

USING MACHINE LEARNING FOR WALL FUNCTIONS INCLUDING PRESSURE GRADIENTS

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- The ML will then be some form of **regression method**.

INITIAL WORK [1]

- Machine Learning (Neural Network) wall functions were developed
- Good results for channel flow placing the wall-adjacent cell at different locations
- Good results for developing boundary layer flow
- You can download my paper where I used `svr` [here](#)

THE AKN LOW-REYNOLDS NUMBER FOR IDDES

$$\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \bar{v}_j k}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\left(\nu + \frac{\nu_t}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right] + P_k - \psi \varepsilon, \quad \psi = \frac{L_t}{L_{hyb}}, \quad L_t = \frac{k^{3/2}}{\varepsilon}$$

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$$\nu_t = C_\mu f_\mu \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon}, \quad P_k = \nu_t \left(\frac{\partial \bar{v}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \bar{v}_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \frac{\partial \bar{v}_i}{\partial x_j}, \quad C_{\varepsilon 1} = 1.5, \quad C_{\varepsilon 2} = 1.9, \quad C_\mu = 0.09, \quad \sigma_k = 1.4$$

The damping functions are defined as

$$f_2 = \left[1 - \exp \left(-\frac{y^*}{3.1} \right) \right]^2 \left\{ 1 - 0.3 \exp \left[-\left(\frac{R_t}{6.5} \right)^2 \right] \right\}, \quad y^* = \frac{u_\varepsilon d}{\nu}$$

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where d denotes the distance to the wall.

THE IDDES MODEL

$$L_{hyb} = f_d(1 + f_e)L_t + (1 - f_d)C_{DES}\Delta \quad (1)$$

where the Δ length scale is defined as

$$\Delta = \min \{ \max [C_w d_w, C_w h_{max}, h_{wn}], h_{max} \}$$

and $C_w = 0.15$, d_w is the distance to the wall; h_{wn} is the grid step in wall normal dir.

$$f_d = \max \{ (1 - f_{dt}), f_B \}, \quad f_e = \max \{ (f_{e1} - 1), 0 \} f_{e2} \quad (2)$$

where the functions f_{dt} and f_B entering Eq. 2 are given by

$$f_{dt} = 1 - \tanh \left[(8r_{dt})^3 \right], \quad f_B = \min \left\{ 2 \exp \left(-9\alpha^2 \right), 1 \right\}, \quad \alpha = 0.25 - d_w/h_{max} \quad (3)$$

THE IDDES MODEL

- The functions f_{e1} and f_{e2} in Eq. 2 read

$$f_{e1} = \begin{cases} 2 \exp(-11.09\alpha^2) & \text{if } \alpha \geq 0 \\ 2 \exp(-9\alpha^2) & \text{if } \alpha < 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_{e2} = 1 - \max\{f_t, f_l\}$$

where the functions f_t and f_l are given by

$$f_t = \tanh \left[\left(c_t^2 r_{dt} \right)^3 \right], \quad f_l = \tanh \left[\left(c_l^2 r_{dl} \right)^{10} \right]$$

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- The constants c_t and c_l given the same values as in the $k - \omega$ SST model, i.e. $c_t = 1.87$ and $c_l = 5$ [5]. The quantities r_{dt} (also entering Eq. 3) and r_{dl} , are defined as follows

$$r_{dt} = \frac{\nu_t}{\kappa^2 d_w^2 \max\{|\bar{S}|, 10^{-10}\}}$$
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- The IDDES model is implemented in the folder `hump-IDDES-ni-583-go4hybrid-mesh-STG-dt-0.002-GPU/` in **pyCALC-LES**.

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$$\begin{aligned} \rho u_\tau^2 &: \bar{u} \text{ equation} \\ C_\mu^{-1/2} u_\tau^2 &: k \text{ equation} \\ \frac{u_\tau^3}{\kappa y} &: \varepsilon \text{ equation} \end{aligned}$$

