

# **Physics of Hydrodynamic Turbulence and Passive Scalar Transfer**

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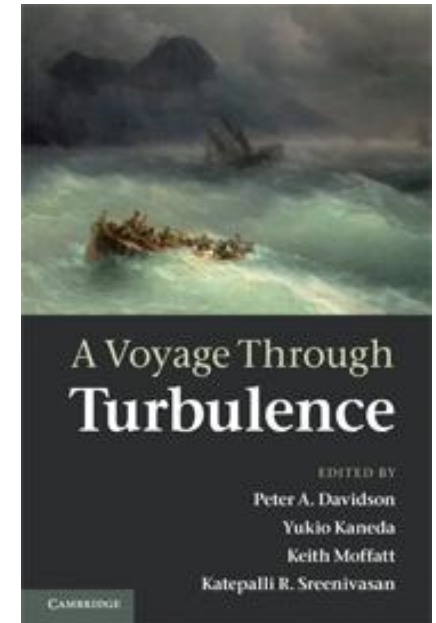
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# *Kolmogorov's turbulence theory (1941)*

## Milestone of turbulence theory

*Prandtl, Onsager, von Weizsaecker, Heisenberg*



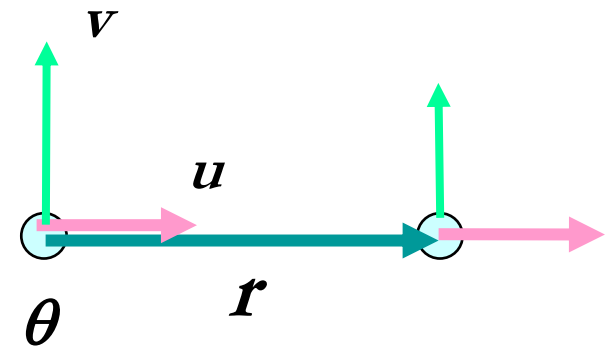
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## *Velocity and scalar increments*

$$U = u(x + r) - u(x)$$

$$V = v(x + r) - v(x)$$

$$\Theta = \theta(x + r) - \theta(x)$$



## *Two hypotheses and dimensional analysis*

1. *At large  $R$  and small  $r$ , turbulent field is locally homogeneous and isotropic, and the probability distribution of  $U$  and  $V$  are uniquely determined by*

$$\overline{\varepsilon} \text{ finite as } \nu \rightarrow 0$$

$$\overline{\varepsilon} \quad \nu \quad \longrightarrow \quad \eta = (\nu^3 / \overline{\varepsilon})^{1/4}$$

*Average energy  
dissipation rate*

*Viscosity*

*Kolmogorov length*

*the smallest scale*

2. *When  $\eta \ll r$ , the probability distribution is independent of the viscosity*

**Inertial Range**       $\eta \ll r \ll L$

**PDF**       $(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{2/3} P(U, V, r) = \bar{P}(U/(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{1/3}, V/(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{1/3})$

*(Probability Density Function)*

**Moment**       $\langle U^p V^q \rangle \propto r^{\zeta_{p,q}}, \quad \zeta_{p,q} = \frac{p+q}{3}$

*Normal scaling*

$$\langle U^2 \rangle = C_2 \bar{\epsilon}^{2/3} r^{2/3}$$

$E(k) = K \bar{\epsilon}^{2/3} k^{-5/3}$       **Kolmogorov's Spectrum**

$$\langle U^3 \rangle = -\frac{4}{5} \bar{\epsilon} r$$

**Kolmogorov's 4/5 Law**  
*(Onsager 1945)*

*(asymptotically exact)*

**Characteristic time**       $\tau_r = \frac{r}{(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{1/3}} = \bar{\epsilon}^{-1/3} r^{2/3}$

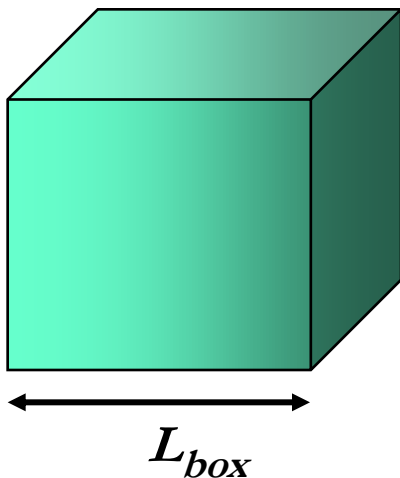
## DNS of HIT ( Homogeneous Isotropic Turbulence ) and passive scalar

*Periodic boundary condition (homogeneity)*

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{|k| \leq K_{max}} u(k, t) e^{ik \cdot x}, \quad u(k, t) = \frac{1}{L_{box}^3} \int_{L_{box}^3} u(x, t) e^{-ik \cdot x} dx$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \nu k^2 \right) u(k, t) = M(k) : \sum_{k=p+q} u(p, t) u(q, t) + f(k, t)$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \nu k^2 \right) \theta(k, t) = ik \cdot \sum_{k=p+q} u(p, t) \theta(q, t) + f_{\theta}(k, t)$$



$$M_{lmn}(k) = \frac{i}{2} (k_m P_{ln}(k) + k_n P_{lm}(k)),$$

$$P_{ij}(k) = \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2}$$

*Exact sol. of Poisson eq. for pressure*

*High accuracy*

*Efficient use of computer resources in spatial resolution*

*HIT DNS*

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1024

512

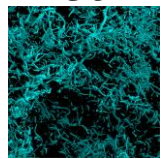
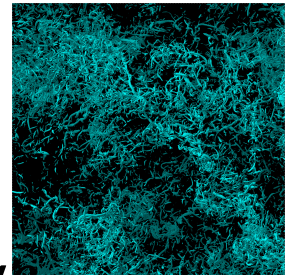
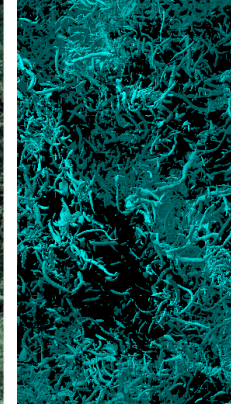
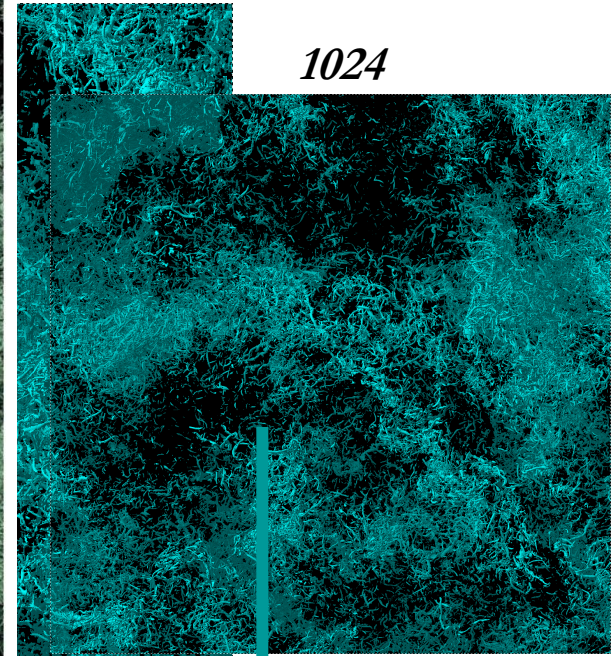
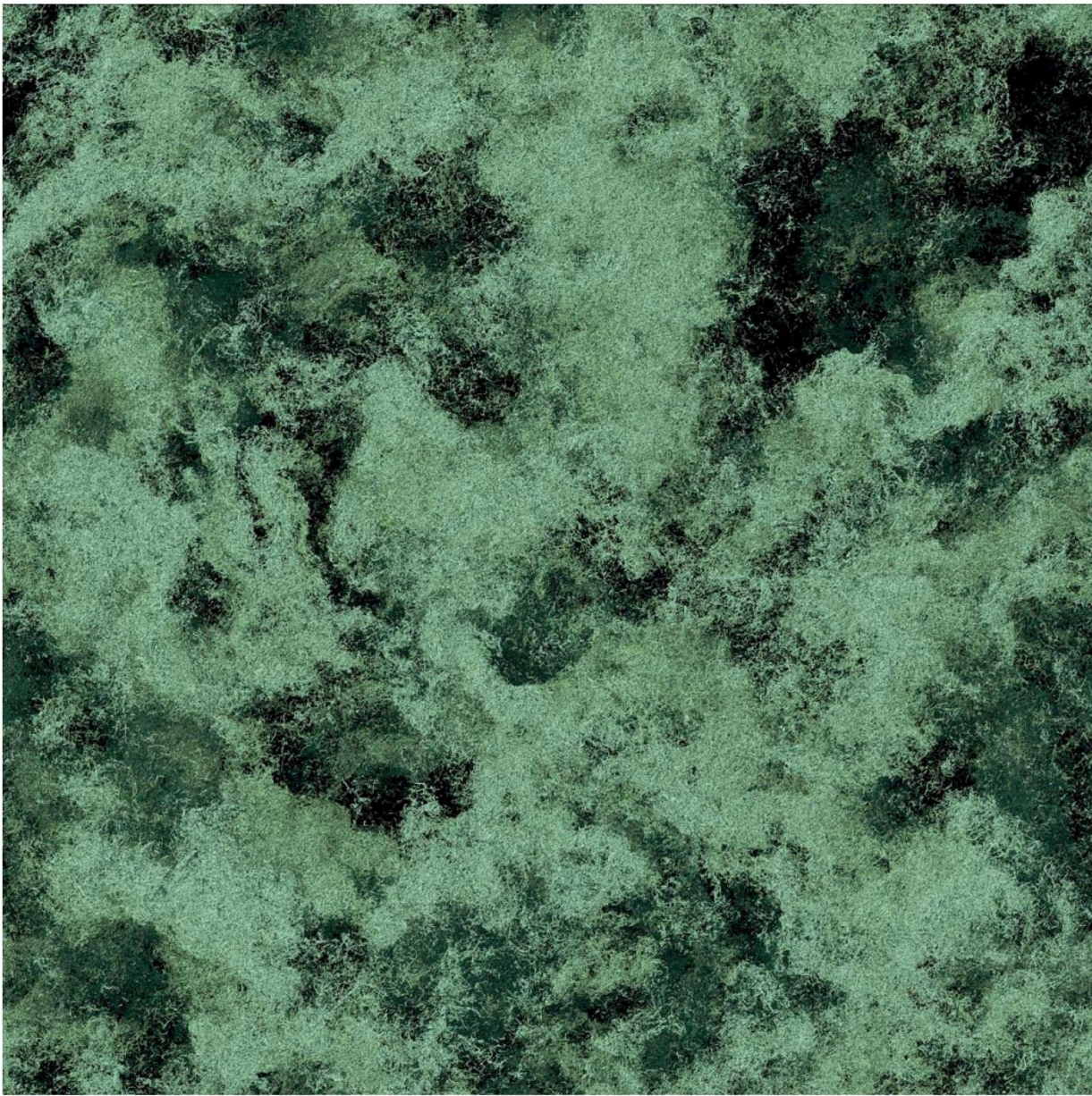
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$\lambda$

$10\eta$

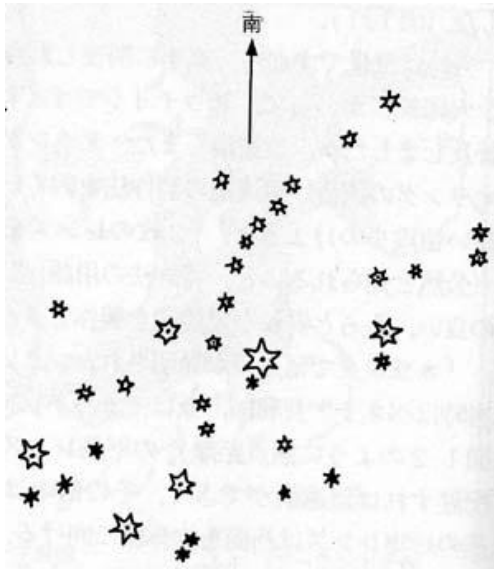
$4\sigma$

$\alpha$  (*JOT*, 2005)



$L$   
 $10\lambda$   
 $100\eta$

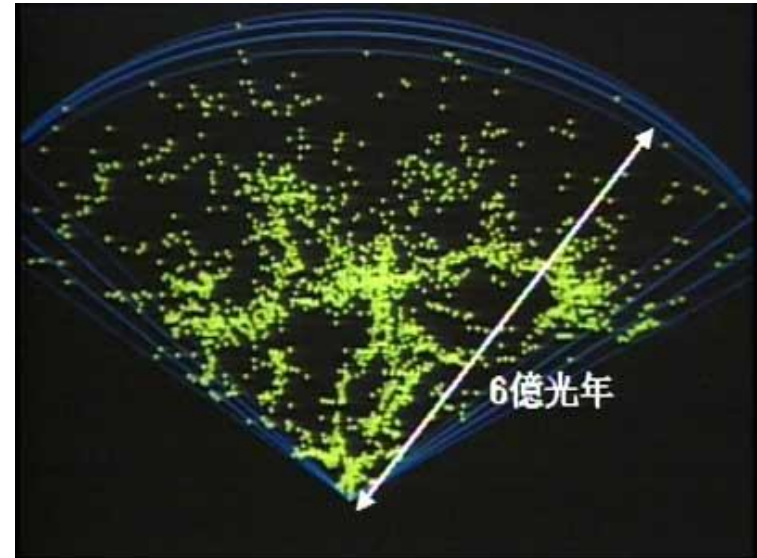
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Sketch of Pleiades cluster  
by Galileo (1610)



Galileo's telescope (1610)



Great wall in the universe  
de Lapparent et al. (1986)

<http://www.nhk.or.jp/school/junior/yougo26.html#010>



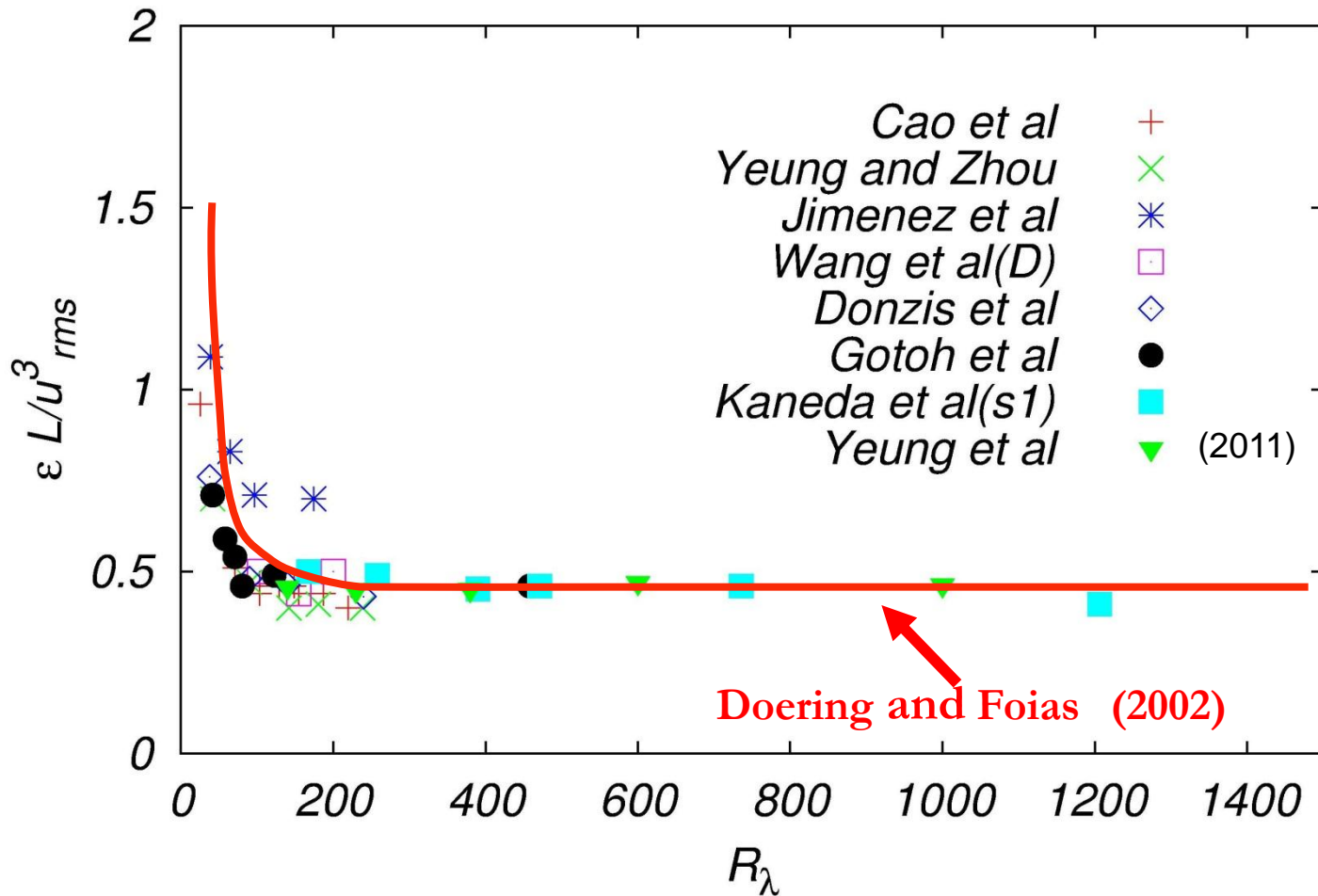
Subaru Telescope (1999)

# Normalized Energy Dissipation

$$\beta = \frac{\varepsilon L}{u_{rms}^3}$$

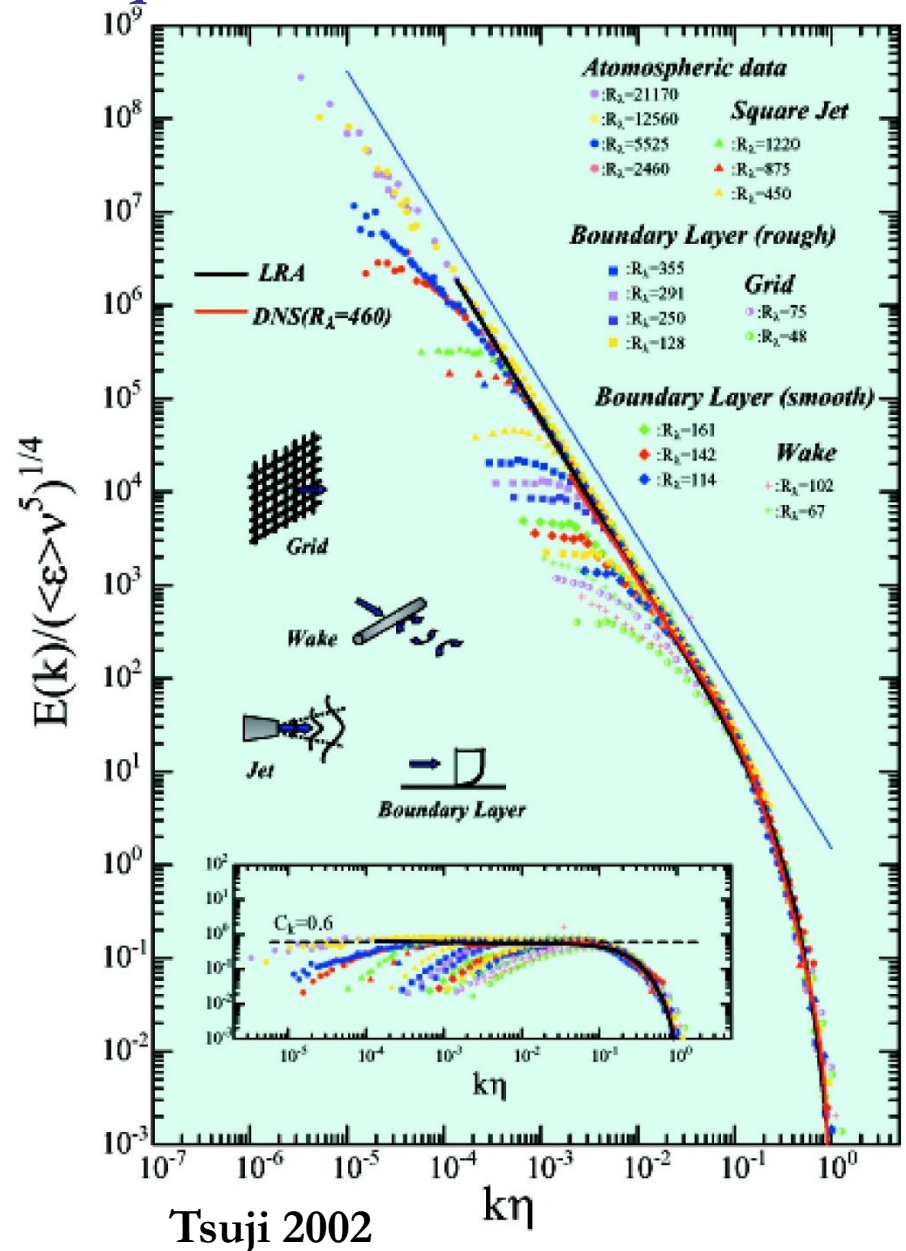
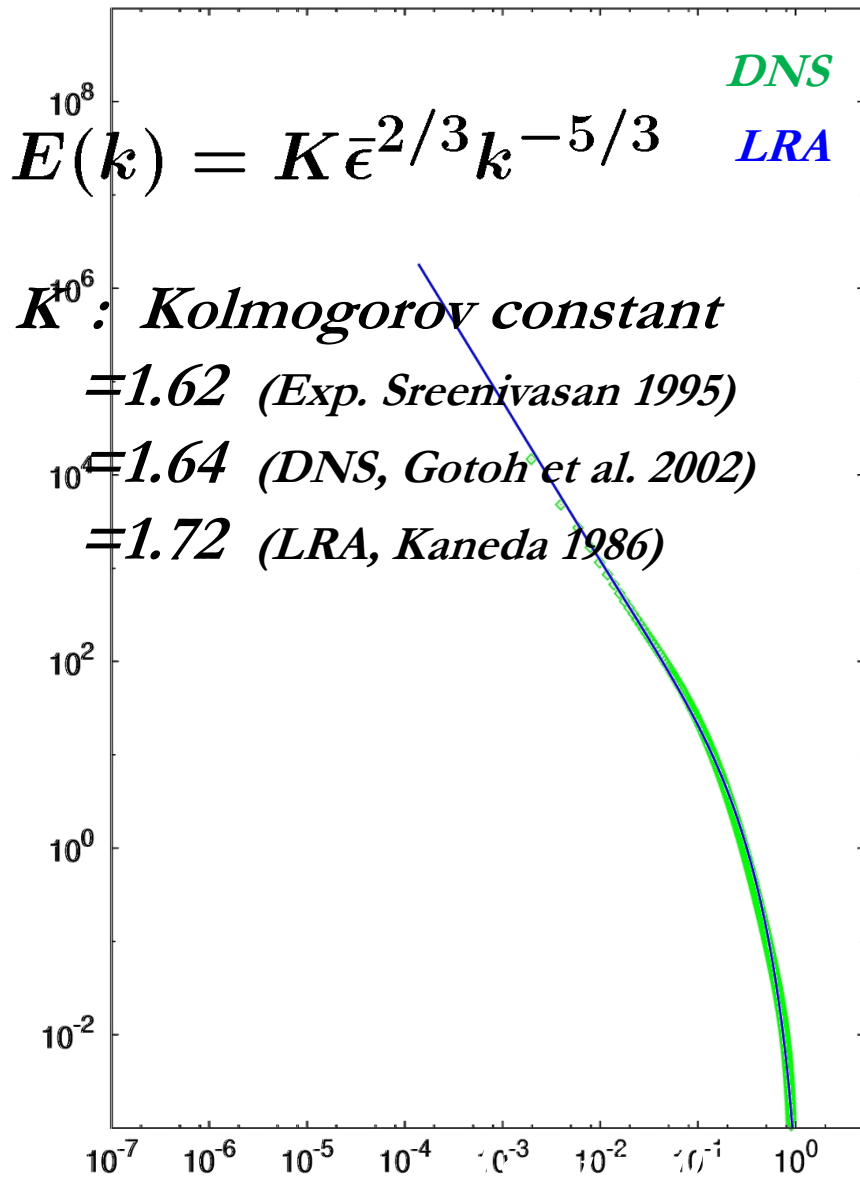
$$\beta \leq a \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 + (b/R_\lambda)^2} \right), \quad a = 0.2, \quad b = 90$$

