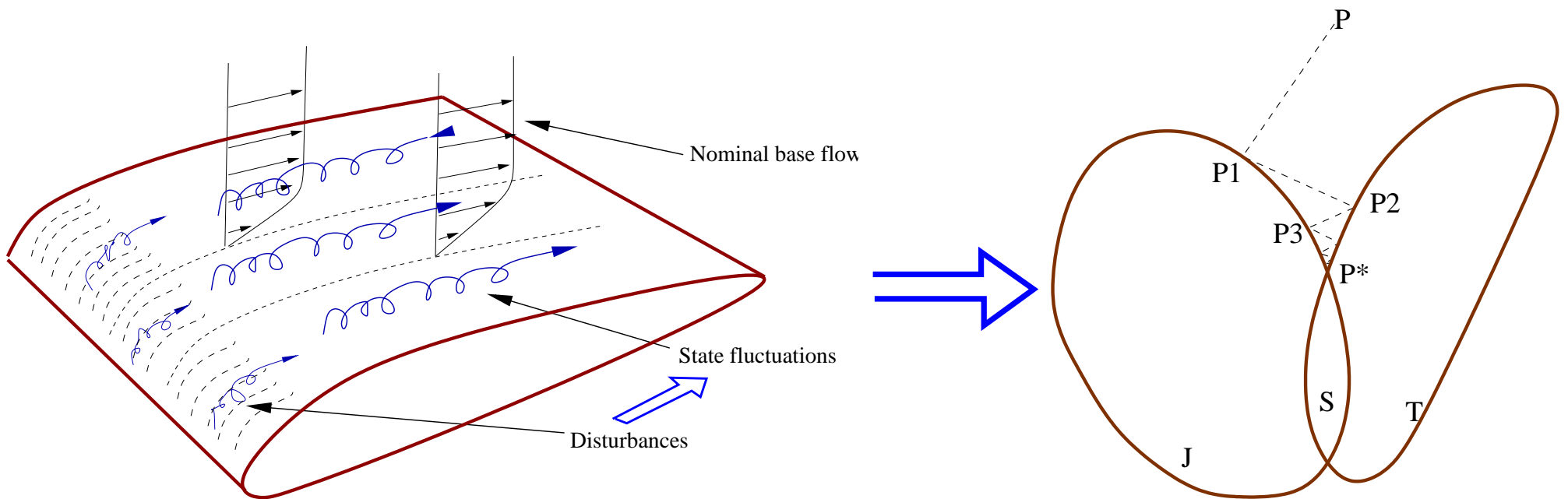


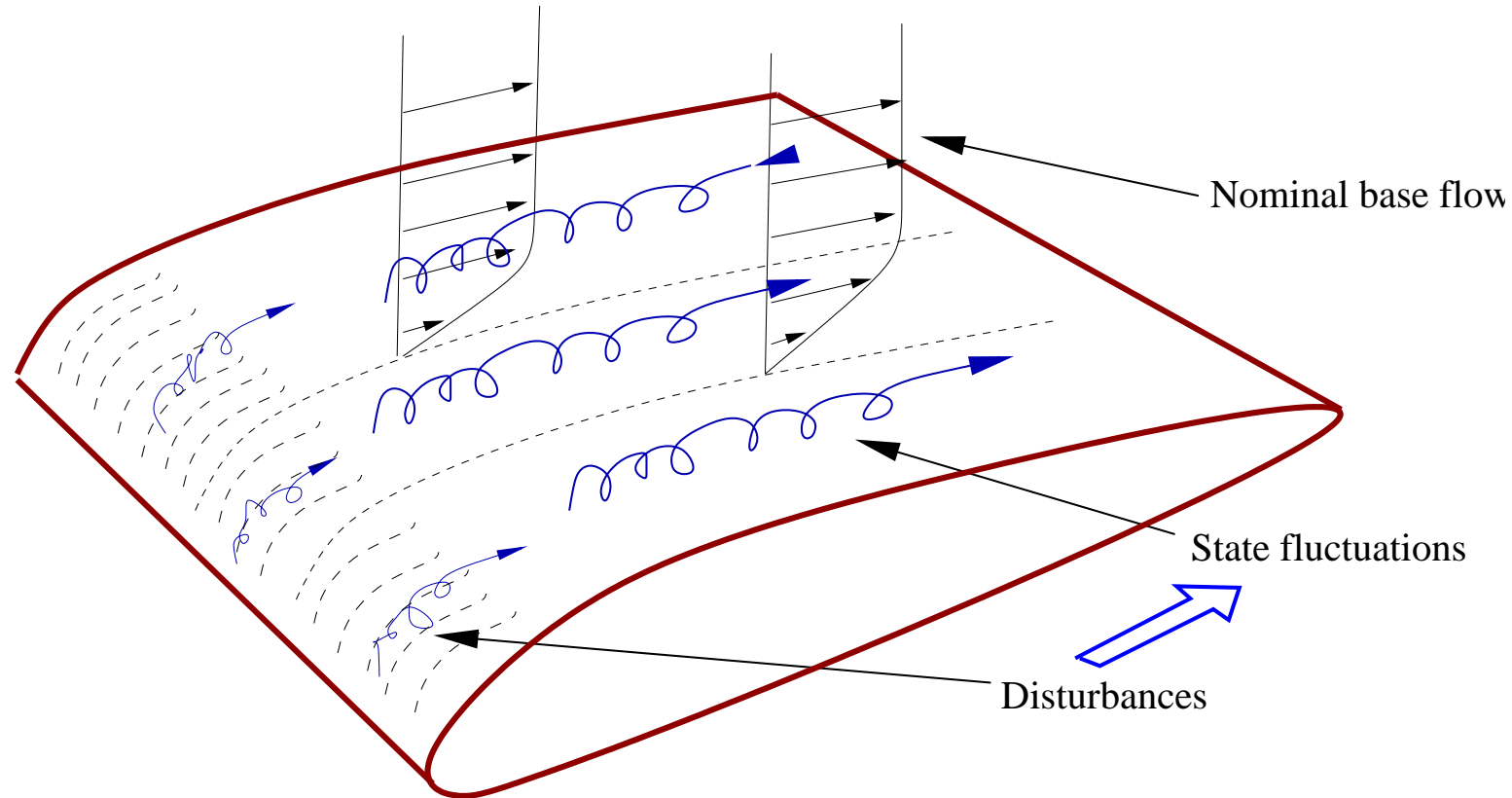
# Modeling flow statistics using convex optimization



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# Motivations

We can observe the flow fluctuations, but what are the sources of disturbances?



