



Intermittence multifractale lagrangienne de scalaires passifs

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How marine organisms “see the world”

- Benthic organisms: Eulerian point of view
- Plankton: advected by turbulence; Lagrangian point of view



Eulerian framework: classical Kolmogorov-Richardson cascade picture

Cascade ideas of Richardson (1922)

- Formalized by Kolmogorov (1941)
- **Energy input at large scales; dissipation at small scales: between=interial range scales; energy cascade**
- Inertial range scales characterized by a $-5/3$ power law spectrum
- in real space: structure functions

$$\langle \Delta U_l^q \rangle \approx l^{\zeta_E(q)}$$

- Exact result: $\zeta_E(3) = 1$
- other property: $\zeta(q)$ nonlinear and concave: multifractality

Lagrangian framework: less classical Landau-Novikov Lagrangian cascade

$V(x_0, t)$ velocity of an element of fluid at time t , initially at position $x(0) = x_0$ Denoted $V(t)$ by statistical homogeneity

- Landau and Lipschitz framework: $\Delta V_\tau \approx \varepsilon^{1/2} \tau^{1/2}$
- Later generalized by Novikov (1989) to take into account intermittency: $\langle \Delta V_\tau^q \rangle \approx \tau^{\zeta_L(q)}$
- Exact result: $\zeta_L(2) = 1$
- other property: $\zeta(q)$ nonlinear and concave: multifractality

Eulerian framework: Corrsin-Obukhov cascade

- Obukhov (1949) and Corrsin (1951)
- **Coupling of two cascades: flux of energy and passive scalar variance**

$$\Delta\theta_l \approx \varepsilon_l^{-1/6} \chi_l^{1/3} l^{1/3}$$

- Inertial range scales characterized by a $-5/3$ power law spectrum
- in real space: structure functions

$$\langle \Delta\theta_l^q \rangle \approx l^{\zeta_\theta(q)}$$

- No exact result: $\zeta_\theta(3) \neq 1$

- other property: $\zeta(q)$ nonlinear and concave: multifractality

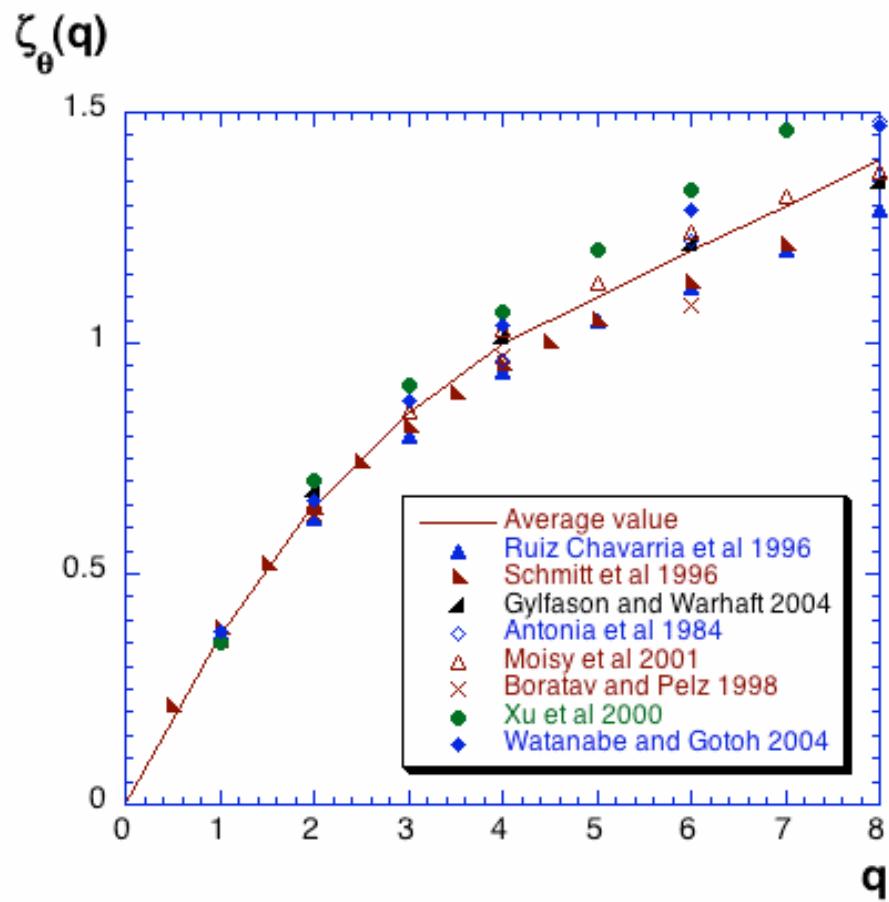
Experimental convergence

Table 1. Average values of $\zeta_\theta(q)$ with error bars, estimated from several published estimates [16–23].

