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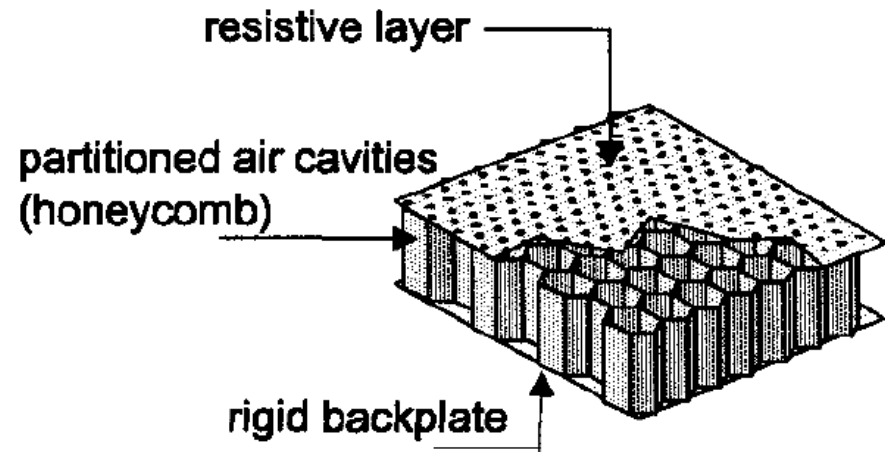
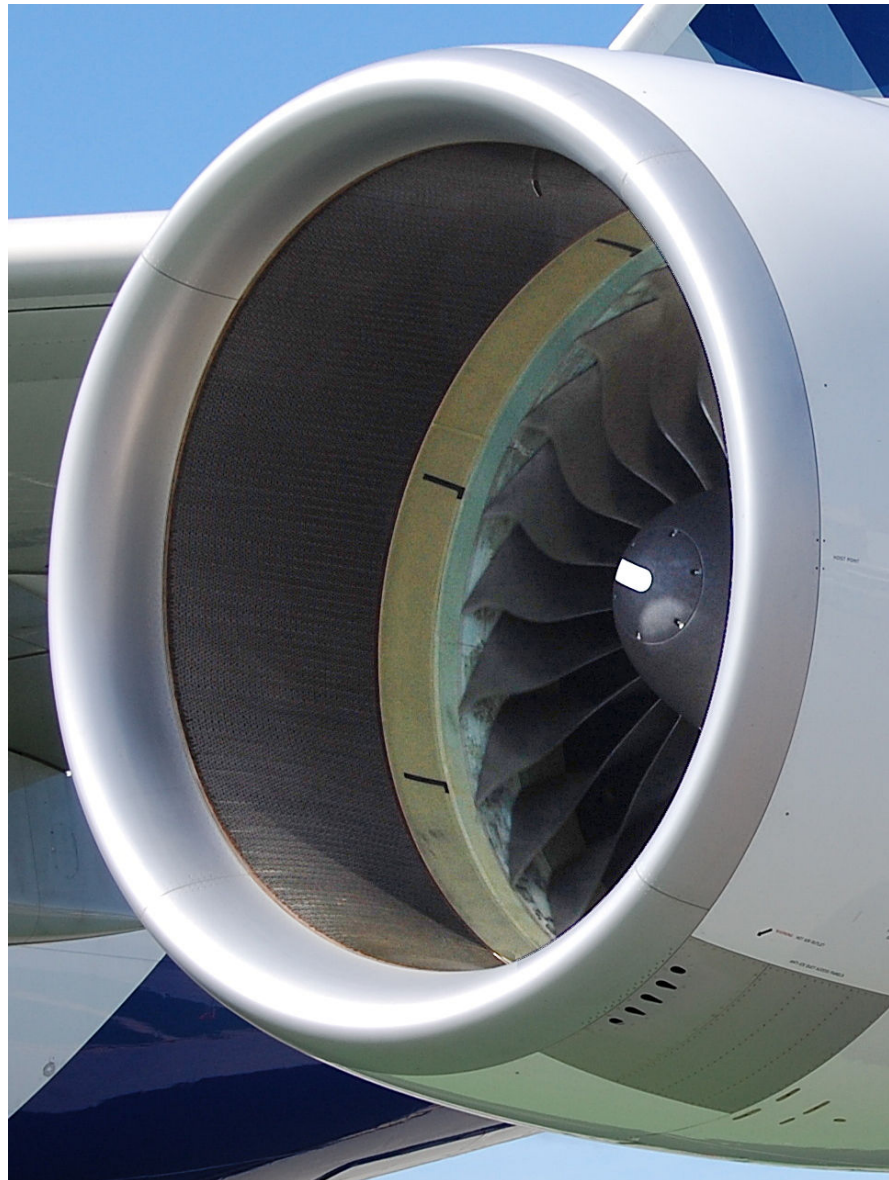
Computational and mathematical modelling of acoustic liners in aircraft engines

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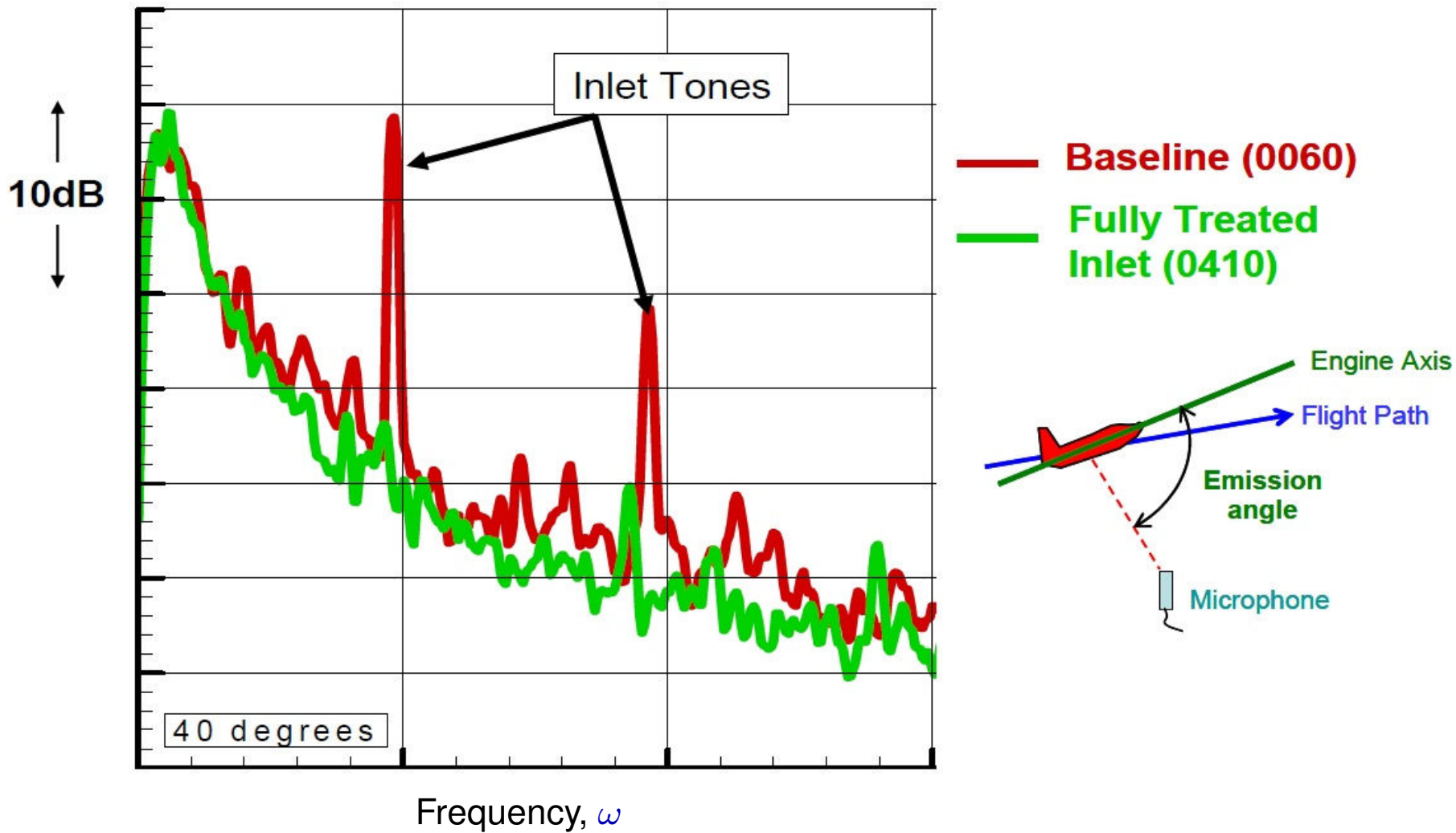
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Aeroengine noise sources

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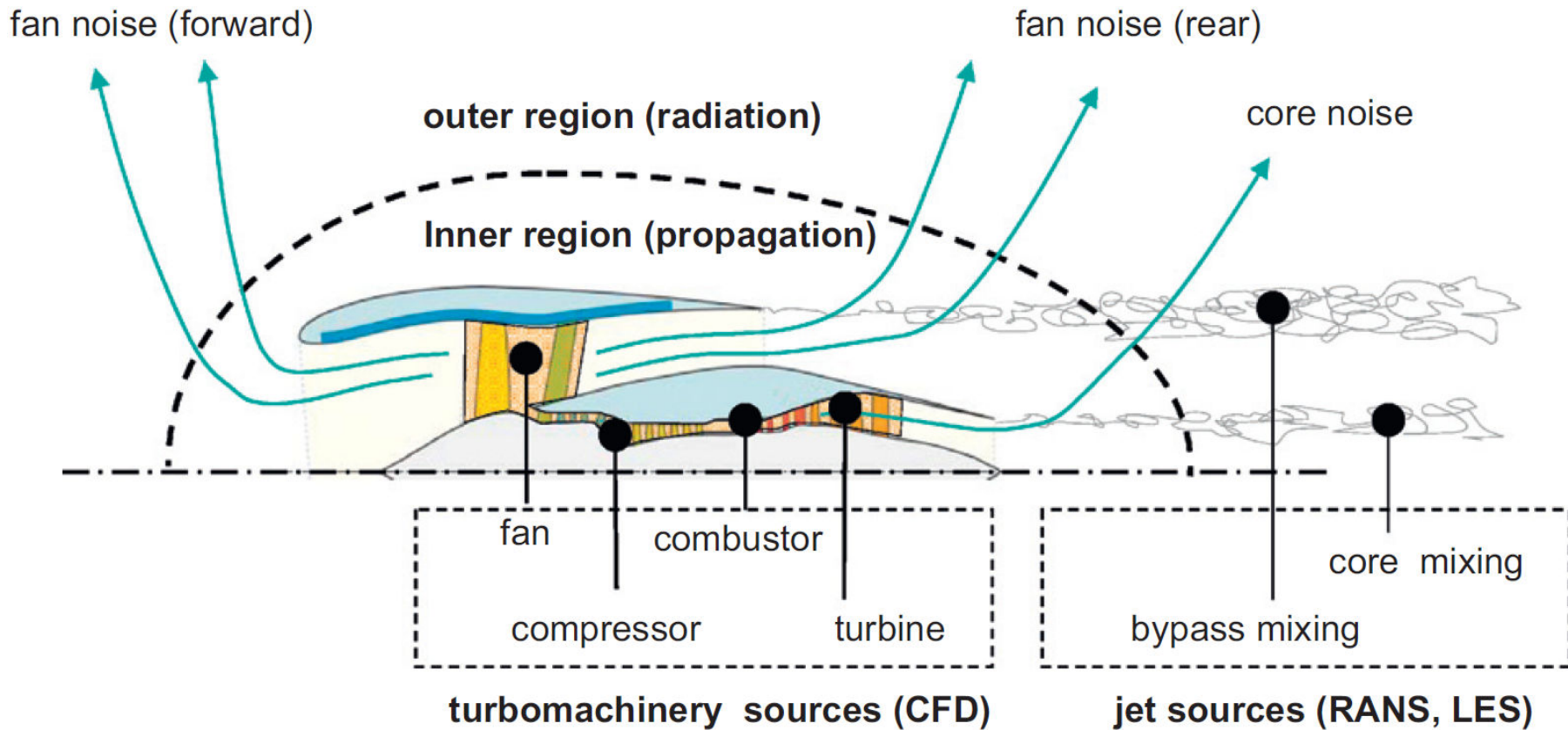
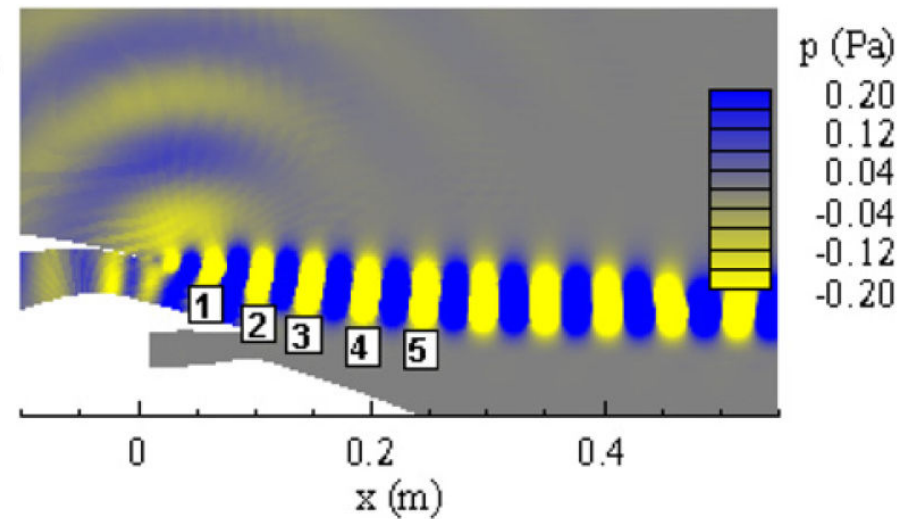
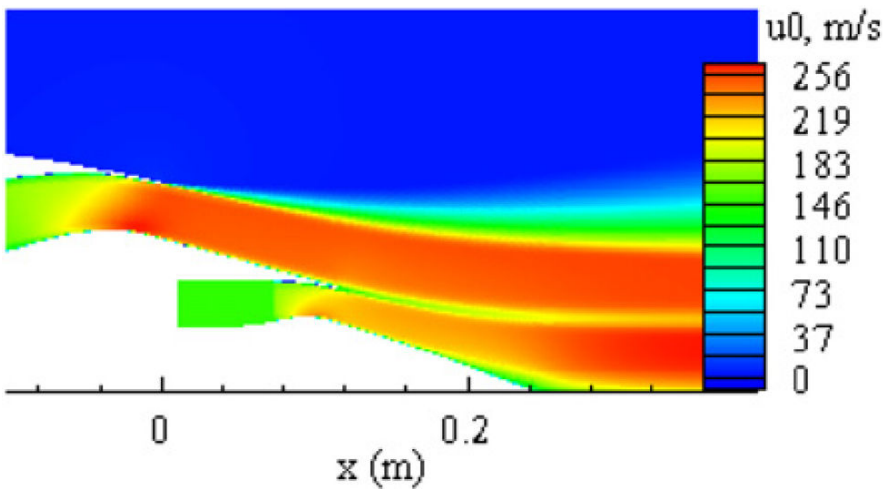
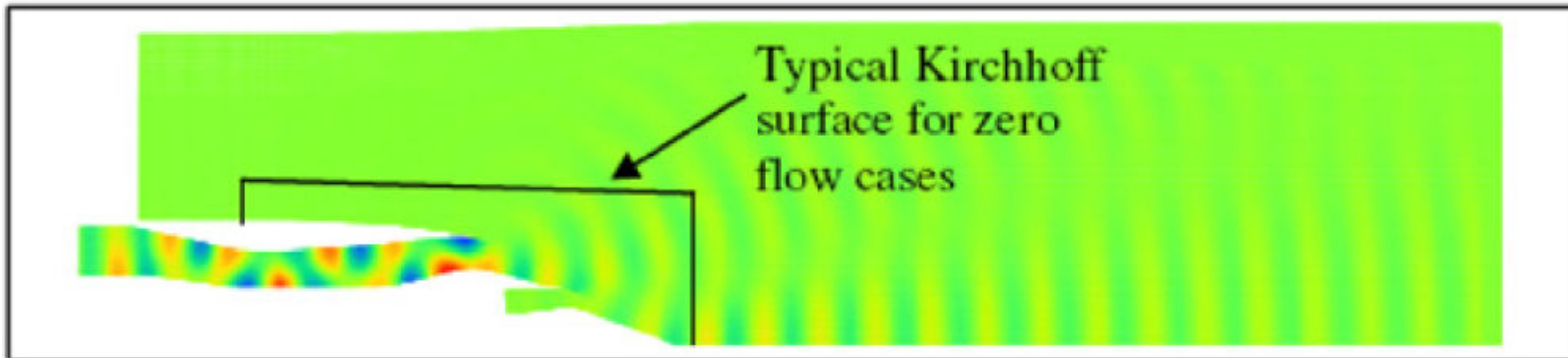


