



Towards more accurate and general turbulence models using CFD-driven training on multiple flows

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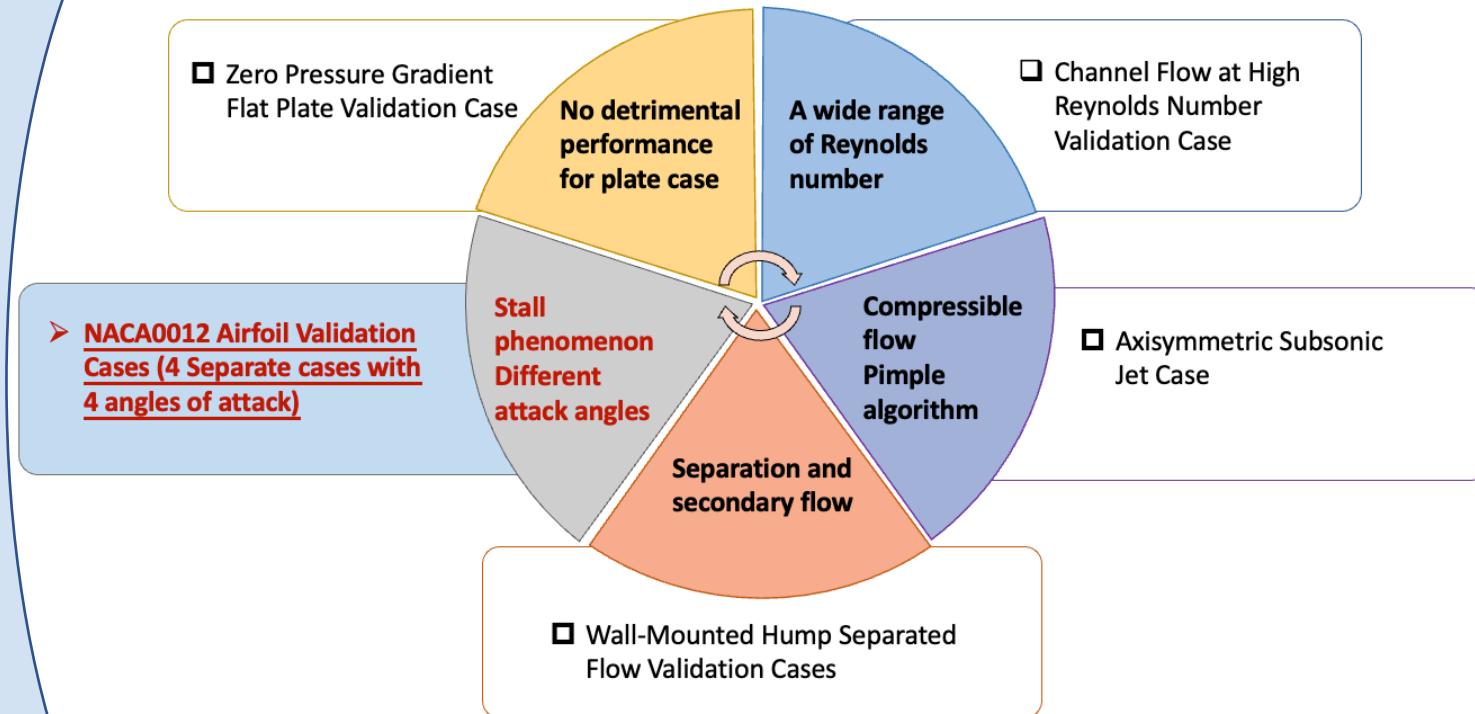
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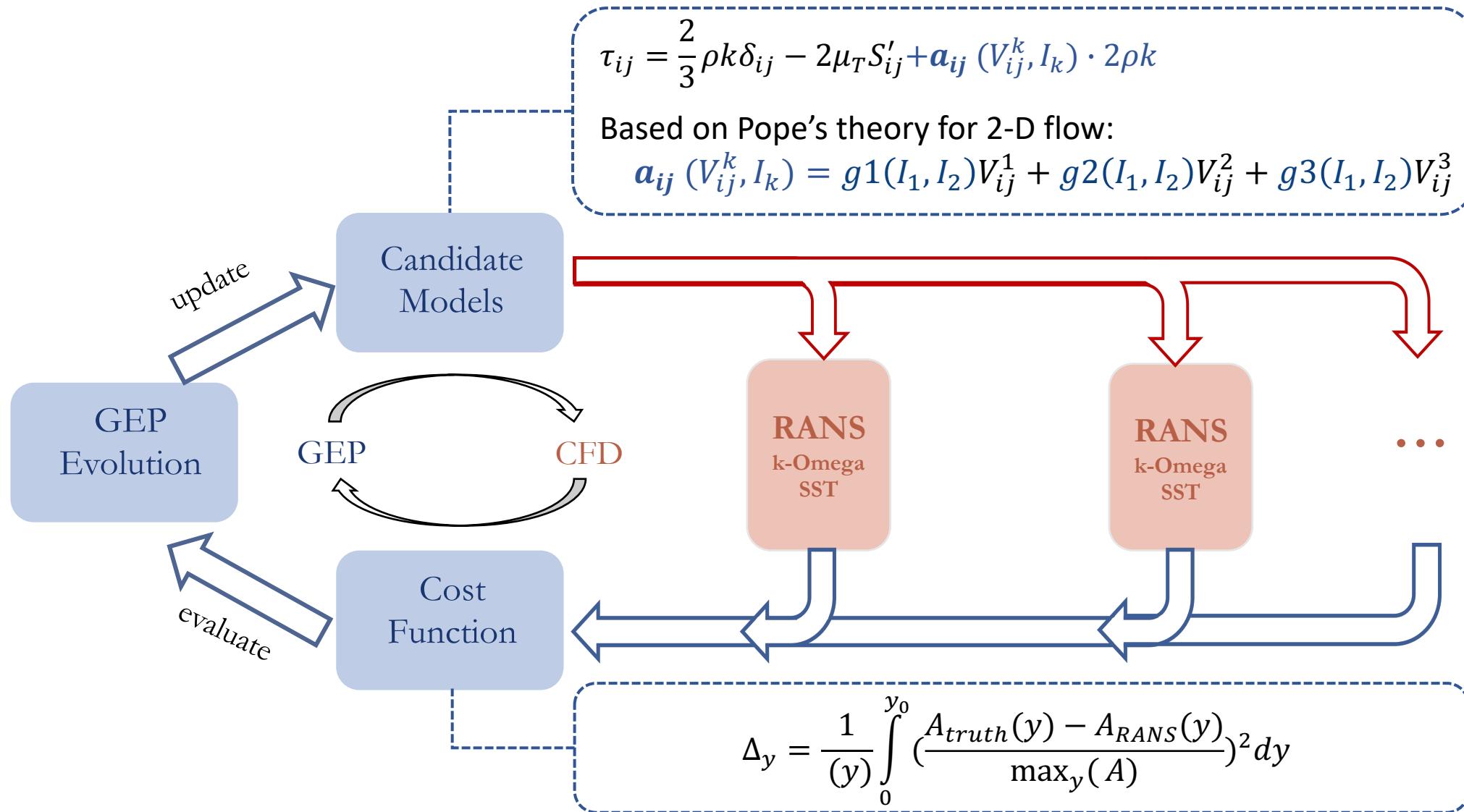
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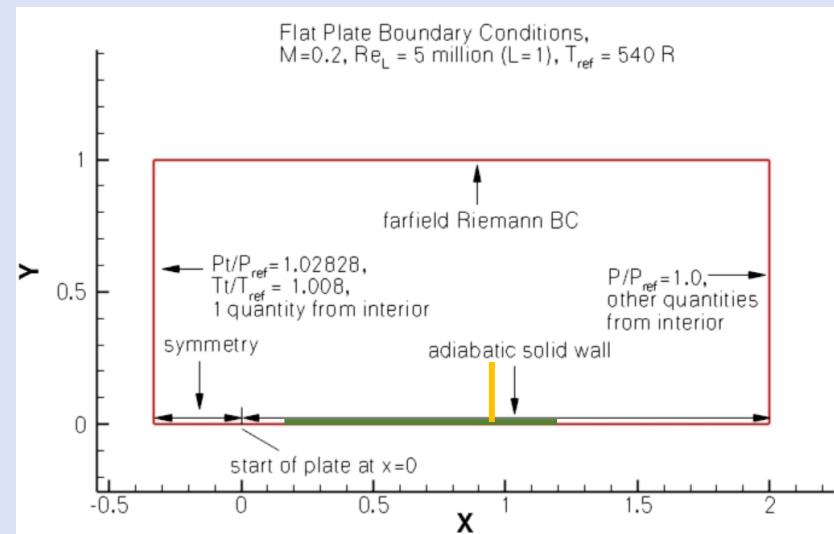
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Single-case CFD-driven framework



1.3 Single-case training results

1.3.1 Flat Plate



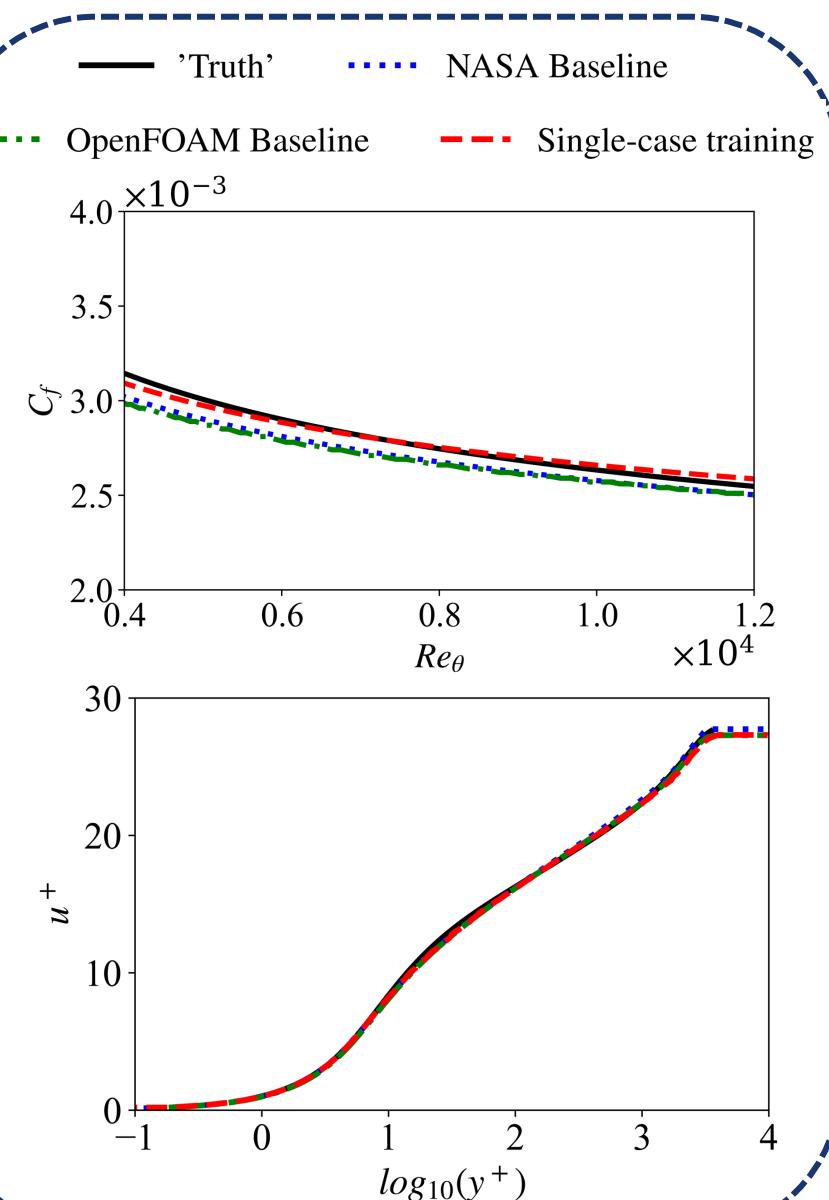
Cost function: friction coefficient along momentum thickness

