



# Skin-friction drag reduction described via the Anisotropic Generalised Kolmogorov Equations

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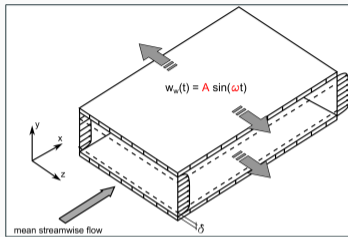
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# Turbulent channel flow forced via spanwise oscillating walls



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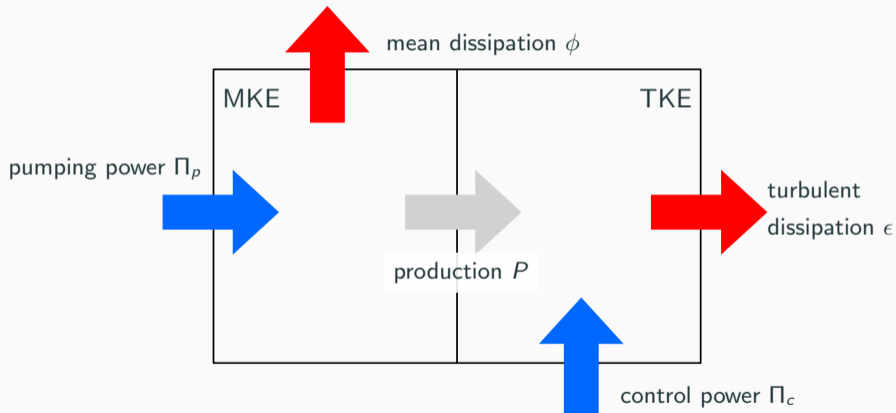
vs

Reference channel

At Constant Power Input

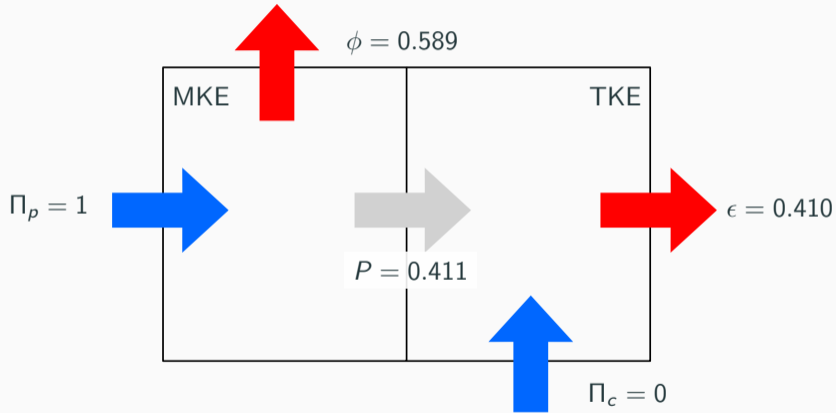
# Constant Power Input: an alternative to CFR and CPG

The input power is kept constant



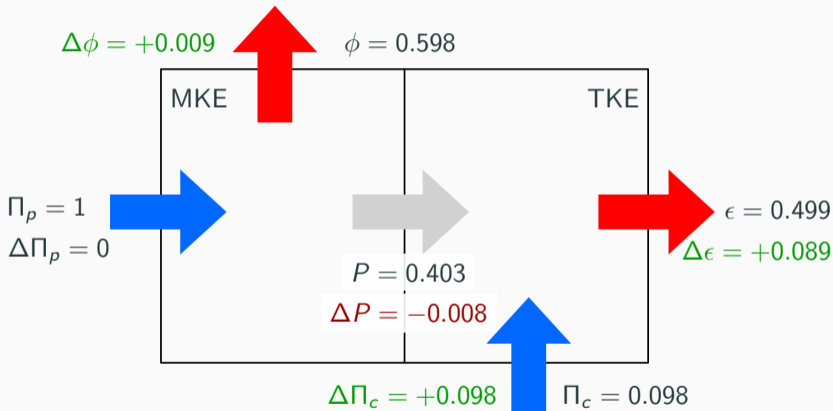
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Reference channel at  $Re_\tau = 200$



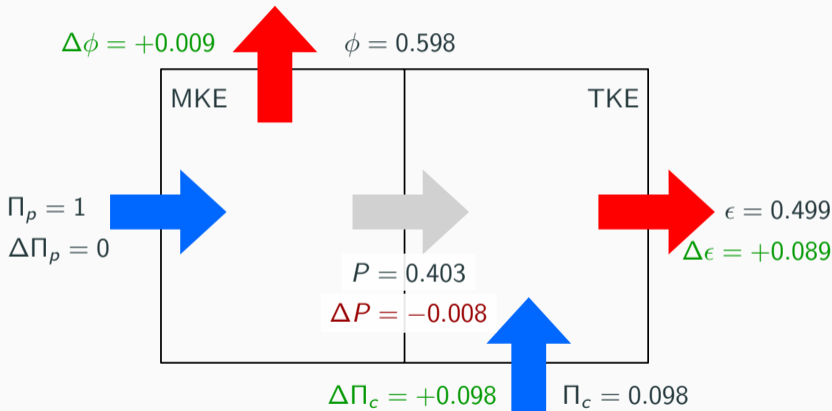
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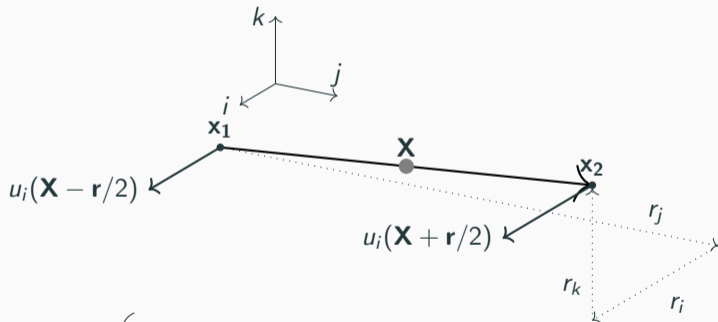


Global variations  $\rightarrow$  detailed changes

# Anisotropic Generalised Kolmogorov Equations

**AGKE:** Exact budget equation for  $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_j \rangle$

$$\delta u_i = (u_i(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{r}/2, t) - u_i(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{r}/2, t))$$



Dependent on:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2)/2 \\ \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1 \end{array} \right.$$



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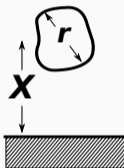
What if  $\langle \delta u \delta u \rangle \gg \langle \delta v \delta v \rangle, \langle \delta w \delta w \rangle$ ?

The **GKE** does not account for anisotropy..

..but the **AGKE** do!

Amount of turbulent **stresses**  
at location  $\mathbf{X}$  and scale (up to)  $r$

- $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_j \rangle(\mathbf{X}, r)$



JFM, in preparation

Production, transport and dissipation  
of turbulent **stresses**  
in both the  
Space of scales & Physical space

- AGKE

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flux of  $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_j \rangle$  throughout scales  $\mathbf{r}$

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flux of  $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_j \rangle$  in space  $\mathbf{X}$

$$\frac{\partial \phi_{k,ij}}{\partial r_k} + \frac{\partial \psi_{k,ij}}{\partial X_k} = \xi_{ij}$$

source/sink of  $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_j \rangle$  at scale  $\mathbf{r}$  and location  $\mathbf{X}$

$$\xi_{ij} = \underbrace{-\langle u_k^* \delta u_j \rangle \delta \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_k} \right) - \langle u_k^* \delta u_i \rangle \delta \left( \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_k} \right) - \langle \delta u_k \delta u_j \rangle \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_k} \right)^* - \langle \delta u_k \delta u_i \rangle \left( \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_k} \right)}_{\text{production}} +$$

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We investigate the changes of the AGKE terms

- Two Direct Numerical Simulations (with and without wall oscillation) at CPI

$Re_\tau = 200$  for the uncontrolled case

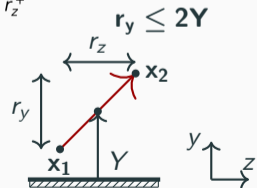
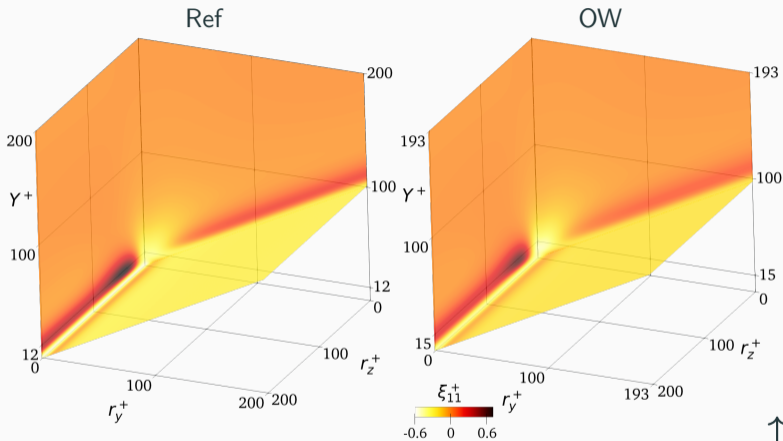
Wall oscillation parameters:  $A^+ = 4.5$ ,  $T^+ = 125.5$

