

Application of wall forcing methods in a turbulent channel flow using Incompact3d

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Most of large scale engineering flows are turbulent

- Atmosphere
- Transportation (automobile, airplanes, ships, ...)
- Blood flow in heart

Aim of flow control → modify the characteristics of a flow field favourably

- Suppression or enhancement of turbulence
- Dissipation of kinetic energy by turbulent flow around objects
- Increase of resistance to their motion → Drag
- Component of the force experienced by a body, parallel to the direction of motion

Enhancement of turbulence

- Mixture in combustion: quality of the fuel-air mixture determines power generation efficiency
- Process industry: quality of mixtures affects chemical reaction rates and purity of final products

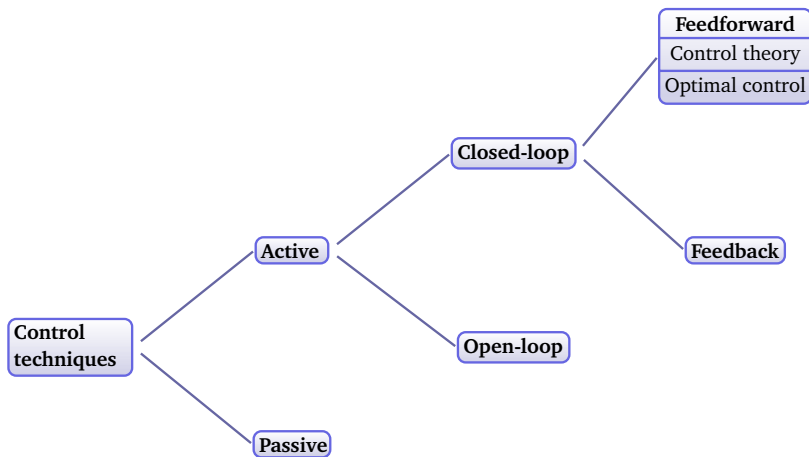
Reduction of turbulence

- Drag reduction techniques \Rightarrow energy consumption issues
- Half of the total drag experienced by an aircraft accounts for skin-friction
- Aircraft industry demonstration test: Coverage of fuselage surface with riblet films \Rightarrow \searrow resistance by 2%
- Fuel cost savings (Airbus A320) $\Rightarrow 5 \times 10^4$ L/year \Leftrightarrow saving 200 million \$/year

Difficulty in control design \Rightarrow turbulence \rightarrow multiscale phenomenon \Leftrightarrow coupling of system macroscopic size (L) & Kolmogorov scale (η) by the chaotic process of vortex stretching

- Two main groups \Rightarrow active and passive
- Categorisation relying on energy expenditure
- **Passive** \Rightarrow no energy added in the flow \rightarrow longitudinal grooves or riblets on a surface
- **Active** \Rightarrow input of energy in the flow \rightarrow blowing and suction jets in opposition control [1]
- Based on the control loops \rightarrow active techniques categorisation:
 - open-loop (predetermined)
 - closed-loop (interactive)

¹H. Choi, P. Moin, J. Kim, Active turbulence control for drag reduction in wall-bounded flows, J. Fluid Mech., 262, 75–110, 1994



- Skin-friction coefficient

$$C_f = \frac{2\tau_w^*}{\rho^* U_b^2} \quad (1)$$

- Friction velocity

$$u_\tau^* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_w^*}{\rho^*}} = \sqrt{\nu^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*}} \Big|_{\text{wall}} \quad (2)$$

- Reduction of velocity gradient \Rightarrow reduction in drag
- Spanwise wall oscillations (active/open-loop)
- Steady rotating discs [2] (active/open-loop)
- Oscillating rotating discs (active/open-loop)
- Hydrophobic surfaces

²Keefe, Method and apparatus for reducing the drag of flows over surfaces - US Patent - 1998

- Applying control to

Navier-Stokes - continuity equations \Rightarrow (PDEs)

