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Accurate noise predictions require to anticipate many flow features:

Noise radiated far away from many aeronautical devices is the consequence of many different flow regimes around the device:



<u>The physical limit of CFD:</u> Turbulence and the large range of flow scales

Aeronautical flows have a very high Reynolds number: $\text{Re} = \frac{\rho U L}{\mu} \implies \text{N} \propto (0.1 \text{ Re})^{9/4}$

> Aircraft at cruise conditions:

Boeing 747, Re ~ 2 $10^9 => N \sim 4.75 \ 10^{18}$ Glider, Re ~ 1.6 $10^6 => N \sim 2.8 \ 10^{11.25}$

> Compressor at operating conditions: Re ~ 5 $10^6 => N \sim 37 \ 10^{11.25}$

Combustor at operating conditions:

Re ~ 5 10⁵ => N ~ 37 10⁹

> Turbine at operating conditions: Re ~ 1 10⁶ => N ~ 1 10^{11.25}



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Overview of the computational methods



DNS: Direct Numerical Simulation

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Viscosity is present (as well as pressure) and introduces damping which counteracts nonlinearities

Fundamentals of LES modeling



The turbulent flow field evolves due to the competition between

large energetic flow scales

and

dissipative scales (i.e. mechanical energy transformed into heat)

Due to the prohibitive numerical cost of solving everything manipulations of the NS eqns need new governing eqns for which this competition needs to be modeled





Whatever the **mathematical operations applied to Navier-Stokes** since the problem is non-linear, a closure problem arises

$$\langle f(x,t) \rangle_{L} = G * f(x,t)$$
 $G * \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [G * f], G * \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} [G * f], G * 1 = 1$ (1)

=> new unknowns appear [1-4]:

Momentum:
$$au_L(u_i, u_j) = \langle u_i u_j \rangle_L - \langle u_i \rangle_L \langle u_j \rangle_L$$
 (2)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underbrace{\text{Total energy:}}_{T_{L}(u_{i}, \partial p/\partial x_{j})} & (3) \\ & \tau_{L}(u_{i}, u_{j}, u_{k}) = \langle u_{i}u_{j}u_{k} \rangle_{L} - \langle u_{i} \rangle_{L} \tau_{L}(u_{j}, u_{k}) - \langle u_{j} \rangle_{L} \tau_{L}(u_{i}, u_{k}) \\ & - \langle u_{k} \rangle_{L} \tau_{L}(u_{i}, u_{j}) - \langle u_{i} \rangle_{L} \langle u_{j} \rangle_{L} \langle u_{k} \rangle_{L} \end{aligned}$$

[1] T. Poinsot and D. Veynante, Theoretical and Numerical Combustion (2005).

[2] P. Sagaut, Large Eddy Simulation for incompressible flows (2002).

[3] P. Moin et al., Phys. of Fluids, A3(11), p. 1746-2757, 1991.[4] M. Germano, J. Fluid Mech., 238, p. 325-336, 1992.



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Two operators exist today:

$$\left\langle f(x,t) \right\rangle_{L} = G * f(x,t) \qquad G * \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[G * f \right], G * \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i}} \left[G * f \right], G * 1 = 1$$

$$1/ \text{ Use an ensemble of flow realizations:} \qquad \text{RANS / URANS}$$

$$\left\{ u_{i}^{(1)}(x,t), u_{i}^{(2)}(x,t), \dots, u_{i}^{(n)}(x,t), \dots, u_{i}^{(N)}(x,t) \right\}$$

$$G * f(x,t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1}^{N} f^{(n)}(x,t) = \left\langle f(x,t) \right\rangle_{L} = \overline{f}(x,t)$$

$$f'(x,t) = f(x,t) - \overline{f}(x,t) \implies \overline{f}'(x,t) = 0, \quad \overline{\overline{f}}(x,t) = \overline{f}(x,t)$$



Fundamentals of LES modeling

Modeling – Different_formalisms => different sol. : RANS – URANS - LES



$$\tau_L(u_i, u_j) = \langle u_i u_j \rangle_L - \langle u_i \rangle_L \langle u_j \rangle_L$$

Turbulence modeling is the art of providing closure / models for the above tensor

Clearly closures will be *specific to the operator* introduced (RANS, URANS, LES...)

