

Energy growth in the compliant channel

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Compliant surfaces

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Figure 8. Neutral curves for the Tollmien–Schlichting instability showing the effect of (a) wall compliance and wall curvature for d=0 and (b) wall damping for $\gamma=0.025$. In both cases, we have B=4K.

Looking for "special things" in flows using optimization

Three-dimensional optimal perturbations in viscous shear flow

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FIG. 2. Development of the perturbation streamfunction ψ for the best growing 2-D energy optimal in Couette flow with R = 1000, located at $\alpha = 1.21$, $\tau = 8.7$. The streamfunction ψ is defined by $-\partial\psi/\partial y = u$ and $\partial\psi/\partial x = v$.



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On the stability of a falling liquid curtain

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Figure 5. Curtain shape versus time for $\kappa = 5 \times 10^4$ and U = 0.4 starting with the optimal initial condition, i.e. the initial condition that results in the maximum energy amplification near $i = T_{tab}$ in figure 4(a).

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Transient growth in two-phase mixing layers



Flow and wall dynamics



 $u(1) = 2\eta_{top}, \quad u(-1) = -2\eta_{bot}, \quad v(\pm 1) = \eta_t, \quad w(\pm 1) = 0.$

Energy

Flow energy+wall kinetic and potential energy:

$$E \triangleq \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{y} \overline{u^{2} + v^{2} + w^{2}} \mathrm{d}y}_{\text{Flow}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\text{bot}}^{\text{top}} \frac{1}{2} \left(m \overline{\eta_{t}^{2}} + \frac{B \Delta_{2D}^{2} + T \Delta_{2D} + K}{Re^{2}} \overline{\eta^{2}} \right)}_{\text{Walls}}_{\text{Walls}}$$

Energy exchange:

$$E_t = -\int_y U_y \overline{uv} dy + \frac{1}{Re} \left[(\overline{u^2 + v^2 + w^2})_y \right]_{\text{bot}}^{\text{top}} - \frac{1}{Re} \int_y \overline{\omega.\omega} dy - \sum_{\text{bot}}^{\text{top}} \frac{d}{Re} \overline{\eta_t^2} .$$
Energy exchange with base flow
Viscous damping

Flow response to random inital conditions





Fluid effect: added mass

sinuous: $m_a^s = (1 - e^{-k})/k$ varicose: $m_a^v = (1 - e^{-k})/k + 1/k^2$



Optimization of the initial conditions

I) Projection on eigenmodes: $\dot{\kappa} = \Lambda \kappa, \quad \mathcal{Q} = U^H Q U = F^H F$

2) Optimality:

$$G(t) = \max_{\kappa_0} \frac{\|\kappa(t)\|_{\mathcal{Q}}}{\|\kappa_0\|_{\mathcal{Q}}} = \max_{\kappa_0} \frac{\|e^{\Lambda t}\kappa_0\|_{\mathcal{Q}}}{\|\kappa_0\|_{\mathcal{Q}}} = \|e^{\Lambda t}\|_{\mathcal{Q}} = \|\underbrace{F^{-1}e^{\Lambda t}F}_{\mathcal{H}}\|_2$$

α =0, stable

Optimization results





Optimization results



Candidate mechanisms



Energy evolution (perturbation to Poiseuille):

$$2E/\epsilon^2 = 2\left(\frac{4}{3} + \frac{K}{Re^2m}\right)\cos(\omega t)^2 + 2\left(\omega^2(m+1)\right)\sin(\omega t)^2$$

Oscillatory energy:

$$G_{k=0}^{s} = 1 + \frac{4}{3} \frac{Re^2}{K}, \quad T_{k=0}^{s} = \frac{\pi Re}{2} \sqrt{\frac{m+1}{K}}$$

Model/computations



$\alpha \neq 0$, instabilities



Modal instability, α/β

With Re=15000



Growth + Modal instability



From the random initial conditions







Fields at time of maximum energy



Extra slides

where we have accounted for the kinetic and potential energy of both walls. The contribution of u' is

$$\int_{y} u'^{2} dy = \int_{y} \left(1 - (y - \eta)^{2}\right)^{2} dy = \frac{16}{15} + \mathcal{O}(\eta^{4})$$

The kinetic energy in u is thus constant in time up to order 4 in the wall displacement. Using $v = \eta_t = \epsilon \omega \sin(\omega t)$ we have

$$2E'(t) = \frac{16}{15} + 2\epsilon^2 \left[\omega^2 (m+1)\sin(\omega t)^2 + \frac{K}{Re^2}\cos(\omega t)^2 \right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4) \text{ Growth}$$

This total energy should be conserved in time, thus the coefficients of the sinus and the cosinus should be equal. This leads to

$$\omega^2 = \frac{K}{Re^2(m+1)}$$

thus the added mass at infinite wavelength is 1 a discussed in §3. Turning now to the energy in the perturbation to the static Poiseuille profile $U = 1 - y^2$, we have

$$\int_{y} u \mathrm{d}y = \epsilon^{2} \cos(\omega t) \int_{y} (2y)^{2} \mathrm{d}y = \frac{8}{3} \epsilon^{2} \cos(\omega t)$$

The energy evolution of the perturbation is thus

$$2E/\epsilon^2 = 2\left(\frac{4}{3} + \frac{K}{Re^2m}\right)\cos(\omega t)^2 + 2\left(\omega^2(m+1)\right)\sin(\omega t)^2$$

which is the radius of an ellipse at an angle ω from its principal axis. Expressing ω as in (3.1), we obtain the energy growth along one fourth of the rotation period

$$G_{k=0}^{s} = 1 + \frac{4}{3} \frac{Re^2}{K}, \quad T_{k=0}^{s} = \frac{\pi Re}{2} \sqrt{\frac{m+1}{K}}$$