- PDEs state-space \Rightarrow infinite-dimensional $\rightarrow u_x = 0 \Rightarrow$ any $f(y)$ solution \Rightarrow infinite dimensional solutions space \neq ODEs state-space $\rightarrow dy/dt = 0 \Rightarrow$ solutions in \mathbb{R}^p
- Right framework to deal with infinite-dimensional state space solutions \Rightarrow **Functional analysis**
- **Functional analysis framework**: functions studied as part of **normed** and **complete** + inner product \Rightarrow **Hilbert**
- **Why Functional Analysis?** \Rightarrow **Banach- L^p** spaces too broad for analysing PDEs solution
- **Regularity** properties not always verified in L^p spaces
- **Further assumptions** \Rightarrow higher order derivatives to ensure regularity (and boundedness) of solutions
- "Higher-order" spaces \Rightarrow **Sobolev** \rightarrow energy spaces

Motivation: design control laws to stabilise a specified equilibrium for the NSE

- NSE \rightarrow nonlinear \Rightarrow nonlinear stability analysis
- Depart from a Lyapunov function \rightarrow energy of the system
- Choose the right norm
- **Example:** function $f(t,x)$ (perturbed variable) with $x \in (0, 1)$, within $L^2(0, 1) \rightarrow$ prove that:

$$\|f(t)\|_{L^2(0,1)} \leq C_1 e^{-C_2 t} \|f(0)\|_{L^2(0,1)} \quad (3)$$

$C_1 \geq 1$ overshoot coefficient - $C_2 > 0$ decay rate

- Find conditions for stability \rightarrow not necessarily nonlinear

Application

- **Previous work:** Control law in 2D channel flow \rightarrow based on wall-tangential actuation (Balogh *et al.* [3]):

$$u(x, y = \pm 1, t) = \mp k \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, \pm 1, t) \quad (4)$$

- Extension to 3D channel flow carried out
- Link the mathematical formulation with a physical problem \Rightarrow hydrophobic surfaces \Rightarrow modification of no-slip condition:

$$u = L_s \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_{\text{wall}} \quad (5)$$

- \Rightarrow Mathematical parameter in [3] \Leftrightarrow slip-length
- Relevant scales for MEMS \rightarrow embedded sensors and actuators in the walls to measure local shear

³A. Balogh, W. Liu, M. Krstic, Stability Enhancement by boundary control in 2D channel flow - IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, Vol.46, No.11 - 2001

- **Objective** \Rightarrow stabilize a parabolic profile
- Boundary control laws \Rightarrow decaying kinetic energy w.r.t time \otimes
- Lyapunov-based approach using Lyapunov function:

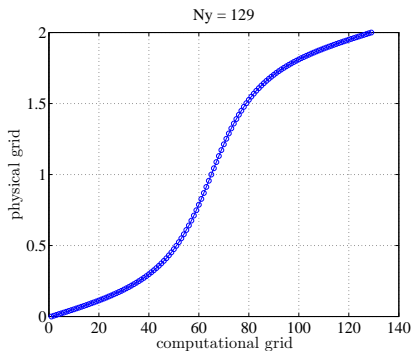
$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \|\mathbf{w}\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 = \int_0^{L_z} \int_{-1}^{+1} \int_0^{L_x} (u^2 + v^2 + w^2) dx dy dz \quad (6)$$

- \otimes translates as $\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C_1 e^{-C_2(t-t_0)} \|\mathbf{w}(t_0)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$
- **Procedure:** (a) take time derivative of Eq.(6) - (b) apply control - (c) prove regularity of solutions (involving Sobolev spaces)

L_x	L_y	L_z	Re_p	Δt	time scheme
4π	2.0	$4\pi/3$	4200.0	2.5×10^{-3}	AB2

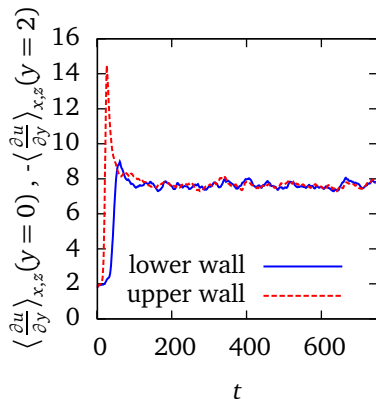
$$L^+ = L \times Re_\tau \quad U^+ = U \times \frac{Re_p}{Re_\tau} \quad T^+ = T \times \frac{Re_\tau^2}{Re_p}$$