Clearly closures will be **specific to the flow turbulent characteristic properties**

=> need to identify typical turbulent flows and their properties





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If an inertial range exists, whatever the flow (homogeneous, isotropic or not), **small scales** (SGS quantities) can be assumed at equilibrium with the dissipation...



=> Postulates a Gradient hypothesis and mixing length model for the turbulent viscosity

$$\tau_{ij} \propto v_t S_{ij}$$
 with $v_t \propto \Delta q_{SGS}$

$$q_{sgs} \sim \Delta |\overline{S}| \qquad |\overline{S}| = [2\overline{S}_{ij}\overline{S}_{ij}]^{1/2}$$



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Smagorinsky model (1963):

- $\nu_T = (C_S \overline{\Delta})^2 |\overline{S}|$
- Since the constant C_S (the Smagorinsky constant) is real, the model is absolutely dissipative:

$$\tau_{ij}\overline{S}_{ij} = -(C_S\overline{\Delta})^2 |\overline{S}|^3 \le 0$$

• To evaluate C_S, assume a spectrum with an inertial range:

$$E(k) = \operatorname{Ko} \varepsilon^{2/3} k^{-5/3}$$

• Integrate the dissipation spectrum $k^2 E(k)$ over all resolved wavenumbers:

$$|\overline{S}|^2 \simeq 2 \int_0^{\pi/\overline{\Delta}} k^2 E(k) dk = \frac{3}{2} \operatorname{Ko} \varepsilon^{2/3} \left(\frac{\pi}{\overline{\Delta}}\right)^{4/3}$$

• With Ko = 1.41 this gives $C_s \approx 0.18$

Pros & Cons:

- Purely dissipative model (no feedback to resolved scales numerically stable ③)
- Loss of locality (integrated spectrum)
- One constant to have dissipation and SGS??? (alignment of τ_{ii} with S_{ii})

Recursive filtering (Germano's identity, 1991):

Introduce two two filter scales:

Hence double filtering sequentially with G and then by G, you get:

$$<< U_i >_L >_L, \quad << U_i >_L < U_j >_L >_L,$$
 Accessible quantities
$$<\tau_L(U_i, U_j) >_L = <(< U_i U_j >_L - < U_i >_L < U_j >_L) >_L$$
 Unclosed terms (no miracle)

For this identity, on needs to re-express:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} < < U_i U_j >_L >_{\mathcal{L}} = & < & \tau_L(U_i, U_j) & + & < U_i >_L < U_j >_L & >_{\mathcal{L}} \\ \\ = & < & \tau_L(U_i, U_j) & >_{\mathcal{L}} & + & \tau_L(< U_i >_L, < U_j >_L) \\ & + & < < U_i >_L >_{\mathcal{L}} & < < U_j >_L >_{\mathcal{L}} \end{array}$$

From this relation, one obtains:

$$\underbrace{\langle \langle U_{i}U_{j}\rangle_{L}\rangle_{L}}_{T_{ij}^{r}} = \underbrace{\langle T_{L}(U_{i},U_{j})\rangle_{L}}_{\hat{T}_{ij}^{r}} + \underbrace{\tau_{L}(\langle U_{i}\rangle_{L},\langle U_{j}\rangle_{L})}_{L_{ij}}$$
[1] Germano et al., 1991.
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E

Smallest resolved

k

scales

Dynamic Smagorinsky model (1991):

$$T_{ij}^r = \hat{\tau}_{ij}^r + L_{ij}$$

Introducing the gradient diffusion model for the first two terms:

This is an over-determined system: 1 Cst and 6 eqns (sym. tensors)...

One way to evaluate C_s is to contract the tensor: i.e.



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=> to be discussed later on

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SGS models - Wall turbulence



Wall turbulence (fully developed boundary layer) is highly anisotropic:

=> strong shear mean shear

=> different layers are present



Region of interaction between outer BL flow and BL flow (intermittency)

Self-similar behavior of the flow

Self-similar laminar flow



From the previous findings dimensional analyses show (Piomelli 2002):



Wall modeled LES



Wall law flow dynamics prevails (no pressure gradient) & the matching between turbulent SGS model and first cell wall law correction is OK...

