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Turbulence

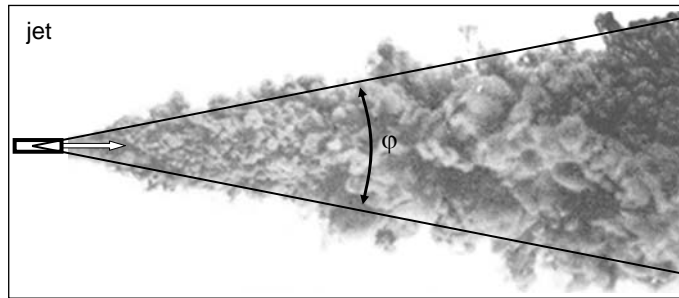
chapter 13
statistics in physical space

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13.1 statistics in physical space

• observations

- ✓ in terms of **trajectories**, turbulence is characterized by an **unstable** and **chaotic** behavior of fluid particles
- ✓ in terms of **ensemble**, it appears that the turbulent behavior becomes **stable** and **steady**



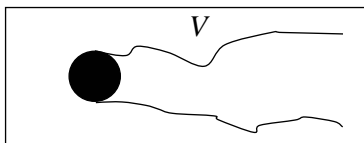
$\phi = \text{const.}$
universal



- ✓ irregular trajectories
- ✓ statistical regularity

13.1 statistics in physical space (...)

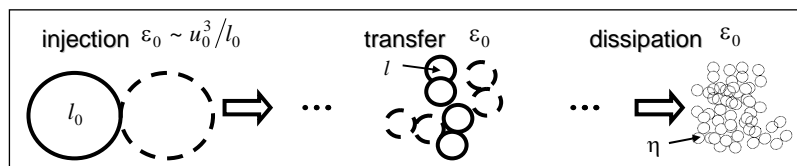
- ✓ dissipation rate



$$\varepsilon_V \equiv \overline{\langle \varepsilon \rangle_V}^T = \frac{1}{V} \underbrace{\iiint_V}_{\text{spatial average}} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{T} \int_T}_{\text{time average}} 2\nu \underline{d} \cdot \underline{d} dt \right] dV$$

⇒ ε_V is a statistical quantities

- ✓ energy cascade model



⇒ $\varepsilon_0, u_0, l_0, l, \eta$ are statistical quantities

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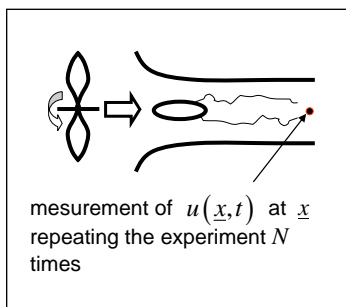
• ensemble average

- ✓ $u = u(\underline{x}, t)$ = random variable
- ✓ $\langle u \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N u^{(j)}$ = average over N realisations
- ✓ $\langle u \rangle =$ mathematical expectation $\equiv \int u p(u) du$ where $p(u) =$ probability density function
- ✓ $\langle (\cdot) \rangle$ commutes with all space or time derivatives and integrals

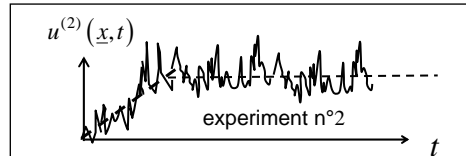
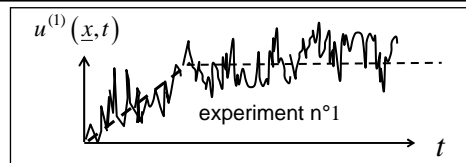
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• ensemble average (...)

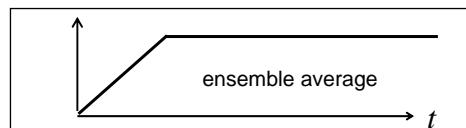
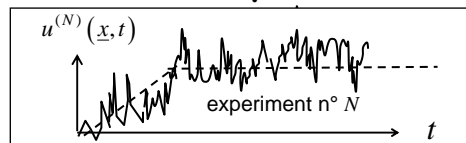
$$\langle u \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N u^{(j)} = \text{average over } N \text{ realisations}$$



$$\langle \underline{u} \rangle(\underline{x}, t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N u^{(j)}(\underline{x}, t) \quad \leftarrow$$



⋮



13.1 statistics in physical space (...)

• fluctuation $\underline{u}'(x,t) = \underline{u} - \langle \underline{u} \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \underline{u}' \rangle = \langle \underline{u} - \langle \underline{u} \rangle \rangle = \langle \underline{u} \rangle - \langle \underline{u} \rangle = 0$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$
 ensemble average
 is idempotent

• Reynolds decomposition

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{u}(x,t) = \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \underline{u}' \\ p(x,t) = \langle p \rangle + p' \\ \langle \underline{u}' \rangle = \langle p' \rangle = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

13.1 statistics in physical space (...)

• statistical stationarity

✓ when the boundary conditions are stationary, we observe that the turbulence is statistically stationary, meaning that :

$$\frac{\partial p(u)}{\partial t} = 0 \quad p(u) = \text{probability density function of } u$$

✓ in this case, the ensemble average becomes equivalent to a time average

$$\Rightarrow \langle (\cdot) \rangle = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_t^{t+T} (\cdot) dt' \quad \text{independent on } t$$

⇒ a single flow realization (an experience) is enough because the variable goes through all possible states over time

⇒ fortunately for the experimenters ...

13.1 statistics in physical space (...)

• statistical homogeneity

- ✓ some flows are also statistically homogeneous in one space direction x_i in space, or more, meaning that :

$$\frac{\partial p(u' = u - \langle u \rangle)}{\partial x_i} = 0 \quad p(u') = \text{probability density function of } u'$$

Note : $\partial p(u) / \partial t = 0$ was required for having statistical stationarity. We only need to have $\partial p(u') / \partial x_i = 0$ for statistical homogeneity. This will be explained later.

- ✓ in this case, ensemble average become equivalent to spatial averages along each homogeneity direction :

$$\langle (\cdot)' \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{L} \int_{x_i}^{x_i+L} (\cdot)' dx \quad \text{independent on } x_i$$

- ⇒ a single flow realization is enough because the variable goes through all possible states along each statistical homogeneity direction
- ⇒ fortunately for the numericists

13.3 Reynolds' decomposition

• Reynolds equation

- ✓ continuity $\langle \text{div } \underline{u} \rangle = 0 = \text{div } \langle \underline{u} \rangle$
 $\text{div } \underline{u}' = \text{div}(\underline{u} - \langle \underline{u} \rangle) = \text{div } \underline{u} - \text{div } \langle \underline{u} \rangle = 0 - 0 = 0$

⇒ the mean field and the fluctuating field are both solenoidal

- **momentum** $\left\langle \frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla \underline{u} \cdot \underline{u} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \text{grad } p + \text{div} (2\nu \underline{d}) \right\rangle$ ← case of the flow of a newtonian incompressible homogeneous fluid with no volumic force

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \langle \underline{u} \rangle}{\partial t} + \langle \nabla \underline{u} \cdot \underline{u} \rangle = -\frac{1}{\rho} \text{grad } \langle p \rangle + \text{div} (2\nu \langle \underline{d} \rangle)$$

