Assessment and comparison of a recent kinematic sensitive subgrid length scale in Hybrid RANS-LES

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BFS-VE (1985): Case

Experimental study: Vogel and Eaton (1985)



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 :

$$\tilde{\Delta}_{\omega}$$
 :

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Subgrid Length Scale candidates

Trias et al., PoF 26, (2017)

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2D Simple Flow: Mesh

 $\frac{\text{Delta } (\Delta)}{\Delta} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta x_1 = \beta \\ \Delta x_2 = \beta^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\forall = \Delta x_1 \Delta x_2 = \beta \beta^{-1} = 1$$



2D Simple Flow: Kinematics

Flow Dynamics:

$$egin{array}{ll} G=\left(egin{array}{cc} 0&1\ 1-2\omega&0\end{array}
ight) \ \omega\in\left[0,1
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Flow Cases:



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ight) \sim 2.9 \end{array}
ight.$$



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$$\Delta_{lsq}(\omega,\beta) = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta x_1^2 (1-2\omega)^4 + \Delta x_2^{-2}}{(1-2\omega)^4 + 1}} = \sqrt{\frac{\beta^2 (1-2\omega)^4 + \beta^{-2}}{(1-2\omega)^4 + 1}}$$

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Mesh resilience study in DHIT ($L^3, L=2\pi$)



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Experimental study: Vogel and Eaton (1985)



$$ER = H/(H - h) = 5/4$$

$$Re_h = 28000, Re_\tau = 2500$$

Geom: $(4h + 20h) \times (h + 4h) \times 2h$
Mesh: $(58 + 242) \times (32 + 46) \times 60 \sim 1.28E6$

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