

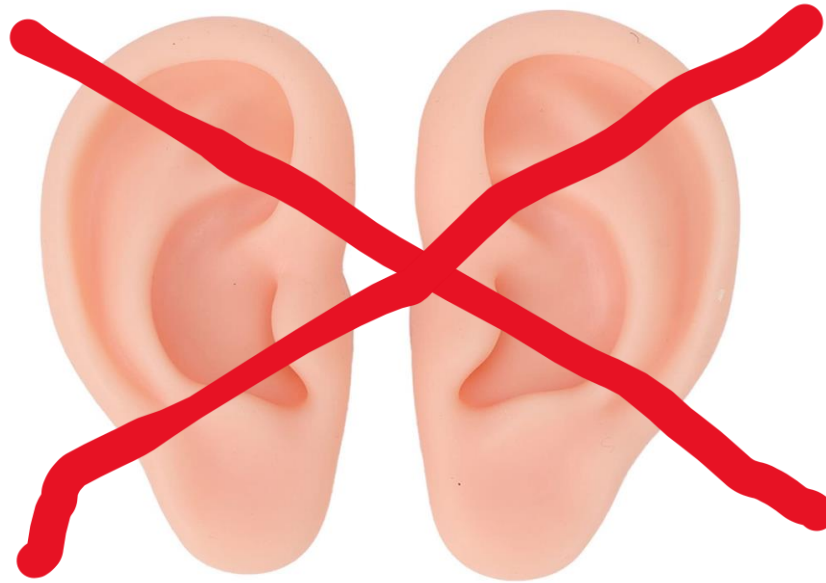


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# Introduction to EARS models

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# EARS

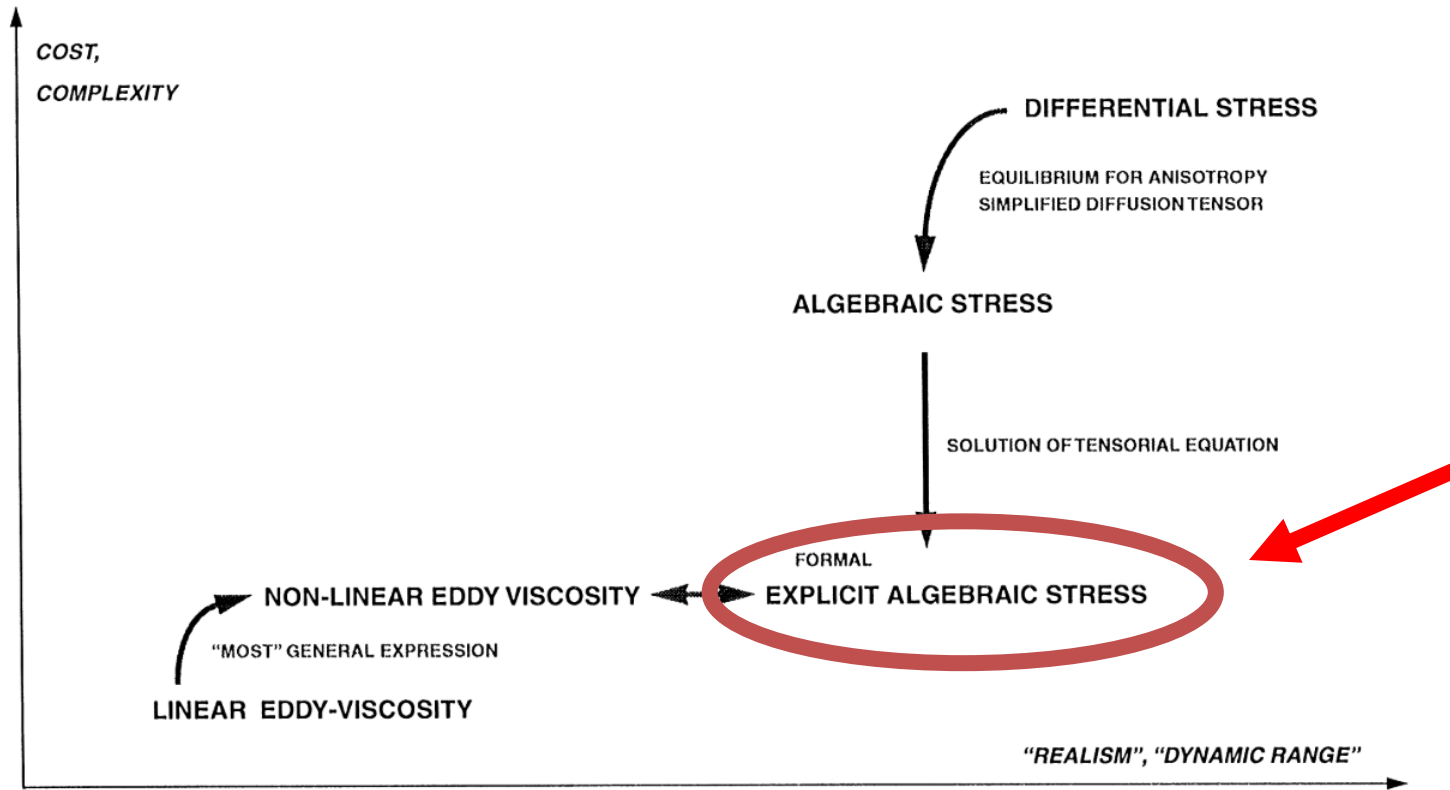


Explicit **A**lgebraic **R**eynolds **S**tress models



# What is an EARS model?

- A class of turbulence models for RANS (and LES)



Gatski & Jongen (2000)

# Example of an EARS model

- Model of Wallin & Johansson (2000) with  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  platform.

$$\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} = \underbrace{-\overline{u'_i u'_j} \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j}}_{\mathcal{P}} - \varepsilon + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_k} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right)}_{\mathcal{D}^{(k)}},$$

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial x_j} = (C_{\varepsilon 1} \mathcal{P} - C_{\varepsilon 2} \varepsilon) \frac{\varepsilon}{k} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial x_j} \right)}_{\mathcal{D}^{(\varepsilon)}}.$$

$$\mathbf{S} = S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right),$$

$$\mathbf{\Omega} = \Omega_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right),$$

$$II_S = S_{ij} S_{ji}$$

$$II_\Omega = \Omega_{ij} \Omega_{ji}$$

$$\mathbf{T}^{(1)} = \mathbf{S}$$

$$\mathbf{T}^{(4)} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Omega} - \mathbf{\Omega}\mathbf{S}$$

$$P_1 = \left( \frac{1}{27} c_1'^2 + \frac{9}{20} II_S - \frac{2}{3} II_\Omega \right) c_1',$$

$$P_2 = P_1^2 - \left( \frac{1}{9} c_1'^2 + \frac{9}{10} II_S + \frac{2}{3} II_\Omega \right)^3.$$

$$N = \begin{cases} \frac{c_1'}{3} + (P_1 + \sqrt{P_2})^{1/3} + \text{sign}(P_1 - \sqrt{P_2}) |P_1 - \sqrt{P_2}|^{1/3}, & P_2 \geq 0 \\ \frac{c_1'}{3} + 2(P_1^2 - P_2)^{1/6} + \cos\left(\frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{P_1}{\sqrt{P_1^2 - P_2}} \right)\right), & P_2 < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\beta_1 = -\frac{6}{5} \frac{N}{N^2 - 2II_\Omega}, \quad \beta_4 = -\frac{6}{5} \frac{1}{N^2 - 2II_\Omega}.$$

$$a_{ij} = \beta_1 T_{ij}^{(1)} + \beta_4 T_{ij}^{(4)}$$

$$\overline{u'_i u'_j} = k a_{ij} + \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij}$$

# Why EARS models?

	Linear EVM	WJ-EARSM
Anisotropic freestream turbulence	✗	✓
Secondary flows	✗	✓
Counter-gradient heat fluxes	✗	✓
Realizable turbulence	Some	✓
Sensitive to rotation	Very few	✓

Wallin & Johansson (2000):

*An explicit algebraic Reynolds stress model*

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cases, here with almost one million grid points. Most importantly, there is no substantial increase in the computational cost compared to the, in many cases, robust standard  $K-\omega$  model.

# How I got interested in EARS models

FLOW centre  
KTH, Stockholm, Sweden



Visited dr. Stefan Wallin in Autumn 2021.

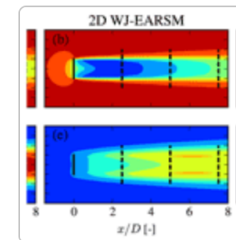
# EARSM for wind applications

Research article | 

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## Wind turbine wake simulation with explicit algebraic Reynolds stress modeling

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## RANS simulation of a wind turbine wake in the neutral atmospheric pressure-driven boundary layer

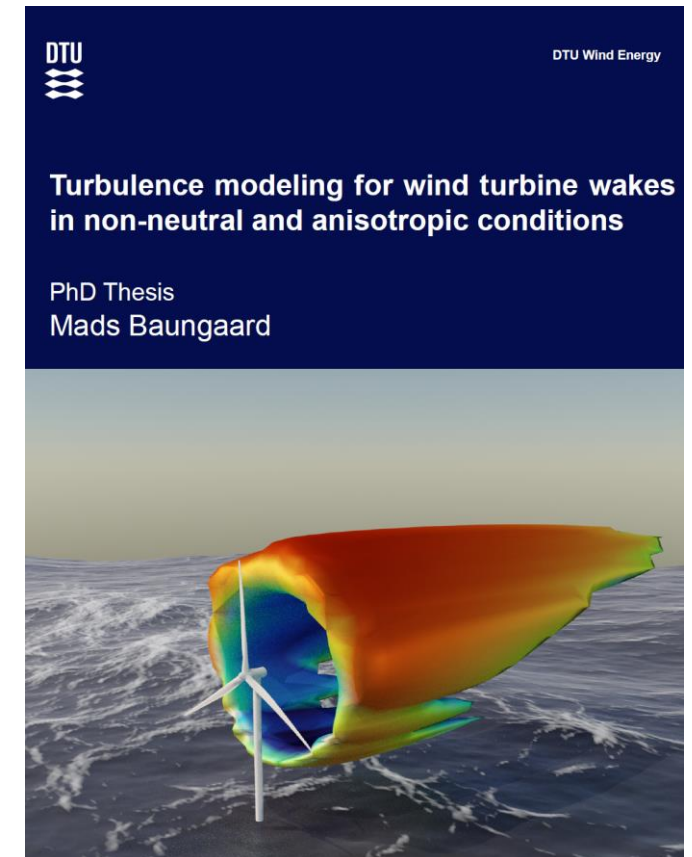
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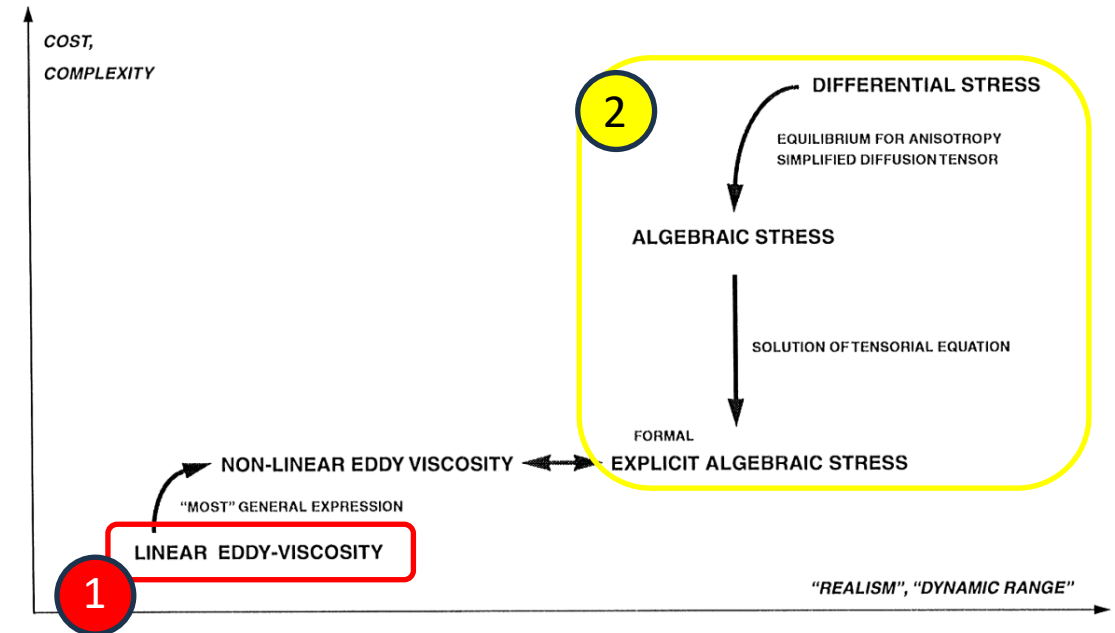
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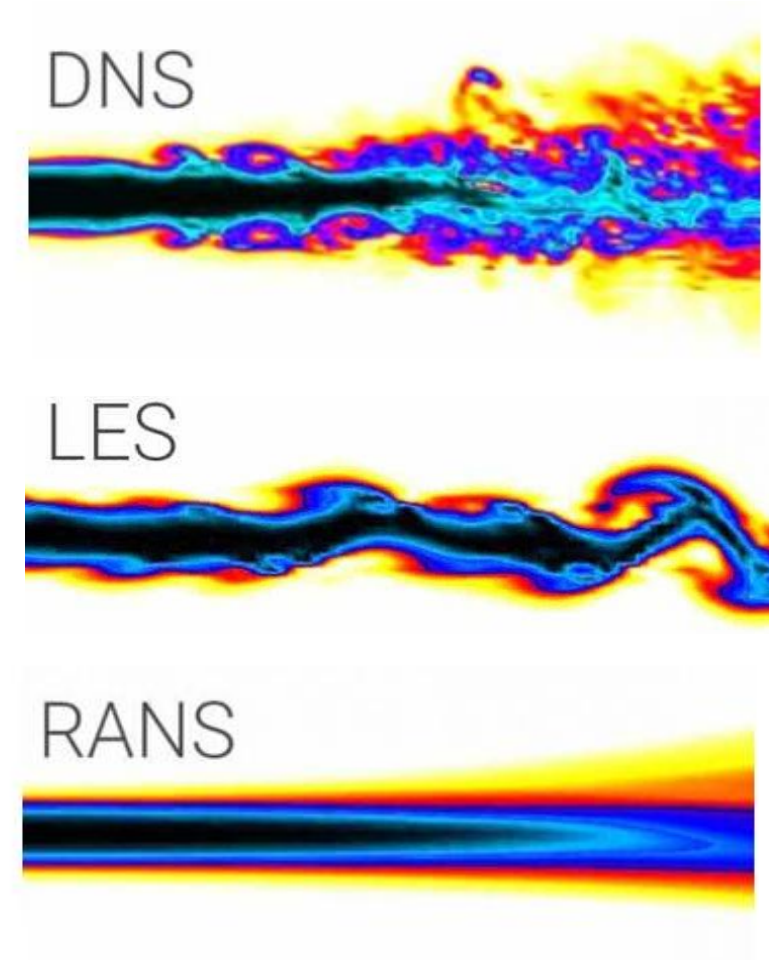
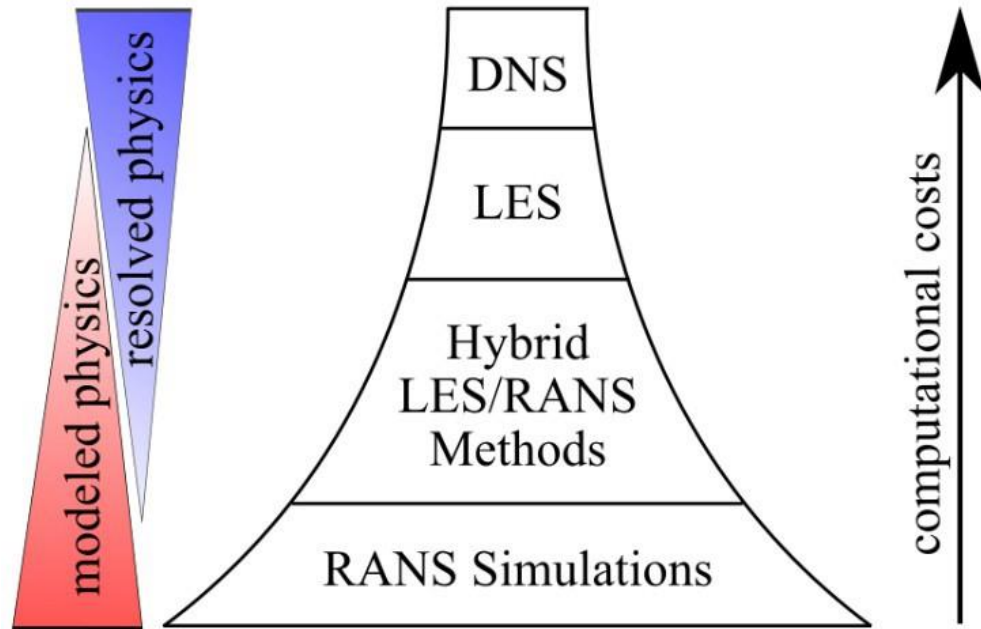