q	$\zeta_\theta(q)$
1	0.365 ± 0.015
2	0.65 ± 0.03
3	0.85 ± 0.05
4	0.99 ± 0.05
5	1.10 ± 0.05
6	1.20 ± 0.08
7	1.30 ± 0.1
8	1.40 ± 0.12

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Mixed structure functions

- Yaglom (1949)'s relation $\langle \Delta\theta_l^2 \Delta U_l \rangle = -\frac{4}{3} \chi l$
- **Generalized for other order of moments:**
$$\langle (\Delta\theta_l^2 \Delta U_l)^{q/3} \rangle \approx l^{\zeta_m(q)}$$
- Exact result: $\zeta_m(3) = 1$
- Other property: $\zeta_m(q)$ nonlinear and concave; close to velocity structure functions

Mixed structure functions

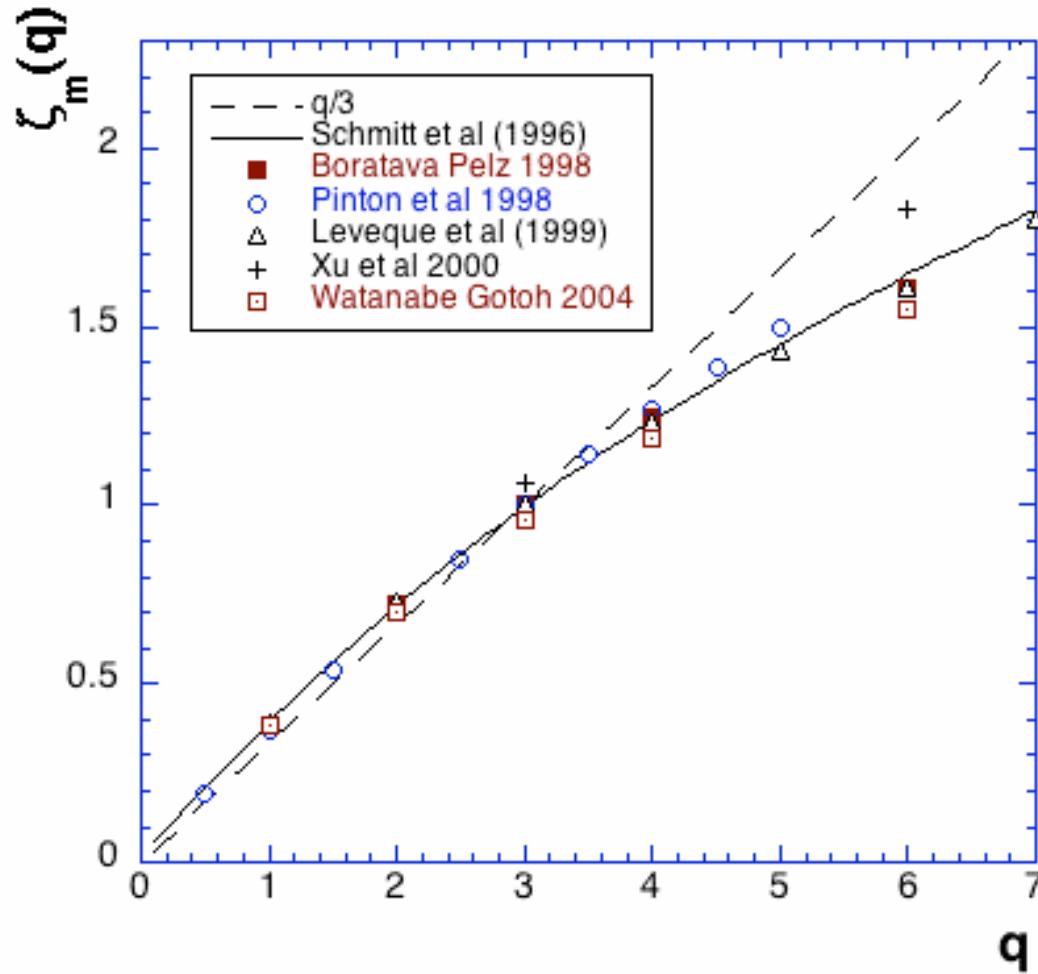
Table 2. Some recent experimental estimations for $\zeta_m(q)$. A: Large Re : atmospheric data [18]; B: DNS data, $Pr = 1$ and $R_\lambda = 141$ [19]; C: Experimental data, coaxial rotating disks, $Pr = 0.7$ and $R_\lambda = 367$ [28]; D: Experimental data, downstream of a cylinder, $Pr = 0.7$ and $R_\lambda = 300$ [29]; E: DNS data, $Pr = 1$ and $R_\lambda = 427$ [23]; F: Experimental data, round jet, $Pr = 0.7$ and $R_\lambda = 550$ [20]; G: Experimental data, grid turbulence, $Pr = 0.7$ and $R_\lambda = 582$ [31].

