

Impulse Response in Turbulent Channel Flow

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Impulse Response Features

It describes the Input-Output relationship of a dynamic system.

- Perturbation propagation
- Flow control application (plasma actuators)
- Insights for development and testing of turbulent models¹

Background

M. Jovanović and B. Bamieh, *Componentwise energy amplification in channel flows* - J. Fluid Mech., 2004

Impulse response for linearized laminar channel flow

Goal

Extend Jovanović's work and provide the impulse response in the turbulent case

1) S. Russo, P. Luchini - J. Fluid Mech., 2016

Description

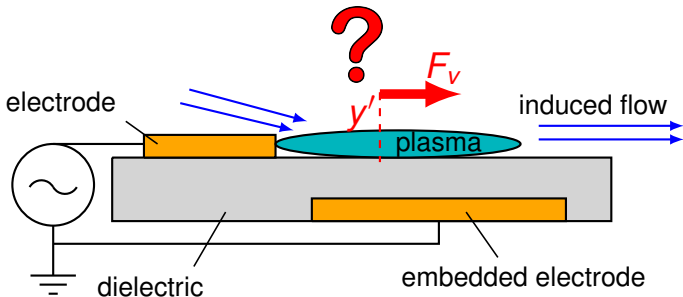
Impulse response to volume force $\mathcal{H}_{ij}(k_x, y, k_z, \omega)$

- linearized laminar base flow
- results averaged in the wall-normal direction
- forcing uniformly applied among the channel height

Current work

Impulse response to volume force $\mathcal{H}_{ij}(x, y, z, t; y_f)$

- turbulent base flow (DNS)
- physical space and time evolution
- influence of the wall-normal distance of the forcing y_f



DBD configuration



1D definition:

$$u(t) = \int \mathcal{H}(t - t') f(t) dt'$$

Impulse response \mathcal{H} (fluid dynamics)

Relationship between the body forcing input $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ and the velocity output $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t)$:

$$\mathbf{u}_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int \mathcal{H}_{ij}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t - t') \mathbf{f}_j(\mathbf{x}', t) d\mathbf{x}' dt'$$

Impulse Response Measurement

Three possible techniques:

Impulse Response

- ✓ easy implementation
- ✗ linear response \Rightarrow small perturbation \Rightarrow small S/N ratio

Frequency Response ¹

- ✓ distributed force
- ✗ only one space-time frequency at once

Input-Output correlation²

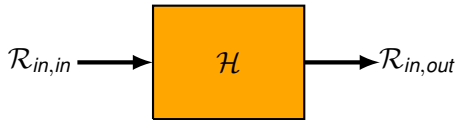
- ✓ tested for the wall blowing/suction input
- ✓ more homogeneous force distribution, all time-space frequency at once

1) A.K.M.F. Hussain, W.C. Reynolds - J. Fluid Mech., 1970

2) P. Luchini, M. Quadrio, S. Zuccher - Phys. Fluids, 2006

Impulse Response Measurement

Input-Output correlation¹ $\mathcal{R}_{in,out}$



$$\mathcal{R}_{in,out}(t) = \int \mathcal{H}(t - \tau) \mathcal{R}_{in,in}(\tau) d\tau$$

White noise input:

$$\mathcal{R}_{in,in}(\tau) = \delta(\tau)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{R}_{in,out}(\tau) = \mathcal{H}(\tau)$$

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3D Mean Impulse Response

DNS of Turbulent channel flow at $Re = 150$

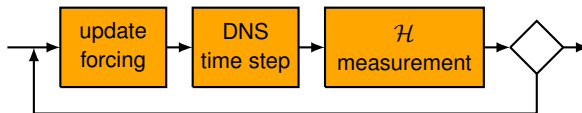
Volume force applied at a certain wall normal distance y_f

$$f_j(\alpha, y, \beta, t) = \epsilon f_j(\alpha, \beta, t) \delta(y - y_f)$$

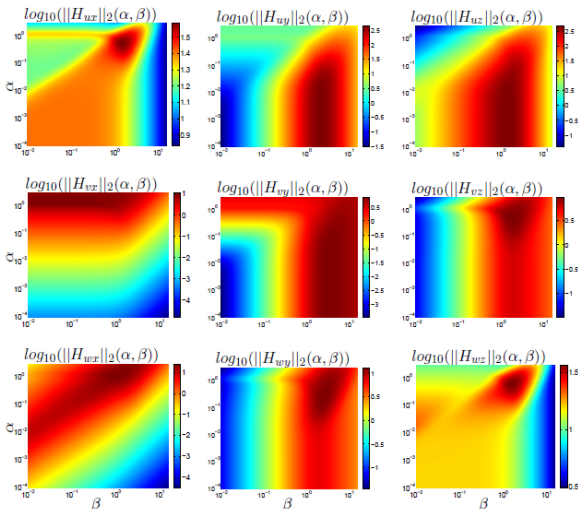
Measurement formulation

$$\mathcal{H}_{ij}(\alpha, y, \beta, \mathcal{T}; y_f) = \frac{\langle u_i(\alpha, y, \beta, t) f_j^*(\alpha, \beta, t - \mathcal{T}) \rangle}{\epsilon^2}$$

