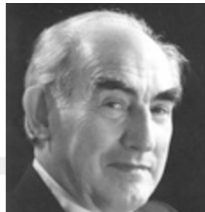


# Anomalous scaling in turbulence with direct and/or inverse energy cascades

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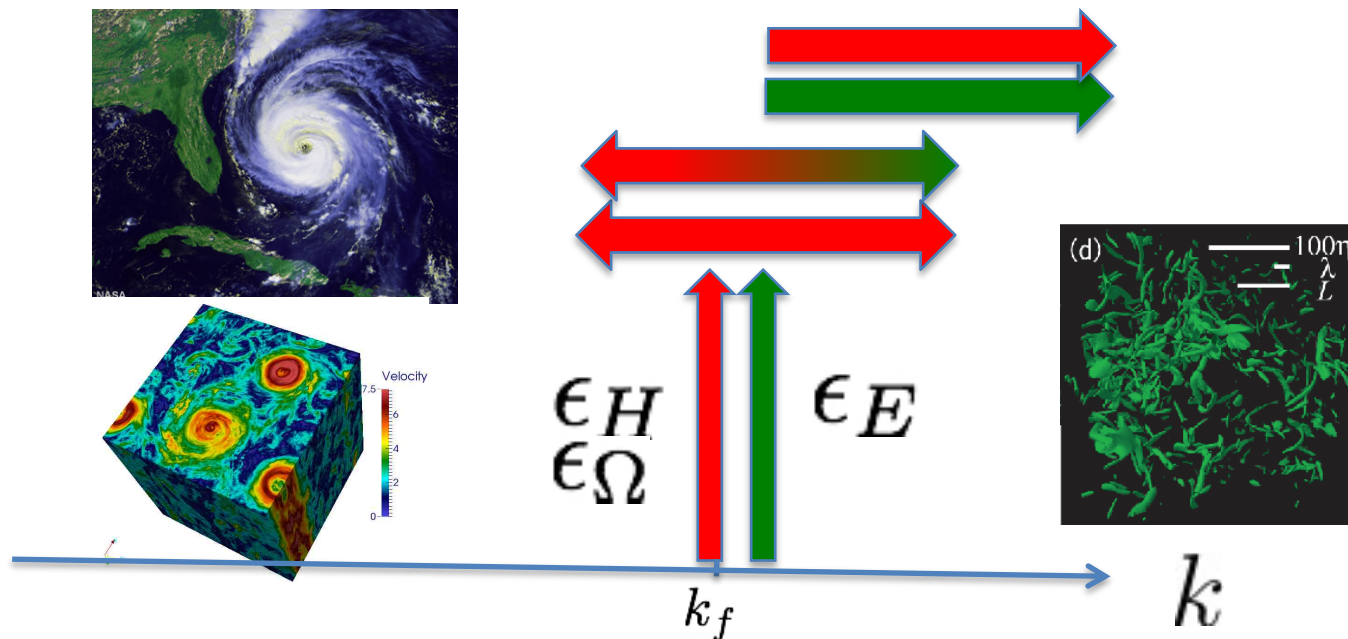
## MOTIVATIONS:

A TALE ABOUT TRANSFER PROPERTIES OF INVISCID CONSERVED QUANTITIES, KINETIC ENERGY, HELICITY ENSTROPY, MAGNETIC HELICITY ETC...

Q1: HOW TO PREDICT THE DIRECTION OF THE TRANSFER (FORWARD/BACKWARD) AND ITS ROBUSTNESS UNDER EXTERNAL PERTURBATION (FORCING/BOUNDARY CONDITIONS)?

Q2: HOW MUCH THE FLUCTUATIONS AROUND THE MEAN TRANSFER ARE INTENSE AND SELF-SIMILAR (INTERMITTENCY AND ANOMALOUS SCALING) ?

**AS A MATTER OF FACT, FOR 3D NAVIER STOKES EQUATIONS, WE DO NOT KNOW HOW TO PREDICT NEITHER THE SIGN OF THE MEAN ENERGY TRANSFER NOR THE INTENSITY OF THE FLUCTUATIONS AROUND IT.**



ENERGY (2D/3D)/MAGNETIC HELICITY(3D)

ENERGY (3D)/ENSTROPY(2D)

## EXPLORING THE ROLE OF MIRROR SIMMETRY

- ROLE OF KINETIC HELICITY IN THE REVERSAL OF THE MEAN ENERGY FLUX IN 3D NAVIER-STOKES (FORWARD/BACKWARD)
- IMPLICATION FOR THE SMALL-SCALES REGULARITY OF THE NAVIER-STOKES SOLUTIONS
- EMPIRICAL OBSERVATION ON ROTATING TURBULENCE
- IMPLICATION FOR SMALL SCALE INTERMITTENCY AND DEVIATION FROM KOLMOGOROV 1941 SCALING
- ROLE OF MAGNETIC HELICITY IN THE FORMATION OF LARGE AND SMALL SCALES DYNAMO IN MAGNETOHYDRODYNAMICS

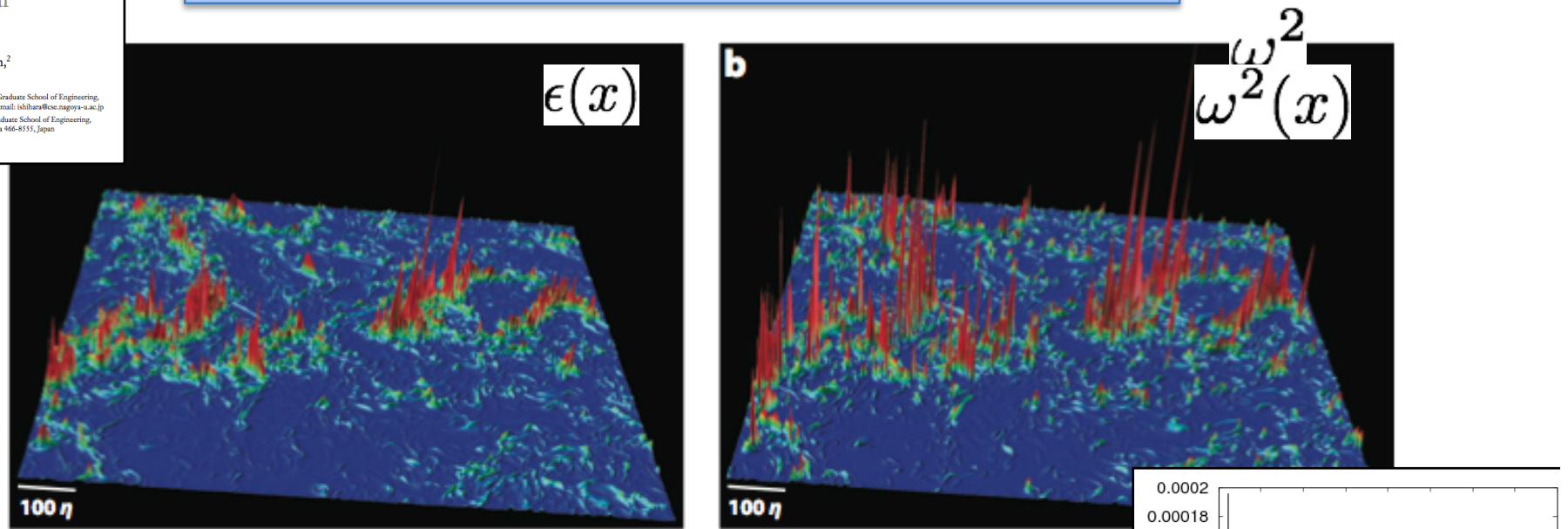
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# Study of High-Reynolds Number Isotropic Turbulence by Direct Numerical Simulation

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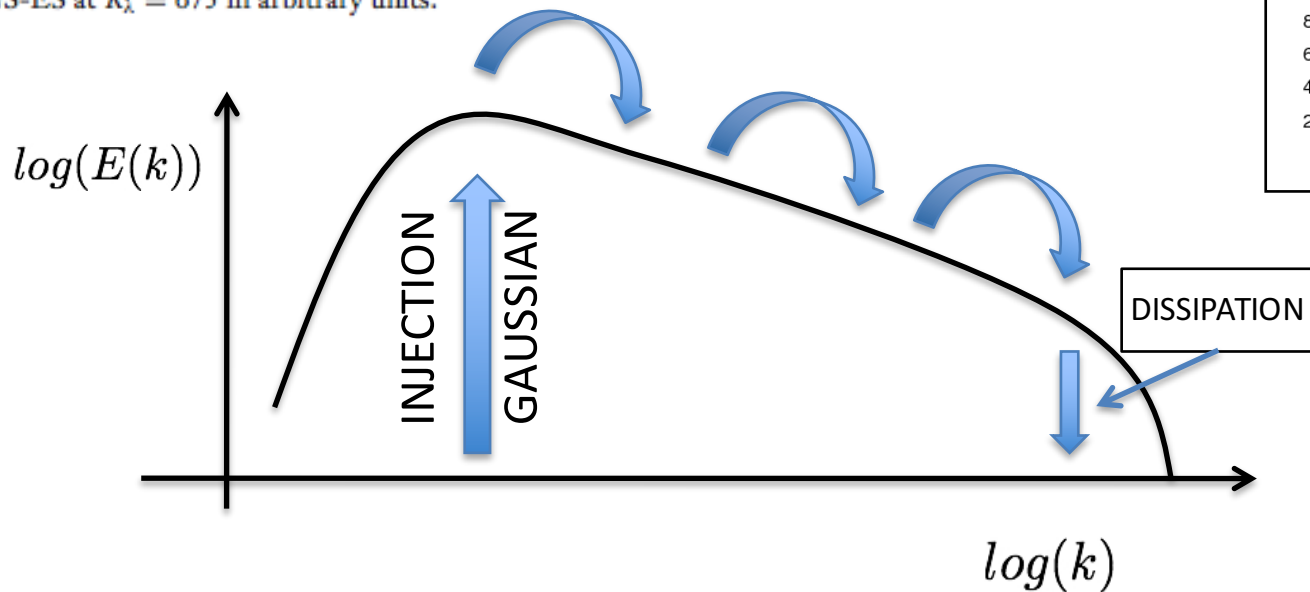
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## 3D HOMOGENEOUS AND ISOTROPIC TURBULENCE FLUCTUATIONS: SMALL-SCALES INTERMITTENCY



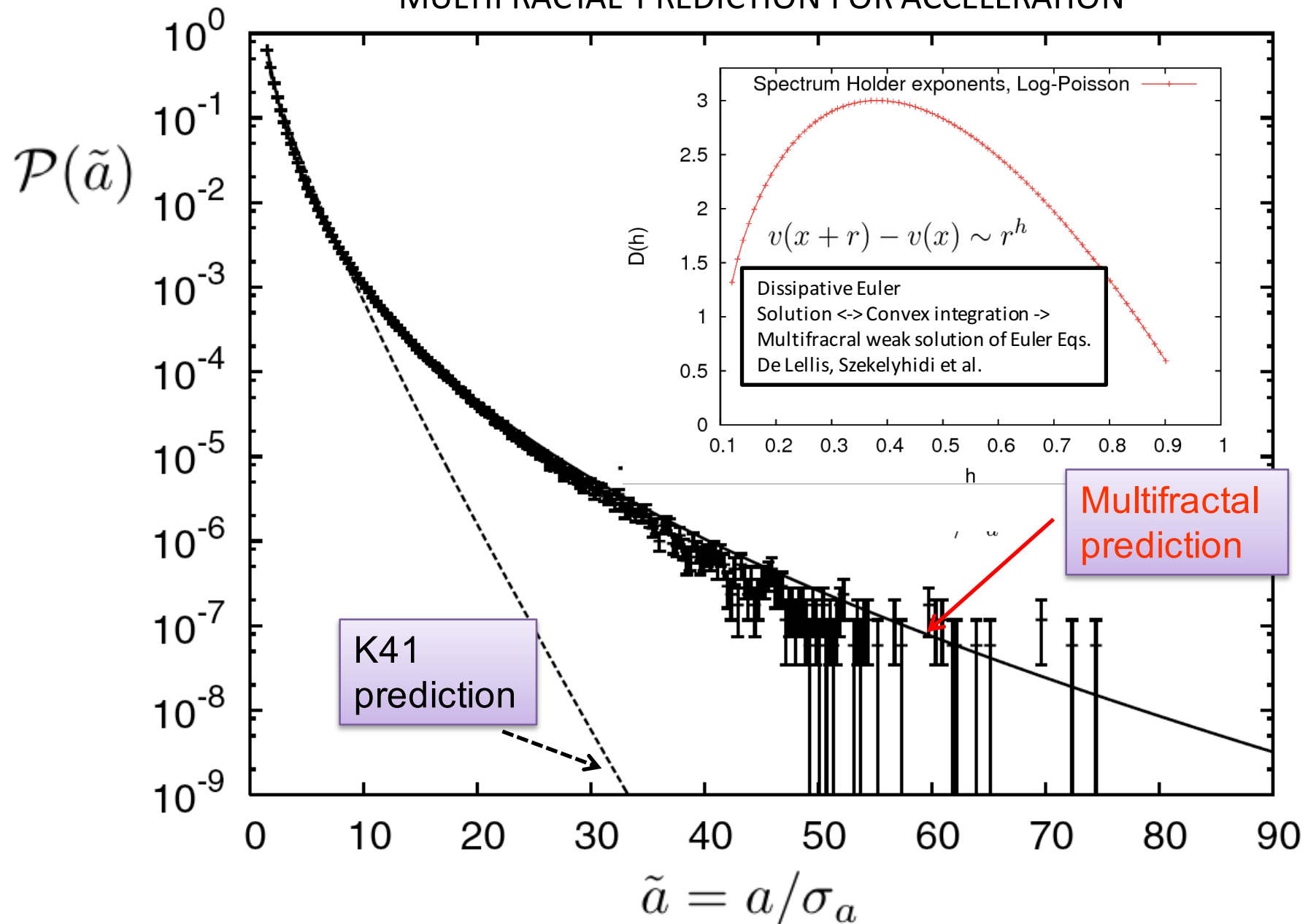
**Figure 4**

Snapshots of the intensity distributions of (a) the energy-dissipation rate  $\bar{\epsilon} = \epsilon/(2\nu)$  and (b) the enstrophy  $\Omega = \Omega^2/(2\nu)$  at  $R_\lambda = 675$  in arbitrary units.



