On the Global Attractor of 2D Incompressible Turbulence with Random Forcing

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Turbulence

Big whirls have little whirls that feed on their velocity, and little whirls have littler whirls and so on to viscosity... [Richardson 1922]

• In 1941, Kolmogorov conjectured that the energy spectrum of 3D incompressible turbulence exhibits a self-similar powerlaw scaling characterized by a uniform *cascade* of energy to molecular (viscous) scales:

$$E(k) = C\epsilon^{2/3}k^{-5/3}.$$

- Here k is the Fourier wavenumber and E(k) is normalized so that $\int E(k) dk$ is the total energy.
- Kolmogorov suggested that C might be a universal constant.

3D Energy Cascade



2D Incompressible Turbulence

- In 2D, where \boldsymbol{u} maps a plane normal to $\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}$ to R^2 , the vorticity vector $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \boldsymbol{u}$ is always perpendicular to \boldsymbol{u} .
- Navier–Stokes equation for the scalar vorticity $\omega = \hat{z} \cdot \nabla \times u$:

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} \omega = -\nu \nabla^2 \omega + f.$$

• The incompressibility condition $\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0$ can be exploited to find \boldsymbol{u} in terms of ω :

$$\boldsymbol{\nabla}\boldsymbol{\omega}\times\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}=\boldsymbol{\nabla}\times\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}\boldsymbol{\omega}=\boldsymbol{\nabla}\times(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\times\boldsymbol{u})=\boldsymbol{\nabla}(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\cdot\boldsymbol{u})-\nabla^{2}\boldsymbol{u}=-\nabla^{2}\boldsymbol{u}.$$

• Thus $\boldsymbol{u} = \hat{\boldsymbol{z}} \times \boldsymbol{\nabla} \nabla^{-2} \boldsymbol{\omega}$. In Fourier space:

$$\frac{d\omega_{\mathbf{k}}}{dt} = S_{\mathbf{k}} - \nu k^2 \omega_{\mathbf{k}} + f_{\mathbf{k}},$$

where
$$S_{\boldsymbol{k}} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{q}} \frac{\hat{\boldsymbol{z}} \times \boldsymbol{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{k}}{q^2} \overline{\omega}_{\boldsymbol{q}} \overline{\omega}_{-\boldsymbol{k}-\boldsymbol{q}} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{p},\boldsymbol{q}} \frac{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\boldsymbol{k}\boldsymbol{p}\boldsymbol{q}}}{q^2} \overline{\omega}_{\boldsymbol{p}} \overline{\omega}_{\boldsymbol{q}}.$$

Here $\epsilon_{kpq} \doteq \hat{z} \cdot p \times q \, \delta_{k+p+q}$ is antisymmetric under permutation of any two indices.

$$\frac{d\omega_{\boldsymbol{k}}}{dt} + \nu k^2 \omega_{\boldsymbol{k}} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{p}} \sum_{\boldsymbol{q}} \frac{\epsilon_{\boldsymbol{k}\boldsymbol{p}\boldsymbol{q}}}{q^2} \overline{\omega_{\boldsymbol{p}}} \overline{\omega_{\boldsymbol{q}}} + f_{\boldsymbol{k}},$$

• When $\nu = f_k = 0$:

enstrophy
$$Z = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k} |\omega_{k}|^{2}$$
 and energy $E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k} \frac{|\omega_{k}|^{2}}{k^{2}}$ are conserved:

$$\frac{\epsilon_{kpq}}{q^2} \quad \text{antisymmetric in} \quad \boldsymbol{k} \leftrightarrow \boldsymbol{p},$$
$$\frac{1}{k^2} \frac{\epsilon_{kpq}}{q^2} \quad \text{antisymmetric in} \quad \boldsymbol{k} \leftrightarrow \boldsymbol{q}.$$

Fjørtoft Dual Cascade Scenario



 $E_2 = E_1 + E_3, \qquad Z_2 = Z_1 + Z_3, \qquad Z_i \approx k_i^2 E_i.$

• When $k_1 = k$, $k_2 = 2k$, and $k_3 = 4k$:

$$E_1 \approx \frac{4}{5}E_2, \quad Z_1 \approx \frac{1}{5}Z_2, \qquad E_3 \approx \frac{1}{5}E_2, \quad Z_3 \approx \frac{4}{5}Z_2.$$

• Fjørtoft [1953]: energy cascades to large scales and enstrophy cascades to small scales.