Parabolic profile, constant mass flow rate, stretched wall-normal



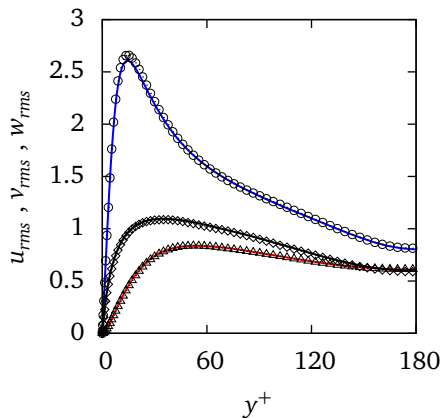
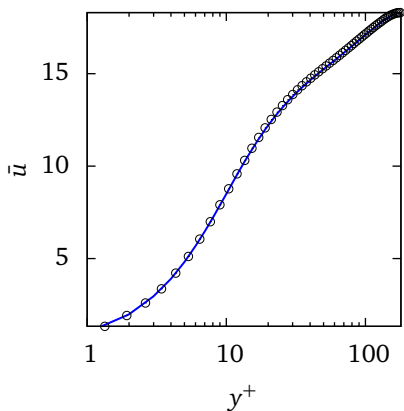
Database of [4] used for comparison at $Re_\tau = 180$

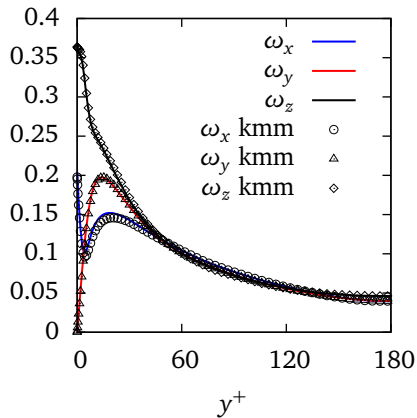
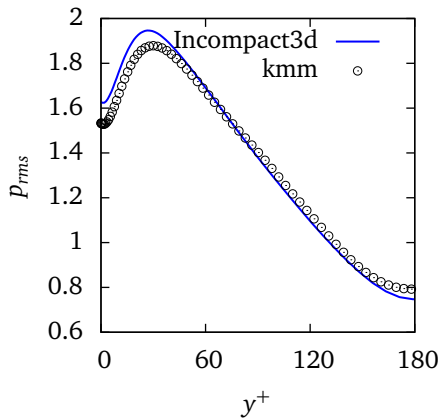
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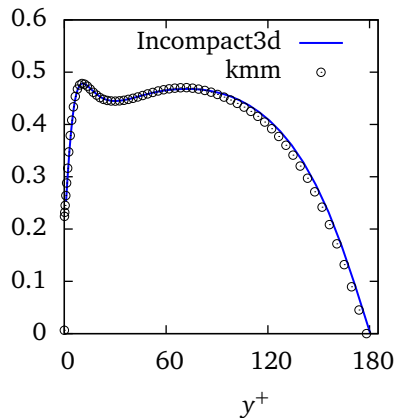
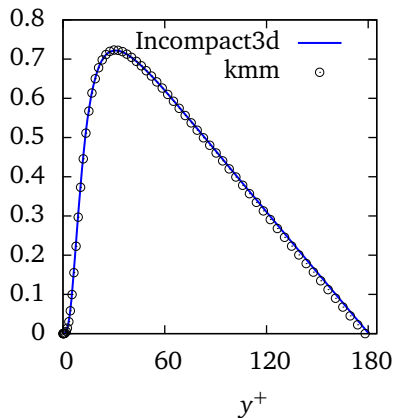


⁴R. Moser, J. Kim, N. Mansour, Direct Numerical Simulations of turbulent channel flow up to $Re_\tau = 590$, Phys. of Fluids, 1999