q	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
0.5	0.21		0.19				
1	0.39		0.37	0.39	0.38		
1.5	0.56		0.54				
2	0.72	0.72	0.70	0.73	0.70		
2.5	0.87		0.85				
3	1	1	1	1	0.96	1.06	1
3.5	1.12		1.14				
4	1.24	1.25	1.27	1.23	1.19		
4.5	1.35		1.39				
5	1.45		1.50	1.43			
6	1.65	1.83		1.61	1.55	1.83	1.52
7	1.83			1.80			
8	2.00			1.95	1.86		

$$\langle (\Delta \theta_l^2 \Delta U_l)^{q/3} \rangle \approx l^{\zeta_m(q)}$$

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Lagrangian framework: Inoue-Novikov Lagrangian intermittency

$\Theta(x_0, t)$ velocity of an element of fluid at time t , initially at position $x(0) = x_0$ Denoted $\Theta(t)$ by statistical homogeneity

- Inoue (1952)'s framework: $\Delta\Theta_\tau \approx \varphi^{1/2} \tau^{1/2}$
- Later generalized by Novikov (1989) to take into account intermittency: $\langle \Delta\Theta_\tau^q \rangle \approx \tau^{\xi_\theta(q)}$
- Exact result: $\xi_\theta(2) = 1$
- other property: $\xi(q)$ nonlinear and concave: multifractality



No experimental results up to now

How to relate Eulerian and Lagrangian scaling exponents?

$$\langle \Delta\theta_l^q \rangle \approx l^{\xi_\theta(q)} \quad \langle (\Delta\theta_l^2 \Delta U_l)^{q/3} \rangle \approx l^{\xi_m(q)} \quad \langle \Delta\Theta_\tau^q \rangle \approx \tau^{\xi_\theta(q)}$$

$$\xi_\theta(q) \quad \text{vs.} \quad \xi_\theta(q), \xi_m(q)$$

2 sets of hypotheses

1. A statistical relation linking space and time

2. A statistical relation between Eulerian and Lagrangian variables

2 sets of hypotheses: 4 possible relations

1. A statistical relation linking space and time

Direct scaling relation by dimensional analysis:

$$l^2 \approx \tau^3$$

α

Other law taking into account the intermittency of velocity fluctuations (Boffetta et al, 2002)

$$\Delta U_l \approx l^{h_u}$$

β

2. A statistical relation between Eulerian and Lagrangian variables

Ergodicity arguments for the dissipation (Borgas, 1993)

$$\langle \chi_l^q \rangle = \langle \varphi_l^q \rangle$$

A

Decorrelation of eddies argument (Boffetta et al, 2002)

$$\Delta \theta_l \approx \Delta \Theta_\tau$$

B

Results for the links between ξ_θ and ζ_θ, ζ_m

1. Deterministic time and eddies argument

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α
B

$$\xi_\theta(q) = \frac{3}{2} \zeta_\theta(q); \quad \text{case I}$$

$$\rightarrow \xi_\theta(2) = \frac{3}{2} \zeta_\theta(2) \approx 1 \quad \text{since} \quad \zeta_\theta(2) \approx 0.65$$

Results for the links between ξ_θ and ζ_θ, ζ_m

2. Deterministic time and ergodicity argument

α
A

$$\xi_\theta(q) = \frac{3}{2} \zeta_m\left(\frac{3q}{2}\right) - \frac{q}{4}; \quad \text{case II}$$



$$\xi_\theta(2) = 1 \quad \text{since} \quad \zeta_m(3) = 1$$

Results for the links between ξ_θ and ζ_θ, ζ_m

3. Intermittent time and eddies argument

β
A

$$\langle \chi_\ell^q \rangle \sim \frac{\langle \Delta \theta_\ell^{2q} \Delta U_\ell^q \rangle}{\ell^q}$$

$$\sim \int_{(h_\theta, h_u)} e^{2qh_\theta + qh_u + c(h_\theta, h_u) - q} d(h_\theta, h_u)$$

