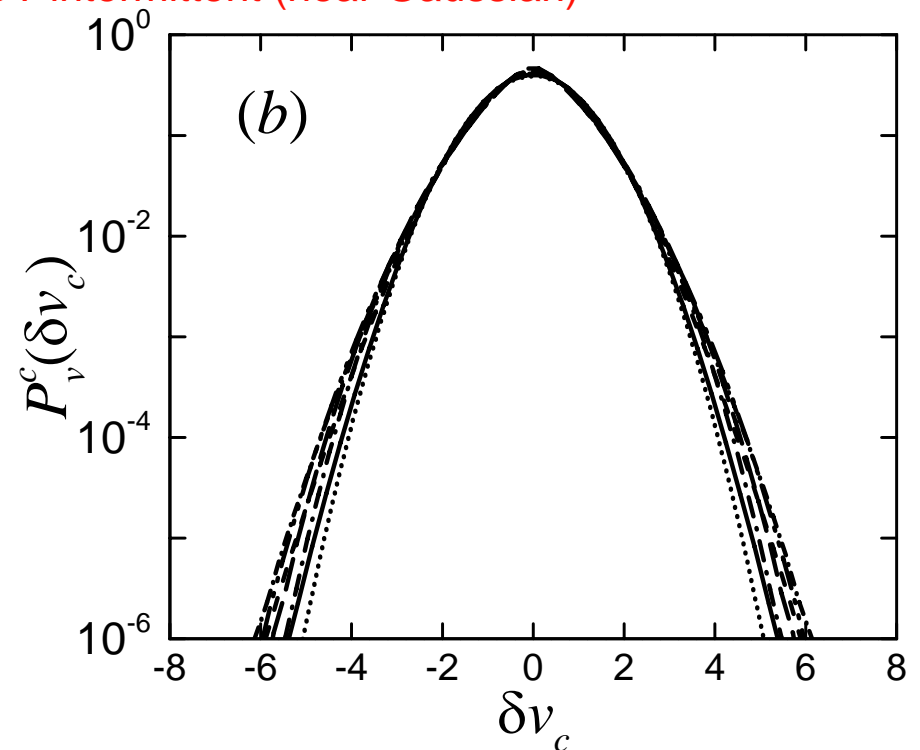
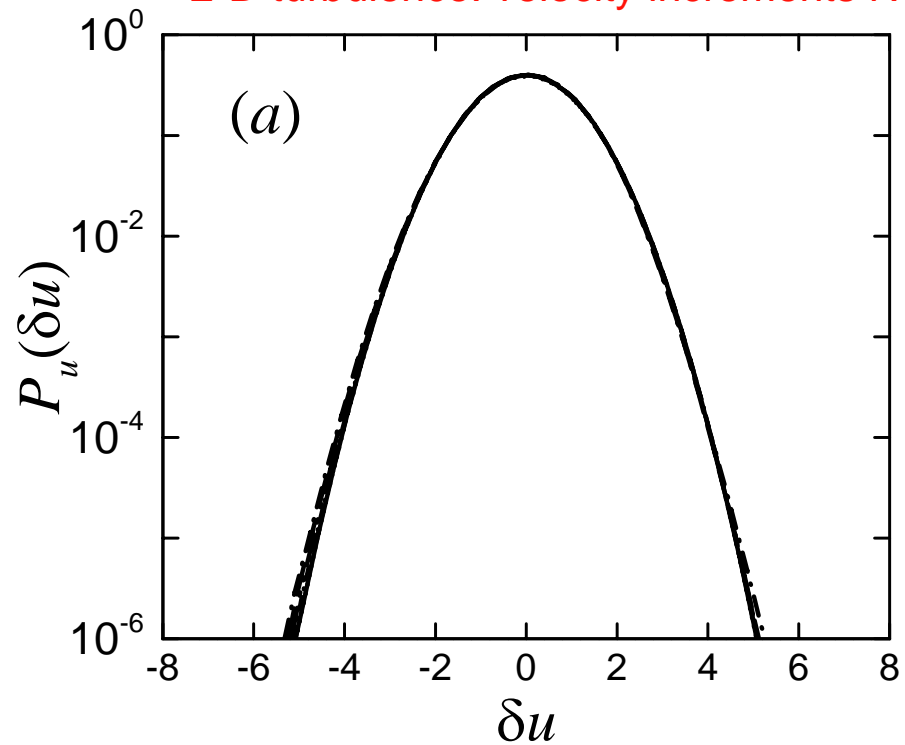


FIG. 16. Variation of PDF for δv_r with r at $R_\lambda = 381$. The classification of curves is the same as in Fig. 17.

Numerical Results: PDFs in 2D

2-D turbulence: velocity increments NOT intermittent (near Gaussian)



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = -\left(1 - \frac{2}{D}\right) \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta T = -\delta u \delta T \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta \omega_z = -\delta u \delta \omega_z \quad (\text{only for } D=2) \end{array} \right.$$

$D = 2$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \end{array} \right.$$

Measured intermittency trends:

No intermittency in 2-D turbulence for velocity increments

J. Paret and P. Tabeling 3127

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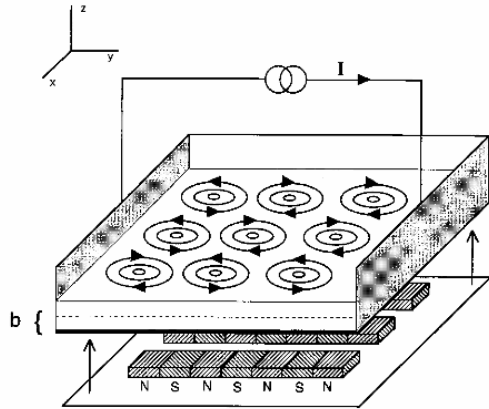


FIG. 1. The experimental set-up.

Paret & Tabeling, Phys. Fluids, 1998

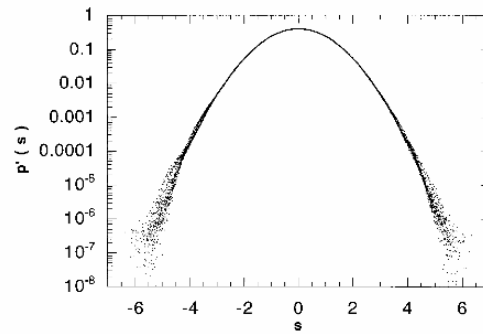


FIG. 12. Rescaled PDF of longitudinal velocity increments for 7 different separations in the inertial range. $s = \delta v / \langle \delta v^2 \rangle^{1/2}$.

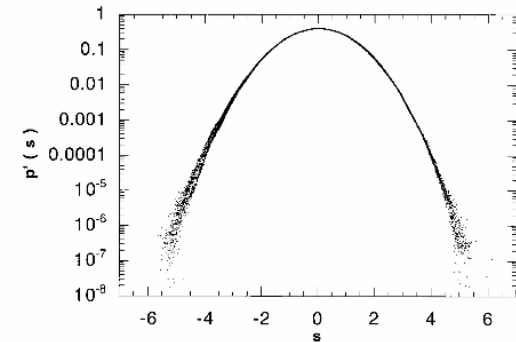


FIG. 15. Rescaled PDF of transverse velocity increments for 7 different separations in the inertial range. $s = \delta v / \langle \delta v^2 \rangle^{1/2}$.

