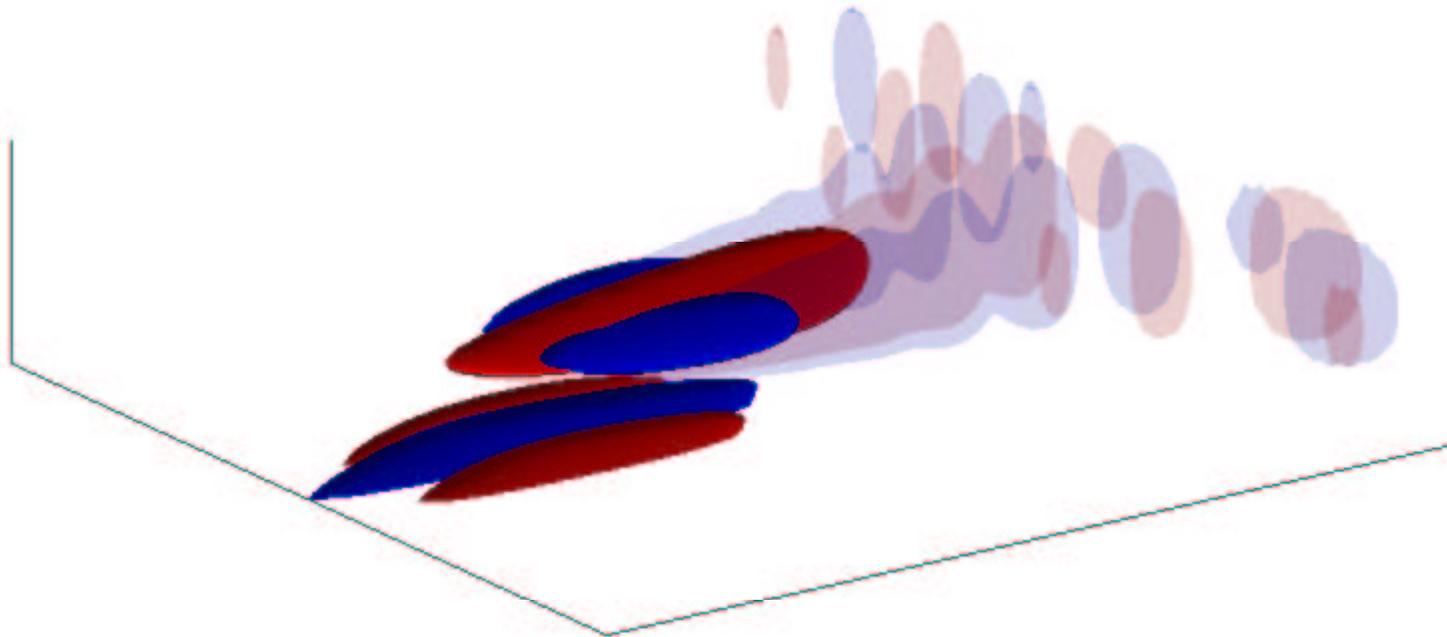




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# Linear feedback control of transition in shear flows



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# Optimal linear control

- State model using linearized Navier-Stokes (LNS)
- OS-SQ formulation assuming parallel mean flow
- External sources of disturbances
- Control at the wall with blowing/suction
- Minimize disturbance energy

**Shear flows are highly sensitive to external sources of disturbances because of the non-normality of the underlying dynamical operator:**

**OS-SQ**

# OS-SQ equations

Dynamics of small perturbations  $q$   
about the laminar base flow profile  $U$

Flow state  $q = (v, \eta)^T$  and dynamics  $A$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \dot{v} \\ \dot{\eta} \end{pmatrix}}_{\dot{q}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{L}_{OS} & 0 \\ \mathcal{L}_C & \mathcal{L}_{SQ} \end{pmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}}_q + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f_v \\ f_\eta \end{pmatrix}}_f, \quad \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v(0) \\ \eta(0) \end{pmatrix}}_{q(0)} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} v_0 \\ \eta_0 \end{pmatrix}}_{q_0}.$$