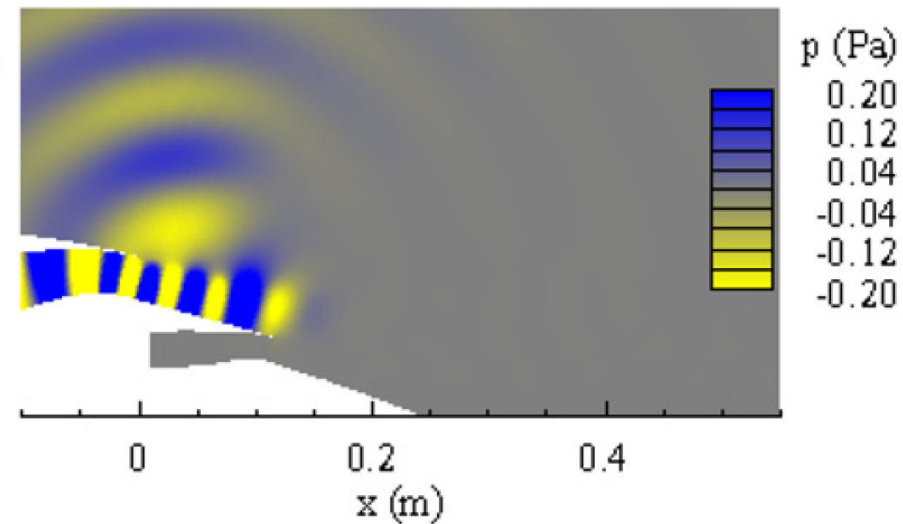
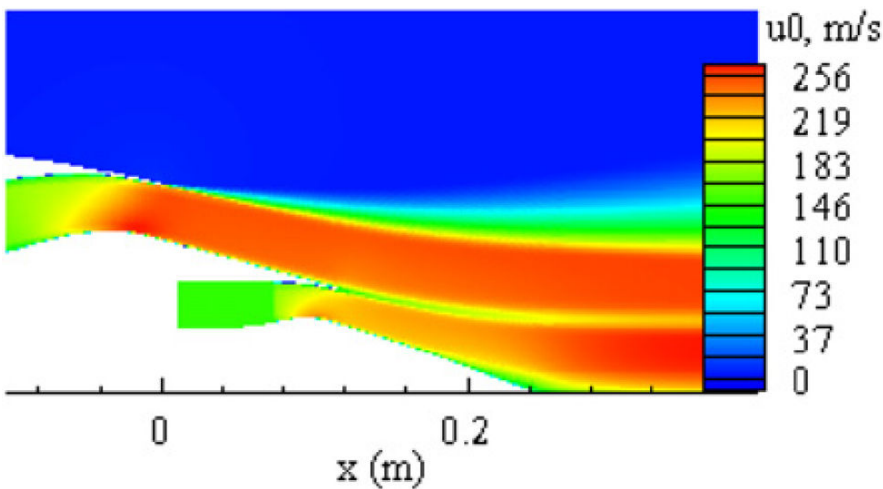
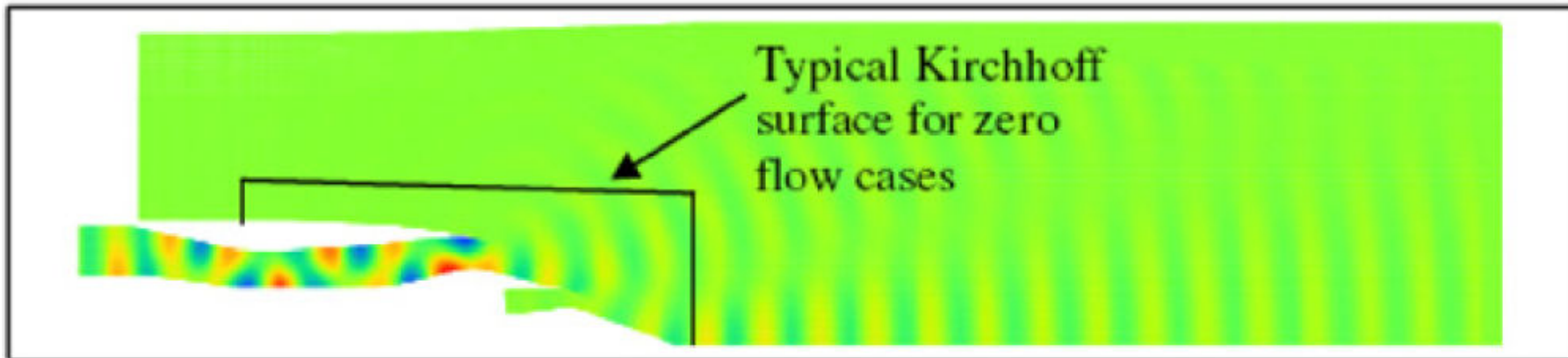
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Computational AeroAcoustics (CAA)



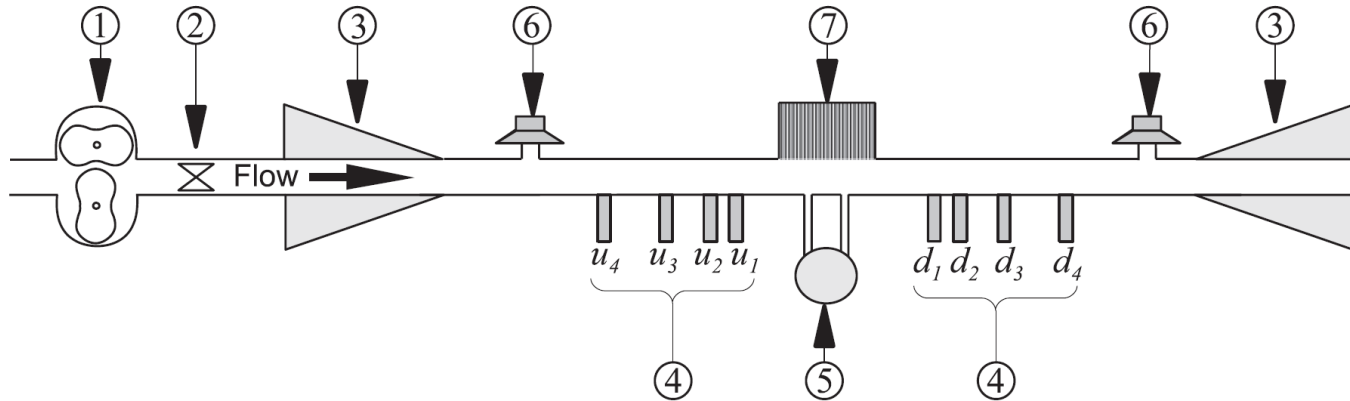
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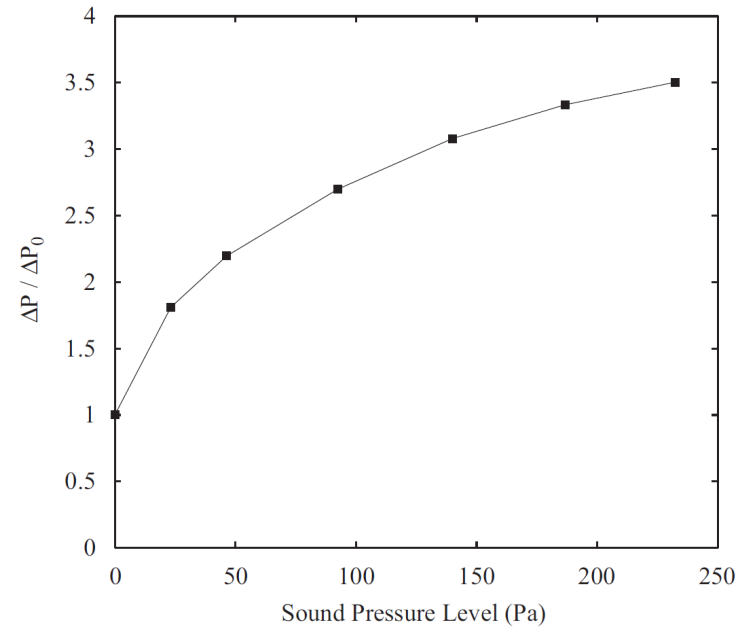
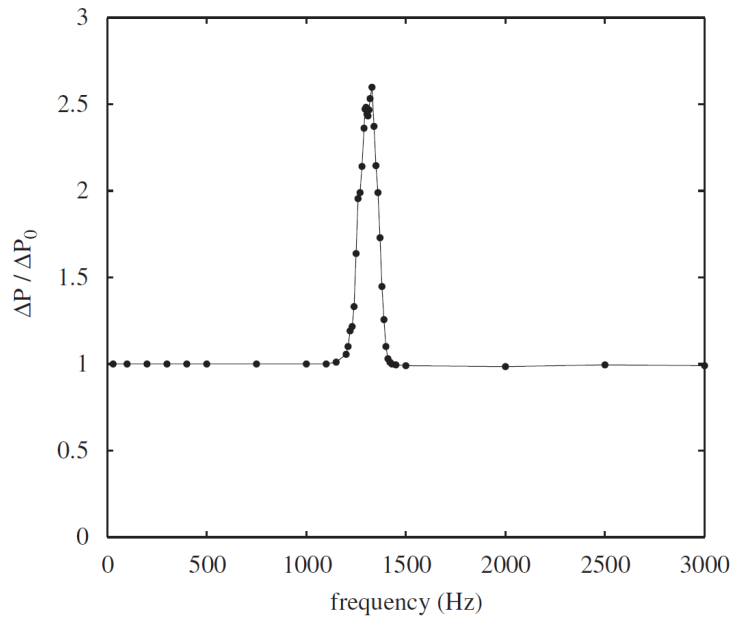


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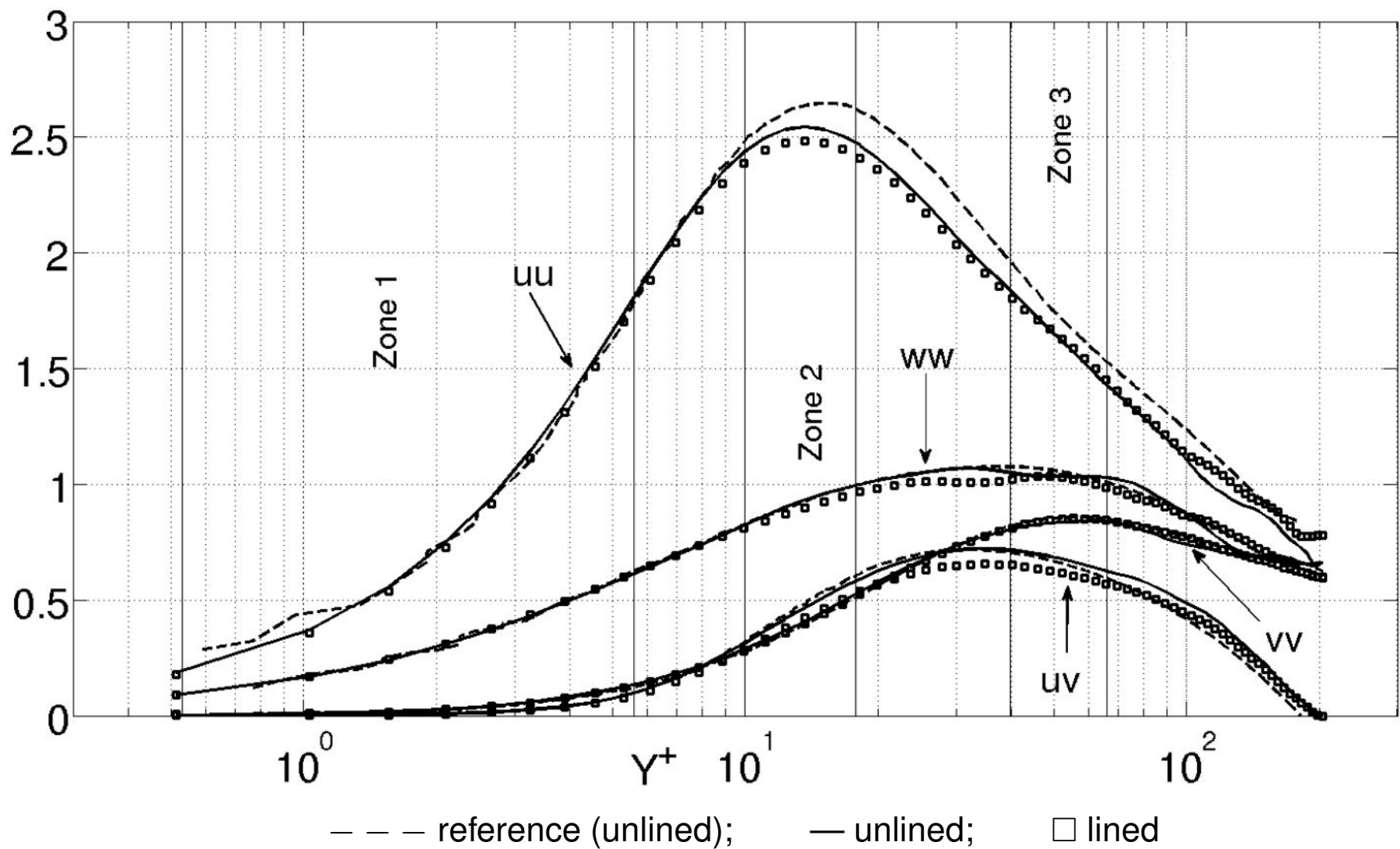


1: compressor, 2: flowmeter, 3: anechoic terminations, 4: microphones, 5: static pressure measurement, 6: acoustical source, 7: lined wall.



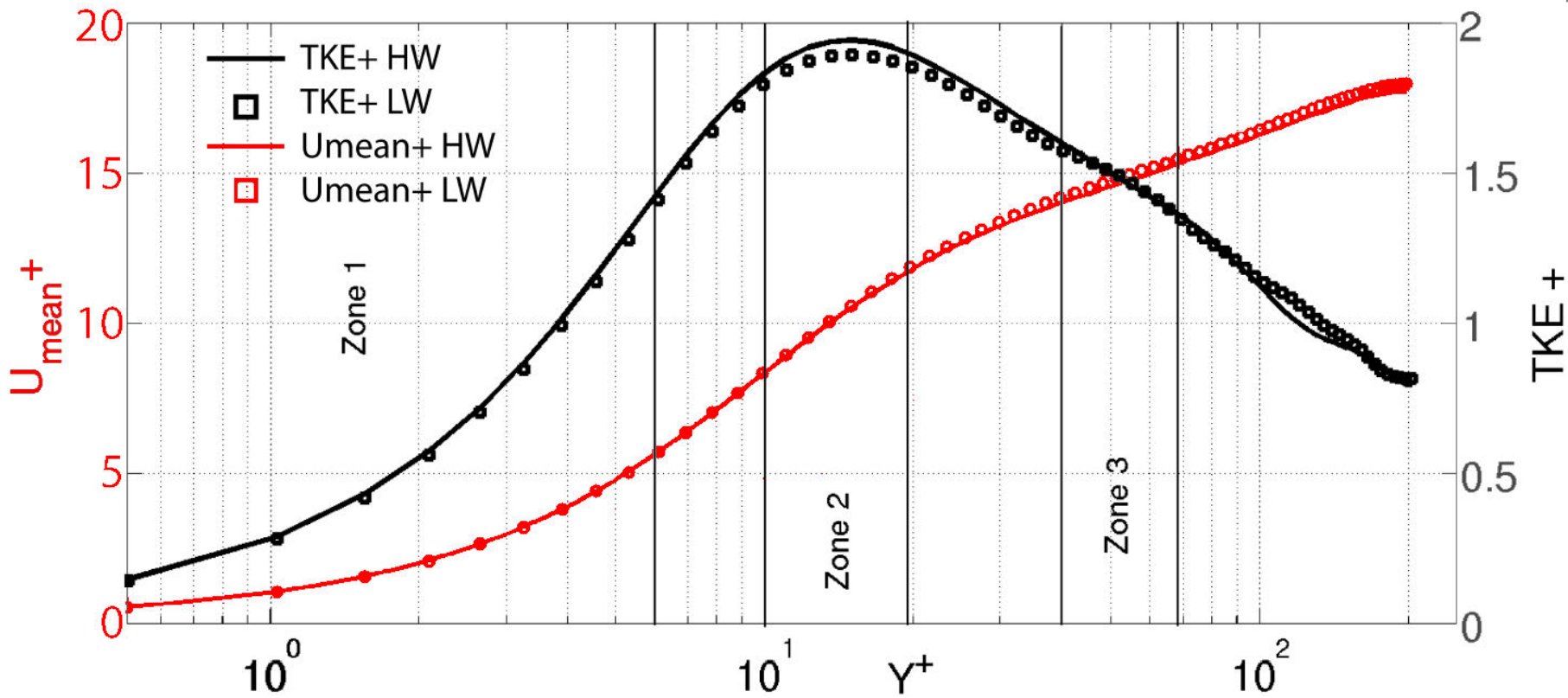
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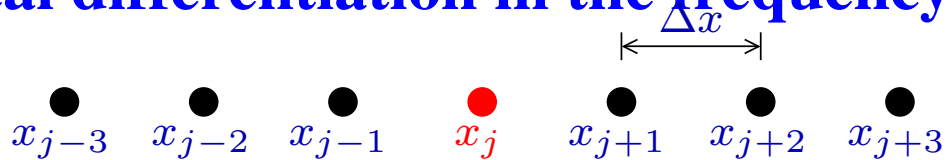
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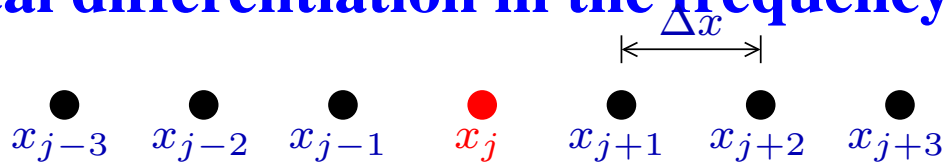
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Computational AeroAcoustics (CAA)

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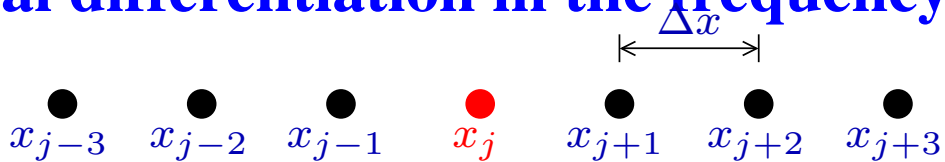
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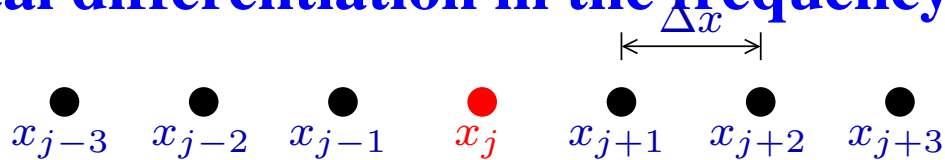