Wall resolved LES



Works iff the SGS viscosity behaves as expected: $v_t \xrightarrow{y^+ \rightarrow 5} 0$



Velocity field near wall asymptotic limit yields:

 $v_t \propto O(y^{+3})$

Smagorinsky model:

$$v_t \propto \sqrt{S_{ij} S_{ij}} \propto O(u_1)$$

Impossible to use especially in the fully resolved context Impossible to use a specially in the fully resolved context Impossible to use a specially in the fully resolved context Impossible to use a special provide t

$$\begin{split} \underline{\text{WALE model[1]:}} \quad \nu_t &= (Cw \ \Delta)^2 \quad \frac{\left(S_{ij}^d \ S_{ij}^d\right)^{3/2}}{\left(S_{ij} \ S_{ij}\right)^{5/2} + \left(S_{ij}^d \ S_{ij}^d\right)^{5/4}} \\ \text{with} \quad S_{ij} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(g_{ij} + g_{ji}\right), \quad g_{ji} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j}, \quad S_{ij}^d &= \frac{1}{2} \left(g_{ik} g_{kj} + g_{jk} g_{ki}\right) - \frac{1}{3} g_{ki} g_{ik} \ \delta_{ij} \\ \underline{\text{Yielding:}} \quad S_{ij}^d \ S_{ij}^d \ \propto O(y^2) \qquad \nu_t \ \propto O(y^3) \end{split}$$

Note: denominator is here for dimensionality purposes and its form is to avoid numerical singularities!

[1] F. Ducros et al., 1995.

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Desired properties of a 'good' LES model:

For proper model behavior, the filter should be applied in the lower inertial range (around Taylor micro-scale)... But one can also enforce:

> 1/ as $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ if the concept is well posed then LES \rightarrow DNS (fully resolved problem) => supposes that the model contribution vanishes adequately

2/ as $\Delta \rightarrow \infty$ similarly LES \rightarrow RANS (fully modeled problem)

=> supposes that the model contribution reproduces a RANS closure

Few models today can fulfill these wishes... Smagorinsky will not !!!!

How about real flows: - filtering and BC's?

- filter is rarely known,
- transitioning flows?

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At some point you need to integrate numerically the modeled transport equations:

=> <u>LES:</u> fully unsteady formalism where part of the turbulent spectrum activity (large scale interactions) is directly reproduced...

=> <u>RANS</u>: within the context of statistically stationary flows there is no explicit need for temporal accuracy (URANS – potentially needed)

Equivalent Eqn
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \mathcal{G}(cfl, \Delta x, \frac{\partial^{2n}u}{\partial x^{2n}}, \frac{\partial^{2n+1}u}{\partial x^{2n+1}}..)$$
2n : Dissipation
2n+1: DispersionEuler explicit and centered: $\mathcal{G} = \underbrace{a \Delta x}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{a (\Delta x)^2}{6} \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x^3}$ Anti-diffusion = unstable!Euler implicit and centered: $\mathcal{G} = \frac{a \Delta x}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{a (\Delta x)^2}{6} \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x^3}}$ Anti-diffusion = unstable!Euler explicit and centered: $\mathcal{G} = \frac{a \Delta x}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{a (\Delta x)^2}{6} \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x^3}}$ Numerical diffusionEuler explicit and upwind: $\mathcal{G} = \frac{a \Delta x}{2} (1 - \nu) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{a (\Delta x)^2}{6} \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x^3}$ Numerical diffusion

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This is the region that is used for modeling and where the model is supposed to act the most to reproduced the SGS interactions needed for a proper temporal evolution of the predictions...

NOTE: Very large scales are not too affected if the scheme is centered

Gaussian convected on a 2D uniform mesh:



3D jet (H. Nguyen):



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LES around blades or airfoils

- Highly sensitive to the wall flow state
 Transitioning Boundary Layers
- Highly compressible (Shocks)
 Shock / Boundary Layer interations
- Wake

[3] T. Arts et al, VKI, 1990.

