

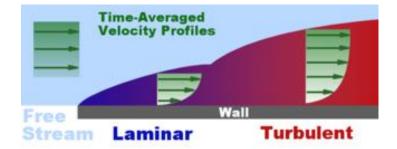
Non-normality and non-linearity in fluid systems

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Transition to turbulence, a burning question for 100+ years ...

The simplest problem: incompressible boundary layer What happens/why?



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boundary_layer_transition

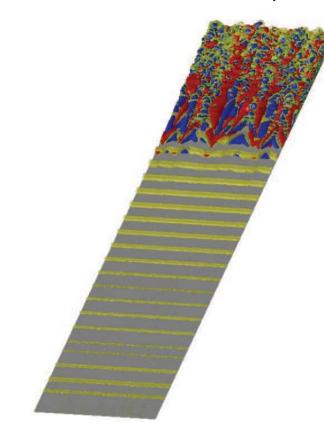
"... the concept of boundary layer transition is a complex one and still lacks a complete theoretical exposition."

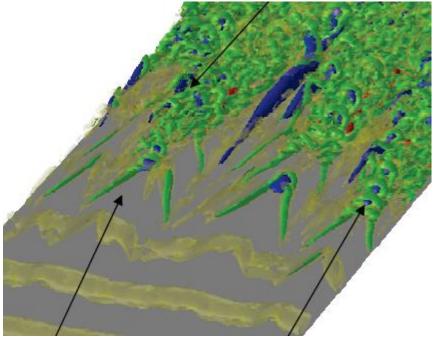


• 2D TS waves

SUPERCRITICAL TRANSITION

(for 'small' disturbance levels)

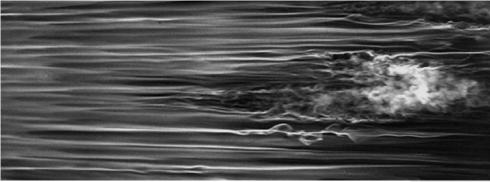




 Λ -vortices hairpin vortices

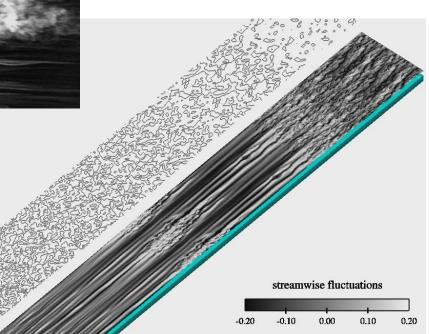
Schlatter, 2009

• Emmons (1951) spots, induced by free-stream turbulence



Matsubara & Alfredsson, 2005

SUBCRITICAL (BYPASS) TRANSITION (for 'large' Tu disturbance levels)



Zaki & Durbin, 2005

Classical linear stability theory provides Re_{crit} above which one eigenmode is unstable, but it seems to be of little use ...

	Poiseuille	Couette	Hagen-Poiseuille	Square duct
Re _{crit}	5772	∞	∞	∞
Re _{trans}	~2000	~400	~2000	~2000

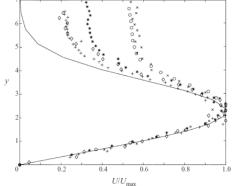
Can 'optimal perturbations ' (because of non-normal evolution operator) explain bypass transition?

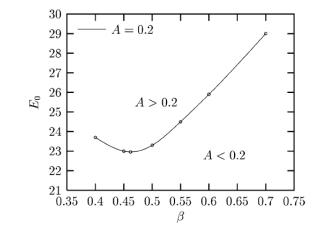
- Linear (based on B/L scalings):

Andersson, Bergreen, Henningson, 1999 Luchini, 2000

Nonlinear (based or not on B/L scalings):

