



Space and scale fluxes of Reynolds stresses in turbulent channel flows

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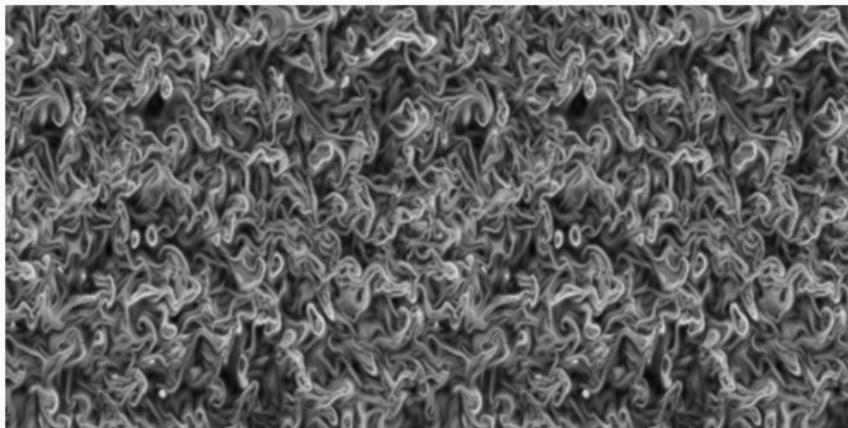
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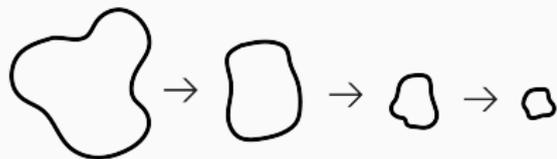
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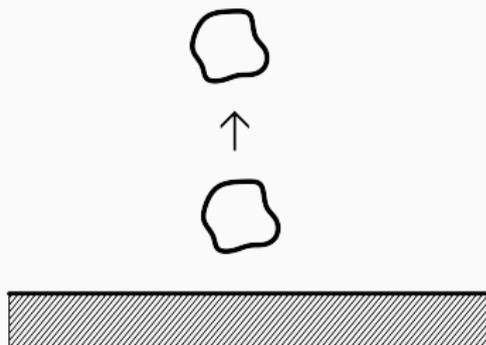
... production, dissipation and transport of turbulent energy!

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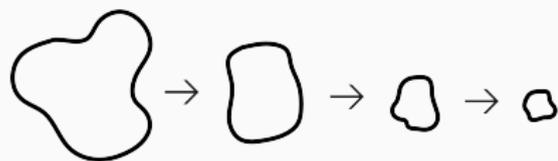


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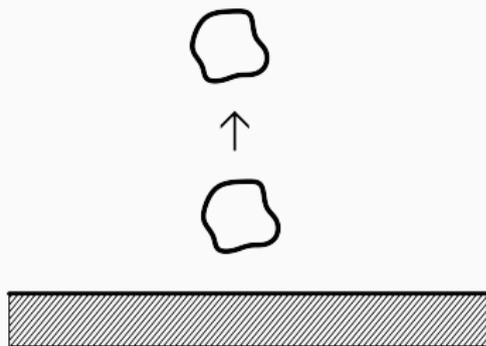


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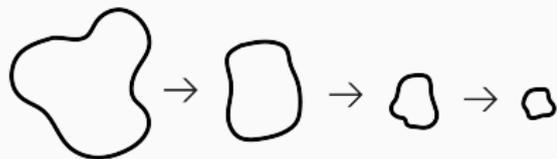
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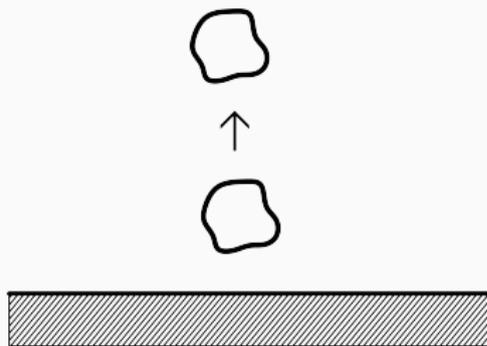
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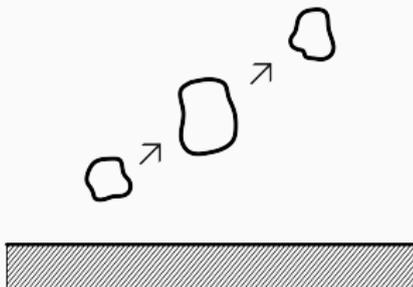


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For instance: Modeling (Large-eddies simulations)

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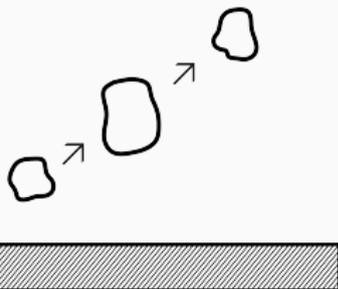
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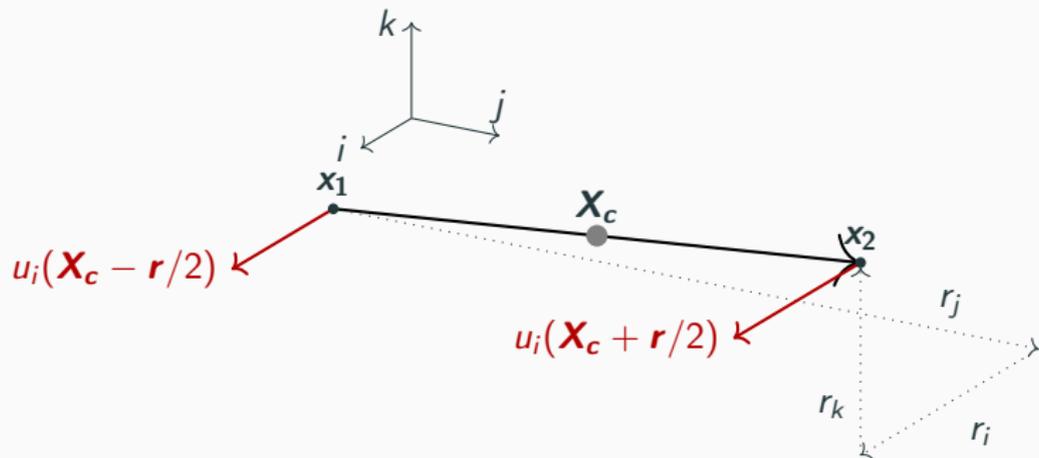


- How?

Budget equation for $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle$

$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle$

$$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle \rightarrow \delta u_i = (u_i(\mathbf{X}_c + \mathbf{r}/2, t) - u_i(\mathbf{X}_c - \mathbf{r}/2, t))$$

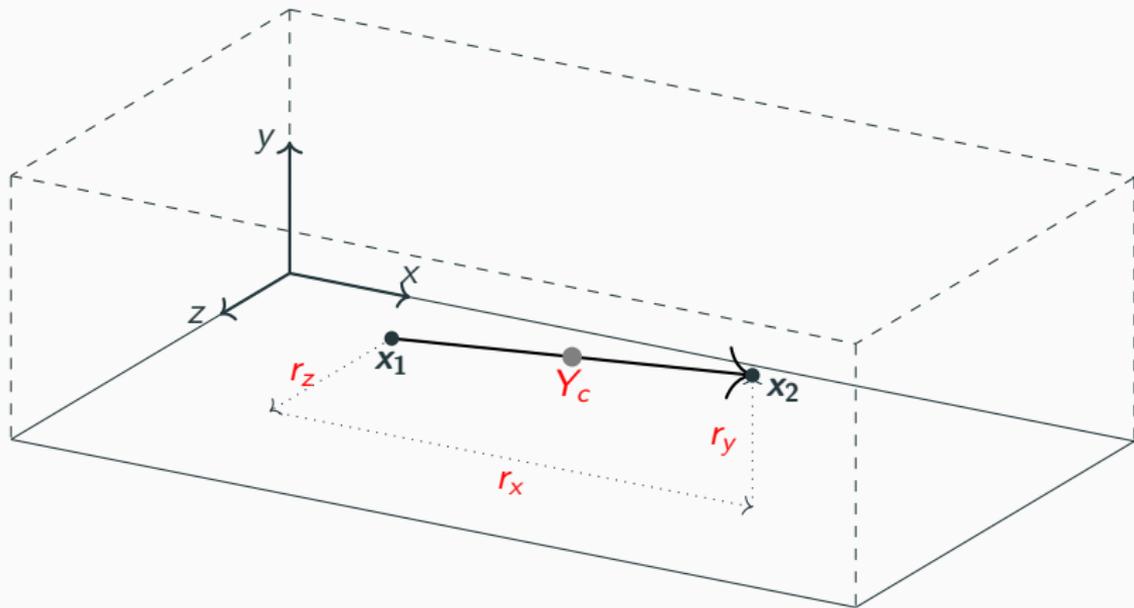


Dependent on:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{X}_c = (\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2)/2 \\ \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1 \end{cases}$$