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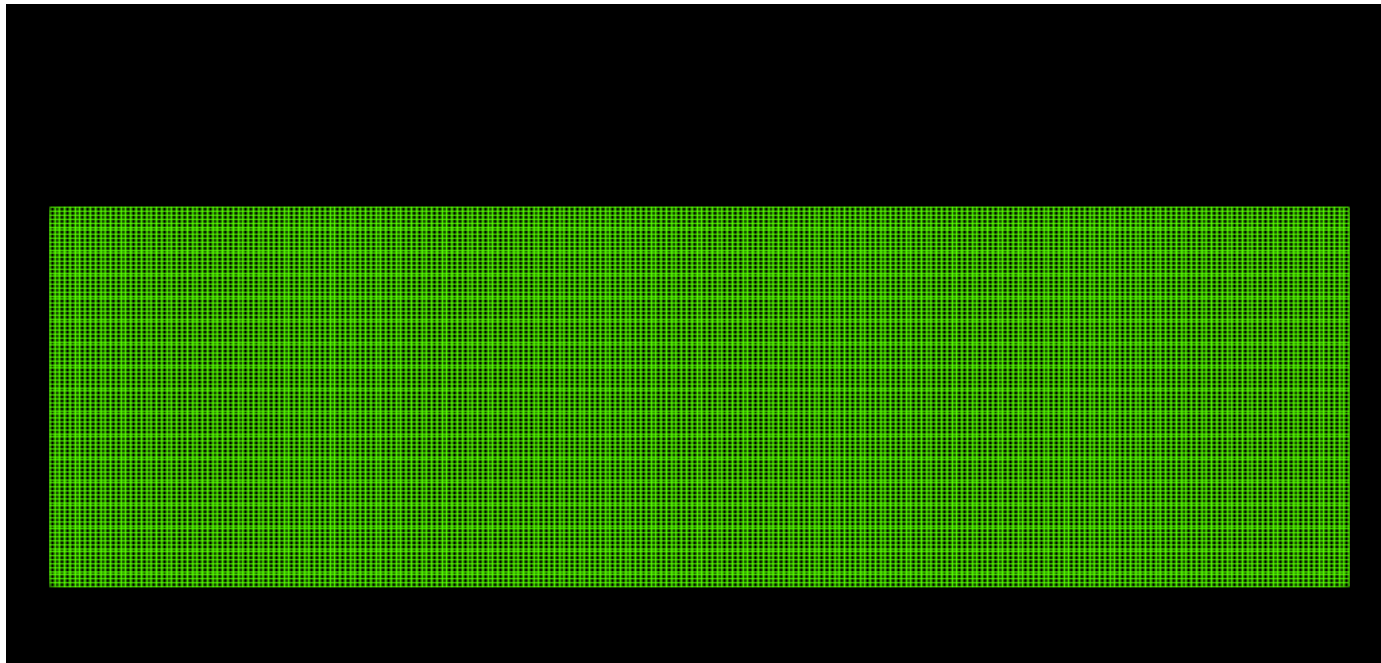
# Computational fluid dynamics



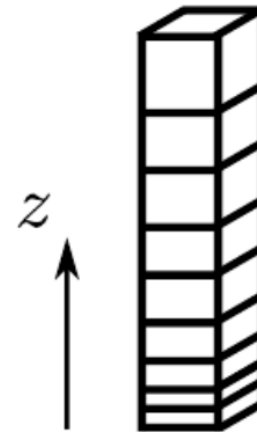
*One method is not “better”. They are just different tools.*

# Computational cost?

Example: simulation of conventionally neutral boundary layer (CNBL)



LES (EllipSys3D): 4500 core-hours



1D URANS (EllipSys1D):  
25 core-seconds



$\mathcal{O}(10^6)$

Baungaard et al. (2024)

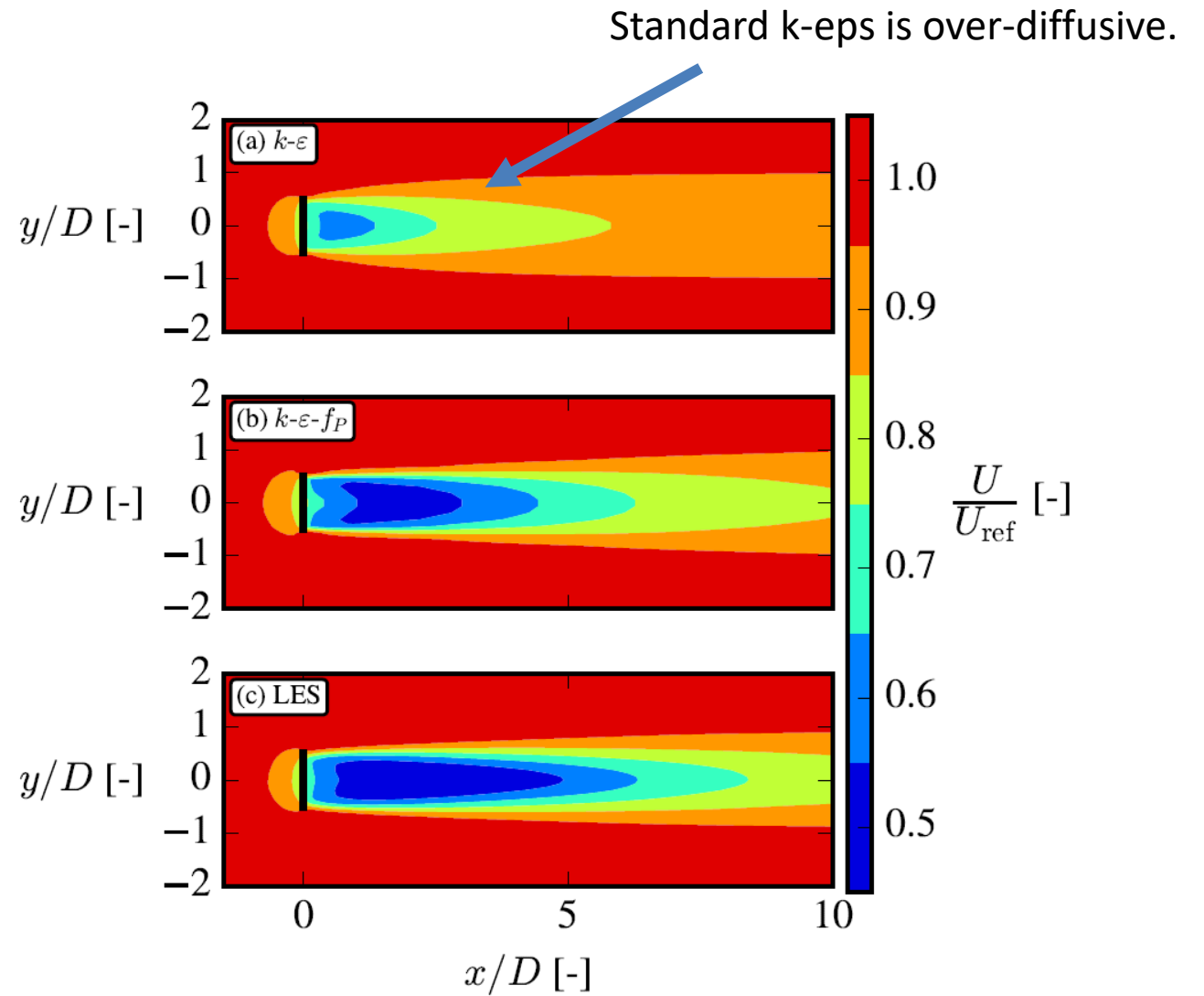
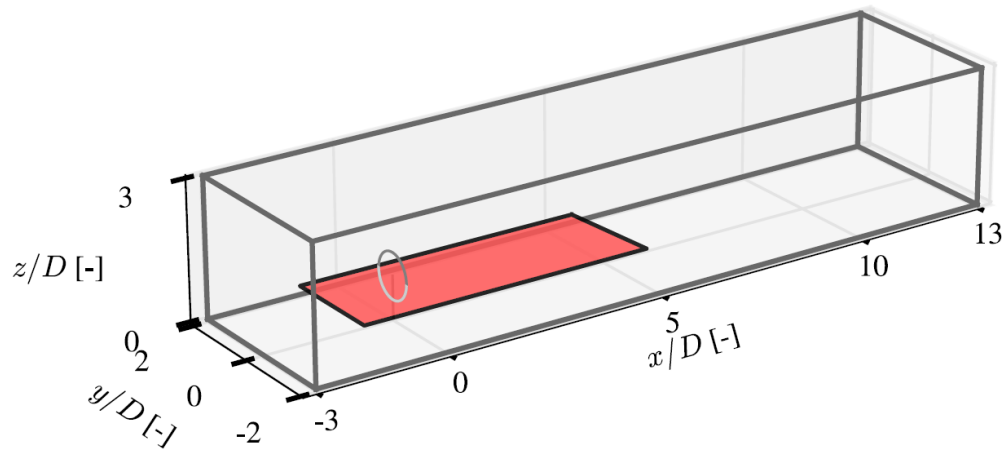
# RANS equations

Turbulence modelling: *“How do we get the Reynolds stress tensor?”*

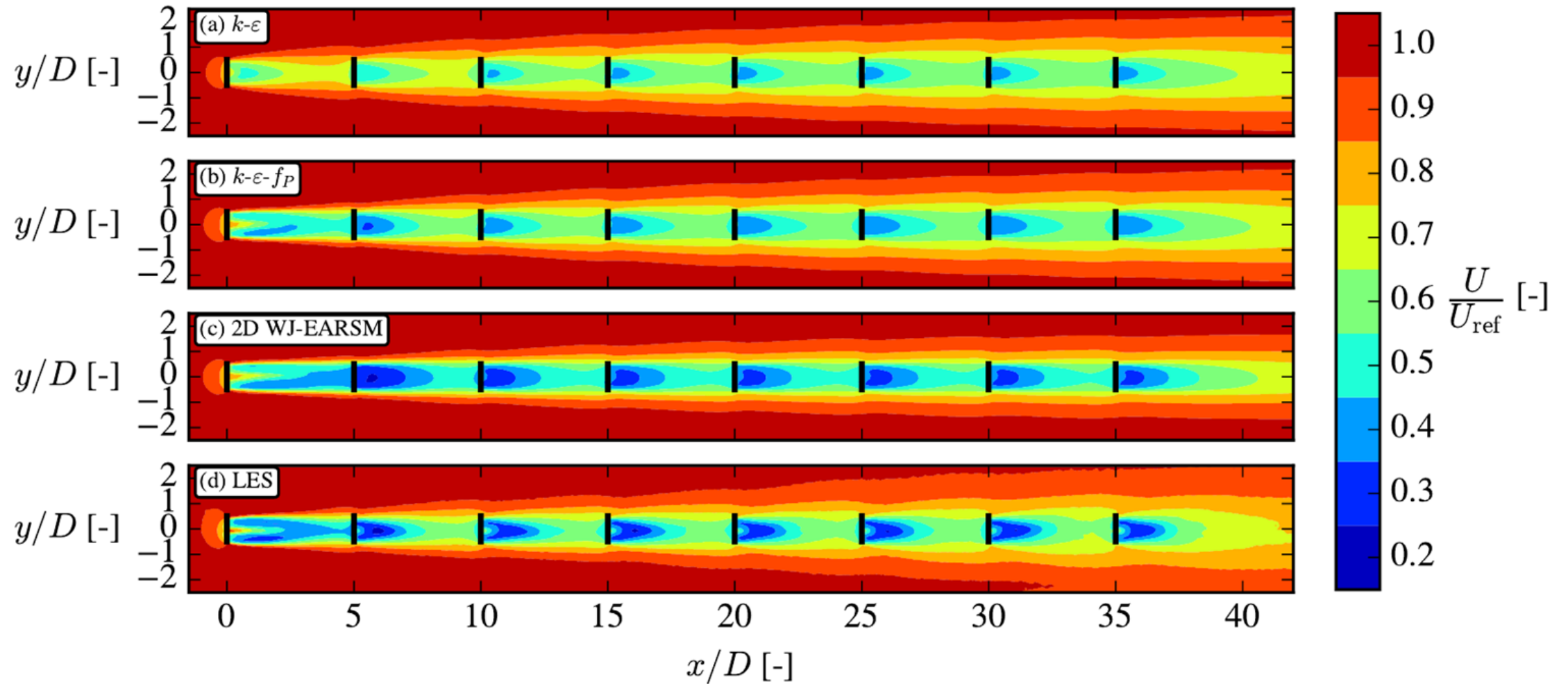
$$\frac{\partial U_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (U_j U_i)}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \nu \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right) - \overline{u'_i u'_j} \right) + F_i$$

Very important for getting good results!

