

# Passive scalars in turbulent boundary layers

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## Introduction (1/8)

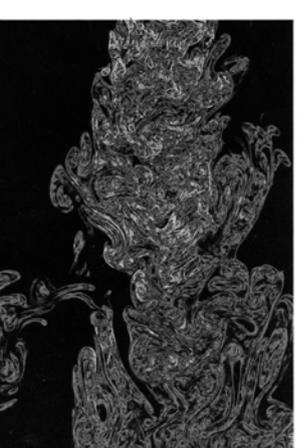
- Passive scalars (e.g.) temperature, pollutant, chemical species encountered in many engineering applications involving heat and mass transfer and atmospheric flows
- For small scalar differences and the low concentration, the scalar field does not affect the flow dynamics.
- Role of turbulence transporting and mixing the scalar effectively
  - 1) large scales playing a major part in transporting the scalar
  - 2) small scales indispensable in implementing the mixing at the molecular level

## Outline

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  - 1) Effects of the molecular Prandtl number
  - 2) Effects of the Reynolds number
  - 3) Inner and outer interactions
3. DNS on small-scale scalar mixing
  - 1) Effects of the Reynolds number
4. DNS databases in a channel flow with passive scalar transport

## Introduction (2/8)

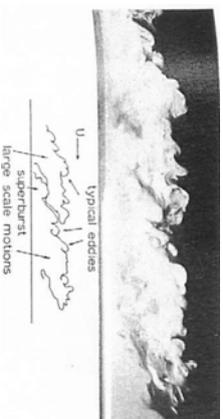
- Visualizations
  1. Experiment in a turbulent jetSreenivasan (1991)



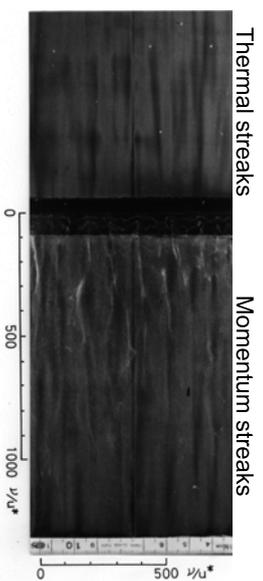
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### 2. Experiment in a turbulent boundary layer

Falco (1977)



Iritani et al. (1992)



## Introduction (5/8)

### ● Reynolds analogy

(viz. similarity between the momentum and scalar fields)

1)  $Pr \approx 1$ : the analogy holds reasonably

(e.g. spectral analogy by Antonia et al. 2009)

2)  $Pr \gg 1$  or  $Pr \ll 1$ : the analogy breaks down

### ● Reynolds decomposition

$$\bar{\Theta} = \bar{\Theta} + \theta$$

*Instantaneous scalar*    *Mean scalar*    *Scalar fluctuation*

[  $\bar{\quad}$  : averaging in space and time ]

### ● Averaged energy (conservation) equation

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\Theta}}{\partial t} + \bar{U}_j \frac{\partial \bar{\Theta}}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[ \frac{1}{Pe} \frac{\partial \bar{\Theta}}{\partial x_j} - \overline{u_j \theta} \right]$$

$-\overline{u_j \theta}$  ( turbulent scalar flux ) needs to be modeled.

## Introduction (4/8)

### ● Energy (conservation) equation

$$\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x_j} = \frac{1}{Pe} \frac{\partial^2 \Theta}{\partial x_j^2} \quad (Pe = Re \cdot Pr \text{ or } Pe = Re \cdot Sc)$$

$U_j$  : Instantaneous velocity component

$\Theta$  : Instantaneous scalar

$x_j$  : streamwise ( $x_1$  or  $x$ ) direction,

wall-normal ( $x_2$  or  $y$ ) direction,

spanwise ( $x_3$  or  $z$ ) direction

$Pe$  : Peclet number

$Re$  : Reynolds number

$Pr (= \nu/a)$  : Molecular Prandtl number

$Sc (= P/\nu)$  : Schmidt number

$\nu$  : Kinematic viscosity

$a$  : Thermal diffusivity

- 1)  $Pr \ll 1$     liquid metals
- 2)  $Pr \geq 1$     gas and liquids

mercury:  $Pr = 0.025$   
 air:  $Pr = 0.71$   
 water:  $Pr = 5 - 7$

## Introduction (6/8)

### ● Gradient-diffusion model

$$-\overline{u_j \theta} = a_j \frac{\partial \bar{\Theta}}{\partial x_j}$$

1) zero-equation model

$$a_j = \nu_t / Pr_t \quad (\text{e.g. } Pr_t \approx 0.9)$$

2) two-equation model

$$a_j = c_{\lambda} f_{\lambda} \frac{k^2}{\epsilon} R^p \quad (= c_{\lambda} f_{\lambda} k \tau_m) \quad [R = (k_{\theta} / \epsilon_{\theta}) / (k / \epsilon)]$$

- 1)  $p = 1/2$      $\tau_m = \sqrt{(k/\epsilon)(k_{\theta}/\epsilon_{\theta})}$  (Nagano & Kim 1988)
- 2)  $p = 2$      $\tau_m = k_{\theta} / \epsilon_{\theta}$  (Yoshizawa 1988)
- 3)  $p = 0$      $\tau_m = k / \epsilon$  ( $Pr_t = \text{constant}$ )

### ● Batchelor scale ( $\eta_B$ )

$$\eta_B = \eta Pr^{-1/2} \quad \left[ \eta \left( \equiv (\nu^3 / \epsilon)^{1/4} \right) : \text{Kolmogorov scale} \right]$$

$\eta_B$  is smaller than  $\eta$  when  $Pr > 1$ .

## Introduction (7/8)

- Experiments of wall turbulence
- 1) Heat transfer experiments in grid turbulence
  - Corrsin (1952)
  - Warhaft & Lumley (1978)
  - Tavoularis and Corrsin (1981)
- 2) Heat transfer experiments in a turbulent boundary layer
  - Perry & Hoffmann (1976)
  - Chen & Blackwelder (1978)
  - Subramaniann & Antonia (1981)
  - Antonia et al. (1988)
  - Iritani et al. (1992)
- Difficulties in experimental data acquisition
  - 1) near-wall region
  - 2) very high and low  $Pr$  fluids

## Introduction (8/8)

- DNSs (Direct Numerical Simulations) of wall turbulence
  - 1) The pioneering DNSs
    - Kim, Moin & Moser (1987) in a channel flow and Spalart (1988) in a turbulent boundary layer
  - 2) The first DNS with passive scalar transport
    - Kim & Moin (1989) in a turbulent channel flow
- $h^+ (=u_\tau h/\nu) = 180$  and  $Pr = 0.1, 0.71, 2$  [ $h^+ \equiv Re_\tau$ ]  
[The superscript + denotes the normalization by wall variables.]
- Advantage of DNS providing accurate information at any time and locations
- Disadvantage of DNS
  - 1) limitation of the Reynolds and Prandtl numbers
  - 2) difficulties in direct comparisons with experimental data

## DNS on passive scalar transport

### Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (1/12)

- DNSs of a turbulent channel flow
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- wider range of  $Pr$
  - several thermal boundary conditions
- 1) Kim and Moin (1989)
    - $h^+ = 180$  and  $Pr = 0.1, 0.71, 2$  (constant source heating)
  - 2) Kasagi et al. (1992); Kasagi and Ohtsubo (1993)
    - $h^+ = 150$  and  $Pr = 0.025, 0.71$  (constant heat flux)
  - 3) Kawamura et al. (1998)
    - $h^+ = 180$  and  $Pr = 0.025 - 5$  (constant heat flux)
  - 4) Na and Hanratty (2000)
    - $h^+ = 150$  and  $Pr = 1 - 10$  (constant temp. difference)
  - 5) Schwerfimm and Manhart (2007)
    - $h^+ = 180$  and  $Pr = 3 - 49$  (constant temp. difference)

