

We identify the total shear stress  $\tau$  as

$$\tau = \underbrace{\mu \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y}}_{\text{viscous stress}} - \underbrace{\rho \overline{u'v'}}_{\text{Reynolds' stress}}, \quad (1)$$

where  $y$  is distance from the wall,  $\mu$  dynamic viscosity ( $\nu = \mu/\rho$ ) and  $\rho$  is density. Next, observe that the amplitude of motion due to oscillation of an infinite plate decays as  $\exp[-y/A]$ . Hence, we use for the damping of fluid oscillation due to a fixed wall, the model

$$1 - e^{-\tilde{y}}, \quad (2)$$

where  $\tilde{y} = y/A$ . Now, we express the stress, according to Prandtl

$$\frac{\tau}{\rho} = \nu \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y} + r \sqrt{u'^2} \sqrt{v'^2} \quad (3a)$$

$$= \nu \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y} + r l_1 l_2 \left( \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad (3b)$$

$$= \nu \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y} + \kappa^2 y^2 \left( \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y} \right)^2, \quad (3c)$$

where  $\kappa$  is the von-Kármán constant and  $l$  Prandtl's mixing length. This model is well-known to hold appropriately in fully developed turbulent flow.

Near a wall, however, the turbulence is not fully developed, but damped by the presence of that very wall such that the prefactor  $1 - e^{-\tilde{y}}$  can be taken into account in Reynolds' stress term:

$$\frac{\tau}{\rho} = \nu \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y} + \kappa^2 l^2 (1 - e^{-\tilde{y}})^2 \left( \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad (4)$$

Non-dimensionalize Eq. (4) using  $u_\star = \sqrt{\tau_{\text{wall}}/\rho}$  and the wall unit  $y_+ = y/\sqrt{\tau_{\text{wall}}/\rho}$ :

$$\tau^+ \left( = \frac{\tau}{\tau_{\text{wall}}} \right) = \frac{\partial u^+}{\partial y^+} + \kappa^2 y^{+2} \left( 1 - e^{-\tilde{y}^+} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\partial u^+}{\partial y^+} \right)^2 \quad (5)$$

In the constant-flux layer, it is  $\tau = \tau_{\text{Wall}}$ , such that

$$0 = \frac{\partial u^+}{\partial y^+} + \kappa^2 y^{+2} \left( 1 - e^{-\tilde{y}^+} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\partial u^+}{\partial y^+} \right)^2 - 1 \quad (6)$$

$$0 = \left( \frac{\partial u^+}{\partial y^+} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{\kappa^2 y^{+2} \left( 1 - e^{-\tilde{y}^+} \right)^2} \left( \frac{\partial u^+}{\partial y^+} - 1 \right) \quad (7)$$

and we solve for  $\partial_{y^+} u^+$  to obtain

$$\frac{\partial u^+}{\partial y^+} = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4\kappa^2 y^{+2} (1 - e^{-\widetilde{y}^+})}} \quad (8)$$