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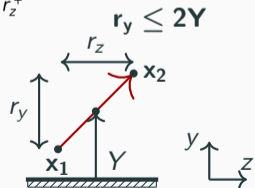
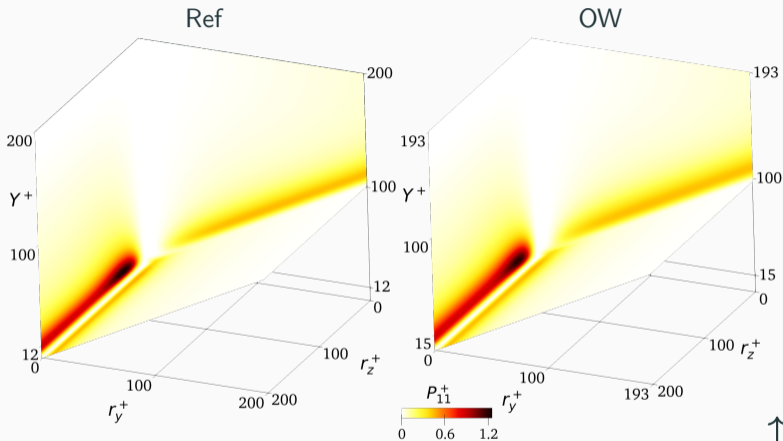
- Six smaller Direct Numerical Simulations at CPI

$A^+ \in (0, 30)$ ,  $T^+ \in (100, 125)$

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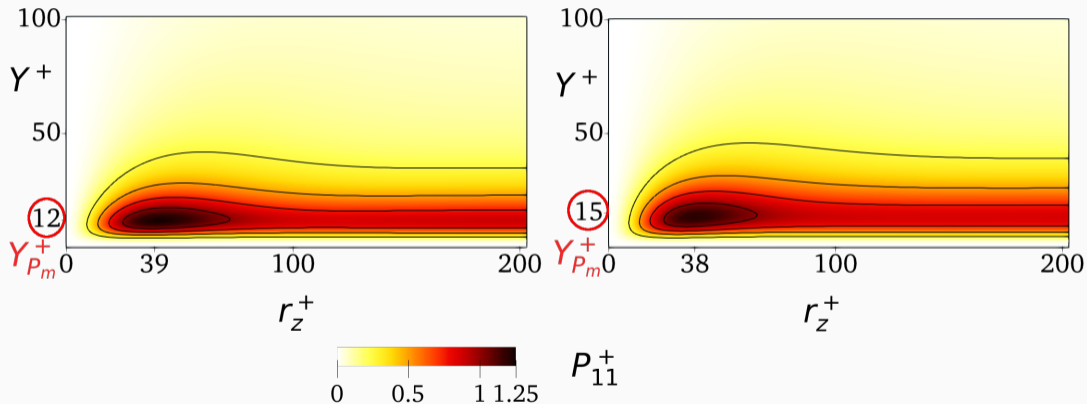
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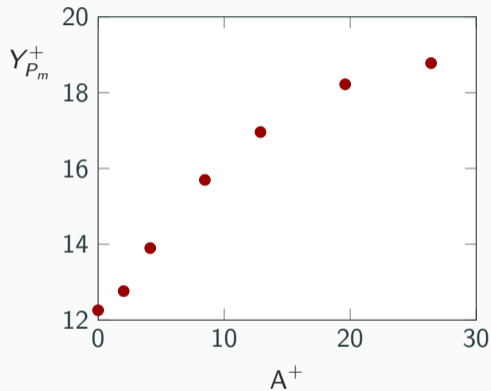
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Shift of  $P_{11,m}$  ( $\Delta Y_{P_m}^+ \sim 3$ )

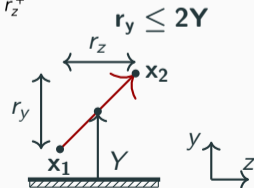
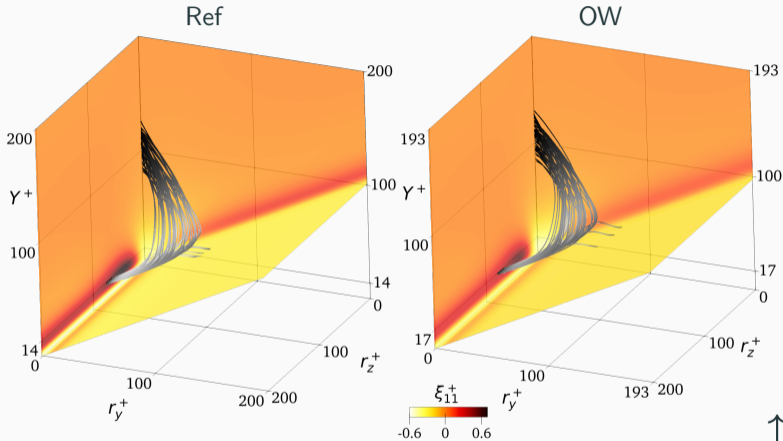
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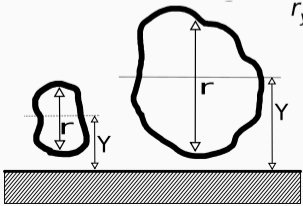
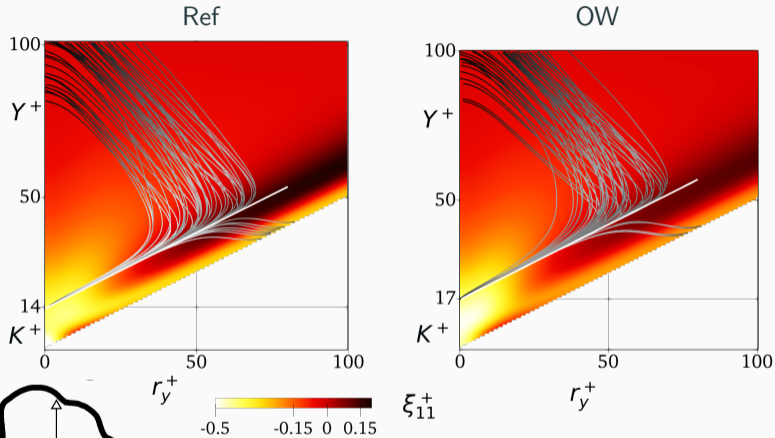
$\Delta Y_{P_m}^+$  increases with  $A^+$  (%DR)

# Fluxes of $\langle \delta u \delta u \rangle$ : $\phi_{k,11}$ and $\psi_{11}$



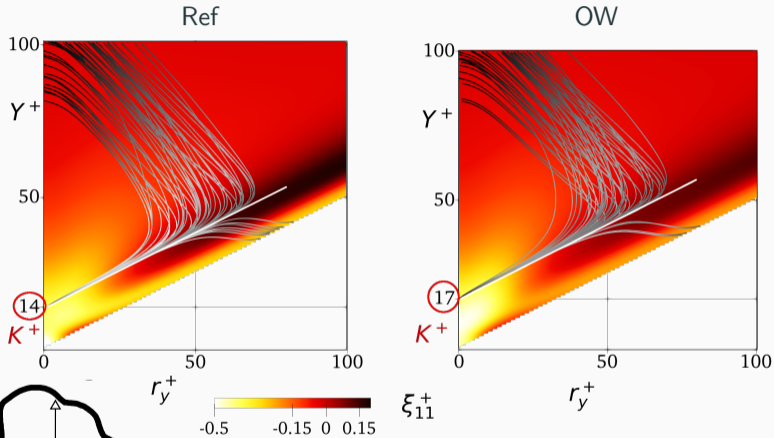


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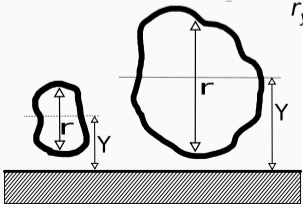


$Y = r_y/2 + K$ : attached to the wall plane

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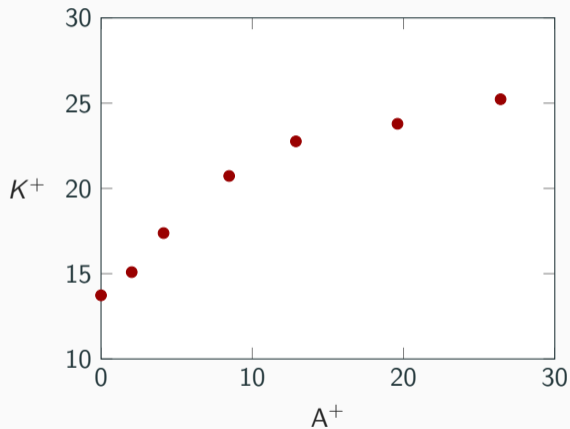


$$\Delta K^+ \sim 3$$



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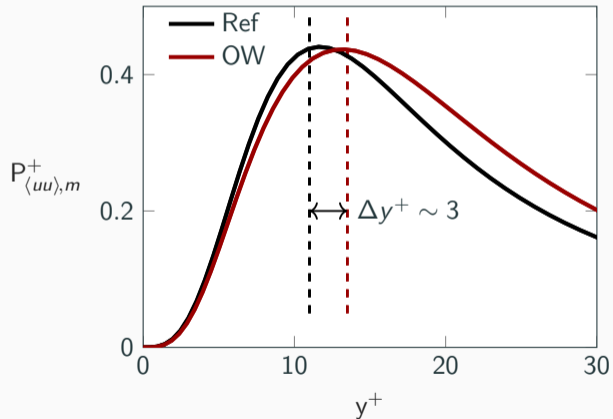
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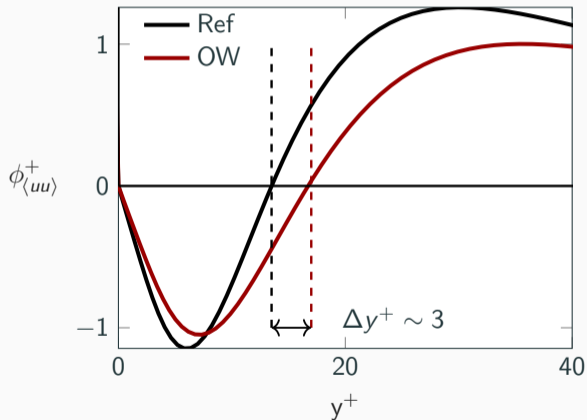
## Links with well-known results?

Vertical shift  $\Delta y$  of the maximum of  $P_{\langle uu \rangle}$



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Vertical shift  $\Delta y$  of  $\phi_{\langle uu \rangle} = 0$



## Single-point statistics

- Shift of  $\langle uu \rangle_m$
- Shift of  $P_{\langle uu \rangle, m}$
- Shift of  $\phi_{\langle uu \rangle} = 0$

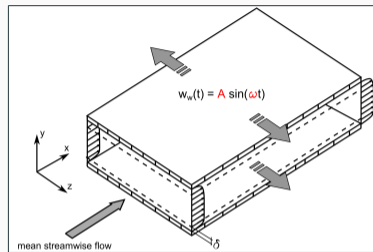
## Two-points statistics

- Shift of  $\langle \delta u \delta u \rangle_m$
- Shift of  $P_{\langle \delta u \delta u \rangle, m}$
- Shift of the attached to the wall plane

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# Conclusion

AGKE terms in turbulent channel forced  
via spanwise oscillating walls

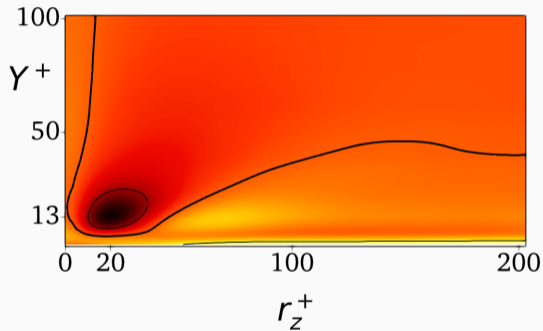


For the streamwise normal stress..

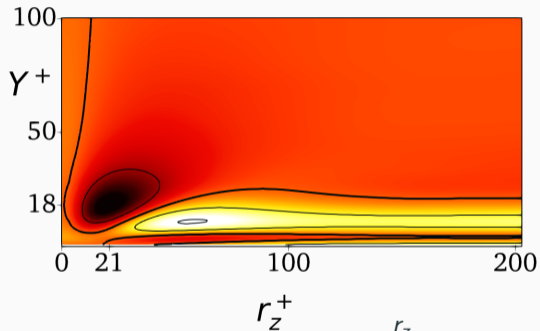
- Shift of the production activity of  $\langle \delta u \delta u \rangle$  towards larger wall-distances
- Shift of the main transport of  $\langle \delta u \delta u \rangle$  towards larger wall-distances
- Both shifts increase with  $A$

# Outlook: source of $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$

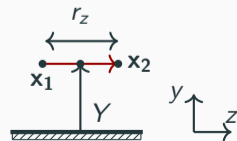
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$\xi_{12}^+$





Thanks  
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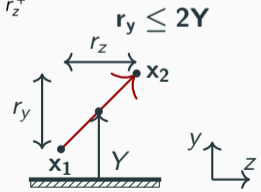
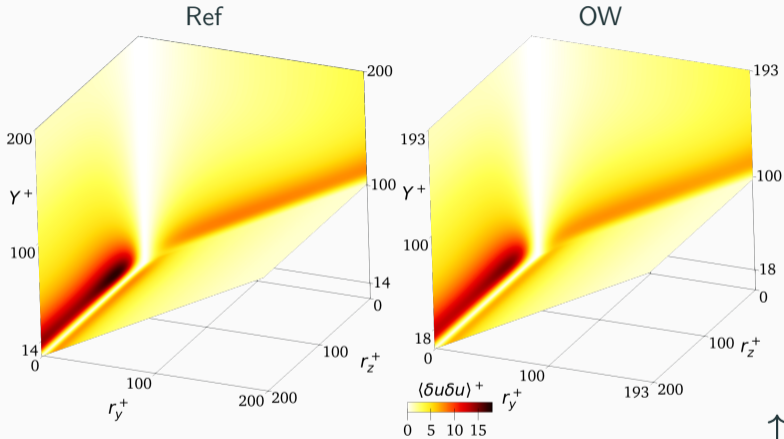
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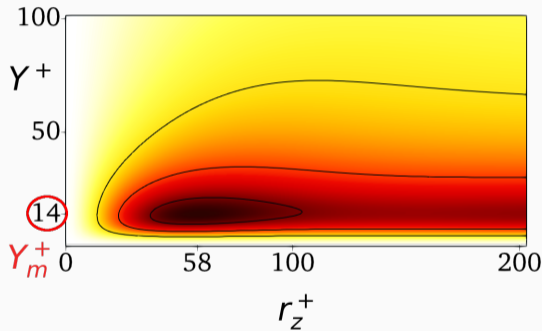