Zuccher, Luchini, Bottaro, 2004

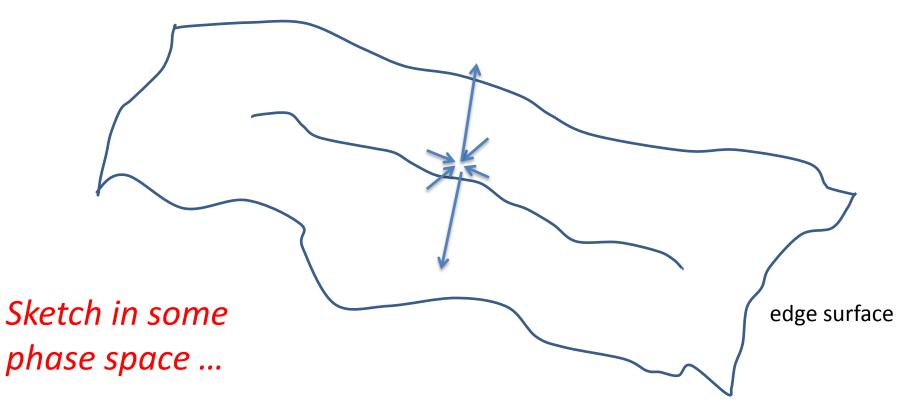


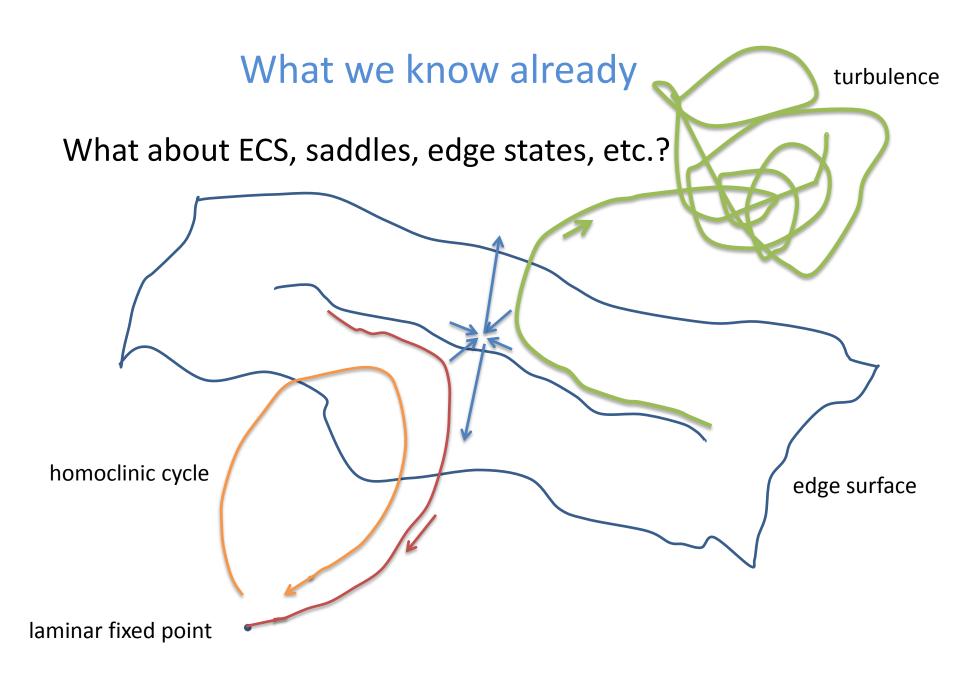


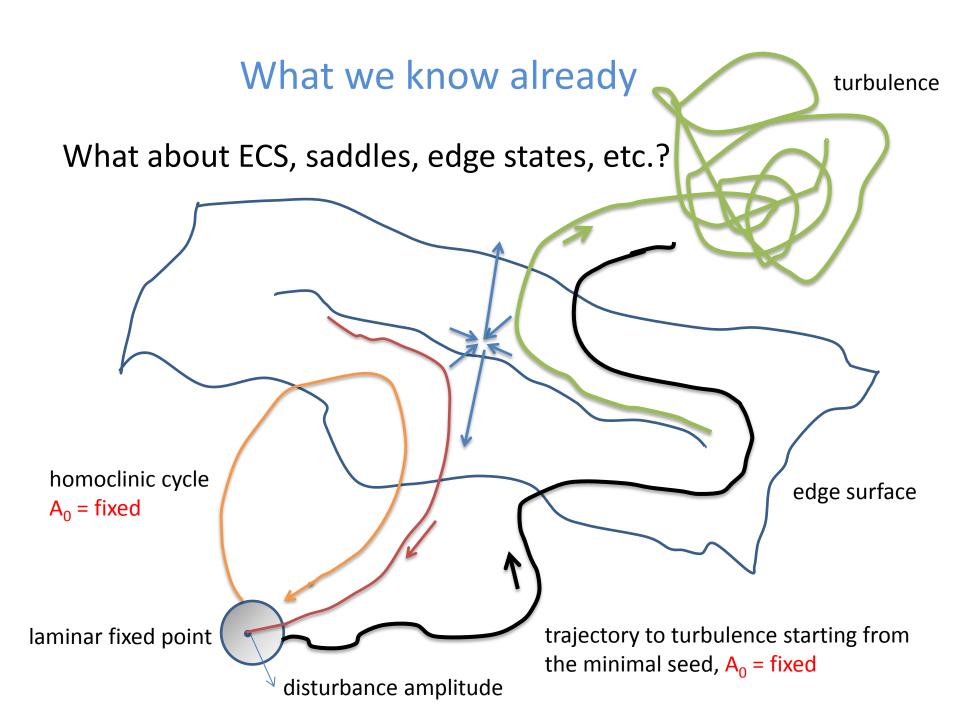
... but $\alpha = 0$ streaks are not good at kicking transition

> Waleffe, 1995 Andersson et al., 2001

What about ECS, saddles, edge states, etc.?