$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle$: indefinite plane channel

$$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle \rightarrow \langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle (Y_c, r_x, r_y, r_z)$$



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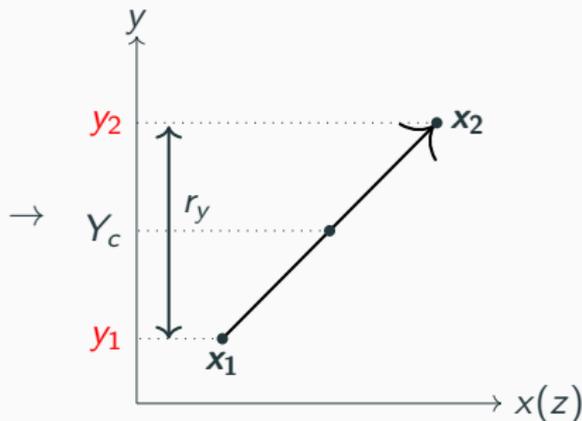
$$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle(Y_c, r_x, r_y, r_z) = \underbrace{\langle u_i u_k \rangle|_{y_1} + \langle u_i u_k \rangle|_{y_2}}_{\text{sum of variances}} - \underbrace{2R_{u_i|y_1 u_k|y_2}(r_x, r_z)}_{\text{Cross-correlation}}$$

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$$y_1 = Y_c - r_y/2$$

$$y_2 = Y_c + r_y/2$$



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$$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle(Y_c, r_x, r_y, r_z) \neq \langle u_i u_k \rangle|_{y_1} + \langle u_i u_k \rangle|_{y_2}$$

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$$R_{u_i|_{y_1} u_k|_{y_2}}(r_x, r_z) \neq 0$$

Coherent structures!

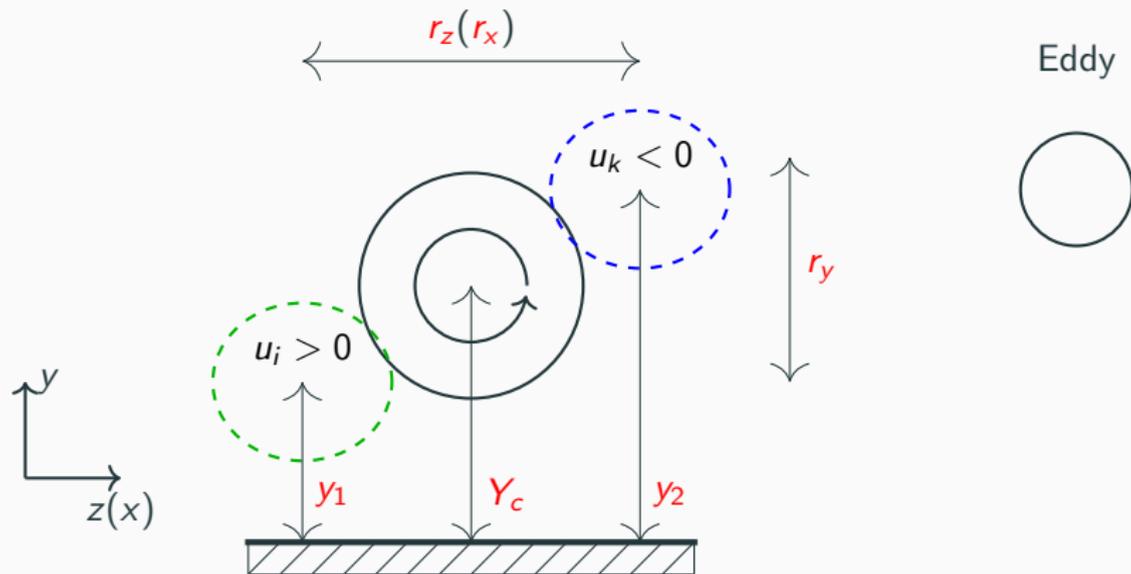


$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle$: indefinite plane channel

$$\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle (Y_c, r_x, r_y, r_z) > \underbrace{\langle u_i u_k \rangle|_{y_1} + \langle u_i u_k \rangle|_{y_2}}_{\text{sum of variances}} - \underbrace{2R_{u_i|y_1 u_k|y_2}(r_x, r_z)}_{\text{Cross-correlation}}$$

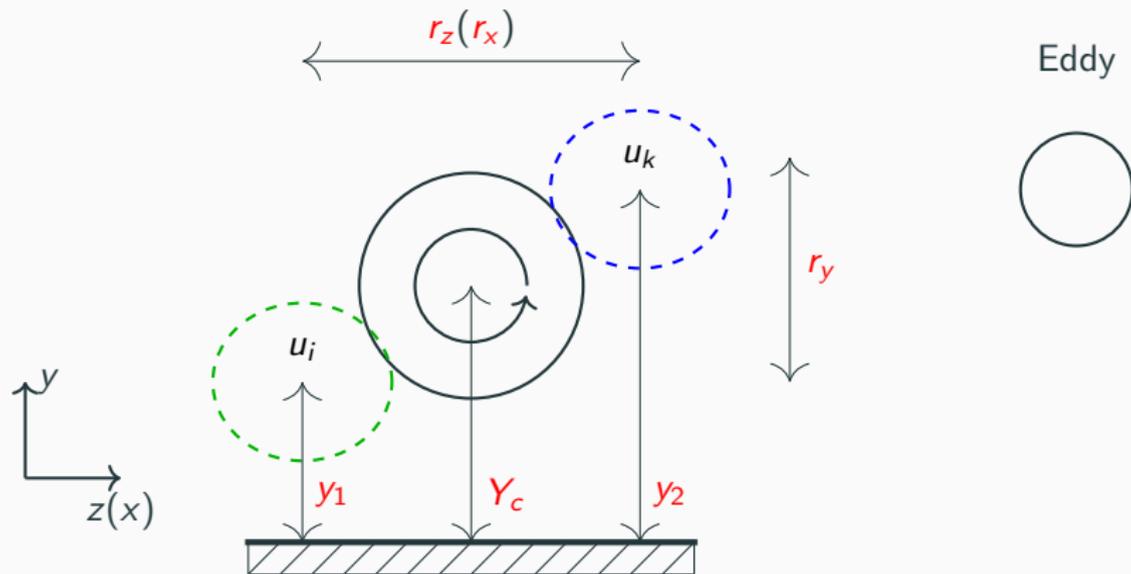
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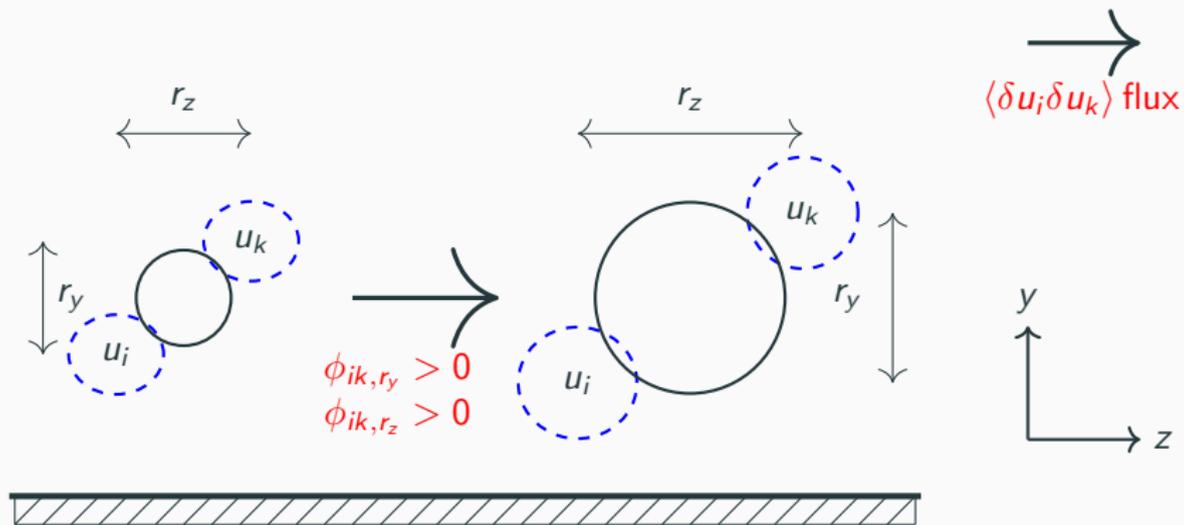
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$$\xi_{ik} = \underbrace{\Pi_{ik}}_{\text{Production}} + \underbrace{P_{\text{strain},ik}}_{\text{Pressure Strain}} + \underbrace{\epsilon_{ik}}_{\text{Dissipation}}$$