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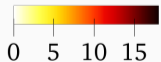
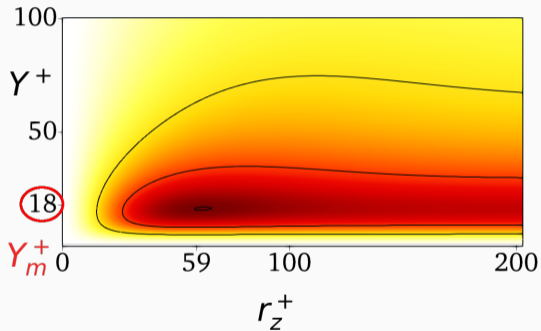


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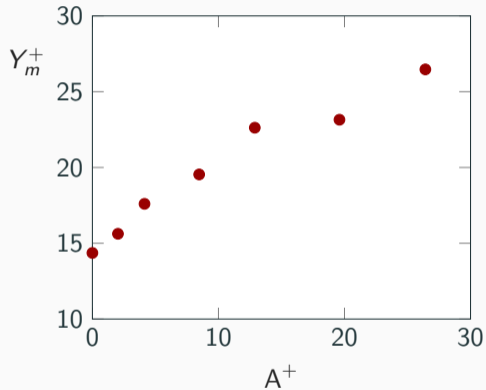
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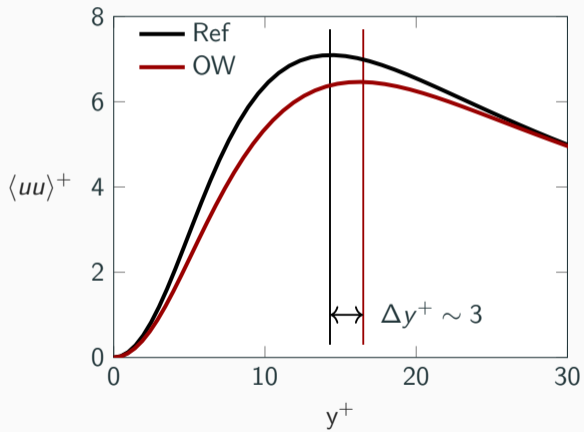
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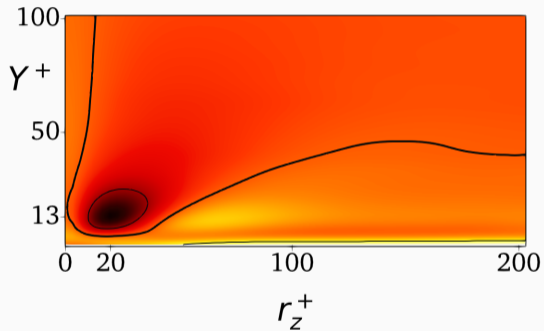


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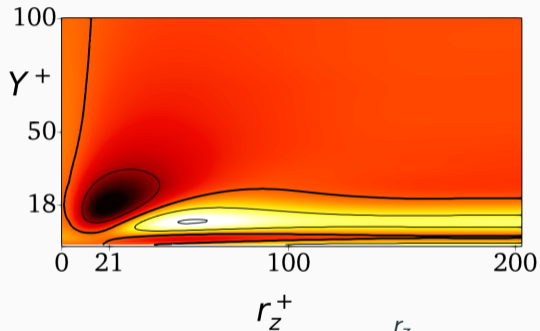
Vertical shift  $\Delta y$  of  $\phi = 0$ 

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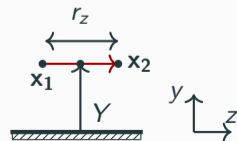
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## Source of $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$

$$\underbrace{\xi_{12}}_{\text{source}} = \underbrace{P_{12}}_{\text{production}} + \underbrace{\Pi_{12}}_{\text{pressure strain}} + \underbrace{\epsilon_{12}}_{\text{dissipation}}$$