Goal: (compare with theory)
 1) Friction coefficient with x
 2) Velocity law at $x=0.97$

The geometry, boundary conditions for 2D flat plate

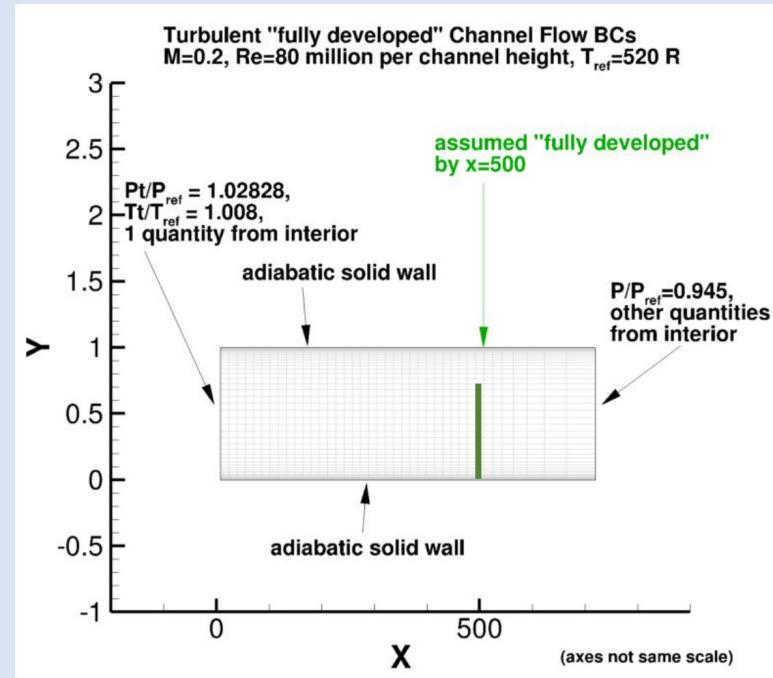
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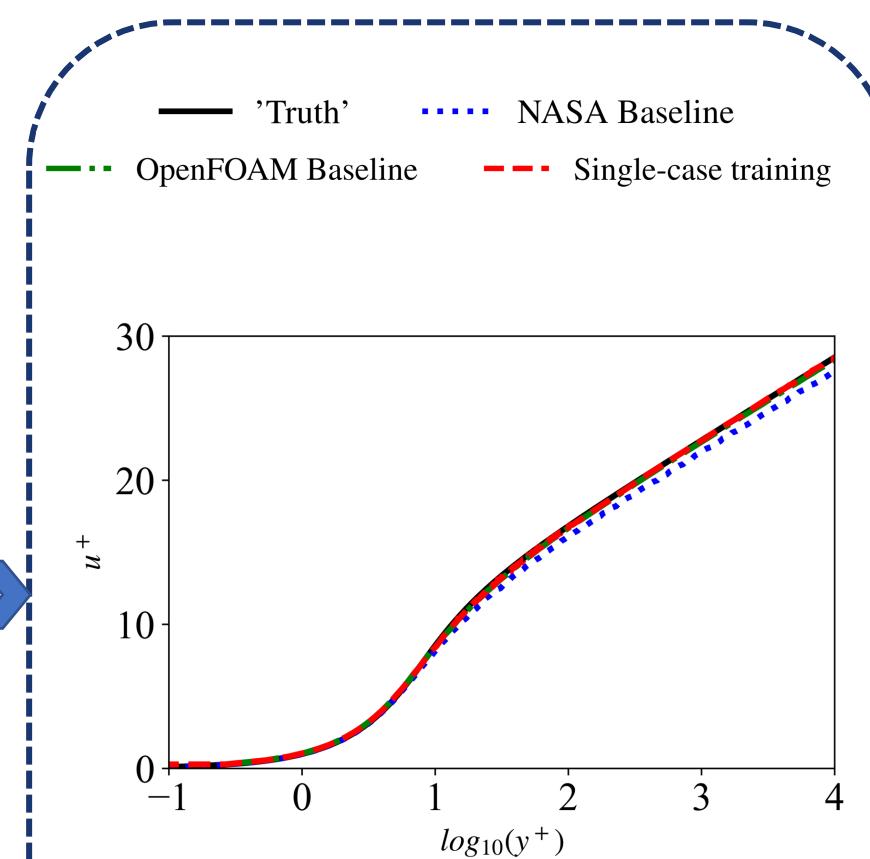
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The geometry, boundary conditions of channel flow

Cost function = goal :
 the velocity law at $x = 500$

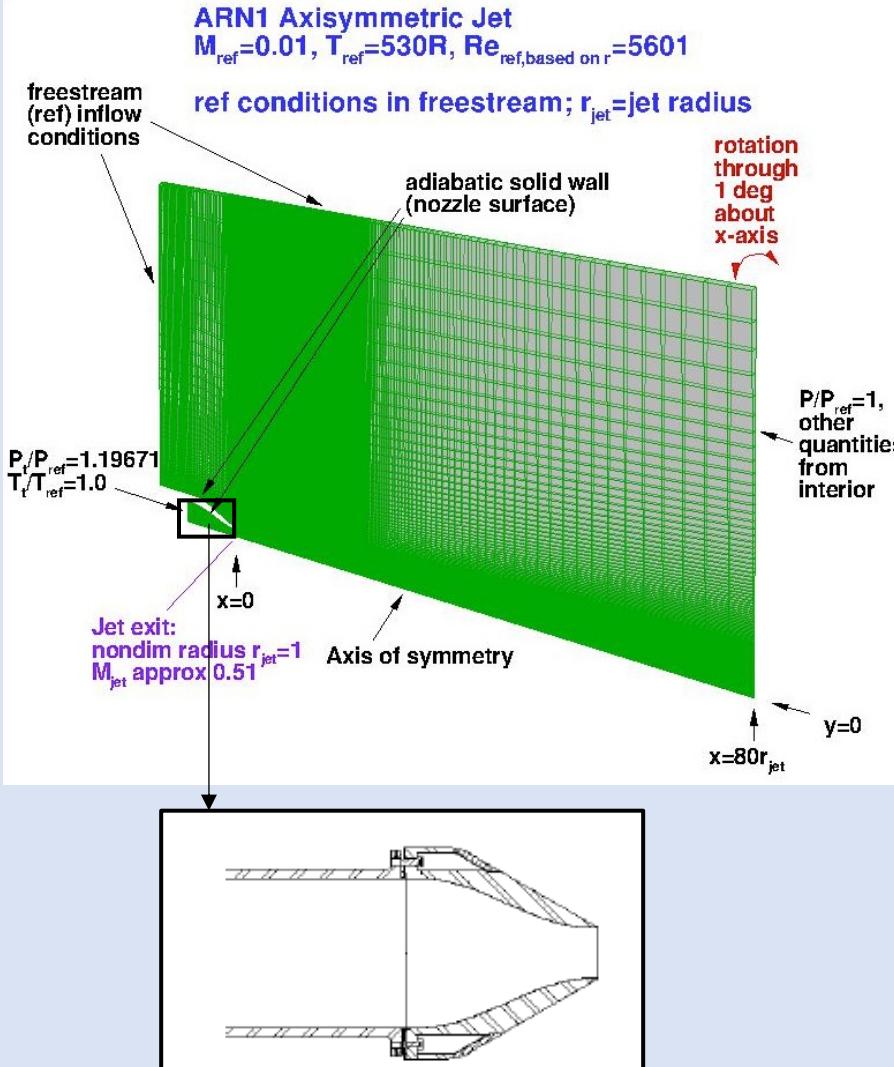


Anisotropic stress

$$a_{ij} (V_{ij}^k, I_k) = (0.00784535)V_{ij}^1 + (3I_1 + I_2 + 0.097)V_{ij}^2 + (I_2)V_{ij}^3$$

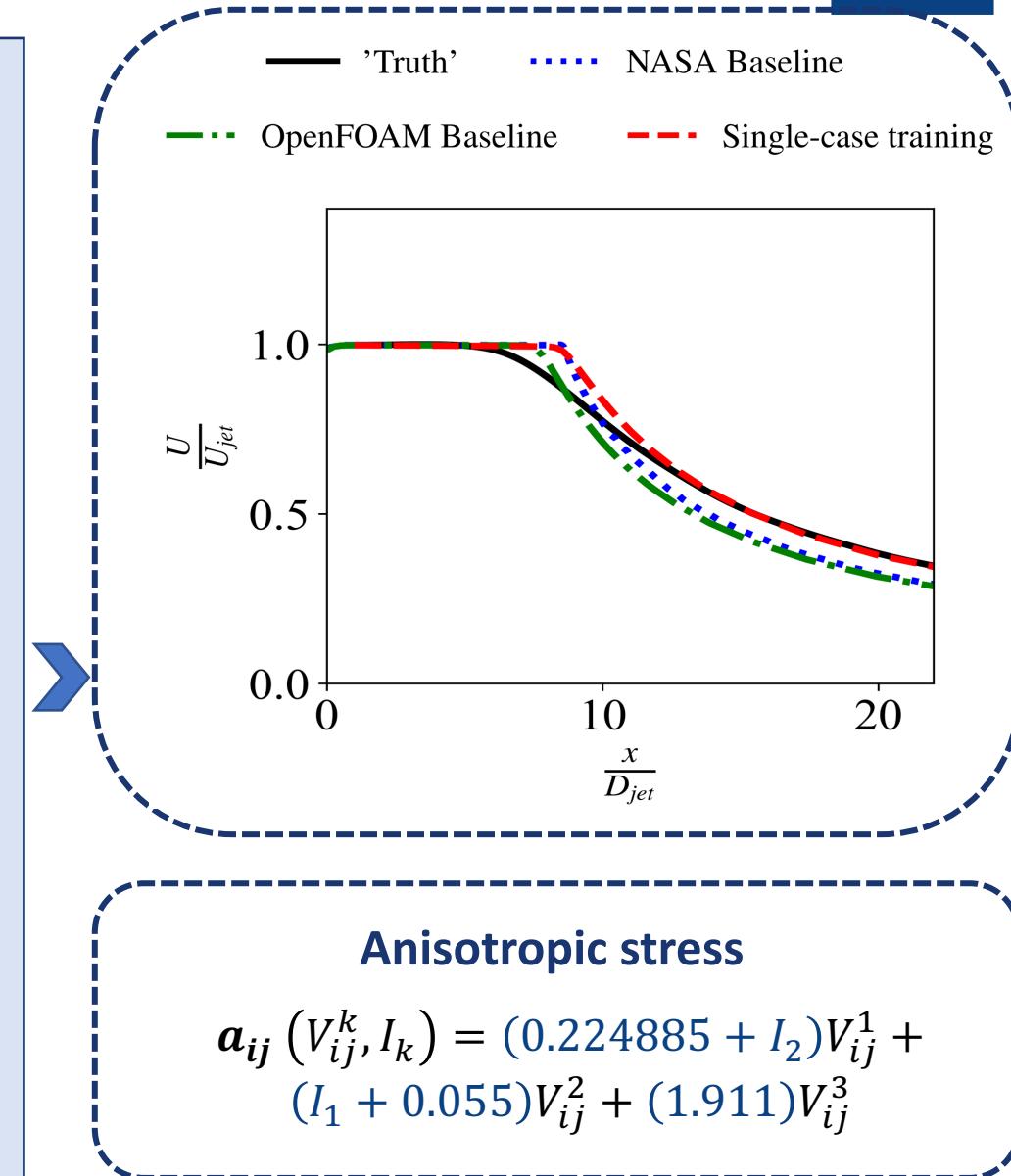
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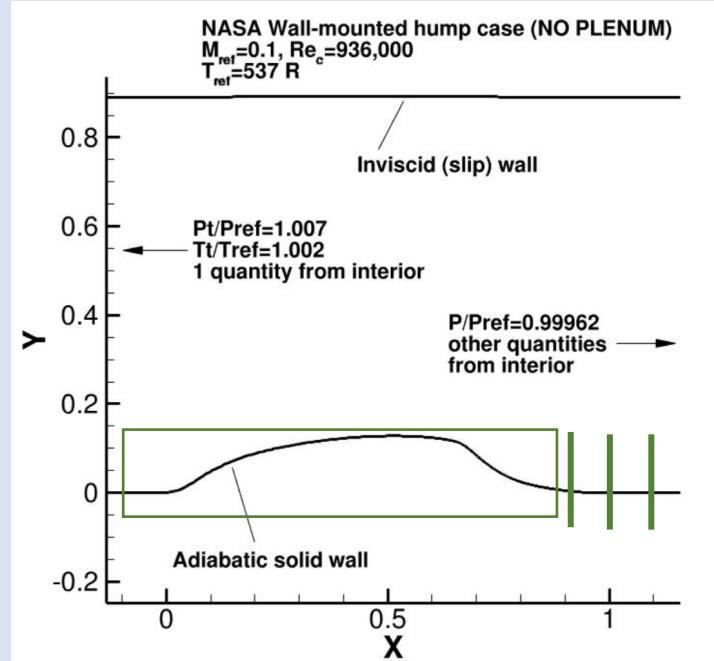
Cost function :
 velocity profiles in the fully turbulent region
 $x/D_{jet} = 15$ and 20

