

Passive Scalar and Scalar Flux in Homogeneous Turbulence

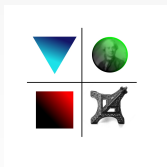
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Fluctuating fields

Velocity field

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - A_{ln} k_l \frac{\partial}{\partial k_n} + \nu k^2 \right) u_i(\mathbf{k}) + M_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) \hat{u}_j(\mathbf{k}) + iP_{imn}(\mathbf{k}) \widehat{u_m u_n}(\mathbf{k}) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$M_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) = (\delta_{in} - 2\alpha_i \alpha_n) A_{nj}$, A_{ij} mean velocity gradient matrix.

Scalar field

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - A_{jl} k_j \frac{\partial}{\partial k_l} + a k^2 \right) \hat{\theta}(\mathbf{k}) + \lambda_j \hat{u}_j(\mathbf{k}) = -ik_j \widehat{\theta u_j}(\mathbf{k}) \quad (2)$$

λ_l scalar gradient

Kinetic Craya equation

$$\frac{d\hat{R}_{ij}}{dt} + 2\nu k^2 \hat{R}_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) + M_{in}(\mathbf{k})\hat{R}_{nj}(\mathbf{k}) + M_{jn}(\mathbf{k})\hat{R}_{ni}(\mathbf{k}) = T_{ij}^{NL}(\mathbf{k}) \quad (3)$$

Spectral Reynolds tensor $\hat{R}_{ij}(\mathbf{k}, t)\delta(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{p}) = \langle \hat{u}_i^*(\mathbf{p}, t)\hat{u}_j(\mathbf{k}, t) \rangle$.

Scalar Craya equation

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}^T}{dt} + 2ak^2\mathcal{E}^T(\mathbf{k}) + 2\lambda_I F_I(\mathbf{k}) = T^{T,NL}(\mathbf{k}) \quad (4)$$

Spectral scalar correlation $\langle \hat{\theta}^*(\mathbf{p})\hat{\theta}(\mathbf{k}) \rangle = \mathcal{E}^T(\mathbf{k})\delta(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{p})$.

Scalar Flux Craya equation

$$\frac{dF_i}{dt} + (\nu + a)k^2 F_i(\mathbf{k}) + M_{ij}(\mathbf{k})F_j(\mathbf{k}) + \lambda_j \hat{R}_{ij} = T_i^{F,NL}(\mathbf{k}) \quad (5)$$

Spectral scalar flux correlation $\langle \hat{u}_i^*(\mathbf{p})\hat{\theta}(\mathbf{k}) \rangle = F_i(\mathbf{k})\delta(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{p})$.

Spherically-averaged Lin equations

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2\nu k^2\right) E(k, t) = S^{L(iso)}(k, t) + S^{NL(iso)}(k, t) \quad (6)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2\nu k^2\right) E(k, t) H_{ij}^{(dir)}(k, t) = S_{ij}^{L(dir)}(k, t) + S_{ij}^{NL(dir)}(k, t) \quad (7)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2\nu k^2\right) E(k, t) H_{ij}^{(pol)}(k, t) = S_{ij}^{L(pol)}(k, t) + S_{ij}^{NL(pol)}(k, t) \quad (8)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2ak^2\right) E_T(k, t) = S^{T,L(iso)}(k, t) + S^{T,NL(iso)}(k, t) \quad (9)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2ak^2\right) E_T(k, t) H_{ij}^{(T)}(k, t) = S_{ij}^{T,L(dir)}(k, t) + S_{ij}^{T,NL(dir)}(k, t) \quad (10)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (a + \nu)k^2\right) E_F H_i^{(F)}(k, t) = S_i^{F,L}(k, t) + S_i^{F,NL}(k, t) \quad (11)$$

Spectra, energies, dissipation rates (1/2)

- Kinetic energy and scalar variance spectra

$$E(k, t) = \int_{S_k} \frac{\hat{R}_{ii}(\mathbf{k}, t)}{2} d^2\mathbf{k}, \quad E_T(k, t) = \int_{S_k} \mathcal{E}^T(\mathbf{k}, t) d^2\mathbf{k} \quad (12)$$