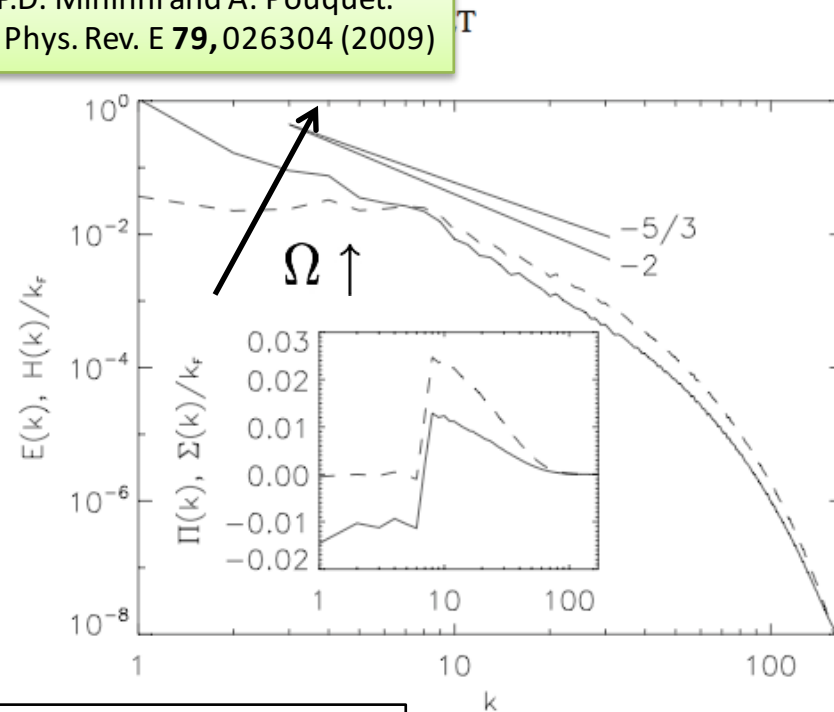


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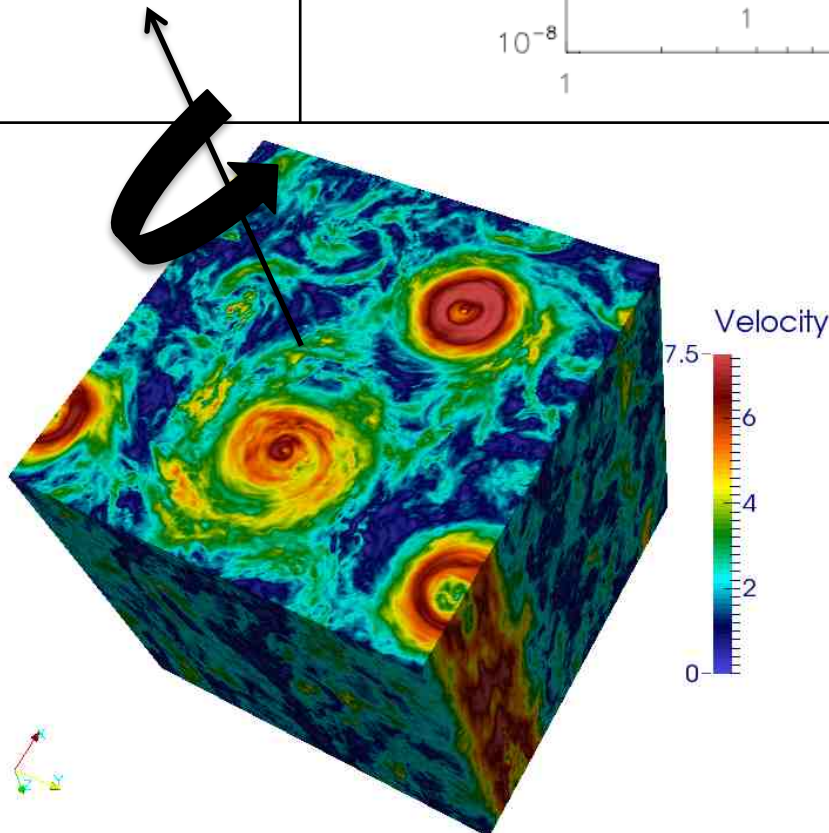


$$\mathcal{P}(a) \sim \int_{h \in I} dh a^{\frac{h-5+D(h)}{3}} \nu^{\frac{7-2h-2D(h)}{3}} L_0^{D(h)+h-3} \sigma_v^{-1} \times \exp\left(-\frac{a^{\frac{2(1+h)}{3}} \nu^{\frac{2(1-2h)}{3}} L_0^{2h}}{2\sigma_v^2}\right)$$

P.D. Mininni and A. Pouquet.  
Phys. Rev. E **79**, 026304 (2009)



INVERSE ENERGY CASCADE  
UNDER ROTATION  
3D -> 2D  
HELICITY ENHANCEMENTS



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## Dual non-Kolmogorov cascades in a von Kármán flow

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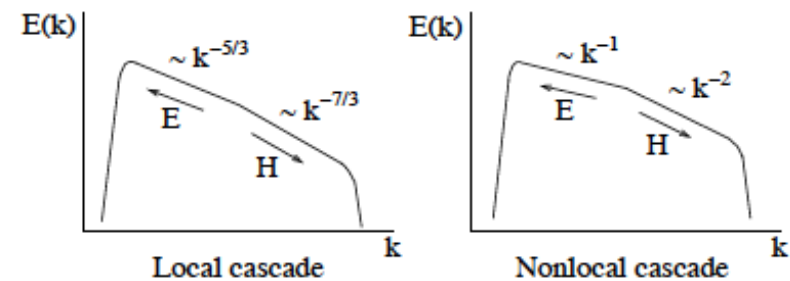
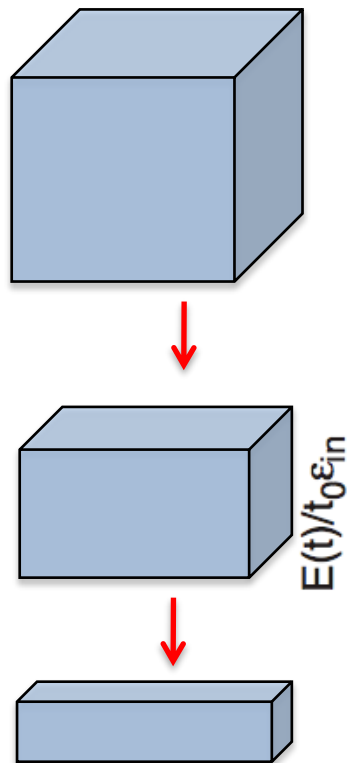
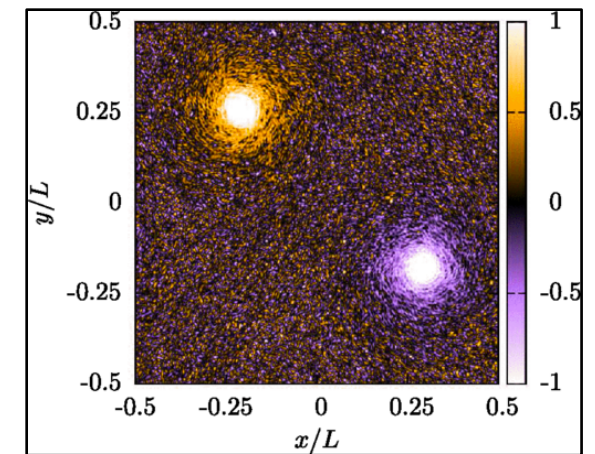
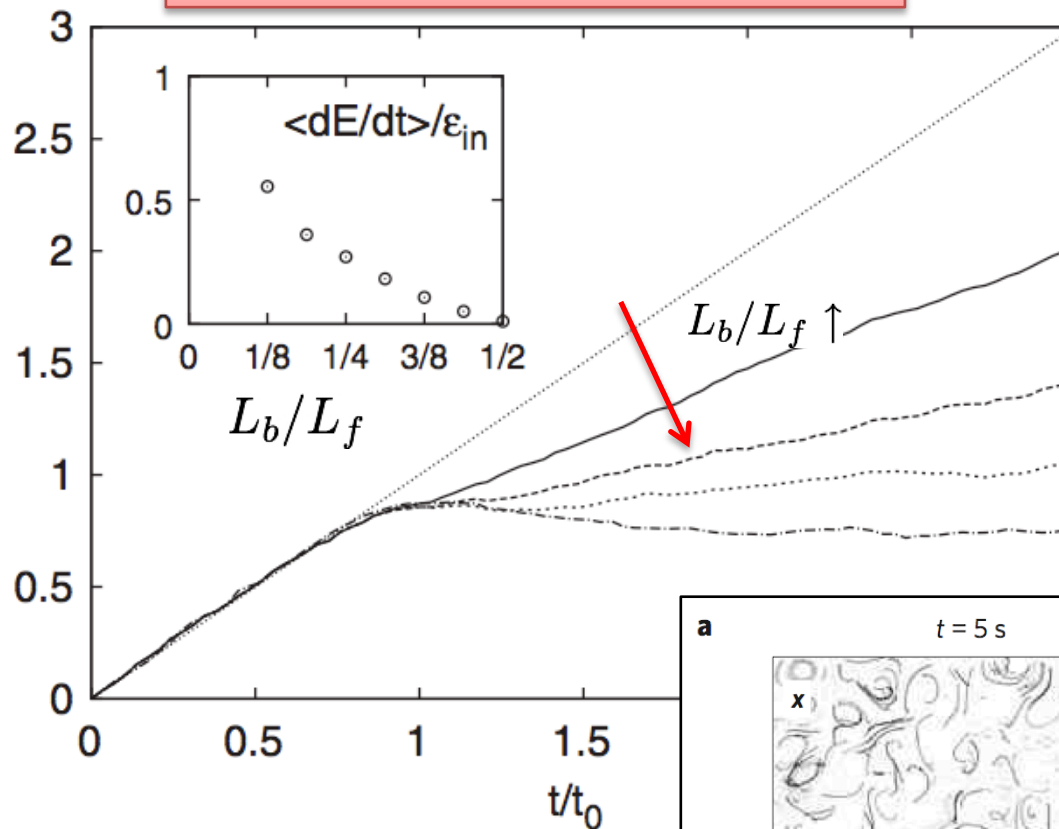
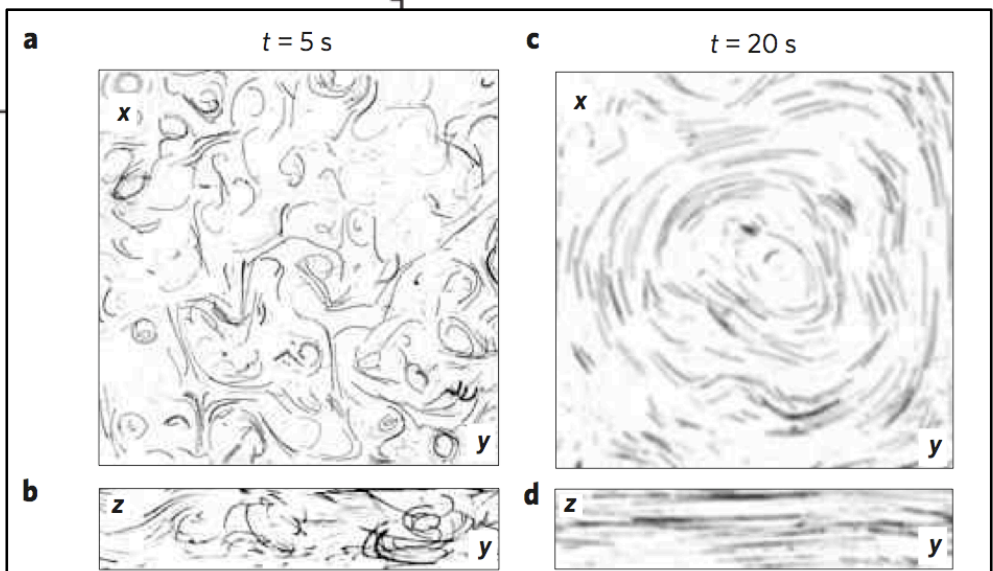


FIG. 1: Summary of the two different possibilities for dual helicity and energy cascades as a function of the wavenumber  $k$  in a Beltrami flow. Left : local case; right : non-local case.

## Turbulence in More than Two and Less than Three Dimensions

Antonio Celani,<sup>1</sup> Stefano Musacchio,<sup>2,3</sup> and Dario Vincenzi<sup>3</sup>CONFINEMENT 3D  $\rightarrow$  2D $E(t)/t_0 \epsilon_{in}$ J. Laurie, G. Boffetta, G. Falkovich, I. Kolokolov,  
and V. Lebedev PRL **113**, 254503–2014Upscale energy transfer in thick turbulent  
fluid layersH. Xia<sup>1</sup>, D. Byrne<sup>1</sup>, G. Falkovich<sup>2</sup> and M. Shats<sup>1\*</sup>

Q: CAN WE DISSECT 3D NS EQUATIONS TO EXTRACT INTERESTING INFORMATION FROM ITS ELEMENTARY CONSTITUENTS?

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \mathbf{v} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \partial) \mathbf{v} = -\partial P + \nu \Delta \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{F} \\ \partial \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0 \\ + \textit{Boundary Conditions} \end{array} \right.$$

Commun. Math. Phys. 115, 435–456 (1988)

## The Beltrami Spectrum for Incompressible Fluid Flows

Peter Constantin<sup>1,★</sup> and Andrew Majda<sup>2,★★</sup>

## The nature of triad interactions in homogeneous turbulence

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$$u(\mathbf{k}) = u^+(\mathbf{k})h^+(\mathbf{k}) + u^-(\mathbf{k})h^-(\mathbf{k})$$

$$h^\pm = \hat{\mathbf{v}} \times \hat{\mathbf{k}} \pm i\hat{\mathbf{v}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{z} \times \mathbf{k} / \|\mathbf{z} \times \mathbf{k}\|$$

$$i\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{h}^\pm = \pm k\mathbf{h}^\pm$$

$$\begin{cases} E = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |u^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 + |u^-(\mathbf{k})|^2; \\ H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} k(|u^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 - |u^-(\mathbf{k})|^2). \end{cases}$$



$$u^{s_k}(\mathbf{k}, t) \quad (s_k = \pm 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} u^{s_k}(\mathbf{k}) + \nu k^2 u^{s_k}(\mathbf{k}) = & \sum_{\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} = 0} \sum_{s_p, s_q} g_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}} (s_p p - s_q q) \\ & \times [u^{s_p}(\mathbf{p}) u^{s_q}(\mathbf{q})]^*. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

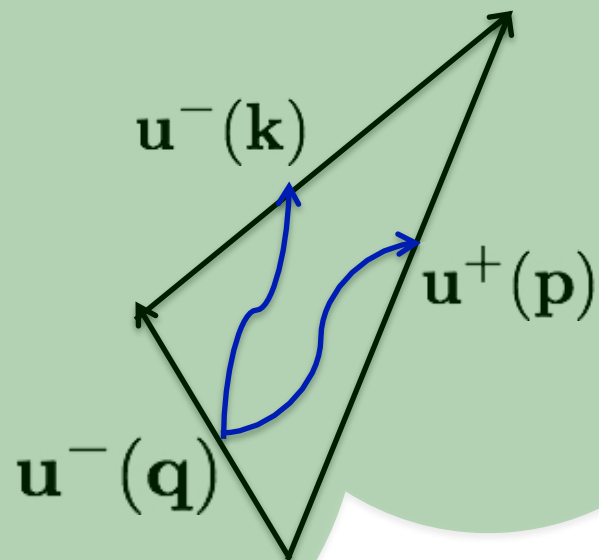
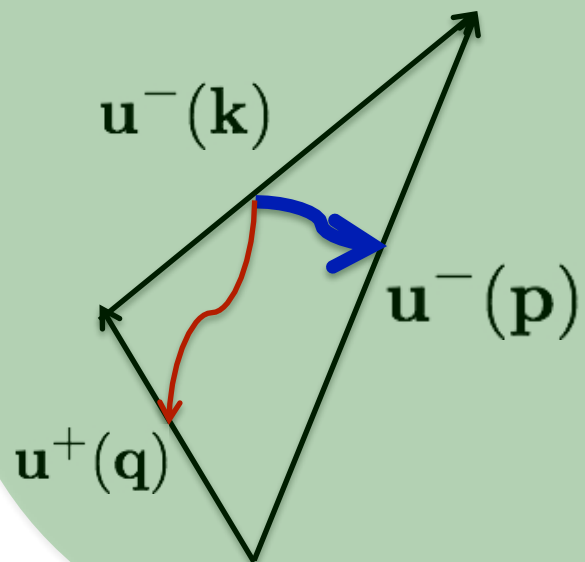
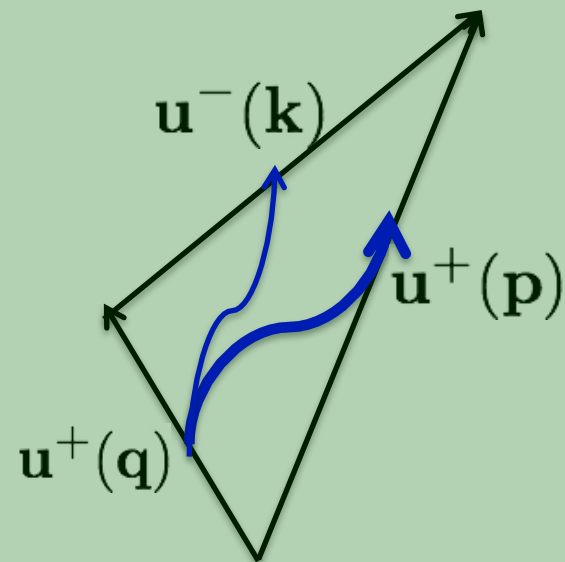
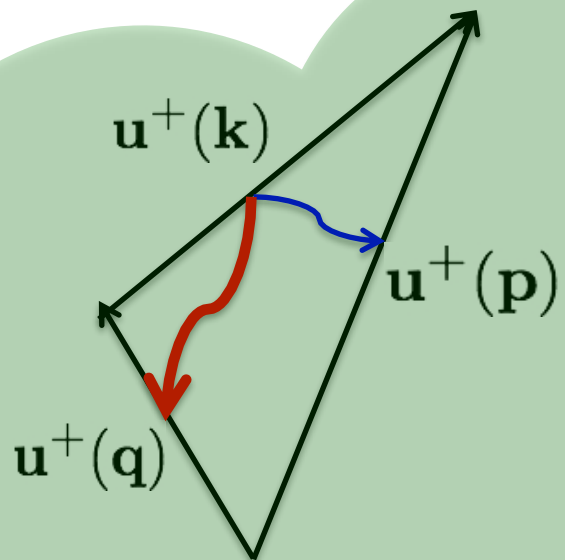
Eight different types of interaction between three modes  $u^{s_k}(\mathbf{k})$ ,  $u^{s_p}(\mathbf{p})$ , and  $u^{s_q}(\mathbf{q})$  with  $|\mathbf{k}| < |\mathbf{p}| < |\mathbf{q}|$  are allowed according to the value of the triplet  $(s_k, s_p, s_q)$

$$\dot{u}^{s_k} = r(s_p p - s_q q) \frac{s_k k + s_p p + s_q q}{p} (u^{s_p} u^{s_q})^*,$$

$$\dot{u}^{s_p} = r(s_q q - s_k k) \frac{s_k k + s_p p + s_q q}{p} (u^{s_q} u^{s_k})^*,$$

$$\dot{u}^{s_q} = r(s_k k - s_p p) \frac{s_k k + s_p p + s_q q}{p} (u^{s_k} u^{s_p})^*.$$

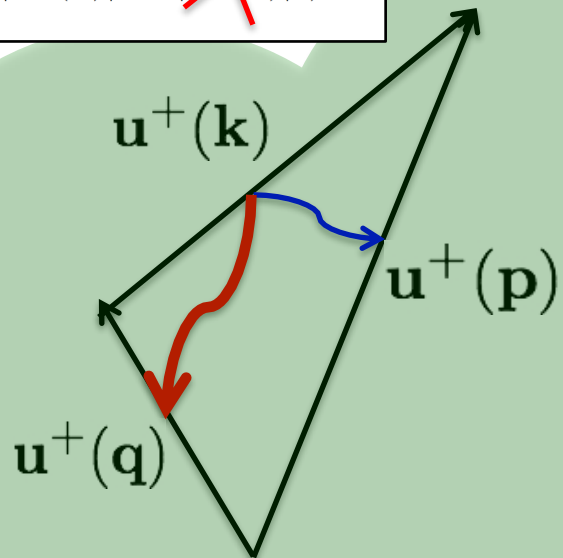
# HELICAL TRIADIC INTERACTION IN THE NAVIER-STOKES EQS



# TRIADIC INTERACTION IN DECIMATED NAVIER-STOKES EQS

HOMOCHIRAL

$$\begin{cases} E = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |u^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 + |\cancel{u^-(\mathbf{k})}|^2; \\ H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} k(|u^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 - |\cancel{u^-(\mathbf{k})}|^2). \end{cases}$$



# HOMOCHIRAL 3D NAVIER STOKES EQS.

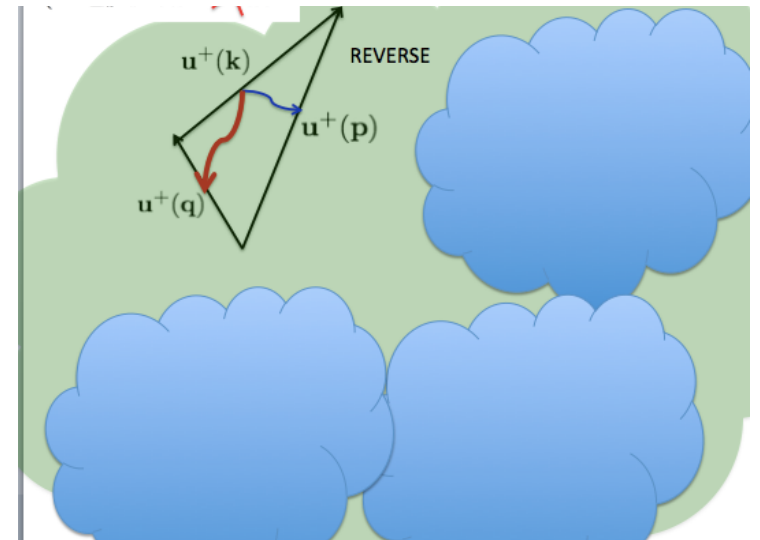
$$\mathcal{P}^{\pm} \equiv \frac{h^{\pm} \otimes \overline{h^{\pm}}}{\overline{h^{\pm}} \cdot h^{\pm}}. \quad v^{\pm}(x) \equiv \sum_k \mathcal{P}^{\pm} u(k);$$

$$u(k) = u^{+}(k)h^{+}(k) + u^{-}(k)h^{-}(k)$$

LOCAL BELTRAMIZATION (IN FOURIER)

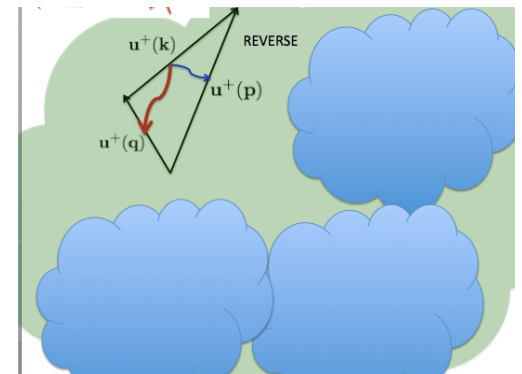
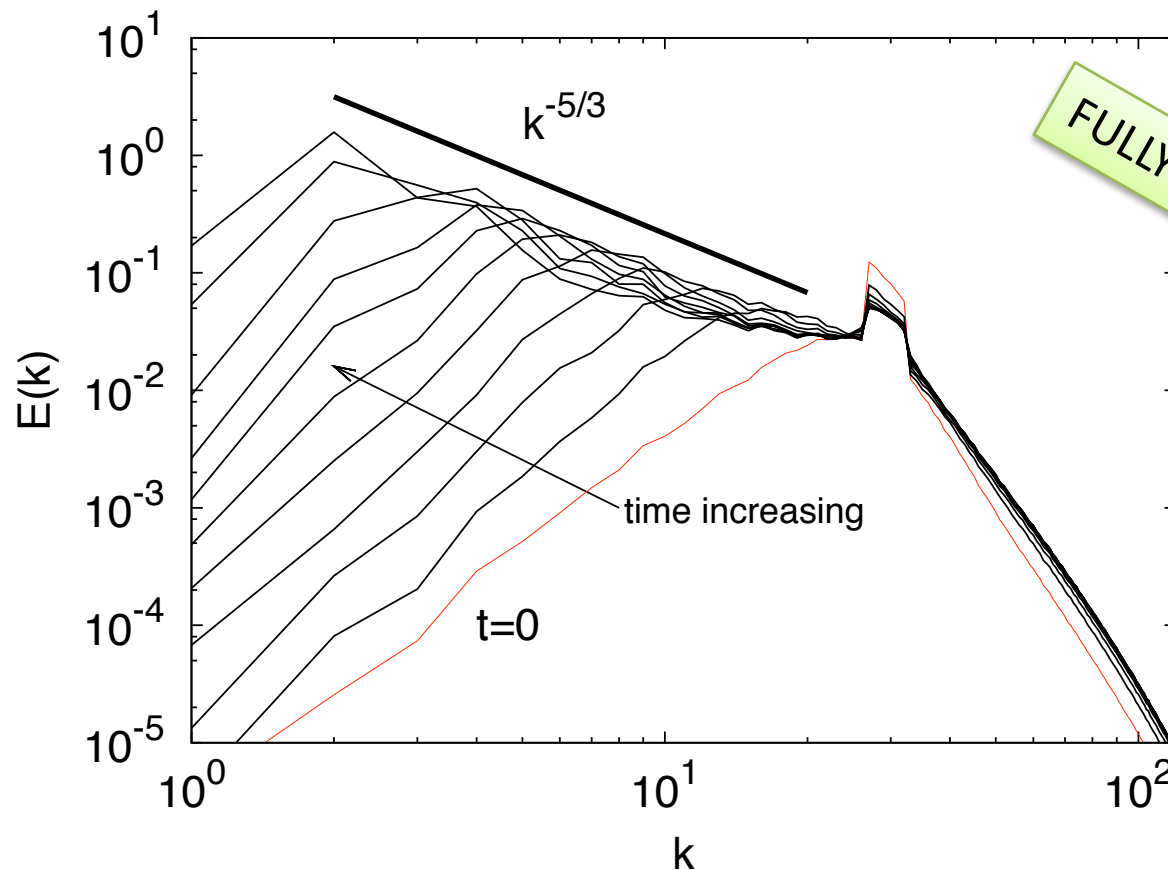
$$\partial_t v^{+} + \mathcal{P}^{+} B[v^{+}, v^{+}] = \nu \Delta v^{+} + \mathbf{f}^{+}$$

decimated-NSE



# HOMOCHIRAL 3D NAVIER STOKES EQS.

$$\begin{cases} E = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |u^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 + |u^-(\mathbf{k})|^2; \\ H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} k(|u^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 - |u^-(\mathbf{k})|^2). \end{cases}$$





EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS OF WEAK SOLUTIONS OF THE HELICAL-DECIMATED NSE

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \mathbf{v}^+ = \mathcal{P}^+(-\mathbf{v}^+ \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}^+ - \nabla p^+) + \nu \Delta \mathbf{v}^+ + \mathbf{f}^+ \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^+ = 0 \end{cases}$$

HILBERT-NORM COINCIDES WITH THE SIGN-DEFINITE HELICITY

$$||g||_{H^{1/2}}^2 = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} k |g(\mathbf{k})|^2$$

CONSERVATION HELICITY: NEW APRIORI BOUND ON THE VELOCITY

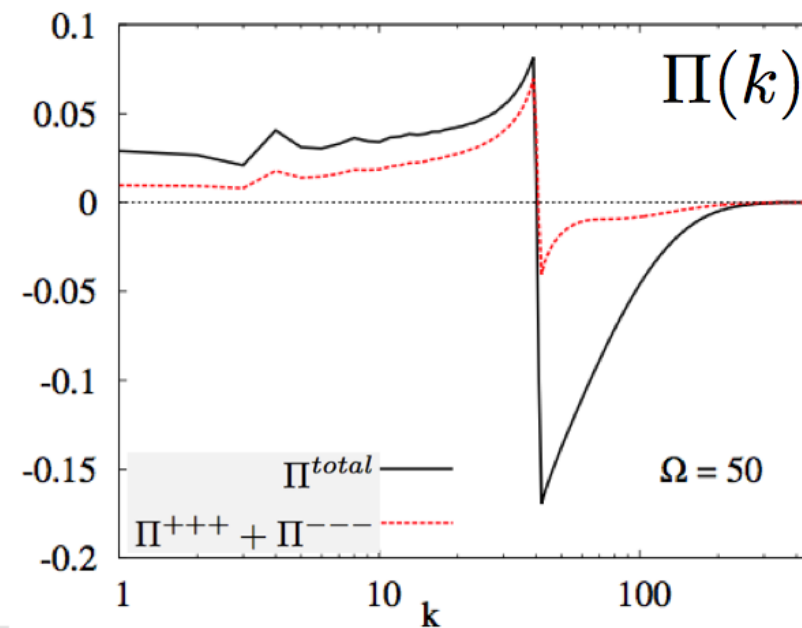
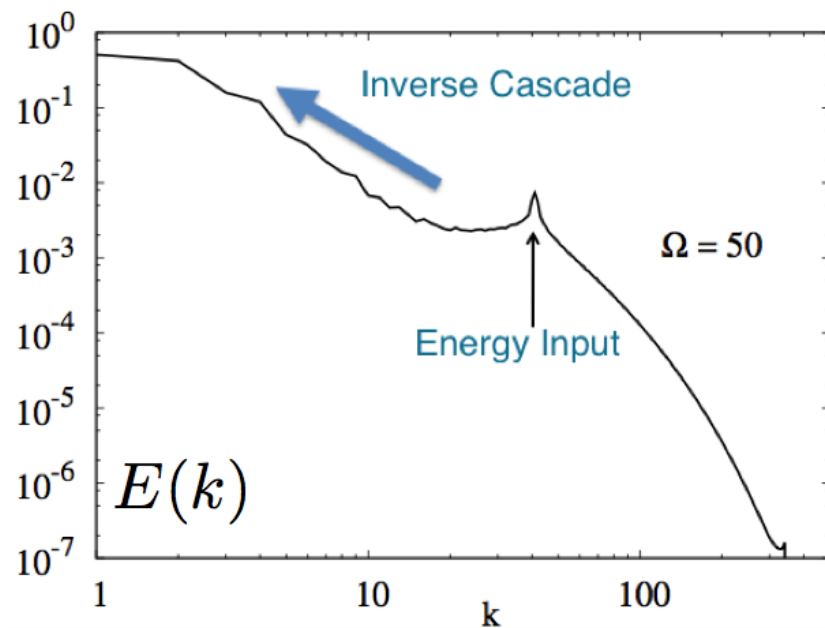
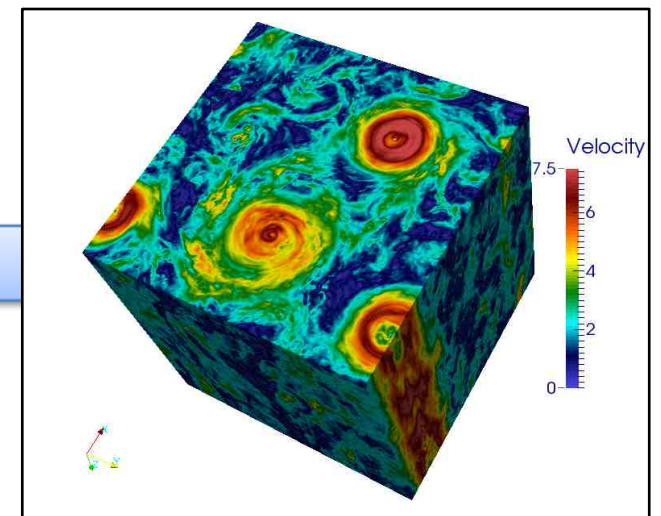
$$\frac{1}{2} \partial_t \sum_{\mathbf{k}} k |u^+(\mathbf{k}, t)|^2 + \frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} k^3 |u^+(\mathbf{k}, t)|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2\nu} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |f^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 k^{-1}.$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \partial_t ||v^+||_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}}^2 + \frac{\nu}{2} ||v^+||_{H^{\frac{3}{2}}}^2 \leq \frac{1}{2\nu} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |f^+(\mathbf{k})|^2 k^{-1}.$$

$$v^+ \in L_t^\infty H_x^{\frac{1}{2}}; \quad \sqrt{\nu} v^+ \in L_t^2 H_x^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

## Inverse cascade at $\Omega = 50$

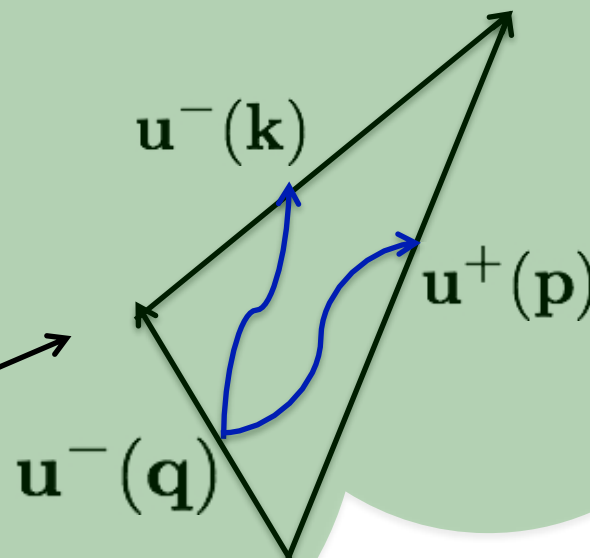
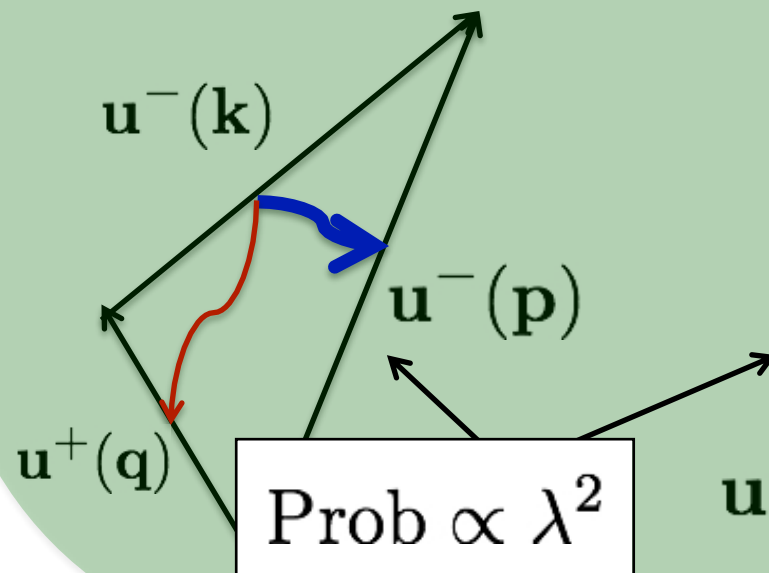
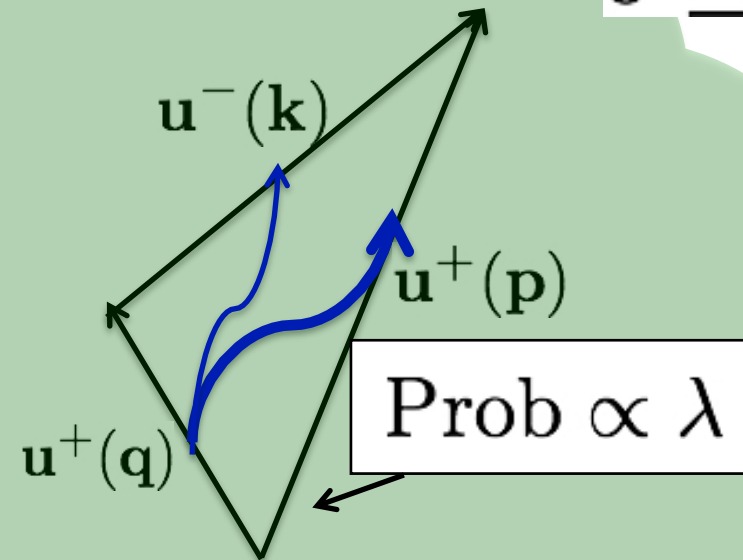
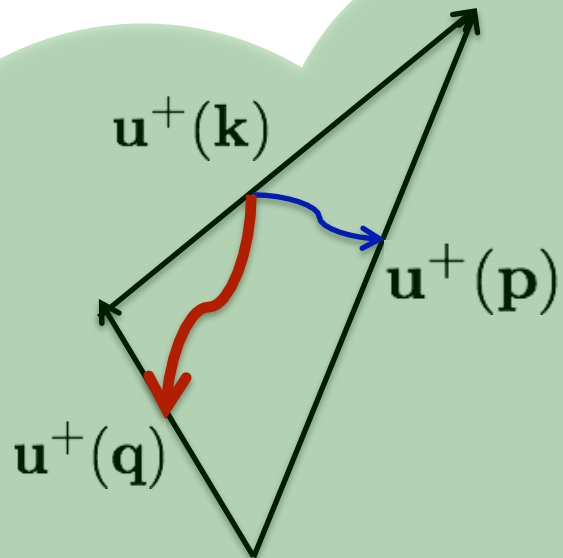
Inverse flux is brought mainly by +++ and --- triads.



