



Scale-Adaptive Simulation für Technische Strömungen

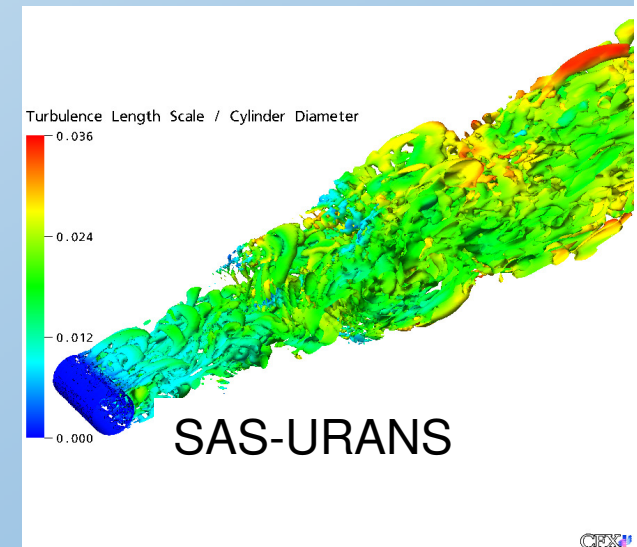
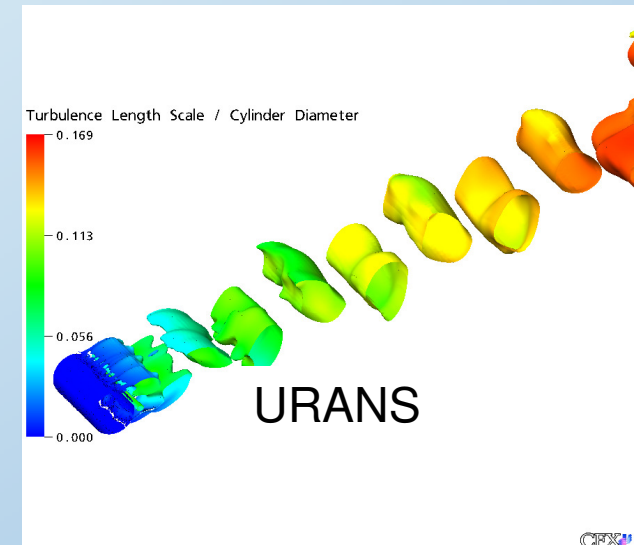
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Historic Order of Unsteady Models



- **URANS**
 - URANS gives unphysical single mode unsteady behavior
- **LES (Large Eddy Simulation)**
 - Too expensive for most industrial flows due to high resolution requirements in boundary layers
- **DES (Detached Eddy Simulation)**
 - First industrial-strength model for high-Re with LES-content
 - Increased complexity (grid sensitivity) due to explicit mix of modelling concepts
- **SAS (Scale-Adaptive Simulation)**
 - Extends URANS to many technical flows
 - Provides “LES”-content in unsteady regions.



Two-Equation Model Scales



$$\frac{\partial(\rho k)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho U_j k)}{\partial x_j} = \mu_t (S^2 - c_\mu \omega^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_k} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial(\rho \omega)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho U_j \omega)}{\partial x_j} = \rho (c_{\omega 1} S^2 - c_{\omega 2} \omega^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_\omega} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

One input scale – two output scales?



Contradiction?

Determination of L in k - ω Model



k-equation:

$$\frac{\partial(k)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(U_k k)}{\partial x_k} = \frac{k}{\omega} (S^2 - c_\mu \omega^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{k}{\omega} \frac{\partial k}{\partial y} \right]$$

- Diffusion term carries information on shear-layer thickness δ
- Finite thickness layer required
- No scale-resolution inside layer – independent of level of S in shear layer

$$0 = \cancel{\frac{k}{\omega}} (S^2 - c_\mu \omega^2) + c \frac{1}{\delta} \left[\cancel{\frac{k}{\omega}} \frac{k}{\delta} \right]$$

$$\omega \sim S \quad \text{from } \omega\text{-equation}$$

$$L_t \sim \frac{\sqrt{k}}{\omega} \sim \frac{\sqrt{S^2 \delta^2}}{S} \sim \delta$$

Definition of URANS Model?

Transport Equation Integral Length-Scale (Rotta)



- Exact** transport equations for $\Phi=kL$ (shear layer): $kL(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{ii}(x,t,r)dr$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(\Phi)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(U_k \Phi)}{\partial x_k} = & -\frac{3}{16} \frac{\partial U(x)}{\partial y} \int R_{21} dr_y - \frac{3}{16} \int \frac{\partial U(x+r_y)}{\partial y} R_{12} dr_y + \\ & \frac{3}{16} \int \frac{\partial}{\partial r_k} (R_{(ik)i} - R_{i(ik)}) dr_y + \nu \frac{3}{8} \int \frac{\partial^2 R_{ii}}{\partial r_k \partial r_k} dr_y - \\ & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left\{ \frac{3}{16} \int \left[R_{(i2)i} + \frac{1}{\rho} (\overline{p'v} + \overline{vp'}) \right] - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\Phi) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- Important term:**

$$\frac{3}{16} \int \frac{\partial U(x+r_y)}{\partial y} R_{12} dr_y$$

Expansion of Gradient Function



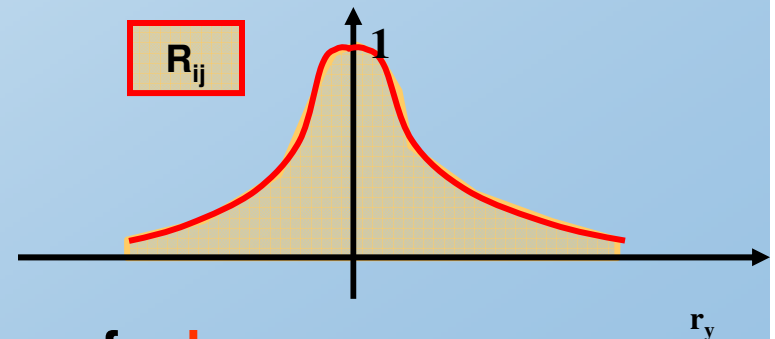
- Important term:

$$\frac{\partial U(x + r_y)}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial U(x)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 U(x)}{\partial y^2} r_y + \frac{\partial^3 U(x)}{\partial y^3} \frac{r_y^2}{2} + \dots$$

$$\int \frac{\partial U(x + r_y)}{\partial y} R_{12} dr_y \rightarrow \frac{\partial U(x)}{\partial y} \int R_{12} dr_y + \frac{\partial^2 U(x)}{\partial y^2} \int r_y R_{12} dr_y + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^3 U(x)}{\partial y^3} \int r_y^2 R_{12} dr_y$$

- Rotta:

$$\frac{\partial^2 U(x)}{\partial y^2} \int r_y R_{12} dr_y = 0$$



- Due to symmetry of R_{12} with respect to r_y for **homogeneous** turbulence

Transport Equation Integral Length-Scale (Rotta)



- Transport equations for kL :

$$\frac{\partial(\rho\Phi)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho U_k \Phi)}{\partial x_k} = -\overline{\rho uv} \left(\zeta L \frac{\partial U_i(x)}{\partial y} + \zeta_3 L^3 \frac{\partial^3 U_i(x)}{\partial y^3} \right) - c_L c \rho \left(\frac{q^2}{2} \right)^{3/2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left\{ \frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_\Phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\Phi) \right\}$$

- Equation has a natural length scale:

$$L^2 = \frac{c_l - c}{\zeta_3} \left| \frac{\partial U / \partial y}{\partial^3 U / \partial y^3} \right|$$

- Problem – 3rd derivative:

- Non-intuitive
- Numerically problematic

$$\longrightarrow \zeta_3 = 0 \longrightarrow$$

- If $\zeta_3=0$ - No natural length scale

- No fundamental difference to other scale-equations

Virtual Experiment 1D Flow

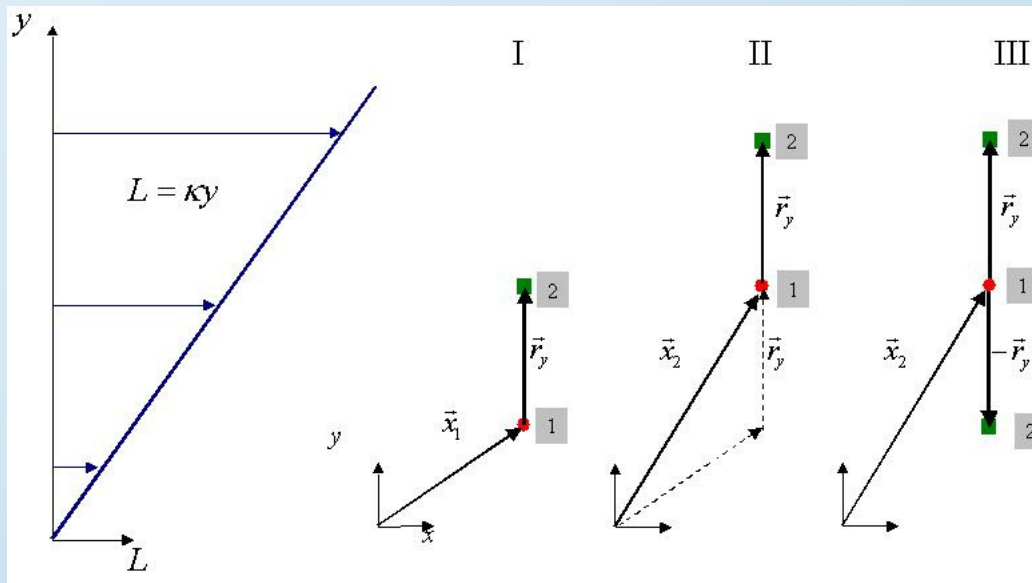


Logarithmic layer $L_t = \kappa y$

$$\int r_y R_{12} dr_y = 0 \quad ?$$

$$\tilde{R}_{12} = \frac{\overline{u(x)v(x+r_y)}}{\overline{u(x)v(x)}}$$

$$\overline{u(x)v(x)} = \text{const.} = \frac{\tau_w}{\rho}$$



$$\tilde{R}_{12}^I(\vec{r}_y) < \tilde{R}_{12}^{II}(\vec{r}_y)$$

$$\tilde{R}_{12}^{III}(\vec{r}_y) = \tilde{R}_{12}^{II}(\vec{r}_y) \quad \tilde{R}_{12}^{III}(\vec{r}_y) \approx \tilde{R}_{12}^I(-\vec{r}_y)$$

$$\tilde{R}_{12}^{III}(-\vec{r}_y) < \tilde{R}_{12}^{III}(\vec{r}_y)$$



R_{12} asymmetric

$$\frac{\partial^2 U(x)}{\partial y^2} \int r_y R_{12} dr_y \neq 0$$

New Transport Equation



- New transport equation for $\Phi = \sqrt{k} L$

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x_j} = \zeta_1 \frac{\Phi}{k} P_k - \hat{\zeta}_2 \nu_t S |U''| \frac{\Phi^2}{k^{3/2}} - \zeta_3 \cdot k + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_\Phi} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial y} \right]$$

$$|U''| = \sqrt{\frac{\partial^2 U_i}{\partial x_j \partial x_j} \frac{\partial^2 U_i}{\partial x_k \partial x_k}}; \quad P_k = \nu_t S^2$$

v. Karman length-scale as natural length-scale:

$$L \sim \kappa \left| \frac{S}{U''} \right| = L_{vK}$$

Limitation of Growth by U''

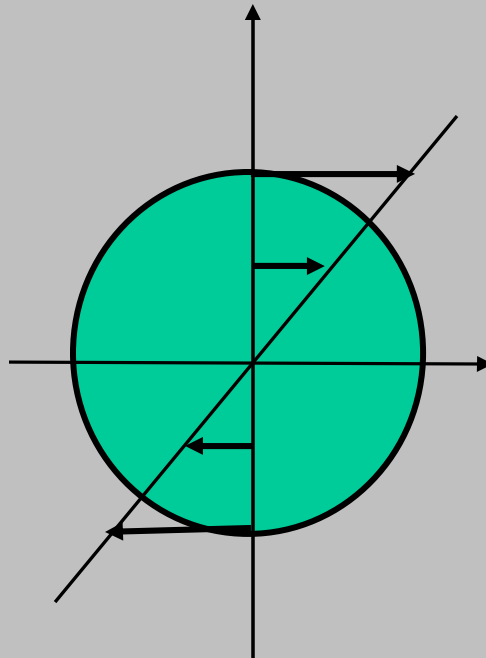


Homogenous Shear

$$\frac{dU}{dy} = \text{const.}$$

$$\omega \sim \frac{dU}{dy}$$

$$L \rightarrow \infty$$



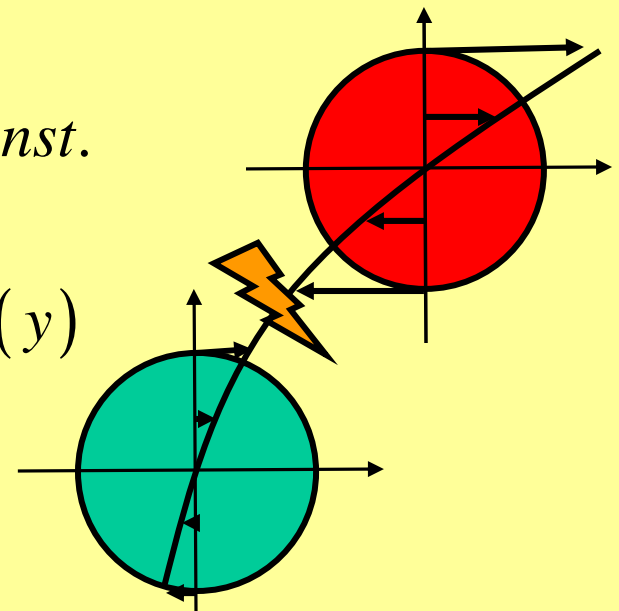
Eddies grow to infinity

Inhomogeneous Shear

$$\frac{dU}{dy} \neq \text{const.}$$

$$\omega \sim \frac{dU}{dy}(y)$$

$$L \rightarrow L_{vK}$$



Eddy growth limited by L_{vK} .

Resolution of Scales



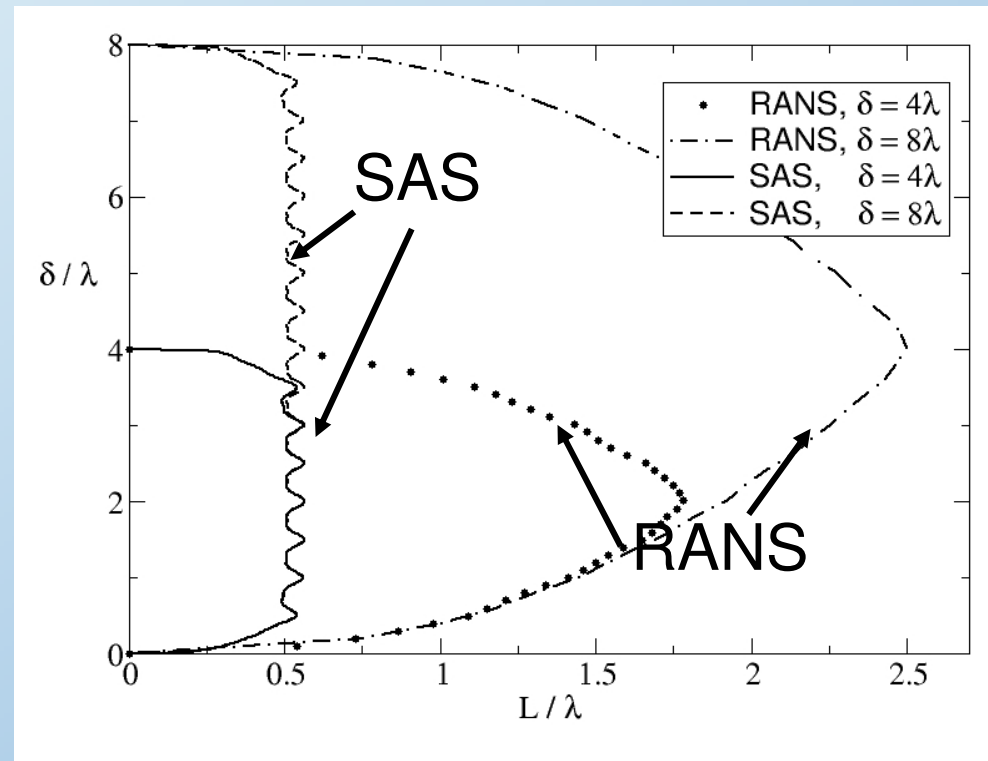
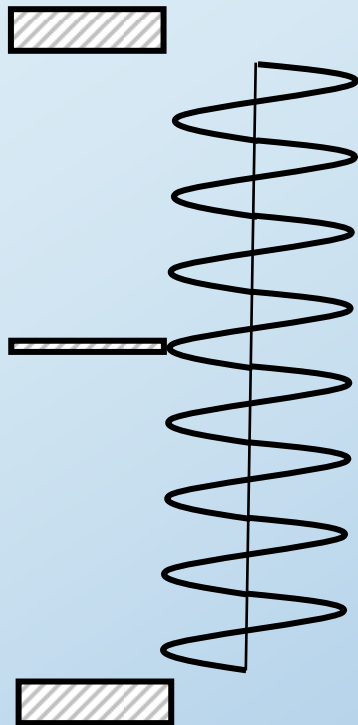
$$U(y) = U_0 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi \cdot y}{\lambda}\right)$$

natural scale

RANS Model $L \sim \delta$

SAS

$L \sim \lambda$



Transformation of SAS Terms to SST Model



- Transformation:

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{c_\mu^{1/4}} \frac{k}{\omega}$$

$$\frac{D\omega}{Dt} = \frac{1}{c_\mu^{1/4}} \frac{D}{Dt} \left(\frac{k}{\Phi} \right) = \frac{1}{c_\mu^{1/4}} \left(\frac{1}{\Phi} \frac{Dk}{Dt} - \frac{k}{\Phi^2} \frac{D\Phi}{Dt} \right) = \frac{\omega}{k} \frac{Dk}{Dt} - \frac{\omega}{\Phi} \frac{D\Phi}{Dt}$$



$$\frac{\partial \rho \omega}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial U_j \rho \omega}{\partial x_j} = \alpha \rho S^2 - \beta \rho \omega^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_\omega} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \right) + \frac{2\rho}{\sigma_\Phi} \left(\frac{1}{\omega} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} - \frac{k}{\omega^2} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \right) + \tilde{\zeta}_2 \kappa \rho S^2 \frac{L}{L_{vK}}$$

Wilcox Model

BSL (SST) Model

New

SST-SAS Term



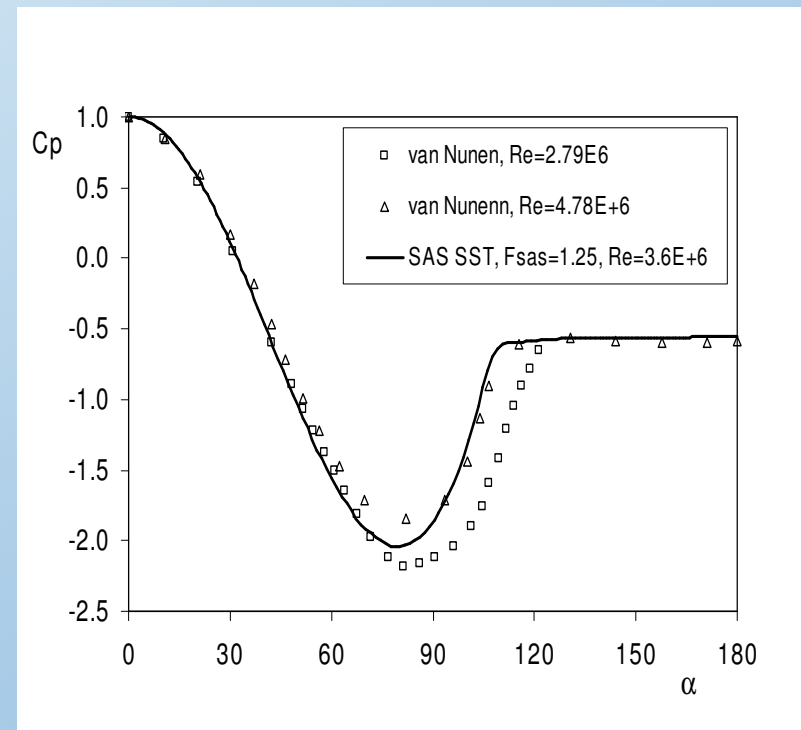
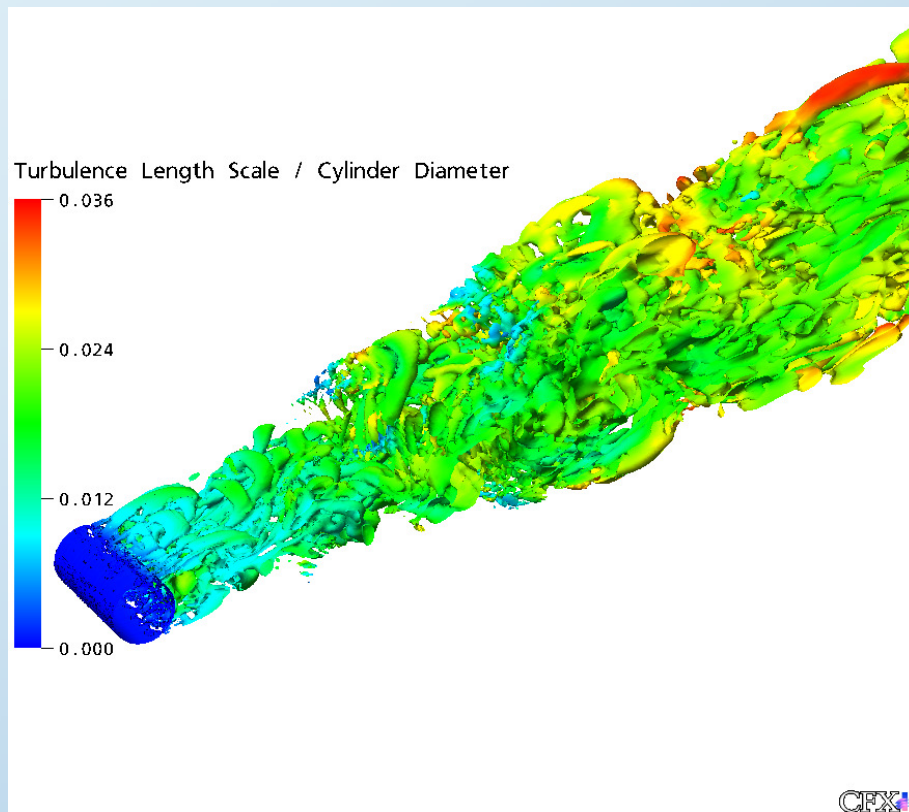
$$F_{SST-SAS} = \rho \cdot F_{SAS} \max \left[\tilde{\zeta}_2 \kappa S^2 \frac{L}{L_{vK}} - \frac{2}{\sigma_\Phi} k \cdot \max \left(\frac{1}{\omega^2} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j}, \frac{1}{k^2} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right), 0 \right]$$

Cylinder in Cross Flow



- $Re=3.6 \times 10^6$
- 3.25×10^6 nodes
- $C_{SAS}=0.54$
- Turbulent boundary layer - RANS
- Detached region – “LES”-like

Isosurface of $S^2-\Omega^2$. Colour: L / D



1. Provide proper solution in the RANS region
2. Initialise large scale instabilities, sustain energy cascade in unsteady regions
3. Provide sufficient energy dissipation of small scales

Hierarchical – Priority 1-3

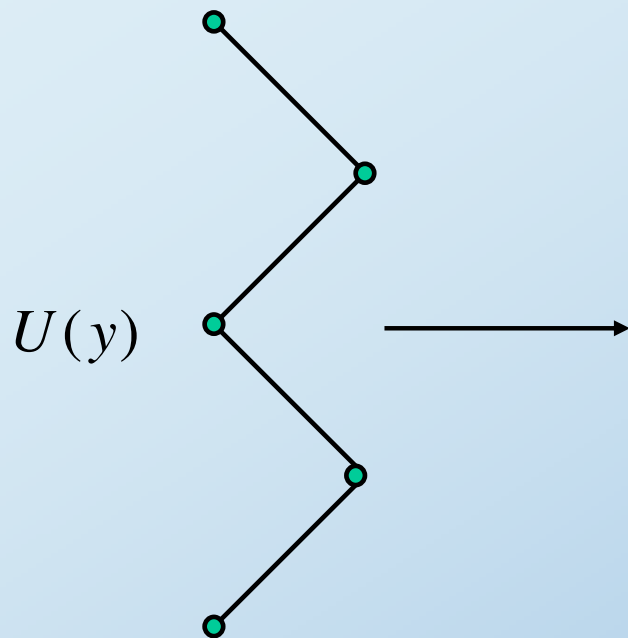
SAS: Point 3 must be based on information on grid size or the numerical method

DES: Point 2 and Point 3 are based on grid information

SAS Numerical Requirements



Equilibrium “LES” value of μ_t :
$$\mu_t = \left[\frac{1}{C \cdot \kappa} \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta^*} - \alpha \right) \right]^2 \cdot \rho L_{vK}^2 S$$



$$L_{vK} = \kappa \left| \frac{S}{U''} \right|$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{U_{i+1} - U_i}{\Delta} + \frac{U_i - U_{i-1}}{\Delta} \right] = 0 \rightarrow L_{vK} = 0$$

$$\bar{S} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left| \frac{U_{i+1} - U_i}{\Delta} \right| + \left| \frac{U_i - U_{i-1}}{\Delta} \right| \right] \neq 0 \rightarrow L_{vK} = \frac{\Delta}{2}$$

Numerics dependent – $L_{vK}=0$ – contradiction as resolved scales cannot be smaller than grid spacing

CFX-5 Discretisation – element gradients

- Production P_k :

$$S^2 = \overline{S^2}$$

- SAS-source:

$$\tilde{\zeta}_2 K \overline{S^2} \frac{L}{L_{vK}}, \quad L_{vK} = \frac{\overline{S}}{|U''|}$$