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And so what?

(let us move to finite dimensional – i.e. computational – space)

- Eigenvectors may form a complete set but are not orthogonal
- This allows for transient energy growth even when all eigenvalues are damped

Ex.
$$d\mathbf{u}/dt = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}$$
 $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon & 1 \\ 0 & -2\varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$ $\mathbf{A}^* = \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon & 0 \\ 1 & -2\varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$
 $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$
 $\mathbf{u} = \Sigma_k \mathbf{c}_k \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{e}^{\lambda_k t}$

2 damped e-values

$$\lambda_1 = -\varepsilon \qquad \mathbf{u}_1 = (1 \quad 0)^{\mathsf{T}}$$

$$\lambda_2 = -2\varepsilon \qquad \mathbf{u}_2 = (1 \quad -\varepsilon)^{\mathsf{T}} \qquad (\mathbf{A} \text{ is a disturbance of a Jordan block})$$

Energy

$$\Xi = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \Sigma_k \Sigma_h \overline{\mathbf{c}_k} \mathbf{c}_h e^{(\lambda_k + \lambda_h)t} \mathbf{u}_k \cdot \mathbf{u}_h$$

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• If e-vectors are orthogonal (and orthonormal, so that $\mathbf{u}_k \cdot \mathbf{u}_h = \delta_{hk}$):

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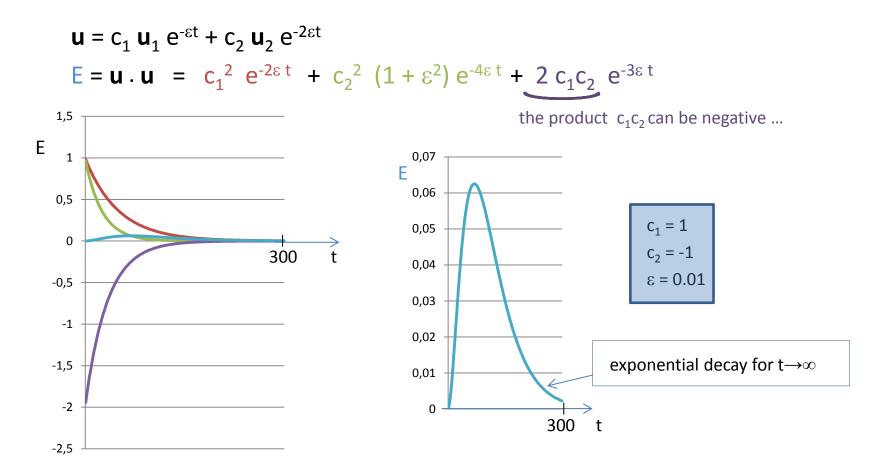
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If e-vectors are not orthogonal (as in the simple 2 x 2 example for which u₁. u₂ = 1 and the e-vectors are almost parallel):

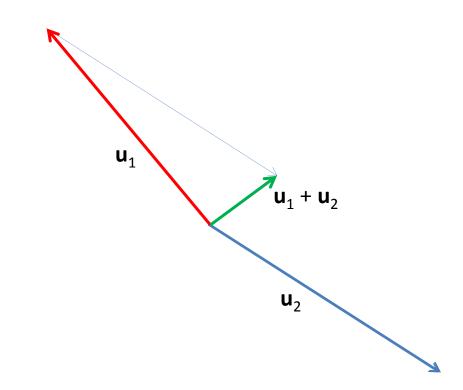
$$\mathbf{u} = c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 e^{-\varepsilon t} + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 e^{-2\varepsilon t}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = c_1^2 e^{-2\varepsilon t} + c_2^2 (1 + \varepsilon^2) e^{-4\varepsilon t} + \frac{2 c_1 c_2 e^{-3\varepsilon t}}{2 c_1 c_2 e^{-3\varepsilon t}}$$