- **non-linear term** $\langle \nabla \underline{u} \cdot \underline{u} \rangle = \langle \nabla (\langle \underline{u} \rangle + \underline{u}') \cdot (\langle \underline{u} \rangle + \underline{u}') \rangle$
 $= \langle \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \underline{u}' + \nabla \underline{u}' \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \nabla \underline{u}' \cdot \underline{u}' \rangle$
 $= \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{u}' \rangle + \nabla \langle \underline{u}' \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \langle \nabla \underline{u}' \cdot \underline{u}' \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \nabla \underline{u} \cdot \underline{u} \rangle = \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \langle \nabla \underline{u}' \cdot \underline{u}' \rangle = \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \langle \text{div } \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' - \underline{u}' \cdot \text{div } \underline{u}' \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \langle \underline{u} \rangle}{\partial t} + \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle = -\frac{1}{\rho} \text{grad } \langle p \rangle + \text{div} (2\nu \langle \underline{d} \rangle - \langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle)$$

$D\langle \underline{u} \rangle / Dt$ = material derivative following the mean field

turbulent stress = Reynolds stress tensor

13.3 Reynolds' decomposition (...)

• Reynolds equation (...)

$$\frac{D\langle \underline{u} \rangle}{Dt} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \text{grad} \langle p \rangle + \text{div} \left(\underbrace{2\nu \langle \underline{d} \rangle}_{\text{viscous stress tensor}} - \underbrace{\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle}_{\text{turbulent stress tensor = Reynolds stress tensor}} \right) \quad (1)$$

• Reynolds stress tensor

$$\begin{cases} \underline{R}(x,t) = \langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle \\ R_{ij}(x,t) = \langle u'_i u'_j \rangle \end{cases}$$

⇒ additional diffusion due to turbulent stresses $\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle$

⇒ in turbulent regions $|\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle| \gg |2\nu \langle \underline{d} \rangle|$

• a closure problem : to determine $\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle$ from (1), we must know $\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle$

⇒ we use « constitutive laws » of the kind $\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle = f(\langle \underline{d} \rangle)$

⇒ this is what we mean usually by « modelling turbulence »

⇒ in engineering softwares, this is usually that way the « turbulence problem » is closed

95% of the softwares used in industry

13.3 kinetic energy budget

• kinetic energy $\langle e_k \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{2} \underline{u}^2 \rangle = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u} \rangle^2}_K + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u}'^2 \rangle}_k$

• equation of the mean kinetic energy $K = \frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u} \rangle^2$

✓ contract the vectorial equation of $\langle \underline{u} \rangle$ with vector $\langle \underline{u} \rangle$

$$\langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \left[\frac{D\langle \underline{u} \rangle}{Dt} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \text{grad} \langle p \rangle + \text{div} (2\nu \langle \underline{d} \rangle - \langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle) \right]$$

$$\langle u_i \rangle \left[\frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial t} + \langle u_j \rangle \frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \langle p \rangle}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\nu \left(\frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \langle u_j \rangle}{\partial x_i} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \langle u'_i u'_j \rangle \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial K}{\partial t} + \langle u_j \rangle \frac{\partial K}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \langle p \rangle}{\partial x_i} \langle u_i \rangle + \langle p \rangle \frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_i} + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\langle u_i \rangle \frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j} \right) - \nu \left(\frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j} \right)^2 + \nu \langle u_i \rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\langle u_i \rangle \langle u'_i u'_j \rangle \right) + \langle u'_i u'_j \rangle \frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DK}{Dt} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[-\langle p \rangle \langle u_j \rangle + \nu \frac{\partial K}{\partial x_j} - \langle u_i \rangle \langle u'_i u'_j \rangle \right]}_{\text{div } \phi_K} + \underbrace{\langle u'_i u'_j \rangle \frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j}}_{-P = \langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle : \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle} - \underbrace{\nu \left(\frac{\partial \langle u_i \rangle}{\partial x_j} \right)^2}_{\varepsilon_K = \varepsilon_{1K} = \nu |\nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle|^2}$$

13.3 kinetic energy budget (...)

- equation of the mean kinetic energy $K = \frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u} \rangle^2$ (...)

$$\frac{DK}{Dt} = -P + \text{div } \underline{\phi}_K - \varepsilon_K$$

$$\begin{cases} P = -\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle : \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle & \text{- production} \\ \underline{\phi}_K = \left[-\frac{\langle P \rangle}{\rho} \underline{1} - \langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle \right] \cdot \langle \underline{u} \rangle + \nu \underline{\text{grad}} K & \text{- flux} \\ \varepsilon_K = 2\nu |\nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle|^2 \geq 0 & \text{- dissipation (pseudo-dissipation } \varepsilon_{1K}) \end{cases}$$

- equation of the mean turbulent kinetic energy (TKE) $k = \frac{1}{2} \langle u_i'^2 \rangle$ (homework)

✓ compose an equation for $u_i' = u_i - \langle u_i \rangle$

✓ multiply it by u_i'

✓ find :

$$\frac{Dk}{Dt} = P + \text{div } \underline{\phi}_k - \varepsilon_k$$

$$\begin{cases} P = -\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle : \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle & \text{- production} \\ \underline{\phi}_k = -\frac{1}{\rho} \langle p' \underline{u}' \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u}'^2 \underline{u}' \rangle + \nu \underline{\text{grad}} k & \text{- flux} \\ \varepsilon_k = 2\nu \langle |\nabla \underline{u}'|^2 \rangle \geq 0 & \text{- dissipation (pseudo-dissipation } \varepsilon_{1k}) \end{cases}$$

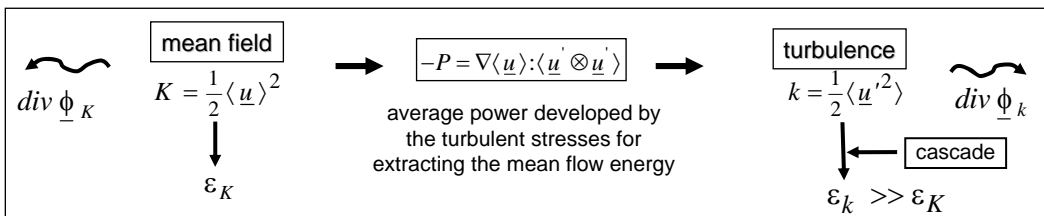
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- balance

$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{DK}{Dt} = \text{div } \underline{\phi}_K - \varepsilon_K - P \\ \text{diffusion} \quad \text{dissipation} \quad \text{exchange} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \frac{Dk}{Dt} = \text{div } \underline{\phi}_k - \varepsilon_k + P \\ \text{diffusion} \quad \text{dissipation} \quad \text{exchange} \end{array}$$

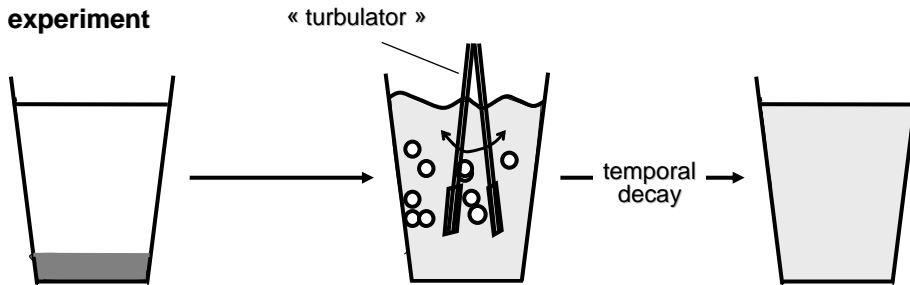
$P = -\nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle : \langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle > 0$ in most cases



- dissipation $\varepsilon = \nu \langle |\nabla \underline{u}'|^2 \rangle = \nu \underbrace{\langle |\nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle|^2 \rangle}_{\varepsilon_K} + \nu \underbrace{\langle |\nabla \underline{u}'|^2 \rangle}_{\varepsilon_k}$ (pseudo-dissipation ε_1)

13.4 temporal decay of homogeneous turbulence

• an experiment



- ✓ turbulence is produced by an agitator
- ✓ we stop forcing and turbulence proceeds until complete dissipation

- ### • hypotheses
- H1** - no mean velocity
 - H2** - homogeneous turbulence

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Dk}{Dt} = \frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \text{grad}}_{\text{H1}} k = \underbrace{\text{grad}}_{\text{H2}} k + P - \varepsilon_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} = -\varepsilon_k(t)} \quad \text{temporal decay}$$

$P = -\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle : \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle$ **H1**

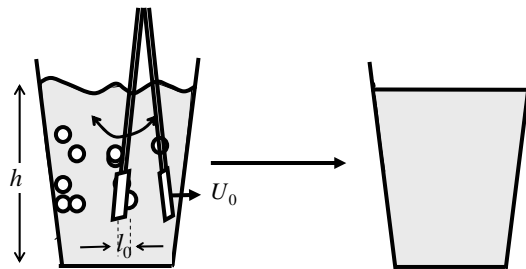
13.4 temporal decay of homogeneous turbulence (...)