DNS:

Bofetta et al.
Phys. Rev. E, 2000

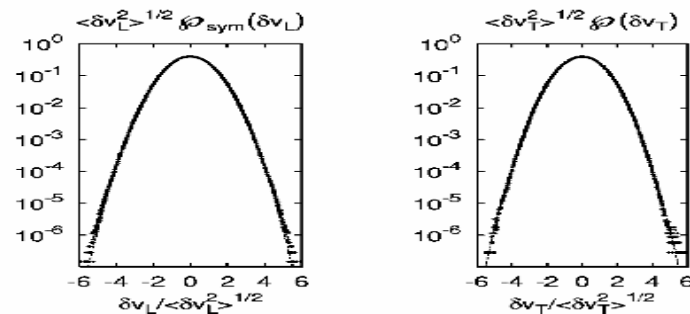


FIG. 6. Left: symmetric part of the longitudinal velocity difference PDF. Right: PDF of transverse velocity differences. The forcing is restricted to a band of wave numbers. Gaussian distributions are shown as solid lines.

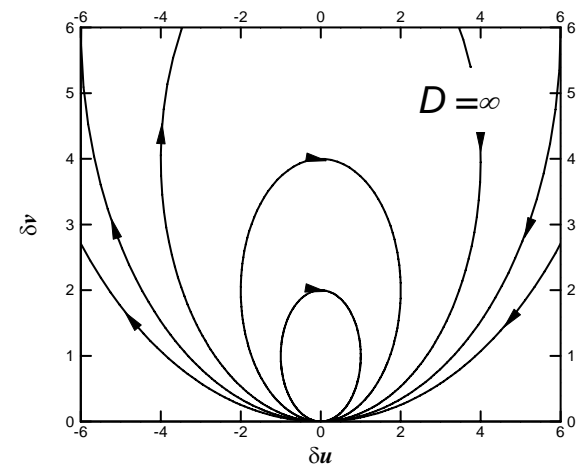
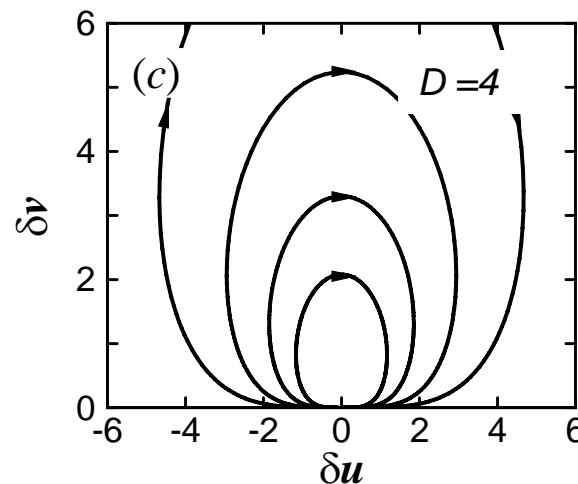
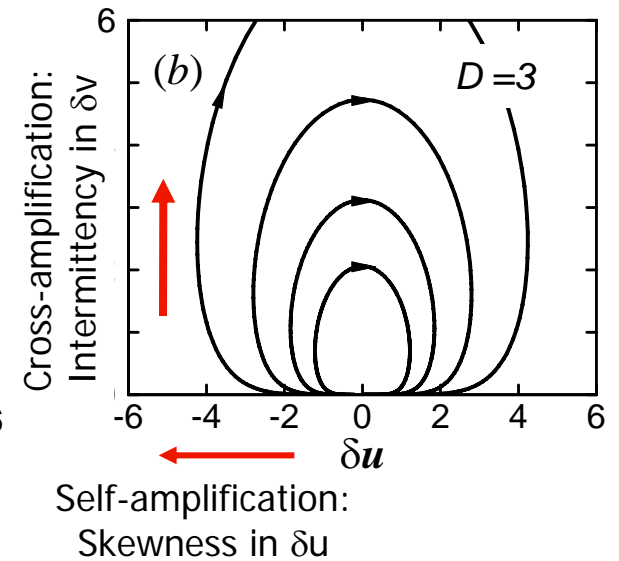
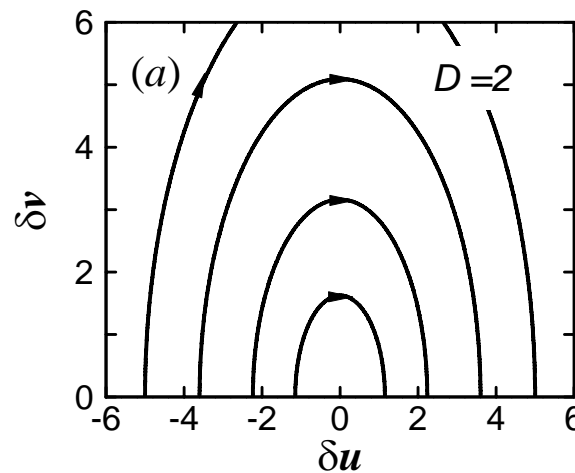
Phase portraits in $(\delta u, \delta v)$ phase space:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = -\left(1 - \frac{2}{D}\right) \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \end{cases}$$

Invariant:

$$U = \left(\delta u^2 + \frac{D}{D+2} \delta v^2 \right) \delta v^{2/D-1}$$

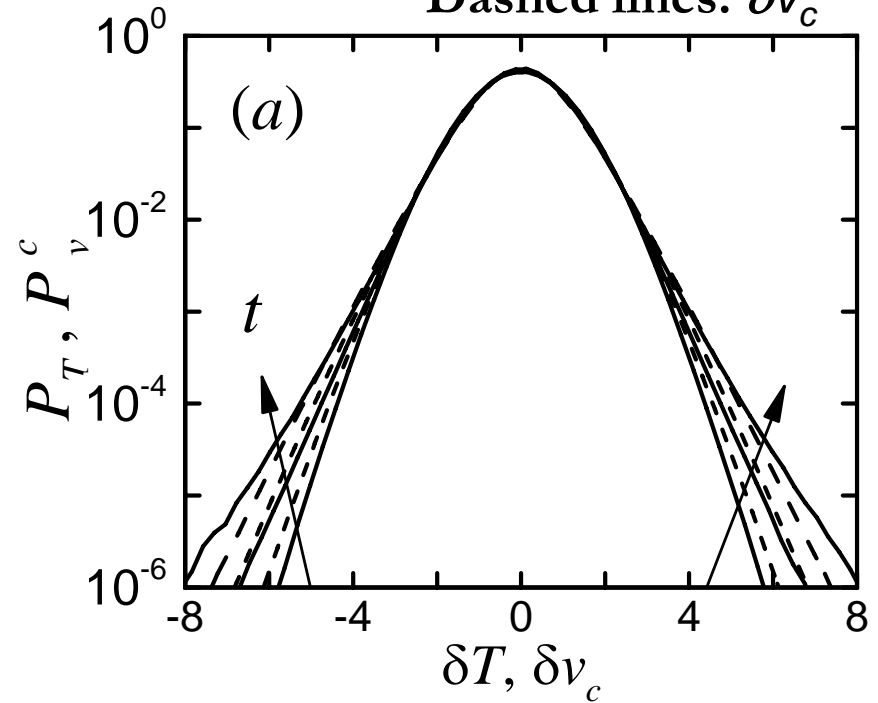
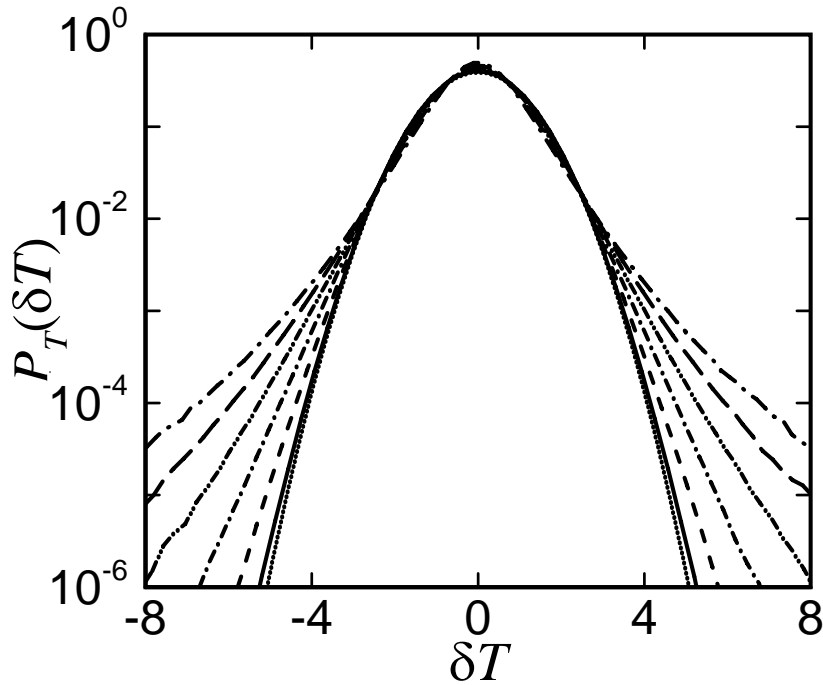
“For small initial δv (particles moving directly towards each other), gradient can become arbitrarily large at later times”



