

EXTRACTION
OF VORTICES IN
2D AND 3D
TURBULENT FLOWS

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TURBULENT FLOWS: THE DETERMINISTIC APPROACH

THE PHYSICAL SPACE 'PICTURE':
 based on each flow realization \Rightarrow **The Zoo!** DYNAMICS

2D Vortices



Cyclones

Andrew
Hurricanes

Tornadoes



3D Vortices

Shuttle

Eyewall



Mixing layer



trail vortices



Boundary layer

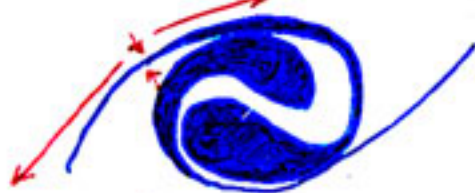


Wake

Von Karman Vortices



2D flows



Vortex merging

3D flows



Vortex stretching

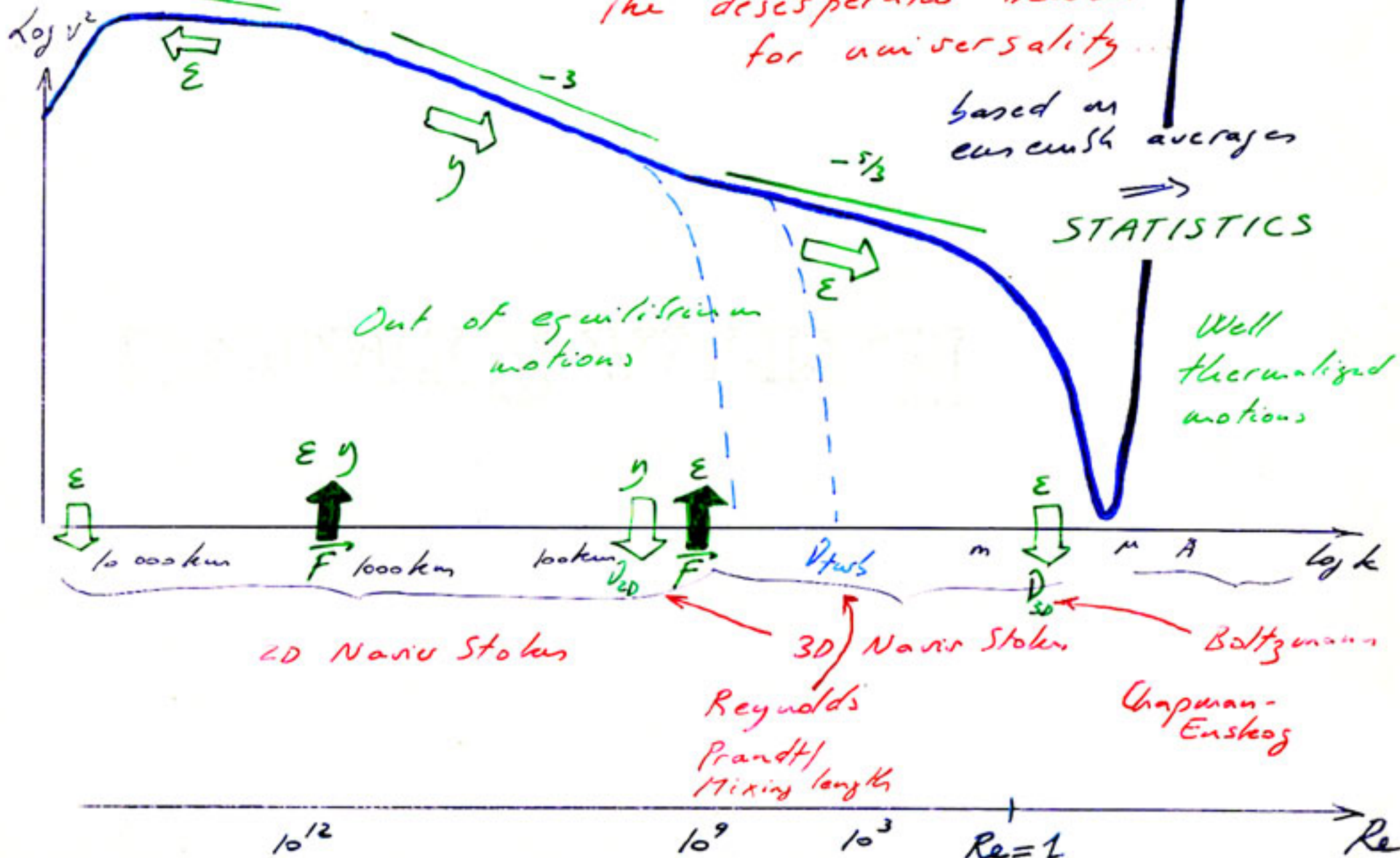
TURBULENT FLOWS: THE STATISTICAL APPROACH

THE FOURIER SPACE 'PICTURE':

The deseperated search for universality...

based on ensemble averages

STATISTICS



Hugh DRYDEN

Adv. Applied Mech., 1, 1948

'At the 5th International Congress of Applied Mechanics in 1938 Tollmien and Prandtl suggested that the turbulent fluctuations might consist of two components, a diffuse and a non diffuse component [...] Considerable masses of fluid move as more or less coherent units. The process cannot be smoothed by averaging over a small volume because it is not possible to choose dimensions small compared with a single element [...]. Shall the flow be regarded as a mean flow that merely transports and distorts large eddies superposed on the flow, then eddies being of varying size and intensity. [...] The ideas of Tollmien and Prandtl that measured fluctuations include both random and non random elements are correct, but as yet there is no known procedure, either experimental or theoretical, for separating them.'

Robert KRAICHNAN

'On Kolmogorov's inertial
range theories' J.F.T. 62, 1974

The terms 'scale of motion' or
'eddy of size l ' appear repeatedly
in treatments of the inertial
range. One gets an impression
of little, randomly distributed
whirls in the fluid, with the
cascade process consisting of the
fission of the whirls into smaller
ones, after the fashion of
Richardson's poem. This
picture seems drastically in
conflict with what can be
inferred about the qualitative
structure of high-Reynolds
number turbulence from laboratory
visualization techniques and
from plausible application of
Kelvin circulation theorem.

Ya ZELDOVICH ON TURBULENCE

The randomness in turbulent flows comes from a statistically prescribed background against which the evolution proceeds.

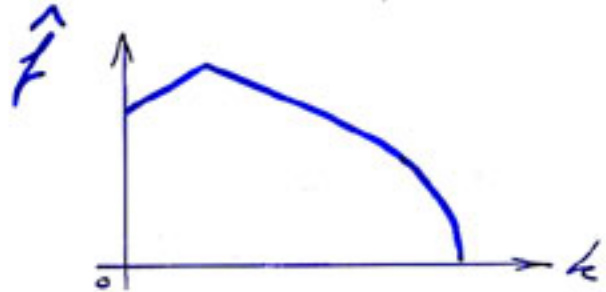
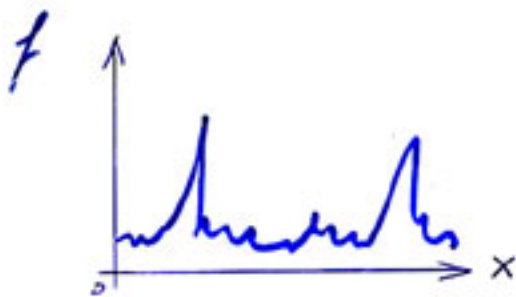
Stagnation points, as well as unstable periodic orbits, probably play a decisive role for the existence of chaotic regions. In 2D turbulence, stagnation points are such that nearby trajectories converge in one direction and diverge in the other. It is important to separate the stable and unstable regions of turbulent flows.



(The Almighty Chance, 1990)

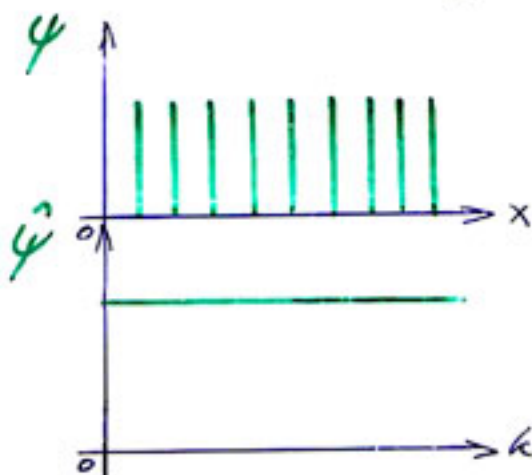
TURBULENT FLOW ANALYSIS

Turbulent flows are described by continuous fields f :



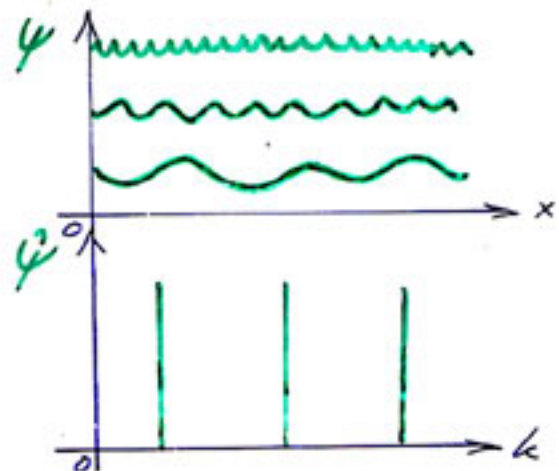
To measure and analyze them, we project them onto orthogonal bases described by analyzing functions ψ_μ :

$$\hat{f}(\mu) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \psi_\mu(x) dx$$



Grid-points
or Dirac basis

$$\psi_{x_0}(x) = \delta(x - x_0)$$



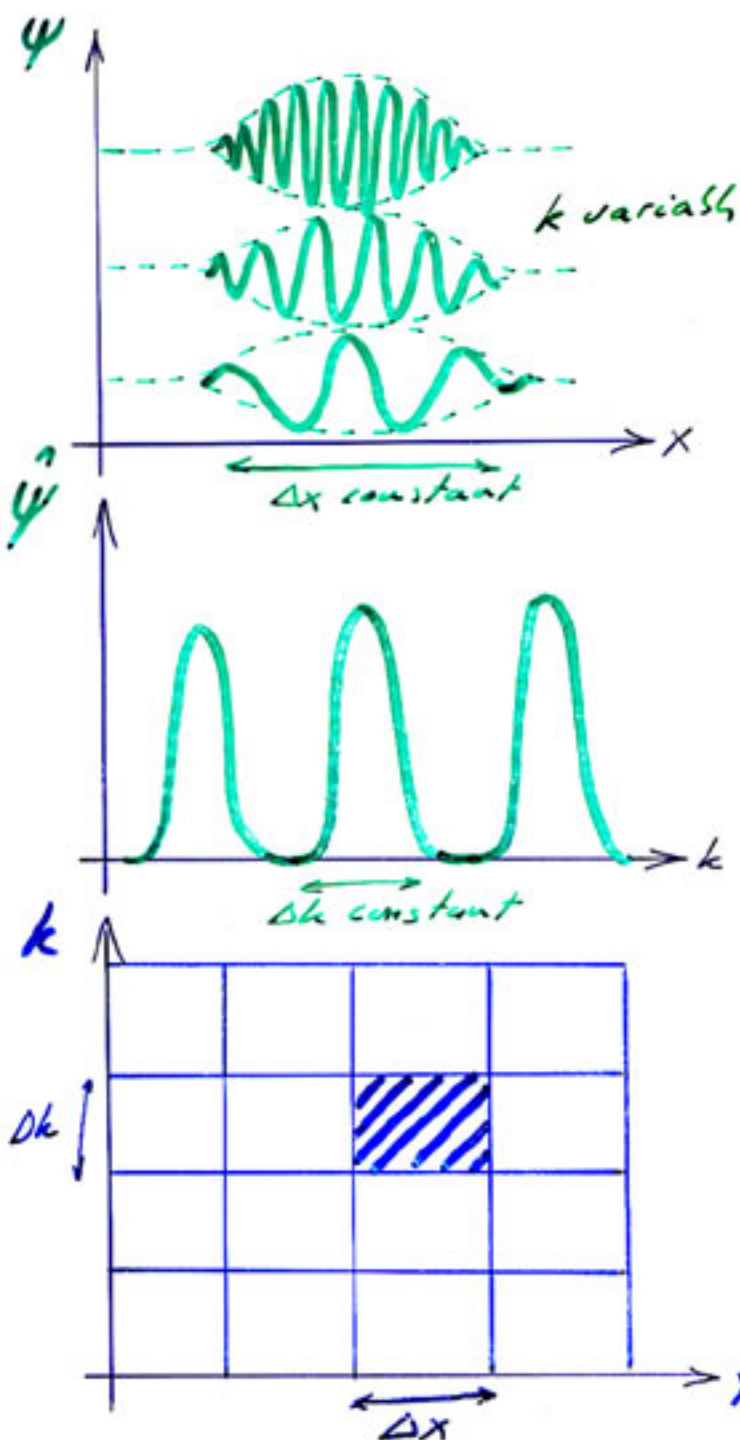
Wavenumbers
or Fourier basis

$$\psi_k(x) = e^{-2i\pi k \cdot x}$$

OTHER POSSIBLE BASES

Windowed Fourier

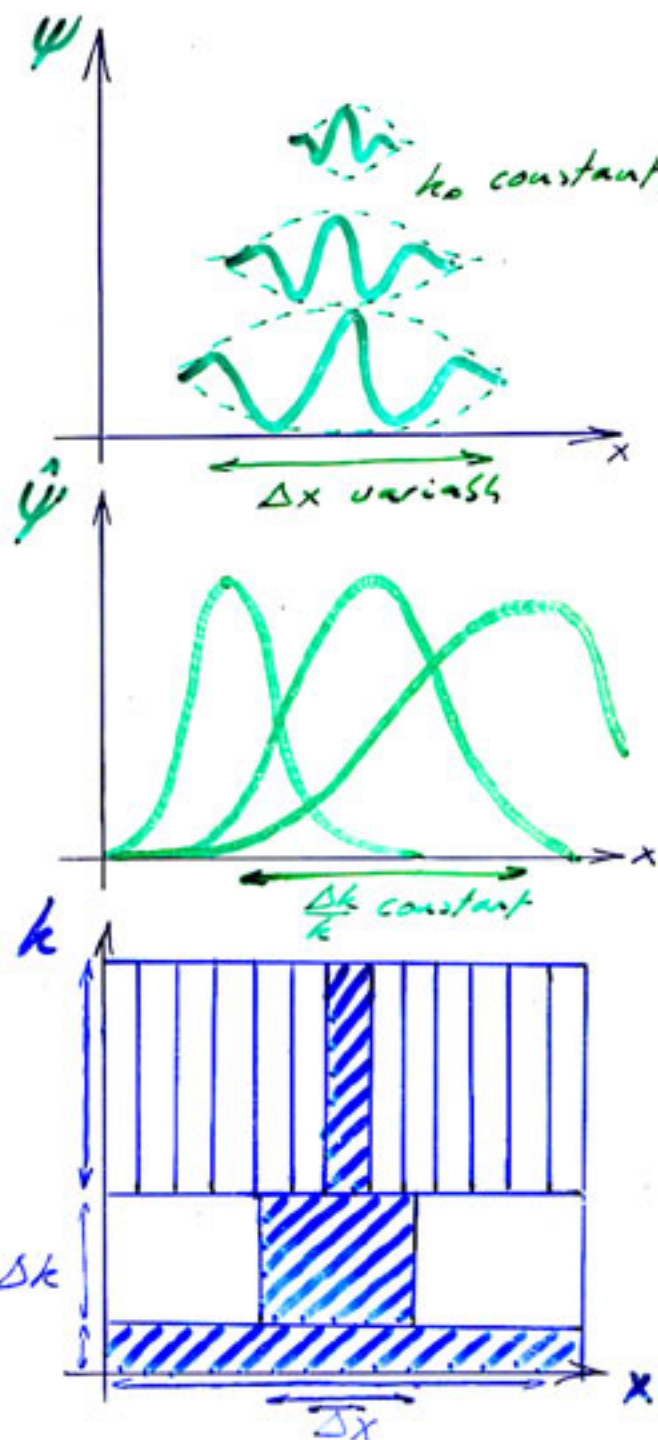
Space-wavenumber decomposition



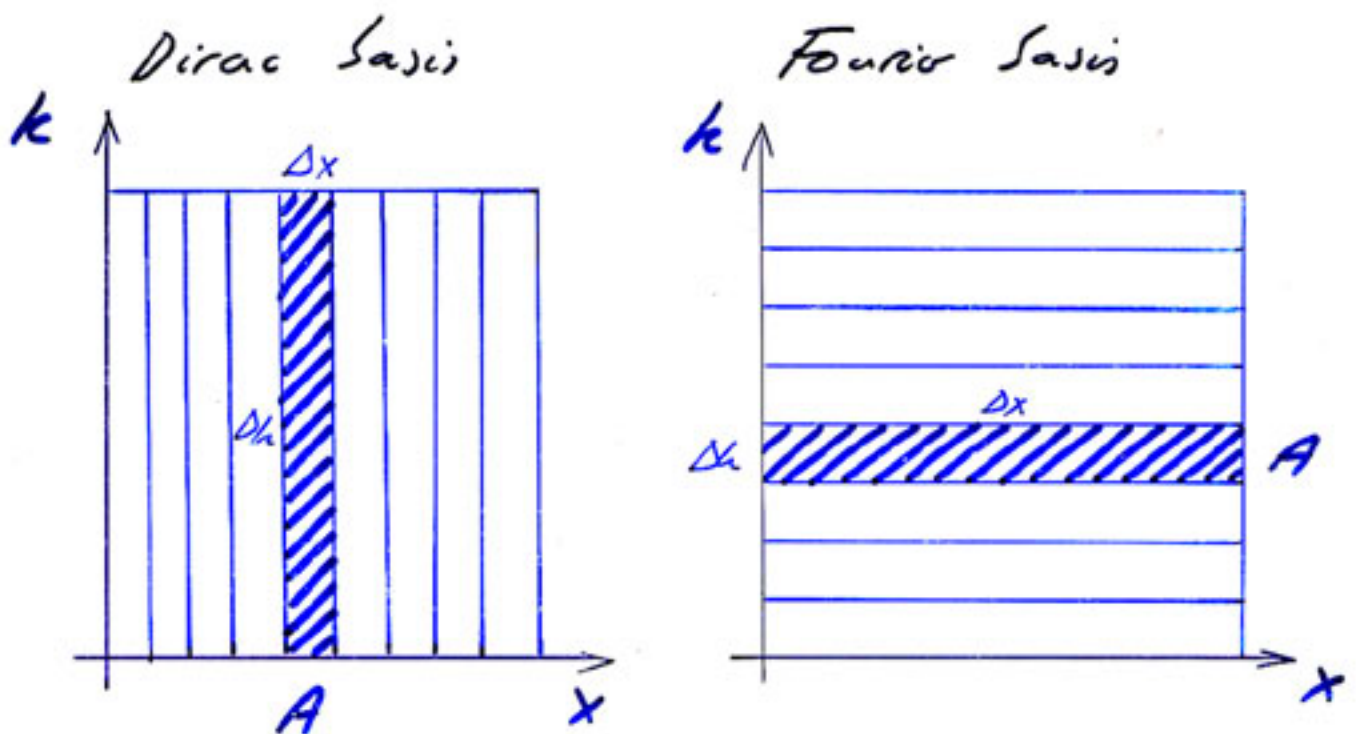
Balian's construction

Wavelets

Space-scale decomposition



PHASE-SPACE
REPRESENTATION
OR
INFORMATION PLANE
(Léon Brillouin)



Heisenberg's
Uncertainty Principle:
 $\Delta x \cdot \Delta k \geq A$

A elementary area
of the information cells
or phase-space 'atoms'
or Heisenberg boxes

ORTHOGONAL WAVELET DECOMPOSITION

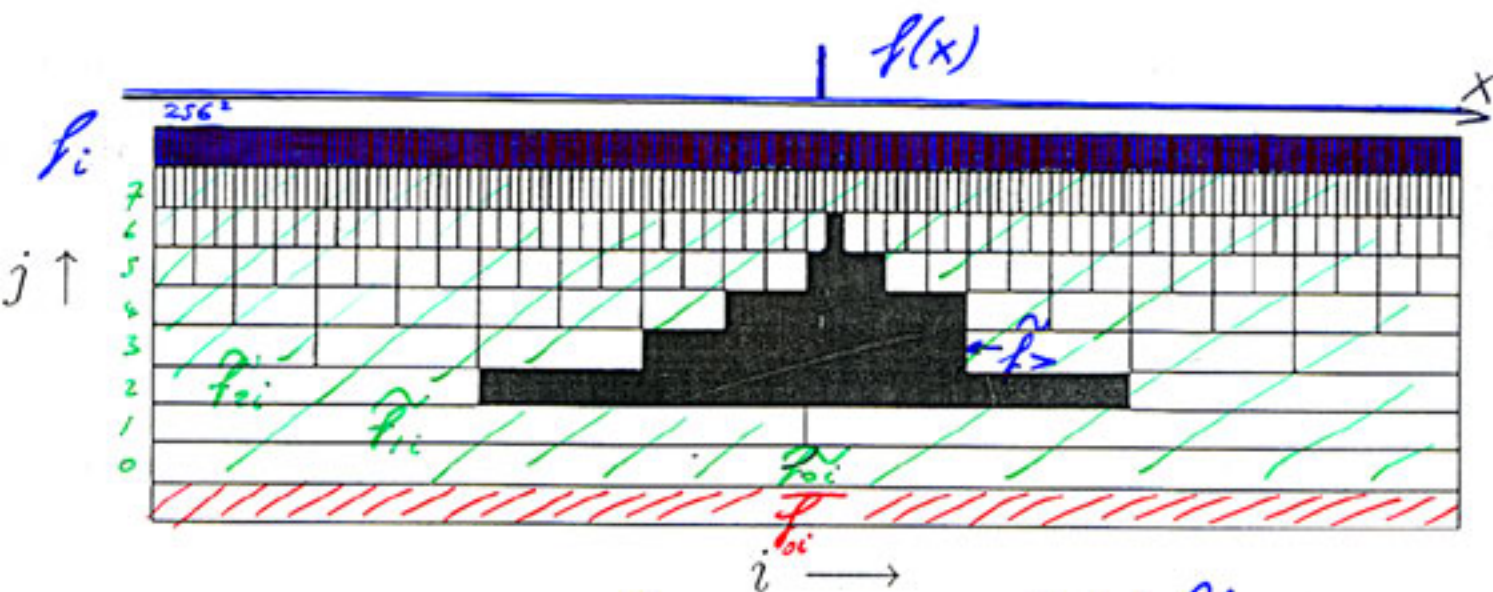
cf. Fary, Ann. Rev. Fluid Mech., 24, 1992

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} \underbrace{\bar{f}_{0i}}_{\text{Scaling coefficients}} \phi_{0i}(x)$$

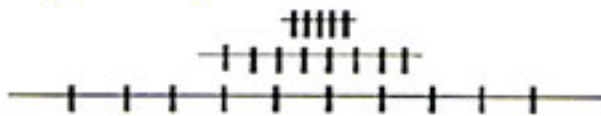
Scaling coefficients
at the largest scale $l_{\max} = 2^0 = 1$

$$+ \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} \underbrace{\tilde{f}_{ji}}_{\text{Wavelet coefficients}} \psi_{ji}(x)$$

Wavelet coefficients
at scale $l = 2^{-j}$



Adaptive grid associated to \tilde{f}_{ji}



Scaling coefficients $\bar{f}_{0i} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) \phi(x-i) dx$

Wavelet coefficients $\tilde{f}_{ji} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) \psi(x-2^j i) dx$

2D \perp WAVELET DECOMPOSITION OF THE VORTICITY

$$\omega(\vec{x}) = [\bar{\omega}_{0,0,0}] \phi_{0,0,0}(\vec{x}) +$$

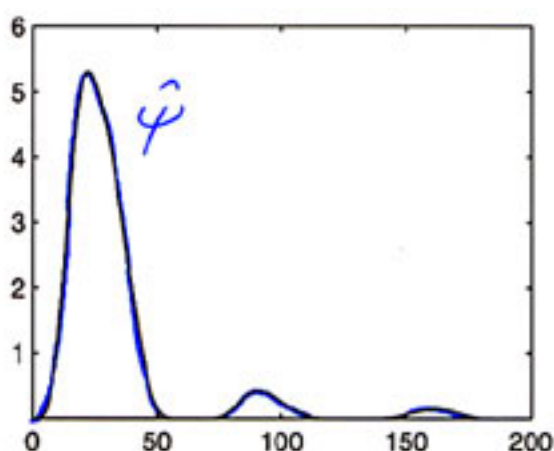
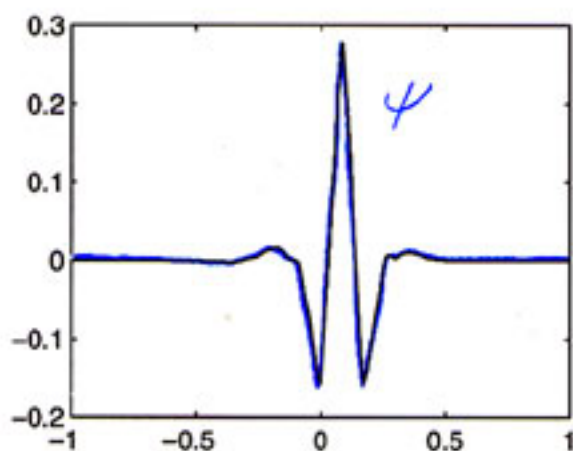
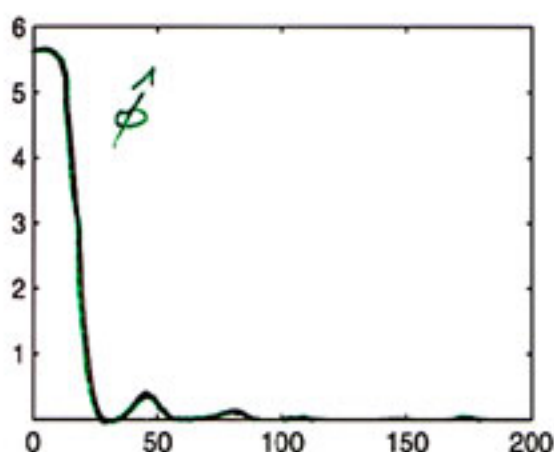
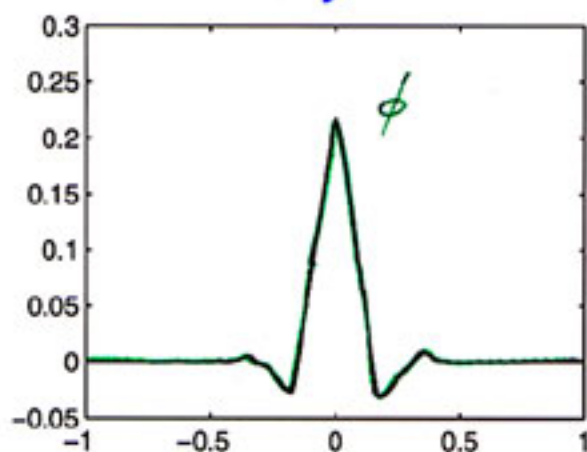
$$\sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \sum_{i_x=0}^{2^j-1} \sum_{i_y=0}^{2^j-1} \sum_{\mu=1}^3 [\tilde{\omega}_{j,i_x,i_y}^{\mu}] \psi_{j,i_x,i_y}^{\mu}(\vec{x})$$

$$\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

j scale
 i position
 μ direction

$$N = 2^J$$

J # octaves

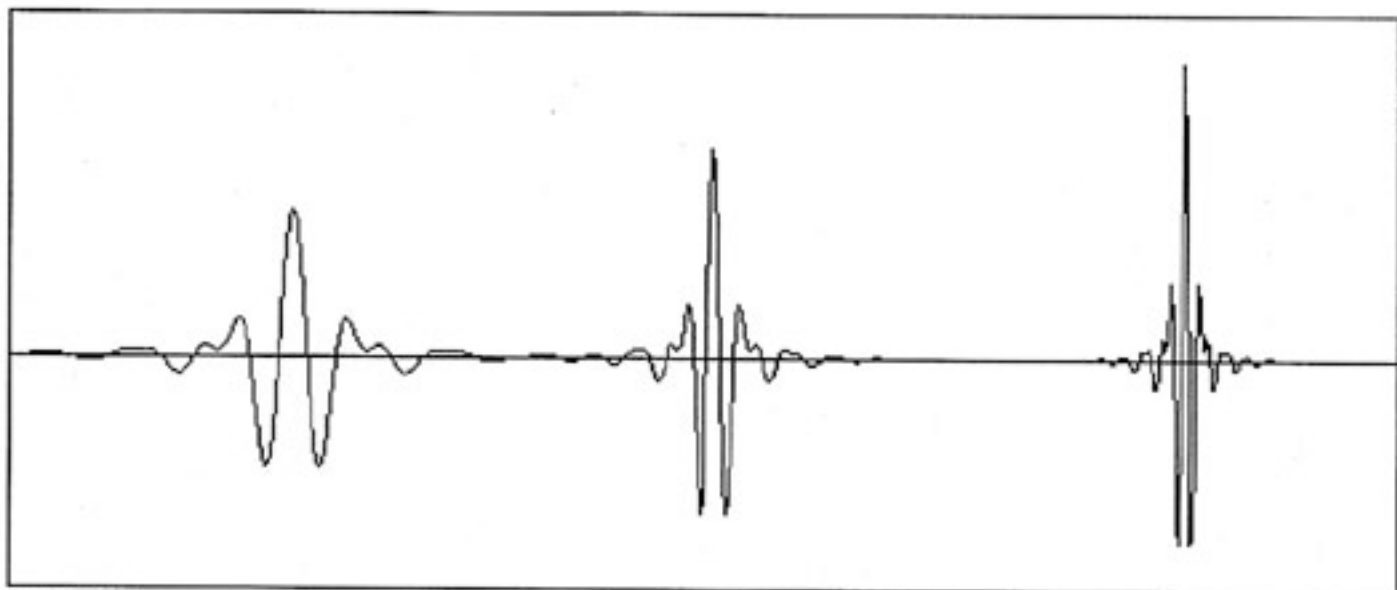


with the scaling coefficients $[\bar{\omega}_{0,0,0}] = \langle \omega, \phi_{0,0,0} \rangle$
and the wavelet coefficients

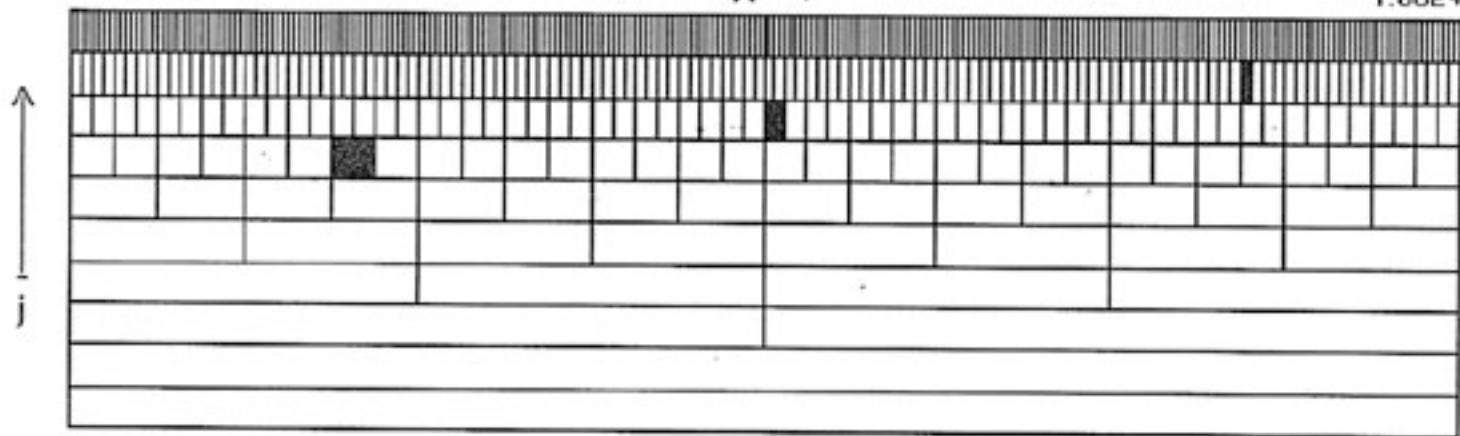
$$[\tilde{\omega}_{j,i_x,i_y}^{\mu}] = \langle \omega, \psi_{j,i_x,i_y}^{\mu} \rangle$$

$O(N)$ operations

Wavelet family



0.00E+00 x --> 1.00E+00

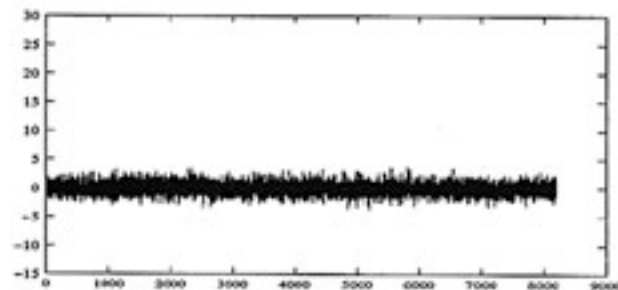
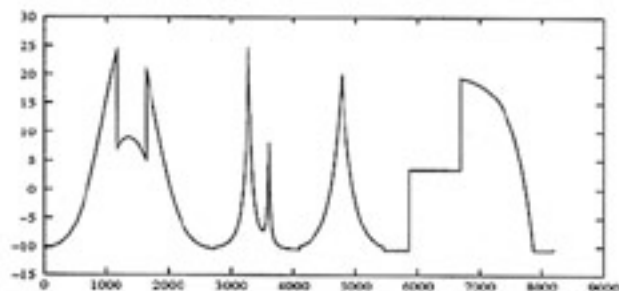


i → Scale (j) space (i) representation

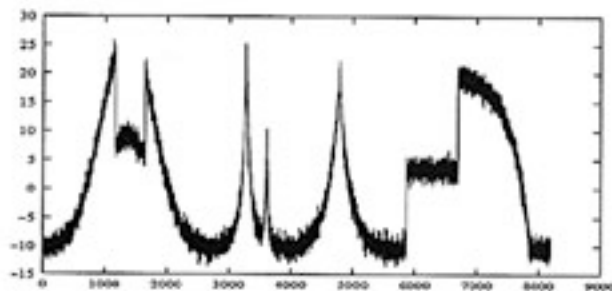
Numerical application

f

W

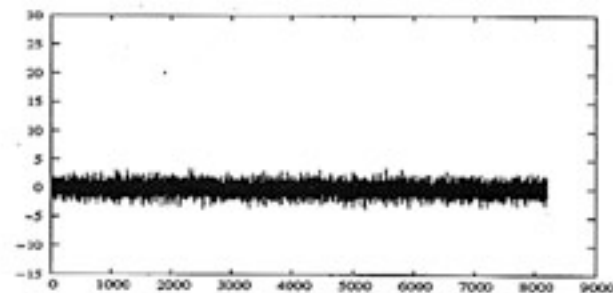
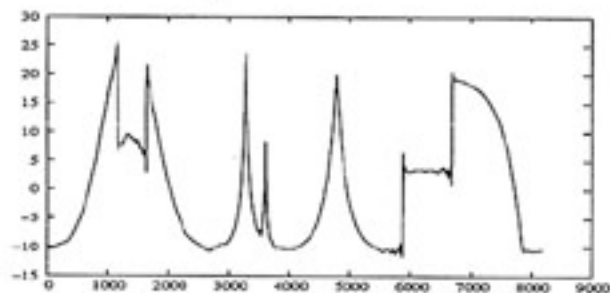


X



$F_{T_\ell}(X)$

$F_{T_\ell}^c(X)$



RESEARCH PROGRAM

The description of turbulent flows f in terms of a mean \bar{f} plus random fluctuations f' , i.e. $f = \bar{f} + f'$, is eroded, since turbulent flows are governed by deterministic coherent vortices moving in a random background flow resulting from their nonlinear interactions

$$f = f_c + f_r \begin{cases} f_c \text{ coherent} \\ \text{deterministic} \\ f_r \text{ incoherent} \\ \text{random} \end{cases}$$

Classical averages based on L^2 -norm or 2 point correlations are not appropriate to take into account coherent vortices due to their translation motions.