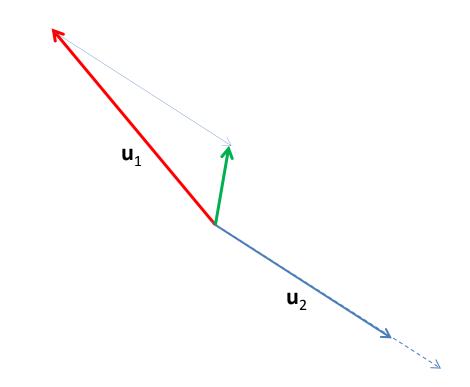
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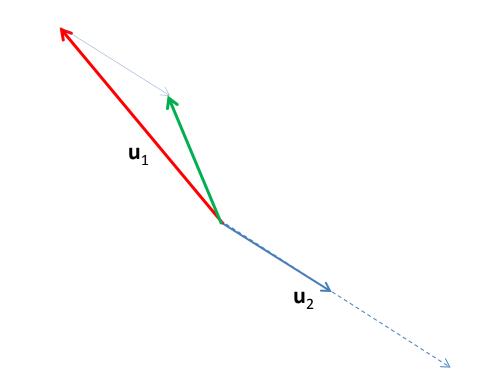
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Interesting conclusion

- In a linear system which is non-normal an arbitrary disturbance can grow transiently (for early times) even when all eigenmodes are damped
- Bearings onto hydrodynamic stability problems ruled by non-normal operators → much work has gone on in the past twenty years on transient growth of perturbations (particularly for parallel and quasiparallel shear flows, but recently also for other types of instabilities, including thermoacoustics, cf. the recent review by R. I. Sujith, M. P. Juniper & P. J. Schmid, "Non-Normality and Nonlinearity in Thermoacoustic Instabilities", International Journal of Spray and Combustion Dynamics, in press, 2015.)

Use variational analysis to find **optimal initial disturbances** which grow the most over a given time stretch

Prototype problem: plane Couette flow
base flow:
$$\begin{bmatrix} U(y) \\ 0 \\ P(x) \end{bmatrix} = (y, 0, 0, 0)^{\mathsf{T}}$$

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$$P_x = \frac{1}{Re} U_{yy}$$
disturbance: $\epsilon \begin{bmatrix} u_{11}(y, t) \\ v_{11}(y, t) \\ w_{11}(y, t) \\ p_{11}(y, t) \end{bmatrix} e^{i(\alpha x + \beta z)} + \text{c.c.}$

The disturbance equations are:

$$\begin{split} i\alpha u_{11} + v_{11y} + i\beta w_{11} &= 0, \\ i\alpha u_{11} + v_{11y} + i\beta w_{11} &= 0, \\ i\alpha p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k u_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)v_{11} &+ p_{11y} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k v_{11}, \\ w_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + i\alpha (U)w_{11} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{11}, \\ v_{11t} + &i\beta w_{11} &= \frac{1}{Re} \Delta_k w_{1$$

$$\Delta_k = \partial^2 / \partial y^2 - \alpha^2 - \beta^2$$

Objective:
$$e(T) = \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} (u_{11}\overline{u_{11}} + v_{11}\overline{v_{11}} + w_{11}\overline{w_{11}})dy \Big|_{t=T}$$

 $G(\epsilon, Re, \alpha, \beta, T) = \frac{e(T)}{e(0)}$

• Direct problem: $du/dt = Au + maximize G = \frac{u(T) \cdot u(T)}{u(0) \cdot u(0)}$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon & 1 \\ 0 & -2\varepsilon \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{A}^* = \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon & 0 \\ 1 & -2\varepsilon \end{pmatrix} = \overline{\mathbf{A}}^\mathsf{T}$$

$$λ1 = -ε$$
 $u1 = (1 0)T$
 $v1 = (ε 1)T$
 $λ2 = -2ε$
 $u2 = (1 -ε)T$
 $v2 = (0 1)T$

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -\varepsilon \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• Direct problem: $d\mathbf{u}/dt = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} + \text{maximize } \mathbf{G} = \frac{\mathbf{u}(T) \cdot \mathbf{u}(T)}{\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{u}(0)}$

We can easily show that u(t) = P(t) u(0)

P *propagator* of the initial condition defined by:

$$\mathbf{P}(t) = \mathbf{U} \ \mathbf{e}^{\Lambda t} \ \mathbf{U}^{-1} = \mathbf{U} \ \mathbf{e}^{\Lambda t} \ \mathbf{V}^{\mathsf{T}}$$

so that
$$\mathbf{G} = \frac{\mathbf{P} \mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{P} \mathbf{u}(0)}{\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{u}(0)} = \frac{\overline{\mathbf{u}}(0)^{\mathsf{T}} \ \overline{\mathbf{P}}^{\mathsf{T}} \ \mathbf{P} \mathbf{u}(0)}{\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{u}(0)} = \frac{\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \overline{\mathbf{P}}^{\mathsf{T}} \ \mathbf{P} \mathbf{u}(0)}{\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{u}(0)}$$