- $\xi(Y_c, \mathbf{r}) \rightarrow$ Net production of $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle$ at scale \mathbf{r} and position Y_c

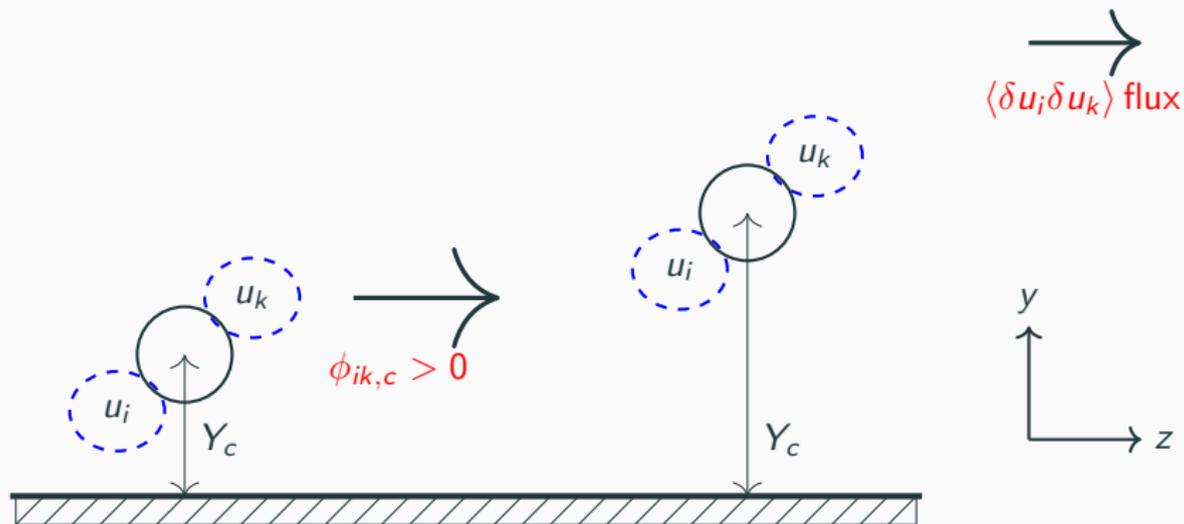
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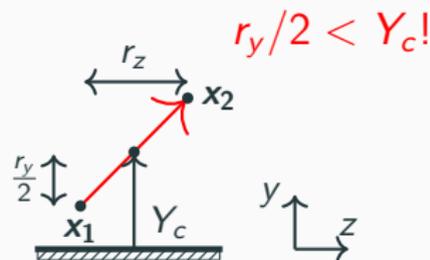
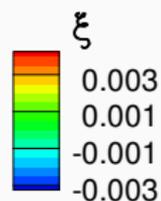
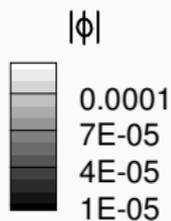
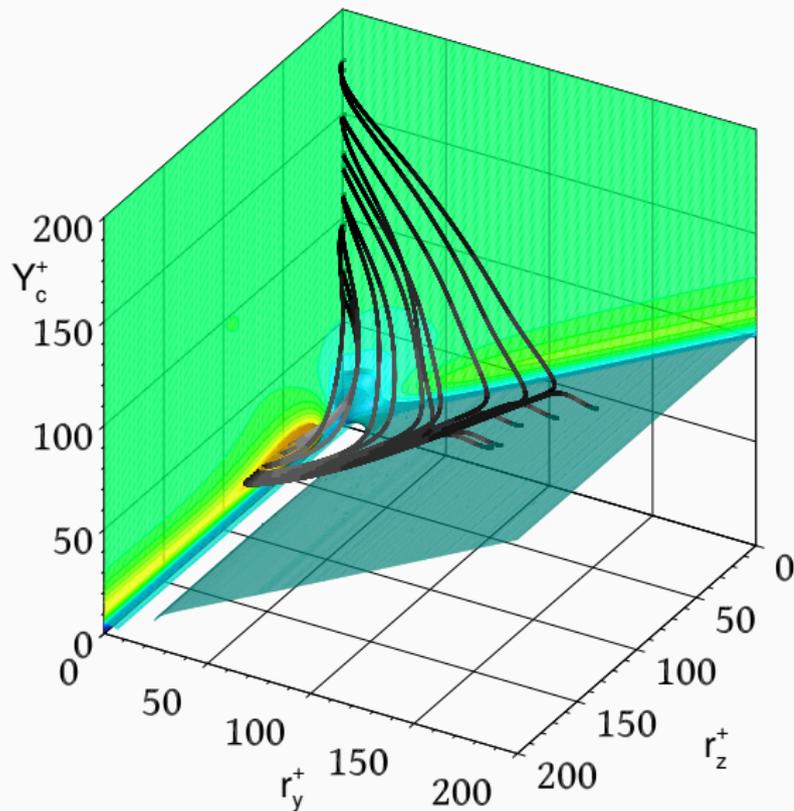


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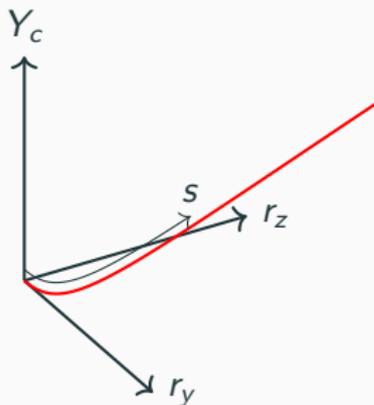


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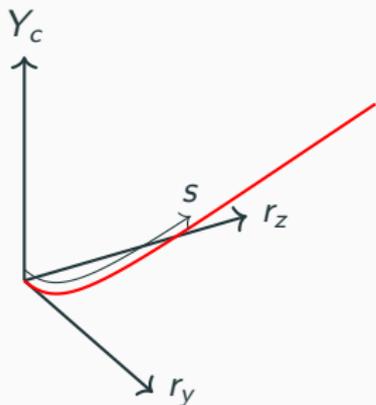
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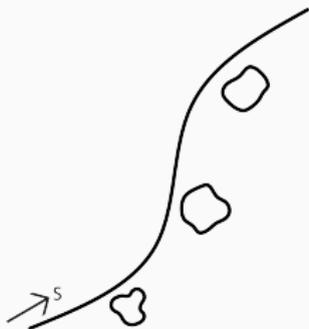