- Kinetic and scalar energies and dissipation rates

$$K_{(T)}(t) = \int_0^\infty E_{(T)}(k, t) dk, \quad \epsilon_{(T)}(t) = 2\nu_{(T)} \int_0^\infty k^2 E_{(T)}(k, t) dk \quad (13)$$

- Directional anisotropy

$$2E(k, t)H_{ij}^{(dir)}(k, t) = \int_{S_k} \hat{R}_{ij}^{(dir)}(\mathbf{k}, t) d^2\mathbf{k} \quad (14)$$

- Polarization anisotropy

$$2E(k, t)H_{ij}^{(pol)}(k, t) = \int_{S_k} \hat{R}_{ij}^{(pol)}(\mathbf{k}, t) d^2\mathbf{k} \quad (15)$$

Spectra, energies, dissipation rates (2/2)

- Scalar directional anisotropy

$$2E_T(k, t)H_{ij}^{(T)}(k, t) = \int_{S_k} \mathcal{E}^{(T, dir)} P_{ij}(\mathbf{k}, t) d^2\mathbf{k} \quad (16)$$

- Scalar flux anisotropy

$$E_F H_i^{(F)}(k, t) = \int_{S_k} F_i(\mathbf{k}, t) d^2\mathbf{k}, \quad F_i = \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{E}_0^F H_j^{(F)} P_{ij} \quad (17)$$

- Cospectrum and streamwise flux

$$\mathcal{F}(k, t) = E_F H_3^{(F)}(k, t), \quad \mathcal{F}_S(k, t) = E_F H_1^{(F)}(k, t) \quad (18)$$

- Cospectrum and streamwise flux energies and dissipation rates

$$K_{\mathcal{F}}^{(S)}(t) = \int_0^\infty \mathcal{F}_{(S)}(k, t) dk, \quad \epsilon_{\mathcal{F}}^{(S)}(t) = (\nu + a) \int_0^\infty k^2 \mathcal{F}_{(S)}(k, t) dk \quad (19)$$

Homogeneous Isotropic Turbulence with Scalar Gradient

Cospectrum \mathcal{F} with scalar gradient Λ

$$\mathcal{F}(k, t) = E_F H_3^{(F)}(k, t), \quad \lambda = (0, 0, -\Lambda) \quad (20)$$

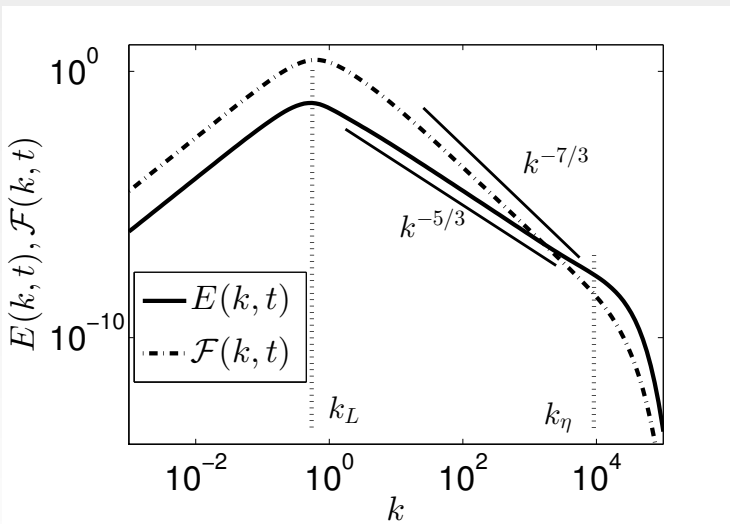
Spectral behavior : Lumley (1967), Bos (2005)

$$\mathcal{F}(k, t) = C_{\mathcal{F}} \Lambda \epsilon^{1/3} k^{-7/3} \quad (21)$$