- Strong acoustic source
- Highly curved flow
 - Görtler instabilities

Test case	Re_2	$M_{is,2}$	$P_{i,0}$	$T_{s,wall}$	Tu_0
MUR129	$1.13\ 10^{6}$	0.840	$1.87 \ 10^5 \ Pa$	298 K	1.0%
MUR235	$1.15 \ 10^{6}$	0.927	$1.85 \ 10^5 \ Pa$	301 K	6.0%

Heat Transfert Coeff.:

 $H = \frac{Q_{wall}}{T_{\infty} - T_{wall}}$

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[1] E. Collado et al., IJHMT, 2012.

[2] N. Gourdain et al., AIAA Propulsion and Power, 2012.

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1/ Capabilities of the two LES numerical strategies to produce coherent flow predictions

2/ Numeric and code efficiencies

 \Rightarrow Robustness of wall resolved LES to turbulent BL state sensitivity of the flow



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0.85C

Wall resolved LES strategy:

LES structured

- 3D fully structured multi-blocks
- Implicit dual time integration $O(\Delta t^2)$
- y⁺~1, 2μm, Δx⁺~150, Δz⁺~25
- 30 10⁶ cells
- SGS model: WALE (Nicoud, 1999)
- Transition: cf. computation

LES unstructured

- 3D fully unstructured
- Explicitin time Taylor Galerkin O(Δt³)
- $\mathbf{v}^+ \mathbf{A}$, 8µm, $\Delta \mathbf{x}^+ \mathbf{A} \Delta \mathbf{v}^+$, $\Delta \mathbf{z}^+ \mathbf{A} \Delta \mathbf{v}^+$
- **30 10⁶ cells**
- SGS model: WALE (Nicoud, 1999)
- Transition: cf. computation



• elsA





LES unstructured



1: Laminar flow

- 2: Impacting acoustic waves
- **3: Transition**

- Instantanenous field of the wall heat flux Q (W.cm⁻²)
 - Transition occurs at S=60mm
 - Transition is initiated by a sonic point





LES unstructured



1: Incoming turbulence impacting the blade leading edge

- 2: Turbulent spots
- 3: Strecthed vortices (Görtler)

- Instantanenous field of the wall heat flux Q (W.cm⁻²)
 - Transition seems to be of «by-pass» type
 - Appears between S=40mm & S=60mm
 - Interaction between the shock and the transtionned turbulent boundary layer







- <u>Pressure side</u>: H under estimated by less 5%
- From S=-20 to S=50mm: Both LES provides prediction with a 5% error (cf. exp.)
- <u>After transition</u>: elsA under estimate by 25%, AVBP by 40%

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- <u>Pressure side</u>: H under estimated by 15%
- From S=-20 to S=50mm: Both LES provides prediction with a 5% error (cf. exp.)
- <u>After transition</u>: elsA under estimate by 25%,
 AVBP by 40%

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LES of turbulent wall impacting jets

Under-expanded impacting jet (Mach bottle): depending on h/d and Nozzle Pressure Ratio (NPR), stable or unstable flow can appear...[1]

- Stable case to validate modeling (wall modeled LES), grid resolution... [2]
- Unstable case to see if LES captures the acoustic loop [3]



[3] A. Dauptain et al., AIAAJ, 2011.

[2] A. Dauptain et al., AIAAJ, 2010.

[1] B. Henderson et al., JFM, 542, 115, 2005.

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Sensitivity of the predictions: A. Dauptain et al., AIAAJ, 2010.



	$\Delta x/d$	Nodes	Tetrahedra	Memory size	Time step
M20	1/20	1 299 149	7 497 557	147MB	$0,524 \mu s$
M30	1/30	2 763 143	$16\ 026\ 453$	312MB	$0,27\mu s$
M40	1/40	3 833 370	22 280 845	433MB	$0,214 \mu \mathrm{s}$

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	one convective time		Total time use	d
	$t_{cpu}^{conv.}$	$t_{hum.}^{conv.}$	$t_{cpu}^{tot.}$	$t_{hum.}^{tot.}$
M20	82.9 hr.	9.7 min.	17 955 hr.	35 hr.
M30	353.8 hr.	41.5 min.	17 412 hr.	34 hr.
M40	662.0 hr.	72.9 min.	19 938 hr.	39 hr.
			39	6

LES and acoustics



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Overall recommendations on the modeling and validation strategies:

Validations of LES codes is not an obvious because you end up handling a fully dynamic system expressing interactions between:

- numeric
- SGS model
- grid resolution (structured vs unstructured)
- • •

Basic test cases are necessary and assessment of your modeling strategy needs to be faced to well mastered configurations where flow data (unsteady and mean) are available...