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (2/12)

- DNSs of a turbulent pipe flow



- wider range of  $Pr$
- one thermal boundary condition

1) Redjem-Saad, Ould-Rouiss & Lauriat (2007)

$Re^+ = 180$  and  $Pr = 0.026 - 1.0$  (constant heat flux)

- DNSs of a turbulent boundary layer



- several values of  $Pr$
- two thermal boundary conditions

1) Bell & Ferziger (1993)

$\delta_{99}^+ \approx 140 - 280$  and  $Pr = 0.1, 0.71, 2$  (isothermal)

2) Kong, Choi & Lee (2000)

$\delta_{99}^+ \approx 140$  and  $Pr = 0.71$  (isothermal and isoflux)

3) Tohdoh, Iwamoto & Kawamura (2007)

$\delta_{99}^+ \approx 140$  and  $Pr = 0.71, 2$  (isothermal)

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (3/12)

- Here, we focus on two DNSs in a turbulent channel flow by Kim and Moin (1989) and Kawamura et al. (1998)

- Thermal boundary conditions for the latter two DNSs

$$\frac{\partial \Theta^+}{\partial t^{\#}} + U_j^+ \frac{\partial \Theta^+}{\partial x_j^{\#}} = \frac{1}{h^+ Pr} \frac{\partial^2 \Theta^+}{\partial x_j^{\#2}} + Q^+ \quad (\Theta = 0 \text{ at } y=0 \text{ and } 2h)$$

(1) Constant source heating (Kim and Moin 1989)

(Scalar is created internally and removed from both walls)

$$Q^+ = 2$$

(2) Constant heat flux (Kawamura et al. 1998)

(Both walls are heated with constant heat flux, where the bulk mean temperature increases linearly with  $x$ )

$$Q^+ = U_j^+ \frac{2}{\int_0^2 \bar{U}_j dy^{\#}}$$

[ The superscript # denotes the normalization by outer variable. ]

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (4/12)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Mean temperature

Rms of the temperature fluctuation

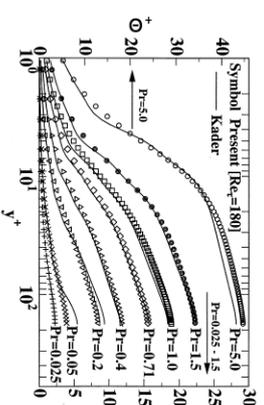


Fig. 2. Mean temperature profile with an emphasis on the logarithmic region.

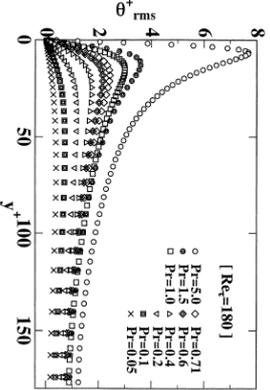


Fig. 15. Temperature variance for various Prandtl numbers.

Kawamura et al. (1998)

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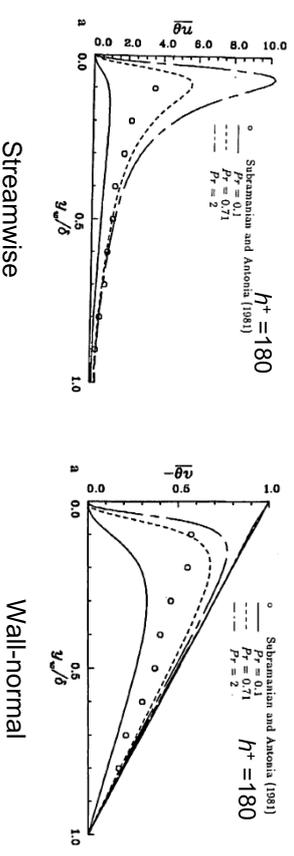
Kader denotes the empirical formula of Kader (1981).

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (5/12)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Turbulent heat flux

Kim & Moin (1989)



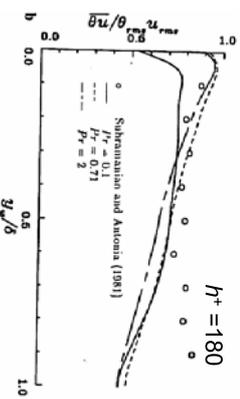
Unlike  $\overline{v\theta}$ , no limitation for the magnitude of  $\overline{u\theta}$

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (6/12)

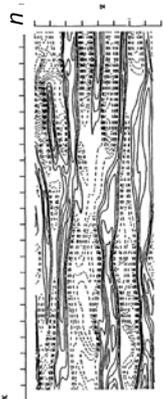
— Turbulent channel flow —

Correlation coefficients for

Kim & Moin (1989)



Excellent similarity between  $u$  and  $\theta$  near the wall when  $Pr \approx 1$



Instantaneous fields ( $h^+ = 180$  and  $Pr = 0.71$  at  $y^+ = 5$ )

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (7/12)

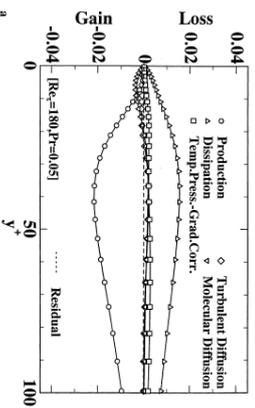
— Turbulent channel flow —

Budget of  $\overline{v^+ \theta^+}$

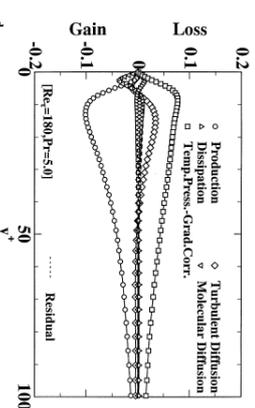
$$0 = \underbrace{-\overline{\theta^+ u_x^+} \frac{\partial \overline{u^+}}{\partial x_j} - u_x^+ u_j^+ \frac{\partial \overline{\theta^+}}{\partial x_j} + u_x^+ u_x^+ \frac{\partial \overline{\theta^+}}{\partial x_j}}_{\text{Production}} + \underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{2} \overline{\theta^+ u_x^+ u_j^+} - \overline{\theta^+} \frac{\partial p^+}{\partial x_j} \right)}_{\text{TPG}} - \underbrace{\left( 1 + \frac{1}{Pr} \right) \left( \frac{\partial u_x^+}{\partial x_j} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \theta^+}{\partial x_j} \right)}_{\text{Turbulent Diff.}}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \overline{\theta^+ \frac{\partial u_x^+}{\partial x_j}} + \frac{1}{Pr} \overline{u_x^+ \frac{\partial \theta^+}{\partial x_j}} \right)}_{\text{Molecular Diff.}}$$

Dominant sink term: Dissipation



Dominant sink term: TPG



Kawamura et al. (1998)

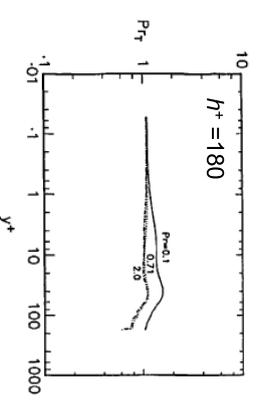
## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (8/12)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Turbulent Prandtl number ( $Pr_t$ )

$$Pr_t = \frac{V_L}{a_i} = \frac{\overline{uv} \frac{d\overline{\Theta}}{dy}}{\overline{v\theta} \frac{dU}{dy}}$$