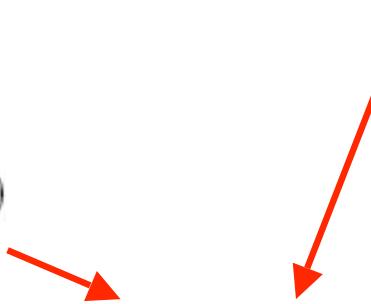
$$\sim \int_{(h_\theta, h_u)} \tau^{\frac{2qh_\theta + qh_u + c(h_\theta, h_u) - q}{1-h_u}} d(h_\theta, h_u)$$

$$-K_\varphi(q) = \min_{(h_\theta, h_u)} \left(\frac{2qh_\theta + qh_u + c(h_\theta, h_u) - q}{1 - h_u} \right)$$

$$\begin{cases} \zeta_m(3q) = 2qh_u + c_1(h_u) \\ q = -\frac{1}{2}c'_1(h_u). \end{cases}$$

$$c_1(h_u) = c(h_u/2, h_u)$$

$$h_\theta = h_u/2$$



$$-K_\varphi(q) = \min_{h_u} \left\{ \frac{2qh_u + c_1(h_u) - q}{1 - h_u} \right\}$$

Results for the links between ξ_θ and ζ_θ, ζ_m

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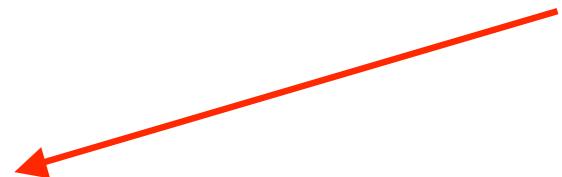
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$$-K_\varphi(q) = \min_{h_u} \left\{ \frac{2qh_u + c_1(h_u) - q}{1 - h_u} \right\}$$

$$H_q(h_u) = \frac{2qh_u + c_1(h_u) - q}{1 - h_u}$$

Minimal for h_0

$$H_q'(h_0) = 0$$



$$\text{gives } h_0 q_0$$

$$\begin{cases} \xi_\theta(q) = \zeta_m(q_0) \\ \frac{q}{2} = \frac{2q_0}{3} - \zeta_m(q_0) \end{cases}$$

case III

$$\zeta_m(3) = 1 \quad \text{gives} \quad \xi_\theta(2) = 1$$

Results for the links between ξ_θ and ζ_θ, ζ_m

4. Intermittent time and ergodicity argument

β
B

$$\begin{aligned}\tau^{\xi_\theta(q)} &\sim \langle \Delta\Theta_\tau^q \rangle \sim \langle \Delta\theta_\ell^q \rangle \\ &\sim \int \ell^{qh_\theta + c(h_\theta)} dp(h_\theta) \\ &\sim \int \tau^{\frac{qh_\theta + c(h_\theta)}{1-h_u}} dp(h_\theta).\end{aligned}$$

$$\xi_\theta(q) = \min_{(h_\theta, h_u)} \left(\frac{qh_\theta + c(h_\theta)}{1-h_u} \right)$$

Here an additional hypothesis is needed:

$$\text{if } h_u = 1/3 \quad \xi_\theta(q) = \frac{3}{2} \zeta_\theta(q); \quad \text{case I}$$

if h_u, h_θ independent

$$\begin{aligned}\xi_\theta(q) &= \frac{\min_{h_\theta} \{qh_\theta + c(h_\theta)\}}{\max_{h_u} \{1-h_u\}} \\ &= \frac{\zeta_\theta(q)}{1-h_{\min}}\end{aligned}$$

