

Dynamics of inertialess flows of viscoelastic fluids: the role of uncertainty

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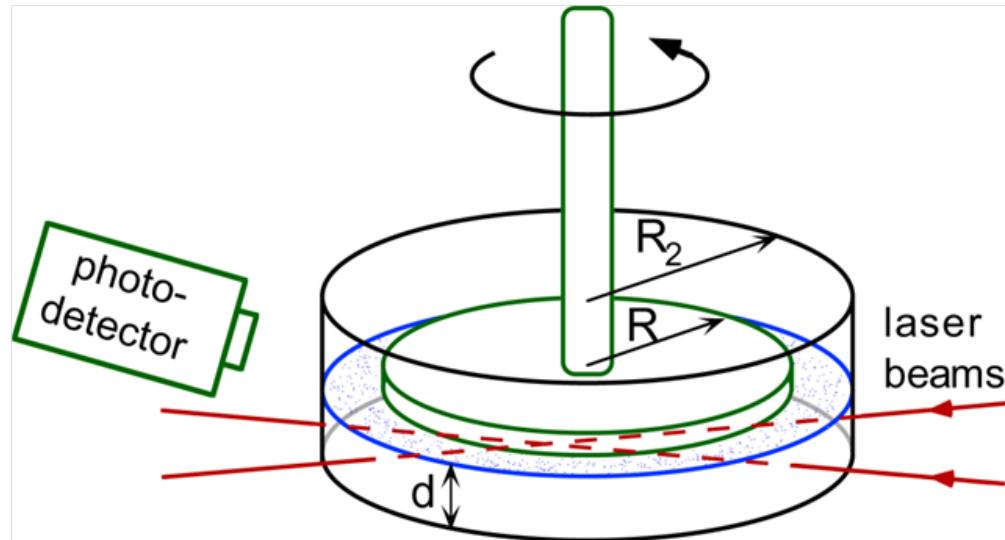
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Turbulence without inertia

NEWTONIAN: **inertial turbulence**

VISCOELASTIC: **elastic turbulence**

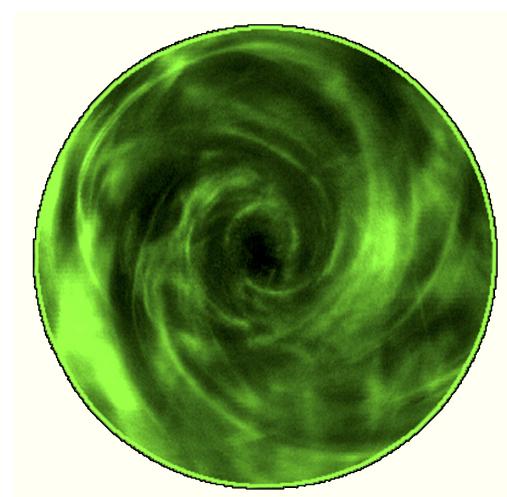


Groisman & Steinberg, *Nature* '00

NEWTONIAN:

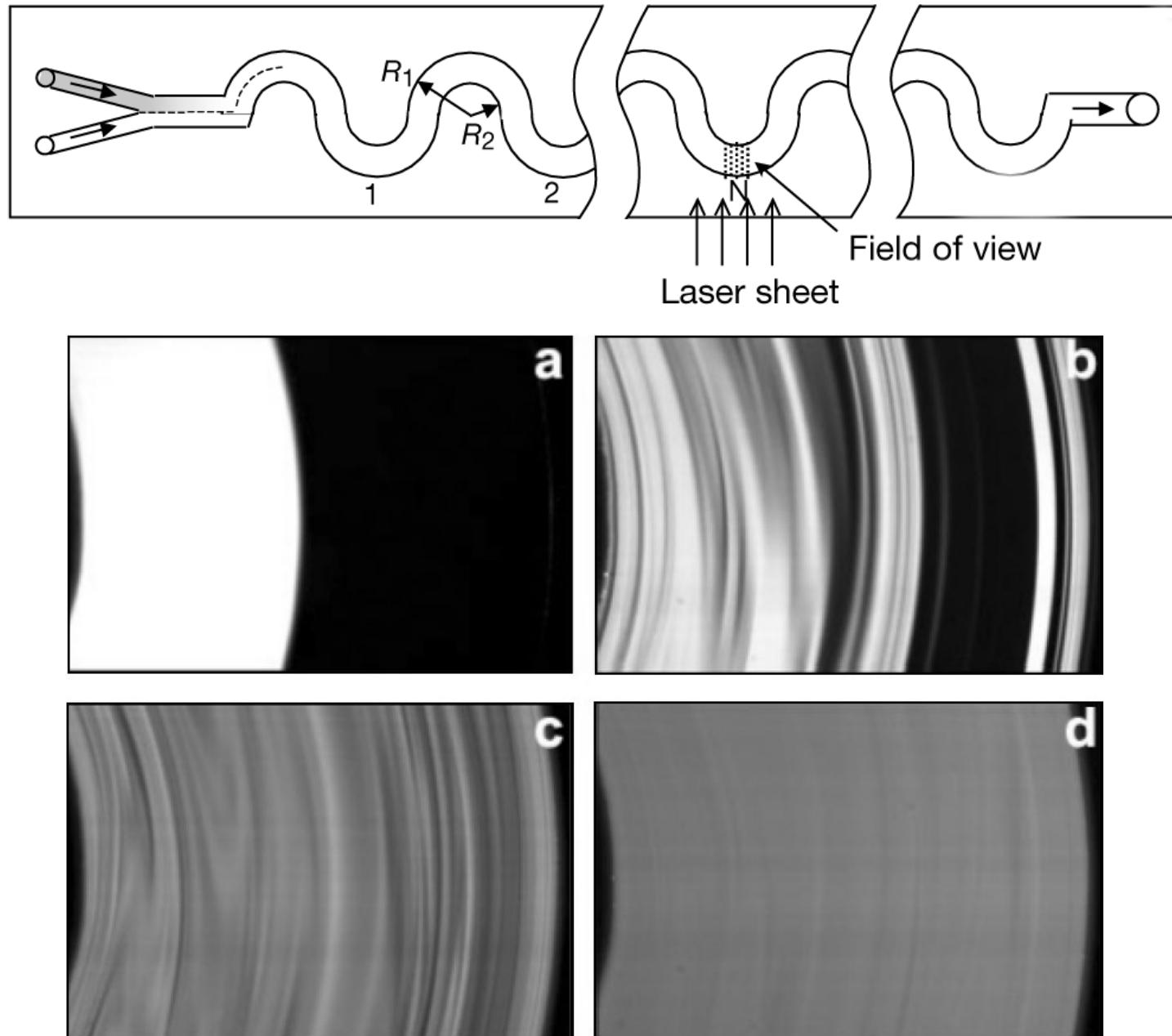


VISCOELASTIC:



☞ FLOW RESISTANCE: **increased 20 times!**

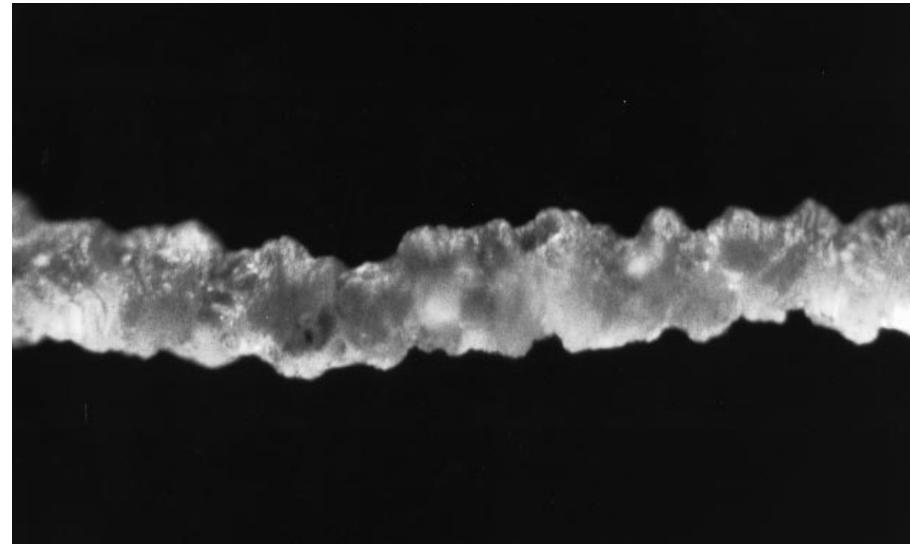
Turbulence: good for mixing . . .