$\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \rangle_{x,z} _{\text{walls}}$	Re_τ	$C_{f,0}$
7.64	179.1	8.18×10^{-3}



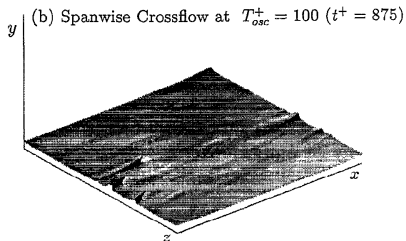
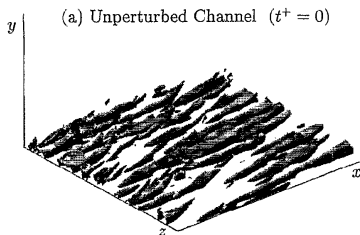




Profiles for \overline{u} and $\frac{\overline{uv}}{u_{rms}v_{rms}}$

Spanwise wall oscillations: Overview

- DNS of channel flow with this forcing [5] \Rightarrow Drag reduction
- **Structure of forcing** $\rightarrow w = W_m \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)$
- Dependent on magnitude and period of forcing
- Maximum DR of 40% for $T_{\text{opt}}^+ = 100$
- Experimentally [6] found DR $\sim 35\%$

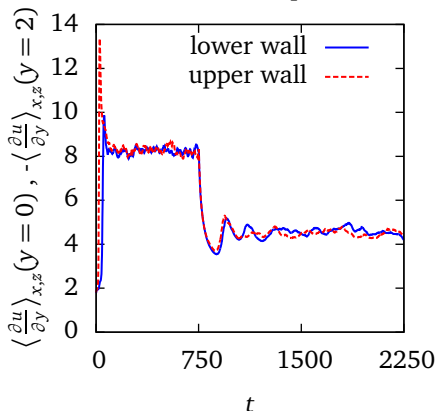


⁵Jung *et. al*, Physics of Fluids, 4, pp 1605–1607 - 1992

⁶Laadhari *et. al*, Physics of Fluids, 6, pp 3218–3220 - 1994

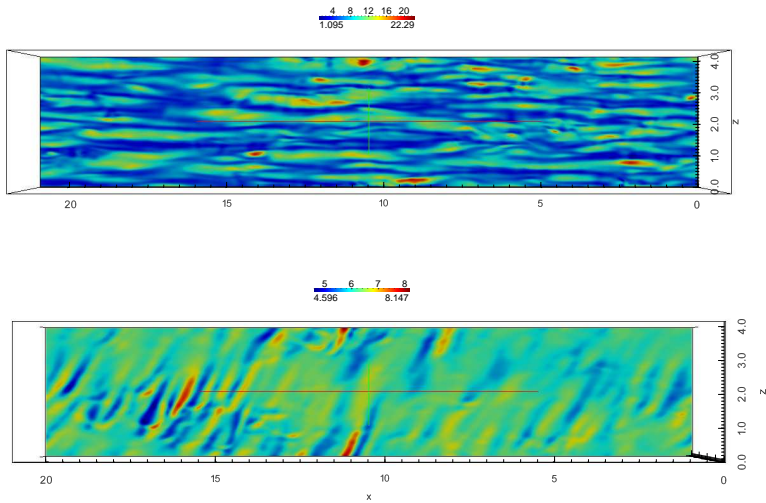
L_x	L_y	L_z	n_x	n_y	n_z	Re_τ	W_m^+	T^+
4π	2.0	$4\pi/3$	256	129	128	200	27.0	125.0