Other scaling using $\epsilon_{\mathcal{F}}$

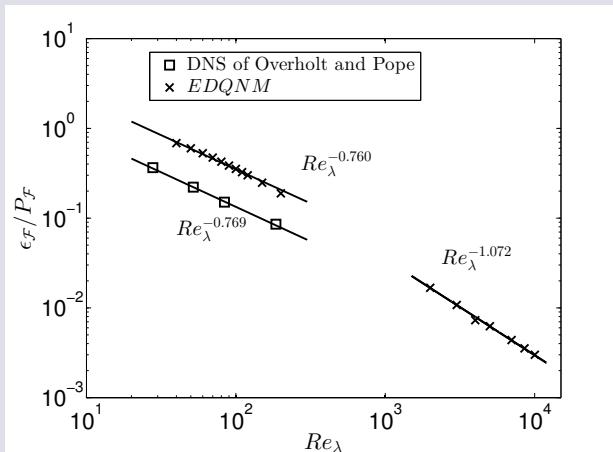
$$\mathcal{F}(k, t) = C_{\mathcal{F}} \epsilon^{-1/3} \epsilon_{\mathcal{F}} k^{-5/3} \quad (22)$$

- $\epsilon_{\mathcal{F}}$ is not conserved
- Same scaling as for $E_T(k, t)$

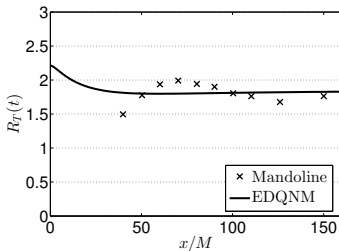
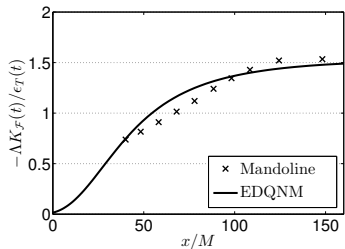
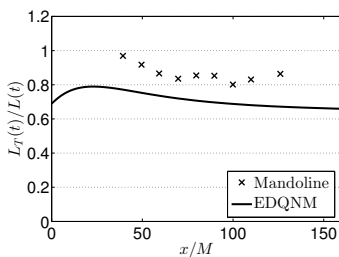
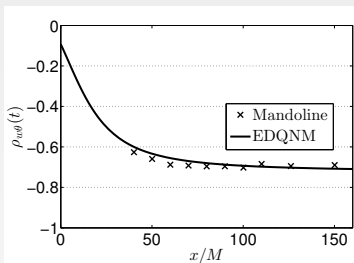
Spectral behavior of $\mathcal{F}(k, t)$ 

Production and dissipation - DNS Overholt & Pope (1996)

$$\epsilon_{\mathcal{F}}(t) = (\nu + a) \int_0^{\infty} k^2 \mathcal{F}(k, t) dk, \quad P_{\mathcal{F}}(t) = -\frac{2}{3} \Lambda K(t) \quad (23)$$



Sirivat & Warhaft (1983), $\beta = 1.78^\circ C.m^{-1}$, $\Lambda = 0.152$



Decay of the cospectrum

- Power law decay

$$K_{\mathcal{F}}(t) \sim t^{\alpha_{\mathcal{F}}}$$

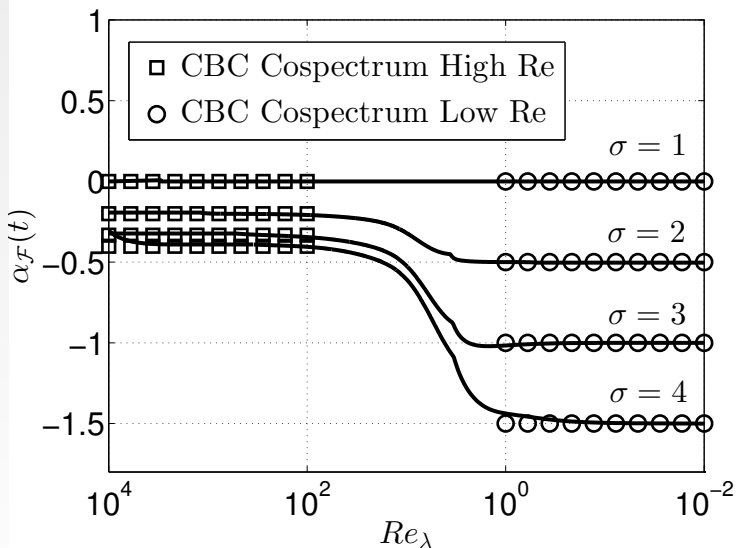
- High Reynolds regime : inertial range dominant