$v_y$ : turbulent eddy viscosity  
 $a_t$ : turbulent eddy diffusivity



Antonia & Kim (1991)

$Pr_t \approx 1.1$  (wall value) when  $Pr > 0.1$

(Kim & Moin 1989; Antonia & Kim 1991)

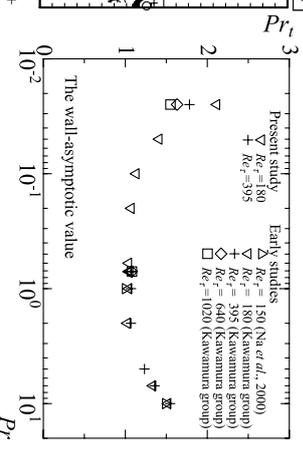
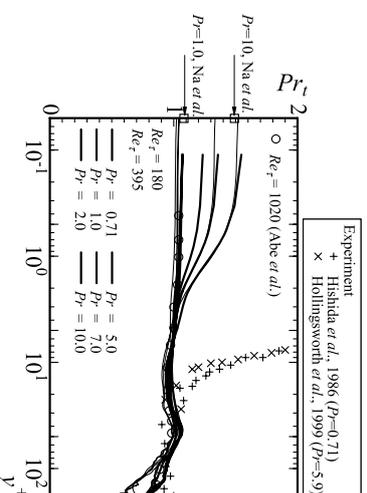
The similar trend was reported in DNSs of a pipe and TBL.

Reynolds (1975)  
For  $Pr > 1$   $Pr_t \rightarrow$  finite constant  
For  $Pr < 1$   $Pr_t \propto Pr^{-1}$  or  $Pr_t \propto Pr^{-n}$  ( $n < 1$ )

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (9/12)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Turbulent Prandtl number ( $Pr_t$ )



$0.2 < Pr < 2.0$

$Pr_t \approx 1.1$  (constant)

Kozuka, Seki & Kawamura (2009)

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (10/12)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Time scale ratio

$$R = \frac{\tau_\theta}{\tau_u} = \frac{k_\theta \bar{\epsilon}}{\epsilon_\theta k}$$

At the wall,  $R=Pr$

$$\left( \begin{aligned} k_\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \overline{b_\theta^2} y^2 + \dots \\ \overline{\epsilon_\theta} &= \kappa \overline{b_\theta^2} + \dots \\ k &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \overline{b_1^2} + \overline{b_3^2} \right) y^2 + \dots \\ \bar{\epsilon} &= \nu \left( \overline{b_1^2} + \overline{b_3^2} \right) + \dots \end{aligned} \right)$$

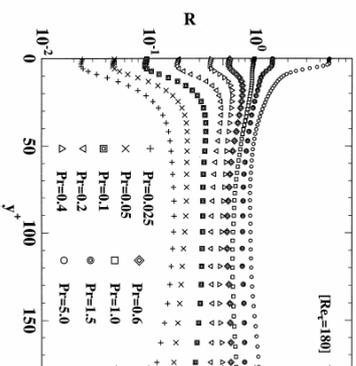


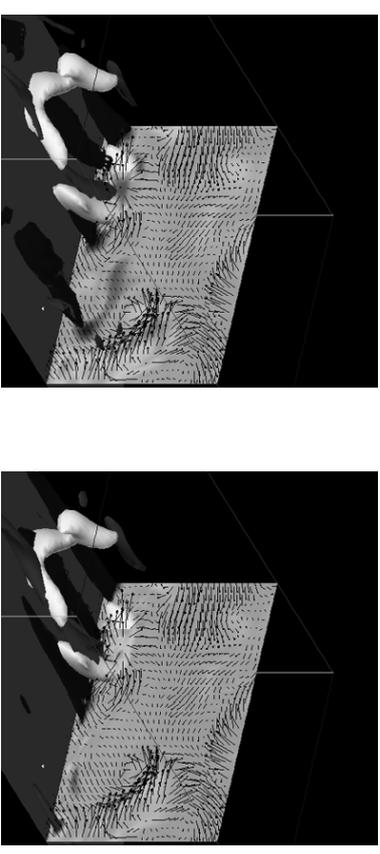
Fig. 10. Time constant ratio.

Kawamura et al. (1998)

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (12/12)

— Turbulent channel flow —

High and low temperature streaks



$Pr = 1.0$

$Re_\tau = 180$

$Pr = 5.0$

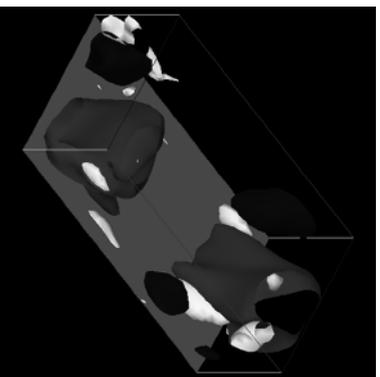
(red:  $T^+ > 4.0$ , blue:  $T^+ < -4.0$   
 $p^+ > -3.0$ )

(red:  $T^+ > 10.0$ , blue:  $T^+ < -10.0$   
 $p^+ > -3.0$ )

Kawamura et al. (1998)

## Effects of the molecular Prandtl number (11/12)

— Turbulent channel flow —  
High and low temperature streaks



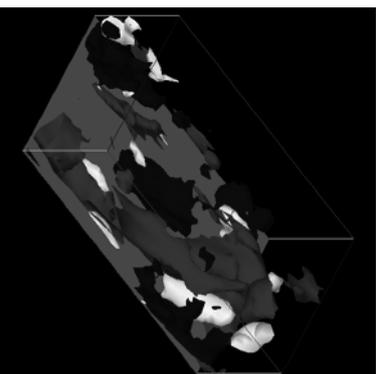
$Pr = 0.025$

$Re_\tau = 180$

$Pr = 0.71$

(red:  $T^+ > 0.23$ , blue:  $T^+ < -0.23$   
 $p^+ > -3.0$ )

(red:  $T^+ > 3.0$ , blue:  $T^+ < -3.0$   
 $p^+ > -3.0$ )



Kawamura et al. (1999)

## Effects of the Reynolds number (1/11)

• DNSs of a turbulent channel flow

1) Wikström & Johansson (1998)

$h^+ = 265$  and  $Pr = 0.71$

2) Kawamura et al. (1999)

$h^+ = 180, 395$  and  $Pr = 0.025, 0.2, 0.71$

3) Abe, Kawamura & Matsuo (2004)

$h^+ = 180, 395, 640, 1020$  and  $Pr = 0.025, 0.71$

4) Kozuka, Seki & Kawamura (2009)

$h^+ = 180, 395$  and  $Pr = 0.71 - 10$

• DNSs of a turbulent boundary layer

1) Hattori, Houra & Nagano (2007)

$\delta_{99}^+ \approx 380$  and  $Pr = 0.71$

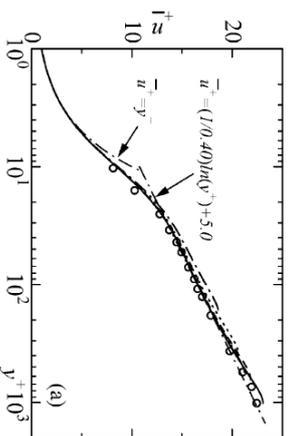
2) Li et al. (2009)

$\delta_{99}^+ = 70 - 315$  and  $Pr = 0.1, 0.71, 2$

## Effects of the Reynolds number (2/11)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Mean velocity



Mean temperature

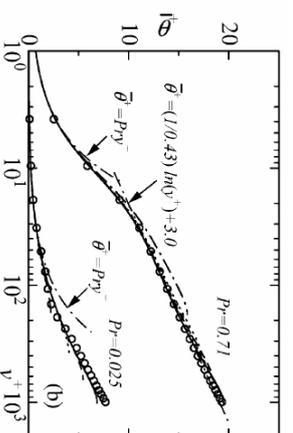


Fig. 1. Mean velocity and temperature distributions: —,  $Re_\tau = 1020$ ; - - -,  $Re_\tau = 640$ ; ···,  $Re_\tau = 395$ ; ····,  $Re_\tau = 180$ . (a)  $u^+$ ; ····, Moser et al. (1999) for  $Re_\tau = 590$ ; ○, Wei and Willmarth (1989) for  $Re_\tau \approx 1017$ ; (b)  $\theta^+$ ; ○, Kader (1981) for  $Re_\tau = 1020$ .