*Doering and Foias (2002)* *Donzis et al. (2005)*





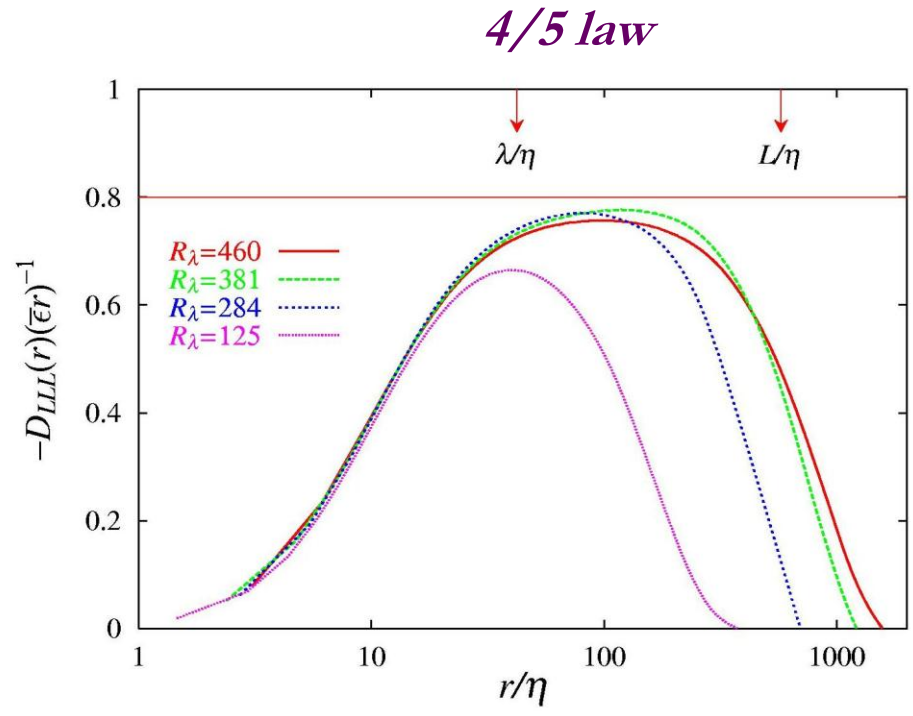
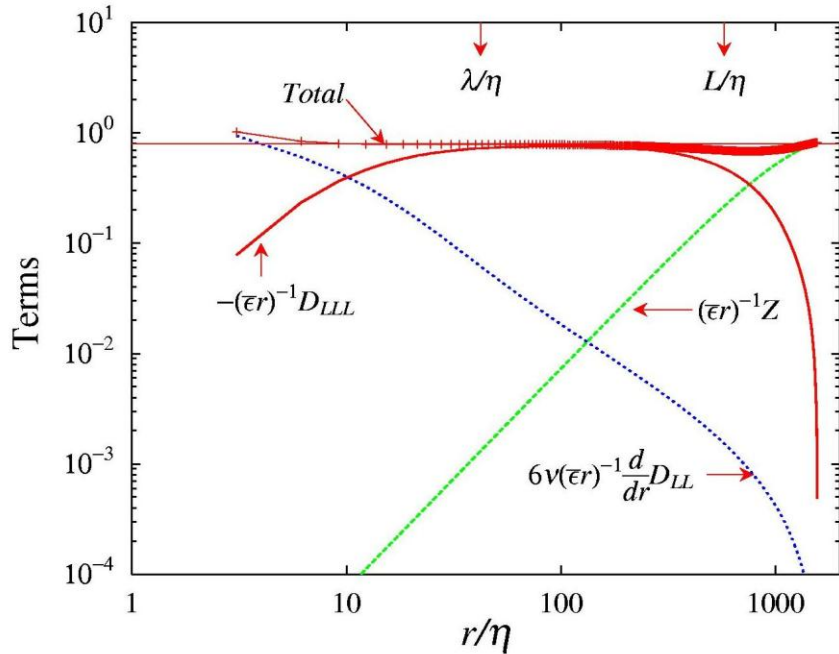
# Kolmogorov Spectrum



# Energy budget in scale

$$D_{LL}(r) = \langle U^2 \rangle \quad D_{LLL}(r) = \langle U^3 \rangle$$

*KHK equation*  $\frac{4}{5} \bar{\epsilon} r = -D_{LLL} + 6\nu \frac{dD_{LL}}{dr} + Z_{force}(r)$



(Gotoh et al. 2002)

- *KHK equation is satisfied*
- *Slow approach to 4/5 law with increase of  $R_\lambda$*

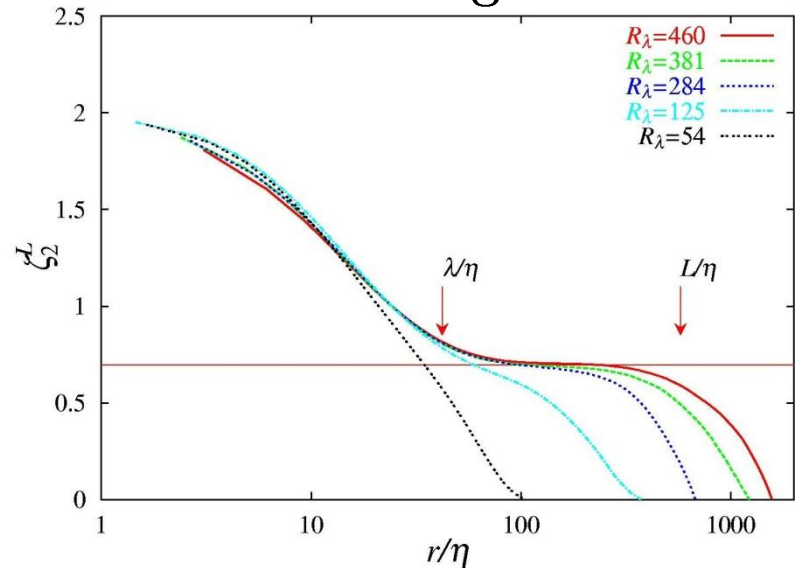
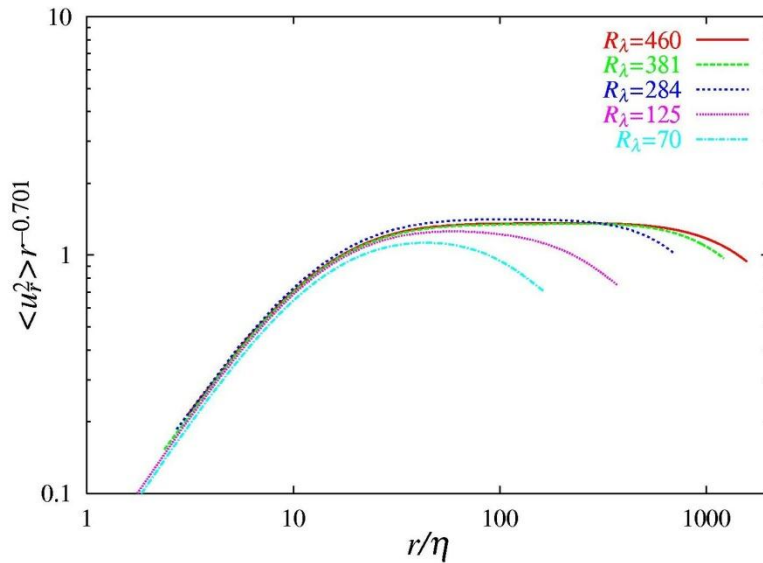
# Intermittency

deviation from Kolmogorov (K41) theory

## Structure functions of velocity increments

$$r^{-0.701} \langle U^2 \rangle$$

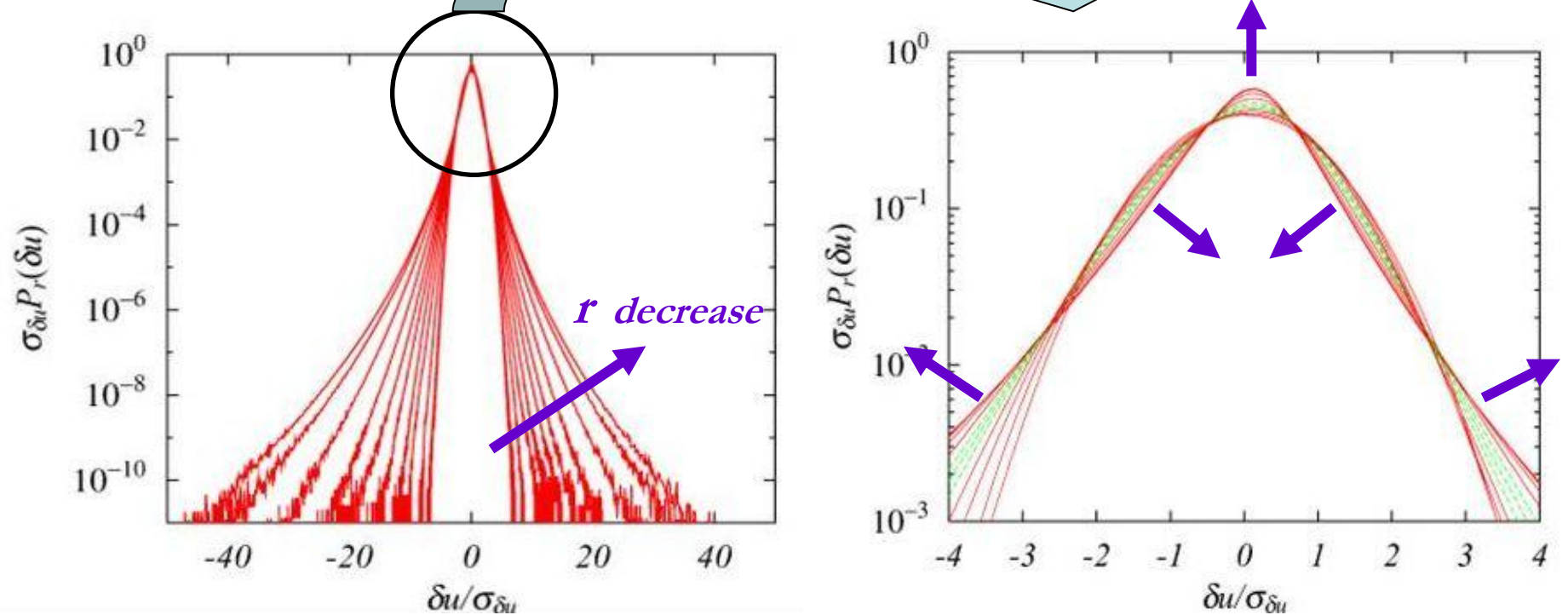
$$\frac{d \log \langle U^2 \rangle}{d \log r}$$



**Kolmogorov (K41)**      $\langle U^2 \rangle \propto r^{2/3}, \quad 2/3 \doteq 0.6667$

*DNS (Gotoh et al. 2002)*

## PDF of longitudinal velocity increment

 $N=2048^3$     $R_\lambda=585$ 


In Kolmogorov Theory

$$(\bar{\epsilon} r)^{2/3} P(U, r) = \bar{P}(U / (\bar{\epsilon} r)^{1/3})$$

$$\eta \ll r \ll L$$

# Intermittency

Statistical law changes with scale !