$$\Pi^{(+++)}(k) = \langle u_{<k}^+ N(u^+, u^+) \rangle \quad Ro \sim 0.15$$

# TRIADIC INTERACTION IN STOCHASTICALLY DECIMATED NAVIER-STOKES EQS

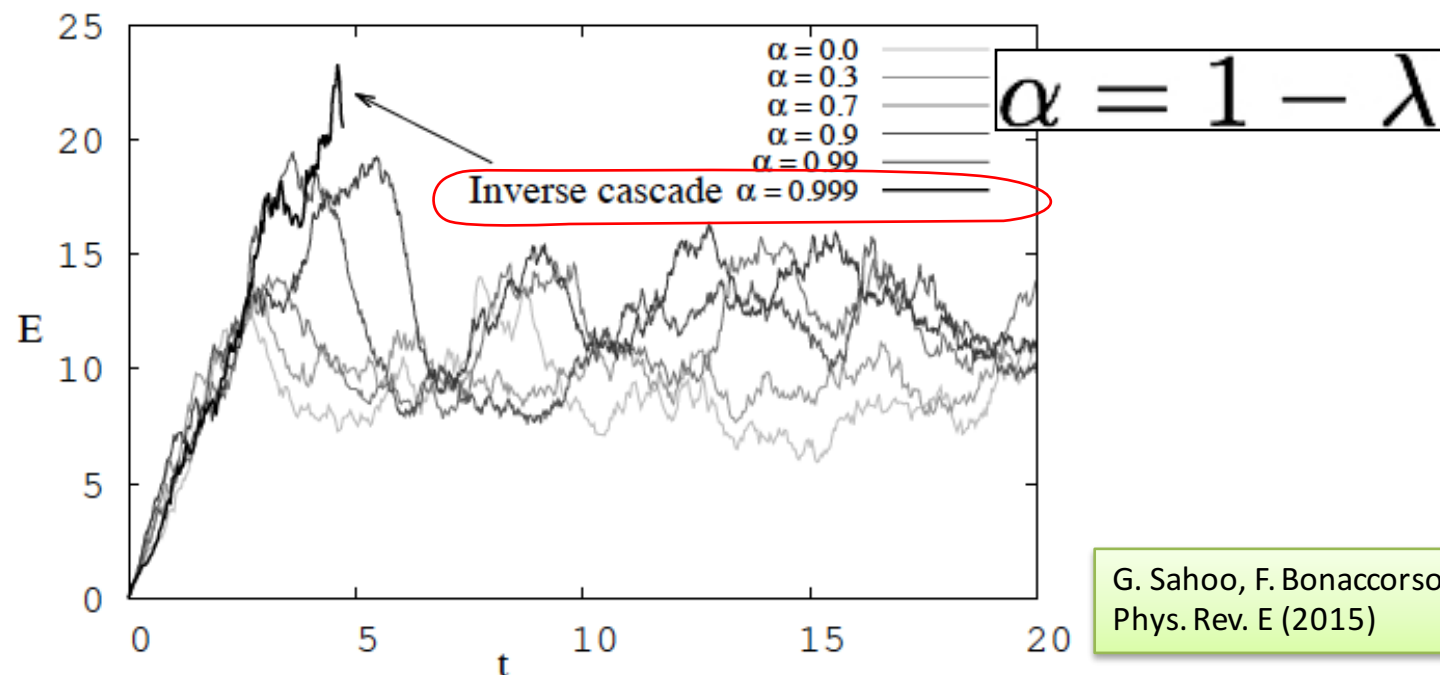
$$0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$$



$$u^\alpha(x) \equiv D^\alpha u(x) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k}x} \mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{k}}^\alpha u_{\mathbf{k}}, \quad (4)$$

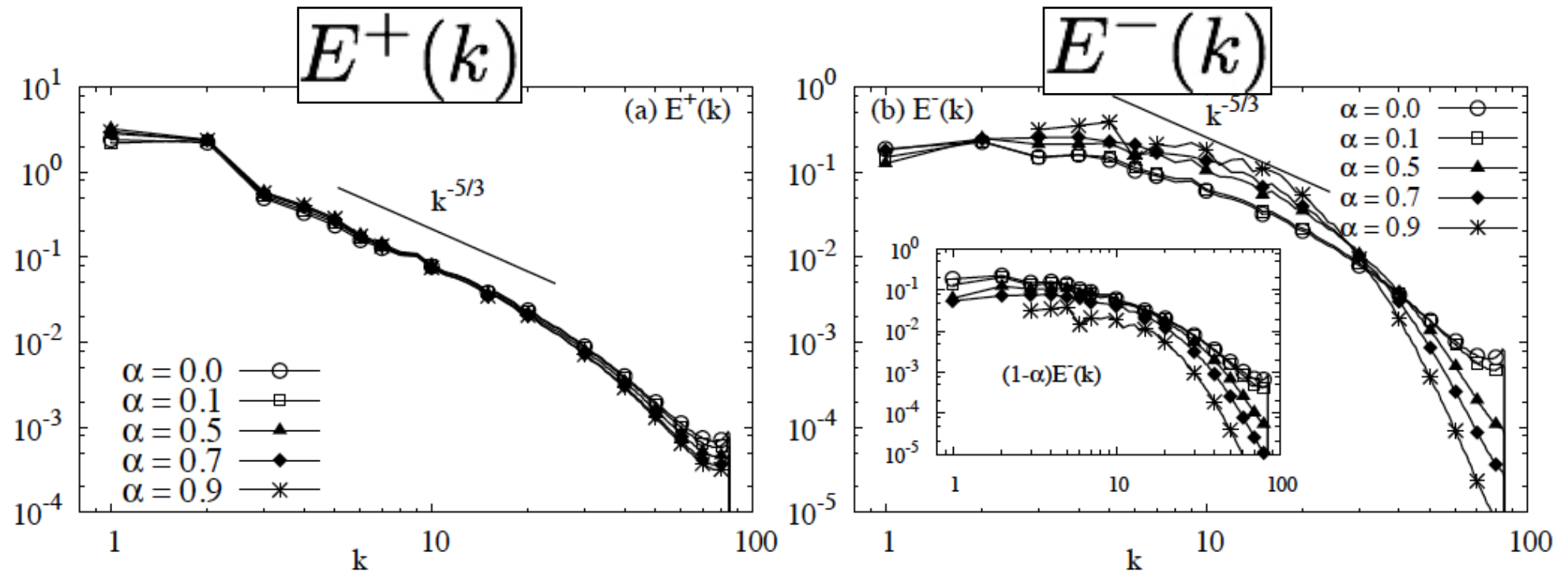
where  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{k}}^\alpha \equiv (1 - \gamma_{\mathbf{k}}^\alpha) + \gamma_{\mathbf{k}}^\alpha \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{k}}^+$  and  $\gamma_{\mathbf{k}}^\alpha = 1$  with probability  $\alpha$  or  $\gamma_{\mathbf{k}}^\alpha = 0$  with probability  $1 - \alpha$ . The  $\alpha$ -decimated Navier-Stokes equations ( $\alpha$ -NSE) are

$$\partial_t u^\alpha = D^\alpha [-u^\alpha \cdot \nabla u^\alpha - \nabla p^\alpha] + \nu \Delta u^\alpha, \quad (5)$$



$$E(k) = E^+(k) + E^-(k)$$

$$H(k) = k(E^+(k) - E^-(k))$$

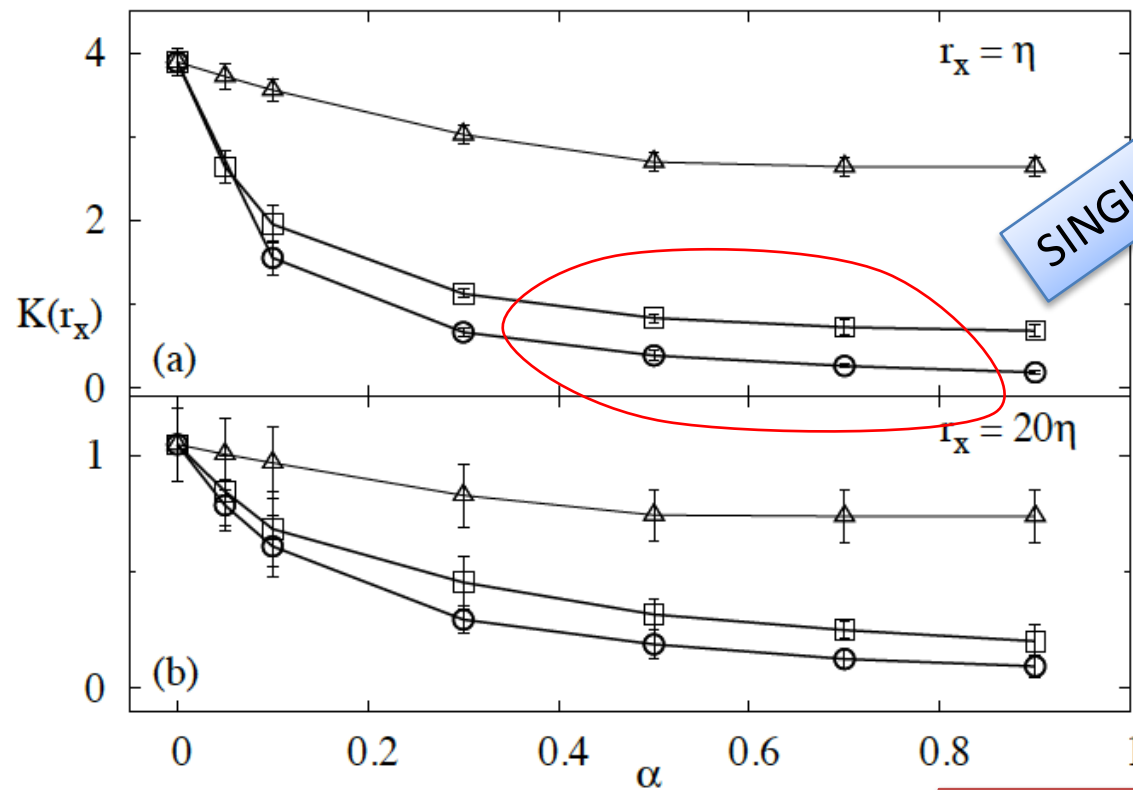


RECOVERY OF MIRROR SYMMETRY



# TRIADIC INTERACTION IN STOCHASTICALLY DECIMATED NAVIER-STOKES EQS

$$K(r) = \frac{\langle (\delta_r v)^4 \rangle}{\langle (\delta_r v)^2 \rangle^2} - 3$$



SINGULAR EFFECT ON INTERMITTENCY

G. Sahoo, F. Bonaccorso and L. B.  
Phys. Rev. E (2015)

FULL NS

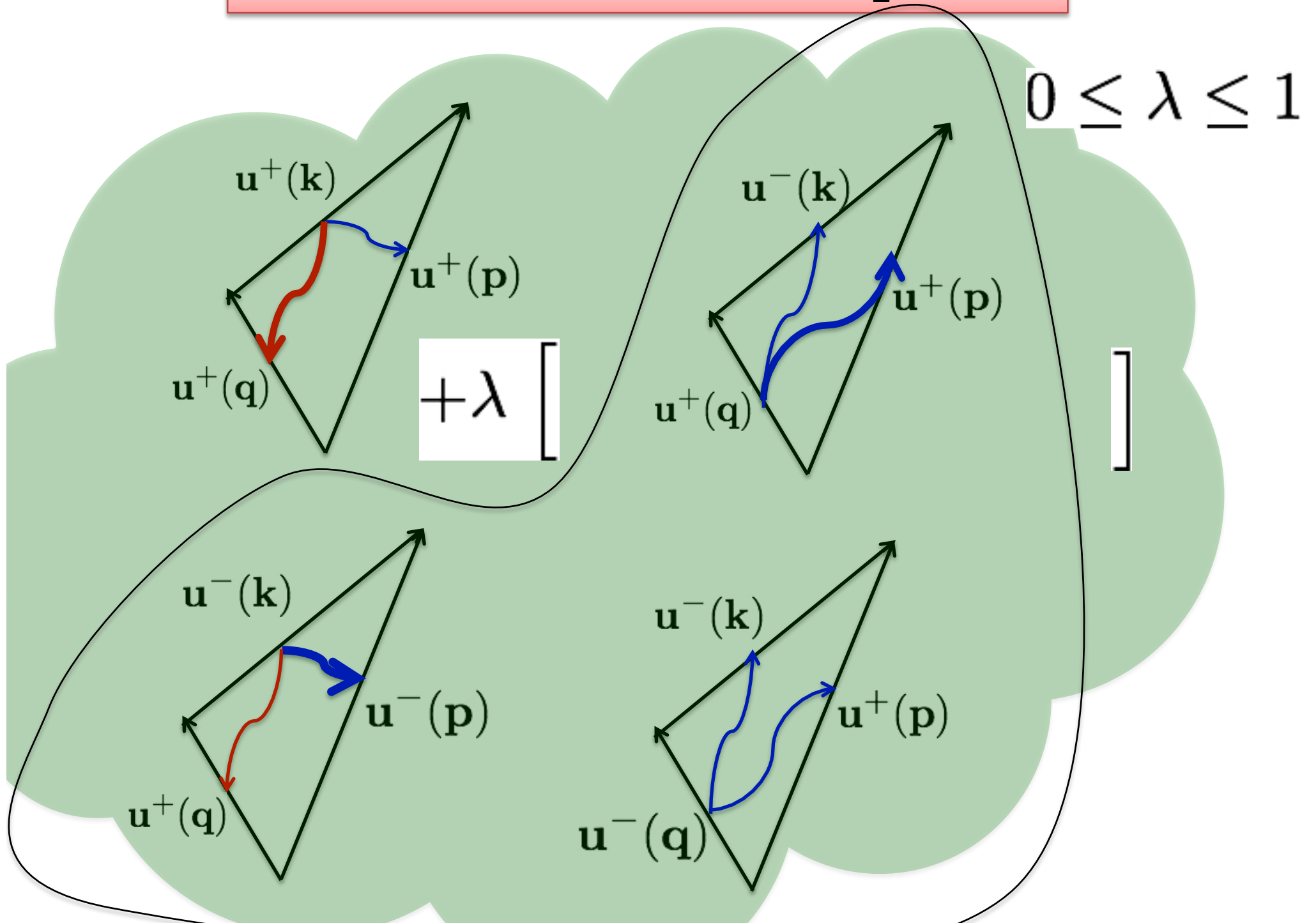
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# TRIADIC INTERACTION IN REWEIGHTED NAVIER-STOKES EQS