- **4+1** variables describe the impulse response
- \mathcal{H}_{ij} is a **3x3** tensor
- **phase-locked averaged** (mean) impulse response



Results from Jovanović's work



H_2 norm: ensemble average energy density

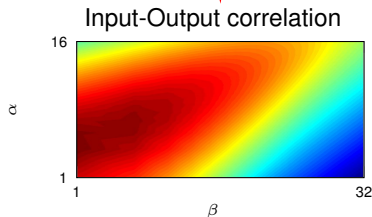
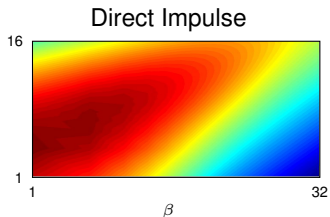
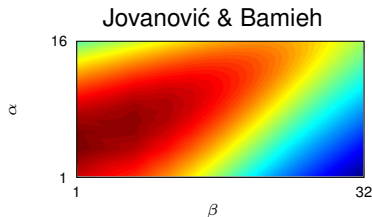
$$\forall y_t \quad \|\mathcal{H}\|_2^2 \equiv \int_0^H \int_0^\infty \|\mathcal{H}(\alpha, y, \beta, t)\|_{HS}^2 dt dy$$

uniform forcing across the height

M. Jovanovic, B. Bamieh - J. Fluid Mech., 2004

Validation

Response component \mathcal{H}_{ux} with laminar flow at $Re_P = 2000$.



Channel resolution:

$$L_x = 4\pi H, L_z = 2\pi H, 128 \times 100 \times 128$$

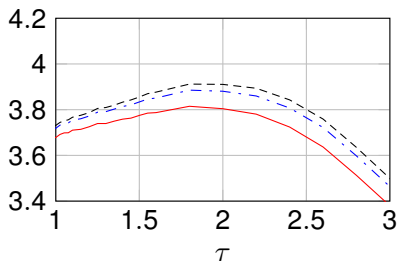
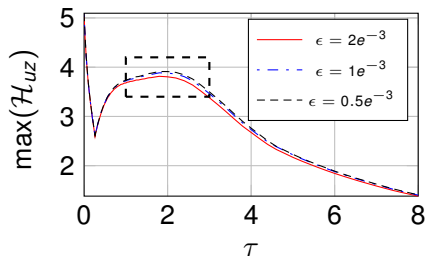
Response resolution:

$$64 \times 100 \times 64$$

with 100 time step from $\tilde{t} = 0$ to $\tilde{t} = 100$

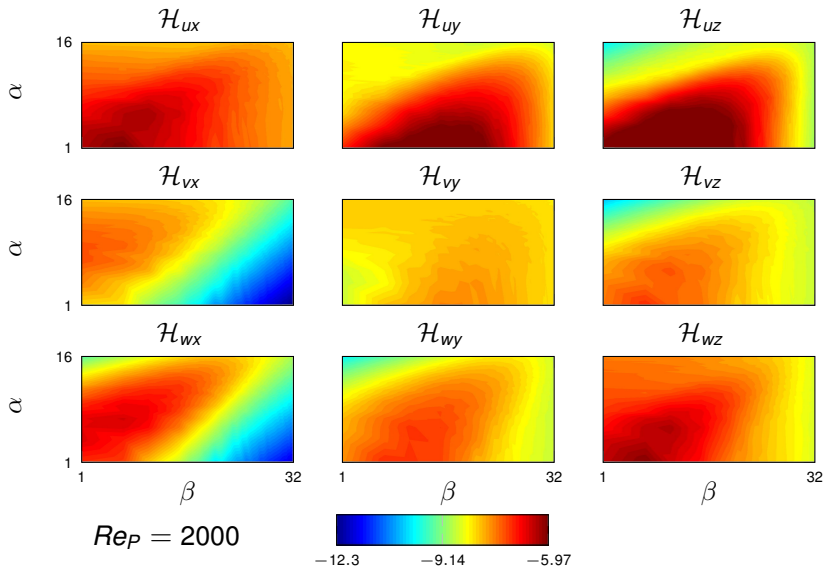
Linearity test

$$f_j(\alpha, y, \beta, t) = \epsilon f_j(\alpha, \beta, t) \delta(y - y_f)$$



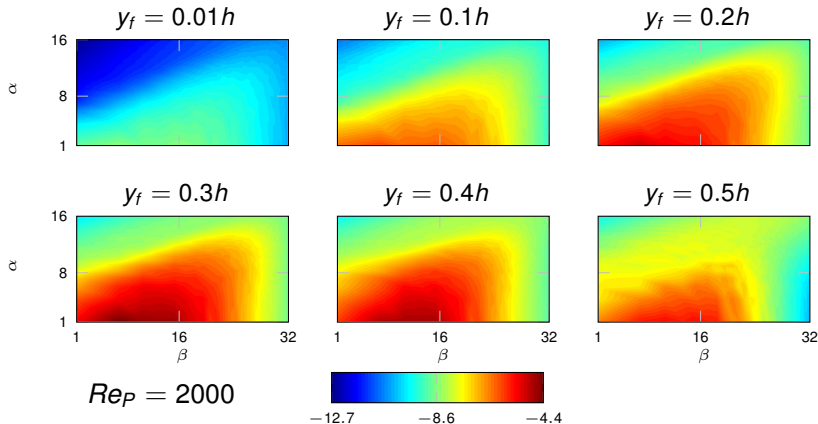
Forcing distance: $y_f = 0.1H$

H_2 Norm, Laminar case

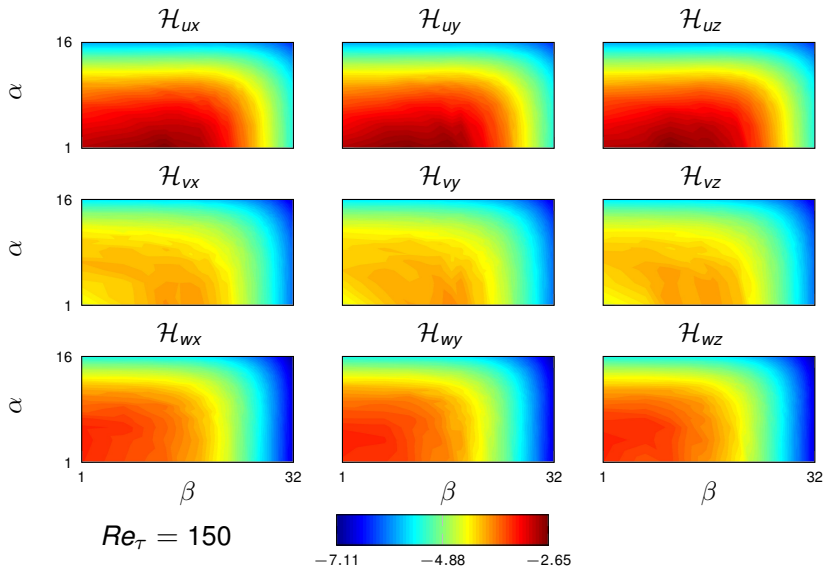


Influence of the forcing distance y_f

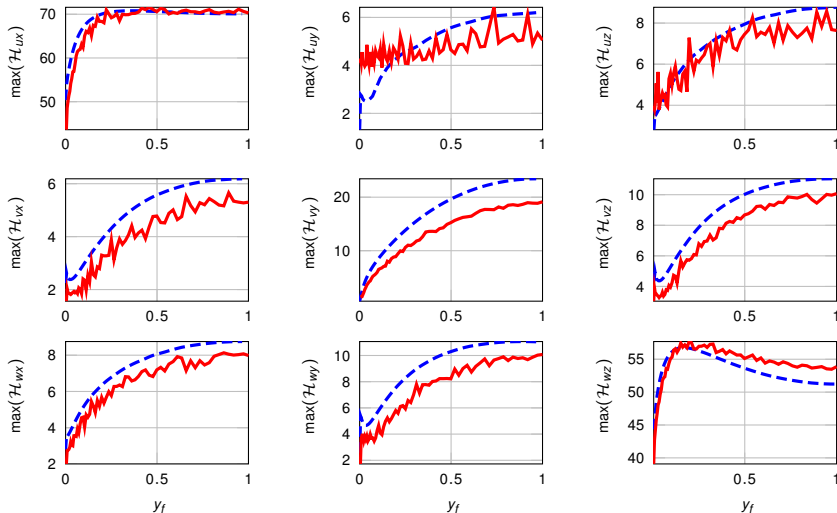
Response component \mathcal{H}_{uz}



H_2 Norm, Turbulent case



Maxima of \mathcal{H}_{ij} vs. forcing distance y_f



(- - -) Laminar, (—) Turbulent

Conclusion

- Successful validation of new response measurement technique.
- First turbulent characterization almost done (just averaging).
- Analysis of the $\|\mathcal{H}\|_2$ show that \mathcal{H}_{uy} and \mathcal{H}_{uz} are the most influent components.
- Influence of the forcing wall-normal distance.

Outlook

- Further averaging turbulent simulations.
- Response measurements at higher Reynolds numbers.

Thank you for your attention!



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