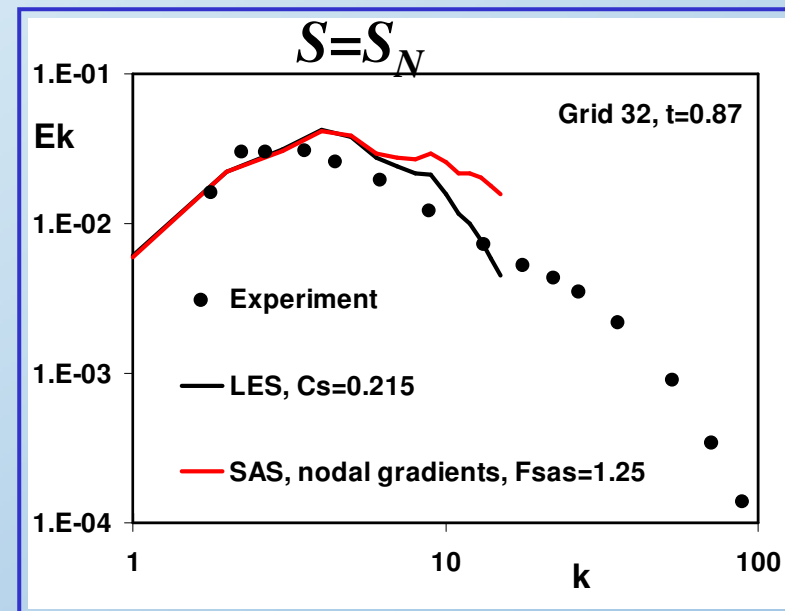
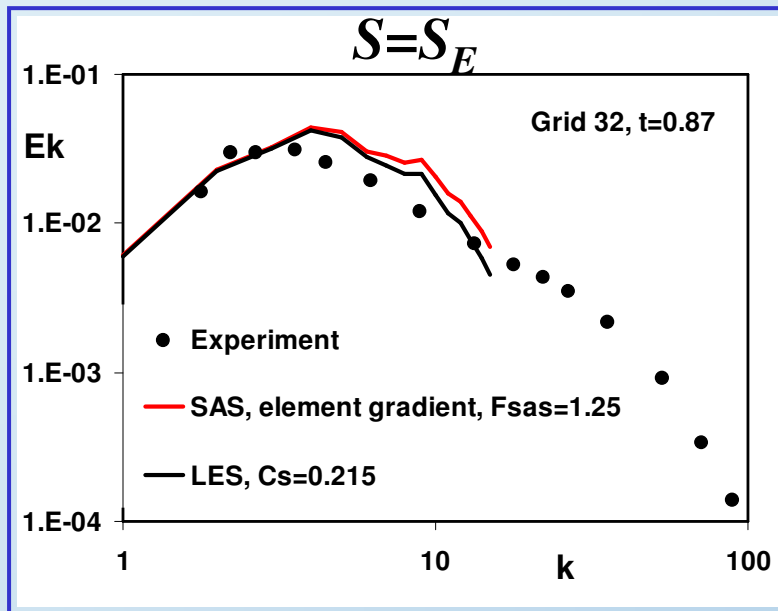
- “Central difference” gradients for S_{CDS} in P_k and L_{vK} gives much lower damping for unresolved scales as

$$S_{CDS} < \overline{S}$$

DHIT tests with CFX-5:



- Comparison of nodal (central) and element based discretisation of source terms.



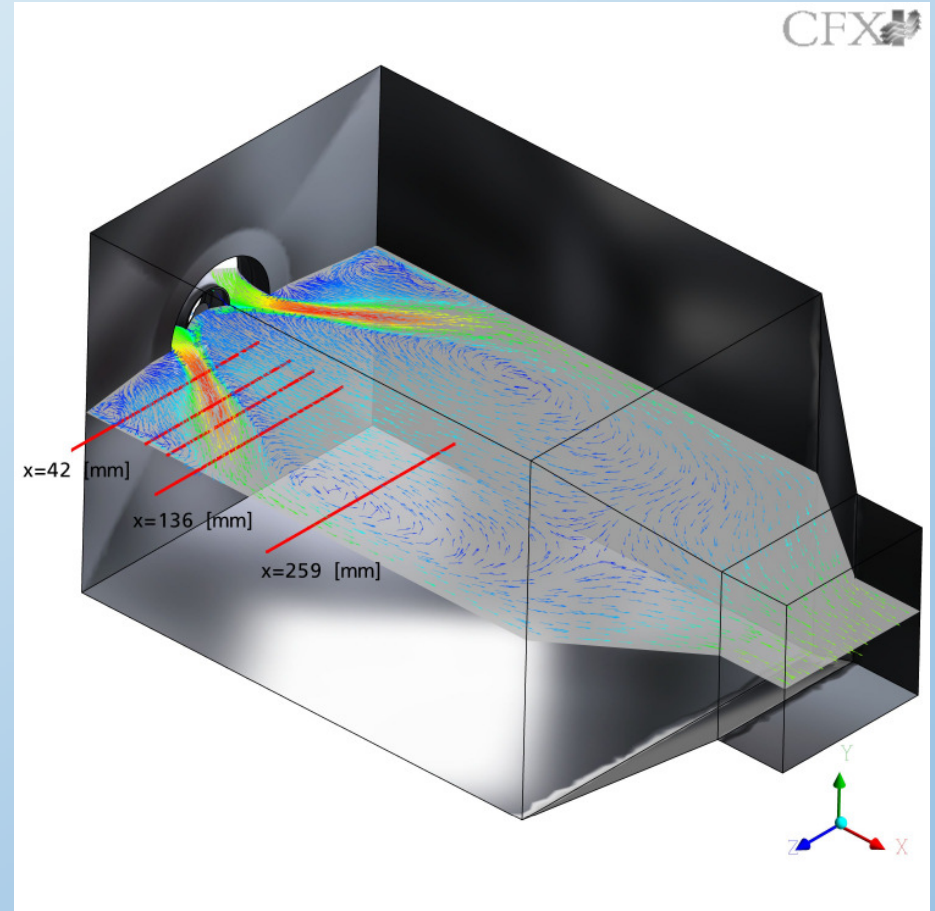
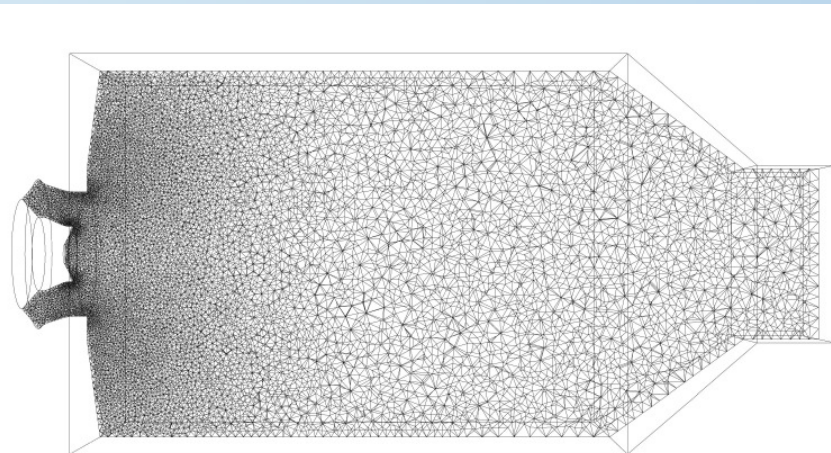
- Alternative is explicit grid information (does not influence RANS solution under grid refinement):

$$\tilde{L}_{vK} = \max(L_{vK}, c\Delta)$$

Gas Combustor (Swirl)



- **Single burner configuration:**
 - Swirl burner of an industrial gas turbine
 - Lean premixed main inlet (methane/air, preheated)
 - Axial dilution air (preheated)
 - Atmospheric pressure
- **Experimental data:**
 - Schildmacher *et al.* [6], [7]
- **600,000 control volumes (3.6x10⁶ elements)**



Partially Premixed Combustion Model



- **Reaction progress variable:**
 - Turbulent flamespeed closure [5]
 - Revert to laminar flamespeed for fully resolved limit

$$\frac{\partial(\bar{\rho}\tilde{c})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\bar{\rho}\tilde{u}_j\tilde{c})}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\left(\bar{\rho}D + \frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_c} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial \tilde{c}}{\partial x_j} \right] + \rho_u s_T |\text{grad} \tilde{c}|$$

$$s_T = G \max \left(Au'^{3/4} s_L^{1/2} \lambda_u^{-1/4} l_t^{1/4}, s_L \right)$$

- **Mixture composition:**
 - Blend of fresh and burnt compositions
 - Flamelet model with presumed PDF for burnt fraction