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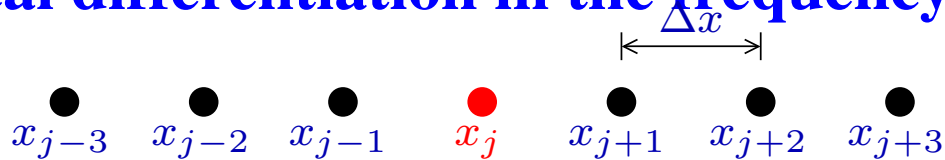
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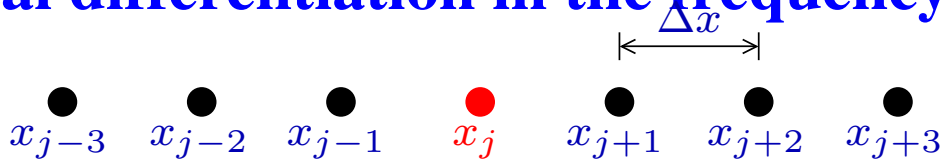
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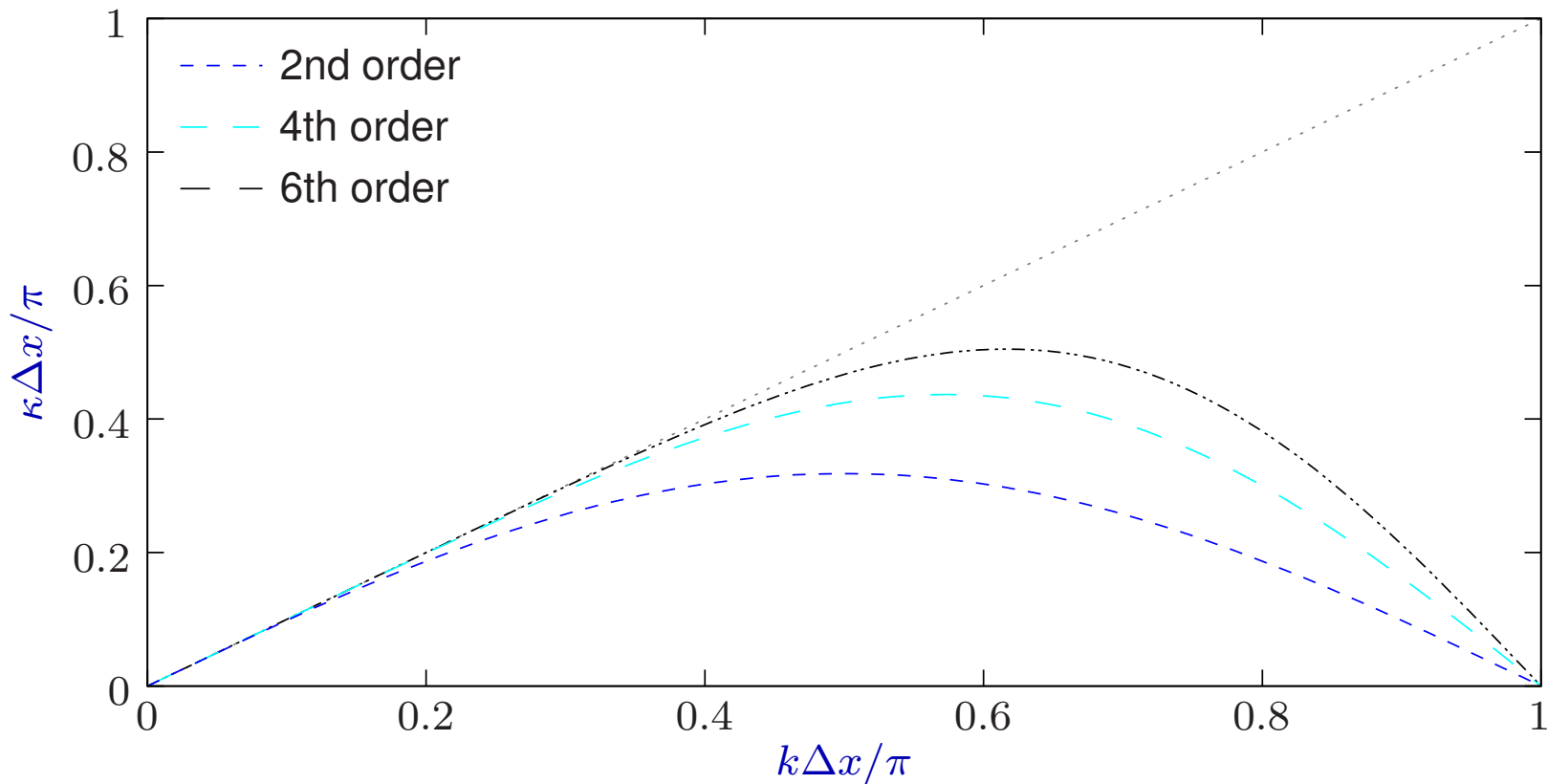
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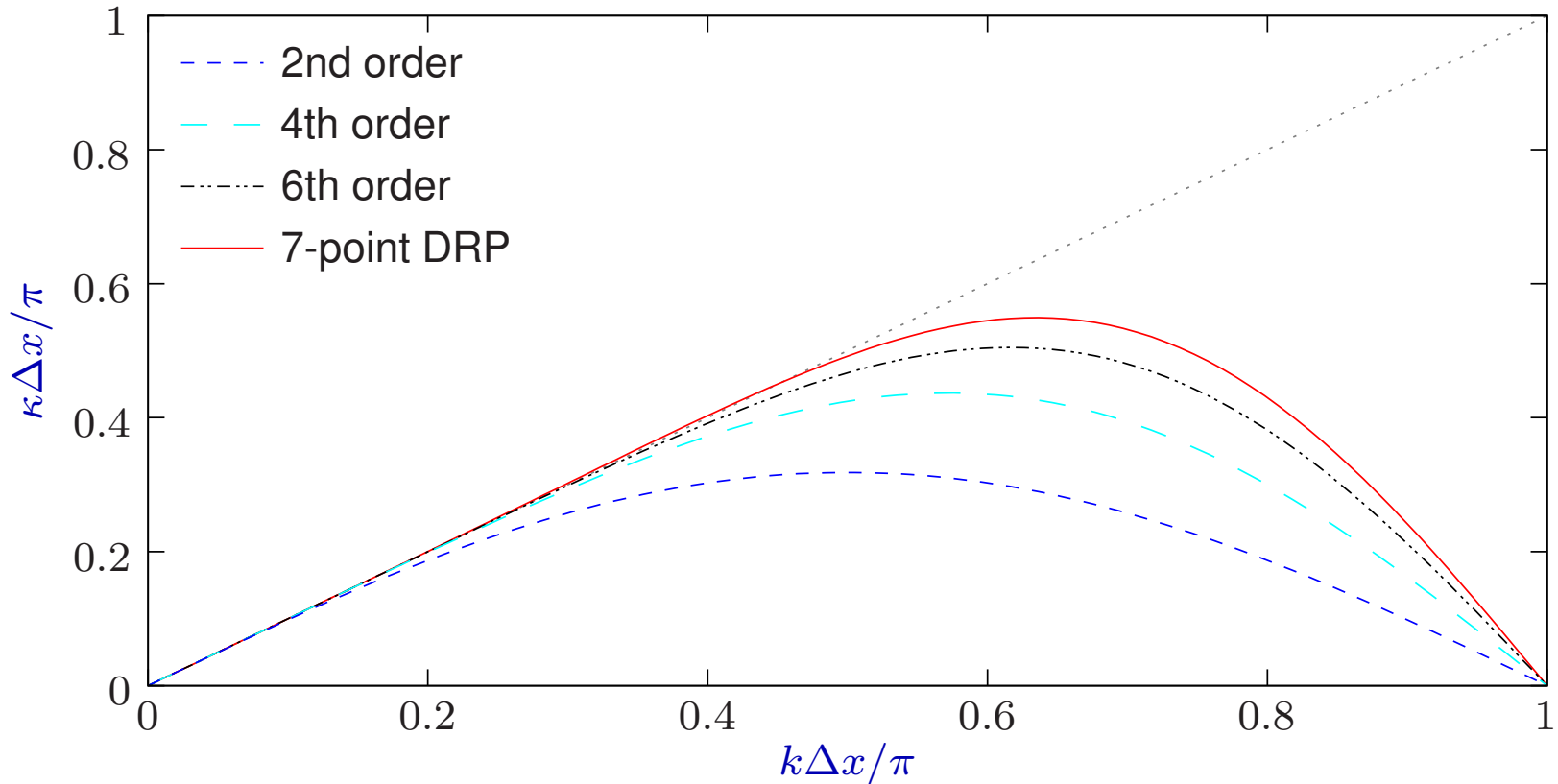
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- Tam & Webb (1993, JCP) used $N = 3$ but only $O((\Delta x)^4)$ accuracy. Remaining degree of freedom optimized to get a “Dispersion Relation Preserving” scheme.

DRP scheme optimization

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● Tam & Webb (1993, JCP) took $N = 3$, required $O((\Delta x)^4)$ accuracy, and optimized

$$\int_0^\pi (\kappa \Delta x - k \Delta x)^2 d(k \Delta x)$$

● Others have:

● reoptimized for $N > 3$

● optimized over other intervals than $[0, \pi]$

● optimized $\left| \frac{\kappa \Delta x}{k \Delta x} - 1 \right|$

● added weighting functions

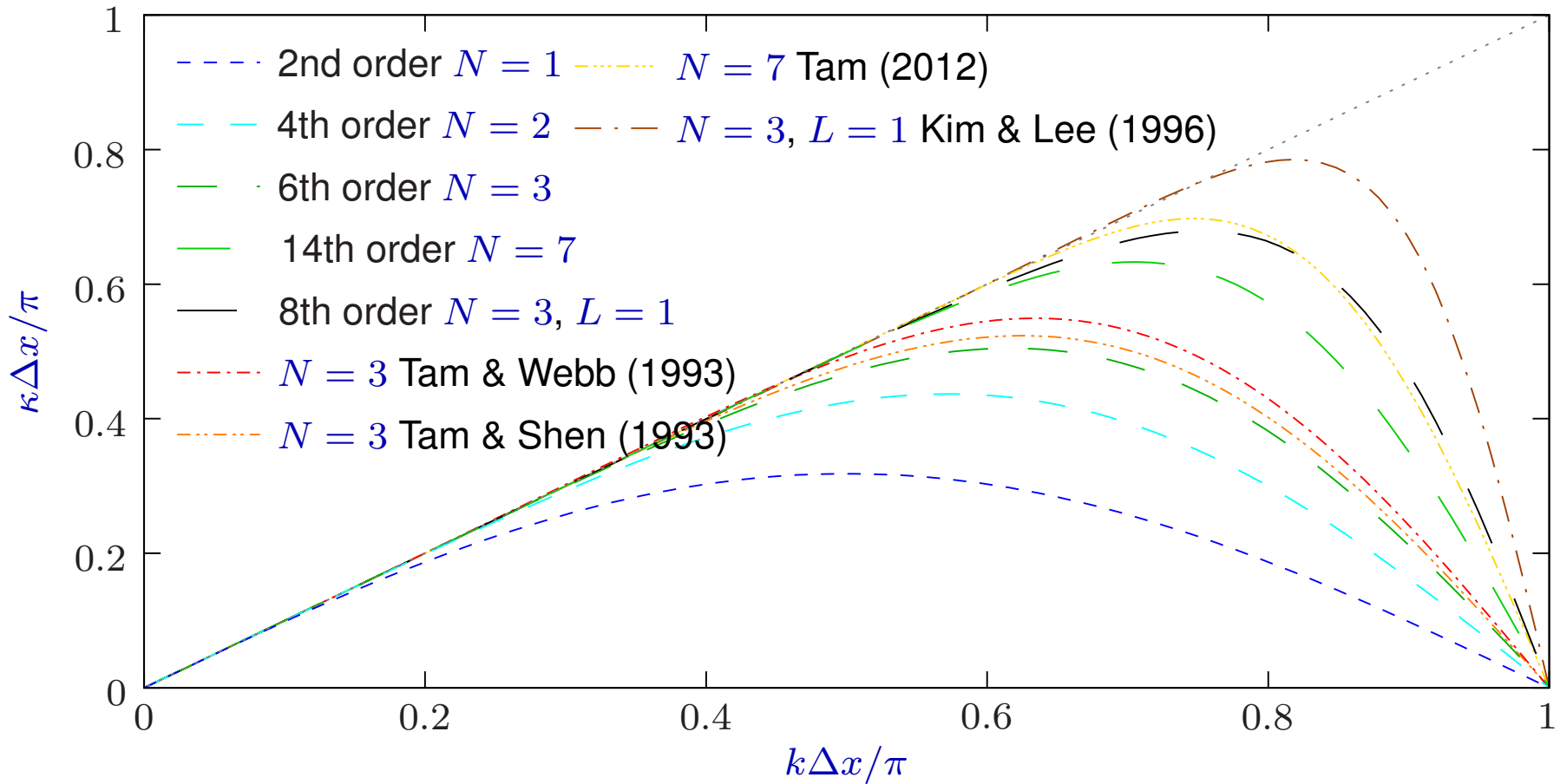
● optimized $\|\kappa \Delta x - k \Delta x\|_\infty$

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● Can also consider *implicit* or *compact* schemes:

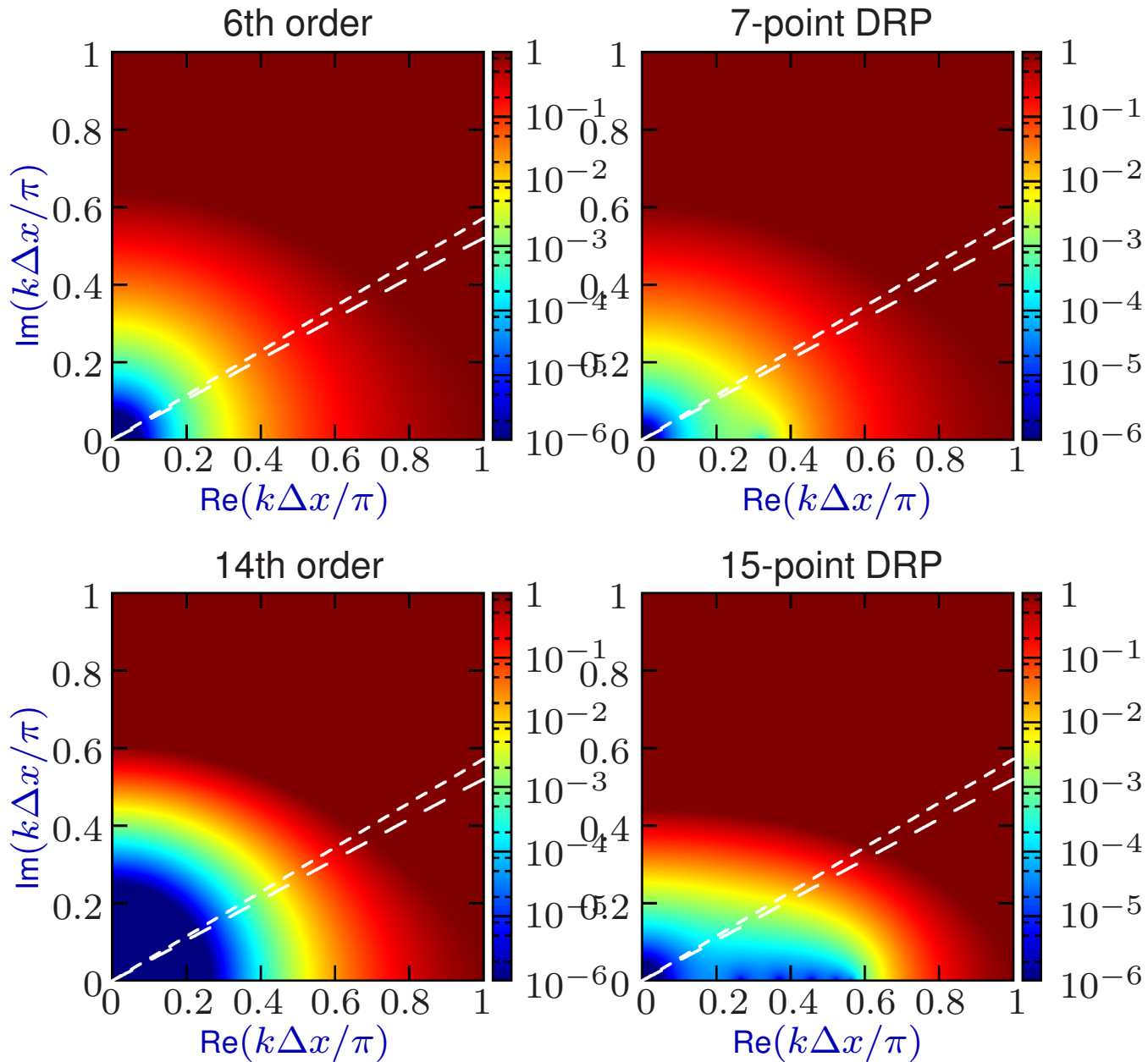
$$f'_j + \sum_{q=1}^L \beta_q (f'_{j+q} + f'_{j-q}) = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \sum_{n=1}^N d_n (f_{j+n} - f_{j-n}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \kappa \Delta x = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N 2d_n \sin(nk\Delta x)}{1 + \sum_{q=1}^L 2\beta_q \cos(qk\Delta x)}$$

DRP schemes



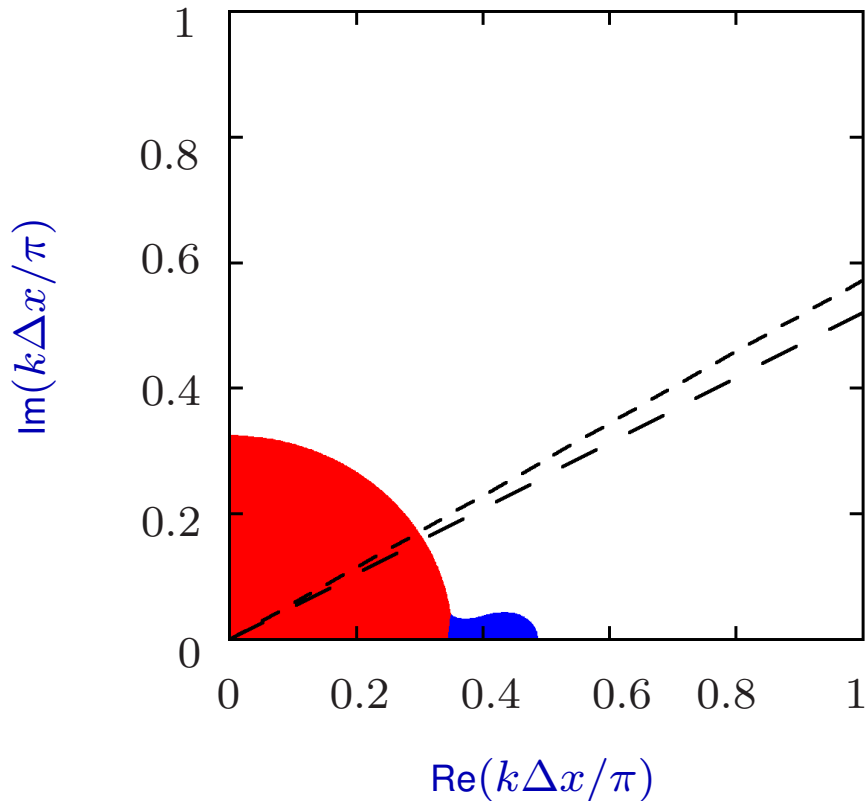
● But k is always real ...