Wall roughness, Acoustic waves, Free-stream turbulence, ...

**Lead to a great variety of state fluctuations**

Hope for a quantitative, statistical description of sources of disturbances

# Inspiration

## 1) Modeling flow statistics using the linearized Navier–Stokes equations,

Jovanović & Bamieh, CDC 2001

→ Presentation and justification of the modeling problem in fluid mechanics. Model the covariance of disturbances.

## 2) A unified algebraic approach to linear control design,

Skelton, Iwasaki & Grigoriadis, Taylor & Francis 1998

→ LMI problem formulation, solution by alternating projection.

**Our aim:** Add an optimal flavour to 1) ,  
show the limitations of the modeling,  
use methods from 2)

## Idea: Lyapunov equation

Assume a dynamic model  $A$  is available: linear, stable.  
Stochastic description of system's state and external disturbances

$$\dot{x} = Ax + w \quad \begin{cases} P = Exx^H \\ M = Eww^H \end{cases}$$

At steady state, Lyapunov equation:  $\begin{cases} AP + PA^H + M = 0 \\ A : \text{Dynamic operator} \\ P : \text{State covariance} \\ M : \text{Disturbance covariance} \end{cases}$

**Knowing the state covariance and with a dynamic model,  
→ recover covariance of disturbances**

## The Lyapunov cone

$P$  and  $M$  are covariance matrices

$$P \geq 0, \quad M \geq 0, \Rightarrow AP + PA^H \leq 0$$

The operator  $A$  generates a **convex** cone.

Lyapunov theorem:

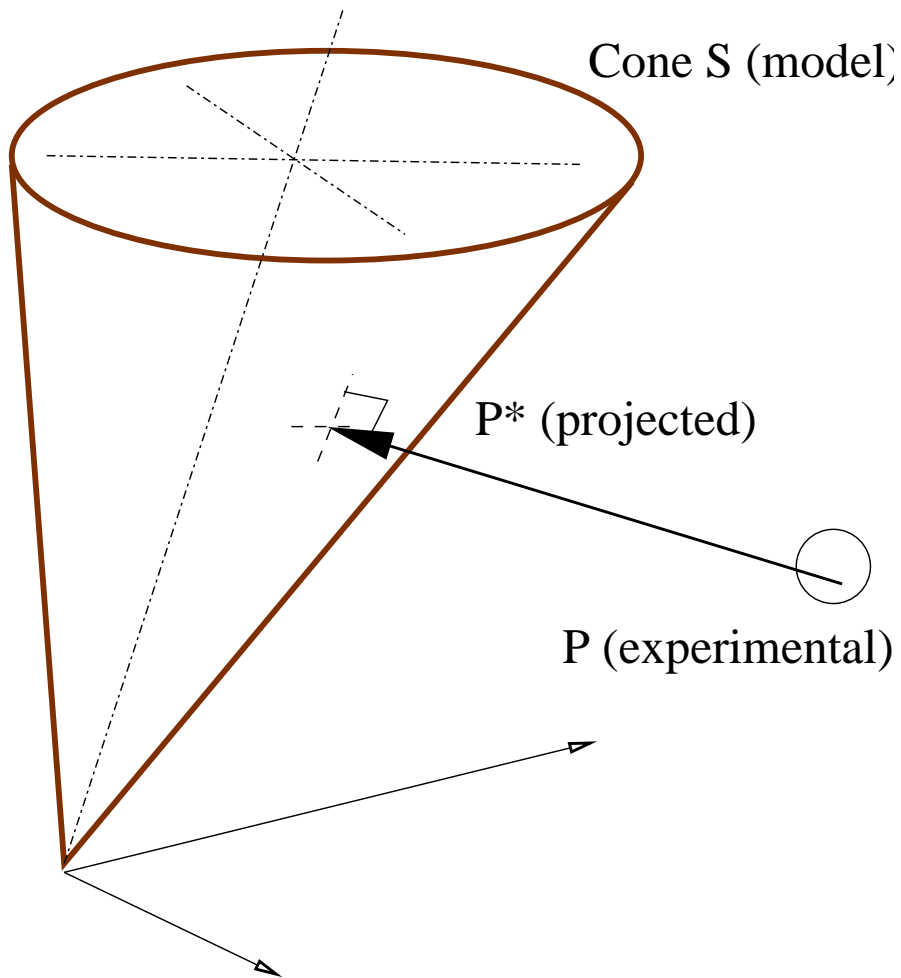
$$\forall M \geq 0, \exists! P \geq 0 / AP + PA^H + M = 0$$

**but**  $\exists P \geq 0 / AP + PA^H$  is indefinite

**Problem:**  $P$  might be out of the cone of our model  $A$  ...

# Find the closest one

→ Minimization problem



Consider the cone :

$$\mathcal{S} = \{P \geq 0 / AP + PA^H \leq 0\}$$

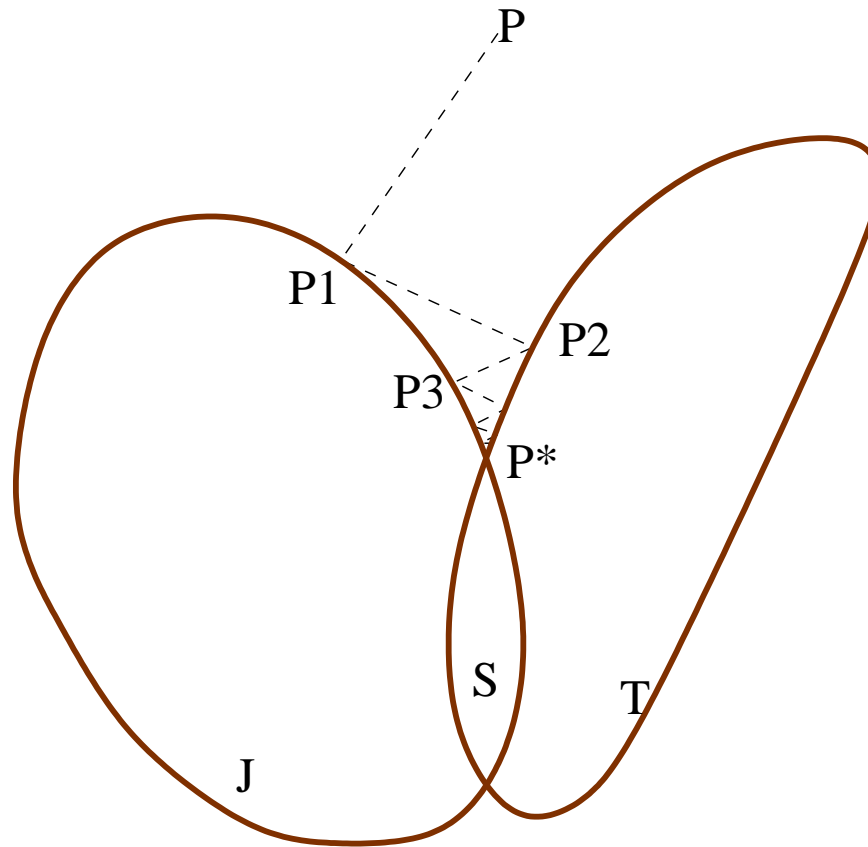
Find  $P^* \in \mathcal{S}$  closest to our experimental  $P$