Groisman & Steinberg, *Nature* '01

... bad for processing

POLYMER MELT EMERGING FROM A CAPILLARY TUBE

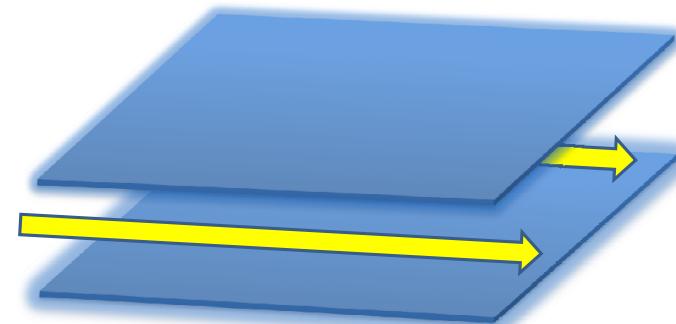


Kalika & Denn, *J. Rheol.* '87

CURVILINEAR FLOWS: **purely elastic instabilities**

Larson, Shaqfeh, Muller, *J. Fluid Mech.* '90

RECTILINEAR FLOWS: **no modal instabilities**



Oldroyd-B fluids

HOOKEAN SPRING:



$$(Re/We) \partial_t \mathbf{v} = -Re (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} - \nabla p + \beta \Delta \mathbf{v} + (1 - \beta) \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} + \mathbf{d}$$

$$0 = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{\tau} = -\boldsymbol{\tau} + \nabla \mathbf{v} + (\nabla \mathbf{v})^T + We (\boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} + (\nabla \mathbf{v})^T \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} - (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{\tau})$$

VISCOSITY RATIO:

$$\beta := \frac{\text{solvent viscosity}}{\text{total viscosity}}$$

WEISSENBERG NUMBER:

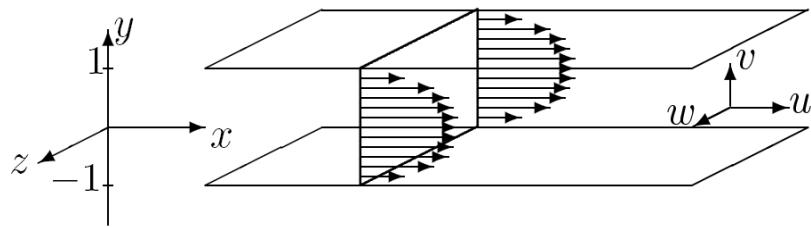
$$We := \frac{\text{fluid relaxation time}}{\text{characteristic flow time}}$$

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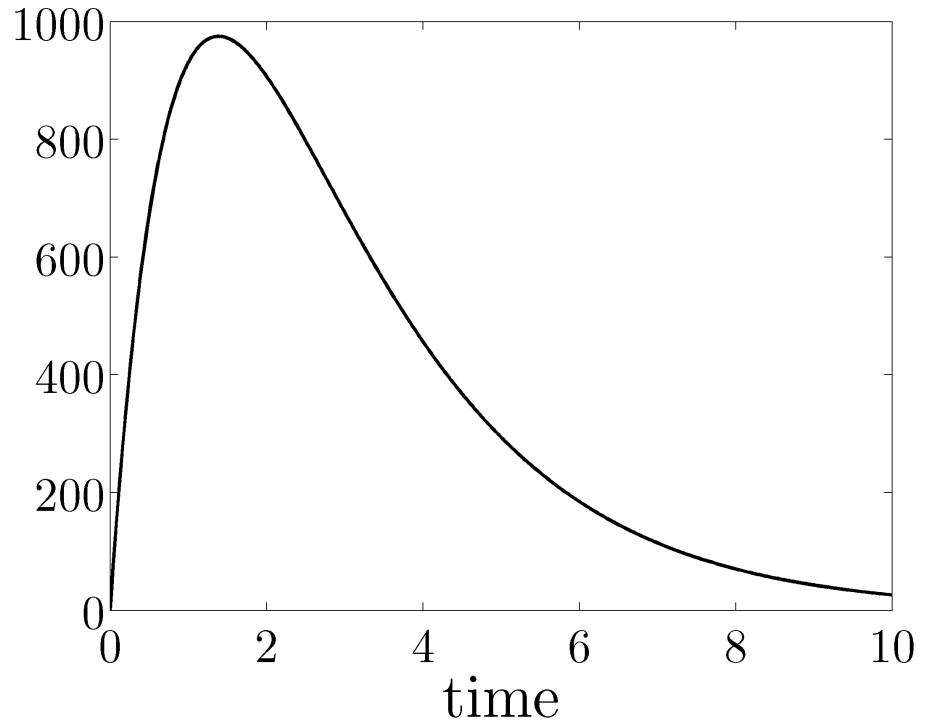
$$Re := \frac{\text{inertial forces}}{\text{viscous forces}}$$

Transient growth analysis

- STUDY TRANSIENT BEHAVIOR OF FLUCTUATIONS' ENERGY



kinetic energy:



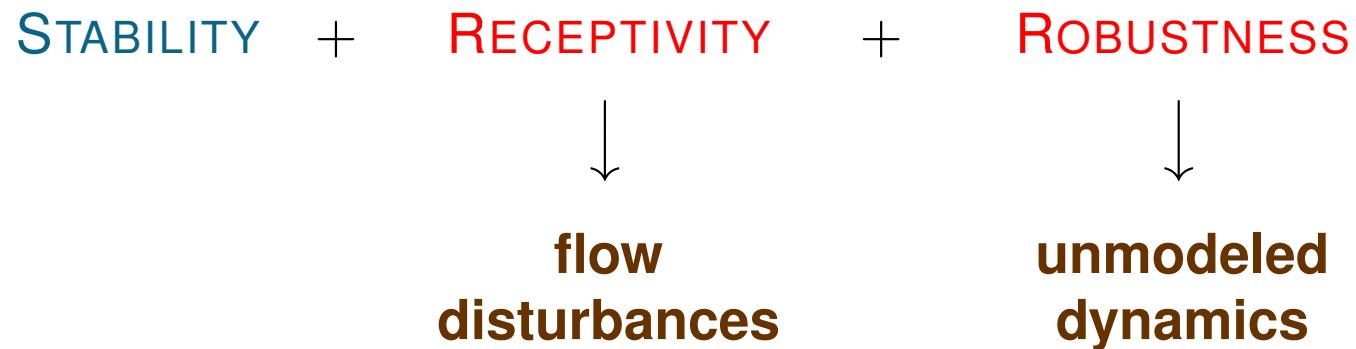
- ☞ **SPECTRUM: misleading measure of transient response**

Sureshkumar *et al.*, *JNNFM* '99; Atalik & Keunings, *JNNFM* '02;
 Kupferman, *JNNFM* '05; Doering *et al.*, *JNNFM* '06;
 Renardy, *JNNFM* '09; Jovanović & Kumar, *Phys. Fluids* '10