Accuracy of derivatives for complex k

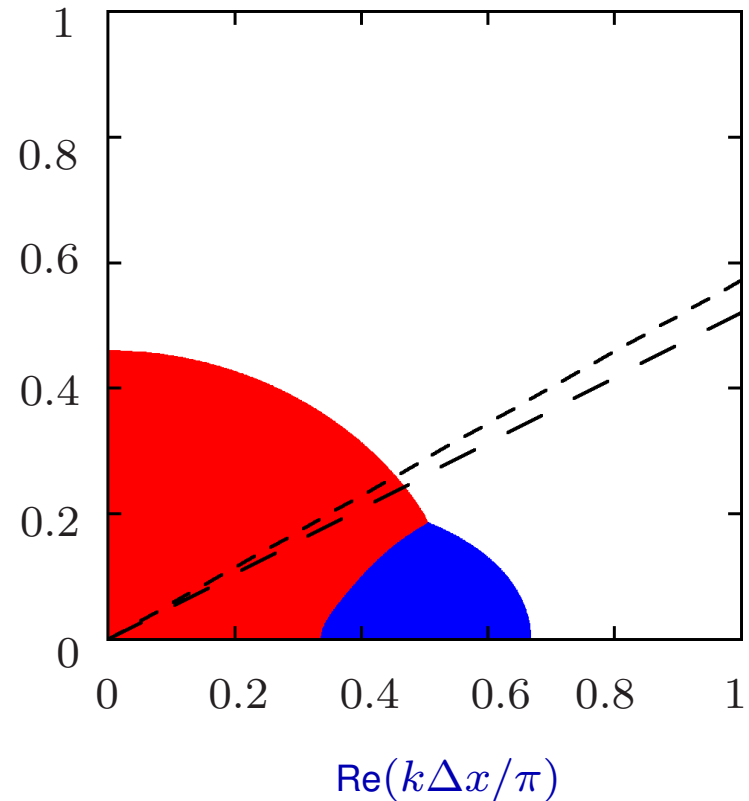



Accuracy of derivatives for complex k

6th order vs DRP



14th order vs DRP



 Red: maximum order is most accurate.

 Blue: DRP is most accurate.

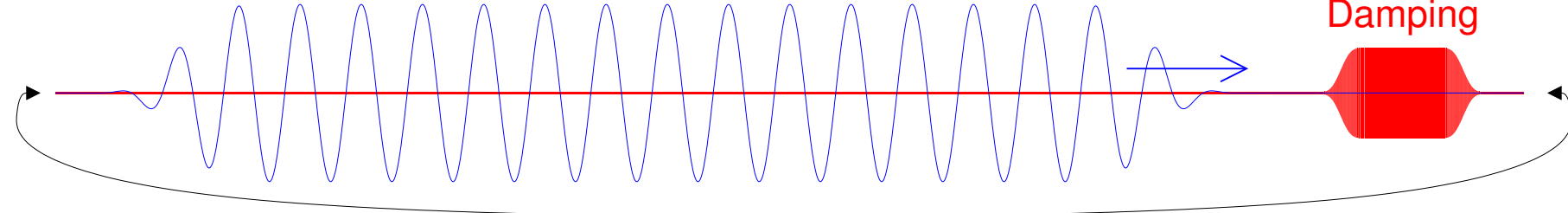
 White: Neither gives $\left| \frac{\kappa\Delta x}{k\Delta x} - 1 \right| < 10^{-2}$.

 For details, see Brambley (AIAA Paper 2015–2540).

1D damped wave example

Initial Wave

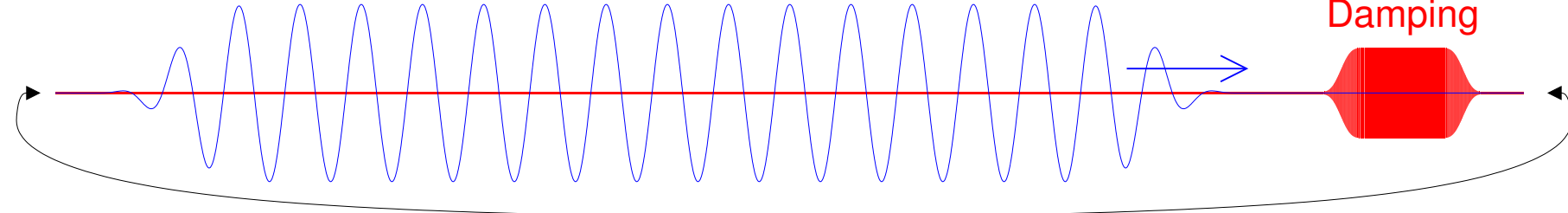
Damping



1D damped wave example

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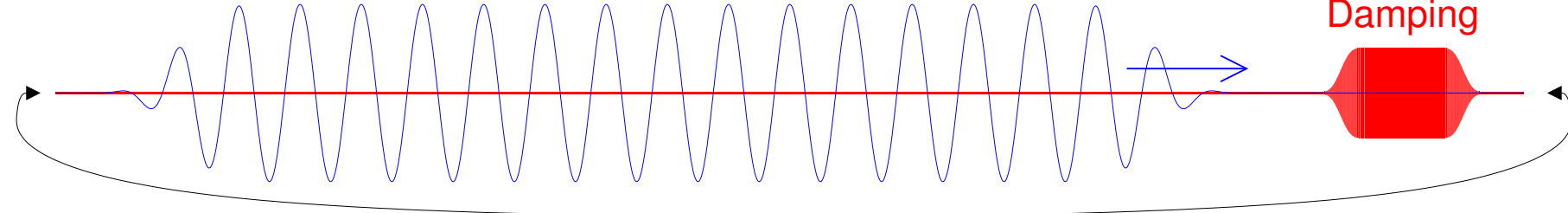
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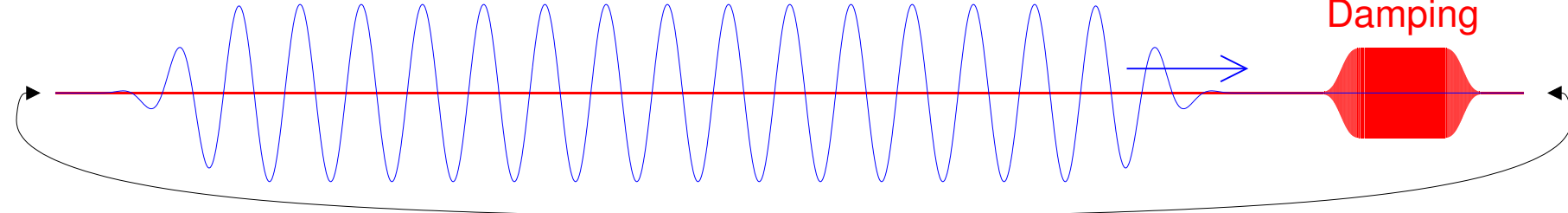
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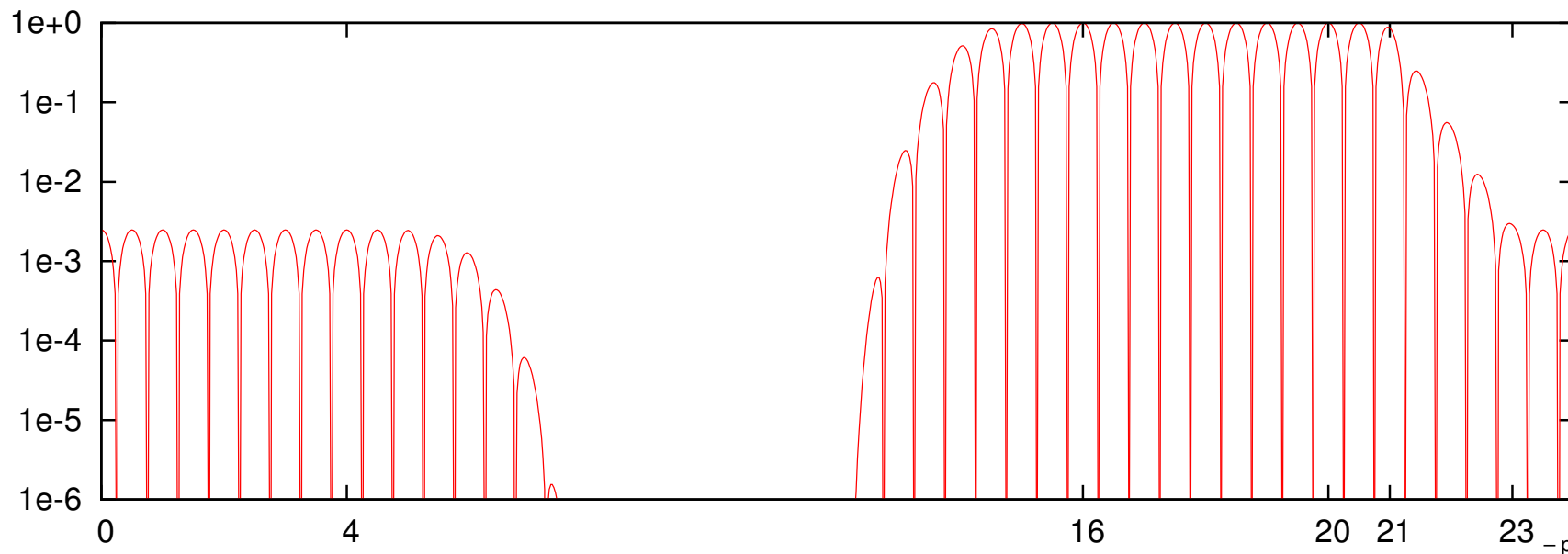
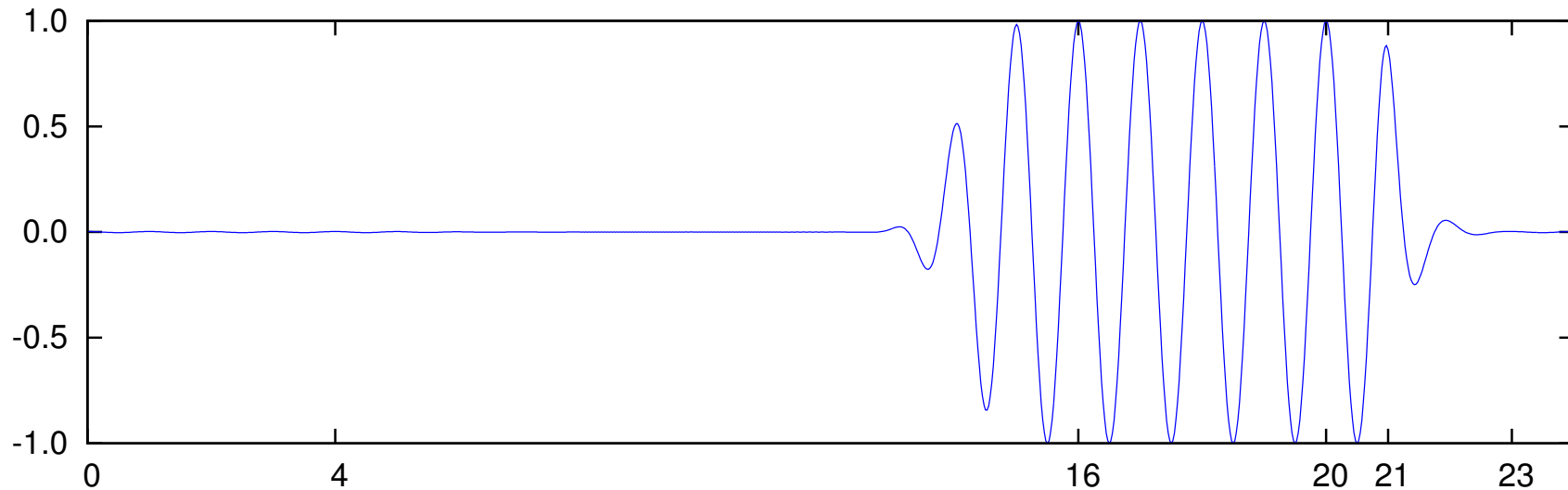
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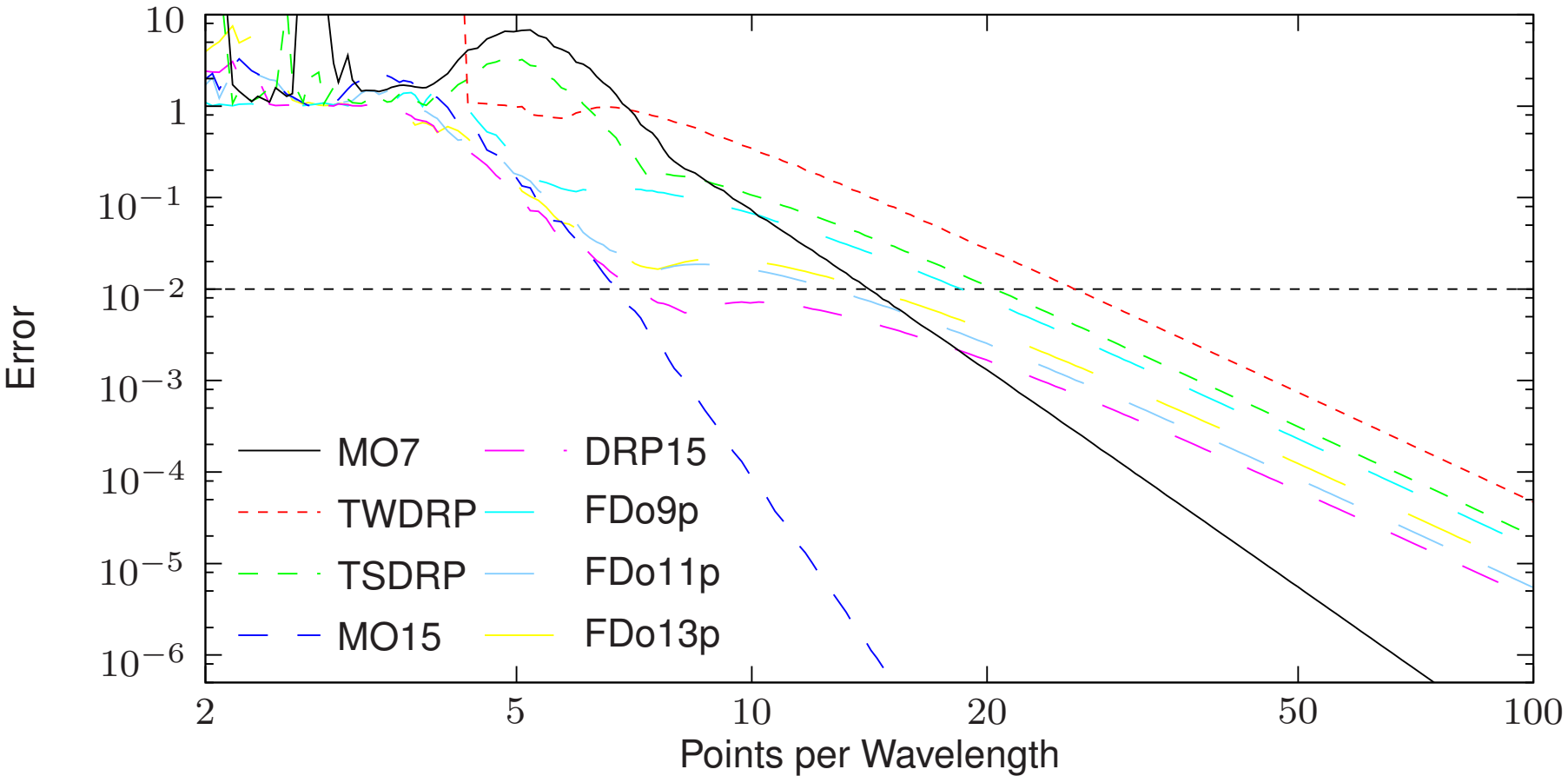
$$\left| p(x, L) \exp \left\{ \int_0^L k_p(X) dx \right\} - p(x, 0) \right| = \text{Error} = 0.$$

1D damped wave example movie

t = 12.0



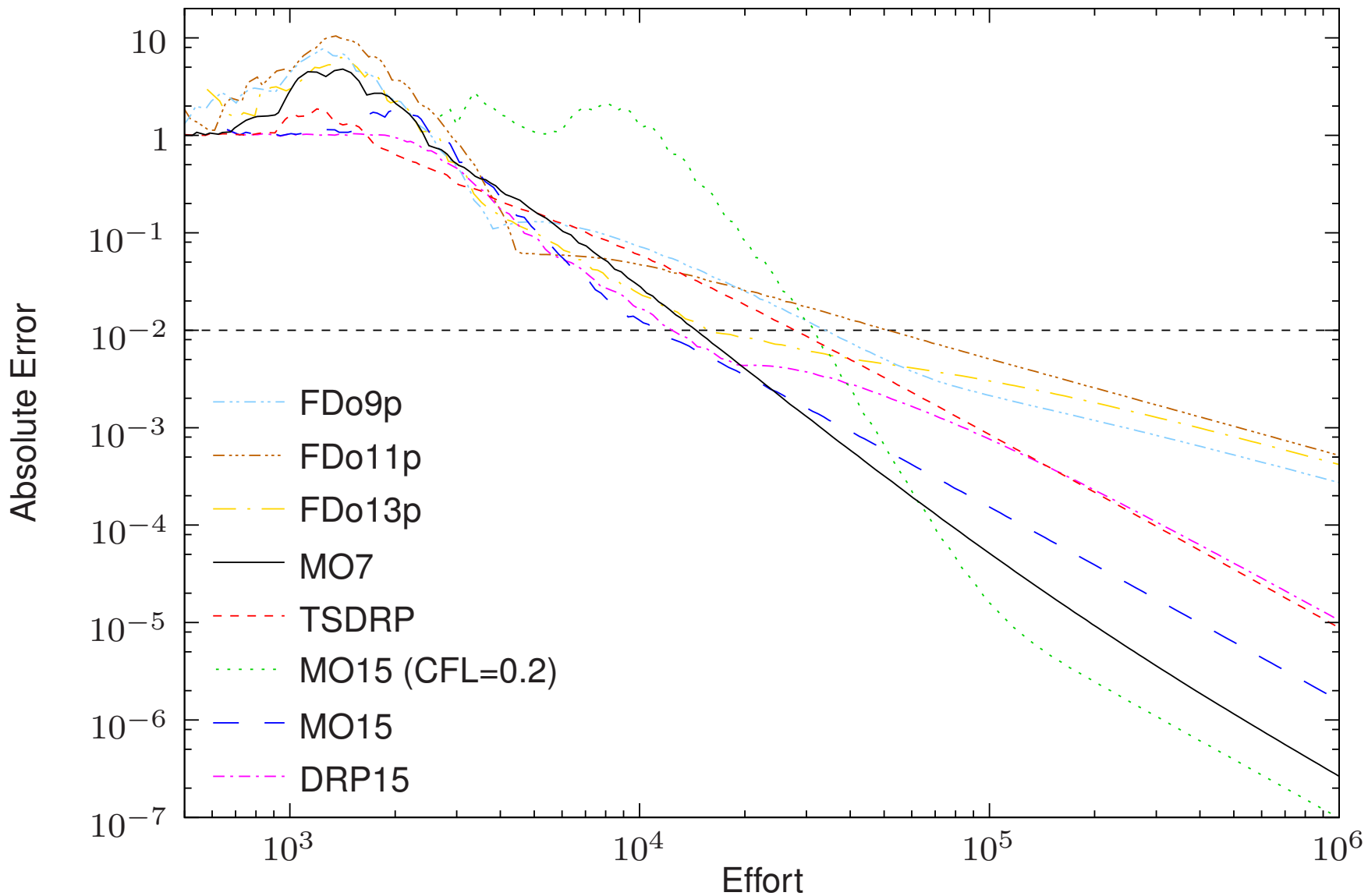
Numerical errors for 1D damped wave example



Parameters taken from Tam, Ju & Chien (2008) as realistic for an aircraft engine intake (1% accuracy is needed to resolve scattered waves that dominate in the far field).