$P^*$  is the orthogonal projection of  $P$  on  $\mathcal{S}$

## Solution by alternating projection

Convex minimization problem, large dimension:  $P, M, A$ , have  $n(n - 1)/2$  elements

Too big for central path method. Can we use alternating projection?



We can decompose  $S$  into the intersection of two simpler sets  $\mathcal{J} \cap \mathcal{T}$ :

→ Derive simple analytical projection formula on sets  $\mathcal{J}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$

## Intersection of the sets $\mathcal{J}$ and $\mathcal{T}$

$$S = \mathcal{J} \cap \mathcal{T},$$

$$\mathcal{J} = \left\{ W \in \mathcal{H}_{2n} / \begin{pmatrix} A & I \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} A^H \\ I \end{pmatrix} \leq 0 \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \left\{ W \in \mathcal{H}_{2n} / W = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & W_{12} \\ W_{12}^H & 0 \end{pmatrix}, W_{12} \in \mathcal{H}_n \right\}$$

### Projection on $\mathcal{J}$ :

Comes down to a projection on negativity set  $\{P \in \mathcal{H}_n / P \leq 0\}$  in the rank subspace of  $\begin{pmatrix} A & I \end{pmatrix}$

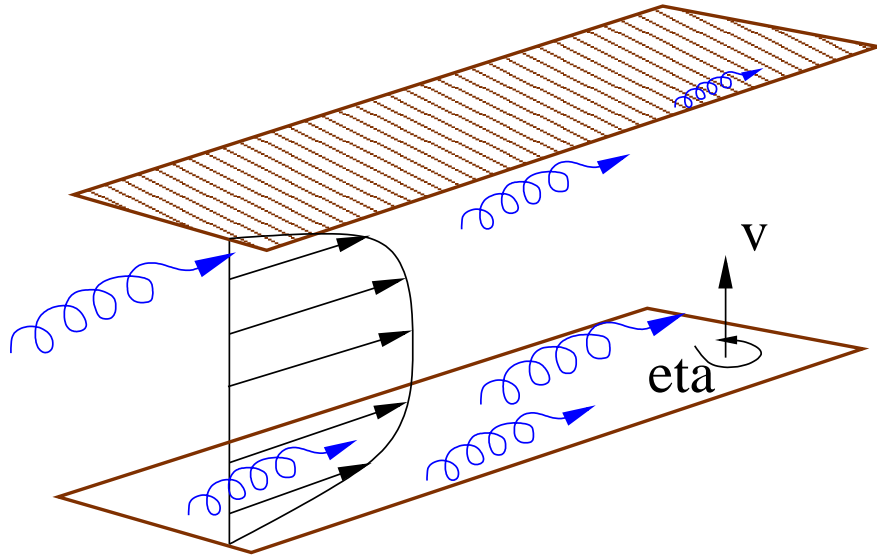
### Projection on $\mathcal{T}$ :

$$V^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2}(V_{12} + V_{12}^H) \\ \frac{1}{2}(V_{12} + V_{12}^H) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**It costs one eigendecomposition in  $\mathcal{H}_n$  per iteration.**



# Example: Channel flow



State variable is wall-normal velocity/wall-normal vorticity.

$$L_{OS} = -ik_x U \Delta + ik_x D^2 U + \Delta^2 / Re,$$

$$L_{SQ} = -ik_x U + \Delta / Re,$$

$$L_C = -ik_z D U$$

Spatial invariance in horizontal direction  $\rightarrow$  work in spatial frequency space.  
 Orr-Sommerfeld/squire equation for small state perturbations at each frequency pair:

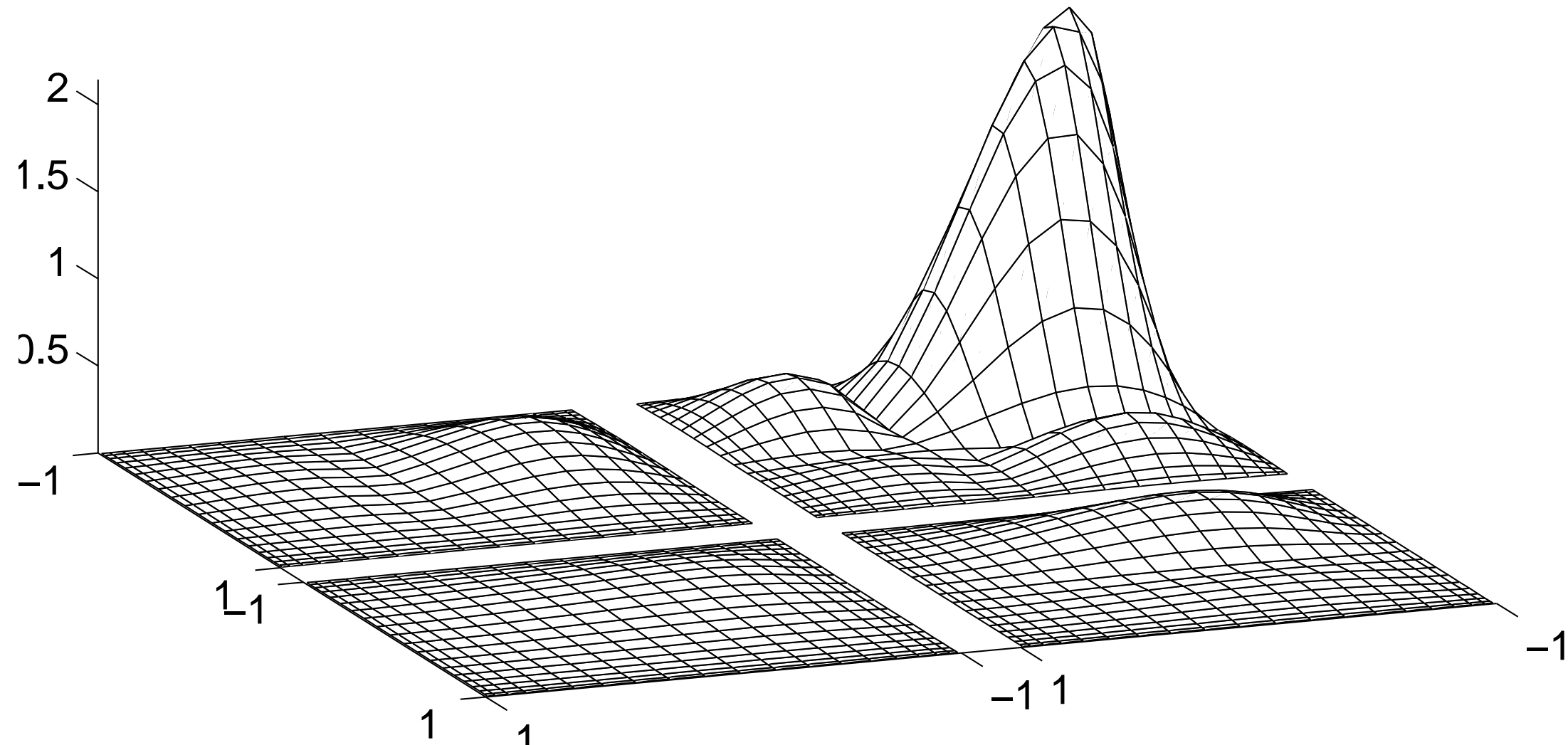
**plant/Model:** Parametric mismatch in the Reynold number:

$$\mu = \left| \frac{Re - Re_{model}}{Re_{model}} \right|$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \dot{v} \\ \dot{\eta} \end{pmatrix}}_{\dot{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \Delta^{-1} L_{OS} & 0 \\ L_C & L_{SQ} \end{pmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}}_x + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} d_v \\ d_\eta \end{pmatrix}}_d$$

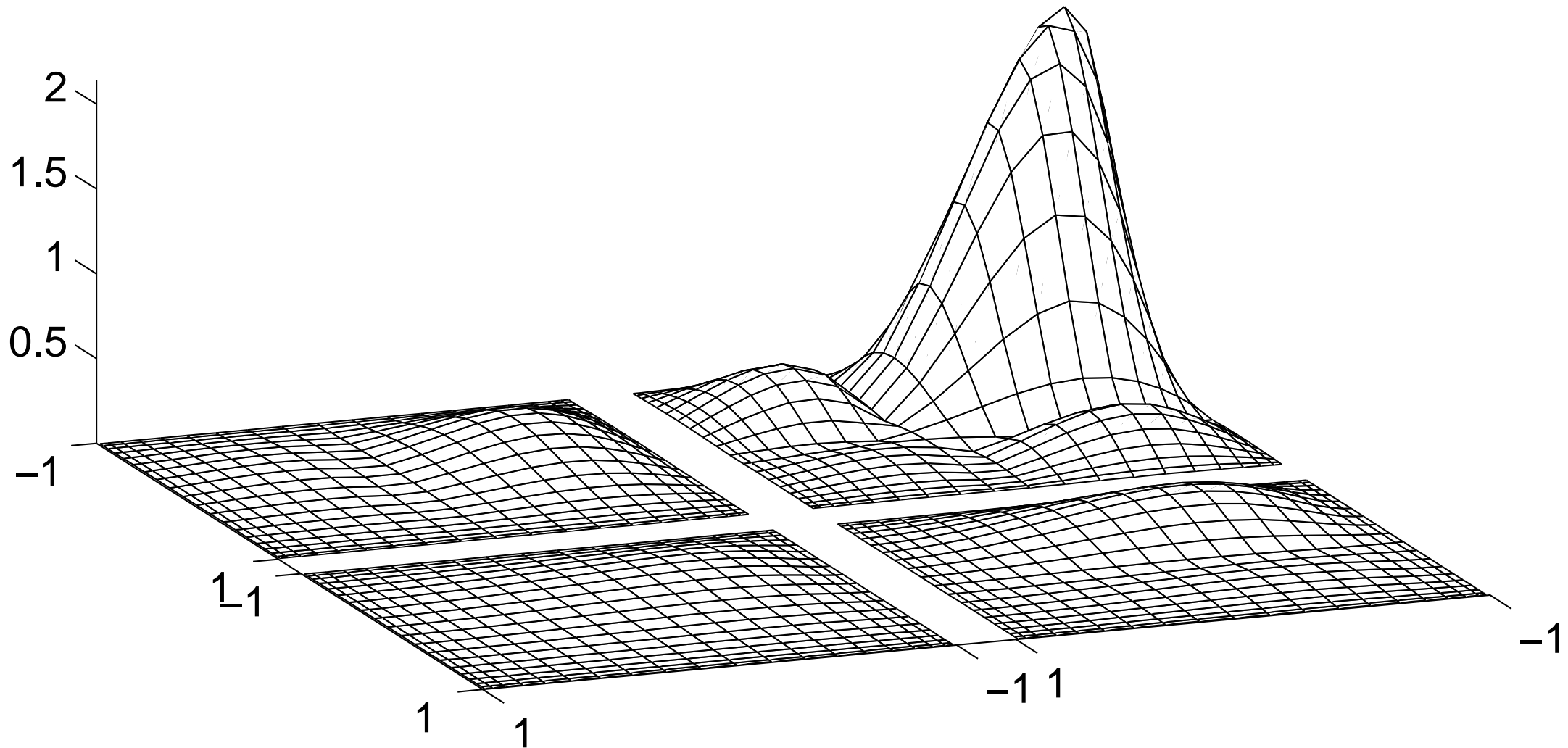
Low  $Re \rightarrow$  dominating viscous effects.

# Given an experimental state covariance



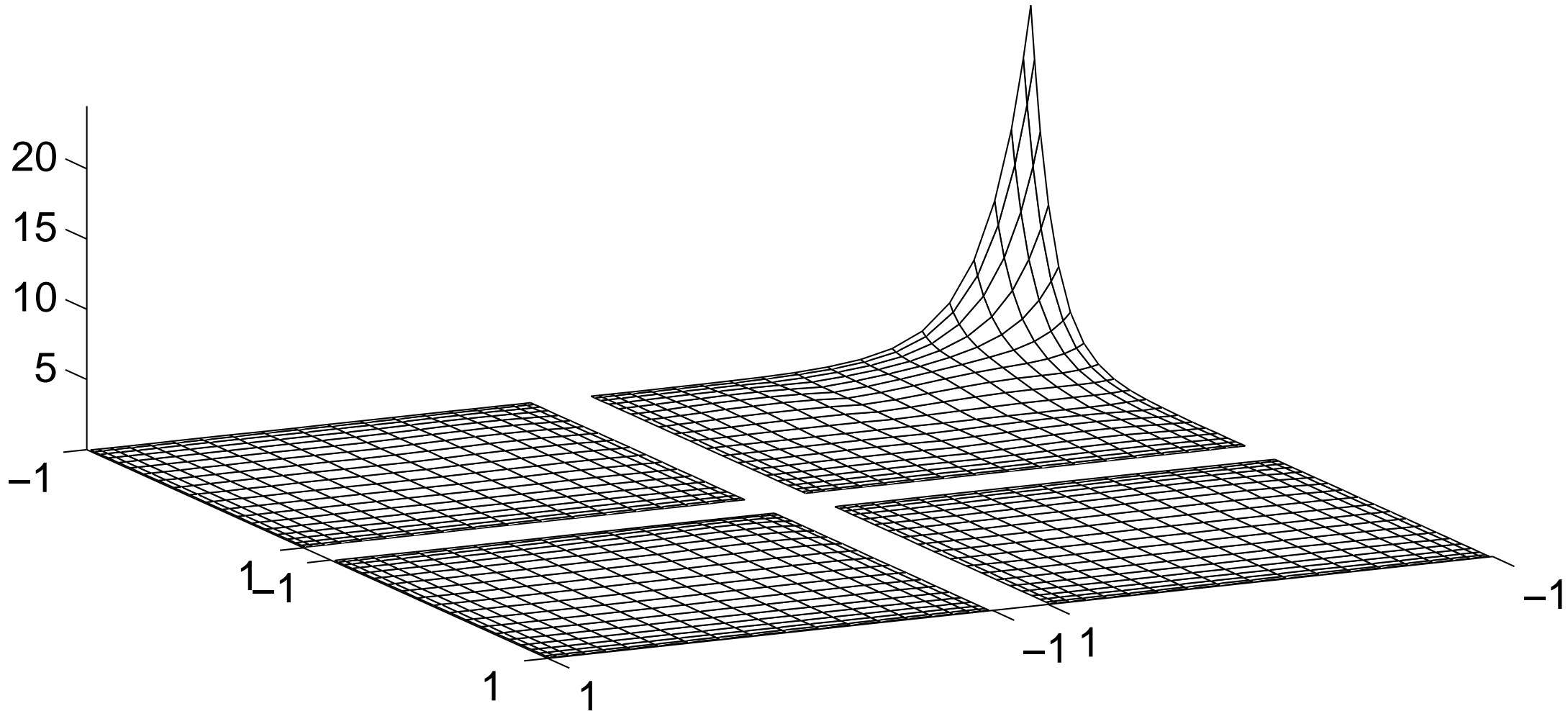
State covariance is assimetric → something happens at one wall!

# Projected state covariance ( $\mu = 0.5$ )



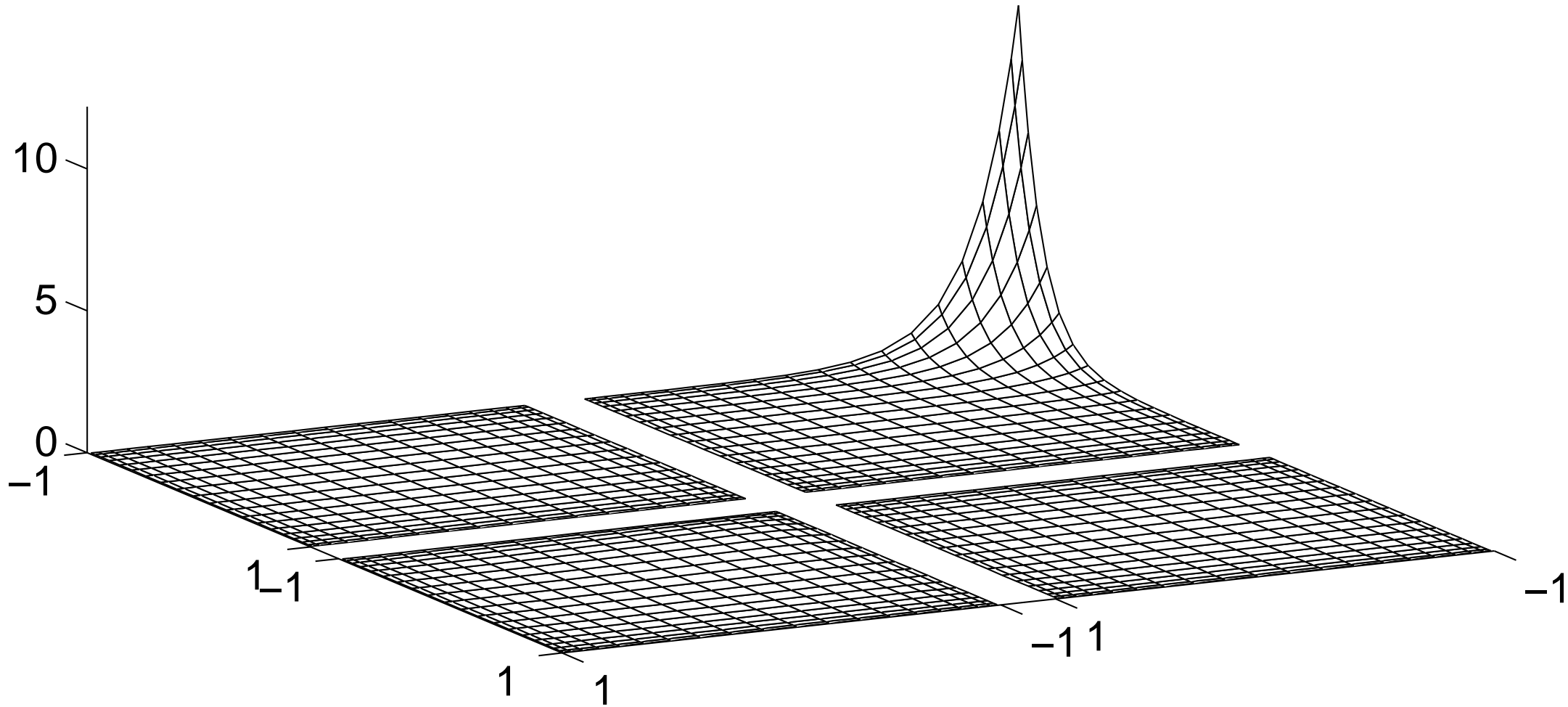
Projected using alternating convex projection

# Corresponding disturbance covariance ( $\mu = 0.5$ )



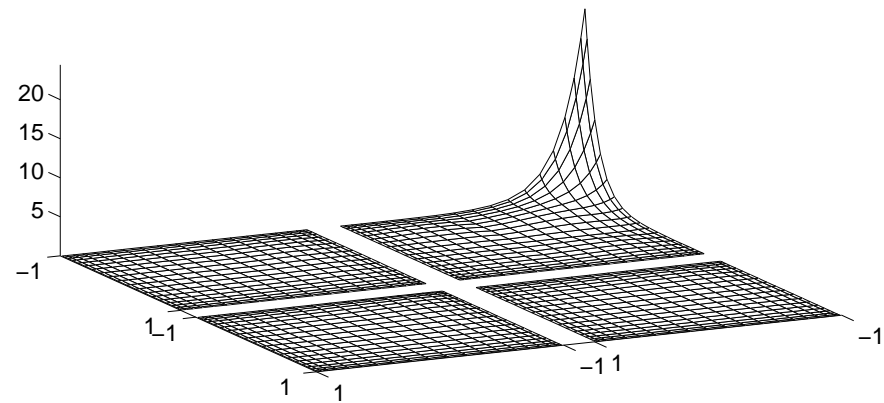
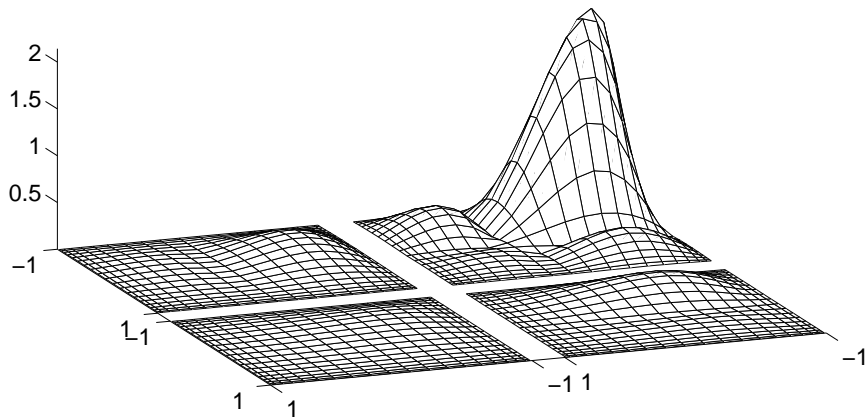
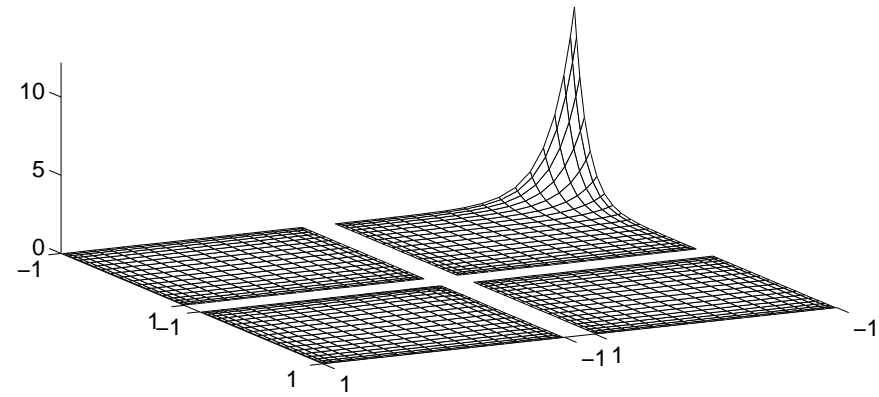
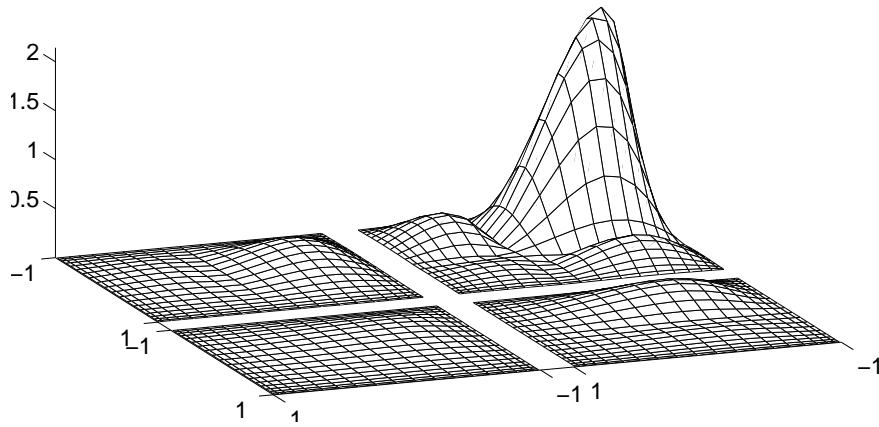
from Lyapunov equation  $M = -(AP + PA^H)$