Results for the links between ξ_θ and ζ_θ, ζ_m

4. Intermittent time and ergodicity argument

β
B

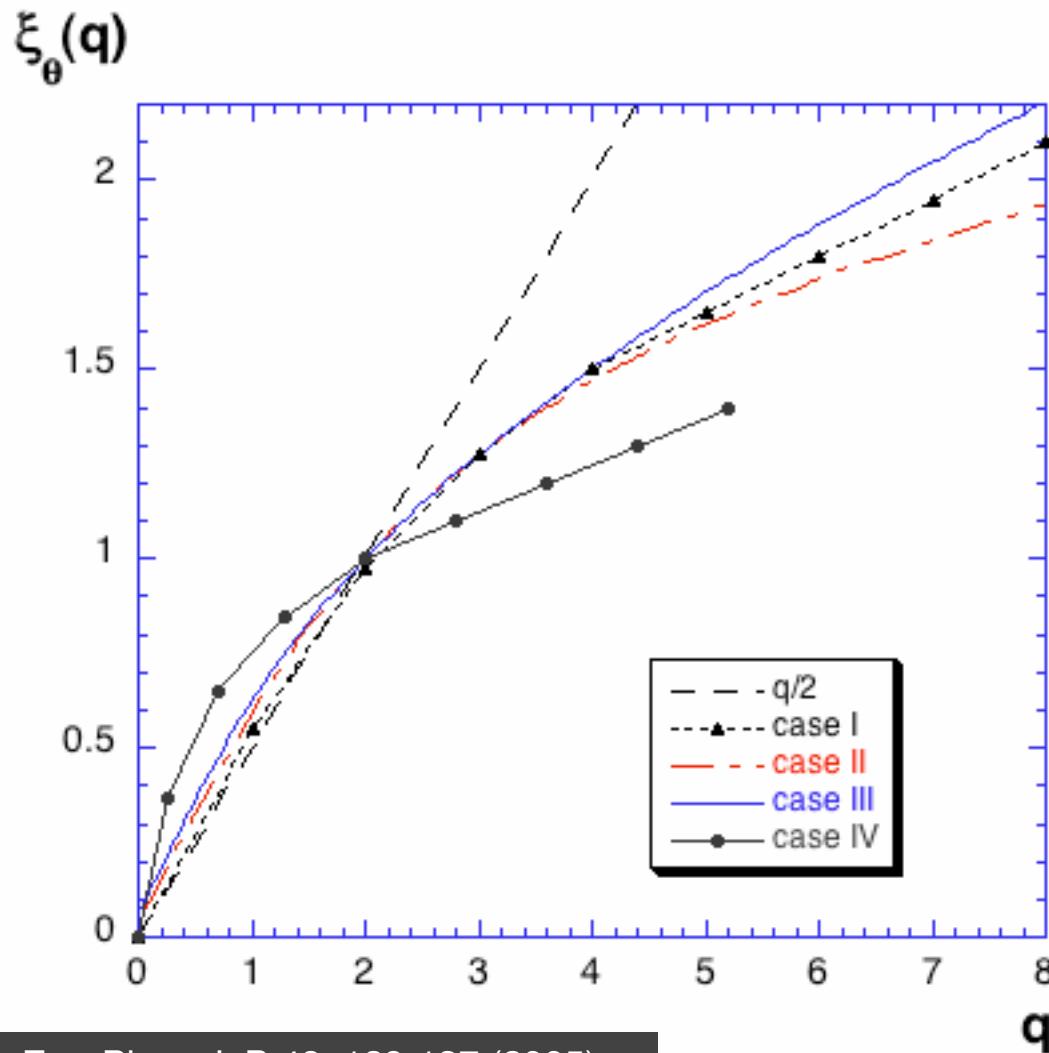
$$\xi_\theta(q) = \min_{(h_\theta, h_u)} \left(\frac{qh_\theta + c(h_\theta)}{1 - h_u} \right) \quad \text{if} \quad h_\theta = h_u/2 \quad \xi_\theta(q) = \min_{h_\theta} \left(\frac{qh_\theta + c(h_\theta)}{1 - 2h_\theta} \right)$$

Gives using several Legendre transforms:

$$\begin{cases} \xi_\theta(q) = \zeta_\theta(q_0) \\ q = q_0 - 2\zeta_\theta(q_0) \end{cases} \quad \text{case IV}$$

To obtain $\xi_\theta(2) = 1$ one needs $\zeta_\theta(4) = 1$ which is experimentally approximatively verified