2D Energy Cascade



2D Turbulence: Mathematical Formulation

• Consider the Navier–Stokes equations for 2D incompressible homogeneous isotropic turbulence with density $\rho = 1$:

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} - \nu \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{\nabla} P = \boldsymbol{F},$$
$$\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0,$$
$$\int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{u} \, d\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{0}, \qquad \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{F} \, d\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{0},$$
$$\boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x}, 0) = \boldsymbol{u}_0(\boldsymbol{x}),$$

with $\Omega = [0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2\pi]$ and periodic boundary conditions on $\partial \Omega$.

• Introduce the Hilbert space

$$H(\Omega) \doteq \operatorname{cl} \left\{ \boldsymbol{u} \in (C^2(\Omega) \cap L^2(\Omega))^2 \mid \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0, \ \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{u} \, d\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{0} \right\}.$$

with inner product $(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) = \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) \cdot \boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) d\boldsymbol{x}$ and L^2 norm $|\boldsymbol{u}| = (\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u})^{1/2}$.

• For $\boldsymbol{u} \in H(\Omega)$, the Navier–Stokes equations can be expressed:

$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{u}}{dt} - \nu \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{\nabla} P = \boldsymbol{F}.$$

• Introduce $A \doteq -\mathcal{P}(\nabla^2)$, $\mathbf{f} \doteq \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{F})$, and the bilinear map

$$\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u}) \doteq \mathcal{P}\left(\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\boldsymbol{\nabla}\boldsymbol{u}+\boldsymbol{\nabla}P\right),$$

where \mathcal{P} is the Helmholtz–Leray projection operator from $(L^2(\Omega))^2$ to $H(\Omega)$:

$$\mathcal{P}(\boldsymbol{v}) \doteq \boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{\nabla} \nabla^{-2} \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, \qquad \forall \boldsymbol{v} \in (L^2(\Omega))^2.$$

• The dynamical system can then be compactly written:

$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{u}}{dt} + \nu A\boldsymbol{u} + \mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) = \boldsymbol{f}.$$

Stokes Operator A

- The operator $A = \mathcal{P}(-\nabla^2)$ is positive semi-definite and selfadjoint, with a compact inverse.
- On the periodic domain $\Omega = [0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2\pi]$, the eigenvalues of A are

 $\lambda = \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}, \qquad \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}.$

• The eigenvalues of A can be arranged as

$$0 < \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \cdots, \qquad \lambda_0 = 1$$

and its eigenvectors \boldsymbol{w}_i , $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$, form an orthonormal basis for the Hilbert space H, upon which we can define any quotient power of A:

$$A^{\alpha} \boldsymbol{w}_j = \lambda_j^{\alpha} \boldsymbol{w}_j, \qquad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

Subspace of Finite Enstrophy

• We define the subspace of H consisting of solutions with finite enstrophy:

$$V \doteq \left\{ \boldsymbol{u} \in H \mid \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda_j(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w}_j)^2 < \infty \right\}$$

• Another suitable norm for elements $\boldsymbol{u} \in V$ is

$$||\boldsymbol{u}|| = \left|A^{1/2}\boldsymbol{u}\right| = \left(\int_{\Omega}\sum_{i=1}^{2}\frac{\partial\boldsymbol{u}}{\partial x_{i}}\cdot\frac{\partial\boldsymbol{u}}{\partial x_{i}}\right)^{1/2} = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty}\lambda_{j}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{w}_{j})^{2}\right)^{1/2}$$

Properties of the Bilinear Map

• We will make use of the antisymmetry

$$(\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v}),\boldsymbol{w}) = -(\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{w}),\boldsymbol{v}).$$

• In 2D, we also have orthogonality:

$$(\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u}),A\boldsymbol{u})=0$$

and the strong form of enstrophy invariance:

$$(\mathcal{B}(A\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{v}),\boldsymbol{u}) = (\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v}),A\boldsymbol{v}).$$

• In 2D the above properties imply the symmetry

 $(\mathcal{B}(A\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u}),\boldsymbol{u}) + (\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{v},A\boldsymbol{v}),\boldsymbol{u}) + (\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{v}),A\boldsymbol{v}) = 0.$

• We will need the 2D Ladyzhenskaya inequality

$$|m{u}|_{L^4(\Omega)} \leq C_L |m{u}|^{1/2} ||m{u}||^{1/2},$$

where the constant C_L depends only on the domain Ω .