- HIGH FLOW SENSITIVITY
even in the absence of inertia

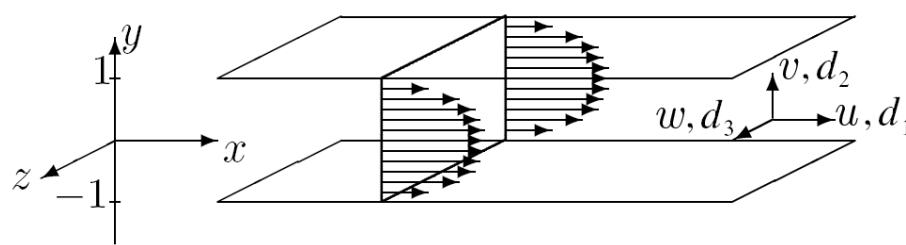
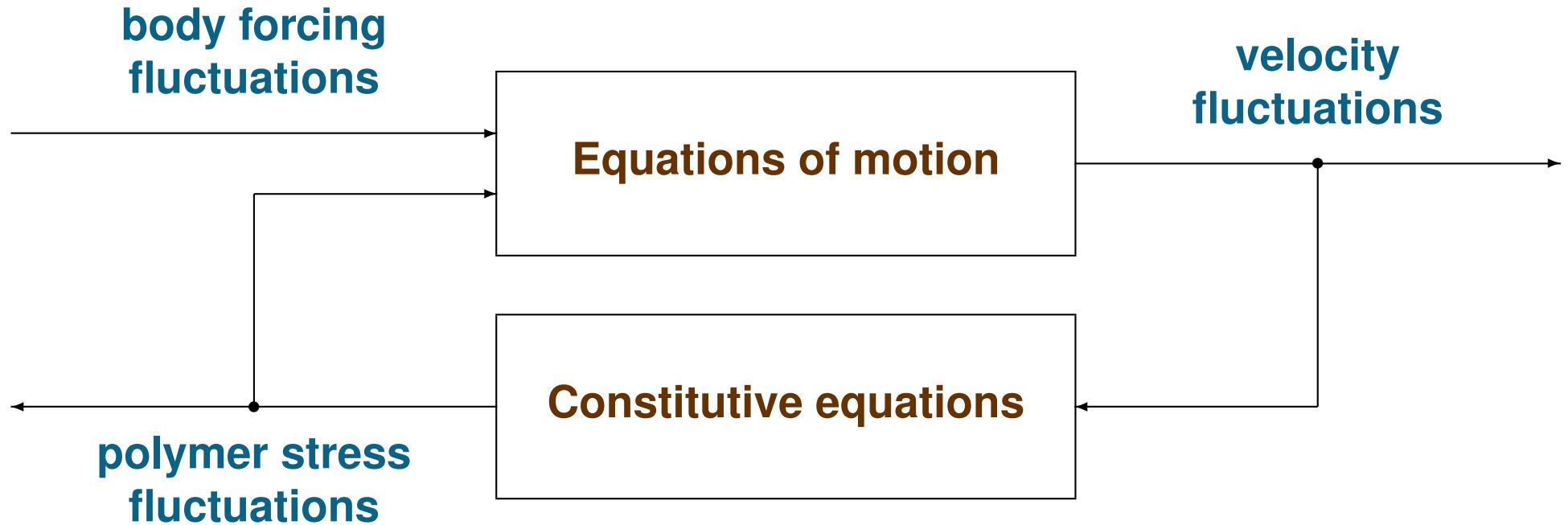
- large transient responses
- large noise amplification
- small stability margins

TO COUNTER THIS SENSITIVITY: **must account for modeling imperfections**



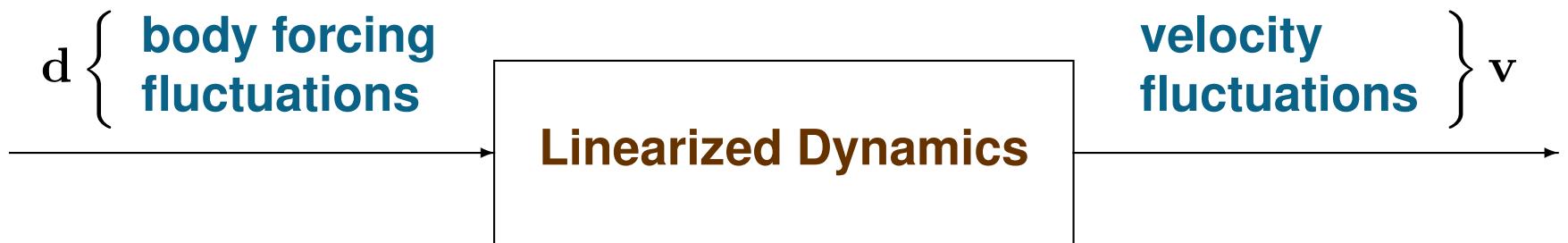
Tools for quantifying sensitivity

- INPUT-OUTPUT ANALYSIS: **spatio-temporal frequency responses**

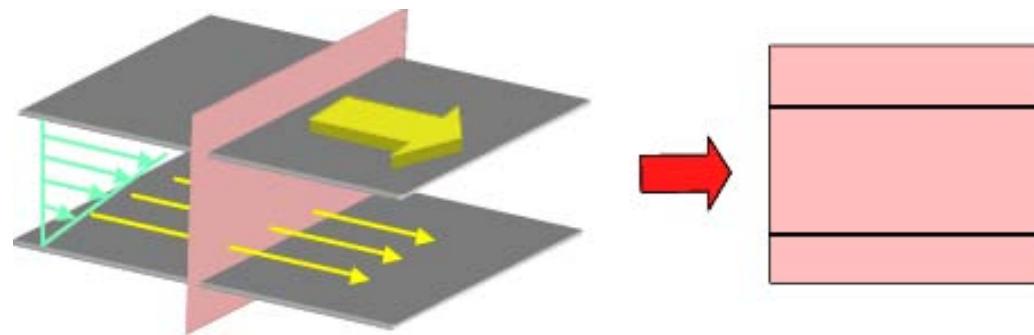


$$\begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{amplification}} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}$$

The diagram shows a vector d (containing d_1, d_2, d_3) being transformed by "amplification" into a vector v (containing u, v, w).



- INSIGHT INTO AMPLIFICATION MECHANISMS
importance of streamwise elongated structures



Hoda, Jovanović, Kumar, *J. Fluid Mech.* '08, '09
Jovanović & Kumar, *JNNFM* '11

Non-modal amplification of disturbances

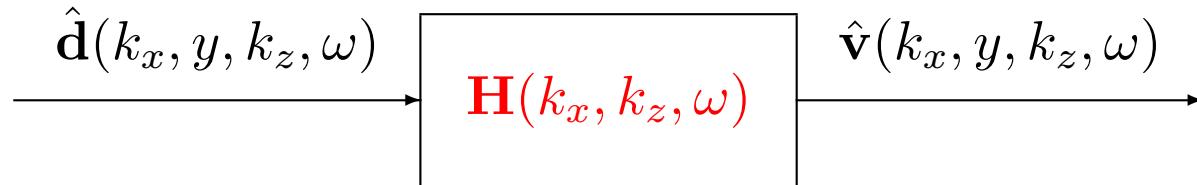
harmonic forcing:

$$\mathbf{d}(x, y, z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{d}}(k_x, y, k_z, \omega) e^{i(k_x x + k_z z + \omega t)}$$

↓ steady-state response

$$\mathbf{v}(x, y, z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{v}}(k_x, y, k_z, \omega) e^{i(k_x x + k_z z + \omega t)}$$

