

Progress in Simulating and Modelling 2D and 3D Turbulence in Free-Surface Flows

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Growing Interest in Simulating Horizontal Eddy Motions:

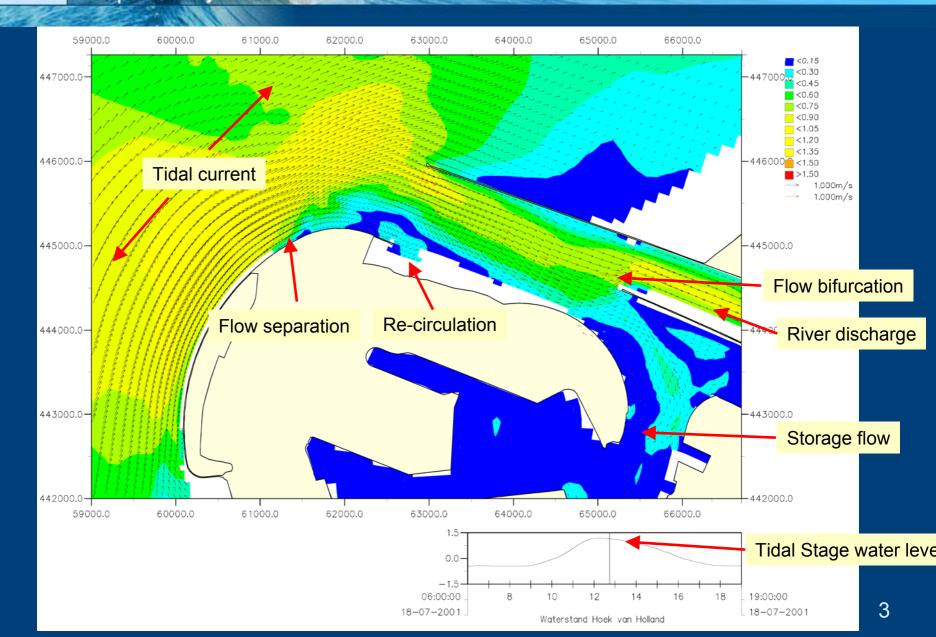
• Navigation (unpredictable flow direction)

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- Structural Stability (scour, resonance)
- Dredging Operations (flow direction, mixing waste material)
- Biochemical Processes (upwelling mixing nutrients algae)
- Sediment Transport (variability bed stress and vertical transport)
- Harbour Design for low-cost Maintenance (e.g. mud transport)

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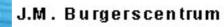














Horizontal Large Eddy Simulations (HLES) ?

Choice:

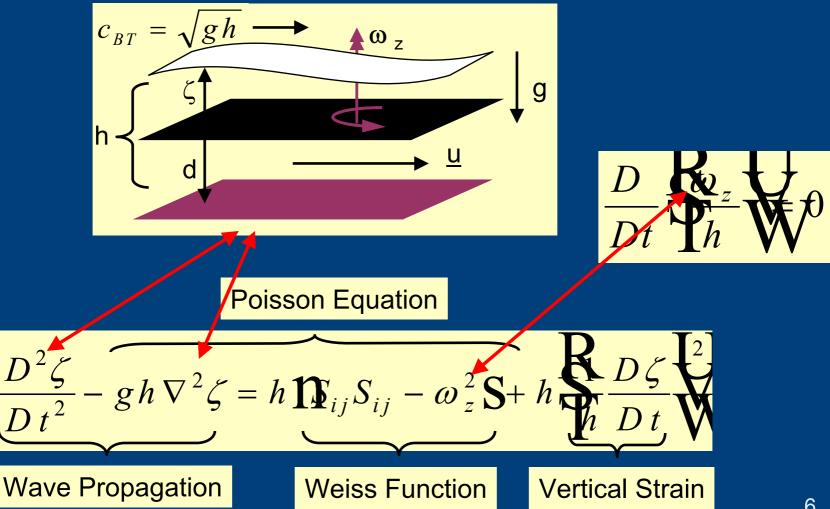
- Simulating Quasi-2D turbulence or
- Turbulence Closure for Quasi 2D ?