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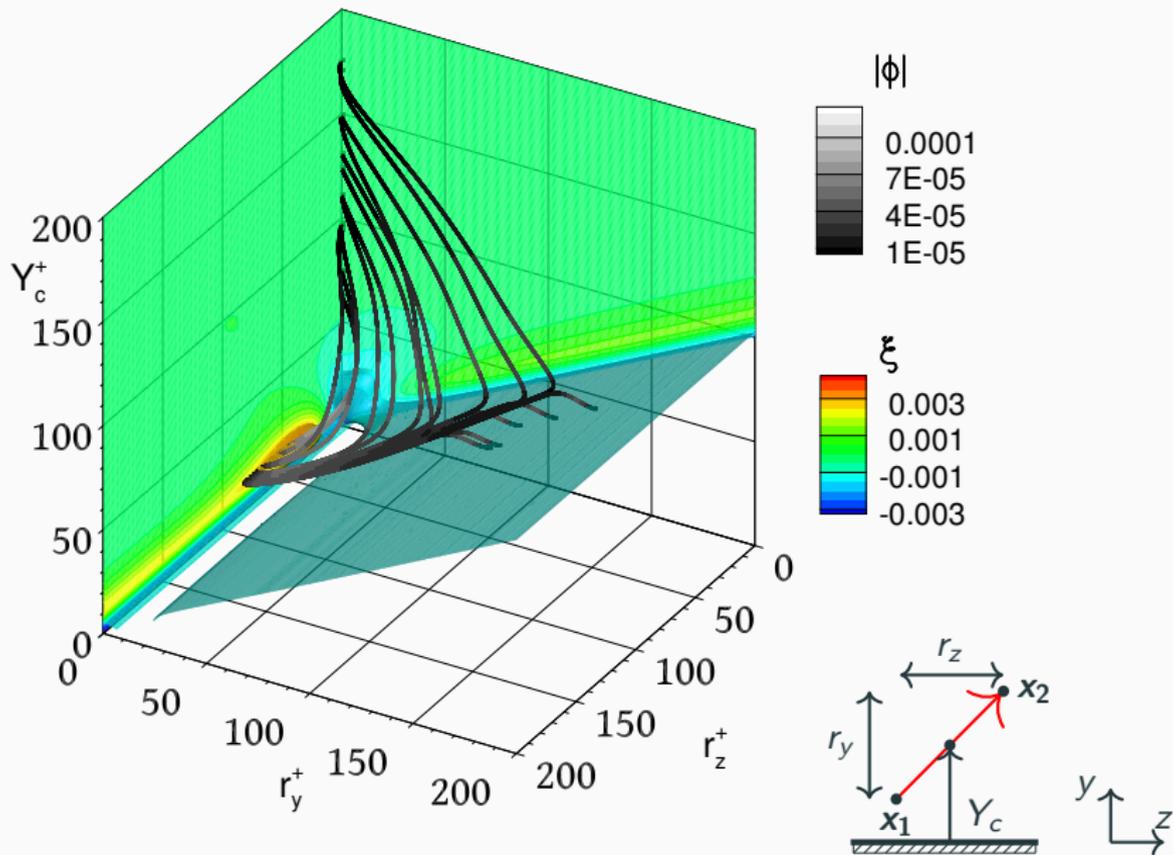
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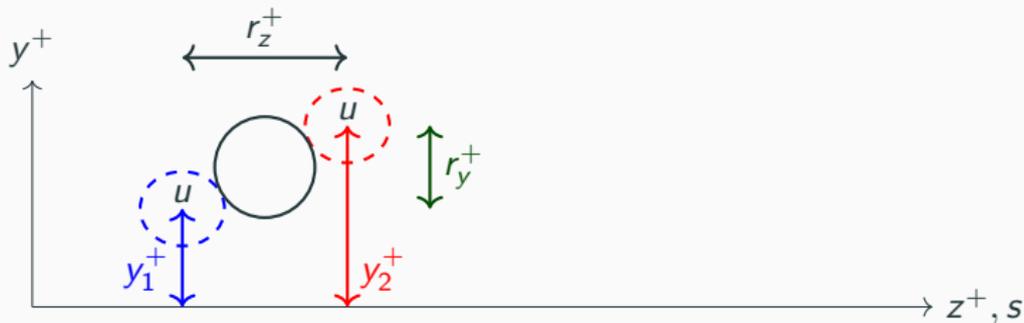
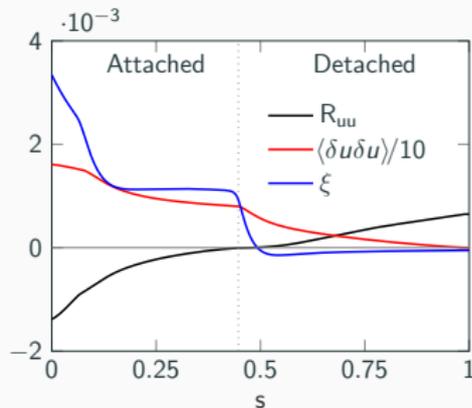
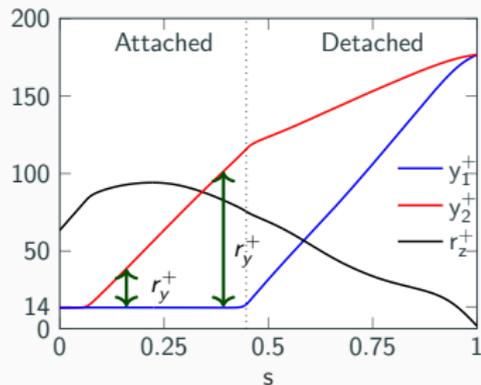
Coherent structures
in the $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle$ transfers!



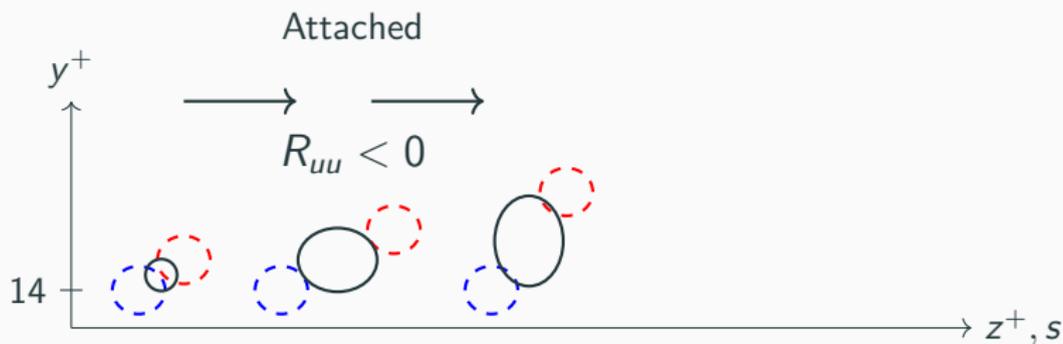
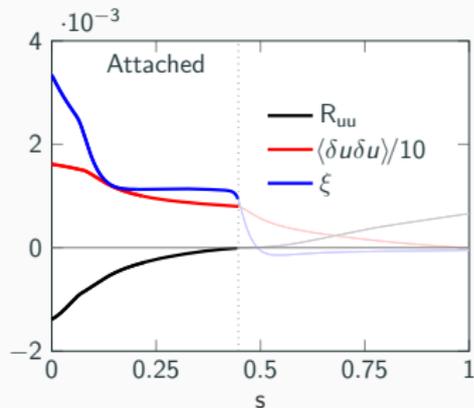
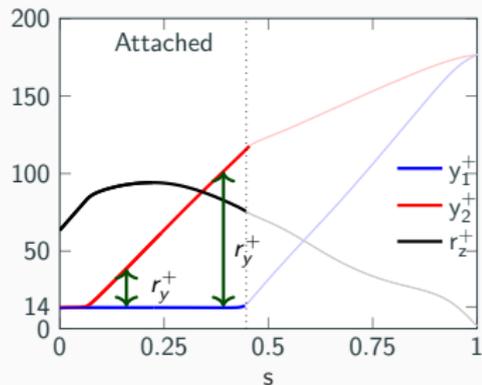
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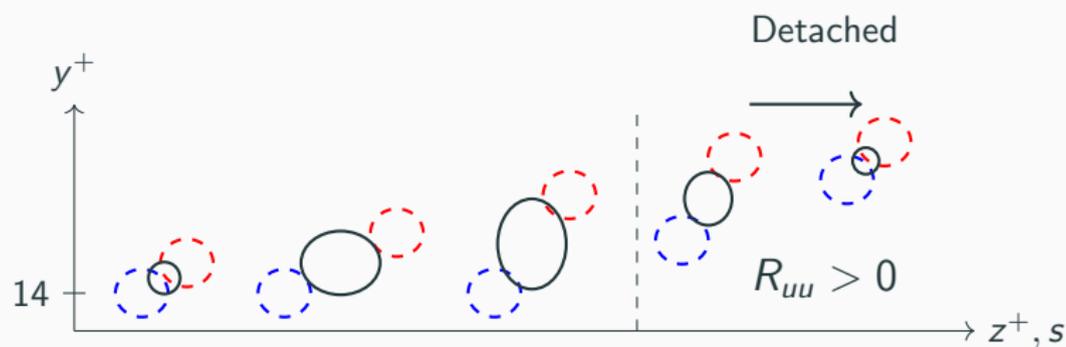
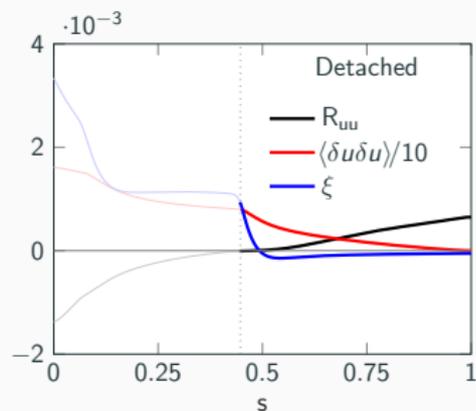
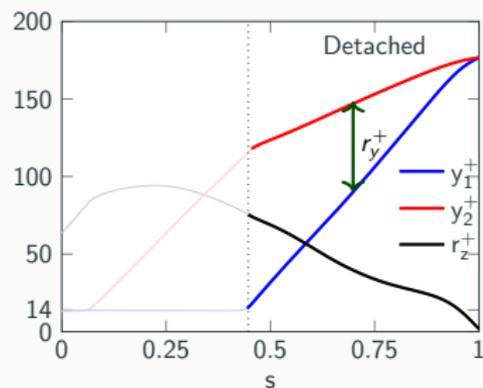
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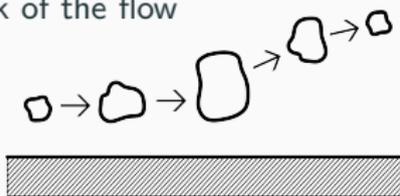