Passive scalar

Solid lines: δT

Dashed lines: δv_c



$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = -\left(1 - \frac{2}{D}\right) \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta T = -\delta u \delta T \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta \omega_z = -\delta u \delta \omega_z \quad (\text{only for } D=2) \end{cases}$$

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Scalar increments
MORE intermittent than
transverse velocity, after
initial transient

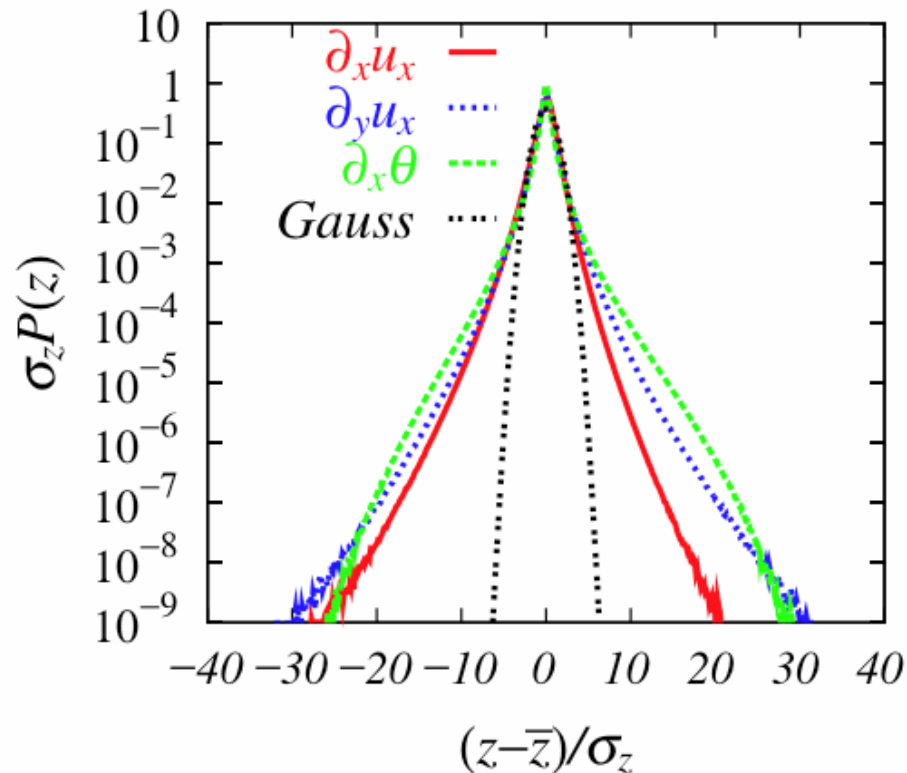
Measured intermittency trends:

Passive scalar transport:

$$\delta T(l) = T(\mathbf{x} + l \mathbf{e}_L) - T(\mathbf{x})$$

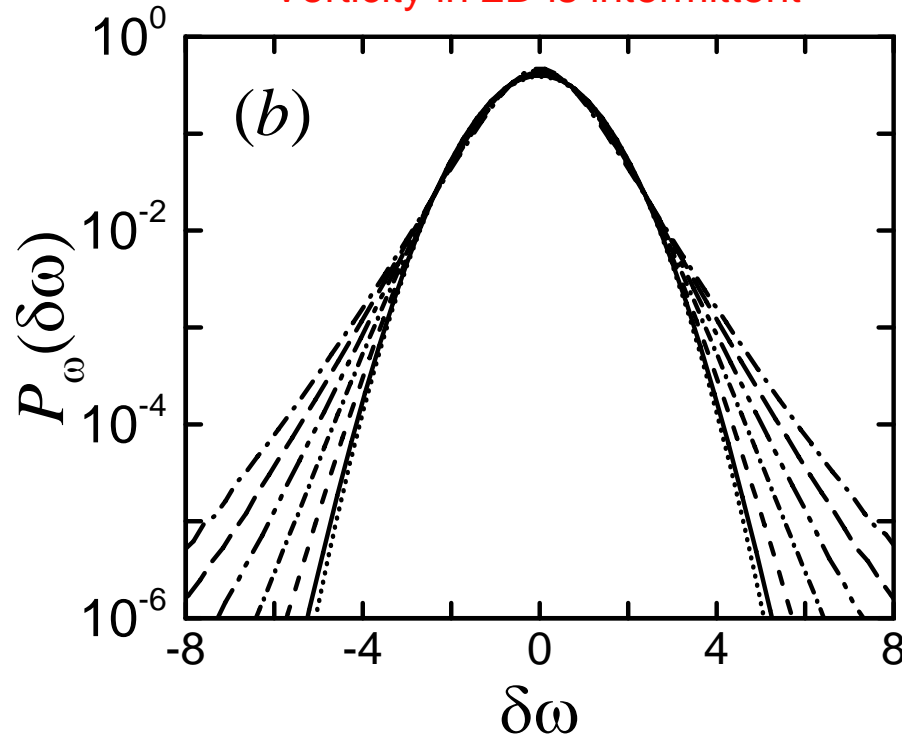
Larger intermittency for scalar increments than for velocity increments

e.g. Antonia et al. Phys. Rev. A 1984, and
Watanabe & Gotoh, NJP, 2004:

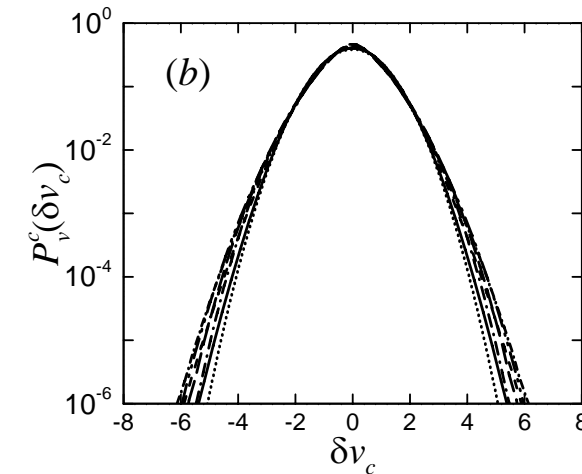
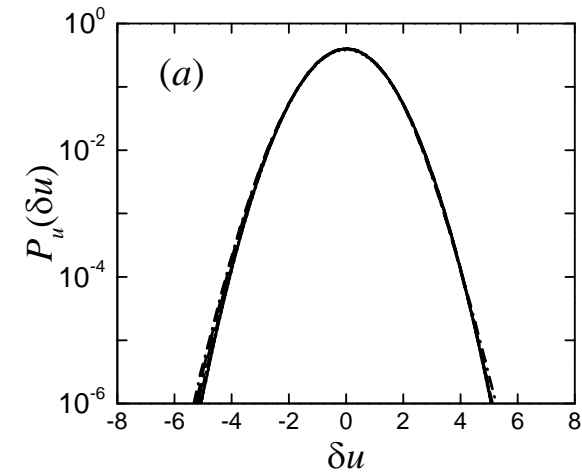