$$K_{\mathcal{F}}(t) = \int_{k_L}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(k, t) \sim k_L^{-4/3} \epsilon^{1/3}$$

$$\alpha_{\mathcal{F}} = -\frac{\sigma - p_{\mathcal{F}} - 1}{\sigma - p + 3}, \quad p_{\mathcal{F}} = \frac{1}{2}(p + p_T) = 0.4075$$

- Low Reynolds regime : Production through scalar gradient dominant

$$\frac{dK_{\mathcal{F}}}{dt} = P_{\mathcal{F}} = \frac{2}{3}\Lambda K, \quad \alpha_{\mathcal{F}} = -\frac{\sigma - 1}{2}$$

Cospectrum energy $K_{\mathcal{F}}$ and scalar dissipation $\epsilon_{\mathcal{T}}$ 

Growth of the passive scalar with the gradient Λ

- Power law growth

$$K_T(t) \sim t^{\alpha_T^\Lambda}$$

- Production through the cospectrum dominant

$$\frac{dK_T}{dt} \sim \Lambda K_{\mathcal{F}}(t)$$

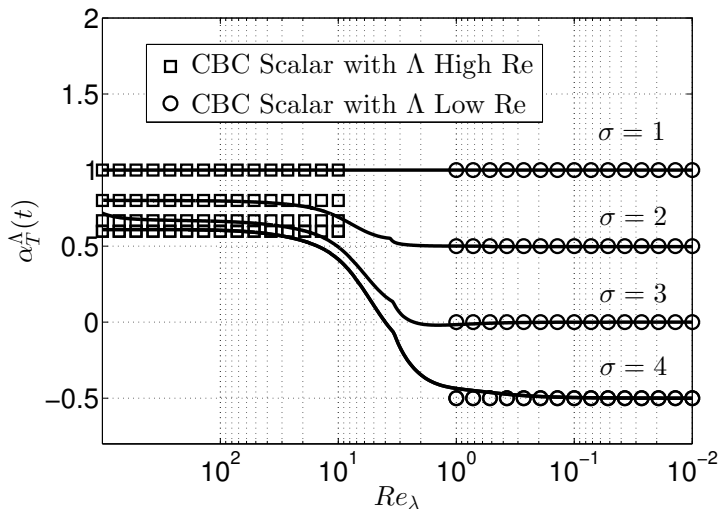
- High Reynolds regime

$$\alpha_T^\Lambda = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p_T - p + 8}{\sigma - p + 3}$$

Agreement with Chasnov (1995) for Saffman turbulence $\alpha_T^\Lambda = 4/5$.

- Low Reynolds regime

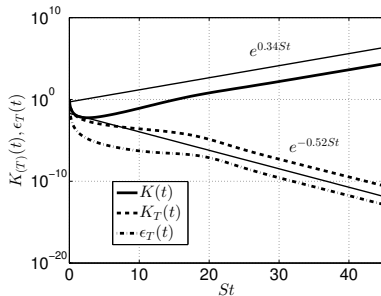
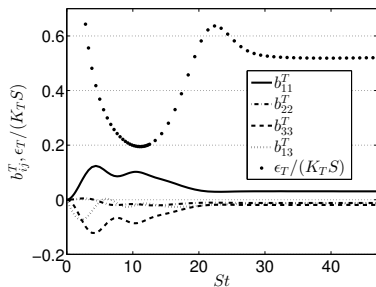
$$\alpha_T^\Lambda = -\frac{\sigma - 3}{2}$$

Scalar energy K_T 

Passive scalar with an uniform shear S

Exponential decrease : Gonzalez (2000)