HLES preferred:

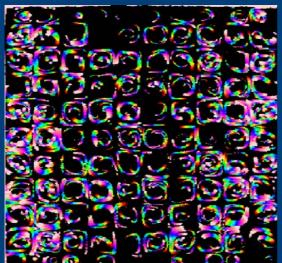
- Subgrid-scale (SGS) model for Quasi-2D turbulence and
- model for 3D turbulence

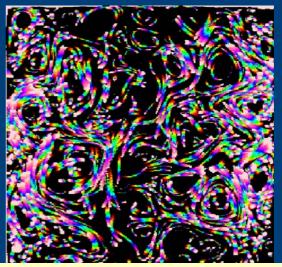


The Role of the Free Surface (inviscid flow)

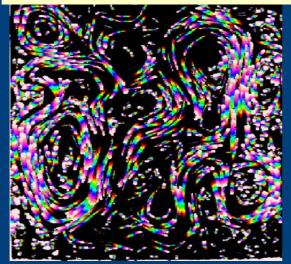


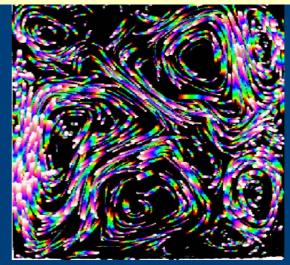
Turbulence in Shallow Water evolving from Counter-Rotating Vortices





Particle tracks in 1*1*0.01 m³ (Van Heijst et al. TU Eindhoven)

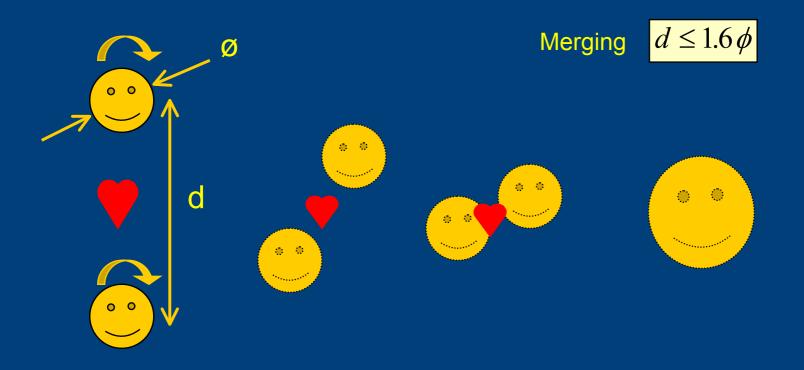








Co-Rotating Vortices can Merge





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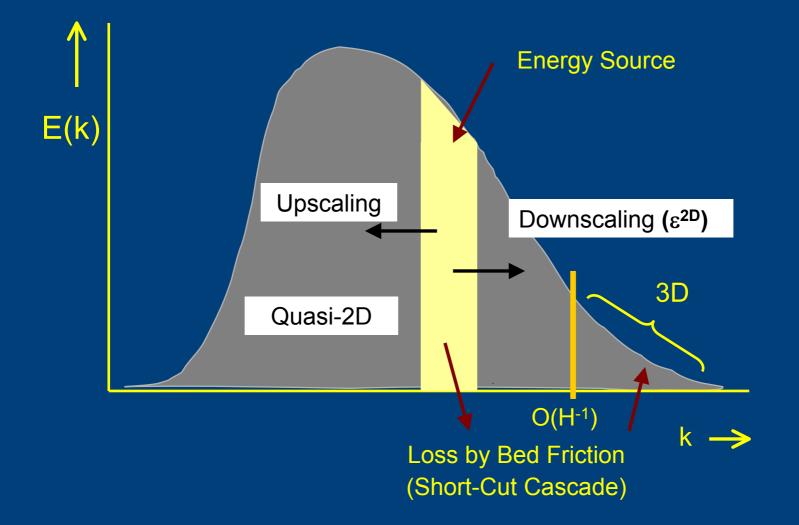
Demonstration of Dominance of Poisson Equation for ζ