Abe et al. (Int. J. Heat and Fluid Flow, 2004)

## Effects of the Reynolds number (4/11)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Rms of streamwise velocity and temperature fluctuations

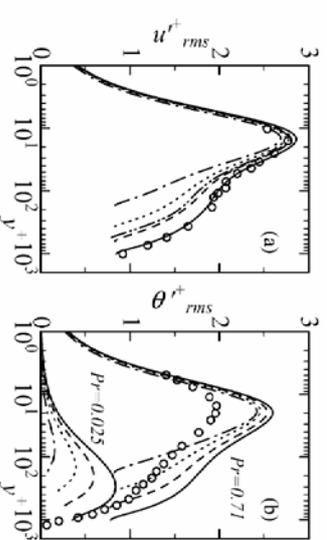


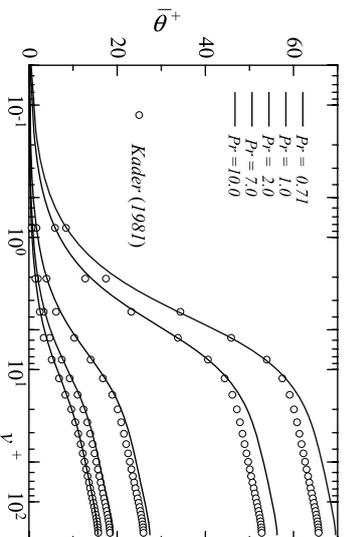
Fig. 2. Rms of streamwise velocity and temperature fluctuations: —,  $Re_\tau = 1020$ ; - - -,  $Re_\tau = 640$ ; ···,  $Re_\tau = 395$ ; ····,  $Re_\tau = 180$ . (a)  $u'^+_{rms}$ ; ····, Moser et al. (1999) for  $Re_\tau = 590$ ; ○, Wei and Willmarth (1989) for  $Re_\tau \approx 1017$ ; (b)  $\theta'^+_{rms}$ ; ○, Subramanian and Antonia (1981) for  $Re_\tau \approx 1055$ .

Abe et al. (Int. J. Heat and Fluid Flow, 2004)

## Effects of the Reynolds number (3/11)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Mean temperature ( $h^+ = 395$ )



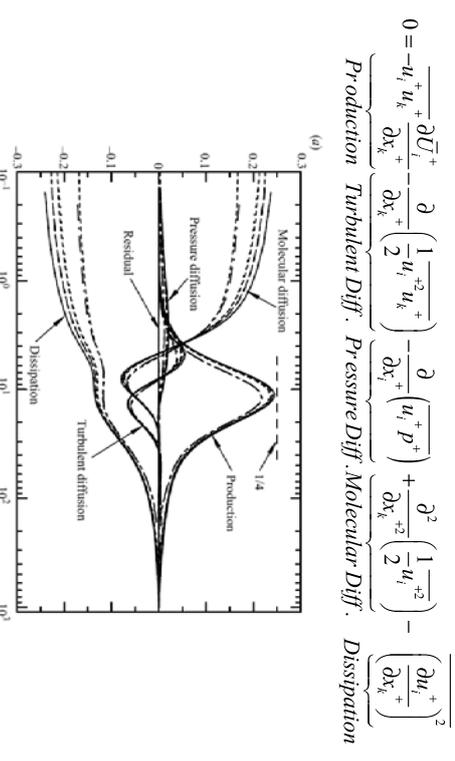
The predictions of Kader (1981) seem to be poor for higher Pr fluids.

Kozuka, Seki & Kawamura (2009)

## Effects of the Reynolds number (5/11)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Budget of  $k^+$  ( $\equiv u'^+_{rms}/2$ )



$P_{k,max}^+ = 1/4$  (theoretically)

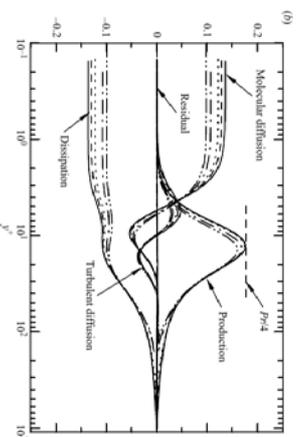
Abe et al. (2009)

## Effects of the Reynolds number (6/11)

– Turbulent channel flow –

Budget of  $k_\theta^+ \left( \equiv \overline{\theta'^2} / 2 \right)$

$$0 = \underbrace{-\overline{\theta'^+ u_j'} \frac{\partial \overline{\theta^+}}{\partial x_j} + \overline{\theta'^+ u_j'} \frac{\partial \overline{u_j^+}}{\partial x_j}}_{\text{Production}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \frac{1 - \overline{\theta'^2} u_j^+}{2} \right)}_{\text{Turbulent Diff.}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{Pr} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j^2} \left( \frac{1 - \overline{\theta'^2}}{2} \right)}_{\text{Molecular Diff.}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{Pr} \left[ \frac{\partial \overline{\theta^+}}{\partial x_j} \right]^2}_{\text{Dissipation}}$$



$P_{k\theta, \max}^+ = Pr/4$  (theoretically)

Abe et al. (2009)

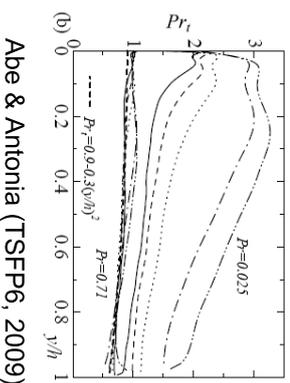
## Effects of the Reynolds number (7/11)

– Turbulent channel flow –

Turbulent Prandtl number ( $Pr_t$ )

$$Pr_t = \frac{V_t}{a_t} = \frac{\overline{uv}}{\overline{v\theta}} \frac{d\overline{\Theta}/dy}{d\overline{U}/dy}$$

$V_t$ : turbulent eddy viscosity  
 $a_t$ : turbulent eddy diffusivity



Abe & Antonia (TSFP6, 2009)

1.  $Pr=0.71$

1)  $Pr_t = 1.1$  (wall value)

2)  $Pr_t = 0.9 - 1.1$  ( $y^+=0 - 100$ )

3)  $Pr_t = 0.9 - 0.3$  ( $y/h > 0.2$ )

(i) analogous to the formula of Rotta (1964) in TBL

(ii) applicable to water ( $Pr=5-7$ )

2.  $Pr=0.025$

1) Decrease with increasing Re

2) Not scaled by either  $y^+$  or  $y/h$

## Effects of the Reynolds number (8/11)

– Turbulent channel flow –

Time scale ratio

$$R = \frac{\tau_\theta}{\tau_u} = \frac{k_\theta \bar{\varepsilon}}{\tau_u \varepsilon_\theta k}$$

1. At the wall

$$R = Pr$$

2. In the outer region

1)  $Pr=0.71$   $R \approx 0.5$

(consistent with the finding of Bégquier et al. 1978)