- Goal:** (compare with experiment)
- 1) Velocity along x
 - 2) Velocity profiles at 5 locations
 - 3) Shear stress profiles at 5 locations



1.3 Single-case training results

1.3.4 2D NASA Wall-Mounted Hump Separated Flow

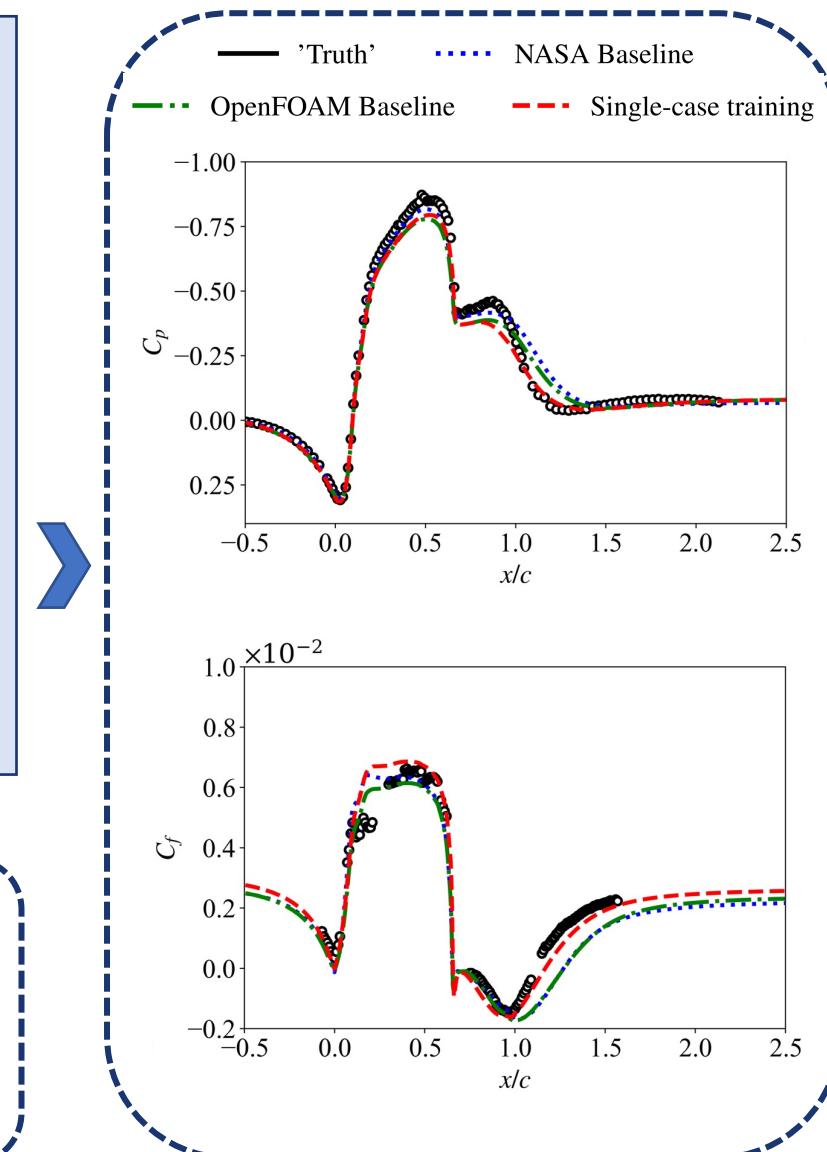


Cost function : the sum of velocity profiles near the bubble and pressure along hump

- Goal:** (compare with experiment)
- 1) C_p vs. x/c
 - 2) C_f vs. x/c
 - 3) Velocity profiles at 7 locations
 - 4) Shear stress profiles at 7 locations

Anisotropic stress

$$a_{ij} (V_{ij}^k, I_k) = (-0.15 - I_1 - 0.57I_2)V_{ij}^1 + (-I_1 + I_2 - 2.061)V_{ij}^2 + (I_1I_2)V_{ij}^3$$



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2.1 Difficulty of building a general model

2.1 The open-box expression analysis

➤ $\tau_{ij} = \frac{2}{3}\rho k \delta_{ij} - 2\mu_T S'_{ij} + \color{red}a_{ij}(V_{ij}^k, I_k) \cdot 2\rho k$

Table 1. The nonlinear term of Reynolds stress for every case

Flat Plate Case

$$a_{ij}(V_{ij}^k, I_k) = \underline{(I_1(I_1 - 0.178I_2 - 0.7293))V_{ij}^1 + (4.0I_2 + 0.6143)V_{ij}^2 + (0.089I_1 + 2.05073)V_{ij}^3}$$

Channel Flow with High Re Number Case

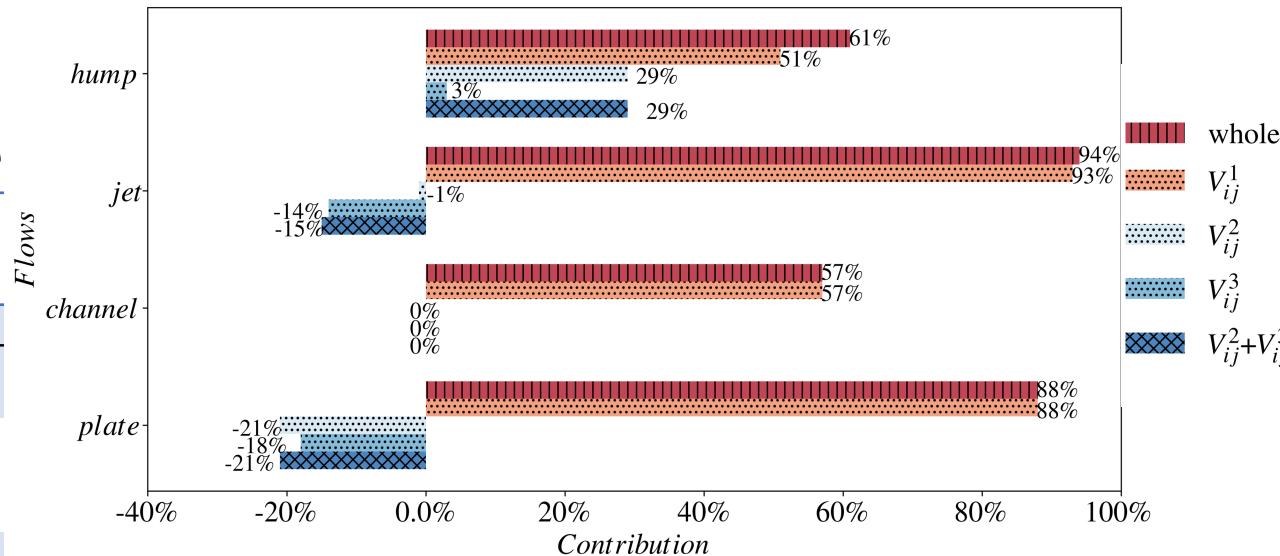
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Axisymmetric Subsonic Jet Case

$$a_{ij}(V_{ij}^k, I_k) = \underline{(I_2 + 0.224885)V_{ij}^1 + (I_1 + 0.055)V_{ij}^2 + (1.911)V_{ij}^3}$$

Wall-Mounted Hump Separation Flow

$$a_{ij}(V_{ij}^k, I_k) = \underline{(-0.15 - I_1 - 0.57I_2)V_{ij}^1 + (-I_1 + I_2 - 2.061)V_{ij}^2 + (I_1I_2)V_{ij}^3}$$



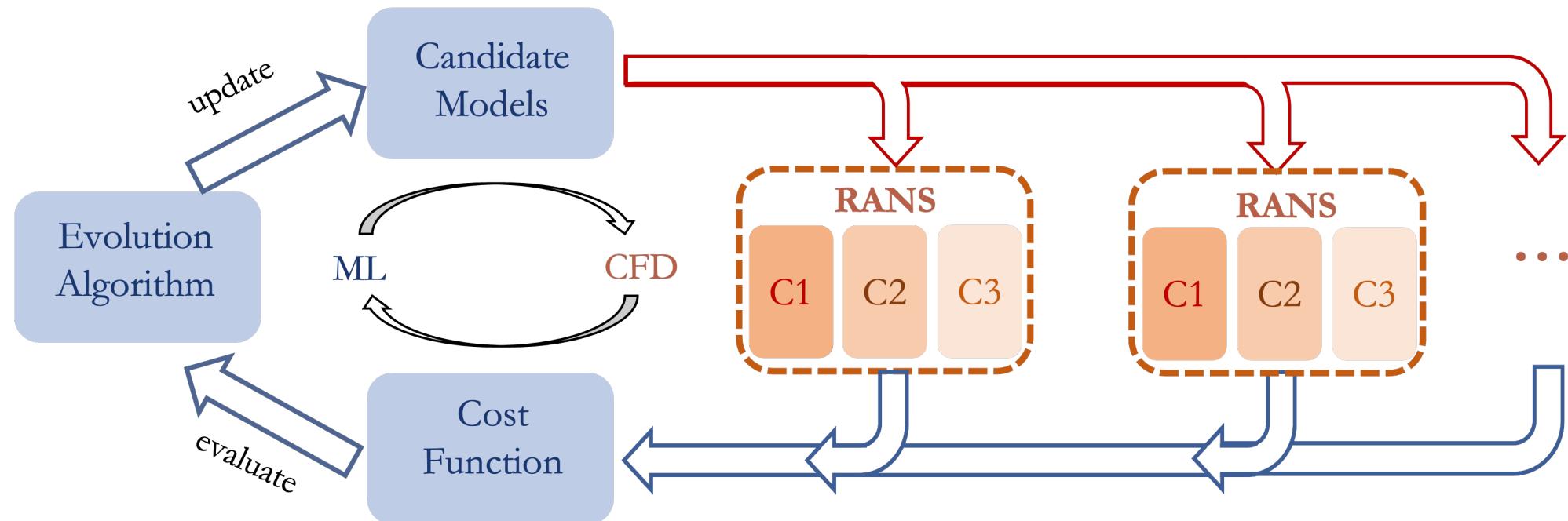
1. Major contribution comes from V_{ij}^1 term
2. The magnitude of I_1 and I_2 are small. Hence, the coefficient inside the V_{ij}^1 term contribute most. However, both negative and positive values appear, which leads to compromised results.