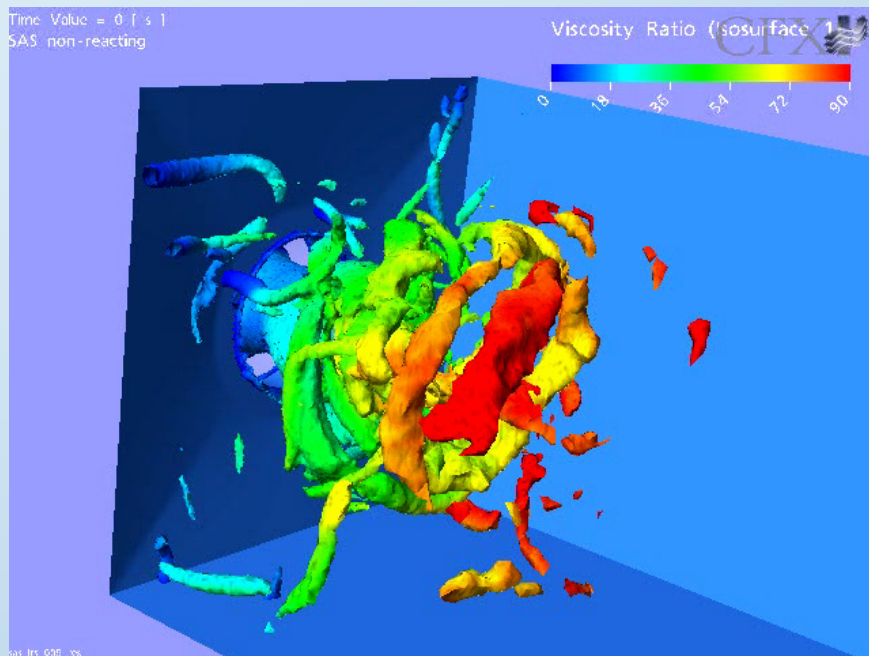
$$\tilde{Y}_\alpha = (1 - \tilde{c}) \cdot \tilde{Y}_{\alpha, \text{fresh}}(\tilde{Z}) + \tilde{c} \cdot \tilde{Y}_{\alpha, \text{flamelet}} \left(\tilde{Z}, \tilde{Z}''^2, \bar{\chi} \right)$$

Turbulent Structures



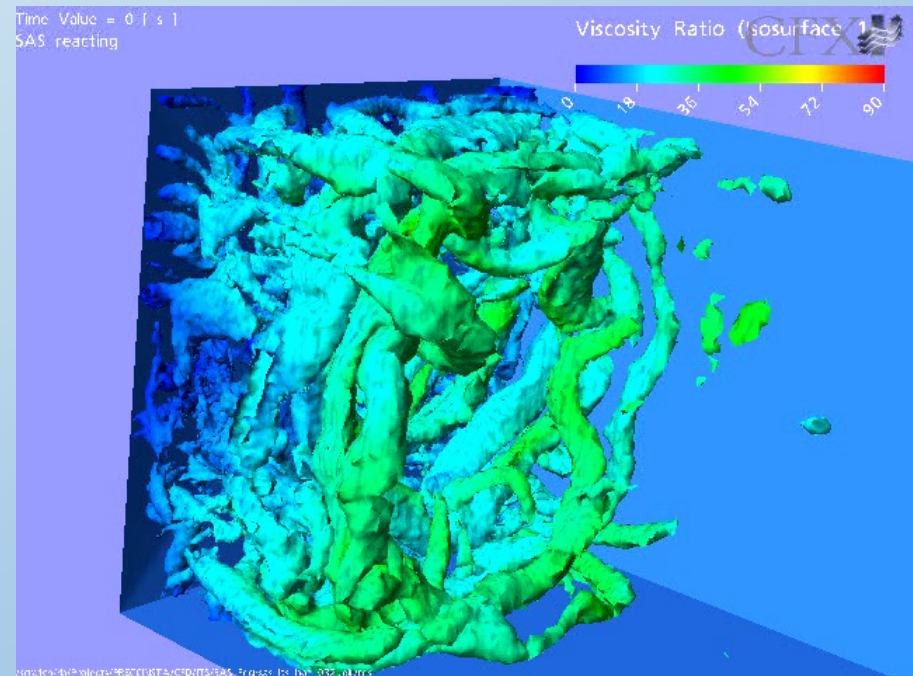
- **Non-reacting**

- Large characteristic structures near vortex core
- Higher eddy viscosity to viscosity ratios



- **Reacting**

- Turbulent structures more broadly distributed
- Lower maximum eddy viscosity

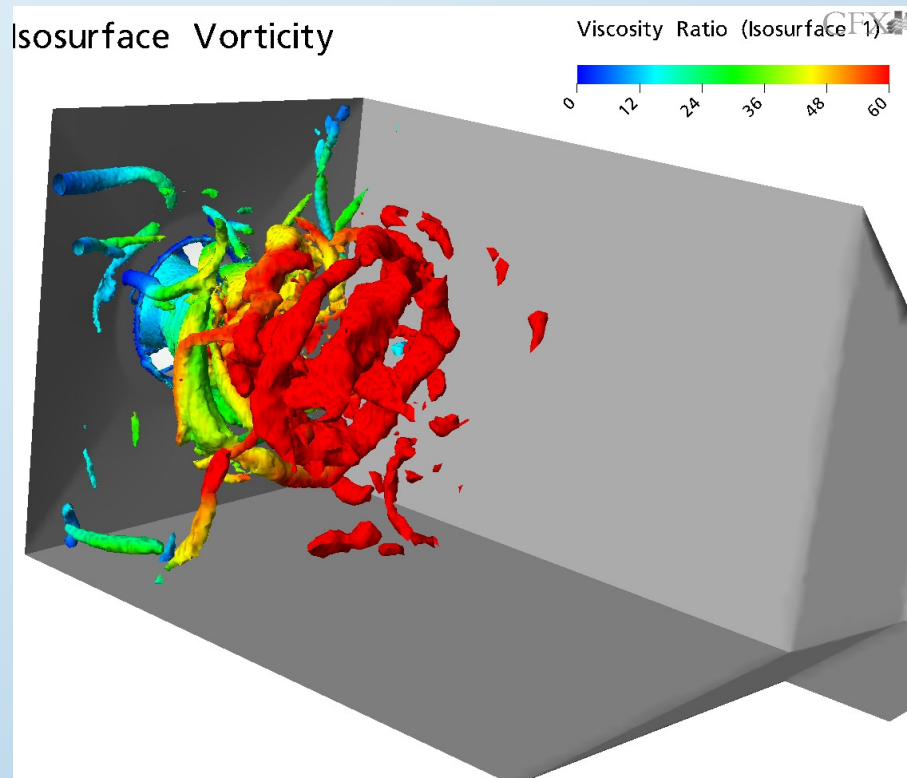


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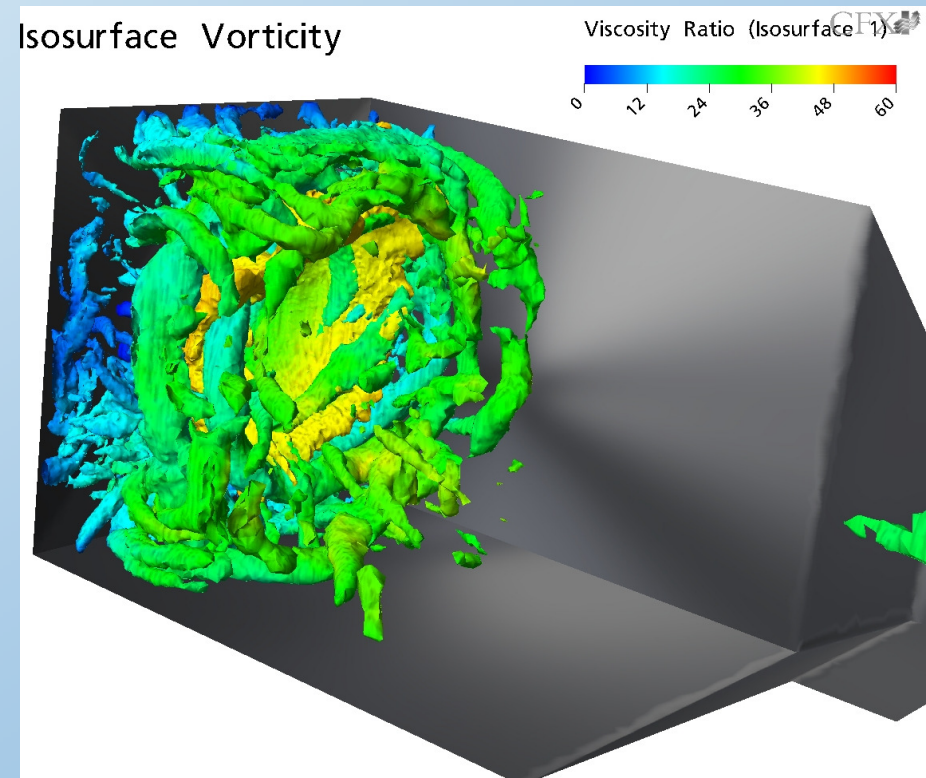
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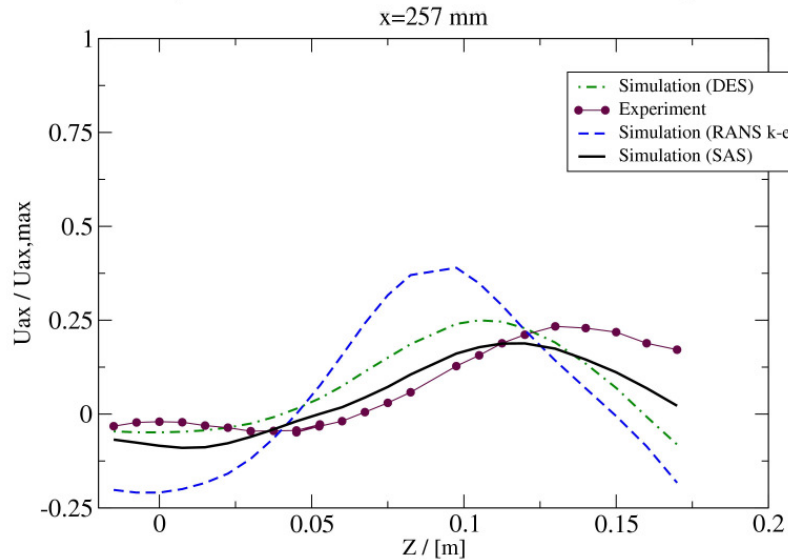
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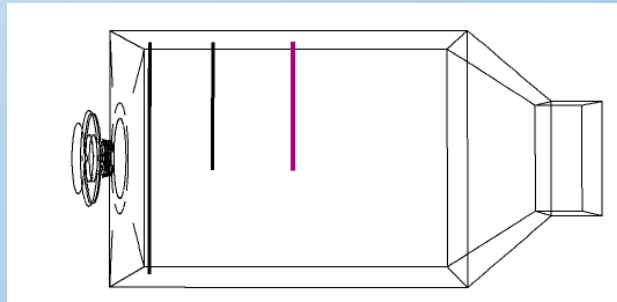
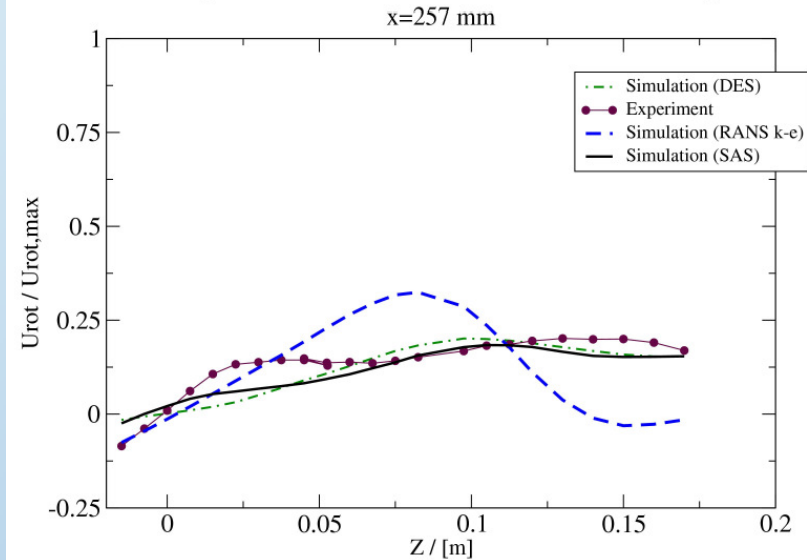
Flow Field: Non-Reacting Flow