- What is the law of change of PDF with scale?
- How are PDFs predicted from Navier Stokes eq.
- Does the universality exist? If so, where?

What is the statistics of passive scalar?

# Universality of passive scalar fluctuations at small scales in homogeneous turbulence

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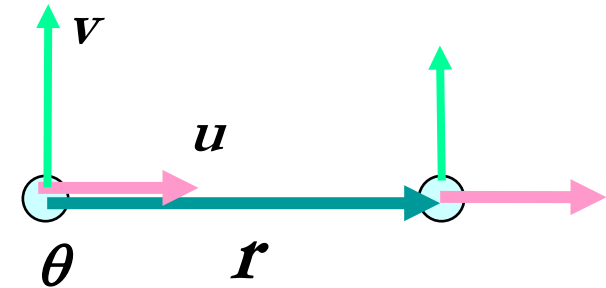
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## Kolmogorov theory for turbulence

### Obukhov-Corrsin theory for passive scalar

Velocity and scalar increments



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$$\Theta = \theta(x + r) - \theta(x)$$

Inertial Range

$$\eta \ll r \ll L$$

$$Sc=1$$

PDF

$$(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{2/3} P(U, V, r) = \bar{P}(U/(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{1/3}, V/(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{1/3})$$

$$\bar{\chi}^{1/2} \bar{\epsilon}^{-1/6} r^{2/3} Q(U, \Theta, r) = \bar{Q}\left(U/(\bar{\epsilon}r)^{1/3}, \Theta/(\bar{\chi}^{1/2} \bar{\epsilon}^{-1/6} r^{1/3})\right)$$

Moment

$$\langle U^p V^q \rangle \propto r^{\zeta_{p,q}}, \quad \langle U^3 \rangle = -\frac{4}{5} \bar{\epsilon} r, \quad \zeta_{p,q} = \frac{p+q}{3}$$

$$\langle \Theta^p U^q \rangle \propto r^{\xi_{p,q}}, \quad \langle U \Theta^2 \rangle = -\frac{4}{3} \bar{\chi} r, \quad \xi_{p,q} = \frac{p+q}{3}$$

Scaling exponents are universal ....

## Is scalar scaling exponent universal ?

### Object

to examine the scaling exponents  $\zeta_q^\theta$  for different scalar injection

### DNS of passive scalar turbulence

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \cdot \nabla u = -\nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 u + f, \quad \nabla \cdot u = 0, \quad \rho = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} + u \cdot \nabla \theta = \kappa \nabla^2 \theta + f_\theta$$

### Velocity: Homogeneous Isotropic Steady

External force: isotropic, Gaussian, white in time, low k band  $1 \leq |\mathbf{k}| \leq 2$

### Scalar : Homogeneous Steady

#### scalar injection:

Case **R** : isotropic, Gaussian, white in time, low k band  $1 \leq |\mathbf{k}| \leq 2$

Case **G** : uniform mean scalar gradient  $f_\theta = -\Gamma u_3$

Wide range, Anisotropic, Intermittent



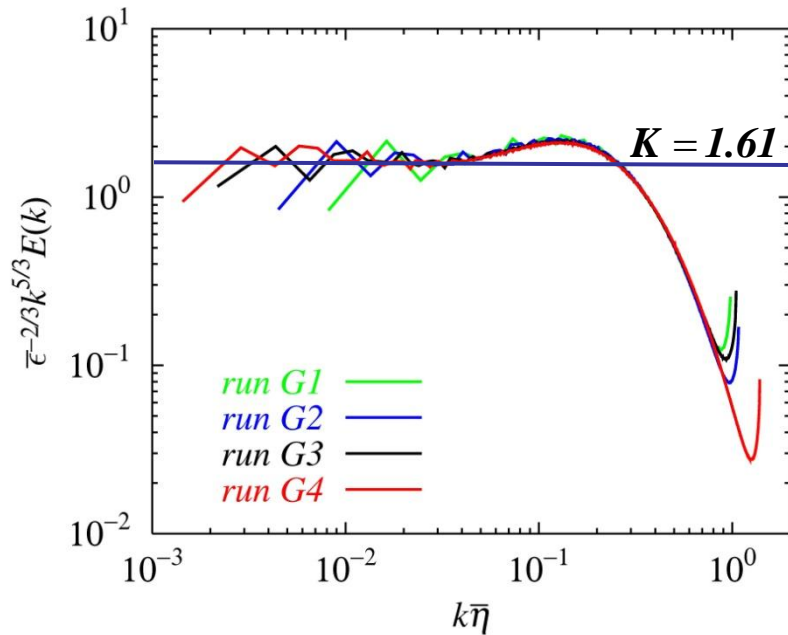
**DNS parameters**

**Case R**  $\Gamma=0$   $S_c = \nu/\kappa = 1$

**Case G**  $\Gamma=1$   $S_c = \nu/\kappa = 1$

Run	G1	G2	G3	G4	R1
$N^3$	$256^3$	$512^3$	$1024^3$	$2048^3$	$2048^3$
$R_\lambda$	174	263	468	586	688
$\nu(\times 10^{-3})$	1.3	0.60	0.24	0.13	0.13
$K_{max}\bar{\eta}$	0.99	1.09	1.05	1.39	1.36
$u'/LT_{av}$	27.1	5.62	3.97	2.29	2.75

Spectrum (isotropic sector)



Isotropic sector

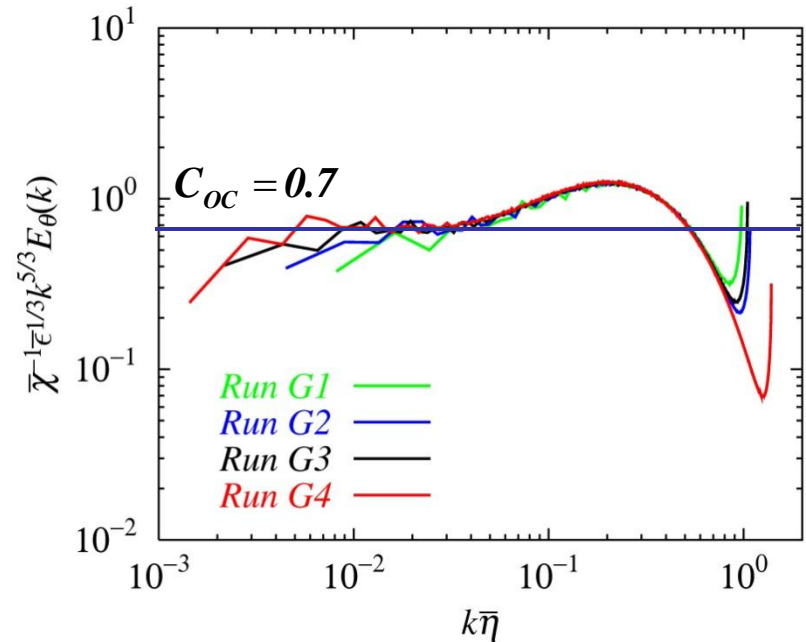
$$E_{\theta}(k) = C_{OC} \bar{\chi} \bar{\epsilon}^{-1/3} k^{-5/3}$$

Present  $C_{OC}^{1D} = 0.42$

Experiment  $C_{OC}^{1D} = 0.45 \sim 0.55$  Mydlarski & Warhart (1998)  
 $C_{OC}^{1D} = 0.4$  Sreenivasan (1996)

DNS  $C_{OC} = 0.87$  Wang et al. (1999)  $C_{OC}^{1D} = 0.4$  Yeung et al. (2002)

Case G



Obukhov-Corrsin constant

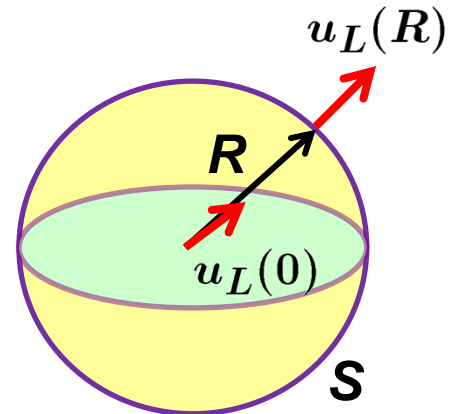
$$C_{OC} = 0.42 \times 5/3 = 0.7 \quad (\text{Case G W\&G2007})$$

$$C_{OC} = 0.68 \pm 0.04 \quad (\text{Case R W\&G 2004})$$

For  $R$  in the inertial convective or viscous convective range

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{r \leq R} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \langle \delta u_j(r, t) (\delta \theta(r, t))^2 \rangle dr &= 4\pi R^2 \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \int_{r=R} \langle \delta u_j(r, t) (\delta \theta(r, t))^2 \rangle \frac{r_j}{r} dS \\ &= 4\pi R^2 \langle \delta u_L(R, t) (\delta \theta(R, t))^2 \rangle_{sp} \\ &= -4\bar{\chi} \frac{4\pi R^3}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Spherical average  $\langle A \rangle_{sp} \equiv \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \int_{r=R} A(r) dS$



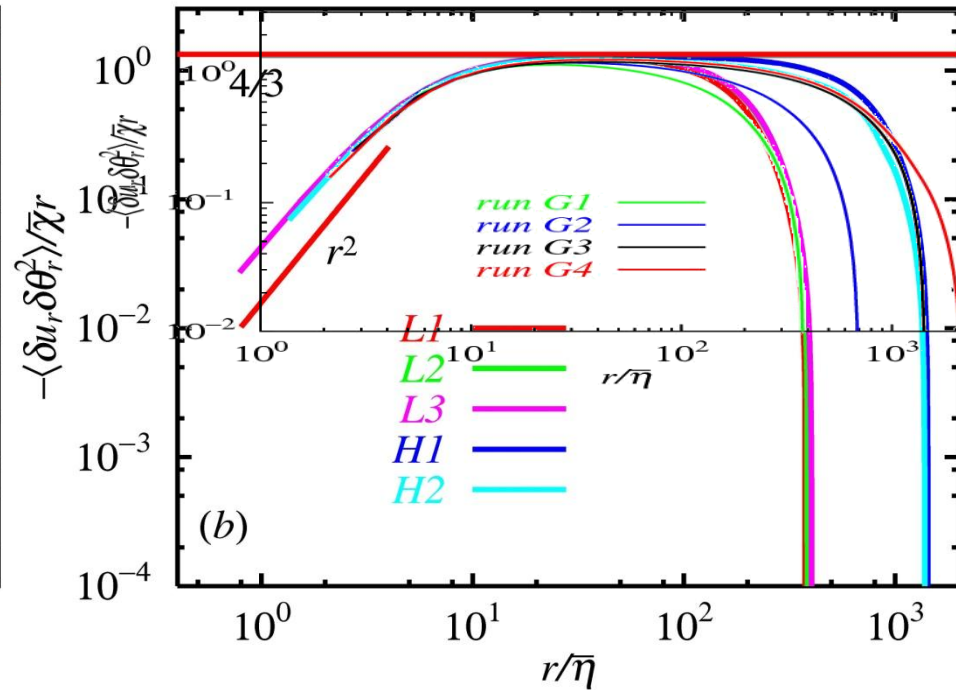
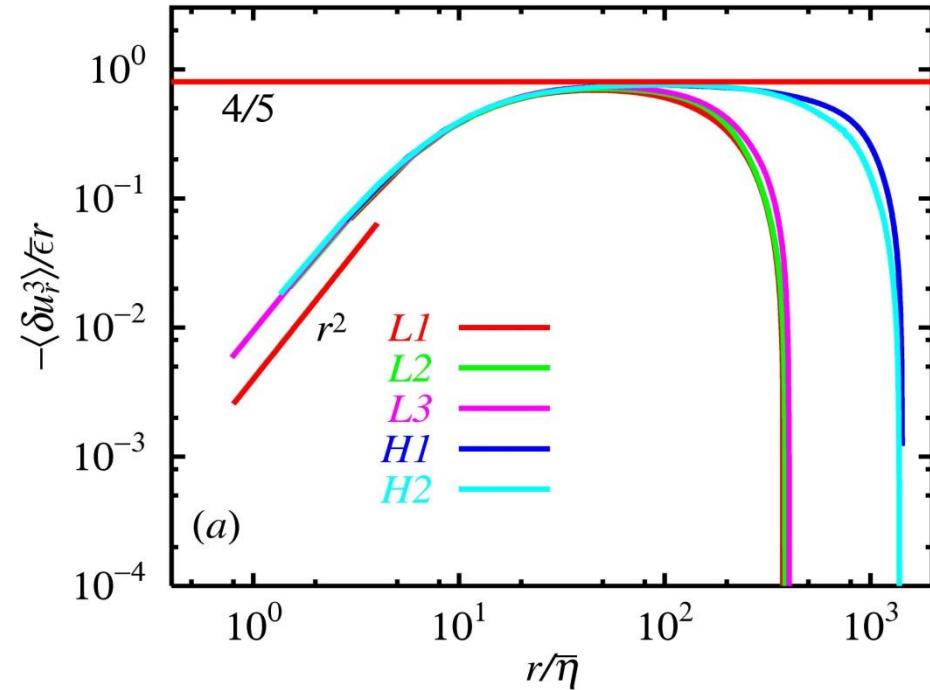
$$\langle \delta u_L(R, t) (\delta \theta(R, t))^2 \rangle_{sp} = -\frac{4}{3} \bar{\chi} R$$

4/3 law holds for the spherical average

4/5 and 4/3 laws

$$-\frac{\langle (\delta u_r)^3 \rangle}{\bar{\epsilon} r} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Case R (isotropic random source)

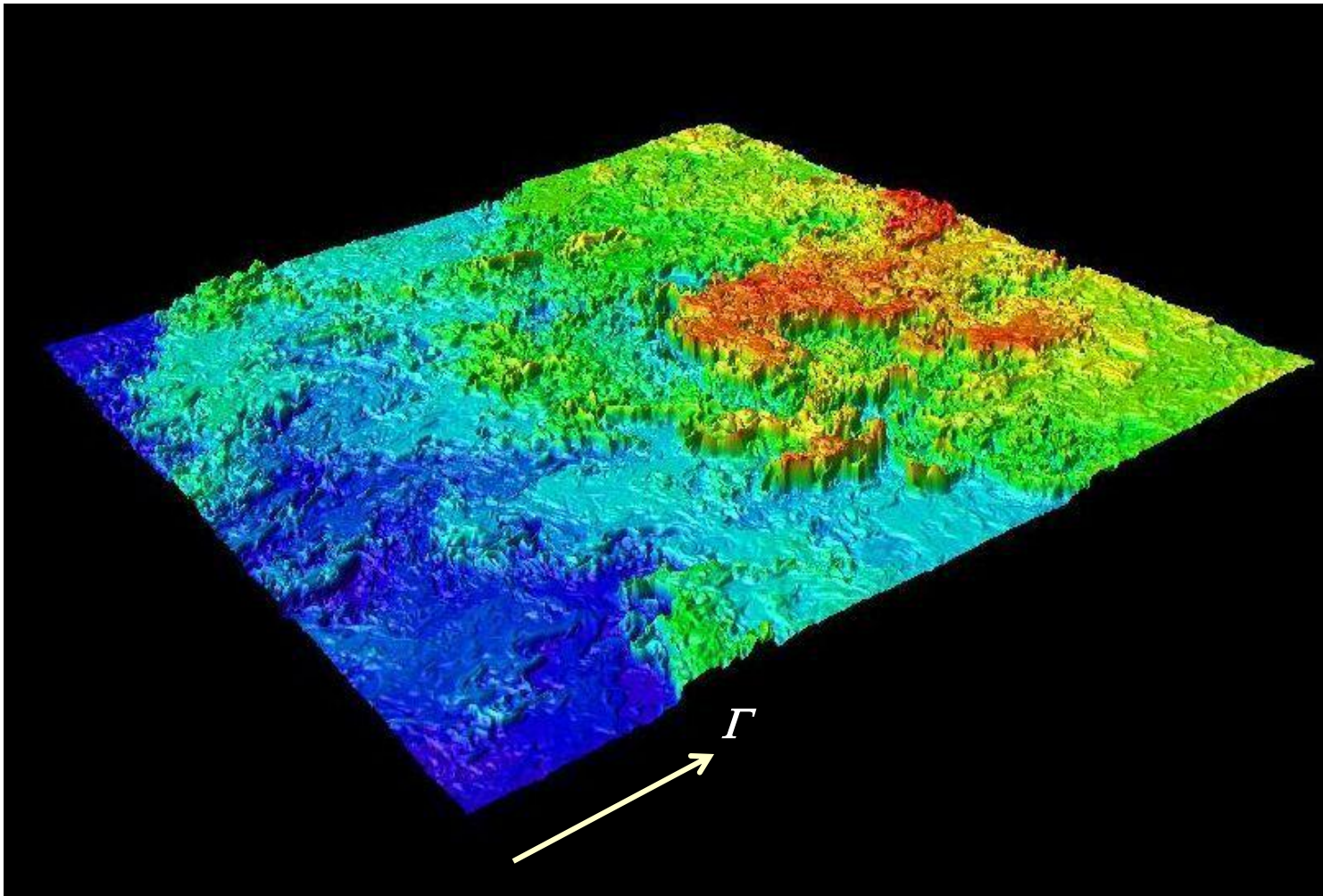


$$\delta u_r = u(\mathbf{x} + r\mathbf{e}_x) - u(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\delta \theta_r = \theta(\mathbf{x} + r\mathbf{e}_x) - \theta(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\Pi_\theta(k) = -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{\sin(kr)}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_l} \left( \frac{r_l}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \langle \delta u_j(r) (\delta \theta(r))^2 \rangle \right) dr = \bar{\chi}$$

$$T = \langle T \rangle + \theta = \Gamma z + \theta$$

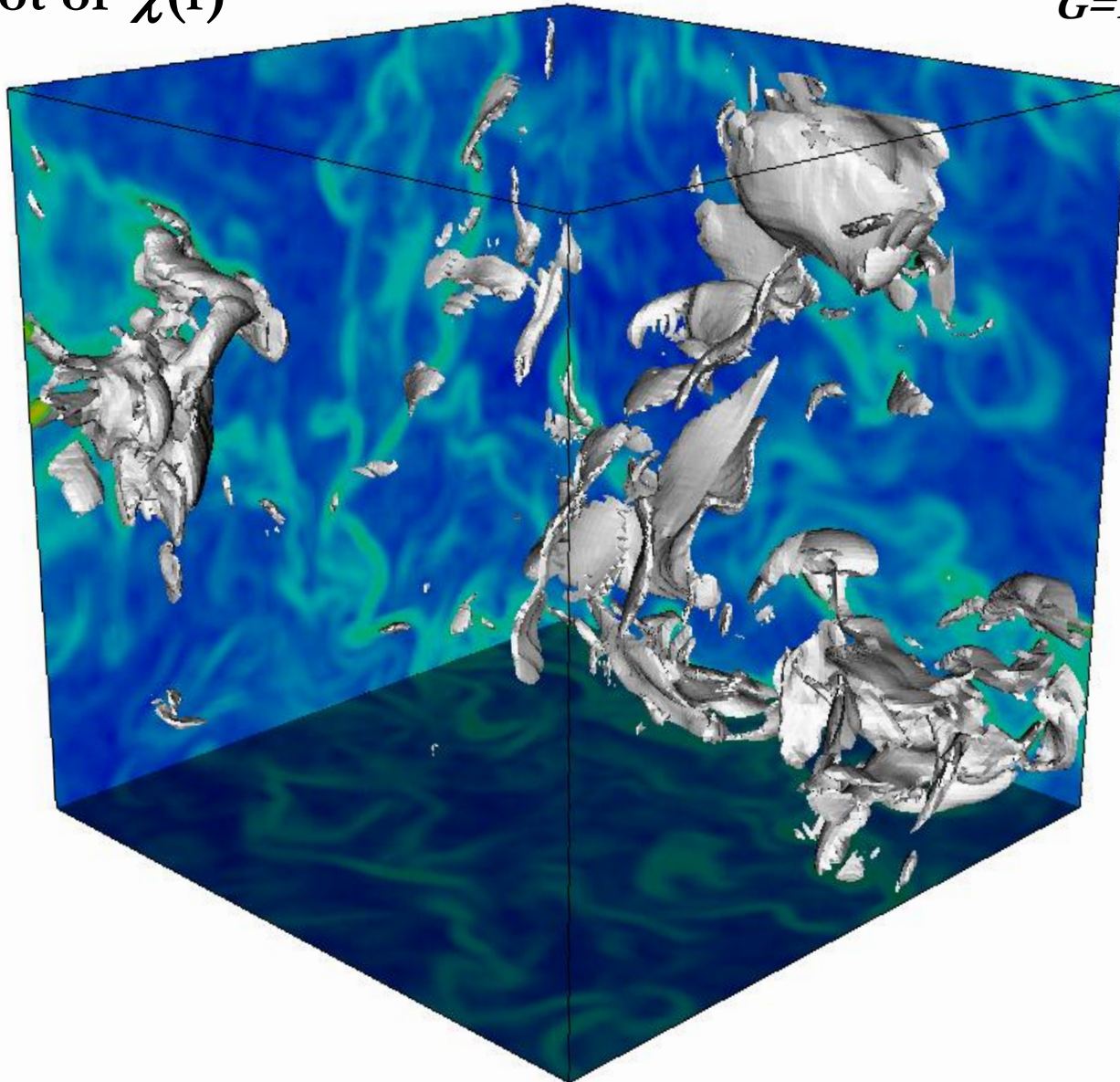


$$R_\lambda = 468, Sc = 1, N = 1024^3$$

Gotoh and Watanabe (Physica D 2010)

3D plot of  $\chi(r)$

$G=1$



## Scaling exponents of structure functions

In the inertial convective range

$$\bar{\eta} \ll r \ll L$$

$$S_q^L(r) = \langle (\delta u(r))^q \rangle \propto r^{\zeta_q^L},$$

$$\delta u(r) = (u(x+r) - u(x)) \cdot r/r$$

$$S_q^T(r) = \langle (\delta v(r))^q \rangle \propto r^{\zeta_q^T},$$

$$\delta u(r) = (u(x+r) - u(x)) \cdot (I - rr/r)$$

$$S_q^\theta(r) = \langle (\delta \theta(r))^q \rangle \propto r^{\zeta_q^\theta},$$

$$\delta \theta(r) = \theta(x+r) - \theta(x)$$

$$S_q^{\theta L}(r) = \langle (\delta u(r) \delta \theta(r)^2)^q \rangle \propto r^{\zeta_q^{\theta L}}$$

Local scaling exponent

$$\zeta_q^\alpha(r) = \frac{d \ln S_q^\alpha(r)}{d \ln r}, \quad \alpha = L, T, \theta, \theta L$$

## Anisotropy

## Case G

Scalar injection statistics

$$f_{\theta}(x, t) = -\Gamma u_3(x, t)$$

axisymmetric reflection invariant wide range intermittent

$$\langle f_{\theta}(x, t) \rangle = 0$$

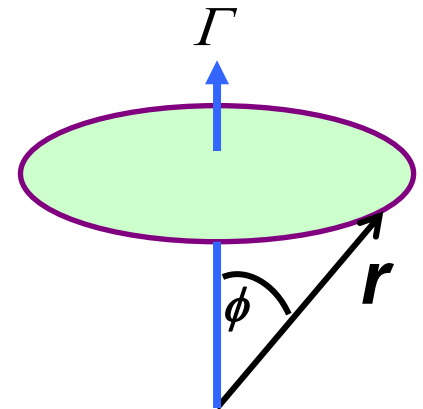
$$\begin{aligned} \langle f_{\theta}(x+r, t) f_{\theta}(x, t) \rangle &= \Gamma^2 \langle u_3(x+r, t) u_3(x, t) \rangle \\ &= \Gamma^2 u'^2 \left( \frac{1}{3r^2} \frac{d}{dr} (r^3 f) - \frac{r}{3} \frac{df(r)}{dr} P_2(\cos \phi) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Scalar statistics

axisymmetric reflection invariant

$$\begin{aligned} S_{2q}(r, \phi) &= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} S_{2q}^{(2l)}(r) P_{2l}(\cos \phi) \\ &= \underline{S_{2q}^{(0)}(r)} + S_{2q}^{(2)}(r) P_2(\cos \phi) + S_{2q}^{(4)}(r) P_4(\cos \phi) \cdots \end{aligned}$$

Isotropic sector

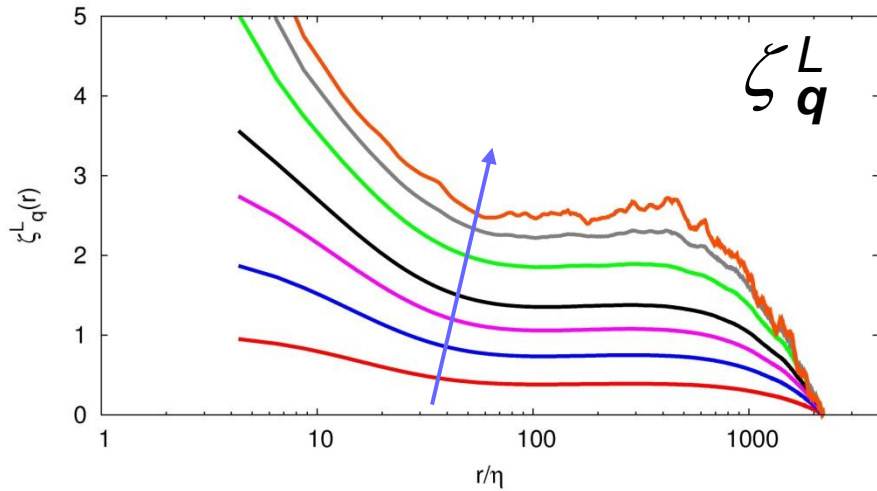




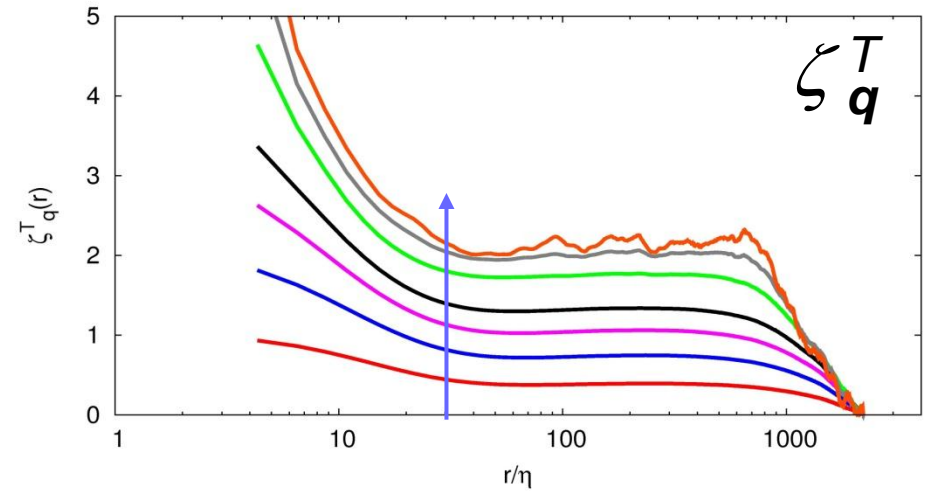
Local scaling exponents

$q=1,2,3,4,6,8,10$

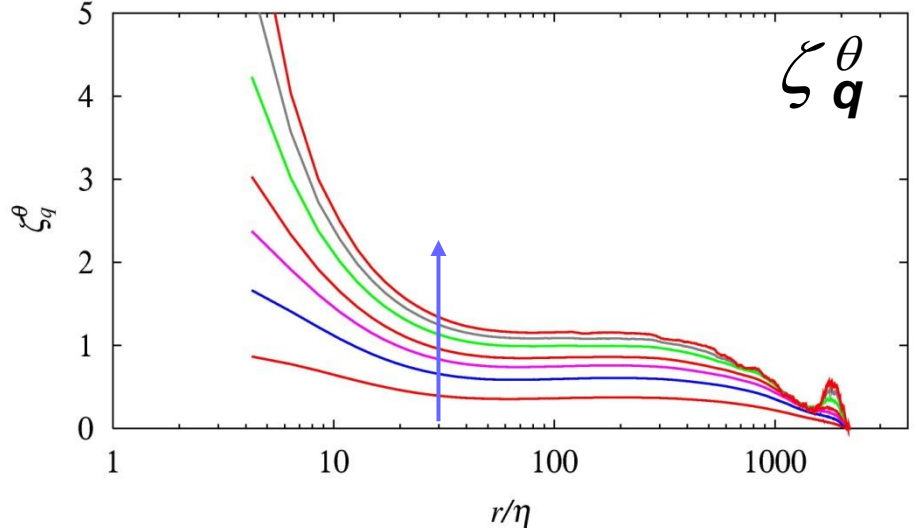
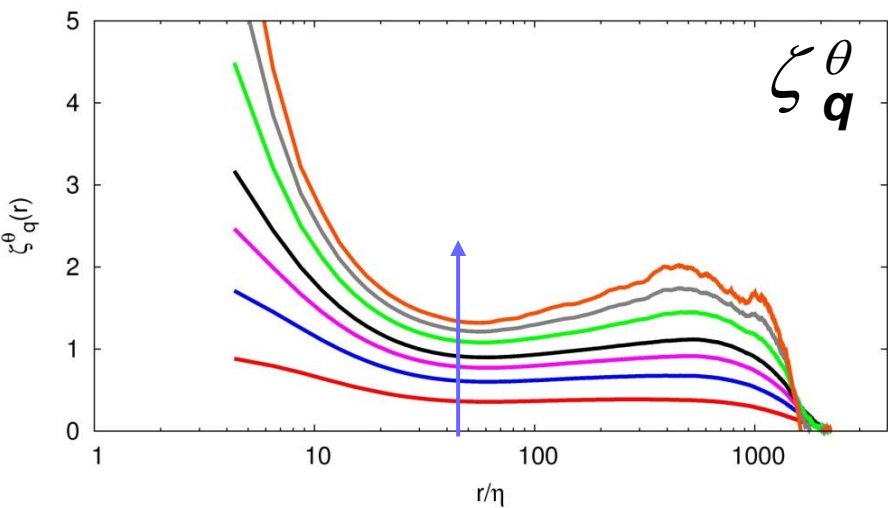
$R_\lambda = 688$   $Sc=1$



Case R



Case G



**Observation**

Case G curves are lowest and tend to saturate

Crossover length

$L$ : increase with  $q$

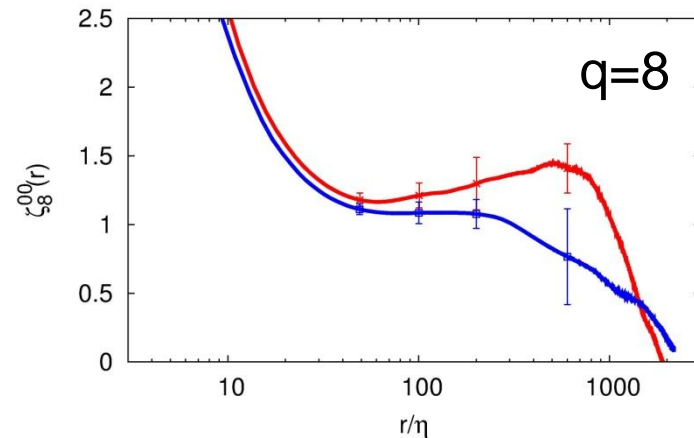
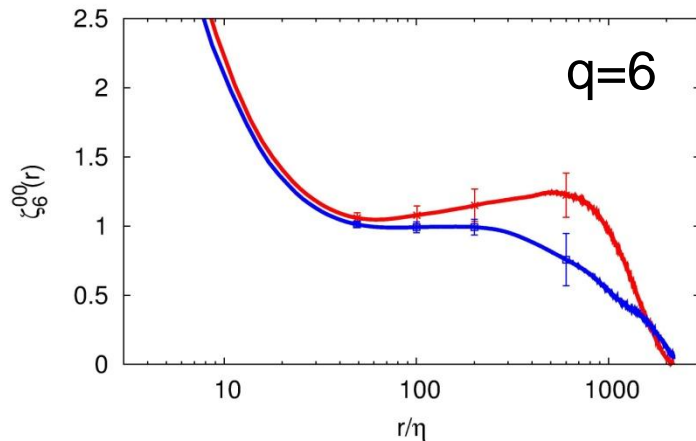
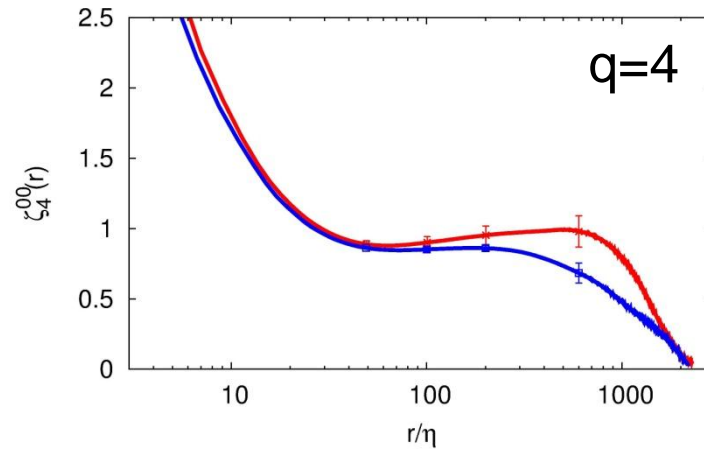
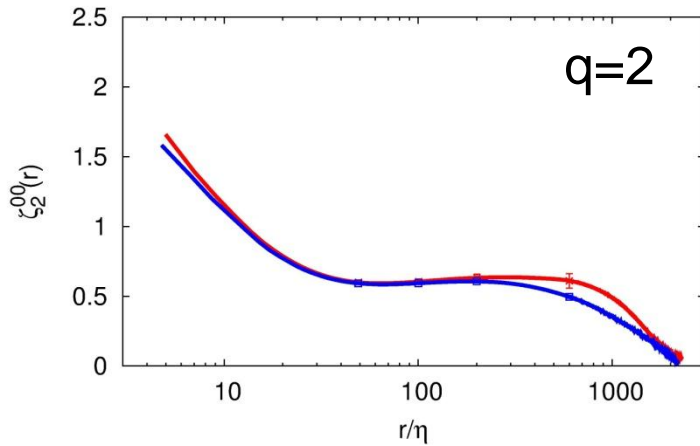
$T, q$ : unchange

## Local scaling exponents

$$R_\lambda = 688 \quad Sc = 1$$

— Case R

— Case G (isotropic sector)



Local scaling exponents in the inertial –convective range are not equal at high order !