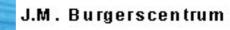
Counter-rotating Vortices





Spectral - Energy Fluxes

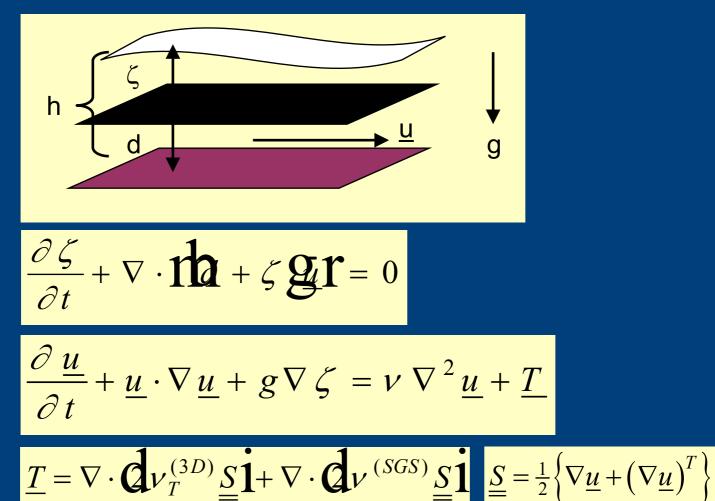




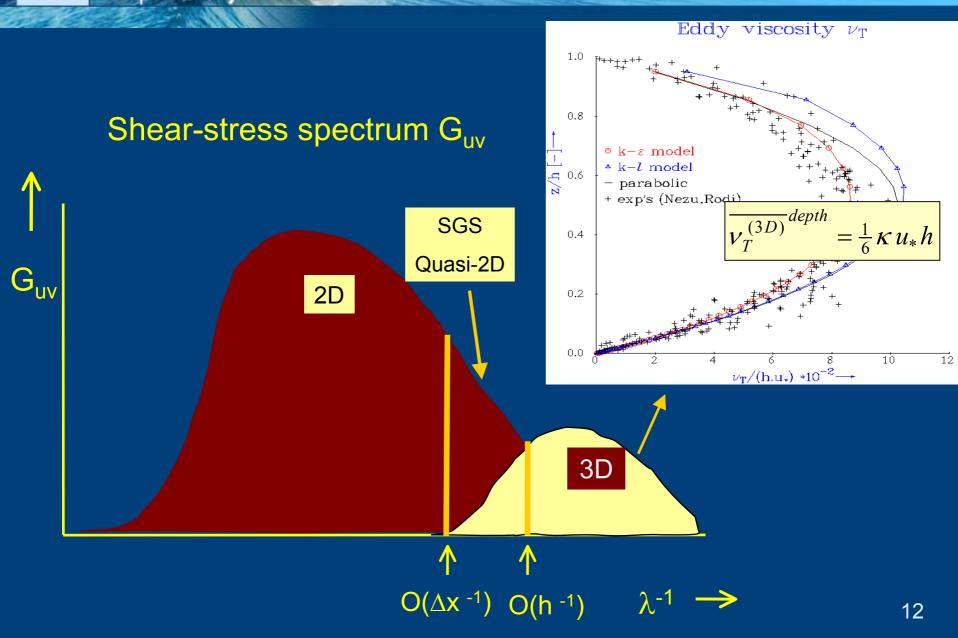


The Shallow-Water Equations Depth-Averaged and 3D

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Design Criteria :

- Drainage of Energy to Subgrid Scales
- Energy loss through Short-Cut Cascade
- Truncation Wavenumber Numerical Method
- No Mean-Flow Contributions to SGS model^(*)

(*) Smagorinsky closure responds to mean flow even without turbulence
 (*) but not the Dynamic Model (Germano *et al.*, 1991) and its novel variants





Recursive High-Pass Filter:

Filter time τ_f ; time step Δt

$$\psi^* = \psi_{n+1} - \overline{\psi}_{n+1}^t$$
; $\overline{\psi}_{n+1}^t = (1-a)\psi_{n+1} + a\overline{\psi}_n^t$ $\mathbf{a} = \exp(-\Delta t / \tau_f)$

$$\underline{\underline{R}}^{(SGS)} - \frac{1}{3} \underline{\underline{I}} tr \underline{\underline{Q}}^{(SGS)} \mathbf{t} = 2v^{(SGS)} \underline{\underline{S}}^*$$

$$\underline{T}^{(SGS)} = \nabla \cdot \left(2\nu^{(SGS)} \underline{\underline{S}}^* \right) \quad ; \quad \underline{\underline{S}}^* = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \nabla \underline{\underline{u}}^* + \left(\nabla \underline{\underline{u}}^* \right)^T \right\}$$