2)  $Pr=0.025$  Not scaled by either  $y^+$  or  $y/h$

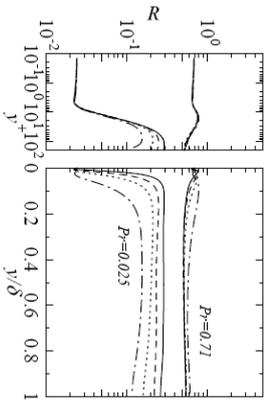


Figure 8. Time scale ratio: —  $Re_\tau=1020$ ; - - -  $Re_\tau=640$ ; .....  $Re_\tau=395$ ; - - - -  $Re_\tau=180$

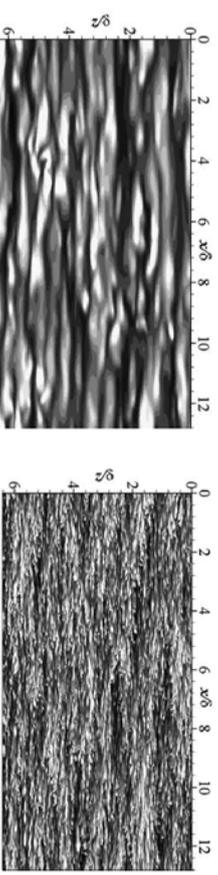
Kawamura et al. (AFMC, 2004)

## Effects of the Reynolds number (9/11)

– Turbulent channel flow –

Instantaneous fields ( $Pr=0.71$ )

Surface heat-flux fluctuations (temperature fluctuations at  $y=0$ )



$Re_\tau=180$

$Re_\tau=1020$

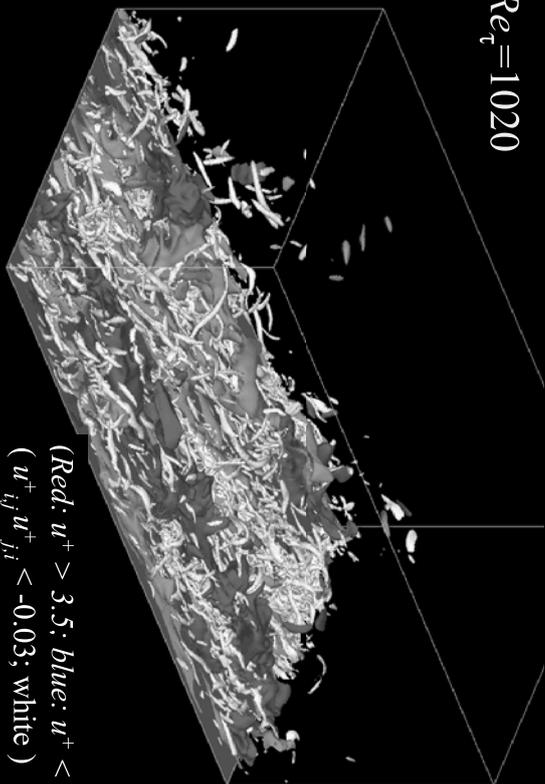
Dense clustering structure

Abe et al. (Int. J. Heat and Fluid Flow, 2004)

### Turbulent channel flow

Abe, Kawamura & Matsuo (Int. Heat and Fluid Flow, 2004)

$$Re_{\tau} = 1020$$



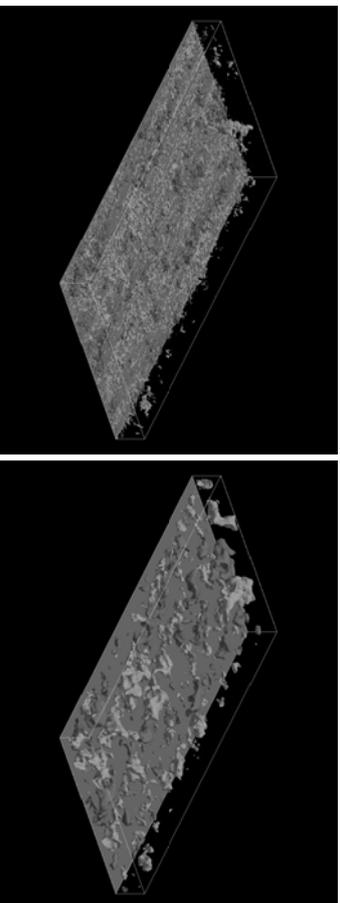
(Red:  $u^+ > 3.5$ ; blue:  $u^+ < -3.5$ )  
 ( $u^+_{ij}; u^+_{ji} < -0.03$ ; white)

The box visualized here is  $2550 \times 1020 \times 1275$  ( $\nu/u_{\tau}^3$ ) in the  $x, y$  and  $z$  directions, respectively.

### Turbulent channel flow

Abe, Kawamura & Matsuo (Int. Heat and Fluid Flow, 2004)

$$Re_{\tau} = 1020$$



$$\theta^+ (Pr = 0.71)$$

(Red:  $\theta^+ > 3.5$ ; blue:  $\theta^+ < -3.5$ )

$$\theta^+ (Pr = 0.025)$$

(Red:  $\theta^+ > 1.2$ ; blue:  $\theta^+ < -1.2$ )

Scalar field

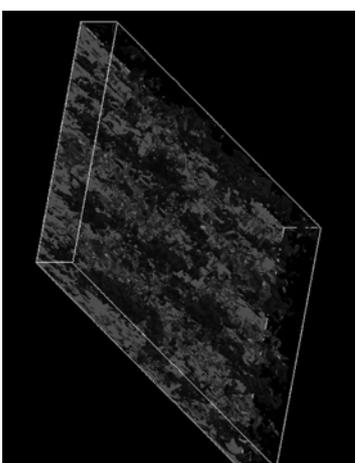
Visualized domain is bottom half of the computational domain.

### Effects of the Reynolds number (10/11)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Very large-scale structures of  $u$

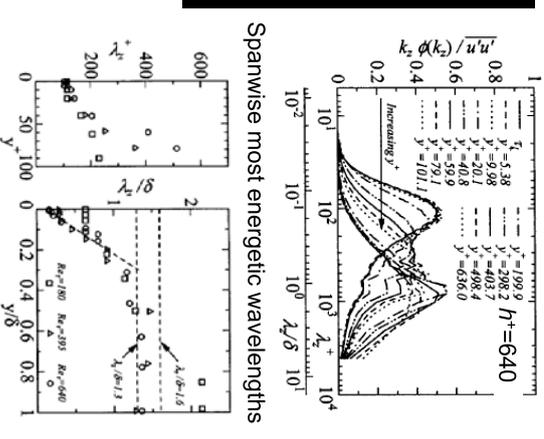
Spanwise pre-multiplied spectra



Spanwise spacing: 1.3 — 1.6 $\delta$

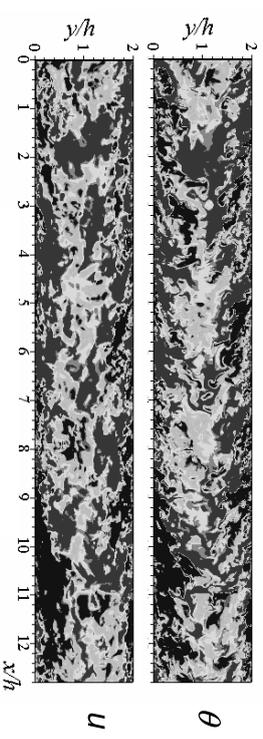
Red — high speed ( $u^+_{rms} > 1.75$ )  
 Blue — low speed ( $u^+_{rms} < -1.75$ )

Abe et al. (ASME J. Fluid Eng. 2004)



### Effects of the Reynolds number (11/11)

Instantaneous fields ( $h^+ = 1020$  and  $Pr = 0.71$ , Channel)