Coherent vortices are correlated in space and time (phase locking)
 \Rightarrow we need wavelet representation

They are intermittent events \Rightarrow
we need conditional averages,
i.e. each realization is splitted into f_c and f_r before averaging.

COHERENT VORTEX SITUATION (CVS)

We want to compute
the evolution of unsteady
turbulent flows at
the lowest computational
cost.

We consider turbulent
flows as made of
coherent vortices moving
in a random background
flow produced by their
non linear interactions

$$\vec{f}(\vec{x}, t) = \vec{f}_c(\vec{x}, t) + \vec{f}_I(\vec{x}, t)$$

Coherent
deterministic
non-diffusive

Incoherent
random
diffusive

PRINCIPLE OF CVS (COHERENT VORTEX SIMULATION)

Separation of each
flow realization into:

- Nonlinear interaction { - Coherent Vortices
out of equilibrium,
- Turbulent dissipation { - Well mixed background
flow in 'thermal' equilibrium.
- No scale separation { Both components are
multiscale but present
different statistical
behaviours \Rightarrow CVS:

- the coherent vortices
are deterministically
computed in an adaptive
wavelet basis,
- the effect of the
background flow is
statistically modelled.

cf. Phys. Fluids, 11 (8), 2187 (1999)

GOAL

We have introduced a new method, called Coherent Vortex Simulation (CVS) cf. Phys. Fluids, 11, 8, 2187 (1999), which can be seen as a multiscale LES method with dynamical grid refinement.

CVS presently works for 2D flows and we want to extend it to 3D flows.

As a first step, we propose to compare CVS and LES filtering in terms of vortex tube extraction and number of d.o.f. compression for 3D flows.

DECAYING 2D TURBULENT FLOWS

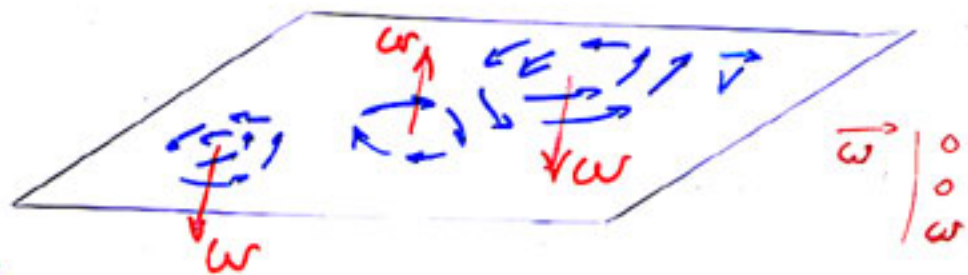
Direct Numerical Simulation
nonlinear advection linear dissipation

Navier-Stokes

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla \vec{V} + \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P = \nu \nabla^2 \vec{V} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{V} = 0 \end{array} \right. + \text{B.C.} \& \text{I.C.}$$

periodic random

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega = \nabla \times \vec{V} = \nabla^2 \psi \\ \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla \omega = \nu \nabla^2 \omega \end{array} \right. + \text{B.C.} \& \text{I.C.}$$



Laminar flows

$$Re \sim 1$$

Turbulent flows

$$Re \rightarrow \infty$$

Reynolds Number

$$Re = \frac{\text{non linear advection}}{\text{linear dissipation}}$$

N number grid points $\propto Re$

Pseudo-spectral method

CMS DECOMPOSITION



WT

Wavelet $|\tilde{\omega}| > T$

denoising $|\tilde{\omega}| \leq T$

WT⁻¹ WT⁻¹



Biot-Savart's inversion

$$\vec{V} = \vec{V}^\perp \nabla^{-2} \omega$$



$$\omega = \omega_c + \omega_I$$

$$\vec{V} = \vec{V}_c + \vec{V}_I$$

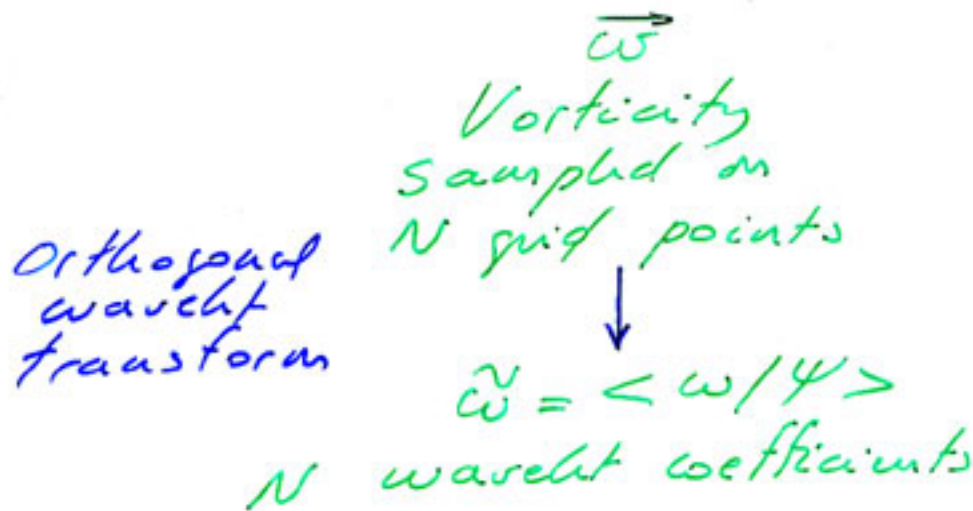
CVS

WAVELET NONLINEAR FILTER

cf. Fary, Schneider, Kutlubaev
 Physics of Fluids
 Vol. 11, n° 8, 2197
 August 1999

Schneider, Kutlubaev, Fary
 Theor. Comput. Fluid Dynam.
 Vol. 9, 191, 1997

Fary, Goirand, Neyer, Pascal, Wickeshauser
 Fluid Dynam. Research
 Vol. 10, 229
 1992



Nonlinear threshold

$$|\vec{\tilde{\omega}}| \geq \tilde{\omega}_T = (2 \langle \vec{\tilde{\omega}}^2 \rangle \log N)^{1/2}$$

N_c strong wavelet coefficients

$\vec{\tilde{\omega}}_c$

N_E weak wavelet coefficients

$\vec{\tilde{\omega}}_E$

Adapted Inverse wavelet transform

$\vec{\omega}_c$ Coherent Vorticity

$\vec{\omega}_E$ Incoherent Vorticity

Biot-Savart kernel

$\vec{v}_c = \nabla \times \nabla^{-2} \vec{\omega}_c$

Coherent Velocity

$\vec{v}_E = \nabla \times \nabla^{-2} \vec{\omega}_E$

Incoherent Velocity

$$\vec{\omega} = \vec{\omega}_c + \vec{\omega}_E$$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_c + \vec{v}_E$$



Vorticity ω

0.7% N $\omega >$ 76.3% E

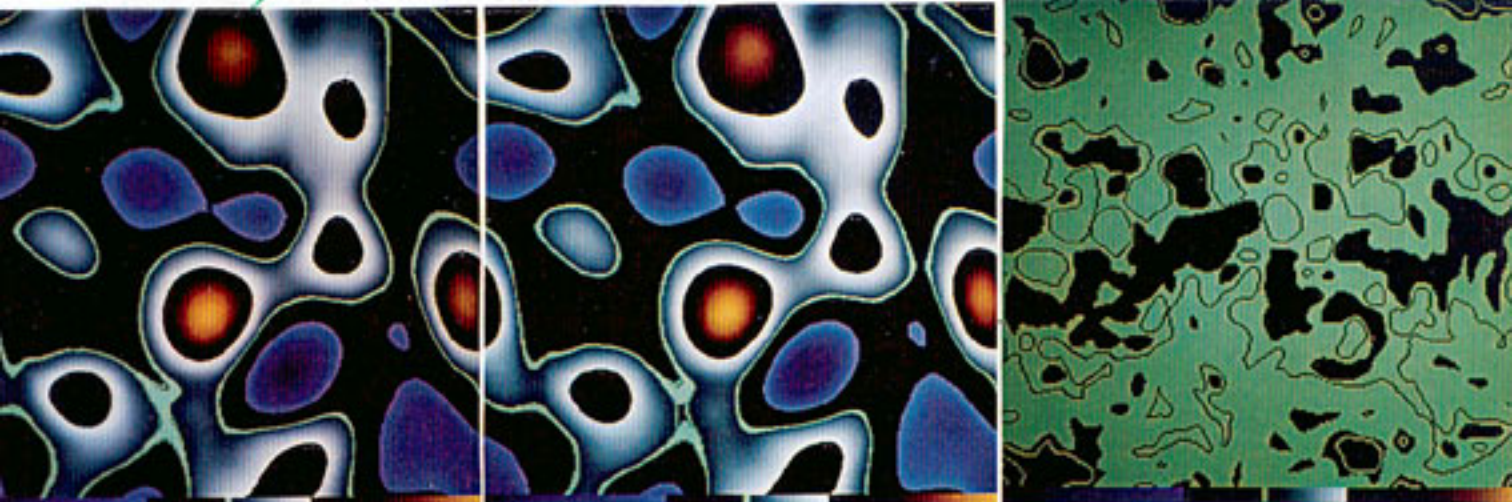
77.3% N $\omega <$ 5.7% E



Velocity v

0.7% N $v >$ 99.2% E

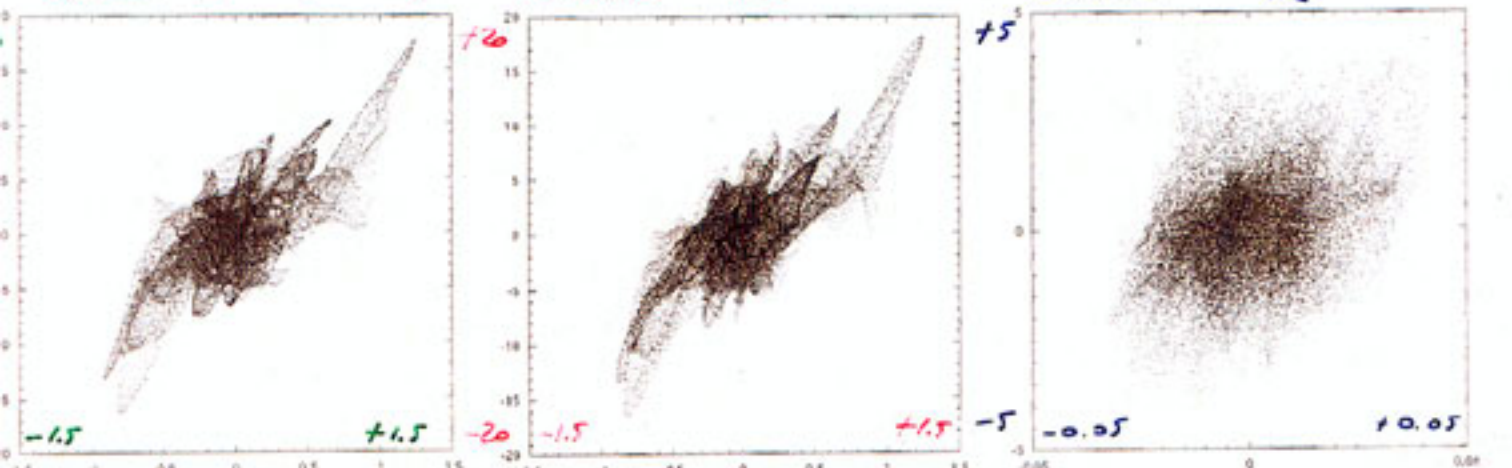
77.3% N $v <$ 0.4% E



Stream function ψ

0.7% N $\psi >$

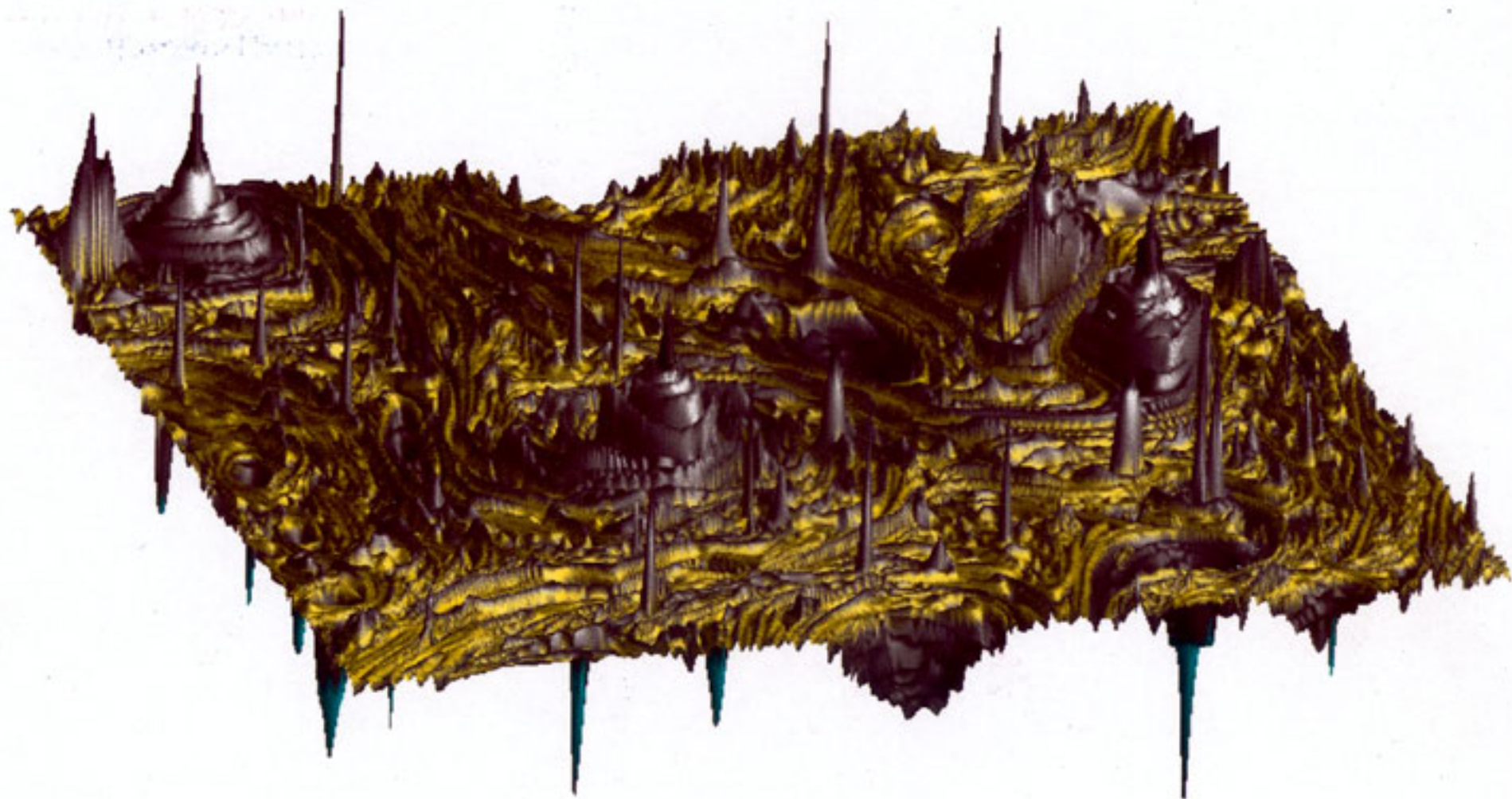
77.3% N $\psi <$



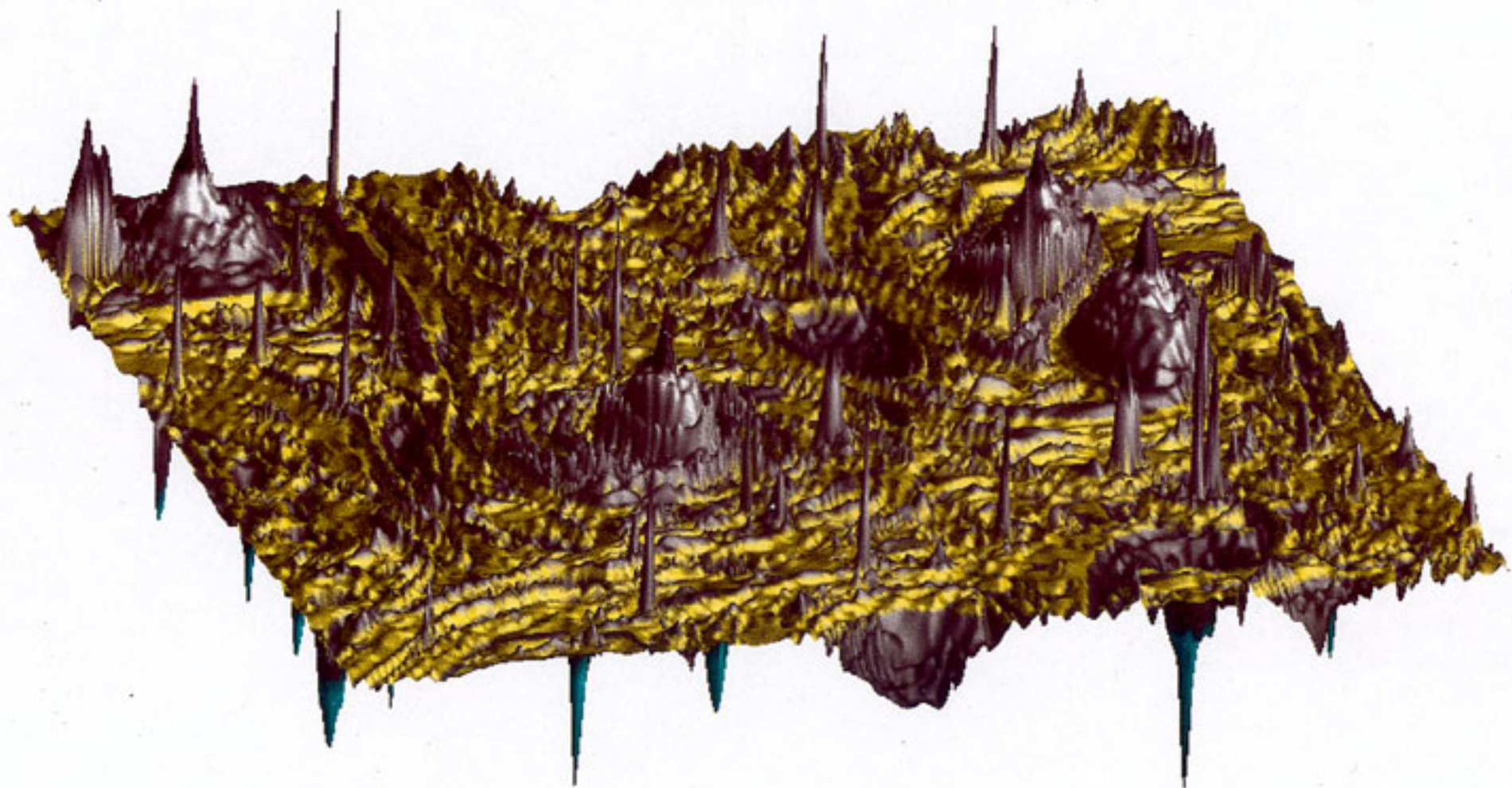
Column Scatter Plot F_1

F_2

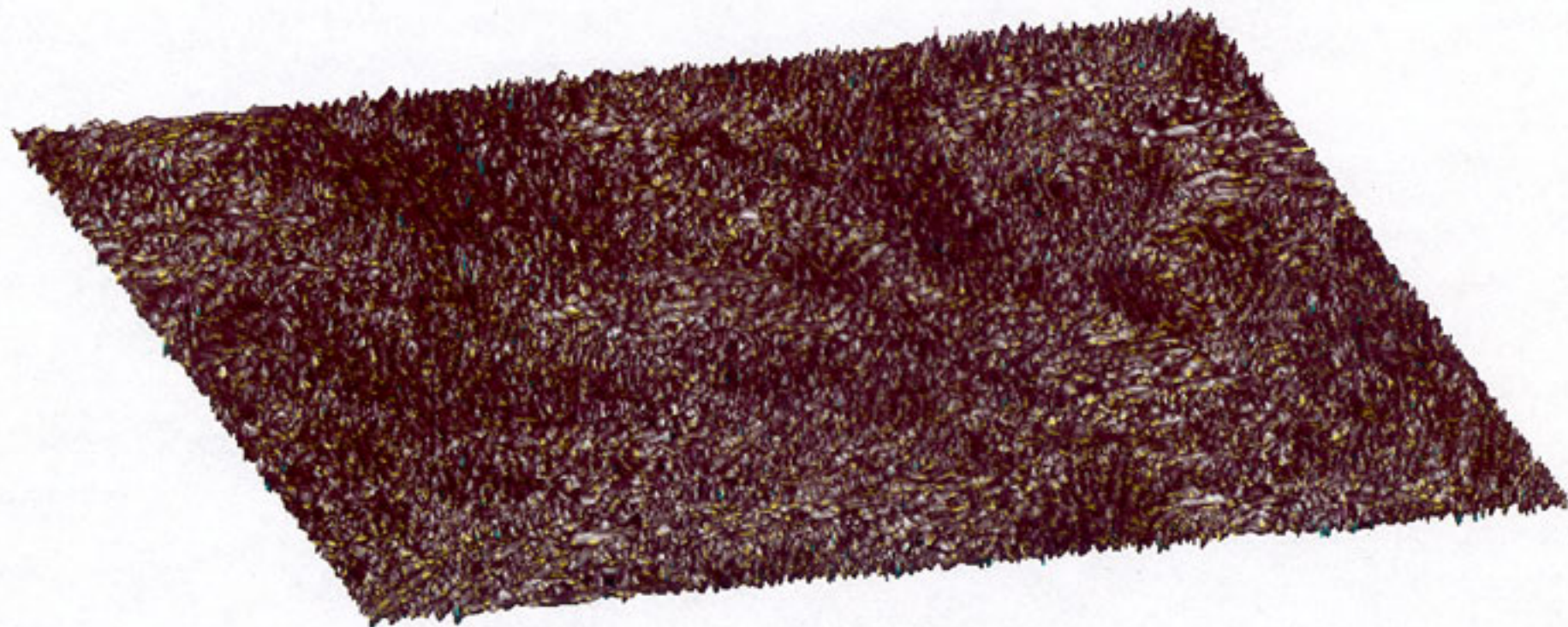
F_2



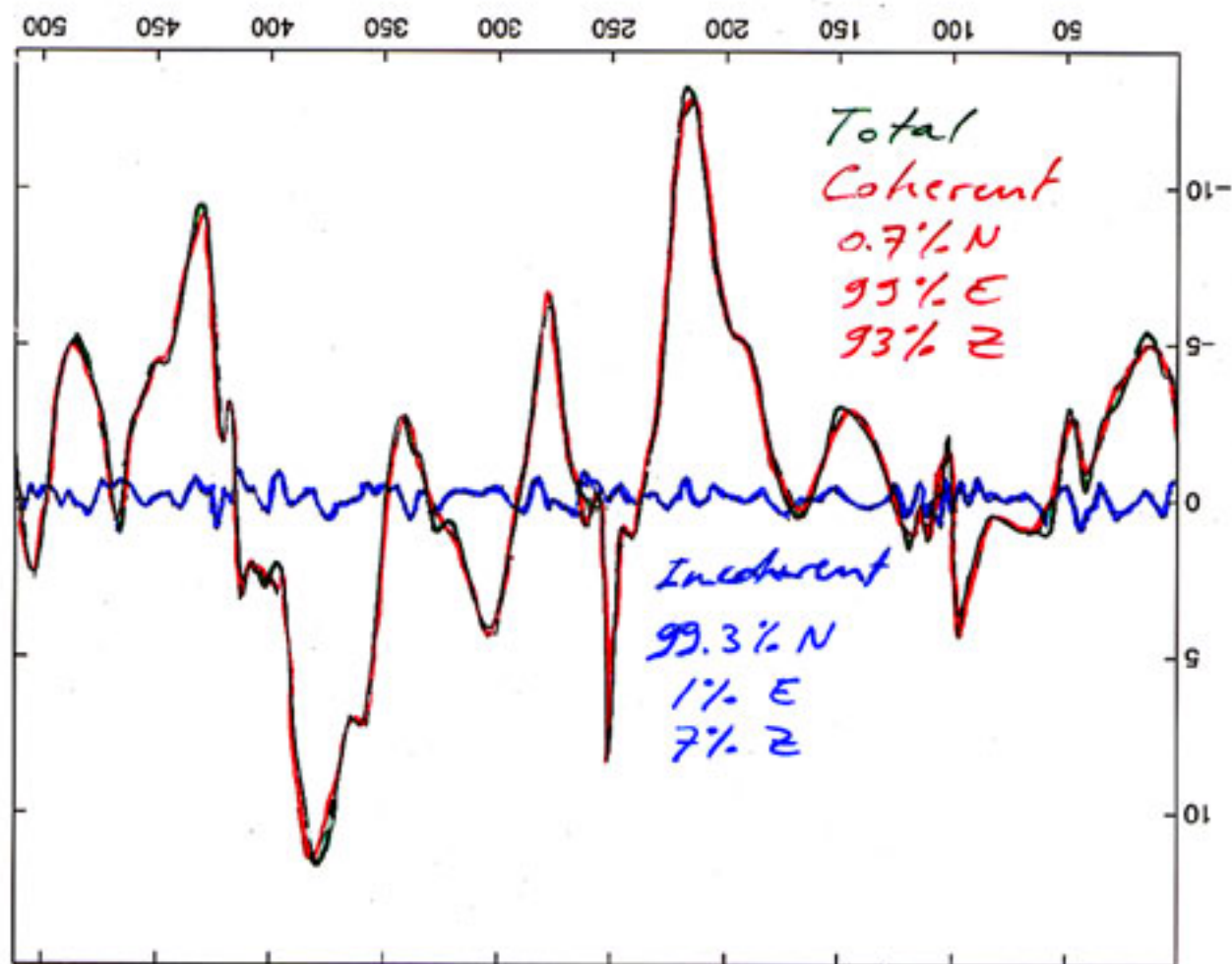
Total Vorticity field
 $N = 512^2$



Coherent Vorticity field
0.7% N 99% E 93% Z

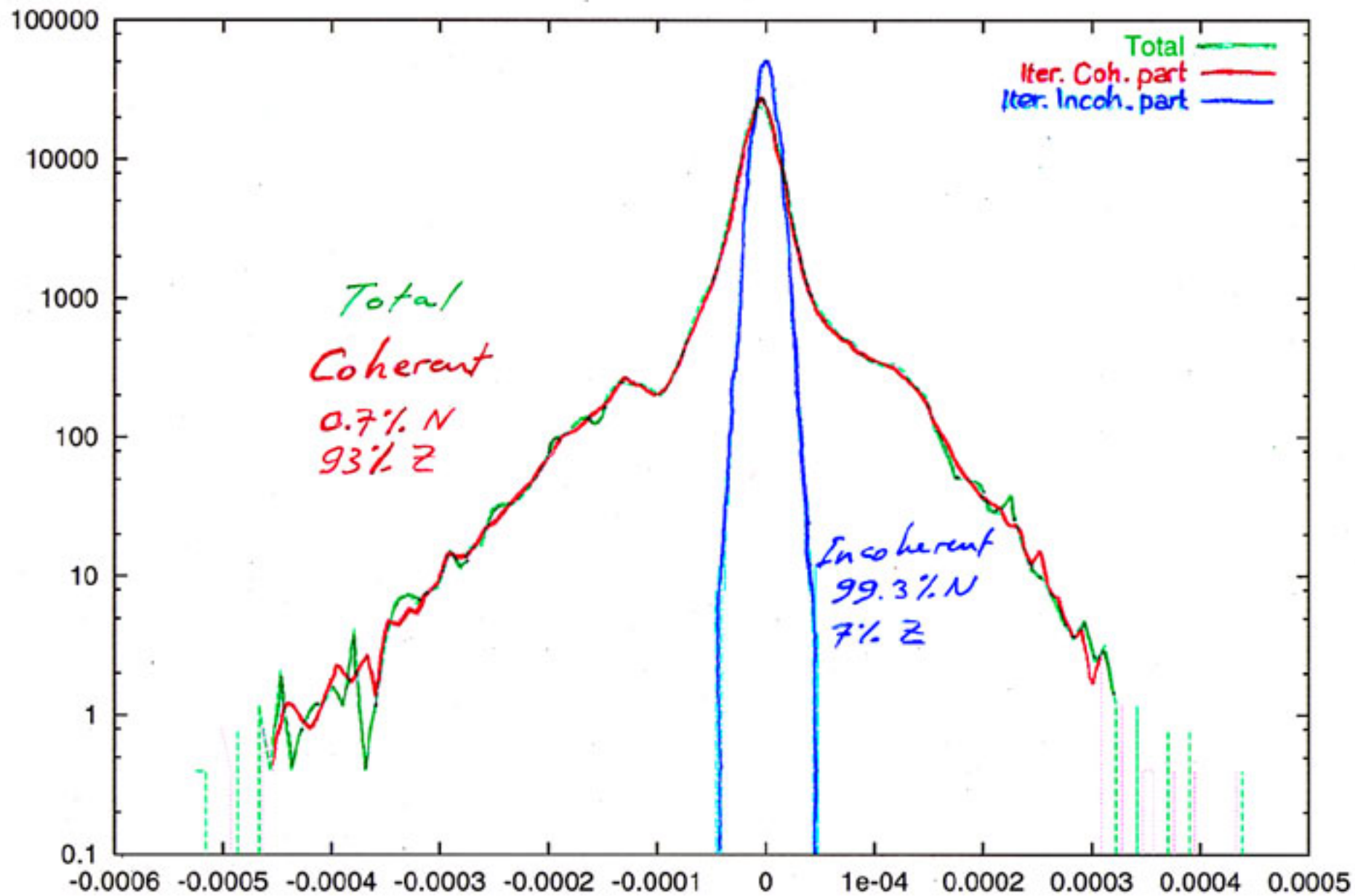


Incoherent Vorticity field
99.3% N 1% E 7% Z

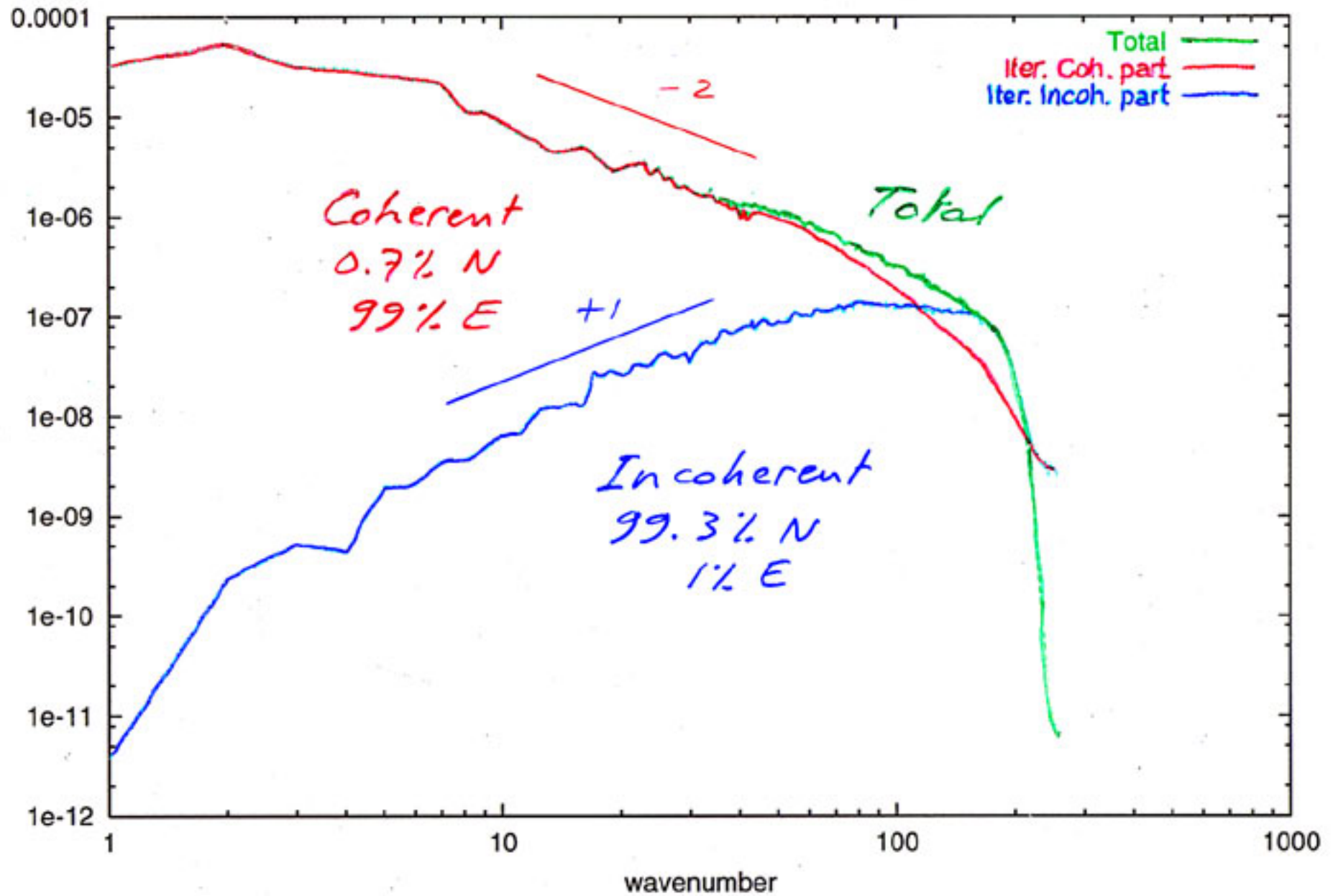


10 Cut of Vorticity

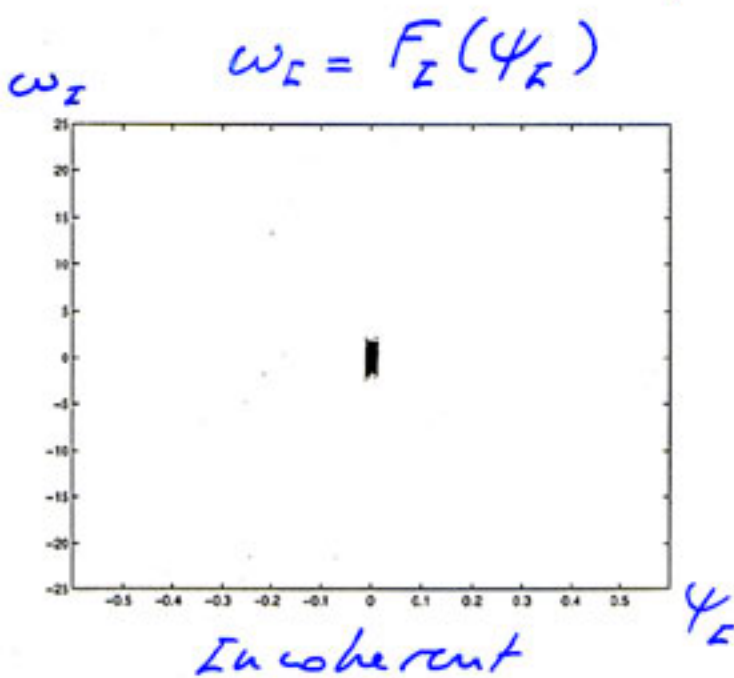
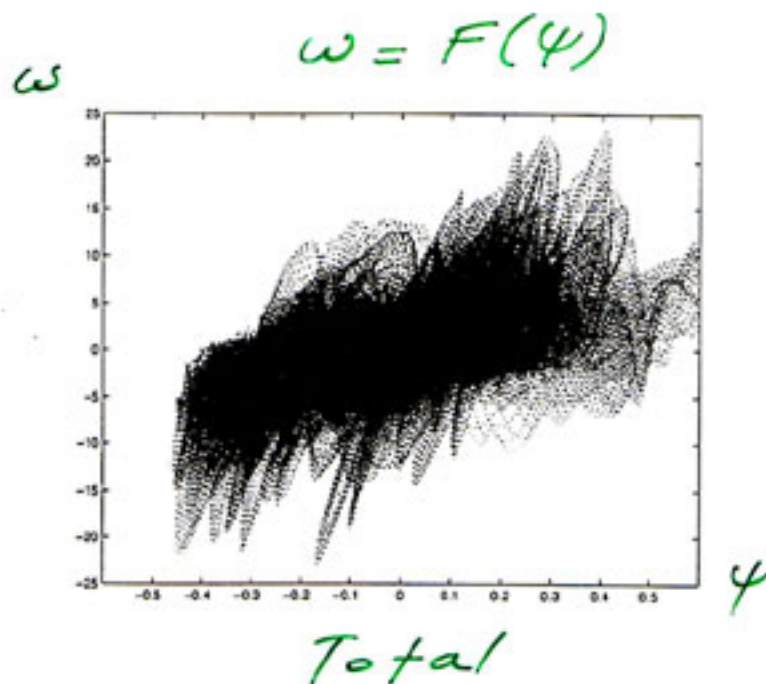
PDFs of Vorticity



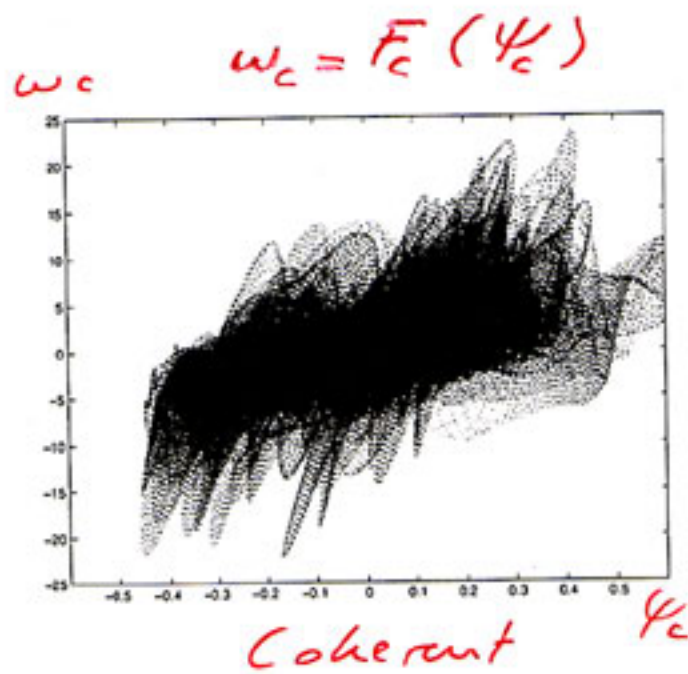
Enstrophy Spectrum



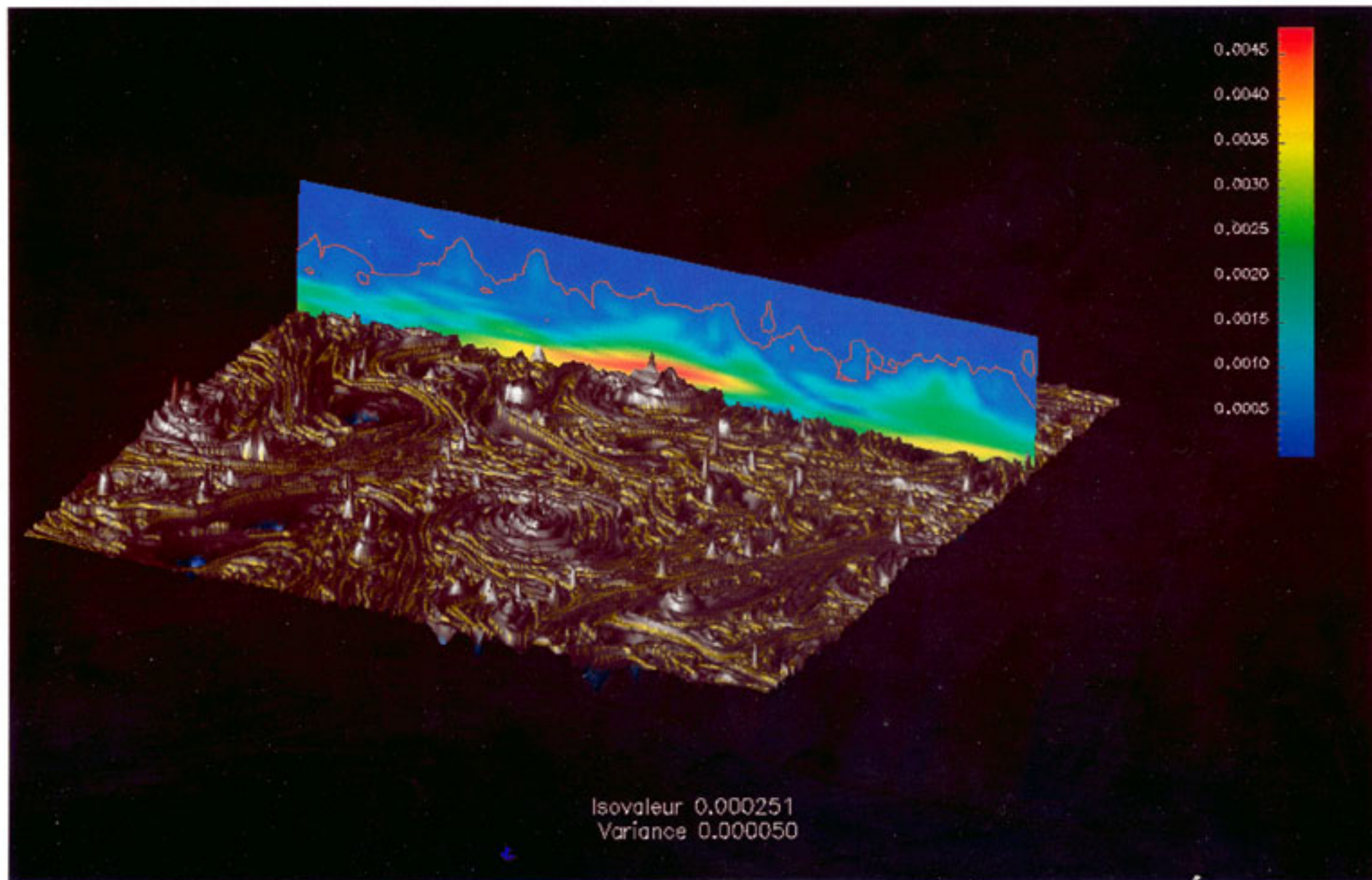
COHERENCE SCATTERPLOT
BETWEEN VORTICITY ω
AND STREAMFUNCTION ψ



99.3% N
1% E
7% Z



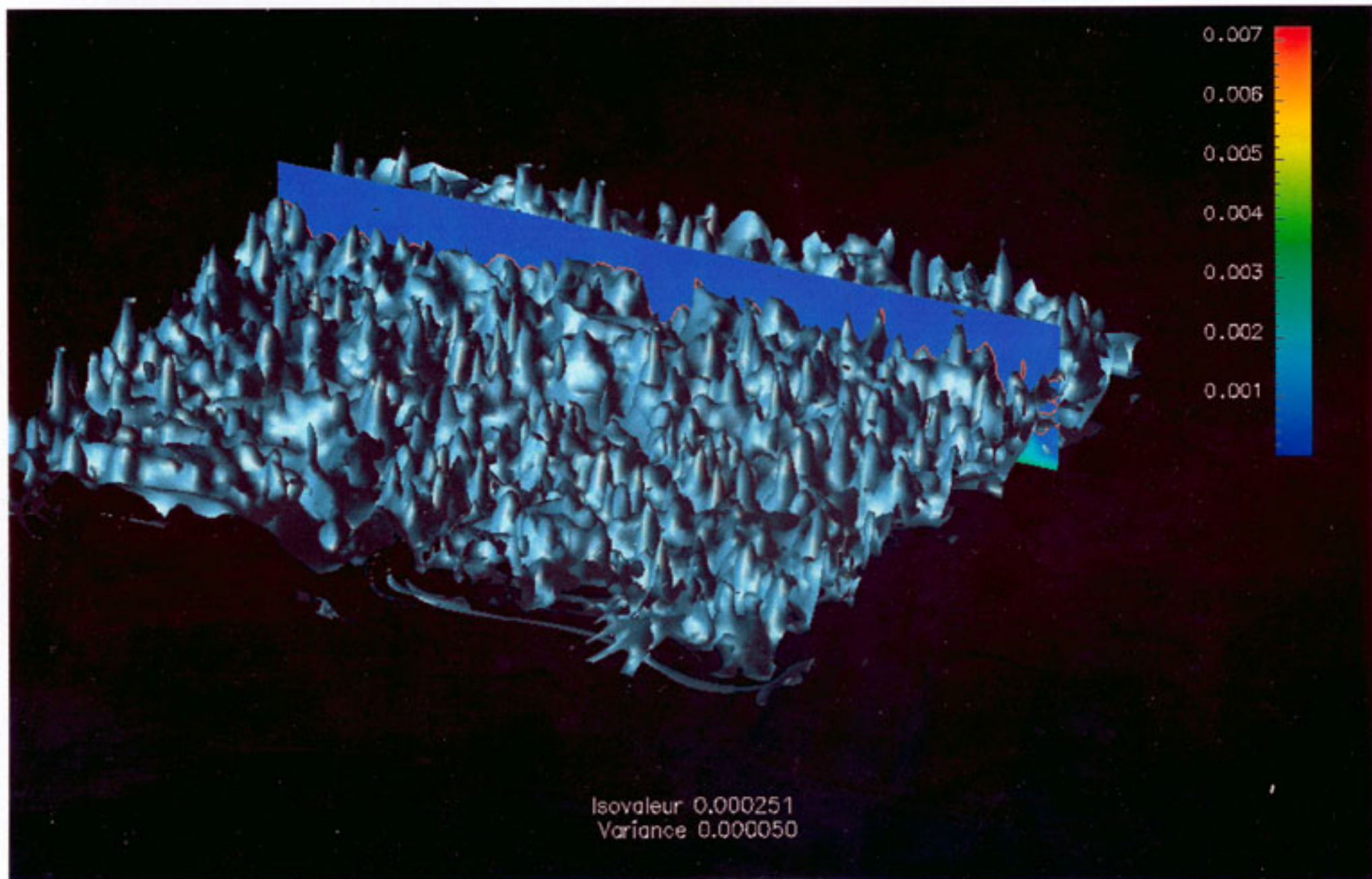
0.7% N
99% E
93% Z



Wavelet coefficients

Isoligne $\tilde{w}_T(\vec{x}, e)$

Azzouline
&
Fary 2001



Wavelet coefficients Isosurface $\tilde{\omega}_7(\vec{x}, t)$ Aggalini
&
Farje 2001

Filtering of DNS data

Nonlinear wavelet filtering (CVS)

$$N = 256^2$$

Initial Condition



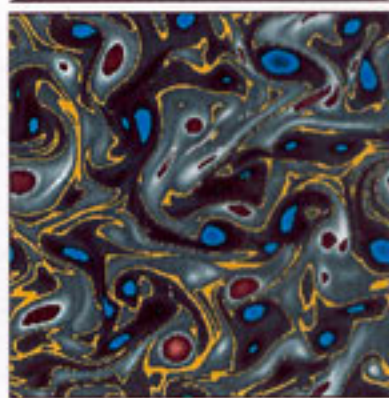
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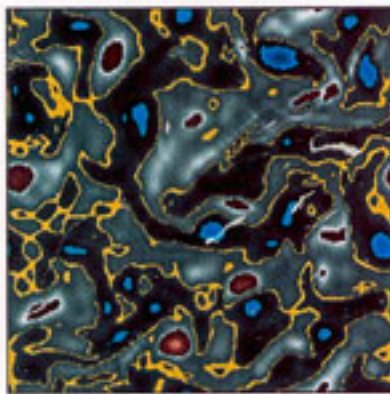
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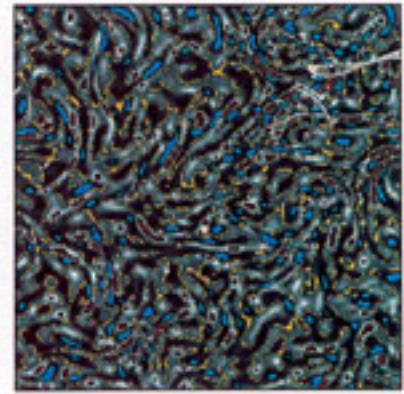
Coherent vortices
0.7% N
99% energy
93% enstrophy



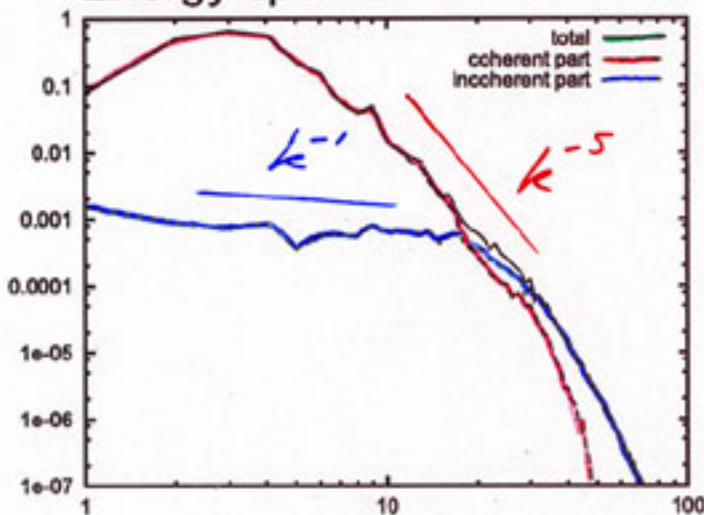
Incoherent background
99.3% N
0.7% energy
7% enstrophy



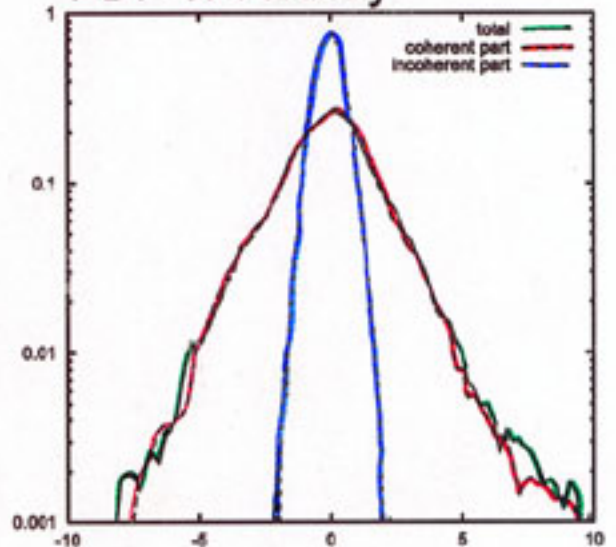
Color scale:
- w_{min} to $-0.3 w_{min}$
- $-0.3 w_{min}$ to $+0.3 w_{max}$
with $w=0$ yellow
+ $0.3 w_{max}$ to w_{max}



Energy spectrum



PDF of vorticity



Coherent Vortex Simulation (CVS) for the mixing of a passive scalar

$$S_c = \frac{U}{D} = 1$$

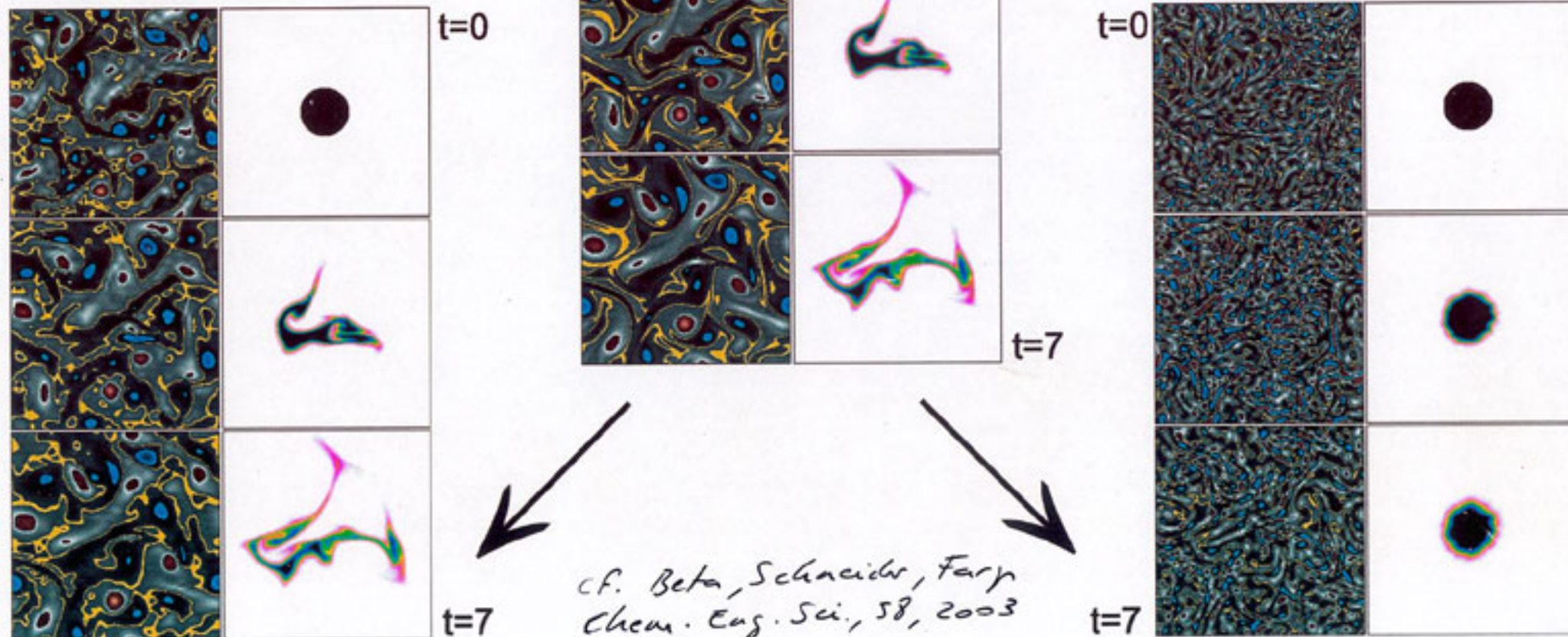
Coherent part

0.7% N
99% energy
93% enstrophy

Total field $N = 256^2$

Incoherent part

99.3% N
0.7% energy
7% enstrophy



Measuring the mixing process

Evolution of quantities,
related to the mixing process

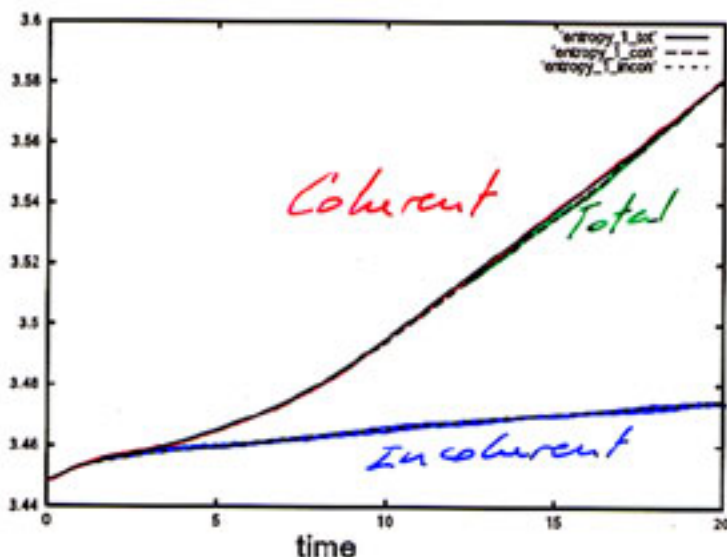
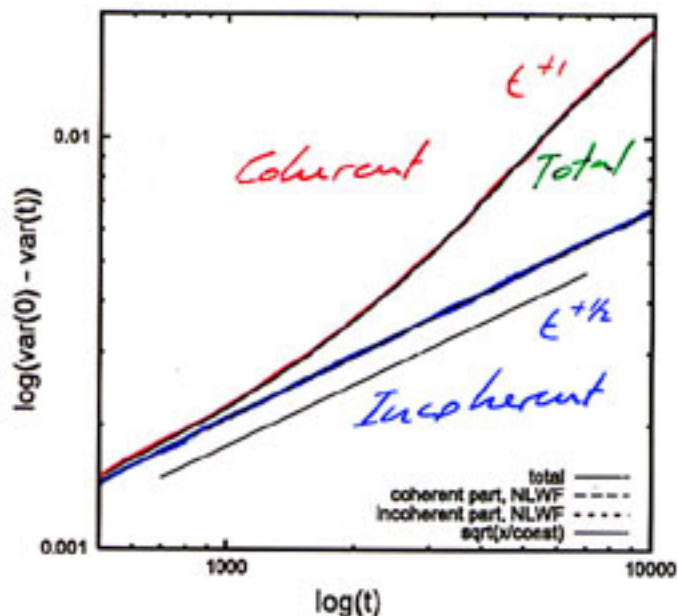
CVS

Difference of
Variance of
Concentration

$$D(t) = \sigma^2(t=0) - \sigma^2(t)$$

with

$$\sigma^2 = \int (\theta - \bar{\theta})^2 d\vec{x}$$



Entropy

$$S(t) = \sum_i p_i(t) \log(1/p_i(t))$$

with

$$p_i = \frac{\theta_i}{(\|\theta\|_2)^2}$$

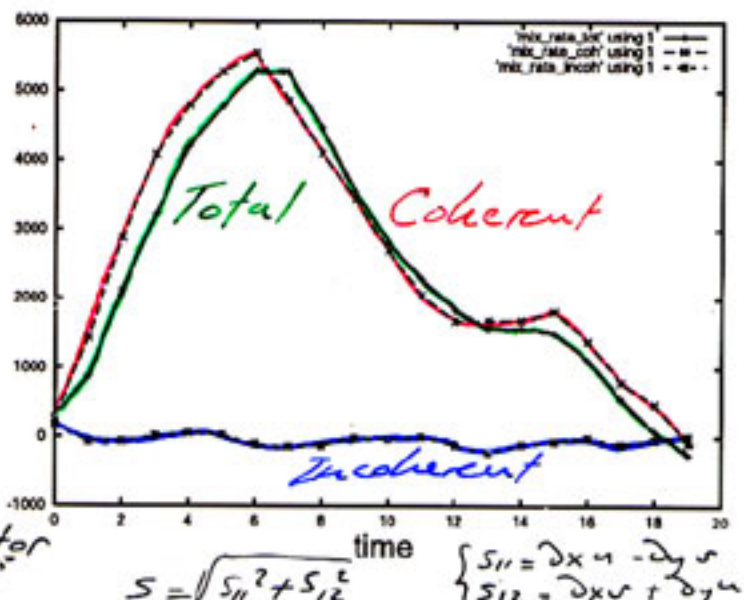
Relative
production rate
of scalar gradient

$$G(t) = \int |\nabla \theta| S \cos 2\alpha d\vec{x}$$

with

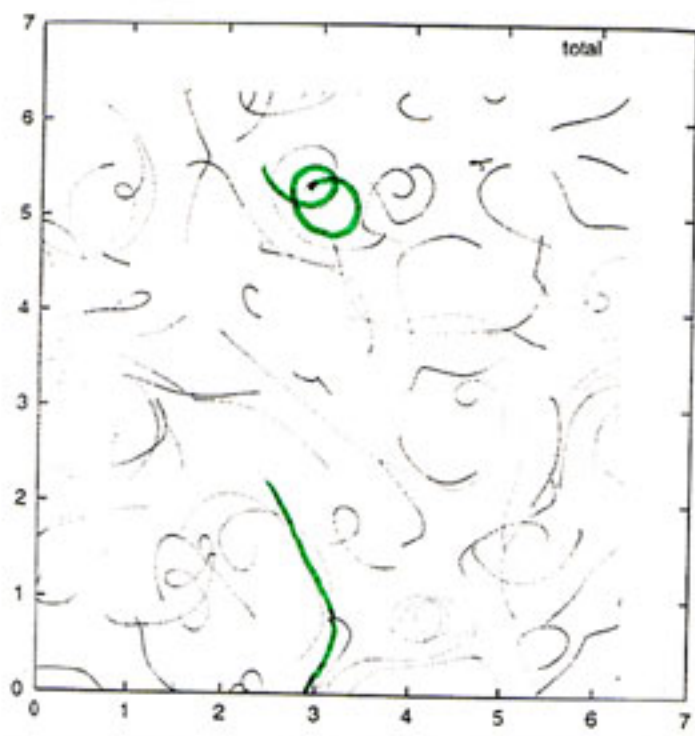
$$\alpha = \{ \nabla \theta, \vec{t}_2 \}$$

\vec{t}_2 compressing eigenvector
of strain tensor \vec{S}

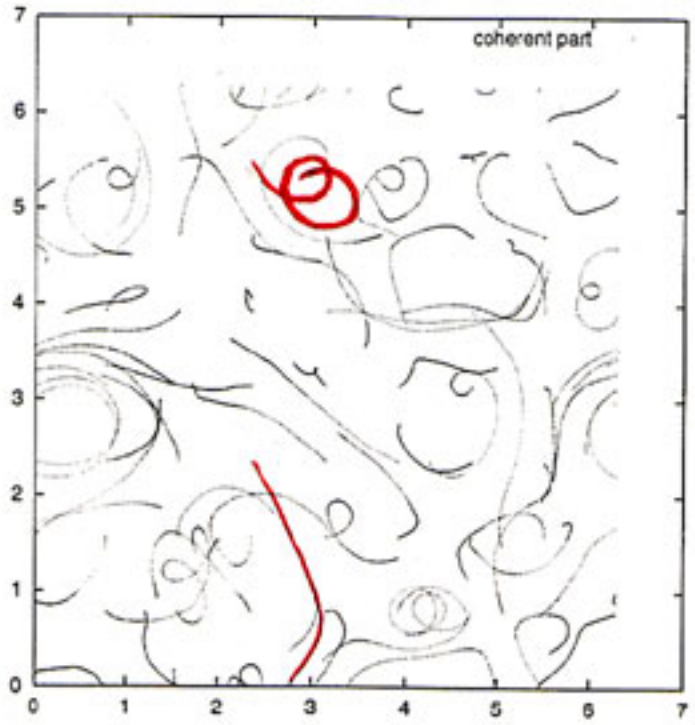


Total
flow
100% N

$$S_c = \frac{D}{D} = \infty$$

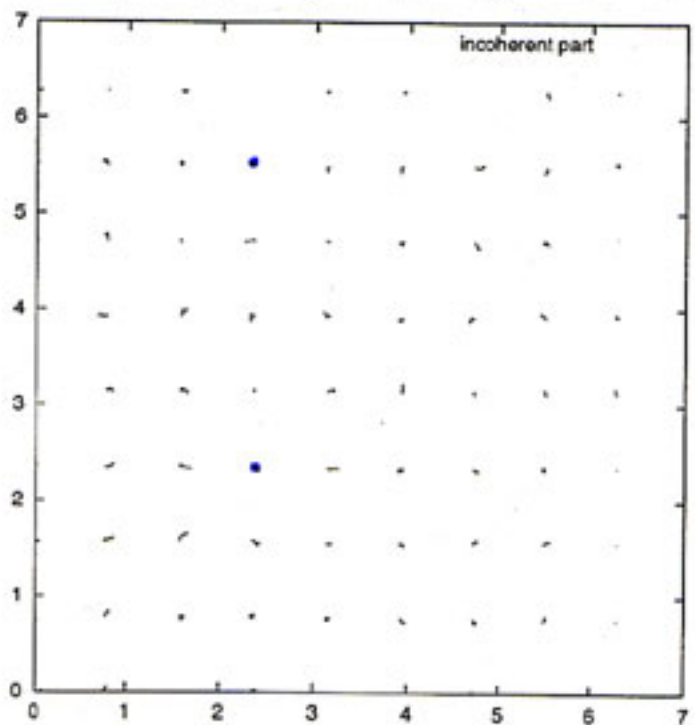


Coherent
flow
0.7% N

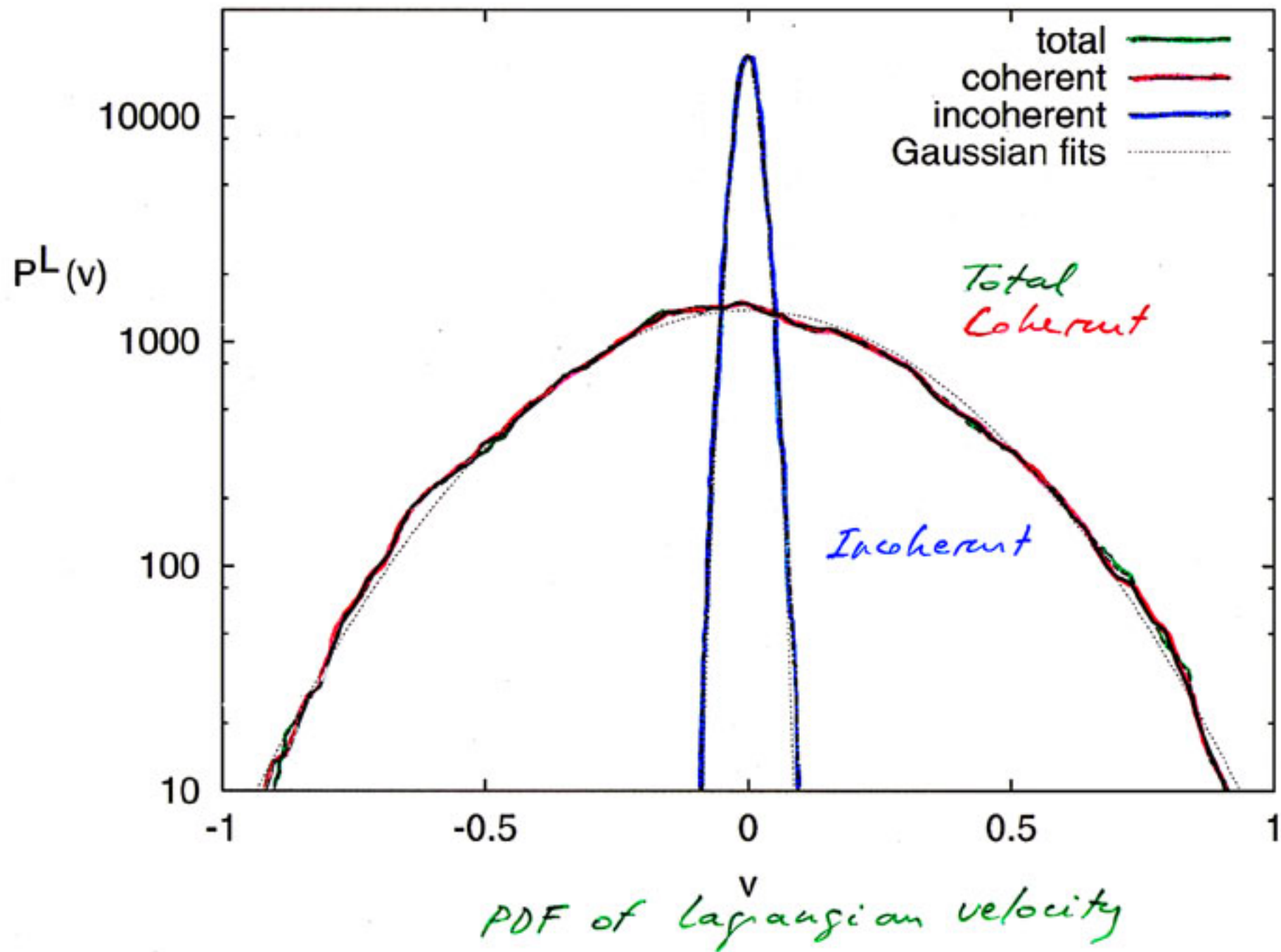


Transport
by the
coherent
vortices
velocity
field

Incoherent
flow
99.3% N



Diffusion
by
Brownian-
like motion
of the
incoherent
velocity
field



We have shown that the CVS filtering disentangles two different dynamical behaviours for scalars and particles:

1. Transport by the coherent vortices \rightarrow turbulent NC cascade with long time correlation \rightarrow strong mixing and fast production of entropy,
2. Diffusion by the incoherent background flow \rightarrow Brownian motion with short time correlation \rightarrow weak mixing and slow production of entropy, which effect can be modelled by a Langevin equation or discarded as turbulent dissipation.

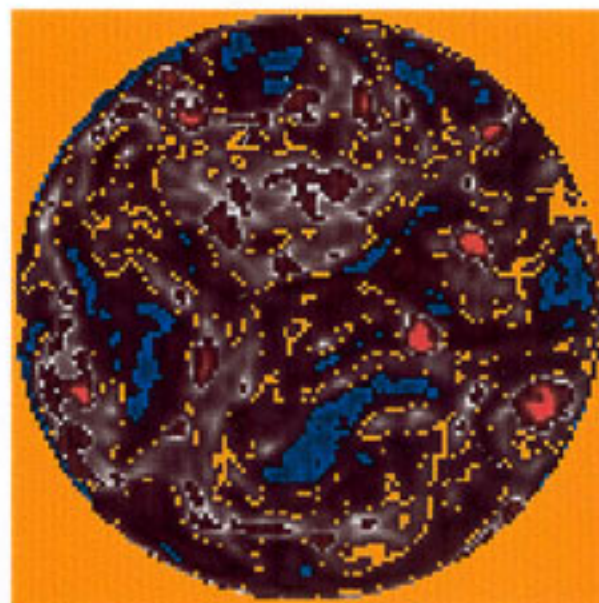
LABORATORY EXPERIMENT

$$N = 128^2$$

Total
Vorticity

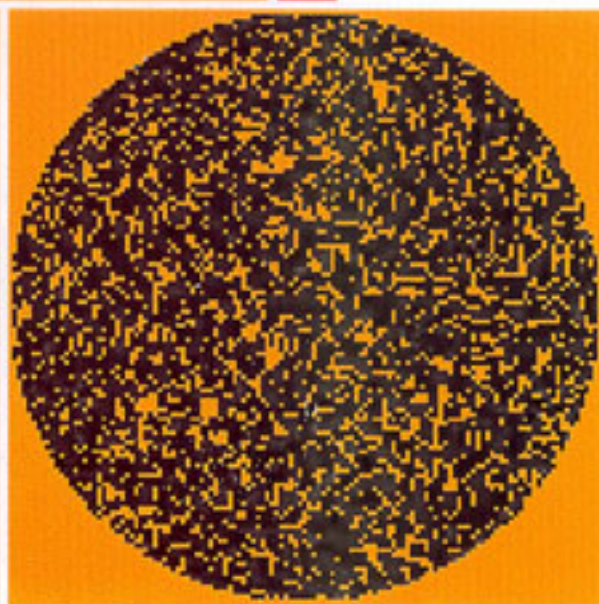
Rossby
number

$$Ro = \frac{\|w\|}{f} = 0.5$$



Reynolds
number

$$Re = \frac{\|u\| D}{\nu} = 5 \cdot 10^4$$



Coherent
Vorticity

9% N
98% E
99.9% E

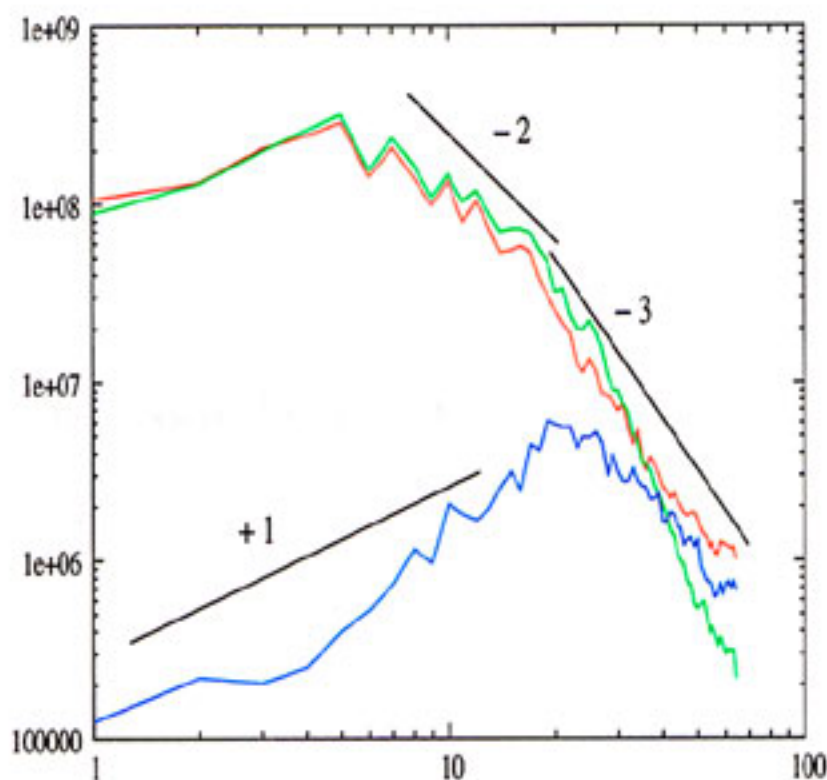
Incoherent
Vorticity

91% N
2% E
0.1% E

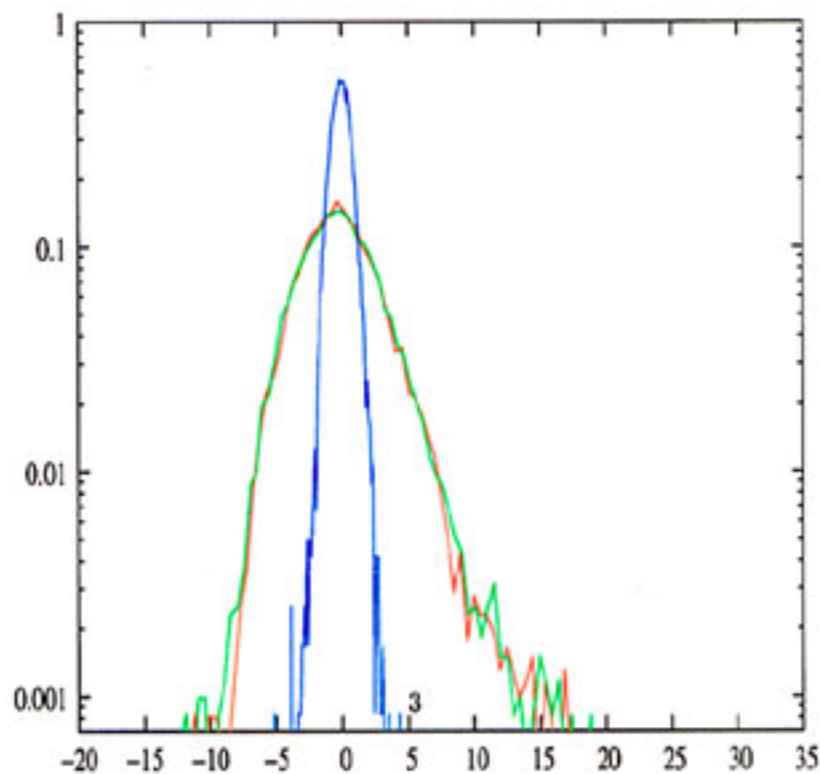
LABORATORY EXPERIMENT

$$Ro = 0.5$$

$$Re = 5 \cdot 10^4$$



Eustropley spectrum



PDF of vorticity

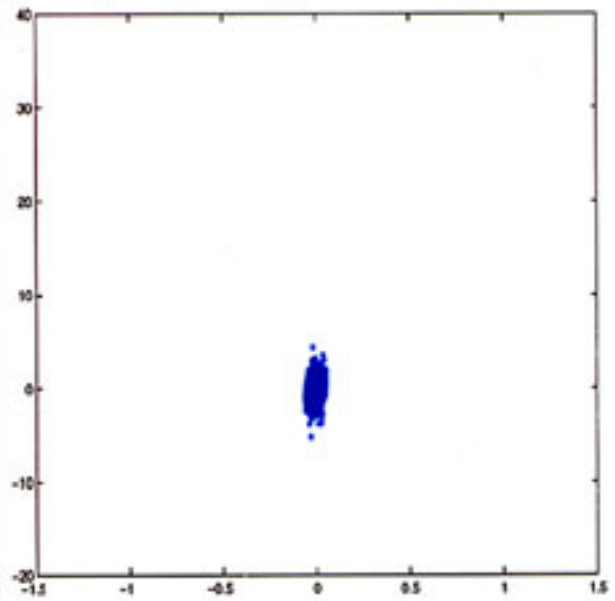
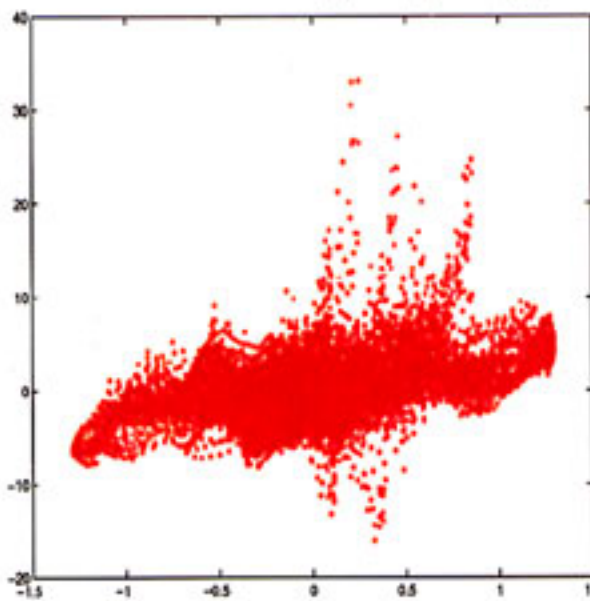
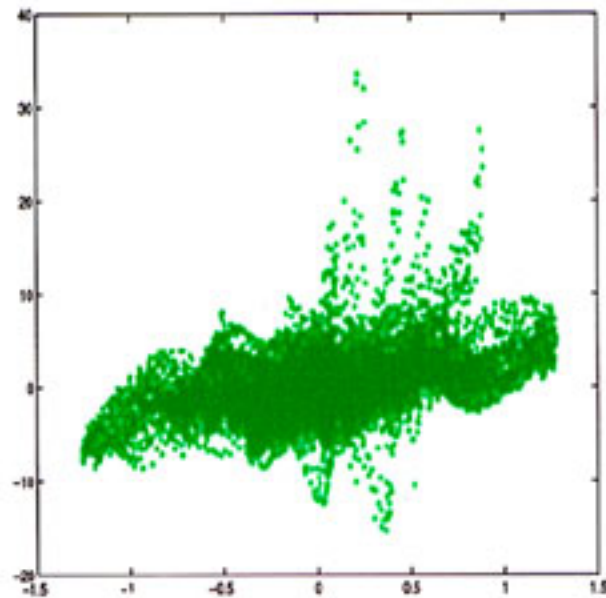
LABORATORY EXPERIMENT

Coherence function F

$$\omega = F(\psi)$$

$$R_0 = 0.5$$

$$Re = 5 \cdot 10^4$$

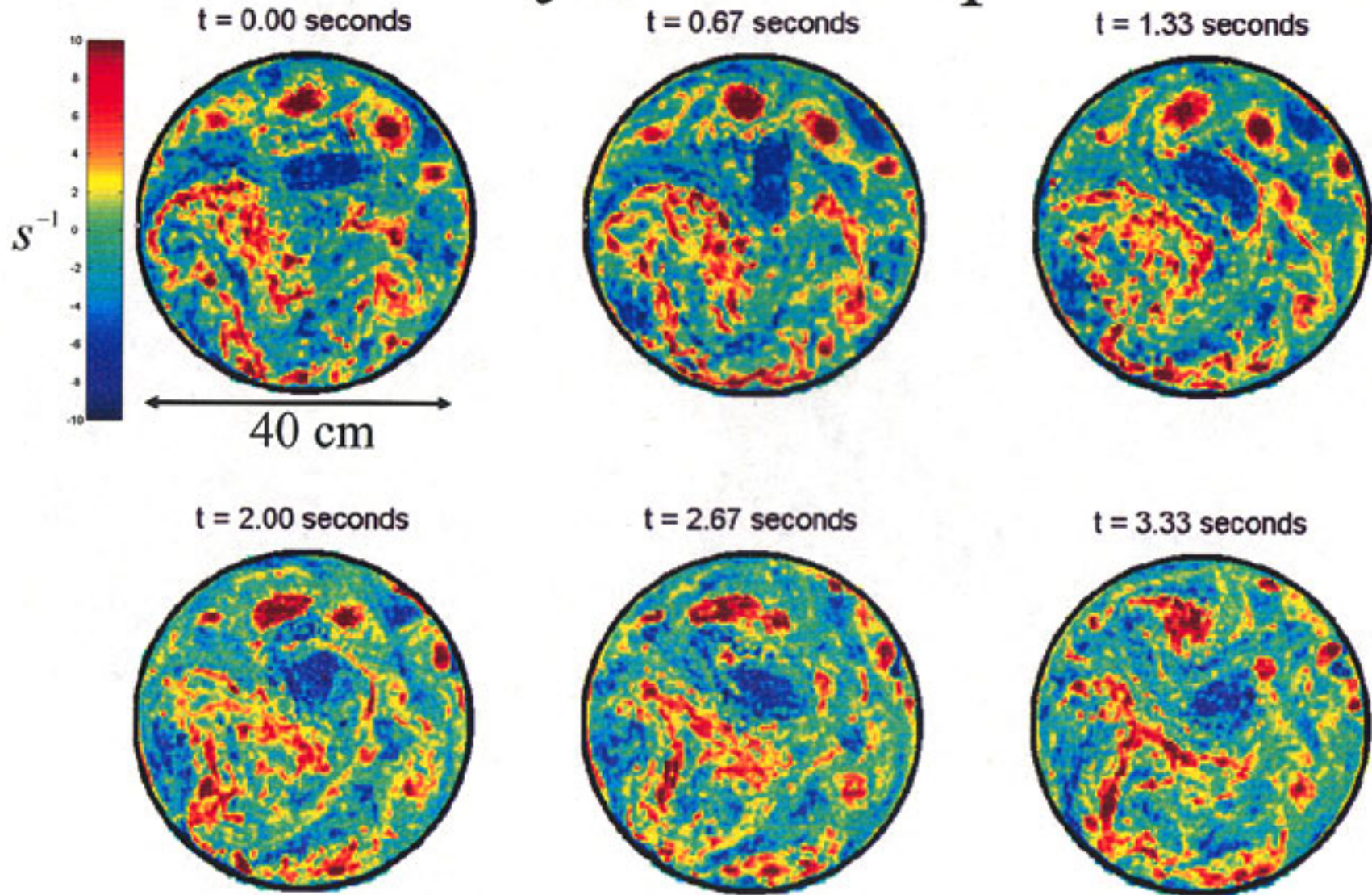


$$\omega_c = F_c(\psi_c)$$

$$\omega_L = F_L(\psi_L)$$

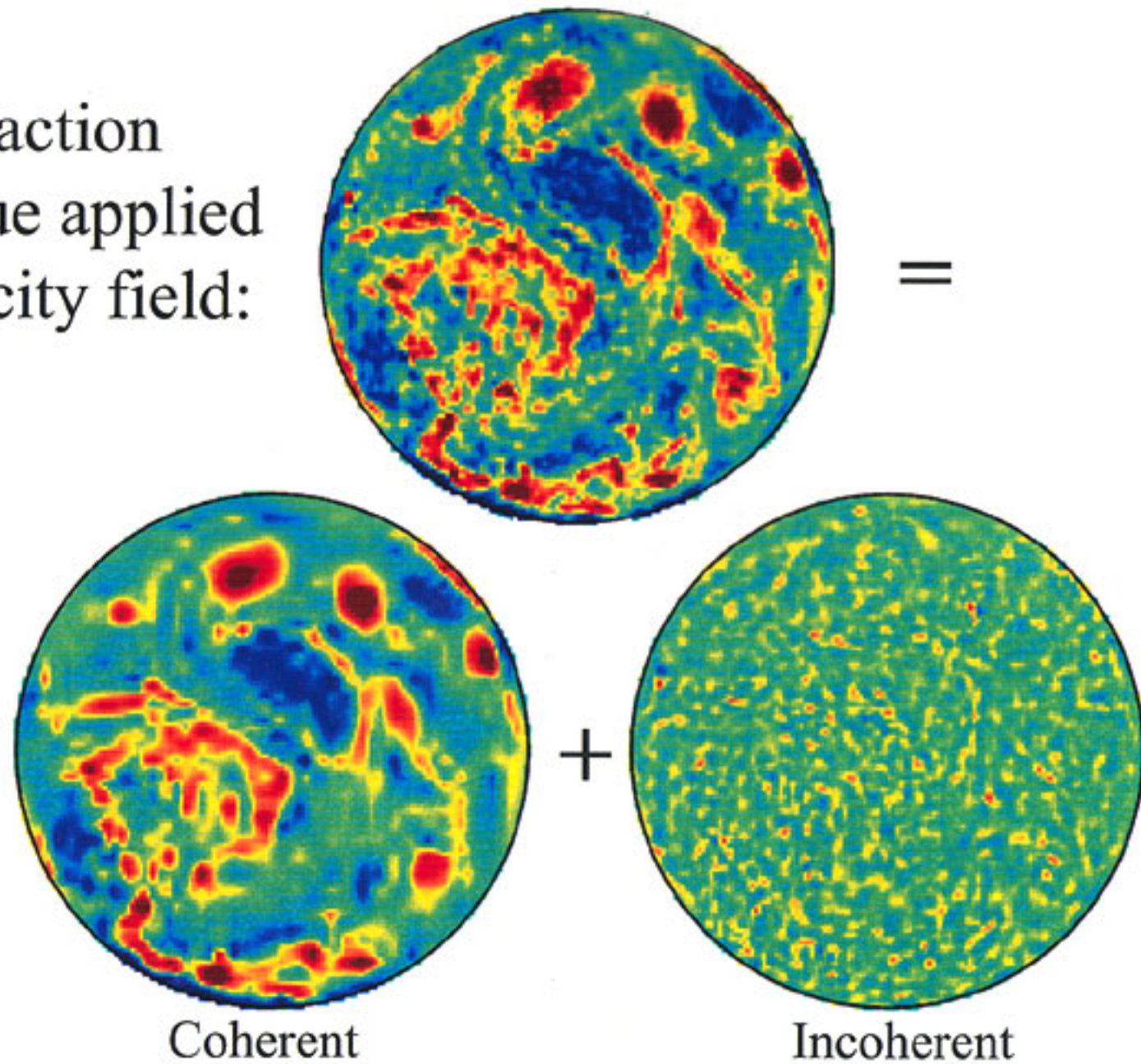
Vorticity Field Snapshots

*measured
by PIV*



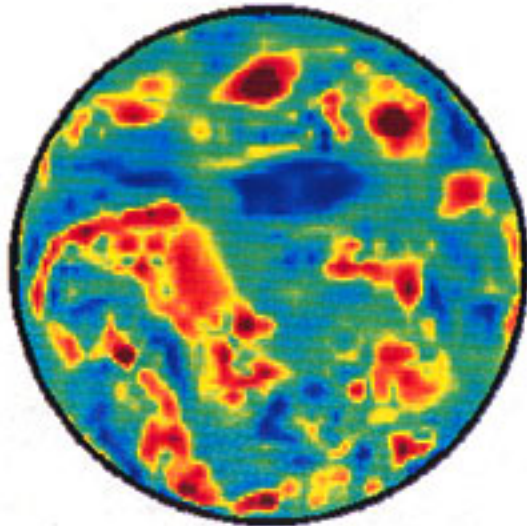
*LABORATORY EXPERIMENT IN ROTATING TANK
Jori Rupert-Felset, Eran Sharon, Harry Swinney*

Extraction
technique applied
to vorticity field:

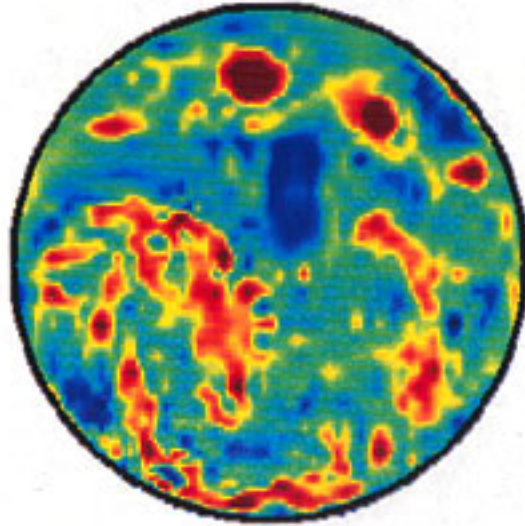


Coherent Fields

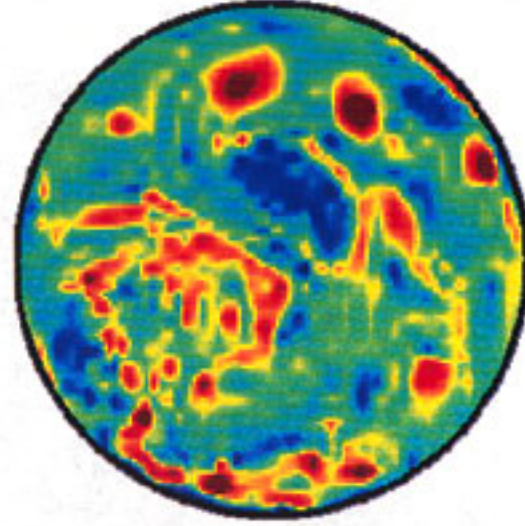
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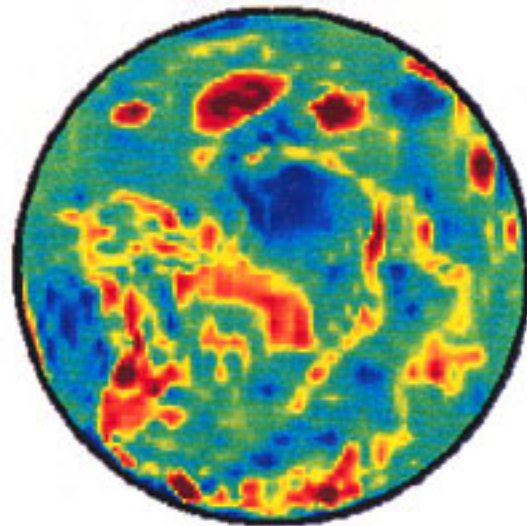
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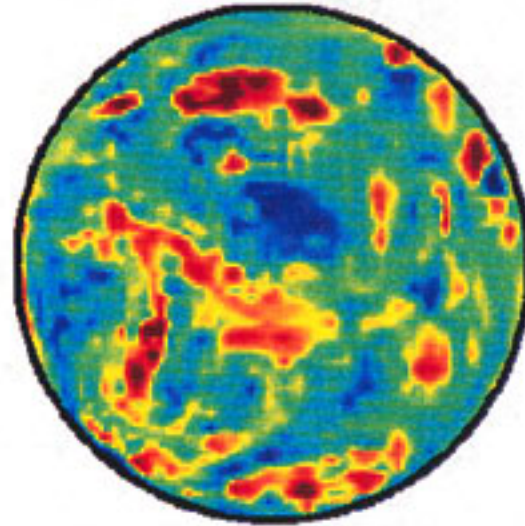
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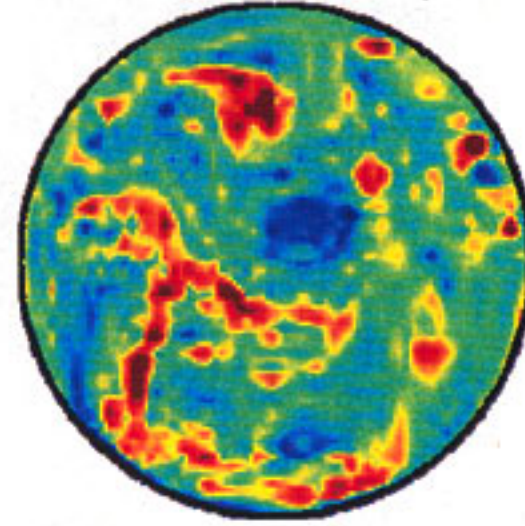
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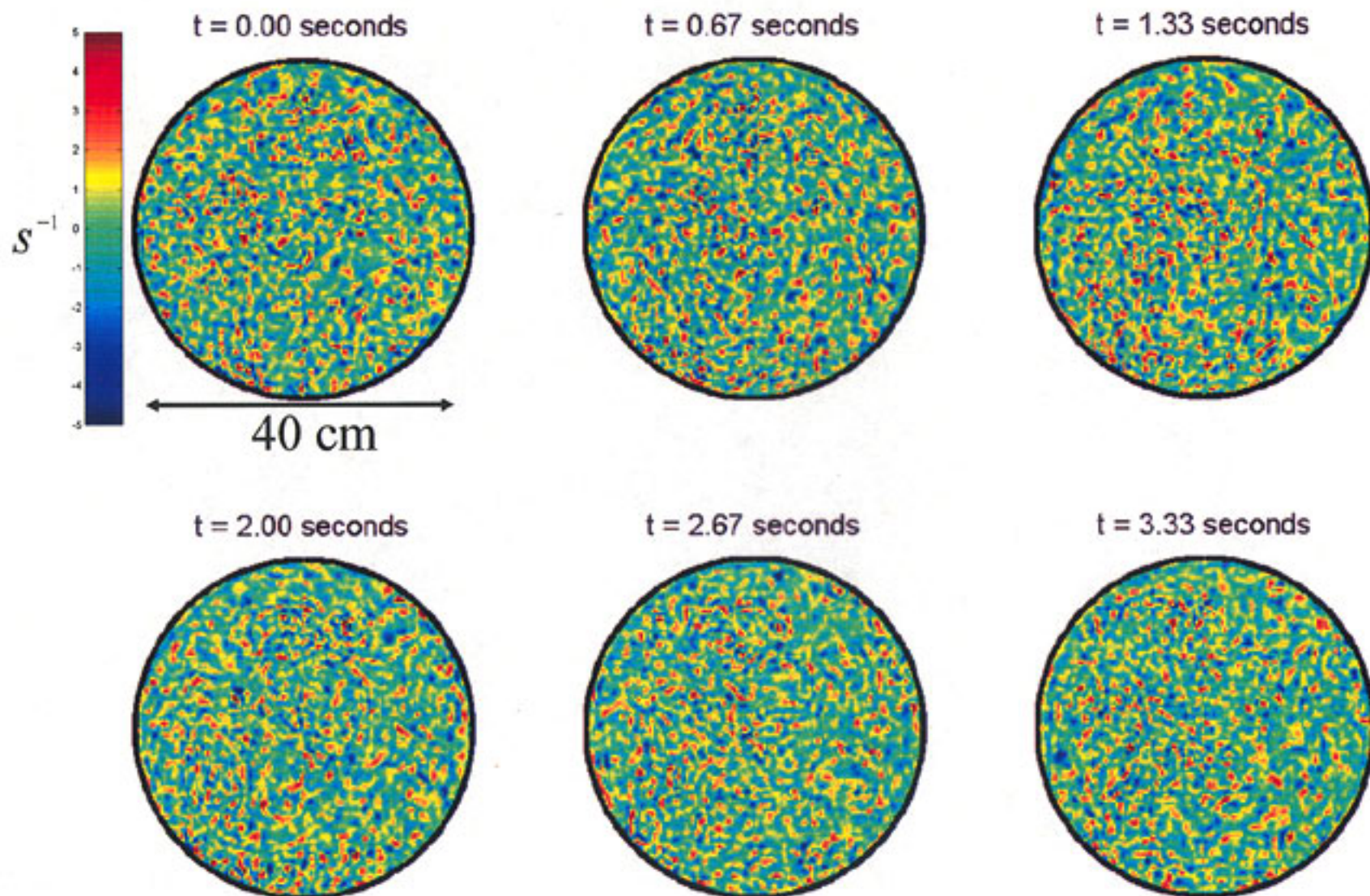


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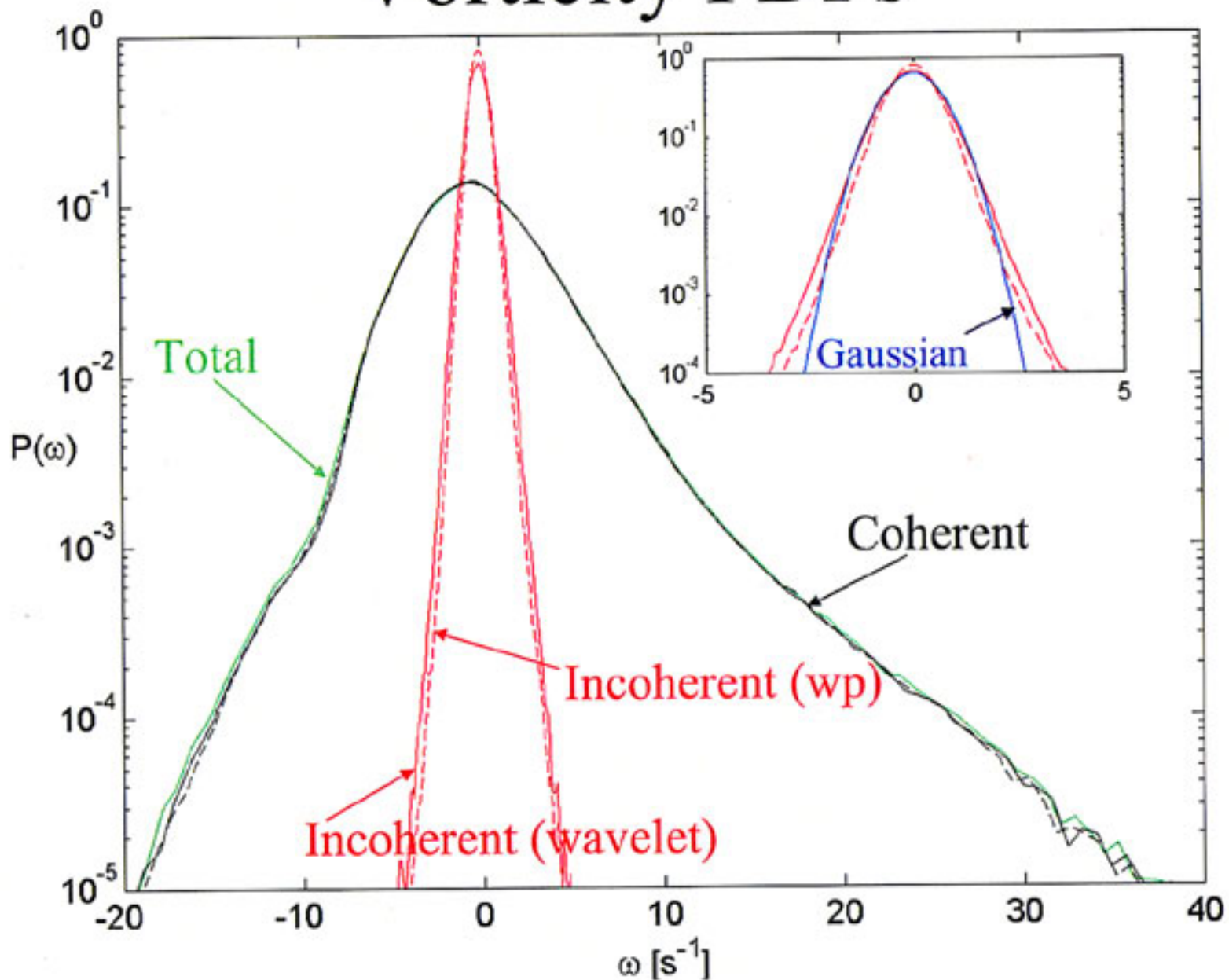
Coherent, long-range correlated, Gaussian

Remainder Fields



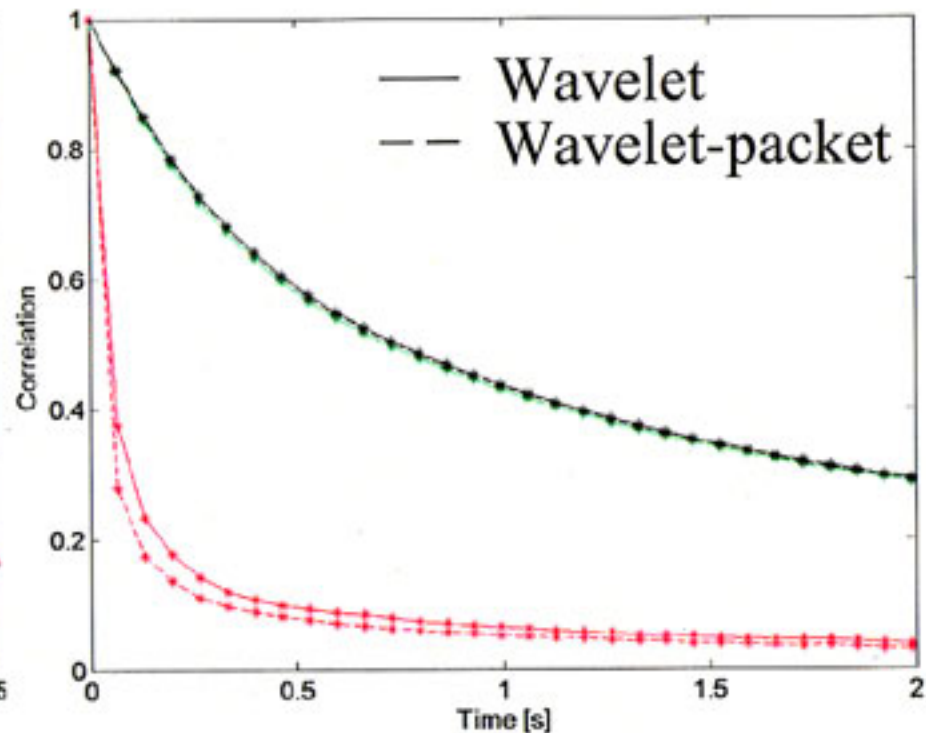
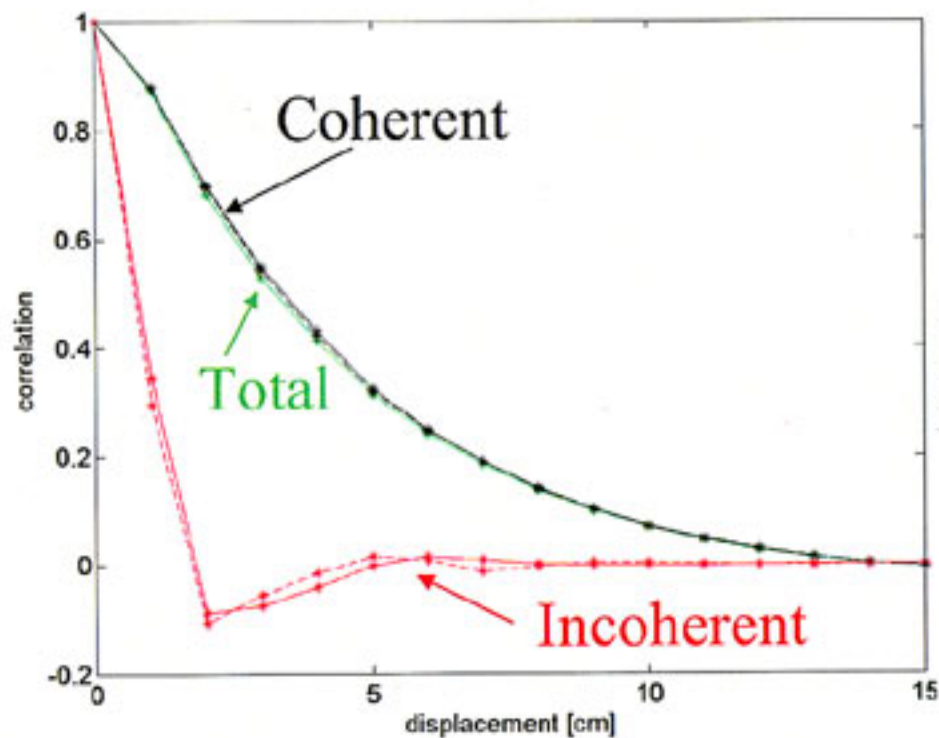
Incoherent, decorrelated, Gaussian

Vorticity PDFs



Temporal and spatial correlations

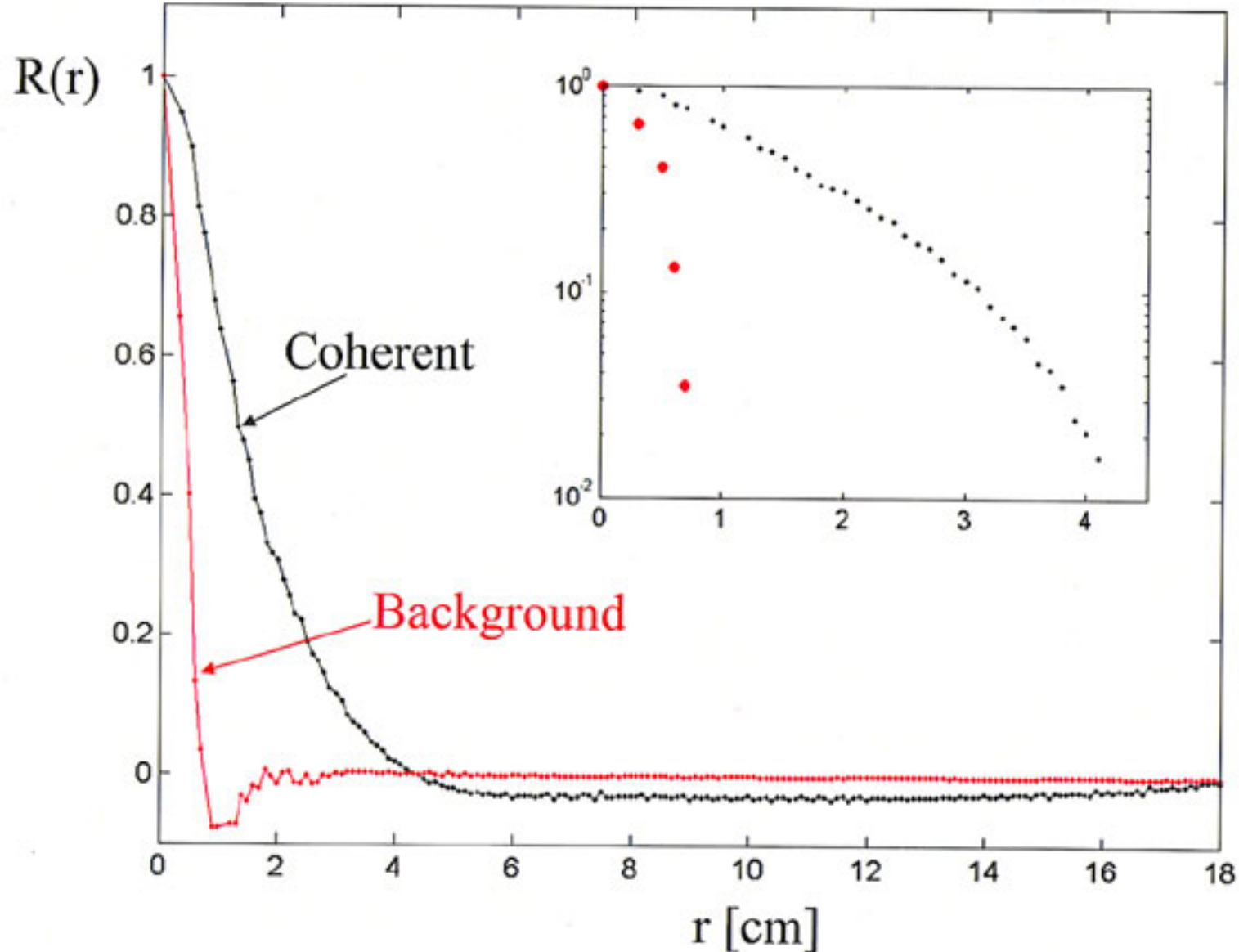
Both wavelet and wavelet-packet coherent component retain long time and spatial correlations



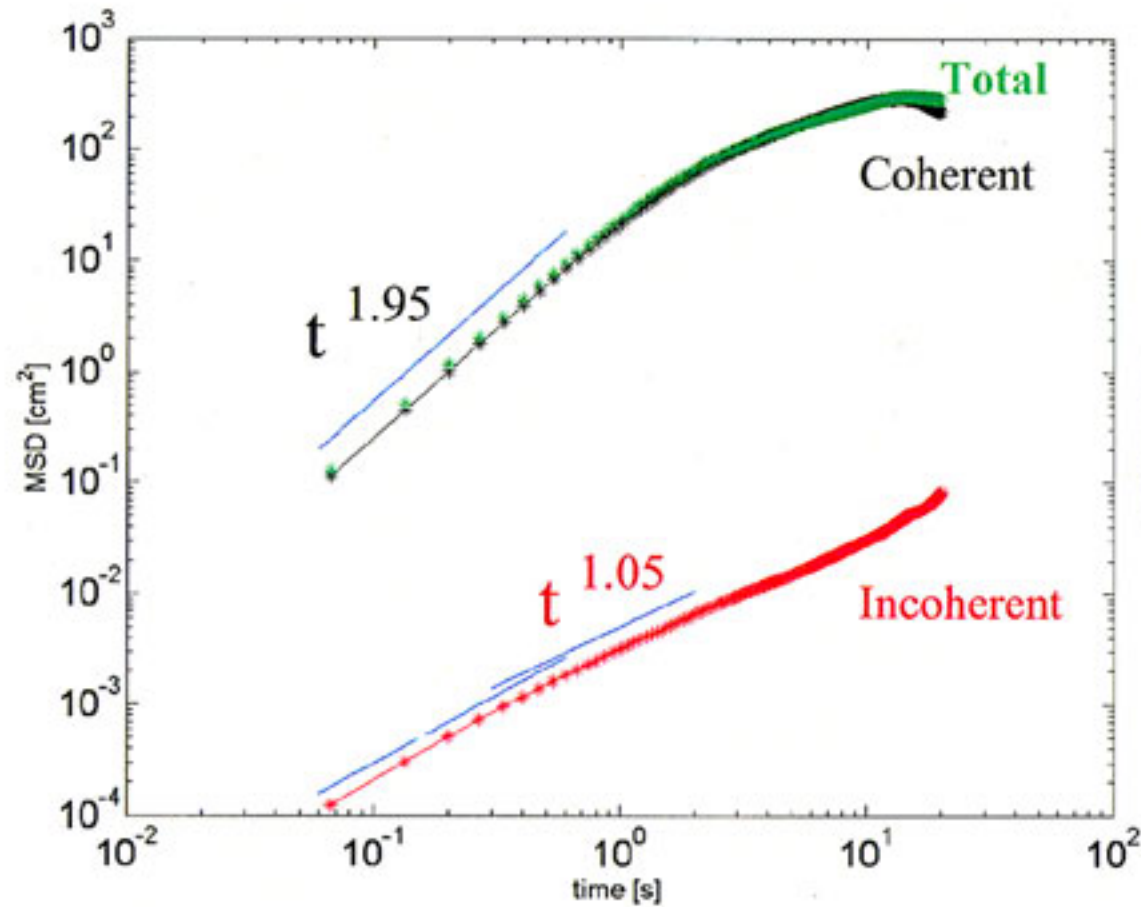
$$\frac{\langle \omega(|x|, t) \omega(|x| + r, t) \rangle}{\langle \omega^2 \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle \omega(x, t) \omega(x, t + s) \rangle}{\langle \omega^2 \rangle}$$

Spatial Correlation $\frac{\langle \omega(|x|, t) \omega(|x| + r, t) \rangle}{\langle \omega^2 \rangle}$



Tracer particle MSD



Coherent: flight-like dispersion

Incoherent: close to random walk

CHARACTERIZATION OF COHERENT VORTICES

2D:  ω_i 3D:  $\gamma_i / \tilde{\omega}_i$

- They correspond to elliptic regions which are stable (≤ 0 Lyapunov exponents)
 \Rightarrow there is no mixing as long as they are isolated, but when they interact: filamentation & dissipation
- They are highly intermittent, i.e. their support is rare in space and time \Rightarrow they disappear in low-order statistics (L^2 norm) for $k \rightarrow \infty$.
- They have non-Gaussian PDFs \Rightarrow they dominate the total PDFs.
- They can be described by a small number of degrees of freedom \Rightarrow non-equilibrium state which cannot be statistically modelled (the Central Limit Theorem cannot be used).