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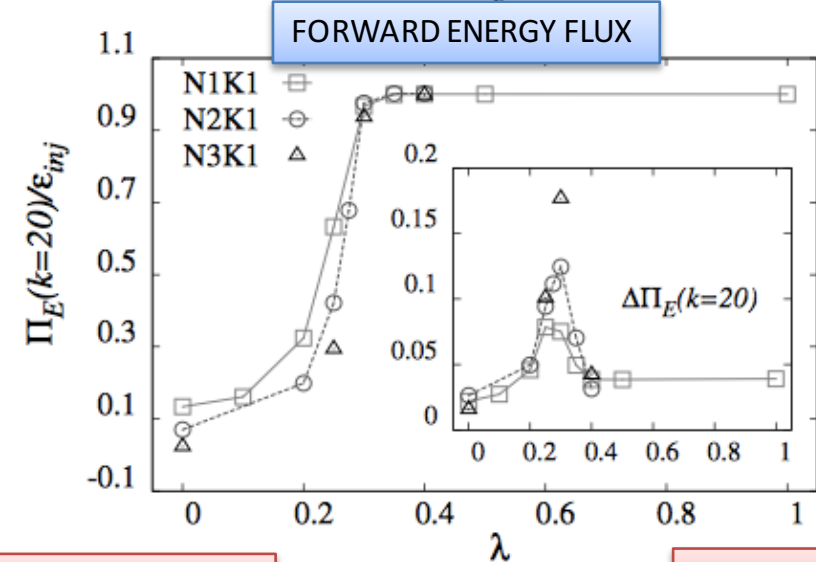
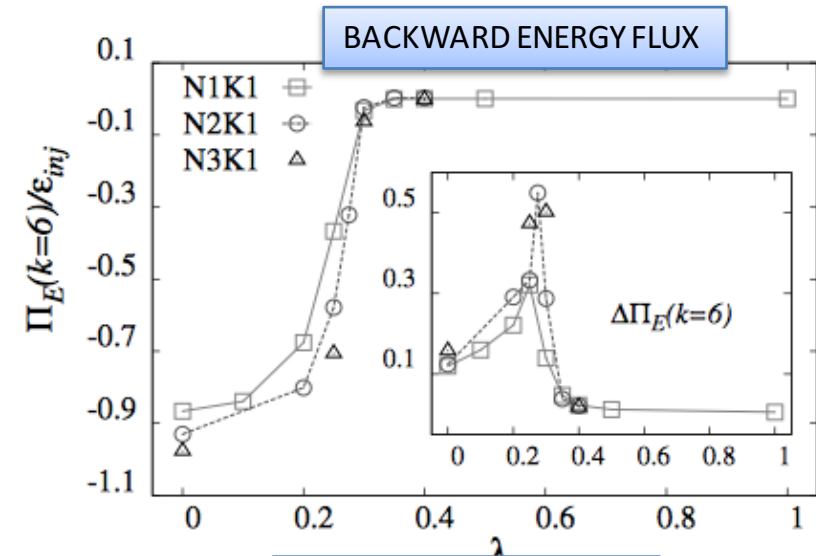
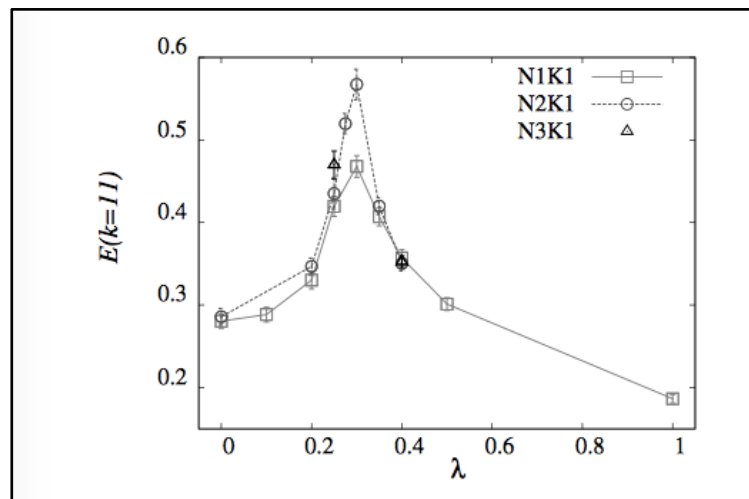
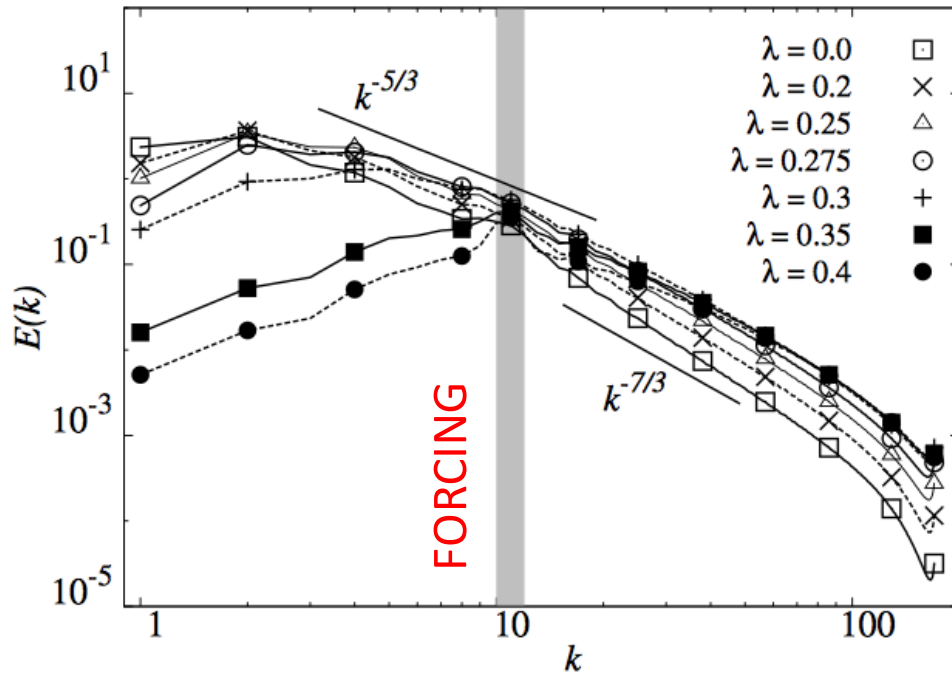
$$+ \lambda \left[ \right.$$

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# TRIADIC INTERACTION IN REWEIGHTED NAVIER-STOKES EQS

$$\mathcal{N} = \lambda(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w}) + (1 - \lambda)[\mathbb{P}^+(\mathbf{u}^+ \times \mathbf{w}^+) + \mathbb{P}^-(\mathbf{u}^- \times \mathbf{w}^-)]$$



WITH G. SAHOO AND A. ALEXAKIS (PRL **118**, 164501, 2017)

HOMO CHIRAL

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## CONCLUSIONS

ROLE OF HELICITY IN THE FORWARD/BACKWARD 3D ENERGY TRANSFER (FOURIER)

ROLE OF HOMO-CHIRAL TRIADS VISIBLE ALSO IN ROTATING TURBULENCE

EXISTENCE OF A SHARP PHASE-TRANSITION BACKWARD/FORWARD IF SOME NON-LINEAR INTERACTION ARE REWEIGHTED

HETERO-CHIRAL TRIADS PLAY A SINGULAR ROLE FOR INTERMITTENCY IF PARTICIPATING WITH THE CORRECT PREFACTOR

IMPLICATION FOR REGULARITY OF SOLUTIONS

IMPLICATION FOR SMALL AND LARGE SCALE DYNAMO

IMPLICATION FOR REAL-SPACE INTERMITTENCY AND ENERGY BACKSCATTER?

# Helicity and singular structures in fluid dynamics

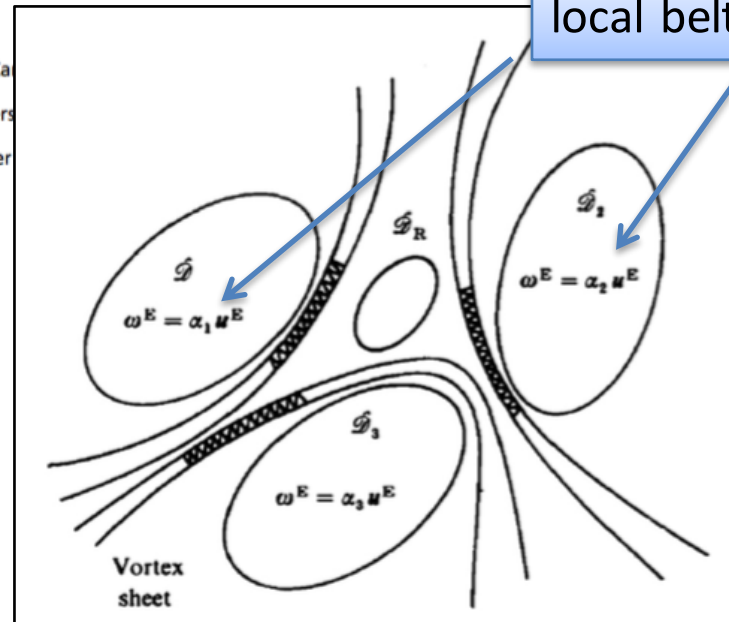
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Helicity is, like energy, a quadratic invariant of the Euler equations of ideal fluid flow, although, unlike energy, it is not sign definite. In physical terms, it represents the degree of linkage of the vortex lines of a flow, conserved when conditions are such that these vortex lines are frozen in the fluid. Some basic properties of helicity are reviewed, with particular reference to (i) its crucial role in the dynamo excitation of magnetic fields in cosmic systems; (ii) its bearing on the existence of Euler flows of arbitrarily complex streamline topology; (iii) the constraining role of the analogous magnetic helicity in the determination of stable knotted minimum-energy magnetostatic structures; and (iv) its role in depleting nonlinearity in the Navier-Stokes equations, with implications for the coherent structures and energy cascade of turbulence. In a final section, some singular phenomena in low Reynolds number flows are briefly described.



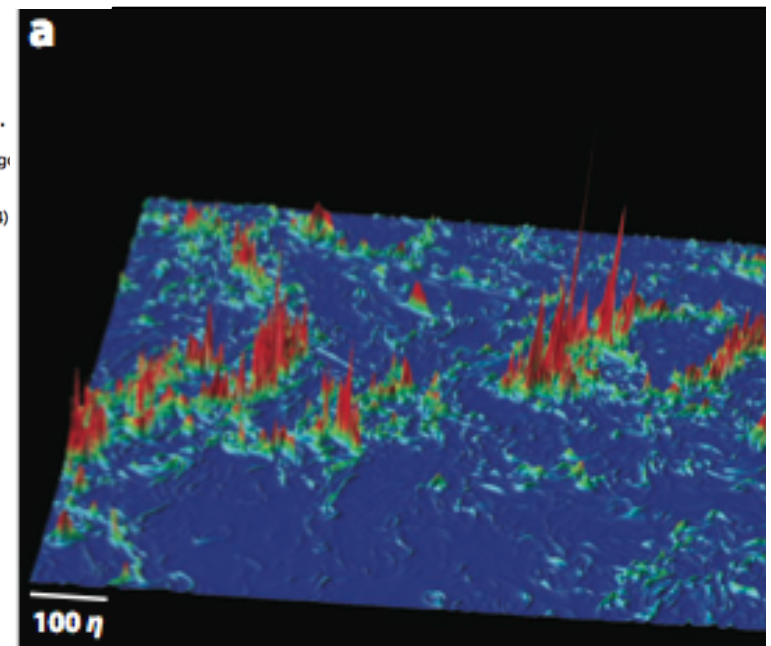
## Helicity conservation by flow across scales in reconnecting vortex links and knots