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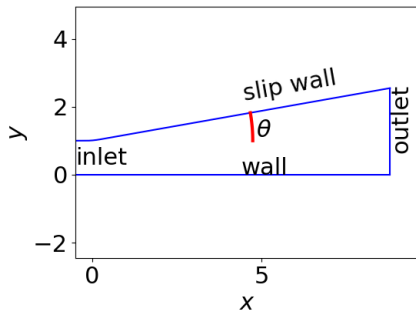
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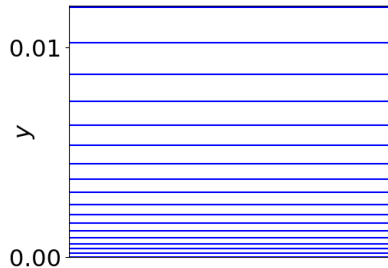
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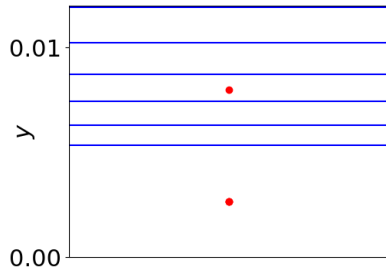
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WALL FUNCTION MESH



(A) Low-Re number IDDES grid.



(B) Wall function grid. First cell is formed by merging 12 cells in the low-Re grid.

FIGURE: Different grids. — : grid lines. •: cell center

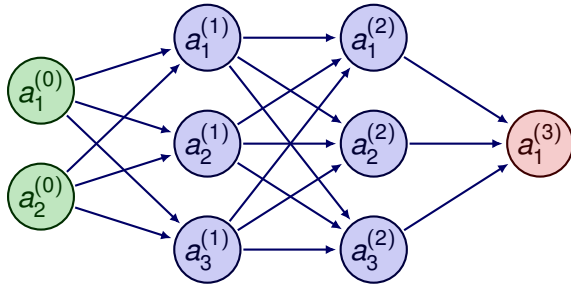
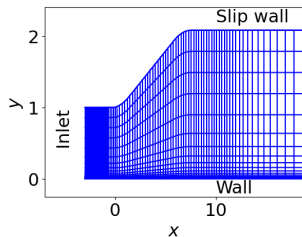
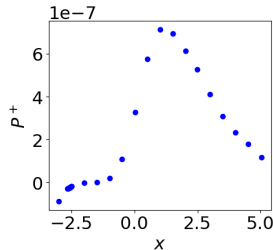


FIGURE: The Neural Network with two inputs variables, $a_1^{(0)} = y^+$ and $a_2^{(0)} = P^+$ and one output variable, $a_1^{(3)} = U^+$. From U^+ I get u_τ . There are three neurons in this figure; in the simulations I have 50.

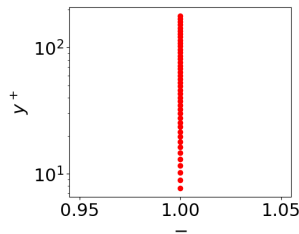
TRAINING TIME-AVERAGED DATA FOR NN, 10^0



(A) Low-Re IDDES grid.

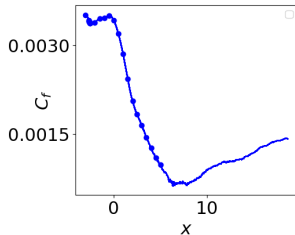


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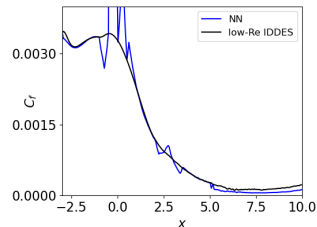


(C) 43 Sampling points in y .

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(D) C_f . Sampling points.

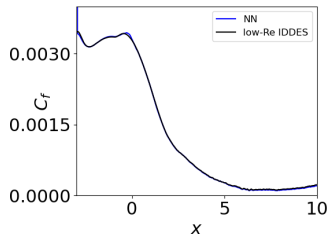


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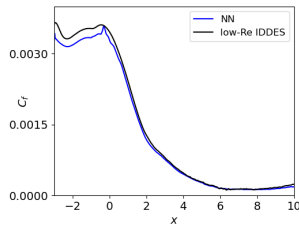
ADD INPUT PARAMETERS

- Use P^+ and $Re = \bar{u}d_w/\nu$ as input parameters (d_w : wall distance)
- Use P^+ and $\frac{\partial \bar{v}_1}{\partial x_2}\nu/U_B^2$ as input parameters

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(A) Predicted C_f . Re added input.



(B) Predicted C_f . $\frac{\partial \bar{v}_1}{\partial x_2}$ added input.

FIGURE: Evaluating two different sets of input parameters (no CFD).