• temporal decay

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} = -\varepsilon_k(t)}$$

• time scales ?

- ✓ «turbulator» size l_0
- ✓ characteristic forcing velocity : U_0
- ✓ energy : $k(0) \sim U_0^2$
- ✓ dissipation : $\varepsilon_k(0) \sim U_0^3/l_0$
- ✓ time scale : $\tau_\varepsilon \sim k(0)/\varepsilon_k(0) \sim l_0/U_0$



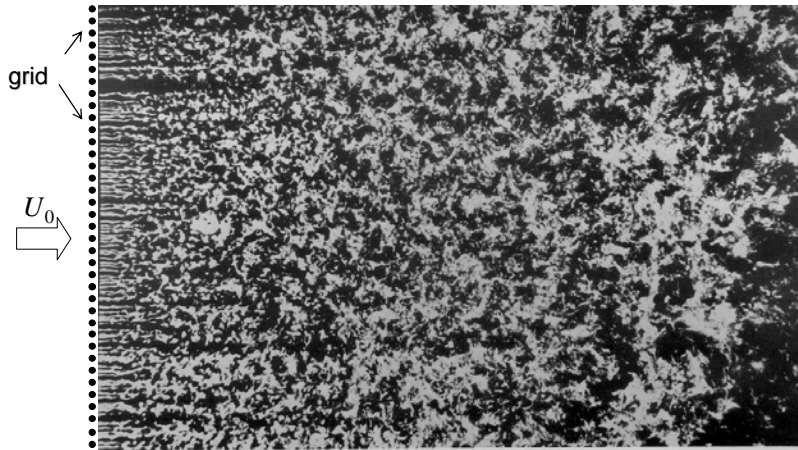
• numbers

- ✓ $U_0 \approx 1 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$
 - ✓ $h \approx 10 \text{ cm}$
 - ✓ $l_0 \approx 10^{-2} \text{ m}$
 - ✓ $\nu \approx 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- $$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{✓ } U_0 \approx 1 \text{ m.s}^{-1} \\ \text{✓ } h \approx 10 \text{ cm} \\ \text{✓ } l_0 \approx 10^{-2} \text{ m} \\ \text{✓ } \nu \approx 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1} \end{array} \right\} \tau_\varepsilon \sim \frac{l_0}{U_0} \sim 10^{-2} \text{ s} \quad \text{to be compared to viscous time scale} \quad \tau_\nu \sim \frac{h^2}{\nu} \sim 10^3 \text{ s}$$

⇒ calm sweaty warm coffee thanks to turbulence : increasing mixing, then rapid dissipation

13.5 spatial decay of homogeneous turbulence

• grid turbulence



Van Dyke 1983

- **hypotheses**
 - H1** - uniform mean velocity $\langle \underline{u} \rangle = \underline{U}_0$
 - H2** - statistically steady turbulence
 - H3** - homogeneous turbulence in directions normal to the flow

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13.5 spatial decay of homogeneous turbulence (...)

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{Dk}{Dt} = \frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + \langle \underline{u} \rangle \cdot \underline{\text{grad}} k = \text{div } \underline{\phi}_k + \cancel{P} - \varepsilon_k$$

H2 $P = -\langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle : \nabla \langle \underline{u} \rangle$ **H1**

$$\Rightarrow U_0 \frac{\partial k}{\partial x} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\underline{\phi}_k)_x \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\underline{\phi}_k)_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\underline{\phi}_k)_z - \varepsilon_k$$

H3 **H3**

with $\underline{\phi}_k = -\frac{1}{\rho} \langle p' \underline{u}' \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u}'^2 \underline{u}' \rangle + \nu \underline{\text{grad}} k \Rightarrow (\underline{\phi}_k)_x = -\frac{1}{\rho} \langle p' u' \rangle - \langle \frac{1}{2} u_i'^2 u' \rangle + \nu \frac{\partial k}{\partial x}$

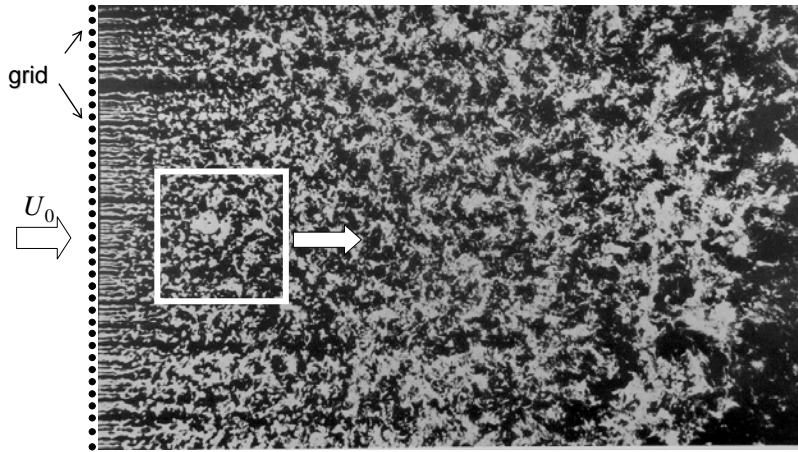
• orders of magnitude

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{convection: } U_0 \frac{\partial k}{\partial x} = O\left(\frac{U_0 k}{L}\right) \\ \text{turbulent diffusion: } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \langle \frac{1}{2} u_i'^2 u' \rangle = O\left(\frac{k^{3/2}}{L}\right) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{\text{diffusion}}{\text{convection}} \sim \frac{k^{3/2}}{U_0 k} = \frac{\sqrt{k}}{U_0} \downarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{if } \sqrt{k}/U_0 \ll 1 \text{ - turbulence rate} \\ \boxed{U_0 \frac{\partial k}{\partial x} \approx -\varepsilon_k} \\ \text{spatial decay} \end{array}$$

✓ homework : evaluate orders of magnitude of the other flux terms

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13.5 spatial decay of homogeneous turbulence



Note :
turbulent scales
increase
downstream (?)

we will explain why
in few minutes

Van Dyke 1983

✓ spatial decay

$$U_0 \frac{\partial k}{\partial x} \approx - \varepsilon_k$$

$$\leftarrow t = \frac{x}{U_0} \rightarrow$$

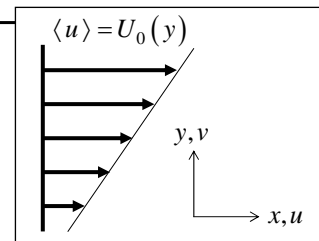
$$\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} = - \varepsilon_k$$