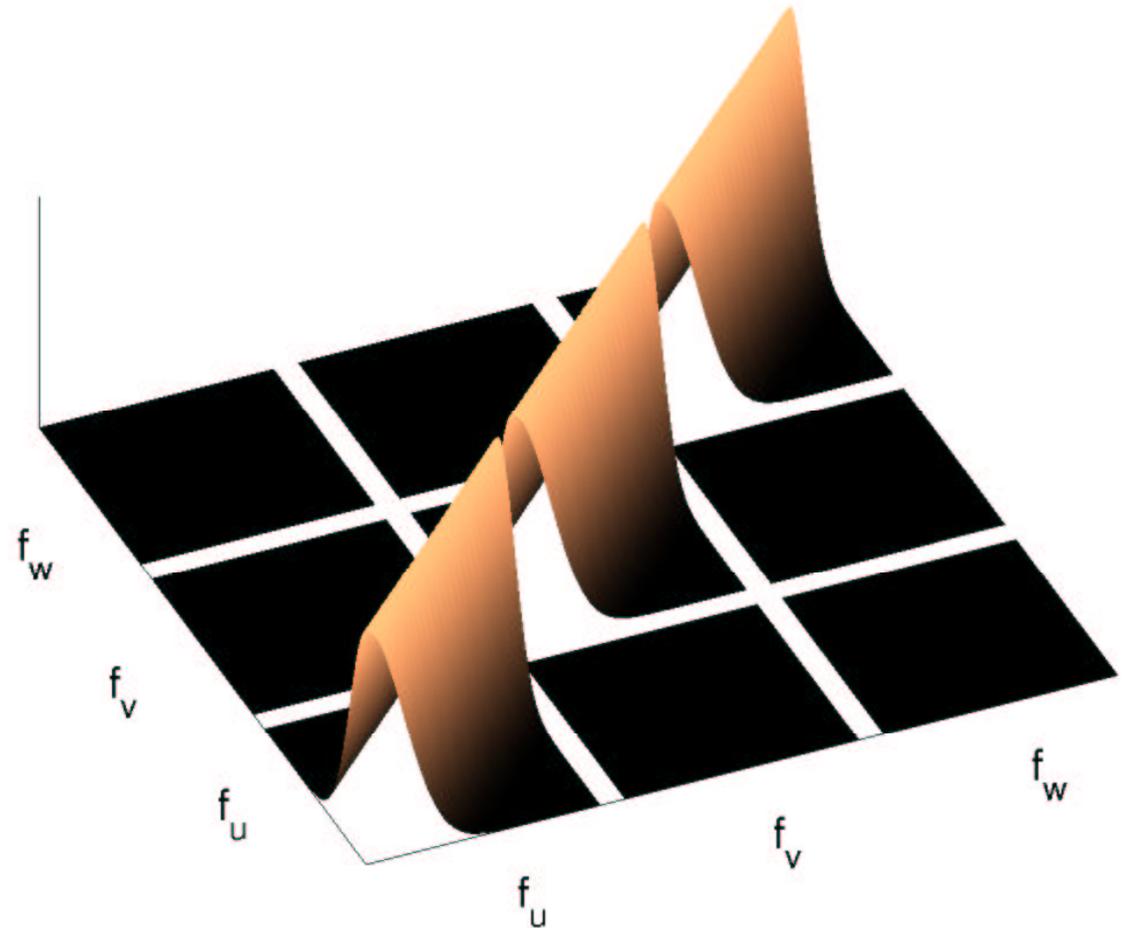
$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}_{OS} = \Delta^{-1}(-ik_x U \Delta + ik_x U'' + \Delta^2 / Re), \\ \mathcal{L}_{SQ} = -ik_x U \Delta / Re, \\ \mathcal{L}_C = -ik_z U', \end{cases}$$

External source of disturbances  $f$  as a volume forcing

# External disturbances

Forcing exciting the flow state:

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



Covariance matrix  $R_{ff} = E[ff^*]$ , for  $f = (f_u, f_v, f_w)^T$



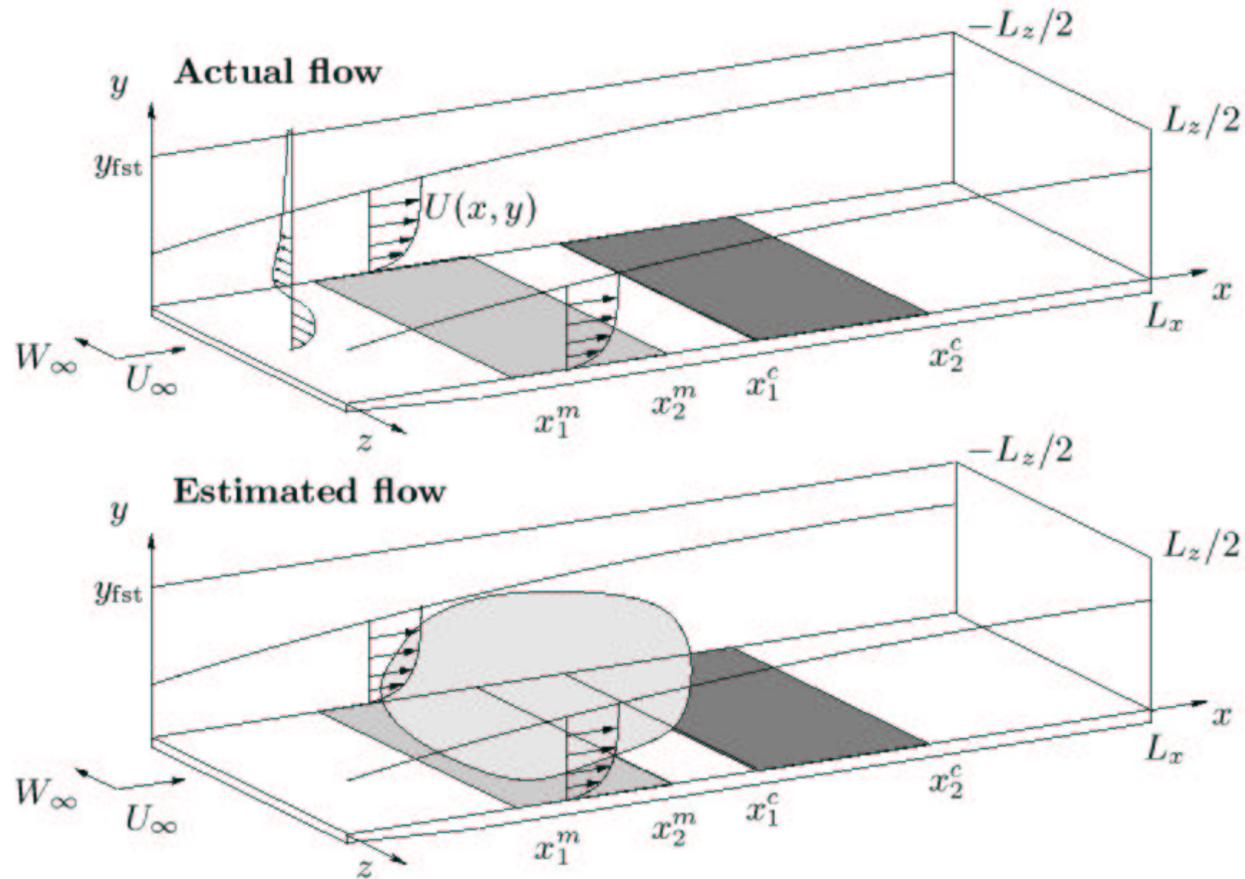
## Measurement and actuation

**Measure** instantaneous wall shear stress and wall pressure.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tau_x = \tau_{xy}|_{wall} = \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \Big|_{wall} = \frac{i\mu}{k^2} (k_x D^2 v - k_z D\eta) \Big|_{wall}, \\ \tau_z = \tau_{zy}|_{wall} = \mu \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \Big|_{wall} = \frac{i\mu}{k^2} (k_z D^2 v + k_x D\eta) \Big|_{wall}, \\ p = p|_{wall} = \frac{\mu}{k^2} D^3 v \Big|_{wall}. \end{array} \right.$$

**Actuate** by means of wall blowing and suction  
(boundary conditions on  $v$ )

# Control procedure



- Get difference in measurements from flows
- Apply estimator forcing in estimated flow
- Compute control signal from estimated flow
- Apply control signal in flow and estimator



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# Formulation of the LQG control problem

$$\text{Flow} \begin{cases} \dot{q} = Aq + B_1 f + B_2 u \\ r = Cq + g. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Estimator} \begin{cases} \dot{\hat{q}} = A\hat{q} + B_2 u - v \\ \hat{r} = C\hat{q}. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Feedback} \begin{cases} \text{Control: } v = L(r - \hat{r}) \\ \text{Estimation: } u = K\hat{q}. \end{cases}$$

**Objective function:**

minimize kinetic energy

$$\mathcal{J} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (q^* Q q + \ell^2 u^* u) dt,$$

$\ell$  penalty on control effort

Decouple into an **estimation** problem and a **full information control** problem.

Solve two optimization problems to get the optimal  $L$  and  $K$ .