- FREQUENCY RESPONSE



$\mathbf{H}(k_x, k_z, \omega)$: operator in y

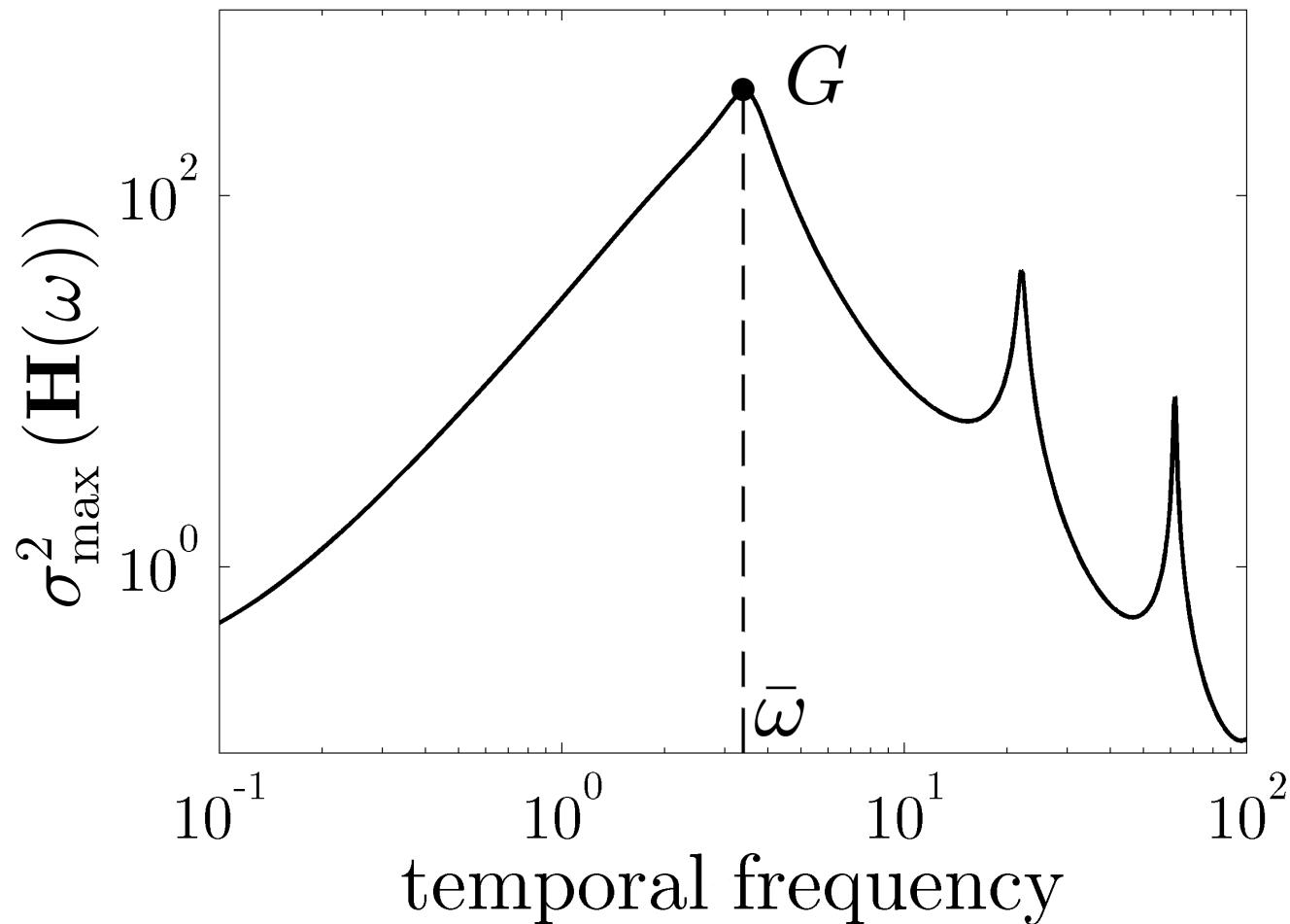
$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}(k_x, y, k_z, \omega) = \int_{-1}^1 \mathbf{H}_{\text{ker}}(k_x, k_z, \omega; y, \eta) \hat{\mathbf{d}}(k_x, \eta, k_z, \omega) d\eta$$

Input-output gains

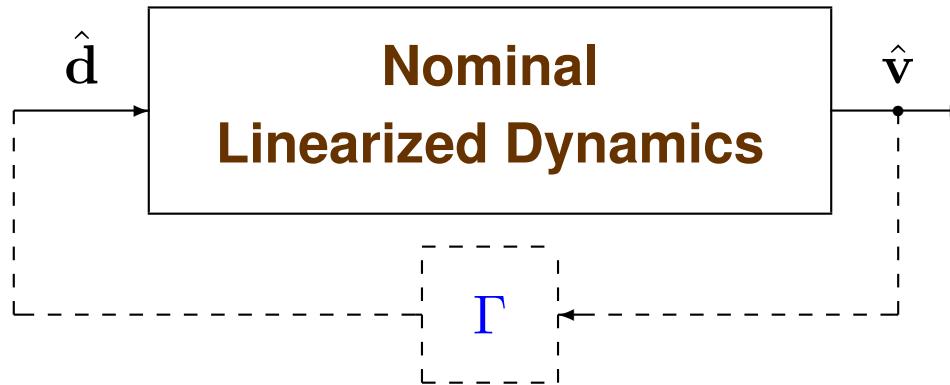
- Determined by **singular values** of $\mathbf{H}(k_x, k_z, \omega)$

worst case amplification:

$$G(k_x, k_z) = \max \frac{\text{output energy}}{\text{input energy}} = \max_{\omega} \sigma_{\max}^2(\mathbf{H}(k_x, k_z, \omega))$$



Robustness interpretation



modeling uncertainty
(can be nonlinear or time-varying)

small-gain theorem:

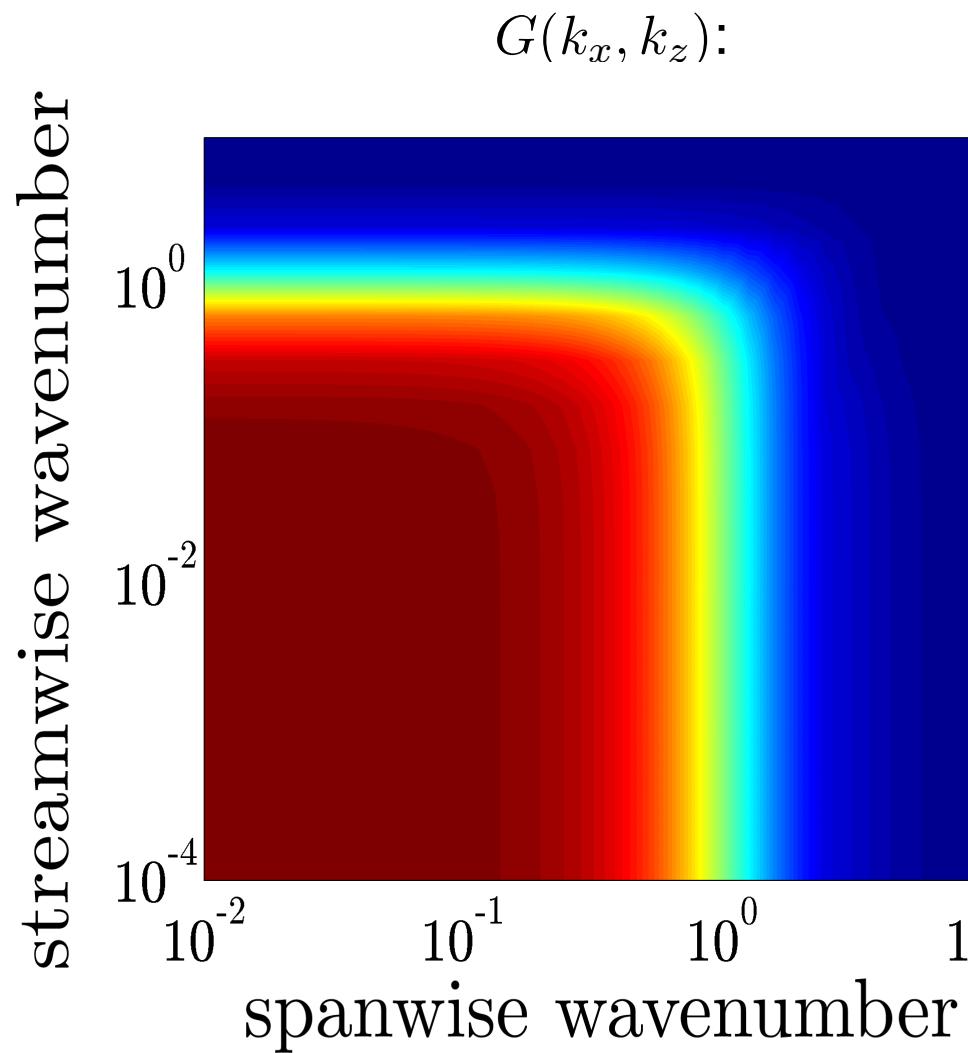
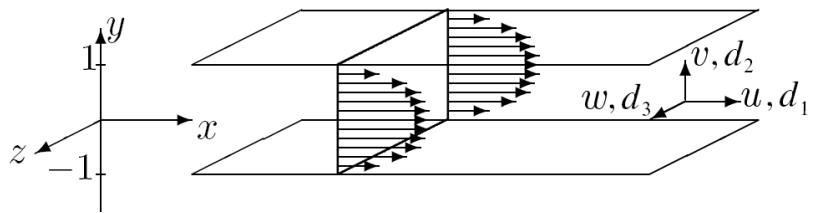
stability for all Γ with

$$\max_{\omega} \sigma_{\max}^2(\Gamma(\omega)) \leq \gamma \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \gamma < \frac{1}{G}$$