Dynamical Behaviour

• Our starting point is the incompressible 2D Navier–Stokes equation with periodic boundary conditions:

$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{u}}{dt} + \nu A\boldsymbol{u} + \mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}) = \boldsymbol{f}, \qquad \boldsymbol{u} \in H.$$

• Take the inner product with \boldsymbol{u} (respectively $A\boldsymbol{u}$):

$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}|\boldsymbol{u}(t)|^{2} + \nu||\boldsymbol{u}(t)||^{2} = (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{u}(t)),$$
$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}||\boldsymbol{u}(t)||^{2} + \nu|A\boldsymbol{u}(t)|^{2} = (\boldsymbol{f}, A\boldsymbol{u}(t)).$$

• The Cauchy–Schwarz and Poincaré inequalities yield

 $(\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{u}(t)) \leq |\boldsymbol{f}| |\boldsymbol{u}(t)|$ and $|\boldsymbol{u}(t)| \leq ||\boldsymbol{u}(t)||.$

• Since the existence and uniqueness for solutions to the 2D Navier–Stokes equation has been proven, a global attractor can be defined ?, ?.

Dynamical Behaviour: Constant Forcing

• If the force f is constant with respect to time, a Gronwall inequality can be exploited:

$$|\boldsymbol{u}(t)|^2 \le e^{-\nu t} |\boldsymbol{u}(0)|^2 + (1 - e^{-\nu t}) \left(\frac{|\boldsymbol{f}|}{\nu}\right)^2$$

• Defining a nondimensional Grashof number $G = \frac{|f|}{\nu^2}$, the above inequality can be simplified to

$$|\boldsymbol{u}(t)|^2 \le e^{-\nu t} |\boldsymbol{u}(0)|^2 + (1 - e^{-\nu t})\nu^2 G^2.$$

• Similarly,

$$||\boldsymbol{u}(t)||^2 \le e^{-\nu t} ||\boldsymbol{u}(0)||^2 + (1 - e^{-\nu t})\nu^2 G^2$$

• Being on the attractor thus requires

$$|\boldsymbol{u}| \leq \nu G$$
 and $||\boldsymbol{u}|| \leq \nu G$.

Attractor Set \mathcal{A}

• Let S be the solution operator:

$$S(t)\boldsymbol{u}_0 = \boldsymbol{u}(t), \qquad \boldsymbol{u}_0 = \boldsymbol{u}(0),$$

where $\boldsymbol{u}(t)$ is the unique solution of the Navier–Stokes equations.

- The closed ball \mathfrak{B} of radius νG in the space V is a bounded absorbing set in H.
- That is, for any bounded set \mathfrak{B}' there exists a time t_0 such that

$$t_0 = t_0(\mathfrak{B}'), \text{ and } S(t)\mathfrak{B}' \subset \mathfrak{B}, \quad \forall t \ge t_0.$$

• We can then construct the global attractor:

$$\mathcal{A} = \bigcap_{t \ge 0} S(t)\mathfrak{B},$$

so \mathcal{A} is the largest bounded, invariant set such that $S(t)\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}$ for all $t \geq 0$.

Z-E Plane Bounds: Constant Forcing

• A trivial lower bound is provided by the Poincaré inequality:

$$|\boldsymbol{u}|^2 \leq ||\boldsymbol{u}||^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad E \leq Z.$$

• An upper bound is given by

Theorem 1 (Dascaliuc, Foias, and Jolly [2005]) For all $u \in A$,

$$||oldsymbol{u}||^2 \leq rac{|oldsymbol{f}|}{
u}|oldsymbol{u}|.$$

• That is,

 $Z \le \nu G \sqrt{E}.$

Z-E Plane Bounds: Constant Forcing



Extended Norm: Random Forcing

• For a random variable α , with probability density function P, define the ensemble average

$$\langle \alpha \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha \left(\frac{dP}{d\zeta} \right) d\zeta.$$

• The extended inner product is

$$(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v})_{\tilde{\omega}} \doteq \int_{\Omega} \langle \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \ d\boldsymbol{x} = \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} \frac{dP}{d\zeta} d\zeta \right) d\boldsymbol{x},$$

with norm

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Dynamical Behaviour: Random Forcing

• Energy balance:

$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}|\boldsymbol{u}|^2 + \nu(A\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u}) + (\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u}),\boldsymbol{u}) = (\boldsymbol{f},\boldsymbol{u}) \doteq \epsilon,$$

where ϵ is the rate of energy injection.

• From the energy conservation identity $(\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u}),\boldsymbol{u}) = 0$,

$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}|\boldsymbol{u}|^2 + \nu||\boldsymbol{u}||^2 = \epsilon.$$

• The Poincaré inequality $||\boldsymbol{u}|| \geq |\boldsymbol{u}|$ leads to

$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}|\boldsymbol{u}|^2 \leq \epsilon - \nu|\boldsymbol{u}|^2,$$

which implies that $|\boldsymbol{u}(t)|^2 \leq e^{-2\nu t} |\boldsymbol{u}(0)|^2 + \left(\frac{1-e^{-2\nu t}}{\nu}\right) \epsilon.$

• So for every $\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathcal{A}$, we expect $|\boldsymbol{u}(t)|^2 \leq \epsilon/\nu$.

• From $|\boldsymbol{u}(t)| \leq \sqrt{\epsilon/\nu}$ we then obtain a lower bound for $|\boldsymbol{f}|$:

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u\epsilon} \leq rac{\epsilon}{|oldsymbol{u}|} = rac{(oldsymbol{f},oldsymbol{u})}{|oldsymbol{u}|} \leq rac{|oldsymbol{f}||oldsymbol{u}|}{|oldsymbol{u}|} = |oldsymbol{f}|.$$

• It is convenient to use this lower bound for $|\mathbf{f}|$ to define a lower bound for the Grashof number $G = |\mathbf{f}|/\nu^2$, which we use as the normalization \tilde{G} for random forcing:

$$\tilde{G} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\nu^3}}.$$

• We recently proved the following theorem (submitted to JDE): **Theorem 2 (?)** For all $\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathcal{A}$ with energy injection rate ϵ , $||\boldsymbol{u}||^2 \leq \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\nu}} |\boldsymbol{u}|.$

• This leads to the same form as for a constant force: $Z \leq \nu \tilde{G}\sqrt{E}$.

Z-E Plane Bounds: Random Forcing



DNS code

- We have released a highly optimized 2D pseudospectral code in C++: https://github.com/dealias/dns.
- It uses our FFTW++ library to implicitly dealias the advective convolution, while exploiting Hermitian symmetry ?, ?.
- Advanced computer memory management, such as implicit padding, memory alignment, and dynamic moment averaging allow **DNS** to attain its extreme performance.
- It uses the formulation proposed by ? to reduce the number of FFTs required for 2D (3D) incompressible turbulence to 4 (8).
- We also include simplified 2D (146 lines) and 3D (287 lines) versions called ProtoDNS for educational purposes: https://github.com/dealias/dns/tree/master/protodns.

Vorticity Field with Hypoviscosity





Energy Spectrum with Hypoviscosity



Bounds in the Z-E plane for random forcing.



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Energy Transfer with Hypoviscosity



Vorticity Field without Hypoviscosity





Energy Spectrum without Hypoviscosity



Bounds in the Z-E plane for random forcing.





Special Case: White-Noise Forcing

 \bullet The Fourier transform of an isotropic Gaussian white-noise solenoidal force ${\pmb f}$ has the form

$$\boldsymbol{f_k}(t) = F_{\boldsymbol{k}} \left(\boldsymbol{1} - \frac{\boldsymbol{kk}}{k^2} \right) \boldsymbol{\cdot} \boldsymbol{\xi_k}(t), \quad \boldsymbol{k} \boldsymbol{\cdot} \boldsymbol{f_k} = 0,$$

where $F_{\mathbf{k}}$ is a real number and $\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathbf{k}}(t)$ is a unit central real Gaussian random 2D vector that satisfies

$$\langle \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t)\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\boldsymbol{k}'}(t')\rangle = \delta_{\boldsymbol{k}\boldsymbol{k}'}\mathbf{1}\delta(t-t').$$

• This implies

$$\langle \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t) \cdot \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}'}(t') \rangle = F_{\boldsymbol{k}}^2 \delta_{\boldsymbol{k},\boldsymbol{k}'} \, \delta(t-t').$$

Special Case: White-Noise Forcing

 \bullet As in the constant forcing case, the rate of energy injection ϵ is given by

$$\epsilon = (\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x},t), \boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x},t)) = \int_{\Omega} \langle \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x},t) \cdot \boldsymbol{u}(\boldsymbol{x},t) \rangle \, d\boldsymbol{x} = \operatorname{Re} \sum_{\boldsymbol{k}} \langle \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t) \cdot \overline{\boldsymbol{u}}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t) \rangle$$

• Here $\boldsymbol{u}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t)$ is functional of the forcing:

$$\boldsymbol{u}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t) = \boldsymbol{u}_{\boldsymbol{k}'}(t') + \int_{t'}^{t} A_{\boldsymbol{k}}[\boldsymbol{u}(\tau)]d\tau + \int_{t'}^{t} \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(\tau)d\tau,$$

where A_{k} is a functional of \boldsymbol{u} such that $\frac{\delta A_{k}[\boldsymbol{u}(\tau)]}{\delta \boldsymbol{f}_{k'}(t')}$ is bounded.

• Nonlinear Green's function:

$$\frac{\delta \boldsymbol{u}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t)}{\delta \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}'}(t')} = \int_{t'}^{t} \frac{\delta A_{\boldsymbol{k}}[\boldsymbol{u}(\tau)]}{\delta \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}'}(t')} d\tau + \delta_{\boldsymbol{k}\boldsymbol{k}'} \mathbf{1} H(t-t'),$$

where H is the Heaviside unit step function.

• To prescribe the forcing amplitude F_k in terms of ϵ :

Theorem 3 (?) If $f(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is a Gaussian process, and u is a functional of f, then

$$\langle f(\boldsymbol{x},t)u(f)\rangle = \int \int \langle f(\boldsymbol{x},t)f(\boldsymbol{x}',t')\rangle \left\langle \frac{\delta u(\boldsymbol{x},t)}{\delta f(\boldsymbol{x}',t')} \right\rangle d\boldsymbol{x}' dt'.$$

• For white-noise forcing, we obtain

$$\begin{split} \epsilon &= \operatorname{Re}\sum_{\boldsymbol{k}} \left\langle \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t) \cdot \overline{\boldsymbol{u}}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t) \right\rangle = \operatorname{Re}\sum_{\boldsymbol{k},\boldsymbol{k}'} \int \left\langle \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t) \overline{\boldsymbol{f}}_{\boldsymbol{k}'}(t') \right\rangle : \left\langle \frac{\delta \overline{\boldsymbol{u}}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(t)}{\delta \overline{\boldsymbol{f}}_{\boldsymbol{k}'}(t')} \right\rangle dt' \\ &= \sum_{\boldsymbol{k}} F_{\boldsymbol{k}}^2 \left(\mathbf{1} - \frac{\boldsymbol{k}\boldsymbol{k}}{k^2} \right) : \left(\mathbf{1} - \frac{\boldsymbol{k}\boldsymbol{k}}{k^2} \right) H(0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\boldsymbol{k}} F_{\boldsymbol{k}}^2, \end{split}$$

on noting that H(0) = 1/2.

3D Basdevant Formulation: 8 FFTs

• Using incompressibility, the 3D momentum equation can be written in terms of the symmetric tensor $D_{ij} = u_i u_j$:

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial D_{ij}}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} + F_i.$$

- Naive implementation: 3 backward FFTs to compute the velocity components from their spectral representations, 6 forward FFTs of the independent components of D_{ij} .
- ?: avoid one FFT by subtracting the divergence of the symmetric matrix $S_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \operatorname{tr} D/3$ from both sides:

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (D_{ij} - S_{ij})}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{\partial (p\delta_{ij} + S_{ij})}{\partial x_j} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} + F_i.$$

• To compute the velocity components u_i , 3 backward FFTs are required. Since the symmetric matrix $D_{ij} - S_{ij}$ is traceless, it has just 5 independent components.

- Hence, a total of only 8 FFTs are required per integration stage.
- The effective pressure $p\delta_{ij} + S_{ij}$ is solved as usual from the inverse Laplacian of the force minus the nonlinearity.