✓ temporel decay

13.6 homogeneous shear flow

✓ a model flow for turbulent boundary and mixing layers

- **hypotheses**
 - H1 - constant shear $\langle \underline{u} \rangle = U_0(y) \underline{e}_x$
 - H2 - statistically steady flow
 - H3 - statistically homogeneous turbulence



$$\Rightarrow \frac{Dk}{Dt} = \frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial k}{\partial y} = \text{div} \underline{\Phi}_k + P - \varepsilon_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{P = \varepsilon_k}$$

\uparrow
 $P = -\langle u'v' \rangle \frac{d\langle U \rangle}{dy}$ H1

turbulence
in equilibrium

• **homogeneous turbulence**

$$\langle \underline{u} \rangle \rightarrow \underline{u}'$$

✓ Reynolds equation

$$\frac{D\langle \underline{u} \rangle}{Dt} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \text{grad} \langle p \rangle + \text{div} (2\nu \langle \underline{d} \rangle) - \text{div} \langle \underline{u}' \otimes \underline{u}' \rangle$$

viscous stress tensor

turbulent stress tensor =
Reynolds stress tensor

⇒ turbulence is produced by the mean flow gradients but there is no feedback on the mean field

chapter 14

statistics in Fourier space – introduction

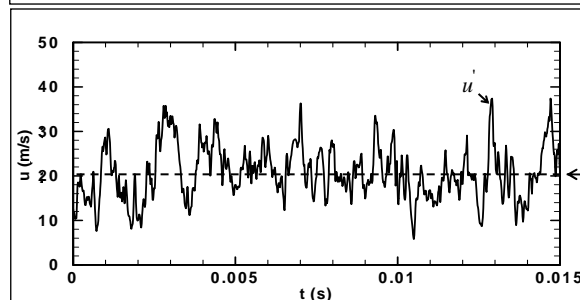
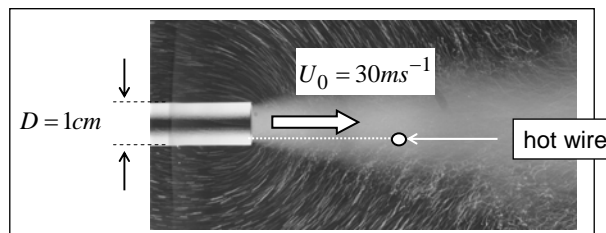
14.1 exemple : a jet

14.2 the Fourier transform

14.3 the energy spectrum

14.1 exemple : a jet

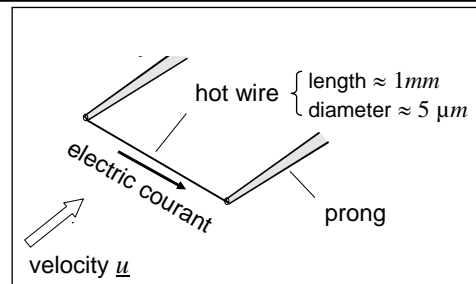
- hot wire measurements



14.1 example : a jet (...)

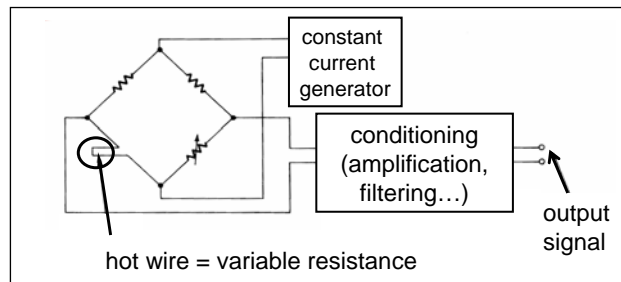
• hot wire : principle

- ✓ a thin metal wire is crossed by an electric current which heats it
- ✓ its resistance varies (linearly) with temperature
- ✓ when the wire is immersed in a flow, it is cooled by forced convection. Thus its resistance varies with the fluid velocity. If the current is kept constant : a voltage variation is measured



• hot wire : constant current mode

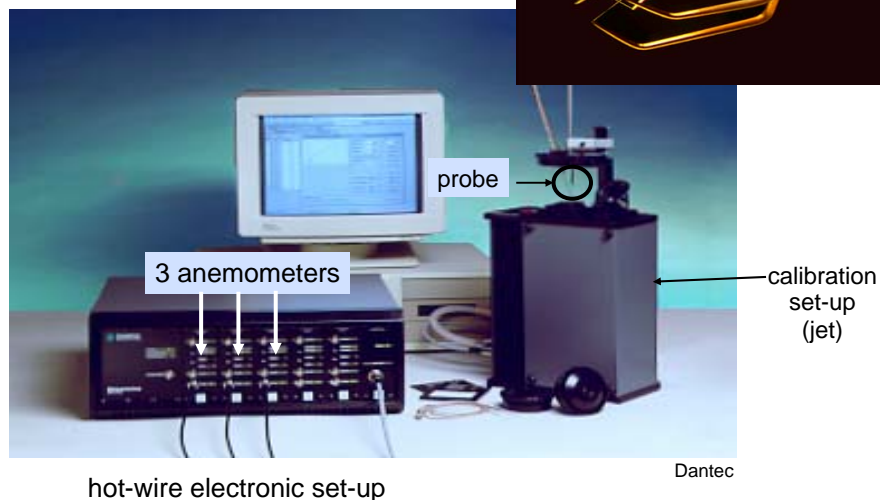
- ✓ voltage variations due to wire resistance variation for a constant current supply are measured by a Wheastone bridge.



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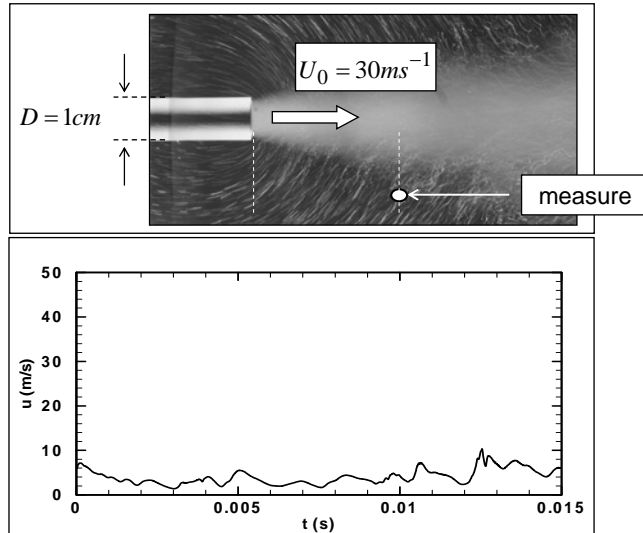
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• hot wire : 3 velocity components