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# Solution of the optimisation

1. Constrained optimisation problem
2. Lagrange multipliers  $\rightarrow$  unconstrained minimisation of a Lagrangian
3. Obtain operator equation : Riccati equation
4. Solve the Riccati equation by spectral factorization

$$\text{Control : } \begin{cases} A^*X + XA - \frac{1}{l^2}XB_2B_2^*X + Q = 0, \\ \text{Control gain } K = -\frac{1}{l^2}B^*X, \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Estimation : } \begin{cases} AP + PA^* + B_1R_{ff}B_1^* - PC^*G^{-1}CP = 0, \\ \text{Estimation gain } L = -PC^*G^{-1}. \end{cases}$$

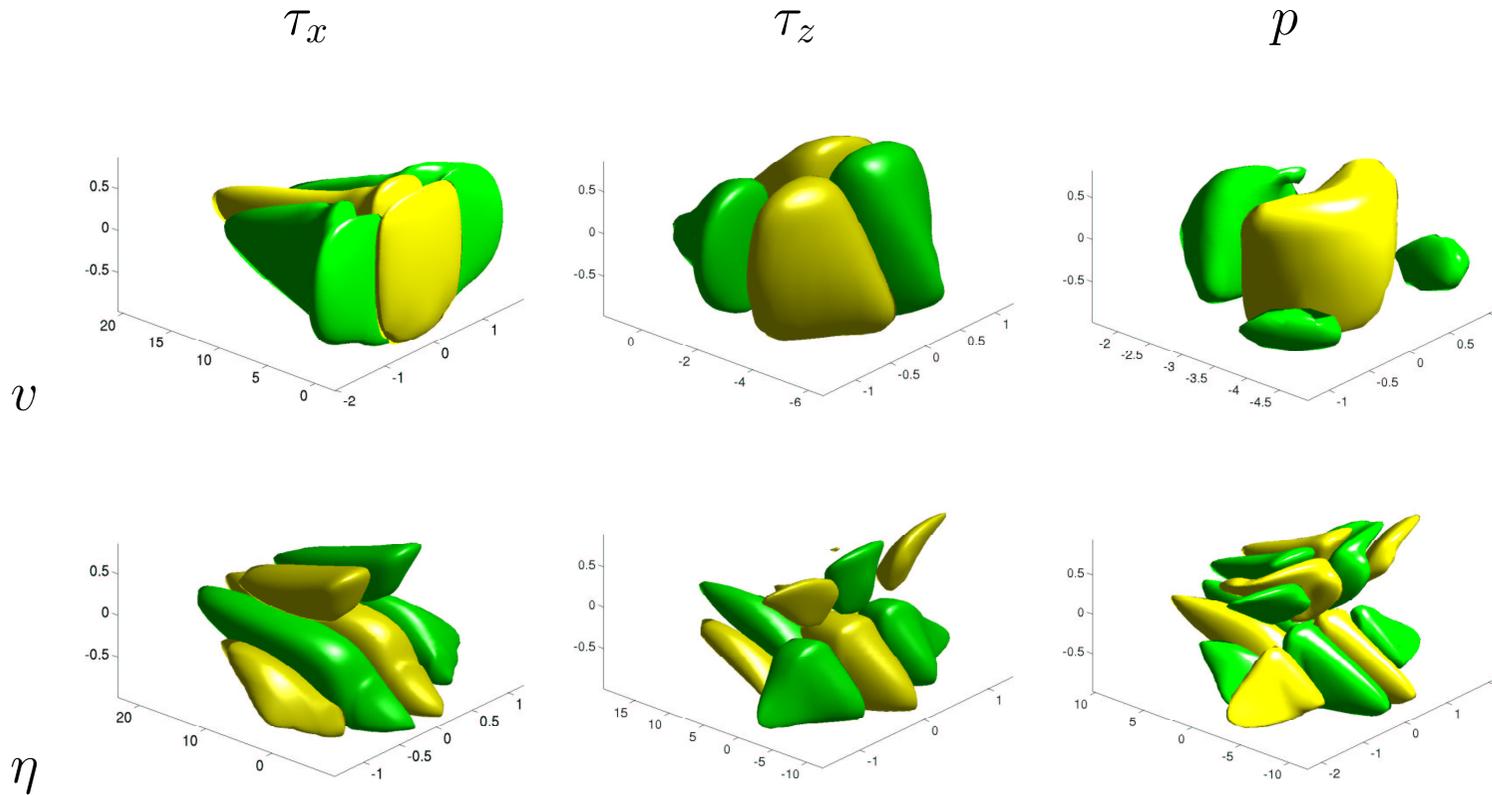
$Q$  is the quadratic norm,  $R_{ff}$  is the covariance of  $f$