# Compare to “true” disturbance covariance



Used to force the plant

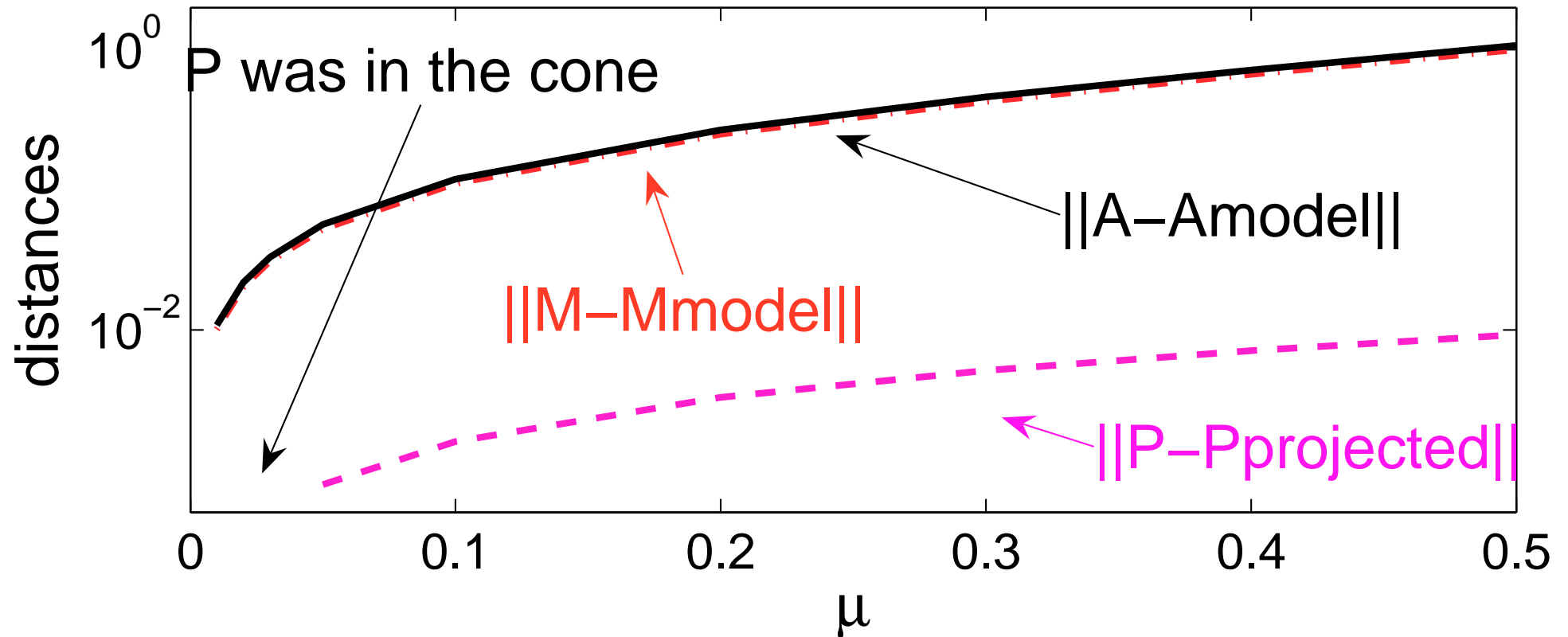
(parametric mismatch  $\mu = 0.5$ )



$Re_{model} = Re/2$ . Lower sensitivity  $\rightarrow$  need larger forcing.

## Distance with mismatch $\mu$

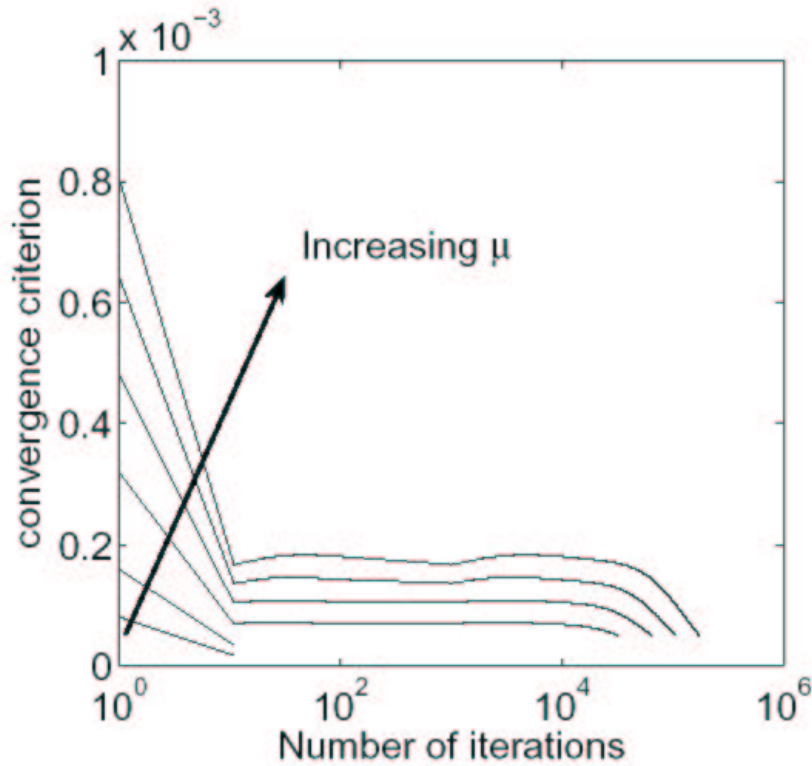
experimental/projected distance:



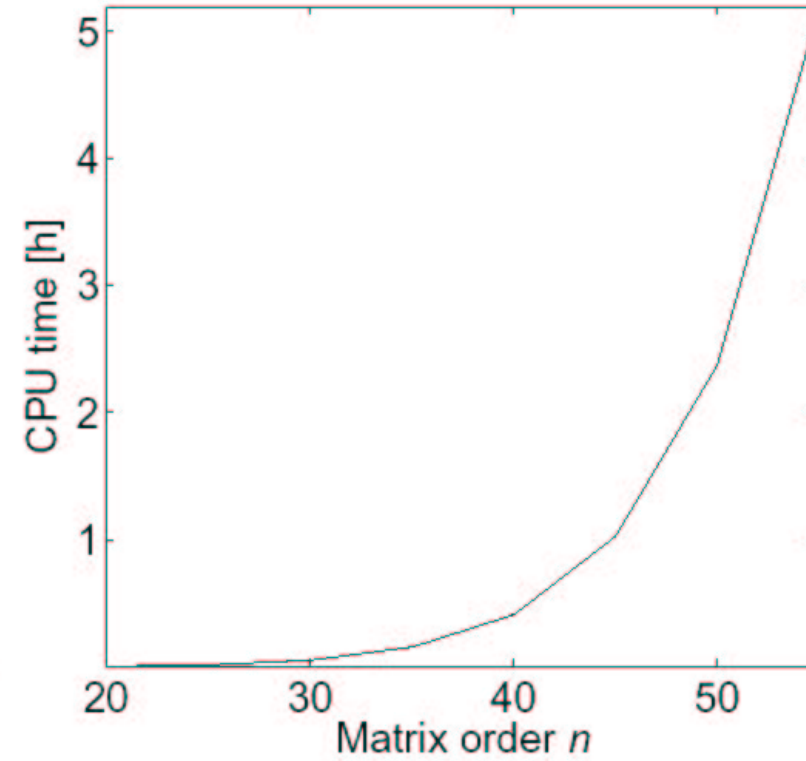
P is not in the cone, but the projected one is close.