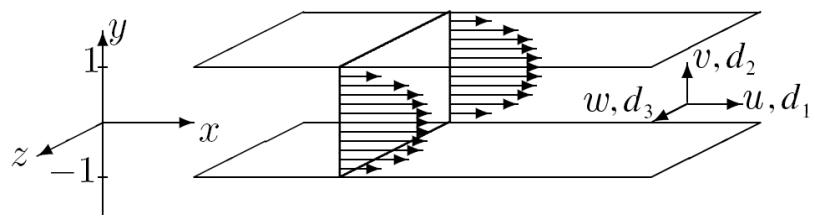
LARGE
worst case amplification \Rightarrow small
stability margins

Inertialess channel flow: worst case amplification

$$We = 10, \beta = 0.5, Re = 0$$

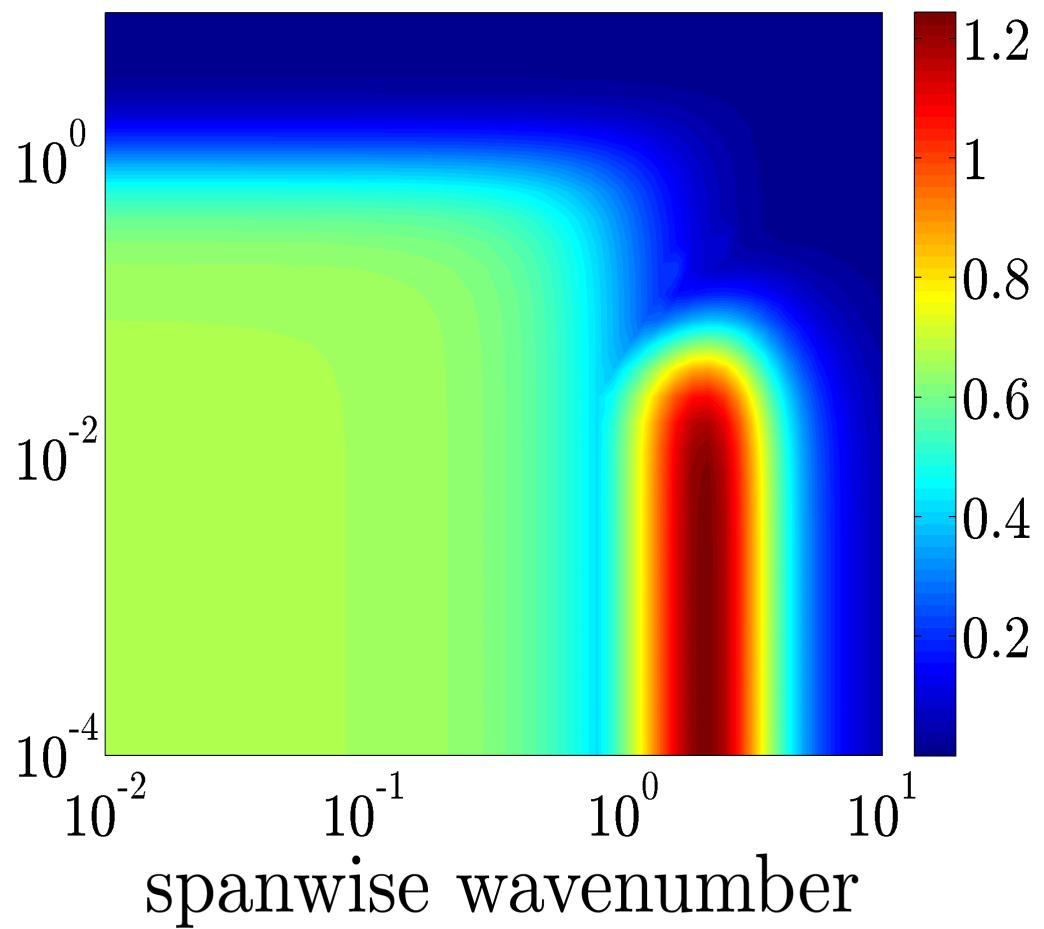


$$We = 50, \beta = 0.5, Re = 0$$

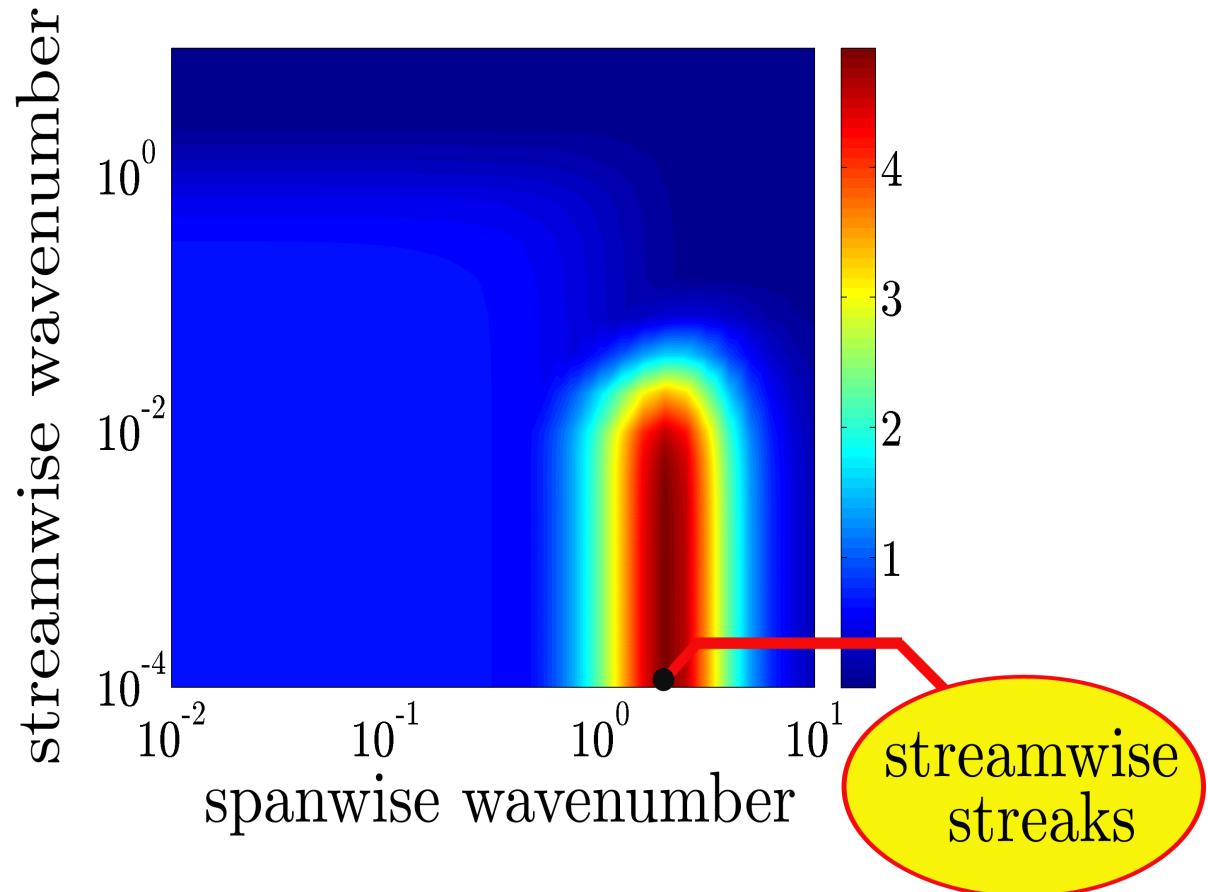


streamwise wavenumber

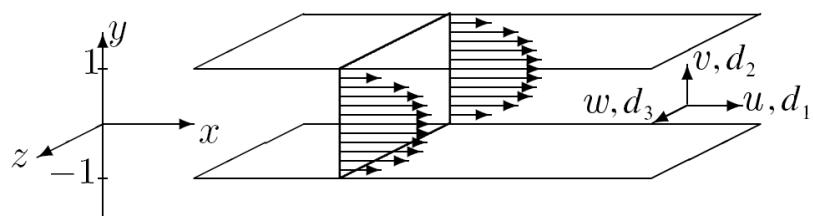
$G(k_x, k_z)$:



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$We = 100, \beta = 0.5, Re = 0$



- Dominance of streamwise elongated structures
streamwise streaks!