Steeper interfaces for  $\theta$  than for  $u$

Antonia et al. (2009)

Instantaneous fields ( $Pr = 0.71$ , TBL)



Li et al. (2009)

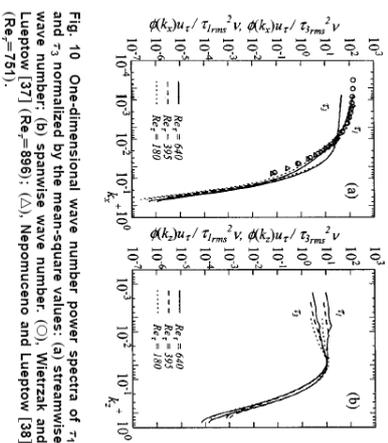
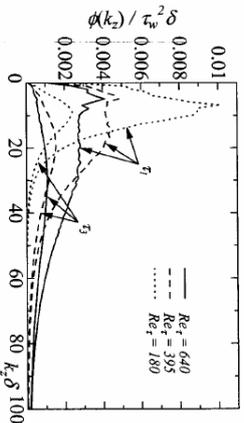
## Inner and outer interactions (1/4)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Wall shear-stress fluctuations

- 1) Streamwise:  $\tau_1 = \mu (\partial u / \partial y)|_w$
- 2) Spanwise:  $\tau_3 = \mu (\partial w / \partial y)|_w$

Spanwise spectra in linear scales



Local peaks appear in the spanwise spectra at low wavenumbers.

H. Abe, H. Kawamura & H. Choi (ASME J. Fluid Eng. 2004)

Wall shear-stress spectra

## Inner and outer interactions (3/4)

— Turbulent boundary layer —

Spanwise two-point correlations of wall shear-stress fluctuation

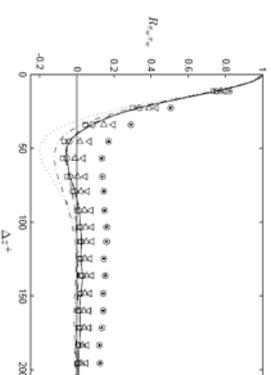


FIGURE 3. Spanwise correlation coefficient  $R_{\tau_{xx}}$  as a function of  $\Delta x^+$ .  $Re_{\tau} = 9900$  (○),  $2200$  (□),  $1100$  (△),  $500$  (◇); unfiltered, ○, □, △, ◇;  $f^2 = 1.3 \times 10^{-3}$ , ◐, ◑;  $f^2 = 2.6 \times 10^{-2}$ , ◒, ◓;  $f^2 = 5.3 \times 10^{-1}$ , ◔, ◕; ◖, ◗: sine fit to  $\circ$ , DNS of channel flow; correlations of  $\tau$  at  $y^+ = 5$ . —:  $Re_{\tau} = 500$ , - - - :  $Re_{\tau} = 300$ , ···· :  $Re_{\tau} = 180$  (Kim et al. 1987; Moser et al. 1999).

Österlund et al. (2003)

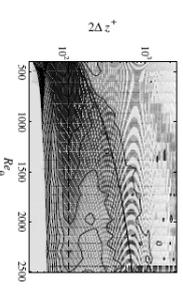


FIG. 4. Spanwise two-point correlation  $R_{\tau_{xx}}$  of the wall-shear stress  $\tau_w$  computed from DNS. The spanwise axis is scaled by the displacement  $2\Delta x^+$  to show the spanwise pattern spacing. (—) corresponds to  $0.85\delta_{99}$ , (---) to  $120\delta^+$ . Shaded range from dark ( $R_{\tau_{xx}} \leq -0.06$ ) to light ( $R_{\tau_{xx}} \geq 0.006$ ); contour lines go from  $-0.15$  to  $0.15$  with spacing  $0.02$ .

Schlatte et al. (2009)

## Inner and outer interactions (2/4)

— Turbulent channel flow —

Spanwise two-point correlations near the wall

Streamwise velocity fluctuation

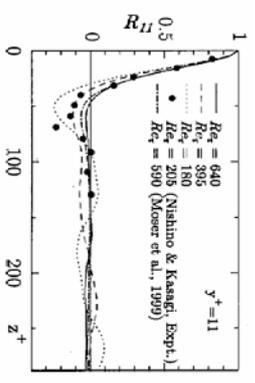
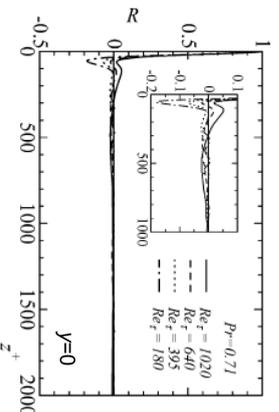


Fig. 8 Spanwise two-point correlation coefficient  $R_{uu}$  at  $y^+ = 11$

Temperature fluctuation



Abe et al. (ASME J. Fluid Eng., 2001)

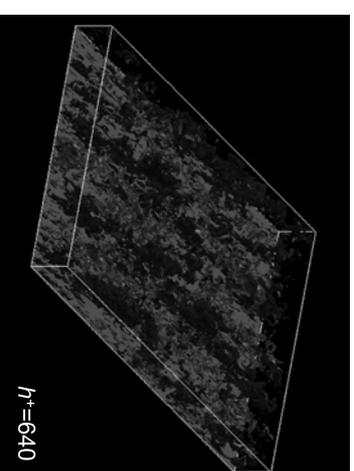
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The negative peaks become less pronounced with  $h^+$ .

## Inner and outer interactions (4/4)

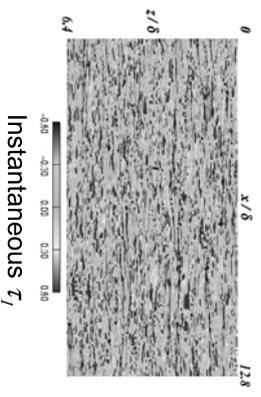
— Turbulent channel flow —

Instantaneous fields



Spanwise spacing: 1.3 – 1.6 $\delta$

Red – high speed ( $u'/u'_{rms} > 1.75$ )  
Blue – low speed ( $u'/u'_{rms} < -1.75$ )



Instantaneous  $\tau_1$

Filtered  $\tau_1$  overshadowed with streamwise low velocity regions ( $u'/u'_{rms} < -1.75$ )

Abe et al. (ASME J. Fluid Eng. 2004)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (2/12)

### Approach

The focus is on the relationship between the three components of the fluctuating vorticity vector  $\omega_i$  ( $i=1, 2, 3$  represent the streamwise, wall-normal and spanwise directions, respectively) and those of the fluctuating scalar derivative vector  $\theta_i$  ( $\equiv \partial\theta/\partial x_i$ ).

In particular, we compare mean-square values, correlation coefficients and instantaneous fields associated with those two vector fields.

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing

### DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (1/12)

There are only a few DNS works in wall turbulence.

- DNSs of turbulent channel flow

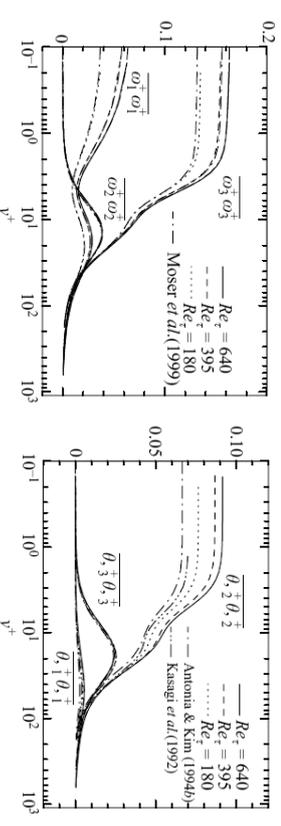
- 1) Antonia and Kim (1994) examined the isotropy of the small scales for  $Re_\tau = 180, 392$  and  $Pr=0.71$ .
- 2) Abe, Antonia and Kawamura (2009) investigated the spatial structures associated with these scales across the channel for  $Re_\tau = 180, 395, 640$  and  $Pr=0.71$ .