2.2 Strategies of building a general model

2.2.1 The framework of multi-case CFD-driven training framework

C1 C2 C3 represent different cases

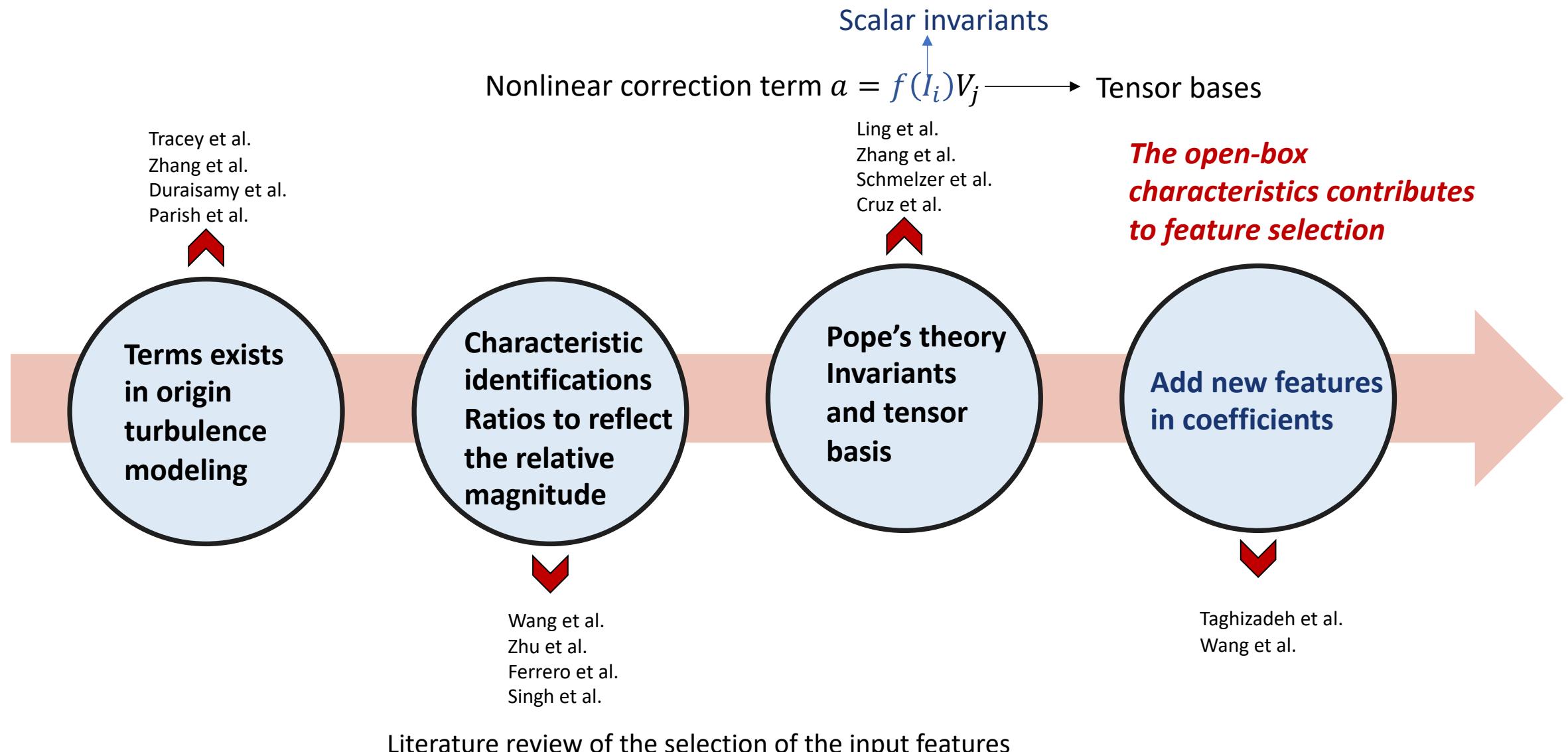
Different flows with different conditions



- Reduce computation cost: 16 cores for up to 4 days

2.2 Strategies of building a general model

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Table 1: Summary of the added input features

Flow features	Description	Denotation
N1	Reynolds number based on wall distance	$\min\left(\frac{\sqrt{k}d}{50v}, 2\right)$
N2	Pressure gradient along the streamline	$U \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$
N3	Switch function F_2 in $k - \omega$ SST	F_2

$$F_1 = \tanh(arg_1^4); arg_1 = \min(\max((\frac{\sqrt{k}}{\beta^* \omega y}); \frac{500v}{y^2 \omega}); \frac{4\rho\sigma_{\omega 2}k}{CD_{k\omega}y^2});$$

$$CD_{k\omega} = \max(\frac{2\rho\sigma_{\omega 2}}{\omega} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j}; 1.0e^{-10})$$

$$F_2 = \tanh(arg_2^2); arg_2 = \max(2\frac{\sqrt{k}}{\beta^* \omega y}; \frac{500v}{y^2 \omega})$$

2.2 Strategies of building a general model

2.2.3 Model an additional turbulence production or dissipation term

$$\rho \frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + \rho U_j \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} = \boxed{\tau_{ij}} \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} - \rho \epsilon + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\mu \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} - \frac{1}{2} \rho \bar{u'_i u'_i u'_j} - \bar{p' u'_j} \right] + R$$

Unsteady term convection production dissipation molecular diffusion turbulent transport pressure diffusion

Multi-expression training

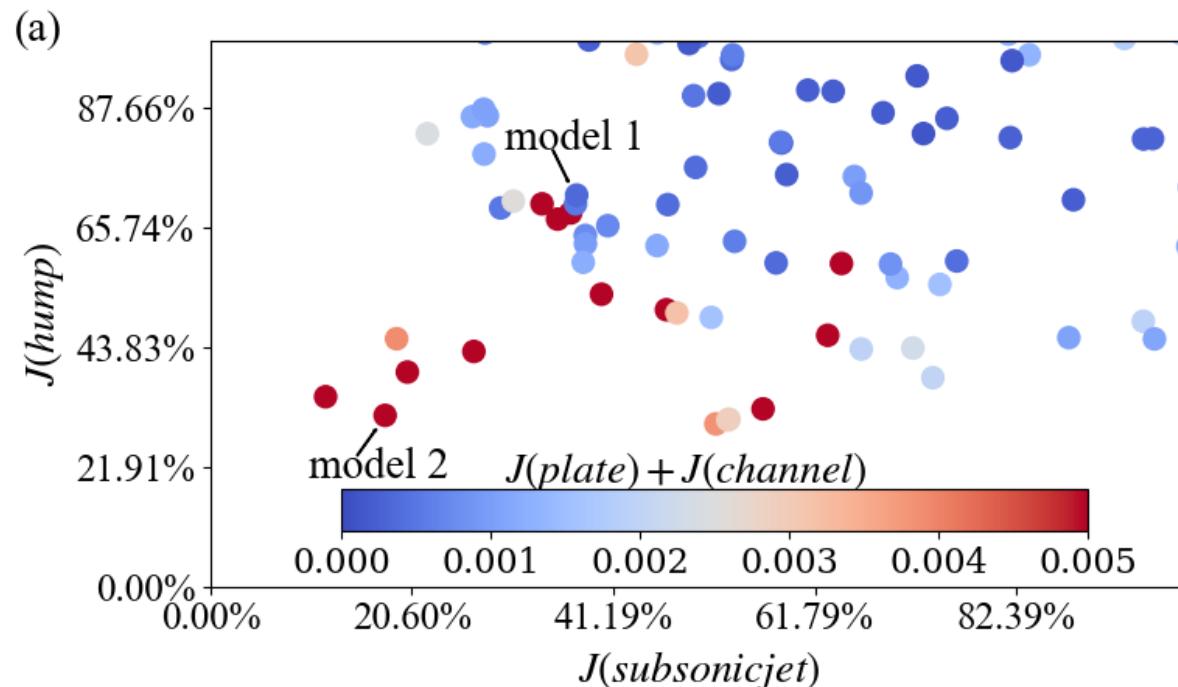
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{ij}(V_{ij}^k, I_k) = g1(I_1, I_2)V_{ij}^1 + g2(I_1, I_2)V_{ij}^2 + g3(I_1, I_2)V_{ij}^3 \\ R_{ij}(V_{ij}^k, I_k) = g4(I_1, I_2)V_{ij}^1 + g5(I_1, I_2)V_{ij}^2 + g6(I_1, I_2)V_{ij}^3 \end{array} \right.$$

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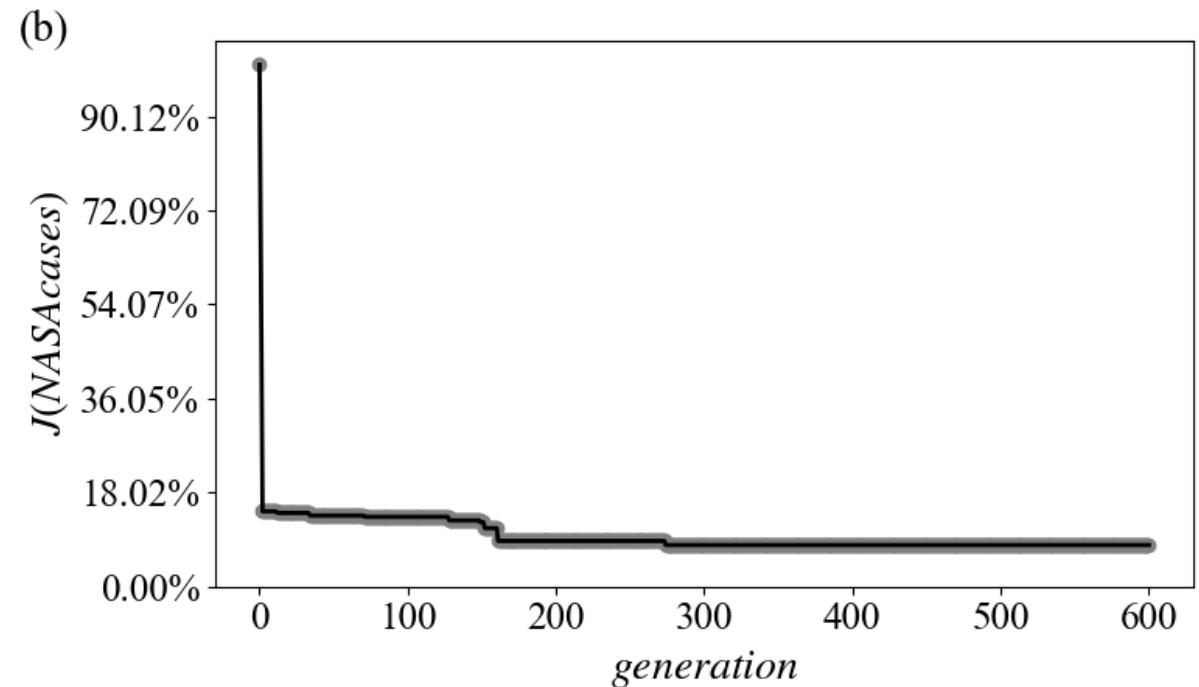
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3.1 Multi-case training result

3.1.1 Models selection according to the uncertainty of 'truth' for the flat plate case



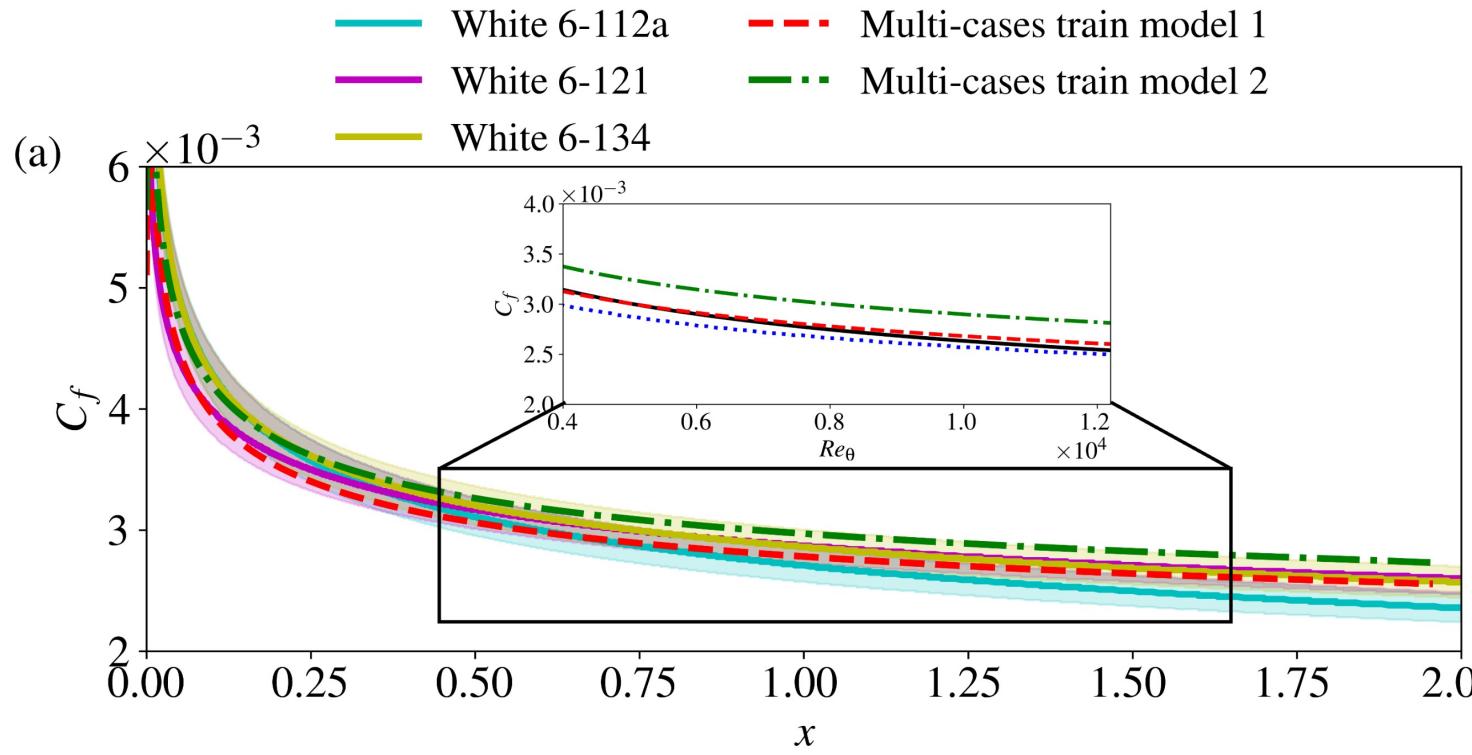
(a) Cost function values for the four cases



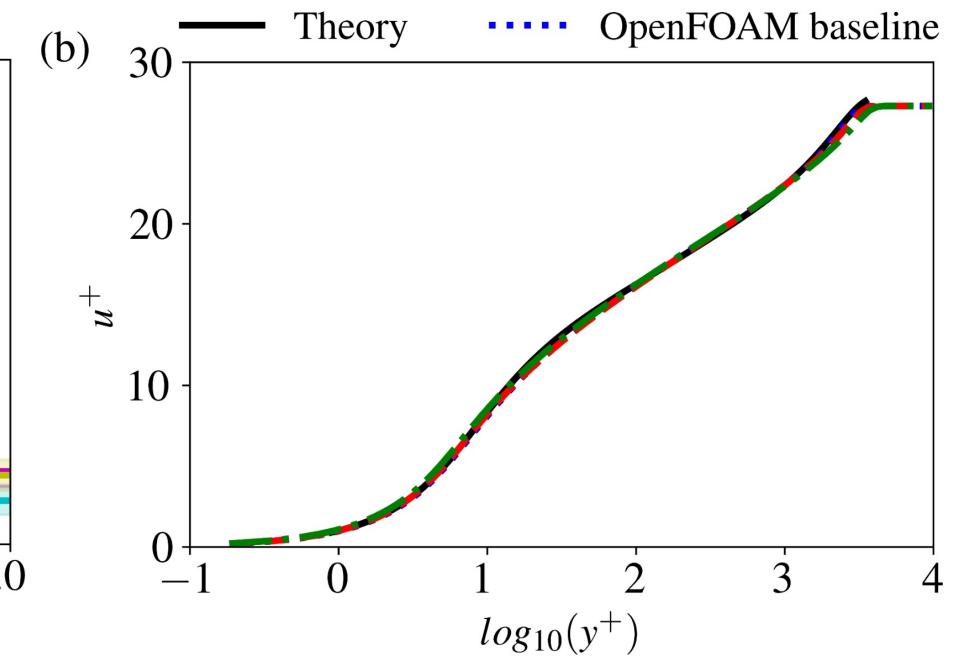
(b) Evolution of the sum of cost function values

3.1 Multi-cases training result

3.1.2 Result of multi-case training for the flat plate



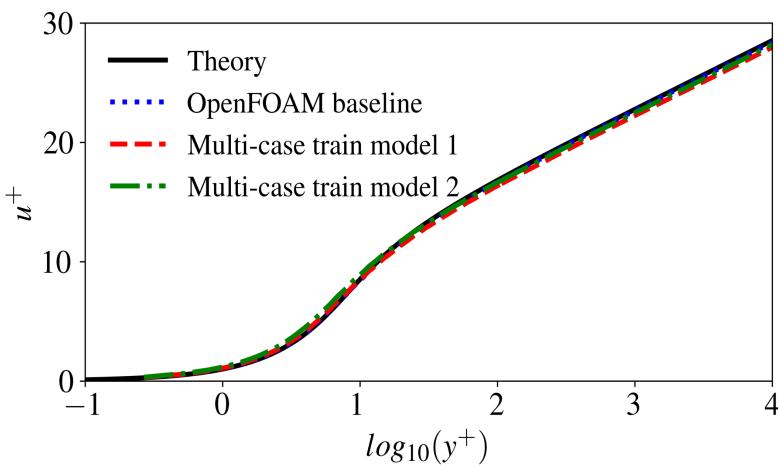
(a) The friction coefficient along plate



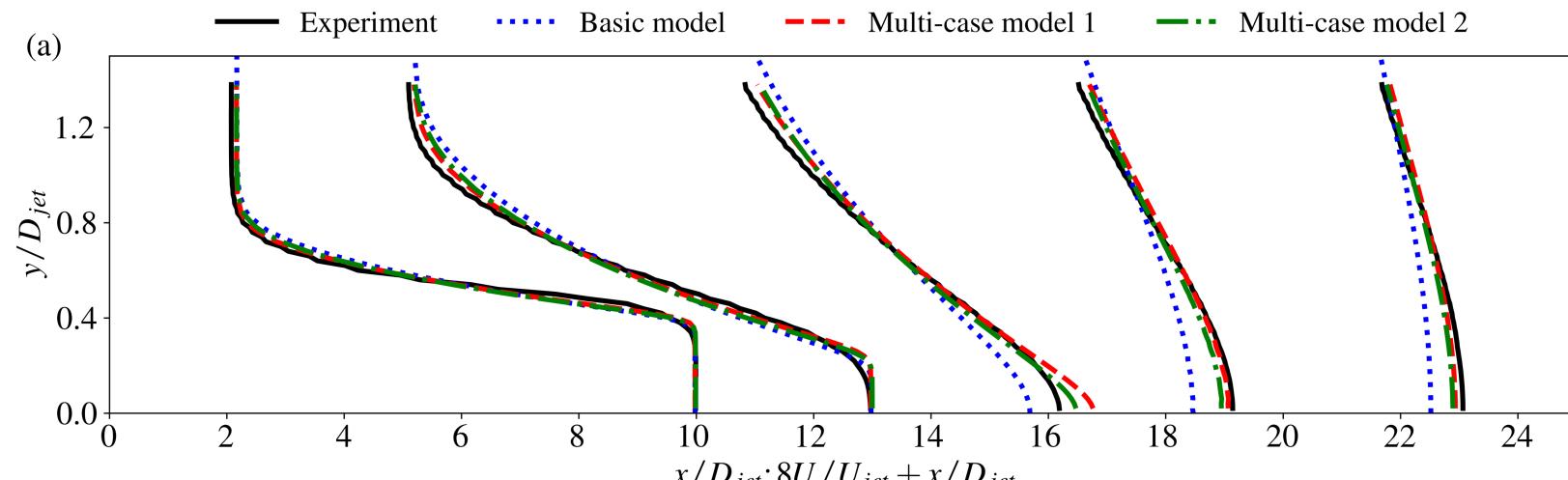
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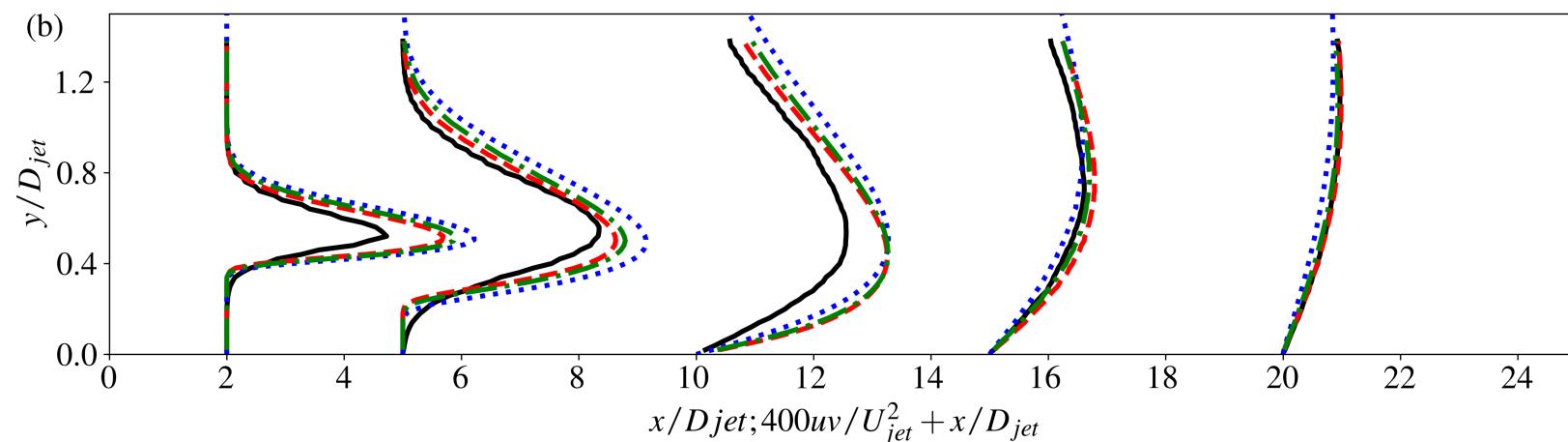
3.1.2 Result of multi-case training for channel and subsonic jet