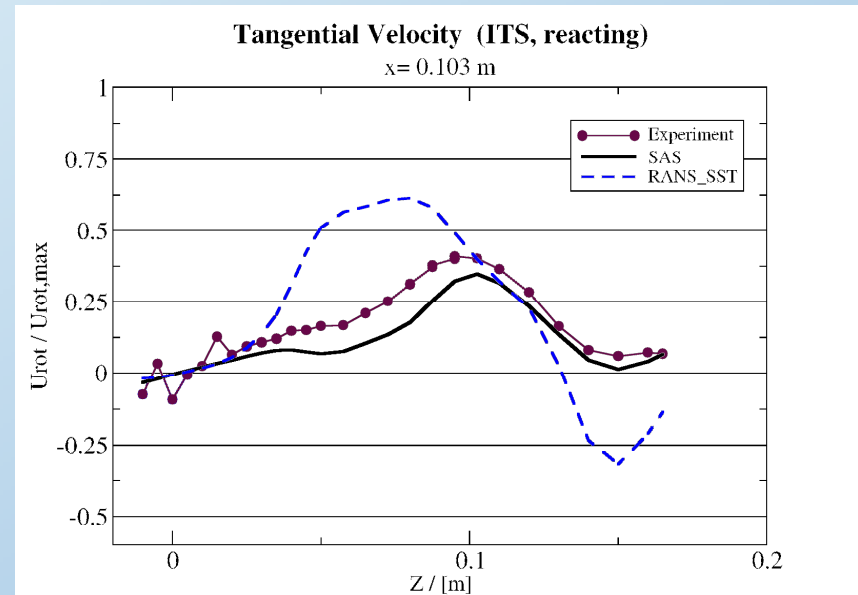
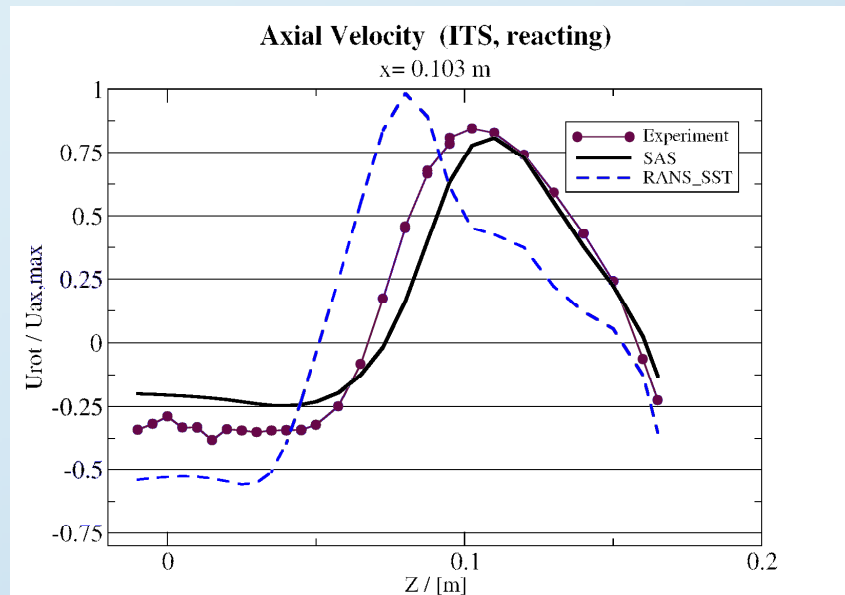
Axial velocity - ITS combustion chamber - non-reacting Flow - DES