Matrix distance measured in Frobenius norm.

# Computation



**Iterations**



**computation time**

More iteration when larger mismatch. Slower when reaching solution.





## Conclusions

Have a model and a experimental state covariance  $\rightarrow$  recover disturbance covariance. Illustration on channel flow.

### Observations

- Need projection if  $P$  is not in the cone
- Can use alternating convex projection, defining cone as intersection

### Remains

- Too slow computations  $\rightarrow$  should use directional alternating projection



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**Extra slides**

# Alternating projection for optimality problem

We recall here the alternating projection algorithm for the optimality problem.

Consider the family of closed, convex sets  $\{\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2, \dots, \mathcal{C}_m\}$  and a given matrix  $X_0$ . The sequence of matrices  $\{X_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$  computed as follow:

$$X_1 = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_1} X_0, \quad Z_1 = X_1 - X_0$$

$$X_2 = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_2} X_1, \quad Z_2 = X_2 - X_1$$

⋮

$$X_m = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_m} X_{m-1}, \quad Z_m = X_m - X_{m-1}$$

$$X_{m+1} = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_1} (X_m - Z_1), \quad Z_{m+1} = Z_1 + X_{m+1} - X_m$$

$$X_{m+2} = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_2} (X_{m+1} - Z_2), \quad Z_{m+2} = Z_2 + X_{m+2} - X_{m+1}$$

⋮

$$X_{2m} = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_m} (X_{2m-1} - Z_m), \quad Z_{2m} = Z_m + X_{2m} - X_{2m-1}$$

$$X_{2m+1} = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_1} (X_{2m} - Z_{m+1}), \quad Z_{2m+1} = Z_{m+1} + X_{2m+1} - X_{2m}$$

⋮

converges to the orthogonal projection of  $X_0$  on  $\mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2 \cap \dots \cap \mathcal{C}_m$ .

## Projection on negativity set

Let  $X \in \mathcal{H}_n$ , with eigenvalue-eigenvector decomposition  $X = L\Lambda L^H$ . The projection  $X^*$  of  $X$  onto the set of negative semidefinite matrices is

$$X^* = L\Lambda_-L^H,$$

where  $\Lambda_-$  is the diagonal matrix obtained by replacing the positive eigenvalues of  $X$  in  $\Lambda$  by zero.

## Projection on $\mathcal{J}$

Let  $W \in \mathcal{H}_{2n}$ . Consider the singular value decomposition

$$\begin{pmatrix} A, I \end{pmatrix} F_2^{-1} = U \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma, 0 \end{pmatrix} V^H \quad (1)$$

where  $U$  and  $V$  are unitary matrices, and define

$$Y \triangleq V^H F_2 W F_2^H V = \begin{pmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} \\ Y_{12}^H & Y_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_{11} \in \mathcal{H}_n \quad (2)$$

The projection  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{J}}^{Q_2} W$  of the matrix  $W$  onto the set  $\mathcal{J}$  is

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{J}}^{Q_2} W = F_2^{-1} V \begin{pmatrix} Y_{11}^* & Y_{12} \\ Y_{12}^H & Y_{22} \end{pmatrix} V^H F_2^{-1H} \quad (3)$$

where  $Y_{11}^*$  is the projection of  $Y_{11}$  on the set of negative definite matrices for the unweighted Frobenius norm as in (20).

Let

$$\hat{W} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{W}_{11} & \hat{W}_{12} \\ \hat{W}_{12}^H & \hat{W}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{J} \quad (4)$$

be an arbitrary matrix in  $\mathcal{J}$ . We will show that the inner product  $\langle W^* - W, W^* - \hat{W} \rangle$  is

(??), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle W^* - W, W^* - \hat{W} \rangle_{Q_1} \\
 &= \langle F_2 W^* F_2^H - F_2 W F_2^H, F_2 W^* F_2^H - F_2 \hat{W} F_2^H \rangle_I \\
 &= \langle Y^* - Y, Y^* - \hat{Y} \rangle_I,
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y^* &= V^H F_2 W^* F_2^H V, & Y &= V^H F_2 W F_2^H V, \\
 \hat{Y} &= V^H F_2 \hat{W} F_2^H V.
 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

since  $V$  is unitary. Partitioning the matrices as in (4) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle Y^* - Y, Y^* - \hat{Y} \rangle_I \\
 &= \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} Y_{11}^* - Y_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} Y_{11}^* - \hat{Y}_{11} & Y_{12} - \hat{Y}_{12} \\ Y_{12}^H - \hat{Y}_{12}^H & Y_{22} - \hat{Y}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle_I \\
 &= \langle Y_{11}^* - Y_{11}, Y_{11}^* - \hat{Y}_{11} \rangle_I
 \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Now observe that, since  $\hat{W} \in \mathcal{J}$ , we have

$$(A, I) \hat{W} \begin{pmatrix} A^H \\ I \end{pmatrix} \leq 0, \tag{8}$$

and by substituting the singular value decomposition

$$U \left( \Sigma, 0 \right) \underbrace{V^H F_2 \hat{W} F_2^H V}_{\hat{Y}} \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma^H \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} U^H \leq 0, \quad (9)$$

then pre- and post- multiplying by  $\Sigma^{-1}U^H$  and  $(\Sigma^{-1}U^H)^H$  we obtain

$$\begin{pmatrix} I, 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{Y} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leq 0, \quad (10)$$

that is,  $\hat{Y}_{11} \leq 0$ . Note that, from lemma ??, the orthogonal projection of the matrix  $Y_{11}$  on this set is given by (20). Hence, by construction of  $Y_{11}^*$  in (3), we have

$$\langle Y_{11}^* - Y_{11}, Y_{11}^* - \hat{Y}_{11} \rangle_I \leq 0, \quad (11)$$

that is, the inner product (5) is non-positive.