CHARACTERIZATION OF INCOHERENT BACKGROUND



- It corresponds to hypersolic regions which are unstable (> 0 Lyapunov exponents)
 \Rightarrow there is strong mixing
- It is non-intermittent, i.e. its support is dense in space and time \Rightarrow it dominates low-order statistics (L^2 norm) for $k \rightarrow \infty$
- It has narrower PDFs \Rightarrow it disappears in the total PDFs.
- We need a large number of degrees of freedom of the basis we use \Rightarrow they correspond to an equilibrium state which can be statistically modelled (the Central Limit Theorem is used to define averages)

EXTENSION TO 3D

Vorticity becomes a vector and there is now vortex stretching.

But we still should rely on:

- Biot-Savart $\vec{V} = \nabla \times \nabla^{-2} \vec{\omega}$,

- Incompressibility $\nabla \cdot \vec{V} = 0$,

- Helmholtz' theorem

to design 3D numerical codes.

The basic elements should be vortex tubes Ω_i and the important dynamical quantity to compute should be circulation

$$\Gamma_i = \int_{\Omega_i} \vec{\omega} = \oint_{\partial \Omega_i} \vec{V}$$



Each vortex tube should be represented as a superposition of wavelets corresponding to its internal degrees of freedom.

3D TURBULENT FLOWS

CVS FILTERING

cf. { Phys. Rev. Lett., 87, 5, 30th July 2001
Phys. Fluids, 11, 8, 1999
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Nonlinear filtering of
the wavelet coefficients
of vorticity

Total Vorticity

$$\tilde{\omega}_i = \langle \omega_i | \Psi \rangle$$

$i=1,2,3$

Coherent Vorticity
if $|\tilde{\omega}_i| > \varepsilon$

Incoherent Vorticity
if $|\tilde{\omega}_i| \leq \varepsilon$

with $\varepsilon = \left(\frac{4}{3} \varepsilon \log N\right)^{1/2}$
universal threshold

$$\vec{\omega}_c = |\Psi\rangle \langle \tilde{\omega}_c|$$

$$\vec{\omega}_I = |\Psi\rangle \langle \tilde{\omega}_I|$$

$$\vec{\omega} = \vec{\omega}_c + \vec{\omega}_I$$

Coherent Velocity

Incoherent Velocity

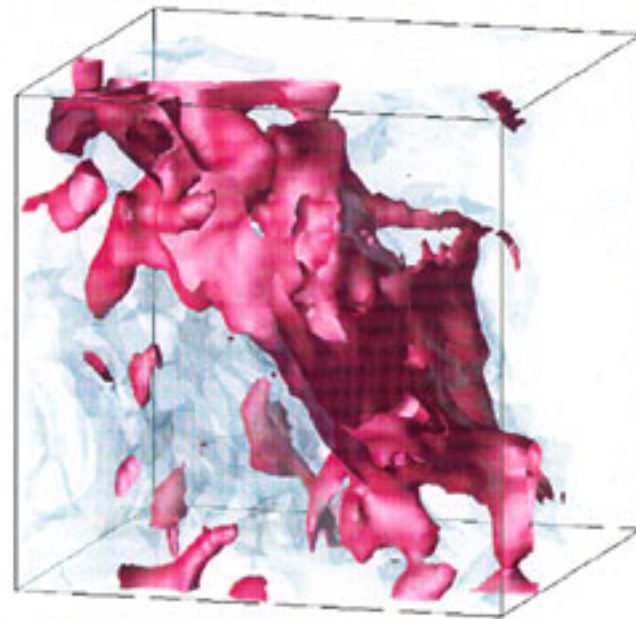
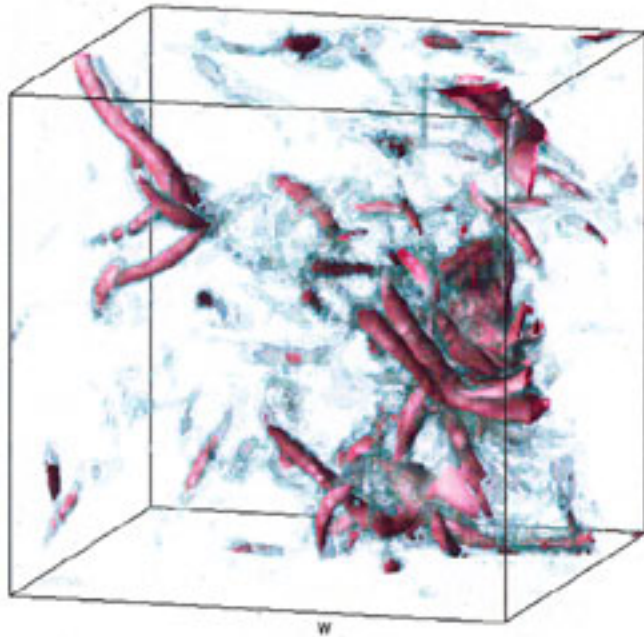
$$\vec{V}_c = \nabla \times (\nabla^{-2} \vec{\omega}_c)$$

$$\vec{V}_I = \nabla \times (\nabla^{-2} \vec{\omega}_I)$$

$$\vec{V} = \vec{V}_c + \vec{V}_I$$

DNS

HOMOGENEOUS ISOTROPIC TURBULENT
FLOW AT $Re_\lambda = 150$



computed by Vincent & Meneguzzi

Isosurfaces of vorticity
Resolution 256^3
 $Re_\lambda = 150$

Isosurfaces of velocity

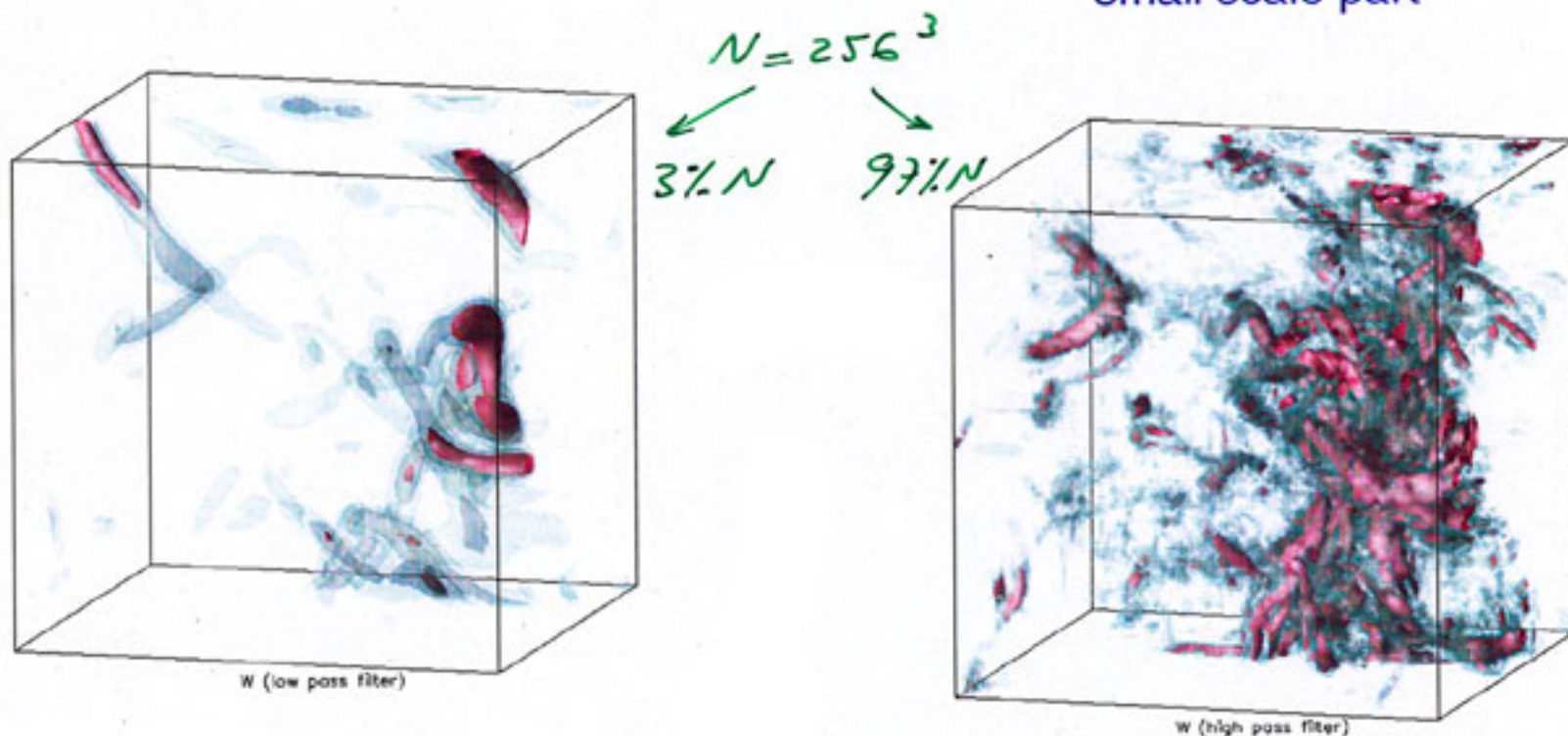
Resolution $N = 256^3$

LES: Fourier filtering

Same as POD for homogeneous isotropic turbulent flow

large scale part

small scale part



Isosurfaces of vorticity

3% # Coefficients $(|\vec{\omega}| = 3\sigma, 4\sigma, 5\sigma$
 64% Z $\sigma = \sqrt{2z})$
 99.1% E

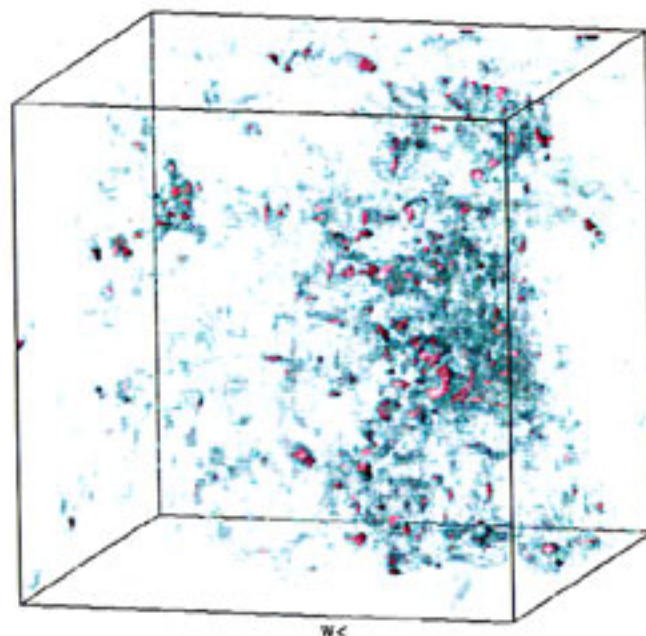
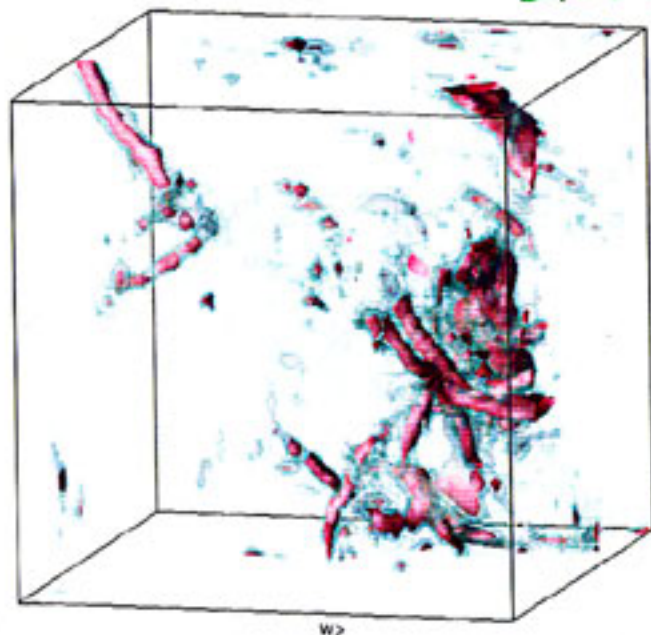
97% # Coefficients $(|\vec{\omega}| = 3/2\sigma$
 36% Z $2\sigma, 5/2\sigma)$
 0.9% E

CVS: Wavelet filtering

coherent part

$N = 256^3$
 $3\% N$ $97\% N$

incoherent part

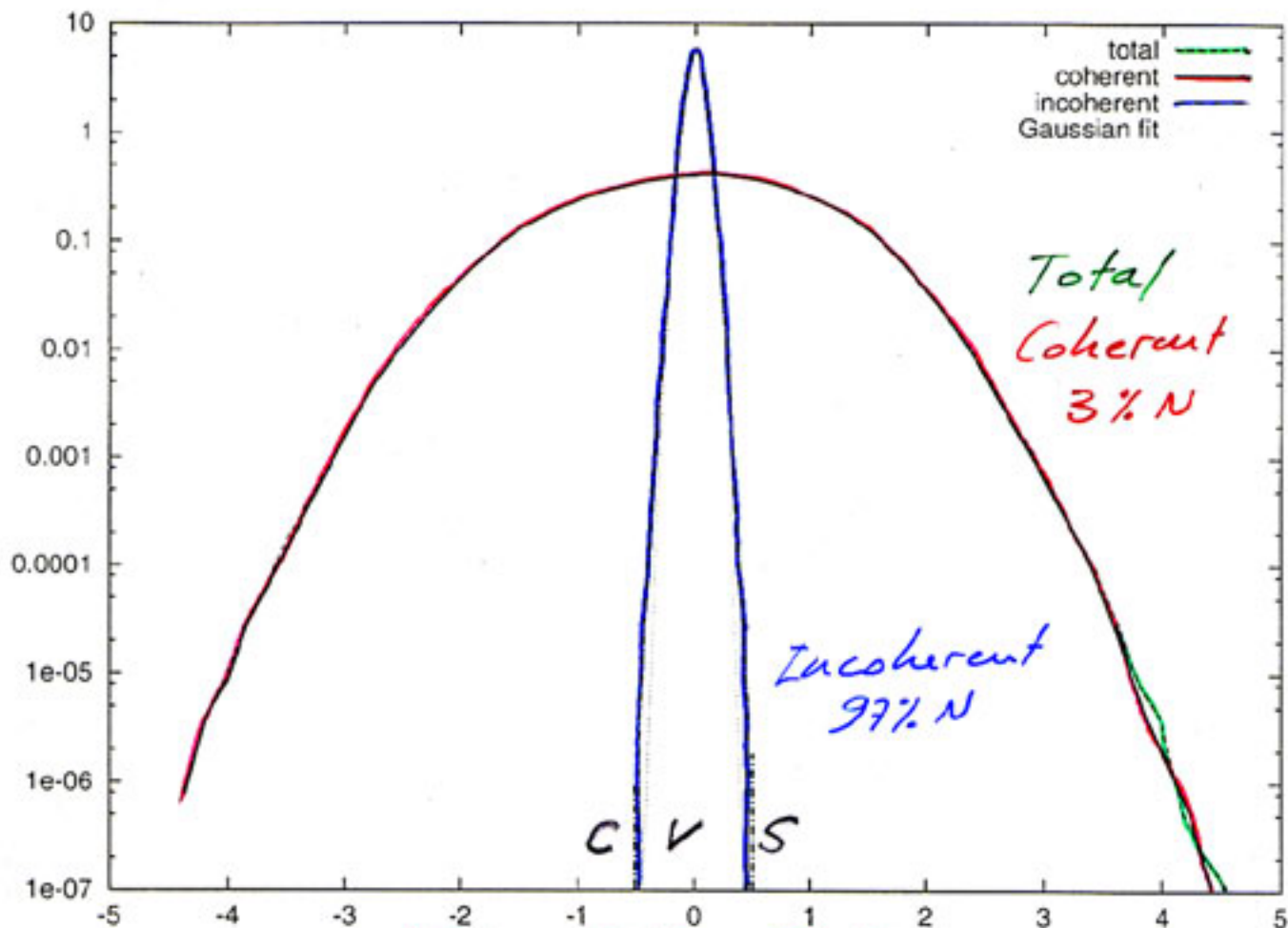


3% # WLC
 75% Z
 98.9% E

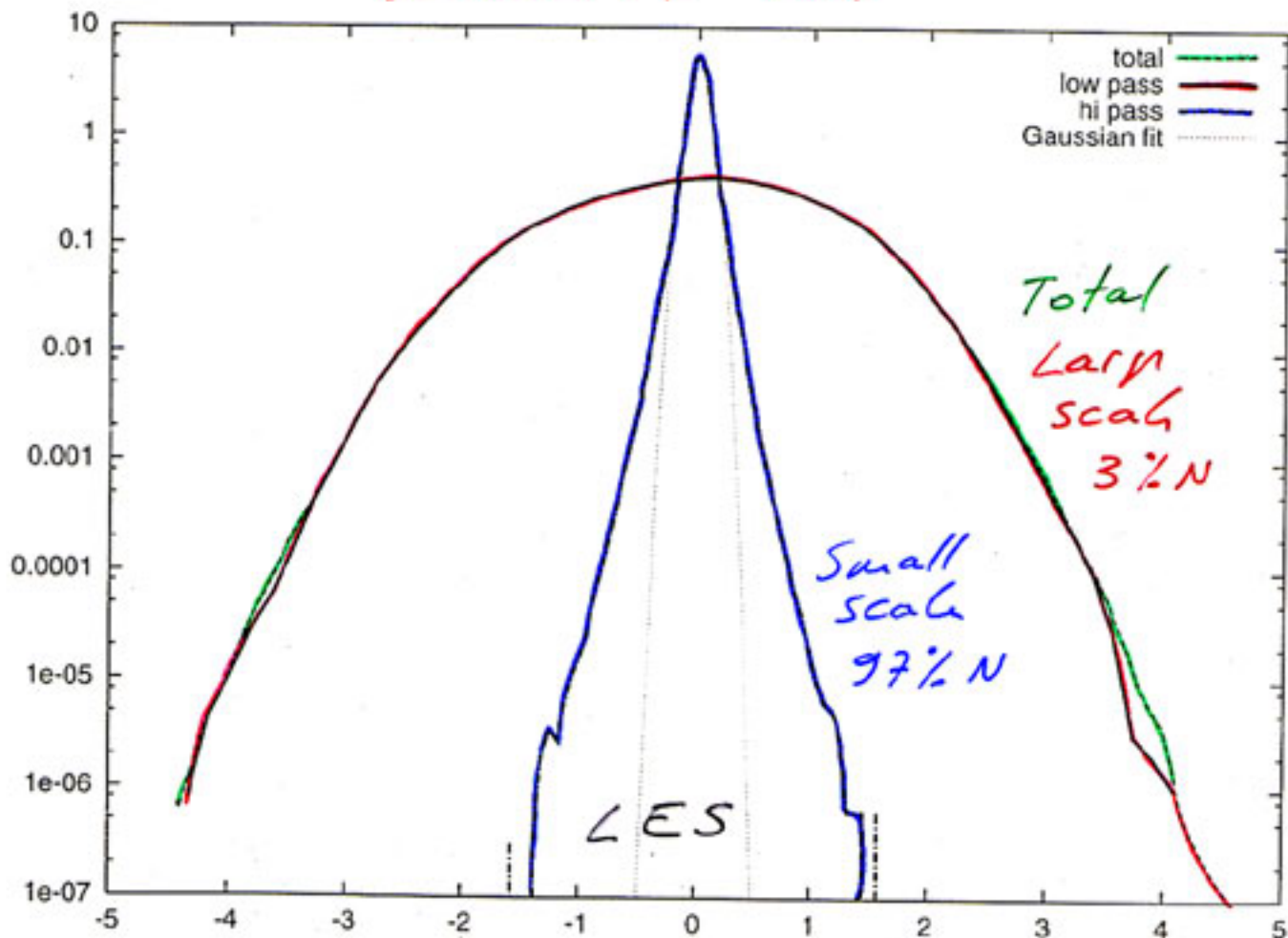
Isosurfaces of vorticity
 $(3\sigma, 4\sigma, 5\sigma)$
 $\sigma = \sqrt{2z}$