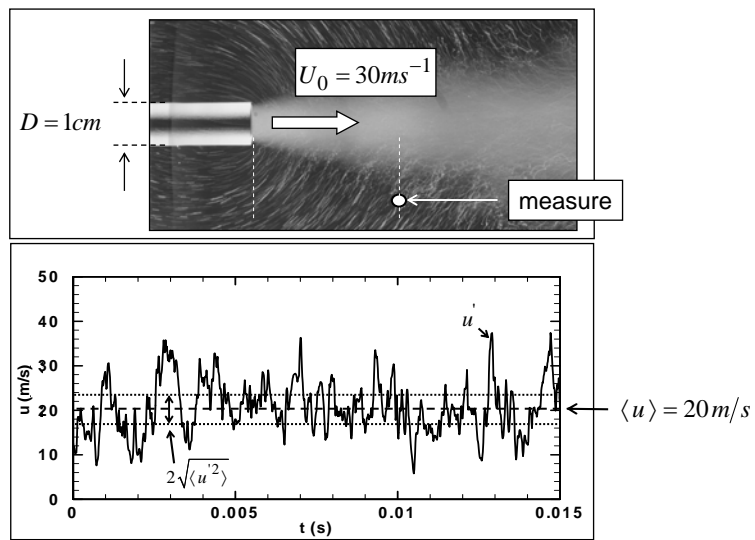
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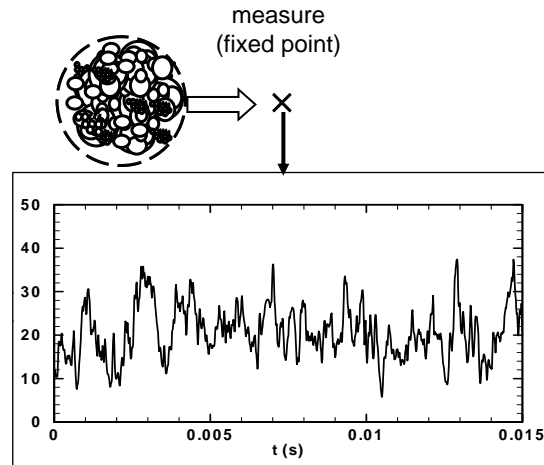
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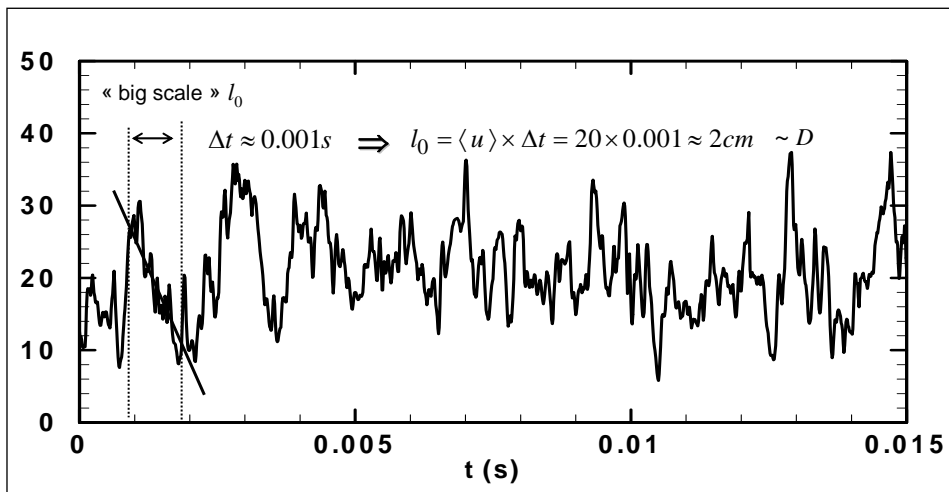
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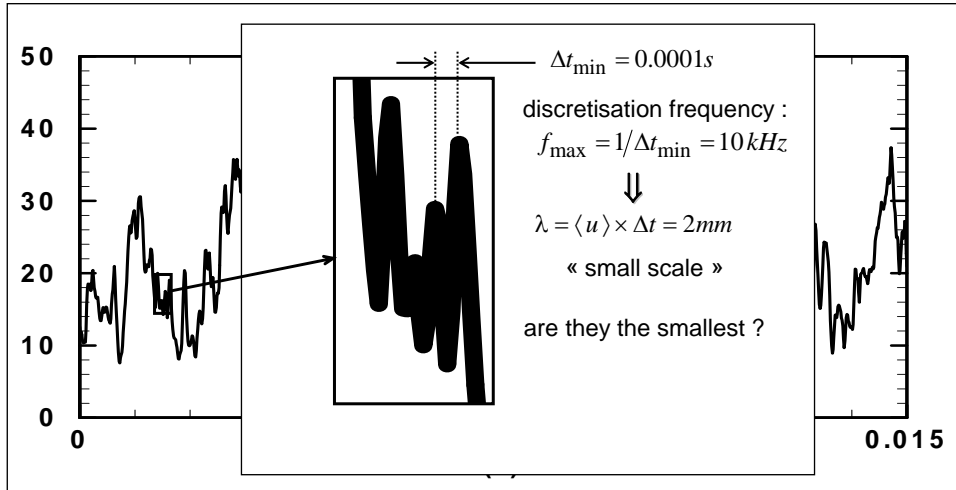
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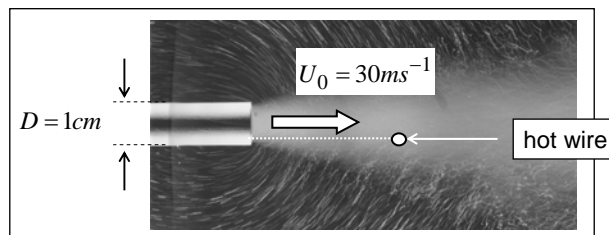
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• the smaller scales

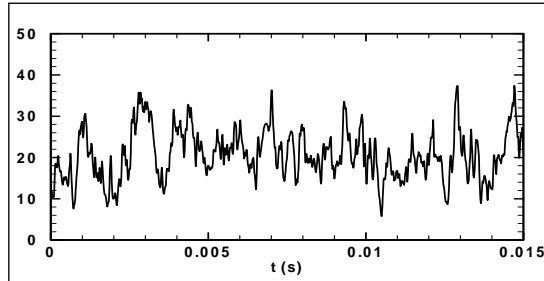


✓ injection of energy into the cascade $\begin{cases} l_0 \sim D \\ u_0 \sim U_0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow Re_0 = \frac{U_0 l_0}{\nu} \sim 210^4 \quad (\nu \approx 1.5 \cdot 10^{-5} m^2 \cdot s^{-1})$

✓ Kolmogorov scale $\frac{\eta}{l_0} = (Re_0)^{-3/4} \sim 6 \cdot 10^{-4} \Rightarrow \boxed{\eta = 6 \mu m}$

✓ Kolmogorov frequency $\boxed{f_\eta = U_0/\eta \sim 5MHz !!!}$

14.2 the Fourier transform



⇒ turbulence scales may be characterized by means of Fourier analyses of its signals

14.2 the Fourier transform

✓ wave vector

$$\underline{x} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\kappa} \text{ (wave vector)}$$

✓ Fourier mode

$$\hat{u}(\underline{\kappa}) = TF \{ \underline{u}(\underline{x}) \} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{R^3} \underline{u}(\underline{x}) e^{-i\underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{x}} d^3 \underline{x}$$

nota :

- time dependence is implicit
- we forget the « primes »



✓ inverse Fourier transform

$$\underline{u}(\underline{x}) = TF^{-1} \{ \hat{u}(\underline{\kappa}) \} = \int_{R^3} \hat{u}(\underline{\kappa}) e^{i\underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{x}} d^3 \underline{\kappa}$$

✓ interpretation : $\hat{u}(\underline{\kappa})$ = amplitude of the sinusoidal component $e^{i\underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{x}}$ of wave vector $\underline{\kappa}$ in $\underline{u}(\underline{x})$

✓ property : derivation

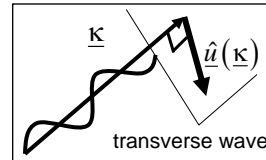
$$TF \left\{ \frac{\partial^n \underline{u}(\underline{x})}{\partial x_i^n} \right\} = (i\kappa_i)^n \hat{u}(\underline{\kappa})$$

⇒ in Fourier space, space derivation becomes a simple algebraic product

14.2 the Fourier transform (...)

