

Mean Flow Scaling for Boundary Layers with Arbitrary Pressure Gradients

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Fluid dynamics research often grapples with the complexities introduced by pressure gradients within boundary layers. The canonical law of the wall (LoW) is insufficient for accurately describing flow behavior under these conditions due to the spatiotemporal effects of pressure gradients. This talk discusses some of our recent efforts in addressing this challenge. We will delve deep into the development of a universal mean flow scaling for boundary layers affected by pressure gradients. By deriving a velocity transformation from the Navier-Stokes equations that accounts for historical effects, we demonstrate that transformed velocity profiles align closely with the LoW, even in strong gradient conditions. The universality of the proposed scaling is tested against a range of flow configurations, including channels subjected to sudden pressure changes and Couette-Poiseuille flows. Subsequently, we use the velocity transformation for near-wall turbulence modeling. Our treatment includes an additional transport equation that tracks the Lagrangian integration of the total shear stress. The resulting model shows a marked improvement over conventional models in the presence of strong pressure gradients.

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