Here, we focus on the latter DNS (Abe et al. 2009).

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (3/12)

### Mean-square values normalized by wall variables



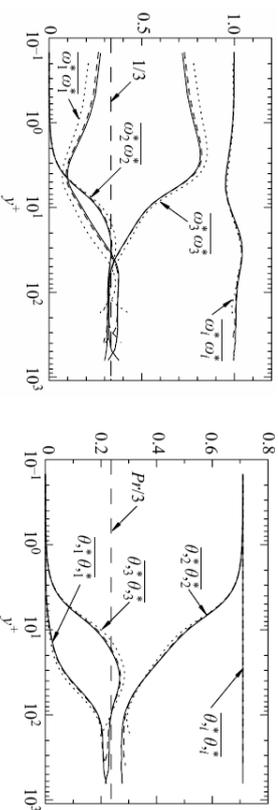
- 1) Good similarity between  $\overline{\omega_3\omega_3}$  and  $\overline{\theta_2\theta_2}$  between  $\overline{\omega_2\omega_2}$  and  $\overline{\theta_{33}\theta_{33}}$

- 2) Corrsin (1953) first indicated the similarity when comparing the transport equations of  $\overline{\theta_1\theta_1}$ ,  $\overline{\theta_2\theta_2}$  and  $\overline{\omega_1\omega_1}$ .

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (4/12)

Mean-square values normalized by Kolmogorov and Batchelor scales



1) Larger anisotropy for  $\overline{\theta_{i,\alpha} \theta_{i,\alpha}}$  than for  $\overline{\omega_i^+ \omega_i^+}$

2) Local axisymmetry

$$\overline{\omega_\alpha \omega_\alpha} \text{ for } y^+ > 60 \quad \overline{\theta_{i,\alpha} \theta_{i,\alpha}} \text{ for } y^+ > 100$$

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (6/12)

• Transport equation of  $\overline{\theta_{i,j}^+ \theta_{i,j}^+}$

$$0 = \underbrace{-2\overline{\theta_{i,j}^+ u_j^+} \frac{\partial \overline{\theta_{i,j}^+}}{\partial x_j^+}}_{\text{gradient production}} + 2 \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial \overline{T_w^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \overline{u_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \overline{\theta_{i,j}^+}}{\partial x_i^+} \right)}_{\text{gradient production}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j^+} \left( \overline{\theta_{i,j}^+ \theta_{i,j}^+ u_j^+} \right) - 2\overline{\theta_{i,j}^+ \theta_{i,j}^+} \frac{\partial \overline{u_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} - \frac{\partial \overline{u_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \frac{\partial \overline{\theta_{i,j}^+}}{\partial x_i^+} - \frac{\partial \overline{\theta_{i,j}^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \frac{\partial \overline{\theta_{i,j}^+}}{\partial x_i^+} + \underbrace{2 \left( \frac{\partial \overline{T_w^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \overline{u_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \overline{\theta_{i,j}^+}}{\partial x_i^+} \right)}_{\text{mean gradient production (1) mean gradient production (2)}} = 0$$

• Transport equation of  $\overline{\omega_i^+ \omega_i^+}$

$$0 = \underbrace{-2\overline{\omega_i^+ u_j^+} \frac{\partial \overline{\omega_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+}}_{\text{gradient production}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j^+} \left( \overline{\omega_i^+ \omega_i^+ u_j^+} \right) + \underbrace{\overline{\omega_i^+ \omega_i^+}}_{\text{mean gradient production (1)}} \left( \frac{\partial \overline{u_j^+}}{\partial x_i^+} + \frac{\partial \overline{u_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \right) + \underbrace{\overline{\omega_i^+ \omega_j^+}}_{\text{mean gradient production (2)}} \left( \frac{\partial \overline{u_j^+}}{\partial x_i^+} + \frac{\partial \overline{u_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \right) + \underbrace{\omega_i^+ \omega_j^+ \left( \frac{\partial \overline{u_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} + \frac{\partial \overline{u_j^+}}{\partial x_i^+} \right)}_{\text{molecular diffusion}} - 2 \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial \overline{\omega_i^+}}{\partial x_j^+} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \overline{\omega_j^+}}{\partial x_i^+} \right)}_{\text{dissipation}}$$

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (5/12)

Corrsin (1953)

• Temperature derivative

$$\Theta_{,i} = \overline{\Theta_{,i}} + \theta_{,i} \quad \left( \Theta_{,i} \equiv \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

• Vorticity

$$\Omega_i = \overline{\Omega_i} + \omega_i$$

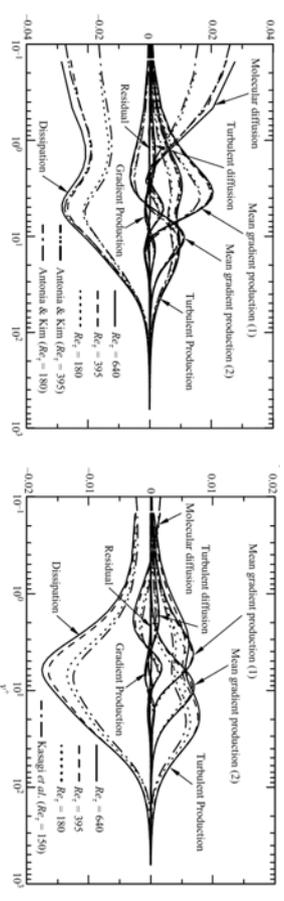
$\Theta_{,i}$  is lamellar  $(\nabla \times \Theta_{,i} \equiv 0)$

$\Omega_i$  is solenoidal  $(\nabla \cdot \Omega_i \equiv 0)$

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (7/12)

Budget of



(Abe et al. 2009)

1) Good similarity except close to the wall

2) Noticeable differences close to the wall due to differences in BCs

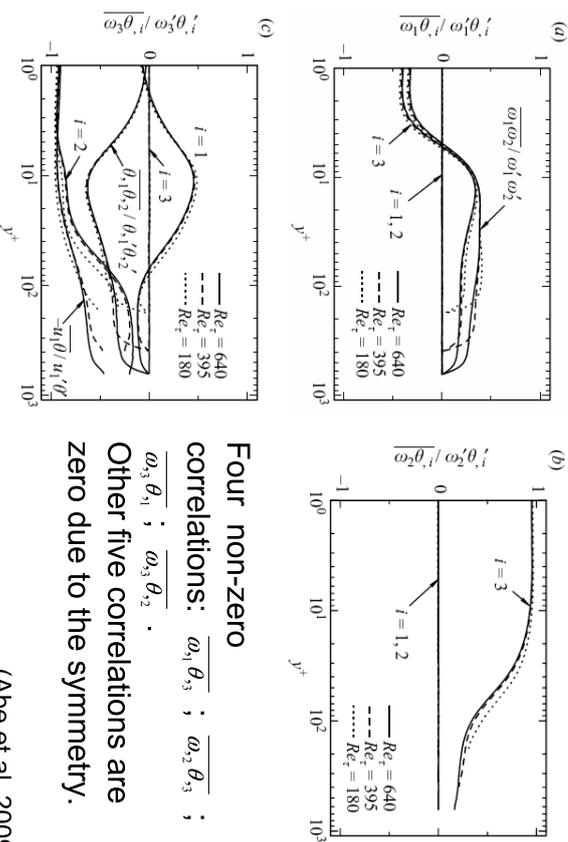
3) Significant Re effects for the production terms (except for the gradient production term) and the dissipation rate term