$DR_{[7]} = 44.5\%$ vs $DR_{\text{Incompact3d}} = 44.8\%$

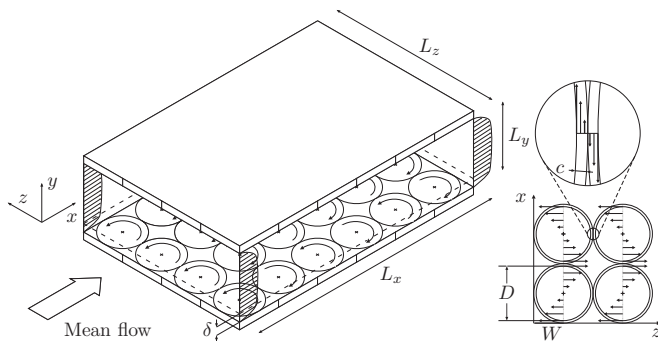


⁷M. Quadrio, P. Ricco, J. Fluid Mech., 521, pp 251–271 - 2004

Vorticity map at the wall



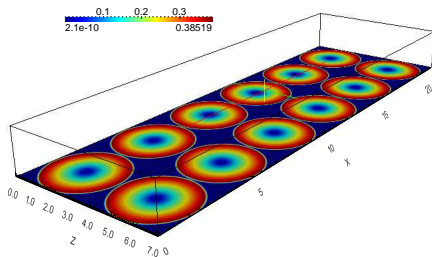
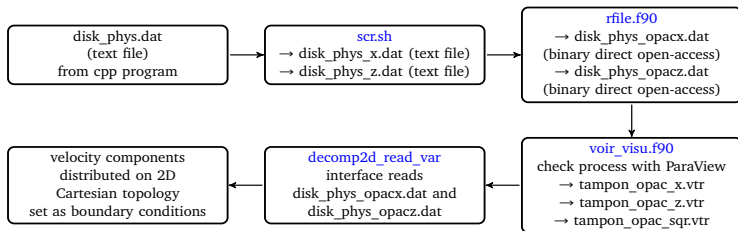
Steady discs rotation: overview



- Active method for DR \Rightarrow **injecting vorticity**
- Proposed as part of a patent by Keefe. Numerical study in [8]
- Relevant parameters $\rightarrow (D, W)$, diameter and maximum tip velocity of the disc

⁸P. Ricco, S. Hahn, J. Fluid Mech., 722, pp 267–290, 2013

Steady discs rotation: implementation



Steady discs rotation: simulations

$$L_x \times L_y \times L_z = 6.79\pi \times 2.0 \times 2.26\pi - Re_p = 4200 - Nd_x \times Nd_z = 6 \times 2 - \Delta t = 0.0025 - D^+ = 640 - W^+ = 9$$

$$KMM \rightarrow C_f \cdot 10^3 = 8.18$$

$$\text{BASE CASE} \rightarrow nx \times ny \times nz = 384 \times 129 \times 256$$

$C_{f,0} \cdot 10^3$	$C_{f,0} \cdot 10^3$	$C_f \cdot 10^3$	$C_f \cdot 10^3$
Ricco-Hahn	Incompact3d	Ricco-Hahn	Incompact3d
8.25	8.15	6.64	6.62

$$\text{HIGH RESOLUTION IN } x \rightarrow nx \times ny \times nz = 480 \times 129 \times 224$$

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Ricco-Hahn	Incompact3d	Ricco-Hahn	Incompact3d
8.25	8.13	6.65	6.62

$$\text{HIGH RESOLUTION IN } z \rightarrow nx \times ny \times nz = 384 \times 129 \times 320$$

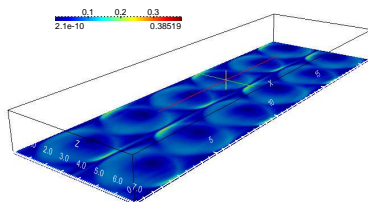
$C_{f,0} \cdot 10^3$	$C_{f,0} \cdot 10^3$	$C_f \cdot 10^3$	$C_f \cdot 10^3$
Ricco-Hahn	Incompact3d	Ricco-Hahn	Incompact3d
8.24	8.13	6.63	6.61

$$\text{HIGH RESOLUTION IN } x,y,z \rightarrow nx \times ny \times nz = 512 \times 257 \times 320$$