The velocity law of channel flow
at $x = 500$



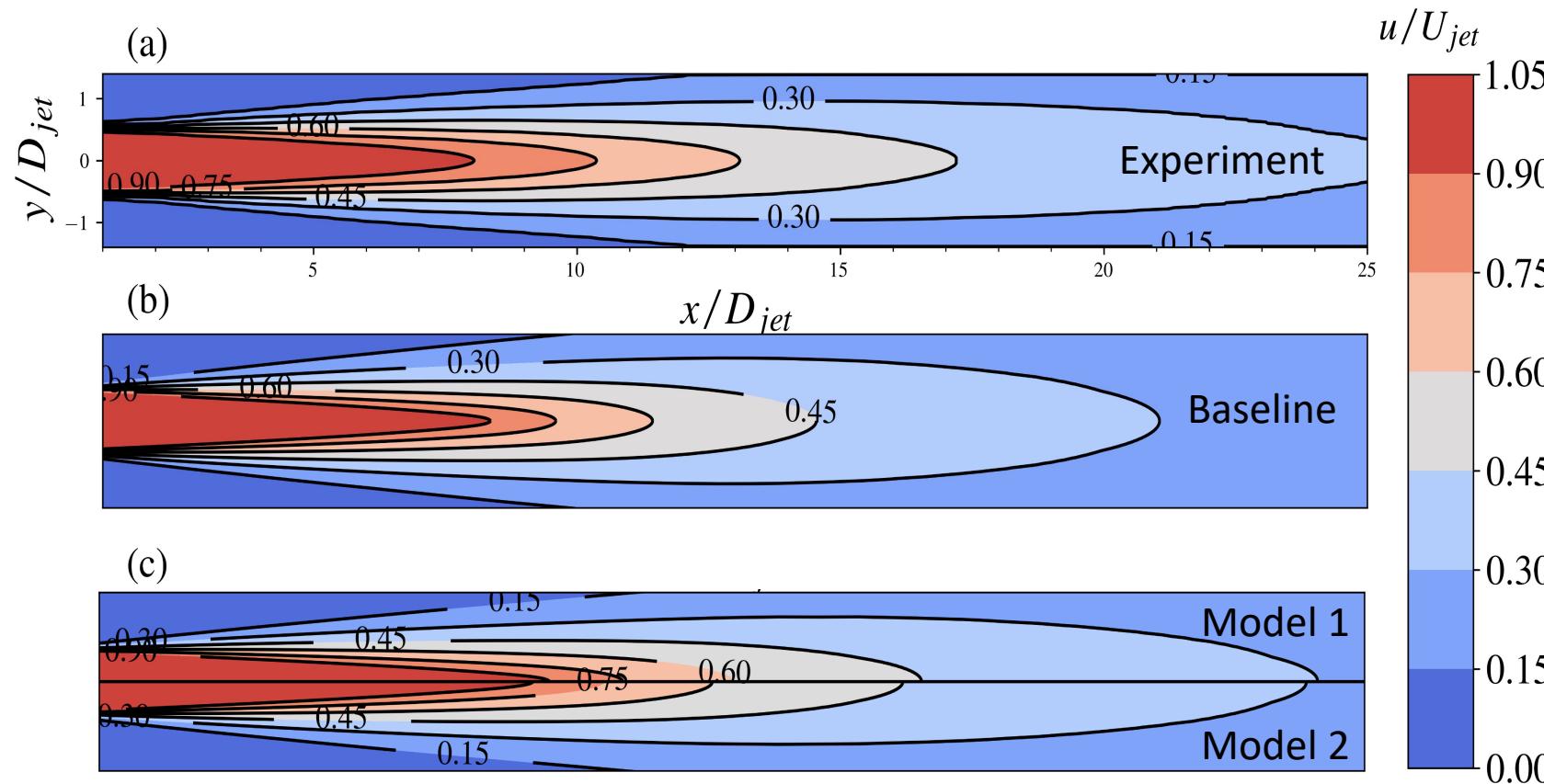
(a) The velocity profiles of subsonic jet at $x/D_{jet} = 2, 5, 10, 15, 20$



(b) The shear stress profiles of subsonic jet at $x/D_{jet} = 2, 5, 10, 15, 20$

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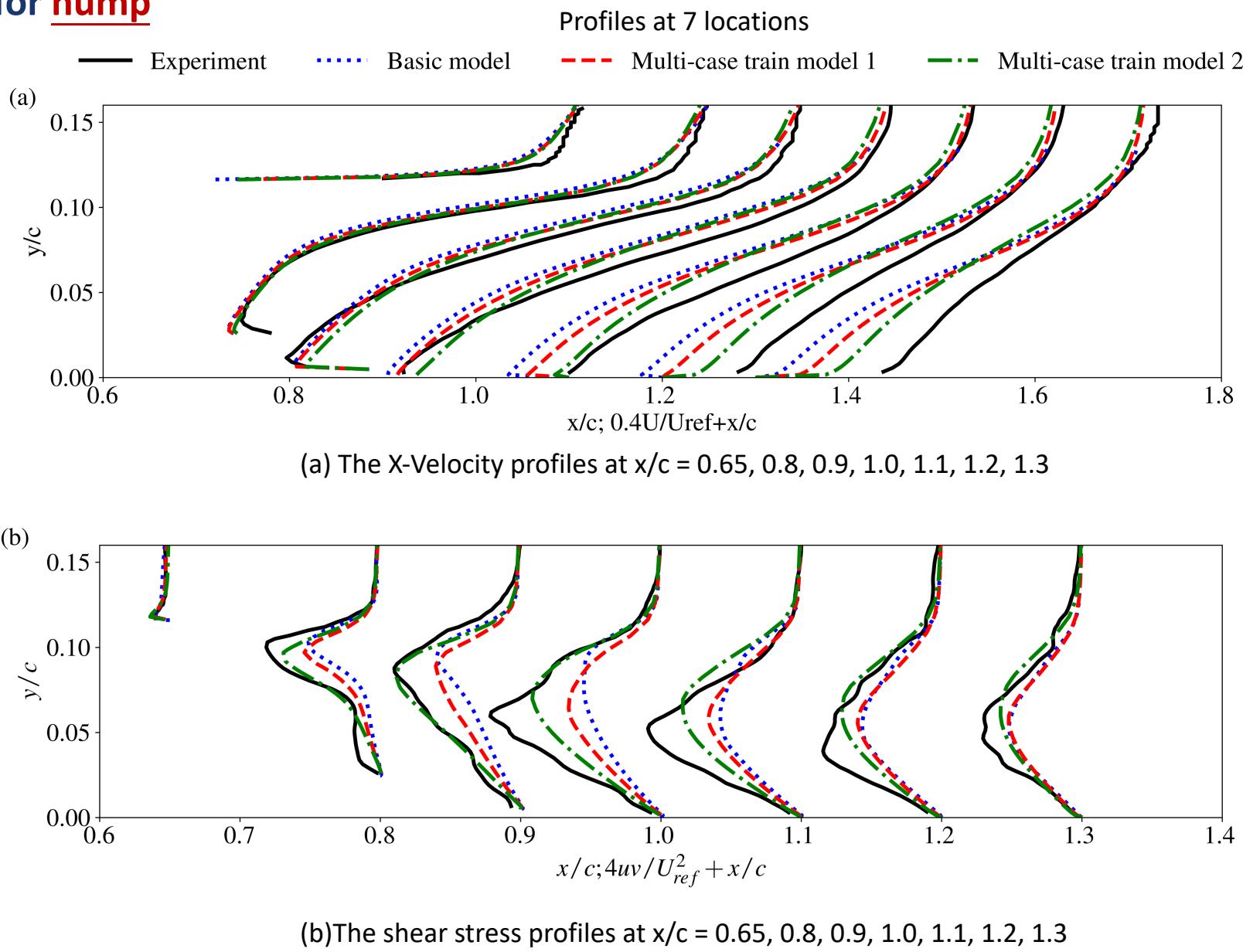
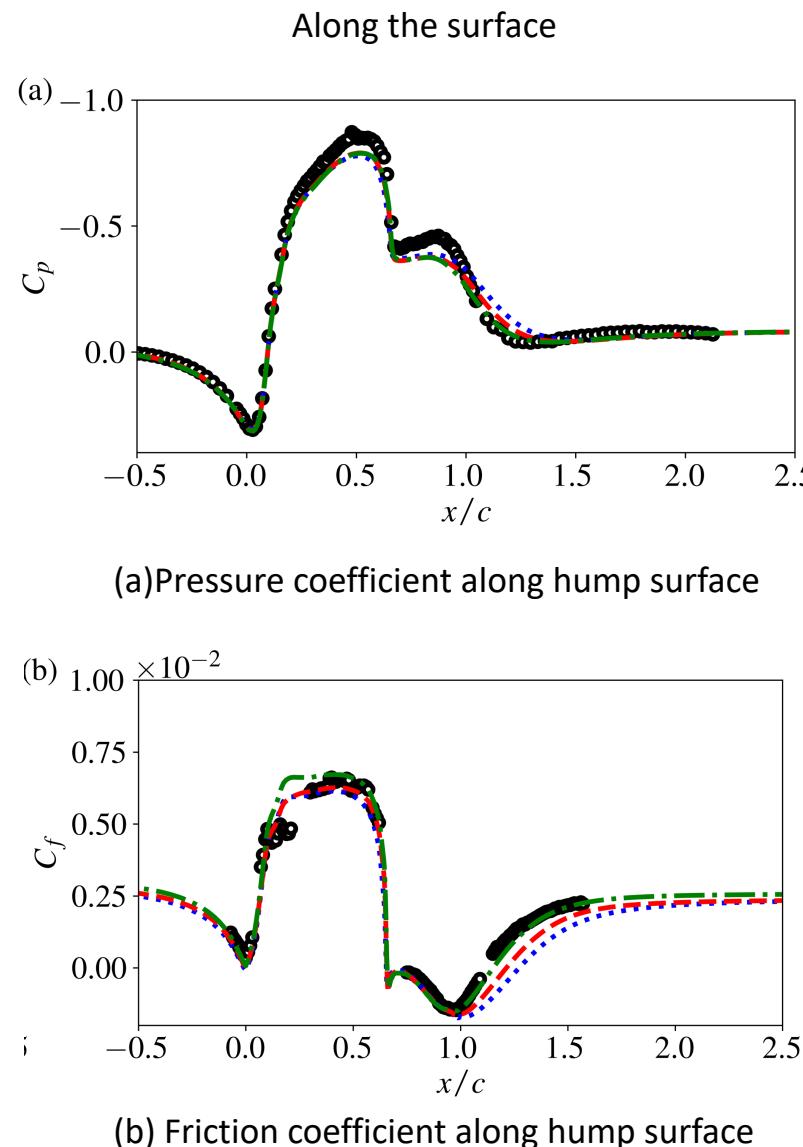
3.1.2 Flow field result of multi-case training for subsonic jet