2D Basdevant Formulation: 4 FFTs

• The vorticity $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \boldsymbol{u}$ evolves according to

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\omega}}{\partial t} + (\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \boldsymbol{\omega} = (\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \boldsymbol{u} + \nu \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{\omega} + \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \boldsymbol{F},$$

where in 2D the vortex stretching term $(\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla})\boldsymbol{u}$ vanishes and $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ is normal to the plane of motion.

• For C^2 velocity fields, the curl of the nonlinearity can be written in terms of $\widetilde{D}_{ij} \doteq D_{ij} - S_{ij}$:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\widetilde{D}_{2j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\widetilde{D}_{1j} = \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2}\right)D_{12} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}(D_{22} - D_{11}),$$

on recalling that S is diagonal and $S_{11} = S_{22}$.

• The scalar vorticity ω thus evolves as

$$\frac{\partial\omega}{\partial t} + \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2}\right)(u_1u_2) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1\partial x_2}\left(u_2^2 - u_1^2\right) = \nu\nabla^2\omega + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_1} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_2}$$

- To compute u_1 and u_2 in physical space, we need 2 backward FFTs.
- The quantities u_1u_2 and $u_2^2 u_1^2$ can then be calculated and then transformed to Fourier space with 2 additional forward FFTs.
- The advective term in 2D can thus be calculated with just 4 FFTs.

Discrete Cyclic Convolution

• The FFT provides an efficient tool for computing the *discrete cyclic convolution*

$$\sum_{p=0}^{N-1} F_p G_{k-p},$$

where the vectors F and G have period N.

• The backward 1D discrete Fourier transform of a complex vector $\{F_k : k = 0, \dots, N-1\}$ is defined as

$$f_j \doteq \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \zeta_N^{jk} F_k, \qquad j = 0, \dots, N-1,$$

where $\zeta_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$ denotes the *N*th primitive root of unity.

• The fast Fourier transform (FFT) method exploits the properties that $\zeta_N^r = \zeta_{N/r}$ and $\zeta_N^N = 1$.

Convolution Theorem

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} f_j g_j \zeta_N^{-jk} = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \zeta_N^{-jk} \left(\sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \zeta_N^{jp} F_p \right) \left(\sum_{q=0}^{N-1} \zeta_N^{jq} G_q \right)$$
$$= \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} F_p G_q \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \zeta_N^{(-k+p+q)j}$$
$$= N \sum_s \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} F_p G_{k-p+sN}.$$

- The terms indexed by $s \neq 0$ are *aliases;* we need to remove them!
- If only the first m entries of the input vectors are nonzero, aliases can be avoided by *zero padding* input data vectors of length mto length $N \ge 2m - 1$.
- *Explicit zero padding* prevents mode m 1 from beating with itself, wrapping around to contaminate mode $N = 0 \mod N$.

Implicit Dealiasing

• Let N = 2m. For $j = 0, \ldots, 2m - 1$ we want to compute

$$f_j = \sum_{k=0}^{2m-1} \zeta_{2m}^{jk} F_k.$$

• If $F_k = 0$ for $k \ge m$, one can easily avoid looping over the unwanted zero Fourier modes by decimating in wavenumber:

$$f_{2\ell} = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \zeta_{2m}^{2\ell k} F_k = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \zeta_m^{\ell k} F_k,$$

$$f_{2\ell+1} = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \zeta_{2m}^{(2\ell+1)k} F_k = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \zeta_m^{\ell k} \zeta_{2m}^k F_k, \qquad \ell = 0, 1, \dots m-1.$$

• This requires computing two subtransforms, each of size m, for an overall computational scaling of order $2m \log_2 m = N \log_2 m$.

http://fftwpp.sourceforge.net/

${F_k}_{k=0}^{m-1}$

 $\{G_k\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$

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Conclusions

- The upper bound in the Z-E plane obtained for constant forcing also works for the white-noise forcing.
- Adding hypoviscosity to the Navier–Stokes equation has a dramatic effect on the turbulent dynamics: it restricts the global attractor to the region characterized by the forcing annulus.
- With these tools, it should now be possible to study the relation between white-noise and constant forcings by examining their effects on the global attractor.
- This may lead to an explicit relation for the energy and enstrophy injection rates for constant forcing.
- Analytical bounds for random forcing provide a means to evaluate various heuristic turbulent subgrid (and supergrid!) models by characterizing the behaviour of the global attractor under these models.