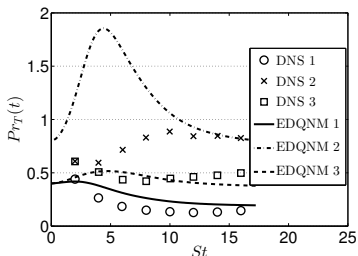
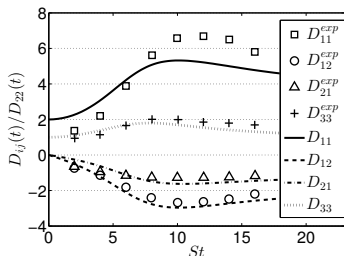
$$K_T(t) = K_T^\infty \exp(\gamma_T St), \quad \epsilon_T(t) = \epsilon_T^\infty \exp(\gamma_T St), \quad \gamma_T = -\frac{\epsilon_T}{SK_T}$$

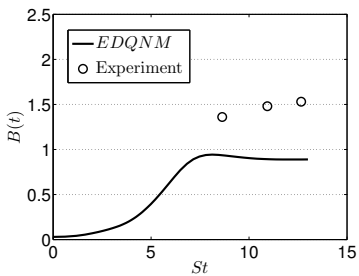
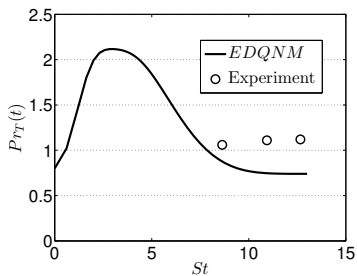
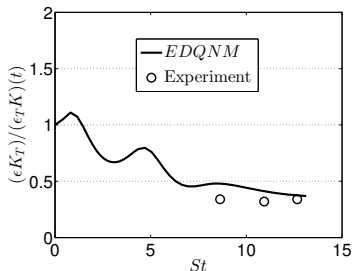
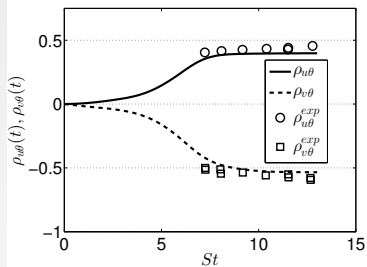


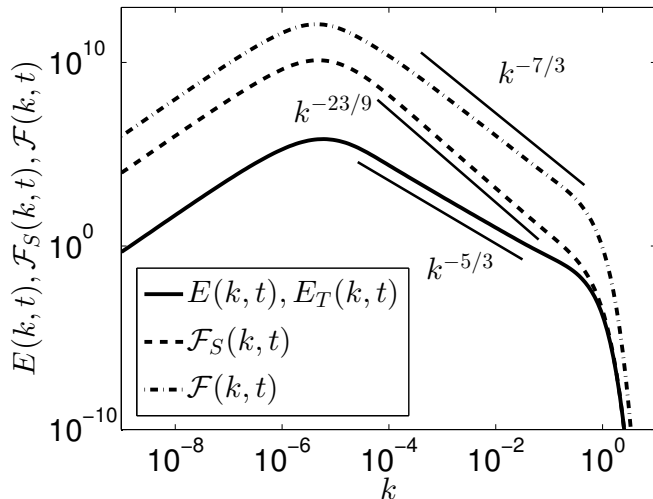
Rogers, Mansour & Reynolds (1989) : $S = 14.142$ and $\Lambda = 2.5$

Integrated quantities

- Diffusivity tensor $D_{ij}(t) = - \langle \theta u_i \rangle / \lambda_j$
- Turbulence Prandtl number $Pr_T(t) = -R_{12}(t)/(SD_{ii}(t))$
- Scalar flux correlation $\rho_{u_i\theta}(t) = \frac{\langle u_i\theta \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle u_i^2 \rangle \langle \theta^2 \rangle}} = \frac{K_F}{\sqrt{2K_T R_{ii}}}$



Tavoularis & Corrsin (1981) : $S = 6.19$ and $\Lambda = 0.1823$ 

Spectral behavior of $\mathcal{F}_S(k, t)$ 

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