IDDES, WALL FUNCTIONS: SETUP

- Wall functions based on Neural Network (NN) or Reichardt wall functions
- Wall functions based Reichardt's law

$$\frac{\bar{u}_P}{u_\tau} \equiv U^+ = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln(1 - 0.4y^+) + 7.8 [1 - \exp(-y^+/11) - (y^+/11) \exp(-y^+/3)]$$

is solved using the Newton-Raphson method `scipy.optimize.newton` in Python.

- Turbulence model: IDDES based on the AKN low-Re $k - \varepsilon$ model
- Instantaneous inlet b.c. from pre-cursor channel IDDES
- Grids; $600 \times 70 \times 96$, $600 \times 70 \times 48$ or $300 \times 70 \times 48$ (low-Re IDDES grid: $600 \times 90 \times 96$)

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CHECK PARAMETER SPACE

- Left: Input y^+ , P^+ , $\frac{\partial \bar{v}_1^*}{\partial x_2}$. May give negative U^+ although it was trained on $U^+ > 0$
- Right: Input y^+ , P^+ , Re . Give always $U^+ > 0$

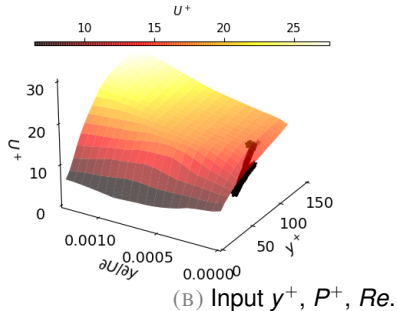
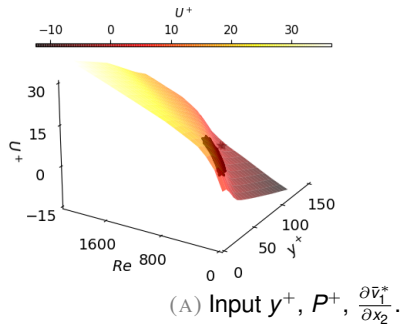
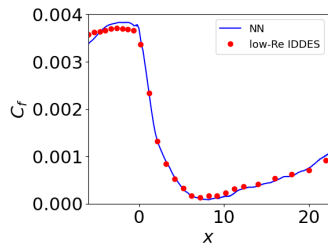


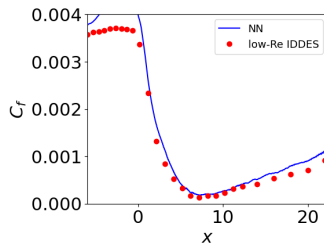
FIGURE: Markers: NN predictions in the diffuser, $\alpha = 10^\circ$. $P^+ = 0.05(P_{max}^+ - P_{min}^+)$.

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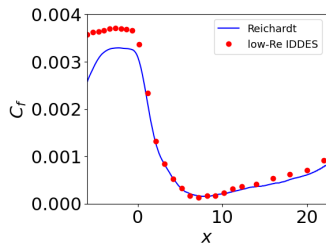
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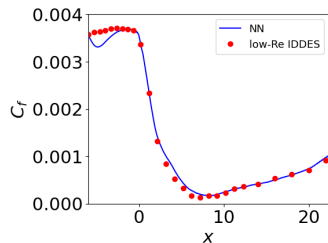
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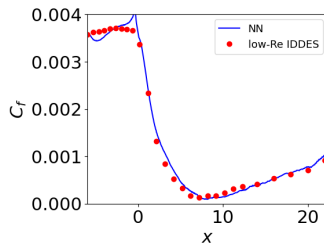
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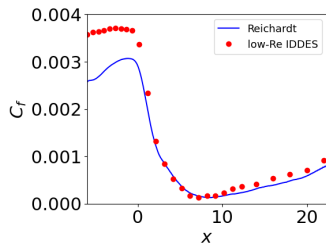
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PYTHON SCRIPTS FOR y^+ , P^+ , Re

- creating the NN wall model
- part of CFD code **pyCALC-LES** where the NN wall model is used

NN ON RECIRCULATING FLOW. SWITCH TO KDTREE

- I tried NN wall function at $\alpha = 15^\circ$ (with recirculation).
- It does not work (diverges)
- Instead, I start with KDtree (look-up table)
- Input and output: U^+ and y^+ .
- u_τ can be taken from U^+ or y^+

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