

Visualisation of the topology and dynamics of flow structures in wall-bounded turbulent flows [1,2]. Presented is an isosurface derived from the discriminant of the velocity gradient tensor (Da), with the resulting visualisation enabling the characterisation of complex vortical motions in turbulent flows. The turbulent flow exhibits a variety of archand cane-like vortex structures that evolve in time and space. The colour represents the distance of these structures from the wall.

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