(Abe et al. 2009)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_i^+ = b_3 + 2c_3 y^+ + O(y^{+2}) \\ \omega_3^+ = -b - 2c_3 y^+ + O(y^{+2}) \\ \theta_{2,i}^+ = b_\theta + O(y^{+2}) \end{pmatrix}$$

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (8/12)

Correlation coefficients between  $\omega_i$  and  $\theta_i$

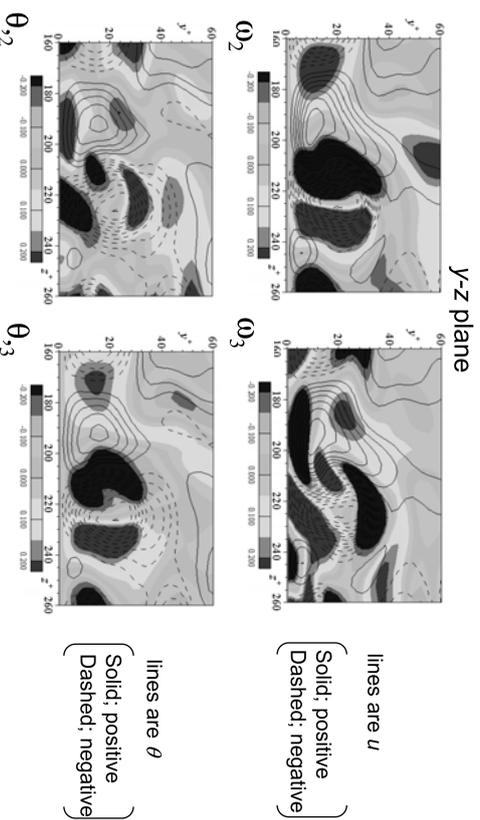


Four non-zero correlations:  $\overline{\omega_1 \theta_3}$  ;  $\overline{\omega_2 \theta_3}$  ;  $\overline{\omega_3 \theta_1}$  ;  $\overline{\omega_3 \theta_2}$  .  
Other five correlations are zero due to the symmetry.

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (9/12)

Instantaneous fields ( $h^+=180$  and  $Pr=0.71$ )



lines are  $u$

Solid: positive  
Dashed: negative

lines are  $\theta$

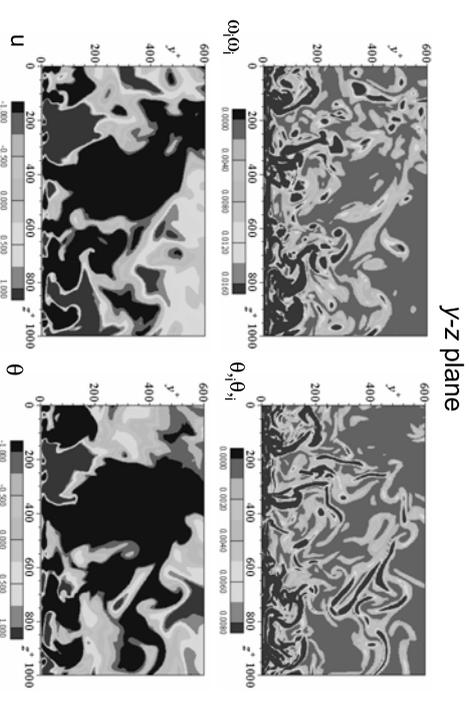
Solid: positive  
Dashed: negative

Good similarity between  $\omega_2$  and  $\theta_3$   
and between  $\omega_3$  and  $\theta_2$

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (10/12)

Instantaneous fields ( $h^+=640$  and  $Pr=0.71$ )

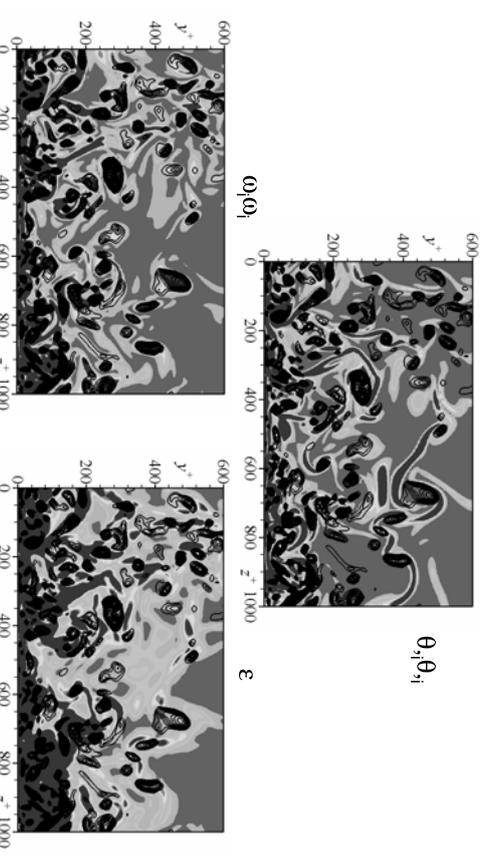


In the outer region,  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  exhibits sheet-like structures

(Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (11/12)

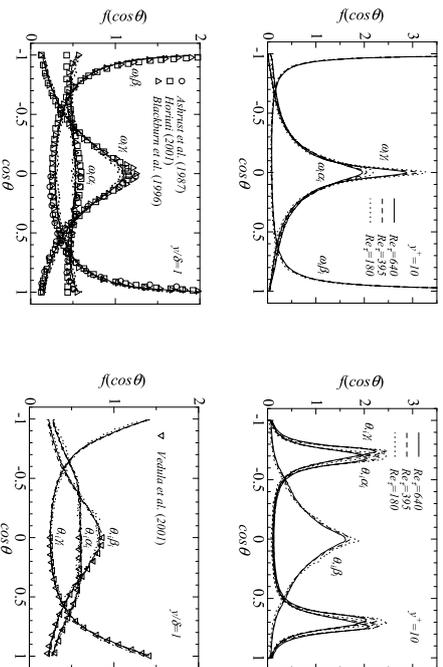
Instantaneous fields ( $h^+=640$  and  $Pr=0.71$ )



Lines denote positive values of the second invariant of the velocity gradient tensor  $Q (= \omega_i \omega_i / 4 - s_{ij} s_{ij} / 2 = -u_{ij} u_{ij} / 2)$  (Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS on small-scale scalar mixing (12/12)

PDFs for the cosine of the angle between  $\omega_i$  and the principal strain rate directions and between  $\theta_i$  and the principal strain rate directions



$\alpha_i$ : Extensive eigenvector;  $\beta_i$ : Intermediate eigenvector  
 $\gamma_i$ : Compressive eigenvector (Abe et al. 2009)

## DNS databases in a turbulent channel flow with passive scalar transport

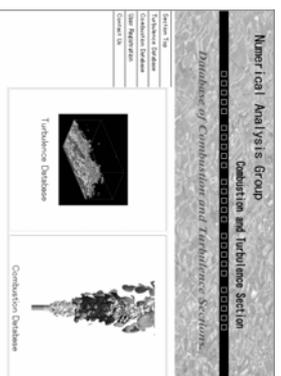
Database sites

- 1) URL: <http://murasun.me.noda.tus.ac.jp/>
- 2) URL: <http://www.iat.jaxa.jp/db/index.html/>

(Collaborative work between JAXA and Tokyo Univ. Science)

$h^+ = 180, 395, 640, 1020$  and  $Pr = 0.025, 0.71$  (11 cases)

Website of Tokyo Univ. Science



Website of JAXA

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