## Summary

### *Small scale fluctuations*

- Anisotropy in the scalar field in case G (uniform gradient) is weak and mostly from  $l=2$  sector
- Intermittency in case G is stronger than in case R

### *Universality of scalar scaling exponents*

- 1: There is no universality of the scaling exponents of high order structure function
- 2: The Reynolds number is too low to observe the asymptotic scaling exponents

## Eddy damping, Vertex correction, and Langevin modeling for homogeneous isotropic turbulence

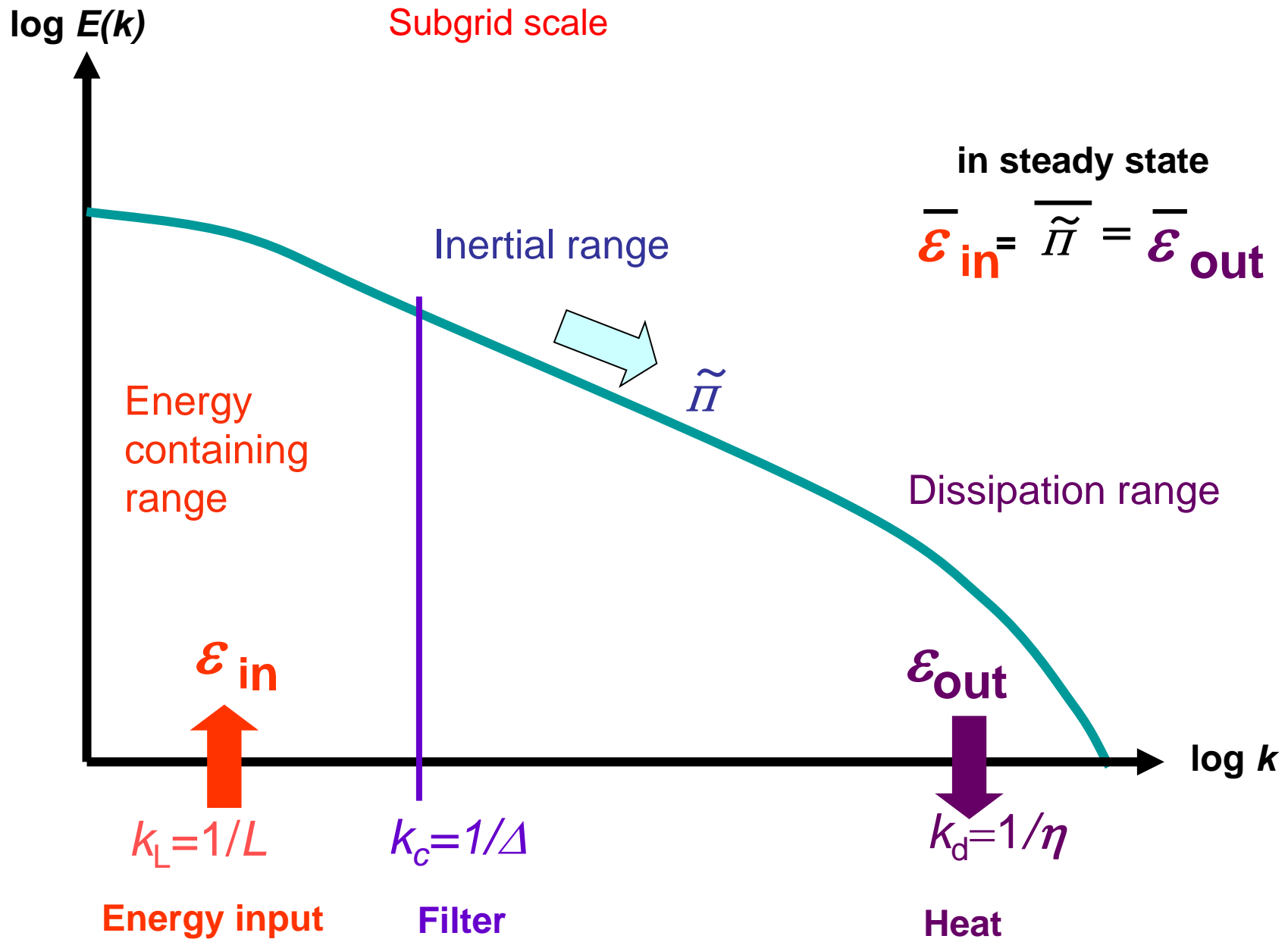
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## Navier-Stokes Eq.

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \nu k^2\right) u(k, t) = M(k) : \sum_{k=p+q} u(p, t)u(q, t) \equiv N(k, t)$$

## Filtering

$$\begin{aligned} u(k, t) &= \mathcal{P}(k)u(k, t) + (1 - \mathcal{P}(k))u(k, t) & \mathcal{P}(k) &= H(k_c - |k|) \\ &= u^<(k, t) + u^>(k, t) \end{aligned}$$

## Equation of GS field

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \nu k^2\right) u^<(k, t) = N^<(k, t) + S^<(k, t)$$

$$N^<(k, t) = \mathcal{P}(k) \sum M(k) : u^<(p, t)u^<(q, t),$$

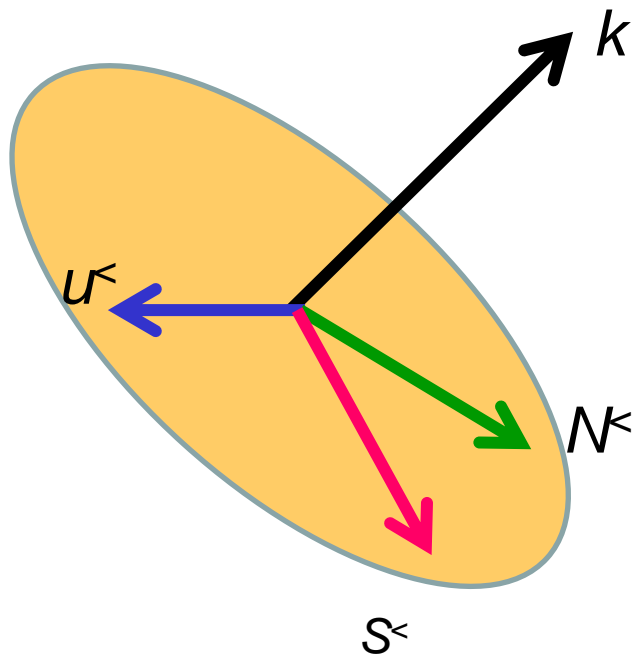
$$S^<(k, t) = \mathcal{P}(k)N(k, t) - N^<(k, t) \quad \text{SGS contributions}$$

## Statistical projection

$$S^<(k, t) = \underbrace{C_1(k, t)u^<(k, t)}_{\text{Correlated with } u^< \text{ and } N^<} + \underbrace{C_2(k, t)N^<(k, t)}_{\text{Correlated with } u^< \text{ and } N^<} + \underbrace{R^<(k, t)}_{\text{Uncorrelated part}}$$

Correlated with  $u^<$  and  $N^<$ 

Uncorrelated part



Assumption

 $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are scalar functions of  $|k|$ 

Kraichnan(1976)

Domaradzki et al. (1987)

Chasnov (1991)

Metais &amp; Lesieur (1992)

Langford &amp; Moser (1999,2004)

## Statistical projection

Eddy damping

Vertex correction

$$S^<(k, t) = \underline{C_1(k, t)u^<(k, t)} + \underline{C_2(k, t)N^<(k, t)} + \underline{R^<(k, t)}$$

Correlated with  $u^<$  and  $N^<$ 

Uncorrelated part

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle u^<(k, t) \cdot u^<(-k, t) \rangle & \langle N^<(k, t) \cdot u^<(-k, t) \rangle \\ \langle u^<(k, t) \cdot N^<(-k, t) \rangle & \langle N^<(k, t) \cdot N^<(-k, t) \rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_1(k, t) \\ C_2(k, t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle S^<(k, t) \cdot u^<(-k, t) \rangle \\ \langle S^<(k, t) \cdot N^<(-k, t) \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} C_1(k, t) \\ C_2(k, t) \end{pmatrix} = J^{-1}(k, t) \begin{pmatrix} K(k, t) & -H(k, t) \\ -H(k, t) & Q(k, t) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D(k, t) \\ F(k, t) \end{pmatrix}$$

where

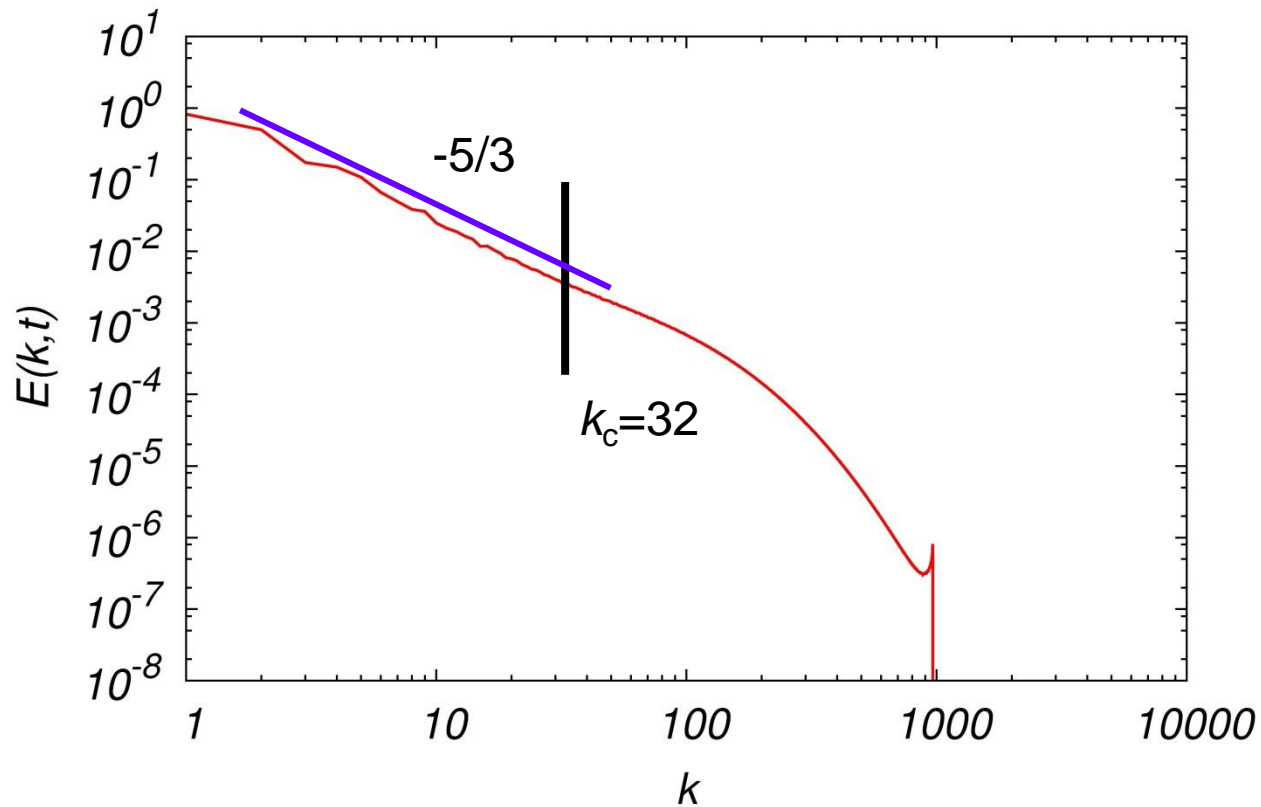
$$\begin{aligned} J(k, t) &= Q(k, t)K(k, t) - H(k, t)^2, & Q(k, t) &= \langle u^<(k, t) \cdot u^<(-k, t) \rangle \\ H(k, t) &= \langle N^<(k, t) \cdot u^<(-k, t) \rangle, & K(k, t) &= \langle N^<(k, t) \cdot N^<(-k, t) \rangle \\ D(k, t) &= \langle S^<(k, t) \cdot u^<(-k, t) \rangle, & F(k, t) &= \langle S^<(k, t) \cdot N^<(-k, t) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