$P_{12} > 0$  in all the domain

$\Pi_{12} < 0$  in (almost) all the domain

$\epsilon_{12}$  is negligible in all the domain

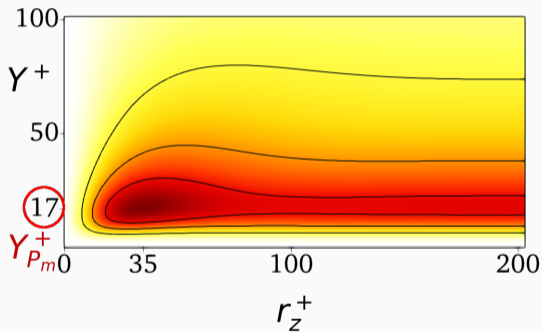


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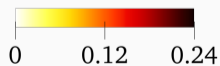
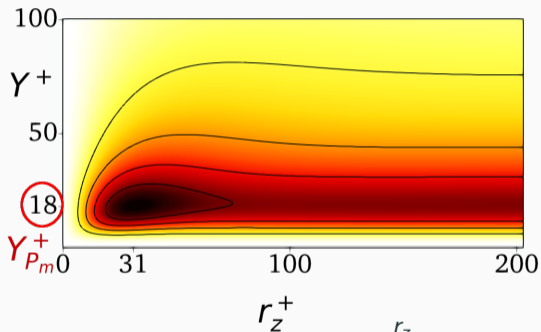
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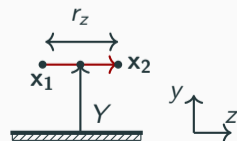
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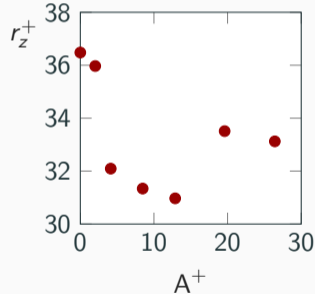
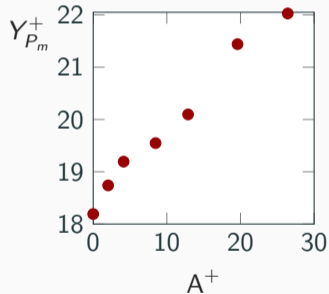
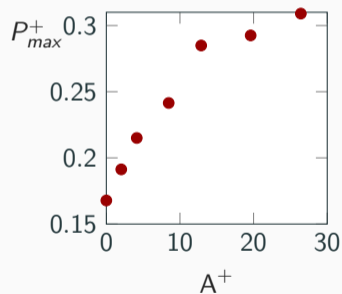


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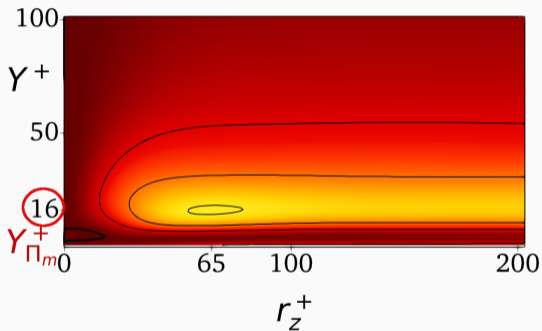
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How does  $P_{max}$  changes with  $A^+$ ?

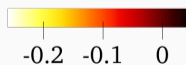
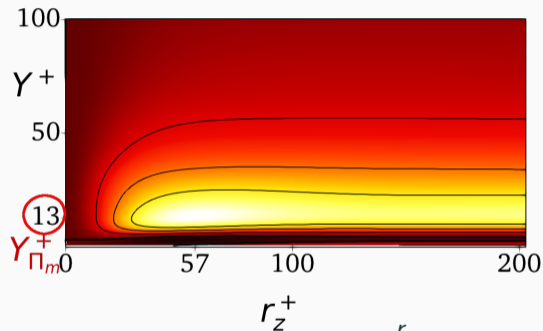


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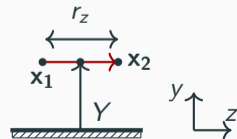
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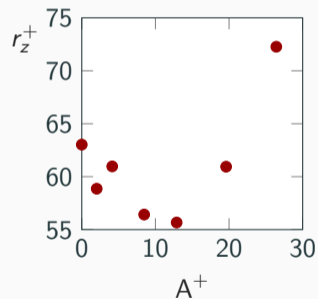
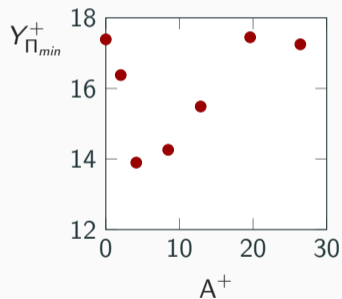
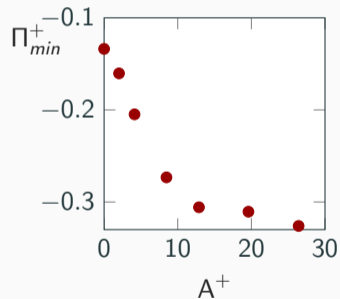


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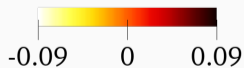
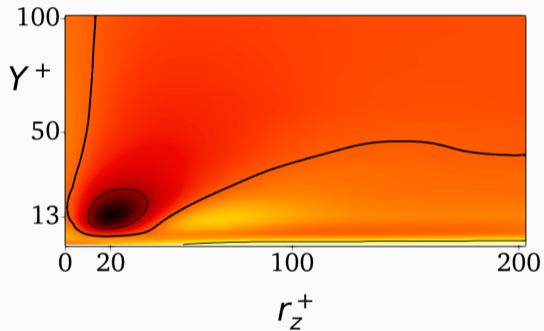
# Pressure strain of $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$

How does  $\Pi_{min}$  changes with  $A^+$ ?