See Brambley (JCP 2016) for details.

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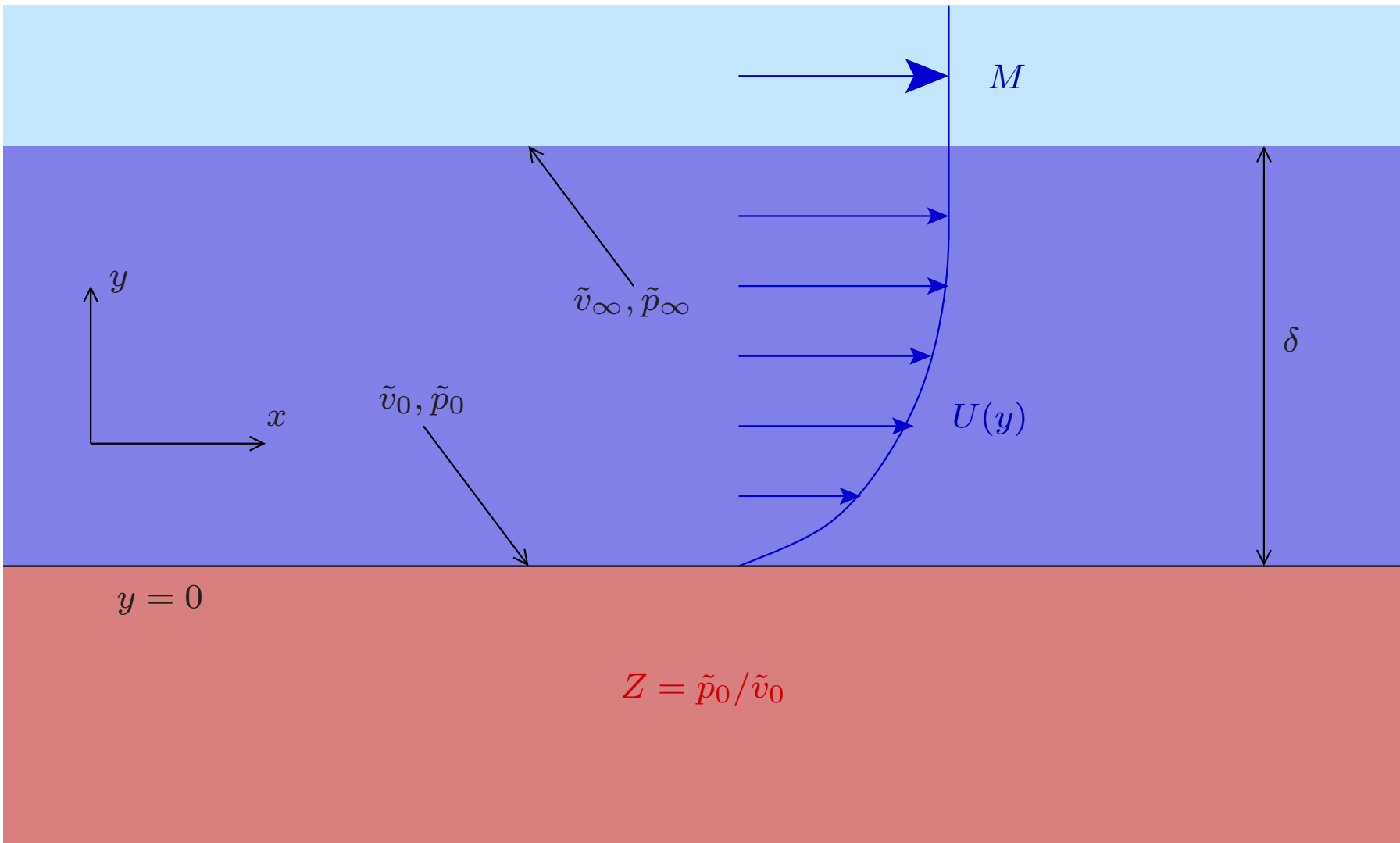
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Current research

- Can we do any better (reoptimize)?
- What about filtering?
- What about time-stepping?
- What about combined derivative/filtering/time-stepping?

Modelling Flow Instability over Acoustic Linings

Flow over an impedance surface



Viscous compressible acoustics in a cylinder

● Governing equations:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

$$\rho \frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

$$\sigma_{ij} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) + \left(\mu^B - \frac{2}{3}\mu \right) \delta_{ij} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

$$\rho \frac{DT}{Dt} = \frac{Dp}{Dt} + \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \nabla \cdot (\kappa \nabla T)$$

$$T = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \frac{p}{\rho}$$

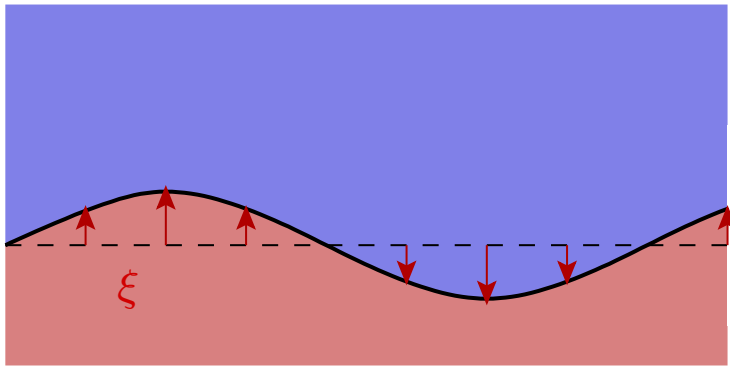
μ, μ^B, κ linear in T and independent of p .

● Expand as a steady parallel baseflow plus an acoustic perturbation. E.g.

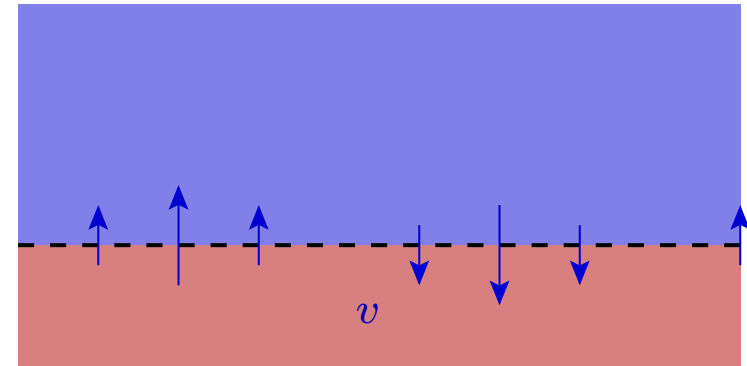
$$p(x, r, \theta, t) = p_0(r) + \tilde{p}(r) \exp\{i\omega t - ikx - im\theta\}$$

The impedance of a surface

Compliant



Permeable



- Suppose a boundary with velocity $v = \partial\xi/\partial t$ obeys

$$d\frac{\partial^2\xi}{\partial t^2} = -K\xi - R\frac{\partial\xi}{\partial t} + T\frac{\partial^2\xi}{\partial x^2} - B\frac{\partial^4\xi}{\partial x^4} + p.$$

- If $p = \tilde{p} \exp\{i\omega t - ikx\}$ and $v = \tilde{v} \exp\{i\omega t - ikx\}$,

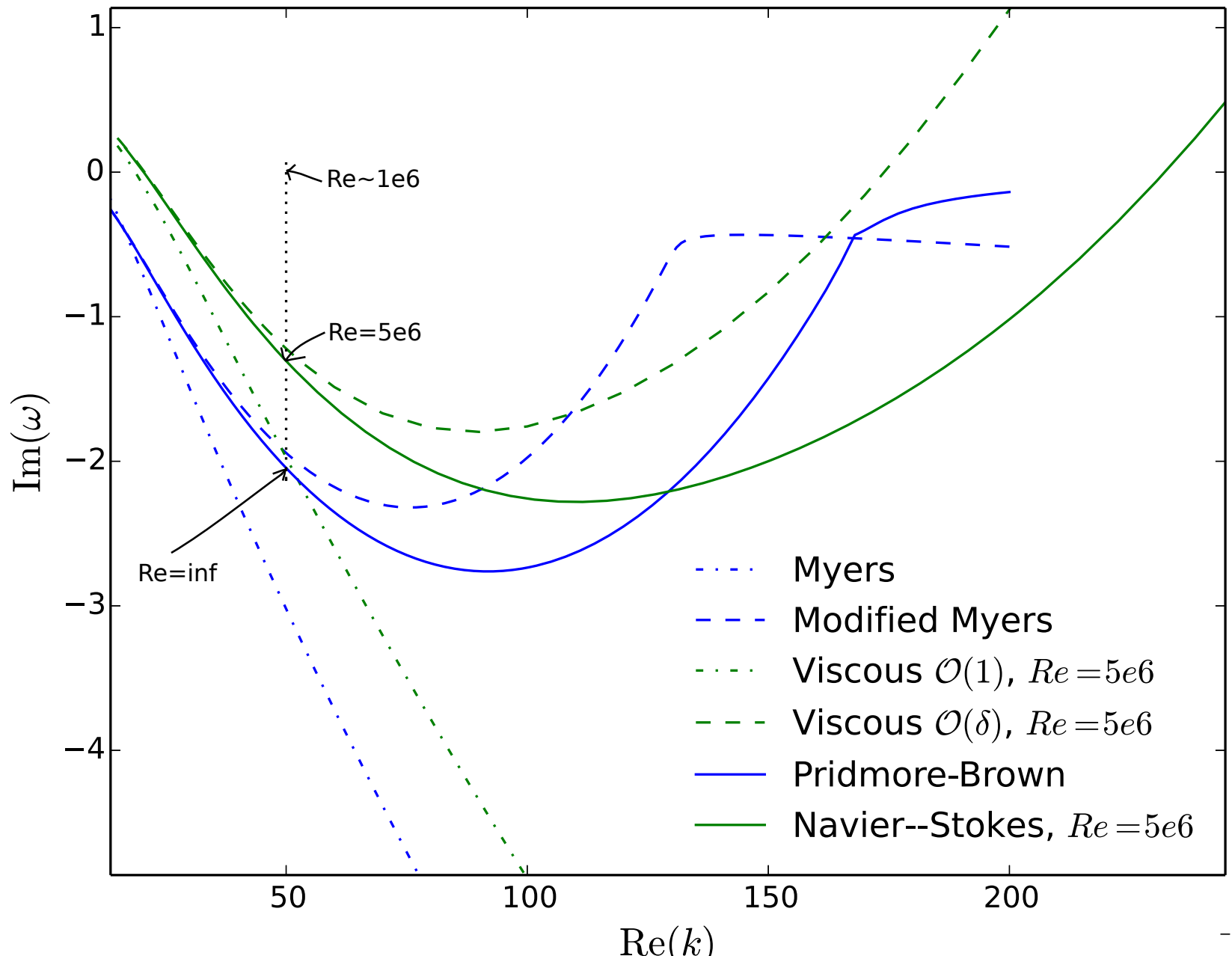
$$\frac{\tilde{p}}{\tilde{v}} = Z = R + i \left(d\omega - \frac{K}{\omega} - \frac{Tk^2}{\omega} - \frac{Bk^4}{\omega} \right)$$

- Setting **bending stiffness B** and **tension T** to zero gives a **mass–spring–damper** model.
 - No k dependence: “locally reacting”.

- For the Extended Helmholtz Resonator (EHR) model (Rienstra, 2006 AIAA Paper),

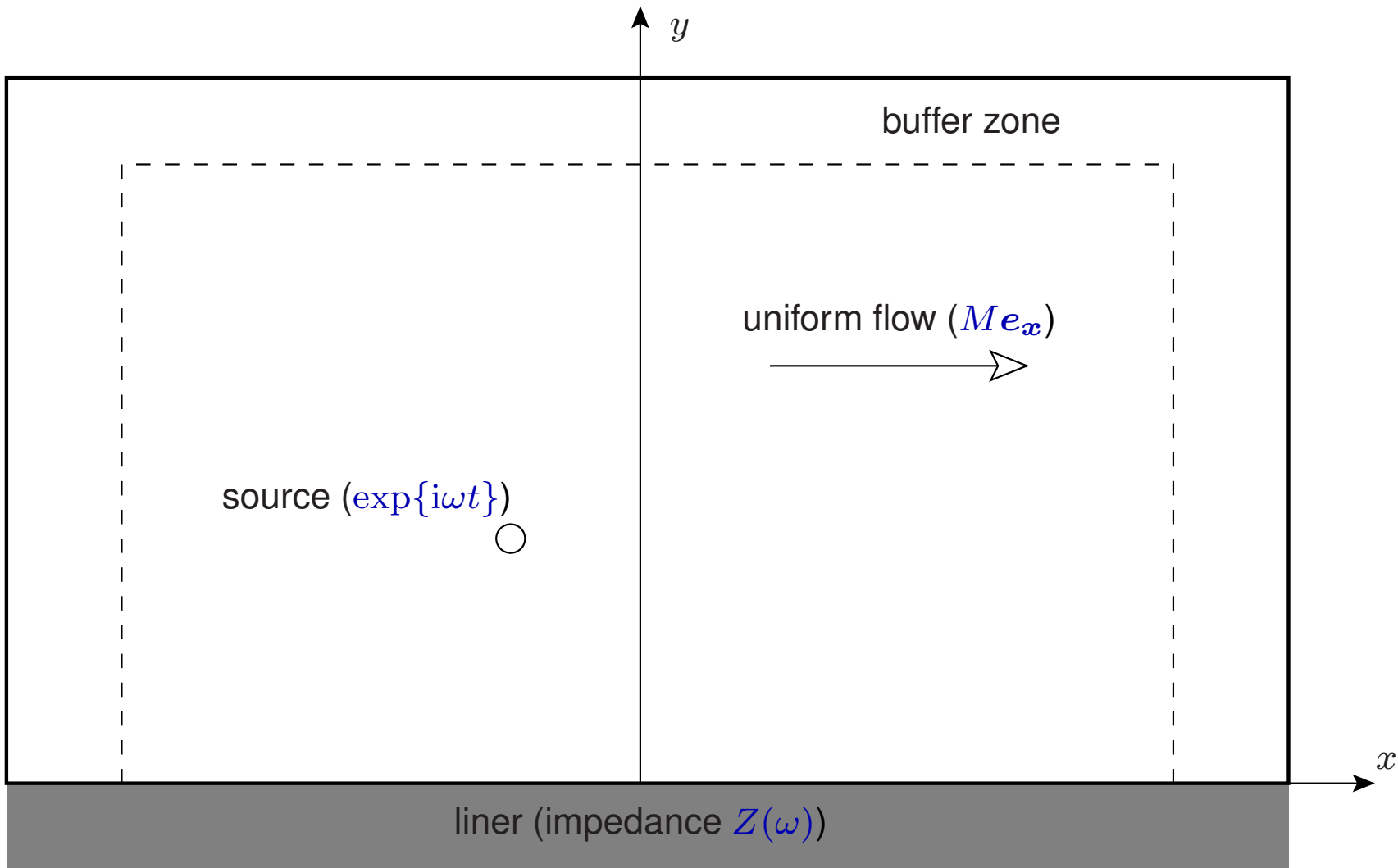
$$Z = R + id\omega - i\nu \cot(\omega L - i\varepsilon/2).$$

Initial value problem (given k , find ω)



Simulations of inviscid lining instability

2D test case



Analytic solution (Brambley & Gabard, 2014 JSV)

$$p = p_0 + p_{\text{dir}} + p_{\text{refl}}$$

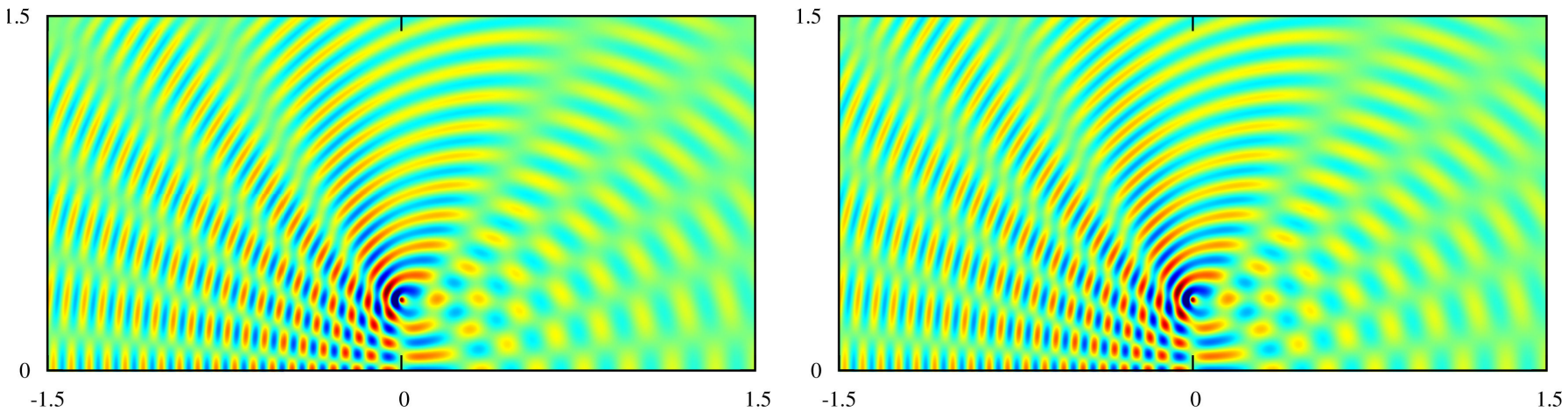
$$\begin{aligned} p_{\text{dir}}(x, y, t; y_s) &= e^{i\omega t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(\omega - Mk)}{4\pi\alpha} e^{-ikx - i\alpha|y - y_s|} dk, \\ &= \frac{\omega}{4\beta^3} \exp \left\{ i\omega \left(t + Mx/\beta^2 \right) \right\} \left[H_0^{(2)}(\omega r/\beta^2) + \frac{iMx}{r} H_1^{(2)}(\omega r/\beta^2) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$p_{\text{refl}}(x, y, t; y_s) = e^{i\omega t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha\omega Z - (\omega - Mk)^2}{\alpha\omega Z + (\omega - Mk)^2} \frac{(\omega - Mk)}{4\pi\alpha} e^{-ikx - i\alpha|y + y_s|} dk$$