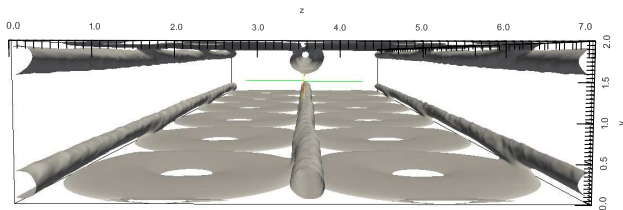
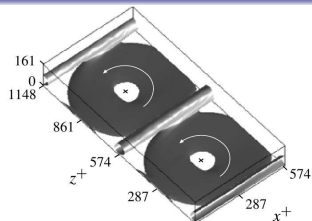
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N/A	8.13	N/A	6.63

Steady discs rotation: flow visualisations

- $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_m + \mathbf{u}_d + \mathbf{u}_t \Rightarrow$ Disc flow: $\mathbf{u}_d = (u_d, v_d, w_d) = \bar{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{u}_m$
- Mean flow: $\mathbf{u}_m(y) = \langle \bar{\mathbf{u}} \rangle$ with $\bar{\mathbf{f}} \triangleq \frac{1}{t_f - t_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathbf{f} dt$ and $\langle \mathbf{f} \rangle \triangleq \frac{1}{L_x L_z} \int_0^{L_z} \int_0^{L_x} \mathbf{f} dx dz$
- Compute 3D $\sqrt{u_d^2 + w_d^2}$ in diagnostic tool + ParaView

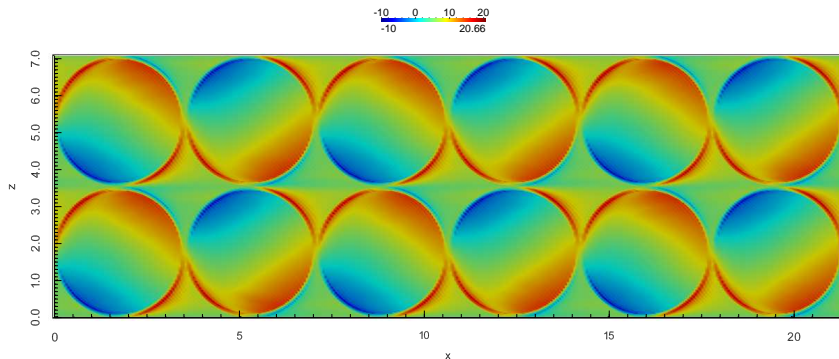


Steady discs rotation: flow visualisations



Isosurface representation $\sqrt{u_d^2 + w_d^2} = 0.09$

Steady discs rotation: flow visualisations



- Time average of the streamwise wall friction $\overline{\left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0}}$ in time window $[t_i h/U_p; t_f h/U_p] = [750; 2250]$
- Large regions of negative wall-shear stress

Oscillating discs

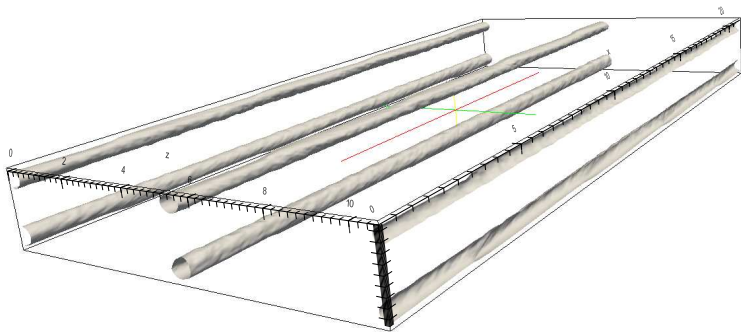
- Rotating discs subject to an oscillatory motion
- Disc tip velocity $\rightarrow W = W_m \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{T}\right)$
- Case giving optimal drag reduction

xlx	yty	zlz	nx	ny	nz	Δt	Re_p
6.79π	2.0	3.39π	384	129	384	2.5×10^{-3}	4200.0

Nd_x	Nd_z	D^+	W^+	T^+
4	2	960	12.0	10^3

Ricco (Conf.)	Incompact3d	Ricco (Conf.)	Incompact3d
$C_{f,0} \cdot 10^3$	$C_{f,0} \cdot 10^3$	$C_f \cdot 10^3$	$C_f \cdot 10^3$
8.18	8.13	6.54	6.52