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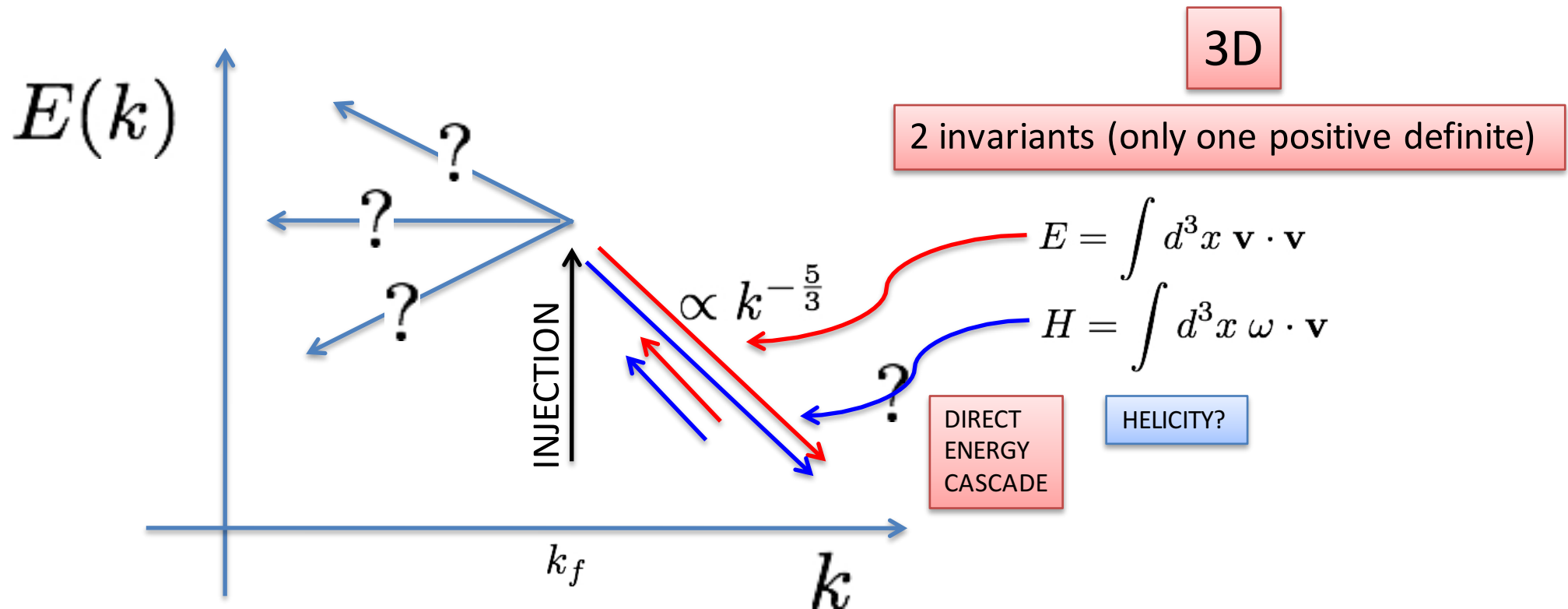
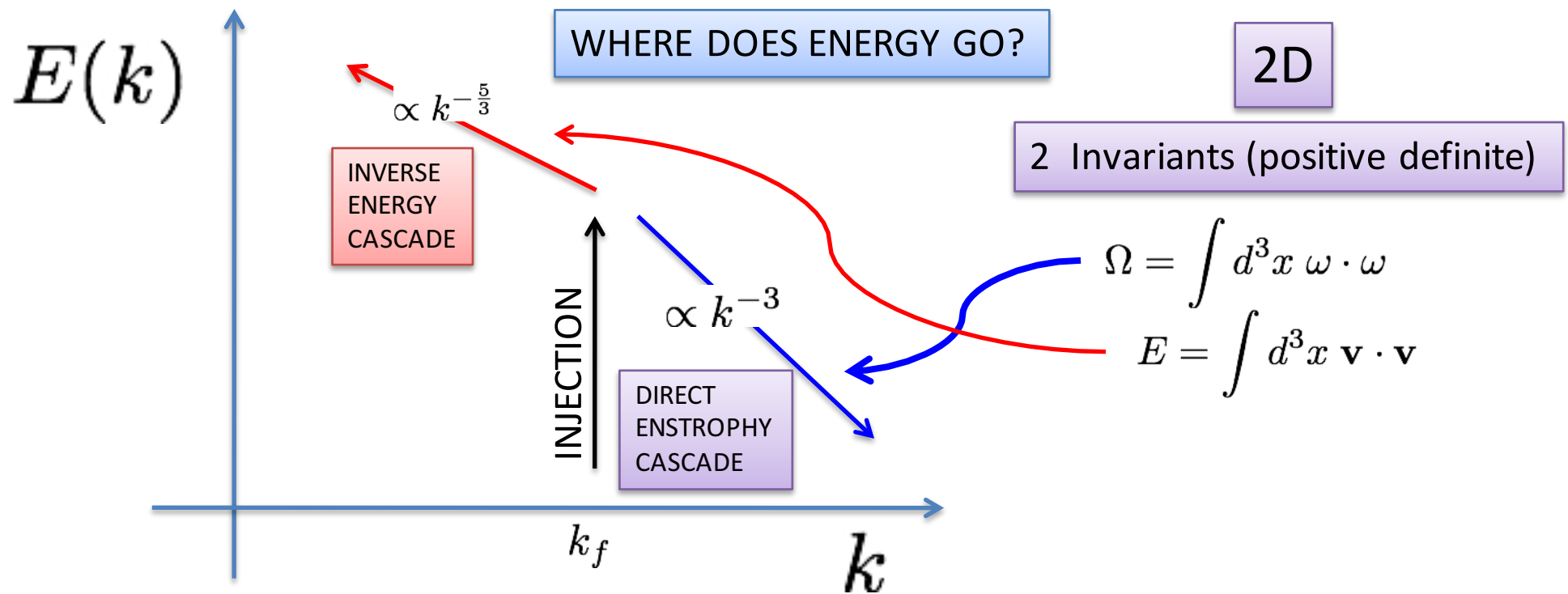
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The conjecture that helicity (or knottedness) is a fundamental conserved quantity has a rich history in fluid mechanics, but the nature of this conservation in the presence of dissipation has proven difficult to resolve. Making use of recent advances, we create vortex knots and links in viscous fluids and simulated superfluids and track their geometry through topology-changing reconnections. We find that the reassociation of vortex lines through a reconnection enables the transfer of helicity from links and knots to helical coils. This process is remarkably efficient, owing to the antiparallel orientation spontaneously adopted by the reconnecting vortices. Using a new method for quantifying the spatial helicity spectrum, we find that the reconnection process can be viewed as transferring helicity between scales, rather than dissipating it. We also infer the presence of geometric deformations that convert helical coils into even smaller scale twist, where it may ultimately be dissipated. Our results suggest that helicity conservation plays an important role in fluids and related fields, even in the presence of dissipation.









# On the Global Regularity of a Helical-Decimated Version of the 3D Navier-Stokes Equations

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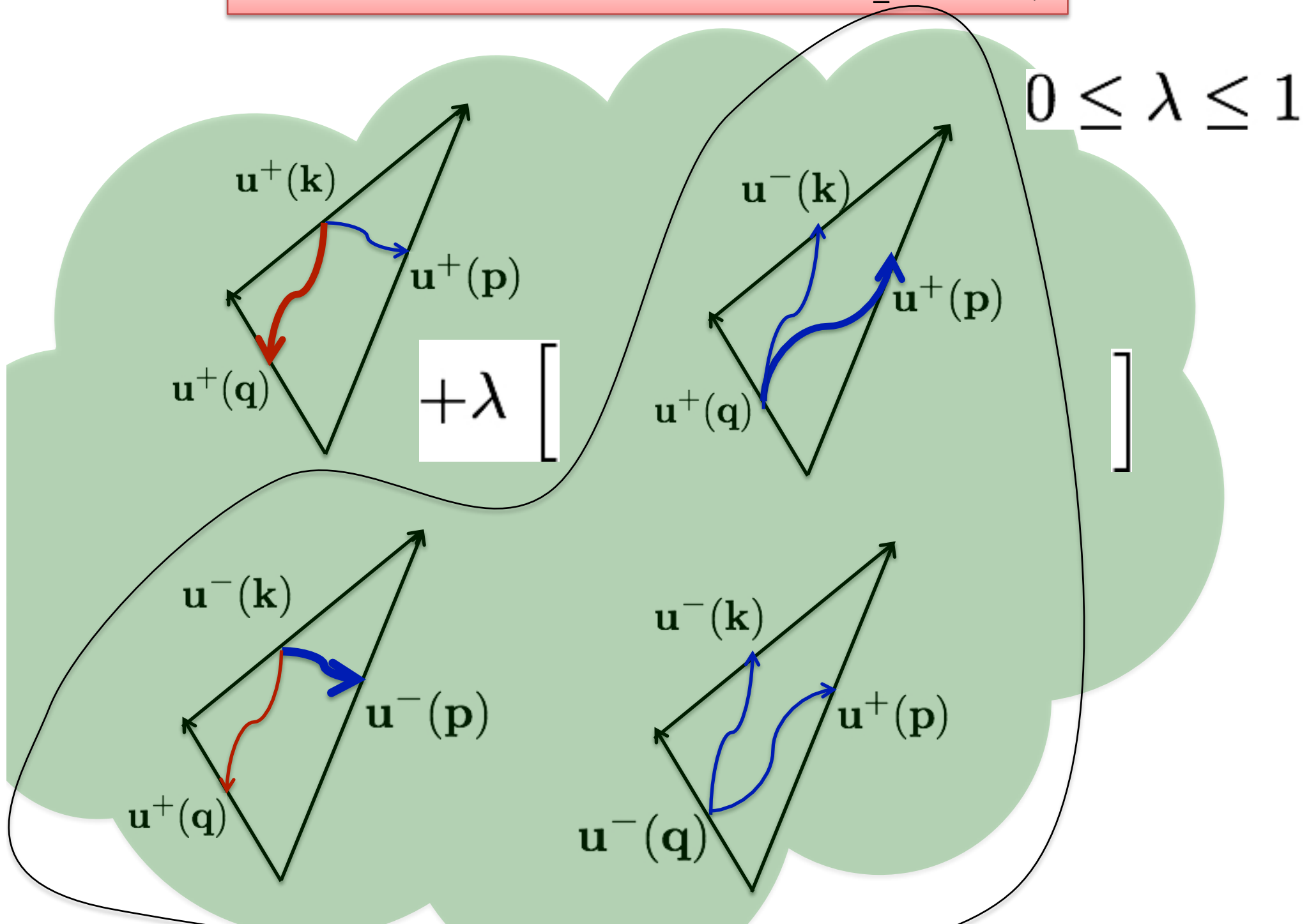
We study the global regularity, for all time and all initial data in  $H^{1/2}$ , of a recently introduced decimated version of the incompressible 3D Navier-Stokes (dNS) equations. The model is based on a projection of the dynamical evolution of Navier-Stokes (NS) equations into the subspace where helicity (the  $L^2$ -scalar product of velocity and vorticity) is sign-definite. The presence of a second (beside energy) sign-definite inviscid conserved quadratic quantity, which is equivalent to the  $H^{1/2}$ -Sobolev norm, allows us to demonstrate global existence and uniqueness, of space-periodic solutions, together with continuity with respect to the initial conditions, for this decimated 3D model. This is achieved thanks to the establishment of two new estimates, for this 3D model, which show that the  $H^{1/2}$  and the time average of the square of the  $H^{3/2}$  norms of the velocity field remain finite. Such two additional bounds are known, in the spirit of the work of H. Fujita and T. Kato (Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. 16:269–315, [1964](#); Rend. Semin. Mat. Univ. Padova 32:243–260, [1962](#)), to be sufficient for showing well-posedness for the 3D NS equations. Furthermore, they are directly linked to the helicity evolution for the dNS model, and therefore with a clear physical meaning and consequences.

# TRIADIC INTERACTION IN REWEIGHTED NAVIER-STOKES EQS

$$0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$$

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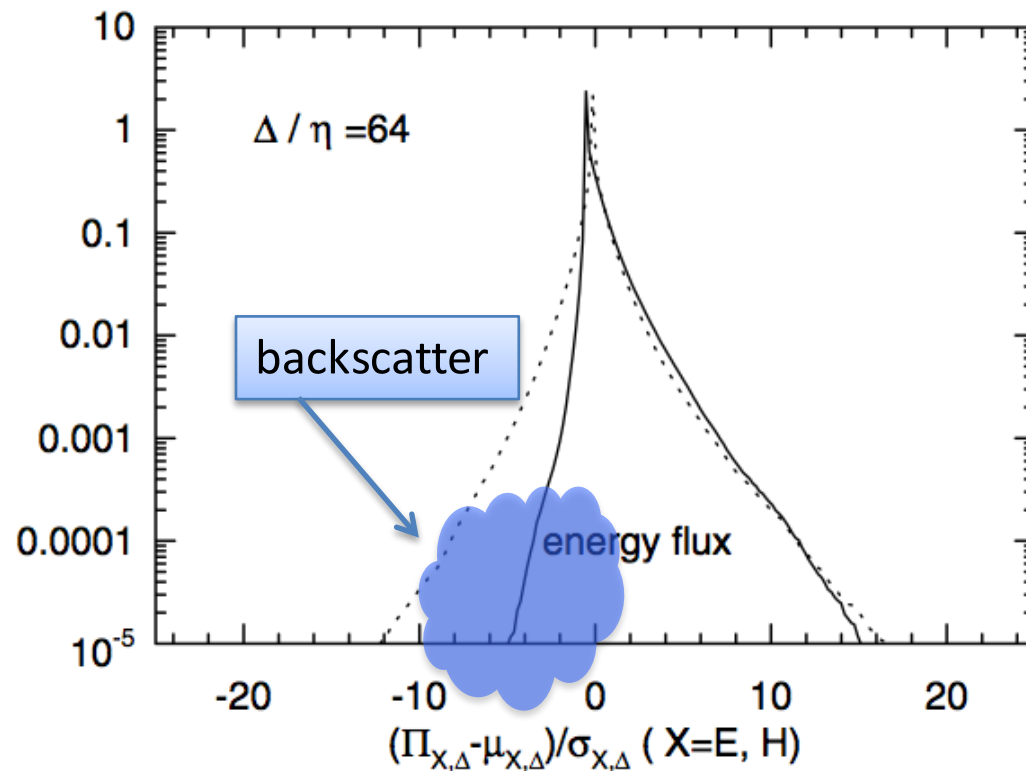
$$\partial_t \bar{\mathbf{v}} + (\bar{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \nabla) \bar{\mathbf{v}} = -\nabla \bar{p} - \nabla \cdot \tau(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}) + \nu \Delta \bar{\mathbf{v}}$$

SUB GRID /REYNOLDS STRESS:  $\tau_{ij}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}) = \overline{v_i v_j} - \bar{v}_i \bar{v}_j$

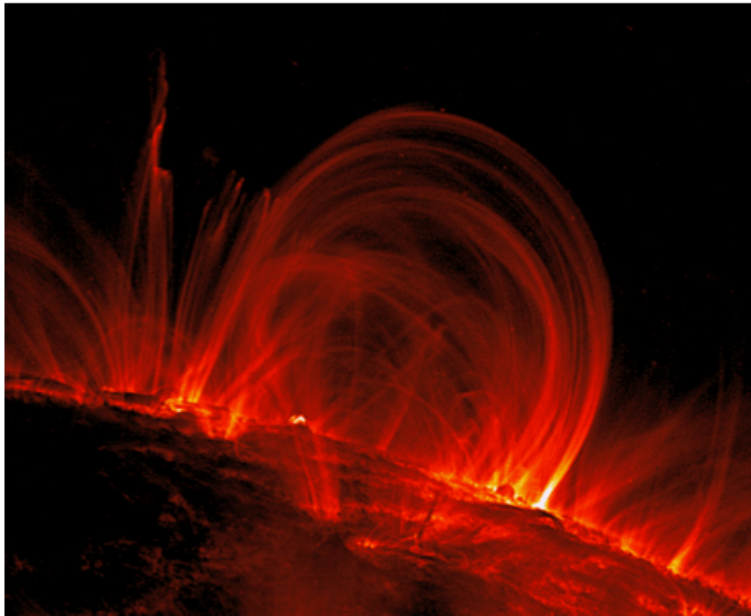
$$\partial_t \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_i \bar{v}_i + \partial_j A_j = -\Pi$$