Where

$$\beta^2 = 1 - M^2 \qquad r^2 = x^2 + \beta^2(y - y_s)^2.$$

Numerical vs Analytical: Hard wall



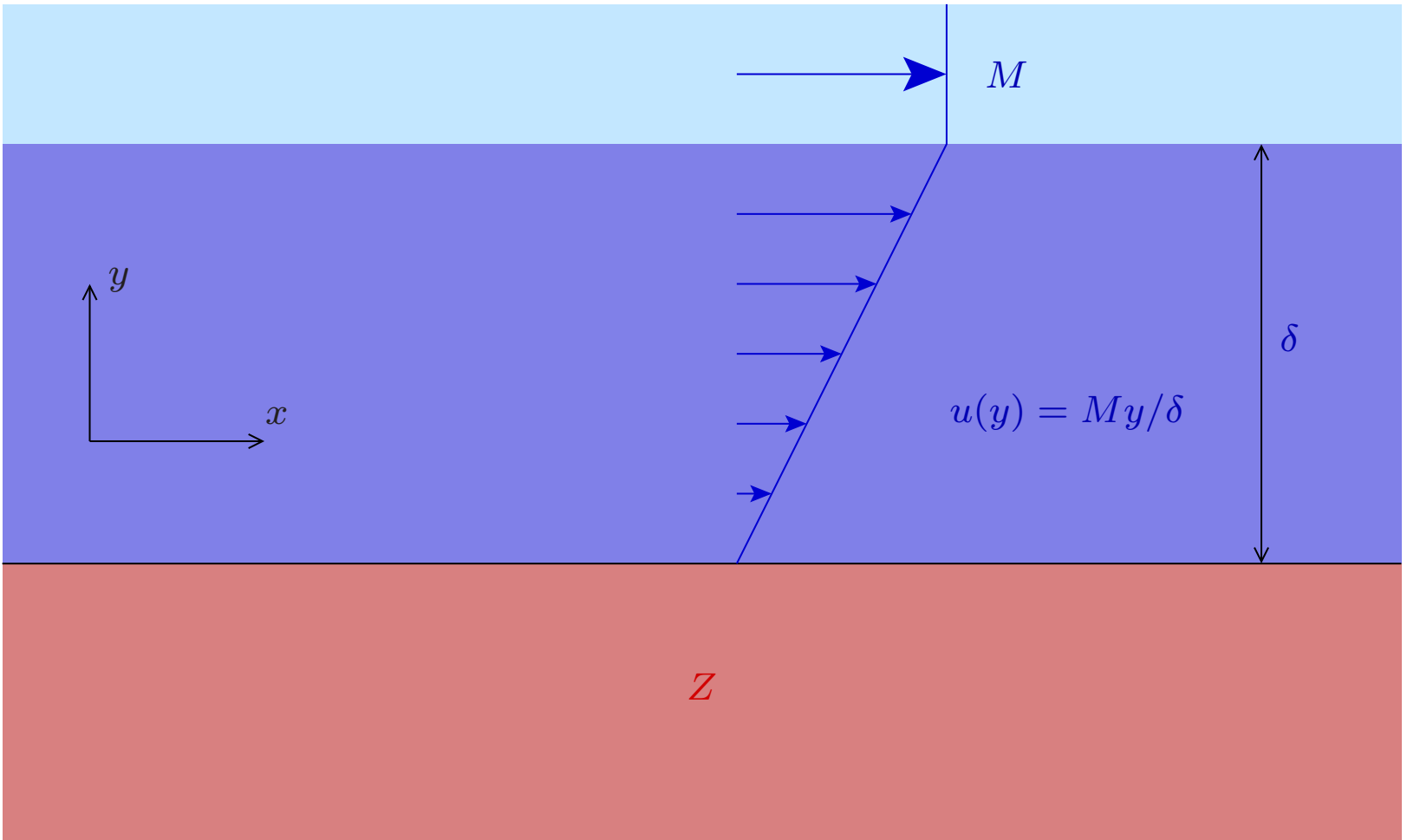
Both figures use the same colour scale:

- Left: Numerics (*entire* domain) for p at time $t = 32$ (64,000 time steps).
- Right: Analytic result for $t = \infty$.

Inviscid boundary condition in the time-domain

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Inviscid boundary condition in the time-domain

- For a linear-velocity constant-density boundary layer,

$$i\omega v = i(\omega - Mk) \frac{p}{Z} + \delta Mk(\omega - \frac{2}{3}Mk) \frac{v}{Z} - \delta Mk^2 u + O(\delta^2)$$

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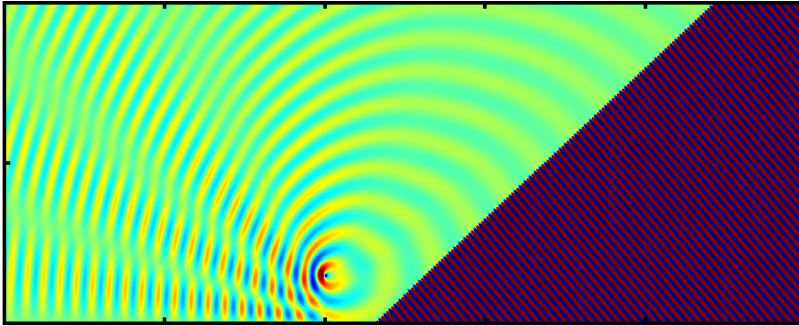
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- Finally, the time-domain boundary condition becomes

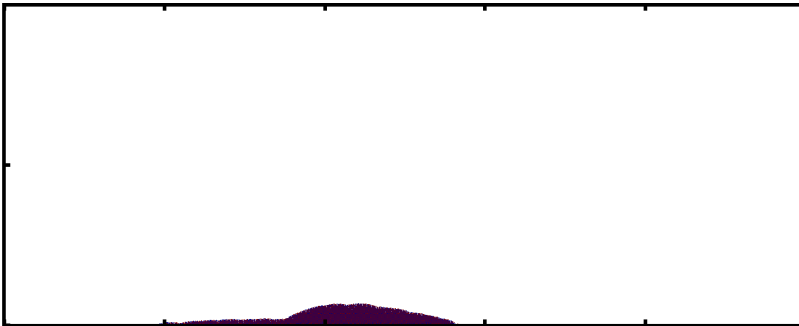
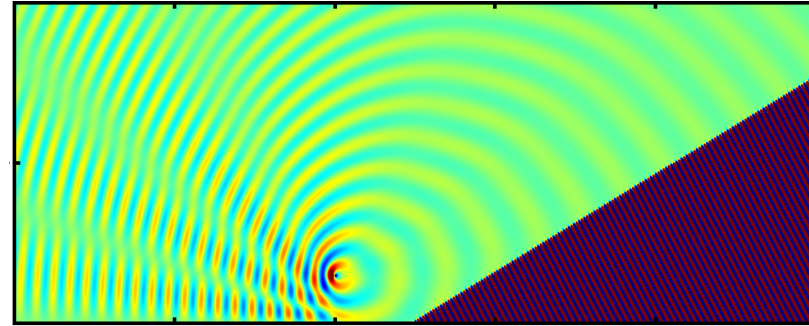
$$\frac{\partial \hat{\nu}}{\partial t} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + M \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \hat{v}_s + \delta M \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{2}{3} M \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \frac{\partial \hat{\nu}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 \hat{u}}{\partial x^2} \right]$$

Comparison

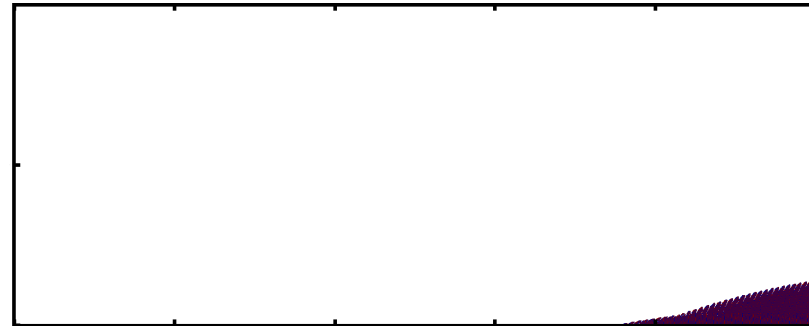
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Numeric $\delta = 0$



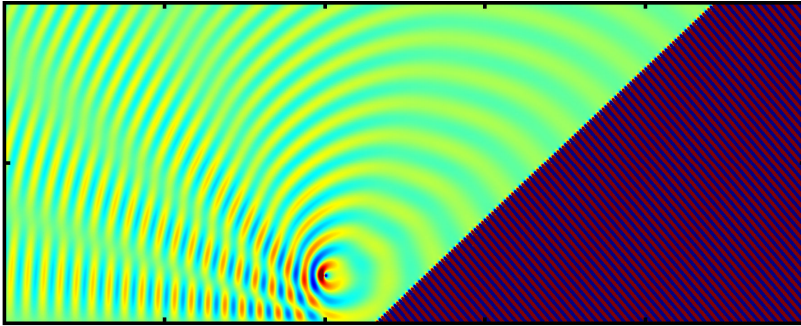
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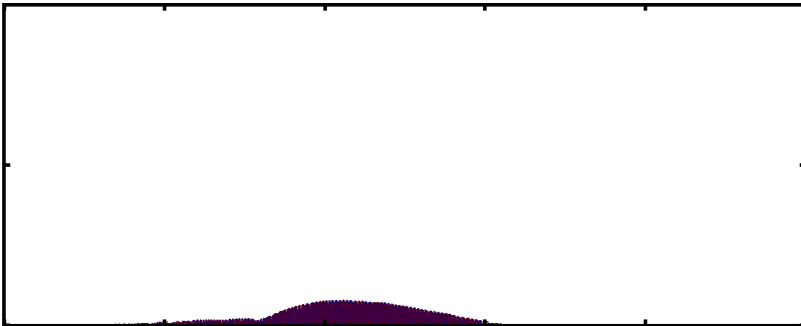
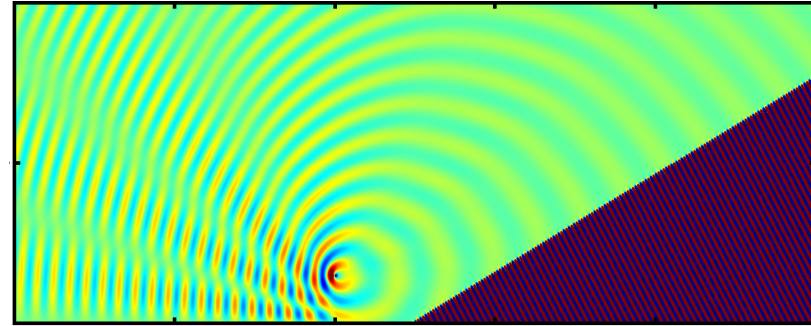
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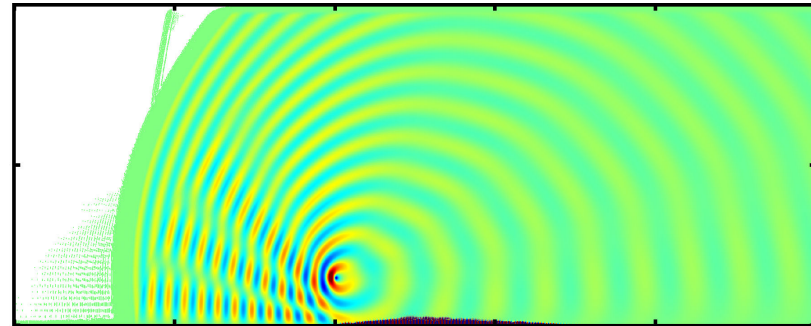
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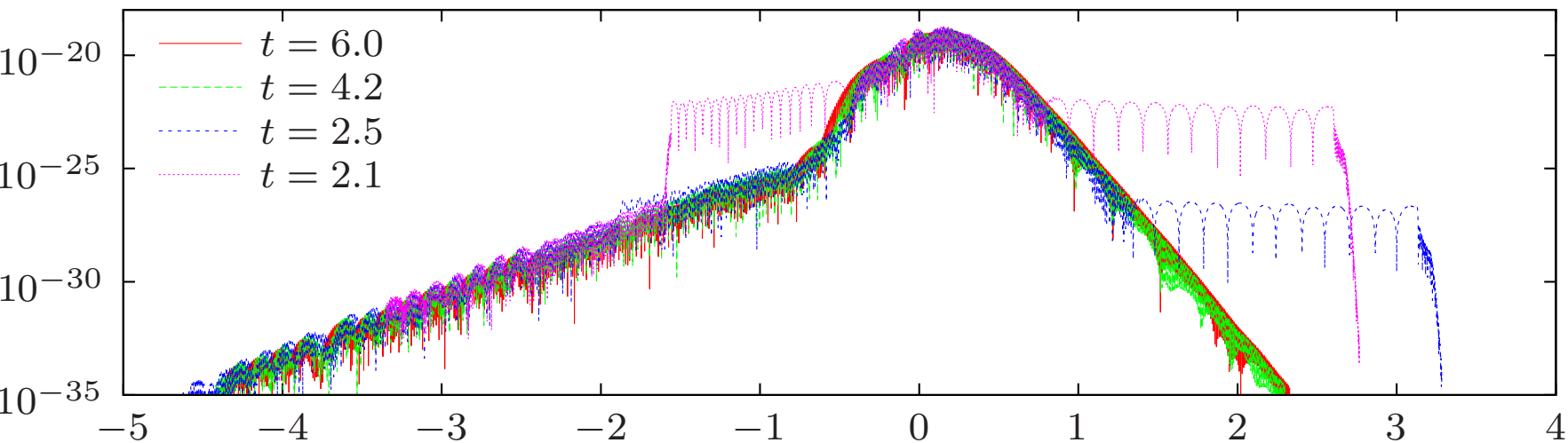


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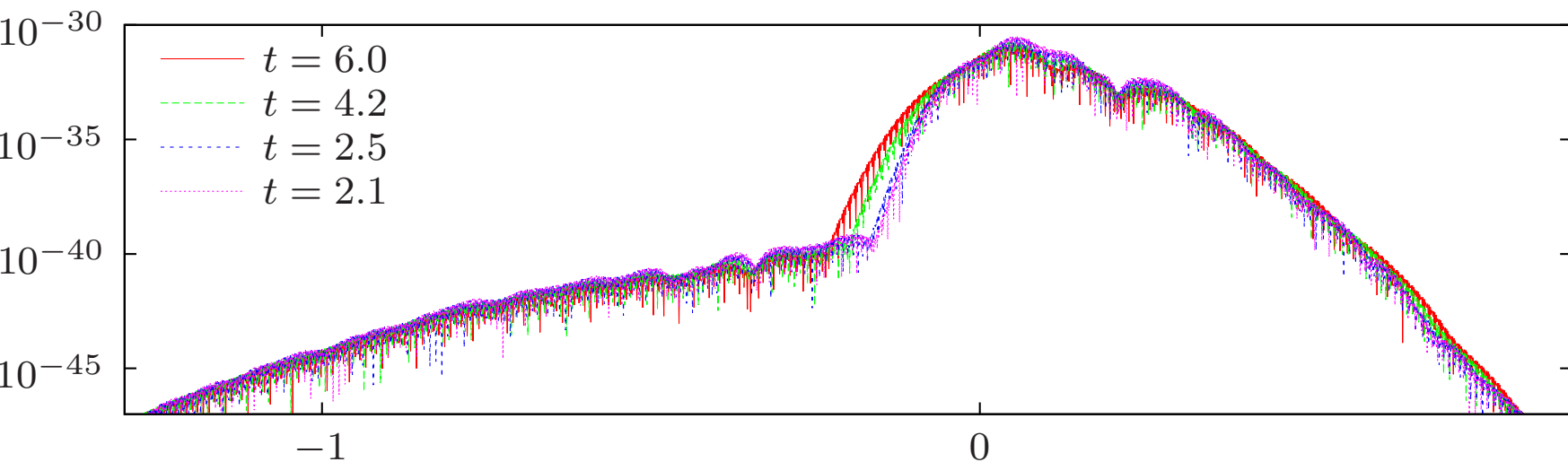
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Temporal evolution of a convecting instability