Loss by bed friction (3D - turbulence generation) yields "Leaky" Spectral-Energy Cascade (homogenous turb.):

$$\frac{d TKE}{dt}^{(SGS)} = \left\langle \underline{\underline{R}}^{(SGS)} : \underline{\underline{S}}^{*} \right\rangle - H^{-1} \left\langle \underline{\underline{u}}^{(SGS)} \cdot \underline{\underline{\tau}}_{bed} \right\rangle - \varepsilon^{(2D)}$$

$$\left\langle \underline{\underline{R}}^{(SGS)} : \underline{\underline{S}}^{*} \right\rangle = v^{(SGS)} Q D_{s} \xi$$

$$Q D_{s} \underbrace{\underline{\underline{S}}}^{2} Q_{tot} - \underbrace{\underline{\underline{X}}}^{\infty} 2E \underbrace{\underline{D}} \underbrace{\underline{\underline{S}}}_{k_{s}} \xi$$

$$k_{s} = f_{\ell p} \frac{\pi}{\Delta x}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\tau}}_{bed} = c_{f} \underbrace{\underline{u}}_{u}$$

Loss by bed friction (3D - turbulence generation) yields "Leaky" Spectral-Energy Cascade:

$$\frac{d}{dk_s} \left\{ \nu^{(SGS)} Q(k_s) \right\} + 2B E(k_s) = 0$$

$$\frac{dv}{dk_s}^{(SGS)} = -(\gamma \sigma_T)^2 \frac{E(k_s)}{k_s v^{(SGS)}}$$

$$B = \frac{3}{4} \frac{c_f |\underline{u}|}{d + \zeta}$$

$$E(k) \propto k^{-\alpha}$$

$$v^{(SGS)} = k_s^{-2} \left(\sqrt{\left(\gamma \sigma_T \right)^2 \left(\underline{\underline{S}}^* : \underline{\underline{S}}^* \right) + B^2} - B \right)$$

$$k_s = f_{\ell p} \frac{\pi}{\Delta x}$$

$$\gamma = 0.422 \sqrt{1-\alpha^{-2}}$$

$$\sigma_T \approx 0.7$$

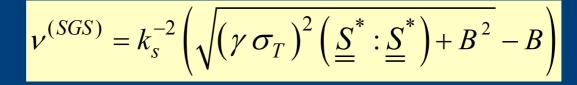


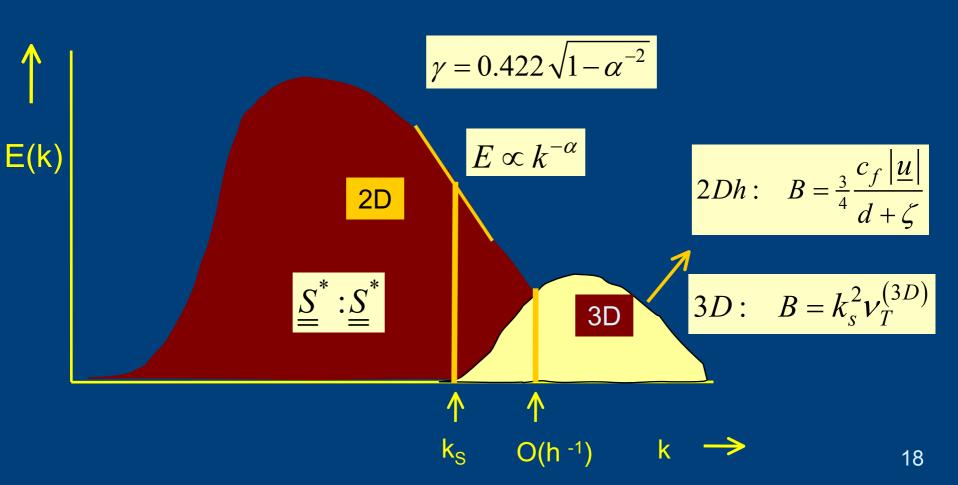
Checking the Design Criteria :

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$$v^{(SGS)} = k_s^{-2} \left(\sqrt{\left(\gamma \, \sigma_T\right)^2 \left(\underline{\underline{S}}^* : \underline{\underline{S}}^*\right) + B^2} - B \right) \qquad B = \frac{3}{4} \frac{c_f |\underline{\underline{u}}|}{d + \zeta}$$
(1) (2) (3) (4)





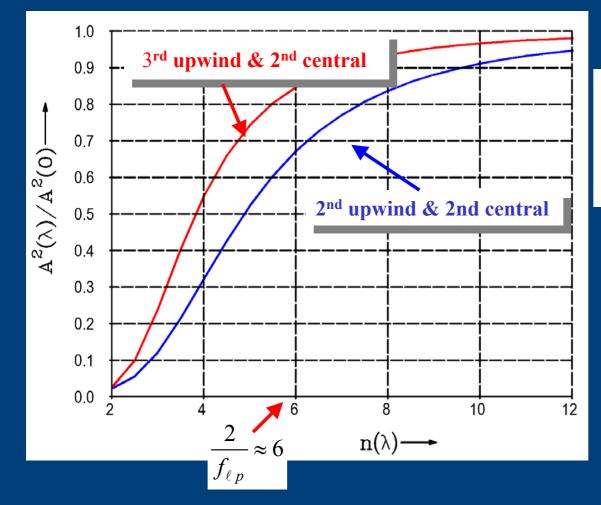




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Definition of spatial low-pass wave length



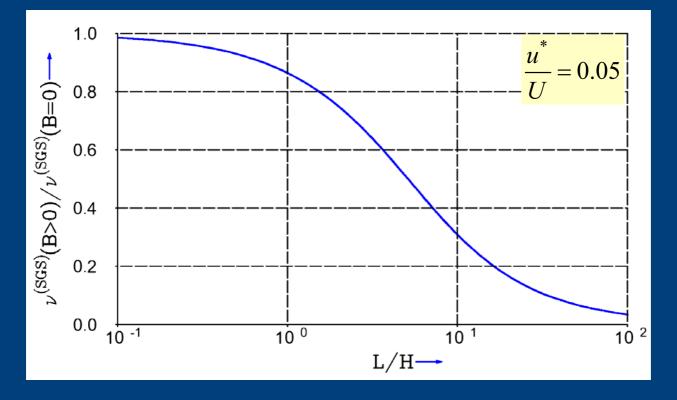
≈50% reduction in energy after advection over a single wave length





Bed friction reducing SGS viscosity

$$v^{(SGS)} = k_s^{-2} \left(\sqrt{\left(\gamma \, \sigma_T\right)^2 \left(\underline{\underline{S}}^* : \underline{\underline{S}}^*\right) + B^2} - B \right)$$





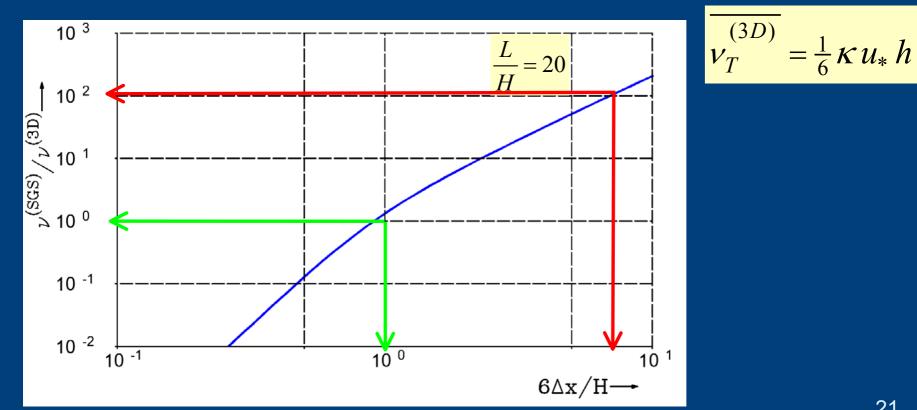


 $B = k_s^2 v_T^{(3D)}$

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Ratio SGS viscosity – 3D eddy viscosity

$$\nu^{(SGS)} = k_s^{-2} \left(\sqrt{\left(\gamma \, \sigma_T \right)^2 \left(\underline{\underline{S}}^* : \underline{\underline{S}}^* \right) + B^2} - B \right) \blacktriangleleft$$





Conclusions:

- 3D Turbulence remains Completely Subgrid
- SGS Model dedicated to Shallow Flows (bed friction)
- Applicable to 2Dh as well as to 3D (shallow flow eq's)
- Modest Role provided $\Delta x/H < O(2)$
- Modest Role for very Large Eddies L/H > O(100)
- **Performs well in Test Cases** (see next examples)

See also our papers in Shallow Flows Symp., Delft, June 2003



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Boundary Conditions

$$\underline{u}^* \underline{b}, t \underbrace{\mathbf{g}}_{n=1}^N \underline{u}^{(n)} \underbrace{\mathbf{b}}_{n=1}, t \underbrace{\mathbf{g}}_{n=1}^N$$

Component:

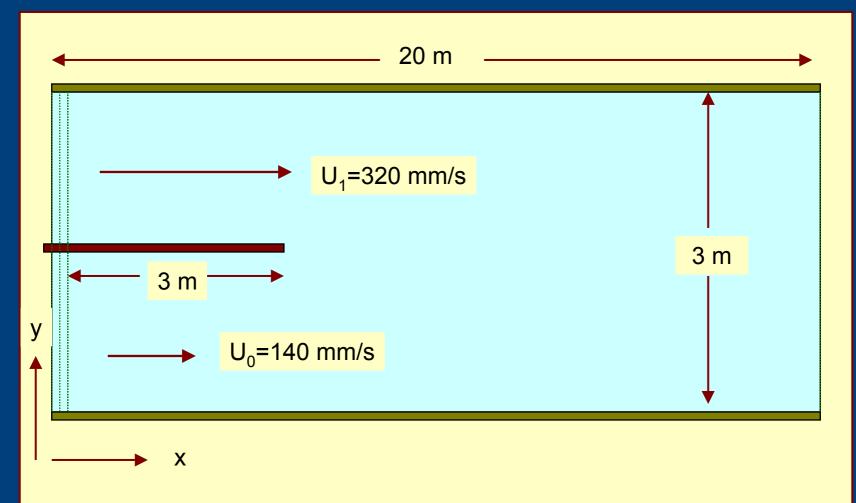
Perturbations:

Advection:

$$\underline{u}^{(< n)} = \sum_{n}^{n-1} \underline{u}^{(n)} \mathbf{b}, t \mathbf{\xi}$$

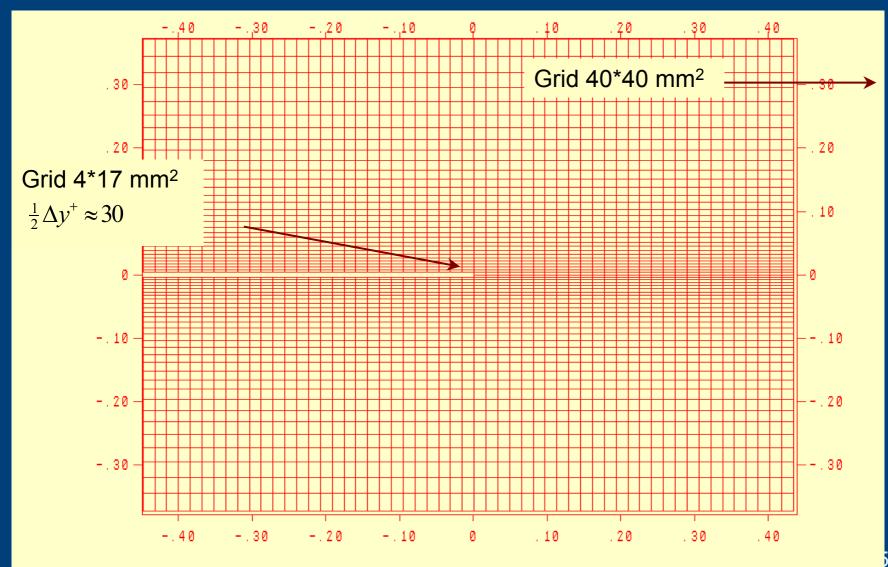


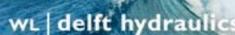
A Test Case: Free-Surface Mixing Layer 67 mm Water Depth







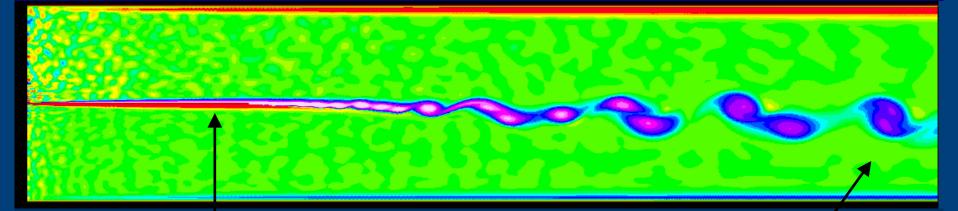








Shallow-Water Mixing Layer exp's: Uijttewaal & Booij (2000)



Grid $4 * 17 \text{ mm}^2 \mathbf{Q} \Delta y^+ \approx 30\mathbf{1}$

Patterns in water levels

Subgrid-scale eddy viscosity

Turbulence properties

Spectra



Grid 40*40 mm²

1.000000 0.894737 0.7894<u>74</u>

0.684211

0.578947 0.473684 0.368421

0.263158 0.157895

0.052632

-0.052632

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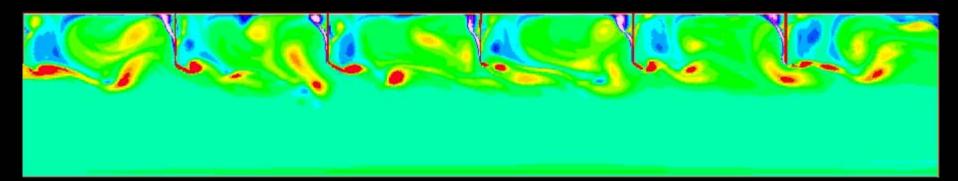
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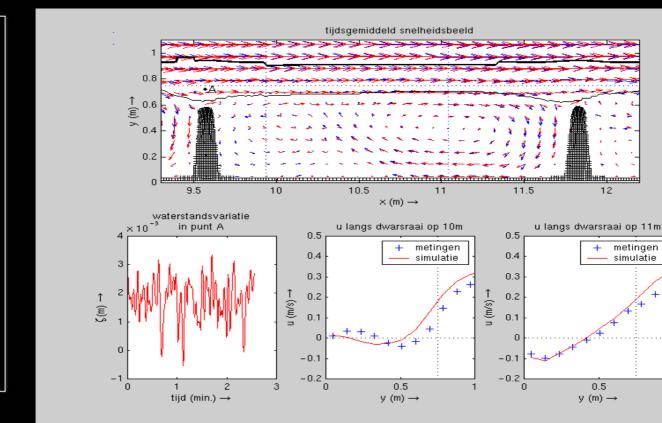
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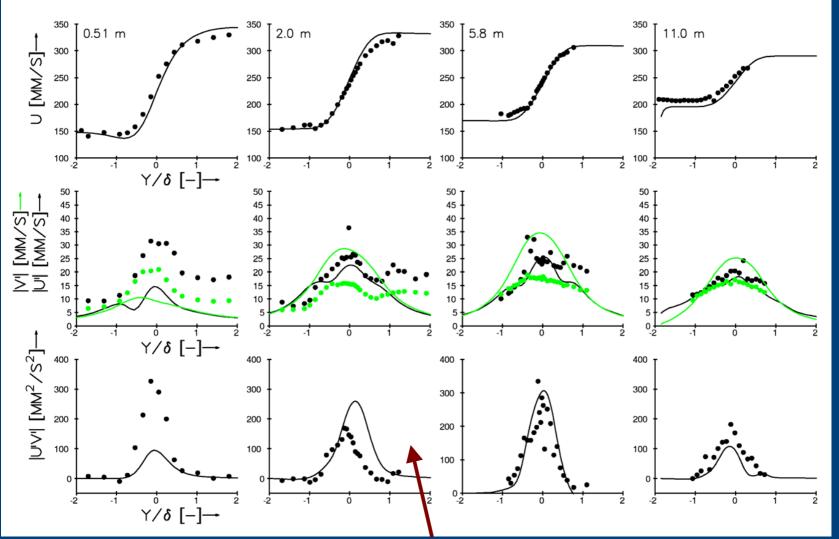






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Low level not explained by experimentors





Simulation: Frequency Spectra Spanwise v-component