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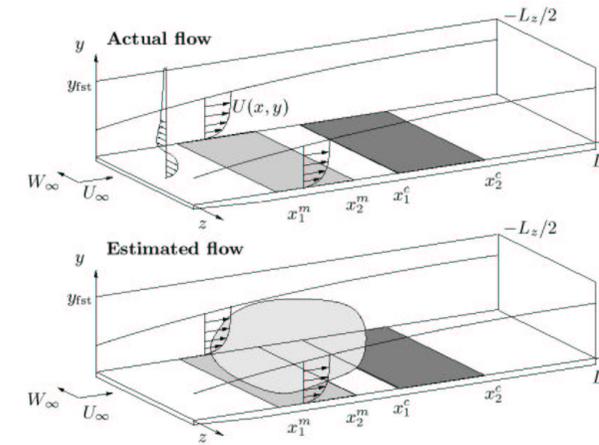
# Results

# Compact estimation kernels



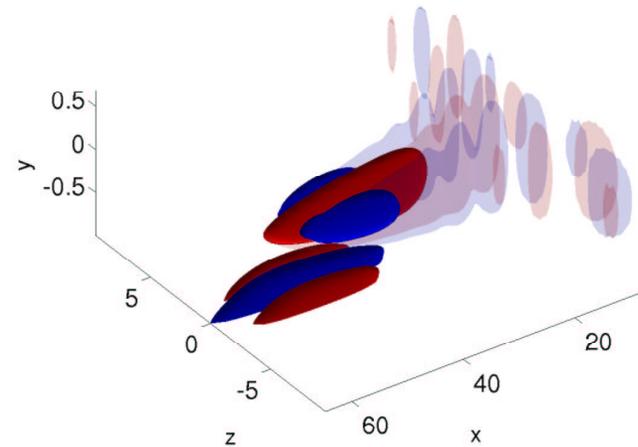
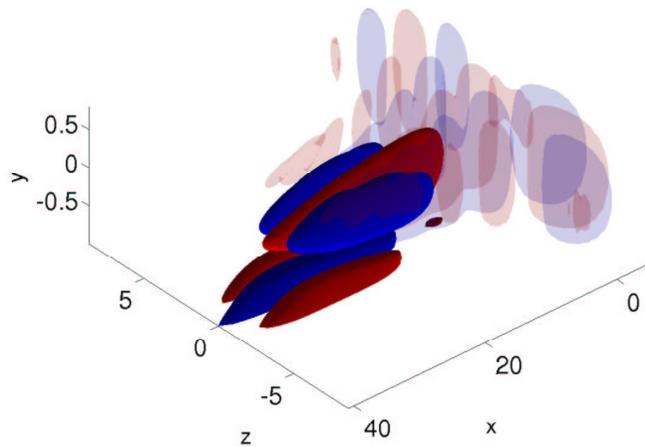
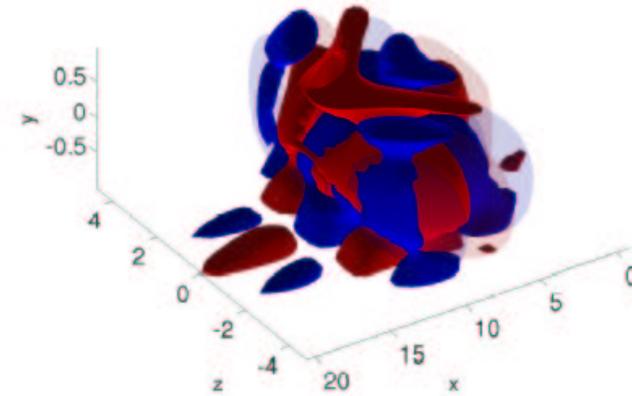
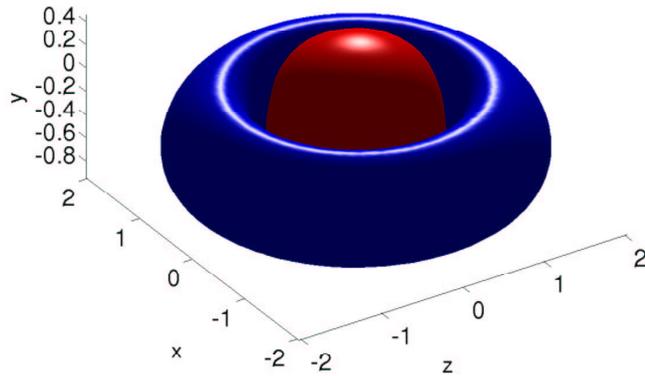
$v = L(r - \hat{r})$ , inverse Fourier transform to obtain convolution kernels

→ 3D forcing in the estimator flow.