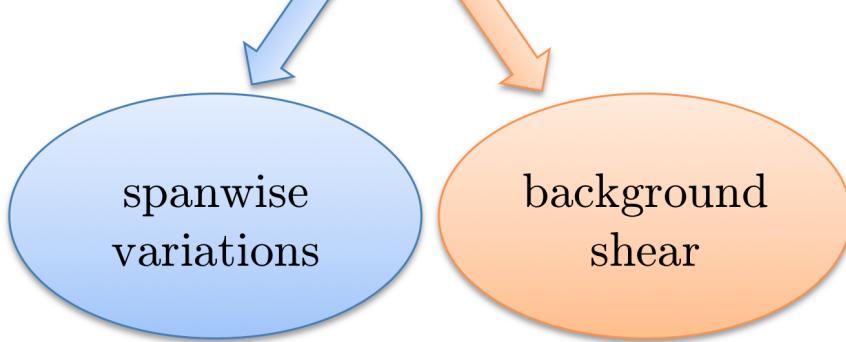
Streamwise-constant flows

LINEARIZED DYNAMICS OF NORMAL VORTICITY η

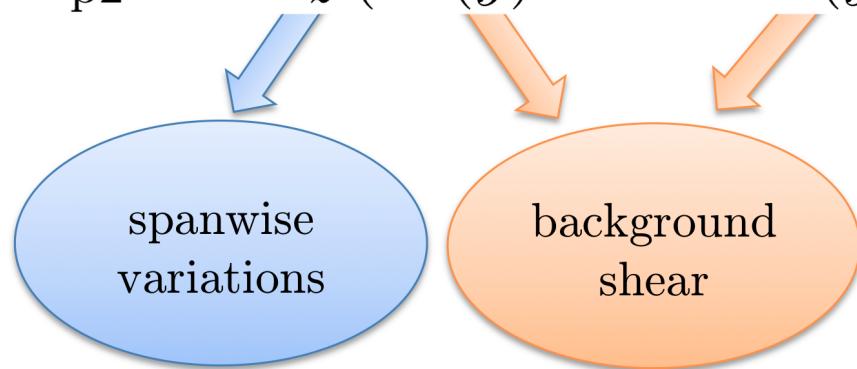
Inertial Newtonian		Inertialess viscoelastic
$\partial_t \eta = \Delta \eta + Re \mathbf{C}_{p1} v$	↓	$\Delta \partial_t \eta = -(1/\beta) \Delta \eta + We (1 - 1/\beta) \mathbf{C}_{p2} \vartheta$

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$$\mathbf{C}_{p1} = -ik_z U'(y)$$



$$\mathbf{C}_{p2} = ik_z (U'(y) \Delta + 2U''(y) \partial_y)$$

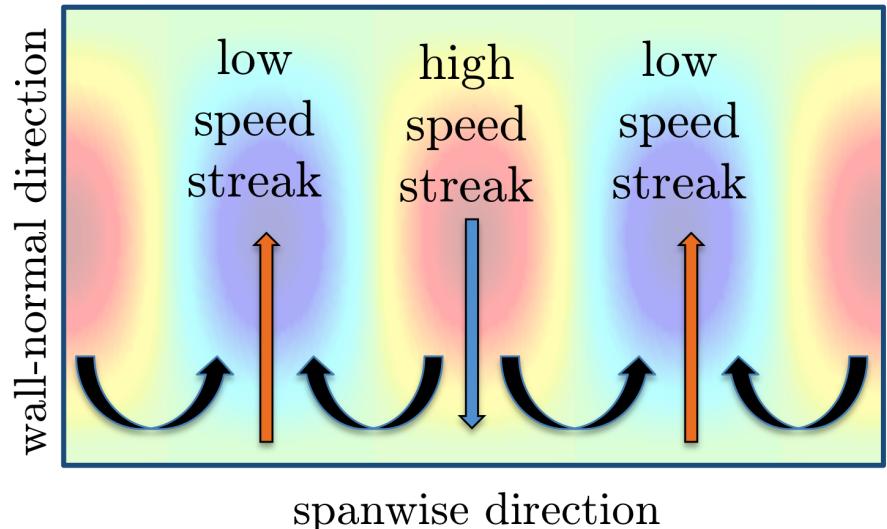
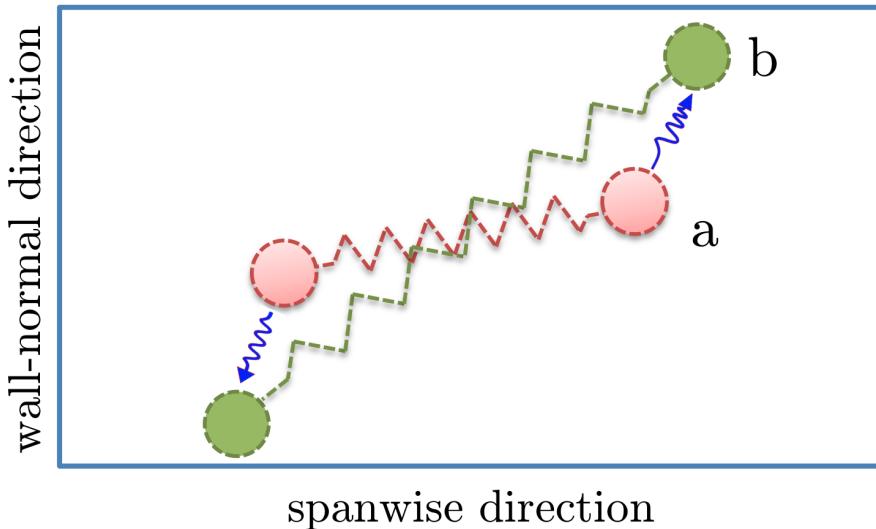
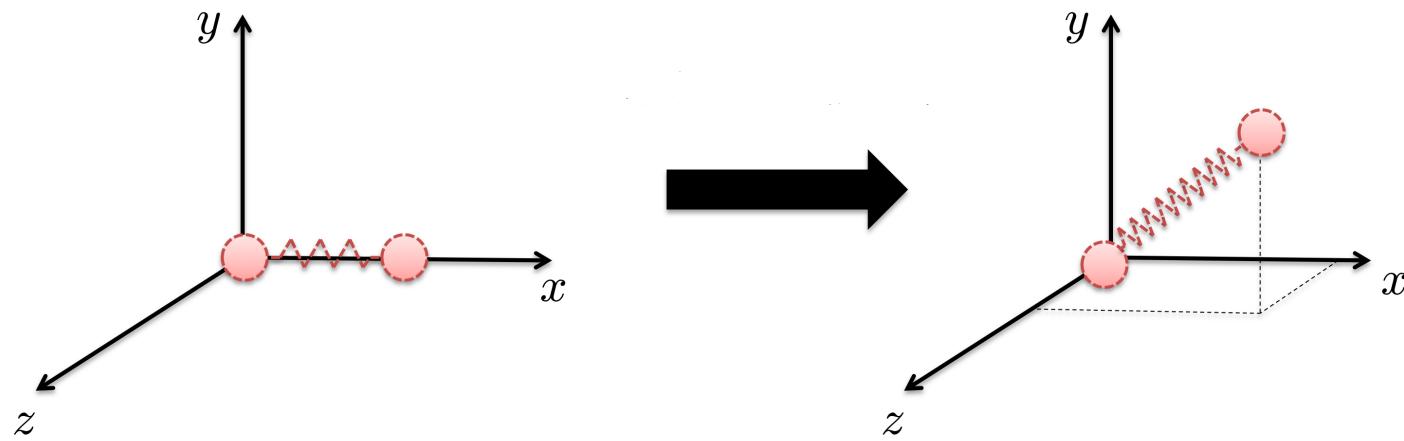


- SOURCE TERM IN INERTIALESS VISCOELASTIC FLOWS

$$\mathbf{C}_{p2} \vartheta = \partial_{yz} (U'(y) \tau_{22}) + \partial_{zz} (U'(y) \tau_{23})$$

