“Near-wall modeling for eddy-resolving simulations of turbulent flows.”

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Abstract:
Scale-resolving simulations of turbulent flows are ones which compute the unsteady evolution of turbulent eddies through spatial and temporal resolution. These simulations are gaining traction in industry as high-fidelity tools for the design of energy and transportation systems. In flows with high Reynolds numbers, the cost of scale-resolving simulations is dominated by the resource requirements of resolving near-wall eddies that are nearly universal across applications and thus amendable to modeling. In this seminar, we will discuss new models for these near-wall eddies. The models are applicable to complex engineering geometries and to flows in which compressibility is important. The accuracy of these models will be evaluated and their impact on overall simulation cost will be quantified.

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