- Both the width and length of jet simulation improved by reducing the diffusion in the whole computation domain

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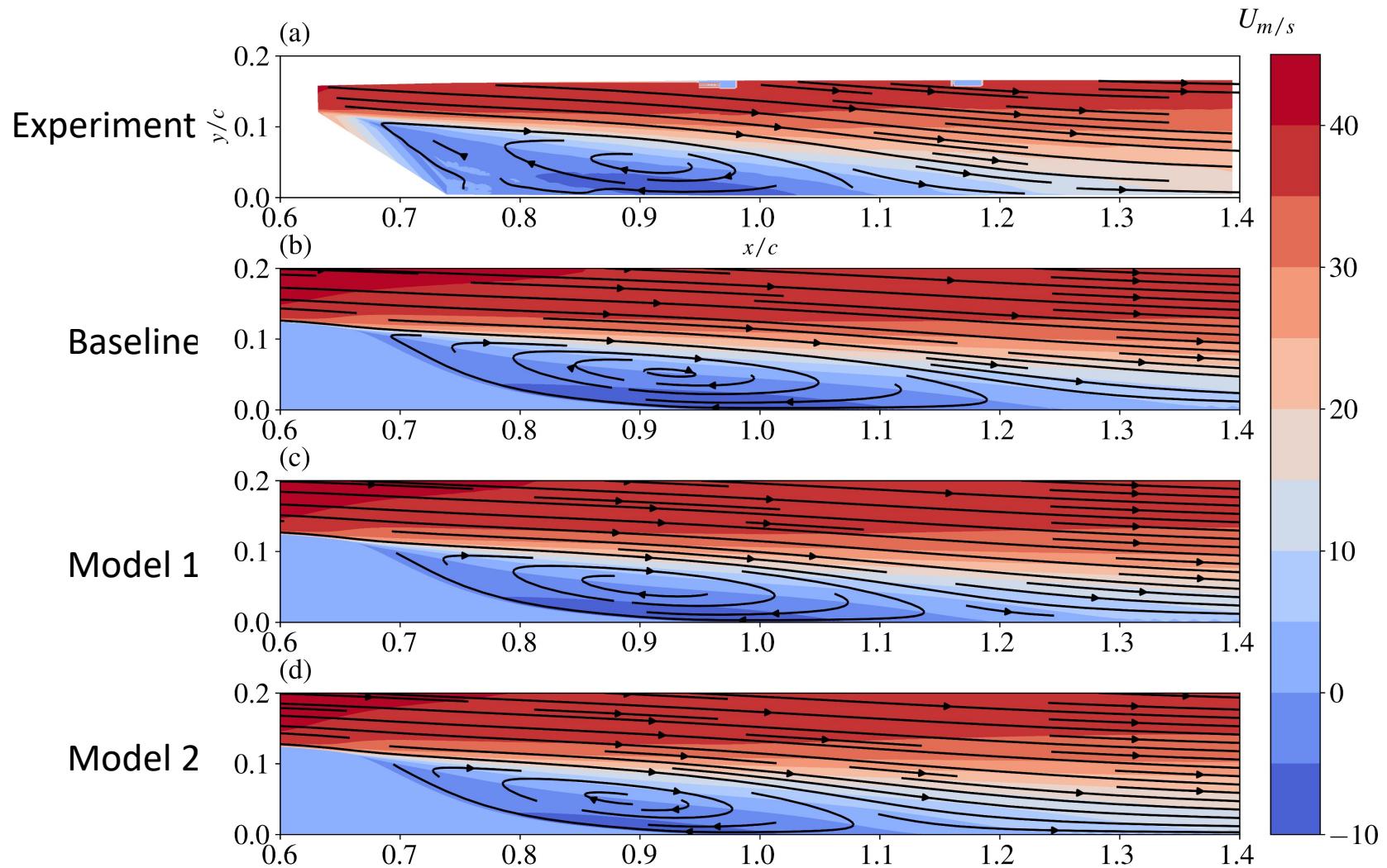
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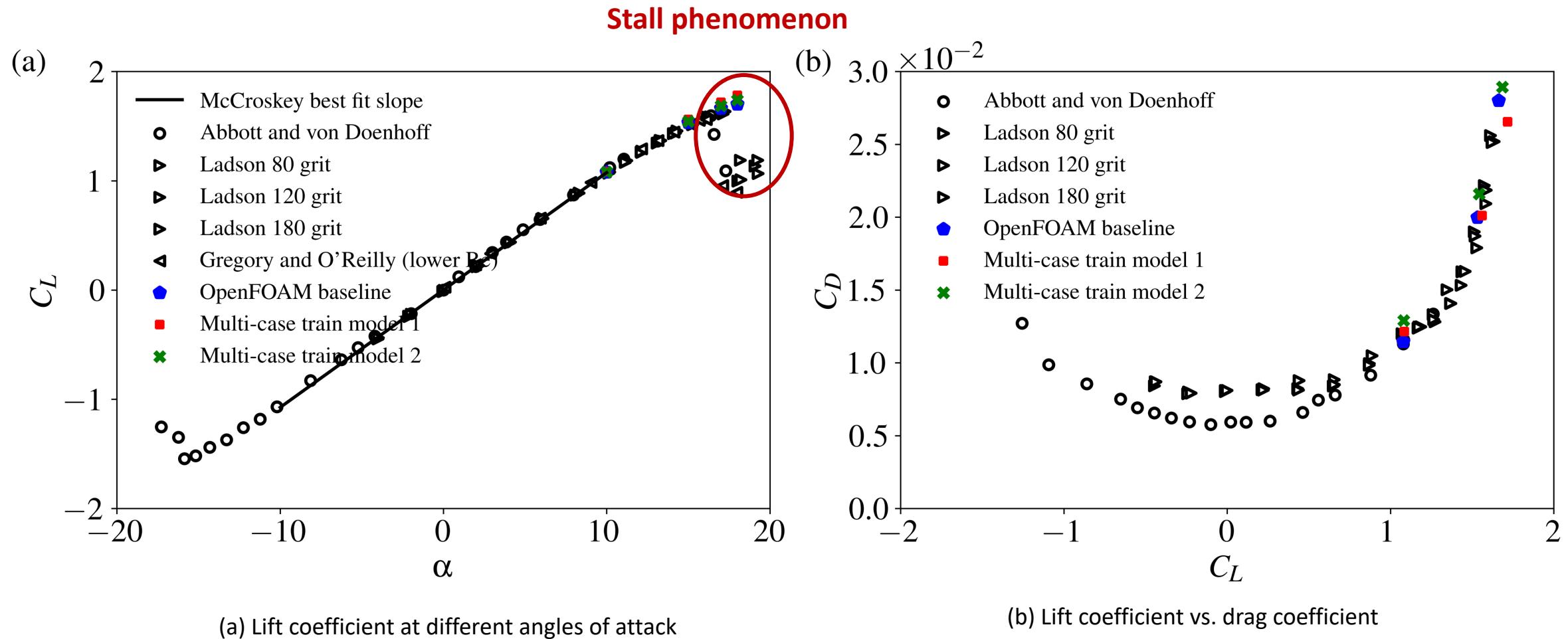
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- The prediction of reattachment location agrees fairly well with the experiment, which is a well-known drawback of the baseline model.



3.2 A Posteriori tests

3.2 2D NACA 0012 Airfoil Validation Case (4 separate cases (angles of attack = 10, 15, 17, 18 deg))



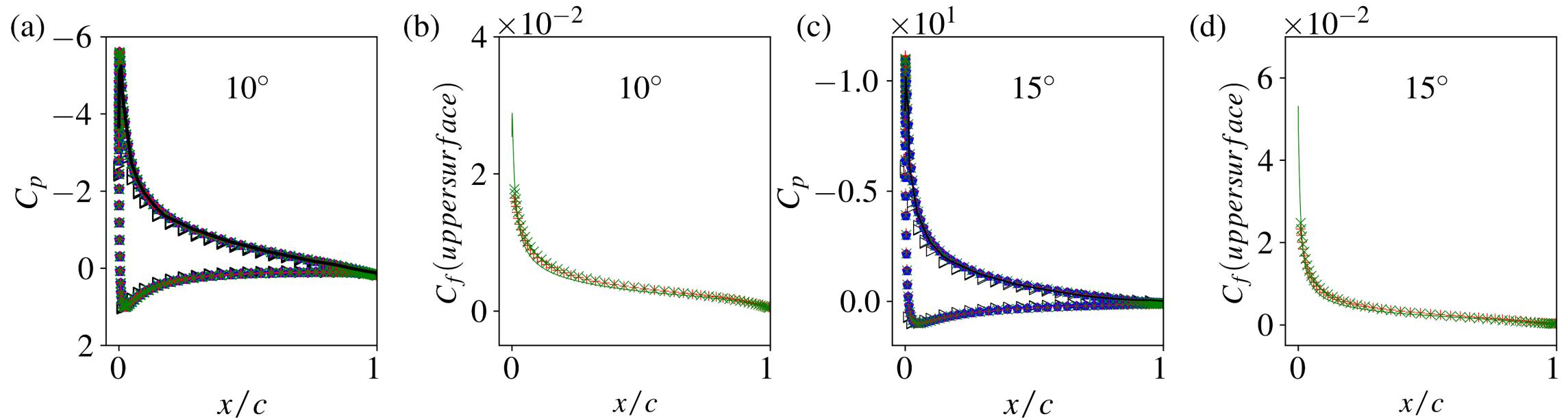
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- Gregory. Re=3mill. free transition
- ▷ Ladson. Re=3mill. fixed transition
- ▷ Ladson. Re=9mill, fixed transition

- ▷ Ladson 1 Re=6mill. free transition
- OpenFOAM baseline

- + Multi-case train model 1
- ✗ Multi-case train model 2



- The built models improve flows with large discrepancies to ‘truth’ while not deteriorating flows outside the training data set.

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4. Contribution

- Analyze the difficulties to build a general model by single-case training
- Extend the single to multi-case CFD training framework and try to reduce the computation cost
- Insert additional flow features to supplement Pope's theory to capture different trends of corrections.