# Feedback controlled initial condition

Axisymmetric localised initial condition



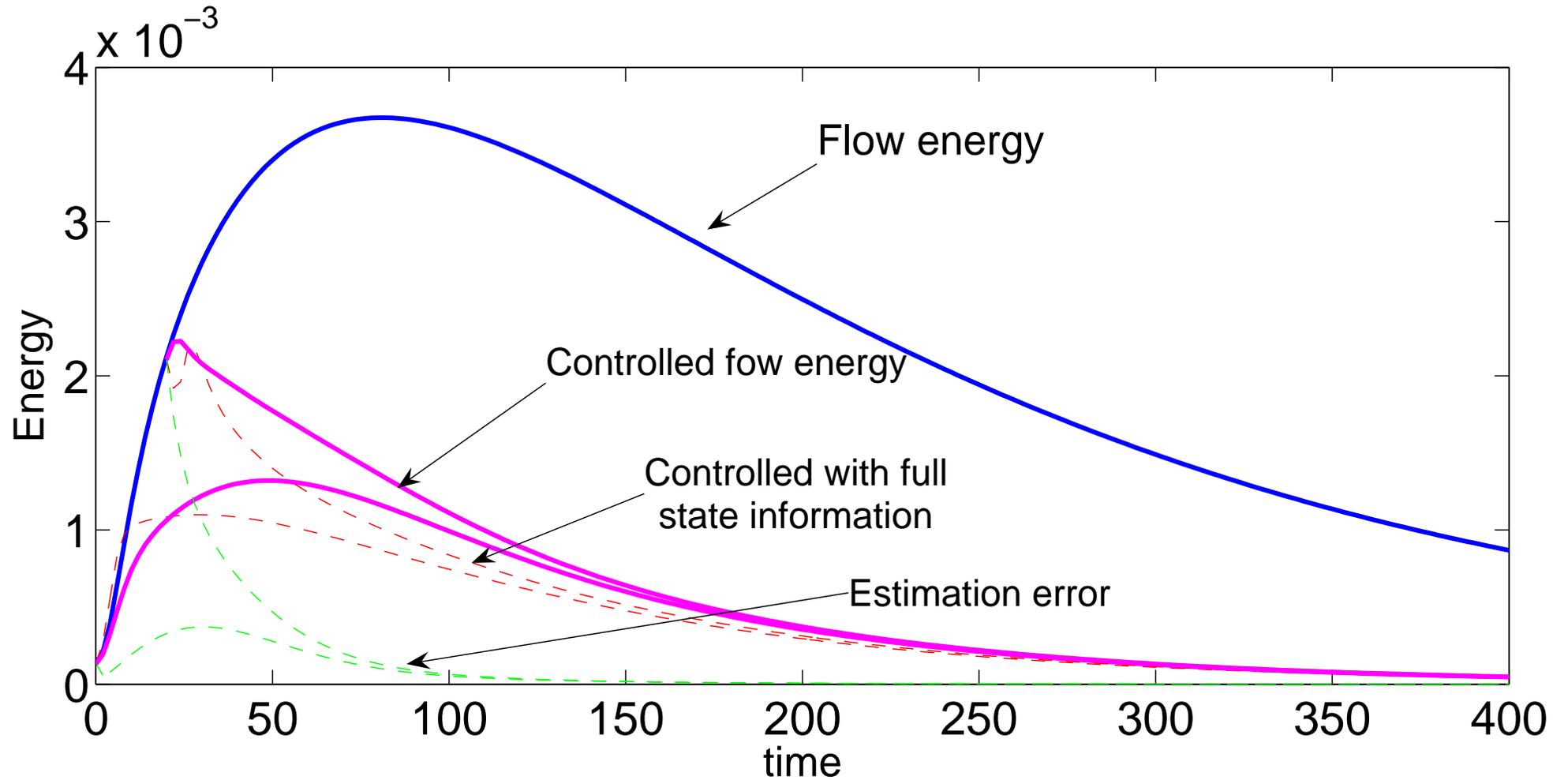
Wall normal velocity for original flow and controlled flow, Time 0, 10, 70, 90.