Inertialess lift-up mechanism

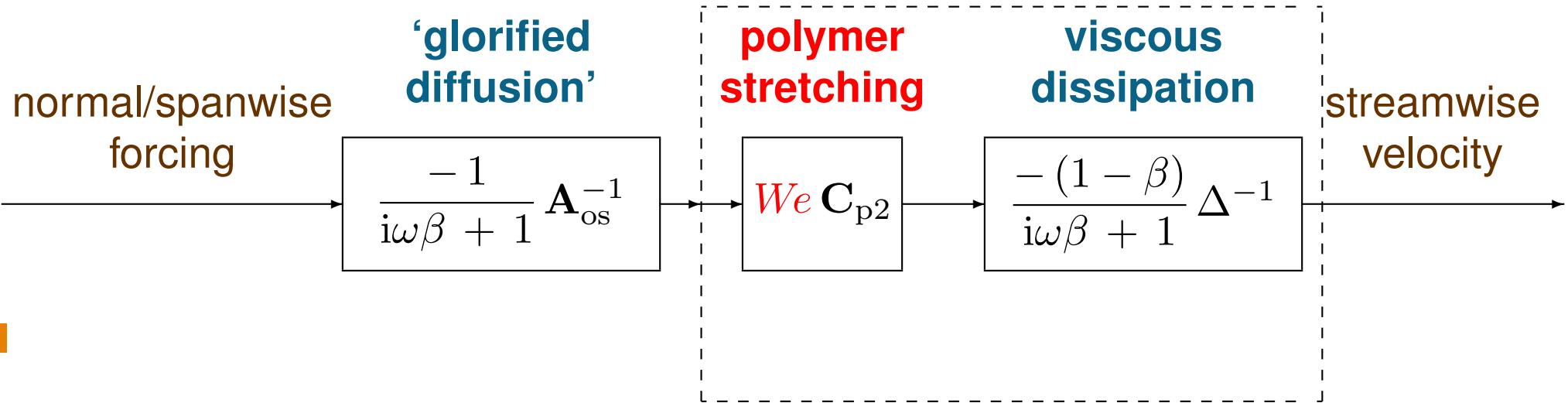
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \partial_t \eta &= -(1/\beta) \Delta \eta + We (1 - 1/\beta) \mathbf{C}_{p2} \vartheta \\ &= -(1/\beta) \Delta \eta + We (1 - 1/\beta) (\partial_{yz} (U'(y) \tau_{22}) + \partial_{zz} (U'(y) \tau_{23}))\end{aligned}$$



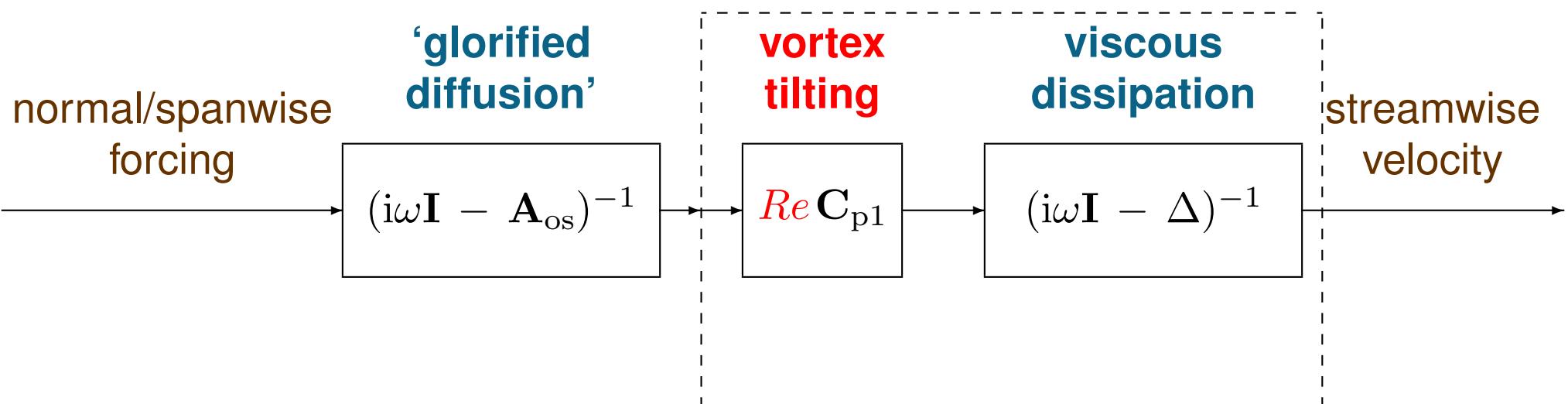
Amplification mechanism

- Highest amplification: $(d_2, d_3) \rightarrow u$

INERTIALESS VISCOELASTIC:



INERTIAL NEWTONIAN:

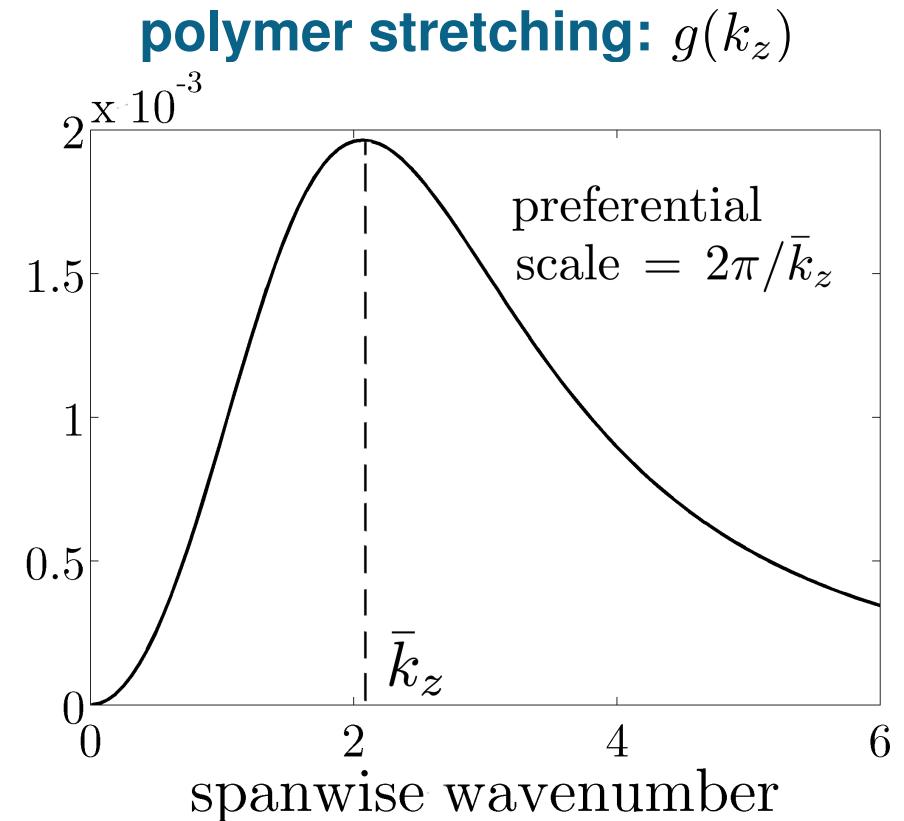
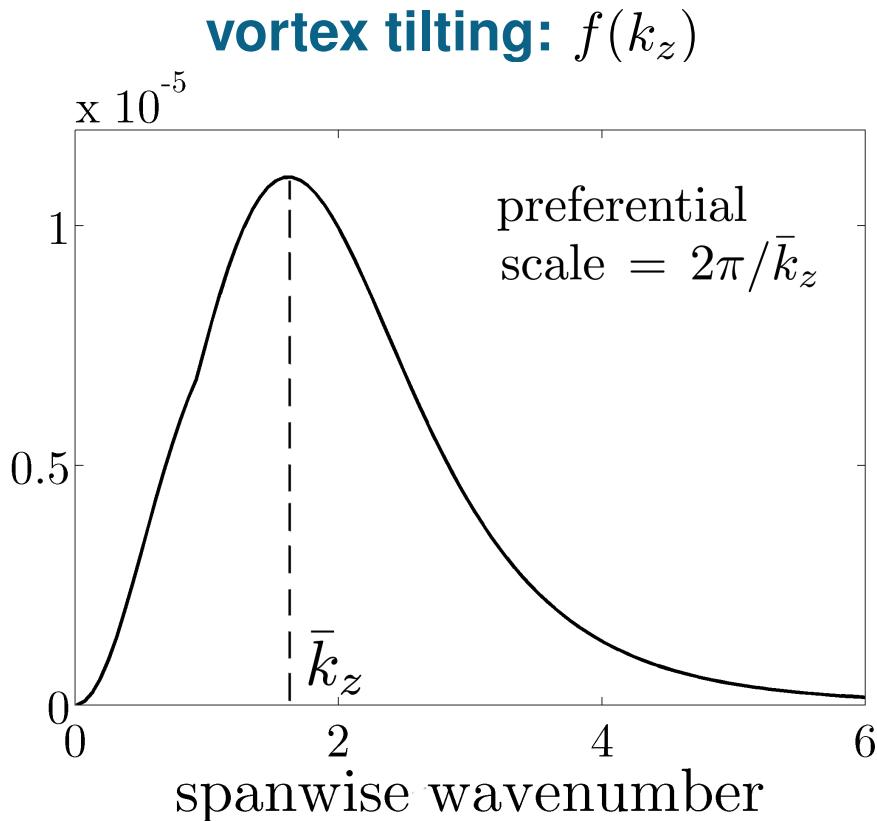


Spatial frequency responses

$$(d_2, d_3) \xrightarrow{\text{amplification}} u$$

INERTIAL NEWTONIAN: $G(k_z; Re) = Re^2 f(k_z)$

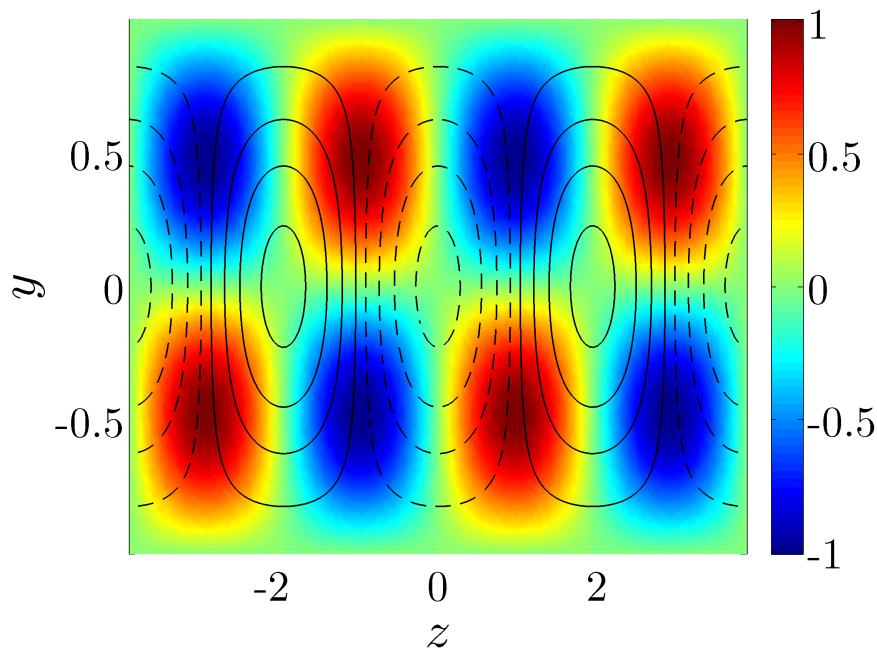
INERTIALESS VISCOELASTIC: $G(k_z; We, \beta) = We^2 g(k_z) (1 - \beta)^2$



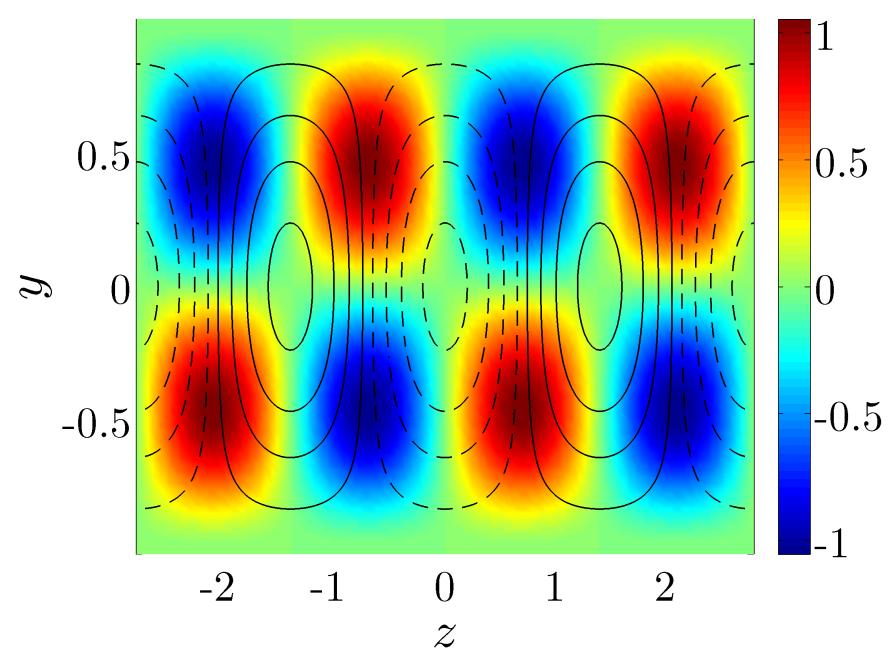
Dominant flow patterns

- FREQUENCY RESPONSE PEAKS
 - ☞ streamwise vortices and streaks

Inertial Newtonian:



Inertialess viscoelastic:



- CHANNEL CROSS-SECTION VIEW: { color plots: streamwise velocity
contour lines: stream-function

Outlook

- ONGOING EFFORT

- ★ direct numerical simulations of inertialess flows

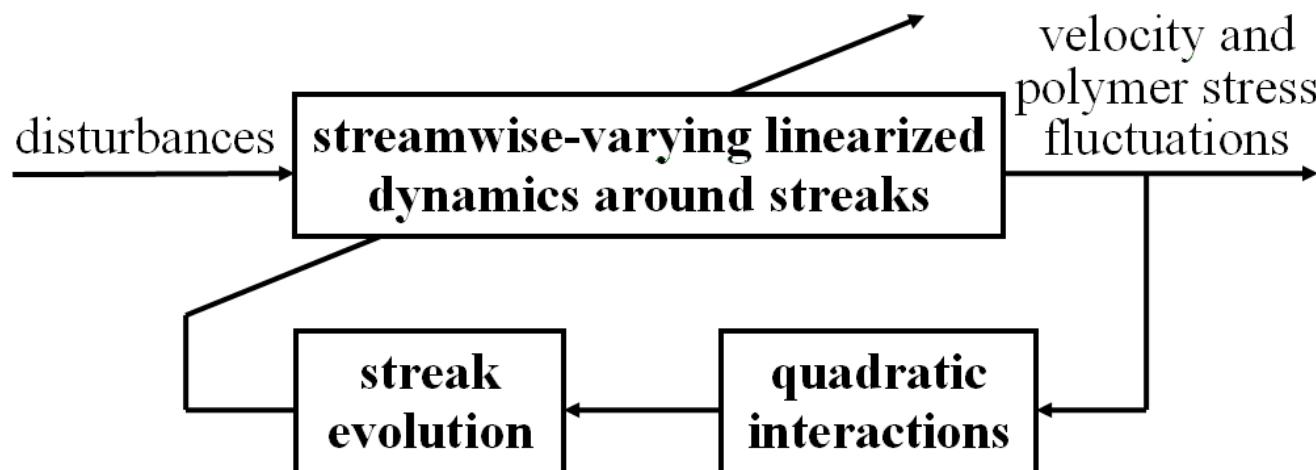
- track 'linear' and 'nonlinear' stages of disturbance development

- ★ secondary stability/receptivity analysis

- study influence of streamwise-varying disturbances on streaks

- Challenge: relative roles of flow sensitivity and nonlinearity

- ★ self-sustaining process for transition to elastic turbulence?



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