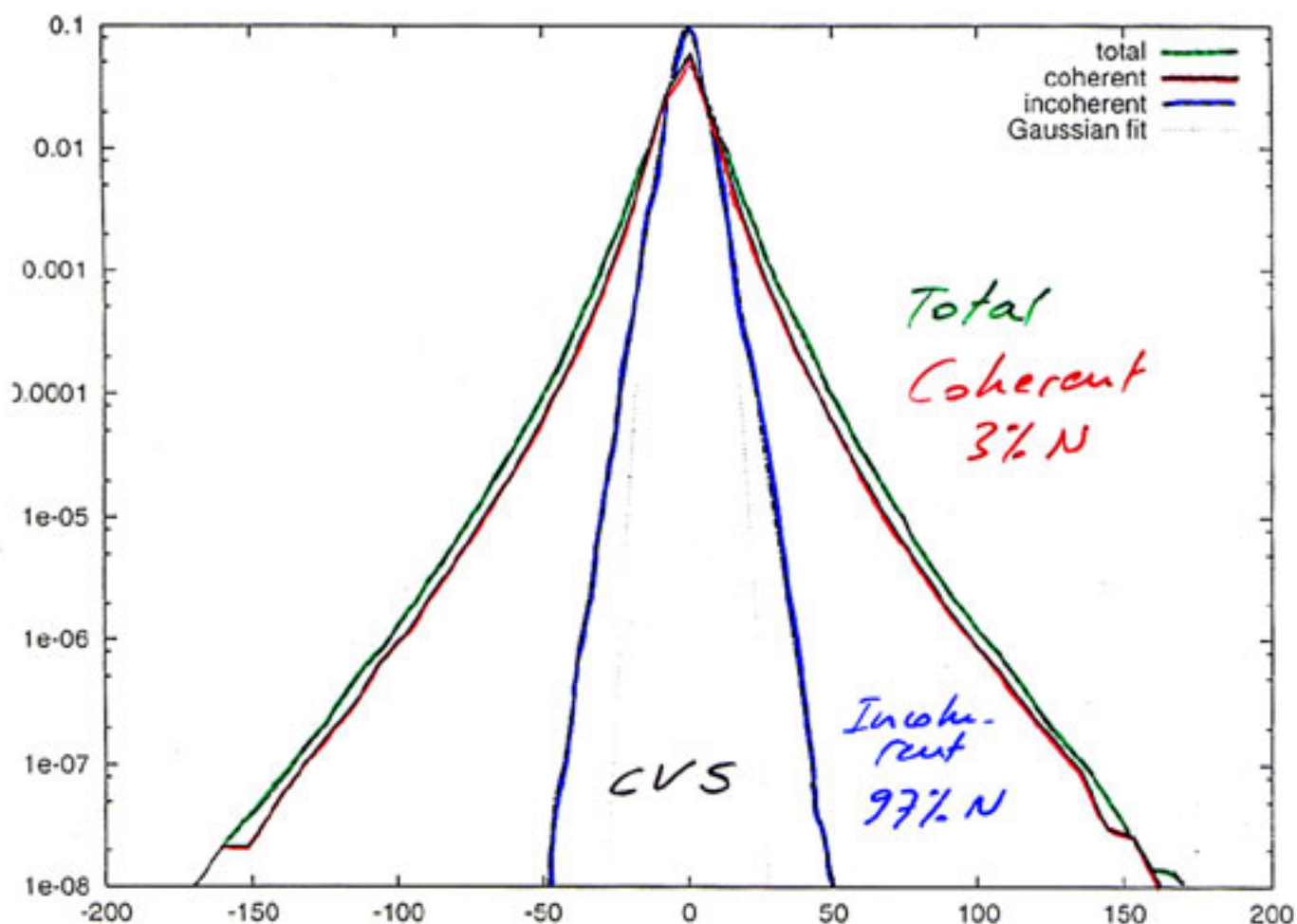
97% # WLC
 25% Z
 0.6% E

$(|\vec{\omega}| = 3/2\sigma, 2\sigma, 5/2\sigma)$

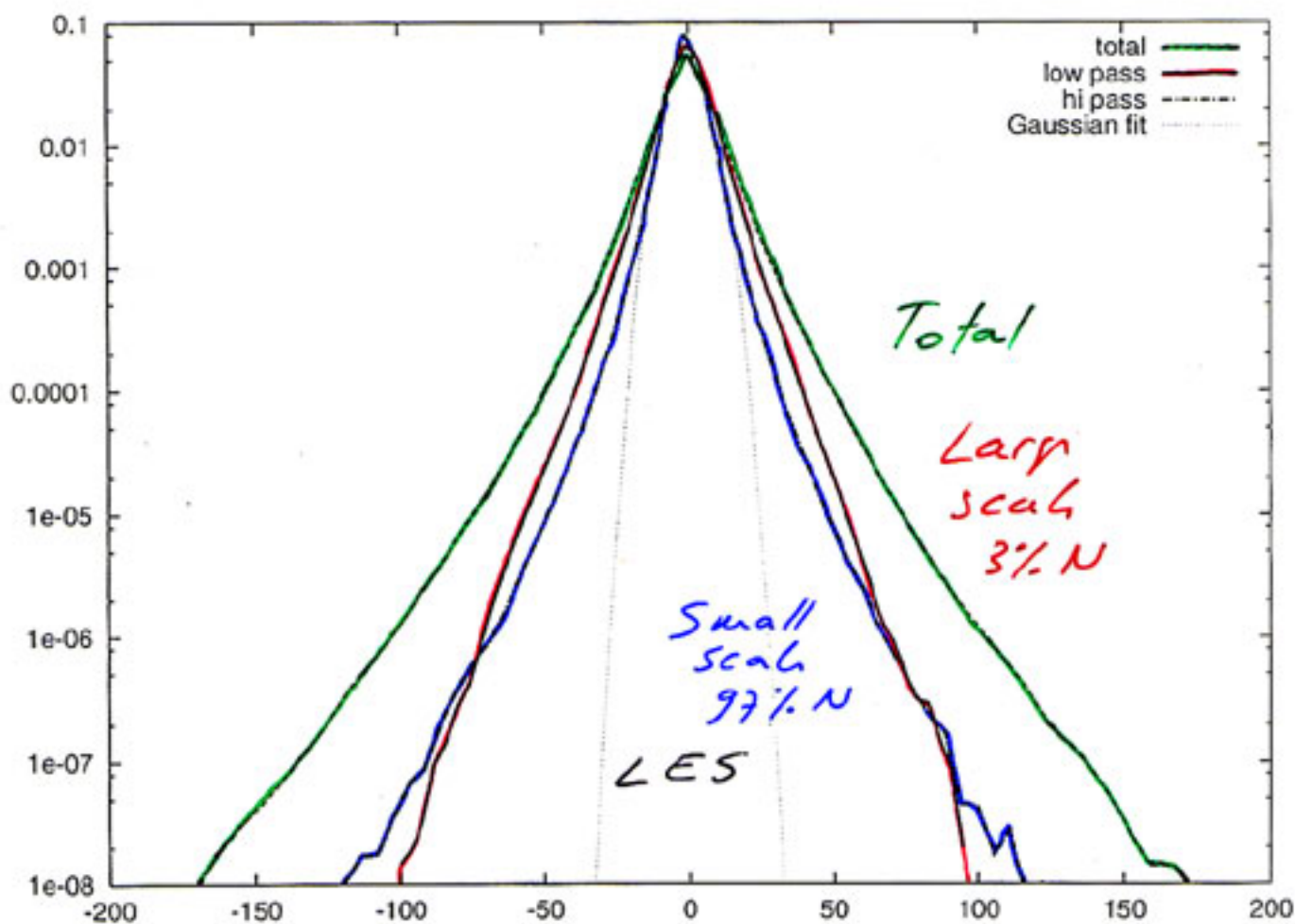


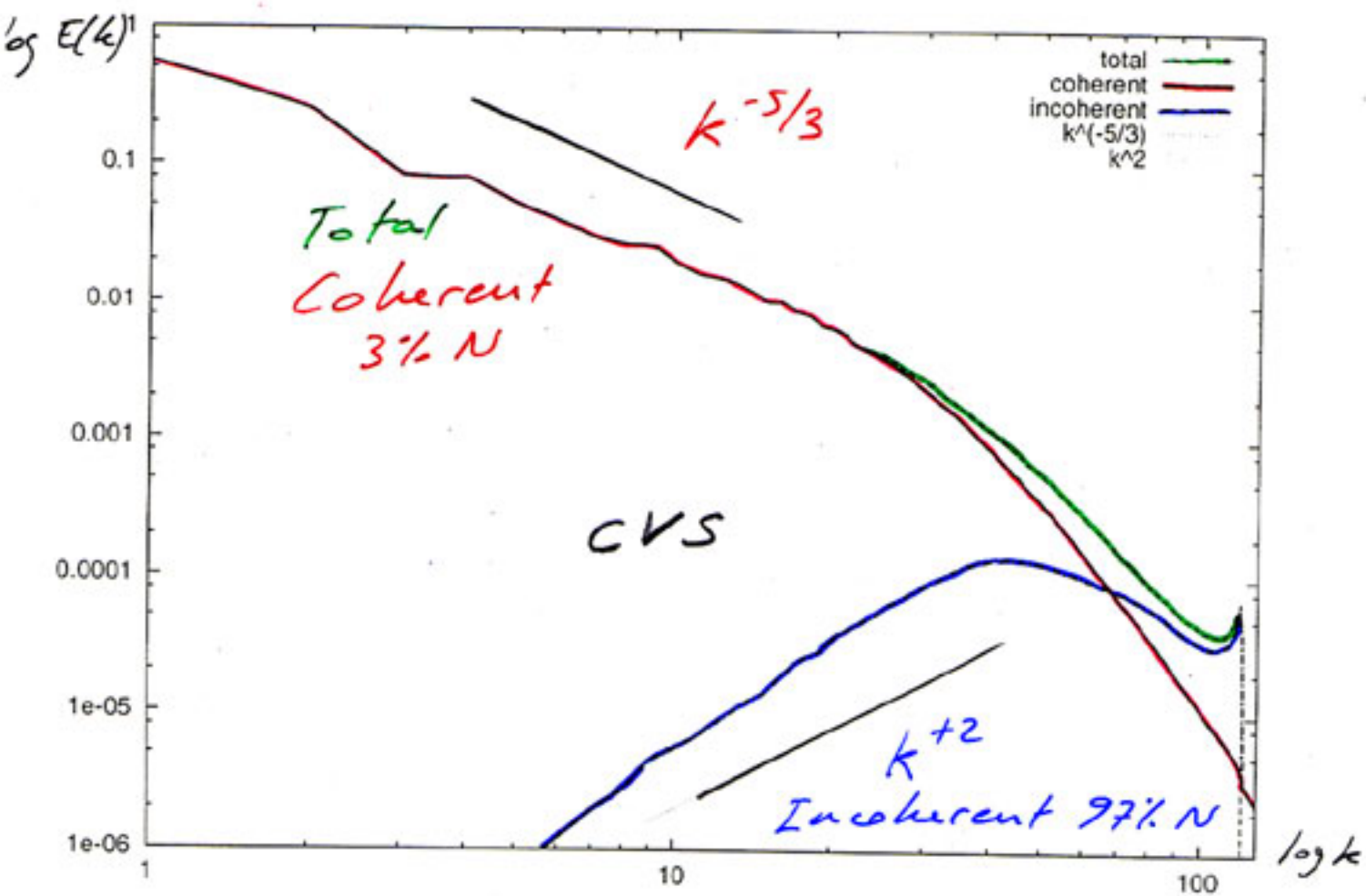
VELOCITY PDF



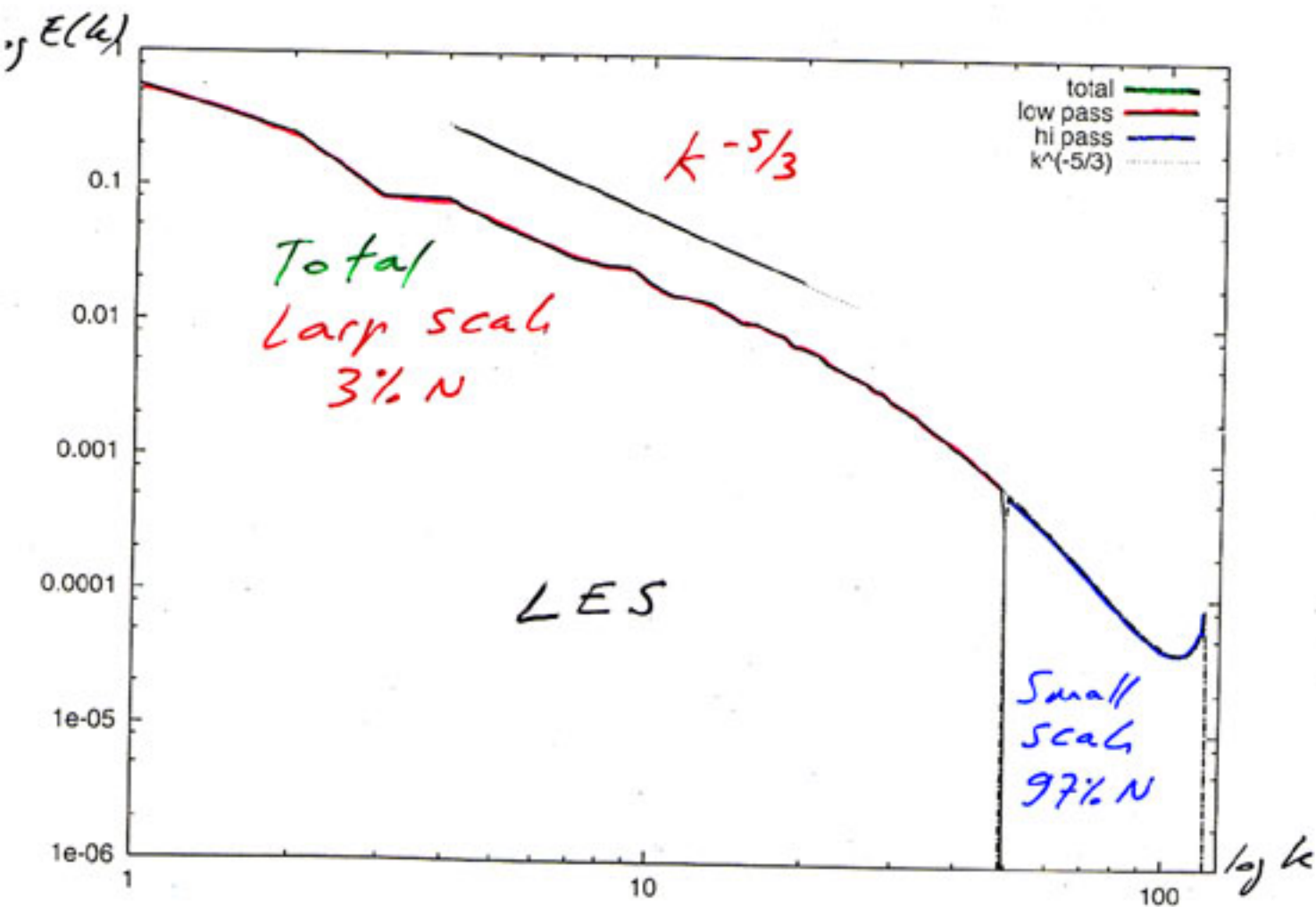


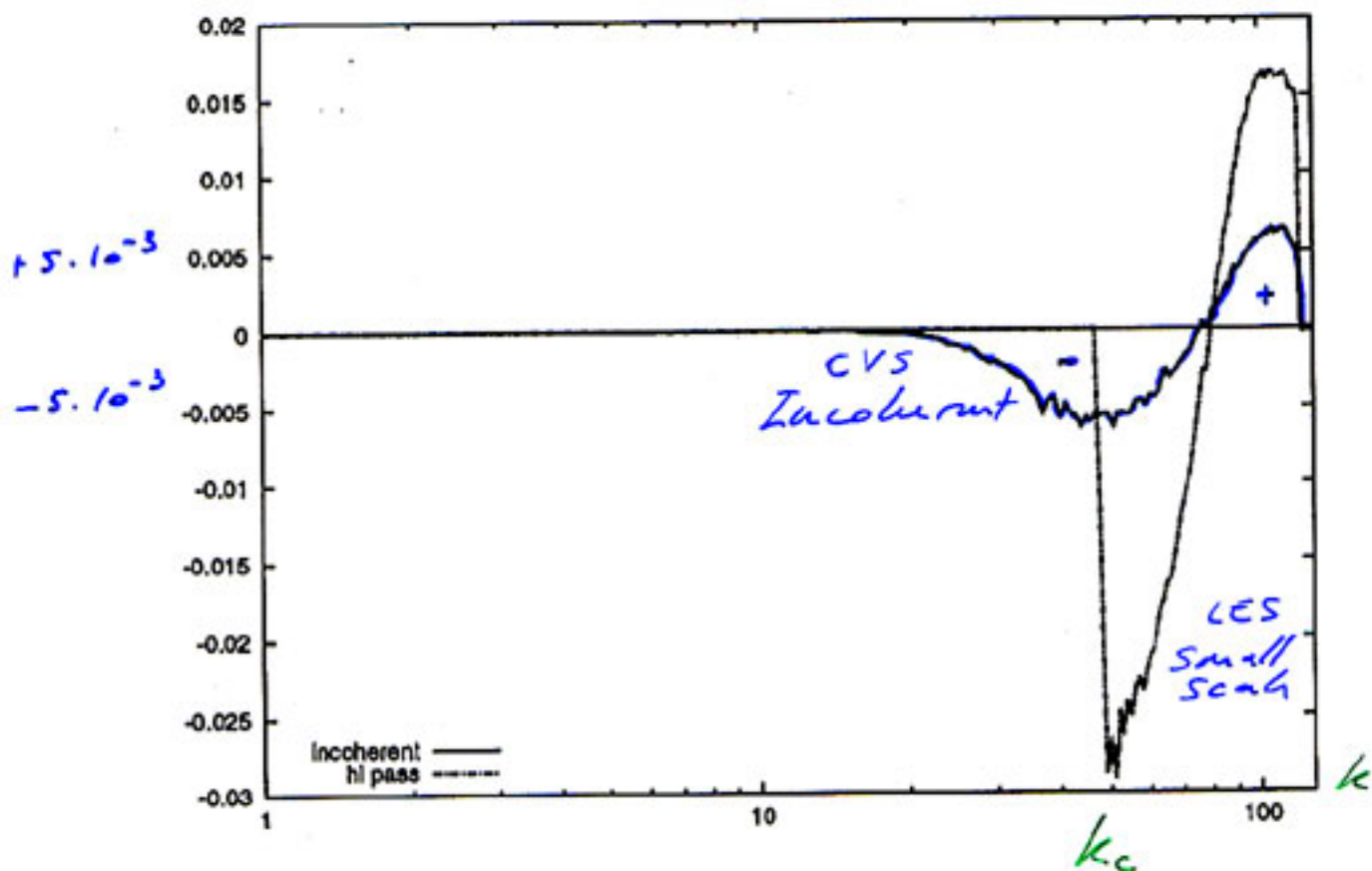
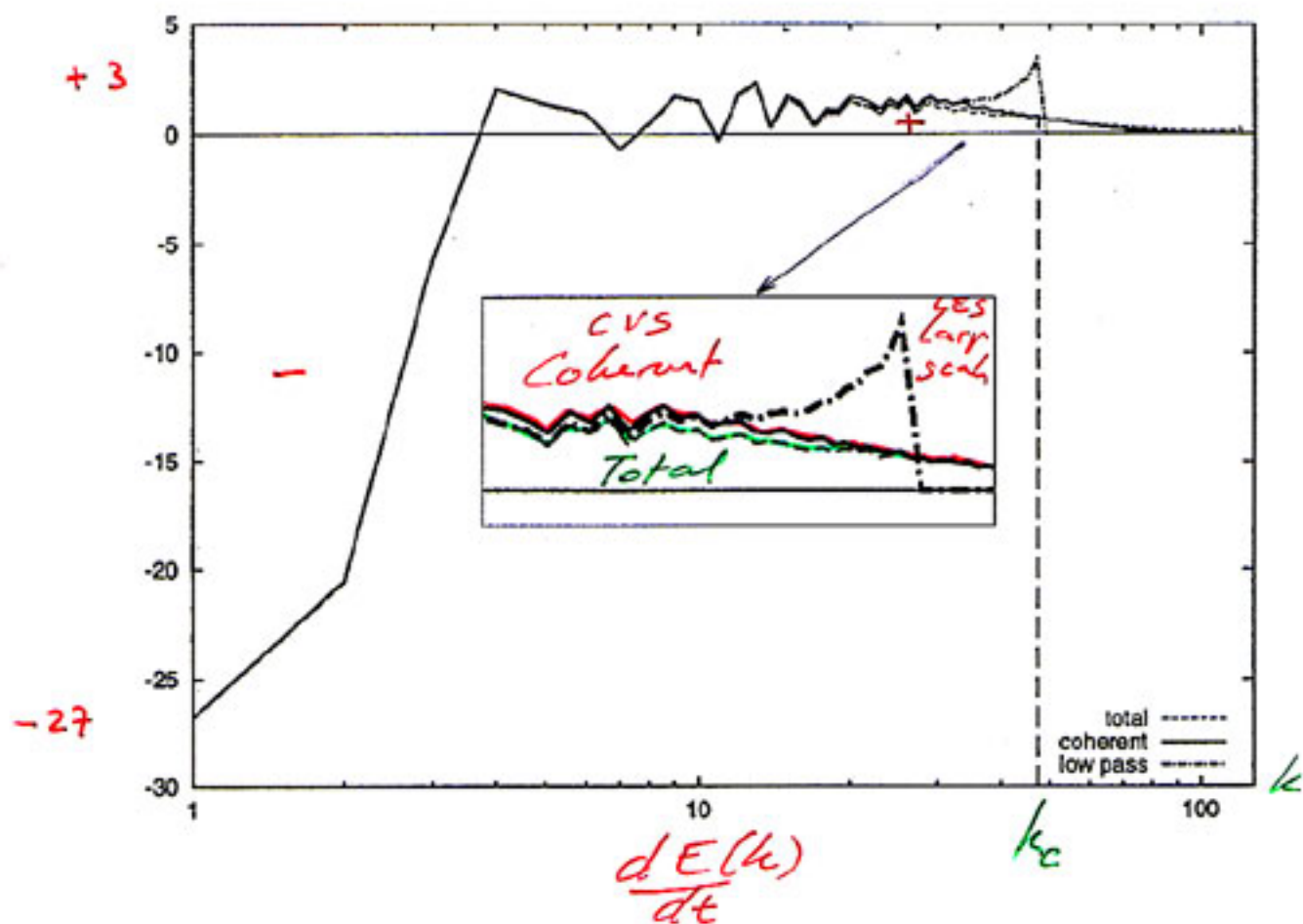
VORTICITY PDF





ENERGY SPECTRUM

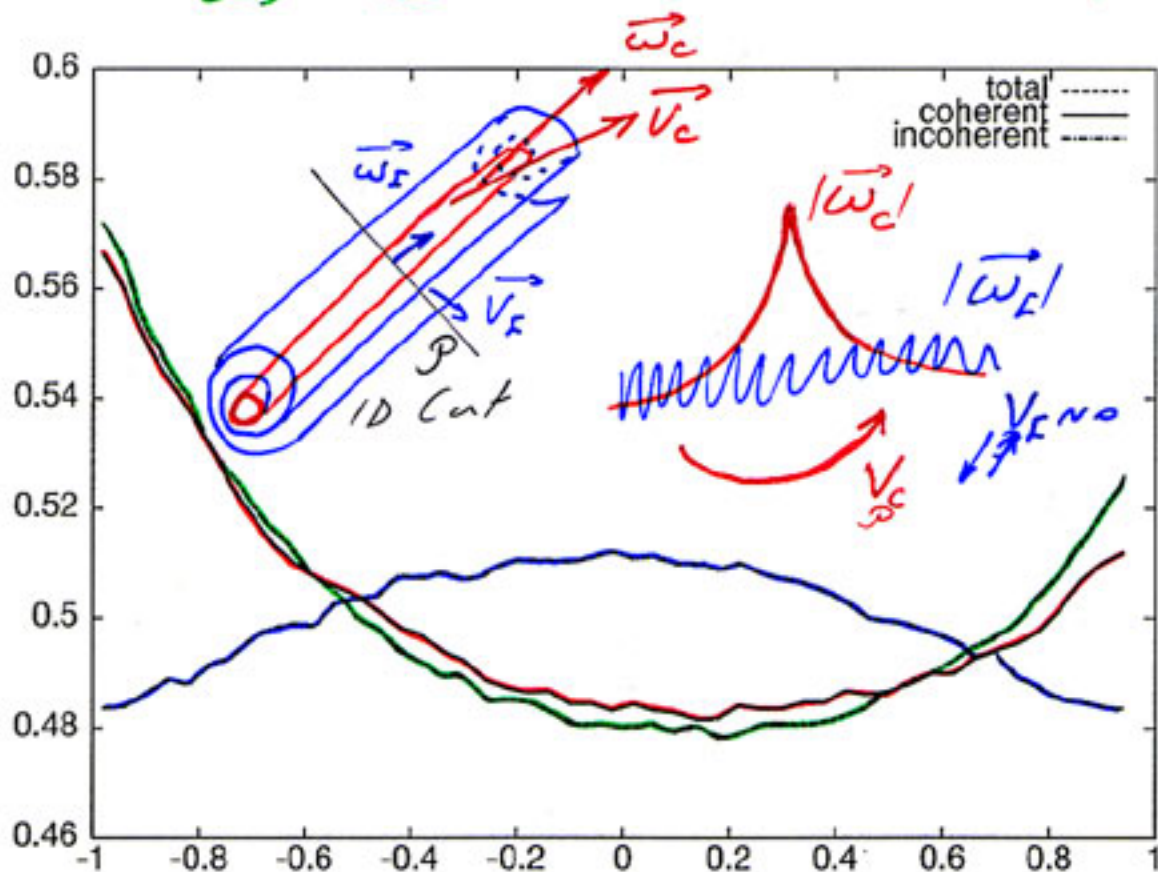




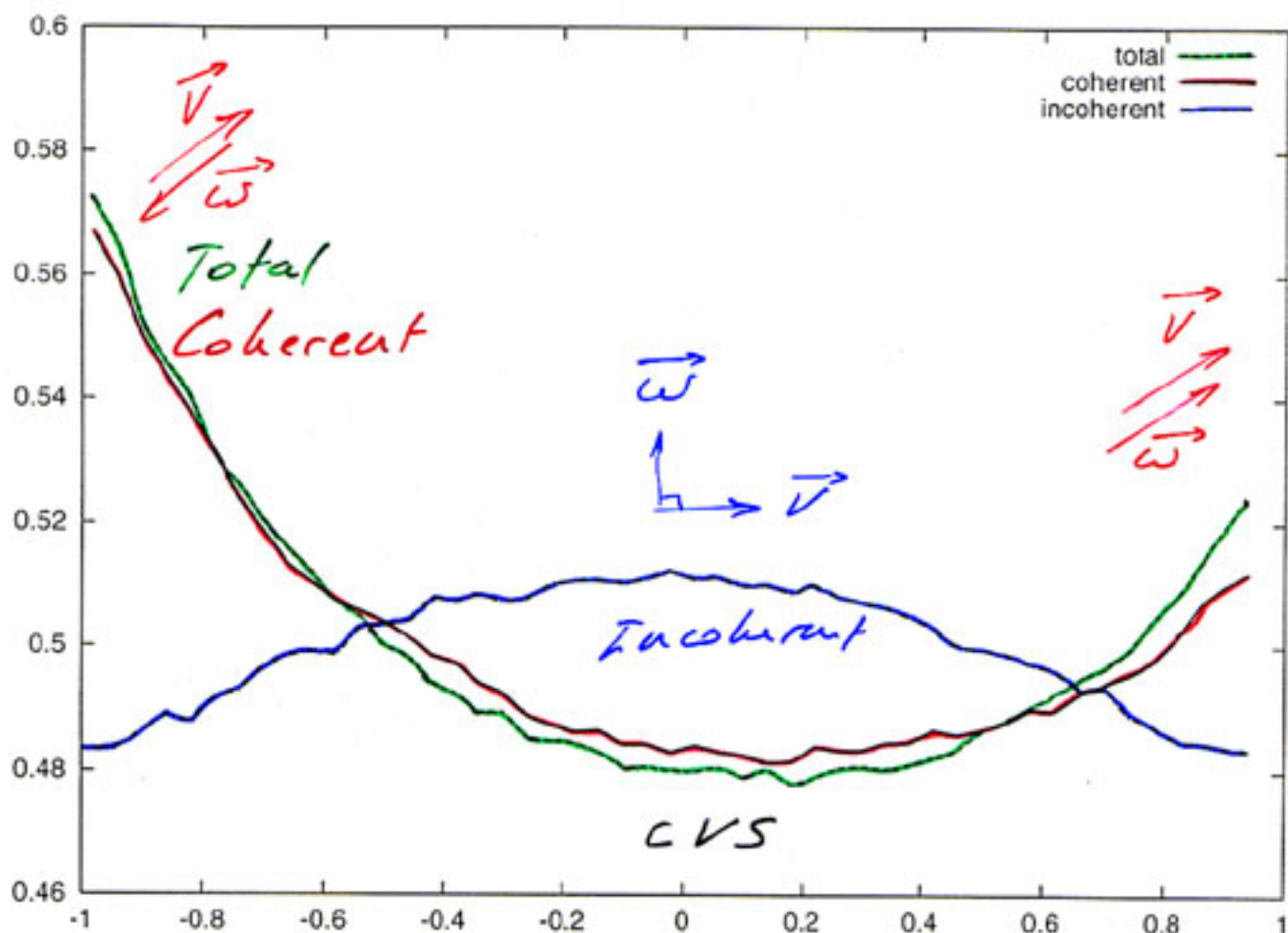
ENERGY TRANSFERS

Keith MOFFATT
JFM, 150, 1985

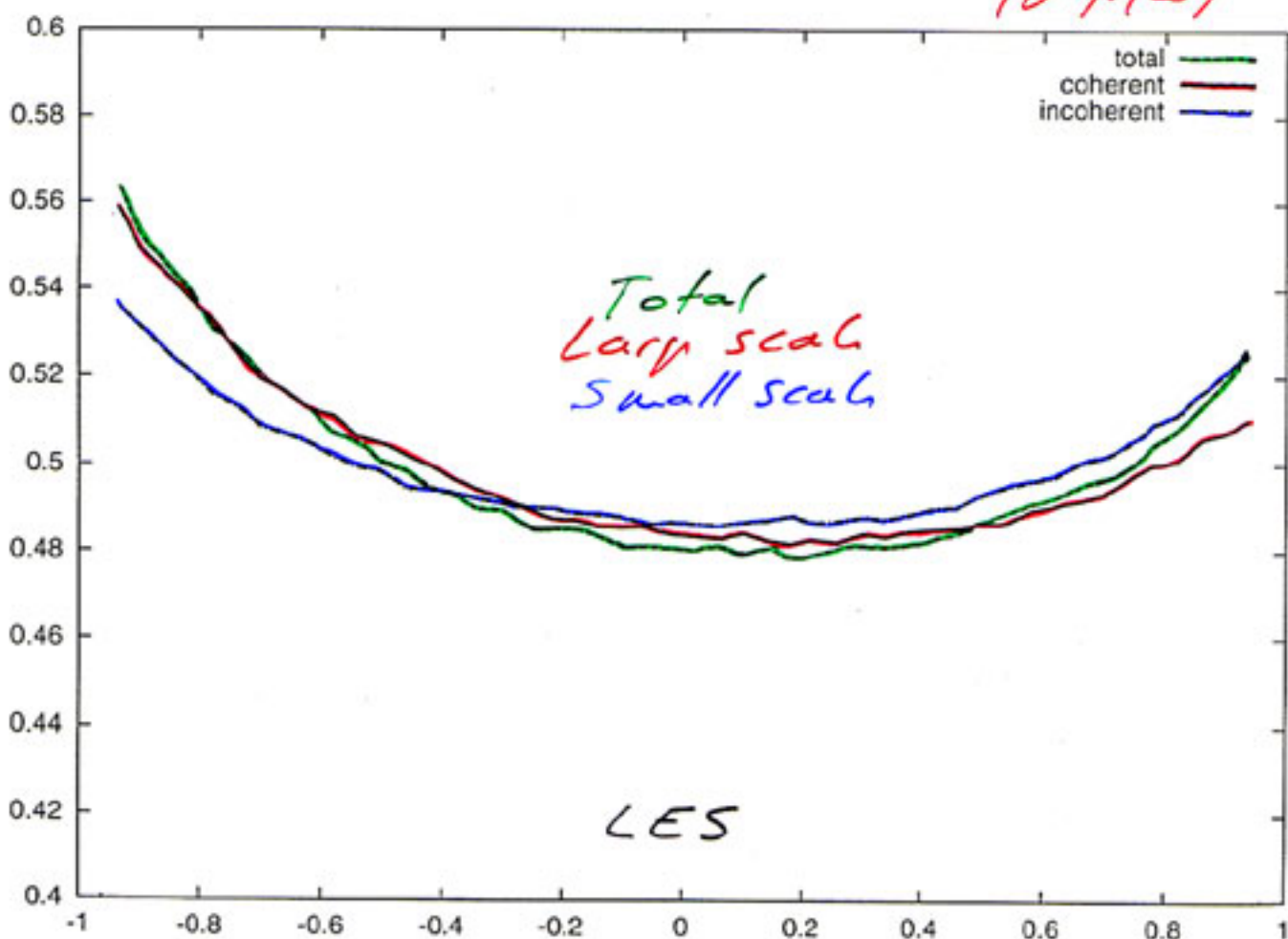
Euler flows contain
blobs of maximal helicity
which may be interpreted
as 'coherent structures'



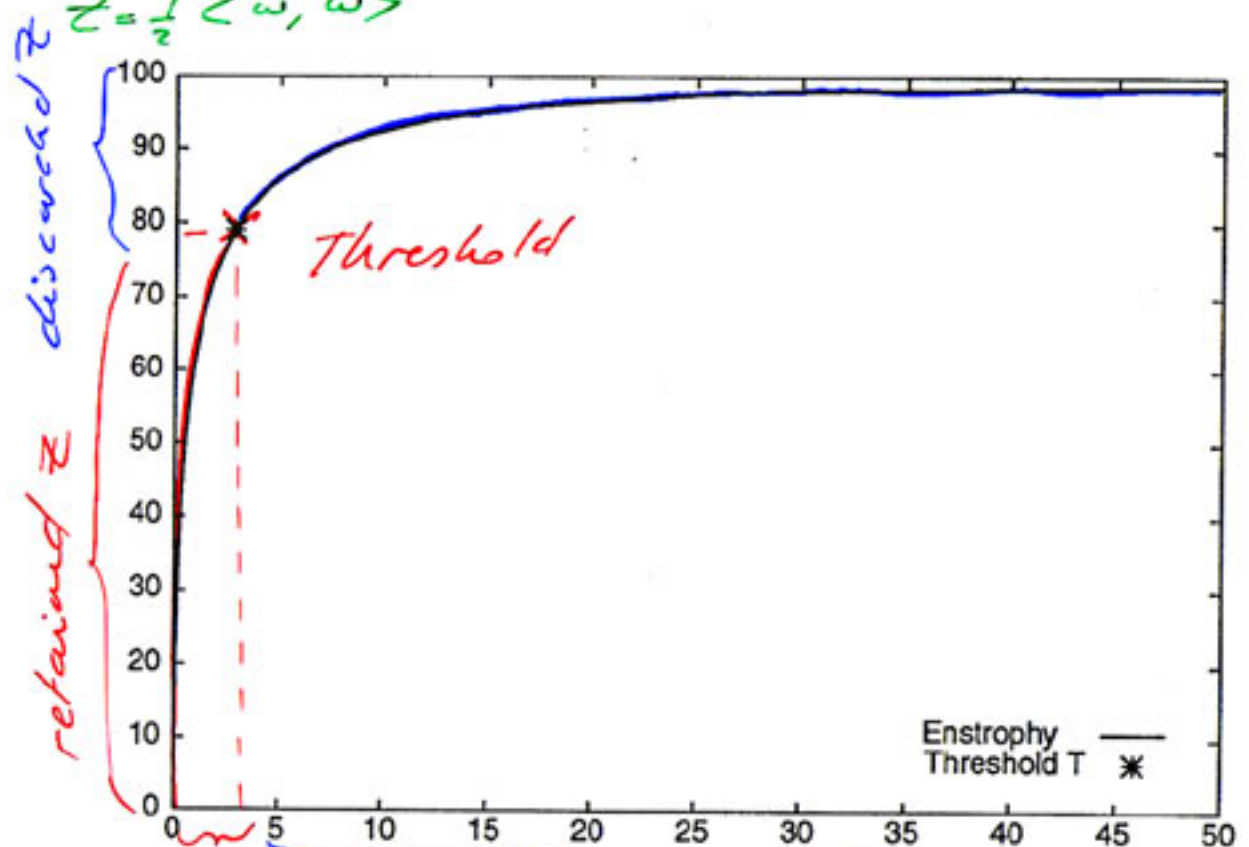
separated by regular surfaces
on which vortex sheets,
the site of strong dissipation,
may be located.



RELATIVE HELICITY $h = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\omega}}{|\vec{v}| \cdot |\vec{\omega}|}$



% of retained enstrophy
 $Z = \frac{1}{2} \langle \omega, \omega \rangle$



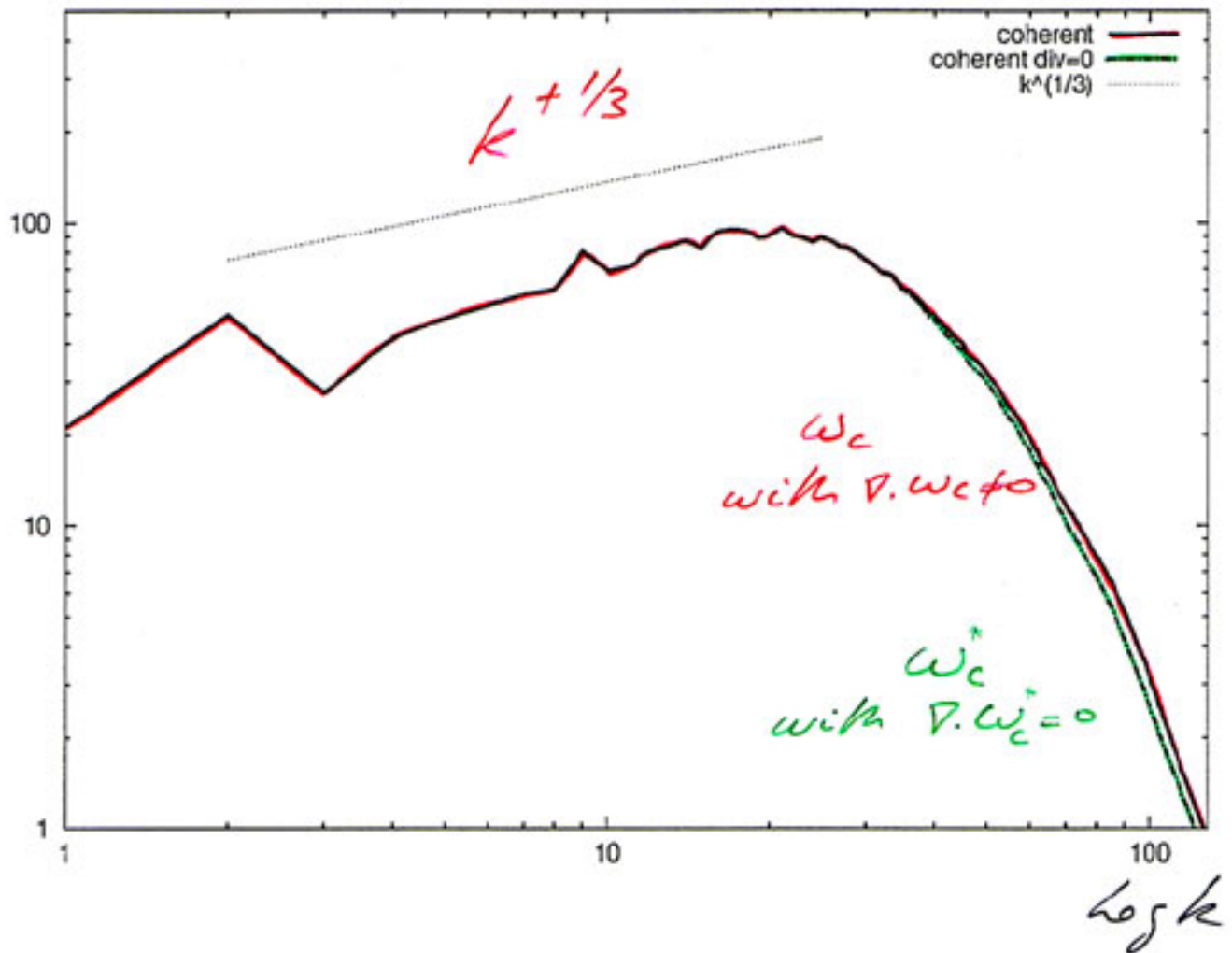
Coherent modes incoherent modes

% of retained vorticity coefficients

COMPRESSION

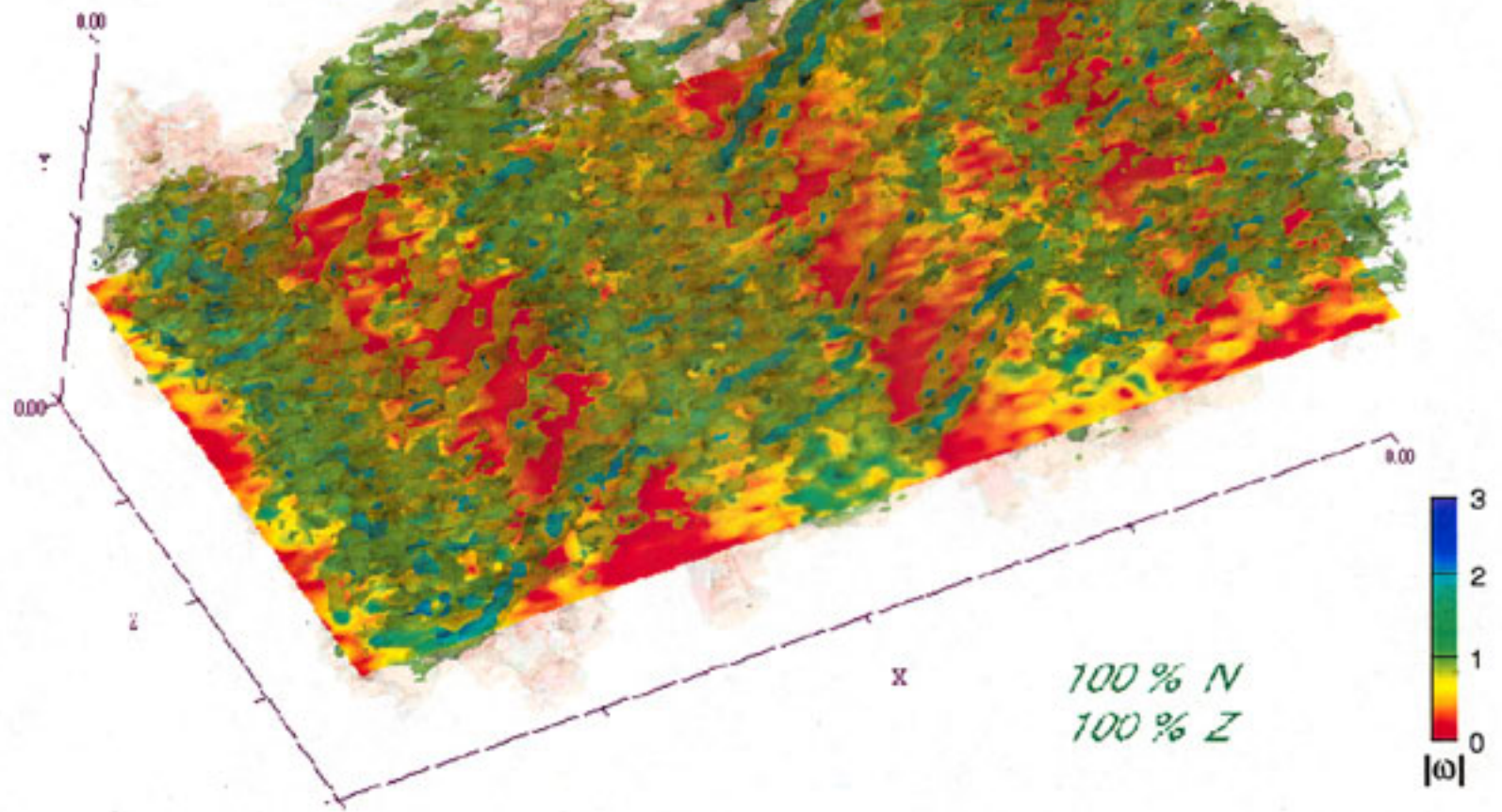
ENSTROPY SPECTRUM

$\log E$

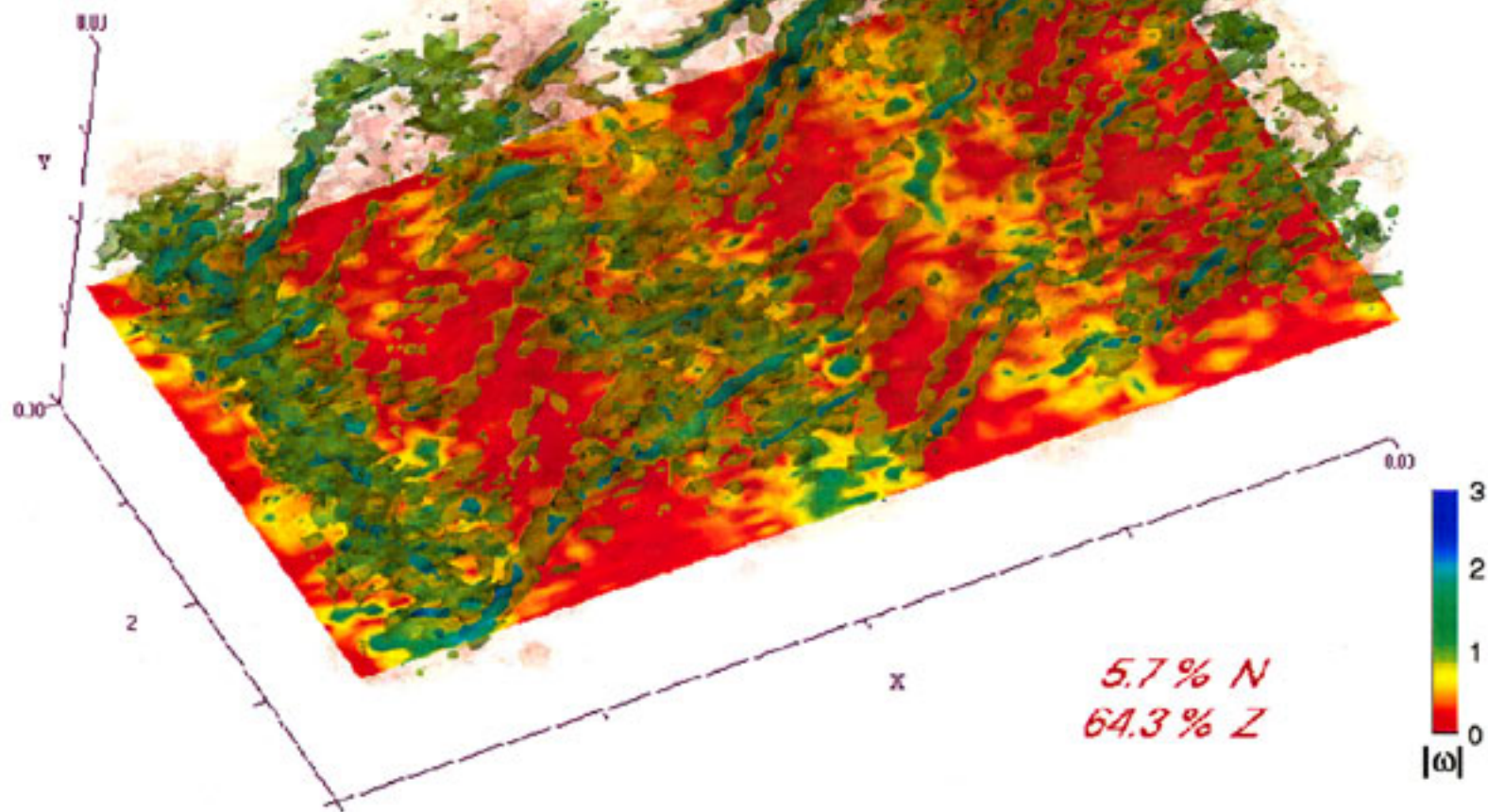


The contribution of the divergent part of the coherent vorticity field is negligible and affects only the dissipative scales

Turbulent mixing layer
total vorticity

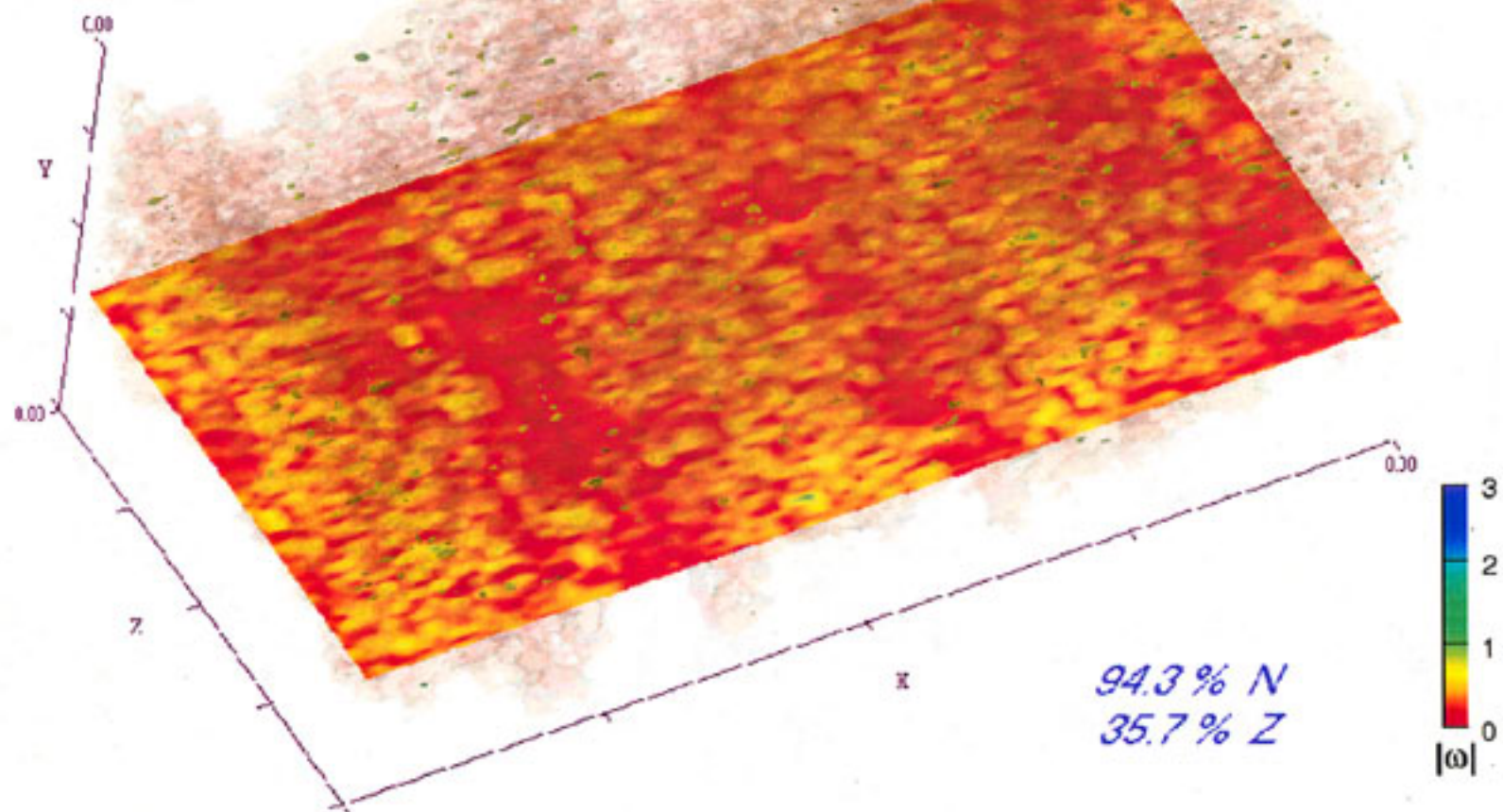


Turbulent mixing layer
coherent vorticity



Turbulent mixing layer

incoherent vorticity



Mixing layer, forced

$N = 512 \times 256 \times 128$

CVS

coherent
incoherent

3 % N

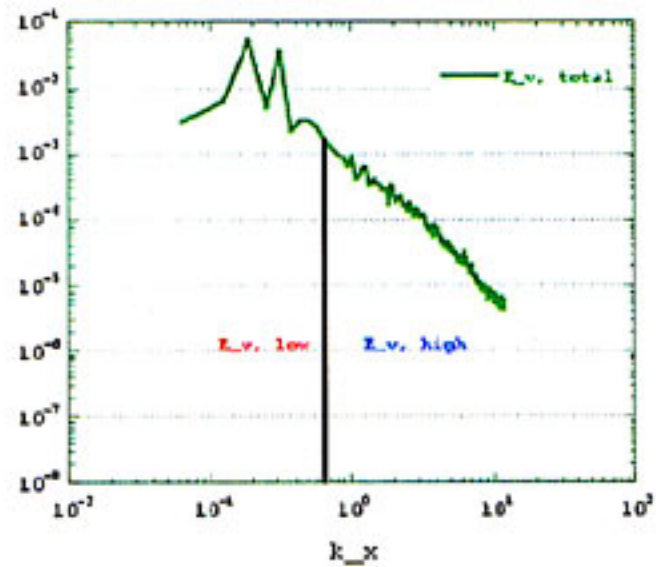
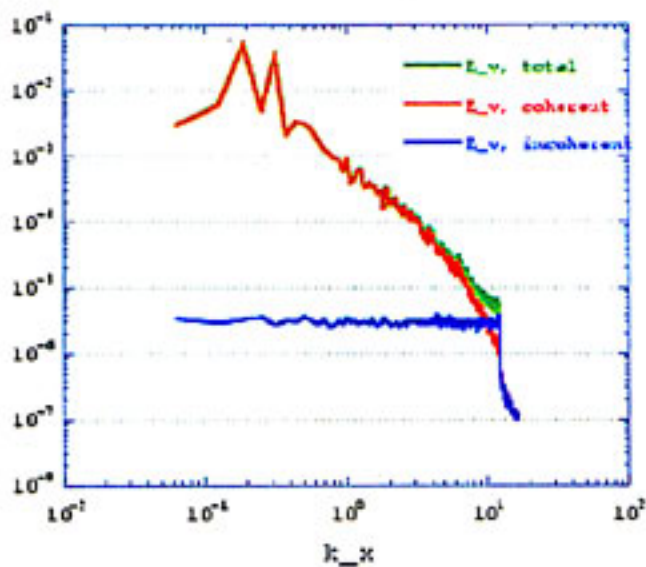
97 % N

LES

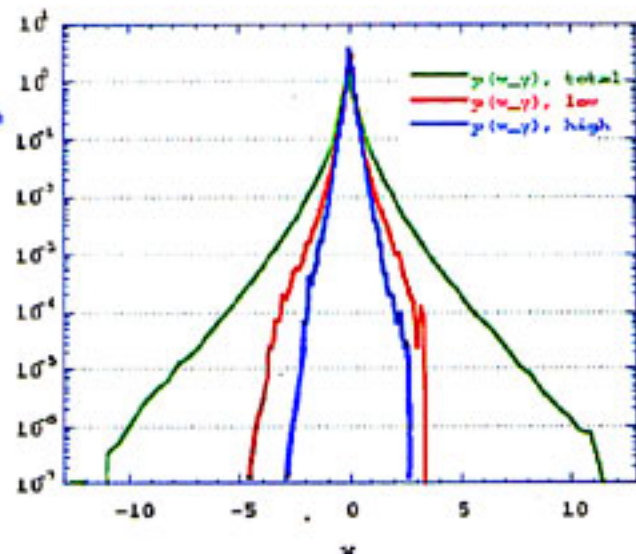
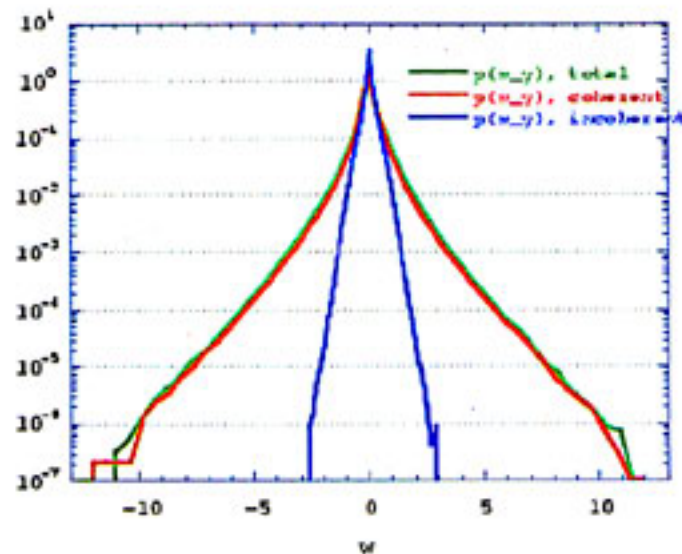
low wavenumber

high wavenumber

1D energy spectra $E(k_x)$



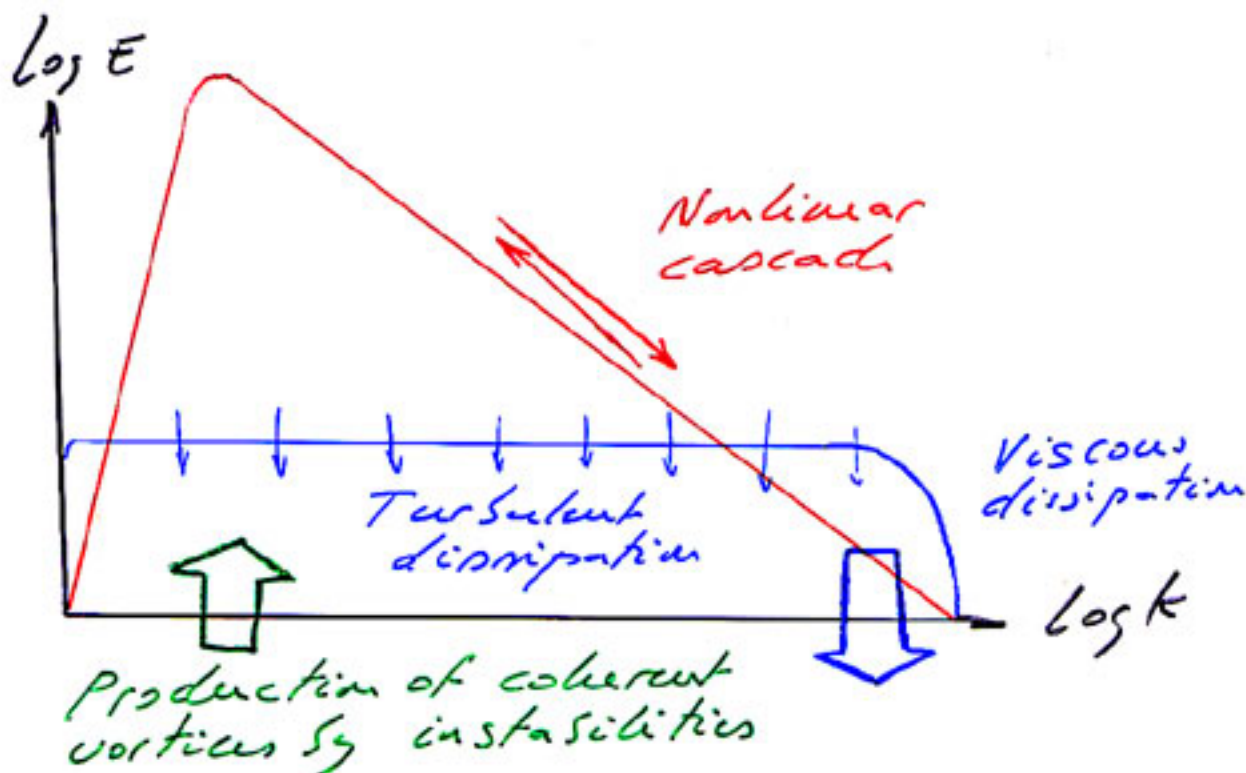
Vorticity PDF $p(\omega)$



PROPOSED SCENARIO FOR THE TURBULENT CASCADE

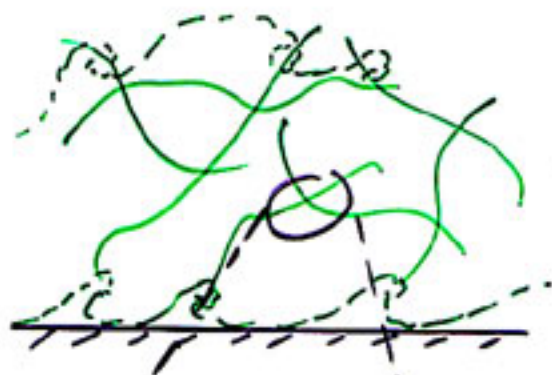
The turbulent cascade comes from the nonlinear interactions between vortices out of equilibrium, which transfer coherent energy throughout the whole inertial range, and at the same time produce incoherent energy in quasi-equilibrium which then dissipates.

INTERPRETATION



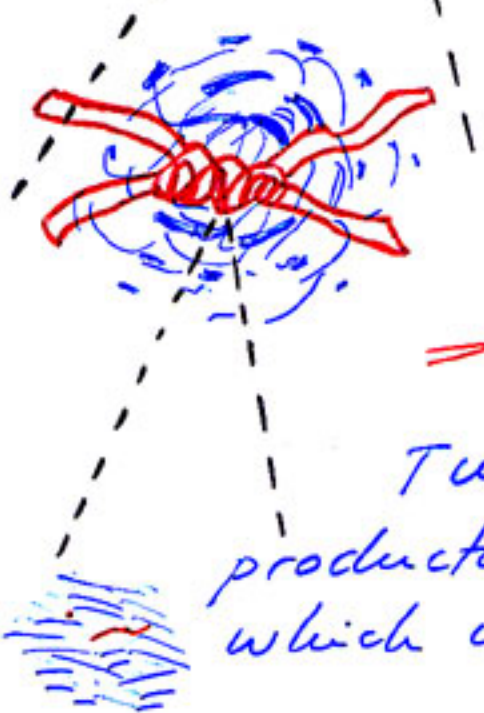
PRODUCTION

Web of vortex tubes produced by instabilities in shear layers



INERTIAL RANGE

Intermittent vortex interactions

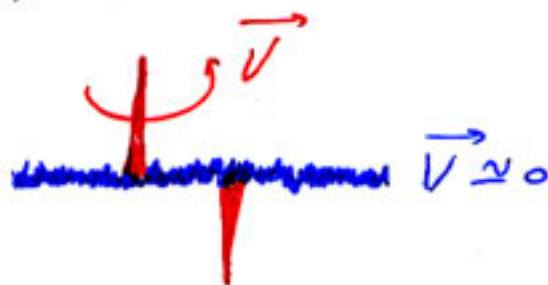


⇒ Nonlinear cascade +
Turbulent dissipation

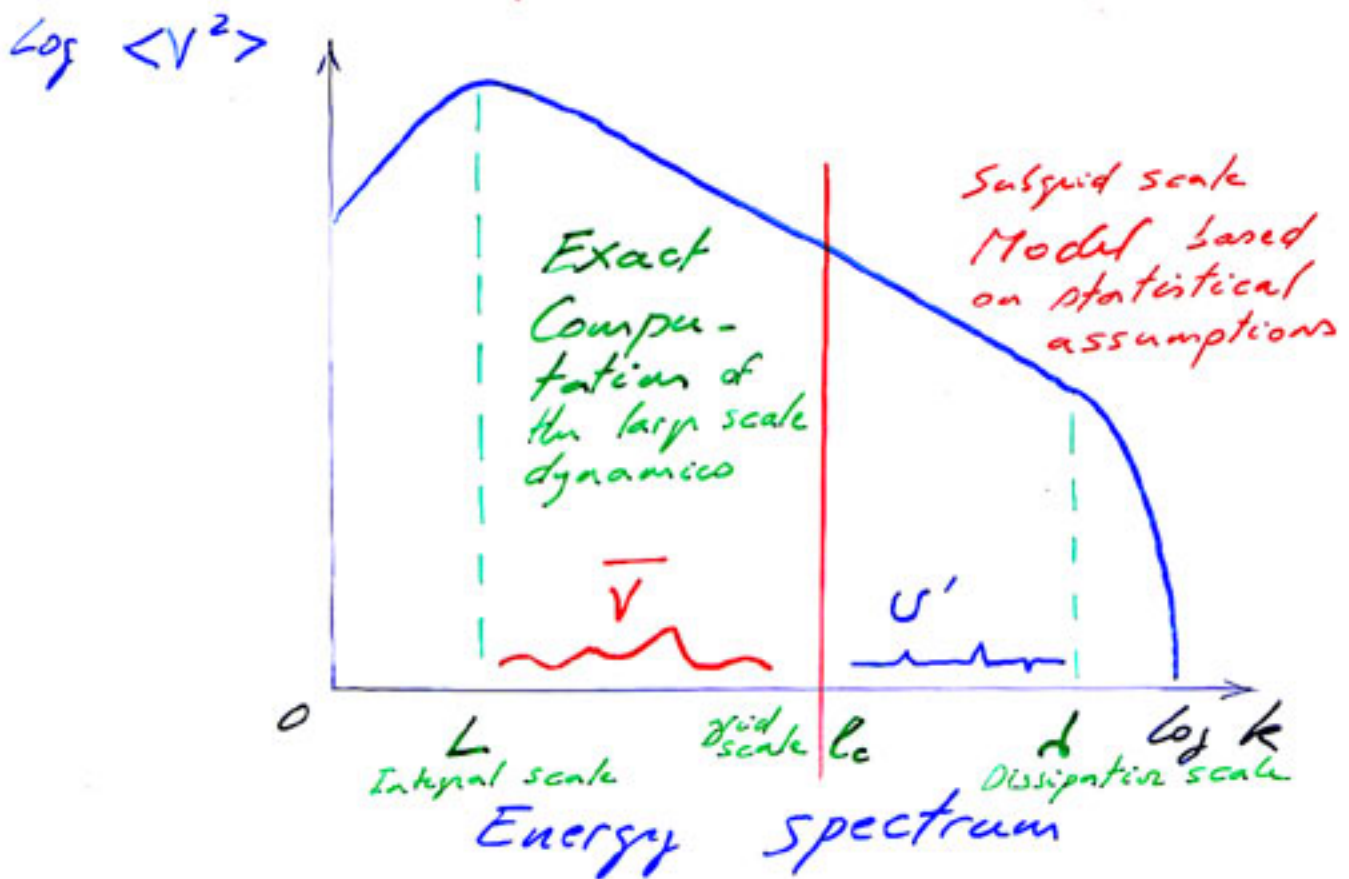
production of background noise which is damped in the viscous range

Haus LIEPMANN
Marseille,
1961

These patterns, which show a nearly-random small-scale structure within an organized large-scale structure, result from nothing more than a relatively small number of line vortices attempting to rotate about each other. One gets here a fascinating glimpse into rapid randomization by vortex interactions and a demonstration of the statistical character of turbulence proper!



TURBULENCE MODELLING WITH L.E.S.



$V = \bar{V} + u'$, $P = \bar{P} + p'$

⇒ equation for the large Eddy motions:

$$\frac{\partial \bar{v}_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\bar{v}_i \bar{v}_j) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial x_i} = \nu \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j^2} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{v}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \right) - \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_j}$$

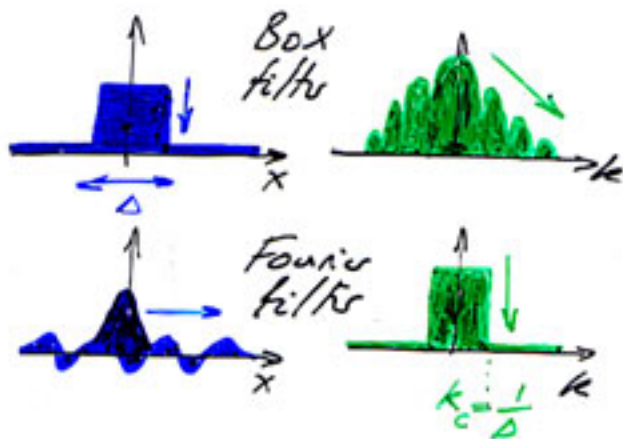
Subgrid scale tensor τ_{ij}

$$\tau_{ij} = L_{ij} + C_{ij} + R_{ij}$$

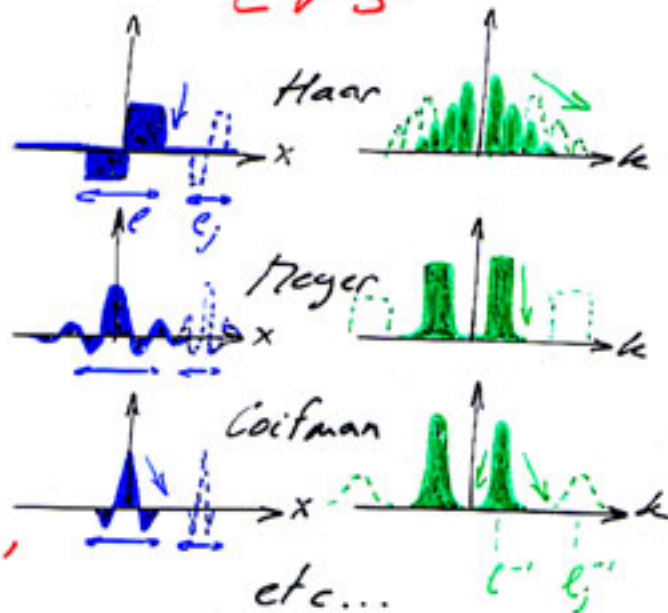
$$= (\bar{v}_i \bar{v}_j - \bar{v}_i \bar{v}_j) + (\bar{v}_i \bar{v}_j' + \bar{v}_j \bar{v}_i') + \bar{v}_i' \bar{v}_j'$$

COMPARISON BETWEEN DIFFERENT FILTERS

LES



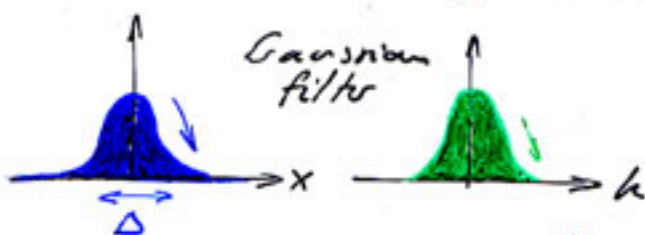
WAVELET CVS



$$u = \bar{u} + u'$$

Linearity:
$$\begin{cases} \overline{u+v} = \bar{u} + \bar{v} \\ \overline{au} = a\bar{u} \\ \overline{Du} = D\bar{u} \end{cases}$$

Orthogonality:
$$\begin{cases} \overline{\bar{u}} = \bar{u} \\ \overline{u'} = 0 \end{cases}$$



It is not a projector

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \bar{u} \neq u \\ \overline{u'} \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Non linear term (product):

if Fourier filter

$$\overline{uv} \neq \bar{u} \cdot \bar{v}$$

if Wavelet filter

$$\overline{uv} \sim \bar{u} \cdot \bar{v}$$

RESOLUTION OF 2D NAVIER-STOKES IN WAVELETS

We want to solve:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + J(\psi, \omega) = \nu \nabla^2 \omega \\ \omega = \nabla^2 \psi \end{cases}$$

We choose an appropriate wavelet
or wavelet packet basis $|\psi^t\rangle$
adapted for time t and
we project onto it:

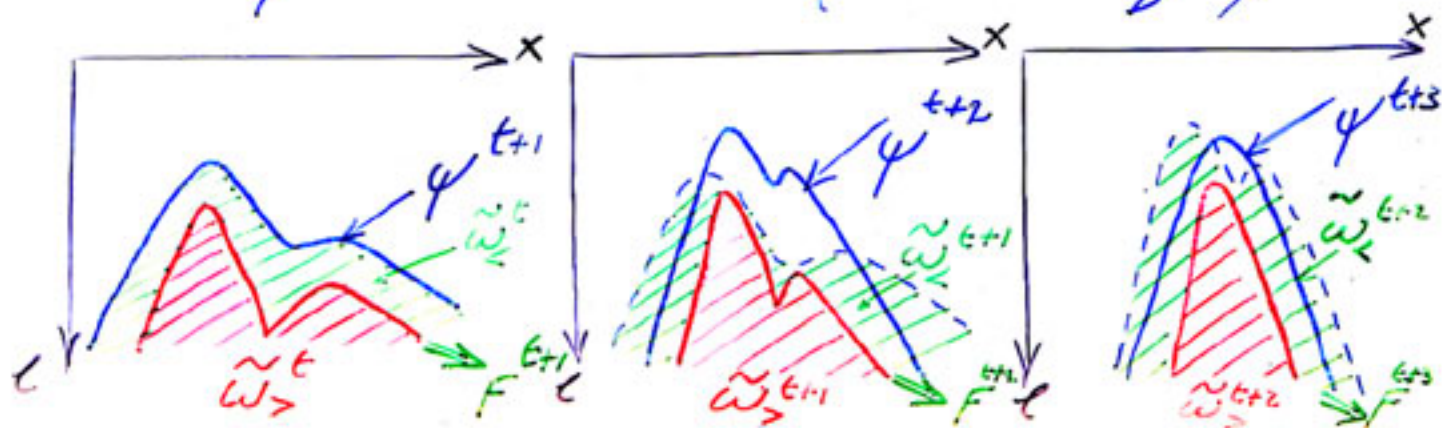
$$\left\langle \left[\frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}}{\partial t} + J(\nabla^2 \tilde{\omega}, \tilde{\omega}) \right] \middle| \psi^{t+1} \right\rangle = F^{t+1}$$

$\tilde{\omega}$ are the strongest wavelet coef.
 F random phase forcing term

such that $|F| = \langle \omega^2 \rangle (1-D)$

and $\hat{F} = |F| e^{i\theta}$, θ random

$0 \leq D \leq 1$ turbulent diffusion
parameter $(Re \propto \frac{1}{D})$.



CVS FOR NAVIER-STOKES

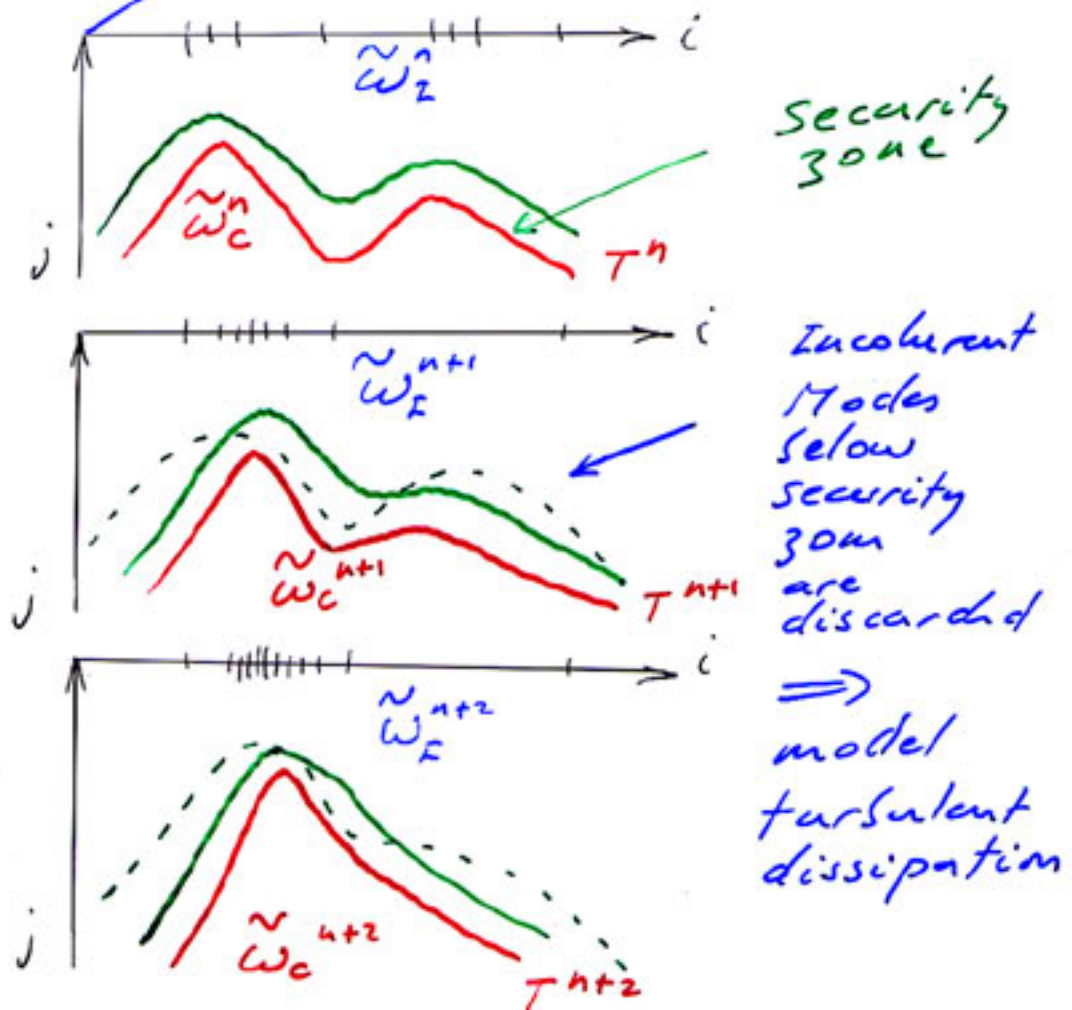
$$\omega = \omega_c + \omega_E$$

$$\vec{V} = \vec{V}_c + \vec{V}_E$$

$$\|\omega_c\| \gg \|\omega_E\| \quad \|\vec{V}_c\| \gg \|\vec{V}_E\|$$

$$\|\vec{\nabla}\omega_c\| < \|\vec{\nabla}\omega_E\|$$

$$\frac{\partial \omega_c}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \omega_E}{\partial t} + \vec{V}_c \cdot \vec{\nabla} \omega_c + \vec{V}_c \cdot \vec{\nabla} \omega_E + \vec{V}_E \cdot \vec{\nabla} \omega_c + \vec{V}_E \cdot \vec{\nabla} \omega_E = \nu \nabla^2 \omega_c + \nu \nabla^2 \omega_E$$



cf. Fary & Schneider, Flow Turbulence Combustion, 66, 2001

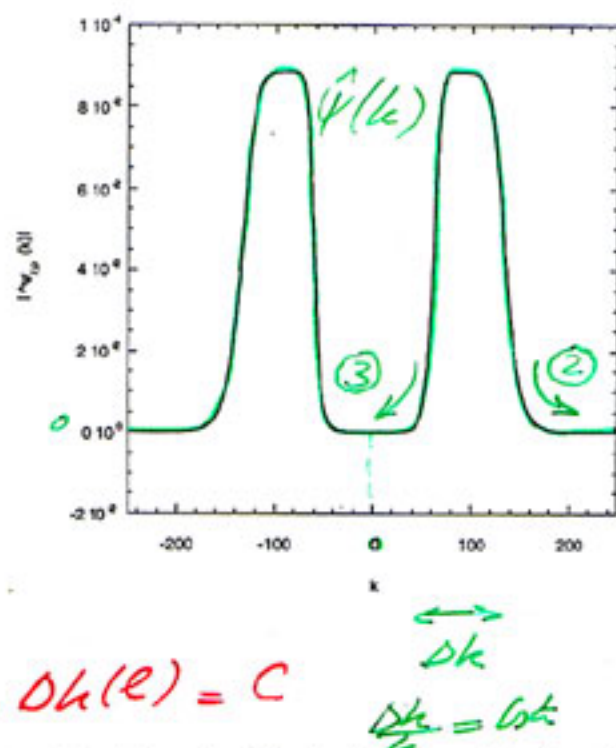
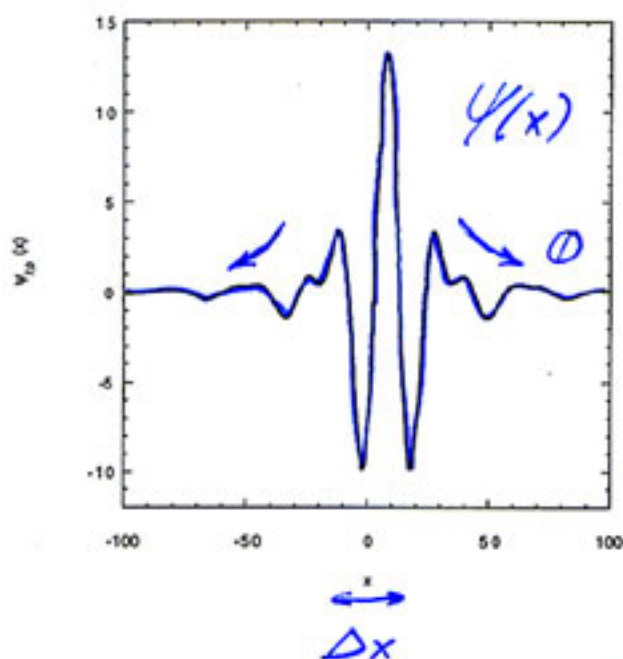
ADVANTAGES OF WAVELETS TO SOLVE PDES

- Good compression of functions with inhomogeneous regularity,
- Many differential and integral operators applied to wavelets are almost again wavelets \Rightarrow wavelettes diagonalize the stiffness matrix and thus avoid solving the linear system for each time step,
- Good localization of wavelets in both space and scale \Rightarrow simple adaptation strategy for evolution problems by switching on neighbour wavelets,
- Hierarchical organization of wavelet bases \Rightarrow fast pyramidal algorithm in $O(N)$ operations.

ORTHOGONAL WAVELETS

QUINTIC SPLINE
WAVELET
at scale $l=2^7$

ASSOCIATED
FILTER
at scale $l=2^7$



$$\Delta x(l) \cdot \Delta k(l) = C$$

$$\frac{\Delta k}{l} = l \Delta x$$

Figure 1: Quintic spline wavelet $\psi_{j,i}(x)$ for scale $j = 7$ and position $i = 0$ in physical space (top) and in Fourier space (bottom).

Wavelet properties:

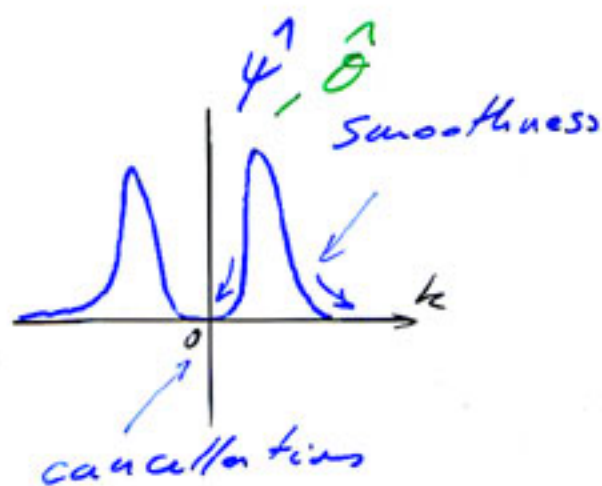
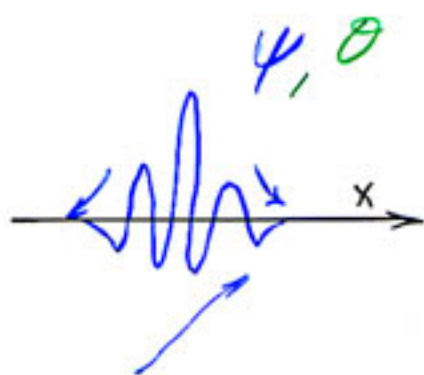
- ① - Space localization
⇒ spatial adaptivity,
- ② - Smoothness, i.e.
spectral localization for $k \rightarrow \infty$
⇒ differentiability,
- ③ - Vanishing moments, i.e.
spectral localization for $k \rightarrow 0$
⇒ integrability.