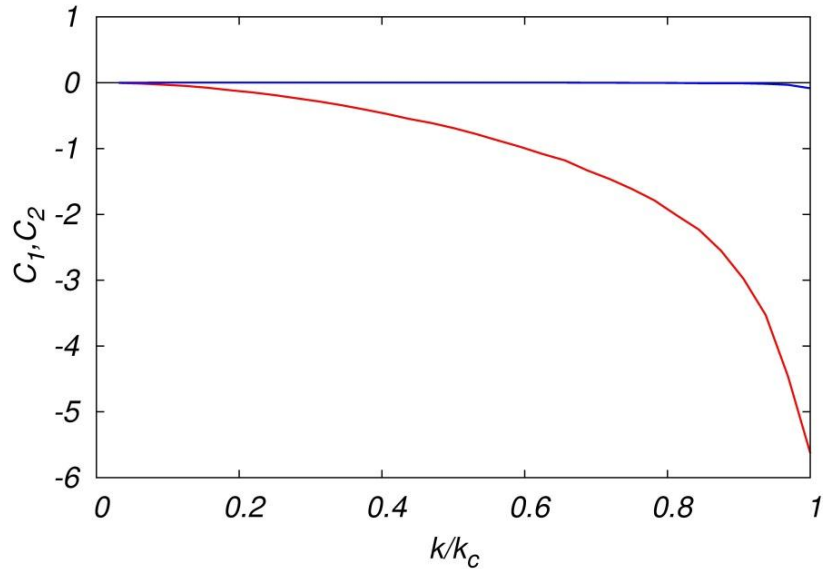
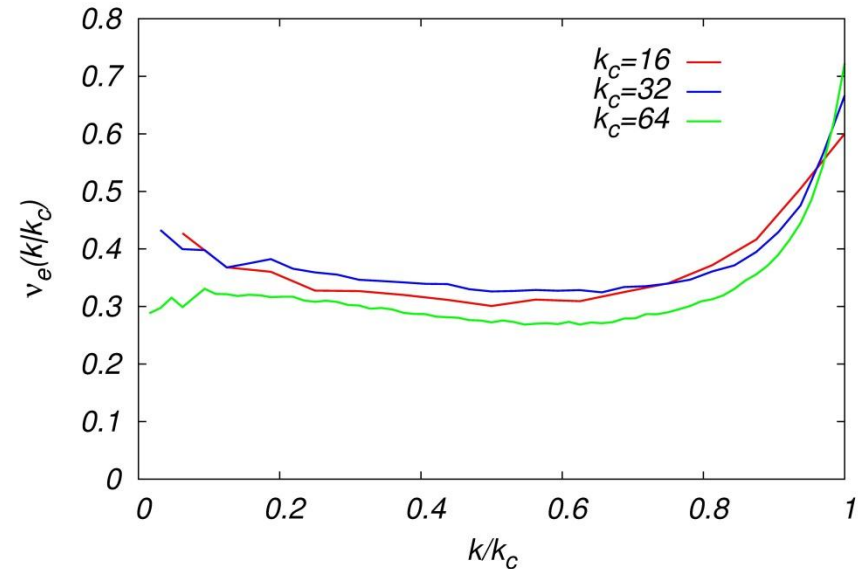


## DNS of steady turbulence

$$N = 2048^3, R_\lambda \approx 690, k_0 = 1, T_{av} = 1.8T_{eddy}, k_c = 16, 32, 64$$

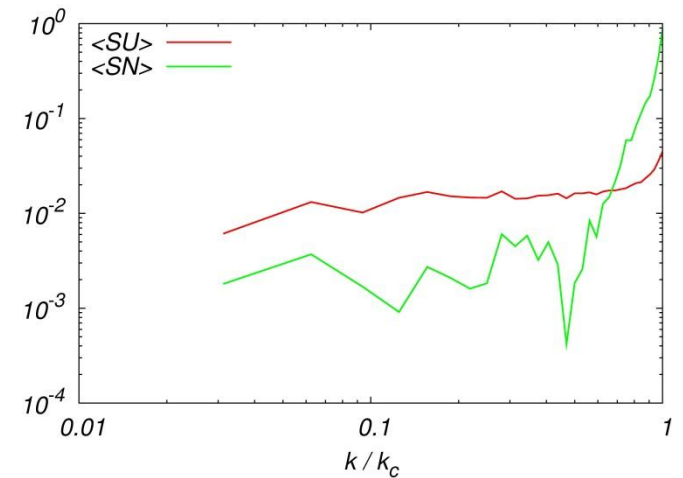
Kinetic energy spectrum



$C_1$  and  $C_2$  $v_e(k|k_c)$ 

$v_e(k|k_c)$  tends to constant as  $k/k_c \rightarrow 0$

$C_2$  term is very small (negligible vertex correction)  
(but does not mean that  $\langle S^<N^>$  is small )



What is the statistics of the uncorrelated part?

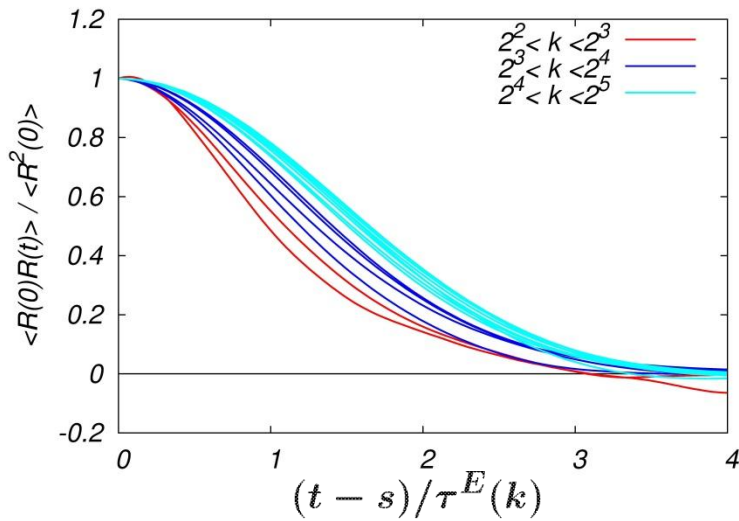
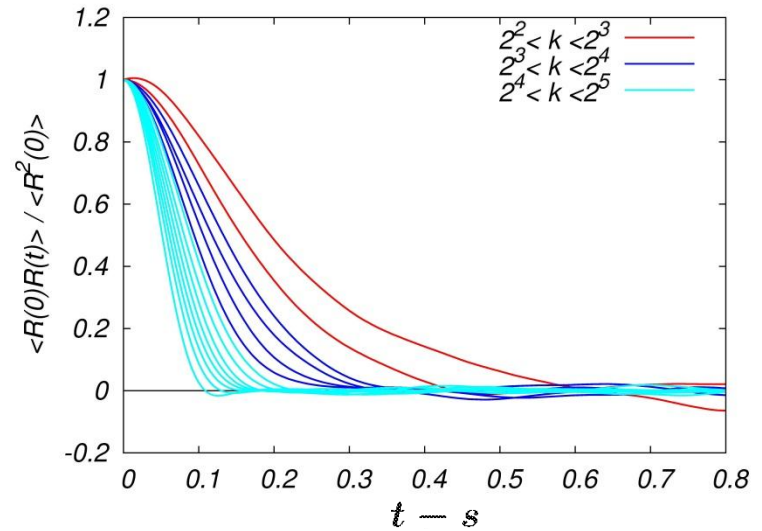
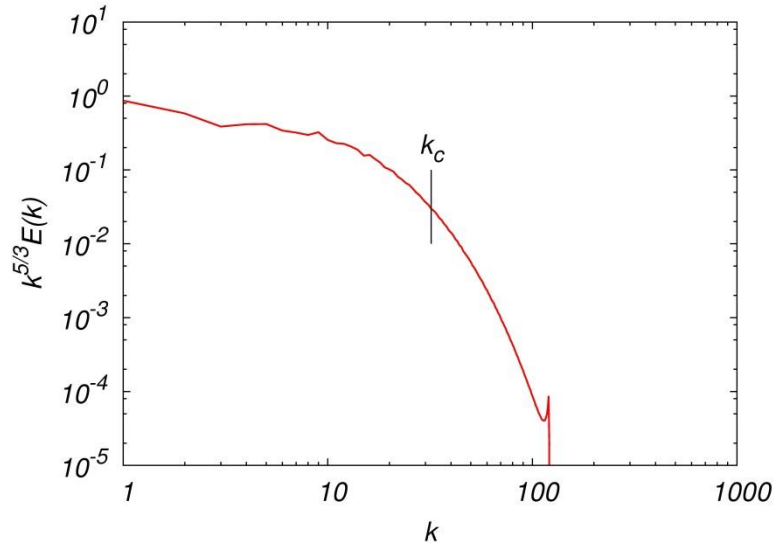
$$\langle R^<(k, t) \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle R^<(k, t) R^<(-k, s) \rangle = F(k, (t - s) / \tau_k) \quad \tau_k = ?$$

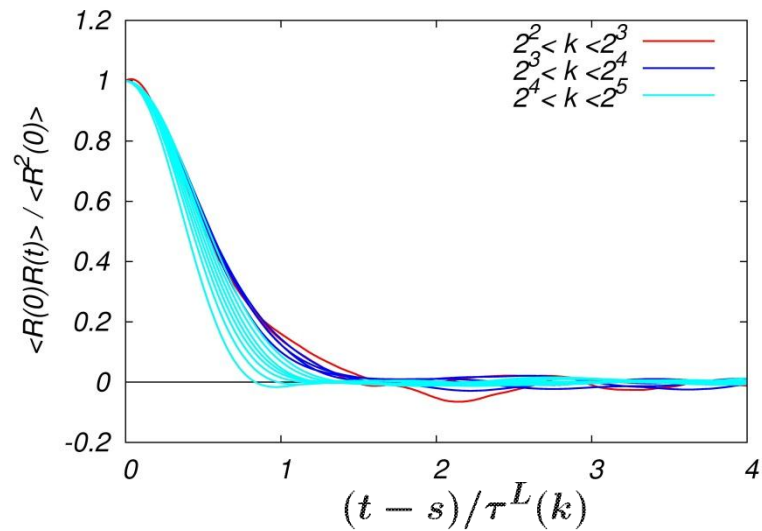
PDF of  $R^<(k, t)$  ?

Two time correlation in steady turbulence

$N = 256^3, R_\lambda \approx 120, k_c = 32$



$$\tau^E(k) = (ku_0)^{-1}$$



$$\tau^L(k) = \left( \int_0^k p^2 E(p) dp \right)^{-1/2}$$

## Langevin modeling of SGS contributions

Eddy damping + random force

$$\begin{aligned} S^<(k, t) &= C_1(k, t)u^<(k, t) + C_2(k, t)N^<(k, t) + R^<(k, t) \\ &\approx C_1(k, t)u^<(k, t) + R^<(k, t) \end{aligned}$$

Decorrelation time of the random force is given by Lagrangian time (sweeping effects are not dominant)

### Future problem

Is PDF of the random part Gaussian ?

What is the statistical correlation at two time ?

$$S^<(k, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t C_1(k, t, s)u^<(k, s)ds + \int_{-\infty}^t C_2(k, t, s)N^<(k, s)ds + R^<(k, t)$$

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