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The Rayleigh quotient $G = \frac{\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \overline{\mathbf{P}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{u}(0)}{\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{u}(0)}$ yields the largest

gain G as the largest (real) e-value of the problem:

$$\overline{\mathbf{P}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{u}_0$$

 $\overline{\mathbf{P}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{P}$ symmetric

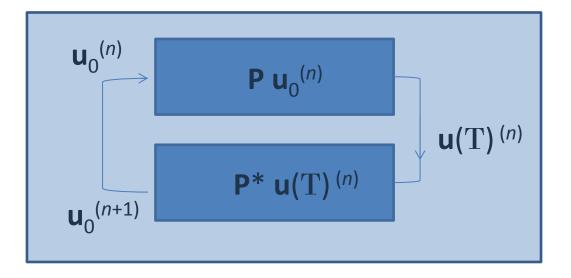
The corresponding \mathbf{u}_0 is the optimal (initial) perturbation

The optimal output at time T is: $\mathbf{u}(T) = \mathbf{P}(T) \mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{G} (\mathbf{P}^*)^{-1} \mathbf{u}_0$

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- Adjoint problem: $d\mathbf{v}/dt = \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{v}$

$$\mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} \mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{u}_0$$

(most often it is not easy to compute **P** ...)



back to Couette flow ...

- The adjoint equations are linear and can be easily obtained from the direct equations via integrations by parts
- Optimal disturbances are quasi-streamwise vortices, with G = 0.00118 Re², α = 35/Re, β = 1.60, at T = 0.117 Re, which transform into elongated streaks downstream.

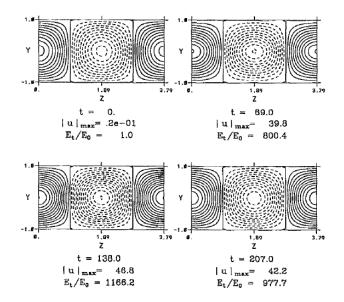


FIG. 4. Development of the perturbation streamwise velocity u for the best growing perturbation independent of x in Couette flow with R = 1000, located at $\beta = 1.66$, $\tau = 138$. Values are normalized by the maximum value of v at time t=0.

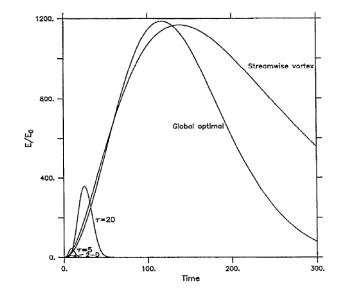


FIG. 8. Energy growth versus time for the global optimal, the streamwise vortex, and 2-D perturbation which grow the most, and perturbations which grow the most in 5 and 20 advective time units in Couette flow with R=1000.

Three-dimensional optimal perturbations in viscous shear flow

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Problem is ... this does not work!

 The optimal perturbations DO NOT set up a flow field which undergoes transition easily.
 Other (suboptimal) disturbances undergo transition at much smaller initial energy levels E₀...

 $d\mathbf{u}/dt = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} + b.c.$ Functional: $\mathcal{L} = \mathbf{u}(T) \cdot \mathbf{u}(T)$ Constraint: $\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{u}(0) = E_0$ (imposed)

Scalar product: $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \overline{\mathbf{a}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{b}$

$$\max \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \max \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{L} + \int_{0}^{T} \mathbf{v} \cdot (d\mathbf{u}/dt - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}) dt + a (\mathbf{u}(0) \cdot \mathbf{u}(0) - E_{0})$$

v and a are Lagrange multipliers

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 $\delta \mathcal{F} = \mathbf{0}$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} \, \delta \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} =$$

 $= \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathsf{T}} \delta \mathbf{u}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathsf{T}} + \int_{0}^{\mathsf{T}} (\bar{\mathbf{v}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathrm{d} \delta \mathbf{u} / \mathrm{dt} - \bar{\mathbf{v}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{A} \delta \mathbf{u}) \mathrm{dt} + \mathrm{a} \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{0}^{\mathsf{T}} \delta \mathbf{u}_{0}^{\mathsf{T}} = \mathbf{u}_{\mathrm{T}} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathsf{T}} + \int_{0}^{\mathsf{T}} (-\mathrm{d} \mathbf{v} / \mathrm{dt} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u} - \bar{\mathbf{A}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{v} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u}) \mathrm{dt} + \mathrm{a} \mathbf{u}_{0} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u}_{0}^{\mathsf{T}} + [\mathbf{v} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u}]_{0}^{\mathsf{T}}$