Circum. velocity - ITS combustion chamber - non-reacting Flow - DES



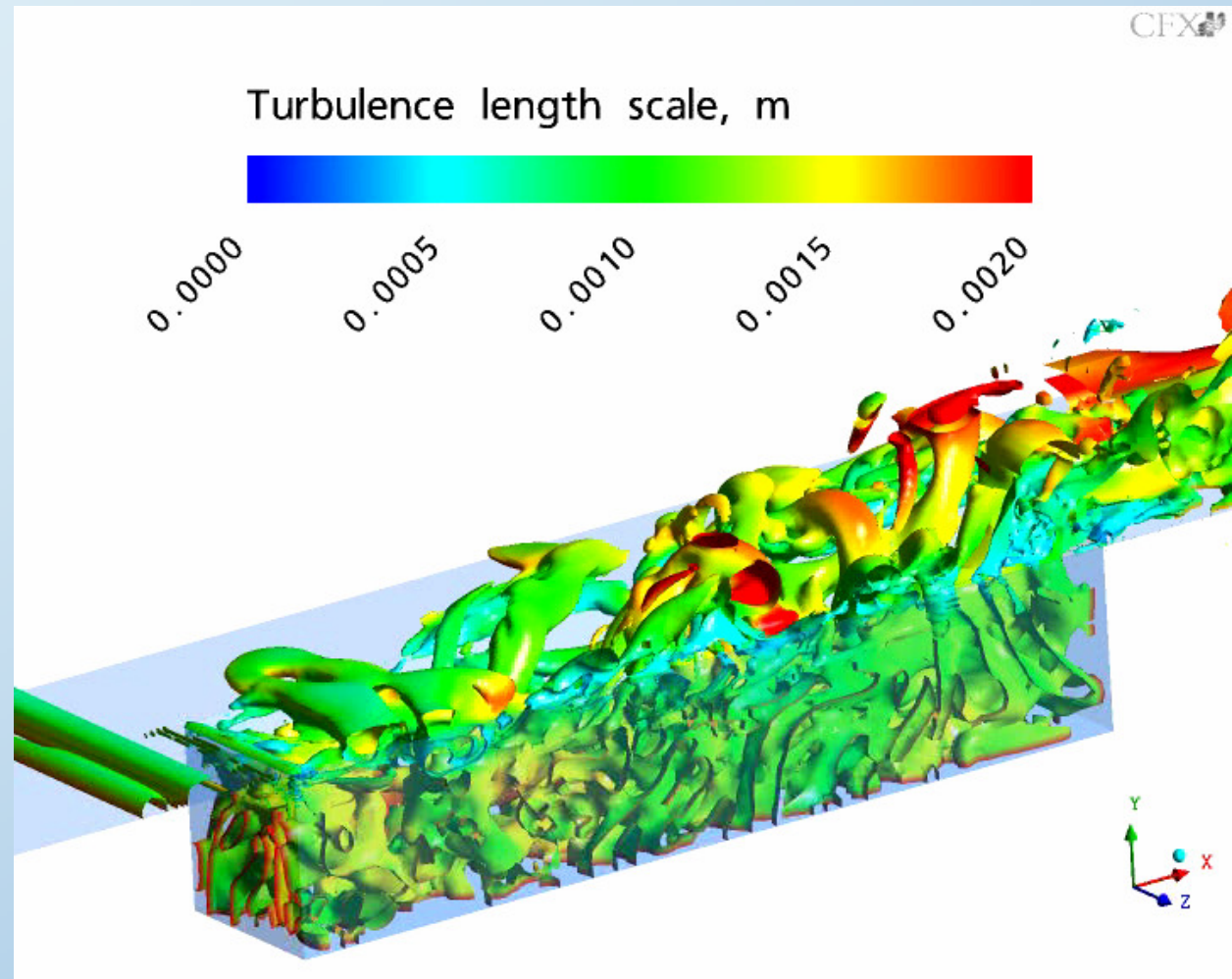
Flow Field: Reacting Flow



Model validation: Cavity

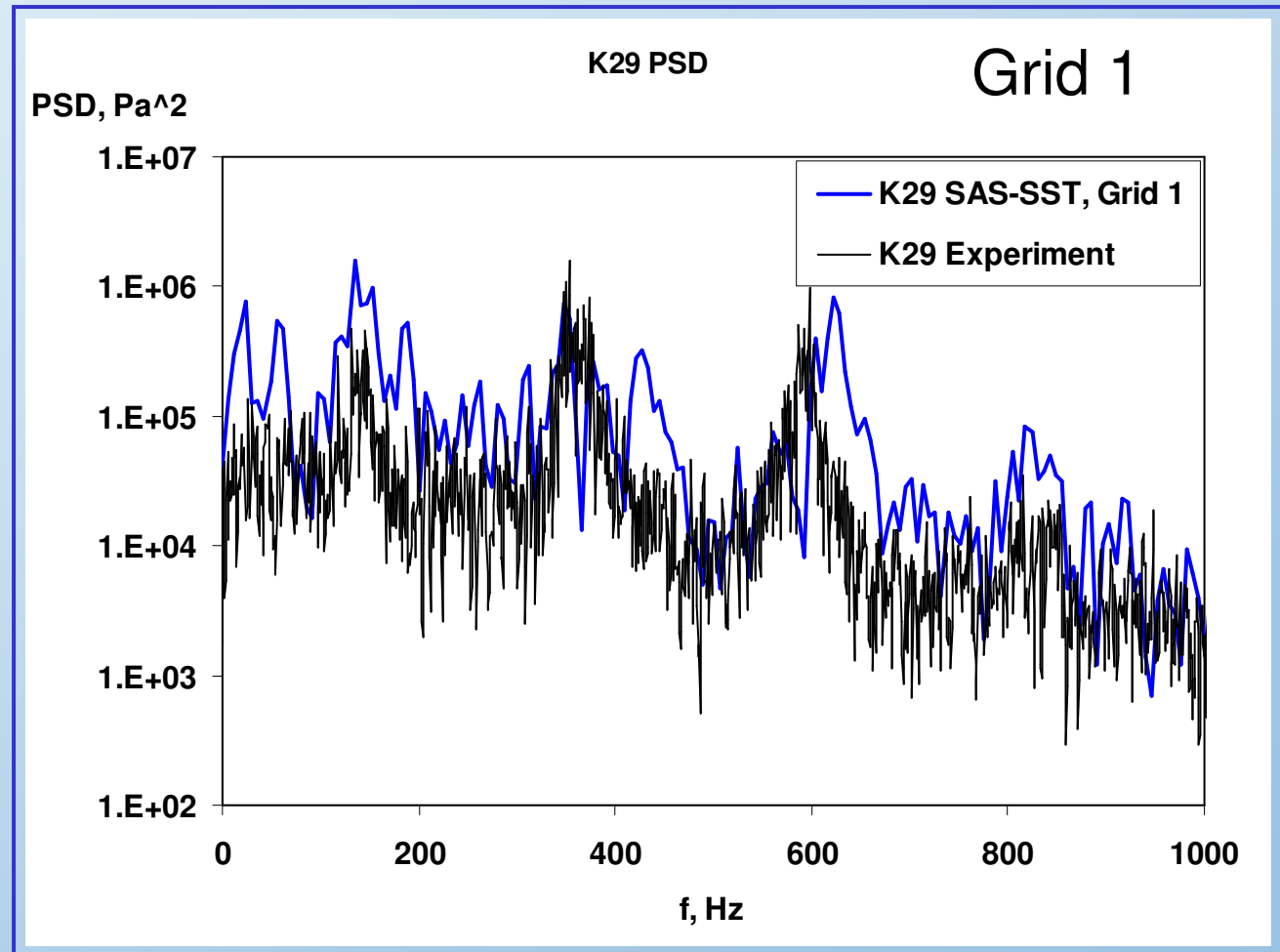


- Henshaw (2000)
M219 case ($L \times W \times D = 5 \times 1 \times 1$)
- Isosurface
 $\Omega^2 - S^2 = 10^5 \text{ s}^{-2}$
- Pressure at K29 probe
- ~1 million nodes



Power spectral density at K29, acoustic range

- 2 times less CFD sampling points, than in the experiment
- Currently is running on grid 2

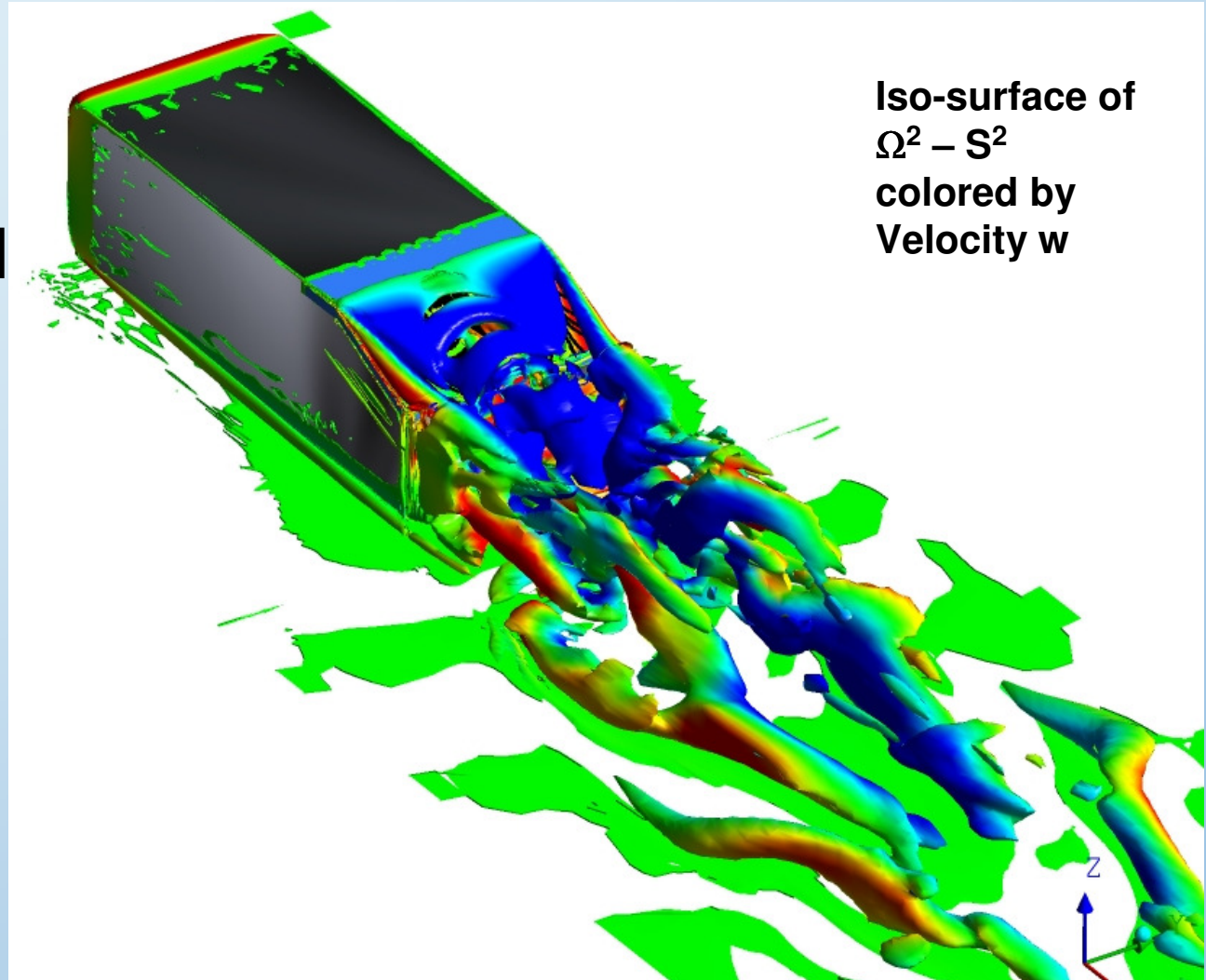


SAS for Ahmed Car, 25° deg slant angle:

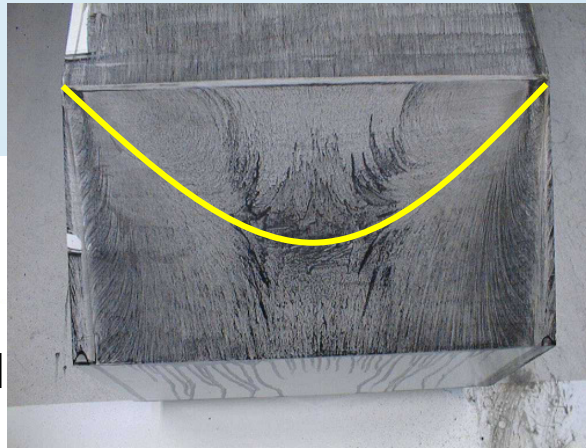


Structured grid
with local
refinement

$\sim 2 \times 10^6$ nodes



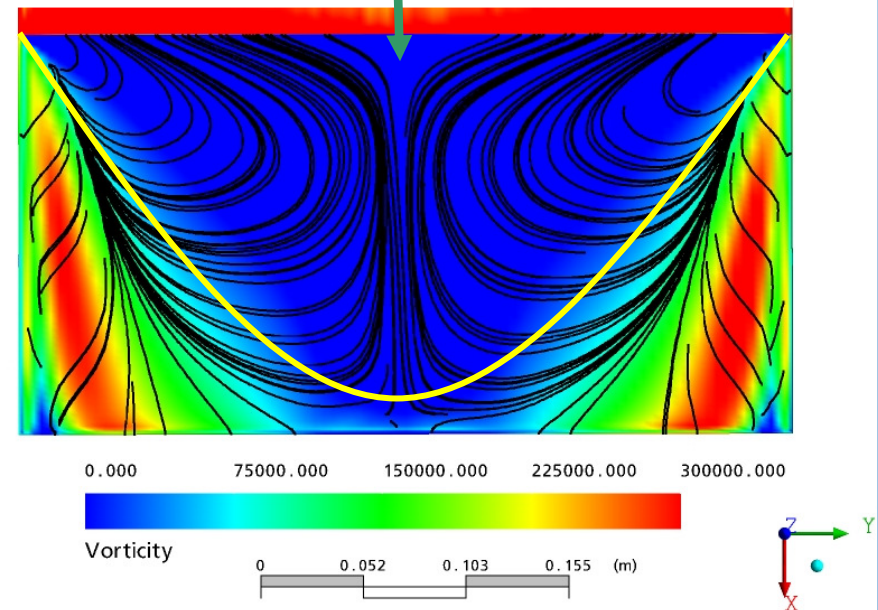
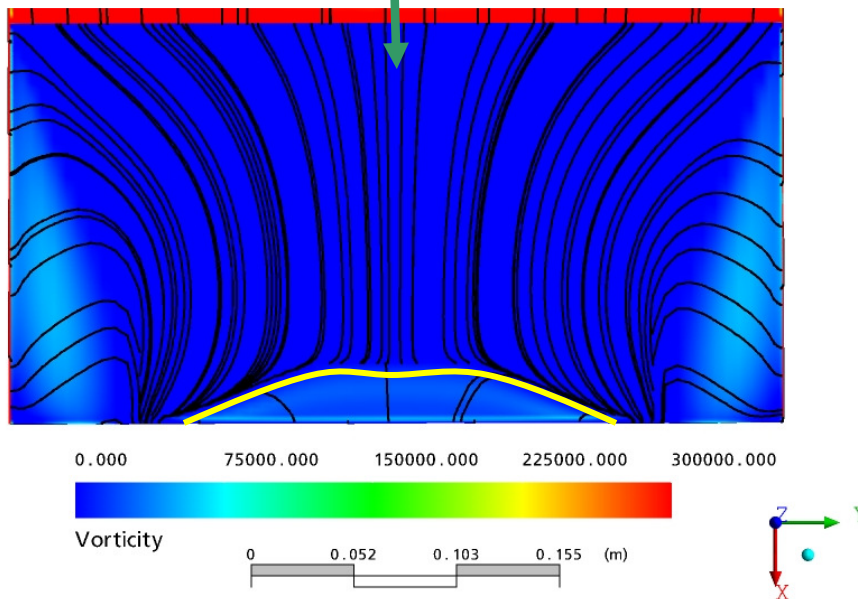
Ahmed Car, 25° deg slant angle: Surface Streamlines and Vorticity



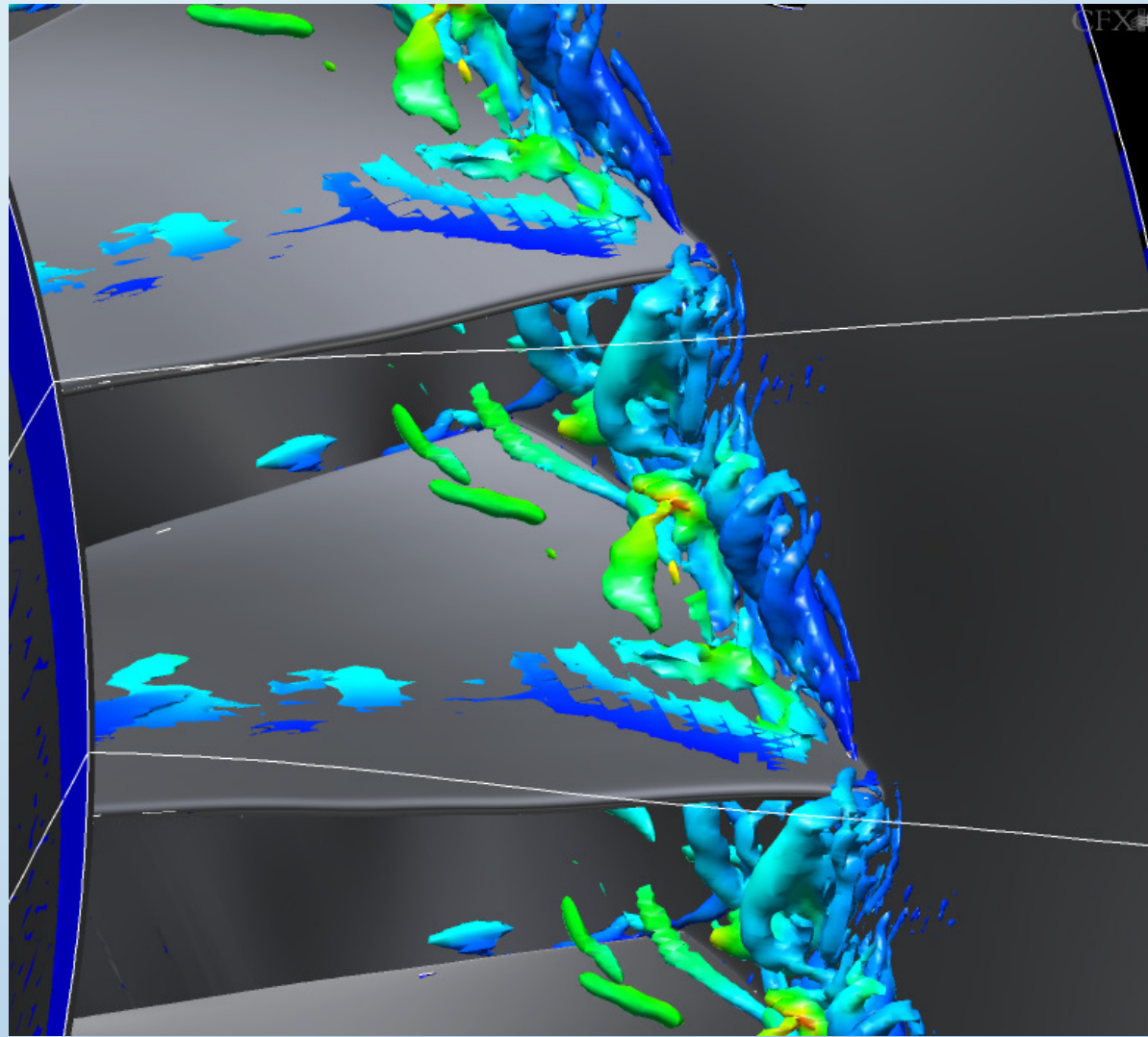
CFX

SST, Lift Force = 9.02 N

SAS, Lift Force = 20.77 N



Rotor 35: Turbulent Structures in the tip vortex predicted by SAS



Conclusions



- Standard two-equation models provide single scale through source terms; Length scale proportional to shear layer thickness
- Investigation of exact scale-equation shows that second derivative of velocity field enters into the equation system
- Current knowledge with new model demonstrates proper numerical behavior and numerical results for RANS and SAS mode
- SAS-URANS can do many flows previously only accessible to DES or LES
- Opens question concerning proper definition of URANS