Vorticity in 2D

Vorticity in 2D is intermittent



Recall: velocity in 2D



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = -\left(1 - \frac{2}{D}\right) \delta u^2 + \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta T = -\delta u \delta T \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta \omega_z = -\delta u \delta \omega_z \quad (\text{only for } D=2) \end{array} \right.$$

$$D = 2$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} \delta u = \delta v^2 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta v = -2\delta u \delta v \\ \frac{d}{dt} \delta \omega_z = -\delta u \delta \omega_z \end{array} \right.$$

Measured intermittency trends:

Intermittency in 2-D turbulence for vorticity increments

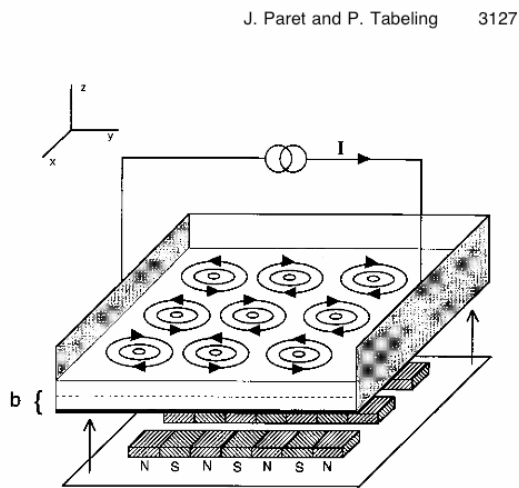


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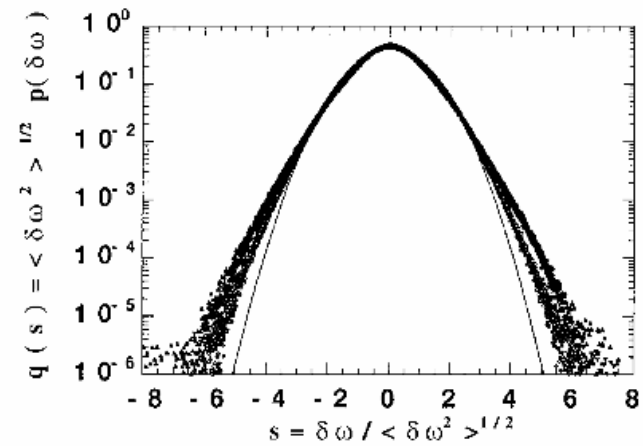


FIG. 5. Normalized distributions of vorticity increments, for five separations of r : 2, 3, 5, 7, and 9 cm.

Paret & Tabeling, Phys. Rev. Lett., 1999

Conclusions so far:

- Non-Gaussian intermittency trends can be explained simply by “Burgers equation-like” dynamics where instead of 1-D we embed a 1-D direction and follow it in a Lagrangian fashion. Non-Gaussian PDFs evolve very quickly (0.3 turn-over time).

- However, for complete local information, we’d need to follow 3 “perpendicular” lines. The we would need

$$3 \times 2 + 3 \text{ angles} = 9$$

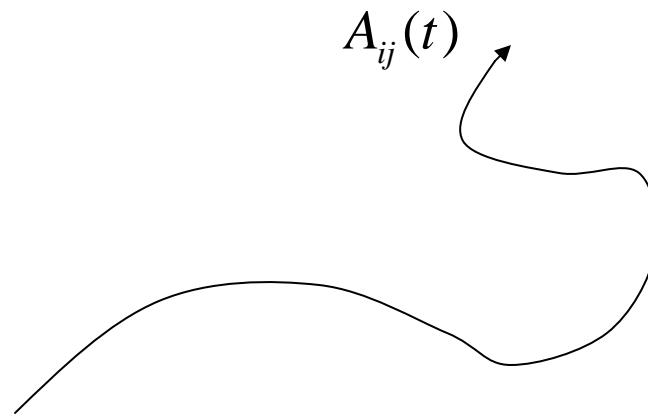
variables to be followed.

- Might as well stay with $A_{ij} \dots$

Lagrangian Stochastic model for full velocity gradient tensor:

$$A_{ij} = \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i}$$

$$\frac{dA_{ij}}{dt} = \underbrace{-A_{iq}A_{qj}}_{\text{Self-stretching}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 A_{ij}}{\partial x_q \partial x_q}}_{\text{unclosed}} + \underbrace{W_{ij}}_{\text{forcing}}$$



L. Chevillard & CM, PRL
2006 (in press)

Review of various models

$$\frac{d}{dt} A_{ij} = -A_{iq} A_{qj} - \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 A_{ij}}{\partial x_q \partial x_q}$$

- Restricted Euler Dynamics (Vieillefosse 84-Cantwell 92)

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = -\frac{\delta_{ij}}{3} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2) \text{ and } \nu = 0 \rightarrow \text{Finite time singularity}$$

- Lognormality of Pseudo-dissipation $\varphi = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T)$ (Girimaji-Pope 90)
→ Strong *a-priori* assumption

- Linear damping term (Martin *et al.* 98)

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = -\frac{\delta_{ij}}{3} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2) \text{ and } \nu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial x_q \partial x_q} = -\frac{1}{\tau} \mathbf{A} \rightarrow \text{Finite time singularity}$$

Using the material **Deformation (Cauchy-Green Tensor C)**

- Tetrad's model (Chertkov-Pumir-Shraiman 99)

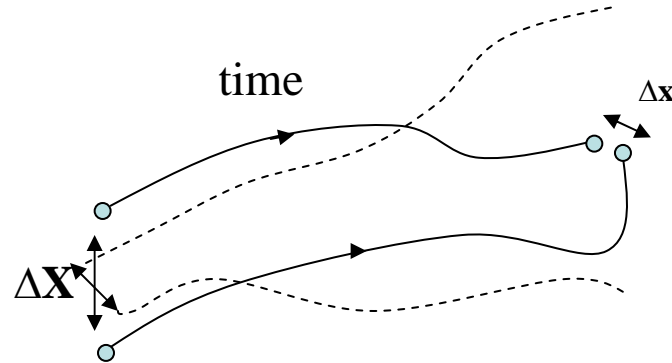
$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = -\frac{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2)}{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{C}^{-1})} C_{ij}^{-1} \text{ and } \nu = 0 \rightarrow \text{Non stationary}$$

- Differential damping term (Jeong-Girimaji 03)

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = -\frac{\delta_{ij}}{3} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2) \text{ and } \nu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial x_q \partial x_q} = -\frac{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{C}^{-1})}{3\tau} \mathbf{A}$$

→ **Non stationary**

Focus on Lagrangian pressure field: $p(X,t)$



Change of variables:

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\partial X_p}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial X_q}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial X_p \partial X_q} + \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial X_q}{\partial x_j} \right) \frac{\partial p}{\partial X_q}$$

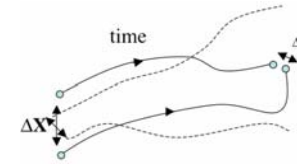
$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \approx \frac{\partial X_p}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial X_q}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial X_p \partial X_q}$$

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2006 (in press):

3 main ingredients

1. Proposed Pressure Hessian model:

Assume that Lagrangian pressure Hessian is isotropic if $t - \tau$ is long enough for “memory loss” of dispersion process



$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \approx \frac{\partial X_p}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial X_q}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial X_p \partial X_q}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial X_p \partial X_q} \approx \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial X_k \partial X_k} \delta_{pq}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \approx (\mathbf{C}^{-1})_{ij} \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial X_k \partial X_k}$$

???