Adjoint problem:

$$-d\mathbf{v}/dt = \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{v}$$

Initial condition: $\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{T}} = -\mathbf{u}_{\mathrm{T}}$

Initial condition direct problem: $\mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{v}_0/\mathbf{a}$ $(d\mathbf{u}/dt = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u})$ with the scalar **a** chosen so that $\mathbf{u}_0 \cdot \mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{E}_0$

Direct-adjoint loop typically converges fast; it is stopped when $(\mathbf{u}_{T}, \mathbf{u}_{T})^{n+1} - (\mathbf{u}_{T}, \mathbf{u}_{T})^{n} < \text{tolerance set}$

What are **adjoints** good for?

THEY PROVIDE **SENSITIVITY MAPS** (crucial for sensitivity, receptivity, data assimilation, optimal and robust control, etc.)

AN INTRODUCTION TO ADJOINT PROBLEMS

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IMPORTANT

Lagrangian approach can be easily extended to perform **NONLINEAR** optimization.

Adding nonlinear terms ...

Model problem:

$$d\mathbf{u}/dt = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} + \|\mathbf{u}\| \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}$$

 $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon & 1 \\ 0 & -2\varepsilon \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ where } \mathbf{B} \text{ is chosen}$ to be energy preserving, *i.e.* $\overline{\mathbf{u}}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} = 0$ (to mimick the nonlinear terms of NS eqs.)

Hydrodynamic Stability Without Eigenvalues

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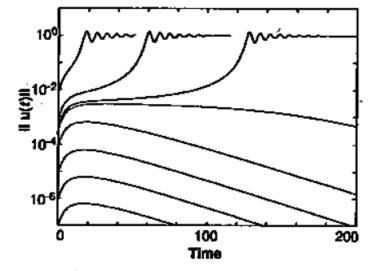
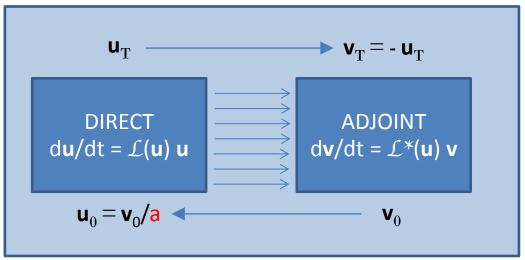


Fig. 10. $\|\mathbf{u}(t)\|$ for solutions to the nonlinear 2 \times 2 model problem of Eq. 14 with initial amplitudes $\|\mathbf{u}(0)\| = 10^{-7}$, 10^{-6} , 10^{-6} , 10^{-4} , 4 x 10^{-4} , 5 × 10^{-4}, 10⁻³, and 10⁻². The threshold amplitude is $\|\mathbf{u}(0)\| = 4.22 \times 10^{-4}$.

Adding nonlinear terms ...

The adjoint equation becomes:

and optimization can be carried out just like in the nonlinear case, i.e. adjoint looping



Couette flow

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \otimes \vec{v}) + \nabla p &= \frac{1}{Re} \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \vec{f}, \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{v} &= \dot{m}. \end{split}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathscr{L} &= \frac{E(T)}{E(0)} - \int_0^T \left\langle u^{\dagger}, \left\{ \frac{\partial u'}{\partial t} + u' \cdot \nabla U + U \cdot \nabla u' + u' \cdot \nabla u' + \nabla p' - \frac{\nabla^2 u'}{Re} \right\} \right\rangle \, \mathrm{d}t \\ &- \int_0^T \left\langle p^{\dagger}, \nabla \cdot u' \right\rangle \, \mathrm{d}t - \lambda \left(\frac{E_0}{E(0)} - 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{f}^{\dagger}}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \left(\nabla \vec{f}^{\dagger} + \nabla \vec{f}^{\dagger}^{T} \right) + \nabla \dot{m}^{\dagger} + \frac{1}{Re} \nabla^{2} \vec{f}^{\dagger} = -\mathcal{D}_{\vec{v}} J,$$
$$\nabla \cdot \vec{f}^{\dagger} = -\mathcal{D}_{p} J,$$

Couette flow

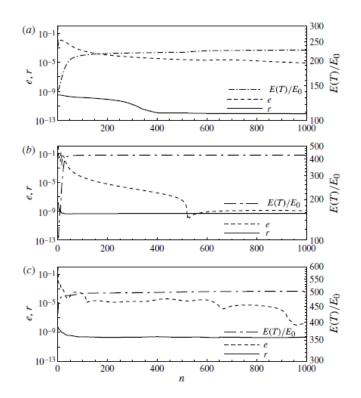


FIGURE 1. Convergence history for a nonlinear optimization at target time (a) T = 50 with $E_0 = 0.005$, (b) T = 30 with $E_0 = 0.025$, and (c) T = 30 with $E_0 = 0.1$. Solid line, residual; dashed line, error on the objective function; dot-dashed line, value of the energy gain.

Nonlinear optimal perturbations in a Couette flow: bursting and transition

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Couette flow

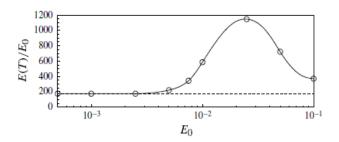


FIGURE 3. Optimal energy gain at target time T = 50 for different values of the initial energy E_0 . The dashed line represents the linear optimization result.

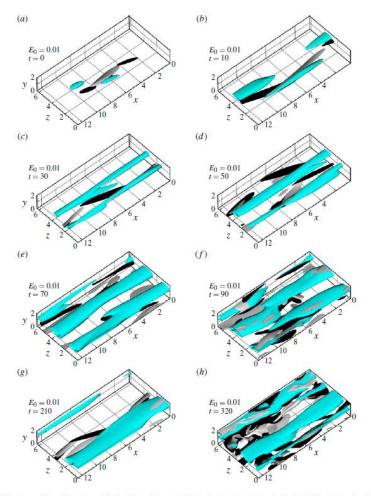


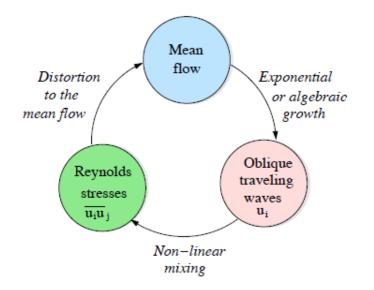
FIGURE 10. (Colour online) Snapshots of the time evolution of the nonlinear optimal perturbation obtained for $E_0 = 0.01$ and T = 50: iso-surfaces of the perturbations (grey, blue online, for the negative streamwise component of the velocity; black and pale grey for negative and positive streamwise vorticity, respectively) at (a) t = 0, (b) t = 10, (c) t = 30, (d) t = 50, (e) t = 70, (f) t = 90, (g) t = 210 and (h) t = 320. Surfaces for (a,b) u' = -0.015, $\omega'_x = \pm 0.5$, (c) u' = -0.025, $\omega'_x = \pm 0.75$, (d-h) u' = -0.035, $\omega'_x = \pm 0.75$.

Couette flow

KEY POINTS:

- 1. Nonlinear optimals are very different from linear ones
- 2. A complete parametric study is impossible, because of
 - large parametric space
 - each direct problem is a full DNS

Alternative: weakly nonlinear optimization of transition



The simplest possible triple development

$$\begin{bmatrix} U(y) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ P(x) \end{bmatrix} + \epsilon \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}(x, y, z, t) \\ \tilde{v}(x, y, z, t) \\ \tilde{w}(x, y, z, t) \\ \tilde{p}(x, y, z, t) \end{bmatrix} + \epsilon^2 \begin{bmatrix} u_{00}(y, t) \\ v_{00}(y, t) \\ w_{00}(y, t) \\ p_{00}(y, t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}, \tilde{p})(x, y, z, t) = (\mathbf{u}_{11}, p_{11})(y, t)e^{i(\alpha x + \beta z)} + (\overline{\mathbf{u}_{11}}, \overline{p_{11}})(y, t)e^{-i(\alpha x + \beta z)},$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

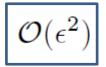
$$i\alpha u_{11} + v_{11y} + i\beta w_{11} = 0,$$

$$u_{11t} + i\alpha (U + \epsilon^2 u_{00})u_{11} + v_{11}(U + \epsilon^2 u_{00})y + i\beta(\epsilon^2 w_{00})u_{11} + i\alpha p_{11} = \frac{1}{Re}\Delta_k u_{11},$$

$$v_{11t} + i\alpha (U + \epsilon^2 u_{00})v_{11} + i\beta(\epsilon^2 w_{00})v_{11} + p_{11y} = \frac{1}{Re}\Delta_k v_{11},$$

$$w_{11t} + i\alpha (U + \epsilon^2 u_{00})w_{11} + v_{11}(\epsilon^2 w_{00y}) + i\beta(\epsilon^2 w_{00})w_{11} + i\beta p_{11} = \frac{1}{Re}\Delta_k w_{11},$$

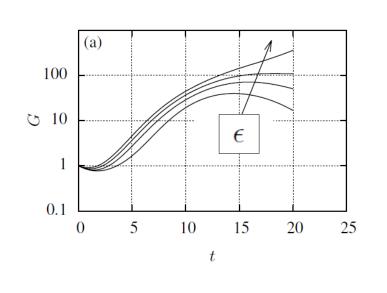
 $\Delta_k = \partial^2 / \partial y^2 - k^2$ and $k^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2$



$$\begin{aligned} v_{00} &= 0, \\ u_{00t} - \frac{1}{Re} u_{00yy} = -[v_{11}\overline{u}_{11y} + i\beta w_{11}\overline{u}_{11} + c.c.], \\ p_{00y} &= -[i\alpha u_{11}\overline{v}_{11} + v_{11}\overline{v}_{11y} + i\beta w_{11}\overline{v}_{11} + c.c.], \\ w_{00t} - \frac{1}{Re} w_{00yy} &= -[i\alpha u_{11}\overline{w}_{11} + v_{11}\overline{w}_{11y} + c.c.], \end{aligned}$$

$$e(T) = \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \left. \int_{-1}^{1} (u_{11}\overline{u_{11}} + v_{11}\overline{v_{11}} + w_{11}\overline{w_{11}}) dy \right|_{t=T}$$

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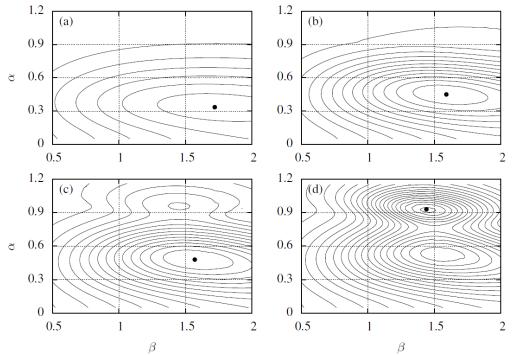
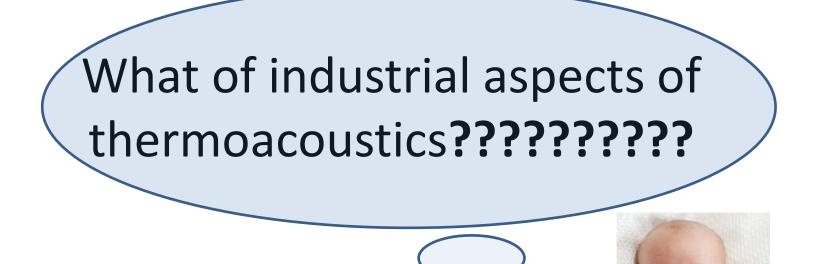


FIGURE 6. Gain G in the $\alpha - \beta$ plane for Re = 400 and T = 20; (a) $\epsilon \to 0$ with contour values from 20 to 120, (b) $\epsilon = 0.0145$ with contour values from 20 to 240, (c) $\epsilon = 0.0153$ with contour values from 20 to 300, (d) $\epsilon = 0.01603$ with contour values from 20 to 380. The interval among adjacent isolines is $\Delta G = 20$ in frames. The maximum value of G for each ϵ is denoted by a filled circle.



What of thermoacoustic instabilities in combustion chambers???

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- Can a combustor sustain limit-cycle oscillations even when its base flow is linearly stable?
- "Triggering" is driven by nonlinearities and nonnormality!

Thermoacoustics

- NN and NL stems from the convective terms in the governing equations and it has been known since Dowling (1996) that convective terms should not be discarded (Ma → 0 limit is questionable)
- NN and NL effects are present also in the flameacoustic interaction term
- Any **model** of annular (or other) combustor must account for nonlinearity and modal interactions

Work in progress

- Much has been accomplished, in particular by the groups of Sujith and Juniper, for the Rjike tube
- There is much scope for investigating more complex configurations, with low order models like LOTAN/LOMTI or higher fidelity simulations (COMSOL, OpenFOAM)
- *Bottleneck*: unsteady heat release model (progress along the lines of Maria's FDF)

A new perspective on the flame describing function of a matrix flame

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