SUB GRID ENERGY TRANSFER:

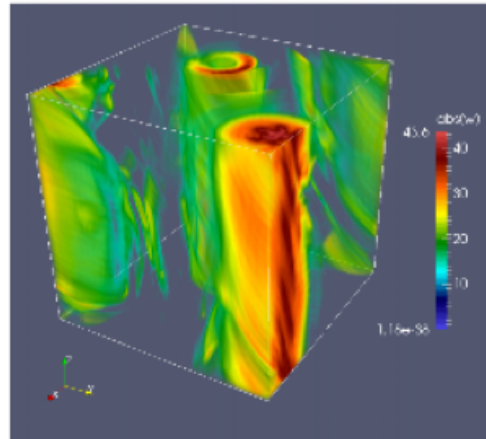
$$\Pi = -\tau_{ij} \bar{S}_{ij} \quad \bar{S}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_i \bar{v}_j + \partial_j \bar{v}_i)$$



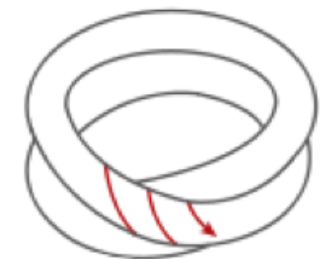
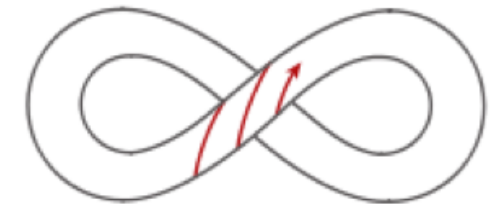
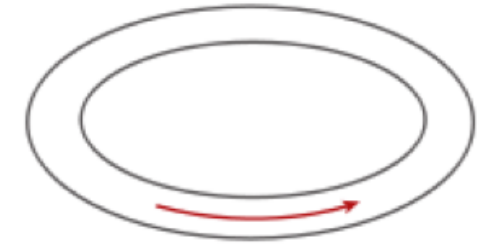
# Large-scale magnetic fields in MHD



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$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{\rho} (\nabla \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{b} + \nu \Delta \mathbf{u}$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{b} + \eta \Delta \mathbf{b}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$$

$$H_m(t) = \int_V d\mathbf{x} \, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, t) \cdot \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}, t) \rightarrow \text{inverse cascade}$$

$$H_k(t) = \int_V d\mathbf{x} \, \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, t) \rightarrow \text{dynamo action (e.g. } \alpha\text{-effect)}$$

# Helical Fourier decomposition

$$(\partial_t + \nu k^2) u_k^{s_k*} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{q}=0} \left( \sum_{s_p, s_q} g_{s_p s_q}^{s_k} (s_p p - s_q q) u_p^{s_p} u_q^{s_q} - \sum_{\sigma_p, \sigma_q} g_{\sigma_p \sigma_q}^{s_k} (\sigma_p p - \sigma_q q) b_p^{\sigma_p} b_q^{\sigma_q} \right), \quad \text{LORENTZ}$$

$$(\partial_t + \eta k^2) b_k^{\sigma_k*} = \frac{\sigma_k k}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{q}=0} \left( \sum_{\sigma_p, s_q} g_{\sigma_p s_q}^{\sigma_k} b_p^{\sigma_p} u_q^{s_q} - \sum_{s_p, \sigma_q} g_{s_p \sigma_q}^{\sigma_k} u_p^{s_p} b_q^{\sigma_q} \right)$$

ADVECTION + STRETCHING

$$\begin{aligned} E_{kin} &= \sum_k |u_k^+|^2 + |u_k^-|^2 & H_{kin} &= \sum_k k (|u_k^+|^2 - |u_k^-|^2) \\ E_{mag} &= \sum_k (|b_k^+|^2 + |b_k^-|^2) & H_{mag} &= \sum_k k^{-1} (|b_k^+|^2 - |b_k^-|^2) \end{aligned}$$

## Stability analysis

$$\partial_t u_{\mathbf{k}}^{s_k*} = g_{s_p s_q}^{s_k} (s_p p - s_q q) u_{\mathbf{p}}^{s_p} u_{\mathbf{q}}^{s_q} - g_{\sigma_p \sigma_q}^{s_k} (\sigma_p p - \sigma_q q) b_{\mathbf{p}}^{\sigma_p} b_{\mathbf{q}}^{\sigma_q}$$

$$\partial_t u_{\mathbf{p}}^{s_p*} = g_{s_q s_k}^{s_p} (s_q q - s_k k) u_{\mathbf{q}}^{s_q} u_{\mathbf{k}}^{s_k} - g_{\sigma_q \sigma_k}^{s_p} (\sigma_q q - \sigma_k k) b_{\mathbf{q}}^{\sigma_q} b_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma_k}$$

$$\partial_t u_{\mathbf{q}}^{s_q*} = g_{s_k s_p}^{s_q} (s_k k - s_p p) u_{\mathbf{k}}^{s_k} u_{\mathbf{p}}^{s_p} - g_{\sigma_k \sigma_p}^{s_q} (\sigma_k k - \sigma_p p) b_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma_k} b_{\mathbf{p}}^{\sigma_p}$$

$$\partial_t b_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma_k*} = \sigma_k k \left( g_{\sigma_p \sigma_q}^{\sigma_k} b_{\mathbf{p}}^{\sigma_p} u_{\mathbf{q}}^{s_q} - g_{s_p s_q}^{\sigma_k} u_{\mathbf{p}}^{s_p} b_{\mathbf{q}}^{\sigma_q} \right)$$

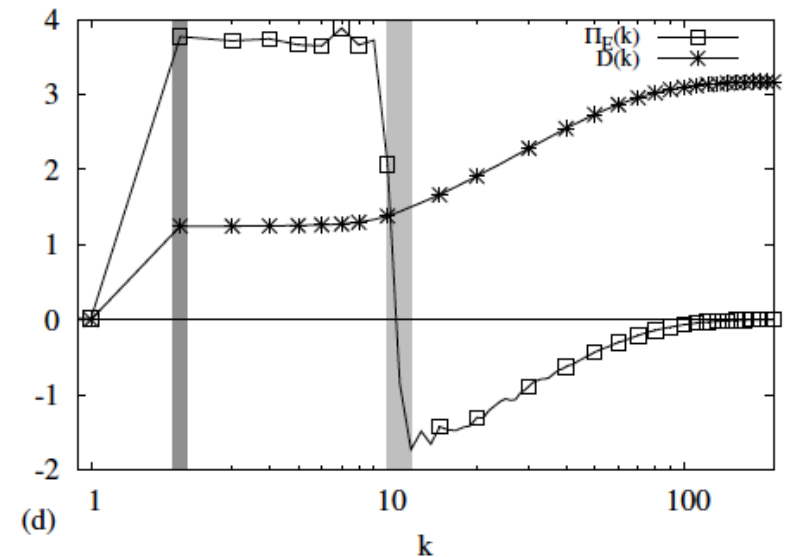
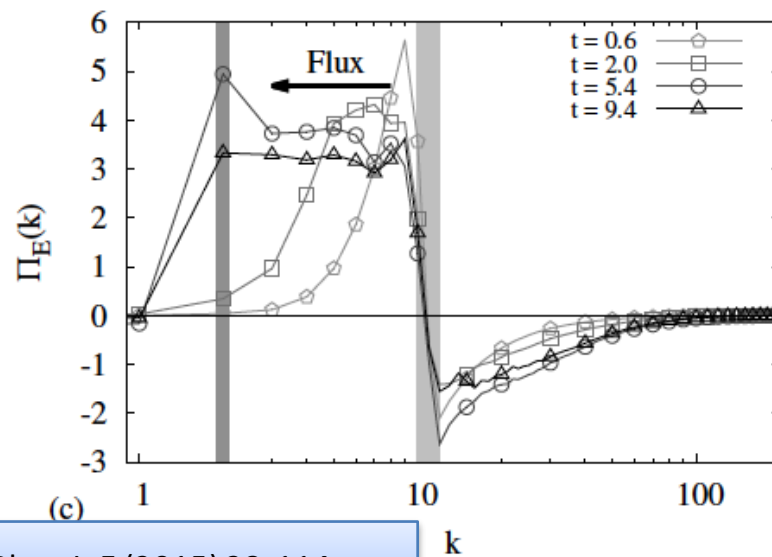
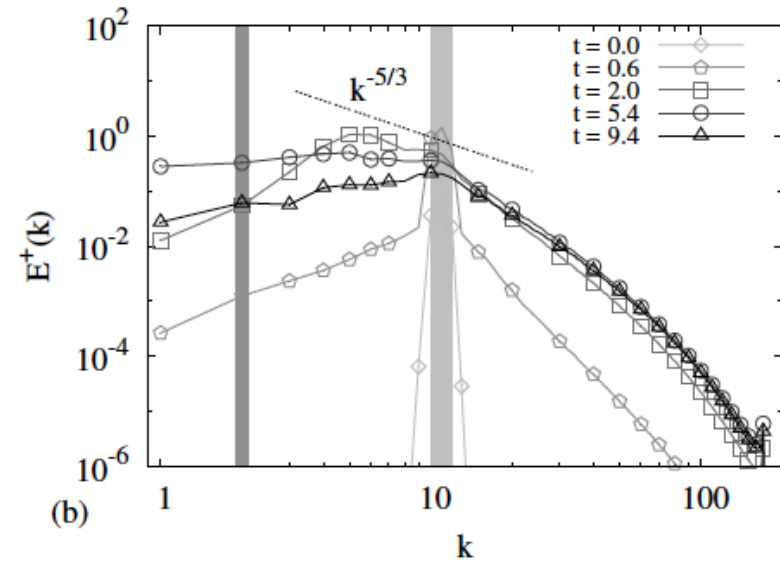
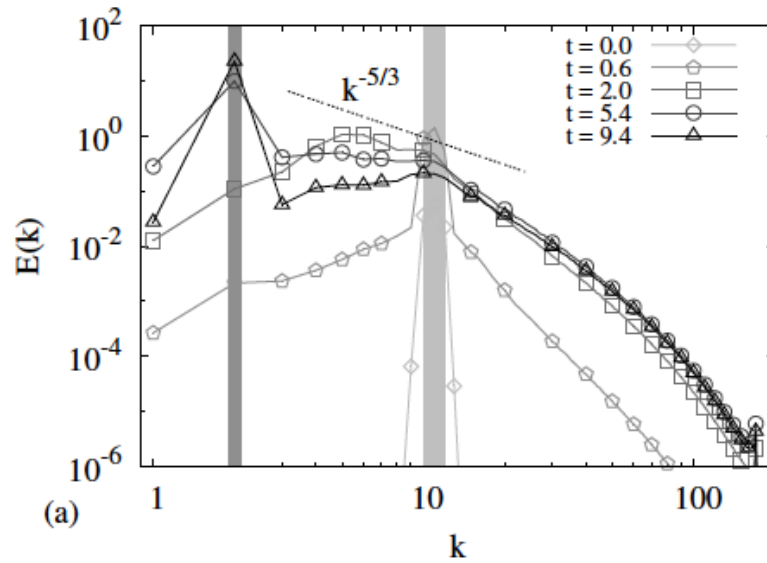
$$\partial_t b_{\mathbf{p}}^{\sigma_p*} = \sigma_p p \left( g_{\sigma_q \sigma_k}^{\sigma_p} b_{\mathbf{q}}^{\sigma_q} u_{\mathbf{k}}^{s_k} - g_{s_q s_k}^{\sigma_p} u_{\mathbf{q}}^{s_q} b_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma_k} \right)$$

$$\partial_t b_{\mathbf{q}}^{\sigma_q*} = \sigma_q q \left( g_{\sigma_k \sigma_p}^{\sigma_q} b_{\mathbf{k}}^{\sigma_k} u_{\mathbf{p}}^{s_p} - g_{s_k s_p}^{\sigma_q} u_{\mathbf{k}}^{s_k} b_{\mathbf{p}}^{\sigma_p} \right)$$



# TRIAD-BY-TRIAID BACKWARD -> HELICAL CONDENSATE ON THE MINORITY MODES

$$u'(x) \equiv \mathcal{D}_m u(x) \equiv \sum_k e^{ikx} [(1 - \gamma_k) + \gamma_k \mathcal{P}_k^+] \hat{u}_k,$$



# Helicity and singular structures in fluid dynamics

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Helicity is, like energy, a quadratic invariant of the Euler equations of ideal fluid flow, although, unlike energy, it is not sign definite. In physical terms, it represents the degree of linkage of the vortex lines of a flow, conserved when conditions are such that these vortex lines are frozen in the fluid. Some basic properties of helicity are reviewed, with particular reference to (i) its crucial role in the dynamo excitation of magnetic fields in cosmic systems; (ii) its bearing on the existence of Euler flows of arbitrarily complex streamline topology; (iii) the constraining role of the analogous magnetic helicity in the determination of stable knotted minimum-energy magnetostatic structures; and (iv) its role in depleting nonlinearity in the Navier-Stokes equations, with implications for the coherent structures and energy cascade of turbulence. In a final section, some singular phenomena in low Reynolds number flows are briefly described.

