



Going beyond eddy viscosity: Finding a minimal representation of subgrid-scale stresses in large-eddy simulation

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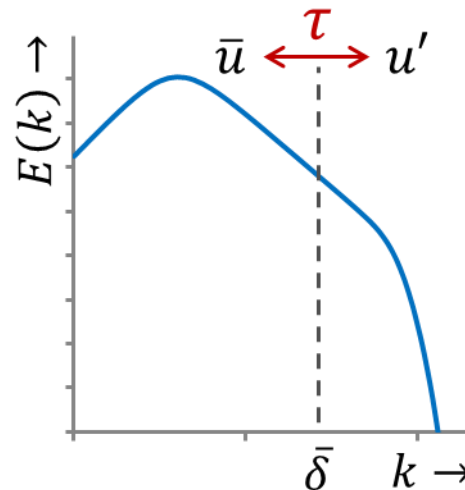
Construct a
 general nonlinear
 subgrid-scale model

Discuss model requirements
 from exact properties of the
 Navier-Stokes equations

Introduction

Research topic

- Large-eddy simulation of incompressible turbulent flows



- Creating subgrid-scale models for large-eddy simulation

Introduction

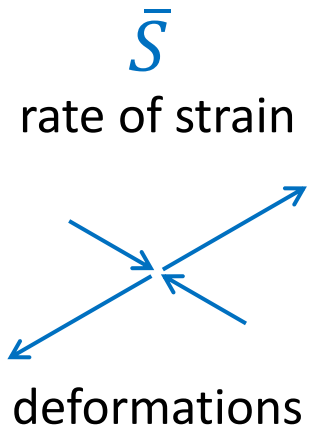
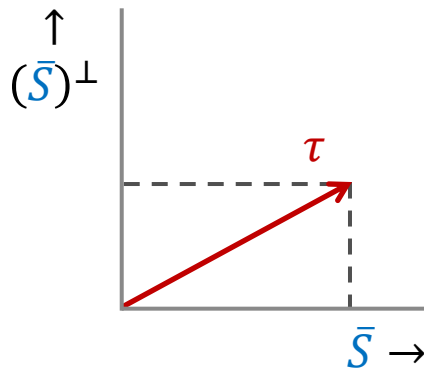
Example: eddy viscosity model

- Linear constitutive relation

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}^{mod} - \frac{1}{3} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\tau}^{mod}) I = -2\nu_e \bar{\mathbf{S}}$$

- Models turbulence as a dissipative process

- Problem¹



Capture nondissipative processes

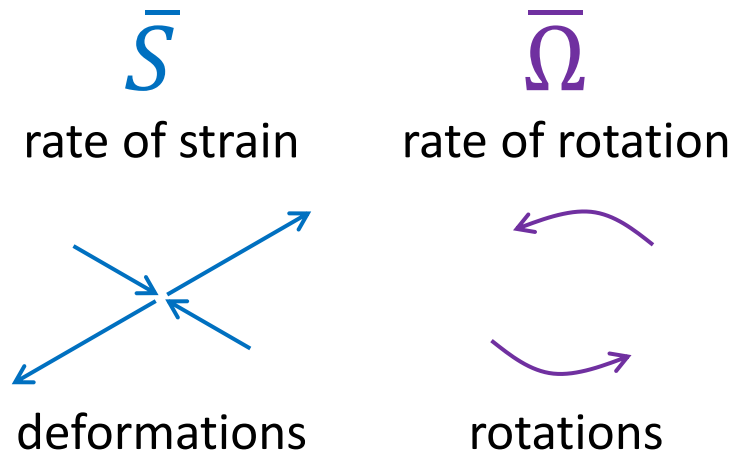
Constructing a general nonlinear subgrid-scale model

Starting point

- General constitutive relation

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}^{mod} = f(\bar{\boldsymbol{S}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\Omega}})$$

- Building blocks



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All possible terms

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 I & & & & & & \\
 & \bar{S} & & & & & \\
 & & \bar{S}^2 & & & & \\
 \bar{\Omega} & & \bar{S} \bar{\Omega} & & \bar{S}^3 & & \dots \\
 & \bar{\Omega} \bar{S} & & \bar{S}^2 \bar{\Omega} & & & \\
 & & \bar{\Omega}^2 & & & & \\
 & & & \bar{\Omega}^2 \bar{S} & & & \\
 & & & & \ddots & & \\
 & \vdots & & & & &
 \end{array}$$

Number of terms
 ∞

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Symmetric terms + Cayley-Hamilton theorem

$$\begin{aligned}
 I & \quad \bar{S} \quad \bar{S}^2 \\
 & \quad \bar{S} \bar{\Omega} - \bar{\Omega} \bar{S} \\
 & \quad \bar{\Omega}^2 \bar{S}^2 \bar{\Omega} - \bar{\Omega} \bar{S}^2 \\
 & \quad \vdots
 \end{aligned}$$

Number of terms
11

A matrix satisfies its own
characteristic equation

Constructing a general nonlinear subgrid-scale model

Subgrid-scale stresses

$$\tau = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ & * & * \\ & & * \end{bmatrix}$$

Degrees of freedom
6

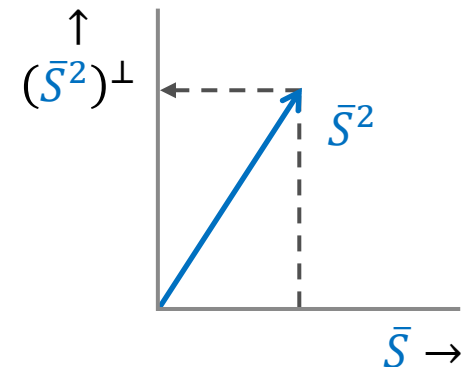
- Interested in nondissipative processes



Subtract \bar{S} from other terms



Make all other terms independent



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Resulting independent model terms

$$\begin{aligned}
 &I \quad \bar{S} \quad (\bar{S}^2)^\perp \\
 &\quad \bar{S} \bar{\Omega} - \bar{\Omega} \bar{S} \\
 &(\bar{\Omega}^2)^\perp \quad \ddots
 \end{aligned}$$

At most
6
nonzero terms

- General nonlinear constitutive relation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tau^{mod} = \alpha_0 I + \alpha_1 \bar{S} + \alpha_2 (\bar{S}^2)^\perp \\
 + \alpha_3 (\bar{\Omega}^2)^\perp + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

– Coefficients?

General representation
for any symmetric
3 x 3 matrix

Model requirements

Exact properties of the Navier-Stokes equations

- Invariances of the Navier-Stokes equations^{1,2}
 - Rotations and reflections
 - Time and pressure translation, generalized Galilean invariance
 - Scaling transformations
 - Two-dimensional material frame-indifference (2D MFI)
 - Time-reversal invariance (inviscid flow)
- Vreman's subgrid dissipation requirements³
- Near-wall scaling behavior⁴
- ...

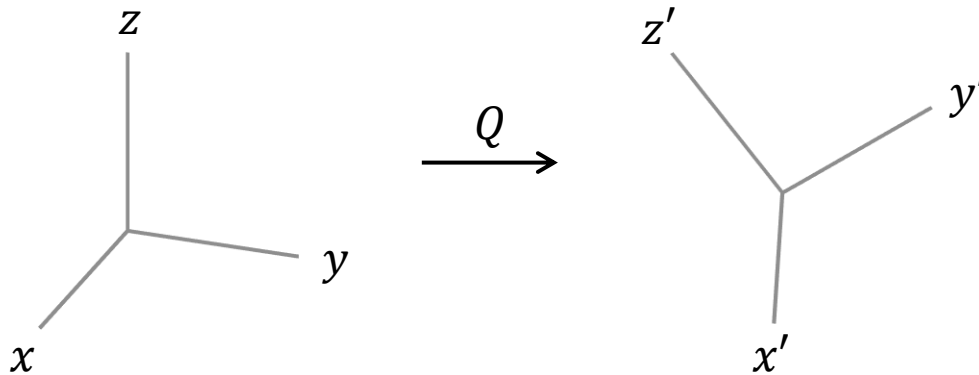


Tune model coefficients to satisfy these properties

1. Oberlack (1997), *CTR Ann. Res. Briefs*, 3
2. Razafindralandy, Hamdouni and Oberlack (2007), *Eur. J. Mech. B-Fluid*. **26**, 531
3. Vreman (2004), *Phys. Fluids* **16**, 3670
4. Chapman and Kuhn (1986), *J. Fluid Mech.* **170**, 265