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- Turbulent channel ($Re_\tau = 200$)
 - Energy transfer towards the bulk of the flow
 - Attached eddies
 - Detached eddies



- Consider $\langle \delta u \delta v \rangle$

$$\langle \delta u \delta v \rangle \leftrightarrow \langle uv \rangle \quad \langle uv \rangle \rightarrow \text{increase } C_f$$

- Drag reduced flow

Highlight the main changes

THANKS

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Something more ...

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- $\langle \delta v \delta v \rangle$ in $r_x = 0$ -space
- $\langle \delta w \delta w \rangle$ in $r_x = 0$ -space
- $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$ in $r_x = 0$ -space

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$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{ik,r_j} &= \underbrace{\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \delta U \rangle}_{\text{mean transport}} \delta_{j,1} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \delta u_j \rangle}_{\text{turbulent transport}} \\ &\quad - \underbrace{2\nu \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle}_{\text{viscous diffusion}} \quad j = 1, 2, 3 \end{aligned}$$

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- Flux of $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle$ in the physical space

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{ik,c} = & \underbrace{\langle v^* \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle}_{\text{turbulent transport}} \\ & + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho} \langle \delta p \delta u_k \rangle \delta_{i,2} + \frac{1}{\rho} \langle \delta p \delta u_i \rangle \delta_{k,2}}_{\text{pressure transport}} \\ & - \underbrace{\frac{\nu}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial Y_c} \langle \delta u_i \delta u_k \rangle}_{\text{viscous diffusion}} \end{aligned}$$

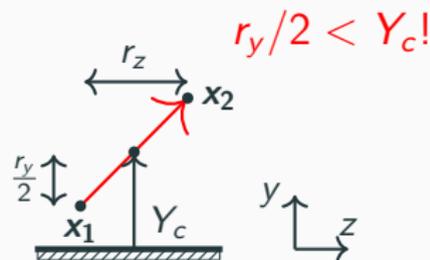
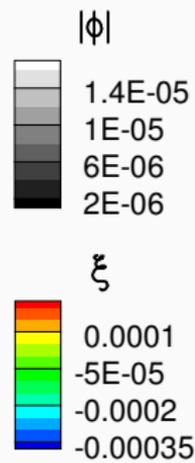
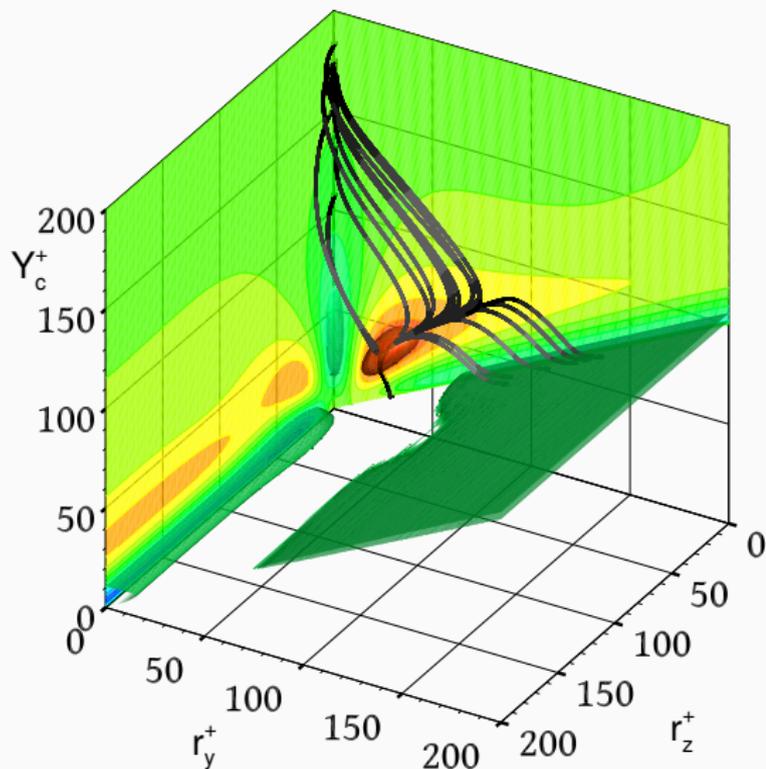
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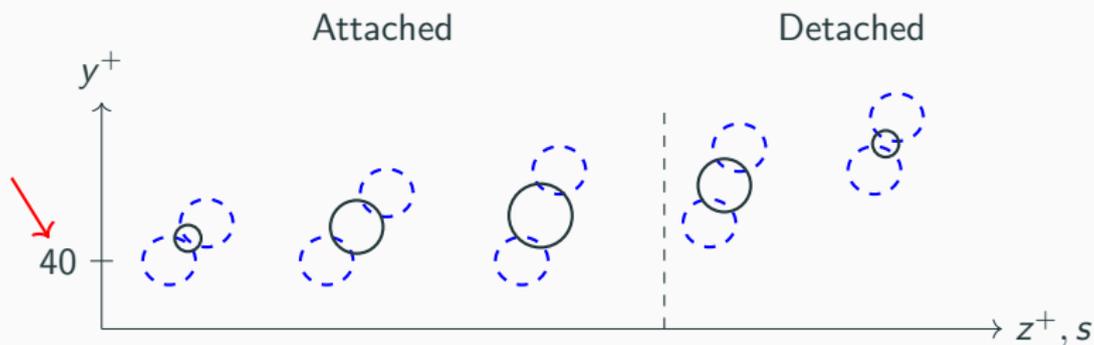
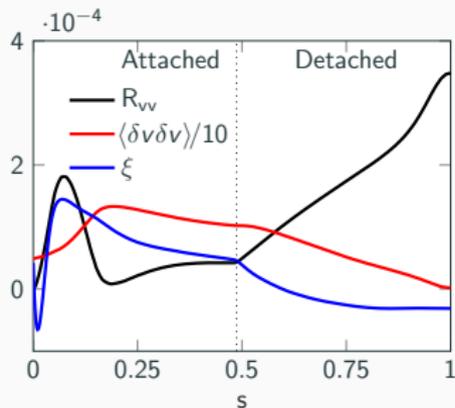
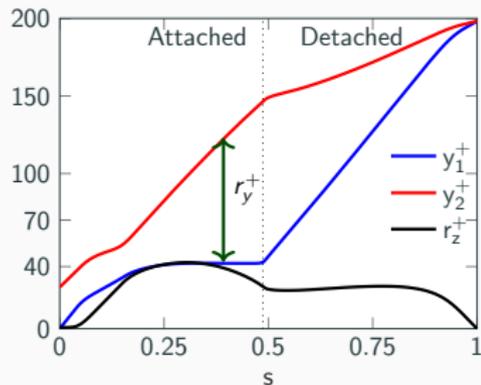
- Source term

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{ik} = & \underbrace{-\langle v^* \delta u_k \rangle \delta \left(\frac{dU}{dy} \right) \delta_{i,1} - \langle v^* \delta u_i \rangle \delta \left(\frac{dU}{dy} \right) \delta_{k,1}}_{\text{production}} + \\ & \underbrace{-\langle \delta v \delta u_k \rangle \left(\frac{dU}{dy} \right)^* \delta_{i,1} - \langle \delta v \delta u_i \rangle \left(\frac{dU}{dy} \right)^* \delta_{k,1}}_{\text{production}} \\ & \underbrace{+\frac{1}{\rho} \left\langle \delta p \frac{\partial \delta u_i}{\partial X_k} \right\rangle + \frac{1}{\rho} \left\langle \delta p \frac{\partial \delta u_k}{\partial X_i} \right\rangle}_{\text{pressure strain}} - \underbrace{4 \left(\epsilon_{i,k}^* \right)}_{\text{dissipation}} \end{aligned}$$

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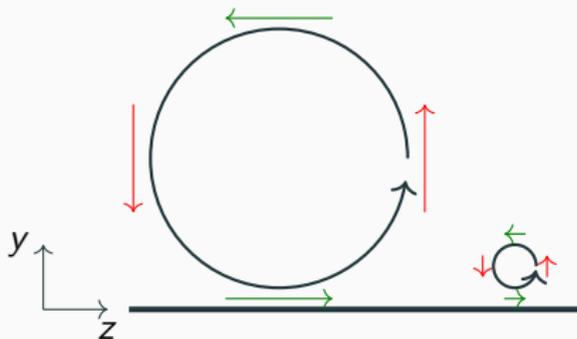


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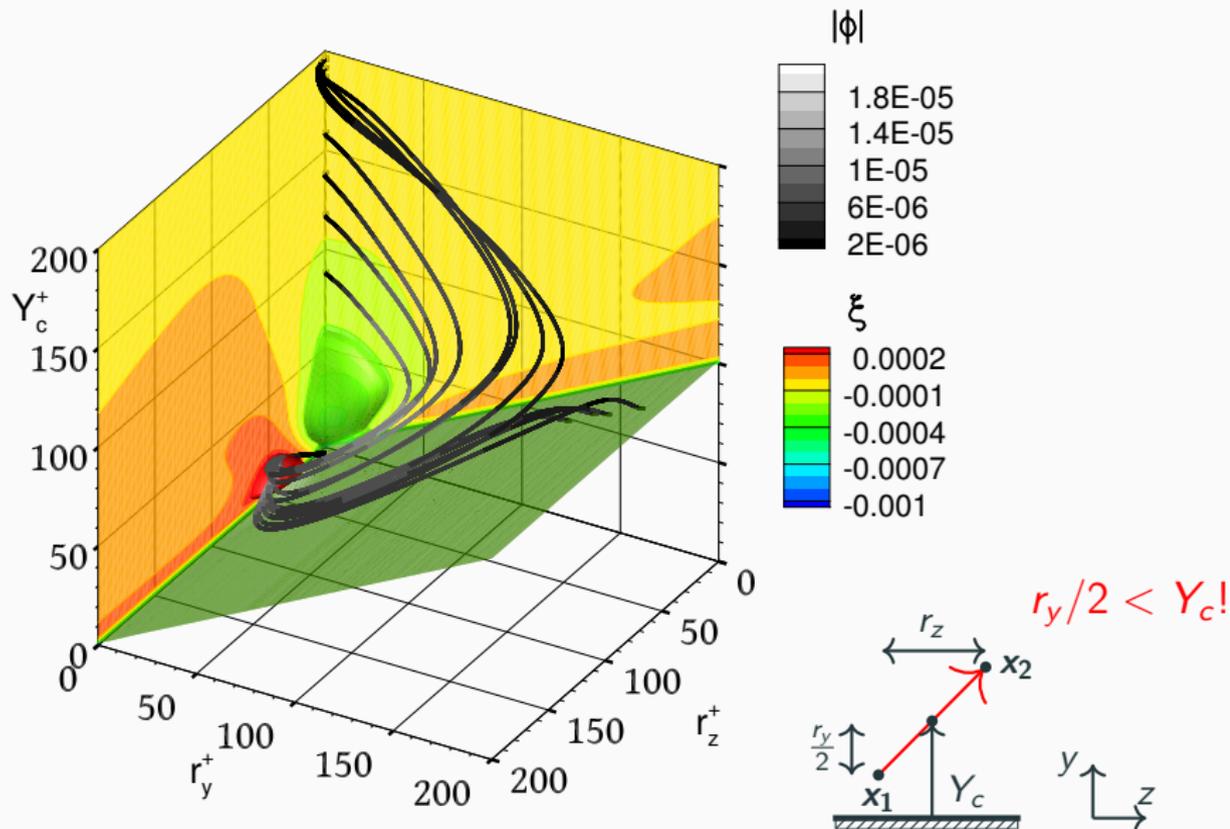
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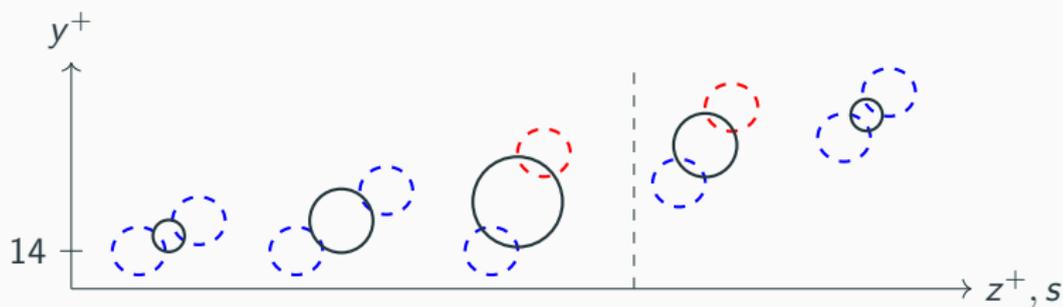
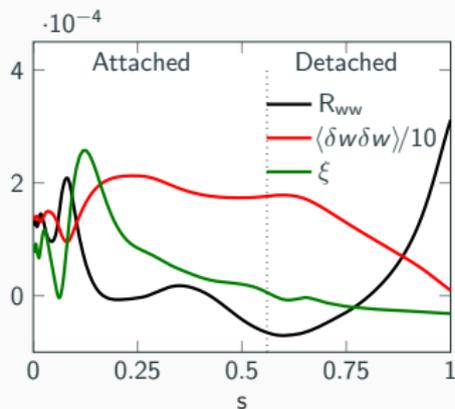
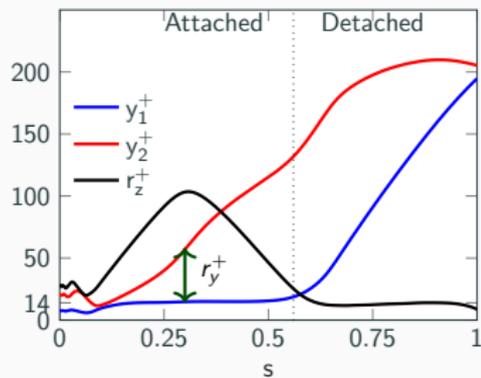


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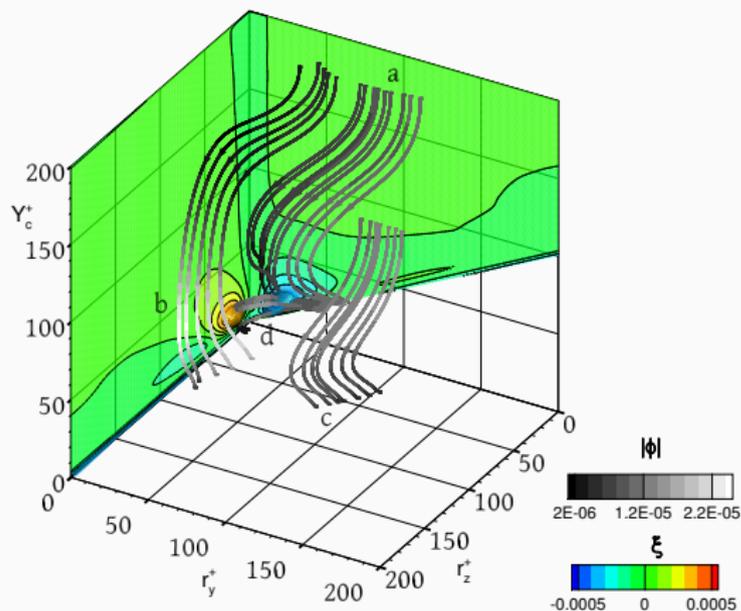
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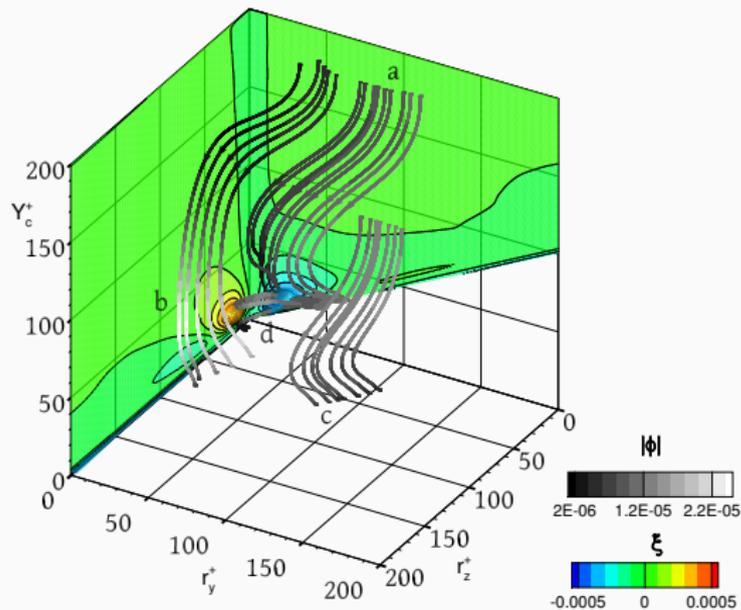
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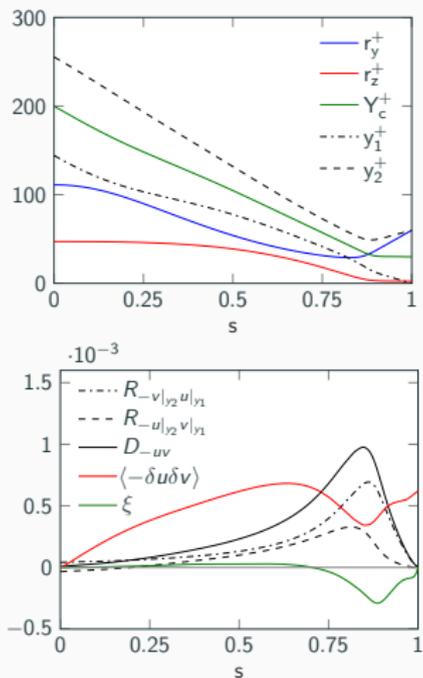
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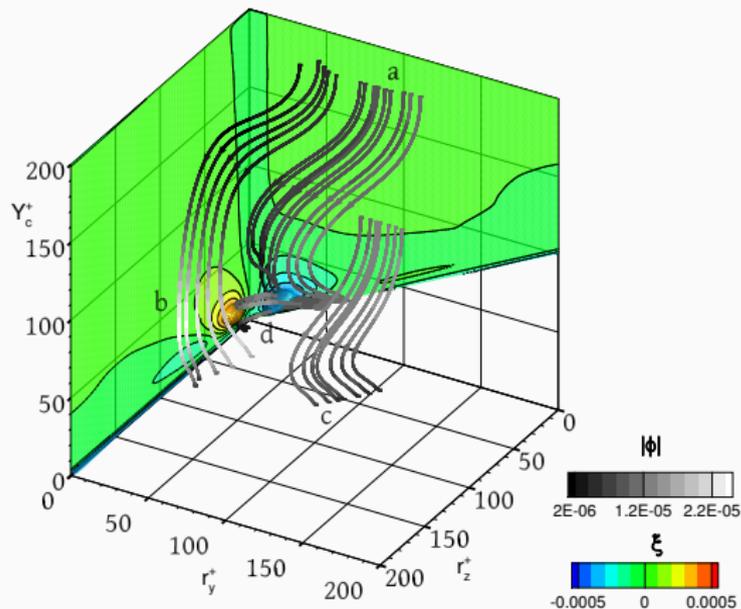
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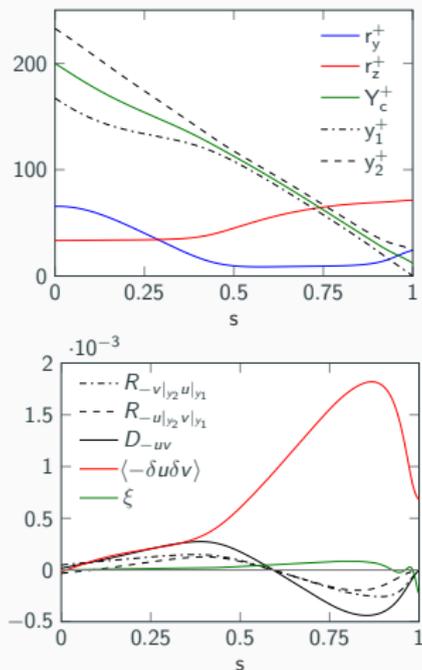
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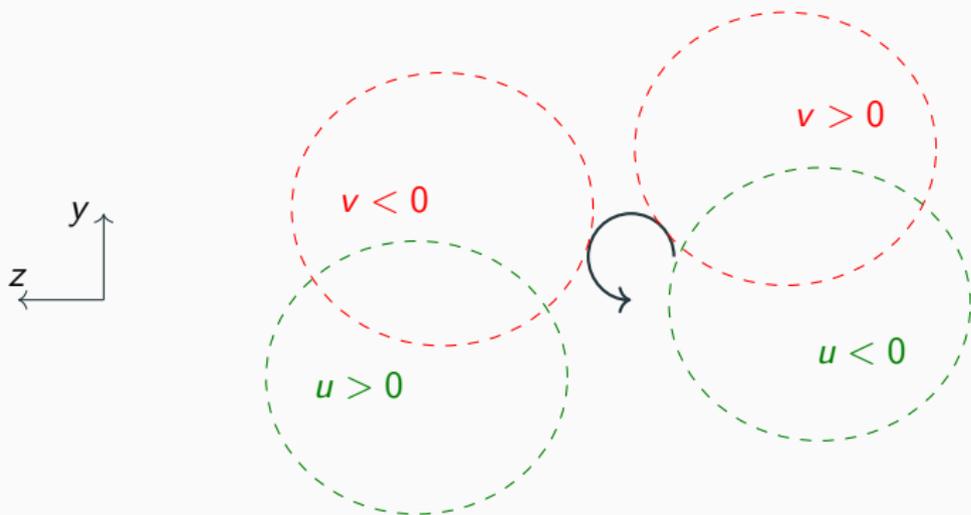


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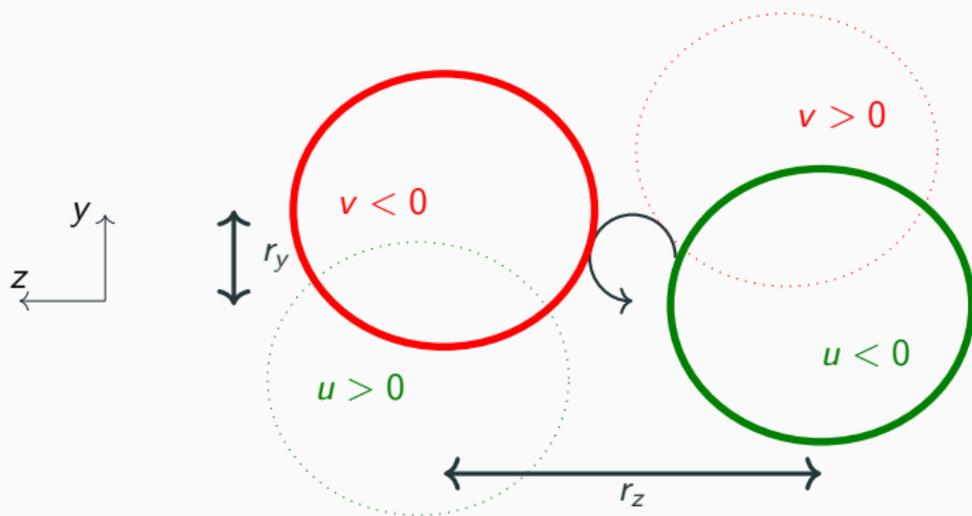
Turbulent channel ($Re_\tau = 200$): $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$ in $r_x = 0$ -space

- Which is its contribution to $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$??



Turbulent channel ($Re_\tau = 200$): $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$ in $r_x = 0$ -space

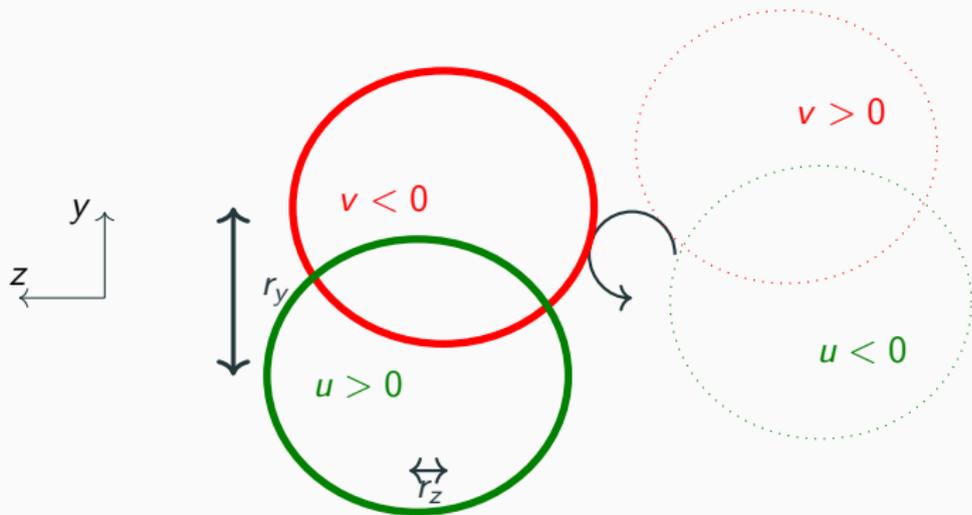
- $D_{-uv} < 0 \rightarrow$ Group b



Anticorrelation !!

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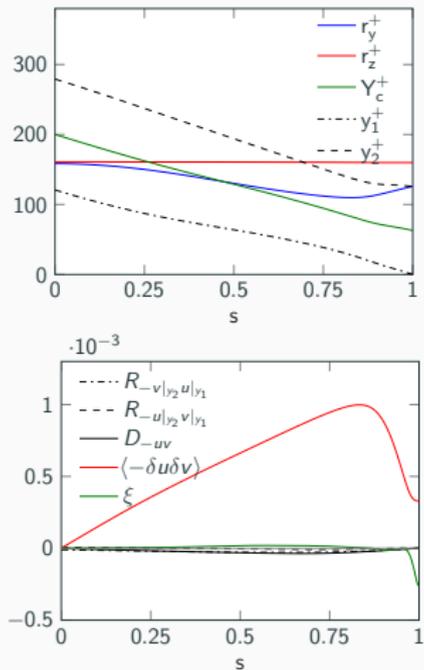
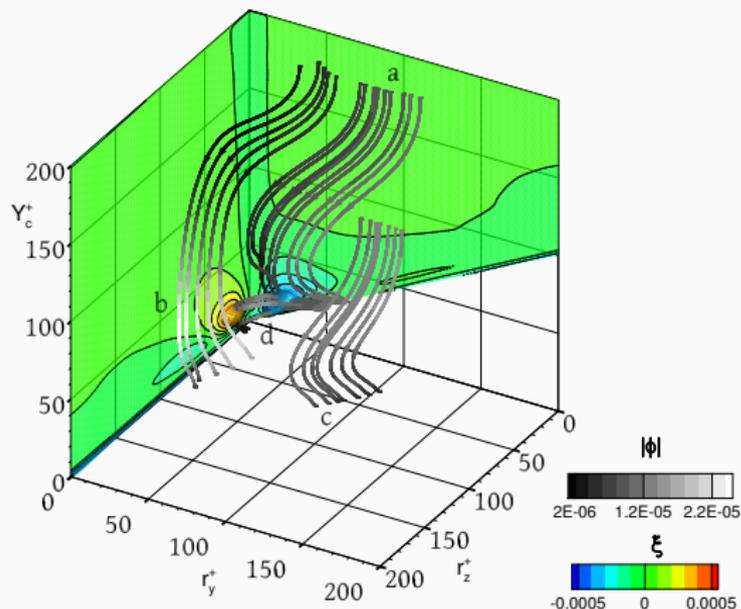
- $D_{-uv} > 0 \rightarrow$ Group a



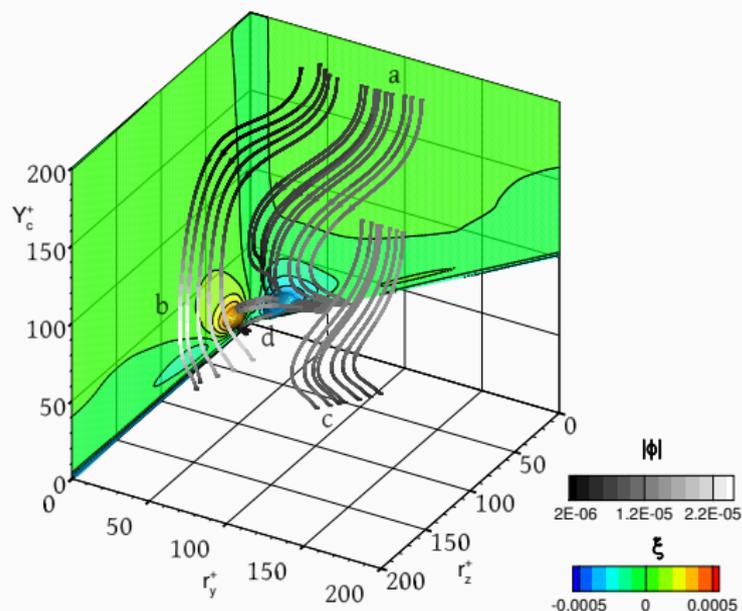
Positive correlation !!

Turbulent channel ($Re_\tau = 200$): $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$ in $r_x = 0$ -space

c)



Turbulent channel ($Re_\tau = 200$): $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$ in $r_x = 0$ -space



d)