• incompressible flows

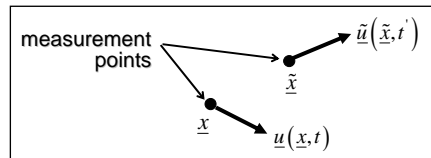
✓ continuity $TF \left\{ \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right\} = i \kappa_i \hat{u}_i(\underline{\kappa}) = i \underline{\kappa} \cdot \hat{\underline{u}}(\underline{\kappa}) = 0$



$\underline{u}(\underline{x}) = \int_{R^3} \hat{\underline{u}}(\underline{\kappa}) e^{i \underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{x}} d^3 \underline{\kappa} \Rightarrow$ turbulence is decomposed into transverse waves of wavelengths $l = \frac{2\pi}{\|\underline{\kappa}\|}$

• double correlation tensor

$\underline{R}(\underline{x}, \tilde{\underline{x}}; t, t') = \langle \underline{u}(\underline{x}, t) \otimes \underline{u}(\tilde{\underline{x}}, t') \rangle$



✓ components

$R_{ij}(\underline{x}, \tilde{\underline{x}}; t, t') = \langle u_i(\underline{x}, t) u_j(\tilde{\underline{x}}, t') \rangle$

✓ statistically steady and fully homogeneous turbulence

$R_{ij}(\underline{x}, \tilde{\underline{x}}; t, t') = R_{ij}(l = \tilde{\underline{x}} - \underline{x}; \tau = t - t')$ independant of t or \underline{x}

14.2 the Fourier transform (...)

• the spectral tensor of the double correlations

✓ homogeneous turbulence : spatial correlation at a given time

$R_{ij}(\underline{x}, \tilde{\underline{x}}; t) = \langle u_i(\underline{x}, t) u_j(\tilde{\underline{x}}, t) \rangle = R_{ij}(l = \tilde{\underline{x}} - \underline{x}; t)$

✓ Fourier transform

$R_{ij}(l) = TF^{-1} \{ \phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) \} = \int_{R^3} \phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) e^{i \underline{\kappa} \cdot l} d^3 \underline{\kappa}$
 \Downarrow
 $\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) = TF \{ R_{ij}(l) \} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{R^3} R_{ij}(l) e^{-i \underline{\kappa} \cdot l} d^3 l$

✓ one can show that

$\langle \hat{u}_i^*(\underline{\kappa}) \hat{u}_j(\underline{p}) \rangle = \phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) \delta(\underline{\kappa} - \underline{p})$ see annex
 $\hat{u}_i^*(\underline{\kappa}) =$ complex conjugate of $\hat{u}_i(\underline{\kappa})$

- ⇒ the Fourier basis is orthogonal : the product of 2 Fourier modes of different wave numbers is nil
- ⇒ $\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa})$ is the **spectral tensor of the double correlations**
- ⇒ shorter : this is the **second order spectral tensor**
- ⇒ it evaluates the correlation between two Fourier modes

annex – second order spectral tensor : demonstration

$$\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) \delta(\underline{\kappa} - \underline{p}) = \langle \hat{u}_i^*(\underline{\kappa}) \hat{u}_j(\underline{p}) \rangle$$

✓ 2 Fourier modes $\hat{u}(\underline{\kappa}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{R^3} \underline{u}(\underline{x}) e^{-i\underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{x}} d^3 \underline{x}$

$$\hat{u}(\underline{p}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{R^3} \underline{u}(\underline{\tilde{x}}) e^{-i\underline{p} \cdot \underline{\tilde{x}}} d^3 \underline{\tilde{x}}$$

✓ correlation $\langle \hat{u}_i^*(\underline{\kappa}) \hat{u}_j(\underline{p}) \rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \int_{R^6} \langle u_i(\underline{x}) u_j(\underline{\tilde{x}}) \rangle e^{i(\underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{x} - \underline{p} \cdot \underline{\tilde{x}})} d^3 \underline{x} d^3 \underline{\tilde{x}}$
 homogeneous turbulence $R_{ij}(\underline{\tilde{x}} - \underline{x} = \underline{l})$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \hat{u}_i^*(\underline{\kappa}) \hat{u}_j(\underline{p}) \rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \int_{R^3} R_{ij}(\underline{l}) \left[\int_{R^3} e^{i(\underline{\kappa} - \underline{p}) \cdot \underline{x}} d^3 \underline{x} \right] e^{-i\underline{p} \cdot \underline{l}} d^3 \underline{l}$$

Fourier = orthogonal basis $\rightarrow (2\pi)^3 \delta(\underline{\kappa} - \underline{p})$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \hat{u}_i^*(\underline{\kappa}) \hat{u}_j(\underline{p}) \rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{R^3} R_{ij}(\underline{l}) e^{-i\underline{p} \cdot \underline{l}} d^3 \underline{l} \delta(\underline{\kappa} - \underline{p}) = \underbrace{\phi_{ij}(\underline{p})}_{\phi_{ij}(\underline{p})} \delta(\underline{\kappa} - \underline{p})$$

14.3 the energy spectrum

$$R_{ij}(\underline{l}) = \langle u_i(\underline{x}) u_j(\underline{x} + \underline{l}) \rangle = \int_{R^3} \phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) e^{i\underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{l}} d^3 \underline{\kappa}$$

• kinetic energy

$$i = j, \underline{l} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} R_{ii}(0) = \int_{R^3} \frac{1}{2} \phi_{ii}(\underline{\kappa}) d^3 \underline{\kappa}$$

where

$$\frac{1}{2} \phi_{ii}(\underline{\kappa}) = \langle \frac{1}{2} \|\hat{\underline{u}}\|^2 \rangle(\underline{\kappa}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{kinetic energy} = \text{sum over all wave vectors } \underline{\kappa} \text{ of the energy of the waves}$$

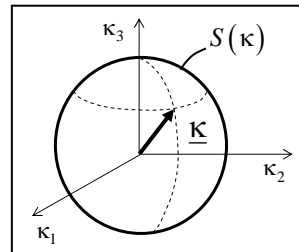
• energy spectrum

$$\frac{1}{2} \langle \underline{u}^2 \rangle \equiv \int_0^\infty E(\kappa) d\kappa \quad \kappa = \|\underline{\kappa}\|$$

where

$$E(\kappa) = \int_{S(\kappa = \|\underline{\kappa}\|)} \frac{1}{2} \phi_{ii}(\underline{\kappa}) da$$

energy spectrum

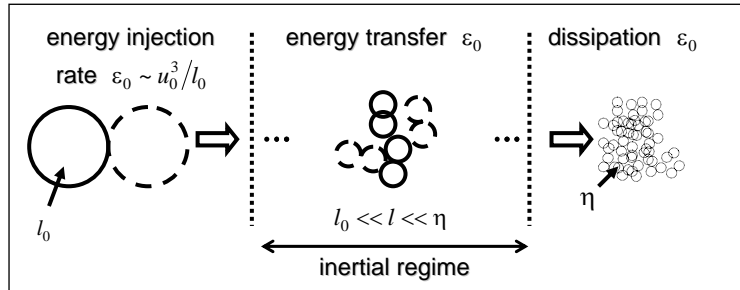


\Rightarrow energy spectrum $E(\kappa) =$ average on a spherical shell of radius $\kappa = \|\underline{\kappa}\|$ of the wave energy

$\Rightarrow E(\kappa)$ sums energy of the waves of wave number $\kappa = \|\underline{\kappa}\|$ in all possible directions

14.3 the energy spectrum

- the « - 5/3 » law (remainder)



- ✓ independant of ν
 - ✓ only depends on ϵ_0 and l_0
- $$\Rightarrow E(\kappa) = f(\epsilon_0, \kappa)$$