CHOICE OF THE BASIS FUNCTIONS

The test functions θ_j are chosen to be the eigenmodes of the Green's function of heat kernel:

$$(\mathbb{1} - \Delta t \nabla^2)^{-1}$$

with periodic S.C.

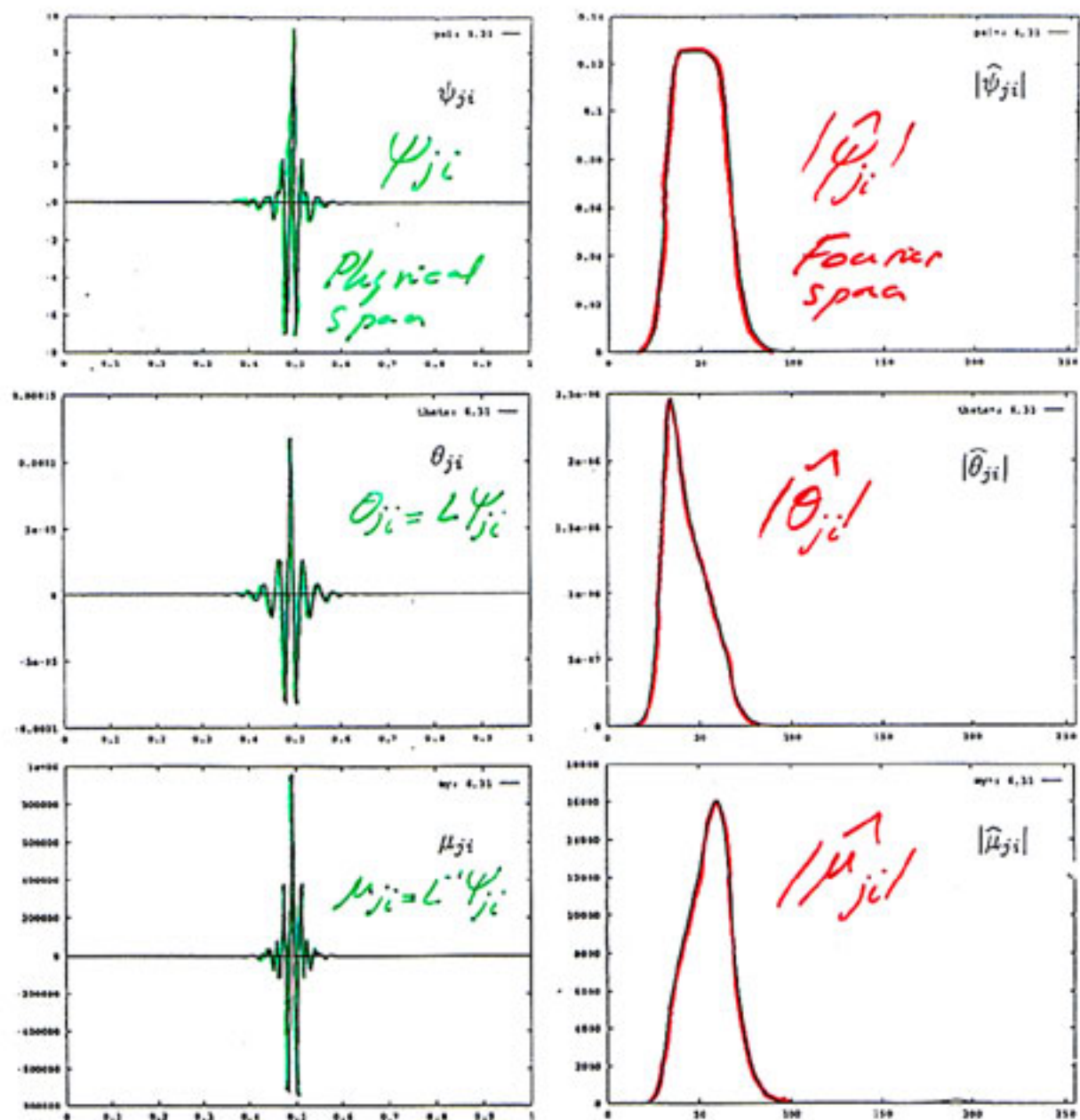


- enough space locality to keep boundary effects local,

- enough smoothness to derive (∇w) while avoiding UV divergence,

- enough cancellations $\int x^m \psi(x) dx = 0$ to integrate $(\nabla^{-2} \omega)$ while avoiding IR divergence.

We choose basis functions
which diagonalize
the linear operator



ADAPTED BASIS FUNCTIONS

eigenmodes of the Green's
function of Stokes
operator

INTEGRATION OF THE LINEAR OPERATOR

Method of weighted residuals,
Petros-Galerkin scheme
with

wavelets ψ as trial functions:

$$w^n(x, y) = \sum_{\mathcal{I}} \tilde{w}_{\mathcal{I}} \psi_{\mathcal{I}}(x, y)$$

$$\text{with } \mathcal{I} = j, i_x, i_y, \mu \quad \begin{cases} j \in [0, J-1] \\ i_x, i_y \in [0, 2^j-1] \\ \mu \in [1, 3] \end{cases}$$

$T = \log_2 N$

Wavelets θ as test functions:

$$\theta_{\mathcal{I}} = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \psi_{\mathcal{I}}$$

We operate a change of basis:

$$\tilde{w}_{\mathcal{I}}^{n+1} = \langle (w^n - V^n \cdot \nabla w^n), \theta_{\mathcal{I}} \rangle$$

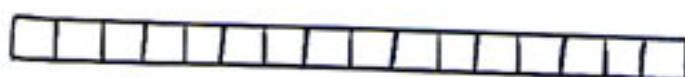
and we obtain the solution:

$$w^{n+1} = \sum_{\mathcal{I}} \tilde{w}_{\mathcal{I}}^{n+1} \psi_{\mathcal{I}}$$

PRINCIPLE OF THE ADAPTIVE PSEUDO-WAVELET METHOD

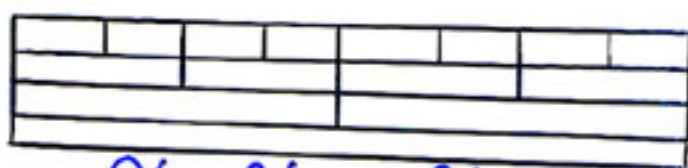
$$L \omega = N$$

Discretization
into N grid points:



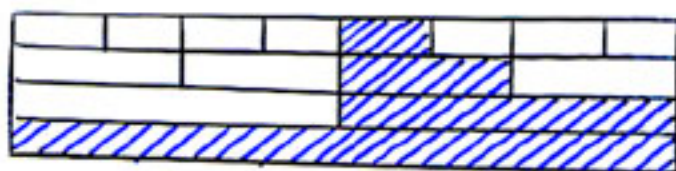
$$L_N \omega_N = N_N$$

Projection
onto N wavelets:



$$\tilde{L}_N \tilde{\omega}_N = \tilde{N}_N$$

Compression
onto $N_2 \ll N$ wavelets:



$$\tilde{L}_{N_2} \tilde{\omega}_{N_2} = \tilde{N}_{N_2}$$

Reconstruction
onto N_2 adapted grid points:

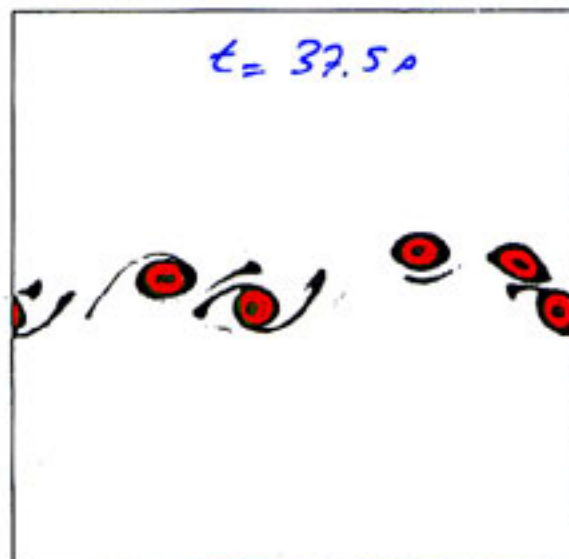
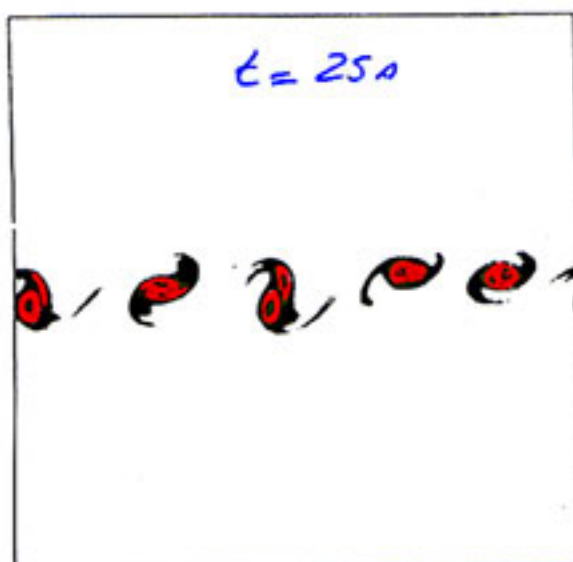
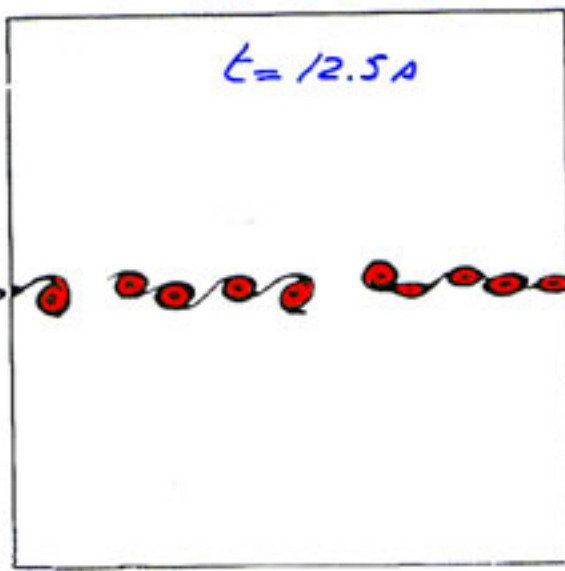
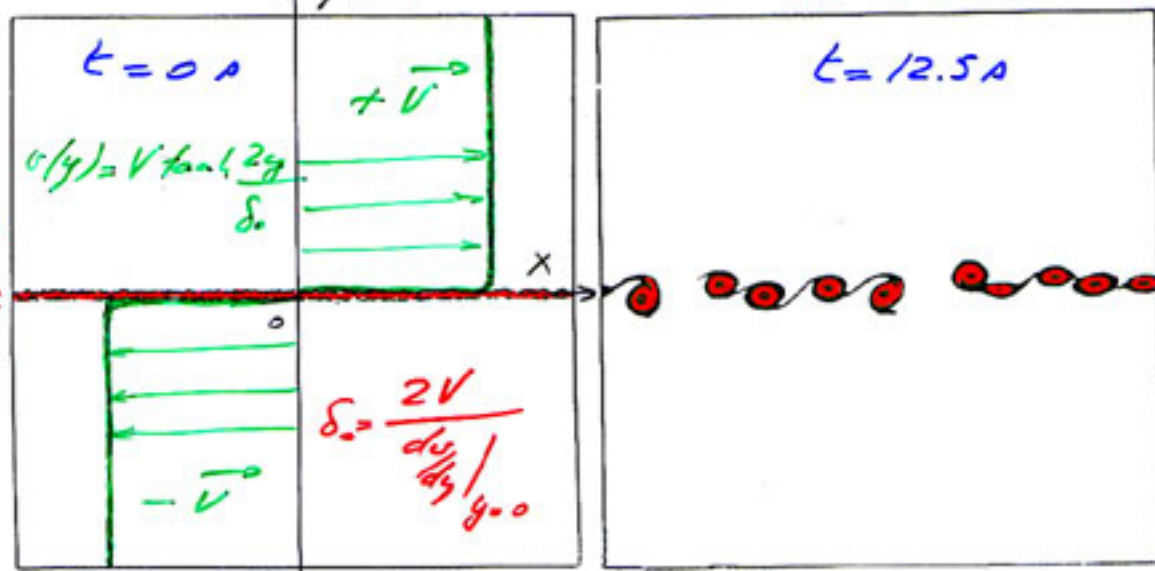


$$L_{N_2} \omega_{N_2} = N_{N_2} \quad \# \text{ operations } O(N_2)$$

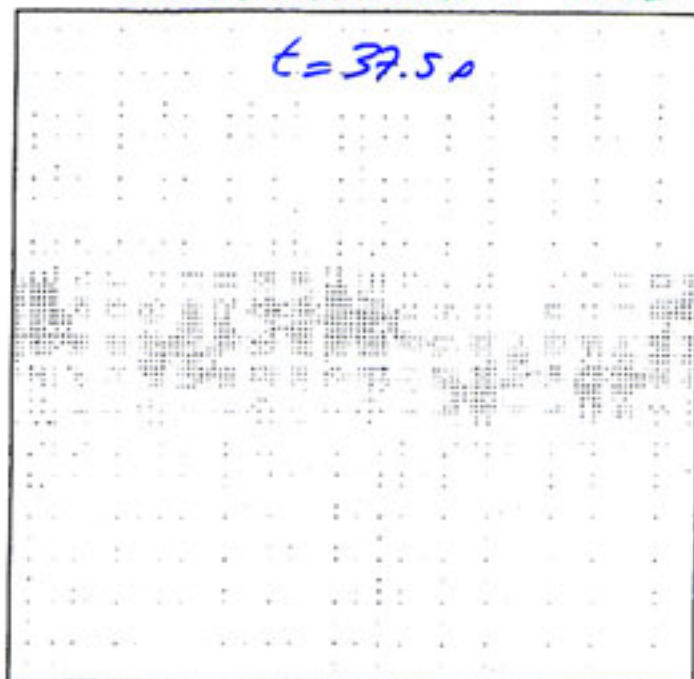
TEMPORALLY DEVELOPING
MIXING LAYER
COMPUTED WITH CVS
KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ INSTABILITY

Initial
Vorticity
thickness

δ_0



ADAPTED
COMPUTATIONAL GRID



cf.

Numerical simulation of a mixing layer in an adaptive wavelet basis

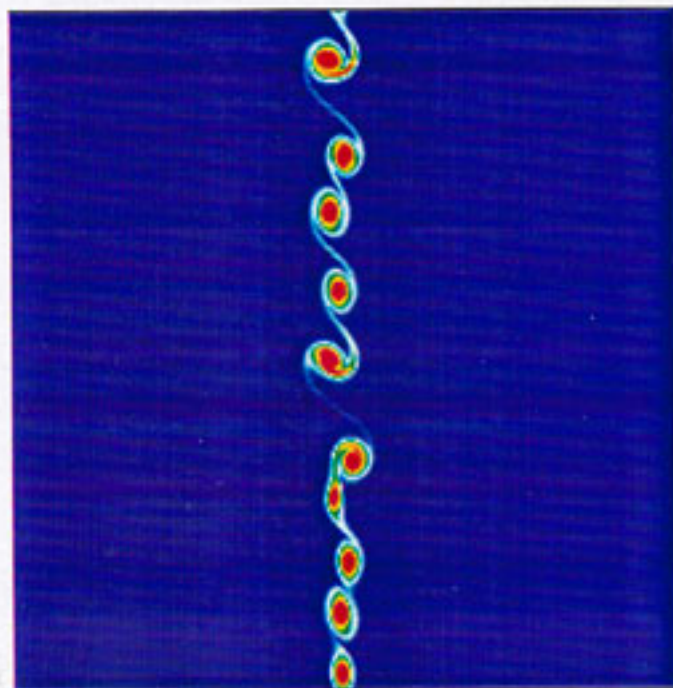
Schneider & Farg

C.R.A.S.

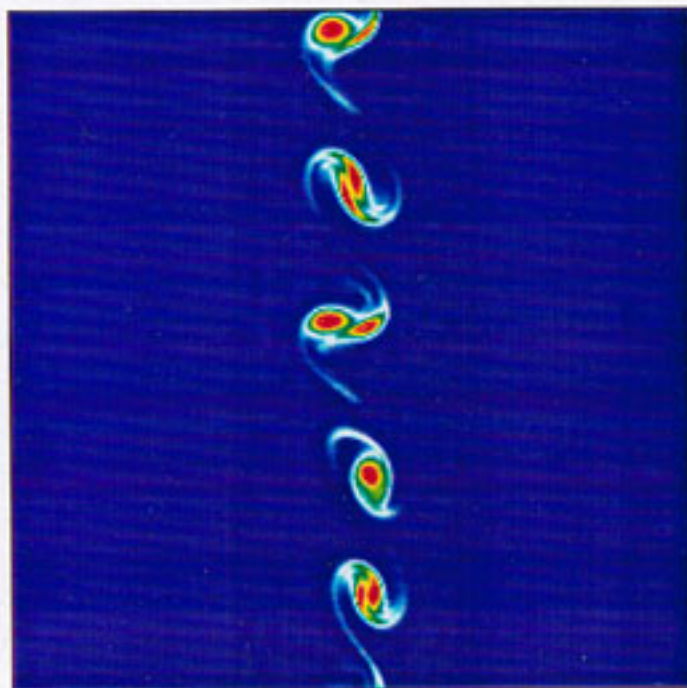
Submittal, 1999

Mixing Layer: adaptive wavelet calculation ($\epsilon=10^{-6}$)

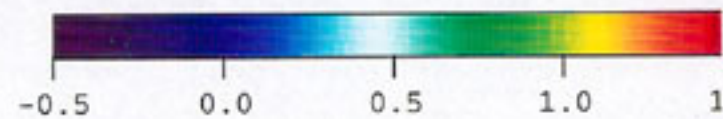
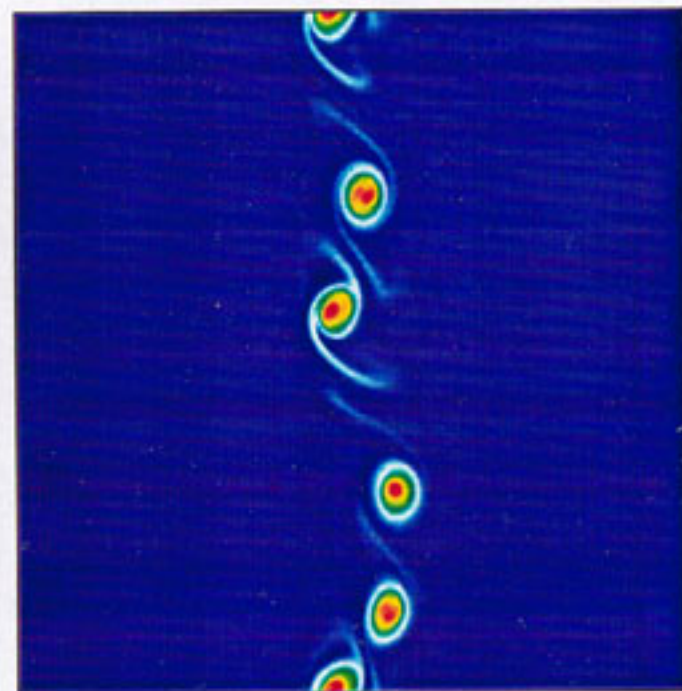
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t= 25



t=37.5

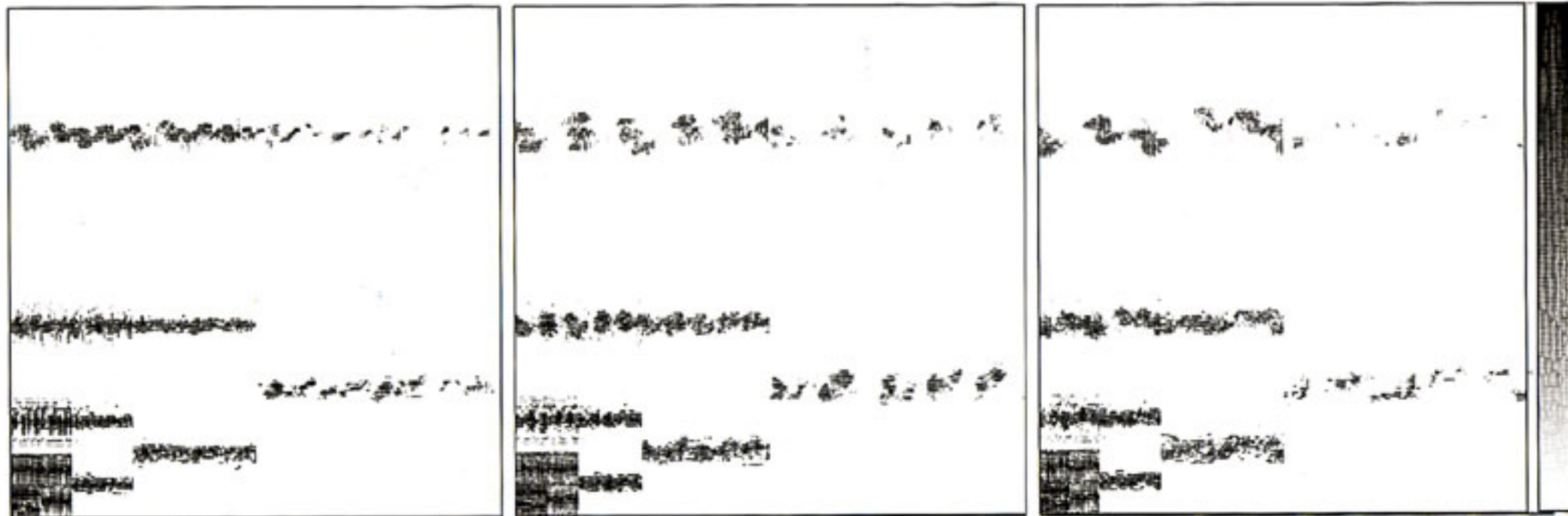


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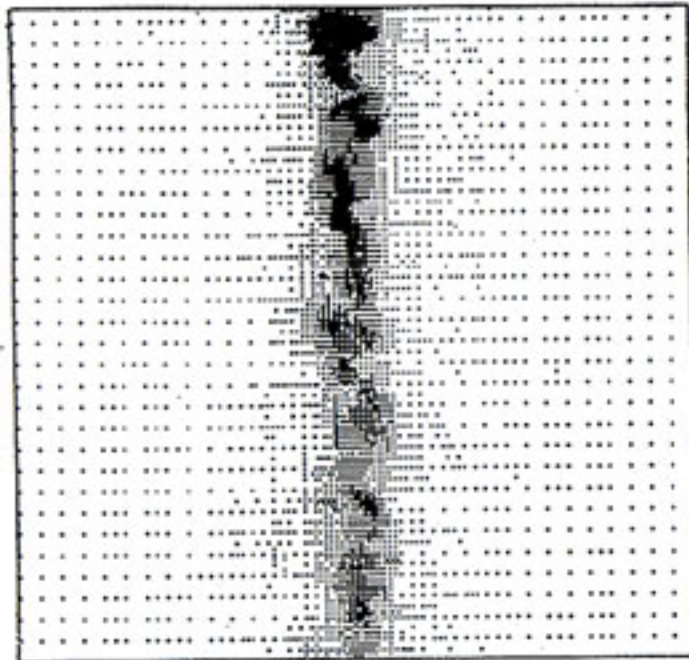
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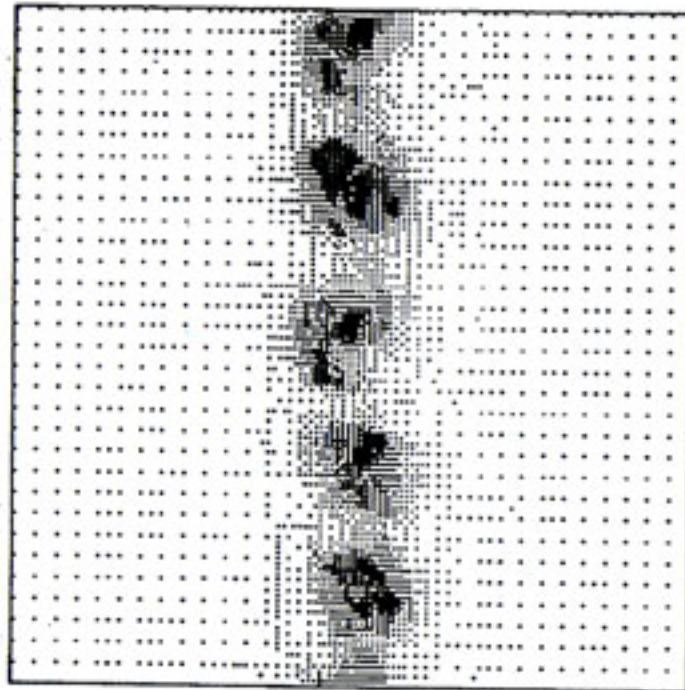


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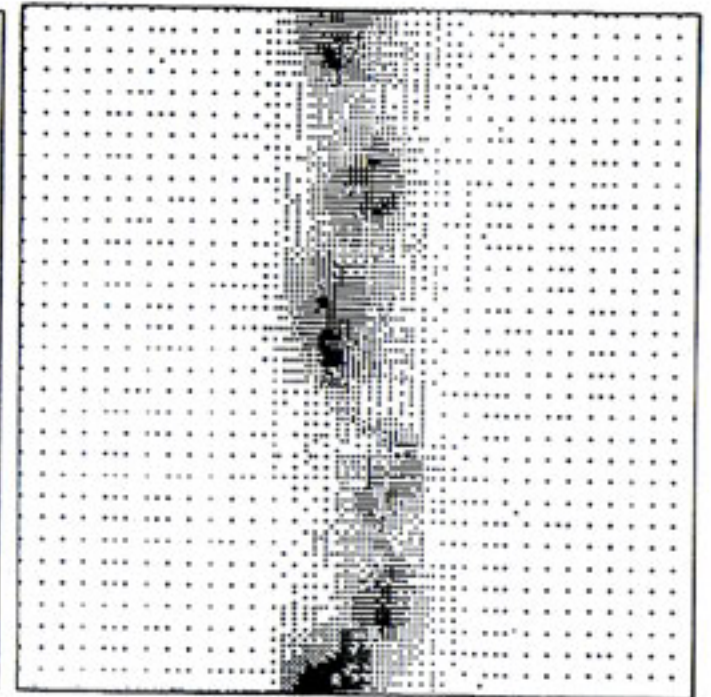
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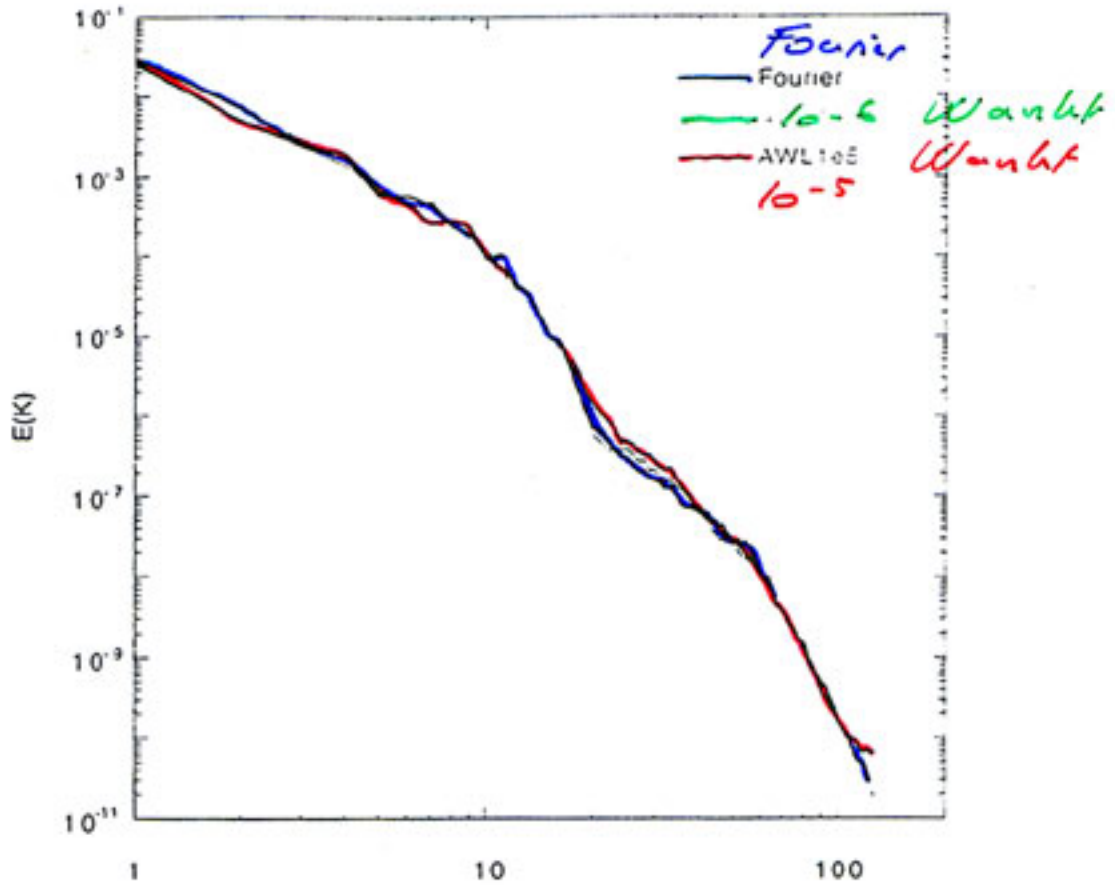


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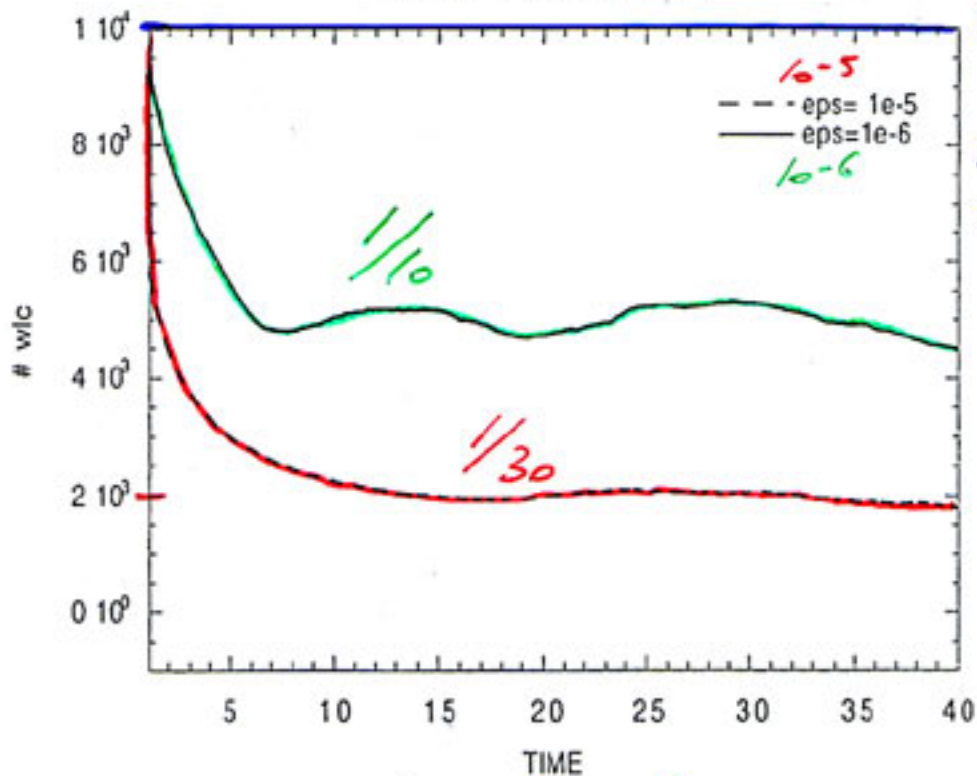
adaptive grid

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COMPARISON WITH
A FOURIER INTEGRATION

degrees of freedom
out of 65536 possible



Number
Fourier
modes
65384
= 256^2

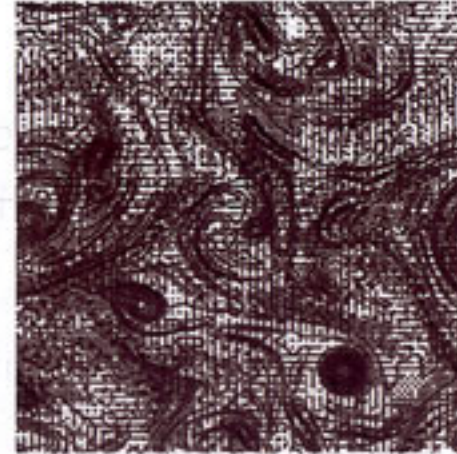
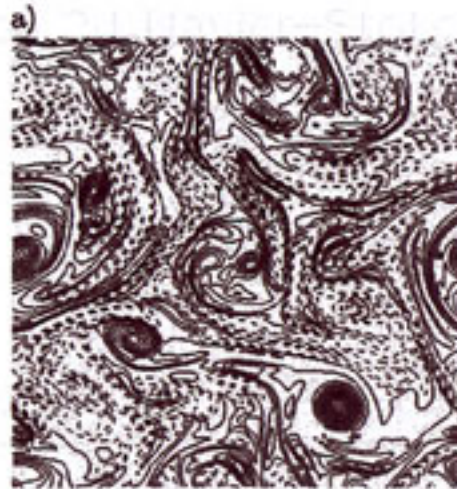
5000
modes

2000
modes

Number of active
wavlet modes

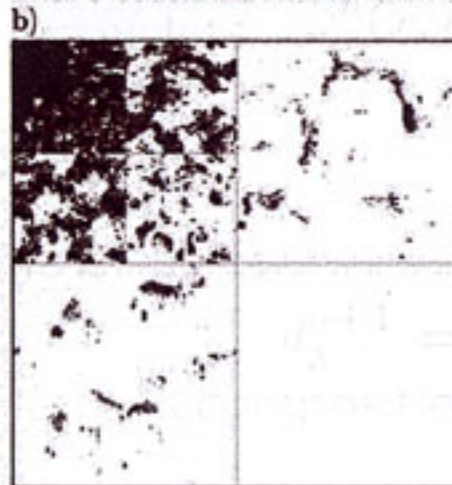
Decaying 2d homogeneous and isotropic turbulence

Vorticity



Vorticity
+ grid

Wavelet
coefficients



Adaptive
grid

SHORT-TERM PERSPECTIVES

Application of
CVS filtering to
3D rotating stratified
mixing layer

cf. Tubes, sheets and
Singularities in Fluid
Dynamics, ed. K. Bajer
and K.H. Nofftatt, Kluwer, 211-216

Checking for
diffusive / non diffusive
dynamics in 3D flows
using passive scalars
and particles

Analysis of the nonlinear
term using CVS filtering
 $\vec{V} \cdot \nabla \vec{\omega} - \vec{\omega} \cdot \nabla \vec{V}$

LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVES

Space-time coherent
structures extraction
using 4D wavelets:

- Checking that there is
no scale separation
in space and time,
 - Checking for long-time
correlation of the
coherent contribution
and short-time
correlation of the
random contribution
- ⇒ adaptive computation
in space and time.

Combine CVS and penalization
for 3D turbulent flows.

// wavelets. ens. fr → publications

HANS LIEPMANN'S THOUGHTS

Santa Barbara, 12th February 77

'As long as we will not be able to predict the drag on a sphere or the pressure drop in a pipe from continuous, incompressible and Newtonian assumptions without any other complications (first principle), we will not have made it!'

⇒ study the production of vorticity at the boundaries and in shear layers



production
of vortices

Interaction
of vortices

Well-mixed
region