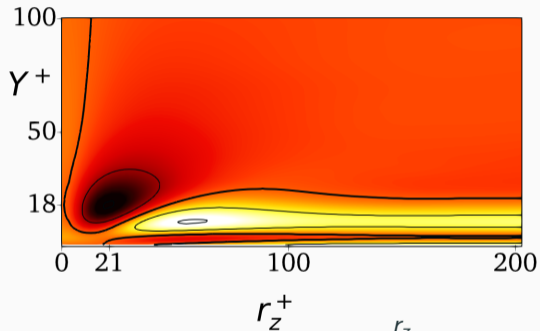


# Source of $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$

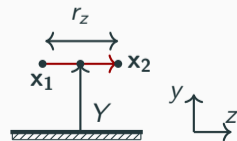
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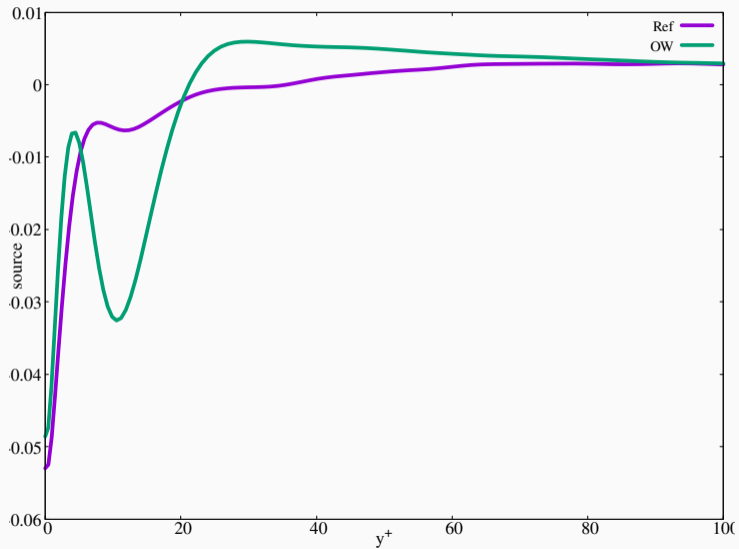


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$\xi_{12}^+$





How do DR techniques affect  
the production, transport and dissipation  
of turbulent stresses  
among **scales** and in **space**?



- $\langle \delta u \delta u \rangle$

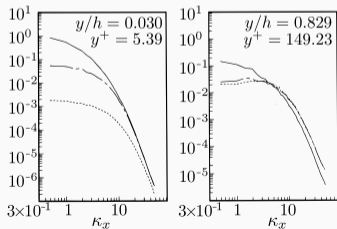
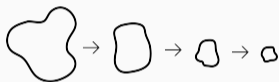
- The maximum production occurs at larger wall-distances
- The largest transports are shifted towards larger wall-distances

- $\langle -\delta u \delta v \rangle$

- The maximum of the production increases and occurs at larger wall-distances
- The negative minimum of the pressure strain decreases

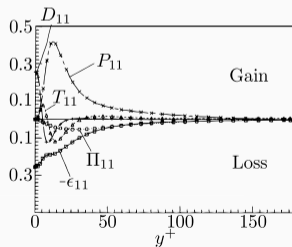
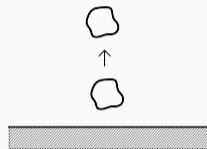
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## Space of scales



Kim et al. JFM 1987

## Physical space



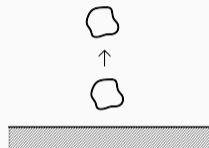
Mansour et al. JFM 1988

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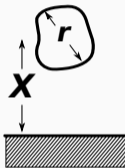


The AGKE consider together the space of scales (**r**) and the physical space (**X**)

# Generalised Kolmogorov Equation

Amount of turbulent **energy**  
at location  $\mathbf{X}$  and scale (up to)  $r$

- $\langle \delta u_i \delta u_i \rangle(\mathbf{X}, r)$



Davidson *et al.* JFM 2006

Production, transport and dissipation  
of turbulent **energy**  
in both the  
Space of scales & Physical space

- GKE