✓ dimensional analysis

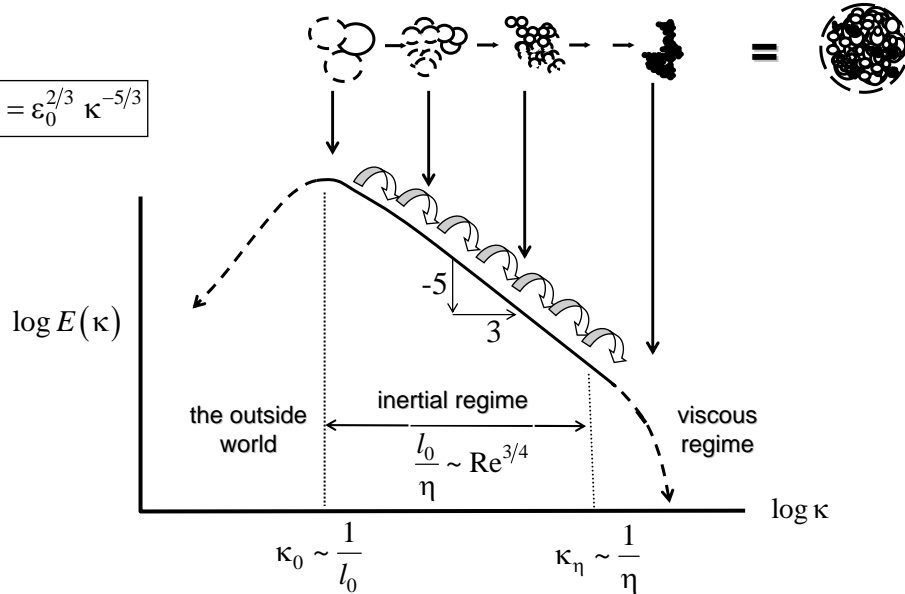
$$\begin{cases} [E(\kappa)] = L^3 T^{-2} & \Leftarrow \frac{1}{2} \langle u^2 \rangle = \int_0^\infty E(\kappa) d\kappa \\ [\epsilon_0] = L^2 T^{-3} & \Leftarrow \epsilon \sim \partial k / \partial t \\ [\kappa] = L^{-1} \end{cases} \Rightarrow E(\kappa) \sim \epsilon_0^{2/3} \kappa^{-5/3}$$

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14.3 the energy spectrum

- the « - 5/3 » law (remainder : lesson 2, chapter 5, § 5.5)

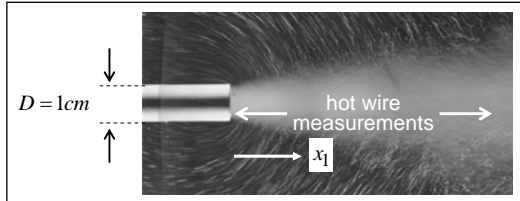
$$E(\kappa) = \epsilon_0^{2/3} \kappa^{-5/3}$$



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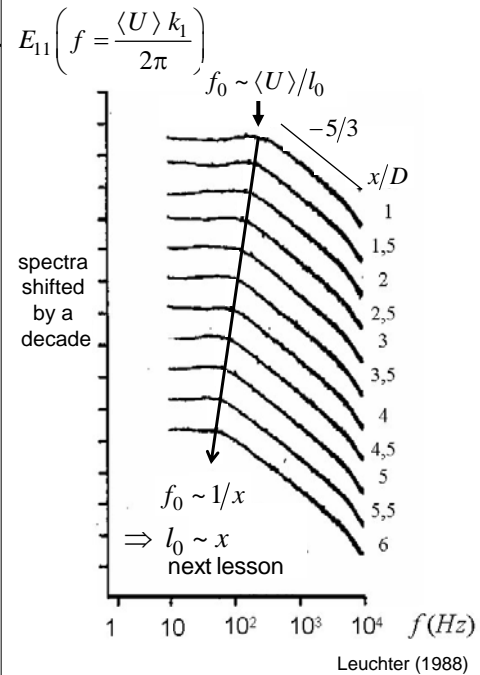
14.3 the energy spectrum

• example : a jet



• remarks

- ✓ $E_{11}(k_1)$ is a one-dimensionnal energy spectrum : this notion will be explained later on
- ✓ « -5/3 » law still valid (same dimensions)
- ⇒ the Richardson-Kolmogorov's phenomenological theory works remarkably well !



chapter 15

statistics in Fourier space – extensive

- 15.1 the energy spectrum of isotropic turbulence
- 15.2 limiting shapes of $E(\kappa)$
- 15.3 how does isotropic turbulence decay ?
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- 15.9 spectra : summary

15.1 energy spectrum of isotropic incompressible turbulence

• **isotropy** means : invariance by rotation and mirror symmetry

• **second order spectral tensor** $\underline{\phi}(\underline{\kappa})$: **isotropic form**

✓ one seeks an expression that ensures isotropy of the bilinear form

$$[\underline{\phi}(\underline{\kappa}) \cdot \underline{a}] \cdot \underline{b} = \phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) a_i b_j = \psi(\underline{\kappa}, \underline{a}, \underline{b}) \text{ where } \underline{a} \text{ and } \underline{b} \text{ are two arbitrary vectors}$$

✓ possible isotropic quantities are scalars built with arguments $\underline{\kappa}, \underline{a}, \underline{b}$:

$$\kappa^2 = \kappa_i \kappa_i, a_i b_i, (a_i \kappa_i)(b_j \kappa_j), \dots$$

⇒ the sought bilinear form can only be : $\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) a_i b_j = \alpha(\kappa)(a_i b_i) + \beta(\kappa)(a_i \kappa_i)(b_j \kappa_j)$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) \text{ isotropic} \Leftrightarrow \phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) = \alpha(\kappa) \delta_{ij} + \beta(\kappa) \kappa_i \kappa_j}$$

• **continuity** : $\kappa_i \phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) \delta(\underline{\kappa} - \underline{p}) = \kappa_i \underbrace{\langle \hat{u}_i^*(\underline{\kappa}) \rangle}_{=0} \hat{u}_j(\underline{p}) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\alpha(\kappa) + \beta(\kappa) \kappa^2 \right] \kappa_j = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta(\kappa) = -\frac{\alpha(\kappa)}{\kappa^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) = \alpha(\kappa) \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{\kappa_i \kappa_j}{\kappa^2} \right)}$$

✓ we have $E(k) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{S(\kappa)} \phi_{ii}(\underline{\kappa}) dS = \frac{1}{2} \int_{S(\kappa)} \alpha(\kappa) [3-1] dS = 4\pi \kappa^2 \alpha(\kappa) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha(\kappa) = \frac{E(\kappa)}{4\pi \kappa^2}$

• **conclusion** $\boxed{\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) = \frac{E(\kappa)}{4\pi \kappa^2} \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{\kappa_i \kappa_j}{\kappa^2} \right)}$

15.1 energy spectrum of isotropic incompressible turbulence

• **isotropic second order spectral tensor**

$$\boxed{\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) = \frac{E(\kappa)}{4\pi \kappa^2} \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{\kappa_i \kappa_j}{\kappa^2} \right)}$$

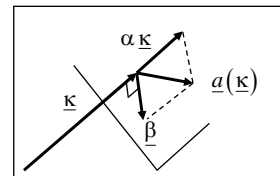
• **remark : the incompressible sub-space**

✓ we have : $\phi_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) = \frac{E(\kappa)}{4\pi \kappa^2} P_{ij}(\underline{\kappa})$ where $P_{ij}(\underline{\kappa}) = \delta_{ij} - \frac{\kappa_i \kappa_j}{\kappa^2}$ = projector onto the space normal to $\underline{\kappa}$ (incompressible sub-space)