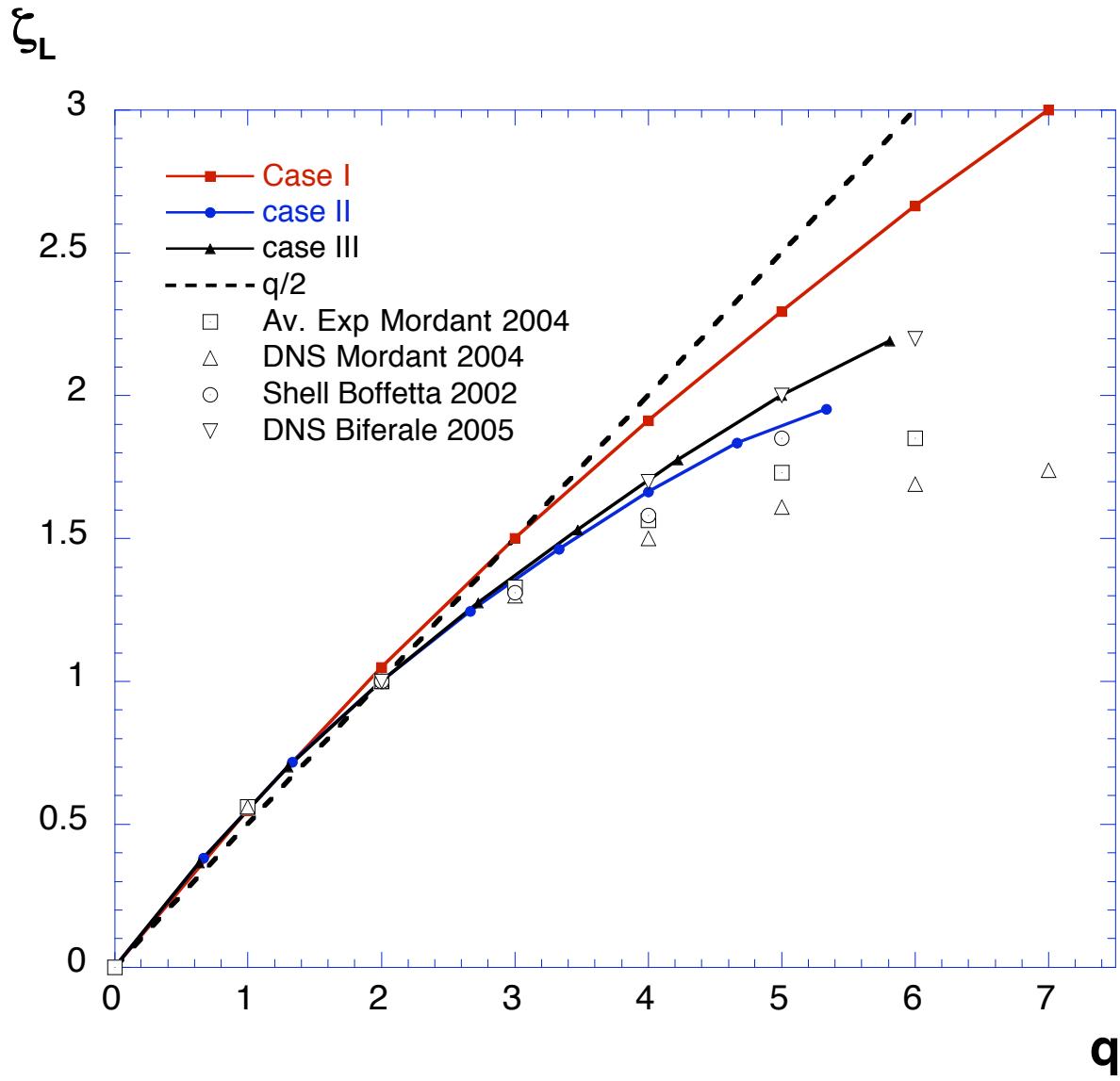
Comparing predictions



Using experimental averages for ζ_θ, ζ_m

Cases I and II are not realistic
Cases III and IV are more realistic
Case IV's curve is quite different from the others