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Prediction of the sources is one thing, propagating them is another thing...

Most LES numerical scheme introduces too much dissipation & dispersion to preserve and propagate accurately the small amplitude pressure fluctuations over a long distance... LES needs to be coupled to another acoustic solver

=> CAA (Computational Aero-Acoustic)

Questions to be answered:

- What other code? Linearized Euler, Acoustic Analogy...
- What quantity to transfer?
- Where to extract the info?
- 1/ Broadband noise: free jets
- 2/ Tone dominated noise: rod-airfoil interaction



LES based CAA

Classical benchmark [1]: J.-C. Giret et al. (CIFRE CERFACS / AIRBUS)

- Rod vortex shedding at St ~ 0.19
- Turbulence in the cylinder wake
 - => Impingement of the shedded vortices on the airfoil generates the tone
 - => turbulent containing wake generates the broadband noise



Mean flow prediction validations:

Wall resolved LES: i.e. WALE and initial guess for the first layer y⁺

=> Cylinder BL is fully transitioning with a massive separation around $+/-90^{\circ}$



LES based CAA



turbulent wake of the rod



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LAGOON databasis: J.-C. Giret et al. (CIFRE CERFACS / AIRBUS)

Benchmark CFD/CAA codes

- > Aerodynamic measurements (F2 wind tunnel)
- > Far-field acoustic measurements (Cepra 19 wind tunnel)

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- Several operating points (Mach number 0.18 and 0.23)
- 3 geometries with increasing geometrical complexity







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• Geometry #1 selected at first a Mach number 0.23

- ▶ T_{in}=293K
- ▶ V_{in}=78.8 m/s
- ▶ P_{in}=99400 Pa
- Full geometry with support considered
 > CEPRA 19 design
 - No acoustic reflection from the ceiling

3 levels of refinement investigated

- ➤ Coarse: 10 million cells
- > Fine: 50 million cells (global refinement of the mesh)
- Very fine: 75 million cells (additional refinement at the LG walls)





Industrial applications



• Fixed numerical scheme:

• TTG4A Scheme (Third order in space and Fourth order in time)

• Explicit time marching, CFL=0.7

Casename	DoF	dt	CPU time (for 0.24 s)	Wall-law	SGS Model
FINE_DS_WNS	10 M nodes (50 M cells)	4.10 ^{-7 s}	100 000 h	NO	DSMAGO
VERYFINE_DS_WNS	15 M nodes (75 M cells)	3.10 ^{-7 s}	200 000 h	NO	DSMAGO
VERYFINE_WALE_WNS	15 M nodes (75 M cells)	3.10 ^{-7 s}	200 000 h	NO	WALE
VERYFINE_DS_WL	15 M nodes (75 M cells)	3.10 ^{-7 s}	200 000 h	YES	DSMAGO



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Best agreement obtained on VERYFINE Mesh with DSMAGO model with and

without wall laws

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Industrial applications



Detailed comparison with LAGOON to be produced

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• **Geometry #2:** added complexity (torque link)

Casename	DoF	dt	т	CPU time	
VERYFINE#2_DS_WNS	22M nodes (110M Elements)	2.10 ⁻⁷ s	0.12s	~200 000 H Cpu	
VERYFINE#3_DS_WNS	24M nodes (120M Elements)	2.10 ⁻⁷ s	0.12s	~200 000 H Cpu	



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Axial component of the velocity vector







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LES based CAA offers:

- Good potential for flow unsteadiness predictions (better representation of the acoustic sources)

- Tone generated noise is a priori the easiest to reproduce

GOOD NEWS

=> Modeling will dominate and will do the difference

Not only on the LES side (SGS, wall...) but also on the acoustic side.

=> Numeric and massively parallel codes will be required

Note: Acoustic BC's need to treated with care for proper representation



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Where do we stand on the LES side:

Today codes are able to produce computations using O(10³-10⁵) cores efficiently:



