

Drag reduction effects in a turbulent channel flow induced by spanwise wall oscillations

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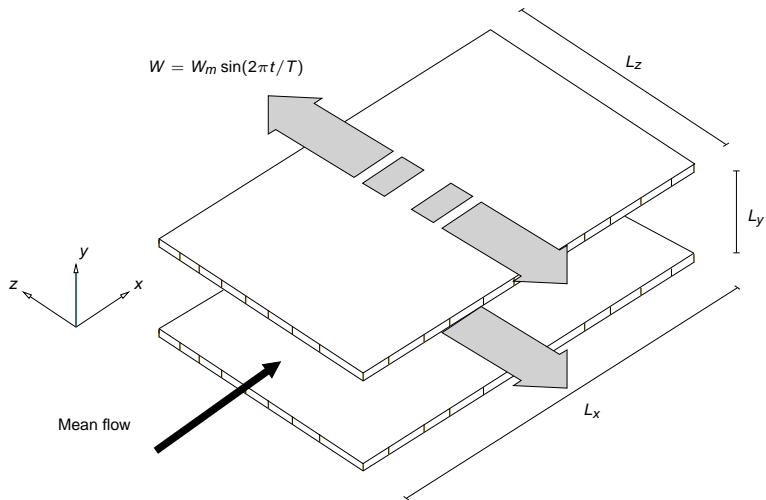
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THE OSCILLATING-WALL FLOW



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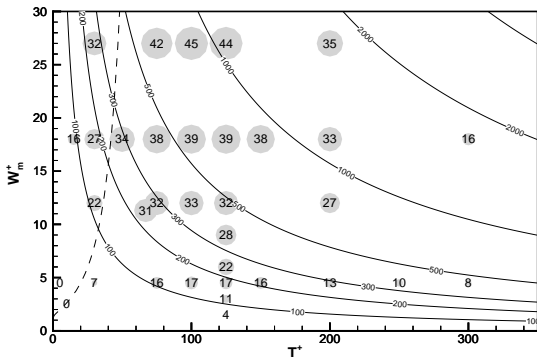
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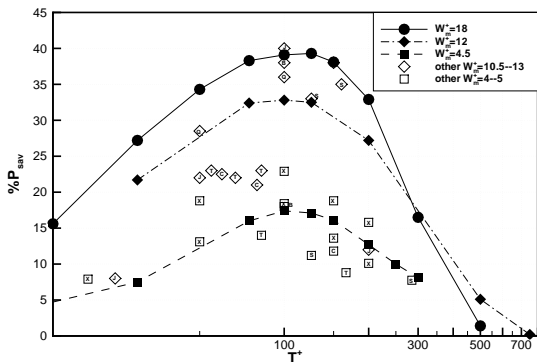
MAP OF DRAG REDUCTION

- **Hyperbolae** - constant D_m^+ max wall displacement
- **Dashed line** - Optimum $T_{opt,D}^+$



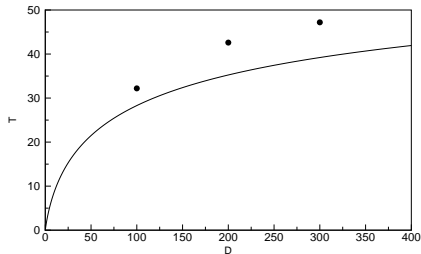
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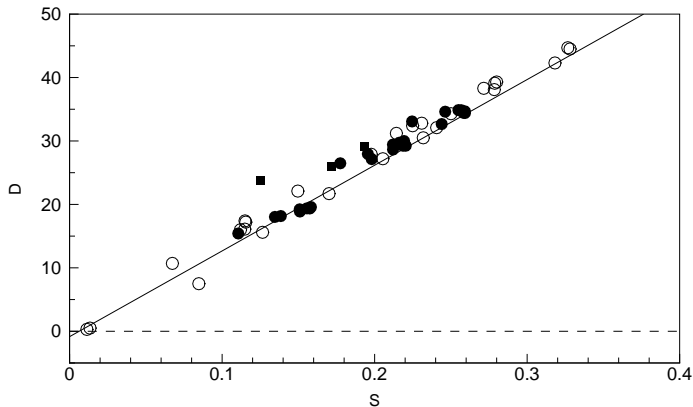
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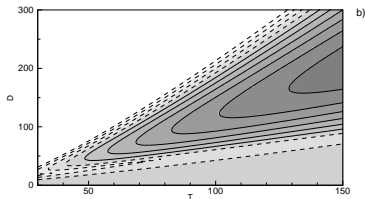
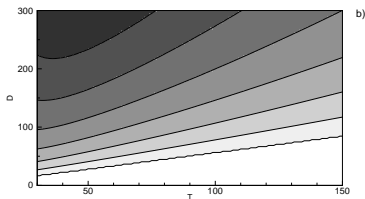
- Experimental: $T_{opt,D}^+$ NEVER MEASURED! $\rightarrow W_m^+$ scaling parameter!?! ;-(
- Numerical: $T_{opt,W}^+$

DR(%) SCALING



- **Scaling:** $DR(\%) \sim \Omega_{x,m}$
- Good for prediction of $DR(\%)$ and $P_{net}(\%)$

MAPS: $DR(\%)$ & $P_{net}(\%)$



- $P_{net,max} = S_1 \sqrt{\pi/T^+} \exp\left(-\ell_a^+ \sqrt{\pi/T^+}\right) \left(P_1 - \ell_a^+ \sqrt{\pi/T^+}\right) + S_2$
maximum net energy balance
- **Minimal conditions** minimum forcing to get $DR(\%)$
- **Key for applications** Lorentz forcing, plasma forcing
- **Minimal conditions not satisfied** oscillating and sinusoidal riblets

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