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# Energy evolution

Turn on the controller at time 0 and time 20

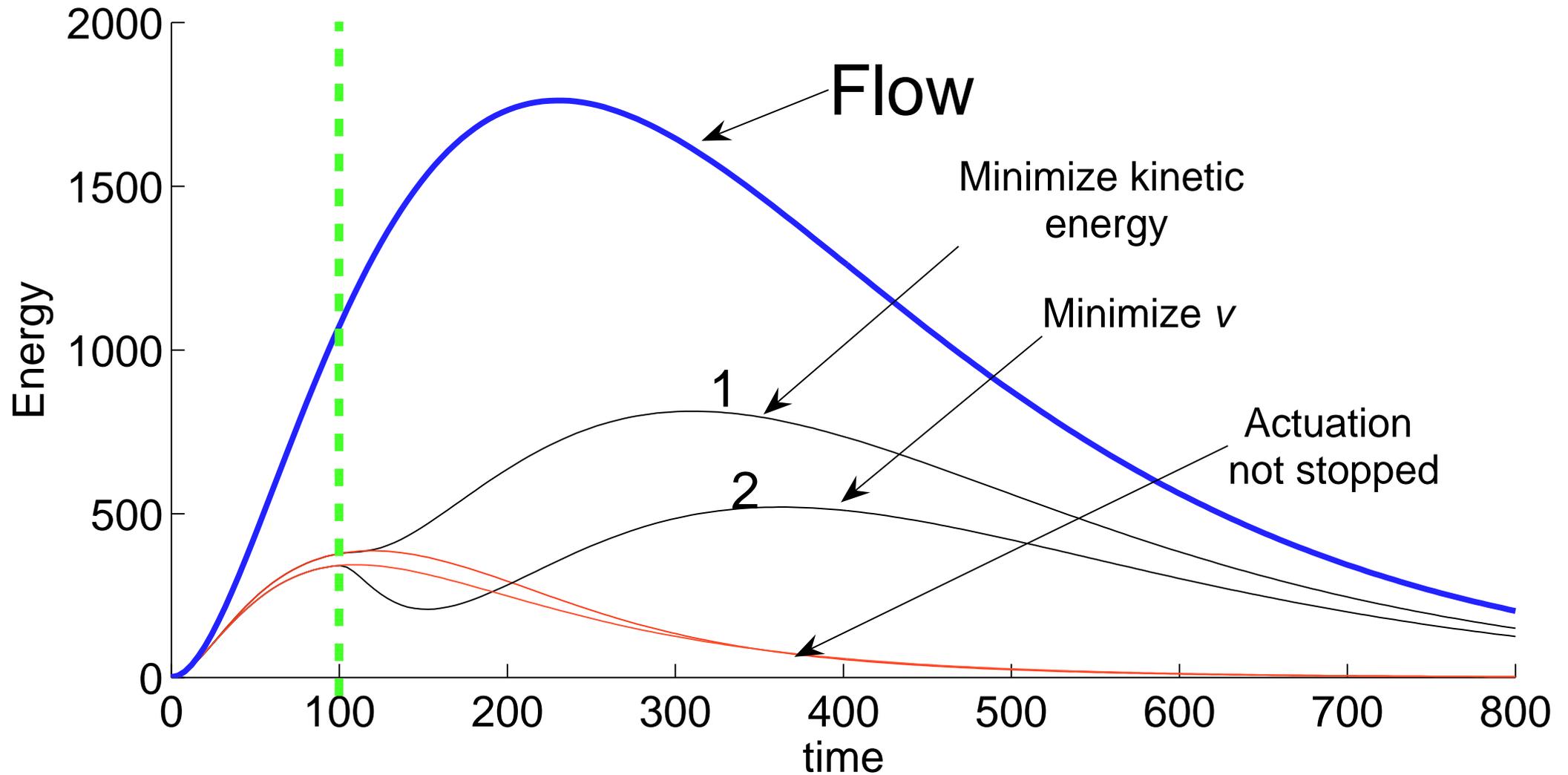




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# Objective function flexibility

Evolution of a WCD initial condition in a B.L.