Deformation tensor: $D_{ij} = \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial X_i}$

Cauchy-Green tensor: $C_{ij} = D_{ik} D_{jk}$

Inverse: $(\mathbf{C}^{-1})_{ij} = \frac{\partial X_k}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial X_k}{\partial x_j}$

Poisson constraint: $\frac{dA_{ii}}{dt} = -A_{iq} A_{qi} - \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_i} = 0$

$$(\mathbf{C}^{-1})_{ii} \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial X_k \partial X_k} = -A_{iq} A_{qi}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = - \frac{(\mathbf{C}^{-1})_{ij}}{(\mathbf{C}^{-1})_{nn}} A_{pq} A_{qp}$$

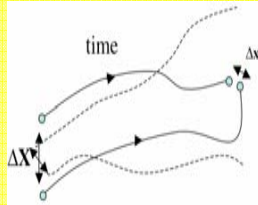
Equivalent to “tetrad model”
(more formally derived)

2. Proposed viscous Hessian model: Similar approach (Jeong & Girimaji, 2003)

Characteristic Lagrangian
displacement after \mathbf{A} 's Lagrangian
correlation time scale (Kolm time):

$$\delta X \sim (\text{disp veloc}) \times (\text{correl time}) \sim u' \tau_K \sim \lambda$$

$\delta X \sim$ Taylor microscale !



$$(\nu / \delta X^2) \sim \nu / \lambda^2 \sim T^{-1}$$

$$\nu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \approx \frac{\partial X_p}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial X_q}{\partial x_j} \nu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial X_p \partial X_q}$$

$$\nu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial X_p \partial X_q} \approx \frac{\nu}{(\delta X)^2} \mathbf{A} \frac{1}{3} \delta_{pq}$$

$$\nu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{A}}{\partial X_p \partial X_q} \approx \frac{1}{T} \mathbf{A} \frac{1}{3} \delta_{pq}$$

$$\nu \frac{\partial^2 A_{ij}}{\partial x_m \partial x_m} \approx -\frac{(\mathbf{C}^{-1})_{mm}}{3T} A_{ij}$$

3. Short-time memory material deformation: (Markovianization)

Equation for deformation tensor:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{D}}{dt} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{A}$$

Formal Solution in terms of time-ordered exponential function:

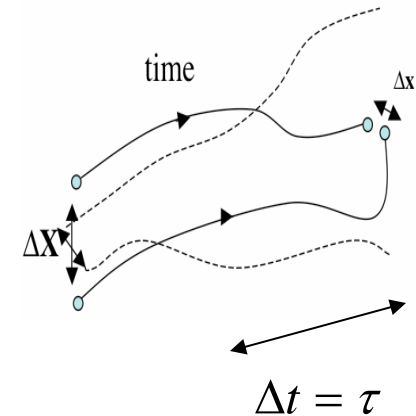
$$\mathbf{D}(t) = \mathbf{D}(0) \prod_{t_0}^t \exp[\mathbf{A}(t')dt'] = \mathbf{D}(t - \tau) \mathbf{d}_\tau(t)$$

where:

$$\mathbf{d}_\tau(t) = \prod_{t-\tau}^t \exp[\mathbf{A}(t')dt'] \approx \exp[\mathbf{A}(t)\tau]$$

Short-time (Markovian) Cauchy-Green:

$$\mathbf{c}_\tau(t) = \exp[\mathbf{A}(t)\tau] \exp[\mathbf{A}^T(t)\tau]$$



Two time-scales tested:

- Mean Kolmogorov time

$$\tau = \tau_K = cT \text{Re}^{-1/2}$$

- Local time: strain-rate from \mathbf{A} :

$$\tau = \Gamma(2S_{ij}S_{ij})^{-1/2}$$

Lagrangian stochastic model for \mathbf{A} :

Set of 9 (8) coupled nonlinear stochastic ODE's:

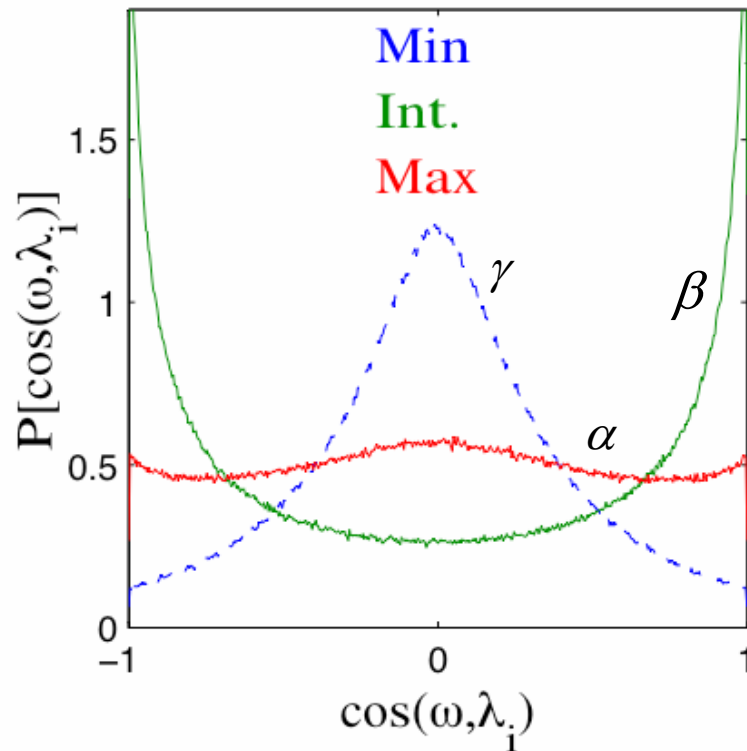
$$d\mathbf{A} = \left(-\mathbf{A}^2 + \frac{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2)}{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_\tau^{-1})} \mathbf{c}_\tau^{-1} - \frac{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_\tau^{-1})}{3T} \mathbf{A} \right) dt + d\mathbf{W}$$

$d\mathbf{W}$: white-in-time Gaussian forcing
(trace-free-isotropic-covariance
structure - unit variance (in units of T))

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2006 (in press):

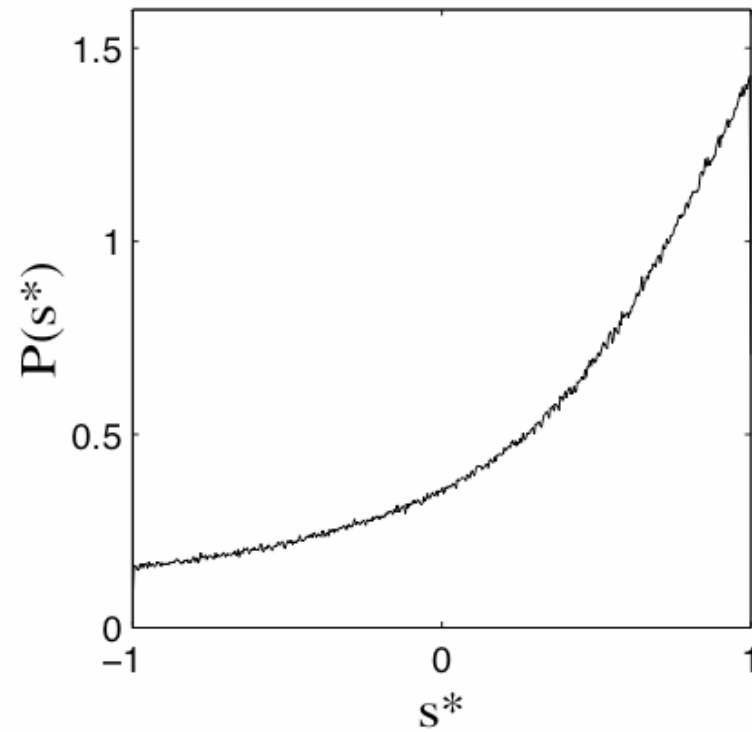
Recall Phenomenology:

Preferential vorticity alignment
(Tsinover, Ashurst et al.):



$$\alpha \geq \beta \geq \gamma$$

Preferred strain-state
(Lund & Rogers, 1994)

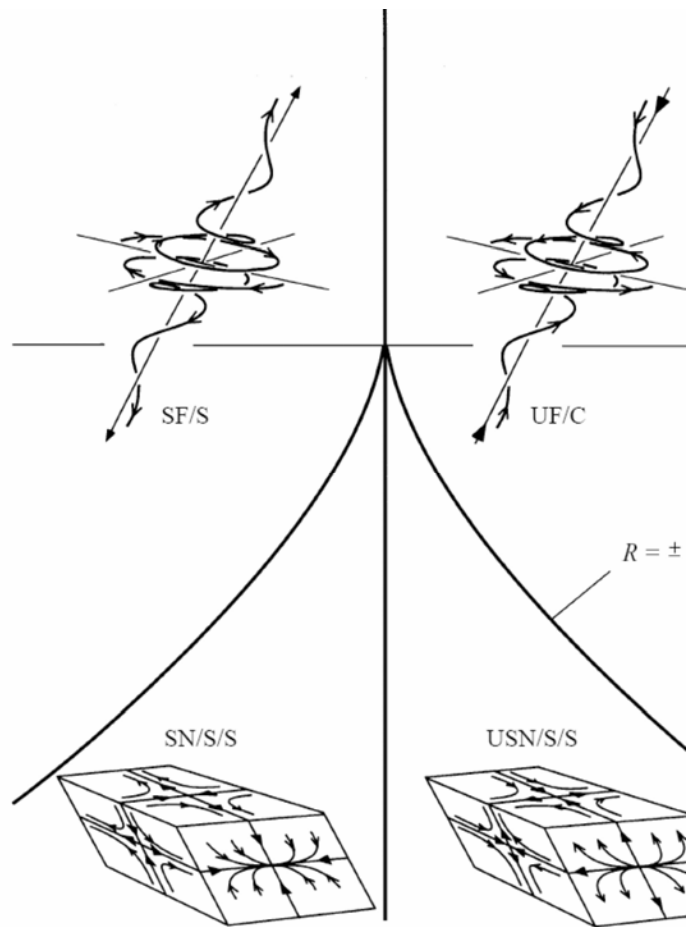


$$s^* = \frac{-3\sqrt{6}\alpha\beta\gamma}{(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2)^{3/2}}$$

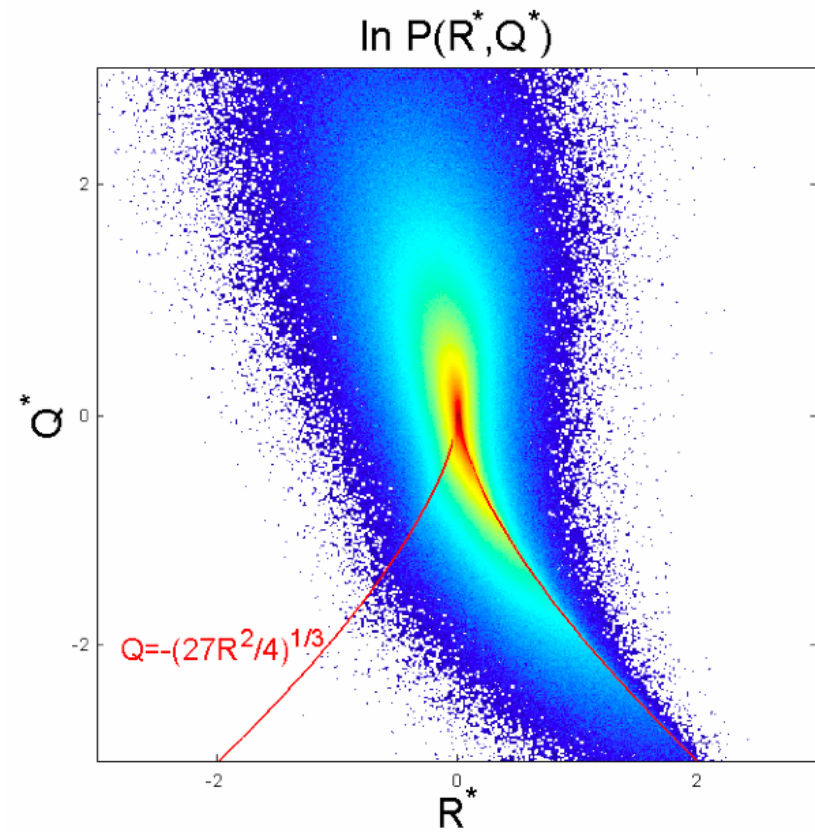
Recall Phenomenology:

Local flow topology (Cantwell, 1992):

$$Q = -\frac{1}{2}A_{pq}A_{qp} \quad R = -\frac{1}{3}A_{pq}A_{qm}A_{mp}$$



DNS data: pearl-shape R-Q plane:



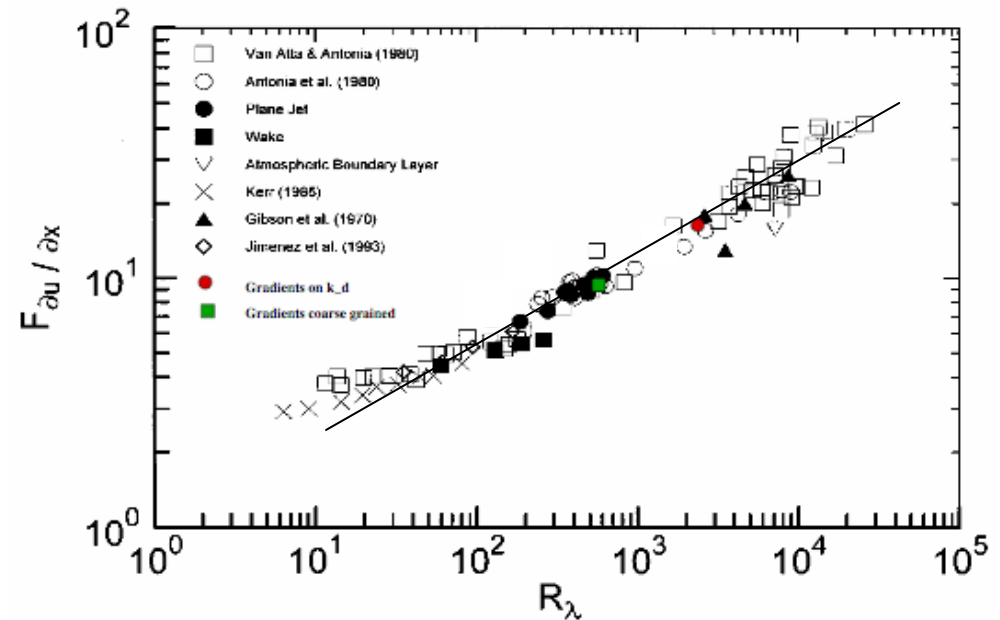
Recall Phenomenology:

Statistical Intermittency (stretched PDFs) and anomalous scaling of moments

$$\langle A_{11}^p \rangle : \text{Re}^{F_L(p)} \Rightarrow \langle A_{11}^p \rangle \sim \langle A_{11}^2 \rangle^{F_L(p)/F_L(2)}$$

$$\langle A_{12}^p \rangle : \text{Re}^{F_T(p)}$$

$$F = \frac{\langle A_{11}^4 \rangle}{\langle A_{11}^2 \rangle^2}$$

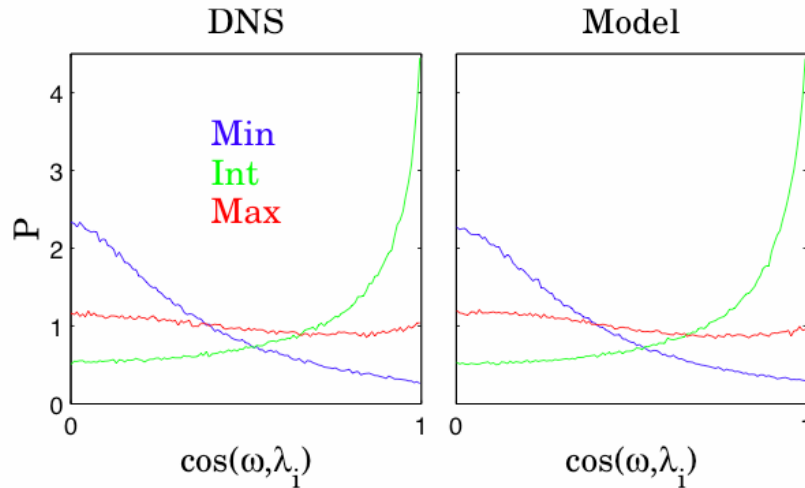


(Sreenivasan & Antonia)

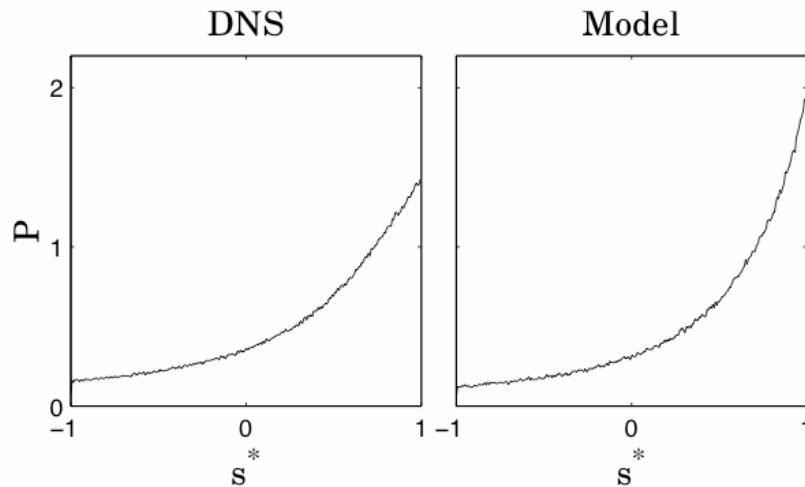
Results & Comparison with DNS:

- DNS: $256^3: R_\lambda = 150$

- Model: $\tau_v/T = 0.1$, consistent with Yeung et al. (JoT 2006) at same R_λ

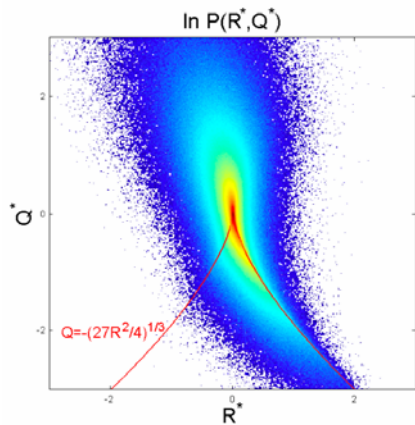
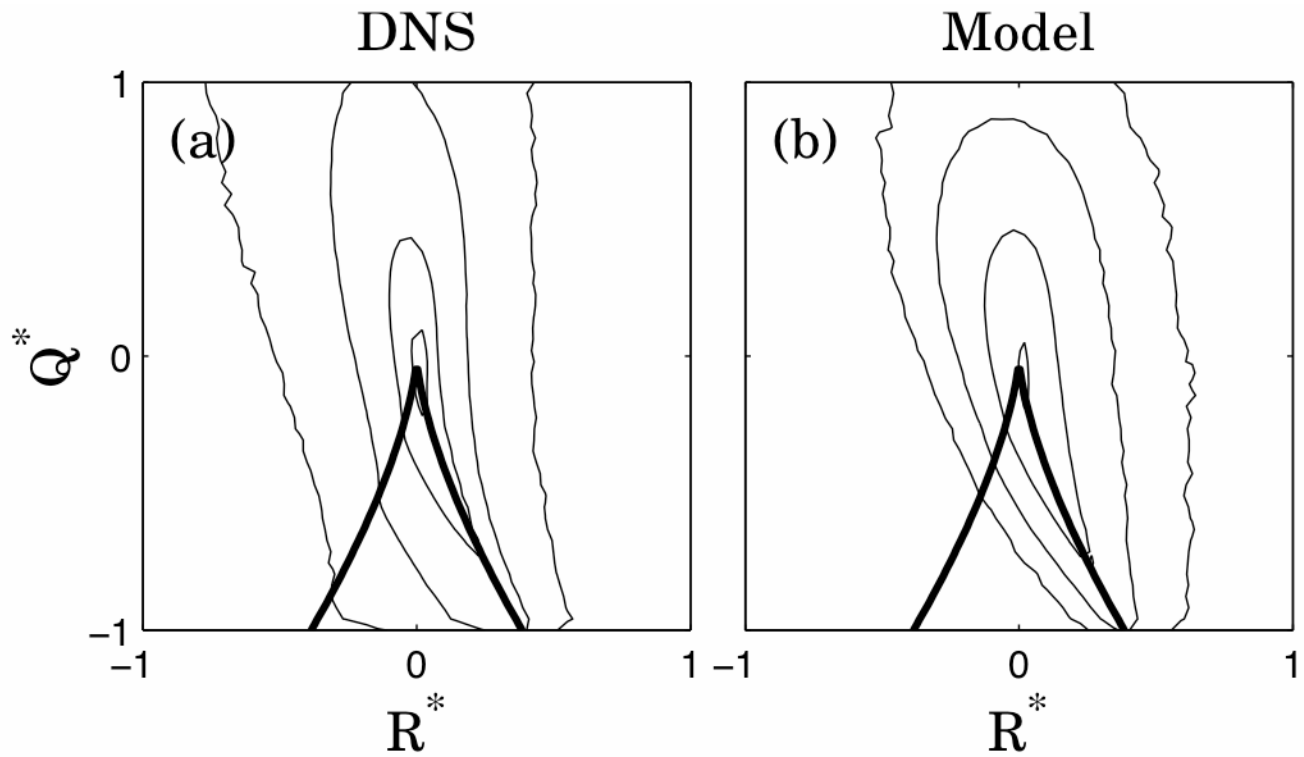


- Alignment of vorticity
 $\mathbf{w} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} : (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^T) / 2$ with
 $\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T) / 2$ eigenvectors
 Best alignment with **intermediate**



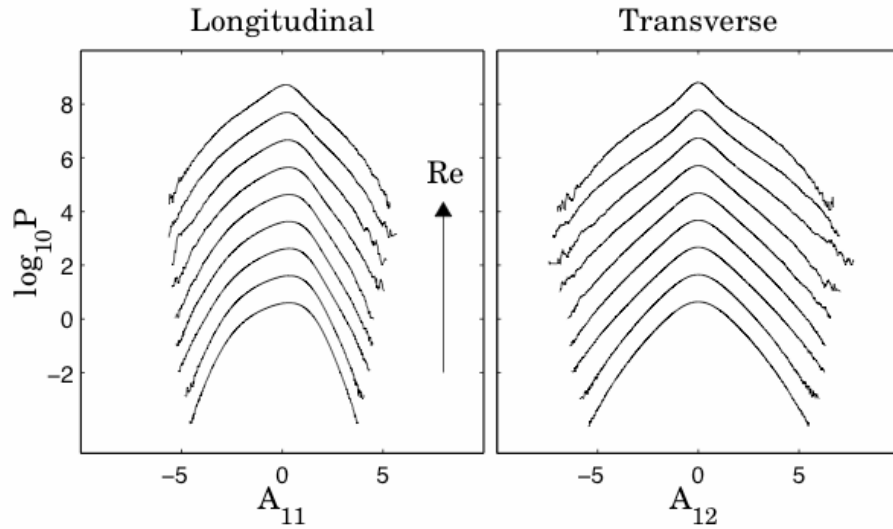
- PDF of strain-state parameter s^* :
 prevalence of **axisymmetric extension**