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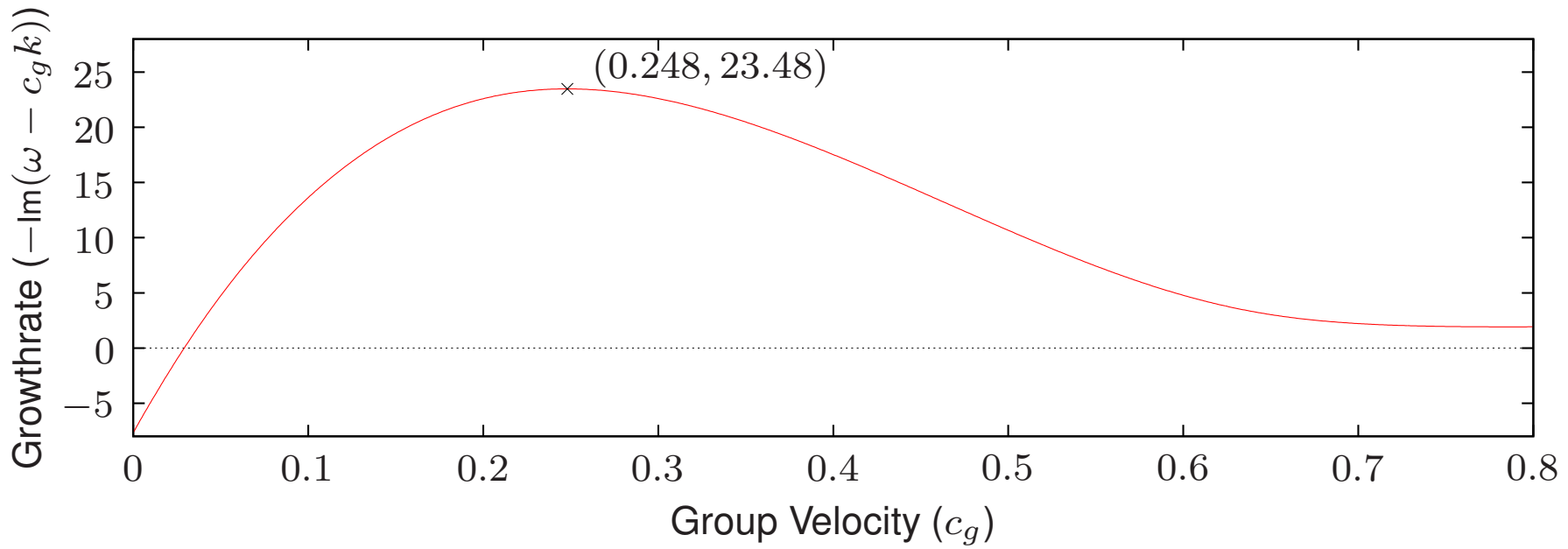


(b) $\delta = 0$, $U = -0.01$, $G = 121$



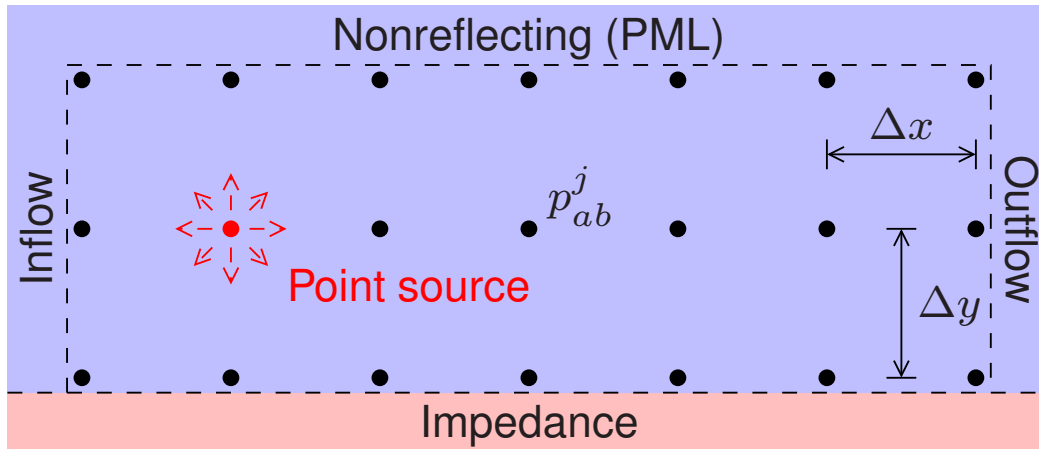
● Plots of $p(x + Ut, 0, t)e^{-Gt}$.

Theoretical predictions of temporal convective instabilities



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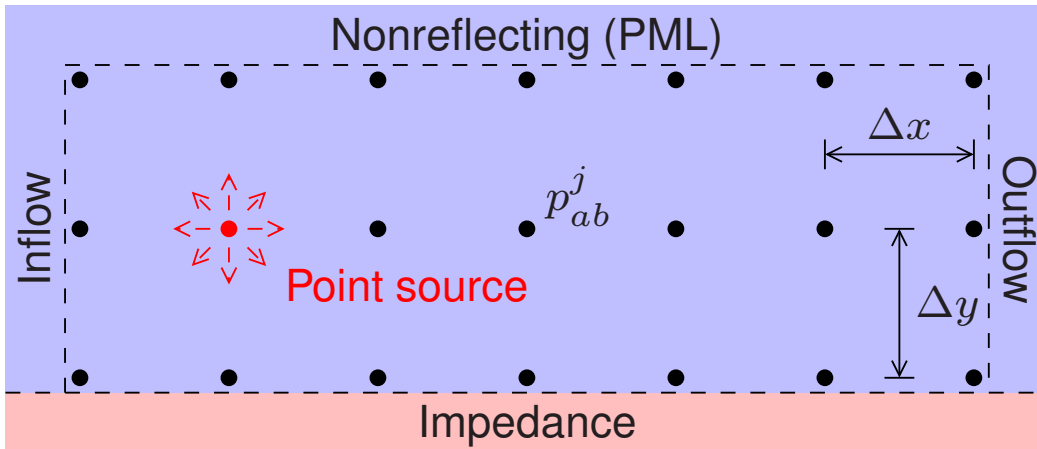
Time-domain numerics



- Discretize in x , y and t : $p_{ab}^j = p(a\Delta x, b\Delta y, j\Delta t)$.
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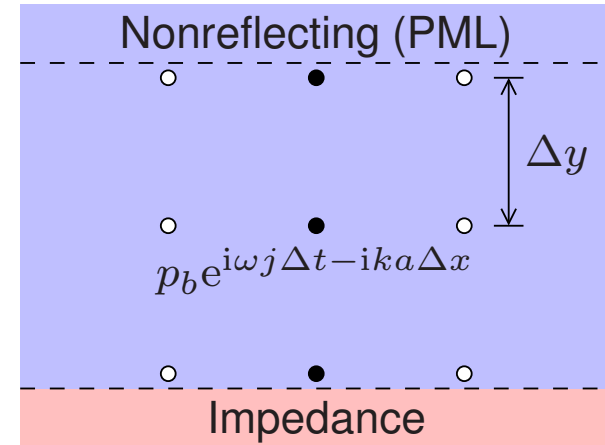
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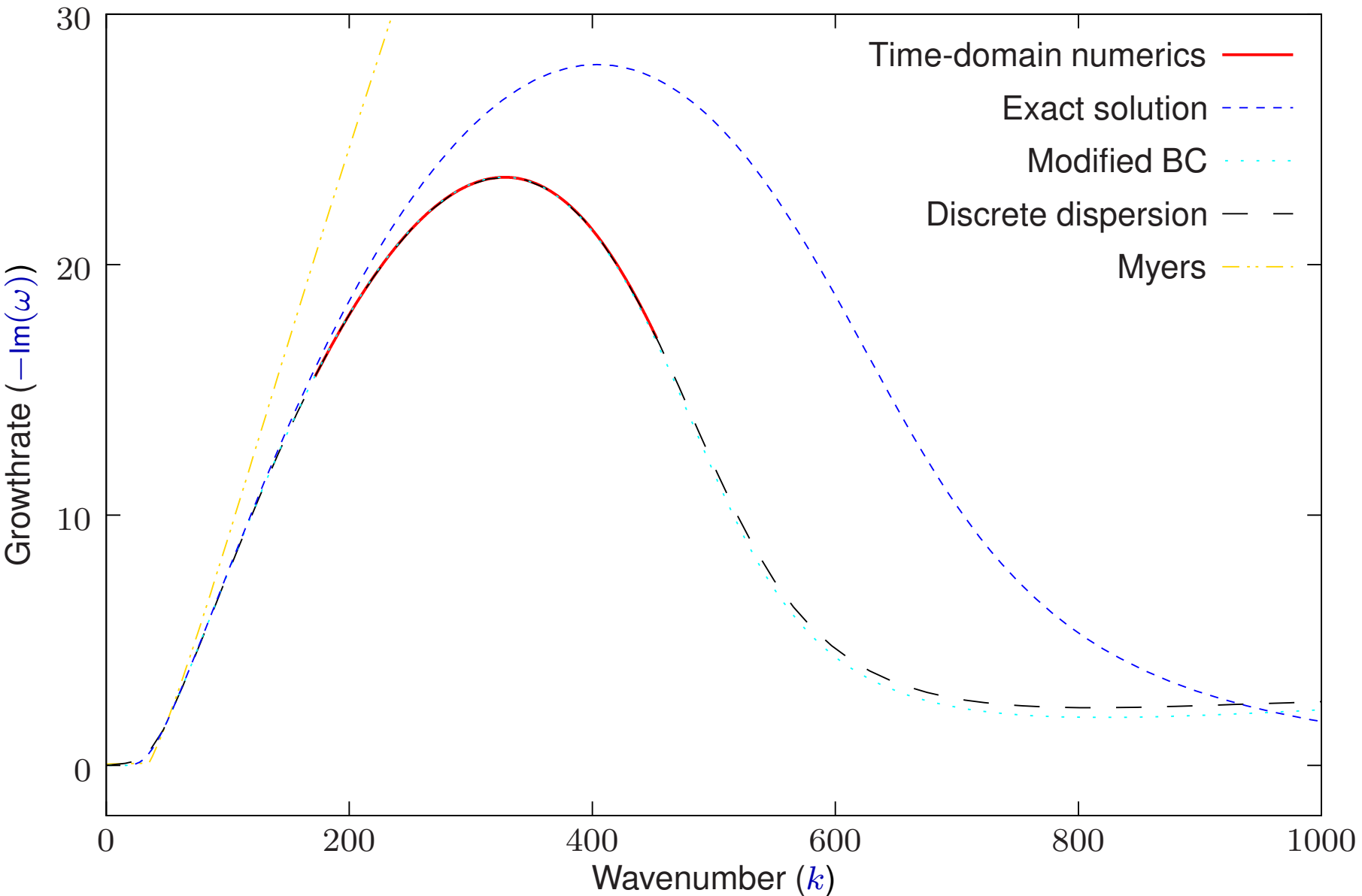
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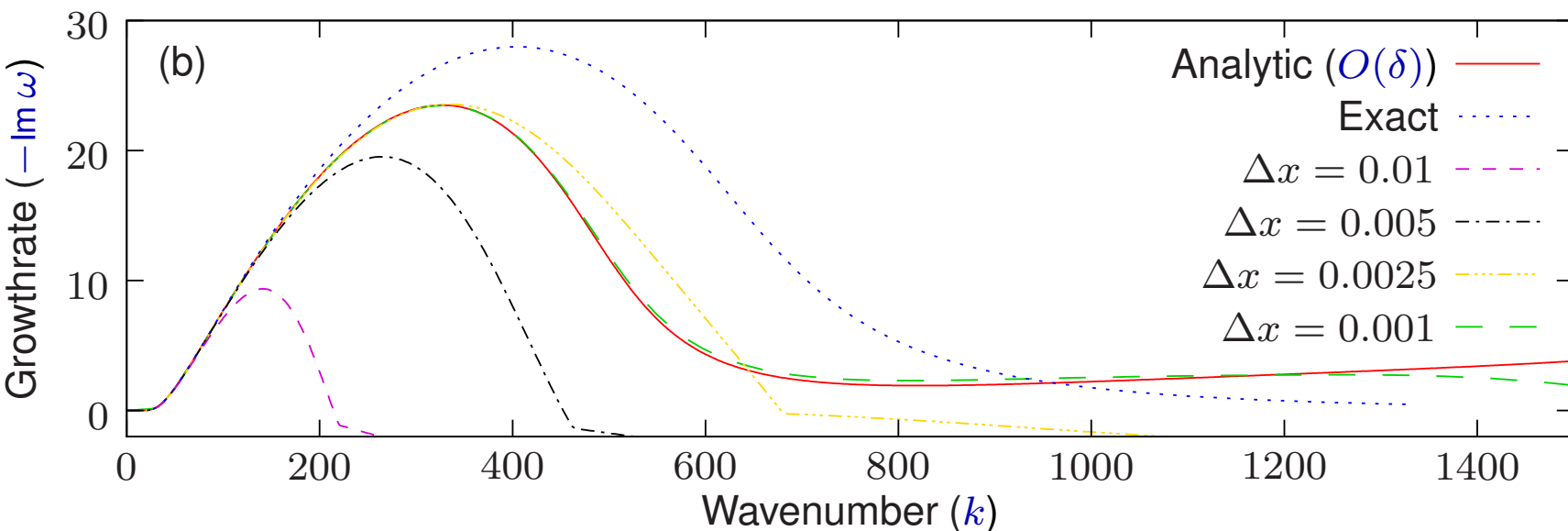
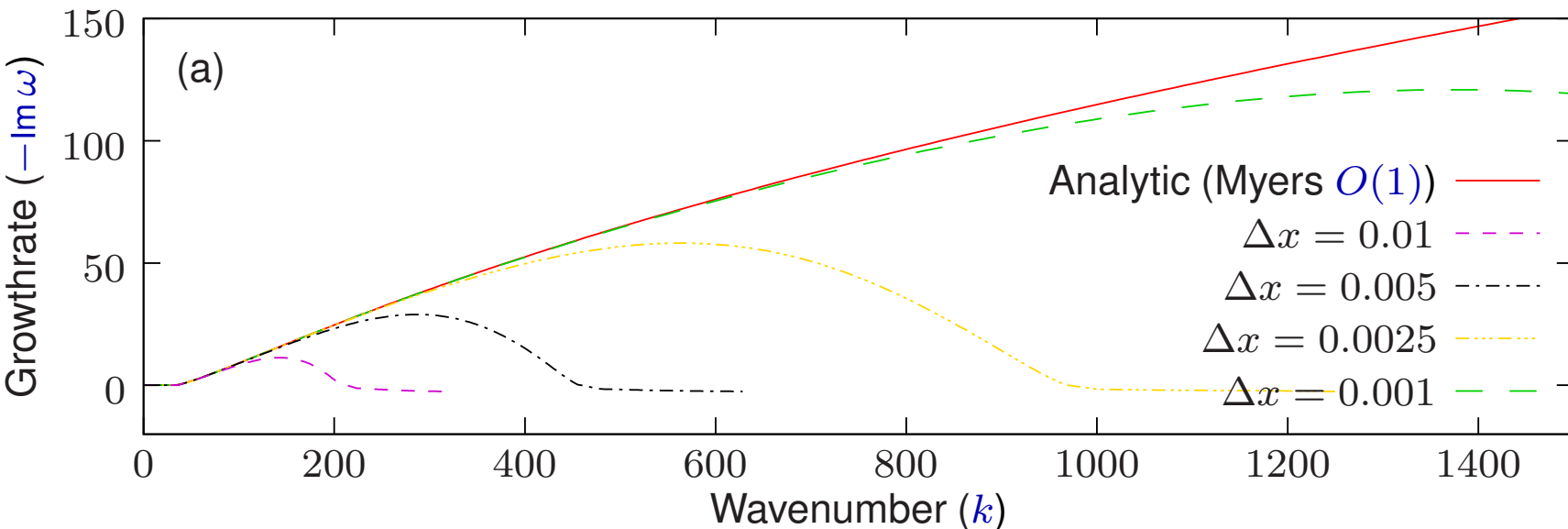


- Discretize in y only.
- Solve an eigenvalue problem for $\omega(k)$ or $k(\omega)$.
- Same governing equation.
- Same spatial derivatives.
- Same temporal evolution.
- Same filtering.
- Same top and bottom boundary conditions.
- No equivalent of inflow or outflow.

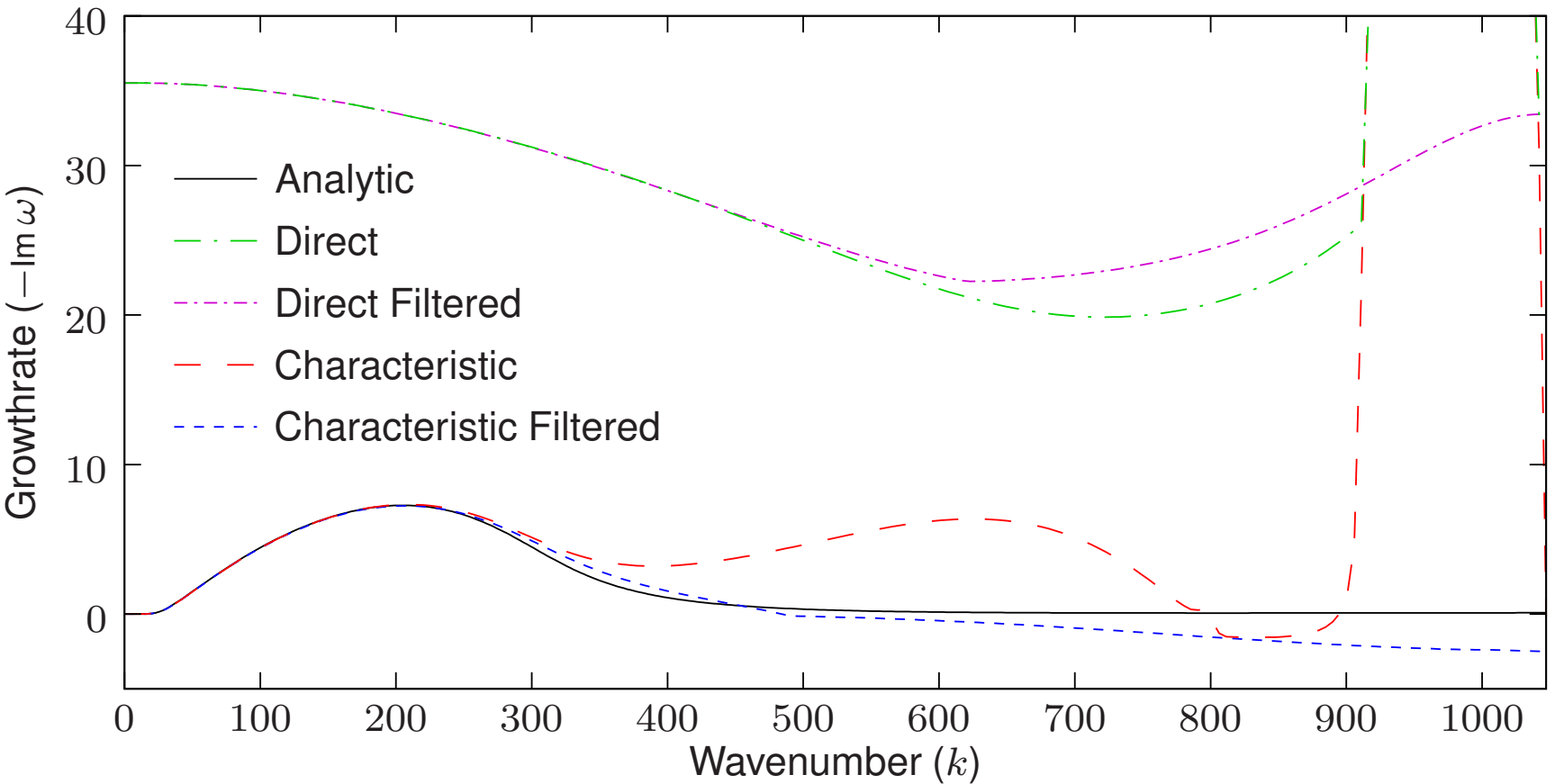
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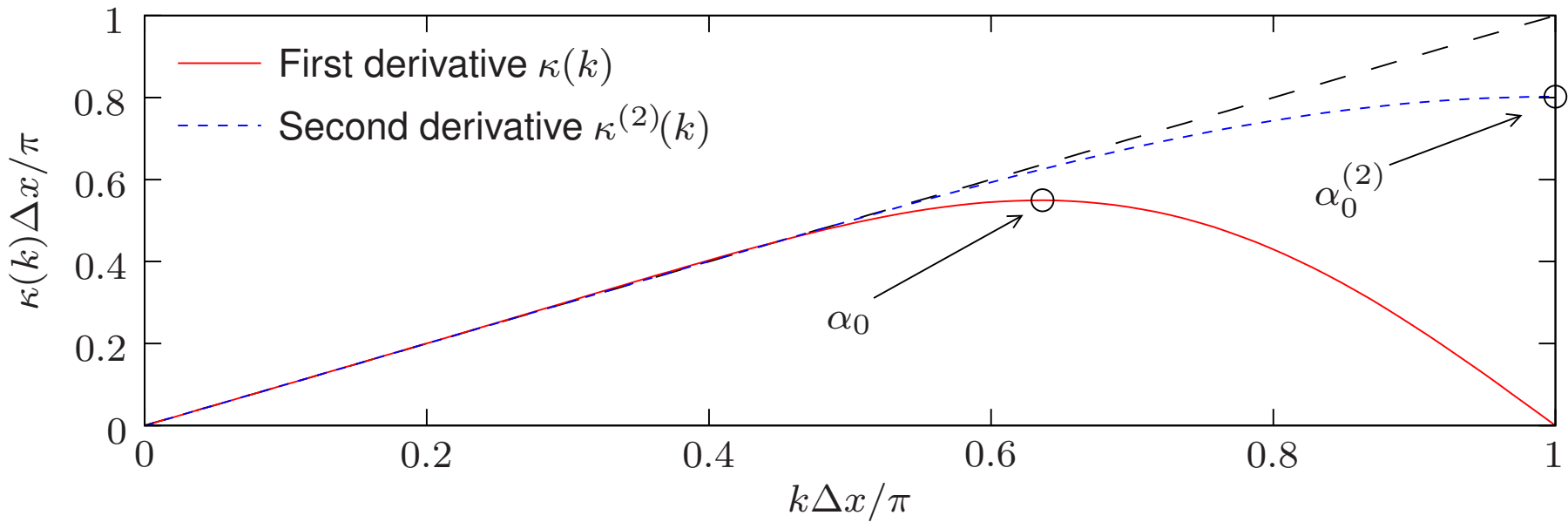
Discrete dispersion analysis for varying grid spacing