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1.1 The research objectives

Testing cases: NACA 0012 airfoil cases with 4 angles of attack

- ❑ Zero Pressure Gradient Flat Plate Validation Case

No detrimental performance for plate case

- ❑ Channel Flow at High Reynolds Number Validation Case

NACA0012 Airfoil Validation Cases (4 Separate cases with 4 angles of attack)

A wide range of Reynolds number

- ❑ Axisymmetric Subsonic Jet Case

Compressible flow Pimple algorithm

Separation and secondary flow

- ❑ Wall-Mounted Hump Separated Flow Validation Cases

Stall phenomenon Different attack angles

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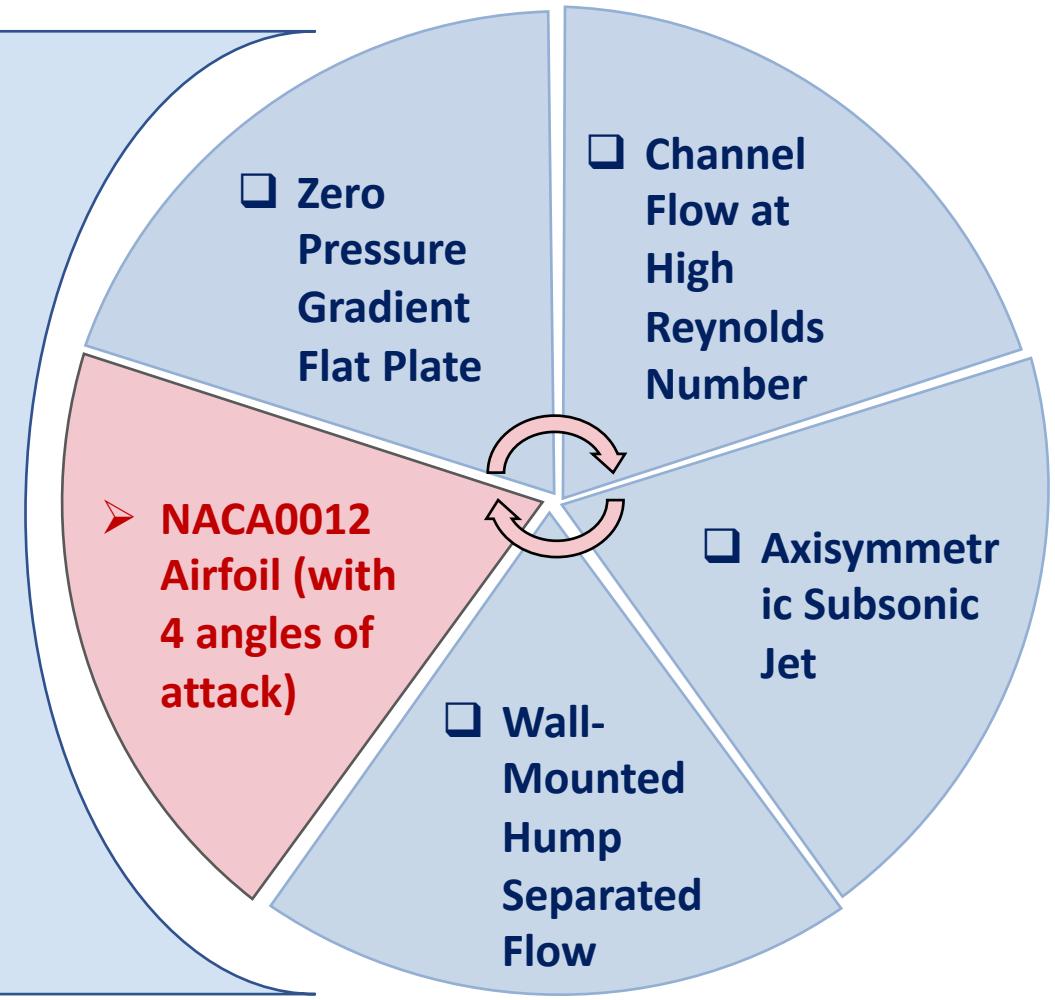


Figure 1: Components of training and testing cases

4. Discussion

4.1 Non-dimensionalization and scaling way

Advantages

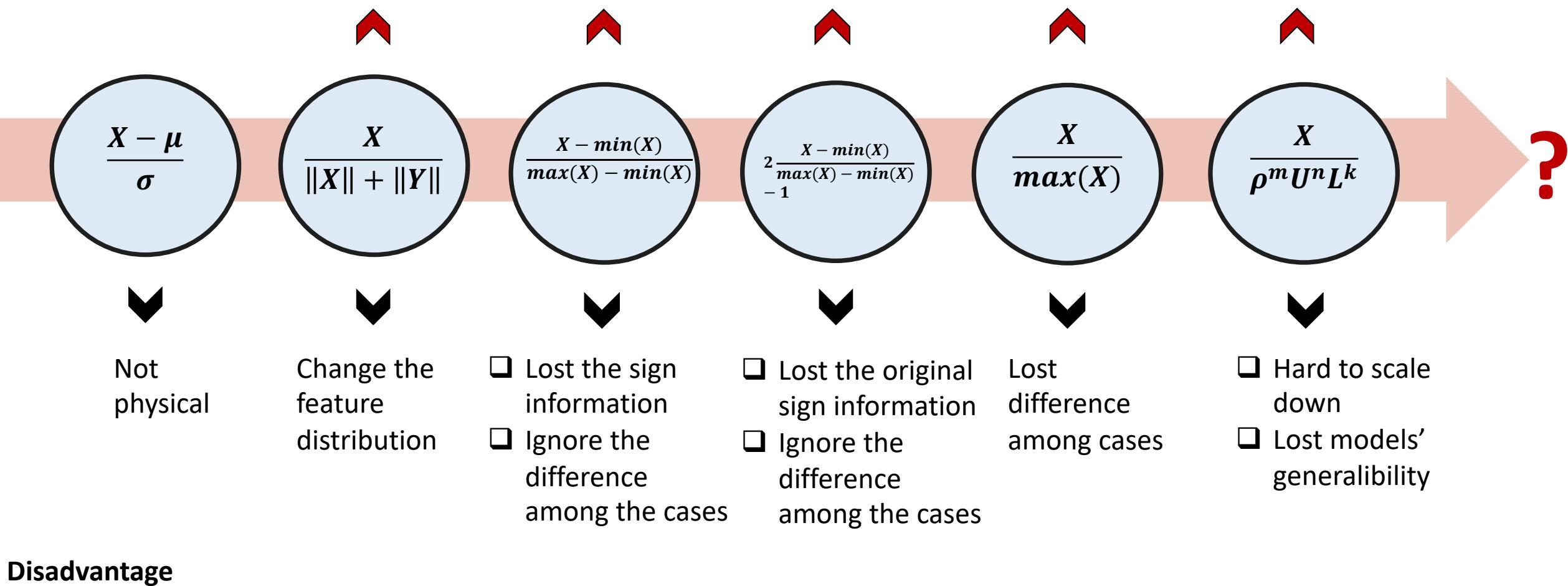
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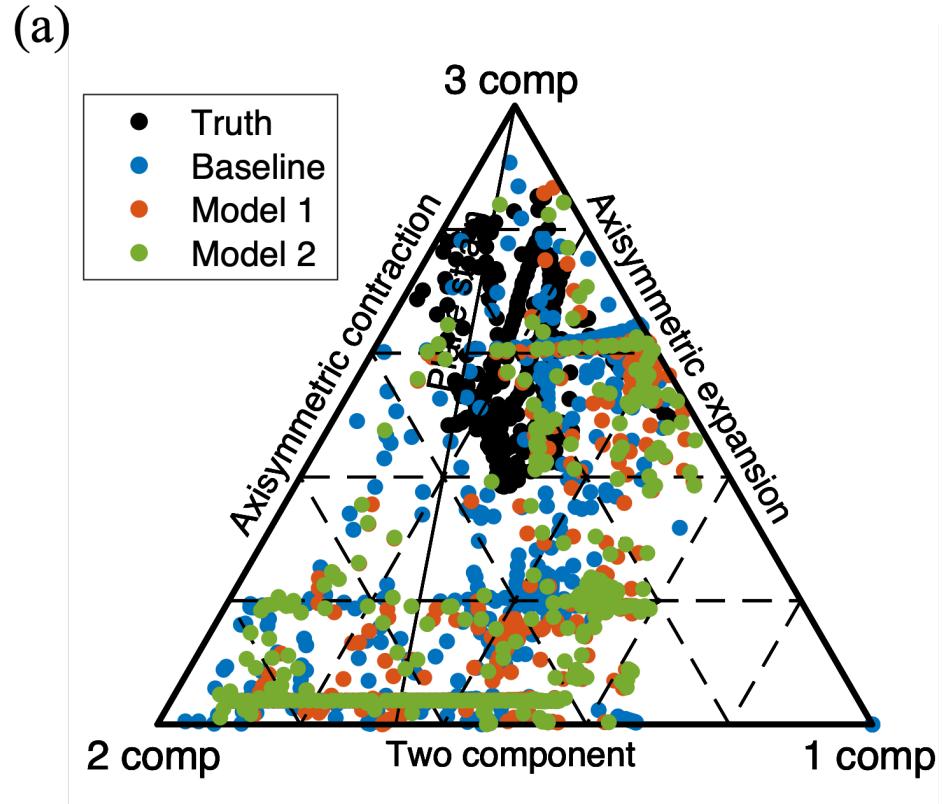
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- ✓ Retain both the physical and sign information

- ✓ Retain sign information
- ✓ Remain the difference among cases

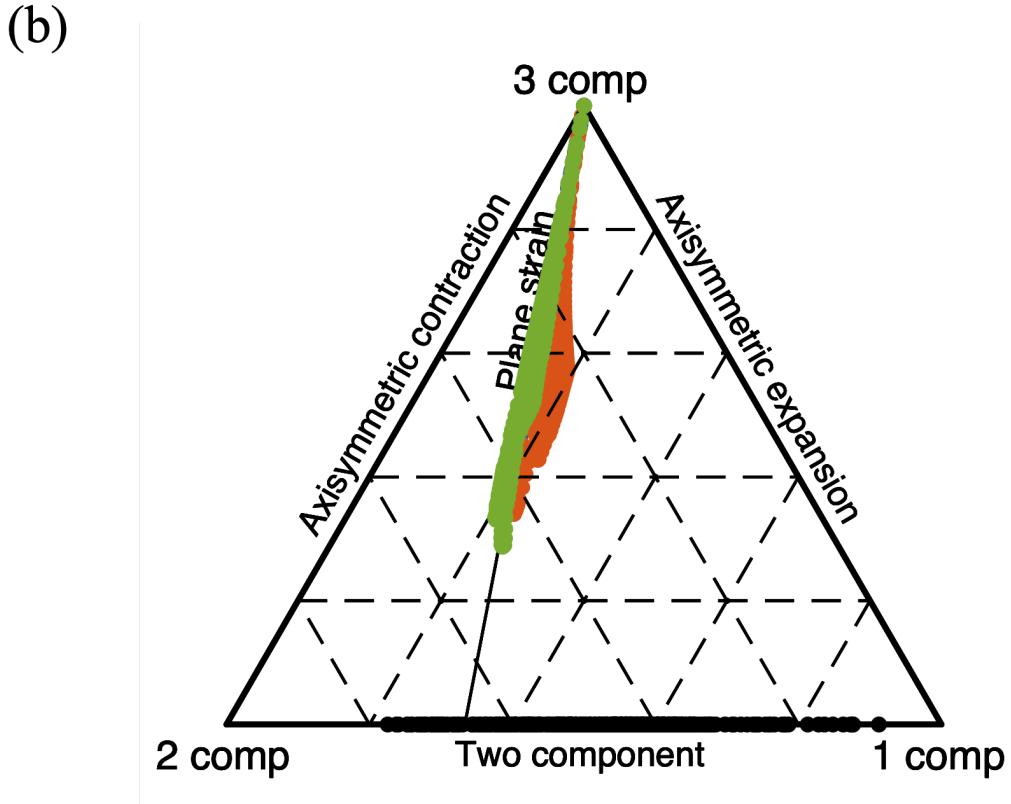


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4.2 Realizability – Barycentric map



(a) Barycentric map of jet at $x/D_{\text{jet}} = 2, 5, 10, 15, 20$



(b) Barycentric map of hump at $x/c = 0.65, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0, 1.1, 1.2, 1.3$