The same approach for velocity: 3 predictions



Lagrangian
experimental and
numerical values

Approche expérimentale

Flotteur lagrangien océanique de petite taille



8 cm de long

50g

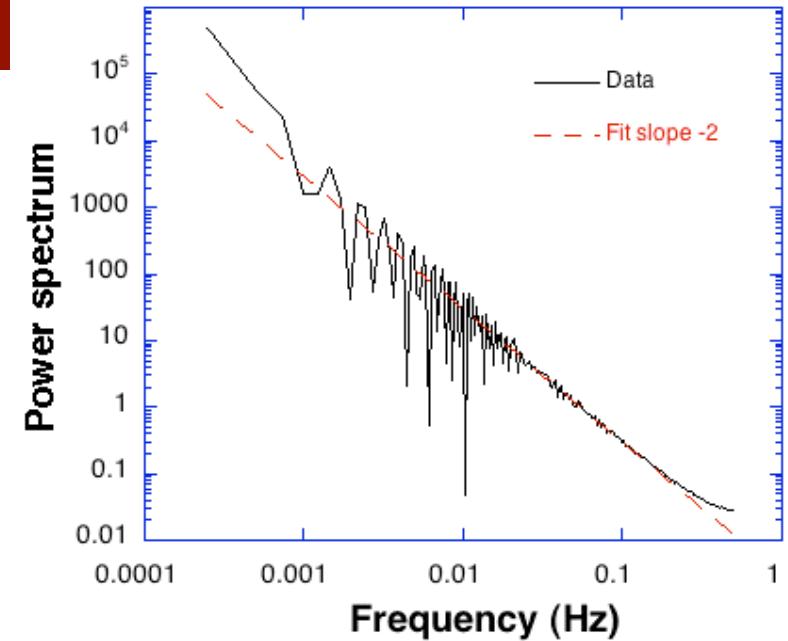
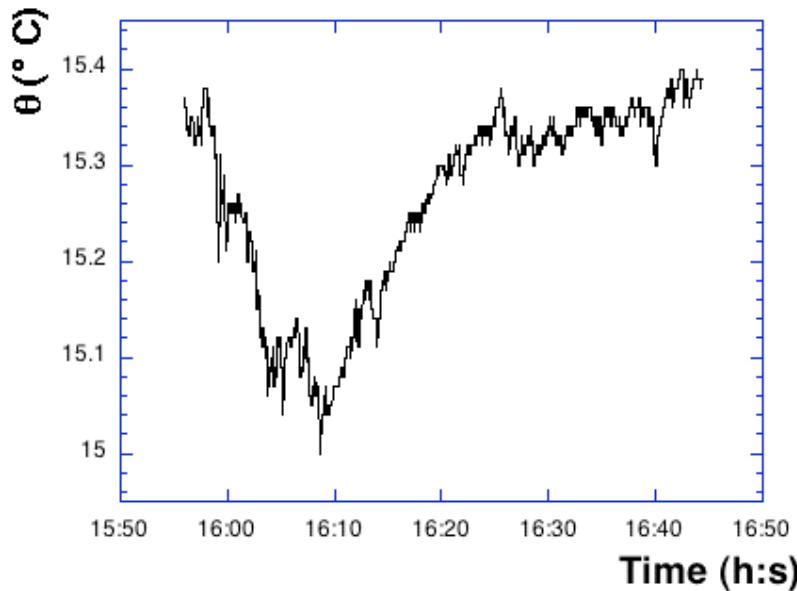
Alec Electronics MDS MkV/T

Capteur de température
miniature
Fréquence
d'échantillonnage: 1 Hz

Etude préliminaire: 2 séries temporelles de 80 et
50 min, enregistrées à partir d'un zodiac près du
flotteur lagrangien (contact visuel)

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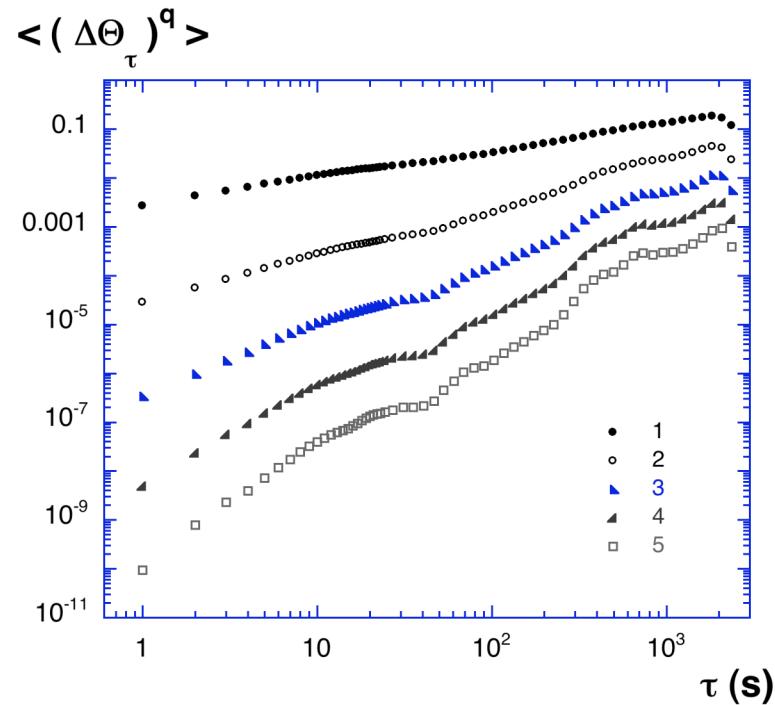


Spectre en ω^{-2}

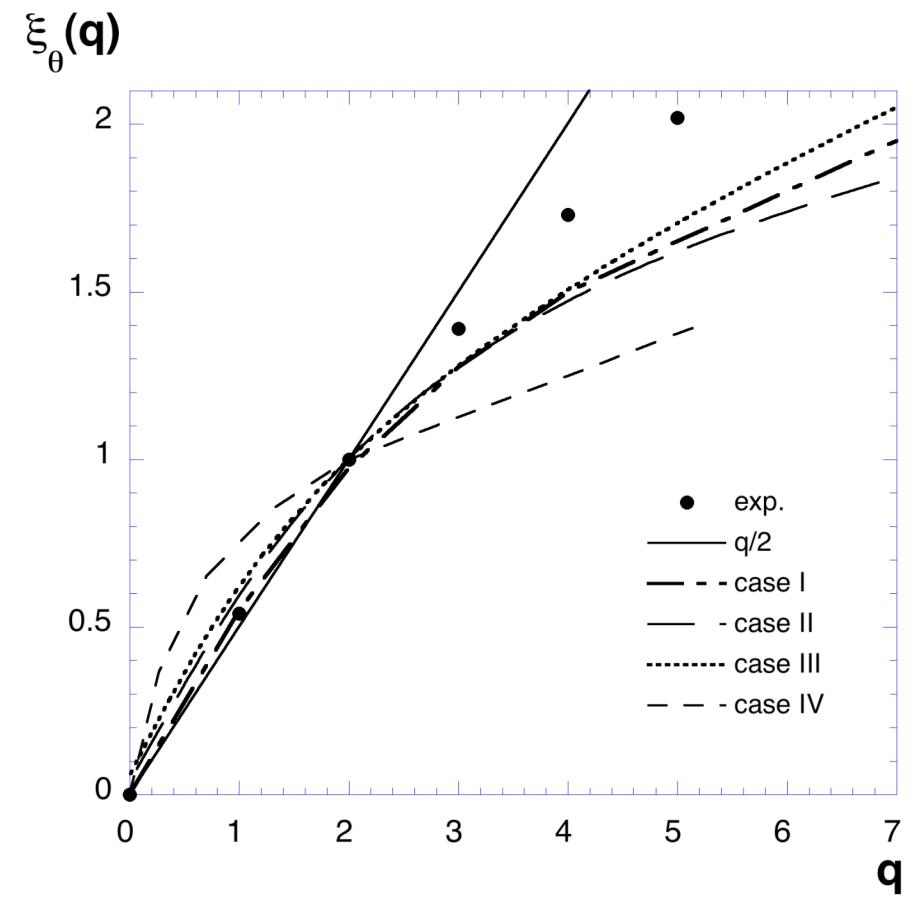
Intermittence malgré des problèmes de précision des mesures (discrétisation)

Approche expérimentale

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Multifractalité des fluctuations de scalaire passif lagrangien
mais les relations proposées ne semblent pas vérifiées



Conclusion

- Multifractalité des fluctuations de scalaire passif lagrangien mais les relations proposées ne semblent pas vérifiées
- Plus de données? Nouvelle campagne prévue, avec capteur plus précis, et durée plus longue

Perspectives

- Capteur de plus petite taille?
- Données DNS?

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International Summer School on Turbulence, Plankton and Marine Snow

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1 - 5 September 2008

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The aim of the meeting is to provide an intense course on current advances in the field with six invited didactical lectures by top specialists in the subject. The main emphasis will be put on the fluid-mechanical aspects of ocean flows, dispersion of species in small-scale turbulence and the available numerical and experimental techniques to analyze those. Additionally, it is aimed to promote the interactions between marine biology and fluid mechanics by bringing together senior and junior scientists from both disciplines, and to stimulate discussions and interaction between colleagues from the two disciplines. Besides the keynote lectures there will be room for several lectures by senior researchers on specialized topics.

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The following keynote lectures will be given:

- turbulence in the ocean: an introduction to its physics (Steve Thorpe, Bangor, UK)
- experiments and observation of plankton in turbulence (Francesc Peters, Barcelona, Spain)
- planktonic population dynamics in turbulent boundary layers (David Lewis, Liverpool, UK)
- mesoscale turbulence and plankton patchiness (Marina Levy, Paris, France)
- small-scale hydrodynamics and plankton (Andy Visser, Copenhagen, Denmark)
- the formation and fate of marine snow: the role of hydrodynamics (Thomas Kjerfve, Copenhagen, Denmark)

Besides short lectures on special topics will be given, covering:

- turbulent exchange in the benthic boundary layer (Luca van Duren, Delft, The Netherlands)
- planktonic contact and capture rates in turbulent environments (Hans Pecseli, Oslo, Norway)
- using CFD to investigate the copepod hydrodynamics (Houssuo Jiang, Woods Hole, USA)
- animal and robot strategies for tracking odors underwater (Frank Grasso, New York, USA)
- physical gradients and biological responses across the edge of the continental shelf (Jonathan Sharples, Liverpool, UK)

Finally, also the junior participants will be invited to present their work in separate oral sessions.

The Summer School is organized by:

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¹ Maximum number of participants is 25.