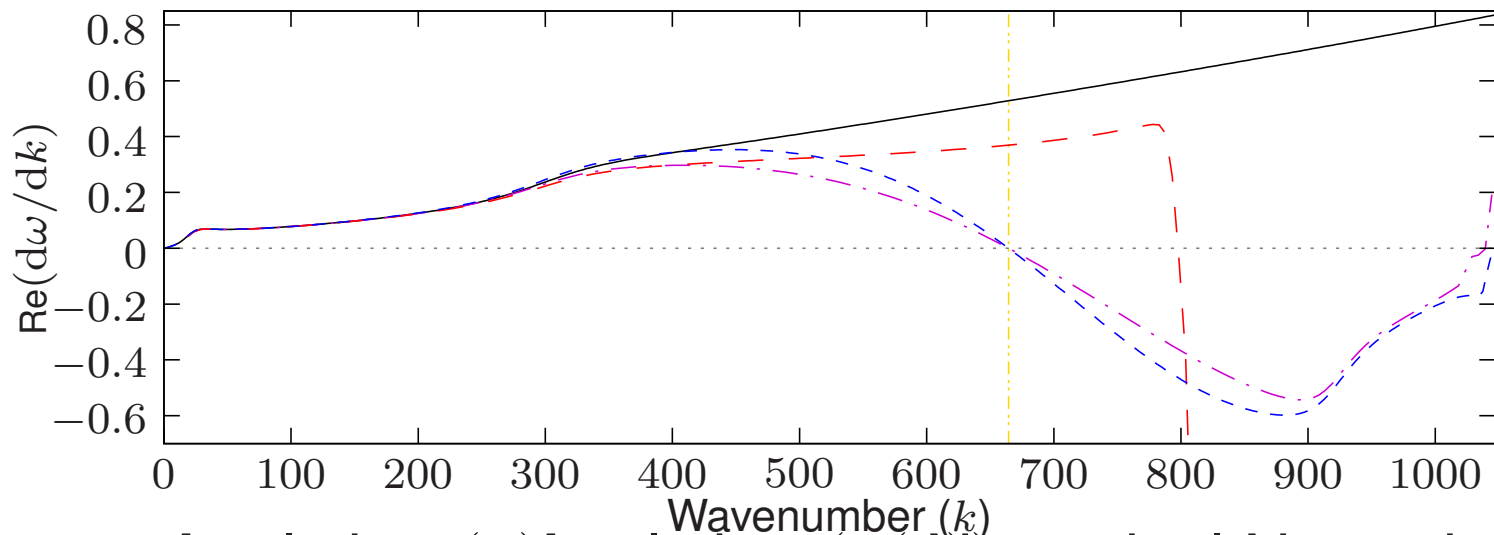
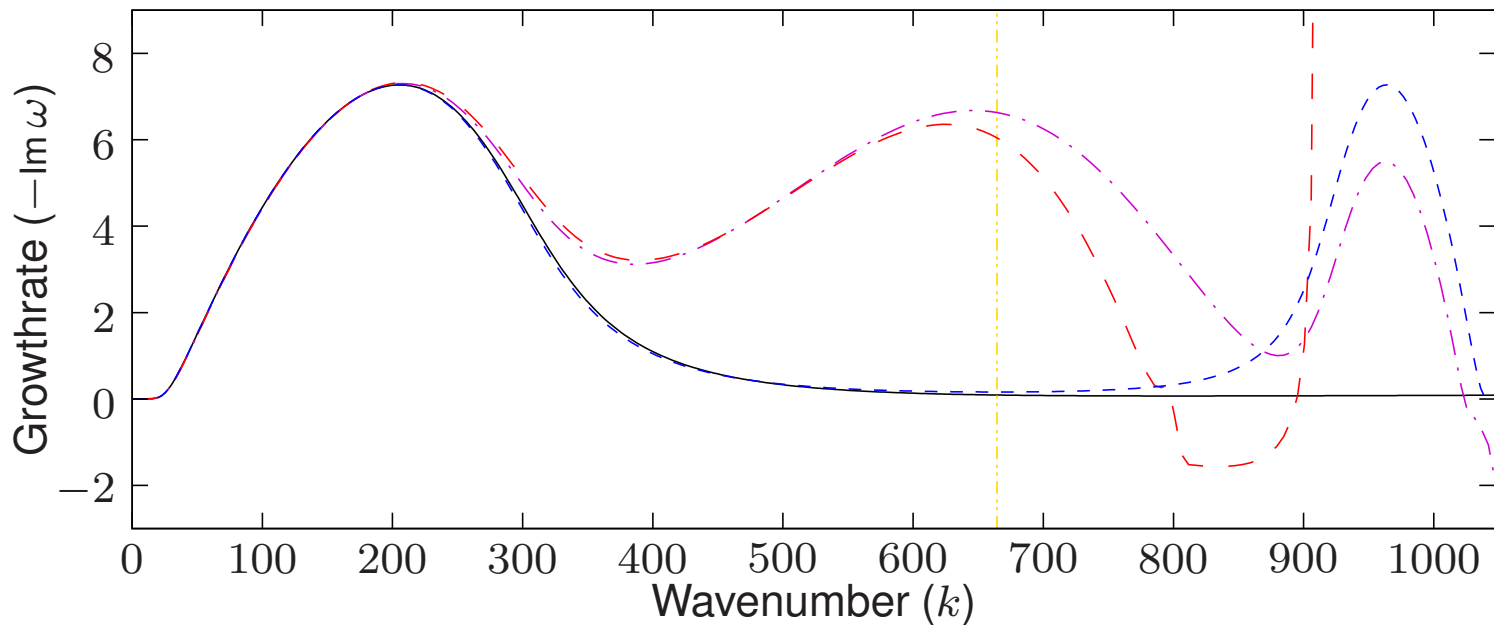
Discrete dispersion and filtering



Artificial zero numerical group velocity

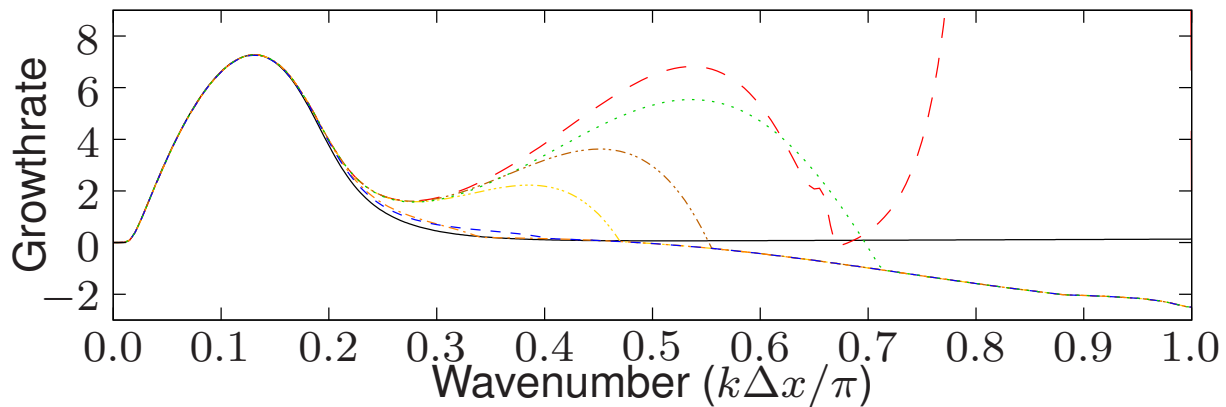
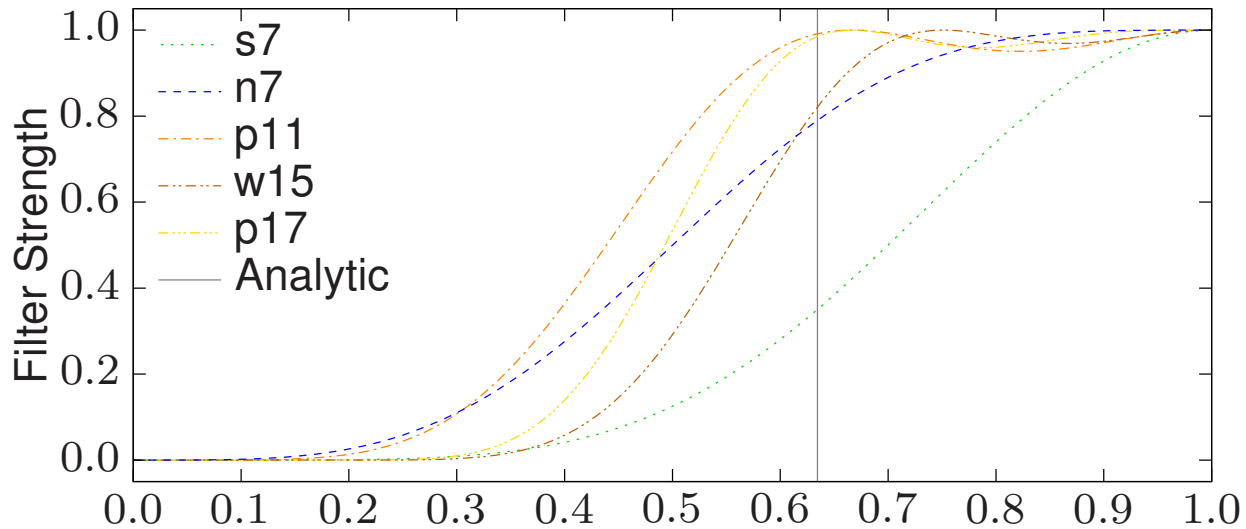


Effect of zero group velocity

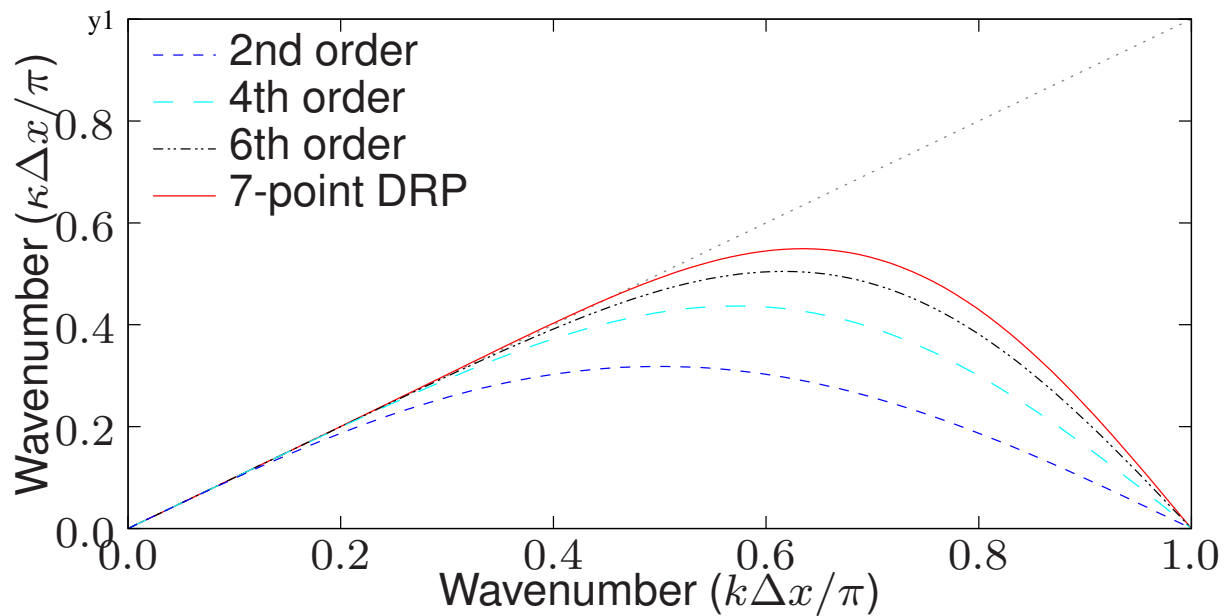
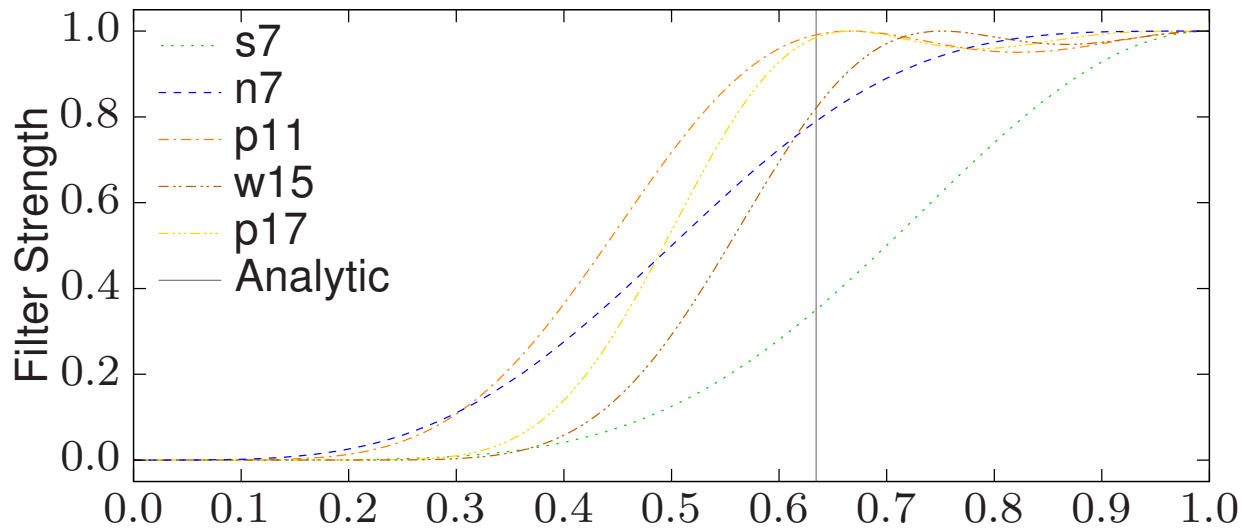


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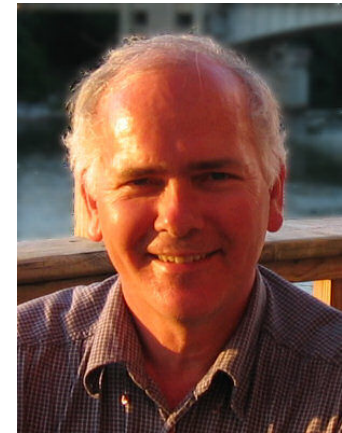
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Conclusions

Optimization of finite differences for constant-amplitude waves gives poor results for non-constant-amplitude waves.

- Open question: can we do better for non-constant-amplitude waves than maximal order?

Getting the numerics correct for unstable linear systems takes great care.

- The artificial zero group velocity combines with convective instability to give absolute instability.

- We can now justify the correct level of filtering necessary to get correct results.

- Attempts at capping growth by including nonlinear terms have so far failed. Why?

Other effects:

- Can we do better by simultaneously designing derivatives and filters?

- What is the effect of the time-stepping used?

Why does this matter?

- Simulation of an actual aircraft engine's acoustics might have regions where instabilities are present, even if overall the solution is bounded.

- Designers would like to use computations to optimize liner effectiveness, correctly avoiding (or including) instability.

- Other simulation techniques (e.g. LES) are too dissipative at present to correctly predict acoustics. (Perturbations of order 10^{-6} are loud!)