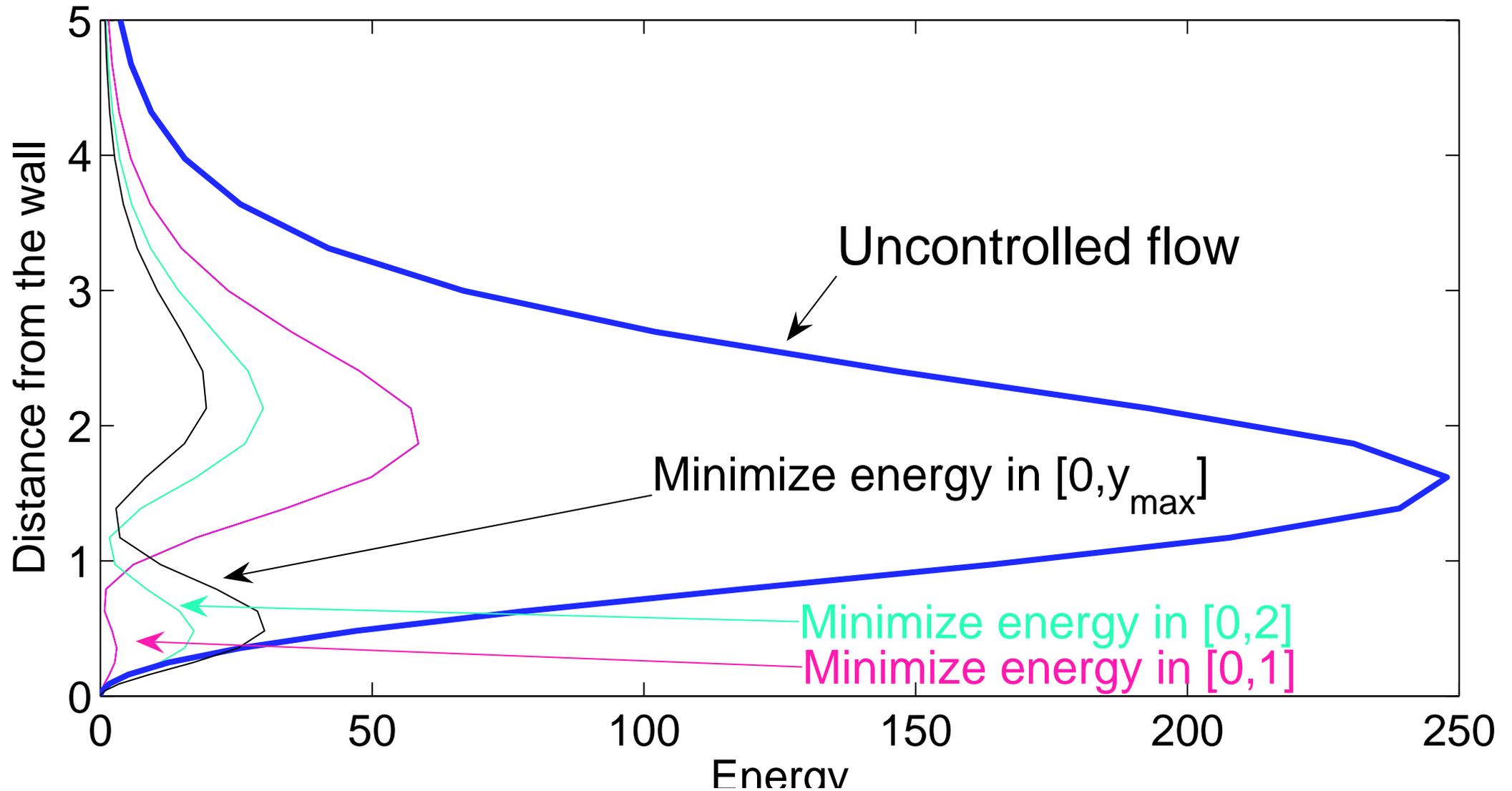


The control is turned off at time 100



# Objective function flexibility

Flow forced by stochastic external disturbance



The controller seeks to eject the disturbance out of the B.L.



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## Conclusions

- Optimal control and estimation applied to linearized Navier–Stokes
- Stochastic description of the external disturbance sources is important
- Localized perturbation controlled using wall measurements and wall actuation only
- Examples of flexibility of the objective function:
  - control effect after the actuation is stopped
  - how to eject the disturbances out of the boundary layer



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## Related talk

**Mattias Chevalier,**

*Linear control and estimation in boundary layer flows*

Day 2, session Flow Control II, 5:50

→ Same control scheme

→ spatially developing flows