Oscillating discs



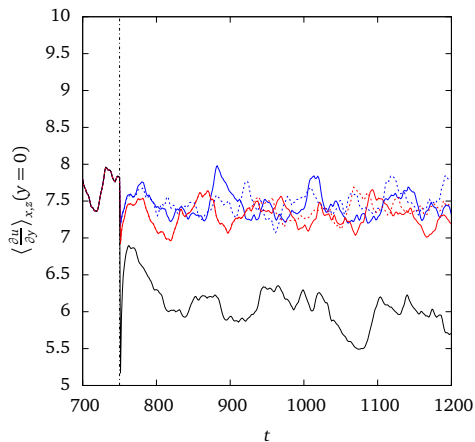
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Hydrophobic surface: finite slip length

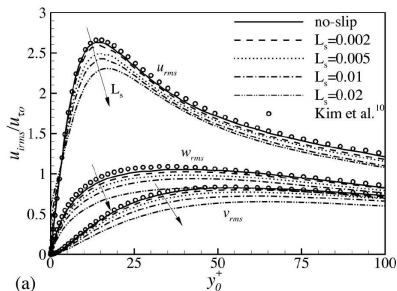
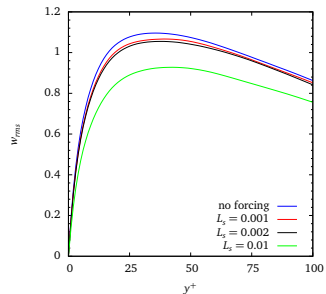
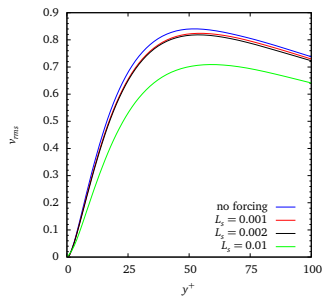
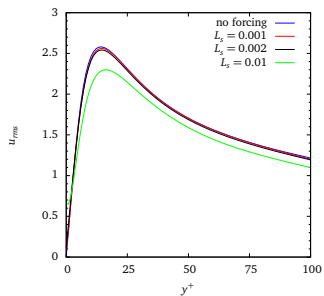
- Studied by Min-Kim (2004) with BC forcing term: $u = L_s \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \Big|_{\text{wall}}$
- u , w and (u, w) can be forced but u gives optimal DR
- $u^{n+1} \Big|_{\text{wall}} = u^n \Big|_{\text{wall}} + L_s \frac{\partial u^n}{\partial y} \Big|_{\text{wall}}$
- **Problem:** Enforce BC at each time step \Rightarrow Generation of a thin boundary layer [10] \Rightarrow Numerical instability
- Solution in [10] \rightarrow (1) keep the same BC for several time steps - (2) continuous update
- Solution adopted:
 - compute $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ at 1st time step - pass it as BC $\forall t$ ($L_s = 10^{-3}$ (s), $L_s = 2 \times 10^{-3}$ (s) and $L_s = 10^{-2}$ (s))
 - compute $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ at each time step - pass it as BC ($L_s = 10^{-3}$ (s), $L_s = 2 \times 10^{-3}$ (s) and $L_s = 10^{-2}$ (u))

¹⁰C. Lee, P. Moin, J. Kim, Control of the viscous sublayer for drag reduction, J. Fluid Mech., 14, 2523–2529, 2002

Hydrophobic surface: preliminary results



Hydrophobic surface: statistics



(a)

Hydrophobic surface: Summary

L_s	0.001	0.002	0.01
test_1	updated	updated	crashed
test_2	constant	constant	constant

L_s	$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$	DR	DR (Kim-Min 2004)
0.001	updated	2.1%	2%
0.001	constant	2.4%	2%
0.002	updated	4.9%	5%
0.002	constant	4.9%	5%
0.01	updated	NA	18%
0.01	constant	17%	18%

- Incompact3d efficiently dealing with various drag reduction methods
- High scalability allows for future control studies with larger Reynolds number