Model requirements

Rotational invariance



$$\bar{S} \rightarrow Q \bar{S} Q^T \quad \checkmark$$

$$\bar{\Omega} \rightarrow Q \bar{\Omega} Q^T \quad \checkmark$$

- Requirement on model coefficients:

$$\alpha_i \rightarrow \alpha_i$$



Make coefficients a function of local flow properties

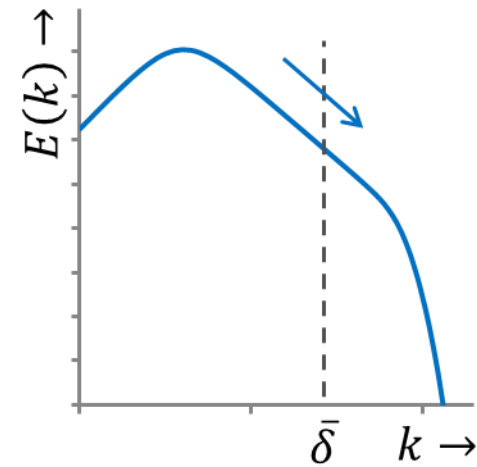
$$\text{tr}(\bar{S}^2), \text{tr}(\bar{\Omega}^2), \text{tr}(\bar{S} \bar{\Omega}^2), \dots$$

- Further restrictions follow from other symmetries

Model requirements

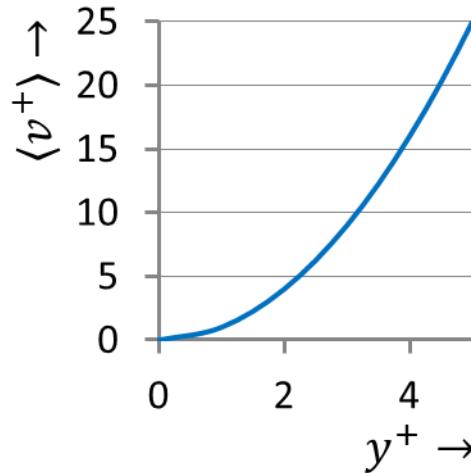
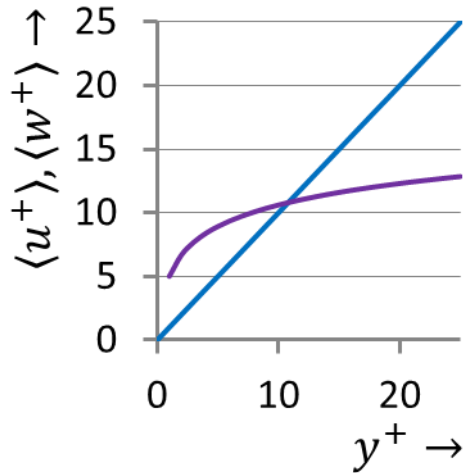
Vreman's subgrid dissipation requirements

- Laminar flow: *no* creation of small scales by turbulence model
- Turbulent flow: creation of small scales
- ...
- Importance: no unphysical transition due to model
- Restricts $\alpha_1(\text{tr}(\bar{S}^2), \text{tr}(\bar{\Omega}^2), \dots)$ \bar{S}



Model requirements

Near-wall scaling behavior



$$\langle \tau_{ij} \rangle \propto (y^+)^2$$

- Model should capture this behavior
 - Not too much dissipation in near-wall region
- Restriction of coefficients
 - $\alpha_1 \propto (y^+)^3, \dots$

Model requirements

Analysis of existing models

Requirement	Smagorinsky ¹	WALE ²	Vreman ³	QR ⁴	S3PQR ⁵
Rotations, reflections	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Translations, Galilean	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Scaling	✓*	✓*	✓*	✓*	✓*
2D MFI	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓**
Laminar flow $\nu_e = 0$	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓**
Turbulent flow $\nu_e \neq 0$	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
Near-wall behavior	$\mathcal{O}(y^0)$	$\mathcal{O}(y^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(y^1)$	$\mathcal{O}(y^1)$	$\mathcal{O}(y^3)$
Time reversal	✓*	✓*	✓*	✓*	✓*/**

1. Smagorinsky (1963), *Mon. Weather Rev.* **91**, 99
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* If the dynamic procedure is used
 ** Additional restrictions apply

Model requirements

Example model

- Linear constitutive relation

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}^{mod} - \frac{1}{3} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\tau}^{mod}) \mathbf{I} = -2\nu_e \bar{\mathbf{S}}$$

$$\nu_e = c \bar{\delta}^2 \frac{\text{tr}(\bar{\mathbf{S}}^3)^3}{\text{tr}(\bar{\mathbf{S}}^2)^4}$$

Requirement	
Rotations, reflections	✓
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Scaling	✓*
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Conclusions & Discussion

Key points

- Constructed a general nonlinear subgrid-scale model
- Discussed model requirements from Navier-Stokes equations

Class of nonlinear
subgrid-scale models

Future ideas

- Consistency with the second law of thermodynamics¹..?
- Require realizability of the turbulent stresses²..?
- ...

More exact properties of
the Navier-Stokes equations?

More physical requirements
for turbulence models?

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