Results & Comparison with DNS: R-Q diagram



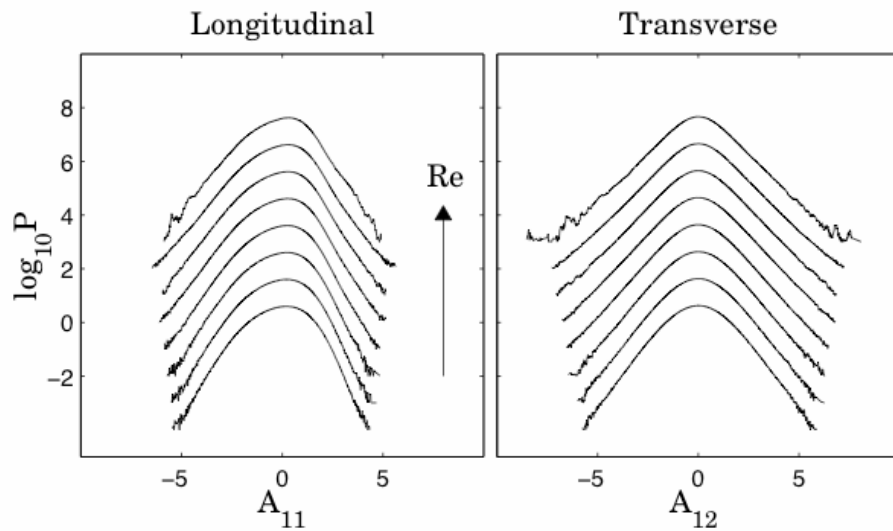
- Shows “Viellefosse tail” also seen in Van der Bos et al (2002) experimental data
- Good but not “perfect” agreement (better than previous tetrad model)

Intermittency (PDFs as function of Re or parameter Γ)



$$\tau = \tau_K:$$

- Deforms as function of Re (realistic),
- Not very realistic at large Re (“ R_λ ” > 200)

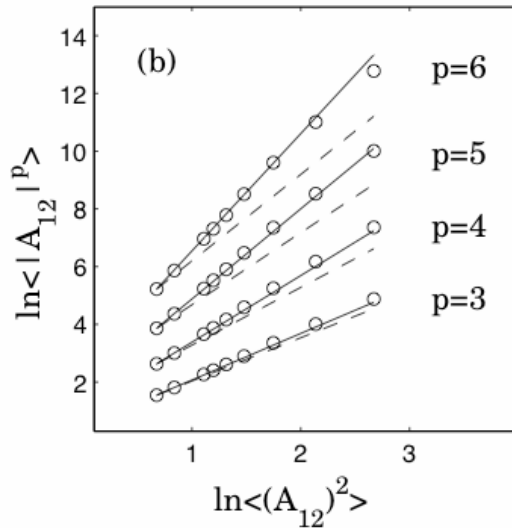
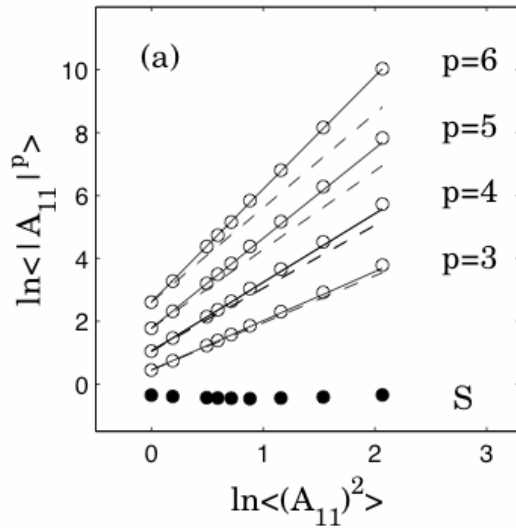
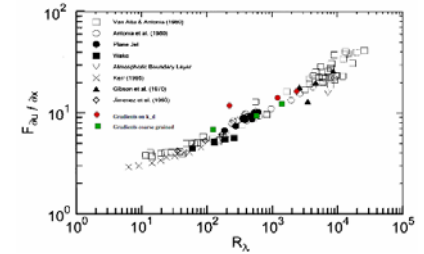


$$\tau = \Gamma / (2\mathbf{S}:\mathbf{S})^{1/2}:$$

- Quite realistic,
- But model diverges if $\Gamma < \Gamma_{\text{crit}}$

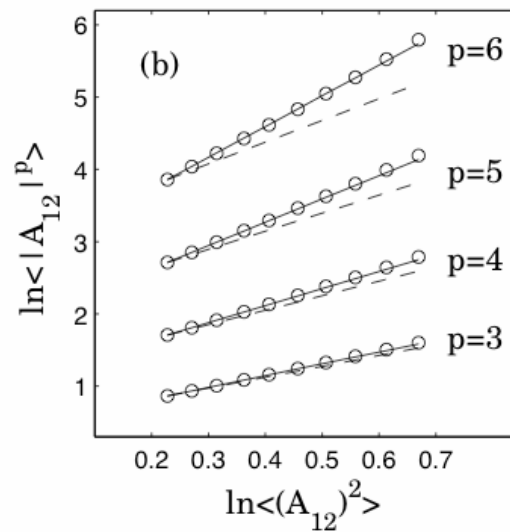
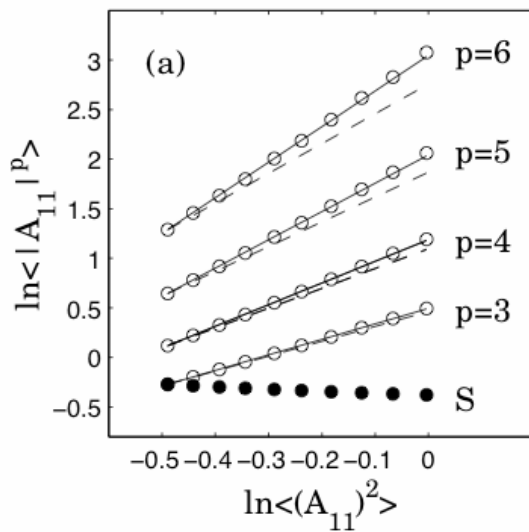
Intermittency (Relative anomalous scaling exponents:)

- - - Kolmogorov (1941), ——— Multifractal scaling (Nelkin 1991)



$$\tau = \tau_K:$$

- $\mu_L = 0.25$
- $\mu_T = 0.36$
- Skewness $S \sim -0.35$ to -0.5



$$\tau = \Gamma / (2S : S)^{1/2} :$$

- $\mu_L = 0.25$
- $\mu_T = 0.40$
- Skewness $S \sim -0.35$ to -0.5

Conclusions:

- **It appears that quite a bit (more than previously thought) about turbulence phenomenology may be understood from “local” - “self-stretching” terms “ $-z^2$ ” or “ $-A^2$ ” - here we have:**
 - **(i) “projected” into special directions that simplify things**
 - **(ii) “modeled” regularizing terms to get stationary behavior for entire A**
- Simple advected delta-vee system “explains” many qualitative intermittency trends from a very low-dimensional system of ODEs - long time behavior wrong....
- Statistically stationary system of 8 forced ODE’s has been proposed - derived from grad(Navier-Stokes) and using physically motivated models for pressure Hessian and viscous Hessian
- Model reproduces structural geometric features of turbulence (RQ, s^* , alignments) **and** statistical intermittency measures such as long tails in PDFs, stronger intermittency in transverse directions, and anomalous relative scaling exponents (in a small range of Re).