• **proof**

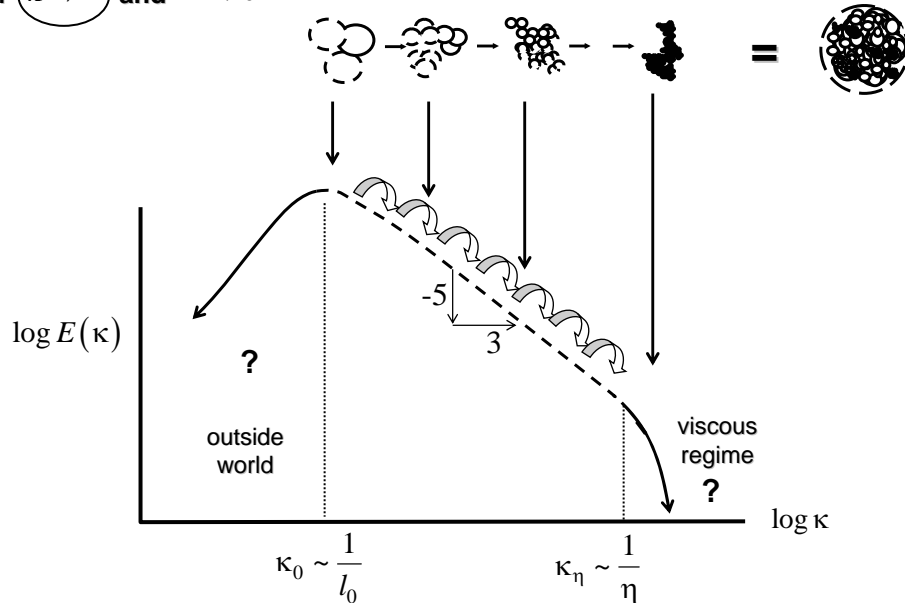
$$\text{let : } \begin{cases} \underline{a}(\underline{\kappa}) = \alpha \underline{\kappa} + \underline{\beta} \\ \underline{\beta} \cdot \underline{\kappa} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then : } (P \cdot \underline{a})_i &= P_{ij} a_j = \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{\kappa_i \kappa_j}{\kappa^2} \right) (\alpha \kappa_j + \beta_j) \\ &= \alpha \left[\kappa_i - \frac{\kappa_i (\kappa_j \kappa_j)}{\kappa^2} \right] + \left[\beta_i - \frac{\kappa_i (\kappa_j \beta_j)}{\kappa^2} \right] \\ &= \beta_i \end{aligned}$$



15.2 limiting shapes of $E(\kappa)$

- laws for $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$ and $\kappa \rightarrow 0$



15.2 limiting shapes of $E(\kappa)$ (...)

- limiting shape $E(\kappa \rightarrow \infty)$

✓ after the inertial regime (singular), the flow recovers infinite differentiability (C^∞)

⇒ $E(\kappa \rightarrow \infty)$ must decrease exponentially, that is faster than any power of κ

- proof

for the the n -order derivative of a scalar function, we have :

$$u^{(n)} = \frac{\partial^n u}{\partial x^n} \Leftrightarrow \widehat{u^{(n)}}(\kappa) = TF\{u^{(n)}\} = (i\kappa)^n \widehat{u}(\kappa)$$

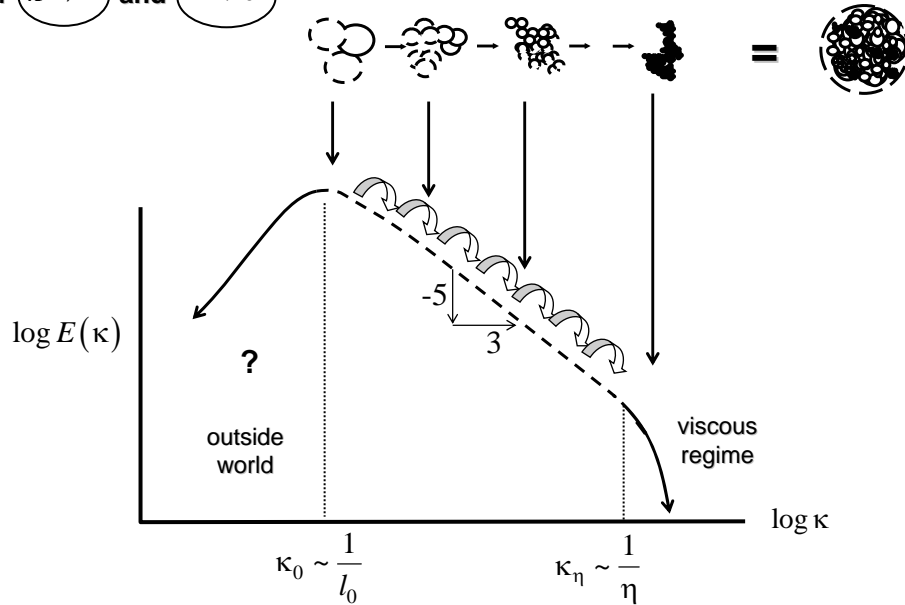
$$\Rightarrow \langle \widehat{u^{(n)}}^*(\kappa) \widehat{u^{(n)}}(\kappa) \rangle = \kappa^{2n} \langle \widehat{u}^*(\kappa) \widehat{u}(\kappa) \rangle = \kappa^{2n} E(\kappa)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle u^{(n)2} \rangle = \int_0^\infty \langle \widehat{u^{(n)}}^*(\kappa) \widehat{u^{(n)}}(p) \rangle d\kappa = \int_0^\infty \kappa^{2n} E(\kappa) d\kappa, \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall n, \langle u^{(n)2} \rangle \text{ is finite} \Leftrightarrow \boxed{E(\kappa \rightarrow \infty) \sim e^{-\kappa}} \quad E(\kappa \rightarrow \infty) \text{ must decrease faster than } \kappa^{2n} \text{ whatever } n$$

15.2 limiting shapes of $E(\kappa)$

- laws for $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$ and $\kappa \rightarrow 0$



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15.2 limiting shapes of $E(\kappa)$ (...)

- limiting shape $E(\kappa \rightarrow 0)$

✓ numerical simulations of isotropic turbulence suggest

$$E(\kappa \rightarrow 0) \sim \kappa^p, 2 \leq p \leq 4$$

- a model (see Pope, 2000)

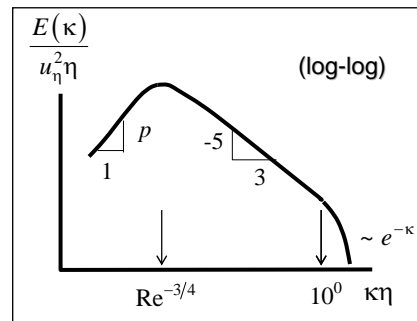
$$E(\kappa) = \text{const.} \times \varepsilon^{2/3} \kappa^{-5/3} f_L(\kappa l_0) f_\eta(\kappa \eta)$$

where

$$\begin{cases} f_L(\kappa l_0) = \left(\frac{\kappa l_0}{\sqrt{(\kappa l_0)^2 + c_L}} \right)^{5/3+p} \\ f_\eta(\kappa \eta) = \exp\left\{ -\beta \left[(\kappa \eta)^4 + c_\eta^4 \right]^{1/4} - c_\eta \right\} \end{cases}$$

✓ properties

$$\begin{cases} \lim_{\kappa l_0 \rightarrow \infty} f_L(\kappa l_0) = 1 \\ \lim_{\kappa l_0 \rightarrow 0} f_L(\kappa l_0) \sim \kappa^{5/3+p} \\ \lim_{\kappa \eta \rightarrow \infty} f_\eta(\kappa \eta) \sim e^{-\beta \kappa} \\ \lim_{\kappa \eta \rightarrow 0} f_\eta(\kappa \eta) = 1 \end{cases}$$



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15.3 how does isotropic turbulence decay ?

✓ how does the energy spectrum deforms ?