# Example 1: a wind turbine wake



## Example 2: a row of turbines



# Message

Before moving to expensive LES and DNS:

*“What is the best we can do with RANS?”*

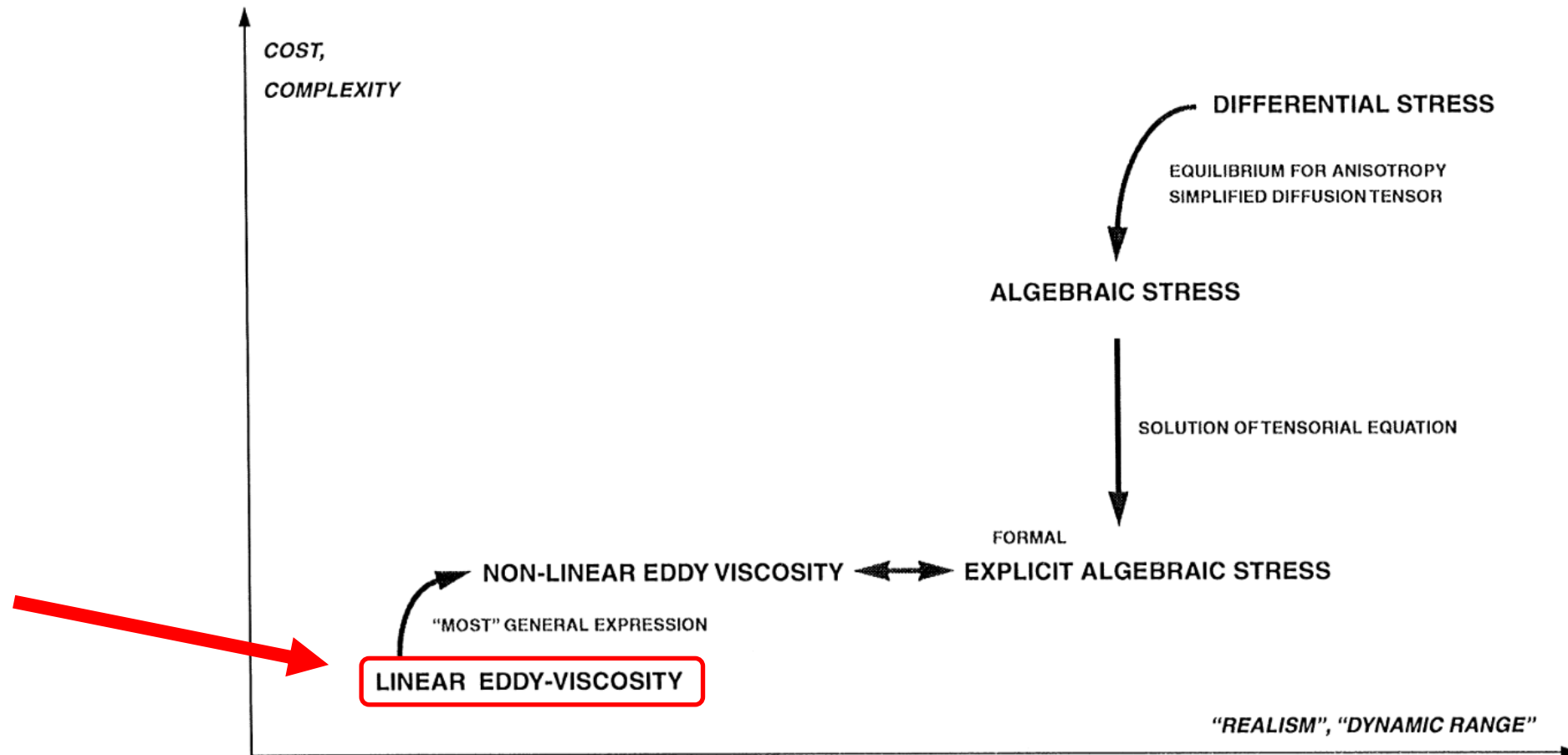


Shift weight to  
the turbulence  
modeller



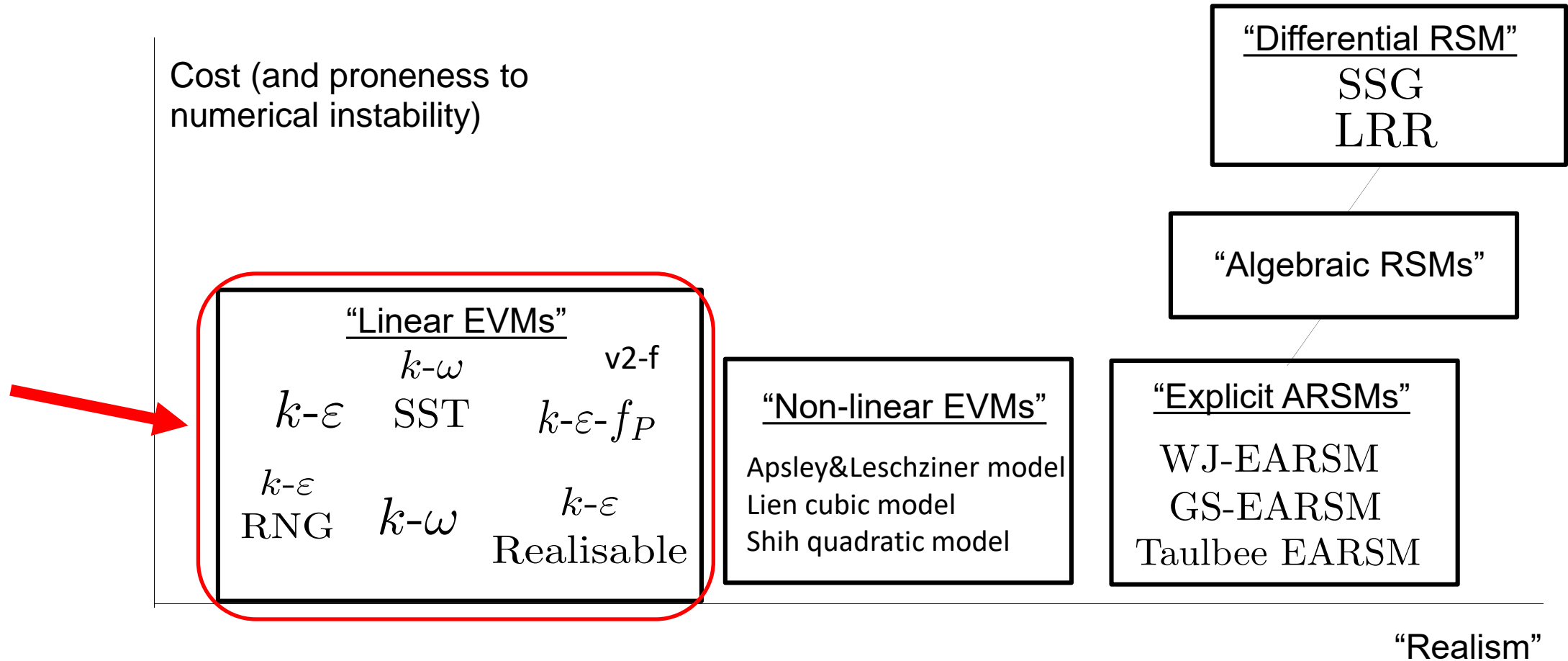
Linear eddy-viscosity  
models (EVMs)

# How to model uiuj?





# How to model $u_i u_j$ ?



# Linear eddy-viscosity models (EVMs)

$$\frac{\partial U_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (U_j U_i)}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \nu \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right) - \overline{u'_i u'_j} \right) + F_i$$

Idea: Maybe the **red** term is similar to the **blue** term.

$$\Rightarrow \overline{u'_i u'_j} = -\nu_t \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

Symmetric



$$\overline{u'_i u'_i} = 0$$



Idea 2: The trace should be equal to 2 times TKE

$$\overline{u'_i u'_j} = -\nu_t \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right) + \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij}$$

Symmetric



$$\overline{u'_i u'_i} = 2k$$



# The Boussinesq hypothesis

All linear EVMs use the Boussinesq hypothesis as their *constitutive relation*.

$$\overline{u'_i u'_j} = -\nu_t \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right) + \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij}$$

They only differ in how they obtain the eddy viscosity.

$\nu_t \equiv C_\mu^{(\text{eff})} k \tau$	Model	$C_\mu^{(\text{eff})}$	$\tau$
	$k$ - $\varepsilon$	$C_\mu$	$\frac{k}{\varepsilon}$
	$k$ - $\varepsilon$ - $f_P$	$C_\mu f_P$	$\frac{k}{\varepsilon}$
	$k$ - $\omega$	$\beta^*$	$\frac{1}{\beta^* \omega}$
	$k$ - $\omega$ SST	$\min \left( \beta^*, \frac{a_1}{\sqrt{-2\Pi_\Omega F_2}} \right)$	$\frac{1}{\beta^* \omega}$

# What is meant by *linear* EVM?

$$\overline{u'_i u'_j} = -\nu_t \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right) + \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij}$$

$$a_{ij} \equiv \frac{\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{k} - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij}, \quad S_{ij} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \tau \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

↓

$$\nu_t \equiv C_{\mu}^{(\text{eff})} k \tau$$

$$a_{ij} = -2C_{\mu}^{(\text{eff})} S_{ij}$$

*Anisotropy tensor is linear in the strain rate tensor.*

# Deficiency of linear EVMs

$$a_{ij} = -2C_{\mu}^{(\text{eff})} S_{ij}$$

- “Blind” to the antisymmetric part of the velocity gradient tensor  $\tau \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} = S_{ij} + \Omega_{ij}$   
which is important for flows with curvature, swirl or rotation.
- For horizontally homogeneous flows, linear EVMs give  $a_{11} = a_{22} = a_{33} = 0$
- Directions of  $a_{ij}$  and  $S_{ij}$  are always aligned
- Realisability not ensured
- ...

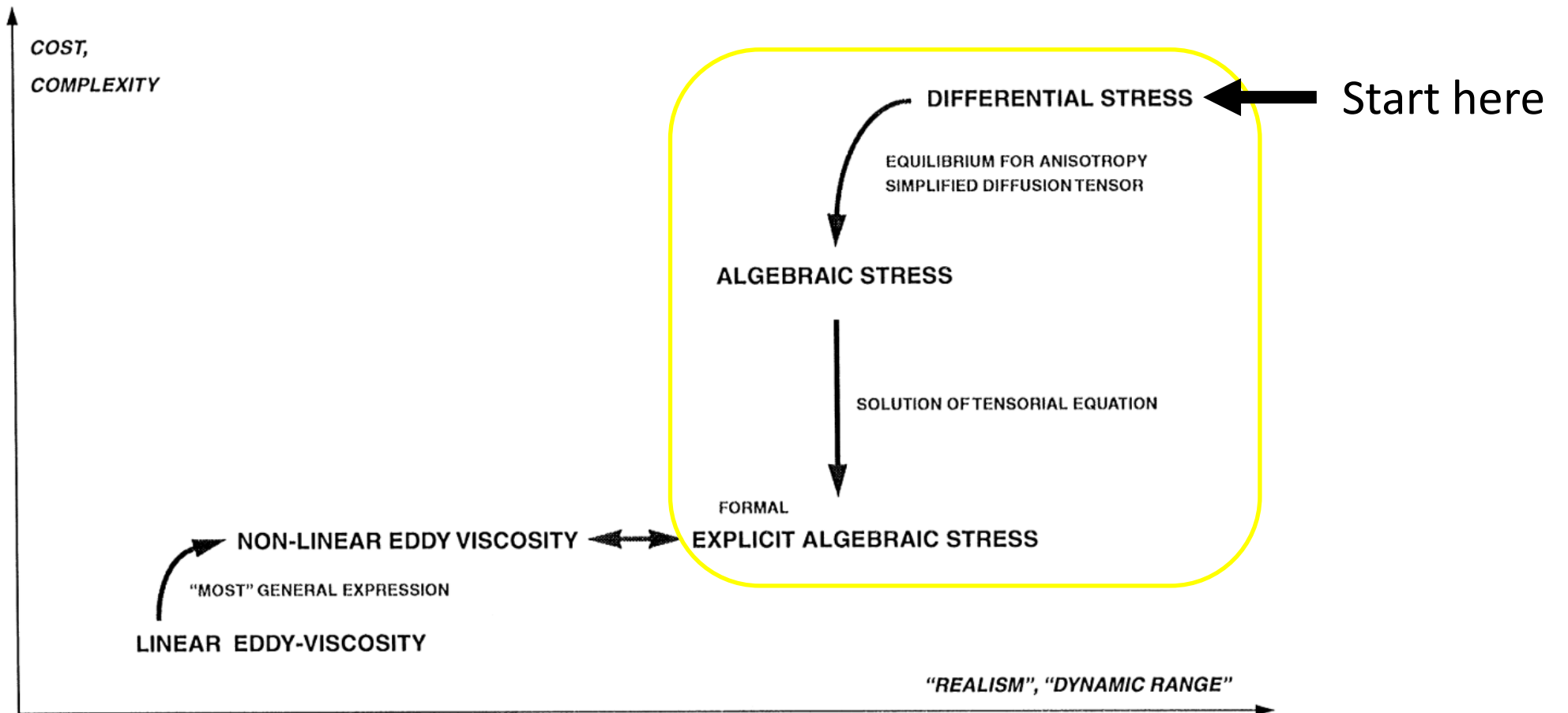
*Lots of ad-hoc modifications have  
been suggested to fix these problems!*



# Theory of EARS models

*Warning: lots of equations!*

# How to model $u_i u_j$ ?



# The starting point for EARS models

- An exact equation

$$\frac{D\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{Dt} = \underbrace{-\overline{u'_j u'_k} \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_k} - \overline{u'_i u'_k} \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_k}}_{\mathcal{P}_{ij}} \underbrace{- \overline{\frac{\partial u'_j u'_i u'_k}{\partial x_k}}}_{\mathcal{D}_{ij}^t + \mathcal{D}_{ij}^v} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 \overline{u'_i u'_j}}{\partial x_k^2} \underbrace{- \frac{1}{\rho} \overline{u'_j \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x_i}} - \frac{1}{\rho} \overline{u'_i \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x_j}}}_{\text{vel pgrad corr}} - \underbrace{2\nu \overline{\frac{\partial u'_i}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k}}}_{\varepsilon_{ij}}$$

Terms in **red** need to be modelled



# A more compact form of the uiuj equation

- A typical decomposition

$$\underbrace{-\frac{1}{\rho} \overline{u'_j \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x_i}} - \frac{1}{\rho} \overline{u'_i \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x_j}}}_{\text{vel pgrad corr}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho} \overline{p' \left( \frac{\partial u'_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_i} \right)}}_{\Pi_{ij}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial \overline{p' u'_j}}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial \overline{p' u'_i}}{\partial x_j} \right)}_{\mathcal{D}_{ij}^p}$$

and a typical model assumption

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon \delta_{ij},$$

allow the uiuj equation to be written as:

$$\boxed{\frac{D \overline{u'_i u'_j}}{Dt} = \mathcal{P}_{ij} + \mathcal{D}_{ij} + \Pi_{ij} - \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon \delta_{ij}}.$$

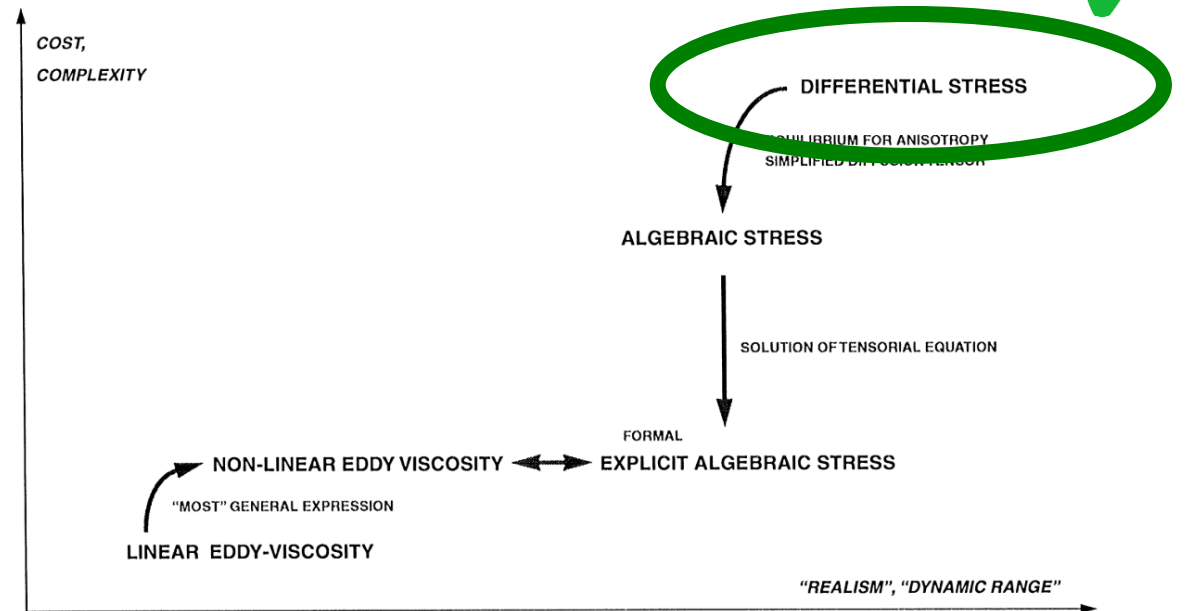
# Differential Reynolds stress models (DRSMs)

$$\frac{D\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{Dt} = \mathcal{P}_{ij} + \mathcal{D}_{ij} + \Pi_{ij} - \frac{2}{3}\varepsilon\delta_{ij}.$$

- 7 equations (6 for  $u_i u_j$  + 1 for  $\varepsilon$ )
- Need models for

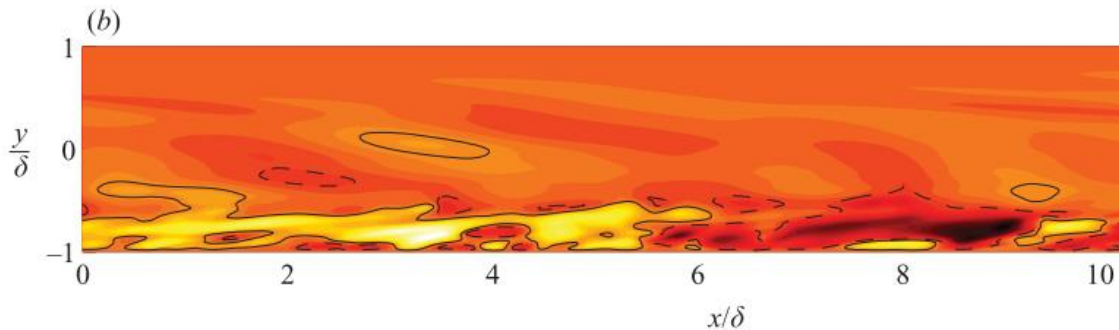
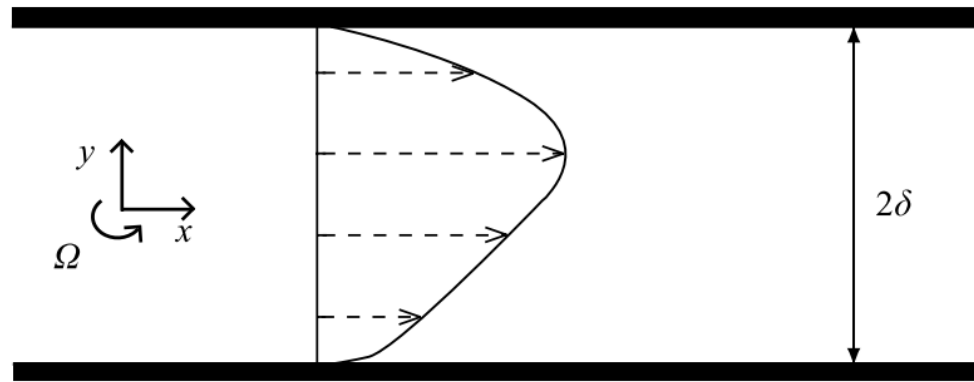
$$\Pi_{ij} \quad \mathcal{D}_{ij}^p \quad \mathcal{D}_{ij}^t$$

- Complicated, but possible. Two models (LRR and SSG) are available in OpenFOAM.



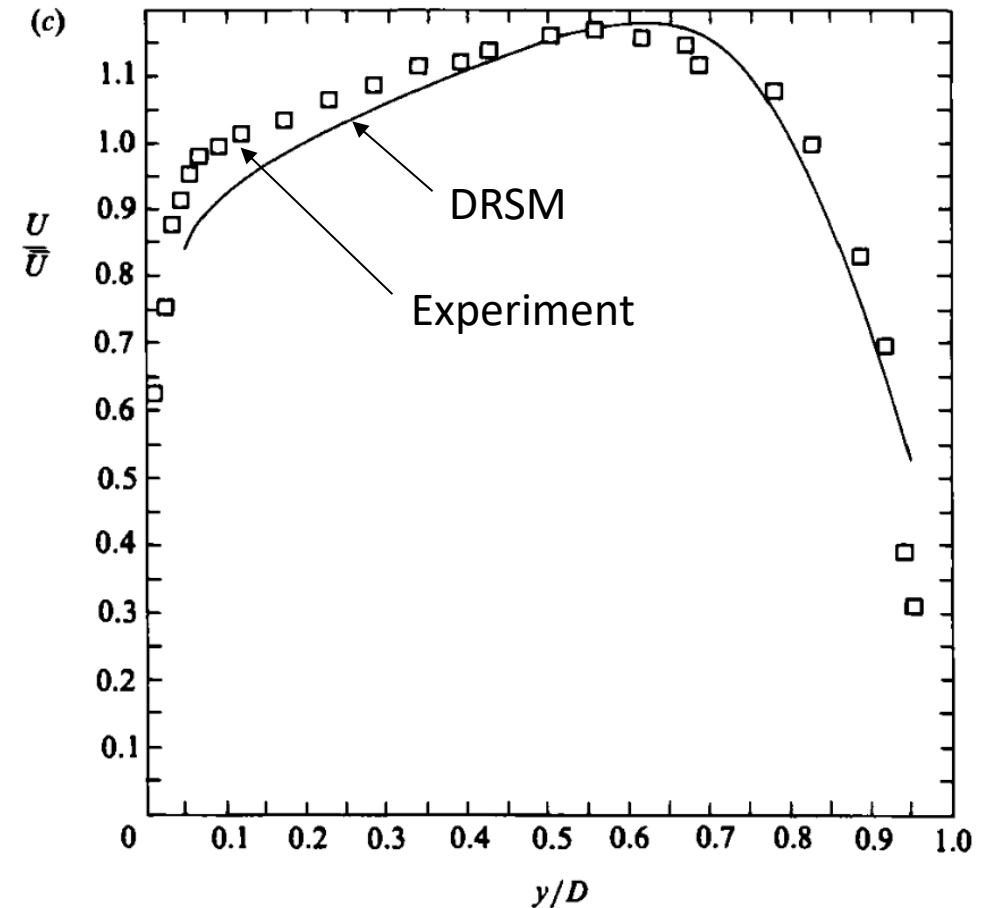
# Example 1: rotating channel flow

- Velocity profile is asymmetric

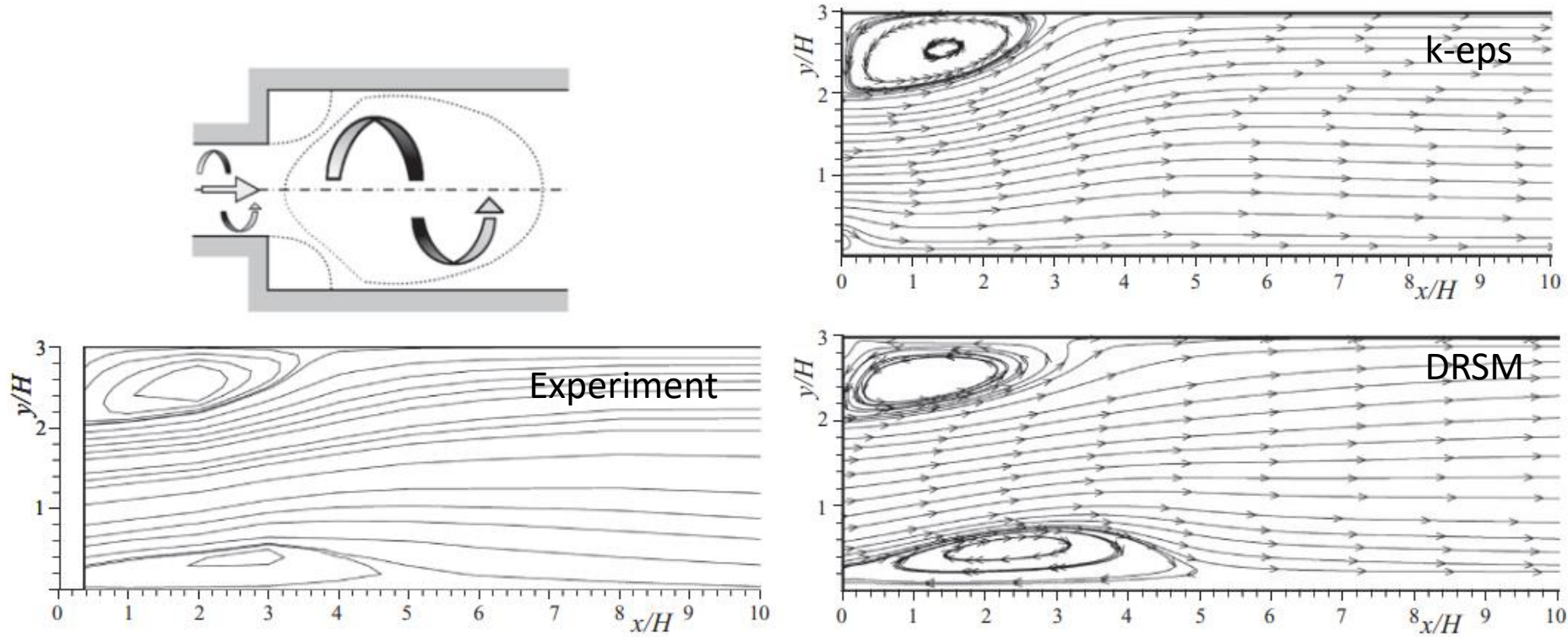


DNS from Grundenstam et al. (2008)

Launder et al. (1987)



## Example 2: swirling flow in an expanding pipe



Hanjalic & Launder (2011, p.81)

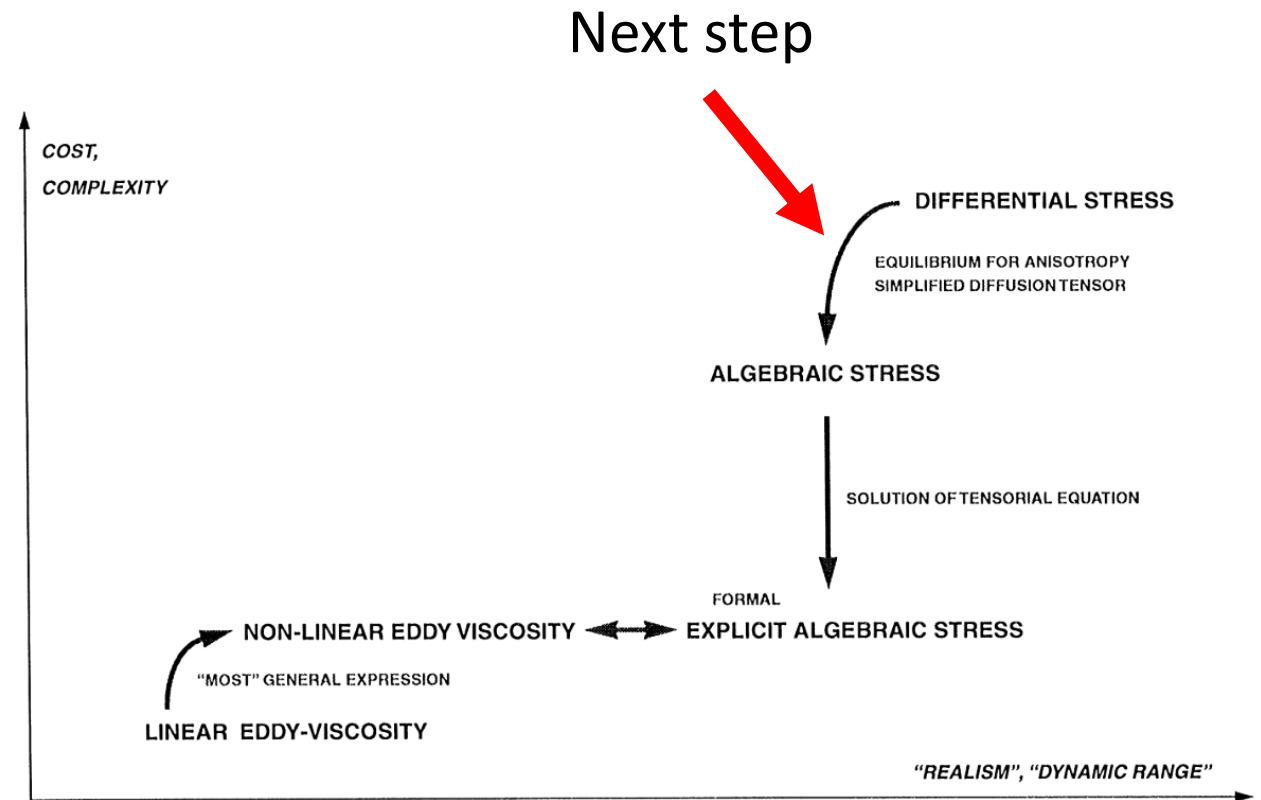
# From *differential* RSM to *algebraic* RSM (ARSM)

Disadvantages of DRSMs:

- Expensive (7 eqs)
- Difficult to implement
- Numerical robustness

Idea by Rodi (1972,1976):

*“Transform the DRSM equations into a set of algebraic equations.”*



$$\mathbf{a} = a_{ij} \equiv \frac{\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{k} - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij},$$

# Derivation of the ARSM equations 1/3

- Rewrite DRSM equations to

$$\frac{Da_{ij}}{Dt} = \frac{1}{k} \left( \mathcal{P}_{ij} + \Pi_{ij} + \mathcal{D}_{ij} - \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon \delta_{ij} - \left( \frac{\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{k} \right) (\mathcal{P} + \mathcal{D}^{(k)} - \varepsilon) \right)$$

and rearrange

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Da_{ij}}{Dt} - \underbrace{\left( \frac{\mathcal{D}_{ij}}{k} - \frac{\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{k^2} \mathcal{D}^{(k)} \right)}_{\mathcal{D}_{ij}^{(a)}} = \frac{1}{k} \left( \mathcal{P}_{ij} + \Pi_{ij} - \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon \delta_{ij} - \left( \frac{\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{k} \right) (\mathcal{P} - \varepsilon) \right)$$

“Weak-equilibrium assumption”

# Derivation of the ARSM equations 2/3

- The “weak-equilibrium assumption” gives an *algebraic* set of equations

$$0 = \mathcal{P}_{ij} + \Pi_{ij} - \frac{2}{3}\varepsilon\delta_{ij} - \left( \frac{\overline{u'_i u'_j}}{k} \right) (\mathcal{P} - \varepsilon)$$

and rewrite to

$$a_{ij} \left( \frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} - 1 \right) = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{ij}}{\varepsilon} + \frac{\Pi_{ij}}{\varepsilon} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} \delta_{ij}$$

# Derivation of the ARSM equations 3/3

$$a_{ij} \left( \frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} - 1 \right) = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{ij}}{\varepsilon} + \frac{\Pi_{ij}}{\varepsilon} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} \delta_{ij}$$

- Shear production definitions (exact)

$$\frac{\mathcal{P}_{ij}}{\varepsilon} = -a_{kj} (S_{ik} + \Omega_{ik}) - a_{ik} (S_{kj} - \Omega_{kj}) - \frac{4}{3} S_{ij} \qquad \frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} = -a_{ik} S_{ki}$$

- Launder-Reece-Rodi (LRR) pressure-strain model

$$\frac{\Pi_{ij}}{\varepsilon} = -c_1 a_{ij} + \frac{4}{5} S_{ij} + \frac{9c_2 + 6}{11} \left( a_{ik} S_{kj} + S_{ik} a_{kj} - \frac{2}{3} a_{km} S_{mk} \delta_{ij} \right) + \frac{7c_2 - 10}{11} (a_{ik} \Omega_{kj} - \Omega_{ik} a_{kj})$$



# LRR-ARSM

$$\left(\frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} - 1 + c_1\right) \mathbf{a} = -\frac{8}{15} \mathbf{S} + \frac{9c_2 - 5}{11} \left( \mathbf{aS} + \mathbf{Sa} - \frac{2}{3} \text{tr} \{ \mathbf{aS} \} \mathbf{I} \right) + \frac{7c_2 + 1}{11} (\mathbf{a}\boldsymbol{\Omega} - \boldsymbol{\Omega}\mathbf{a})$$

Simplification used by Taulbee (1992).  
DNS by Shih & Shabbir (1993) support it.

→ If  $c_2=5/9$



Simplified LRR-ARSM

$$\underbrace{\frac{9}{4} \left( \frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} - 1 + c_1 \right)}_N \mathbf{a} = -\frac{6}{5} \mathbf{S} + (\mathbf{a}\boldsymbol{\Omega} - \boldsymbol{\Omega}\mathbf{a})$$

# Simplified LRR-ARSM

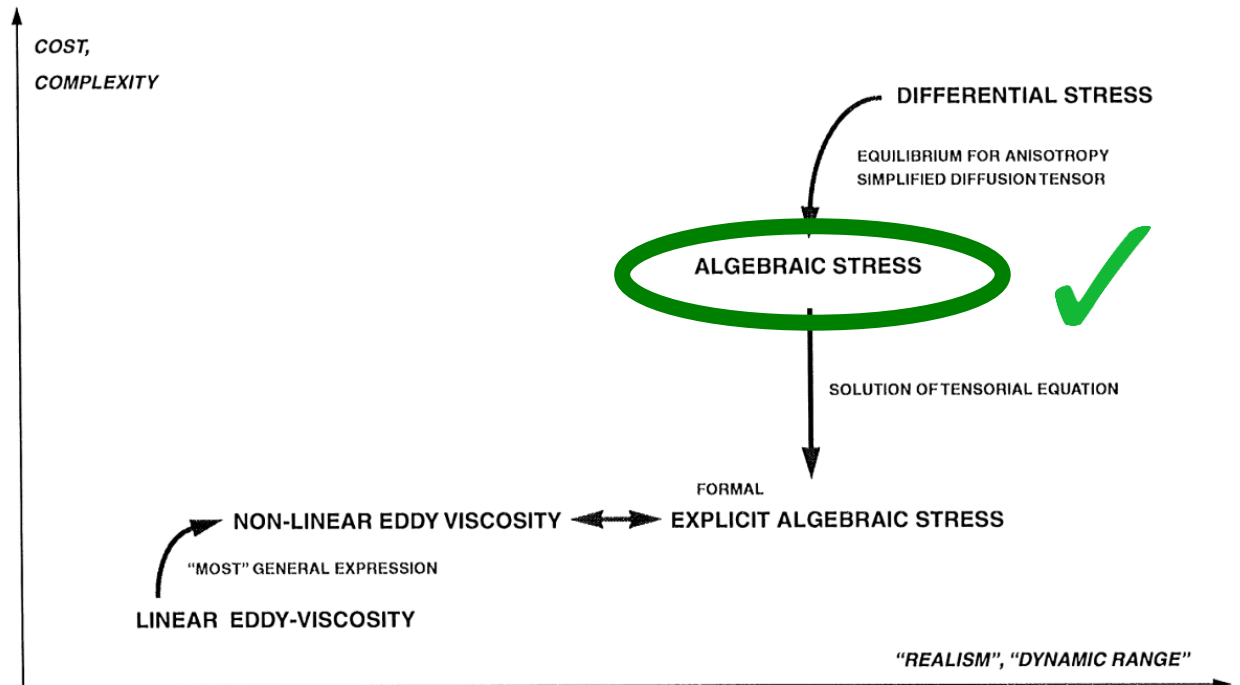
$$N\mathbf{a} = -\frac{6}{5}\mathbf{S} + (\mathbf{a}\Omega - \Omega\mathbf{a})$$

Only assumptions:

- Isotropic dissipation
- Weak-equilibrium assumption
- The LRR pressure-strain model with  $c_2=5/9$

Problems:

1. Implicit equation for  $\mathbf{a}$
2. Non-linear in  $\mathbf{a}$



# From *algebraic* RSM to *explicit algebraic* RSM

*J. Fluid Mech.* (1975), vol. 72, part 2, pp. 331–340

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## A more general effective-viscosity hypothesis

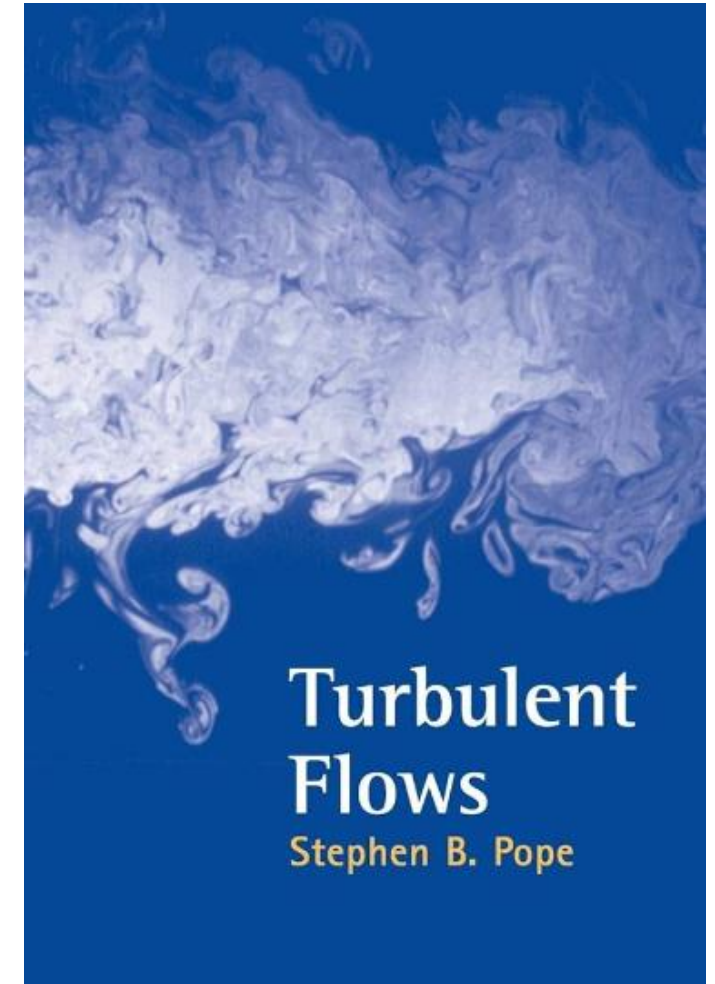
By S. B. POPE

Idea of Pope (1975):

1. Expand anisotropy tensor
2. Insert expansion in ARSM and simplify
3. Solve for expansion coefficients

In the mid-90s:

(Optional 4.) Ensure self-consistency



# Step 1: anisotropy expansion

$$a_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \beta_l T_{ij}^{(l)}$$

The anisotropy tensor must be:

- Dimensionless
- Galilean invariant
- Symmetric
- Traceless

..and so must the basis tensors too.

Basis candidates	Sym.	Tr. less
$\mathbf{S}$	✓	✓
$\mathbf{\Omega}$	✗	✓
$\mathbf{S}^2$	✓	✗
$\mathbf{S}^2 - \frac{1}{3}\text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^2\}\mathbf{I}$	✓	✓
$\mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Omega}$	✗	✓
$\mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Omega} - \mathbf{\Omega}\mathbf{S}$	✓	✓

A complete tensor basis for statistically two-dimensional flows:

$$\mathbf{a} = \beta_1 \underbrace{\mathbf{S}}_{\mathbf{T}^{(1)}} + \beta_2 \underbrace{\left( \mathbf{S}^2 - \frac{1}{3}\text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^2\} \right)}_{\mathbf{T}^{(2)}} + \beta_4 \underbrace{(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Omega} - \mathbf{\Omega}\mathbf{S})}_{\mathbf{T}^{(4)}}$$

## Step 2: insert and simplify

$$N\mathbf{a} = -\frac{6}{5}\mathbf{S} + (\mathbf{a}\mathbf{\Omega} - \mathbf{\Omega}\mathbf{a})$$

Insert expansion of  $\mathbf{a}$  (trivial)

$$N\left(\beta_1\mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \beta_2\mathbf{T}^{(2)} + \beta_4\mathbf{T}^{(4)}\right) = -\frac{6}{5}\mathbf{S} + \left(\beta_1\mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \beta_2\mathbf{T}^{(2)} + \beta_4\mathbf{T}^{(4)}\right)\mathbf{\Omega} - \mathbf{\Omega}\left(\beta_1\mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \beta_2\mathbf{T}^{(2)} + \beta_4\mathbf{T}^{(4)}\right)$$

Simplify RHS (non-trivial)

$$N\left(\beta_1\mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \beta_2\mathbf{T}^{(2)} + \beta_4\mathbf{T}^{(4)}\right) = \left(-\frac{6}{5} + 2\beta_4II_{\Omega}\right)\mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \beta_1\mathbf{T}^{(4)}$$

## Step 3: finding the coefficients

$$N \left( \beta_1 \mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \beta_2 \mathbf{T}^{(2)} + \beta_4 \mathbf{T}^{(4)} \right) = \left( -\frac{6}{5} + 2\beta_4 II_{\Omega} \right) \mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \beta_1 \mathbf{T}^{(4)}$$

Equate coefficients

$$N\beta_1 = \left( -\frac{6}{5} + 2\beta_4 II_{\Omega} \right),$$

$$N\beta_2 = 0,$$

$$N\beta_4 = \beta_1,$$

Assume  $N$  is known  
and solve the 3x3  
system of equations

$$\beta_1 = -\frac{6}{5} \frac{N}{N^2 - 2II_{\Omega}},$$

$$\beta_2 = 0,$$

$$\beta_4 = -\frac{6}{5} \frac{1}{N^2 - 2II_{\Omega}}.$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \underbrace{-\frac{6}{5} \frac{N}{N^2 - 2II_{\Omega}}}_{\beta_1} \mathbf{T}^{(1)} - \underbrace{\frac{6}{5} \frac{1}{N^2 - 2II_{\Omega}}}_{\beta_4} \mathbf{T}^{(4)}$$

## Step 4: self-consistency (1/2)

$$\mathbf{a} = \underbrace{-\frac{6}{5} \frac{N}{N^2 - 2II_{\Omega}}}_{\beta_1} \mathbf{T}^{(1)} - \underbrace{\frac{6}{5} \frac{1}{N^2 - 2II_{\Omega}}}_{\beta_4} \mathbf{T}^{(4)}$$

- “Self-consistency” = No approximations from ARSM to EARSIM.
- We need a  $N$ , such that the above equation satisfies the simplified ARSM.

$$\begin{aligned} N &\equiv \frac{9}{4} \left( \frac{\mathcal{P}}{\varepsilon} - 1 + c_1 \right) \\ &= \frac{9}{4} (-\text{tr}\{\mathbf{a}\mathbf{S}\} - 1 + c_1) \\ &= \frac{9}{4} (c_1 - 1) + \frac{27}{10} \frac{NII_S}{N^2 - 2II_{\Omega}} \end{aligned}$$

→ A cubic polynomial for  $N$

## Step 4: self-consistency (2/2)

Johansson & Wallin (1996): the real and positive root is

$$N = \begin{cases} \frac{c'_1}{3} + (P_1 + \sqrt{P_2})^{1/3} + \text{sign}(P_1 - \sqrt{P_2}) |P_1 - \sqrt{P_2}|^{1/3}, & P_2 \geq 0 \\ \frac{c'_1}{3} + 2(P_1^2 - P_2)^{1/6} + \cos\left(\frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{P_1}{\sqrt{P_1^2 - P_2}}\right)\right), & P_2 < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$P_1 = \left( \frac{1}{27} c_1'^2 + \frac{9}{20} II_S - \frac{2}{3} II_\Omega \right) c'_1,$$

$$P_2 = P_1^2 - \left( \frac{1}{9} c_1'^2 + \frac{9}{10} II_S + \frac{2}{3} II_\Omega \right)^3.$$



# Summary of the model

- The 2D EARS model of Wallin & Johansson (2000) with  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  platform.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} = \underbrace{-\overline{u'_i u'_j} \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j}}_{\mathcal{P}} - \varepsilon + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_k} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right)}_{\mathcal{D}^{(k)}},$$

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial x_j} = (C_{\varepsilon 1} \mathcal{P} - C_{\varepsilon 2} \varepsilon) \frac{\varepsilon}{k} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_\varepsilon} \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial x_j} \right)}_{\mathcal{D}^{(\varepsilon)}}.$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \mathbf{S} = S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right),$$

$$\mathbf{\Omega} = \Omega_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k}{\varepsilon} \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right),$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{aligned} II_S &= S_{ij} S_{ji} & \mathbf{T}^{(1)} &= \mathbf{S} \\ II_\Omega &= \Omega_{ij} \Omega_{ji} & \mathbf{T}^{(4)} &= \mathbf{S} \mathbf{\Omega} - \mathbf{\Omega} \mathbf{S} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \begin{aligned} P_1 &= \left( \frac{1}{27} c_1'^2 + \frac{9}{20} II_S - \frac{2}{3} II_\Omega \right) c_1', \\ P_2 &= P_1^2 - \left( \frac{1}{9} c_1'^2 + \frac{9}{10} II_S + \frac{2}{3} II_\Omega \right)^3. \end{aligned}$$

$$N = \begin{cases} \frac{c_1'}{3} + (P_1 + \sqrt{P_2})^{1/3} + \text{sign}(P_1 - \sqrt{P_2}) |P_1 - \sqrt{P_2}|^{1/3}, & P_2 \geq 0 \\ \frac{c_1'}{3} + 2(P_1^2 - P_2)^{1/6} + \cos \left( \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{P_1}{\sqrt{P_1^2 - P_2}} \right) \right), & P_2 < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \beta_1 = -\frac{6}{5} \frac{N}{N^2 - 2II_\Omega}, \quad \beta_4 = -\frac{6}{5} \frac{1}{N^2 - 2II_\Omega}.$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad a_{ij} = \beta_1 T_{ij}^{(1)} + \beta_4 T_{ij}^{(4)}$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad \overline{u'_i u'_j} = k a_{ij} + \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij}$$



## Application of EARS models

# Implementation

- Easy to implement in a code, which already has a two-equation model implemented.
- Trick: split the anisotropy tensor

$$a_{ij} = -2 \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \beta_1}_{C_\mu^{(\text{eff})}} S_{ij} + \underbrace{\beta_4 (S_{ij} \Omega_{ij} - \Omega_{ij} S_{ij})}_{a_{ij}^{(\text{ex})}}$$

- In the mom'm eq:

$$-\frac{\partial \overline{u'_i u'_j}}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{\partial \left( a_{ij} k + \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij} \right)}{\partial x_j} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial 2 C_\mu^{\text{eff}} k S_{ij}}{\partial x_j}}_{\text{Treat implicit}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial a_{ij}^{(\text{ex})} k}{\partial x_j}}_{\text{Treat explicit}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial \frac{2}{3} k \delta_{ij}}{\partial x_j}}_{\text{Absorb into pressure}}.$$

Only new term

- Remember to change shear production in transport equations

~~$$\mathcal{P} = \nu_t \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j}$$~~

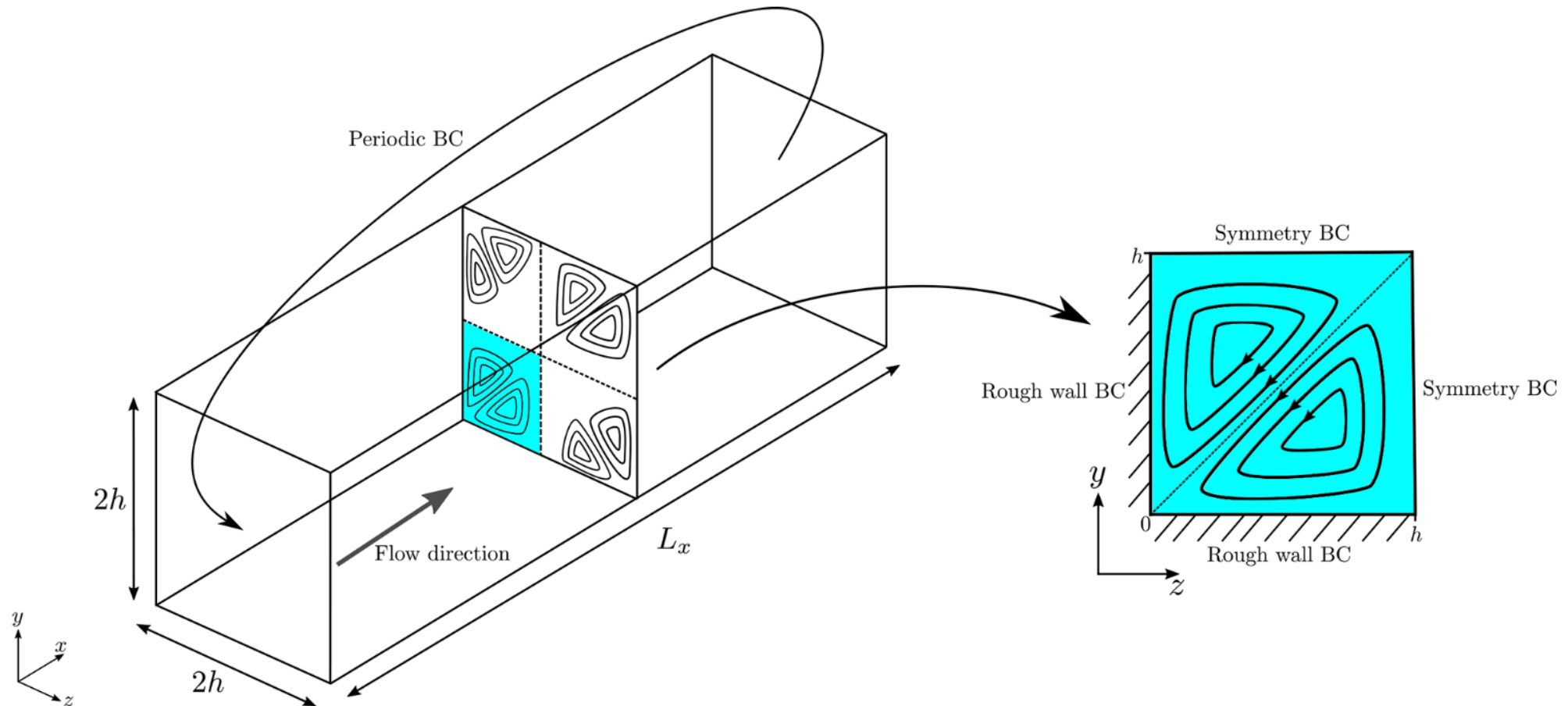
$$\mathcal{P} = -\varepsilon a_{ik} S_{ki}. \quad \checkmark$$

# Codes with the WJ-EARS model

- [Maple/FORTRAN 1D code](#) (KTH)
- Python 1D code (KTH)
- [Edge](#) (FOI/KTH)
- [FINFLO](#) (Helsinki University)
- [TAU](#) (DLR)
- [EllipSys1D and EllipSys3D](#) (DTU)
- Ansys CFX ([manual](#))
- OpenFOAM user model ([implemented for OF1.7.x](#))
- ...

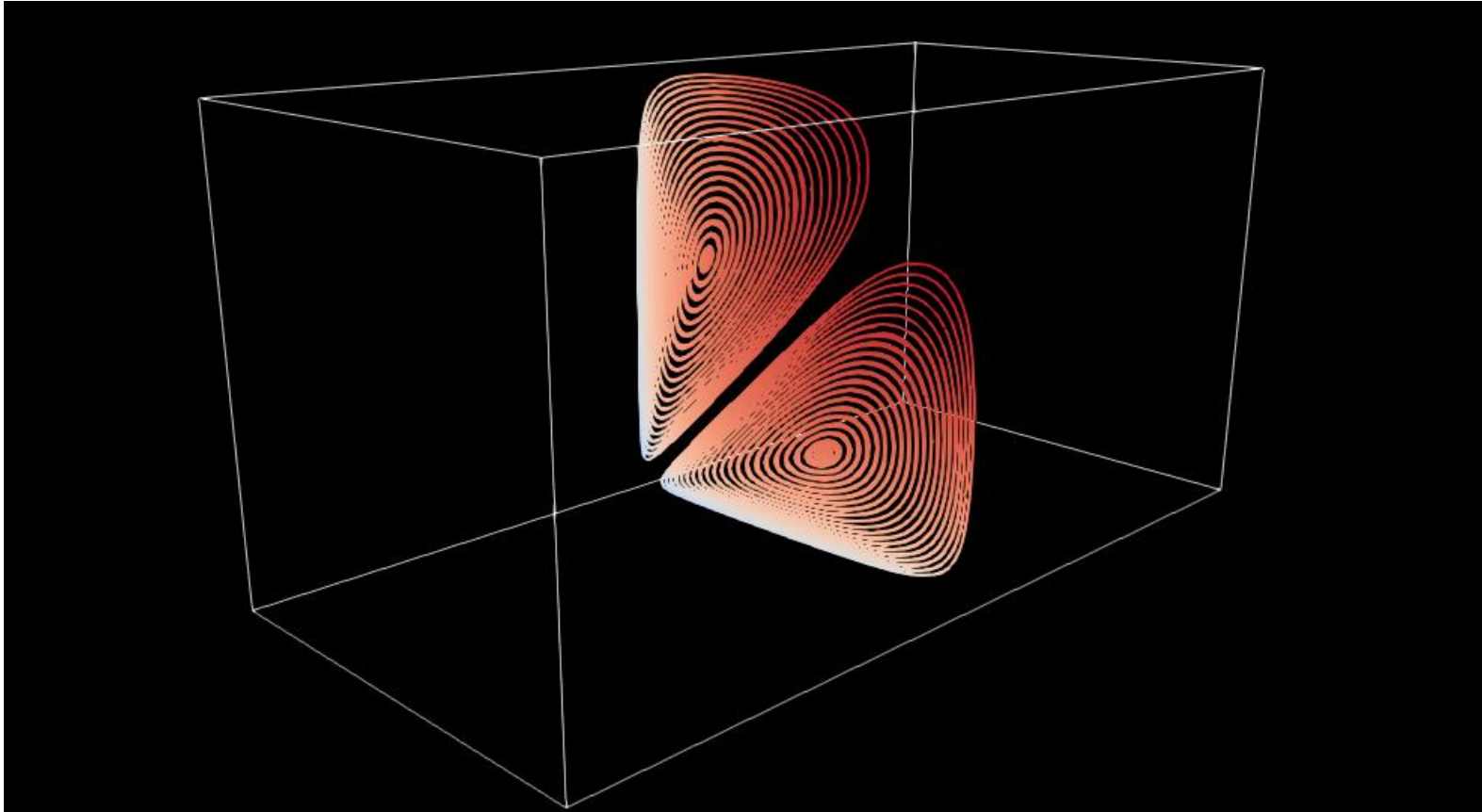
# Square duct flow (1/3)

- Secondary flow in corners

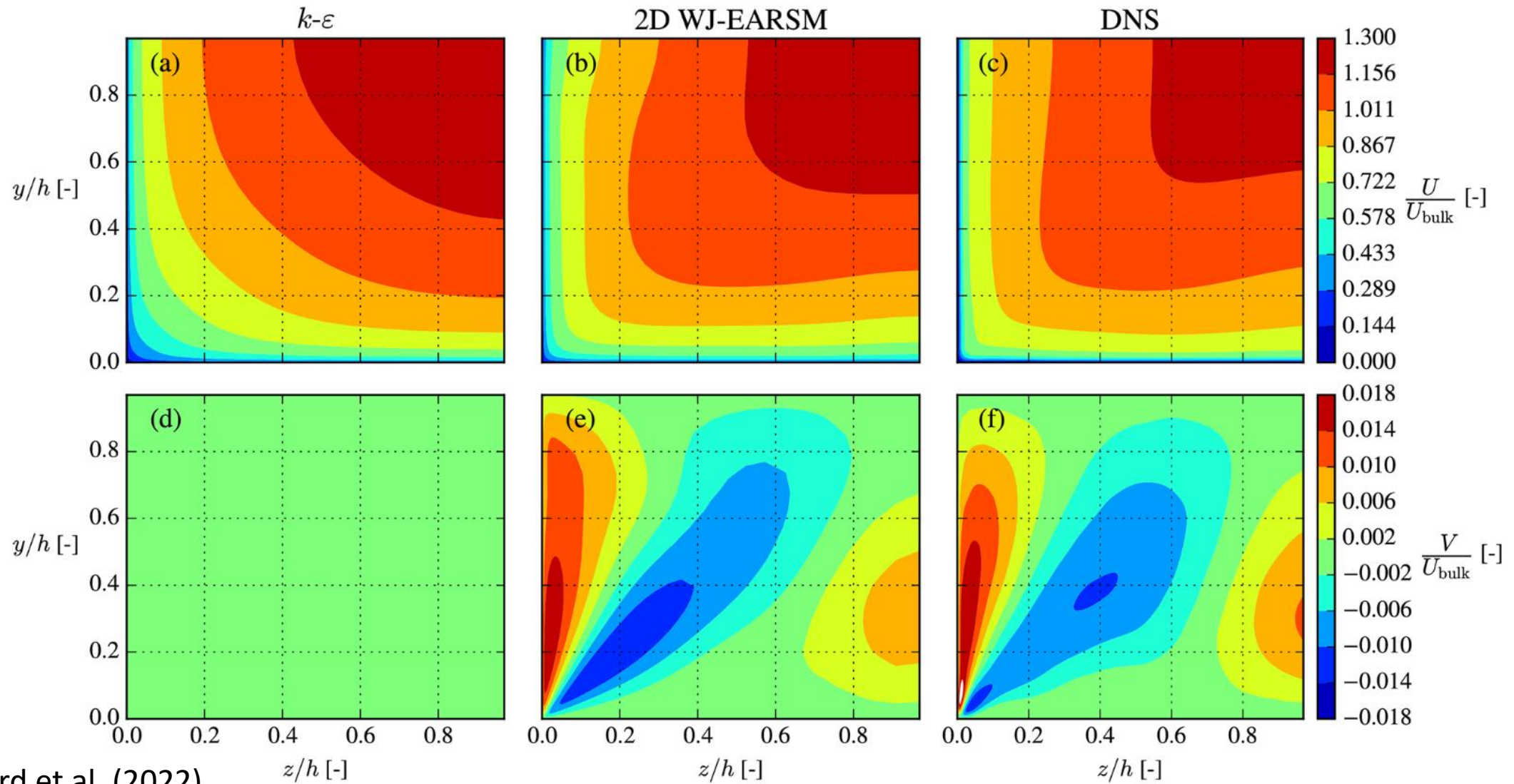


# Square duct flow (2/3)

- Simulation of lower left quadrant in EllipSys3D with WJ-EARS model



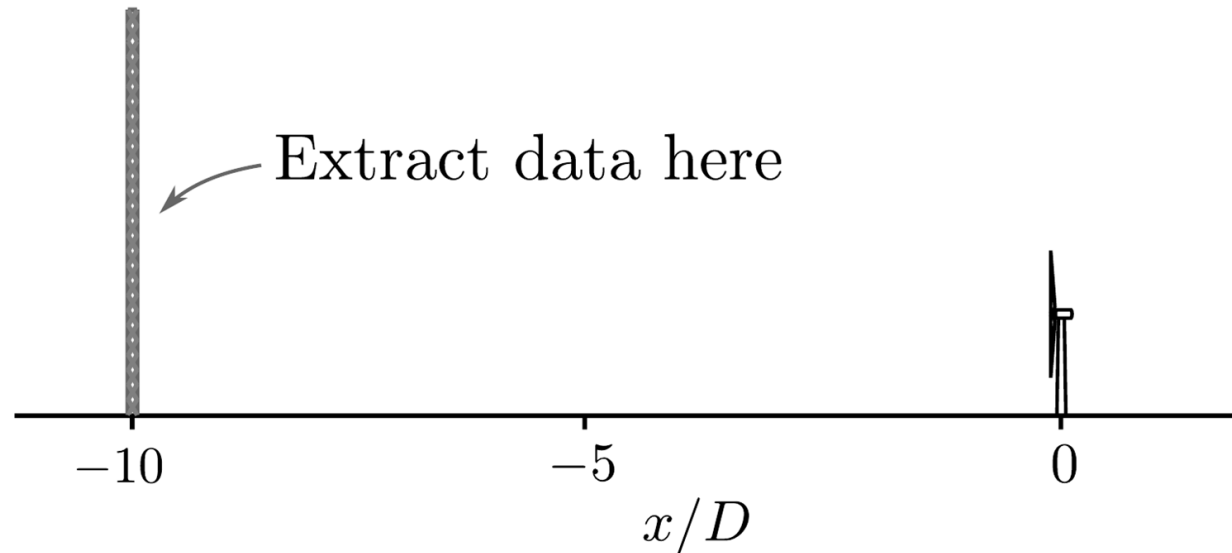
# Square duct flow (3/3)



# A neutral ABL (1/2)

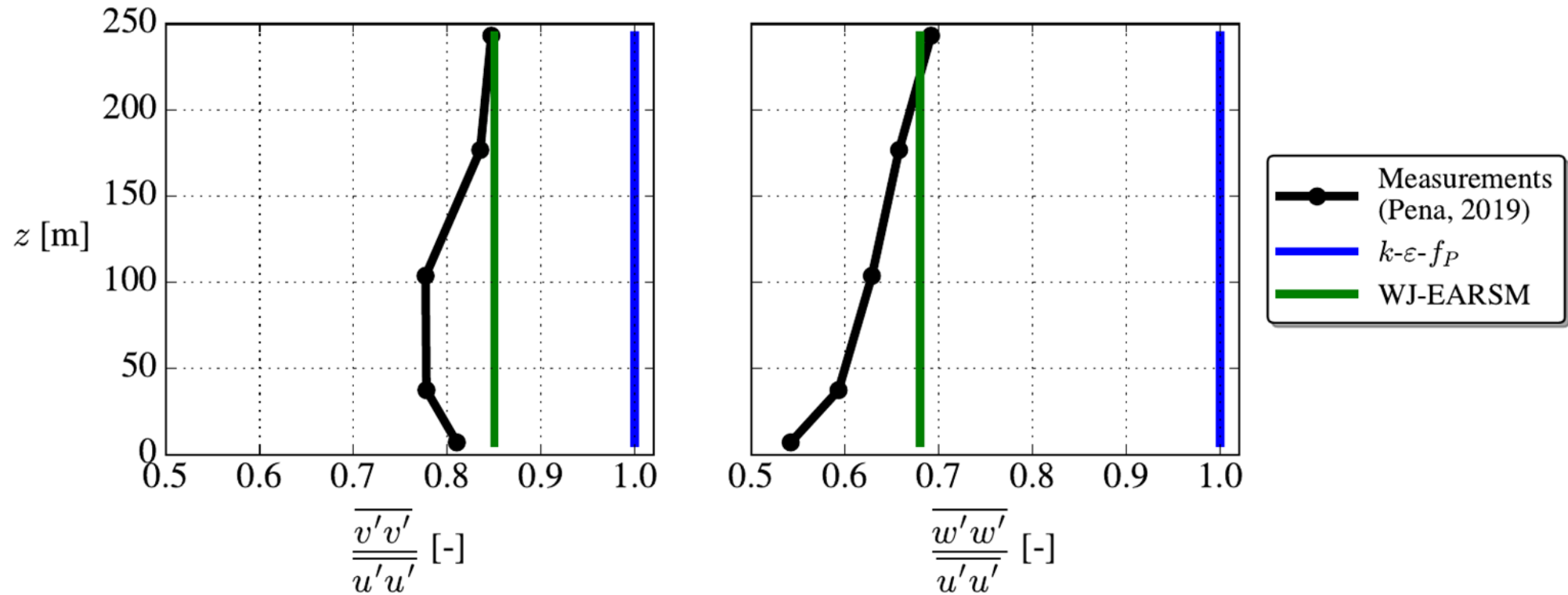
$$k \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\overline{u'u'} + \overline{v'v'} + \overline{w'w'})$$

*What is the distribution of TKE among its components in the neutral atmospheric boundary layer (ABL)?*





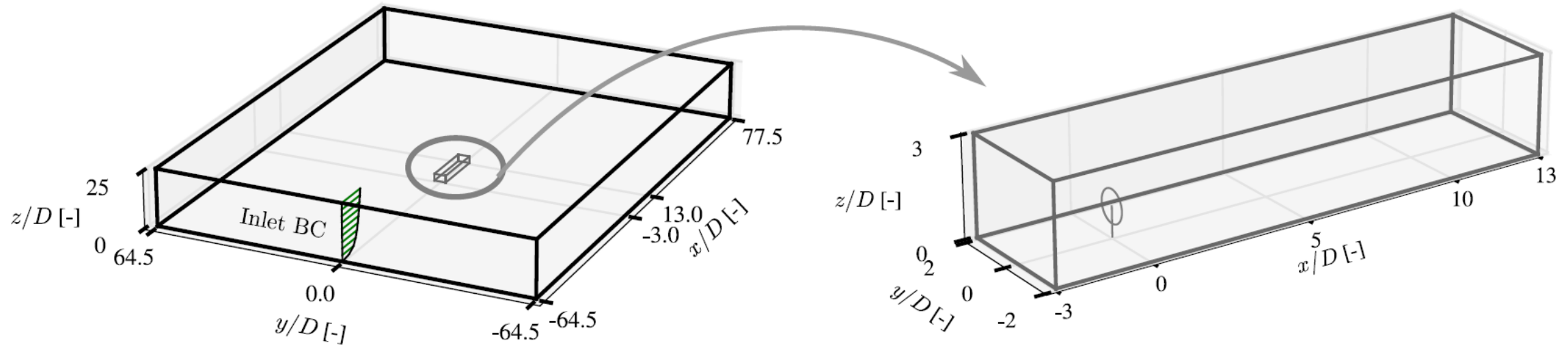
# A neutral ABL (2/2)



In the ABL,  $\overline{u'u'} > \overline{v'v'} > \overline{w'w'}$

Impossible to capture with linear EVMs!

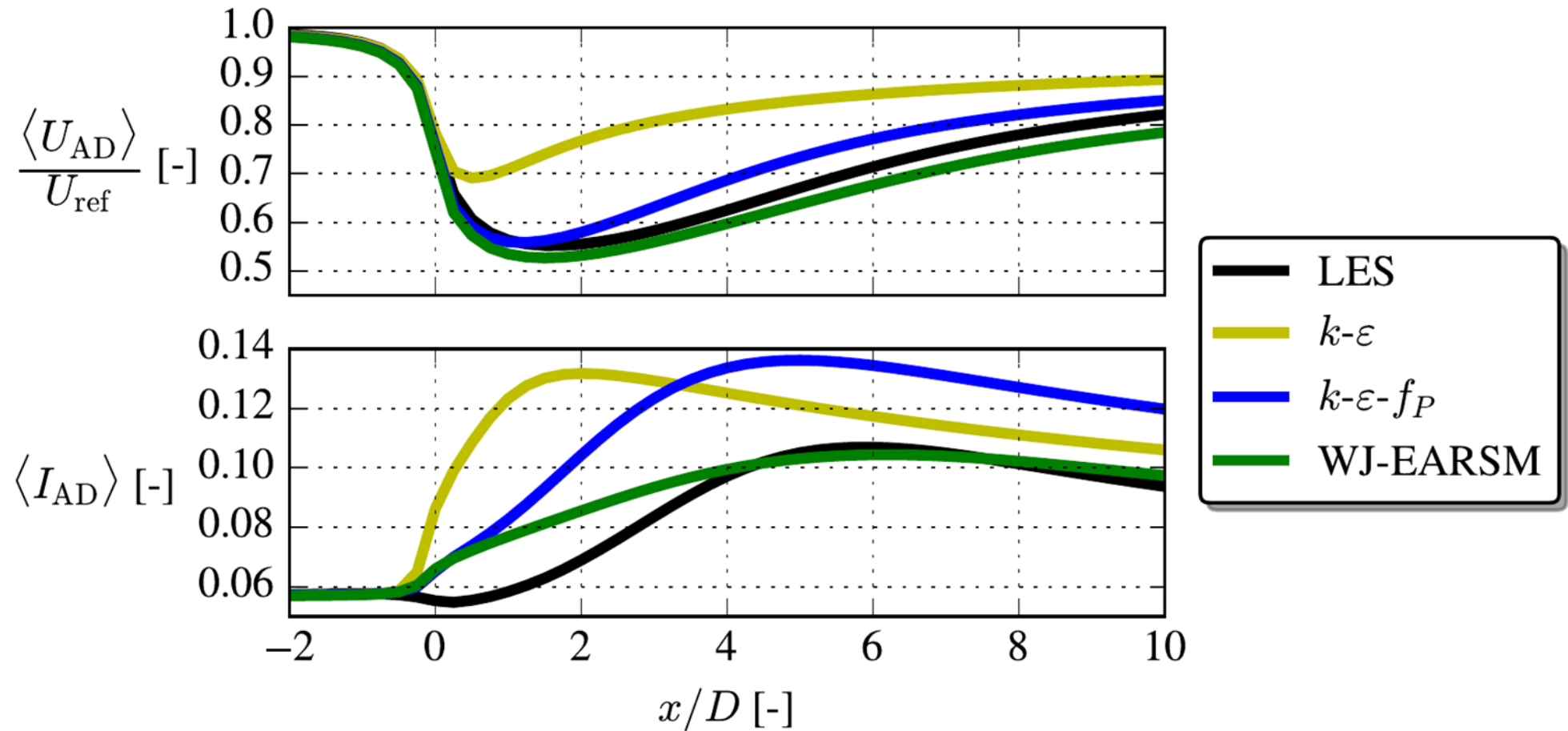
# A neutral ABL + a wind turbine (1/4)



- EllipSys3D code
- V80 turbine modelled as AD
- Grid stretching to avoid excessive amount of cells

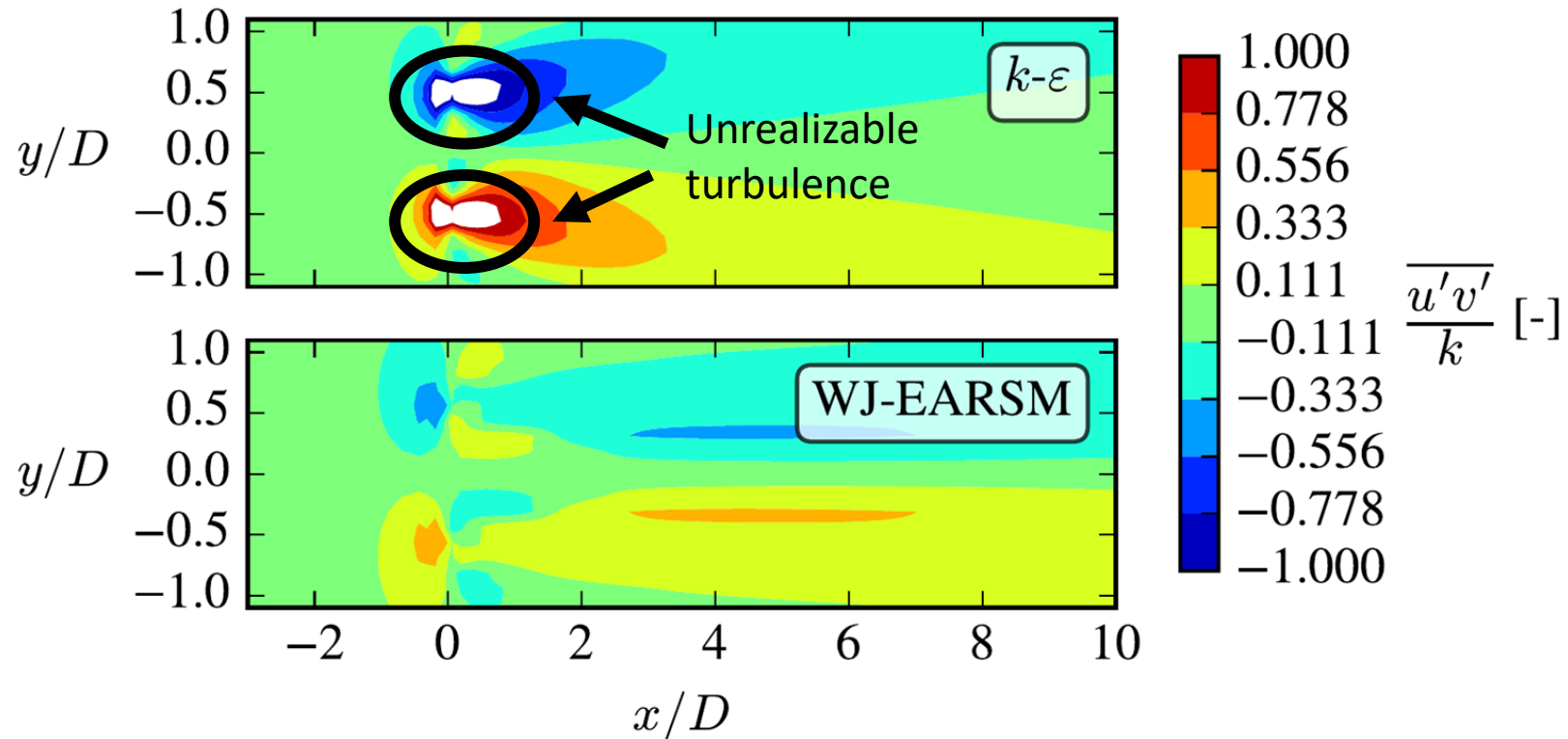
# A neutral ABL + a wind turbine (2/4)

- Comparison of disk-averaged quantities with LES data



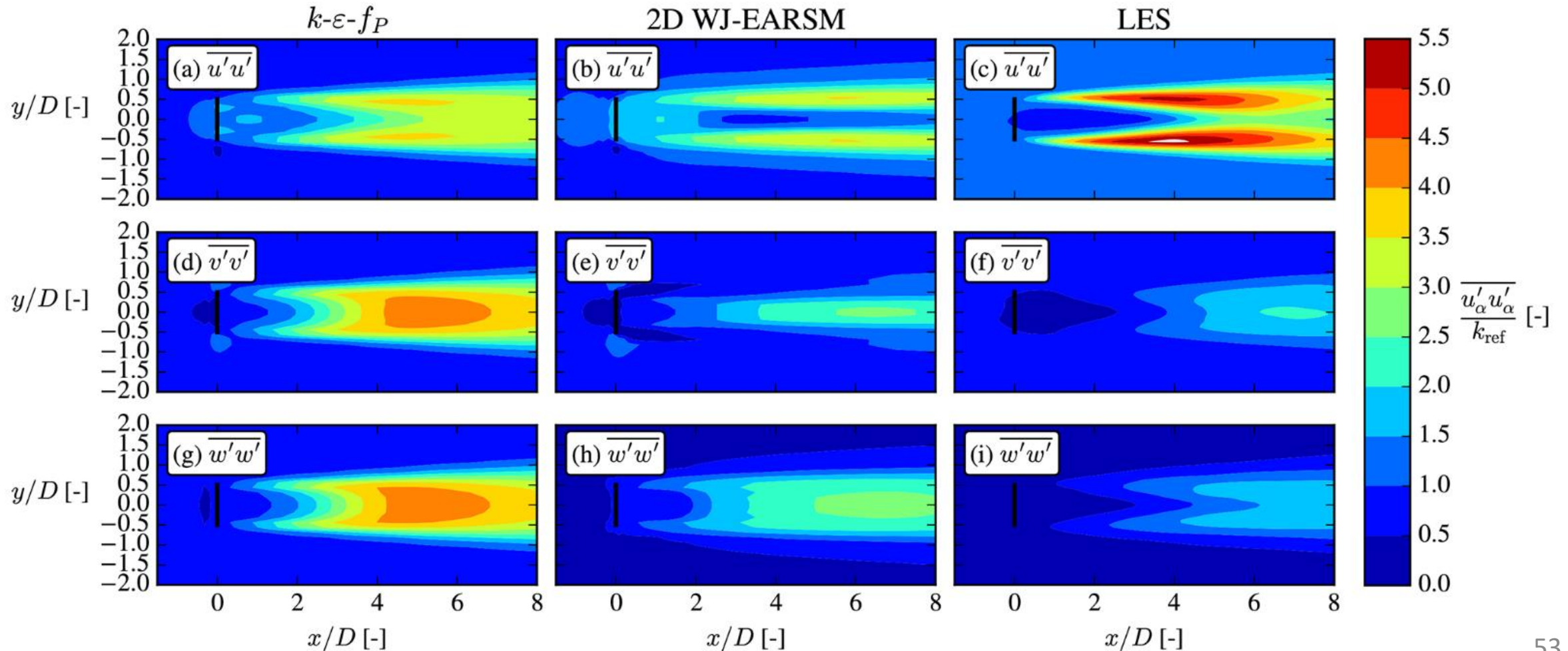
# A neutral ABL + a wind turbine (3/4)

- Why does  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  overpredict wake recovery?  
*Because shear stress is overpredicted.*



# A neutral ABL + a wind turbine (4/4)

- Linear EVM ( $k\text{-}\varepsilon\text{-}f_P$ ) has too isotropic wake turbulence



# Summary



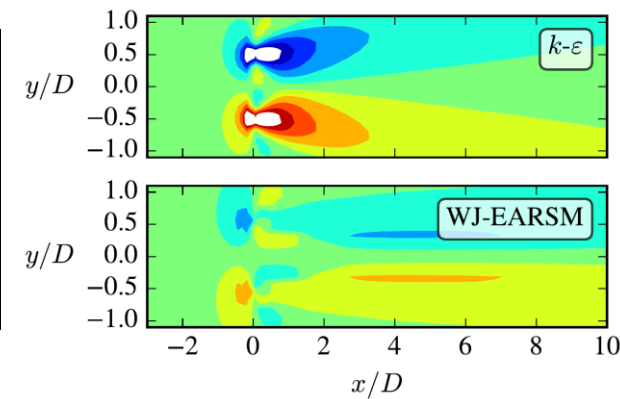
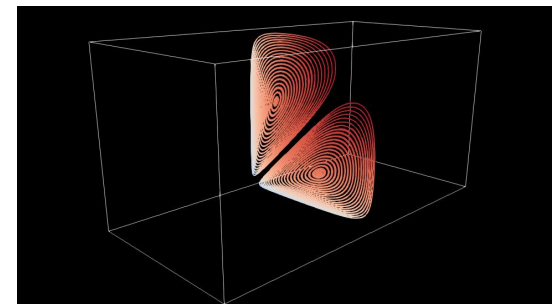
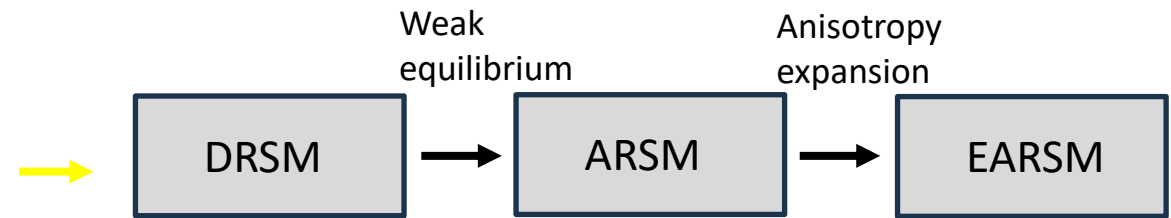
Linear eddy-viscosity  
models (EVMs)

$$a_{ij} = -2C_{\mu}^{(\text{eff})} S_{ij}$$

Theory of EARS models

Applications of  
EARS models

	Linear EVM	WJ-EARSM
Anisotropic freestream turbulence	✗	✓
Secondary flows	✗	✓
Counter-gradient heat fluxes	✗	✓
Realizable turbulence	Some	✓
Sensitive to rotation	Very few	✓



# Takeaways

## What is an EARS model?

- A turbulence model derived directly from the Reynolds stress equations.
- Does not rely on the Boussinesq hypothesis!

## Why use an EARS model?

- Relatively easy to implement.
- Only slightly more computationally expensive than linear EVMs.
- Automatically includes more physics than linear EVMs.
- More numerically robust than DRSMs.

# The end

A good introduction (4 pages):

## A new explicit algebraic Reynolds stress model

Authors Arne V Johansson, Stefan Wallin

Publication date 1996/7/2

Book Advances in Turbulence VI: Proceedings of the Sixth European Turbulence Conference, held in Lausanne, Switzerland, 2–5 July 1996

[https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-94-009-0297-8\\_8](https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-94-009-0297-8_8)

Some things are easier to discuss at a blackboard!  
We can talk more about EARS models:

Wednesday 7 Aug @ 15.00  
@ Lecture room 7

[https://mchba.github.io/240731\\_intro\\_to\\_earsm.pdf](https://mchba.github.io/240731_intro_to_earsm.pdf)

Slides are here! →







Extra slides

# Realisability: limits of the anisotropy tensor

Rule 1                      Rule 2

$$-\frac{2}{3} \leq a_{\alpha\alpha} \leq \frac{4}{3},$$
$$-1 \leq a_{\alpha\beta} \leq 1.$$

Rule 3                      Rule 4

*Greek indices imply that there is no summation over repeated indices!*

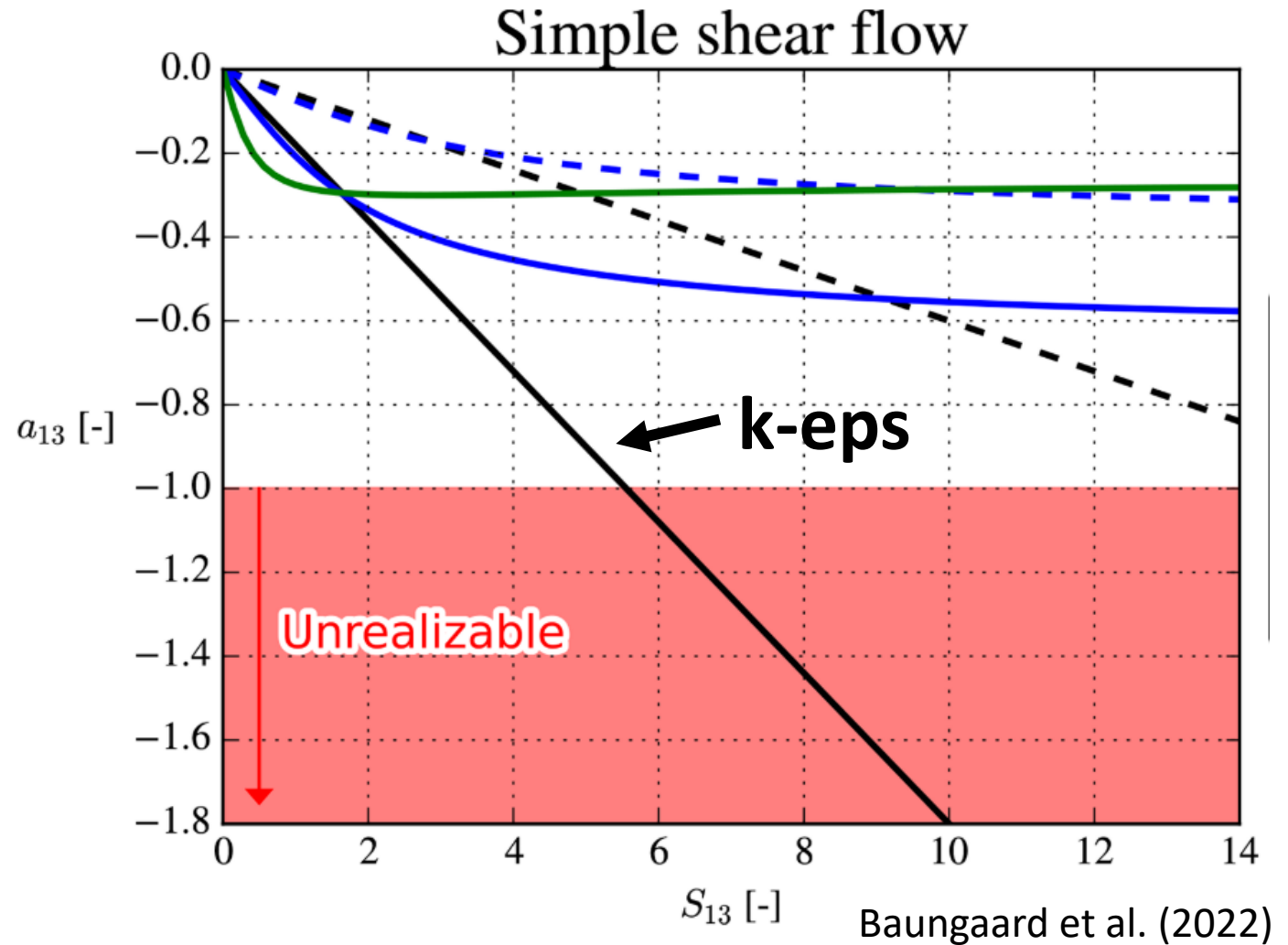
- Rule 1: Each normal stress must be positive.
- Rule 2: From the definition of TKE.
- Rule 3: Each shear stress must satisfy the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.
- Rule 4: Comes from rule 2.

# k-eps can give unrealizable turbulence

Example: simple shear flow

$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{simple}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & S_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ S_{13} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

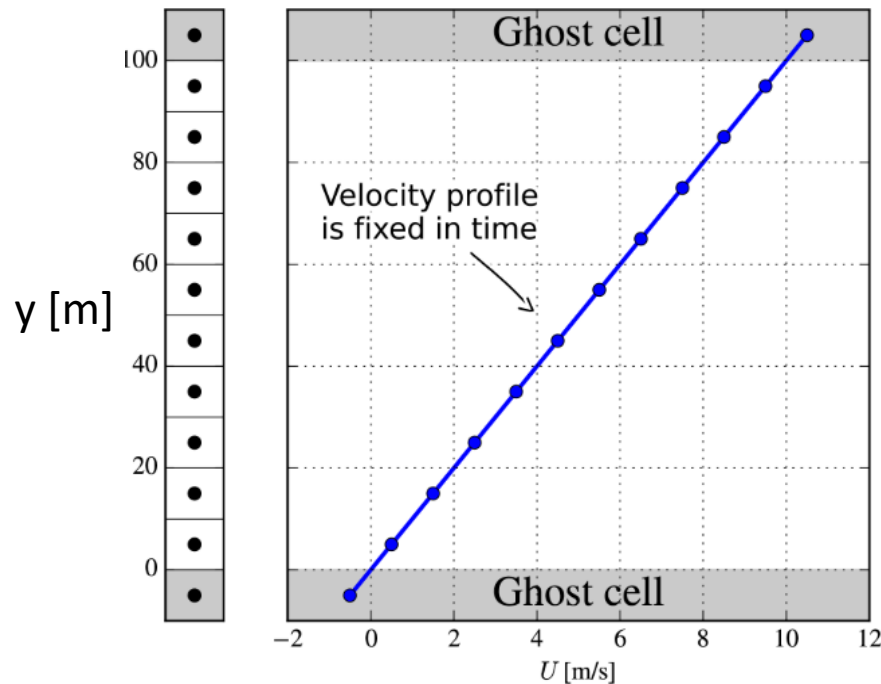
$$\mathbf{a}_{k-\varepsilon} = -2C_\mu \mathbf{S}_{\text{simple}}$$



# Rotating homogeneous shear flow

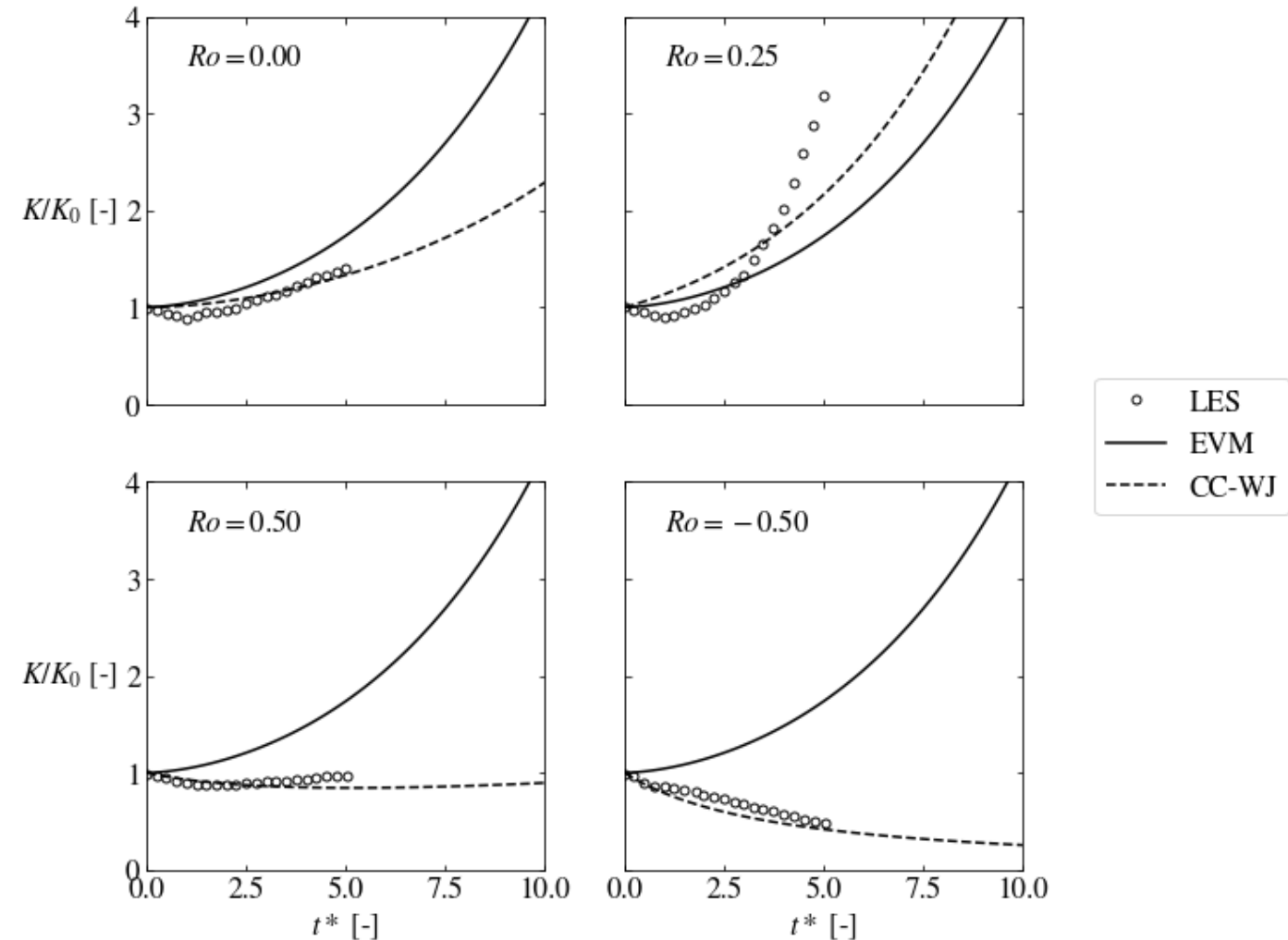
- A simple first testcase

Setup in rotating frame of reference:

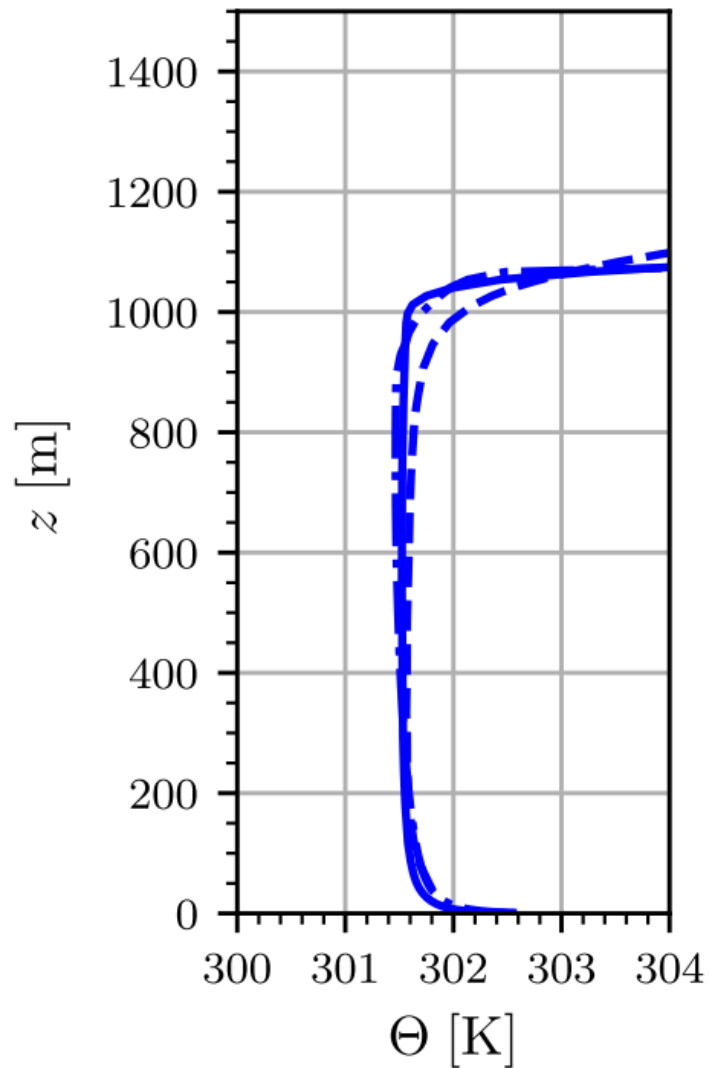


Rotation number:

$$Ro \equiv \omega_z^{(r)} / (dU/dy)$$



# A convective ABL



Linear EVM:

$$\overline{u'_i \theta} = -\frac{\nu_t}{Pr_t} \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x_i}$$

EARSM:

$$\overline{u'_i \theta} = -\frac{\nu_t^{(\text{eff})}}{Pr_t^{(\text{eff})}} \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x_i} + \Phi_i$$

Zeli et al. (2021)

